



ONTOLOGY-BASED KNOWLEDGE ACQUISITION FOR THAI INGREDIENT SUBSTITUTION

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ABSTRACT

Cooking is an important activity because food is one of the basic necessities of life. However, some ingredients are difficult to find in some seasons or some regions, therefore ingredient substitution is needed for real taste. This article presents a knowledge acquisition model for ingredient substitution by applying Thai cuisine recipe for a case study. The main purpose of this research is to substitute rare Thai ingredients using existing ingredients. The proposed model is applying the concept of domain ontology to design the entities and relations among these entities which are related to ingredient substitution in Thai cuisine recipe. In addition, a set of rule bases by Semantic Web Rule Language (SWRL) is designed and embedded into the ontology to apply for discovering the existing ingredients that can substitute the rare Thai ingredients.

Keywords: ingredient substitution, ontology, knowledge acquisition.

INTRODUCTION

A question, like “I want to cook Tom Yum Kung but I have not Lime juice, then what ingredient can be substituted?” is frequently asked on internet web-board when persons want to cook food but some ingredients are unavailable. Therefore, the main purpose of this research is to design and develop the knowledge base to substitute rare ingredients for remaining original sensory properties by using the existing ingredients.

The work of ingredient substitution needs to apply a semantic searching technique. Ontology is a specification of conceptualization which supports information exchange based on the semantic search. It can provide hierarchical and associated results for users and also reduce searching times for attaining the information. Moreover, the intelligent knowledge will be inferred by an inference process (Gruber, 1993), (W3C, 2004). Since the capability of knowledge inference, this work supposes that the knowledge of Thai ingredient substitution can be explicit by the ontology concept and inference process.

There are many research works related to food ontology. For example, Villarias (2004) developed a cooking ontology to resolve a problem of un-pattern recipe from cooking websites. Batista *et al.* (2005) developed food ontology as the knowledge base of dialogue system. Koenderink *et al.* (2005) developed a food ingredient ontology using ingredient properties on Food Informatics project for supporting food researchers. Kimura *et al.* (2008) developed method to translate and replace ingredients from foreign recipes to Japanese recipes. Vadivu and Hopper (2010) developed a food ontology to support semantic search based on natural food and chemical compounds and related diseases. Moreover, several researchers developed the food ontology to support a menu recommendation system, such as Badra *et al.* (2008), Demiguel *et al.* (2008), Fudholi *et al.* (2008), Herrera and Iglesias (2008), Lee *et al.* (2008), Snae and Bruckner (2008), Garcia (2009), Wang *et al.* (2009), Suksom *et al.* (2010), and Kiryakov and Penev (2011).

However, the purpose of those research conducted for different problems; for instance, Lee *et al.* (2008) developed Taiwanese menu planning system for individual diabetic patient. Snae and Bruckner (2008) developed the food ontology for a menu-planning system to be suitable each clinical patient and restaurant customer based on individual disease and dietary. Garcia (2009) developed the food ontology for a meal recommender to support individual requirement, like vegetarian or celiac. In addition, Kiryakov and Penev (2011) developed food ontology on EDAMAM project to support the menu recommender system on a smartphone device.

This research objective is to discover ingredient substitution knowledge based on each dish and ingredient properties by applying domain knowledge in Thai cuisine recipe and also embedding Semantic Web Rule Language (SWRL) for knowledge inference. Following the objective, the design of food ontology for Thai ingredient substitution could not apply the existing food ontologies owing to the different purposes. The entities and relations among these entities of proposed food ontology are obviously different from previous work, including the rules for substitution knowledge inference.

The rest of article consists of following sections. Section 2 describes a domain knowledge overview. Section 3 proposes a knowledge capture by food ontology. Section 4 provides a knowledge inference model using the SWRL. Section 5 shows results and discussions, while the conclusions are presented in the last section.

DOMAIN KNOWLEDGE OVERVIEW

Domain knowledge is the valid knowledge related to an area humans are working in. In this research, the domain knowledge is concerned in Thai food characteristic and food sensory knowledge. The Thai food characteristic knowledge benefits this work as ingredient characteristic clarification. The food sensory knowledge is applied for constructing the ingredient substitution approach because this research hypothesis is that an



ingredient can substitute another ingredient, if sensory properties between them are equivalent. For example, if Green-Mango has taste sour like Lime, Lime can be substituted by Green-Mango. The sensory properties of food in this research refer to flavor, taste and texture. The following basic knowledge overview is summarized from many sources. Basic Thai food characteristics are summarized from Nardpinit (1999). Taste and flavor sensory characteristics are summarized from Fisher and Scott (1997). Texture sensory characteristic is summarized from Szczesniak (1963). Ingredients used in this case study are collected from The Cook'sBook of Ingredient (2010).

Thai Food Characteristic Knowledge:

Ingredient functions or using purposes of Thai food ingredient are divided into 4 purposes: 1) Ingredient consumed as Vegetable 2) Ingredient consumed as Meat 3) Ingredient consumed as Carb and 4) Ingredient

consumed as Seasoning. There are 7 tastes in Thai food: Sour, Sweet, Creamy or Oily, Salty, Spicy, Bitter, and Astringent. Flavor is classified into 2 types based on the two following purposes: 1) Pungent or spice aroma for reducing a bad smell which is mostly derived from plants, such as garlic, parsley root, torch ginger, etc. and 2) Specific odor which is mostly derived from animals, such as shrimp paste and fish sauce.

Food Sensory Characteristic Knowledge:

Food sensory characteristic is a quality of food which is concerned in three aspects: 1) Taste, 2) Flavor, 3) Texture, and 4) Appearance. Basic taste has classified into 5 tastes as sweet, sour, salty, bitter, and umami. Hot and Capsaicin is not the basic taste but it is mouth sensation when taste-bud has burned. Flavor has been classified based on food sources into 9 main classes and 23 subdivisions as shown in Table-1.

Table-1. Classification of food flavors (Fisher and Scott, 1997).

| Flavor Class | Subdivision | Example |
|----------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Fruit flavors | Citrus (Terpene) | Grapefruit, orange |
| | Non-Citrus (Non-Terpene) | Apple, raspberry, banana |
| Vegetable flavors | Fresh | Lettuce, celery |
| | Dried | Tomato leather, tobacco |
| Spice flavors | Aromatic | Cinnamon, peppermint |
| | Lachrymatory | Onion, garlic |
| | Hot | Pepper, ginger |
| Bevergace flavors | Unfermented | Juices, milk |
| | Fermented | Wine, beer, tea |
| | Compounded | Soft drinks, cordials |
| Meat flavors | Mammal | Beef, Lamb, pork |
| | Fish | Salmon, menhaden |
| | Fowl | Chicken, turkey |
| Fat flavors | Vegetable | Olive oil, soybean oil |
| | Animal | Lard, tallow, butter |
| Cooked flavors | Broth | Beef bouillon |
| | Vegetable | Peas, potatos, bouillon |
| | Fruit | Marmalade, jelly |
| Empyreumatic flavors | Smoky | Hams, kippers |
| | Broiled, fried | Processed meats |
| | Roasted, toasted, baked | Coffee, snack foods, breakfast cereals, bread |
| Stench flavors | Fermented | Blue cheese |
| | Oxidized | Spoiled fish |

Texture is food quality that can be detected by fingers, tongue, palate, or teeth. Texture can be divided

into three main characteristics: 1) Mechanical characteristic, the examples of popular term are soft,



crunchy, tender, etc.; 2) Geometrical characteristic, the examples are coarse, grainy, etc.; and 3) Other characteristics that are related to moisture and fat contents, the examples of popular term such as greasy, creamy, etc.

Appearance is a quality that can be detected by sight, such as color and shape. Popular terms of food texture are described in Table-2.

Table-2. Classification of textural characteristics (Szczesniak, 1963).

| Mechanical Characteristics | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Primary Parameters | Secondary Parameters | Popular Term |
| Hardness | - | Soft >> Firm >> Hard |
| Cohesiveness | Brittleness | Crumbly >> Crunchy >> Brittle |
| | Chewiness | Tender >> Chewy >> Tough |
| | Gumminess | Short >> Mealy >> Pasty >> Gummy |
| Viscosity | - | Thin >> Viscous |
| Elasticity | - | Plastic >> Elastic |
| Adhesiveness | - | Sticky >> Tacky >> Goopy |
| Geometrical Characteristics | | |
| Class | | Examples |
| Particle size and shape | | Gritty, Grainy, Coarse, etc. |
| Particle shape and orientation | | Fibrous, Cellular, Crystalline, etc. |
| Other Characteristics | | |
| Primary Parameters | Secondary Parameters | Popular Terms |
| Moisture content | - | Dry >> Moist >> Wet >> Watery |
| Fat content | Oiliness | Oily |
| | Greasiness | Greasy |

Thai food characteristic and food sensory characteristic knowledge can be summarized into a Table for an ontology design as shown in Table-3.

Table-3. Food sensory properties for an ontology design.

| Sensory Characteristic | Sensory Property | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| Taste | 1. Sweet | 4. Bitter | 7. Capsaicin |
| | 2. Sour | 5. Umami | 8. Hot |
| | 3. Salty | 6. Astringent | |
| Flavor | 1. Citrus-Fruit | 9. Fermented-Beverage | 17. Vegetable-Cooked |
| | 2. Non-Citrus-Fruit | 10. Compounded-Beverage | 18. Fruit-Cooked |
| | 3. Fresh-Vegetable | 11. Mammal-Meat | 19. Smoky-Empyreumatic |
| | 4. Dried-Vegetable | 12. Fish-Meat | 20. Broiled, fried Empyreumatic |
| | 5. Aromatic-Spice | 13. Fowl-Meat | 21. Roasted, toasted, baked-Empyreumatic |
| | 6. Lachrymatory-Spice | 14. Vegetable-Fat | 22. Fermented-Stench |
| | 7. Hot-Spice | 15. Animal-Fat | 23. Oxidized-Stench |
| | 8. Unfermented-Beverage | 16. Broth-Cooked | |
| Texture | 1. Brittleness | 3. Gumminess | 5. Oiliness |
| | 2. Chewiness | 4. Creaminess | 6. Viscosity |



Table-3 contains three sensory characteristics which are used for knowledge inference in the proposed ontology. Taste sensory characteristic includes astringent, capsaicin and hot since they are general words that are frequently used for describing food taste in Thai ingredient by Thai cookery book. Flavor sensory characteristic covers all subdivisions from Fisher and Scott (1997).

Texture sensory characteristic in this work applies the mechanical characteristic from Szczesniak (1963) by excluding some characteristics because this work has attention on texture for mastication. Cohesiveness is a coverage property to clarify the ingredient texture which is frequently seen for ingredient explanation on the ingredient cook book. Viscosity texture is needed because this property is an advantage to tell which ingredient is solid or liquid. In other words, if an ingredient has a non-viscosity value, the ingredient is not a liquid ingredient. Creamy and oily are words which use to describe taste properties in Thai food but both words are sensory properties to describe fat containing. Thus, this work appends creaminess (creamy) as a texture property as same as oiliness (oily). Geometrical characteristics are not excluded in the texture sensory characteristic because this characteristic may be transformed by cutting or assembly process. Moisture content is also excluded

because it has too technical meanings and is rarely seen on ingredient explanation by cookery books.

KNOWLEDGE CAPTURE BY ONTOLOGY

Main concepts in the ontology design are Ingredient, Dish and Thai Ingredient Group. A subclass of Ingredient class is an ingredient category based on the Cook'sBook of Ingredient. Instances in "Ingredient" class are the basic components of ontology. For examples, the instances in Ingredient class are Lime Juice, Green Mango, Green Apple, etc. Subclasses of Dish class are Thai dish types such as Dipping, Fried, Grilled, Roasted, Salad, Side-dish, Soup, Steamed, and Stir-fried. Instances in "Dish" class are Tom Yum Kung, Nam Prik Kapi, etc. Instances in "Thai Ingredient Group" class are ingredients which are inferred from rule bases. This research considers sensory property as the datatype property of Ingredient class in the ontology. Since ingredient has different level of flavor and taste as see in ingredient explanation such as "Kale has slightly bitter", "Hyssop has strong aroma flavor" then the words "Strong and Slightly" are also using to describe flavor and taste level. The sensory property will take an advantage for comparison by "Built-in" interoperation of SWRL (W3C, 2004). An example of ingredients and their sensory properties is shown in Table-4.

Table-4. Examples of ingredients and their sensory properties.

| Ingredient | Sensory Property | | |
|-------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| | <i>has flavor</i> | <i>has taste</i> | <i>has texture</i> |
| Kaffir lime juice | strong citrus fruit | strong sour | thin liquid |
| Lime juice | strong citrus fruit | strong sour | thin liquid |
| Green Apple | strong non-citrus fruit | strong sour, slightly sweet | crunchy, chewy |
| Green Mango | slightly non-citrus fruit | strong sour, slightly sweet | crunchy, chewy |

Moreover, the relations between dishes and ingredients are needed because the same ingredient may have different using purposes and sensory property requirements in different dishes. In other words, an ingredient might be able to substitute another ingredient in one dish, but it could not substitute the former ingredient in other dishes. For example, Green Mango can substitute Lime Juice in a dish "Nam Prik Kapi", but Green Mango cannot substitute Lime Juice in a dish "Tom Yum Kung", because the dish "Tom Yum Kung" is soup which requires sour seasoning from a liquid soluble ingredient.

The sensory property requirements of ingredients comprise three levels which are all demands, some demands, and no demand. The requirement levels will be used for a sensory property comparison of ingredients. The "all demands" level means all sensory properties in the same sensory characteristic of a rare ingredient must be equivalent to another substituted ingredient. The "some

demands" level means at least one sensory property of the rare ingredient must be equivalent to the substituted ingredient. The "no demand" level means the sensory property ignored for ingredient substitution. An example of sensory property requirements is illustrated in Table-5.

Table-5 shows a dish "Tom Yum Kung" requires all sensory properties in the taste and texture characteristics from an ingredient "Lime juice", while "Nam Prik Kapi" requires only some sensory properties in the taste characteristic from the Lime Juice. Therefore, the ingredient "Green Mango" cannot substitute "Lime Juice" in the dish "Tom Yum Kung" because texture properties of both ingredients are not all the same. On the other hand, "Green Mango" can substitute "Lime Juice" in the dish "Nam Prik Kapi" because texture properties of Lime Juice do not need in this dish and also some taste properties of both ingredients is equivalent.



Table-5. Examples of sensory property requirement in each ingredient of different dishes.

| Dish | Ingredient | | Sensory Requirement | | |
|---------------|------------|---------------|---------------------|--------------|-------------|
| | Name | Using Purpose | Flavor | Taste | Texture |
| Tom Yum Kung | Lime Juice | Seasoning | no demand | all demands | all demands |
| Nam Prik Kapi | Lime Juice | Seasoning | no demand | some demands | no demand |

In Figure-1, an example of ingredient sensory property comparison is presented. However, the ingredient substitution must consider the different sensory requirement of each ingredient in each dish as discussed above.

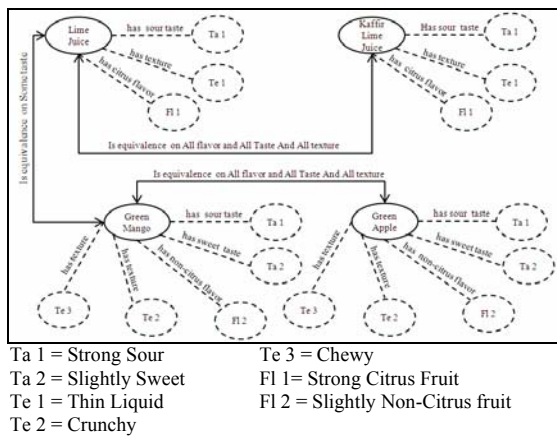


Figure-1. Examples of ingredient sensory comparison.

This research considers creating another class, except Dish and Ingredient classes to keep those inferred ingredients. The new class called “Thai Ingredient Group” aims to keep ingredients inferred by the sensory equivalence based on sensory property requirements of each ingredient in each dish. This class has 4 subclasses based on using purposes of Thai ingredients

KNOWLEDGE INFERENCE BY SWRL

Semantic Web Rule Language (SWRL) is a rule language of the Semantic Web which contains antecedent (body) and consequent (head). Meaning is "whenever the conditions specified in the antecedent hold, the conditions specified in the consequent must also hold" (W3C, 2004). This article does not describe more details about SWRL but it will show how it applies the SWRL in this research. The SWRL is applied in this research for ingredient substitution. A set of rule bases has divided into 7 main groups for different purposes as follows: 1) Rule bases to dispose sensory properties of ingredients, 2) Rule bases to infer the similarity of ingredient shapes after their shape transformation, 3) Rule bases to infer proper ingredients by considering a cooking-and-assembly method, 4) Rule base to infer using purposes of ingredients, 5) Rule bases to infer equivalence relations among sensory properties of ingredients, 6) Rule bases to infer sensory requirements of each ingredient in each dish, and 7) Rule bases to infer

rare ingredient substitution based on the sensory property requirements. More details of these rule sets are described below.

Set 1: Rule bases to dispose sensory properties of ingredients:

The proposed model designs sensory properties of ingredients as the datatype property of Ingredient class in the food ontology. A value of sensory property is a string consisting of popular terms such as Strong-Sour, Slightly-Sour, Strong-Aromatic-Spice, Crunchy, and Tender. This work constructs a comparison method using Close World Assumption, and then each ingredient needs to be filled-in all datatype properties to calculate the equivalence relations among ingredient properties. For example, “Lime Juice has strong-sour taste but has not sweet taste, and Lime Juice has strong-citrus-fruit flavor but has not aromatic-spice flavor, and Lime Juice has thin liquid texture but has not brittleness texture”, therefore relations between Lime Juice and its properties are shown as Figure-2.

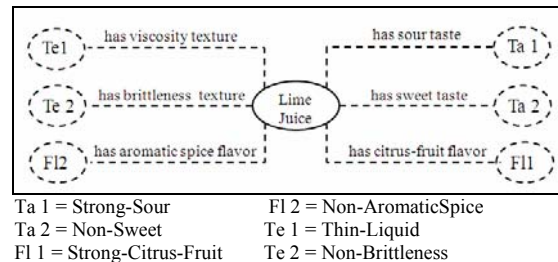


Figure-2. Examples of ingredients and its datatype properties.

Rule bases to dispose the sensory properties of each ingredient will benefit the proposed model to compare some sensory properties among ingredients. For example, if two ingredients have the same “hasTaste” property, they have at least one equivalence relation. It implies that both ingredients have some taste properties that are equivalent. An example rule of sensory disposition is shown below.

Set 1 Example Rule: Ingredient(?a) □ hasTaste-Sour(?a, ?taste) □ swrlb:notEqual(?taste, "Non-Sour") → hasTaste(?a, "Sour")



Set 1 Example rule means that “If sour taste value of ingredient (? a) does not equal to Non-Sour, then infer that ingredient (? a) has taste sour”

Set 2: Rule bases to infer the similarity of ingredient shapes after transformation:

Since the ingredient shape can be transformed by a cutting or assembly process and a variety of ingredient shapes has an effect on ingredient selection for cooking dishes, the facts can imply that ingredients with the same transformable shape has an opportunity to be substituted by each other. An example rule of inferring the similarity of ingredient shapes after transformation is shown below.

Set 2 Example Rule: Ingredient(?a) □ hasOriginalShape(?a, ?shapea) □ hasAdaptableShape(?b, ?shapeb) □ swrlb:equal(?shapea, ?shapeb) → isSameShapeAs (?a, ?b)

Set 3: Rule bases to infer proper ingredients for each dish by considering a cooking-and-assembly method:

Each ingredient has different ways to cook and assemble. This rule set acts as a matching process between a cooking-and-assembly method of dish and the proper cooking-and-assembly method of ingredient which is recommended by a cookery book in order to infer proper ingredients for the dish. For example, “Lime Juice” can be used in soup and “Tom Yum Kung” is a kind of soup. This means that “Lime Juice” is a proper ingredient for “Tom Yum Kung”. An example rule of proper cooking method inference is shown below.

Set 3 Example Rule: Ingredient(?a) □ hasIngredientMethod(?a, ?m) □ Dish(?dish) □ hasDishMethod(?dish, ?m) → hasProperIngredientByCookingAndAssemblyMethod(?dish, ?a)

Set 4: Rule bases to infer using purposes of ingredients:

An ingredient can stay in two classes since each ingredient has more than one using purpose. For instance, Lemongrass can be consumed as seasoning for smell enhancer, and Lemongrass can be consumed as vegetable for a nutrition value. This rule set acts as categorizer to classify each ingredient into a using purpose group. The condition to infer the using purpose group is concerned on the sensory property requirements of ingredients. For example, if an ingredient has strong-sour taste, the ingredient is available to be a seasoning. An example rule of inferring the using purposes of ingredients is shown below.

Set 4 Example Rule: Ingredient (?a) □ hasTaste-Sour (?a, "Strong-Sour") □ isAvailableToUseAs(?a, "Seasoning") → has Function (?a, "Flavoring") □ Seasoning(?a)

Set 5: Rule bases to infer equivalence relations among sensory properties of ingredients:

These rules in this set benefit the ingredient substitution model by comparing “All” and “Some” equivalence relations among sensory properties of each ingredient. Relations of this inference comprise 26 relations. The model is designed to determine the equivalence relations of sensory properties of each ingredient based on the using purposes of ingredient. For example, if an ingredient “Green Mango” is stayed in both vegetable and seasoning groups, Green Mango must be determine the equivalence relations in both vegetable and seasoning groups as shown in Figure-3.

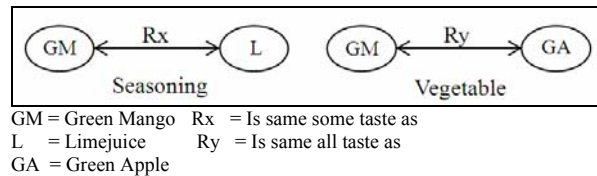


Figure-3. Equivalent relations of sensory properties of each ingredient based on its using purposes.

An example rule of inferring equivalence relations of sensory properties of each ingredient is shown below.

Set 5 Example Rule: Vegetable(?a) □ Vegetable(?b) □ hasTaste(?a, ?ta) □ hasTaste(?b, ?tb) □ swrlb:equal(?ta, ?tb) □ hasFunction(?a, ?fa) □ hasFunction(?b, ?fb) □ swrlb:equal(?fa, ?fb) → isVegetableThatEquivalenceOnSomeTaste(?a, ?b) □ isSameTasteAs(?a, ?b)

Set 6: Rule bases to infer sensory property requirements of each ingredient in each dish:

This rule sets identifies the sensory and using purpose from ingredients required in each dish. A dish has many ingredients, but each ingredient has one using purpose and various sensory property requirements. Results from this rule set are sensory property requirements of each ingredient in each dish. For example, Tom Yum Kung requires Lime Juice for sour seasoning and all taste and all texture properties from Lime Juice, but flavor properties are not required. This condition can transfer to relations between dish and ingredient as shown in Figure-4.

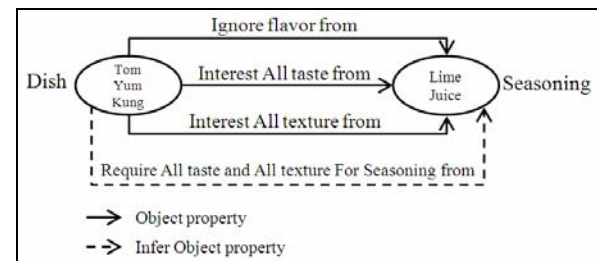


Figure-4. Sensory requirement relations between dish and ingredient.



An example rule of inferring sensory requirements of an ingredient in each dish is shown below.

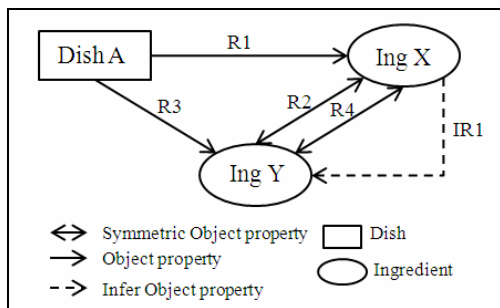
Set 6_Example Rule: Dish (? d) \wedge Seasoning (? a) \wedge IgnoreFlavorFromSeasoningIngredient(?d, ?a) \wedge InterestAllTasteFromSeasoningIngredient(?d, ?a) \wedge InterestAllTextureFromSeasoningIngredient(?d, ?a) \rightarrow RequireAllTasteAndAllTextureForSeasoningFrom(?d, ?a)

Set 7: Rule bases to infer rare ingredient substitution based on the sensory property requirements:

This rule set infers the final results for rare ingredient substitution. The condition in this set includes the proper ingredients for a dish, ingredient shapes after transformation, equivalence relations among ingredient properties, and sensory property requirements of each ingredient in each dish. The diagram of ingredient substitution is shown in Figure-5.

An example rule of inferring rare ingredient substitution based on each dish is shown below.

Set 7_ Example rule: Dish (? dish) \square
RequireAllTasteAndAllTextureForVegetableFrom(?dish, ?a) \square
IsVegetableThatEquivalenceOnAllTasteAndAllTexture (?a, ?b) \square
hasProperIngredientByCookingAndAssemblyMethod (?dish, ?b) \square
isSameShapeAs(?a, ?b) \rightarrow
isSubstitutedForVegetableThatEquivalenceOnAllTasteAndAllTextureBy (?a, ?b)



R1 = Require All taste and All texture for vegetable from
R2 = Is vegetable which is equivalent on All Taste and All texture
R3 = Has a proper ingredient
R4 = Is same shape as
IR1 = Is substituted for vegetable which has All taste and All texture by

Figure-5. The example diagram of ingredient substitution.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

The preliminary evaluation of the ingredient substitution model applies Semantic Query-Enhanced Web Rule Language (SQWRL) which is an SQL-Like language to retrieve knowledge from ontology (O'Conner and Das, 2009). Suppose that a question, sample data and sensory requirements of each ingredient in each dish are assigned as follows.

Question:

What ingredient can substitute an ingredient "Lime Juice" in a dish "Tom Yum Kung"?

Sample Data:

- Lime Juice has strong sour taste, strong citrus flavor and thin liquid texture.
- Kaffir Lime Juice has strong sour taste, strong citrus flavor and thin liquid texture.
- Green Mango has strong sour and slightly sweet taste, slightly non-citrus flavor, and crunchy and chewy texture.

Sensory Requirements of each Ingredient in each Dish:

Tom Yum Kung uses Lime Juice as seasoning and requires all taste and all texture properties, but it does not require any flavor properties from Lime Juice.

The SQWRL syntax of the question is shown below, while the query result is exposed in Figure-6.

Query for Ingredient Substitution:

RequireAllTasteAndAllTextureForVegetableFrom (?dish, ?a) \square
isSubstitutedForVegetableThatSameAllTasteAndAllTextureBy (?a, ?b) \rightarrow sqwrl:select("Substitute", ?a, "in", ?dish, "by", ?b)

| [Substitute] | ?a | [in] | ?dish | [by] | ?b |
|--------------|-----------|------|------------|------|-----------------|
| Substitute | LimeJuice | in | TomYumKung | by | LimeJuice |
| Substitute | LimeJuice | in | TomYumKung | by | KaffirLimeJuice |

Figure-6. Final results of rare ingredient substitution.

Following the sensory properties requirements using the SQWRL syntax for retrieval, the query results show that Lime Juice can be substituted by Kaffir Lime Juice in Tom Yum Kung because all taste and all texture properties of both ingredients are equivalent.

CONCLUSIONS

This research proposes a knowledge acquisition model for ingredient substitution in Thai cuisine recipe. The main purpose of this research is to substitute rare ingredients using existing ingredients. The proposed model is applying the concept of domain ontology to design classes, properties of each class, and relations among these classes which are related to ingredient substitution in Thai cuisine recipe. In addition, the model applies the Semantic Web Rule Language (SWRL) for designing and embedding a set of rule bases into the domain ontology. The set of rule based is applied for discovering the existing ingredients that can substitute the rare ingredients.

The following research work exhibit several issues needed to further perform. The rule inference could support ingredient substitution for a dish of vegetarian food. The development of semantic web by adopting the proposed food ontology facilitates users to access the inference knowledge more conveniently and rapidly. The



inference knowledge could help users to substitute rare ingredients using the existing ingredients. Moreover, it helps users save money for buying out-of-season or import food ingredients which have high price and helps support the sustainable economic development because it can reduce enormous ingredient import from abroad for cooking ethnic food.

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