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## Semantic interoperability based on the European Materials and Modelling Ontology

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# VIMMP

VIRTUAL MATERIALS  
MARKETPLACE

# Virtual Materials Marketplace (VIMMP)



<http://vimmp.eu/>

- Horizon 2020 project
  - Innovation action, grant agreement *no.* 760907
  - H2020 (NMBP-25-2017)
  - 4 years project – started on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018

Objective: To support accelerating innovation in manufacturing industries by using electronic, atomistic, mesoscopic, and continuum materials modelling.

engineering challenges

modelling  
& simulation

actionable decisions

materials modelling  
“translation”

# Community governed metadata standards



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## EMMC Focus Area on Digitalization

In computational engineering, digitalization encompasses aspects of representing, managing, accessing, and utilizing digital information about products, components, materials, their behaviour, and their processing.

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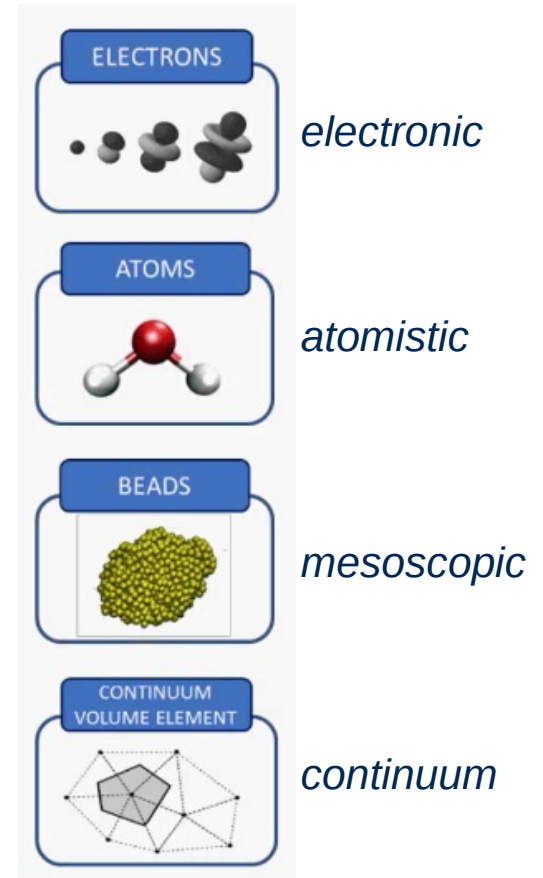
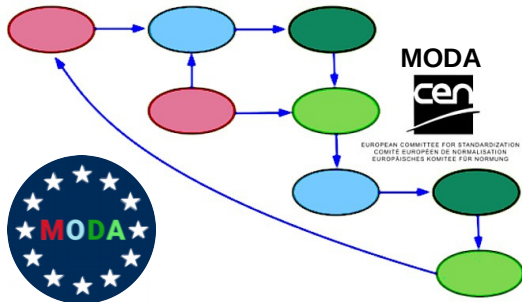
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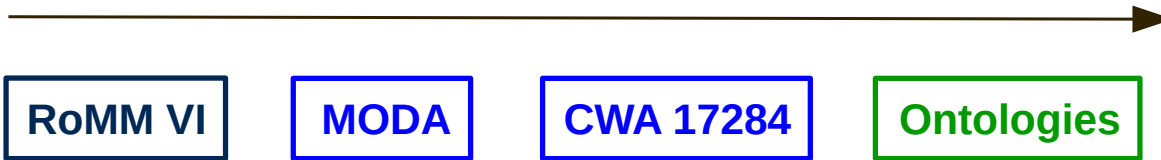
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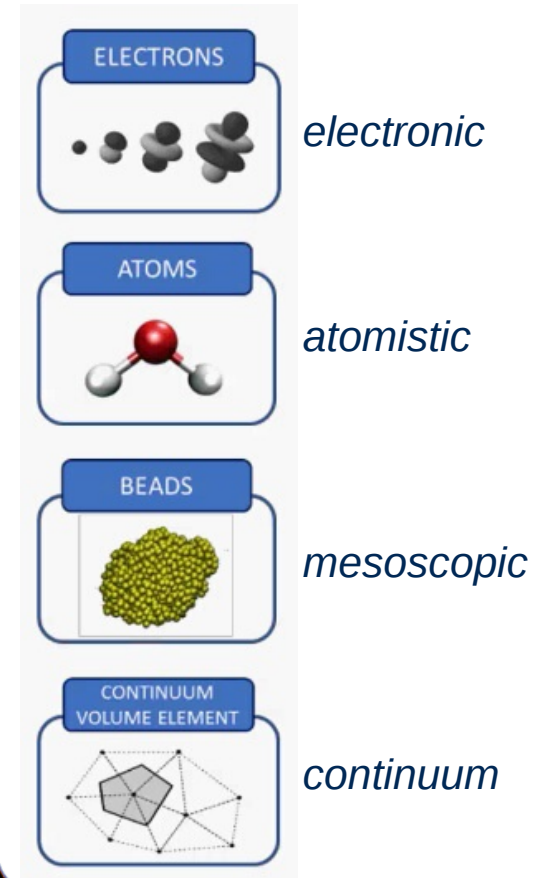
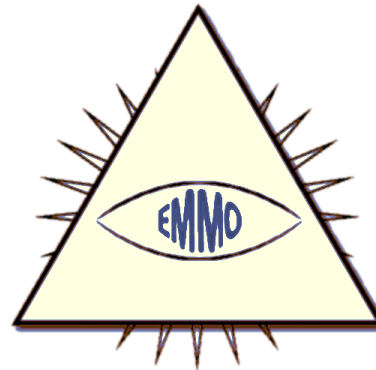
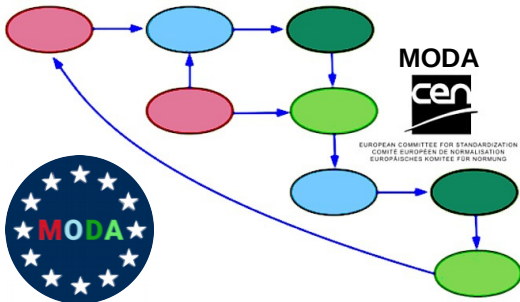


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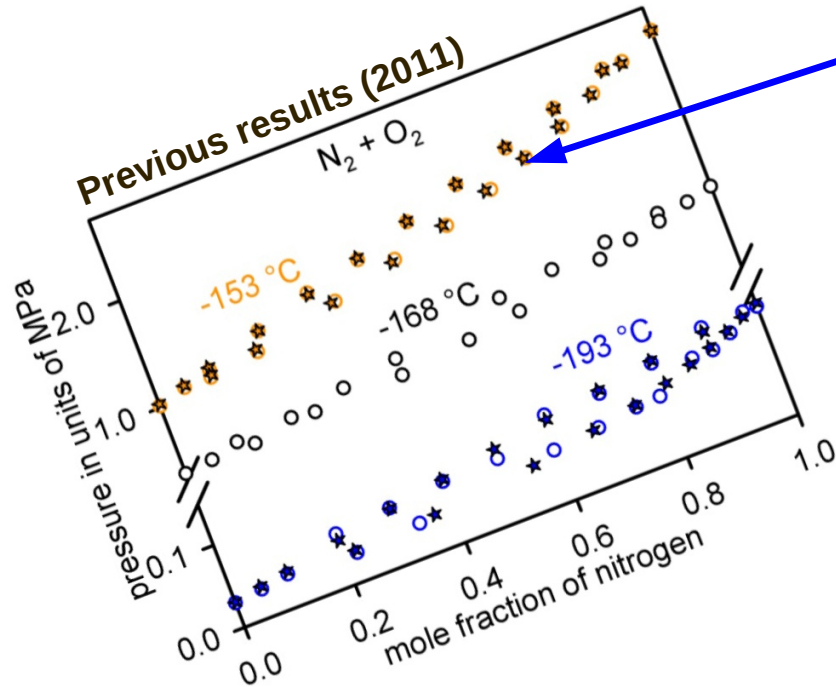
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Domain ontologies  
EMMO top-level ontology



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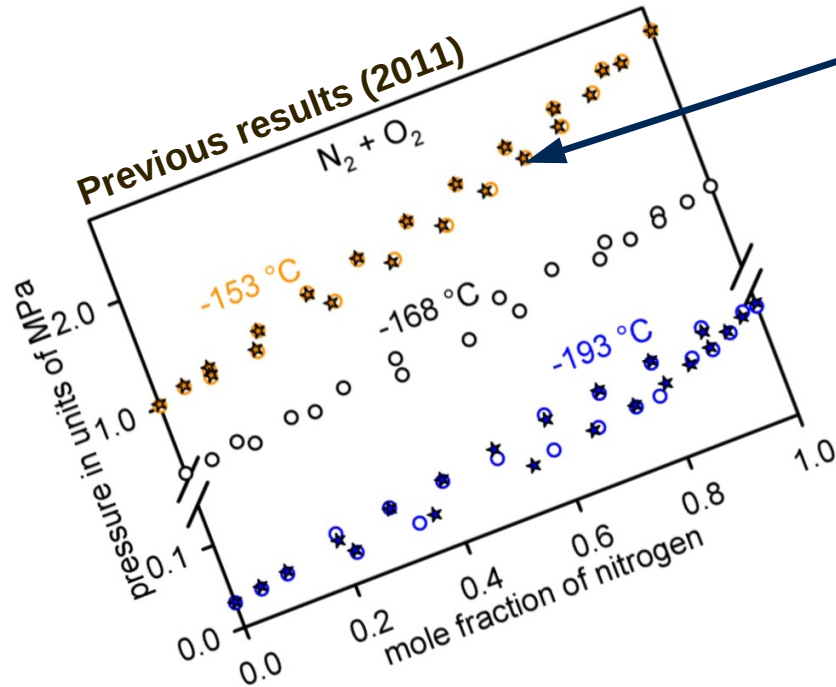
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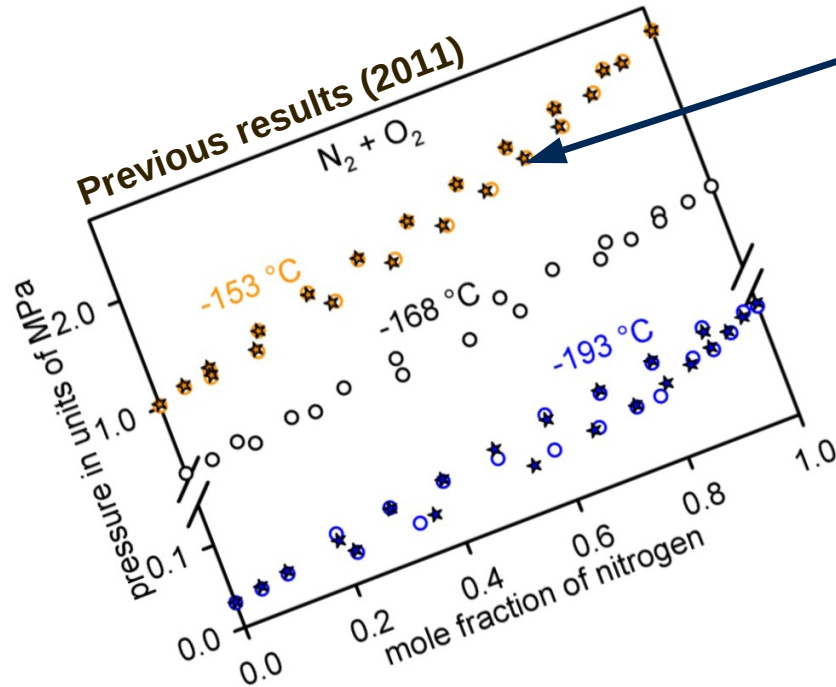
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*Haha, joke. Of course I don't."*

Good practice in managing research data:

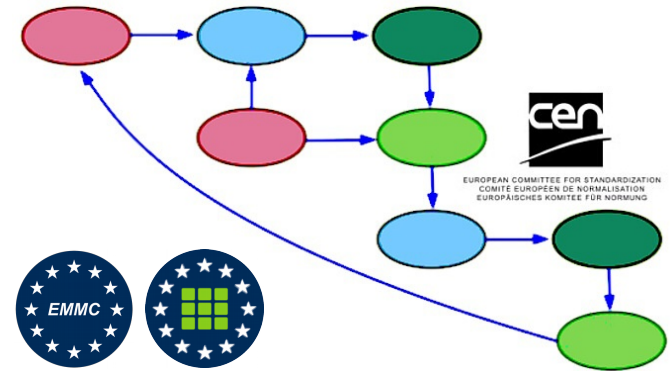
Make all data findable, accessible, interoperable, and reusable (FAIR).

# Provenance description of simulation results: MODA

**MODA**  
**M**Odelling **D**ata providing a description  
**f**or <user-case name>  
**s**imulated in project <acronym>

Data Owner [name, organisation, e-mail]

OVERVIEW of the SIMULATION	
1	<p><b>USER CASE</b></p> <p>General description of the User Case. One sentence is enough.</p> <p>No information on the modelling should appear here. The idea is that this user-case can also be simulated by others with other models and that the results can then be compared.</p>
2	<p><b>CHAIN OF MODELS</b></p> <p><b>MODEL 1</b></p> <p>Please identify the first model. Note these are assumed to be physics-based models unless it is specified differently.</p> <p>Most modelling projects consist of a chain of models, (workflow). Here only the Physics Equations should be given and only names appearing in the content list of the Review of Materials Modelling IV should be entered. This review is available on <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/research/industrial_technologies/e-library.cfm">http://ec.europa.eu/research/industrial_technologies/e-library.cfm</a>. All models should be identified as electronic, atomistic, mesoscopic or continuum.</p>
	<p><b>MODEL 2</b></p> <p>Please identify the second model.</p>
	<p><b>DATA MINING METHODOLOGY</b></p> <p>If data-based models are used, please specify.</p>
3	<p><b>PUBLICATION PEER-REVIEWING THE DATA</b></p> <p>Please give the publication which documents the data of this ONE simulation.</p> <p>This article should ensure the quality of this data set (and not only the quality of the models).</p>
4	<p><b>ACCESS CONDITIONS</b></p> <p>Please list whether the model and/or data are free, commercial or open source. Please list the owner and the name of the software or database (including web link if available).</p>
5	<p><b>WORKFLOW AND ITS RATIONALE</b></p> <p>Please give a textual rationale of why you as a modeller have chosen these models and this workflow.</p> <p>This should include the reason why a particular aspect of the user case is to be simulated with a particular model.</p>



MODA cover

overview

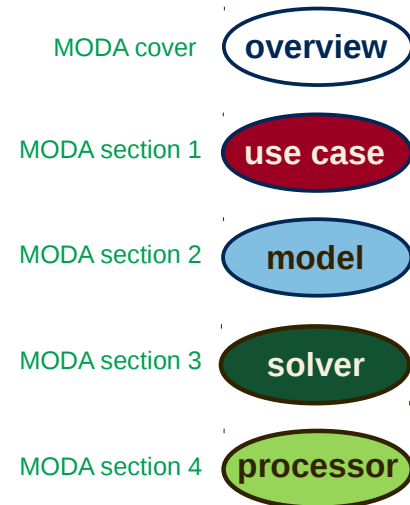
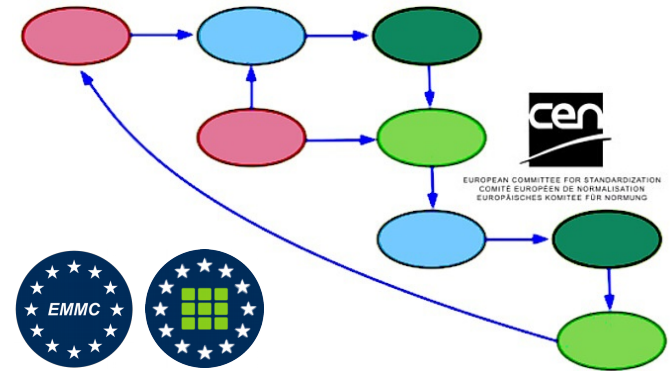


Workflow picture

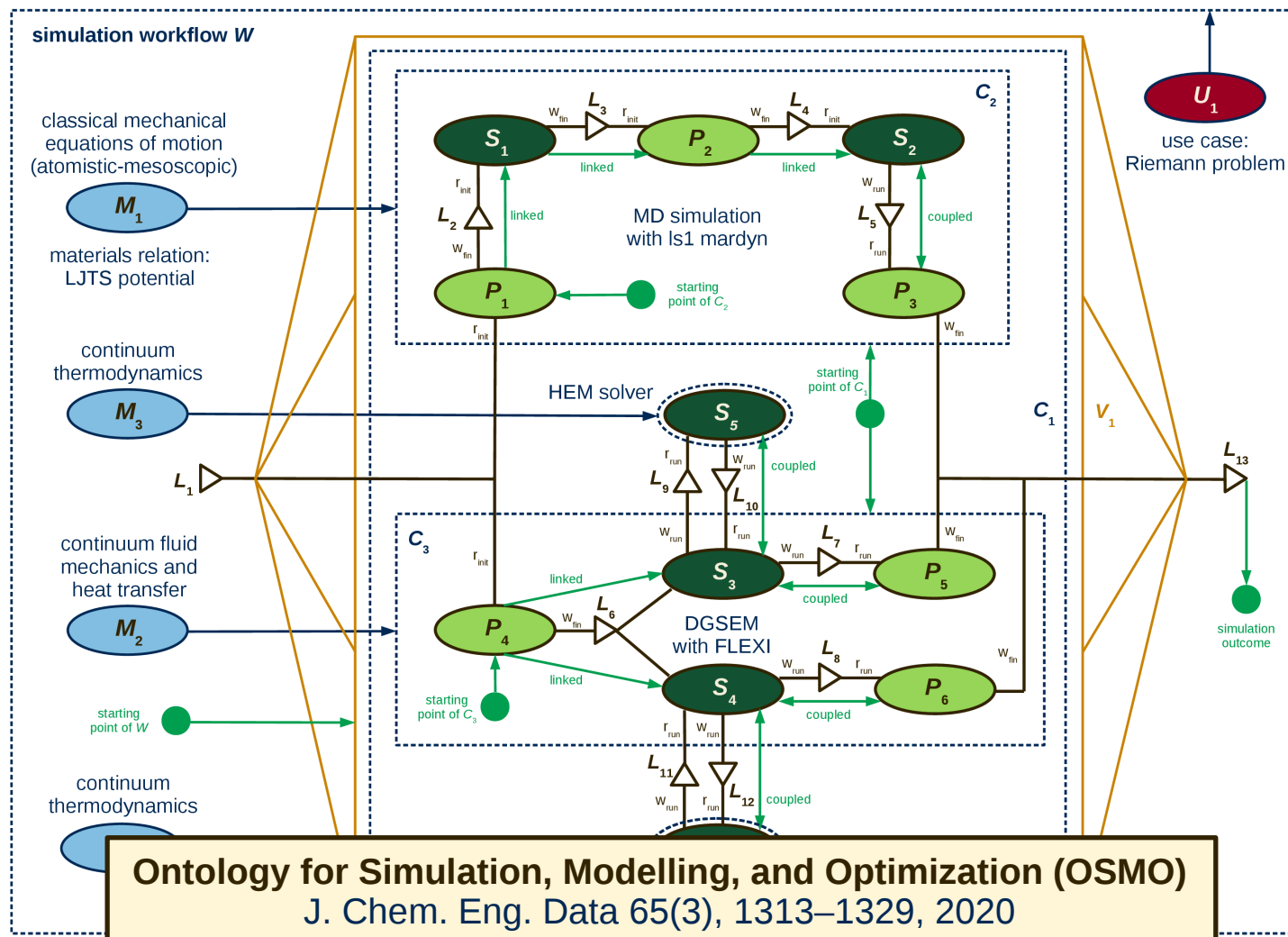
<Please insert your workflow picture >

# Provenance description of simulation results: MODA

3 SOLVER AND COMPUTATIONAL TRANSLATION OF THE SPECIFICATIONS		
3.1	NUMERICAL SOLVER	Please give name and type of the solver e.g. Monte Carlo, SPH, FE, ...iterative, multi-grid, adaptive,...
3.2	SOFTWARE TOOL	Please give the name and if this is your own code, please specify if it can be shared with an evt link to website/publication.
3.3	TIME STEP	If applicable, please give the time step used in the solving operations. This is the numerical time step and this is not the same as the time lapse of the case to be simulated (see 1.4)
3.4	COMPUTATIONAL REPRESENTATION	<p><b>PHYSICS EQUATION, MATERIAL RELATIONS, MATERIAL</b></p> <p>Computational representation of the physics equation, materials relation and material.</p> <p>There is no need to repeat user case info.</p> <p>“Computational” means that this only needs to be filled in when your computational solver represents the material, properties, equation variables, in a specific way.</p>
3.5	COMPUTATIONAL BOUNDARY CONDITIONS	If applicable. Please note that these can be translations of the physical boundary conditions set in the user case or they can be pure computational. (e.g. a unit cell with mirror b.c. to simulate an infinite domain).
3.6	ADDITIONAL SOLVER PARAMETERS	Please specify pure internal numerical solver details (if applicable), like <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Specific tolerances</li> <li>• Cut-offs, convergence criteria</li> <li>• Integrator options</li> </ul>



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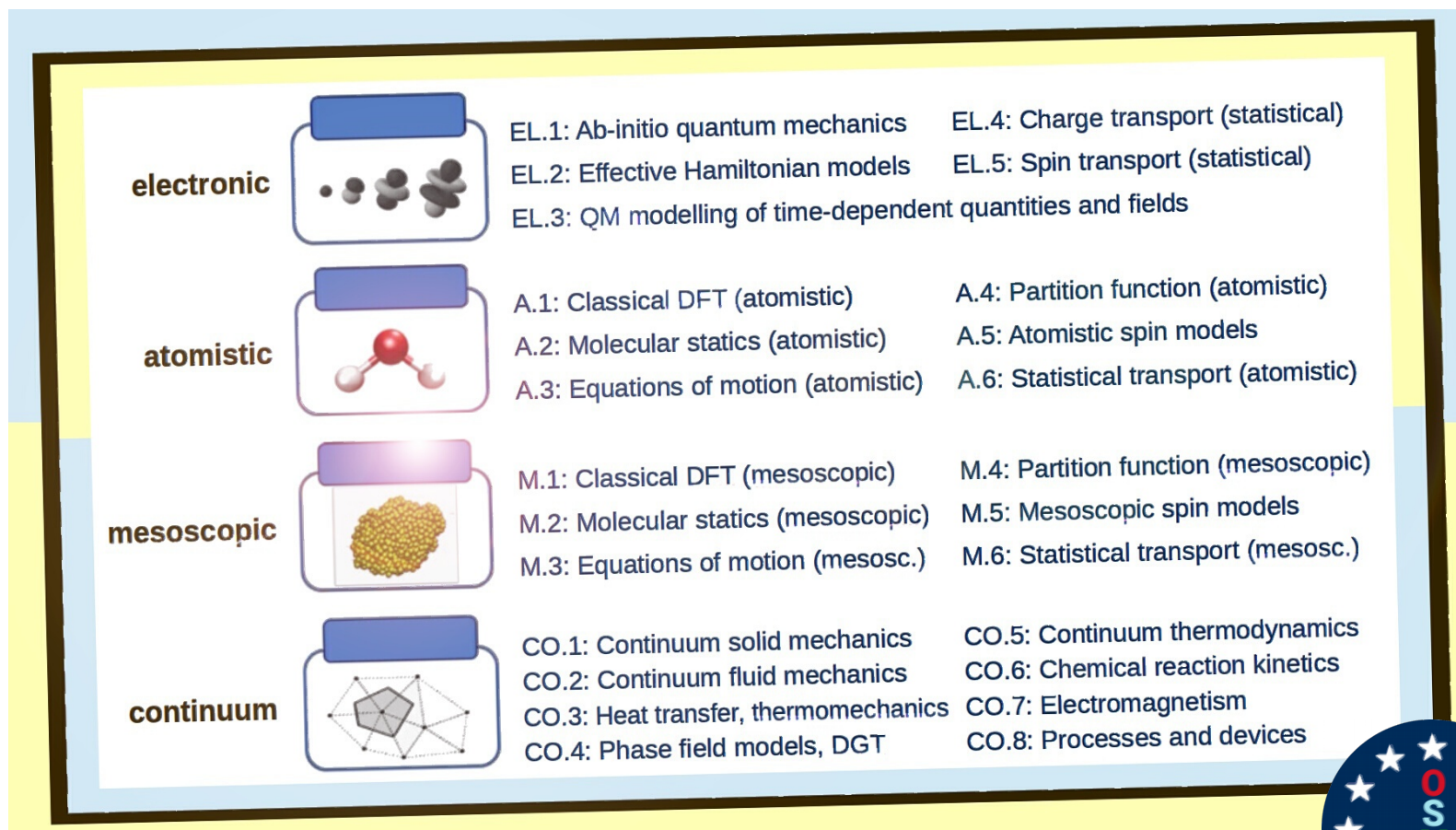


OSMO-based **provenance description** as an extension of the MODA workflow meta-data standard:

For all elements of the graph notation, there are corresponding concepts and relations from the ontology OSMO.



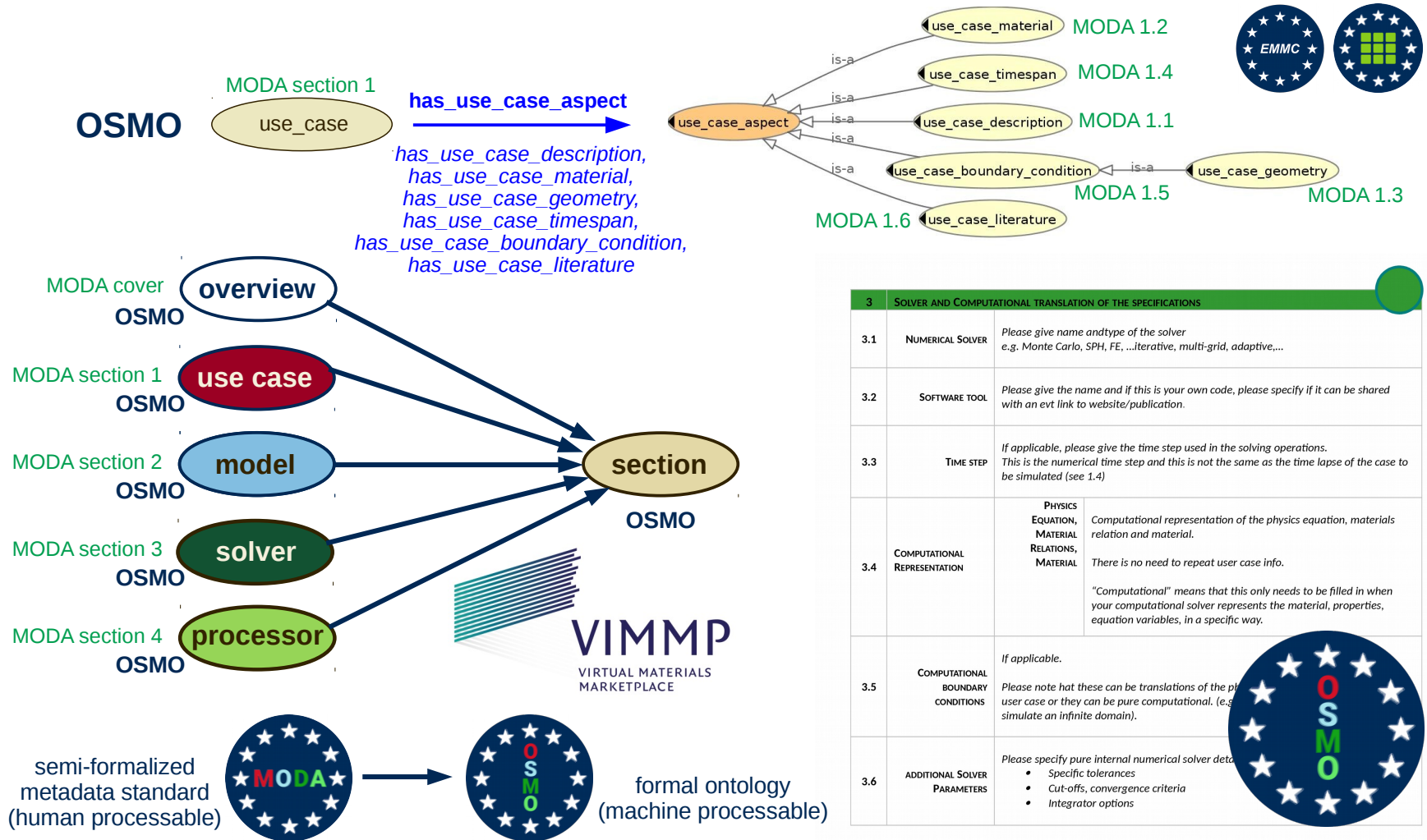
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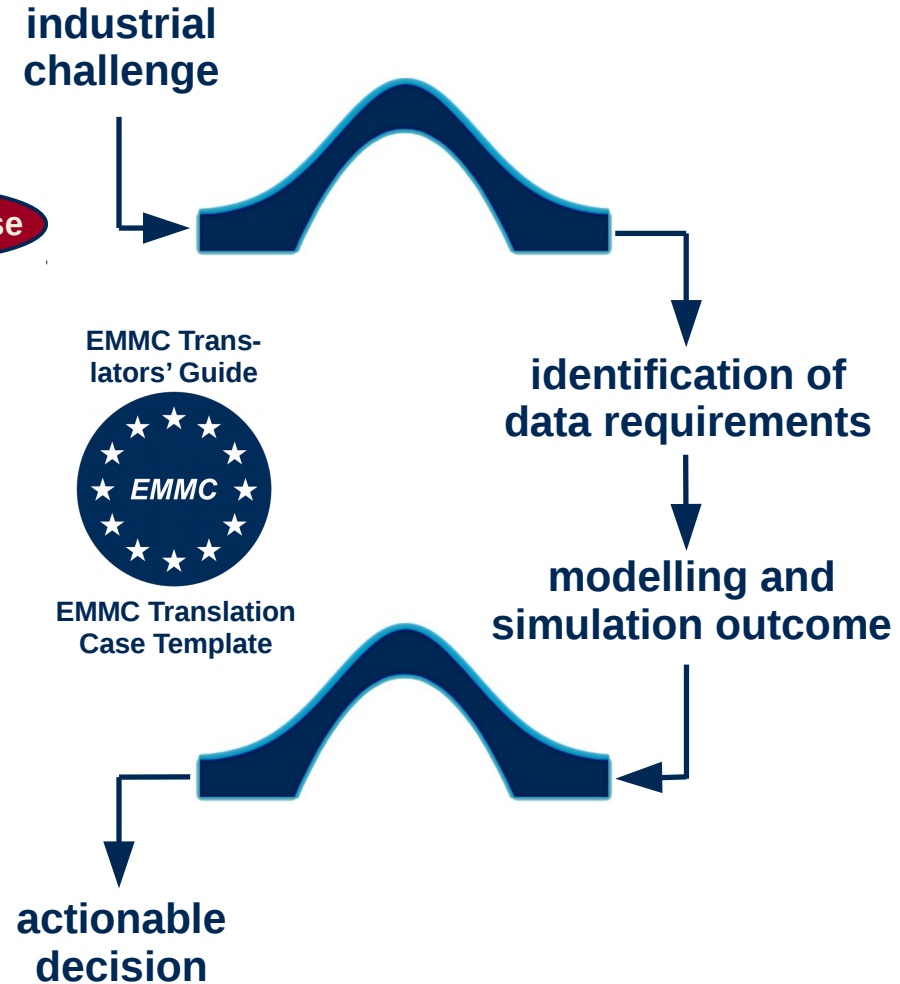
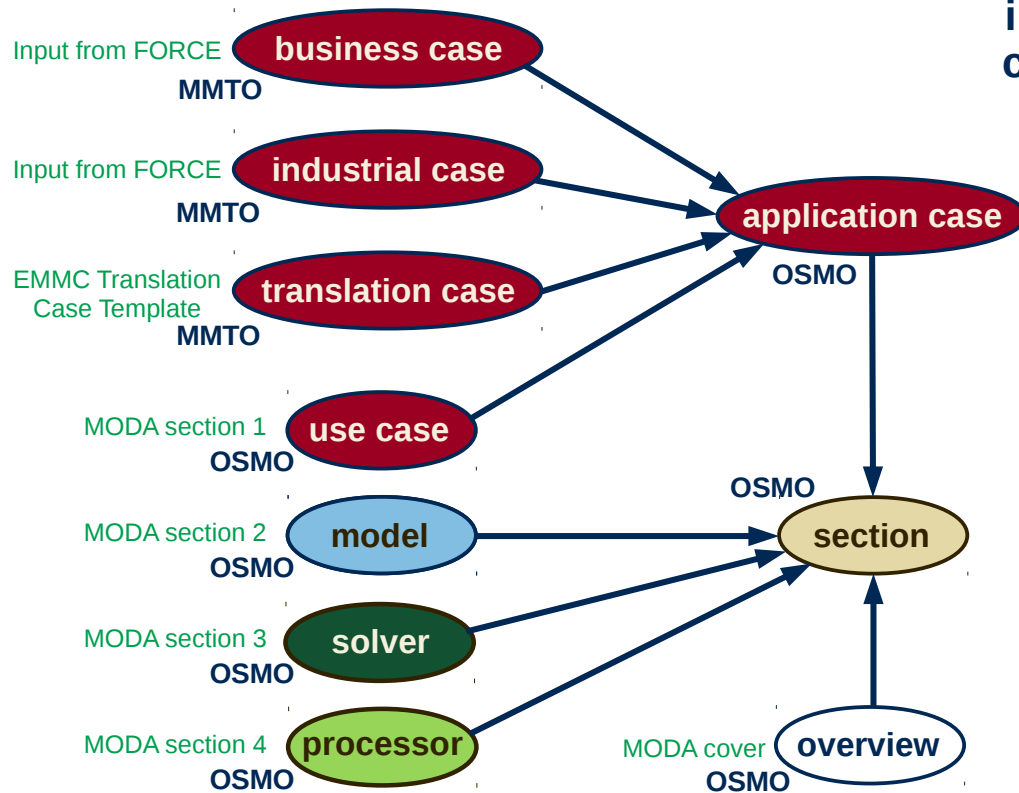
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# Provenance description of simulation results: OSMO



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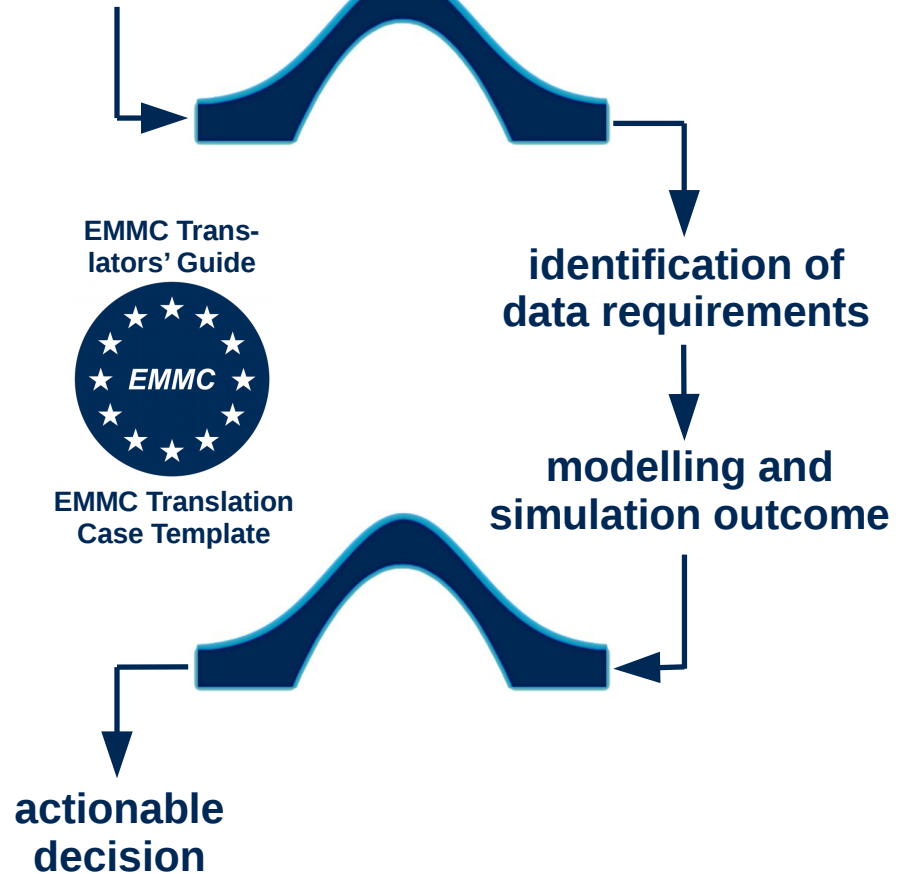


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# “Translation” and the Virtual Materials Marketplace



industrial challenge



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# Matchmaking: VIMMP translation router

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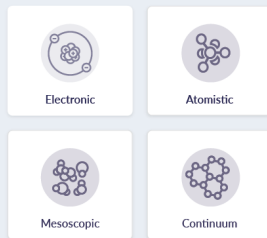
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Topics from other disciplines.

- 3100, 7100 electronic
  - 3120, 7120 physical equation EL.1
  - 3130, 7130 physical equation EL.2
  - etc.
- 3200, 7200 atomistic and mesoscopic
  - 3220, 7220 equations A.1 and M.1
  - 3225, 7225 physical equation M.1
  - 3230, 7230 equations A.2 and M.2
  - etc.
- 3300, 7300 continuum
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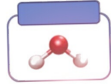
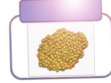

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## Which class of model?



I don't know

<b>electronic</b>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>EL.1: Ab-initio quantum mechanics</li> <li>EL.2: Effective Hamiltonian models</li> <li>EL.3: QM modelling of time-dependent quantities and fields</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>EL.4: Charge transport (statistical)</li> <li>EL.5: Spin transport (statistical)</li> </ul>
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<b>continuum</b>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CO.1: Continuum solid mechanics</li> <li>CO.2: Continuum fluid mechanics</li> <li>CO.3: Heat transfer, thermomechanics</li> <li>CO.4: Phase field models, DGT</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CO.5: Continuum thermodynamics</li> <li>CO.6: Chemical reaction kinetics</li> <li>CO.7: Electromagnetism</li> <li>CO.8: Processes and devices</li> </ul>

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  - 6142 aerospace
  - 6144 automotive
  - 6148 railway
- 6150 biotechnology
- 6155 food
- 6160 medicine
- 6165 paper
- 6170 electrical
- 6175 machinery
- 6180 metal (basic and fabricated)
- 6190 special topics


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**Which class of model?**

  
Electronic

  
Atomistic

  
Mesoscopic

  
Continuum

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**Which material class are you interested in?**

<input type="checkbox"/> Metal	<input type="checkbox"/> Composites
<input type="checkbox"/> Polymer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
<input type="checkbox"/> Ceramic	

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**Which business area are you from?**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Automotive/Aerospace	<input type="checkbox"/> Chemical industry
<input type="checkbox"/> Bio	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Manufacturing
<input type="checkbox"/> Medical	<input type="checkbox"/> Other

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# Data management on the VIMMP backend

The screenshot shows a search interface with a search bar containing 'fluid'. A dropdown menu is open, listing filter options: 5200 fluid (checked), 5450 electrolyte (checked), 5300 bio, 5350 ceramic, 5400 composite, and 5500 metal. The main table displays search results with columns for 'Created On', 'Information Package Profile', and 'Expertise in the Materials'. The 'Expertise in the Materials' column shows a list of codes for each result, such as '5700 polymer, 5400 composite, 5200 fluid, 5450 electrolyte, 56...'.

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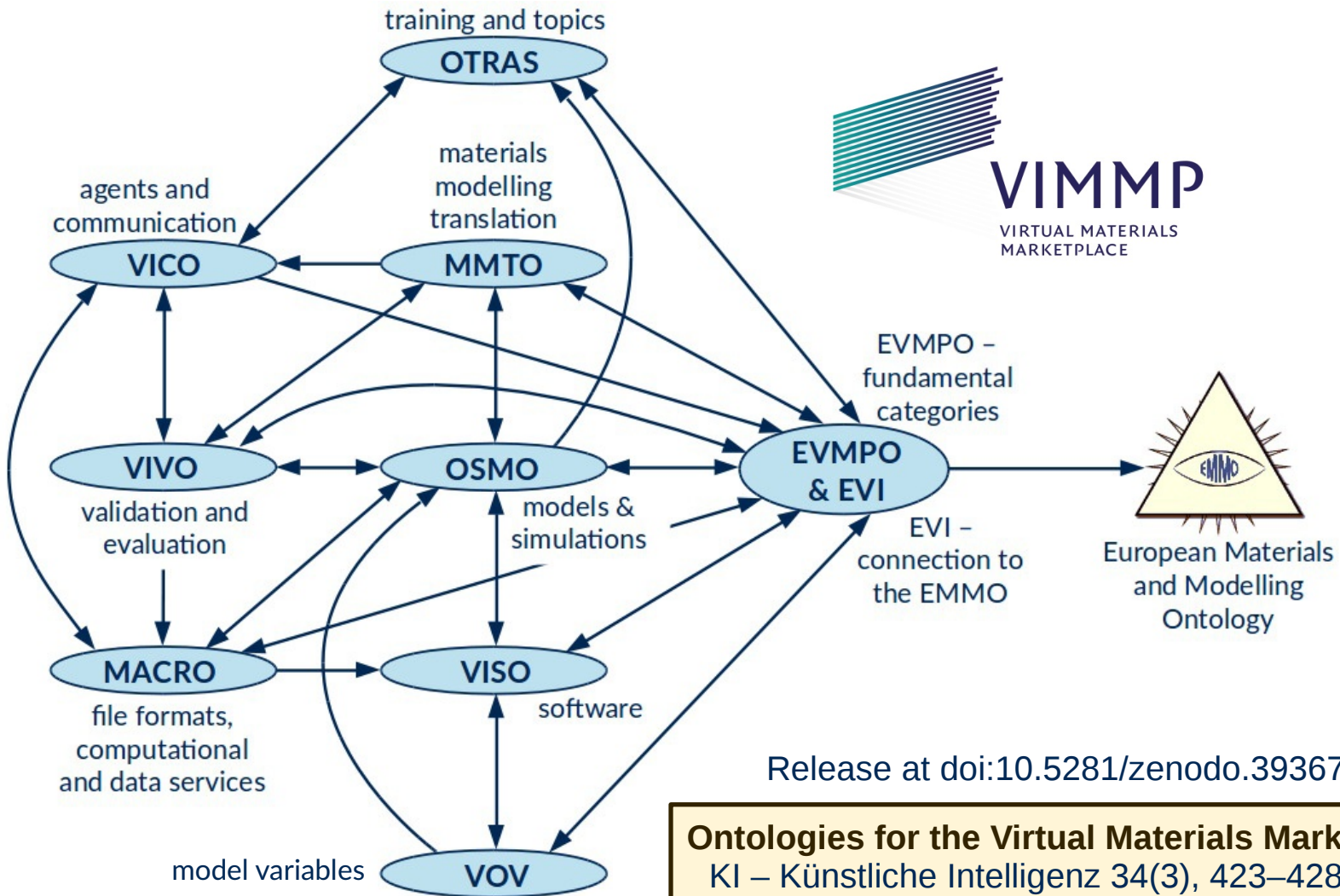
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@hasCitedci...	Video durati...		Integer	VIMMP Pro...	no
@hasCitedPr...	Number of s...		Integer	VIMMP Pro...	no
@hasCodeList	CodeList	CodeList pro...	Code List	Custom Pro...	no
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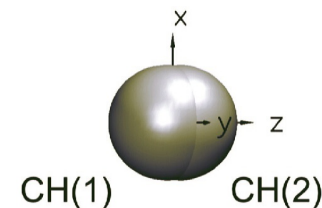
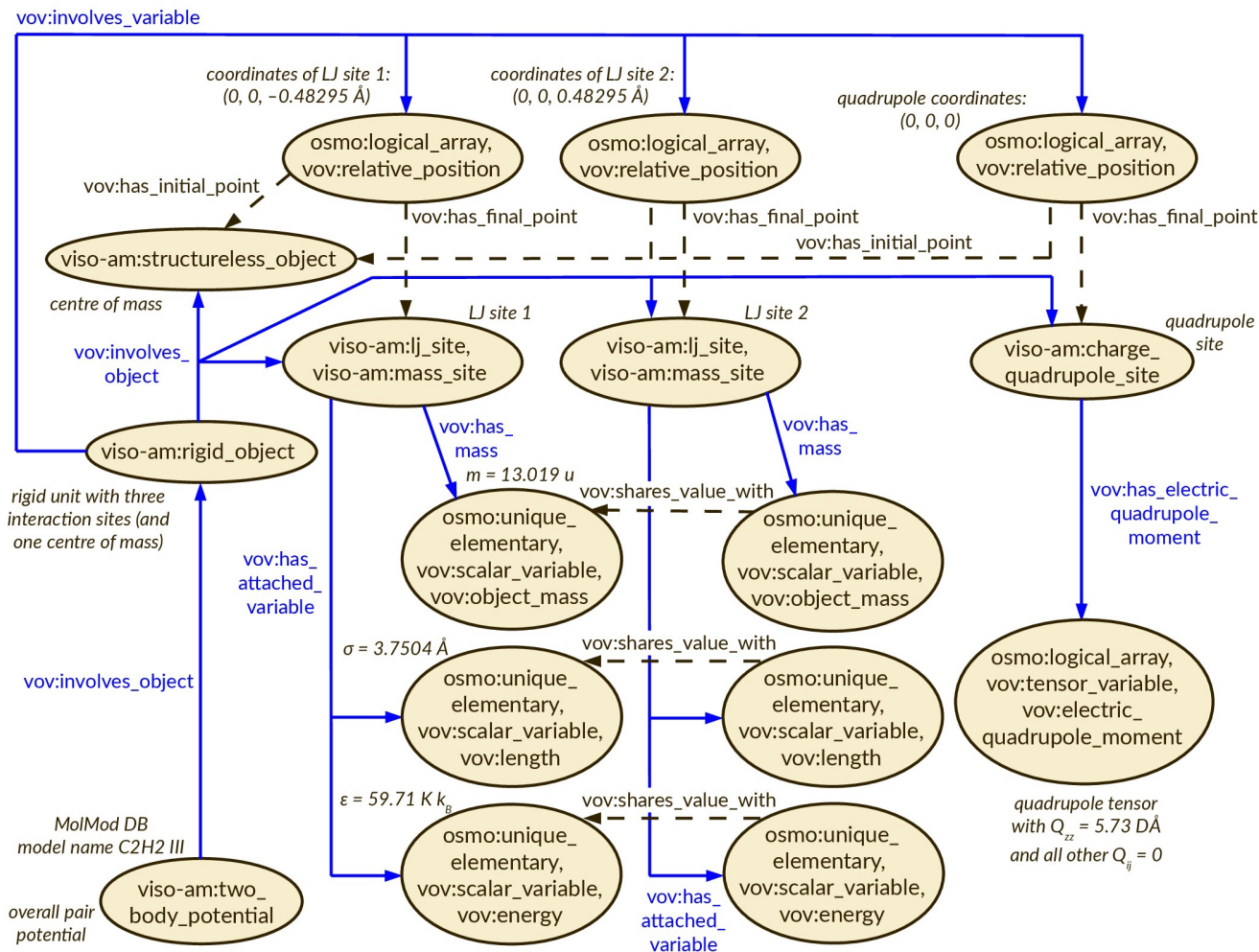
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Property Type	Code List
Preferred Label	Topic (codes)
Definition	
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Default Group	VIMMP Properties
Information Package Property	yes



# VIMMP system of marketplace-level domain ontologies



# Example: Knowledge graph for a molecular model



MolMod DB  
(Molecular Model Database)



<http://molmod.boltzmann-zuse.de/>

pair potentials for  
over 150 molecular fluids

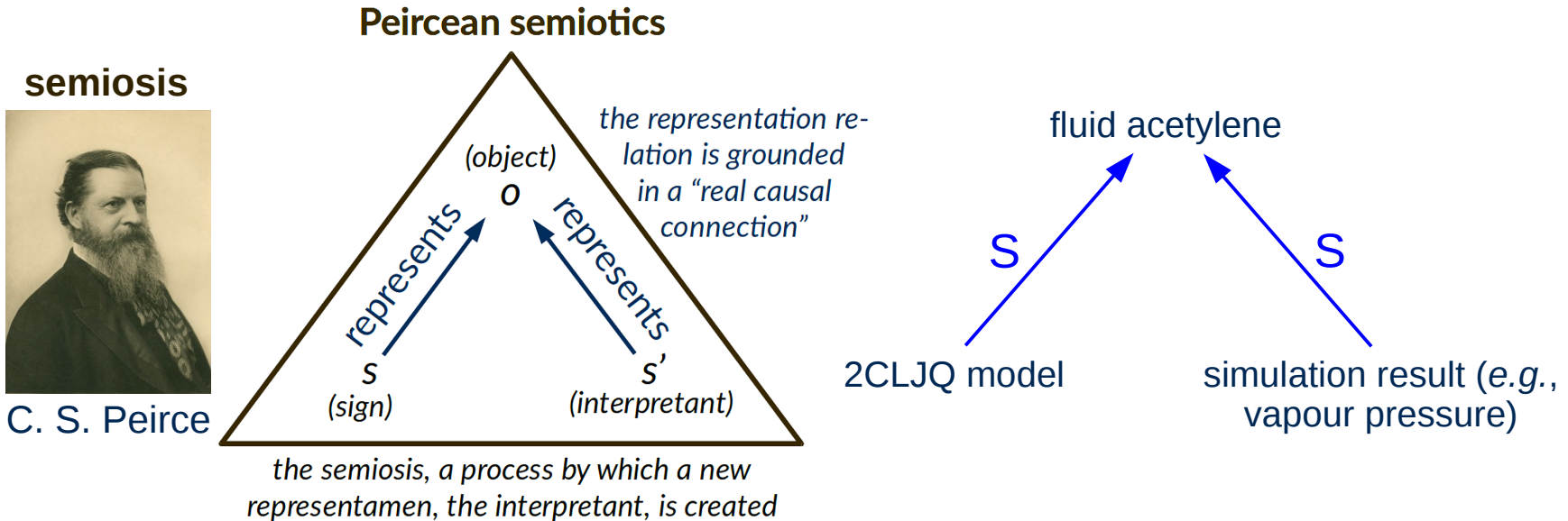


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- 3) **Mereotopology**: Spatiotemporal parthood and connectivity

“represents” or “is sign for” will be abbreviated by **S**

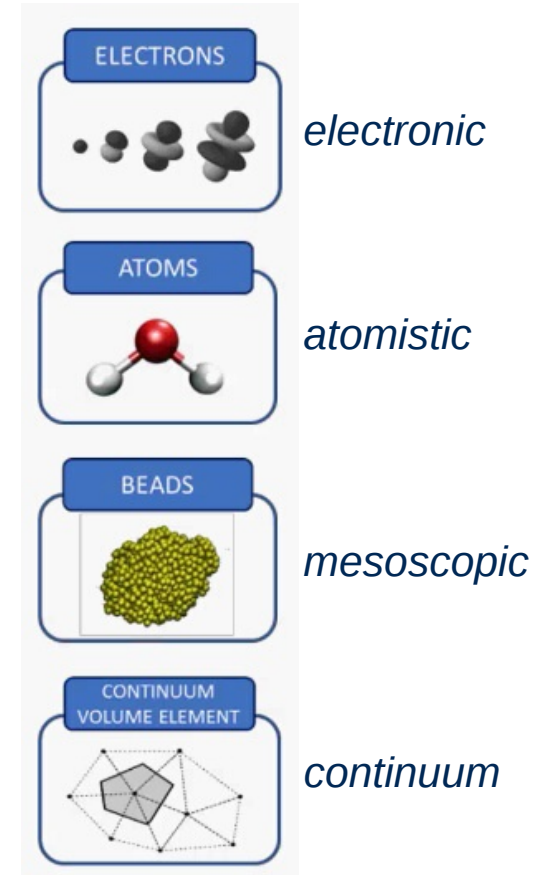
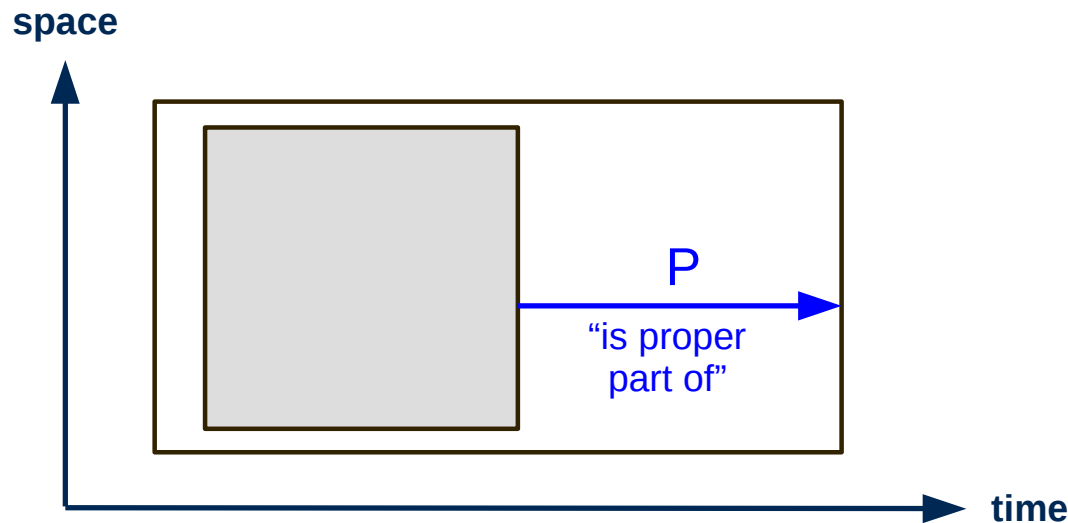


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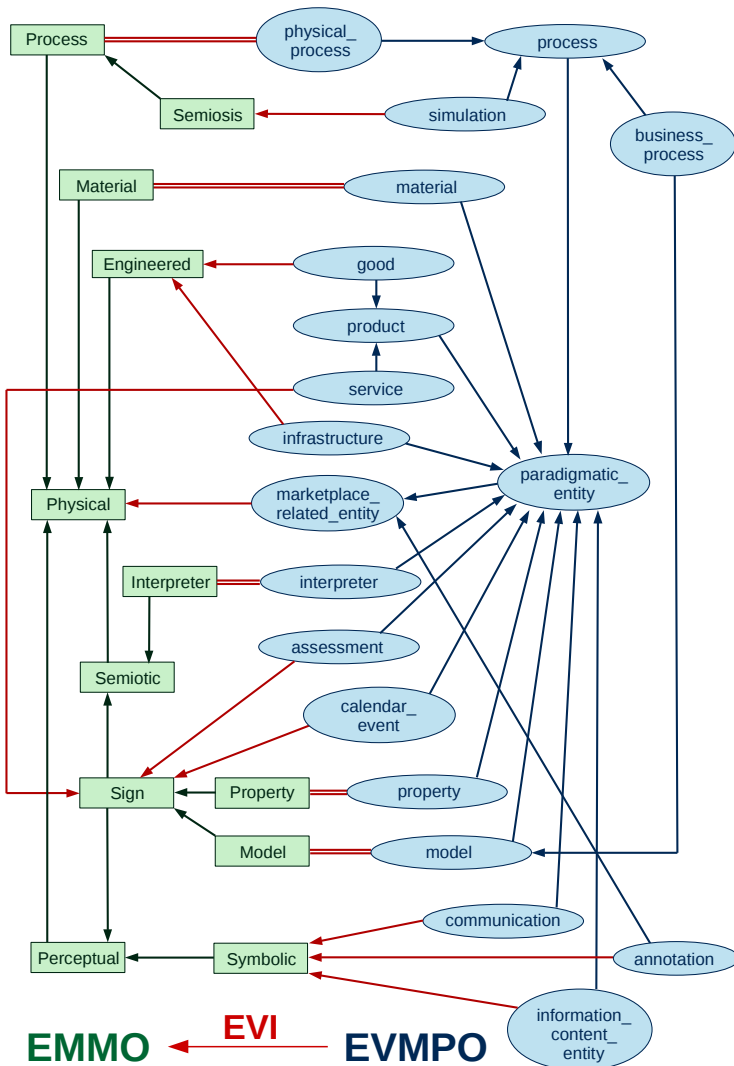
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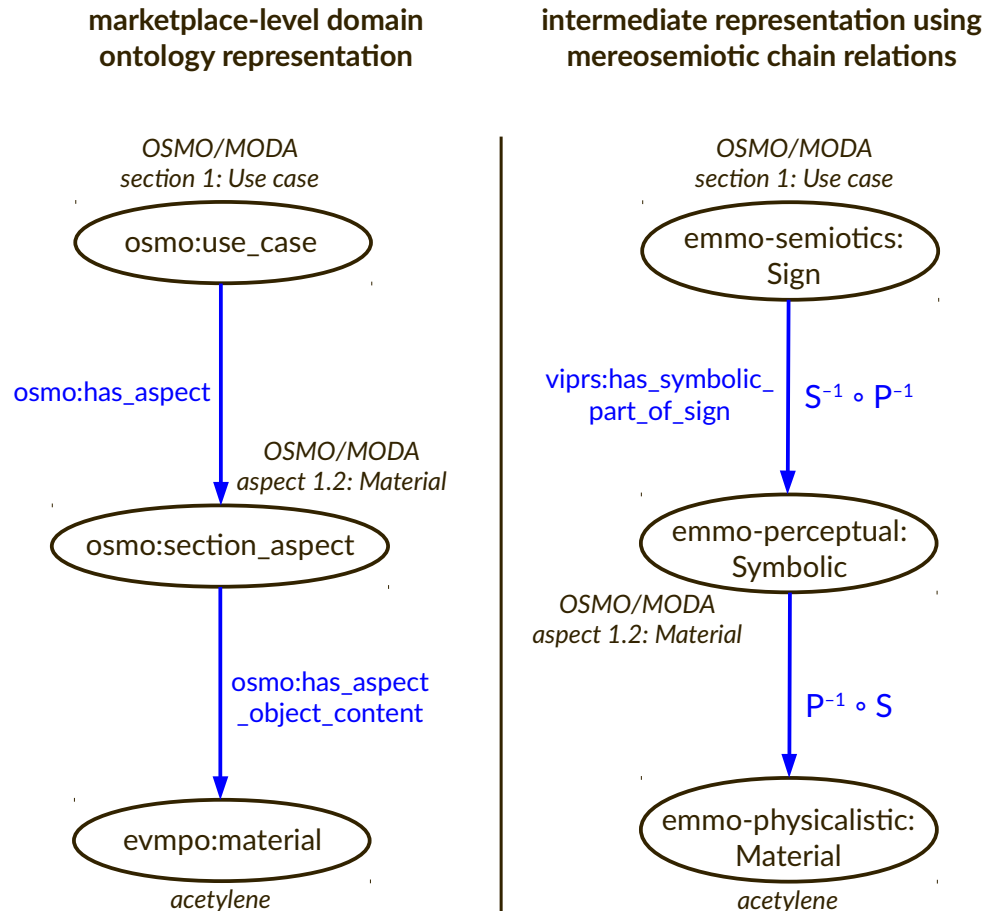


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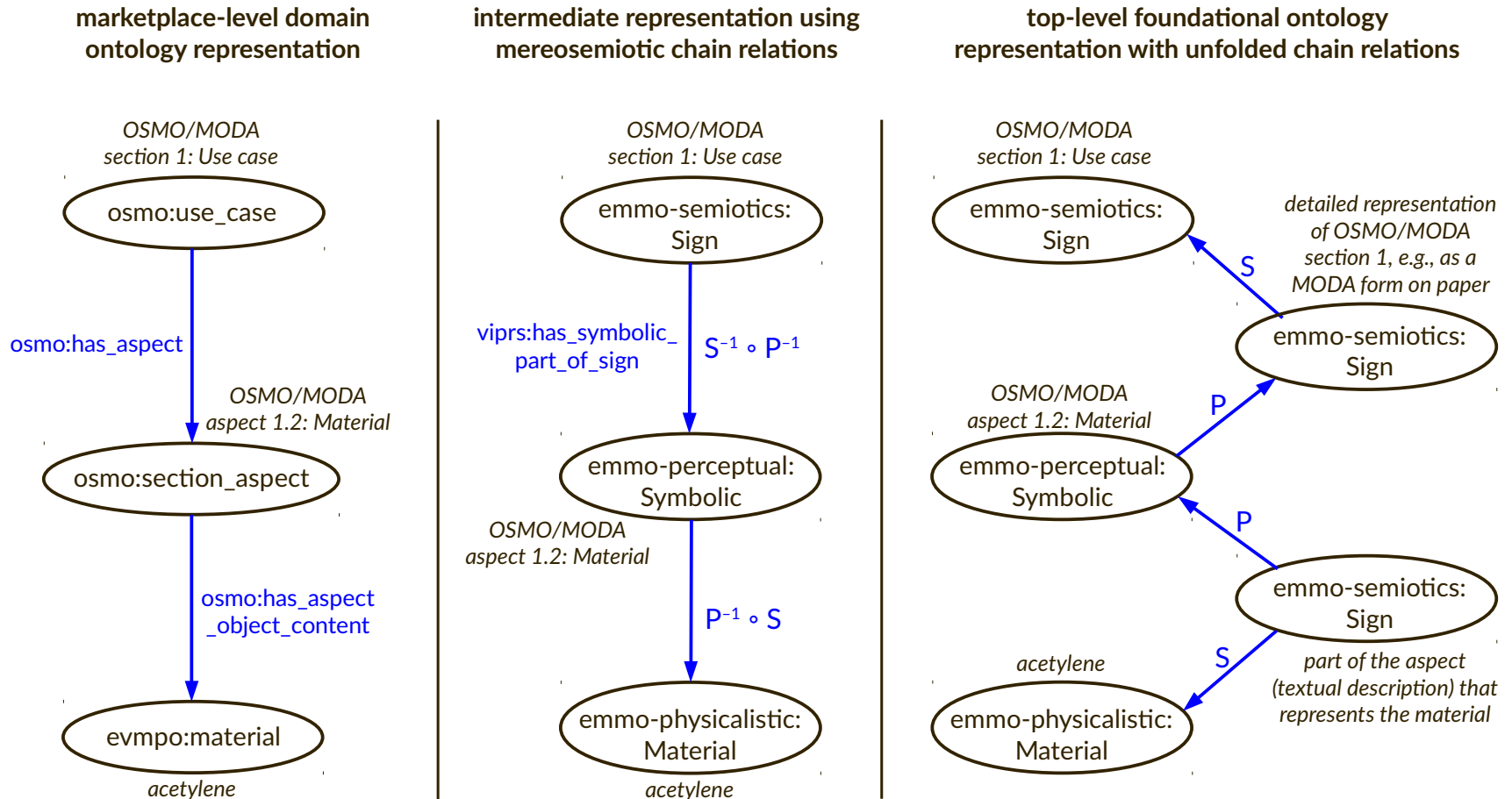
- (0) **annotation** (non-paradigmatic fundamental category), *i.e.*, anything in the knowledge graph that is not under (1) – (11)
- (1) **assessment**, *i.e.*, a proposition on accuracy or performance or an expression of trust
- (2) **calendar\_event**, *i.e.*, a meeting or activity that is scheduled or can be scheduled; from W3C iCal ontology
- (3) **communication**, *i.e.*, a message or part of a message (*e.g.*, an attachment) that is communicated
- (4) **information\_content\_entity** from the Information Artifact Ontology; *e.g.*, a journal article, a data set, or a graph
- (5) **infrastructure**, *i.e.*, a digital platform infrastructure, *e.g.*, data access, hardware, or software
- (6) **interpreter**, *i.e.*, an item that can carry out a semiosis, as formalized by Peirce & the EMMO, creating an interpretant
- (7) **material**, *i.e.*, an amount of substance & part of an object
- (8) **model**, *i.e.*, a representamen that represents an object by direct similitude or within a mathematical framework
- (9) **process**, *i.e.*, temporal evolution of one or multiple entities
- (10) **product**, *i.e.*, a good or service that can be traded
- (11) **property**, *i.e.*, a representamen that is determined as an interpretant by observation, involving a specific observer

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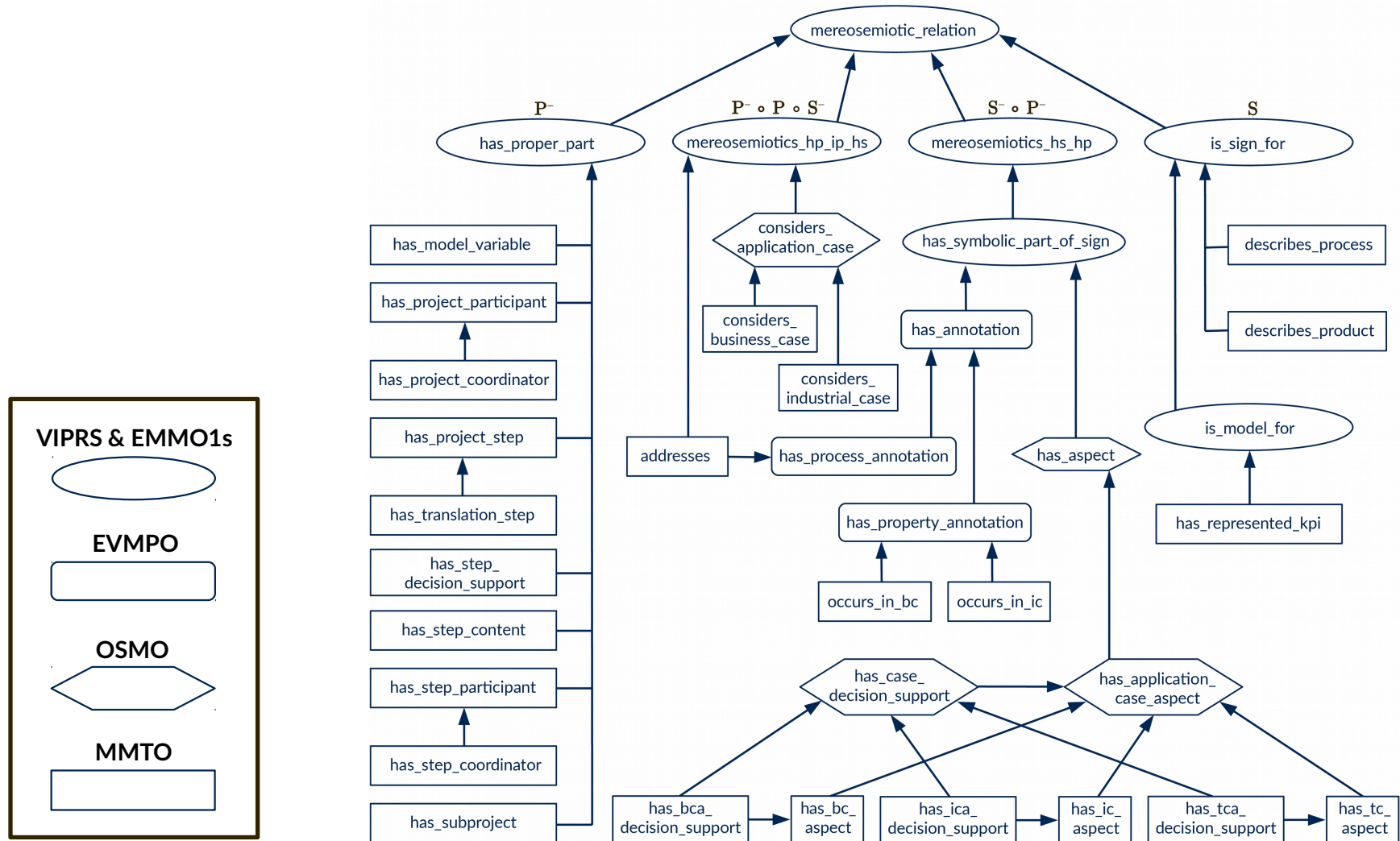
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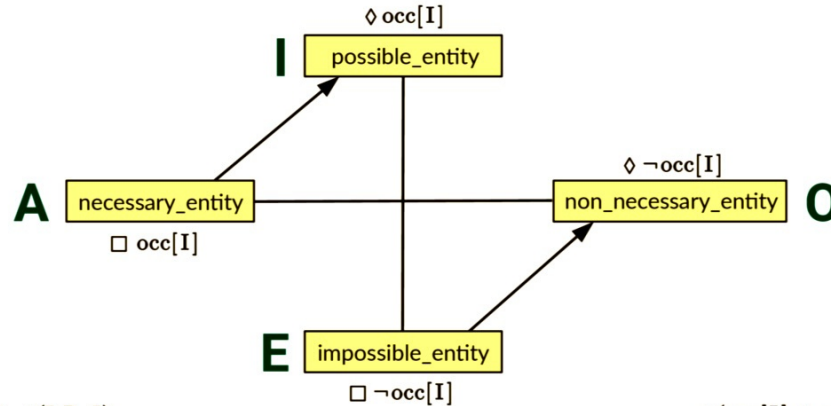
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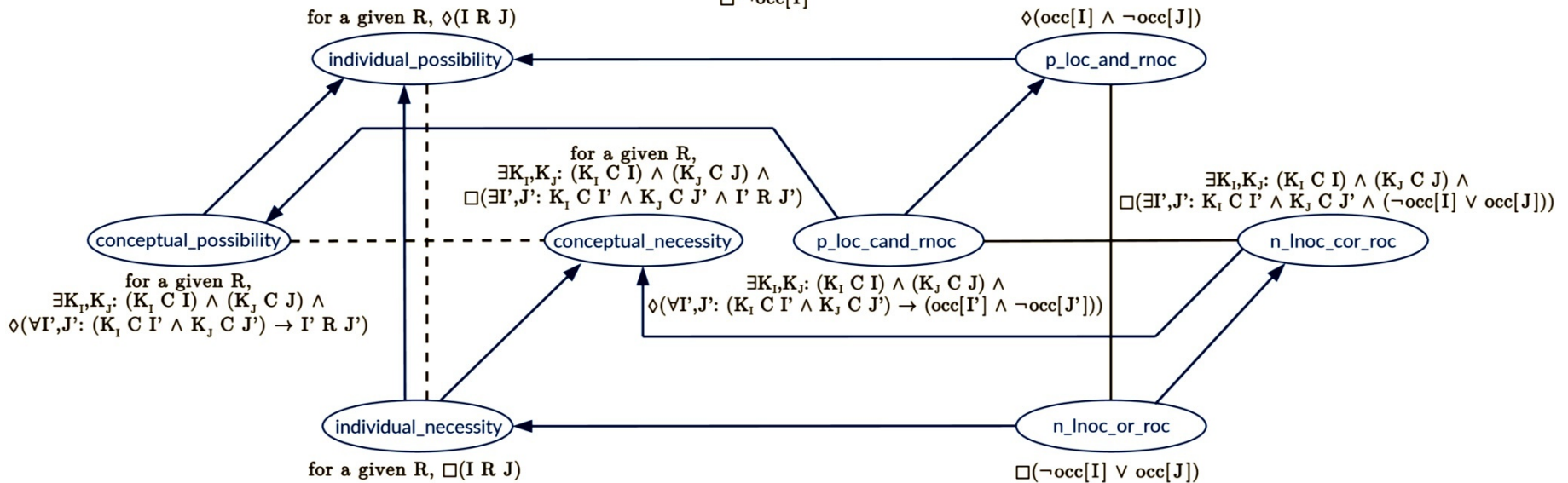
# VIMMP Primitives (VIPRS) and modal relations<sup>1</sup>

design pattern

modal squares  
of opposition



$\Box\phi \equiv \phi$  is necessary  
 $\Diamond\phi \equiv \phi$  is possible  
 $occ[X] \equiv X$  occurs



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## Simulation Workflows in Materials Modelling

15<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021

CECAM HQ  
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8. Complex workflows with AiiDA and Materials Cloud



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