

Placing the First Five Generations of Linguists

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Today's themes

- A study in rupture and continuity
 - The mind sciences: linguistics, philosophy, psychology, logic
 - continuity and rupture within disciplines
 - intellectual: often remains tacit and implicit
 - generational: natural forces leading to generational rupture
 - filial: advisor-student
 - across disciplines
 - Cross-fertilization: moles sneaking under the fences
 - Splitting of disciplines: psychology/philosophy; logic/philosophy;
 - geographically and politically
 - Americans going to Germany to study science until 1914
 - Europeans coming to the US around 1933
 - Themes
 - Two Kinds of Not-Knowing: simple vs. meaningful
 - Jehovah and Noah
 - Cause and effect, teleology, and the meaning of the computer
 - Science anxiety as a way of life
 - Goal: intellectual liberation, both early and late

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Deep time: geology

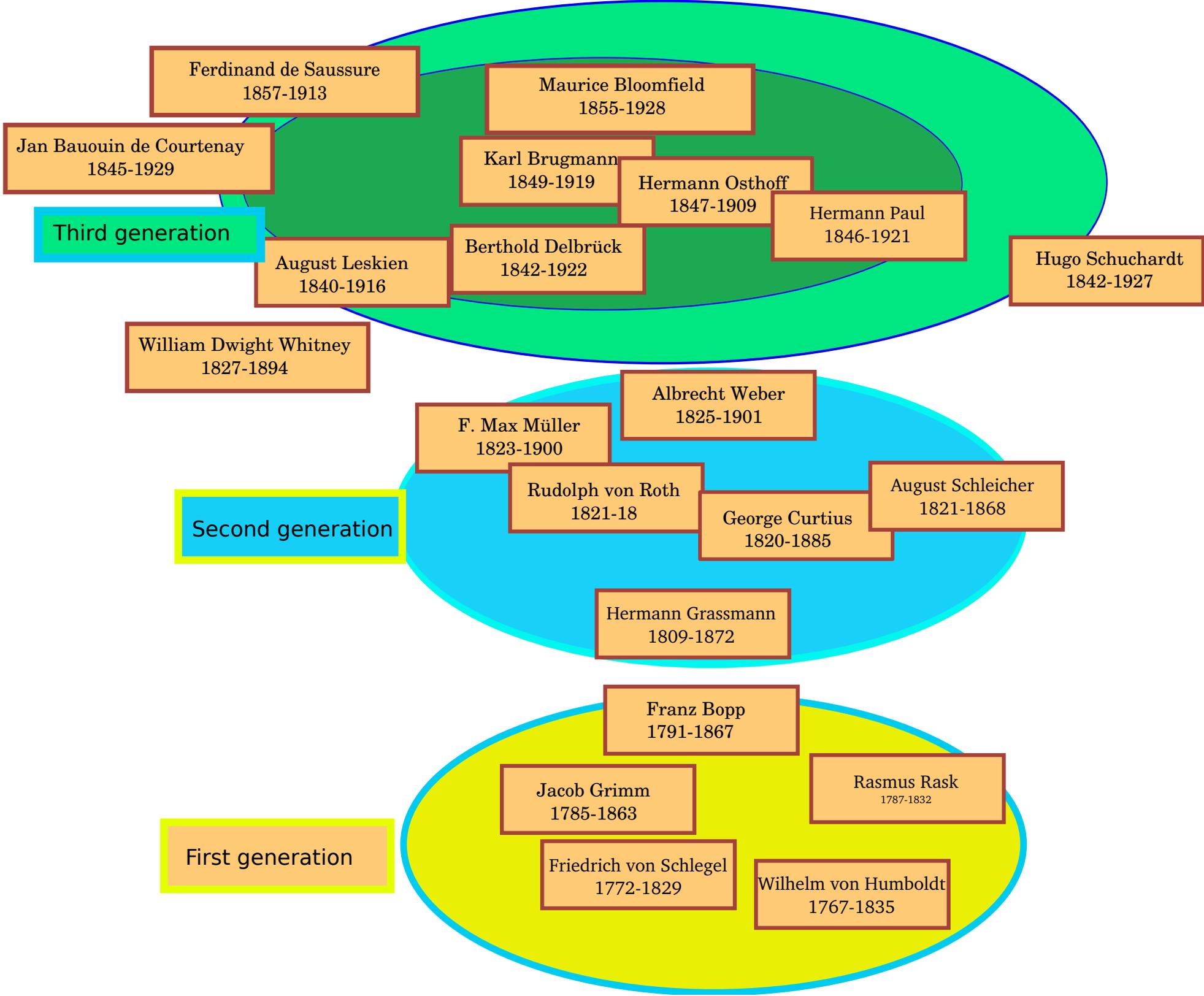
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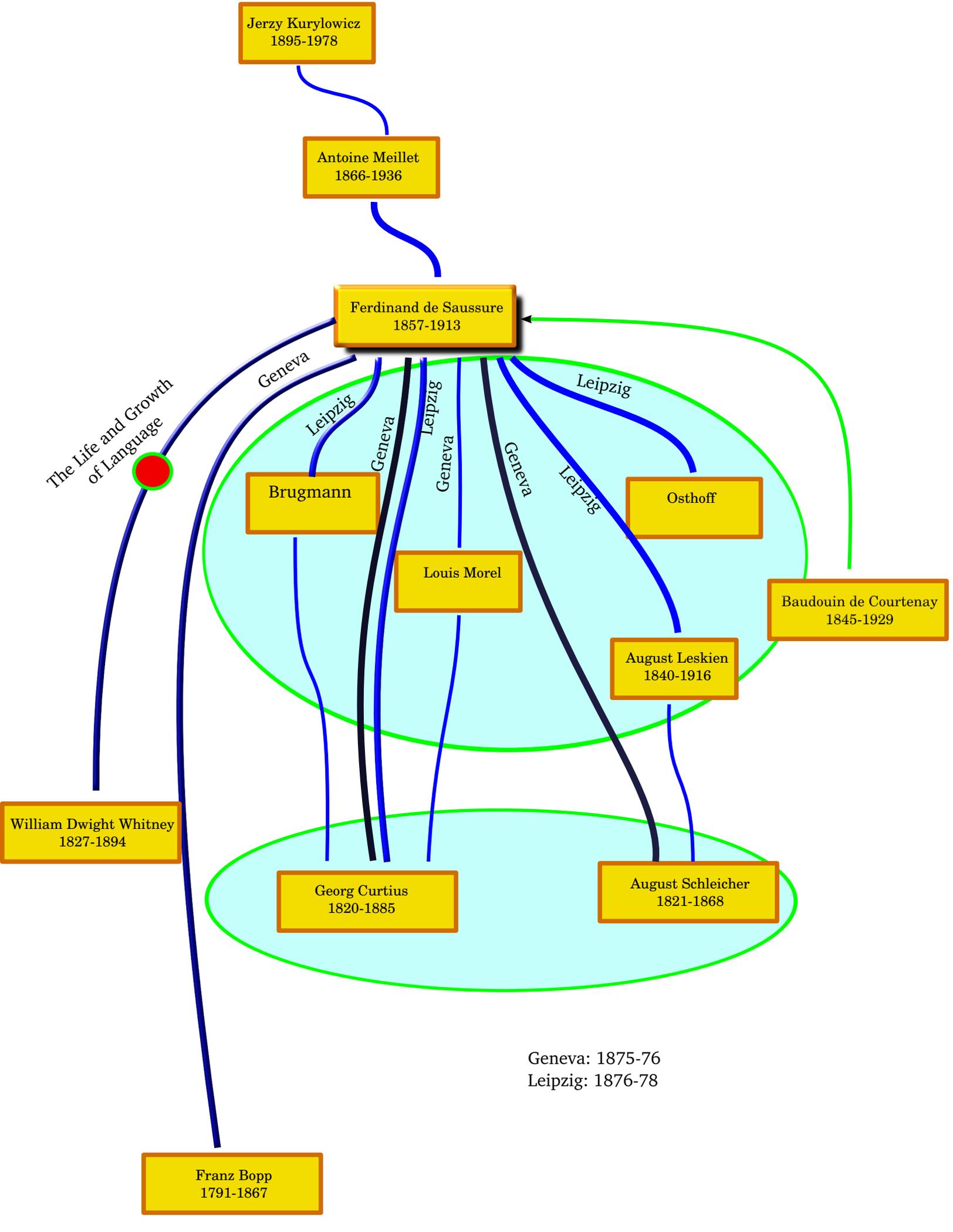
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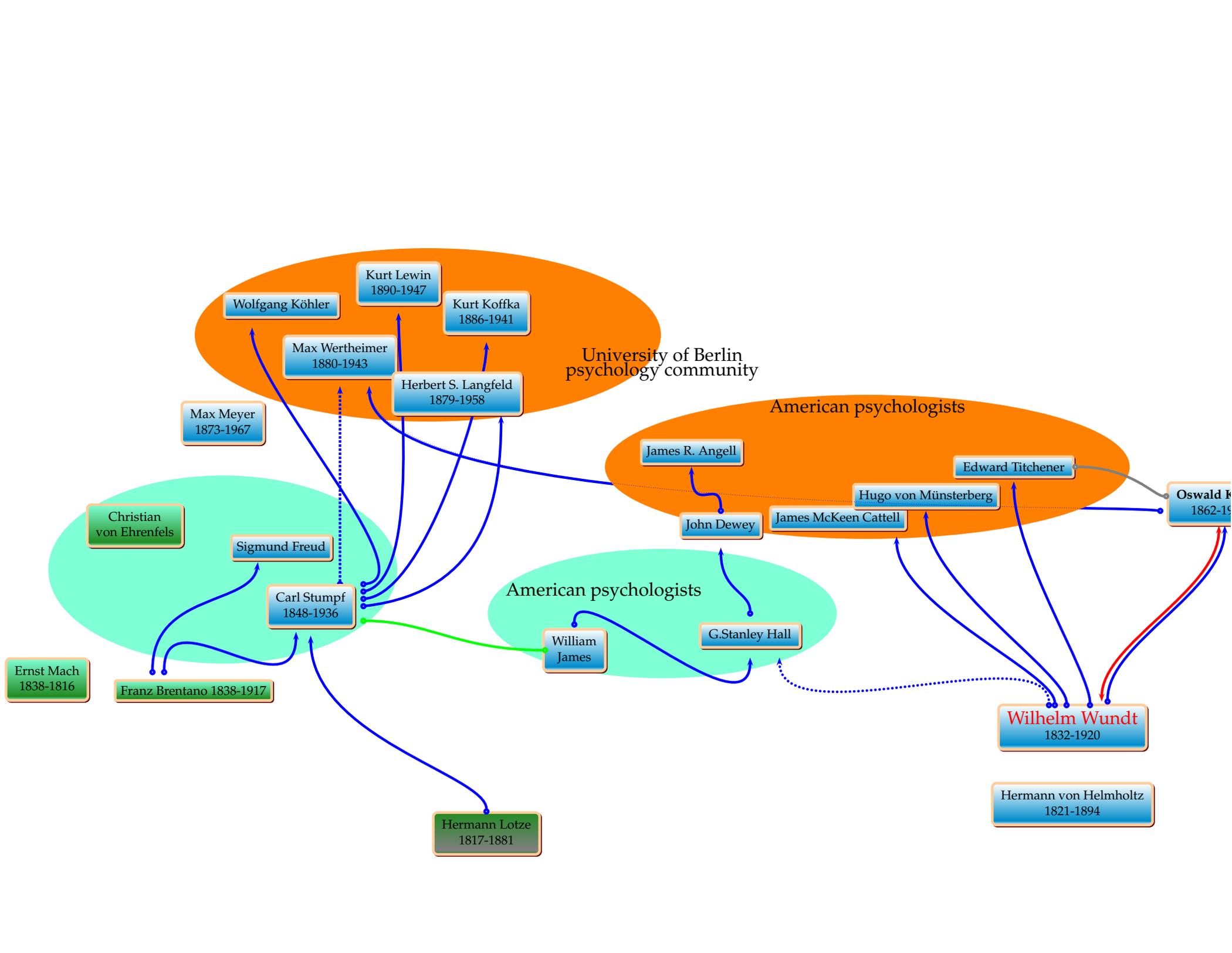
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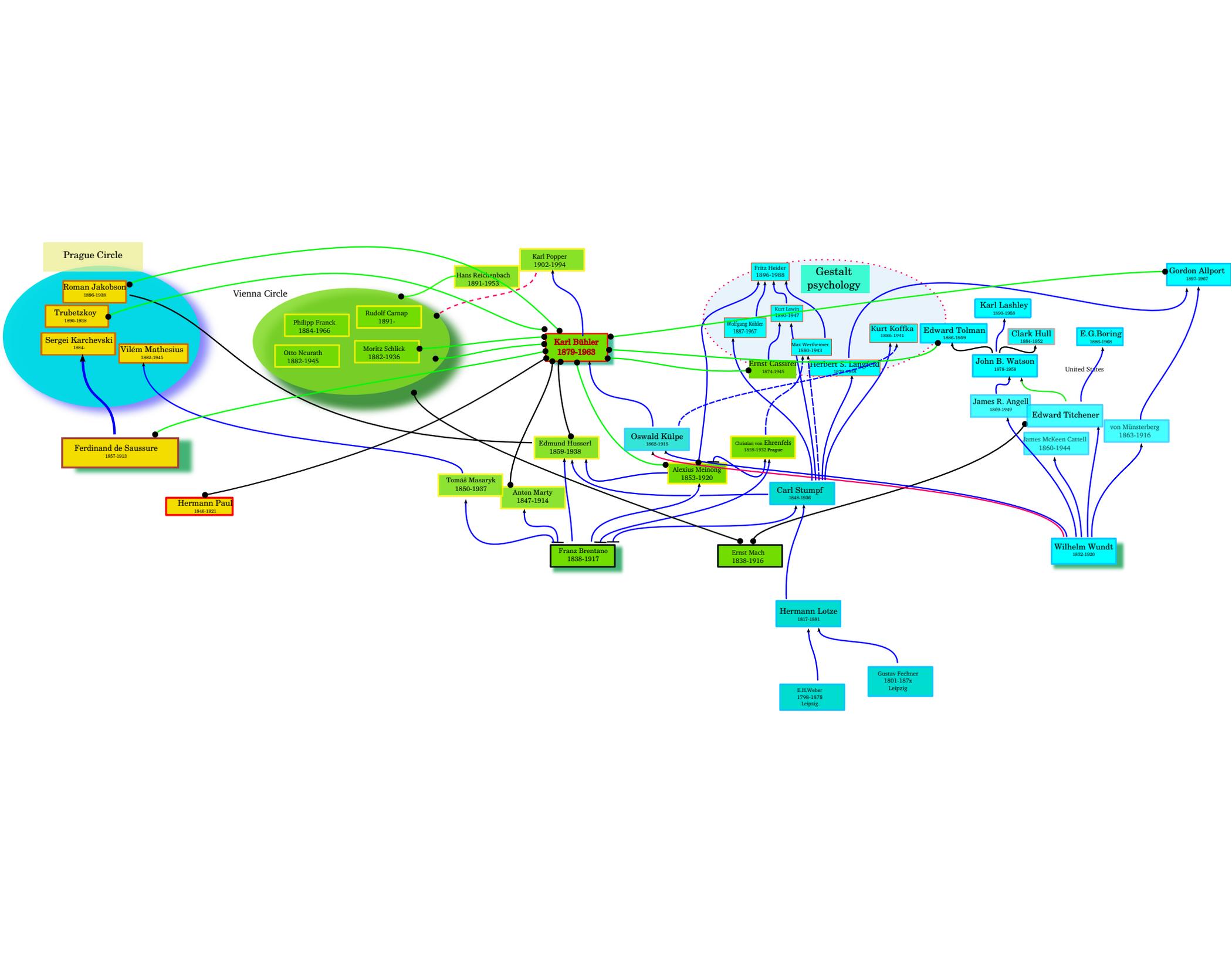
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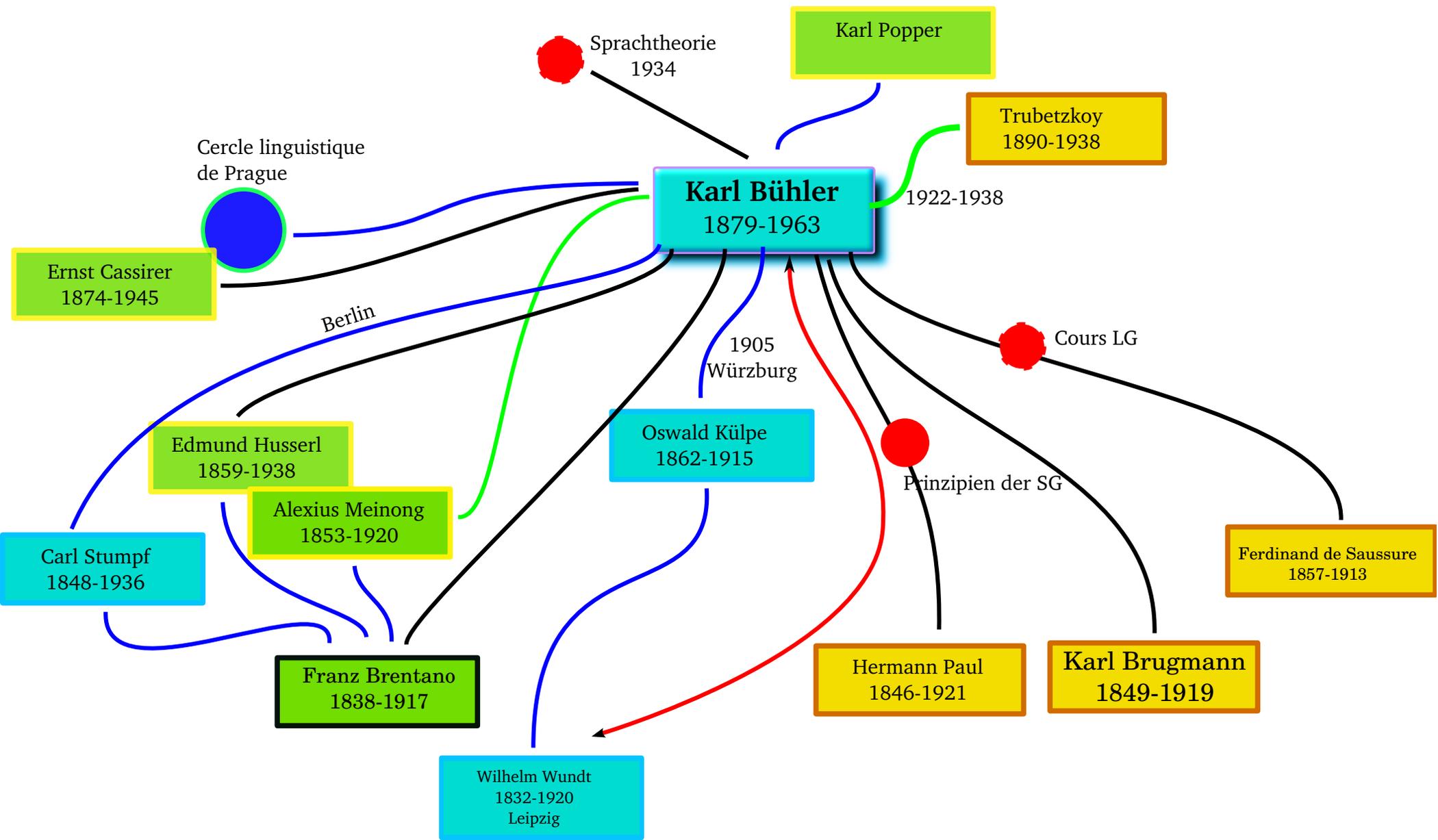
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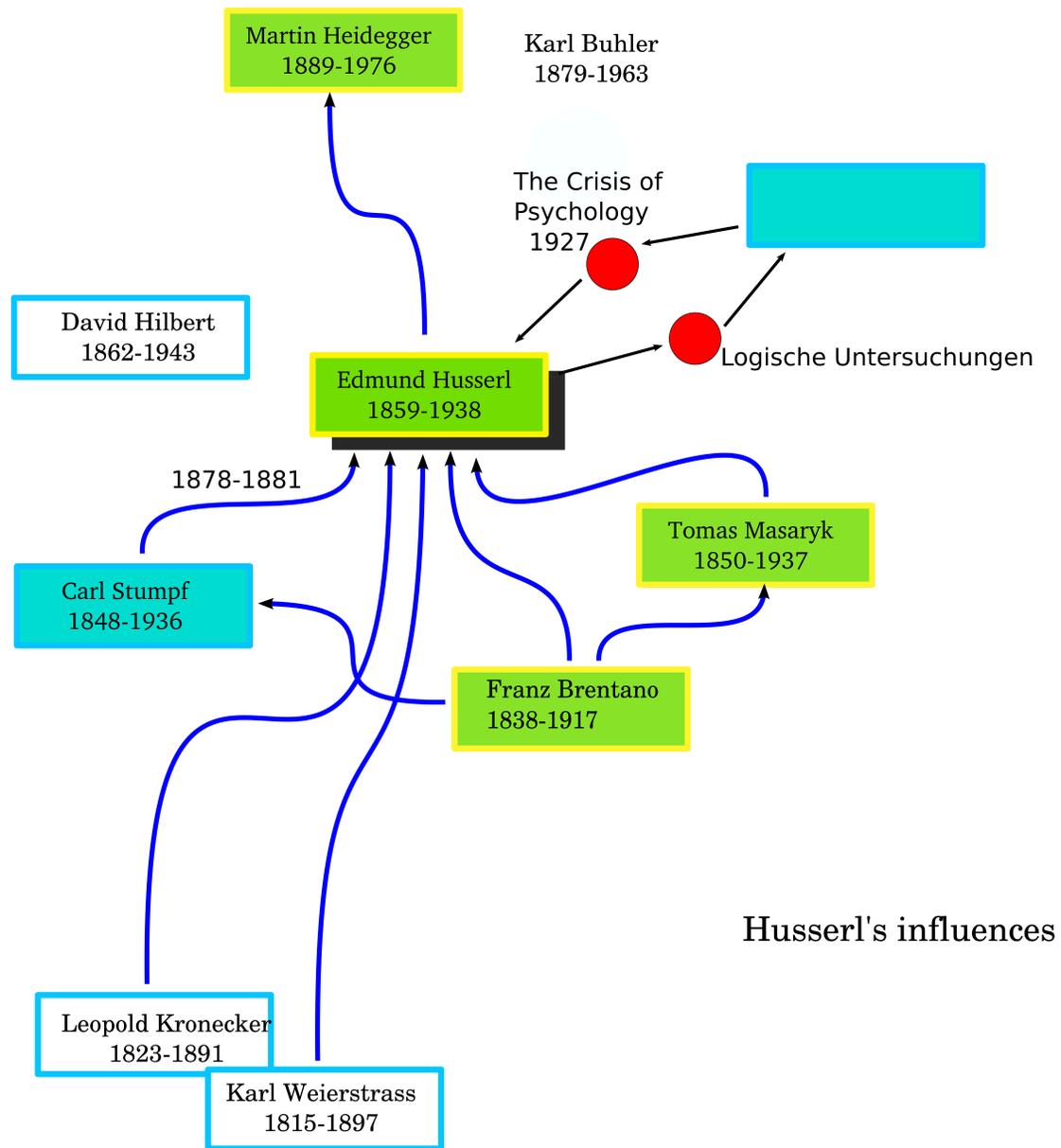
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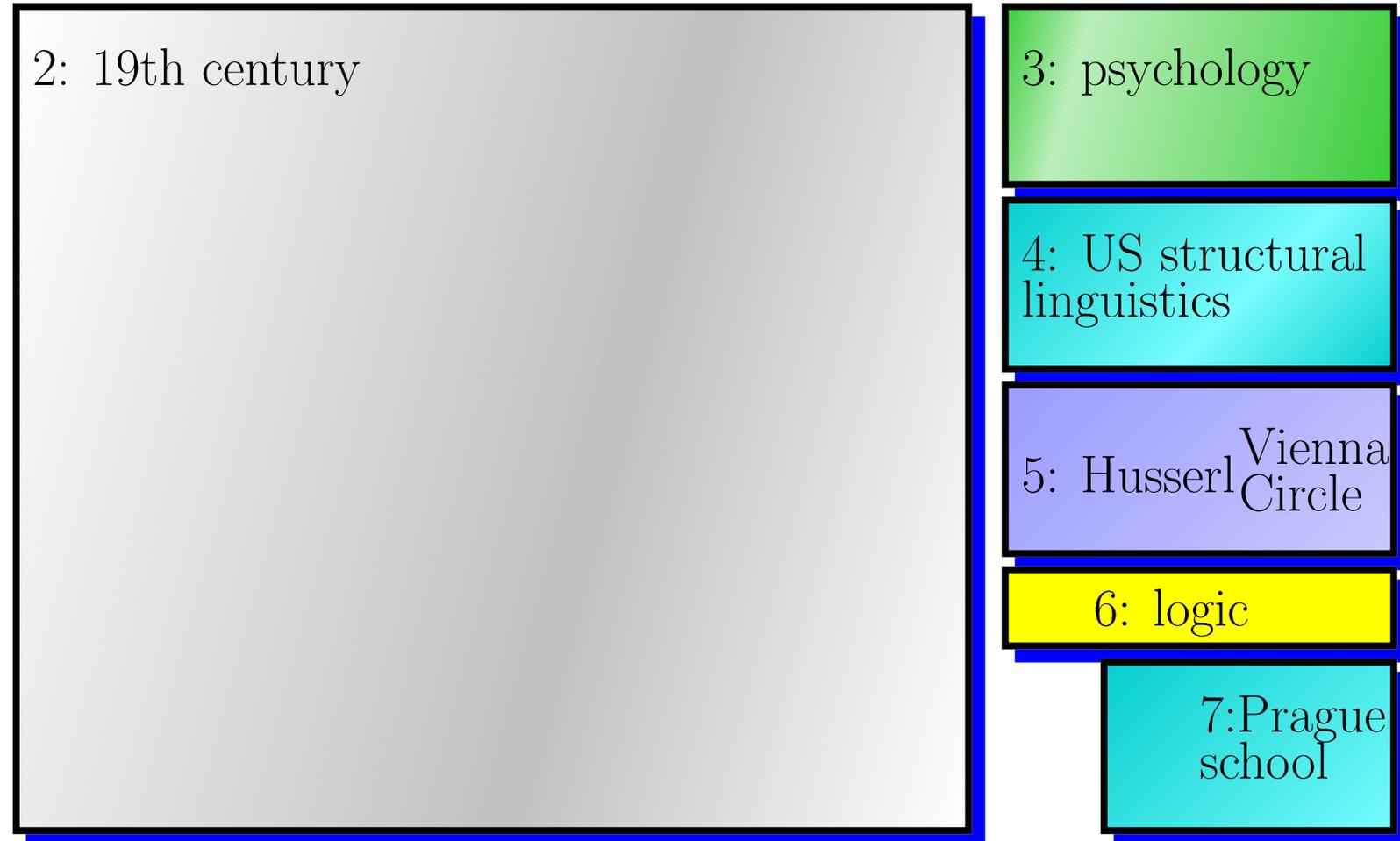
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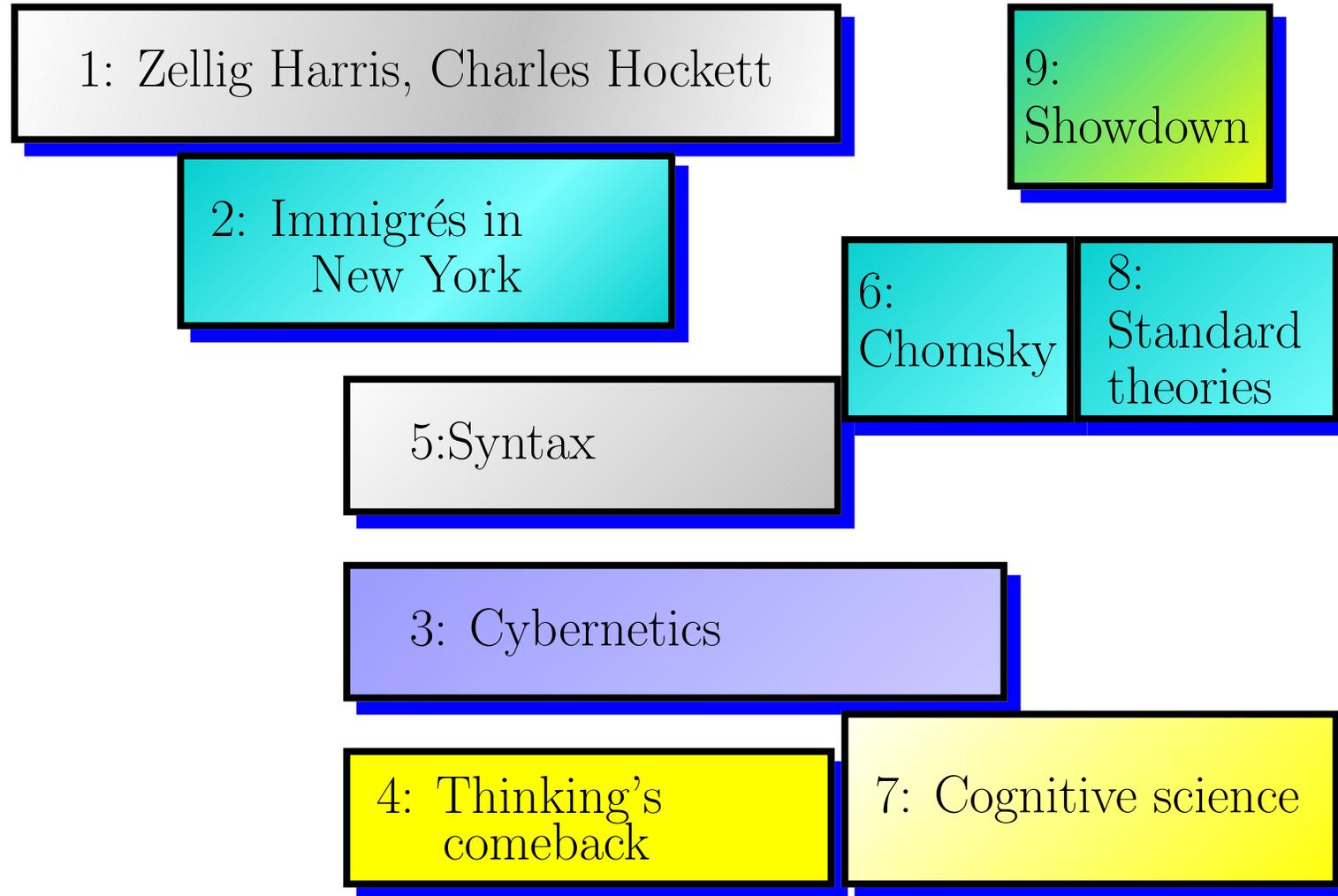
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