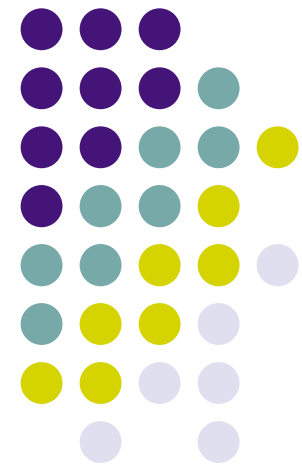
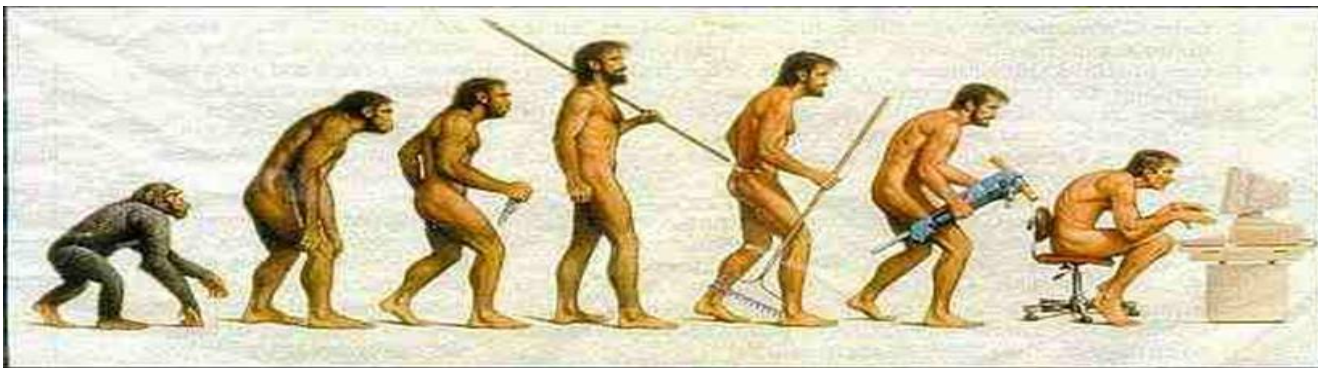


Semantic Web: Past, Now, Future

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What is Semantic Web?



What is the Semantic Web?

- *“An extension of the current Web in which information is given well-defined meaning, better enabling computers and people to work in cooperation.”*
 - Sir Tim Berners-Lee et al., Scientific American, 2001: tinyurl.com/i59p
- *“...allowing the Web to reach its full potential...”* with far-reaching consequences
- *“The next generation of the Web”*



Semantic Web

- Tim Berners-Lee has a vision of a Semantic Web which
 - has machine-understandable **semantics** of information, and
 - millions of small specialized **reasoning** services that provide support in automated task achievement based on the accessible information



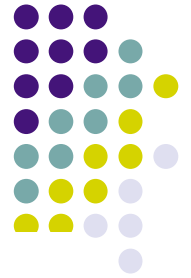
The Semantic Web in essence

- The word “semantic” stands for “the meaning of”:
 - The Beatles were a popular band from Liverpool; Lennon was a member of the Beatles; "Hey Jude" was recorded by the Beatles

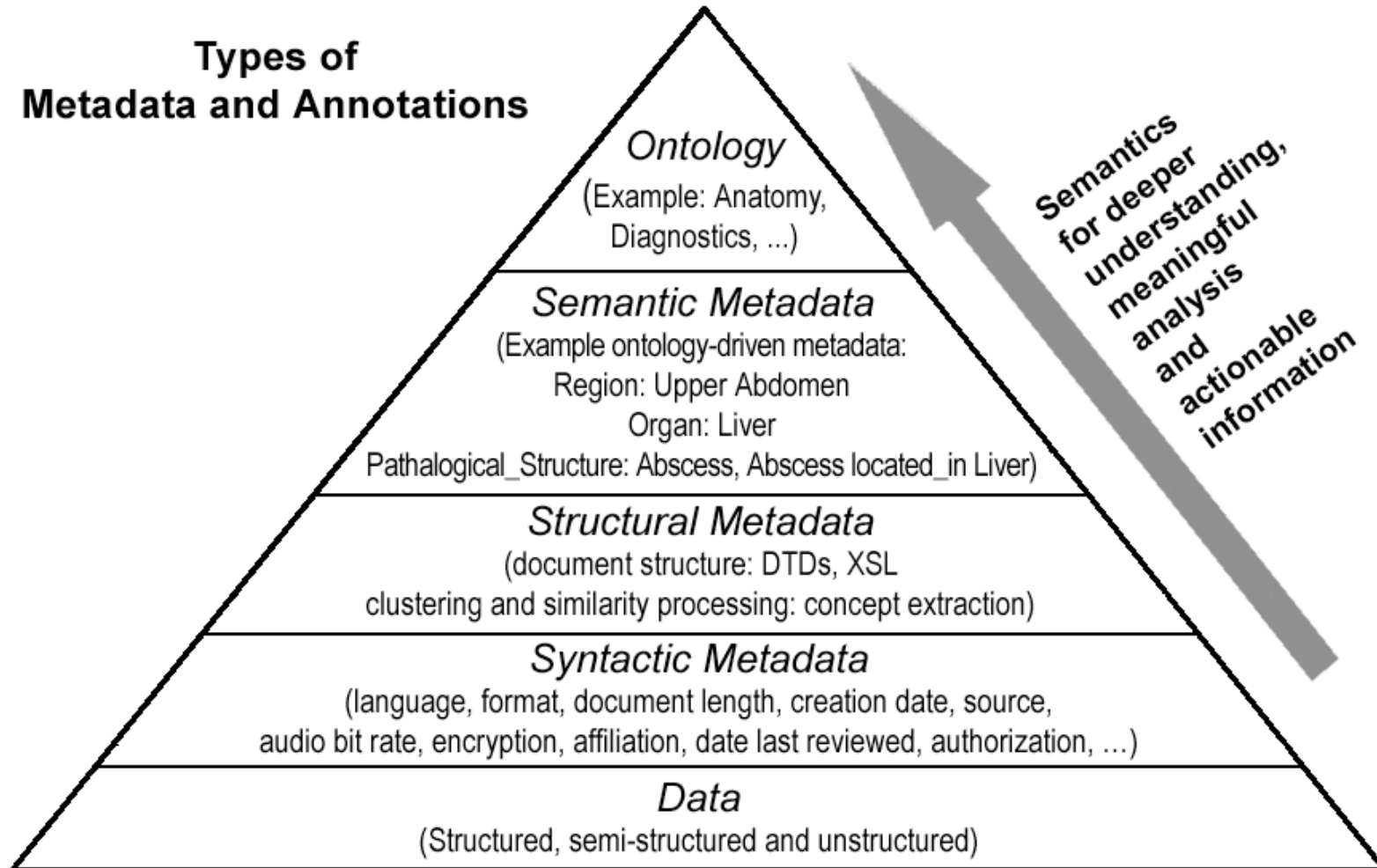


- The Semantic Web is a Web that is able to describe things in a way that computers can process

Metadata and Semantics



Types of Metadata and Annotations



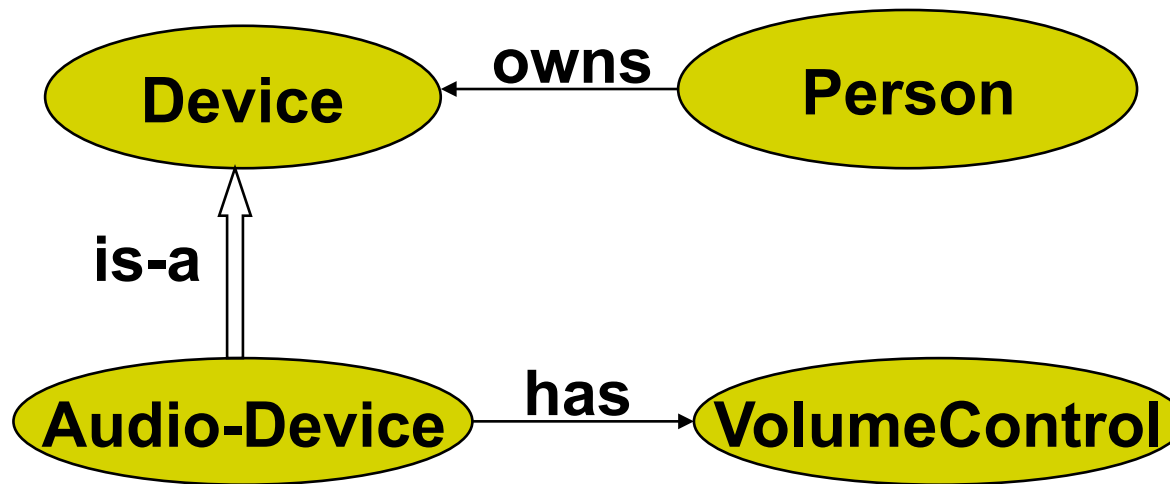


Ontology

- The semantic Web is essentially based on ontologies
 - **ontologies** are **formal** and **consensual** specifications of conceptualizations...
 - providing a **shared and common** understanding of a domain that can be communicated across people and application systems



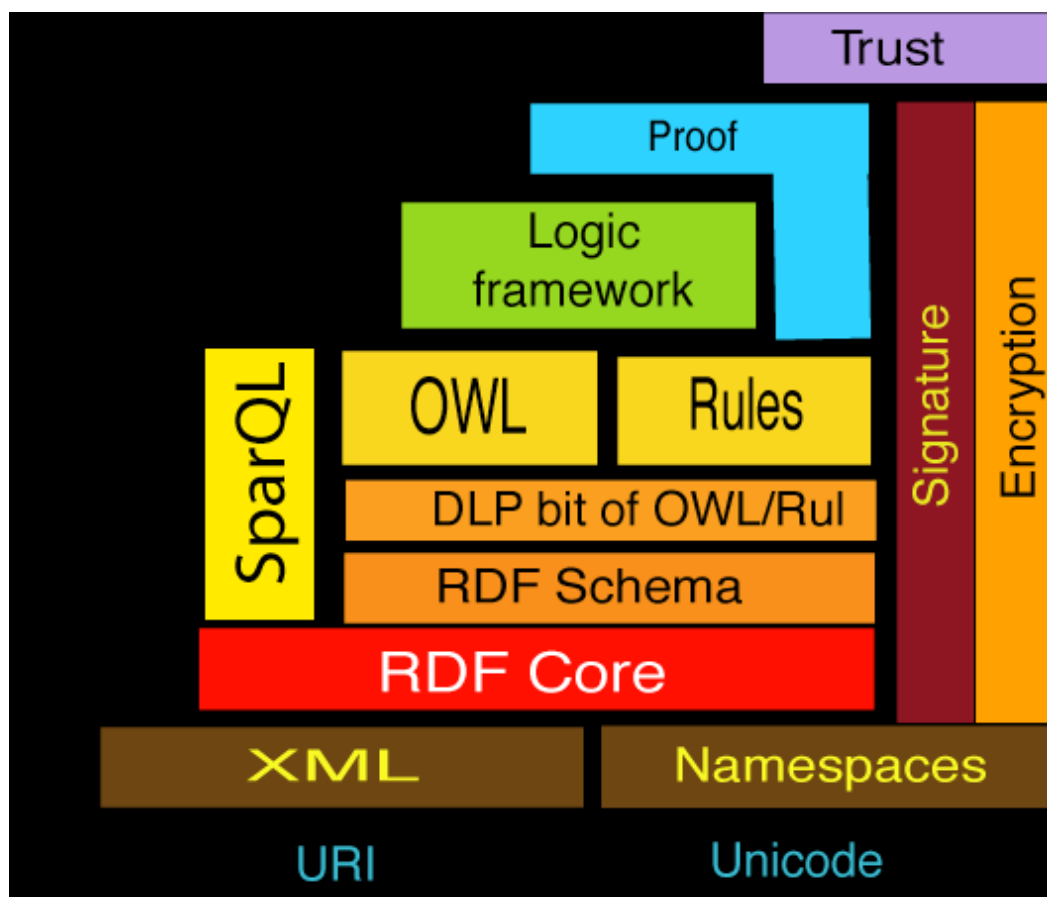
A very simple Ontology



Ontologies describe *concepts* and their *Relations*.



Semantic Web - Language tower



**Tim Berners-Lee
Keynote Speech in
2005**



What is Semantic Web for?

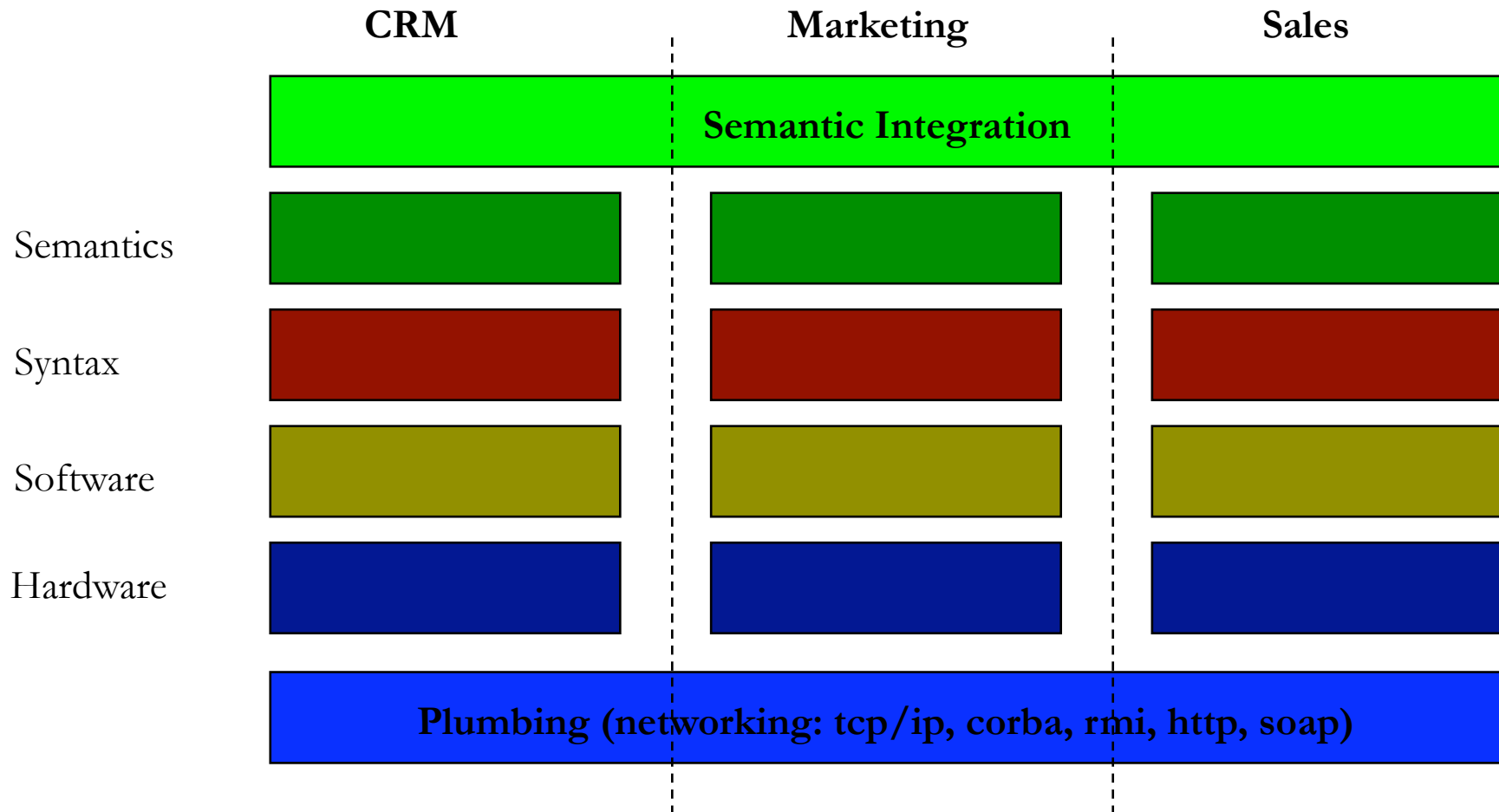
- Integrating - trying to solve the problem of data and service integration
- Searching - Providing better communication between human and computers by adding machine-processable semantics to data.



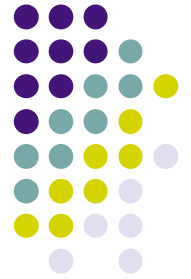
Semantic Integration

- Top-Down approach: Building up different domain ontologies for better data integration and communication within the domain:
 - PapiNet.org: Vocabulary for Paper Industry
 - BPMI.org: Vocabulary for exchanging Business Process Models
 - XML-HR: Vocabularies for human resources (HR)
 - DMTF: Distributed Management Task Force: Vocabularies for managing enterprises

Semantic Integration



Semantic Differences: Example

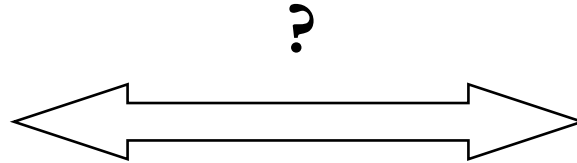


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DName	Jos de Bruijn
BDate	1979-06-23
LSale	2001-04-07

Sales

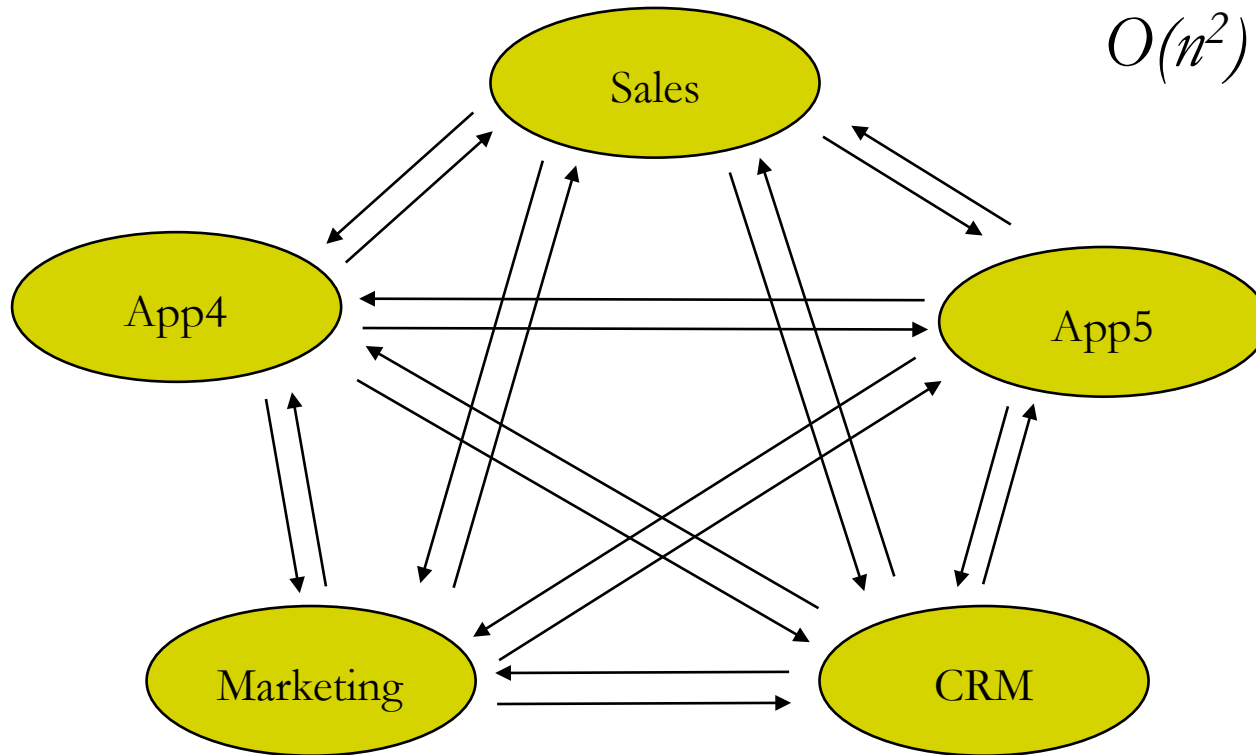
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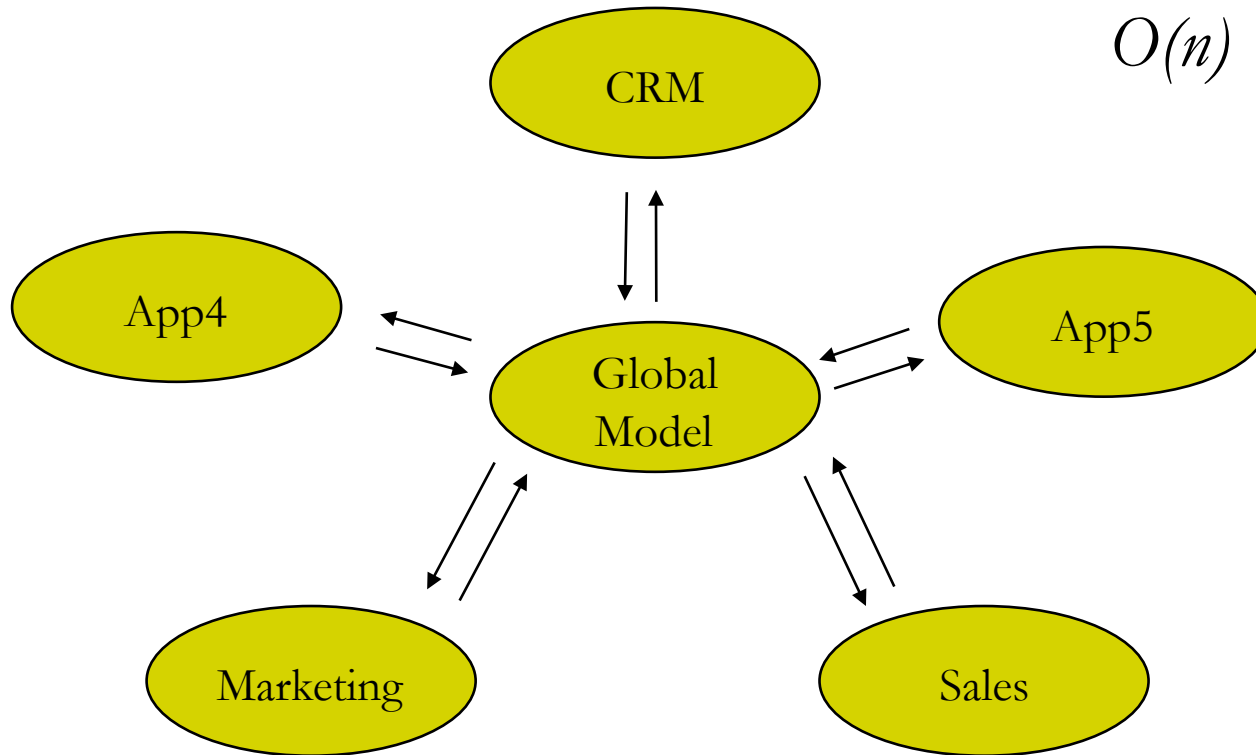
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| 2. | equivalent | distinct |
| 3. | equivalent | equivalent |
| 4. | distinct | distinct |

Information Integration Patterns

(1): *Ad Hoc* Integration



Information Integration Patterns (2): *Global* Integration

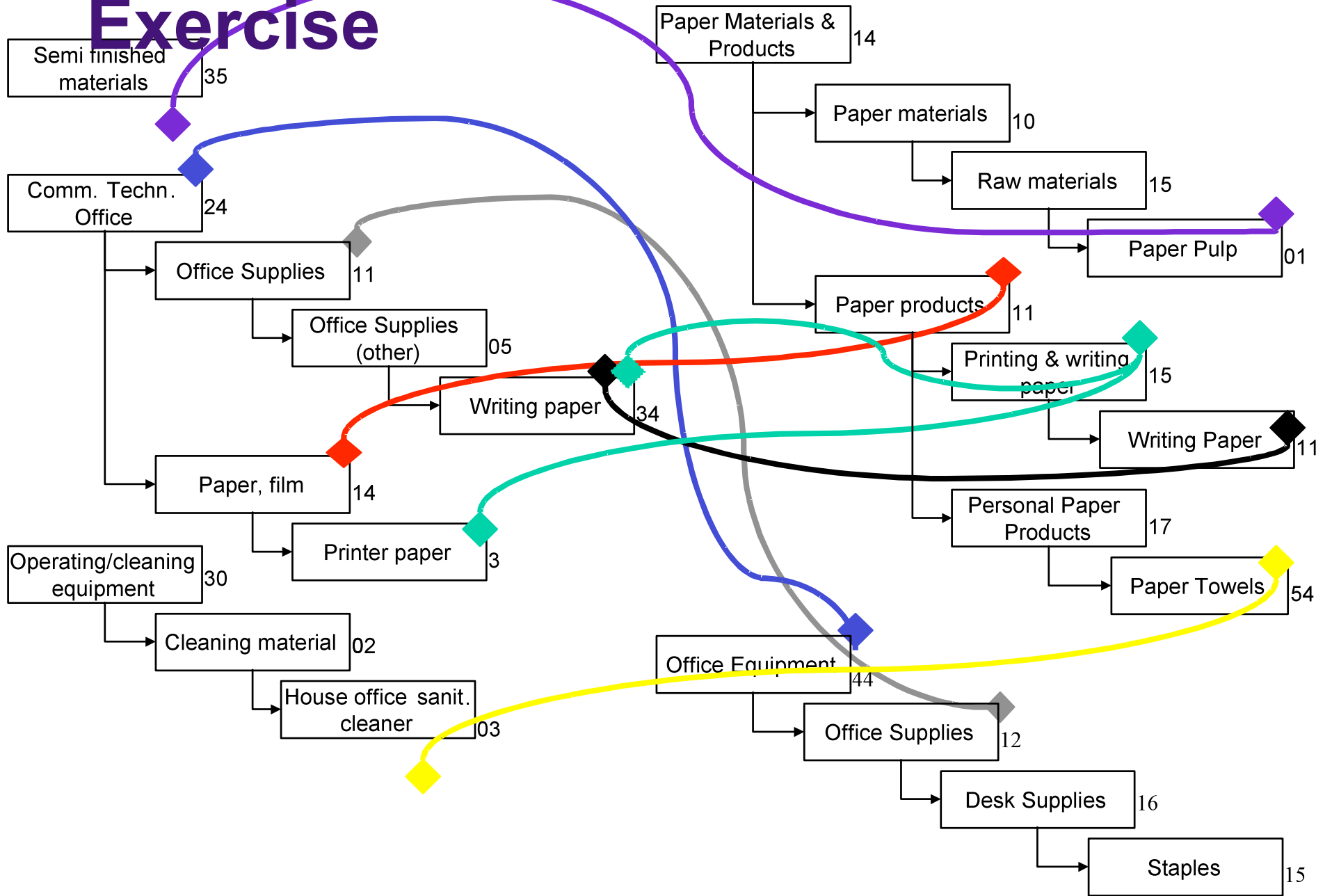


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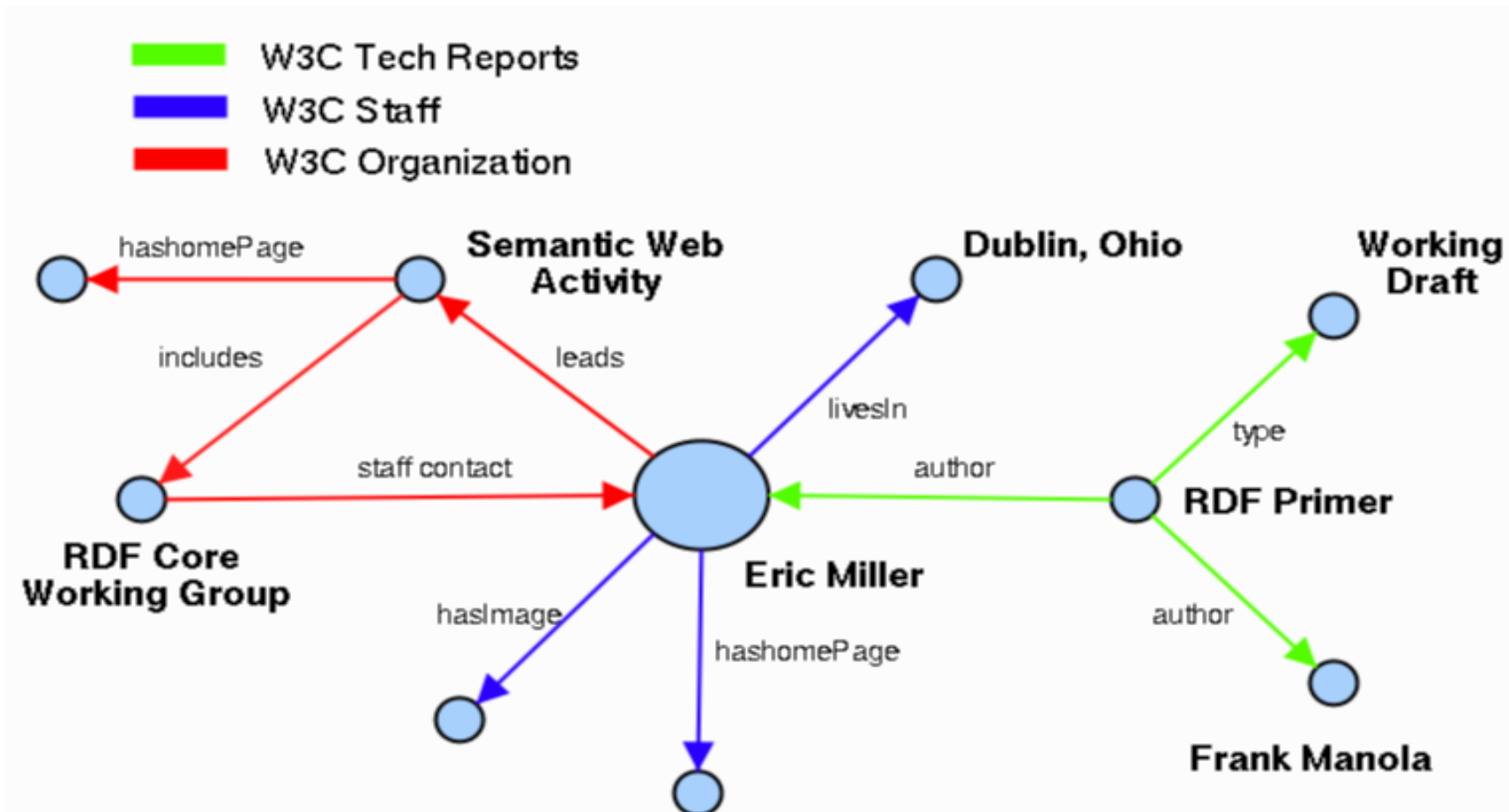
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Exercise



Semantic Searching



Semantic Searching



Text Search Results



Semantic Search Augmentation



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Related Recommendations:
[Resource Description Framework \(RDF\) Model and Syntax Specification](#), 22 February 1999 . Ralph Swick, Ora Lassila

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[Semantic Interpretation for Speech Recognition](#), 16 November 2001 . Luc Van

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Information from AllMusic

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 Yo-Yo Ma was the cello's foremost contemporary proponent, while primarily a classical performer, he also made a number of highly successful crossover recordings. Born October 7, 1955 to Chinese parents living in Paris, he began playing ...
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Semantic Web: Past

WWW – Web 1.0



The screenshot shows a Mozilla Firefox browser window with the address bar displaying <http://www.deri.at/teaching/courses/ss2007/details/next-web-generation/>. The page content includes the DERI logo, navigation tabs for About, Research, Teaching, and Digital Library, and a sidebar with DERI Locations and Events. The main content area features a navigation menu, a breadcrumb trail, and detailed information about the 'Next Web Generation' course, including its description, lecturer (Ying Ding), and time slots.

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Next Web Generation

The course is an introduction to a set of new technologies for building Next Web Generation. In the first two parts we will discuss mechanisms for representing, manipulating and querying structured data (XML) respectively semantic data (RDF, OWL) on the Web. In the third, and last part of the course we will discuss how to build and integrate distributed applications using Web services.

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- Tutor(s)
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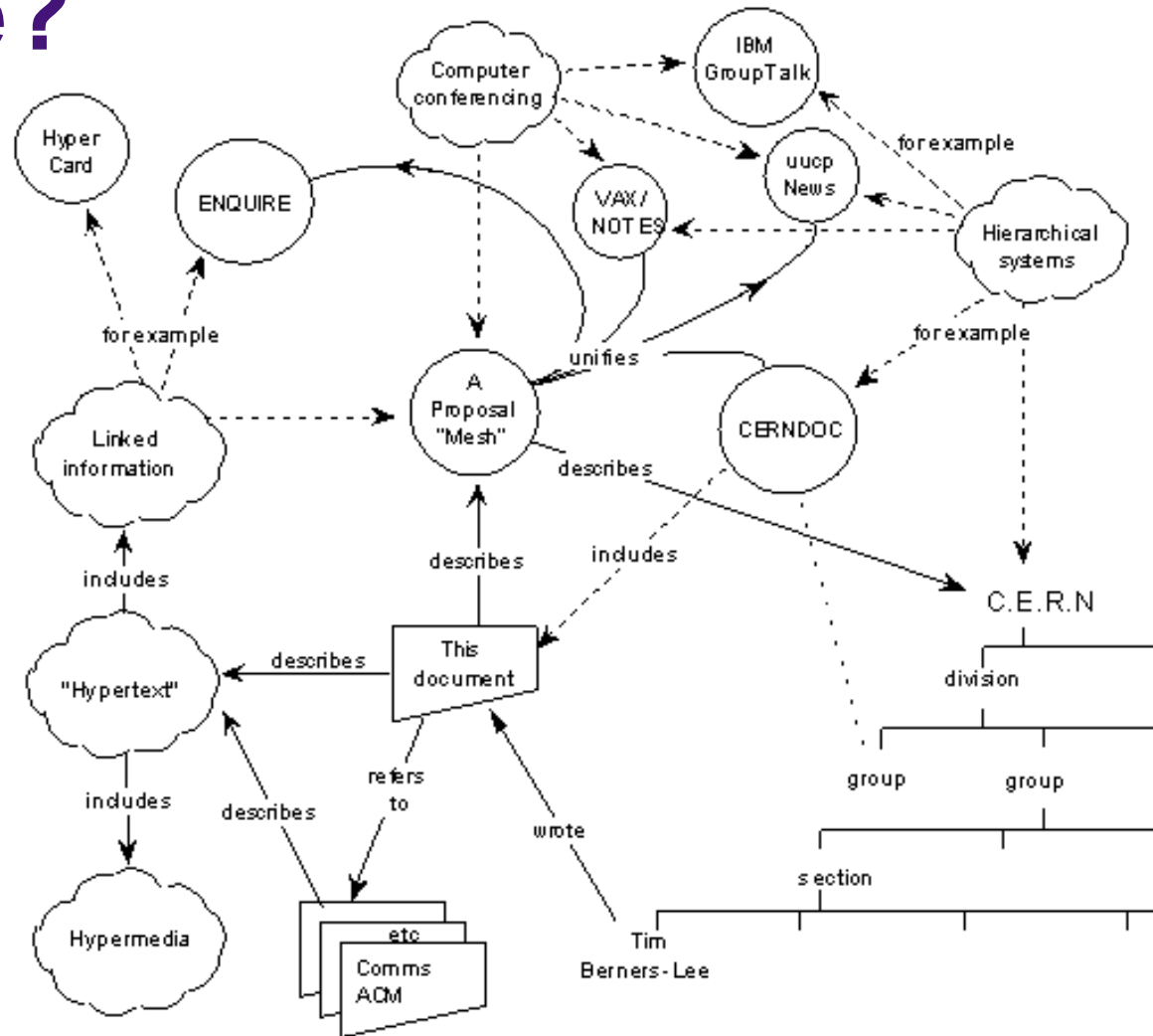
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Was the Web meant to be more?





How to realize Tim's vision

- Another chance for “Artificial Intelligence (AI)”?
 - Knowledge Representation (representing semantics)
 - Logic Programming (reasoning semantics)
- Decisions for:
 - Background logic for semantic web language (RDF, OWL)
 - Description Logic
 - DAPAR + EU = DAML+OIL (in 2001)

AI Influence



- Too much AI
 - Ontologies are too heavy
 - Too many axioms, complicated rules, concepts and relationships
 - Things are too formal
 - Too many formal logic, logic reasoning,
 - Knowledge base, expert system

Ontology or Oncology?



- Struggle to form a community
 - EU funding – ontoweb project (<http://cordis.europa.eu/ist/ka3/iaf/projects/ontoweb.htm>)
 - Lay the foundation for the birth of the Semantic Web community
 - Now it is continued as KnowledgeWeb (<http://knowledgeweb.semanticweb.org/semanticportal/sewView/frames.html>)



Slowly we found our stand

- Stand in the scientific community
 - Own international conference (ISWC, ESWC, ASWC)
 - Own journal (JoDS)
 - A research field -- topics in many other major conferences
 - Education
- Chances in Industry
 - Semantic Technology (<http://www.semantic-conference.com/>)
 - Europe



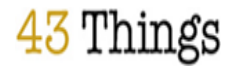
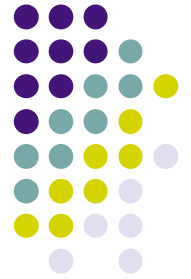
Semantic Web: Now



Social Web – Web 2.0

- The term *Web 2.0* was made popular by Tim O'Reilly:
 - <http://www.oreillynet.com/pub/a/oreilly/tim/news/2005/09/30/what-is-web-20.html>
- http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Web_2.0
 - *“Web 2.0 ... has ... come to refer to what some people describe as a second phase of architecture and application development for the World Wide Web.”*
- The Web where “ordinary” users can meet, collaborate, and share using **social software** applications on the Web (tagged content, social bookmarking, AJAX, etc.)
- Popular examples include:
 - Bebo, del.icio.us, digg, Flickr, Google Maps, Skype, Technorati, orkut, 43 Things, Wikipedia...

Social Networks



A move from the Web to a “social Web”



"On the Internet, nobody knows you're a dog." (A dog, sitting at a computer terminal, talking to another dog.)

ID: 22230, Published in *The New Yorker* July 5, 1993

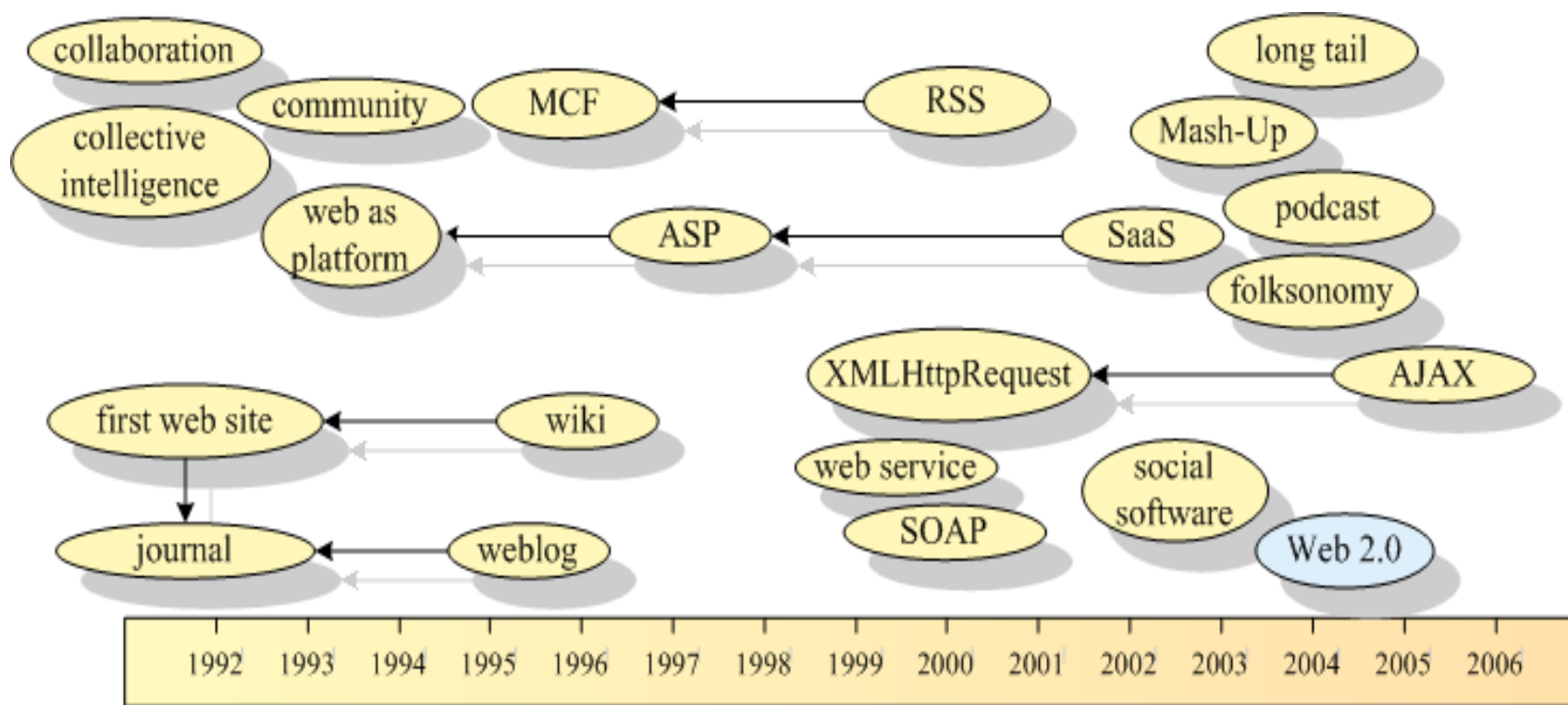


"I had my own blog for a while, but I decided to go back to just pointless, incessant barking." (One dog talking to another.)

ID: 121304, Published in *The New Yorker* September 12, 2005



When did Web 2.0 appear?



Features / principles of Web 2.0



- <http://www.oreilynet.com/pub/a/oreilly/tim/news/2005/09/30/what-is-web-20.html>

1. The Web as platform
2. Harnessing collective intelligence
3. Data is the next “Intel Inside”
4. Rich user experiences





Web 2.0 meme cloud



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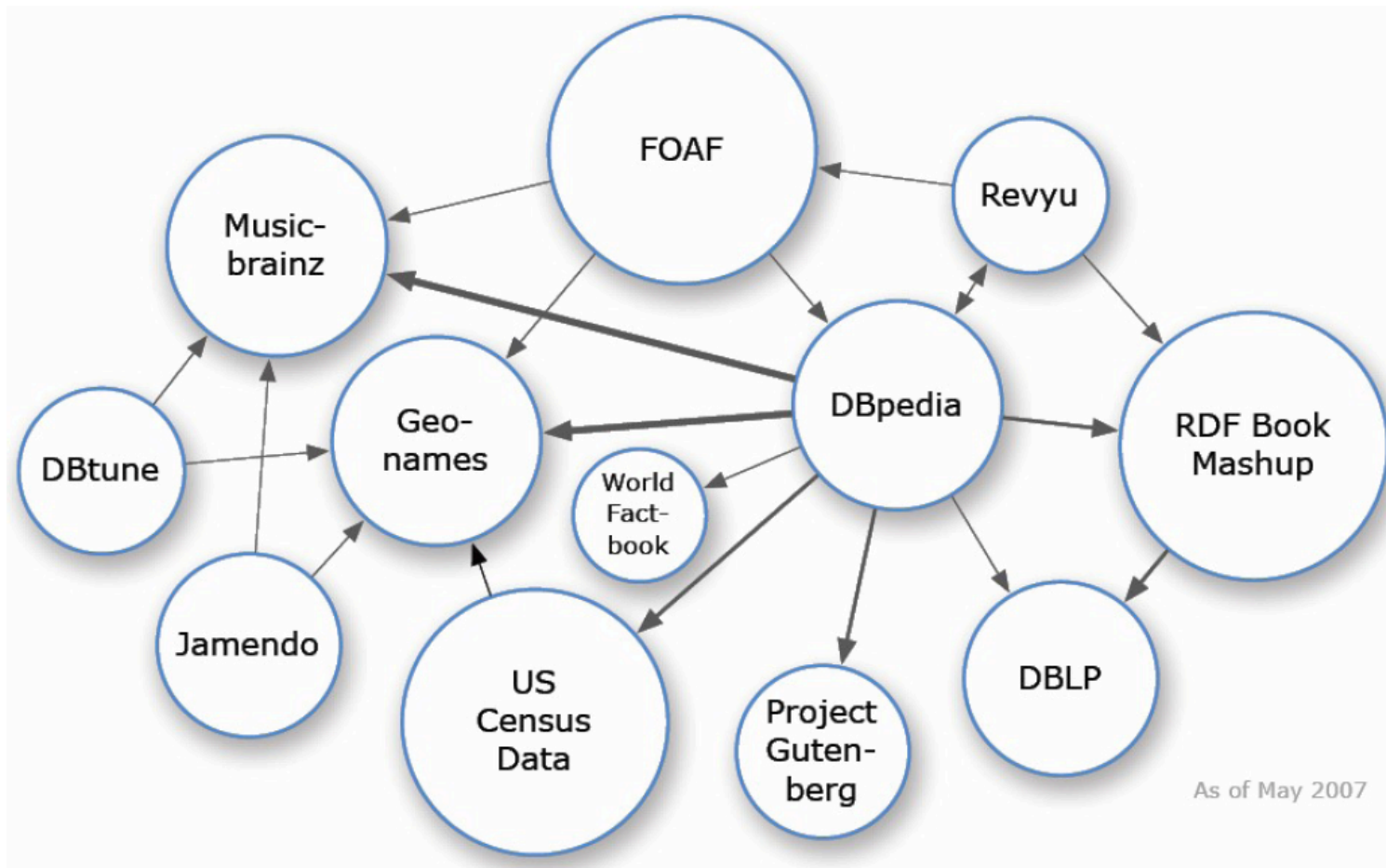
W3C SWEO Linking Open Data Project



- Project aims to
 - Publish existing open license datasets as linked data on the web
 - Interlink things between different data sources
 - Develop clients and applications that consume linked data from the web



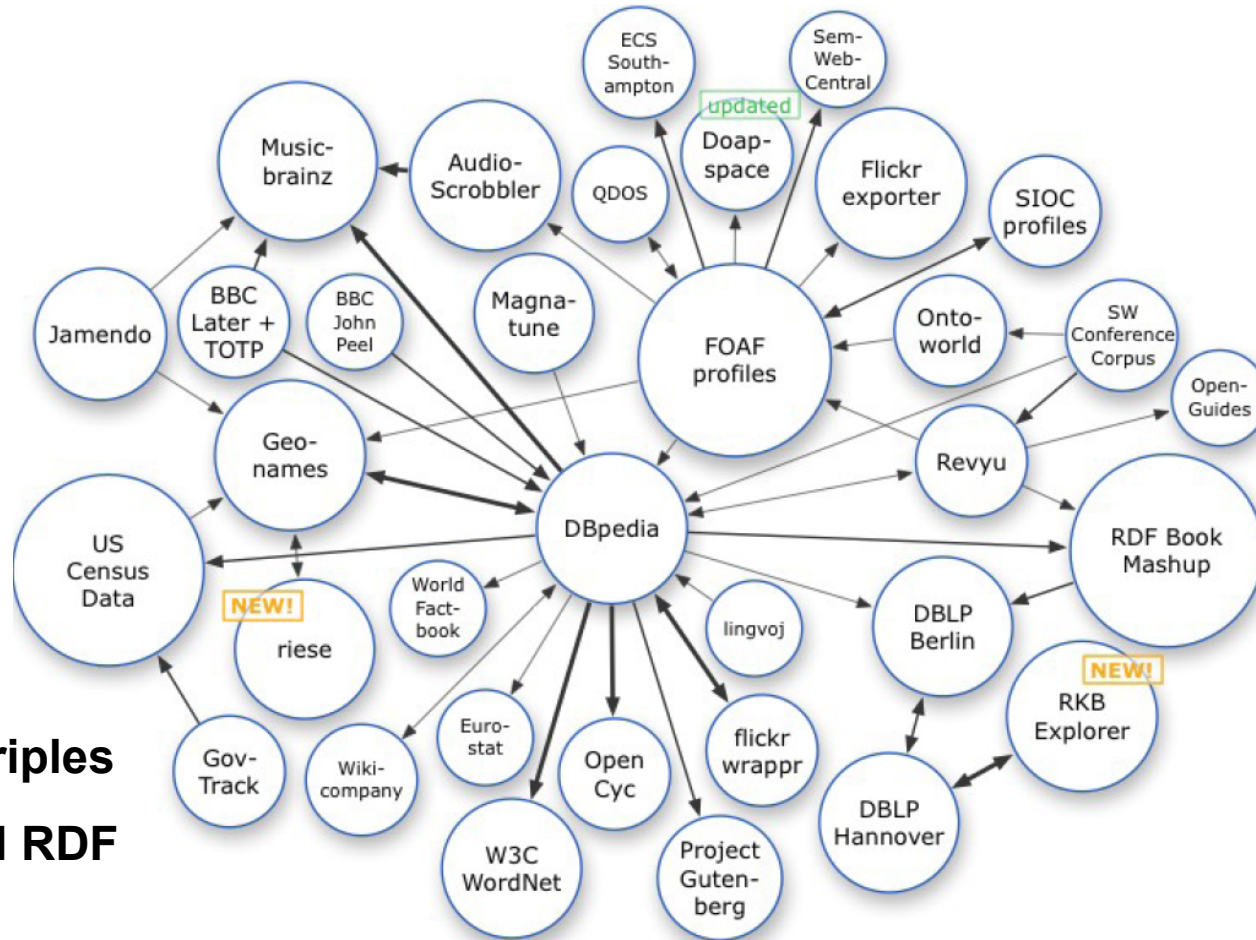
Bubbles in May 2007



Over 500M RDF triples

Around 120K RDF links between data sources

Bubbles in April 2008



>2B RDF triples

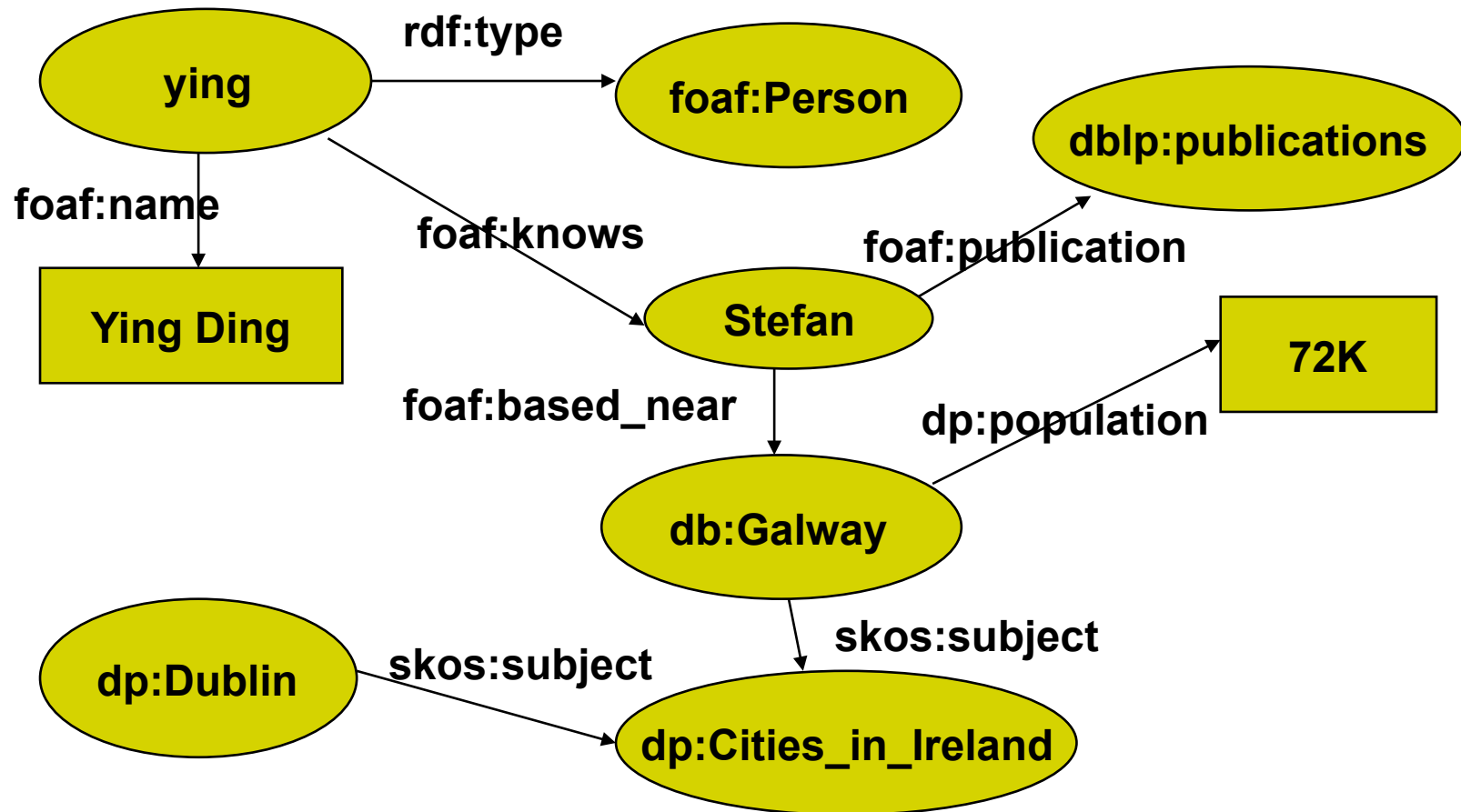
Around 3M RDF links

Organization participating in the LOD community



- Academic
 - MIT, Univ Southampton, DERI, Open Univ, Univ London, Univ Hannover, Penn State Univ, Univ Leipzig, Univ Karlsruhe, Joanneum (AT), Free Univ Berlin, Cyc, SouthEast Univ (CN), ...
- Commercial
 - BBC, OpenLink, Talis, Zitgist, Garlik, Mondeca, Renault, Boad Interactive

Power of Linked Data

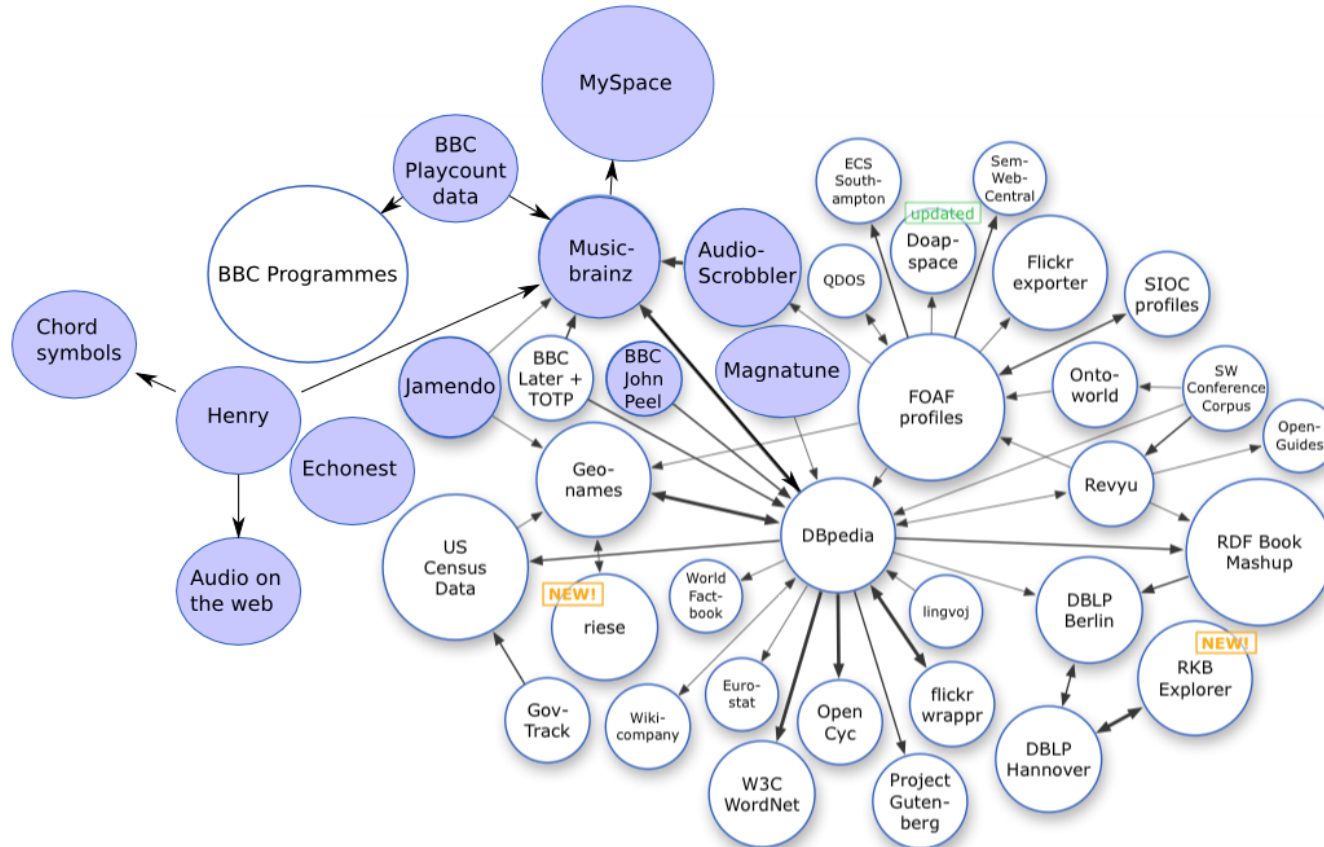




What LOD can bring?

- It will lift current document web up to a data web
- LOD browsers can let you navigate between different data sources by following RDF links.
- It can drill down to the lower granularity of the information
 - allowing you for more fine search on the web
 - making the question-answer search on the Web possible
 - meshing up different data through RDF links
 - Making the built-on-top application easier

DBTune (<http://dbtune.org>)



DBTune



Songbird 0.4 File Edit Controls View Tools Help

Punkteticos
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http://dbtune.org:3050/mazle#4 SR SkreemR

MAZZLE Jamendo (powered by MultimediaNeCulture) SEARCH BROWSE ANONYMOUS USER

Anything

CATEGORIES

- Person
- MusicArtist
- Track
- record
- audio file
- BittorrentItem

EXPLORE

RESULTS Views: local images table map timeline

Property: MusicArtist

Map Satellite Hybrid

The screenshot shows the Songbird application interface. At the top, a music player is active, displaying the track 'Punkteticos' by 'No se ligar / Punkteticos' with a progress bar at 0:09. Below the player is a browser window showing the 'MAZZLE' website, which is powered by Jamendo. The browser address bar shows 'http://dbtune.org:3050/mazle#4'. The website's search bar contains the text 'Anything'. On the left side of the website, there is a 'CATEGORIES' menu with options like 'Person', 'MusicArtist', 'Track', 'record', 'audio file', and 'BittorrentItem'. The 'MusicArtist' category is currently selected. Below the categories is an 'EXPLORE' section. The main content area displays search results in a 'map' view, showing a world map with numerous red location pins. The pins are most densely clustered in Europe and North America, with some scattered pins in South America, Africa, and Asia. The map includes labels for various countries and oceans. The browser's address bar also shows the user is logged in as 'SR SkreemR'.

Industry pick-up



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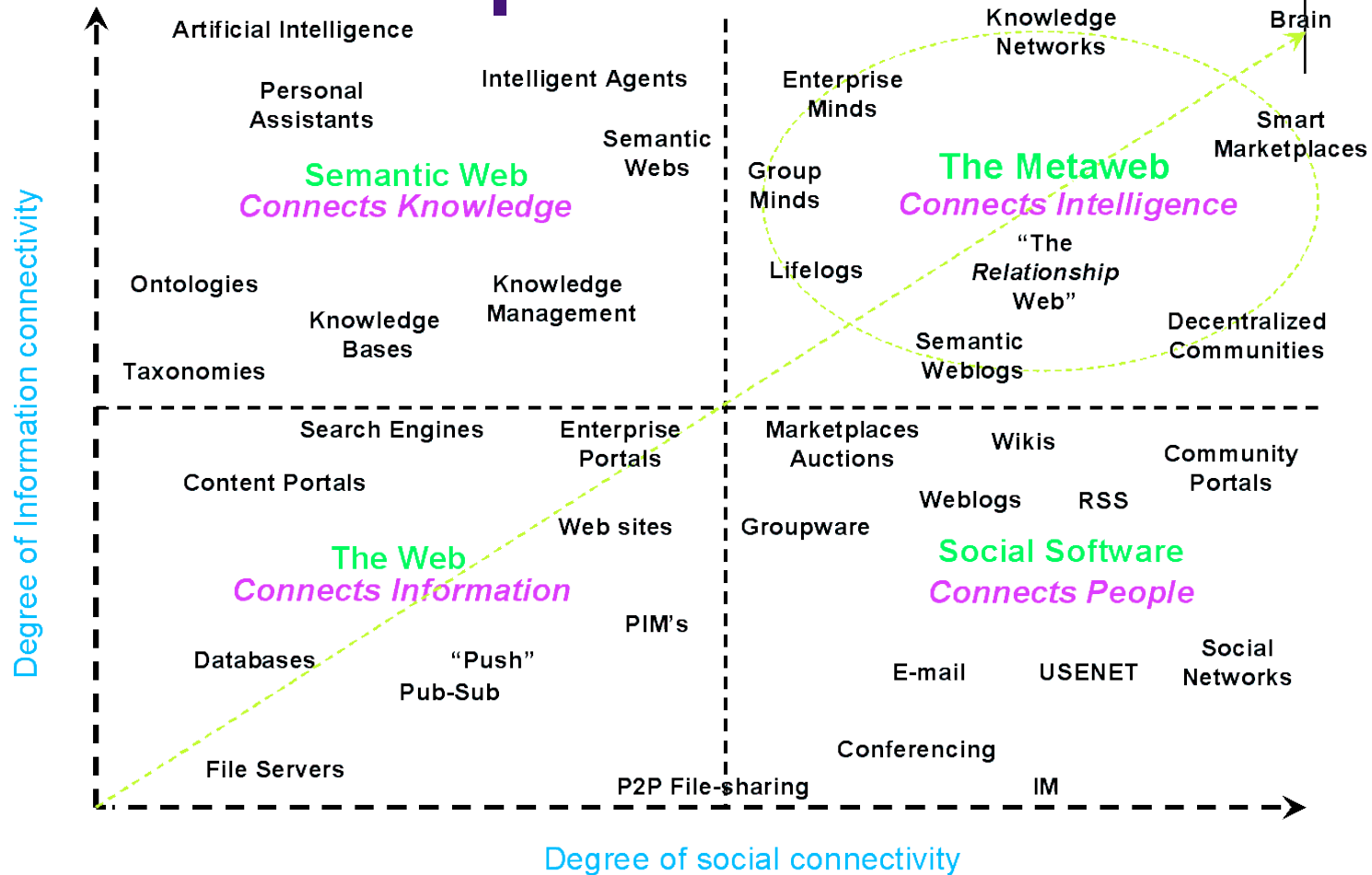
Industry pick-up

- Semantic Technology Conferences – The major industrial conference in semantic web area.
 - Attendance include major IT giants (Google, Yahoo, IBM, Oracle, Intel, Vulcan)
- Rader Networks Company raised \$18M to implement semantics
 - Twine (a collective semantic knowledge space):
<http://www.twine.com/>



Semantic Web: Future

Metaweb = social semantic information spaces



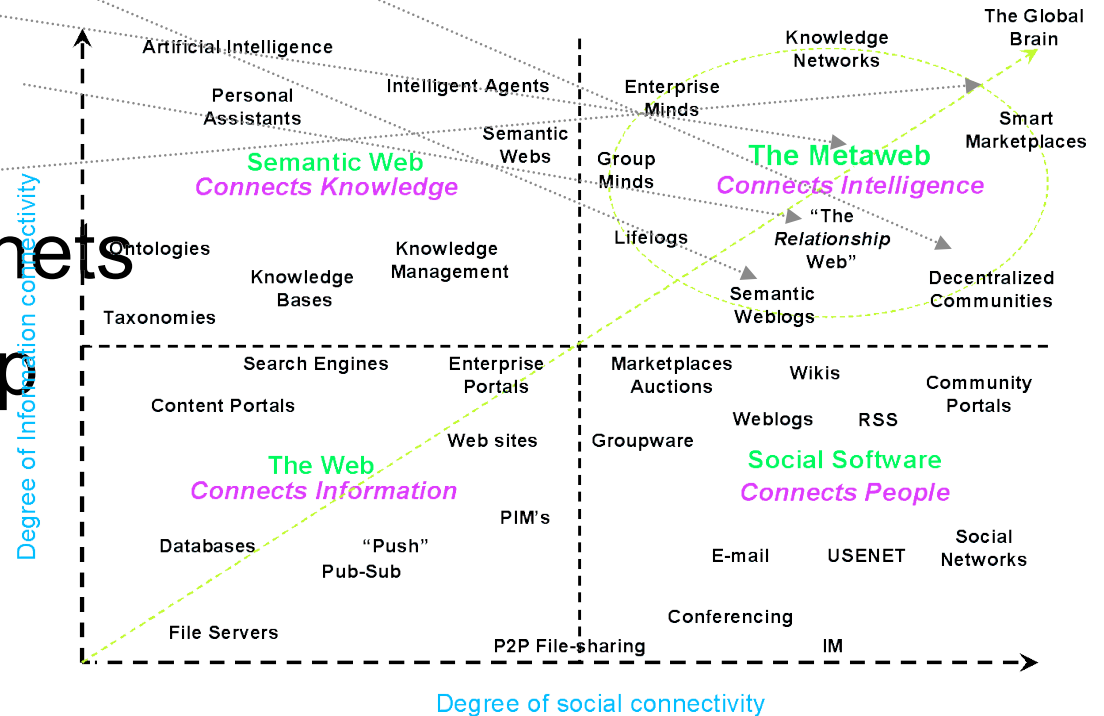
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- Semantic forums
- Semantic blogs
- Semantic wikis
- Semantic social nets
- Semantic desktop

Semantic Web +
social software



The path to Web 3.0 (the Semantic Web)



- The Semantic Web effort is mainly towards producing standards and recommendations that will **interlink data and applications**
- The Web 2.0 is about **providing user applications**
- Not mutually exclusive:
 - http://www.oreillynnet.com/xml/blog/2005/10/is_web_20_killing_the_semantic.html
 - With a little effort, many Web 2.0 applications can and do use Semantic Web technologies to great benefit

Document Web vs. Data Web



- Document Web

- Glued by hyperlinks
- Data are HTML pages
- Query result is HTML pages, which can not be further processed
- Data are just interlinked, but not integrated
- Data access through different APIs

- Data Web

- Glued by RDF links
- Data are RDF triples
- Query result is RDF triples which can be easily further processed (e.g., web services)
- Data are interlinked and integrated, and links are typed
- Data access through a single and standardized access mechanism (maybe it will called in the future LOD API?)



Web 3.0

Social Web + Semantic Web →
Next generation Web

Document Web → Data Web →
Service Web



Will Google 2.0 be Semantic?

- Google could be superseded, says web inventor:

- TimesOnline:

http://technology.timesonline.co.uk/tol/news/tech_and_web/article3532832.ece

- Google 2.0 embraces Semantic Web

- Government Computer News:

http://www.gcn.com/online/vol1_no1/44290-1.html#

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