HSML Schema

## HSML & the Spatial Web

The **Spatial Web** standard aims to set the guidelines that will define the Web 3.0, a computing environment that will blur the lines between the physical and digital worlds. The Spatial Web is an evolution of the internet, where we move from a 2D environment to a 3D virtual spacethat will allow people to interact with places, things, and each other (René & Mapes, 2019). To be able to place information spatially and contextually, we require a detailed map that explains how all the different data is related to each other in the system. This is where the **Hyperspace Modeling Language (HSML)** comes into play. HSMLis a multi-dimensional ontology for encoding fundamental elements and the relationships between them (IEEE Computer Society, 2024). HSML does for the Spatial Web as HTML does for the WWW.

## HSML Ontology Hierarchy

This ontology is composed of different types of elements, also known as **classes**. The highest class in the hierarchy is **Entity.** Entities are the base items used across the Spatial Web in HSML, and all the other classes are subtypes of the Entity base class. These include, but are not limited to, **Activity**, **Agent**, **Contract**, **Channel**, **Credential**, **Domain**, **Hyperspace/Space**, and **Time** (IEEE Computer Society, 2024). These classes allow to mark and identify the different elements that encompass both our physical and virtual reality, their meaning and relations are represented more clearly in **Figure 1**.

The Spatial Web classes hierarchy is as follows:

* **ENTITY:** that which is perceived, known, or inferred to exist, has existed, or is anticipated to exist. Entity is the base item in the Spatial Web Ontology.
  + **ACTIVITY:** A single action or partially ordered set of actions performed by an Agent. An Activity is a specific instance of an Activity Schema that is planned or executed by an Agent. An Activity may be planned, ongoing, failed, or completed. An Activity is performed on, by, in, or with, Domains, including other Agents. An Activity is a process that can be near-instantaneous or temporally extended. Attributes of an Activity can be represented using Hyperspace Entities.
  + **CHANNEL:** A stream of HSML Entities that are related to an Activity of a specific context that does not itself warrant a Domain or hierarchy.A Channel contains HSML messages that relate to an HSML Activity. A CHANNEL may be a collection of CHANNELs, where the wider CHANNEL will contain all information from all lower CHANNELs. CHANNEL be specific to a specific ACTIVITY or ACTIVITIES. CHANNEL be specific to a specific AGENTS based on CREDENTIALS
  + **CONTRACT:** A binding agreement between two parties, especially enforceable by law, or a similar internal agreement wholly within an organization.
  + **CREDENTIAL:** A set of one or more claims made by a Domain. Examples of claims include identity of a Domain, membership in a Domain, ability of a Domain to perform an Activity.
  + **DOMAIN:** Sphere of knowledge, influence, or Activity.A Domain retains its identity over time even though its states and relations may change.There are different Domain types,
    - **AGENT:** individual domains with active states and agency. An Entity that senses, responds, and maintains a model of its environment, while performing actions to achieve its goals.
    - **Geographic:** implicitly or explicitly associated with a location
    - **Concept:** intangible concepts and abstract ideas shared by a community of users
    - **Organization:** Pertaining to membership within an entity
    - **Person:** special subtype of agent maintaining a self-sovereign identity
    - **Thing:** bounded items without agency
  + **HYPERSPACE/SPACE:** A set of ‘points’ such that, for every ordered pair of points, there is a possibly empty set of ‘paths’ from the first point to the second, and such that there is an ‘identity’ path from every point to itself.
  + **TIME:** may be a dimension in spacetime, a length of a duration, a trajectory, related to a clock. When experienced by an Agent, Time has a past, present, and future. Time is related to Hyperspace or to Activities.

Additionally, a **domain authority** is an ENTITY that is CREDENTIALED to have the ability to define within a DOMAIN the norms and terms under which CONTRACTS are created governing: actors, actions and CREDENTIALS within that DOMAIN.

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Figure 1. Map of the Entity subtypes that conform the HSML ontology.

## HSML Schema

HSML encodes these Entities in a format, e.g. JSON (IEEE Computer Society, 2024). The JSON file organizes the information in a way that follows the rules and definitions set by the HSML schema. The JSON file of each Entity created must include the context (link to hsml.jsonld schema file), a unique identifier, name, description, type (either Entity or one of the other classes in the Spatial Web ontology), links to other Entities, and properties. An example of what a simple JSON file using our schema would look like is shown in **Figure 2**. By exchanging these text files that encode the information in the same format, the data can be read and used across different platforms.

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Figure 2. Entity JSON file Example using HSML Schema.

To register the identity of any user, space, or asset on the Spatial Web, we need a globally unique “decentralized identifier” (DID) based on W3C Standards (René & Mapes, 2019). The unique identifier receives the name of **SWID** (Spatial Web Identifier). However, no SWID method exists yet, so for now a DID key method can be used to implement the HSML schema.

**Schema.org** is a collaborative website that provides a collection of shared vocabularies for marking up web content, which big companies like Google follow. Making our HSML schema compatible with Schema.org offers a variety of benefits. Among them, it facilitates the adoption by future users, who are already used to Schema.org’s structure, and it allows us to save time by drawing from existing types and properties. **Figure 3** shows the HSML Classes defined in the HSML schema context and the correspondent Schema.org types, from which each HSML class can draw existing relevant properties.

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Figure 3. HSML Ontology Classes Hierarchy and their correspondent Schema.org Types, from which they draw some properties inside the HSML Schema.

## Why is HSML Important for Us

There are three main reasons why we need to consider HSML in the context of Digital Twins interoperability:

1. We need consistency in order to achieve interoperability between digital twins. And to interact, we must speak the same language, which is HSML.
2. The Spatial Web describes a future in which we change from a 2D to a 3D view, in a both spatial and contextual approach. Thinking about the context, this is the connections with all the other elements, is also of paramount importance to Digital Twins. As we must not only define the digital twins’ 3D models but also the space they occupy, who they belong to and who has access to them and give them a unique identifier that allows them to be exchanged safely.
3. Also, one of the key features of the Spatial Web standard and HSML, is the consideration of safety and trustworthiness through its Credentials, Contracts, and Decentralized Identifiers. This regard for a safe exchange of assets is one of the things that make HSML so unique.

## HSML Schema Use Case:

To better showcase how this HSML schema comes into play, this use case shows the Entities involved when two digital twins interact with each other. **Figure 4** displays the relationship between all the elements of the example.

* Two **Organizations**, Company A and Company B, sign a **Contract** to work together on a space mission to the Moon.
* The Rover of Comp. A will be carried inside the Lander of Comp. B. (**Agents**)
* Once they reach the Moon, the Rover will leave the Lander. To make sure this **Activity** is developed without any problem, Comp. B needs to work with the model of the Lunar Rover and run some simulations.
* A **Credential** is issued by Comp. A, authorizing Comp. B users (**Person**) to have access to the 3D Model of their rover for a Period of 3 Months (**Time**).
* The model of the Lunar Rover is in Unreal, and the model of the Lander is in Omniverse; both have a Moon surface environment modelled. The **Hyperspace** must consider, the location (the Moon), and the appropriate coordinate systems and transforms needed to go from one platform to the other.
* All the messages and communications related to this Activity are carried out in a **Channel**.

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Figure 4. Use Case of HSML Schema. The diagram displays all the Entities mentioned in the Use Case and how they are related to one another to show the interaction between all the classes inside the HSML Schema in a possible real-life example.

## HSML Schema.org Types to draw properties from

For each of the HSML classes the equivalent existing Schema.org types were found to draw properties from them. Some of them have more than one option depending on the exact nature of what we are trying to represent. However, some of the properties needed to represent these entities do not exist in Schema.org, so we will also need to create our own.

* **ENTITY** – **schema:Thing** 
  + **ACTIVITY** – **schema:Action** or **schema:Event** (defined time and place)
  + **CONTRACT** – does not seem to be defined exactly like we would want it, There is **schema:Offer** (for proposed agreements or offers in a transactional context, transfer rights to an object), but it doesn't inherently include properties for tracking contract statuses like "Requested," "Executed," etc; or also **schema:Service** may be another option, but also lacks some fields.
  + **CHANNEL** – does not seem to be defined in schema, the closest matches are schema:ServiceChannel or schema:BroadcastChannel. We could create our own, although this file would just define the Kafka topics used by the users to communicate with each other. These channels/topics would especially be destined to exchange credentials, contracts, determine the duration of these, etc; not directly for access to the different Agents.
  + **CREDENTIAL** – **schema:Permit** (for licenses or permissions granted by an authority), but lacks properties like the credential category, the usage restriction, and the permit extension which may be interesting to add.
  + **DOMAIN** – it depends on the type:
    - **AGENT** – **schema:3DModel** or **schema:SoftwareApplication.** Note: Goal cannot be defined in the properties though.
    - **Geographic** – **schema:GeoShape** or **schema:Landform**
    - **Concept** – **schema:DefinedTerm**
    - **Organization** – **schema:Organization**
    - **Person** – **schema:Person**
    - **Thing** – **schema:Thing**, **schema:Product** or another, it depends on the object
  + **HYPERSPACE/SPACE** – schema:Place (for physical places) or schema:SoftwareApplication (for virtual spaces). None of them account for the association to a Domain. For this class, it is more beneficial to create our own and build on it.
  + **TIME** – **schema:Duration** (for periods of time), **schema:DateTime** (for specific timestamps), or **schema:Schedule** (for repeating or planned temporal events). Note: Time itself is a data type in schema.

## Entity

An HSML Class

**Entity**

The base item in the Spatial Web Ontology.

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| **Property** | **Expected Type** | **Description** |
| Properties from **Thing** | | |
| **additionalType** | Text  or  URL | An additional type for the item, typically used for adding more specific types from external vocabularies in microdata syntax. This is a relationship between something and a class that the thing is in. Typically the value is a URI-identified RDF class, and in this case corresponds to the use of rdf:type in RDF. Text values can be used sparingly, for cases where useful information can be added without their being an appropriate schema to reference. In the case of text values, the class label should follow the schema.org style guide. |
| **alternateName** | Text | An alias for the item. |
| **description** | Text  or TextObject | A description of the item. |
| **disambiguatingDescription** | Text | A sub property of description. A short description of the item used to disambiguate from other, similar items. Information from other properties (in particular, name) may be necessary for the description to be useful for disambiguation. |
| **identifier** | PropertyValue or  Text or  URL | The identifier property represents any kind of identifier for any kind of Thing, such as ISBNs, GTIN codes, UUIDs etc. Schema.org provides dedicated properties for representing many of these, either as textual strings or as URL (URI) links. See background notes for more details. |
| **image** | ImageObject  or URL | An image of the item. This can be a URL or a fully described ImageObject. |
| **mainEntityOfPage** | CreativeWork  or  URL | Indicates a page (or other CreativeWork) for which this thing is the main entity being described. See background notes for details.  Inverse property: mainEntity |
| **name** | Text | The name of the item. |
| **potentialAction** | Action | Indicates a potential Action, which describes an idealized action in which this thing would play an 'object' role. |
| **sameAs** | URL | URL of a reference Web page that unambiguously indicates the item's identity. E.g. the URL of the item's Wikipedia page, Wikidata entry, or official website. |
| **subjectOf** | CreativeWork  or  Event | A CreativeWork or Event about this Thing.  Inverse property: about |
| **url** | URL | URL of the item. |
| Custom Properties for **Entity** | | |
| **linkedTo** | Entity | The schema of other entities to which this entity is connected. |
| **swid** | URL | A unique identifier for objects in the Spatial Web. Currently, a DID:key generated for each Entity. |

## Activity

An HSML Class

**Entity** > **Activity**

A single action or partially ordered set of actions performed by an Agent. An Activity is a specific instance of an Activity Schema that is planned or executed by an Agent. An Activity may be planned, ongoing, failed, or completed. An Activity is performed on, by, in, or with, Domains, including other Agents. An Activity is a process that can be near-instantaneous or temporally extended. Attributes of an Activity can be represented using Hyperspace Entities.

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| **Property** | **Expected Type** | **Description** |
| Properties from **Action** | | |
| **actionProcess** | HowTo | Description of the process by which the action was performed. |
| **endTime** | DateTime  or  Time | The endTime of something. For a reserved event or service (e.g. FoodEstablishmentReservation), the time that it is expected to end. For actions that span a period of time, when the action was performed. E.g. John wrote a book from January to December. For media, including audio and video, it's the time offset of the end of a clip within a larger file.  Note that Event uses startDate/endDate instead of startTime/endTime, even when describing dates with times. This situation may be clarified in future revisions. |
| **error** | Thing | For failed actions, more information on the cause of the failure. |
| **instrument** | Thing | The object that helped the agent perform the action. E.g. John wrote a book with a pen. |
| **location** | Place  or PostalAddress or Text or VirtualLocation | The location of, for example, where an event is happening, where an organization is located, or where an action takes place. |
| **object** | Thing | The object upon which the action is carried out, whose state is kept intact or changed. Also known as the semantic roles patient, affected or undergoer (which change their state) or theme (which doesn't). E.g. John read a book. |
| **participant** | Organization  or Person | Other co-agents that participated in the action indirectly. E.g. John wrote a book with Steve. |
| **provider** | Organization  or Person | The service provider, service operator, or service performer; the goods producer. Another party (a seller) may offer those services or goods on behalf of the provider. A provider may also serve as the seller. Supersedes carrier. |
| **result** | Thing | The result produced in the action. E.g. John wrote a book. |
| **startTime** | DateTime  or Time | The startTime of something. For a reserved event or service (e.g. FoodEstablishmentReservation), the time that it is expected to start. For actions that span a period of time, when the action was performed. E.g. John wrote a book from January to December. For media, including audio and video, it's the time offset of the start of a clip within a larger file. Note that Event uses startDate/endDate instead of startTime/endTime, even when describing dates with times. This situation may be clarified in future revisions. |
| **target** | EntryPoint  or URL | Indicates a target EntryPoint, or url, for an Action. |
| Custom Properties for **Activity** | | |
| **activityHasInstance** | Activity | Used to indicate smaller activities that are instances of the current activity. |
| **activityIsInstanceOf** | Activity | Used to indicate a greater activity of which this activity is an instance of. |
| **activityStatus** | Text | Indicates the current status or disposition of the activity. For example, planned, in progress, completed or failed. |
| **actor** | Agent or Person or  Organization | The direct performer or driver of the action (animate or inanimate). |
| **collaborator** | Domain | The domain (usually an Agent) with whose help this activity is performed. |
| **condition** | Text | It can be an initial condition (defined using variables), intermediate conditions or end conditions that define the activity. |
| **goal** | Text | The desired state or outcome of the Activity. |
| **hasContract** | Contract | The contract under which the activity is performed. |
| **monitoredBy** | Organization or Person | Organization or person in charge of monitoring and overseeing the Activity. |
| **openVariables** | Text | Variables that define the activity performed. |
| **performedOn** | Agent or  Geographic or  Thing | The domain (whether geographic, a thing or an agent) on or in which the activity is performed. |

## Channel

An HSML Class

**Entity** > **Channel**

A Channel contains HSML messages that relate to an HSML Activity.

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| **Property** | **Expected Type** | **Description** |
| Properties from **Service** | | |
| **areaServed** | AdministrativeArea  or GeoShape  or Place  or Text | The geographic area where a service or offered item is provided. Supersedes serviceArea. |
| **audience** | Audience | An intended audience, i.e. a group for whom something was created. Supersedes serviceAudience. |
| **availableChannel** | ServiceChannel | A means of accessing the service (e.g. a phone bank, a web site, a location, etc.). |
| **provider** | Organization  or Person | The service provider, service operator, or service performer; the goods producer. Another party (a seller) may offer those services or goods on behalf of the provider. A provider may also serve as the seller. Supersedes carrier. |
| Properties from **CreativeWork** | | |
| **about** | Thing | The subject matter of the content. Inverse property: subjectOf |
| **creator** | Organization  or Person | The creator/author of this CreativeWork. This is the same as the Author property for CreativeWork. |
| **hasPart** | CreativeWork | Indicates an item or CreativeWork that is part of this item, or CreativeWork (in some sense). Inverse property: isPartOf |
| **inLanguage** | Language or Text | The language of the content or performance or used in an action. Please use one of the language codes from the IETF BCP 47 standard. See also availableLanguage. Supersedes language. |
| **isPartOf** | CreativeWork  or URL | Indicates an item or CreativeWork that this item, or CreativeWork (in some sense), is part of. Inverse property: hasPart |
| **mainEntity** | Thing | Indicates the primary entity described in some page or other CreativeWork. Inverse property: mainEntityOfPage |
| Properties from **Action** | | |
| **location** | Place  or PostalAddress or Text or VirtualLocation | The location of, for example, where an event is happening, where an organization is located, or where an action takes place. |
| Properties from **EntryPoint** | | |
| **contentType** | Text | The type of content that can be shared through the channel (e.g., data stream, video, messages). |
| Custom Properties for **Channel** | | |
| **access** | Entity | The list of entities (e.g., agents, organizations) who have access to the channel |
| **channelStatus** | Text | The current status of the channel (e.g, active, inactive). |
| **durationChannel** | Time | The duration for which the channel is active or available. |
| **messageCount** | Number | The total number of messages sent inside the Channel. |
| **parentChannel** | Channel | Indicates if the channel is a sub-channel of another channel. |
| **relatedActivity** | Activity | The activity or activities that the channel is related to. |
| **streamData** | Text or URL | The real-time or recorded data associated with a Channel, capturing information about Activities, Credentials, messages, interactions, or shared content over time. |

## Contract

An HSML Class

**Entity** > **Contract**

A binding agreement between two parties, especially enforceable by law, or a similar internal agreement wholly within an organization.

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| **Property** | **Expected Type** | **Description** |
| Properties from **Service** | | |
| **areaServed** | AdministrativeArea  or GeoShape  or Place  or Text | The geographic area where a service or offered item is provided. Supersedes serviceArea. |
| **audience** | Audience | An intended audience, i.e. a group for whom something was created. Supersedes serviceAudience. |
| **category** | CategoryCode  or PhysicalActivityCategory  or Text or Thing  or URL | A category for the item. Greater signs or slashes can be used to informally indicate a category hierarchy. |
| **isRelatedTo** | Product  or Service | A pointer to another, somehow related product (or multiple products). |
| **offers** | Demand  or Offer | An offer to provide this item—for example, an offer to sell a product, rent the DVD of a movie, perform a service, or give away tickets to an event. Use businessFunction to indicate the kind of transaction offered, i.e. sell, lease, etc. This property can also be used to describe a Demand. While this property is listed as expected on a number of common types, it can be used in others. In that case, using a second type, such as Product or a subtype of Product, can clarify the nature of the offer. Inverse property: itemOffered |
| **provider** | Organization  or Person | The service provider, service operator, or service performer; the goods producer. Another party (a seller) may offer those services or goods on behalf of the provider. A provider may also serve as the seller. Supersedes carrier. |
| **serviceOutput** | Thing | The tangible thing generated by the service, e.g. a passport, permit, etc. Supersedes produces. |
| **serviceType** | GovernmentBenefitsType  or Text | The type of service being offered, e.g. veterans' benefits, emergency relief, etc. |
| **termsOfService** | Text  or URL | Human-readable terms of service documentation. |
| Custom Properties for **Contract** | | |
| **agreement** | Text | Description of the contract, describing the clauses and conditions between the signing parties. |
| **contractStatus** | Text | For tracking contract statuses like Requested, Executed, etc. |
| **forActivity** | Activity | The activity for which this contract was written. |
| **signedBy** | Organization  or Person | Parties involved in the Contract. |
| **transferRightsTo** | Agent or  Geographic or Thing | If the contract involves the transfer of rights for a particular agent, geographic domain, or another kind of object. |

## Credential

An HSML Class

**Entity** > **Credential**

A set of one or more claims made by a Domain. Examples of claims include identity of a Domain, membership in a Domain, or ability of a Domain to perform an Activity.

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| **Property** | **Expected Type** | **Description** |
| Properties from **Permit** | | |
| **issuedBy** | Organization or  Person | The organization issuing the item, for example a Permit, Ticket, or Certification. |
| **issuedThrough** | Service | The service through which the permit was granted. |
| **permitAudience** | Audience | The target audience for this permit. |
| **validFor** | Duration | The duration of validity of a permit or similar thing. |
| **validFrom** | Date  or DateTime | The date when the item becomes valid. |
| **validIn** | AdministrativeArea | The geographic area where the item is valid. Applies for example to a Permit, a Certification, or an EducationalOccupationalCredential. |
| **validUntil** | Date | The date when the item is no longer valid. |
| Custom Properties for **Credential** | | |
| **accessAuthorization** | Domain or Person or Organization | Identifies the person, organization, or domain that is authorized to access a specific domain, system, or resource. |
| **accessGrant** | Boolean or Text | Indicates whether access has been granted (true/false) or describes the access status (e.g., Pending, Approved). |
| **accessLevel** | Text | Describes the level or scope of access granted (e.g., Read-only, Admin, Full Control). |
| **authorizedForDomain** | Agent or Geographic or Thing | Specifies the agent, system, or environment for which the Person or Organization is authorized. For example, to a lunar surface model, a rover, or a camera. |
| **credentialCategory** | Text | The category or type of the credential (e.g., License, Certificate, Degree). |
| **usageRestriction** | Text | Describes any restrictions on how or where the credential can be used (e.g., Valid only in the EU). |

## Domain

An HSML Class

**Entity** > **Domain**

A sphere of knowledge, influence, or Activity. A Domain retains its identity over time even though its states and relations may change. There are different Domain types, like Agent or Person.

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| **Property** | **Expected Type** | **Description** |
| Properties from **CreativeWork** | | |
| **about** | Thing | The subject matter of the content. Inverse property: subjectOf |
| **abstract** | Text | An abstract is a short description that summarizes a CreativeWork. |
| **accountablePerson** | Person | Specifies the Person that is legally accountable for the CreativeWork. |
| **archivedAt** | URL or Webpage | Indicates a page or other link involved in archival of a CreativeWork. In the case of MediaReview, the items in a MediaReviewItem may often become inaccessible, but be archived by archival, journalistic, activist, or law enforcement organizations. In such cases, the referenced page may not directly publish the content. |
| **associatedMedia** | MediaObject | A media object that encodes this CreativeWork. This property is a synonym for encoding. |
| **audience** | Audience | An intended audience, i.e. a group for whom something was created. Supersedes serviceAudience. |
| **author** | Organization  or Person | The author of this content or rating. Please note that author is special in that HTML 5 provides a special mechanism for indicating authorship via the rel tag. That is equivalent to this and may be used interchangeably. |
| **comment** | Comment | Comments, typically from users. |
| **conditionsOfAccess** | Text | Conditions that affect the availability of, or method(s) of access to, an item. Typically used for real world items such as an ArchiveComponent held by an ArchiveOrganization. This property is not suitable for use as a general Web access control mechanism. It is expressed only in natural language.  For example "Available by appointment from the Reading Room" or "Accessible only from logged-in accounts ". |
| **contentLocation** | Place | The location depicted or described in the content. For example, the location in a photograph or painting. |
| **contentReferenceTime** | DateTime | The specific time described by a creative work, for works (e.g. articles, video objects etc.) that emphasise a particular moment within an Event. |
| **contributor** | Organization  or Person | A secondary contributor to the CreativeWork or Event. |
| **copyrightHolder** | Organization  or Person | The party holding the legal copyright to the CreativeWork. |
| **copyrightNotice** | Text | Text of a notice appropriate for describing the copyright aspects of this Creative Work, ideally indicating the owner of the copyright for the Work. |
| **copyrightYear** | Number | The year during which the claimed copyright for the CreativeWork was first asserted. |
| **correction** | CorrectionComment  or Text  or URL | Indicates a correction to a CreativeWork, either via a CorrectionComment, textually or in another document. |
| **countryOfOrigin** | Country | The country of origin of something, including products as well as creative works such as movie and TV content.  In the case of TV and movie, this would be the country of the principle offices of the production company or individual responsible for the movie. For other kinds of CreativeWork it is difficult to provide fully general guidance, and properties such as contentLocation and locationCreated may be more applicable.  In the case of products, the country of origin of the product. The exact interpretation of this may vary by context and product type, and cannot be fully enumerated here. |
| **creator** | Organization  or Person | The creator/author of this CreativeWork. This is the same as the Author property for CreativeWork. |
| **creditText** | Text | Text that can be used to credit person(s) and/or organization(s) associated with a published Creative Work. |
| **dateCreated** | Date  or DateTime | The date on which the CreativeWork was created or the item was added to a DataFeed. |
| **dateModified** | Date  or DateTime | The date on which the CreativeWork was most recently modified or when the item's entry was modified within a DataFeed. |
| **datePublished** | Date  or DateTime | Date of first publication or broadcast. For example the date a CreativeWork was broadcast or a Certification was issued. |
| **digitalSourceType** | IPTCDigitalSourceEnumeration | Indicates an IPTCDigitalSourceEnumeration code indicating the nature of the digital source(s) for some CreativeWork. |
| **editor** | Person | Specifies the Person who edited the CreativeWork. |
| **encoding** | MediaObject | A media object that encodes this CreativeWork. This property is a synonym for associatedMedia. Supersedes encodings. Inverse property: encodesCreativeWork |
| **encodingFormat** | Text  or URL | Media type typically expressed using a MIME format (see IANA site and MDN reference), e.g. application/zip for a SoftwareApplication binary, audio/mpeg for .mp3 etc. In cases where a CreativeWork has several media type representations, encoding can be used to indicate each MediaObject alongside particular encodingFormat information. Unregistered or niche encoding and file formats can be indicated instead via the most appropriate URL, e.g. defining Web page or a Wikipedia/Wikidata entry. Supersedes fileFormat. |
| **expires** | Date  or DateTime | Date the content expires and is no longer useful or available. For example a VideoObject or NewsArticle whose availability or relevance is time-limited, a ClaimReview fact check whose publisher wants to indicate that it may no longer be relevant (or helpful to highlight) after some date, or a Certification the validity has expired. |
| **funder** | Organization  or Person | A person or organization that supports (sponsors) something through some kind of financial contribution. |
| **funding** | Grant | A Grant that directly or indirectly provide funding or sponsorship for this item. See also ownershipFundingInfo. Inverse property: fundedItem |
| **hasPart** | CreativeWork | Indicates an item or CreativeWork that is part of this item, or CreativeWork (in some sense). Inverse property: isPartOf |
| **inLanguage** | Language  or Text | The language of the content or performance or used in an action. Please use one of the language codes from the IETF BCP 47 standard. See also availableLanguage. Supersedes language. |
| **isBasedOn** | CreativeWork  or Product  or URL | A resource from which this work is derived or from which it is a modification or adaptation. Supersedes isBasedOnUrl. |
| **isPartOf** | CreativeWork  or URL | Indicates an item or CreativeWork that this item, or CreativeWork (in some sense), is part of.Inverse property: hasPart |
| **keywords** | DefinedTerm  or Text  or URL | Keywords or tags used to describe some item. Multiple textual entries in a keywords list are typically delimited by commas, or by repeating the property. |
| **license** | CreativeWork  or URL | A license document that applies to this content, typically indicated by URL. |
| **locationCreated** | Place | The location where the CreativeWork was created, which may not be the same as the location depicted in the CreativeWork. |
| **mainEntity** | Thing | Indicates the primary entity described in some page or other CreativeWork. Inverse property: mainEntityOfPage |
| **maintainer** | Organization  or Person | A maintainer of a Dataset, software package (SoftwareApplication), or other Project. A maintainer is a Person or Organization that manages contributions to, and/or publication of, some (typically complex) artifact. It is common for distributions of software and data to be based on "upstream" sources. When maintainer is applied to a specific version of something e.g. a particular version or packaging of a Dataset, it is always possible that the upstream source has a different maintainer. The isBasedOn property can be used to indicate such relationships between datasets to make the different maintenance roles clear. Similarly in the case of software, a package may have dedicated maintainers working on integration into software distributions such as Ubuntu, as well as upstream maintainers of the underlying work. |
| **material** | Product  or Text  or URL | A material that something is made from, e.g. leather, wool, cotton, paper. |
| **materialExtent** | QuantitativeValue  or Text | The quantity of the materials being described or an expression of the physical space they occupy. |
| **offers** | Demand  or Offer | An offer to provide this item—for example, an offer to sell a product, rent the DVD of a movie, perform a service, or give away tickets to an event. Use businessFunction to indicate the kind of transaction offered, i.e. sell, lease, etc. This property can also be used to describe a Demand. While this property is listed as expected on a number of common types, it can be used in others. In that case, using a second type, such as Product or a subtype of Product, can clarify the nature of the offer. Inverse property: itemOffered |
| **position** | Integer  or Text | The position of an item in a series or sequence of items. |
| **producer** | Organization  or Person | The person or organization who produced the work (e.g. music album, movie, TV/radio series etc.). |
| **provider** | Organization  or Person | The service provider, service operator, or service performer; the goods producer. Another party (a seller) may offer those services or goods on behalf of the provider. A provider may also serve as the seller. Supersedes carrier. |
| **publisher** | Organization  or Person | The publisher of the creative work. |
| **recordedAt** | Event | The Event where the CreativeWork was recorded. The CreativeWork may capture all or part of the event. Inverse property: recordedIn |
| **releasedEvent** | PublicationEvent | The place and time the release was issued, expressed as a PublicationEvent. |
| **schemaVersion** | Text  or URL | Indicates (by URL or string) a particular version of a schema used in some CreativeWork. This property was created primarily to indicate the use of a specific schema.org release, e.g. 10.0 as a simple string, or more explicitly via URL, https://schema.org/docs/releases.html#v10.0. There may be situations in which other schemas might usefully be referenced this way, e.g. http://dublincore.org/specifications/dublin-core/dces/1999-07-02/ but this has not been carefully explored in the community. |
| **sdDatePublished** | Date | Indicates the date on which the current structured data was generated / published. Typically used alongside sdPublisher. |
| **sdLicense** | CreativeWork  or URL | A license document that applies to this structured data, typically indicated by URL. |
| **sdPublisher** | Organization  or Person | Indicates the party responsible for generating and publishing the current structured data markup, typically in cases where the structured data is derived automatically from existing published content but published on a different site. For example, student projects and open data initiatives often re-publish existing content with more explicitly structured metadata. The sdPublisher property helps make such practices more explicit. |
| **size** | DefinedTerm  or QuantitativeValue  or SizeSpecification  or Text | A standardized size of a product or creative work, specified either through a simple textual string (for example 'XL', '32Wx34L'), a QuantitativeValue with a unitCode, or a comprehensive and structured SizeSpecification; in other cases, the width, height, depth and weight properties may be more applicable. |
| **sourceOrganization** | Organization | The Organization on whose behalf the creator was working. |
| **spatial** | Place | The "spatial" property can be used in cases when more specific properties (e.g. locationCreated, spatialCoverage, contentLocation) are not known to be appropriate. |
| **spatialCoverage** | Place | The spatialCoverage of a CreativeWork indicates the place(s) which are the focus of the content. It is a subproperty of contentLocation intended primarily for more technical and detailed materials. For example with a Dataset, it indicates areas that the dataset describes: a dataset of New York weather would have spatialCoverage which was the place: the state of New York. |
| **sponsor** | Organization  or Person | A person or organization that supports a thing through a pledge, promise, or financial contribution. E.g. a sponsor of a Medical Study or a corporate sponsor of an event. |
| **temporal** | DateTime  or Text | The "temporal" property can be used in cases where more specific properties (e.g. temporalCoverage, dateCreated, dateModified, datePublished) are not known to be appropriate. |
| **temporalCoverage** | DateTime  or Text  or URL | The temporalCoverage of a CreativeWork indicates the period that the content applies to, i.e. that it describes, either as a DateTime or as a textual string indicating a time period in ISO 8601 time interval format. In the case of a Dataset it will typically indicate the relevant time period in a precise notation (e.g. for a 2011 census dataset, the year 2011 would be written "2011/2012"). Other forms of content, e.g. ScholarlyArticle, Book, TVSeries or TVEpisode, may indicate their temporalCoverage in broader terms - textually or via well-known URL. Written works such as books may sometimes have precise temporal coverage too, e.g. a work set in 1939 - 1945 can be indicated in ISO 8601 interval format format via "1939/1945".  Open-ended date ranges can be written with ".." in place of the end date. For example, "2015-11/.." indicates a range beginning in November 2015 and with no specified final date. This is tentative and might be updated in future when ISO 8601 is officially updated. Supersedes datasetTimeInterval. |
| **text** | Text | The textual content of this CreativeWork. |
| **timeRequired** | Duration | Approximate or typical time it usually takes to work with or through the content of this work for the typical or target audience. |
| **usageInfo** | CreativeWork  or URL | The schema.org usageInfo property indicates further information about a CreativeWork. This property is applicable both to works that are freely available and to those that require payment or other transactions. It can reference additional information, e.g. community expectations on preferred linking and citation conventions, as well as purchasing details. For something that can be commercially licensed, usageInfo can provide detailed, resource-specific information about licensing options. This property can be used alongside the license property which indicates license(s) applicable to some piece of content. The usageInfo property can provide information about other licensing options, e.g. acquiring commercial usage rights for an image that is also available under non-commercial creative commons licenses. |
| **version** | Number  or Text | The version of the CreativeWork embodied by a specified resource. |
| **video** | Clip  or VideoObject | An embedded video object. |
| Properties from **Product** | | |
| **additionalProperty** | PropertyValue | A property-value pair representing an additional characteristic of the entity, e.g. a product feature or another characteristic for which there is no matching property in schema.org.  Note: Publishers should be aware that applications designed to use specific schema.org properties (e.g. https://schema.org/width, https://schema.org/color, https://schema.org/gtin13, ...) will typically expect such data to be provided using those properties, rather than using the generic property/value mechanism. |
| Custom Properties for **Domain** | | |
| **canAccess** | Domain | Specifies the Domain(s) (Agent, Organization, Person…) that are authorized to access this Domain. |
| **coordinateSystem** | Text | Specifies the type of coordinate system used in the domain (e.g., Cartesian, Spherical, Geodetic). |
| **requiresCredential** | Credential | Indicates the credential required to access or interact with this domain. |
| **platform** | Text or  URL | The name or identifier of the software platform or system to which the item belongs (e.g., Omniverse, Unreal, Unity). |
| **position** | PropertyValue | The point's location relative to a reference origin within a 3-dimensional space, defined in x,y,z coordinates. |
| **rotation** | PropertyValue | The orientation of an entity in hyperspace defined with the x, y, z coordinates |
| **spaceLocation** | Hyperspace | The space or environment where the domain exists or operates (e.g., Moon, Earth, Mars Orbit). |
| **specification** | Text | Describes the specifications, standards, or rules that define this domain. |
| **volume** | PropertyValue | The measure of the volume of an entity defined by its length, width and height dimensions. |

## Agent

An HSML Class

**Entity** > **Domain** > **Agent**

An individual domain with active states and agency. An Agent is an Entity that senses, responds, and maintains a model of its environment, while performing actions to achieve its goals.

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| **Property** | **Expected Type** | **Description** |
| Properties from 3**DModel** | | |
| **isResizable** | Boolean | Whether the 3DModel allows resizing. For example, room layout applications often do not allow 3DModel elements to be resized to reflect reality. |
| Properties from **MediaObject** | | |
| **associatedArticle** | NewsArticle | A NewsArticle associated with the Media Object. |
| **bitrate** | Text | The bitrate of the media object. |
| **contentSize** | Text | File size in (mega/kilo)bytes. |
| **contentUrl** | URL | Actual bytes of the media object, for example the image file or video file. |
| **duration** | Duration | The duration of the item (movie, audio recording, event, etc.) in ISO 8601 duration format. |
| **embedUrl** | URL | A URL pointing to a player for a specific video. In general, this is the information in the src element of an embed tag and should not be the same as the content of the loc tag. |
| **encodingFormat** | Text  or URL | Media type typically expressed using a MIME format (see IANA site and MDN reference), e.g. application/zip for a SoftwareApplication binary, audio/mpeg for .mp3 etc.  In cases where a CreativeWork has several media type representations, encoding can be used to indicate each MediaObject alongside particular encodingFormat information.  Unregistered or niche encoding and file formats can be indicated instead via the most appropriate URL, e.g. defining Web page or a Wikipedia/Wikidata entry. Supersedes fileFormat. |
| **endTime** | DateTime  or Time | The endTime of something. For a reserved event or service (e.g. FoodEstablishmentReservation), the time that it is expected to end. For actions that span a period of time, when the action was performed. E.g. John wrote a book from January to December. For media, including audio and video, it's the time offset of the end of a clip within a larger file.  Note that Event uses startDate/endDate instead of startTime/endTime, even when describing dates with times. This situation may be clarified in future revisions. |
| **height** | Distance  or QuantitativeValue | The height of the item. |
| **ineligibleRegion** | GeoShape  or Place  or Text | The ISO 3166-1 (ISO 3166-1 alpha-2) or ISO 3166-2 code, the place, or the GeoShape for the geo-political region(s) for which the offer or delivery charge specification is not valid, e.g. a region where the transaction is not allowed. See also eligibleRegion. |
| **interpretedAsClaim** | Claim | Used to indicate a specific claim contained, implied, translated or refined from the content of a MediaObject or other CreativeWork. The interpreting party can be indicated using claimInterpreter. |
| **playerType** | Text | Player type required—for example, Flash or Silverlight. |
| **productionCompany** | Organization | The production company or studio responsible for the item, e.g. series, video game, episode etc. |
| **regionsAllowed** | Place | The regions where the media is allowed. If not specified, then it's assumed to be allowed everywhere. Specify the countries in ISO 3166 format. |
| **requiresSubscription** | Boolean  or MediaSubscription | Indicates if use of the media require a subscription (either paid or free). Allowed values are true or false (note that an earlier version had 'yes', 'no'). |
| **startTime** | DateTime  or Time | The startTime of something. For a reserved event or service (e.g. FoodEstablishmentReservation), the time that it is expected to start. For actions that span a period of time, when the action was performed. E.g. John wrote a book from January to December. For media, including audio and video, it's the time offset of the start of a clip within a larger file. Note that Event uses startDate/endDate instead of startTime/endTime, even when describing dates with times. This situation may be clarified in future revisions. |
| **uploadDate** | Date  or DateTime | Date (including time if available) when this media object was uploaded to this site. |
| **width** | Distance  or QuantitativeValue | The width of the item. |
| Properties from**SoftwareApplication** | | |
| **applicationCategory** | Text  or  URL | Type of software application, e.g. 'Game, Multimedia'. |
| **applicationSubCategory** | Text  or URL | Subcategory of the application, e.g. 'Arcade Game'. |
| **availableOnDevice** | Text | Device required to run the application. Used in cases where a specific make/model is required to run the application. Supersedes device. |
| **downloadUrl** | URL | If the file can be downloaded, URL to download the binary. |
| **featureList** | Text  or URL | Features or modules provided by this application (and possibly required by other applications). |
| **memoryRequirements** | Text  or URL | Minimum memory requirements. |
| **operatingSystem** | Text | Operating systems supported (Windows 7, OS X 10.6, Android 1.6). |
| **processorRequirements** | Text | Processor architecture required to run the application (e.g. IA64). |
| **softwareRequirements** | Text  or URL | Component dependency requirements for application. This includes runtime environments and shared libraries that are not included in the application distribution package, but required to run the application (examples: DirectX, Java or .NET runtime). Supersedes requirements. |
| **storageRequirements** | Text  or URL | Storage requirements (free space required). |
| **supportingData** | DataFeed | Supporting data for a SoftwareApplication. |
| Custom Properties for **Agent** | | |
| **inControl** | Boolean | Indicates if the Agent is in control of the physics simulation during the interaction with another Agent. Allowed values are true or false. |
| **linkedActivity** | Activity | Refers to the specific activity or task that the agent is associated with, responsible for, or engaged in. |
| **mainGoal** | Text | Describes the primary objective, aim, or goal that the agent is intended to achieve. |
| **rotationWheels** | PropertyValue | Set containing the orientation of the four wheels of a rover or similar object, defined as LF, LR, RF, RR. |

## Geographic

An HSML Class

**Entity** > **Domain** > **Geographic**

A Domain implicitly or explicitly associated with a location.

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| **Property** | **Expected Type** | **Description** |
| Properties from **GeoShape** | | |
| **address** | PostalAddress  or Text | Physical address of the item. |
| **addressCountry** | Country  or Text | The country. Recommended to be in 2-letter ISO 3166-1 alpha-2 format, for example "US". For backward compatibility, a 3-letter ISO 3166-1 alpha-3 country code such as "SGP" or a full country name such as "Singapore" can also be used. |
| **box** | Text | A box is the area enclosed by the rectangle formed by two points. The first point is the lower corner, the second point is the upper corner. A box is expressed as two points separated by a space character. |
| **circle** | Text | A circle is the circular region of a specified radius centered at a specified latitude and longitude. A circle is expressed as a pair followed by a radius in meters. |
| **elevation** | Number  or Text | The elevation of a location (WGS 84). Values may be of the form 'NUMBER UNIT\_OF\_MEASUREMENT' (e.g., '1,000 m', '3,200 ft') while numbers alone should be assumed to be a value in meters. |
| **line** | Text | A line is a point-to-point path consisting of two or more points. A line is expressed as a series of two or more point objects separated by space. |
| **polygon** | Text | A polygon is the area enclosed by a point-to-point path for which the starting and ending points are the same. A polygon is expressed as a series of four or more space delimited points where the first and final points are identical. |
| **postalCode** | Text | The postal code. For example, 94043. |

## Concept

An HSML Class

**Entity** > **Domain** > **Concept**

A type of domain representing intangible concepts and abstract ideas shared by a community of users.

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| **Property** | **Expected Type** | **Description** |
| Properties from **DefinedTerm** | | |
| **inDefinedTermSet** | DefinedTermSet  or URL | A DefinedTermSet that contains this term. |
| **termCode** | Text | A code that identifies this DefinedTerm within a DefinedTermSet. |

## Organization

An HSML Class

**Entity** > **Domain** > **Organization**

A type of domain pertaining to membership within an entity. It can be mapped to **schema:Organization.**

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| **Property** | **Expected Type** | **Description** |
| Properties from **Organization** | | |
| **acceptedPaymentMethod** | LoanOrCredit  or PaymentMethod  or Text | The payment method(s) that are accepted in general by an organization, or for some specific demand or offer. |
| **actionableFeedbackPolicy** | CreativeWork  or URL | For a NewsMediaOrganization or other news-related Organization, a statement about public engagement activities (for news media, the newsroom’s), including involving the public - digitally or otherwise -- in coverage decisions, reporting and activities after publication. |
| **address** | PostalAddress  or Text | Physical address of the item. |
| **agentInteractionStatistic** | InteractionCounter | The number of completed interactions for this entity, in a particular role (the 'agent'), in a particular action (indicated in the statistic), and in a particular context (i.e. interactionService). |
| **aggregateRating** | AggregateRating | The overall rating, based on a collection of reviews or ratings, of the item. |
| **alumni** | Person | Alumni of an organization. Inverse property: alumniOf |
| **areaServed** | AdministrativeArea  or GeoShape  or Place  or Text | The geographic area where a service or offered item is provided. Supersedes serviceArea. |
| **award** | Text | An award won by or for this item. Supersedes awards. |
| **brand** | Brand  or Organization | The brand(s) associated with a product or service, or the brand(s) maintained by an organization or business person. |
| **contactPoint** | ContactPoint | A contact point for a person or organization. Supersedes contactPoints. |
| **correctionsPolicy** | CreativeWork  or URL | For an Organization (e.g. NewsMediaOrganization), a statement describing (in news media, the newsroom’s) disclosure and correction policy for errors. |
| **department** | Organization | A relationship between an organization and a department of that organization, also described as an organization (allowing different urls, logos, opening hours). For example: a store with a pharmacy, or a bakery with a cafe. |
| **dissolutionDate** | Date | The date that this organization was dissolved. |
| **diversityPolicy** | CreativeWork  or URL | Statement on diversity policy by an Organization e.g. a NewsMediaOrganization. For a NewsMediaOrganization, a statement describing the newsroom’s diversity policy on both staffing and sources, typically providing staffing data. |
| **diversityStaffingReport** | Article  or URL | For an Organization (often but not necessarily a NewsMediaOrganization), a report on staffing diversity issues. In a news context this might be for example ASNE or RTDNA (US) reports, or self-reported. |
| **duns** | Text | The Dun & Bradstreet DUNS number for identifying an organization or business person. |
| **email** | Text | Email address. |
| **employee** | Person | Someone working for this organization. Supersedes employees. |
| **ethicsPolicy** | CreativeWork  or URL | Statement about ethics policy, e.g. of a NewsMediaOrganization regarding journalistic and publishing practices, or of a Restaurant, a page describing food source policies. In the case of a NewsMediaOrganization, an ethicsPolicy is typically a statement describing the personal, organizational, and corporate standards of behavior expected by the organization. |
| **event** | Event | Upcoming or past event associated with this place, organization, or action. Supersedes events. |
| **faxNumber** | Text | The fax number. |
| **founder** | Organization  or Person | A person or organization who founded this organization. Supersedes founders. |
| **foundingDate** | Date | The date that this organization was founded. |
| **foundingLocation** | Place | The place where the Organization was founded. |
| **funder** | Organization  or Person | A person or organization that supports (sponsors) something through some kind of financial contribution. |
| **funding** | Grant | A Grant that directly or indirectly provide funding or sponsorship for this item. See also ownershipFundingInfo. Inverse property: fundedItem |
| **globalLocationNumber** | Text | The Global Location Number (GLN, sometimes also referred to as International Location Number or ILN) of the respective organization, person, or place. The GLN is a 13-digit number used to identify parties and physical locations. |
| **hasCertification** | Certification | Certification information about a product, organization, service, place, or person. |
| **hasCredential** | EducationalOccupationalCredential | A credential awarded to the Person or Organization. |
| **hasGS1DigitalLink** | URL | The GS1 digital link associated with the object. This URL should conform to the particular requirements of digital links. The link should only contain the Application Identifiers (AIs) that are relevant for the entity being annotated, for instance a Product or an Organization, and for the correct granularity. In particular, for products: A Digital Link that contains a serial number (AI 21) should only be present on instances of IndividualProduct. A Digital Link that contains a lot number (AI 10) should be annotated as SomeProduct if only products from that lot are sold, or IndividualProduct if there is only a specific product. A Digital Link that contains a global model number (AI 8013) should be attached to a Product or a ProductModel. Other item types should be adapted similarly. |
| **hasMemberProgram** | MemberProgram | MemberProgram offered by an Organization, for example an eCommerce merchant or an airline. |
| **hasMerchantReturnPolicy** | MerchantReturnPolicy | Specifies a MerchantReturnPolicy that may be applicable. Supersedes hasProductReturnPolicy. |
| **hasOfferCatalog** | OfferCatalog | Indicates an OfferCatalog listing for this Organization, Person, or Service. |
| **hasPOS** | Place | Points-of-Sales operated by the organization or person. |
| **interactionStatistic** | InteractionCounter | The number of interactions for the CreativeWork using the WebSite or SoftwareApplication. The most specific child type of InteractionCounter should be used. Supersedes interactionCount. |
| **isicV4** | Text | The International Standard of Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities (ISIC), Revision 4 code for a particular organization, business person, or place. |
| **iso6523Code** | Text | An organization identifier as defined in ISO 6523(-1). The identifier should be in the XXXX:YYYYYY:ZZZ or XXXX:YYYYYYformat. Where XXXX is a 4 digit ICD (International Code Designator), YYYYYY is an OID (Organization Identifier) with all formatting characters (dots, dashes, spaces) removed with a maximal length of 35 characters, and ZZZ is an optional OPI (Organization Part Identifier) with a maximum length of 35 characters. The various components (ICD, OID, OPI) are joined with a colon character (ASCII 0x3a). Note that many existing organization identifiers defined as attributes like leiCode (0199), duns (0060) or GLN (0088) can be expressed using ISO-6523. If possible, ISO-6523 codes should be preferred to populating vatID or taxID, as ISO identifiers are less ambiguous. |
| **keywords** | DefinedTerm  or Text  or URL | Keywords or tags used to describe some item. Multiple textual entries in a keywords list are typically delimited by commas, or by repeating the property. |
| **knowsAbout** | Text  or Thing  or URL | Of a Person, and less typically of an Organization, to indicate a topic that is known about - suggesting possible expertise but not implying it. We do not distinguish skill levels here, or relate this to educational content, events, objectives or JobPosting descriptions. |
| **knowsLanguage** | Language  or Text | Of a Person, and less typically of an Organization, to indicate a known language. We do not distinguish skill levels or reading/writing/speaking/signing here. Use language codes from the IETF BCP 47 standard. |
| **legalName** | Text | The official name of the organization, e.g. the registered company name. |
| **leiCode** | Text | An organization identifier that uniquely identifies a legal entity as defined in ISO 17442. |
| **location** | Place  or PostalAddress  or Text  or VirtualLocation | The location of, for example, where an event is happening, where an organization is located, or where an action takes place. |
| **logo** | ImageObject  or URL | An associated logo. |
| **makesOffer** | Offer | A pointer to products or services offered by the organization or person. Inverse property: offeredBy |
| **member** | Organization  or Person | A member of an Organization or a ProgramMembership. Organizations can be members of organizations; ProgramMembership is typically for individuals. Supersedes members, musicGroupMember. Inverse property: memberOf |
| **memberOf** | MemberProgramTier  or Organization  or ProgramMembership | An Organization (or ProgramMembership) to which this Person or Organization belongs. Inverse property: member |
| **naics** | Text | The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code for a particular organization or business person. |
| **nonprofitStatus** | NonprofitType | nonprofitStatus indicates the legal status of a non-profit organization in its primary place of business. |
| **numberOfEmployees** | QuantitativeValue | The number of employees in an organization, e.g. business. |
| **ownershipFundingInfo** | AboutPage  or CreativeWork  or Text  or URL | For an Organization (often but not necessarily a NewsMediaOrganization), a description of organizational ownership structure; funding and grants. In a news/media setting, this is with particular reference to editorial independence. Note that the funder is also available and can be used to make basic funder information machine-readable. |
| **owns** | OwnershipInfo  or Product | Products owned by the organization or person. |
| **parentOrganization** | Organization | The larger organization that this organization is a subOrganization of, if any. Supersedes branchOf. Inverse property: subOrganization |
| **publishingPrinciples** | CreativeWork  or URL | The publishingPrinciples property indicates (typically via URL) a document describing the editorial principles of an Organization (or individual, e.g. a Person writing a blog) that relate to their activities as a publisher, e.g. ethics or diversity policies. When applied to a CreativeWork (e.g. NewsArticle) the principles are those of the party primarily responsible for the creation of the CreativeWork. While such policies are most typically expressed in natural language, sometimes related information (e.g. indicating a funder) can be expressed using schema.org terminology. |
| **review** | Review | A review of the item. Supersedes reviews. |
| **seeks** | Demand | A pointer to products or services sought by the organization or person (demand). |
| **skills** | DefinedTerm  or Text | A statement of knowledge, skill, ability, task or any other assertion expressing a competency that is either claimed by a person, an organization or desired or required to fulfill a role or to work in an occupation. |
| **slogan** | Text | A slogan or motto associated with the item. |
| **sponsor** | Organization  or Person | A person or organization that supports a thing through a pledge, promise, or financial contribution. E.g. a sponsor of a Medical Study or a corporate sponsor of an event. |
| **subOrganization** | Organization | A relationship between two organizations where the first includes the second, e.g., as a subsidiary. See also: the more specific 'department' property. Inverse property: parentOrganization |
| **taxID** | Text | The Tax / Fiscal ID of the organization or person, e.g. the TIN in the US or the CIF/NIF in Spain. |
| **telephone** | Text | The telephone number. |
| **unnamedSourcesPolicy** | CreativeWork  or URL | For an Organization (typically a NewsMediaOrganization), a statement about policy on use of unnamed sources and the decision process required. |
| **vatID** | Text | The Value-added Tax ID of the organization or person. |

## Person

An HSML Class

**Entity** > **Domain** > **Person**

A special subtype of agent maintaining a self-sovereignidentity. It can be mapped to **schema:Person.**

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| **Property** | **Expected Type** | **Description** |
| Properties from **Person** | | |
| **additionalName** | Text | An additional name for a Person, can be used for a middle name. |
| **address** | PostalAddress  or Text | Physical address of the item. |
| **affiliation** | Organization | An organization that this person is affiliated with. For example, a school/university, a club, or a team. |
| **agentInteractionStatistic** | InteractionCounter | The number of completed interactions for this entity, in a particular role (the 'agent'), in a particular action (indicated in the statistic), and in a particular context (i.e. interactionService). |
| **alumniOf** | EducationalOrganization  or Organization | An organization that the person is an alumni of. Inverse property: alumni |
| **award** | Text | An award won by or for this item. Supersedes awards. |
| **birthDate** | Date | Date of birth. |
| **birthPlace** | Place | The place where the person was born. |
| **brand** | Brand  or Organization | The brand(s) associated with a product or service, or the brand(s) maintained by an organization or business person. |
| **callSign** | Text | A callsign, as used in broadcasting and radio communications to identify people, radio and TV stations, or vehicles. |
| **children** | Person | A child of the person. |
| **colleague** | Person  or URL | A colleague of the person. Supersedes colleagues. |
| **contactPoint** | ContactPoint | A contact point for a person or organization. Supersedes contactPoints. |
| **deathDate** | Date | Date of death. |
| **deathPlace** | Place | The place where the person died. |
| **duns** | Text | The Dun & Bradstreet DUNS number for identifying an organization or business person. |
| **email** | Text | Email address. |
| **familyName** | Text | Family name. In the U.S., the last name of a Person. |
| **faxNumber** | Text | The fax number. |
| **follows** | Person | The most generic uni-directional social relation. |
| **funder** | Organization  or Person | A person or organization that supports (sponsors) something through some kind of financial contribution. |
| **funding** | Grant | A Grant that directly or indirectly provide funding or sponsorship for this item. See also ownershipFundingInfo. Inverse property: fundedItem |
| **gender** | GenderType  or Text | Gender of something, typically a Person, but possibly also fictional characters, animals, etc. While https://schema.org/Male and https://schema.org/Female may be used, text strings are also acceptable for people who do not identify as a binary gender. The gender property can also be used in an extended sense to cover e.g. the gender of sports teams. As with the gender of individuals, we do not try to enumerate all possibilities. A mixed-gender SportsTeam can be indicated with a text value of "Mixed". |
| **givenName** | Text | Given name. In the U.S., the first name of a Person. |
| **globalLocationNumber** | Text | The Global Location Number (GLN, sometimes also referred to as International Location Number or ILN) of the respective organization, person, or place. The GLN is a 13-digit number used to identify parties and physical locations. |
| **hasCertification** | Certification | Certification information about a product, organization, service, place, or person. |
| **hasCredential** | EducationalOccupationalCredential | A credential awarded to the Person or Organization. |
| **hasOccupation** | Occupation | The Person's occupation. For past professions, use Role for expressing dates. |
| **hasOfferCatalog** | OfferCatalog | Indicates an OfferCatalog listing for this Organization, Person, or Service. |
| **hasPOS** | Place | Points-of-Sales operated by the organization or person. |
| **height** | Distance  or QuantitativeValue | The height of the item. |
| **homeLocation** | ContactPoint  or Place | A contact location for a person's residence. |
| **honorificPrefix** | Text | An honorific prefix preceding a Person's name such as Dr/Mrs/Mr. |
| **honorificSuffix** | Text | An honorific suffix following a Person's name such as M.D./PhD/MSCSW. |
| **interactionStatistic** | InteractionCounter | The number of interactions for the CreativeWork using the WebSite or SoftwareApplication. The most specific child type of InteractionCounter should be used. Supersedes interactionCount. |
| **isicV4** | Text | The International Standard of Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities (ISIC), Revision 4 code for a particular organization, business person, or place. |
| **jobTitle** | DefinedTerm  or Text | The job title of the person (for example, Financial Manager). |
| **knows** | Person | The most generic bi-directional social/work relation. |
| **knowsAbout** | Text  or Thing  or URL | Of a Person, and less typically of an Organization, to indicate a topic that is known about - suggesting possible expertise but not implying it. We do not distinguish skill levels here, or relate this to educational content, events, objectives or JobPosting descriptions. |
| **knowsLanguage** | Language  or Text | Of a Person, and less typically of an Organization, to indicate a known language. We do not distinguish skill levels or reading/writing/speaking/signing here. Use language codes from the IETF BCP 47 standard. |
| **makesOffer** | Offer | A pointer to products or services offered by the organization or person. |
|  |  | Inverse property: offeredBy |
| **memberOf** | MemberProgramTier  or Organization  or ProgramMembership | An Organization (or ProgramMembership) to which this Person or Organization belongs. Inverse property: member |
| **naics** | Text | The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code for a particular organization or business person. |
| **nationality** | Country | Nationality of the person. |
| **netWorth** | MonetaryAmount  or PriceSpecification | The total financial value of the person as calculated by subtracting assets from liabilities. |
| **owns** | OwnershipInfo  or Product | Products owned by the organization or person. |
| **parent** | Person | A parent of this person. Supersedes parents. |
| **performerIn** | Event | Event that this person is a performer or participant in. |
| **publishingPrinciples** | CreativeWork  or URL | The publishingPrinciples property indicates (typically via URL) a document describing the editorial principles of an Organization (or individual, e.g. a Person writing a blog) that relate to their activities as a publisher, e.g. ethics or diversity policies. When applied to a CreativeWork (e.g. NewsArticle) the principles are those of the party primarily responsible for the creation of the CreativeWork. While such policies are most typically expressed in natural language, sometimes related information (e.g. indicating a funder) can be expressed using schema.org terminology. |
| **relatedTo** | Person | The most generic familial relation. |
| **seeks** | Demand | A pointer to products or services sought by the organization or person (demand). |
| **sibling** | Person | A sibling of the person. Supersedes siblings. |
| **skills** | DefinedTerm or  Text | A statement of knowledge, skill, ability, task or any other assertion expressing a competency that is either claimed by a person, an organization or desired or required to fulfill a role or to work in an occupation. |
| **sponsor** | Organization  or  Person | A person or organization that supports a thing through a pledge, promise, or financial contribution. E.g. a sponsor of a Medical Study or a corporate sponsor of an event. |
| **spouse** | Person | The person's spouse. |
| **taxID** | Text | The Tax / Fiscal ID of the organization or person, e.g. the TIN in the US or the CIF/NIF in Spain. |
| **telephone** | Text | The telephone number. |
| **vatID** | Text | The Value-added Tax ID of the organization or person. |
| **weight** | QuantitativeValue | The weight of the product or person. |
| **workLocation** | ContactPoint  or Place | A contact location for a person's place of work. |
| **worksFor** | Organization | Organizations that the person works for. |

## Thing

An HSML Class

**Entity** > **Domain** > **Thing**

A type of Domain used to represent bounded items without agency. These are objects that have no goals, but that can be used or owned by other Agents to sense or perform an Activity. For example, a camera.

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| **Property** | **Expected Type** | **Description** |
| Properties from **Product** | | |
| **brand** | Brand  or Organization | The brand(s) associated with a product or service, or the brand(s) maintained by an organization or business person. |
| **category** | CategoryCode  or PhysicalActivityCategory  or Text  or Thing  or URL | A category for the item. Greater signs or slashes can be used to informally indicate a category hierarchy. |
| **color** | Text | The color of the product. |
| **depth** | Distance  or QuantitativeValue | The depth of the item. |
| **hasCertification** | Certification | Certification information about a product, organization, service, place, or person. |
| **hasEnergyConsumptionDetails** | EnergyConsumptionDetails | Defines the energy efficiency Category (also known as "class" or "rating") for a product according to an international energy efficiency standard. |
| **hasMeasurement** | QuantitativeValue | A measurement of an item, For example, the inseam of pants, the wheel size of a bicycle, the gauge of a screw, or the carbon footprint measured for certification by an authority. Usually an exact measurement, but can also be a range of measurements for adjustable products, for example belts and ski bindings. |
| **height** | Distance  or QuantitativeValue | The height of the item. |
| **keywords** | DefinedTerm  or Text  or URL | Keywords or tags used to describe some item. Multiple textual entries in a keywords list are typically delimited by commas, or by repeating the property. |
| **logo** | ImageObject  or URL | An associated logo. |
| **manufacturer** | Organization | The manufacturer of the product. |
| **material** | Product  or Text  or URL | A material that something is made from, e.g. leather, wool, cotton, paper |
| **productID** | Text | The product identifier, such as ISBN. For example: meta itemprop="productID" content="isbn:123-456-789". |
| **productionDate** | Date | The date of production of the item, e.g. vehicle. |
| **purchaseDate** | Date | The date the item, e.g. vehicle, was purchased by the current owner. |
| **releaseDate** | Date | The release date of a product or product model. This can be used to distinguish the exact variant of a product. |
| **size** | DefinedTerm  or QuantitativeValue  or SizeSpecification  or Text | A standardized size of a product or creative work, specified either through a simple textual string (for example 'XL', '32Wx34L'), a QuantitativeValue with a unitCode, or a comprehensive and structured SizeSpecification; in other cases, the width, height, depth and weight properties may be more applicable. |
| **weight** | QuantitativeValue | The weight of the product or person. |
| **width** | Distance  or QuantitativeValue | The width of the item. |
| Custom Properties for **Thing** | | |
| **owner** | Person or Organization | To specify the person or organization that has ownership over the object. |
| **usedByDomain** | Domain | To specify the Domain/-s that use this object. |

## Hyperspace

An HSML Class

**Entity** > **Hyperspace**

It represents an abstract space containing multiple domains or types of spaces. Hyperspace accounts for both physical and virtual spaces, digital twins, and Internet of Things (IoT) Entities. The focus is on organizing and navigating spatial relationships, as well as maintaining associations between different types of places.

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| **Property** | **Expected Type** | **Description** |
| Custom Properties for **Hyperspace** | | |
| **containDomain** | Domain | A list of domains (e.g., areas or subspaces) within this hyperspace, which could be physical or virtual. |
| **location** | Text or URL | The geographical or virtual location of the hyperspace (e.g., latitude/longitude or virtual coordinates). |
| **platform** | Text or  URL | The name or identifier of the software platform or system to which the item belongs (e.g., Omniverse, Unreal, Unity). |
| **position** | PropertyValue | The point's location relative to a reference origin within a 3-dimensional space, defined in x,y,z coordinates. |
| **relatedSpaces** | Hyperspace | Other spaces that are related to this hyperspace, possibly through transformations or relations. |
| **rotation** | PropertyValue | The orientation of an entity in hyperspace defined with the x, y, z coordinates |
| **spaceType** | Text | The type of space this hyperspace represents (e.g., Geographic, Graph, Virtual, Cellular). |
| **transform** | PropertyValue | The transform of a space to a different coordinate system by specifying its Position + Rotation + Scale. |
| **volume** | PropertyValue | The measure of the volume of an entity defined by its length, width and height dimensions. |

## Time

An HSML Class

**Entity** > **Time**

It may be a dimension in spacetime, a length of a duration, a trajectory, related to a clock. When experienced by an Agent, Time has a past, present, and future. Time is related to Hyperspace or to Activities.

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| **Property** | **Expected Type** | **Description** |
| Properties from **Schedule** | | |
| **byDay** | DayOfWeek  or Text | Defines the day(s) of the week on which a recurring Event takes place. May be specified using either DayOfWeek, or alternatively Text conforming to iCal's syntax for byDay recurrence rules. |
| **byMonth** | Integer | Defines the month(s) of the year on which a recurring Event takes place. Specified as an Integer between 1-12. January is 1. |
| **byMonthDay** | Integer | Defines the day(s) of the month on which a recurring Event takes place. Specified as an Integer between 1-31. |
| **byMonthWeek** | Integer | Defines the week(s) of the month on which a recurring Event takes place. Specified as an Integer between 1-5. For clarity, byMonthWeek is best used in conjunction with byDay to indicate concepts like the first and third Mondays of a month. |
| **duration** | Duration | The duration of the item (movie, audio recording, event, etc.) in ISO 8601 duration format. |
| **endDate** | Date  or DateTime | The end date and time of the item (in ISO 8601 date format). |
| **endTime** | DateTime  or Time | The endTime of something. For a reserved event or service (e.g. FoodEstablishmentReservation), the time that it is expected to end. For actions that span a period of time, when the action was performed. E.g. John wrote a book from January to December. For media, including audio and video, it's the time offset of the end of a clip within a larger file. Note that Event uses startDate/endDate instead of startTime/endTime, even when describing dates with times. This situation may be clarified in future revisions. |
| **exceptDate** | Date  or DateTime | Defines a Date or DateTime during which a scheduled Event will not take place. The property allows exceptions to a Schedule to be specified. If an exception is specified as a DateTime then only the event that would have started at that specific date and time should be excluded from the schedule. If an exception is specified as a Date then any event that is scheduled for that 24 hour period should be excluded from the schedule. This allows a whole day to be excluded from the schedule without having to itemise every scheduled event. |
| **repeatCount** | Integer | Defines the number of times a recurring Event will take place. |
| **repeatFrequency** | Duration  or Text | Defines the frequency at which Events will occur according to a schedule Schedule. The intervals between events should be defined as a Duration of time. |
| **scheduleTimezone** | Text | Indicates the timezone for which the time(s) indicated in the Schedule are given. The value provided should be among those listed in the IANA Time Zone Database. |
| **startDate** | Date  or DateTime | The start date and time of the item (in ISO 8601 date format). |
| **startTime** | DateTime  or Time | The startTime of something. For a reserved event or service (e.g. FoodEstablishmentReservation), the time that it is expected to start. For actions that span a period of time, when the action was performed. E.g. John wrote a book from January to December. For media, including audio and video, it's the time offset of the start of a clip within a larger file. Note that Event uses startDate/endDate instead of startTime/endTime, even when describing dates with times. This situation may be clarified in future revisions. |
| Custom properties for **Time** | | |
| **date** | Date | Represents a specific date. Can be a timestamp (Number), a date string (Text), or an array of date parts. |
| **day** | Number or  Text | Day of the month (1-31) or day of the week (e.g., Monday). |
| **hour** | Number | Represents the hour of the day (0-23 or 1-12, depending on format). |
| **minute** | Number | Represents the minute of an hour (0-59). |
| **month** | Number or  Text | Represents the month of the year (1-12) or the month's name (e.g., January). |
| **second** | Number | Represents the second of a minute (0-59). |
| **year** | Number | Represents the year (e.g., 2024). |

## HSML Schema Examples

#### JSON-LD Context

The *hmsl.jsonld* context file is hosted using GitHub Pages, in the following link:

<https://digital-twin-interoperability.github.io/hsml-schema-context/hsml.jsonld>

This link is to be included in the JSON files as context.

#### Entity Example

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#### Credential Example

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#### Agent Domain Example

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#### Organization Domain Example

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#### Person Domain Example

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