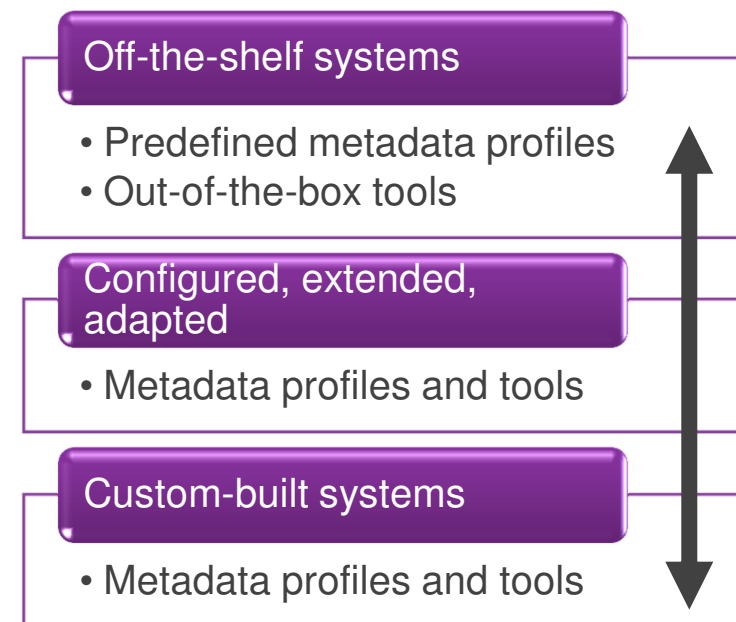


# Emerging Nuances of Digital Preservation Metadata – PREMIS Version 3.0


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# Tayloring PREMIS to needs

- Evolving metadata
  - Increasing experience ensuring the longevity of digital objects
  - Changing future technical possibilities
  - Changing future legal framework
  - Always user-driven
- Tayloring solutions
  - Varying needs
    - Content-types
    - Institutional policies
    - Intended use
  - Off-the-shelf (OS / commercial ) or custom-built



# PREMIS: From V2 to V3 based on user needs

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  - Add physical Objects
  - Update conformance statement
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- minor

# Add preservationLevelType semantic unit

- 1.3 preservationLevel
  - 
  - 1.3.1 preservationLevelValue
  - 1.3.2 preservationLevelRole
  - 1.3.3 preservationLevelRationale
  - 1.3.4 preservationLevelDateAssigned

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- 1.3 preservationLevel
  - 1.3.1 preservationLevelType
  - 1.3.2 preservationLevelValue
  - 1.3.3 preservationLevelRole
  - 1.3.4 preservationLevelRationale
  - 1.3.5 preservationLevelDateAssigned
- Associate type of preservation function with preservation level.

- ▶ objectIdentifier
- ▶ objectIdentifierType: ARK
- ▶ objectIdentifierValue: ark:/9999/c1
- ▶ objectCategory: file
- ▶ preservationLevel
  - ▶ preservationLevelType: Bit preservation
  - ▶ preservationLevelValue: medium
- ▶ preservationLevel
  - ▶ preservationLevelType: Functional preservation
  - ▶ preservationLevelValue: migration
- ▶ objectCharacteristics
  - ▶ compositionLevel: 0
  - ▶ size: 726970368
  - ▶ format
    - ▶ formatDesignation
      - ▶ format name: application/vnd.ms-excel

# Add agentVersion semantic unit

- If agentType is software,
  - agentVersion can be used to refine agentName.
- 3.1 agentIdentifier
- 3.2 agentName
- 3.3 agentType
- 3.4 agentNote
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- 3.8 linkingRightsStatementIdentifier
- 3.9 linkingEnvironmentIdentifier



# Unknown compositionLevel and format

compositionLevel and format:

- A value of *unknown* added if the information is not available.

# Add eventDetailInformation semantic unit .

- 2.1 eventIdentifier
- 2.2 eventType
- 2.3 eventDateTime
- 2.4 eventDetail
- 2.5 eventOutcomeInformation
- 2.6 linkingAgentIdentifier
- 2.7 linkingObjectIdentifier

# Add eventDetailInformation semantic unit .

- 2.1 eventIdentifier
- 2.2 eventType
- 2.3 eventDateTime
- 2.4 eventDetailInformation
  - 2.4.1 eventDetail
  - 2.4.2 eventDetailExtension
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# Implementation specific change: Add authority for controlled vocabulary

- ▶ eventIdentifier:  
     eventIdentifierType: UUID  
     eventIdentifierValue: 908985d3-9600-4da4-a  
     eventType: validation

authority="premisEventType"  
 authorityURI=  
 "http://id.loc.gov/vocabulary/preservation/eventType.html"  
 valueURI= "http://id.loc.gov/vocabulary/preservation/eventType/val.html"

- ▶ eventDateTime: 2014-07-03T23:18:19  
   eventDetailInformation:  
     eventDetail: program="Jhove"; version="1.5"  
   eventOutcomeInformation:  
     eventOutcome: fail  
     eventOutcomeDetail:  
       eventOutcomeDetailNote:  
         format="JPEG"; version="1.02"; result="Not well

capture  
 compression  
 creation

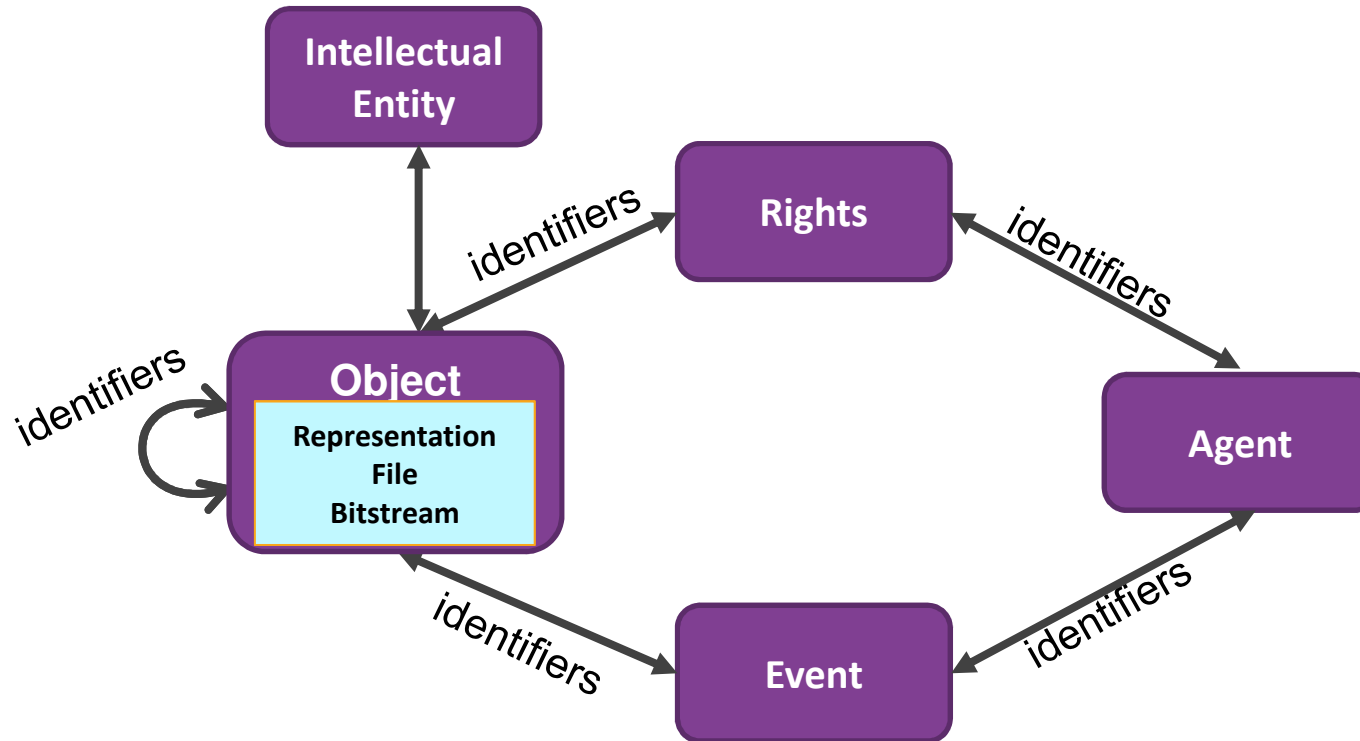
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 fixity check  
 ingestion  
 message digest calculation  
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 normalization  
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 validation  
 virus check

formed"

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# Make Intellectual Entity an Object category

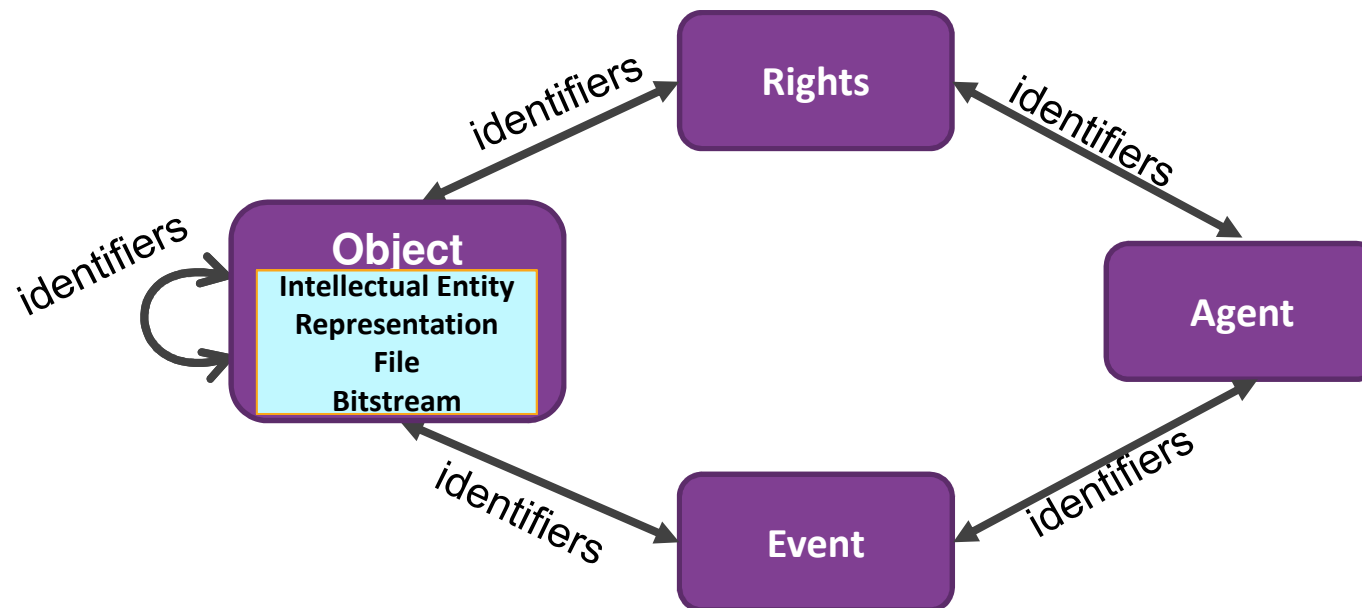


V2:

- Assumed to be held in a container metadata schema
- No Intellectual Entity semantic units
- Exception: identifier to enable linking to a description
- PREMIS Objects link to it.

- A set of content that is considered a single intellectual unit for purposes of management and description
- For example, a particular book, map, photograph, or database.

# Make Intellectual Entity an Object category

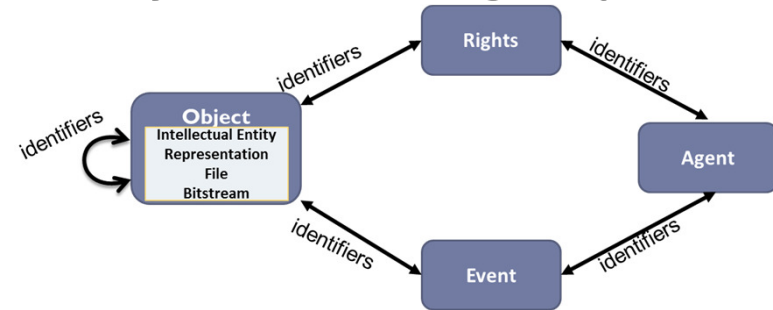


V3:

- Possibility to describe preservation aspects of intellectual entities
- Same semantic units as Representations

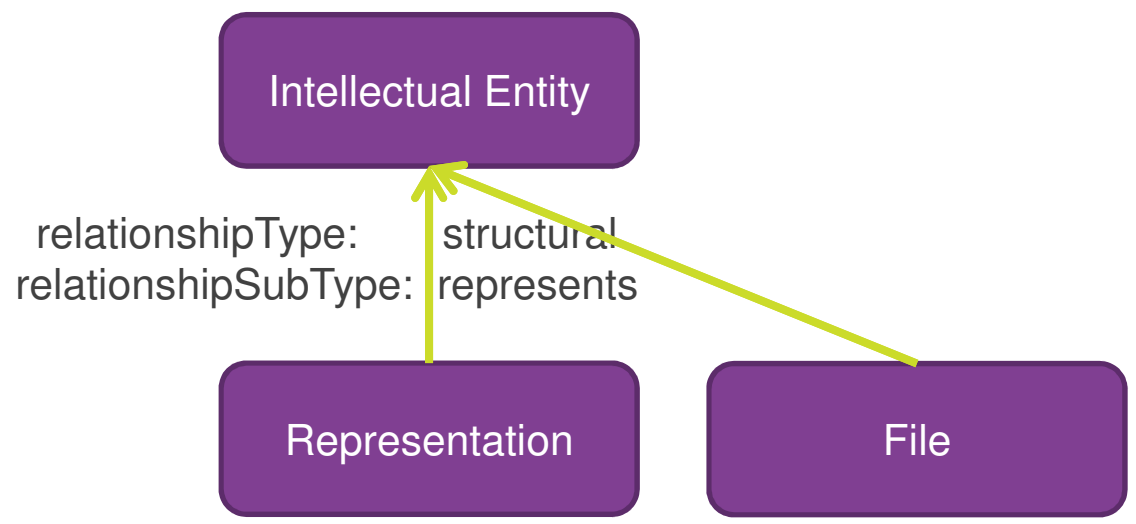
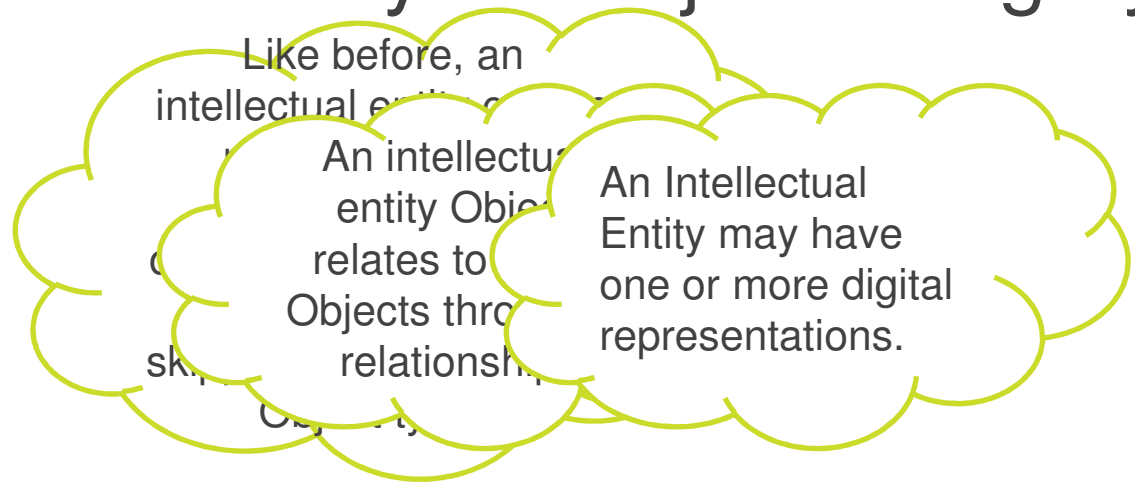
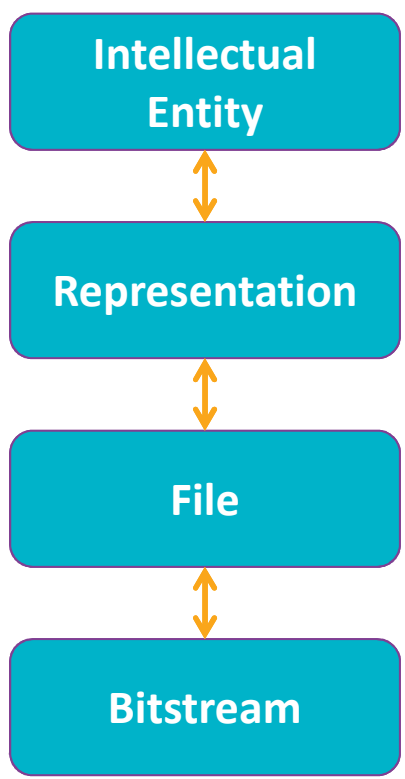


# Make Intellectual Entity an Object category



- Relate to PREMIS Events and RightsStatements.
- Support structural and derivative relationships with Objects.
- Represent an aggregate, such as a collection, FRBR work, FRBR expression, fonds or series.
- Capture versioning information and metadata update events at the Intellectual Entity level
- Associate business requirements with them.
  - Significant characteristics, risk definitions, guidelines for preservation actions, etc..

# Make Intellectual Entity an Object category

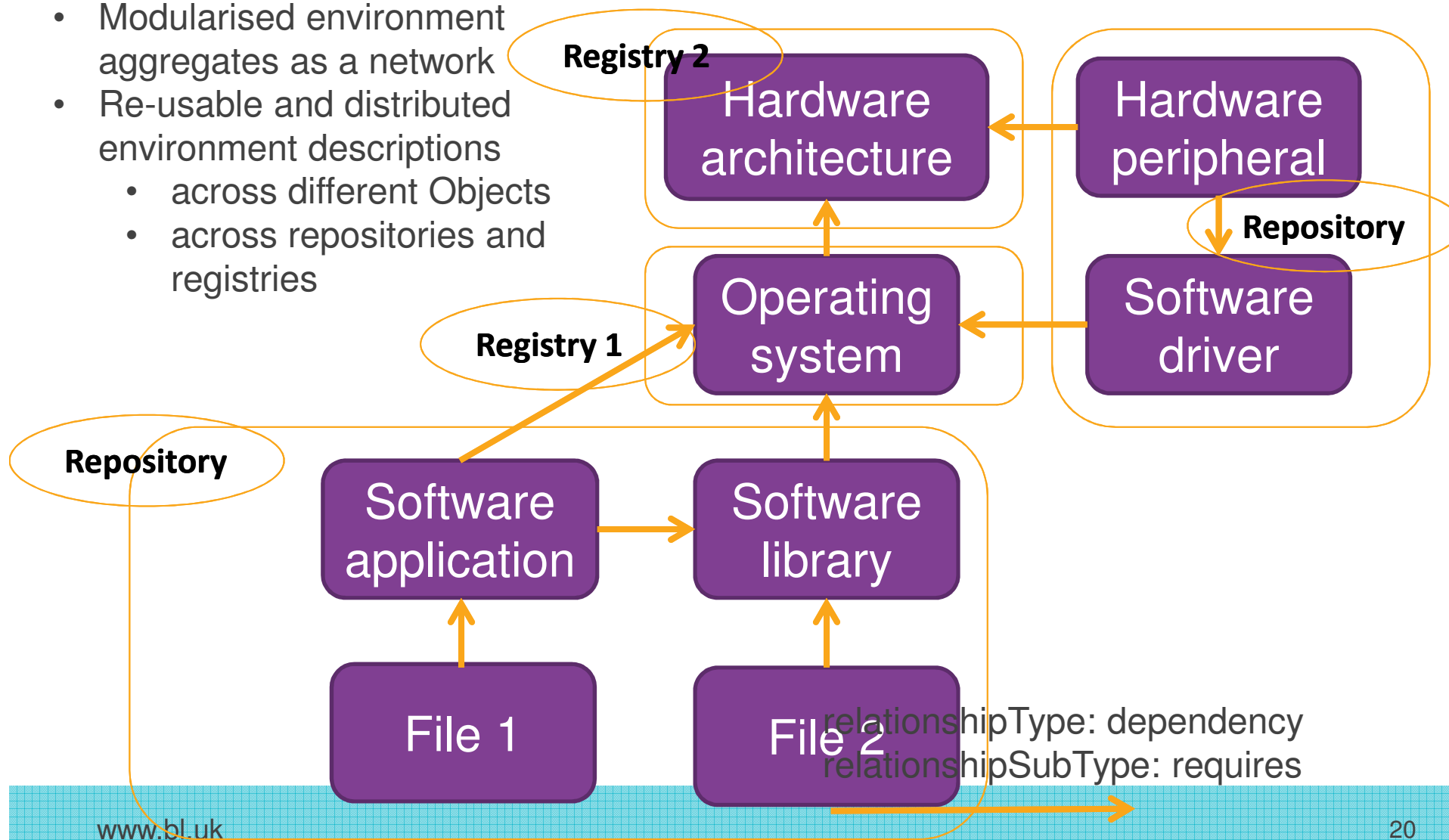


# Make Environments independent Objects

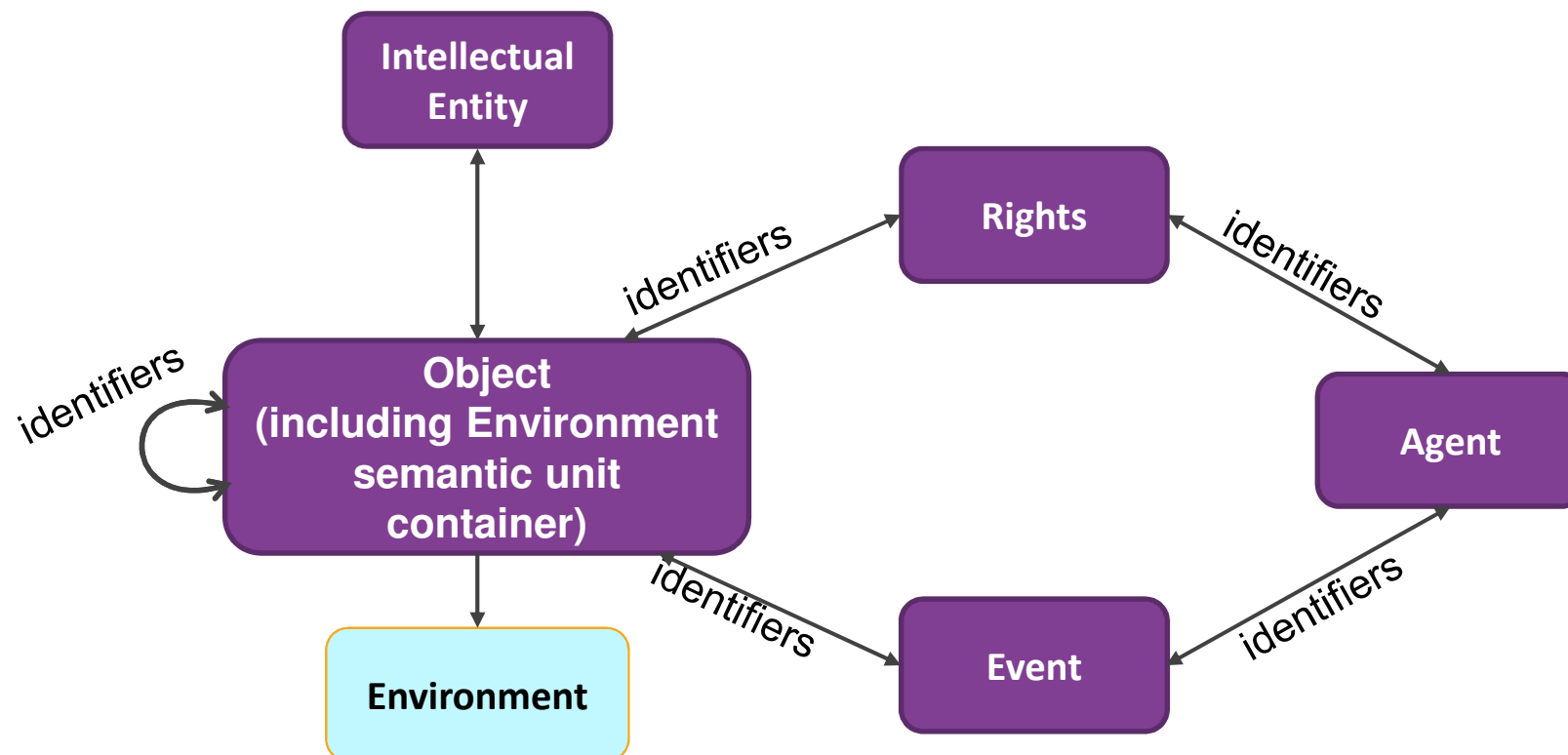
- What is needed to render or use an object
  - Operating system
  - Application software
  - Hardware
  - Computing resources
- A high-level data model
- **No** detailed characteristics specific to an environment type

# Example: Environment stack and dependency relationships

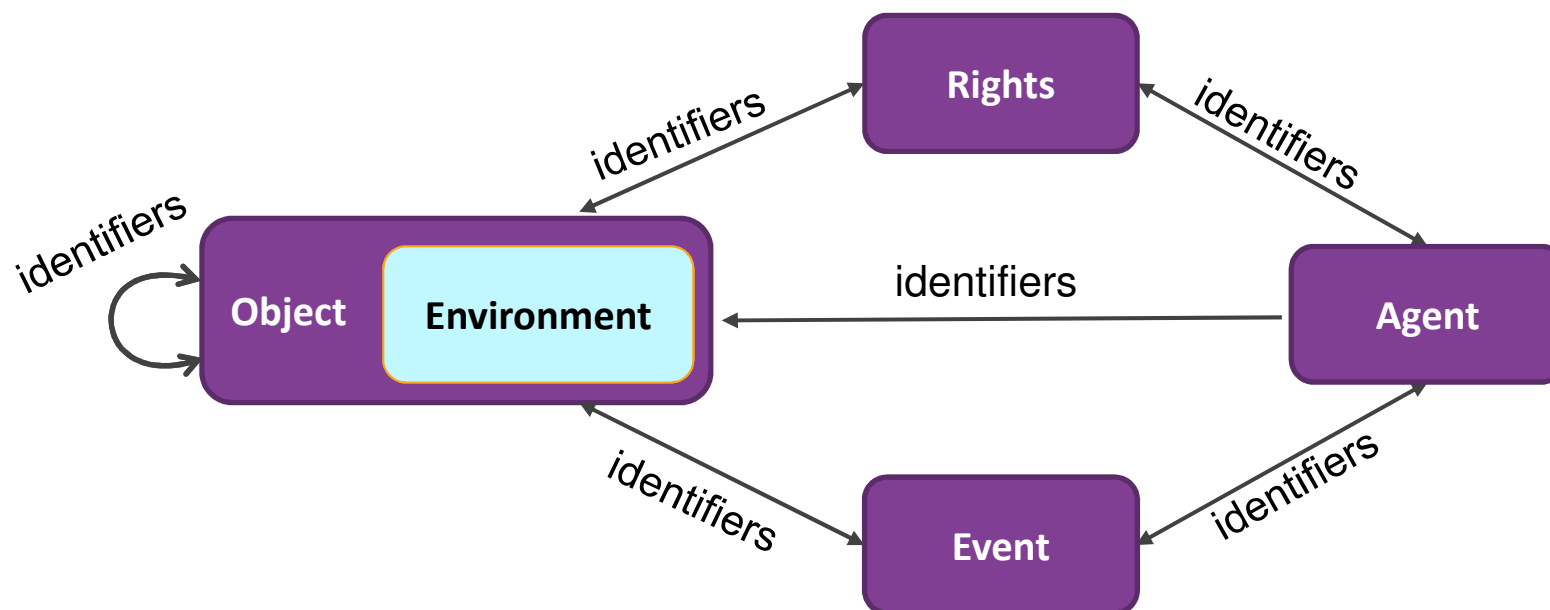
- Modularised environment aggregates as a network
- Re-usable and distributed environment descriptions
  - across different Objects
  - across repositories and registries



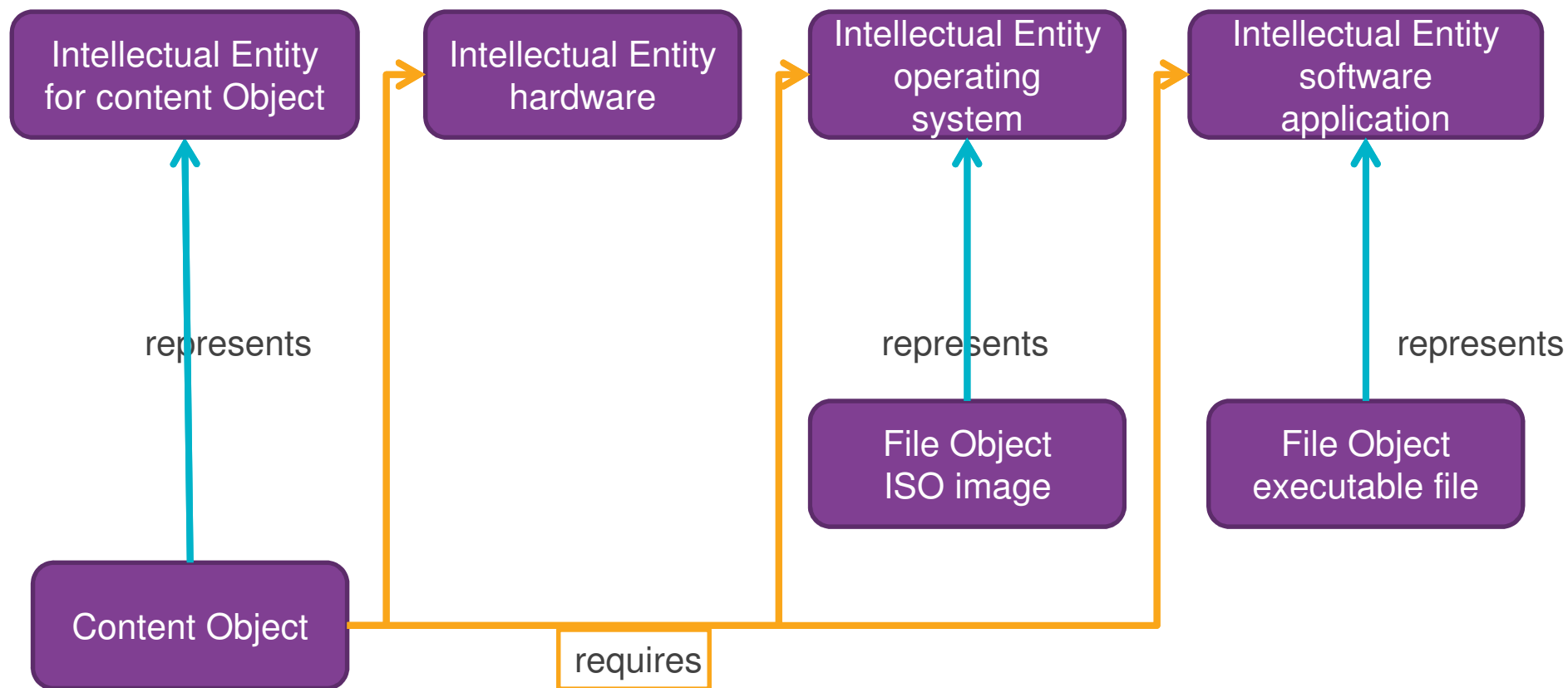
# Data Model in PREMIS V2



# Data Model in PREMIS V3

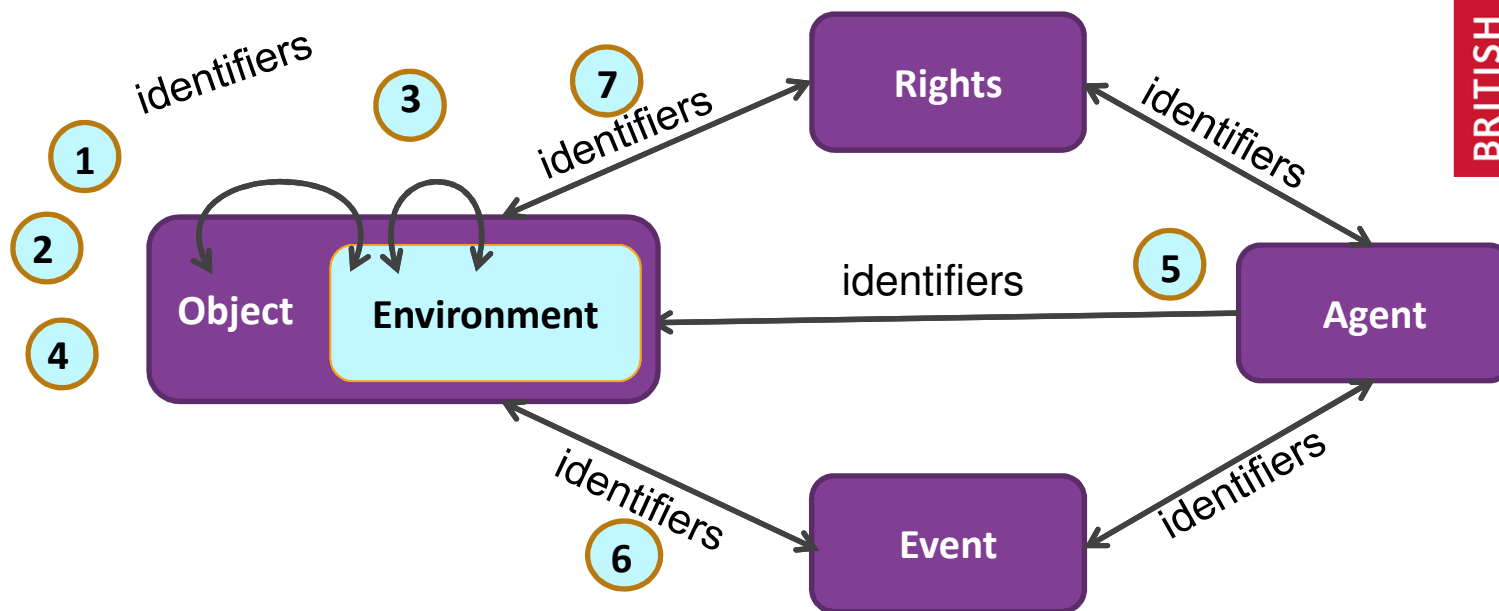


# Example: An object and its rendering environment



represents =  
relationshipType: structural  
relationshipSubType: represents

requires =  
relationshipType: dependency  
relationshipSubType: requires



1. Object to environment - specify computational context
2. environment to Object - documentation, specifications, surrogates
3. environment to environment - inclusion, dependency, derivation, other
4. environment is an Object - preserved software source code
5. Agent to Environment - role of an Agent
6. environment to Event - environment specific Events (provenance)
7. environment to RightsStatement - software license, policy

“Object”: here a traditional content Object

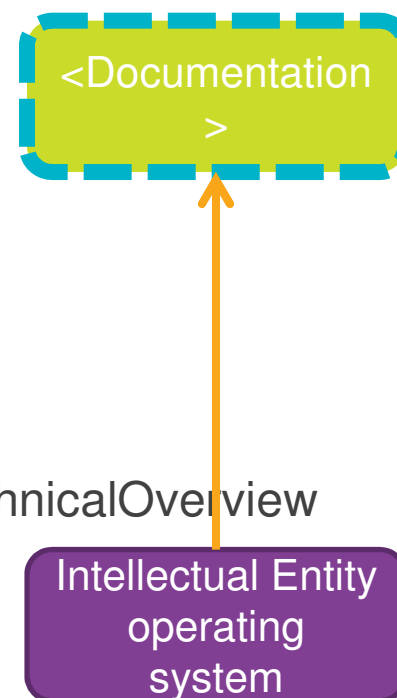


# Expanded relationship types for environment Objects

- Dependency
  - Requires, is required by
  - Is deployed on
- Derivation
  - Is source of, has source
- Logical
  - generalises,  
is generalised by
- Reference
  - Documents,  
is documented in
- Replacements
  - Supercedes,  
is superceded by
- Structural
  - Includes, is included in
  - Represents,  
is represented as

# Expanded relationship types for environment Objects

relationshipType: reference  
relationshipSubType: is documented in  
relatedObjectIdentifier  
    relatedObjectIdentifierType: URL  
    relatedObjectIdentifierValue:  
<https://wiki.ubuntu.com/QuantalQuetzal/TechnicalOverview>



# Semantic units only applicable to environment Intellectual Entities

- 1.9 environmentFunction
  - environmentFunctionType
  - environmentFunctionLevel

objectIdentifier  
objectIdentifierType: ARK  
objectIdentifierValue: ark:/9999/b1  
objectCategory: intellectual entity

environmentFunction  
environmentFunctionType: software  
environmentFunctionLevel: 1

environmentFunction  
environmentFunctionType: operating system  
environmentFunctionLevel: 2

*XP Professional, Service Pack 3*

# Semantic units only applicable to environment Intellectual Entities

- 1.9 environmentFunction
  - environmentFunctionType
  - environmentFunctionLevel
- 1.10 environmentDesignation
  - environmentName
  - environmentVersion
  - environmentOrigin
  - environmentDesignationNote
  - environmentDesignationExtension

objectCategory: intellectual entity

environmentFunction

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environmentFunctionLevel: 1

environmentFunction

environmentFunctionType: operating system

environmentFunctionLevel: 2

environmentDesignation

environmentName: Windows XP Professional

environmentVersion: Service Pack 3

environmentDesignationNote:

maintenance deadline: 2014-04

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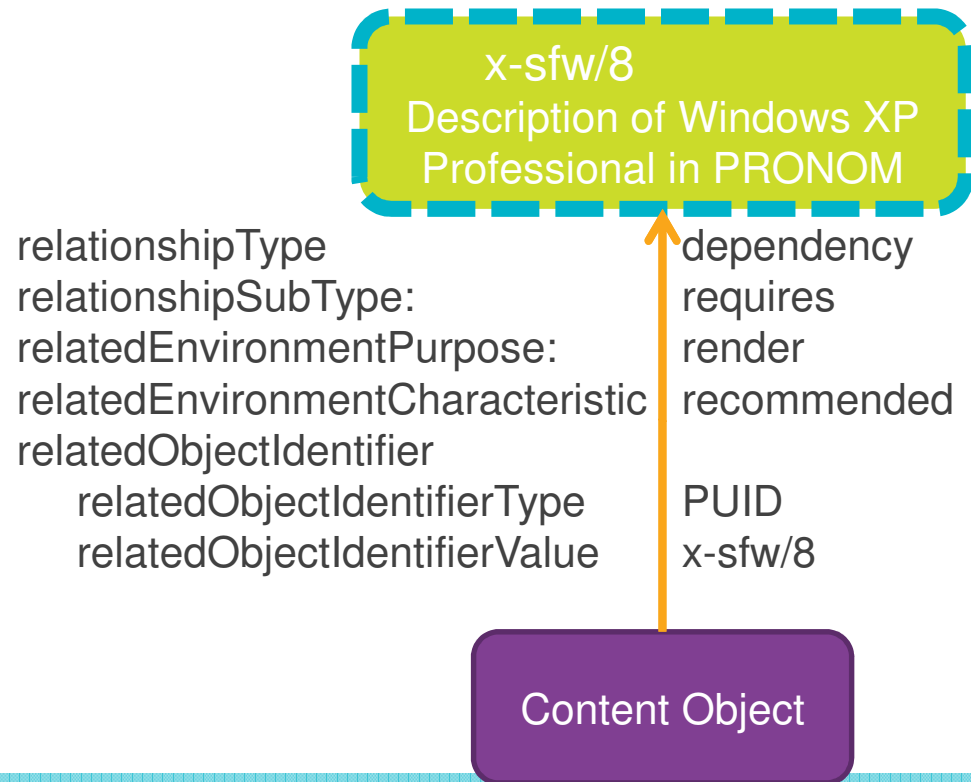
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- 1.11 environmentRegistry
  - environmentRegistryName
  - environmentRegistryKey
  - environmentRegistryRole

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  Professional
  environmentVersion: Service Pack 3
environmentRegistry
  environmentRegistryName: PRONOM
  environmentRegistryKey: x-sfw/8
  environmentRegistryRole: identity
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Alternative:  
Link to an external registry



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  - environmentRegistryRole
- 1.12 environmentExtension
- 1.13 relationship
  - ...
  - relatedEnvironmentPurpose
  - relatedEnvironmentCharacteristic

objectCategory: intellectual entity  
 environmentFunction  
 environmentFunctionType: software application  
*BlueGriffon 1.6*

objectCategory: intellectual entity  
 environmentFunction  
 environmentFunctionType: software application  
*Firefox 10.0*

relationshipType: dependency  
 relationshipSubType: requires  
 relatedEnvironmentPurpose: render  
 relatedEnvironmentCharacteristic: known to work

relationshipType: dependency  
 relationshipSubType: requires  
 relatedEnvironmentPurpose: create

Content Object  
 formatName: text/html

- 1.13 relationship
  - ...
  - relatedEnvironmentPurpose
  - relatedEnvironmentCharacteristic



# Add physical Objects

- A physical Object is
  - A content Object, such as a manuscript, or printed document
  - An environment Object, such as a physical hardware device.
- Representation: A digital or physical Object
- Either one instantiates or embodies an Intellectual Entity
- Digital and non-digital Objects can be captured uniformly.
- Physical Objects can relate to digital Objects and other physical Objects.
- In *V3 storage* is applicable to Representations.  
For physical Representations: the physical location, e.g. a shelf location.

# Add physical Objects

objectIdentifier  
 objectIdentifierType: ARK  
  
 objectIdentifierValue::ark:/12148/cb37367035f  
 objectCategory: intellectual entity

relationshipType: structural  
 relationshipSubType: is represented as

[Physical representation]

relationshipType: derivation  
 relationshipSubType: has source  
 relatedObjectIdentifier  
 relatedObjectIdentifierType: Internal call number  
 relatedObjectIdentifierValue: Rés. Ye-3535

objectIdentifier  
 objectIdentifierType: ARK  
 objectIdentifierValue:  
     ark:/9999/h1.version1  
 objectCategory: file  
 format  
 formatDesignation  
 formatName: image/tiff  
 formatVersion: 6.0

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Thank you

Resources:

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PREMIS Implementors Group Forum:  
[PIG@listserv.loc.gov](mailto:PIG@listserv.loc.gov)