Abstract

WSML is a language for modeling Web services, ontologies, and related aspects, and is based on the Web Service Modeling Ontology WSMO. The formal grounding of the language is based on a number of logical formalisms, namely, Description Logics, First-Order Logic and Logic Programming. Besides providing its own language for modeling ontologies, it allows the import and use of RDF Schema and OWL ontologies for Web service description.

This document provides a reference of the features of the WSML language. It is intended for users who want to model web services and ontologies using WSML, and implementers who want to build tools based on the WSML language.

Please note that the current version of WSML specification is not backward compatible with respect to the syntax used to specify annotations descriptions. For more details please see Section 2.2.3.
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1. Introduction

The Web Service Modeling Ontology WSMO [Romano et al., 2005] proposes a conceptual model for the description of Ontologies, Semantic Web services, Goals, and Mediators, providing the conceptual grounding for Ontology and Web service descriptions. The WSML Abstract Syntax and Semantics [de Bruijn, 2007] closely follows the conceptual model of WSMO version 1.3 in presenting the abstract syntax as well as the semantics of WSML. However, it turns out that OWL-S has serious limitations on a conceptual level and also, the abstract to the surface syntax of WSML. Therefore, Appendix A contains a complete list of WSML keywords, as well as references to the sections in the document where these are described. Finally, Appendix D contains the changelog.

Appendix A consists of the formal grammar shared by all WSML variants, as well as a complete integrated example WSML specification to which references are made in the various chapters of this document. Appendix B describes the built-in predicates and datatypes of WSML, as well as a set of infix operators which correspond with particular built-in predicates. Appendix C contains a complete list of WSML keywords, as well as references to the sections in the document where these are described. Finally, Appendix D contains the changelog.

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Chapter 2 describes the general WSML modeling elements, as well as syntax basics, such as the use of namespaces and the basic vocabulary of the languages. Further chapters define the restrictions imposed by the different WSML variants on this general syntax. Chapter 3 describes WSML-Core, which is the least expressive of the WSML variants. WSML-Core is based on the intersection of Description Logics and Logic Programming and can thus function as the basic interoperability layer between both paradigms. Chapter 4 presents WSML-DL, which is an extension of WSML-Core. WSML-DL is a full-blown Description Logic and offers similar expressive power to OWL-DL [Patel-Schneider et al., 2004]. Chapter 5 describes WSML-Flight, which is an extension of WSML-Core in the direction of Logic Programming. WSML-Flight is a more powerful language and offers more expressive modeling constructs than WSML-Core. The extension described by WSML-Flight is disjoint from the extension described by WSML-DL. Chapter 6 describes WSML-Rule, which is a full-blown Logic Programming language. WSML-Rule allows the use of function symbols and does not require rule safety. It is an extension of WSML-Flight and thus it offers the same kind of conceptual modeling features. Finally, Chapter 7 presents WSML-Full which is a superset of both WSML-Rule and WSML-DL. WSML-Full can be seen as a notational variant of First-Order Logic with nonmonotonic extensions.

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The WSML variants are described in terms of their normative human-readable language in PART II. Although this syntax has been formally specified in [de Bruijn, 2007], as well as in the form of a grammar (see also Appendix A), there are limitations with respect to the exchange of the syntax over the Web. Therefore three syntaxes for WSML were developed, namely XML, RDF and OWL. The XML exchange syntax for WSML, defined in [Toma, 2008], is the preferred syntax for the exchange of WSML specifications between machines. The RDF syntax of WSML, defined in [de Bruijn, 2006], can be used by RDF-based applications and finally a mapping between WSML and OWL ontologies is discussed in [de Bruijn, 2007] and in [Steinmetz, 2008] in order to allow interoperability with OWL-based applications. This section provides pointers to external documents containing these syntaxes.

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Figure 1 shows the different variants of WSML and the relationship between the variants. In the figure, an arrow stands for "extension in the direction of". The variants differ in the logical expressiveness they offer and in the underlying language paradigm. By offering these variants, we allow users to make the trade-off between the provided expressivity and the implied complexity on a per-application basis.

As can be seen from the figure, the basic language WSML-Core is extended in two directions, namely, Description Logics (WSML-DL) and Logic Programming (WSML-Flight, WSML-Rule). WSML-Rule and WSML-DL are both extended to a full First-Order Logic with nonmonotonic extensions (WSML-Full), which unifies both paradigms.

WSML-Core
This language is defined by the intersection of Description Logic and Horn Logic, based on Description Logic Programs [Grosof et al., 2003]. It has the least expressive power of all the languages of the WSML family and therefore has the most preferable computational characteristics. The main features of the language are the support for modeling classes, attributes, binary relations and instances. Furthermore, the language supports class hierarchies, as well as relation hierarchies. WSML-Core provides support for datatypes and datatype predicates [2]. WSML-Core is based on the intersection of Description Logics and Datalog, corresponding to the DLP fragment [Grosof et al., 2003].

WSML-DL
This language is an extension of WSML-Core which fully captures the Description Logic SHIQ(D), which captures a major part of the (DL species of the) Web Ontology Language OWL [Dean & Schreiber, 2004].

WSML-Flight
This language is an extension of WSML-Core with such features as meta-modeling, constraints and nonmonotonic negation. WSML-Flight is based on a logic programming variant of F-Logic [Kifer et al., 1995] and is semantically equivalent to Datalog with inequality and (locally) stratified negation. As such, WSML-Flight provides a powerful rule language.

WSML-Rule
This language is an extension of WSML-Flight in the direction of Logic Programming. The language captures several extensions such as the use of function symbols and unsafe rules.

WSML-Full
WSML-Full unifies WSML-DL and WSML-Rule under a First-Order umbrella with extensions to support the nonmonotonic negation of WSML-Rule. It is yet to be investigated which kind of formalisms are required to achieve this. Possible formalisms are Default Logic, Circumscription, and Autoepistemic Logic.

As can be seen from Figure 2, WSML has two alternative layerings, namely, WSML-Core -> WSML-DL -> WSML-Full and WSML-Core - > WSML-Flight -> WSML-Rule -> WSML-Full. In both layerings, WSML-Core is the least expressive and WSML-Full is the most expressive language. The two layerings are to a certain extent disjoint in the sense that interoperation between the Description Logic variant (WSML-DL) on the one hand and the Logic Programming variants (WSML-Flight and WSML-Rule) on the other, is only possible through a common core (WSML-Core) or through a very expressive (undecidable) superset (WSML-Full). However, there are proposals which allow interoperation between the two while retaining decidability of the satisfiability problem, either by reducing the expressiveness of one of the two paradigms, thereby effectively adding the expressiveness of one of the two paradigms to the intersection (cf. [Levy & Rousset, 1998]) or by reducing the interface between the two paradigms and reason with both paradigms independently (cf. [Eiter et al., 2004]).

The only languages currently specified in this document are WSML-Core, WSML-Flight and WSML-Rule. WSML-DL will correspond (semantically) with the Description Logic SHIQ(Dn), extended with more extensive datatype support.
In the descriptions in the subsequent chapters we use fragments of the WSML grammar (see Appendix A.1 for the full grammar) in order to show the syntax of the WSML elements. The grammar is specified using a dialect of Extended BNF which can be used directly in the SableCC compiler compiler [SableCC]. Terminals are delimited with single quotes, non-terminals are underlined and refer to the corresponding productions. Alternatives are separated using vertical bars ‘|’; optional elements are appended with a question mark ‘?’; elements that may occur zero or more times are appended with an asterisk ‘*’; elements that may occur one or more times are appended with a plus ‘+’. In the case of multiple references to the same non-terminal in a production, the non-terminals are disambiguated by using labels of the form ‘[label]’. In order to keep the descriptions in this Part concise, we do not fully describe all non-terminals. Non-terminals are linked to the grammar in Appendix A.

Throughout the WSML examples in the following chapters, we use boldfaced text to distinguish WSML keywords.
2 WSML Syntax

In this chapter we introduce the WSML syntax. The general WSML syntax captures all features of all WSML variants and thus corresponds with the syntax for WSML-Full. Subsequent chapters will define restrictions on this syntax for the specification of specific WSML variants.

The WSML syntax consists of two major parts: the conceptual syntax and the logical expression syntax. The conceptual syntax is used for the modeling of ontologies, goals, web services and mediators; these are the elements of the WSMO conceptual model. Logical expressions are used to refine these definitions using a logical language.

A WSML document has the following structure:

```
wsml = wsmlyvariant?  namespace?  definition*
definition = goal
               | ontology
               | webservice
               | mediator
               | capability
               | interface
```

This chapter is structured as follows. The WSML syntax basics, such as the use of namespaces, identifiers, etc., are described in Section 2.1. The elements in common between all WSML specifications are described in Section 2.2. WSML ontologies are described in Section 2.3. The elements shared between goals and web services, namely, capabilities and interfaces, are described in Section 2.4. Goals, mediators and web services are described in Sections 2.5, 2.6 and 2.7, respectively. Finally, the WSML logical expression syntax is specified in Section 2.8.

2.1 WSML Syntax Basics

The conceptual syntax for WSML has a frame-like style. The information about a class and its attributes, a relation and its parameters and an instance and its attribute values is specified in one large syntactic construct, instead of being divided into a number of atomic chunks. It is possible to spread the information about a particular class, relation, instance or axiom over several constructs, but we do not recommend this. In fact, in this respect, WSML is similar to OIL [Fensel et al., 2001], which also offers the possibility of either grouping descriptions together in frames or spreading the descriptions throughout the document. One important difference with OIL (and OWL) is that attributes are defined locally to a class and should in principle not be used outside of the context of that class and its subclasses.

Nonetheless, attribute names are global and it is possible to specify global behavior of attributes through logical expressions. However, we do not expect this to be necessary in the general case and we strongly advise against it. In case one needs to model a property which is independent of the concept definition, this property is most likely a relation rather than an attribute and thus should be modeled as a relation.

It is often possible to specify a list of arguments, for example for attributes. Such argument lists in WSML are separated by commas and surrounded by curly brackets. Statements in WSML start with a keyword and can be spread over multiple lines.

A WSML specification is separated into two parts. The first part provides meta-information about the specification, which consists of such things as WSML variant identification, namespace references, annotations, import of ontologies, references to mediators used and the type of the specification. This meta-information block is strictly ordered. The second part of the specification, consisting of elements such as concepts, attributes, relations (in the case of an ontology specification), capability, interfaces (in the case of a goal or web service specification), etc., is not ordered.

The remainder of this section explains the use of namespaces, identifiers and datatypes in WSML, and finally the use of MIME types for WSML specifications. Subsequent sections explain the different kinds of WSML specifications and the WSML logical expression syntax.

2.1.1 Namespaces in WSML

Namespaces were first introduced in XML [XML-NAMESPACES-1.1] for the purpose of qualifying names which originate from different XML documents. In XML, each qualified name consists of a tuple <namespace, localname>. RDF [RDF] adopts the mechanism of namespaces from XML with the difference that qualified names are not treated as tuples, but rather as abbreviations for full URIs.

WSML adopts the namespace mechanism of RDF. A namespace can be seen as part of an IRI (see the next Section).

Namespaces can be used to syntactically distinguish elements of multiple WSML specifications and, more generally, resources on the Web. A namespace denotes a syntactical domain for naming resources.

Whenever a WSML specification has a specific identifier which corresponds to a Web address, it is good practice to have a relevant document on the location pointed to by the identifier. This can either be the WSML document itself or a natural language document related to the WSML document. Note that the identifier of an ontology does not have to coincide with the location of the ontology. It is good practice, however, to include a related document, possibly pointing to the WSML specification itself, at the location pointed to by the identifier.

2.1.2 Identifiers in WSML

An identifier in WSML is either a data value, an IRI [Duerst & Suingard, 2005] or an anonymous ID. Additionally a new kind of identifiers have been introduced, namely variables which might be used in the conceptual syntax only in nonFunctionalProperties block definition or in the sharedVariables block.

Data values

WSML has direct support for different types of concrete data, namely, strings, integers and decimals, which correspond to the XML Schema [Biron & Malhotra, 2004] primitive datatypes string, integer and decimal. These concrete values can then be used to construct more complex datatypes, corresponding to other XML Schema primitive and derived datatypes, using datatype constructor functions. See also Appendix C.
To construct data values, WSML uses datatype wrappers. Datatype wrappers are IRIs used to define data types based on the XML Schema datatypes. Each datatype wrapper has a name and a set of arguments. The name of a datatype wrapper corresponds to the IRI of the datatype. The use of such datatype wrappers gives more control over the structure of the data values than the lexical representation of XML. For example, the date: 3rd of February, 2005, which can be written in XML as: '2005-02-03', is written in WSML as: `xsd#date(2005,2,3)`.

The arguments of a datatype wrapper can be strings, integers, decimals or variables. No other arguments are allowed for such data terms. Each conforming WSML implementation is required to support at least the `string`, `integer` and `decimal` datatypes.

The WSML surface syntax allows, but discourages, to use a shortcut syntax for the datatype wrappers, e.g. `_integer` is short for `xsd#integer` (which is the Compact URI corresponding to the IRI `http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#integer`); a shortcut syntax is a legacy feature.

Datatype identifiers manifest themselves in WSML in two distinct ways, namely, as concept identifiers and as datatype wrappers. A datatype wrapper is used as a data structure for capturing the different components of data values. Datatype identifiers can also be used directly as concept identifiers. Note however that the domain of interpretation of any datatype is finite and that asserting membership of a datatype for a value which does not in fact belong to this datatype, leads to an inconsistency in the knowledge base.

Examples of data values:

- `xsd#date(2005,3,12)`
- `xsd#boolean("true")`

The following are example attribute definitions which restrict the range of the attribute to a particular datatype:

```xml
<attribute name="age">
  <has-type>xsd#integer</has-type>
  <has-children-of-type>xsd#boolean</has-children-of-type>
</attribute>
```

WSML allows the following syntactical shortcuts for particular datatypes:

- Data values of type `string` can be written between double quotes `""`. Double quotes inside a string should be escaped using the backslash (\`) character: `\"`.
- Integer values can simply be written as such. Thus an integer of the form `integer` is a shortcut for `xsd#integer("integer")`. For example, 4 is a shortcut for `xsd#integer("4")`.
- Decimal values can simply be written as such, using the `.` as decimal symbols. Thus a literal of the form `decimal` is a shortcut for `xsd#decimal("decimal")`. For example, 4.2 is a shortcut for `xsd#decimal("4.2")`.

```
integer = ^? digit+
decimal = ^? digit+ "" digit+
string = "" string content "" not escape_char

Appendix C lists the built-in predicates which any conforming WSML application must be able to support, as well as the infix notation which serves as a shortcut for the built-ins.

A data value identifier can be either a simple datavalue, i.e. an `integer`, a `decimal` or a `string`, or it can be a constructed datavalue, where a `constructeddatavalue` corresponds to a datatype wrapper.

```
datavalue = simpeldatavalue
constructeddatavalue
datavalue = simpeldatavalue
datavalue = simpeldatavalue ( ', ' simpeldatavalue )
simpeldatavalue = integer
decimal
string

constructeddatavalue = in ( ' ' datavalue ' ' )
```

Internationalized Resource Identifiers

The IRI (Internationalized Resource Identifier) [Duerst & Suignard, 2005] mechanism provides a way to identify resources. IRIs may point to resources on the Web (in which case the IRI can start with 'http://'), but this is not necessary (e.g. books can be identified through IRIs starting with 'urn:isbn:'). The IRI proposed standard is a successor to the popular URI standard. In fact, every URI is an IRI.

An IRI can be abbreviated to a Compact URI. Such a Compact URI is similar to the qualified Name 'QName' in XML. After its introduction in XML [Bray et al., 2004], the term 'QName' has been used with different meanings. The meaning of the term 'QName' as defined in XML got blurred after the adoption of the term in RDF. In XML, QNames are simply used to qualify local names and thus every name is a tuple <namespace, localname>. In RDF, QNames have become abbreviations for IRIs, which is different from the meaning in XML. WSML adopts a view similar to the RDF-like version of QNames, but due to its deviation from the original definition in XML we call them 'Compact URIs'.

A Compact URI consists of two parts, namely, the namespace prefix and the local part. A Compact URI is written using a namespace prefix and a localname, separated by a hash [#]: `namespace_prefix#localname`.

A Compact URI is equivalent to the IRI which is obtained by concatenating the namespace IRI (to which the prefix refers) with the local part of the Compact URI. Therefore, a Compact URI can be seen as an abbreviation for an IRI which enhances the legibility of the specification. If a Compact URI has no prefix, the namespace of the Compact URI is the default namespace of the document, except for attribute identifiers. The namespace of an attribute identifier with no prefix is the namespace of the concept type or the instance definition within which it appears. Note: In case the default namespace is not defined or a prefix used in a Compact URI cannot be resolved, the WSML specification is not well formed.

IRIs are Unicode strings which are valid absolute IRIs according to [Duerst & Suignard, 2005] delimited with the symbols ‘ ’ and ‘ ’.
For convenience, a Compact URI does not require special delimiters. Any Compact URI contains a namespace prefix. Namespace prefixes may not coincide with any WSML keywords. The characters `\` and `-` in a Compact URI need to be escaped using the backslash (`\`) character.

```
full_iri = `"" iri reference `"`
compactURI = (name `#`)? name
iri = full_iri
```

**Examples of full IRIs in WSML:**

```
"http://example.org/PersonOntology#Human"
"http://www.ubik.ac.at/
```

Examples of Compact URIs in WSML (with corresponding full IRIs; 'dc' stands for http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1#, 'foaf' stands for http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/ and 'xsd' stands for http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#; we assume the default namespace http://example.org/#):

- `dc#title (http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1#title)`
- `foaf#name (http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/name)`
- `xsd#string (http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#string)`
- `Person (http://example.org/#Person)`
- `hasChild (http://example.org/#hasChild)`

Please note that the IRI of a resource does not necessarily correspond to a document on the Web. Therefore, we distinguish between the *identifier* and the *locator* of a resource. The locator of a resource is an IRI which can be mapped to a location from which the (information about the) resource can be retrieved.

**Anonymous Identifiers**

An anonymous identifier represents an IRI which is meant to be globally unique. Global uniqueness is to be ensured by the system interpreting the WSML description (instead of the author of the specification). It can be used whenever the concrete identifier to be used to denote an object is not relevant, but when we require the identifier to be new (i.e. not used anywhere else in the WSML description).

Anonymous identifiers in WSML follow the naming convention for anonymous IDs presented in [Yang & Kifer, 2003]. Unnumbered anonymous IDs are denoted with `_#`. Each occurrence of `_#` denotes a new anonymous ID and different occurrences of `_#` are unrelated. Thus each occurrence of an unnumbered anonymous ID can be seen as a new unique identifier.

Numbered anonymous IDs are denoted with `_#n` where `n` stands for an integer denoting the number of the anonymous ID. The use of numbered anonymous IDs is limited to logical expressions and can therefore not be used to denote entities in the conceptual syntax. Multiple occurrences of the same numbered anonymous ID within the same logical expression are interpreted as denoting the same object.

```
anonymous = `_#`
nb_anonymous = `_#` digit+
```

Take as an example the following logical expressions:

```
_#(a hasValue _#1) and _#1 memberOf b.
_#1(a hasValue _#) and _# memberOf _#.
```

There are in total three occurrences of unnumbered anonymous IDs. All occurrences are unrelated. Thus, the second logical expression does not state that an object is a member of itself, but rather that some anonymous object is a member of some other anonymous object. The two occurrences of `_#1` in the first logical expression denote the same object. Thus the value of attribute `a` is a member of `b`.

The occurrence of `_#1` in the second logical expression is, however, not related to the occurrence of `_#1` in the first logical expression.

The use of an identifier in the specification of the WSML elements `ontology, goal, web service, mediator, capability, interface, import ontologies, used mediators, sources of mediators, targets of mediators, services used by mediators, choreography and orchestration` is optional. If no identifier is specified, the following rule applies: the identifier is assumed to be the same as the locator of the specification, i.e. the location where the specification was found.

Note that anonymous identifiers are disallowed for the top-level elements, namely `ontology, goal, webService, ooMediator, ggMediator, import ontologies, used mediators, sources of mediators, targets of mediators, services used by mediators, choreography and orchestration`.
attributes.

Invalid identifiers

Note that whenever in place of an identifier a symbol is used which is not a valid identifier, the document is not a valid WSML document. Examples include Compact URIs with undefined namespace prefixes and invalid data values.

Variables

Variables are a new kind of identifiers which are used in defining WSML logical expressions (see Section Section 2.8).

Variable names start with an initial question mark, "?". Variables may occur in place of concepts, attributes, instances, relation arguments or attribute values. A variable may not, however, replace a WSML keyword.

Variables may only be used inside of logical expressions, as values in non-functional properties block definitions (see Section Section 2.4.3) or in the sharedVariables block within capability definitions (see Section Section 2.4.1).

The scope of a variable is always defined by its quantification. If a variable is not quantified inside a formula, the variable is implicitly universally quantified outside the formula, unless the formula is part of a capability description and the variable is explicitly mentioned in the sharedVariables block.

variable = '^?' alphanumeric+

Examples of variables are: ?x, ?y1, ?myVariable

2.1.3 Comments in WSML

A WSML file may at any place contain a comment. A single line comment starts with comment or // and ends with a line break. Comments can also range over multiple lines, in which they need to be delimited by "\r" and "\n".

comment = short_comment | long_comment
short_comment = ("//" | "comment") not_cr_lf* eol
long_comment = "/\n* long_comment_content "/*

It is recommended to use annotations for any information related to the actual WSML descriptions; comments should be only used for meta-data about the WSML file itself. Comments are disregarded when parsing the WSML document.

Examples:

// Illustrating a multi line
" comment
" /

// a one-line comment
comment another one-line comment

2.1.4 WSML MIME type

When accessing resources over the Web, the MIME type indicates the type of the resource. For example, plain text documents have the MIME type text/plain and XML documents have the MIME type application/xml.

When exchanging WSML documents written in the normative syntax, it is necessary to use the appropriate MIME type so that automated agents can detect the type of content. The MIME type to be used for WSML documents is: application/x-wsml

WSML/XML documents should have the MIME type: application/x-wsml+xml
WSML/RDF documents in the XML serialization of RDF should have the usual MIME type: application/rdf+xml

2.2 WSML Elements

This section describes the elements in common between all types of WSML specifications and all WSML variants. The elements described in this section are used in Ontology, Goal, Mediator and Web service specifications. The elements specific to a type of specification are described in subsequent sections. Because all elements in this section are concerned with meta-information about the specification and thus do not depend on the logical formalism underlying the language, these elements are shared among all WSML variants.

In this section we only describe how each element should be used. The subsequent sections will describe how these elements fit in the specific WSML descriptions.

2.2.1 WSML Variant

Every WSML specification document may start with the wsmlVariant keyword, followed by an identifier for the WSML variant which is used in the document. Table 2.1 lists the WSML variants and the corresponding identifiers in the form of IRIs.

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Table 2.1: WSML variant identifiers
The specification of the `wsmlVariant` is optional. In case no variant is specified, no guarantees can be made with respect to the specification and WSML-Full may be assumed.

```plaintext
wsmlVariant = 'wsmlVariant' full_iri
```

The following illustrates the WSML variant reference for a WSML-Flight specification:

```plaintext
wsmlVariant _= 'http://www.wsmo.org/wsml/wsml-syntax/wsml-flight'
```

When the intended WSML variant is explicitly stated, tools can immediately recognize the intention of the author and return an exception if the specification does not conform to the syntactical restrictions imposed by the intended variant. This generally helps developers of WSML specifications to stay within desired limits of complexity and to communicate their desires to others.

### 2.2.2 Namespace References

At the top of a WSML document, below the identification of the WSML variant, there is an optional block of namespace references, which is preceded by the `namespace` keyword. The `namespace` keyword is followed by a number of namespace references. Each namespace reference, except for the default namespace, consists of the chosen prefix and the IRI which identifies the namespace. Note that, like any argument list in WSML, the list of namespace references is delimited with curly brackets `{}`. In case only a default namespace is declared, the curly brackets are not required.

```plaintext
namespace = 'namespace' prefixdefinitionlist
prefixdefinitionlist = full_iri
| '{' prefixdefinition ( ',' prefixdefinition ) '}'
prefixdefinition = name full_iri
| full_iri
```

Two examples are given below, one with a number of namespace declarations and one with only a default namespace:

```plaintext
namespace (_= 'http://www.example.org/ontologies/example#!',
dc _= 'http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1#',
foaf _= 'http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/',
wsml _= 'http://www.wsmo.org/wsml-syntax#',
loc _= 'http://www.wsmo.org/ontologies/location#',
oo _= 'http://example.org/ooMediator#'}
```

2.2.3 Header

Any WSML specification may have annotations, may import ontologies and may use mediators:

```plaintext
header = annotations
| importsontology
| usesmediator
```

Annotations

Annotations may be used for the WSML document as a whole but also for each element in the specification. Annotation blocks are delimited with the keywords `annotations` and `endAnnotations`. Following the keyword is a list of attribute values, which consists of the attribute identifier, the keyword `hasValue` and the value for the attribute, which may be any identifier and can thus be an IRI, a data value, an anonymous identifier or a comma-separated list of the former, delimited with curly brackets. The recommended properties are the properties of the Dublin Core Metadata Element Set [Weibel et al. 1998], but the list of properties is extensible and thus the user can choose to use properties coming from different sources. WSMO [Roman et al., 2005] defines a number of properties which are not in the Dublin Core. These properties can be used in a WSML specification by referring to the WSML namespace (http://www.wsmo.org/wsml/wsml-syntax#). These properties are: `wsmlVersion` and `wsmlOwner`, (here we assume that the prefix `wsml` has been defined as referring to the WSML namespace; see Section 2.1.1). For recommended usage of annotations see [Roman et al., 2005]. Following the WSML convention, if a property has multiple values, these are separated by commas and the list of values is delimited by curly brackets.

```plaintext
annotations = 'annotations' attributevalue 'endAnnotations'
```

Example:

```plaintext
annotations
dctitle hasValue "WSML example ontology"
dctopic hasValue "family"
dc#description hasValue "Fragments of a family ontology to provide WSML examples"
dc#contributor hasValue [ _= "http://homepage.uibk.ac.at/~c703240/foaf.rdf", "http://homepage.uibk.ac.at/~csaa5569/", "http://homepage.uibk.ac.at/homepage/~c703319/foaf.rdf" ]
dc#date hasValue date"2004-11-22"
dc#format hasValue "text/html"
dc#language hasValue "en-US"
dc#rights hasValue "http://www.deri.org/privacy.html"
wsmlVersion hasValue "$Revision: 1.224 "$
endAnnotations
```

Annotations in WSML are not part of the logical language; programmatic access to these properties can be provided through an API.
The current version of WSML is not backward compatible with respect to the syntax used to specify annotations descriptions. In the previous versions (versions before d16.1v0.3_20061110) annotation descriptions were introduced by nonFunctionalProperties or nfp constructs. The current versions use the annotations construct. A translation tool from the old syntax to the new syntax used to specify annotations is available at http://tools.deri.org/wsml/nfptranslator/.

Importing Ontologies

Ontologies may be imported in any WSML specification through the import ontologies block, identified by the keyword importsOntology. Following the keyword is a list of IRIs identifying the ontologies being imported. An importsOntology definition serves to merge ontologies, similar to the owl:import annotation property in OWL. This means the resulting ontology is the union of all axioms and definitions in the importing and imported ontologies. Please note that recursive import of ontologies is also supported. This means that if an imported ontology has any imported ontologies of its own, these ontologies are also imported.

WSML does not only allow the import of WSML ontologies: the imported ontologies may be WSML ontologies, RDFS graphs, or OWL ontologies (both OWL DL and OWL Full are supported). The variant of every imported ontology should be lower than or equal to the variant of the importing description. RDFS ontologies are conformant to WSML Flight or WSML Rule. If an OWL DL ontology is in the DLP subset, i.e. it is equivalent to a set of equality-free Horn formulas, it has the WSML-Core variant. If not, it has the variant WSML-DL or WSML-Full. An OWL Full ontology is in the WSML-Full variant.

If the imported ontology is of a higher WSML variant than the importing specification, the resulting ontology is of the most expressive of the two variants. If the expressiveness of the variants is to some extent disjoint (e.g., when importing a WSML-DL ontology in a WSML-Rule specification), the resultant will be of the least common superset of the variants. In the case of WSML-DL and WSML-Rule, the least common superset is WSML-Full.

Example:

```xml
<importsOntology>
  <iri>http://www.wsmo.org/ontologies/location</iri>,
  <iri>_http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1</iri>
</importsOntology>
```

Using Mediators

Mediators are used to link different WSML elements (ontologies, goal, web services) and resolve heterogeneity between the elements. Mediators are described in more detail in Section 2.5. Here we are only concerned with how mediators can be referenced from a WSML specification. Mediators are currently underspecified and thus this reference to the use of mediators can be seen as a placeholder.

The (optional) used mediators block is identified by the keywords usesMediator which is followed by one or more identifiers of WSML mediators. The types of mediators which can be used are constrained by the type of specification. An ontology allows for the use of different mediators than, for example, a goal or a web service. More details on the use of different mediators can be found in Section 2.5. The type of the mediator is reflected in the mediator specification itself and not in the reference to the mediator.

Example:

```xml
<usesMediator>
  _http://example.org/ooMediator
</usesMediator>
```

2.3 Ontology Specification in WSML

A WSML ontology specification is identified by the ontology keyword optionally followed by an IRI which serves as the identifier of the ontology. If no identifier is specified for the ontology, the locator of the ontology serves as identifier.

Example:

```xml
<ontology>
  family
</ontology>
```

An ontology specification document in WSML consists of:

```xml
<ontology_element>
  concept
  | relation
  | instance
  | relationInstance
  | axiom
</ontology_element>
```

In this section we explain the ontology modeling elements in the WSML language. The modeling elements are based on the WSMO conceptual model of ontologies (Roman et al., 2005).

2.3.1 Concepts

A concept definition starts with the concept keyword, which is followed by the identifier of the concept. This is optionally followed by a superconcept definition which consists of the keyword subConceptOf followed by one or more concept identifiers (as usual, if there is more than one, the list is comma-separated and delimited by curly brackets). This is followed by an optional annotations block and zero or more attribute definitions.

Note that WSML allows inheritance of attribute definitions, which means that a concept inherits all attribute definitions of its superconcepts. If two superconcepts have a definition for the same attribute a, but with a different range, these attribute definitions are interpreted conjunctively. This means that the resulting range of the attribute a in the subconcept is the conjunction (intersection) of the ranges of the attribute definitions in the superconcepts.

Example:

```xml
<concept>
  id superconcept?
  annotations?
  attribute
</concept>
```
WSML allows creation of axioms in order to refine the definition already given in the conceptual syntax, i.e., the subconcept and attribute definitions. It is advised in the WSML specification to include the relation between the concept and the axioms related to the concept in the annotations through the property dc#rel. In the example above we refer to an axiom with the identifier humanDefinition (see Section 2.3.4 for the axiom).

Different knowledge representation languages, such as Description Logics, allow for the specification of defined concepts (called "complete classes" in OWL). The definition of a defined concept is not only necessary, but also sufficient. A necessary definition, such as the concept specification in the example above, specifies implications of membership of the concept for all instances of this concept. WSML supports defined concepts through the use of axioms (see Section 2.3.4). The axiom definition below specifies that each instance of Human is also an instance of Primate and LegalAgent. Furthermore, all values for the attributes hasName, hasParent, hasWeight etc. must be of specific types. A necessary and sufficient definition also works the other way around, which means that if certain properties hold for the instance, the instance is inferred to be a member of this concept.

As mentioned above axioms can be used to define concepts. The logical expression contained in the axiom should reflect an equivalence relation between a class membership expression on one side and a conjunction of class membership expressions on the other side, each with the same variable. Thus, such a definition should be of the form:

\[ \forall x \text{memberOf } A \text{ equivalent } \forall x \text{memberOf } B_1 \text{ and } \ldots \text{ and } \forall x \text{memberOf } B_n \]

With \( A \) and \( B_1, B_2, \ldots, B_n \) concept identifiers.

For example, in order to define the class Human as the intersection of the classes Primate and LegalAgent, the following definition is used:

```
axiom humanDefinition
definedBy
\[ \forall x \text{memberOf } Human \text{ equivalent } \forall x \text{memberOf } \text{Primate} \text{ and } \forall x \text{memberOf } \text{LegalAgent} \]
```

Attributes

Two important features of attribute modeling which set WSML apart from OWL are cardinality constraints and attribute range constraints. OWL offers cardinality and range restrictions on attributes which serve to create additional (monotonic) inferences such as existence or equality of objects or membership in a certain class. For many users these restrictions show unintuitive behavior from the viewpoint of classical rule languages and databases [de Bruin et al., 2005]: Means to actually check the data in your knowledge base and maximal cardinality, after the \text{subConceptOf} idlist

```
{Primate, LegalAgent}
```

An attribute definition of the form \( A \text{ ofType } D \), where \( A \) is an attribute identifier and \( D \) is a concept identifier, is a constraint on the values for attribute \( A \). If the value for the attribute \( A \) is not known to be of type \( D \), the constraint is violated and the attribute value is inconsistent with respect to the ontology. This notion of constraints corresponds with the usual database-style constraints.

The keyword \text{impliesType} can be used for inferring the type of a particular attribute value. An attribute definition of the form \( A \text{ impliesType } D \), where \( A \) is an attribute identifier and \( D \) is a concept identifier, implies membership of the concept \( D \) for all values of the attribute \( A \). Please note that if the range of the attribute is a datatype, the semantics of \text{ofType} and \text{impliesType} coincide, because datatypes have a known domain and thus values cannot be inferred to be of a certain datatype.

Attributes which do not have a datatype range can be specified as being reflexive, transitive, symmetric, or being the inverse of another attribute, using the \text{reflexive}, \text{transitive}, \text{symmetric} and \text{inverseOf} keywords, respectively. Attributes can also be specified as being a subAttribute of another attribute, using the keyword \text{subAttributeOf}. Notice that these keywords do not enforce a constraint on the attribute, but are used to infer additional information about the attribute. The keywords \text{inverseOf} and \text{subAttributeOf} must be followed by an identifier of the attribute, enclosed in parentheses, of which this attribute is the inverse, respectively the subAttribute of.

The cardinality constraints for a single attribute are specified by including two numbers between parentheses \( (\\ ) \), indicating the minimal and maximal cardinality, after the \text{ofType} (or \text{impliesType}) keyword. The first number indicates the minimal cardinality. The second number indicates the maximal cardinality, where \( * \) stands for unlimited maximal cardinality (and is not allowed for minimal cardinality). It is possible to write down just one number instead of two, which is interpreted as both a minimal and a maximal cardinality constraint. When the cardinality is omitted, then it is assumed that there are no constraints on the cardinality, which is equivalent to \( (0) \). Note that a maximal cardinality of \( 1 \) makes an attribute functional.
When an attribute is specified as being transitive, this means that if three individuals a, b and c are related via a transitive attribute att in such a way: a att b att c then c is also a value for the attribute att at a. a att c.

When an attribute is specified as being symmetric, this means that if an individual a has a symmetric attribute att with value b, then b also has attribute att with value a.

When an attribute is specified as being the inverse of another attribute, this means that if an individual a has an attribute att1 with value b and att1 is the inverse of a certain attribute att2, then it is inferred that b has an attribute att2 with value a. In the same time att2 is the inverse of att1 which means that the following can be inferred: a has an attribute att1 with value b. The inverseOf relationship is a symmetric relationship between attributes. This means that if att1 is the inverse of att2, then att2 is the inverse of att1.

When an attribute is specified as being the sub-attribute of another attribute, this means that if an individual a has an attribute att1 with value b and att1 is the sub-attribute of a certain attribute att2, then it is inferred that individual a has an attribute att2 with value b.

Below is an example of a concept definition with attribute definitions:

```
concept Human
annotations
dc#description "concept of a human being"
endAnnotations
hasName ofType (foaf#name)
hasChild subAttributeOf(hasRelative) impliesType Human
hasAncestor transitive impliesType Human
hasRelative symmetric impliesType Human
hasWeight ofType (xsd#float)
hasWeightInKg ofType (1) xsd#float
hasBirthdate ofType (1) xsd#date
hasObit ofType (0 1) xsd#date
hasBirthplace ofType (1) loc#location
isMarriedTo symmetric impliesType (0 1) Human
hasCitizenship ofType oo#country
```

### 2.3.2 Relations

A relation definition starts with the `relation` keyword, which is followed by the identifier of the relation. WSML allows the specification of relations with arbitrary arity. The domain of the parameters can be optionally specified using the keyword `impliesType` or `ofType`. Note that parameters of a relation are strictly ordered. A relation definition is optionally completed by the keyword `subRelationOf` followed by one or more identifiers of superrelations. Finally an optional `annotations` block can be specified.

Relations in WSML can have an arbitrary arity and values for the parameters can be constrained using parameter type definitions of the form `( ofType type-name )` and `( impliesType type-name )`. The definition of relations requires either the indication of the arity or of the parameter definitions. The usage of `ofType` and `impliesType` correspond with the usage in attribute definitions. Namely, parameter definitions with the `ofType` keyword are used to constrain the allowed parameter values, whereas parameter definitions with the `impliesType` keyword are used to infer concept membership of parameter values.

```
relation = 'relation' id arity? paramtyping? superrelation? annotations?
arity = '(' pos_integer
paramtyping = '(' paramtype moreparamtype? ')' paramtype = 'att type idlist
moreparamtype = ',' paramtype
superrelation = 'subRelationOf' idlist
```

Below are two examples, one with parameter definitions and one with an arity definition:

```
relation distance ( ofType City, ofType _decimal ) subRelationOf measurement
relation distance/3
```

As for concepts, the exact meaning of a relation can be defined using axioms. For example one could axiomatize the transitive closure for a property or further restrict the domain of one of the parameters. As with concepts, it is recommended that related axioms are indicated using the annotation `dc#relation`.

### 2.3.3 Instances

An instance definition starts with the `instance` keyword, followed by the identifier of the instance, the `memberOf` keyword and the name of the concept to which the instance belongs. The `memberOf` keyword identifies the concept to which the instance belongs. This definition is followed by the attribute values associated with the instance. Each property filler consists of the property identifier, the keyword `hasValue` and the value(s) for the attribute.
Instances explicitly specified in an ontology are those which are shared together as part of the ontology. However, most instance data exists outside the ontology in private data stores. Access to these instances, as described in [Roman et al., 2005], is achieved by providing a link to an instance store. Instance stores contain large numbers of instances and they are linked to the ontology. We do not restrict the user in the way an instance store is linked to a WSML ontology. This would be done outside the ontology definition, since an ontology is shared and can thus be used in combination with different instance stores.

WSML allows instances which are not members of a particular concept. This can be written in all WSML variants by using an empty idlist, e.g. ‘a ofType { }’

Besides specifying instances of concepts, it is also possible to specify instances of relations. Such a relation instance definition starts with the relationInstance keyword, (optionally) followed by the identifier of the relationInstance, and the name of the relation to which the instance belongs. This is followed by the values of the parameters associated with the instance and by an optional annotations block.

Below is an example of an instance of a ternary relation (remember that the identifier is optional, see also Section 2.1.2):

```
relationInstance distance(Innsbruck, Munich, 234)
```

2.3.4 Axioms

An axiom definition starts with the axiom keyword, (optionally) followed by the name (identifier) of the axiom. This is followed by an optional annotations block and one or more logical expression(s) preceded by the definedBy keyword. The logical expressions must be followed by either a blank or a new line. The language allowed for the logical expressions is explained in Section 2.8.

Example of a defining axiom:

```
axiom humanDefinition
definedBy
?x memberOf Human equivalent
?x memberOf Animal and
?x memberOf LegalAgent.
```

WSML allows the specification of database-style constraints. Below is an example of a constraining axiom:

```
axiom humanBMIConstraint
definedBy
1!-naf bodyMassIndex(bmi hasValue ?b, length hasValue ?l, weight hasValue ?w)
and
?x memberOf Human and
?x(length hasValue ?l), weight hasValue ?w, bmi hasValue ?b).
```

2.4 Capability, Interface and Non-functional Properties Specification in WSML

The desired and provided functionality of services are described in WSML in the form of capabilities. The desired capability is part of a goal and the provided capability is part of a Web service. The interaction style of both the requester and the provider is described in interfaces, as part of the goal and the Web service, respectively. Finally, other aspects of services or goals which are neither functional nor behavioral are captured in non-functional properties.

2.4.1 Capabilities

A capability constitutes a formal description of the functionality requested from or provided by a Web service. WSML supports two ways of defining capabilities: create a complex capability description consisting of annotations, imported ontologies, used mediators, non-functional properties, shared variables, assumptions, preconditions, effects and postconditions, or refer to one concept (using an IRI) which is presumably defined in an ontology imported by the goal or Web service.

Concerning the complex capability descriptions, the preconditions describe conditions on the input of the service, the postconditions describe the relation between the input and the output of the service, the assumptions describe what must hold (but cannot be checked beforehand) of the state of the world for the Web service to be able to execute successfully, and the effects describe real-world effects of the execution of the Web service which are not reflected in the output.

A WSML goal or Web service may only have one capability. The specification of a capability is optional. Please note that all ontologies that are imported within a goal or Web service specification are implicitly imported in all the contained (complex) capabilities as well.
A WSML capability may be a stand-alone entity which may be defined outside a WSML goal or Web service definition. If a WSML capability is a stand-alone entity then it cannot be written in the same file as goal, Web service and mediator descriptions. A capability written in a file underneath a goal or Web service belongs to that goal or Web service. A capability that is written in a file in a way that makes it impossible to see to which Web service or goal it belongs to, causes a parse error.

A complex capability description starts with the capability keyword, optionally followed by the name (identifier) of the capability. This is followed by an optional annotations block, an optional importsOntology block, an optional usesMediator block and optional nonfunctionalproperties. The (optional) sharedVariables block is used to indicate the variables which are shared between the preconditions, postconditions, assumptions and effects of the capability, which are defined in the precondition, postcondition, assumption, and effect definitions, respectively. The number of such definitions is not restricted. Each of these definitions consists of the keyword, an optional identifier, an optional annotations block and a logical expression preceded by the definedBy keyword, and thus has the same content as an axiom (see Section 2.3.4). The language allowed for the logical expression differs per WSML variant and is explained in the respective chapters.

A simple capability description starts with the capability keyword, followed by an IRI depicting a concept within an external ontology, describing the functionality of the goal or Web service. Such a capability should not define any annotations; they should be written in the referred ontology.

```
capability = 'capability' iri? header* nfp? sharedVariables? pre post ass or eff
sharedVariables = 'sharedVariables' variablelist
pre_post_ass_or_eff = 'precondition' axiomdefinition
| 'postcondition' axiomdefinition
| 'assumption' axiomdefinition
| 'effect' axiomdefinition
```

Below is an example of a capability specified in WSML:

```
capability
  sharedVariables ?child
  precondition
  annotations
dodef description hasValue "The input has to be boy or a girl
  with birthdate in the past and be born in Germany."
endAnnotations
definedBy
  ?child memberOf Child
  and ?child(hasBirthdate hasValue (birthdate)
  and ?child(hasBirthplace hasValue (location)
  and ?location(locatedIn hasValue (country)
  or (?child(hasParent hasValue (parent) and
  ?parent(hasCitizenship hasValue (citizenship)) ).

effect
  annotations
dodef description hasValue "After the registration the child
  is a German citizen"
endAnnotations
definedBy
  ?child memberOf Child
  and ?child(hasCitizenship hasValue (citizenship)).
```

2.4.2 Interface

A WSML goal may request multiple interfaces and a Web service may offer multiple interfaces. The specification of an interface is optional. Please note that all ontologies that are imported within a goal or Web service specification are implicitly imported in all the contained capabilities as well.

A WSML interface may be a stand-alone entity which may be defined outside a WSML goal or Web service definition. If a WSML interface is a stand-alone entity then it cannot be written in the same file as goal, Web service and mediator descriptions. An interface written in a file underneath a goal or Web service belongs to that goal or Web service. An interface that is written in a file in a way that makes it impossible to see to which Web service or goal it belongs to, causes a parse error.

An interface specification starts with the interface keyword, optionally followed by the name (identifier) of the interface. This is followed by an optional annotations block, an optional importsOntology block, an optional usesMediator block, optional nonfunctionalproperties and then by an optional choreography block and an optional orchestration block. Note that an interface can have at most one choreography and at most one orchestration. It is furthermore possible to reference interfaces which have been specified at a different location. For reasons of convenience, WSML allows the referencing of multiple interfaces using an argument list.

Currently only a syntax for choreographies in WSML is defined. A choreography specification starts with the choreography keyword, (optionally) followed by the name (identifier) of the choreography. This is followed by an optional annotations block, an optional importsOntology block and an optional usesMediator block. Following these elements are the optional blocks of stateSignature and transitions containers. An orchestration simply starts with the orchestration keyword followed by an optional identifier. This element is yet to be better defined.

```
interfaces = interface
  minterfaces
interface = 'interface' iri? header* nfp? choreography? orchestration?
chorography = 'choreography' iri? header* state signature? transitions?
orchestration = 'orchestration' iri?
```

A state signature in a choreography description starts with the stateSignature keyword followed by an optional identifier, an optional block of annotations, an optional importsOntology statement and an optional usesMediator statement. Finally, the state signature defines an optional set of mode containers. Each mode container is defined by a mandatory mode name (static, in, out, shared or controlled) and a list of entries. Each entry may take a default form (which relates to a concept), an explicit concept definition or an explicit relation
definition. The default form is defined by an \textit{id} followed by an optional block of grounding IRIs. An explicit concept mode entry is defined by the keyword concept followed by an \textit{id} followed by an optional block of grounding IRIs. The same applies for a relation mode entry except that instead of the keyword concept, relation is used. The grounding information is defined by the \textit{withGrounding} keyword followed by a list of IRIs. Note that we refrain from defining the state since such an element is comprised of the ground facts defined in the imported ontologies.

\begin{verbatim}
statesignature = 'stateSignature' id? header* mode*
mode = mode_id mode_entry_list
mode_entry_list = (mode_entry) mode_entry*, mode_entry_list
mode_id = (static) 'static'
| (in)   'in'
| (out)  'out'
| (shared) 'shared'
| (controlled) 'controlled'
mode_entry = (default_mode) iri grounding?
| (concept_mode) 'concept' iri grounding?
| (relation_mode) 'relation' iri grounding?
grounding = 'withGrounding' grounding_info
grounding_info = (iri) iri
| (listiri) '[' listiri']'
lirstiri = (iri) iri
| (listiri) '[' listiri']'

Following the state signature block is the transition rules container. This is defined by the transitionRules keyword followed by an optional identifier, an optional annotations block and a set of rule elements. A rule can take the form of an if-then, a choose, a for-all, a set of piped-rules (for non-determinism) or an update-rule. An if-then rule is defined by the \textit{id} keyword, a WSML Logical Expression (condition), a \textit{then} keyword, a non-empty set of rule elements and ending with the \textit{endif} keyword. A for-all rule is defined by the \textit{forall} keyword, a list of variable elements, a \textit{with} keyword, a WSML Logical Expression (condition), a \textit{do} keyword, a set of non-empty rule elements and ending with the \textit{endForall} keyword. Similarly, a choose rule is defined by the \textit{choose} keyword, a WSML Logical Expression (condition), a \textit{do} keyword, a set of non-empty rule elements and ends with the \textit{endChoose} keyword. A piped rule is either a normal rule element or defined recursively by a rule followed by a pipe or followed by another set of piped rules.

\begin{verbatim}
transitions = 'transitionRules' id? annotations? rule*
rule = (if) 'if' condition 'then' rule+ 'endif'
| (forall) 'forall' variablelist 'with' condition 'do' rule+ 'endForall'
| (choose) 'choose' variablelist 'with' condition 'do' rule+ 'endChoose'
| (uncond) piped_rules
| (update) updaterule
condition = (restricted_le) expr
piped_rules = (rule) rule
| (piped_rule)* piped_rules
\end{verbatim}

An update rule is defined by a modifier keyword (\textit{add}, \textit{delete} or \textit{update}), an open parenthesis, a fact and a closing parenthesis. A fact can take the form of a preferred molecule, a non-preferred molecule or a fact molecule. The first form, the preferred molecule, is defined by a term, an optional attribute fact, a \textit{memberOf} keyword, a term list and an optional fact update. An attribute fact is defined by an open square bracket, an attribute fact list and a closing square bracket. An attribute fact list can take the form of an attribute relation or a list of attribute relations (defined recursively) delimited by a comma. An attribute relation is defined by a term, a \textit{hasValue} keyword, a term list and an optional fact update. A fact update is defined by an arrow of the form \textit{id} followed by a term list, an optional fact update and an attribute fact. A fact molecule is defined by a term and an attribute fact. A fact can also be related to a relation. Such a fact is defined by the \textit{id} symbol (which clearly identifies that the modifier deals with an update of a relation) an identifier, an open parenthesis, a list of term updates (depending on the number of arguments of the relation) and a closing parenthesis. The list of term updates is defined as a single term update or a term update followed by a comma followed by another term update. A term update is defined as a term, or as a term followed by the update symbol \textit{=>} and another new term.

\begin{verbatim}
updaterule = modifier ("fact")
modifier = (add) 'add'
| (delete) 'delete'
| (update) 'update'
fact = (fact Preferred) term attr fact? 'memberOf' termlist fact update?
| (fact NonPreferred) term 'memberOf' termlist fact update? attr fact
| (fact molecule) term attr fact
| (fact relation) '@' id '[' term updates']'

fact update = '=' '>' termlist
attr fact = '[' attr fact list']'
attr fact list = (attr relation) term 'hasValue' termlist fact update?
| attr fact list' '[' term 'hasValue' termlist fact update?
term updates = (one_param) term update
| (more params) term update
| (term updates)
term update = (single) term
| (move) [oldterm]: term '=' '>' [newterm]: term
\end{verbatim}
The syntax presented before, known more commonly as the WSML Abstract State Machine (ASM) syntax, is the only syntax for choreographies that may be embedded within a WSML description. Should other formalisms and syntaxes be desired these choreographies should be referenced by IRIs. As no orchestration syntax has so far been specified by the WSML group it is currently not possible to embed an orchestration within a WSML description, however, same as choreographies, they may be referenced by IRIs.

Below is an example of an interface, an example of references to multiple interfaces and an example of an interface with a defined choreography:

interface
  choreography _"http://example.org/mychoreography"
  orchestration _"http://example.org/myorchestration"

interface (~"http://example.org/mychoreography", _"http://example.org/mychoreography")

interface buy/interface
  choreography buyChoreography
  annotations
dc#title hasValue "Multimedia Shopping Service Choreography"
dc#description hasValue "Describes the steps required for shopping multimedia items over this web service"
endAnnotations

stateSignature
  importsOntology {
    _"http://example.org/ontologies/products/Products",
    _"http://example.org/ontologies/tasks/ShoppingTasks",
    _"http://example.org/ontologies/shopping/Shopping",
    _"http://example.org/ontologies/products/ProductsMedia",
    _"http://example.org/ontologies/Media"
  }

  in
    shoptasks#SearchCatalog withGrounding
      _"http://example.org/webservices/shopping/mediashoppingservice#wsdl.interfaceMessageReference[MediaShoppingServicePortType/SearchCatalog/In]
  out
      mediaproduct#MediaProduct withGrounding
      _"http://example.org/webservices/shopping/mediashoppingservice#wsdl.interfaceMessageReference[MediaShoppingServicePortType/SearchCatalog/Out]"

transitionRules
  forall (?search)
    with
      (?search[
        byTitle hasValue ?title,
        byArtist hasValue ?artist,
        byMinPrice hasValue ?minPrice,
        byMaxPrice hasValue ?maxPrice,
        byMinRating hasValue ?minRating,
        byMaxRating hasValue ?maxRating
      ] memberOf shoptasks#SearchCatalog)
    and
      (?artist memberOf mediaproduct#MediaArtist)
    and
      (?search memberOf shoptasks#SearchCatalog)
    and
      exists(?item)
        (?item memberOf mediaproduct#MediaProduct and
          (?item hasContributor hasValue ?artist) or
          (?item hasTitle hasValue ?title) or
          (?item hasPrice hasValue ?price) and
          ?price >= ?minPrice and
          ?price <= ?maxPrice)
        or
        (?item hasRating hasValue ?rating) and
        ?rating >= ?minRating and
        ?rating <= ?maxRating)
    do
      add(?item[
        hasContributor hasValue ?artist,
        hasTitle hasValue ?title,
        hasPrice hasValue ?price,
        hasRating hasValue ?rating
      ] memberOf mediaproduct#MediaProduct)
      add(?artist memberOf mediaproduct#MediaArtist)
      delete(?search memberOf shoptasks#SearchCatalog)
  endForall

2.4.3 Non-functional Properties

Non-functional properties are those properties which strictly belong to a Web service, goal, capability, interface or mediator and which are not functional and behavioral. A WSML Web service, goal, capability, interface or mediator may specify multiple non-functional properties. The specification of a non-functional property is optional.

Non-functional properties start with the keyword nonFunctionalProperty or its short form nfp. Following the keyword is an attribute value, which consists of the attribute identifier, the keyword hasValue and the value for the attribute, which may be an identifier or a variable symbol (or a set of such symbols). This is followed by an optional annotations block.

Please note that only one attribute value per non-functional property can be defined.

In case the value of the attribute in the name-value pair is an identifier, this value may be an IRI, a data value, an anonymous identifier
or a comma-separated list of the former, delimited with curly brackets. In case it is a variable symbol, an axiom definition block in which the variable symbol is used should follow. Such an axiom definition block consists of the keyword `definedBy`, followed by one or more logical expressions, each followed by either a blank or a new line character (please note that an axiom definition block as defined for non-functional properties is not equal to an axiom as defined in Section 2.3.4. The keyword `axiom` is omitted here.). The language allowed for the logical expression differs per WSML variant. The logical expressions are restricted to rule bodies for the Core, Flight and Rule variants, and to descriptions (i.e. tree-shaped formulas) for the DL variant. If the axiom definition block is missing or the variable symbol is not used in it, then implementations should issue a warning to the user.

Below is an example of non-functional properties specified in WSML:

```xml
nonFunctionalProperty
  po#Price
    hasValue
      ?price
  annotations
    dc#description
      hasValue
        "If the client is older than 60 or younger than 10 years old the
        invocation price is lower than 10 euro"
endAnnotations
  definedBy
    ?client
      [age
        hasValue
          ?age
        memberOf
          hu#human
        and
          ?age
            [amount
              hasValue
                ?years
              units
              hasValue
                hu#YearsDuration
            memberOf
              hu#age
        and
          (greaterEqual(?years, 60) or lessEqual(?years, 10))
      implies
        ?price
          [hasAmount
            hasValue
              ?amount
          hasCurrency
            hasValue
              cur#Euro
          memberOf
            po#AbsolutePrice
        and
          lessEqual(?amount, 10).]
```

### 2.5 Goal Specification in WSML

A WSML goal specification is identified by the `goal` keyword optionally followed by an IRI which serves as the identifier of the goal. If no identifier is specified for the goal, the locator of the goal serves as identifier.

Example:

```xml
goal "http://example.org/Germany/GetCitizenShip"
```

A goal specification document in WSML consists of:

```xml
<goal
  iri
  header
  capability
  interfaces>
</goal>
```

The elements of a goal are the capability and the interfaces which have been explained in the previous section.

Please note that all ontologies that are imported within a goal specification are implicitly imported in all the contained capabilities and interfaces as well.

### 2.6 Mediator Specification in WSML

WSML allows for the specification of four kinds of mediators, namely ontology mediators, mediators between Web services, mediators between goals and mediators between Web services and goals. These mediators are referred via the keywords `ooMediator`, `wwMediator`, `ggMediator` and `wgMediator`, respectively (cf. [Roman et al., 2005]).

```xml
mediator =
  oomediator
  |
  ggmediator
  |
  wmediator
```

A WSML mediator specification is identified by the keyword indicating a particular kind of mediator (`ooMediator`, `wwMediator`, `ggMediator`, `wgMediator`), optionally followed by an IRI which serves as the identifier of the mediator. When no identifier is specified for the mediator, the locator of the mediator serves as identifier.

Example:

```xml
ooMediator "http://example.org/ooMediator"
```

All types of mediators share the same syntax for the sources, targets and services used:

```xml
use_service =
  'usesService' iri?
source =
  'source' iri?
msources =
  'source' '{ iri
        ( ',' iri
      )*
    }'
sources =
  source
  |
  msources

target =
  'target' iri?
```

#### 2.6.1 ooMediators

ooMediators are used to connect ontologies to other ontologies, Web services, goals and mediators. ooMediators take care of resolving any heterogeneity which occurs.

The `source` of an ooMediator in WSML may only contain identifiers of ontologies and other ooMediators as source.

An ooMediator in WSML may only have one `target`. The target may be the identifier of an ontology, a goal, a Web service or another mediator.
The keyword usesService is used to identify a goal which declaratively describes the mediation service, a Web service which actually implements the mediation or a wwMediator which links to such a Web service. The entity pointed to is given by an iri.


An ooMediator is used to import (parts of) ontologies and resolve heterogeneity. This concept of mediation between ontologies is more flexible than the importsOntology statement, which is used to import a WSML ontology into another WSML specification. The ontology import mechanism appends the definitions in the imported ontology to the importing specification.

In fact, importing ontologies can be seen as a simple form of mediation, in which no heterogeneity is resolved. However, usually there are mismatches and overlaps between the different ontologies which require mediation. Furthermore, if the imported ontology is specified using a WSML variant which has an undesirable expressiveness, a mediator could be used to weaken the definitions to the desired expressiveness.

2.6.2 wwMediators

wwMediators connect Web Services, resolving any data, process and protocol heterogeneity between the two.

wwMediators in WSML may only have one source. The source may be the identifier of a Web service or another wwMediator.

wwMediators in WSML may only have one target. The target may be the identifier of a Web service or another wwMediator.

wwmediator = 'wwMediator' iri? header* nfp? source? target? use service?

2.6.3 ggMediators

ggMediators connect different goals, enabling goals to refine more general goals and thus enabling reuse of goal definitions.

ggMediators in WSML may only have one source. The source may be the identifier of a goal or another ggMediator.

ggMediators in WSML may only have one target. The target may be the identifier of a goal or another ggMediator.

ggmediator = 'ggMediator' iri? header* nfp? source? target? use service?

2.6.4 wgMediators

wgMediators connect goals and Web services, resolving any data, process and protocol heterogeneity.

wgMediators in WSML may only have one source. The source may be the identifier of a Web service or another wgMediator.

wgMediators in WSML may only have one target. The target may be the identifier of a goal or a ggMediator.

wgmediator = 'wgMediator' iri? header* nfp? source? target? use service?

By externalizing the mediation services from the implementation of ontologies, goals and Web services, WSML allows loose coupling of elements; the mediator is responsible for relating the different elements to each other and resolving conflicts and mismatches. For more details we refer to [Roman et al., 2005].

None of the elements in a mediator has any meaning in the logical language. In fact, the complexity of a mediator is hidden in the actual description of the mediator. Instead, the complexity is either in the implementation of the mediation service, in which case WSML does not support the description because WSML is only concerned with the interface description, or in the functional description of the Web service or the goal which is used to specify the desired mediation service. As discussed in [Keller et al., 2005], these descriptions often need a very expressive language.

2.7 Web Service Specification in WSML

A WSML Web service specification is identified by the webService keyword optionally followed by an IRI which serves as the identifier of the Web service. If no identifier is specified for the Web service, the locator of the Web service specification serves as identifier.

A Web service specification document in WSML consists of:

webservice = 'webService' iri? header* nfp? capability? interface*

Example:

webService "http://example.org/Germany/BirthRegistration"

The elements of a Web service are capability and interface which are explained in Section 2.4.

Please note that all ontologies that are imported within a Web service specification are implicitly imported in all the contained capabilities and interfaces as well.

2.8 Logical Expressions in WSML

Logical expressions occur within axioms and the capabilities which are specified in the descriptions of goals and Semantic Web services. In the following, we give a syntax specification for general logical expressions in WSML. The general logical expression syntax presented in this chapter encompasses all WSML variants and is thus equivalent to the WSML-Full logical expression syntax. In the subsequent chapters, we specify for each of the WSML variants the restrictions the variant imposes on the logical expression syntax.

The syntax specified in the following is inspired by First-Order Logic [Enderton, 2002] and F-Logic [Kifer et al., 1995].
We start with the definition of the basic vocabulary for building logical expressions. Then, we define how the elements of the basic vocabulary can be composed in order to obtain admissible logical expressions. Definition 2.1 defines the notion of a vocabulary \( V \) of a WSML language \( L \).

**Definition 2.1.** A vocabulary \( V \) of a WSML language \( L(V) \) consists of the following:

- A set of identifiers \( V_{id} \)
- A set of object constructors \( V_O \)
- A set of function symbols \( V_F \)
- A set of datatypes \( V_D \)
- A set of relation identifiers \( V_R \)
- A set of anonymous identifiers \( V_A \)
- A set of variable identifiers \( V_V \)

Object constructors are those elements of \( V \) that can be either functional symbols, datatype wrappers, data values, or anonymous identifiers.

WSML allows the following logical connectives: **and**, **or**, **implies**, **impliesBy**, **equivalent**, **neg**, **naf**, **forall** and **exists** and the following auxiliary symbols: ‘\( ^{1}\)’, ‘\( ^{2}\)’, ‘\( ^{\ast}\)’, ‘\( ^{\ast 2}\)’, ‘\( ^{\ast \ast}\)’, ‘\( ^{2\ast}\)’, ‘\( ^{\ast 2\ast}\)’, ‘\( ^{\ast \ast \ast}\)’, ‘\( ^{\ast \ast \ast 2}\)’, ‘\( ^{2\ast \ast}\)’, ‘\( ^{\ast 2\ast \ast}\)’, ‘\( ^{\ast \ast \ast \ast}\)’, ‘\( ^{\ast \ast \ast \ast 2}\)’, ‘\( ^{2\ast \ast \ast}\)’, ‘\( ^{\ast 2\ast \ast \ast}\)’, ‘\( ^{\ast \ast \ast \ast \ast}\)’, ‘\( ^{\ast \ast \ast \ast \ast 2}\)’, ‘\( ^{2\ast \ast \ast \ast}\)’, ‘\( ^{\ast 2\ast \ast \ast \ast}\)’, ‘\( ^{\ast \ast \ast \ast \ast \ast}\)’, ‘\( ^{\ast \ast \ast \ast \ast \ast 2}\)’, ‘\( ^{2\ast \ast \ast \ast \ast}\)’, ‘\( ^{\ast 2\ast \ast \ast \ast \ast}\)’, ‘\( ^{\ast \ast \ast \ast \ast \ast \ast}\)’. The precedence of the operators is as follows: **implies**, **equivalent**, **impliesBy < or**, **and < neg**, **naf**. Here, \( op_2 < op_1 \) means that operator \( op_2 \) binds stronger than operator \( op_1 \). The precedence prevents extensive use of parenthesis and thus helps to achieve a better readability of logical expressions.

To enhance the readability of logical expressions it is possible to abbreviate a conjunction of several molecules with the same subject as...
one compound molecule. E.g., the three molecules

\[
\text{Human} \text{ subConceptOf Mammal and Human}[\text{hasName ofType foaf#name}] \text{ and Human}[\text{hasChild impliesType Human}]
\]

can be written as

\[
\text{Human}[\text{hasName ofType foaf#name, hasChild impliesType Human}] \text{ subConceptOf Mammal}
\]

The following are examples of WSML logical expressions (note that variables are implicitly universally quantified):

No human can be both male and female:

\[
\neg \exists x[\text{gender hasValue } (?y, ?z) \text{ memberOf Human and } ?y = \text{Male and } ?z = \text{Female}].
\]

A human who is not a man is a woman:

\[
\exists x[\text{gender hasValue Woman} \text{ impliedBy neg } \exists x[\text{gender hasValue Man}]].
\]

The brother of a parent is an uncle:

\[
\exists x[\text{uncle hasValue } ?z \text{ impliedBy } \exists x[\text{parent hasValue } ?y] \text{ and } ?y[\text{brother hasValue } ?z]].
\]

Do not trust strangers:

\[
\exists x[\text{distrust hasValue } ?y]: \text{ naf } \exists x[\text{knows hasValue } ?y].
\]

WSML keywords are allowed in the WSML logical expression syntax. Additionally, WSML allows the keywords 'true' and 'false' in the human-readable syntax.
3 WSML-Core

As described in the introduction to this Part, there are several WSML language variants with different underlying logical formalisms. The two main logical formalisms exploited in the different WSML language variants are Description Logics [Baader et al., 2003] (exploited in WSML-DL) and Rule Languages [Lloyd, 1987] (exploited in WSML-Flight and WSML-Rule). WSML-Core, which is described in this chapter, marks the intersection of both formalisms. WSML-Full, which is the union of both paradigms, is described in Chapter 7.

WSML-Core is based on the Logic Programming subset of Description Logics described in [Grosof et al., 2003]. More specifically, WSML-Core is based on plain (function- and negation-free) Datalog, thus, the decidability and complexity results of Datalog apply to WSML-Core as well. The most important result is that Datalog is data complete for P, which means that query answering can be done in polynomial time.\(^2\)

Many of the syntactical restrictions imposed by WSML-Core are a consequence of the limitation of WSML-Core to Description Logic Programs as defined in [Grosof et al., 2003].

This chapter is further structured as follows. We first introduce basics of the WSML-Core syntax, such as the use of namespaces, identifiers, etc. in Section 3.1. We describe the restrictions WSML-Core poses on the modeling of ontologies, goals, mediators and web services in sections 3.2, 3.3, 3.4 and 3.5, respectively. Finally, we describe the restrictions on logical expressions in WSML-Core in Section 3.6.

3.1 WSML-Core Syntax Basics

WSML-Core inherits the basics of the WSML syntax specified in Section 2.1. In this section we describe restrictions WSML-Core poses on the syntax basics.

WSML-Core restricts the use of identifiers. The vocabulary of WSML-Core is separated similarly to OWL DL.

Definition 3.1. A WSML-Core vocabulary \( V \) follows the following restrictions:

- \( V_C, V_D, V_R, V_I \) and \( V_{ANN} \) are the sets of concept, datatype, relation, instance and annotation identifiers. These sets are all subsets of the set of IRIs and are pairwise disjoint.
- The set of attribute names is equivalent to \( V_R \).
- The set of relation identifiers \( V_R \) is split into two disjoint sets, \( V_{RA} \) and \( V_{RC} \), which correspond to relations with an abstract and relations with a concrete range, respectively.

The arguments of a datatype wrapper in WSML-Core can only be strings, integers or decimals. No other arguments, also not variables, are allowed for such data terms.

3.2 WSML-Core Ontologies

In this section we explain the restrictions on the WSML ontology modeling elements imposed by WSML-Core. The restrictions posed on the conceptual syntax for ontologies is necessary because of the restriction imposed on WSML-Core by the chosen underlying logical formalism (the intersection of Datalog and Description Logics), cf. [Grosof et al., 2003].

The grammar fragments shown in the following subsections only concern those parts of the grammar which are different from the general WSML grammar.

3.2.1 Concepts

WSML-Core poses a number of restrictions on attribute definitions. Most of these restrictions stem from the fact that it is not possible to express constraints in WSML-Core, other than for datatypes.

WSML-Core does not allow for the specification of the attribute features reflexive, transitive, symmetric, inverseOf and subAttributeOf. This restriction stems from the fact that reflexivity, transitivity, symmetricity and inverse of attributes are defined locally to a concept in WSML as opposed to Description Logics or OWL. You can however define global transitivity, symmetricity and invariance of attributes just like in DLs or OWL by defining respective axioms (cf. Definition 3.3 below).

Cardinality constraints are not allowed and thus it is not possible to specify functional properties.

One may not specify constraining attribute definitions, other than for datatype ranges. In other words, attribute definitions of the form: \( A \text{ ofType } D \) are not allowed, unless \( D \) is a datatype identifier.

\[
\text{attribute} = [\text{attr}: \text{id} \text{ att type} \text{ [type]: \text{id} \text{ annotations}?}]
\]

3.2.2 Relations

WSML-Core does not allow for the specification of relations.

3.2.3 Instances

In WSML-Core, nested molecules in attributes values are not allowed. The only allowed values as attribute values are strings, numbers, ids, or a list of such values.

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{instance} & = \text{‘instance’ id? memberof? annotations? attributevalue}\text*  \\
\text{memberof} & = \text{‘memberOf’ idlist}  \\
\text{attributevalue} & = \text{id ‘hasValue’ valuelistnonest}  \\
\text{valuelistnonest} & = \text{instattvalue}  \\
& | \‘{‘ instattvalue moreinstattvalues* ‘}’
\end{align*}
\]
in WSML-Core follow the common WSML syntax. The logical expressions in the 'assumptions', 'preconditions', 'effects' and 'postconditions' of a capability and 'definition' of a non-functional property are limited to WSML-Core logical expressions.

3.3. Mediators in WSML-Core

Mediators in WSML-Core follow the common WSML syntax.

3.4. Mediators in WSML-Core

WSML-Core allows only a restricted form of logical expressions. There are two sources for these restrictions. Namely, the restriction of the language to a subset of Description Logics restricts the kind of formulas which can be written down to the two-variable fragment of first-order logic. Furthermore, it disallows the use of function symbols and restricts the arity of predicates to unary and binary and the language to a subset of Description Logics restricts the kind of formulas which can be written down to the two-variable fragment of first-order logic. Furthermore, it disallows the use of function symbols and restricts the arity of predicates to unary and binary.

Definition 3.2. The set of atomic formulae in $L(V)$ is defined as follows:

- $\gamma$ subConceptOf $\Gamma$ is an atomic formula in $L(V)$
- $\phi$ memberOf $\Gamma$ is an atomic formula in $L(V)$
- $\forall s$ ofType $\Delta$ is an atomic formula in $L(V)$
- $\forall \{ p \text{ impliesType} \Gamma \}$ is an atomic formula in $L(V)$
- $\forall \{ p \text{ hasValue} \psi \}$ is an atomic formula in $L(V)$
- $\forall \{ s \text{ hasValue} \text{Val} \}$ is an atomic formula in $L(V)$

Let $Var_1, Var_2, ...$ be arbitrary WSML variables. We call molecules of the form $Var_1$ memberOf $\Gamma$, $a$-molecules, and molecules of the forms, $Var_1$ hasValue $Var_2$ and $Var_1$ hasValue $\{ Var_1, Var_2 \}$, $b$-molecules, respectively.

In the following, $F$ stands for an lhs-formula (i.e., a formula allowed in the antecedent, or left-hand side, of an implication), with the set of lhs-formulae defined as follows:

- Any $b$-molecule is an lhs-formula
  - if $F_1$ and $F_2$ are lhs-formulae, then $F_1$ and $F_2$ is an lhs-formula
  - if $F_1$ and $F_2$ are lhs-formulae, then $F_1$ or $F_2$ is an lhs-formula

In the following, $G$ and $H$ stand for rhs-formulae (i.e., formulae allowed in the consequent, or right-hand side, of an implication), with the set of rhs-formulae defined as follows:

- Any $a$-molecule is an rhs-formula
  - if $G$ and $H$ are rhs-formulae, then $G$ and $H$ is an rhs-formula

Definition 3.3. The set of WSML-Core formulae is defined as follows:

- Any atomic formula is a formula in $L(V)$.
- If $F_1, F_2, ..., F_n$ are formulae, then $F_1, F_2, ..., F_n$ is a formula in $L(V)$.
- $\forall \{ p \text{ hasValue} Var_2 \}$ impliesBy $\forall \{ p \text{ hasValue} Var_3 \}$ and $\forall \{ p \text{ hasValue} Var_2 \}$ (globally transitive attribute/relation) is a formula in $L(V)$.
- $\forall \{ p \text{ hasValue} Var_3 \}$ impliesBy $\forall \{ p \text{ hasValue} Var_1 \}$ (globally symmetric attribute/relation) is a formula in $L(V)$.
- $\forall \{ p \text{ hasValue} Var_2 \}$ impliesBy $\forall \{ q \text{ hasValue} Var_2 \}$ (globally sub-attribute/relation) is a formula in $L(V)$.
- $\forall \{ p \text{ hasValue} Var_2 \}$ impliesBy $\forall \{ q \text{ hasValue} Var_1 \}$ (globally inverse attribute/relation) is a formula in $L(V)$.
- $G$ equivalent $H$ is a formula in $L(V)$ if it contains only one WSML variable.
- $H$ impliesBy $F$ (and $F$ implies $H$) is a formula in $L(V)$ if all the WSML variables occurring in $H$ occur in $F$ as well and the variable graph of $F$ is connected and acyclic.
- $H$ impliesBy $G$ (and $G$ implies $H$) is a formula in $L(V)$ if all the WSML variables occurring in $H$ occur in $G$ as well.
- Any occurrence of a molecule of the form $\forall \{ p \text{ hasValue} Var_2 \}$ in a WSML-Core clause can be interchanged with $p(Var_1, Var_2)$ (i.e., these two forms can be used interchangeably in WSML Core).
Here, the variable graph of a logical expression $E$ is defined as the undirected graph having all WSML variables in $E$ as nodes and an edge between $Var_1$ and $Var_2$ for every molecule $Var_1[p \text{ hasValue } Var_2]$.

Note that wherever an a-molecule (or b-molecule) is allowed in a WSML-Core clause, compound molecules abbreviating conjunctions of a-molecules (or b-molecules, respectively), as mentioned in the end of Section 2.8 above, are also allowed.

The following are examples of WSML-Core logical expressions:

The attribute ‘hasAncestor’ is transitive:

$$\forall x(\text{hasAncestor} \text{ hasValue } ?z \text{ impliedBy } \forall x(\text{hasAncestor} \text{ hasValue } ?y \text{ and } \forall y(\text{hasAncestor} \text{ hasValue } ?z)).$$

A female person is a woman:

$$\forall x \text{ memberOf} \text{ Woman} \text{ impliedBy } \forall x \text{ memberOf} \text{ Person} \text{ and } \forall x \text{ memberOf} \text{ Female}$$

A student is a person:

$$\text{Student subConceptOf Person}.$$
4. WSML-DL

WSML-DL is an extension of WSML-Core to a full-fledged description logic with an expressiveness similar to OWL DL, namely SHIQ(D). WSML-DL is both syntactically and semantically completely layered on top of WSML-Core. This means that every valid WSML-Core specification is also a valid WSML-DL specification. Furthermore, all consequences inferred from a WSML-Core specification are also valid consequences of the same specification in WSML-DL. Finally, if a WSML-DL specification falls inside the WSML-Core fragment then all consequences with respect to the WSML-DL semantics also hold with respect to the WSML-Core semantics.

Same as OWL, WSML-DL does not adhere to the Unique Name Assumption (UNA). This means that having two different names does not mean that these refer to two different individuals.

All restrictions on the general conceptual modeling syntax of WSML, introduced in Chapter 2, imposed by WSML-Core, also holds for WSML-DL. The difference between WSML-Core and WSML-DL lies in the logical expression syntax. The logical expression syntax of WSML-DL is less restrictive than the logical expression syntax of WSML-Core. The remainder of this chapter defines the logical expression syntax allowed in WSML-DL.

4.1. WSML-DL Logical Expression Syntax

WSML-DL allows only a restricted form of logical expressions, as an extension of the WSML-Core logical expression syntax. The source of the restrictions on WSML-DL is the fact that the language is restricted to the SHIQ(D) subset of First-Order logic [Borgida, 1996]. This subset is close to the two-variable fragment of First-Order Logic (the only description that needs more than two variables is the description of transitive roles); it disallows the use of function symbols, restricts the arity of predicates to unary and binary and prohibits chaining variables over predicates.

Currently the WSML-DL logical expression syntax is specified in first-order logic style. The resulting language is not very user-centric, so that it is hard to use the full expressivity that Description Logics provide to WSML-DL. This is why we will propose a new DL-based alternative, non-normative, surface syntax in the next release of this deliverable.

Definition 4.1. Any WSML-Core vocabulary V is a WSML-DL vocabulary.

Definition 4.2. The set of atomic formulae, also called molecules in \( L(V) \) is defined as follows:

- \( \varphi \text{ memberOf } \Gamma \) is an atomic formula in \( L(V) \)
- \( \gamma \text{ subConceptOf } \Gamma \) is an atomic formula in \( L(V) \)
- \( \forall \ s \text{ ofType } \Delta \) is an atomic formula in \( L(V) \)
- \( \forall \ s \text{ impliesType } \Delta \) is an atomic formula in \( L(V) \)
- \( \forall \ p \text{ impliesType } \Gamma \) is an atomic formula in \( L(V) \)
- \( \forall \ p \text{ hasValue } \psi \) is an atomic formula in \( L(V) \)
- \( \forall \ s \text{ hasValue } Var \) is an atomic formula in \( L(V) \)
- If \( a \) and \( b \) then \( a = b \) is an atomic formula in \( L(V) \)

Let \( Var_1, Var_2, \ldots \) be arbitrary WSML variables. We call molecules of the form \( Var_i \text{ memberOf } \Gamma \) a-molecules, and molecules of the forms \( Var_j \text{ hasValue } Var_k \) and \( Var_j \text{ hasValue } \{Var_{k+1}, Var_j\} \) b-molecules, respectively.

Similar to most definitions of Description Logics, we distinguish between descriptions and formulae.

Definition 4.3. The set of descriptions in \( L(V) \) is defined as follows:

- Any a-molecule or b-molecule is a description in \( L(V) \).
- \( \text{true, false} \) are descriptions in \( L(V) \).
- If \( F_1 \) and \( F_2 \) are descriptions in \( L(V) \) and \( G \) is a b-molecule, then:
  - \( F_1 \text{ and } F_2 \) is a description in \( L(V) \).
  - \( F_1 \text{ or } F_2 \) is a description in \( L(V) \).
  - \( \neg F_1 \) is a description in \( L(V) \).
  - \( \forall \text{ forall } Var \text{ and } G \text{ implies } F_1 \) is a description in \( L(V) \).
  - \( \exists \text{ exists } Var \text{ and } G \text{ and } F_1 \text{ and } \neg \) (\( Var_1 = Var_2 \)) and \( \ldots \) and \( \neg \) (\( Var_n = Var_1 \)) and \( \ldots \) and \( \neg \) (\( Var_{n+1} = Var_n \)) (minimal cardinality) is a description in \( L(V) \).
  - \( \forall \text{ forall } Var \text{ and } G \text{ and } F_1 \text{ implies } Var_1 = Var_2 \) or \( \ldots \) or \( Var_1 = Var_2 \) or \( \ldots \) or \( Var_n = Var_{n+1} \) (maximal cardinality) is a description in \( L(V) \).

The variable graph of a description \( F \) is defined as the undirected graph having all WSML variables in \( F \) as nodes and an edge between \( Var_1 \) and \( Var_2 \) for every molecule \( \{p \text{ hasValue } Var_2\} \).

In the following, \( F_1 \) and \( F_2 \) stand for WSML-DL descriptions with connected, acyclic variable graphs; furthermore, the variable graphs of \( F_1 \) and \( F_2 \) can be seen as trees which share the same root node. \( G \) stands for a WSML-DL formula.

Definition 4.4. The set of WSML-DL formulae in \( L(V) \) is defined as follows:

- Any atomic formula is a formula in \( L(V) \).
- If \( a \) and \( b \) then \( a = b \) is a formula in \( L(V) \).
- Any description \( F_1 \) and \( F_2 \) is a formula in \( L(V) \).
- \( F_1 \text{ implies } F_2 \) is a formula in \( L(V) \).
- \( F_1 \text{ impliedBy } F_2 \) is a formula in \( L(V) \).
- \( F_1 \text{ equivalent } F_2 \) is a formula in \( L(V) \).
- \( \forall \text{ forall } Var_i(G) \) is a formula in \( L(V) \).
- \( Var_j \{p \text{ hasValue } Var_k\} \text{ impliedBy } Var_j \{p \text{ hasValue } Var_j\} \) and \( Var_j \{p \text{ hasValue } Var_j\} \) (globally transitive attribute/relation) is a formula in \( L(V) \).
- \( \text{Var}_1[p \ \text{hasValue} \ \text{Var}_2] \text{ impliedBy} \ \text{Var}_1[p \ \text{hasValue} \ \text{Var}_1] \) (globally symmetric attribute/relation) is a formula in \( L(V) \).
- \( \text{Var}_1[p \ \text{hasValue} \ \text{Var}_1] \text{ impliedBy} \ \text{Var}_1[q \ \text{hasValue} \ \text{Var}_2] \) (globally sub-attribute/relation) is a formula in \( L(V) \).
- \( \text{Var}_1[p \ \text{hasValue} \ \text{Var}_2] \text{ impliedBy} \ \text{Var}_1[q \ \text{hasValue} \ \text{Var}_1] \) (globally inverse attribute/relation) is a formula in \( L(V) \).

Note that the top level implication, inverse implication or equivalence is not needed. If it is omitted, a formula \( F \) is implicitly implied by \( \text{true} \):
\[ \text{true} \implies F. \]

All variables that are not explicitly quantified are implicitly universally quantified. This entails the possibility to embed WSML-DL formulae in an outer universal quantification.

Also note that wherever an a-molecule (or b-molecule) is allowed in a WSML-DL clause, compound molecules abbreviating conjunctions of a-molecules (or b-molecules, respectively), as mentioned in the end of Section 2.8 above, are also allowed.

The following are examples of WSML-DL logical expressions:

The concept Human is defined as the disjunction between Man and Woman.

\[
?x \ \text{memberOf} \ \text{Human} \\
\text{equivalent} \\
?x \ \text{memberOf} \ \text{Woman} \lor ?x \ \text{memberOf} \ \text{Man}.
\]

The concepts Man and Woman are disjoint.

\[
?x \ \text{memberOf} \ \text{Man} \\
\text{implies} \\
\neg ?x \ \text{memberOf} \ \text{Woman}.
\]

Every Human has a father, which is a Human and every father is a Human.

\[
?x \ \text{memberOf} \ \text{Human} \\
\text{implies} \\
\exists y ( \\
?x [\text{father} \ \text{hasValue} \ y] \\
\text{and} \ ?y \ \text{memberOf} \ \text{Human} ) \\
\text{and} \\
\forall y ( \\
?x [\text{father} \ \text{hasValue} \ y] \\
\text{implies} \ ?y \ \text{memberOf} \ \text{Human} ).
\]

The following are examples of WSML-DL logical expressions:
5. WSML-Flight

WSML-Flight is both syntactically and semantically completely layered on top of WSML-Core. This means that every valid WSML-Core specification is also a valid WSML-Flight specification. Furthermore, all consequences inferred from a WSML-Core specification are also valid consequences of the same specification in WSML-Flight. Finally, if a WSML-Flight specification fails inside the WSML-Core fragment then all consequences with respect to the WSML-Flight semantics also hold with respect to the WSML-Core semantics.

WSML-Flight adds the following features to WSML-Core:

- N-ary relations with arbitrary parameters
- Constraining attribute definitions for the abstract domain
- Cardinality constraints
- (Locally Stratified) default negation in logical expressions (in the body of the rule)
- Expressive logical expressions, namely, the full Datalog subset of F-Logic, extended with inequality (in the body) and locally stratified head-formula $\beta$
- Meta-modeling. WSML-Flight no longer requires a separation of vocabulary (wrt. concepts, instances, relations)

Default negation means that the negation of a fact is true, unless the fact is known to be true. Locally stratified negation means that the definition of a particular predicate does not negatively depend on itself.

Section 5.1 defines the restrictions on logical expressions in WSML-Flight. Section 5.2 outlines the differences between WSML-Core and WSML-Flight.

5.1. WSML-Flight Logical Expression Syntax

WSML-Flight is a rule language based on the Datalog subset of F-Logic, extended with locally stratified default negation, the inequality symbol $\neq$ and the unification operator $\equiv$. Furthermore, WSML-Flight allows monotonic Lloyd-Topor [Lloyd and Topor, 1984], which means that we allow classical implication and conjunction in the head of a rule and we allow disjunction in the body of a rule.

The head and the body of a rule are separated using the Logic Programming implication symbol `:-'. This additional symbol is required because negation-as-failure (naf) is not defined for classical implication (implies, impliedBy). WSML-Flight allows classical implication in the head of the rule. Consequently, every WSML-Core logical expression is a WSML-Flight rule with an empty body.

The syntax for logical expressions of WSML Flight is the same as described in Section 2.8 with the restrictions described in the following. We define the notion of a WSML-Flight vocabulary in Definition 5.1.

Definition 5.1. Any WSML vocabulary (see Definition 2.1) is a WSML-Flight vocabulary.

Definition 5.2 defines the set of WSML-Flight terms $\text{Term}_\text{Flight}(V)$ for a given vocabulary $V$.

Definition 5.2. Given a vocabulary $V$, the set of terms $\text{Term}_\text{Flight}(V)$ in WSML-Flight is defined as follows:

- Any $t$ $\in V$ is a term.
- Any $v$ $\in V$ is a term
- If $d$ $\in V_D$ and $dv_1, ..., dv_n$ in $V_{DV}$, then $d(dv_1, ..., dv_n)$ is a term.

As usual, the set of ground terms $\text{GroundTerm}_\text{Flight}(V)$ is the maximal subset of $\text{Term}_\text{Flight}(V)$ which does not contain variables.

Definition 5.3. Given a set of WSML-Flight terms $\text{Term}_\text{Flight}(V)$, an atomic formula in $L(V)$ is defined by:

- If $r$ $\in V_R$ and $t_1, ..., t_n$ are terms, then $r(t_1, ..., t_n)$ is an atomic formula in $L(V)$.
- If $a$, $\beta$ $\in \text{Term}_\text{Flight}(V)$ then $a = \beta$, and $a \neq \beta$ are atomic formulae in $L(V)$.
- If $a$, $\beta$ $\in \text{Term}_\text{Flight}(V)$ and $y$ $\in \text{Term}(V)$ or $y$ is of the form $\{v_1, ..., v_n\}$ with $v_1, ..., v_n$ $\in \text{Term}_\text{Flight}(V)$, then:
  - $\alpha \text{subConceptOf} \beta$ is an atomic formula in $L(V)$
  - $\alpha \text{memberOf} y$ is an atomic formula in $L(V)$
  - $\alpha \text{offType} y$ is an atomic formula in $L(V)$
  - $\alpha \text{impliesType} y$ is an atomic formula in $L(V)$
  - $\alpha \text{hasValue} y$ is an atomic formula in $L(V)$

A ground atomic formula is an atomic formula with no variables.

Definition 5.4. Given a WSML-Flight vocabulary $V$, the set of formulae in $L(V)$ is recursively defined as follows:

- We define the set of admissible head formulae $\text{Head}(V)$ as follows:
  - Any atomic formula $a$ which does not contain the inequality symbol ($\neq$) or the unification operator ($\equiv$) is in $\text{Head}(V)$.
  - Let $\alpha = \text{Head}(V)$, then $\alpha$ and $\beta$ is in $\text{Head}(V)$.
  - Given two formulae $\alpha$, $\beta$ such that $\alpha$, $\beta$ do not contain {implies, impliedBy, equivalent}, the following formulae are in $\text{Head}(V)$:
    - $\alpha \text{implies} \beta$, if $\beta$ $\text{Head}(V)$ and $\alpha$ $\text{Head}(V)$ or $\alpha$ $\text{Body}(V)$
    - $\alpha \text{impliesBy} \beta$, if $\alpha$ $\text{Head}(V)$ and $\beta$ $\text{Head}(V)$ or $\beta$ $\text{Body}(V)$
    - $\alpha \text{equivalent} \beta$ if $\alpha$ $\text{Head}(V)$ or $\alpha$ $\text{Body}(V)$ and $\beta$ $\text{Head}(V)$ or $\beta$ $\text{Body}(V)$
- Any variable-free admissible head formula in $\text{Head}(V)$ is a formula in $L(V)$.

- We define the set of admissible body formulae $\text{Body}(V)$ as follows:
  - Any atomic formula $a$ is in $\text{Body}(V)$
  - For any atomic formula $a$, $\text{naf} a$ is in $\text{Body}(V)$.
  - For $a$, $\text{Body}(V)$, $a$ and $\beta$ is in $\text{Body}(V)$.
  - For $a$, $\text{Body}(V)$, $a$ or $\beta$ is in $\text{Body}(V)$.
  - Given a head-formula $\beta$ $\text{Head}(V)$ and a body-formula $\alpha$ $\text{Body}(V)$, $\beta$ or $\alpha$ is a formula. Here we call $\alpha$ the body and $\beta$ the head of the formula. The formula is admissible if (1) $\alpha$ is an admissible body formula, (2) $\beta$ is an admissible head formula, and (3) the safety condition holds.
  - Any formula of the form !- $\alpha$ with $\alpha$ $\text{Body}(V)$ is an admissible formula and is called a constraint.
The Logic Programming implication symbol !- is not absolutely needed. If it is missing, a formula is in Head.

As with the general WSML logical expression syntax, <-, -> and <-> can be seen as synonyms of the keywords implies, impliedBy and equivalent, respectively.

In order to check the safety condition for a WSML-Flight rule, the following transformations should be applied until no transformation rule is applicable:

- Rules of the form \( A_1 \text{ and } ... \text{ and } A_n !- B \) are split into \( n \) different rules:
  - \( A_1 !- B \)
  - ...
  - \( A_n !- B \)
- Rules of the form \( A_1 \text{ equivalent } A_2 !- B \) are split into 2 rules:
  - \( A_1 \text{ implies } A_2 !- B \)
  - \( A_1 \text{ impliedBy } A_2 !- B \)
- Rules of the form \( A_1 \text{ implies } A_2 !- B \) are transformed to:
  - \( A_1 :- A_2 \text{ and } B \)
- Rules of the form \( A_1 \text{ impliesBy } A_2 !- B \) are transformed to:
  - \( A_2 :- A_1 \text{ and } B \)
- Rules of the form \( A :- B_1 \text{ and } (F \text{ or } G) \text{ and } B_2 \) are split into two different rules:
  - \( A :- B_1 \text{ and } F \text{ and } B_2 \)
  - \( A :- B_1 \text{ and } G \text{ and } B_2 \)
- Rules of the form \( A :- B_1 \text{ and } \text{ naf } (F \text{ and } G) \text{ and } B_2 \) are split into two different rules:
  - \( A :- B_1 \text{ and } \text{ naf } F \text{ and } B_2 \)
  - \( A :- B_1 \text{ and } \text{ naf } G \text{ and } B_2 \)
- Rules of the form \( A :- B_1 \text{ and } \text{ naf } naf (F \text{ or } G) \text{ and } B_2 \) are transformed to:
  - \( A :- B_1 \text{ and } \text{ naf } F \text{ and } \text{ naf } G \text{ and } B_2 \)
- Rules of the form \( A :- B_1 \text{ and } \text{ naf } naf naf (F \text{ or } G) \text{ and } B_2 \) are transformed to:
  - \( A :- B_1 \text{ and } \text{ naf } F \text{ and } \text{ naf } B_2 \)

Application of these transformation rules yields a set of WSML-Flight rules with only one atomic formula in the head and a conjunction of literals in the body.

The safety condition holds for a WSML-Flight rule if every variable which occurs in the rule occurs in a positive body literal which does not correspond to a built-in predicate. For example, the following rules are not safe and thus not allowed in WSML-Flight:

\[
\begin{align*}
  p(?x) & :- q(?y). \\
  a[b \text{ hasValue } ?x] & :- ?x > 25. \\
  ?x[b \text{ hasValue } \text{ male}] & :- \text{ naf } ?x[b \text{ hasValue } \text{ female}].
\end{align*}
\]

We require each WSML-Flight knowledge base to be locally stratified. For more details on local stratification please refer to [de Bruijn, 2007].

The following are examples of WSML-Flight logical expressions (note that variables are implicitly universally quantified):

No human can be both male and female:

\[
\text{!- } ?x[b \text{ hasValue } \{?y, ?z\}] b \text{ memberOf Human and } ?y = \text{ Male} \text{ and } ?z = \text{ Female}.
\]

The brother of a parent is an uncle:

\[
?x[b \text{ hasValue } \text{ male}] :- \text{ naf } ?x[b \text{ hasValue } \text{ female}].
\]

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\text{!- } ?x[b \text{ hasValue } \{?y, ?z\}] b \text{ memberOf Human and } ?y = \text{ Male} \text{ and } ?z = \text{ Female}.
\]

The brother of a parent is an uncle:

\[
?x[b \text{ hasValue } \text{ male}] :- \text{ naf } ?x[b \text{ hasValue } \text{ female}].
\]

Do not trust strangers:

\[
?x[d \text{ distrust } \text{ hasValue } ?y] :- \text{ naf } ?x[d \text{ knows } \text{ hasValue } ?y \text{ and } ?x \text{ memberOf Human and } ?y \text{ memberOf Human}.
\]

5.2. Differences between WSML-Core and WSML-Flight

The features added by WSML-Flight compared with WSML-Core are the following: Allows n-ary relations with arbitrary parameters, constraining attribute definitions for the abstract domain, cardinality constraints, (locally stratified) default negation in logical expressions, (in)equality in the logical language (in the body of the rule), Full-fledged rule language (based on the Datalog subset of F-Logic).
6. WSML-Rule

WSML-Rule is an extension of WSML-Flight in the direction of Logic Programming. WSML-Rule no longer requires safety of rules and allows the use of function symbols. The only differences between WSML-Rule and WSML-Flight are in the logical expression syntax.

WSML-Rule is both syntactically and semantically layered on top of WSML-Flight and thus each valid WSML-Flight specification is a valid WSML-Rule specification. Because the only differences between WSML-Flight and WSML-Rule are in the logical expression syntax, we do not explain the conceptual syntax for WSML-Rule.

Section 6.1 defines the logical expression syntax of WSML-Rule. Section 6.2 outlines the differences between WSML-Flight and WSML-Rule.

6.1. WSML-Rule Logical Expression Syntax

WSML-Rule is a simple extension of WSML-Flight. WSML-Rule allows the unrestricted use of function symbols and no longer requires the safety condition, i.e., variables which occur in the head are not required to occur in the body of the rule.

The syntax for logical expressions of WSML Rule is the same as described in Section 2.8 with the restrictions which are described in the following: we define the notion of a WSML-Rule vocabulary in Definition 6.1.

Definition 6.1. Any WSML vocabulary (see Definition 2.3) is a WSML-Rule vocabulary.

Definition 6.2 defines the set of terms Term(V) for a given vocabulary V.

Definition 6.2. Any WSML term (see Definition 2.2) is a WSML Rule term. As usual, the set of ground terms GroundTerm(V) is the maximal subset of Term(V) which does not contain variables.

Definition 6.3. Given a set of WSML-Rule terms TermRule(V), an atomic formula in L(V) is defined by:

- If r V and t₁, ..., tₙ are terms, then (t₁, ..., tₙ) is an atomic formula in L(V).
- If α, β TermRule(V) then α = β and α ≠ β are atomic formulae in L(V).
- If α, β TermRule(V) and γ Term(V) or γ is of the form (y₁,...,yₙ) with y₁,...,yₙ TermRule(V), then:
  - α subConceptOf γ is an atomic formula in L(V)
  - α memberOf γ is an atomic formula in L(V)
  - α ofType γ is an atomic formula in L(V)
  - α impliesType γ is an atomic formula in L(V)
  - α hasValue γ is an atomic formula in L(V)

A ground atomic formula is an atomic formula with no variables.

Definition 6.4. Given a WSML-Rule vocabulary V, the set of formulae in L(V) is recursively defined as follows:

- We define the set of admissible head formulae Head(V) as follows:
  - Any atomic formula α which does not contain the inequality symbol (=) or the unification operator (≈) is in Head(V).
  - Let α, β Head(V), then α and β is in Head(V).
  - Given two formulae α, β such that α, β do not contain { implies, impliedBy, equivalent }, the following formulae are in Head(V):
    - α implies β, if β Head(V) and α Head(V) or α Body(V)
    - α impliedBy β, if α Head(V) and β Head(V) or β Body(V)
    - α equivalent β if α Head(V) or α Body(V) and β Head(V) or β Body(V)

- Any admissible head formula in Head(V) is a formula in L(V).

- We define the set of admissible body formulae Body(V) as follows:
  - Any atomic formula a is in Body(V)
  - For a Body(V), if a is in Body(V).
  - For a Body(V), a and b is in Body(V).
  - For a, b Body(V), a or b is in Body(V).
  - For a, b Body(V), a implies b is in Body(V).
  - For a, b Body(V), a impliedBy b is in Body(V).
  - For a, b Body(V), a equivalent b is in Body(V).
  - For variables x₁,...,xₙ and a Body(V), for all x₁,...,xₙ (a) is in Body(V).
  - For variables x₁,...,xₙ and a Body(V), exists x₁,...,xₙ (a) is in Body(V).

- Given a head-formula β Head(V) and a body-formula a Body(V), β a is a formula. Here we call a the body and β the head of the formula. The formula is admissible if (1) a is an admissible body formula, (2) β is an admissible head formula.

- Any formula of the form ! a Body(V) is an admissible formula and is called a constraint.

- The Logic Programming implication symbol ⊢ is not absolutely needed. If it is missing, a formula is in Head.

As with the general WSML logical expression syntax, <-, -> and <-> can be seen as synonyms of the keywords implies, impliedBy and equivalent, respectively.

The following are examples of WSML-Rule logical expressions:

Both the father and the mother are parents:

?x{father hasValue ?y} :- ?x{father hasValue ?y} or ?x{mother hasValue ?y}.

Every person has a father:

?x{father hasValue (?x)} :- ?x memberOf Person.

There may only be one distance between two locations, and the distance between locations A and B is the same as the distance
between $B$ and $A$:

\[
\text{distance}(\text{location}_1, \text{location}_2, \text{distance}_1) \text{ and } \\
\text{distance}(\text{location}_1, \text{location}_2, \text{distance}_2) \text{ and } \text{distance}_1 \neq \text{distance}_2. \\
\text{distance}('B', 'A', \text{distance}) :- \\
\text{distance}('A', 'B', \text{distance}).
\]

**6.2. Differences between WSML-Flight and WSML-Rule**

WSML-Rule allows unsafe rules and the use of function symbols in the language.
7. WSML-Full

WSML-Full combines First-Order Logic with nonmonotonic negation in order to provide an expressive language which is able to capture all aspects of Ontology and Web Service modeling. Furthermore, WSML-Full unifies the Description Logic and Logic Programming variants of WSML, namely, WSML-DL and WSML-Rule, in a principled way, under a common syntactic and semantic umbrella.

The goal of WSML-Full is to allow the full syntactic freedom of a First-Order logic and the full syntactic freedom of a Logic Programming language with default negation in a common semantic framework. The challenge for WSML-Full is to find an extension of First-Order Logic which can properly capture default negation. One (obvious) possible extension is Reiter's default logic [Reiter, 1987]. However, at the moment the semantics of WSML-Full is still an open research issue. Note that non-monotonic extensions of First-Order Logic are notoriously hard to deal with. In fact, many (if not all) such extensions are not even semi-decidable (i.e., even if the formula is consistent, the algorithm still might not terminate).

Note that both the conceptual and logical expression syntax for WSML-Full completely corresponds with the WSML syntax introduced in Chapter 2. Note also that the WSML-Full logical expression syntax is similar to the logical language specified in WSMO D2 v1.2 [Roman et al., 2005].

7.1. Differences between WSML-DL and WSML-Full

WSML-Full adds full first-order modeling: n-ary predicates, function symbols and chaining variables over predicates. Furthermore, WSML-Full allows non-monotonic negation.

7.2. Differences between WSML-Rule and WSML-Full

WSML-Full adds disjunction, classical negation, multiple model semantics, and the equality operator.
PART III: THE WSML EXCHANGE SYNTAXES

In the previous Part we have described the WSML family of languages in terms of their human-readable syntax. This syntax might not be suitable for exchange between automated agents. Therefore, we present three exchange syntaxes for WSML in order to enable automated interoperation.

The three exchange syntaxes for WSML are:

**XML syntax:**
A syntax specifically tailored for machine processability, instead of human-readability; it is easily parsable by standard XML parsers, but is quite unreadable for humans. A complete XML syntax for WSML is defined in [Toma, 2008].

**RDF syntax**
An alternate exchange syntax for WSML is WSML/RDF. WSML/RDF can be used to leverage the currently existing RDF tools, such as triple stores, and to syntactically combine WSML/RDF descriptions with other RDF descriptions. WSML/RDF will be fully defined in [de Bruijn, 2006].

**Mapping to OWL**
The mapping to OWL is discussed in [de Bruijn, 2007] and in [Steinmetz, 2008].
Appendix A. Human-Readable Syntax

This appendix presents the complete grammar for the WSML language. The language used to write this grammar is a variant of Extended Backus Nauer Form which can be interpreted by the SableCC compiler compiler [SableCC].

We present one WSML grammar for all WSML variants. The restrictions that each variant poses on the use of the syntax are described in the respective chapters in PART II of this deliverable.

A.1. BNF-Style Grammar

In this section we show the entire WSML grammar. The grammar is specified using a dialect of Extended BNF which can be used directly in the SableCC compiler compiler [SableCC]. Terminals are quoted, non-terminals are underlined and refer to the tokens and productions. Alternatives are separated using vertical bars '|', and are labeled, where the label is enclosed in curly brackets '{'}'; optional elements are appended with a question mark '?'; elements that may occur zero or more times are appended with an asterisk '*'; elements that may occur one or more times are appended with a plus '+'.

The first part of the grammar file provides HELPERS which are used to write TOKENS. Broadly, a language has a collection of tokens (words, or the vocabulary) and rules, or PRODUCTIONS, for generating sentences using these tokens (grammar). A grammar describes an entire language using a finite set of productions of tokens or other productions; however this finite set of rules can easily allow an infinite range of valid sentences of the language they describe. Note, helpers cannot directly be used in productions. A last word concerning the IGNORED TOKENS: ignored tokens are ignored during the parsing process and are not taken into consideration when building the abstract syntax tree.
Helpers

```
all = [ 0x0 .. 0x7F ]

escape_char = %

baseChar = [ 0x0401 .. 0x05FA ] |
           [ 0x0661 .. 0x07A ]

ideographic = [ 0x4E00 .. 0x9FA5 ] |
               [ 0x3000 .. 0x3029 ]

letter = baseChar | ideographic;

digit = [ 0x0300 .. 0x0339 ]

combiningchar = [ 0x0300 .. 0x0345 ] |
                 [ 0x0300 .. 0x0381 ] |
                 [ 0x0443 .. 0x048E ]

extender = [ 0x0087 | 0x02D9 | 0x0387 |
            0x0540 | 0x05E0 |
            0x0905 | 0x0A05 |
            0x0F05 ] |
            [ 0x3031 .. 0x3035 ] |
            [ 0x309D .. 0x309E ] |
            [ 0x30FC .. 0x30FE ]

alphahun = digit | letter

handled = [ 'A' .. 'F' ] |

not_escaped_namechar = letter | digit |

escaped_namechar = ' ' | '/' | ( escaped_namechar ) |

namechar = ( escaped_char escaped_namechar ) |

reserved = [ 'A' .. 'F' ] |

not escaped_namechar |

unreserved = letter | digit | mark

long_comment_content = '
' |

begin_comment = '\\n' |

short_comment = short comment |

begin_comment = short comment | long_comment

verifier = ( [ 0x0030 .. 0x0039 ] |
            [ 0x0360 .. 0x0361 ] |
            [ 0x3021 .. 0x3029 ] |
            [ 0x3041 .. 0x3045 ] |
            [ 0x200C .. 0x200D ] |
            [ 0x200E .. 0x200F ] |
            [ 0x2020 .. 0x2028 ] |
            [ 0x202C .. 0x202F ] |
            [ 0x3000 .. 0x3029 ] |
            [ 0x202A .. 0x202B ] |
            [ 0x203F .. 0x3039 ] |
            [ 0x203A .. 0x203B ] |
            [ 0x203C .. 0x203D ] |
            [ 0x204A .. 0x204D ] |
            [ 0x2060 .. 0x206B ] |
            [ 0x206D .. 0x206F ] |
            [ 0x2070 .. 0x207F ] ]

validity = ( validity | digit ) |

valid = ( validity | digit ) |

validity = ( validity | digit ) |

valid = ( validity | digit ) |

validity = ( validity | digit ) |

valid = ( validity | digit ) |

validity = ( validity | digit ) |

valid = ( validity | digit ) |
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1. sharevariable = 'sharedVariables'
1. source = 'source'
1. subconcept = 'SubConceptOf'
1. subrelation = 'SubRelationOf'
1. symmetric = 'symmetric'
1. target = 'target'
1. transitive = 'transitive'
1. usemediator = 'useMediator'
1. useservice = 'useService'
1. webservice = 'webService'
1. wgmediator = 'wgMediator'
1. wsinvariant = 'wsinVariant'
1. wwmediator = 'wwMediator'

variable = qmark alphanum+
anonymous = '_#' digit+
 nb_anonymous = '_#' digit+
pos_integer = digit+.

pos_decimal = digit+.

string = double string_content* double

full URI = literal | literal}

name = ( literal | '_') namechar
Ignored Tokens

- t_blank
- t_comment
Productions

prefixdefinitionlist = [prefixdefinition] full id | [prefixdefinitionlist] braces prefixdefinition moreprefixdefinitions" brace
prefixdefinition = (prefixdefinition) brace prefixdefinition moreprefixdefinitions" brace
moreprefixdefinitions = comma prefixdefinition
definition = (goal) goal | (ontology) ontology | (webservice) webservice | (mediator) mediator | (capability) capability | (interface) interface
header = (annotations) annotations | (usemediator) usemediator | (importontology) importontology
usemediator = usemediator id
importontology = importontology id
annotations = annotations attributevalue | endannotations
use_service = (use_service) id?
source = source id? msources|brace
sources = (sources) source
multiple = (multiple) sources

target = (target) id?
goal = (goal) id? header" rb? innercapability? innerinterfaces"
webservice = (webservice) id? header" rb? innercapability? innerinterfaces"
capability = (capability) id? header" rb? sharedvardef? pre_post_ass_or_eff? innercapability?
innercapability = (innercapability) id? header" rb? sharedvardef? pre_post_ass_or_eff?
sharedvardef = (sharedvardef) variablelist
pre_post_ass_or_eff = (precondition) 1 precondition axiomdefinition | (postcondition) 1 postcondition axiomdefinition | (assumption) 1 assumption axiomdefinition | (effect) 1 effect axiomdefinition

interfaces = (interfaces) interface
innerinterfaces = (innerinterfaces) innerinterface
minterfaces = (minterfaces) interface
innerinterface = (innerinterface) id? interface id? minterfaces" brace
interface = (interface) id? header" rb? choreography? orchestration?
innerinterface = (innerinterface) id? header" rb? choreography? orchestration?
choreography = (choreography) id? header" statesignature?
statesignature = (statesignature) id? header" mode
mode = (mode) id? mode entry list
mode_entry_list = [mode_entry] commas mode entry list | [mode_entry_list] comma mode entry list
mode_entry = (mode_entry) mode entry
mode_id = (mode_id) id

amb = (amb) id? annotations? rule
rule = (rule) id if condition 1 then rule" 1 endif | (forall) 1 forall variablelist 1 with condition 1 do rule" 1 endforall | (choose) 1 choose variablelist 1 with condition 1 do rule" 1 endchoose | (unless) 1 unless rule" 1 endunless
condition = (restricted_id) expr
A.2. Example of the Human-Readable Syntax

wsmlVariant "http://www.wsmo.org/wsml/wsml-syntax/wsml-rule"

namespace { _"http://www.example.org/ontologies/example#",
dc       _"http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1#",
foaf _"http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/",
wsml _"http://www.wsmo.org/wsml/wsml-syntax#",
loc      _"http://www.wsmo.org/ontologies/location#",
oo       _"http://example.org/ooMediator#" }

/*****************************/

ONTOLOGY *****************************/

ontology _"http://www.example.org/ontologies/example"

annotations
dc#title hasValue "WSML example ontology"
dc#subject hasValue "family"
dc#description hasValue "fragments of a family ontology to provide WSML examples"
dc#contributor hasValue ( _"http://uibk.ac.at/~c703240/foaf.rdf",
                             _"http://uibk.ac.at/~c703239/foaf.rdf",
                             _"http://uibk.ac.at/~c703319/various/foaf.rdf" )
dc#date hasValue xsd#date(2004,11,22)
dc#format hasValue "text/html"
concepts

concept Human

concept Man

concept Woman

concept Parent

concept Child

relations

relation ageOfHuman

relation isMarriedTo

relation isAlive

relations

relation ManDisjointWoman

relations

relation ChildDef

relations

relation ValidChild

axioms

IsAlive

FunctionalDependencyAge

FunctionalDependencyAlive

ManDisjointWoman

ChildDef

ValidChild

notes

Note: ?x.hasAgeInYears > 14 would imply that the constraint is violated if the age is known to be bigger than 14; the chosen axiom neg ?x.hasAgeInYears <= 14 on the other hand says that whenever you know the age and it is less or equal 14 the constraint
is not violated, i.e. if the age is not given the constraint is violated.”

```
/* Defining complete subclasses by use of axioms */
concept Girl
  definedBy
    !- ?x memberOf Child and ageOfHuman(?x,?age) and ?age > 14.

concept Boy
  definedBy
    ?x memberOf Boy equivalent ?x memberOf Man and ?x memberOf Child.

/* This axiom implies that every child has to be either a boy or a girl */
axiom ABoy
  definedBy
    !- ?x memberOf Child and naf (?x memberOf Girl or ?x memberOf Boy).

instance Mary memberOf (Parent, Woman)
  annotations
dc#description hasValue "Mary is parent of the twins Paul and Susan"
endAnnotations
hasName hasValue "Maria Smith"
hasBirthdate hasValue xsd#date(1949,09,12)
hasChild hasValue { Paul, Susan }

instance Paul memberOf (Parent, Man)
  hasName hasValue "Paul Smith"
  hasBirthdate hasValue xsd#date(1976,08,16)
  hasChild hasValue George
  hasCitizenship hasValue oo#de

instance Susan memberOf Woman
  hasName hasValue "Susan Jones"
  hasBirthdate hasValue xsd#date(1976,08,16)

/* This will be automatically an instance of Boy, since George is a Man younger than 14. */
instance George memberOf Man
  hasName hasValue "George Smith"
  hasBirthdate hasValue xsd#date(2004,10,21)
relationInstance ageOfHuman(George, 1)
```

**WEBSERVICE**

```
webService _"http://example.org/Germany/BirthRegistration"
  annotations
dc#title hasValue "Birth registration service for Germany"
dc#type hasValue _"http://www.wsmo.org/TR/d2/v1.2/#services"
wsml#version hasValue "$Revision: 1.15 "$
endAnnotations
usesMediator (_"http://example.org/ooMediator"
  importsOntology (_"http://www.example.org/ontologies/example",
  _"http://www.wonto.org/ontologies/location"
  capability
    sharedVariables ?child
precondition
  annotations
dc#description hasValue "The input has to be boy or a girl with birthdate in the past and be born in Germany:"
endAnnotations
  definedBy
    ?child memberOf Child and ?child[hasBirthdate hasValue ?birthdate] and wsml#dateLessThan(?birthdate,wsml#currentDate())
    and ?child[hasBirthplace hasValue ?location] and {?location[locatedIn hasValue oo#de]} or (?child[hasParent hasValue ?parent] and ?parent[hasCitizenship hasValue oo#de]) .

assumption
  annotations
dc#description hasValue "The child is not dead"
endAnnotations
```

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definedBy
?child memberOf Child
and
?child[hasCitizenship hasValue $x$].

effect
annotations
dcd#description hasValue "After the registration the child
is a German citizen"
endAnnotations
definedBy
?child memberOf Child
and
?child[hasCitizenship hasValue oo#de].

interface
chorography _"http://example.org/tobedone"
orchestration _"http://example.org/tobedone"

**************************
* GOAL
**************************
goal _"http://example.org/Germany/GetCitizenShip"
annotations
dcd#title hasValue "Goal of getting a citizenship within Germany"
dc#type hasValue _"http://www.wsmo.org/TR/d2/v1.2/#goals"
wsmlVersion hasValue "$Revision: 1.15 $"
endAnnotations
usesMediator (_"http://example.org/ooMediator")
importsOntology (_"http://www.example.org/ontologies/example",
_"http://www.wsmo.org/ontologies/location")
capability
sharedVariables ?human
effect havingCitizenShip
annotations
dcd#description hasValue "This goal expresses the general
desire of becoming a citizen of Germany."
endAnnotations
definedBy
?human memberOf Human[hasCitizenship hasValue oo#de] .
goal _"http://example.org/Germany/RegisterGeorge"
annotations
dcd#title hasValue "Goal of getting a Registration for Paul's son George"
dc#type hasValue _"http://www.wsmo.org/TR/d2/v1.2/#goals"
wsmlVersion hasValue "$Revision: 1.15 $"
endAnnotations
usesMediator (_"http://example.org/ooMediator")
importsOntology (_"http://www.example.org/ontologies/example",
_"http://www.wsmo.org/ontologies/location")
capability
effect havingRegistrationForGeorge
annotations
dcd#description hasValue "This goal expresses Paul's desire
to register his son with the German birth registration board."
endAnnotations
definedBy
George[hasCitizenship hasValue oo#de] .

//Functional description of a Web Service
webService bankTransaction
capability
sharedVariables (?i1,?i2 )
precondition
definedBy
?[i1[balance hasValue $x$] memberOf account and
?x >= ?i2].
postcondition
definedBy
?[i1[balance hasValue $y$] and
?i1[balance hasValue ($y - ?i2)].

**************************
* MEDIATOR
**************************
ooMediator _"http://example.org/ooMediator"
annotations
dcd#description hasValue "This ooMediator translates the owl
description of the iso ontology to wsml and adds the
necessary statements to make them memberOf loc:country
concept of the wsmo location ontology."
dc#type hasValue _"http://www.wsmo.org/2004/d2#ggMediator"
wsmlVersion hasValue "$Revision: 1.15 $"
endAnnotations
_"http://www.wsmo.org/ontologies/location")
/*
* This mediator is used to link the two goals. The mediator defines
* a connection between the general goal ('GetCitizenShip') as
* generic and reusable goal which is refined in the concrete
* goal ('RegisterGeorge').
*/
ggMediator _"http://example.org/ggMediator"
annotations
dcd#title hasValue "GGMediator that links the general goal of getting a citizenship
with the concrete goal of registering George"
dc#subject hasValue (_"ggMediator", "Birth", "Online Birth-Registration")
dc#type hasValue _"http://www.wsmo.org/TR/d2/v1.2/#mediators"
wsmlVersion hasValue "$Revision: 1.15 $"
/* In the general case the generic goal and the WS are known before a concrete * request is made and can be statically linked, to avoid reasoning during the runtime of a particular request. The fact that the WS fulfills at least partially the goal is explicitly stated in the wgMediator. */

wgMediator _"http://example.org/wgMediator"
    annotations
dc#type hasValue _"http://www.wsmo.org/2004/d2/v1.2/#mediators"
endAnnotations
source _"http://example.org/BirthRegistration"
target _"http://example.org/GetCitizenShip"
Appendix B: Datatypes and Built-ins in WSML

This appendix contains a preliminary list of built-in functions and relations for datatypes in WSML. It also contains a translation of syntactic shortcuts to datatype predicates.

Appendix B.1. WSML Datatypes

WSML recommends the use of XML Schema datatypes as defined in [Biron & Malhotra, 2004] for the representation of concrete values, such as strings and integers. WSML defines a number of built-in functions for the use of XML Schema datatypes. WSML requires all compliant implementations to implement at least the string, decimal, and integer data types.

WSML allows direct usage of the string, integer and decimal data values in the language. These values have a direct correspondence with values of the XML Schema datatypes string, integer, and decimal, respectively. Values of these most primitive datatypes can be used to construct values of more complex datatypes. Table B.1 lists the datatypes recommended by WSML with the shortcut name of the datatype constructor, the name of the corresponding XML Schema datatype, a short description of the datatype (corresponding with the value space as defined in [Biron & Malhotra, 2004]) and an example of the use of the datatype. The full name of the datatype constructor is the IRI http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#datatype, where datatype is the name of the XML schema datatype, depicted in Table B.1. The datatype rdf#XMLLiteral is defined in [Klyne & Carroll, 2004].

Table B.1: WSML Datatypes

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Datatype</th>
<th>Description of the Datatype</th>
<th>Syntax</th>
<th>Datatype constructor shortcut syntax</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>string</td>
<td>A finite-length sequence of Unicode characters, where each occurrence of the double quote &quot; is escaped using the backslash symbol: \ and the backslash is escaped using the backslash: \.</td>
<td>xsd#string(&quot;any-character&quot;)</td>
<td>_string</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>decimal</td>
<td>That subset of natural numbers which can be represented with a finite sequence of decimal numerals.</td>
<td>xsd#decimal(&quot;?numeric+ numeric+&quot;)</td>
<td>_decimal</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>integer</td>
<td>That subset of decimals which corresponds with natural numbers.</td>
<td>xsd#integer(&quot;?numeric+&quot;)</td>
<td>_integer</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>float</td>
<td></td>
<td>xsd#float(&quot;see XML Schema document&quot;)</td>
<td>_float</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>double</td>
<td></td>
<td>xsd#double(&quot;see XML Schema document&quot;)</td>
<td>_double</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>boolean</td>
<td></td>
<td>xsd#boolean(&quot;true-or-false&quot;)</td>
<td>_boolean</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>dateTime</td>
<td></td>
<td>xsd#dateTime(integer_year, integer_month, integer_day, integer_hour, integer_minute, integer_timezone-hour, integer_timezone-minute)</td>
<td>_dateTime</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>time</td>
<td></td>
<td>xsd#time(integer_hour, integer_minute, integer_second, integer_timezone-hour, integer_timezone-minute)</td>
<td>_time</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>date</td>
<td></td>
<td>xsd#date(integer_year, integer_month, integer_day, integer_timezone-hour, integer_timezone-minute)</td>
<td>_date</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>gYearMonth</td>
<td></td>
<td>xsd#gYearMonth(integer_year, integer_month)</td>
<td>_gyearmonth</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>gYear</td>
<td></td>
<td>xsd#gYear(integer_year)</td>
<td>_gyear</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>gMonthDay</td>
<td></td>
<td>xsd#gMonthDay(integer_month, integer_day)</td>
<td>_gmonthday</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>gDay</td>
<td></td>
<td>xsd#gDay(integer_day)</td>
<td>_gday</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>gMonth</td>
<td></td>
<td>xsd#gMonth(integer_month)</td>
<td>_gmonth</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>hexBinary</td>
<td></td>
<td>xsd#hexBinary(&quot;hexadecimal-encoding&quot;)</td>
<td>_hexbinary</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>base64Binary</td>
<td></td>
<td>xsd#base64Binary(&quot;base64-encoding&quot;)</td>
<td>_base64binary</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>XMLLiteral</td>
<td>A finite-length sequence of Unicode characters, where each occurrence of the double quote &quot; is escaped using the backslash symbol: \ and the backslash is escaped using the backslash: \. such that removing escaping yields a string in the lexical space of the rdf:XMLLiteral, specified in [Klyne &amp; Carroll, 2004].</td>
<td>rdf#XMLLiteral(&quot;&quot;-escaped XML content&quot;)</td>
<td>_XMLLiteral</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Table B.2 contains the shortcut syntax for the string, integer, and decimal datatypes.

Table B.2: WSML Datatype shortcut syntax

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Datatype constructor</th>
<th>Shortcut syntax</th>
<th>Example</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>xsd#string</td>
<td>&quot;any-Unicode-character&quot;</td>
<td>&quot;John Smith&quot;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>xsd#decimal</td>
<td>&quot;?numeric+ numeric+&quot;</td>
<td>4.2, 42.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>xsd#integer</td>
<td>&quot;?numeric+&quot;</td>
<td>42, -4</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Appendix B.2. WSML Built-in Predicates

This section contains a list of built-in predicates suggested for use in WSML. These predicates largely correspond to functions and comparators in XQuery/XPath [Malhotra et al., 2004]. Notice that SWRL [Horrocks et al., 2004] built-ins are also based on XQuery/XPath.

The current list is only based on the built-in support in the WSML language through the use of special symbols. A translation of the built-in symbols to datatype predicates is given in the next section. The symbol 'range' signifies the range of the function. Functions in XQuery have a defined range, whereas predicates only have a domain. Therefore, the first argument of a WSML datatype predicate which represents a function represents the range of the function. Comparators in XQuery are functions, which return a boolean value. These comparators are directly translated to predicates. If the XQuery function returns 'true', the arguments of the predicate are in the extension of the predicate. See Table B.3 for the complete list. In case the built-in predicate has an equivalent function in XQuery, this is indicated in the table. The types 'wsml#equal', 'wsml#inequal' and 'wsml#strongEqual' refer to the unification operator, inequality and user-defined inequality, respectively.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>WSML built-in predicate</th>
<th>XQuery function</th>
<th>Type (A)</th>
<th>Type (B)</th>
<th>Return type</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>wsml#equal</td>
<td></td>
<td>abstract</td>
<td>abstract</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#inequal</td>
<td></td>
<td>abstract</td>
<td>abstract</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#numericEqual(A,B)</td>
<td>op#numeric-equal(A,B)</td>
<td>numeric</td>
<td>numeric</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#numericInequal(A,B)</td>
<td>op#boolean-equal(op#numeric-equal(A,B), &quot;false&quot;)</td>
<td>numeric</td>
<td>numeric</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#numericGreaterThan(A,B)</td>
<td>op#numeric-greater-than(A,B)</td>
<td>numeric</td>
<td>numeric</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#numericLessThan(A,B)</td>
<td>op#numeric-less-than(A,B)</td>
<td>numeric</td>
<td>numeric</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#numericAdd(range,A,B)</td>
<td>op#numeric-add(A,B)</td>
<td>numeric</td>
<td>numeric</td>
<td>numeric</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#numericSubtract(range,A,B)</td>
<td>op#numeric-subtract(A,B)</td>
<td>numeric</td>
<td>numeric</td>
<td>numeric</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#numericMultiply(range,A,B)</td>
<td>op#numeric-multiply(A,B)</td>
<td>numeric</td>
<td>numeric</td>
<td>numeric</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#numericDivide(range,A,B)</td>
<td>op#numeric-divide(A,B)</td>
<td>numeric</td>
<td>numeric</td>
<td>numeric</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#stringEqual(A,B)</td>
<td>fn#codepoint-equal(A, B)</td>
<td>string</td>
<td>string</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#stringInequal(A,B)</td>
<td>op#boolean-equal(fn:codepoint-equal(A, B), &quot;false&quot;)</td>
<td>string</td>
<td>string</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#dateEqual(A,B)</td>
<td>op#date-equal(A, B)</td>
<td>date</td>
<td>date</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#dateInequal(A,B)</td>
<td>op#boolean-equal(op:date-equal(A, B), &quot;false&quot;)</td>
<td>date</td>
<td>date</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#dateGreaterThan(A,B)</td>
<td>op#date-greater-than(A, B)</td>
<td>date</td>
<td>date</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#dateLessThan(A,B)</td>
<td>op#date-less-than(A, B)</td>
<td>date</td>
<td>date</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#timeEqual(A,B)</td>
<td>op#date-equal(A, B)</td>
<td>time</td>
<td>time</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#timeInequal(A,B)</td>
<td>op#boolean-equal(op:time-equal(A, B), &quot;false&quot;)</td>
<td>time</td>
<td>time</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#timeGreaterThan(A,B)</td>
<td>op#time-greater-than(A, B)</td>
<td>time</td>
<td>time</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#timeLessThan(A,B)</td>
<td>op#time-less-than(A, B)</td>
<td>time</td>
<td>time</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#dateTimeEqual(A,B)</td>
<td>op#dateTime-equal(A, B)</td>
<td>dateTime</td>
<td>dateTime</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#dateTimeInequal(A,B)</td>
<td>op#boolean-equal(op:dateTime-equal(A, B), &quot;false&quot;)</td>
<td>dateTime</td>
<td>dateTime</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#gyearmonthEqual(A,B)</td>
<td>op#gYearMonth-equal(A, B)</td>
<td>gYearMonth</td>
<td>gYearMonth</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#gyearEqual(A,B)</td>
<td>op#gYear-equal(A, B)</td>
<td>gYear</td>
<td>gYear</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#gmonthdayEqual(A,B)</td>
<td>op#gMonthDay-equal(A, B)</td>
<td>gMonthDay</td>
<td>gMonthDay</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#gmonthEqual(A,B)</td>
<td>op#gMonth-equal(A, B)</td>
<td>gMonth</td>
<td>gMonth</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#gdayEqual(A,B)</td>
<td>op#gDay-equal(A, B)</td>
<td>gDay</td>
<td>gDay</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#durationEqual(A,B)</td>
<td>op#duration-equal(A, B)</td>
<td>duration</td>
<td>duration</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#dayTimeDurationGreaterThan(A,B)</td>
<td>op#dayTimeDuration-greater-than(A, B)</td>
<td>dayTime</td>
<td>dayTime</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#dayTimeDurationLessThan(A,B)</td>
<td>op#dayTimeDuration-less-than(A, B)</td>
<td>dayTime</td>
<td>dayTime</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#yearMonthDurationGreaterThan(A,B)</td>
<td>op#yearMonthDuration-greater-than(A, B)</td>
<td>yearMonthDuration</td>
<td>yearMonthDuration</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wsml#yearMonthDurationLessThan(A,B)</td>
<td>op#yearMonthDuration-less-than(A, B)</td>
<td>yearMonthDuration</td>
<td>yearMonthDuration</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Each WSML implementation is required to either implement the complement of each of these built-ins or to provide a negation operator which can be used together with these predicates, with the following exceptions:

- `wsml#equal` and `wsml#inequal` are not required for WSML-Core
Appendix B.3. Translating Built-in Symbols to Predicates

In this section, we provide the translation of the built-in (function and predicate) symbols to predicates.

We distinguish between built-in functions and built-in relations. Functions have a defined domain and range. Relations only have a domain and can in fact be seen as functions, which return a boolean, as in XPath/XQuery [Malhotra et al., 2004]. We first provide the translation of the built-in relations and then present the rewriting rules for the built-in functions.

The following table provides the translation of the built-in relations:

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We list the built-in functions and their translation to datatype predicates in Table B.5. In the table, ?x1 represents a unique newly introduced variable, which stands for the range of the function.

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Function symbols in WSML are not as straightforward to translate to datatype predicates as are relations. However, if we see the predicate as a function, which has the range as its first argument, we can introduce a new variable for the return value of the function and replace an occurrence of the function symbol with the newly introduced variable and append the newly introduced predicate to the conjunction of which the top-level predicate is part.

Formulas containing nested built-in function symbols can be rewritten to datatype predicate conjunctions according to the following algorithm:

1. Select an atomic occurrence of a datatype function symbol. An atomic occurrence is an occurrence of the function symbol with only identifiers (which can be variables) as arguments.
2. Replace this occurrence with a newly introduced variable and append to the conjunction of which the function symbol is part the
datatype predicate, which corresponds with the function symbol where the first argument (which represents the range) is the newly introduced variable.

3. If there are still occurrences of function symbols in the formula, go back to step (1), otherwise, return the formula.

We present an example of the application of the algorithm to the following expression:

$$w = x + y + z$$

We first substitute the first occurrence of the function symbol '+' with a newly introduced variable $x_1$ and append the predicate `wsml#numericAdd(?x1, ?x, ?y)` to the conjunction:

$$w = x_1 + z \text{ and } wsml#numericAdd(?x1, ?x, ?y)$$

Then, we substitute the remaining occurrence of '+' accordingly:

$$w = x_2 \text{ and } wsml#numericAdd(?x1, ?x, ?y) \text{ and } wsml#numericAdd(?x2, ?x1, ?z)$$

Now, we don't have any more built-in function symbols to substitute and we merely substitute the built-in relation '=' to obtain the final conjunction of datatype predicates:

$$wsml#numericEqual(w, x_2) \text{ and } wsml#numericAdd(?x1, ?x, ?y) \text{ and } wsml#numericAdd(x_2, x_1, z)$$
Appendix C. WSML Keywords

This appendix lists all WSML keywords, along with the section of the deliverable where they have been described. Keywords are differentiated per WSML variant. Keywords common to all WSML variants are referred to under the column "Common element". The elements specific to a certain variant are listed under the specific variant. A '+' in the table indicates that the keyword included is inherited from the lower variant. Finally, a reference to a specific section indicates that the definition of the keyword can be found in this section.

Note that there are two layerings in WSML. Both layerings are complete syntactical and semantic (wrt. entailment of ground facts) layerings. The first layering is WSML-Core > WSML-Flight > WSML-Rule > WSML-Full, with WSML-Core being the lowest language in the layering and WSML-Full being the highest. This means, among other things, that every keyword of WSML-Core is a keyword of WSML-Flight, every keyword of WSML-Flight is a keyword of WSML-Rule, etc. The second layering is WSML-Core > WSML-DL > WSML-Full, which means that every WSML-Core keyword is a WSML-DL keyword, etc. Note that the second layering is a complete semantic layering, also with respect to entailment of non-ground formulae. For now we do not take WSML-DL into account in the table.

It can happen that the definition of a specific WSML element of a lower variant is expanded in a higher variant. For example, concept definitions in WSML-Flight are an extended version of concept definitions in WSML-Core.

We list all keywords of the WSML conceptual syntax in Table C.1.

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Table C.2 lists the keywords allowed in logical expressions. The complete logical expression syntax is defined in Section 2.8. Besides the keywords in this list, WSML also allows for the use of a number of infix operators for built-in predicates, see also Appendix B.

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Appendix D. Changelog

D.1. Issues List

For a list of the issues to be addressed in this version of D16.1, see the [issues list](#).

D.2. Changes in the Language since Version 0.21

- The concept of Nonfunctional properties in version 0.21 has been split into two notions: annotations and nonfunctional properties.
- A syntax for choreographies, based on [WSMO deliverable 14](#), is now included in the language.
- The datatypes _iri and _sqname are removed in. IIRIs are abstract symbols interpreted arbitrarily, in contrast to data values which are concrete symbols interpreted according to a particular datatype. Depicting IIRIs as a datatype is misleading in this respect.
- Datatype wrappers are now IIRIs; the names of datatypes constructors used in the previous version (e.g. _date) may be used as shortcuts.
- It is no longer allowed to use an anonymous identifier for the identification of the following elements: ontology, goal, Web service, mediator, capability, interface, import ontologies, used mediators, sources and targets of mediators, services used by mediators, choreography, orchestration.
- Local identifiers have been introduced (and have been removed again, see D.3).
- New datatype rdf#XMLLiteral is introduction.
- The symbol :=n (strong equality) has been removed from WSML 0.3.
- Equality and negated equality (a=b, neg a=b) has been allowed in WSML-DL logical expressions for instances.
- Relations have been removed from WSML-Core and WSML-DL.
- sQNames have been renamed to Compact URIs.
- Non functional properties are not written as blocks anymore, but one by one, using the nonfunctionalproperty or nfp keywords. Furthermore importsOntology and usesMediator are disallowed for nfps now.
- Imported ontologies can be WSML ontologies, RDF graphs or OWL DL and OWL Full ontologies.

Changes in the Language implemented in version 0.3 published on 17th of March 2008

- The authors mentioned in the list are now the WSML working group members.
- A new, shorter, abstract is included.
- The text in appendix C.1 is updated to reflect the updates in the treatment of datatypes.
- The section on identifiers in Chapter 2 is updated to reflect the changes in the treatment of datatypes.
- The text about local stratification, which was included there by mistake, in the WSML Rule chapter is removed.
- Appendix E. "Relation to WSMO Conceptual Model" is removed.
- Syntax for choreographies from D14 was added in 2.4.2.
- Chapter 10 "Implementation Efforts" is removed.
- Chapter 8 "XML Syntax for WSML" and chapter 9 "RDF Syntax for WSML" are removed; the XML syntax for wsml will be discussed in a new wsml deliverables; the RDF syntax for wsml will be discussed in D32.
- Syntax for NFPs was changed to allow both values and variables followed by logical expressions.
- Section 4.6.1, Alternative Surface Syntax for WSML-DL, has been removed.
- All references to new dl-based conceptual syntax, as e.g. concept Thing, keyword completely definedBy, etc., have been removed.
- The section on identifiers in Chapter 2 includes also variables.
- A notion has been added to WSML-DL to make clear that WSML-DL does not adhere to the Unique Name Assumption.
- Added explanations to imported ontologies section, to clarify that not only WSML ontologies but also RDFS and OWL ontologies can be imported.

D.3. Changes in This Document since the Previous Version

- Removed link to XML syntax at the top of the document.
- Added explanations to imported ontologies section, to clarify that not only WSML ontologies but also RDFS and OWL ontologies can be imported.
- Updated introduction to WSML Language reference in explaining the relationship between WSMO, WSML Abstract Syntax and WSML Language Reference, i.e. this document. Furthermore added references to the xml, rdf and owl exchange syntaxes, respectively mappings.
- Minor fixes concerning the use of non functional properties and the use of optional identifiers.
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Footnotes

[1] The work presented in [Levy & Rousset, 1998] might serve as a starting point to define a subset of WSML-Full which could be used to enable a higher degree of interoperation between Description Logics and Logic Programming (while retaining decidability, but possibly losing tractability) rather than through their common core described in WSML-Core. If we chose to minimize the interface between both paradigms, as described in [Eiter et al., 2004], it would be sufficient to add a simple syntactical construct to the Logic Programming language. This construct would stand for a query to the Description Logic knowledge base. Thus, the logic programming engine should have an interface to the Description Logic reasoner to issue queries and retrieve results.

[2] The complexity of query answering for a language with datatype predicates depends on the time required to evaluate these predicates. Therefore, when using datatypes, the complexity of query answering may grow beyond polynomial time in case evaluation of datatype predicates is beyond polynomial time.

[3] The only expressivity added by the logical expressions over the conceptual syntax is the complete class definition, and the use of individual values.