Metadata for Research and Education

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- A New Thinking

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- Problem Statement
- The Learning Object Model (LOM)
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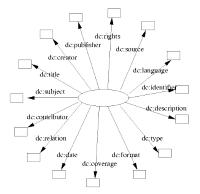
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Dublin Core Hedgehog



(source: Dublin Core Metadata Initiative)

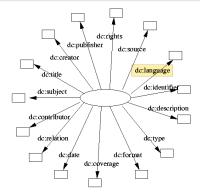


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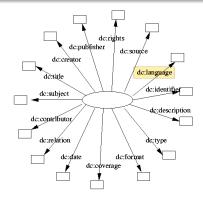


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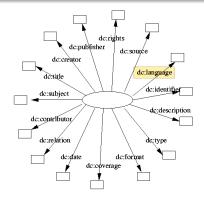


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- issues = Chinese: written or spoken?



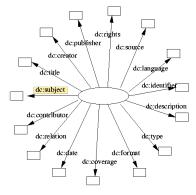
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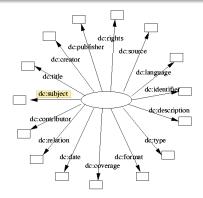


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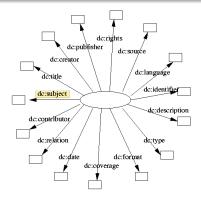


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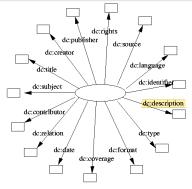
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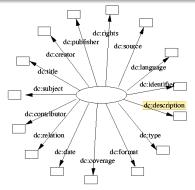


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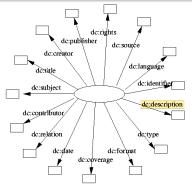


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 - "show" and "demonstrate" \rightarrow same word in french ${\scriptstyle \times}$ =



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Physical Library Standards



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- An OWL Ontology called GeoSkills cf GeoSkills Project Page and GNU Edu/Intergeo SKOS export page

