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## Knowledge Representation Language

# *Quixote*

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## A Knowledge Representation Language *Quixote*

What is *Quixote* ?

Core Language for knowledge information processing in FGCS & Follow-on Project

- Deductive Object-Oriented DB (DOOD)  
O-O feature, rule, deduction
- Constraint Logic Programming (CLP)  
subsumption, abductive reasoning
- big-*Quixote* & micro-*Quixote*

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## Key Features of *Quixote*

new features

- (1) Object Identity
- (2) Subsumption Constraint
- (3) Property Inheritance
- (4) Hierarchical Module
- (5) Query with Hypothesis & Answer with Assumption
- (6) Calling External Solver

$\in$  (element of)  
 $=/$  (disequation)

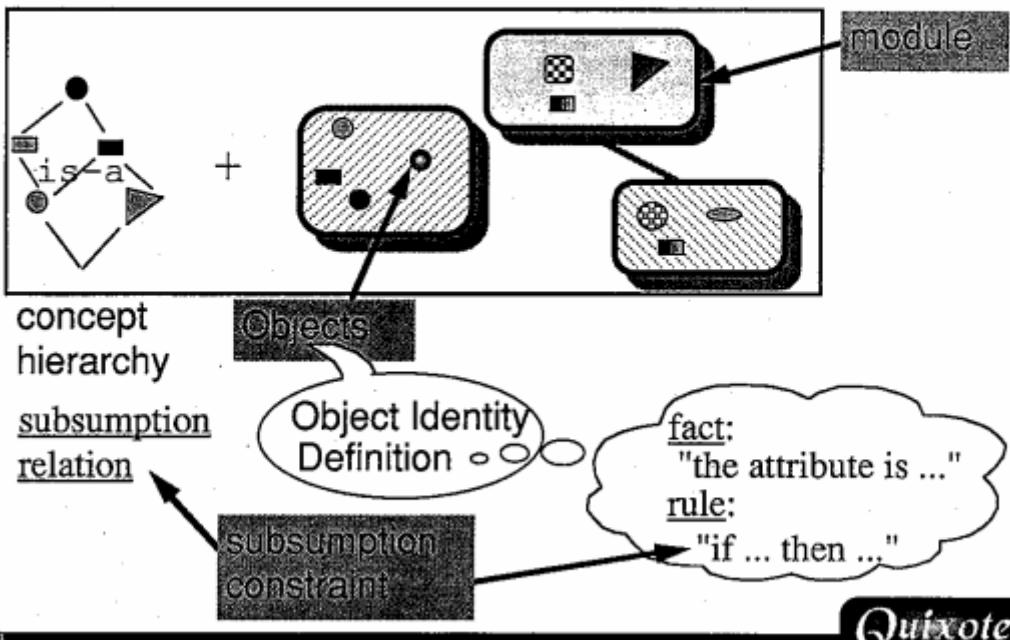
NAF  
(Negation as Failure)

math module

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## Overview of Quixote DB



## Example: Classical Music DB

### Object:

composer: Beethoven, Mozart, ...

music: op109, K467, ....

sounds (\*.au, \*.mid), picture (\*.gif)



### Relation:

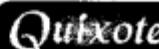
"Violin ISA stringed instrument."

### Rule:

"When you are gloomy, you had better listen to pieces in a major key. "

### Question & Answer

assumption, hypothesis



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## What is an object?

- simple concept → atom

mozart, violine, k227, .... : basic object term

- compound concept → combination of objects : complex object term

"opus 73 of Beethoven"

op73[conductor=beethoven]

≠ op73[conductor=strauss]

Object Identifier (OID)

object term

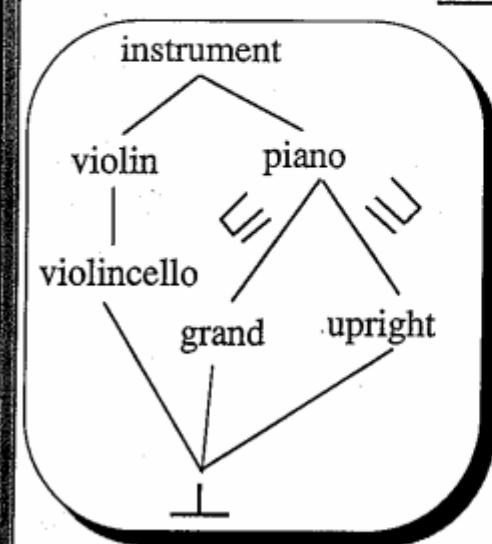
intrinsic attributes

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## Relation between Objects

Subsumption Relation among Object terms



IS-A  
A-Kind-Of (AKO)

grand[maker=steinway] ⊑ instrument

- lattice

- meet
- join

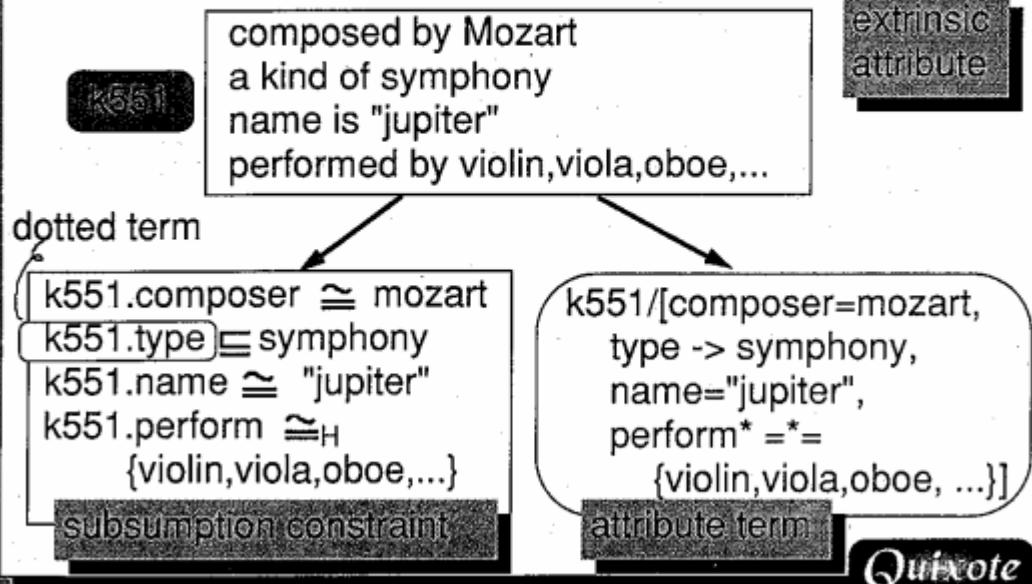
glb  
lub

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## Property as Constraints

Object can have various properties.

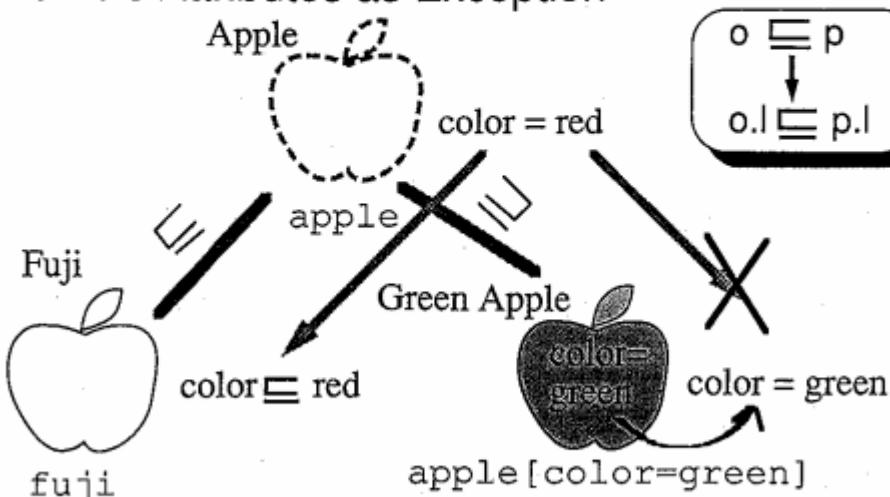


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## Property Inheritance

Property Inheritance by subsumption rel.  $\sqsubseteq$

Intrinsic Attributes as Exception



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## Rule -- intentional definition of object

head

body

 $m_0::a_0 \leq m_1:a_1, \dots, m_n:a_n \parallel C;;$  $m_i : \text{module}$  $m_0::o_0 | C_H \leq m_1:o_1, \dots, m_n:o_n \parallel C_v \cup C_d;;$ 

head constraint

body constraint

dotted-term constraint

If  $a_i$  is satisfied in  $m_1, \dots$  under constraint  $C$   
then  $a_0$  is satisfied in  $m_0$ .

assumption

music::k551/[type=symphony, name=jupiter];;

music::X/[instrument\* == {violin,piano}]

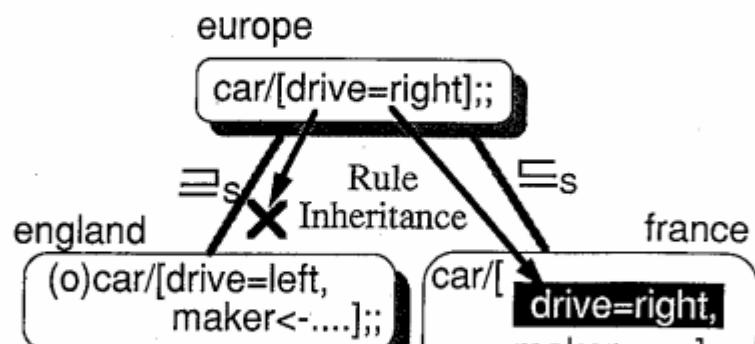
&lt;= X/[type=violin\_sonata];;

("Violin sonata is played by the violin and piano.")

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## Module and Rule Inheritance

"In Europe, cars usually drive on the right. But in England, cars drive on the left."

submodule relation (super  $\sqsubseteq_s$  sub)europe  $\sqsubseteq_s$  england;; europe  $\sqsubseteq_s$  france;;

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## *big-Quixote* vs. *micro-Quixote*

	<i>big-Quixote</i>	<i>micro-Quixote</i>
OS/machine	UNIX (klic)	UNIX,DOS,Mac
Language	KL1, C, Lisp	C
Code Size	6Mbyte	199Kbyte
subsumption inheritance module	○	○
assumptionQA	○	○
solution merge	○	✗
DB feature	○	✗
external solver call	math module	external call

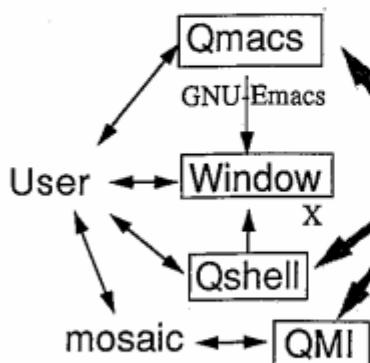
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## System Configuration of *big-Quixote*

### *big-Quixote*

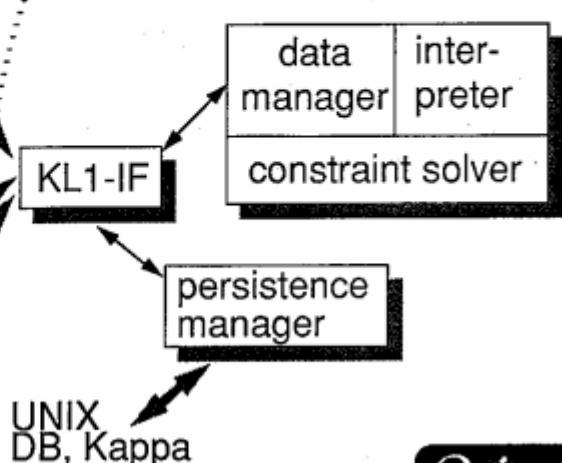
#### *Quixote Client*

UNIX, C



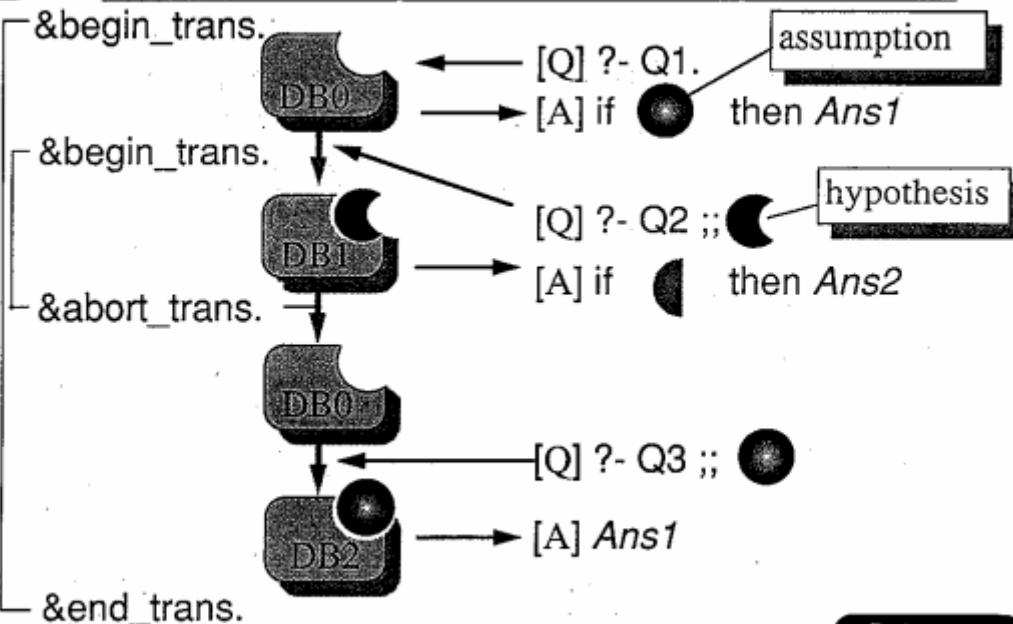
#### *Quixote Server*

KL1 / klic, pimos

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## Query with hypothesis & Answer with assumption



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## Answer with assumption

```
major ≡ c_major;;  
music::k551/[type=symphony, name=jupiter];;  
music::k467/[type=piano_con, key=c_major];;  
listening::prefer[mood=gloom, music=X] <=  
  music:X[key -> major];;  
  ("Major key pieces are preferable when gloomy.")
```

?- listening:prefer[mood=gloom, music=k467].

[Ans] yes.

?- listening:prefer[mood=gloom, music=k551].

[Ans] IF music:k551.key ≡ major THEN yes.

( "If k551 is a major key piece, then yes." )

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## Query with hypothesis

```
major ≡ d_major;;
listening::prefer[mood=gloom, music=X] <=
music:X/[key -> major];;
```

?- listening:prefer[mood=gloom, music=k385].

**Ans** no.

(There is no object "k385" in the "music" module.

Properties of only existing objects can be assumptions.)

?- listening:prefer[mood=gloom, music=k385] ;;

&program;; music::k385/[key=d\_major];; &end.

**Ans** yes.

hypothesis is added to DB

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## Question using new features

### Element\_of and disequation constraints

"What are pieces by Mozart or Beethoven except symphony?"

?-music:X/[type=T, composer=C] ||

{T !=/ symphony, C ∈ {mozart,beethoven} }.

### Math module

"What did Mozart conduct when he was 24?"

music::X/[age\_of\_composer=A] <=

X/[composer=C, year=Y], C/[born=B],

&math:subtract(Y, B, A).

?- music:X/[composer=mozart, age\_of\_composer=24].



external call (cf. Helios)

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## Contribution & Future Research

KRL based on subsumption constraints  
with logic and OO concepts.

Effective in the following applications:

