

# **CRMsoc v. 0.2**

## **A new foundational perspective**

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# CRMsoc : Model for Social Phenomena

## Compatible models & Collaborations

*In this section you can find all compatible models and collaborations to the CIDOC CRM. Each one of them will navigate you to its corresponding web page.*

**FRBR<sub>oo</sub>**

Functional  
Requirements  
for Bibliographic  
Records

**PRESS<sub>oo</sub>**

Modeling of  
bibliographic  
information

**CRM<sub>inf</sub>**

Argumentation  
model

**CRM<sub>archaeo</sub>**

Excavation  
model

**CRM<sub>sci</sub>**

Scientific  
observation  
model

**CRM<sub>geo</sub>**

Spatiotemporal  
model

**CRM<sub>dig</sub>**

Model for  
provenance  
metadata

**CRM<sub>ba</sub>**

Model for  
Archaeological  
Buildings

**CRM<sub>tex</sub>**

Model  
for the study  
of ancient texts

**CRM<sub>soc</sub>**

Model for  
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Phenomena

# Modelling phenomena of social life

What are we talking about?

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# Modelling principles in CRMbase: Reality, Knowledge Bases and CIDOC CRM

(Definition of the CIDOC Conceptual Reference Model, Version 7.1.1, April 2021)

“The material reality.

For the purpose of the CIDOC CRM, *material reality* is regarded as whatever has substance that can be perceived with senses or instruments. Examples are [...]. It is constrained to space and time.

***What goes on in our minds*** or is produced by our minds is also regarded as part of the material reality, as *it becomes materially evident to other people* at least by our utterances, behavior and products. ”

**Material reality**

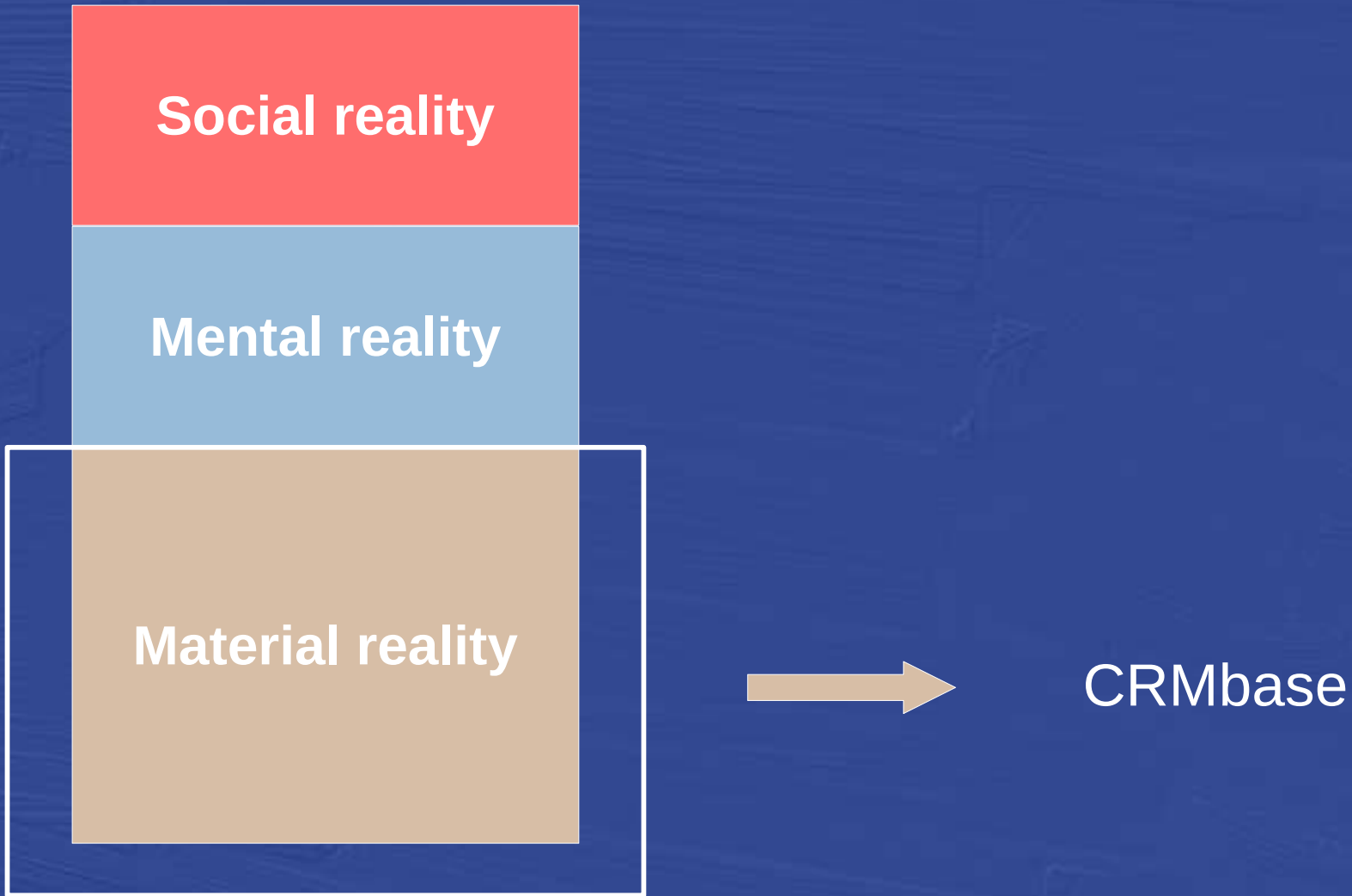


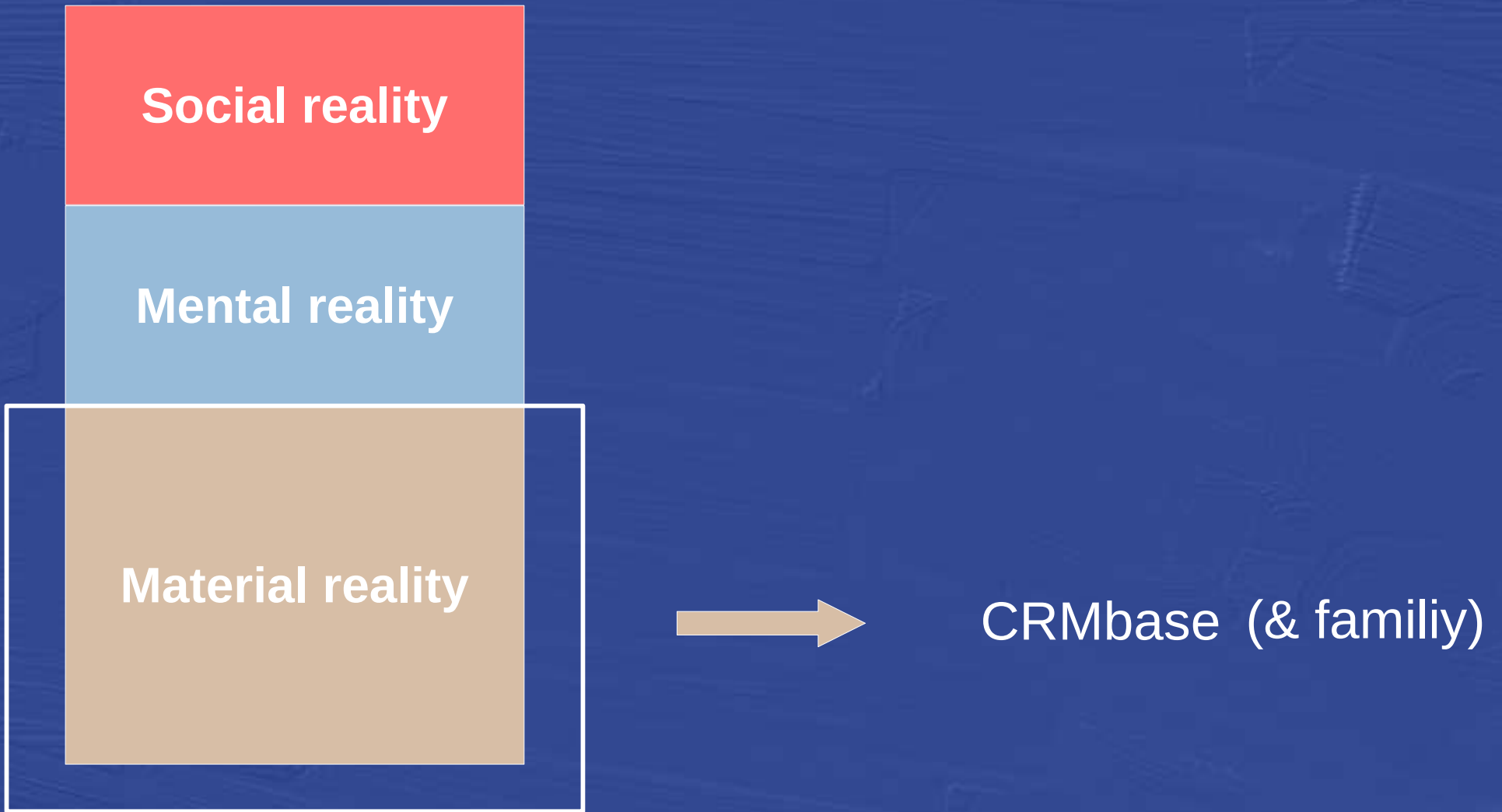


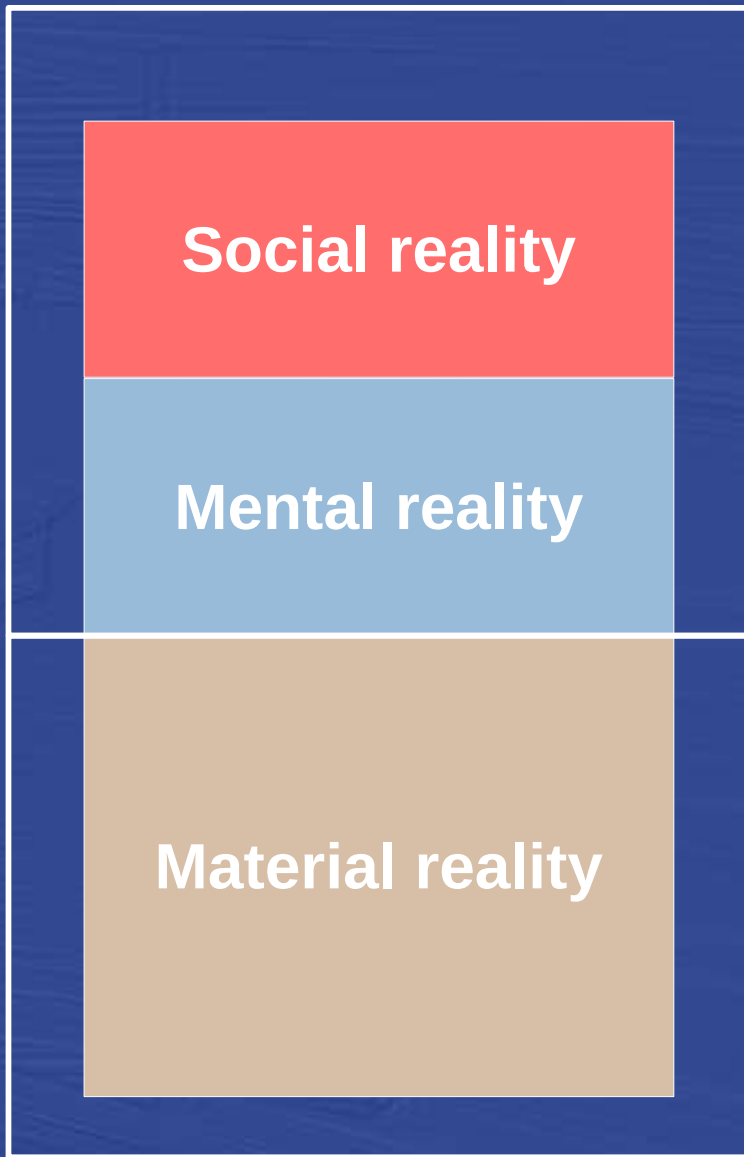








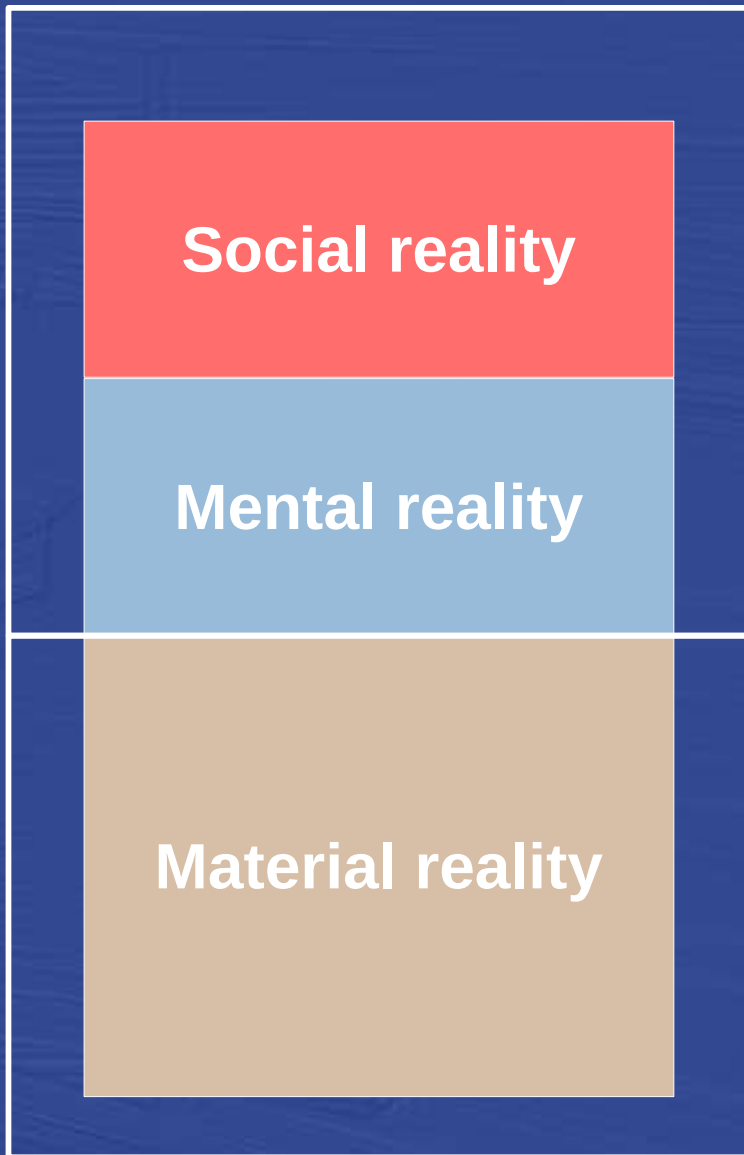




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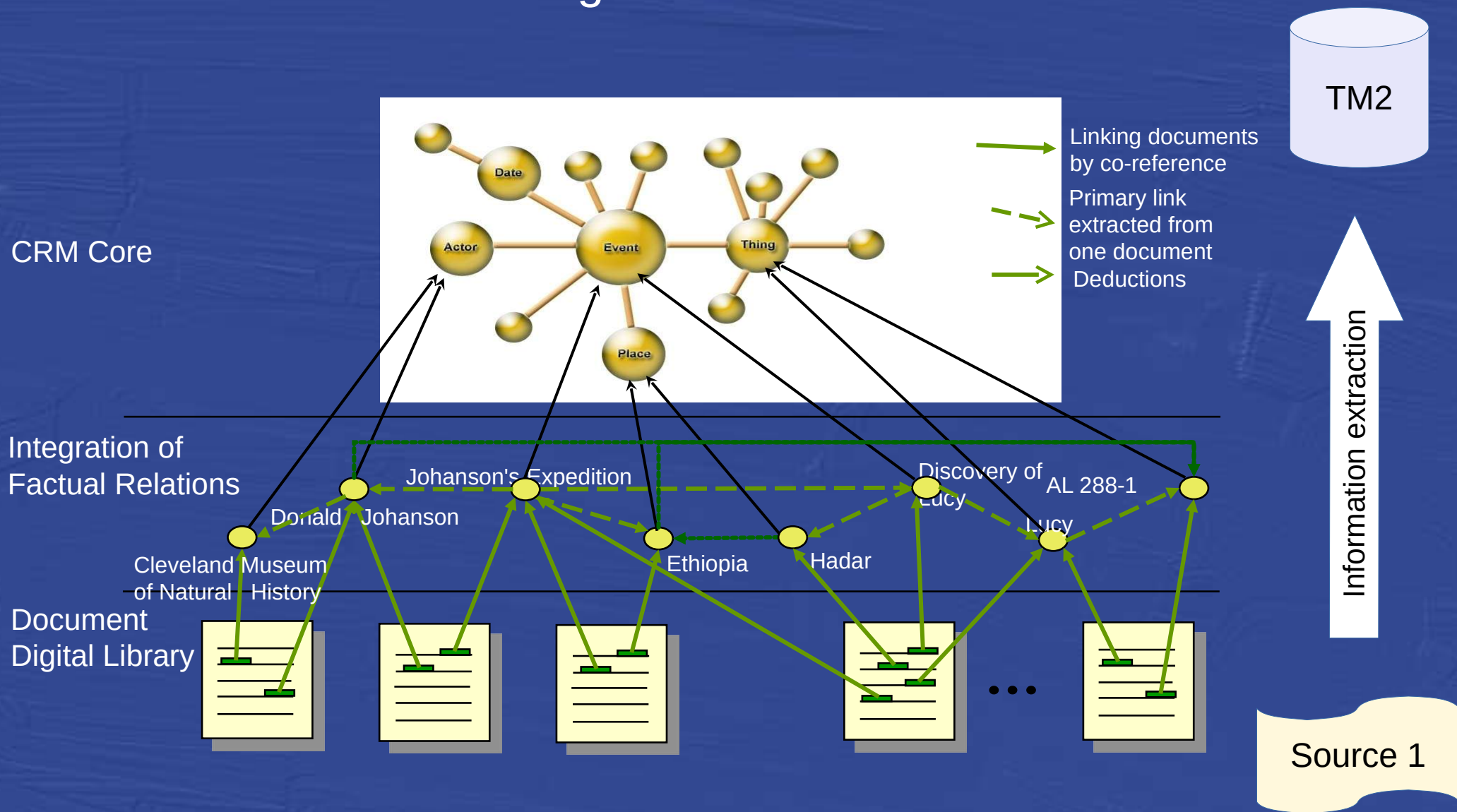


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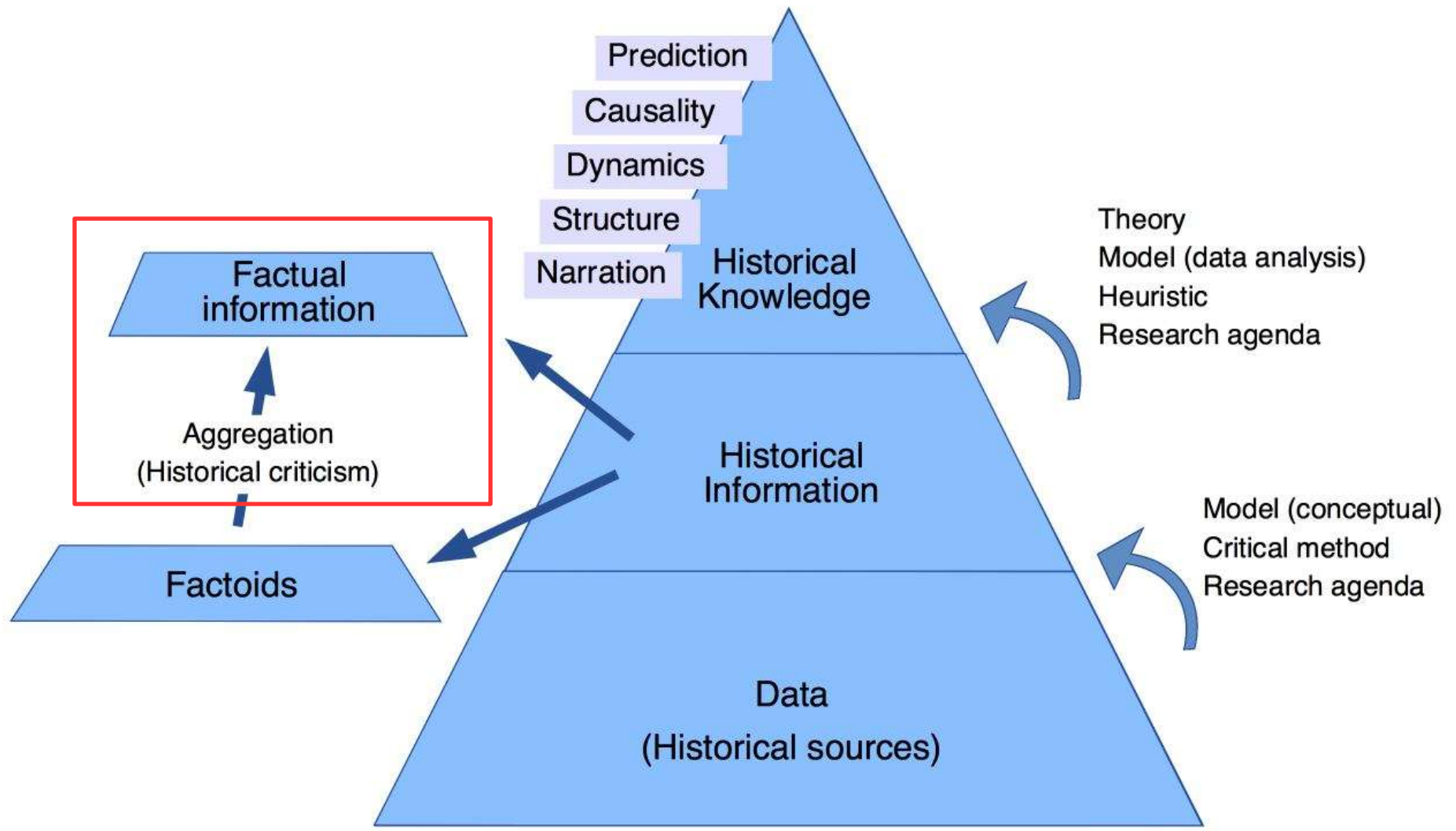
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Stephen Stead (2008). Cf. Doerr M. (2003), fig. 4, p. 81

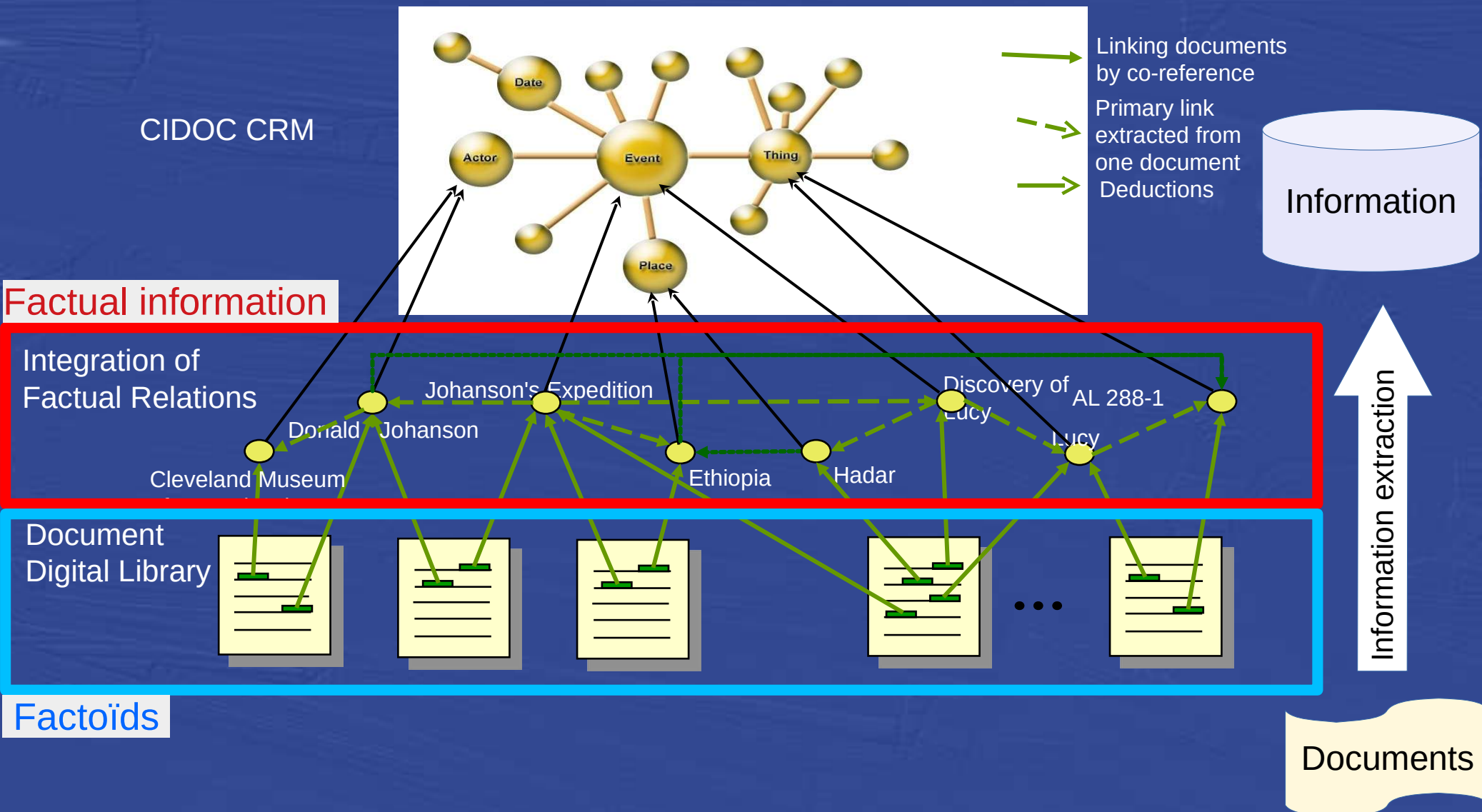


# Factual information as a representation of states of affairs in the world

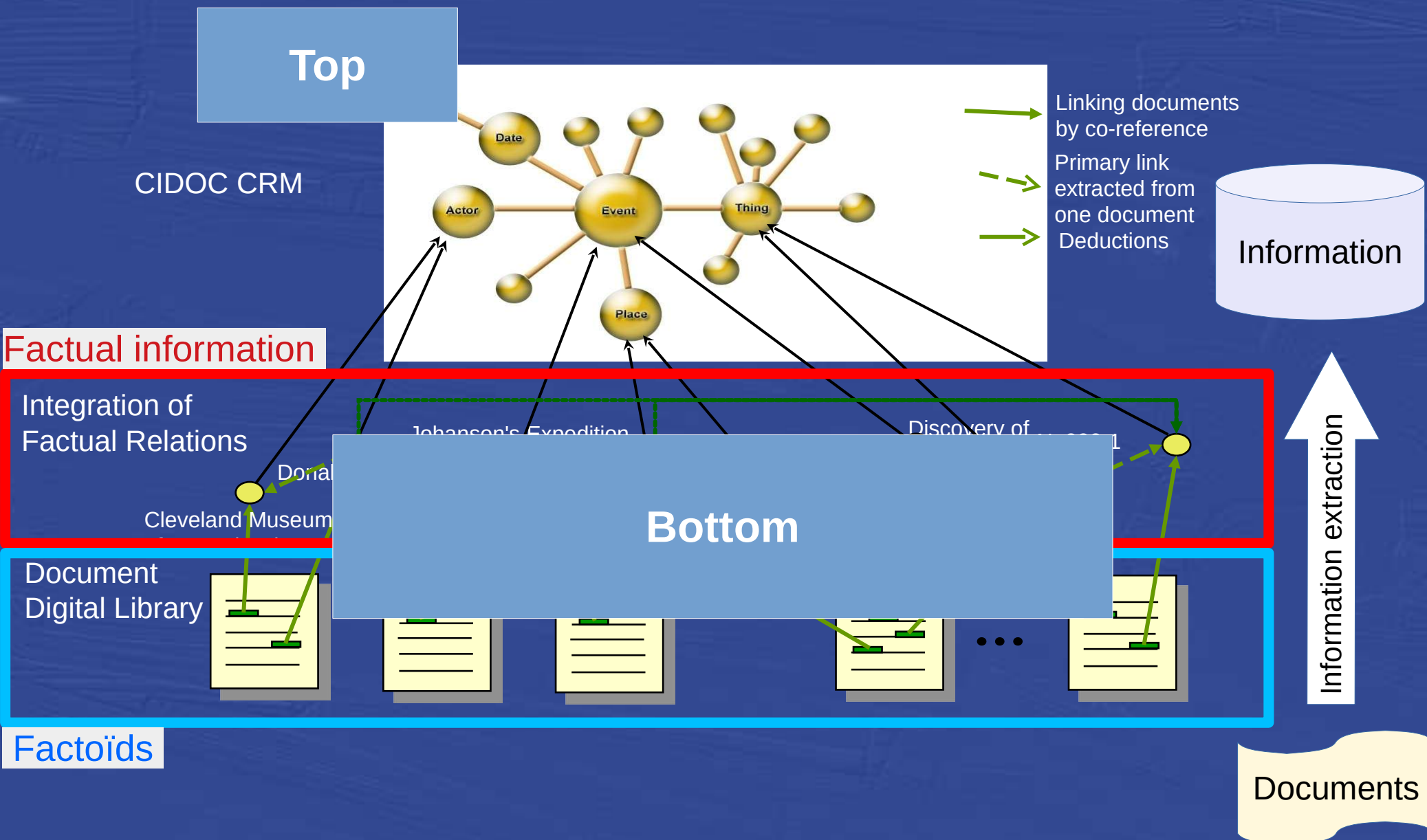


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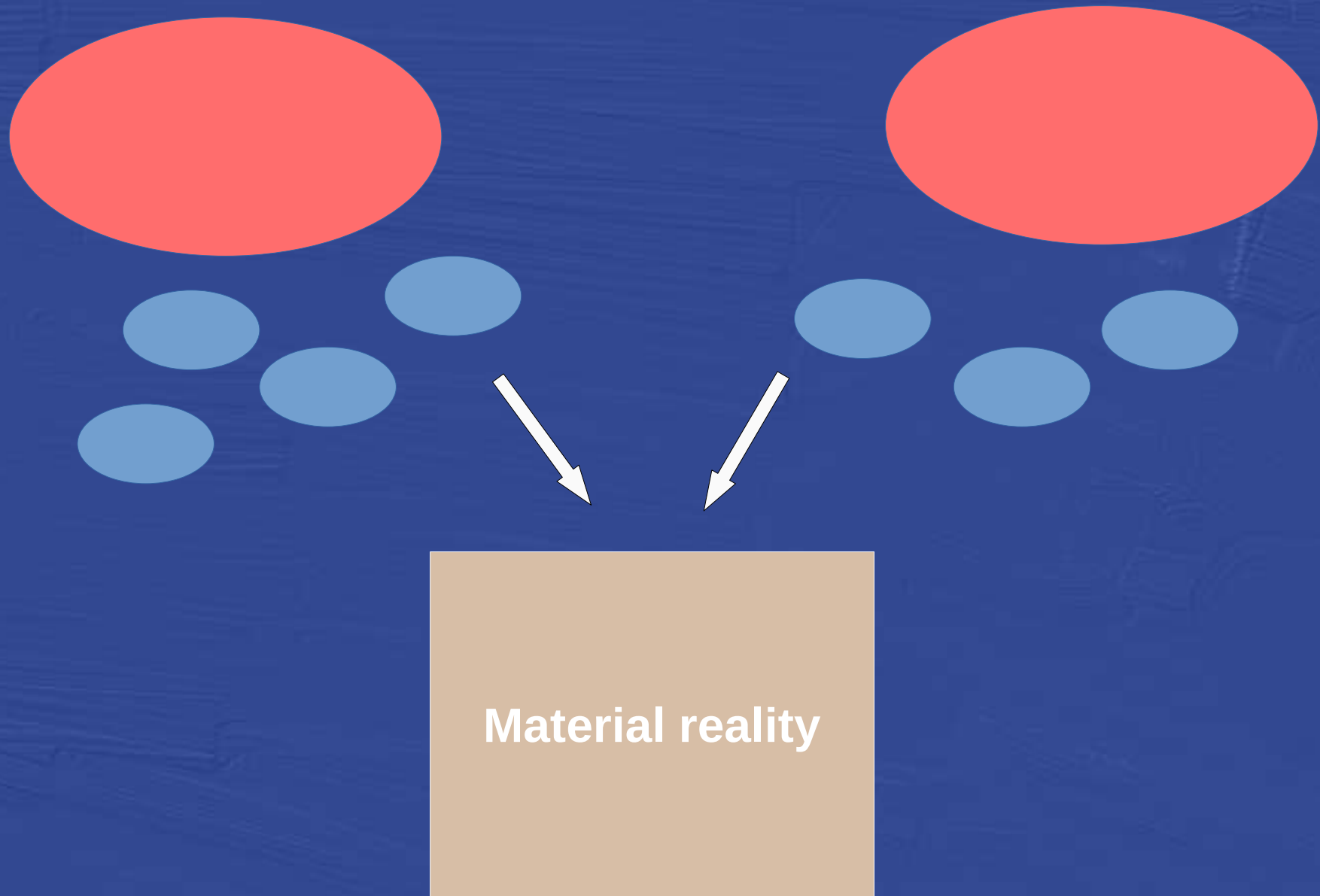
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« **Collective intentionality** is the **power of minds to be jointly directed at objects**, matters of fact, states of affairs, goals, or values. [...] Collective intentional attitudes permeate our everyday lives, for instance when two or more agents look after or raise a child, grieve the loss of a loved one, campaign for a political party, or cheer for a sports team.

They are relevant for philosophers and social scientists because they play crucial roles in the constitution of the social world.

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The observed phenomenon :  
different mental and social representations  
of the same material reality



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« Consciousness and intentionality are caused by and realized in neurobiology. Collective intentionality is a type of intentionality, and society is created by collective intentionality. ... language enables the creation and continued existence of status functions that do not require any physical existence beyond the linguistic representations themselves. »

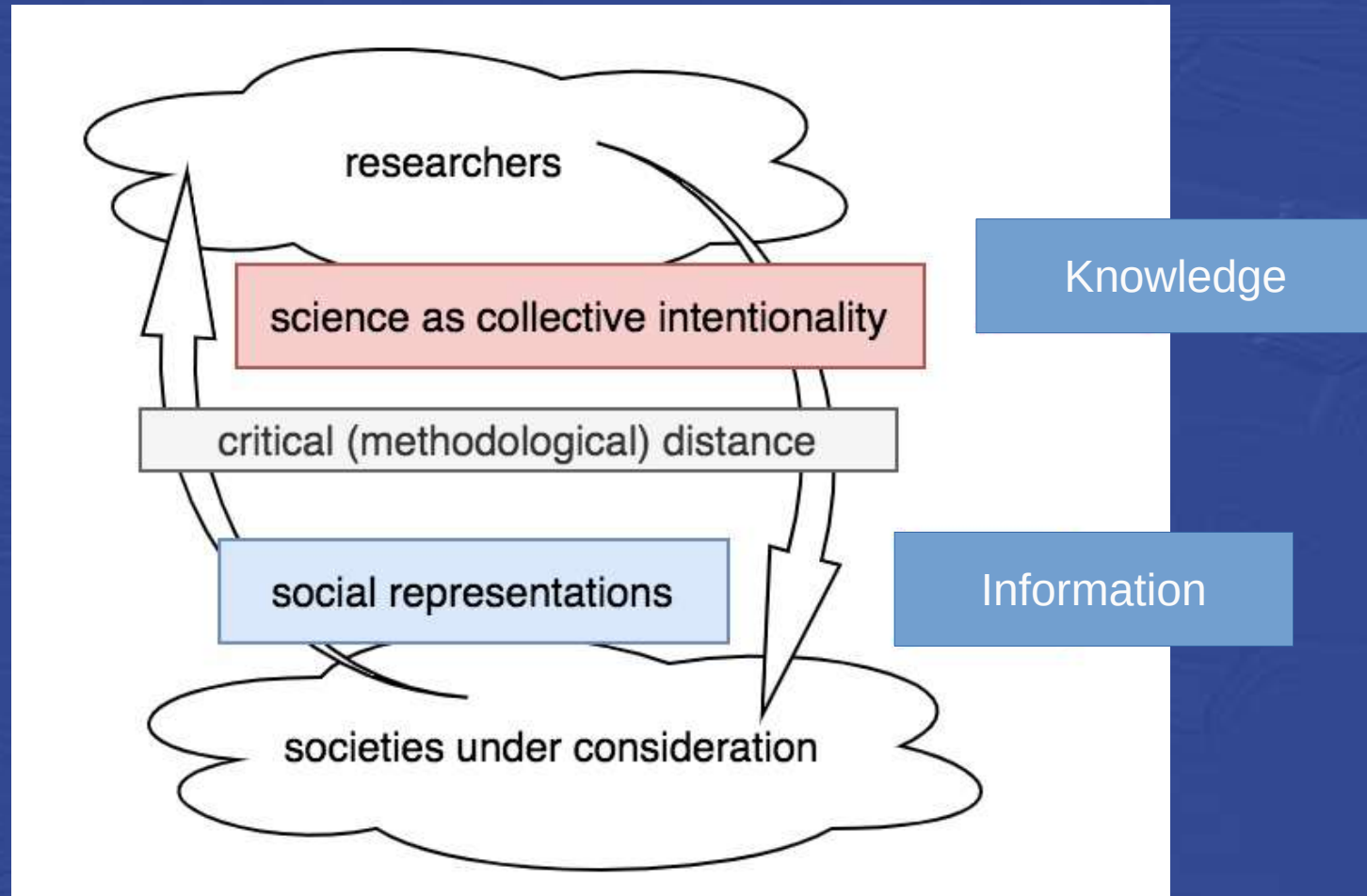
John Searle. *Making the Social World: The Structure of Human Civilization*. Oxford University Press, 2010.

Refer to standard conceptualizations of  
observable mental and social phenomena  
and align them with CRMbase

Reference literature (selection):

- \* Gallotti Mattia and Michael John (éds.), Perspectives on Social Ontology and Social Cognition, Dordrecht, Springer Netherlands, 2014.
- \* Sammut Gordon et al. (éds.), The Cambridge Handbook of Social Representations, Cambridge, University Press, 2015.
- \* The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy (Fall 2021 Edition), Edward N. Zalta (ed.) (online) (especially entries: Collective Intentionality, Mental Representation, Consciousness and Intentionality, Social Norms, etc.)
- \* Thomas T. (ed.), Encyclopedia of critical psychology (New York: Springer Reference, 2014) (especially entries: Interobjectivity; Social Constructionism; Social Representations; Socialisation).

# Whose collective intentionality is to be modelled? Scientific knowledge and social representations



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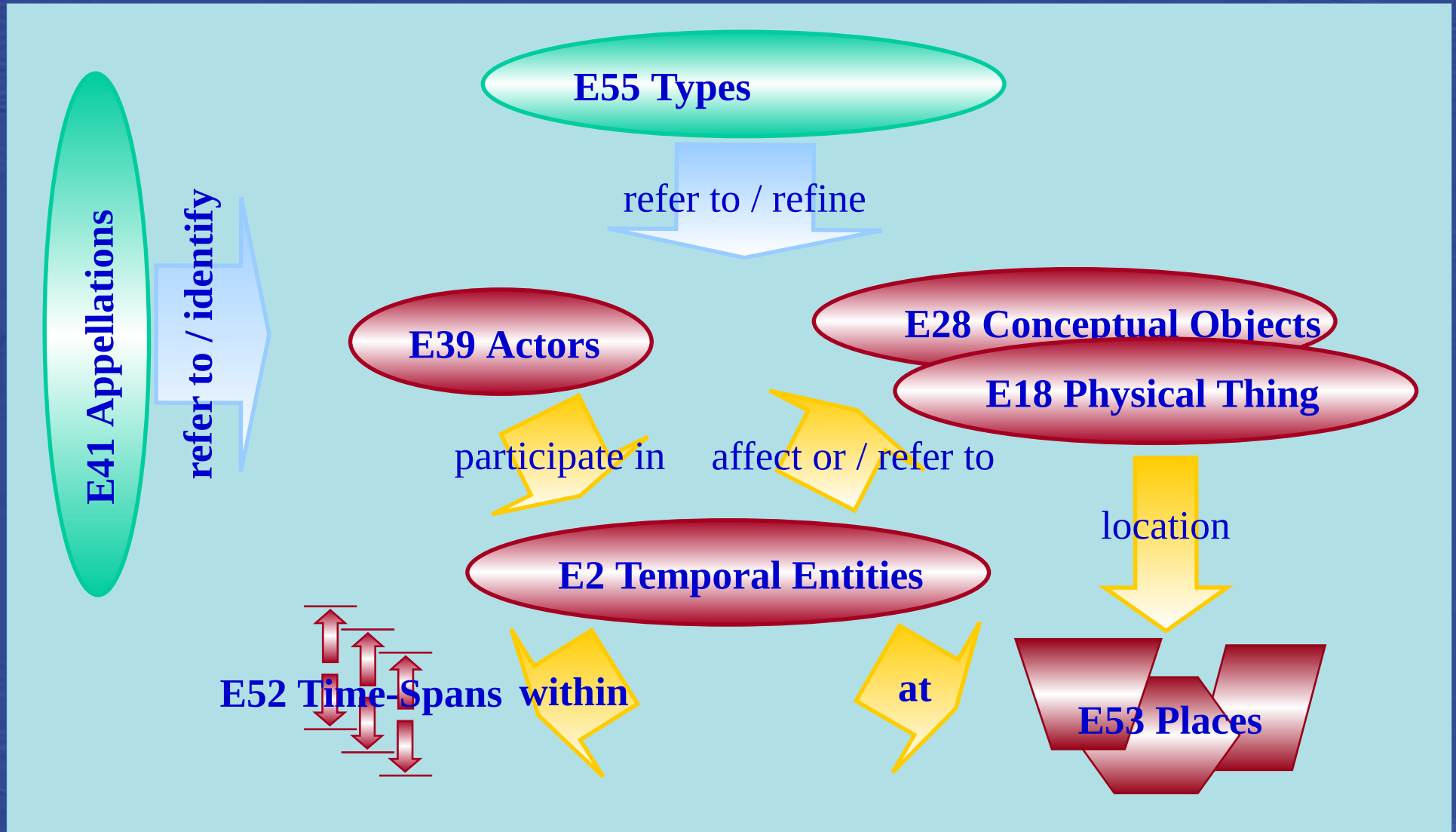
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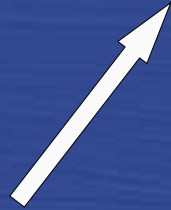
# The CIDOC CRM ( ISO21127:2006 )

A semantic framework that provides *interoperability* between different sources of cultural heritage information



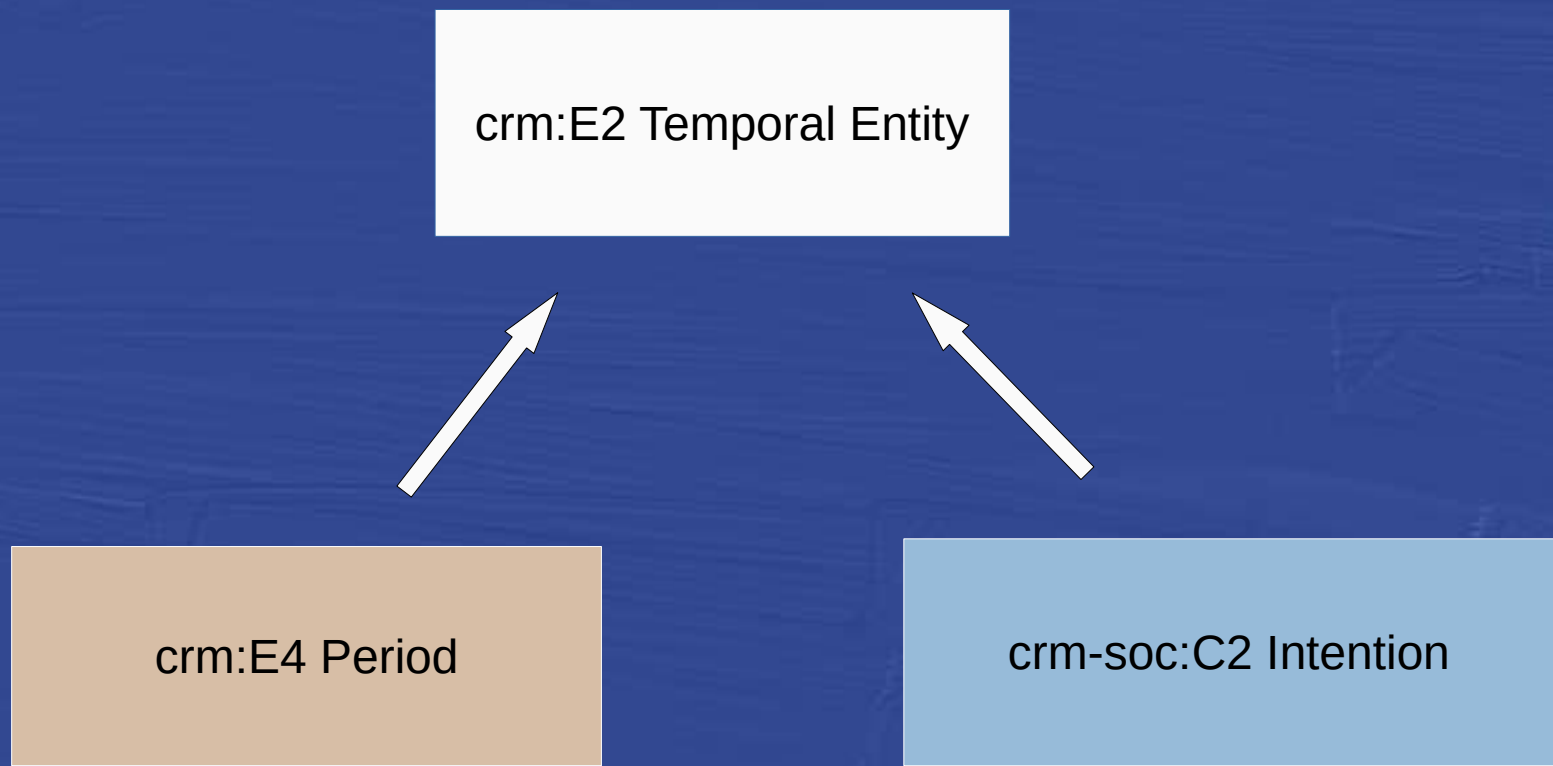
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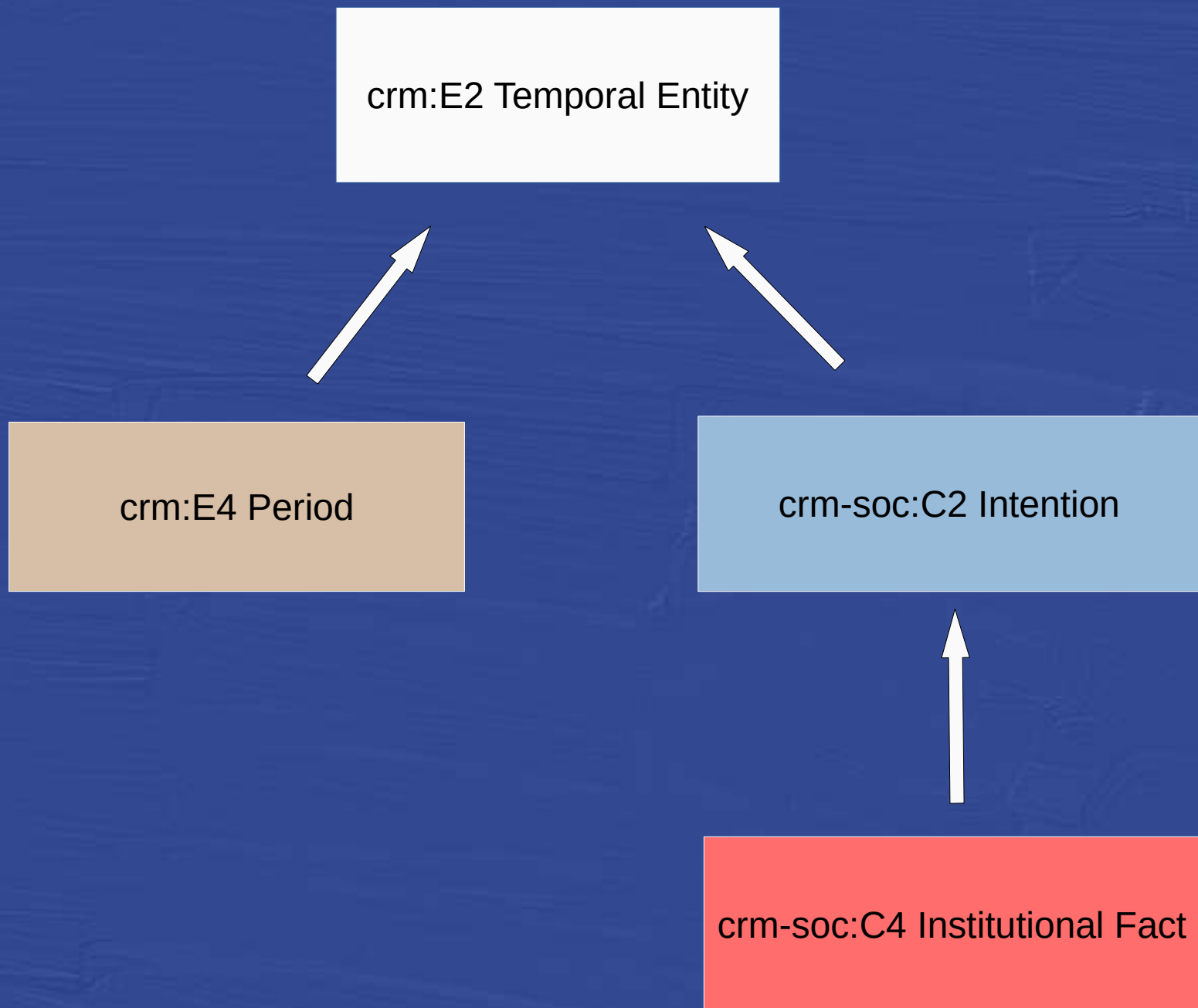
crm:E2 Temporal Entity



crm:E4 Period







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- \* Avoid taking a position on the « Central Problem »:
  - Collective intentionality is no simple summation of individual intentionality (the Irreducibility Claim);
  - Collective intentionality is had by the participating individuals, and all the intentionality an individual has is their own (the Individual Ownership Claim).(Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy)

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A foundational approach



