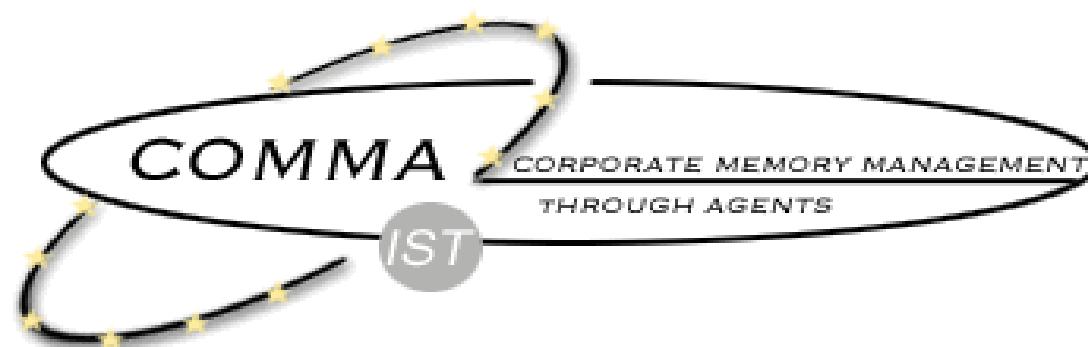


A Multi-Agents Platform for a Corporate Web Semantic



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- ▶ Corporate memory materialization in CoMMA
 - ▼ Objectives & Overall Approach
 - ▼ Use of RDF(S) to build a corporate semantic web
- ▶ CoMMA MAS architecture overview
- ▶ Handling distribution of annotations
 - ▼ Allocating new annotation
 - ▼ Distributed query-solving

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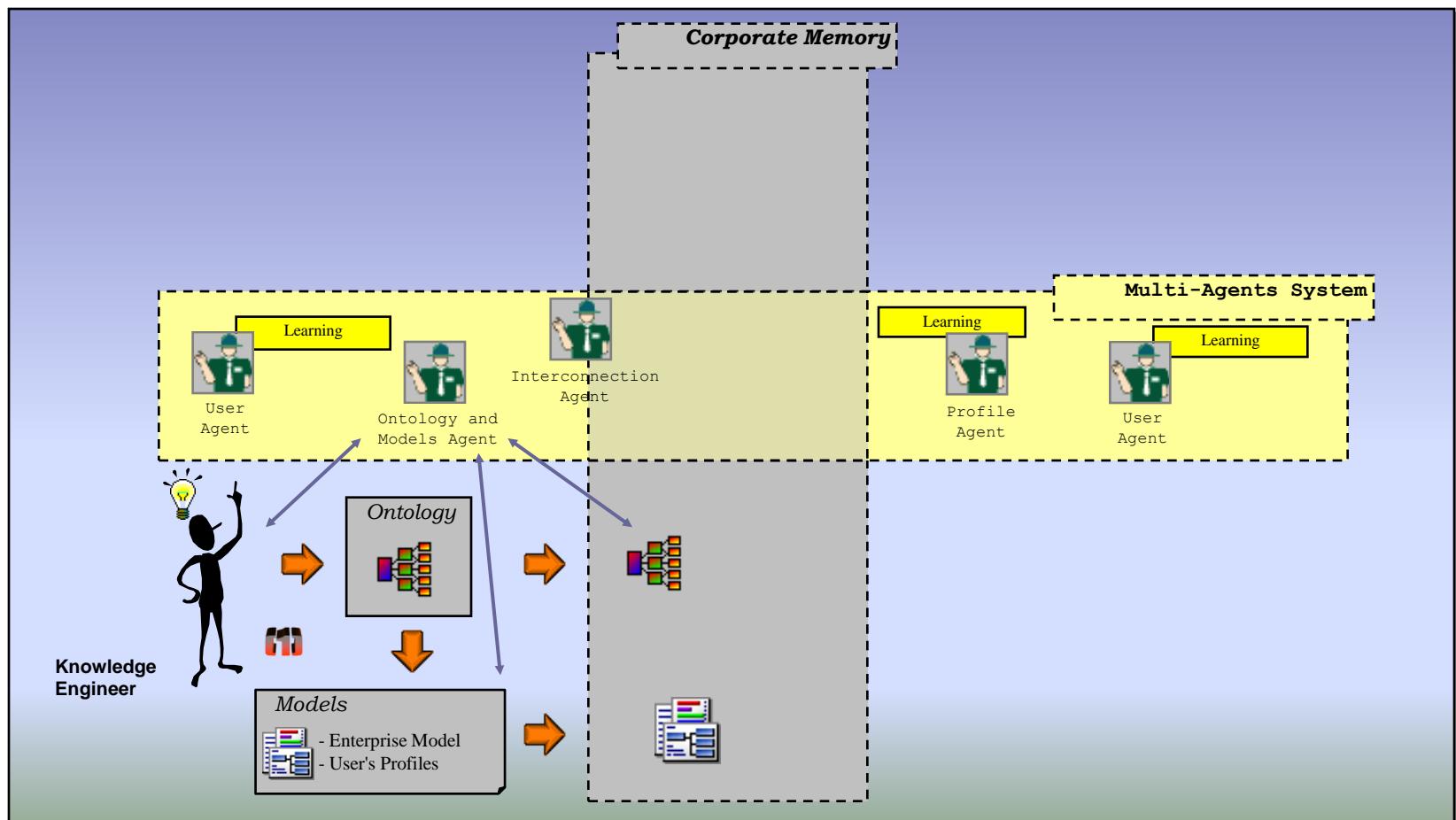
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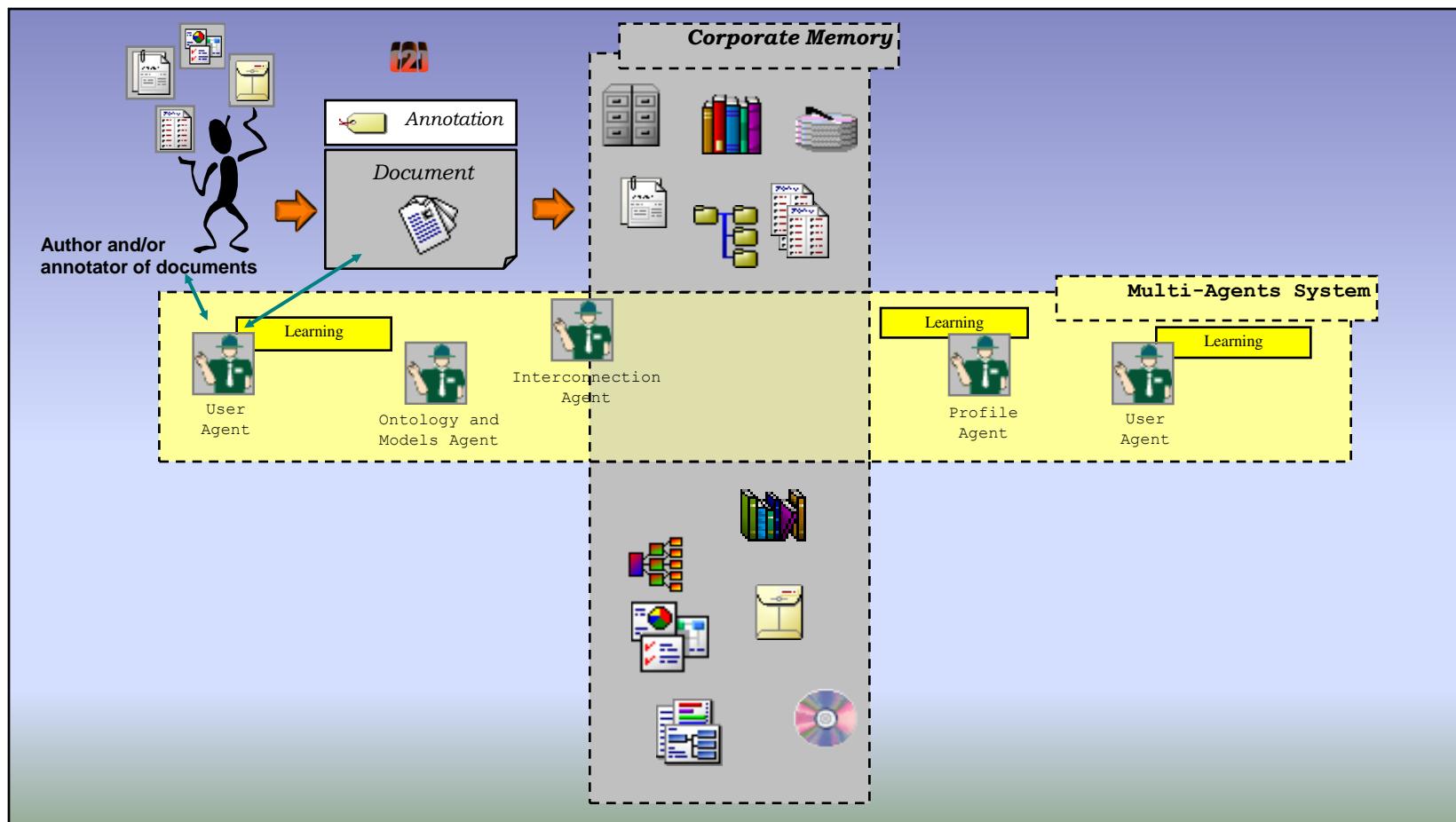
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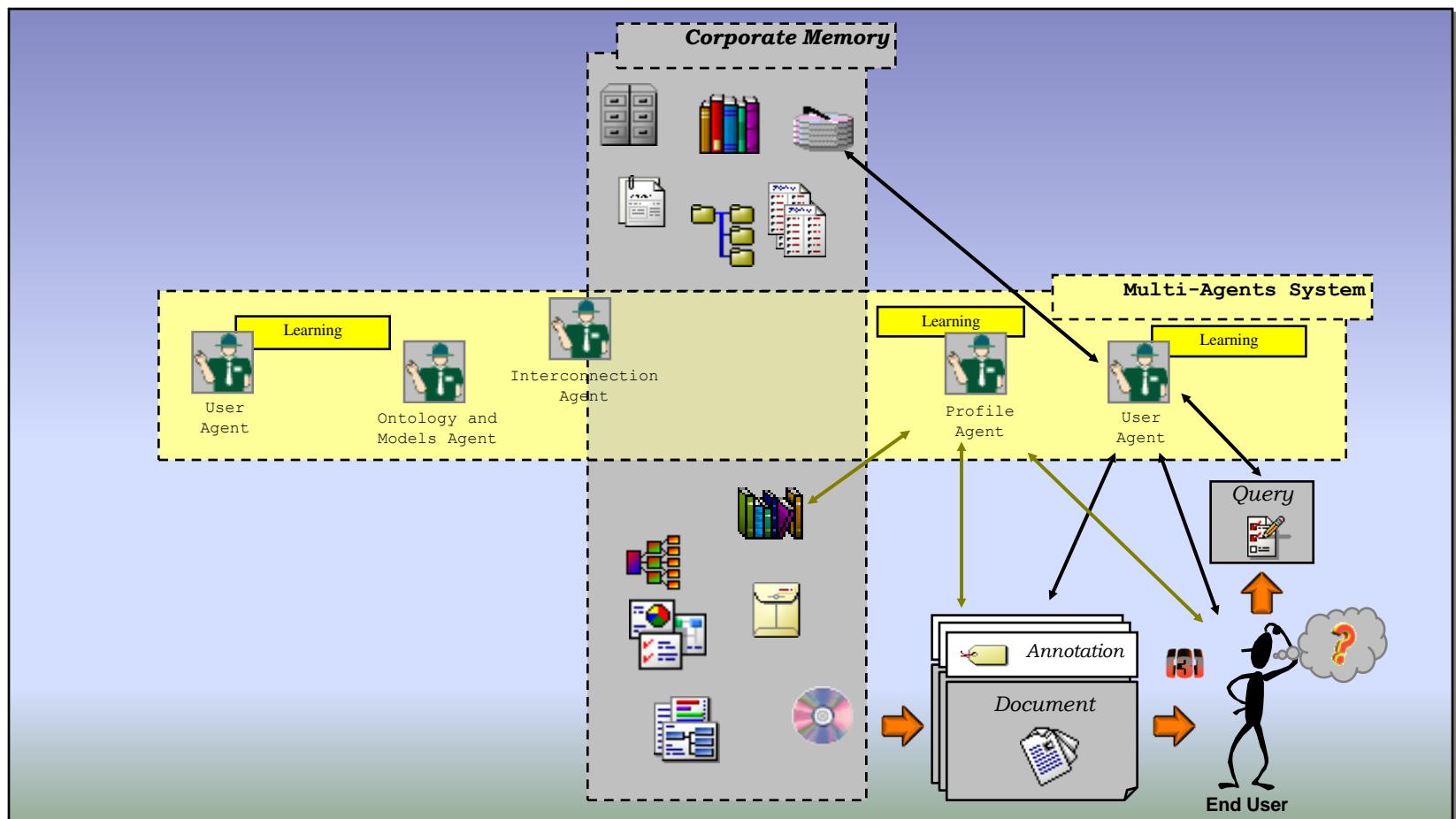
Positioning & Approach

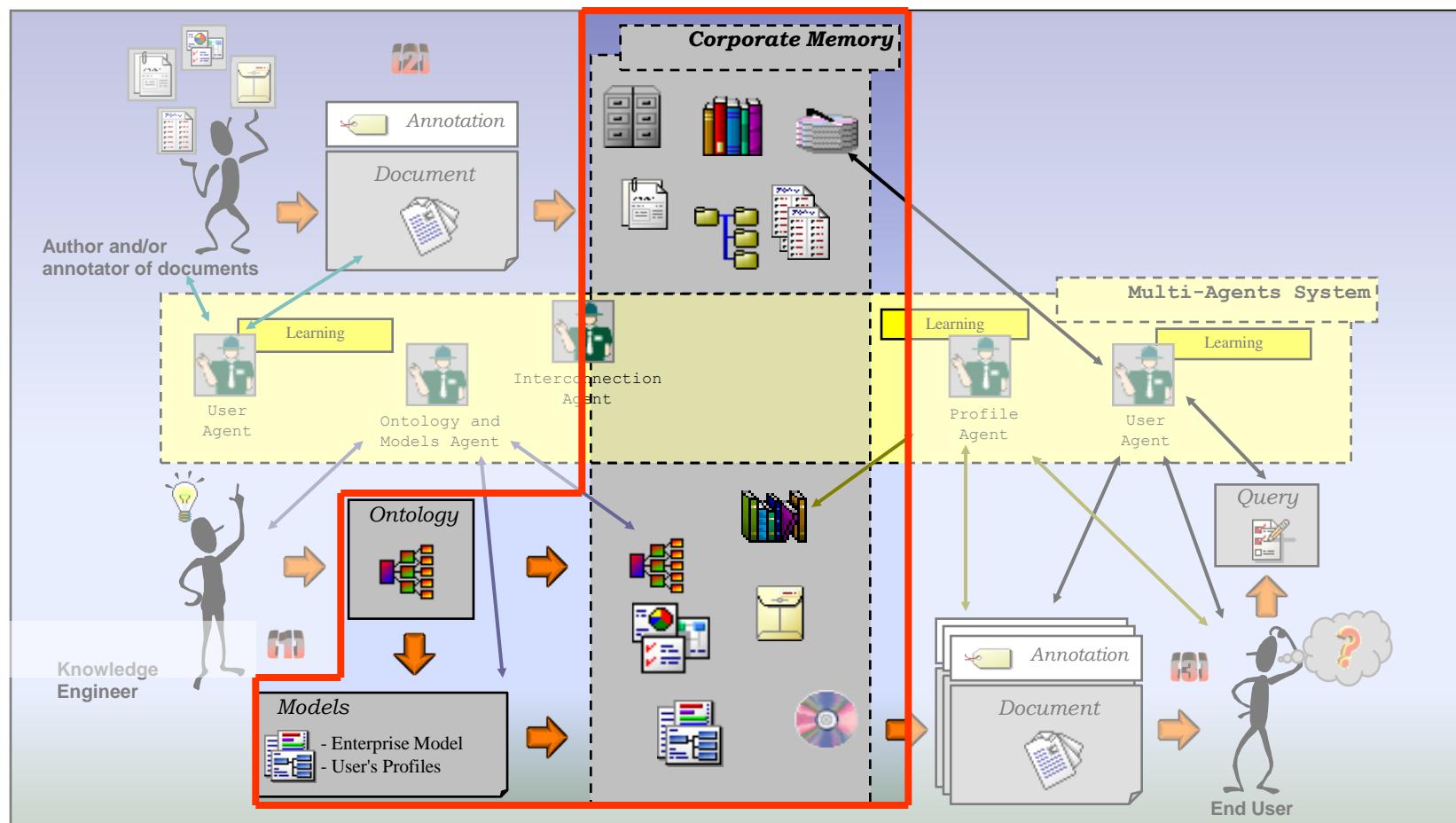
- ▼ Corporate memories as *heterogeneous and distributed* information landscapes
- ▼ Stakeholders are a *heterogeneous and distributed* population
- ▼ Exploitation of corporate memory involves *heterogeneous and distributed* tasks

| <u>CM Materialization</u> | <u>CM Exploitation</u> |
|--|--|
| XML: Web standard, Structure, Extend, Validation, Transform | Multi-Agent System: Modularity, Distributed, Collaboration, Sem. M.P. |
| RDF(S) & K. Eng.: Annotation, Schemas | Machine Learning: Adaptability |







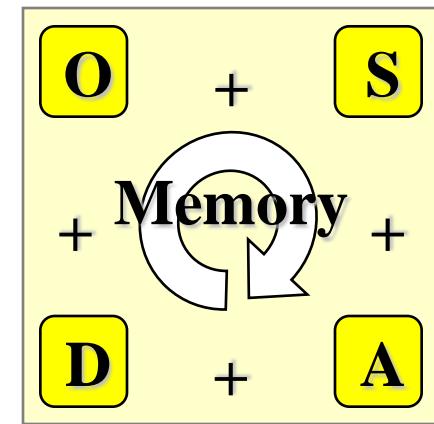


RDF : Resource Description Framework

- ▼ Describe Web resources
- ▼ RDF Schema (to formalize the ontology)

Approach :

- ▼ Ontology in RDFS (O'CoMMA)
- ▼ Description the Situation in RDF:
 - User Profiles
 - Organization model
- ▼ Annotations in RDF describing Documents
- ▼ Toward a corporate semantic web
- ▼ Annotated world for agents (quickly intelligent)



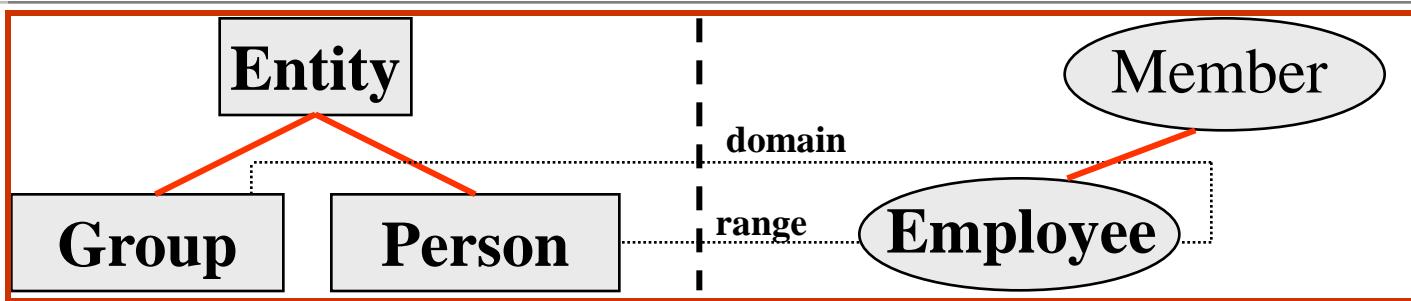
Ontology in RDFS

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</rdf:Property> ...

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Ontology hierarchy



RDF annotation

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  <CoMMA:Employee>
    <CoMMA:Person rdf:about="http://www.inria.fr/~fab/" />
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</CoMMA:Group >

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Annotation

triplet and graph

(Acacia, Employee, Fabien)

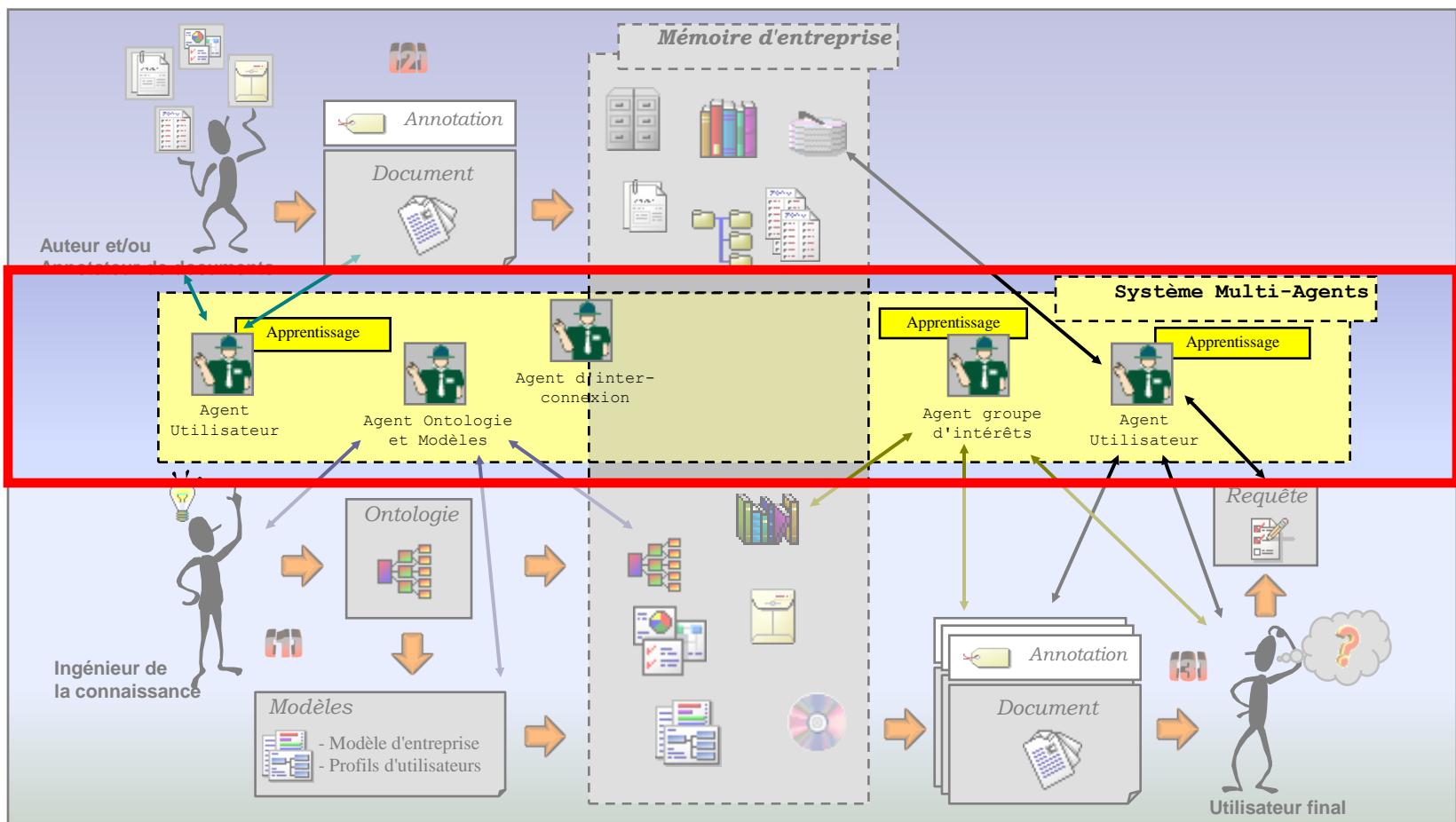
Group: Acacia

domain

Employee

range

Person: Fabien



► **CoMMA** is an heterogeneous multi-agents information system

- ▼ Several types of agents
- ▼ Deal with duality of information *distribution*:
 - *i.e.* scattered data, information & knowledge
 - *i.e.* diffuse captured information and knowledge
- ▼ Agent paradigm adequacy:
 - Collaboration → Global Capitalization
 - Autonomy & Individuality → Local Adaptation

► **From Macroscopic to Microscopic**

- ▼ Functional analysis for high level functions: societies
- ▼ Society internal functional analysis: roles
- ▼ in // scenario and use-cases analysis: interactions



Ontology and Model Society



Ontologist Agents



Annotations Society

Archivists



Mediators



Interconnection Society



Federated
Matchmakers



Users' society



Interface
Controllers



Profile
Managers

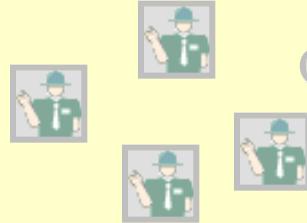


Profiles
Archivists

CoMMA Society
Sub-societies
and Roles



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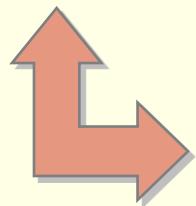


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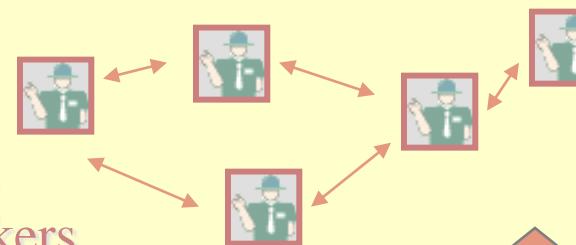


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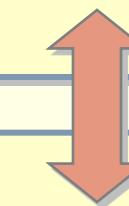


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ontology



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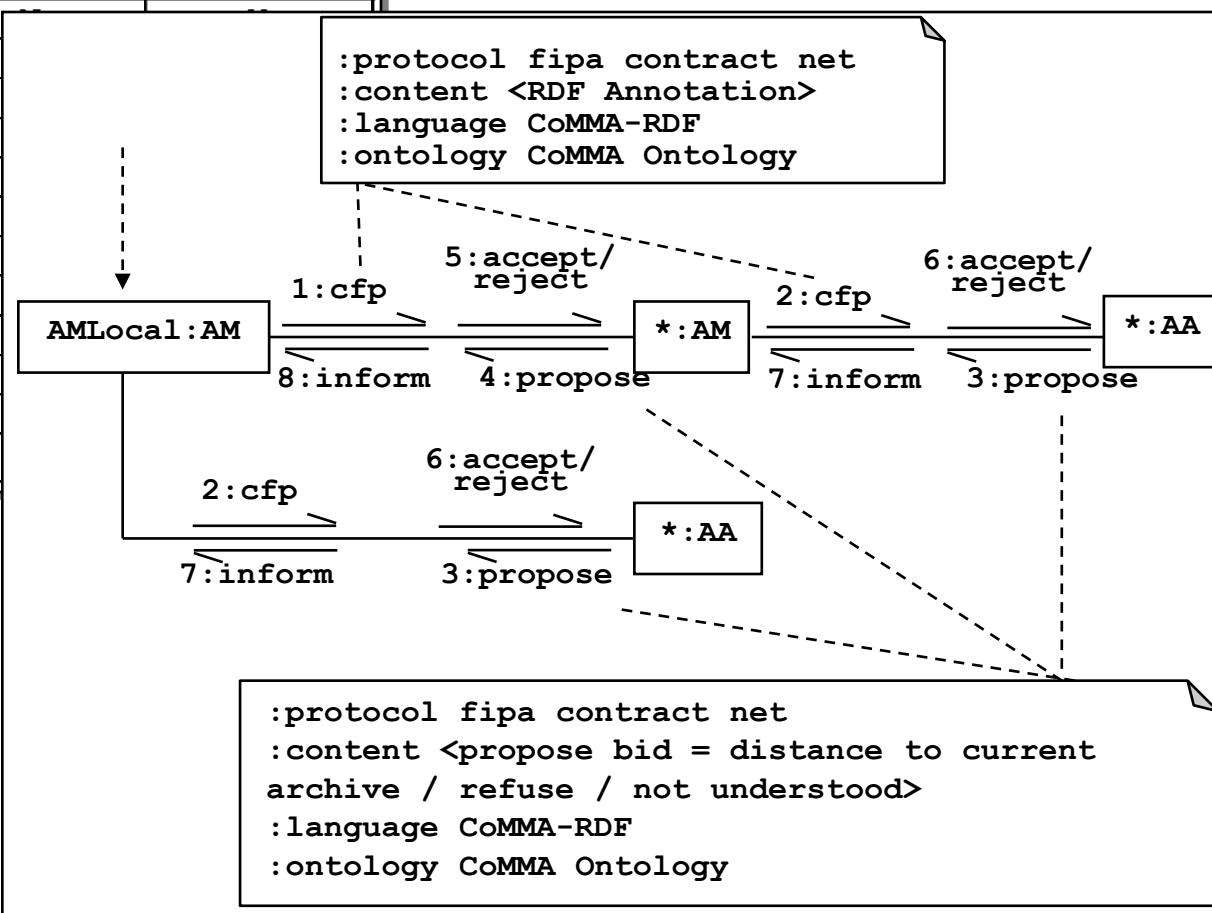
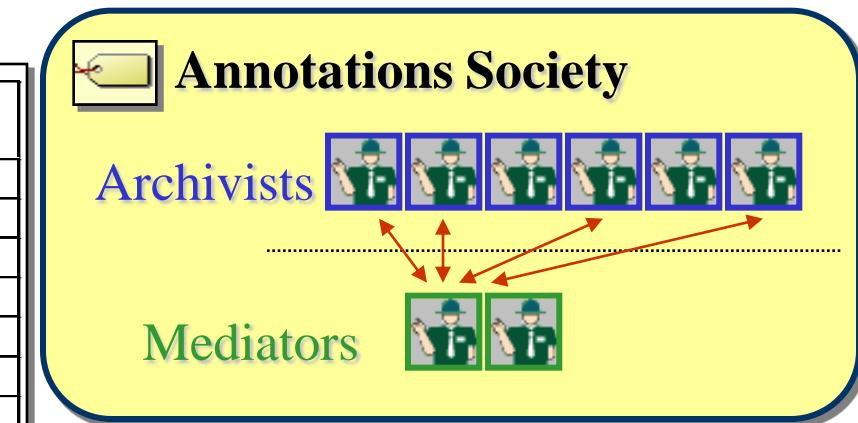
Profiles
Archivists

Roles
Interaction
specifications

Zooming on the annotation society

| | Annotation Archivist | Annotation Mediator |
|------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Reactive | N | N |
| Complex Mental State | N | N |
| Graceful Degradation | Y | Y |
| Temporally continuity | Y | Y |
| Autonomy | | |
| Goal-oriented | N | Y |
| Collaborative | Y | Y |
| Flexible | | |
| Proactive | | |
| Personality | | |
| Communication | | |
| Adaptability | | |
| Learning | | |
| Customizable | | |
| Mobility | | |
| Visual representation | | |
| Veracity | | |
| Benevolence | | |
| Rationality | | |

Scenarios and
use cases to derive
interactions and
protocols spec.



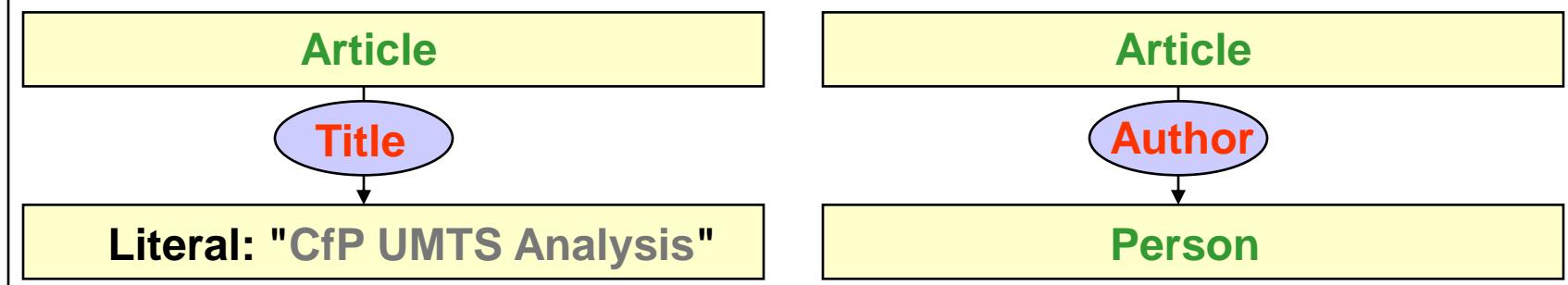
C-Net : Annotation allocation

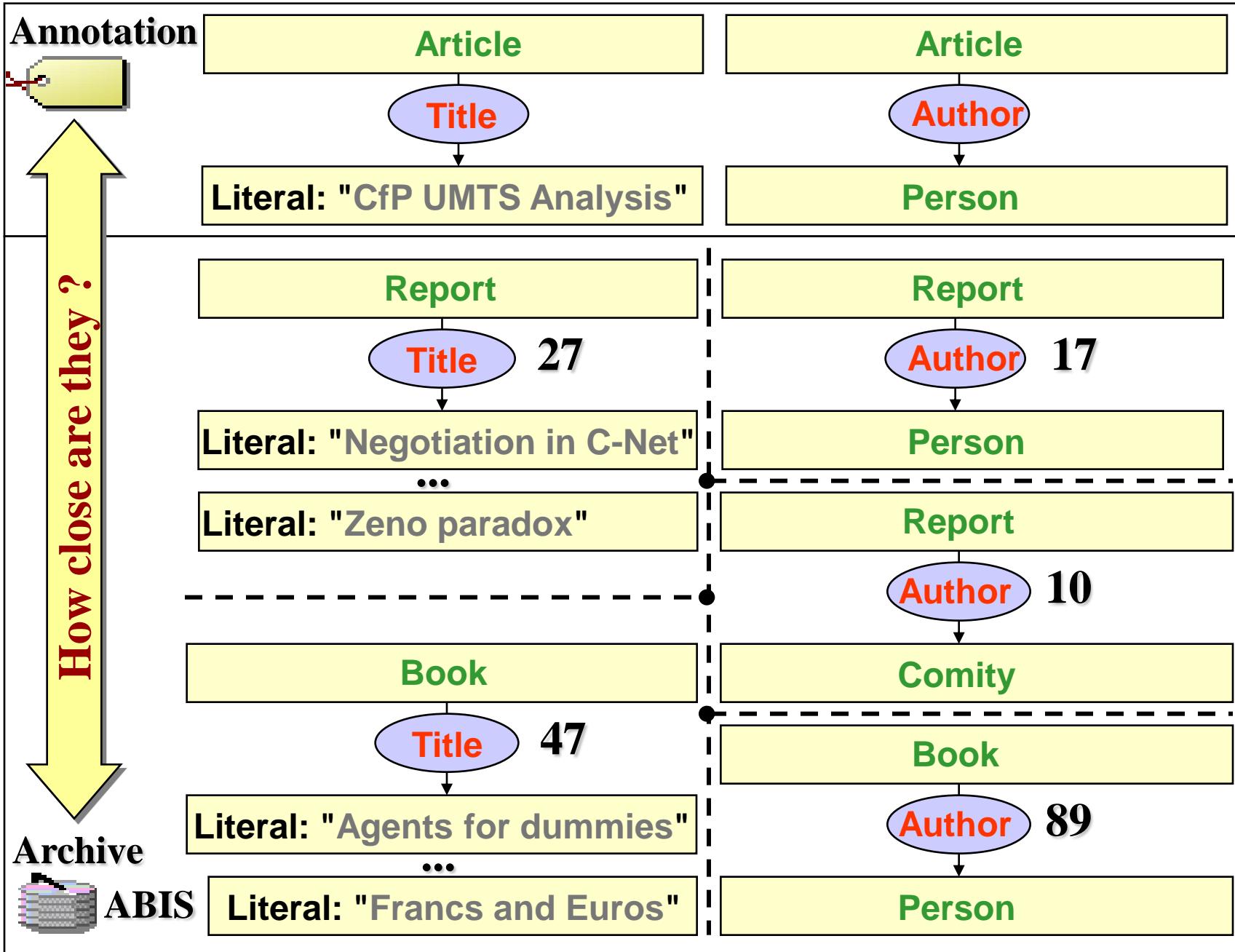
- ▼ AM - AA discuss best place to archive
- ▼ Contract-net (CfP, Proposal, Accept/Reject)
- ▼ Allocation criteria: pseudo-semantic measure

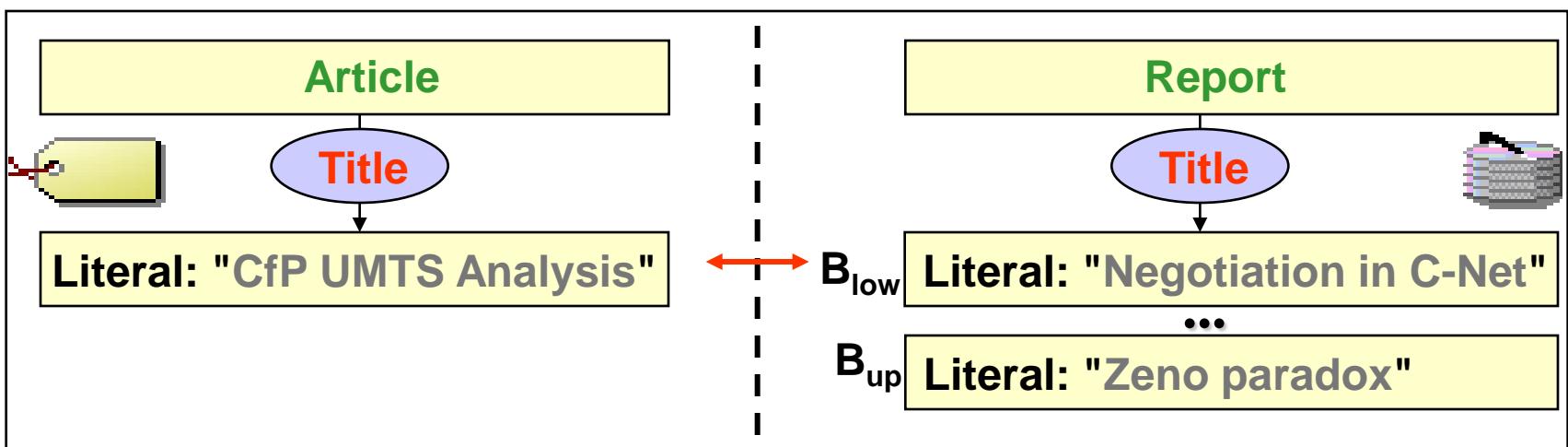
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Classic lexicographical distance: (⇒ pseudo semantic)

$$\text{Abscissa}(\text{Lit}_x) = \sum_{i=0..s} \frac{C_{x,i}}{\text{Max}_L^i} \in [0, \text{Max}_L] ; \quad \text{Lit}_x = C_{x,1} \dots C_{x,s}$$

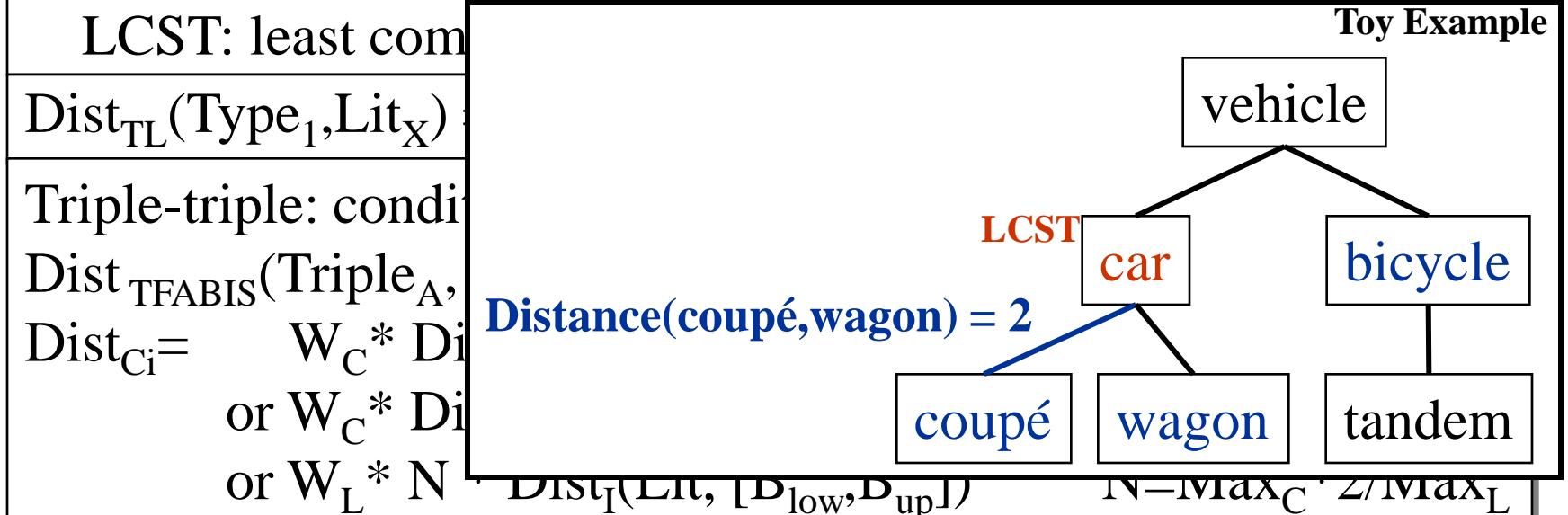
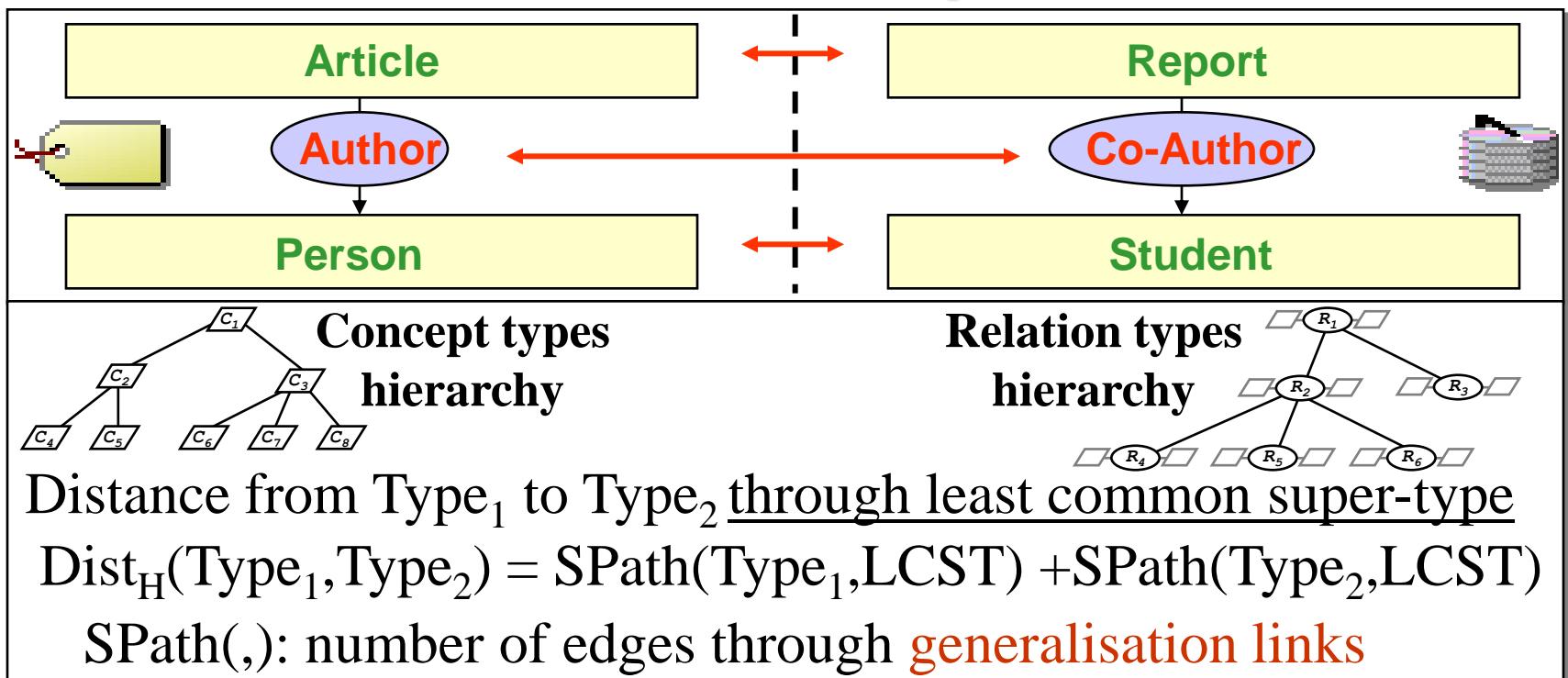
$$\text{Dist}_L(\text{Lit}_A, \text{Lit}_B) = | \text{Abscissa}(\text{Lit}_B) - \text{Abscissa}(\text{Lit}_A) |$$

Distance to a literal interval: (⇒ pseudo distance)

$$\text{Dist}_I(\text{Lit}_X, [B_{\text{low}}, B_{\text{up}}])$$

if $\text{Lit}_X \in [B_{\text{low}}, B_{\text{up}}]$ *then* = 0

else = Min(Dist_L(Lit_X, B_{low}), Dist_L(Lit_X, B_{up}))





$$\text{Dist}_{\text{AABIS}}(\text{Triple}, \text{ABIS}) = \text{Min}(\text{Dist}_{\text{TFABIS}}(\text{Triple}, \text{Triple}_i) \\ \text{Triplet}_i \in \text{ABIS})$$

$$\text{Dist}_{\text{AABIS}}(\text{An}_x, \text{ABIS}) = \sum_{\text{Triple}_j \in \text{An}_x} \text{Dist}_{\text{TABIS}}(\text{Triple}_j, \text{ABIS})$$

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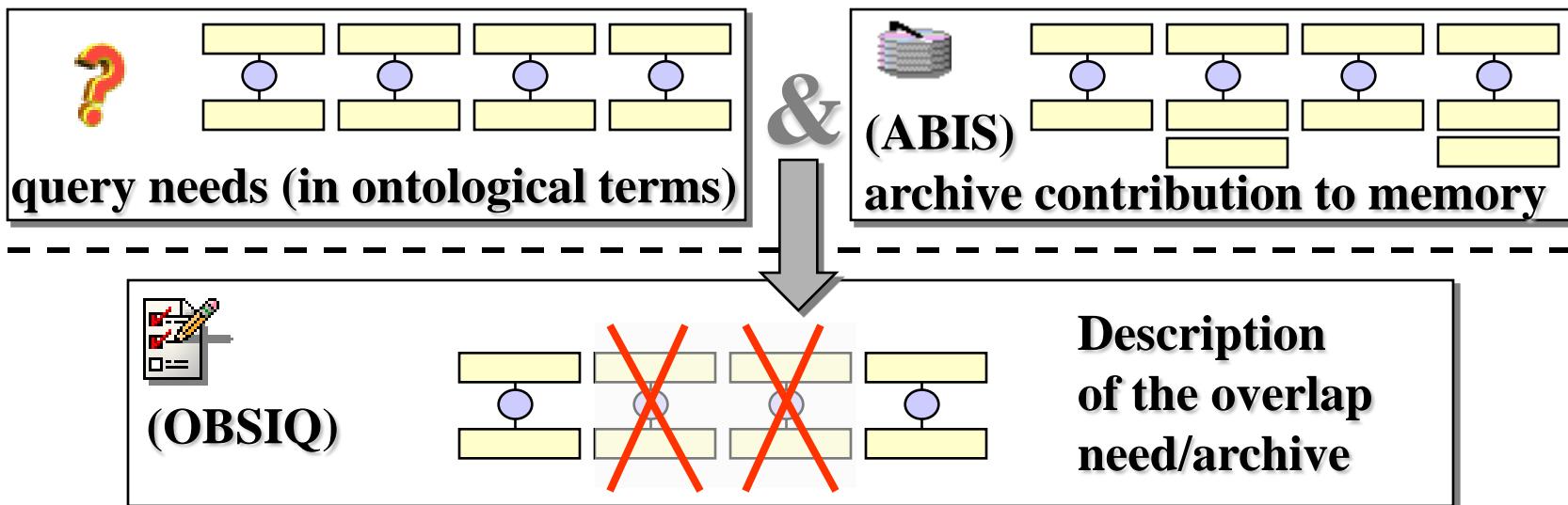
$$\text{Dist}(\text{An}_x, \text{AA}_y) = \text{Dist}_{\text{AABIS}}(\text{An}_x, \text{ABIS}_y) + \text{Dist}_{\text{ACAP}}(\text{An}_x, \text{CAP}_y)$$

Allocation criteria:

- ▼ Winner = Archivist with the smallest distance
- ▼ Effect: cluster annotations having close semantic contribution → specialise the archives
- ▼ One use: specialisation improve query solving and respect knowledge distribution

Fragmentation and distributed queries

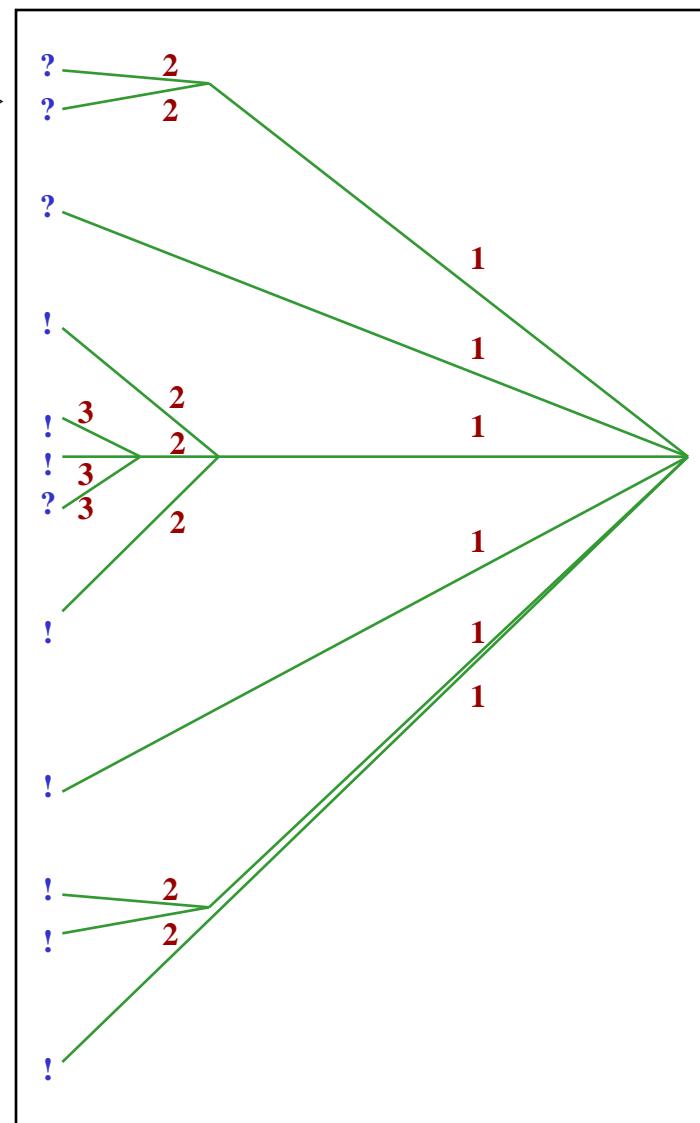
- ▼ Co-operatively solve a query (multi-stage Query-Ref)
- ▼ AM decomposes submitted query into sub-queries
- ▼ Allocation of sub-query based on ABIS



Overlap description

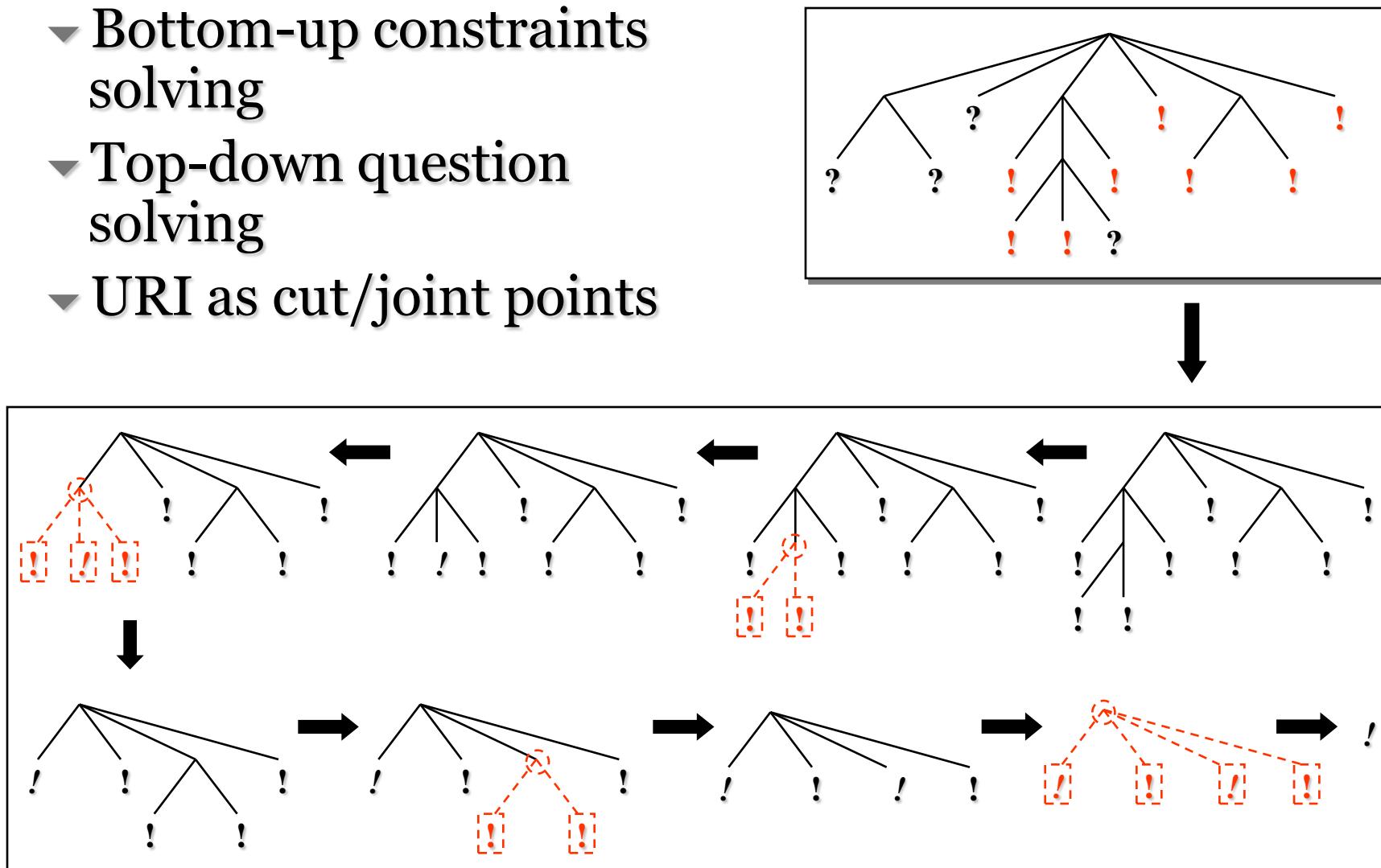
- ▼ Refines service description of Archivists
- ▼ Target multicast communications in query-solving
- ▼ Exploit archive specialisation obtained by the distribution of annotations

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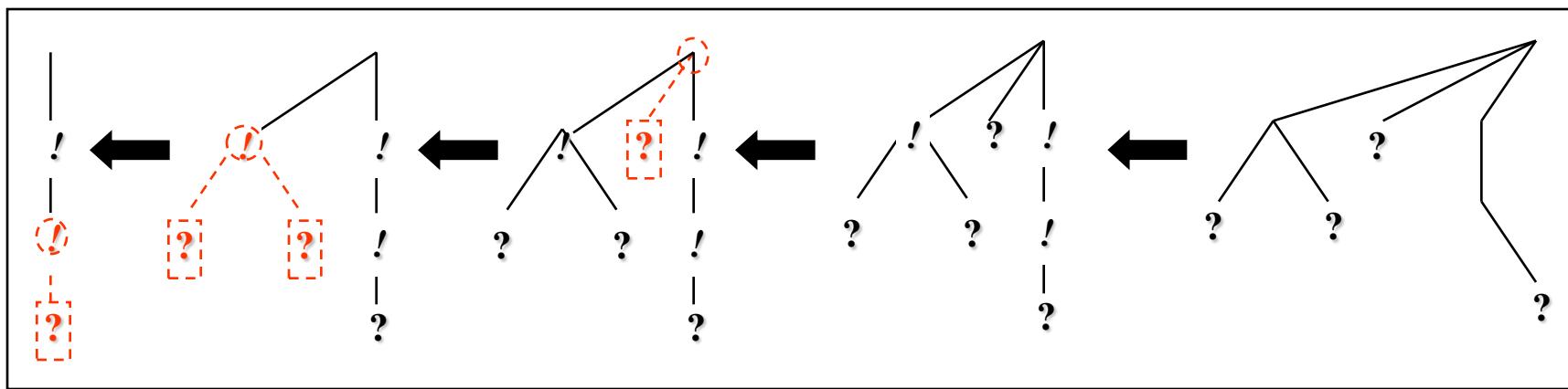
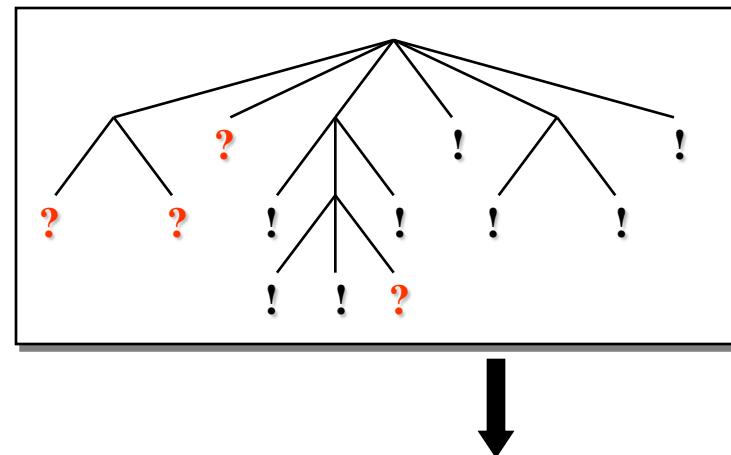
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Solving / Merging

- ▼ AM merges partial results
- ▼ AM solves cross-references

► System implementation () & trial:

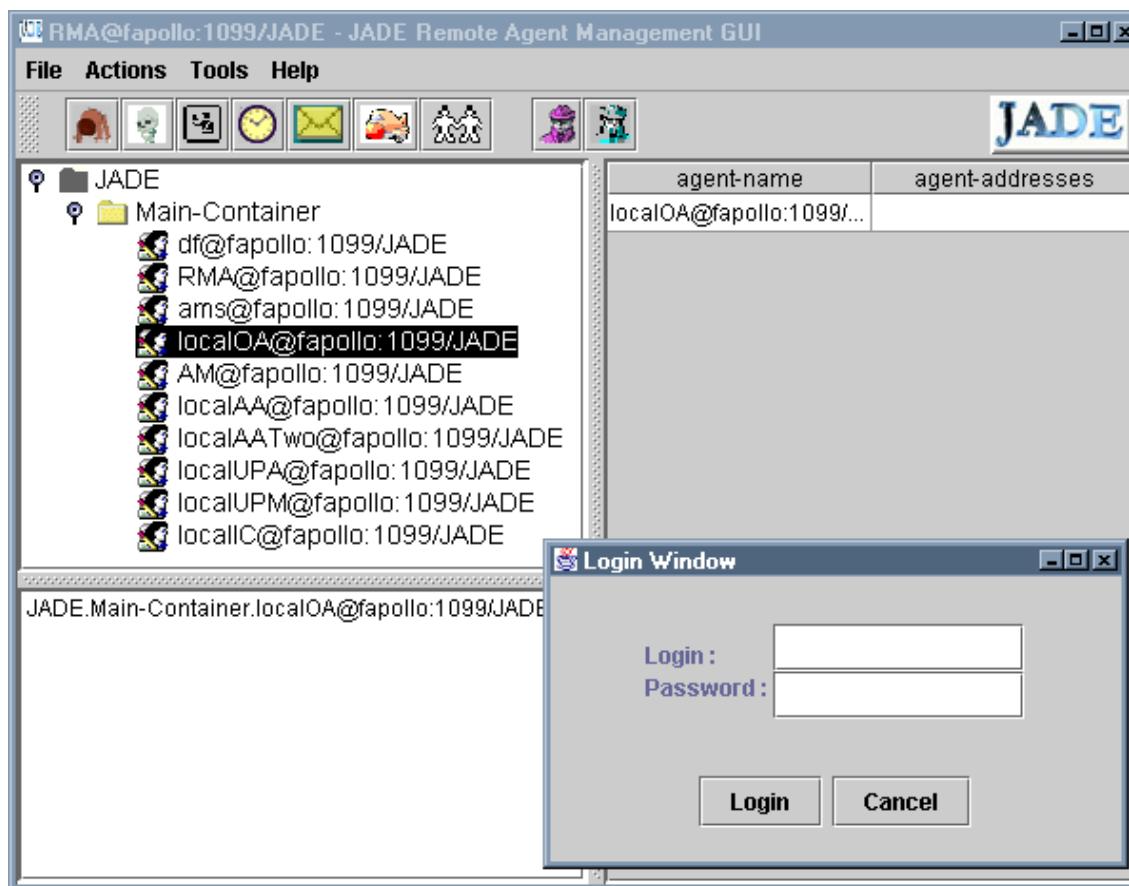
- ⌚ Ergonomics problems and complexity
- ⌚ Large scale real evaluation
- 😊 Working system i.e. proof of concept
- 😊 Usability and Usefulness recognized
- 😊 Developer appreciation of Agent-Onto coupling
- 😊 Industrial interest in the dvp^{nt} of the prototype

► Focused criticisms:

- ▼ **pseudo**-semantic distance; literal analysis
- ▼ **over** specialisation; fine tuning, other criteria
- ▼ decomposition improvements (existential qualification, constraint focal point and heuristics)

► Results ∈ PhD to be defended in October

► Take home message: "looking for Post Doc." 😊



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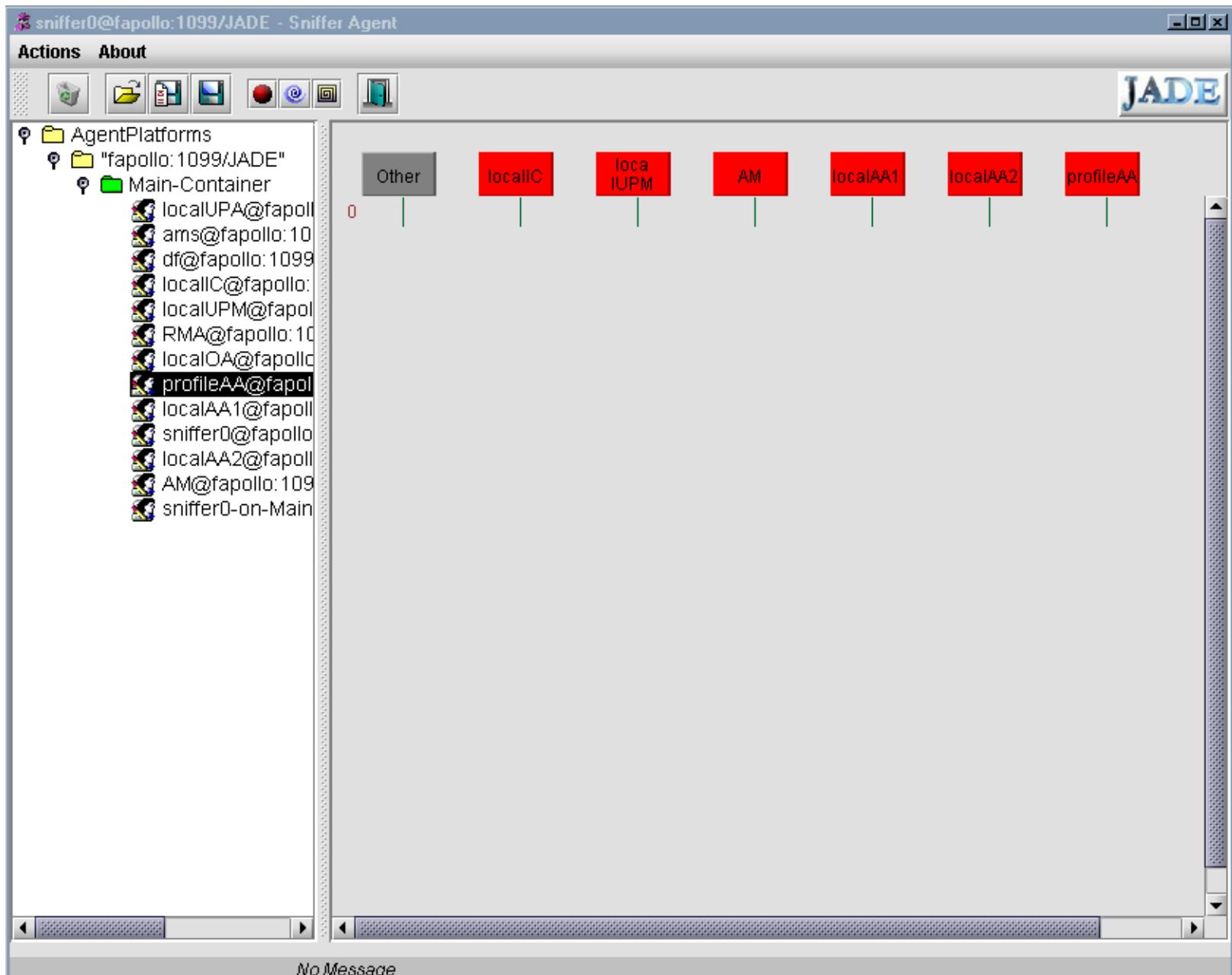
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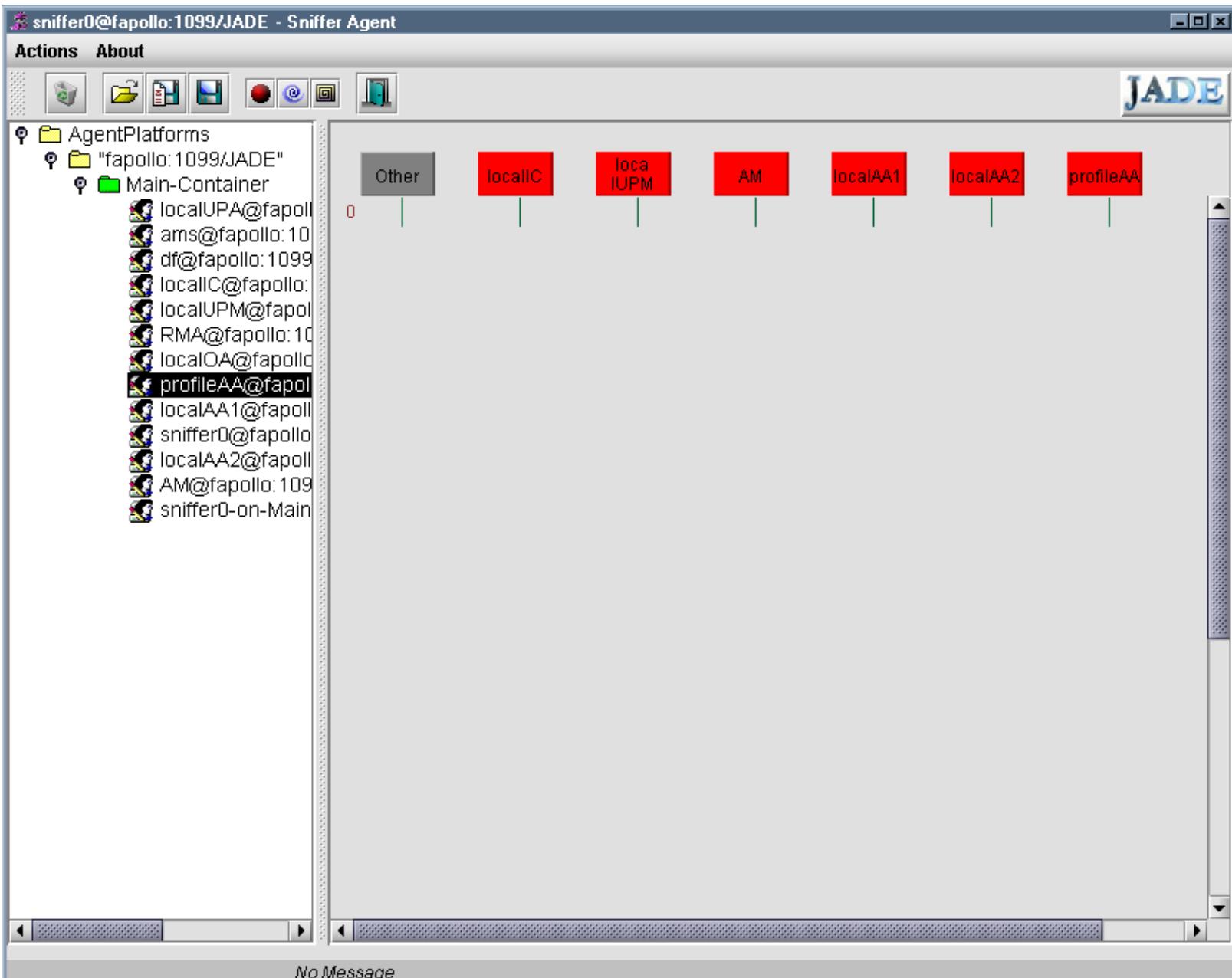
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