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Computational Lexicons, Terminologies & Ontologies

Computational Lexicons

- Language-specific information (English, Spanish, German, etc.), cover common-sense knowledge
- Cover, at best, all linguistic description levels for a lexical item but usually don't
- Undetermined towards formalization, yet electronically available

Terminologies

- Language-independent (though verbally encoded!), cover domain-specific, expert-level knowledge
- Cover lexico-semantic information only (semantic relations)
- Informal, computational issues are (usually) of no concern

Ontologies

- Language-independent, cover domain-specific, expert-level knowledge
- cover conceptual information (semantic relations, semantic integrity constraints, rules, etc.)
- Formal specifications, computational issues are a major concern
- Formal reasoning: inferences

Examples: Computational Lexicons, Terminologies & Ontologies

- Computational Lexicons
 - WordNet (English) & EuroWordNet
 - GermaNet
 - FrameNet
- (Biomedical) Terminologies
 - Unified Medical Language System (UMLS)
 - BioPortal
 - Open Biological Ontologies (OBO)
 - Gene Ontology (GO)
- Ontologies
 - Formal reasoning (for text understanding)

WordNet

- English WordNet (V3.0)
 - semantic (relation) lexicon of English (general language)
 - no morphology!, no syntax!, no etymology
 - groupings of words into sets of synonyms (synsets)
 - English definitions for lexical entries/synsets (glosses)
 - defines semantic relations between synsets
 - covers (base forms of) nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs
 - Size: more than 155,000 lexical entries

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http://wordnet.princeton.edu/
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WordNet

- EuroWordNet
 - Portuguese, Spanish, Spanish Catalan-Basque
 - French
 - Italian
 - German (licence required), Dutch
 - Russian, Czech, Hungarian, Slovene, ...
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- Global WordNet http://globalwordnet.org
 - Arabic
 - Mandarin-Chinese
 - Hindi
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