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NGSI-LD Context Broker Workshop

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- JSON is in data exchange format. However, it is not so easy for machines to read. The attributes of a JSON can have different meanings even among humans themselves.
- For example, consider a JSON that has “*name*” as an attribute. For a person that attribute could mean the person's native name. For another, it could mean the person's stage name. For yet another the username of the person.
- What has been done is to define a JSON extension in which I **annotate** a piece of JSON with **additional information**.
- Instead of having the *name* attribute **without context (JSON)** I make that attribute a URI rather than a simple key-value pair. In this way, via the URI, I publicise the fact that that name attribute actually represents the person's real name: **easier for people and machines to understand it.**

JSON-LD Example

Person

A Schema.org Type

Thing > Person

[more...]

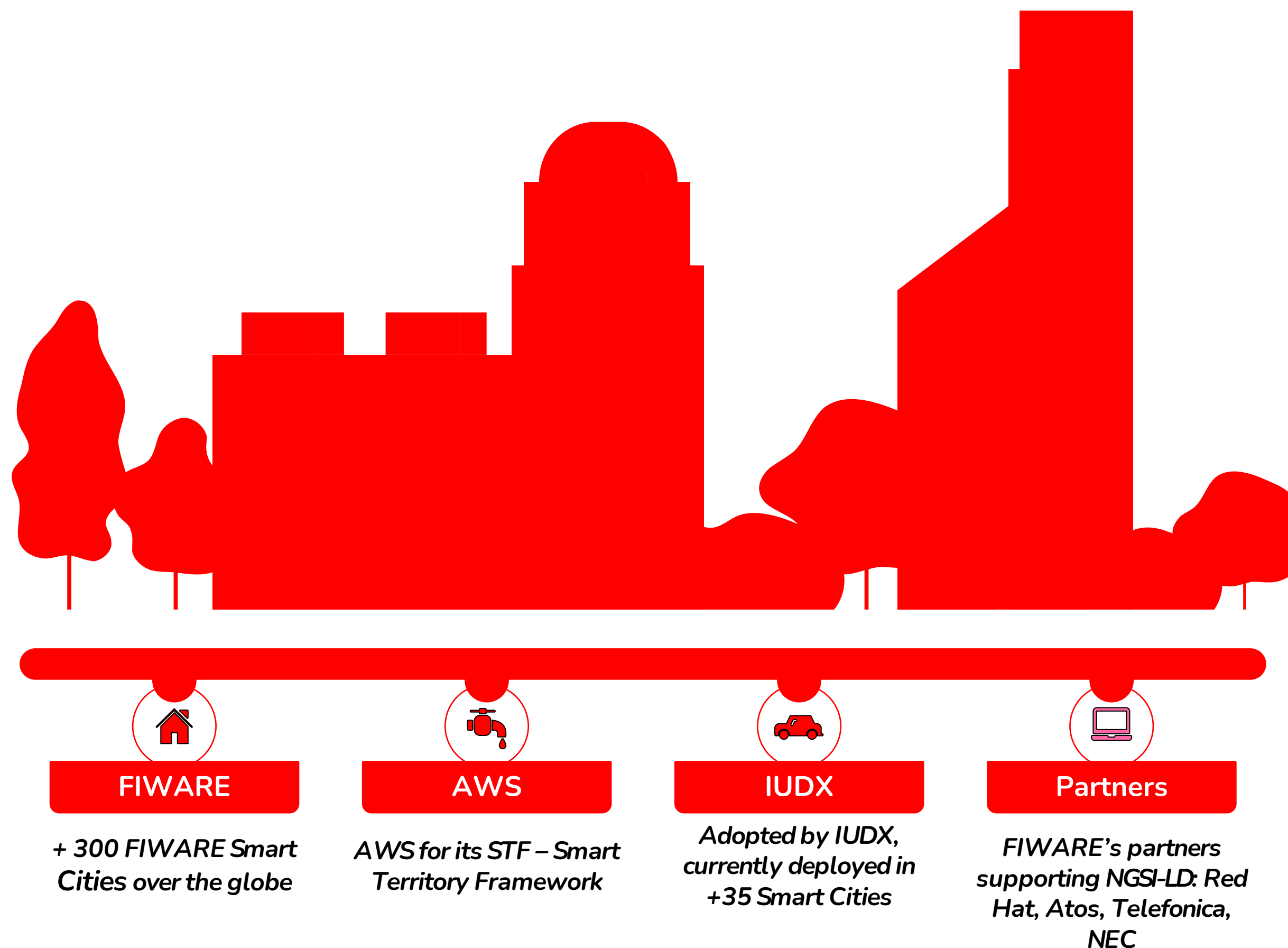
A person (alive, dead, undead, or fictional).

| Property | Expected Type | Description |
|----------------------------------|---|---|
| Properties from Person | | |
| additionalName | Text | An additional name for a Person, can be used for a middle name. |
| address | PostalAddress or Text | Physical address of the item. |
| affiliation | Organization | An organization that this person is affiliated with. For example, a school/university, a club, or a team. |
| agentInteractionStatistic | InteractionCounter | The number of completed interactions for this entity, in a particular role (the 'agent'), in a particular action (indicated in the statistic), and in a particular context (i.e. interactionService). |
| alumniOf | EducationalOrganization or Organization | An organization that the person is an alumni of. Inverse property: alumni |
| award | Text | An award won by or for this item. Supersedes awards . |
| birthDate | Date | Date of birth. |
| birthPlace | Place | The place where the person was born. |
| brand | Brand or Organization | The brand(s) associated with a product or service, or the brand(s) maintained by an organization or business person. |
| callSign | Text | A callsign , as used in broadcasting and radio communications to identify people, radio and TV stations, or vehicles. |
| children | Person | A child of the person. |
| colleague | Person or URL | A colleague of the person. Supersedes colleagues . |
| contactPoint | ContactPoint | A contact point for a person or organization. Supersedes contactPoints . |
| deathDate | Date | Date of death. |
| deathPlace | Place | The place where the person died. |
| duns | Text | The Dun & Bradstreet DUNS number for identifying an organization or business person. |
| email | Text | Email address. |

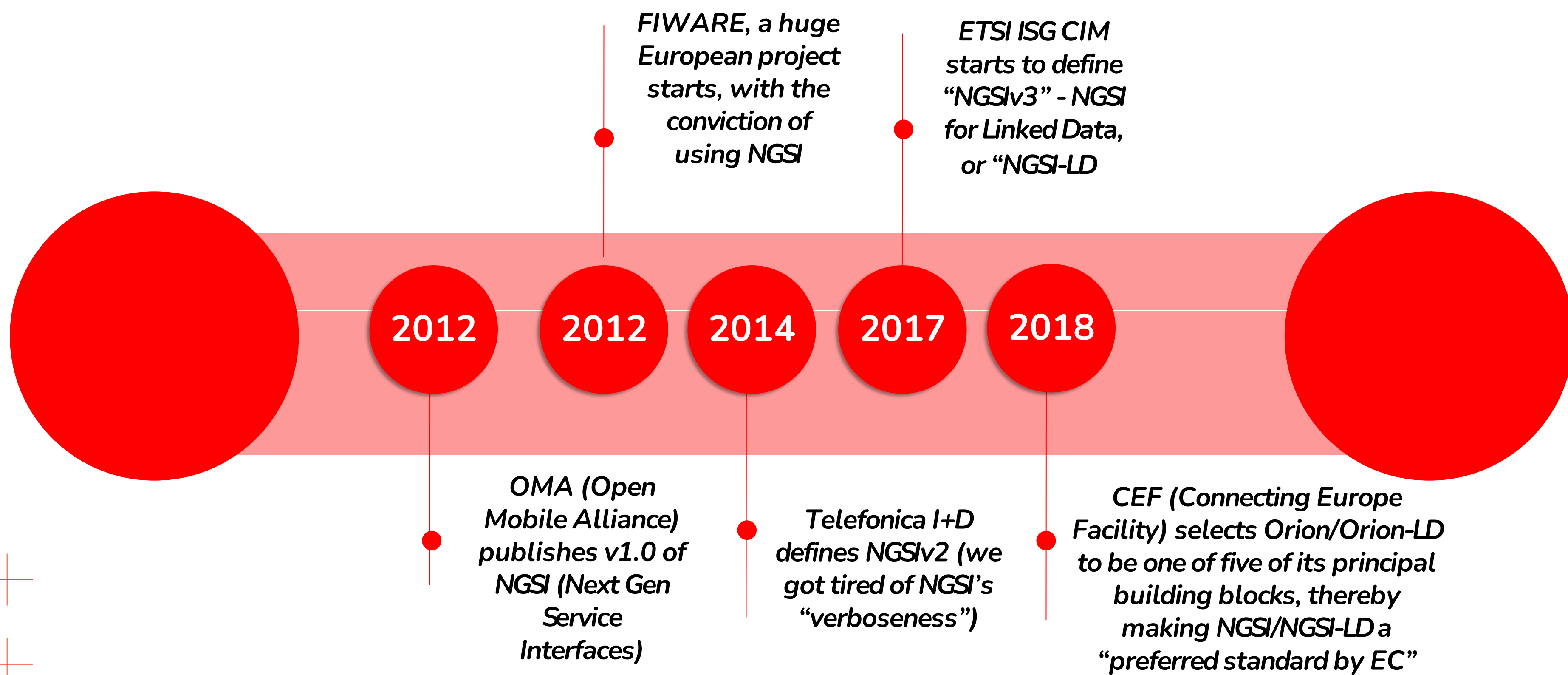
```
{
  "@context": {
    "name": "http://schema.org/name",
    "description": "http://schema.org/description",
    "author": "http://schema.org/author",
    "datePublished": {
      "@id": "http://schema.org/datePublished",
      "@type": "http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#date"
    }
  },
  "@type": "http://schema.org/Book",
  "name": "Example Book",
  "description": "An example book written by John Doe",
  "author": {
    "@type": "http://schema.org/Person",
    "name": "John Doe"
  },
  "datePublished": "2022-01-01"
}
```

NSGI-LD

Next Generation Service Interface-Linked Data (NGSI-LD) is an open standard for context information management developed to facilitate the exchange of information between applications in the context of the Internet of Things (IoT).



NGSI History



NGSIv2 to NGSI-LD

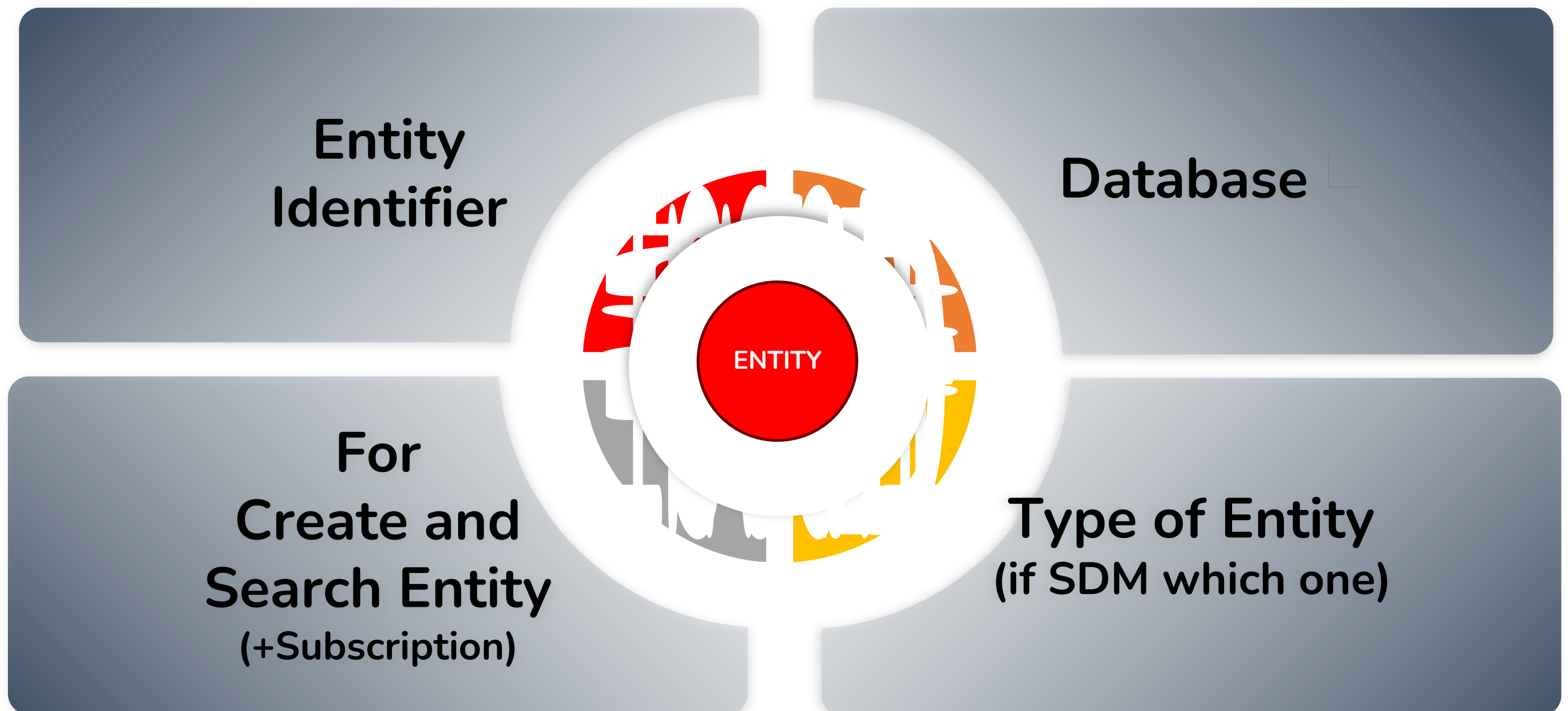
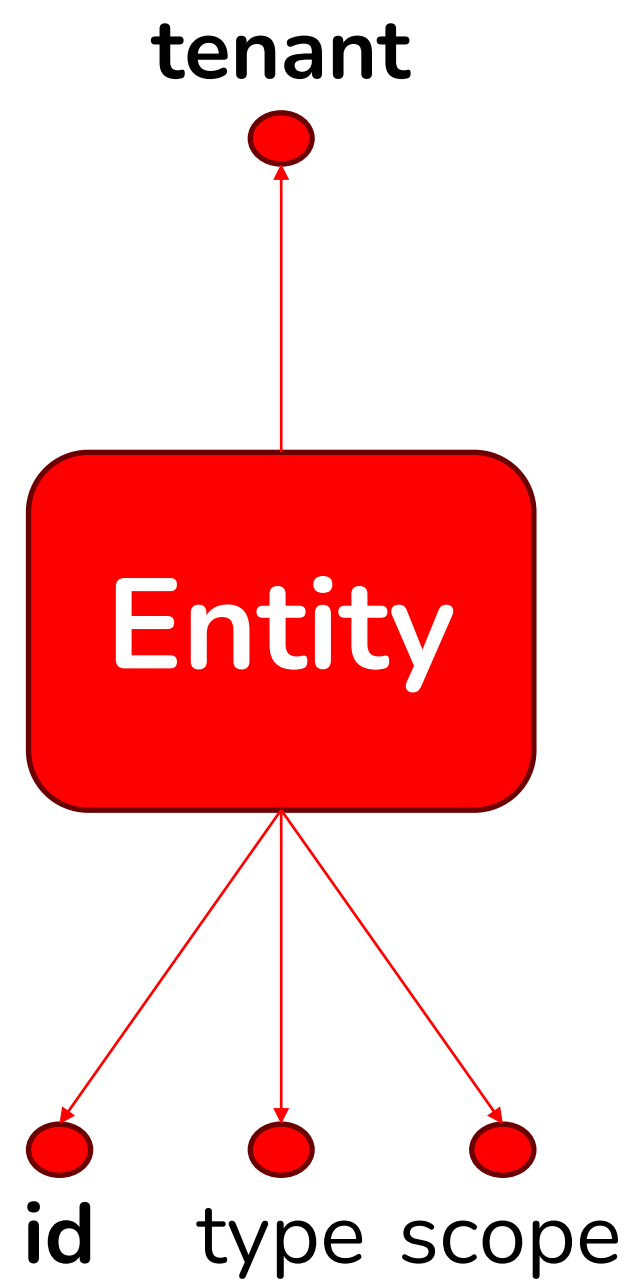
NGSI-LD is the **evolution** of the NGSIv2 information model, which has been updated and improved to support entity relationships, property graphs and semantics (JSON-LD):

- The “*id*” now must be an **URN** (or an URI HTTP)
- The entity must have a “*type*” attribute which represent the **class** of the entity
- The class must then be defined in the **@context**
- @context implicitly includes the **core @context** of NGSI-LD:
<https://uri.etsi.org/ngsi-ld/v1/ngsi-ld-core-context-v1.7.jsonld>

```
{
  "@context": {
    "ngsi-ld": "https://uri.etsi.org/ngsi-ld/",
    "geojson": "https://purl.org/geojson/vocab#",
    "id": "@id",
    "type": "@type",
    "Attribute": "ngsi-ld:Attribute",
    "AttributeList": "ngsi-ld:AttributeList",
    "ContextSourceNotification": "ngsi-ld:ContextSourceNotification",
    "ContextSourceRegistration": "ngsi-ld:ContextSourceRegistration",
    "Date": "ngsi-ld:Date",
    "DateTime": "ngsi-ld:DateTime",
    "EntityType": "ngsi-ld:EntityType",
    "EntityTypeInfo": "ngsi-ld:EntityTypeInfo",
    "EntityTypeList": "ngsi-ld:EntityTypeList",
    "Feature": "geojson:Feature",
    "FeatureCollection": "geojson:FeatureCollection",
    "GeoProperty": "ngsi-ld:GeoProperty",
    "GeometryCollection": "geojson:GeometryCollection",
    "LineString": "geojson:LineString",
    "LanguageProperty": "ngsi-ld:LanguageProperty",
    "MultiLineString": "geojson:MultiLineString",
    "MultiPoint": "geojson:MultiPoint",
    "MultiPolygon": "geojson:MultiPolygon",
    "Notification": "ngsi-ld:Notification",
    "Point": "geojson:Point",
    "Polygon": "geojson:Polygon",
    "Property": "ngsi-ld:Property",
    "Relationship": "ngsi-ld:Relationship",
    "Subscription": "ngsi-ld:Subscription",
    "TemporalProperty": "ngsi-ld:TemporalProperty",
    "Time": "ngsi-ld:Time",
    "VocabularyProperty": "ngsi-ld:VocabularyProperty",
    "accept": "ngsi-ld:accept",
    "attributeCount": "ngsi-ld:attributeCount",
    "attributeDetails": "ngsi-ld:attributeDetails",
    "attributeList": {
      "@id": "ngsi-ld:attributeList",
      "@type": "@vocab"
    },
    "attributeName": {
      "@id": "ngsi-ld:attributeName",
      "@type": "@vocab"
    }
  },
}
```

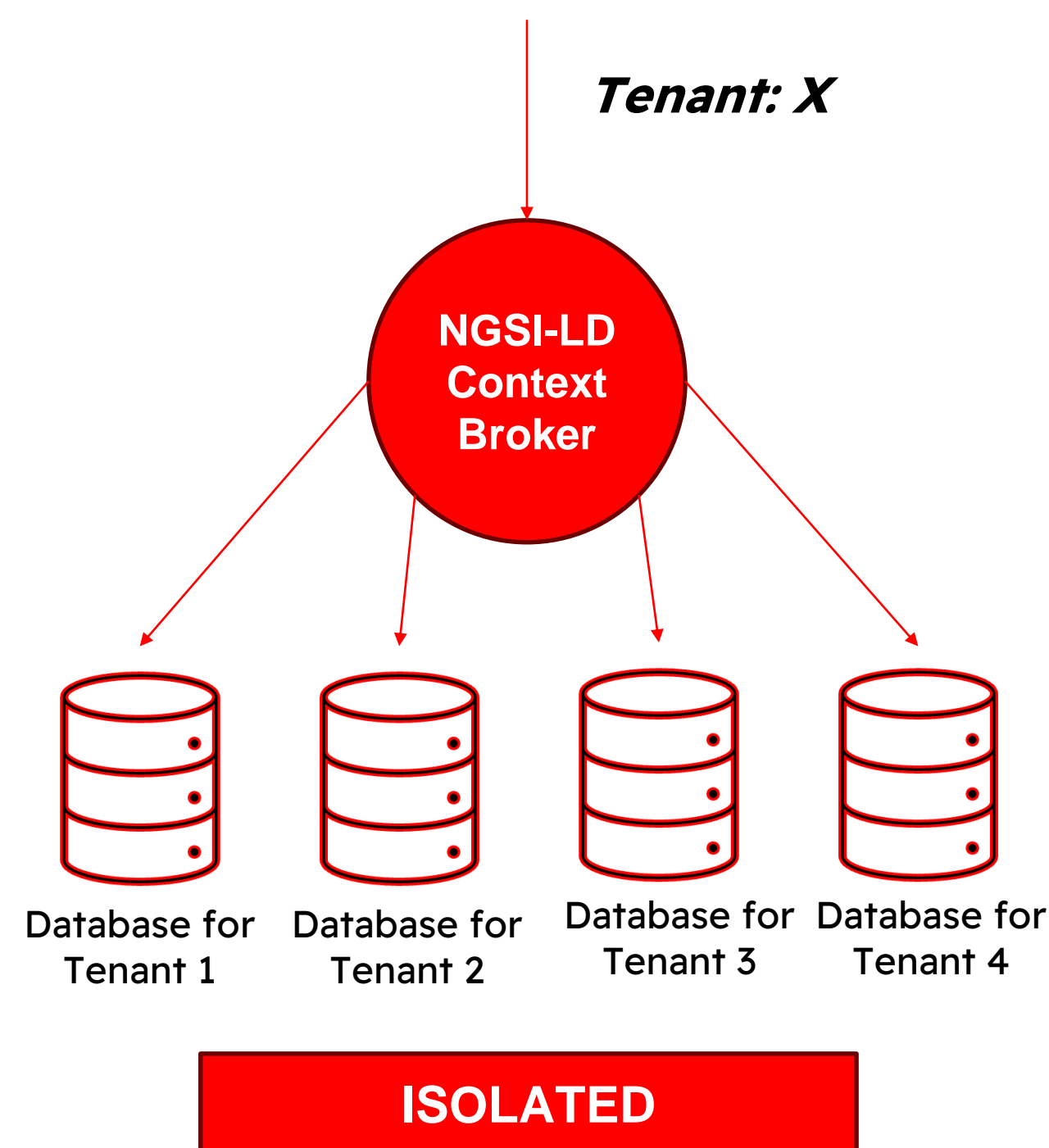
```
,
  "timeInterval": "ngsi-ld:timeInterval",
  "timeout": "ngsi-ld:timeout",
  "timeproperty": "ngsi-ld:timeproperty",
  "timereel": "ngsi-ld:timereel",
  "timesFailed": "ngsi-ld:timesFailed",
  "timesSent": "ngsi-ld:timesSent",
  "title": "http://purl.org/dc/terms/title",
  "totalCount": {
    "@id": "ngsi-ld:totalCount",
    "@container": "@list"
  },
  "triggerReason": "ngsi-ld:triggerReason",
  "typeList": {
    "@id": "ngsi-ld:typeList",
    "@type": "@vocab"
  },
  "typeName": {
    "@id": "ngsi-ld:typeName",
    "@type": "@vocab"
  },
  "typeNames": {
    "@id": "ngsi-ld:typeNames",
    "@type": "@vocab"
  },
  "unchanged": "ngsi-ld:unchanged",
  "unitCode": "ngsi-ld:unitCode",
  "updated": "ngsi-ld:updated",
  "uri": "ngsi-ld:uri",
  "value": "ngsi-ld:hasValue",
  "values": {
    "@id": "ngsi-ld:hasValues",
    "@container": "@list"
  },
  "vocab": {
    "@id": "ngsi-ld:hasVocab",
    "@type": "@vocab"
  },
  "vocabs": {
    "@id": "ngsi-ld:hasVocabs",
    "@container": "@list"
  },
  "watchedAttributes": {
    "@id": "ngsi-ld:watchedAttributes",
    "@type": "@vocab"
  },
},
"@vocab": "https://uri.etsi.org/ngsi-ld/default-context/"
```


NGSI-LD Entity



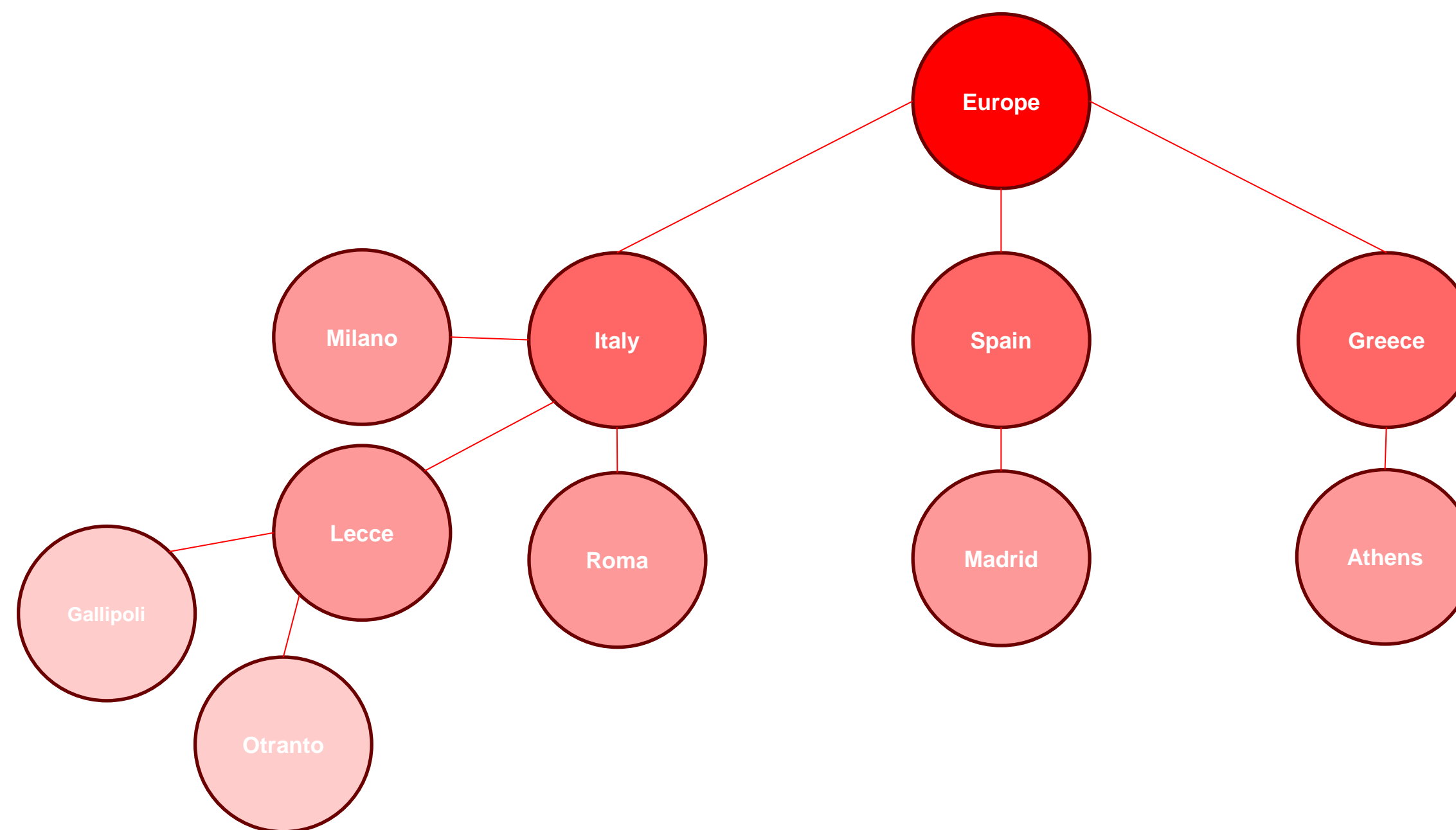
NGSI-LD – Tenant

In NGSI-LD, a 'tenant' refers to a separate instance within a system or platform using this standard. The idea is to **isolate information and resources between different organisations or users within the same system**. Using tenants, a **single broker can serve more than one “system” at a time**, each system with its own database, its own “tenant”. The header “*NGSILD-Tenant: <tenant>*” is used to choose the tenant.



NGSI-LD - Scope

In NGSI-LD, the “NGSI-LD-Scope” is used when creating and searching for entities. An entity can have more than one scope, and searches support a list of scopes, as well as wildcards (e.g. /Europe/Italy/Lecce/#).



NGSI-LD – Entity Type

NGSI-LD utilizes the type attribute to specifically identify an entity's type. This serves as a representation of the entity's **class or category**. Each individual entity can possess one or multiple types, which assist in defining its unique **characteristics** and properties.

The type attribute plays a crucial role in data semantics. It provides valuable insights about an entity's characteristics and behaviour by defining its specific type. For instance, the type "Car" suggests that the entity will possess attributes like "speed", "location" and "fuelLevel".

NGSI-LD – Entity Id

The identifier of an entity in NGSI-LD must be a URI (**Uniform Resource Identifier**). URIs are strings that uniquely identify a resource on the Internet. In the context of NGSI-LD, the entity id represents a specific entity in the context of the Internet of Things (IoT). Infact, the entity id must be unique within the context in which it is used. For example, it could have the following structure:

urn:ngsi-ld:<entity_type>:<entity_id>
(URIs may be represented in different formats, such as HTTP URL, URN, or any other scheme supported by URIs)

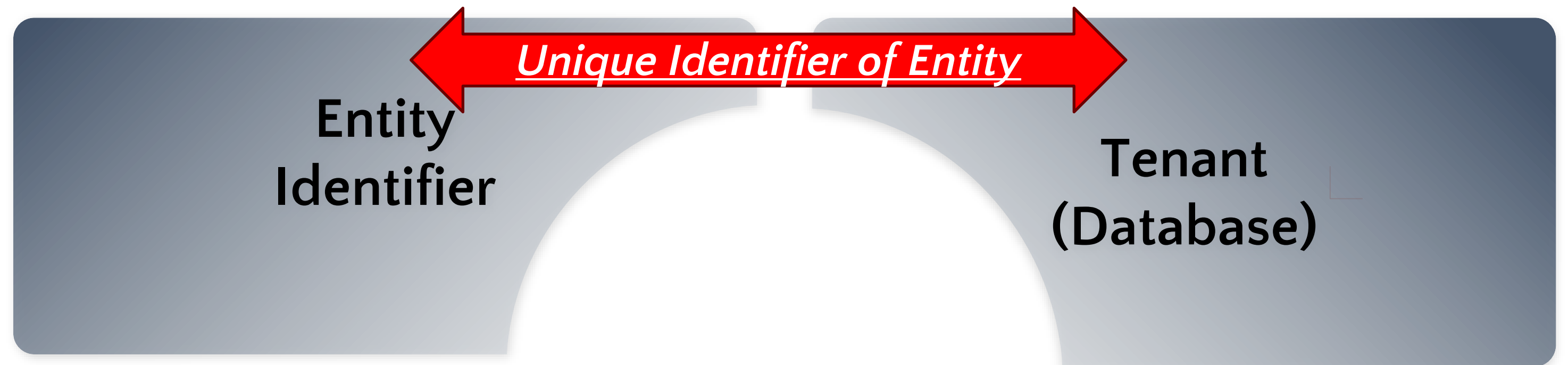
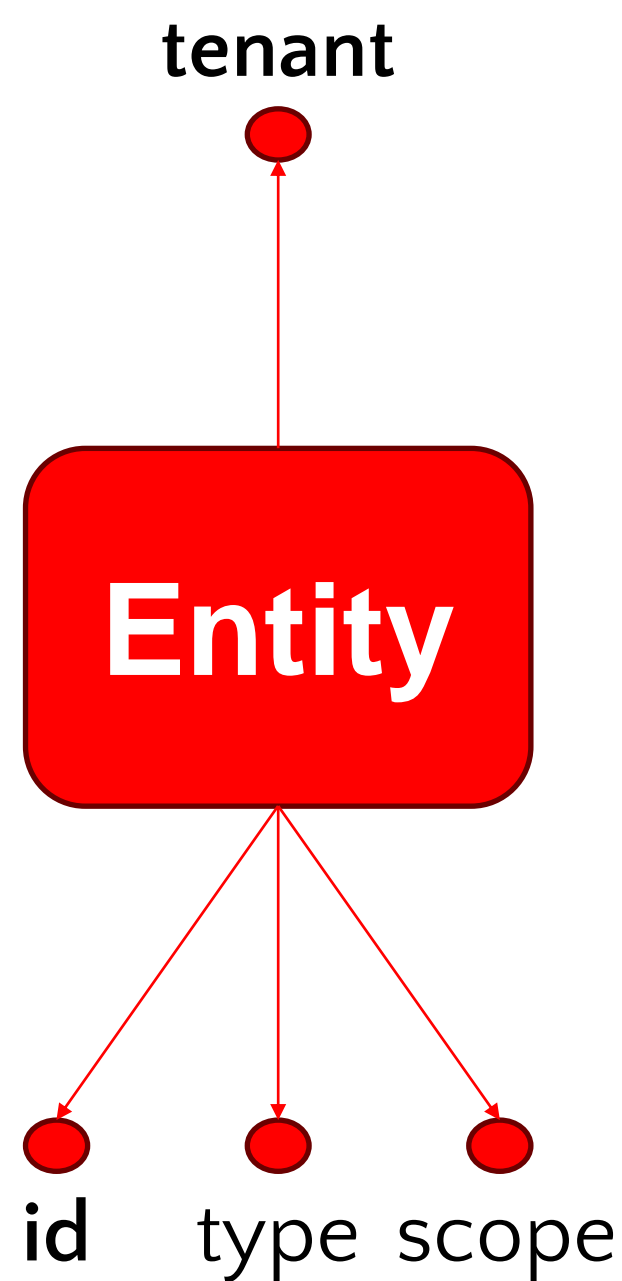
Where:

- ❖ <entity_type> is the type of the entity (e.g. “Car”, “WeatherStation”)
- ❖ <entity_id> is a unique identifier for that entity within the specific entity type

Example:

urn:ngsi-ld:car:1234

Entity Unique Identifier



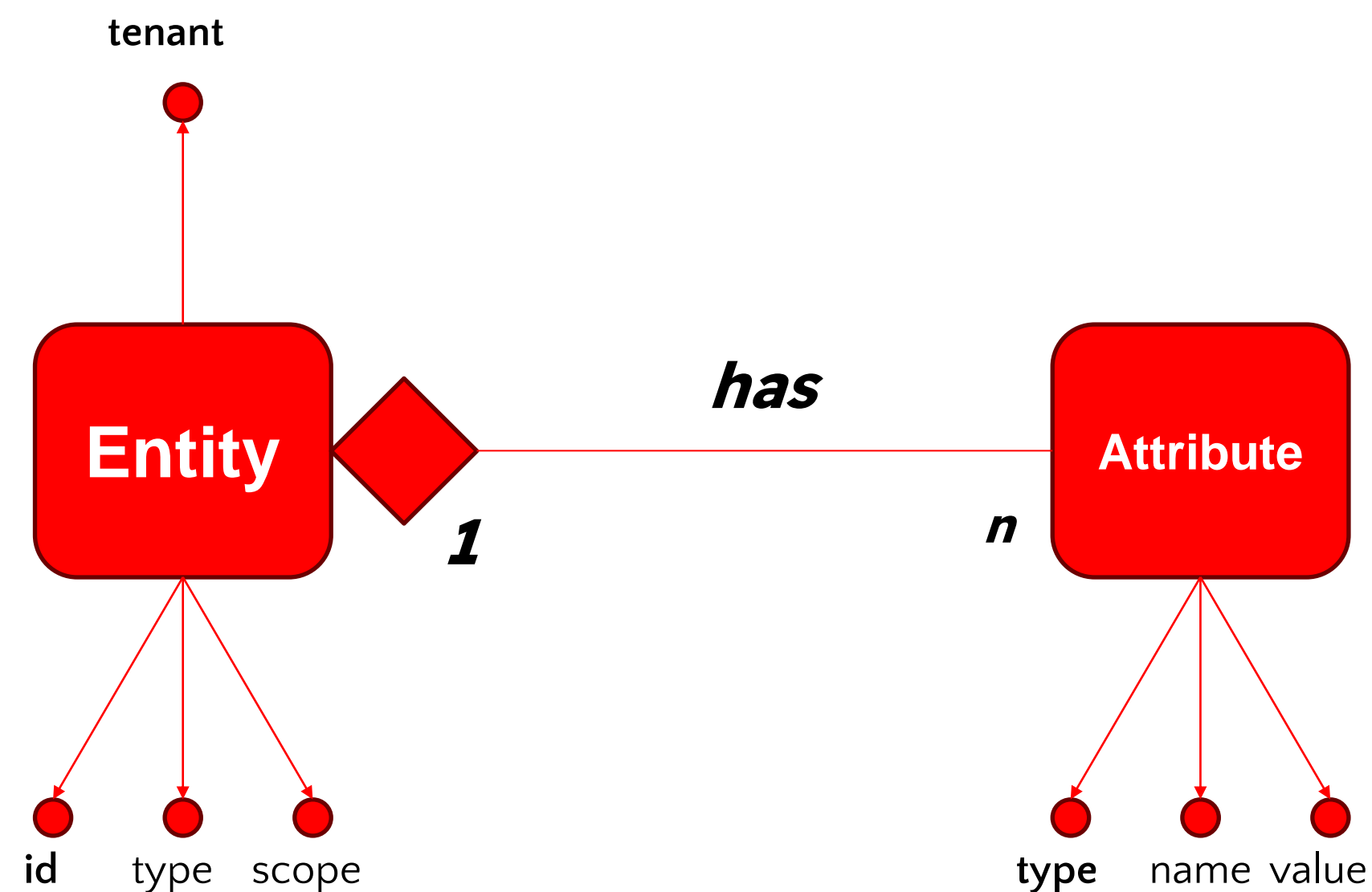
The "total" identifier of an entity is the set of { id, tenant }
 In other words, there can be two entities with the same "id" but in different tenants.

NGSI-LD - Entity Attributes

Entity-Attribute-Value

In NGSI-LD, the attributes of an entity represent the characteristics or properties of the entity. In adherence to the Entity-Attribute-Value (EAV) model, an entity in NGSI-LD consists of:

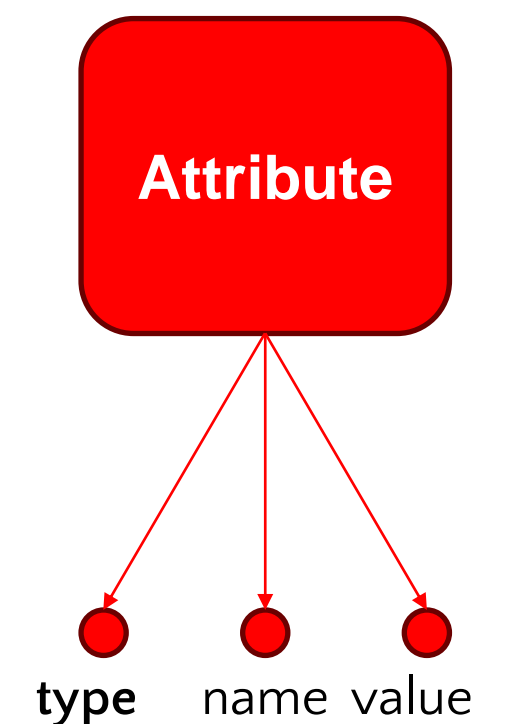
- **Entity:** A tangible object in the physical world, such as a car or weather station, capable of being defined and tracked.
- **Attribute:** Descriptors that define an entity's specific characteristics.
- **Value:** The current measurement or state of an attribute.



NGSI-LD - Entity Attributes

An attribute is a component of an entity that describes a particular characteristic or property of that entity. Each attribute is composed of:

- **Type**:
 - *Property*: an attribute of an entity that has a single value. For example, the temperature of a sensor may be an attribute of type Property.
 - *GeoProperty*: a geographical attribute of an entity (usually a GeoJSON).
 - *TemporalProperty*: keeps track of the temporal information associated with a given attribute.
 - *LanguageProperty*: linguistic information, e.g. the language of a text associated with an entity.
 - *VocabularyProperty*: uses a specific vocabulary to define its value, contributing to better semantic interoperability.
 - *Relationship*: a relationship between two entities.
 - *ListProperty*: a list of values rather than a single value (list of temperature measurements).
 - *ListRelationship*: a relationship involving more than two entities.
- **Name**: refers to the field that uniquely identifies an attribute within an entity.
- **Value**: the actual information associated with a specific attribute.

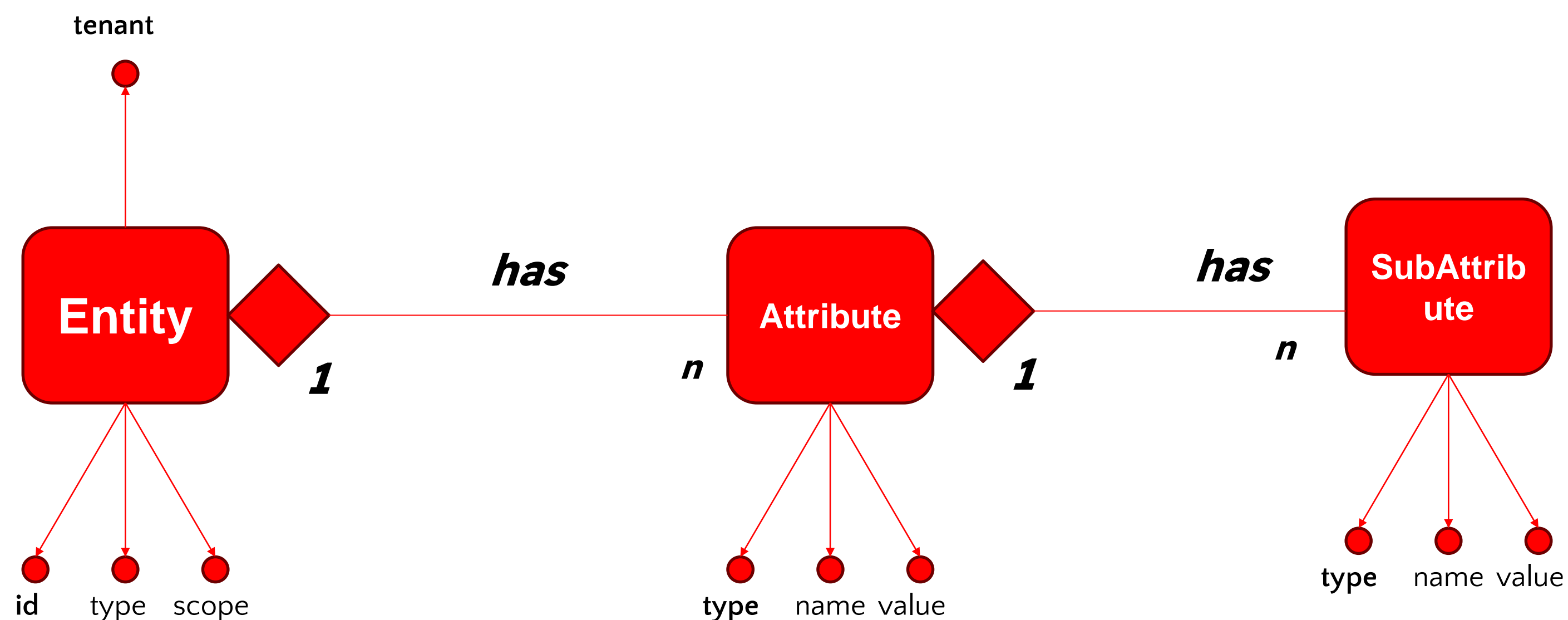


NGSI-LD – Sub-Attribute

The concept of “Sub-Attribute” can sometimes be used informally to refer to a hierarchical structure of attributes within a data model.

Name:

- unitCode
- observedAt



NGSI-LD – Different Payload Formats

NGSI-LD supports three different formats for JSON payload (for input as well as output):

- Normalized
- Concise
- Simplified

Normalized

```
{
  "id": "urn:ngsi-ld:Vehicle:0001",
  "type": "Vehicle",
  "speed": {
    "type": "Property",
    "value": 90,
    "unitCode": "km/h"
  },
  "brand": {
    "type": "Property",
    "value": "Tesla"
  }
}
```

Concise

```
{
  "id": "urn:ngsi-ld:Vehicle:0001",
  "type": "Vehicle",
  "speed": {
    "value": 90,
    "unitCode": "km/h"
  },
  "brand": "Tesla"
}
```

Simplified

```
{
  "id": "urn:ngsi-ld:Vehicle:0001",
  "type": "Vehicle",
  "speed": 90,
  "brand": "Tesla"
}
```


The @context field in NGSI-LD is used to define the **semantic context of the data in a resource**. The context helps interpret and understand the semantics of the data, indicating how to interpret data types, attributes and other elements within a JSON-LD resource. This context may be a URL pointing to an external context document or a JSON object embedded in the document itself. Context is crucial to correctly interpret the meaning of the data in the JSON-LD document and to **ensure proper semantic interoperability between different systems**.

Default Context: The Core @context is a built-in in an ETSI NGSI-LD compliant broker and it has precedence over any user supplied @context.

NGSI-LD - @context: Example

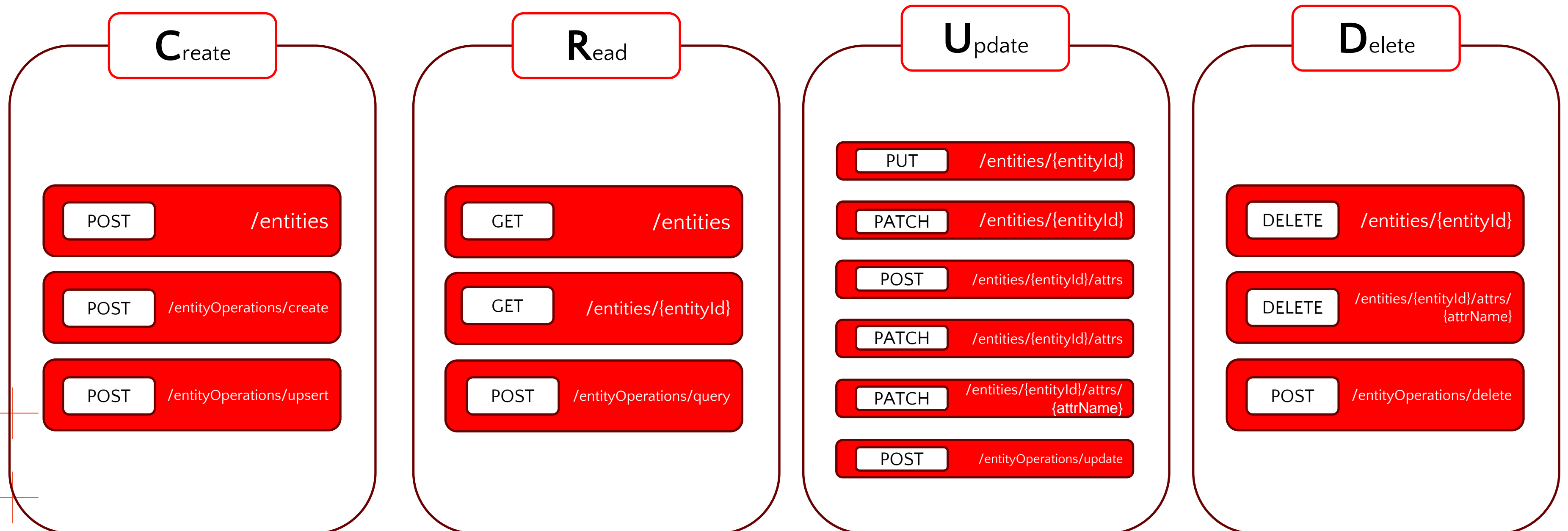
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```
{
  "@context": {
    "saref": "https://saref.etsi.org/core/",
    "temperature": "saref:Temperature"
  },
  "id": "urn:ngsi-ld:TemperatureSensor:001",
  "type": "TemperatureSensor",
  "temperature": {
    "type": "Property",
    "value": 25.5,
    "unitCode": "C"
  }
}
```

NGSI-LD - CRUD on Entities/Attributes

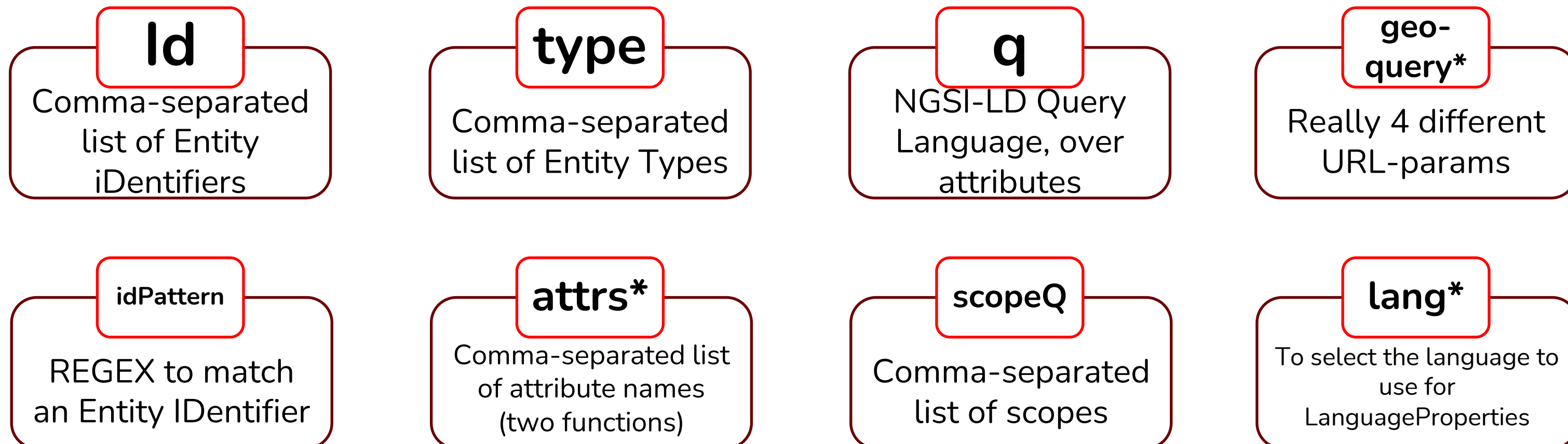
The Base Path of an NGSI-LD Context Broker is:

https://<YOUR_DOMAIN>/ngsi-ld/v1
 (The /v2 is for NGSI-v2)



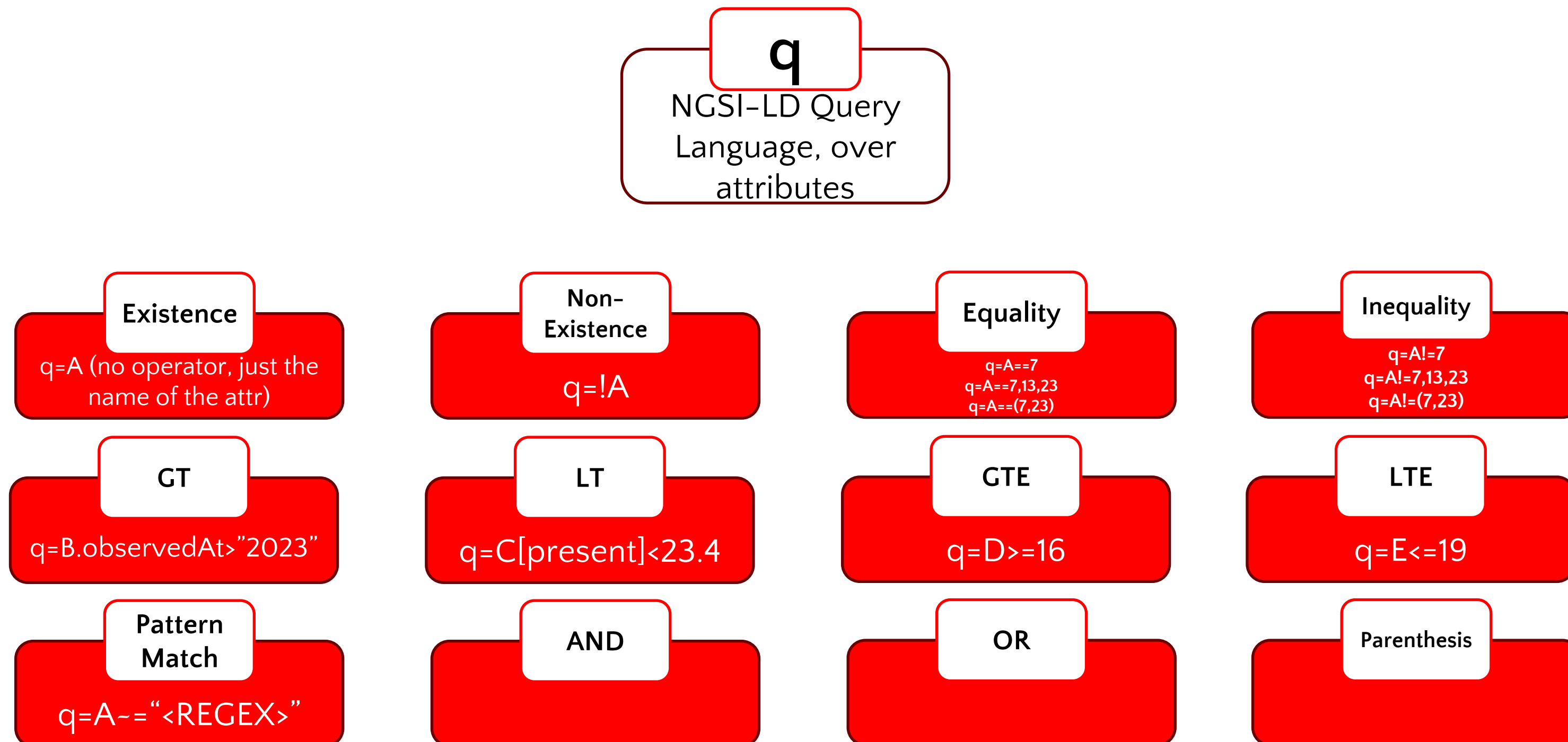
NGSI-LD - Options for Querying Entities

Filters are criteria or parameters used to restrict and select specific entities or information during a query of entities. These filters are used to customise queries and obtain only the desired data. Filters are represented as parameters in the URI, except when using a “POST Query”, where they are included in the body of the request (*).



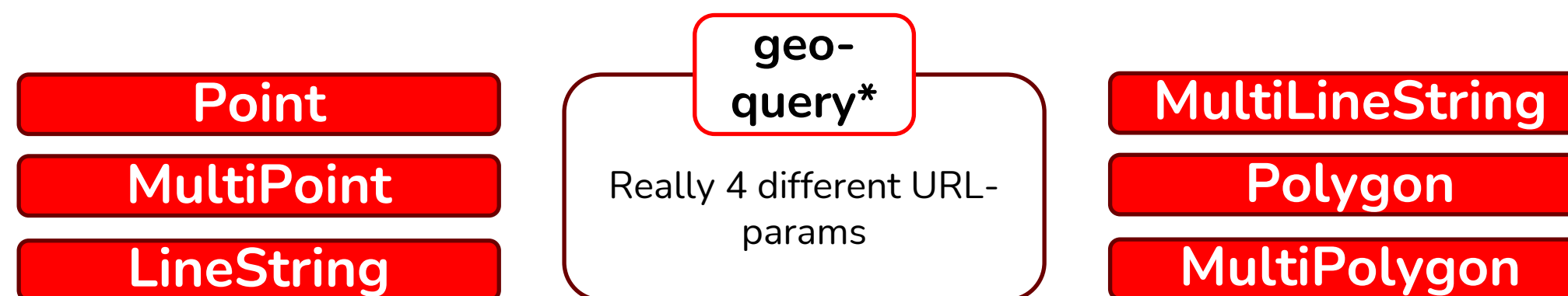
NGSI-LD - Query Language: Operators

The “NGSI-LD Query Language” is a query language used in the context of NGSI-LD to **perform advanced queries on entity attributes**. Operators are fundamental elements of this language and are used to define query conditions.



NGSI-LD - Query Language: Operators

The “geo-query” is a functionality within NGSI-LD that allows **spatial queries to be performed to select entities based on geographical criteria**. This functionality is particularly useful when managing geographical or geospatial location data.z



Each geometry type has its own “**georels**” that specifies the **geographical relationship** between the entity and the specified point. (e.g., “near;minDistance==X” for “Point”). See: <https://www.rfc-editor.org/rfc/rfc7946>.

Example (GET)

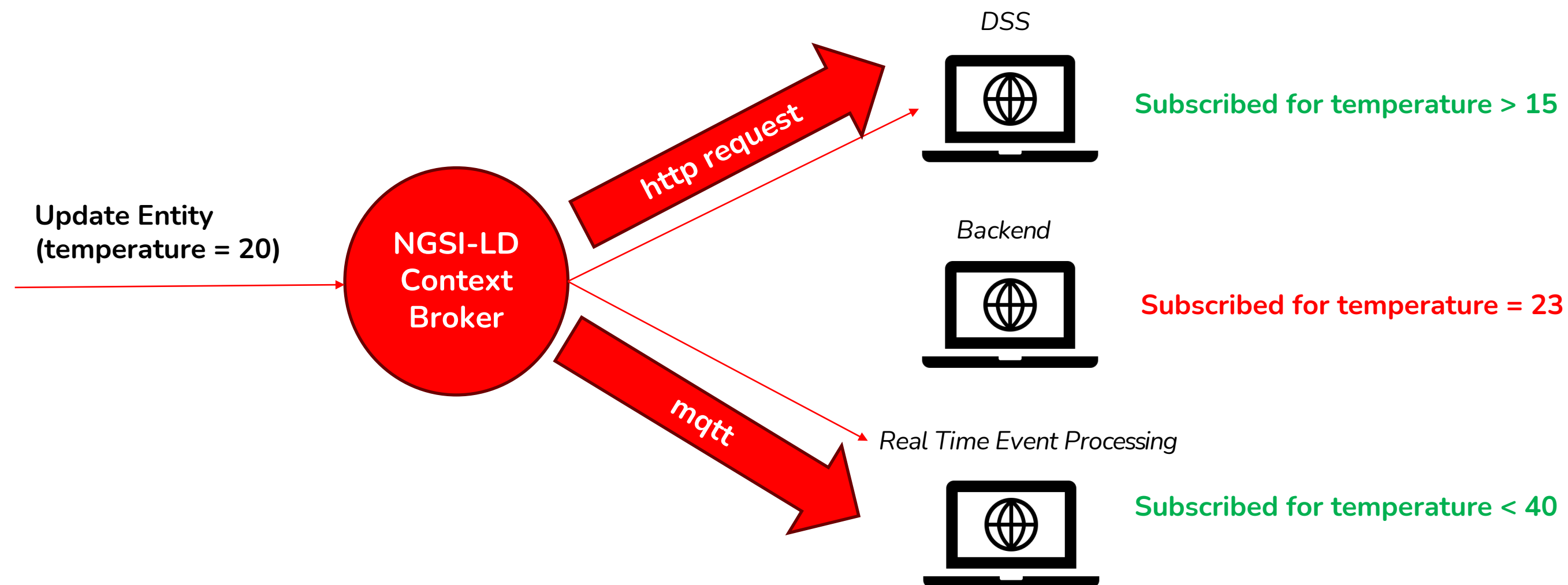
```
/entities?geoProperty=location&geometry=Point&coordinates=[1,2]&georel=near;maxDistance==100
```

Example (POST)

```
{
  "geo-query": {
    "geometry": {
      "type": "Point",
      "coordinates": [longitude, latitude]
    },
    "georel": "near",
    "maxDistance": distance
  }
}
```

NGSI-LD – Subscriptions

Subscriptions are mechanisms that allow users to receive real-time notifications when information associated with entities meets certain specified conditions. A Subscription defines “what to get notified for” and “where and in what format to send the notification”. The notification are sent by CB via **HTTP** or **MQTT** Protocols.



NGSI-LD Subscription Parameters

A subscription in NGSI-LD is characterized by:

- **Watched Attributes and Conditions:** when you want to receive notification (example temperature greater than 20)
- **Entities:** which entity you want to monitor (obviously in the example before they must have the temperature attribute)
- **Notification:** here you can specify the endpoint (HTTP or MQTT) to which you want to receive the notification and the data format

See example in the next slide.

NGSI-LD - Subscriptions (Example)

```
curl -L -X POST 'http://localhost:1026/ngsi-ld/v1/subscriptions/' \  
-H 'Content-Type: application/ld+json' \  
-H 'NGSILD-Tenant: openiot' \  
--data-raw '{  
  "description": "Notify me of low feedstock on Farm:001",  
  "type": "Subscription",  
  "entities": [{"type": "FillingLevelSensor"}],  
  "watchedAttributes": ["filling"],  
  "q": "filling>0.6;filling<0.8;controlledAsset==%22urn:ngsi-ld:Building:farm001%22",  
  "notification": {  
    "attributes": ["filling", "controlledAsset"],  
    "format": "keyValues",  
    "endpoint": {  
      "uri": "http://tutorial:3000/subscription/low-stock-farm001",  
      "accept": "application/json"  
    }  
  },  
  "@context": "http://context/ngsi-context.jsonld"  
}'
```

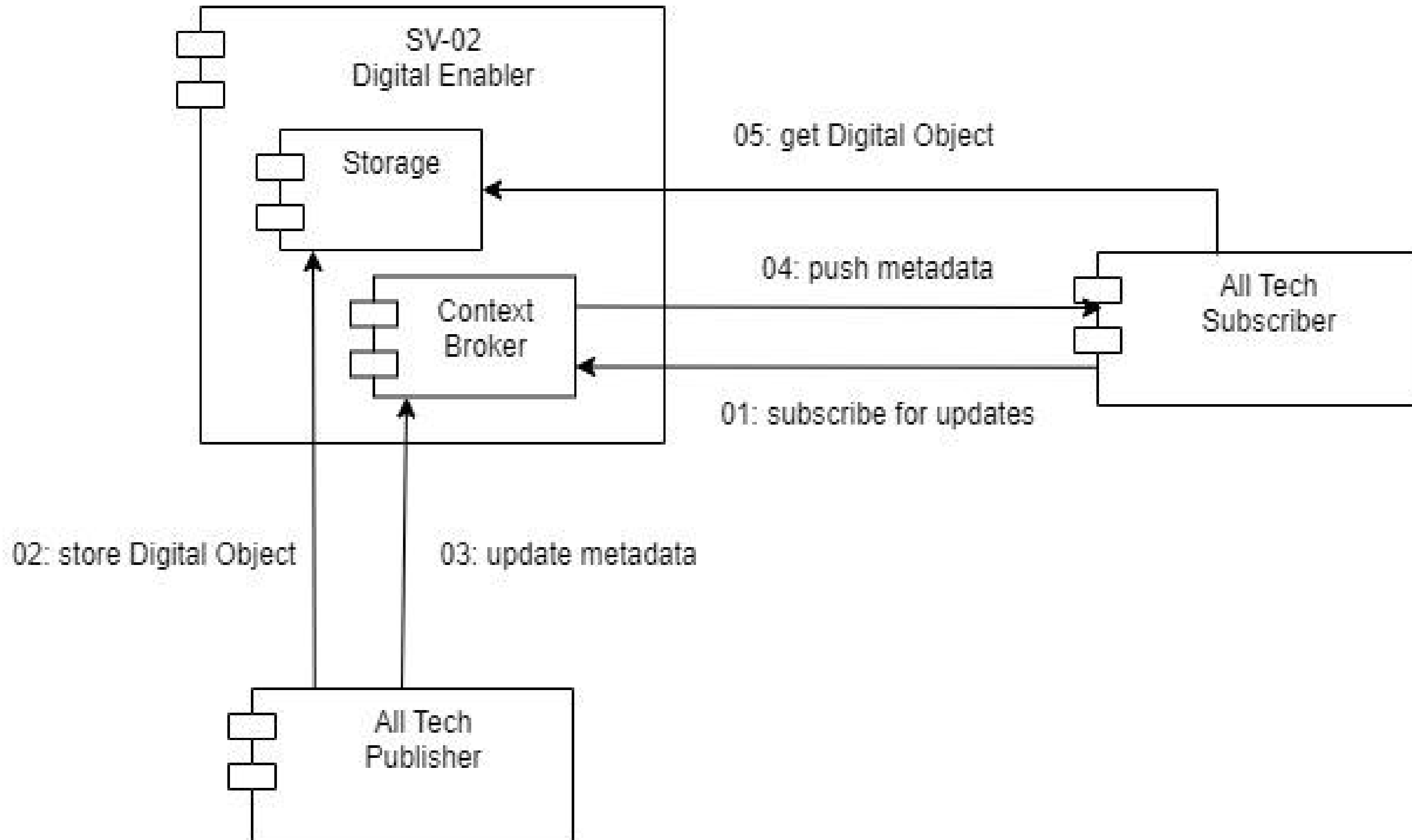
URL for Subscription

Trigger Condition(s)

Target

Data/Json to be Received

How to use Context Broker in TEMA



Storage: MINIO (02)

CREATE MINIO CLIENT

To interface with Minio, you need to create a MINio Client.

The required parameters are:

- url minio
- client_id
- client_secret

Example code:

```
MinioClient minioClient =  
    MinioClient.builder()  
        .endpoint("https://play.min.io")  
        .credentials("Q3AM3UQ867SPQQA43P2F",  
"zuf+tfteSlswRu7BJ86wekitniflLbZam1KYY3TG")  
        .build();
```

Storage: MINIO (02)

UPLOAD OBJECT:

After the creation of Minio Client, it's possible to upload contents from a file as object in bucket.

Upload a video file.

```
minioClient.uploadObject(  
  UploadObjectArgs.builder()  
    .bucket("my-bucketname")  
    .object("my-objectname")  
    .filename("my-video.avi")  
    .contentType("video/mp4")  
    .build());
```

Upload an JSON file.

```
minioClient.uploadObject(  
  UploadObjectArgs.builder()  
    .bucket("my-  
bucketname").object("my-  
objectname").filename("person.j  
son").build());
```

Create/Update metadata (03)

POST API:

url: <http://temacontextbroker.eu/ngsi-ld/v1/entities/>

body:

```
{
  "id": "urn:ngsi-ld:TemaEvent:Sardinia:26bc1c18-6cc3-11ee-b962-0242ac120002",
  "type": "TemaEvent",
  "creator": "Team Sardinia",
  "title": "Drone image"
  "description": "Fire occurred in Sardinia at 11pm",
  "img_url": "http://temastorage.eu/Tema/Sardinia/FireImages/651d7e8370125df5812ebb1d.jpg"
}
```



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Context broker push metadata (04)

The payload data of a notification contains information about the subscription that triggered the notification and the entities that provoked it.

```
{
  "id": "notification identifier",
  "type": "Notification",
  "subscriptionId": "urn:ngsi-ld:Subscription:Sardinia:TemaEvent",
  "notifiedAt": "DateTime Timestamp corresponding to the instant when
the notification was generated",
  "data": [
    { Entity 1 },
    { Entity 2 },
    ...
    { Entity N} ]
}
```

get Digital Object (05)

GET DIGITAL OBJECT:

After the creation of Minio Client, it's possible to get and download contents from minio

```
// get object given the bucket and object  
name  
try (InputStream stream =  
minioClient.getObject(  
  GetObjectArgs.builder()  
  .bucket("my-bucketname")  
  .object("my-objectname")  
  .build())) {  
  // Read data from stream  
}
```

```
// Download object given the bucket,  
object name and output file name  
minioClient.downloadObject(  
  DownloadObjectArgs.builder()  
  .bucket("my-bucketname")  
  .object("my-objectname")  
  .filename("my-object-file")  
  .build());
```


NGSI-LD vs NGSI-v2

NGSI-LD

It uses the JSON-LD (Linked Data) serialisation format to represent data. This enables a semantic representation of the data by incorporating context information within the JSON payload.

Adopts a Linked Data based data model, providing richer semantics and greater interoperability between IoT applications.

Introduces the NGSI-LD Query Language, which allows advanced queries on entity attributes, supporting logical operators and complex conditions.

Allows greater flexibility in attribute management, including the ability to define nested attributes (subAttribute) and specify metadata for attributes.

It adopts a more advanced semantic approach through the use of Linked Data, enabling better semantic interoperability between heterogeneous systems.

Aligned with the standardisation principles of the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C) for linked data.

Data Representation

Data Model

Query Language

Attribute Management

Semantic Approach

Standard

NGSIv2

Only JSON

Has a simpler data model than NGSI-LD and does not exploit the Linked Data concept.

Uses a simpler and more straightforward query syntax, without the support of advanced features such as those found in the NGSI-LD Query Language.

Has simpler attribute management than NGSI-LD.

It focuses on a lighter and more direct approach without fully adopting the concepts of Linked Data.

Based on specifications developed by FIWARE, a consortium of companies and organisations promoting open solutions for data management in the IoT.



Thanks!

Q&A
and
DEMO



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