

Ontological-Semantic Analysis:

Processes, Knowledge Resources, Tools, Applications

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Duma Heads Prepare for Putin Meeting

By Francesca Mereu Staff Writer

Ahead of a Wednesday meeting with President Vladimir Putin, State Duma Speaker Boris Gryzlov gathered the heads of the Duma factions in his office to discuss reforms mentioned by Putin in his recent state of the nation address.

Faction leaders said the two-hour talks Tuesday focused on two Putin proposals: to allow political parties that win regional legislative elections to nominate governors and to give opposition factions a greater voice in the Duma.

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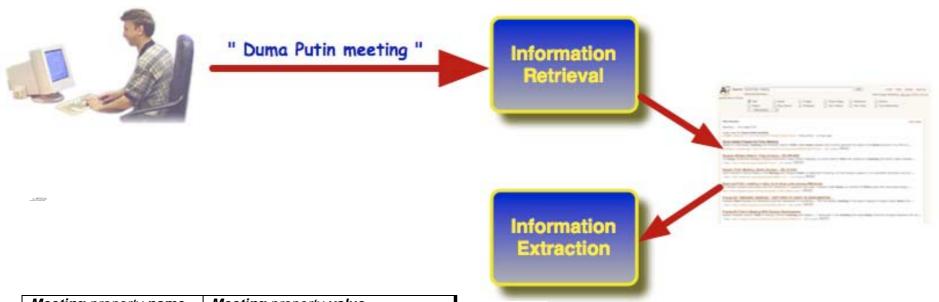
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Meeting property name	Meeting property value
who	President Vladimir Putin
time	Wednesday
reported by	Moscow News

Gather property name	Gather property value
who	State Duma Speaker Boris Gryzlov
what	Heads of the Duma factions
time	before May 18, 2005
reported by	Moscow News

Ahead of a Wednesday meeting with President Vladimir Putin, State Duma Speaker Boris Gryzlov gathered the heads of the Duma factions in his office to discuss reforms mentioned by Putin in his recent state of the nation address.

Little or no help with:

ambiguity resolution reference resolution

- events
- named entities

data **accuracy**

- confidence / trust
- timeline



Enhanced IE performs ambiguity and reference resolution;

reasons about trust issues and timelines MEETING-24 : Gryzlov/Duma factions meeting AGENT SPOKESPERSON-1

MEETING-23 ; Putin/Gryzlov meeting SPOKESPERSON-1 AGENT AGENT PRESIDENT-47 > MEETING-24.TIME TIME (YEAR 2005) (MONTH MAY) ABSOLUTE-TIME (DAY WEDNESDAY) (DAY 18) NEWSPAPER-FR80 INFO-SOURCE textpointer meeting

SPOKESPERSON-1

LEGISLATIVE-ENTITY-3 RELATION HAS-FIRST-NAME Boris HAS-LAST-NAME Gryzlov AGENT-OF MEETING-23 MEETING-24 AGENT+OF **EFFECT** textpointer

LEGISLATIVE-ENTITY-3

textpointer

RELATION COREFER LEGISLATIVE-ENTITY-FR64 textpointer State Duma

PRESIDENT-47 MEETING-23 AGENT-OF Vladimir HAS-FIRST-NAME HAS-LAST-NAME Putin COREFER

MEETING-24; 'makes happen' Speaker Boris Gryzlov

SPOKESPERSON-1

PRESIDENT-48. HUMAN-FR-2223 President Vladimir Putin

AGENT SOCIAL-ROLE-79 SPOKESPERSON-1 CAUSED-BY < MEETING-23.TIME TIME < ((YEAR 2005) (MONTH MAY) ABSOLUTE-TIME (DAY WEDNESDAY) (DAY 18)) LOCATION OFFICE-1 DISCUSSION-4 PURPOSE NEWSPAPER-FR80 INFO-SOURCE

gathered; gather + HUMANS = textpointer cause a MEETING

SOCIAL-ROLE-79 CARDINALITY > 1 HEAD-OF SET-13 textpointer heads

SET-13 MEMBER-TYPE HUMAN CARDINALITY >1

RELATION LEGISLATIVE-ENTITY-4 textpointer factions

LEGISLATIVE-ENTITY-4 **SET-13** RELATION Duma textpointer

OFFICE-1 RELATION SPOKESPERSON-1 MEETING-24 LOCATION-OF office textpointer

DISCUSSION-4 THEME REFORM-1 MEETING-24 PURPOSE-OF NEWSPAPER-FR80 INFO-SOURCE textpointer discuss

REFORM-1 THEME-OF DISCUSSION-4 THEME-OF ASSERTIVE-ACT-30 NEWSPAPER-FRB0 INFO-SOURCE textpointer reforms

ASSERTIVE-ACT-30 THEME REFORM-1 AGENT PRESIDENT-48 INFORM-22.TIME TIME NEWSPAPER-FR80 INFO-SOURCE textpointer mentioned

PRESIDENT-48 AGENT-OF HAS-LAST-NAME COREFER

Putin PRESIDENT-47, HUMAN-FR-2223 Putin textpointer

ASSERTIVE-ACT-30

INFORM-22 ABOUT-AS-TOPIC TIME-OF

TIME

AGENT

STATE-OF-AFFAIRS (DOMAIN NATION-FR12) ASSERTIVE-ACT-30 2 BEFORE (ABSOLUTE-TIME (YEAR 2005) (MONTH MAY) (DAY WEDNESDAY) (DAY 18)) ASSERTIVE-ACT-30 AGENT NEWSPAPER-FRBO state of the nation address

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Information Extraction

NEWSPAPER-FRBD INFO-SOURCE-OF

INFO-SOURCE

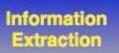
textpointer

: Moscow Times, metadata MEETING-23, MEETING-24, DISCUSSION-4, REFORM-1. ASSERTIVE-ACT-30.INFORM-22



" Duma Putin meeting "

Information Retrieval



Archive of IE Results (with keyword search)



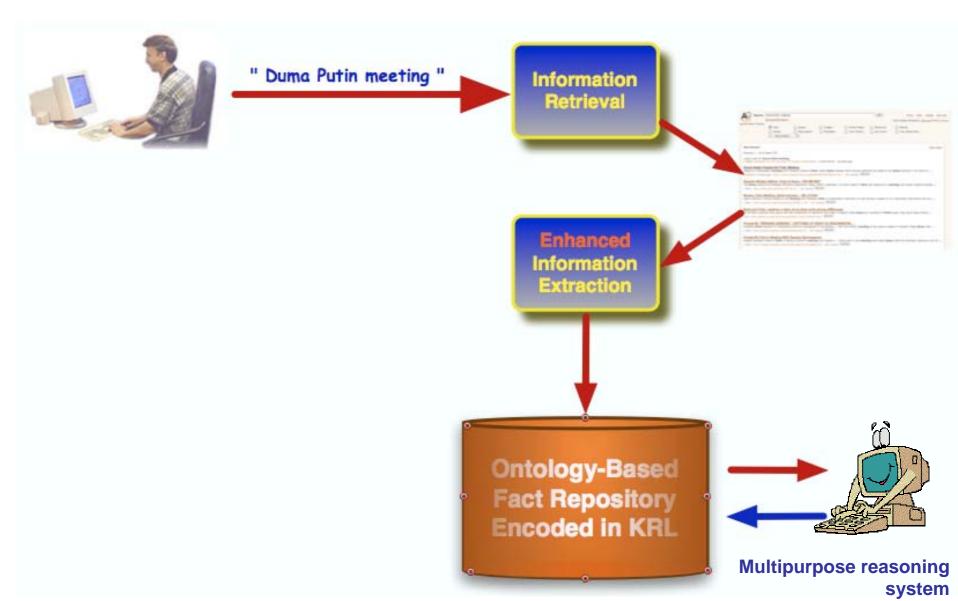
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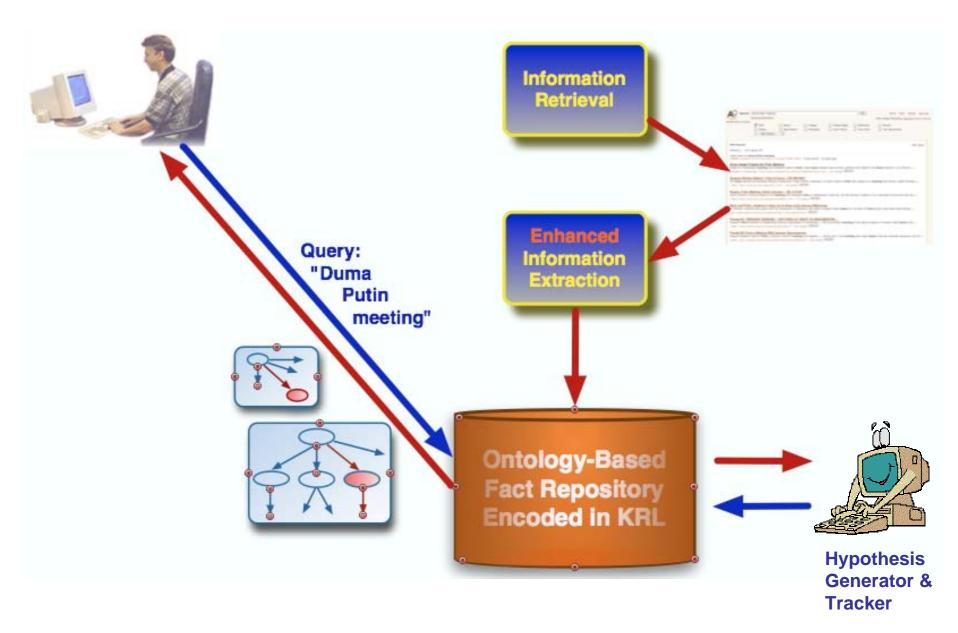
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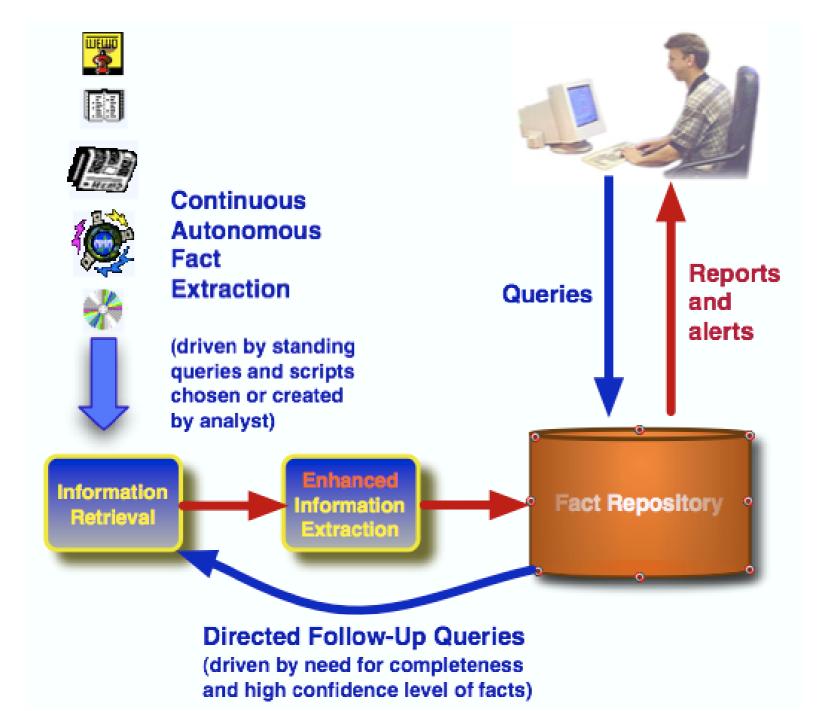
Enhanced Information Extraction



Ontology-Based Fact Repository Encoded in KRL







The fact repository provides knowledge for a variety of needs:

- ambiguity resolution (all kinds) in text and in knowledge
- hypothesis generation and tracking
- understanding user queries
- generation of reports and alerts

The fact repository must be continuously updated.

This requires a natural language processing component capable of extracting, representing and manipulating **meaning**.

A major objective of our work in **ontological semantics** is automatic extraction of structured, unambiguous, ontologically interpreted knowledge from unstructured text.

It is such knowledge that we encode in the fact repository.

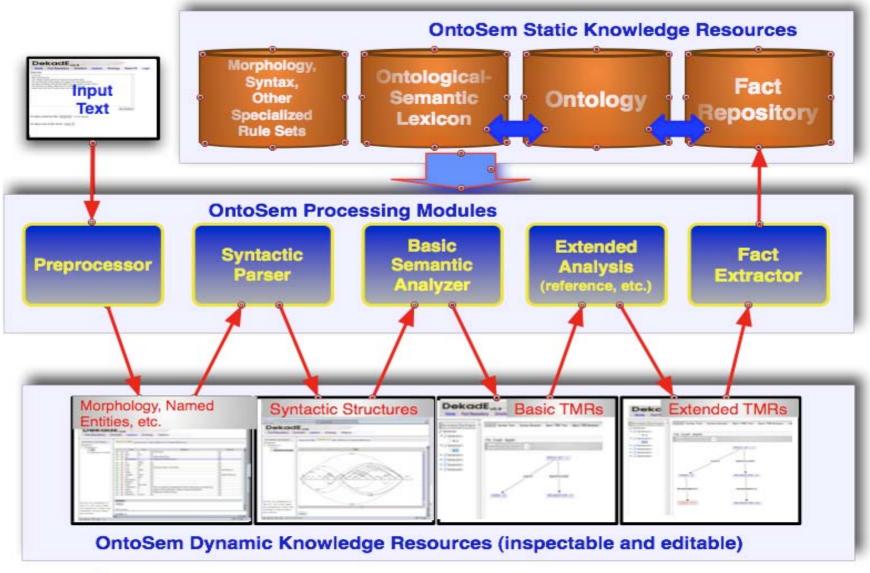
When search, comparison and clustering algorithms rely on knowledge structures instead of textual strings, the quality of information extraction, report generation, question answering, knowledge merging and other advanced applications is enhanced.

Knowledge structures are much more useful for automatic reasoning than textual strings

Structures	Strings	
Knowledge	l extual	

- unambiguous
- interconnected through multiple formally defined ontological relations
- allow use of prior knowledge in solving current problems

- ambiguous (including referential ambiguity)
- interconnected only by ambiguous names and through co-occurrence in text
- not readily amenable for reference to prior knowledge



- POS tagged
- morphology analyzed
- named entity recognized
- acronyms resolved
- numbers, dates processed
- phrase boundaries and heads established
- syntactic dependency established
- basic TMR produced
- word sense ambiguity resolved
- basic semantic dependency established
- extended TMR produced
- referential ambiguity resolved
- dependency ambiguity finalized
- partial temporal ordering derived
- trust data collected

The crucial problem in creating structured knowledge from text is

ambiguity resolution

- word sense ambiguity resolution
- semantic dependency (compositional) ambiguity resolution
- referential ambiguity resolution ("entity resolution")

In the OntoSem system, we develop algorithms and environments for all three kinds of ambiguity resolution.



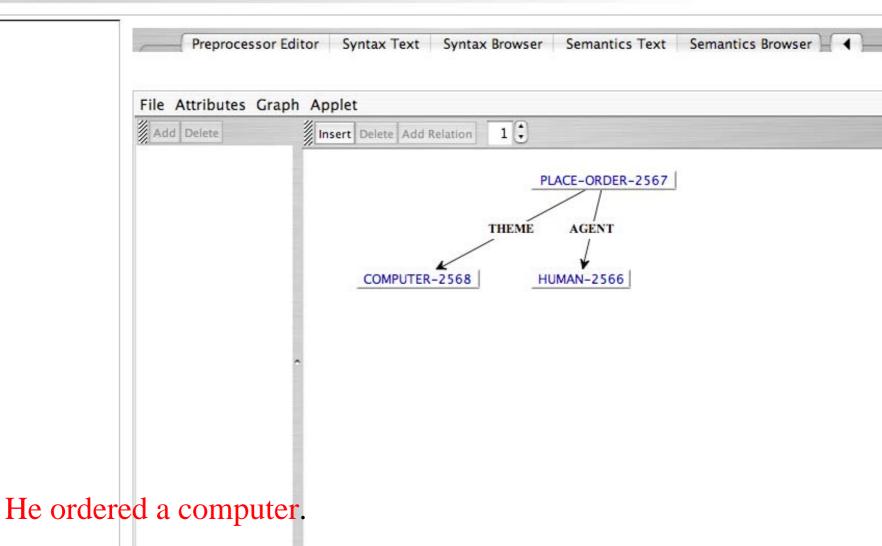
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HUMAN-3132

textpointer HE word-num 0

AGENT-OF PLACE-ORDER-3133

TRIGGER-REFERENCE ((PERSON THIRD) (GENDER MALE))

PLACE-ORDER-3133

textpointer ORDER

word-num 1

THEME COMPUTER-3134

AGENT HUMAN-3132

COMPUTER-3134

textpointer COMPUTER

word-num 3

THEME-OF PLACE-ORDER-3133



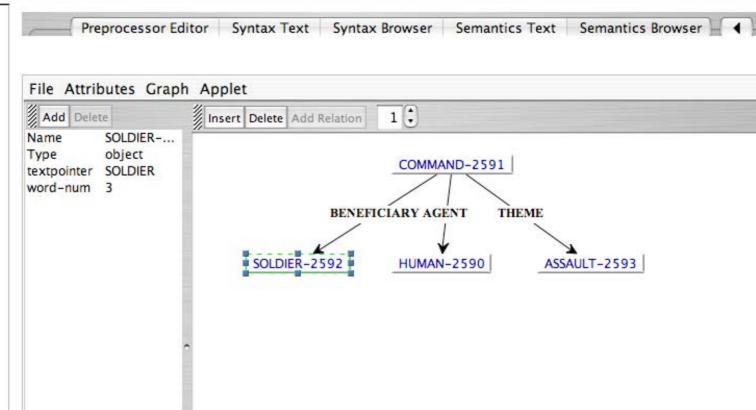
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He ordered the soldiers to attack.



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HUMAN-2590

textpointer HE word-num 0

AGENT-OF COMMAND-2591

TRIGGER-REFERENCE ((PERSON THIRD) (GENDER MALE))

COMMAND-2591

textpointer ORDER

word-num 1

THEME ASSAULT-2593
BENEFICIARY SOLDIER-2592
AGENT HUMAN-2590

SOLDIER-2592

textpointer SOLDIER

word-num 3

BENEFICIARY-OF COMMAND-2591

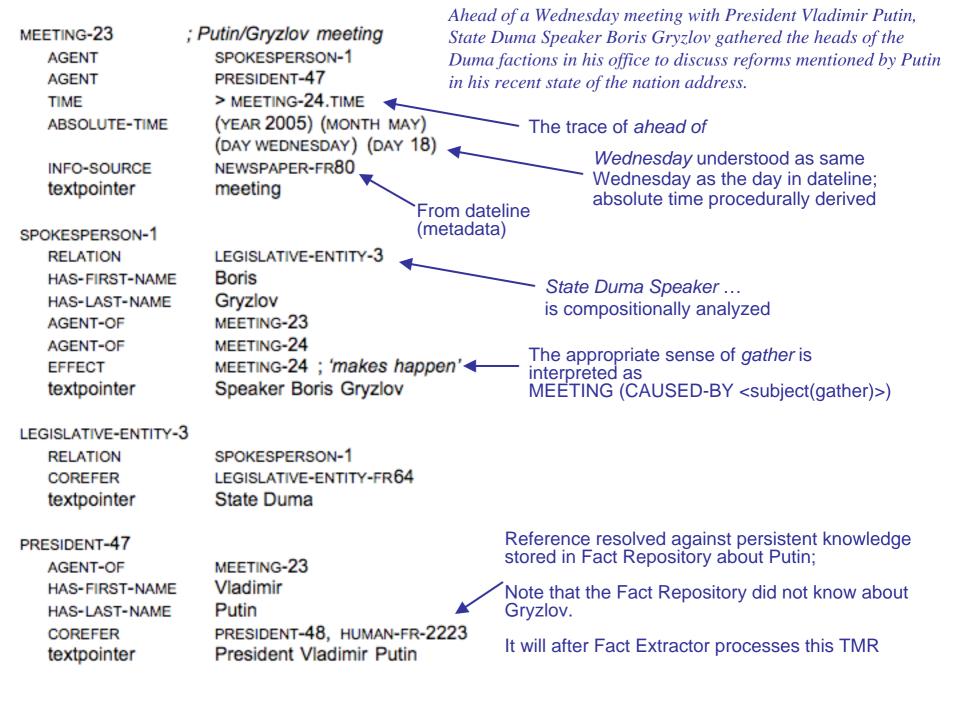
ASSAULT-2593

textpointer ATTACK

word-num

THEME-OF COMMAND-2591

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(order
(order-n1 (cat n) (anno (ex "a request to supply goods or services"))
 (syn-struc ((root $var0) (cat n))) (sem-struc (commercial-order)))
(order-v1 (cat v)
 (anno (ex "he ordered them to put down their weapons"))
 (syn-struc
  ((root $var0) (cat v) (subject ((root $var1) (cat np)))
   (indirectobject ((root $var2) (cat np)))
   (xcomp ((root $var3) (cat v)))))
 (sem-struc
  (command (agent (value ^$var1)) (beneficiary (value ^$var2))
   (theme (value ^$var3)))))
 order-n2 (sublanguages) (cat n)
  anno (ex "an order from the general to stop operations"))
  (syn-struc
   ((root $var0) (cat n)
    (pp ((root from) (cat prep) (root $var4) (opt +)
         (obj ((root $var2) (cat np)))))
   (pp ((root to) (cat prep) (root $var5) (opt +)
         (obj ((root $var6) (cat n)))))
   (xcomp ((root $var3) (opt +) (cat v)))))
 (sem-struc
   (command (agent (value ^$var2)) (theme (value ^$var3))
   (beneficiary (value ^$var6)))
  (^svar4 (null-sem +)) (^svar5 (null-sem +)))
 (order-v2 (cat v)
 (anno (def "to place an order for some good")
  (ex "they ordered new curtains"))
 (syn-struc
  ((root $var0) (cat v) (subject ((root $var1) (cat np)))
   (directobject ((root $var2) (cat np)))))
 (sem-struc
  (place-order (agent (value ^$var1)) (theme (value ^$var2)))))
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MEETING-24 AGENT AGENT CAUSED-BY	; Gryzlov/Duma factions meeting SPOKESPERSON-1 SOCIAL-ROLE-79 SPOKESPERSON-1	Gryzlov is both a participant and a convener of the meeting
TIME ABSOLUTE-TIME	< MEETING-23.TIME < ((YEAR 2005) (MONTH MAY) (DAY WEDNESDAY) (DAY 18))	
LOCATION PURPOSE	OFFICE-1 DISCUSSION-4	Purpose of the meeting is determined
INFO-SOURCE	NEWSPAPER-FR80	and recorded in the fact frame; this would be
textpointer	gathered ; gather + HUMANS = cause a MEETING	a challenge for text-string-based IE
SOCIAL-ROLE-79	oddoo d MEE/Mo	
CARDINALITY	>1	
HEAD-OF	SET-13	
textpointer	heads	
orr 12		The set construct and its cardinality attribute
SET-13 MEMBER-TYPE	HUMAŅ	are used to express the meaning of indefinite plurals
CARDINALITY	> 1	indefinite plarais
RELATION	LEGISLATIVE-ENTITY-4	
textpointer	factions	
LEGISLATIVE-ENTITY-4	42	
RELATION	SET-13	
textpointer	Duma	
OFFICE-1		
RELATION	SPOKESPERSON-1 ; 'his'	
LOCATION-OF	MEETING-24	
textpointer	office	
DISCUSSION-4	percopu 1	
THEME PURPOSE-OF	REFORM-1 MEETING-24	
INFO-SOURCE	NEWSPAPER-FR80	
textpointer	discuss	

RE	FORM-1 THEME-OF THEME-OF INFO-SOURCE textpointer	DISCUSSION-4 ASSERTIVE-ACT-30 NEWSPAPER-FR80 reforms	
AS	SSERTIVE-ACT-30		
	THEME	REFORM-1	
	AGENT	PRESIDENT-48	
	TIME INFO-SOURCE	INFORM-22.TIME NEWSPAPER-FR80	
	textpointer	mentioned	
PF	RESIDENT-48	ACCEPTAGE ACT 30	
	AGENT-OF HAS-LAST-NAME	ASSERTIVE-ACT-30 Putin	
	COREFER	PRESIDENT-47, HUMAN-FR-2223	
	textpointer	Putin	SPECIFY-APPROXIMATION meaning procedure
	22		will determine the estimate for the time of the address
IN	FORM-22	STATE OF AFFAIRS (DOMAIN MATI	ON ED12)
	ABOUT-AS-TOPIC TIME-OF	STATE-OF-AFFAIRS (DOMAIN NATION ASSERTIVE-ACT-30	ON-FR (Z)
	TIME	.2 BEFORE	
		(ABSOLUTE-TIME (YEAR 2005) (M	IONTH MAY)
		(DAY WEDNESDAY) (DAY 18))	
	AGENT INFO-SOURCE	ASSERTIVE-ACT-30.AGENT NEWSPAPER-FR80	
	textpointer	state of the nation address	This information facilitates reasoning about attribution and trust
NE	EWSPAPER-FR80	; Moscow Times, metadata	
	INFO-SOURCE-OF	MEETING-23, MEETING-24, DISCU	
		REFORM-1, ASSERTIVE-ACT-30,IN	FURM-ZZ

Results expected from IE based on string comparison

Results expected from IE based on OntoSem analysis

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who	President Vladimir Putin
time	Wednesday
reported by	Moscow News

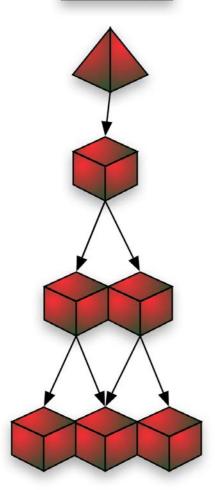
Gather property name	Gather property value
who	State Duma Speaker Boris Gryzlov
what	Heads of the Duma factions
time	before May 18, 2005
reported by	Moscow News

Meeting property name	Meeting property value
participants	President Vladimir Putin
	State Duma Speaker Boris Gryzlov
time	May 18, 2005
status	potential
reported by	Moscow News

Meeting property name	Meeting property value
participants	State Duma Speaker Boris Gryzlov
	Heads of Duma factions
time	before May 18, 2005
Purpose	Discuss reforms mentioned by Putin
	in his recent state of the nation
	address
status	actual
reported by	Moscow News

Ahead of a Wednesday meeting with President Vladimir Putin, State Duma Speaker Boris Gryzlov gathered the heads of the Duma factions in his office to discuss reforms mentioned by Putin in his recent state of the nation address.

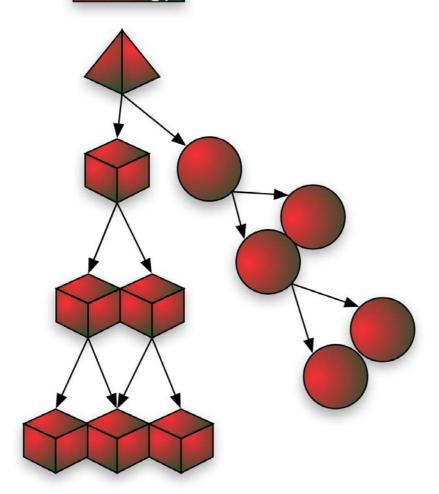
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Object (NATION, AIRCRAFT)

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Object (NATION, AIRCRAFT)

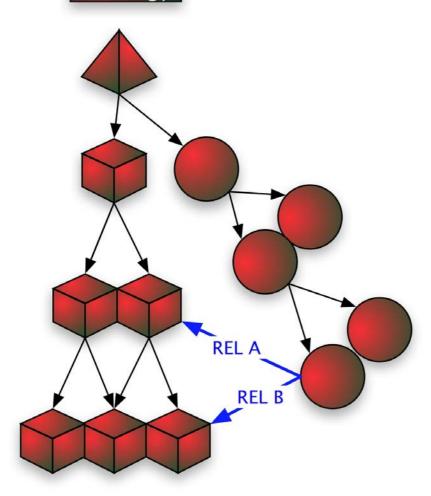


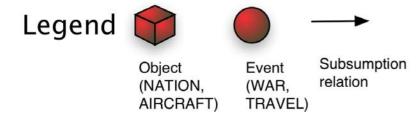
Event (WAR, TRAVEL)

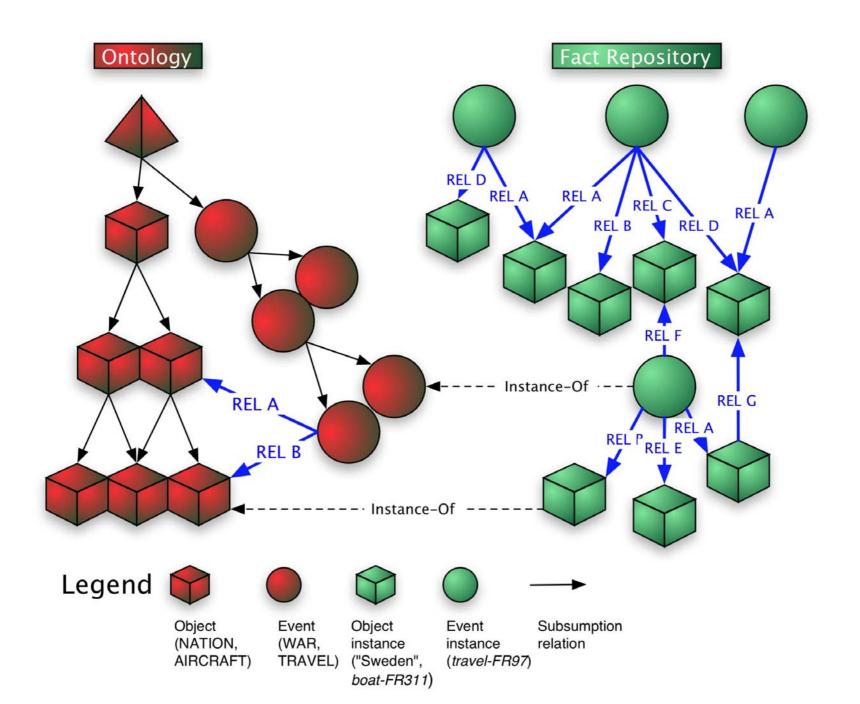
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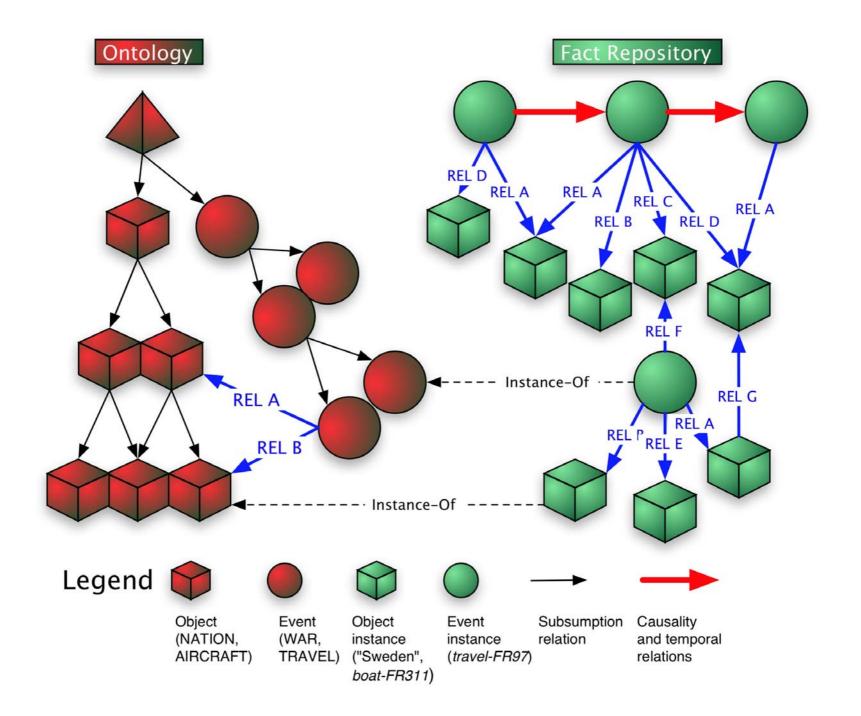
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A few details about OntoSem

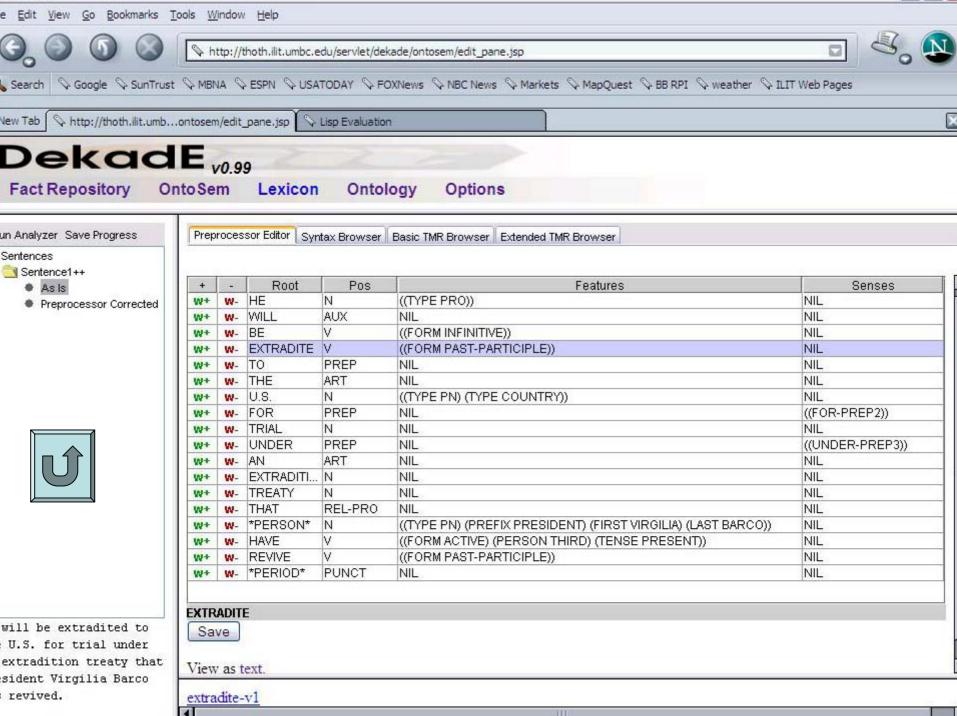
- NLP-oriented ontology of about 8,200 concepts (~105,000 RDF triples)
- Semantic **lexicons** (~25,000 entries for English)
- Lexical rules for lexicon expansion
- Fact repository of about 20,000 facts (largest of several)
- Tokenization knowledge (including large onomasticons)
- Morphological and syntactic grammars for several languages
- Assorted rule sets for **microtheories** of modality, reference, rhetorical relations, etc.
- Word sense and semantic dependency disambiguation; reference resolution.
- Static semantic constraints are multivalued: the values of selectional restrictions are arranged in three defeasible layers to facilitate flexible interpretation
- Dynamic, context-induced constraints are encoded using meaning **procedures** in lexicon entries that use information from the nascent TMR for a text and from fact repository.

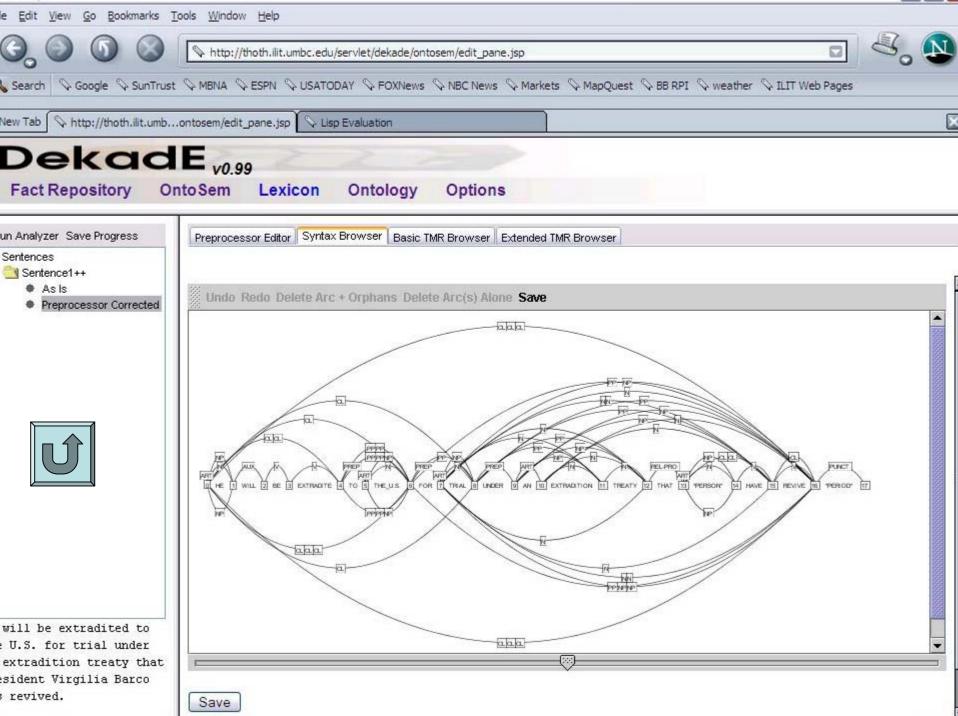
Sample applications of OntoSem

- machine translation (KBMT-89, Pangloss and Mikrokosmos projects)
- question answering (the AQUAINT MOQA project)
- cognitive modeling and simulation: the Maryland Virtual Patient (MVP) project
- lifelong learning of lexicon and ontology (knowledge acquisition)
- Information extraction on the semantic web (the SemNews project)
- generating jokes (Raskin and Hemplemann)
- information security (Attala and Raskin)
- Mixed human-bot multi-agent systems with natural language-enabled agents (proposed)

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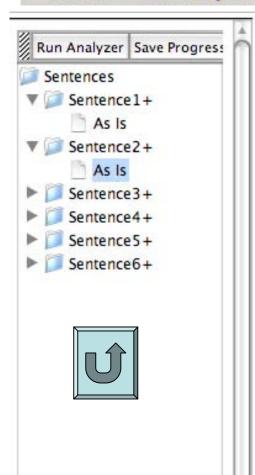
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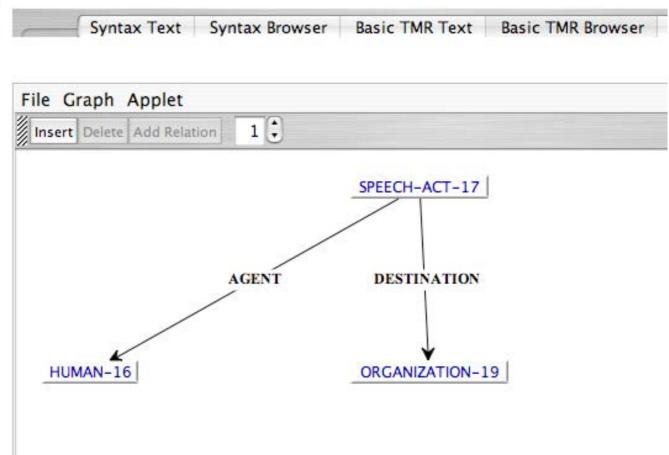
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