

Ω -RIDL

Towards Ontological Commitments
with Ω -RIDL Markup Language

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Introduction

Ω -RIDL: A language for specifying ontological commitments and conceptual querying

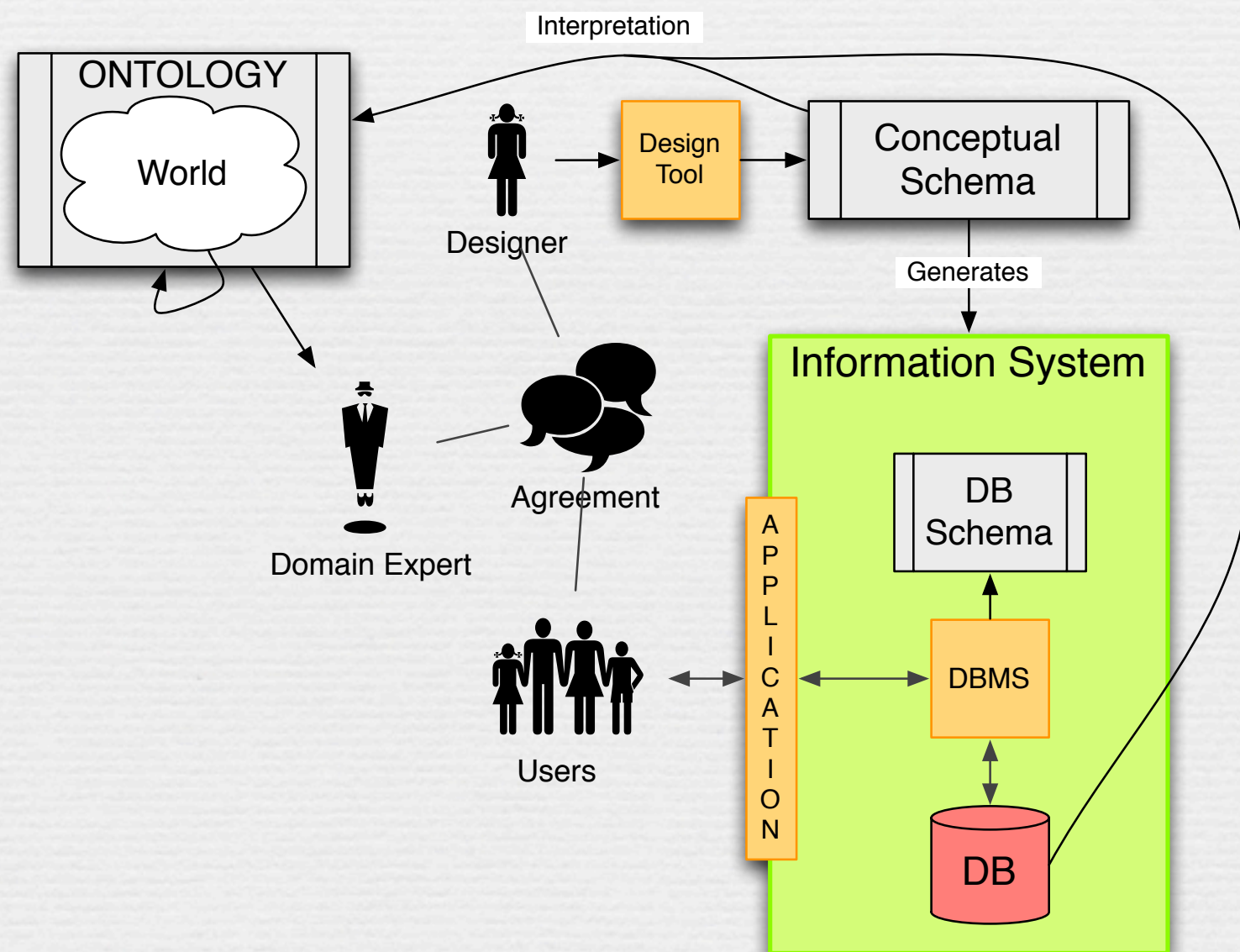
=> Semantically unlocks legacy systems

Overview

- ❧ Ontologies and the DOGMA approach
- ❧ DOGMA Studio
- ❧ Wine auction site running example
- ❧ Summary
- ❧ Future Work

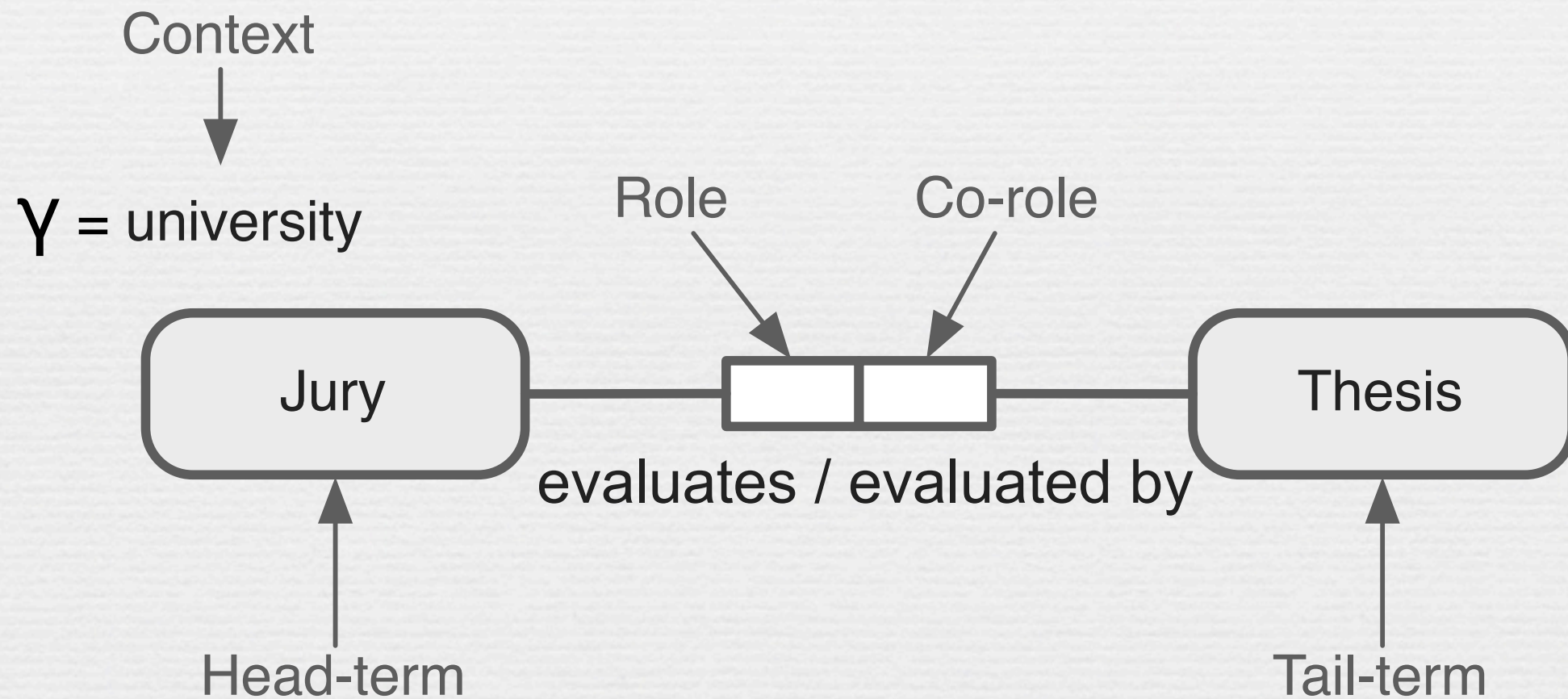
Ontologies

An ontology is an “explicit specification of a shared conceptualization of a certain domain” – T. Gruber



DOGMA

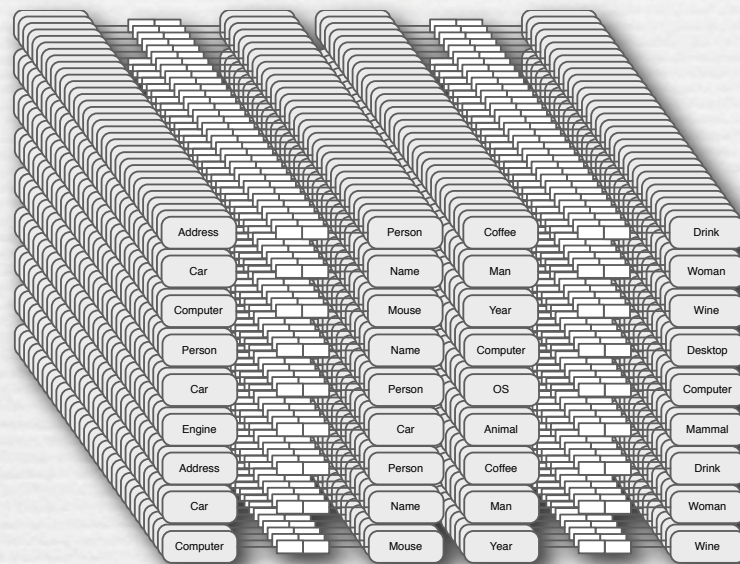
Developing Ontology Grounded Methods and Applications



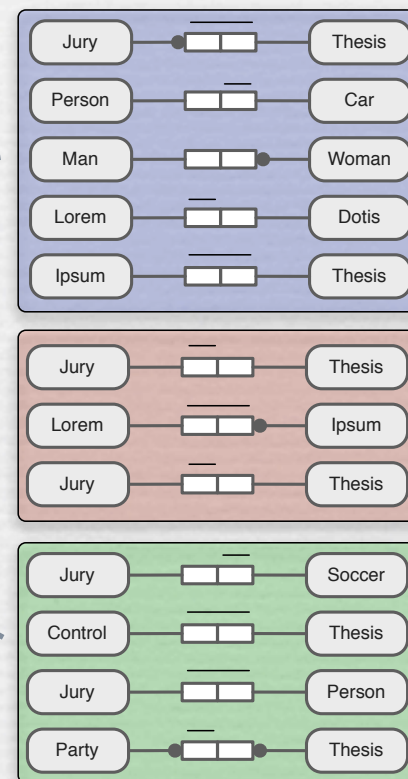
Lexon: the elementary building block

DOGMA Layers

Lexon Base



Commitment Layer



Applications



“Double articulation principle”

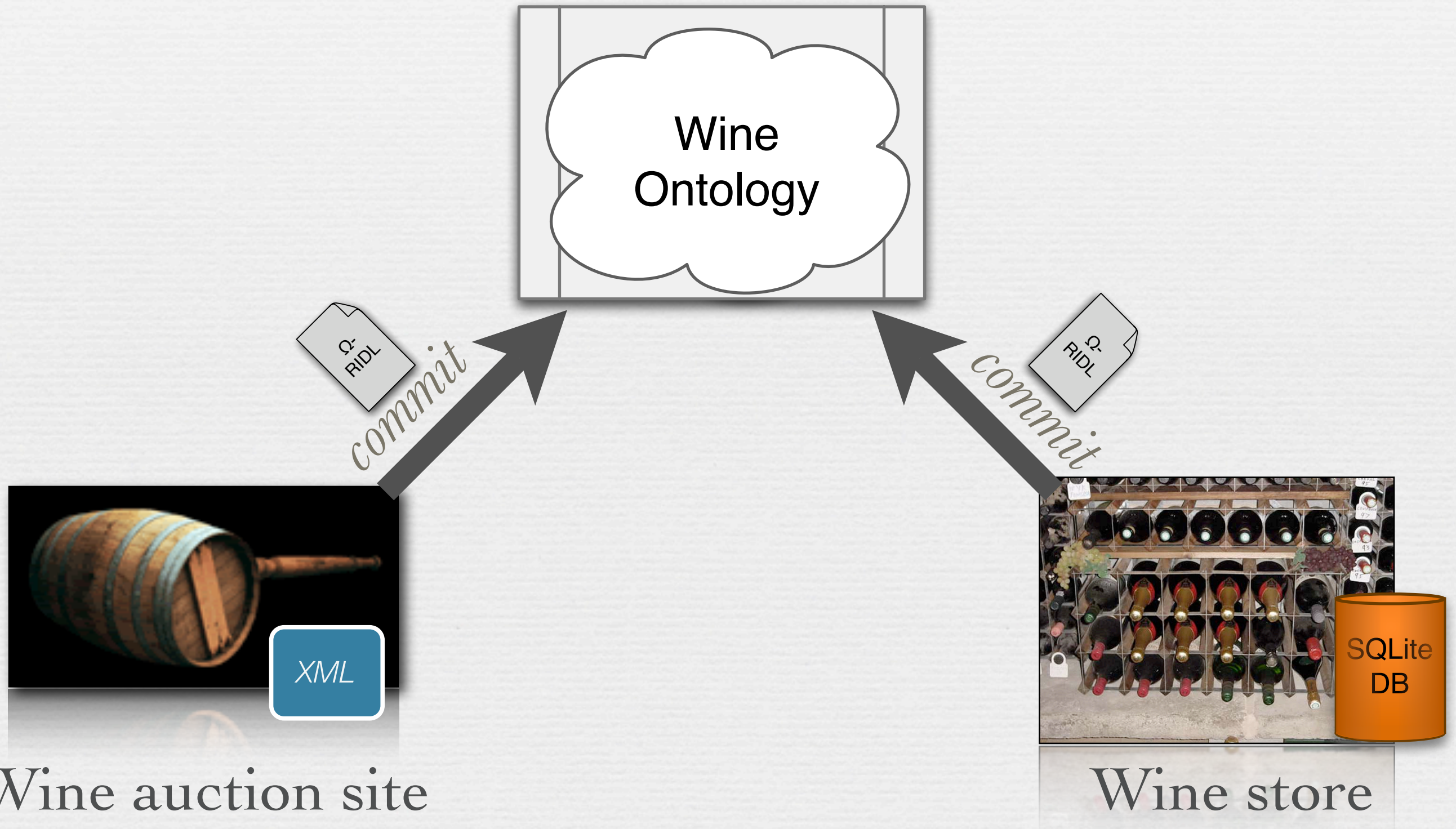
Ontological Commitment

- ❧ Selection of lexons
- ❧ Axiomatization by applying semantic rules
- ❧ Interpretation through mapping of application symbols

DOGMA Studio

- Browses the Lexon base with NORM tree visualization based on ORM
- Create commitments with T-Lex tool
 - Drag 'n Drop selection of lexons
 - Graphical constraints and textual in Ω -RIDL
 - Exports Ω -RIDL ML

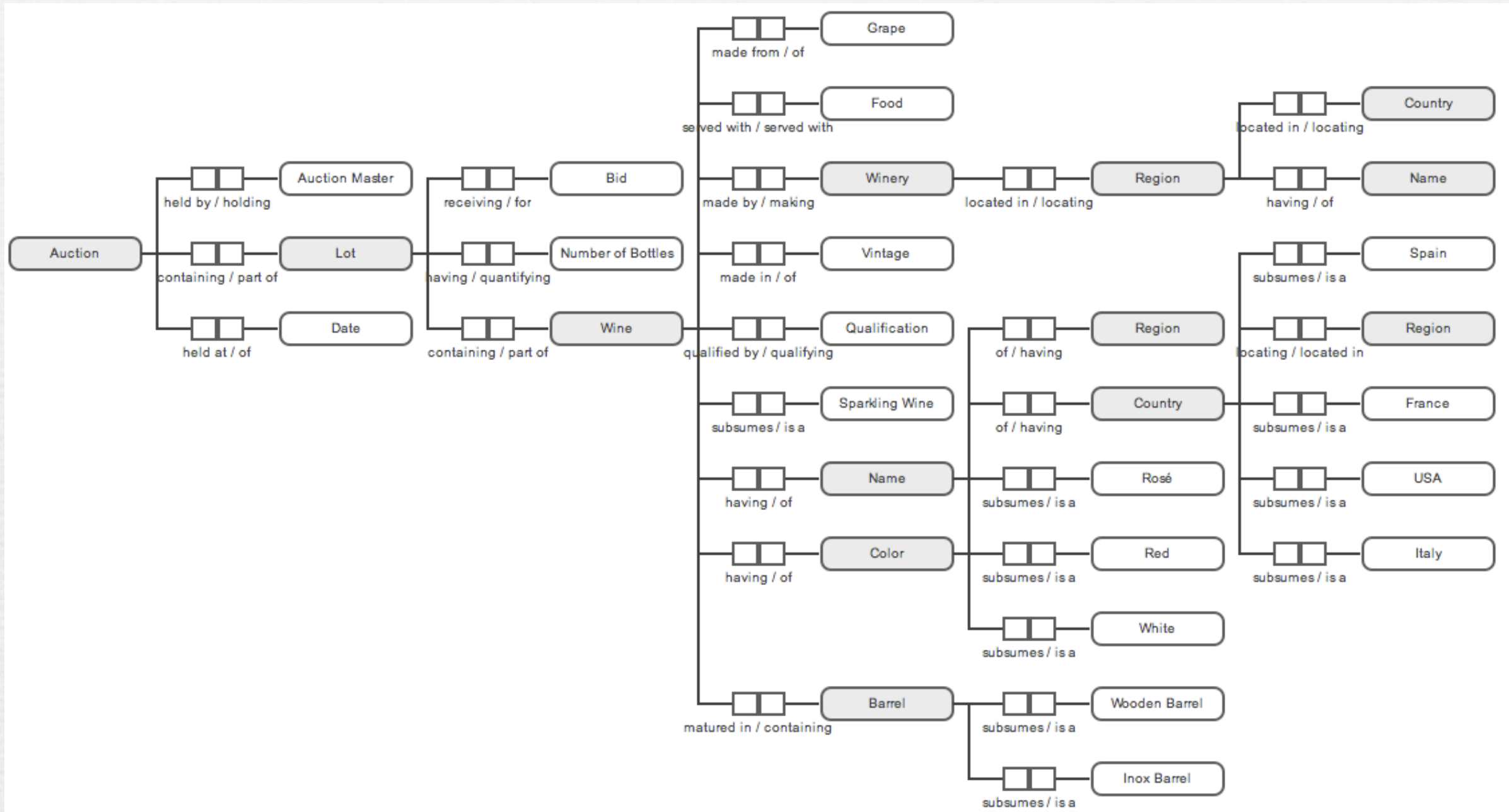
Running Example



XML Sample

```
<auction auction-date="2007-03-18">
  <lot lot-nr="1">
    <estimation>
      <low-price>280</low-price> <high-price>400</high-price>
    </estimation>
    <wine>
      <name>d'Yquem</name>
      <vintage>1999</vintage>
      <region>Sauternes</region>
      <country>France</country>
      <classification>1er Grand Cru Classé</classification>
      <quantity>12</quantity>
      <comment>OWC</comment>
    </wine>
  </lot>
  <lot lot-nr="2">
    <estimation>
      <low-price>200</low-price> <high-price>280</high-price>
    </estimation>
    <wine>
      <name>Beauséjour Bécot</name>
      <vintage>1994</vintage>
      <region>St Emilion</region>
      <country>France</country>
      <classification>1er Grand Cru Classé</classification>
      <quantity>12</quantity>
      <comment>Neck or better, OWC</comment>
    </wine>
  </lot>
</auction>
```

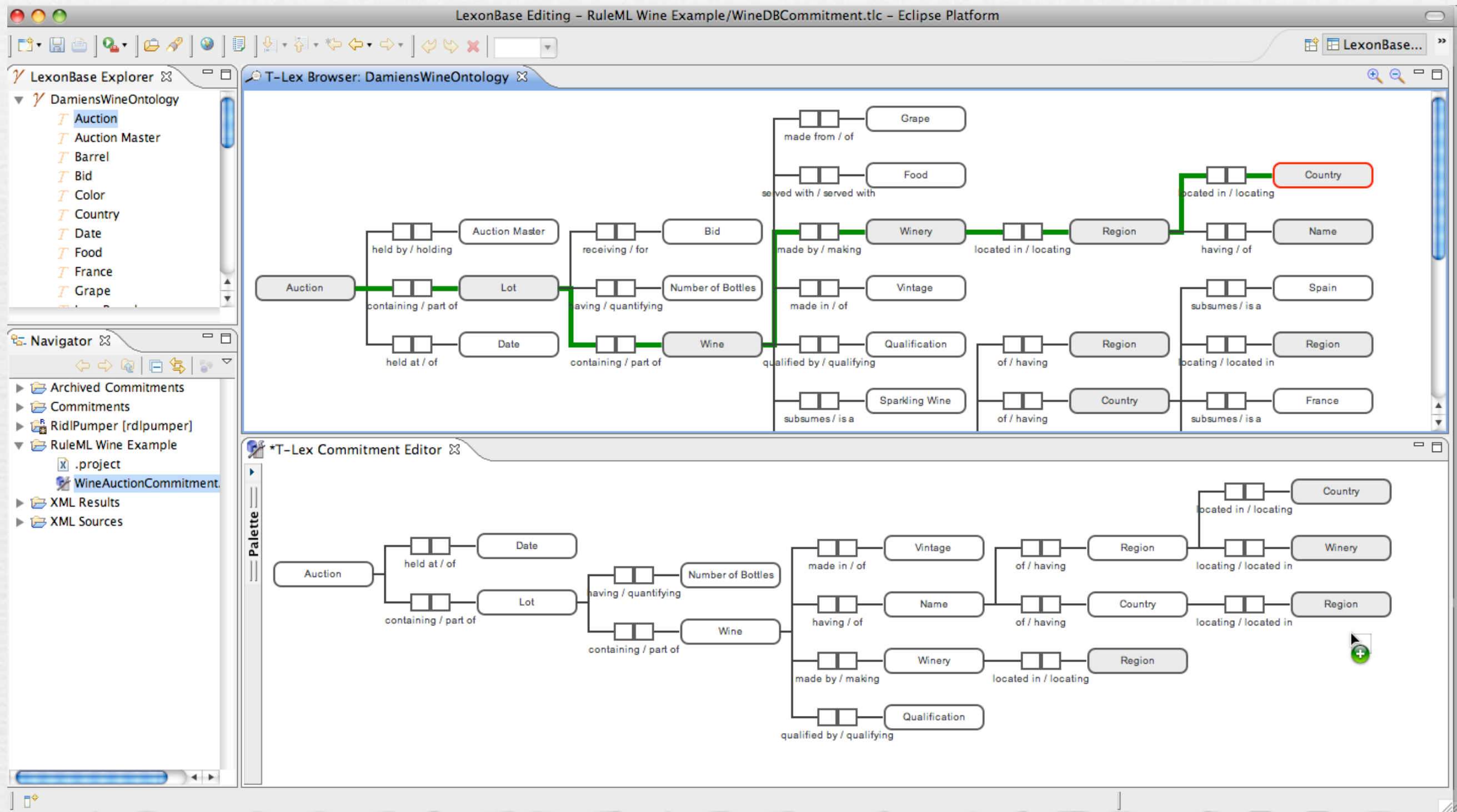

Wine Auction Conceptualization



Mined from different sources: domain experts,
wikipedia, texts, ...

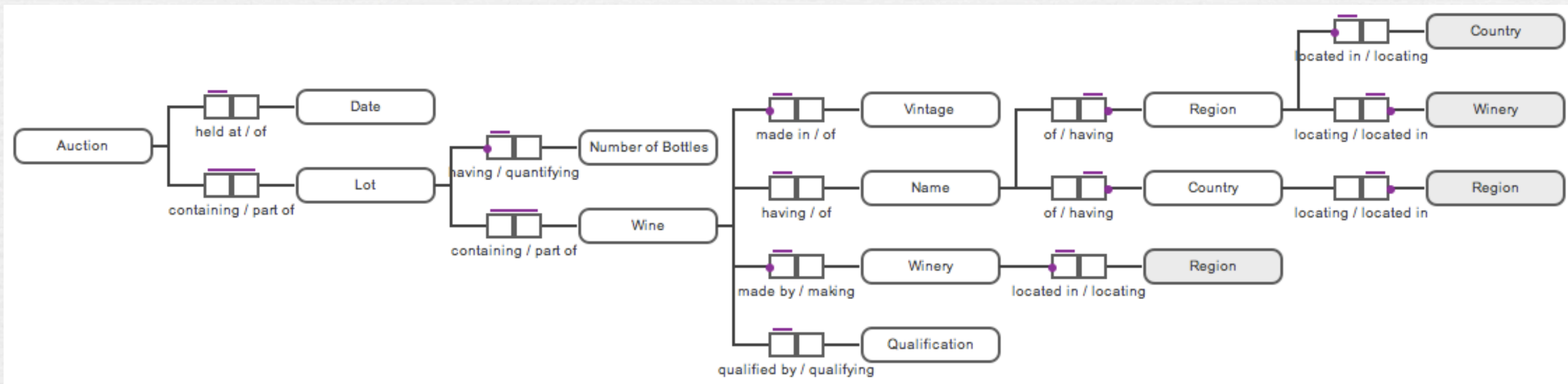
Auction Commitment

1. Selection



Auction Commitment

2. Axiomatization



Uniqueness Constraint (1)

each Wine is made by at most 1 Winery

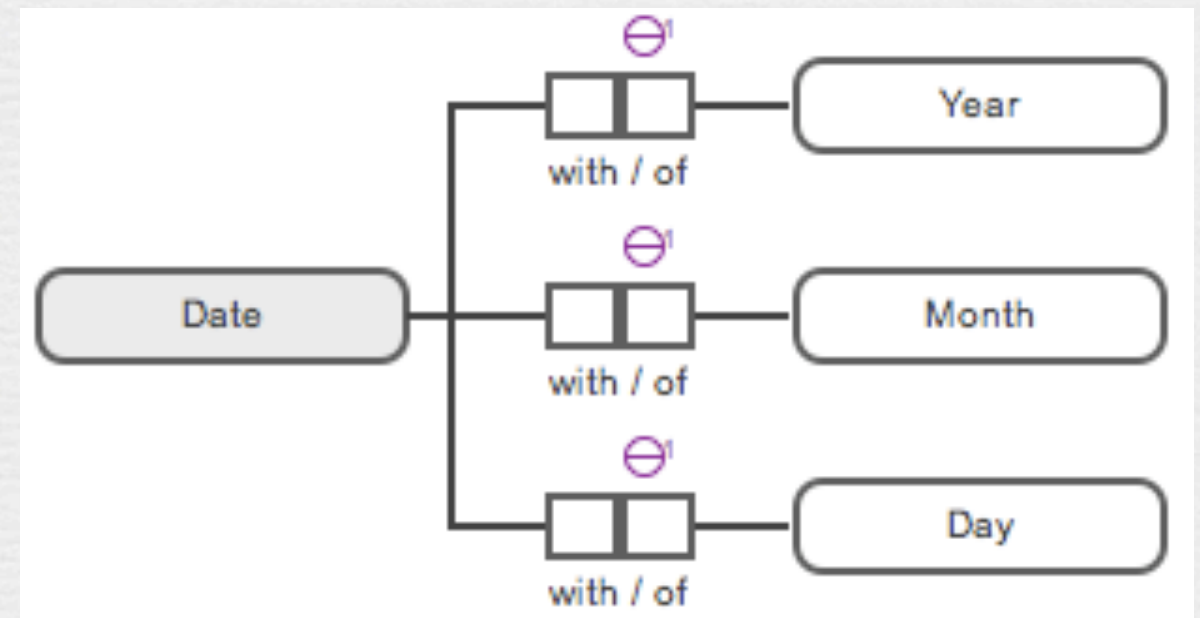
```
<occurrenceConstraint comparator="lessThanOrEqual" number="1">  
  <setExpression>  
    <lexonBasePath>  
      <context>Wine Auctions</context>  
      <headTerm>Wine</headTerm>  
      <role>made by</role>  
      <coRole>making</coRole>  
      <tailTerm>Winery</tailTerm>  
    </lexonBasePath>  
  </setExpression>  
</occurrenceConstraint>
```



Uniqueness Constraint (2)

each Date is identified by
(Year of Date and Month of Date and Day of Date)

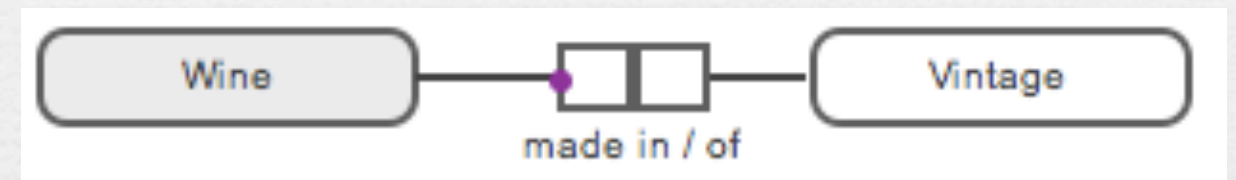
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<externalUniquenessConstraint>  
  <setExpression>  
    <lexonBasePath>  
      <context>Date and Time</context>  
      <headTerm>Year</headTerm>  
      <role>of</role>  
      <coRole>with</coRole>  
      <tailTerm>Date</tailTerm>  
    </lexonBasePath>  
  </setExpression>  
  <setExpression> ... </setExpression>  
  <setExpression> ... </setExpression>  
</externalUniquenessConstraint>
```



Mandatory Constraint

each Wine is made in at least 1 Vintage

```
<occurrenceConstraint comparator="greaterThanOrEqual" number="1">  
  <setExpression>  
    <lexonBasePath>  
      <context>Wine Auctions</context>  
      <headTerm>Wine</headTerm>  
      <role>made in</role>  
      <coRole>of</coRole>  
      <tailTerm>Vintage</tailTerm>  
    </lexonBasePath>  
  </setExpression>  
</occurrenceConstraint>
```



each Wine is made in exactly 1 Vintage



Other constraints

- ❧ Occurrence constraints
- ❧ Subset constraints
- ❧ Value constraints

Auction Commitment

3. Interpretation

- Maps paths in RDB to paths in Lexon Base
- Maps XPathS in XML to paths in Lexon Base

map /auction/@date on
Date of Auction

map /auction/lot on
Lot part of Auction

...

Conceptual Querying

`list Name of Wine made in Vintage =
1947`

- ❧ Translates the query to underlying datasources using commitments
- ❧ Searches the auction site and wine store DB

Summary

- ❧ DOGMA based specification of ontological commitments
- ❧ Close to natural language
- ❧ Integrated into DOGMA Studio
- ❧ Supports conceptual querying

Future Work

- Formalization of Ω -RIDL
- Ω -RIDL to Ω -RIDL ML compiler
- Graphical assistance for creating mappings
- Conceptual query interpreter
- Further integration into DOGMA Studio

Questions

- ❧ Thank you for listening!
- ❧ Questions?