

# Origins of Practice

- W3C maintains many small vocabularies
  - Specifications may define namespaces with terms
  - Test Suites may extend other test suites and/or need to reduce to available datasets for processing (e.g., EARL reports)

# Uses of Vocabularies

- Machine-readable metadata
  - Classes, Properties, Datatypes, Domains, Ranges
- Human-readable
  - Developer Documentation
- Generate/maintain JSON-LD Contexts
  - Context can include the full vocabulary definition extractable as RDF