

# The semantic Grail: robust and meaningful labels, intelligible to man and machine

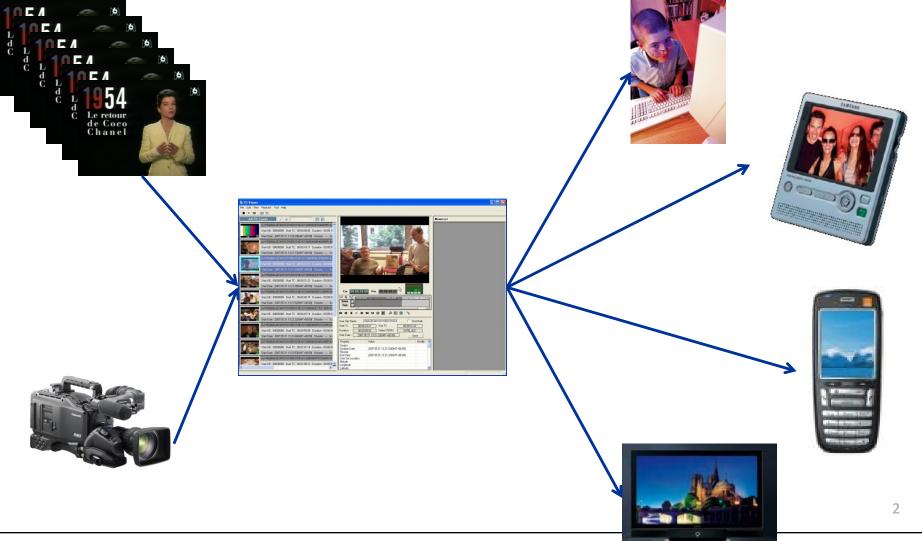
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## New usages







## Added value of semantics

To handle the many assets coming from delinearized audiovisual contents, that should be autodescriptive and autonomous to be used;

To enable interoperability between tools used in AV production

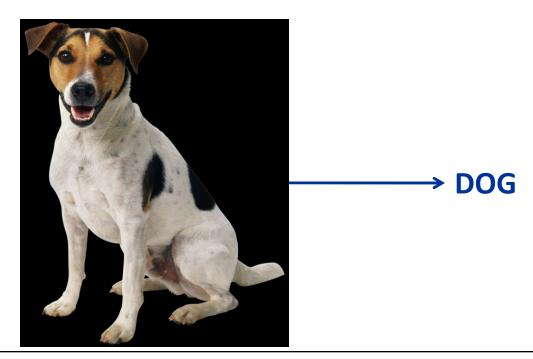
To enable production that can be based on content creation or reuse.





## Adding semantics...

Semantics: annotating non textual content by words more or less controlled.







#### But...

## It's enough for human beings:

The unreasonable efficiency of language

But, for the machine?





# What you say to your dog...

"go out of this trash!
do you hear, Toby !?!
go out of this trash!"







# What your dog understands...

« Bla bla bla bla bla bla bla!
Bla bla bla Toby!?!
Bla bla bla bla bla bla bla bla bla! »







# What you write on your computer...

« I wrote an article about 'Audiovisual needs semantics' »







# What your computer understands

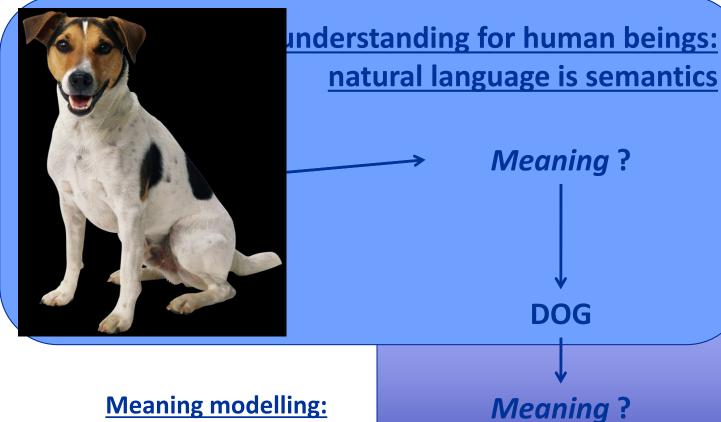
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## Semantics for machines



Meaning modelling:
ontologies, formal
semantics, etc., exploitable
by machines

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<biology:naturalcategory: dog>





#### Two issues

# Adding semantics for human beings Problem:

Associating contents (textual, non textual content) with labels;

#### Which labels?

Coming for social tagging (the more, the merrier);

• But semantic gap: tags far from computable exploitation.

Coming from authority lists, thesaurus, ontologies;

 A compromise: hard to interpret, but formally computable (at least regarding ontologies)

Coming from automatic analysis

 but semantic gap: algorithmic results far from human understanding

#### **Adding semantics for machines**

#### **Problem:**

Providing with an operational and effective translation of content and associated labels: label is an instruction

#### Which labels:

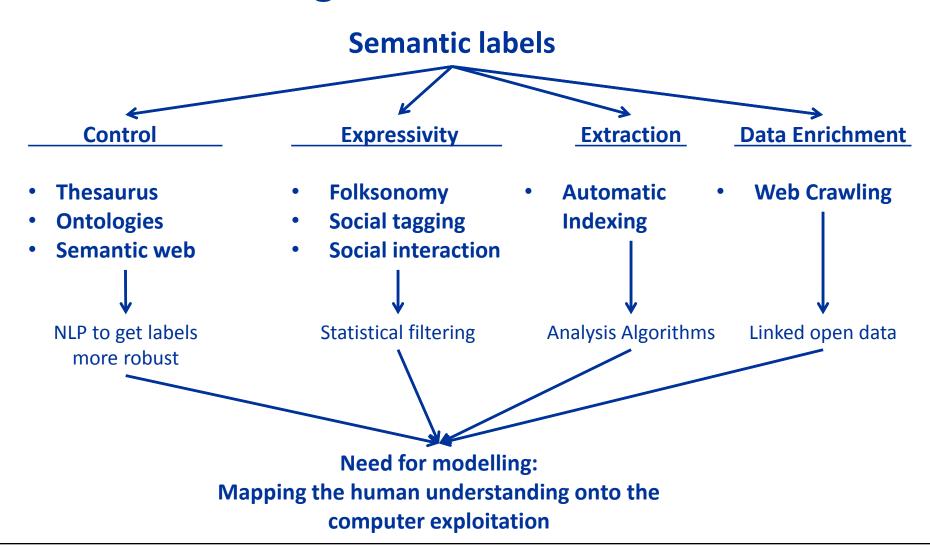
Labels that are not simply strings or charsets but something computers can use.

 Need for modelling to make the link between a label and an expected behaviour of the computer.





## Several strategies... none are the solution







### As a conclusion

Such mappings can be defined locally, for some applications and usages

These mappings are necessary to ensure interoperability and intelligibility

#### **GRAIL:**

Robust and meaningful labels intelligible for human-being and machine





## And now, ladies and gentlemen...

- 14:15 14:30: Gondwana: The link between the event and the broadcast information management (Steny Solitude Perfect Memory)
- 14:30 15:30: Tools to bridge the semantic gaps: Authôt (Olivier Fraysse)-SeekioTech (Frédéric Beaugendre)-EarlyTracks (Patrick Watrin)-Fraunhofer (Uwe Kühhirt)
- 15:30 16:00: Embedding EBUCore metadata in MXF (Maarten Verwaest Limecraft)
- 16:00 16:45: An approach to integrate hardware and software components based on FIMS (Guillaume Rachez Perfect Memory)
- 16:45 17:00: Clipflo mobile applications for artists to enable them to generate revenue from their art (Daniel Harris Kendra)