Aggregates in RDA

Translations and whole-part structures

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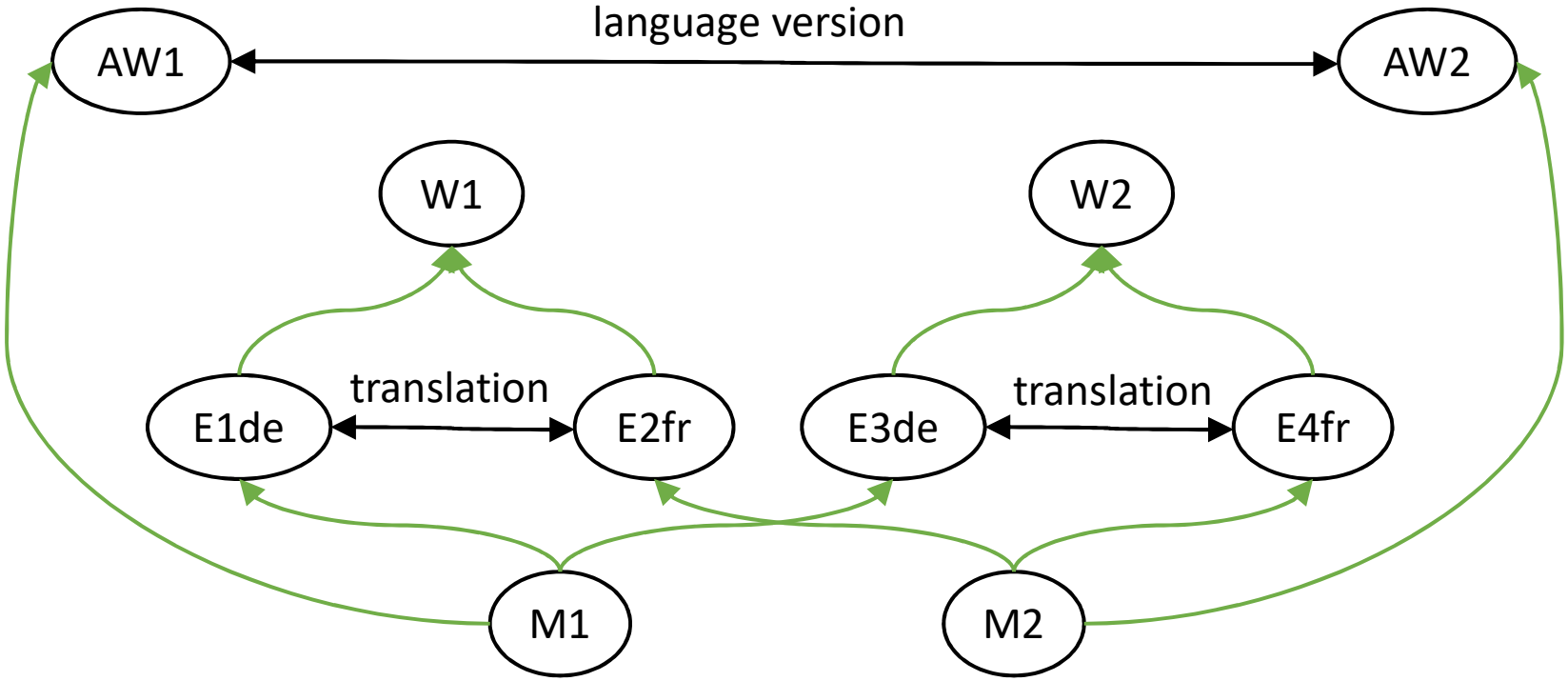
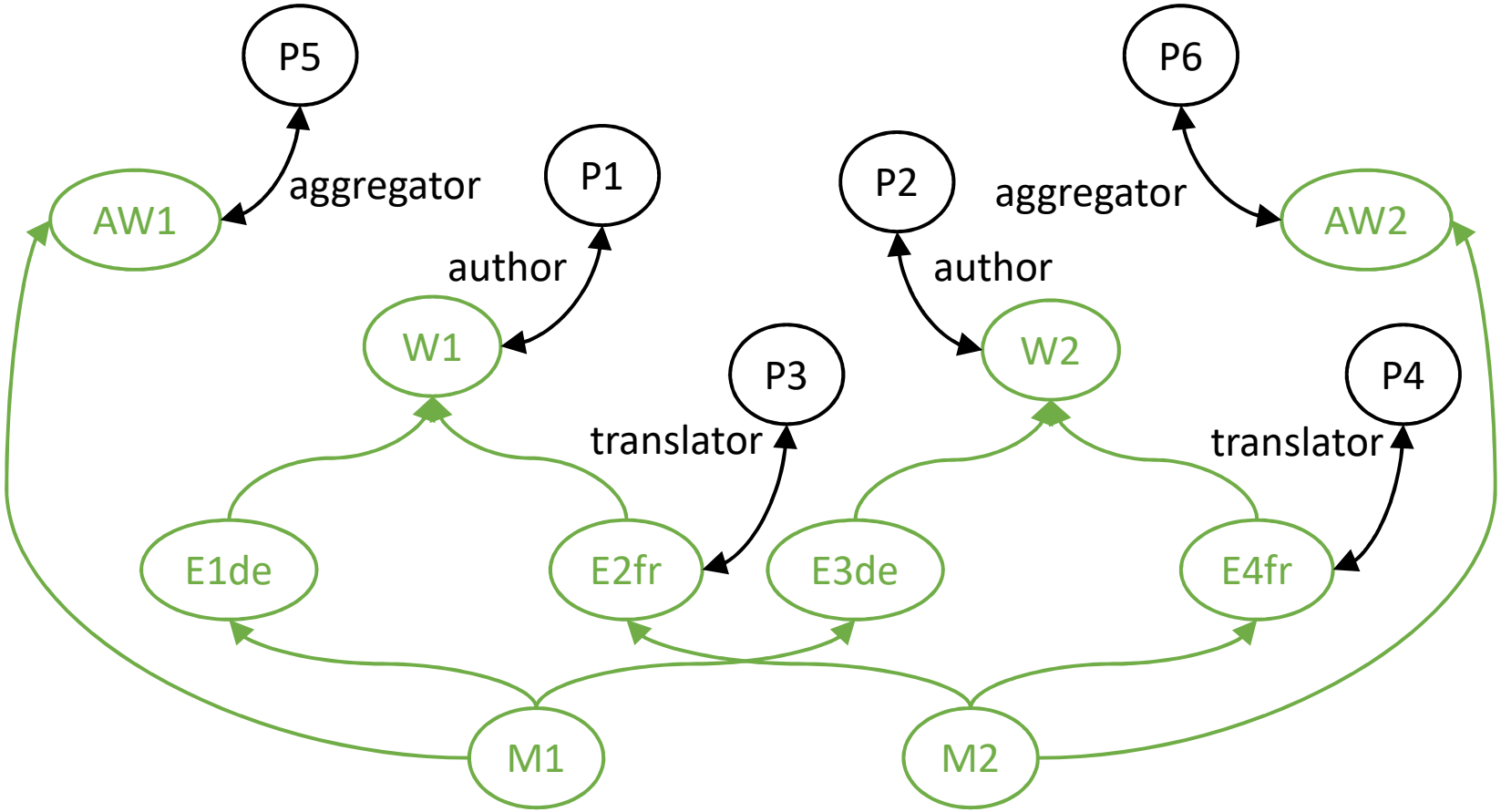
Aggregate of translations ✓



Translation of aggregates ✗

Aggregator of translations ✓



Translator of aggregates ✗

Role relationships

P1, P2: author of aggregated work/expression (de)

P3, P4: translator of aggregated work/expression (fr)

P5, P6: aggregator of aggregating work

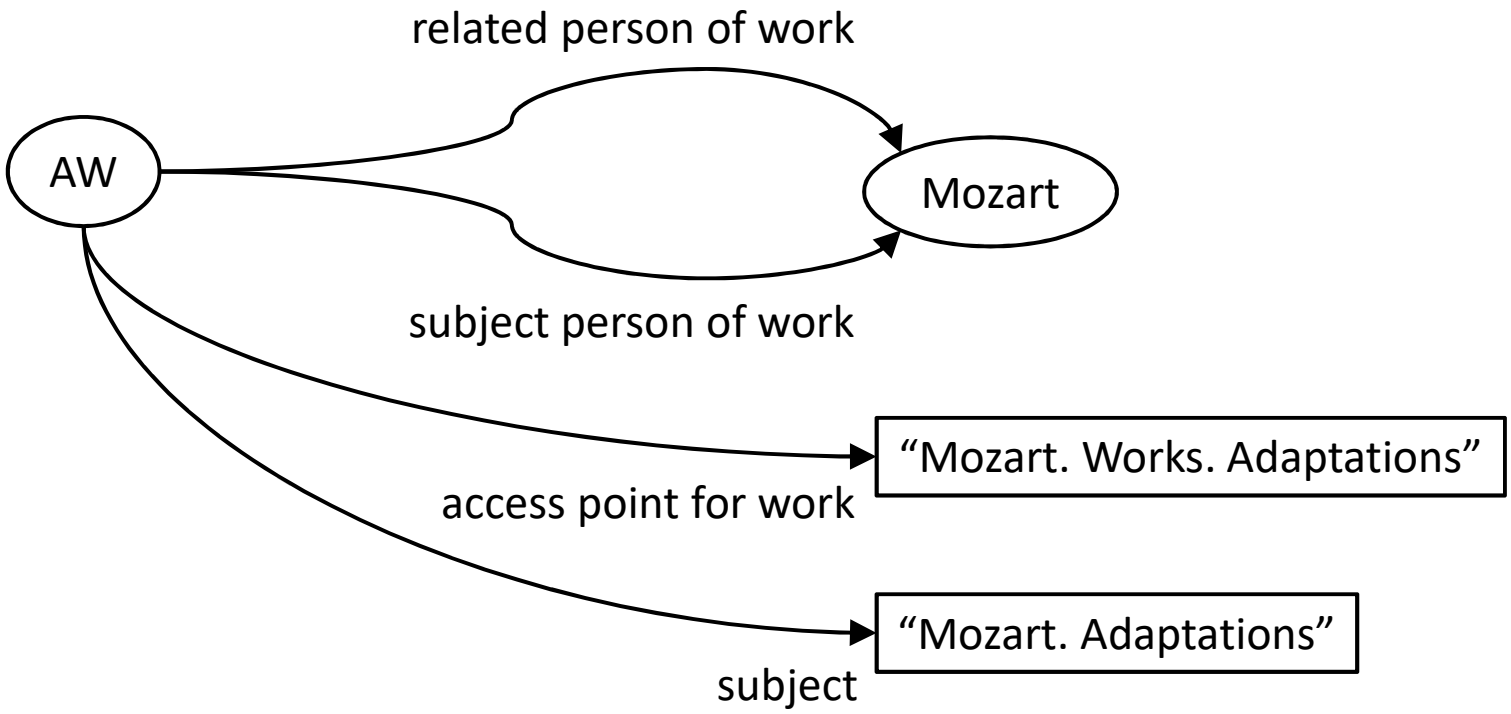
Any or all of P1-6 may be the same person (agent)

P3, P4 can represent other ‘expression transformation’ roles; e.g. musical arrangement

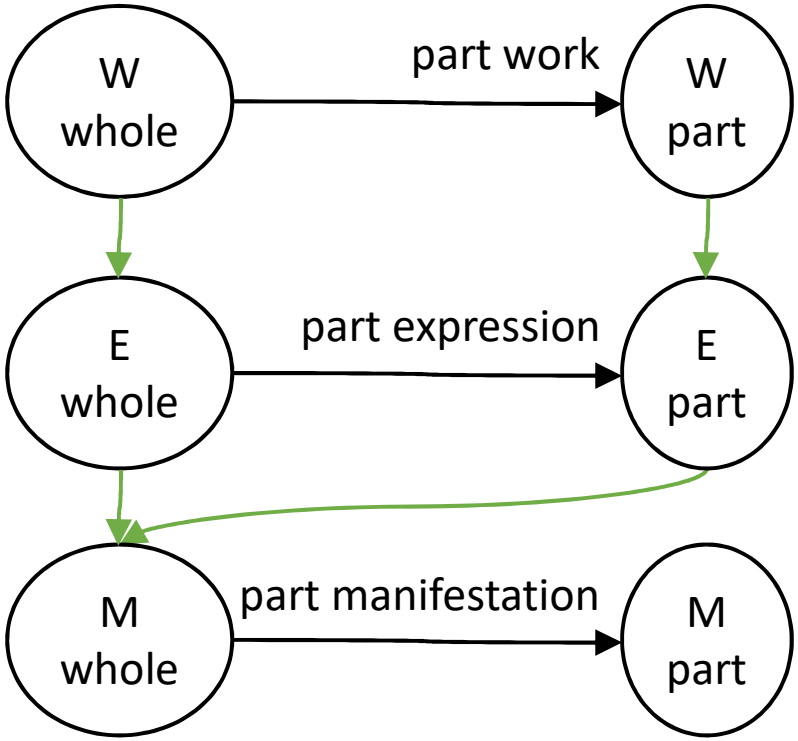
Publisher agent of aggregate manifestation may be the same as aggregator agent of aggregating work

Other role relationships

Relationships between agents and aggregating works may also be described via the characteristics of the aggregating plan and via access points



Wholes and parts

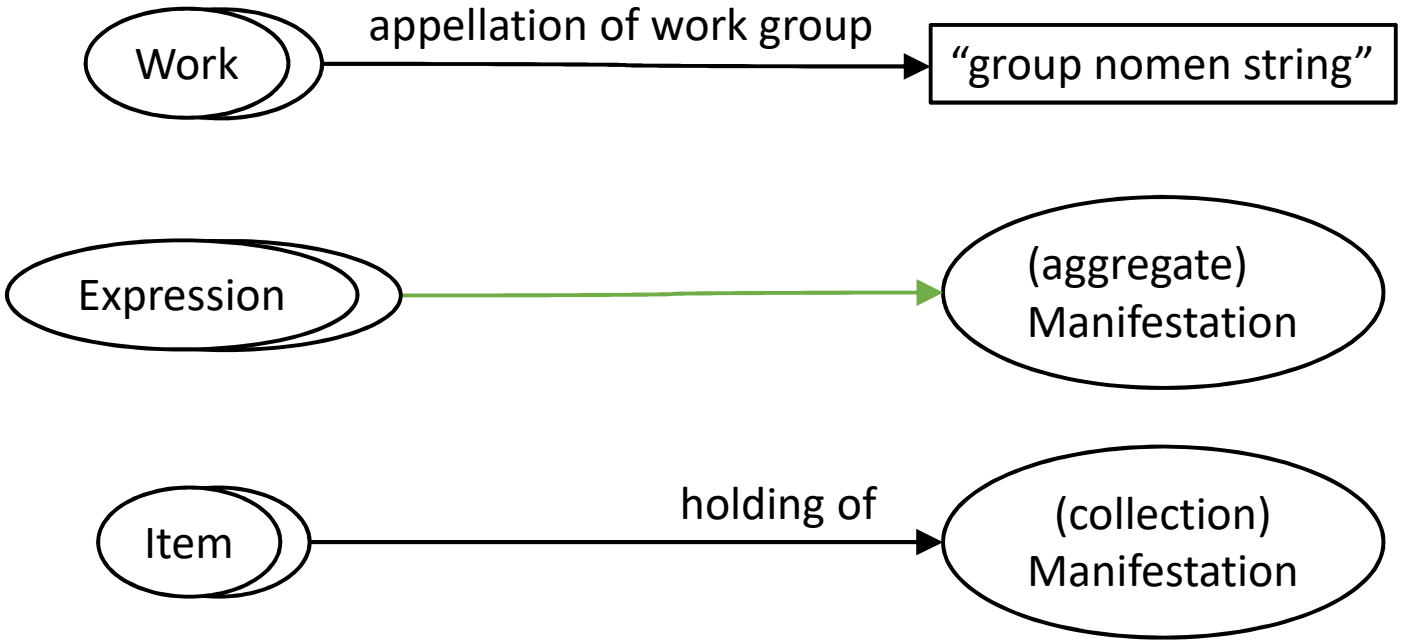


Conceptual parts
Inherited by expression from work

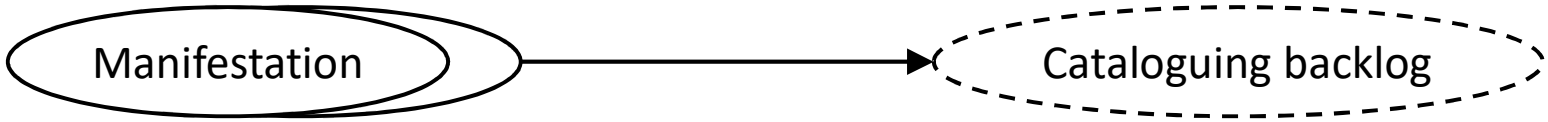
Tangible/logical parts
Intrinsic to manifestation
Independent of conceptual parts
Example: 3 parts of Lord of the Rings in 2 volumes

M embodies some, but not all, E parts = aggregate
M embodies all, and only, E parts (E whole) = non-aggregate

Gathering WEMIs



Differentiation of ‘gathering’ structures provides more control and choice to suit local needs



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