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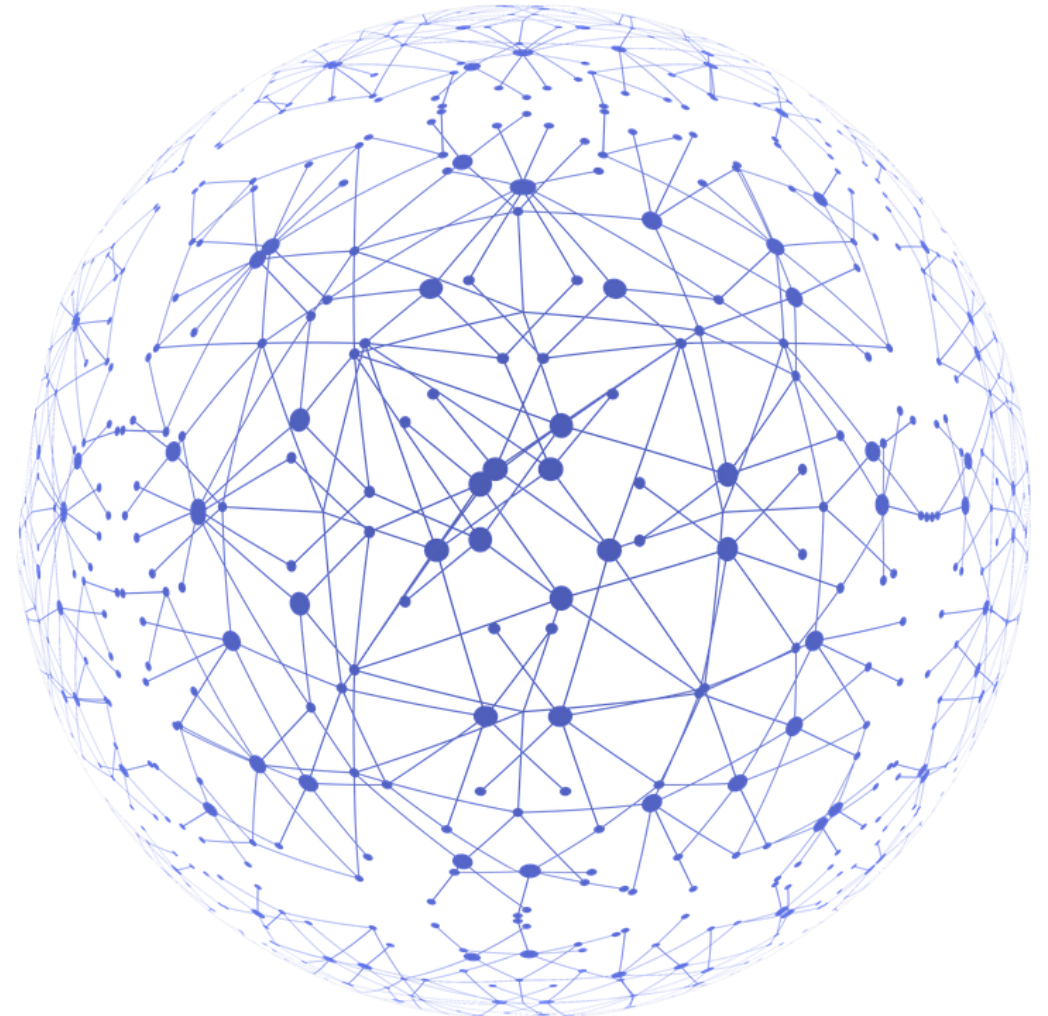


Introduction to Knowledge Technologies: Knowledge Graphs, the Semantic Web and Linked Data

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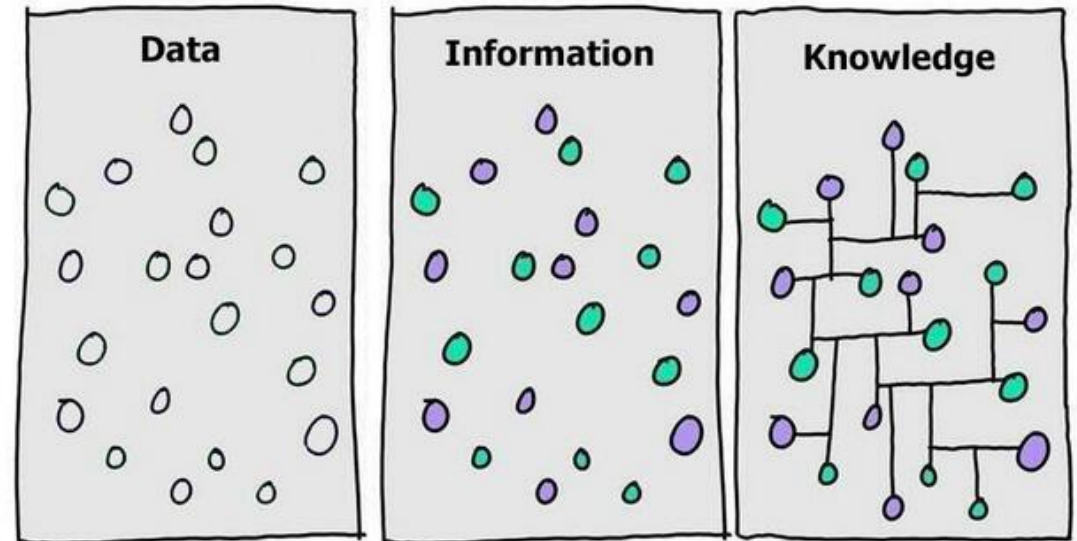
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Basic concepts: Knowledge

- **Data**

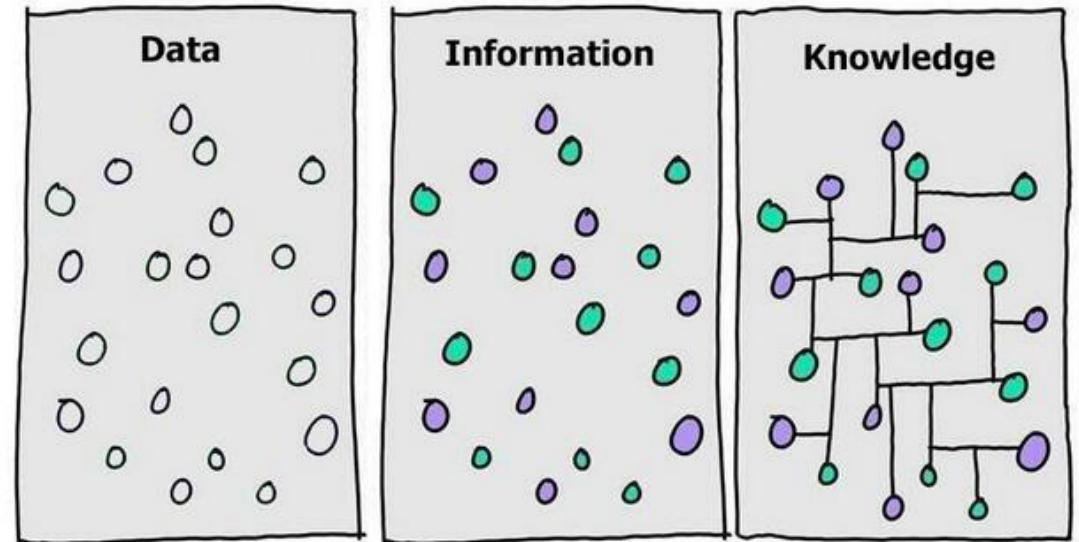
- **Unorganized**
- **Unprocessed,**
- discrete, objective **facts** or
- **observations**
- Without a meaning (e.g., sensor measurements)



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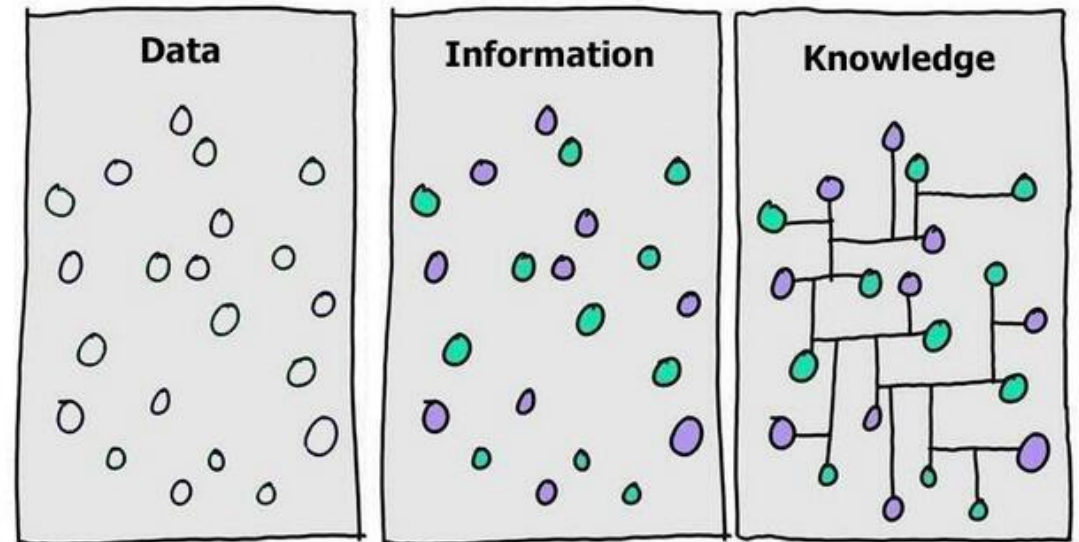
- **Information:**

- Data processed for a purpose
- E.g., statistical analysis



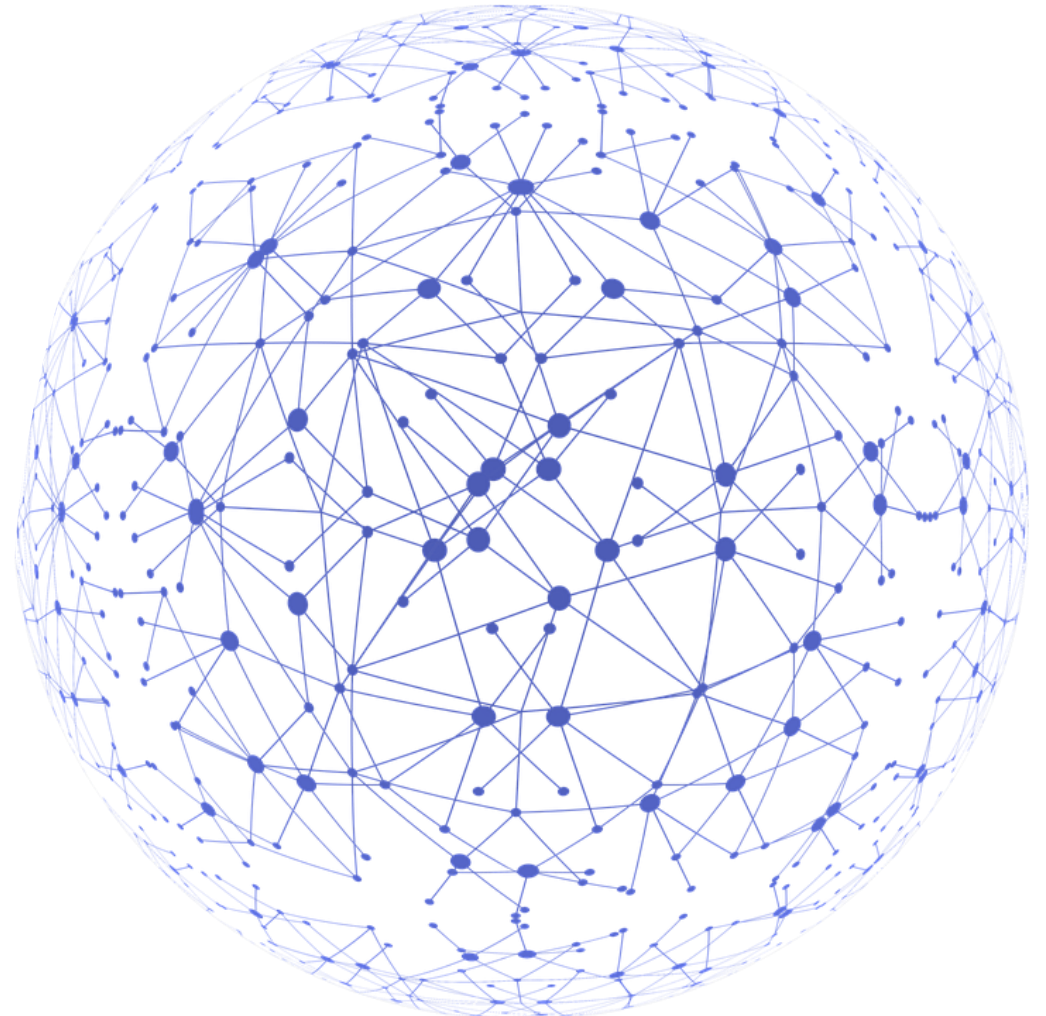
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- **Knowledge:**
 - Combination of:
 - Data
 - Information
 - Expert's Knowledge
- Decision Making



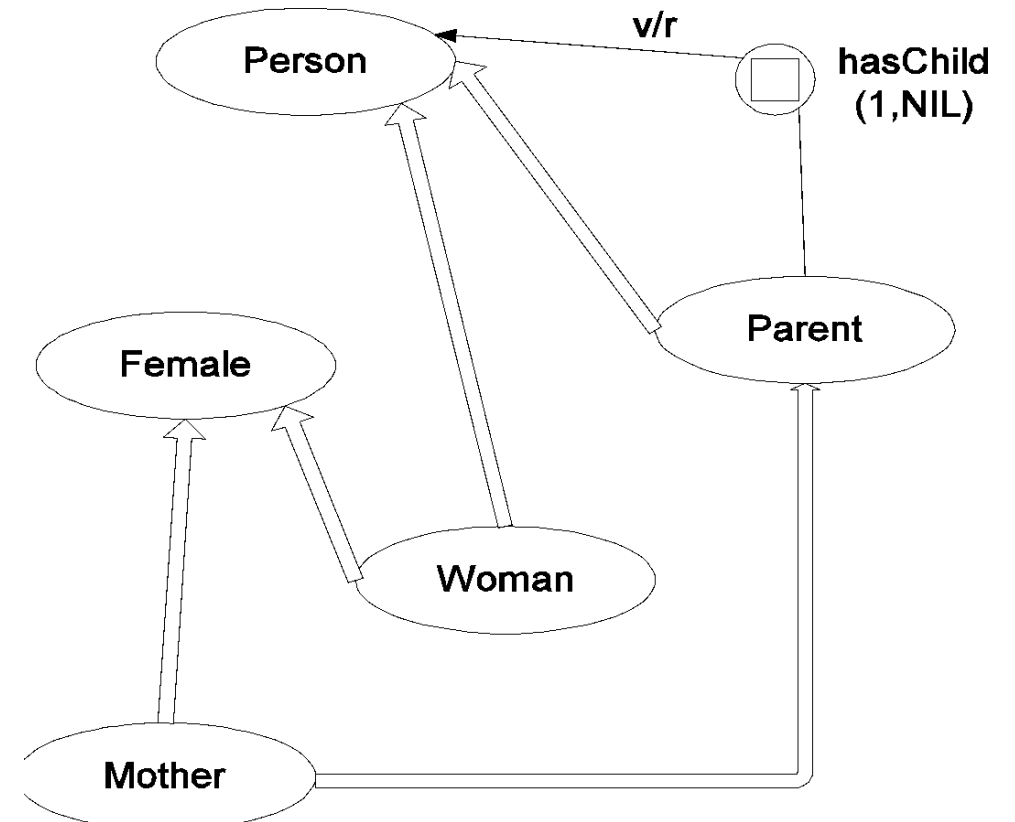
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Some History: Knowledge as Graph - KL-ONE

- Appeared in **1977** by Brachmann
- Idea: **Structured inheritance** networks
- **KL-ONE descriptions** are always formed from other **more general KL-ONE descriptions**
- **Innovation:** use of a deductive classifier
- Can **validate** a frame ontology and **deduce** new information



	Generic Concept	Generic Role	
1) <i>Intra-Concept:</i>	RoleID	Instance or Coref Role	
	RoleF	SD	
	Structure		
2) <i>Intra-Role:</i>	Generic Role	[atom]	
	Facets:		
	V/R	Generic Concept	
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KL-ONE manual: <https://apps.dtic.mil/sti/tr/pdf/ADA122437.pdf>

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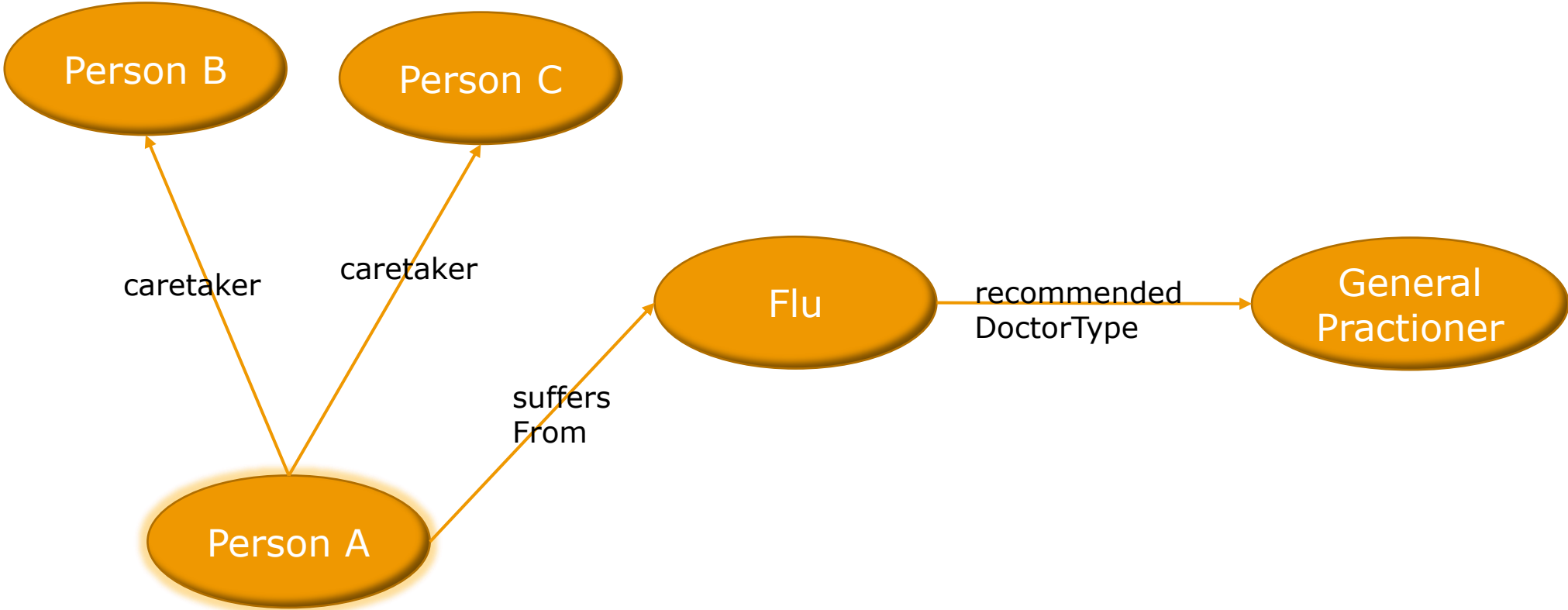
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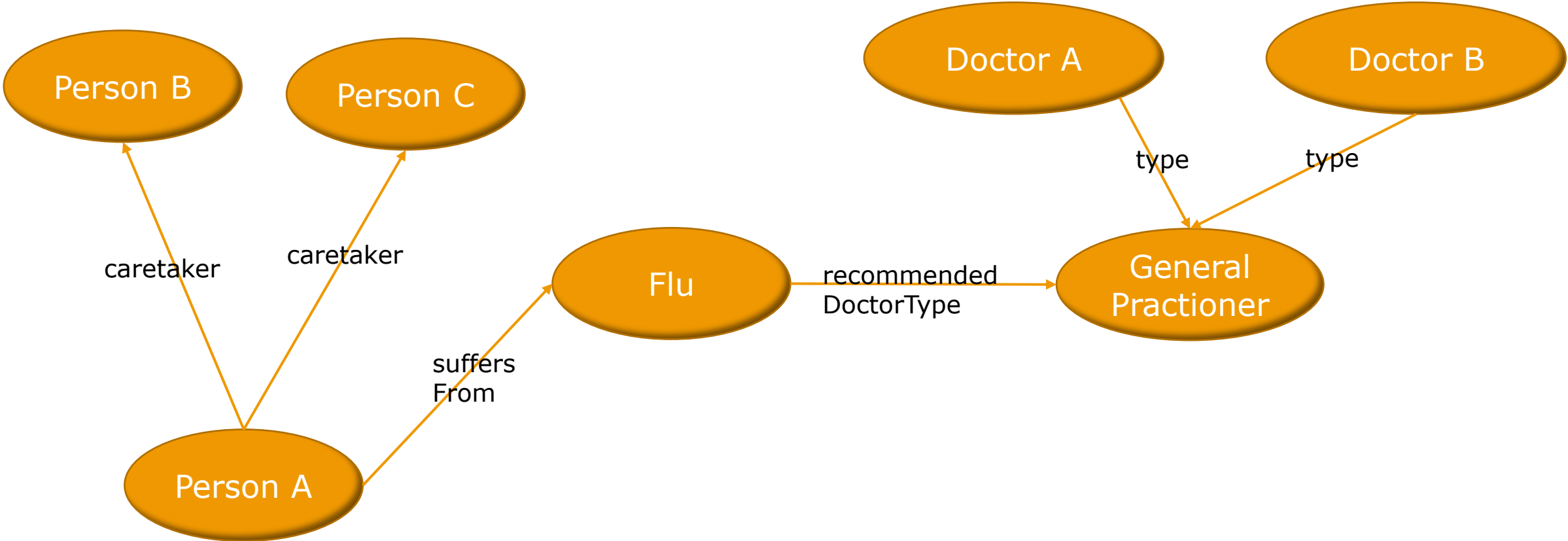
This practically means that the data will be published on the web:

- in a **machine** and **human understandable** way
- the machines will be able to **collect data** from various **distant resources**
- and they will be able to make **inferences** from these data

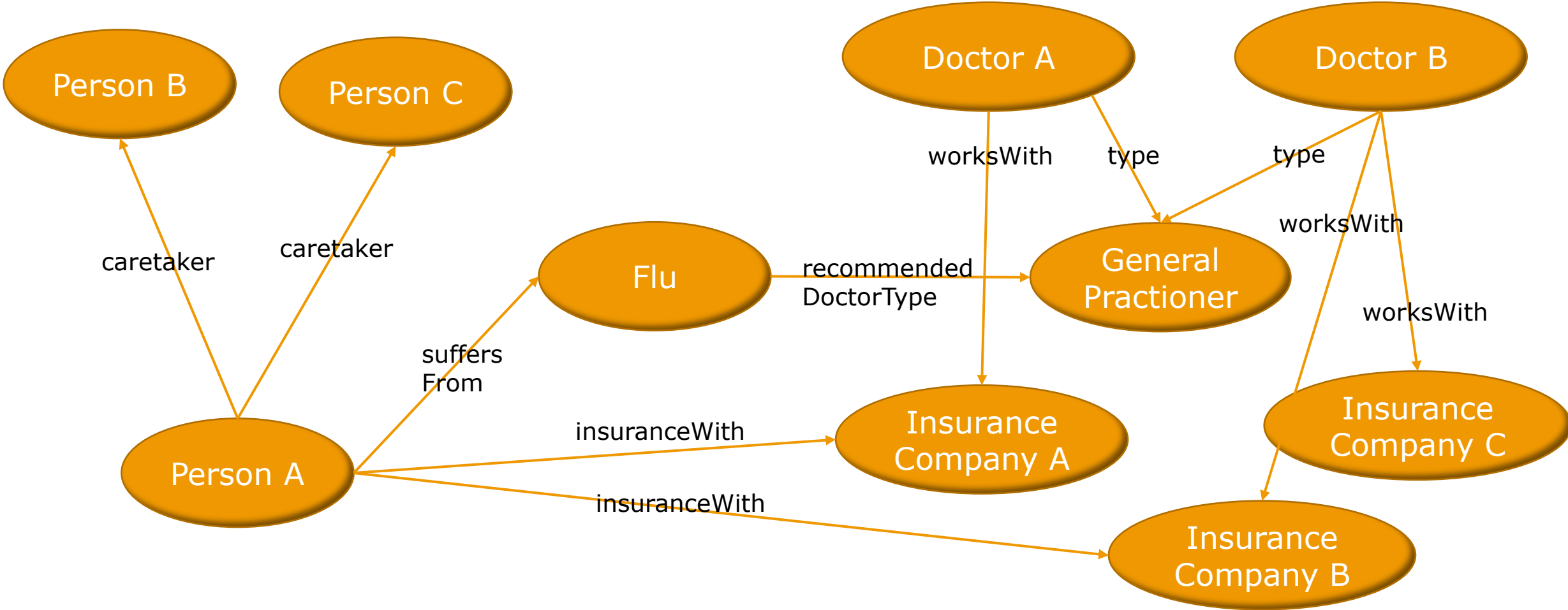
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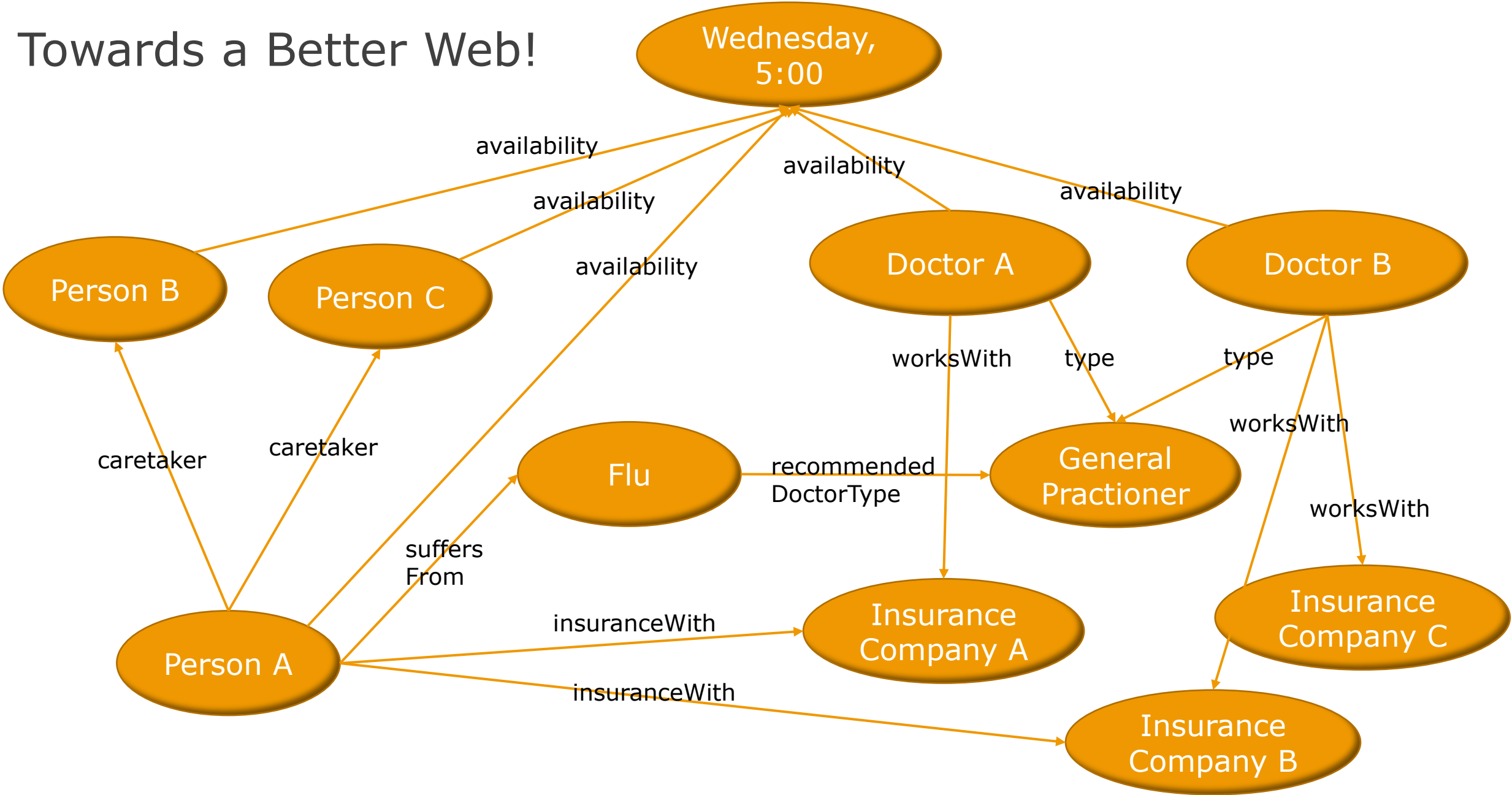
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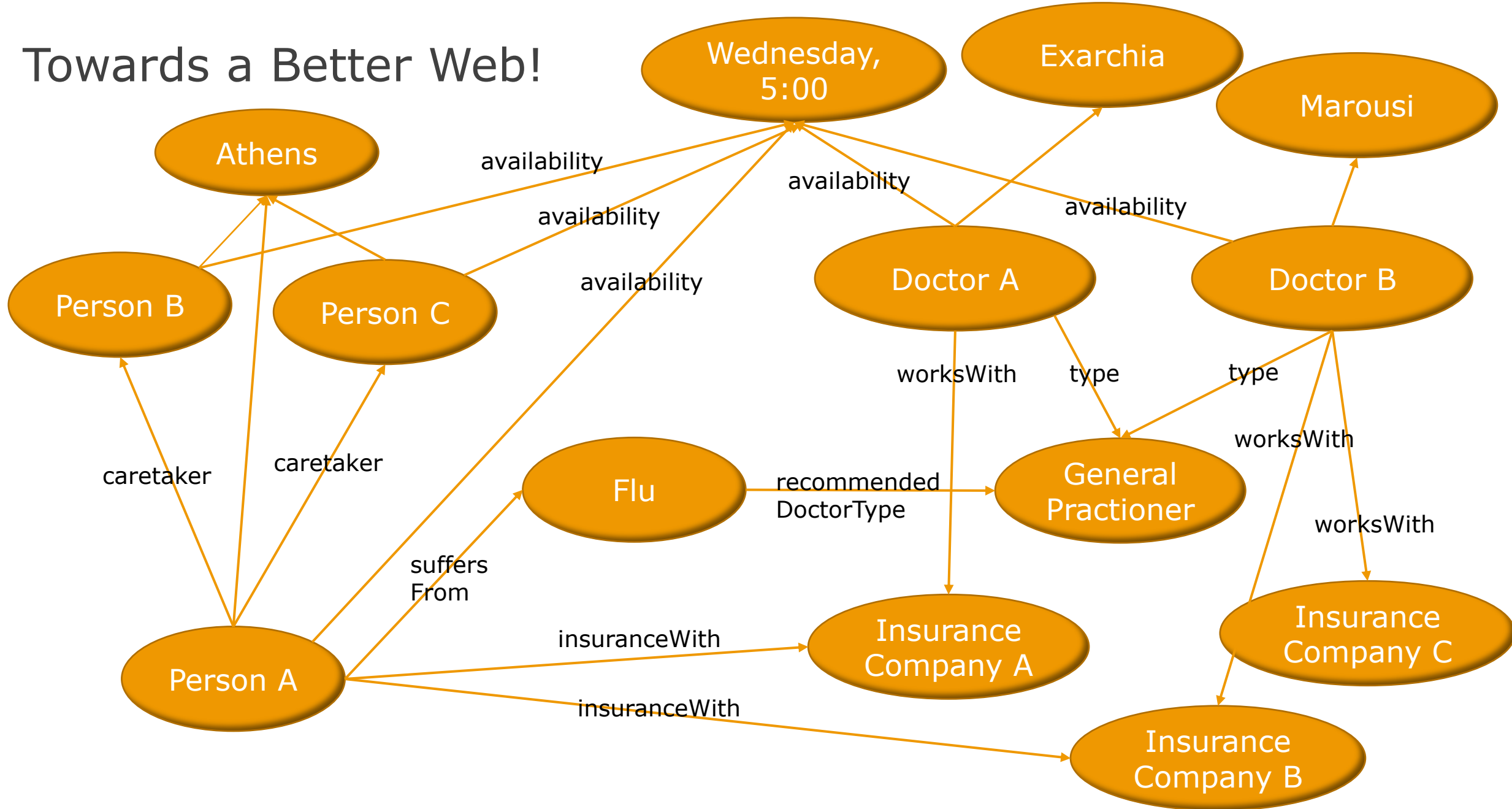
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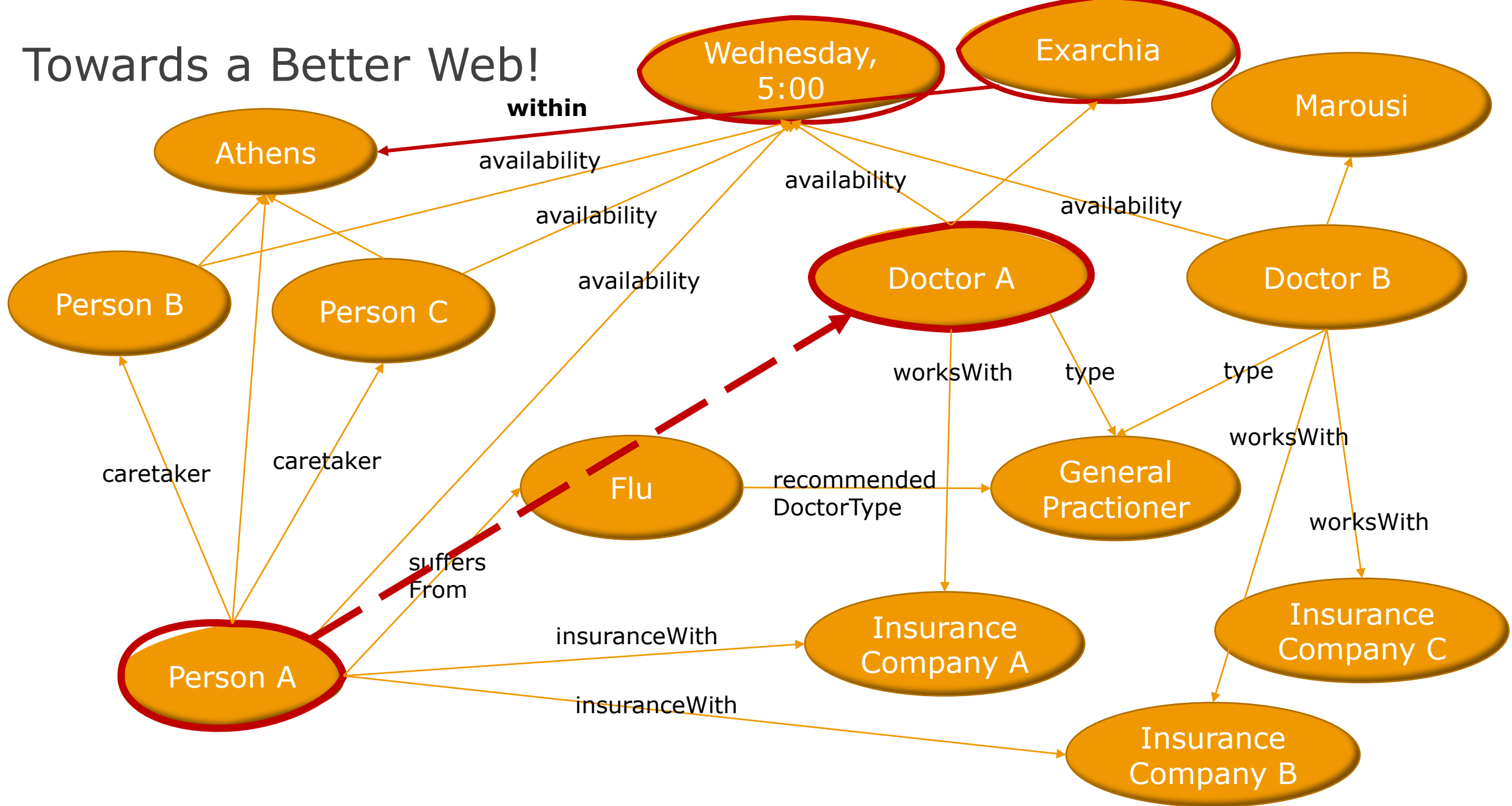
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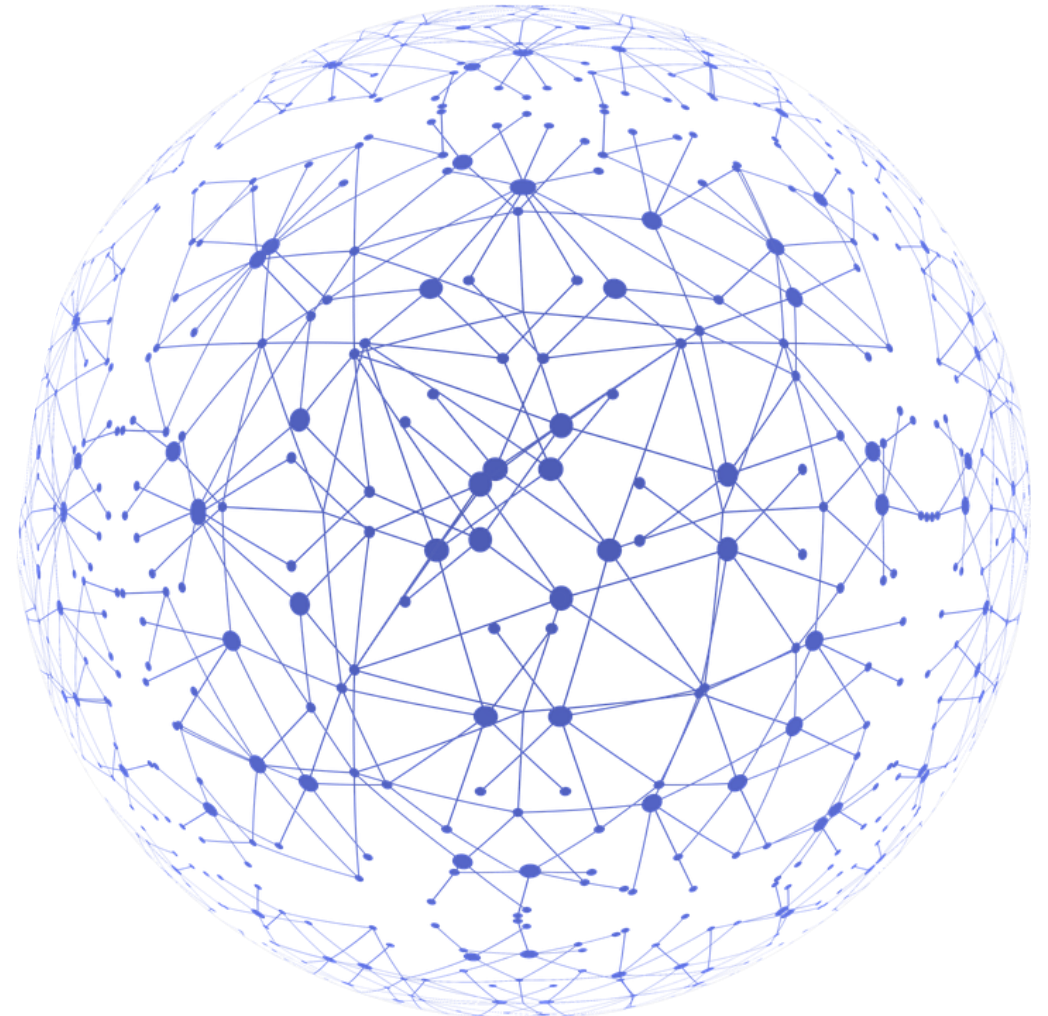


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*EO image for
crop health*



*Crop health
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outputs*



*foodborne
pathogens*



*“Safety
evaluation of
the food
enzyme pectin
lyase..”*



*Food
ingredients
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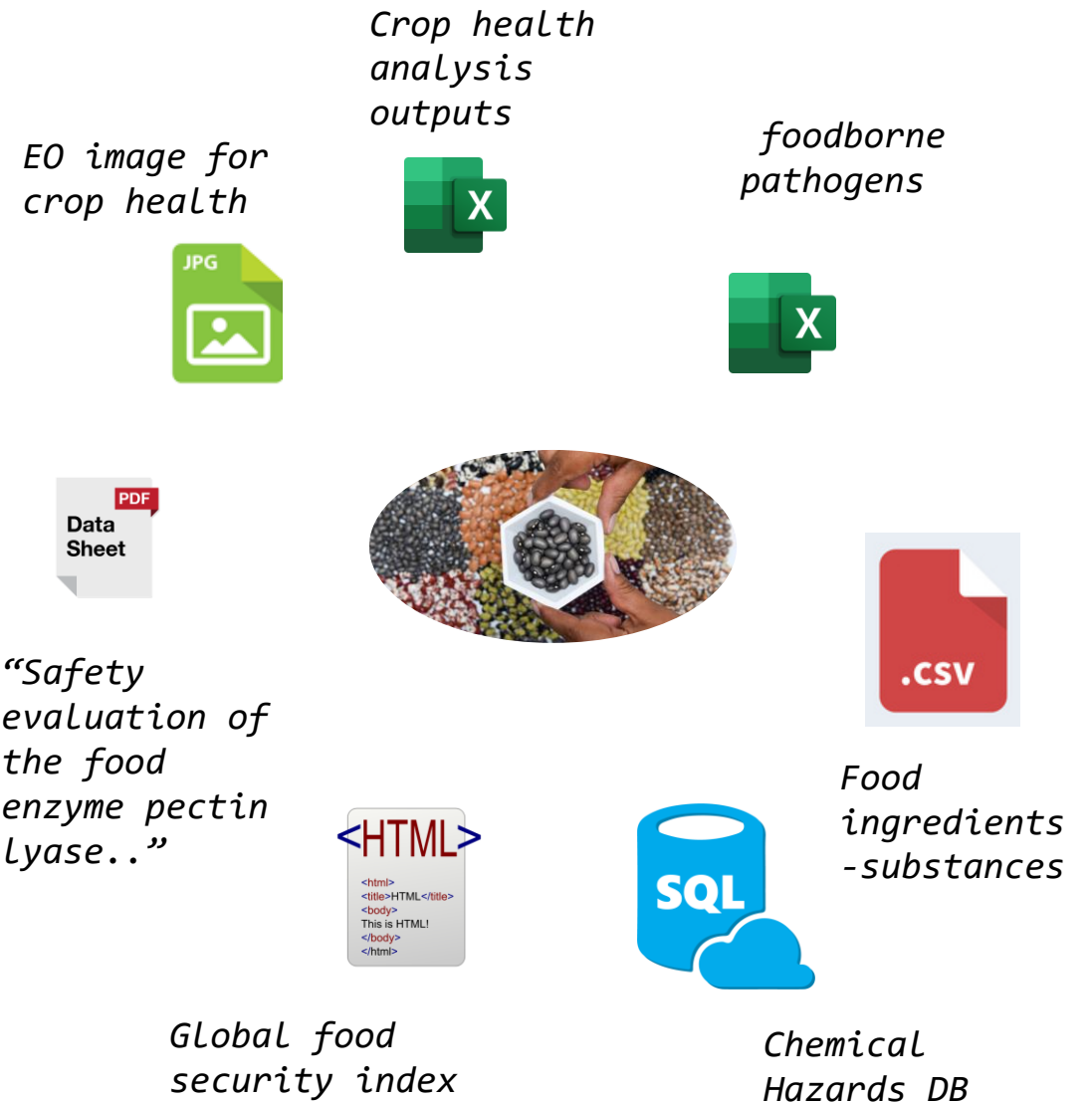


*Global food
security index*

*Chemical
Hazards DB*

Motivating Example: Food Security

- Various types of **format**
- **Heterogeneous** systems (different dialects)
- **Multiple** resources
- **Different terminology**
 - in North America “biscuit” refers to a softer “quick bread”
 - in Britain it usually means a hard, flat unleavened baked product



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- **Aggregate:**

- Metadata
- Machine/Human-readable language

- **Integrate:**

- Interlink metadata, interlink data
- Shared understanding of the terminology

- **Make sense of these data**

- Implied information

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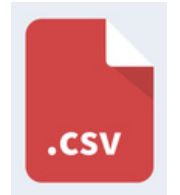
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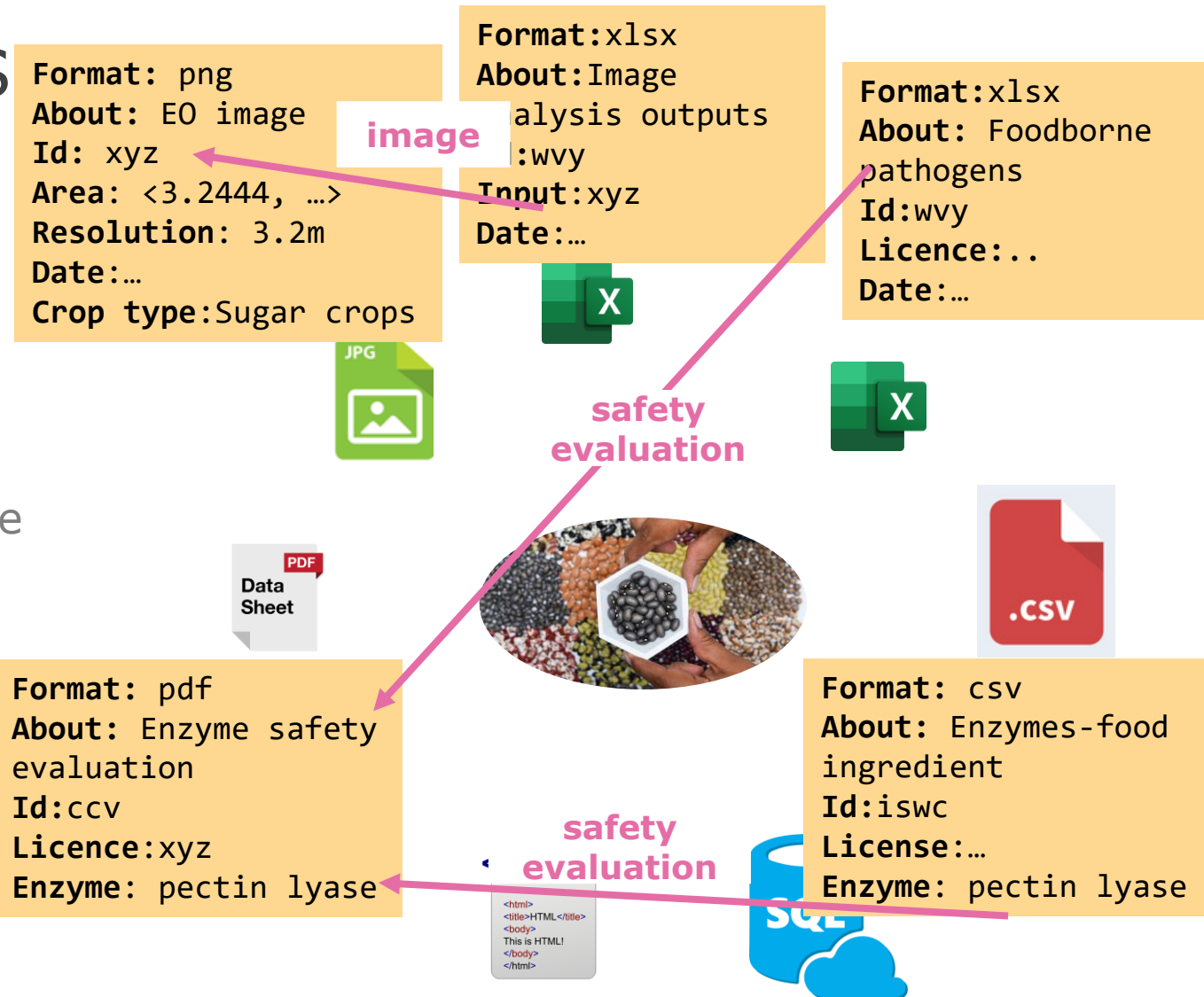
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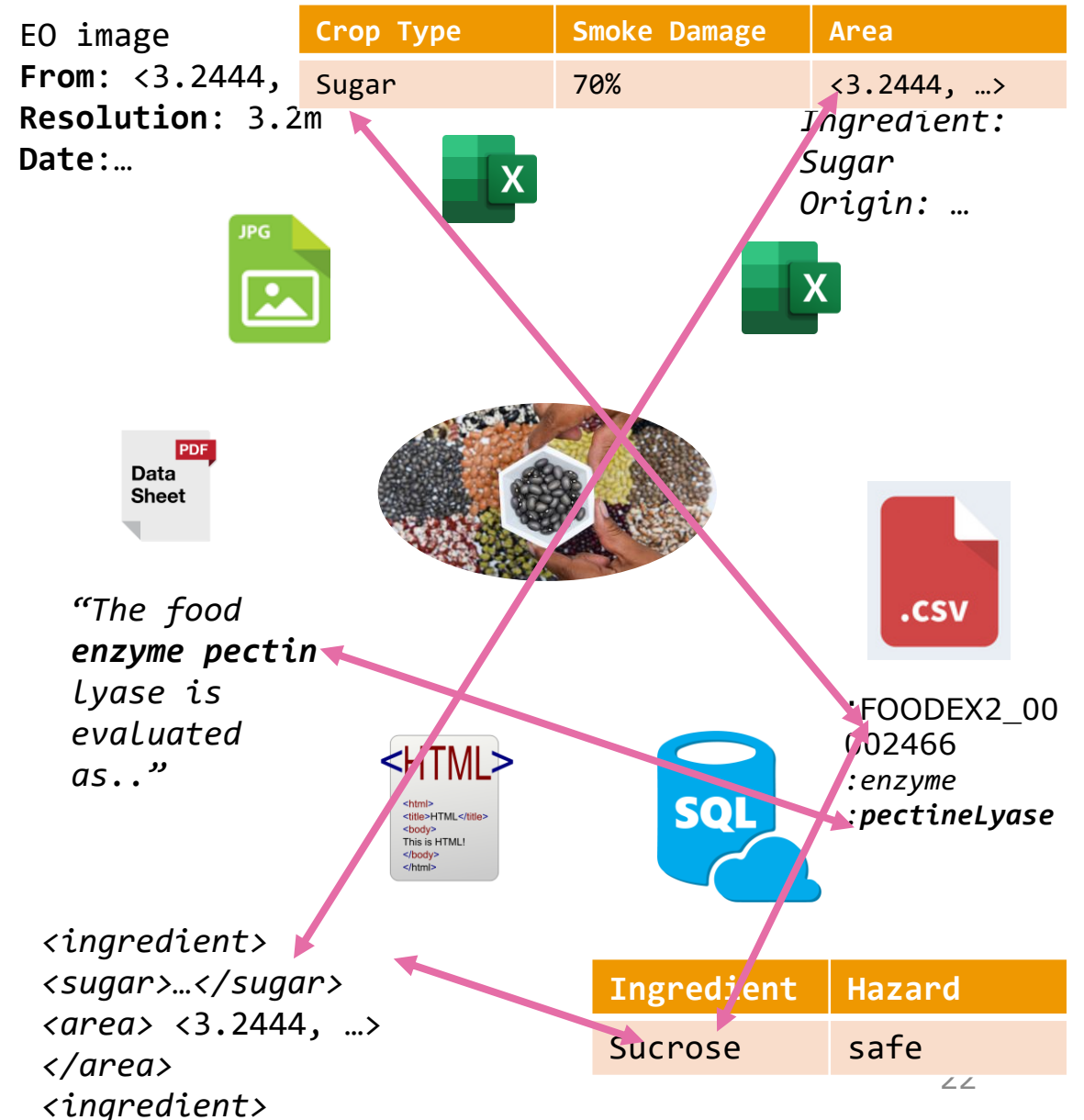
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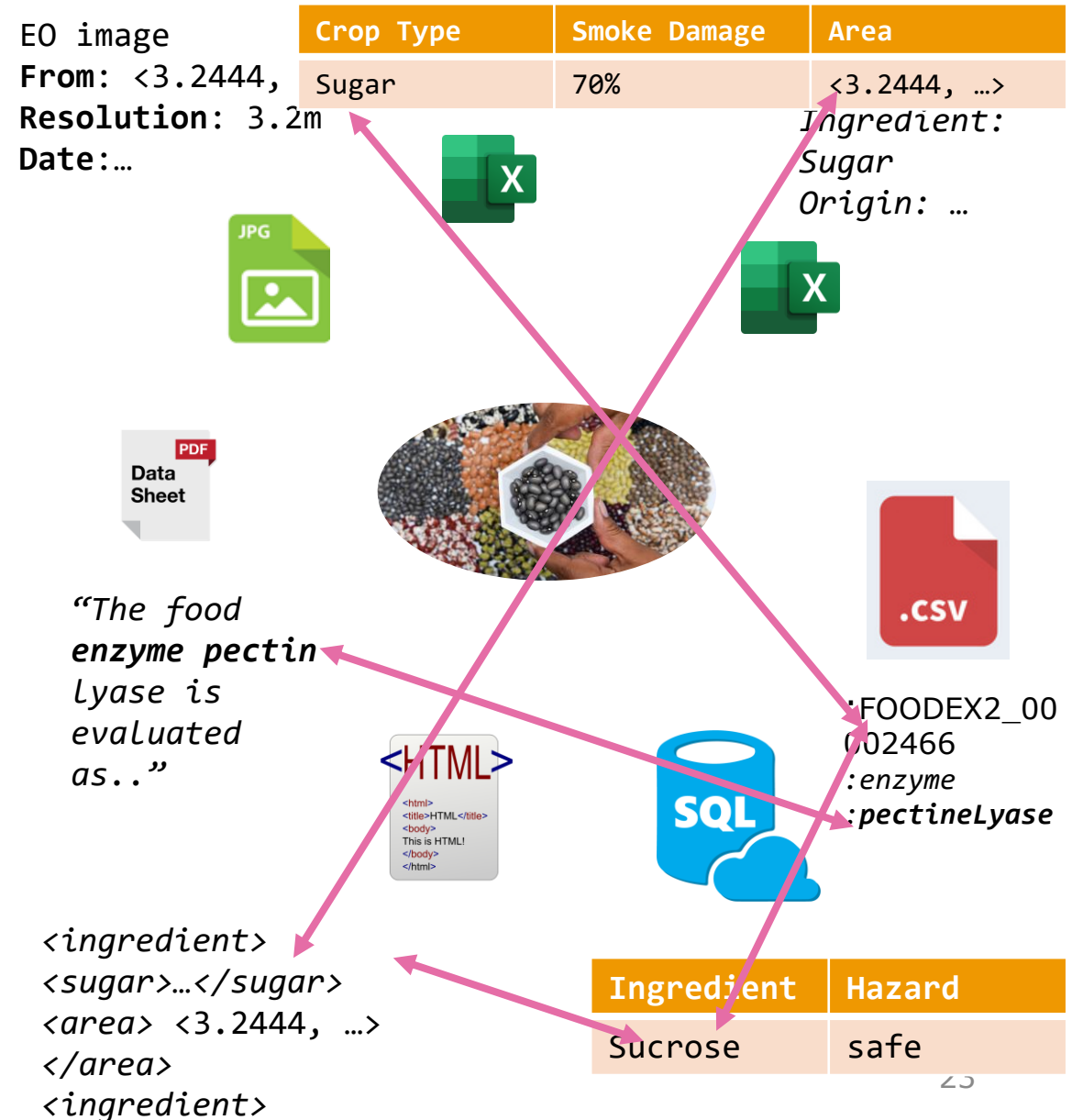
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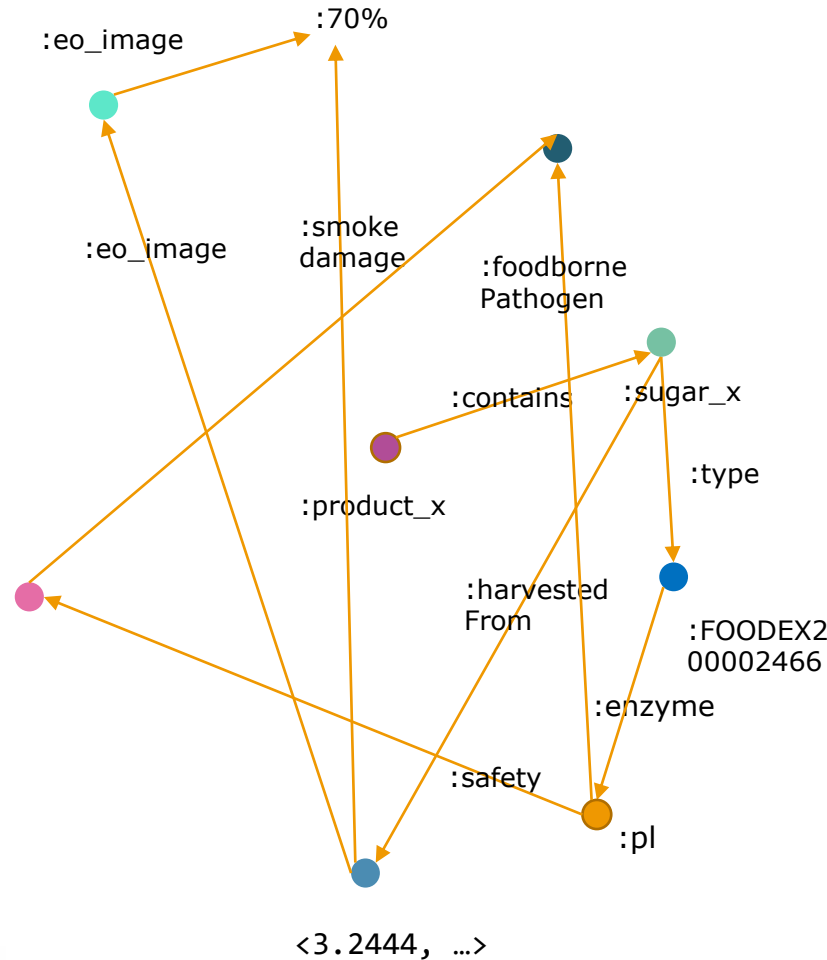


Core Idea

- Information **no longer on sheer sheets of data**

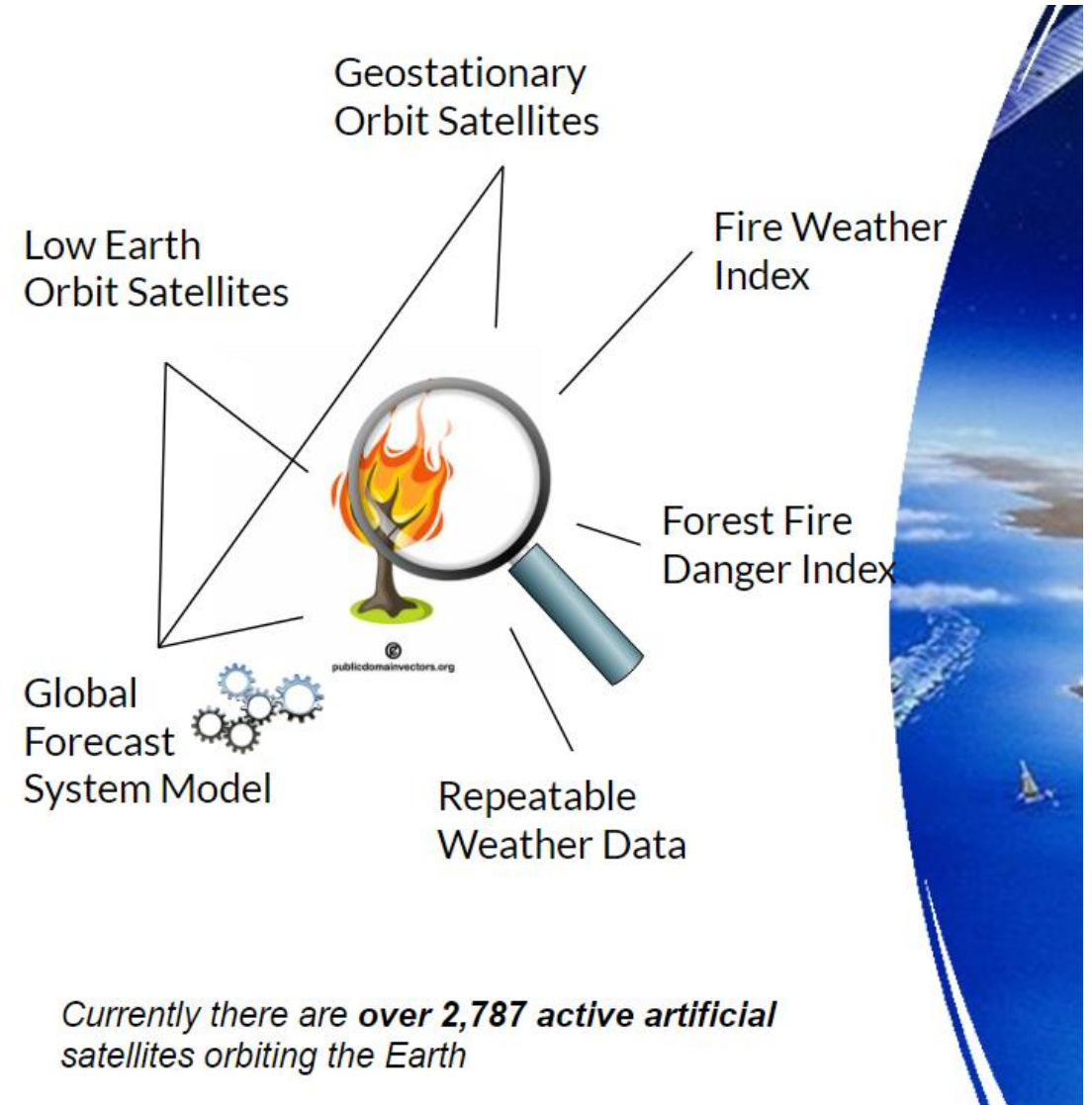
But:

- **Each** piece of information is represented as a **unique node** and the nodes are **interrelated** with **labeled links**
- From human readability to machine **processibility**



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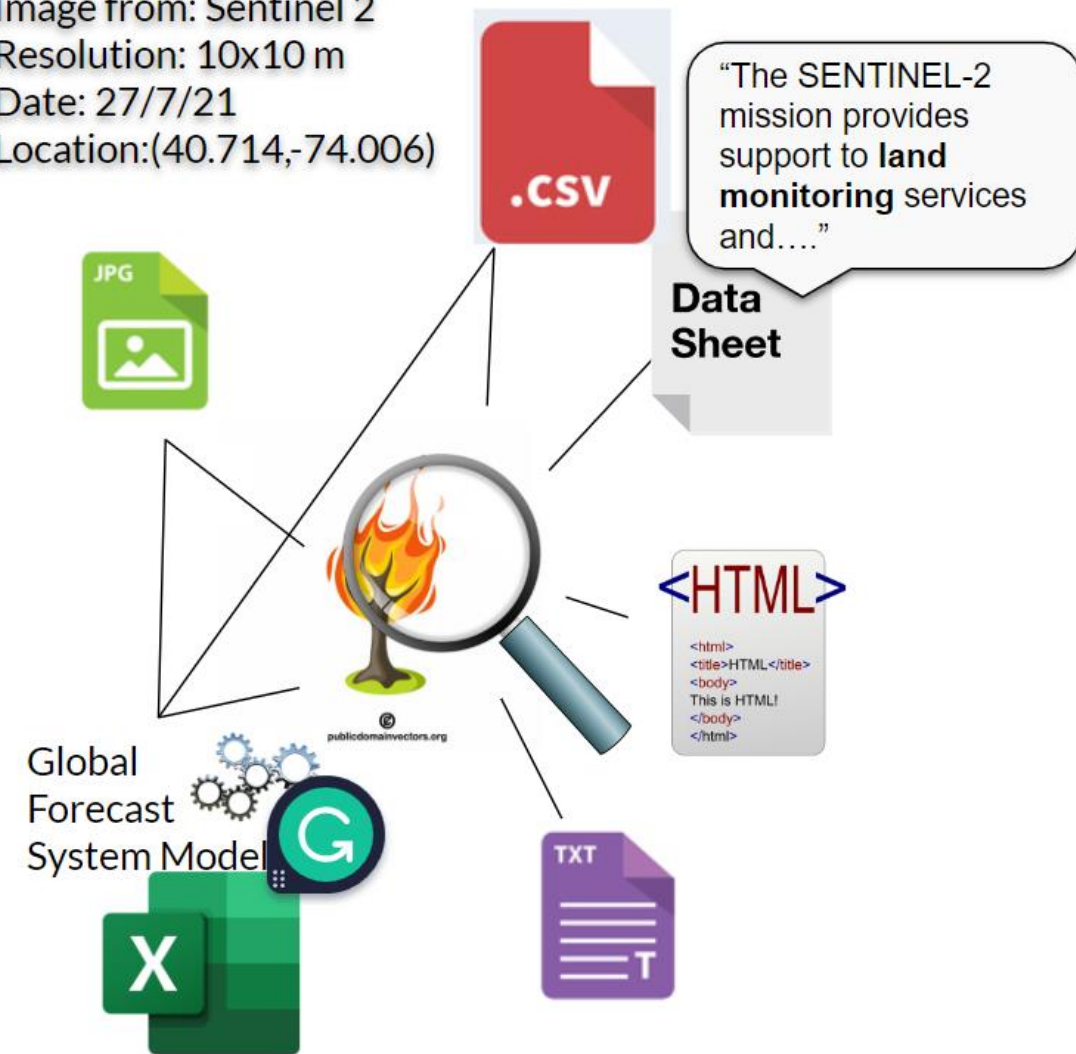
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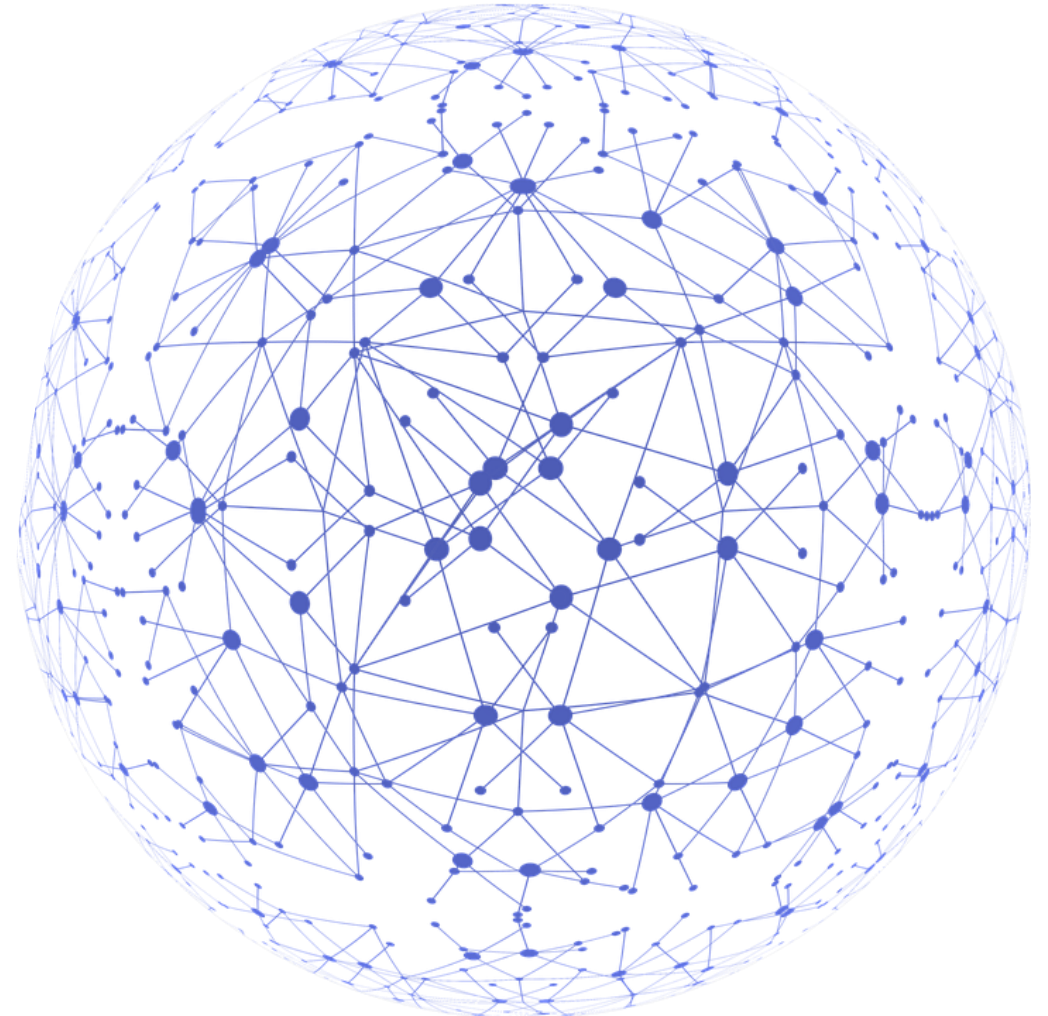
- How can we find the data that we want?
 - Metadata: data about data.
- Is this enough? How Sentinel 2 data relate to fire detection?
 - Data/metadata must be machine & human readable
- Are you sure the two documents talk about the same thing?
 - Data and metadata must be interlinked
- And what do you mean with "Resolution"?
 - We must have a common understanding of the terminology used
- And why is land monitoring is related to fire detection???
 - Machines must be able to make inferences from data

Image from: Sentinel 2
Resolution: 10x10 m
Date: 27/7/21
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The Web Today

- **Universal resource identifiers** (URIs) to identify **documents**.
- The **Hypertext Transfer Protocol** (HTTP) to **exchange documents** between a client and a server.
- **HTML for marking up** information to be presented to human readers through a browser.
- **Search Engines** (Google, duckduckgo, WolframAlpha, Qwant, etc) to discover information.
- Is this information **machine readable?**
- **to some extent..(NLP, KGs)**

Finding satellite data for fire detection

Google search for "sentinel 2 data". The search bar shows "sentinel 2 data" with a search icon and a microphone icon. The search results include a snippet: "and high revisit time (10 days at the equator with one satellite ... Included in event: Copernicus Programme)".

People also ask

- How does Sentinel-2 work?
- Where can I get Sentinel-2 data?
- Is Sentinel-2 SAR data?
- What are Sentinel data?

Feedback

<https://scihub.copernicus.eu>

Open Access Hub

The Copernicus Open Access Hub (previously known as **Sentinels Scientific Data Hub**) provides complete, free and open access to **Sentinel-1**, **Sentinel-2**, ...

[Sentinel Online](#) · [Sentinel-2](#) · [Sentinel-2 MSI - Technical Guide](#) · [Sentinel-1](#)

<https://www.usgs.gov> > centers > eros > science > usgs-e...

USGS EROS Archive - Sentinel-2

Sentinel image **data** are in Geographic Markup Language JPEG2000 (GMLJP2) format. GML provides the encoding necessary for georeferencing the image. **Sentinel-2** ...

<https://en.wikipedia.org> > wiki > Sentinel-2

Sentinel-2 - Wikipedia

Sentinel-2

Space mission

Sentinel-2 is an Earth observation mission from the Copernicus Programme that systematically acquires optical imagery at high spatial resolution over land and coastal waters. [Wikipedia](#)

Start date: 23 June 2015

Built: 3

Applications: Land and sea monitoring, natural disasters mapping, sea ice observations, ships detection

Dimensions: 3.4 × 1.8 × 2.35 m (11.2 × 5.9 × 7.7 ft)

Power: 1,700 W

Bus: AstroBus-L

Operator: European Space Agency

Band

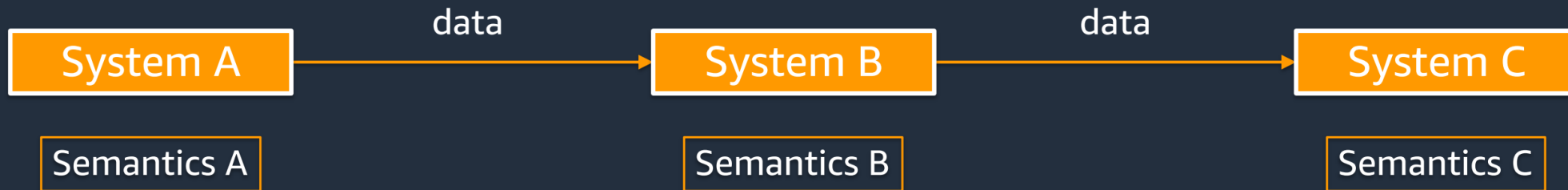
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September 2022, Ora Lassila:

This is what we have

Data moves, but every system has its own idea of semantics



Redefining or “re-articulating” semantics over and over not only is error-prone, it is a lot more work!

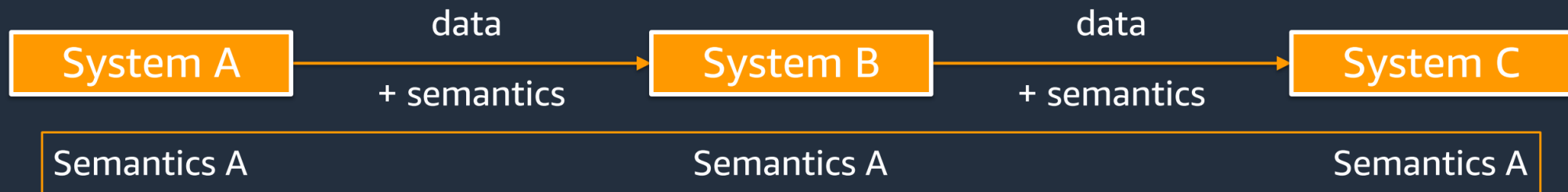
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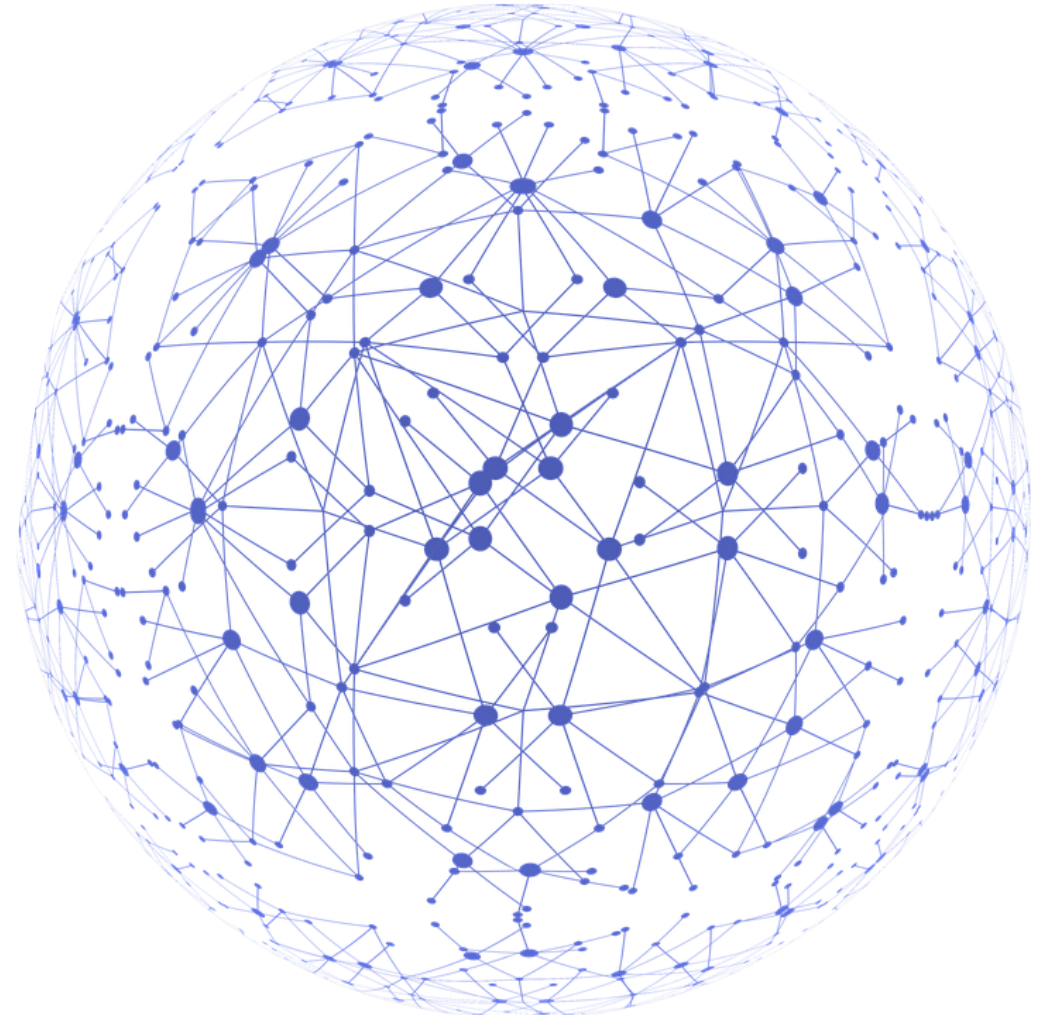
What do we need to get there?

The Semantic Web Vision Today (cont'd)

- Why **linked data and Web data integration**?
- Lots of important **Web applications** demand this e.g., e-science and e-government.
- Why Web standards/languages for expressing shared meaning?
- This is important if we want **agents** that are **not handcrafted** only for **particular** tasks to be developed (“roaming from page to page”)
- See the paper “The Semantic Web Revisited” by Nigel Shadbolt, Wendy Hall and Tim Berners-Lee at http://eprints.ecs.soton.ac.uk/12614/1/Semantic_Web_Revisted.pdf .

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Basic Concepts: Ontology

- Philosophy: systematic account of existence
 - what things exist, how they can be differentiated from each other, etc
- An **ontology** is a **formal**, **explicit**, **shared** specification of a **conceptualization** of a domain (Gruber, 1993).
- Intentional (schema-level) knowledge.

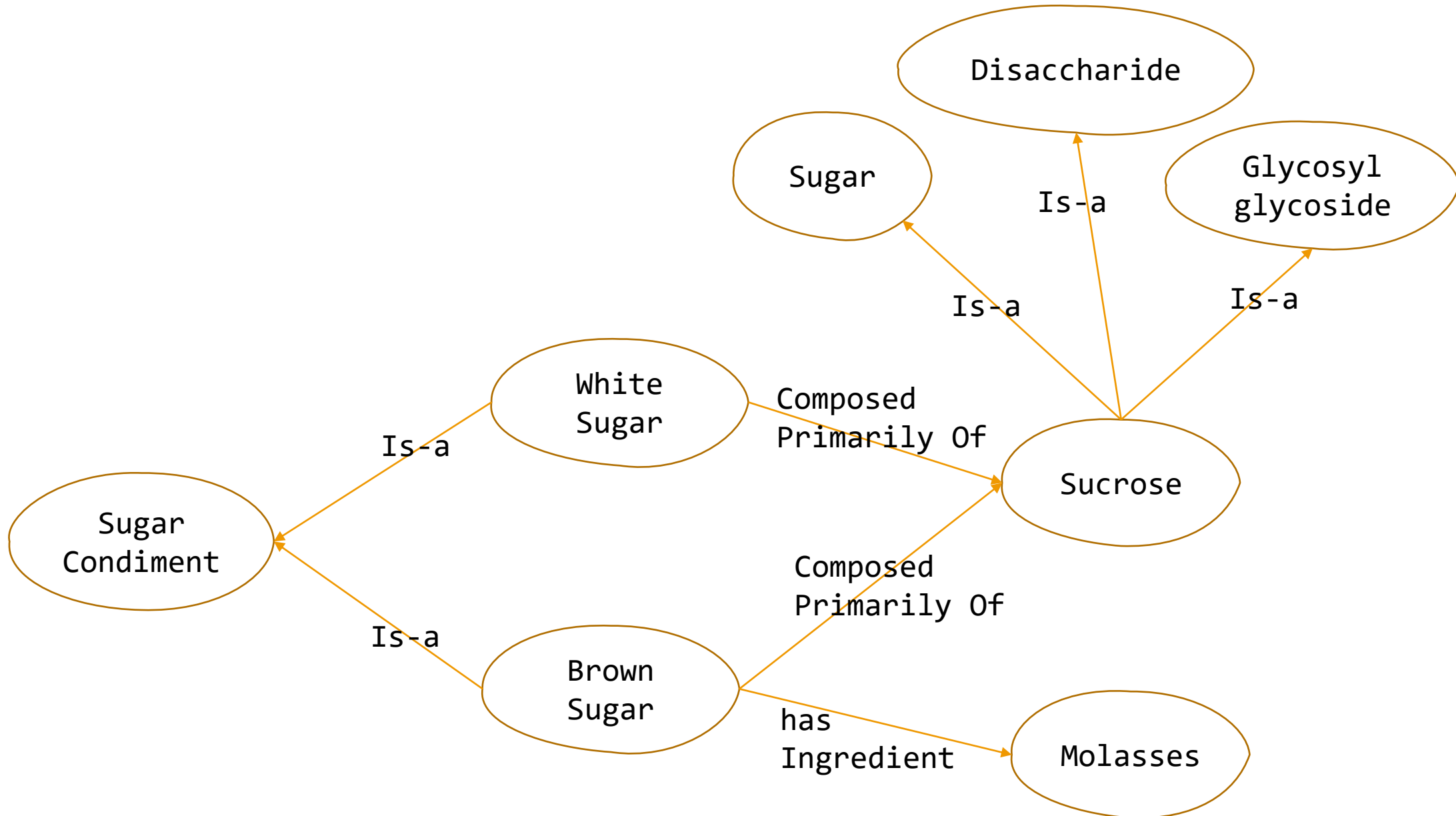
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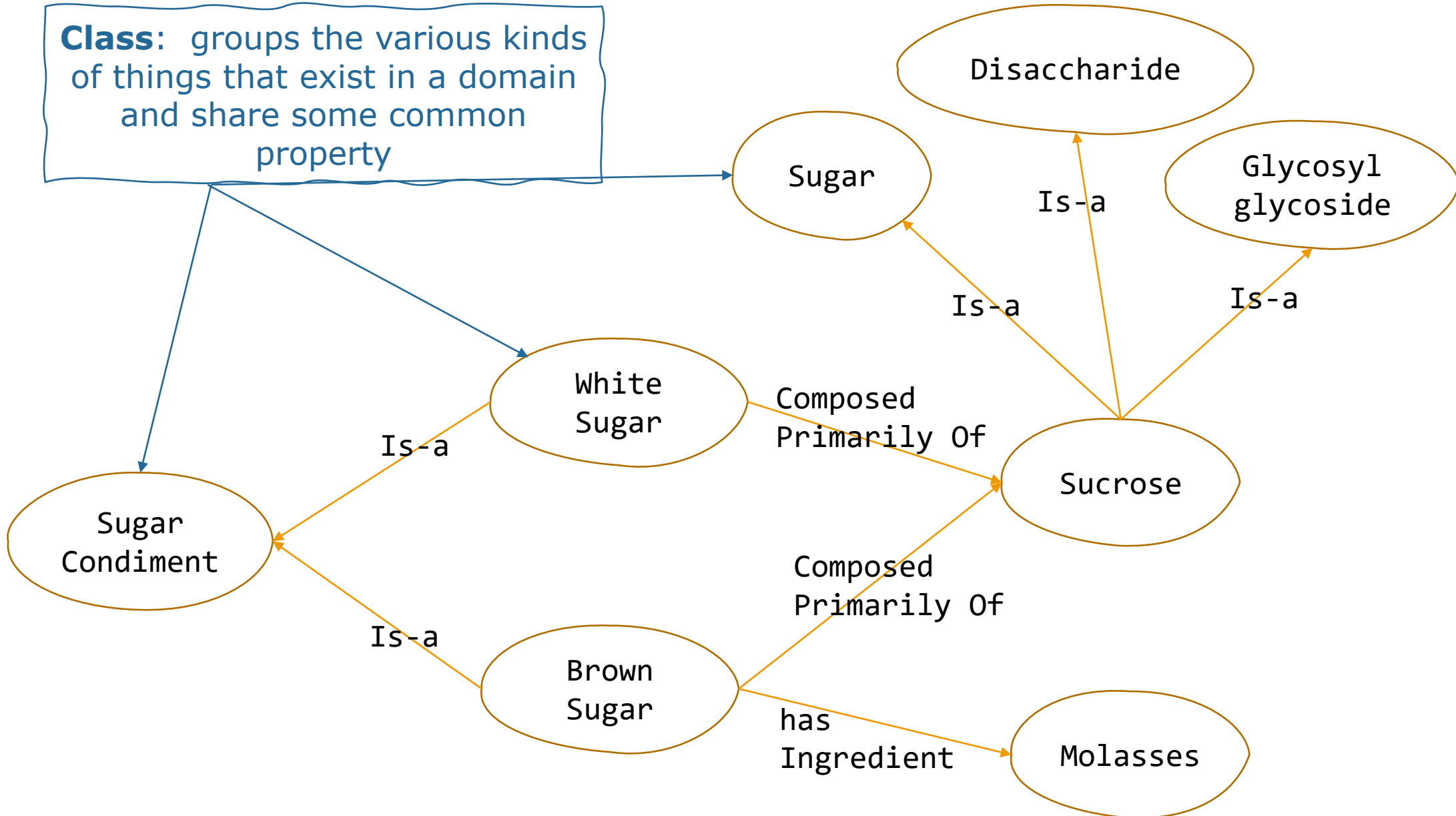
- the **objects, concepts,** and other **entities** that are assumed to exist in **some area of interest** and the **relationships** that hold among them.
- An **abstract, simplified view of the world that we wish to represent for some purpose.**

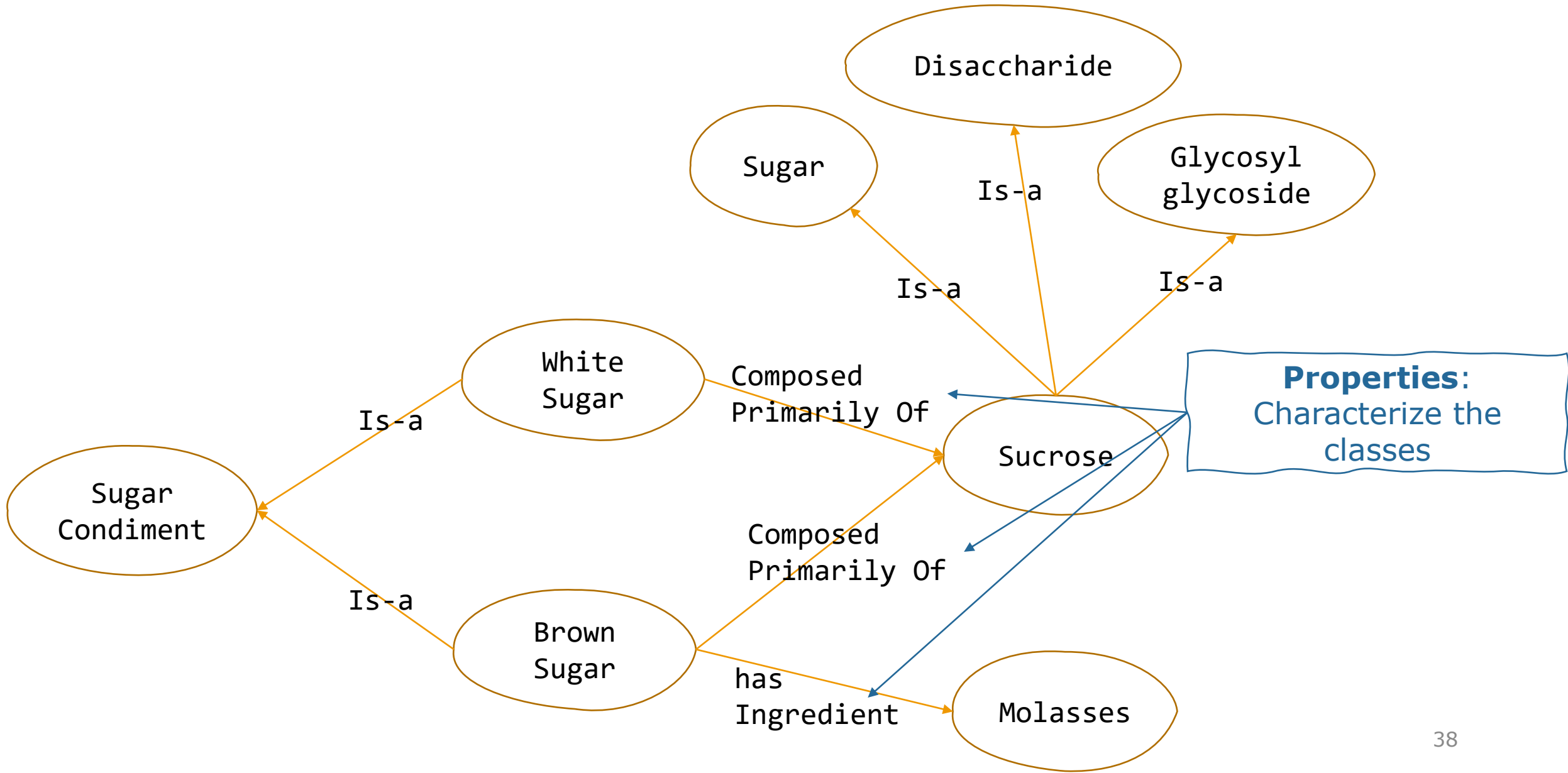
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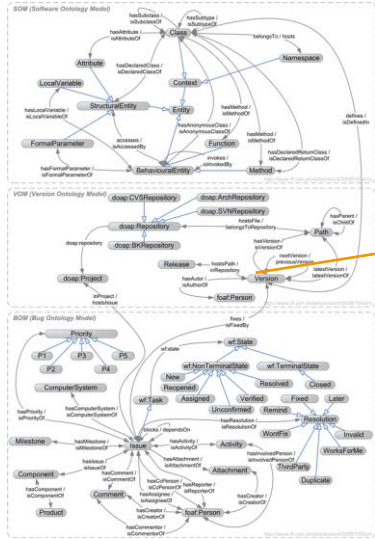
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Class: groups the various kinds of things that exist in a domain and share some common property

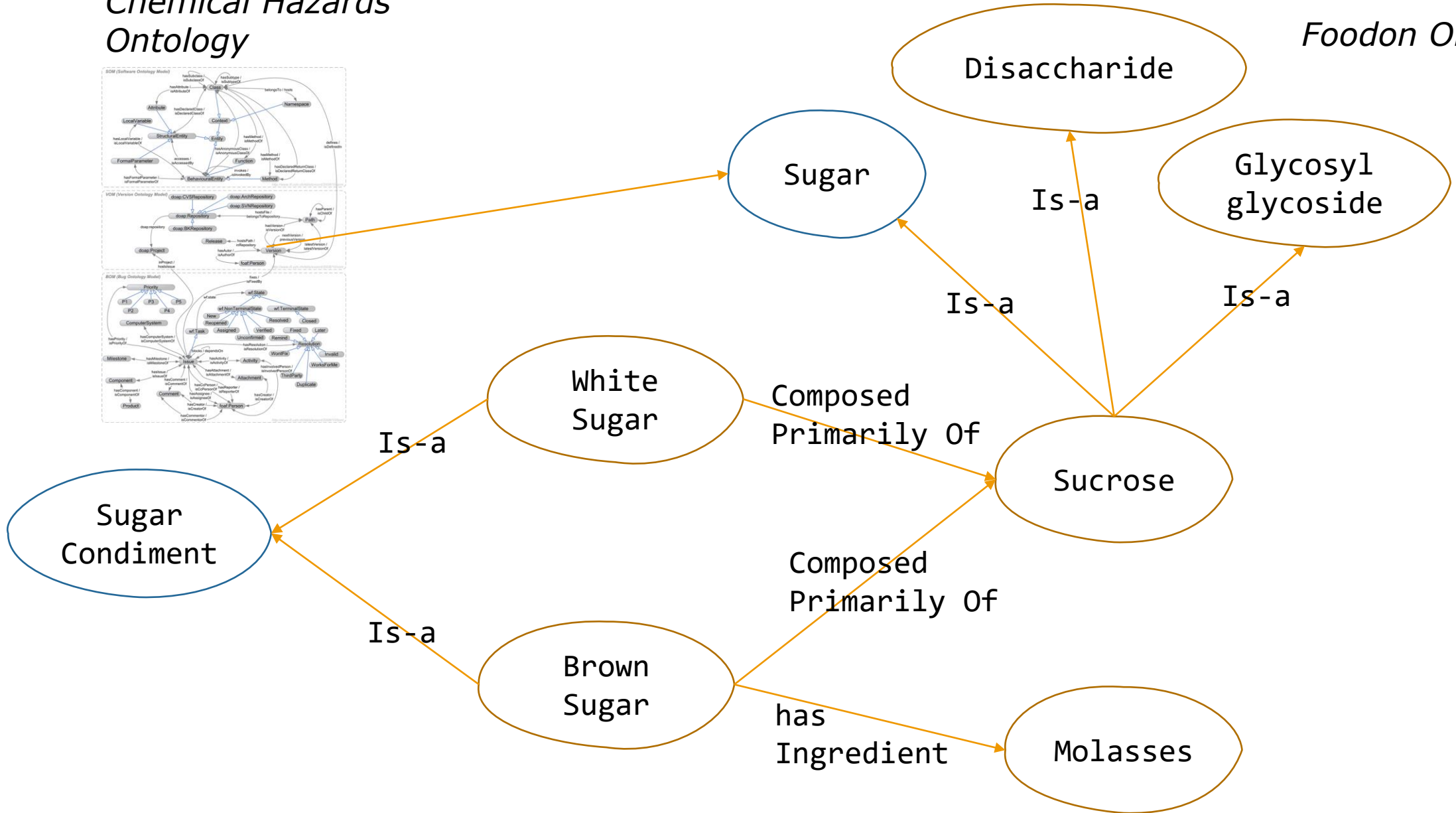




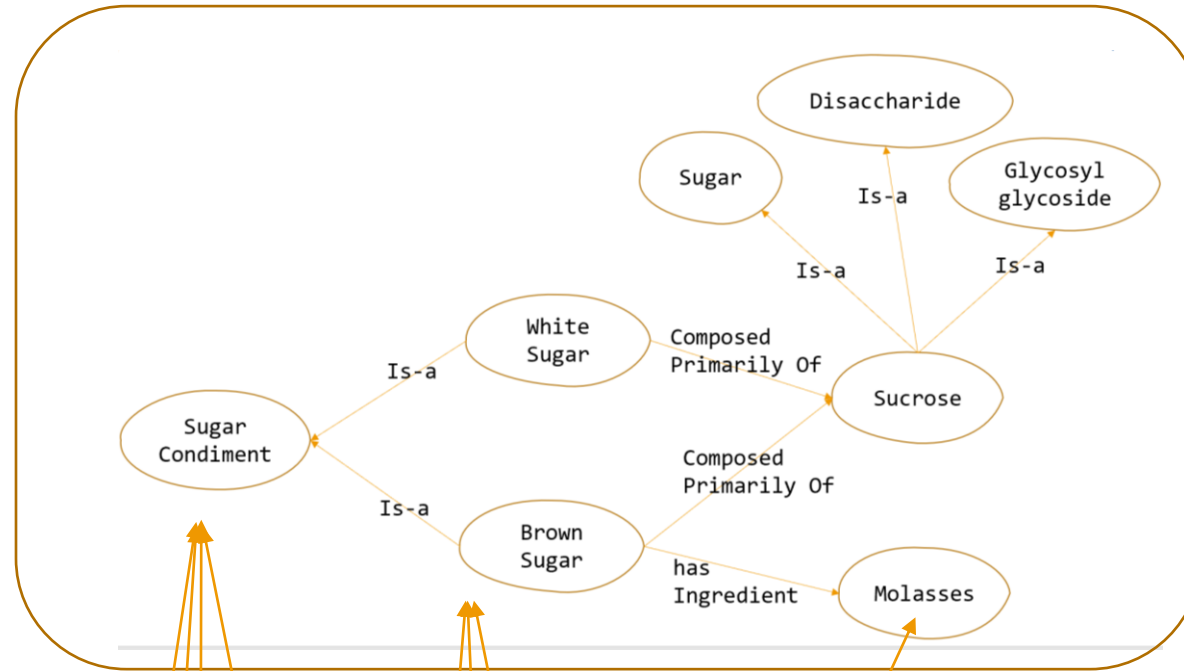
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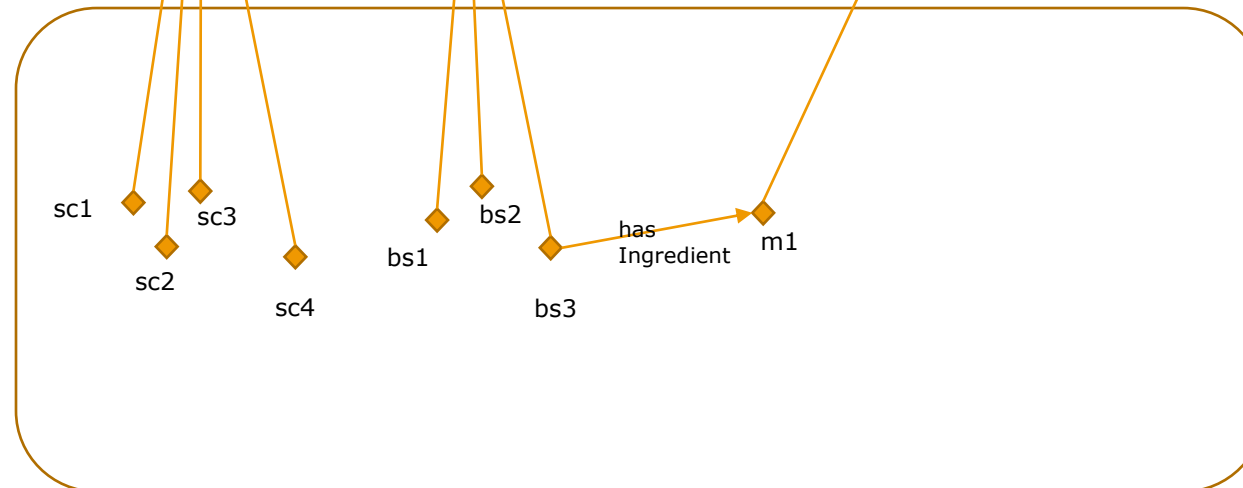
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Ontology



Data



Formal

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

- **Eliminates ambiguity**, natural language is slippery!
- Enables **reasoning**
- The literature also offers **special formalisms** for defining ontologies that contain mainly taxonomic knowledge:
 - Semantic networks
 - Frames
 - Description logics
 - **RDF, RDFS** and **OWL** (expressive DLs with RDF syntax)

Explicit

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- Why do you develop your ontology?
- **What questions** do you want your ontology to **answer**?

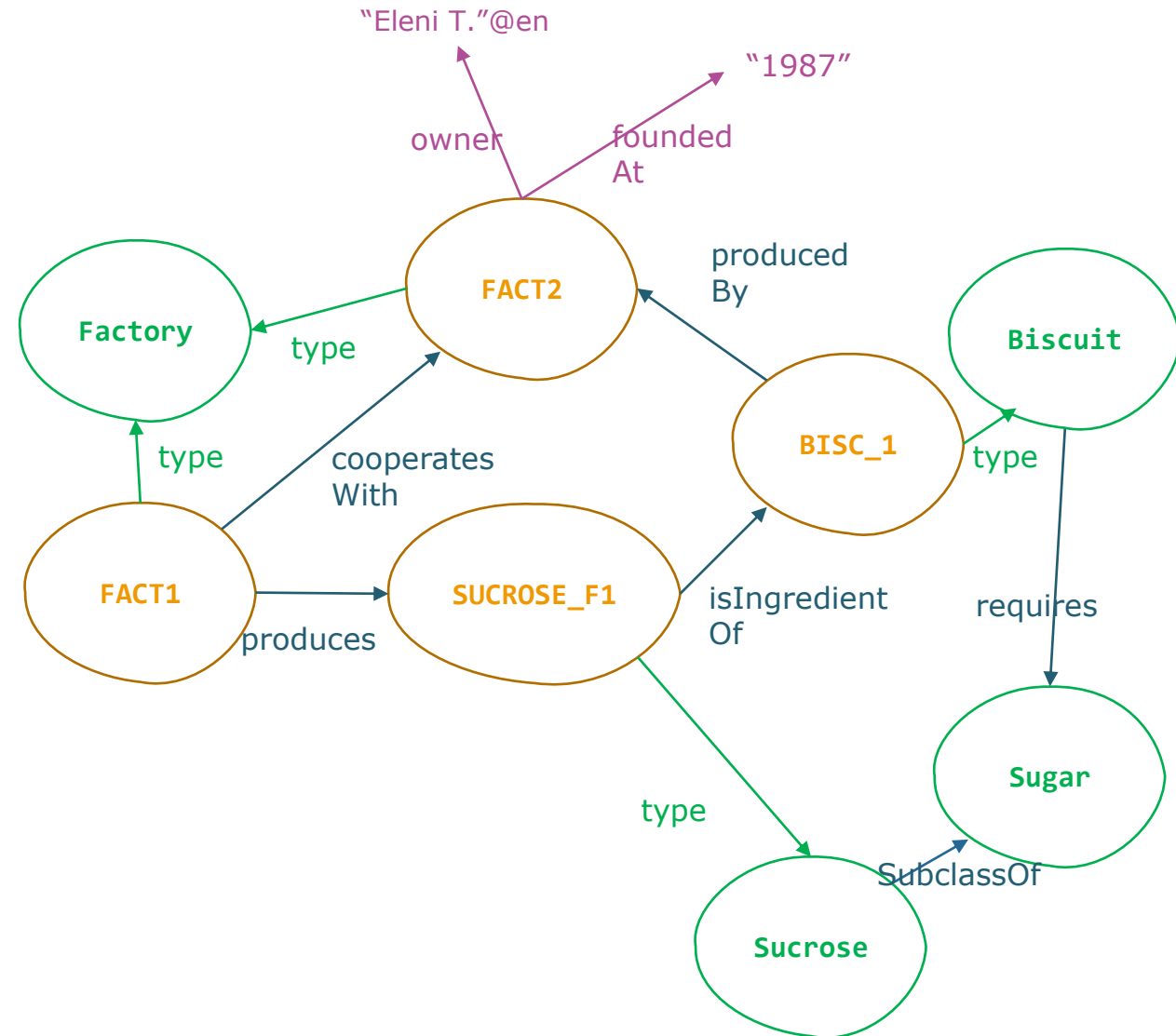
Shared

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- Research, Industry, Consumer Industrial applications have a **common understanding** of the used terms
 - (e.g., starter, apperizer)
- Domain experts **agree** on the terminology
- Defined in **unambiguous** way (formalism)
- Information **reuse**

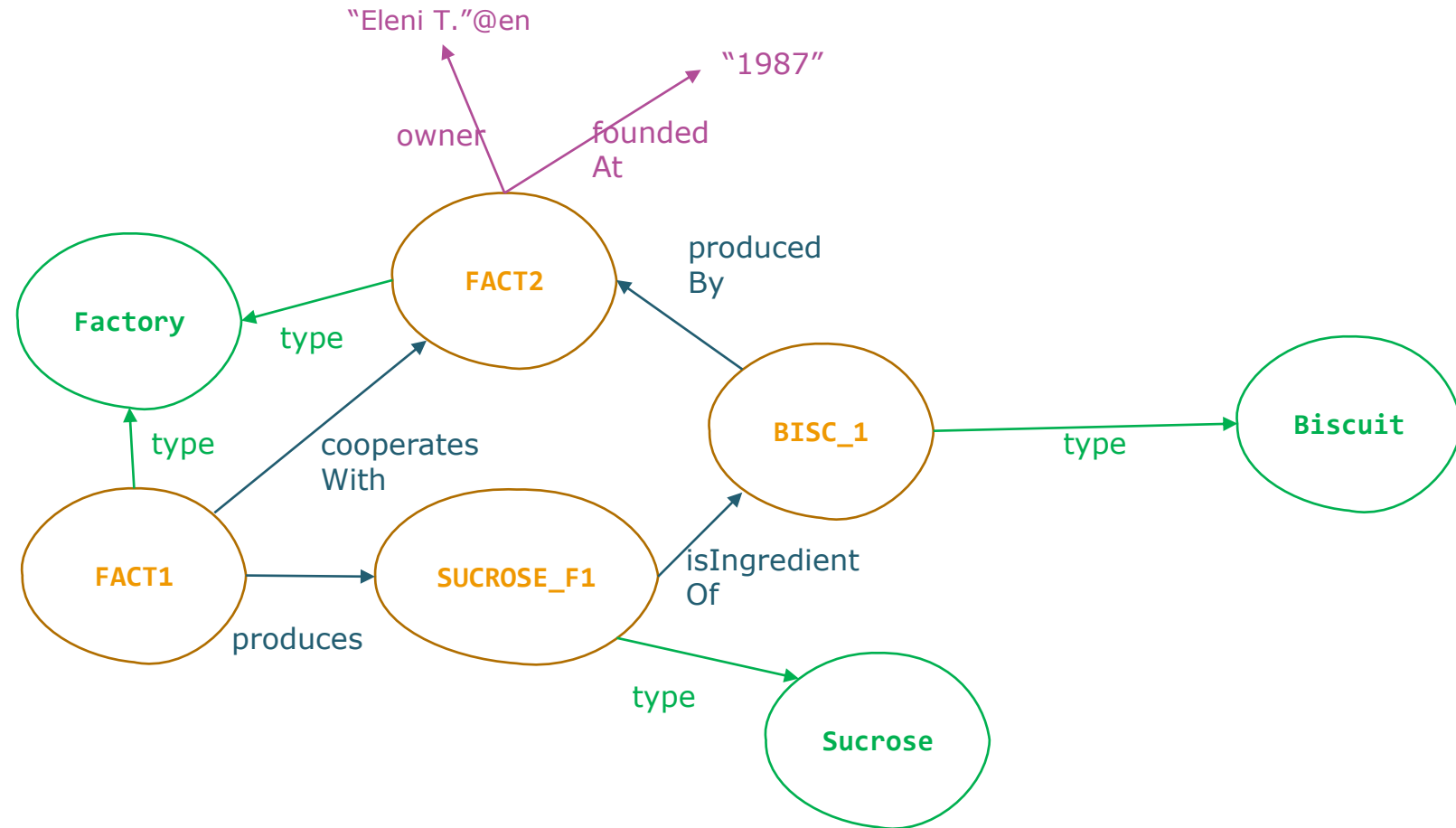
Basic Concepts: Knowledge Graph

- A **knowledge graph** consists of a set of **interconnected typed entities** and their **attributes**
- The term “Knowledge Graph” was introduced by Google in 2012
- Blog post titled: ‘*Introducing the Knowledge Graph: things, not strings*’
- **but...**



Knowledge Graph vs Graph Databases

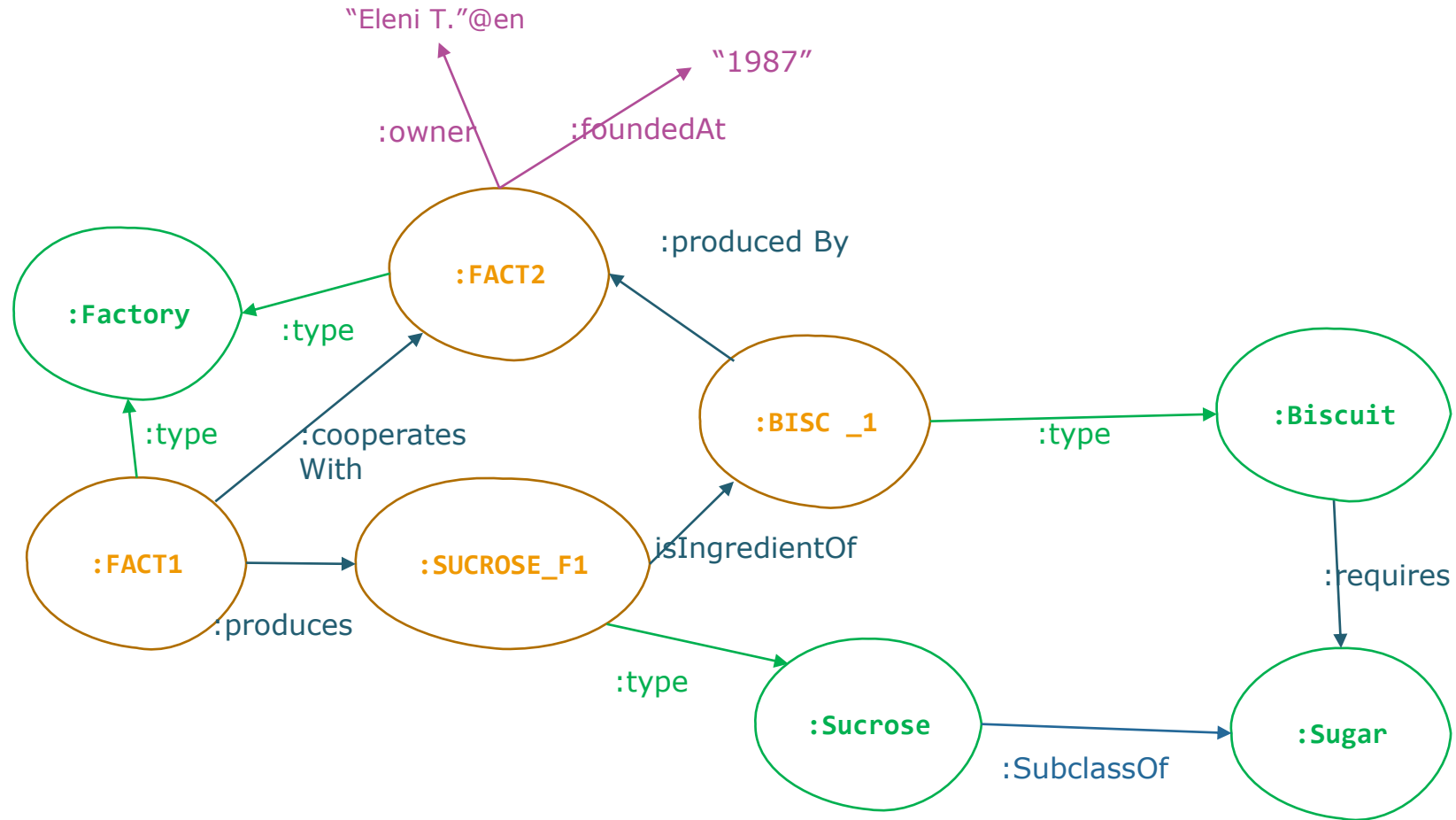
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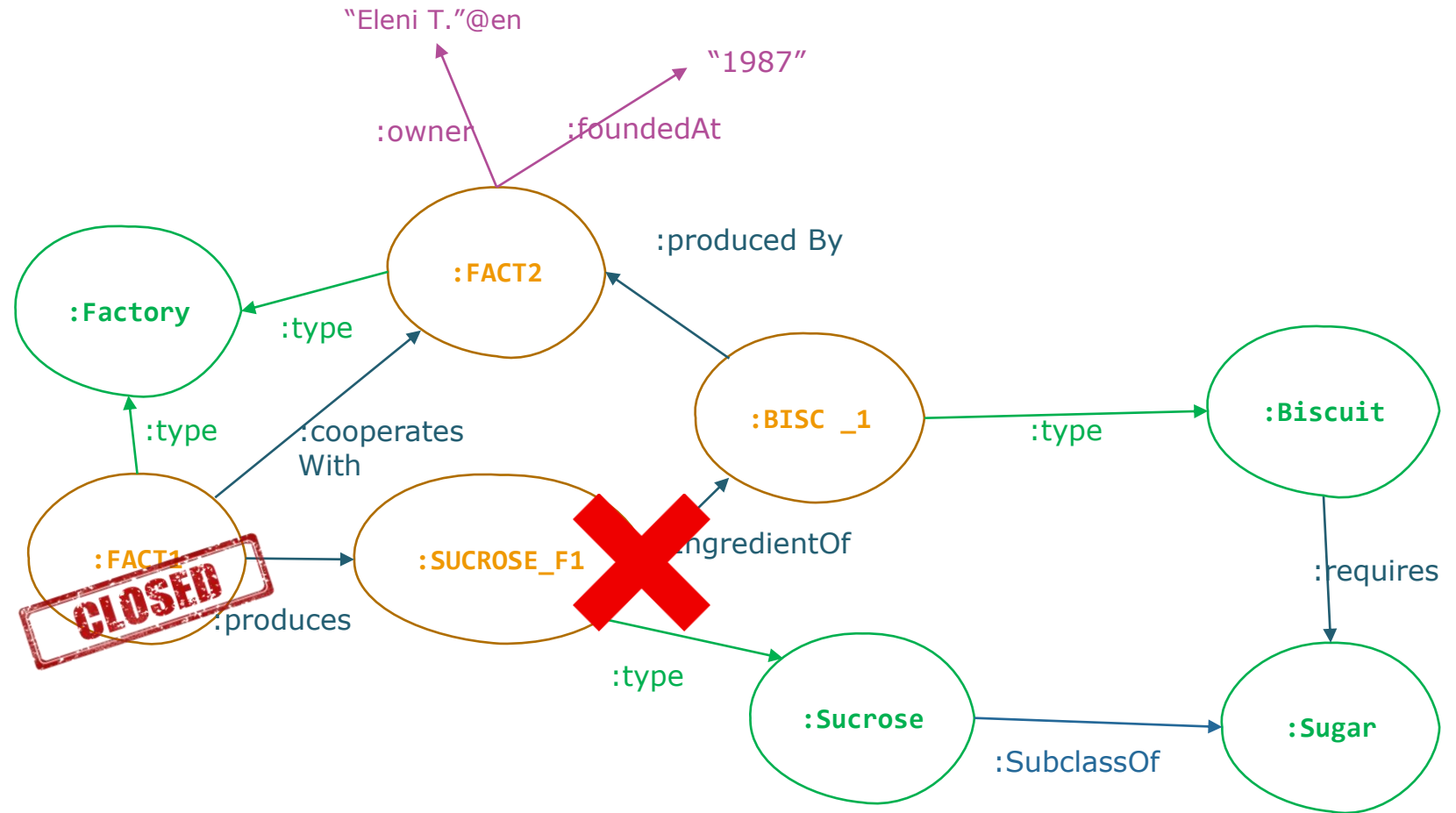
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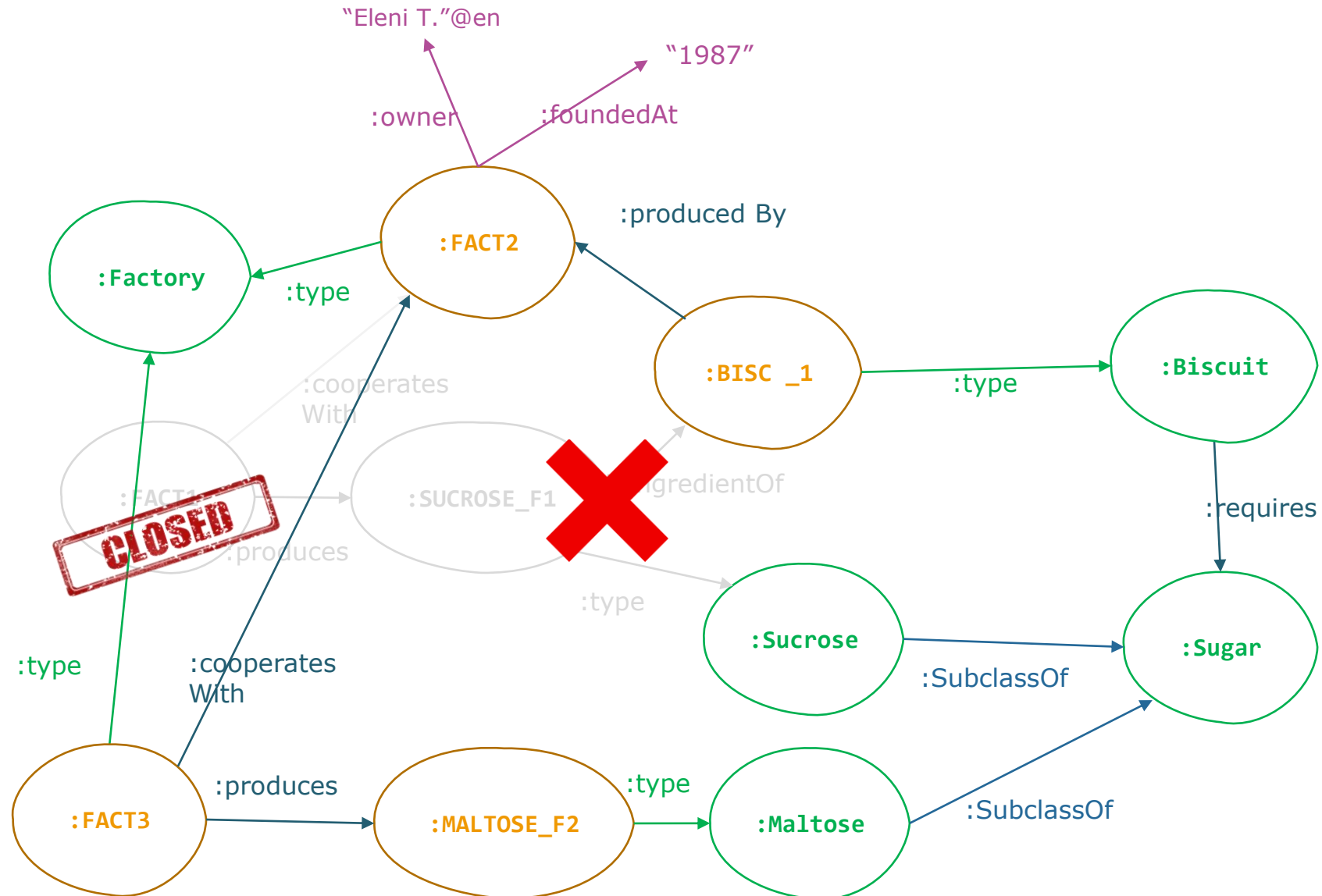
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- **Standardized** data model (W3C)
- Ontologies freely available for **reuse**



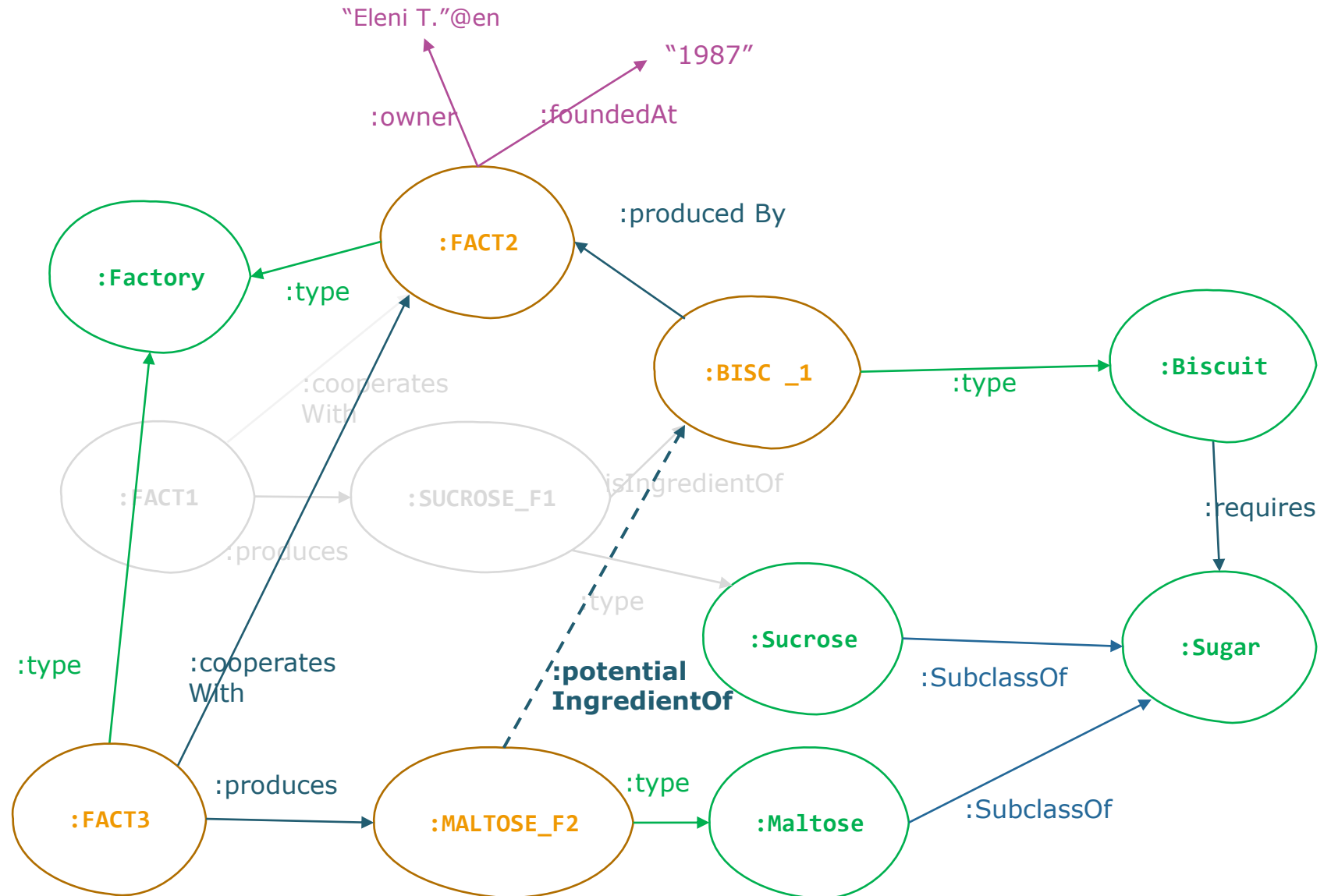
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Knowledge Graphs vs Graph Databases

- KGs contain also **higher-order** organizing principles (e.g., taxonomy), in a **standardized** way (W3C)
 - **Inferencing**
 - **Knowledge toolkits**
- Nodes: **URIs**/literals
 - **Unified** data
 - Answering queries **across** data silos
- Knowledge models (ontologies) freely available for **reuse**
 - **Shareability**
 - **Interoperability**
 - **Modelling problems are already solved**
- More **flexible**: just adding new nodes, change the ontology

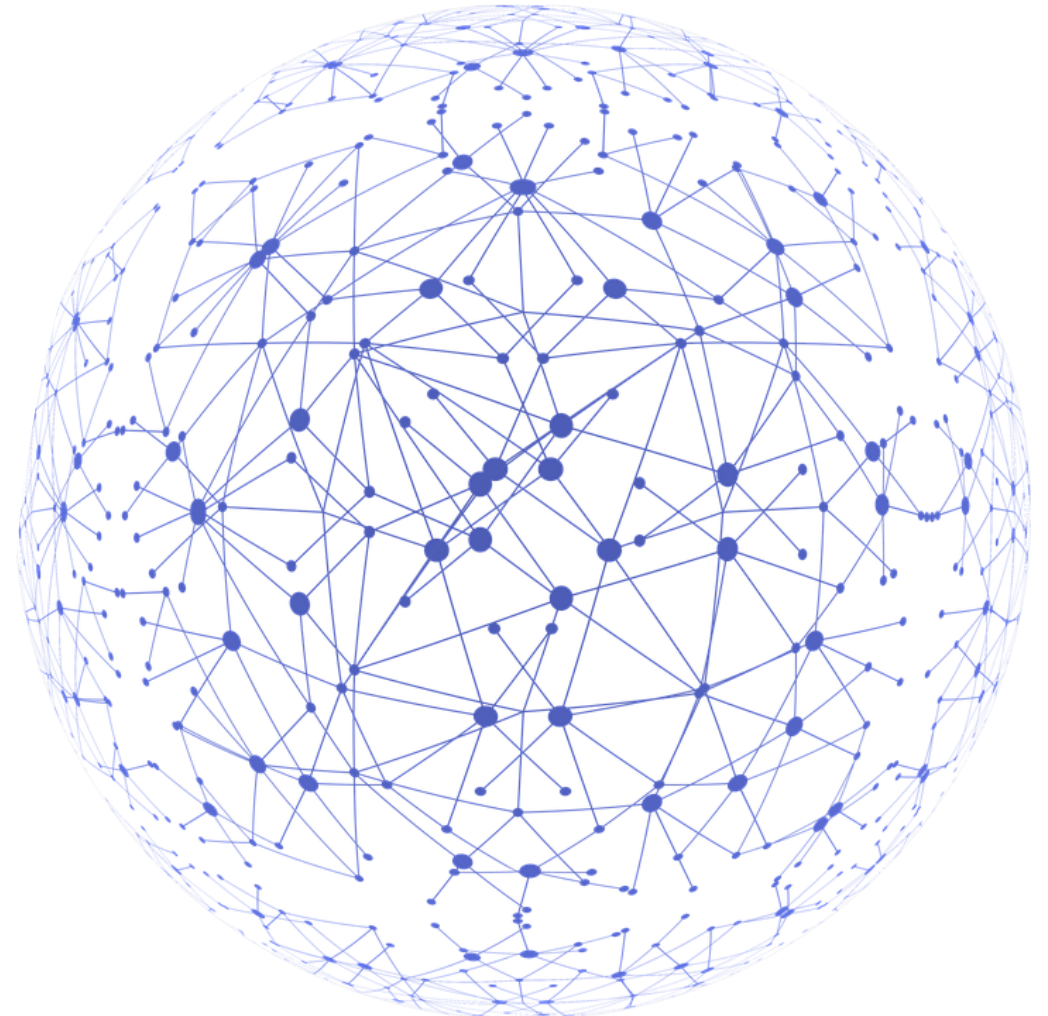


Knowledge Graph vs Ontology

- **Knowledge Graphs** represent formally **interconnected entities** (abstract or not)
- **Ontologies** represent formally the **knowledge** about a domain.
- Ontologies may also include ***complex rules or axioms*** e.g.,
“A diet soft drink has always as ingredient something that is of caffeine type”
 - These rules are used for ***inferencing***
 - **Limitation**: the more complex the ontology is, the harder to get the answers in reasonable time

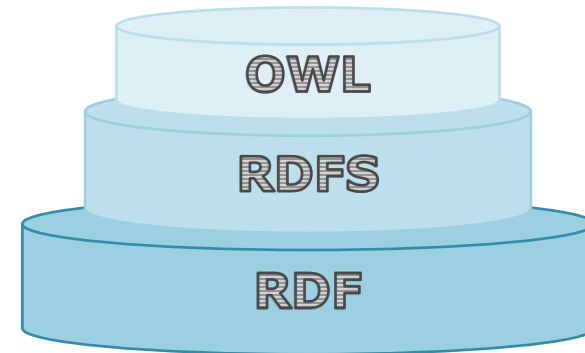
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- RDF
- RDFS
- OWL 2.0
- SWRL



Ontology Languages



RDF: represent data as URIs and in graphical form

For describing facts
Data integration from multiple resources
Detachment of data from their schema



RDFS: adds schema to the RDF

Adds constraints on the facts
Hierarchies, domains & ranges of properties
Enables basic inferencing – infer new triples



OWL 2.0: higher expressivity – adds more constraints

Enables more complex inferencing



SWRL: rule language, intuitive, adds expressivity

Resource Description Framework

- The Resource Description Framework (RDF):
 - Data model originally for representing information (especially metadata) about web resources
- Now is used to describe **any data** and not only metadata
- Easy, powerful, expressive W3C **standard**
- For data to be **processed by applications**, rather than being only displayed to people.

Resource Description Framework

- **Basic idea:**

- Data objects are identified as web identifiers (**URIs**)
- Definition of **relationships** between **data objects**

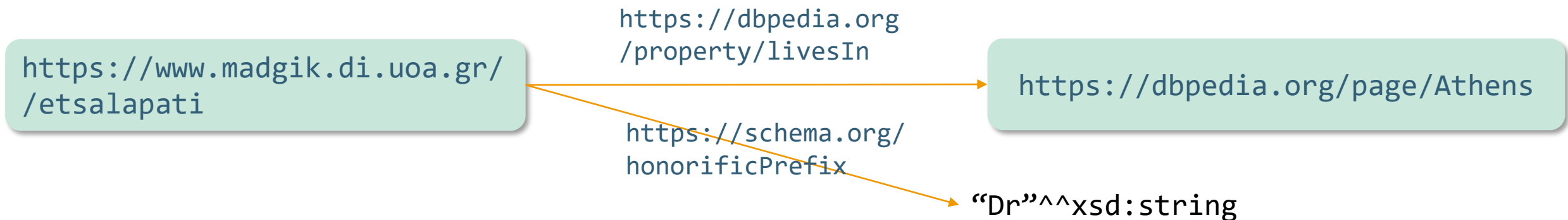


- Unlike URLs, URIs are not limited to identifying things that have network locations, or use other computer access mechanisms.

Resource Description Framework

- **Basic idea:**

- Data objects are identified as unique resource identifiers (URIs/IRIs)
- Definition of relationships between data objects



Resource Description Framework

- RDF statements can be written in triple notation:
subject predicate object .

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        <https://dbpedia.org/page/Athens> .
```

```
<https://www.madgik.di.uoa.gr/etsalapati>  
    <https://schema.org/honorificPrefix> "Dr".
```

URI reuse

- Reuse existing URIs from well-known vocabularies/ontologies (e.g., DBPedia, Dublin Core)
 - Less effort
 - Shared understanding of the resulted ontology
 - Ambiguity is eliminated
 - Can be looked-up

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NY or GR?

What can we do with RDF

- Add machine-readable information using **well-known vocabularies**, e.g. schema.org:
 - Ambiguity is eliminated
 - Shareability is established
- **Enrich** dataset by linking to external datasets.
 - e.g. linking paintings dataset to artists dataset
- Build **aggregations** of data about specific topics
 - e.g., distributed social networks by linking RDF descriptions of people across multiple Web sites
 - e.g., Interlinking various datasets within an organization: cross-dataset QA
- Provide **standard-compliant** way for exchanging data between DBs

Microdata

- Microdata provide a simple way to **annotate HTML elements** with **machine readable tags**.
- Microdata can use **standardized vocabularies** to capture the semantics of HTML items.
- See <http://www.w3.org/TR/microdata/> for more details.
- Similar (earlier) approaches are RDFa (RDF in attributes-W3C Recommendation that adds a set of attribute-level extensions to HTML), microformats and JSON-LD.

Example: Microdata – Original HTML

- The following is some HTML code for describing a local business called “Beachwalk Beachwear and Giftware”.

```
<h1>Beachwalk Beachwear & Giftware</h1>
```

```
A superb collection of fine gifts and clothing to  
accent your stay in Mexico Beach.
```

```
3102 Highway 98
```

```
Mexico Beach, FL
```

```
Phone: 850-648-4200
```

Example: Microdata – Original HTML

```
<div itemscope itemtype="http://schema.org/LocalBusiness">
  <h1><span itemprop="name">Beachwalk Beachwear &
                                Giftware</span></h1>
  <span itemprop="description"> A superb collection of fine gifts
    and clothing to accent your stay in Mexico Beach.</span>

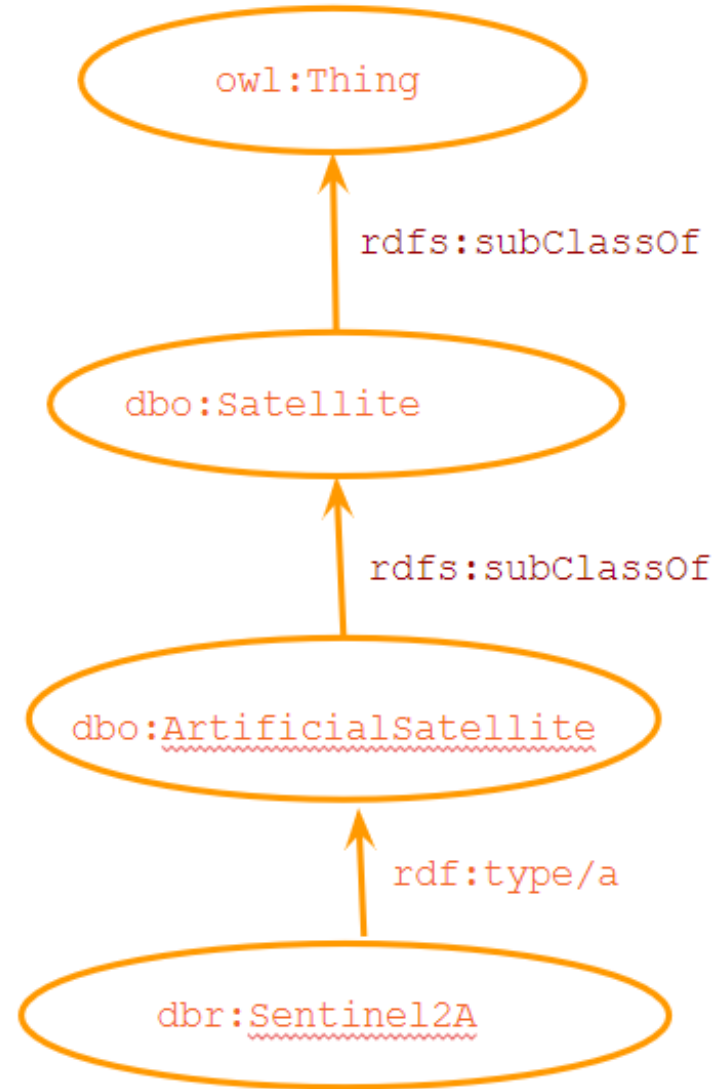
  <div itemprop="address" itemscope
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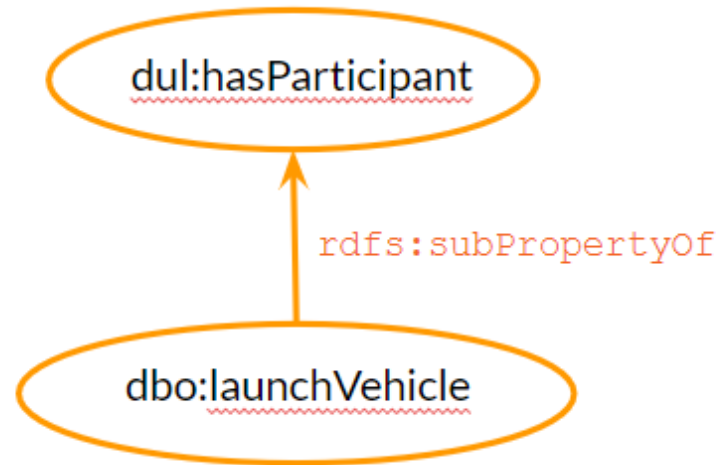
Resource Description Framework Schema (RDFS)

- **RDFS**: a **language** for the definition of the **vocabulary** (i.e., the terms) to be used in an RDF graph.
- RDFS is an **ontology definition language**
- RDFS is used to describe:
 - Specific kinds or **classes** of resources
 - The properties of the resources
 - i.e., to create an **ontology**

Example – Class Hierarchy



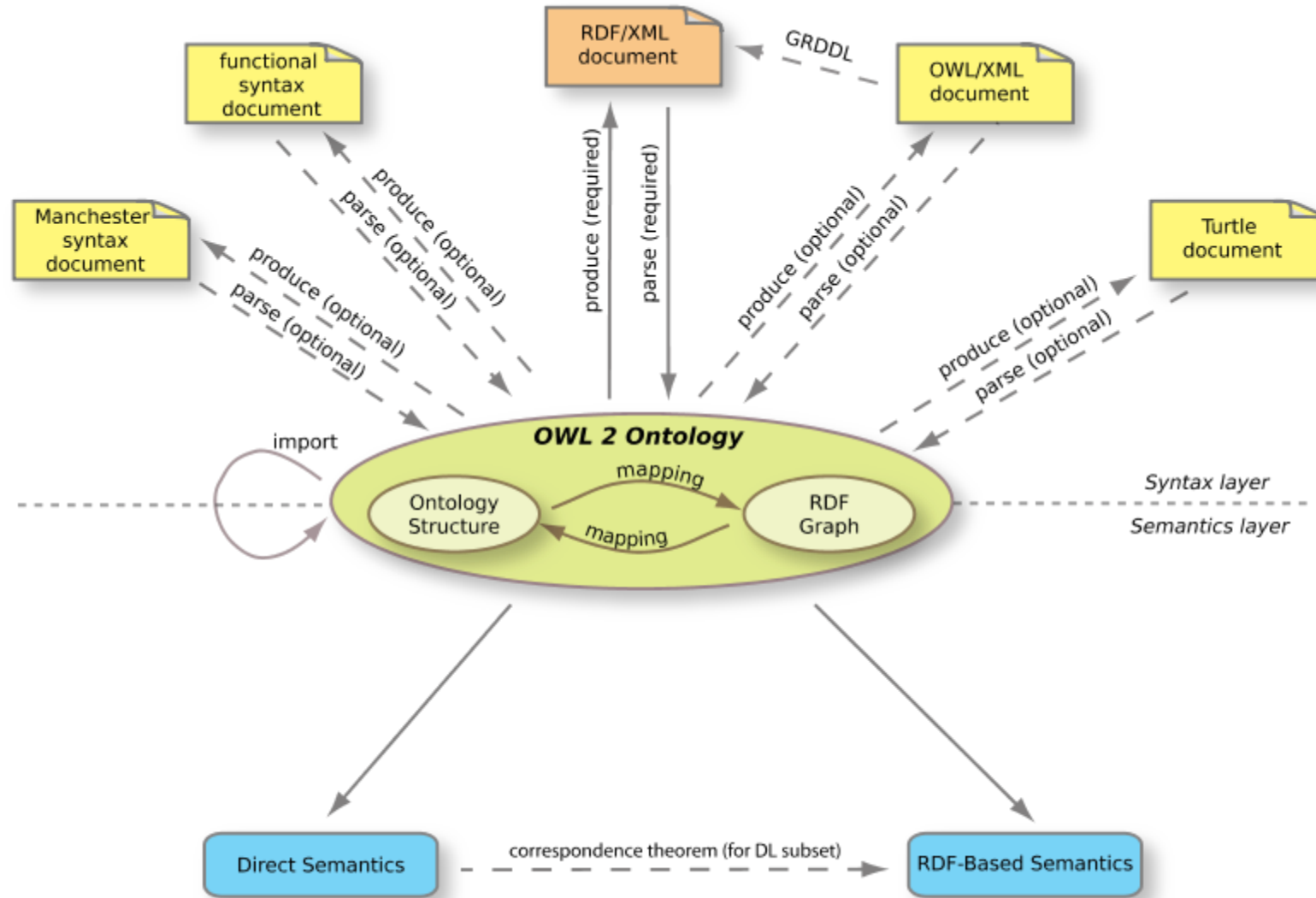
Example – Property Hierarchy



Web Ontology Language (OWL)

- Results from Description Logics
- More expressive than RDFS –allows more powerful ontology modelling
- OWL 2 ontologies consist of the following three different syntactic categories:
 - **Entities: classes, properties, and individuals**
 - **Expressions:** represent complex notions in the domain being described.
 - **Axioms** are statements that are asserted to be true in the domain being described (e.g., a subclass axiom)

OWL



OWL - Example

```
SubClassOf (:Student :Person)
```

```
EquivalentClasses (:Man  
    ObjectIntersectionOf (:Person :Male))
```

```
EquivalentClasses (:Woman  
    ObjectIntersectionOf (:Person :Female))
```

```
EquivalentClasses (:Parent  
    ObjectSomeValuesFrom (:hasChild :Person))
```

OWL - Example

```
EquivalentClasses (:Teenager
  ObjectIntersectionOf (Person
    DataSomeValuesFrom (:hasAge
      DatatypeRestriction (xsd:integer
        xsd:minExclusive "12"^^xsd:integer
        xsd:maxInclusive "19"^^xsd:integer
      )
    )
  )
)
```

OWL - Example

```
EquivalentClasses (:ChildlessPerson
    ObjectIntersectionOf (:Person
        ObjectComplementOf (ObjectSomeValuesFrom (
            ObjectInverseOf (:hasParent) owl:Thing)))
```

```
SameIndividual (:John :Jack)
```

```
SameIndividual (:John otherOnt:JohnBrown)
```

```
SameIndividual (:Mary otherOnt:MaryBrown)
```

```
DifferentIndividuals (:John :Bill)
```

Description Logics

- DLs are languages for describing the nature and structure of objects.
- Origins: semantic networks and frames.
- Developed in the 80's and 90's in parallel with:
 - pure FOL approaches
 - other languages for structured objects, e.g., Telos and F-logic.
- DLs have been used to provide the foundations for ontology languages for the Web e.g., OWL.
- Many DLs are decidable fragments of first-order logic (FOL)
- Some DLs have features that are not covered in FOL

Description Logics –Complex Class Expressions

- The set of female doctors.

$\text{Female} \sqcap \text{Doctor}$

- The set of individuals that have at least 3 children that are male.

$(\geq 3 \text{ hasChild } . \text{Male})$

- The set of individuals such that all their children have graduated from at least one Greek University.

$(\geq 3 \text{ hasChild } . (\forall \text{isAlumniOf } . \text{GreekUniversity}))$

- The set of individuals that have at least three children such that all their degrees are from Greek Universities.

$(\forall \text{hasChild } . (\exists \text{isAlumniOf } . \text{GreekUniversity}))$

Description Logics - Assertions

Ann is a female doctor.

$(Female \sqcap Doctor)(ANN)$

John is a child of Ann.

$hasChild(ANN,JOHN)$

Ann has at least 3 children that are male.

$(\geq 3 \text{ hasChild } . Male)(ANN)$

Description Logics - Axioms

A woman is a female person.

$$Woman \equiv Person \sqcap Female$$

A parent is a person who has at least one child.

$$Parent \equiv Person \sqcap (\exists hasChild . Person)$$

SPARQL

- SPARQL stands for “SPARQL Protocol and RDF Query Language”.
- SPARQL is based on **matching graph patterns against RDF graphs.**

Matching Graph Patterns

“What is the title of ex:book1?”

KG

`<http://example.org/book/book1>`

`<http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/title>`

`"SPARQL Tutorial"`

“Query”

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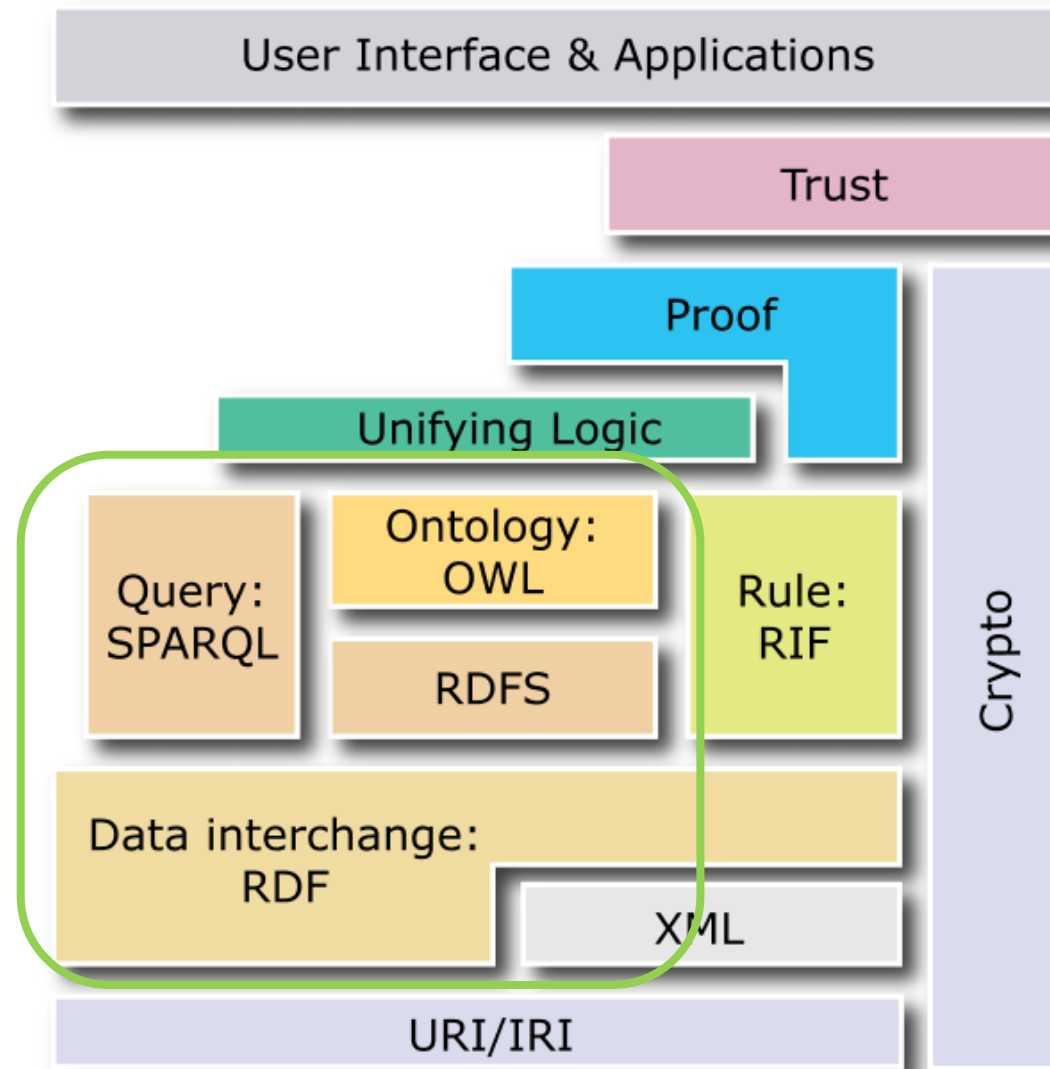
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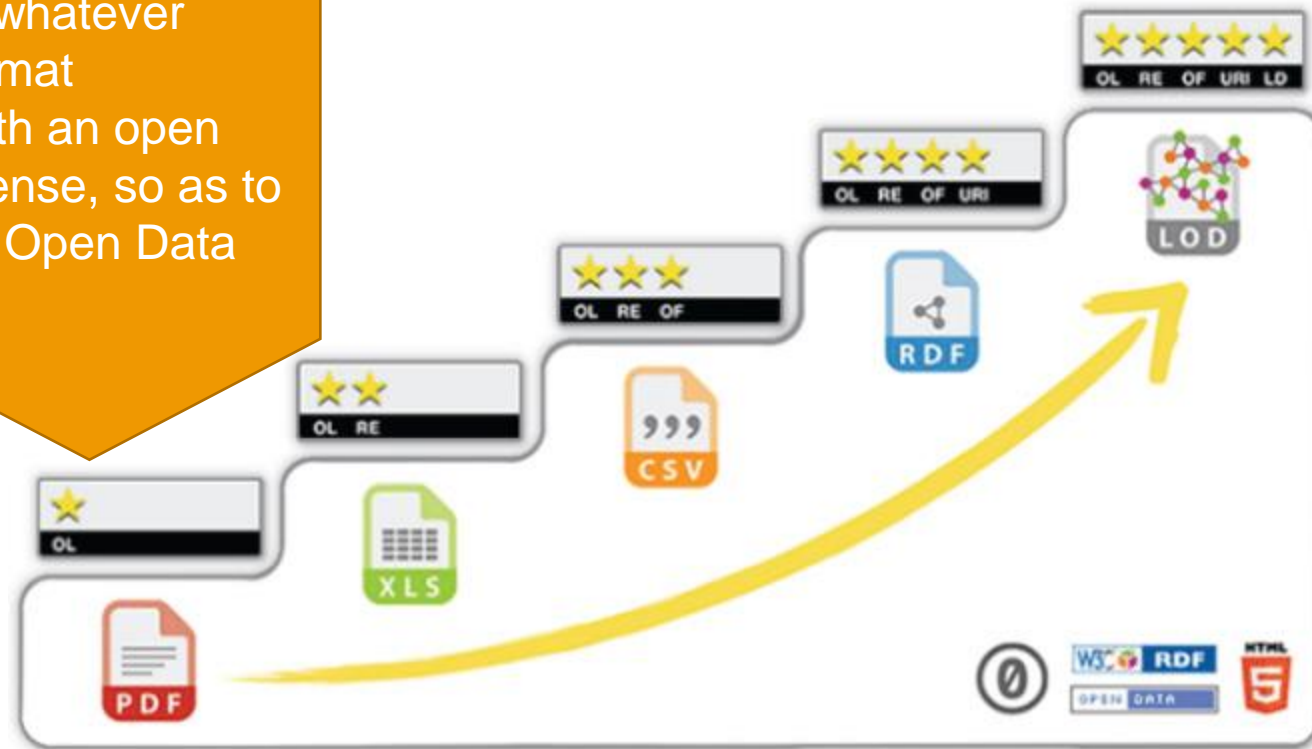
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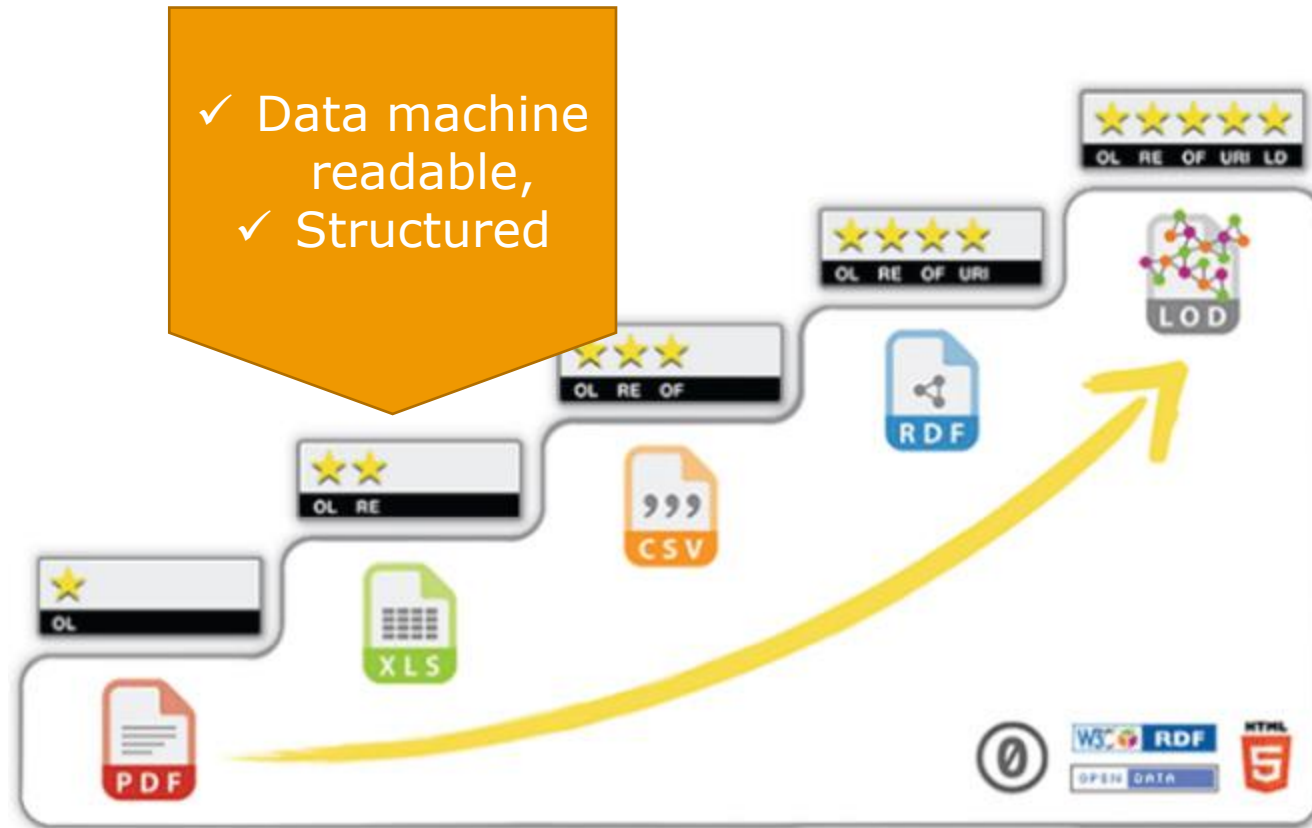


5-star deployment scheme for Linked Open Data

- ✓ Data available on the web,
- ✓ In whatever format
- ✓ With an open license, so as to be Open Data



5-star deployment scheme for Linked Open Data



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require
proprietary
software
package to
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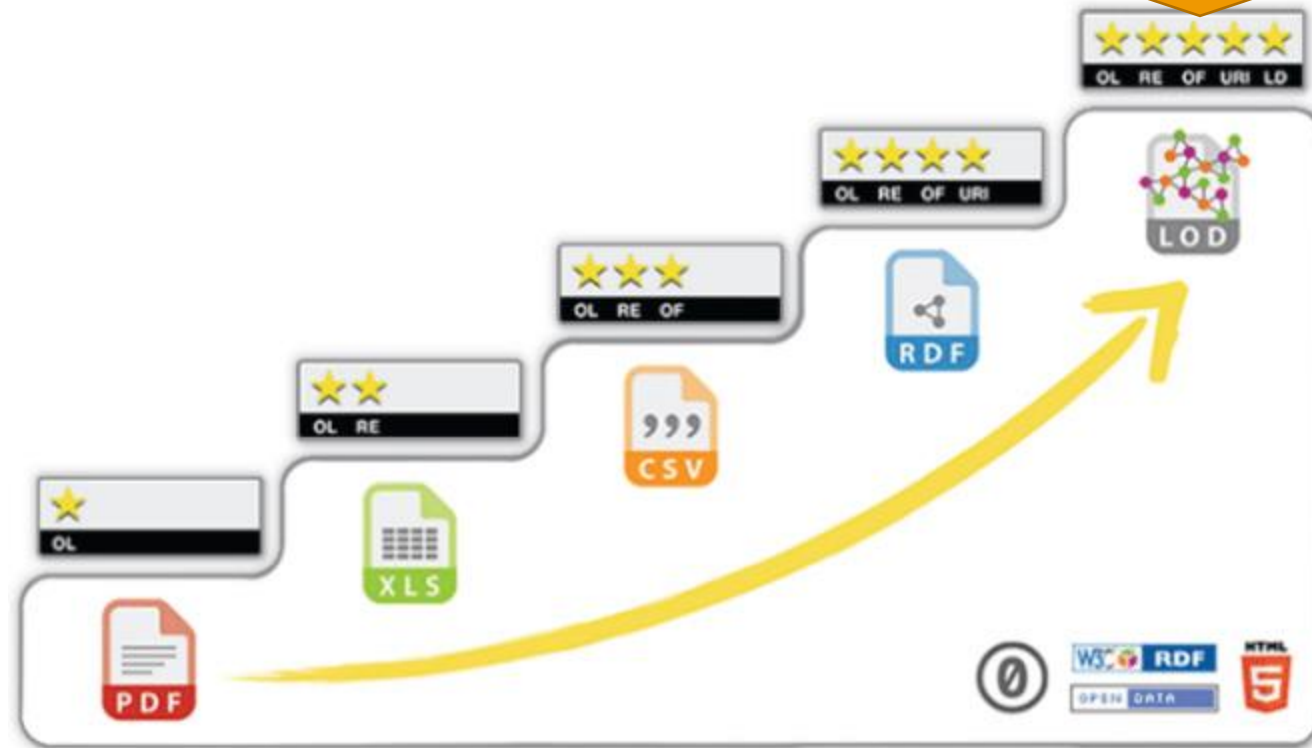
✓ Data that uses open standards from W3C, such as RDF to identify things

Data

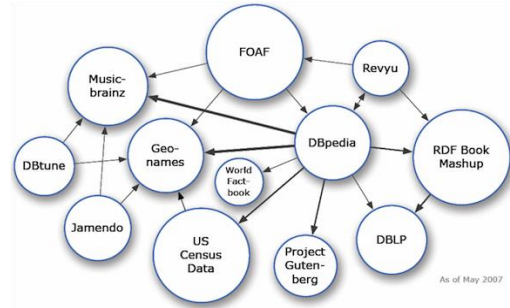


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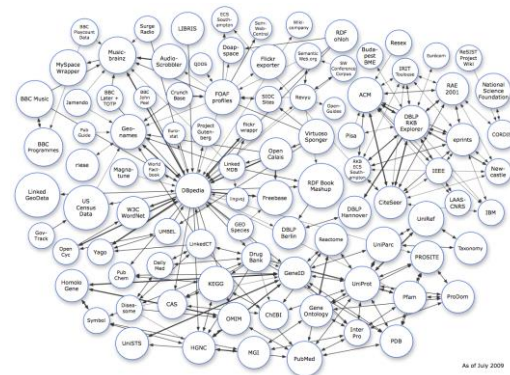
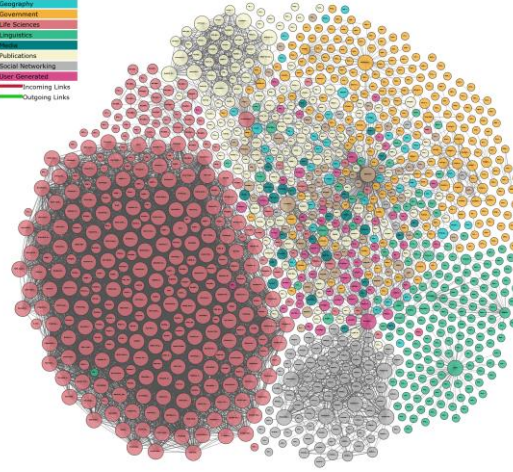
✓ Open data available on the Web linked to other data



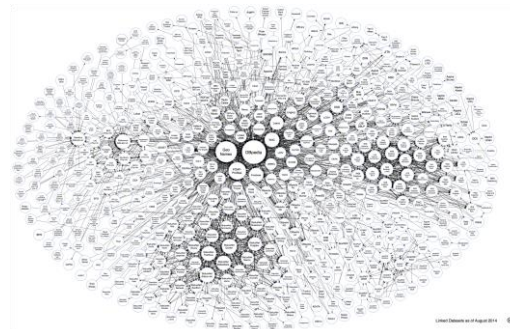
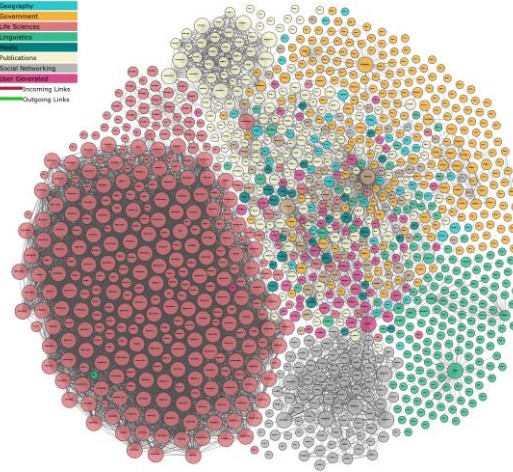
The Linked Open Data Cloud



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Linked Open Data as of August 2011

Linked Open Data

- The goal of this W3C community effort is “to extend the Web with a data commons by publishing various open data sets as RDF on the Web and by setting RDF links between data items from different data sources.”
- The LOD community is developing a set of best practices for achieving this.

Linked Data Principles

- Tim Berners-Lee outlined four principles of linked data in his "Linked Data" note of 2006:
 - Use URIs to name (identify) things.
 - Use HTTP URIs so that these things can be looked up (interpreted, "dereferenced").
 - When someone looks up a URI, provide useful information, using the standards (RDF, SPARQL, etc)
 - Include links to other URIs so that they can discover more things.

Key Linked Data Technologies

- URIs: a generic means to identify entities or concepts in the world
- HTTP: a simple, yet universal, mechanism for retrieving resources, or descriptions of resources
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Entity Interlinking

- Data sets will typically talk about the same object using different URIs. For example:



<https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q20354353>

owl:sameAs



<http://dbpedia.org/resource/Sentinel-2A>

Leading Ontologies and KGs



- Large collaborative KB (20 million)
- Community experts
- Started in 2007
- Closed in 2014 (Google)
- 2018 is partially published by Google

Freebase

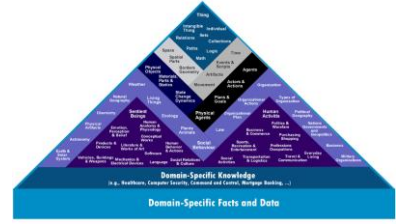


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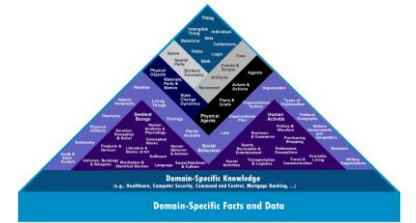
- 570 million entities and 18 billion facts
- From multiple resources



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Bioschemas



- Crowdsourced (500 edits/min)
- 88 millions entities
- High quality structured data in real time
- Multilingual –same info

Freebase



- To create, maintain, and promote schemas for structured data on the Internet
- Google, Microsoft, Yahoo and Yandex + community

Schema.org: Evolution of Structured Data on the Web

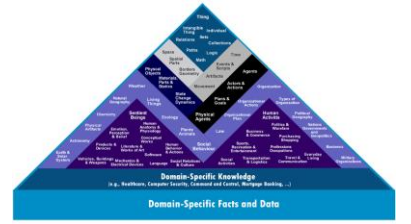
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DBpedia



ioschemas

- Data from Wikidata
- Ontology from schema.org
- Logical Constraints

yAGO
select knowledge



Freebase



- 5 million things
- Extracts automatically content from Wikipedia
- Automatically updated
- Multilingual (diff content)
- Open KG



Bioschemas



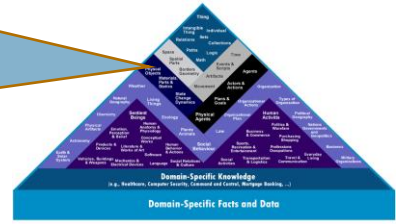
Freebase



- Started: 1984
- > 500.000 classes
- Common sense knowledge
- Is still being reused – BioCyc: contains curated data from 130,000 publications



WIKIPEDIA
The Free Encyclopedia



Bioschemas

yago
select knowledge



Schema.org: Evolution of Structured Data on the Web

 Freebase

- Encourages people in the life sciences to use Schema.org
- Proposing new types and properties to Schema.org for life science resources.
- Latest release: 2017
- 500,000 terms, including 15,000 relations, 5M facts (assertions) relating these terms.
- New assertions were added to the KB through a combination of automated and manual means.
- Applications: Glaxo, Cleveland Clinic Foundation, Terrorist KB



Standard Vocabularies/Ontologies

- Linked data are written using standard vocabularies i.e., vocabularies that have been **agreed** by certain **communities** for **describing** certain kinds of resources.
 - FOAF: for persons, their activities and their relations to other people and objects.
 - DublinCore: for digital & physical resources (video, images, books, artworks, etc)
 - Schema.org
 - DOLCE: upper level ontology
 - BFO: upper level ontology
 - ...

Example: FOAF

```
@prefix rdf: <http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#> .
@prefix foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/> .
@prefix rdfs: <http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#> .

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Angelina_Jolie#this>
  rdf:type foaf:Person ;
  foaf:name "Angelina_Jolie" ;
  foaf:mbox <mailto:Angelina_Jolie@gmail.com> ;
  foaf:homepage <https://joliestweet.wixsite.com/angelinajolie> ;
  foaf:interest < https://www.unhcr.org/> ;
  foaf:knows [ rdf:type foaf:Person ;
               foaf:name "Jon Voight" ] .
```

Property: foaf:knows

knows - A person known by this person (indicating some level of reciprocated interaction between the parties).

Status: stable

Domain: having this property implies being a [Person](#)

Range: every value of this property is a [Person](#)

Dbpedia example



Browse using Formats

Faceted Browser Sparql Endpoint

About: [Sentinel-2A](#)



An Entity of Type: [Earth observation](#), from Named Graph: <http://dbpedia.org>, within Data Space: [dbpedia.org](#)

Sentinel-2A is a European optical imaging satellite launched in 2015. It is the first Sentinel-2 satellite launched as part of the European Space Agency's Copernicus Programme. The satellite carries a wide swath high-resolution multispectral imager with 13 spectral bands. It will perform terrestrial observations in support of services such as forest monitoring, land cover changes detection, and natural disaster management. On 7 March 2017 the Sentinel-2A was joined in orbit by its sister satellite, Sentinel-2B.



Property	Value
dbo:SpaceMission/missionDuration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">2556.75
dbo:abstract	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Sentinel-2A is a European optical imaging satellite launched in 2015. It is the first Sentinel-2 satellite launched as part of the European Space Agency's Copernicus Programme. The satellite carries a wide swath high-resolution multispectral imager with 13 spectral bands. It will perform terrestrial observations in support of services such as forest monitoring, land cover changes detection, and natural disaster management. On 7 March 2017 the Sentinel-2A was joined in orbit by its sister satellite, Sentinel-2B. (en)
dbo:cosparId	<ul style="list-style-type: none">2015-028A
dbo:launchDate	<ul style="list-style-type: none">2015-06-23 (xsd:date)
dbo:launchVehicle	<ul style="list-style-type: none">dbr:Vega_(rocket)
dbo:manufacturer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">dbr:Airbus_Defence_and_Space
dbo:missionDuration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">220903200.000000 (xsd:double)

Dbpedia example

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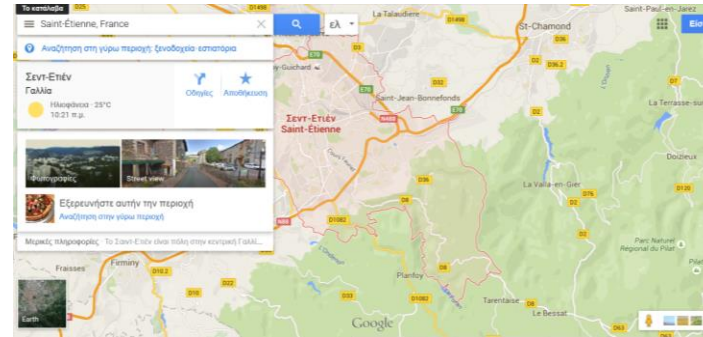
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rdfs:label	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sentinel-2A (en)
owl:sameAs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• yago-res:Sentinel-2A• https://global.dbpedia.org/id/8GXew
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foaf:isPrimaryTopicOf	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• wikipedia-en:Sentinel-2A
foaf:name	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sentinel-2A (en)
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Ontology/KG developement

- Ontologies and knowledge graphs can be created using different means:
- **Cyc, schema.org:** trained ontology engineers
- **WordNet:** trained experts (lexicographers).
- **DBpedia, FreeBase, YAGO4:** automatically importing structured facts from various Web sources possibly with some inference.
- **CaLiGraph, TextRunner, NELL:** parsing textual data and extracting information from them

Geospatial Data on the Web & EO Data



Linked Geospatial and Temporal Data

- This is a research area studied by ai. team since 2010.
- The basic research question is how to manage geospatial and temporal data on the Web using linked data technologies.
- See our team web site for more: <http://ai.di.uoa.gr/>

Research Contributions

- The model stRDF and stSPARQL
- The systems GeoTriples and Silk
- The spatiotemporal RDF store Strabo2
- The ontology-based data access system Ontop-spatial.
- The visualization tool Sextant.
- Extension of YAGO2 with precise geospatial information for administrative regions: YAGO2geo
- Geospatial Question Answering tool GeoQA
- Many applications, especially with Earth Observation data.
- You will use most of our tools in the course project.

Example of stRDF (Geospatial Dimension)

```
gag:Olympia rdf:type gag:MunicipalCommunity;  
    gag:name "Ancient Olympia";  
    gag:population "184"^^xsd:int;  
    strdf:hasGeometry "POLYGON((21.5 18.5,23.5 18.5, 23.5  
        21,21.5 21,21.5 18.5));  
    http://www.opengis.net/def/crs/OGC/1.3/CRS84"^^strdf:WKT.
```

Ancient
Olympia



Example of stSPARQL (Geospatial Dimension)

Query: Compute the parts of burnt areas that lie in coniferous forests

```
SELECT ?burntArea (strdf:intersection(?baGeom, strdf:union(?fGeom)) AS
                                                         ?burntForest)
WHERE {
    ?burntArea rdf:type noa:BurntArea;
               strdf:hasGeometry ?baGeom.
    ?forest rdf:type clc:Region;
            clc:hasLandCover clc:ConiferousForest;
            strdf:hasGeometry ?fGeom.

FILTER (strdf:intersects(?baGeom, ?fGeom)) }
GROUP BY ?burntArea ?baGeom
```

Geospatial Question Answering

Google

which city borders london from the north

All News Images Maps Videos More Tools

About 594,000,000 results (0.62 seconds)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/North_London

North London - Wikipedia

North London is the northern part of London, England, north of the River Thames. It extends from Clerkenwell and Finsbury, on the edge of **the City of London** ...

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/City_of_London

City of London - Wikipedia

The City of London is a city, ceremonial county and local government district that contains the historic centre and constitutes, alongside Canary Wharf, ...

People also ask

- Which city is the London of the north?
- What is the border of the City of London?
- What areas are north of London?
- Where are London's borders?

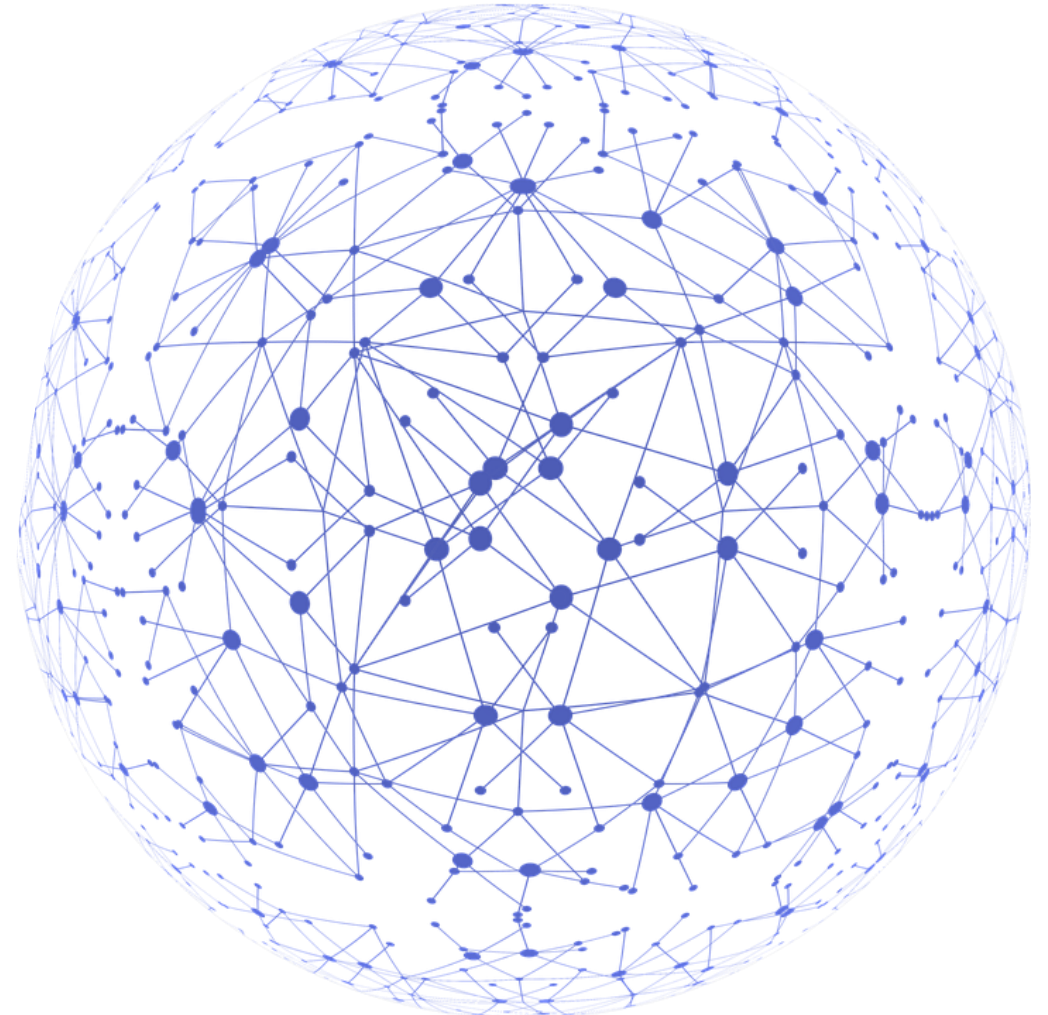
Feedback

Geospatial Question Answering

- It is now clear that we do not get a definite answer like we got for Sentinel-2 and its start date.
- The reason is that the Google knowledge graph currently does not support geospatial question answering (similarly, temporal or with quantities etc.)
- See our paper on this topic:
http://cgi.di.uoa.gr/~koubarak/publications/2023/ISWC_2023_GeoQuestions_paper-3.pdf
- Can we get even more complex??
- Sentinel-2 data from cities north of London during Christmas 2020

Outline

- Basic concepts
 - knowledge, ontology, knowledge graphs
- Some History: How did it all start?
- Why do we need them?
- Where are we today?
- So, what is an ontology?
 - RDFS, OWL, Description logics,
- How do we query an ontology/KG?
 - SPARQL
- Linked Data
- Linked geospatial and temporal data
- **High Value use cases**



High Value Use Cases:

- Public sector:
 - Open Data Directive (EU)
 - Openbudgets.brussels
 - The Zaragoza's Knowledge Graph: Open Data to Harness the City Knowledge
- Law:
 - Legislative data
- Medicine:
 - eHealth Network
 - Biopharma industry
- Industry
- Banking sector

Open Data Directive



- Entered into force on 16 July 2019 (replacing the PSI Directive of 2013)
- The goal is to make public sector and **publicly-funded data re-usable** and **transparent**.
- Focuses on the **economic aspects of the reuse of information**.
- Strengthens the **transparency** requirements for public–private agreements
- Encourages the Member States to make as much information available for re-use as possible
- High value datasets: beneficial for the society and economy:
 - Geospatial, earth observation and environment, meteorological, statistics, companies and company ownership, mobility

Example: Brussels

- Openbudgets.brussels¹
 - Better understanding who spent how much and why, makes political decisions more transparent.

¹<https://openbudgets.be.brussels/en/about/about-us>

Eur-lex: Access to European Law



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Greek linked data



- A legal document might refer to **another** legal document
- A legal document might **modify** the content of other legal documents
- Nomothesia:
 - presents the textual **content** of legal documents
 - search for legislative documents based on their **metadata** or **textual content**

- answers complex analytics
- e.g., “Which are the 5 most frequently modified legal documents during 2008-2013?”
- “Who are the 3 past government members that have signed the most legal documents during their service in 2008-2015?”.

Τα νομικά δεδομένα έχουν πιθανώς αποκλιςεί από το πρωτότυπο κείμενο με βάση τυχόν λάθη που έγιναν στην αυτοματοποιημένη διαδικασία μετατροπής τους.

Λέξεις Κλειδιά: Τύπος Νομοθεσίας:

Αριθμός Κυκλοφορίας: / N. Ημερομηνία Έκδοσης:

Συνθετή Αναζήτηση

ΠΙΟ ΔΗΜΟΦΙΛΗ ΝΕΕΣ ΕΚΔΟΣΕΙΣ

Εμφάνιση 5 εγγραφών ανά σελίδα Αναζήτηση

Τίτλος	Κωδικός	Ημερομηνία	Προβολές
Κανονισμός φόρτωσης, εκφόρτωσης, διακίνησης και παραμονής επικινδύνων ειδών σε λιμένες και μεταφορά αυτών δια θαλάσσης.	Προεδρικό Διάταγμα 1996/405	1996-12-16	6795
Διμόρφες Συμβάσεις Έργων, Υπηρεσιών και Προμηθειών στους τομείς της Ασφάλειας και της Ασφάλειας - Εναρμόνιση με την Οδηγία 2009/81/ΕΚ - Ρύθμιση Θεμάτων του Υπουργείου Εθνικής Άμυνας.	Νόμος 2011/3978	2011-06-16	6619

Την τελευταία δεκαετία, υπάρχει αυξημένο ενδιαφέρον για τη δημοσίευση κυβερνητικών δεδομένων, έτσι ώστε να είναι ανοιχτά και εύκολα προσβάσιμα από το ευρύ κοινό. Οι τεχνολογικές εξελίξεις στην περιοχή του σημασιολογικού ιστού έχουν προκαλέσει την ανάπτυξη του λεγόμενου "ιστού των δεδομένων" (Web of Data), η οποία έδωσε μια ακόμα ισχυρότερη ώθηση σε αυτές τις προσπάθειες. Πρόσφατα, εξελίξεις στην περιοχή της επεξεργασίας φυσικής γλώσσας μέσω της χρήσης τεχνικών όπως το deep learning παρέχουν τεχνολογίες οι οποίες επιτρέπουν την επιτυχή επεξεργασία και εξόρυξη πληροφορίας από δεδομένα κειμένου.

Ένα σημαντικό είδος κυβερνητικών δεδομένων είναι τα δεδομένα που σχετίζονται

ELISE - European Location Interoperability Solutions for e-Government

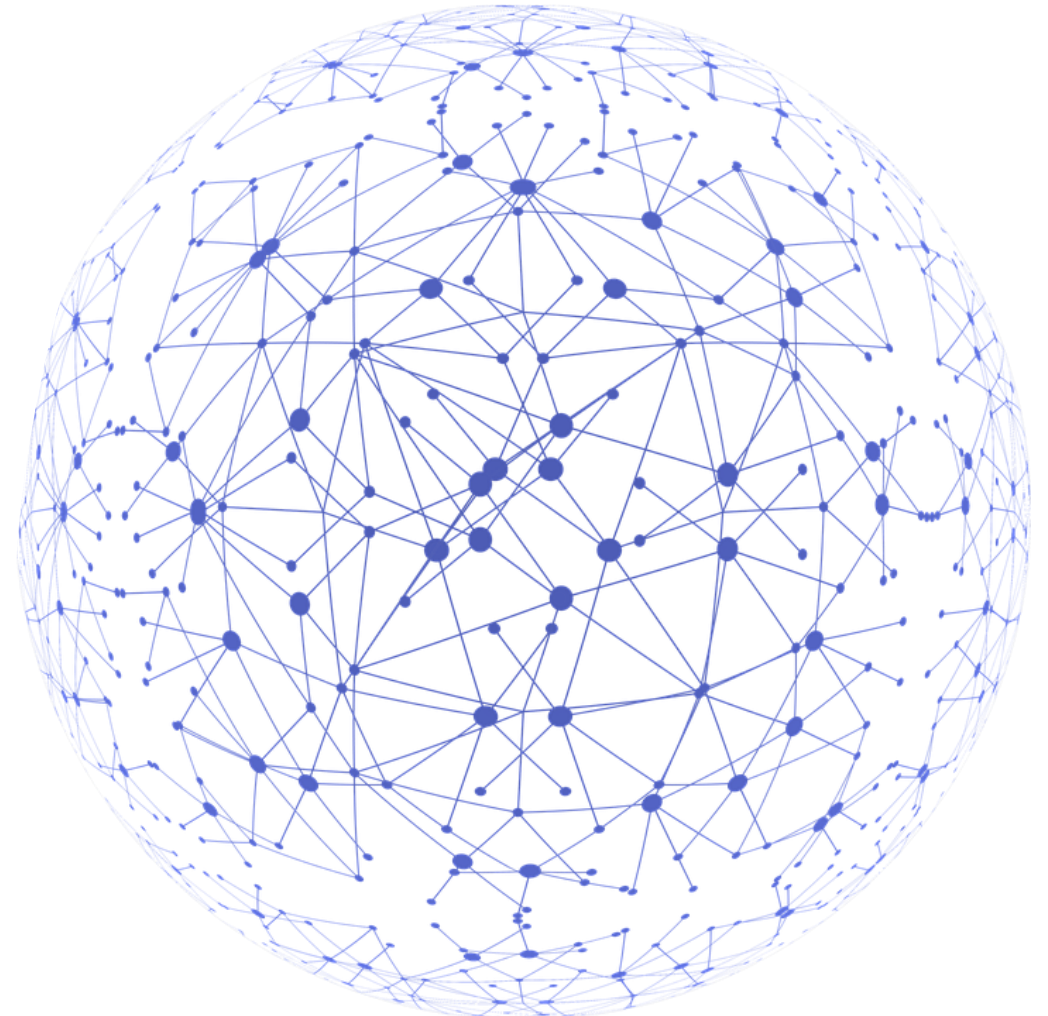


- Goal: Management of knowledge resources from the various organizations:
 - technical resources, training documents, skillsets, insights, and frequently asked questions

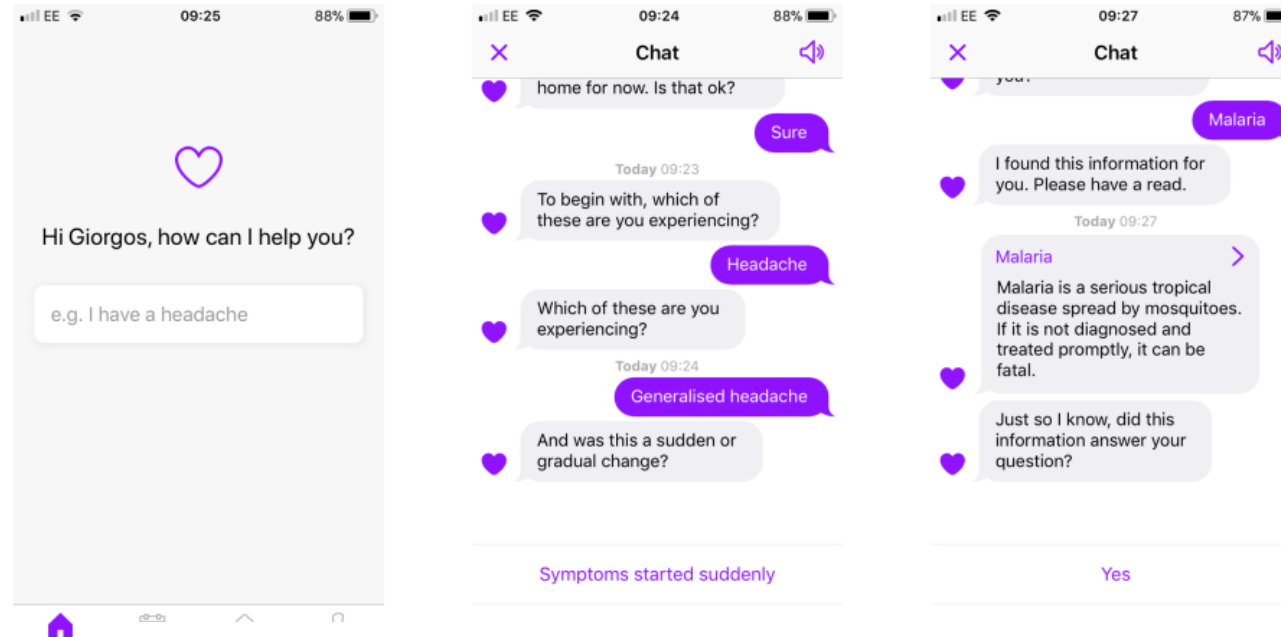


Outline

- Basic concepts
 - knowledge, ontology, knowledge graphs
- Some History: How did it all start?
- Why do we need them?
- Where are we today?
- So, what is an ontology?
 - RDFS, OWL, Description logics,
- How do we query an ontology/KG?
 - SPARQL
- Linked Data
- **Linked geospatial and temporal data**
- High Value use cases



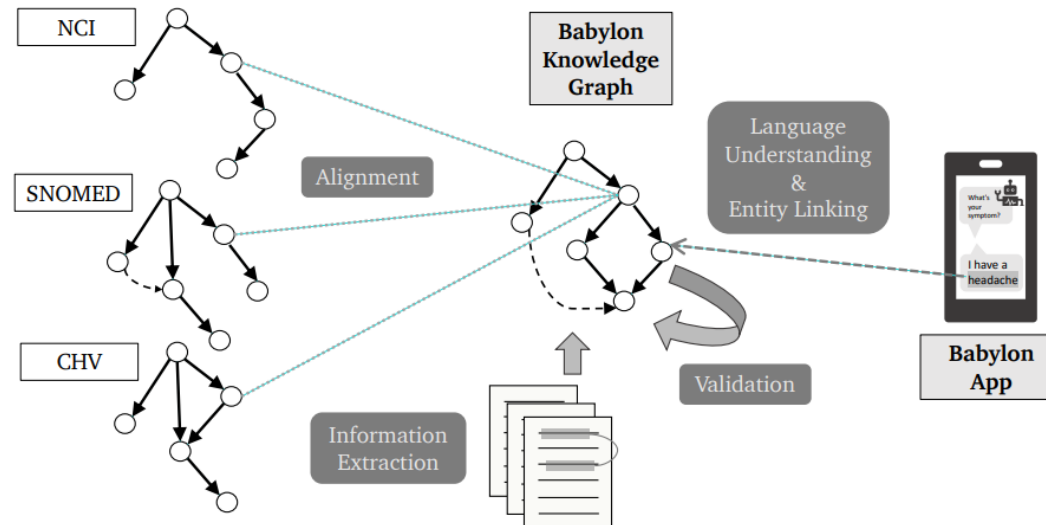
High Value Use Cases: Healthcare



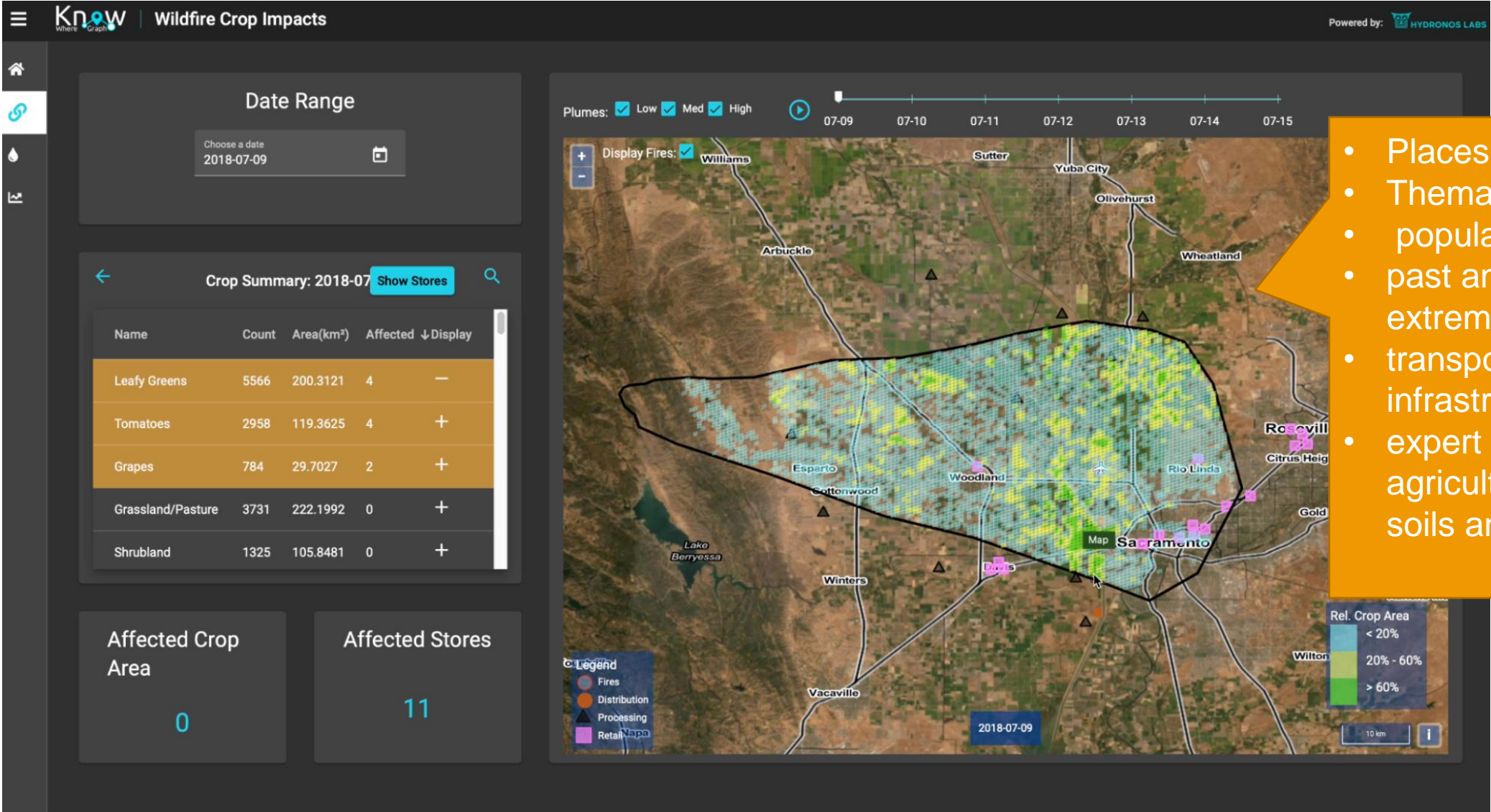
Cancer domain, including cancer related diseases, findings and abnormalities.

Nursing Ontology Diagnosis

Open Access, Collaborative Consumer Health Vocabulary Initiative



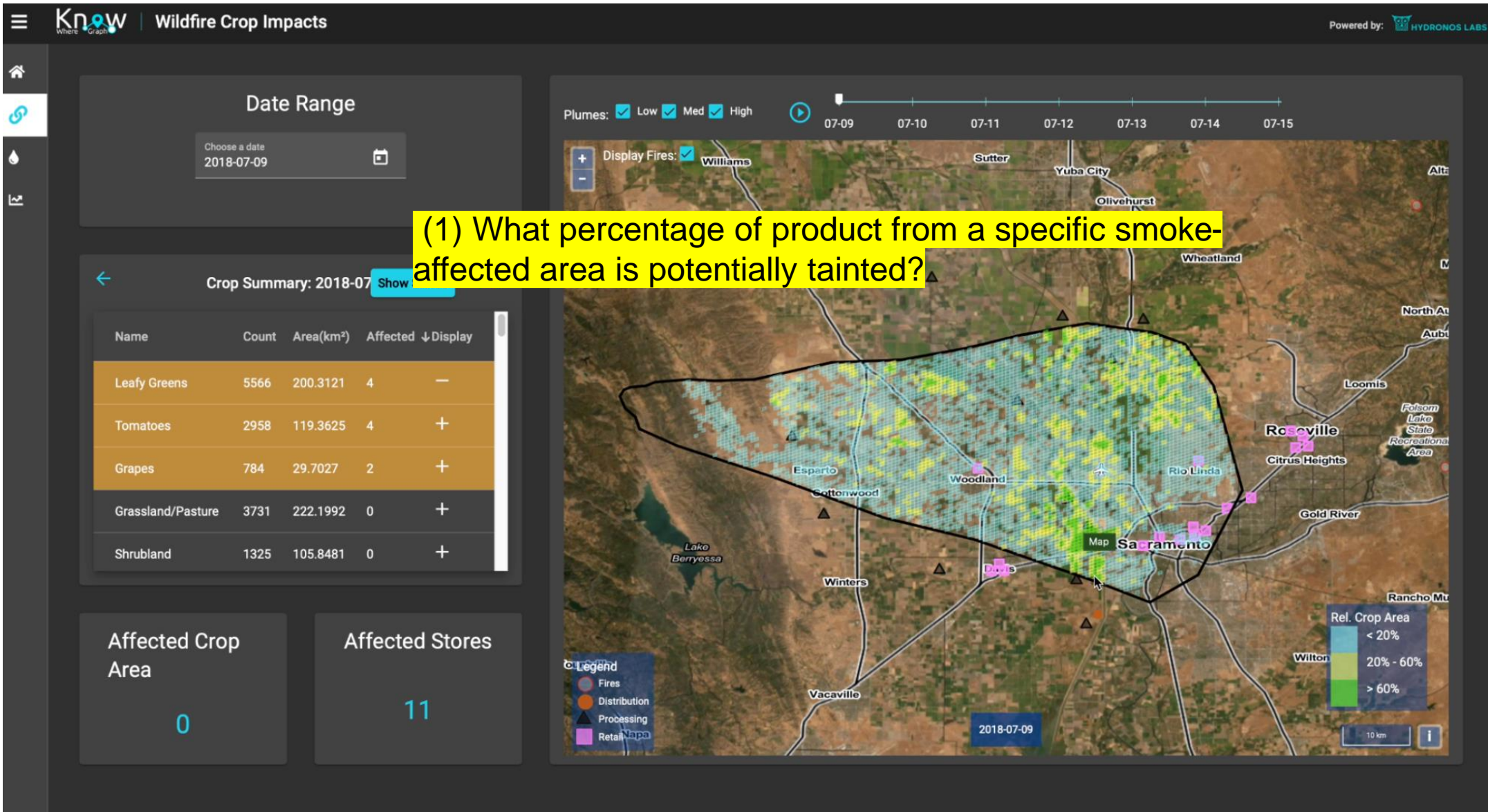
KnowWhereGraph - Food Supply Chain Resilience



- Places, regions
- Thematic layers on top:
 - population health
 - past and present extreme events,
 - transportation infrastructure,
 - expert networks
- agricultural data about soils and crops

A screenshot of the KWG application developed for the Food Industry Association allowing users to visualize and explore the impact of wildfire events on the full food supply value chain for select crops.

KnowWhereGraph - Food Supply Chain Resilience



KnowWhereGraph - Food Supply Chain Resilience

The interface displays wildfire crop impacts for the date range 2018-07-09. A map shows the Sacramento Valley region with a large area shaded in green and yellow, indicating crop impact. The legend indicates that green represents a relative crop area of > 60%, yellow represents 20% - 60%, and light blue represents < 20%. The map also shows various locations like Sacramento, Woodland, and Roseville, along with symbols for fires, distribution, processing, and retail.

Date Range: 2018-07-09

Crop Summary: 2018-07

Name	Count	Area(km ²)	Affected	Display
Leafy Greens	5566	200.3121	4	-
Tomatoes	2958	119.3625	4	+
Grapes	784	29.7027	2	+
Grassland/Pasture	3731	222.1992	0	+
Shrubland	1325	105.8481	0	+

Affected Crop Area: 0

Affected Stores: 11

Legend: Fires (red circle), Distribution (orange circle), Processing (black triangle), Retail (pink square)

Rel. Crop Area Legend: < 20% (light blue), 20% - 60% (yellow), > 60% (green)

Map Date: 2018-07-09

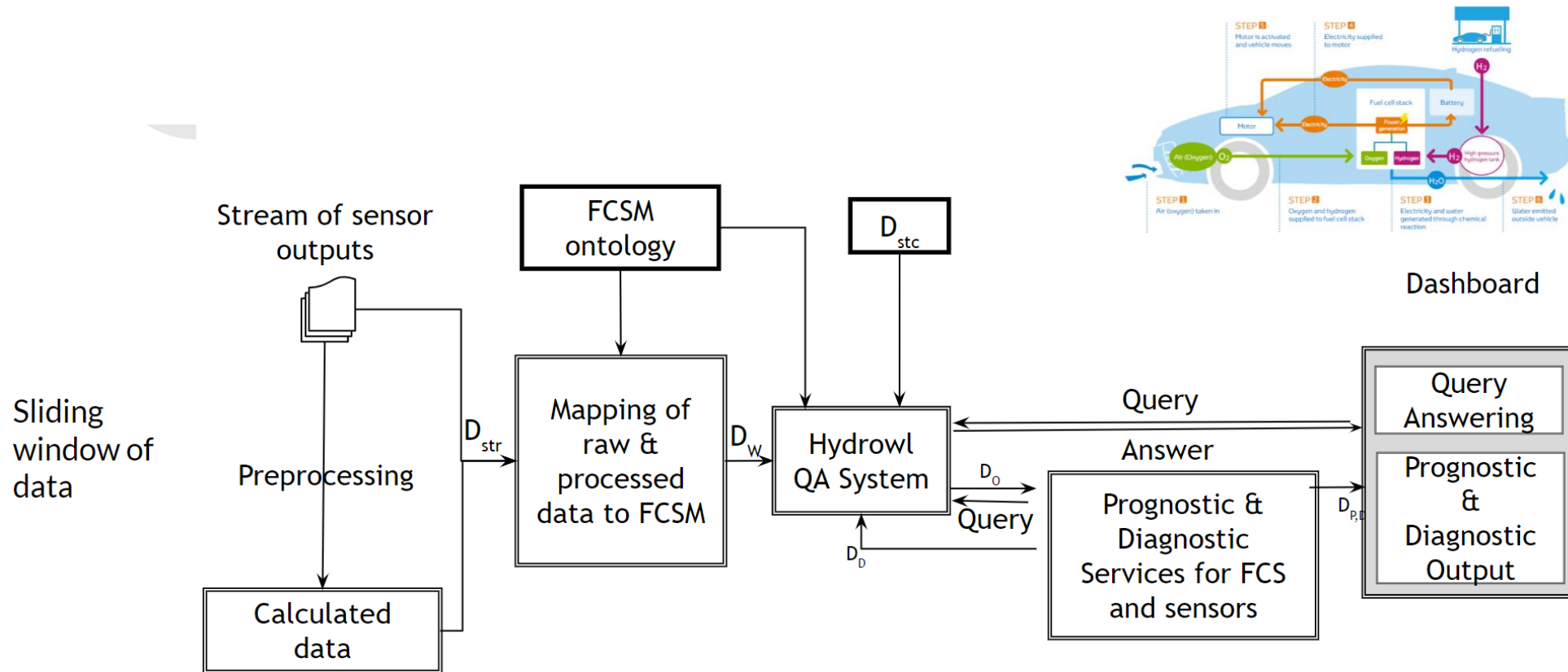
(2) Can we identify and notify key stakeholders in the supply chain about a product that may be (or may become) tainted?

AI on Demand Platform: Working Group for Ontology



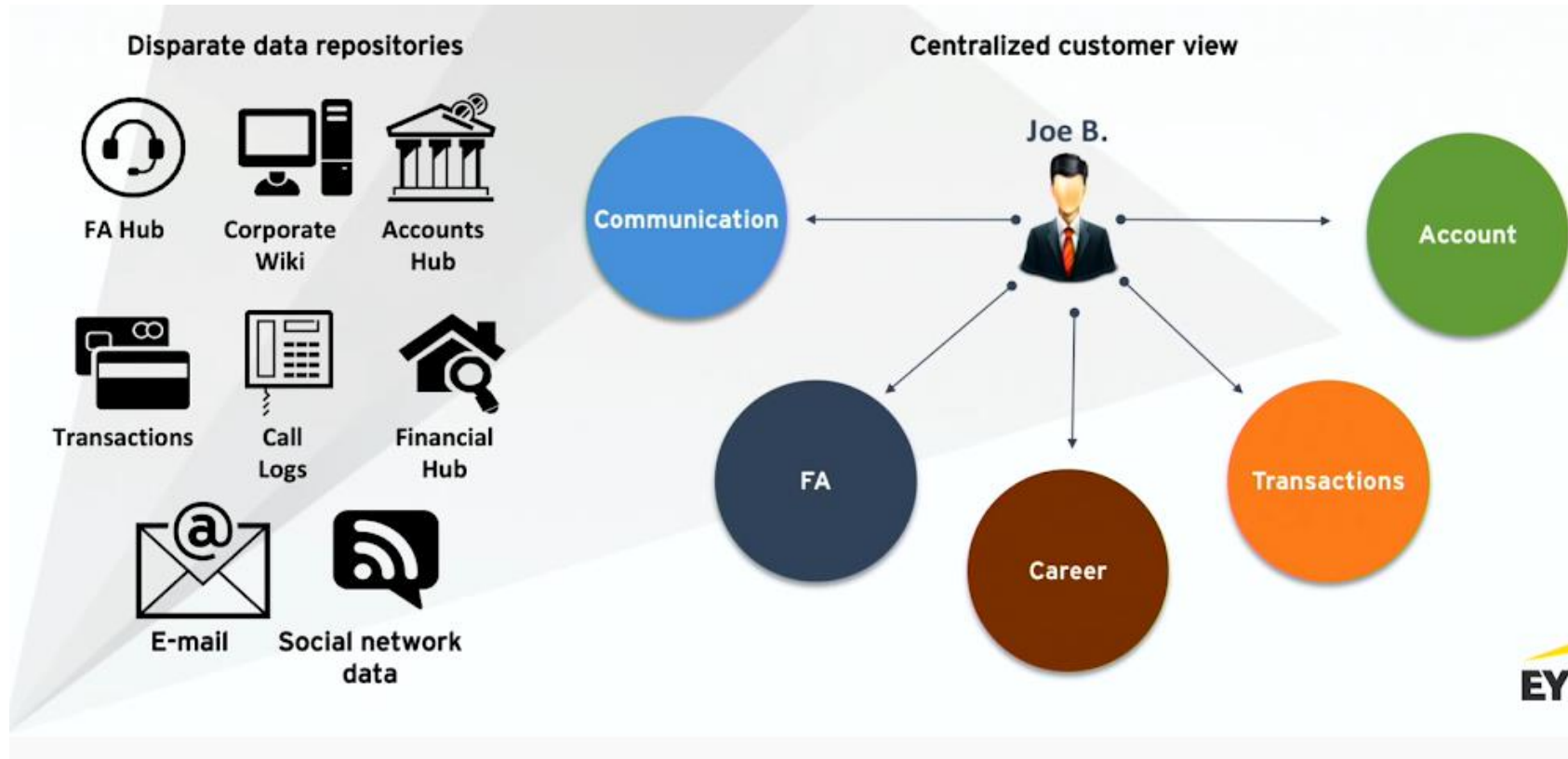
- AloD facilitates **knowledge sharing, research experimentation** and development of state-of-the art **solutions and technologies related with AI and AI-based robotics.**
- To avoid replication of work across projects on ontologies
- To seek a "common ontology" to support the future AI on demand platform and related projects
- To reach an agreement on technologies to be used
- To make the knowledge discoverable across platforms
- To incorporate trustworthy AI topics related to the knowledge classification

High Value Use Cases: System Diagnosis



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High Value Use Cases: Enterprise

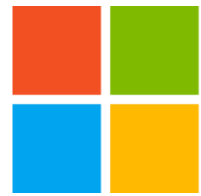


[Knowledge Graphs: The Path to Enterprise – Michael Moore and Al Omar Azhar, EY](#)

Where are we today? –Enterprise KGs



airbnb



Microsoft

Uber



LinkedIn

What have we seen?

- Knowledge vs Information
- History
- Ontology
- Knowledge Graph
- Knowledge Graphs vs Graph DBs
- Linked Data
- Leading Ontologies/KGs
- Use cases

- A **knowledge graph** can be used for:
 - a. Store data, just a fancy name for a Graph DB!
 - b. For representing knowledge in a flexible, reusable way that allows the derivation of *implied* knowledge
 - c. Automated data classification

- A **knowledge graph** can be used for:
 - a. Store data, just a fancy name for a Graph DB!
 - b. For representing knowledge in a flexible, standardized, reusable way that allows the derivation of *implied* knowledge
 - c. Automated data classification

- An **ontology** can be used for:
 - a. Store data in structured, reusable way, just a sophisticated name for KGs!
 - b. Automated data classification
 - c. For representing complex generic knowledge in a flexible, standardized reusable way that allows the derivation of *implied* knowledge

- An ontology can be used for:
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Emphasis of this Course

- The Semantic Web topics that we will cover in this course are:
 - Linked data
 - RDF, RDFS, RDF*, SHACL, SPARQL and RDF stores (Sesame).
 - Ontologies
 - Description logics, OWL 2, tools for developing ontologies (Protégé) and reasoners (Pellet, Hermit).
 - Ontology engineering
 - Rules
 - SWRL and others
 - Ontology engineering
 - Linked geospatial data (main focus of AI.Team)
 - stSPARQL, GeoSPARQL and Strabo

Logistics

- 3 Homeworks
- 1 Project (usually part of the 3rd HW)

That's it!



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