#### And What of Indexes?

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## Why Index?

- If you can't find information, it may as well not exist
- Full text searching? Sure, if you like Google Glut results
- Same subject, different descriptions
- Related information (and how related)
- A "view" of the text and its subjects



## Topic Maps

- Independent Information Resources
- Web portals
- Other examples...
- But what of indexes?
  - TaxMap is one example



#### What to Index?

Interesting

Structured Content (to ease automatic construction)

Useful for further integration



#### Hittite Text Archive?

- Interesting?
- Structured content?

- Further integration?
- < 200 full time Hittitologists world wide</li>



#### Alt.sex Newsgroups?

- Interesting?
- Structured content?
- Further Integration?
- But export/import laws and squeamish marketing department



#### OOXML, DIS 29600?

Interesting?

Structured Content?

Further Integration?

Under review, lots of interest!



# Current Indexing in OOXML

- Part 1: 173 pages 3 1/3 page index
- Part 2: 129 pages 1 page index
- Part 3: 472 pages No index
- Part 4: 5,219 pages No index
- Part 5: 43 pages 1 page index
- So, 6,036 pages and a total of 5 1/3 pages of indexing, or 5,691 with no indexing at all.



## Subjects in OOXML

- Markup elements
- Relationships between markup elements
- Examples of markup elements
- Use of markup elements in other elements
- Attributes of markup elements
- Values of attributes
- Other rules



## More Subjects and OOXML

- But, people are writing about OOXML
- Comments by National Bodies
- Instructional materials (with their own subjects as well)
- Email discussions
- Endless blog postings
- Noted for completeness, here working with the published text of OOXML



# Building a topic map of OOXML

- Advantage: OOXML is available in OOXML (a markup format)
- Permits the automatic building of associations between sections and subjects within them
- Human authoring can refine or add more subjects not extracted automatically
- Becomes applicable to OOXML documents generally



## First Pass Subjects

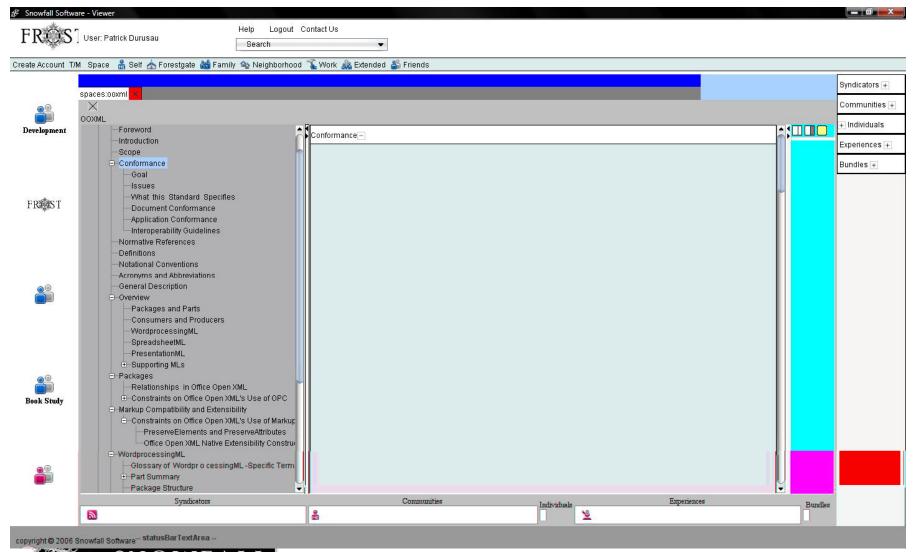
- Part
- Section
- Sub-Sections
- Elements in all of the above
- Attributes
- Relationship between element and where it occurs (for navigation)

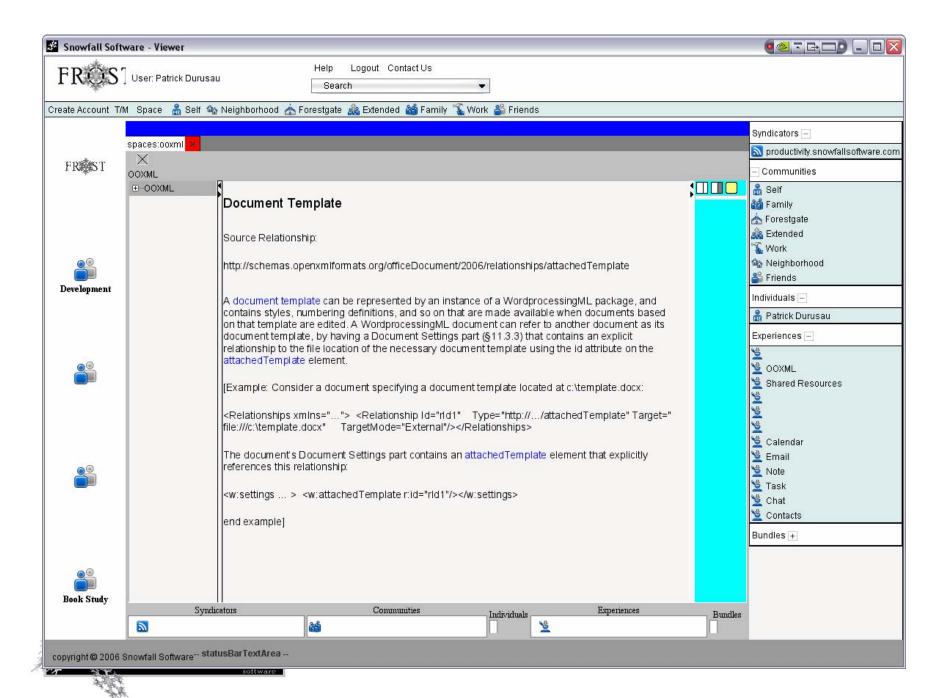


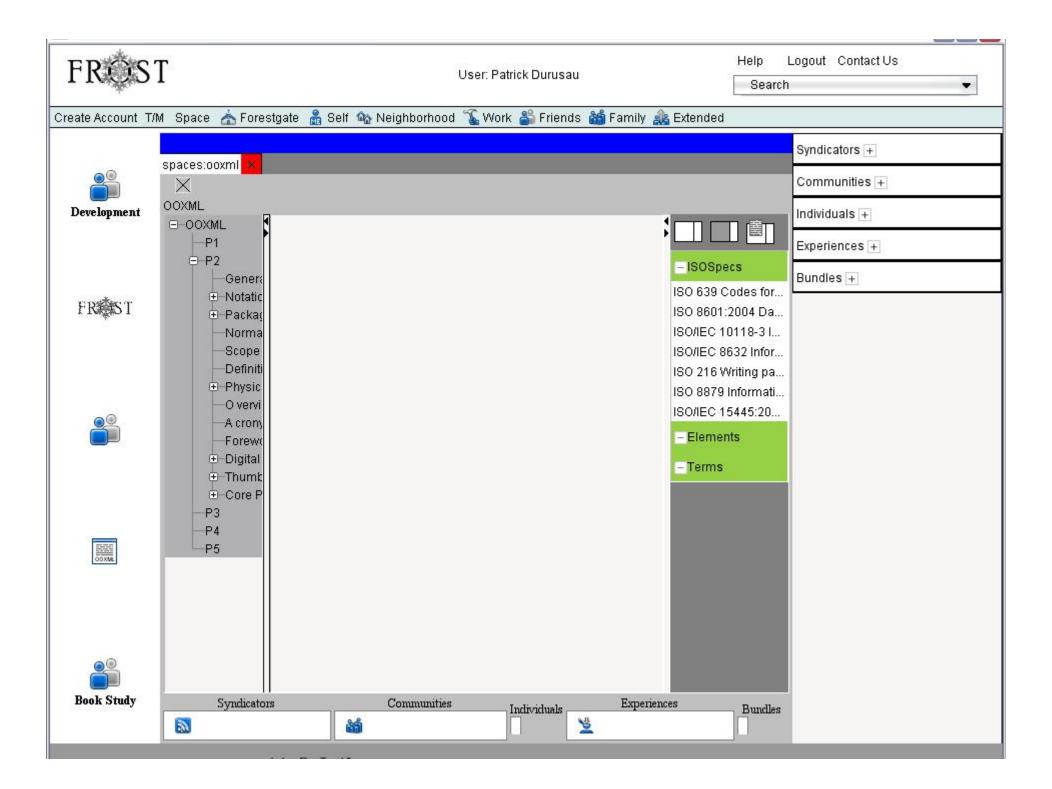
## Skip to Demo!

 Added here to cut off boring theory for jump to comparison of standard indexing in Adobe and Topic Map approach









#### Summary of Screen Shots

- Navigation by term and by relationships
- Dynamic display of relevant content (not a feature of topic maps but of this interface)
- Can add subjects and relationships between subjects
- Automatic generation augmented by human authoring (without syntax)



# Forthcoming Features (commercial)

- Export to XTM (other XTM application would have to support OOXML for viewing)
- Browser and standalone versions
- Either version can synchronize with others, all or part of the "local" topic map
- Integration of other information resources, email, local code, etc.



#### Conclusion

- Augmented indexing for texts
- Integration of multiple sources of comments on one text
- Integration of other information resources with the text
- Integration of a text with local resources (like programming code with reference manuals)



# Questions?



