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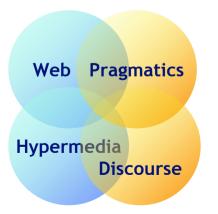
Hypermedia Discourse: Theory & Technology for the Pragmatic Web?

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web pragmatics?

the Pragmatic Web?

pragmatic webs?

"THE PRAGMATIC WEB CONFERENCE is a unique forum to envision and debate how the emerging social, semantic, multimedia Web mediates the ways in which we construct shared meaning. While there is much research and development into topics relevant to this challenge such as collaboration, usability, knowledge representation, and social informatics, the Pragmatic Web conference provides common ground for dialogue at the nexus of these topics." CONTEXT When contexts change, meanings change in conversations, documents, and models of the world. How does this shape our use for formal semantics on the Web?

CONVERSATION This is how trust is built, and things get done. How do we do this fluently over the web?

What is the interest in the "Pragmatic Web"?

COMMITMENT / ACTION How do we support the expression, and coordination, of commitments over the Web?

Pragmatic Web research challenges

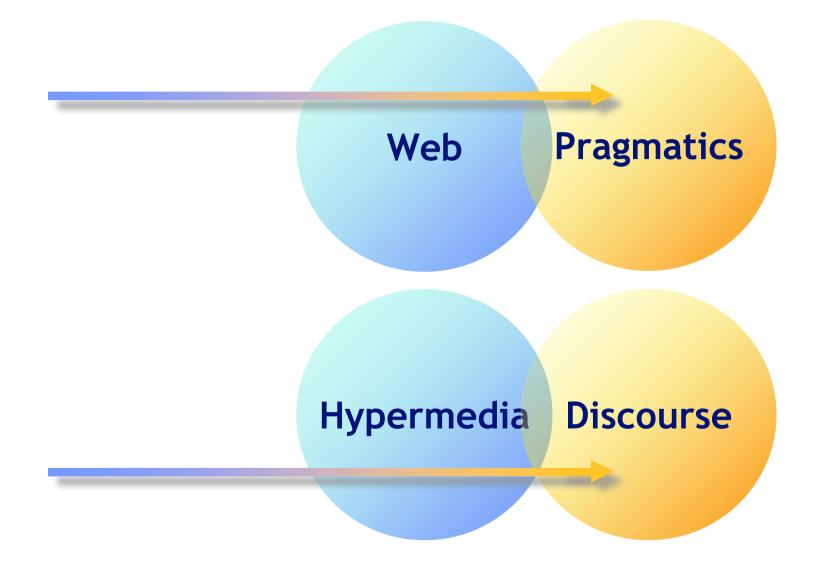
-from the ICPW'07 CfP: www.PragmaticWeb.info

- How can we better understand the usefulness, and limitations, of a concept such as "Web Pragmatics"
- What pragmatic design principles improve websites where trust and commitment to action are central?
- What are the tradeoffs for users of more structured Web collaboration media? (e.g. in learnability, scaleability, intelligibility)
- How can participatory work practices and collaboration tools be orchestrated in the design of the standards, data models and ontologies that underpin data-driven Web applications?

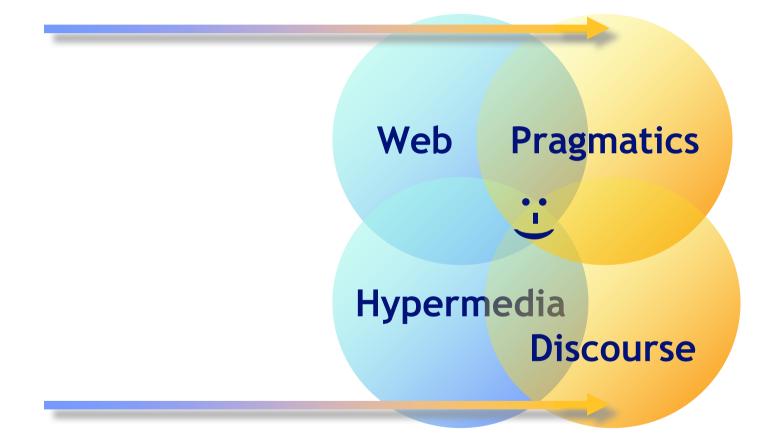
Pragmatic Web research challenges

- What role does pragmatics play in the design of personalised information and personalised actions channelled through the Web?
- What impact (intended or unintended, productive or disruptive) do different levels of computational infrastructure have on Web pragmatics?
- How can we clarify our understandings of increasingly important concepts on the Web such as "social ties", "metadata", "knowledge representation", and "transaction"?
- If "context" is pivotal in making human interaction meaningful, how can we take context into account to improve Web applications?

The essence of this talk:



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Modelling ~ **Discourse**

The discourse of modelling:

How can we support the discourse that drives the development and contextualisation of the models underpinning interactive systems?

Modelling discourse:

Can we usefully model (structure) sensemaking discourse, without in the process obstructing it?

Discourse

Verbal and written workplace communication

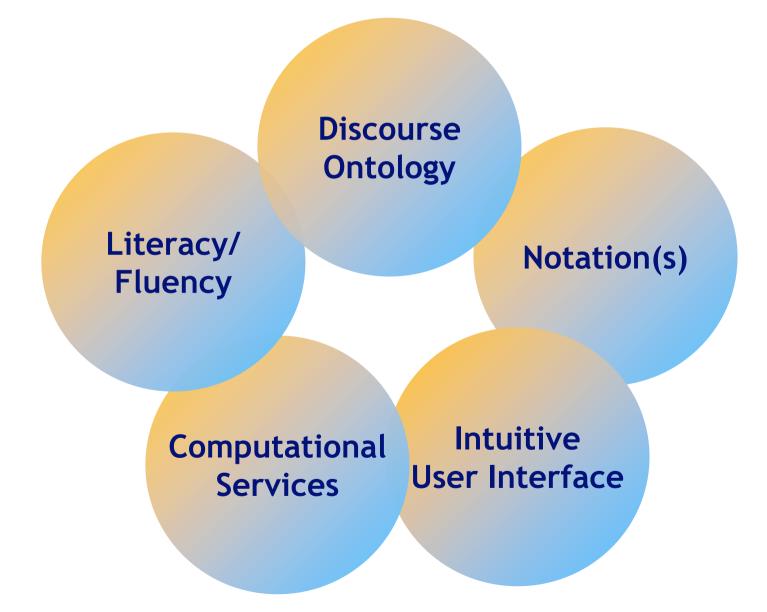
Discourse communities: "making and taking perspectives"

- Dialogue
- Argumentation
- Claim making
- Analytical narrative
- Meetings

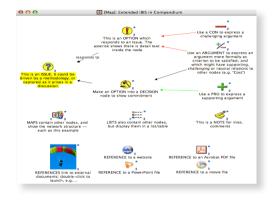
Hypermedia

Modelling discourse relations
Expressing different perspectives on a conceptual space
Supporting the incremental formalization of ideas
Rendering structural visualizations
Connecting heterogeneous content

Characteristics of Hypermedia Discourse

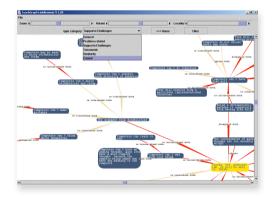


2 examples of Hypermedia Discourse approach and tool support



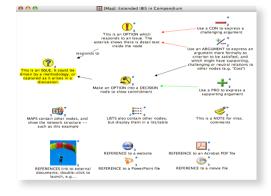
Compendium

- personal or group concept mapping
- real time meeting capture
- participatory modelling
- discourse as semantic hypertext



Scholarly Ontologies Project

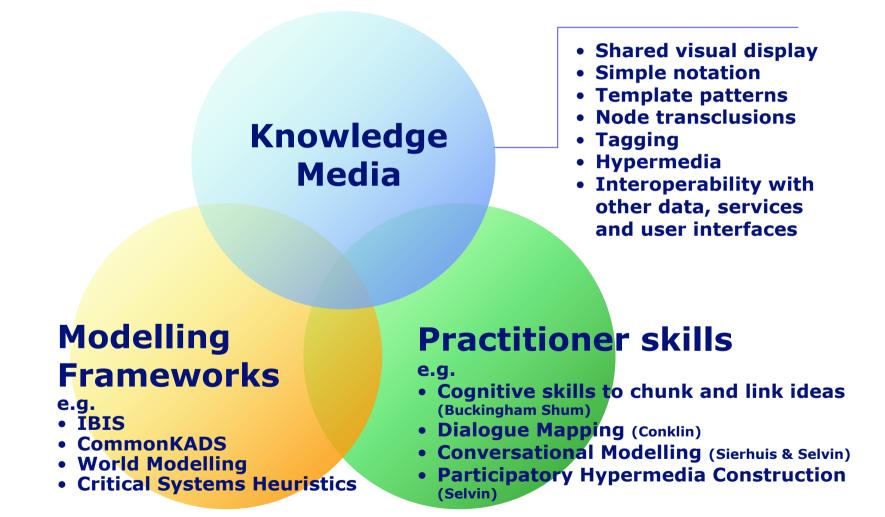
- Web publishing of scholarly claims and argumentation
- discourse as semantic hypertext



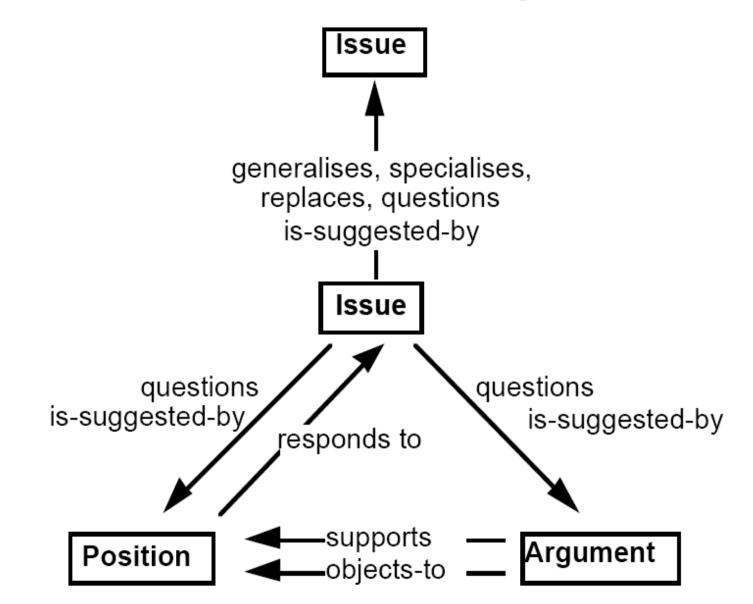
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Key elements of Compendium



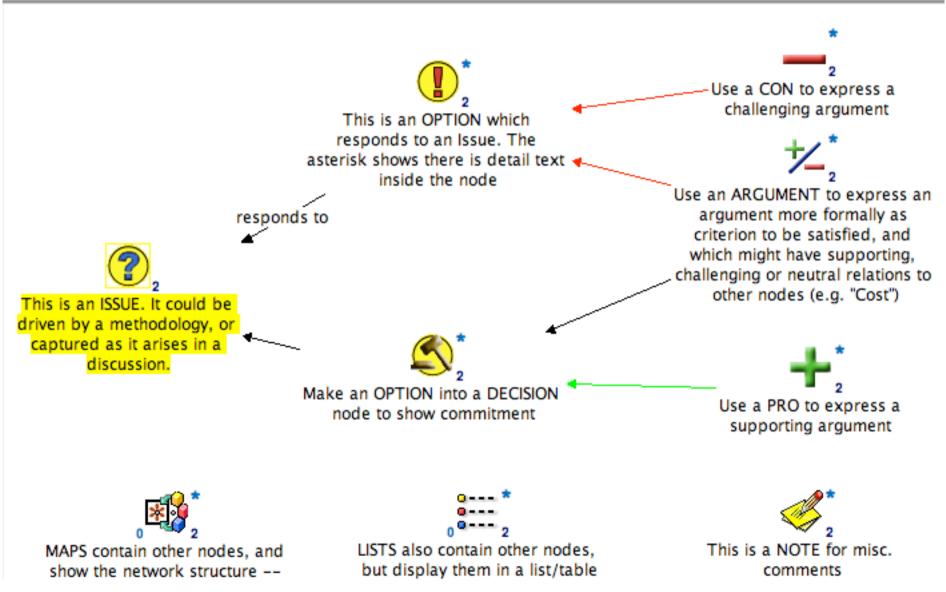
Discourse grounded in Horst Rittel's IBIS: Issue-Based Information System



Compendium: hypertext discourse mapping/conceptual modelling

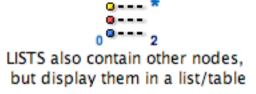
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 * [Map]: Extended IBIS in Compendium





MAPS contain other nodes, and show the network structure -such as this example







REFERENCES link to external documents; double-click to launch, e.g....





REFERENCE to a PowerPoint file



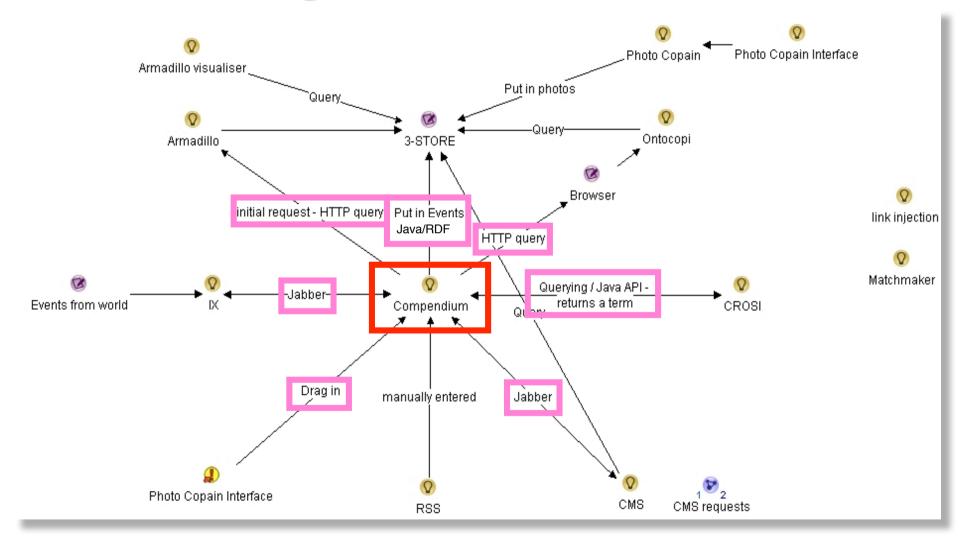
Structure management in Compendium

Associative linking

nodes in a shared context connected by graphical Map links

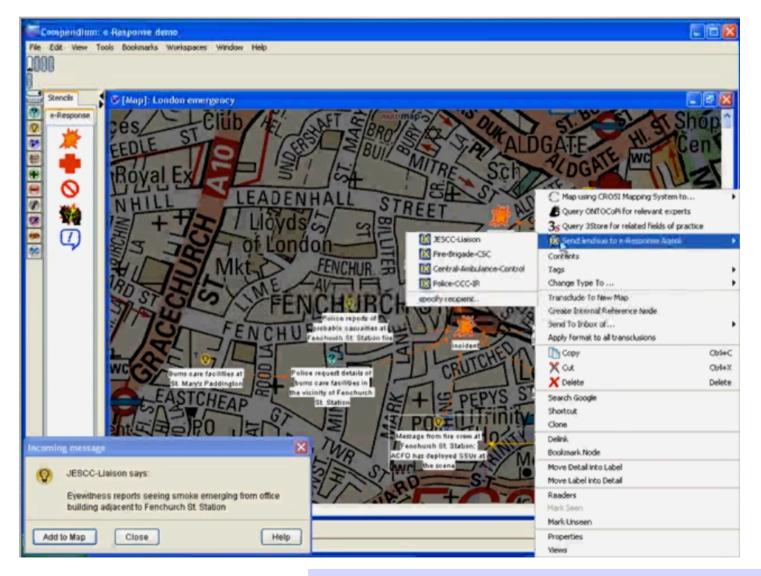
- Categorical membership nodes in different contexts connected by common attributes via metadata Tags
- Hypertextual Transclusion reuse of the same node in different views
- Templates reuse of the same structure in different views
- HTML, XML and RDF data exports for interoperability
- Java and SQL interfaces to add services

Compendium as the technical and intellectual 'glue'



Advanced Knowledge Technologies project: www.aktors.org

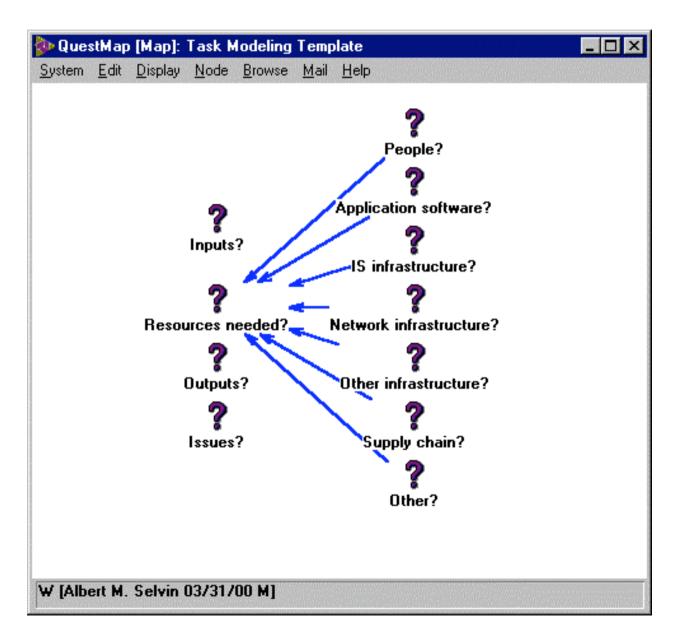
Compendium as sensemaking hub for emergency response semantic web tools



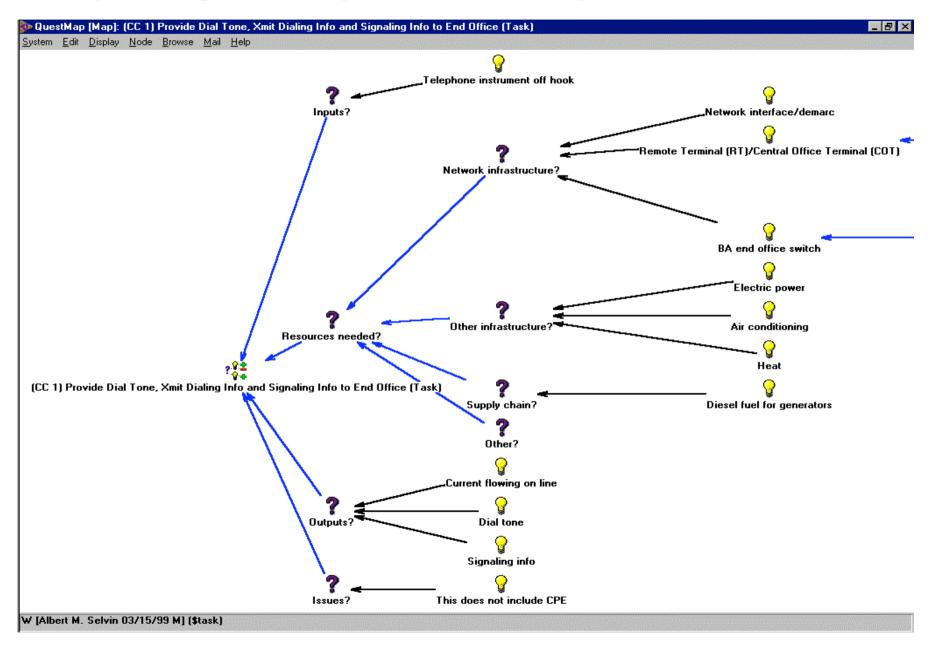
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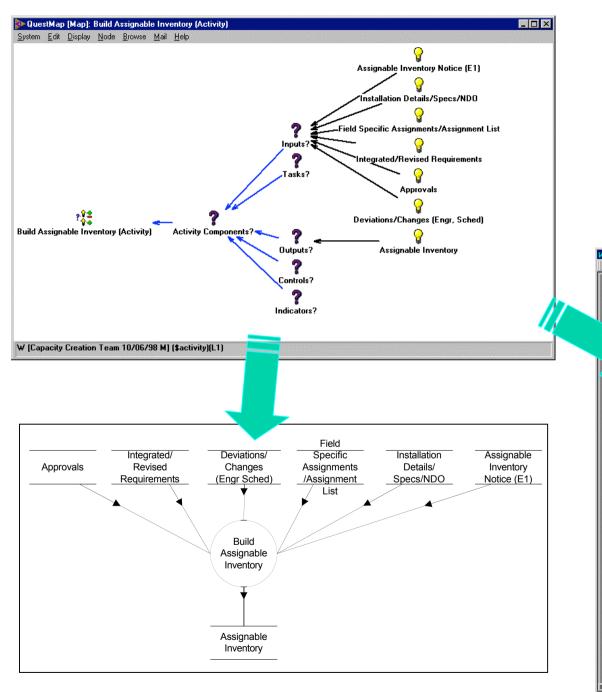
Modelling using Issue-templates

Modelling organisational processes in Compendium using a *Template*



Completing a Compendium template





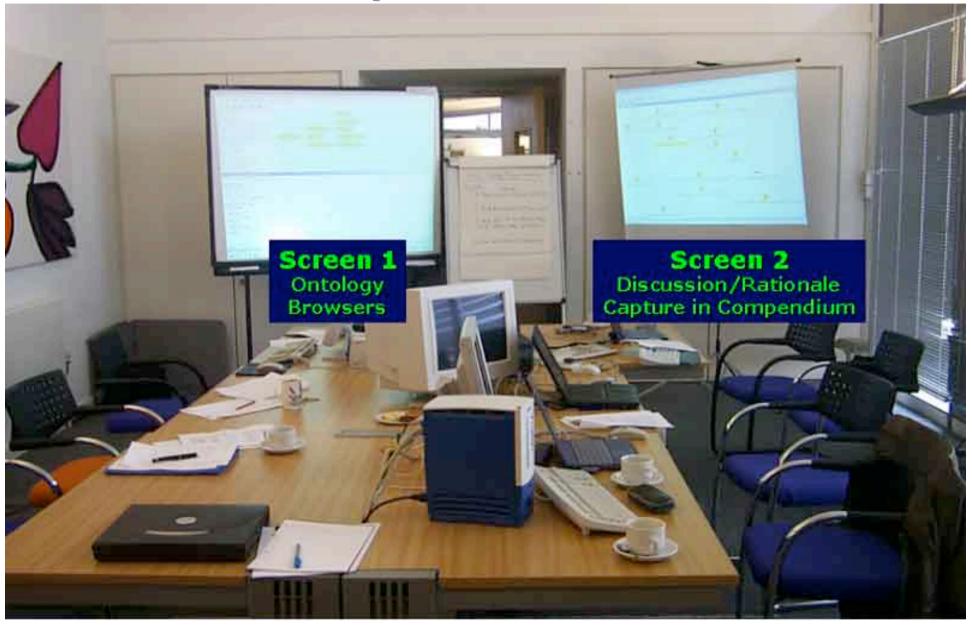
Generating Custom Documents and Diagrams from Compendium Templates

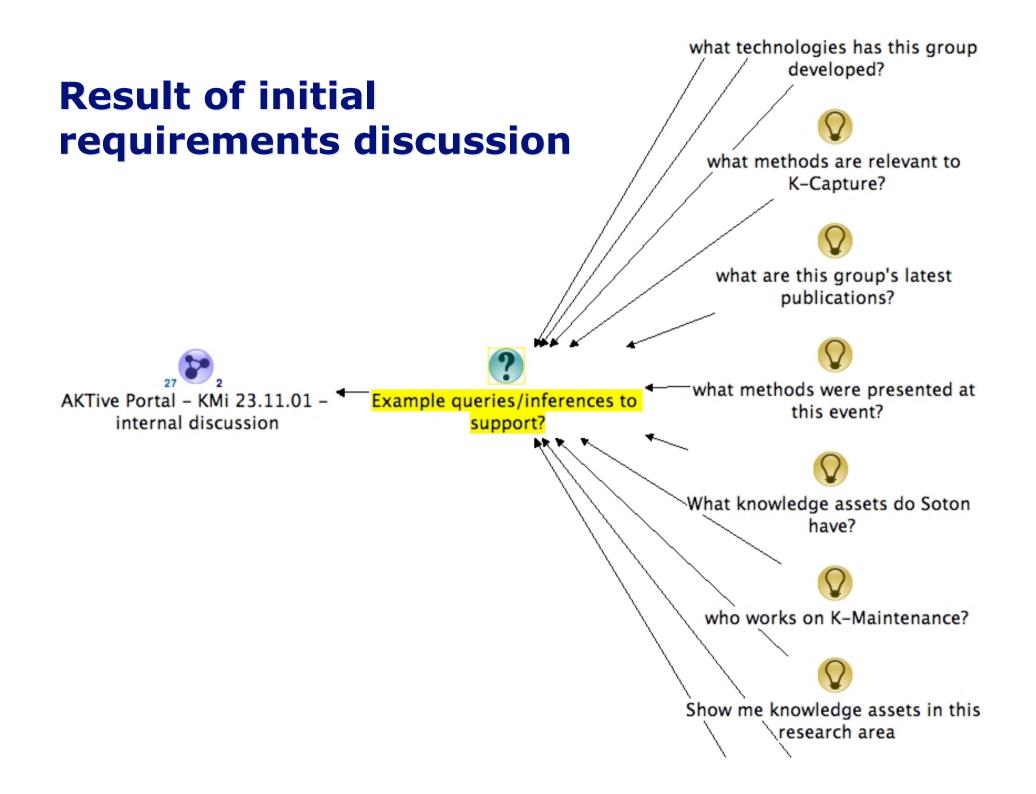
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Collaborative Ontology Design and Merging with Compendium

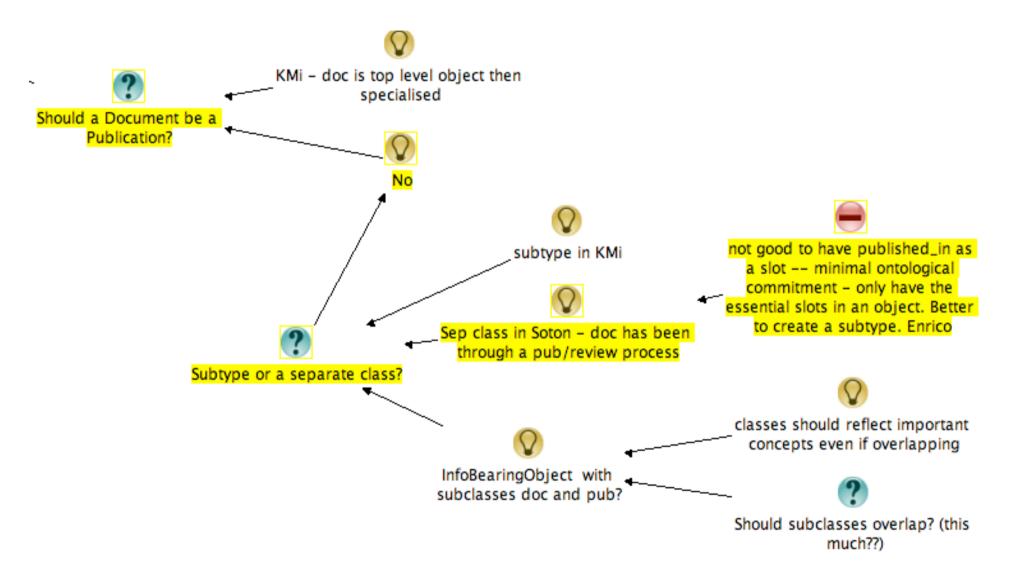
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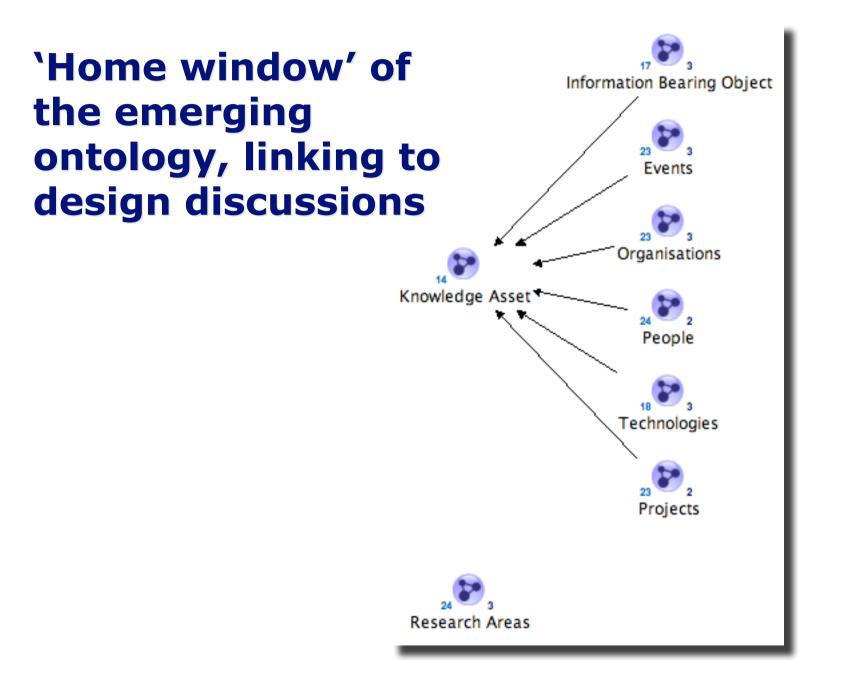
Setup for collaborative ontology design and rationale capture



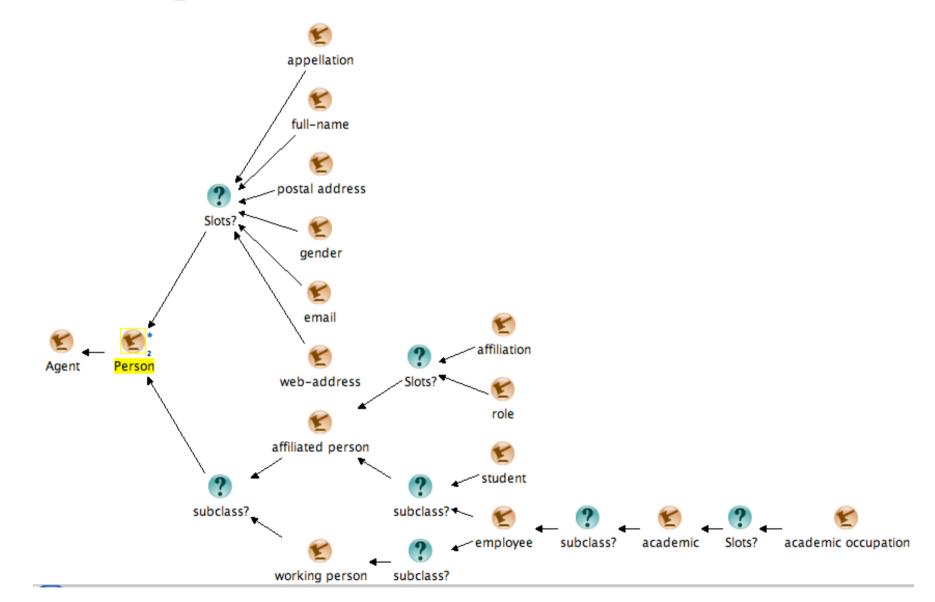


Dialogue Mapping informal discussion





Template-driven Conversational Modelling of ontology class/slot structure



Using Compendium for personnel recovery planning

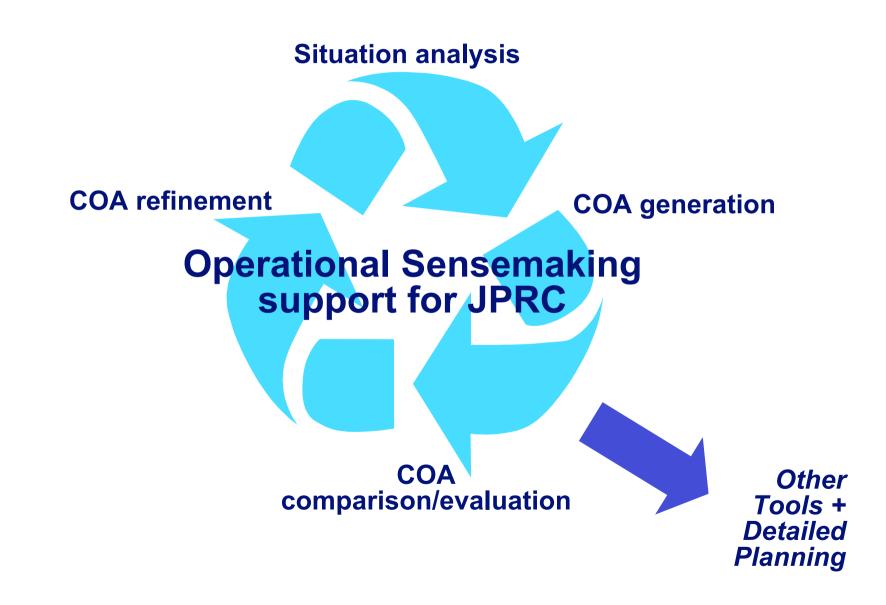
Co-OPR Project (with Austin Tate): http://www.aiai.ed.ac.uk/project/co-opr

Co-OPR – Sample Screens



Left screen: Compendium intelligence database and discussion/rationale capture. Middle screen: I-X Process Panels showing current state of plan execution and situation map Right screen: I-X Process Panels communicating with the external world, e.g. Isolated Personnel

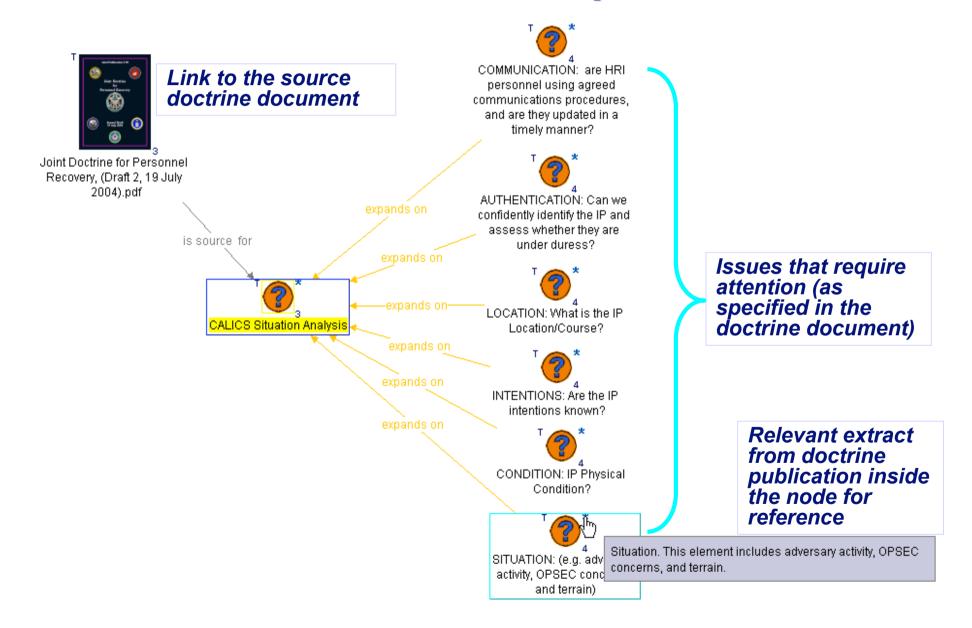
Co-OPR: Operational Sensemaking



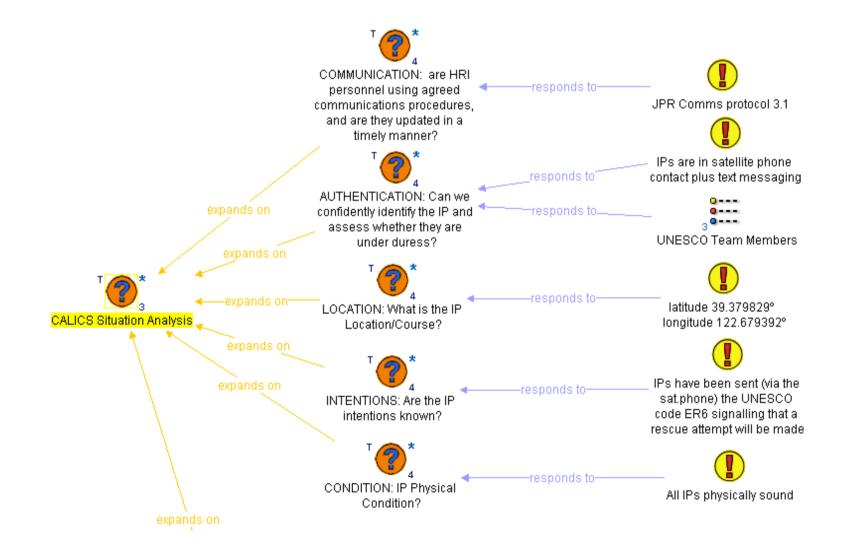
Co-OPR Scenario Information



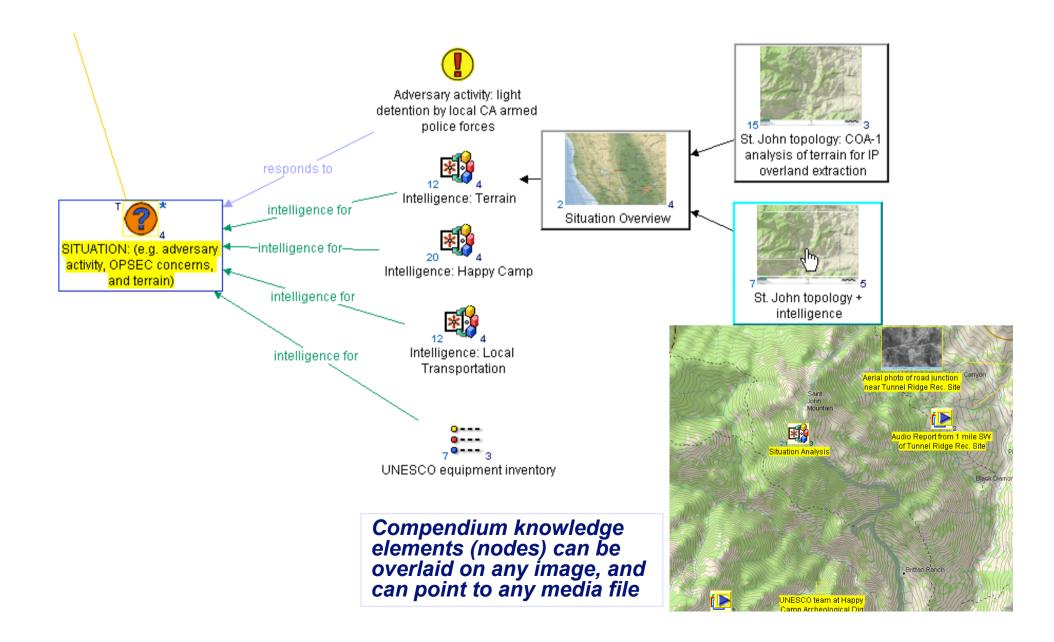
PR Doctrine for Situation Analysis extracted as an Issue Template



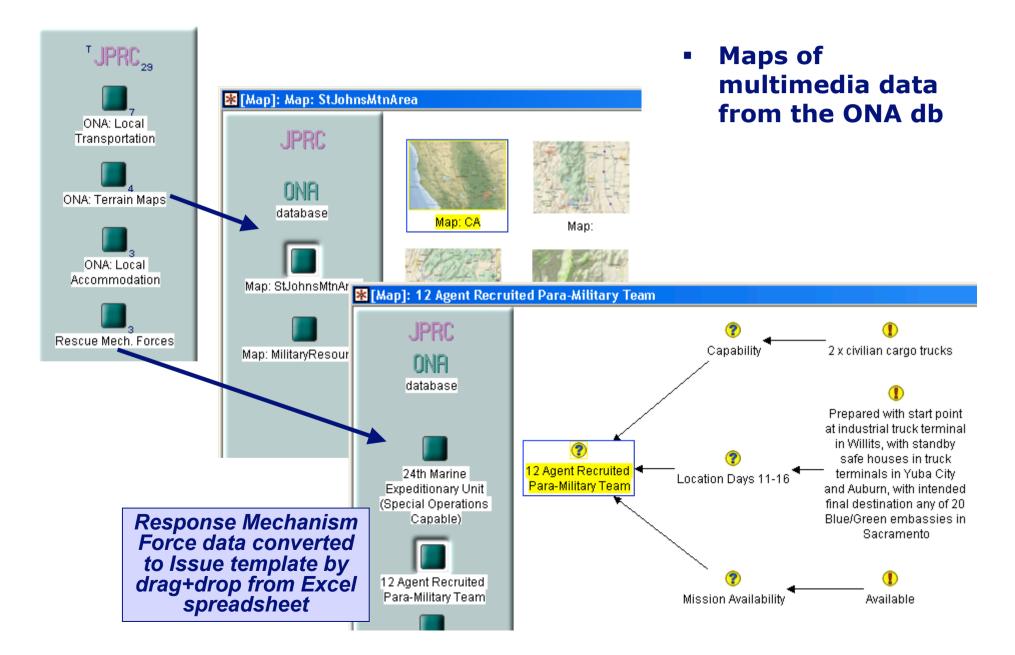
Completed Issue Template (1/2)



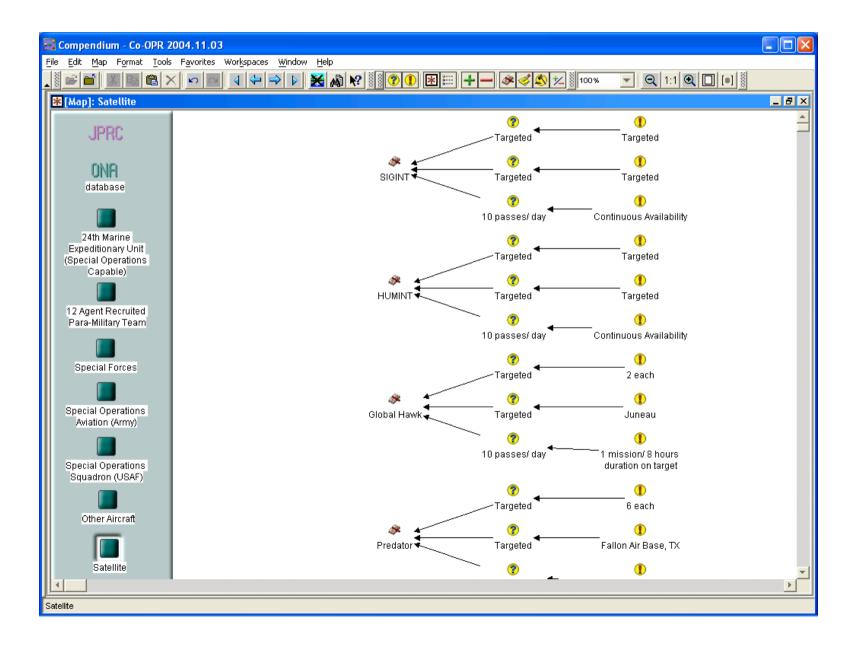
Completed Issue Template (2/2)



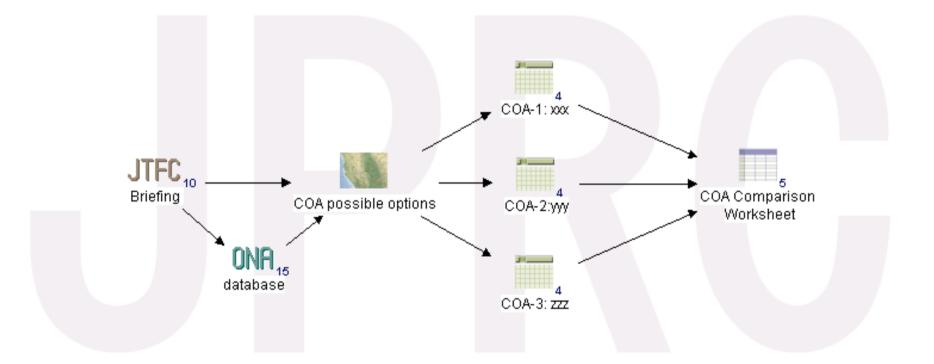
Example ONA database maps



Imported database on Blue Forces



JPRC Compendium Homepage

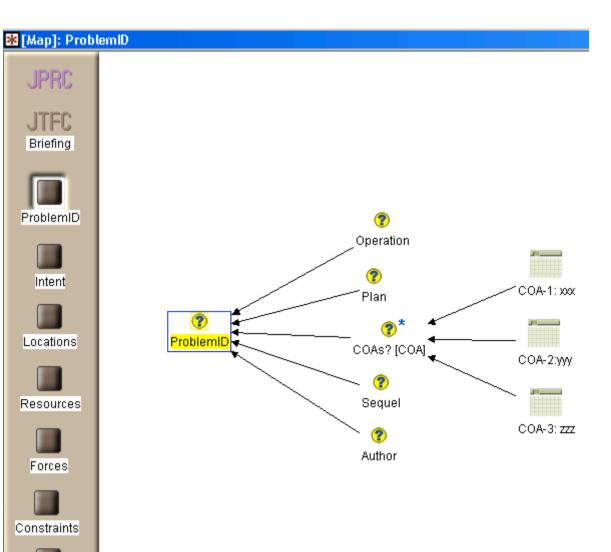


 Sensemaking workflow: Links start from JTFC Briefing, to use of ONA database, to initial COA exploration, to worksheet analysis, to a COA Comparison worksheet for final briefing back to JTFC

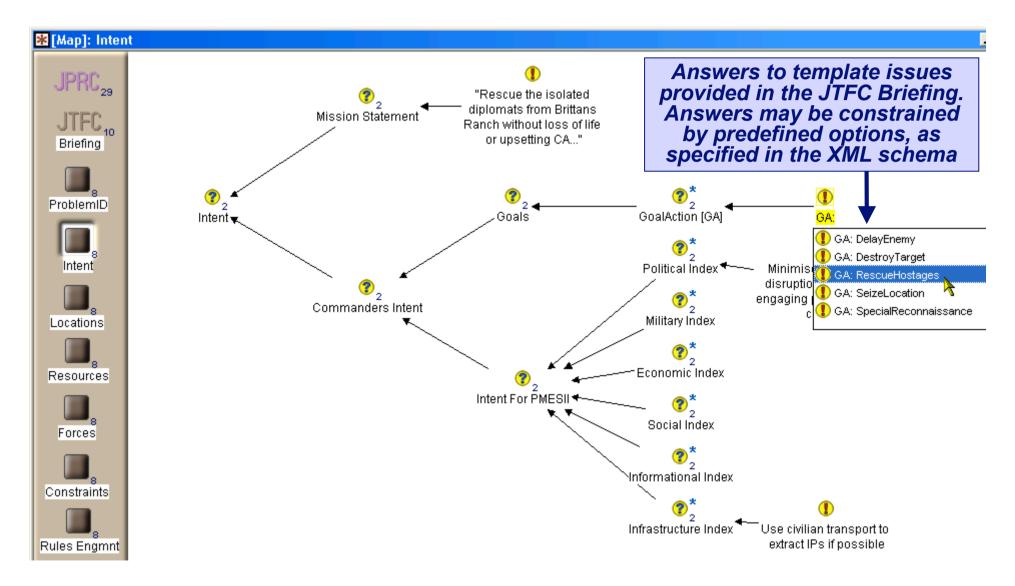
Issue Templates for JTFC Briefing

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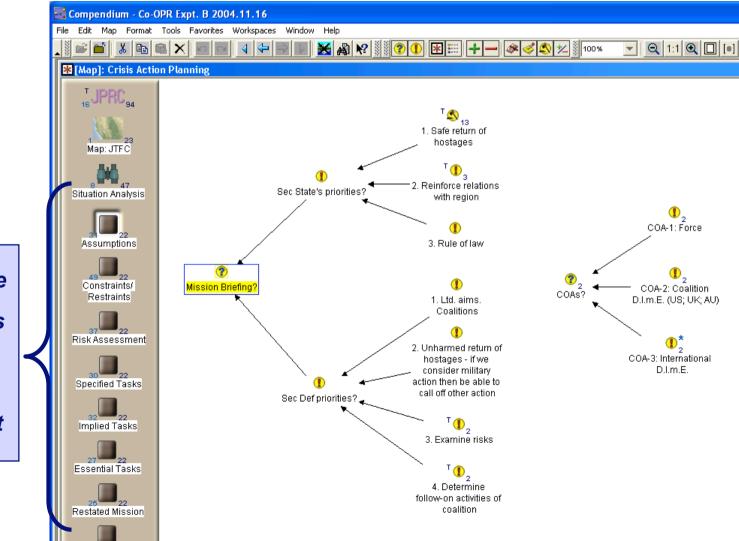
- The JTFC's Briefing is captured in a set of issue templates
- For each category (menu item on left) there are a number of issues awaiting answers



JTFC Briefing: *Intent* template

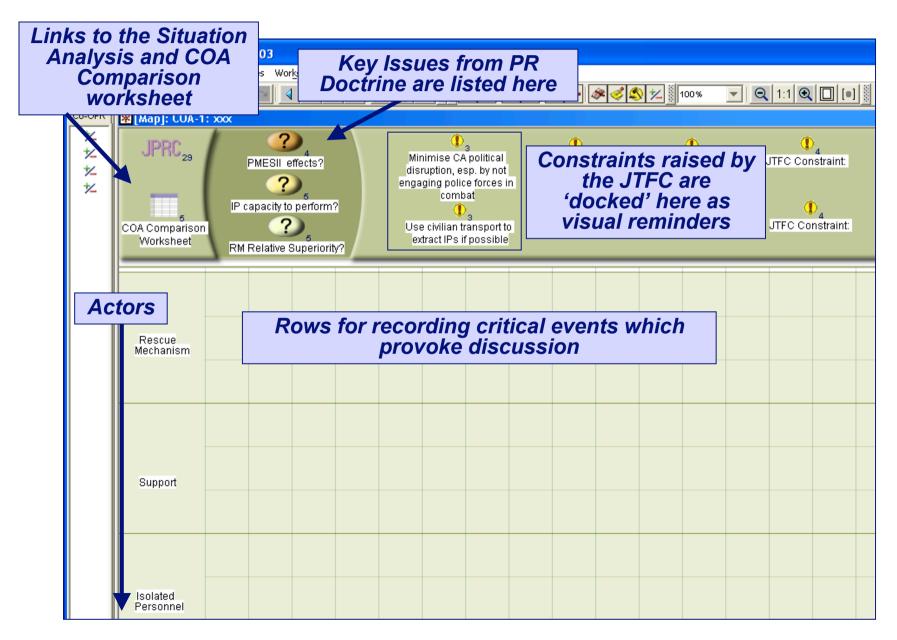


Crisis Action Planning template built in an hour



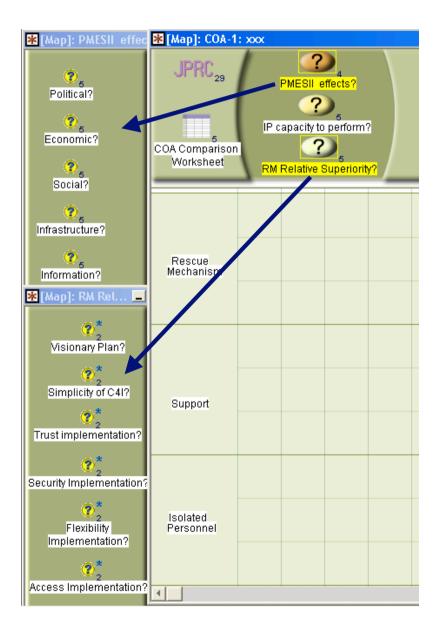
Following distribution of the Crisis Action Planning process which was to be followed, a CAP template was created at short notice to support the process

COA Wargame Analysis Worksheet

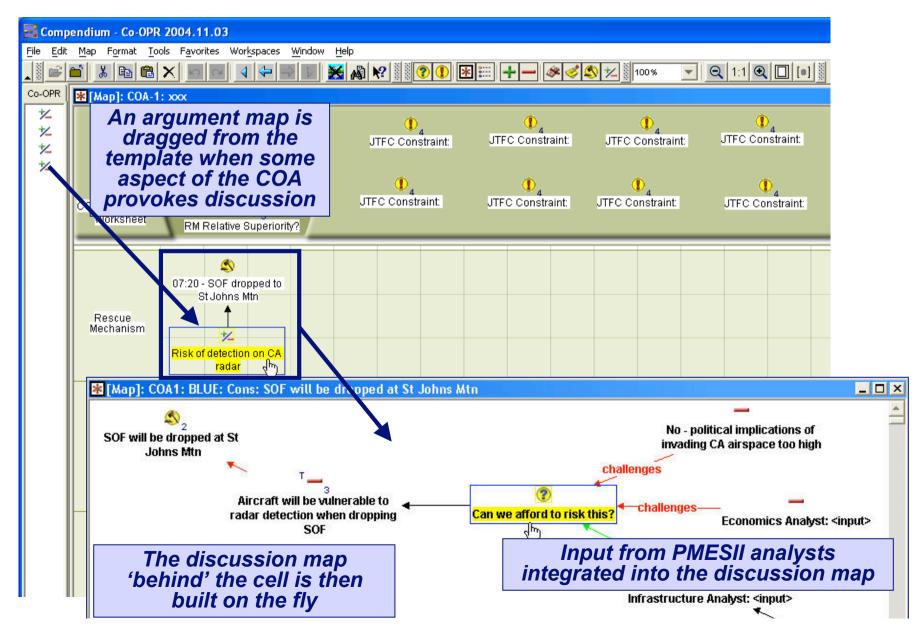


PMESII and Relative Superiority Issue Palettes

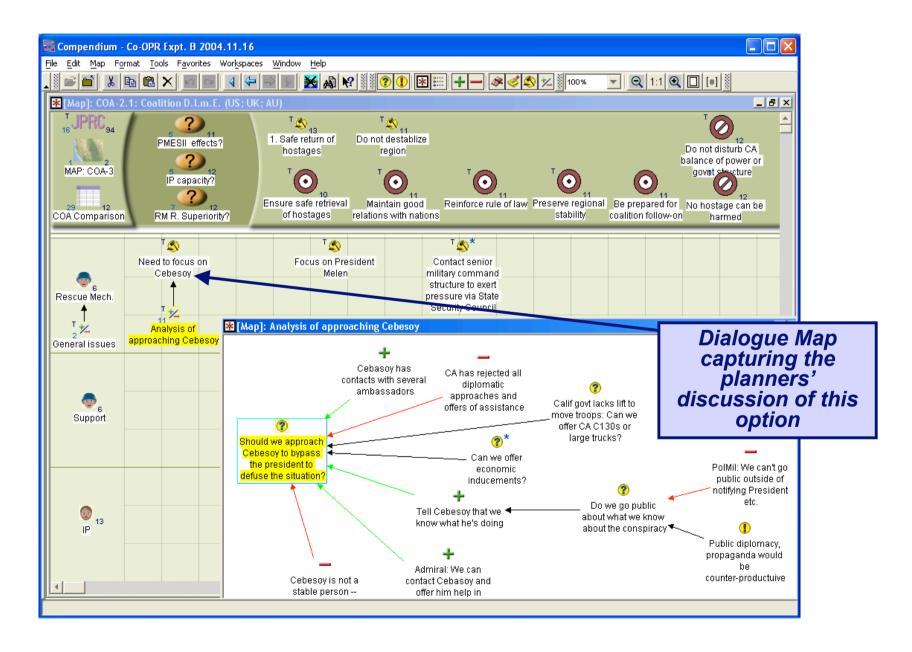
The high level Issues can be expanded if required to see the sub-Issues raised by PR doctrine



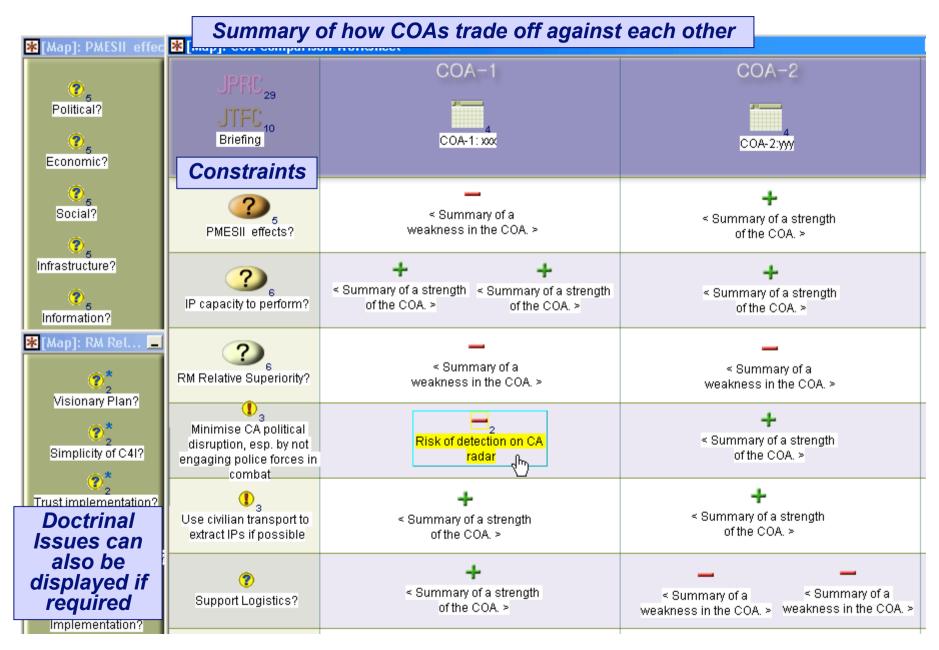
Compendium Wargame Analysis Worksheet



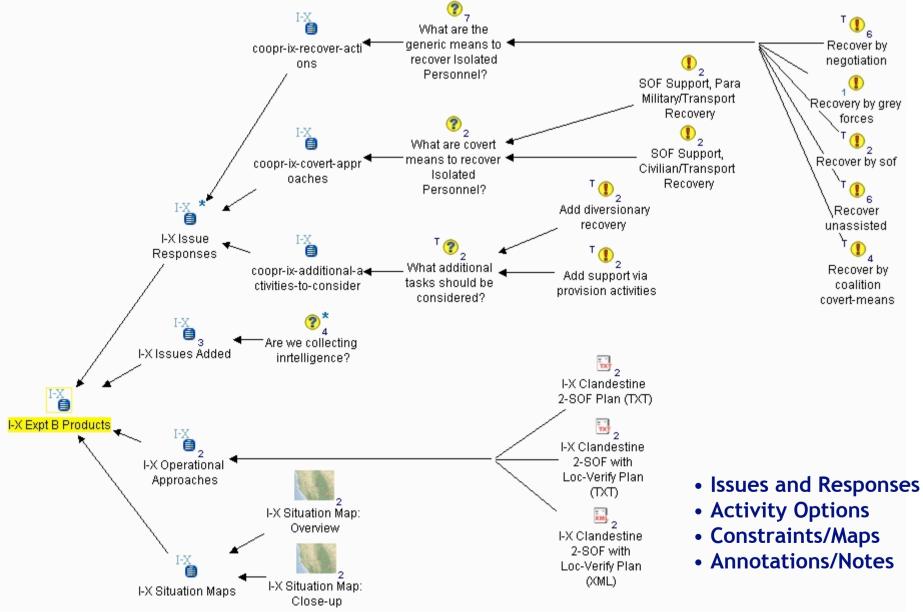
COA-2.1 Wargaming Worksheet (2/2)



COA Comparison Worksheet



Grey Matter and Silicon I-X Inputs to Compendium



Independent evaluation of Co-OPR

		Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
1	The tool was easy to use		3	1		2
2	The tool helped me find the information I needed	1	5			
3	The tool helped me understand the situation	1	5			
4	The tool helped me to identify potential COAs	2	3	1		
5	The tool enabled me to explore the consequences of different options	1	3	1		1
6	The tool made me aware of consequences I hadn't thought of	1	2	2		1
7	The tool helped me choose a COA		6			
8	This tool would help JTF CMDs & Staff and should be further developed		6			

Evaluation ratings from six members of the planning cell who were supported by Co-OPR tools in the personnel recovery simulation. (Numbers indicate the number of planners assigning the rating.)

Independent evaluation of Co-OPR

Which Features did you like best?

I-X planning feature allows for drill down into specifics of the COA

[Compendium's] graphic representation, organization, COA comparison information

List features you would add to the tool:

Expand the I-X tool to include response activities beyond Military operations, such as Diplomatic, Informational, and Economic.

Automatic input feeds [to Compendium].

List Features you would remove from the tool:

Limit the operational planning level of the [I-X] tool - too detailed.

Change some [Map View] icons [in I-X].

Comments:

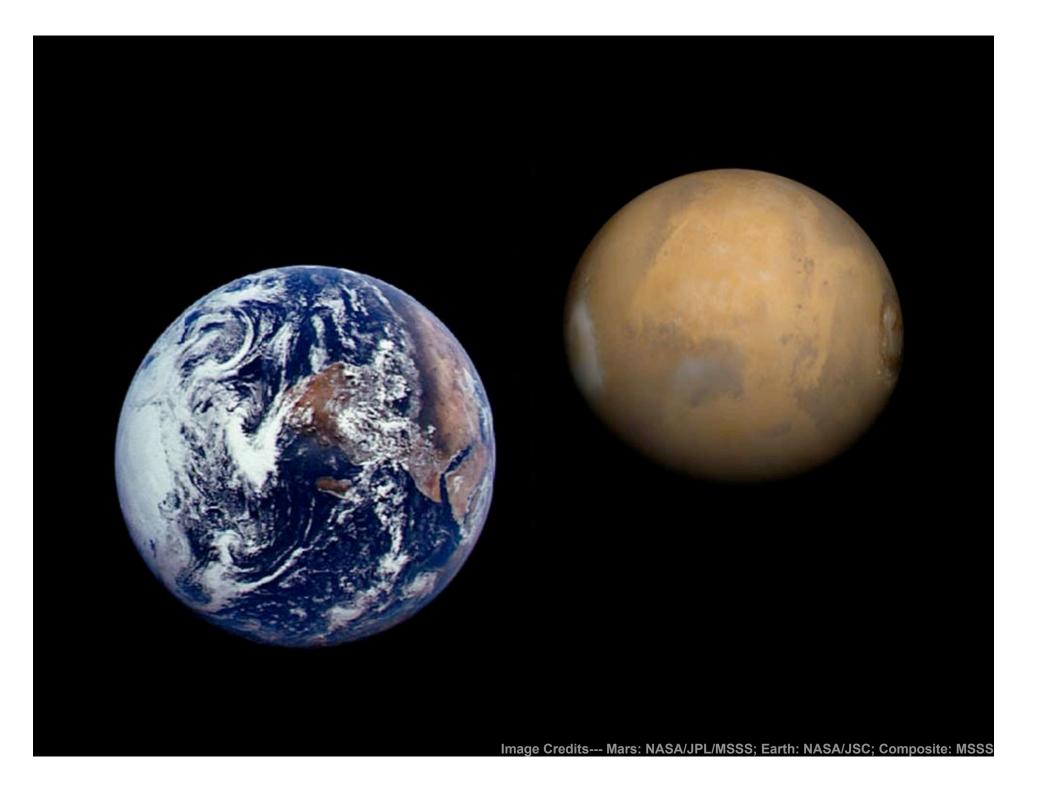
Good [I-X] tool, ability to develop a COA, prompting for choices, and sequencing advice were outstanding.

In the subsequent vignette of the scenario (in which Co-OPR was not due to participate) Compendium was requested to replace (the usual) PowerPoint as the information management tool.

Large scale NASA e-science field trials:

Interoperability with other databases, software agents and collaboration tools

Clancey, W.J., Sierhuis, M., Alena, R., Berrios, D., Dowding, J., Graham, J.S., Tyree, K.S., Hirsh, R.L., Garry, W.B., Semple, A., Buckingham Shum, S.J., Shadbolt, N. and Rupert, S. (2005). "**Automating CapCom Using Mobile Agents and Robotic Assistants**." 1st *Space Exploration Conference, American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics,* 31 Jan-1 Feb, 2005, Orlando, FL. Available from: AIAA Meeting Papers on Disc [CD-ROM]: Reston, VA, and as Advanced Knowledge Technologies ePrint 375: http://eprints.aktors.org/375

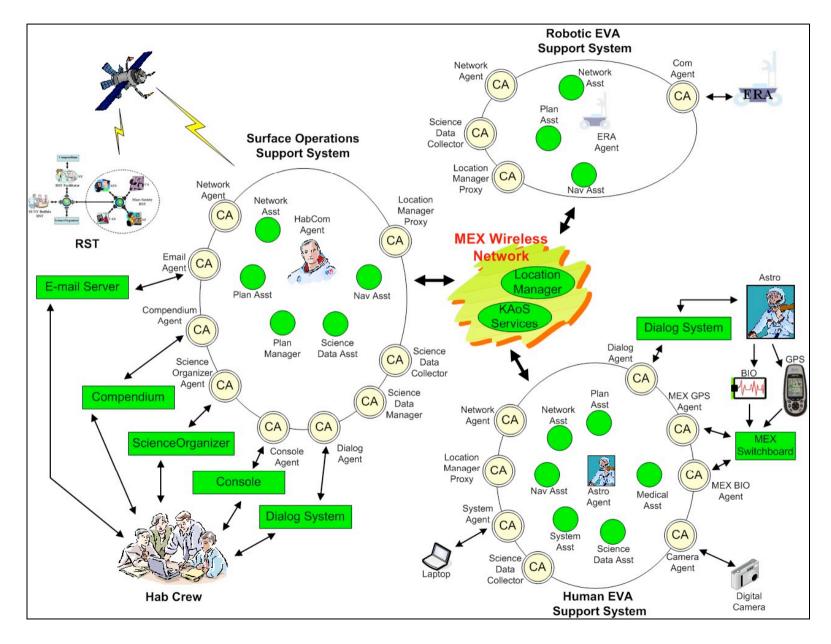


NASA e-science field trials (2004 and 2005)



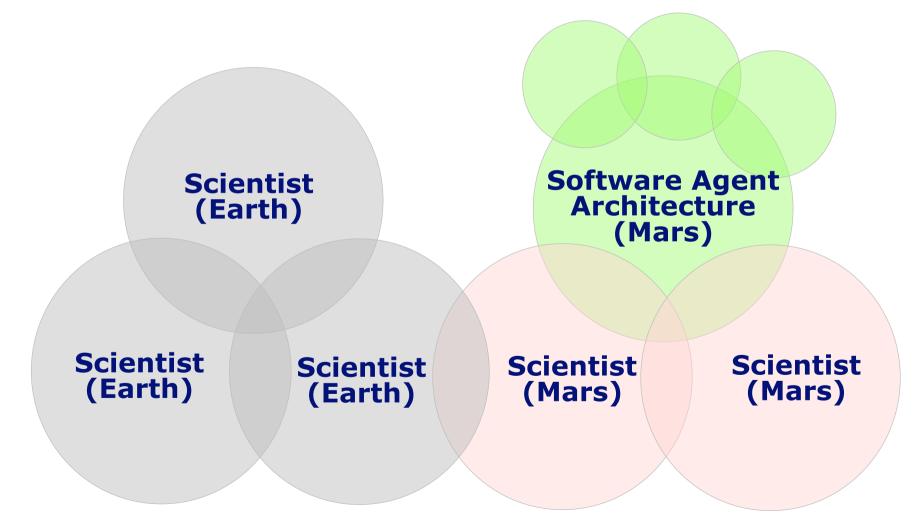
Distributed Mars-Earth planning and data analysis tools for Mars Habitat field trial in Utah desert, supported from US+UK

NASA Mobile Agents Architecture



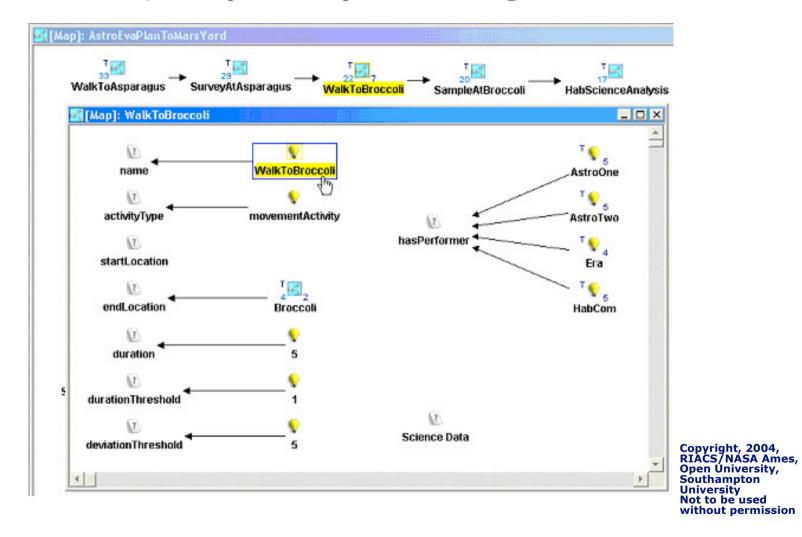
Collaboration Configuration

Compendium used as a collaboration medium at all intersections: *humans+agents, reading+writing* maps



NASA testbed:

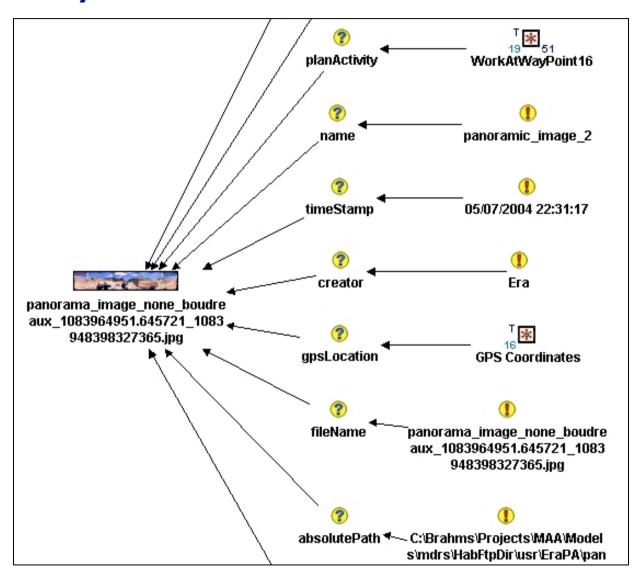
Compendium activity plans for surface exploration, constructed by *scientists on 'Earth'*, interpreted by *software agents on 'Mars'*



The Compendium nodes and relationships in this plan were interpreted by Brahms software agents for monitoring and coordinating astronaut and robot activity during surface explorations.

CoAKTinG NASA testbed:

Compendium science data map, generated by *software agents*, for interpretation by *Mars+Earth scientists*

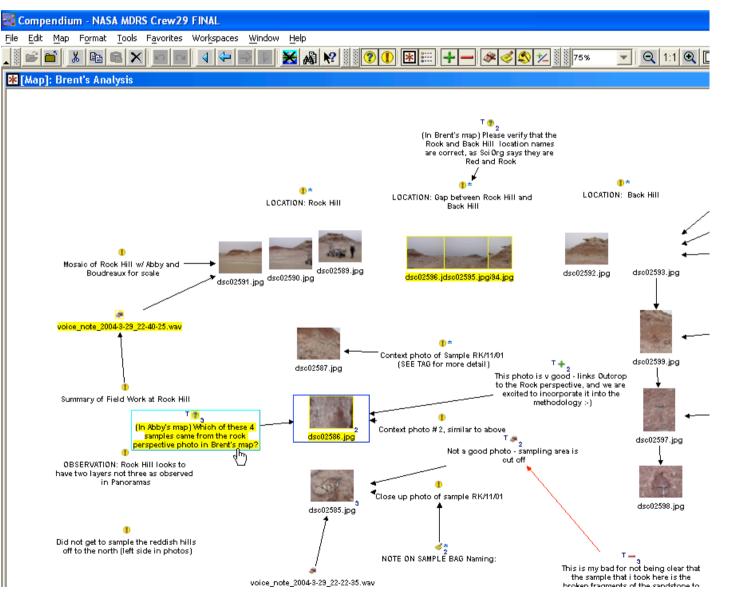


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The Compendium maps were autonomously created and populated with science data by Brahms software agents that use models of the mission plan, work process, data flow and science data relationships to create the maps.

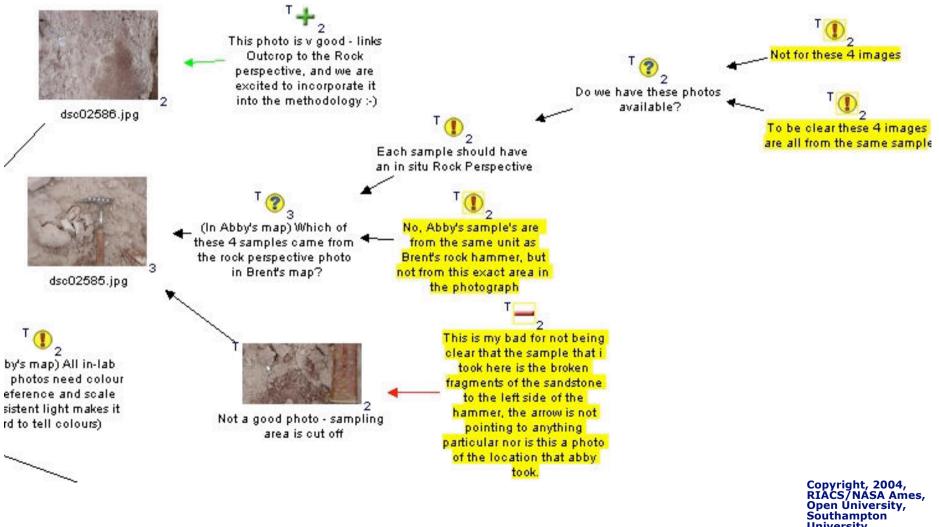
CoAKTinG NASA testbed:

Compendium-based photo analysis by geologists on 'Mars'



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NASA testbed: Compendium scientific feedback map *from Earth scientists to Mars colleagues*



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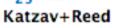
Importing an Argumentation Scheme as an IBIS template

😑 😑 😒 [Map]: Argumentation Schemes





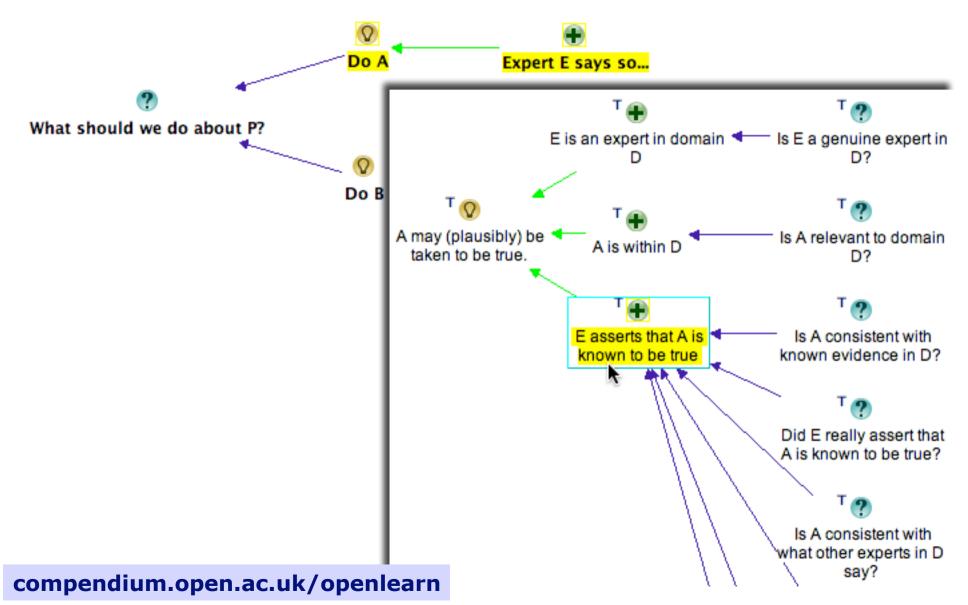
Pollock



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	7 Argument from Analogy 7 Argument from Arbitrariness of a Verbal Classification
	5 Argument from Bias
	6 Argument from Cause to Effect
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	5 Argument from Consequences 9 Argument from Correlation to Cause
	6 Argument from Evidence to a Hypothesis
	8 Argument from Example
VT1	Argument from Expert Opinion
	3 Argument from Falsification of a Hypothesis
	4 Argument from Gradualism
	3 Argument from Popular Opinion
	3 Argument from Popular Practice 6 Argument from Position to Know
	6 Argument from Precedent
	5 Argument from Sign
	7 Argument from Vagueness of a Verbal Classification
	5 Argument from Verbal Classification
T 1	6 Argument from Waste
	7 Causal Slippery Slope Argument
	7 Circumstantial Argument Against the Person
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T 1	6 Ethotic Argument
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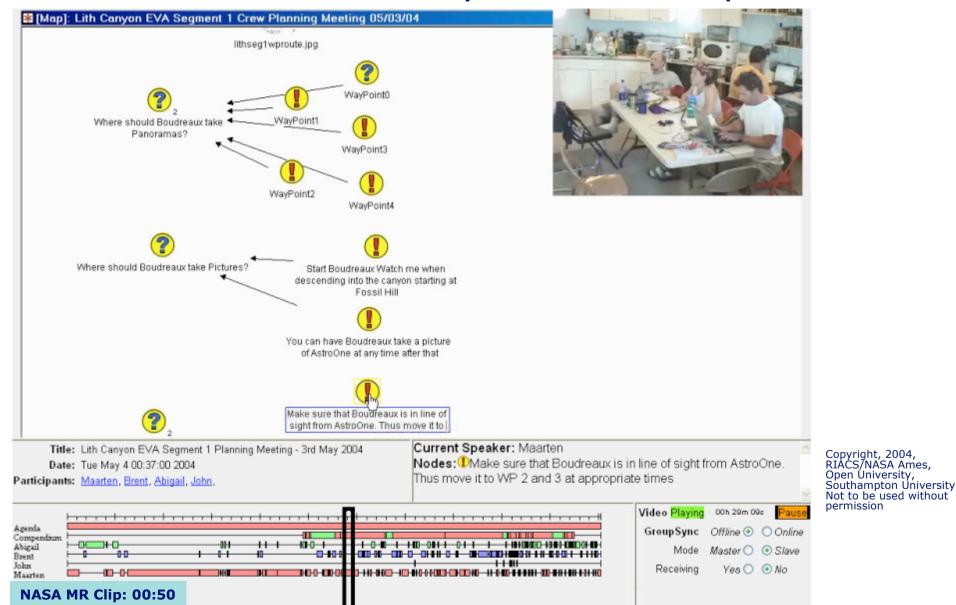
Using Compendium to map and automatically index replayable video conferences

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Memetic Project: www.memetic-vre.net

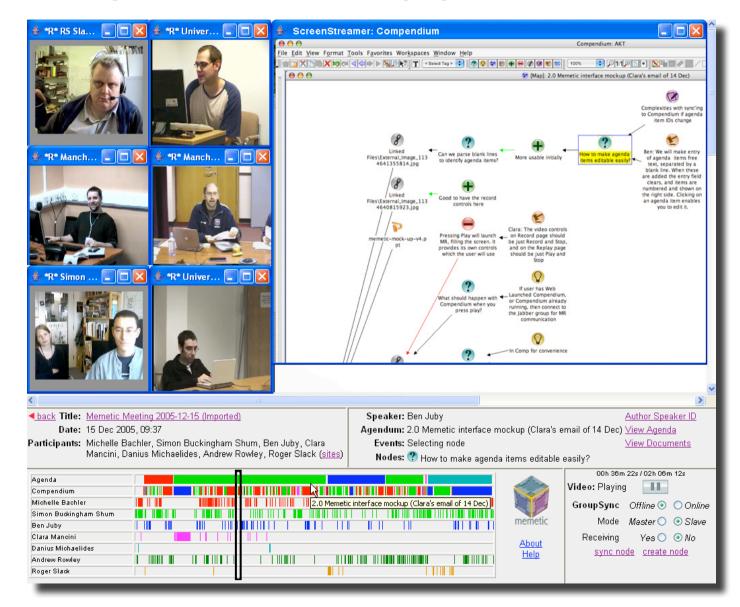
Collaborative sensemaking in e-Science:

Meeting Replay tool for *Earth scientists*, synchronising video of *Mars crew's* discussion as they annotate their mission plans



Memetic Meeting Replay

The CoAKTinG project's results are now mainstreamed in the Access Grid by the JISC Memetic VRE project



Compendium 'literacy'?

...understanding how to write, read, talk and think in hypermedia IBIS

...approaches from consultancy in the field, and video analysis in the lab...

Literacy: significant user community

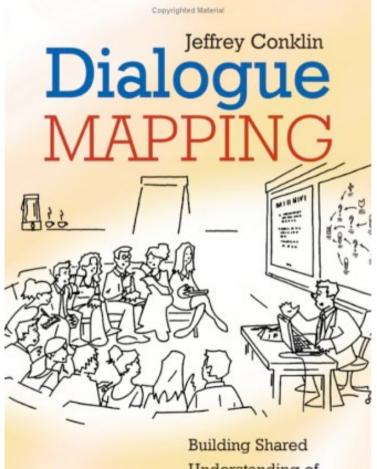
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	The Community Showcase Image: Community Showcase	

Literacy: Cognitive task analysis

- Cognitive tasks involved in using a graphical argumentation scheme (Buckingham Shum 1996)
- Affordances of graphical DR for coordinating group design (Buckingham Shum et al 1997)

Literacy: the craft skill of IBIS mapping in meetings: "Dialogue Mapping"



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Understanding of Wicked Problems

Jeff Conklin: CogNexus Institute: www.CogNexus.org

Literacy: expertise analysis (Albert Selvin)

- What is the nature of expert human performance in creating and modifying real time conceptual structures for groups?
- The NASA knowledge mapper role:
 - Listening and interpreting
 - Intervening in `normal' conversation flow
 - Getting validation for captured material
 - Building hypertext representations on the fly
 - Interrelating data and objects
 - Adding metadata
 - Software-specific skills

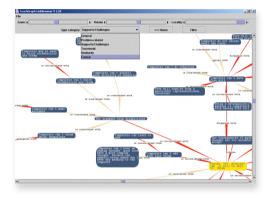




Compendium literacy: expertise analysis Selvin 2005

Practitioner stances

- The position of the practitioner with regard to the current activity:
 - Knowledge Navigator
 - Facilitator
 - Participant
 - Technical Expert
 - Editor



Scholarly Ontologies Project

- Web publishing of scholarly claims and argumentation
- discourse as semantic hypertext

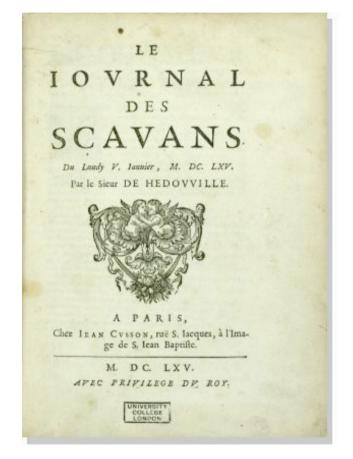
Will scientific publishing in 2020 still depend solely on the reading, writing, and discovery of written texts?

What might a more network-centric complement look like?

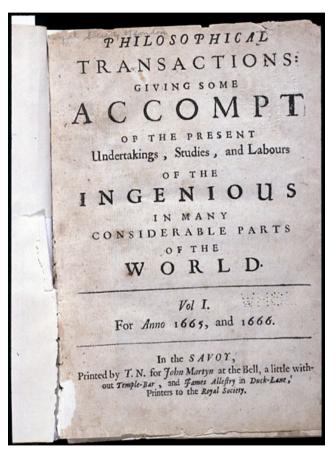
In Gutenberg's shadow

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Newspapers + Invisible Colleges = Scholarly Journals

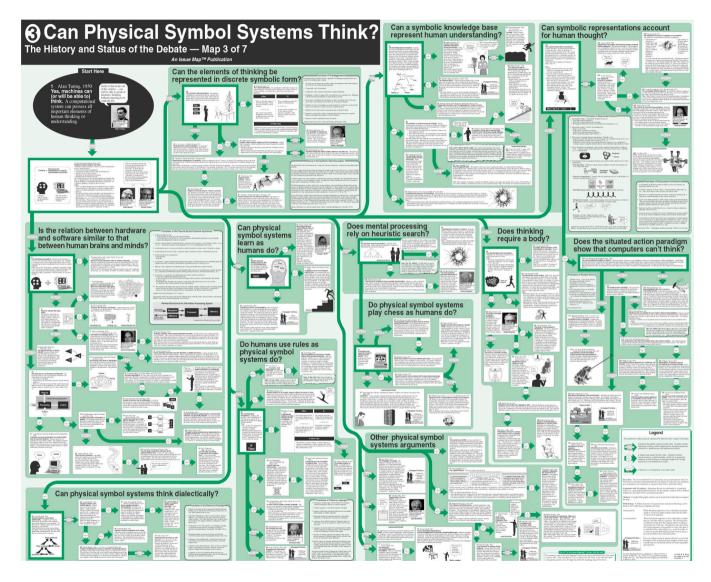


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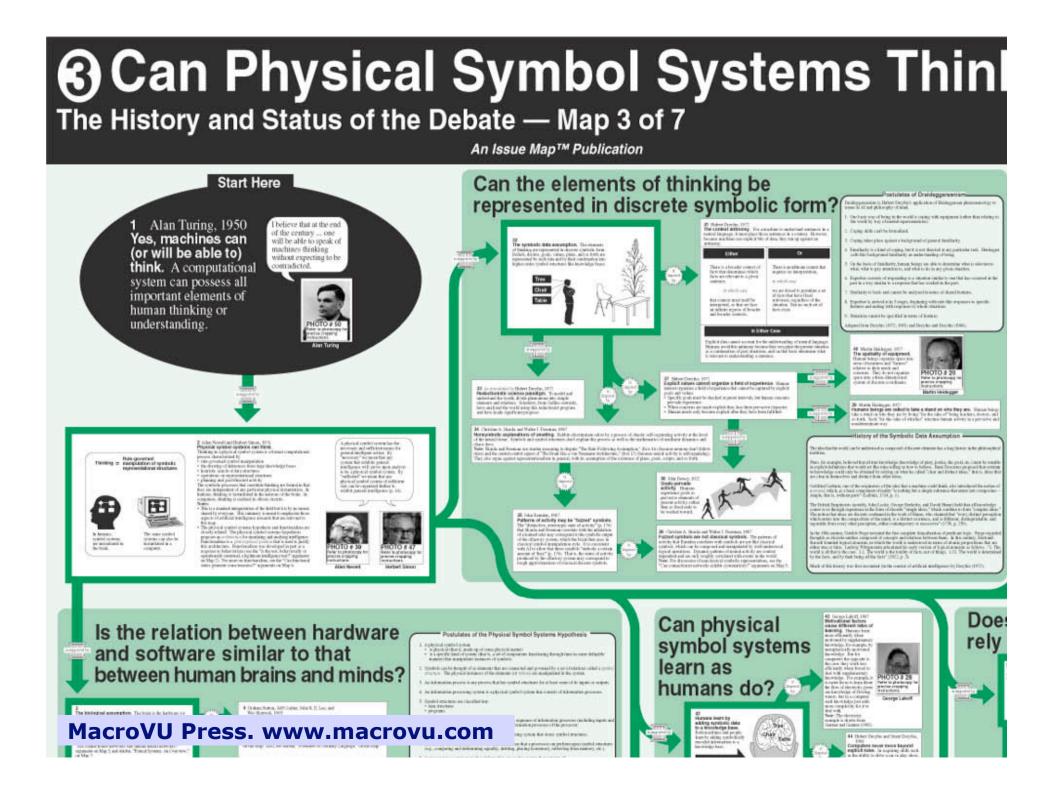


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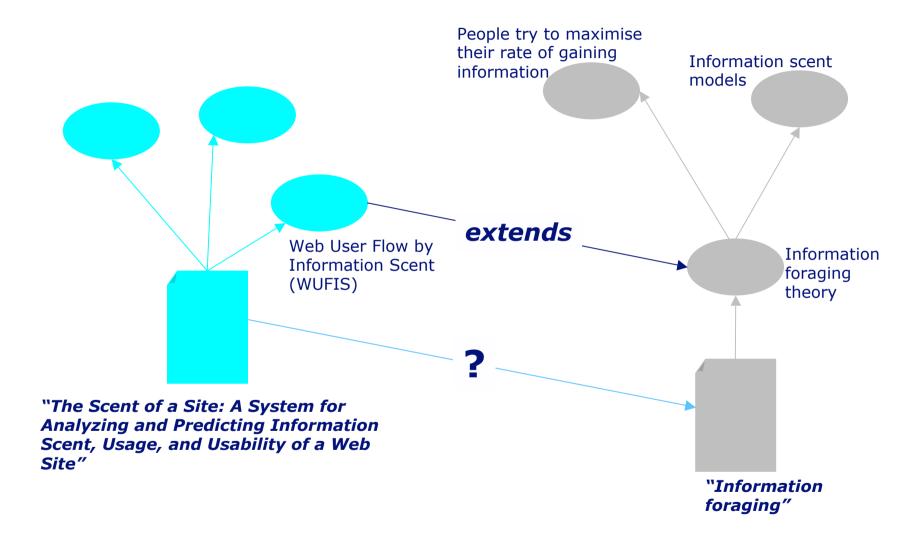
What if we could get search results like this?... "What is the Turing Debate?"



One of seven maps in the *Mapping Great Debates: Can Computers Think?* Series. MacroVU Press. www.macrovu.com (Horn, 2003; Yoshimi, 2006)

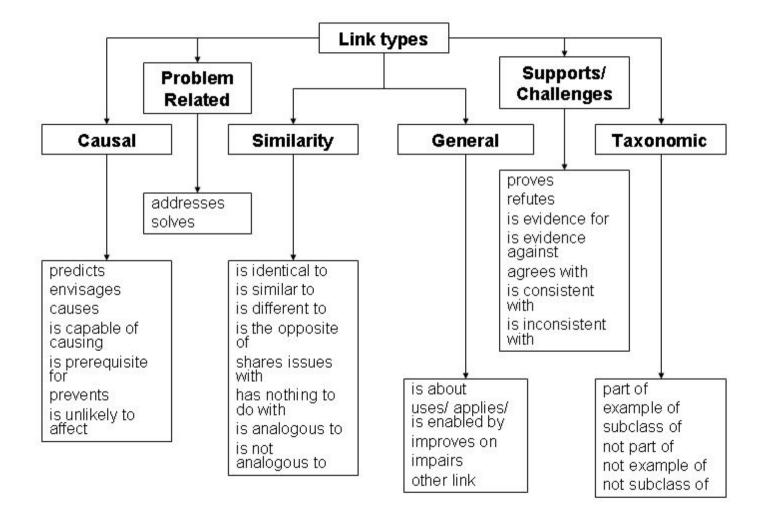


Going beyond citations...



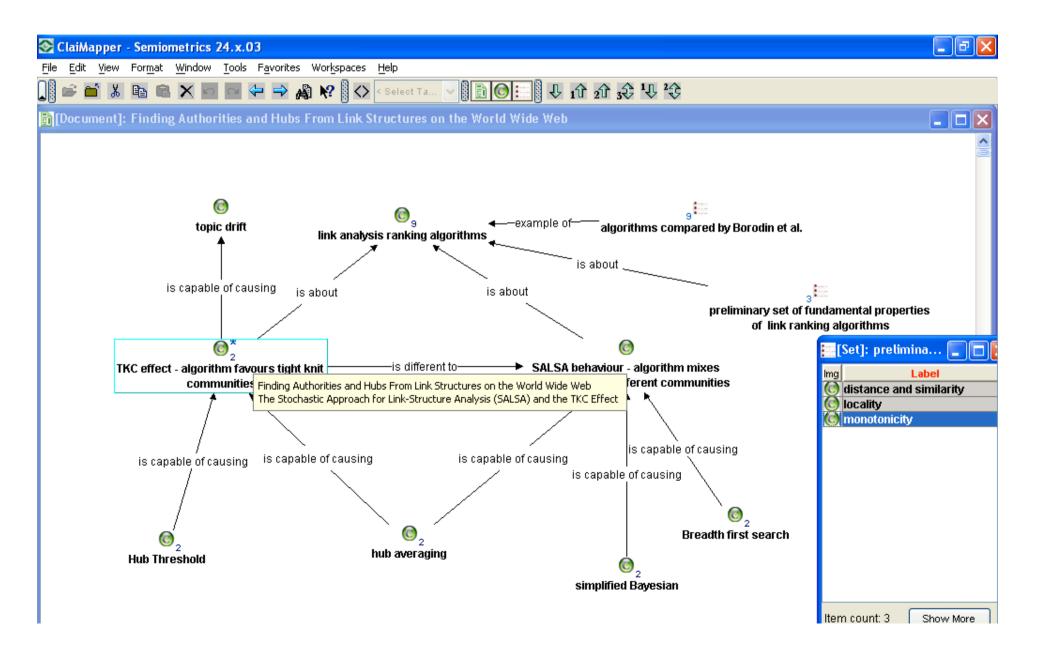
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If we model concepts in a literature as concept

Maps... (KMi's ClaiMapper, built on Compendium)



"Semantic del.icio.us": KMi's ClaimSpotter assigning and linking freeform tags

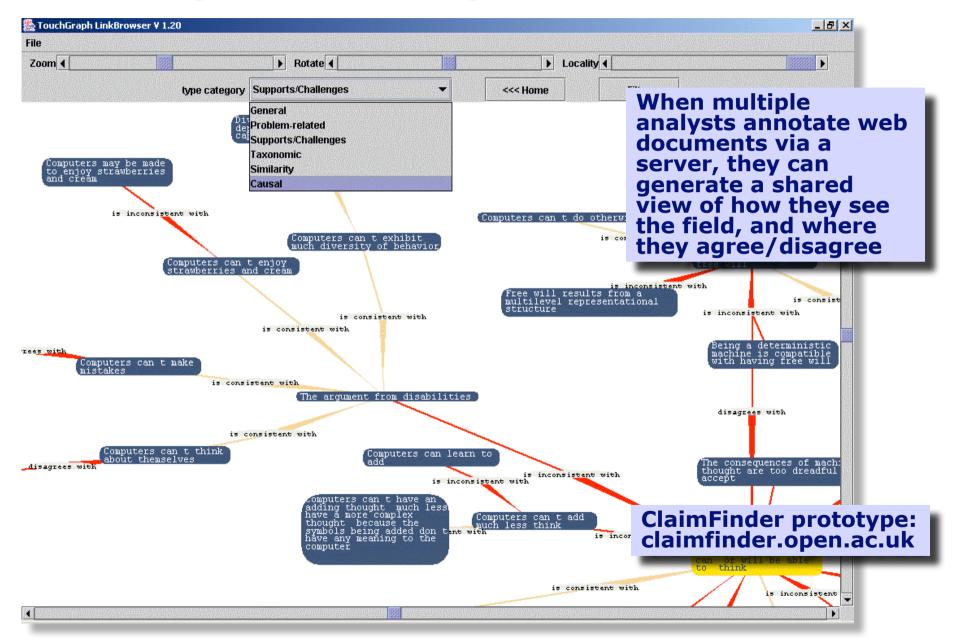
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"Semantic Google Scholar" KMi's ClaimFinder

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Visualising claims and arguments

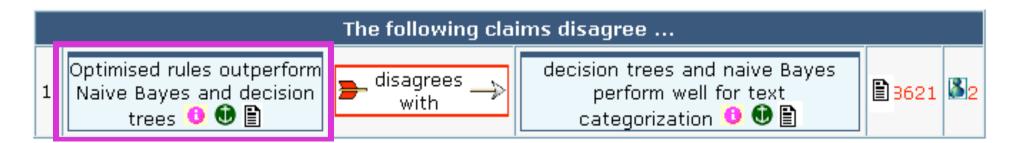


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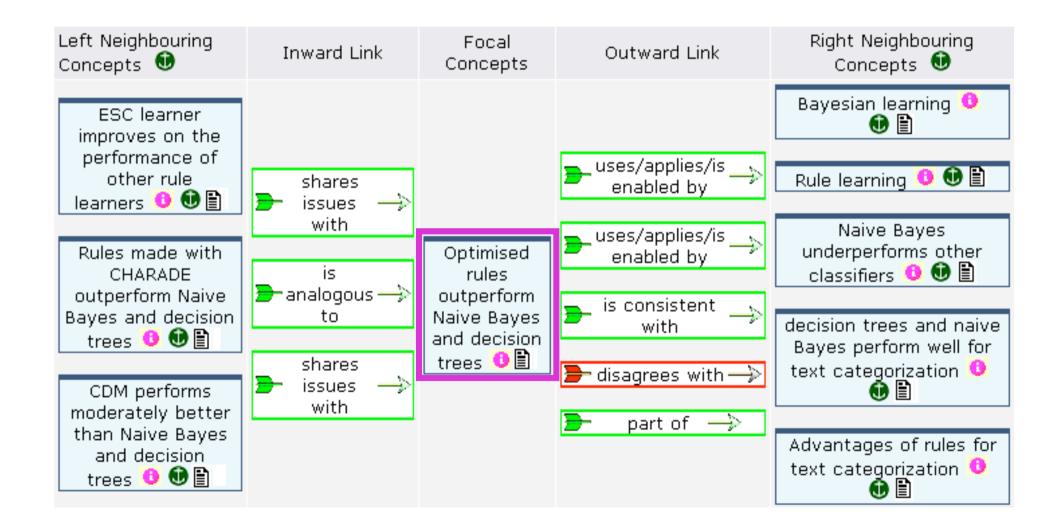
- 1. Extract concepts for this document
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- 4. Show root documents

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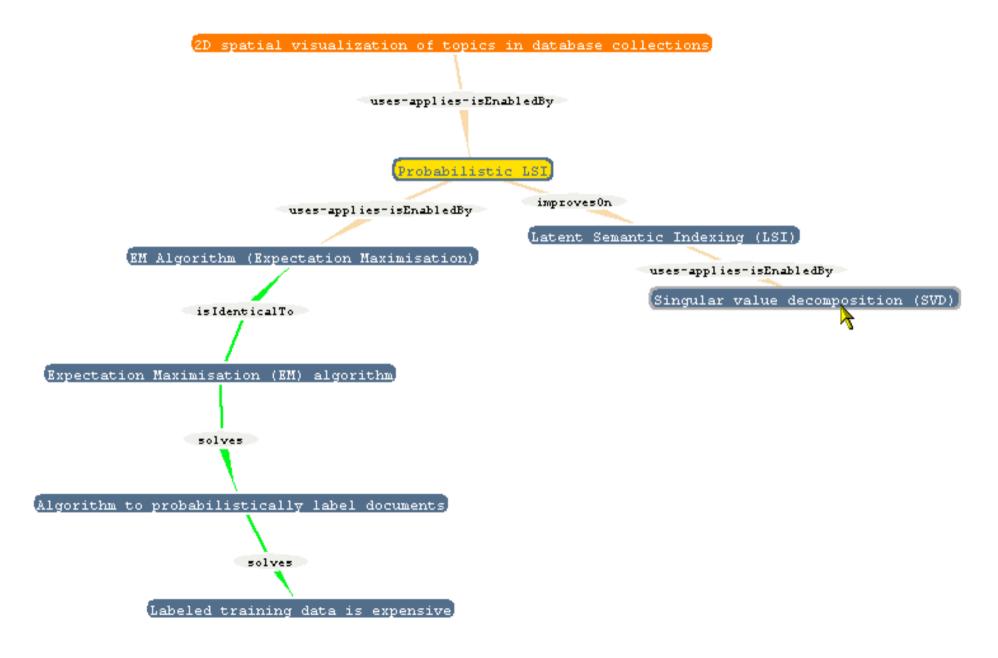
Focusing on a concept incoming+outgoing links



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Lineage tree (the roots of a concept)



Indicators of ClaiMaker literacy?

expert user makes more extensive use of Claimaker's semantic structures in interrogating the network than novices

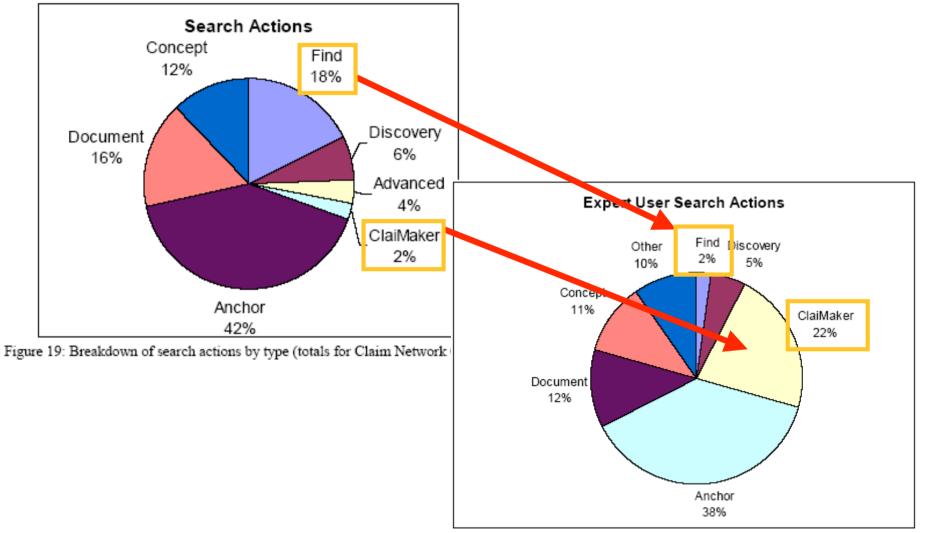


Figure 20 Breakdown of expert user search actions

Victoria Uren, Simon Buckingham Shum, Michelle Bachler, Gary Li, (2006) **Sensemaking Tools for Understanding Research Literatures: Design, Implementation and User** Evaluation. International Journal of Human Computer Studies, Vol.64, 5, (420-445).

Some answers to our questions...

The discourse of modelling:

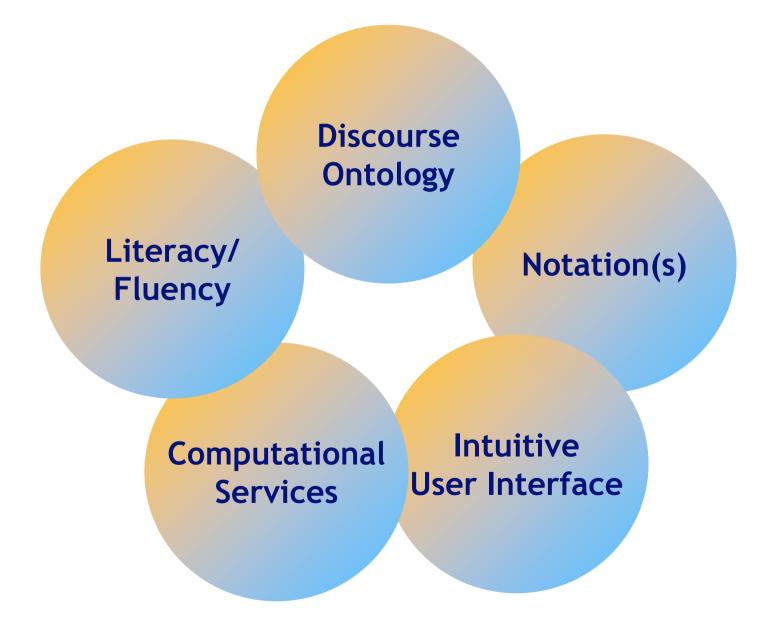
Compendium+IBIS can support many forms of discourse and rationale capture throughout the design lifecycle, from early requirements through to maintenance Web Pragmatics

Hypermedia Discourse

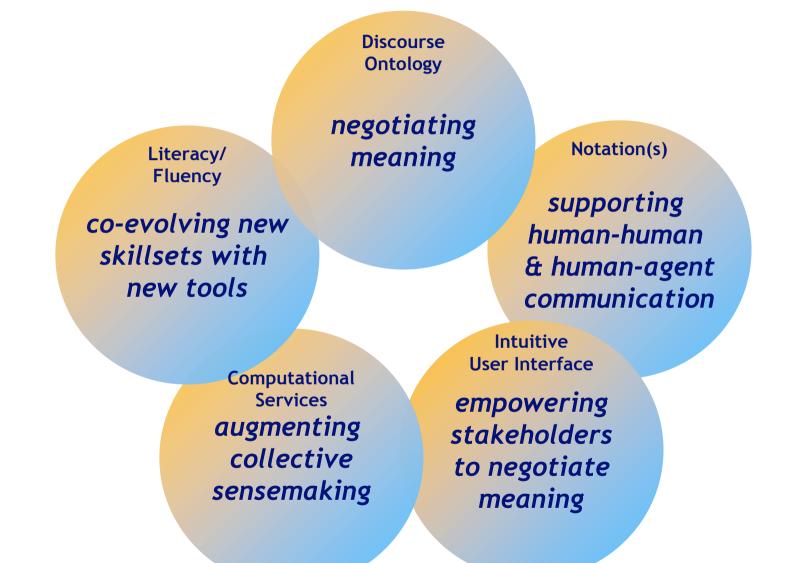
Modelling discourse:

It is possible to co-evolve discourse schemes, tools and literacy to mediate sensemaking discourse. Strong evidence for Compendium, emerging evidence for ClaiMaker

Hypermedia Discourse tools:



Common Ground between Pragmatic Web and Hypermedia Discourse perspectives



Ongoing work...

Social bookmarking as semiosis

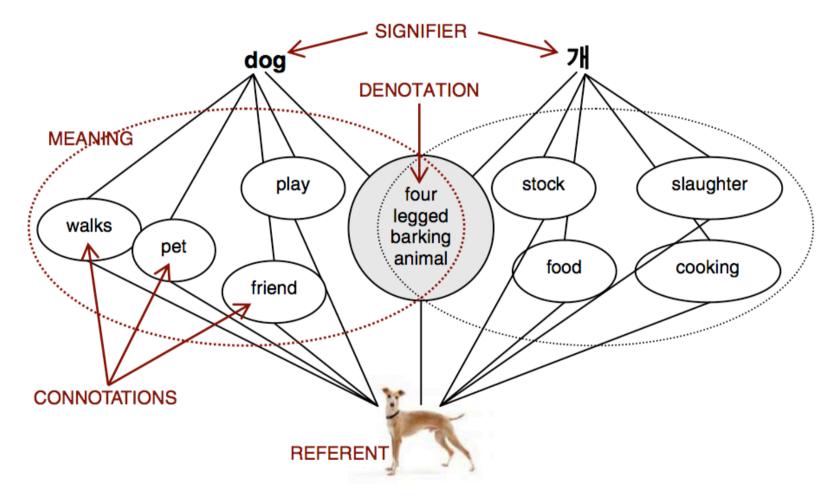


Fig. 1. The components of a sign system.

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Annotation as semiosis in the Scholarly Ontologies project

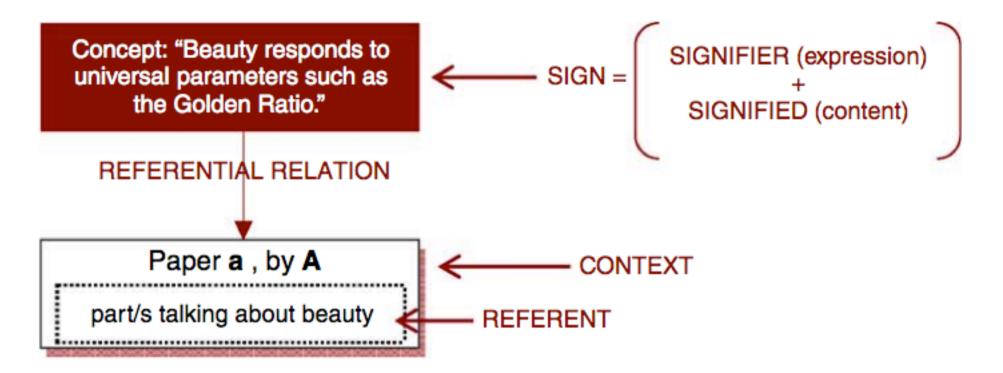


Fig. 4. Semiotic analysis of a ClaiMaker's primary claim.

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Making primary and secondary claims as semiotic and discourse moves

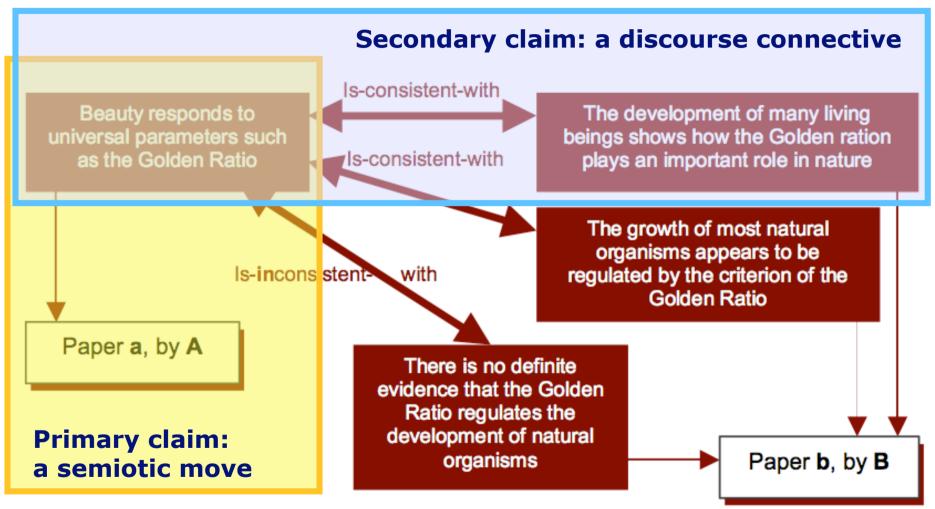
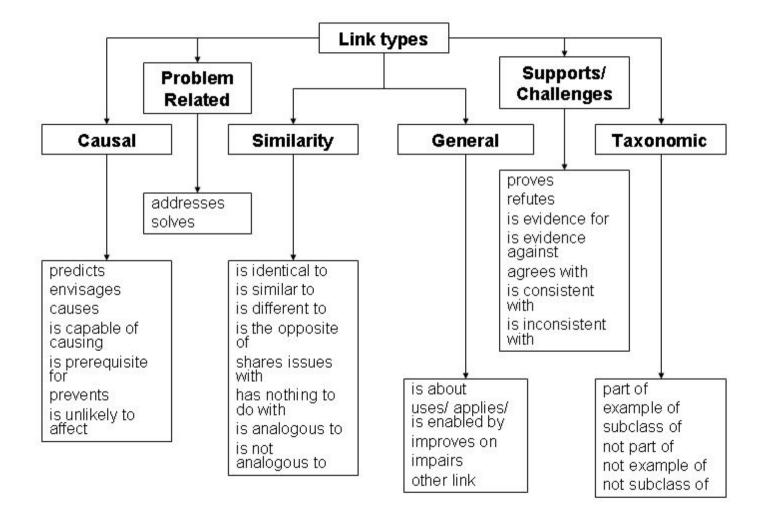


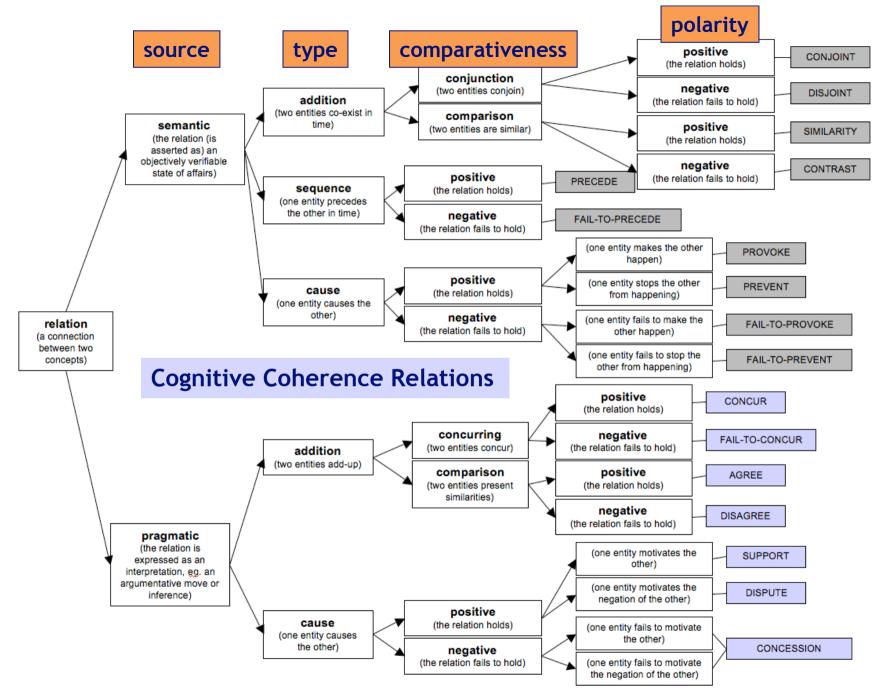
Figure 5. An example of different and even contradictory claims anchored in the same sources (referents).

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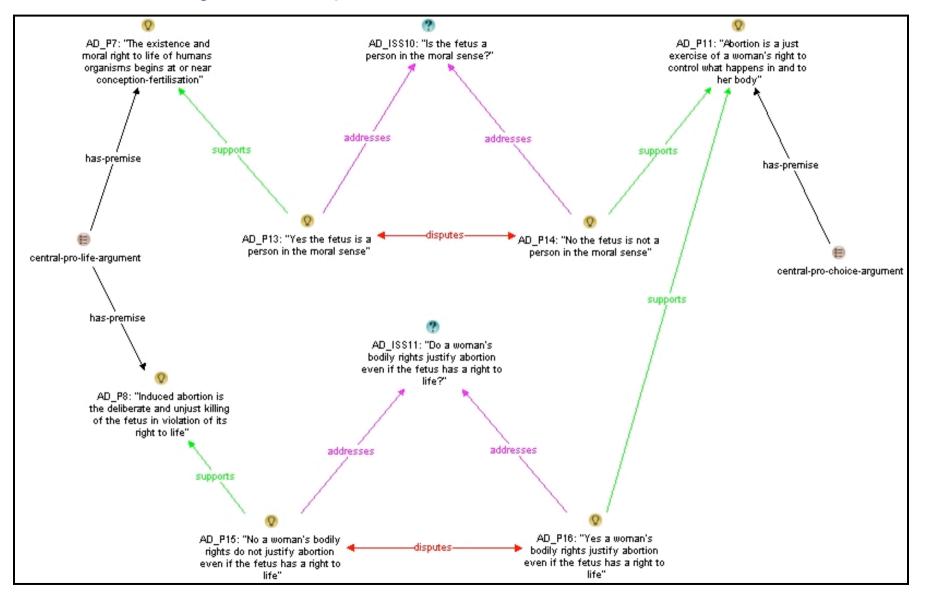
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Contemporary philosophical literature contains two kinds of arguments concerning the morality of abortion. One family of arguments (see the following three sections) relates to the moral status of the fetus—the question of whether the fetus has a right to life, is the sort of being it would be seriously wrong to kill, or in other words is a 'person' in the moral sense. An affirmative answer would support claim (1) in the central pro-life argument, while a negative answer would support claim (2) in the central pro-choice argument.

Another family of arguments (see the section on Thomson, below) relates to bodily rights—the question of whether the woman's bodily rights justify abortion even if the fetus has a right to life. A negative answer would support claim (2) in the central pro-life argument, while an affirmative answer would support claim (2) in the central pro-choice argument.

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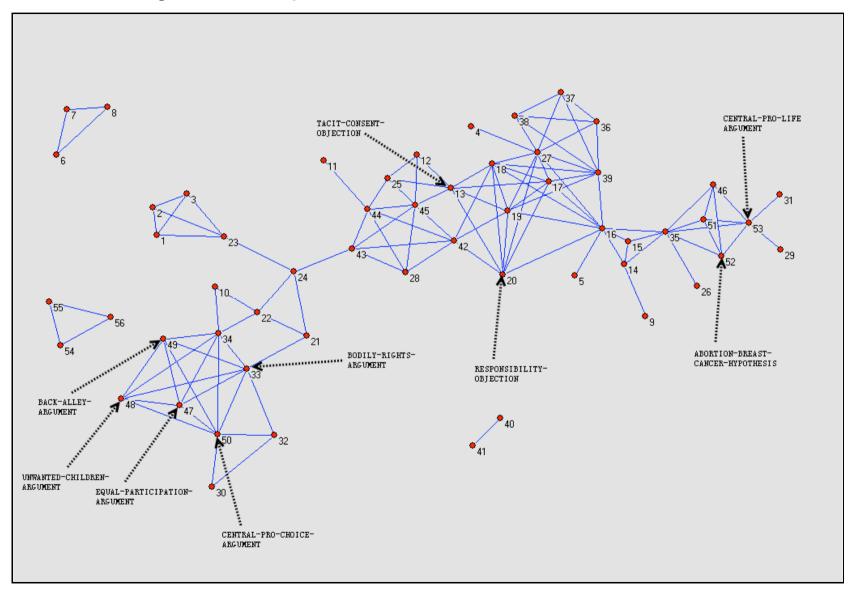
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(def-instance AD P14 Proposition
((display-text "No the fetus is not a person in the moral sense")))
(def-relation-instances
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  (addresses AD P14 AD ISS10)
 (disputes AD P13 AD P14)
  (disputes AD P14 AD P13)
  (supports AD P13 AD P7)
 (supports AD P14 AD P11))
(def-instance AD ISS11 Issue
 ((display-text "Do a woman's bodily rights justify abortion even if
the fetus has a right to life?")))
(def-instance AD P15 Proposition
 ((display-text "No, a woman's bodily rights do not justify abortion
even if the fetus has a right to life")))
(def-instance AD P16 Proposition
 ((display-text "Yes, a woman's bodily rights justify abortion even if
the fetus has a right to life")))
(def-relation-instances
  (addresses AD P15 AD ISS11)
  (addresses AD P16 AD ISS11)
  (disputes AD P15 AD P16)
  (disputes AD P16 AD P15)
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Code Listing 6-4 - This code listing shows the representation of the expanded argumentation in the debate

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