

Welcome! Brick Consortium Kickoff

Winter 2021

Agenda

- Intro to Brick, the Consortium, and this kickoff
- A double-click on Brick, and how it works under the hood
- The Brick Working Groups
- The Brick Roadmap
- The way forward and getting involved

What is Brick?

Brick Schema is:

- A uniform metadata schema that defines how the building data is modeled.
- Standardized semantic descriptions of the physical, logical, and virtual entities in buildings and the relationship between them.
- Focus on interoperability, not replacement of other specialized standards
- Open Source project – all development is on Github
- Initiated by researchers from the academic community in 2015.

A Brick Model is a digital representation of a building that adheres to the Brick schema.

What industry-wide customer problems does it solve?

- **Allows** owner of the built-environment to really own the data
- **Empowers** the customer to bring in the best-in-class third party applications; Manufacturer and service-provider can be different
- **Allows** third-party applications to work independent of the data silos
- **Provides** an integration “platform” for data from disparate data sources
- **Allows** for true “plug and play” even if you have multiple manufacturers’ systems in the building environment

Brick v1.2 and what's next

- Brick 1.2.0 released Feb 20th!
 - Main artifact: a schema defined in RDF – Brick.ttl
 - Typical open source project: BSD license, hosted on Github, community discusses on mailing list and then creates issues, developers create pull requests, software released through appropriate channels
 - Lots of contributors, thanks!
 - Future development will continue this way
- Also tools, datasets, and best practices documentation
- Issues to address moving forward
 - How do we grow the ecosystem and solve industry problems?
 - Standards exist over decades, how do we go that long?
 - How does a community fairly govern a standard?

Introducing the Brick Consortium

- The Brick Consortium, Inc. is a non-profit membership corporation whose purpose is to encourage the research and development of Brick Schema Specifications for the built environment and any supporting tooling, documentation, and best practices necessary to promote Brick.
- The consortium develops the Brick Schema Specifications as open source through member participation, addressing an important industry and societal need by helping to make data of the built environment interoperable.
- The consortium is made up of researchers, technology providers, integrators, and building operators, and will serve as an organization that can provide the long-term support necessary to maintain and enhance the Brick schema until 2040 and beyond.
- The consortium provides governance for the Brick Schema specifications and conformance testing protocols and provides tooling and a repository of reference models and canonical use cases.
- The consortium also funds the research of work related to Brick and the built environment and works to evangelize the use of the Brick schema. Governance and development of Brick Schema, tooling, conformance testing, and canonical use case and reference solution

Brick Consortium Membership

- Membership in the Brick Consortium is open to commercial entities, universities and non-profit research institutions, and individual academic researchers.
- Membership for commercial entities is available as a full member or a contributing member.
- A contributing member does not have a vote for the Steering Committee or can chair committees but is otherwise fully eligible to participate.
- Universities and non-profit institutions do not pay any membership fees. In some cases, individual academic researchers may join in lieu of their institution joining.
- Membership is not required to participate in the open source development efforts

Brick Development with the Consortium

- Schema development (e.g. the standard): open source development, just like today
 - New: members vote before a release, each member org get a vote
- Work happens in working groups, natural evolution of current effort
- The elected Technical Committee creates new work groups and coordinates between the groups

Agenda for today

- Brick in detail – Gabe Fierro, UC Berkeley
 - Review of Brick
 - What's new in Brick 1.2
 - How we develop Brick
 - Software to support Brick
- Brick Working Groups
 - Full organization structure and how to join
- The Brick Roadmap – a discussion
 - Specifics of Brick 1.2.1 and 1.3
 - Thinking bigger: moving the industry forward

Brick Overview and Refresher

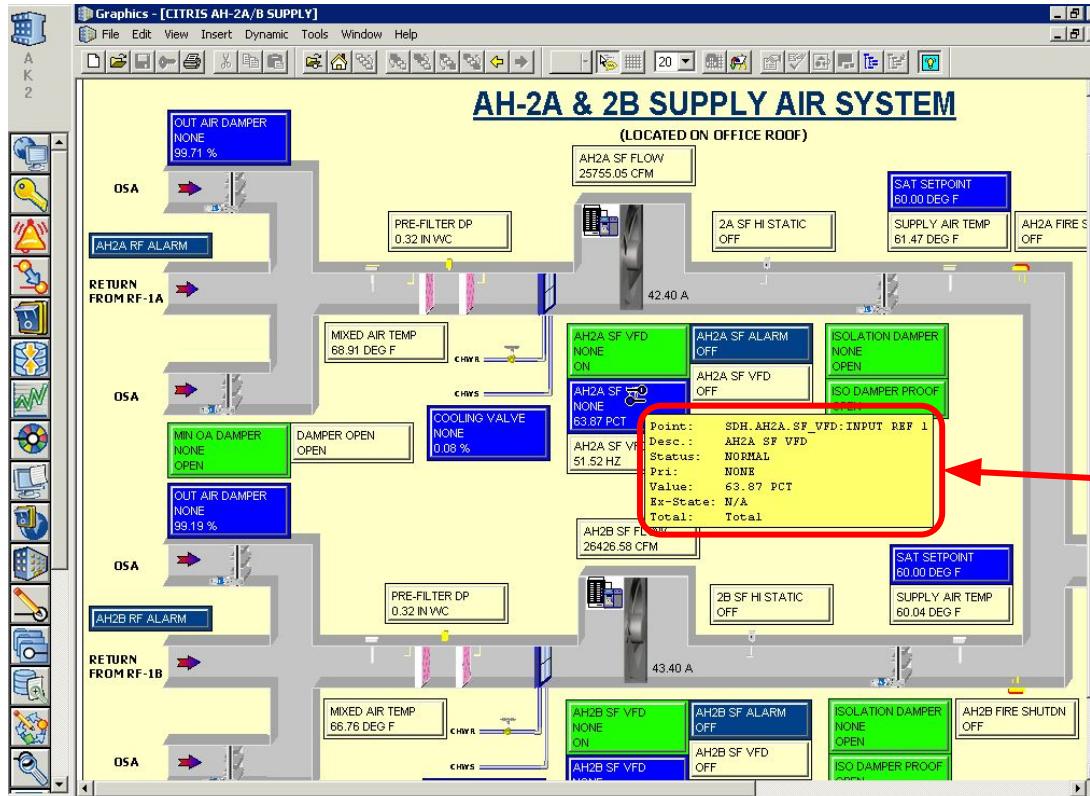
Gabe Fierro

*Working with data in buildings is **hard***

*... because there is no consistent,
machine-readable representation
of data sources and their context*

We need **semantic metadata**

State of Building Metadata



Point: a source of data from a cyberphysical system

10s or 100s of thousands of points in a typical CPS

Building Management System (BMS): the “operating system” for your building

State of Building Metadata

- Open up your **building management/automation system**, look at the point names

SODA2S14_SMK

SODA1S11_MAT

SODA3R315_RVAV

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SODA3R327_AGN

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Trunk.VAV2-4.BOXHTG

Trunk.VAV2-9.SUPFLOSP

Trunk.CentralPlant.CHWP4-S

Trunk.VAV2-7.COMMONSP

Trunk.VAV1-5.SUPFLOW

Trunk.VAV2-10.S-VP

Trunk.VAV2-3.SUPFLOSP

Trunk.VVT-4.UNOCDB

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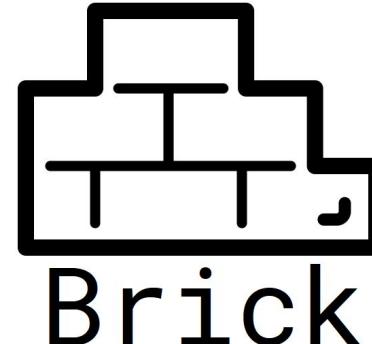
- 3 different buildings/BMS/subsystems → 3 (or more) different labeling/naming schemes

Make Working with Building Data Easier

- Most building data resides in **opaque data silos**
 - Unclear, inconsistent, hard-to-interpret labels
 - *(if you have access to it at all)*
- Existing metadata standards focus on other perspectives of the building
 - Design, construction
 - Asset management
 - Commissioning, Auditing
- Need a metadata representation designed for **data-driven building software**
 - Unlock potential of building data
 - *Preserve existing investments*

Brick Schema

- Graph-based metadata schema for smart buildings
- Capture physical, logical, virtual **entities** in buildings using a **class hierarchy**
- Capture the necessary **relationships** between them
- Use Brick to describe timeseries data and its context



<https://brickschema.org>

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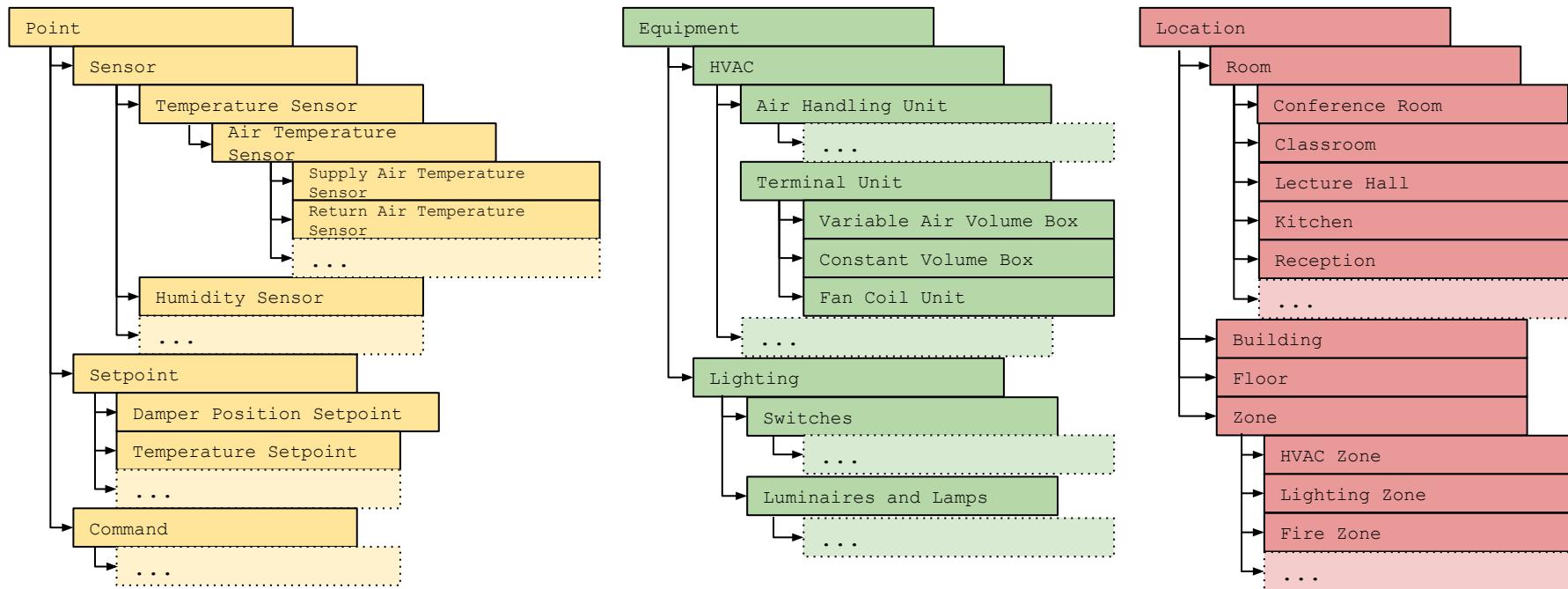
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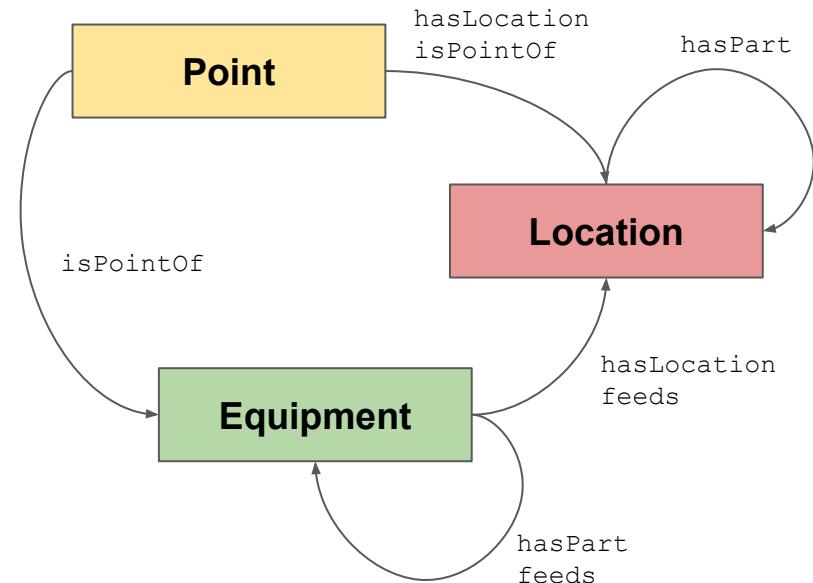
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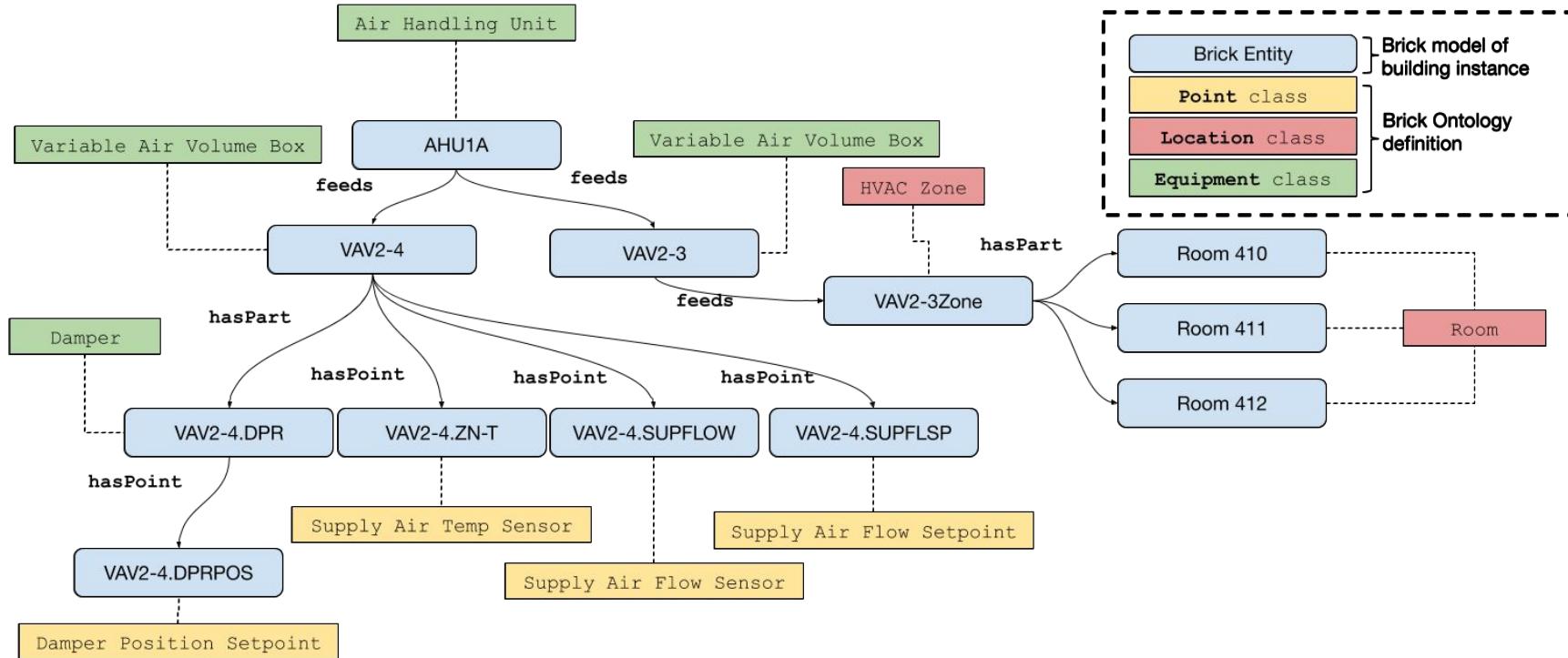
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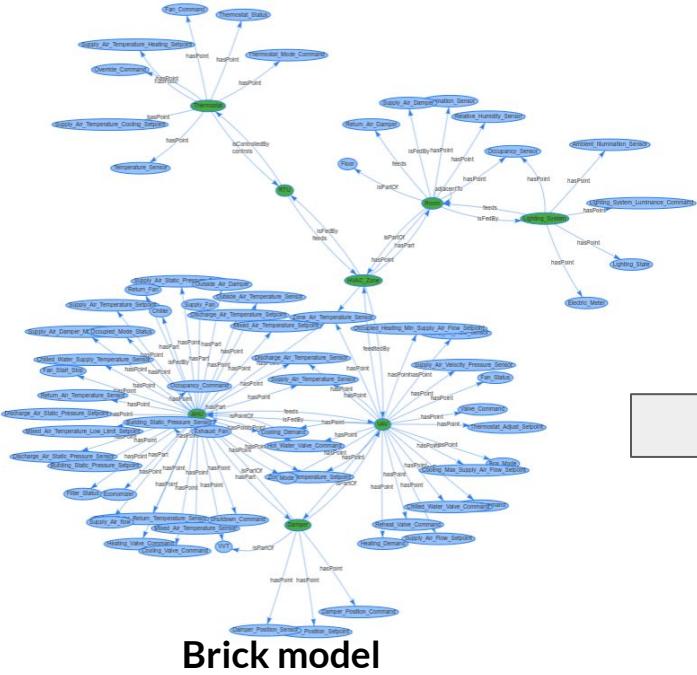
Brick Overview

- Three main concepts, each the root of their own **class hierarchy**
- **Classes** provide definition, organization to **entities**
- **Entities** are the physical, logical and virtual “things”
- **Relationships** dictate how entities correspond and relate to each other

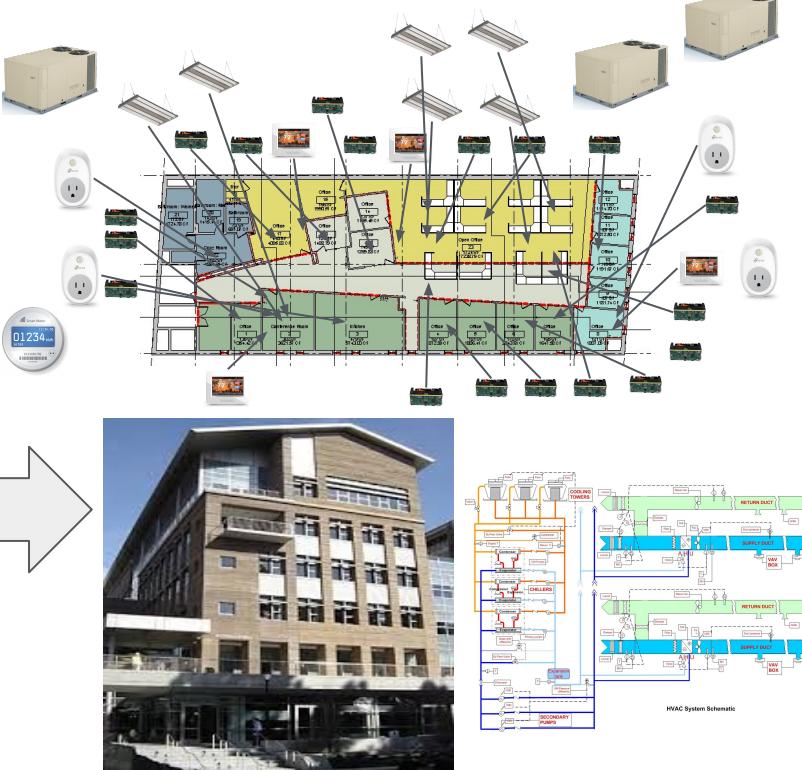




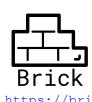
- Have a set of physical, virtual “things” and points that an application wants to refer to
- Brick defines a **hierarchical class structure** to define **standard names** for equipment, points, locations, etc
- Brick defines a set of **standard relationships** that describe how things are **connected**



represents



A **Brick** model represents the **assets** and **relationships** and **data** in a building



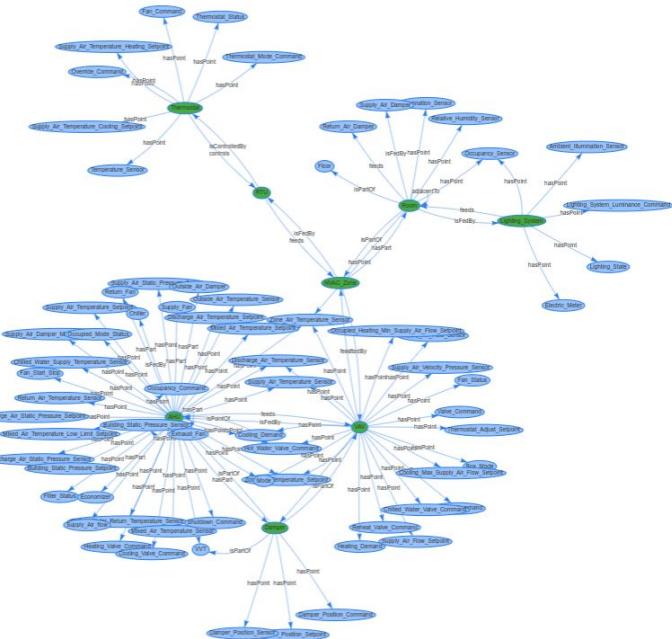
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1 SELECT ?tstat ?zone ?tstat_uri ?state_uuid ?temp_uuid ?weather_uuid FROM ciee WHERE {  
2   ?zone rdf:type brick:HVAC_Zone .  
3   ?rtu bf:feeds+ ?zone .  
4  
5   ?tstat rdf:type/rdfs:subClassOf* brick:Thermostat .  
6   ?tstat bf:controls+ ?rtu .  
7   ?tstat bf:uri ?tstat_uri .  
8  
9   ?tstat bf:hasPoint ?state .  
10  ?state rdf:type brick:Thermostat_HVAC_Operation_Status .  
11  ?state bf:uuid ?state_uuid .  
12  
13  ?tstat bf:hasPoint ?temp .  
14  ?temp rdf:type/rdfs:subClassOf* brick:Temperature_Sensor .  
15  ?temp bf:uuid ?temp_uuid .  
16  
17  ?tstat bf:hasSite ?site .  
18  ?weather_sensor bf:hasSite ?site .  
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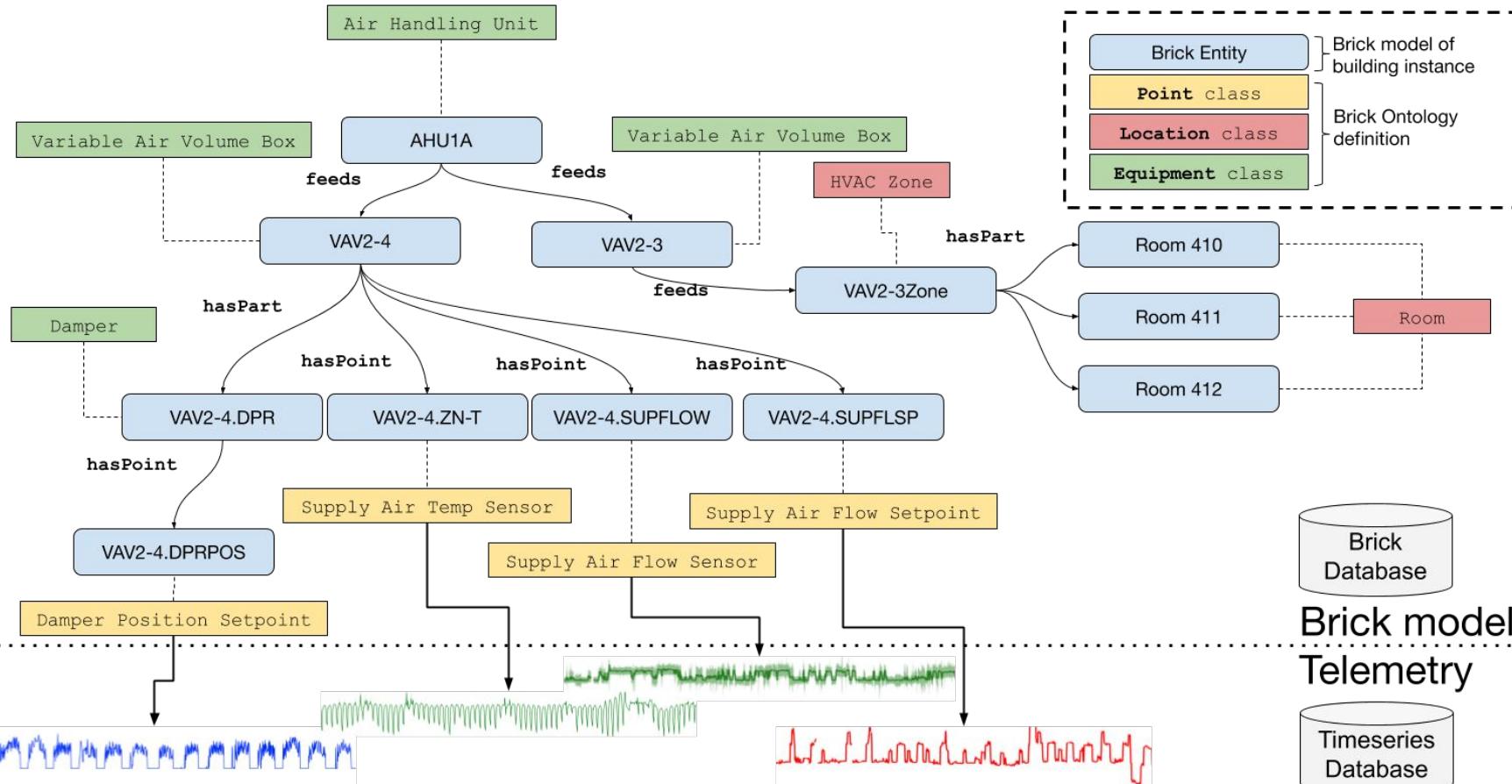
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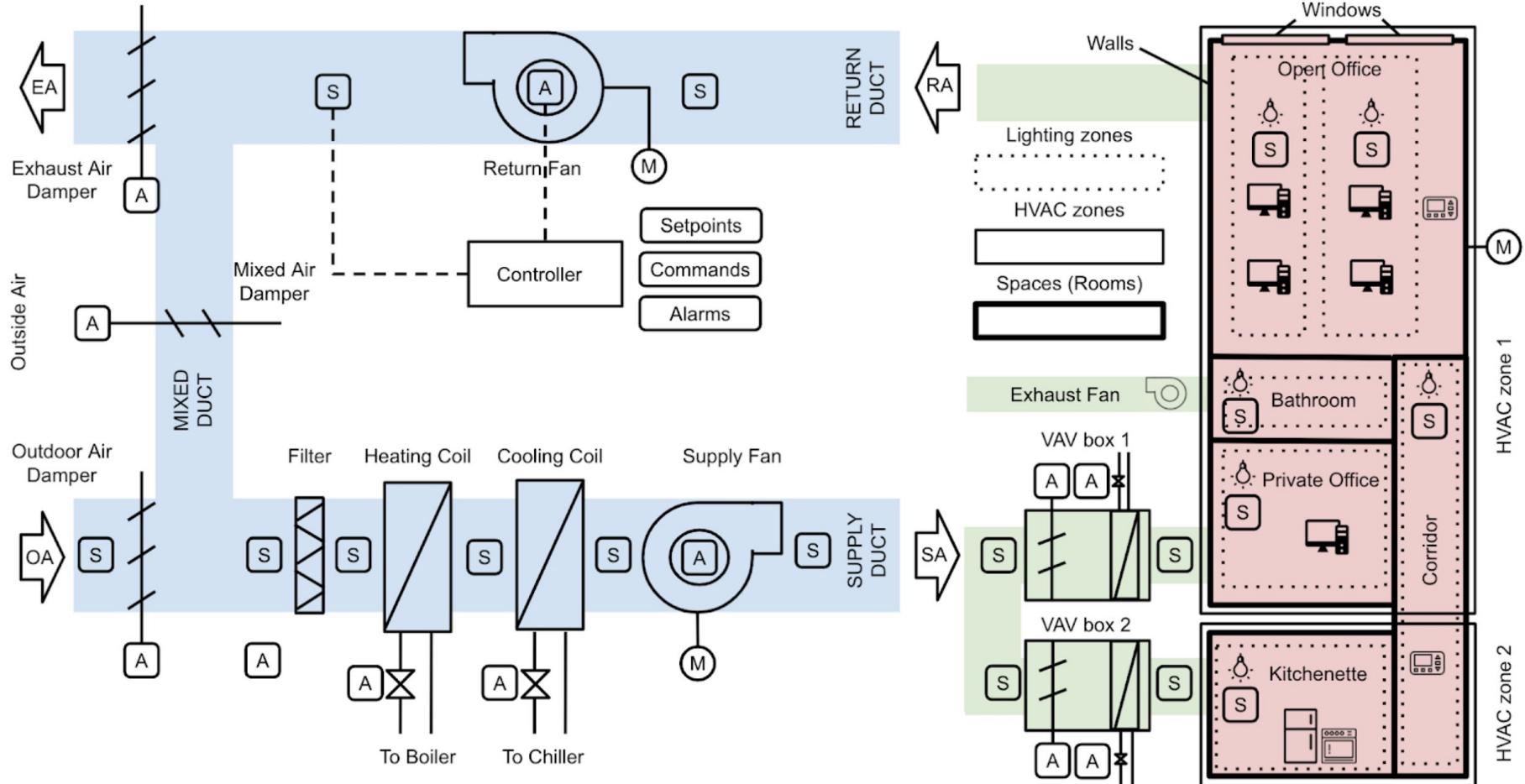


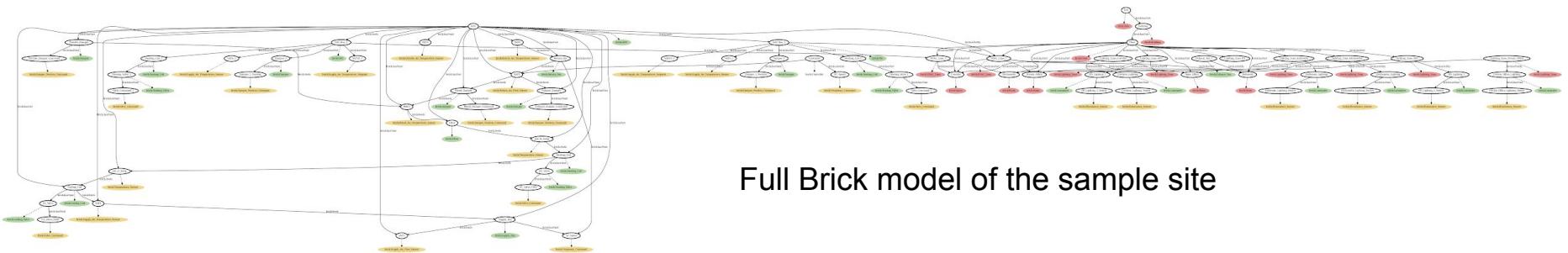
Brick model

An application **queries** a Brick model to retrieve the data + configuration it needs

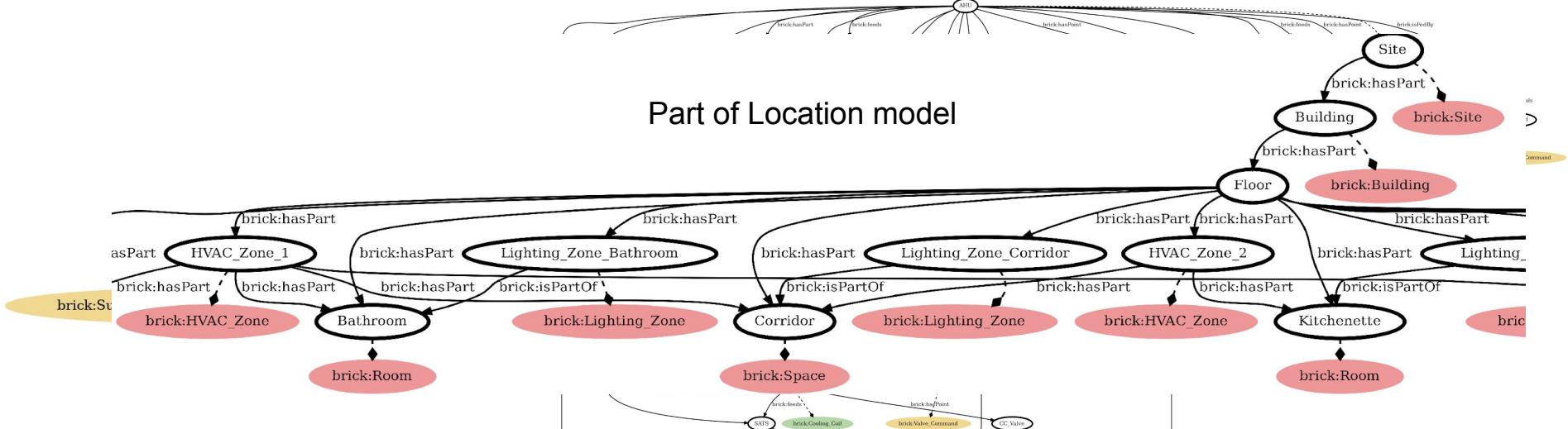


- Relate Brick Point classes to timeseries data
- Contextualize data in existing datastores

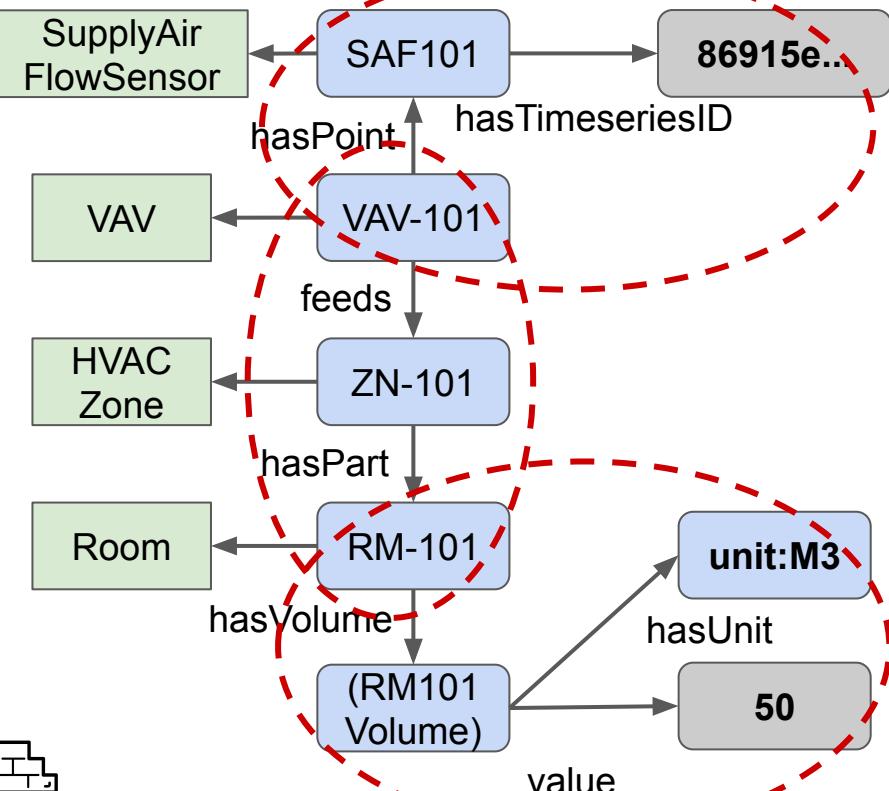




Part of Location model



Brick Query: Minimum Airflow Requirements



```
select ?saf_ref ?volume ?unit where {
```

Identify the room's VAV

```
?zone      brick:hasPart      <RM-101>.  
?zone      rdf:type          brick:HVACZone.  
?device    brick:feeds        ?zone.  
?device    rdf:type          brick:TerminalUnit.
```

Get the air flow sensor's timeseries ref.

```
?device   brick:hasPoint    ?saf.  
?saf      rdf:type          brick:AirFlowSensor.  
?saf      brick:hasTimeseriesID ?saf_ref.
```

Get the room's volume.

```
?room     brick:hasVolume   ?quantity.  
?quantity brick:value       ?volume.  
?quantity brick:hasUnit    ?unit
```

Brick Model Validation

User-defined
“templates” to
validate Brick
models

Model XYZ VAV

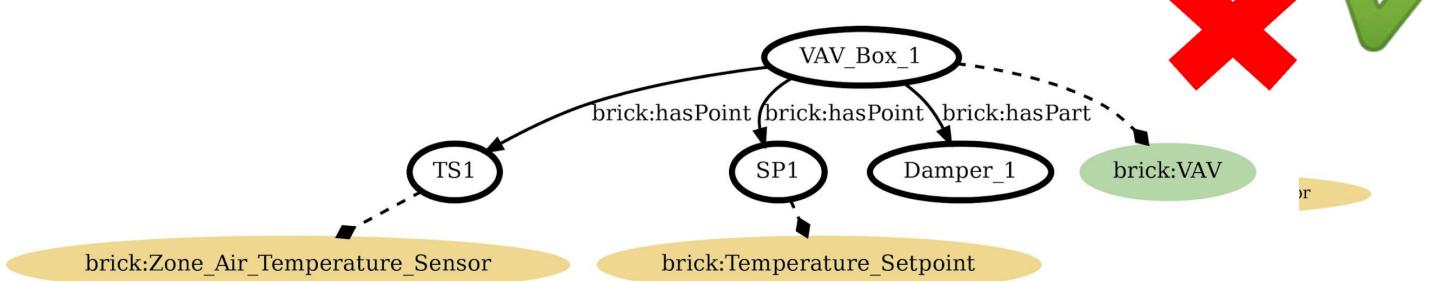
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instance of brick:VAV
1 brick:Zone_Air_Temperature_Sensor
1 brick:Temperature_Setpoint
1 model ABC damper
```

Model ABC Damper

```
instance of brick:Damper
1 brick:Damper_Position_Command
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Templates ensure that Brick models match expectations, requirements

Verify that Brick is being used correctly

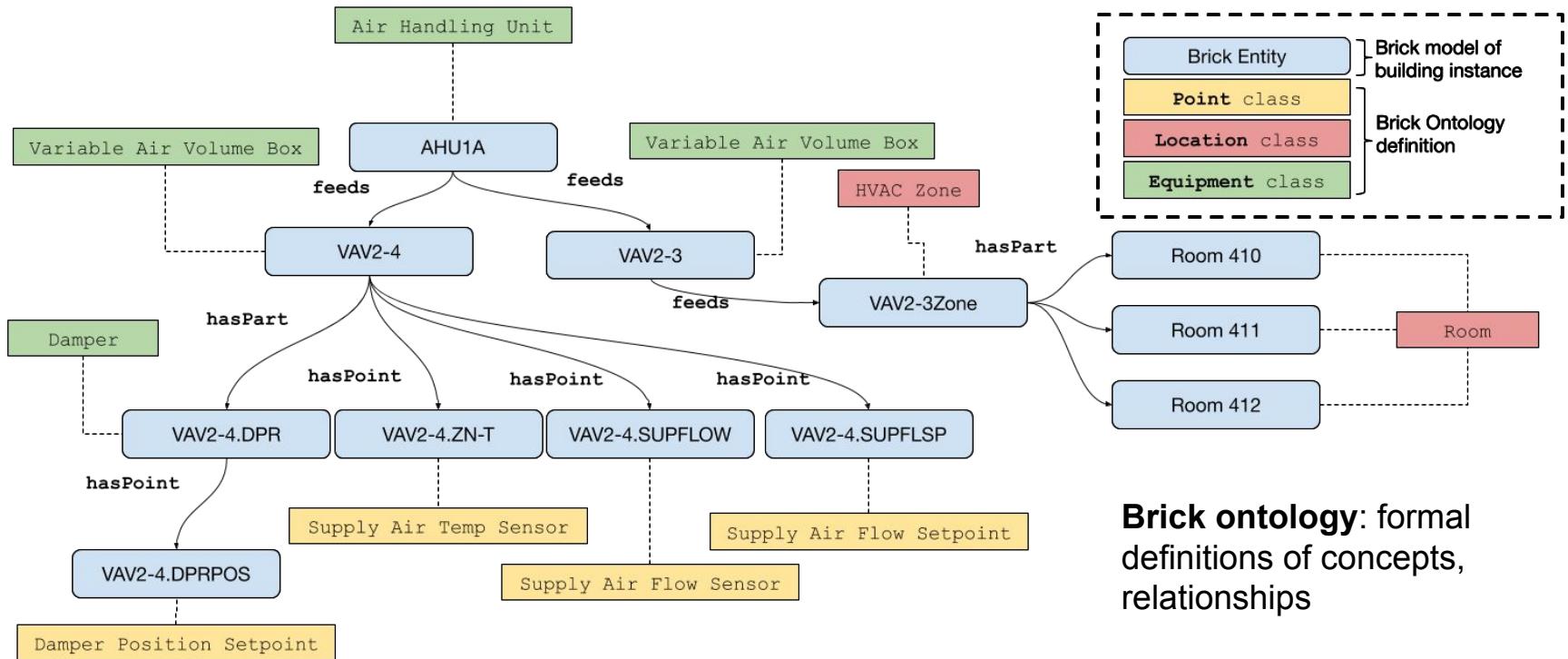


Brick Resources

- Developer-focused documentation:
 - <https://docs.brickschema.org/>
- Concept documentation:
 - <https://brickschema.org/ontology>
- Download Brick and examples:
 - <https://brickschema.org/resources>
- Python library:
 - <https://brickschema.readthedocs.io/>

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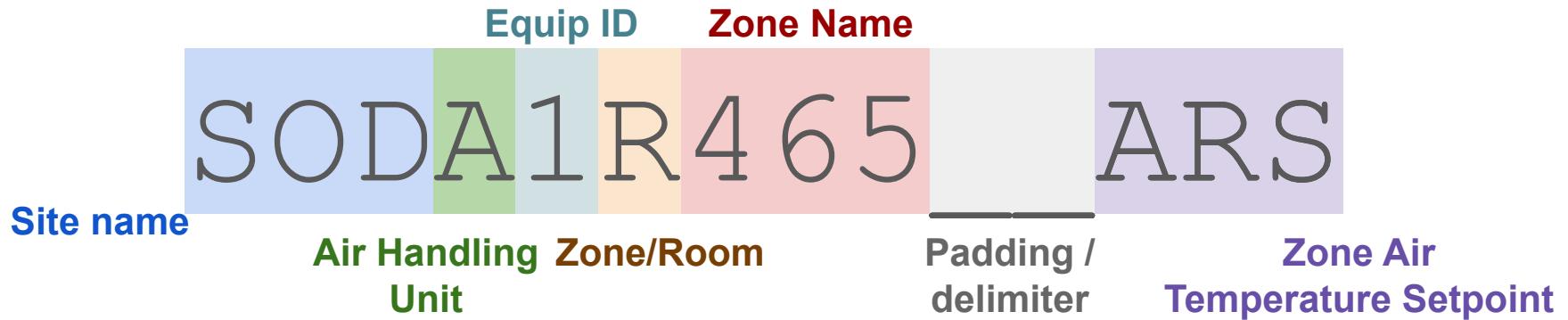
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Brick ontology: formal definitions of concepts, relationships

Brick model: the graph representing a particular building

What's in a Name?



- Labels like these often the *only* up-to-date and readily-available source of metadata
- Site-specific conventions; sometimes no labels at all
- **No consistent, standard metadata for cyberphysical system data**

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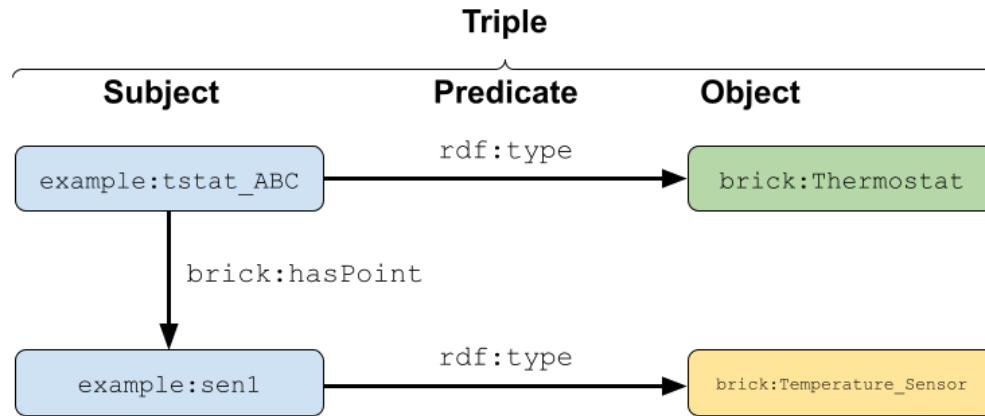
1. Brick Implementation

- The Brick Distribution
- Extending Brick

2. Brick Tooling

- `brickschema` Python package
- `brick-builder` and OpenRefine

```
example:tstat_ABC      rdf:type          brick:Thermostat ;
                        brick:hasPoint   example:sen1 .
example:sen1           rdf:type          brick:Temperature_Sensor .
```



SIMPLE BRICK CLASS

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3     rdfs:label "Temperature Sensor" ;  
4     rdfs:subClassOf [ owl:intersectionOf ( _:has_Point _:has_Sensor _:has_Temperature ) ],  
5         brick:Sensor ;  
6     owl:equivalentClass [ owl:intersectionOf ( [ a owl:Restriction ;  
7             owl:hasValue brick:Temperature ;  
8             owl:onProperty brick:measures ] ) ] ;  
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17                 }
18             }
19         }
20     }
21 }
```

EXTENDING BRICK

```
1 # bricksrc/sensor.py
2 sensor_definitions = {
3     "Sensor": {
4         "tags": [TAG.Point, TAG.Sensor],
5         "subclasses": {
6             "Temperature_Sensor": {
7                 "tags": [TAG.Point, TAG.Sensor, TAG.Temperature],
8                 "substances": [[BRICK.measures, BRICK.Temperature]],
9                 "subclasses": {
10                     "Air_Temperature_Sensor": {
11                         "tags": [TAG.Point, TAG.Sensor, TAG.Temperature, TAG.Air],
12                         "substances": [
13                             [BRICK.measures, BRICK.Temperature],
14                             [BRICK.measures, BRICK.Air],
15                         ]
16                     }
17                 }
18             }
19         }
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```

EXTENDING BRICK

How to add a Glycol Temperature Sensor

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8                 "substances": [[BRICK.measures, BRICK.Temperature]],
9                 "subclasses": {
10                     "Glycol_Temperature_Sensor": {
11                         "tags": [TAG.Point, TAG.Sensor, TAG.Temperature, TAG.Glycol],
12                         "substances": [
13                             [BRICK.measures, BRICK.Temperature],
14                             [BRICK.measures, BRICK.Glycol],
15                         ]
16                     }
17                 }
18             }
19         }
20     }
21 }
```

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How to add a Glycol Temperature Sensor

- Add textual definition to `definitions.csv`

```
1 # bricksrc/definitions.csv
2 https://brickschema.org/schema/Brick#Generator_Room, "A room for electrical equipment, specifica
3 https://brickschema.org/schema/Brick#Glycol_Temperature_Sensor, A sensor which measures the temp
4 https://brickschema.org/schema/Brick#HVAC_Equipment, See Heating_Ventilation_Air_Conditioning_Sy
```

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How to add a Glycol Temperature Sensor

- Compile using the Makefile

```
1 (venv) gabe@arkestra:~/src/Brick$ make
2 mkdir -p extensions
3 python generate_brick.py
4 Checking 58 containers
5 Non-zero exit code 1 with message b'\nAllegroGraph Server Edition 7.1.0 (rc6), built on Januar
6 Checking 58 containers
7 Non-zero exit code 1 with message b'\nAllegroGraph Server Edition 7.1.0 (rc6), built on Januar
8 2021-02-22:12:01:30,297 WARNING [generate_brick.py:296] Property 'tags' not defined for https:
9 2021-02-22:12:01:31,388 WARNING [generate_brick.py:296] Property 'tags' not defined for https:
10 2021-02-22:12:01:32,676 WARNING [generate_brick.py:519] WARNING: Close_Setpoint does not exist
11 2021-02-22:12:01:32,720 WARNING [generate_brick.py:519] WARNING: Unoccupied_Cooling_Supply_Air
12 2021-02-22:12:01:32,743 WARNING [generate_brick.py:519] WARNING: Unoccupied_Heating_Supply_Air
13 2021-02-22:12:01:32,754 WARNING [generate_brick.py:519] WARNING: Unoccupied_Heating_Discharge_
14 2021-02-22:12:01:32,771 WARNING [generate_brick.py:519] WARNING: Unoccupied_Cooling_Supply_Air
15 2021-02-22:12:01:32,793 WARNING [generate_brick.py:519] WARNING: Unoccupied_Heating_Supply_Air
```

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How to add a Glycol Temperature Sensor

- Run unit and integration tests

```
1 (venv) gabe@arkestra:~/src/Brick$ make test
2 tests/test_class_structure.py::test_subclasses PASSED
3 tests/test_conversions.py::test_queries PASSED
4 tests/test_definitions.py::test_class_definitions PASSED
5 tests/test_definitions.py::test_relationship_definitions PASSED
6 tests/test_definitions.py::test_obsolete_definitions PASSED
7 tests/test_generate_shacl.py::test_domainProperties PASSED
8 tests/test_generate_shacl.py::test_rangeProperties PASSED
9 tests/test_measures_inference.py::test_measurable_hierarchy PASSED
10 tests/test_no_inference.py::test_query_equipment PASSED
11 tests/test_no_inference.py::test_query_points PASSED
12 tests/test_no_inference.py::test_query_sensors PASSED
13 tests/test_no_inference.py::test_query_downstream_temperature PASSED
14 tests/test_no_inference.py::test_query_room_temp_sensors_ahu1 PASSED
15 tests/test_quantities.py::test_measurables_defined PASSED
```

EXTENDING BRICK

The screenshot shows a GitHub page for the 'CONTRIBUTING.md' file of the 'BrickSchema/Brick' repository. The page title is 'Submitting Changes to Brick'. It contains instructions for setting up a development environment, running tests, and committing code with pre-commit hooks. Code snippets are shown in light gray boxes.

Submitting Changes to Brick

Changes to Brick are performed through [Pull Requests](#). It is recommended that you become familiar with how to [fork a repository](#) and [create a pull request](#).

Setting up Development Environment

Brick requires Python >= 3.6. We recommend using [virtual environments](#) to manage dependencies. We use [pre-commit hooks](#) to automatically run code formatters and style checkers when you commit.

1. Check out the Brick repository (or your own fork of it)

```
git clone https://github.com/BrickSchema/Brick
cd Brick
```
2. Install the virtual environment and set up dependencies

```
# creates virtual environment
python3 -m venv venv

# activates virtual environment; do this every time you develop on Brick
source venv/bin/activate

# install dependencies
pip install -r requirements.txt

# install pre-commit hooks
pre-commit install
```
3. Run tests to make sure the build is not broken

```
make test
```
4. Whenever you commit, the `pre-commit` script will run the Black code formatting tool and the flake8 style checker. It will automatically format the code where it can, and indicate when there is a style error. **The tools will not commit unformatted code;** if you see a "Failed" message, please fix the style and re-commit the code. An example of what this looks like is below; the failed flake8 check results in a short error report at the bottom.

```
gabe@arkestra:~/src/Brick$ git commit -m 'adding changes to Alarm hierarchy'
[WARNING] Unstaged files detected.
[INFO] Stashing unstaged files to /home/gabe/.cache/pre-commit/patch1581700010.
Check Yaml.....(no files to check)Skipped
```


BRICK TOOLING: **brickschema**

```
pip install brickschema
```

Simple Python package for managing and programming against the Brick ontology

- Load, validate Brick models
- Query, update Brick models
- Simple inference support, extensions, alignments

BRICK TOOLING: brickschema

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3 g = brickschema.Graph()
4 # creates a new rdflib.Graph with a recent version
5 # of the Brick ontology preloaded.
6 g = brickschema.Graph(load_brick=True)
7 # OR use the absolute latest Brick:
8 g = brickschema.Graph(load_brick_nightly=True)
9 # OR create from an existing model
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```

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```
1 import brickschema
2 g = brickschema.Graph(load_brick=True)
3 # load in data files from your file system
4 g.load_file("mybuilding.ttl")
5 # ...or by URL
6 g.parse("https://brickschema.org/ttl/soda_brick.ttl", format="ttl")
```

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4 g.expand(profile="owlrl") # also supports 'rdfs', 'shacl', 'vbis'
5 g.expand(profile="owlrl+shacl") # create "schedules" of reasoning
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4 g.expand(profile="owlrl")
5 valid, _, resultsText = g.validate()
6 if not valid:
7     print("Graph is not valid!")
8     print(resultsText)
```

Validate the Brick ontology is being used correctly

BRICK TOOLING: brickschema

```
1 import brickschema
2 g = brickschema.Graph(load_brick=True)
3 g.load_file("mybuilding.ttl")
4 g.get_extensions()
5 # => ['shacl_tag_inference']
6 g.load_extension('shacl_tag_inference')
7 g.expand("shacl") # usually run reasoning after loading extension
8
9 g.get_alignments()
10 # => ['VBIS', 'REC', 'BOT']
11 g.load_alignment('BOT')
12 g.expand("owlrl") # usually run reasoning after loading alignment
```

Extensions and alignments add features, enable integration with other ontologies and metadata representations

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12 g.expand("owlrl") # usually run reasoning after loading alignment
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BRICK TOOLING: brickschema

```
1 import brickschema
2 g = brickschema.Graph(load_brick=True)
3 g.load_file("mybuilding.ttl")
4 # perform SPARQL queries on the graph
5 res = g.query("""SELECT ?afs ?afsp ?vav WHERE {
6     ?afs    a      brick:Air_Flow_Sensor .
7     ?afsp   a      brick:Air_Flow_Setpoint .
8     ?afs    brick:isPointOf ?vav .
9     ?afsp   brick:isPointOf ?vav .
10    ?vav   a      brick:VAV
11 }""")
12 for row in res:
13     (air_flow_sensor, air_flow_setpoint, vav) = row
14     print(row)
```

SPARQL queries retrieve parts of the Brick graph for applications

BRICK TOOLING: brickschema

```
1 import brickschema
2 g = brickschema.Graph(load_brick=True)
3 g.load_file("mybuilding.ttl")
4 g.serve()
```

Apply OWLRL Reasoning Apply RDFS Reasoning Apply SHACL Reasoning Apply Brick Tag Reasoning Apply VBIIS Reasoning

Query * +

http://localhost:8080/query

1+ PREFIX unit: <http://qudt.org/vocab/unit/>
2+ PREFIX quantitykind: <http://qudt.org/vocab/quantitykind/>
3+ PREFIX qudt: <http://qudt.org/schema/qudt/>
4+ PREFIX sh: <http://www.w3.org/ns/shacl#>
5+ PREFIX owl: <http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#>
6+ PREFIX brick: <https://brickschema.org/schema/1.1/Brick#>
7+ PREFIX rdf: <http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#>
8+ PREFIX rdfs: <http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#>
9+ SELECT * WHERE {
10 ?sensor a brick:Temperature_Sensor .
11 ?sensor brick:isPointOf ?vav .
12 ?vav a brick:VAV .
13 } LIMIT 10

Table Response 10 results in 0.106 seconds

vav	sensor
<https://brickschema.org/schema/1.0.2/building_example#vav_R310>	<https://brickschema.org/schema/1.0.2/building_example#temp_sensor_hvac_zone_R310>
<https://brickschema.org/schema/1.0.2/building_example#vav_C500A>	<https://brickschema.org/schema/1.0.2/building_example#temp_sensor_hvac_zone_C500A>
<https://brickschema.org/schema/1.0.2/building_example#vav_R179>	<https://brickschema.org/schema/1.0.2/building_example#temp_sensor_hvac_zone_R179>
<https://brickschema.org/schema/1.0.2/building_example#vav_R347>	<https://brickschema.org/schema/1.0.2/building_example#temp_sensor_hvac_zone_R347>
<https://brickschema.org/schema/1.0.2/building_example#vav_R288>	<https://brickschema.org/schema/1.0.2/building_example#temp_sensor_hvac_zone_R288>
<https://brickschema.org/schema/1.0.2/building_example#vav_C700B>	<https://brickschema.org/schema/1.0.2/building_example#temp_sensor_hvac_zone_C700B>
<https://brickschema.org/schema/1.0.2/building_example#vav_R465H>	<https://brickschema.org/schema/1.0.2/building_example#temp_sensor_hvac_zone_R465H>
<https://brickschema.org/schema/1.0.2/building_example#vav_R537>	<https://brickschema.org/schema/1.0.2/building_example#temp_sensor_hvac_zone_R537>
<https://brickschema.org/schema/1.0.2/building_example#vav_R327>	<https://brickschema.org/schema/1.0.2/building_example#temp_sensor_hvac_zone_R327>

Filter query results Page size: 50

BRICK TOOLING: brick-builder

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SODA2S14__SMK
SODA1S11__MAT
SODA3R315_RVAV
SODA3R723__ASO
SODA3R327__AGN
SODH1P02__FLT
SODA3R798__ART
SODA1R405B__ARS
SODA3R683_RVAV
SODA1R405B__ART
SODA3R311__AGN
SODH1____L_L
SODC1SP03__FLT
SODA4R645_RVAV
SODA1R288__AGN
SODA3R419__AGN
SODA3C611__ASO
SODA2S14_P__VR
SODA4S1832_STA

AHU.AHU01.CAV1-1:DMPRPOS
AHU.AHU01.CAV1-1:HTG O
AHU.AHU01.CAV1-1:SUPFLOW
AHU.AHU01.CAV1-1:ZN T
AHU.AHU01.CAV2-1:DAT
AHU.AHU01.CAV2-1:DMPRPOS
AHU.AHU01.CAV2-1:HTG O
AHU.AHU01.CAV2-1:SUPFLOW
AHU.AHU01.CAV2-1:ZN T
AHU.AHU01.CCV
AHU.AHU01.CHWHHW.UNT:CHW FLOW
AHU.AHU01.CHWHHW.UNT:HW FLOW
AHU.AHU01.Cooling Enable
AHU.AHU01.ECM
AHU.AHU01.HP.UNT:ZN T
AHU.AHU01.HSP
AHU.AHU01.LSP
AHU.AHU01.LTD
AHU.AHU01.MAX.ZONE.DAMPER
AHU.AHU01.MAX.ZONE.HEATING
AHU.AHU01.MIN OA
AHU.AHU01.Mixed Air Damper Position
AHU.AHU01.Mixed Air Temp

Trunk.VAV2-12.OCCHTGFL
Trunk.CentralPlant.HWP2-RST
Trunk.VAV2-4.BOXHTG
Trunk.VAV2-9.SUPFLOSP
Trunk.CentralPlant.CHWP4-S
Trunk.VAV2-7.COMMONSP
Trunk.VAV1-5.SUPFLOW
Trunk.VAV2-10.S-VP
Trunk.VAV2-3.SUPFLOSP
Trunk.VVT-4.UNOCDB
Trunk.VAV2-10.BOXHTG
Trunk.VVT-5.ZN-T
Trunk.CentralPlant.HWP2-A.Alarm1
Trunk.VVT-1.ZN-T
Trunk.VAV2-8.COMMONSP
Trunk.VAV1-1.BOXMODE
Trunk.AHU-3.MA-T

BRICK TOOLING: brick-builder

OpenRefine example [Permalink](#)

Facet / Filter Undo / Redo 9 / 9

Refresh Reset All Remove All

Column 1 1 change invert reset
66 choices Sort by: name count Cluster
ZONE 5199
AHU 563
EF 327
EF5-6 125
AHU2 83
EF3-4 78
AHU1 69
AHU4 66
AHU3 65
CHW 46
BSL3 37
HW 34

Column 1 3 2: change invert reset judgment
No column named Column 1 3 2

Column 1 3 2: best candidate's score change reset
No column named Column 1 3 2

5199 matching rows (6952 total)

Show as: rows records Show: 5 10 25 50 rows

	PointLabel	Column 1 1	UpstreamAHU	ZoneName	BrickClass
1754.	ZONE.AHU01.RM1-2603B.Zone Air Temp	ZONE	AHU01	RM1-2603B	Zone_Air_Temperature_Sensor Choose new match
1755.	ZONE.AHU01.RM1-2603B:REHEAT PI	ZONE	AHU01	RM1-2603B	REHEAT PI <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Point (0.333) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Create new item
1756.	ZONE.AHU01.RM1-2603B:SA CFM	ZONE	AHU01	RM1-2603B	Supply_Air_Flow_Setpoint Choose new match
1757.	ZONE.AHU01.RM1-2603B:TEMP SP	ZONE	AHU01	RM1-2603B	Temperature_Setpoint Choose new match
1758.	ZONE.AHU01.RM1-2603B:VE 1 CFM	ZONE	AHU01	RM1-2603B	VE 1 CFM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Point (0.25) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Create new item
1759.	ZONE.AHU01.RM1-3501.Zone Air Temp	ZONE	AHU01	RM1-3501	Zone_Air_Temperature_Sensor Choose new match
1760.	ZONE.AHU01.RM1-3501:REHEAT PI	ZONE	AHU01	RM1-3501	REHEAT PI <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Point (0.333) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Create new item
1761.	ZONE.AHU01.RM1-3501:TEMP SP	ZONE	AHU01	RM1-3501	Temperature_Setpoint Choose new match
1762.	ZONE.AHU01.RM1-3501:VE 1 CFM	ZONE	AHU01	RM1-3501	VE 1 CFM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Point (0.25) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Create new item
1763.	ZONE.AHU01.RM1-4501:REHEAT PI	ZONE	AHU01	RM1-4501	REHEAT PI <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Point (0.333) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Create new item
1764.	ZONE.AHU01.RM1-4501:TEMP SP	ZONE	AHU01	RM1-4501	Temperature_Setpoint Choose new match
1765.	ZONE.AHU01.RM1-4501:VE 1 CFM	ZONE	AHU01	RM1-4501	VE 1 CFM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Point (0.25) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Create new item
1766.	ZONE.AHU01.RM1-5501:REHEAT PI	ZONE	AHU01	RM1-5501	REHEAT PI <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Point (0.333) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Create new item
1767.	ZONE.AHU01.RM1-5501:TEMP SP	ZONE	AHU01	RM1-5501	Temperature_Setpoint Choose new match
1768.	ZONE.AHU01.RM1-5501:VE 1 CFM	ZONE	AHU01	RM1-5501	VE 1 CFM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Point (0.25) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Create new item

BRICK TOOLING: brick-builder

- Export parsed data to CSV files
- Write a **brick-builder template** (below)

```
brick = https://brickschema.org/schema/1.1/Brick#
rdf = http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#
bldg = http://example.org/building#

bldg:$1 rdf:type brick:VAV
bldg:$1 brick:hasPoint bldg:$2
bldg:$2 rdf:type brick:Temperature_Sensor
bldg:$1 brick:hasPoint bldg:$3
bldg:$3 rdf:type brick:Temperature_Setpoint
$4? bldg:$1 rdf:type brick:RVAV
```

BRICK TOOLING: **brick-builder**

- Builds on OpenRefine tool, Reconciliation API
- Tutorial Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LKcXMvrXzE>
- NLP-based, other inference techniques under development

Working Group 1: Schema

- What most folks think of when we say “developing Brick”
- Responsible for stewardship of the Brick Schema
- Managing Brick ontology – new classes, new properties and relationships, data modeling approaches
- Extend Brick to new domains
- Create reference models

Working Group 2: Tooling

- More software development than modeling
- Tools to make it easier to create, manage, and exchange Brick models
- Extend/rewrite research prototypes into production tools
- Examples
 - Py-brickschema
 - Brick-builder (and next-gen version from CMU)
 - “Shepherding” tool from Buildsys 2020

Working Group 3: Applications

- Probably more analytics than applications at the beginning
- “Applying” Brick
- Coordinate with Schema WG – for a given use case, what’s missing from the model?
 - Similarly with tooling working group
- May also create “reference models”

Working Group 4: Datasets

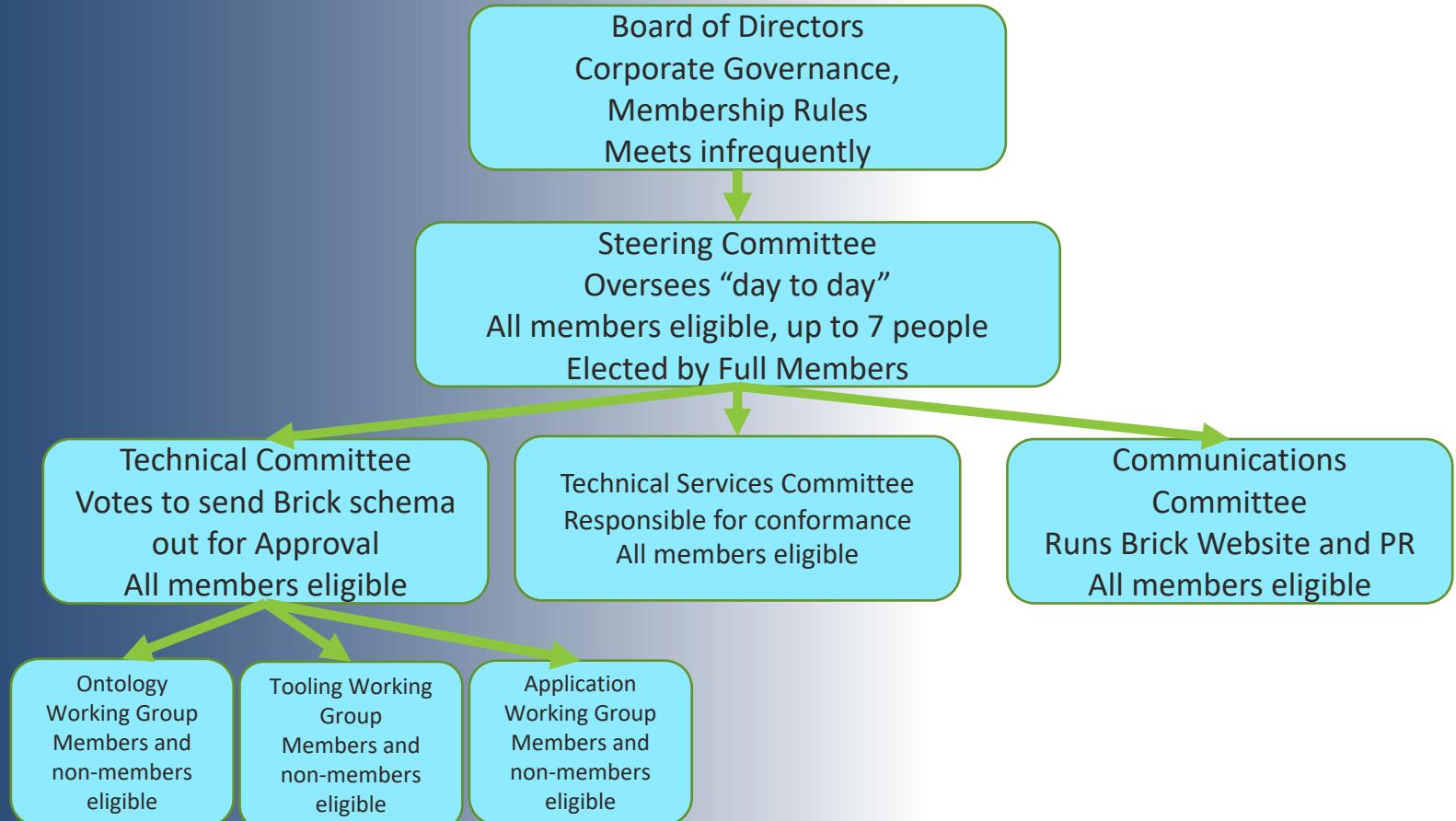
- Interest in collecting anonymized datasets of buildings
- Important for research community and important for validating schema and applications
- Work closely with tooling – a serving platform can be a reference implementation
 - Also ingestion and model creation, with one extra anonymization step

Working Groups: Next Steps

- Two other groups likely on the horizon
 - Conformance
 - Data Exchange
- Groups will kick off in March
- Please add your name to interest survey if you haven't already!
 - <https://groups.google.com/g/brickschema/c/OOHSCDEZwnc>

The Brick Consortium Organization

- **Steering Committee:** Sets rules and membership fee, approves new “technical areas” for Brick to work on
 - Has a role in IP consideration
- **Technical Committee:** Responsible for creating Brick, but mostly through Working Groups. Decides when to send Schema out for a vote for release, 30 day clock for vote
- **Other Committees:** Will likely stay on-hold for the first few months



Brick and IP

- Brick Consortium takes IP and IP Disclosure very seriously. We do not want anyone to be surprised!
- Any member or participant who proposes enhancements to the Brick schema must disclose if they have relevant IP – unless they are willing to grant a “non-remunerative license” for that IP.
 - Detailed in section 5 of the membership rules –go by what that says!
 - Inspired by IETF but closes some loopholes
- Also required to disclose if you are aware of IP even if you don’t own it
- Steering Committee can approve the inclusion into the standard parts that would require a license
- Please review section 5 of the membership rules carefully

To Join Brick Consortium

- Choose appropriate membership level
- Complete Membership Form from website
- Submit 2021 dues

	Vote for Steering Committee	Chair any committee	Serve on any other committee	Vote for any other committee	2021 Membership Fee
Full Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$50,000
Institutional Member	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$0
Academic Individual Member	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$0
Contributing Member	No	No	Yes	Yes	\$5000

Brick Public Roadmap Discussion
<http://roadmap.brickschema.org/>

Brick Roadmap Discussion

- If you are a potential adopter of Brick, what do you think is important to see in Brick?
- If you are a potential adopter of Brick, what's necessary for you to get Brick into your products?
- What are you willing to work on?

Thank You