

# Report on NKOS/CENDI Workshop

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*Presenting a Jointly-sponsored Workshop*

**NEW DIMENSIONS IN  
KNOWLEDGE ORGANIZATION SYSTEMS**

**Sponsored by CENDI and the Networked Knowledge Organization Systems Working Group  
Hosted by The World Bank**

**The World Bank, Washington, DC  
Board Room, 13th Floor  
September 11, 2008**

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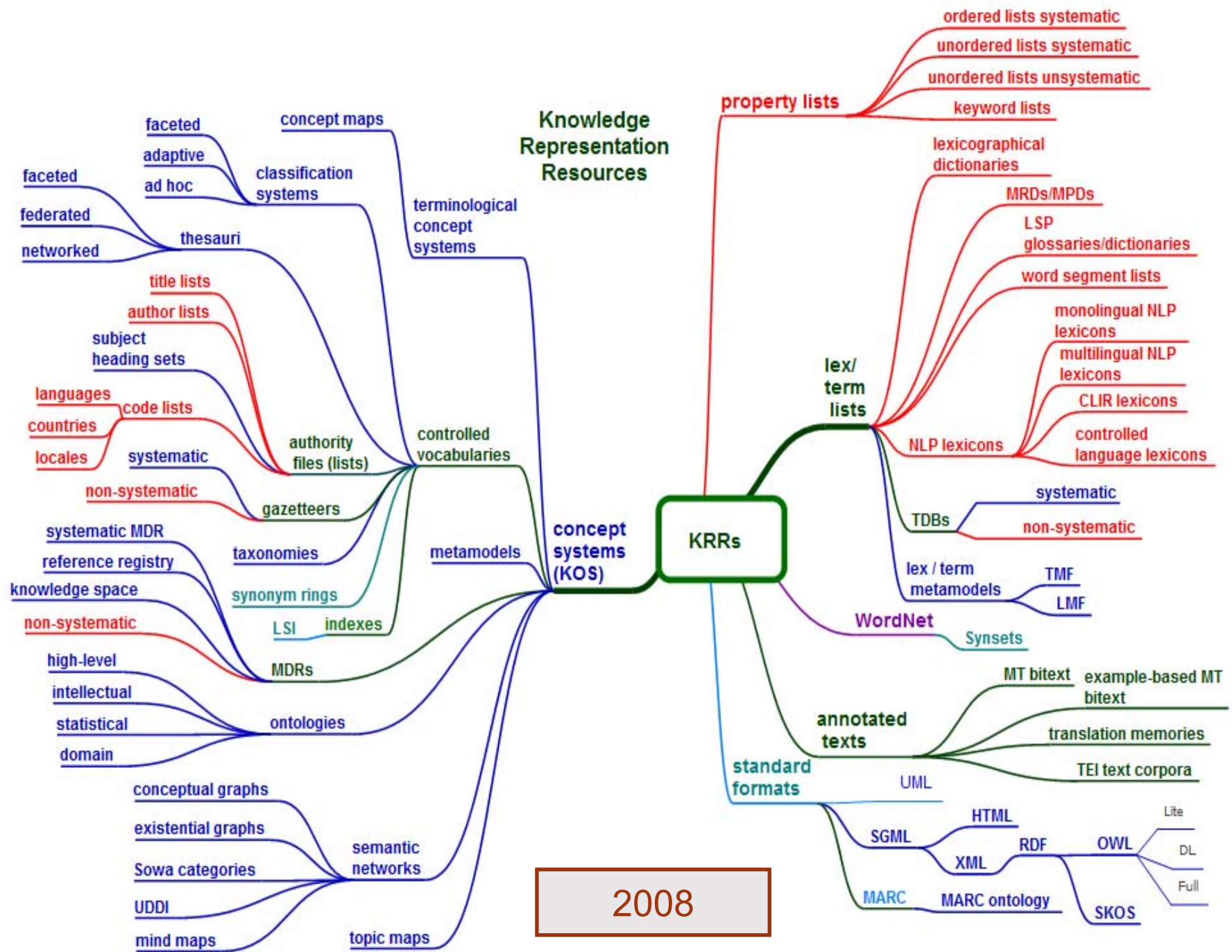
# Typology for KRRs

Knowledge Representation Resources

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Kent State University, Kent, Ohio  
NKOS-CENDI September 2008



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# Colors

- **Blue:** systematic, represents shallow to deep semantic structures
- **Red:** non-systematic, primarily lists with random or conventional (e.g., alphabetical) ordering principles
- **Green:** hybrid superordinate nodes with both systematic and non-systematic children; texts of various kinds
- **Purple:** WordNet: internally hybrid system; shallow systematics, lexicographical approach

# *“New Dimensions in KOS”*

## **CENDI/NKOS Workshop**

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### SKOS: New Dimensions in Interoperability

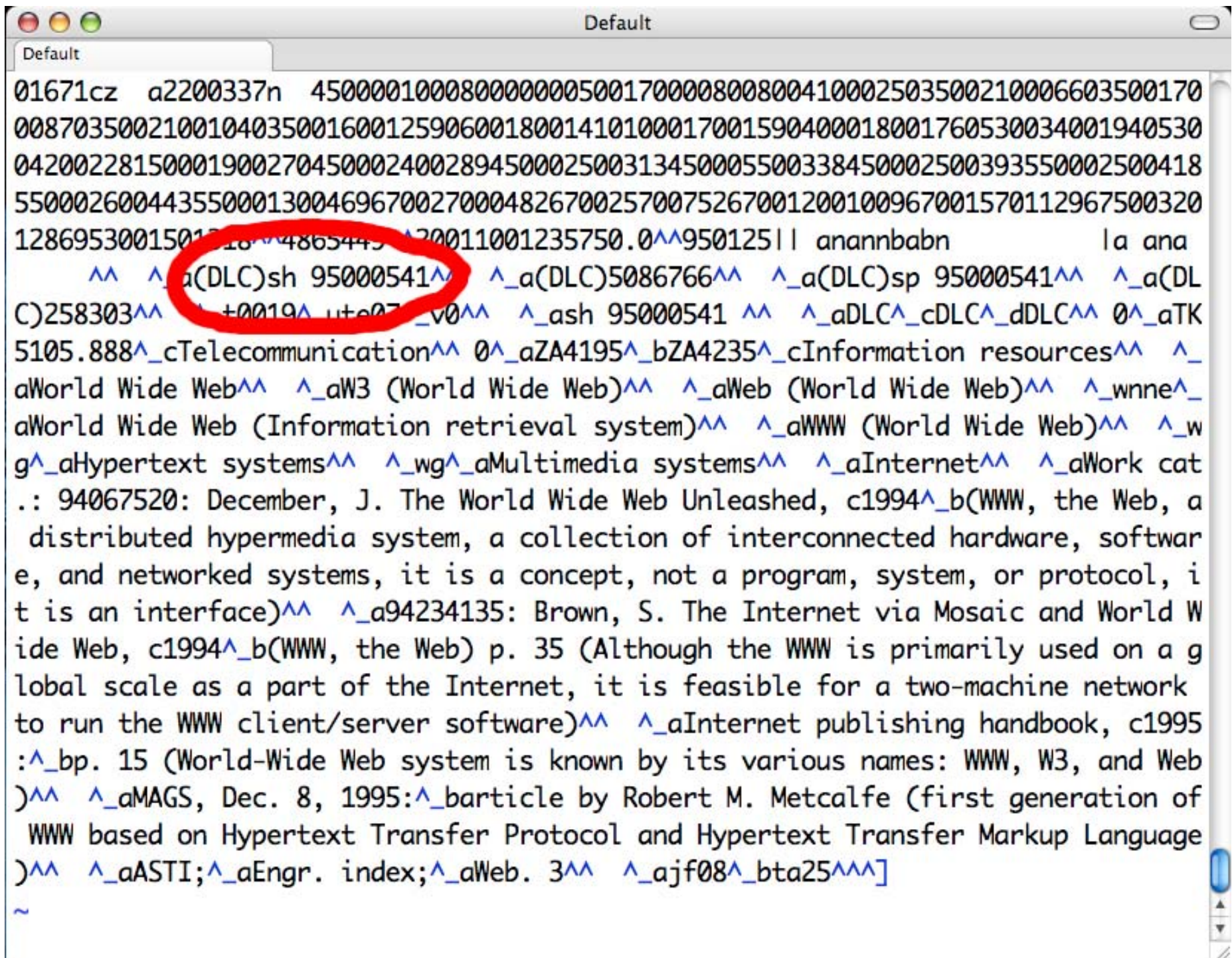
Ed Summers

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*An international conference to share and advance knowledge and experience about standards;  
the technologies that build upon them, and implementation experiences.*





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# World Wide Web

**Use For:** W3 (World Wide Web), WWW (World Wide Web), Web (World Wide Web), World Wide Web (Information retrieval system),

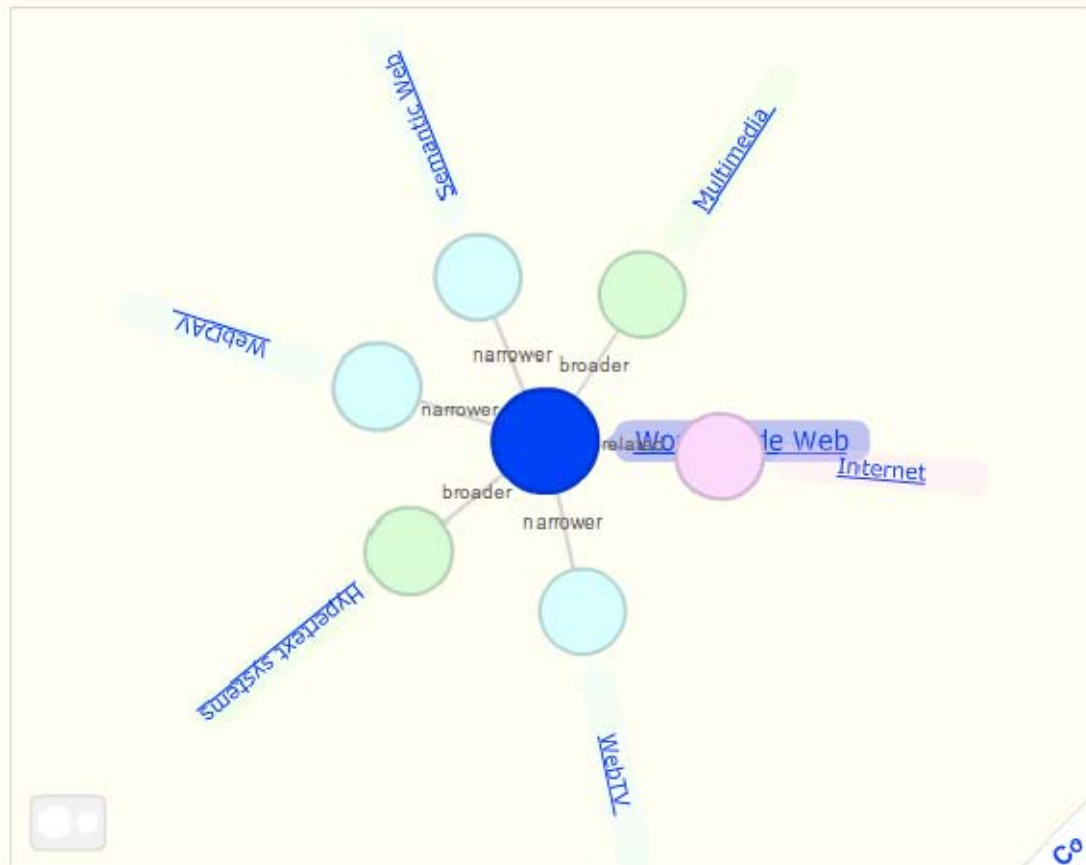
**Broader Terms:** Hypertext systems, Multimedia systems,

**Narrower Terms:** Semantic Web, WebDAV (Standard), WebTV (Trademark),

**Related Terms:** Internet,

## Editorial Notes:

- 94234135: Brown, S. The Internet via Mosaic and World Wide Web, c1994 (WWW, the Web) p. 35 (Although the WWW is primarily used on a global scale as a part of the Internet, it is feasible for a two-machine network to run the WWW client/server software)
- ASTI; Engr. index; Web. 3
- Internet publishing handbook, c1995: p. 15 (World-Wide Web system is known by





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# Knowledge Organization Systems and Search

Thursday, 11 September 2008

10:45 – 11:15 AM EDT

Presented by Jay Ven Eman, Ph.D., CEO

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# **Experiences in Mapping Multiple Vocabularies in Agriculture**

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Presented at the joint CENDI / NKOS event at the World Bank  
“New Dimensions in Knowledge Organization Systems”  
September 11, 2008



# **LCSH to NALT mapping project**

- Objectives:
  - Alignment of LCSH to NALT so that there is an automated assignment of NALT to existing and new cataloging records.
  - Creation of NALT MARC authority records with links to LCSH and make this file available on the thesaurus website.
  - Creation of SKOS file with the LCSH-NALT alignment using SKOS mapping properties

# Folksonomies and Taxonomies: Where the Two Can Meet

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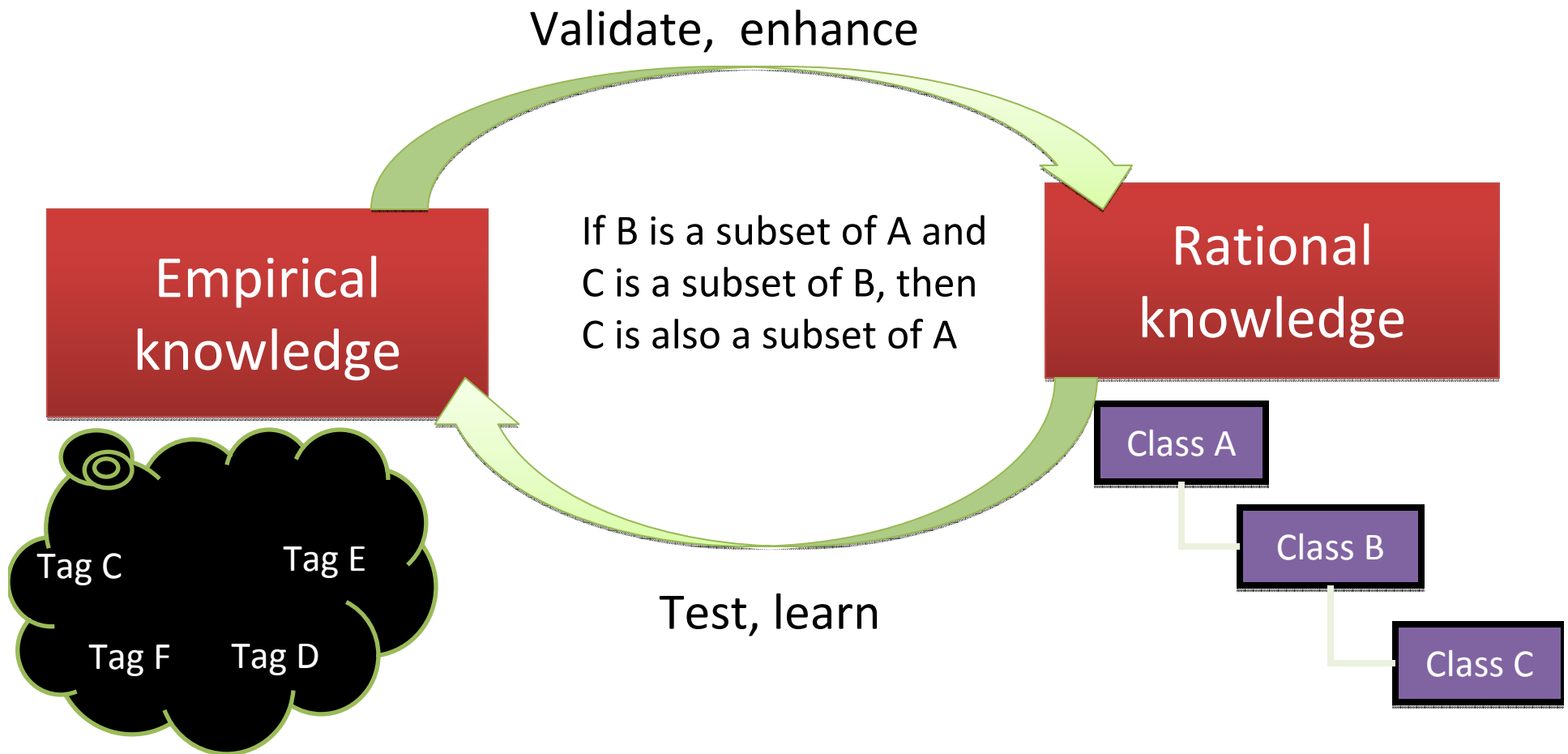
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# Where differences lie...

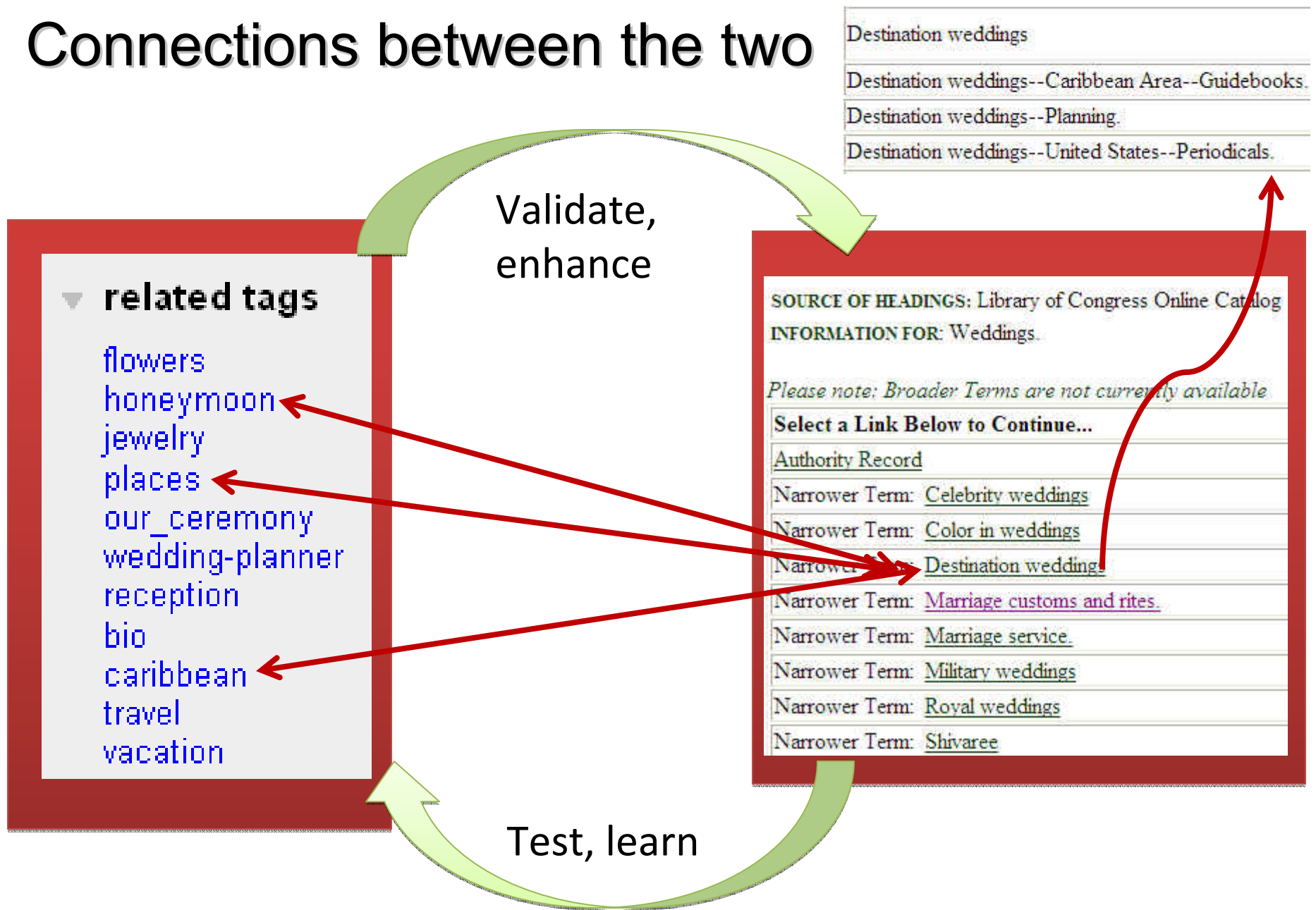
- Semantics in social spaces (empirical knowledge)
  - Empirical representation of information objects
  - *A posteriori* knowledge dependent upon sense experience
  - Contextually sophisticated
  - Covert, unorganized concepts hiding in the vast tag mines
- KOS (rational knowledge)
  - Rational representation of knowledge in information objects
  - Top-down, controlled approach
  - Formal expressions of concepts
  - Intellectual and deductive relationships among concepts



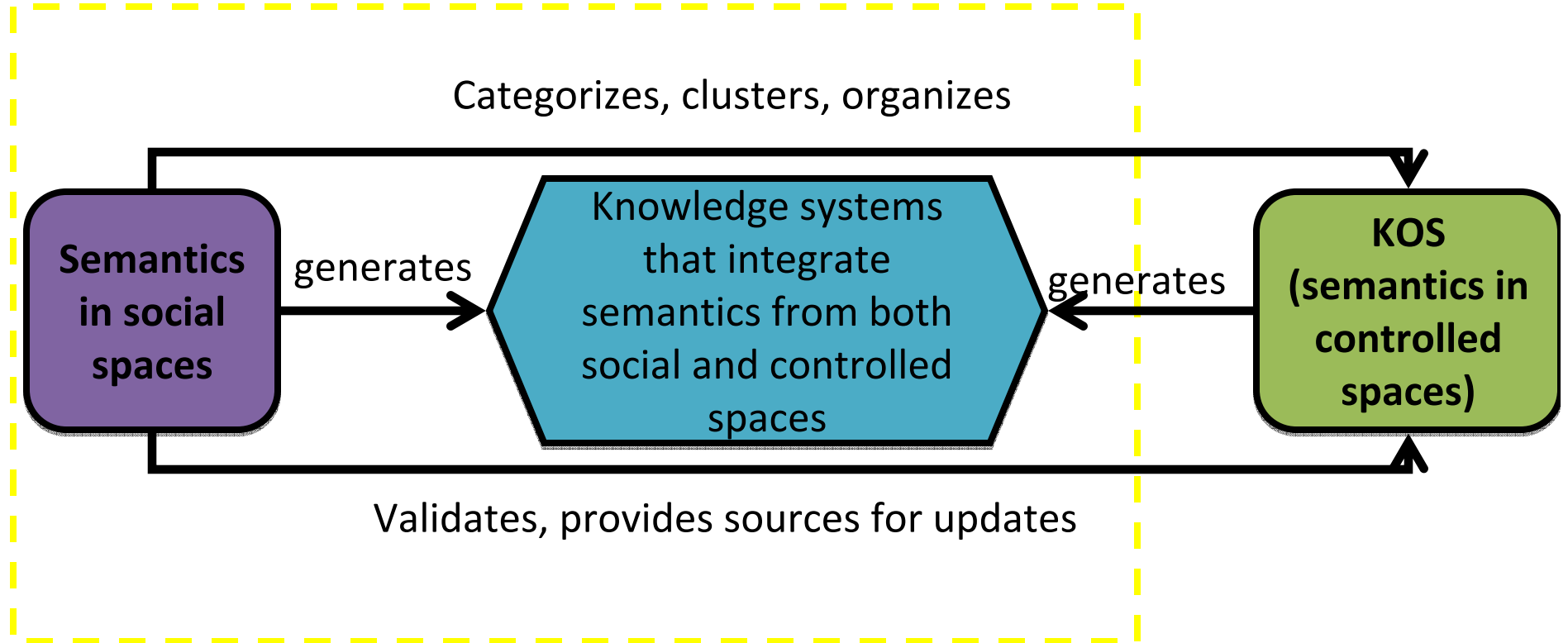
# How the two can benefit from one another



# Connections between the two



# Where the two types of semantics meet



Some examples...

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# Terminology Services

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OCLC Research

## Content

## Web Services

## Applications

### Vocabularies

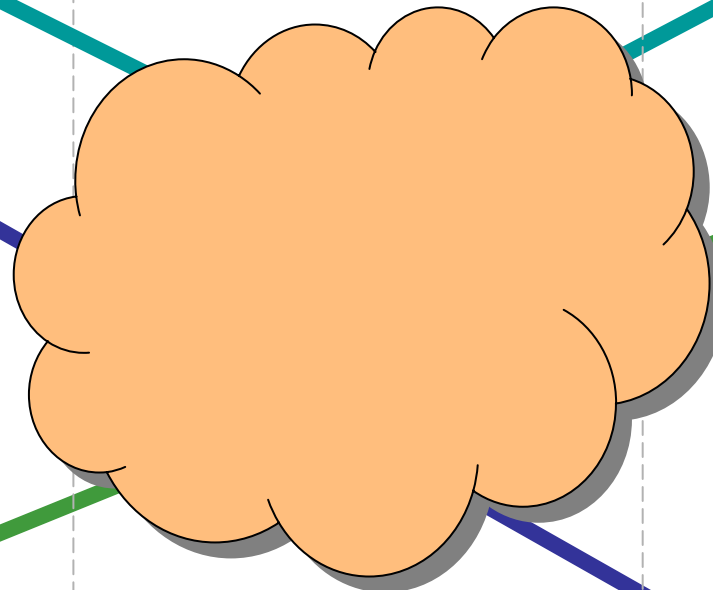
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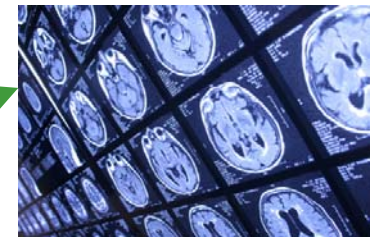
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Query Expansion



Searching Heterogeneous Collections



Metadata Creation

# Semantic MediaWiki

## A Tool for Collaborative Vocabulary Development

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# Outline

- MediaWiki – what it is, how it works
- Semantic MediaWiki – MediaWiki meets the Semantic Web
- Vocabulary Development in Semantic MediaWiki

[Online presentation only]

## INTRODUCTION

### KOS & INFORMATION STRUCTURES

I am not a member of the KOS community, but I work in a nearby field, which I call information structures. Information is a broader term than knowledge, because it includes stuff like laws, lies and ordinary conversations. Unlike organization, which is created, structures are naturally occurring systems of relations. However, organization of knowledge is often based on selecting a relational structure. The scientific question I am pursuing is “what are all the important ways in which pieces of information are related?”

What follows is a sketch of a case study plus a few sentences about my general theory of information structure. The case study is something we call OSTI's Science Word Web. It is presently used to help people find search terms, but we will look at its beautiful structure, which is rather like a sailing ship. This is all very introductory so anyone who wants to know more should contact me personally.

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# Open Ontology Repository Initiative

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# What is the OOR Initiative?

- **Open** = accessible, minimal intellectual property encumbrances on the ontologies, preferably open source code for the repository
- **Ontology** = formal conceptualization (degree of formalization may vary: frames, graphs (RDF), logic (OWL-DL, Common Logic, ...))
- **Repository** = collection of ontologies, related materials, support for storage, retrieval, integration, etc.
- **Initiative** = group/effort to create OOR

# Goals of OOR Initiative

- To promote global use and sharing of ontologies by:
  - Establishing a hosted registry-repository;
  - Enabling open, federated, collaborative ontology repositories, and
  - Establishing best practices for expressing interoperable ontologies and taxonomies in repositories.

*Semantic Interoperability in  
caBIG<sup>TM</sup> Leveraging  
Vocabulary,  
Metadata Registries and Models*

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## Grammar + Concepts

What is it?

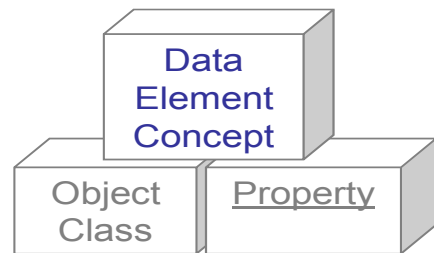
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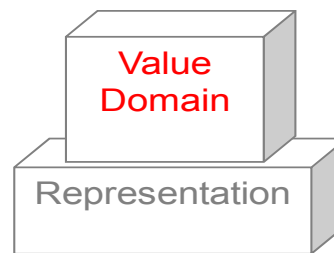
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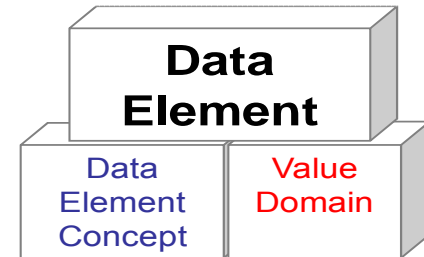
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