# Linking concepts schemes for better subject access

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### **Better how?**

- Elimination of redundant workflows
  - Two national languages
  - = maintenance of two separate thesauri
  - = subject indexing done twice
- 2. Finding new ways to re-use existing metadata Library of Congress Subject Headings (LSCH)

# Psychology for actors: theories and practices for the acting process

Book

Page, Kevin, kirjoittaja.

Routledge 2019.

Psychology for Actors is a study of modern psychology, specifically designed for the working actor and actor-in-training, that covers discrete areas of psychological theory that actors can apply to their creative process to form and connect with characters. The book investigates many

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**Other Titles** Theories and practices for the acting process

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psykologia

psykologiset teoriat psykologiset tekijät skådespelarkonst

psykologi

psykologiska teorier psykologiska faktorer

Acting.

Acting  $\rightarrow$  Psychological aspects.

**LCSH** 

**Allärs** 

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## **Starting point**

#### General Finnish Thesaurus YSA

- Developed in the 1980's mainly for book indexing
- Currently 30,000+ terms
- Monolingual but has a Swedish equivalent Allärs

# Thesaurus to ontology

- Reconstruction of YSA into machine-readable and multilingual YSO
- Trilingual terms for concepts (fin, swe, eng)
  - YSA and Allärs merged together and translated into English
  - Concepts are a compromise between Finnish and Swedish as YSA and Allärs are not completely identical
- Links to Library of Congress Subject Headings (LCSH)











YSA - General Finnish thesaurus

| suomeksi på svenska

Content language English ▼

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PREFERRED TERM	clairvoyance \$\frac{1}{2}\$			
ТҮРЕ	General concept			
BROADER CONCEPT	unexplained phenomena			
RELATED CONCEPTS	fortune-telling occultism			
BELONGS TO GROUP	50 Folklore. Cultural Anthropology. Occultism			
IN OTHER LANGUAGES	selvänäkö klärvoajans clairvoyance klarsyn	Finnish Swedish		
URI	http://www.yso.fi/onto/yso/	p10081 🔏		
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CLOSELY MATCHING CONCEPTS	Clairvoyance	Library of Congress Subject Headings		
EXACTLY MATCHING CONCEPTS	clairvoyance klärvoajans (sv)	KOKO Ontology Allärs - General thesaurus in Swedish		

selvänäkö (fi)

Suggest Terminology



### "finto Finnish Thesaurus and Ontology Service

#### YSO - General Finnish ontology

A-Z Hierarchy Groups New events and action action events periods of time phenomena biological phenomena -chemical phenomena -circumstances extreme phenomena natural phenomena -physical phenomena societal phenomena unexplained phenomena automatic writing clairvoyance levitation natural radiation (unexplained phenomena) paranormal phenomena psychokinesis water veins objects -properties

events and action > PREFERRED TERM **TYPE BROADER CONCEF** RELATED CONCEP BELONGS TO GRO IN OTHER LANGUA **URI** Download this co

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CONCEPTS

Clairvoyance

From Library of Congress Subject Headings

The Library of Congress > Linked Data Service

Visualization

Clairvoyance

#### URI(s)

Details

- http://id.loc.gov/authorities/subjects/sh85026536
- info:lc/authorities/sh85026536
- http://id.loc.gov/authorities/sh85026536#concept

#### Instance Of

- > MADS/RDF Topic
- MADS/RDF Authority
- SKOS Concept <</p>

#### Scheme Membership(s)

> Library of Congress Subject Headings

#### Collection Membership(s)

- LCSH Collection Authorized Headings
- LCSH Collection General Collection
- LCSH Collection May Subdivide Geographically

#### **Broader Terms**

Extrasensory perception

**Closely Matching Concepts from Other Schemes** 

- > Hellsehen
- ➤ Voyance < </p>



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## **English translation and mapping**

- Manual translation and mapping done simultaneously
  - both tasks include the same initial steps of specifying the scope and definition of each concept
  - consulting LCSH helped choose more functional translations by clarifying how the concepts are used and understood in an Englishspeaking context
- 30,000 concepts = two person years
  - Ideal workflow between 50 and 100 concepts per day
- 44% of all YSO concepts have LCSH equivalents
- Maintenance
  - YSO grows with 600+ concepts a year
  - Language versions and mappings kept up-to-date

#### ENGLISH VS. FINNISH





LAND - MAA

SOIL - MAA

GROUND - MAA

WORLD - MAA

COUNTRY - MAA

AREA - MAA

COUNTRYSIDE \_ MAA

DIRT - MAA

EARTH - MAA

SUIT - MAA

TERRAIN - MAA



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→ Usually not a problem

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- Finding a balance between precision and functionality
  - Saksalaisuus = Germanness → German identity

# **LCSH** mapping

Major differences between YSO and LCSH

- Hierarchical differences
- Use of precoordination and subdivisions
- Different cultural and geographical viewpoint
- Different principles and practices

Defining a sufficient level of equivalence and keeping it consistent

Necessary to accept a certain amount of fuzzyness

## **Overcoming structural differences**

Combination of three mapping properties:

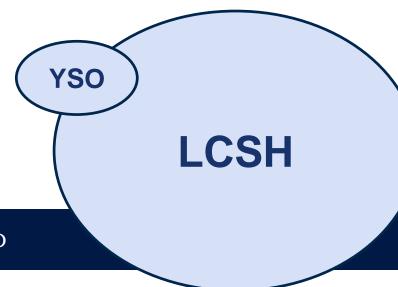
closeMatch, narrowMatch, broadMatch

YSO	SKOS	LCSH
fashion editors	closeMatch	fashion editors
dreams (aspirations) dreams (sleeping)	closeMatch closeMatch	dreams
optical properties	narrowMatch	optical properties [general subdivision]
canoes canoeing	broadMatch broadMatch	canoes and canoeing

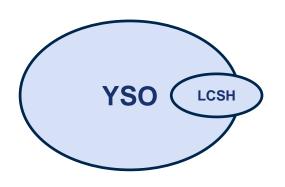
# Re-use potential

- LCSH widely used globally
  - Re-use of records with LCSH subjects by (semi)automatically converting them into YSO concepts

 Problem: Links from YSO cover only a fraction (less than 5%) of LCSH headings



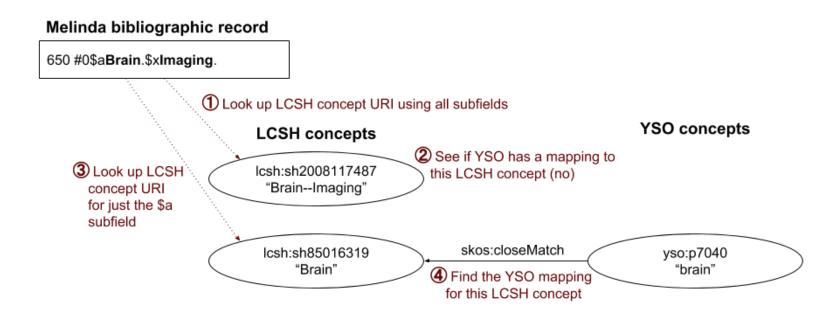
However, 69% of the 100 most used LCSH concepts in Finna.fi search service have mappings



#### **Top 5:**

LCSH	Amount	YSO	
History	101,959		history
History and criticism	33,142		-
Politics and government	19,363		politics
Philosophy	14,466		philosophy
Social aspects	13,302		-

### Random sample of records with LCSH indexing



- (5) We can conclude that the bibliographic record is about the YSO concept "brain" (yso:p7040), though the *imaging* aspect is lost since YSO doesn't have a concept for brain imaging.
- →Almost half of the LCSH indexing could be converted into YSO
- →Two thirds of records with LCSH indexing would get at least one YSO concept

### What next

- Currently mapping top 5,000+ YSO concepts with Wikidata
  - Using YSO-LCSH mappings to find potential matches
  - Manual checking
- YSO Places
  - Place names in machine-readable format
  - Already linked to Wikidata



Alphabetical Hierarchy **▲** Germany Aachen Alsace Augsburg Baden-Württemberg Barmen Bavaria Berglicht Berlin Brandenburg Bremen Chemnitz Dinkelsbühl Dresden Duisburg Düsseldorf Elberfeld Essen Frankfurt Fulda Fulda (joki) (fi) Garmisch-Partenkirchen Gdańsk Gießen Goslar Gotha Halle (Saale) Hamburg Hanover Hönningen Horath Kiel Leipzig Lieberose Lübeck Mainz Munich Norderney (fi) Nordrhein-Westfalen (fi) Nuremberg Rostock Ruhr Saarland Schleswig-Holstein Stuttgart Szczecin Thuringia Trier

#### Hamburg 🎜 PREFERRED TERM BROADER CONCEPT Germany (PARTITIVE)

Hampuri

Hamburg

Hamburg (sv)

Hampuri (fi)

Hamburg

http://www.yso.fi/onto/yso/p105255 🔏 RDF/XML TURTLE JSON-LD

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Allärs - General thesaurus in Swedish

YSA - General Finnish thesaurus

**Finnish** 

Swedish

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Germany > Hamburg

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URI

Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg

Freie und Hansestadt Hamburg

State of Germany

Coordinates: 53°33'55"N 10°00'05"E



Hamburg in Wikipedia

This article is about the German city. For other uses, see Hamburg (disambiguation). Hamburg (English: /ˈhæmbɜːrg/; German: [ˈhambugk] (4) listen); Low German: Hamborg ['hambo:c] (4) listen); officially: Free and Hanseatic City

of Hamburg; German: Freie und Hansestadt Hamburg; Low German: Friee un Hansestadt Hamborg)<sup>[5]</sup> is, with a population of 1.8 million people, the second-largest city of Germany after Berlin, the eighth-largest city in the European Union, as well as the union's largest city which is not one of its member states' capital cities. It is one of Germany's 16 federal states, surrounded by the states of Schleswig-Holstein to the north, and Lower Saxony to the south, and is the largest city of Northern Germany.

The city's metropolitan region is home to more than five million people.

Alster, which forms two large lakes within the city, and the River Bille. It

is the third-largest German-speaking city after Berlin and Vienna, and

Hamburg lies on the River Elbe and two of its tributaries, the River

the largest city in the Low German dialect area. The official name reflects Hamburg's history as a member of the medieval Hanseatic League, a free imperial city of the Holy Roman

Empire, a city-state and one of the 16 states of Germany. Before the 1871 Unification of Germany it was a fully sovereign state. Prior to the

# Thank you! Questions?

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#### Further reading:

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