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# Terminology Services in a Digital Repository

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# Outline

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- Introduction and Background
- Service Architecture
- Application Enhancements



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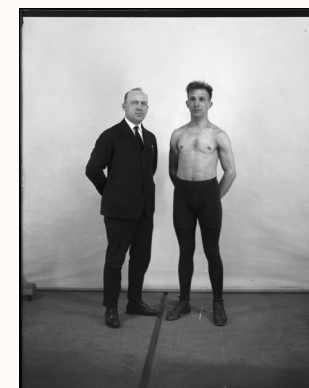
# About Controlled Vocabularies

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- List of terms that represent concepts
- Lacks the ambiguity of simple text
- Maintained by authorities
  - Library of Congress
  - Getty
  - Local researchers/experts
- Shared to describe different resources



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## Standardizing vocabularies and protocols

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- Standard vocabularies have been in use for years
- Standard integration of vocabulary access is less commonplace
  - Technical Integration
  - User Experience Integration



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# SERVICE ARCHITECTURE



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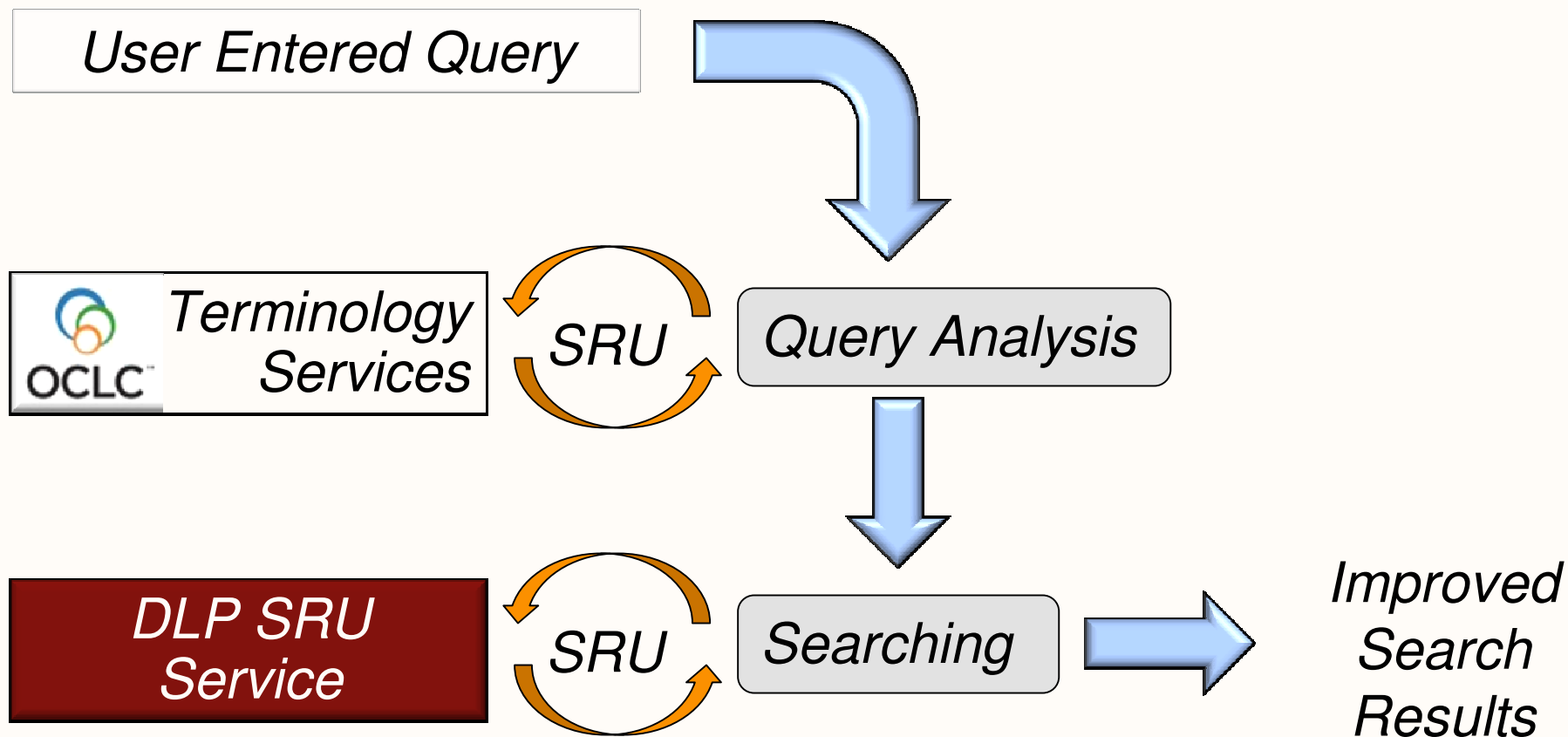
# Prototype

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- Goals
  - HTTP access to controlled vocabularies
  - XML response
  - Ability to lookup terms and then query relationships
  - Use of standard technologies
  - Eventually be able to host or mirror locally
- Outcomes
  - OCLC Research's Terminology Services  
(<http://www.oclc.org/research/activities/termservices/>)
  - Prototype discovery application  
(<http://webapp1.dlib.indiana.edu/imagesearch/>)



# Design/Algorithm



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## Local Production Services

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- OCLC SRU/W server + local customizations
  - Lucene-based search
  - ZThes context set

*<http://zthes.z3950.org/cql/>*

*<http://www.oclc.org/research/activities/srw/>*



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# Importing Vocabularies

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- Manual Process
  - One-time import from source
- Automatic Process
  - Store vocabularies in FEDORA repository
  - Update index in response to JMS messages



## Accessing Vocabularies

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- SRU access point
  - Search
  - Disambiguate (manual, if necessary)
  - Access term information or broader, narrower or related terms
- JSON wrapper to SRU



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# APPLICATION ENHANCEMENTS



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## Metadata Editor: PhotoCat

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- Descriptive Metadata Editor
- Primarily for photographs, using MODS schema
- Updates objects in the repository
  
- Some fields should be “linked” to CV sources

More information was provided at a talk at last year’s Fedora User Group Meeting,  
at OR09 <http://hdl.handle.net/1853/28530>



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# PhotoCat: current and future CV integration

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- Auto-complete linked fields
- Thesaurus Lookup
- *Browse hierarchically* \*
- *Validate and suggest terms* \*
- *Many more...*

<https://wiki.dlib.indiana.edu/confluence/display/INF/CV+integration+methods+for+image+cataloging+application>

*\*not yet implemented*



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Photographer/Studio: Photographic Services +

Donor's Image No.: 8139 +

Accession/Collection No.: 2000/003 +

Copyright Owner: Indiana University

Use Restrictions:

Personal Name: +

Location of Individuals in Picture:

Building Name: ? +

Corporate Name: Indiana Daily Student +

Event Name: +

Topic: News ?

Newspaper carriers ? +

Newspaper editors ? +

Newspaper headlines ? +

Newspaper industry ? +

Newspaper vendors ? +

Other Place Name: Newspapers +

Newsrooms

Television news anchors

Underground newspapers

The topical content of the photograph, including significant foods, objects, animals, classes of persons, architectural features and general types of events. Include one topic per field, and repeat this this field as necessary. Take value from TGM I.

\* indicates fields that should be considered

\* There might be a short delay before you

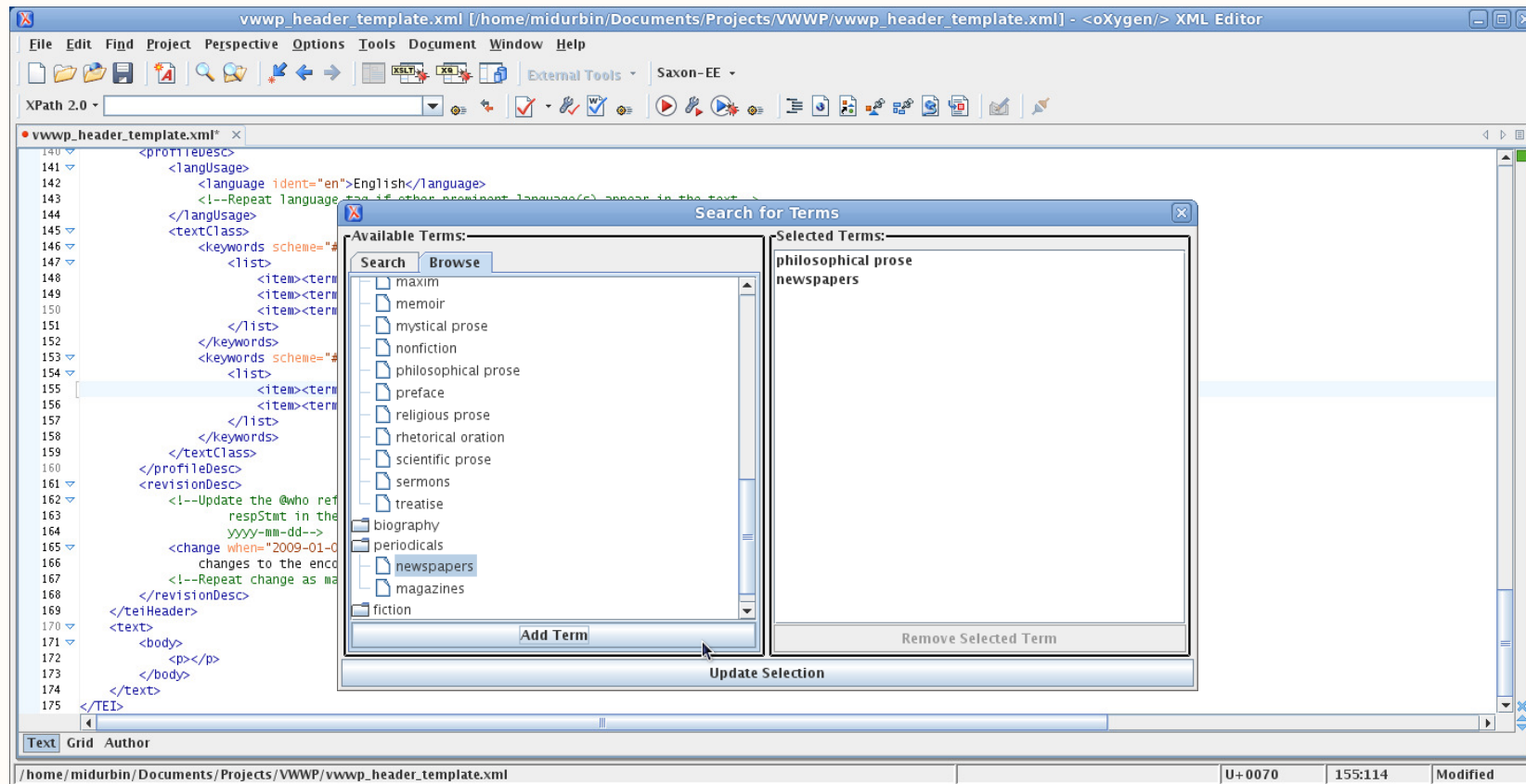
# Oxygen Plug-in

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- o Oxygen
  - Commercial XML editor
  - Used in some of our workflows
    - TEI
    - EAD



# Oxygen Plug-in





# Search Application

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- Expand Queries
- Suggest alternate queries
  - Related queries
  - Broader queries
- Implementation
  - Server side or Client side



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# IU DLP Image Search

about search

## Results for "vineyards":

Facets

The query you entered was expanded:

"vineyards"  
"vine"

# IU DLP Image Search

Results 1

about search

1. A N

## Results for "grapes":

### Suggested Search Terms:

- Instead of "grapes", try searching for the related term [Fruit](#)
- Instead of "grapes", try searching for the related term [Grapevines](#)
- Instead of "grapes", try searching for the related term [Wine industry](#)

Results 1 - 10 of 20

### 1. Pet raccoon is fed a grape by master.

author  
Cushman  
subject headings



1 2

Facets

### Collection

- [archives/cushman](#) - 17
- [lilly/hohenberger](#) - 3

### Subject

- [Agricultural facilities](#) - 1
- [Alexander Valley \(Calif.\)](#) - 4
- [Balconies](#) - 2
- [Barbed wire](#) - 1
- [Barnes, Wash](#) - 1
- [Barrels](#) - 2
- [Bays \(Bodies of water\)](#) - 1

# Indexer

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- Feature
  - Relationship based term expansion
  - Inclusion of notes or other term information in index
- Implementation
  - XSLT
  - Java
  - Anything...



# CV Management Tool

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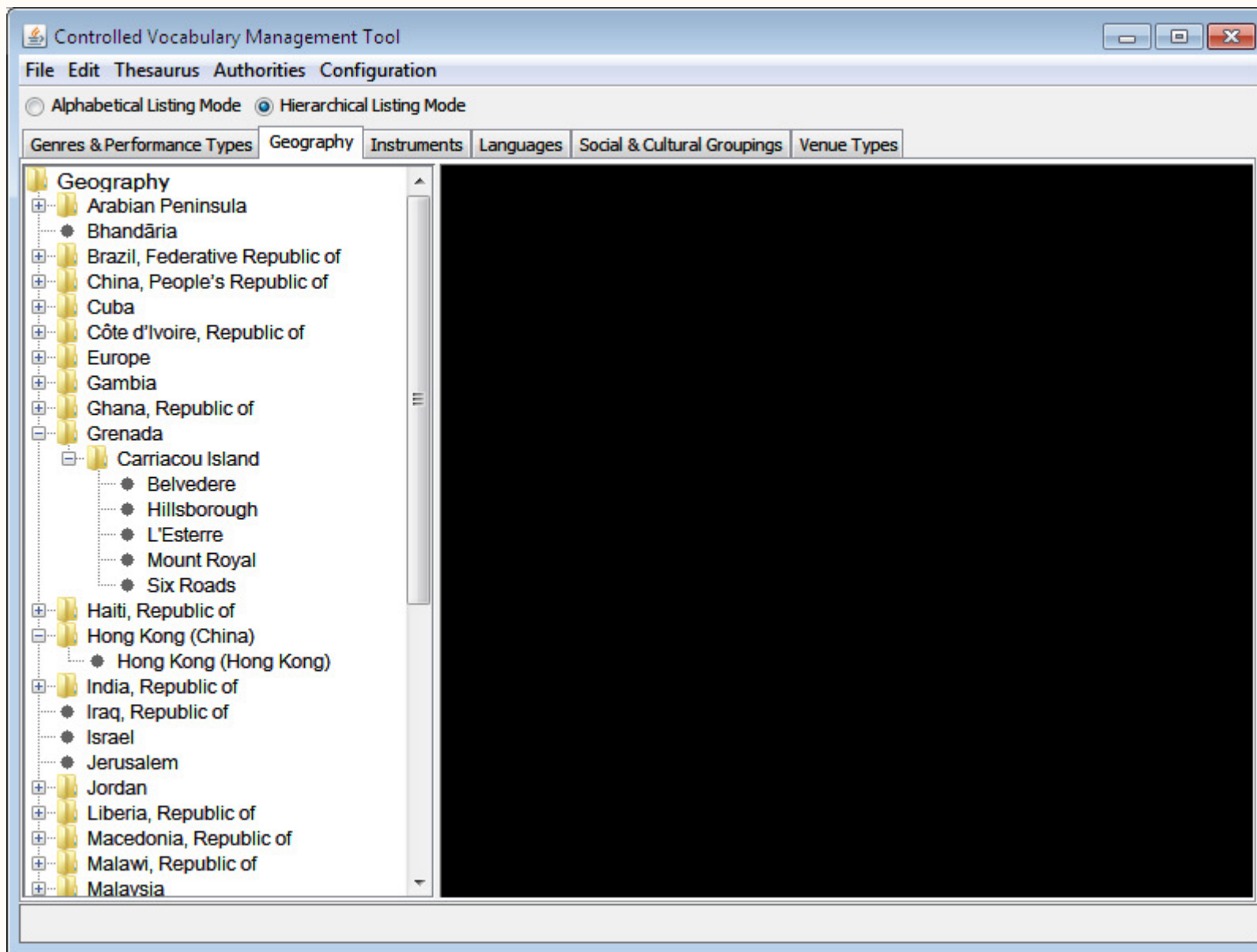
- Written for a prior project (EVIADA)
- Features
  - Drag and drop Importing
  - Drag and drop relationship building

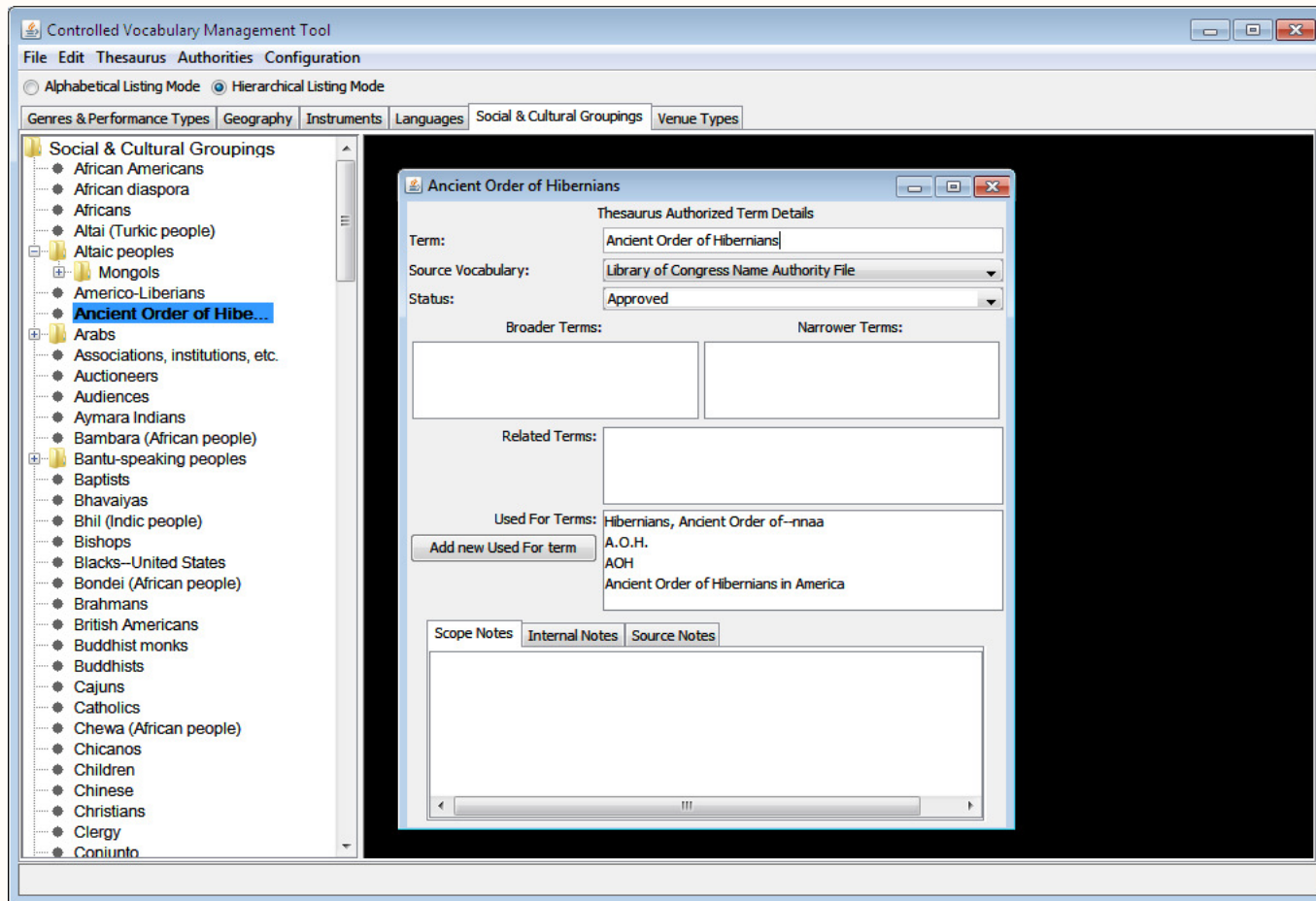


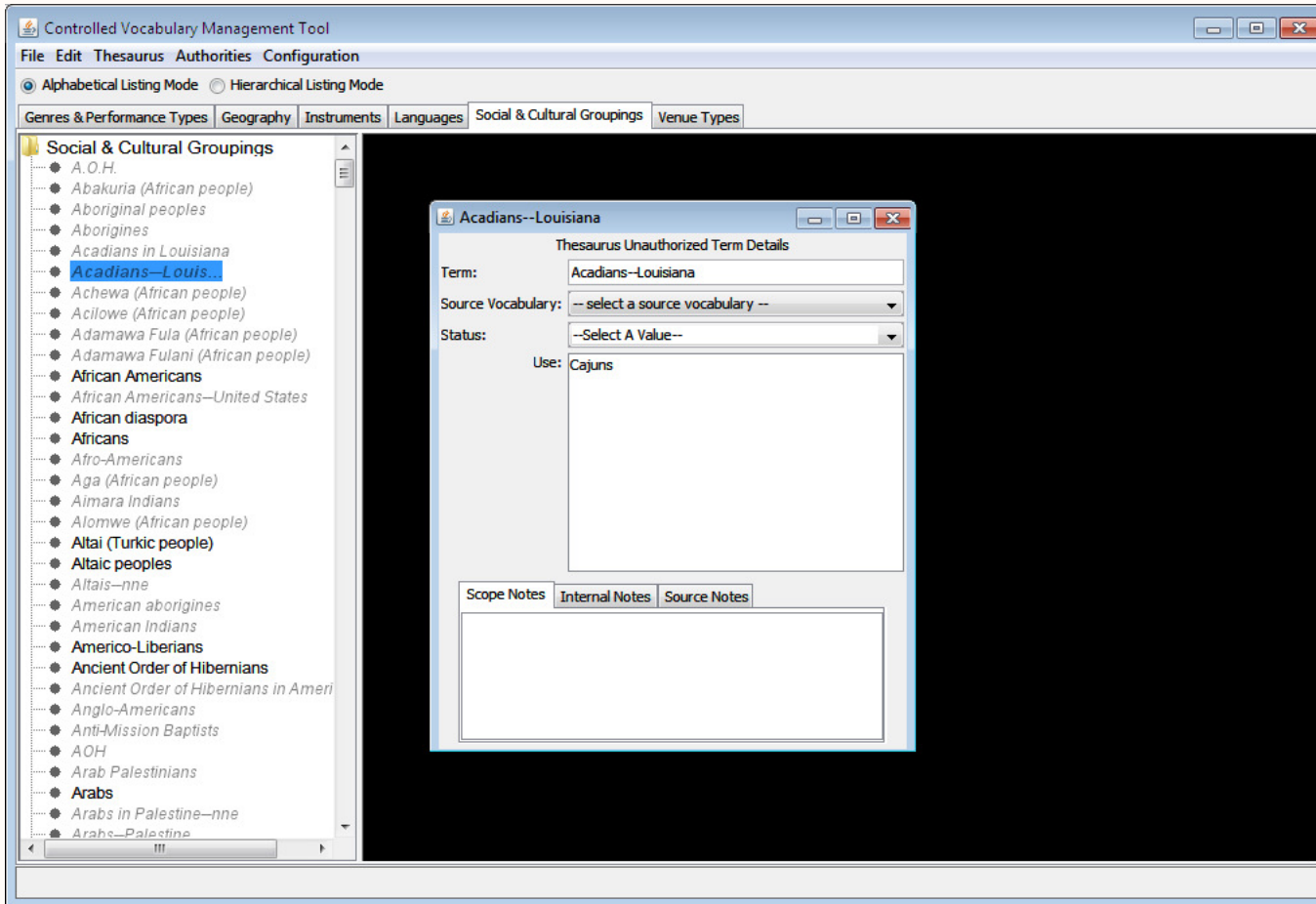
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## Upgrade Validation

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- Over time, even perfectly cataloged items may need to be updated:
  - Vocabularies change
  - Practices change
- Scripted validation and migration utilities can easily be written using information provided through the terminology service





## Next Steps

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- More advanced/intuitive interactions
  - Hierarchical browsing
- Publishing/Sharing local vocabularies



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## What You Can Do

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- Experiment with public services
- Bring up your own service
  - SOLR
  - JSON
  - Something else
- Share your vocabularies



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# Thanks! Questions?

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## **Links**

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