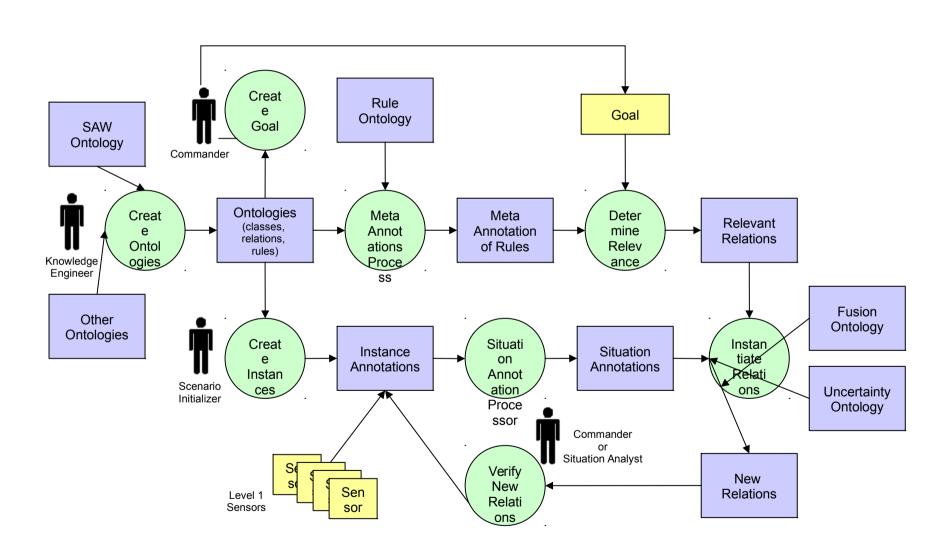
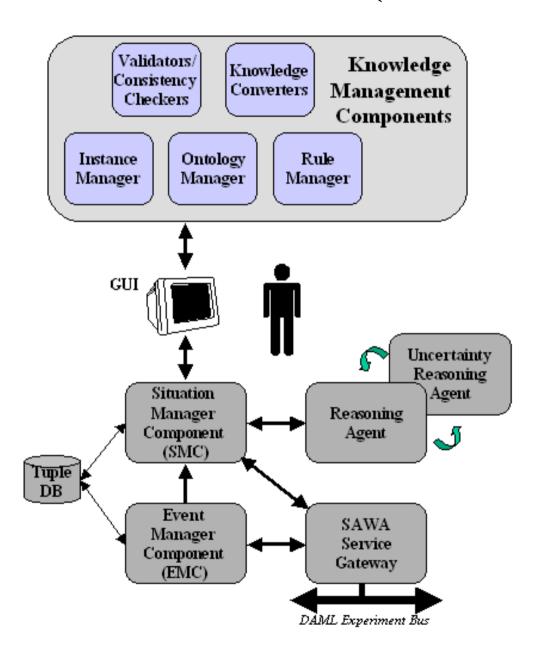
SAWA: An Assistant for Higher-Level Fusion and Situation Awareness

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SAW Process



SAW Assistant (SAWA)



Supply Logistics Scenario

- Scenario for supplying units using ground transports via roads that may not be under friendly control
- Configuration files control types and quantities of resources, transports, suppliers and consumers
- Generates events based on our SAW Core, Supply Logistics and Event Ontologies

OWL: Web Ontology Language

- W3C's ontology language for the Semantic Web
- Mainly intended to provide means for describing web content in a form amiable to automated reasoning
- Used to construct OWL ontologies that define domain specific classes and properties along with the inherent constraints among them
- OWL ontologies are then used to describe specific instances or situations in the given domain
- Built on top of RDF and XML
- Three flavors: Full, DL and Lite

SWRL

- W3C's Semantic Web Rule Language
- Extends representational power of OWL by adding implication in the form of Horn Clauses (i.e., a form of if-then rules)
- Leverages the descriptive capabilities of OWL DL
- Leverages the rule and variable syntax of RuleML

SWRL Pros and Cons

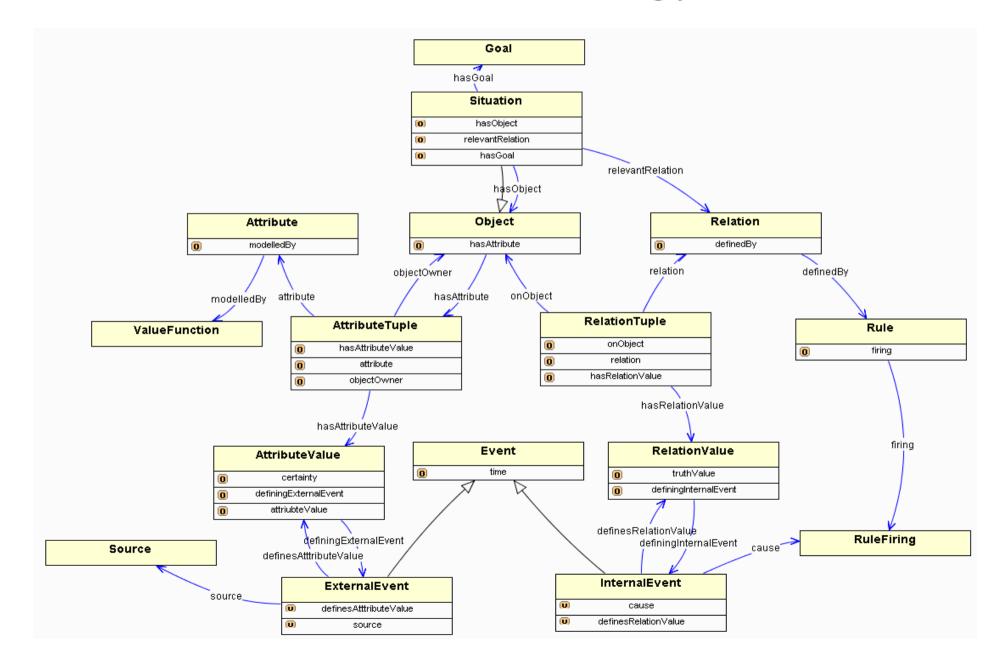
• Pros:

- Formal Foundation
- W3C Effort
- Based on RuleML
- Can connect to OWL Ontologies

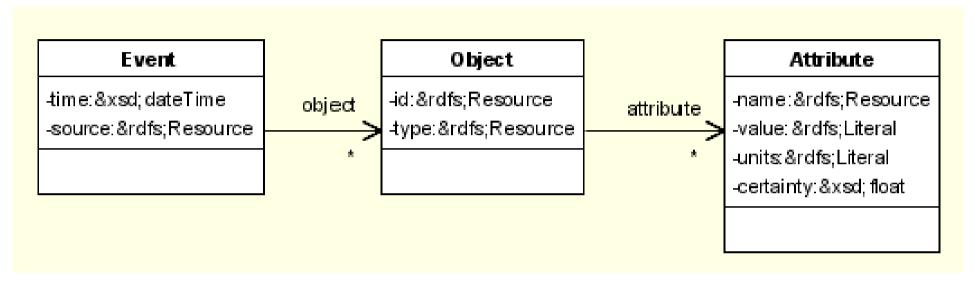
• Cons:

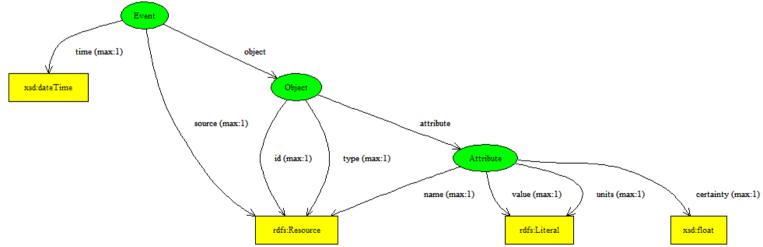
- Limited to Binary Relations (makes higher-order relations difficult to represent)
- Verbose/complex syntax
- No Existential Quantification in rule heads (makes higher-order relations impossible to infer – we thus are ignoring this constraint with the expectation it will be removed)
- Still evolving

SAW Core Ontology

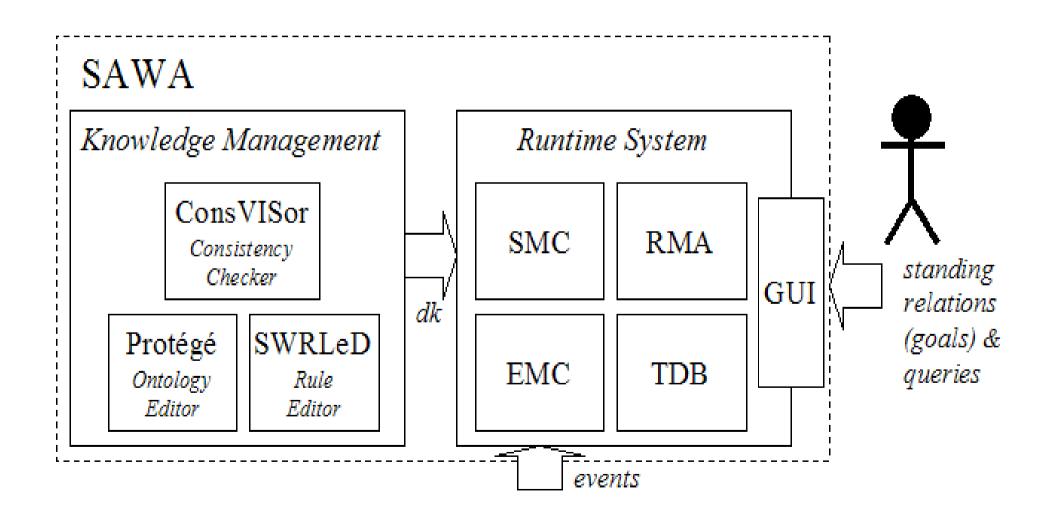


Event Ontology

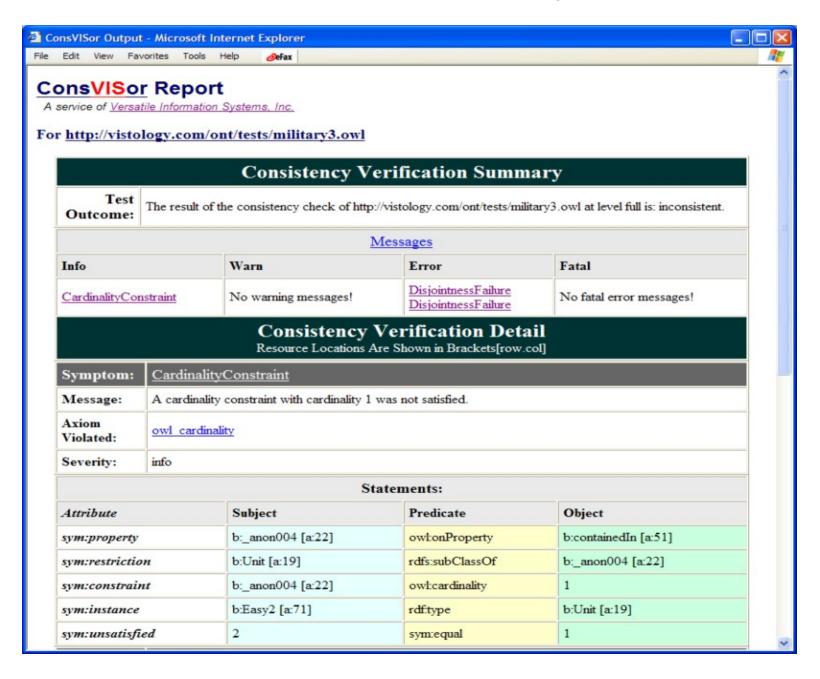




SAWA Architecture



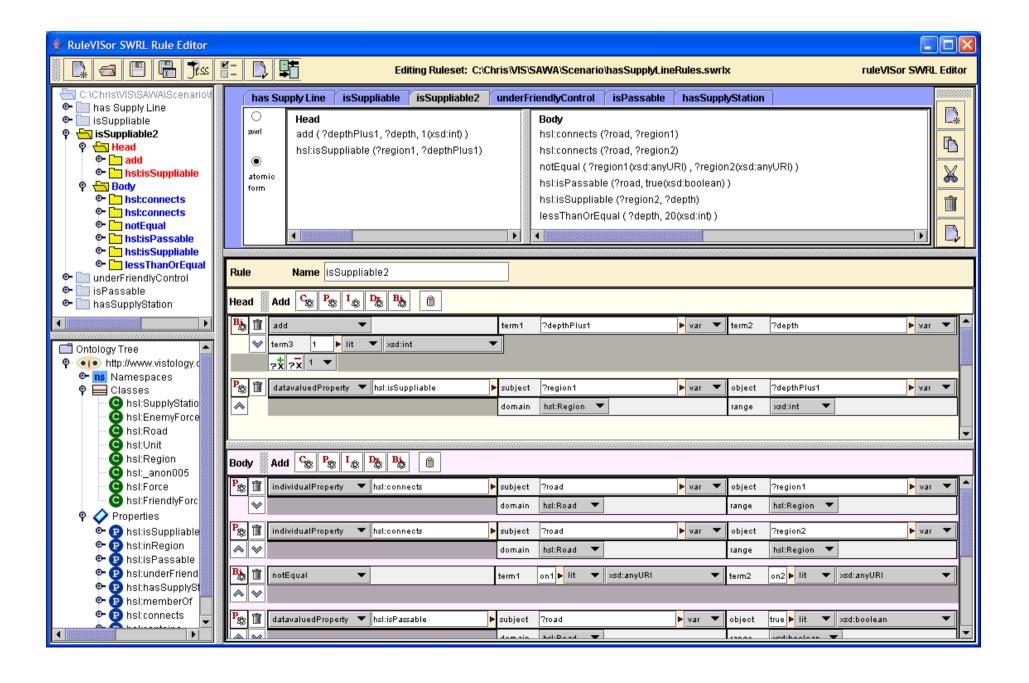
ConsVISor Consistency Checker



RuleVISor Rule Editor

- Graphical SWRL Editor
- Support for
 - all RuleML capabilities (everything in SWRL from ruleml: namespace)
 - all new SWRL elements (from swrlx: namespace, e.g., swrlx:builtin)
- Does not support arbitrary embedded OWL constructs
 - OWL Ontologies are required to be external
- Ontologies used as basis for rule building blocks

RuleVISor GUI



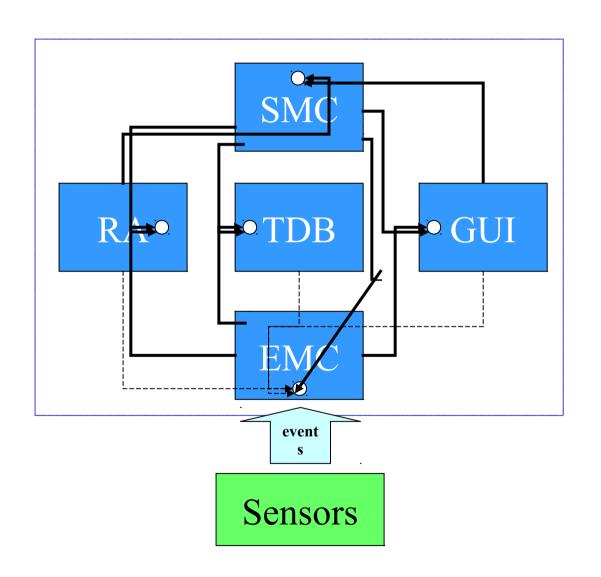
Supply Logistics Rule Set

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                        sub="?unit"
                                         data="?region"/>
     <hsl:inRegion
     <hsl:isSuppliable sub="?region"</pre>
                                         data="true"/>
   </body>
   <head>
     <hsl:hasSupplyLine
                                 sub="?unit"
                                                  data="true"/>
   </head>
 </ri>
 <rule rlab="isSuppliable">
     <hsl:hasSupplyStation
                                sub="?region"
                                                  data="true"/>
     <hsl:underFriendlyControl sub="?region"</pre>
                                                  data="true"/>
   </body>
   <head>
     <hsl:isSuppliable sub="?region"</pre>
                                         data="true"/>
   </head>
 </ri>
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   <body>
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                        sub="?road"
                                         data="?region1"/>
     <hsl:connects</pre>
                        sub="?road"
                                         data="?region2"/>
     <swrlb:notEqual</pre>
       arg1="?region1"
       arg2="?region2"/>
     <hsl:isPassable
                       sub="?road"
                                         data="true"/>
     <hsl:isSuppliable sub="?region2"</pre>
                                         data="true"/>
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   <head>
     <hsl:isSuppliable sub="?region1" data="true"/>
   </head>
 </ri>
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<rule rlab="underFriendlyControl">
  <body>
                       sub="?unit"
                                        data="?region"/>
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    <hsl:memberOf
                       sub="?unit"
                                       data="?force"/>
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  </body>
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    <hsl:connects</pre>
                       sub="?road"
                                        data="?regionB"/>
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                                       data="true"/>
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                       sub="?X"
                                       data="?region"/>
    <hsl:SupplyStation ind="?X"/>
  </body>
  <head>
    <hsl:hasSupplyStation
                               sub="?region"
                                                data="true"/>
  </head>
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</rule>

SAWA Runtime



Triple Data Base

- Stores RDF/OWL triples
 - E.g., (predicate subject object)
- Built on Jess (Java Expert System Shell based on CLIPS)
- Infers implicit triples from events and OWL axioms
- Detects inconsistencies
- Tracks performance metrics of inference engine
- Supports OWL-QL (OWL Query Language) formerly known as DQL

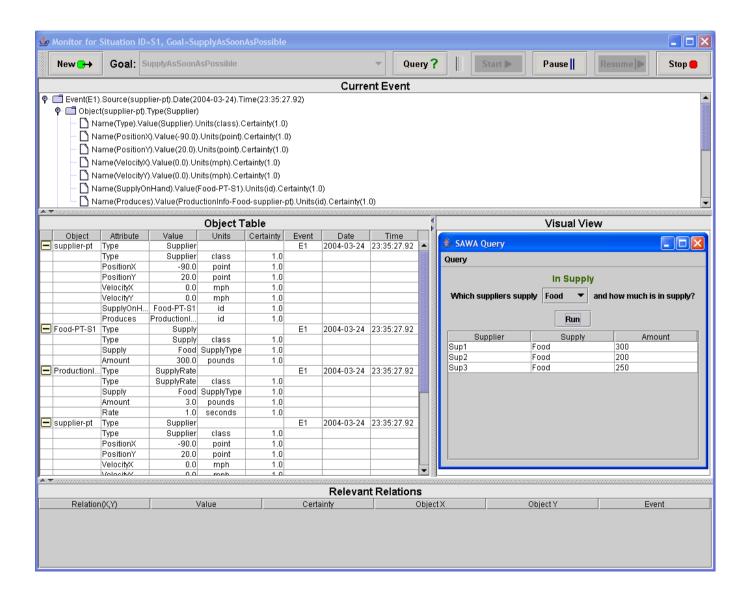
Query Capabilities

- Full support of OWL Query Language DARPA sponsored effort
- Permits Queries over patterns in triples
 - e.g., (consumes ?user "food") (type ?user "company")
 - Results returned as variable bindings
- "What If" Query capability
 - assumptions posited and then retracted after query returns
- Writing queries and interpreting results can be challenging
- Prompted move to implement simple GUI

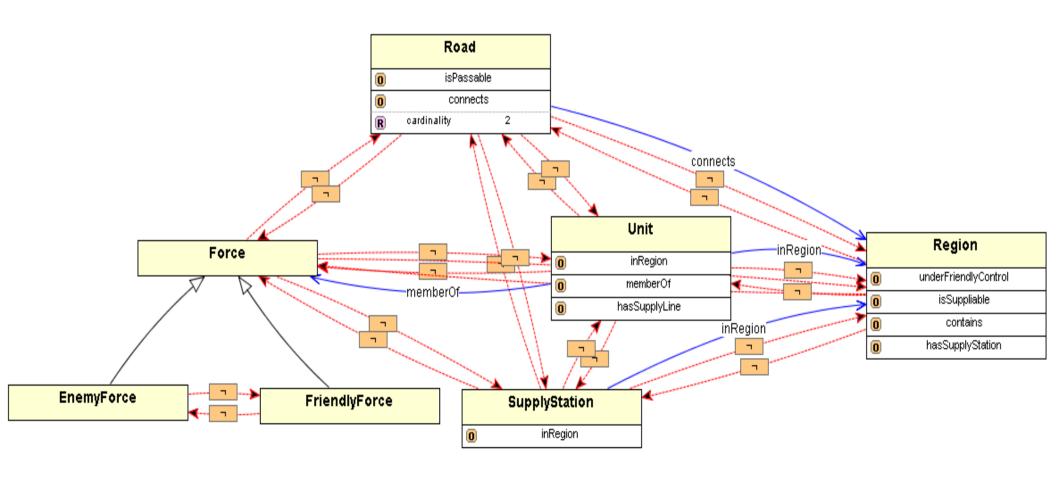
Query Interface

- Simplifies query construction
- Initial version based on static templates with fill-in slots
- Demo
- Extensions:
 - constraints between slot values enforced by GUI
 - automatic generation of candidate templates
 - free-form query wizard

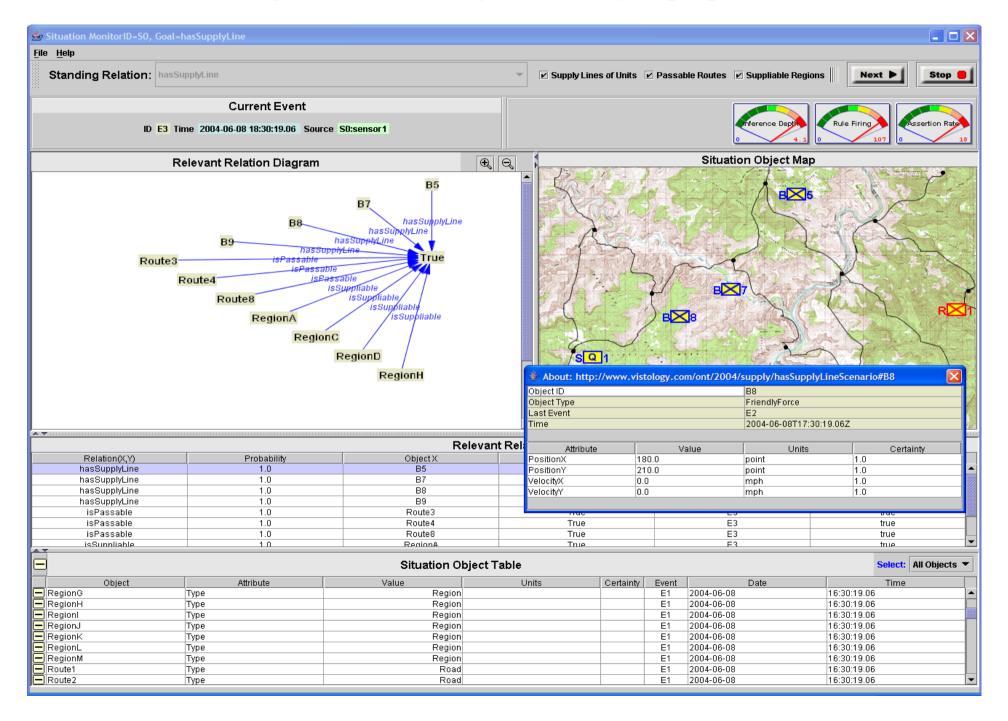
Query GUI Screenshot



Supply Logistics Ontology



SAWA Runtime GUI



Conclusion

- SAWA is a general purpose assistant for situation awareness:
 - monitors the evolution of relevant higher-order relations within a situation.
 - supports formal reasoning techniques for level-2 fusion.
 - based on the Semantic Web languages OWL and SWRL.
 - performs relevance reasoning.
- The domain ontology and rules are constructed and checked using an ontology editor, rule editor and consistency checker.
- At runtime events are processed to determine relevance and to infer higherorder relations.
- As higher-order relations are detected they are passed to the GUI, which displays them in both tabular and graphical forms.
- The query capability allows for both ordinary and "what if" queries.