

Web Services Architecture

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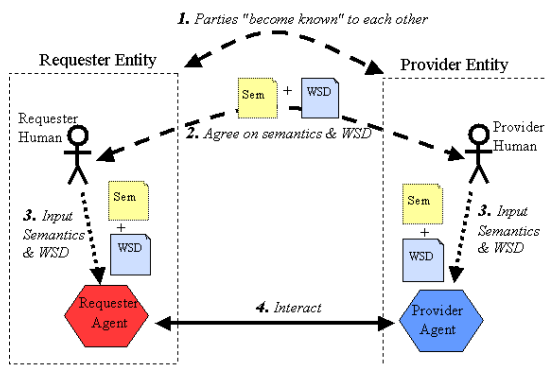
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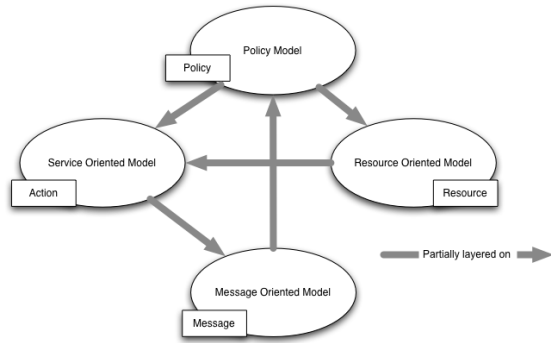
1 Web Services Architecture

- A W3C document.
- Working towards a standard.
- Summarizes prevailing thought on Web Services
 - What are the important parts?
 - How to build them?
 - How to fit parts together.
- It provides a model (set of models) that describes how to build a web service architecture.

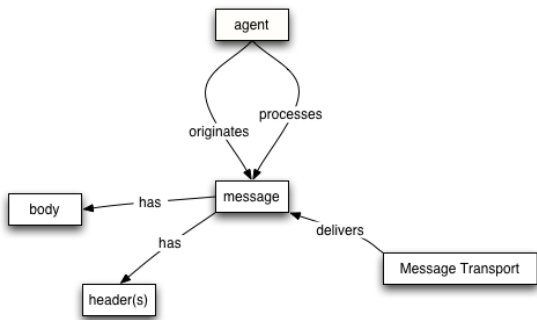
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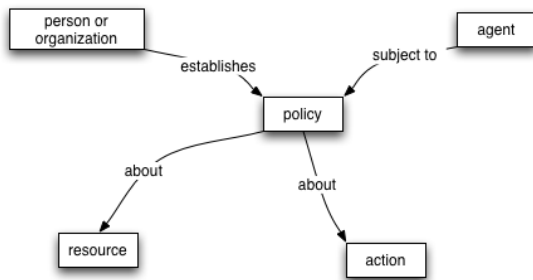
2 MetaModel



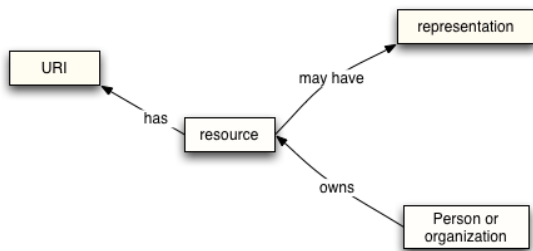
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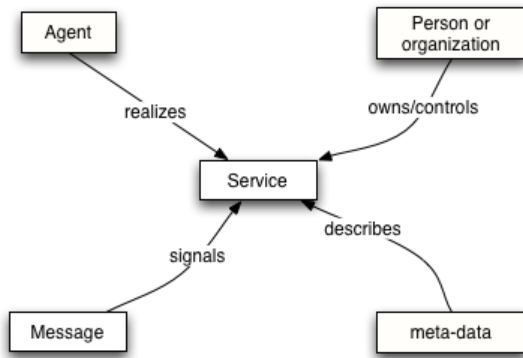
- Message model.



- Policy model.

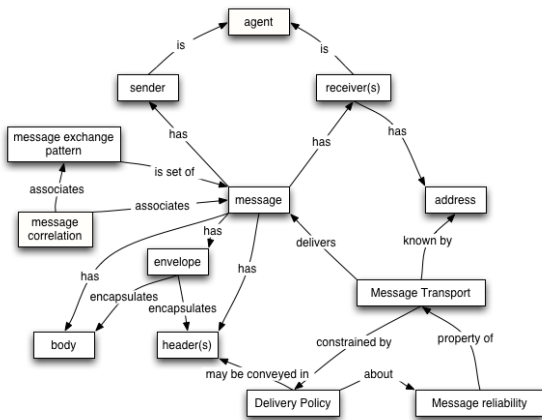


- Resource model.



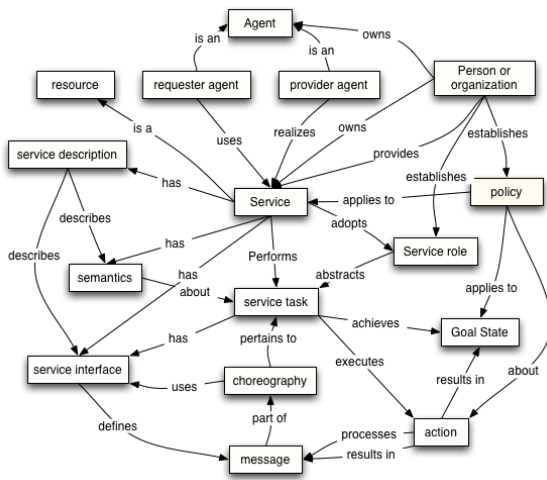
- Service model.

3 Message Oriented Model



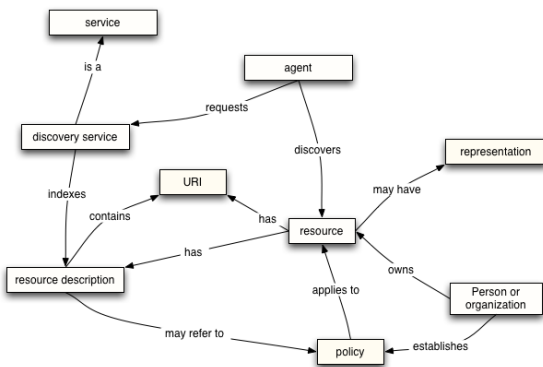
- **Message Exchange Pattern** is a template that describes a generic patter for the exchange of message, akin to a FIPA IP.
- **Message Correlation** associates a message with a context.
- **Message Header** contains information that might have seperate semantics from the message body.
- **Message Reliability** is likelihood that both sender and receiver will have the same understanding of the delivery status.

4 Service Oriented Model



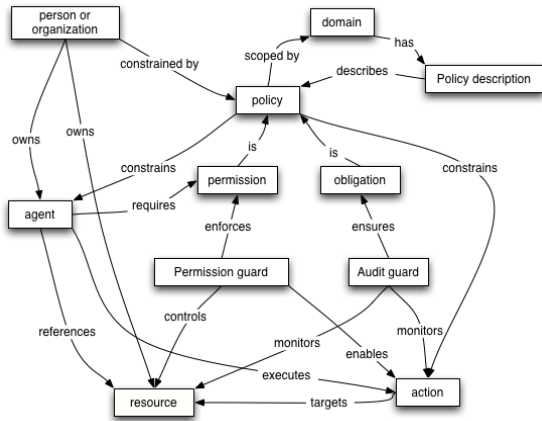
- **Choreography** defines the sequence and conditions under which multiple cooperating independent agents exchange messages in order to perform a task to achieve a goal state.
- **Service** represents a capability of performing tasks that represents a coherent functionality.
- A **service role** is an intermediate abstraction between service and task. A given message that is received by a service may involve processing associated with several service roles.
- A **service task** is an abstraction that encapsulates some intended effect of invoking a service.

5 Resource Oriented Model



- **Discovery** is the act of locating a machine-processable description of a Web service-related resource
- A **discovery service** is used to publish and search for descriptions meeting certain functional or semantic criteria.
- **Representations** are data objects that reflect the state of a resource.
- A **resource description** is a machine-processable description of a resource. Resource descriptions are used by and within discovery services to permit agents to discover the resource.

6 Policy Model



- An **audit guard** is a mechanism used on behalf of an owner that monitors actions and agents to verify the satisfaction of obligations.
- A **domain** defines the scope of applicability of policies.
- A **policy** is a constraint on the behavior of agents as they perform actions or access resources. There are two kinds:
 - When an agent has an **obligation** to perform some action, then it is required to do so.
 - When an agent has **permission** to perform some action then it is expected that any attempt to perform the action will be successful.

Notes

¹<http://www.w3.org/TR/ws-arch/>

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