



This photo of Ryoanji Temple is courtesy of TripAdvisor.

How many rocks of  
Ryōn-ji's Zen garden  
can be seen from any  
place?  
Only 14, but there  
are 15 rocks! What  
does it mean?



## Vocabulary Broker application connecting data, information and literature across various scientific domains

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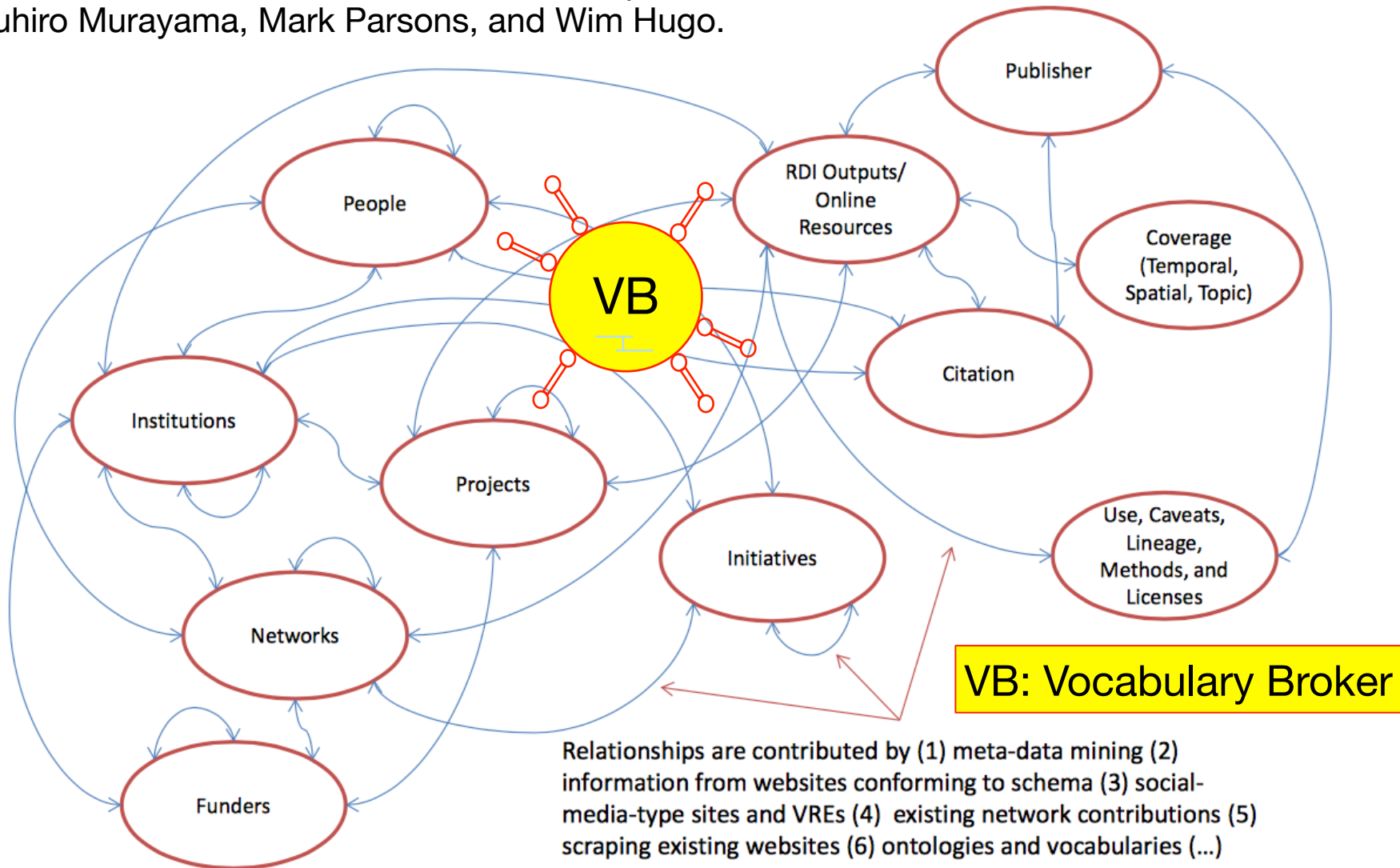
# Source: ICSU-WDS Knowledge Network Concept

<https://www.icsu-wds.org/files/wds-knowledge-network-concept-summary.pdf>

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# Open Semantic Framework (OSF)

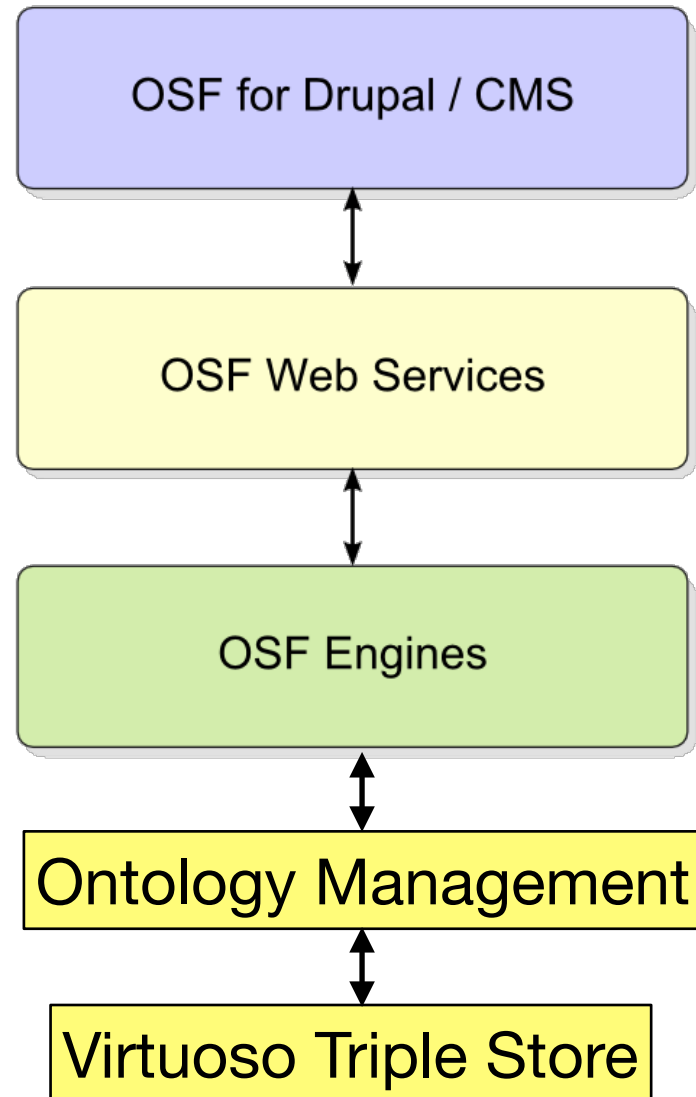
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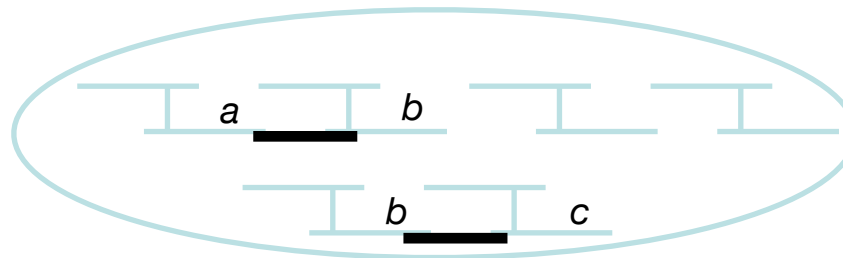
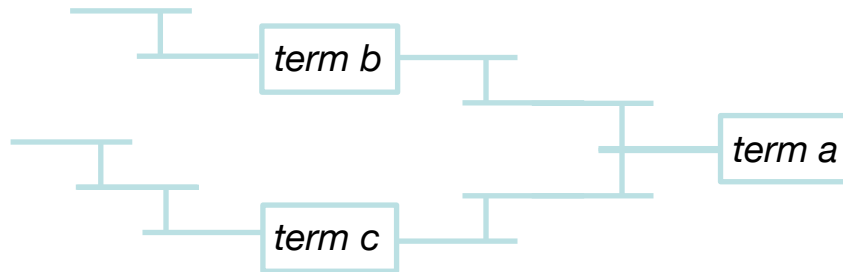
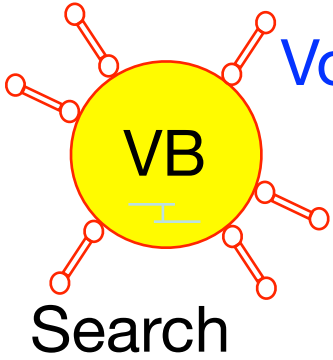
## Web-oriented architecture

- Data is generally exposed/open and universally available as [linked data](#)
- [SPARQL endpoints](#) and APIs are generally [RESTful](#) in design
- The overall architecture is modular, with inherent decentralized and distributed aspects
- All display and visualization aspects are cross-browser ready and capable.

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<http://structureddynamics.com/index.php>  
<http://fgiasson.com/blog/>



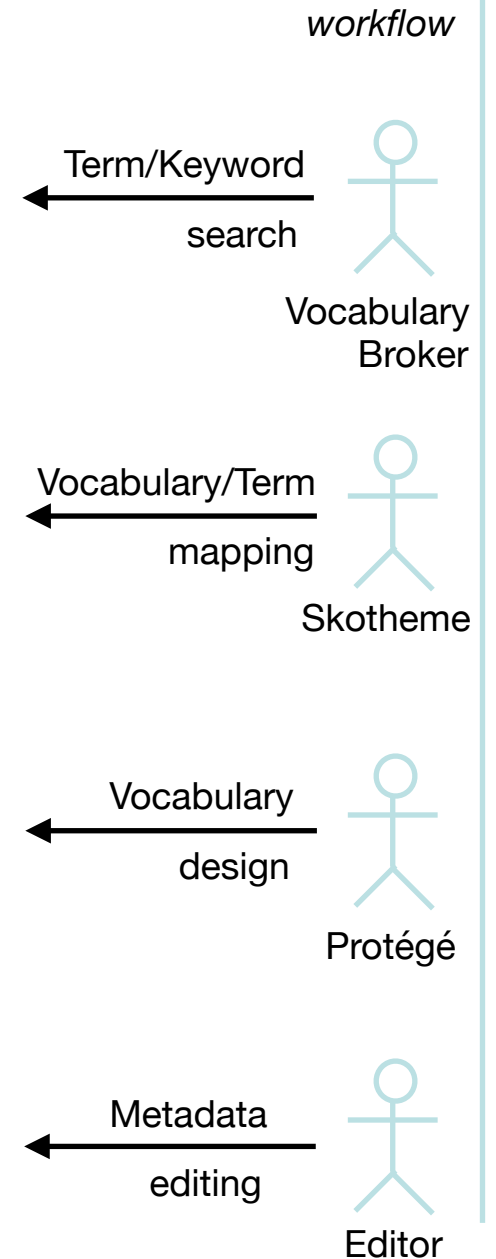
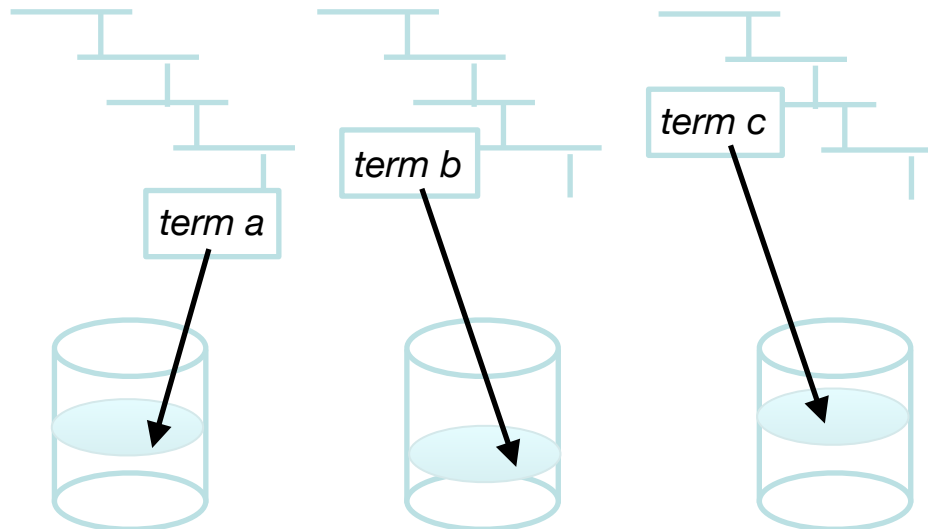
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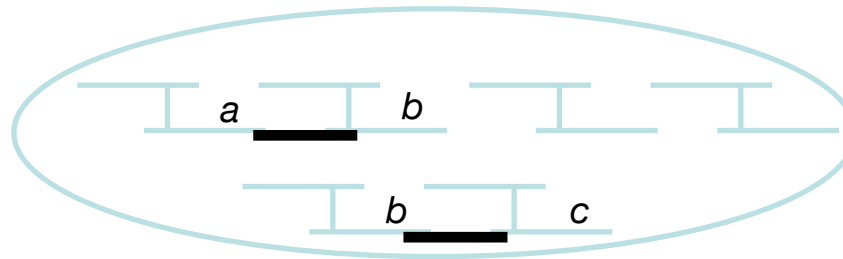
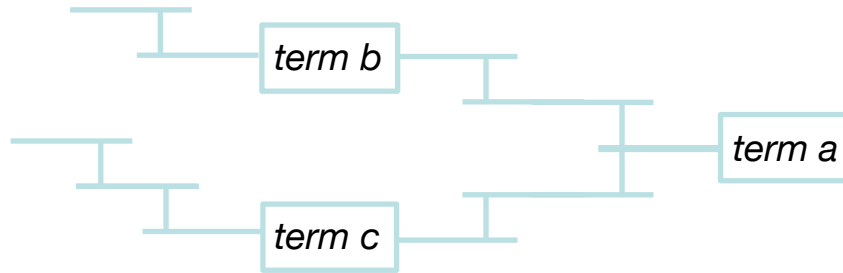
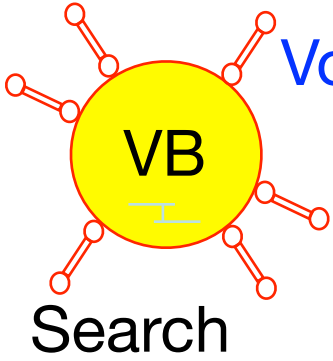
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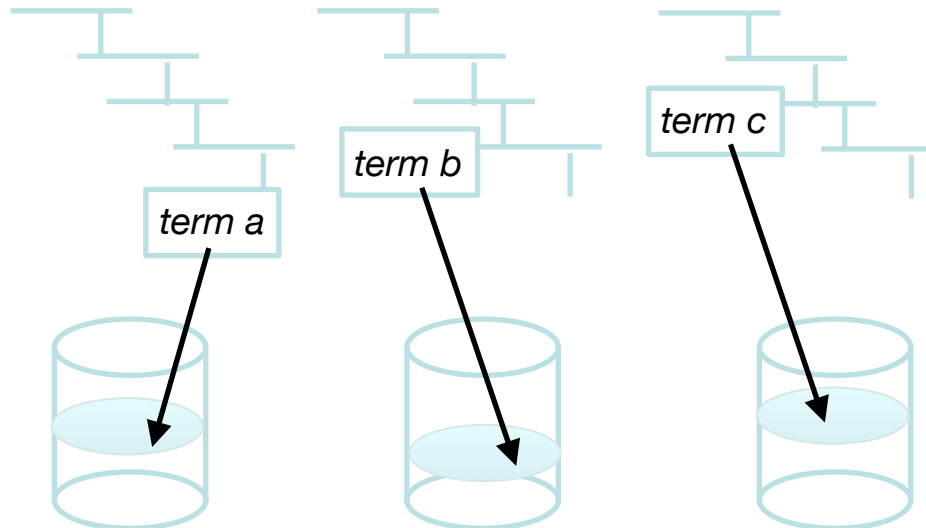




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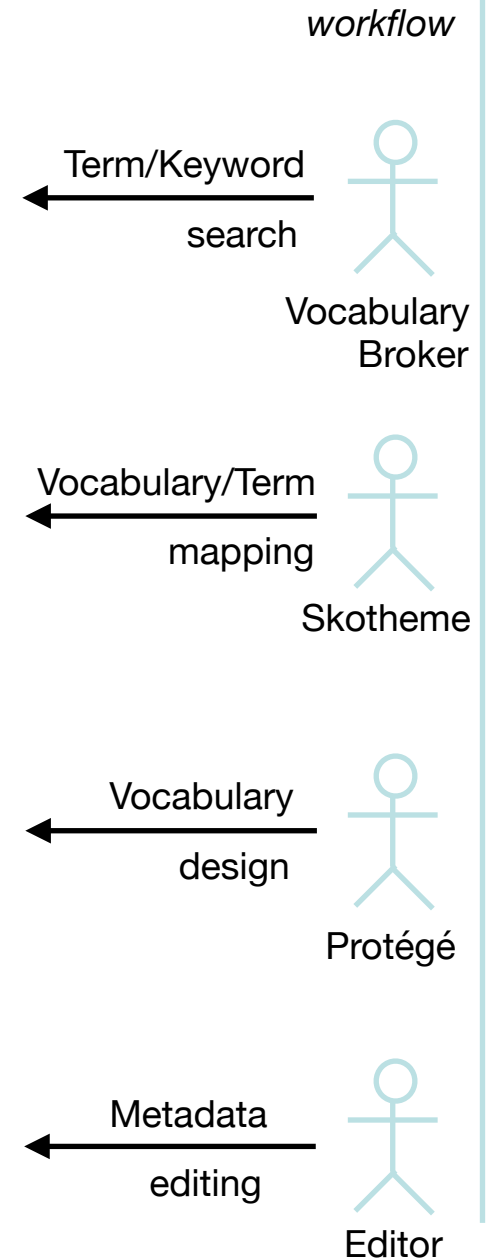


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## Japanese e-science project



### Project

- Inter-university Upper atmosphere Global Observation NETwork\*
- creation of a Metadata DataBase of ground-based observations of the upper atmosphere

### Objectives

## espas EU 7th framework project

### Observed Properties

Filter by

Observed Region

Select Observed Property



### Objectives

- Platform to integrate data from thermosphere, ionosphere, plasmasphere & magnetosphere
- Provide unique access to scientific near-earth space data
- Offer Web-based applications and services

[www.iugonet.org](http://www.iugonet.org)

[www.espas-fp7.eu](http://www.espas-fp7.eu)

## Domain Ontology Merging

- FOAF
- BIBO
- GeoNames
- dbPedia
- SPASE

### Information model & resources

- ISDC ontology network
- Keyword vocabularies
- GFZ RDF+RDB data, LOD data

### Technical implementation

- Drupal CMS, Virtuoso Triple Store
- **Open Semantic Framework OSF**

LOD\*

## GFZ ISDC Drupal 7 proof of concept

D2RQ



### Resources

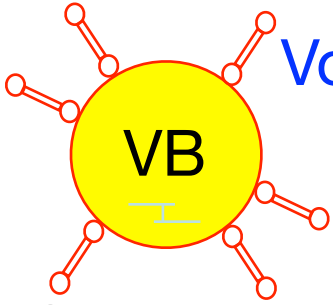
- Geodetic data
- Magnetic field data
- Atmosphere data

## Terminological Ontology Merging

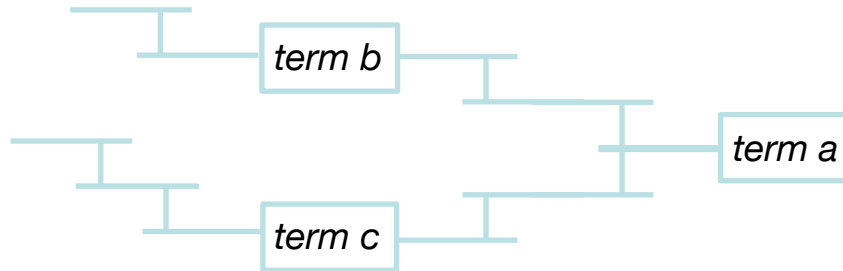
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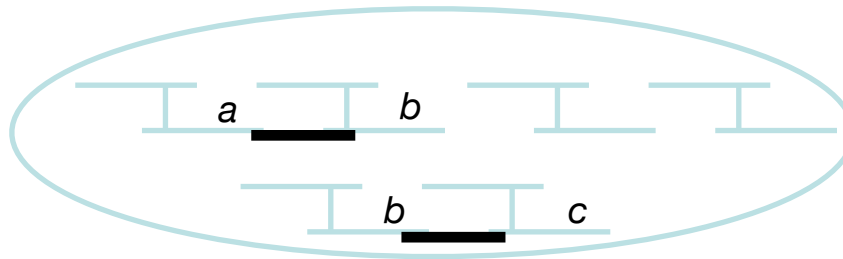
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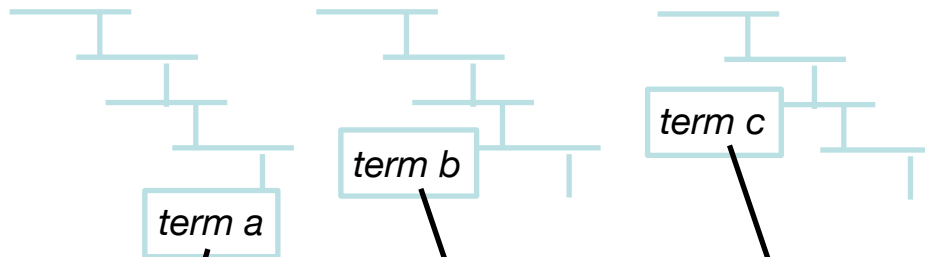
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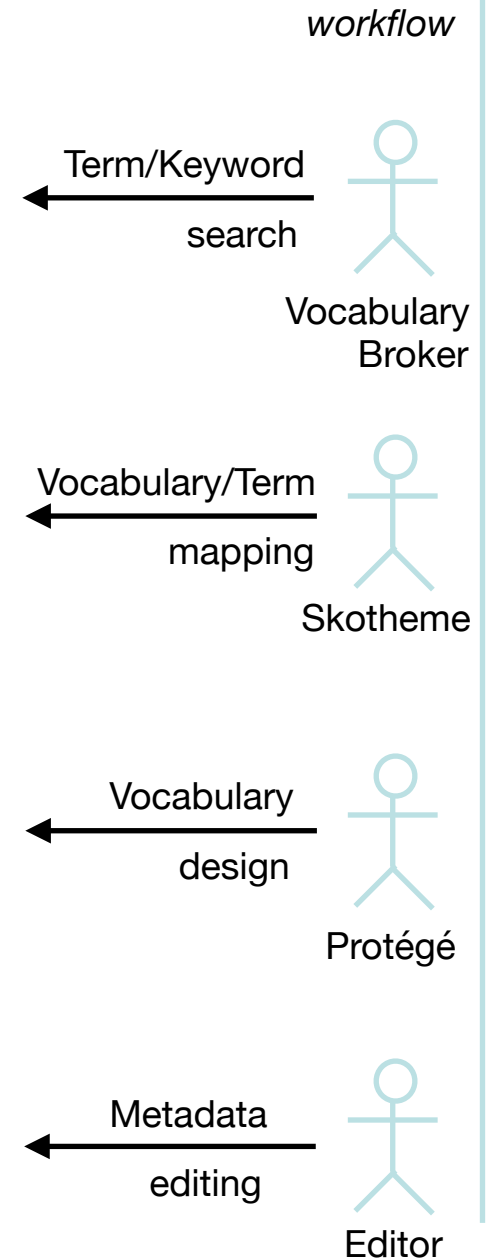
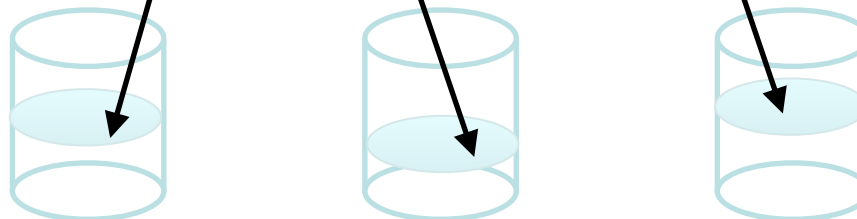
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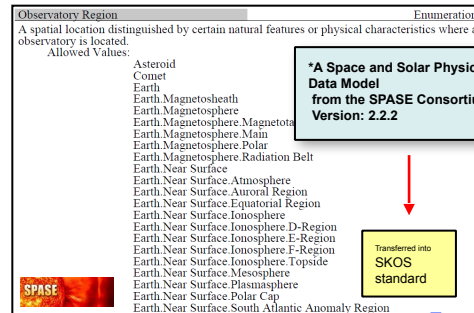
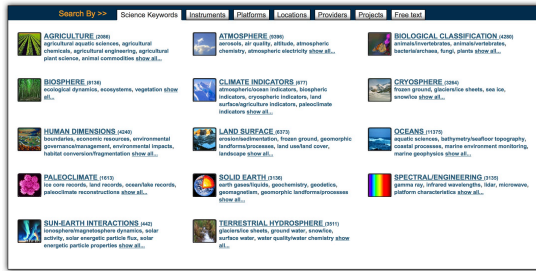
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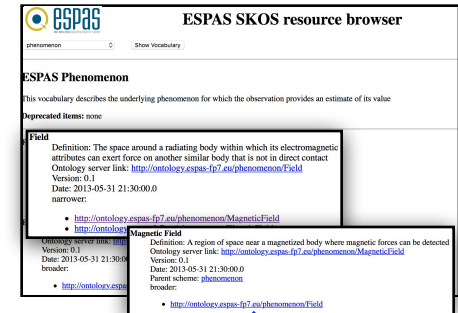


# Managing Terminological Ontologies

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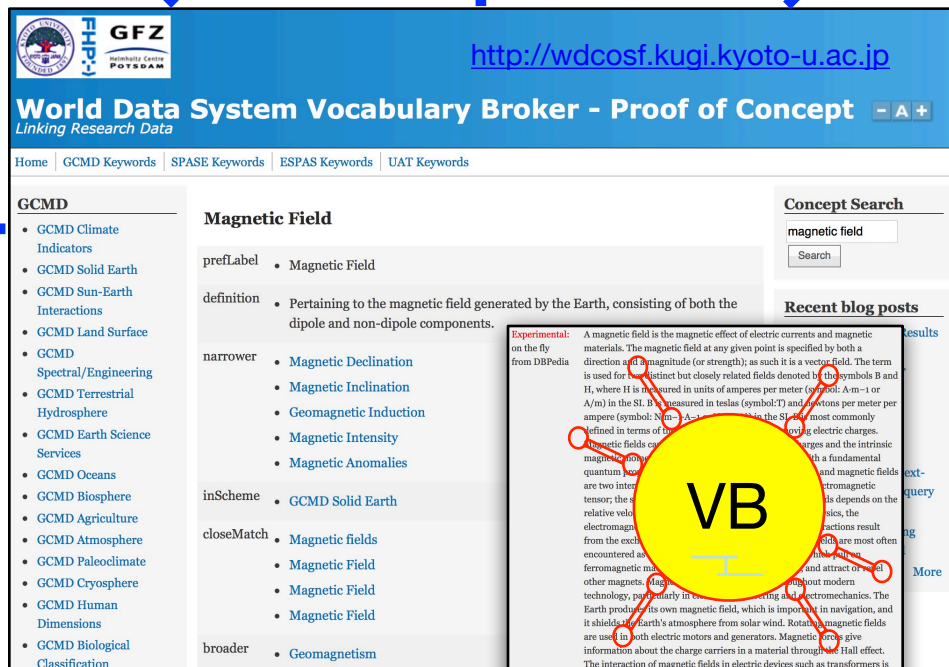
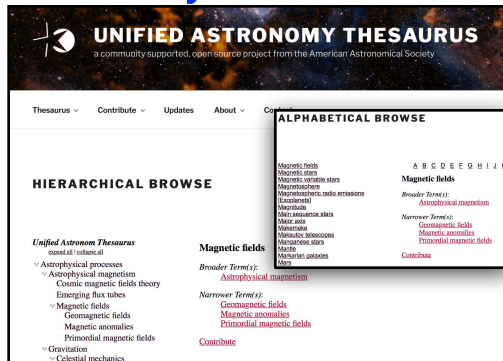


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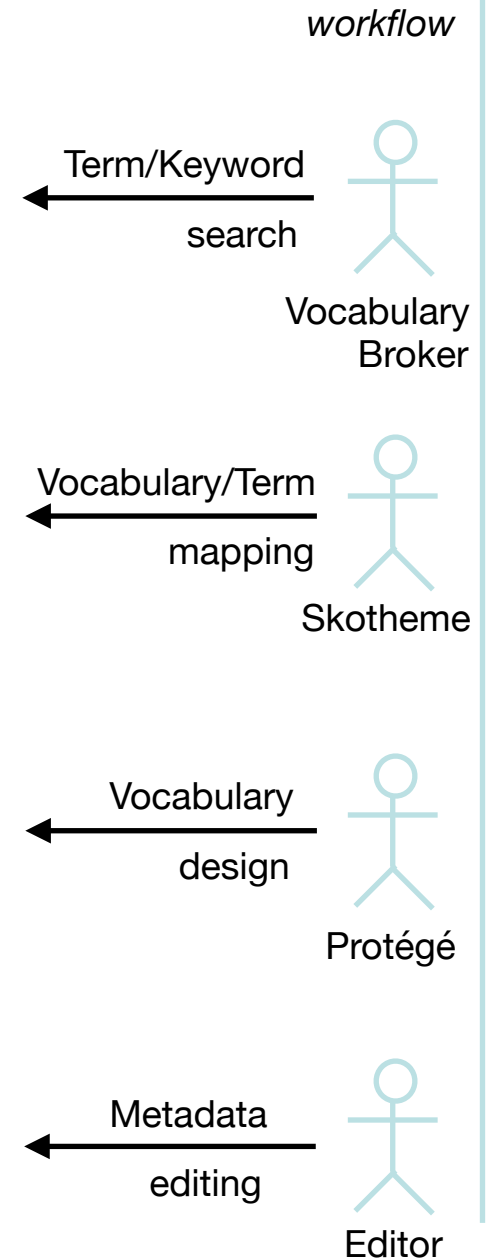
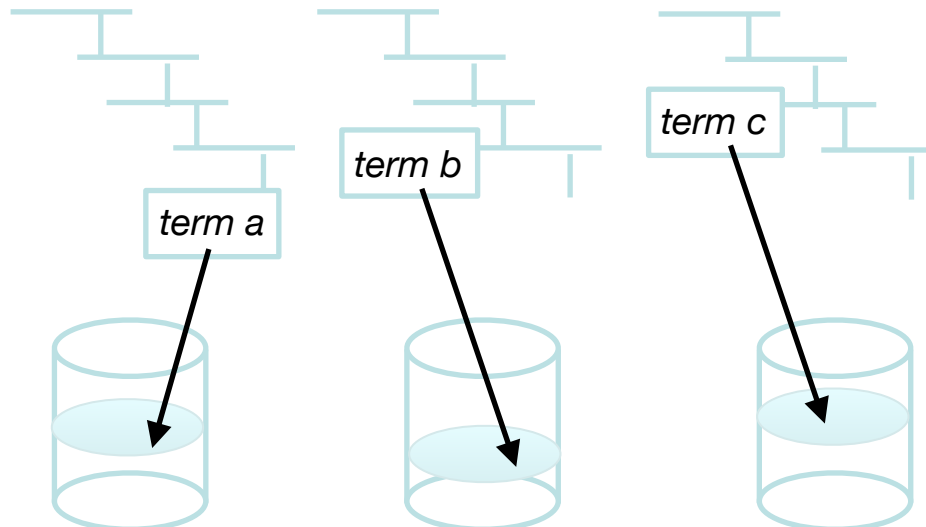
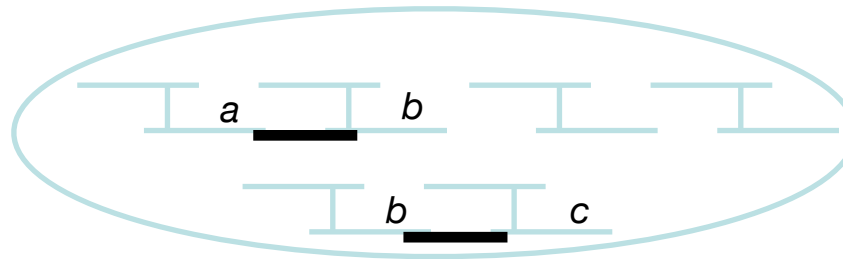
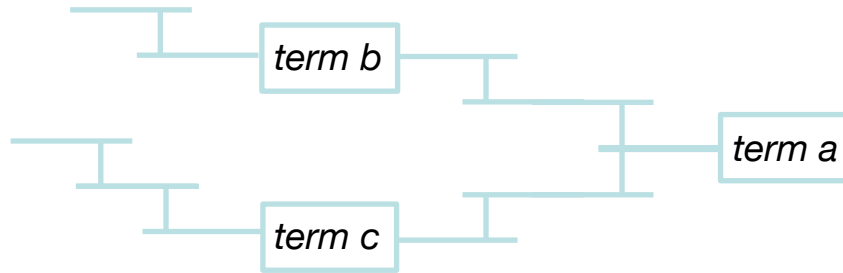
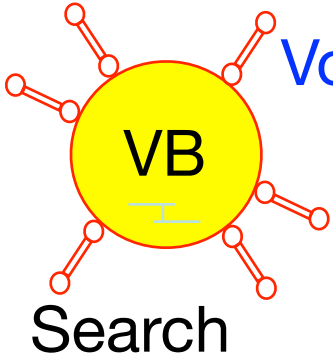
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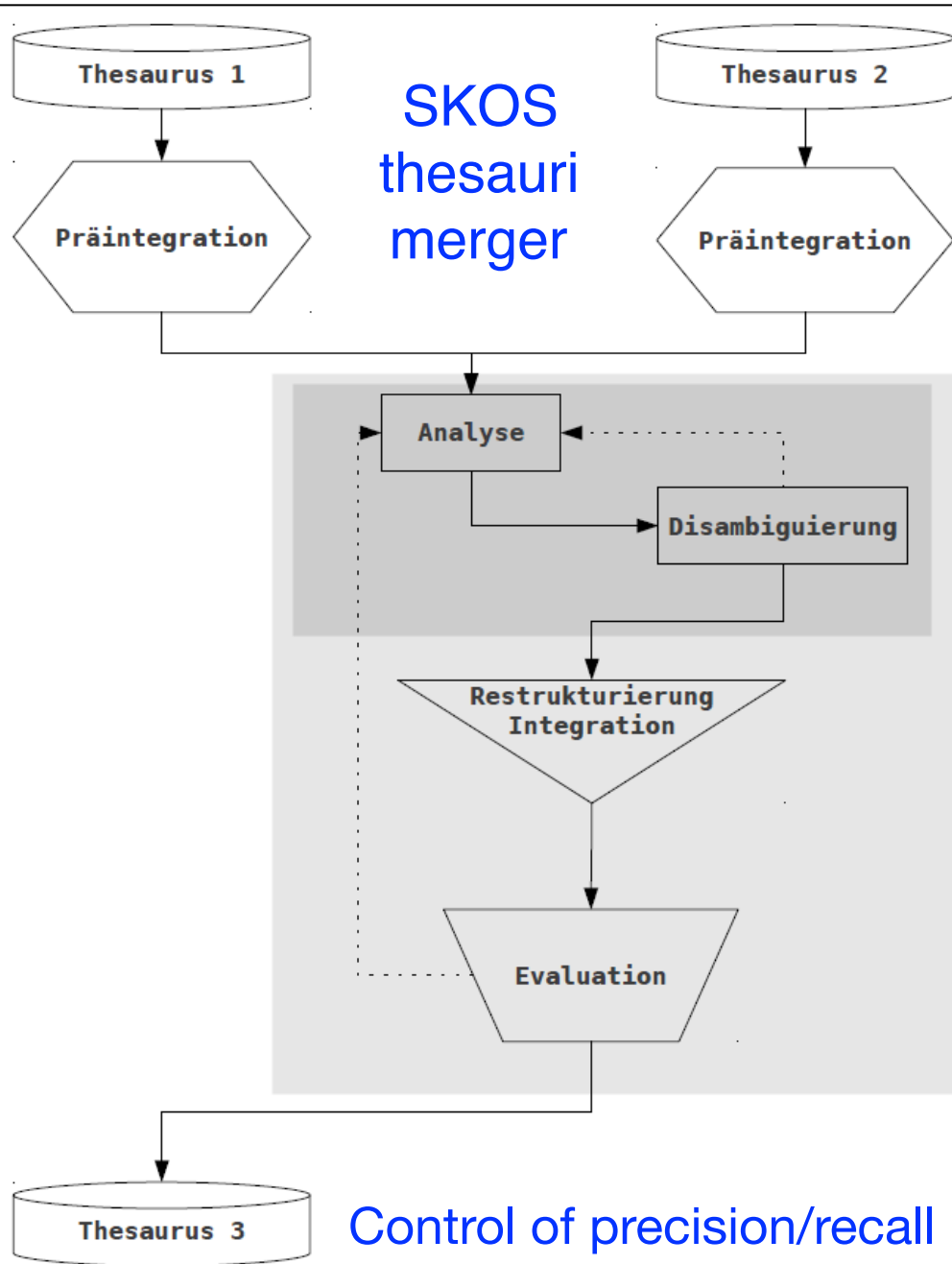
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The Vocabulary Broker manages the terminological ontologies of NASA's GCMD, from SPASE and ESPAS as well as the UAT. In addition to the initial data, a merged terminological ontology generated with the program Skotheme is also managed by the VB.

# Vocabulary Broker Components and Workflow





- **ISO 25964-1:2011 - Thesauri for information retrieval**
- Mapping of **SKOS** Thesauri
- Ontology Matching method
  - syntactic diffs
  - conceptual diffs
  - semiotic diffs
  - terminological diffs
- Pre-Integration (stop words, normalization (diacritical marks, upper and lower case, stemming))
- Lexical analysis (substring comparison, N-Gramm similarity, Term signature)
- Structural analysis (Child or parent match technique)
- Entity based analysis

# Vocabulary Broker connecting



## ESPAS Vocab.

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# IUGONET Portal

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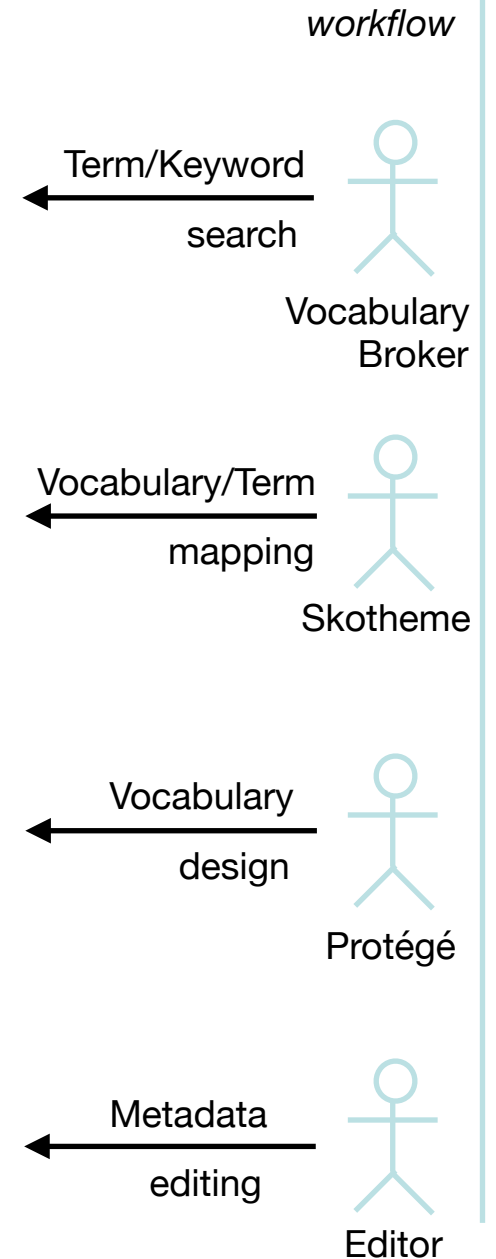
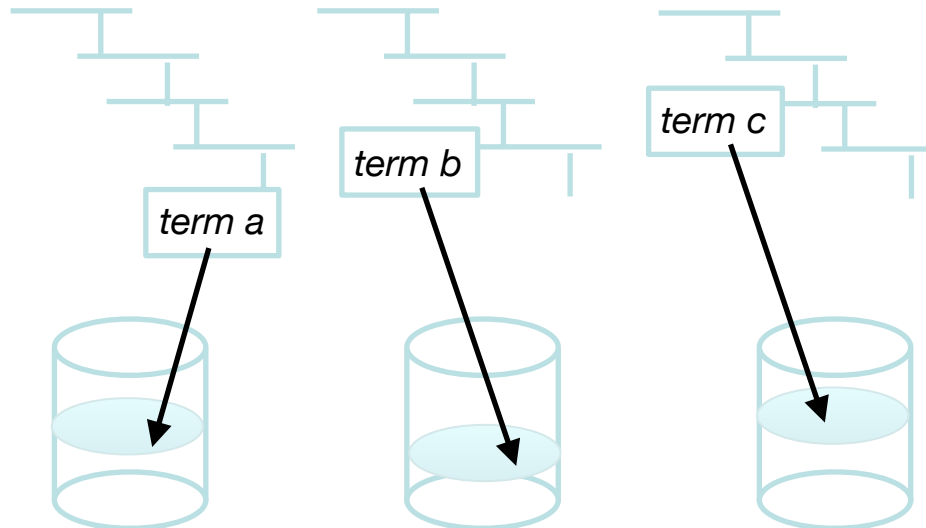
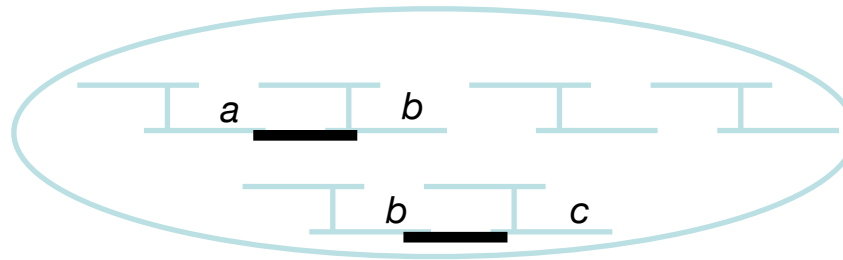
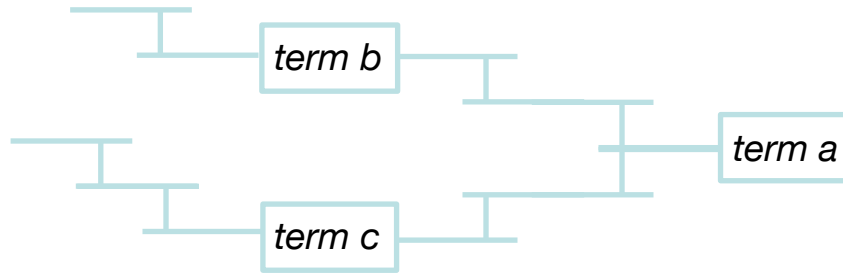
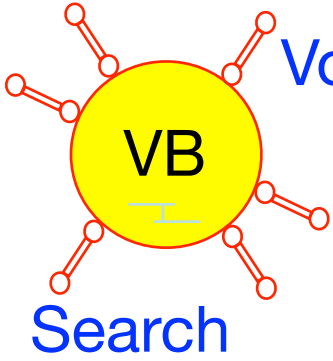
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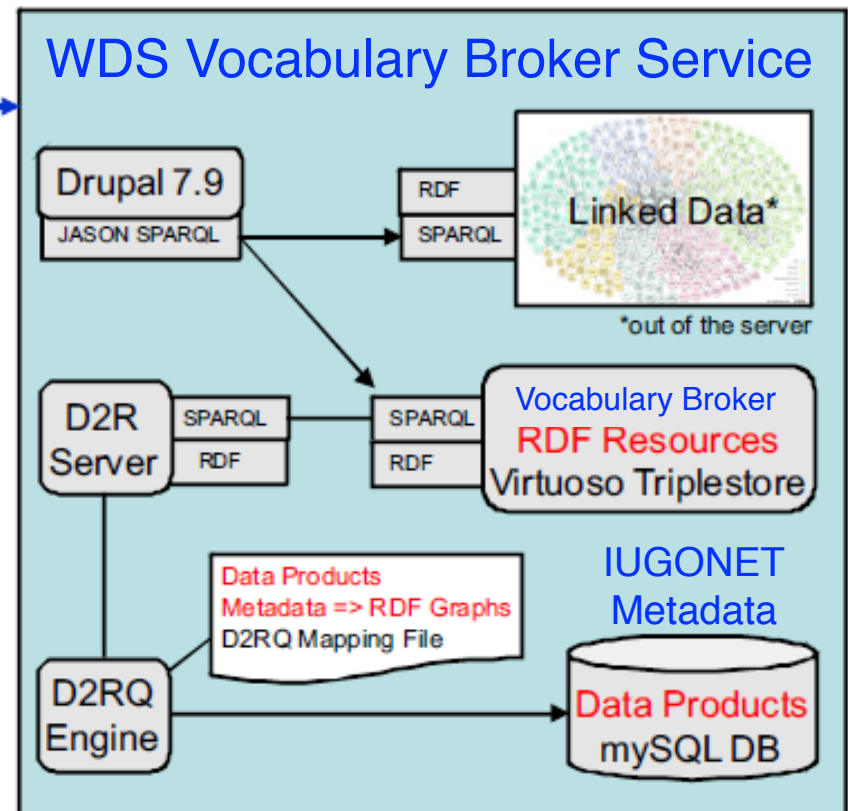
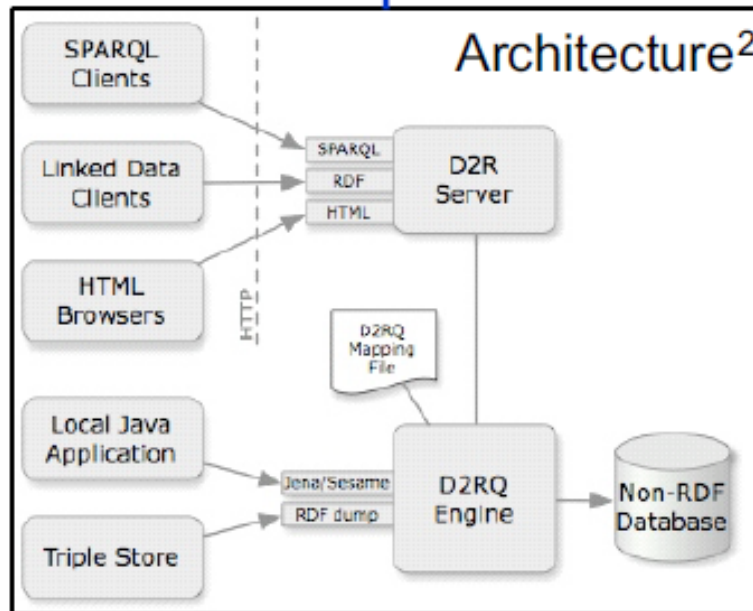
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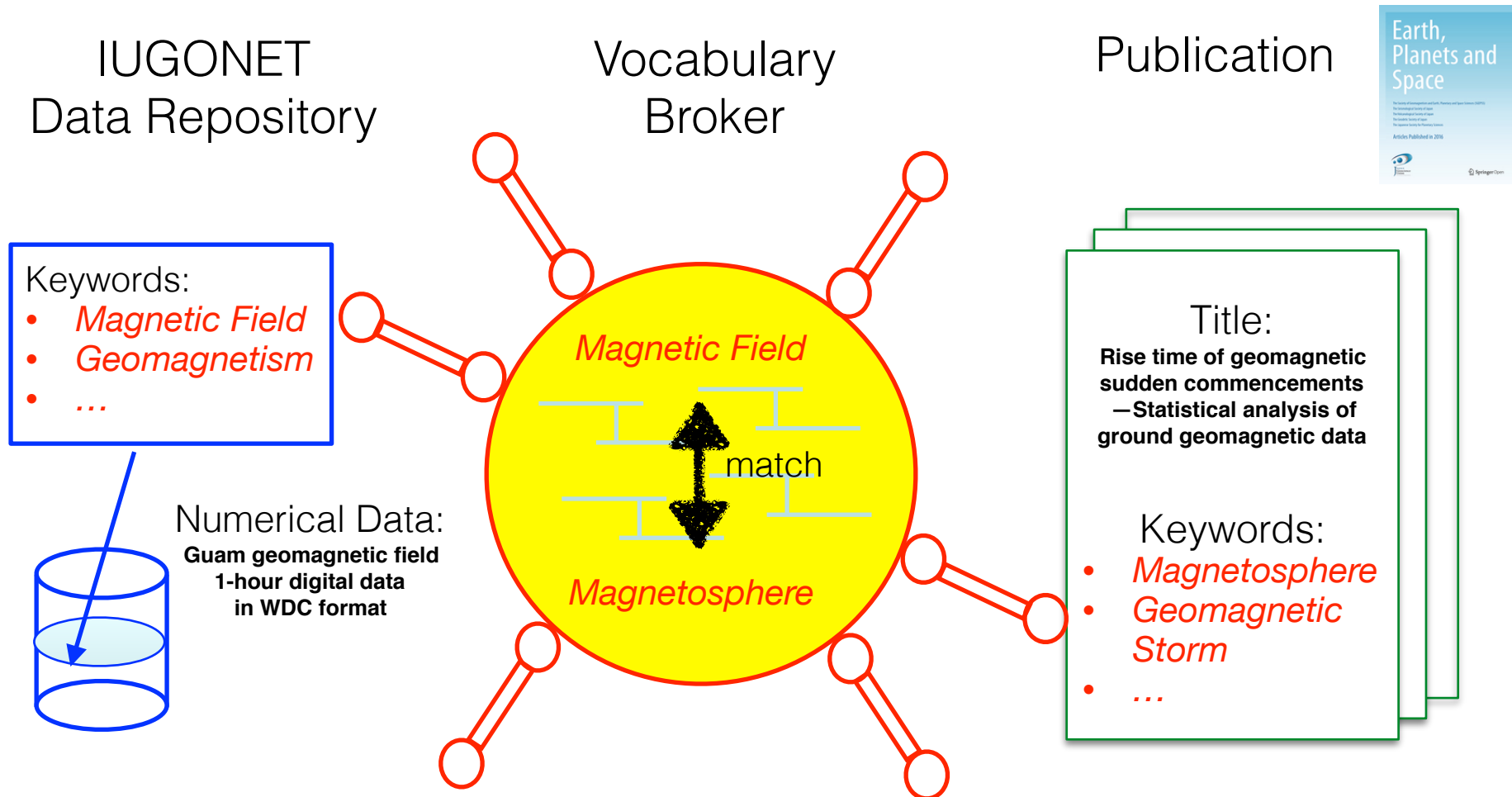
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- D2R Server: tool for publishing content of relational databases on the Semantic Web



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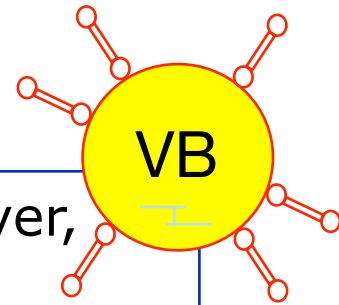
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# Vocabulary Broker application connecting IUGONET's scientific data, appropriate paper and data publications



Scientific paper published in journals, such as „Earth Planet and Space“ or abstracts submitted to scientific conferences, such as JpGU, AGU or EGU, more and more are tagged with domain related controlled or free keywords. These keywords mapped with appropriate keywords managed by the Vocabulary Broker almost automatically mashups the scientific data form various data repositories with related publications.

# Vocabular Broker Applications



- Mashup of near earth space data systems and server, e.g. **IUGONET, ESPAS, GFZ ISDC**

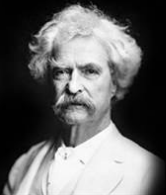
- Inferring relationships between disciplinary phenomena
- **Cross-domain publication** appropriate
- Integration of our Vocabulary Broker idea and tool box for research or resources for objectives  
disaster management and space derived  
• e.g. in weather challenge  
• Usage of education  
• Essential network

If you are interested in my/our expertise in information sciences, and in the reuse of our Vocabulary Broker idea and tool box for research or commercial applications and/or products please contact me.

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The difference between  
the right word and the  
almost right word is the  
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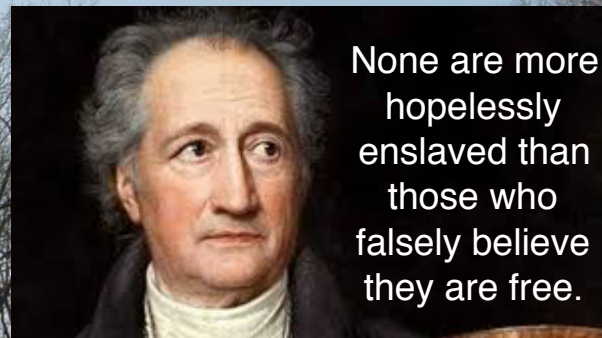
**Mark Twain**

*American Author and Humorist*  
(1835-1910)

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None are more  
hopelessly  
enslaved than  
those who  
falsely believe  
they are free.

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe  
(1749-1832)

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**Thank you, Questions?**