Knowledge Representation of Educational Metadata in Linked Open Data: Promoting the Educational Use of Digital Cultural Heritage

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Development of Diverse Active Learning Approaches

Bridge Model

Connections with School Education



Research Objectives

- (Goal) Enrich learning resources: Provide rich and diverse learning resources that enable students and teachers to deepen their learning experiences, moving beyond the traditional silos of textbooks.
- Propose a Methodology: Develop a Bridge Model to effectively connect digital archives with educational practices, fostering seamless integration into teaching and learning processes.
- Publish LOD Datasets: Design and implement a series of Linked Open Data (LOD) models and datasets as a foundational framework for the educational use of digital archives.

Courses of Study

- In Japan, the government establishes the <u>Courses of</u> <u>Study</u> about every ten years, which define the content to be taught in primary and secondary education. Textbooks used in schools are certified based on these guidelines by the government.
- Traditionally, the Courses of Study have been provided just as a textual document, but to enhance their usability, the government has introduced standardized identifier, <u>Courses of Study Code</u> in 2020.
 - ✓ These codes assign standardized 16-digit identifiers to each sections and sentences of the Courses of Study.

Example of Courses of Study Code

- (Courses of Study for Elementary schools)
- <u>Section 4. SCIENCE</u>

A. Matter/Energy

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(1) Object and weight Regarding the properties of objects, provide instructions to help pupils acquire the following items, through exploring activities in which pupils compare 826023311000000 ng attention to the shape and volume of the objects.

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Db. Develop abilities to generate questions and express them regarding the properties of objects, through investigating the relationship between the object's shape and their weight, and the relationship 18260233112000000 lume and their weight, based on their differences and similarities.

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Japanese Course of Study (CoS) LOD



Example of Item in CoS LOD

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Japanese Textbook LOD



Japanese Textbook LOD

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About Japanese Textbook LOD »

Current Curriculum Guideline (Since AY2020)

Elementary School Curriculum guideline

Japanese Language Penmanship Social Studies Map Arithmetic Science Living Environment Studies M Health English Moral Education

Lower Secondary School Curriculum guideline

Japanese Language Penmanship Social Studies(Geography Area) Social Studies(History Area) Social Studie Music(General) Music(Instrumental Music) Art Health and Physical Education Technology and Home Economics(Technology Area) Technology and Home Economics(Home Economics Area) English Moral Education

Japanese Textbook LOD is a dataset which includes bibliographic information for textbooks published up to now since the 7th CoS guideline enforced in 1992, as well as the related information such as the subject areas, the subjects, teaching units, compiling prospectus and the courses of study.

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Use-case Scenarios with Our Bridge Model (1)



Linked Open Data (LOD) datasets for educational contents

Masao Oi, et al.: "SxUKILAM" Collaboration to Connect Local Digital Resources and School Education: Workshop and Archiving to Construct Network of "People" and "Data". 2022, Proceedings of ICADL 2022, 125 - 134. <u>https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-21756-2_10</u>

Use-case Scenarios with Our Bridge Model (2)

- Through the CoS items, various teaching units, educational objectives, and learning content are interconnected:
 - Students can deepen their learning by exploring high-resolution digital archive content similar to the illustrations found in their textbooks.
 - Students become capable of independently searching for their own learning materials, enabling them to extend their learning beyond the resources at hand.
 - Sharing and searching for links between teaching materials and CoS items created by other teachers or educational material companies can significantly reduce the time and cost of lesson preparation for teachers. This also enhances learning outcomes, offering substantial benefits.
- Based on our experiences, links between CoS items and digital resources are more effective when aligned with teaching plans or teaching units, as they are more compatible with educational practice.
 - ✓ In other words, directly connecting standalone digital content to learning objectives, such as those outlined in CoS, is often challenging...

Future Works

- Research Challenges
 - ✓ Develop applications for searching CoS items and learning resources and its evaluation
 - ✓ Develop the methodologies for streamlining the process of linking to enable extensive link descriptions

□Q: How and who is responsible for adding links between resources and the CoS items?

- Challenges in Social Implementation
 - ✓The need for national strategy on (digitalized) educational systems and national educational data infrastructure
 - ✓The importance of social acceptance in sharing foundational educational data, especially on the constraints of private companies' business models