

Representing multilingual lexical and terminological information in RDF vocabularies

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- Representing lexica (a quick overview)
 - RDF(S), OWL
 - SKOS, SKOS-XL
 - LMF
 - ...
- *lemon*
 - Main features
 - *lemon* core
 - Representing lexical variants, terminological variants and translations
 - Tools
- W3C Ontology Lexica Community Group

RDF(S), OWL

dct:Abstract  “Abstract”@en

RDF(S), OWL Example

Inferred class hierarchy

Asserted class hierarchy

Asserted class hierarchy: Río

Annotations: Río

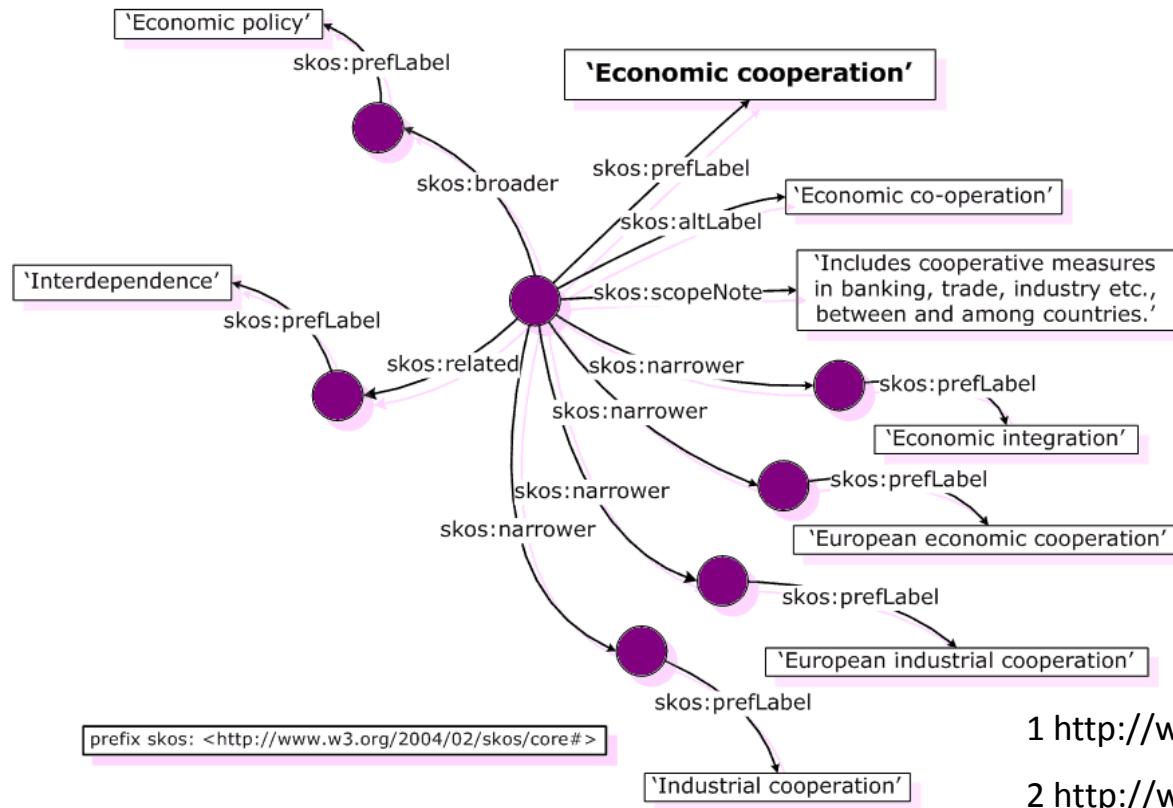
Annotations:

- source**: "Water Framework Directive. European Union"@en
- provenance**: "River - Water Framework Directive. European Union"@en
- provenance**: "Curso de agua principal - Catalogo de fenomenos. Proyecto GEOALEX"@es
- provenance**: "Río - Directiva Marco del Agua. Union Europea"@es
- comment**: "A body of inland water flowing for the most part on the surface of the land but which may flow underground for part of its course."@en
- comment**: "Masa de agua continental que fluye en su mayor parte sobre la superficie del suelo, pero que puede fluir bajo tierra en parte de su curso"@es
- label**: "River"@en
- label**: "Curso de agua principal"@es
- label**: "Curso fluvial"@es

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- SKOS—Simple Knowledge Organization System— model for expressing the basic structure and content of concept schemes such as **thesauri, classification schemes, subject heading lists, taxonomies, folksonomies**, and other similar types of controlled vocabulary¹.



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1 <http://www.w3.org/2004/02/skos/specs>

2 <http://www.mkbergman.com/date/2007/05/>

RDF(S), OWL

dct:creator

rdfs:label

“Creator”@en



rdfs:SubPropertyOf

SKOS

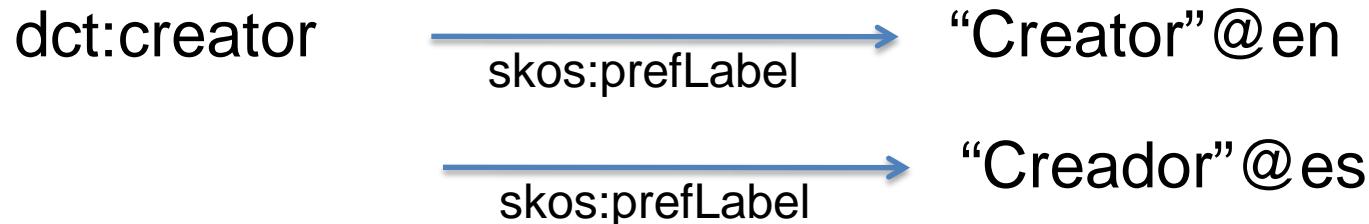
dct:creator

skos:prefLabel

“Creator”@en

SKOS labels: prefLabel, altLabel & hiddenLabel.

SKOS enables a simple form of **multilingual labeling**:



```
dct:creator rdf:type rdfs:Property;
    skos:prefLabel "creator"@en;
    skos:prefLabel "creador"@es.
```

How can we create **explicit links** between labels?

What if we need to define **two preferred labels** in the same language?

SKOS-XL

dct:creator



skosxl:prefLabel

dct:CreatorLabel

rdf:type

skosxl:Label

skosxl:literalForm

“Creator”@en

class

SKOS-XL

dct:creator



skosxl:prefLabel

skosxl:Label

rdf:type

dct:CreatorLabel1

skosxl:literalForm

“Creator”@en

skosxl:labelRelation



rdfs:subPropertyOf

ex:isTranslationOf

ex:isTranslationOf

“Creator”@es

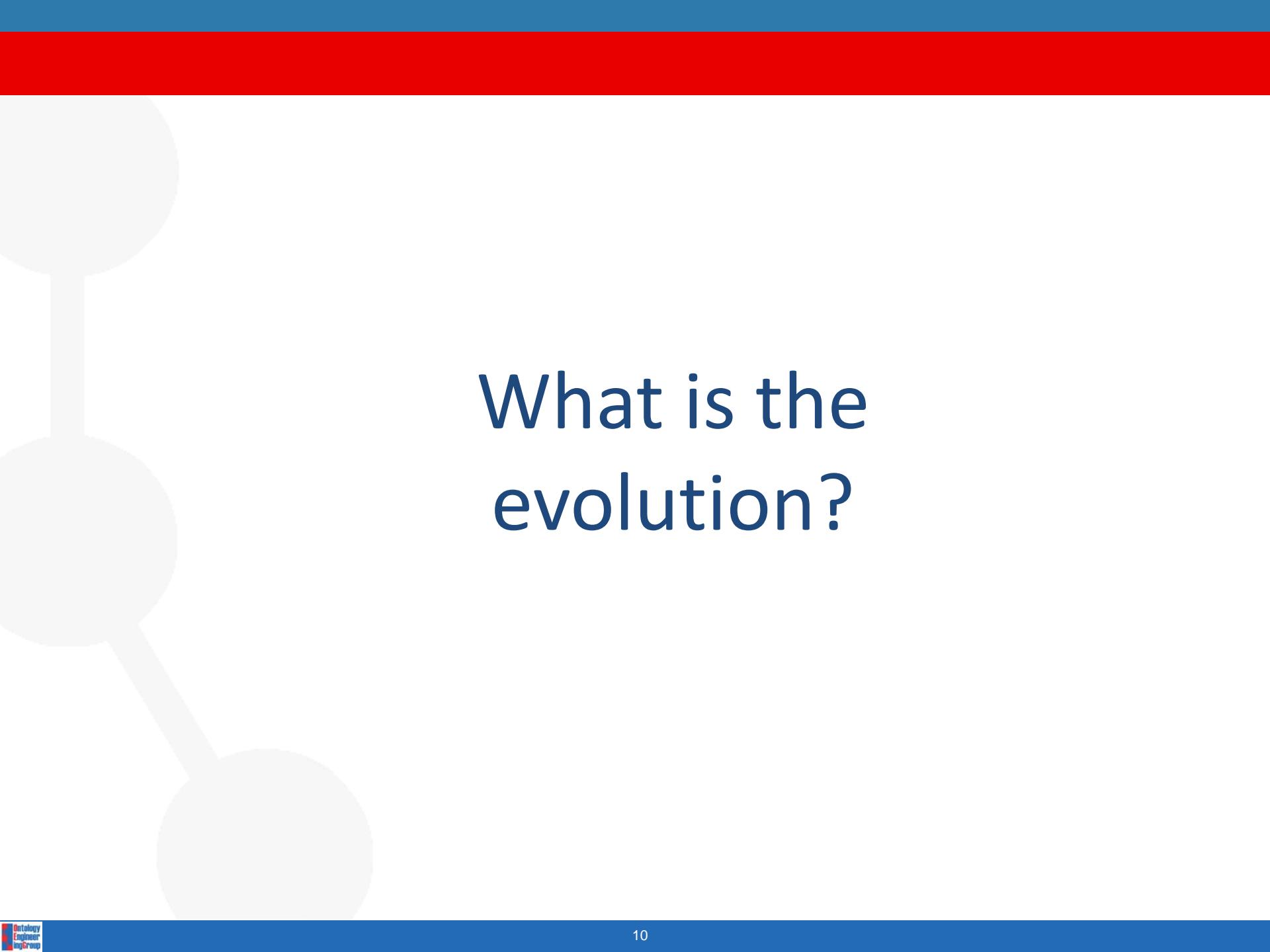
skosxl:literalForm

dct:Creator2

rdf:type

skosxl:Label

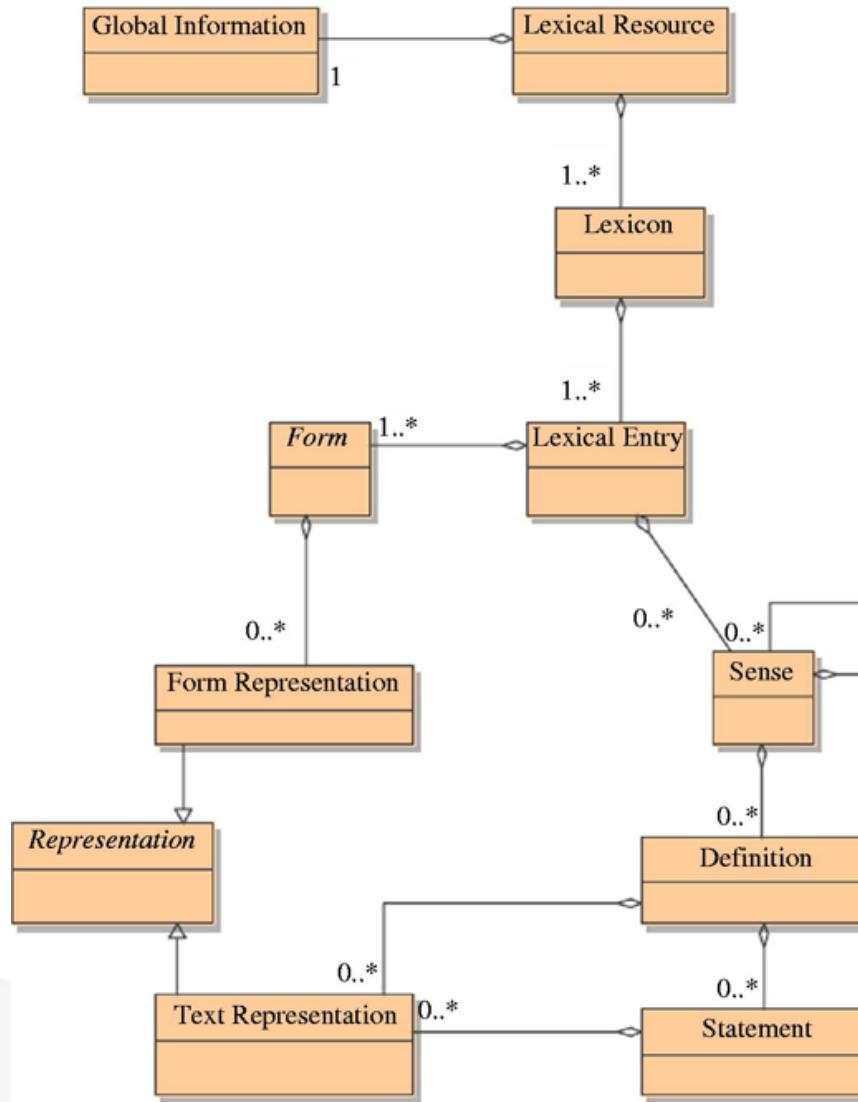
skosxl:prefLabel



What is the evolution?

LMF

Lexical markup framework



Source: ISO/TC 37/SC 4 N453 (2008)

- SKOS
 - Limited for richer linguistic descriptions
- LMF
 - Conceptualisation not ontology-driven
 - Not RDF-native
 - Some data categories hidden inside literal values
- LingInfo, LIR (Linguistic Information Repository), LexInfo, LexOnto...



An RDF-based lexicon model for ontologies

- Main features:

- Semantics by **reference**
- Rich **lexical and terminological** description of ontology elements
- **Concise** (i.e., trade off between complexity and expressivity)
- **Descriptive** not prescriptive (i.e., uses data categories) →
- **Modular** and extensible



Details in **lemon cookbook**: <http://lexinfo.net/lemon-cookbook.pdf>

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- Terminology
 - Terminology
 - Abbreviations_Test1
 - NewProposals
 - TB: (3)
 - Multilingual
 - Lexical

Terminology

#	Name	Version	Administration stat	Registration status	Check	Type
329	abbreviated form	1:0	private	private	✓	simple
64	abbreviated form for	1:0	private	private	✓	open
331	abbreviation	1:0	private	private	✓	simple
65	abbreviationfor	1:0	private	private	✓	open
334	acronym	1:0	private	private	✓	simple
66	acronym for	1:0	private	private	✓	open
1230	adjective	1:0	private	private	✓	simple
67	adjective class	1:0	private	private	✓	closed
70	administrative status	1:0	private	private	✓	closed

► ISOcat recommends linking using
the `dcr:datcat` property

- i.e., Create a property
`mylexicon:partOfSpeech`.
- Add triple relation to ISOcat
identifier, e.g., DC - 396

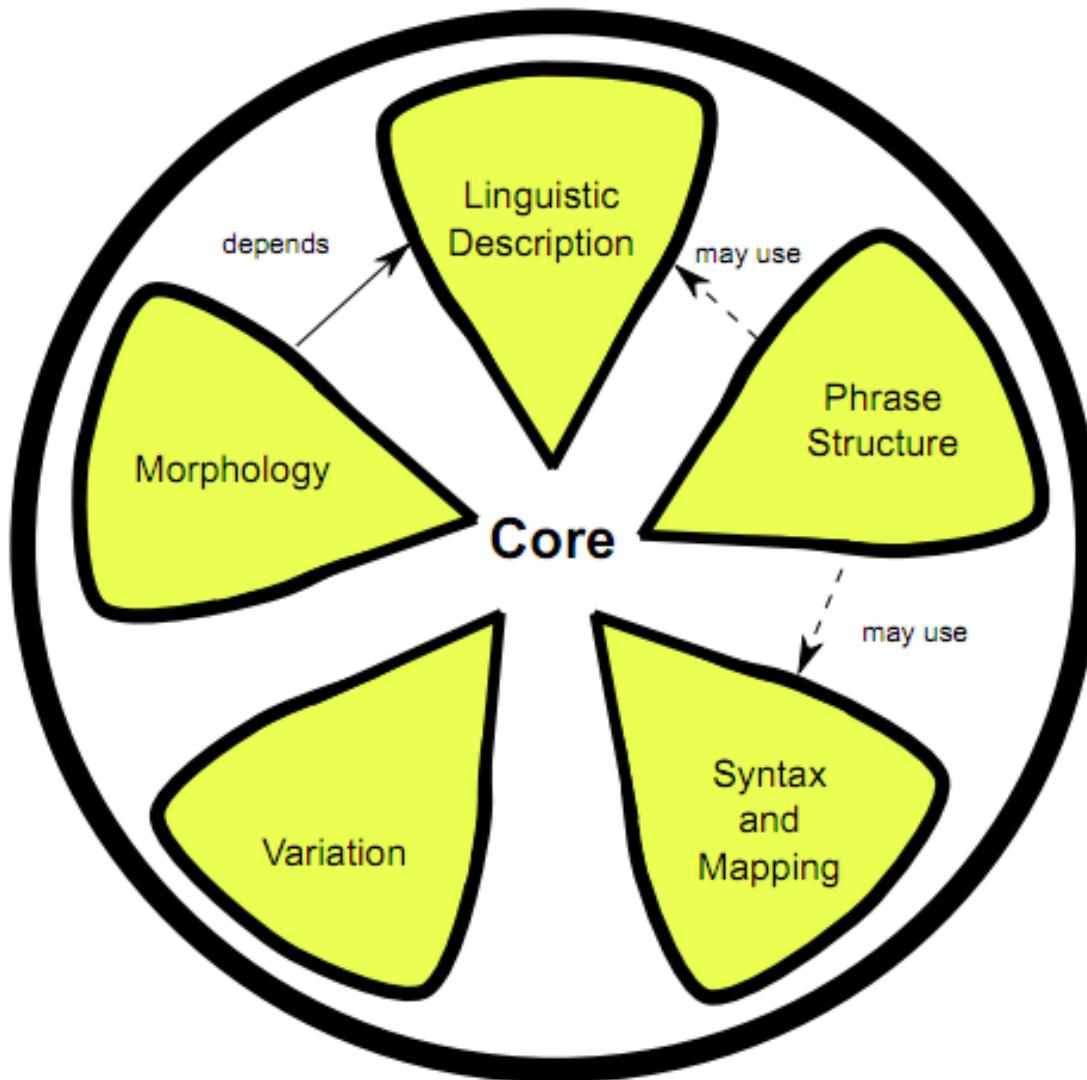


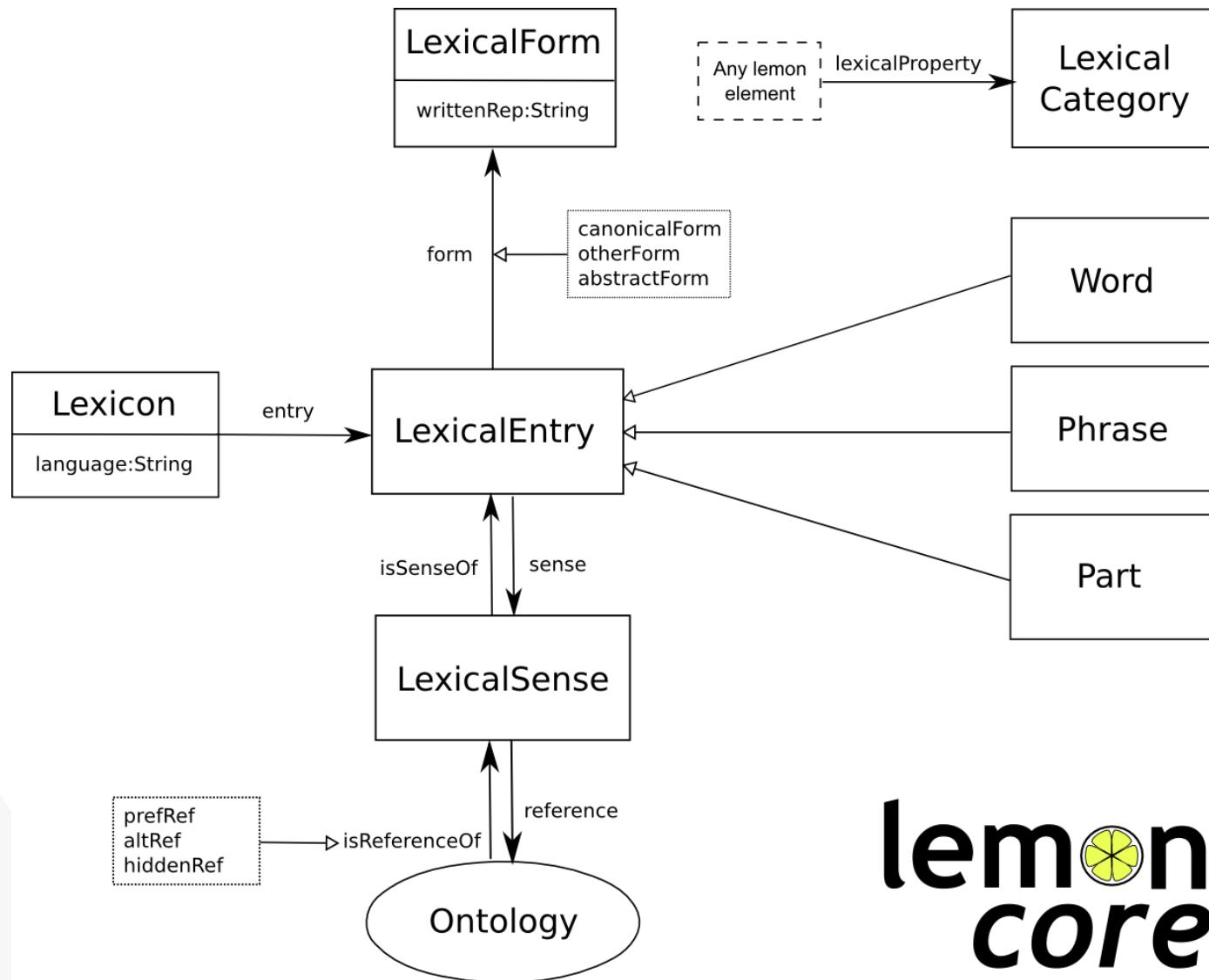
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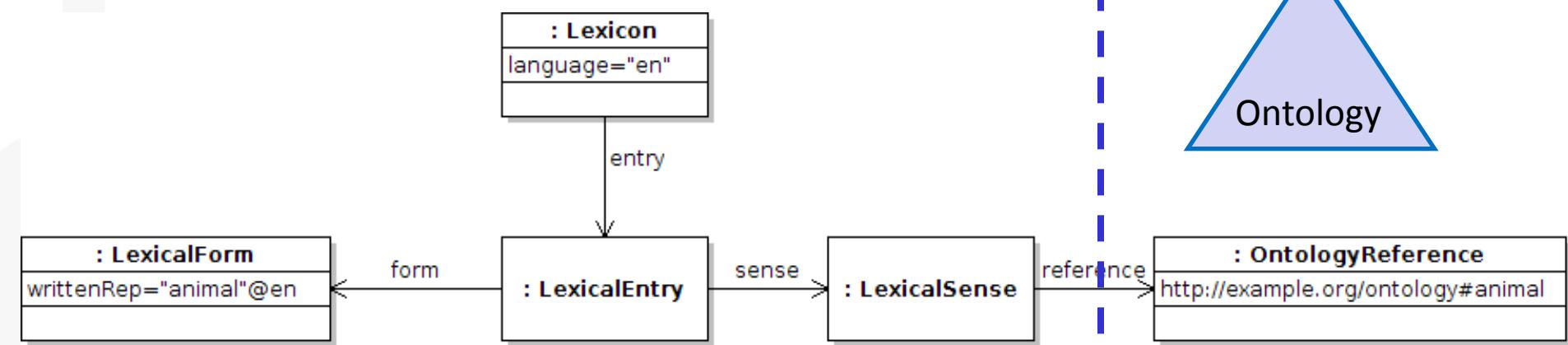


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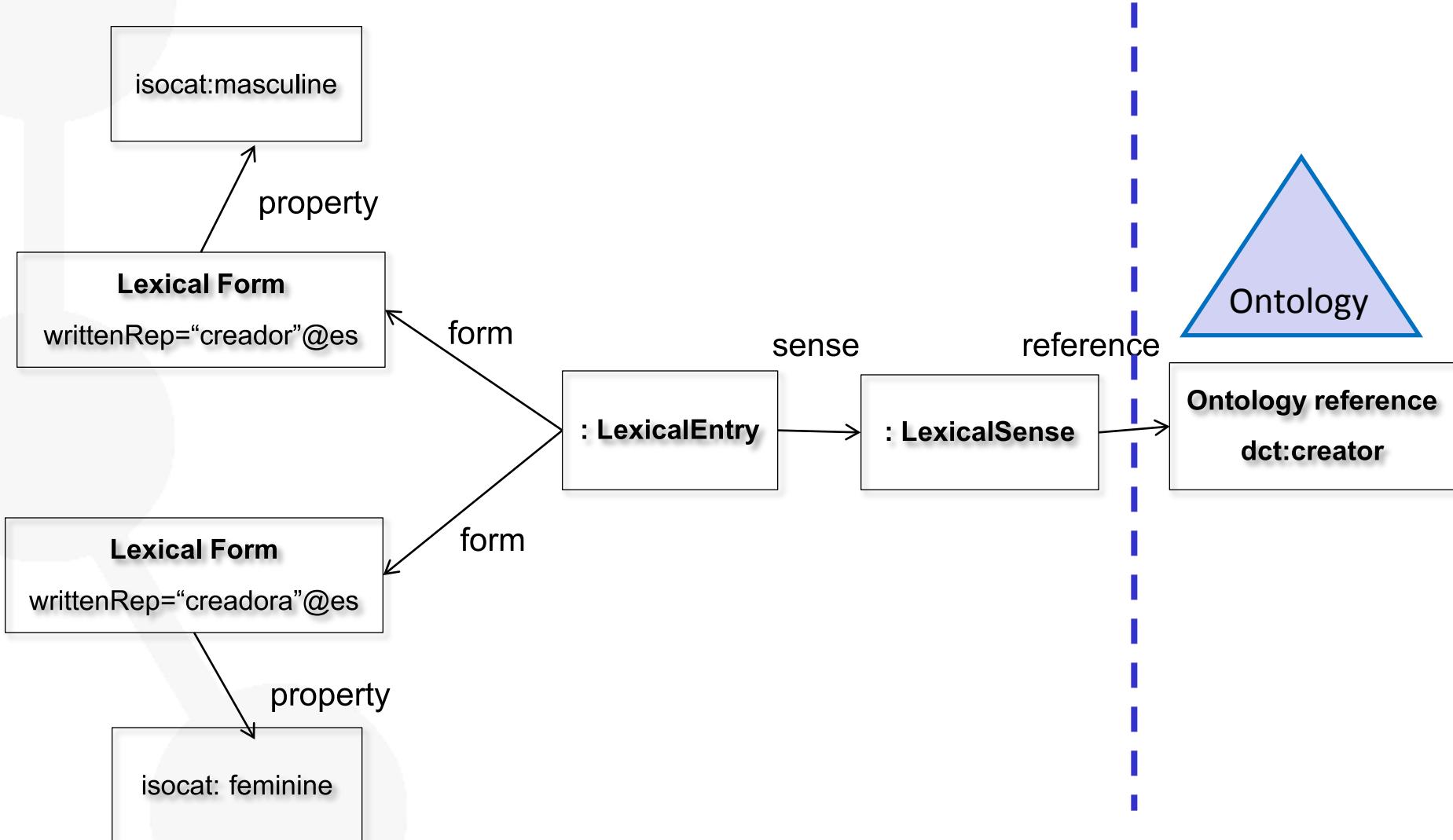




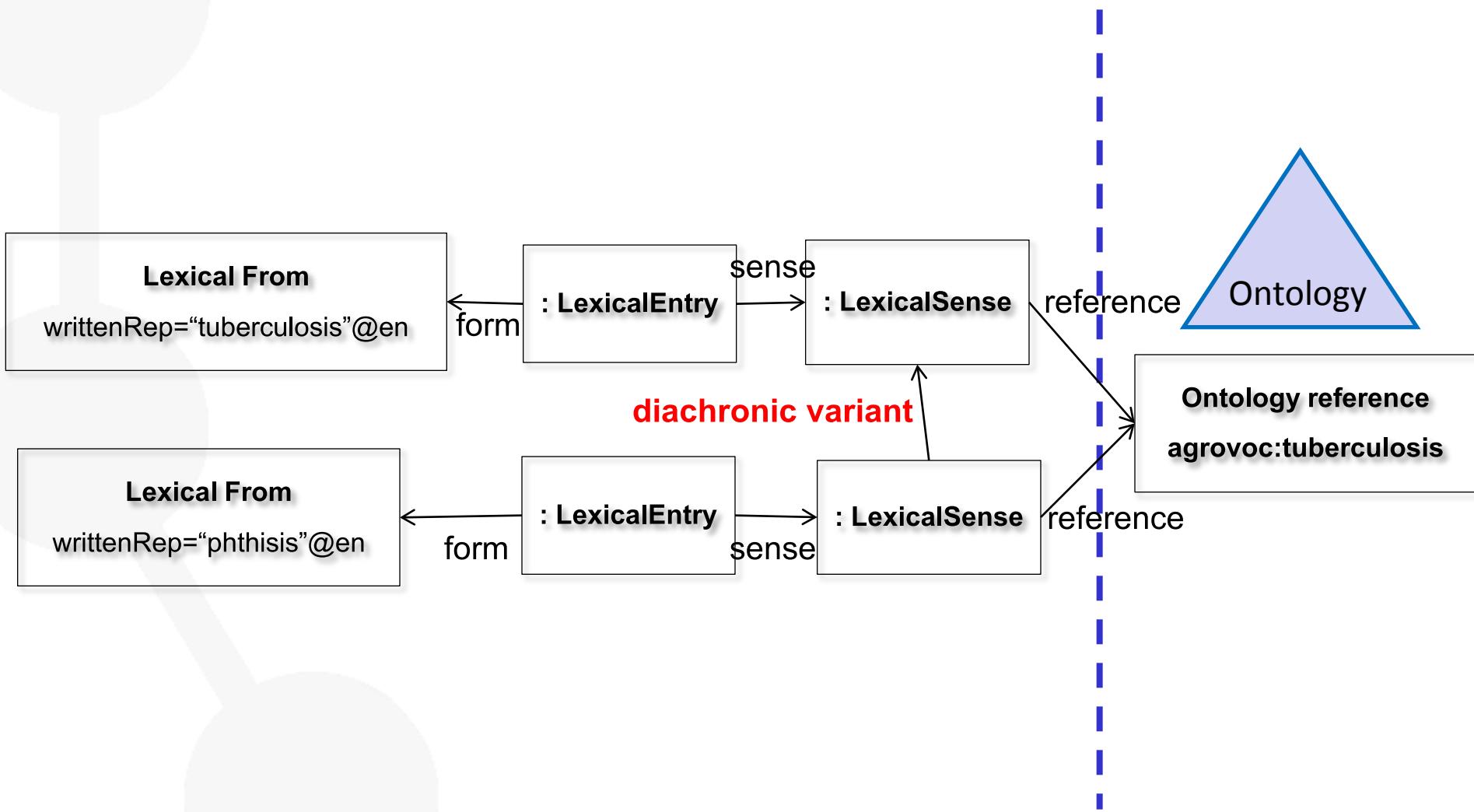
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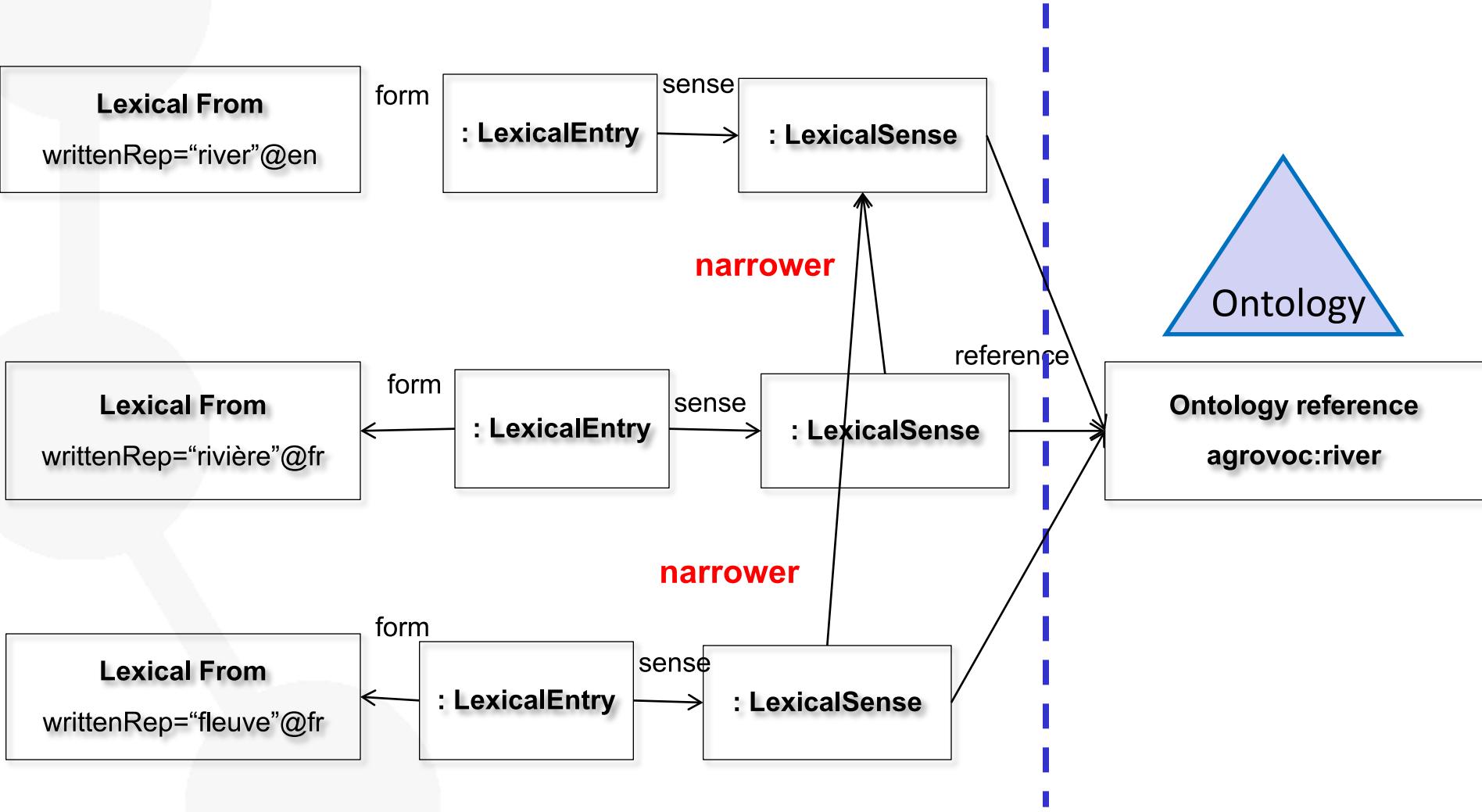
Lexical variants



Terminological variants



Translations





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Lexica

author_noun

Instance of: [lemon:LexicalEntry](#)

Property	Value
ns1:partOfSpeech	lexinfo:commonNoun
lemon:canonicalForm	<i>canonicalForm</i>
rdf:type	lemon:Form
lemon:writtenRep	+ “author”
lemon:sense	<i>sense</i>
rdf:type	lemon:LexicalSense
lemon:isA	<i>subject</i>
rdf:type	lemon:Argument
lemon:reference	http://dbpedia.org/ontology/Author
lemon:sense1	
rdf:type	lemon:LexicalSense
lemon:objOfProp	<i>adpositionalObject</i>
rdf:type	lemon:Argument
lemon:reference	http://dbpedia.org/ontology/writer
lemon:subjOfProp	<i>subject1</i>



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The mission of the Ontology-Lexicon community group is to: (1) Develop models for the representation of lexica (and machine readable dictionaries) relative to ontologies. These lexicon models are intended to represent lexical entries containing information about how ontology elements (classes, properties, individuals etc.) are realized in multiple languages. In addition, the lexical entries contain appropriate linguistic (syntactic, morphological, semantic and pragmatic) information that constrains the usage of the entry. (2) Demonstrate the added value of representing lexica on the Semantic Web, in particularly focusing on how the use of linked data principles can allow for the re-use of existing linguistic information from resource such as WordNet. (3) Provide best practices for the use of linguistic data categories in combination with lexica. (4) Demonstrate that the creation of such lexica in combination with the semantics contained in ontologies can improve the performance of NLP tools. (5) Bring together people working on standards for representing linguistic information (syntactic, morphological, semantic and pragmatic) building on existing initiatives, and identifying collaboration tracks for the future. (6) Cater for interoperability among existing models to represent and structure linguistic information. (7) Demonstrate the added value of applications relying on the use of the combination of lexica and ontologies.

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- Monthly telcos
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