# Graph of Dated Objects and Texts

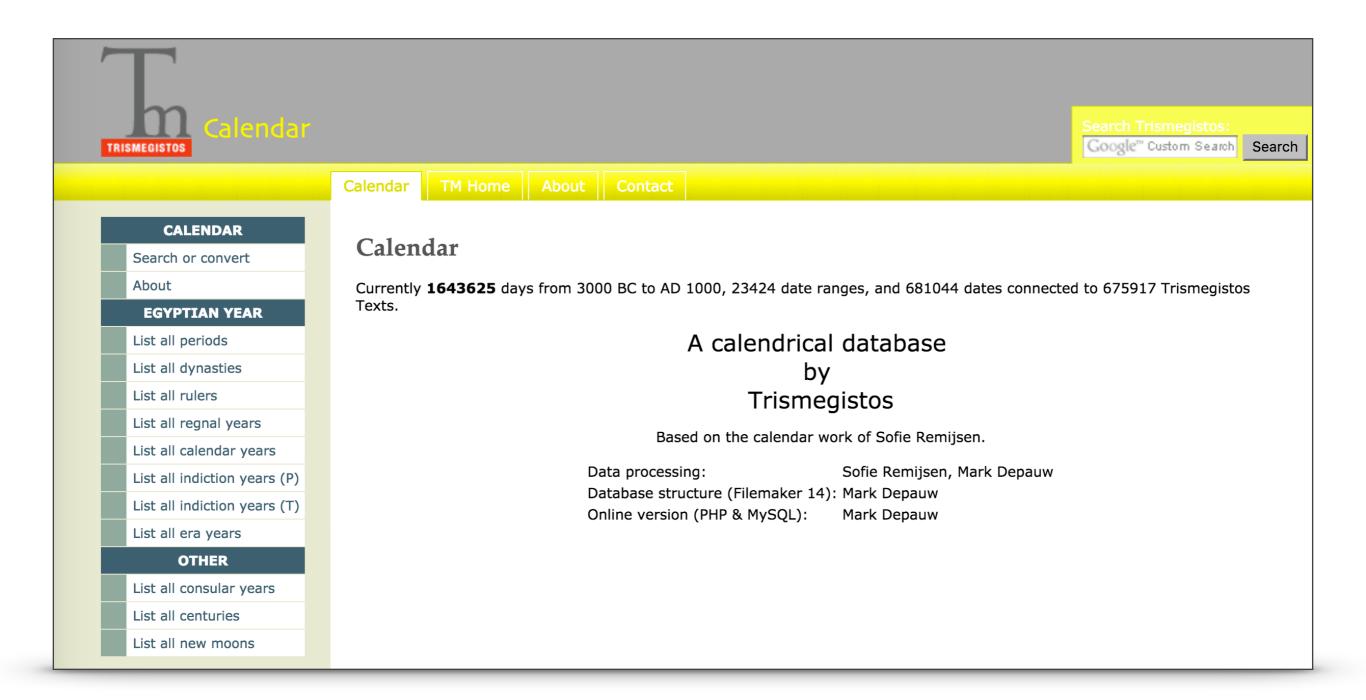
(Building a Chronological Gazetteer for Antiquity)

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### **GODOT** - features

- is both a chronological gazetteer and a research infrastructure (searching & browsing)
- provides stable, citable URIs for instances of dates in major ancient calendar systems
- enables links between data from various data sources
- focus on dates given in multiple calendars (double dates) and synchronisms between different ancient calendar systems
- date conversions into Julian calendar & between different calendar systems
- public API
- (web annotations as community building feature: discuss/ comment chronology & calendar conversions online)

|               | search          | granularity | periods   | criteria |
|---------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------|----------|
| EDCS          | no              |             |           |          |
| HE            | no <sup>*</sup> |             |           |          |
| PHI           | no*             |             |           |          |
| RIB           | no*             |             |           | yes      |
| MAMA          | browse          | year        | centuries |          |
| Ubi erat lupa | yes (periods)   | periods     | historic  | yes      |
| EDB           | yes             | year        | centuries |          |
| EDH           | yes             | day         | historic  |          |
| EDR           | yes             | day         | historic  | yes      |
| IAph/IRT      | yes             | year        | centuries | yes      |
| Petrae        | yes             | year        |           |          |
| LSA           | yes             | year        |           |          |



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#### Result for:

Calendar type: Egyptian Calendar (Roman Period)

Reign: Hadrian Regnal Year: 15

Year 15 of Hadrian, day 11 of Xoiak (GODOT-ID: http://godot.date/id/6dfg87df)

Julian Date: 7.12.130 AD

Calendar type: Egyptian Calendar (Roman Period)

Origin: Bernand: Inscriptions grecques et latines du Colosse de Memnon No. 34

(http://epigraphy.packhum.org/text/227955?bookid=386&location=9)

... δράτου καὶ Πτολεμαίου, ἔτει ιε' Άδριανοῦ Καίσαρος τοῦ κυρίου, ια' Χοίακ...

Year 15 of Hadrian, day 6 of Xoiak (GODOT-ID: http://godot.date/id/74ik7jjh5)

Julian Date: 2.12.130 AD

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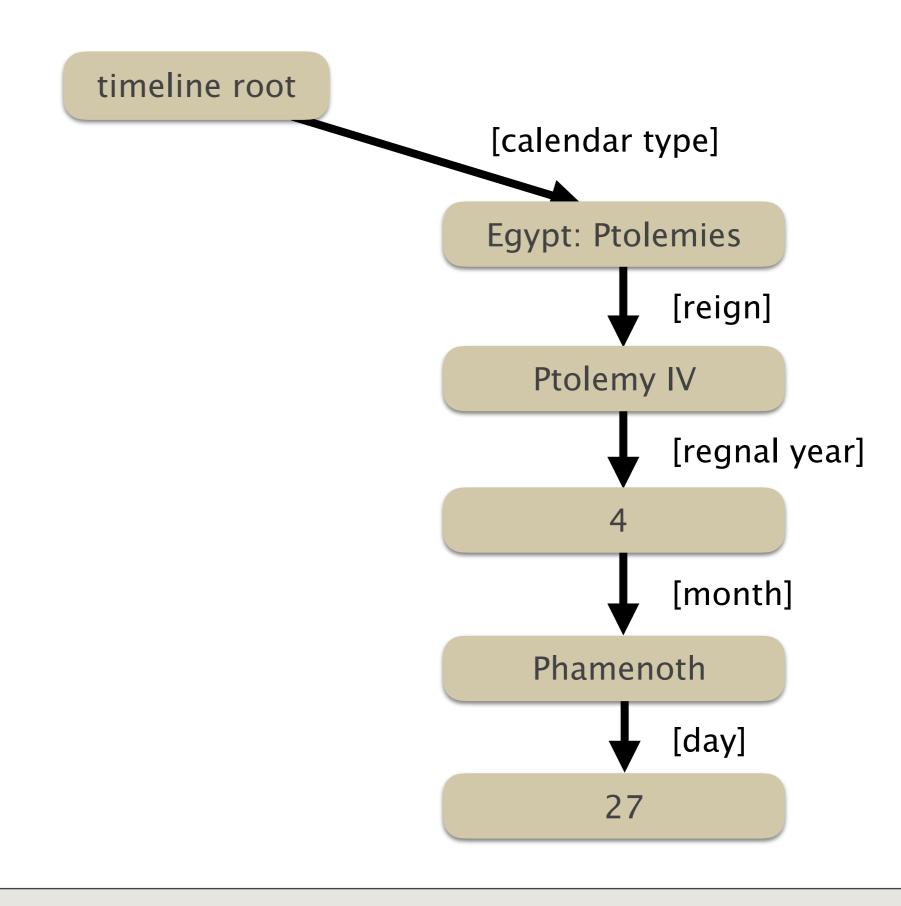
Origin: P.Oslo III 92 (http://papyri.info/ddbdp/p.oslo;3;92)

...(ἔτους) ιε Αὐτοκράτορος Καίσαρος Τραι(\*)ανοῦ Άδριανοῦ Σεβαστοῦ Χοίαχ ς...

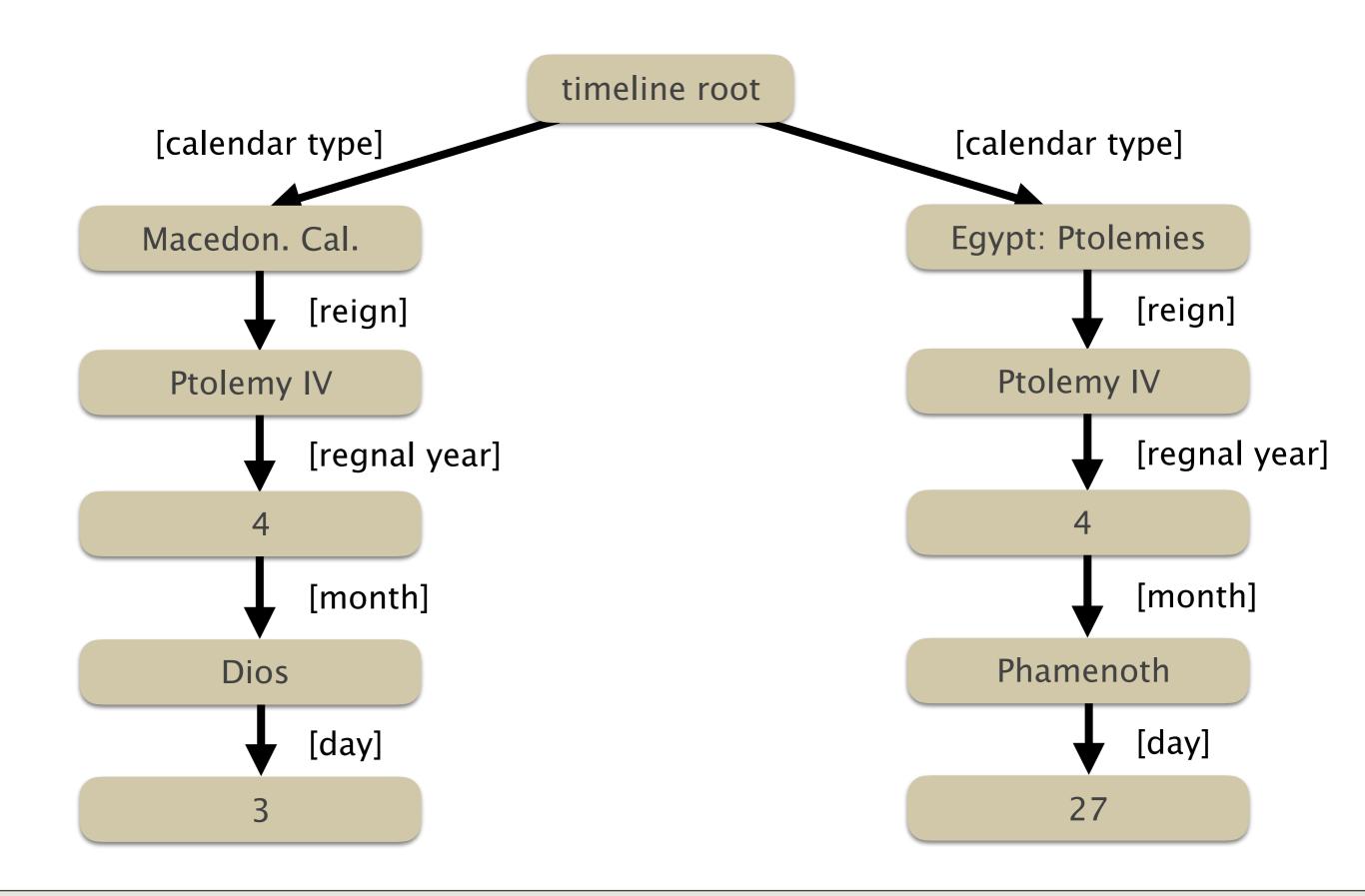
### GODOT - data sources

- inscriptions:
  - EAGLE network (EDB, EDR, EDH, etc.)
- papyri/ostraca
  - papyri.info (Heidelberger Gesamtverzeichnis)
- coins
  - nomisma.org datasets
- literary texts
  - Perseus Digital Library (Herodot, Thukydides, etc.)
- other digital projects like
  - Digital marmor parium (Leipzig)
- egyptology
  - Thesaurus Linguae Aegyptiae
  - RAMSES
  - Elephantine Project Berlin
- cuneiform studies
  - Cuneiform Digital Library Initiative (CDLI)
  - Munich Open-access Cuneiform Corpus Initiative (MOCCI)

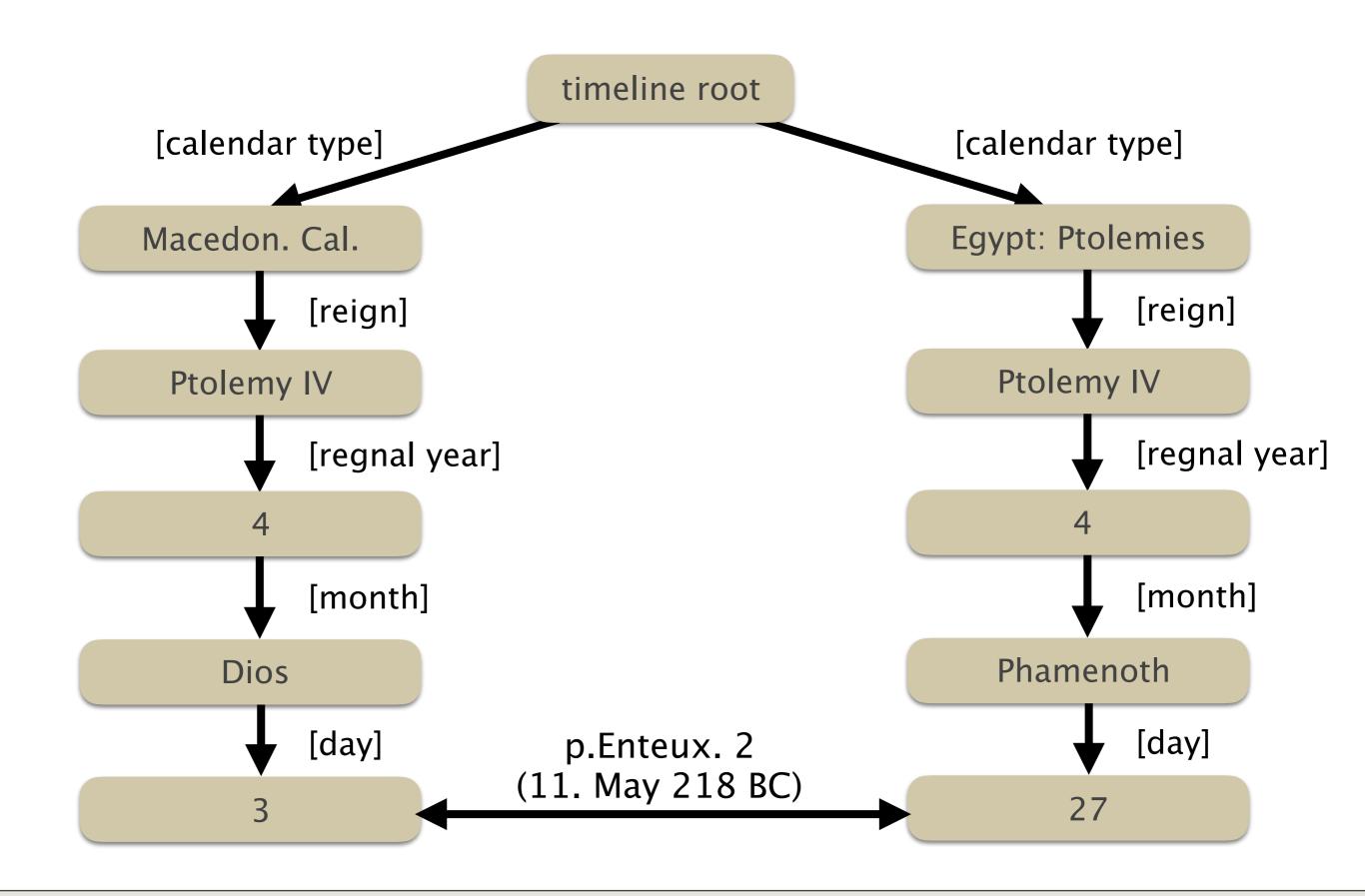
timeline root



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## GODOT - challenges

- vagueness/fuzzyness of dates/incomplete data
- What is a date? Or to be more precise: what is an instance of a date?
- RDF / JSON-LD und Time ontology (=> Calendar Ontology?)
- Creating a lively community around GODOT? (if & how)

# GODOT website: http://godot.date

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#### What is GODOT?

The aim of this database system is to build a gazetteer of calendar days in different calendar systems used in the Greek and Roman antiquity all across the mediterranean sea. Like geographical gazetteers this can be used to provide unique identifiers for each day in any of the calendar systems that has been used to refer to an astronomical day in any ancient source, be it papyri, ostraca or inscriptions. As a result ancient sources referring to the same day can be linked together, queries for dates and date ranges against the graph will return a set of ancient objects and texts. Where a clear system of conversions between different calendar systems has been established, dates will be converted to Julian etc. dates. As more and more dates from antiquity are linked to the system, a complex graph of ancient dated objects and texts evolves.