



Use of Ontologies within the Open Geospatial Consortium

Luis Bermudez. Ph.D.
Director of Interoperability Certification
2012-11-01

Slide title



- Clarifications
 - OGC
 - Ontologies
- Need of URIs at OGC
- Management of OGC URIs
- GeoSPARQL
- Cool Experiments

OGC



475 volunteer
organizations

4307 Users

60 Standards

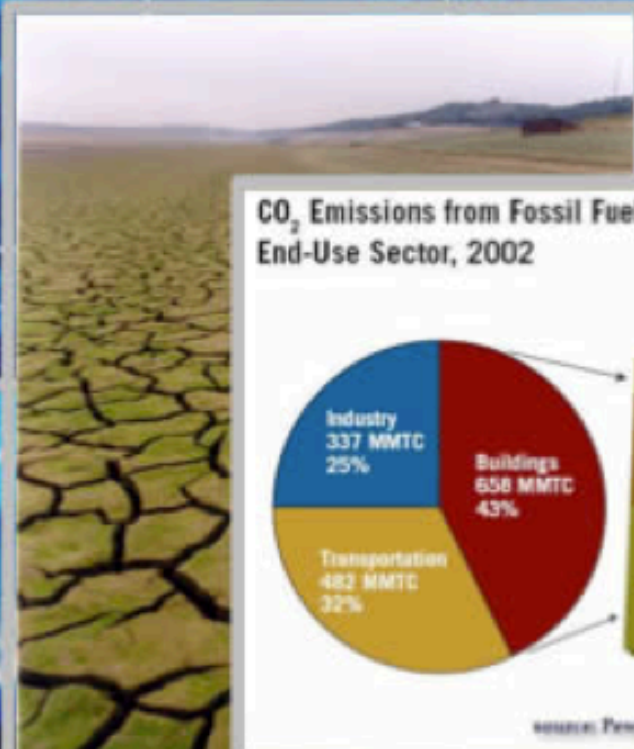
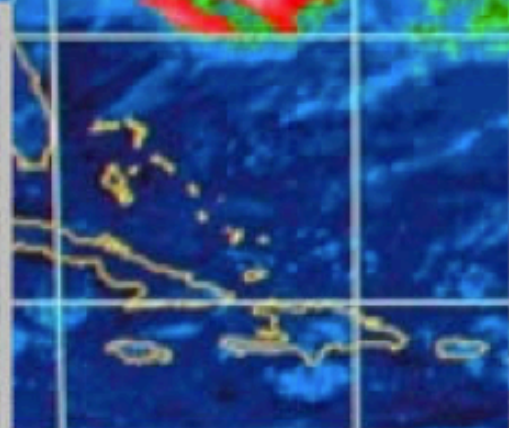
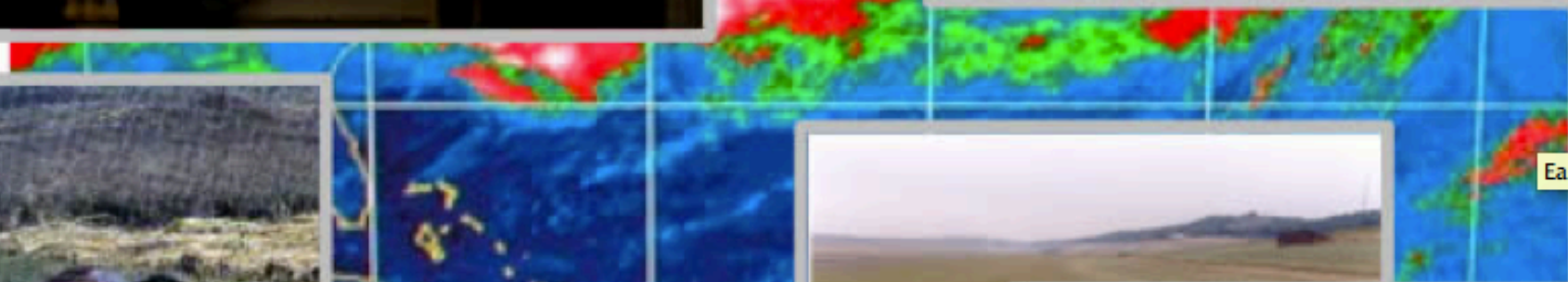
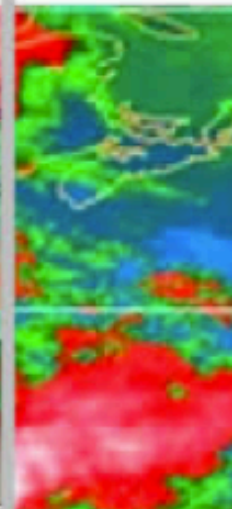


OGC



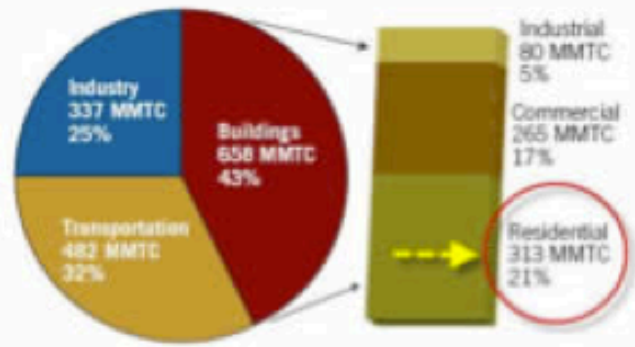
OGC





Earth science

CO₂ Emissions from Fossil Fuel Combustion by End-Use Sector, 2002



source: Pew Center on Global Climate Change

IEEE

GEOSCIENCE *and* REMOTE SENSING

Newsletter



Cumulative Issue #157 December 2010 ISSN 0274-6338

GEOSCIENCE DEPENDS ON GEOSPATIAL INFORMATION STANDARDS

Siri Jodha Khalsa, University of Colorado, US

George Percivall, Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC), US

OGC[®]

IGARSS 2010 Session: International Open Standards for Geosciences – Standards Development

**THE IEEE COMMITTEE ON EARTH OBSERVATIONS
STANDARDS WORKING GROUP**

**GEOSS, INSPIRE AND GMES,
AN ACTION IN SUPPORT (GIGAS)**

**A DISTRIBUTED LIDAR PROCESSING
MODEL BASED ON OWS AND BPEL**

**AIR QUALITY COMMUNITY EXPERIENCES
AND PERSPECTIVES ON INTERNATIONAL
INTEROPERABILITY STANDARDS**

**OPEN STANDARDS IN THE INTEGRATED
OCEAN OBSERVING SYSTEM (IOOS)**

So..

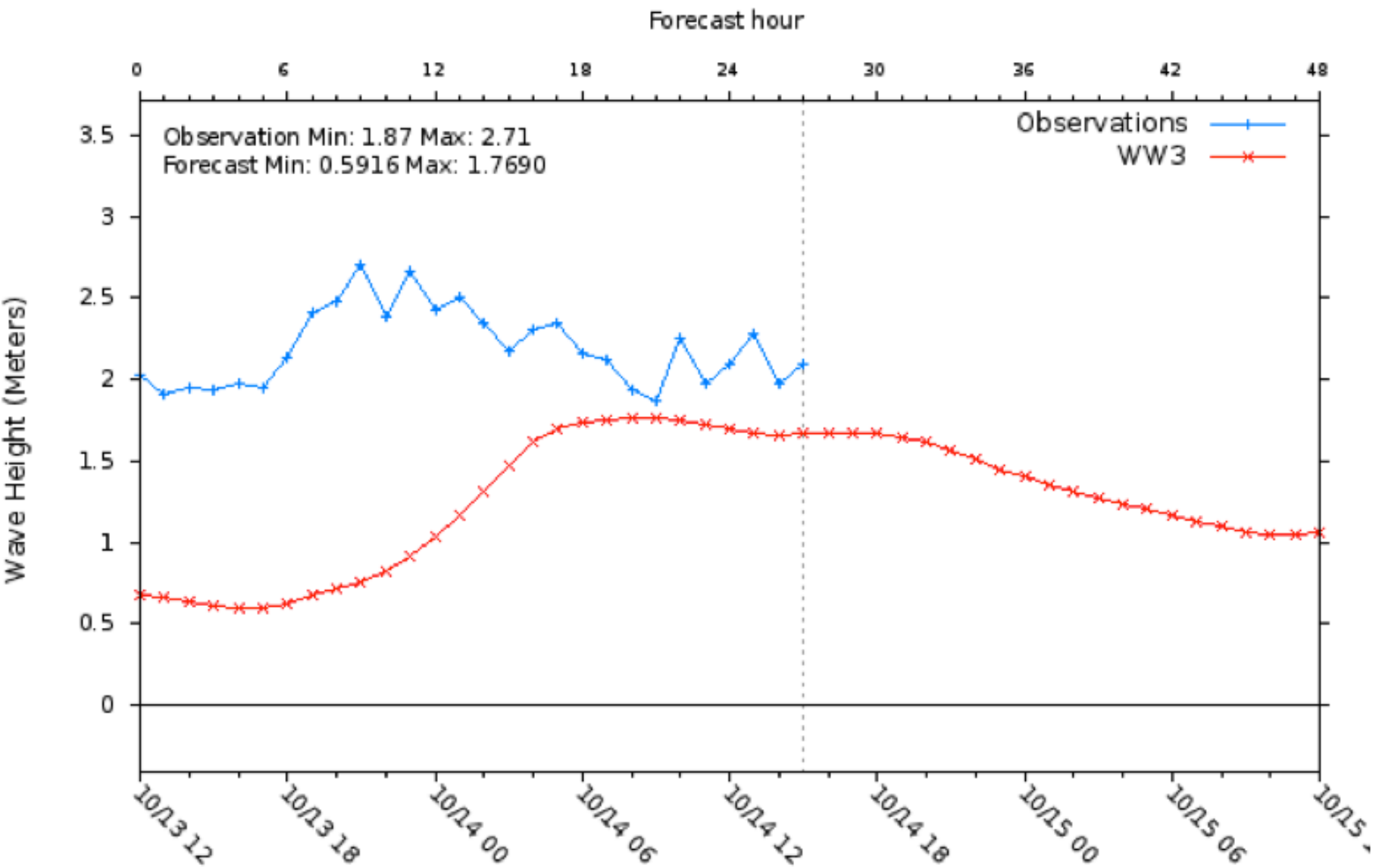


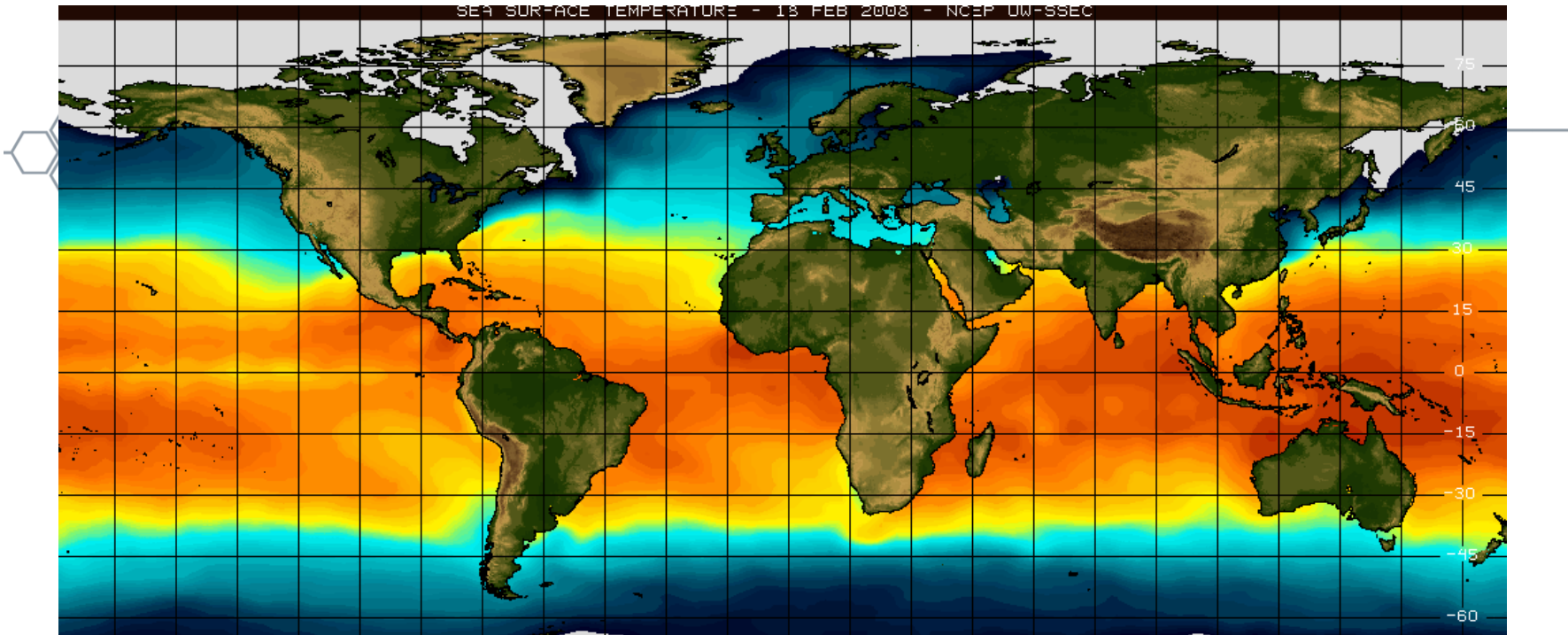
Some data use in Science is served via OGC standards

- netCDF
- KML
- WMS
- SOS
- WPS

Observation - 24/7 Model Timeseries Comparison

Wave Height (Observed/Model Data Comparison) - Buoy 44004
(NDBC Observations/WW3 Model)





**SST, sea water
temperature, water
temperature, temp ...**



**SST Records.
1978 formed
Record Label**



**Supersonic
transport
(SST)**

Also in metadata elements



Resource Form

URI: <http://motherlode.u...>

URI: http://mmisw.org/ont/ooi-ci/om#Observation_1

Annotations

Other Properties

cdm:com

cdm:hist

cdm:inst

cdm:source

cdm:title

METAR Data from NWS

cdm:variable

air_pressure_at_sea_level

air_temperature

lowerCornerLong

-122.4

observedProperty

sea_water_electrical_conductivity

sea_water_salinity

sea_water_temperature

in the Monterey Bay. The mooring has

Is variable the same as observed property?

Ontologies



- Is a specification of a conceptualization – Gruber
- We explicit identify a class and a resource and make a URI
- Keep it simple
- We create classes and properties to fit our needs
- We are not creating upper upper formal ontologies

OGC Produces Hundreds of artifacts per year



OGC Standards List

Specification Profiles

Abstract Specification

OGC Reference Model

OGC Schema Updates

Public Engineering Reports

TC Policy Directives

GeoDRM Reference Model

Best Practices

Discussion Papers

Deprecated Documents

Retired Documents

Requests (RFP's, RFQ's...)








White Papers

Change Requests

Submit Change Request or Requirement

64 Change Requests were submitted in 2011



Direction Information for the Transition UML class in the data model 	11-151	JeaJun Yoo	2011-10-19
Incorrect reference in ows19115subset.xsd 	11-156	David Valentine	2011-10-19
Temporal Constraints for State and Transition UML class in the data model 	11-149	JeaJun Yoo	2011-10-19
WMTS 1.0 Change Request - Conform to OGC 08-131r3 ModSpec 	11-155	Paul Daisey	2011-10-19
Ambiguity in GetRecords TypeName parameter for CAT 2.0.2 	11-173	Enrico Boldrini	2011-12-14
Ambiguity in GetRecords TypeName parameter for ISO Metadata AP 1.0 	11-174	Enrico Boldrini	2011-12-14
Implementation of required valueOf() function will reduce query/filter efficiency. 	11-177	Panagiotis (Peter) A. Vretanos	2011-12-14

Formal identification



Uniform Resource Names (URN) Namespaces

Last Updated

2012-04-23

Note

This is the Official IANA Registry of URN Namespaces

This registry is also available in [plain text](#).

epcglobal	35	[RFC5134]
cgi	36	[RFC5138]
ogc	37	[RFC5165]
ebu	38	[RFC5174]
3gpp	39	[RFC5279]
dvb	40	[RFC5328]
pena	41	[RFC6061]

IANA RFC 5165



A Uniform Resource Name (URN) Namespace for the Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC)

```
urn:ogc:{OGCresource}:{ResourceSpecificString}
```

An operational OGC URN "resolver" is available at <http://urn.opengis.net/>. The resolver provides a registry of the currently member approved OGC URN's used in currently approved and implemented OGC standards.

The OGC Naming Authority is a permanent OGC resource. The documents and related OGC URN resources, such as the URN resolver, have stable URLs. The ONA reference is <http://www.opengeospatial.org/ogcna>.

URLs or URNs ?



http URIs ✓

We identify more than documents



OGC Definition types










<http://www.opengis.net/def/def-type/>



label	OGC Definition types	
created	14/02/2012	
creator	OGC Naming Authority	
member	Authorities for definitions endorsed by the OGC	
	Classification schemes	
	Coordinate axes	
	Coordinate Axis Directions	
	Coordinate operation methods	
	Coordinate operation parameters	
	Coordinate Operations	
	Coordinate Reference Systems	
	Coordinate Systems	
	Data or processing service types	
	Datatypes	

















OGC Document element types

<http://www.opengis.net/def/doc-element/>

label	OGC Document element types	
created	14/02/2012	  
creator	OGC Naming Authority	
member	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Document clause Document figure Document table Term and definition 	
see also	<ul style="list-style-type: none">ogc-na-policiesDOC	

Coverage Type

<http://www.opengis.net/def/coverageType/OGC-EO/>

title	CoverageType	
label	Coverage Type Coverage Types	 
modified	11/10/2012	  
created	2010-11-23	
creator	European Space Agency Spot Image S.A.	 
definition	Specifies if the imagery should be acquired in one or multiple passes	
member	Mono-Pass Mono-Pass Multi-Pass Multi-Pass Single Swath Single Swath	     

Vocabulary Server



1. Vocabularies are formalized using RDF/SKOS
2. Expert users want to connect to a SPARQL endpoint
3. Normal users need a simple interface with basic queries
 - “find concept by-label”
4. Vocabularies are strongly governed
 - read-only access for most users
5. **Service owner \neq content URI owner**
 - same content may be hosted in multiple services



- OGC Definition URIs are hosted/redirected to SISSvoc

def.seegrid.csiro.au/sissvoc/ogc-def/concept?labelcontains=water

SISSvoc

OGC Definitions Service

form

Search Results

Waterml definitions

WaterML definitions

Ground Water

Soil Water

Pore Water

Water

<http://def.seegrid.csiro.au/sissvoc/ogc-def/concept?labelcontains=water>

<http://www.opengis.net/def/waterml/2.0/medium/PoreWater>

OGC Naming Authority



- Subcommittee of the Technical Committee (TC)
- Manages the register resources
- Coordinates with OGC staff the publication of the registry
- Every standard that is submitted for publication passes through the OGG-NA

Conclusions OGC URIs



- Some Science Data is published via OGC Standards
- OGC standards now are filled of URIs to identify OGC resources and standards related resources
- Governed and maintained by OGC Naming Authority

OGC GeoSPARQL - A Geographic Query Language for RDF Data



Approval Date: 2012-04-27

Publication Date: 2012-09-10

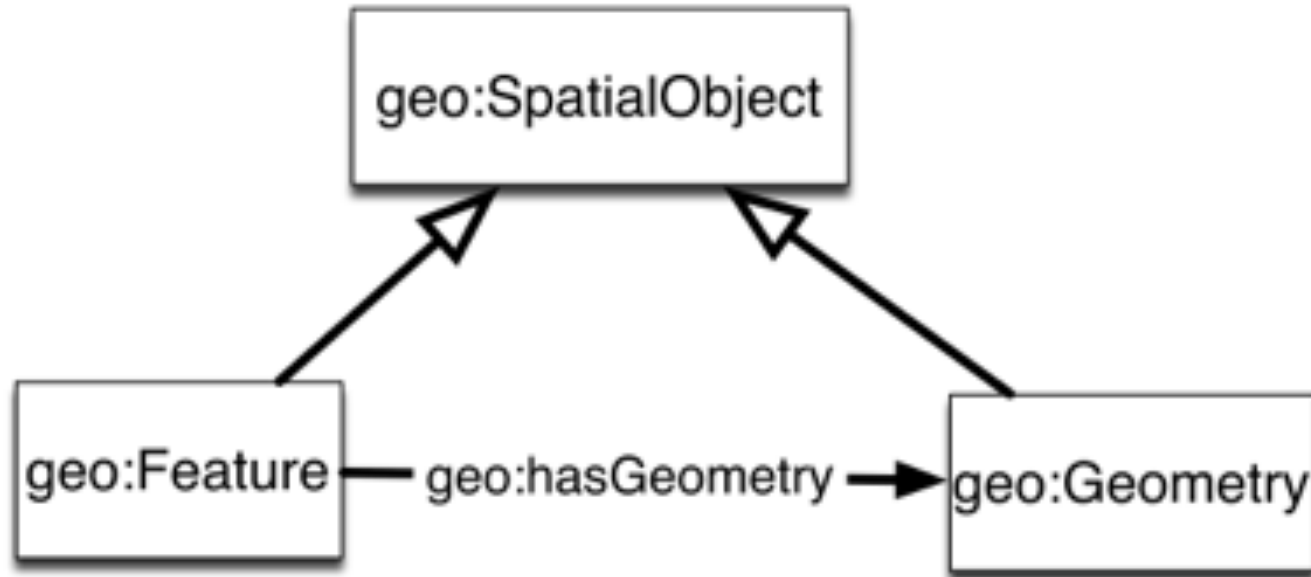
Document uri: <http://www.opengis.net/doc/IS/geosparql/1.0>

Reference number of this OGC[®] project document: OGC 11-052r4

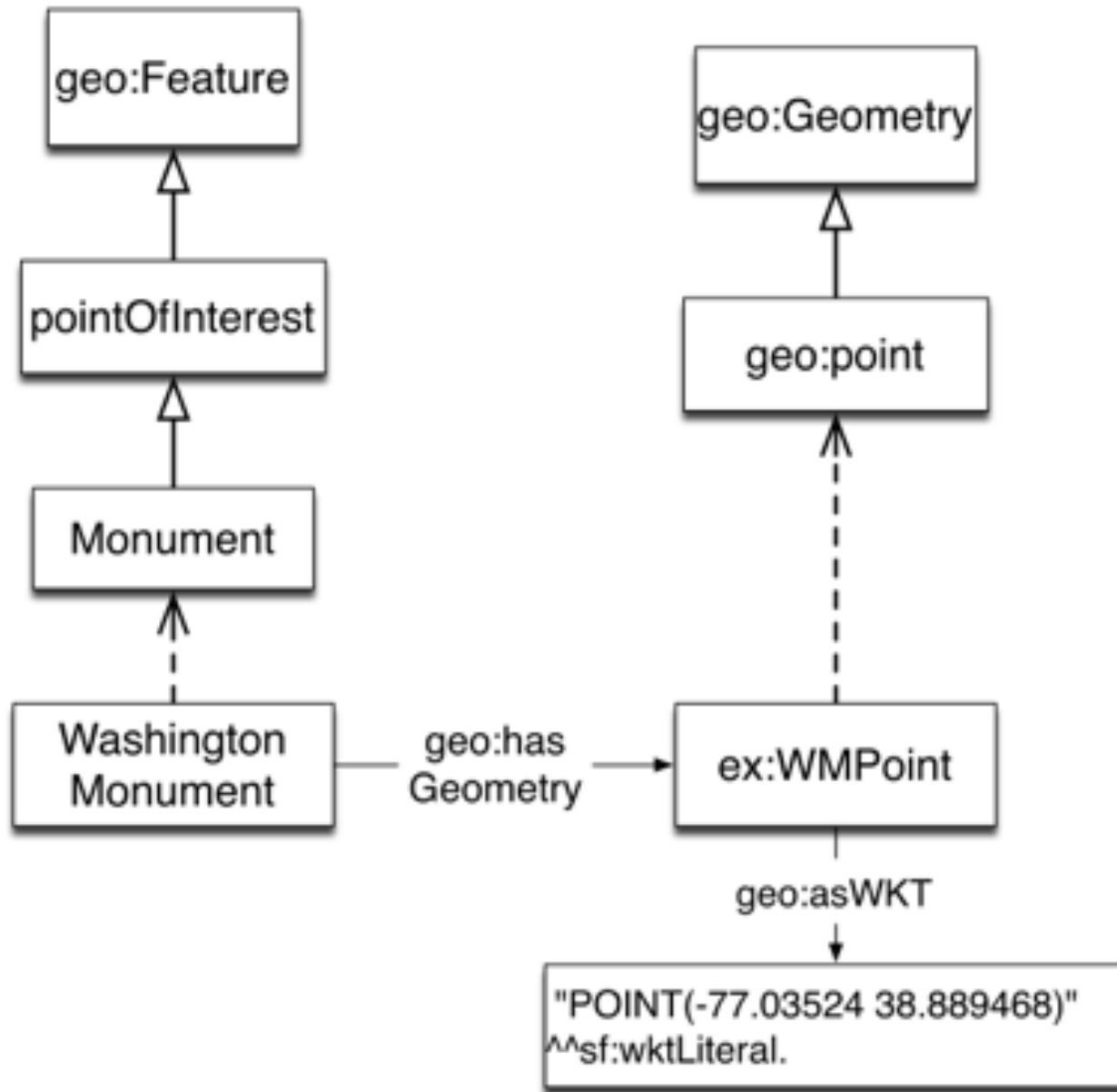
Version: 1.0

Category: OGC[®] Implementation Standard

Editors: Matthew Perry and John Herring



<http://www.opengis.net/ont/geosparql>



Geospatial Properties



■ geo:ehContains

■ geo:ehCoveredBy

■ geo:ehCovers

■ geo:ehDisjoint

■ geo:ehEquals

■ geo:ehInside

■ geo:ehMeet

■ geo:ehOverlap

■ geo:sfContains

■ geo:sfCrosses

■ geo:sfDisjoint

■ geo:sfEquals

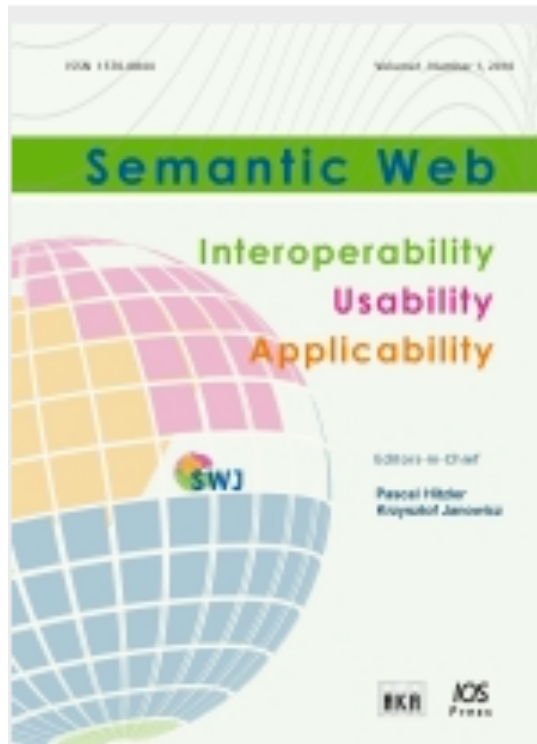
■ geo:sfIntersects

■ geo:sfOverlaps

■ geo:sfTouches

■ geo:sfWithin

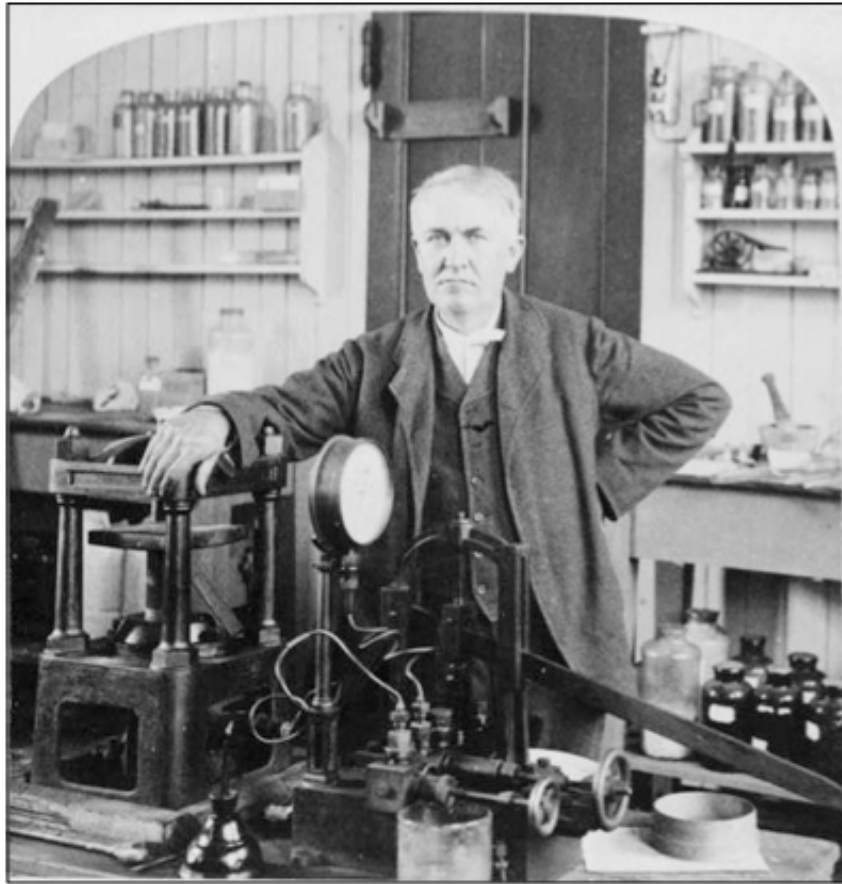
Excellent Article



Enabling the geospatial Semantic Web with Parliament and GeoSPARQL

Journal	Semantic Web
Publisher	IOS Press
ISSN	1570-0844 (Print) 2210-4968 (Online)
Subject	Information Technology, Artificial Intelligence and Theory of Computation
Issue	Volume 3, Number 4 / 2012
Pages	355-370
DOI	10.3233/SW-2012-0065
Subject Group	Computer & Communication Sciences

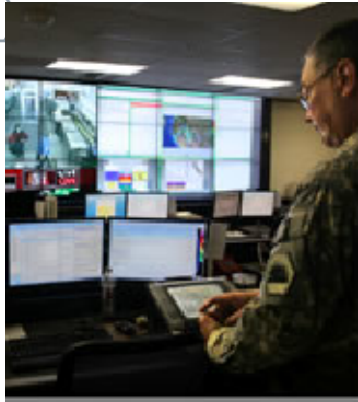
Interoperability Program Activities



I have not failed, I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work.

Thomas Edison

OWS-8 CCI – Motivation Scenario



California National Guard



Monterey Airport Field operator

Prefers

Prefers

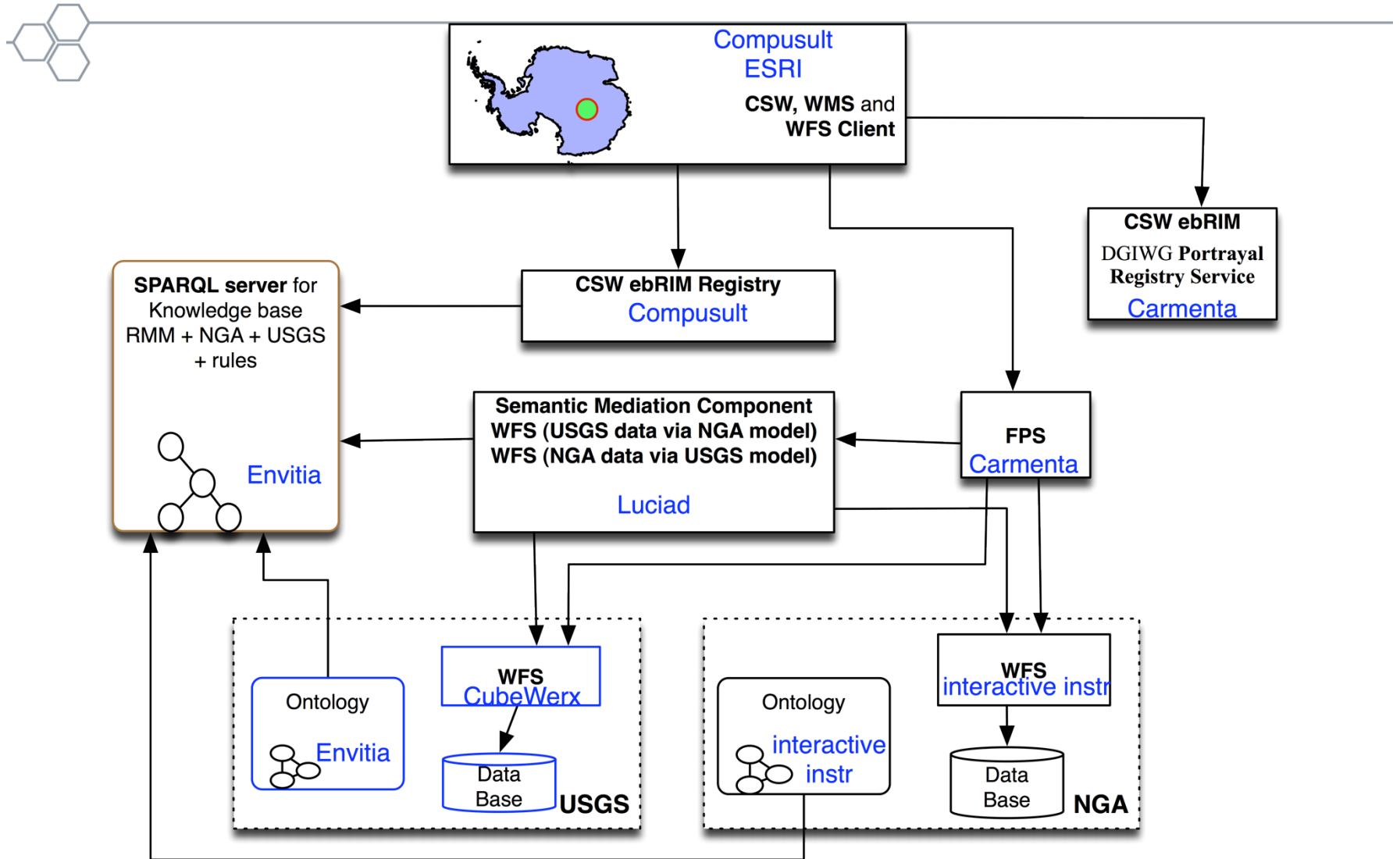
NGA model - Local Topographic Data Store (LTDS)

USGS model - The National Map (TNM)

Mediate



OWS-8 CCI Architecture



OWS-9 CCI Aviation Client



- Pilots terminology
 - Using **Air Transportation Information Ontology**
 - **Includes** Pilot Controller Glossary for the JPAMS project (air traffic control procedures)

7/26/12

Pilot/Controller Glossary

PILOT/CONTROLLER GLOSSARY

PURPOSE

a. This Glossary was compiled to promote a common understanding of the terms used in the Air Traffic Control system. It includes those terms which are intended for pilot/controller communications. Those terms most frequently used in pilot/controller communications are printed in ***bold italics***. The definitions are primarily defined in an operational sense applicable to both users and operators of the National Airspace System. Use of the Glossary will preclude any misunderstandings concerning the system's design, function, and purpose.

b. Because of the international nature of flying, terms used in the Lexicon, published by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), are included when they differ from FAA definitions. These terms are followed by "[ICAO]." For the reader's convenience, there are also cross references to related terms in other parts of the Glossary and to other documents, such as the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) and the Aeronautical Information Manual (AIM).

c. This Glossary will be revised, as necessary, to maintain a common understanding of the system.

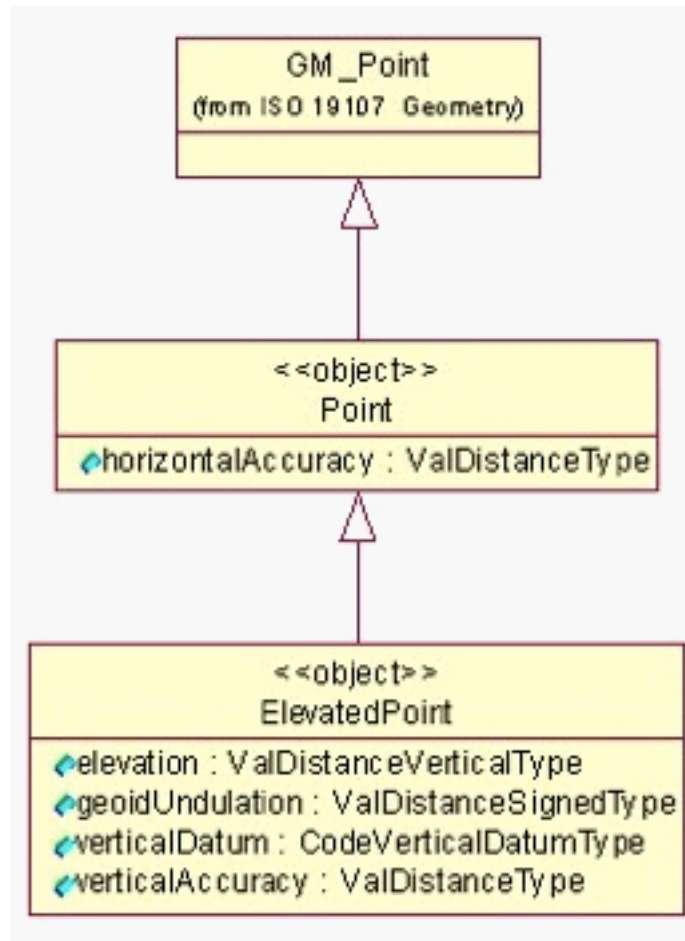
EXPLANATION OF CHANGES

a. Terms Added:
PROTECTED SEGMENT

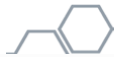
b. Terms Deleted:
OMEGA

c. Editorial/format changes were made where necessary. Revision bars were not used due to the insignificant nature of the changes.

AIXM features

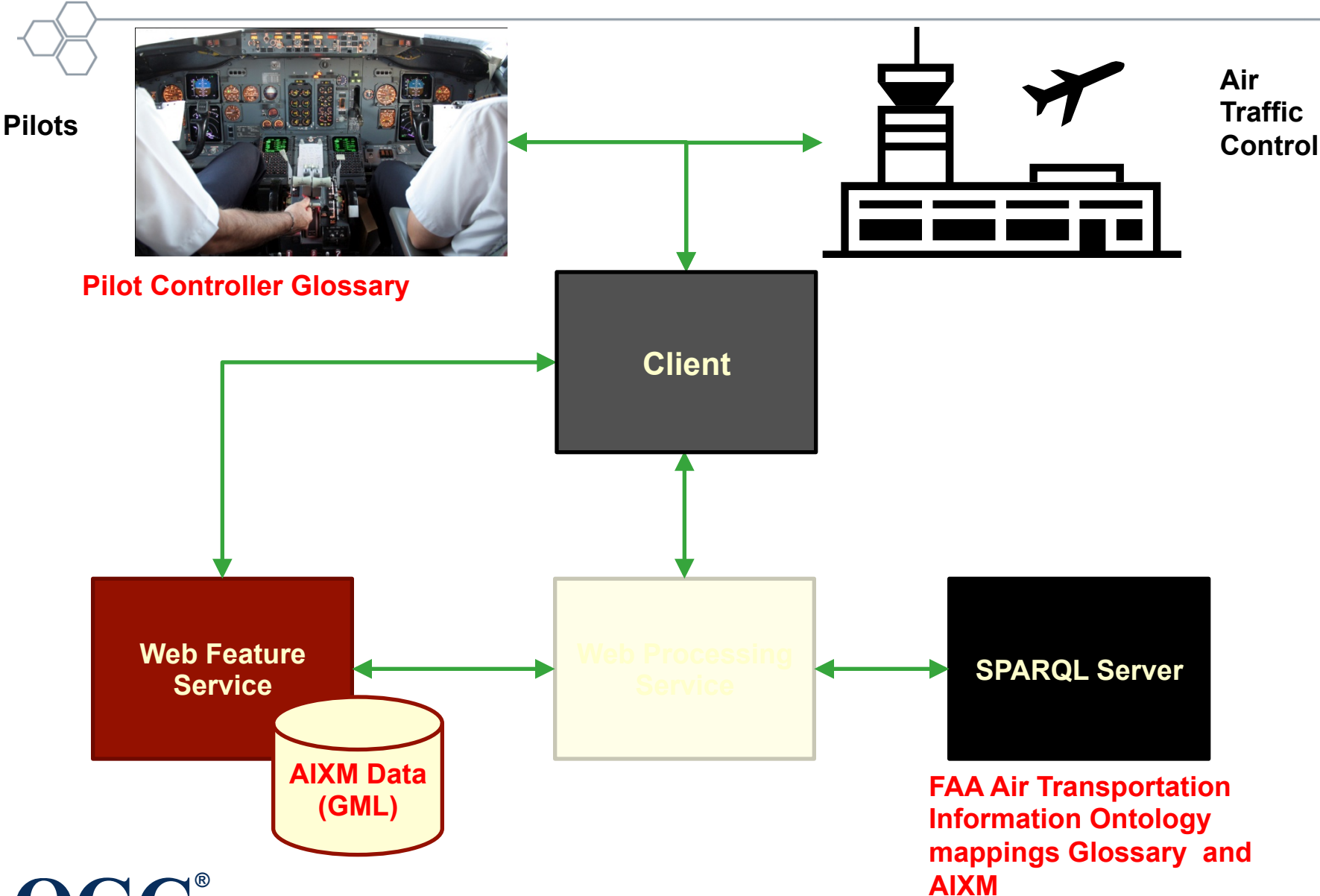


AIXM features



name	TextNameType
locationIndicatorICAO	CodeICAOType
designatorIATA	<pre><aixm:name>QUEEN OF THE VALLEY HOSPITAL</aixm:name> <aixm:type>HP</aixm:type> <aixm:certifiedICAO>NO</aixm:certifiedICAO> <aixm:privateUse>YES</aixm:privateUse> <aixm:controlType>CIVIL</aixm:controlType> <aixm:fieldElevation uom="FT">49</aixm:fieldElevation> <aixm:windDirectionIndicator>YES</aixm:windDirectionIndicator> <aixm:abandoned>NO</aixm:abandoned></pre>
type	
certifiedICAO	CodeYesNoType
privateUse	CodeYesNoType
controlType	CodeMilitaryOperationsType
fieldElevation	ValDistanceVerticalType
fieldElevationAccuracy	ValDistanceVerticalType

OWS-9 CCI Aviation Architecture



OWS9 Geonames



The screenshot shows a GIS application interface. A map of an airport is displayed, with a red taxiway highlighted. A pop-up window titled 'TaxiwayElement' is open, showing the following metadata:

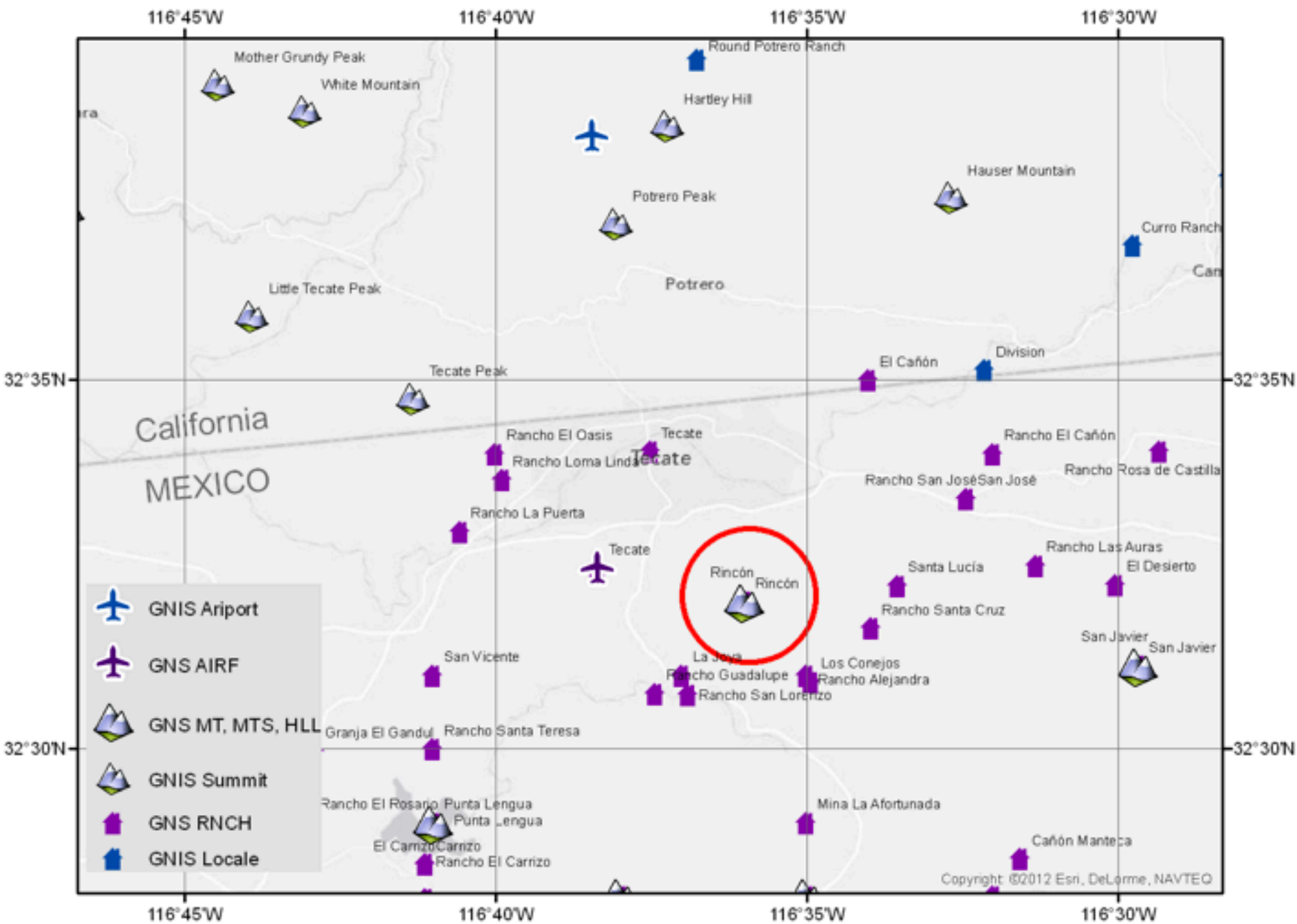
TaxiwayElement
T TS33

Timeslices: [B 1](#)
Surface properties: [CONC](#)
Extent: [ElevatedSurface](#)

Id: TS_T TE33
Valid time: [2008-03-23T14:00:00.000](#)
Interpretation: SNAPSHOT
Sequence number: 0
Correction number: 0

At the bottom of the map, there is a legend entry for 'High Speed Taxiway' with a red 'X' icon. The map also shows 'O'Hare Arrivals' and 'Kennedy Expressway'.

CCI Geonames Demo



Thank you



- Luis Bermudez lbermudez@opengeospatial.org
- Blog: Is OGC playing with LinkedData <http://www.opengeospatial.org/blog/1673>