

Main Components

Applications

Build Ontologies

**Methodologies and
Methods**

Technological Support

Lenguajes

Reasoners

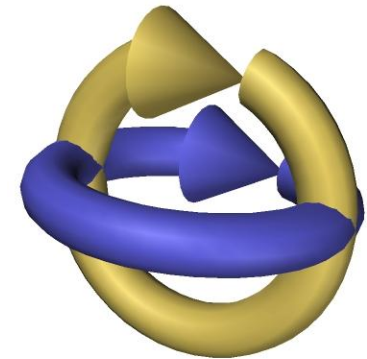
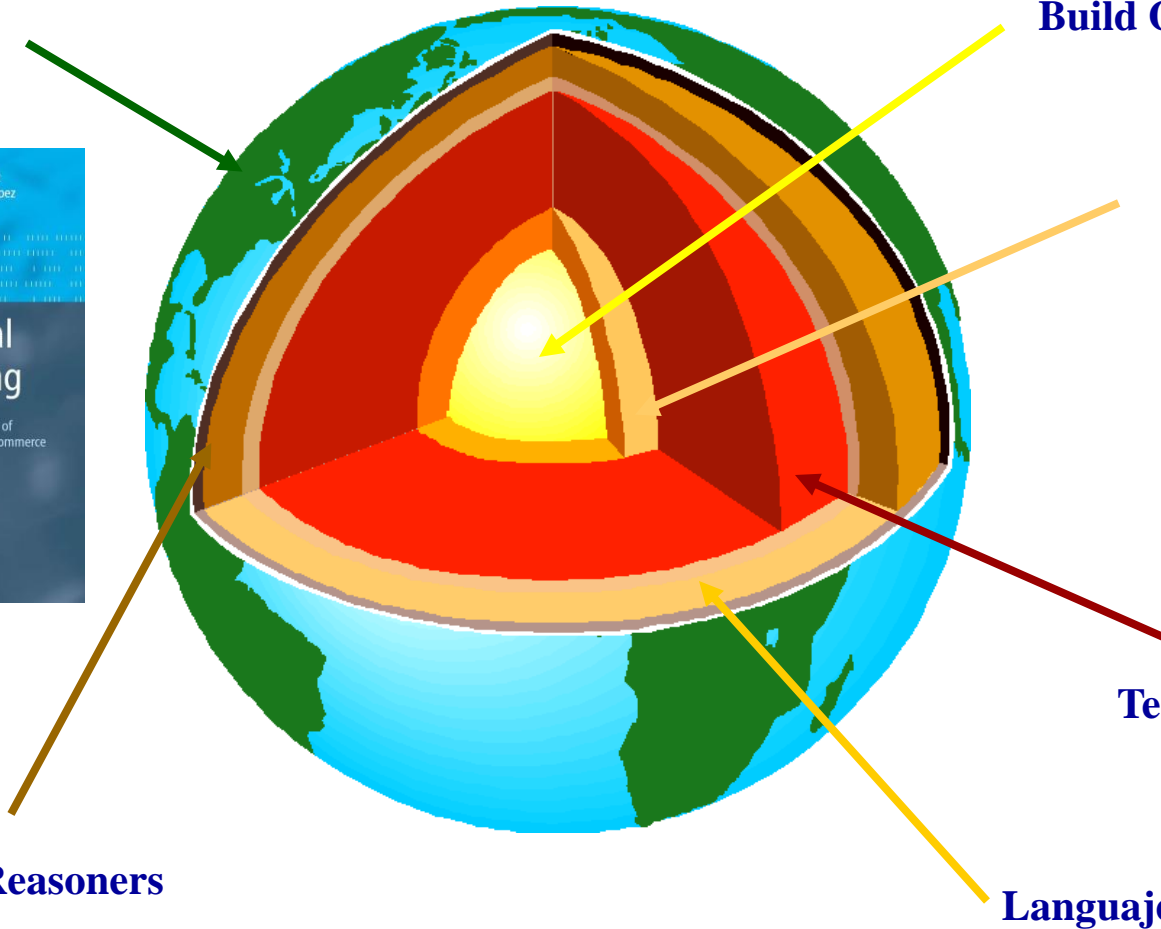
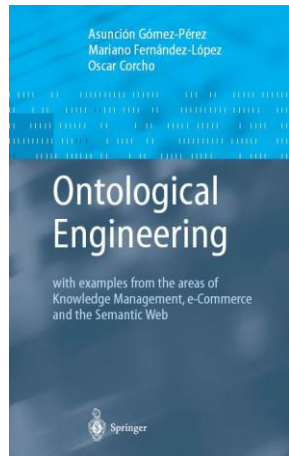


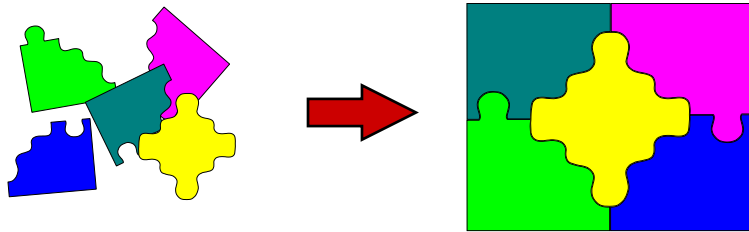
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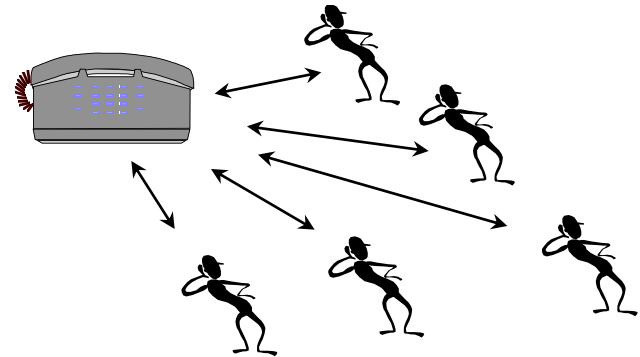
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Reuse and Sharing

Reuse means to build new applications assembling components already built



Sharing is when different applications use the same resources



Advantages:

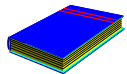
- Less money
- Less time
- Less resources

Areas:

- Software
- **Knowledge**
- Communications
- Interfaces
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The knowledge Sharing Initiative

“Building new Knowledge Based Systems today usually entails constructing new knowledge bases from scratch. It could instead be done by **assembling reusable components**. System developers would then only need to worry about **creating the specialized knowledge and reasoners** new to the specific task of their systems. This new system would **interoperate with existing systems**, using them to perform some of its reasoning. In this way, **declarative knowledge, problem-solving techniques, and reasoning services could all be shared** between systems. This approach would facilitate building bigger and better systems cheaply. The infrastructure to support such sharing and reuse would lead to greater ubiquity of these systems, potentially transforming the knowledge industry ...”



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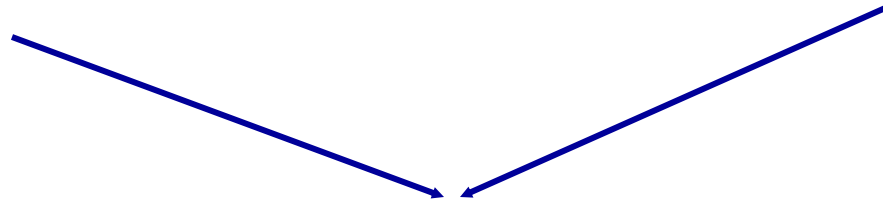
Reusable Knowledge Components

Ontologies

Describe **domain knowledge** in a generic way
and provide agreed understanding of a domain

Problem Solving Methods

Describe the **reasoning process** of a KBS in
an implementation and domain-independent manner

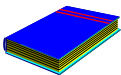


Interaction Problem

Representing Knowledge for the purpose of solving some problem

is strongly affected by the nature of the problem

and the inference strategy to be applied to the problem [Bylander et al., 88]



Bylander Chandrasekaran, B. **Generic Tasks in knowledge-based reasoning.: the right level of abstraction for knowledge acquisition.**
In B.R. Gaines and J. H. Boose, EDs *Knowledge Acquisition for Knowledge Based systems*, 65-77, London: Academic Press 1988.

Ingeniería Ontológica

**Conjunto de actividades relativas al
proceso de desarrollo de ontologías
su ciclo de vida,
métodos y metodologías para construirlas,
y el conjunto de herramientas y lenguajes
en los que se implementan**

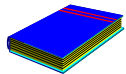
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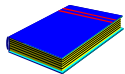
Definitions of Ontologies (I)

1. “An ontology defines the **basic terms** and **relations** comprising the vocabulary of a topic area, as well as the **rules for combining** terms and relations to define extensions to the vocabulary”



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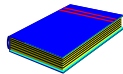
2. “An ontology is an explicit specification of a conceptualization”



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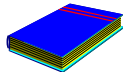
Definitions of Ontologies (II)

3. An ontology is a hierarchically structured set of terms for describing a domain that can be used as a **skeletal foundation** for a knowledge base.



B. Swartout; R. Patil; k. Knight; T. Russ. *Toward Distributed Use of Large-Scale Ontologies*
Ontological Engineering. AAAI-97 Spring Symposium Series. 1997. 138-148.

4. An ontology provides the means for describing explicitly the conceptualization behind the knowledge represented in a knowledge base.



A. Bernaras; I. Laresgoiti; J. Herrera. *Building and Reusing Ontologies for Electrical Network Applications*
ECAI96. 12th European conference on Artificial Intelligence. Ed. John Wiley & Sons, Ltd. 298-302.

Definitions of Ontologies (III)

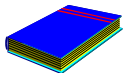
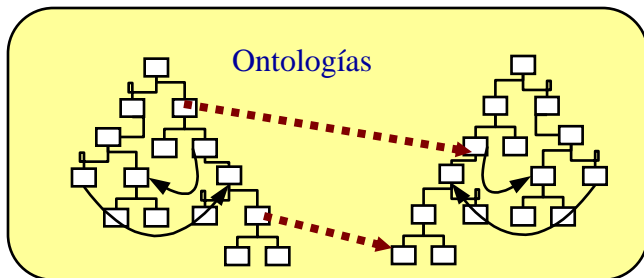
5. “An ontology is a formal, explicit specification of a **shared conceptualization**”

Machine-readable

Consensual
Knowledge

Concepts, properties
relations, functions,
constraints, axioms,
are explicitly defined

Abstract model and
simplified view of some
phenomenon in the world
that we want to represent



Studer, Benjamins, Fensel. **Knowledge Engineering: Principles and Methods. Data and Knowledge Engineering.** 25 (1998) 161-197

Definitions of Ontologies (IV)

Lightweight Ontologies :

- Include Concepts with properties and Taxonomies
- Do not include Axioms and constraints.

Heavyweight Ontologies :

- Include all the components
- Excellent!! If they have a lot of axioms.

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Components of an Ontology

Concepts are organized in **taxonomies**

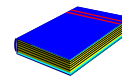
Relations $R: C_1 \times C_2 \times \dots \times C_{n-1} \times C_n$

Subclass-of: Concept 1 x Concept2
Connected to: Component1 x Component2

Functions $F: C_1 \times C_2 \times \dots \times C_{n-1} \rightarrow C_n$

Mother-of: Person \rightarrow Women
Price of a used car: Model x Year x Kilometers \rightarrow Price

Instances **Elements**



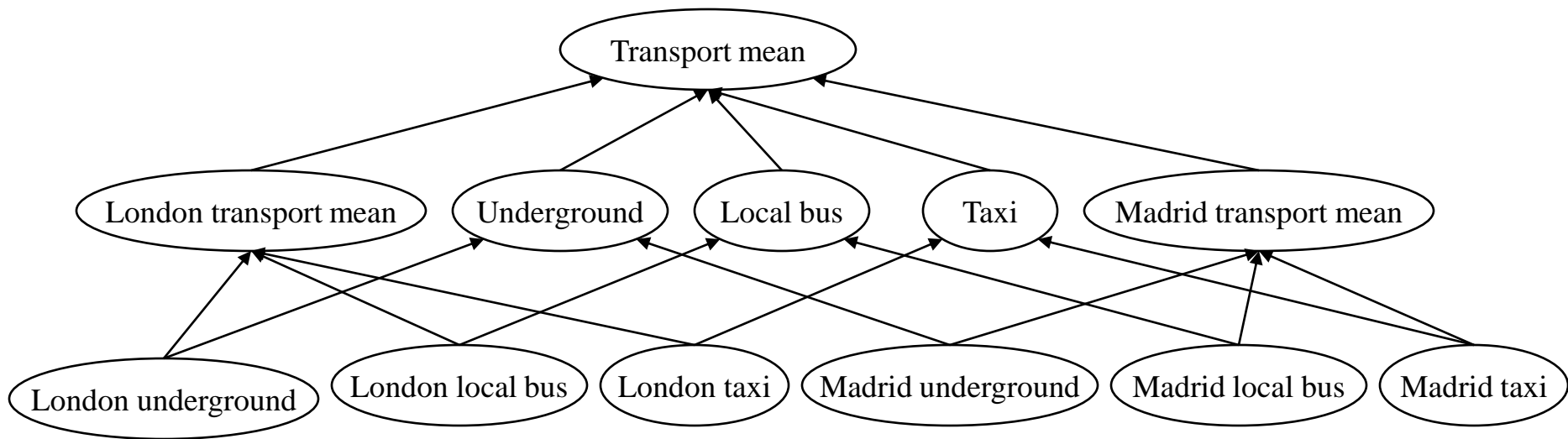
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Axioms **Sentences which are always true**

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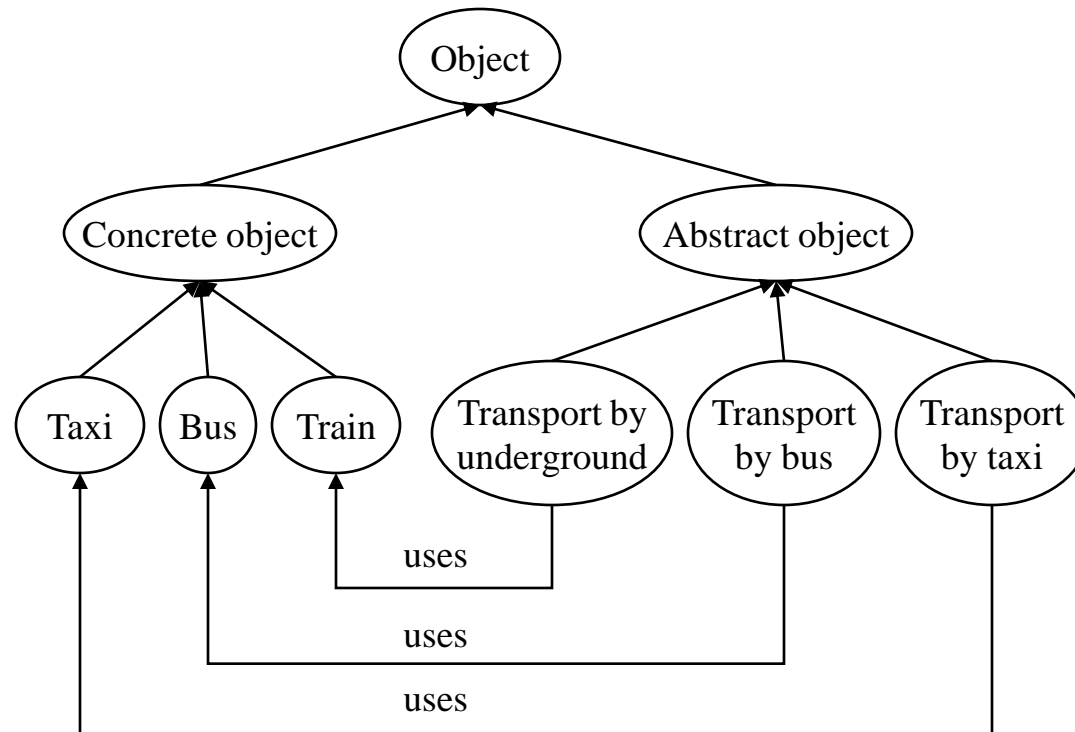
Strategies for building taxonomies:

Bottom up strategy



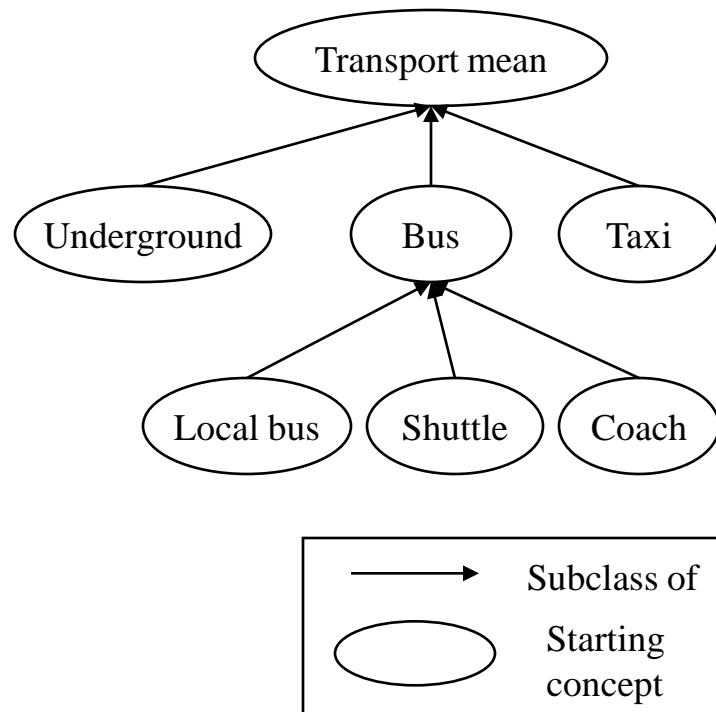
Strategies for building taxonomies:

Top Down strategy



Strategies for building taxonomies:

Middle out strategy



Primitivas necesarias para modelizar conocimientos disjuntos en taxonomías



class-Partition: Conjunto de clases que son disjuntas entre sí

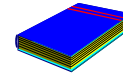
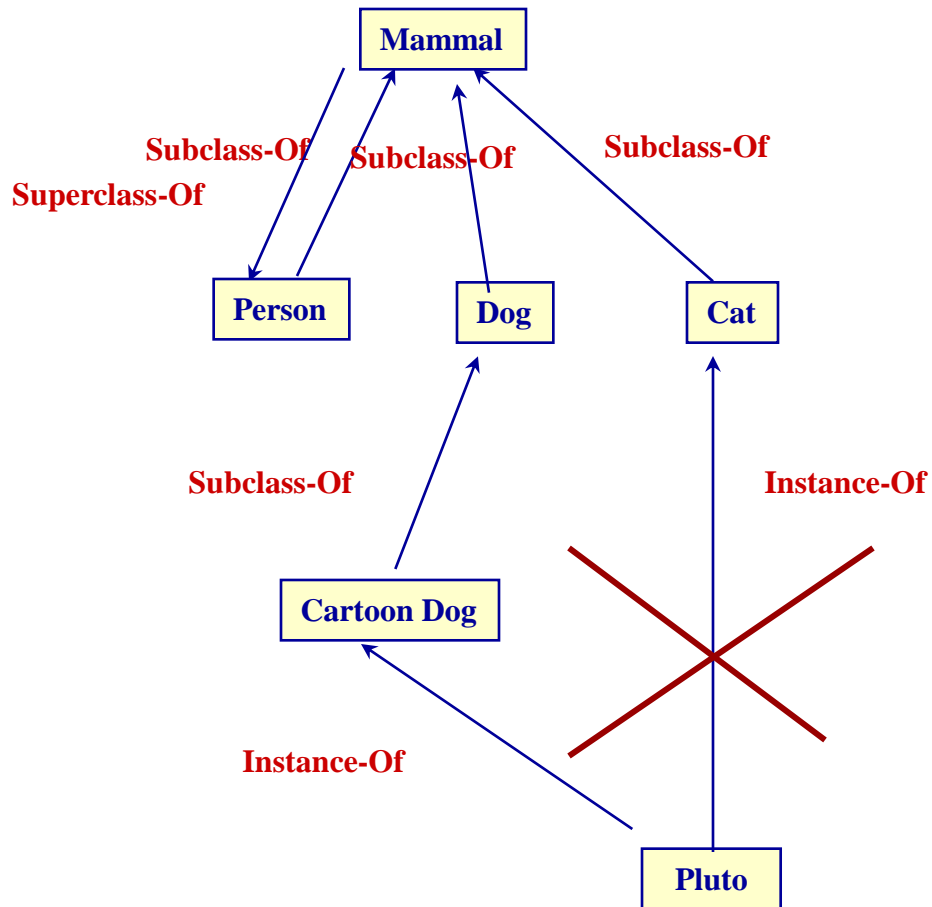


Disjoint: un conjunto de clases que son disjuntas entre sí son subclase de una clase padre



Exhaustive-Disjoint: un conjunto de clases que son disjuntas entre sí son subclase de una clase padre y el conjunto de clases definen completamente a la clase padre.

Why disjoint knowledge is important (I)



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International Journal of Intelligent Systems.
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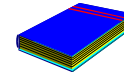
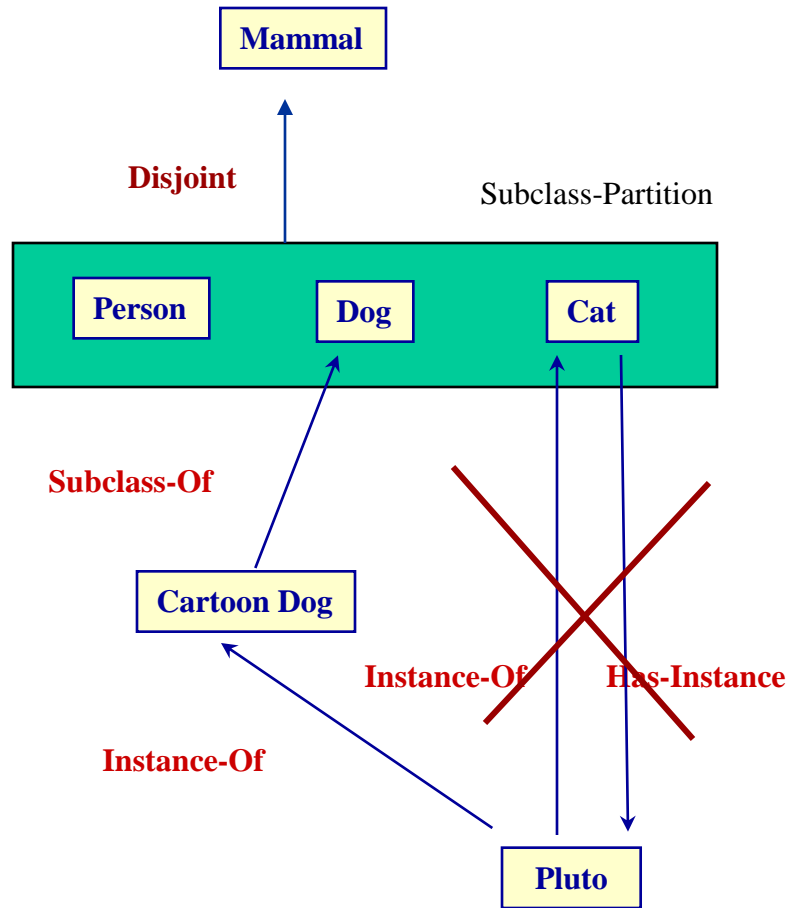


Pluto could be an instance of cat and dog



Semantic Error

Why disjoint knowledge is important (II)

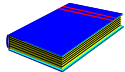
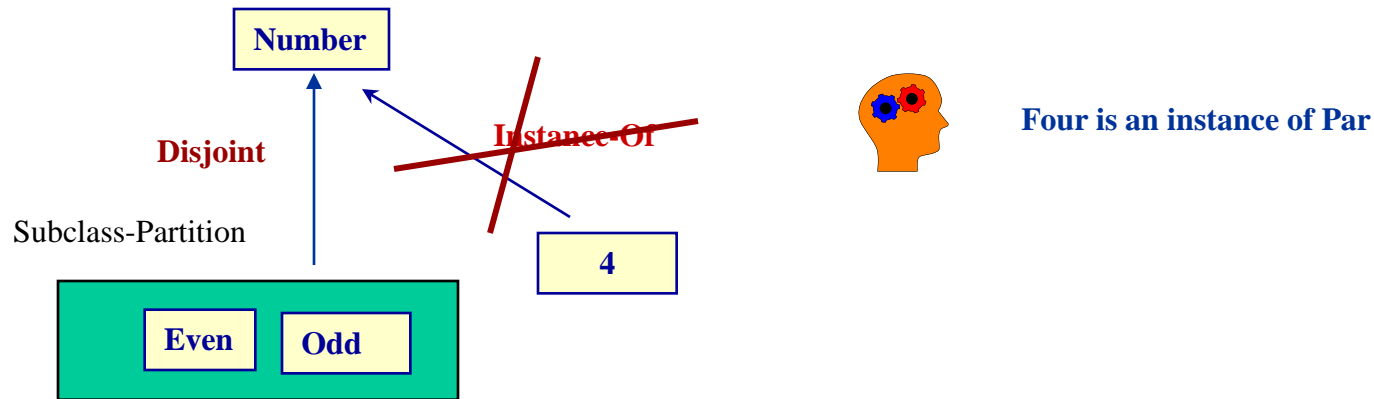


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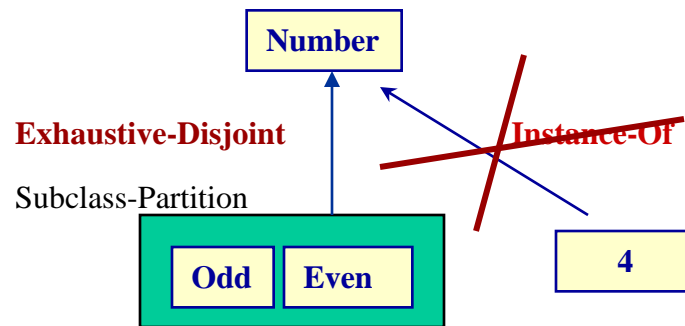
Pluto can not be simultaneously a class of **Cat** and **Dog** because they are disjoint

Why disjoint knowledge is important (III)



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Why disjoint knowledge is important (IV)



Four is an instance of **something** in the partition

Propiedades

Que se definen en la clase

Son Atributos del concepto o clase

Se definen y rellenan en la clase

El valor es el mismo para todas los individuos

Que se definen en la clase y se rellenan en la Instancia

Atributos específicos de cada individuo

Se definen en el marco clase

Se rellenan en el marco instanciado

En cada individuo puede tomar un valor diferente

Example of axioms

```
(define-axiom No-Train-from-USA-to-Europe
  "It is not possible to travel from the USA to Europe by train"
  := (forall (?travel)
      (forall (?city1)
        (forall (?city2)
          (=> (and (Travel ?travel)
                  (arrivalPlace ?travel ?city1)
                  (departurePlace ?travel ?city2)
                  (EuropeanLocation ?city1)
                  (USALocation ?city2))
              (not (TrainTravel ?travel)))))))

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                  (arrivalPlace ?travel ?city1)
                  (departurePlace ?travel ?city2)
                  (or (and (EuropeanLocation ?city1)
                          (USALocation ?city2))
                      (and (EuropeanLocation ?city2)
                          (USALocation ?city1))))
              (not (TrainTravel ?travel)))))))
```

Travel Protégé 3.1 beta (file:/Users/natasha/Library/Mail%20Downloads/Travel.pprj, Protégé Files (.pont and .pins))

Classes Slots Forms Instances Queries

CLASS BROWSER

For Project: ● Travel

Class Hierarchy

- :THING
 - :SYSTEM-CLASS
 - Travel
 - Flight
 - American Airways Flight
 - AA7462
 - AA2010
 - AA0488
 - British Airways Flight
 - Iberia Flight
 - Ship
 - Train Travel
 - Location
 - European Location
 - African Location

Superclasses

- :THING

CLASS EDITOR

For Class: ● Travel (instance of :STANDARD-CLASS)

Name

Travel

Documentation

A journey from place to place

Constraints

◆ No Train from USA to Europe

Role

Concrete ●

Template Slots

Name	Cardinality	Type	Other Facets
arrival Date	required single	Instance of Date	
arrival Place	required single	Instance of Location	
company Name	multiple	String	
departure Date	required single	Instance of Date	
departure Place	required single	Instance of Location	
single Fare	single	Float	
NAME	required single	String	



Show Term Properties

Graphical Taxonomy Edition

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☐ Camping

☐ Hotel

☒ Travel

☐ Flight

☐ American Airlines f

☐ AA0488

☐ AA2010

☐ AA7462

☐ British Airways flight

☐ Iberia flight

☐ Train Travel

☐ Ship

☐ Travel package



Instance Attribute Name	Description	Value Type	Cardinality	Measurement Unit	Precision	Value Interval
arrival Date	Date of arrival of the trip	Date	(0, 1)			
company Name	Transportation company or companies in charge of a trip	String	(0, N)			
departure Date	Date of departure of the trip	Date	(0, 1)			
single Fare	Fare of a single ticket	Float	(0, 1)	US Dollar	0.01	0 -

Term Name

Travel

Instance Attribute Name

return fare

Description

Fare of a return ticket

Value Type

Float

Minimum-Maximum Cardinality

0 1

Measurement Unit

US Dollar

Precision

0.01

Minimum Value

0

Maximum Value

Browsing area

Edition area

Using Frames and First Order Logic for Modeling Ontologies

```
(define-class Travel (?travel)
  "A journey from place to place"
:axiom-def
  (and (Superclass-Of Travel Flight)
    (Template-Facet-Value Cardinality
      arrivalDate Travel 1)
    (Template-Facet-Value Cardinality
      departureDate Travel 1)
    (Template-Facet-Value Maximum-Cardinality
      singleFare Travel 1))
:def
  (and (arrivalDate ?travel Date)
    (departureDate ?travel Date)
    (singleFare ?travel Number)
    (companyName ?travel String)))
```

```
(define-instance AA7462-Feb-08-2002 (AA7462)
:def ((singleFare AA7462-Feb-08-2002 300)
  (departureDate AA7462-Feb-08-2002 Feb8-2002)
  (arrivalPlace AA7462-Feb-08-2002 Seattle)))
```

```
(define-function Pays (?room ?discount) :-> ?finalPrice
  "Price of the room after applying the discount"
:def (and (Room ?room) (Number ?discount)
  (Number ?finalPrice)
  (Price ?room ?price))
:lambda-body
  (- ?price (/ (* ?price ?discount) 100)))
```

```
(define-relation connects (?edge ?source ?target)
  "This relation links a source and a target by an edge.
  The source and destination are considered as spatial
  points. The relation has the following properties: symmetry
  and irreflexivity."
:def (and (SpatialPoint ?source)
  (SpatialPoint ?target)
  (Edge ?edge))
:axiom-def
  ((=> (connects ?edge ?source ?target)
    (connects ?edge ?target ?source)) ;symmetry
  (=> (connects ?edge ?source ?target)
    (not (or (part-of ?source ?target) ;irreflexivity
      (part-of ?target ?source))))))
```

Using Description Logics for Modeling Ontologies

```
(defconcept Travel
  "A journey from place to place"
  :is-primitive
  (:and
    (:all arrivalDate Date)(:exactly 1 arrivalDate)
    (:all departureDate Date)(:exactly 1
departureDate)
    (:all companyName String)
    (:all singleFare Number)(:at-most singleFare 1)))
```

```
(tellm (AA7462 AA7462-08-Feb-2002)
  (singleFare AA7462-08-Feb-2002 300)
  (departureDate AA7462-08-Feb-2002 Feb8-2002)
  (arrivalPlace AA7462-08-Feb-2002 Seattle))
```

```
(defrelation Pays
  :is
    (:function (?room ?Discount)
      (- (Price ?room) (/(* (Price ?room) ?Discount) 100)))
  :domains (Room Number)
  :range Number)
```

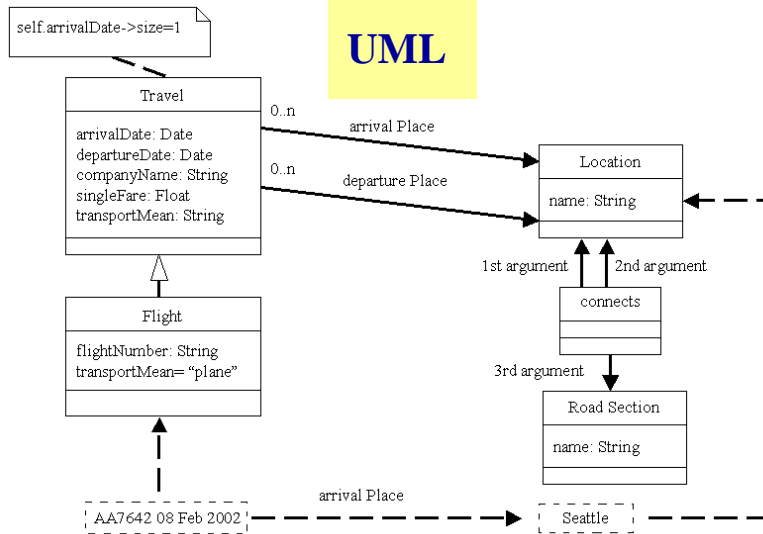
```
(defrelation connects
  "A road connects two different cities"
  :arity 3
  :domains (Location Location)
  :range RoadSection
  :predicate
    ((?city1 ?city2 ?road)
     (:not (part-of ?city1 ?city2))
     (:not (part-of ?city2 ?city1))
     (:or (:and (start ?road ?city1)(end ?road ?city2))
          (:and (start ?road ?city2)(end ?road ?city1)))))
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Different Approaches to Build Ontologies

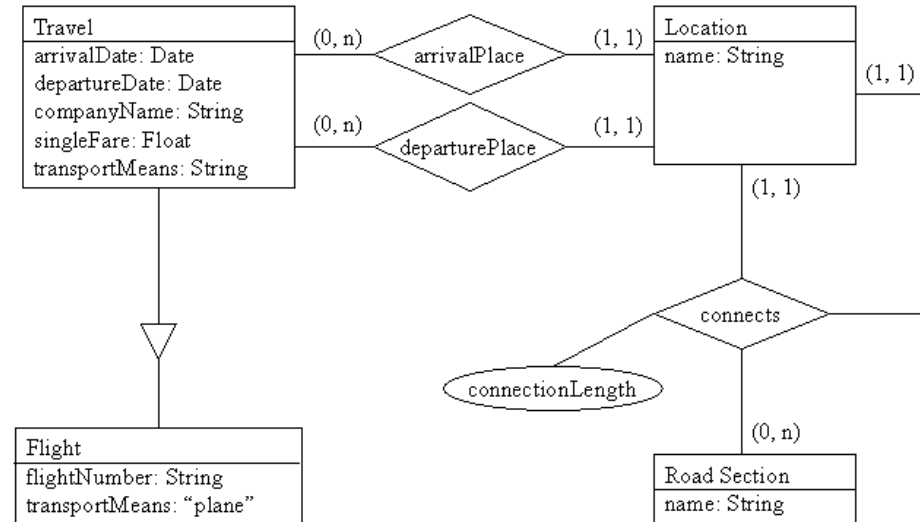
- The formalism and the language limit the kind of knowledge that can be represented
- All the aforementioned formalisms allow representing: classes, organized in class taxonomies, attributes, and binary relations
- Only AI formalisms are specially prepared to model formal axioms either as independent components in the ontology or embedded in other components
- A domain model is not necessarily an ontology only because it is written in Ontolingua or OWL, for the same reasons that we cannot say that a program is a knowledge-based system because it is written in Prolog
- Although some languages are more appropriate than others to represent ontologies, a model is an ontology only if it is agreed and machine readable

Approaches for building ontologies

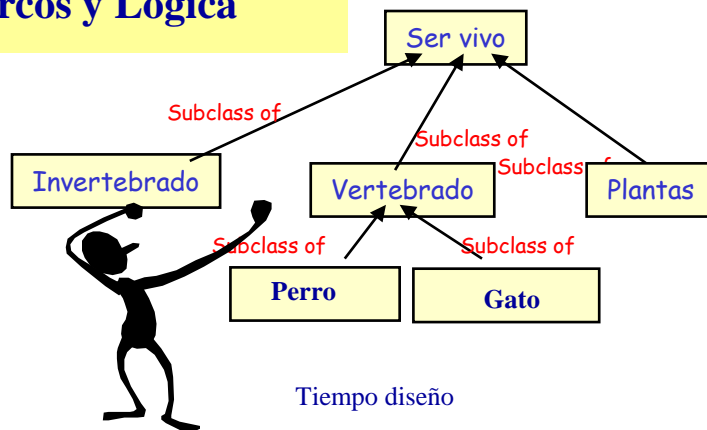
UML



Modelo entidad Relación



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Lógicas Descriptivas

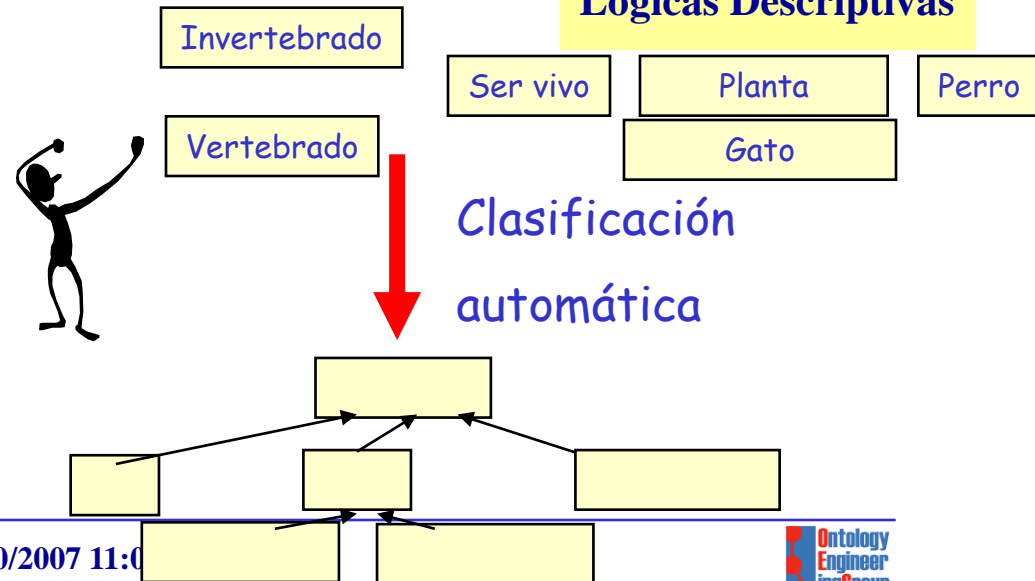


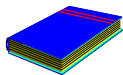
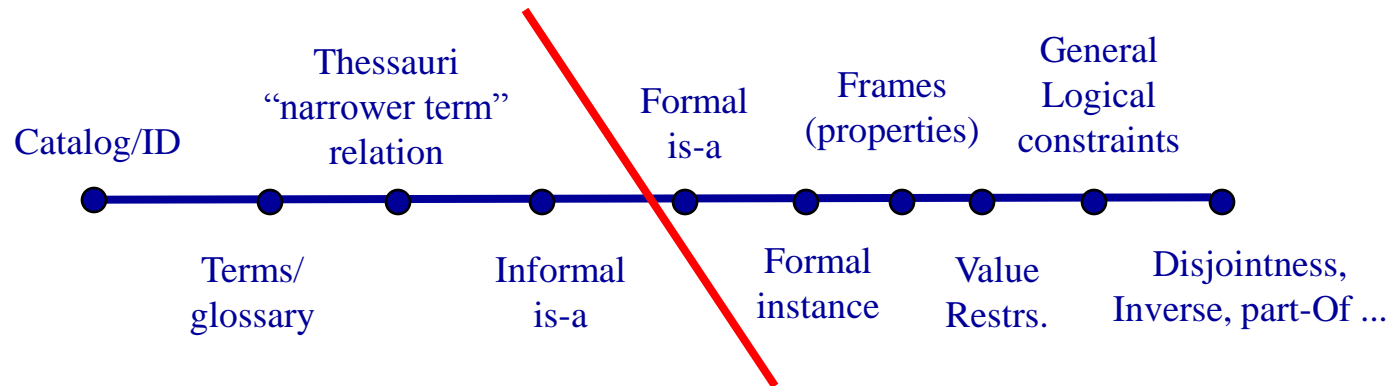
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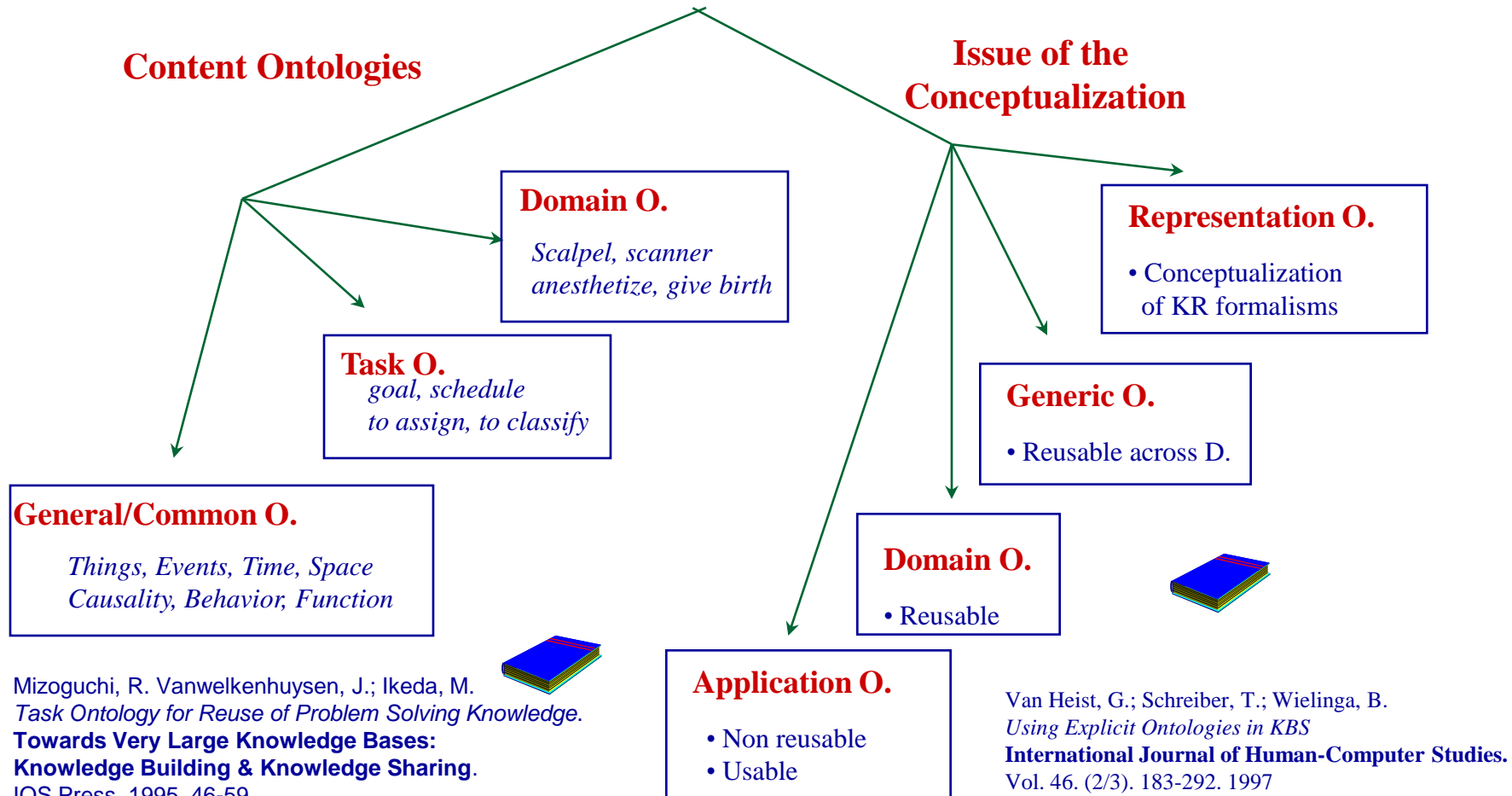
Types of Ontologies

Lassila and McGuinness Classification



Lassila O, McGuinness D. The Role of Frame-Based Representation on the Semantic Web. Technical Report. Knowledge Systems Laboratory. Stanford University. KSL-01-02. 2001.

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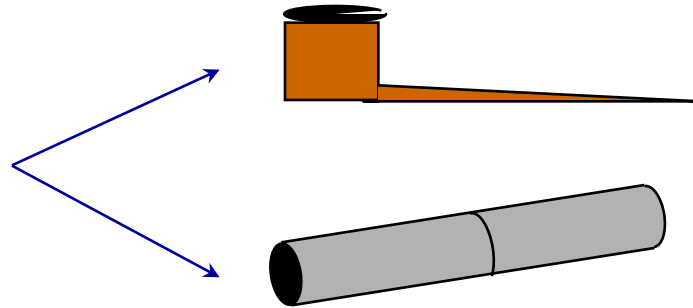
Ontological Commitments

Agreements to use the vocabulary in a coherent and consistent manner (Gruber)

Connection between the ontology vocabulary and the meaning of the terms of such vocabulary

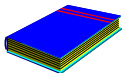
An agent commits (conforms) to an ontology if it “acts” consistently with the definitions

Example: What is a pipe?



9 definitions of the term flight from wordnet

Identification of the ontological commitment



- Gruber, T.; Olsen, G. *An Ontology for Engineering Mathematics*.
Fourth International Conference on Principles of Knowledge Representation and Reasoning.
Ed by Doyle and Torasso. Morgan Kaufmann. 1994. Also as KSL-94-18.
- Guarino, N.; Carrara, M.; Giaretta, P. *Formalizing Ontological Commitments*.
12th National Conference on Artificial Intelligence. AAAI-94. 1994. 560-567

Ontological Commitments

The logo for WordNet, featuring the word "WordNet" in a stylized, green, handwritten-style font.

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WordNet 1.6 overview for "flight"

The **noun** "flight" has 9 senses in WordNet.

1. **flight** – (a formation of aircraft in flight)
2. **flight**, flying – (an instance of traveling by air; "flying was still an exciting adventure for him")
3. **flight**, flight of stairs, flight of steps – (a set of steps between one floor or landing and the next)
4. escape, **flight** – (the act of escaping physically, "he made his escape from the mental hospital", "the canary escaped from its cage", "his flight was an indication of his guilt")
5. **flight** – (a unit of the US air force smaller than a squadron)
6. **flight** – (passing above and beyond ordinary bounds, "a flight of fancy", "flights or rhetoric", "flights of imagination")
7. trajectory, **flight** – (the path followed by a moving object)
8. **flight** – (a flock of flying birds)
9. **flight** – (a scheduled trip by plane between designated airports, "I took the noon flight to Chicago")

A formation of aircraft in flight



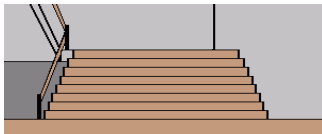
A scheduled trip by plane between designated airports

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Iberia IB 6741	Barajas (MAD), Madrid, España	Eldorado (BOG), Bogotá, Colombia
Aces VX 7290	Eldorado (BOG), Bogotá, Colombia	Rafael Nunez (CTG), Cartagena, Colombia
Iberia IB 545	Santiago (SCQ), Santiago, España	Barajas (MAD), Madrid, España
Iberia IB 6741	Barajas (MAD), Madrid, España	Eldorado (BOG), Bogotá, Colombia
Aces VX 7290	Eldorado (BOG), Bogotá, Colombia	Rafael Nunez (CTG), Cartagena, Colombia

An instance of traveling by air



A set or steps between one floor or landing for him



The act of escaping physically



A unit of the US air force smaller than a squadron



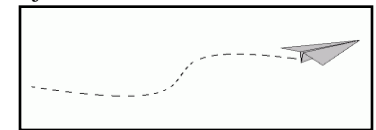
Passing above and beyond ordinary bounds



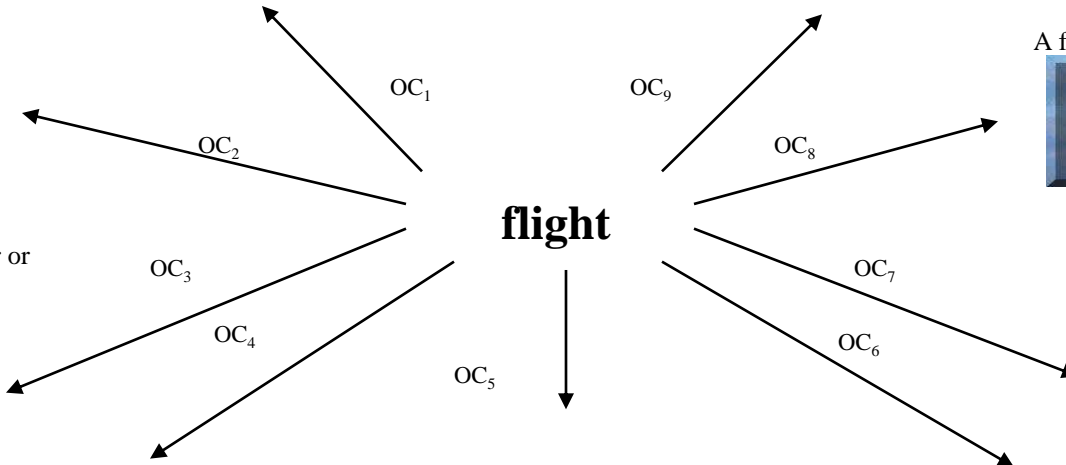
A flock of flying birds



The path followed by a moving object



flight



(define-class Flight (?X)
 "A journey by plane"
 :axiom-def
 (and (Subclass-Of Flight Travel)
 (Template-Facet-Value Cardinality
 flightNumber Flight 1))
 :class-slots ((transportMeans "plane"))))

flight

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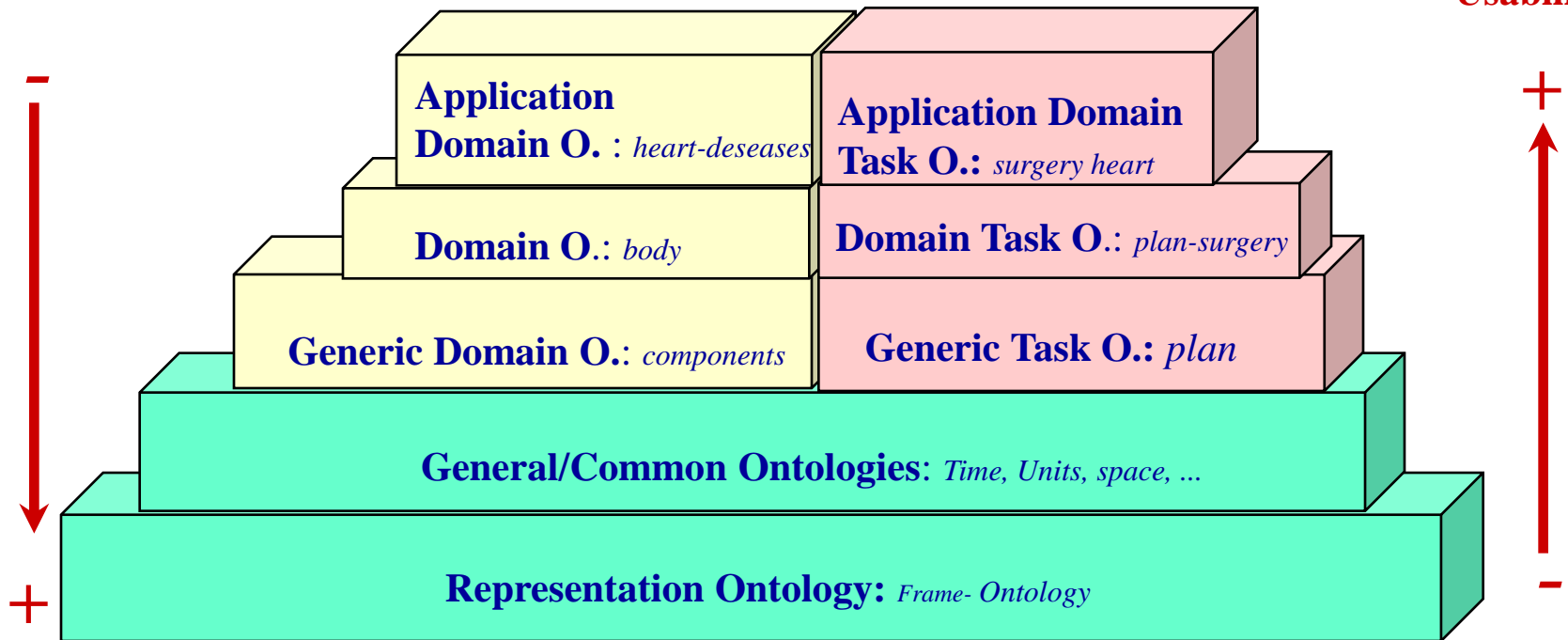
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Libraries of Ontologies

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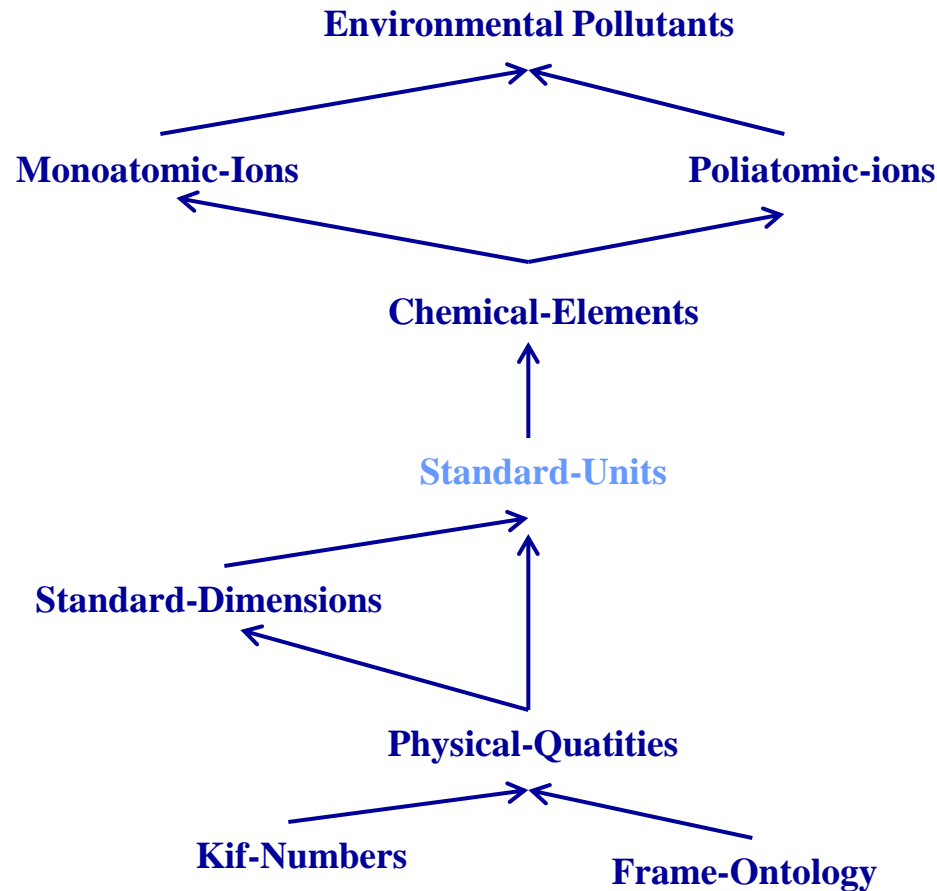
Reusability

Usability



<http://delicias.dia.fi.upm.es/mirror-server/ont-serv.html>

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Ontology Searching in Ontology Metadata Repositories

Ontology to describe ontology metadata information

- OMV – Ontology Metadata Vocabulary (<http://ontoware.org/projects/omv>)
- Knowledge Zone vocabulary (<http://tinyurl.com/qfp2s>)

4 Ontology Metadata Repositories

- Oyster (P2P system , <http://oyster.ontoware.org>)
- ONTHOLOGY.org (centralized, <http://www.onthology.org/>)
- Knowledge Zone (centralized, <http://smiprotege.stanford.edu:8080/KnowledgeZone/>)
- Swoogle (<http://swoogle.umbc.edu/>



knowledge zone one stop shop for ontologies

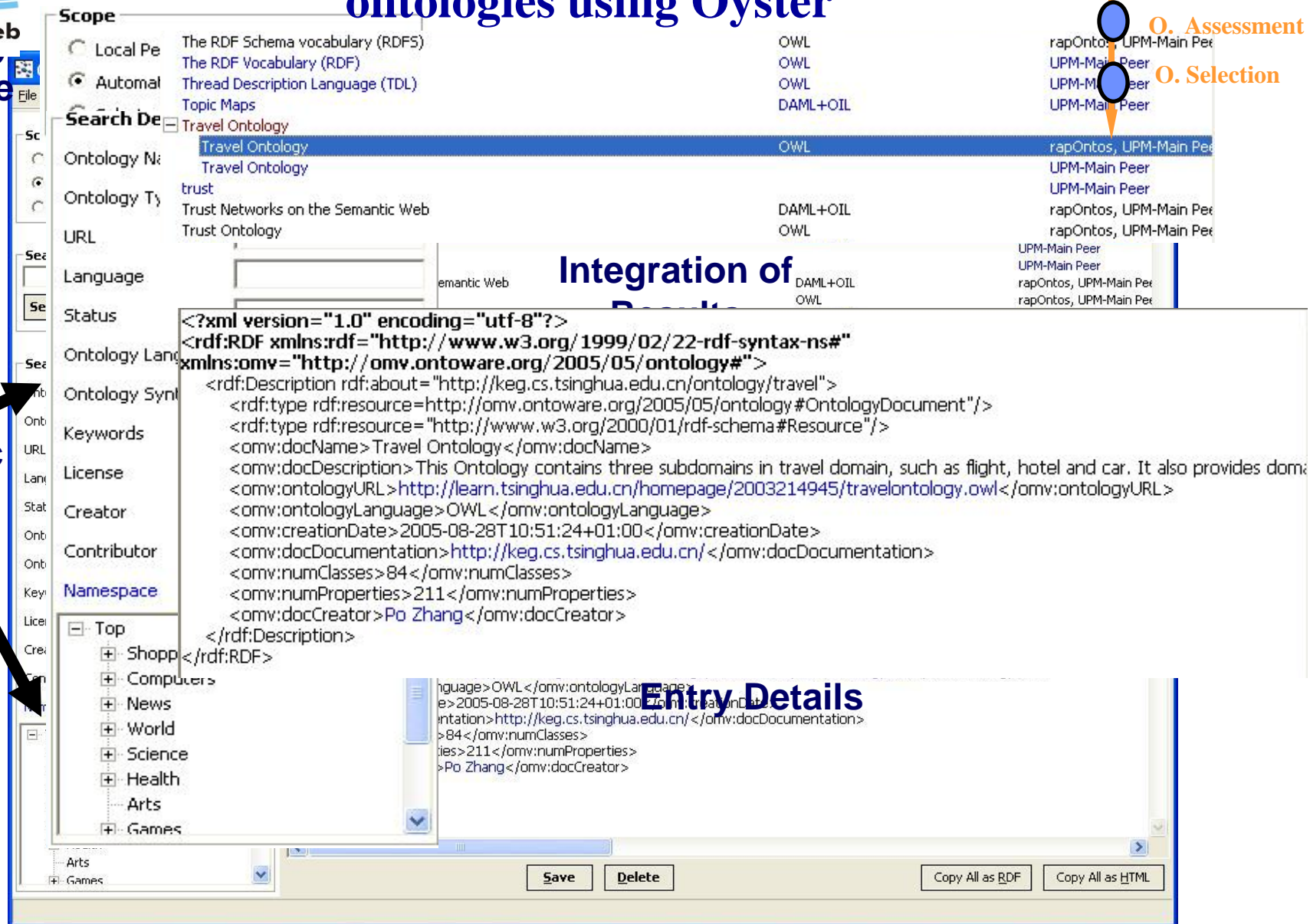
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Semantic Search



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- ☐ Contributor
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- ☐ Computers
- ☐ News
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- ☐ Science
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- ☐ Arts
- ☐ Games

Integration of

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Knowledge Representation Ontologies

•The Frame Ontology and the OKBC Ontology

(<http://ontolingua.stanford.edu>)



•Gruber TR (1993a) *A translation approach to portable ontology specification*. Knowledge Acquisition 5(2):199–220

•Chaudhri VK, Farquhar A, Fikes R, Karp PD, Rice JP (1998) *Open Knowledge Base Connectivity 2.0.3*. Technical Report. <http://www.ai.sri.com/~okbc/okbc-2-0-3.pdf>

•RDF and RDF Schema knowledge representation ontologies

(<http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns>

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Lassila O, Swick R (1999) *Resource Description Framework (RDF) Model and Syntax Specification*. W3C Recommendation. <http://www.w3.org/TR/REC-rdf-syntax/>

•OIL knowledge representation ontology

(<http://www.ontoknowledge.org/oil/rdf-schema/2000/11/10-oil-standard>)



Horrocks I, Fensel D, Harmelen F, Decker S, Erdmann M, Klein M (2000) *OIL in a Nutshell*. In: Dieng R, Corby O (eds) 12th International Conference in Knowledge Engineering and Knowledge Management (EKAW'00). Juan-Les-Pins, France. (Lecture Notes in Artificial Intelligence LNAI 1937) Springer-Verlag, Berlin, Germany, pp 1–16

•DAML+OIL knowledge representation ontology

(<http://www.daml.org/2001/03/daml+oil>)



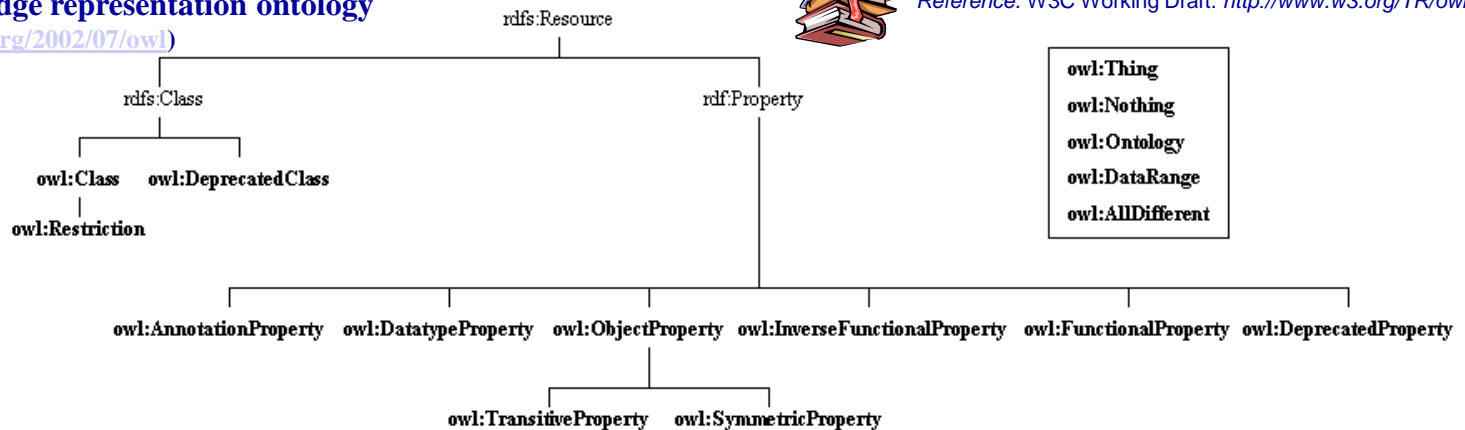
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•OWL knowledge representation ontology

(<http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl>)



Dean M, Schreiber G (2003) *OWL Web Ontology Language Reference*. W3C Working Draft. <http://www.w3.org/TR/owl-ref/>




Class hierarchy (23 classes defined):

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Definition of the relation **SUBCLASS-OF** in the Frame Ontology

(define-relation Subclass-Of (?child-class ?parent-class)

"Class C is a subclass of parent class P if and only if every instance of C is also an instance of P. A class may have multiple superclasses and subclasses. Subclass-of is transitive: if (subclass-of C1 C2) and (subclass-of C2 C3) then (subclass-of C1 C3). Object-centered systems sometimes distinguish between a subclass-of relationship that is asserted and one that is inferred. For example, (subclass-of C1 C3) might be inferred from asserting (subclass-of C1 C2) and (subclass-of C2 C3)..."

:iff-def

```
(and (Class ?parent-class)
      (Class ?child-class)
      (forall (?instance)
        (=> (Instance-Of ?instance ?child-class)
              (Instance-Of ?instance ?parent-class))))
```

:axiom-constraints

(Transitive-Relation Subclass-Of)

:issues

((:see-also direct-subclass-of)

(:see-also "In CycL, subclass-of is called #%allGenls because it is a slot from a collection to all of its generalizations (superclasses)."

"In the KL-ONE literature, subclass relationships are also called subsumption relationships and ISA is sometimes used for subclass-of."

("Why is it called Subclass-of instead of subclass or superclass?"

"Because the latter are ambiguous about the order of their arguments. We are following the naming convention that a binary relationship is read as an English sentence 'Domain-element Relation-name Range-value'. Thus, 'person subclass-of animal' rather than 'person superclass animal'."))



<http://www.ksl.stanford.edu>

Top-level Ontologies

•Top-level ontologies of universals and particulars (<http://webode.dia.fi.upm.es/>)



•Guarino N, Welty C (2000) *A Formal Ontology of Properties*. In: Dieng R, Corby O (eds) 12th International Conference in Knowledge Engineering and Knowledge Management (EKAW'00). Juan-Les-Pins, France. (Lecture Notes in Artificial Intelligence LNAI 1937) Springer-Verlag, Berlin, Germany, pp 97–112

•Gangemi A, Guarino N, Oltramari A (2001) *Conceptual analysis of lexical taxonomies: the case of Wordnet top-level*. In: Smith B, Welty C (eds) International Conference on Formal Ontology in Information Systems (FOIS'01). Ogunquit, Maine. ACM Press, New York, pp 3–15

•Sowa's top-level ontology (<http://www.jfsowa.com/ontology/toplevel.htm>)



Sowa JF (1999) *Knowledge Representation: Logical, Philosophical, and Computational Foundations*. Brooks Cole Publishing Co., Pacific Grove, California

•Cyc's upper ontology

(<http://www.cyc.com/cyc-2-1/cover.html>)



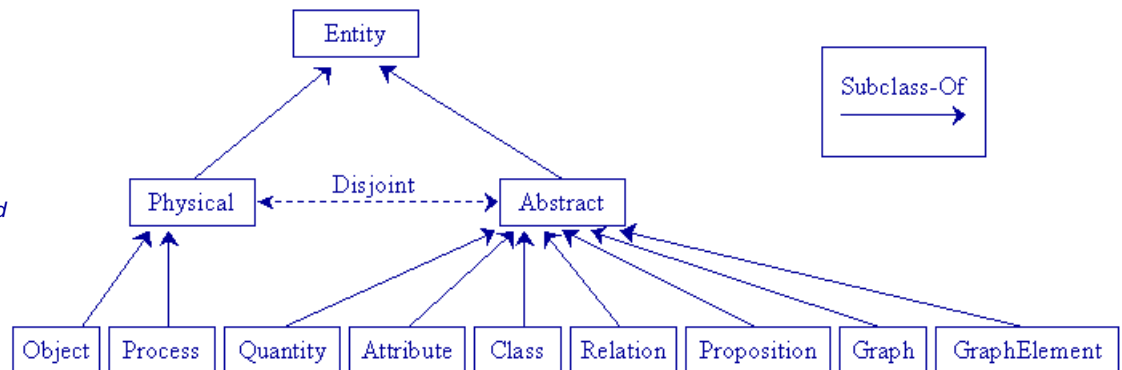
Lenat DB, Guha RV (1990) *Building Large Knowledge-based Systems: Representation and Inference in the Cyc Project*. Addison-Wesley, Boston, Massachusetts

•The Standard Upper Ontology (SUO)

(<http://suo.ieee.org/>)

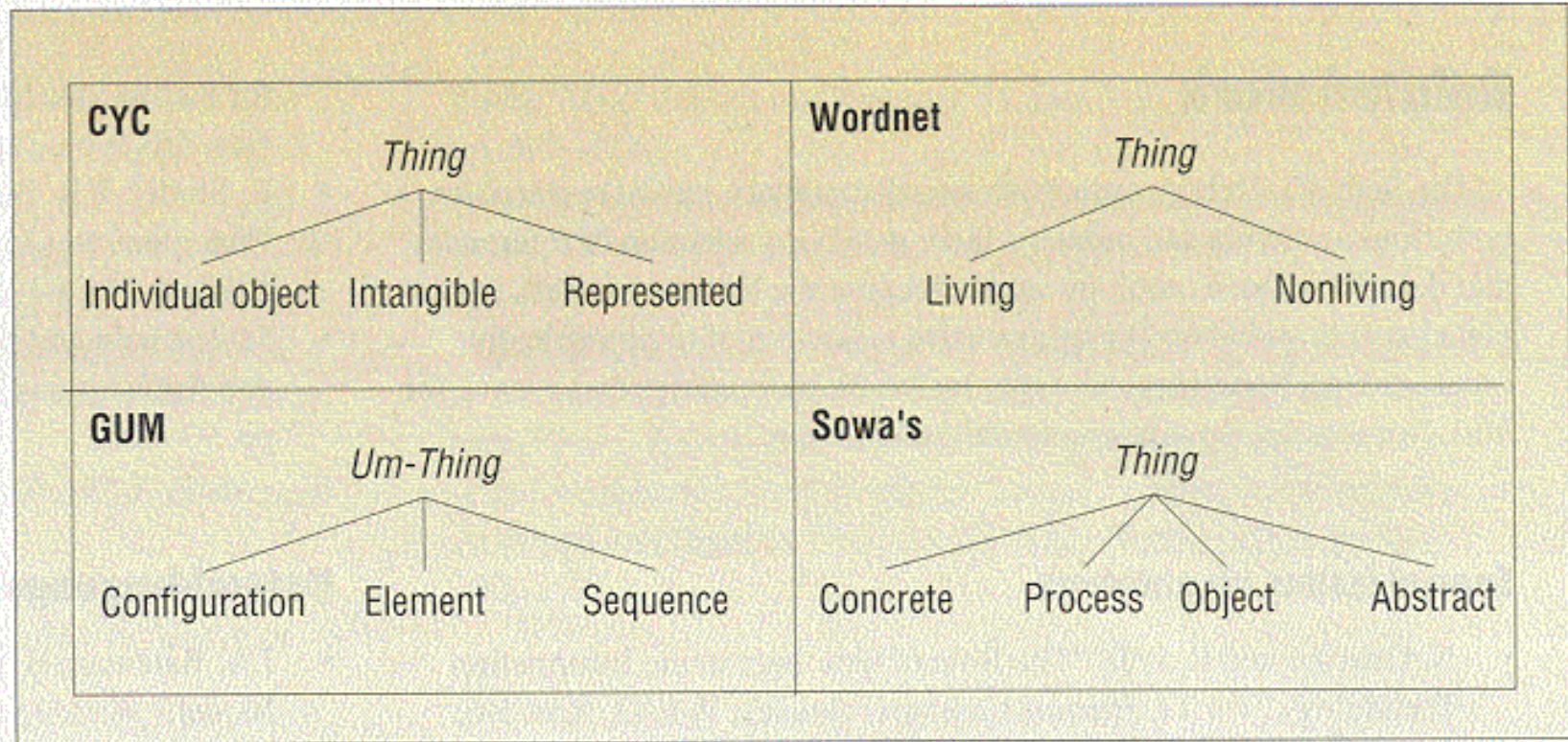


Pease RA, Niles I (2002) *IEEE Standard Upper Ontology: A Progress Report*. The Knowledge Engineering Review 17(1):65–70



One Unique Top-Level Ontology?

Various proposals



Linguistic Ontologies

•WordNet (<http://www.hum.uva.nl/~ewn/gwa.html>)



•Miller GA (1995) *WordNet: a lexical database for English*. Communications of the ACM 38(11):39–41

•Miller GA, Beckwith R, Fellbaum C, Gross D, Miller K (1990) *Introduction to WordNet: An on-line lexical database*. International Journal of Lexicography 3(4):235–244

•EuroWordNet (<http://www.hum.uva.nl/~ewn/>)



•Vossen P (ed) (1999) *EuroWordNet General Document. Version 3*. <http://www.hum.uva.nl/~ewn/>

•Vossen P (ed) (1998) *EuroWordNet: A Multilingual Database with Lexical Semantic Networks*. Kluwer Academic Publishers, Dordrecht, The Netherlands

•The Generalized Upper Model

(<http://www.darmstadt.gmd.de/publish/komet/gen-um/newUM.html>)



Bateman JA, Fabris G, Magnini B (1995) *The Generalized Upper Model Knowledge Base: Organization and Use*. In: Mars N (ed) Second International Conference on Building and Sharing of Very Large-Scale Knowledge Bases (KBKS '95). University of Twente, Enschede, The Netherlands. IOS Press, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, pp 60–72

•The Mikrokosmos ontology (<http://crl.nmsu.edu/mikro> [user and password are required])



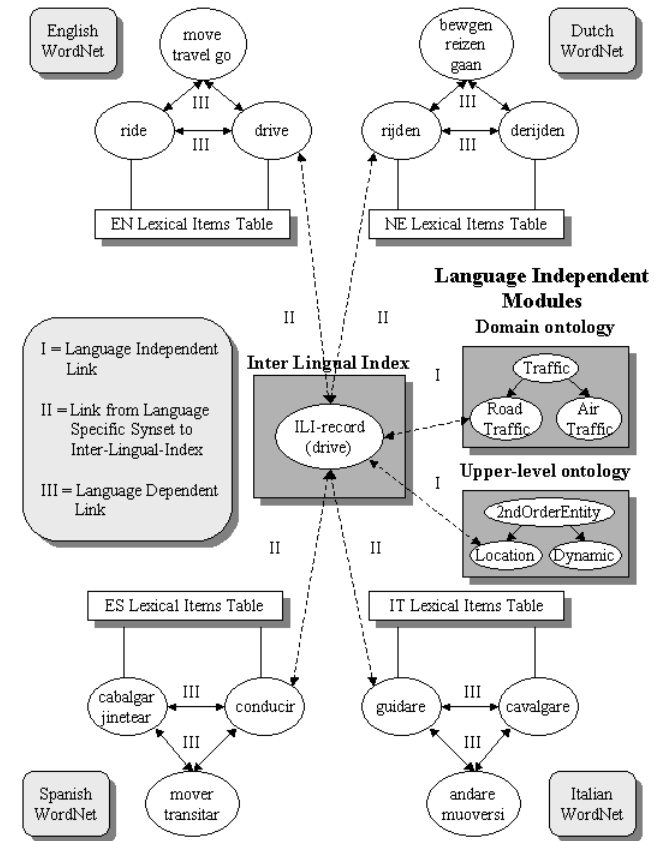
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•SENSUS (<http://www.isi.edu/natural-language/projects/ONTOLOGIES.html>)



Swartout B, Ramesh P, Knight K, Russ T (1997) *Toward Distributed Use of Large-Scale Ontologies*. In: Farquhar A, Gruninger M, Gómez-Pérez A, Uschold M, van der Vet P (eds) AAAI'97 Spring Symposium on Ontological Engineering. Stanford University, California, pp 138–148



Domain Ontologies: e-Commerce Ontologies

- The United Nations Standard Products and Services Codes (UNSPSC)

(<http://www.unspsc.org/>)

- NAICS (North American Industry Classification System)

(<http://www.census.gov/epcd/www/naics.html>)

- SCTG (Standard Classification of Transported Goods)

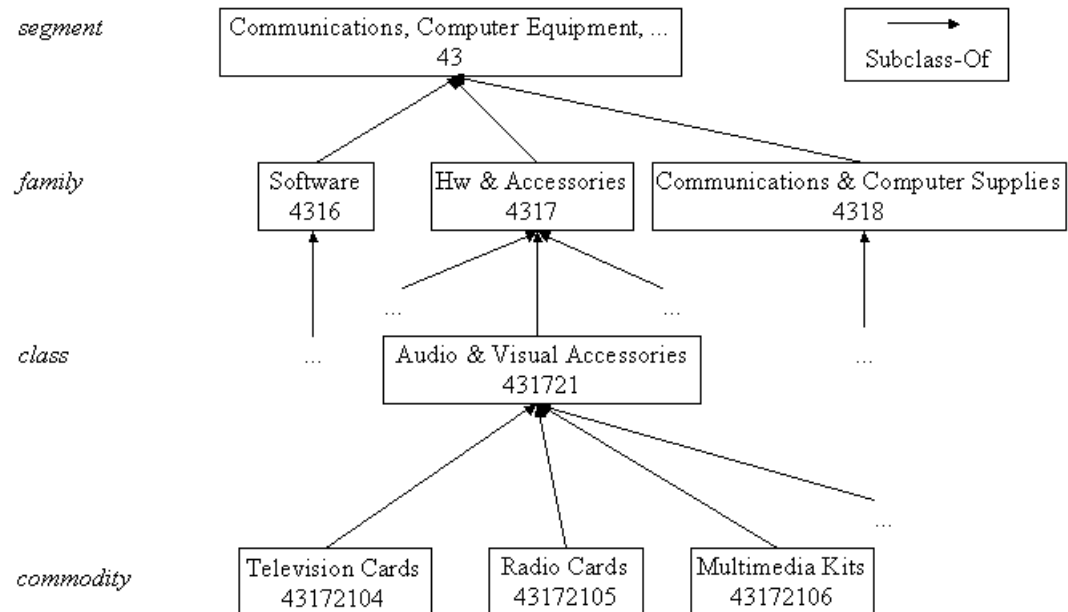
(<http://www.statcan.ca/english/Subjects/Standard/sctg/sctg-menu.htm>)

- E-cl@ss

(<http://www.eclass.de/>)

- RosettaNet

(<http://www.rosettanel.org/>)



Domain Ontologies: Medical Ontologies

•GALEN <http://www.co-ode.org/galen/>



Rector AL, Bechhofer S, Goble CA, Horrocks I, Nowlan WA, Solomon WD (1997) *The GRAIL concept modelling language for medical terminology*. Artificial Intelligence in Medicine 9:139–171

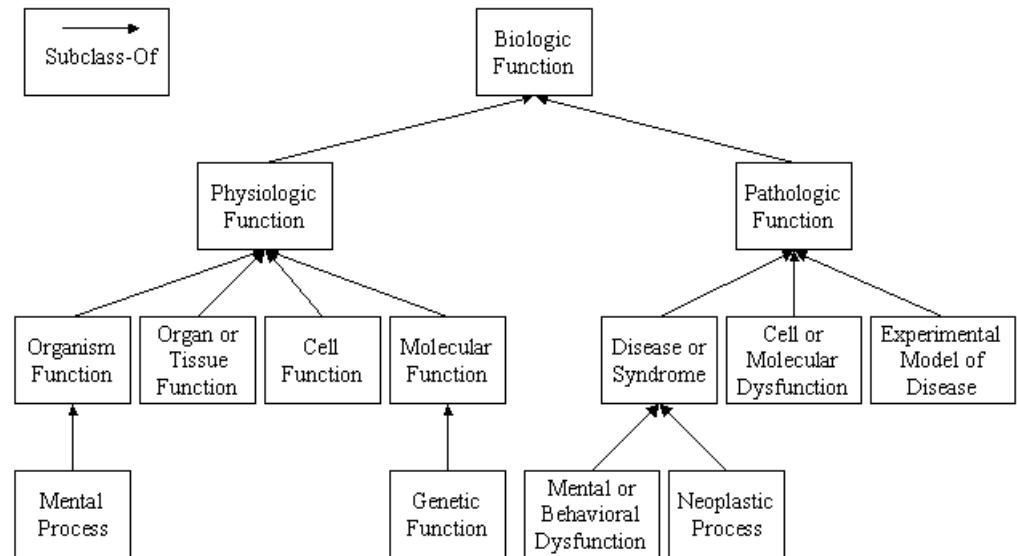
•UMLS (Unified Medical Language System)

(<http://www.nih.gov/research/umls/>)

•ON9 (<http://saussure.irmkant.rm.cnr.it/ON9/index.html>)



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Domain Ontologies: Engineering Ontologies

•EngMath

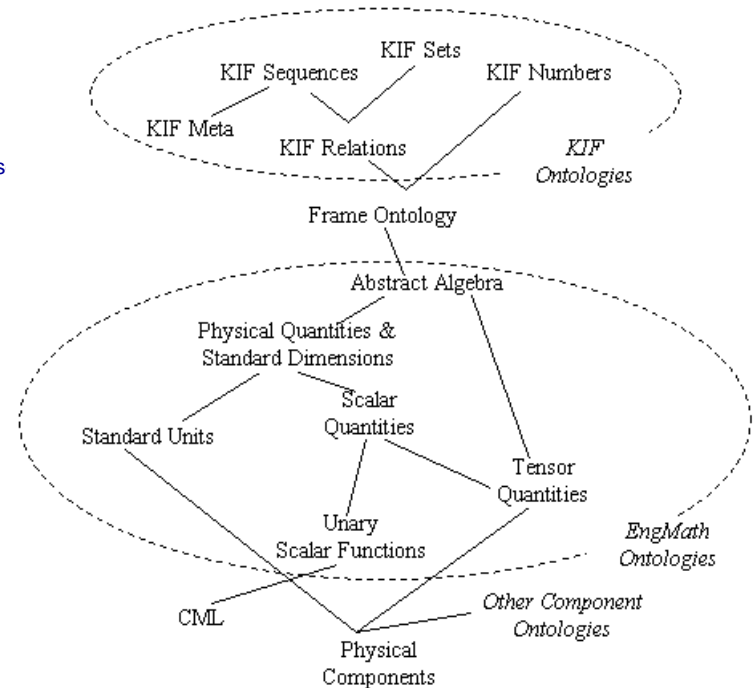


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•PhysSys



Borst WN (1997) *Construction of Engineering Ontologies*. Centre for Telematica and Information Technology, University of Twente. Enschede, The Netherlands



Domain Ontologies: Enterprise Ontologies

•Enterprise Ontology (<http://www.aiai.ed.ac.uk/~entprise/enterprise/ontology.html>)



Uschold M, King M, Moralee S, Zorgios Y (1998) *The Enterprise Ontology*. The Knowledge Engineering Review 13(1):31–89

•TOVE (<http://www.eil.utoronto.ca/tove/toveont.html>)



Fox MS (1992) *The TOVE Project: A Common-sense Model of the Enterprise*. In: Belli F, Radermacher FJ (eds) *Industrial and Engineering Applications of Artificial Intelligence and Expert Systems*. (Lecture Notes in Artificial Intelligence LNAI 604) Springer-Verlag, Berlin, Germany, pp 25–34

Enterprise Ontologies

- Enterprise Design Ontology
- Project Ontology
- Material Flow Ontology
- Business Process Ontology

Derivative Ontologies

- Transportation Ontology
- Inventory Ontology
- Quality Ontology
- Product Design Ontology
- Goals Ontology
- Scheduling Ontology
- Operating Strategies Ontology
- Product Requirements Ontology
- Information Resource Ontology
- Intended Action Ontology
- Electro Mechanical Product Ontology

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- Organization Ontology
- Resource Ontology

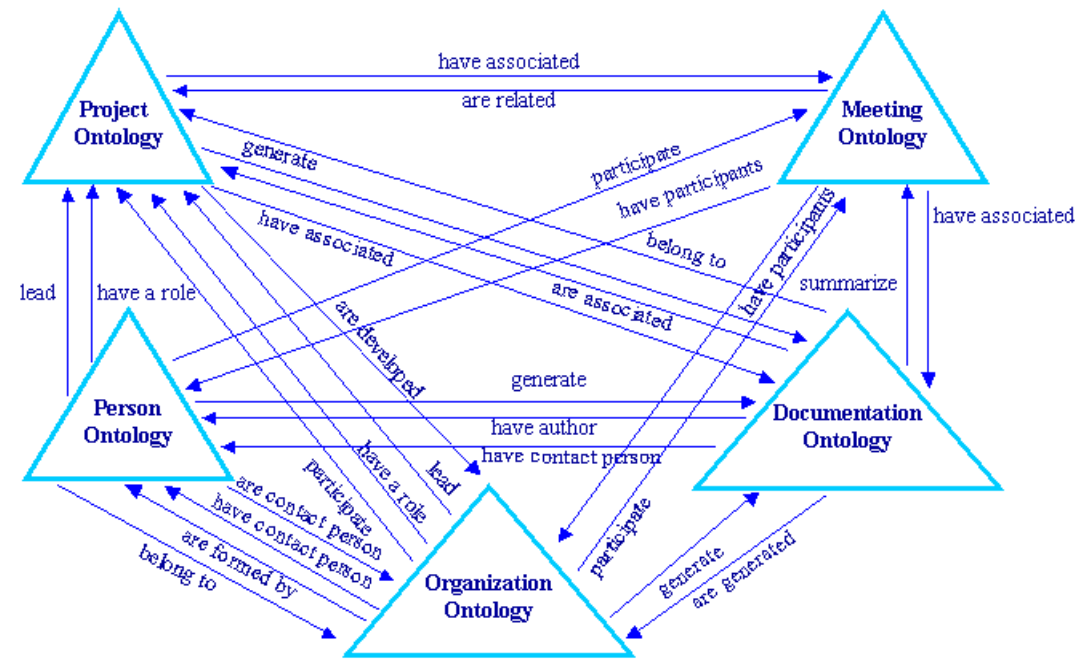
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•(KA)² ontologies (<http://ka2portal.aifb.uni-karlsruhe.de>)



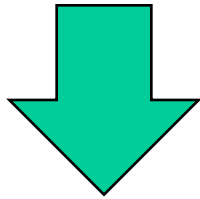
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•R&D projects (<http://www.esperonto.net/>)



What is an Ontology?

Shared understanding of a domain



Repository of vocabulary

- Formal definitions
- Informal definitions