



KNOWLEDGE GRAPHS

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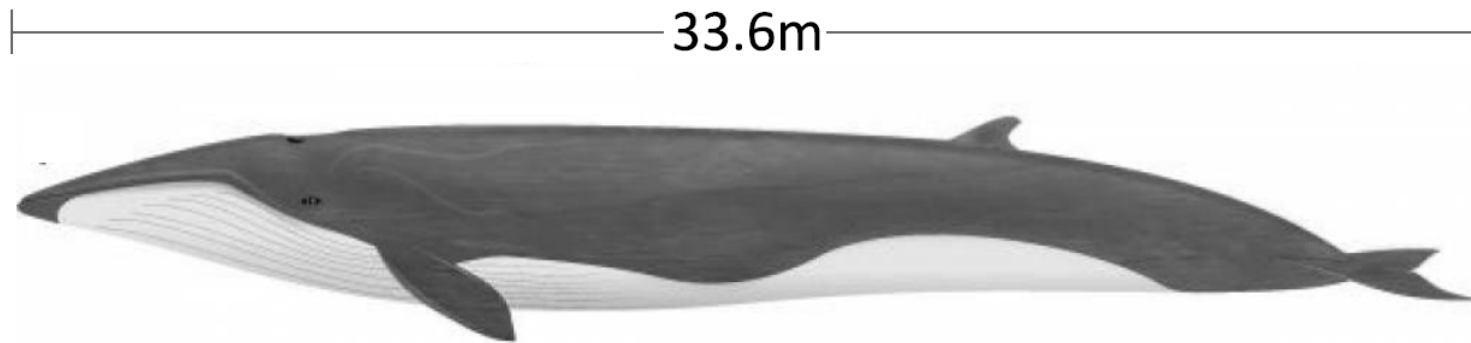


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33.6

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Baleanoptera musculus

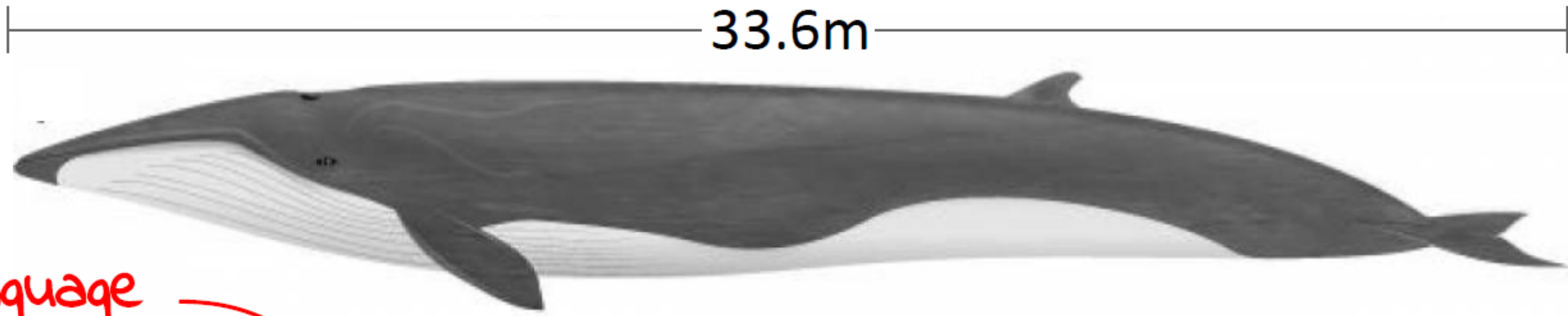
is a

Animal

maxLength

33.6 m

$\text{BaleanopteraMusculus} \sqsubseteq \text{Animal} \sqcap \forall \text{maxLength} . \leq 33.6$



Language

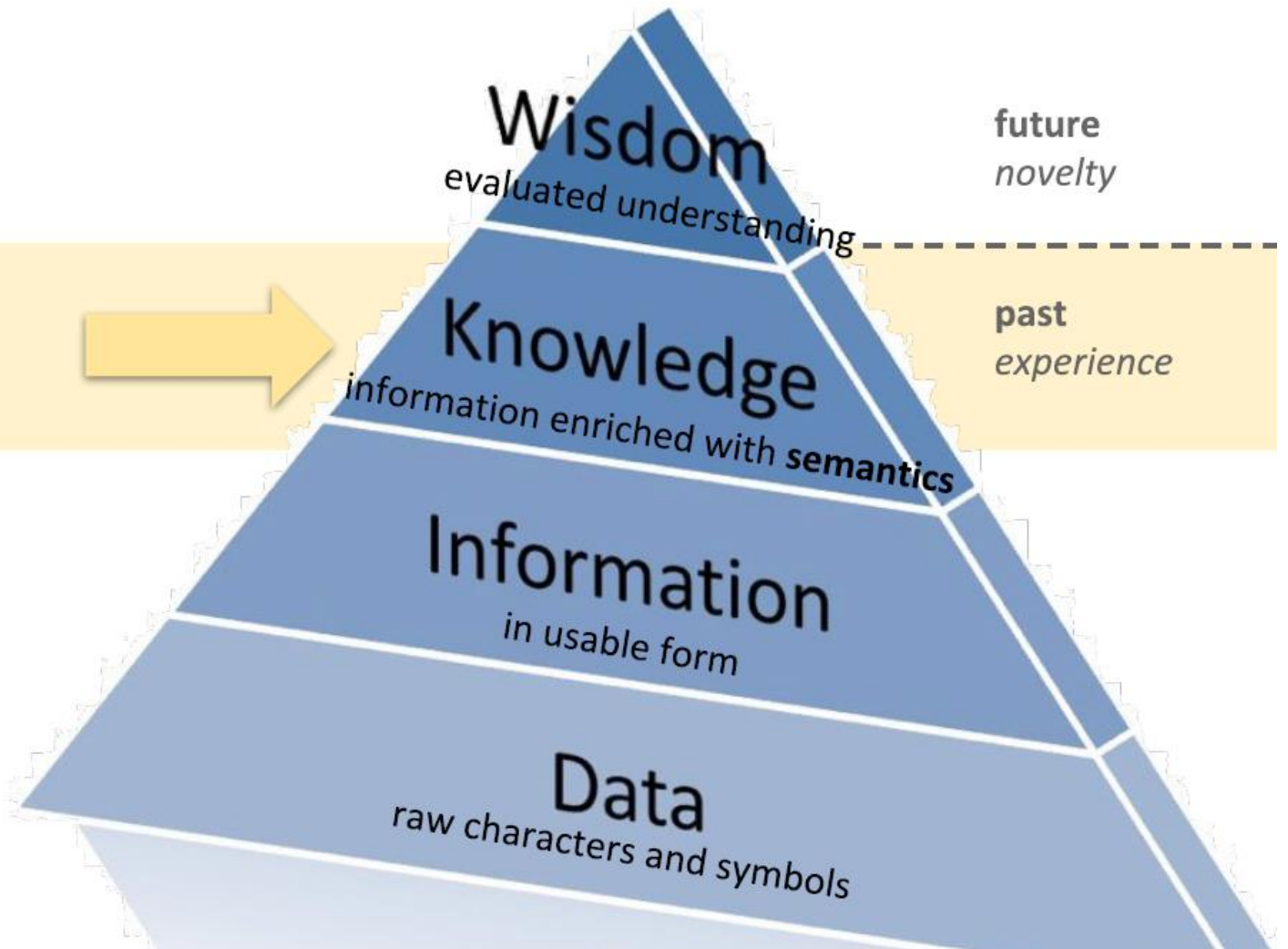
- **We want to express more:**
 - The blue whale is a whale. A whale is a mammal. A mammal is an animal.
 - The whale lives in the oceans. An ocean is a body of water.
 - This is 'Moby', a specific blue whale. He lives in the Atlantic Ocean.
 - The longest ever measured blue whale had a length of 33.6 m
 - This means that - up to now and unless we may find a longer one - the largest blue whale measures 33.6 m, or no blue whale is longer than 33.6 m.
 - Moby is not longer than 33.6 m.
 - If you happen to find a longer whale, then either it is no blue whale or we have to change our previous assumptions.

Data | Information | Knowledge

- Data is raw
- Its simply exists and has no significance
- It can be or not be useful

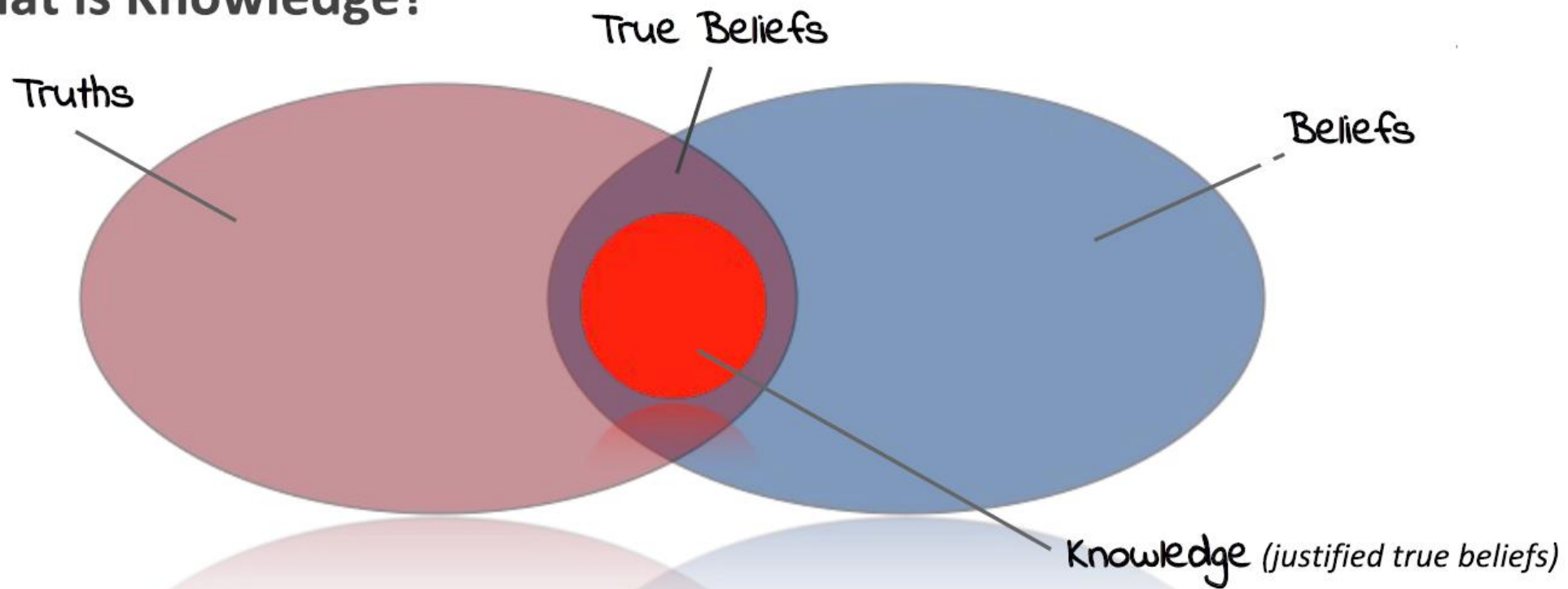
- Information is the data that has meaning
- Again, information can be useful or not be.

- Knowledge is the collection of information
- It has significance and needs to be useful.



DIKW Pyramid, Ackoff 1989

What is Knowledge?



Traditional Definition: „*Knowledge is a justified subset of all true beliefs*“

How to represent Knowledge?

- (Natural) Language can be a way to represent knowledge
- What is Language?
 - **Language** is a system of conventional **spoken, manual, or written symbols** that combine to **convey meaning**, and by means of which human beings, as members of a social group and participants in its culture, **express** themselves.
 - One of the most important functions of language is **communication**.

Natural Language ??

I am a Linguist.

I love language more than most people.

1. Paraphrasing
2. Ambiguity

Formal Knowledge Representation

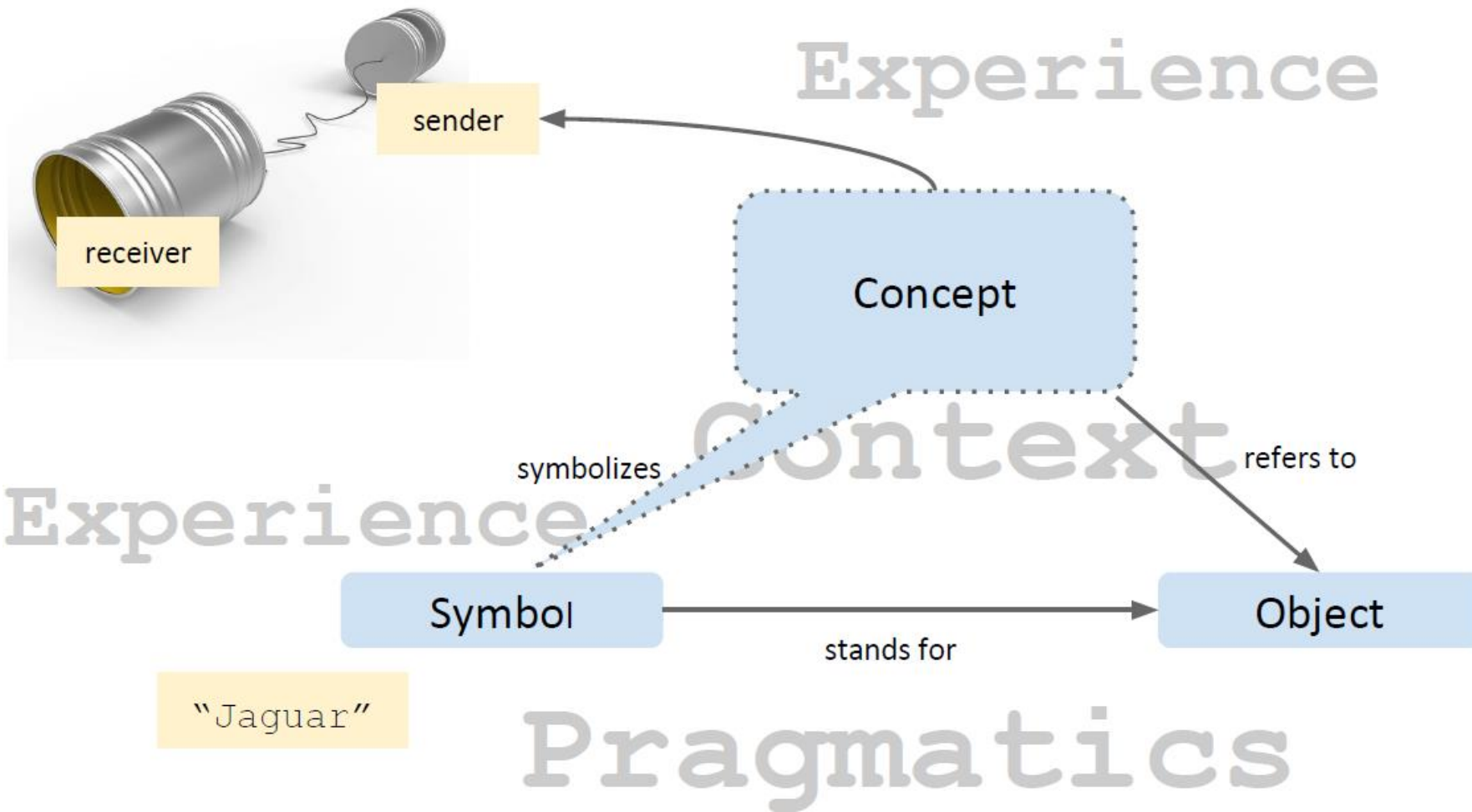
- **Formal Knowledge Representation**
 - is a field of **artificial intelligence (AI)**,
 - which (unambiguously) captures the **semantics (meaning)** of **concepts, properties, relationships, and entities**
 - of specific **knowledge domains**, i.e., fields of interest or areas of concern,
 - as **structured data**.
- **Machines (computers)** must be able to **understand** formal knowledge representations.
- To “**understand**” a knowledge representation, the machine must be able to **interpret it correctly**.

What does it mean to “understand”?

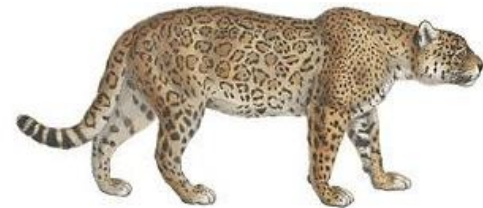
- **Understanding** (in general) is the ability to grasp the meaning of information.
- **Information** is conveyed in a **message** using a specific **language** from a sender to a receiver.



- **Information is understood** by the receiver of a message, if the receiver **interprets** the information **correctly**.



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Understanding The Meaning

- **Correct Interpretation** depends on
 - Syntax,
 - Semantics,
 - Context,
 - Pragmatics, and
 - Experience.

SYNTAX

- =[greek] Arrangement, Ordering
- In **grammatics** syntax denotes the study of the **principles** and processes **by which sentences are constructed** in particular languages.
- In **formal languages**, syntax is just a set of rules, by which well formed expressions can be created from a fundamental set of symbols (alphabet).
- In **computer science**, syntax defines the normative structure of data.

SEMANTICS

- =[greek] pertains to the character, the study of meaning
- is part of the linguistics which focuses on **Sense and Meaning** of language or symbols of language.
- is the **study of interpretation of signs or symbols** as used by agents or communities within particular circumstances and **contexts**.
- Semantics asks, how sense and meaning of complex concepts can be derived from simple concepts based on the **rules of syntax**.
- The semantics of a message depends on **context** and **pragmatics**.

CONTEXT

- [lat.] contextus = interweaved
- denotes the **surrounding of a symbol** (concept) in an expression resp. its **relationship with surrounding expressions** (concepts) and further related elements,
- Context denotes **all elements of any sort of communication that define the interpretation of the communicated content.**

PRAGMATICS

- =[greek] action
- reflects the **intention by which the language is used** to communicate a message.
- In linguistics, pragmatics denotes the **study of applying language in different situations**.
- It also **denotes the intended purpose** of the speaker.
- Pragmatics studies **the ways in which context contributes to meaning**.

EXPERIENCE

- **Experience** considers all information that you have learned and put in context with the world you are living in.
- Experience in this sense is often referred to as **common sense knowledge** or **world knowledge**.

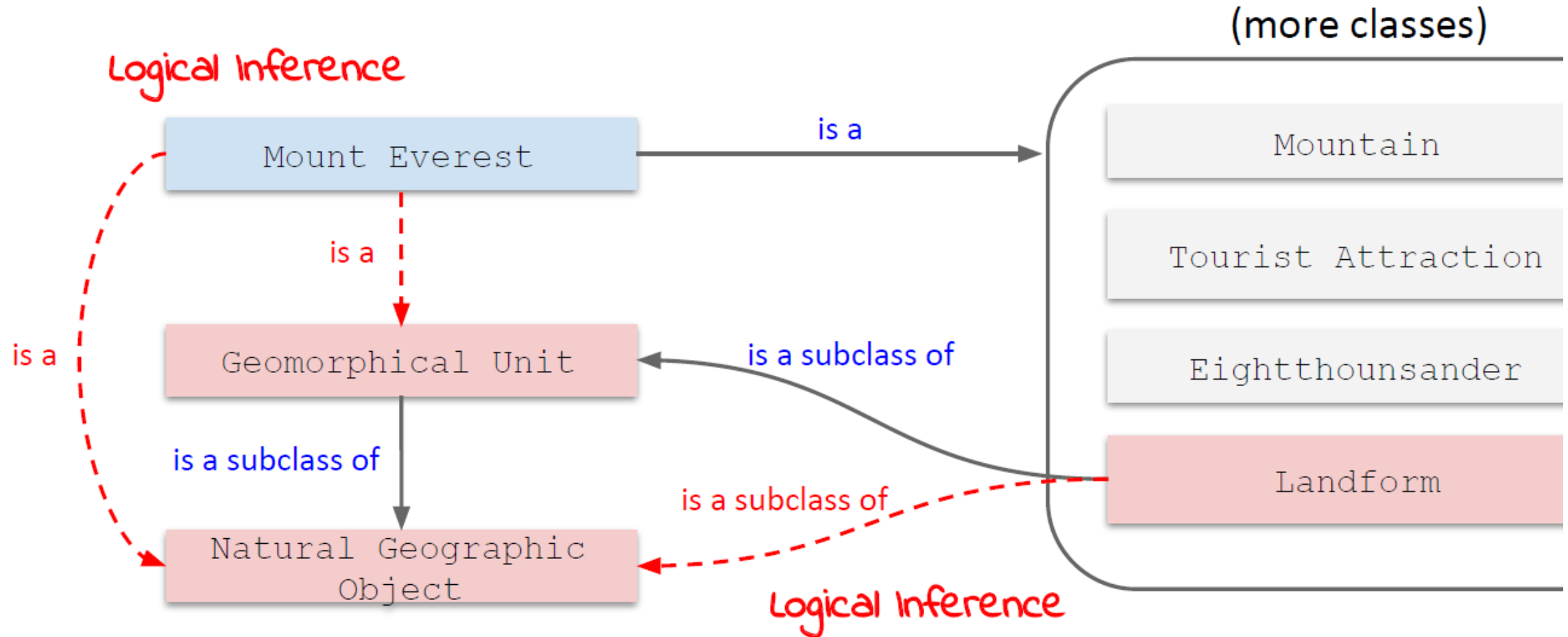
Successful Communication

- For **successful communication**,
 - information has to be correctly transmitted (**Syntax**)
 - the meaning (**Semantics**) of the transmitted information must be interpreted correctly (= **understanding**)
- **Understanding** depends on
 - the **context** of both sender and receiver and
 - the **pragmatics** of the sender
- (Personal) **experience** determines
 - how sender and receiver **interpret the semantics, context, and pragmatics** of a message, and thus its intended meaning

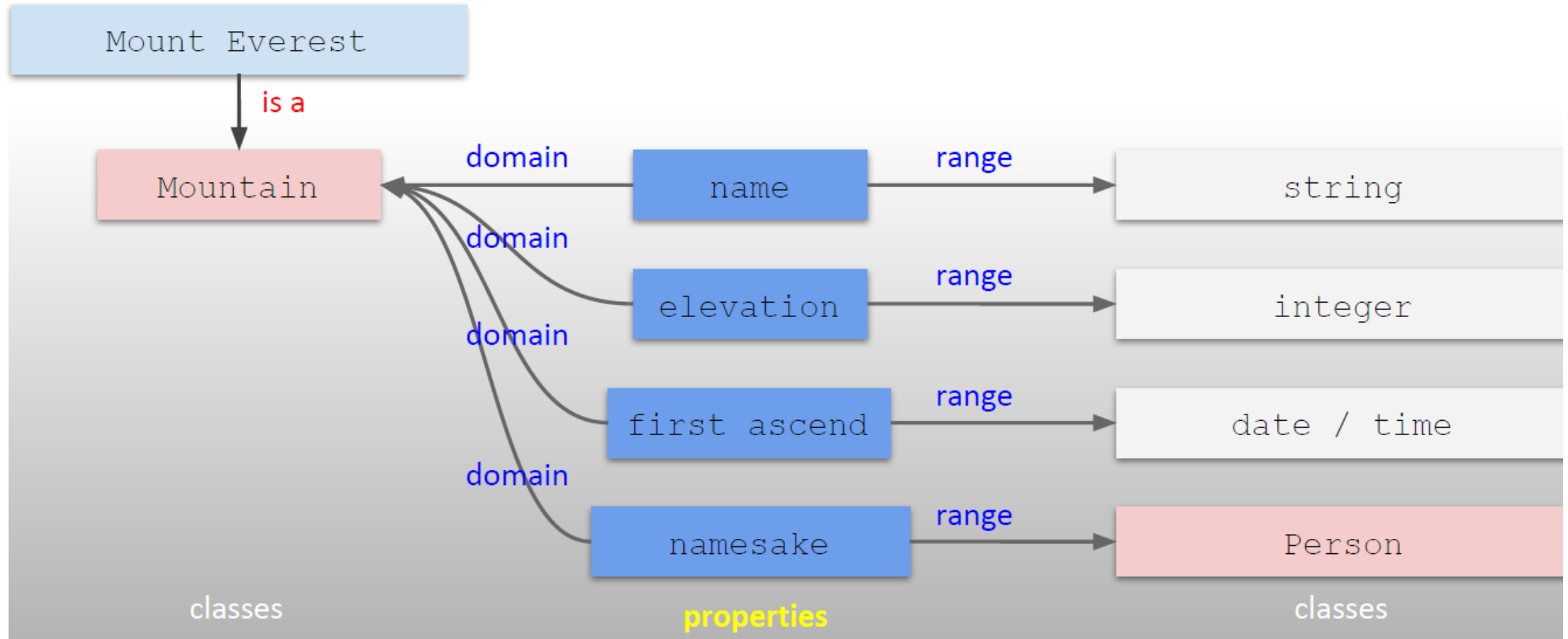
Semantic Web = A web of Data

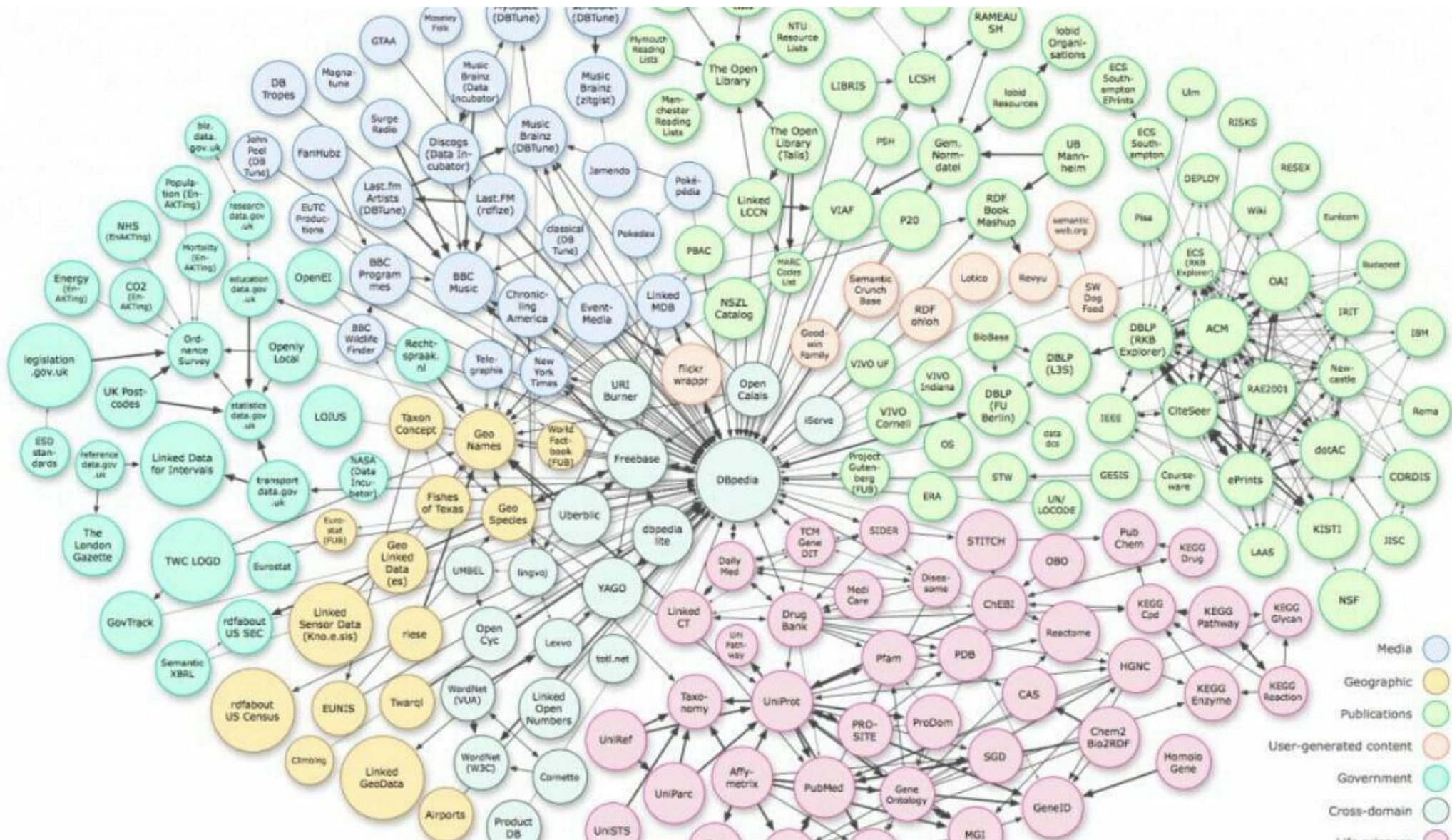
- The Semantic Web is an **Extension of the current Web**.
- The meaning of information (Semantics) is made explicit by **formal (structured) and standardized knowledge representations (Ontologies)**.
- Thereby it will be possible,
 - to **process** the meaning of information automatically,
 - to **relate** and **integrate** heterogeneous data,
 - to **deduce** implicit (not evident) information from existing (evident) information in an automated way.
- The Semantic Web is kind of a **global database** that contains a **universal network of semantic propositions**.

- The Meaning (Semantics) of information is expressed with the help of knowledge representations (**Ontologies**)



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The Semantic Web Technology Stack (not a piece of cake...)

Most apps use only a subset of the stack

Querying allows fine-grained data access

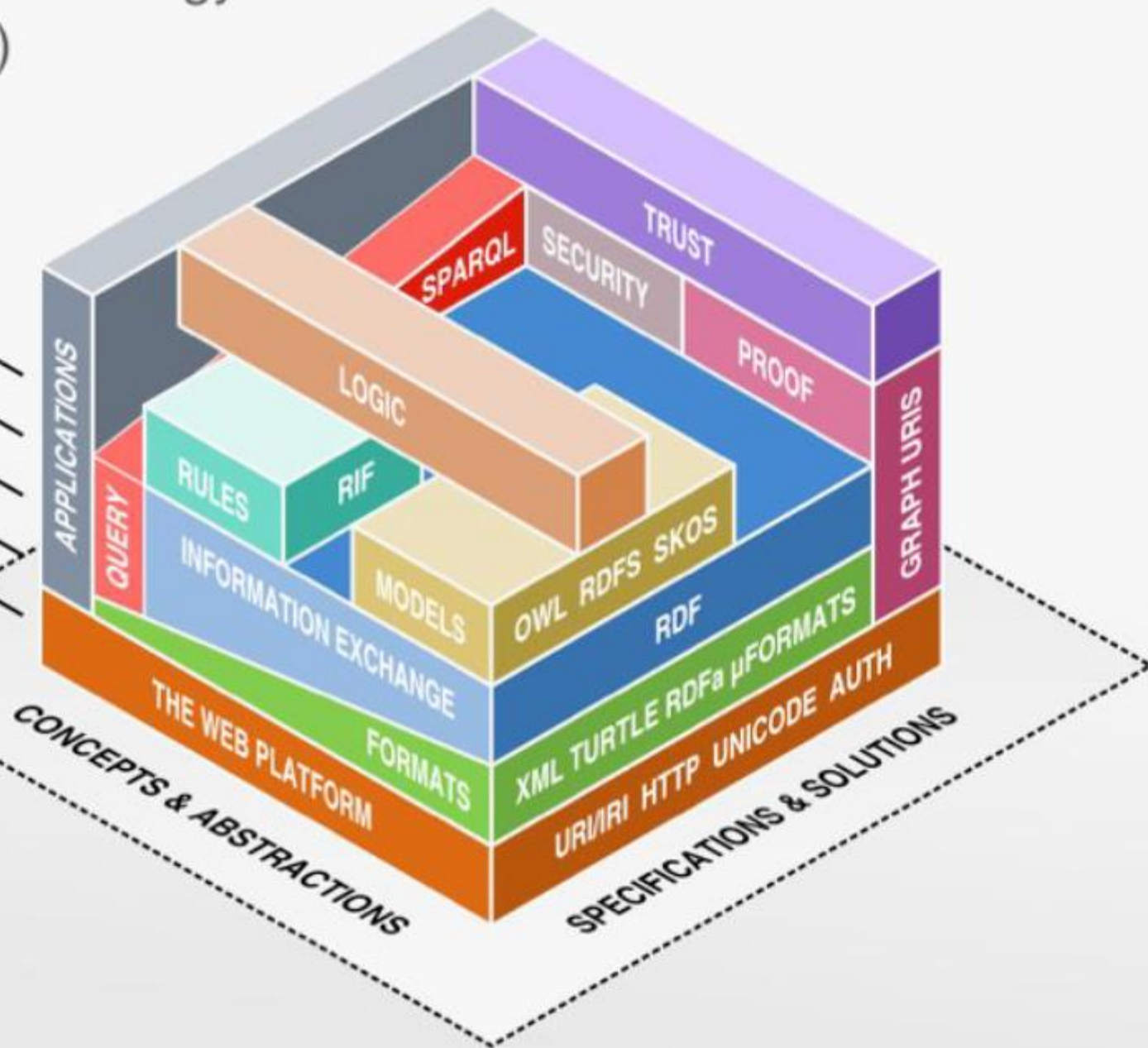
Standardized information exchange is key

Formats are necessary, but not too important

The Semantic Web is based on the Web

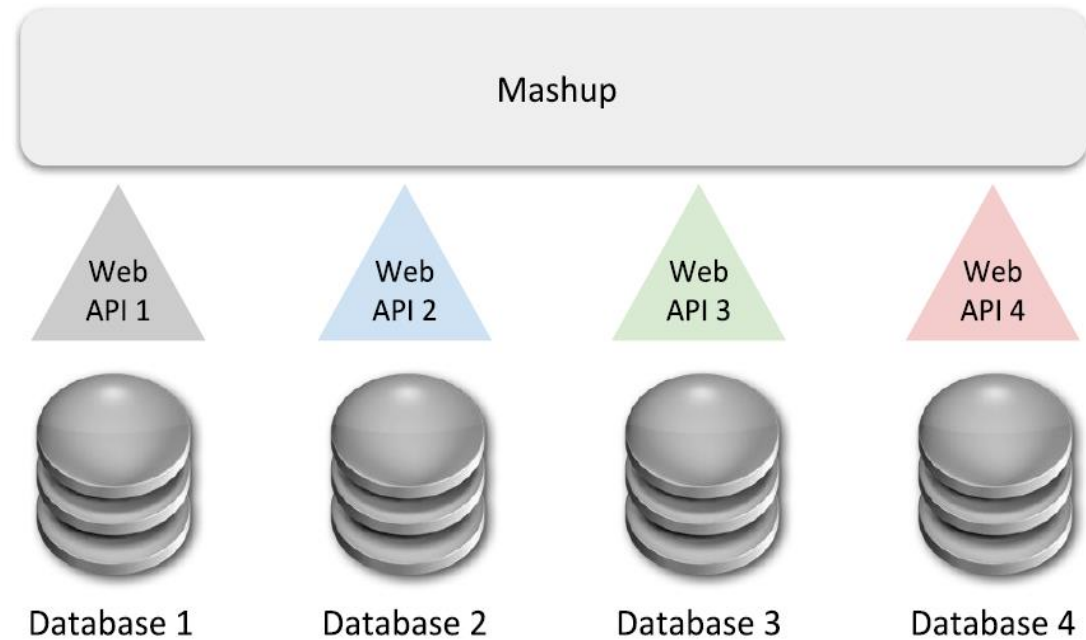
Linked Data uses a small
selection of technologies

LINKED DATA



Data Access in Traditional Web

- There is a number of different (proprietary) **Web APIs**, data exchange formats, and **Mashups** on top of that.



Data Access in Semantic Web

- **Apply Linked Data technology**

- to publish (structured) data on the Web
- to draw connections from one data source to data from other data sources

