

## The CartACom model :

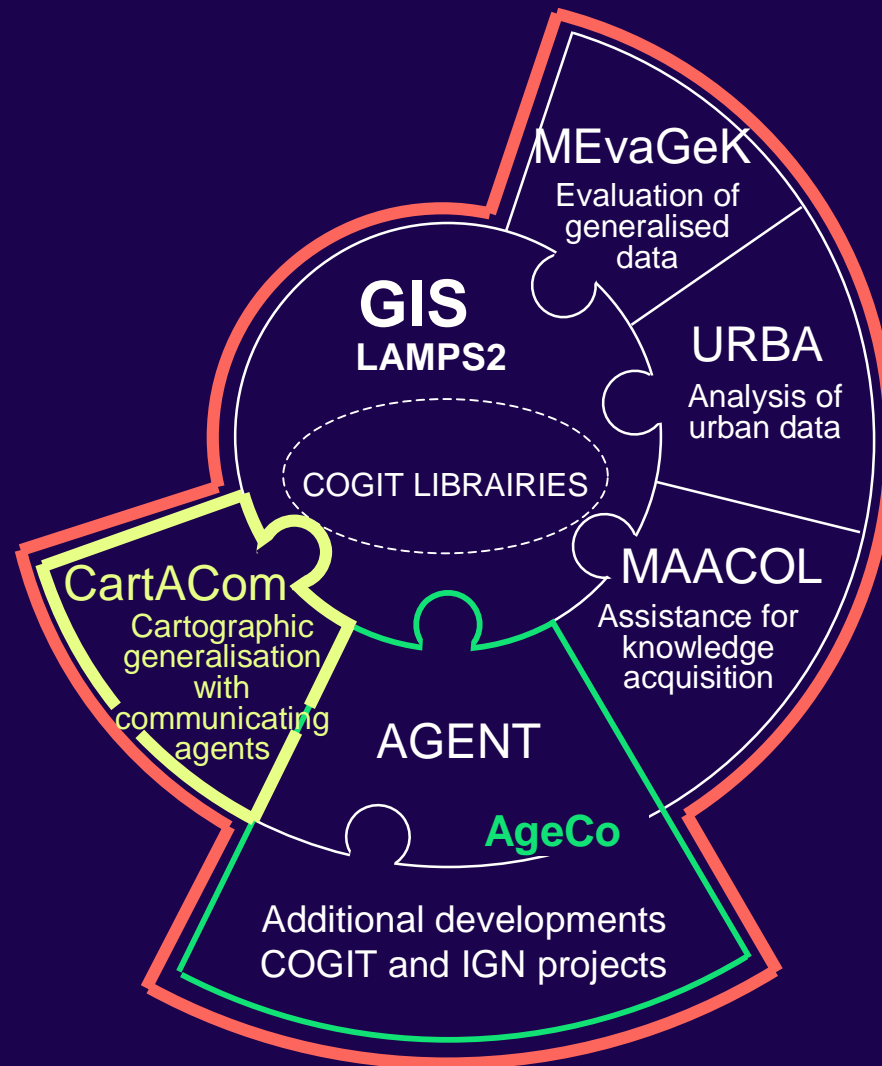
a generalisation model for taking  
relational constraints into  
account



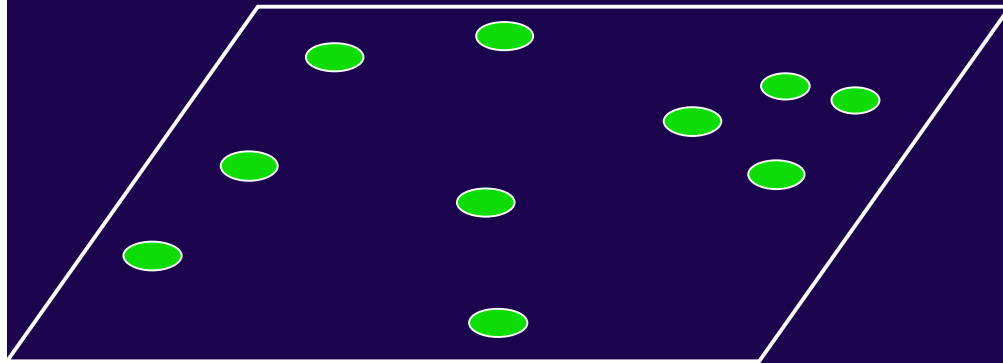
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# This presentation in the context of AGIT

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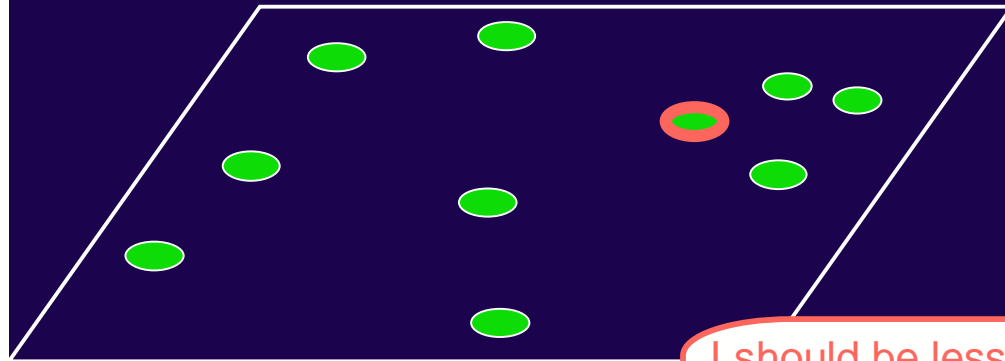
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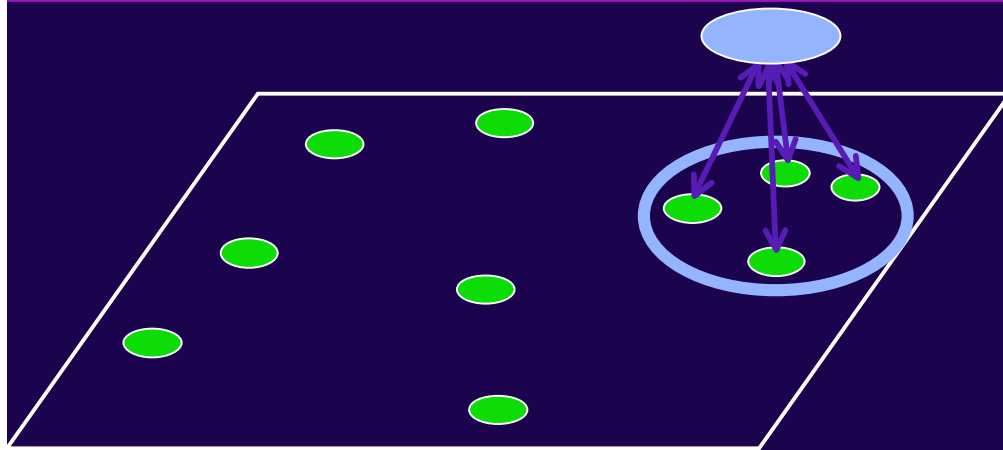


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I should be less detailed,  
I should be more squared,  
I should keep my global shape,  
...

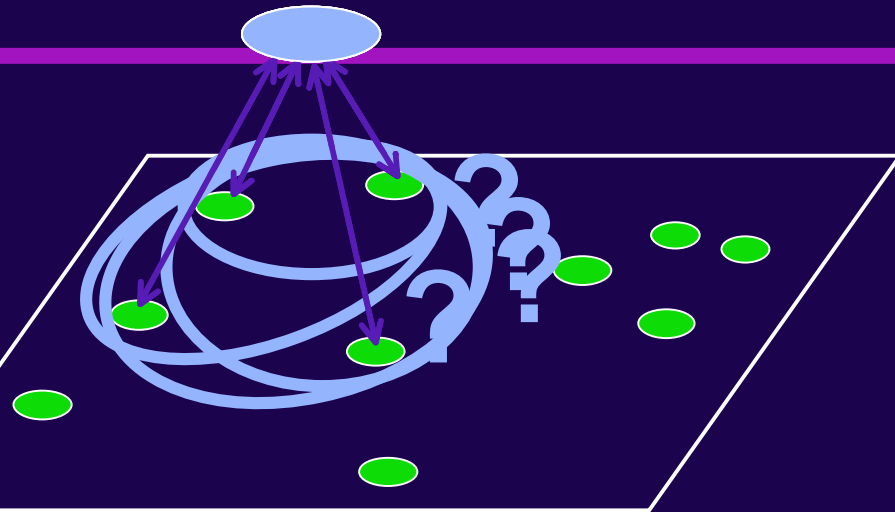
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"meso" level of analysis



# Limits of the AGENT model

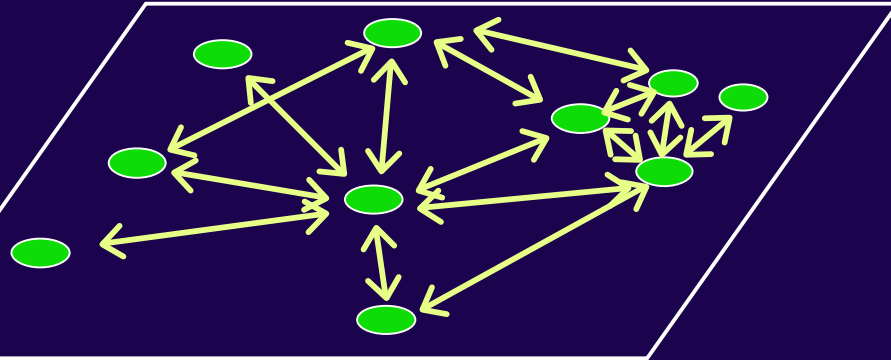


In rural areas:

- No natural hierarchy  
⇒ no obvious meso
- Geog. themes are more various
- Conflicts are more local  
more various



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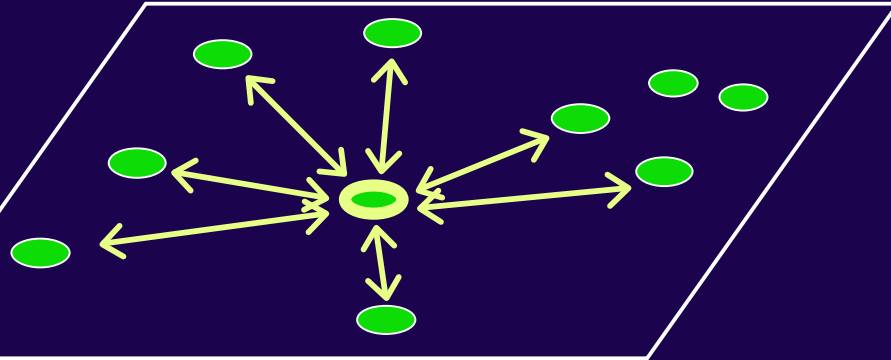


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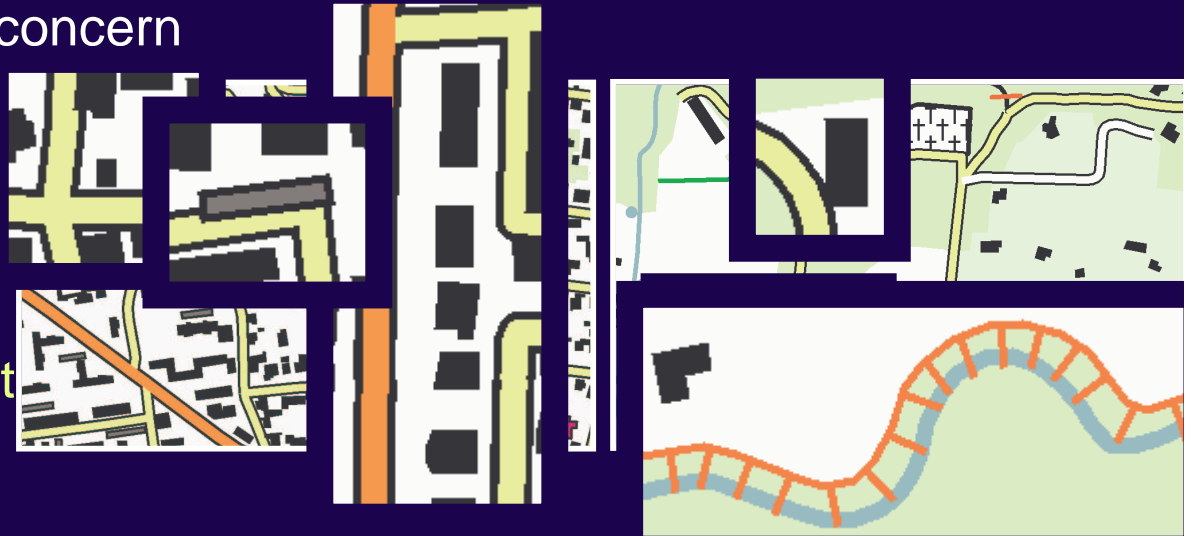




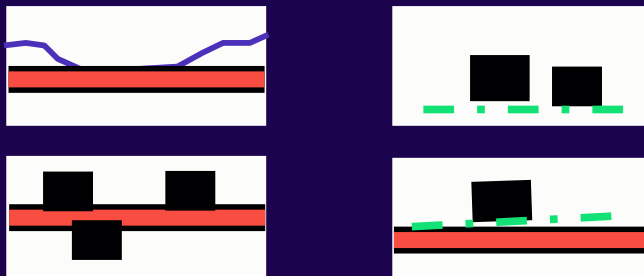
# Principle 1 : Consider relational constraints

A cartographic constraint can concern

- An object
- A group of objects
- A relation between two objects : relational constraint



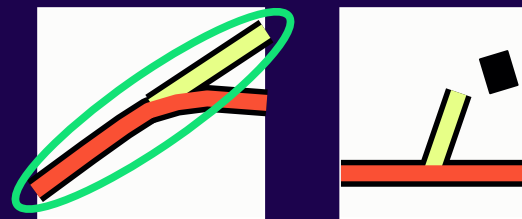
## Legibility



Symbol overlap

Near parallelism  
Near alignment

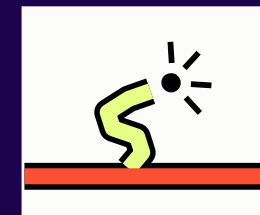
## Preservation of relations



Alignment

Relative position  
(a the end, on the right)

## Geographic coherence

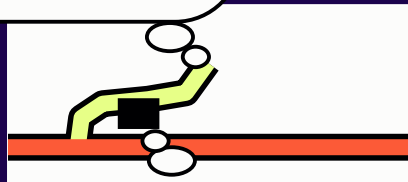


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# Principle 2: agents see and communicate

## Perception

The building is overlapping me. There is free space above myself.



I am overlapping the yellow dead end. I am stuck because of the red road.

*Transfer of information*

## Communication



Mo  
Much better !

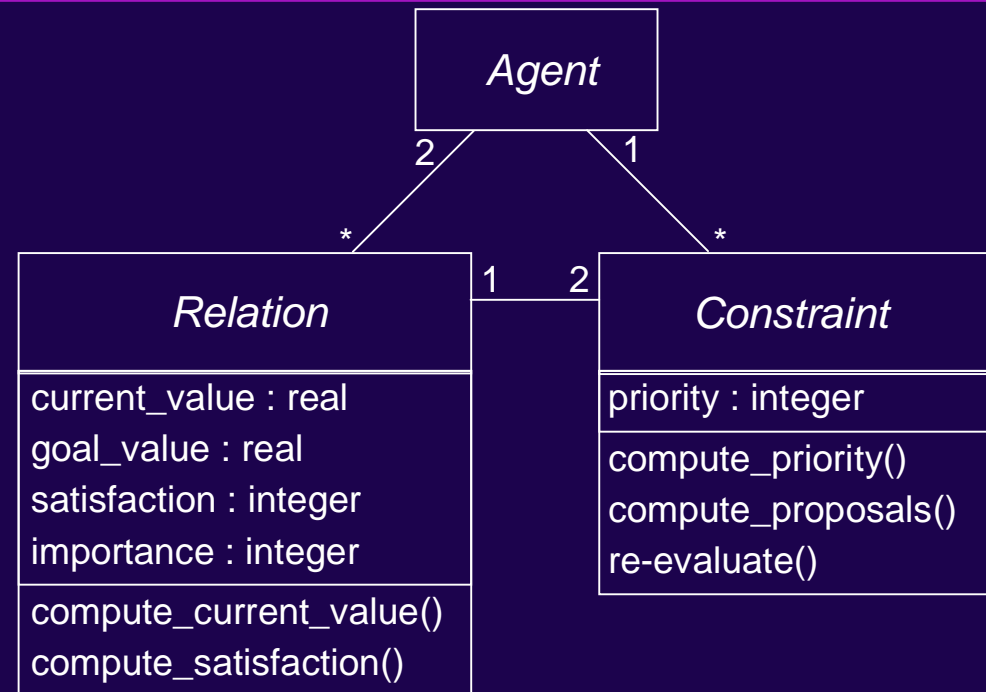
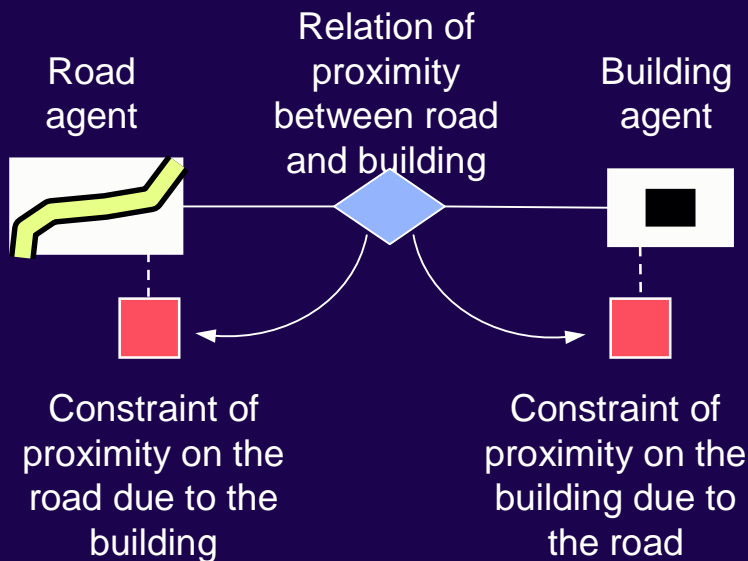
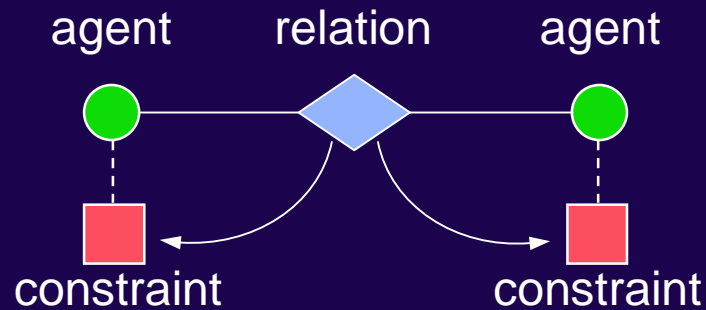
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It is stuck. Thus I'll try and change a bit my shape...

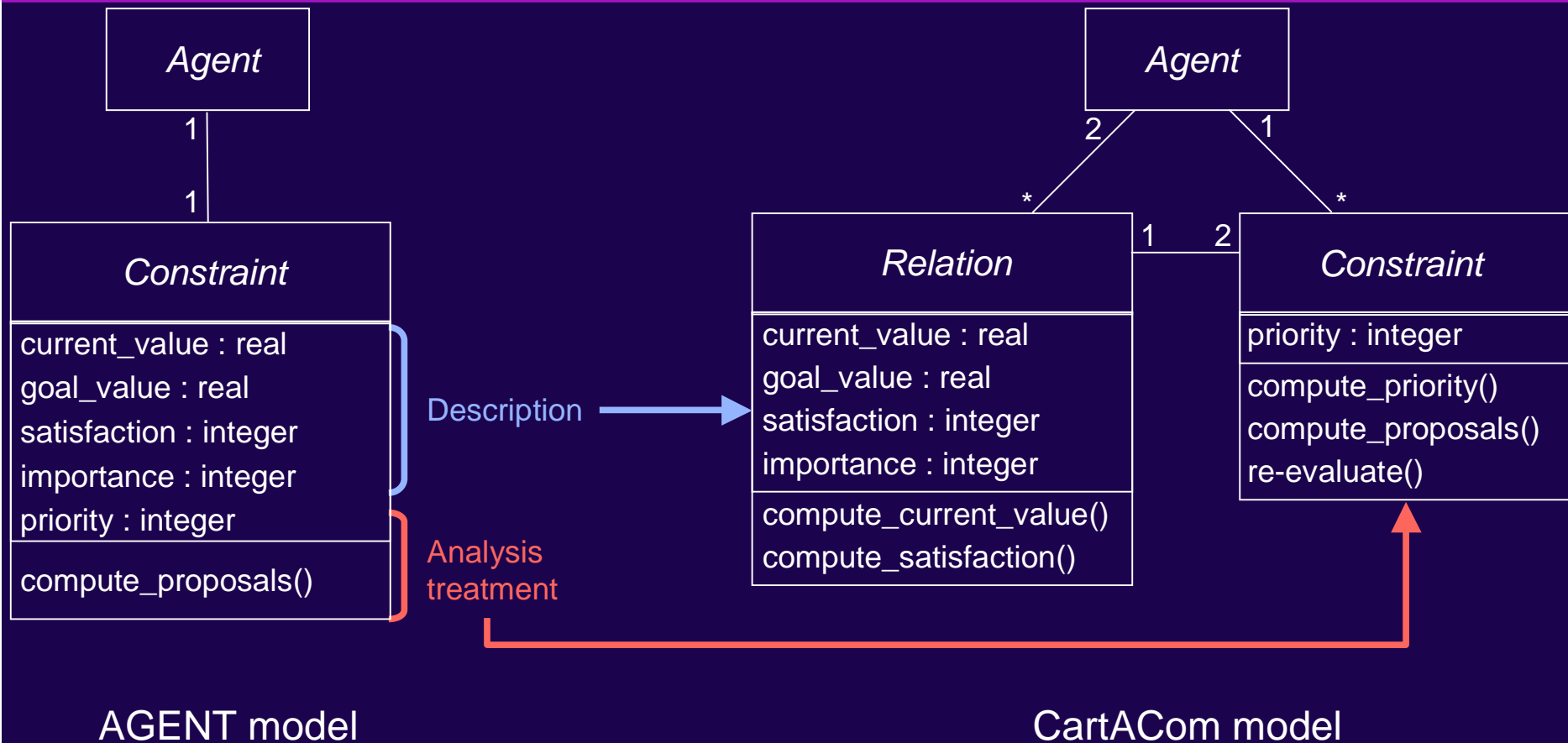
# Main novelties in the model since last year

- A generic model to represent the relational constraints
- A generic behaviour of the agents, guided by their relational constraints
- Two new generic operations:
  - Self-elimination
  - Propagation of deformations to the topologically connected agents

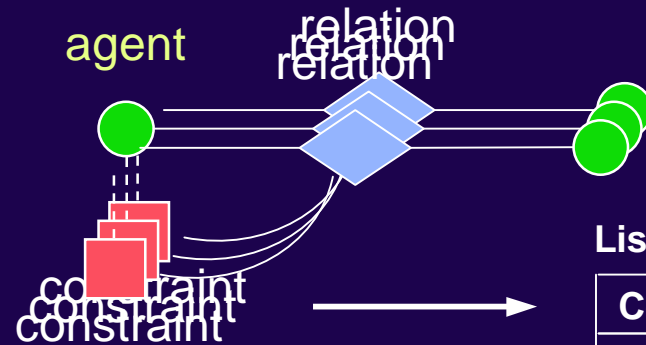
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# Use of relational constraints



List of possible actions

Constraint	Who acts	Algorithm	Parameters
contrainte1	me	algo1	param1
contrainte2	the other	algo2	param2
contrainte3	me	algo3	param3

<i>Constraint</i>
priority : integer
compute_priority()
compute_proposals()
re-evaluate()

Apply a generalisation algorithm to oneself :  
name, [parameters]

Ask the other agent to apply a generalisation algorithm to itself :  
nom, [parameters]

# Working example

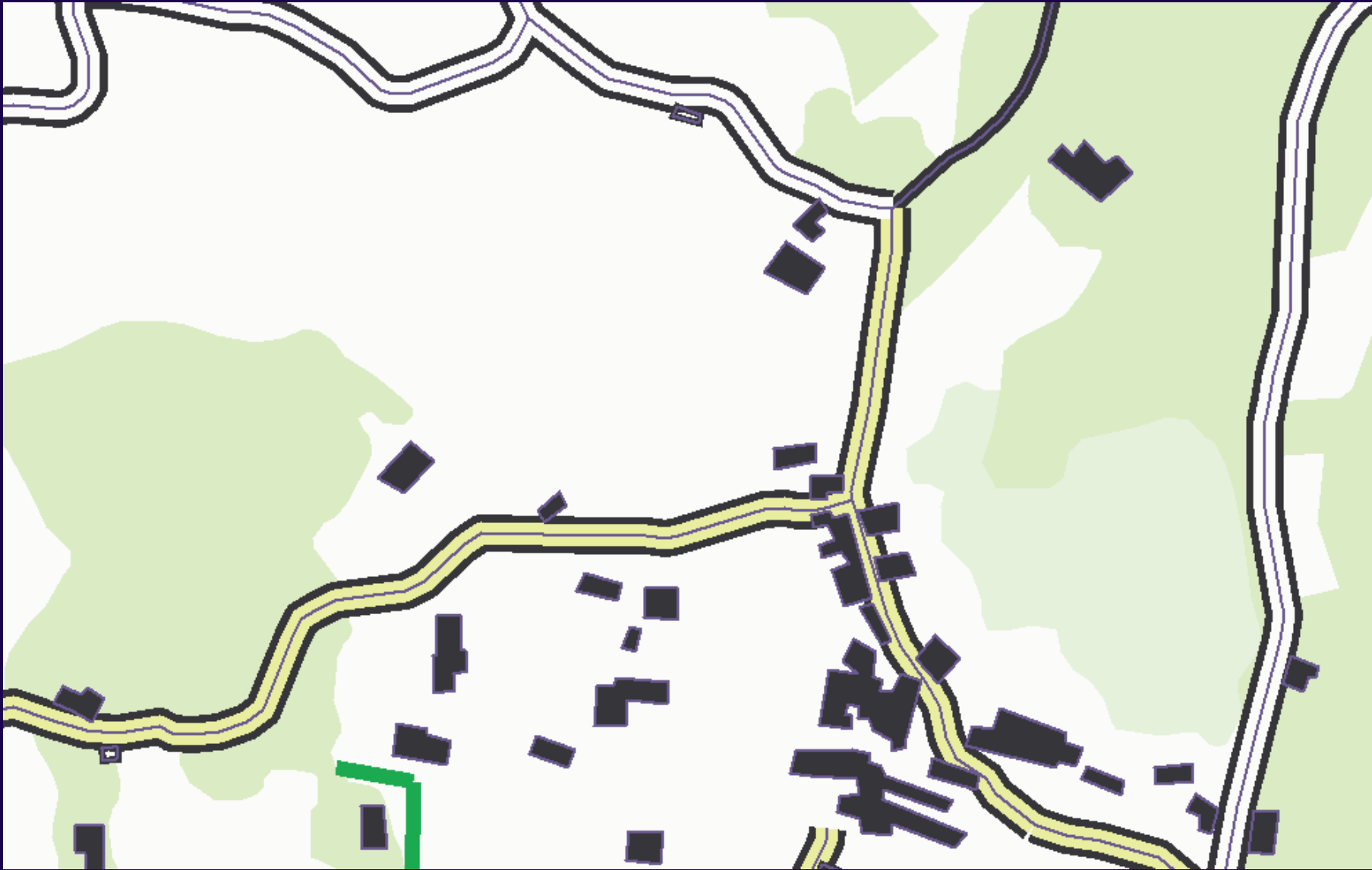
- Hamlet *Les Boyers* (close to Aix-en-Provence)
- 49 handled agents :
  - 9 roads
  - 1 footpath
  - 35 buildings
  - 4 topological faces bounded by networks
- 19 "following" agents
  - 2 hedges
  - 17 land use parcels
- Some data on execution
  - Execution time : 63s
  - 178 activations of agents
  - 431 conversations : 37 requests for action, 394 information

# Working example

- Considered relational constraints:
  - Non overlapping
  - Preservation of relative position (road-building)
  - Exaggeration of parallelism (road-building)
- Used operations
  - Buildings: displacement, rotation, self-elimination
  - Roads and buildings: internal generalisation (AGENT plug-in)



# Working example



# Other results - high density of buildings

Scale 1 : 35 000



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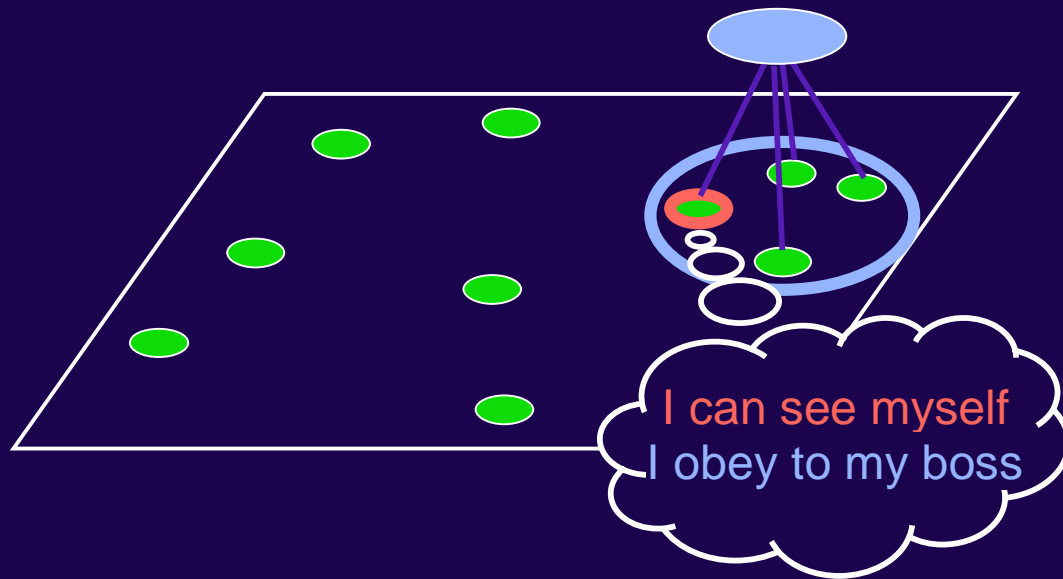


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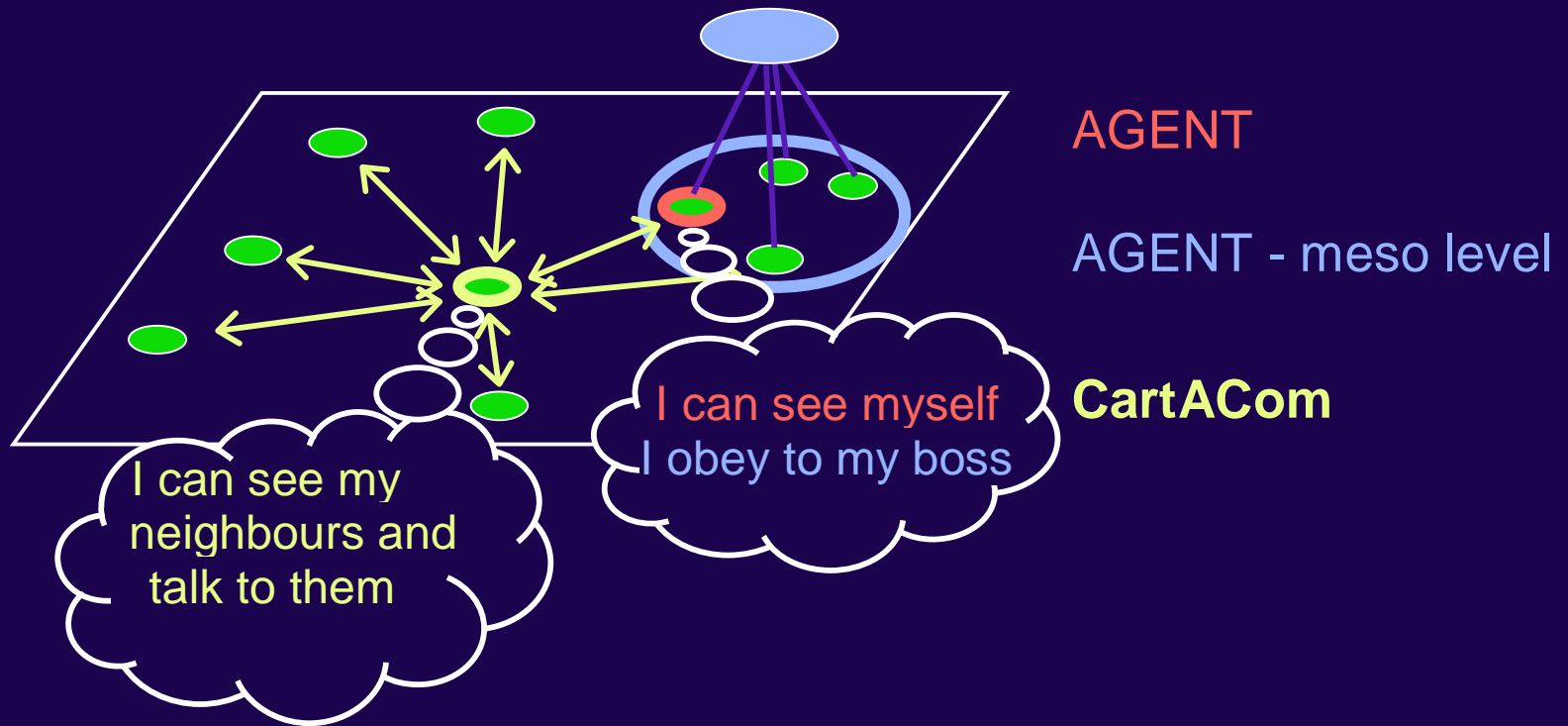
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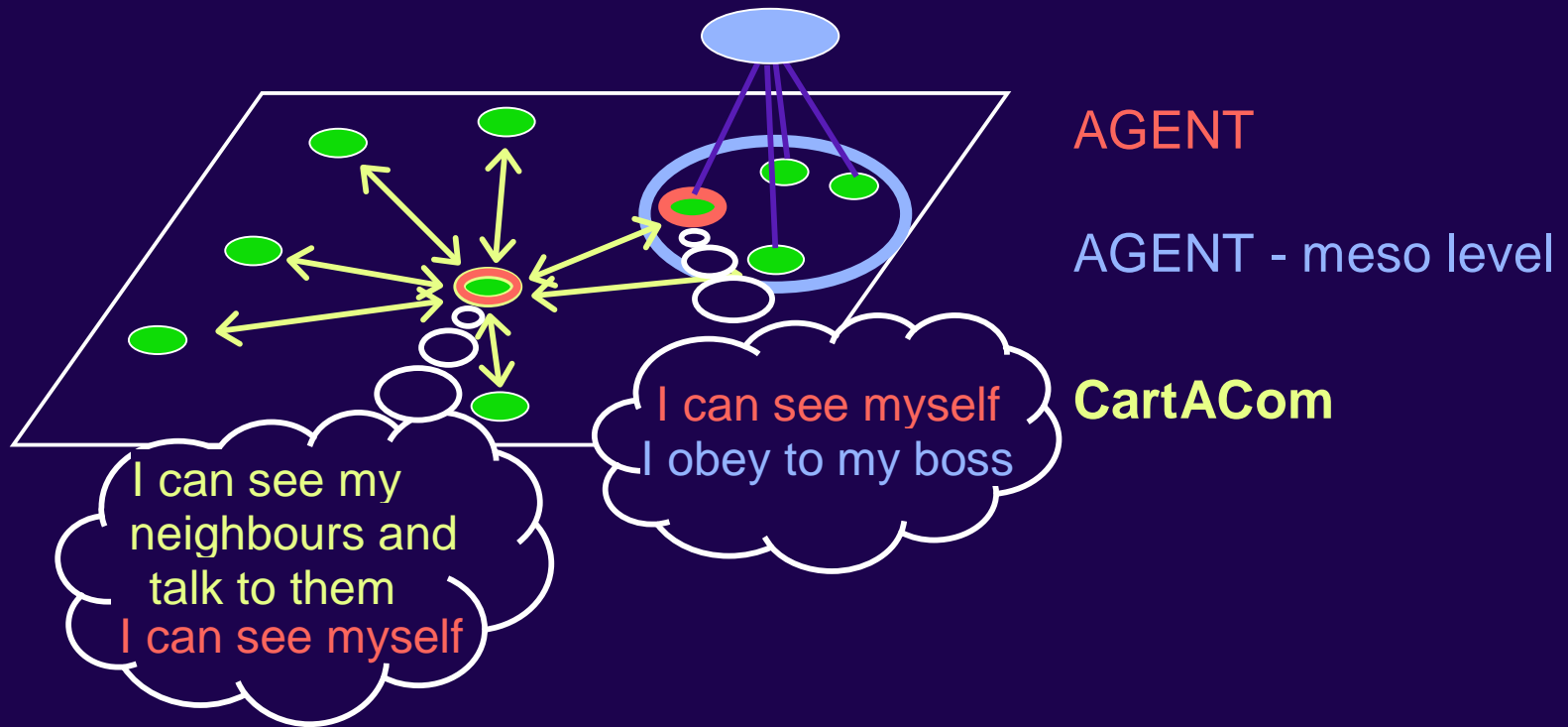
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AGENT - meso level

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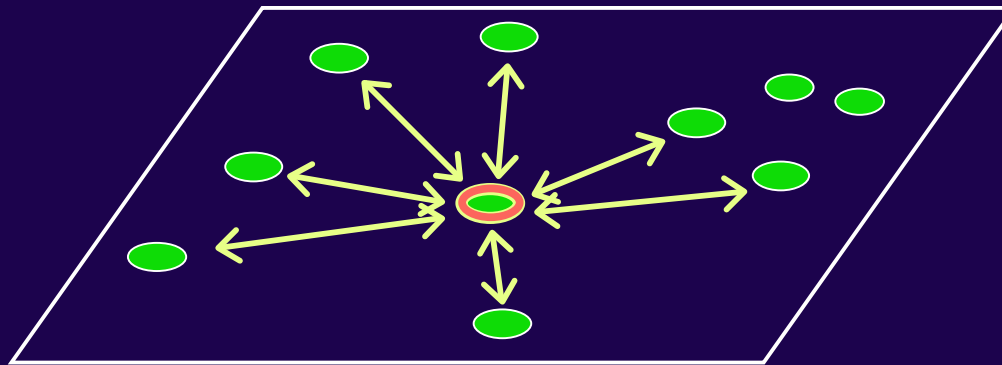


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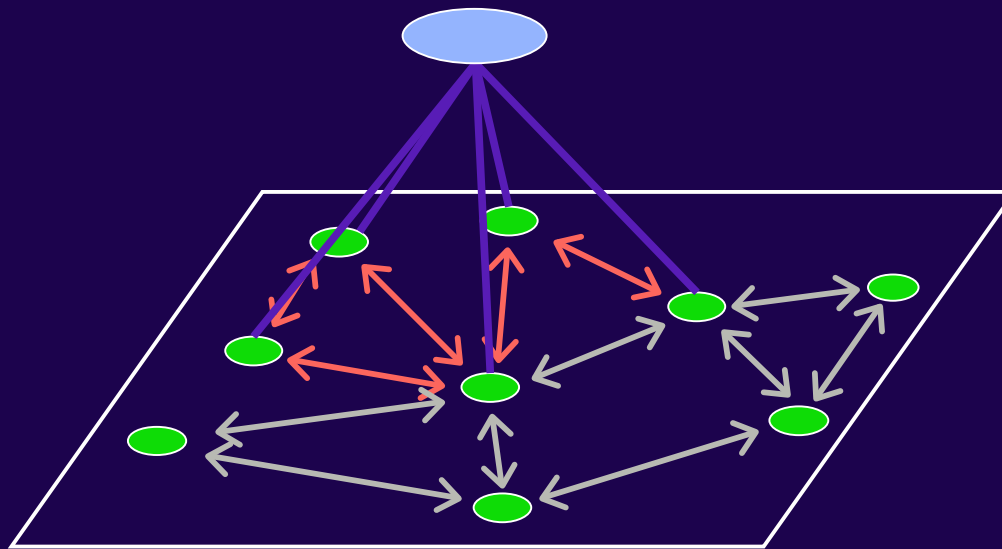
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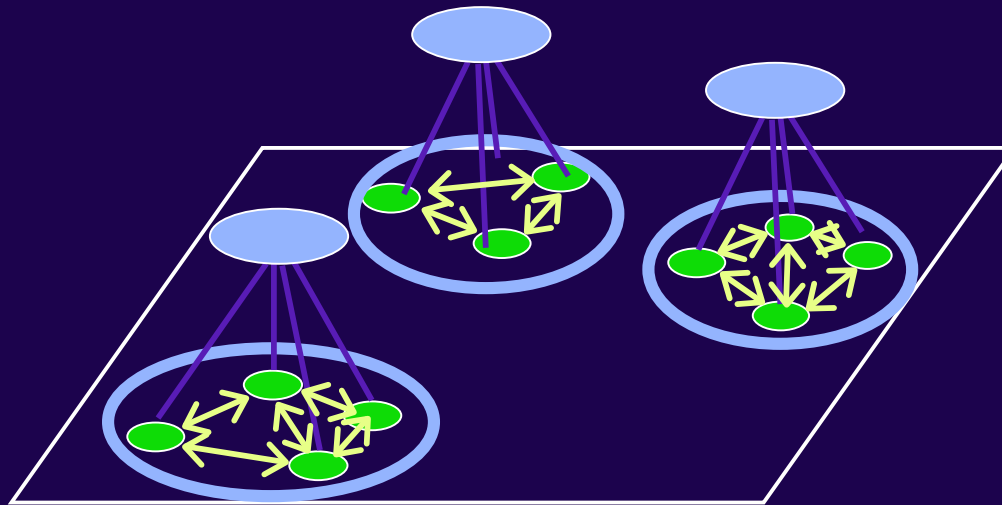


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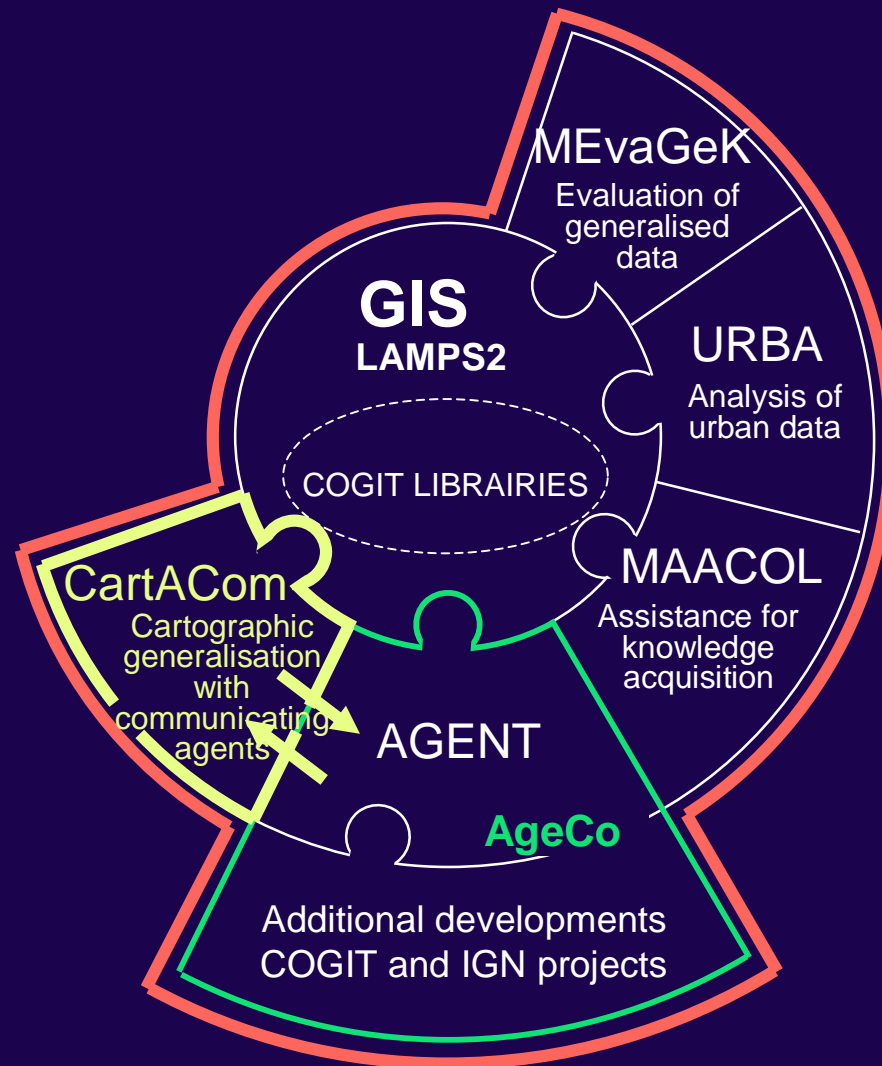
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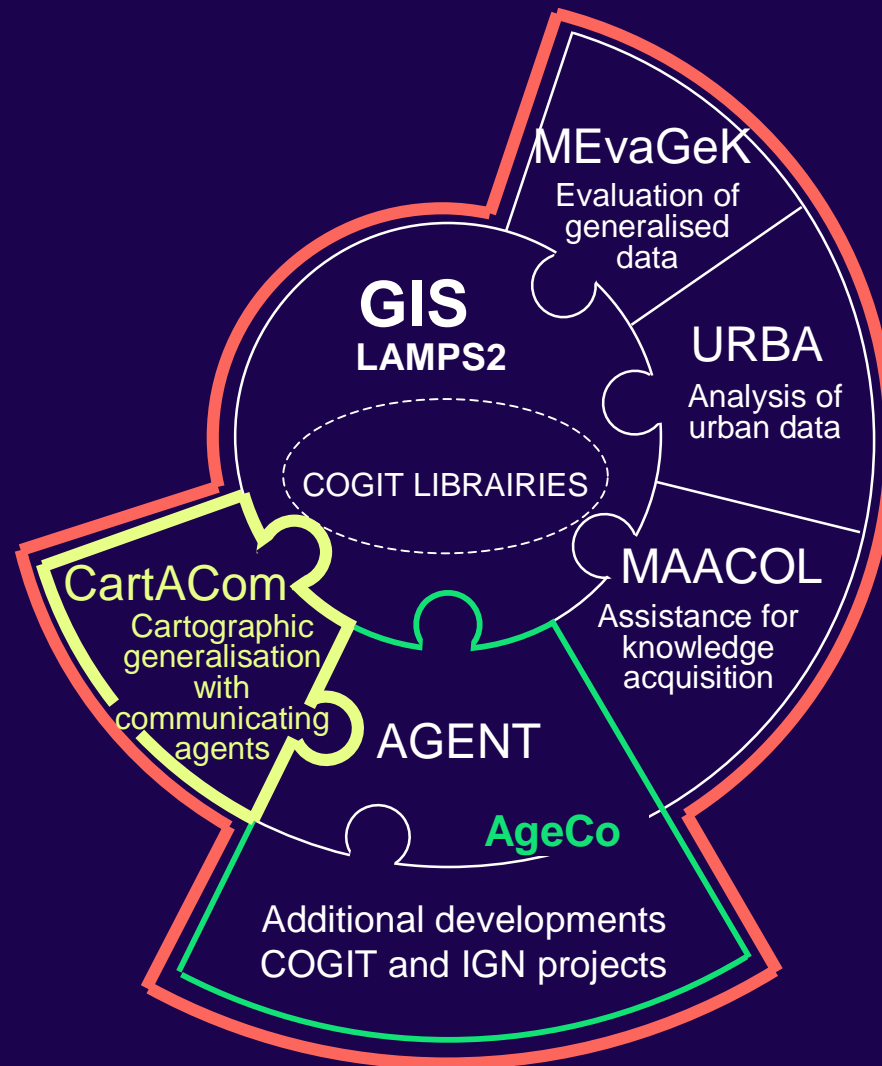
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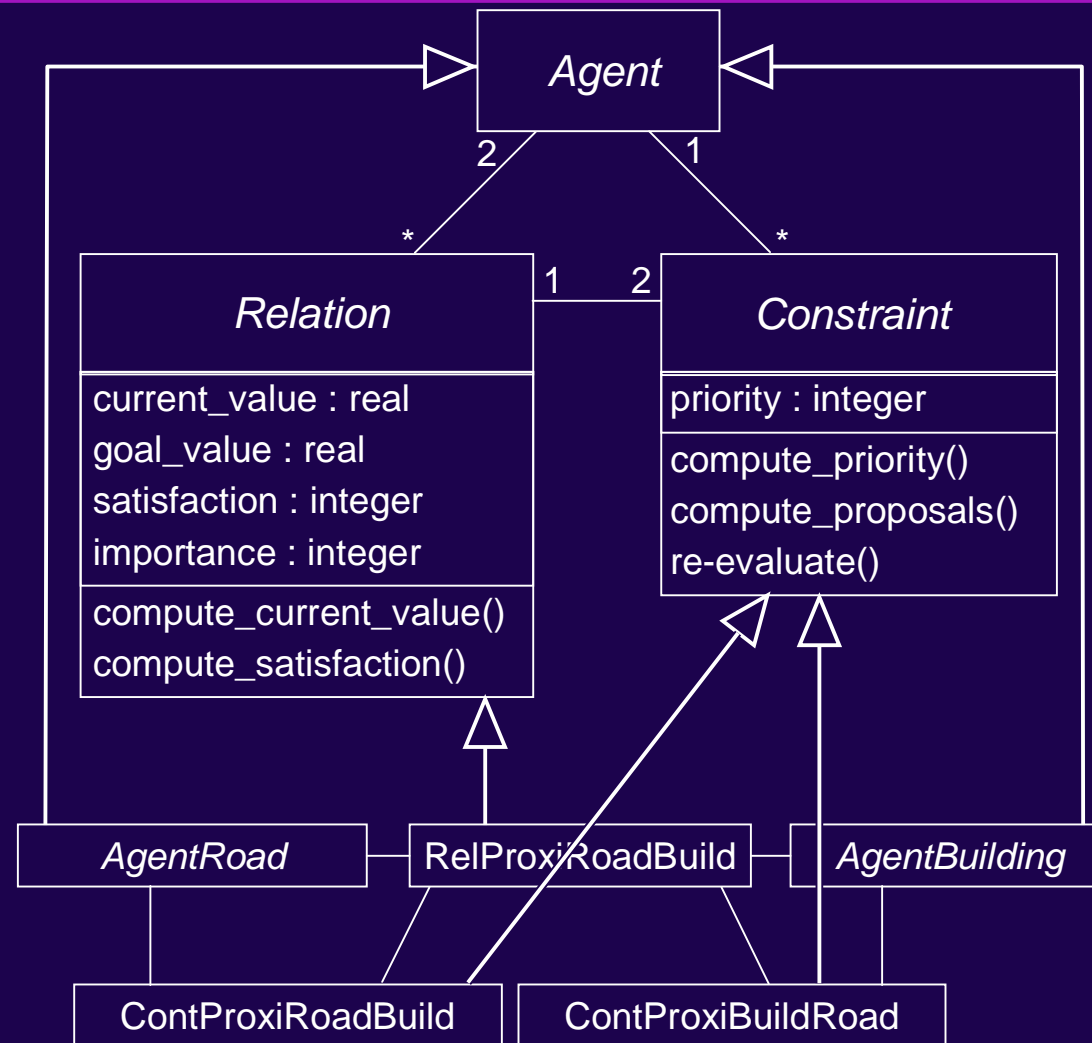
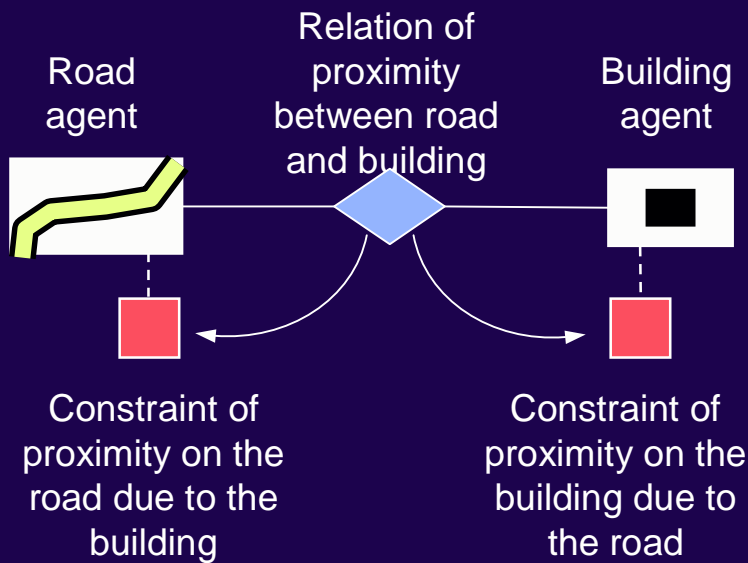
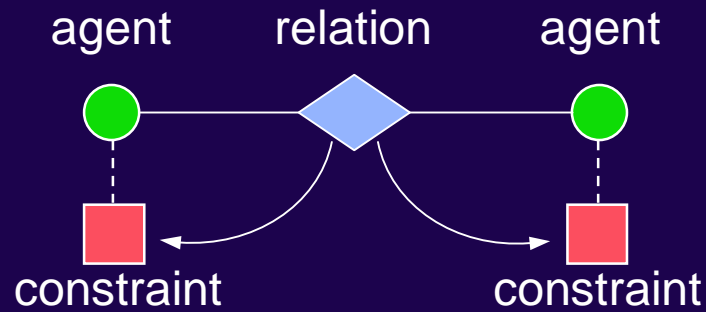
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Thank you !  
Questions?



# Modelling relational constraints



# Perspectives (2)

To go further

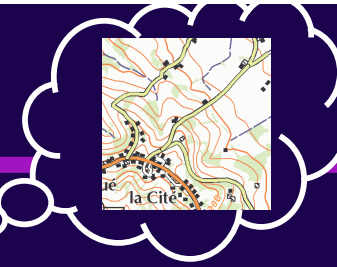


In the AGIT platform...

-  **AGENT** + [Trévisan 04]
-  **AGENT "meso"** + [Boffet 01]
-  **CartACom**

[Galanda 03]  
[Bader 01]  
[Harrie et Sarjakoski 02] ...

Interface



Combine approaches for a complete process

Introduce des constrained elements (relief)

Help to parameterisation of the result [Hubert 2003]  
of the process