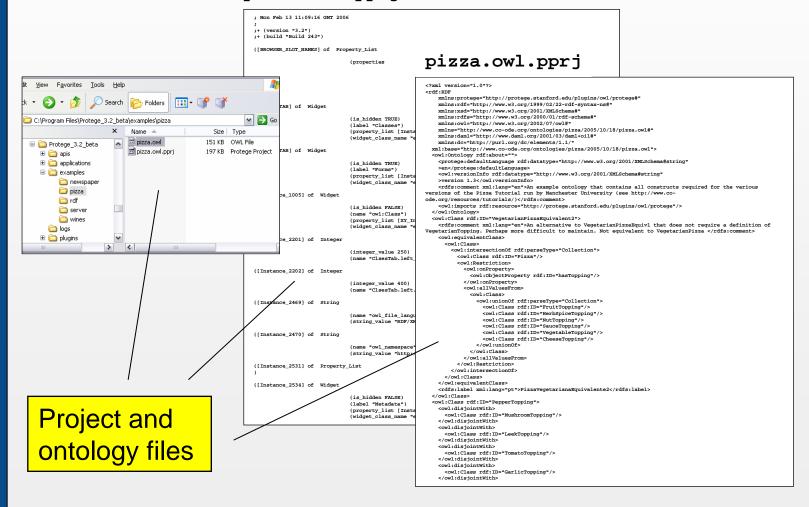
# A PDF Storage Backend for Protégé

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## Storage of the Pizza example

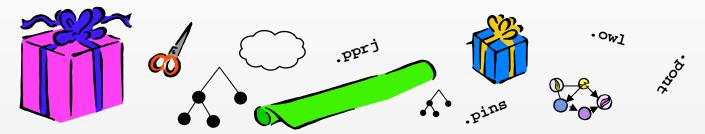
#### pizza.owl.pprj



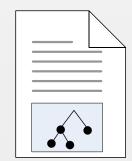


# How do you package an ontology?

Gift wrapping?



Document packaging

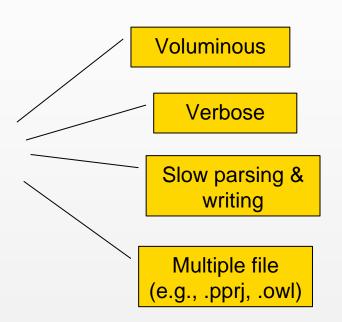






## Persistent storage in Protégé

- Files
  - Serialization
  - Protégé Frames: CLIPS-like/XML
  - Protégé OWL: XML-based
- Databases



There is a storage problem here

## **Background: Semantic Documents**

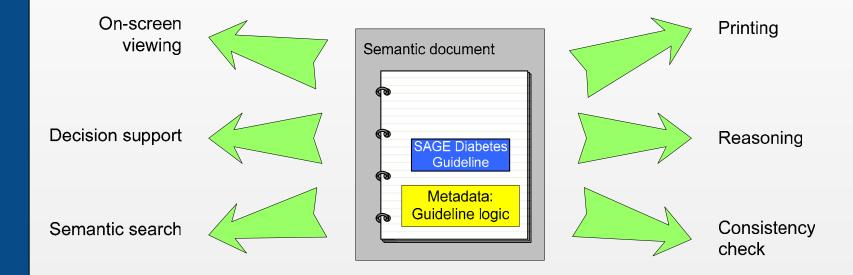
- Combining documents with knowledge representation
  - Like semantic web, but for "real" documents
- Problem: Large amounts of information is available electronically, but it is
  - difficult to find the right information when the search query is complex, and
  - difficult to navigate content-rich information.

#### Goal

- Semantic description of document content (i.e., a meta-model for documents)
- Support for systematic authoring of complex electronic documents
- Adding support for PDF to Protégé a PDF tab for Protégé



## **One Document—Many Applications**

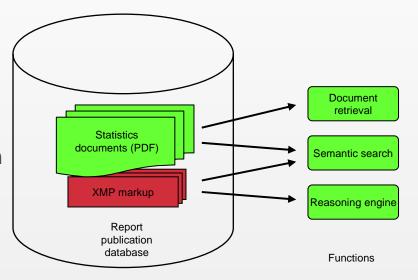




One format for all applications

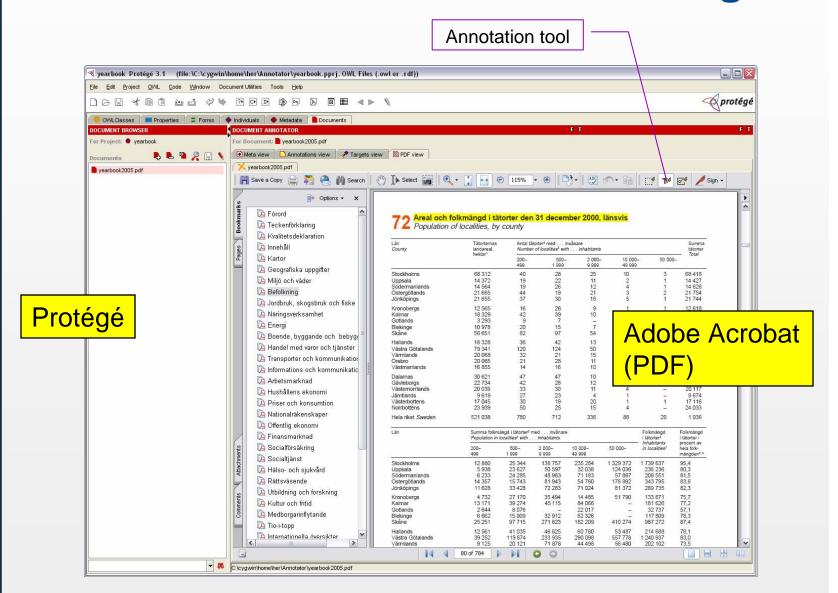
## **Semantic Documents**

- Knowledge representation
  - Semantic web: OWL
  - Ontologies
- Document models
  - Adobe's Portable Document Format (PDF)
  - Extensible Metadata Platform (XMP)
  - MS Word, RTF (?)
- Functions
  - Semantic search based on metadata
  - Reasoning, inference





## PDFTab: Annotation tool for Protégé





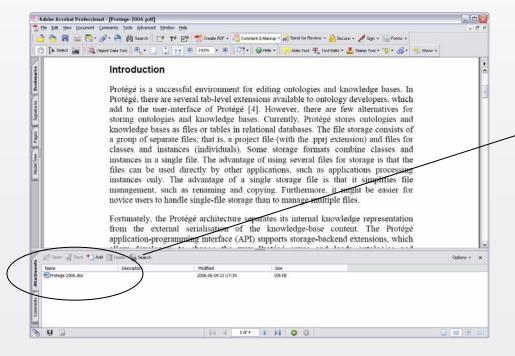
## Lightweight semantic documents

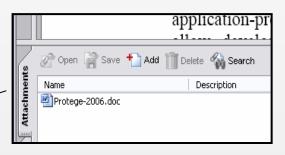
- Semantic documents are nice, but
  - sometimes too heavy
  - advanced tools required (heavy)
- The PDF backend provides
  - a new save method
  - a compact storage format
  - storage using standard PDF attachments
  - file access through standard PDF tools (e.g., Acrobat)



## **PDF Attachments**

- Little known feature of PDF
- Just like e-mail attachments

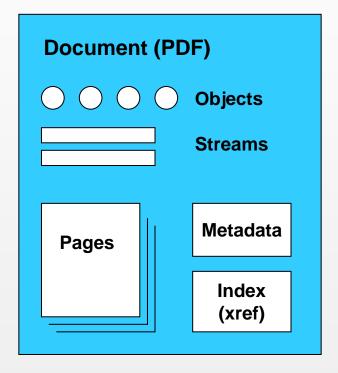




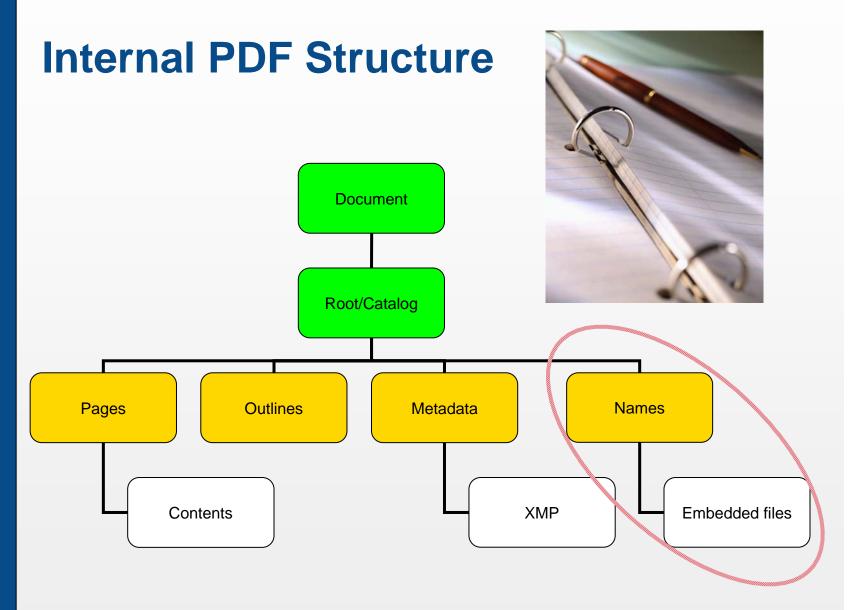


# The "Secrets" of the Portable Document Format (PDF)

- Open and documented format
- PDF files contain something like a file system
  - Indexing for fast random access
  - Like the .doc format of MS Word
- Extendible file layout
  - Custom additions
- Different object and streams with support for text, binary data, compression, and encryption

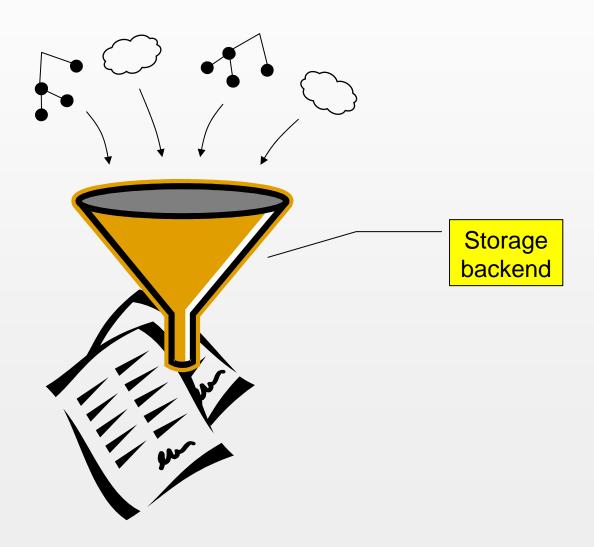








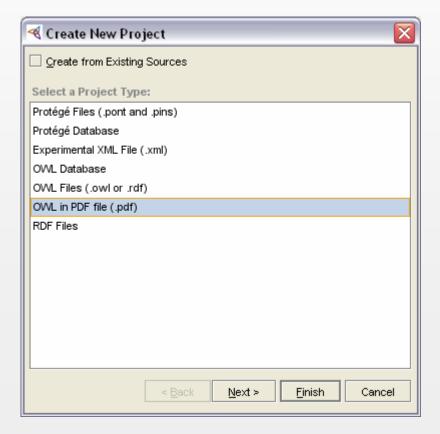
# Inserting ontologies in documents





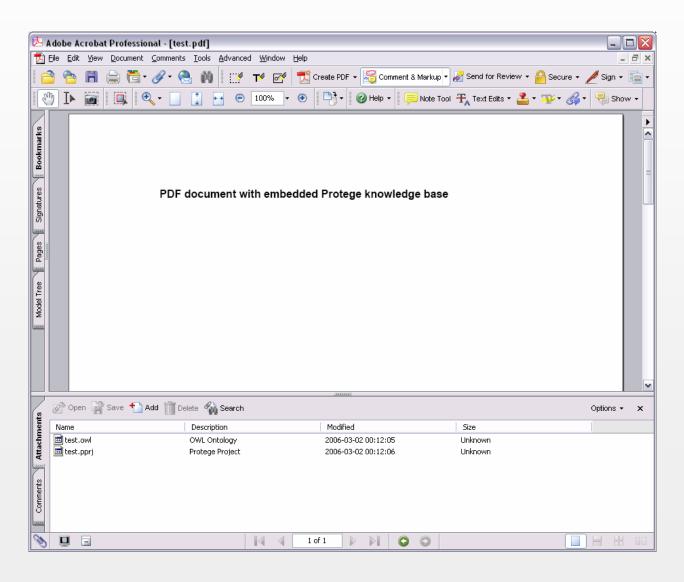
## **Experimental implementation**

New knowledge base format/project type





## **Resulting PDF document**



## **Scenarios**



• Generated documents

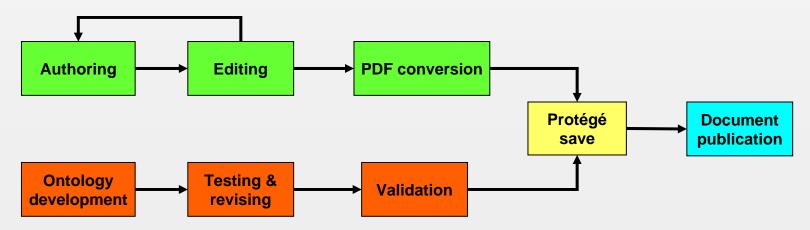
Ontology
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Testing & Protégé Save

Protégé Save

Document publication

Authored documents





### **Discussion**

- Architecture for storage (packaging) formats
  - Other formats possible
  - Examples: zip, tar, tgz, ...
- Implementation issues
  - Currently "research prototype"
  - API changes/additions/debugging required
    - pdfbox, OWL plug-in, Protégé core
  - One PDF kb format required for each major storage type
    - Example: PDF-Protégé-Frames, PDF-Protégé-OWL, PDF-Protégé-RDFS
    - Should really be separated in a general PDF filter (more API changes required)



## **Summary**



#### Semantic documents

- Combine printable documents with ontologies and knowledge bases
- Combined documentation (human-readable) and reasoning (machine-readable)
- One document with several applications

#### PDF storage backend

- Lightweight semantic documents
- Attaching ontology files to PDF documents
- Straightforward access from Acrobat

