



# AGACY Monitoring: Hybrid model for activity recognition and uncertainty handling

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# Motivation

- **Clear interest is devoted to monitor the Daily Living Activities (DAL) of persons living alone:**
  - Several applications need to know the DAL of the users for different purposes (healthCare, security, ...)
- **The main aim of any application based on DAL recognition is to help the user or to improve his life**
  - Example: an application that sends alarm when detecting the user's fall





# Problematic

- **Raw sensor data are usually the input of a model for activity recognition**
- **Several problems can occur in real world deployment (hardware failure, energy depletion , ..)**
  - Sensor data become imprecise and uncertain
- **The problematic is:**
  - How to manage with these uncertainty values in a hybrid model?
  - How to exploit these values in the process of the activity recognition ?



# State of the art for activity recognition

- **Two main approaches for the activity recognition:**
  - Data driven based model:
    - Advantages: can be applied for a broad range of sensors
    - Drawbacks:
      - Need a large amount of training data to set up a model
      - Need a human effort to label the training data
  - Semantic based models:
    - Advantages: provide a powerful representation model
    - Drawbacks:
      - Their application is for a limited number of sensors
      - They are based on the specification of human experts

# State of the art for activity recognition

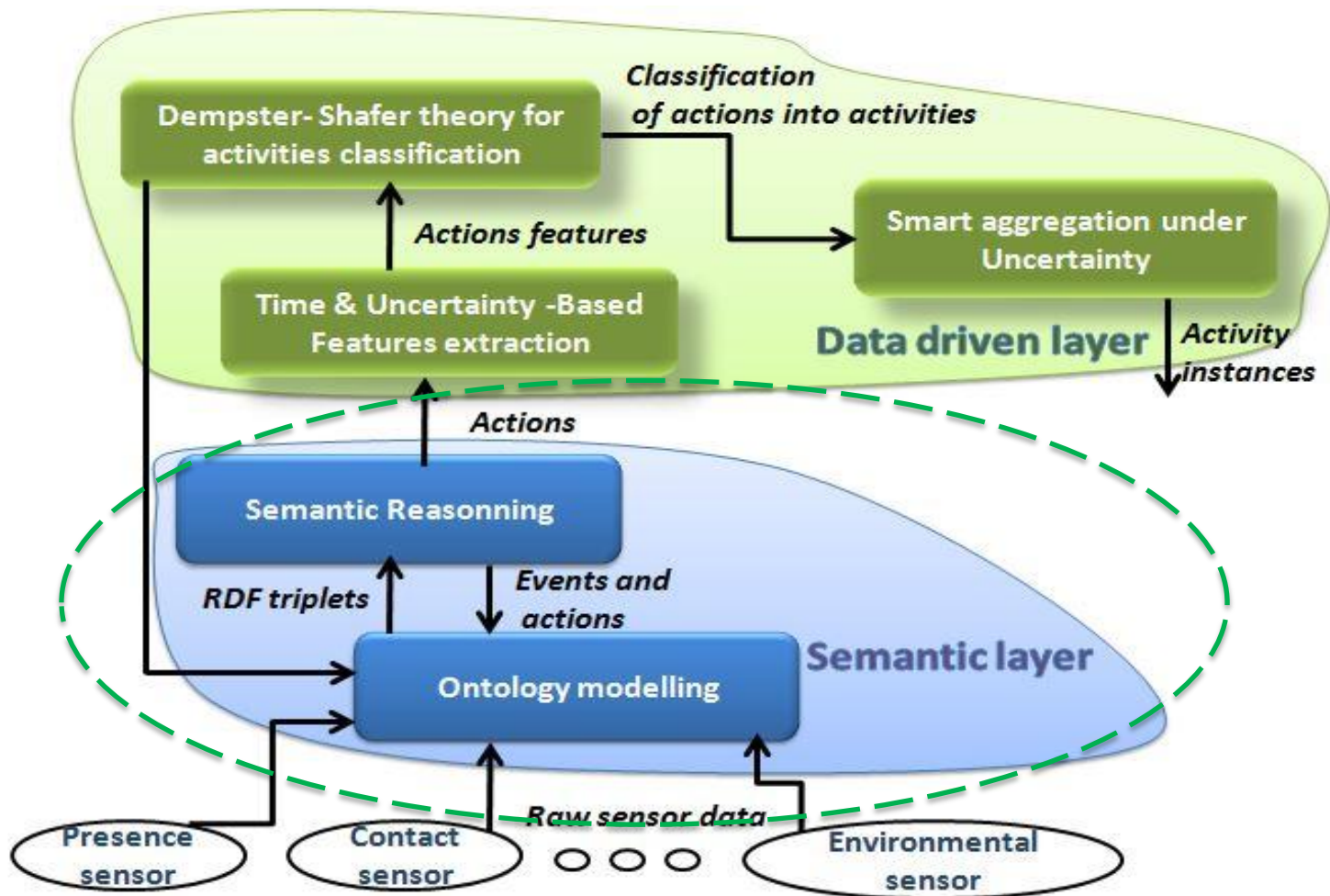


- Combining semantic and data driven approaches is a promising research direction according to two recent surveys [Ye and al. 2012][M. Ziaeeferd and al. 2015]

Model\ criteria	Semantic method	Data driven method	Handling uncertainty from sensors	Remark
SmartFABER[D. Riboni and al. 2016]	OWL2 ontology	Any Supervised technique	No	This is the first paper that proposes a new algorithm to detect activity instances based on hybrid model
FABER [D. Riboni and al. 2015]	Fisrt order logic	Markov Logic Networks (MLN)	No	----
FALLRisk [F. De Backere and al. 2015]	Ontology	Any machine learning method	No	This system aims specially to detect the fall of the user. It integrates several Fall detection systems and it filters their results
[R. Helaoui and al. 2013]	OWL2 ontology + logLinear + Description logic	Any machine learning method	No	This paper handles the uncertainty merely occurring in the semantic method
COSAR [D. Riboni and al. 2009]	Ontology	Any supervised technique	No	The combining between data driven and semantic methods serves to filter the result of the data driven method



# The proposed solution: The proposed model





# Semantic Layer: Semantic Reasoning

## 1. Inferring events

- An event instance is defined as follows:
  - $ev(ei, ti, ci) \rightarrow$  the event with label  $ei$  is happened in the timestamp  $ti$  with the certainty value  $ci$
- The events and their certainty values are deduced by applying possibility *logic*:
  - The premise is a set of sensors data combined with logic operators.
  - The conclusion is the event

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Example of rule for inferring the event instance `sitOnChair`

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∀ se1, se2 ∈ {Sensors} and t1, t2 ∈ {Time}, p ∈ {Person}
(p hasLocomotion [ a Uncertainty; uncertaintyLevel n1; relatedObject SitOn; relatedTime t1; accordingTo se1 ]
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(p hasObject [ a Uncertainty; uncertaintyLevel n2; relatedObject Chair; relatedTime t2; accordingTo se2])
→ ev(SitOnChair, t1, min(n1, n2))
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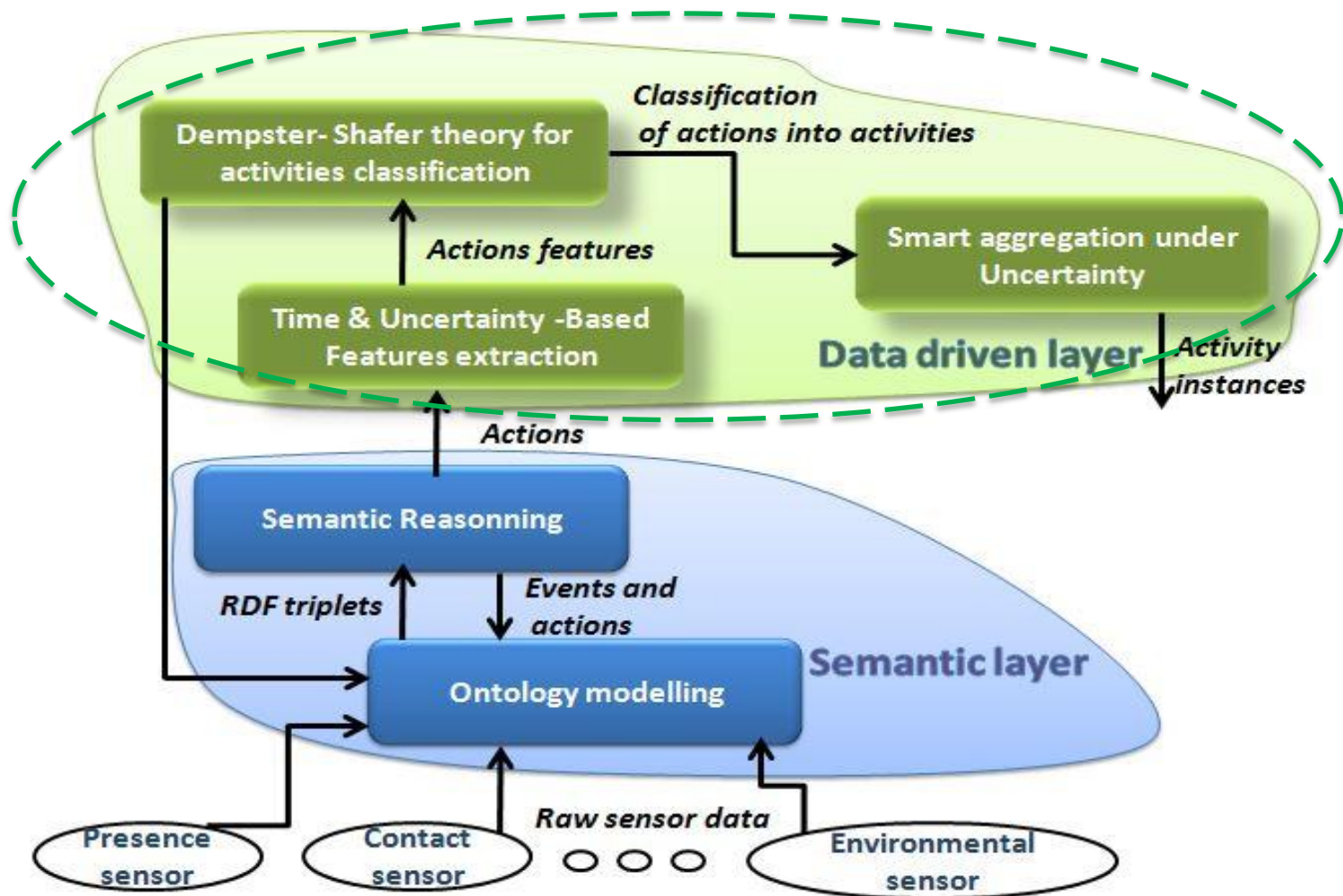
# Semantic Layer: Semantic Reasoning

## 2. Inferring actions

- An action instance is defined as follows:
  - $\text{act}(\text{aci}, \text{ti}, \text{ci}) \rightarrow$  the action with label  $\text{aci}$  is happened in the timestamp  $\text{ti}$  with the certainty value  $\text{ci}$
- The actions and their certainty values are deduced by applying the *possibility logic* :
  - The premise is a set of events combined with logic operators:
  - The conclusion is the action



# The proposed solution: The model



# Data driven Layer: Time and Uncertainty based features extraction



- An action  $a_{ci}$  is represented by a time window  $S_i$  where:
  - $D_s$ : the duration of  $S_i$
  - $S_i$  contains a sequence of actions produced before  $a_{ci}$  during  $D_s$  and  $a_{ci}$  itself
  - This time window is converted to a feature vector of  $a_{ci}$  that contains essentially:
    - The label of the represented feature  $K_i$
    - The sequence of the actions in  $S_i$
    - A proposed weight value that represents the offset effect of time and uncertainty of the actions in  $S_i$  to  $a_{ci}$ :



# Data driven Layer: Dempster-Shafer for activity classification

- Recently a great interest has been paid to apply Dempster-Shafer (DS) as a machine learning technique for activity classification:
  - It has proved better result than Naïve Bayes and J48 Tree [S. McKeever and al. 2011, F. Sebbak and al. 2014, Q. Chen and al. 2014]
- The model is used through a directed acyclic graph, where:
  - The named evidences in DS are actions in AGACY monitoring
  - The called the hypothesis in DS are features in AGACY monitoring
  - The activities are the output with their uncertainty values
- The uncertainty values of activities are computed based on the uncertainty values of the features and the mass function defined in DS



# Evaluation

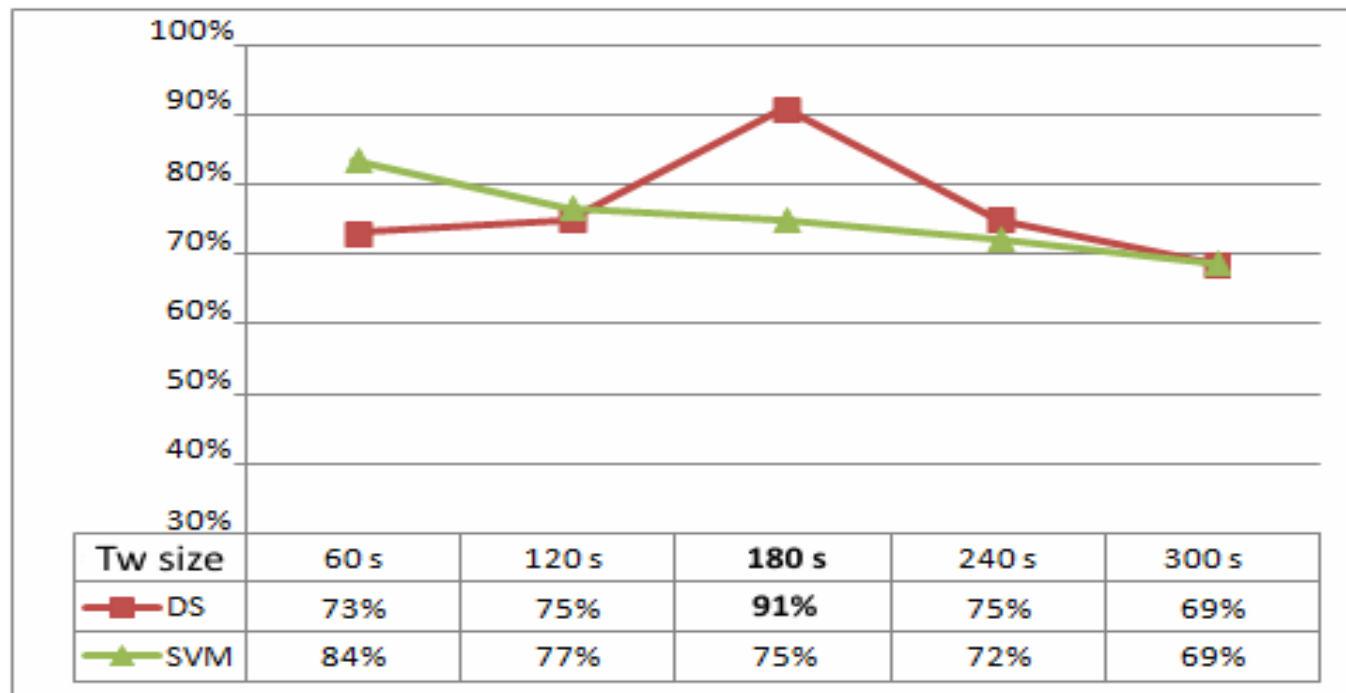


# AGACY monitoring: Dataset

- A prototype system of AGACY-Monitoring has been implemented using JAVA
- The system was tested with the Opportunity dataset<sup>1</sup>. The dataset contains from AGACY-Monitoring perspective:
  - Homogeneous sensor data (level 4)
  - Events (level 3)
  - Actions (level 2)
  - Activities (level 1): Relaxing, CoffeeTime, SandwichTime, and CleanUp. They have been done by three persons S10, S11, and S12 with three different routines each (ADL1-3)
- The dataset does not contain uncertainty values about sensor data (level 4)
  - Erroneous sensor data was injected in the dataset annotated with low uncertainty values [0...0,4]



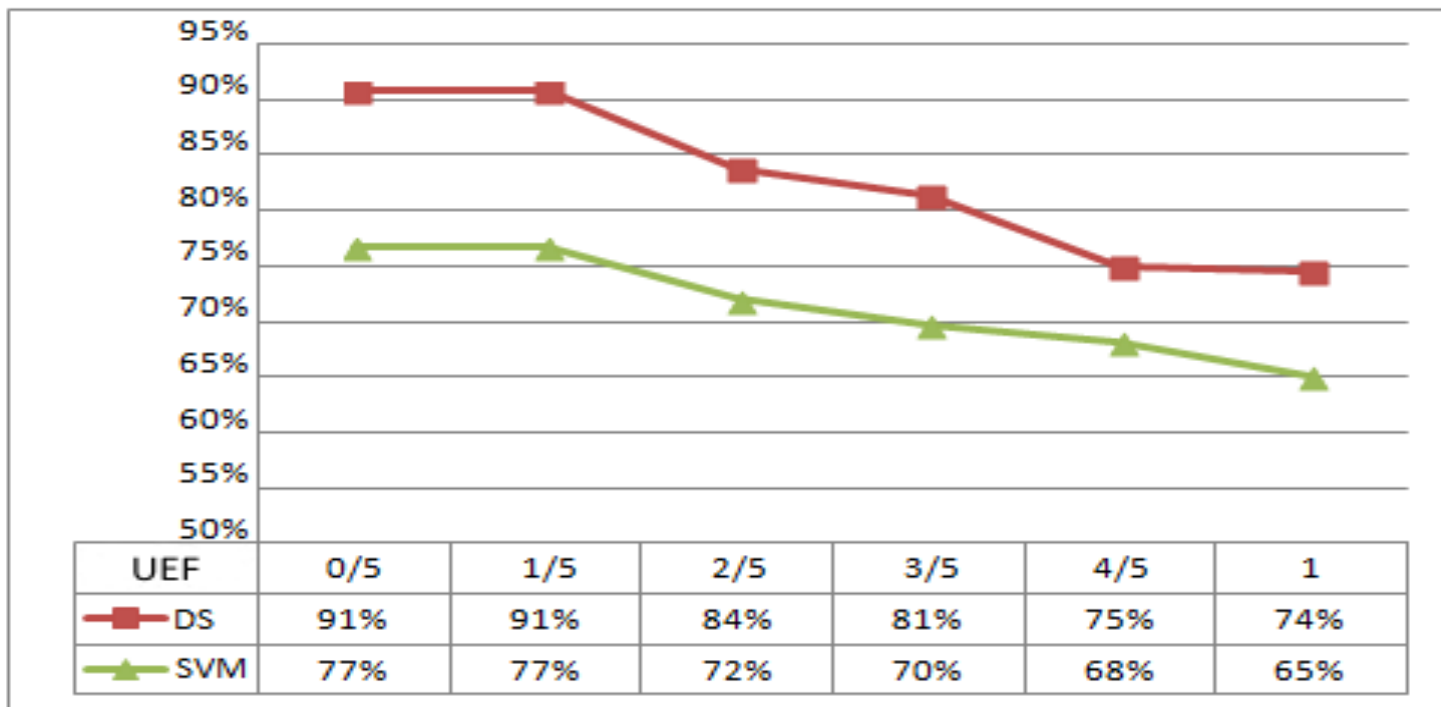
# AGACY-Monitoring: Experiments



Average recognition precision for all subject over the three routines with different values of the size  $n$  of the time window ( $T_w$ )



# AGACY-Monitoring: Experiments



Average recognition precision for all subject over the three routines for varying frequency of uncertain event (UEF). The value 1/5 means there is one uncertain sensor data for five correct ones. 1 means there is one uncertain sensor data for one correct





# AGACY-Monitoring: Experiments

- We compared the performance of AGACY monitoring regarding that of the hybrid model in [Helaoui, R., and al. 2013]
- The system has been applied with the same dataset (without erroneous sensor data and uncertainty values)

All users	AGACY Monitoring	[14]
Precision	0,91	0,91
recall	1	0,65

- the two systems have the same average precision recognition
- AGACY Monitoring outperforms the second system within recall value



# AGACY-Monitoring: Experiments

## ■ Result resume :

- AGACY-Monitoring with a suitable time window is very performing (Precision = 0,91 with  $n= 180s$ )
- Generally DS is more efficient than SVM:
  - For time windows shorter or longer than 180s, DS tends to become less efficient: DS is efficient where time window are properly proportioned to the activities
  - SVM gives better results for short time window ( $n \leq 120s$ ), but with the increase of  $n$  value, the accuracy of classification gets worse
- The system is able to efficiently handle sensor data uncertainty:
  - Despite the dataset half contains uncertain sensor data, the system is able to predict the activity with a good precision level (74%)



## Conclusion and Future work

- Proposition of AGACY Monitoring as a hybrid model for activity recognition
- AGACY Monitoring handles uncertainty of sensor data
- The proposal shows promising results
- Dynamic window size ?
- Multi users activities recognition ?

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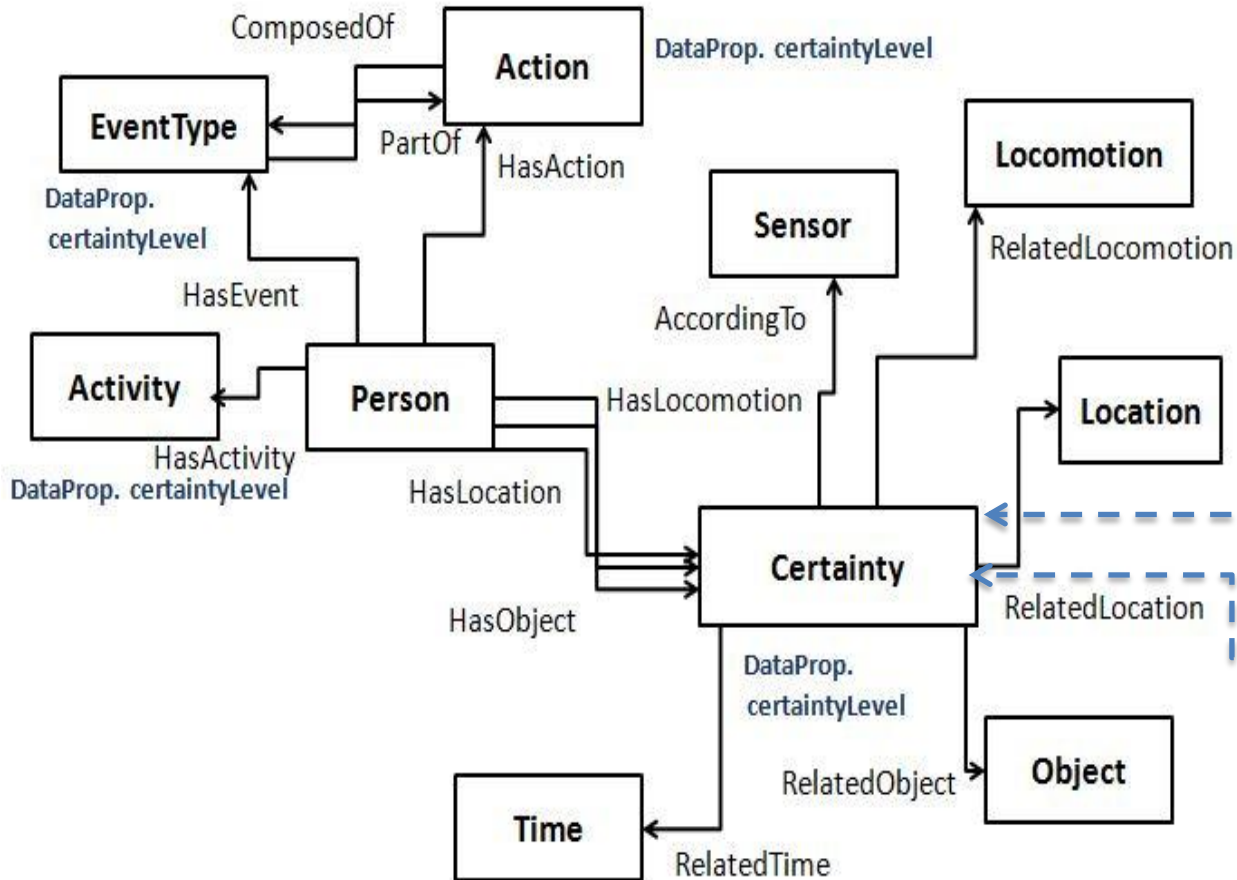
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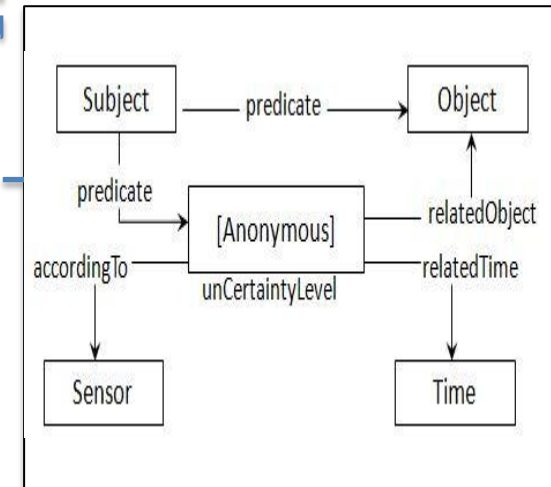


# Semantic Layer: Ontology modelling



•To model the uncertainty we have applied the proposed modelization in [H. aloulou and al. 2015] where the uncertainty is attached to the predicate

•The only difference is that we have attached the time besides than the sensor, the object, and the subject



Exerpt of the ontology model with certainty

# Data driven Layer: Time and Uncertainty based features extraction

## ■ The proposed weight of the feature vector

$$F_{k_i}(S_i) = \sum_{act_j(Ac_j, t_j, c_j) \in S_i} c_j \times Fact_{x, t_i - t_j} \times f_{k_i}(act_j(Ac_j, t_j, c_j))$$

• A factor of time distance between actions.  $c_j \times Fact$  must be always  $\leq c_j$

• =1 if  $act_j$  is a part of the execution of the feature  $k_i$   
• =0 else

• 1<sup>st</sup> case: the estimated duration of the activity is in terms of minutes or hours so :

$$Fact_{x, t_i - t_j} = \exp(-\chi(t_i - t_j))$$

•  $t_i - t_j$  is expressed in hours

• 2<sup>nd</sup> case: the estimated duration of the activity is in terms of seconds:

$$Fact_{x, t_i - t_j} = \frac{1}{\chi(t_i - t_j)}$$

• If  $(x \times (t_i - t_j)) > 1$  where  $t_i - t_j$  is expressed in seconds)  
• Else  $Fact = 1$