



# Introduction to Knowledge Representation Formalisms

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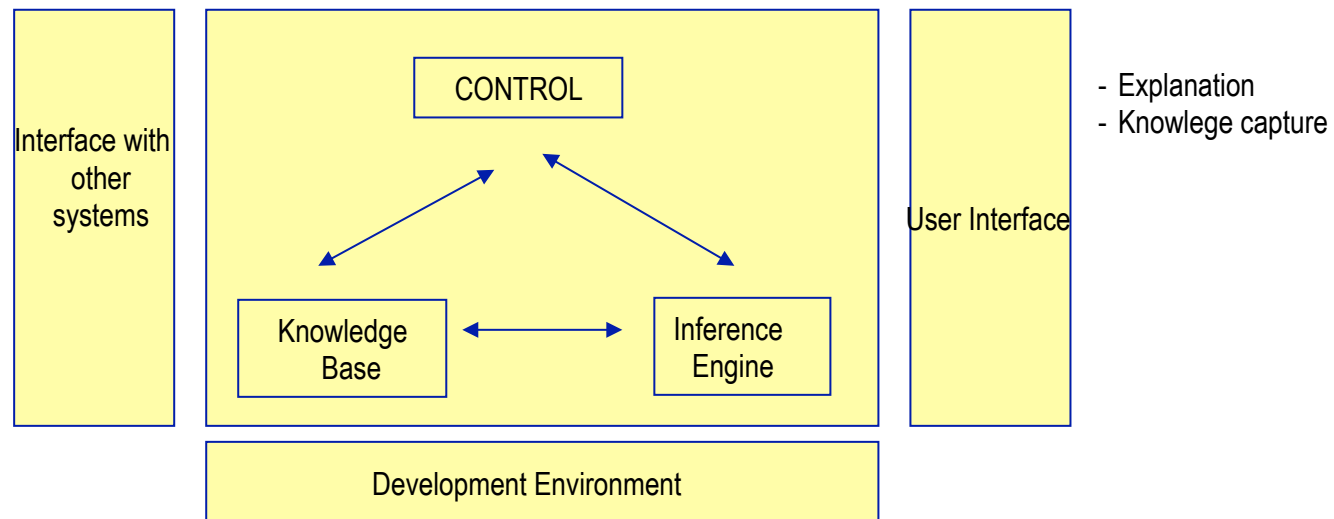
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# Architecture of a Knowledge-based System

Other interacting systems:  
• Databases  
• ...



- Knowledge-based system generation tools
- Programming languages

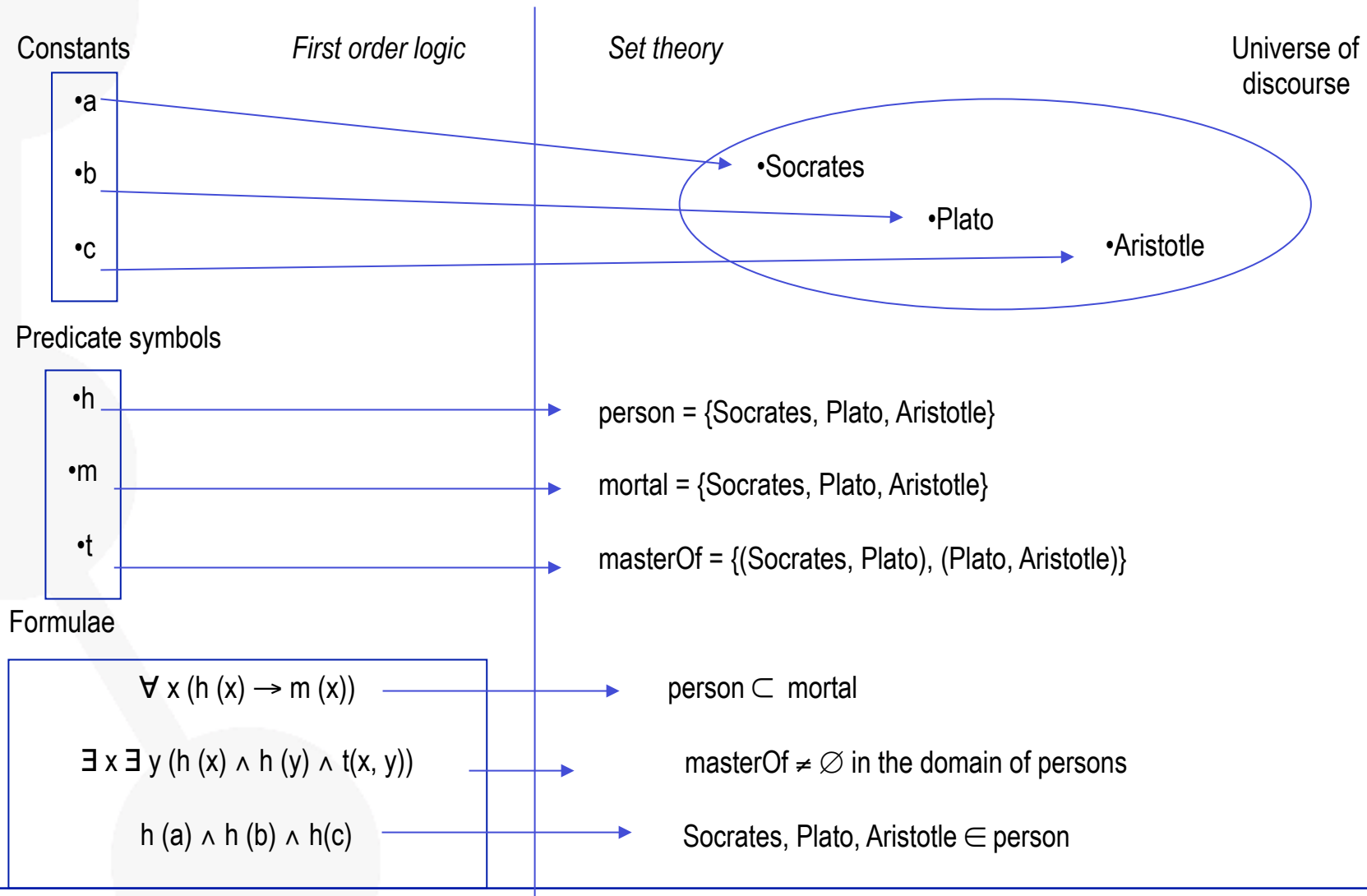
# Knowledge Representation Formalisms. A Summary

- Knowledge representation
  - To store knowledge so that programs can process it and achieve the verisimilitude of human intelligence
- Knowledge representation formalisms/techniques
  - Originated from theories of human information processing.
  - Since knowledge is used to achieve intelligent behavior, the fundamental goal of knowledge representation is to represent knowledge in a manner as to facilitate inferencing i.e. drawing conclusions from knowledge.
  - Some examples are:
    - First order logic
    - Semantic networks and conceptual maps
    - Frames
    - Description logic
    - Production rules
    - Fuzzy logic
    - Bayesian networks
    - Etc.

These are the ones  
that we will analyse

# First order logic. Basic elements

We can establish mappings between logical symbols and domain objects (universe of discourse)



# First order logic. Formalisation

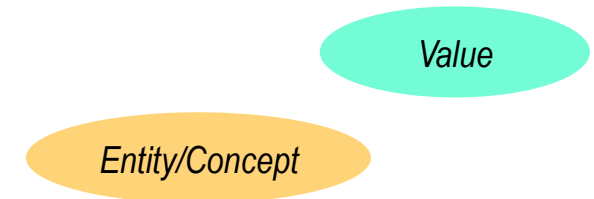
- We have a robot that delivers boxes to offices. We know:
  - Boxes in room 27 are smaller than those in room 28.
  - All boxes in the same room are of the same size.
- In a given moment in time, we know:
  - i) Box A is inside room 27 or 28 (we do not know which one).
  - ii) Box B is inside room 27.
  - iii) Box B is not smaller than box A.
- We want to test whether box A is in room 27.

# First order logic. Formalisation. Solution

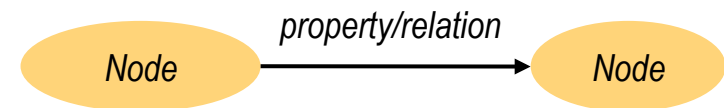
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  - In a given moment in time, we know :
    - i) Box A is inside room 27 or 28 (we do not know which one).  
$$\text{box}(a) \wedge \text{room}(h27) \wedge \text{room}(h28) \wedge (\text{inside}(a, h27) \vee \text{inside}(a, h28))$$
    - ii) Box B is inside room 27.  
$$\text{box}(b) \wedge \text{inside}(b, h27)$$
    - iii) Box B is not smaller than box A.  
$$\neg \text{smallerThan}(b, a)$$
  - We want to test whether box A is in room 27.  
$$\text{inside}(a, h27)?$$

# Semantic Network. Basic elements

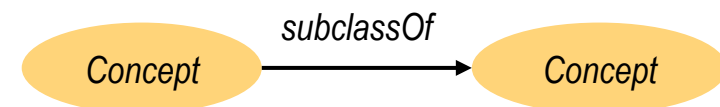
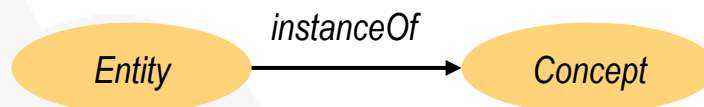
- Nodes
  - They represent entities or concepts, or values



- Edges
  - They represent properties or relations



- The semantics (mapping to the real world) depends on the tags used for nodes and edges
- There is no predefined KR vocabulary
  - Although sometimes there are *structural* edges



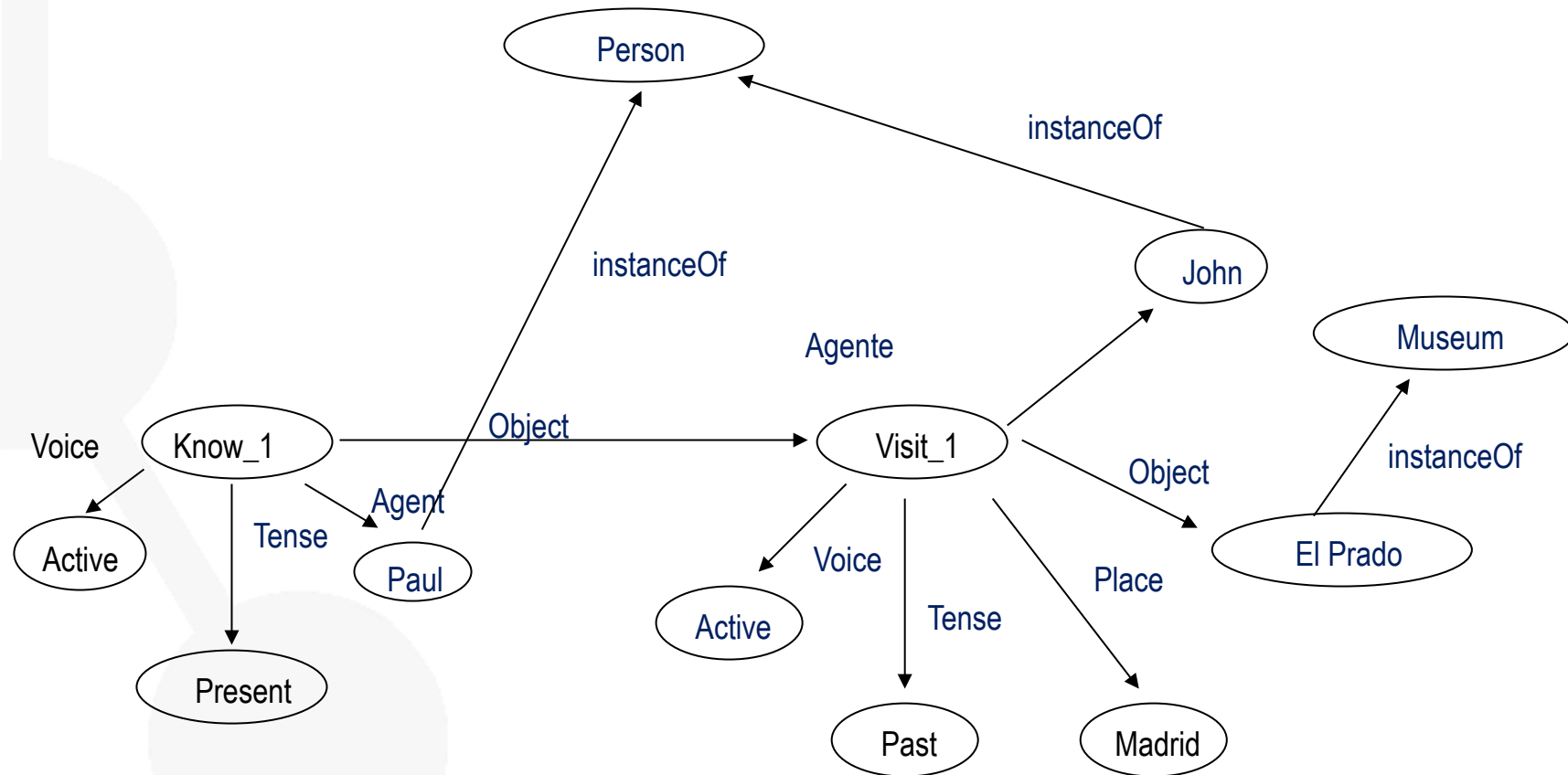
## Semantic networks. Example

- Paul and John are persons
- El Prado is a museum
- Paul knows that John visited El Prado in Madrid



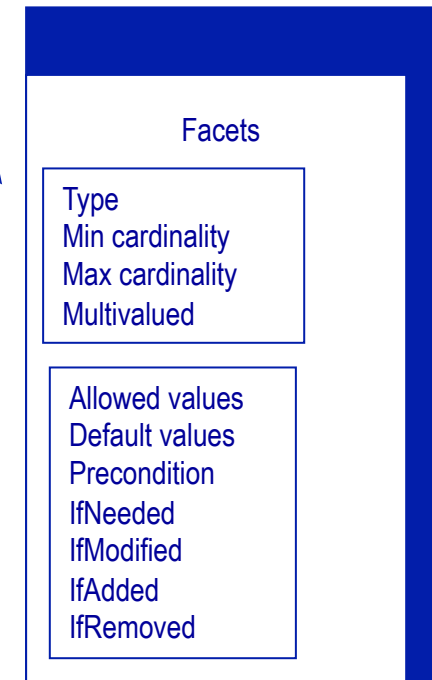
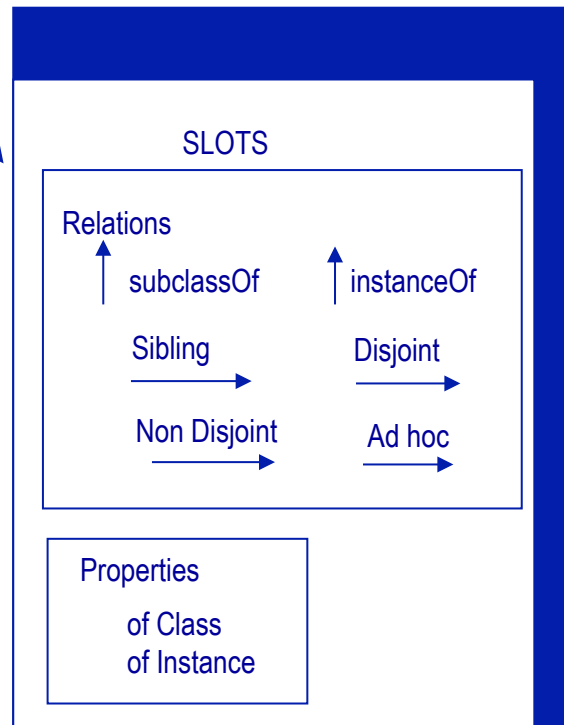
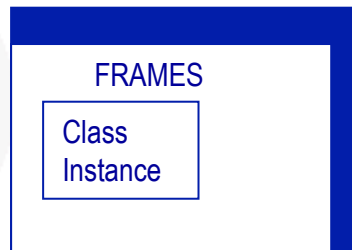
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# Frames. Basic elements

CONCEPTS



Inferences:

- Property inheritance
- Matching
- Daemons

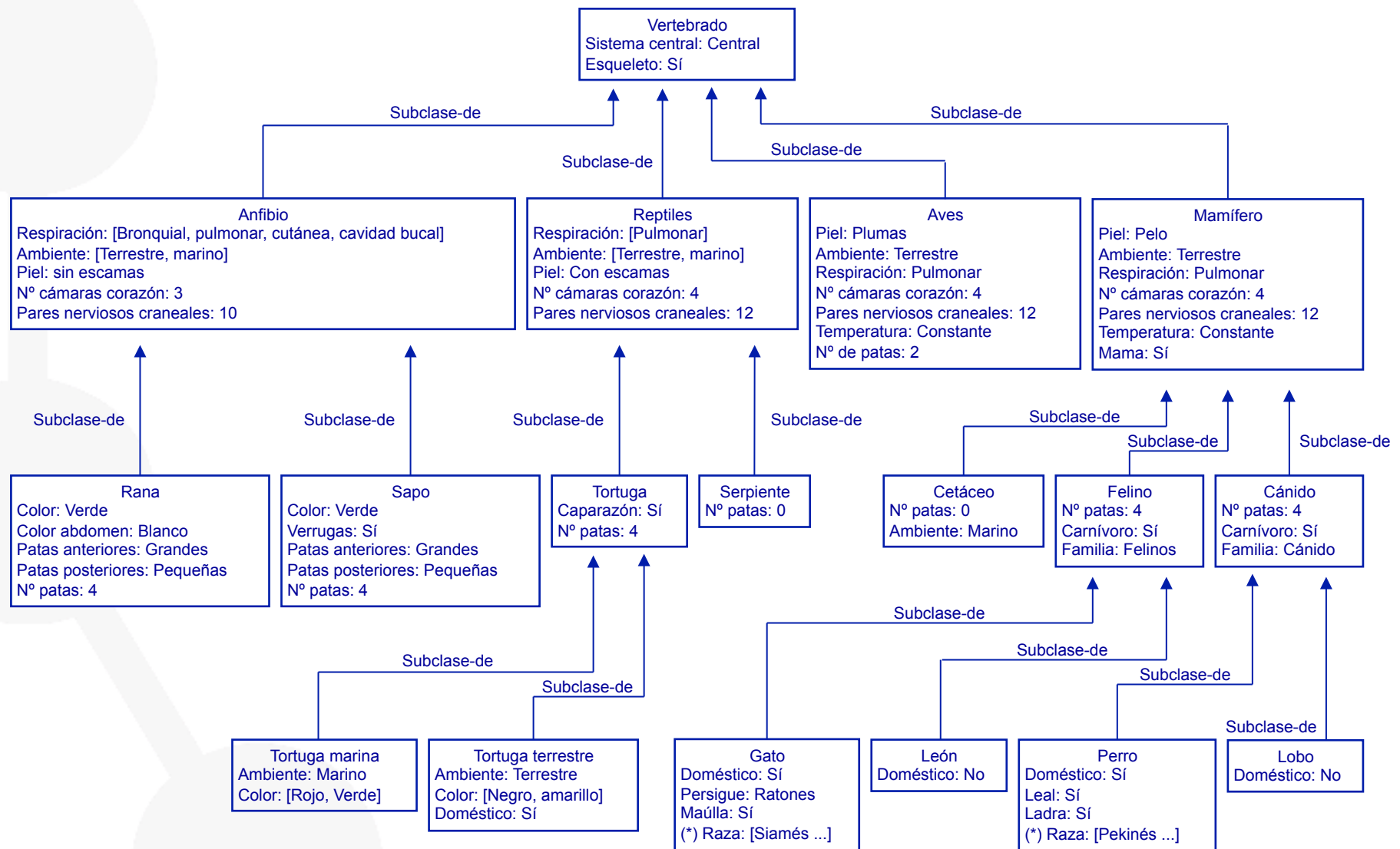
Frame

Facets

Properties  
Relations

	F <sub>1</sub>	F <sub>2</sub>	...	F <sub>n</sub>
R <sub>1</sub>				
R <sub>n</sub>				

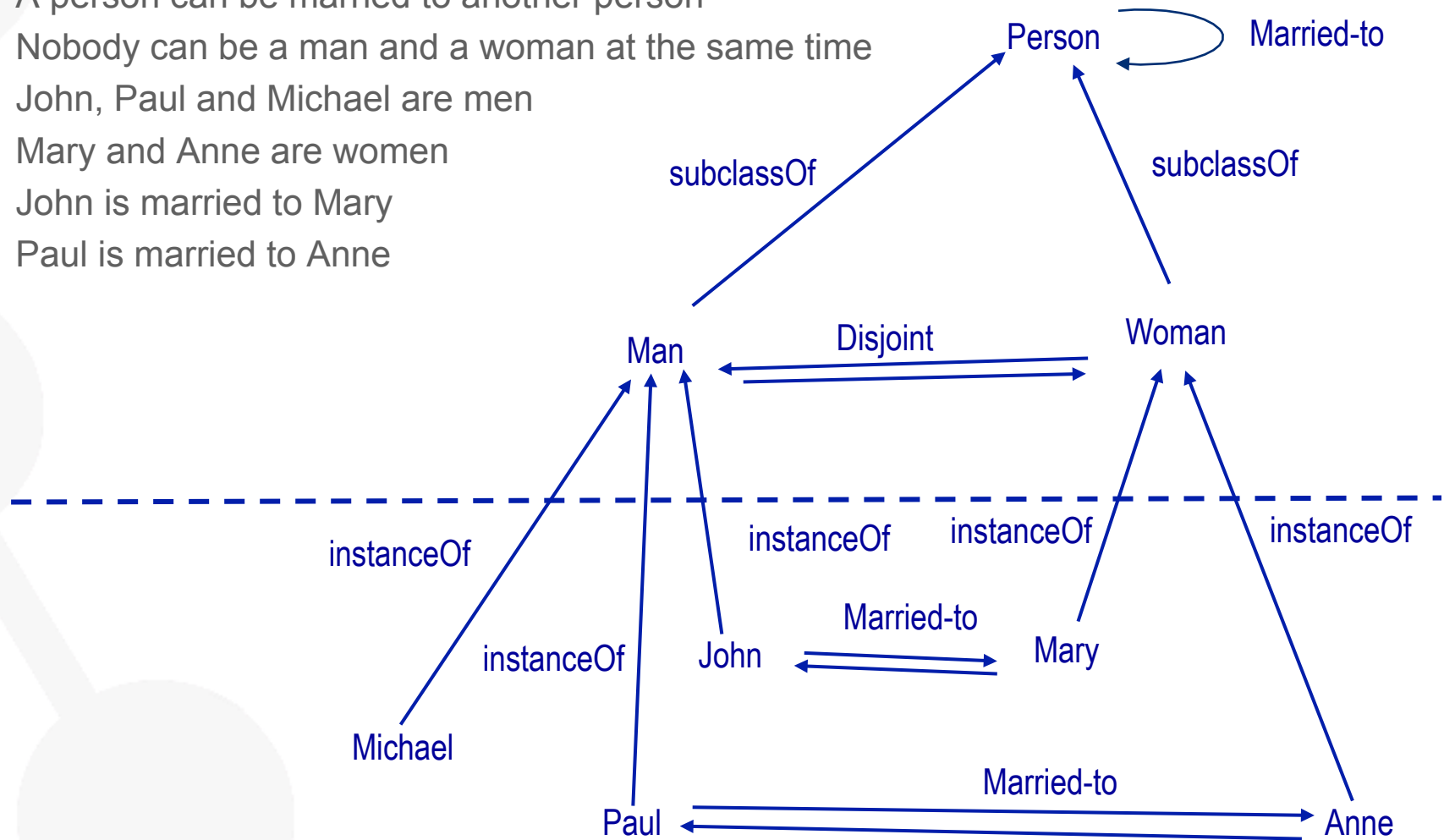
Description  
Value  
Procedure  
Pointer



- Men and women are persons
- A person can be married to another person
- Nobody can be a man and a woman at the same time
- John, Paul and Michael are men
- Mary and Anne are women
- John is married to Mary
- Paul is married to Anne

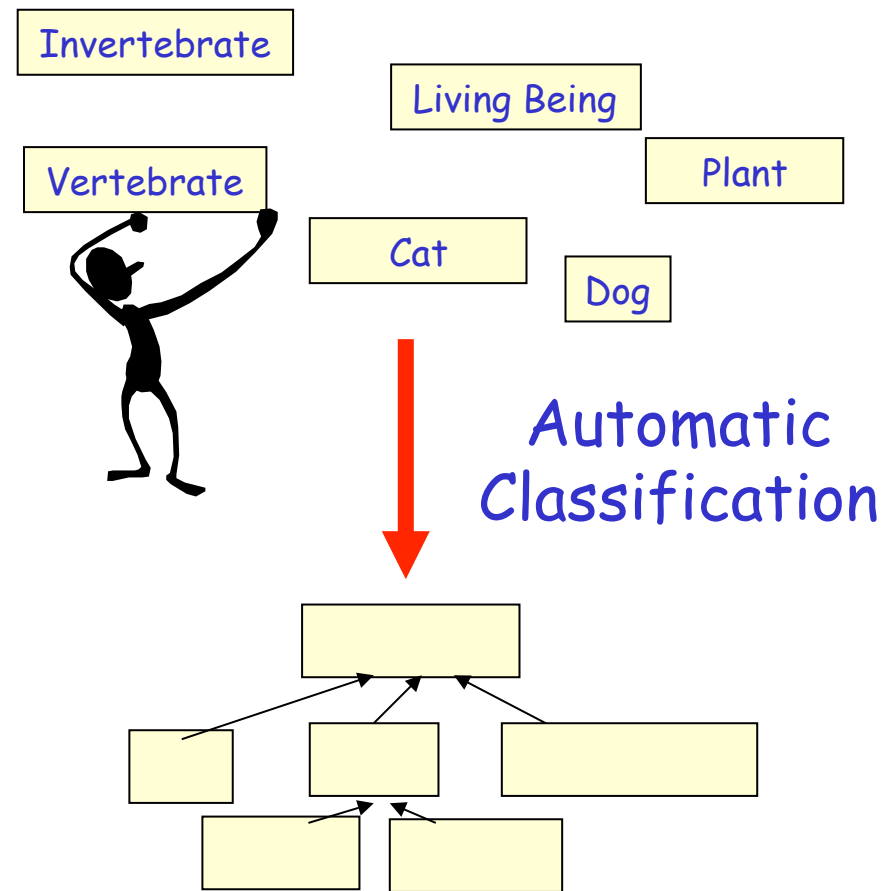
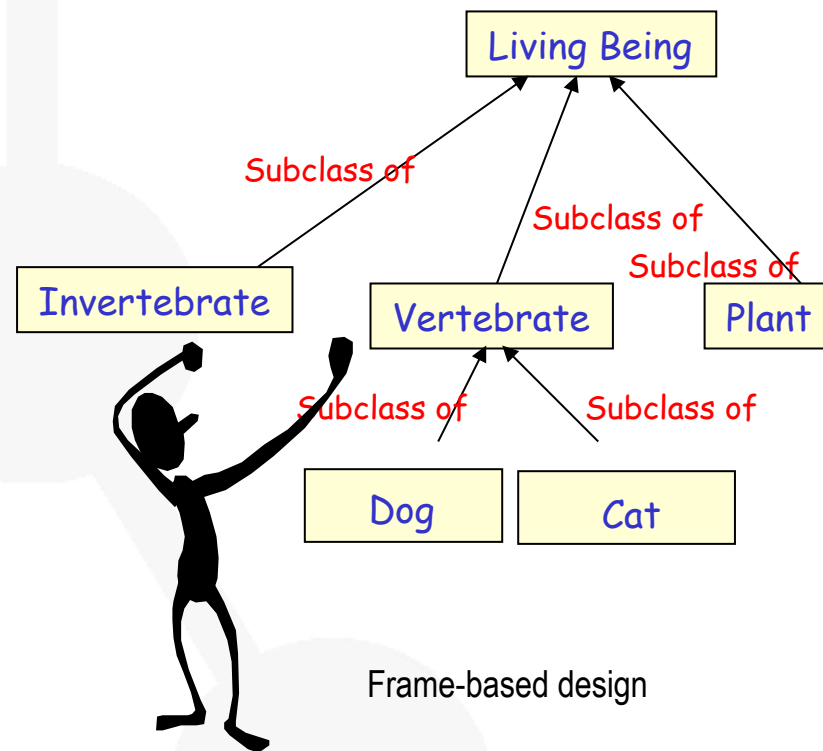
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# Description Logics. Basic elements

- A subset of first order logic with good reasoning properties
- **Automatic classification**



# KR Formalisms

Language

Formalism

Ontolingua/KIF

OKBC

OCML

LOOM

FLogic

SHOE

XOL

OIL

DAML+OIL

RDF(S)

OWL

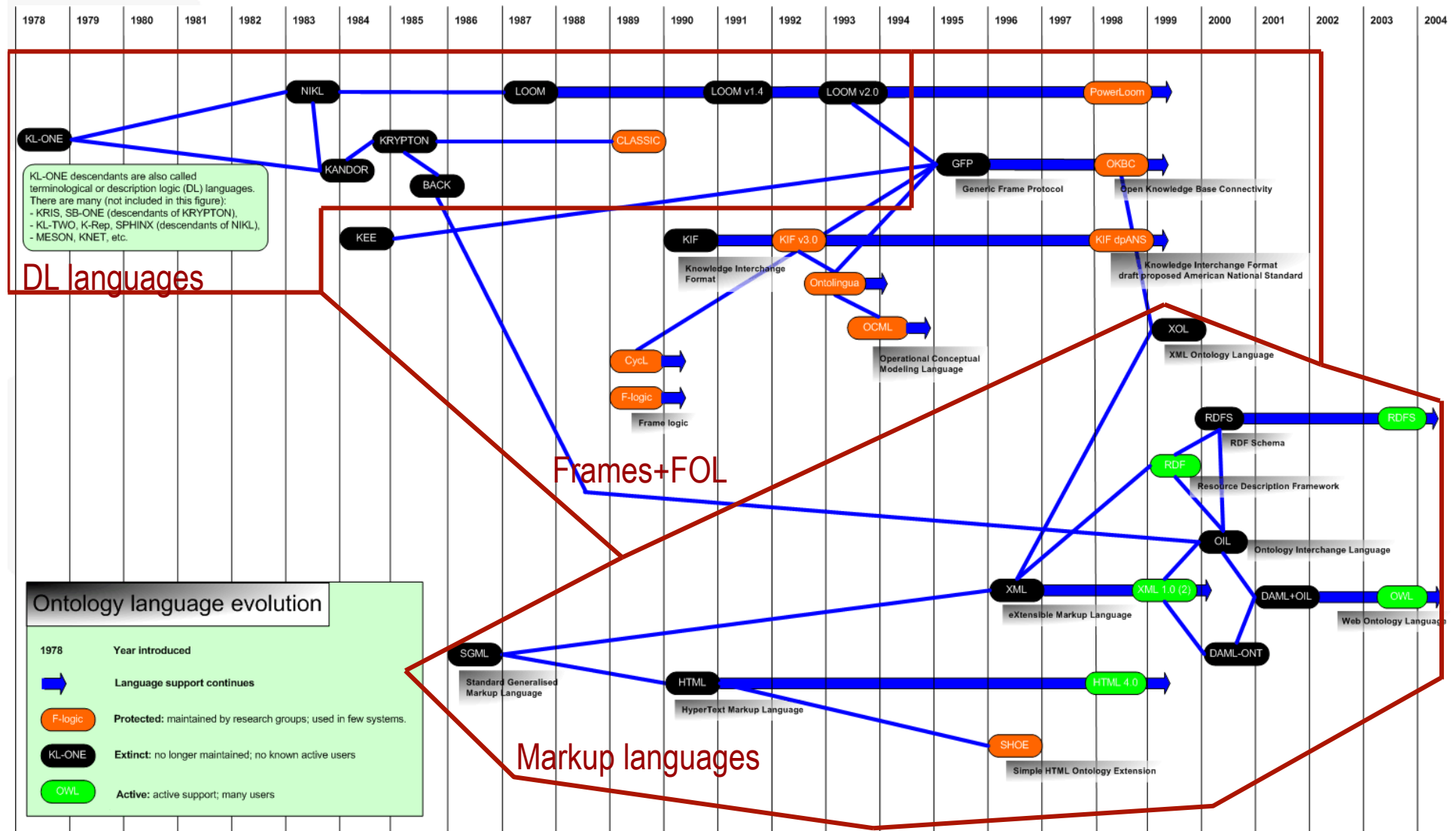
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First order Logic

Description Logic

Semantic Networks

# Ontology language evolution





# Ontology Languages (I)

Traditional ontology languages

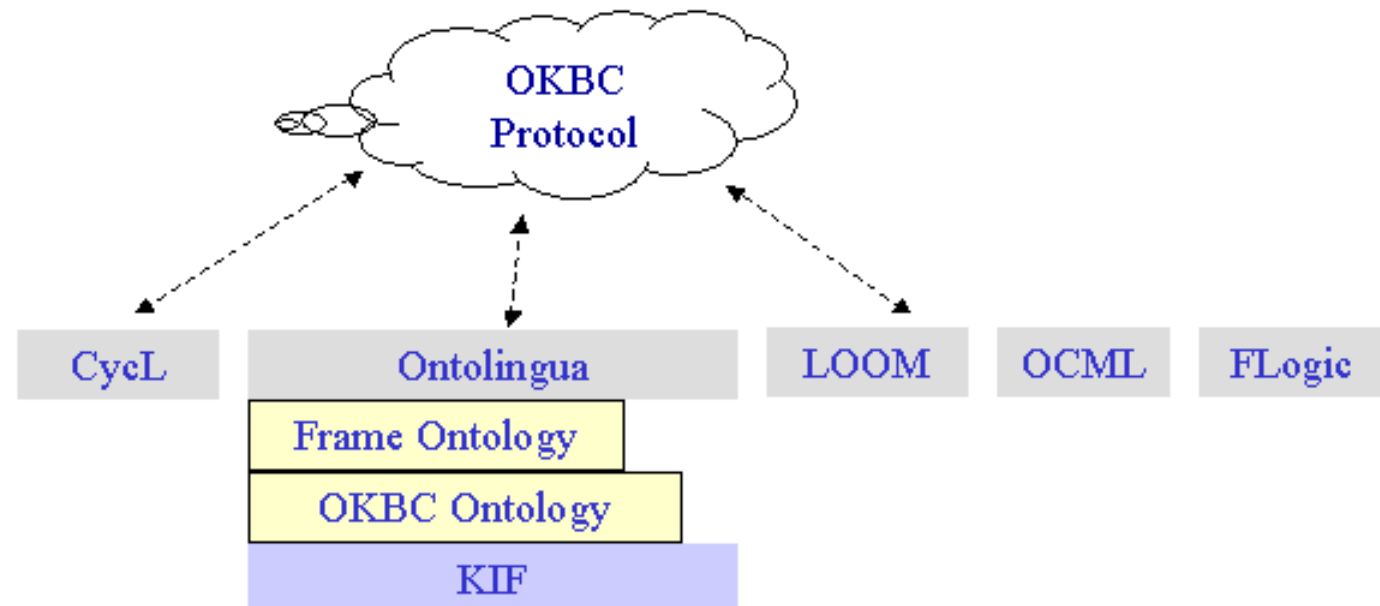
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# Ontology Languages (II)

Ontology markup languages

Standards & Recommendations of W3C

XML

RDF(S)

Ontology specification languages

SHOE

XOL

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