Arches Lingo: An Application to Build and Use Authority Data

Part III: Modelling Authority Data

The Challenge

Data Models and Lingo

The foundation for supporting the editorial and curatorial requirements of authority data management and for building the software functionalities to create an ergonomic and reliable data management environment is the data model and the derivatives it supports. **Right choices here are crucial for everything that follows!**

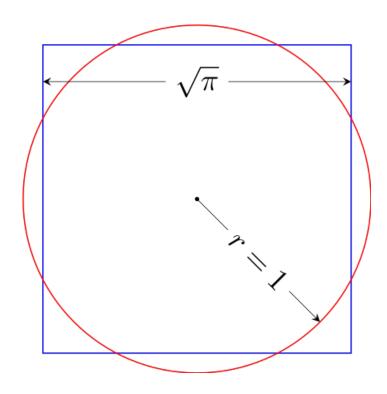


Arches and Data Structures

- Empty
 - Designed for Born Semantic Data
- Causes a Decision
 - What representation strategy do you want to take?



The Task and Challenge



Construct a

- well documented and reusable semantic data model
- supporting the management of authority and vocabulary data in a manner compliant with the highest standards in the field (ISO 25964)
- maintaining backward compatibility with well known and used existing semantic models

that

- applies best practice and knowledge in 2024 of semantic data modelling
- aligns with broader strategies in cultural heritage semantic data modelling world

The world to semantically model and to practically support

Model

- Vocabularies
- Concepts
- Provenance / History
- Contribution

Support

- Production of Vocabularies
- Consumption / Application of Vocabularies
- The lifecycle of Vocabularies

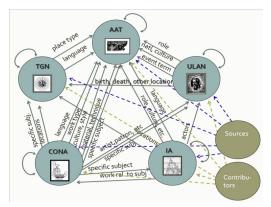


Arches Lingo Internal Semantic Data Model Candidates!

Name	Pro	Con		
None	Free hand!	Zero control; bad practice		
SKOS	Widespread adoption format for implementation	Does not have most of expressivity to handle best practice.		
Linked.Art	Actively developed, links to wider CRM standard, rich enough to handle much of the good practice, a Getty supported and maintained standard which aligns with GD strategy, competencies and tooling.	Does not have all the expressivity to handle best practice.		
Linked.Art+	Adopt the Linked.Art where possible, deviate where necessary in order to match best practice requirements from the community.	Does not conform 100% to Linked.Art		

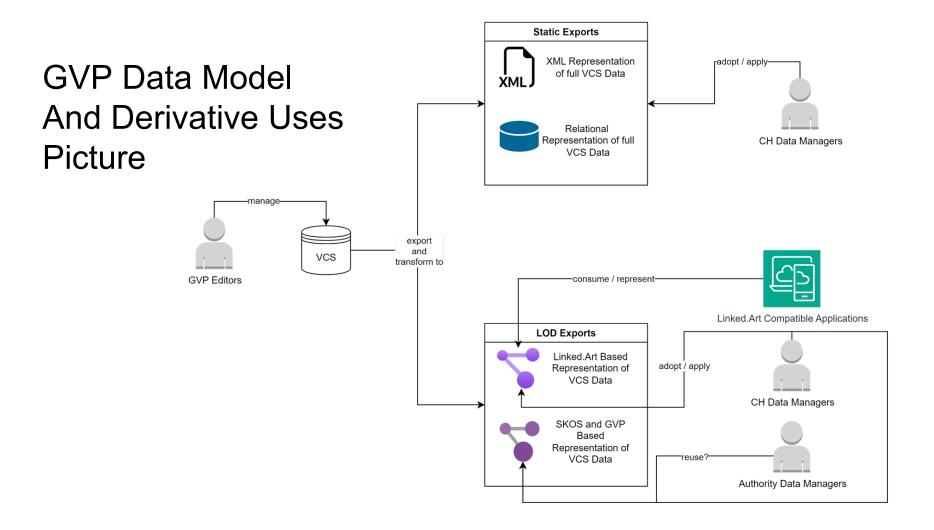
A Learning Collaboration with GVP

Arches Lingo and Getty Vocabulary Project





Collaborate with and learn from world recognized experts in authority data management to develop a system that is informed by industry standard best practices, aiming to more closely align with the requirements of a project as large and complex as GVP.

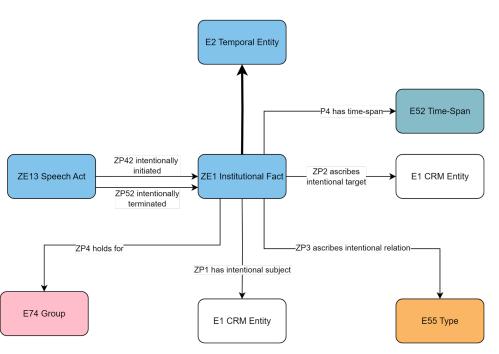


Challenges to Semantically Representing the Richness of VCS / ISO 25964

- Different Demands on Data Shapes from Different Data Models
- Term history-temporality / status / function
- Relation history history-temporality / status / function
- Inter-concept relations
- Provenance Data

The Proposed Solution

Building a Modelling Bridge: Linked.Art+



Core data modelling pattern uses CRMaaa which introduces a core ontological structure, "Institutional Fact" to document mutable social facts such as

- Appellative Status
- Hierarchical Status
- Associative Relation Statuses

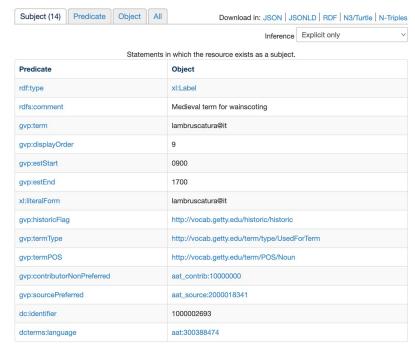
While respecting and extending the core modelling patterns of Linked.Art.

Thus it is possible to have the expressive richness of VCS including its rich set of specialized properties & concordance with Linked.Art.

Term History

lambruscatura

Source:http://vocab.getty.edu/aat/term/1000002693-it



There is a concept: http://vocab.getty.edu/aat/300002691

Wainscotting

It has a label 'lambruscatura'

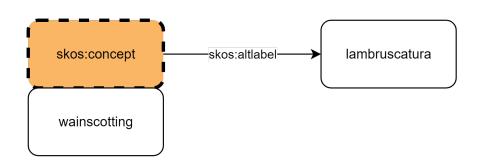
This label was used from 900-1700

This usage is historic (now)

This label is in Italian

This label was attributed to the concept by an institution using a source

Term History Representation: Skos



Representative Capacity:

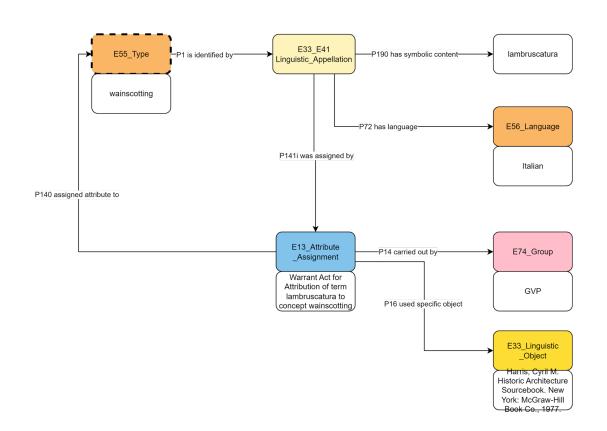
label Label preference

Conclusion:

good application format

bad documentation format

Term History Representation: LinkedArt



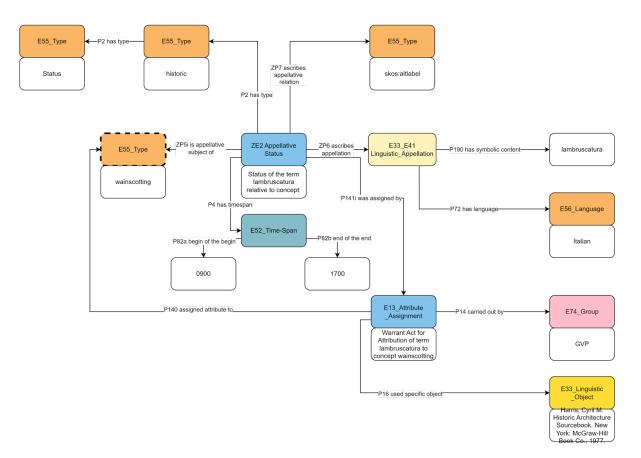
Representative Capacity:

Label language
Label Source
Label contributor

Conclusion:

much richer but still missing important contextual information

Term History Representation: LinkedArt+ Representative Capacity:

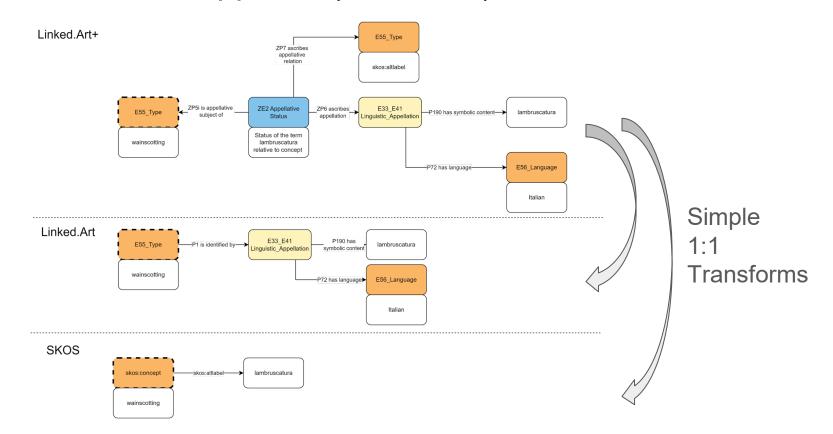


Label
Label language
Label Source
Label contributor
Label Use Period
Label Status
Label Preference

Conclusion:

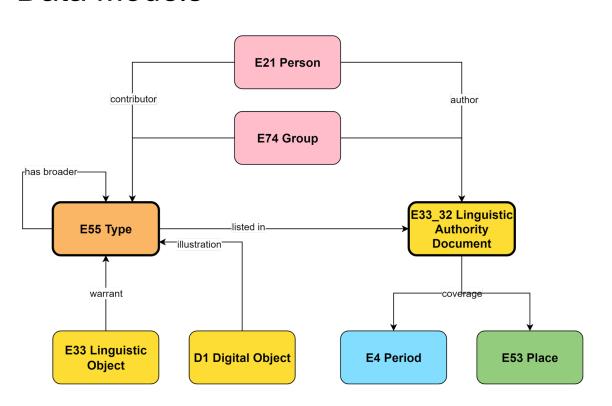
Complete?
Reduces back to LA and skos, so these can also be produced programmatically

One "+" Model to Support 3 (and more)



Outcomes

Data Models



Name	Semantic Class		
Concept	E55 Type		
Scheme	E33_E32 Linguistic Authority Document		
Person_RDM_Syst em	E21 Person		
Group_RDM_Syste m	E74 Group		
Place_RDM_Syste m	E53 Place		
Texual_Work_RDM _System	E33 Linguistic Object		
Digital_Object_RD M_System	D1 Digital Object		
Period_RDM_Syste m	E4 Period		

Concept

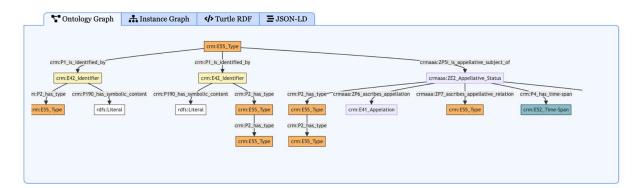


Attributes

KeyField	RDM.1_Concept
Identifier	RDM.1
Name	Concept
Descriptio	This is the core model of the Lingo semantic model project. The Concept model is where the majority of data curation and management is intended to occur. The concept model allows for the documentation of formally defined concepts in the sense of ISO 25964. It enables the temporally qualified and provenanced documentation of the labels/terms associated, associative and matching relations and hierarchical relations. Each concept is documented in relation to a Scheme as either a simple member or as a top concept. An instance of Concept's overall provenance information can be documented and it can be linked to digital asset resources that illustrate it.

[CAT.1] Names and Identifiers

Identifier	Name	CRM Path	Expected Value Type	Expected Collection	Expected Model	Derivatives
RDMF.12	URI	->p1->E42[RDMF.11_1]->p190->rdfs:literal	String			Generators
RDMF.13	URI Type	->p1->E42[RDMF.11_1]->p2->E55[RDMF.13_1]	Concept			Generators
SRDF.524	Label	->zp5i->ZE2[SRDF.518_1]->zp6->E41[SRDF.524_1]	Collection	Name (Simple)		Generators
SRDF.525	Label Type	->zp5i->ZE2[SRDF.518_1]->zp7->E55[SRDF.525_1]	Concept			Generators
SRDF.522	Label Status	->zp5i->ZE2[SRDF.518_1]->p2->E55[SRDF.522_1]	Concept			Generators
SRDF.523	Label Status Metatype	->zp5i->ZE2[SRDF.518_1]-p2-E55[SRDF.522_1]->p2- >E55[SRDF.523_1]	Concept			Generators ~
SRDF.526	Label Temporal Validity	->zp5i->ZE2[SRDF.518_1]->p4->E52[SRDF.526_1]	Collection	Timespan (Simple)		Generators ~
RDMF.57	Label Warrant Assertion Event	zp5i->ZE2[SRDF.518_1]->p141i->E13[RDMF.57_1]	Collection	Warrant Assertion Event (Simple)		Generators ~



Rich, Reusable Semantic Documentation

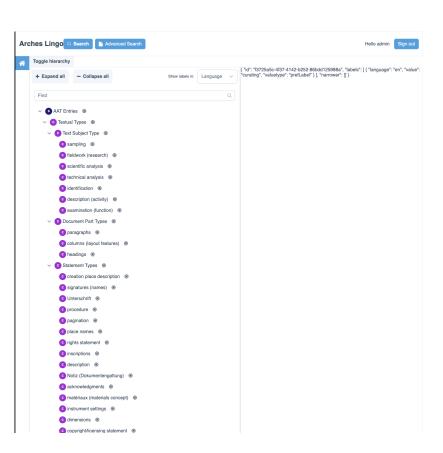
Implementation

Sandbox: https://rdm.dev.fargeo.com

Github:

https://github.com/archesproject/arches

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