



Apprentissage de la structure des réseaux bayésiens : état de l'art et intégration de connaissances sémantiques

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Bayesian network definition

Definition

(Pearl 1985)

- A Bayesian network (BN) is defined by
 - one qualitative description of (conditional) dependences / independences between variables
directed acyclic graph (DAG)
 - one quantitative description of these dependences
conditional probability distributions (CPDs)

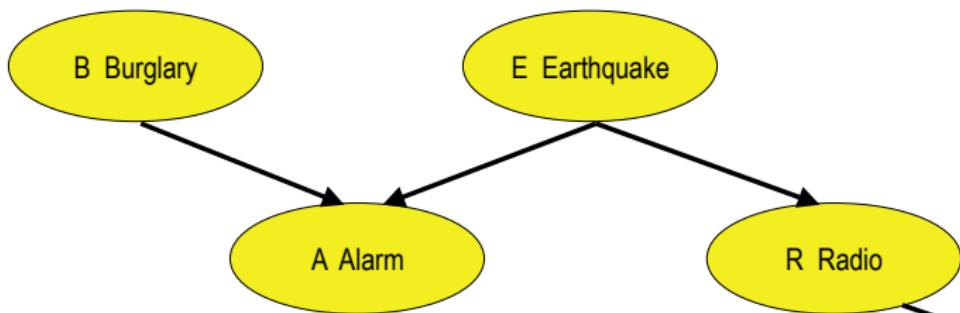
Example

one topological order : B, E, A, R, T (not unique)

$$P(\text{Burglary}) = [0.001 \ 0.999]$$

P(Earthquake)=[0.0001 0.9999]

P(Radio|Earthquake)



$P(\text{Alarm}|\text{Burglary}, \text{Earthquake})$

	Burglary,Earthquake =			
	Y,Y	Y,N	N,Y	N,N
Alarm=Y	0.75	0.10	0.99	0.10
Alarm=N	0.25	0.90	0.01	0.90

	Radio =	
	Y	N
TV=Y	0.99	0.50
TV=N	0.01	0.50

Consequence

Chain rule

$$P(S) = P(S_1) \times P(S_2|S_1) \times P(S_3|S_1, S_2) \times \cdots \times P(S_n|S_1 \dots S_{n-1})$$

Consequence

Consequence with a BN

- $P(S_j|S_1 \dots S_{j-1}) = P(S_j|parents(S_j))$ so

$$P(S) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(S_i | parents(S_i))$$

- The (global) joint probability distribution is decomposed in a product of (local) conditional distributions
 - BN = compact representation of the joint distribution $P(S)$ given some information about dependence relationships between variables

Markov equivalence

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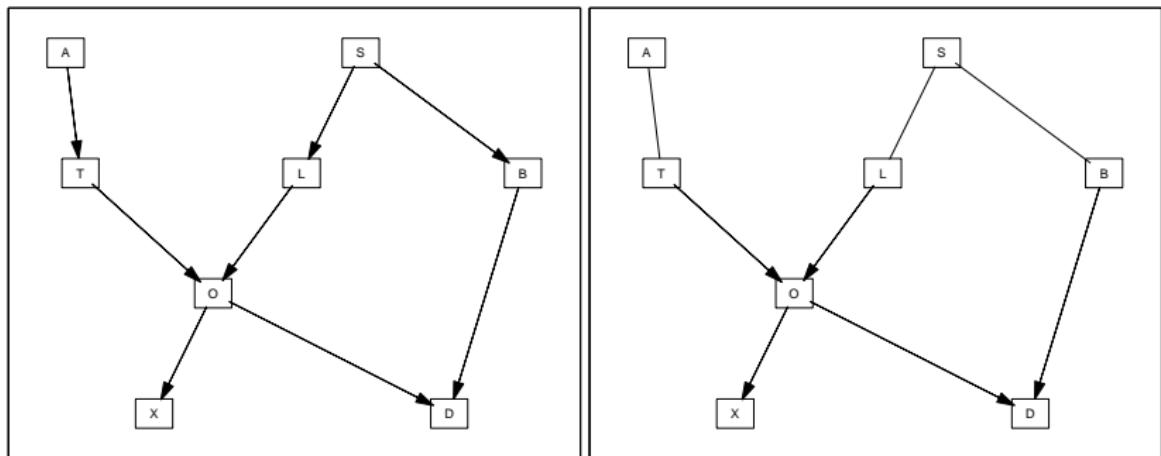
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Graphical properties

- B_1 and B_2 have the same skeleton, V-structures and inferred edges.
 - All the equivalent graphs (= equivalence class) can be summarized by one partially directed DAG named CPDAG or Essential Graph

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BN structure learning

How to build / learn a Bayesian Network ?

① DAG is known, how to determine the CPDs ?

- from experts : knowledge elicitation
- from complete data / incomplete data

② DAG is unknown, how to determine it (or the CPDAG) ?

- **from complete data** / incomplete data
- latent variable discovery ?



Structure learning is a complex task

Size of the "solution" space

- the number of possible DAGs with n variables is super-exponential w.r.t n (Robinson 77)

$$NS(n) = \begin{cases} 1, & n = 0 \text{ or } 1 \\ \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{i+1} \binom{n}{i} 2^{i(n-1)} NS(n-i), & n > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$NS(5) = 29281 \quad NS(10) = 4.2 \times 10^{18}$$

- an exhaustive search is impossible !



Structure learning algorithms

How to search a **good** BN ?

- Constraint-based methods
BN = independence model
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Two reference algorithms

- Pearl et Verma : IC, IC*
- Spirtes, Glymour et Scheines : SGS, PC, CI, FCI

Common principle

- build an undirected graph describing direct dependences between variables (χ^2 tests)
 - by adding edges (Pearl et Verma)
 - by deleting edges (SGS)
- detect V-structures (from previous statistical tests)
- propagate some edge orientation (inferred edges) in order to obtain a CPDAG



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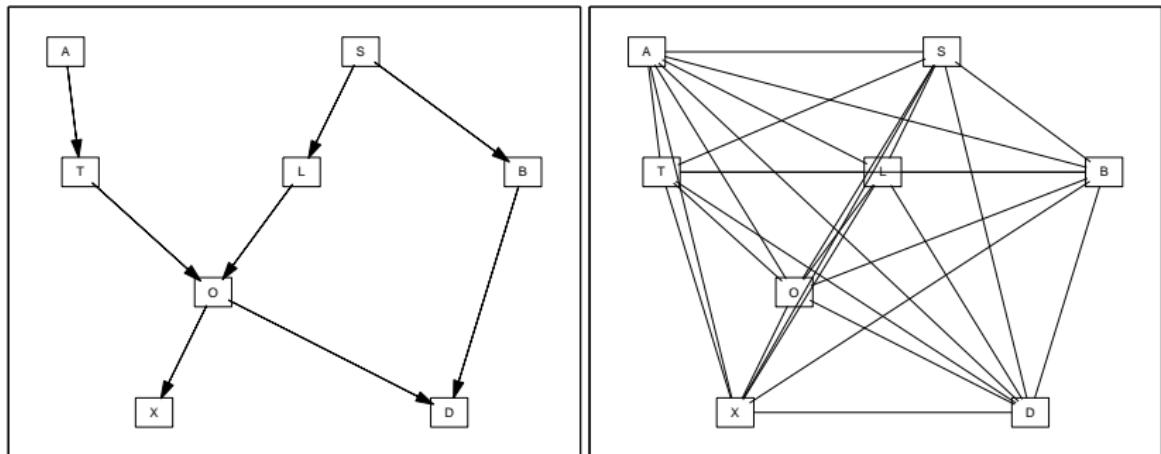
Some inconvenients

- reliability of CI test conditionally to several variables with a limited amount of data)
 - SGS heuristic : if $df < \frac{N}{10}$, then declare dependence
- Combinatorial explosion of the number of tests
 - PC heuristic : begin with order 0 ($X_A \perp X_B$) then order 1 ($X_A \perp X_B \mid X_C$), etc ...

PC algorithm

Step 0 : undirected complete graph

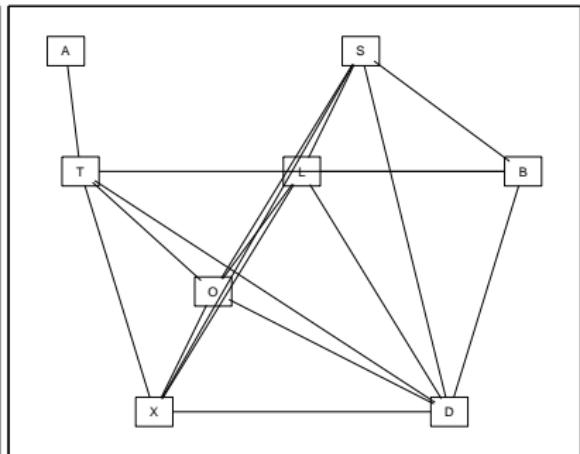
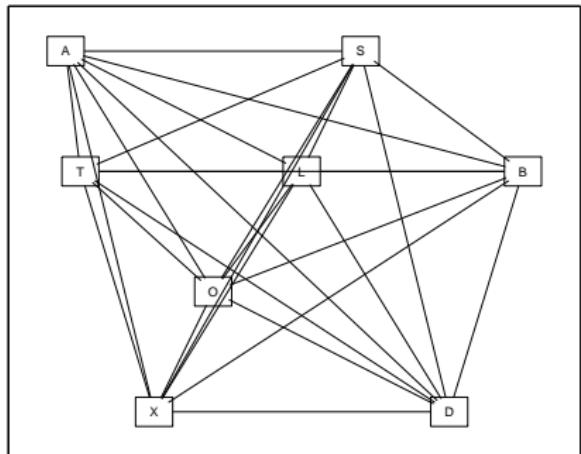
Left : target BN used to generate 5000 samples.



PC algorithm

Step 1a : delete all order 0 independences discovered

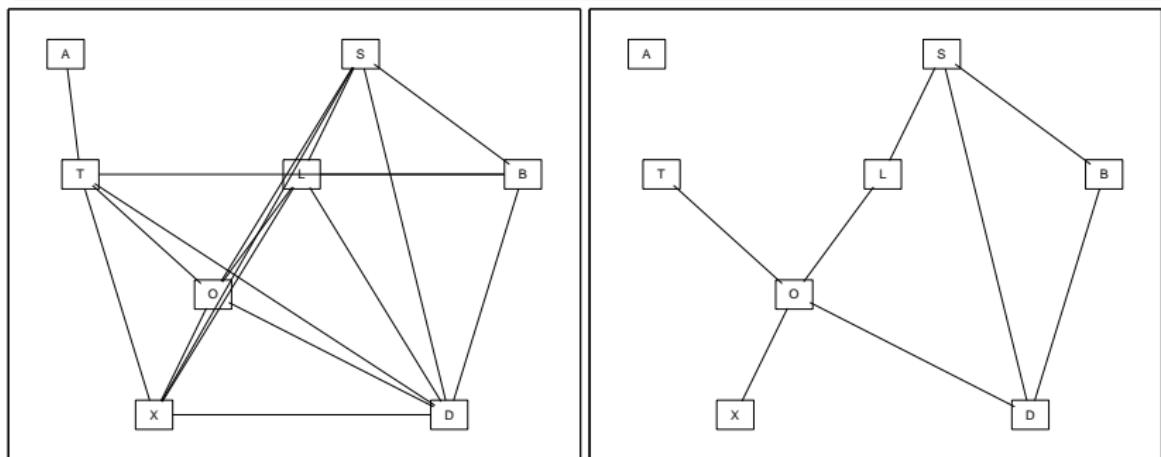
$$\chi^2: S \perp A \quad L \perp A \quad B \perp A \quad O \perp A \quad X \perp A \quad D \perp A \quad T \perp S \quad L \perp T \quad O \perp B \quad X \perp B$$



PC algorithm

Step 1a : delete all order 1 independences discovered

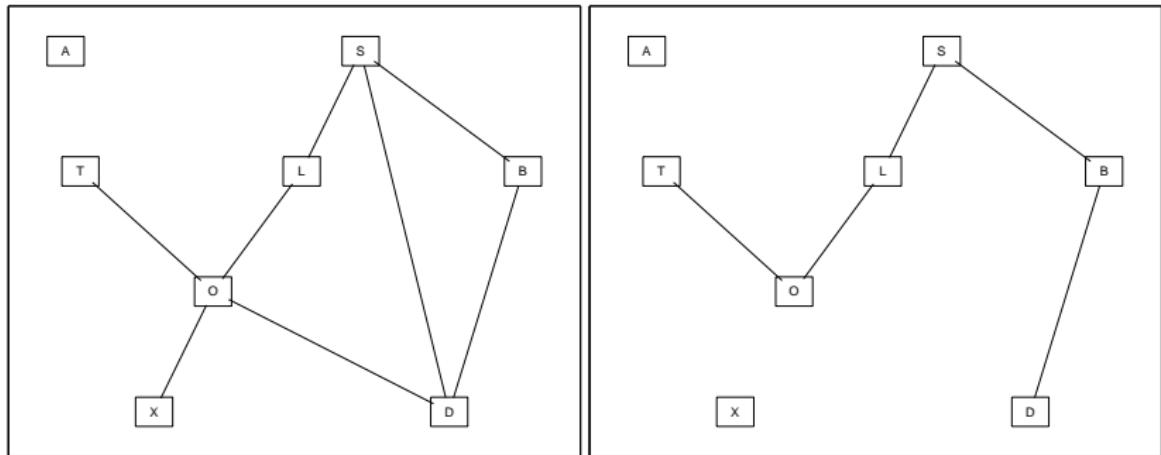
$$\chi^2: T \perp A | O \quad O \perp S | L \quad X \perp S | L \quad B \perp T | S \quad X \perp T | O \quad D \perp T | O \dots$$



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Step 1a : delete all order 2 independences discovered

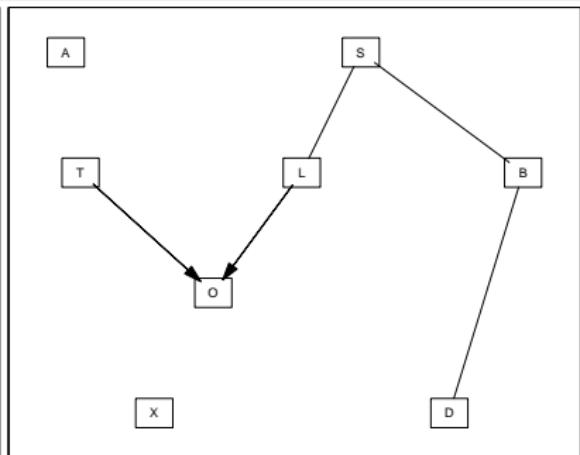
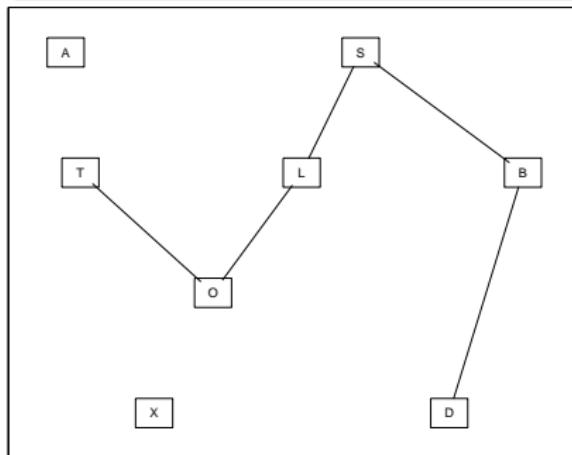
$$\chi^2: D \perp S | \{L, B\} \quad X \perp O | \{T, L\} \quad D \perp O | \{T, L\}$$



PC algorithm

Step 2 : research V-structures

χ^2 : one V-structure $T \rightarrow O \leftarrow L$ is discovered



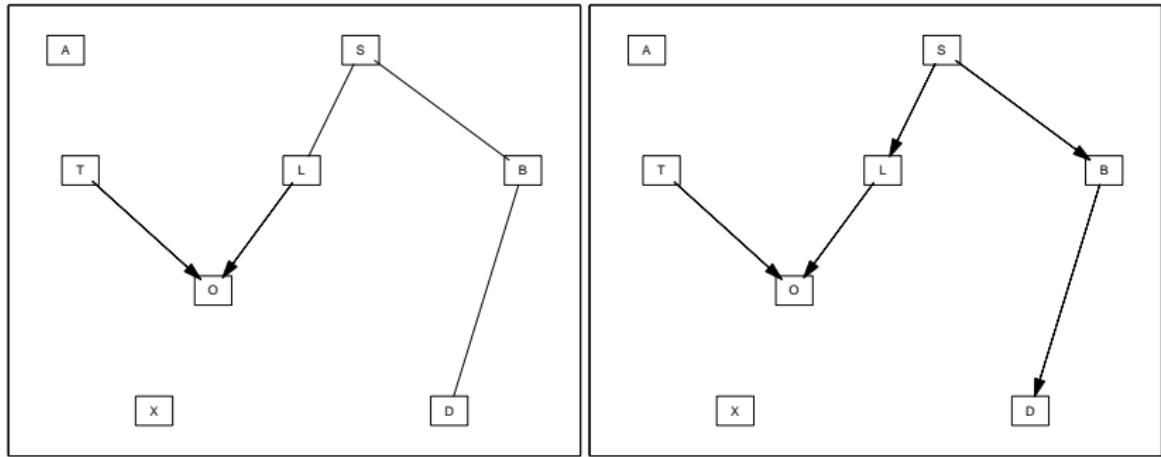
Step 3 : inferred edges

no one in this example

PC algorithm

From CPDAG to DAG

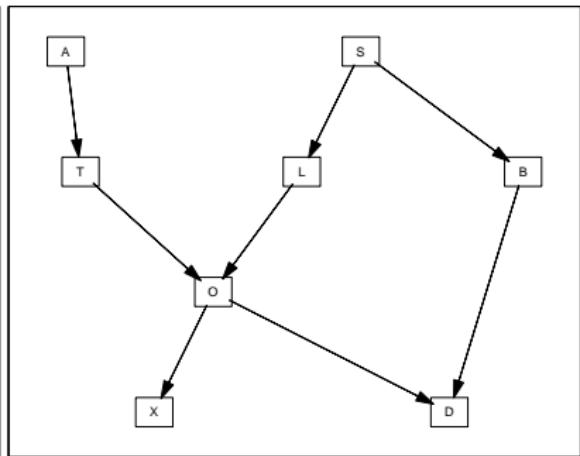
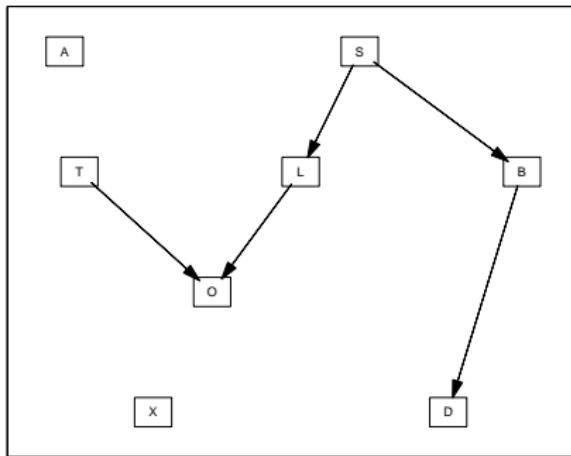
Orientation of the remaining undirected edges
(only constraint : do not create any new V-structure)



PC algorithm

Obtained DAG versus target one

χ^2 test with 5000 samples fails to discover
 $A \rightarrow T$, $O \rightarrow X$ and $O \rightarrow D$





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Notion of score

General principle : Occam razor

- *Pluralitas non est ponenda sine neccesitate*
(La pluralité (des notions) ne devrait pas être posée sans nécessité) plurality should not be posited without necessity
- *Frustra fit per plura quod potest fieri per pauciora*
(C'est en vain que l'on fait avec plusieurs ce que l'on peut faire avec un petit nombre) It is pointless to do with more what can be done with fewer

= Parcimony principle : find a model

- fitting the data \mathcal{D} : likelihood : $L(\mathcal{D}|\theta, B)$
- the simplest possible : dimension of B : $\text{Dim}(B)$



Score examples

AIC and BIC

- Compromise between likelihood and complexity
- Application of AIC (Akaike 70) and BIC (Schwartz 78) criteria

$$S_{AIC}(B, \mathcal{D}) = \log L(\mathcal{D} | \theta^{MV}, B) - \text{Dim}(B)$$

$$S_{BIC}(B, \mathcal{D}) = \log L(\mathcal{D} | \theta^{MV}, B) - \frac{1}{2} \text{Dim}(B) \log N$$

Bayesian scores : BD, BDe, BDeu

- $S_{BD}(B, \mathcal{D}) = P(B, \mathcal{D})$ (Cooper et Herskovits 92)
- $BDe = BD + \text{score equivalence}$ (Heckerman 94)

$$S_{BD}(B, \mathcal{D}) = P(B) \prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{j=1}^{q_i} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha_{ij})}{\Gamma(N_{ij} + \alpha_{ij})} \prod_{k=1}^{r_i} \frac{\Gamma(N_{ijk} + \alpha_{ijk})}{\Gamma(\alpha_{ijk})}$$



Score properties

Two important properties

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 - DAG with node ordering : K2 algorithm
 - greedy search
 - genetic algorithms, ...
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Restriction to tree space

Principle

- what is the best tree connecting all the nodes,
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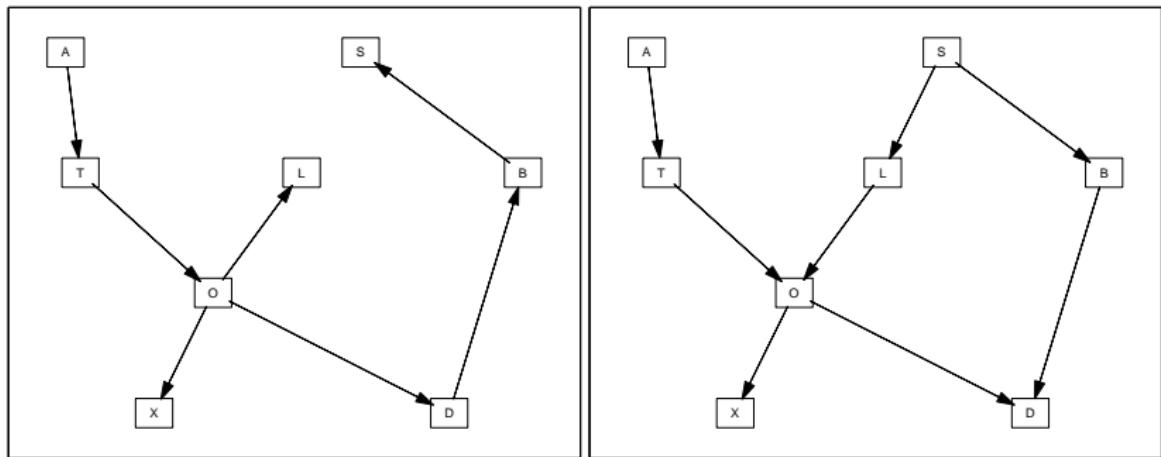
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Remarks

- MWST returns an undirected tree
 - this undirected tree = CPDAG of all the directed tree with this skeleton
 - Obtain a directed tree by (randomly) choosing one root and orienting the edges with a depth first search over this tree

Example : obtained DAG vs. target one



MWST can not discover cycles neither V-structures (tree space !)



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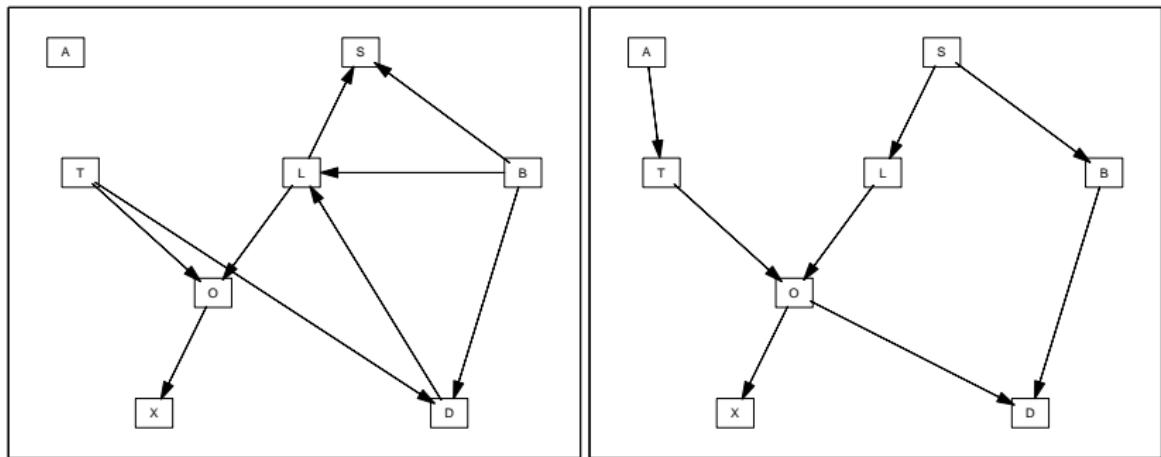


Greedy search

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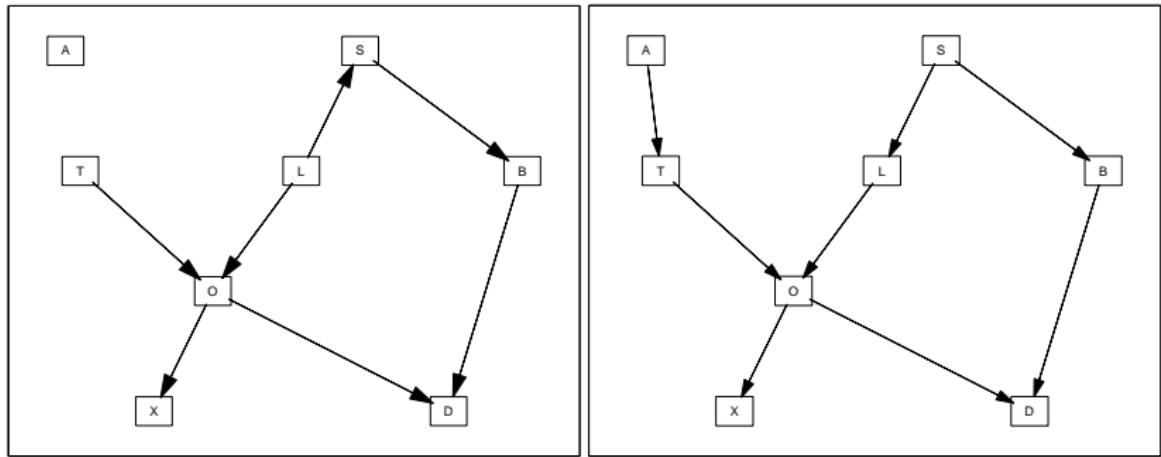
- Exploration of the search space with traversal operators
 - add edge
 - invert edge
 - delete edge
- and respect the DAG definition (no cycle)
- exploration can begin from any given DAG

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start = empty graph. GS result = local optimum :-(

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start = MWST result. GS result is better



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What about changing our search space

Preliminaries

- IC/PC result = CPDAG
- MWST result = CPDAG
- Score-based methods do not distinguish equivalent DAGs

Search in \mathcal{E}

- $\mathcal{E} = \text{CPDAG space}$
- Better properties : YES
 - 2 equivalents structures = 1 unique structure in \mathcal{E}
- Better size : NO
 - \mathcal{E} size is quasi similar to DAG space
(asymptotic ratio is 3,7 : Gillispie et Perlman 2001)

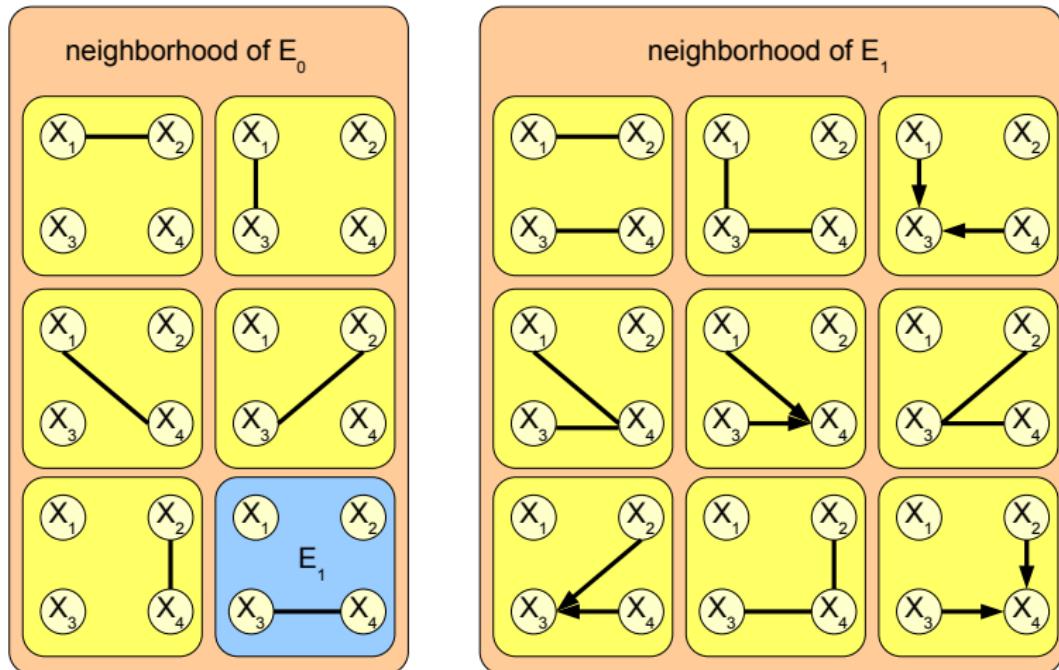
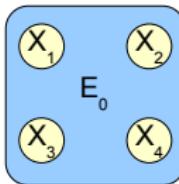


Greedy Equivalent Search

Principe (Chickering 2002)

- Greedy search in \mathcal{E}
- Phase 1 : add edges until convergence
- Phase 2 : delete edges until convergence

Add edge examples in \mathcal{E}





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Local search identification

Identification of MB(T) or PC(T)

- IAMB (Aliferis 2002)
 - MMPC (Tsamardinos et al. 2003), ...

Hybrid structure learning algorithms

- MMHC (Tsamardinos et al. 2006) = MMPC + Greedy search



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Intervention vs. Observation

- Probabilistic inference :
 - we observe $B = b$,
 - we compute $P(A|B = b)$
- Causal inference [Pearl 00]:
 - we manipulate/intervene upon B : $do(B = b)$

example with $A \rightarrow B$

- $P(A|do(B = b)) = P(A),$
- $P(B|do(A = a)) = P(B|A = a)$

example with $A \leftarrow B$

- $P(A|do(B = b)) = P(A|B = b),$
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Manipulation Theorem

- How is modified the joint distribution after one manipulation $do(M = m)$?

intuitive version

- we forget the "official" causes of M (its parents in the DAG)
- we keep the fact that $M = m$ for its raising effects (to M children)

official version

[Spirtes et al. 00]

$$P(v|do(m)) = \left(\prod_{V_i \in V \setminus M} P(v_i | Pa(V_i)) \right)_{M=m}$$



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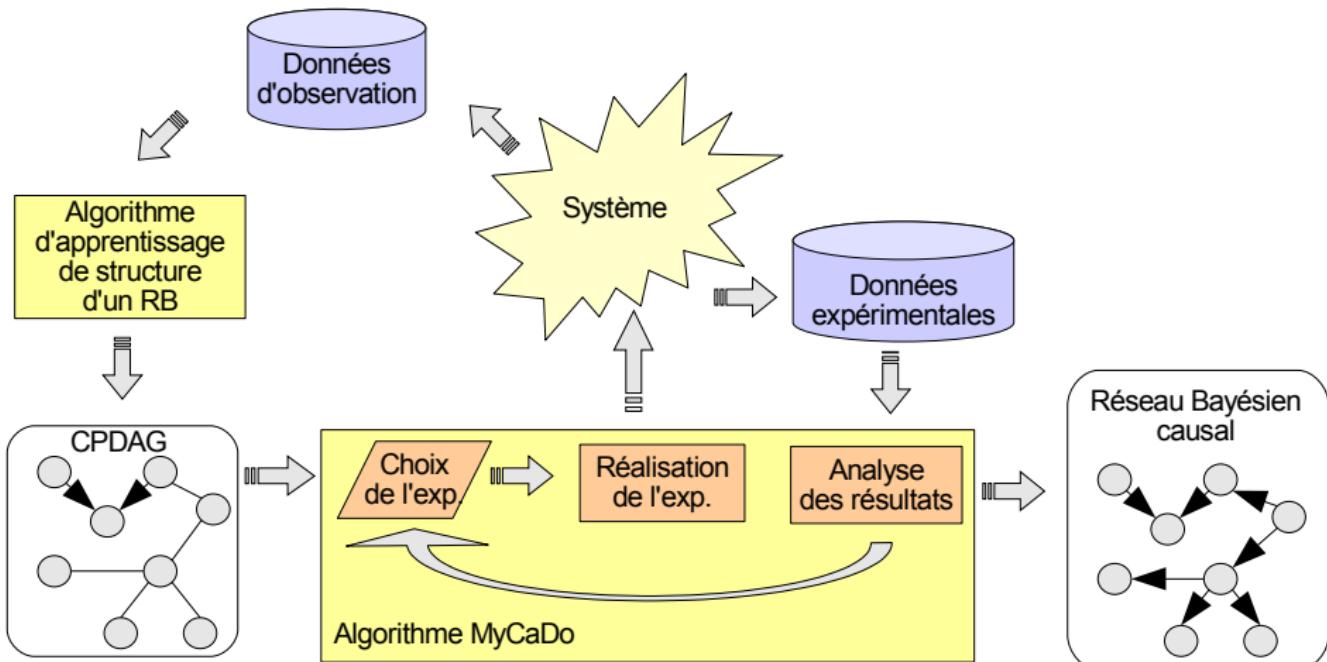
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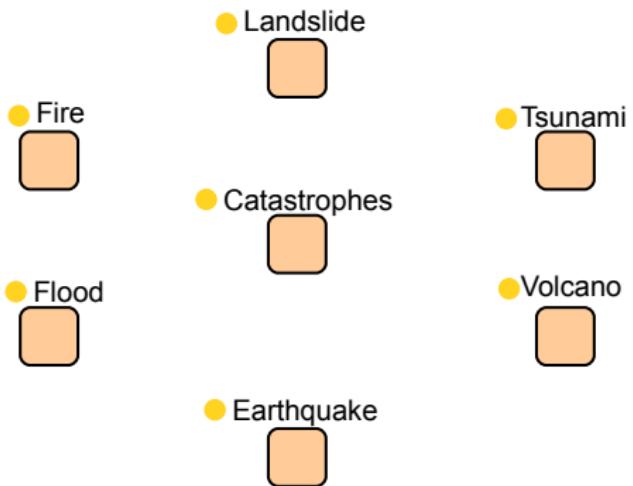
Ontology

Basics

- Definition:
 - Shared understanding within a community of people.
 - Declarative specification of entities and their relationships with each other.
 - Separate the domain knowledge from the operational knowledge.
- Construction: expertise, ontology evolution
- Reasoning: Description logic reasoners

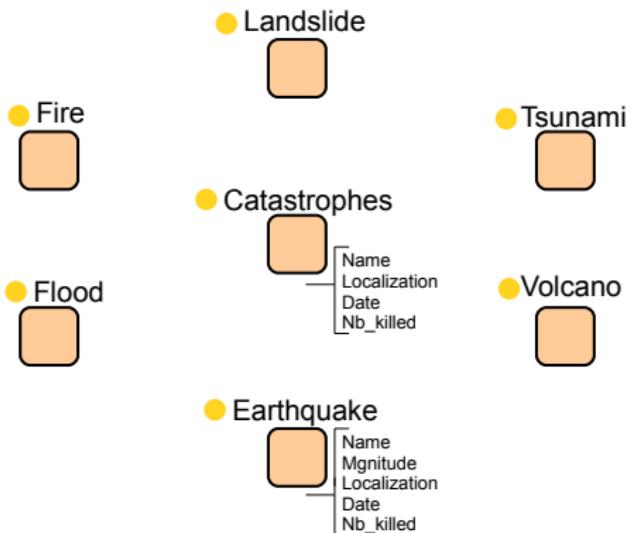
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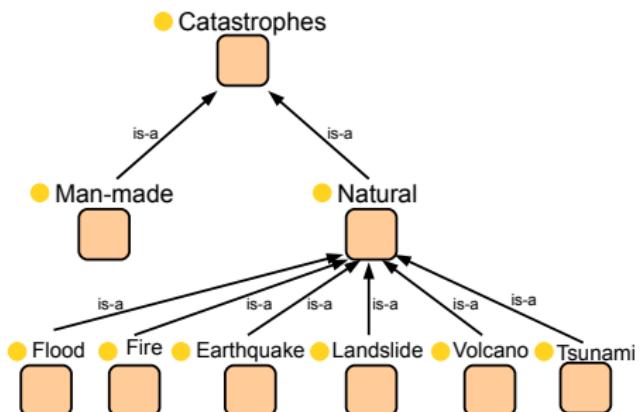
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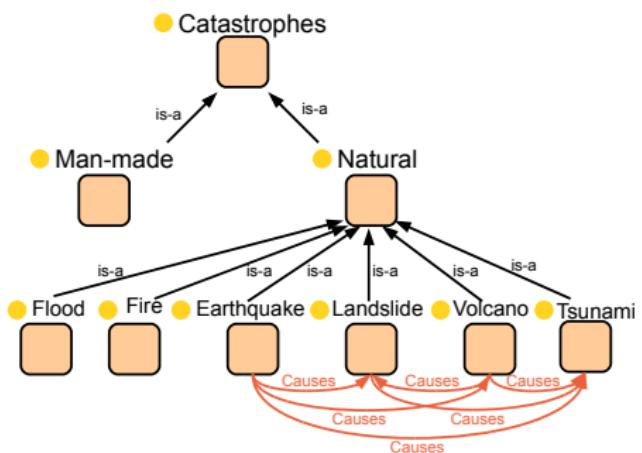
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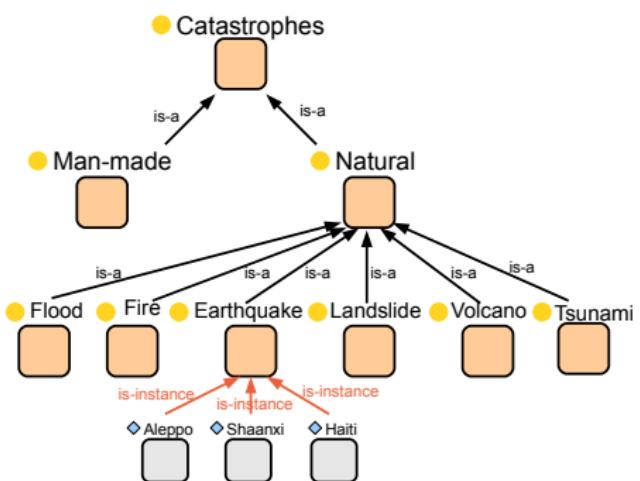
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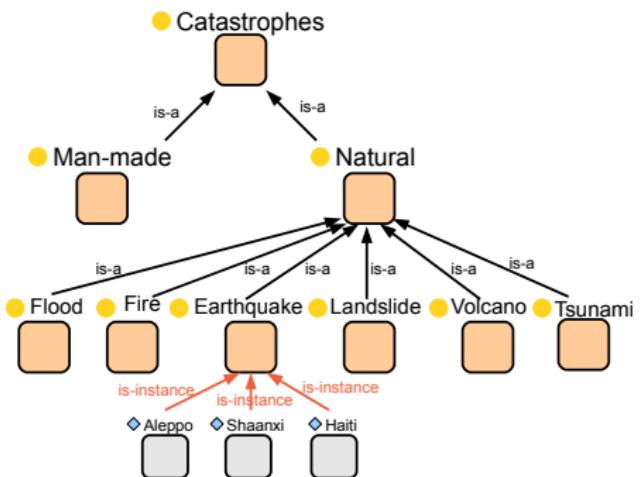
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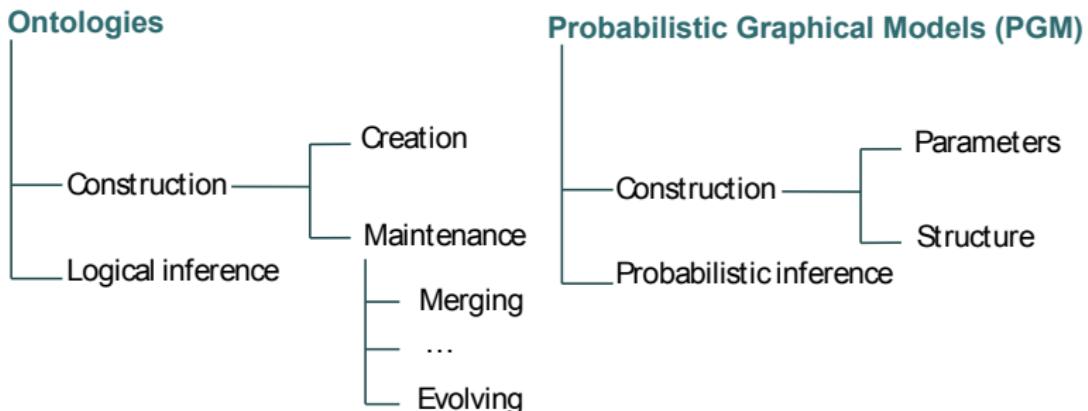
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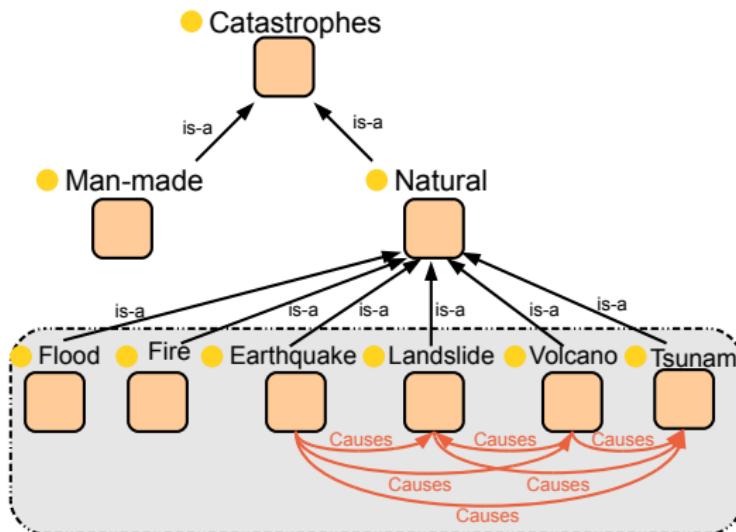
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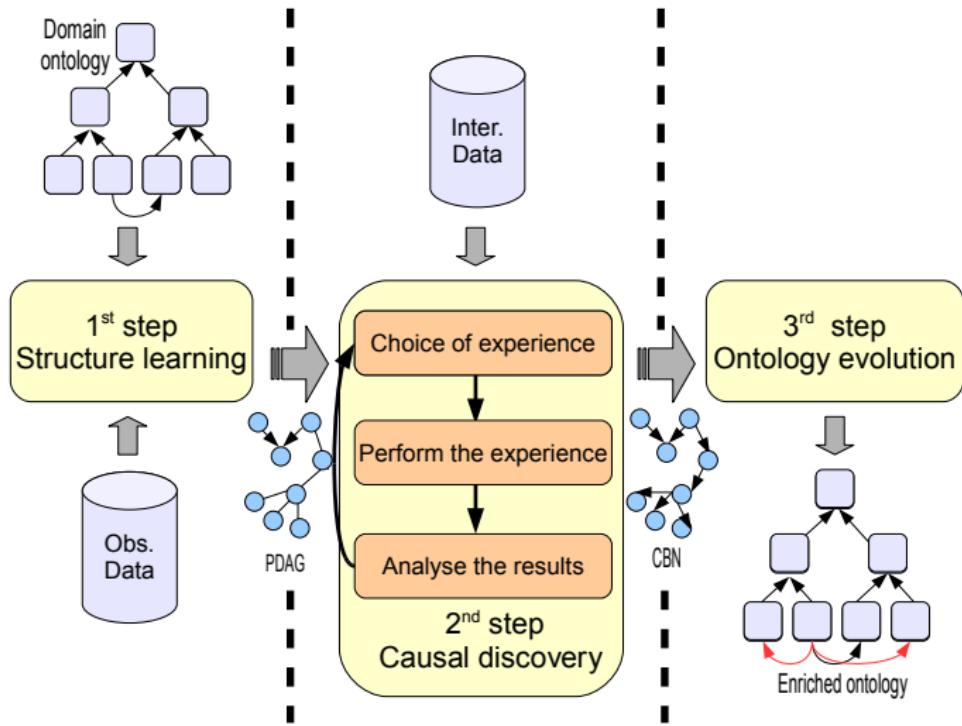
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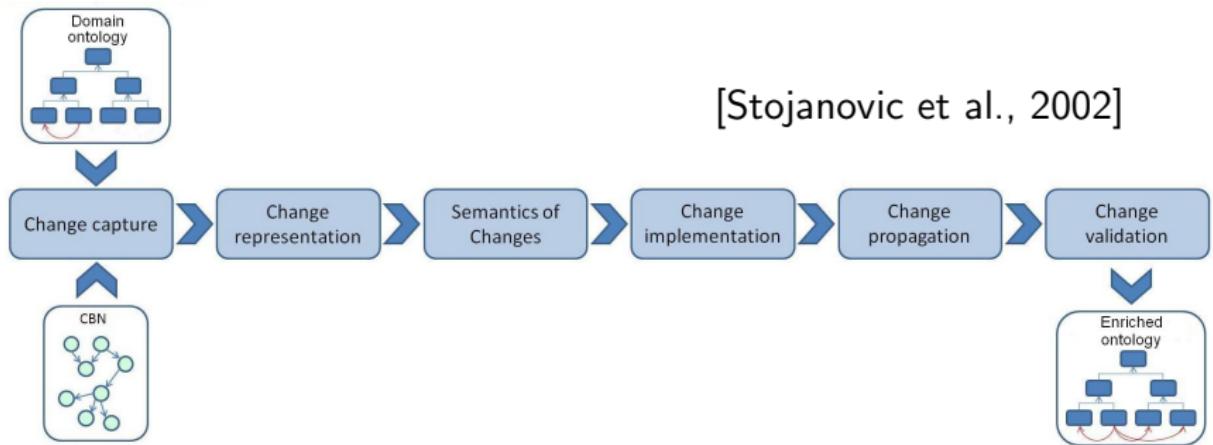
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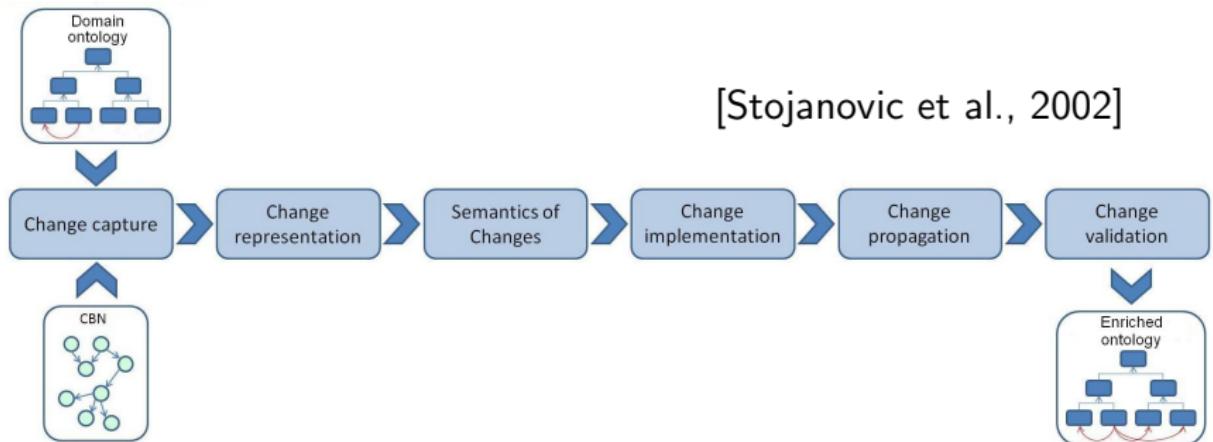
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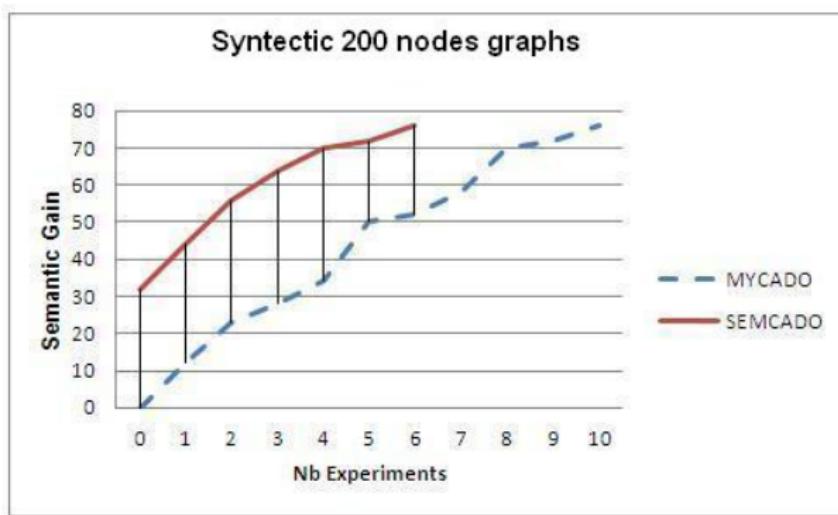
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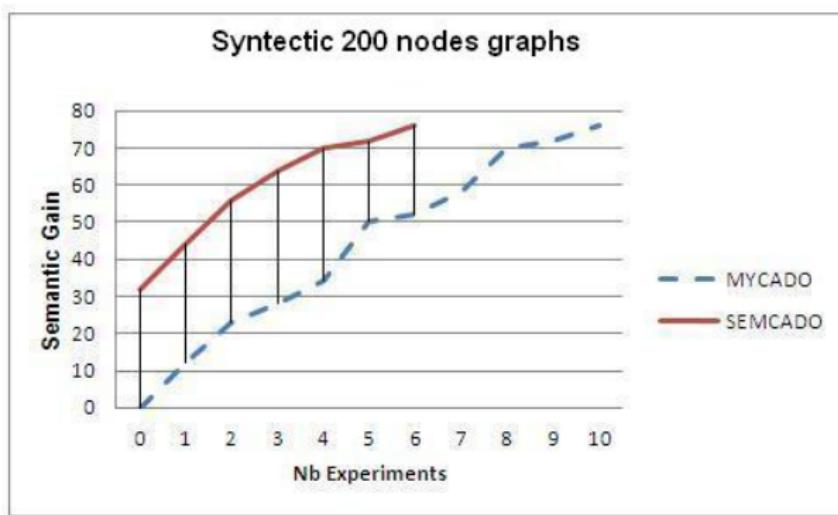
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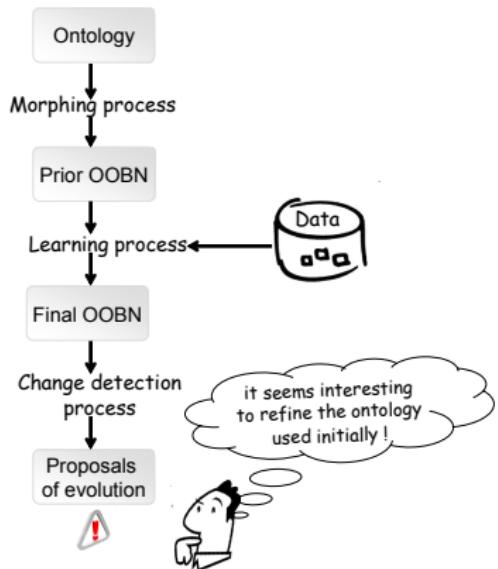
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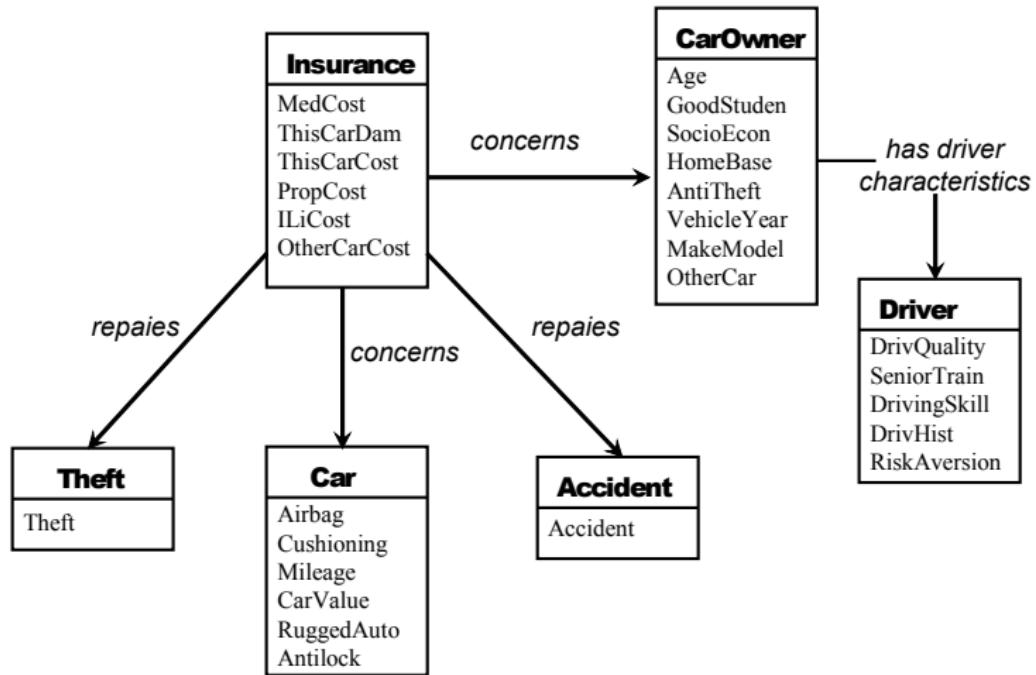


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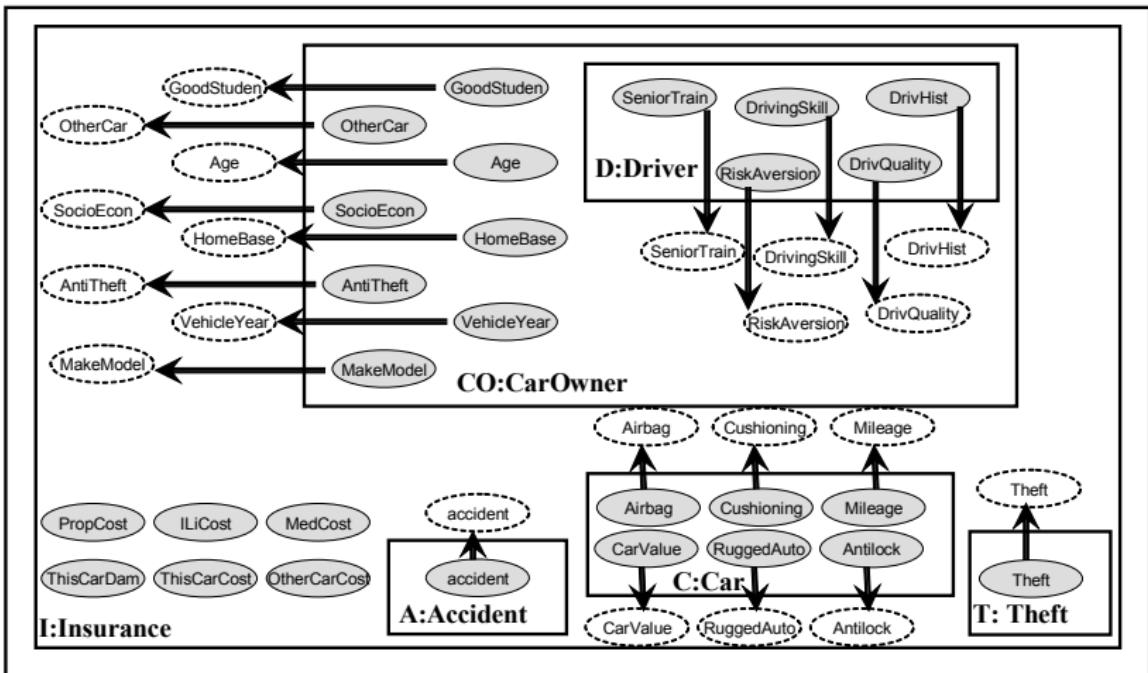
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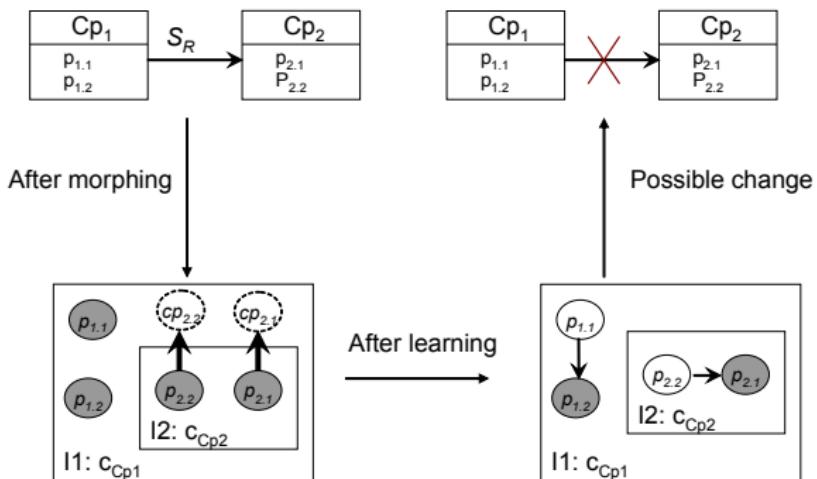
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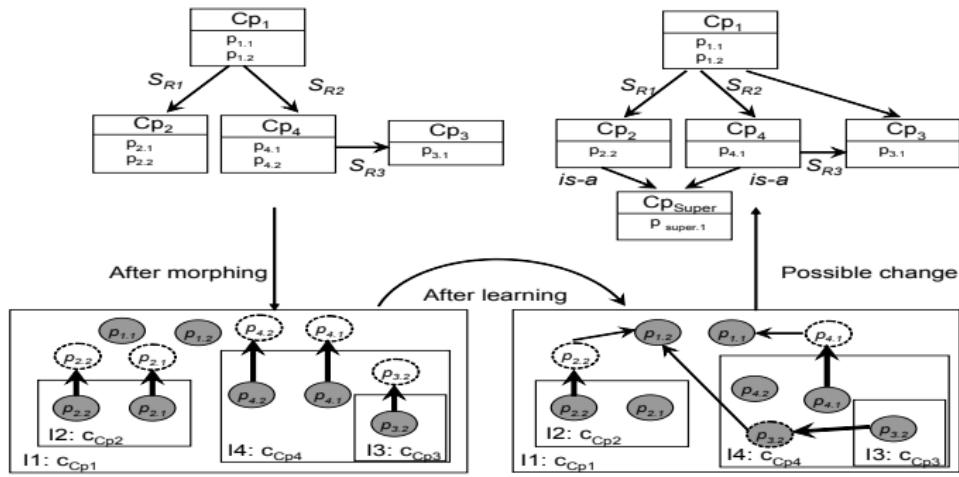
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- No common interface identified between two classes
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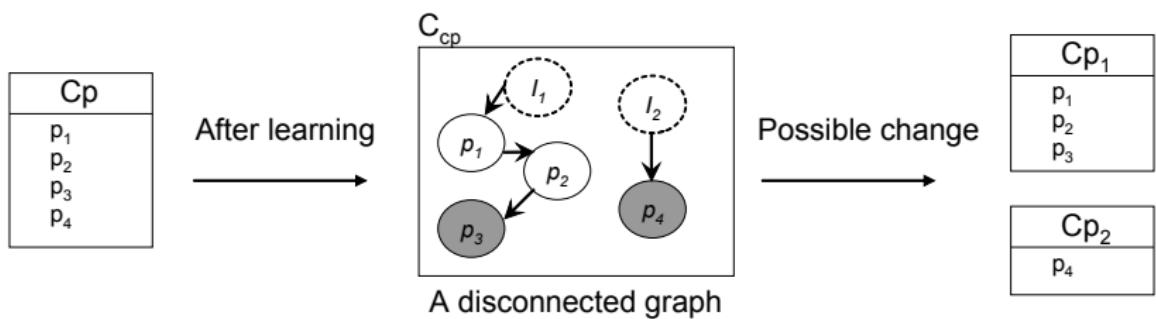
Example : add concepts / relations

- If c_{cp} communicates with only one class → Add relation.
 - Otherwise, check classes similarities → Add concepts / relations.



Example : concepts redefinition

- If the class contains more than one component, then The corresponding concept may be deconstructed into more refined ones.





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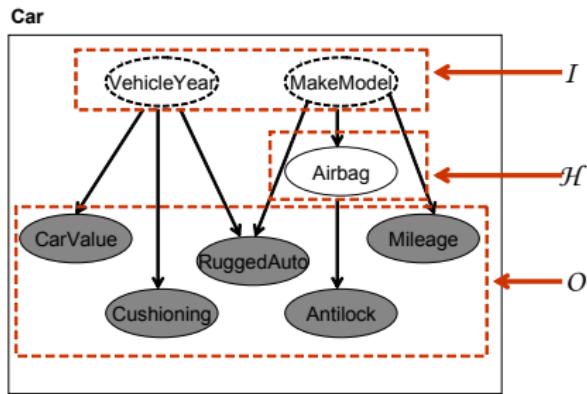


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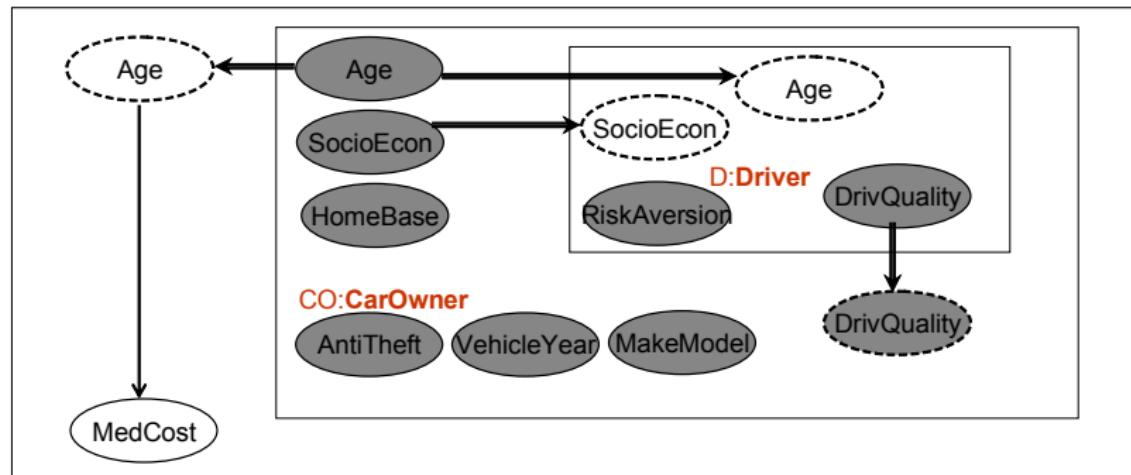


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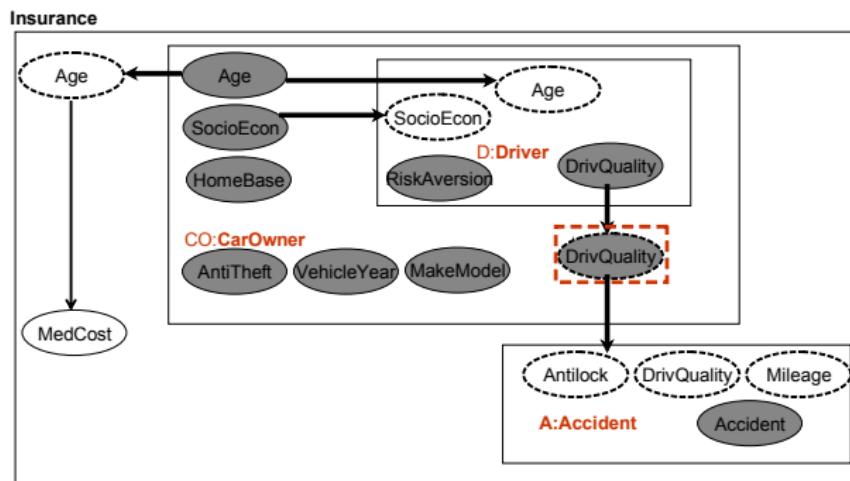
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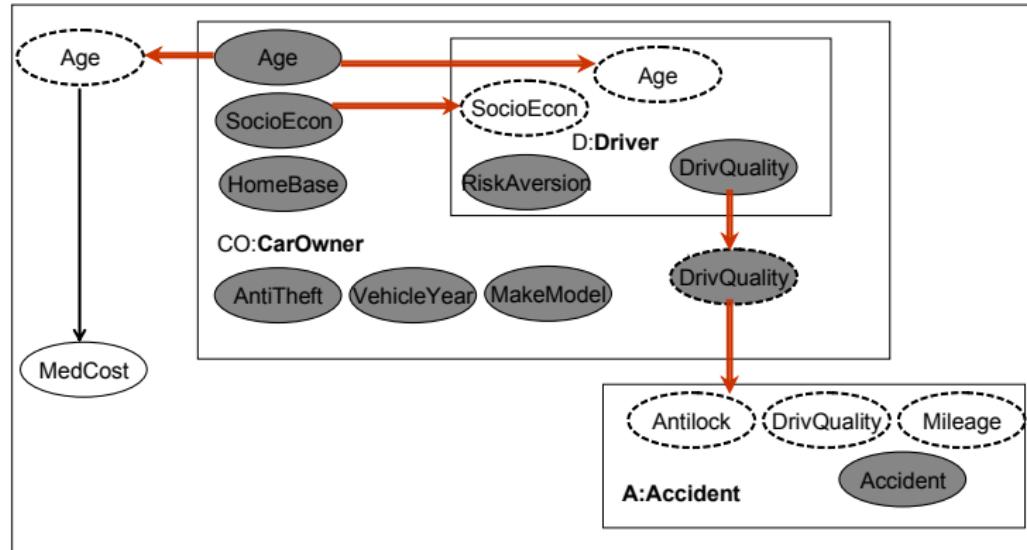
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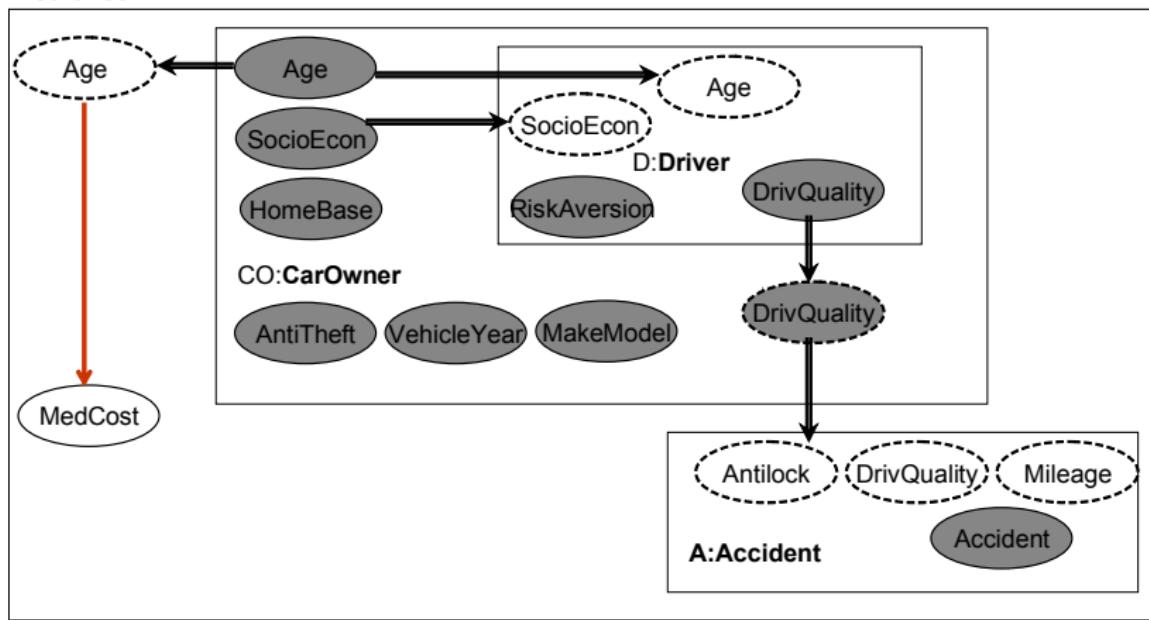
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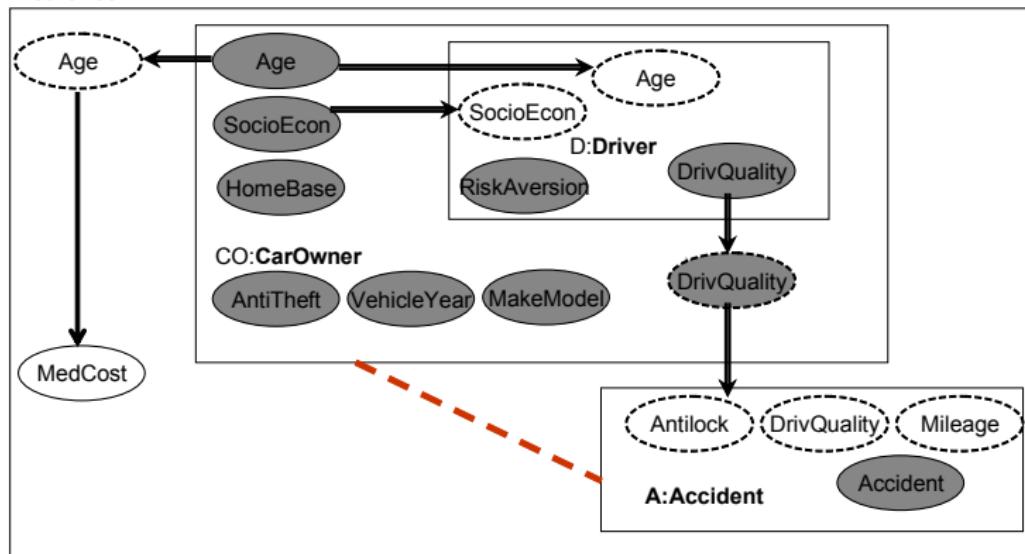
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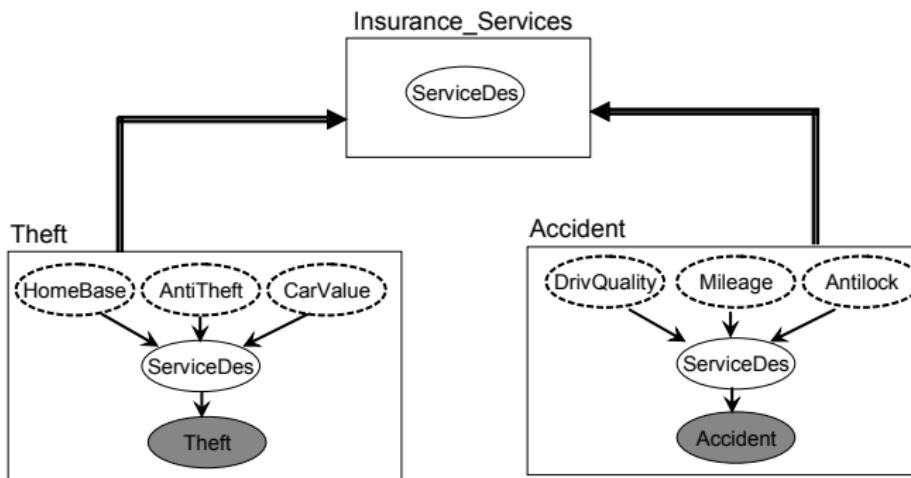
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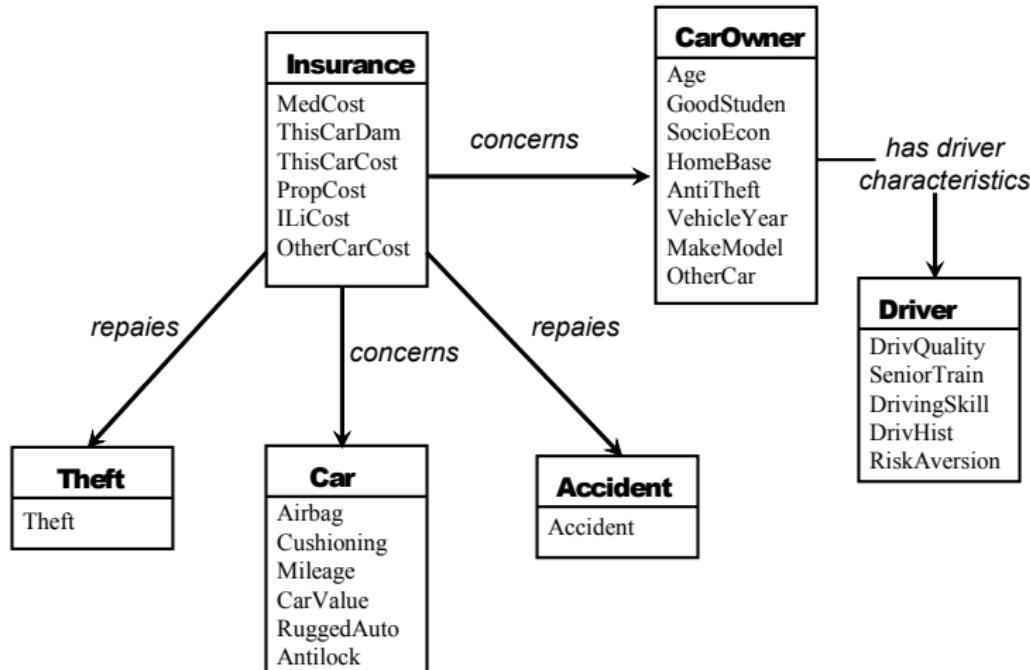


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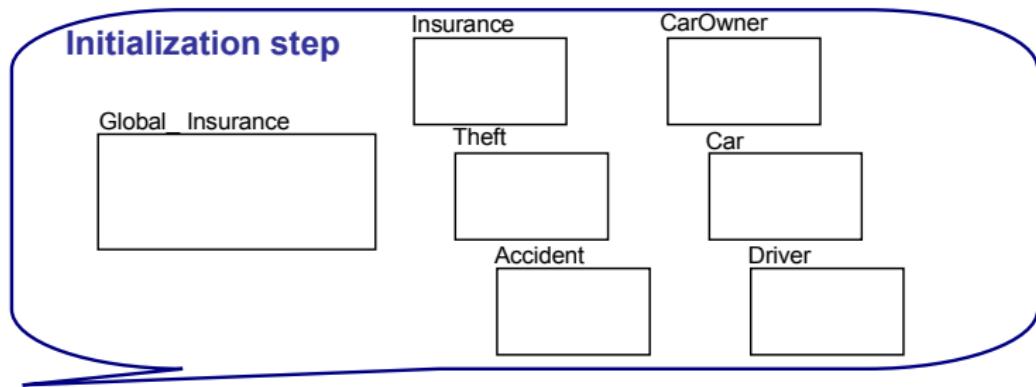
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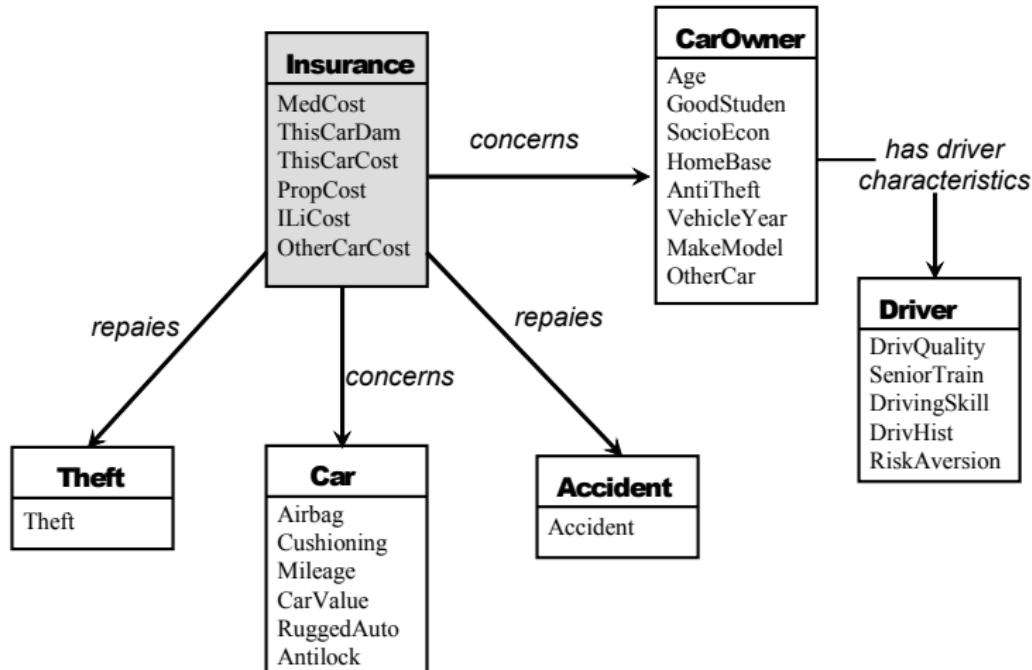
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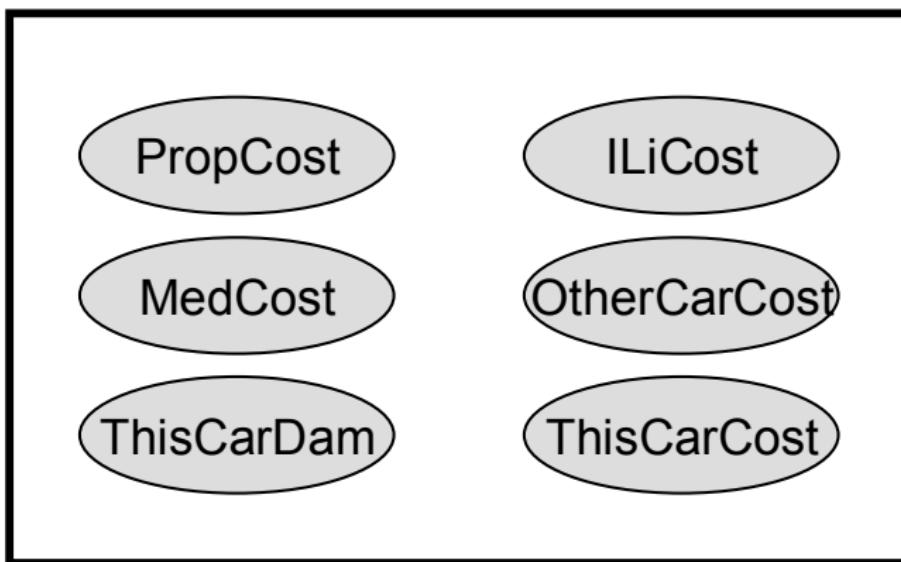


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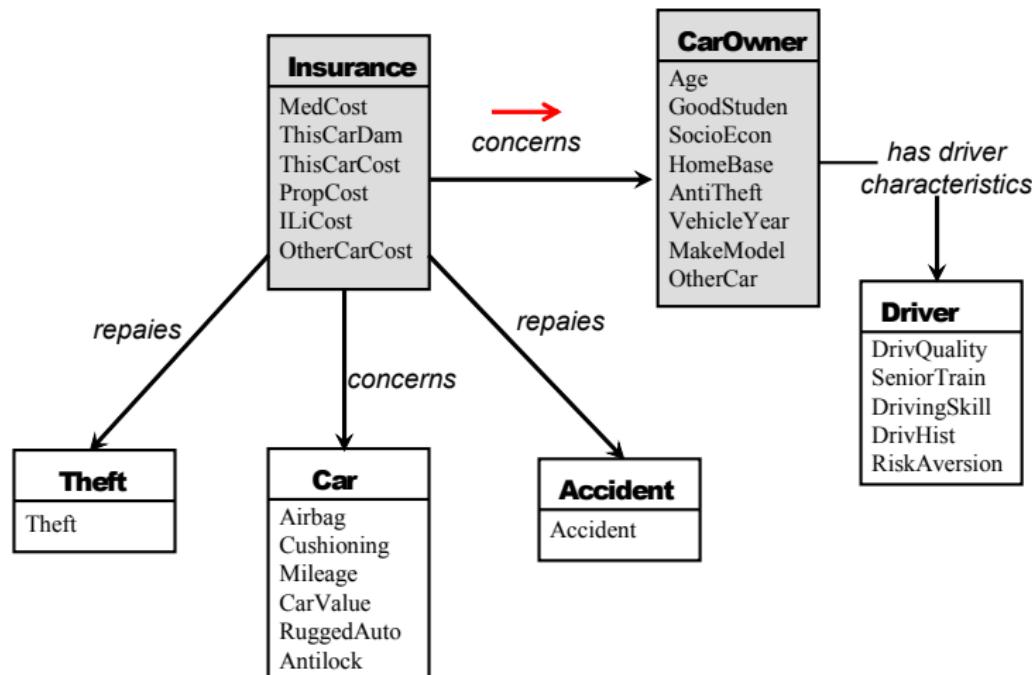


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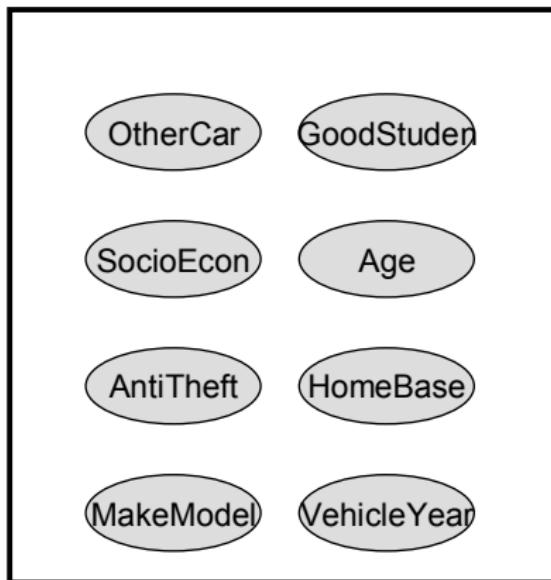


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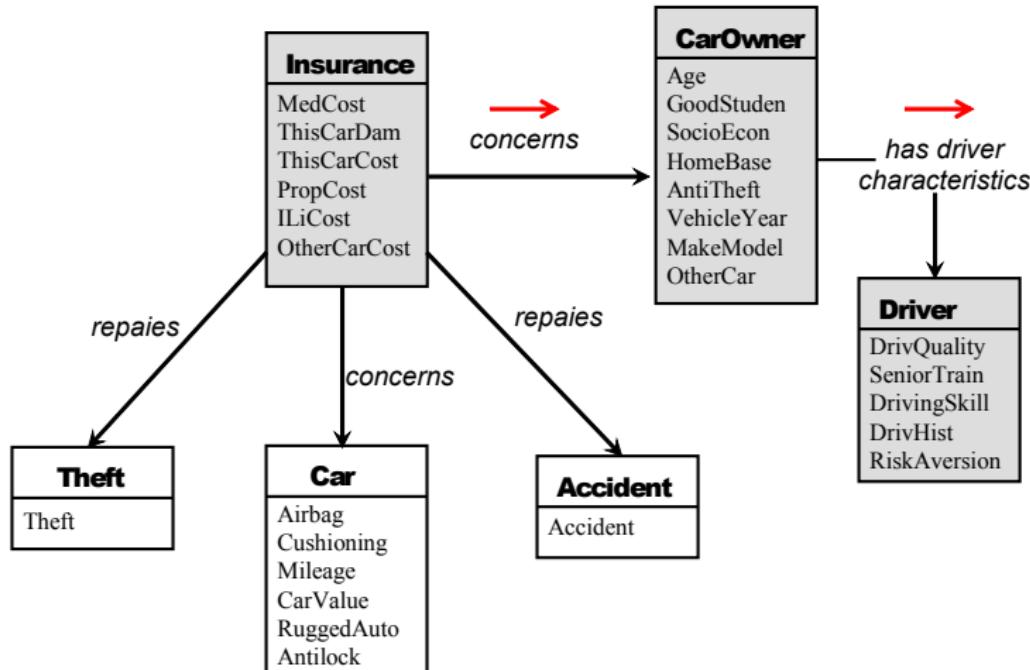


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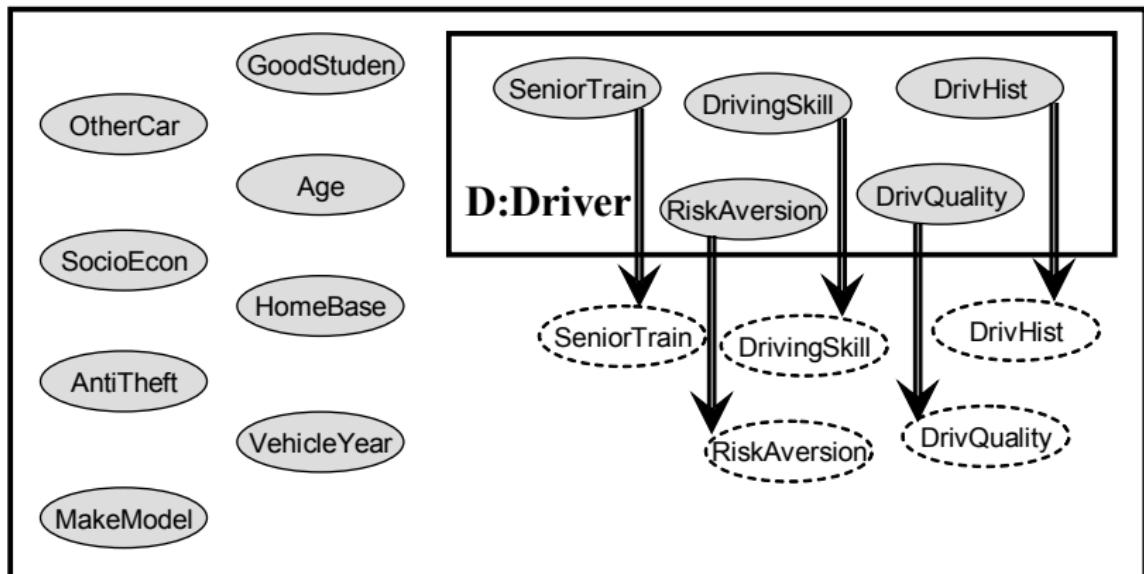


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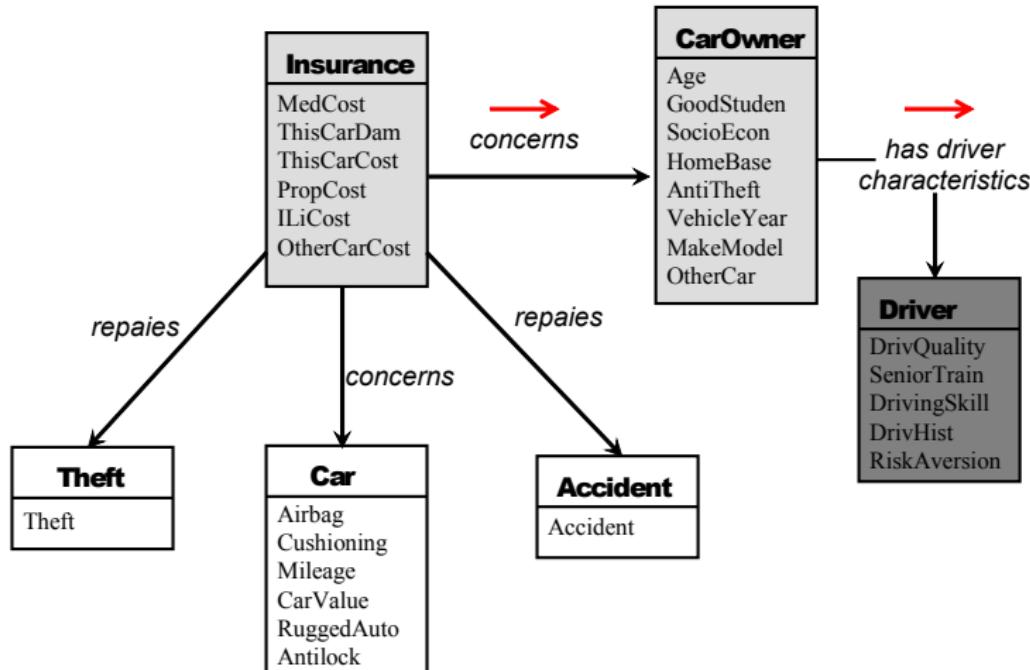


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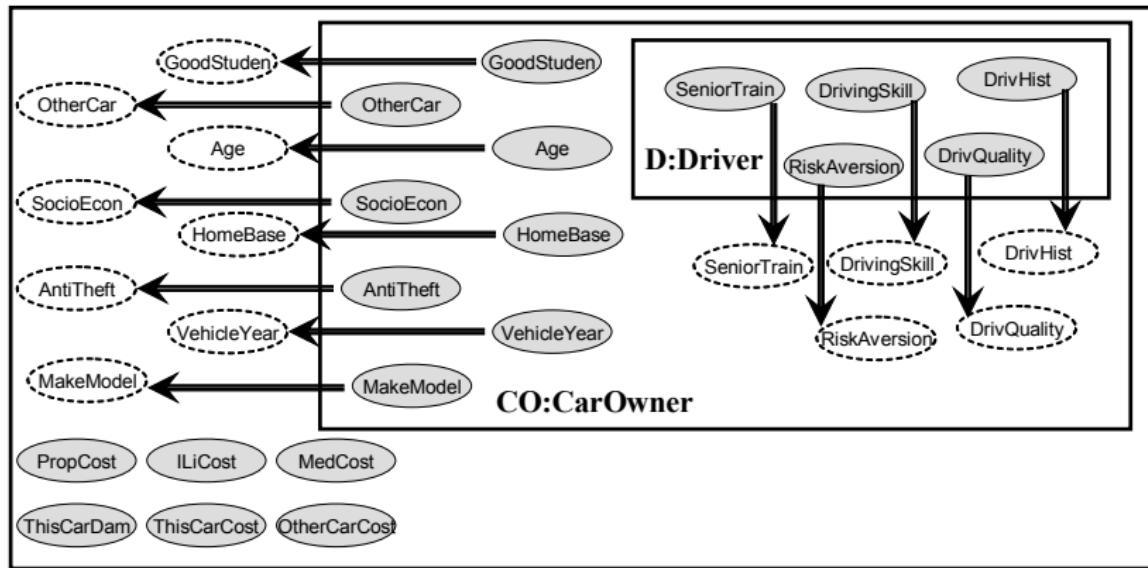


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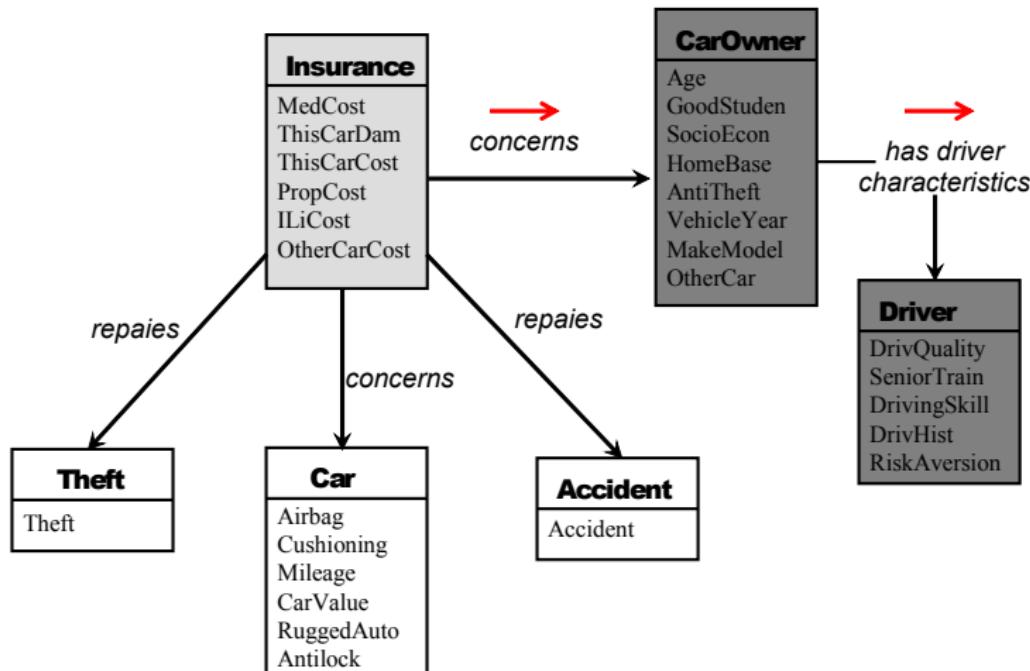


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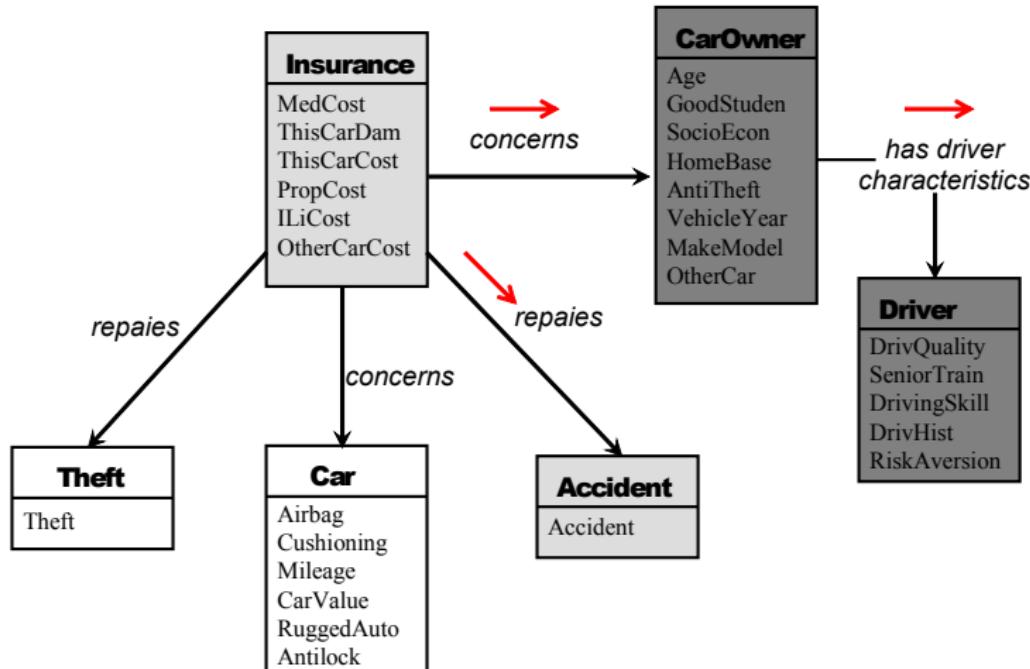
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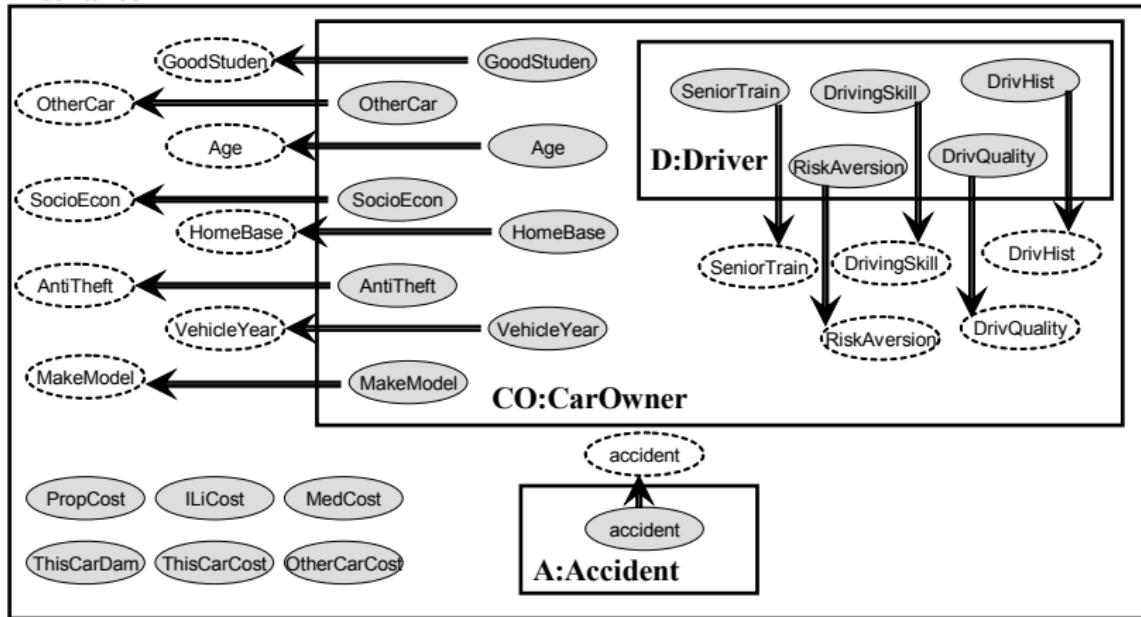


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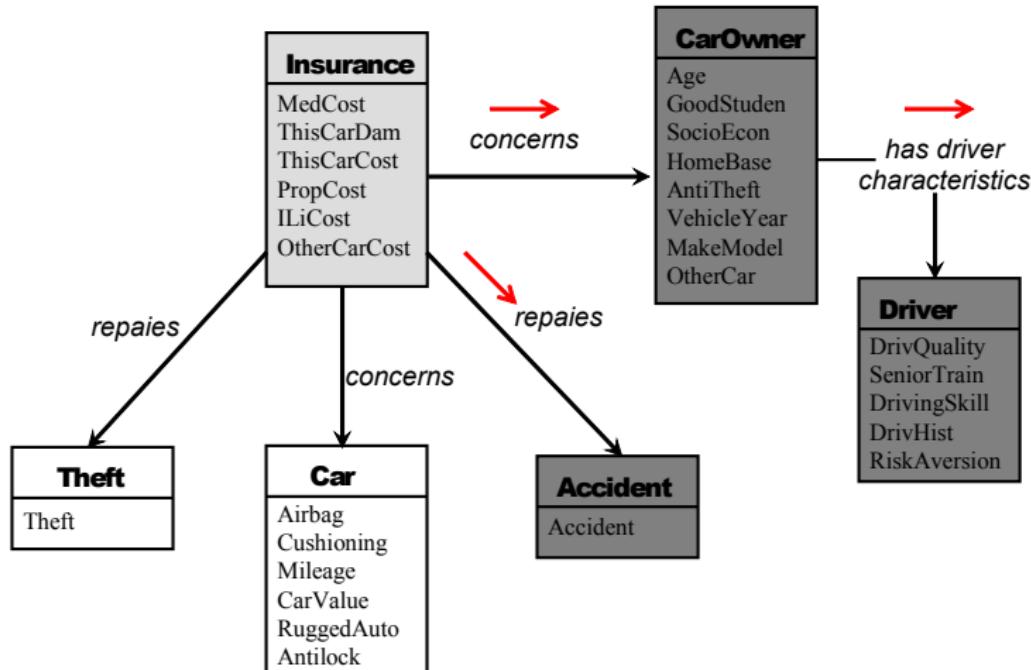


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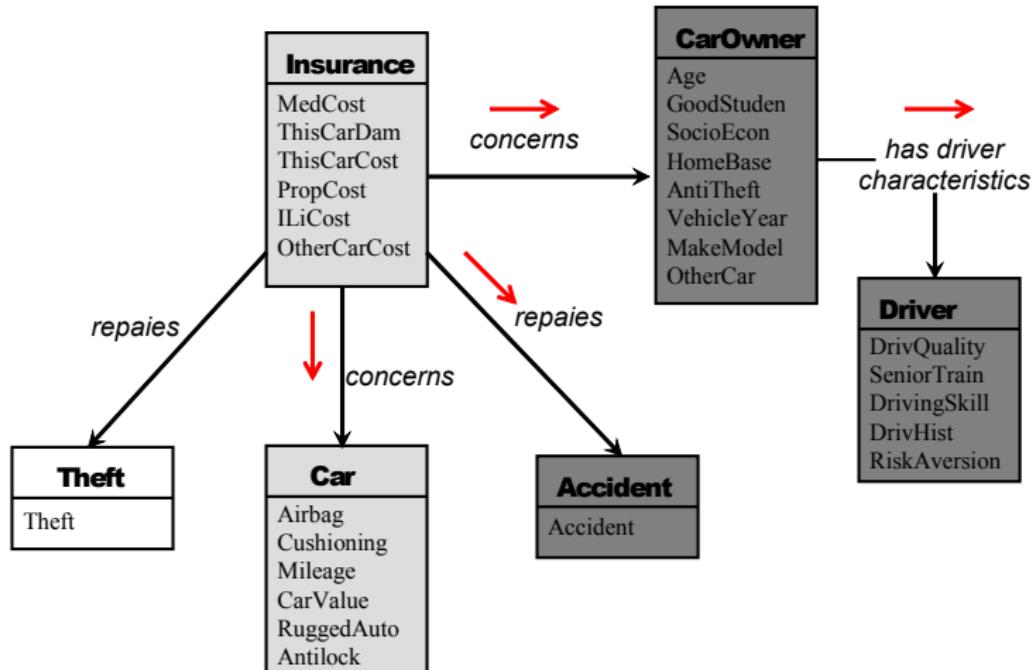
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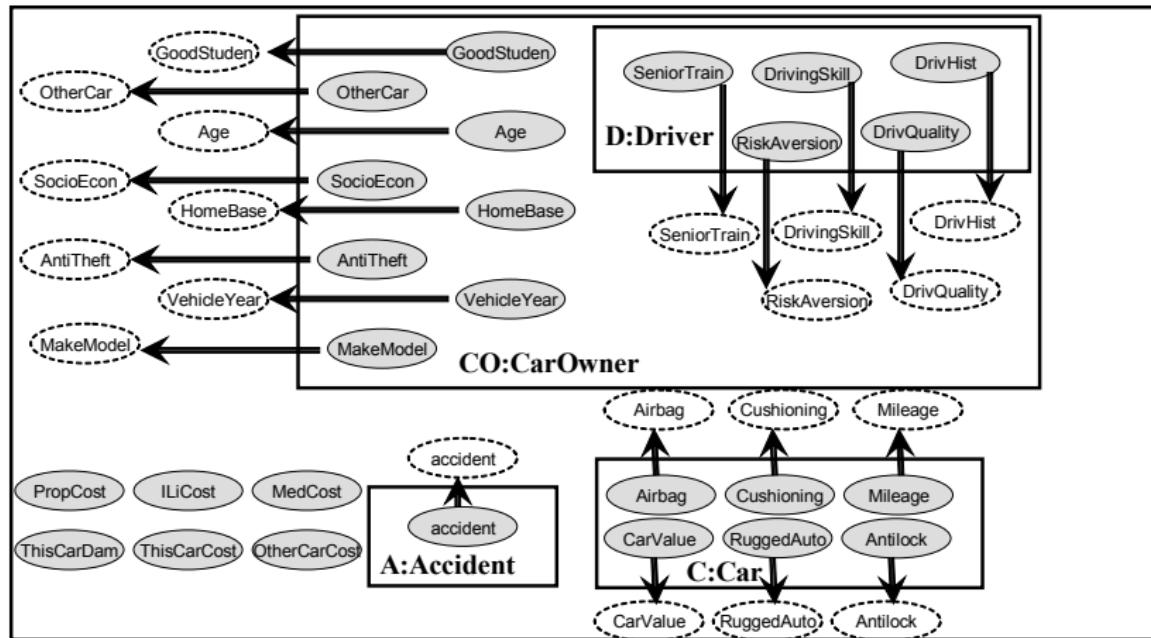


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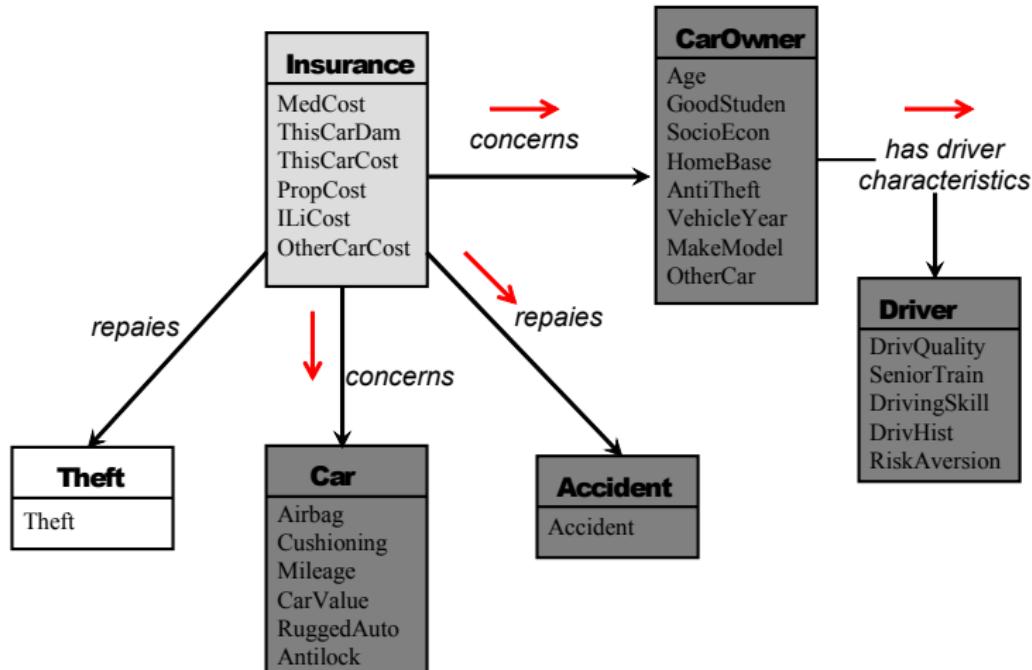


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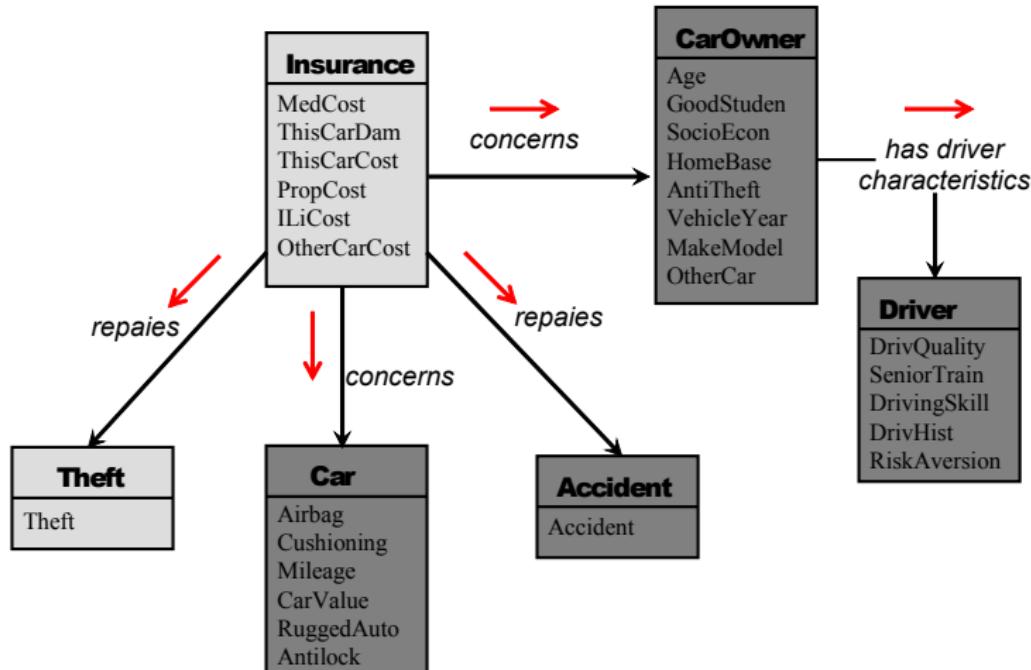
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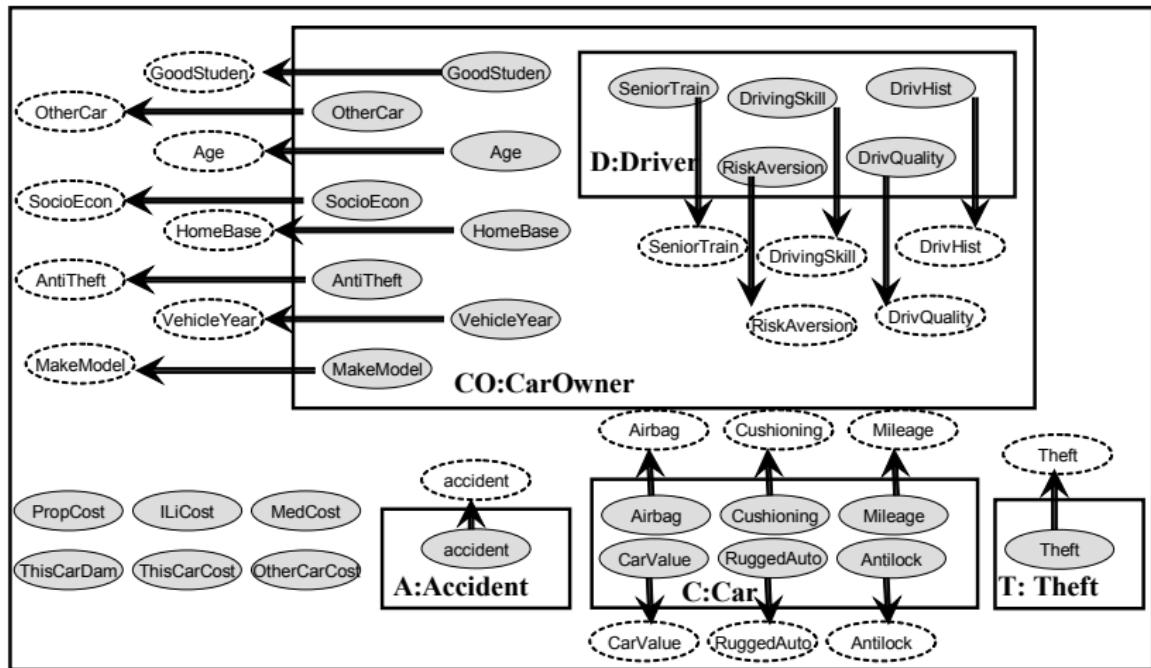


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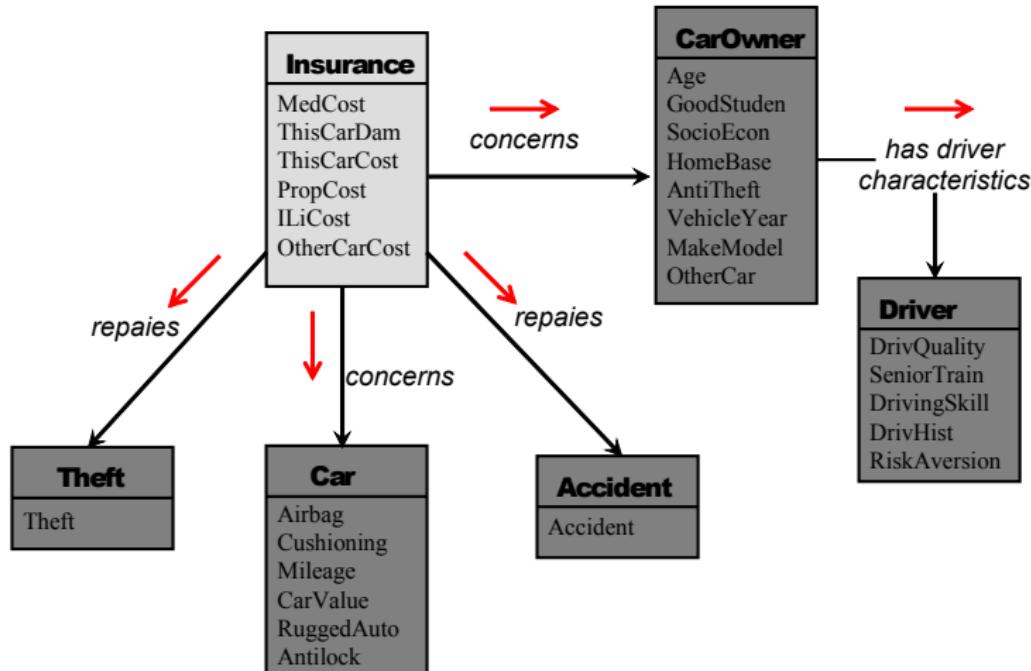


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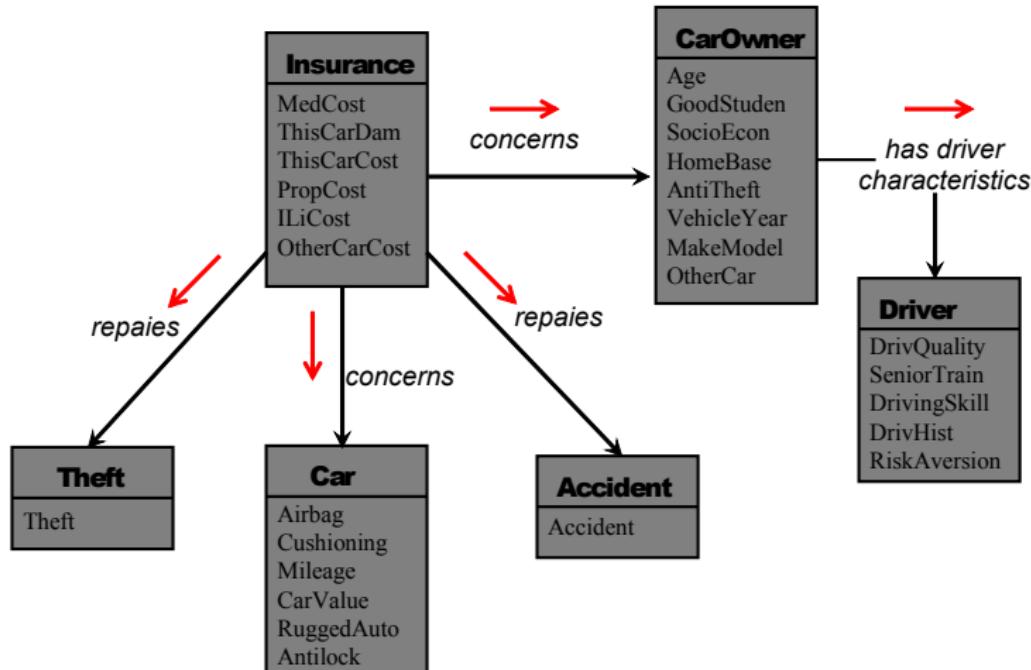
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