

Type Annotation for Adaptive Systems

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A view on type information

- Types constrain structure and behaviour of instances
- Inflexible when context changes
 - I have a book but I need a hammer
 - How do I derive that the book I have is “hammerisable”?
- Typical solutions
 - Merging information on domains
 - Creating bridges
- Rigidity connected with the notion of typing morphism

Types as annotations

- Annotations give information about properties
- Type morphisms substituted by annotation patterns
- Constraints associated with types
- Not instances of types but elements of a domain
 - Elements annotated with some type must conform to some pattern
 - Elements conforming to some pattern must be annotated with some type

Graphs with boxes (B-graphs)

$$G = (V, E, B, s, t, cnt)$$

- V, E as in usual graphs
- $s, t : E \rightarrow V \cup B$ source and target functions
- $cnt : B \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(V \cup B)$

Transitive containment, anti-symmetry not required, antireflexive

- $x \in cnt(b_1) \wedge b_1 \in cnt(b_2) \Rightarrow x \in cnt(b_2)$
- $b \notin cnt(b)$

Morphisms

A $(B-)$ morphism $f: G_1 \rightarrow G_2$ between B -graphs

$G_i = (V_i, E_i, B_i, s_i, t_i, cnt_i)$ is a triple

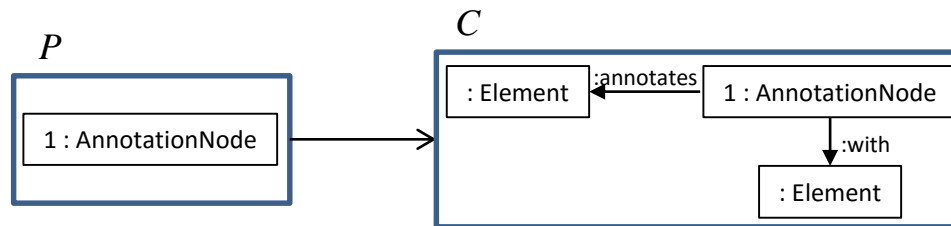
$(f_V: V_1 \rightarrow V_2, f_E: E_1 \rightarrow E_2, f_B: B_1 \rightarrow B_2)$ that

- preserves s_i and t_i , and
- if $x \in cnt(b_1)$ then $f_{V \cup B}(x) \in cnt(f_B(b_1))$

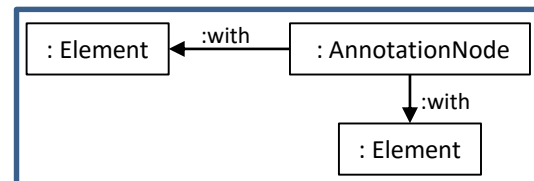
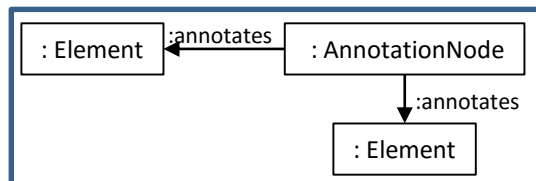
(composition of morphisms is constructed componentwise)

Annotations on graphs

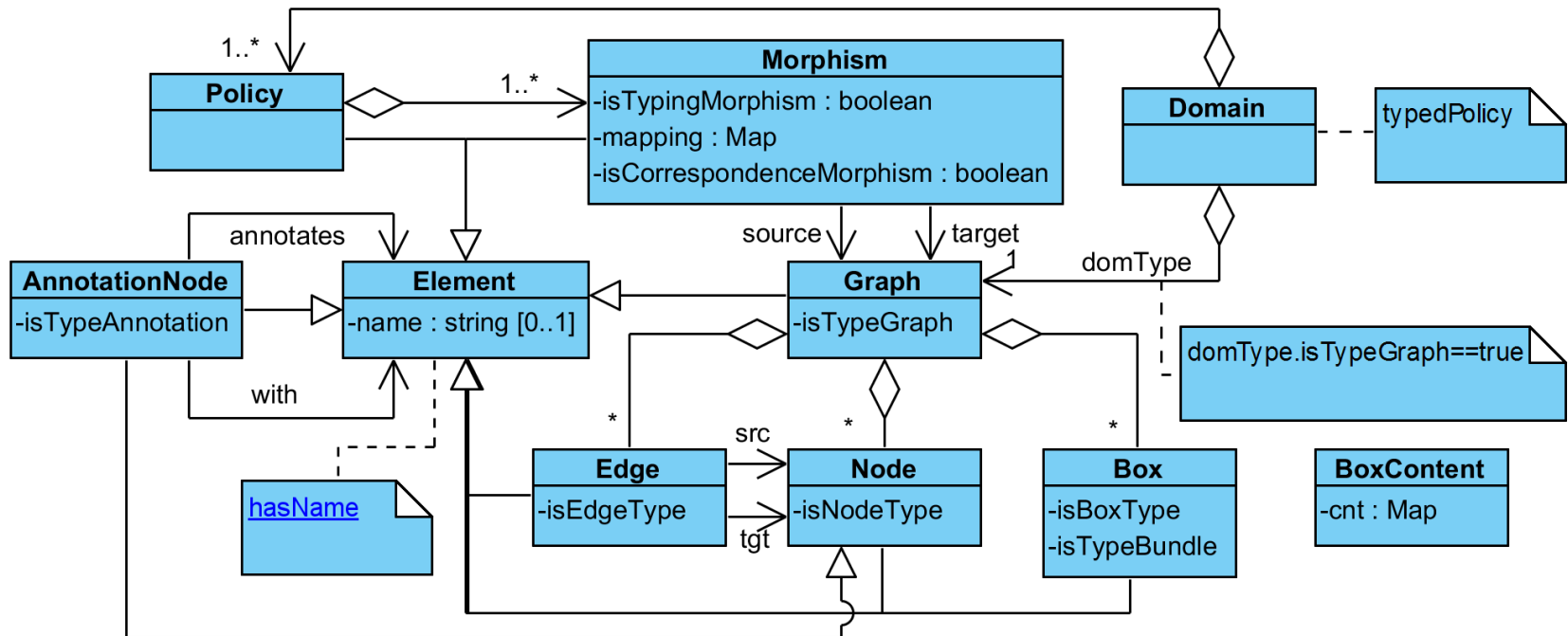
- Annotations relate elements of two different domains via an annotation node.
- Constraints for well-formedness



Forbidden graphs



The metamodel M for type annotation



OCL constraints on M

context Domain **inv**

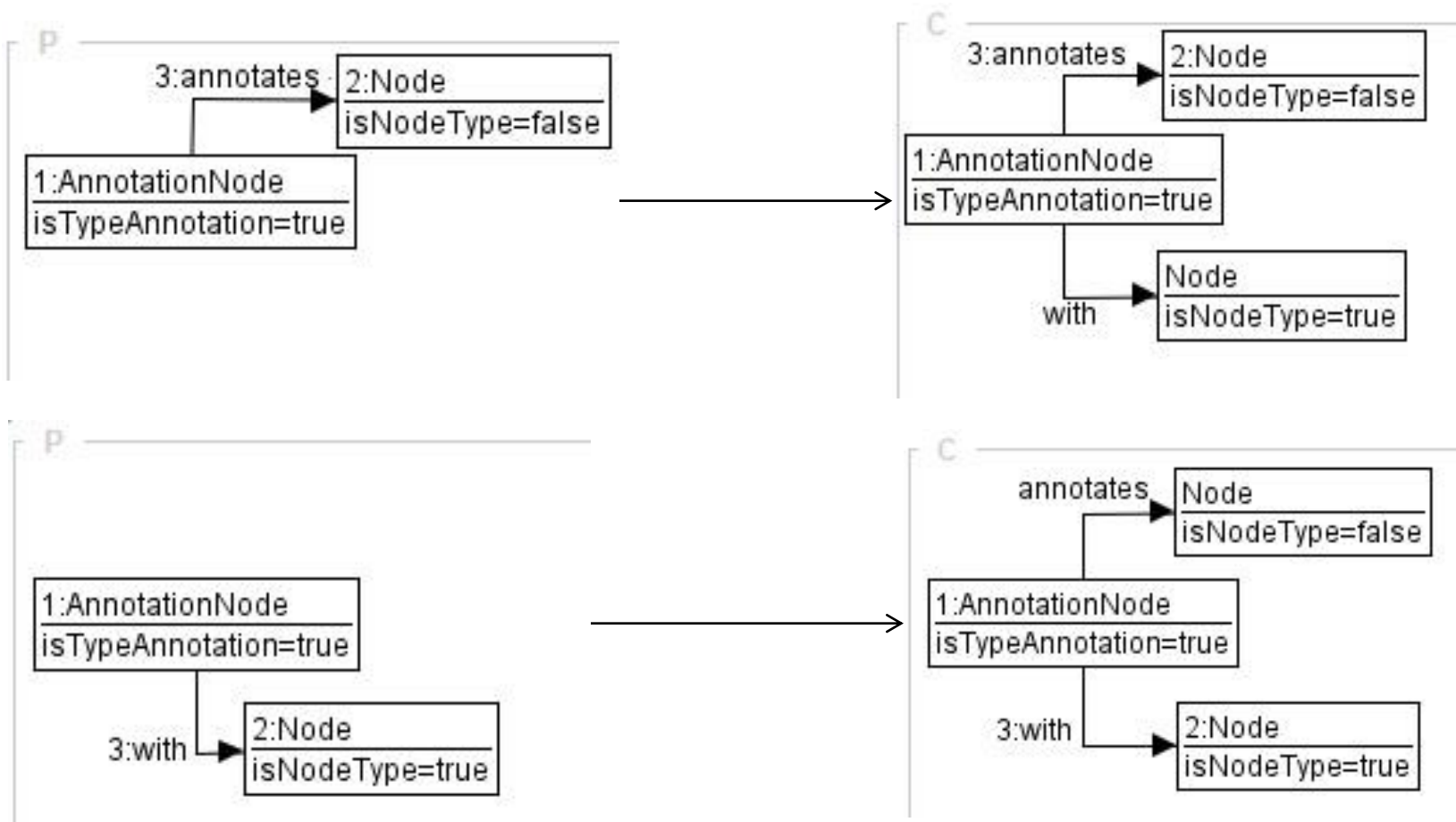
let

allMor : Set = Morphism.allInstances(),
type : Graph = self.graph

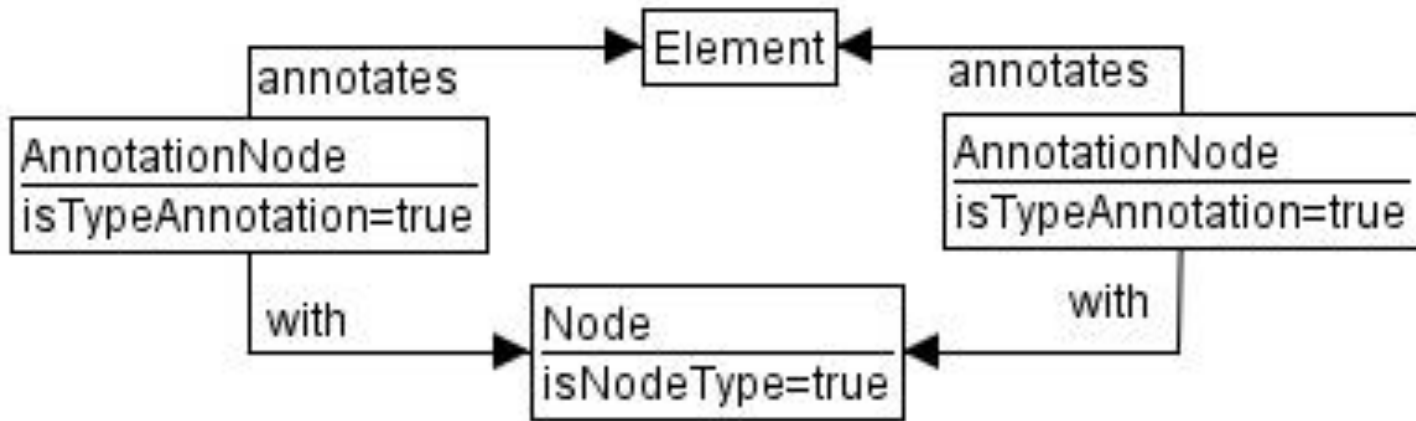
in

self.policy.morphism -> **forall** (m| allMor -> exists(m2,m3 |
m2.isTypingMorphism = true **and** m2.source = m.source **and** m2.target =
self.domType **and**
m3.isTypingMorphism = true **and** m3.source = m.target **and** m3.target =
self.domType
))

Graph constraints for type annotation

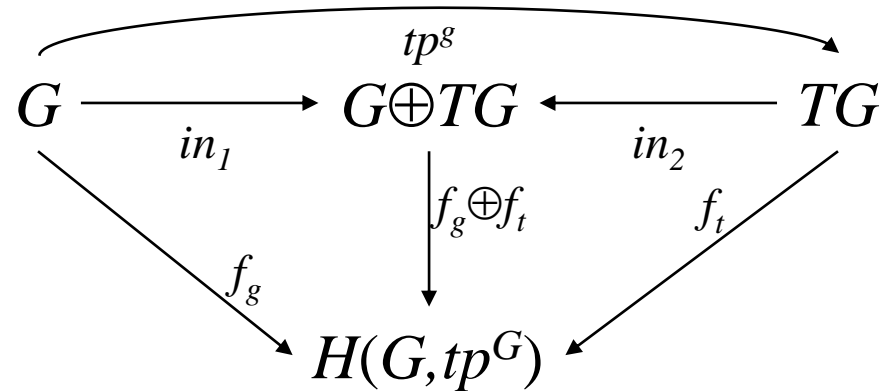


Forbidden graph



For an element e ,
 $annType(e)$ is the set of types with which it is annotated

From typing to type annotations



$H(G, tp^G)$, is the minimal graph with type annotation s.t.:

- both G and TG have isomorphic (disjoint) immersions in G' and TG' , defined by morphisms f_g and f_t
- each element in G' is annotated with exactly one type element in TG' ;
- for each element x in G $annType(f_g(x)) = f_t(tp^G(x))$

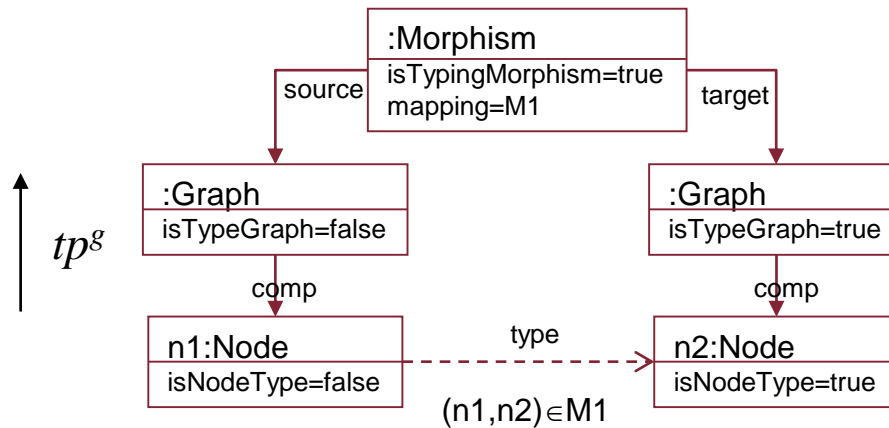
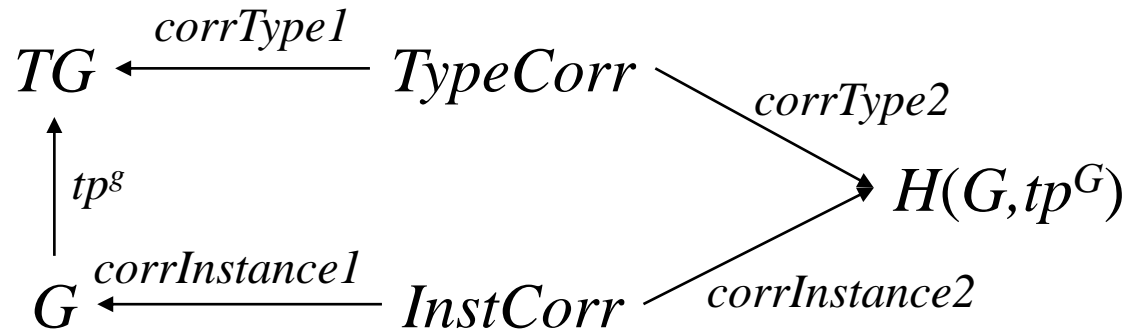
The induced functor $\text{typeAnn}: \mathbf{TG} \rightarrow \mathbf{AT1}$

- $\text{typeAnn}_{\text{Ob}}$ maps each object G of \mathbf{TG} into the object $H(G, tp^G)$ of $\mathbf{AT1}$
- $\text{typeAnn}_{\text{Hom}}$ maps each morphism $m: G \rightarrow G'$ of \mathbf{TG} into a morphism $m': H(G, tp^G) \rightarrow H(G', tp^{G'})$ such that for each element x of G $f_{g'}(m(x)) = m'(f_g(x))$

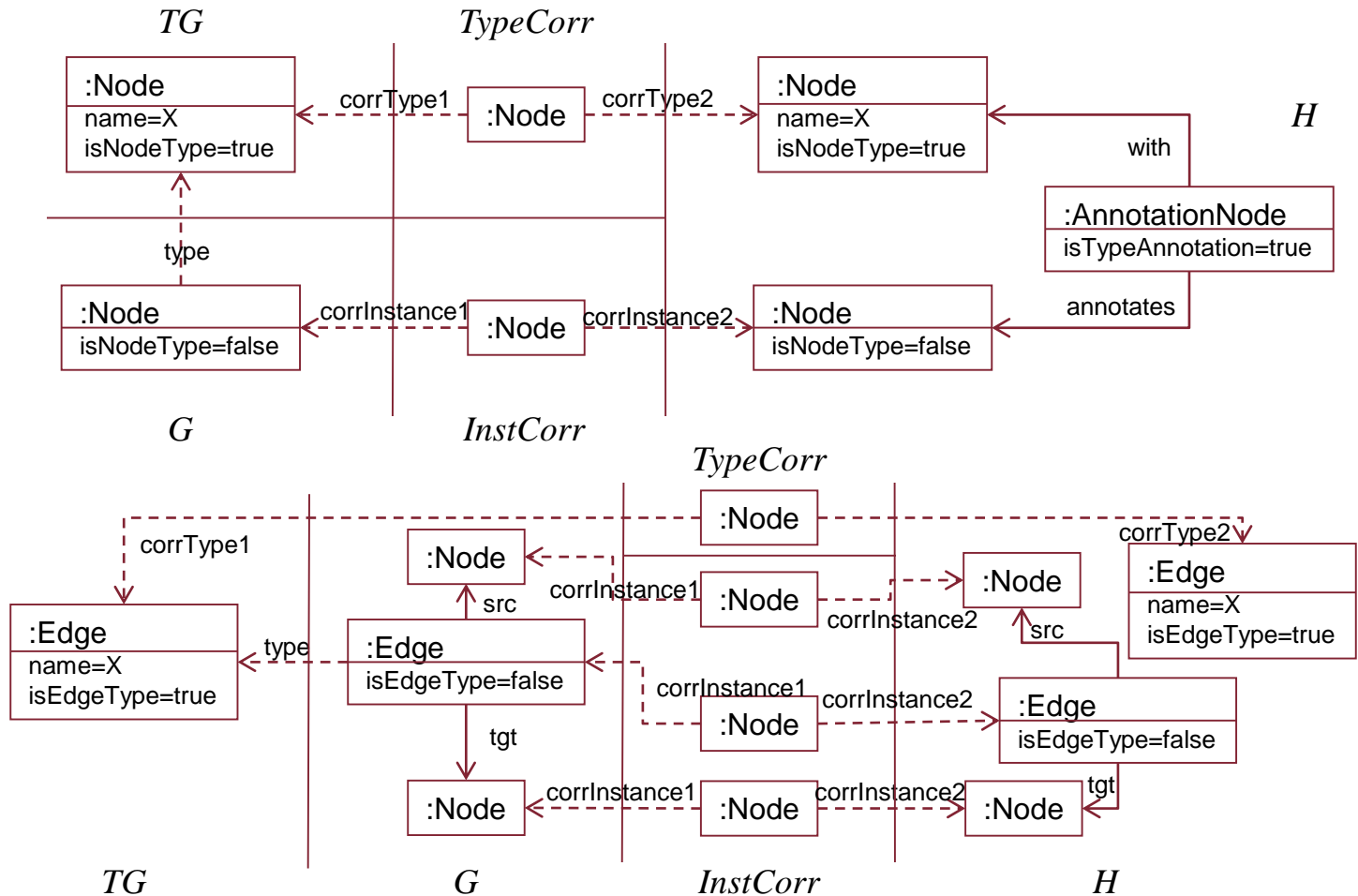
Properties of typeAnn

- **Lemma 1.** If a graph $G \in Ob(\mathbf{TG})$ is correct under typing morphisms, then its image under typeAnn_{Ob} is correct under type annotation.
- **Lemma 2.** If a morphism $m \in Hom(\mathbf{TG})$ is type-preserving then $\text{typeAnn}_{Hom}(m)$ is type-annotation-preserving.

Correspondence patterns (in M) I

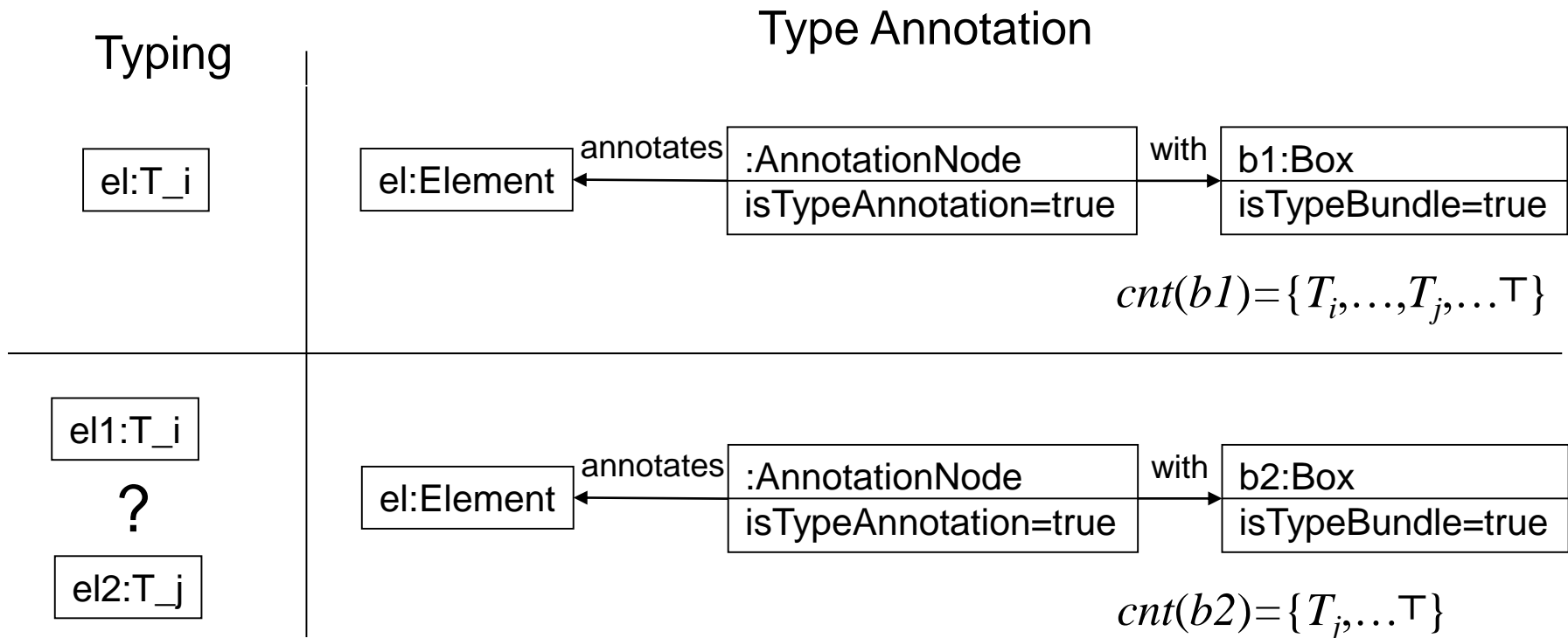


Correspondence patterns (in M) II



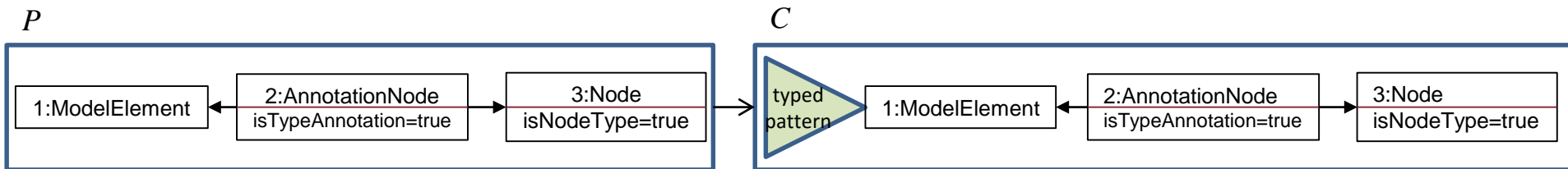
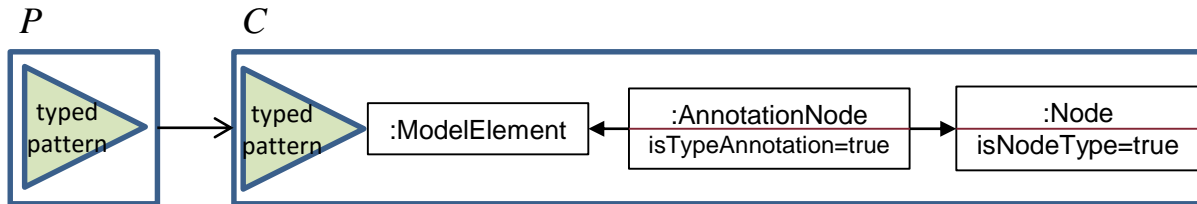
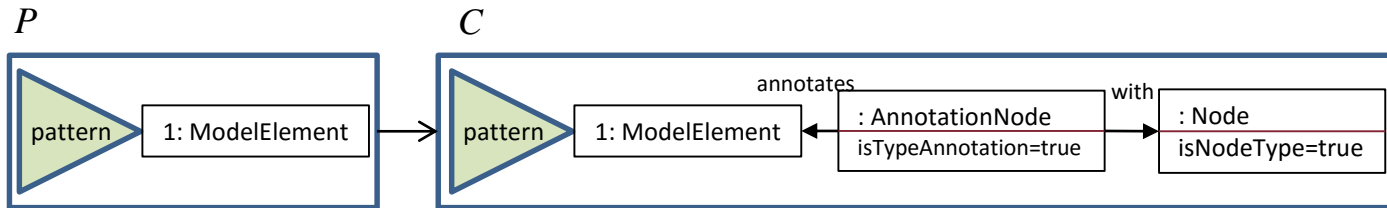
Inheritance

$$T_1 \triangleleft \dots \triangleleft T_i \triangleleft \dots \triangleleft T_j \triangleleft \dots \triangleleft T$$

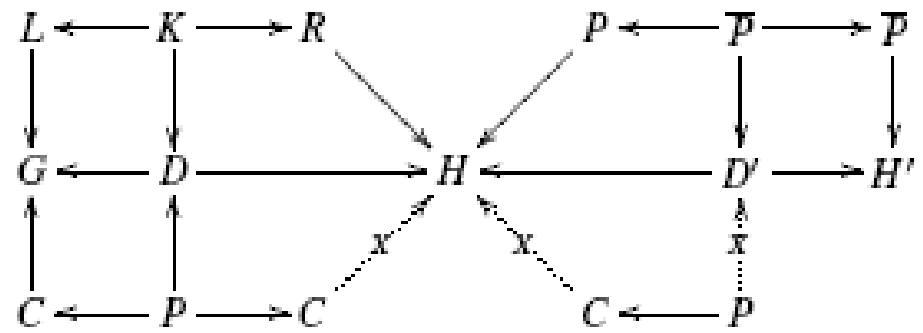
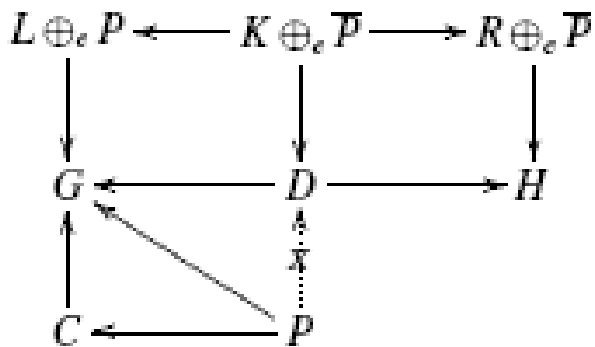
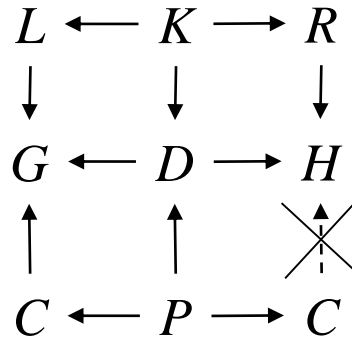
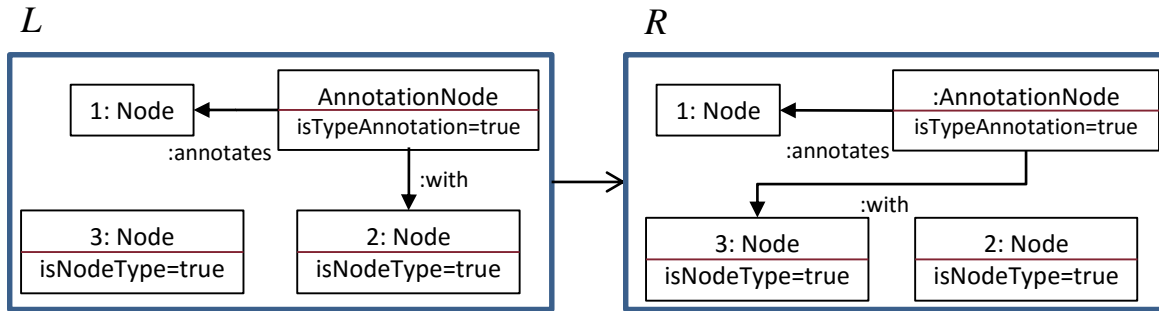


Instance Level Type Change

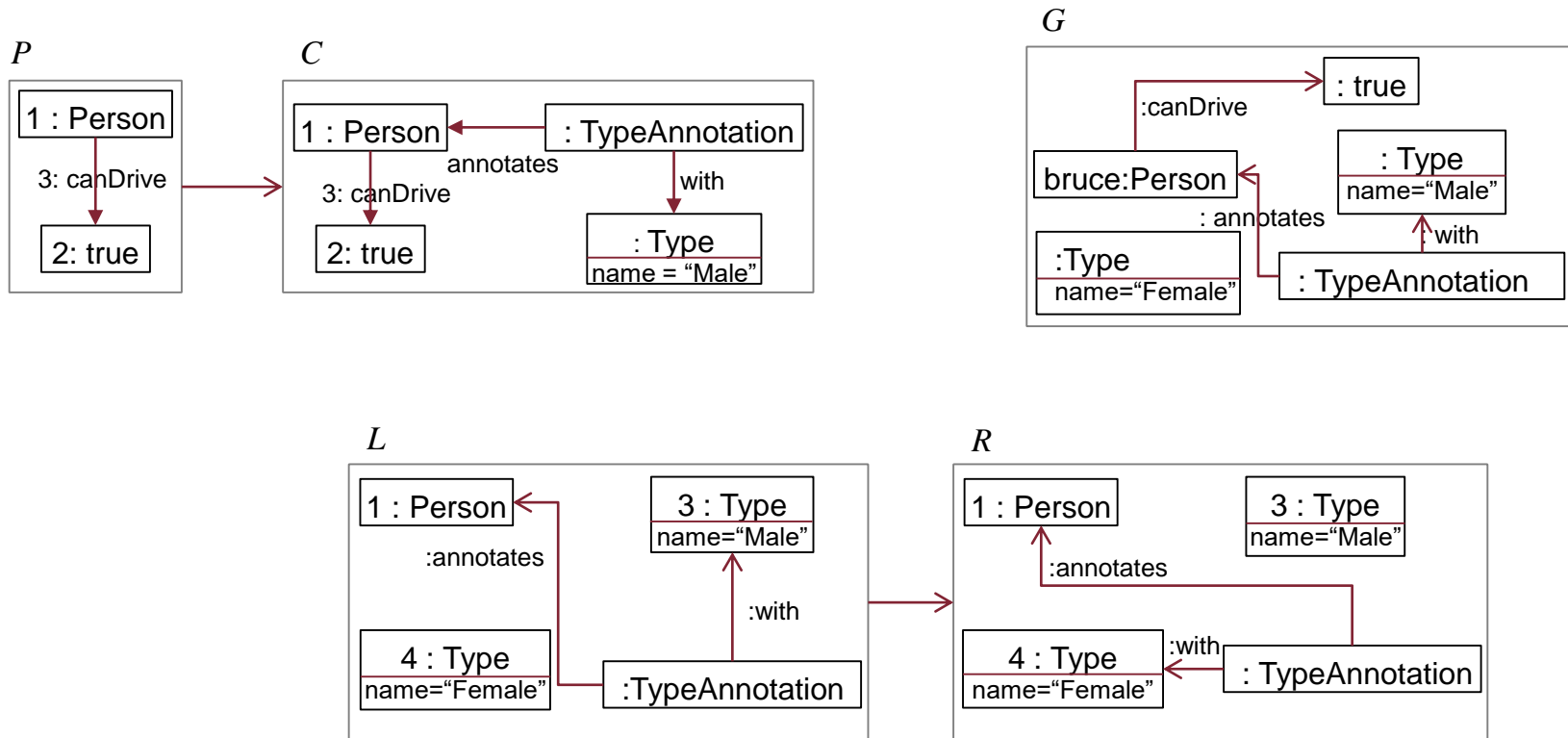
Patterns and types



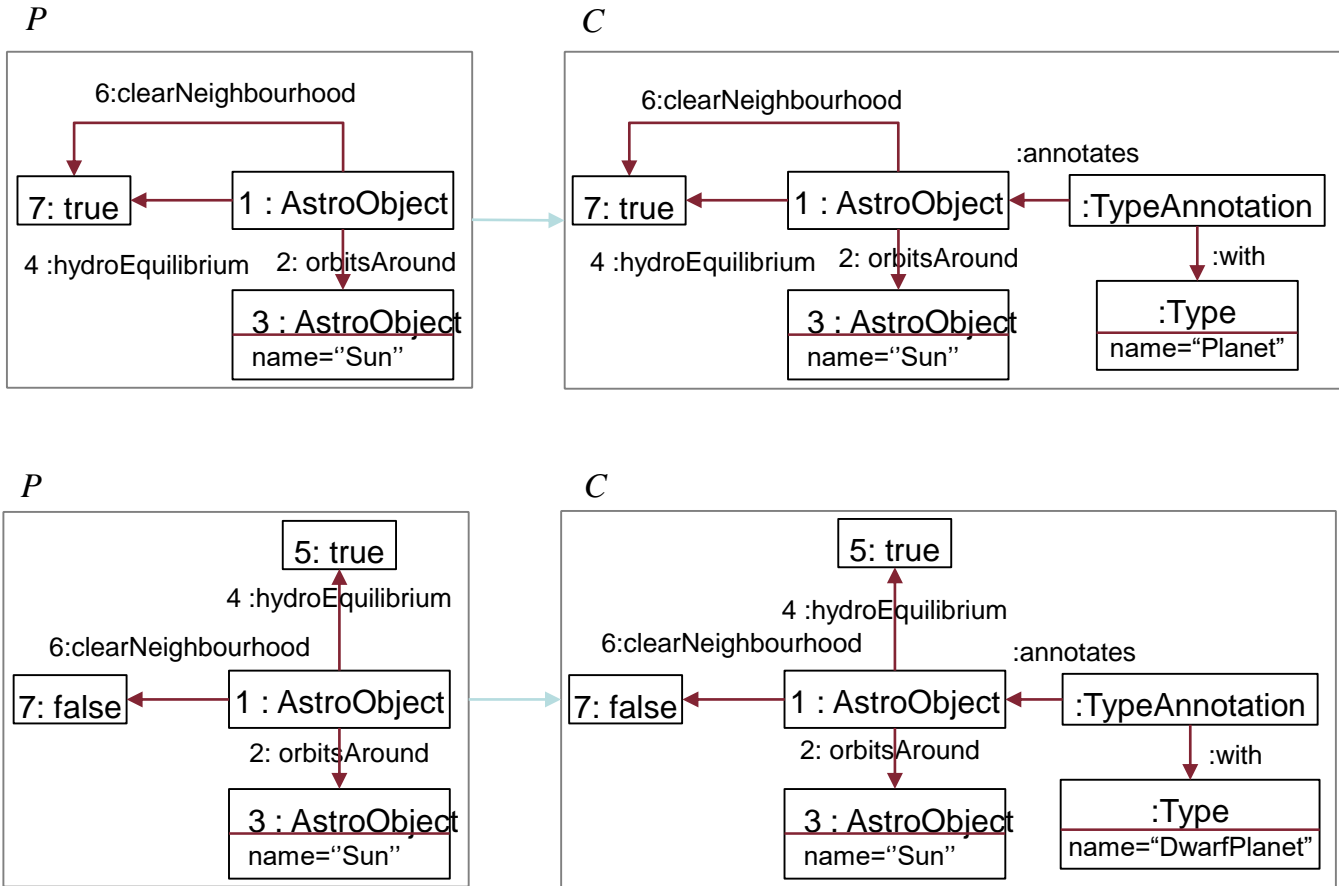
Type change and repair actions



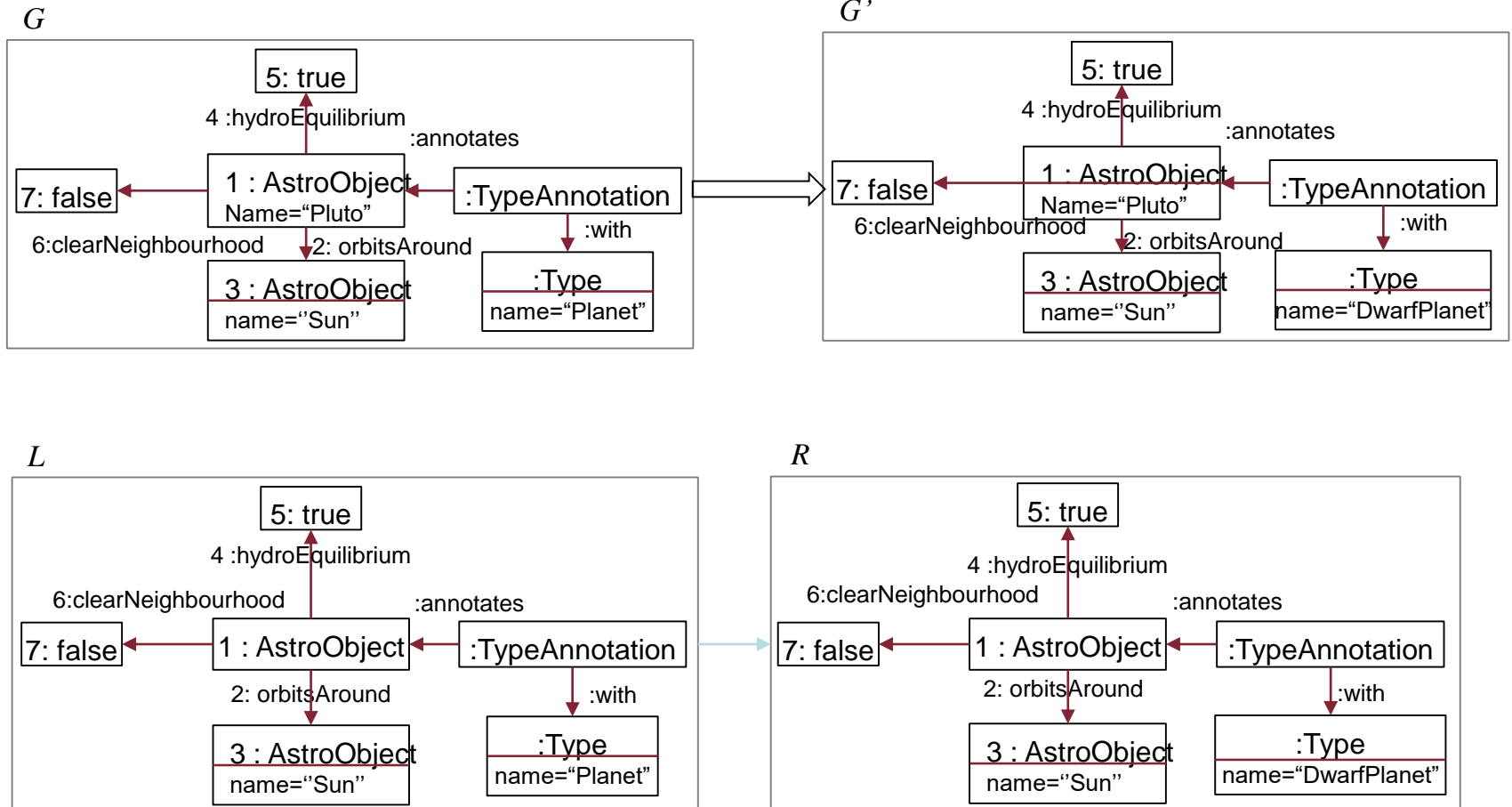
Case study: gender change



Case study: classification



Case study: reclassification



Conclusions

- Type annotations as a flexible way to associate type information to instances
- Types integrated in the domain graphs
- Consequences:
 - Dynamic typing possible at the instance level
 - Multiple typing inherently supported
 - Additional information can be associated with elements, even if not required by their types