

WWW 2017 Tutorial: Semantic Data Management in Practice

Part 1: Introduction

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Querying a Web of Linked Data

Foundations and Query Execution

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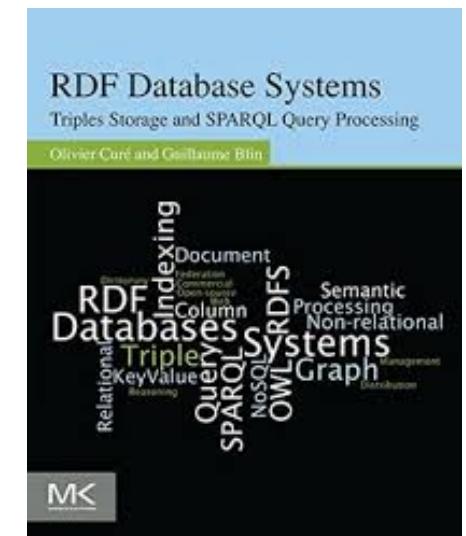
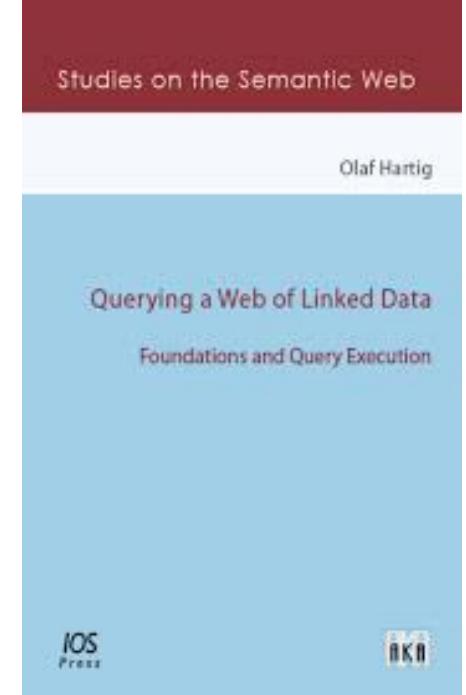
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Semantic Data is in the Air

- Artificial Intelligence strikes back



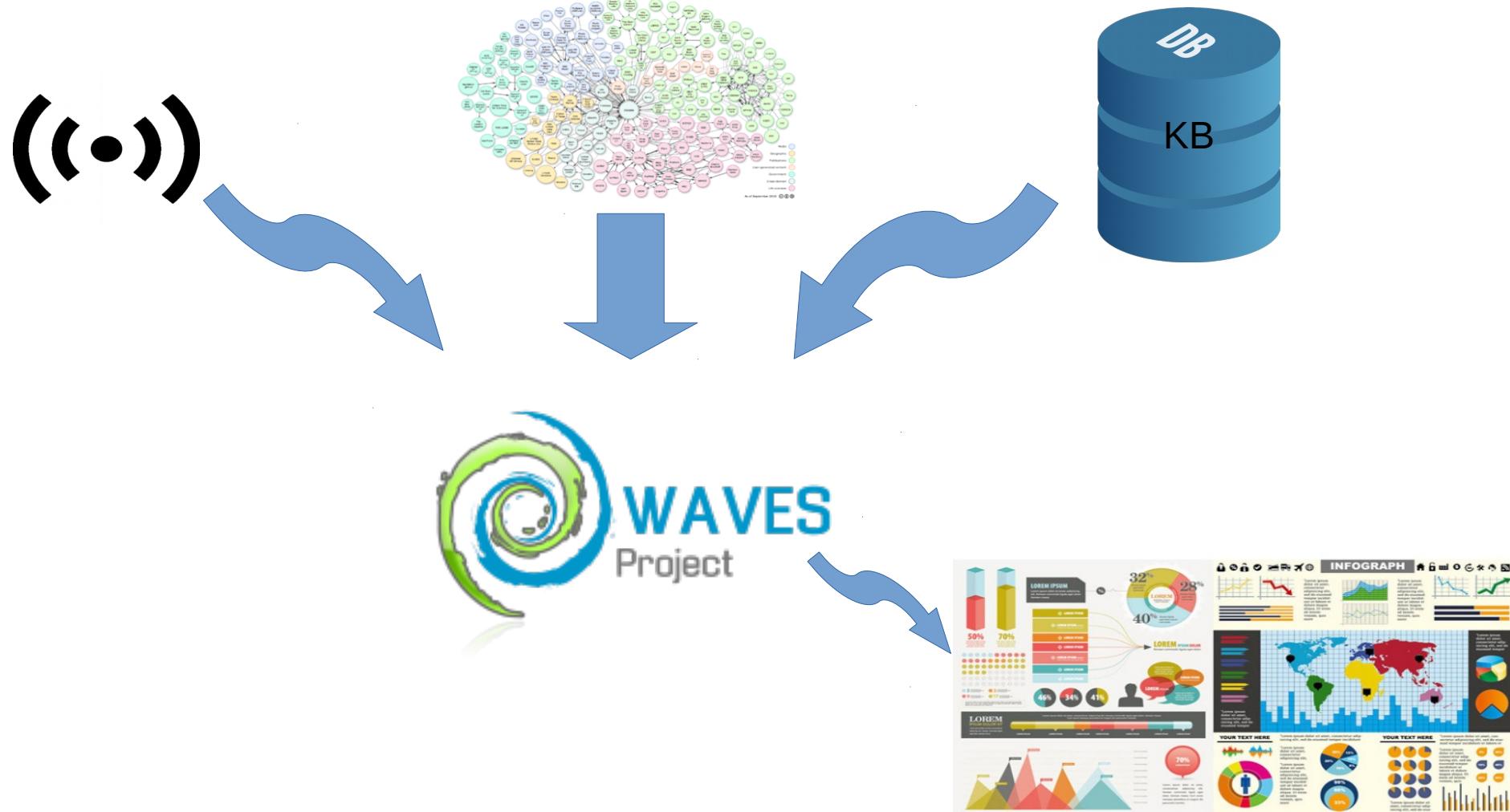
- Big trend is Machine learning but all the discovered models will be handled by Semantic data management tools
- Many initiatives to represent semantic data on the Web, e.g., Schema.org
- A large catalog of linked open data already exists
 - Over 40 billion triples in the Linked Data cloud

Tutorial's Goals

- Provide a practitioner's guide to semantic data management
- We consider 7 inescapable aspects:
 - Storing and querying
 - Understanding the data
 - Searching the data
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The Waves Running Example

- Semantic data management of potable water networks

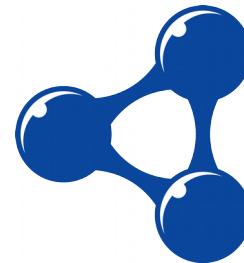


W3C's Semantic Web technologies in a nutshell

RDF Resource Description Framework

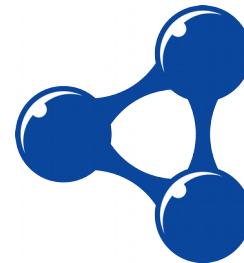
- The most prevalent data approach to represent semantic data and meta-data
- A key component of W3C's Semantic Web stack together with
 - SPARQL
 - A query language for RDF
 - RDFS
 - A light ontology language
 - OWL
 - A family of expressive ontology languages

RDF in a Nutshell (2)



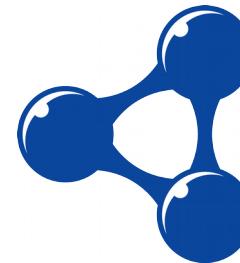
- W3C recommendations in 1999 and 2014 (RDF 1.1)
- A data model for the Web of data based on the notion of triples : (subject, predicate, object)
 - Omnipresence of URIs
 - Several syntaxes available: RDF/XML, JSON-LD, RDFa and Turtle family
- Supports the definition of directed labeled graphs

RDF in a Nutshell (3)



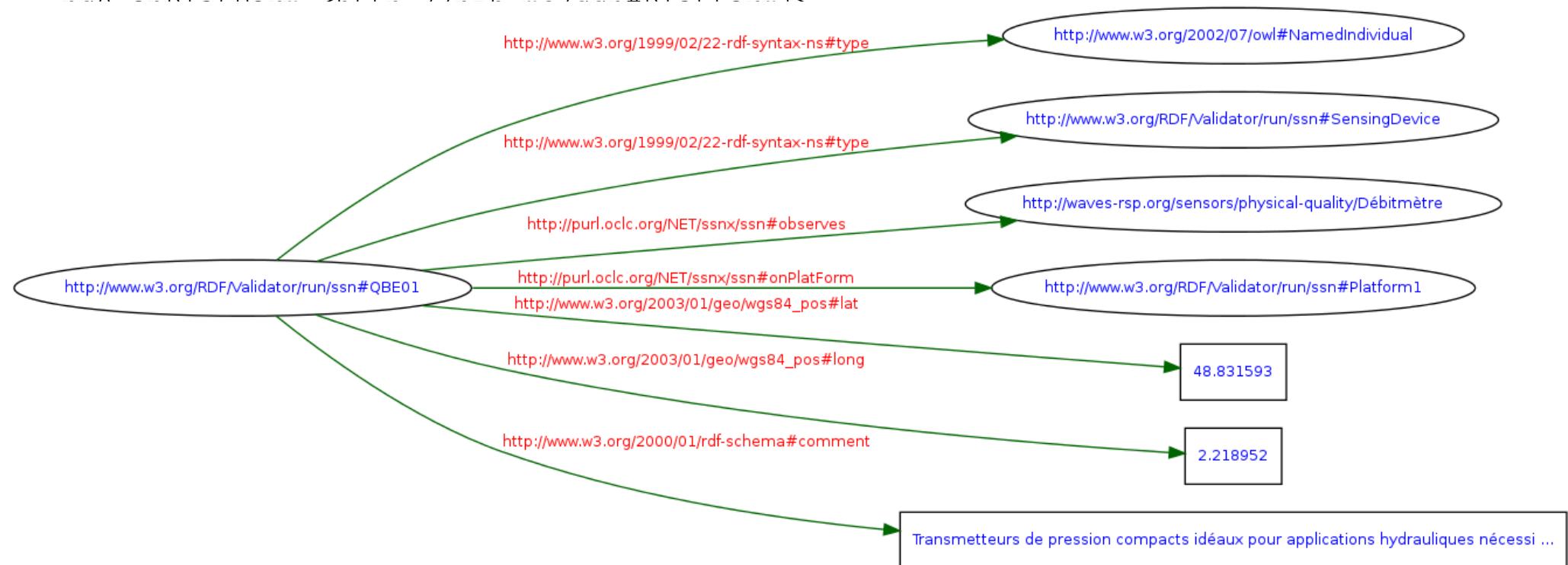
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  ns0:onPlatform <http://njh.me/ssn#Platform1> ;  
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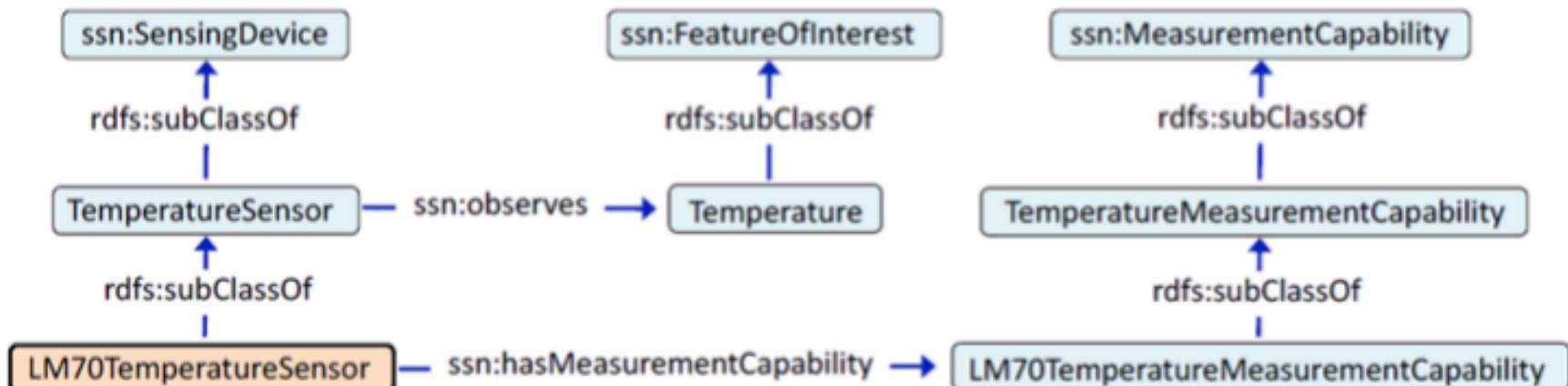
SPARQL

- A query language for RDF data
- Conjunctive queries based on **graph pattern matching**
- Triples that possibly contain variables (prefixed with ? Symbol)
 - Example: retrieve the platform of sensing devices observing flow measurement:

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PREFIX rdf : <http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#>
PREFIX ns0 : <http://purl.oclc.org/NET/ssnx/ssn#>
SELECT ?s ?p
WHERE {
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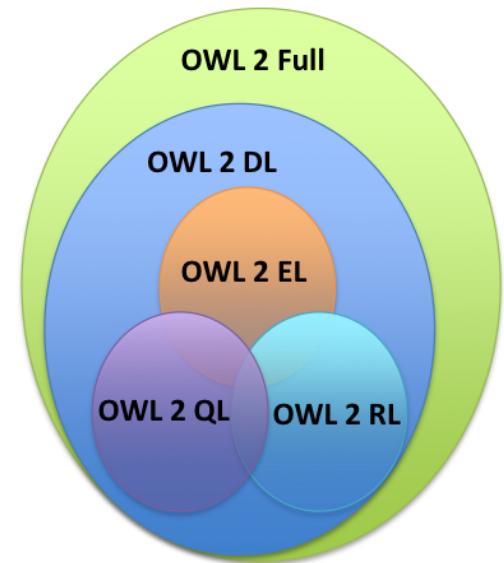
Ontology Languages of the W3C

- For a given domain, an ontology describes a set of concepts and their relationships
- RDF Schema (RDFS) is the language with the lowest expressiveness : sub-classes, sub-properties, domain and range of properties, instance typing



Ontology Languages of the W3C (2)

- OWL (Web Ontology Language) is a family of increasing expressive ontology languages
- Expressiveness comes at a computational cost justifying a trade-off
- OWL2 QL, RL and EL are tractable
- OWL2 DL is not tractable
- OWL2 Full is not decidable



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<http://www.ida.liu.se/research/semanticweb/events/TutorialAtWWW2017.shtml>