

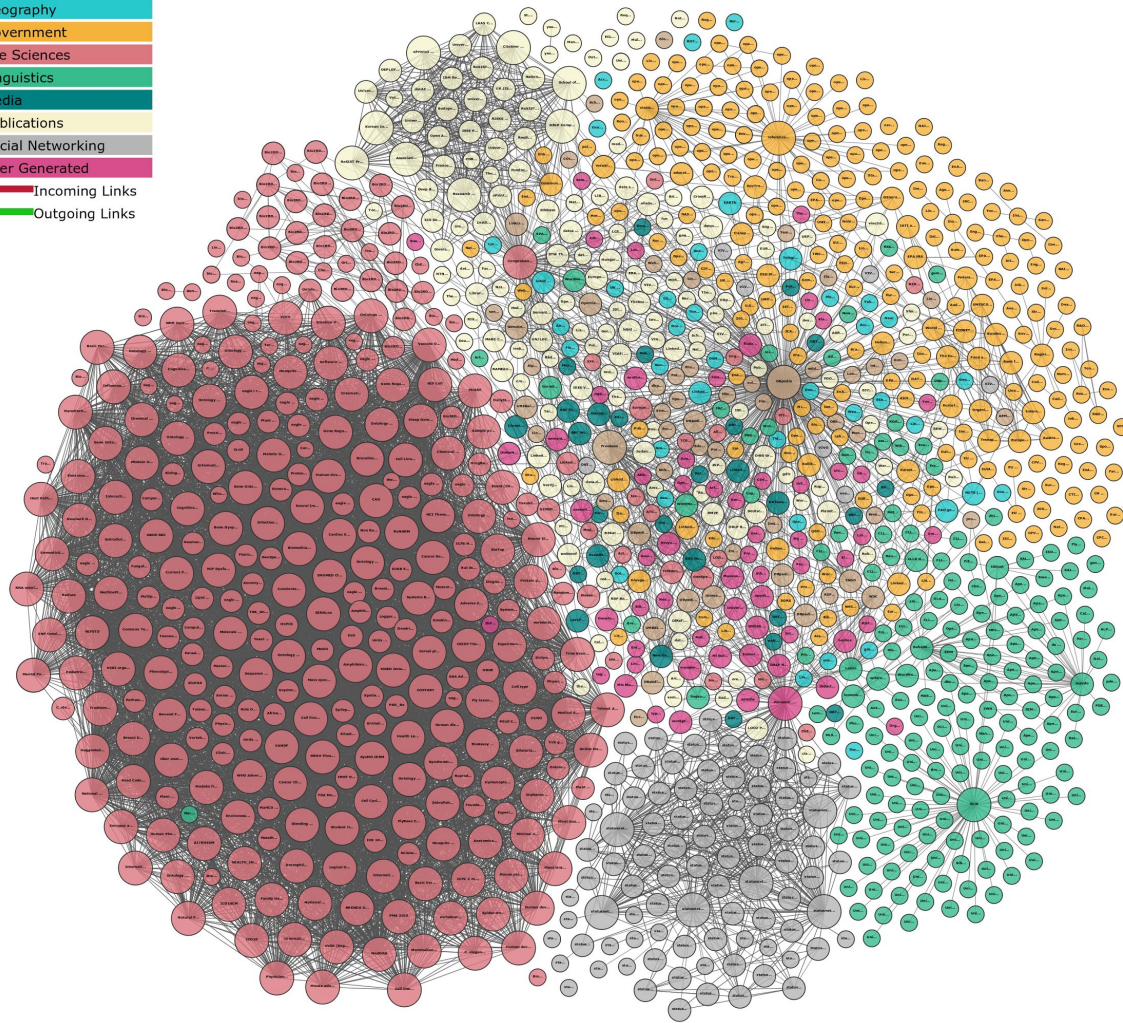
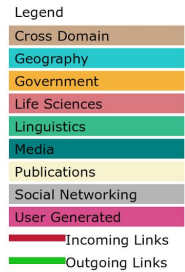
Linked Data Finland (LDF.fi): Publishing and Using Semantic Data for Research and Applications

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Linked Data Finland

Living Laboratory Data Service for the Semantic Web

This site is the Living Laboratory of the [Linked Data Finland](#) research initiative, conducted by the [Semantic Computing Research Group](#) at [Aalto University](#) in collaboration with University of Helsinki and a large consortium of Finnish public organizations and companies.

Our goal is to make life easier for both publishers as well as consumers of structured data on the Web. We base our work on the [Linked Data](#) paradigm and stack of standards, which combines an expressive, semantic data model ([RDF](#)) with standardized access mechanisms ([SPARQL](#) and [live HTTP URIs](#)).

5-star Linked Data

The baseline of our work is the [5-star Linked Data model](#), proposed [originally](#) by Tim Berners-Lee.

- ★ Make data available on the Web in whatever format.
- ★★ Make data available as structured data (e.g., Excel instead of an image scan of a table).
- ★★★ Use non-proprietary formats (e.g., CSV instead of Excel format).
- ★★★★ Use URIs to denote things, so that people can point at your data.
- ★★★★★ Link your data to other data to provide context.

7-star Linked Data Service

However, in our opinion, providing 5-star Linked Data is just the beginning. To actually make use of the datasets, consumers need more support in getting to know and access them, as well as a better grasp of their quality and provenance. To this end, we extend the model with two additional stars:

- ★★★★★ Provide your data with a schema and documentation so that people can *understand and re-use* your data easily.
- ★★★★★★ Validate your data and denote its provenance so that people can *trust the quality* of your data.

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Our "7-star" model and LDF.fi data hotel

Goals: enhance re-usability and data quality

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Semantic Finlex

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This dataset includes data regarding Finnish legislation and court decisions. The RDF data has been converted using data from the Finlex service; we call the new dataset Semantic Finlex. Special thanks to the Ministry of Justice, Edita Publishing Ltd. and Talentum Corp.

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Detailed Dataset Contents

Finnish Legislation (URI: <http://ldf.fi/finlex/laki/>)



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Finnish acts and decrees.

Example resource URI: <http://ldf.fi/finlex/laki/statute-sd18890039>

Finnish Court Decisions (URI: <http://ldf.fi/finlex/oikeus/>)



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Decisions of the Supreme Court and the Supreme Administrative Court.

Example resource URI: <http://ldf.fi/finlex/oikeus/courtKKO>

Schemas Used

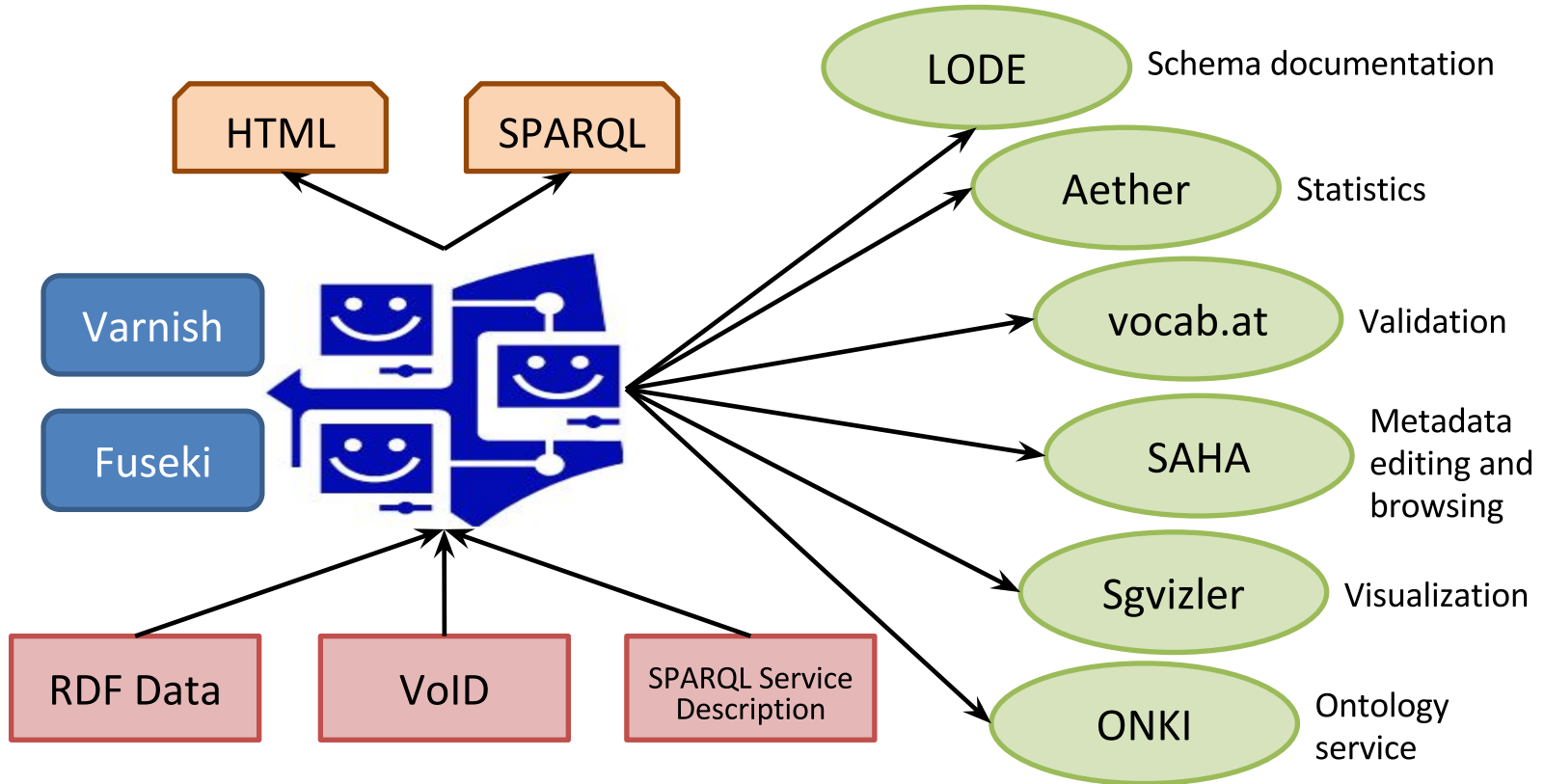
Following schemas (vocabularies) are used in the datasets above:

- Schema: <http://purl.org/finlex/schema/laki/>
- Schema: <http://purl.org/finlex/schema/oikeus/>

Vocabulary Usage Analysis and Quality Issues

Following analyses tell what schemas (vocabularies) are used in the dataset graphs and how they have been used. Issues on data quality are pointed out.

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