



# *Update on the Linked And Networked DRoneS project: APIs, and Ontologies*

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# Overview

- LANDRS in brief
- Ontology development work
- OpenAPI status update (Lewis McGibbney, NASA JPL)

# LANDRS: Goals

**Problem:** Complex and painful drone data pipeline costs significant data value

**Goal:** Allow users to capture the lost value by providing standards based APIs for building drone data wrangling tools.



Linked-data  
**API for  
Networked  
DRoneS**

# LANDRS: 1st Hackathon

## Goal: **Design**

- ESIP Summer meeting
  - July 2019:
  - ~15 people



## Outcomes:

- UxS ontology
  - Driven by
    - Prior minimal information framework
    - Drone user engagement
  - View1: Modeling progression
  - View2: Metadata view (CEDARS)
- OpenAPI (covered at end of slide deck)



## Co-located RDA Plenary 14

- Helsinki Finland 21-22 October
- Hosted at University of Helsinki

### Goals:

- Finalise Design
- Kick off of Best Practices working group (would **really** like OGC involvement in that)
- Engage more EU input



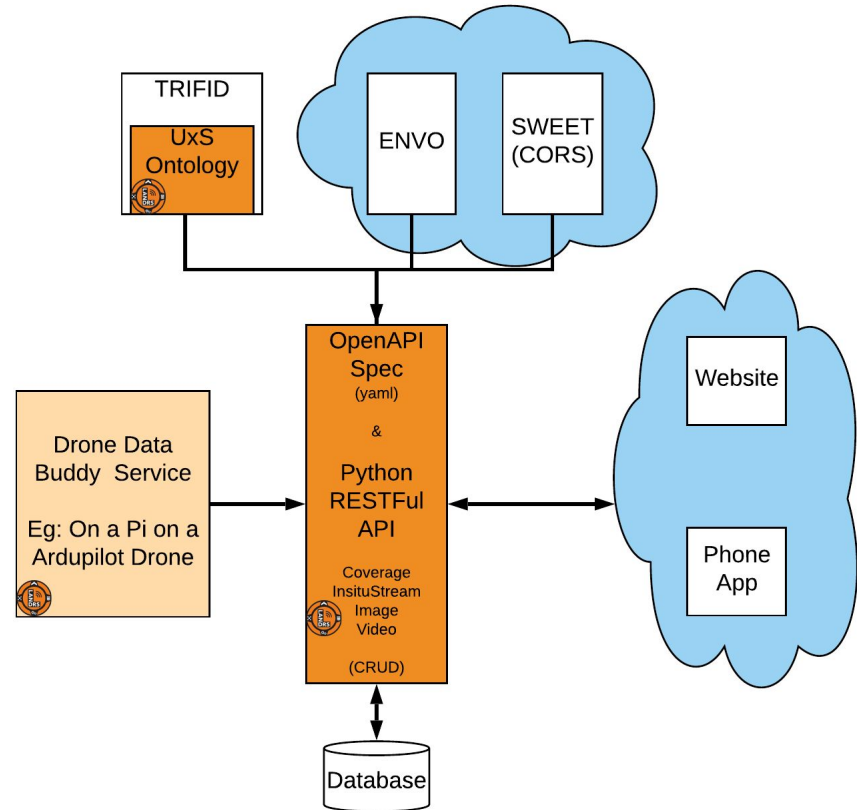
# LANDRS: Looking for interns

- Looking for interns (or PIs?)
  - Paid, Global, Hosted and non-hosted, mentored
- Topics:
  - Ontology development
  - OpenAPI development
  - Onboard API development
  - Demonstrator development
  - Community engagement

# LANDRS: Keeping it grounded

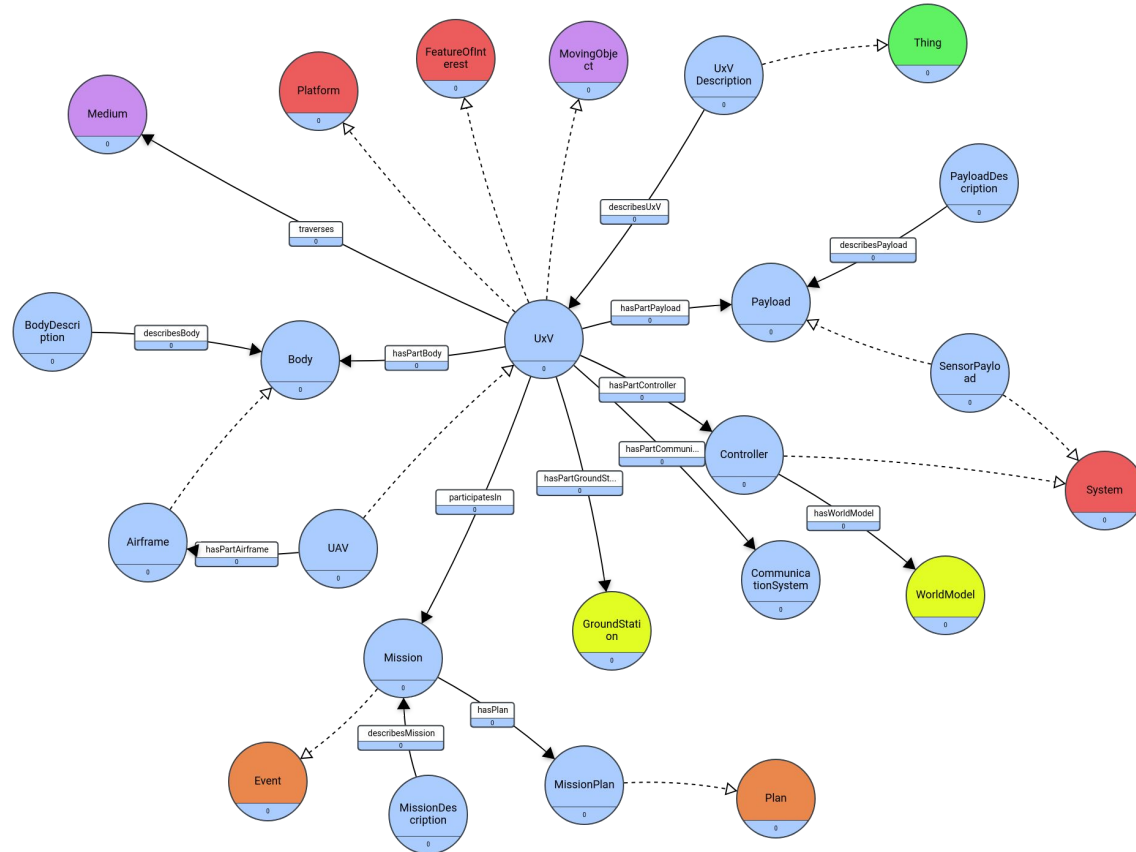
Towards example  
applications:

- Drone Data Buddy  
(limited)





# Strawman Conceptual Map



## Semantic Sensor Network Ontology



W3C Recommendation 19 October 2017 (Link errors corrected 08 December 2017)

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# WoT Thing Description

## Web of Things (WoT) Thing Description

W3C Candidate Recommendation 16 May 2019



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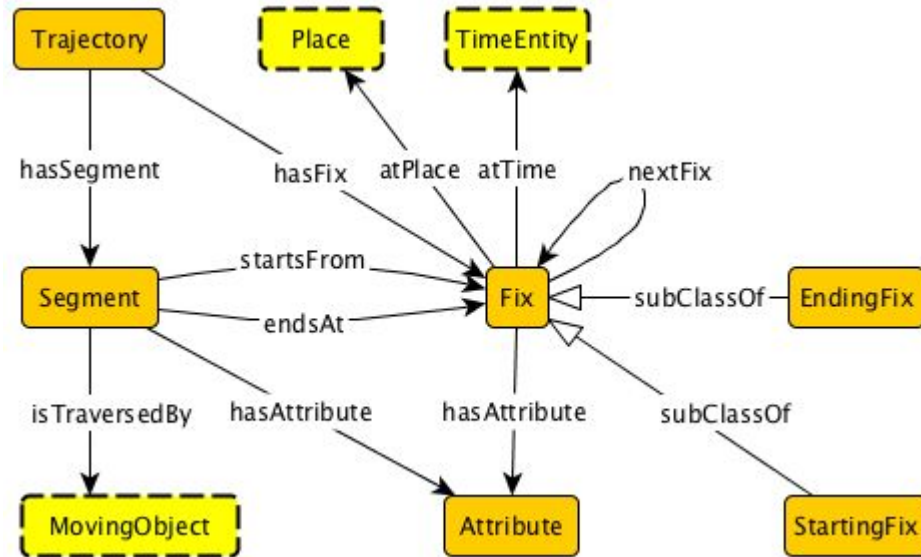
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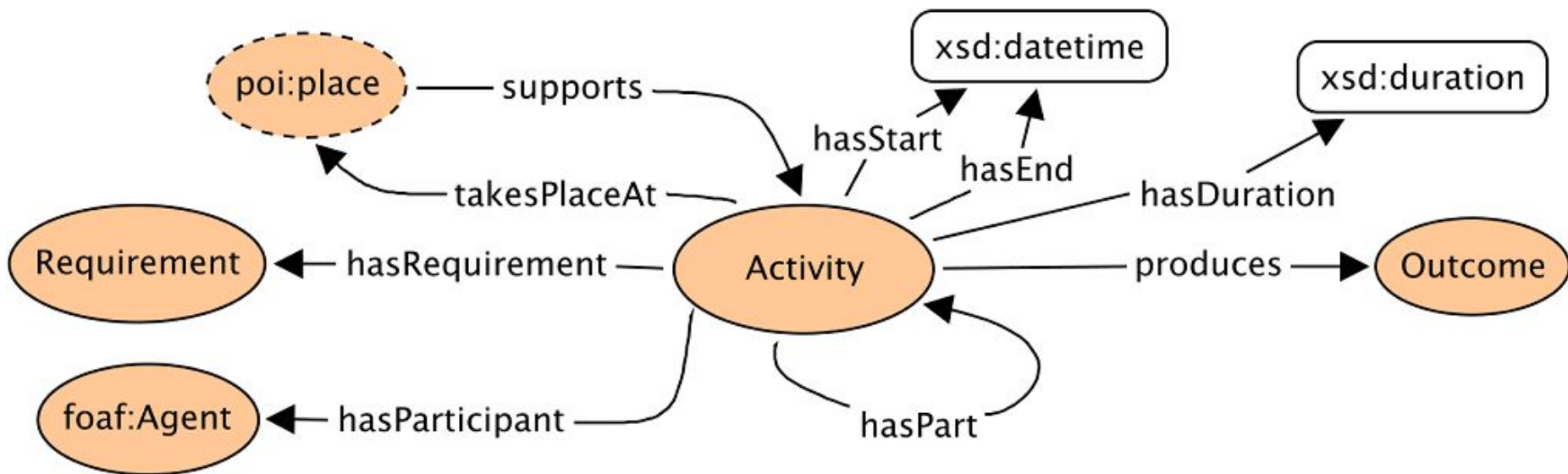
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# Modular Blocks: Semantic Trajectory



# Activity Pattern



# Modular Blocks: PartOf



# Modular Data View Approach

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Watch 75 Star 81 Fork 55

Code Issues 56 Pull requests 2 Actions Projects 13 Security Insights

Branch: gh-pages sdw / proposals / ssn-extensions / rdf /

Create new file Upload files Find file History

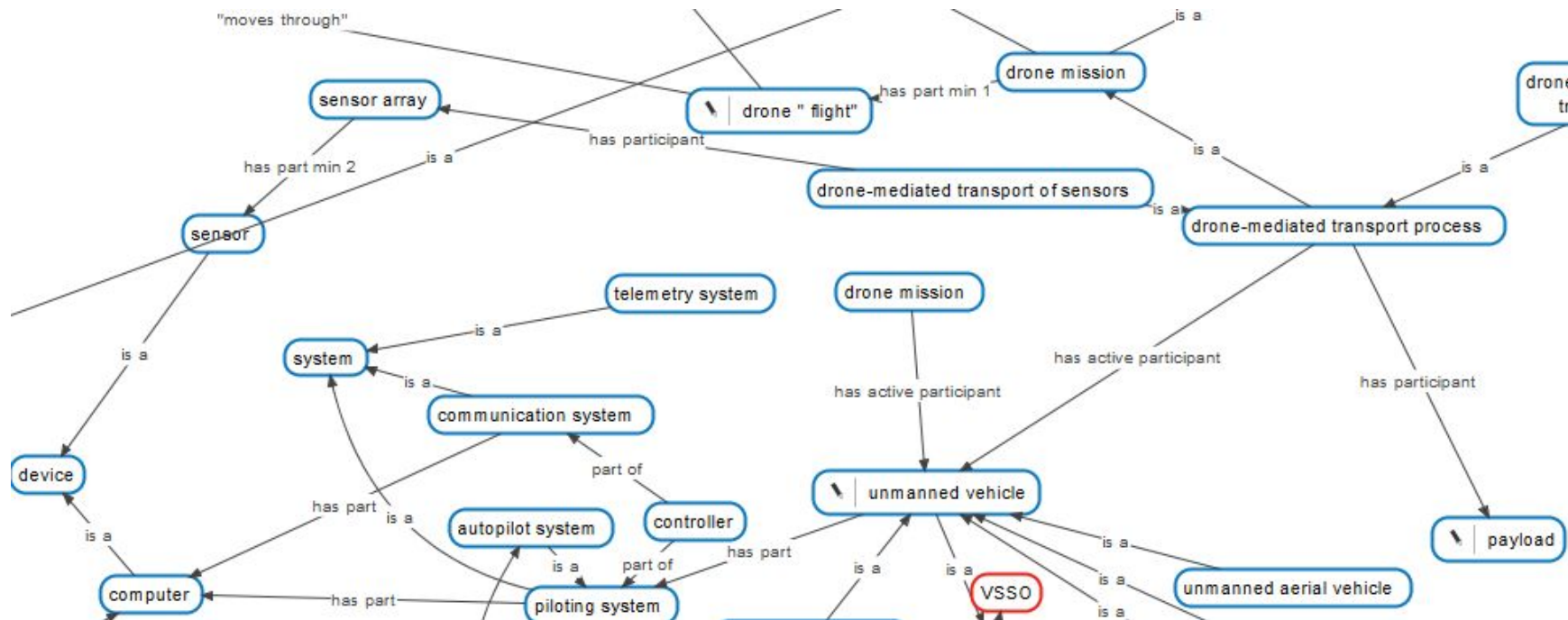
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ssn-ext-construct.shapes.ttl	Add inverse of ssn-ext:hasMember to support common direction-of-knowl...	11 months ago
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ssn-ext-tests.jsonld	JSON-LD versions of ssn-ext examples	3 days ago
ssn-ext-tests.ttl	JSON-LD versions of ssn-ext examples	3 days ago
ssn-ext.jsonld	Beginning ultimate-sample treatment	last month
ssn-ext.nt	Alternative serializations of ssn-ext	6 months ago
ssn-ext.rdf	Alternative serializations of ssn-ext	6 months ago
ssn-ext.shapes.ttl	Add inverse of ssn-ext:hasMember to support common direction-of-knowl...	11 months ago
ssn-ext.spin.ttl	Remove SPIN rules from the primary ontology document	10 months ago
ssn-ext.ttl	Beginning ultimate-sample treatment	last month





# Sensor Detail of Knowledge Graph



# What is the connection between Ontology, Data and API?

# An example problem

Derived from the NASA Centurion UAV, this solar cell and fuel cell powered UAV set a world record for flight at 96,863 feet (29,524 m). It was intended to be the prototype for the production Helios aircraft, envisioned as an "atmospheric satellite". The ERAST program was terminated in 2003, and as of 2008 Helios has not entered production. In actuality, it has been reborn in the form of the Global Observer UAS, currently in development under a Joint Concept Technology Demonstration led by USSOCOM. The key technology shift was switching from solar power to liquid hydrogen power.



[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Helios\\_Prototype](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Helios_Prototype)

# The “Linked-Data” Part

```
1 #Data of NASA Helios (Q1353965)|
2
3 PREFIX entity: <http://www.wikidata.org/entity/>
4 #partial results
5
6 SELECT ?propUrl ?propLabel ?valUrl ?valLabel ?picture
7 WHERE
8 {
9     hint:Query hint:optimizer 'None' .
10     { BIND(entity:Q1353965 AS ?valUrl) .
11       BIND("N/A" AS ?propUrl) .
12       BIND("identity"@en AS ?propLabel) .
13     }
14     UNION
15     { entity:Q1353965 ?propUrl ?valUrl .
16       ?property ?ref ?propUrl .
17       ?property rdfs:type wikibase:Property .
18       ?property rdfs:label ?propLabel
19     }
20
21     ?valUrl rdfs:label ?valLabel
22     FILTER (LANG(?valLabel) = 'en') .
23     OPTIONAL{ ?valUrl wdt:P18 ?picture .}
24     FILTER (lang(?propLabel) = 'en' )
25 }
26 ORDER BY ?propUrl ?valUrl
27 LIMIT 200
```



Main page  
Community portal  
Project chat  
Create a new item  
Create a new Lexeme  
Recent changes  
Random item  
Query Service  
Nearby  
Help  
Donate

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Page information  
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Cite this page

Item Discussion

<https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q1353965>

NASA Helios (Q1353965)

No description defined

edit

~ In more languages Configure

Language	Label	Description	Also known as
English	NASA Helios	No description defined	
Spanish	Prototipo Helios	No description defined	
Traditional Chinese	No label defined	No description defined	
Chinese	No label defined	No description defined	

All entered languages

## Statements

instance of	solar-powered aircraft	edit
	↳ 0 references	+ add reference
	light aircraft	edit
	↳ 0 references	+ add reference
		+ add value
subclass of	unmanned aerial vehicle	edit
	↳ 1 reference	
		+ add value
image		edit
		<a href="#">Helios in flight.jpg</a>

# “Follow your nose” Principle

Link to Query:

<https://w.wiki/7yz>

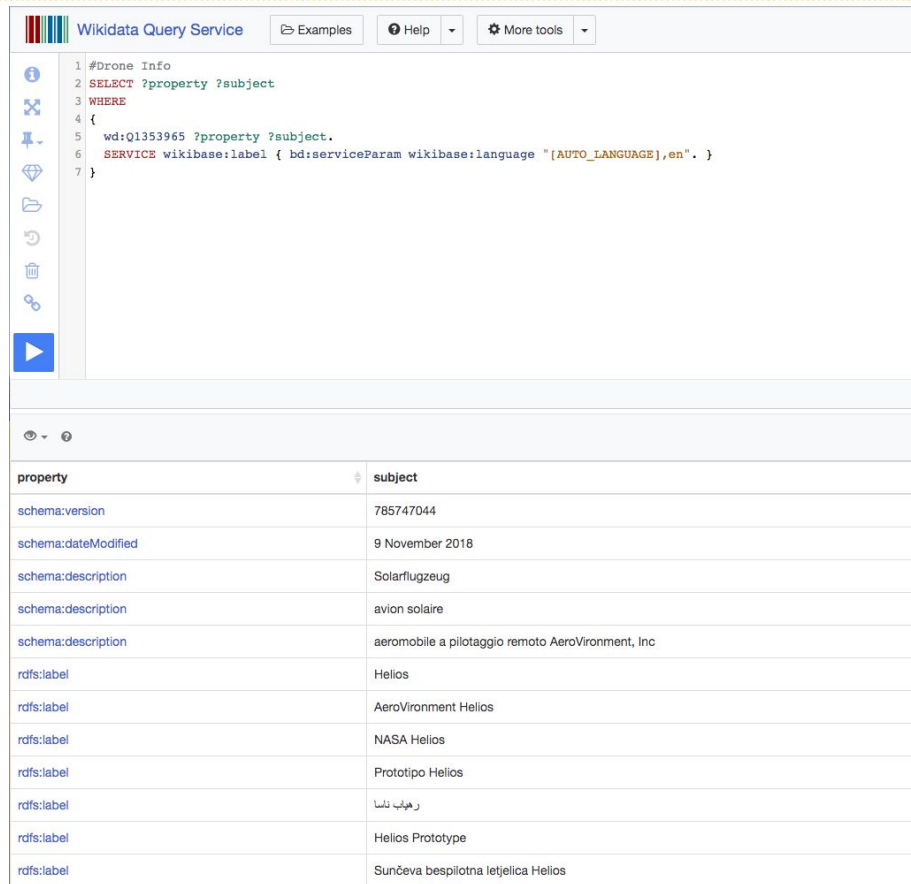
Note:

<https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q1353965>

is NOT the same

THING as

<http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q1353965>

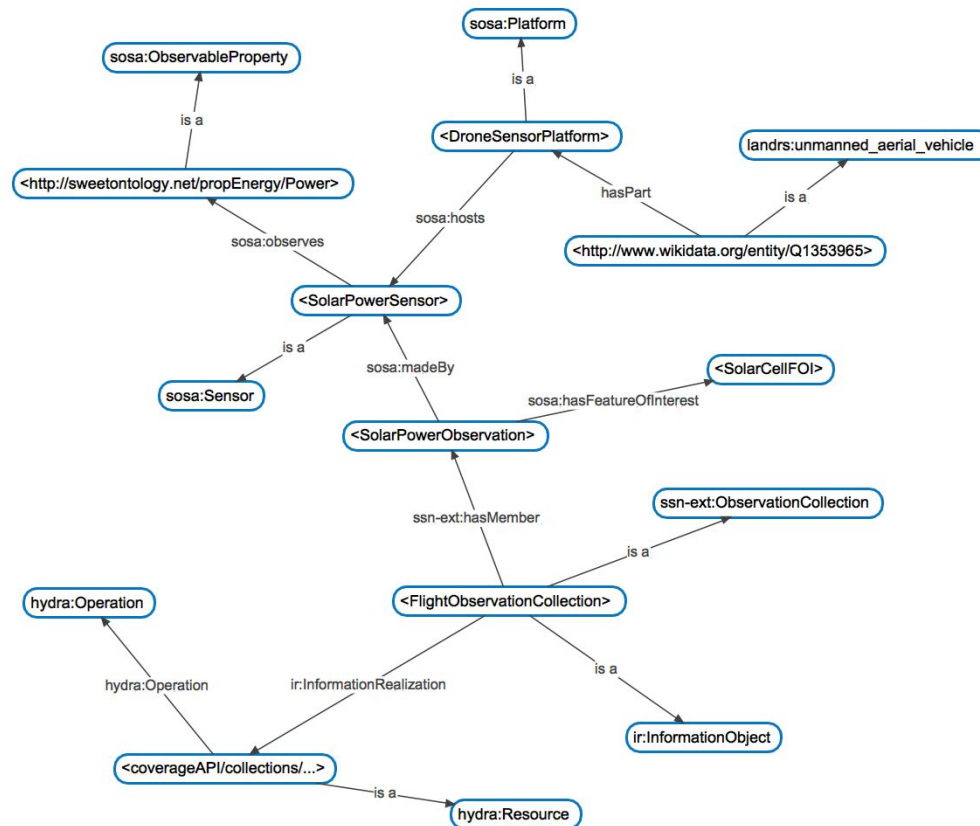


The screenshot shows the Wikidata Query Service interface. The query is a SPARQL query designed to find the service parameter for the Helios aircraft. The results table lists various properties and their corresponding values.

property	subject
schema:version	785747044
schema:dateModified	9 November 2018
schema:description	Solarflugzeug
schema:description	avion solaire
schema:description	aeromobile a pilotaggio remoto AeroVironment, Inc
rdfs:label	Helios
rdfs:label	AeroVironment Helios
rdfs:label	NASA Helios
rdfs:label	Prototipo Helios
rdfs:label	رهبان ناسا
rdfs:label	Helios Prototype
rdfs:label	Sunčeva bespilotna letjelica Helios



# Knowledge Graph Fragment



# Reuse SWEET Ontology

```
### http://sweetontology.net/propEnergy/Power
ener:Power rdf:type owl:Class ;
    rdfs:subClassOf quan:ExtensiveProperty ,
        oper:Ratio ,
        [ rdf:type owl:Restriction ;
            owl:onProperty mrela:hasFirstOperand ;
            owl:allValuesFrom ener:Energy
        ] ,
        [ rdf:type owl:Restriction ;
            owl:onProperty mrela:hasSecondOperand ;
            owl:allValuesFrom time:Time
        ] ,
        [ rdf:type owl:Restriction ;
            owl:onProperty screla:hasDefaultUnit ;
            owl:hasValue units:watt
        ] ;
rdfs:label "power"@en .
```

## Qualified prefixes

```
@prefix : <http://sweetontology.net/propEnergy/> .
@prefix owl: <http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#> .
@prefix rdf: <http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#> .
@prefix xml: <http://www.w3.org/XML/1998/namespace> .
@prefix xsd: <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#> .
@prefix ener: <http://sweetontology.net/propEnergy/> .
@prefix mass: <http://sweetontology.net/propMass/> .
@prefix mult: <http://sweetontology.net/propSpaceMultidimensional/> .
@prefix oper: <http://sweetontology.net/reprMathOperation/> .
@prefix phys: <http://sweetontology.net/procPhysical/> .
@prefix prop: <http://sweetontology.net/prop/> .
@prefix quan: <http://sweetontology.net/propQuantity/> .
@prefix rdfs: <http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#> .
@prefix rela: <http://sweetontology.net/rela/> .
@prefix time: <http://sweetontology.net/reprTime/> .
@prefix mrela: <http://sweetontology.net/relaMath/> .
@prefix prela: <http://sweetontology.net/relaPhysical/> .
@prefix units: <http://sweetontology.net/reprSciUnits/> .
@prefix screla: <http://sweetontology.net/relaSci/> .
```

# Follow your nose again






v3.8.7

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`http://sweetontology.net/propEnergy/Power`  [View/download as](#) ▼

## Power

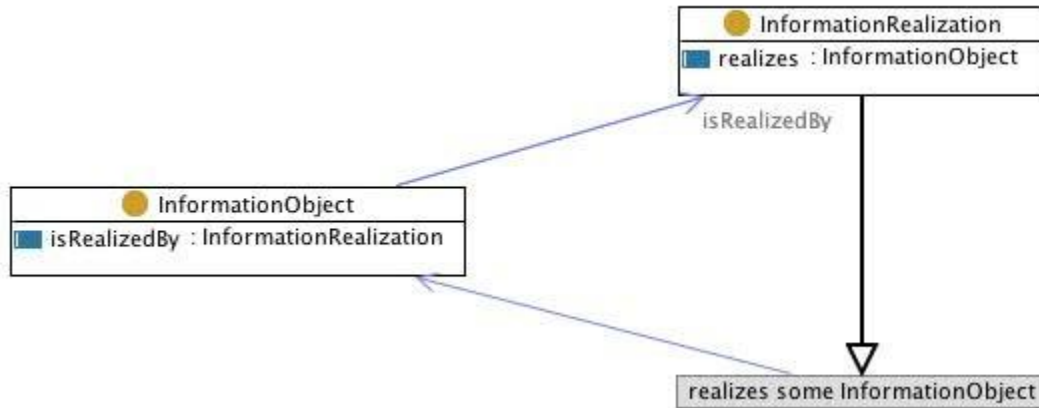
property	value
<a href="http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#type">http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#type</a>	<a href="http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#Class">http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#Class</a> 
<a href="http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#label">http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#label</a>	"power"@en
<a href="http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#subClassOf">http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#subClassOf</a>	<a href="http://sweetontology.net/propQuantity/ExtensiveProperty">http://sweetontology.net/propQuantity/ExtensiveProperty</a> 
<a href="http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#subClassOf">http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#subClassOf</a>	<a href="http://sweetontology.net/reprMathOperation/Ratio">http://sweetontology.net/reprMathOperation/Ratio</a> 
<a href="http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#subClassOf">http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#subClassOf</a>	_:b036B38F3x32867
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# Information Object-Realization



# Hydra Core Vocabulary

## Hydra Core Vocabulary

A Vocabulary for Hypermedia-Driven Web APIs

Unofficial Draft 28 May 2019

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## Abstract

Hydra is a lightweight vocabulary to create hypermedia-driven Web APIs. By specifying a number of concepts commonly used in Web APIs it enables the creation of generic API clients.

## Status of This Document

This document is draft of a potential specification. It has no official standing of any kind and does not represent the support or consensus of any standards organization.

### ISSUE 1

This entire document is a work in progress and several sections are incomplete, missing, or outdated. All open issues and decisions are documented in our [issue tracker](#). If you have questions, please don't hesitate to [join the Hydra W3C Community Group](#) and post to the [mailing list](#).

# Linking Convenience APIs to Concepts

```
# Information object pattern because observation collection can be repackaged as a dataset release or take other forms.
<:FlightObservationCollection> a sosa-ext:ObservationCollection, ir:InformationObject ;
sosa:madeBySensor <SolarPowerSensor> ;
sosa-ext:hasFeatureOfInterest <http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q1353965#SolarArray> ;
ir:realizedBy <http://somehost/coverageAPI/collections> .

# Link between SensorThings and SOSA. Use Hydra-core to describe interactions.
# Realization of the Obs Collection since the collection can take different forms. For example a Dataset release, a API endpoint, etc.
# For example hydra-box https://github.com/zazuko/hydra-box/blob/master/examples/spaceprobes.api.jsonld
<http://somehost/coverageAPI/collections> a ir:InformationRealization, st:datastream, hydra:Resource ;
ir:hasInformationObject <FlightObservationCollection> ;
dct:isDescribedBy: http://somehost/api/apiDocumentation ;
hydra:operation [
  . a hydra:Operation ;
  . hydra:method "GET" ;
  . hydra:expects [
    . a hydra:RequestSpecification ;
    . hydra:content [
      . a hydra:rawContent ;
      . # Content-negotiation type for api
      . hydra:supportedContentType "application/coverage+json"
    . ],
  . ]
  . a hydra:rawContent ;
  . # Content-negotiation type for api
  . hydra:supportedContentType "application/json"
] .

http://somehost/api/apiDocumentation a hydra:apiDocumentation .
```

# Linked Data JSON Document

```
{
  "@id" : "http://example.org/05",
  "@type" : "sosa:Observation",
  "hasFeatureOfInterest" : "http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q1353965#SolarArray",
  "hasResult" : [
    {
      "@type": "qudt-1-1:QuantityValue",
      "qudt-1-1:numericValue": {
        "@value": "2.0",
        "@type": "http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#double"
      },
      "qudt-1-1:unit": "qudt-unit-1-1:W"
    }
  ],
  "madeBySensor" : "http://example.org/SolarPowerSensor",
  "observedProperty" : "http://sweetontology.net/propEnergy/Power",
  "phenomenonTime" : "._:b11",
  "resultTime" : "2018-03-10T15:12:00+10:00",
  "usedProcedure" : "http://example.org/p3",
  "hasUltimateFeatureOfInterest" : "http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q1353965"
}, {
  "@id" : "http://example.org/FlightObservationCollection_01",
  "@type" : "ssn-ext:ObservationCollection",
  "hasFeatureOfInterest" : "http://example.org/Sample_2",
  "madeBySensor" : "http://example.org/s4",
  "observedProperty" : "http://example.org/op2",
  "phenomenonTime" : "._:b13",
  "usedProcedure" : "http://example.org/p3",
  "hasMember" : [ "http://example.org/05", "http://example.org/04" ]
}, {
  "@id" : "http://example.org/foia",
  "@type" : "sosa:FeatureOfInterest"
```

# Can be dynamically generated

City of Zurich linked data portal

<https://stat.stadt-zuerich.ch/api>

<https://github.com/StatistikStadtZuerich/stat.stadt-zuerich.ch>

 Stadt Zürich Statistisches Informationsportal

<https://stat.stadt-zuerich.ch/api>

a <http://www.w3.org/ns/hydra/core#ApiDocumentation>

type	ApiDocumentation
supportedClass	Tags
supportedClass	Dataset
supportedClass	ABL-RAUM-ZEIT-ALT-HEL
supportedClass	ABL-RAUM-ZEIT-HEL
supportedClass	ABL-RAUM-ZEIT
supportedClass	ADA-RAUM-ZEIT-BTA
supportedClass	ANT-RAUM-ZEIT-GGH-HEL
supportedClass	AST-RAUM-ZEIT-BEW-BTA
supportedClass	AUF-RAUM-ZEIT-BTA
supportedClass	AUL-RAUM-ZEIT-BTA-MEA
supportedClass	AUL-RAUM-ZEIT-BTA
supportedClass	AVA-RAUM-ZEIT-GGH-HEL-SEX
supportedClass	AVA-RAUM-ZEIT-GGH-HEL
supportedClass	AVA-RAUM-ZEIT-GGH-SEX
supportedClass	AVA-RAUM-ZEIT
supportedClass	BES-RAUM-ZEIT-BTA-SEX
supportedClass	BES-RAUM-ZEIT-BTA

# CovJSON + OpenAPI

## Overview of the CoverageJSON format



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## Abstract

This Note describes CoverageJSON, a data format for describing "coverage" data in JavaScript Object Notation (JSON), and provides an overview of its design and capabilities. The primary intended purpose of the format is to enable data transfer between servers and web browsers, to support the development of interactive, data-driven web applications. "Coverage" data is a term that encompasses many kinds of data whose properties vary with space, time and other dimensions, including (but not limited to) satellite imagery, weather forecasts and river gauge measurements. We describe the motivation and objectives of the format, and provide a high-level overview of its structure and semantics. We compare CoverageJSON with other "coverage" formats and data



# **OpenAPI Status Update**

**Lewis McGibbney, NASA JPL)**

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# ESIP Design Hack1

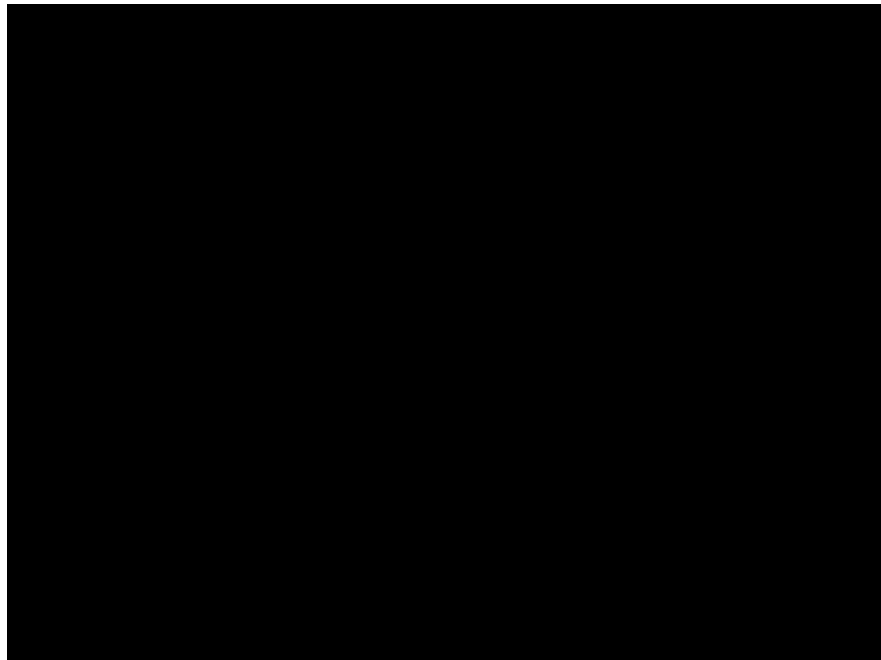
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## GOAL(S)

*OpenAPI Track - Developing an OpenAPI for Drone Data Capture: Starting with the existing [OGC Coverages OpenAPI](#) we evaluated whether it met our predefined use case. Future work was tabled to discuss how linked data (SOSA/SSN/SWEET/ENVO) can play a role in linking observation features of interest (the *thing(s)* being sensed), to the platform/sensor/equipment doing the observing (the *thing(s) doing the sensing*).*

## OUTCOME(S)

Collaborators produced the existing OpenAPI specification which resides at <https://s.apache.org/t41s3>





# The LANDRS OpenAPI

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**Capabilities** - essential characteristics of the OpenAPI including information about the data

GET /conformance

GET /collections...

**Collections** - Logical collection grouping to arrange Coverages

PUT /collections/{collectionid}

**Coverages** - Collection feature that acts as a function to return values from its range for any direct position within its spatial, temporal or spatiotemporal domain.

GET /collections/{collectionid}/coverages

GET/PUT /collections/{collectionid}/coverages/coverageid

GET /collections/{collectionid}/coverages/domainset

GET /collections/{collectionid}/coverages/rangetype

GET /collections/{collectionid}/coverages/rangeset

**Items** - Information objects associated with a given {collectionid}

GET /collections/{collectionid}/items

GET/PUT /collections/{collectionid}/items/{itemid}

---

# Example Sensor Application

```
{
  "siteCurrentPowerFlow": {
    "unit": "W",
    "connections": [
      {
        "from": "GRID",
        "to": "Load"
      }
    ]
  },
  "GRID": {
    "status": "Active",
    "currentPower": 3435.7797851562
  },
  "LOAD": {
    "status": "Active",
    "currentPower": 3435.7797851562
  },
  "PV": {
    "status": "Idle",
    "currentPower": 0
  },
  "STORAGE": {
    "status": "Idle",
    "currentPower": 0,
    "chargeLevel": 27,
    "critical": false
  }
}
```



[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Helios\\_Prototype](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Helios_Prototype)

# Future Work

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- Serve linked data natively...
    - 'Site' metadata
    - Timeseries measurements
    - Site power
    - Current power flow
    - Equipment information
    - Inventory of on-site equipment
    - Solar inverter technical information
    - ...
  - Utilize the ESIP Community Ontology Repository (COR) for longer-term storage and access to linked data for future LANDRS UxS use cases
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