Linked Data on the Web

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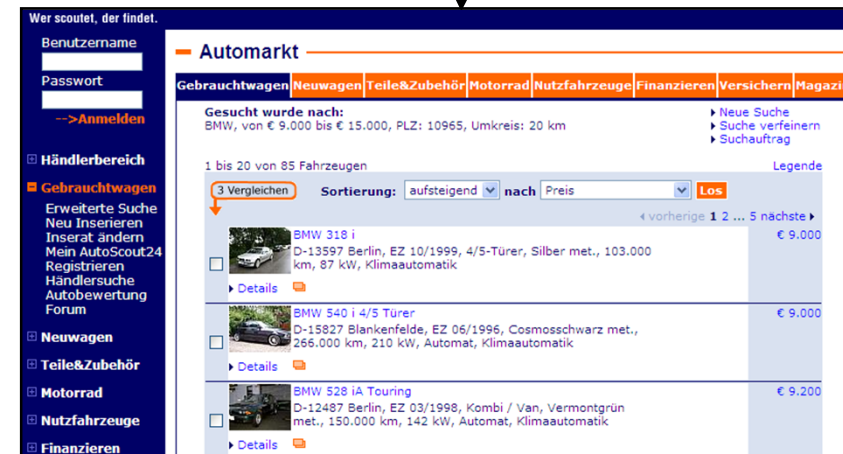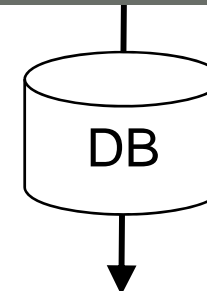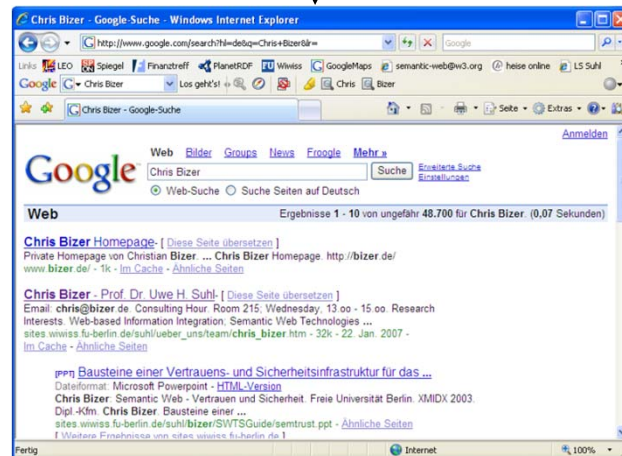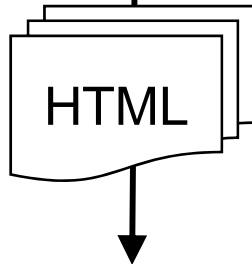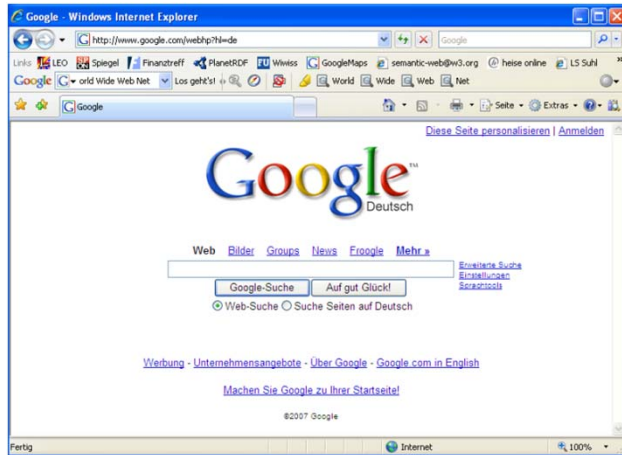- **eMail: chris@informatik.uni-mannheim.de**

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Outline

1. **Foundations of Linked Data**
   - What is the vision and goal?

2. **The Web of Linked Data**
   - What data is out there?

3. **How to publish and consume Linked Data?**
   - Tasks and Tools
   - Sharing the Integration Effort

4. **Alternative Web Data Publication Formats**
   - RDFa, Microdata, Microformats

5. **Challenges involved in using Web Data**

6. **Building Knowledge-intensive Applications**

What does the classic Web offer us?

What do we actually want?
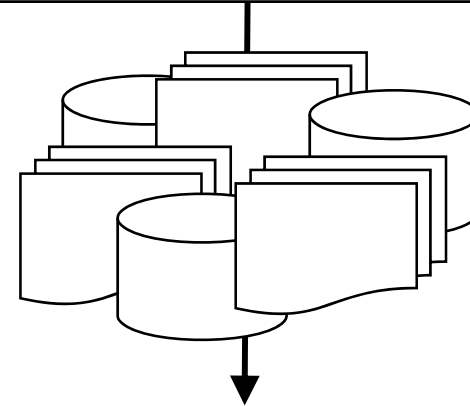
Use the Web like a single, global database

Access to structured Data on the Web

The Classic Document Web

The Web of Data

Web 2.0 APIs

Architecture of the classic Document Web

Single global information space

Small set of simple standards

1. **HTML as document format**

2. **HTTP URLs as**
   - globally unique IDs
   - retrieval mechanism

3. **Hyperlinks to connect everything**

Web Browsers

Search Engines

HTTP

HTML   HTML   HTML

hyper-links

A   B   C

Web 2.0 APIs and Mashups

No single global dataspace

Shortcomings

1. APIs have proprietary interfaces

2. No hyperlinks between data items within different APIs

3. Mashups are based on a fixed set of data sources

Linked Data

Extend the Web with a single global dataspace

1. by using RDF to publish structured data on the Web
2. by setting links between data items within different data sources.

Linked Data

Set of best practices for publishing structured data on the Web in accordance with the general architecture of the Web.

1. Use **URIs** as names for things.

2. Use **HTTP URIs** so that people can look up those names.

3. When someone looks up a URI, provide useful **RDF** information.

4. Include RDF statements that **link** to other URIs so that they can discover related things.

Tim Berners-Lee, http://www.w3.org/DesignIssues/LinkedData.html, 2006

The Basis: RDF Data Model

Flexible graph-based data model.

Data items are identified with HTTP URIs

HTTP URIs take the role of global primary keys.

pd:cygri = http://richard.cyganiak.de/foaf.rdf#cygri
dbpedia:Berlin = http://dbpedia.org/resource/Berlin

Resolving URIs over the Web

The HTTP protocol brings together identification and retrieval again.

Following Links deeper into the Web

Properties of the Web of Linked Data

- **Global, distributed dataspace build on a simple set of standards**
  - RDF, URIs, HTTP

- **Entities are connected by links**
  - creating a global data graph that spans data sources and
  - enables the discovery of new data sources

- **Provides for data-coexistence**
  - Everyone can publish data to the Web of Linked Data
  - Everyone can express their personal view on things

- **The Web of Linked Data can be used by generic applications**
  - Linked Data Browsers
  - Linked Data Search Engines

Disco - Hyperdata Browser (About)

Richard Cyganiak

URI: `http://richard.cyganiak.de/foaf.rdf#cygri` [Go!]

Property	Value	Sources
event	...	G2
type	http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/Person ⊡	G1 G2 G3 G4
seeAlso	http://richard.cyganiak.de/cygri.rdf ⊡	G2
seeAlso	http://richard.cyganiak.de/foaf.rdf ⊡	G3
nearest airport	...	G1
phone	tel:+49-175-5630408 ⊡	G1
sameAs	Richard Cyganiak ⊡	G1
based_near	...	G1
based_near	Berlin ⊡	G1
based_near	http://sws.geonames.org/2950159/ ⊡	G1
currentProject	http://page.mi.fu-berlin.de/~cyganiak/foaf.rdf#StatCvs ⊡	G3
currentProject	http://www.wiwiss.fu-berlin.de/suhl/bizer#d2rq ⊡	G3
depiction		G4
gender	male	G1

Disco - Hyperdata Browser (About)

Berlin

URI: `http://dbpedia.org/resource/city/Berlin` [Go!]

Property	Value	Sources
population	3398888	G2
type	http://dbpedia.org/City	G2
comment	Berlin is the capital city and one of the sixteen Federal States of Germany. It is the country's largest city in area and population, and the second most populous city in the European Union.	G2
comment	Berlin ist die deutsche Bundeshauptstadt und als Stadtstaat ein eigenständiges Land der Bundesrepublik Deutschland. Berlin ist die bevölkerungsreichste und flächengrößte Stadt Deutschlands und nach Einwohnern die zweitgrößte Stadt der EU.	G2
label	Berlin	G2
sameAs	http://sws.geonames.org/2950159/	G2
subject	http://dbpedia.org/resource/category/Berlin	G2
subject	http://dbpedia.org/resource/category/Capitals_in_Europe	G2
subject	http://dbpedia.org/resource/category/Cities_in_Germany	G2
subject	http://dbpedia.org/resource/category/German_state_capitals	G2
subject	http://dbpedia.org/resource/category/Host_cities_of_the_Summer_Olympic_Games	G2
subject	http://dbpedia.org/resource/category/States_of_Germany	G2
sourceURL	Berlin	G1
depiction		G2
page	http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Berlin	G2
is birthplace of	Adolf von Baeyer	G2

Tim Berners-Lee

http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#type	• Person ⬤⬤⬤⬤⬤⬤⬤⬤⬤⬤⬤⬤ • http://www.w3.org/2000/10/swap/pim/contact#Male ⬤⬤
label	• Tim Berners-Lee ⬤⬤⬤⬤
sameAs	• Tim Berners-Lee (also at www4.wiwiss.fu-berlin.de) ⬤⬤
image	⬤⬤
Weblinks	http://www.w3.org/People/Berners-Lee/ ⬤⬤⬤⬤
name	• Tim Berners-Lee ⬤⬤⬤⬤⬤⬤ • Timothy Berners-Lee ⬤⬤⬤⬤ • Tim Berners Lee ⬤
Given name	• Timothy ⬤⬤
family_name	• Berners-Lee ⬤⬤
sha1sum of a personal mailbox URI name	• 965c47c5a70db7407210cef6e4e6f5374a525c5c ⬤⬤⬤
workplace homepage	• http://www.w3.org/ ⬤⬤
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Falcons

Chicago   [Search Objects]

Type

Any type
Abstraction
Agent
Athletic Activity
Bull
Cattle
Concept
Organisation
Person
Physical Entity
Soccer Club
Social Entity
Spatial Thing
Sports Team
Subject
Team

Objects **1 - 10** of **63,109** for your search **Chicago** (1.25 seconds)

Chicago - Begriff
- label: **Chicago**
- type: Begriff

http://www4.wiwiss.fu-berlin.de/bookmashup/subject/**Chicago**

Chicago - City, Community
- label: **Chicago**
- comment: **Chicago** [;] (deutsch: Chikago) ist eine Stadt am Südwestufer des Michigansees im US-Bundesstaat Illino, USA. In der Agglomeration leben 9.443.356 Menschen (2005)"
- sameAs: http://www.rdfabout.com/rdf/usgov/geo/us/il/counties/cook_county/**chicago**
- image:

- type: Community

http://dbpedia.org/resource/**Chicago**

chicago
- Title: **chicago**

http://www.deadjournal.com/interests.bml?int=**chicago**

Chicago Cubs players - Begriff
- label: **Chicago** Cubs players
- bevorzugter Name: **Chicago** Cubs players
- hat Oberbegriff: **Chicago** Cubs field personnel
- hat Oberbegriff: **Chicago** Cubs
- type: Begriff

http://dbpedia.org/resource/Category:**Chicago_Cubs_players**

People from **Chicago** - Begriff
- label: People from **Chicago**
- bevorzugter Name: People from **Chicago**

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Chris Bizer

picture:

[3]　[5]　[16]

given name: Chris [3,5,9,10,16]

family name: Bizer [3,5,9,10,16]

is creator of: DBpedia: A Nucleus for a Web of Open Data | Semantic Web Dog Food [6,18]

http://data.semanticweb.org/conference/eswc/2007/demo-3 [9]

The TriQL.P Browser: Filtering Information using Context-, Content- and Rating-Based Trust Policies. [16]

D2R Server - Publishing Releational Databases on the Semantic Web. [16]

Named Graphs, Provenance and Trust [16]

hide value 🗑 | just this value ● | which sources 🔒 | reject sources ✖ | 🔗 | 6]

RAP: RDF API for PHP [16]

Fresnel: A Browser-Independent Presentation Vocabulary for RDF [16]

NG4J__Named Graphs API for Jena [16]

Tim Berners-Lee ⊠   Knows ⊠   **weblog** ⊠

New Search [Ok]

Detail View   List View   **Table View**   **Timeline View**   🟧**RSS**

next ▶ Results 1 - 10 of 54

Ivan Herman
http://www.ivan-herman.net/🔗
Document   Resource   Document

breadcrumbs
http://dig.csail.mit.edu/breadcrumbs/blog/2🔗
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Ivan's private site
http://ivan-herman.name/🔗
RSS1.0 News Channel   Document   Resource

open source
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Advogato blog for connolly
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Paul Downey
http://blog.whatfettle.com/🔗
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2. Linked Data Deployment on the Web

- **Is this real?**

W3C Linking Open Data Project

■ **Grassroots community effort to**

- publish existing open license datasets as Linked Data on the Web
- interlink things between different data sources

LOD Datasets on the Web: May 2007

As of May 2007

- **Over 500 million RDF triples**
- **Around 120,000 RDF links between data sources**

As of September 2008

LOD Datasets on the Web: November 2011

- **31,6 billion RDF triples**
- **503 million RDF links**

Media
Geographic
Publications
User-generated content
Government
Cross-domain
Life sciences

Distribution by Topical Domain (Nov 2011)

Domain	Data Sets	Triples	Percent	RDF Links	Percent
Media	25	1,841,852,061	5.82 %	50,440,705	10.01 %
Geographic	31	6,145,532,484	19.43 %	35,812,328	7.11 %
Government	49	13,315,009,400	**42.09 %**	19,343,519	3.84 %
Library	**87**	2,950,720,693	9.33 %	139,925,218	**27.76 %**
Cross-domain	41	4,184,635,715	13.23 %	63,183,065	12.54 %
Life sciences	41	3,036,336,004	9.60 %	191,844,090	**38.06 %**
User content	20	134,127,413	0.42 %	3,449,143	0.68 %
SUM	**295**	**31,634,213,770**		**503,998,829**	

More statistics

http://lod-cloud.net/state/

Uptake in the Government Domain

- **The EU is also starting to publish Linked Data**
- **Various other national efforts**

Uptake in Life Sciences

- **W3C Linking Open Drug Data Effort**

- **Bio2RDF Project**

- **Goal:** Smoothly integrate internal and external data in a pay-as-you-go-fashion.

Uptake in the Libraries Community

- **Institutions publishing Linked Data**
  - Library of Congress (subject headings)
  - German National Library (PND dataset and subject headings)
  - Swedish National Library (Libris - catalog)
  - Hungarian National Library (OPAC and Digital Library)
  - Europeana Digital Library just released data about 4 million artifacts

- **Goals:**
  1. Integrate Library Catalogs on global scale.
  2. Interconnect resources between repositories
     (by topic, by location, by historical period, by ...).

Excursus: DBpedia

- **DBpedia is a community effort**
  - **to extract structured information from Wikipedia**
  - **make this data available on the Web under an open license**

- **Contributors**
  - **University of Mannheim (Germany)**
  - **Universität Leipzig (Germany)**
  - **OpenLink Software (UK)**

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OPENLINK SOFTWARE

Structured Data within Wikipedia

Title

Description

Language Links

Geo-Coordinates

Images

Infoboxes

The DBpedia 3.8 Knowledge Base

- **describes 3.77 million things, out of which 2.35 million are classified in a consistent ontology**
  - **764,000 persons**
  - **573,000 places**
  - **192,000 organizations**
  - **112,000 music albums**

- **Altogether 1.89 billion pieces of information (RDF triples)**
  - **8,000,000 links to images**
  - **24,000,000 links to external web pages**
  - **27,200,000 external links into other RDF datasets**

- **DBpedia Internationalization Effort**
  - **provides data from 111 Wikipedia language editions for download**

DBpedia

search powered by neofonie

enter search terms...   **Search**

Deutschland
Land der Ideen

▼ item type

start typing...

Skyscraper (12)
Place (12)
Building (12)

more

▼ location

start typing...

Hong Kong (12)
China (3)
Sham Tseng (1)

more

▼ building started in year

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from...   to...   >

2000 (5)
1977 (1)
1997 (1)

more

▼ building completed in year

Your Filters   Reset Filters✗

Results 7 to 12 of 12

item type Skyscraper✗   **floor count** 50 and up✗   **building completed in year** up to 2000✗   **location** Hong Kong ✗

Highcliff

Highcliff is a 252.4-metre (828-foot) tall skyscraper located on a south slope of Happy Valley on the Hong Kong Island in Hong Kong. The 75 storey (70 floors of which are livable space) building's construction began in 2000 and was completed in 2003 under a design by DLN Architects & Engineers. It was the Silver Winner of the 2003 Emporis Skyscraper Award, coming in second to 30 St Mary Axe in London.

The Harbourside

The Harbourside is a 255 m (836.6 ft) tall residential skyscraper located at 1 Austin Road West, in Union Square complex on Kowloon peninsula. The building is erected on the West Kowloon Reclamation west of Kwun Chung. Construction of the 74 storey building began in 2000 and was completed in 2003 under the design by P & T Architects & Engineers. The building is, in fact, three towers joined at the base, middle

Other Examples of Linked Data Sets

- **Linked Geo Data**
  - **Linked Data version of Open Street Maps**
  - **millions of places**

- **Linked Movie Database**
  - **data about movies, actors and directors**
  - **40,000 films**

- **Music Brainz**
  - **musicians, albums**
  - **22,000 albums, 40,000 musicians**

- **DBLP**
  - **computer science papers**
  - **1.6 million articles**

Questions so far?

3. How to Publish and Consume Linked Data?

Tasks involved in **Publishing Linked Data**:

1. **Make data available as RDF via HTTP**

2. **Set RDF links pointing at other data sources**

3. **Make your data self-descriptive**

■ **Tom Heath and Christian Bizer:**
Linked Data: Evolving the Web into a Global Data Space
http://linkeddatabook.com/

3.1 Make Data available as RDF via HTTP

Ready to use tools (examples)

1. ## D2R Server
   - provides for mapping relational databases into RDF and for serving them as Linked Data

2. ## Pubby
   - Linked Data Frontend for SPARQL Endpoints

3. ## More tools
   - http://esw.w3.org/TaskForces/ CommunityProjects/ LinkingOpenData/PublishingTools

3.2 Set RDF links pointing at other data sources

■ **Examples of RDF links**

```
<http://dbpedia.org/resource/Berlin> owl:sameAs

<http://sws.geonames.org/2950159> .
```

```
<http://example-bookshop.com/book006251587X> owl:sameAs

<http://www4.wiwiss.fu-berlin.de/bookmashup/books/006251587X> .
```

How to generate RDF links?

1. **Pattern-based Approaches**
   - Exploit naming conventions within URIs (for instance ISBNs, Gen IDs, …)

2. **Similarity-based Approaches**
   - Compare items within different data sources using various similarity metrics

Link Generation Tools

- **Silk – Link Discovery Framework**
   - provides a user interface for specifying link conditions which may combine different similarity metrics

- **More tools**
   - http://esw.w3.org/TaskForces/CommunityProjects/LinkingOpenData/EquivalenceMining

A Silk Linkage Rule

3.3 Make your Data Self-Descriptive

- **Increase the usefulness of your data and ease data integration**

- **Aspects of self-descriptiveness**
  1. Enable clients to retrieve the schema
  2. Reuse terms from common vocabularies / ontologies
  3. Publish schema mappings for proprietary terms
  4. Provide provenance metadata
  5. Provide licensing metadata

- **Statistics about the compliance with these best practices**
  - http://lod-cloud.net/state/

Enable Clients to retrieve the Schema

Clients can resolve the URIs that identify vocabulary terms in order to get their RDFS or OWL definitions.

Some data on the Web

```
<http://richard.cyganiak.de/foaf.rdf#cygri>
      foaf:name "Richard Cyganiak" ;
      rdf:type <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/Person> .
```

Resolve unknown term
`http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/Person`

RDFS or OWL definition

```
<http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/Person>
        rdf:type owl:Class ;
        rdfs:label "Person";
        rdfs:subClassOf <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/Agent> ;
        rdfs:subClassOf <http://xmlns.com/wordnet/1.6/Agent> .
```

Reuse Terms from Common Vocabularies

- **Common Vocabularies**
  - **Friend-of-a-Friend** for describing people and their social network
  - **SIOC** for describing forums and blogs
  - **SKOS** for representing topic taxonomies
  - **Organization Ontology** for describing the structure of organizations
  - **GoodRelations** provides terms for describing products and business entities
  - **Music Ontology** for describing artists, albums, and performances
  - **Review Vocabulary** provides terms for representing reviews

- **Common sources of identifiers (URIs) for real world objects**
  - **LinkedGeoData** and **Geonames** locations
  - **GeneID** and **UniProt** life science identifiers
  - **DBpedia** wide range of things

Usage of Common Vocabularies in the LOD Cloud

- **Some terms from non-proprietary vocabularies:**
  191 (64.75 %) of the 295 sources

- **Only proprietary vocabularies:**
  104 (35.25 %) of the 295 sources

- **Common Vocabularies**

dc	92 (31.19 %)
foaf	81 (27.46 %)
skos	58 (19.66 %)
geo	25 (8.47 %)
akt	17 (5.76 %)
bibo	14 (4.75 %)
mo	13 (4.41 %)
vcard	10 (3.39 %)
sioc	10 (3.39 %)
cc	8 (2.71 %)

Publish Schema Mappings on the Web

```
<http://dbpedia.org/ontology/Person>
owl:equivalentClass
<http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/Person> .
```

- **Terms for representing correspondences**
  - owl:equivalentClass, owl:equivalentProperty,
  - rdfs:subClassOf, rdfs:subPropertyOf
  - skos:broadMatch, skos:narrowMatch

Deployment of Vocabulary Links

Vocabulary links:

Vocabularies referencing "foaf" (119)   Vocabularies referenced by "mo" (17)

**Source: Linked Open Vocabularies,
http://labs.mondeca.com/dataset/lov**

Link types

Similar to	
Used by	
Relies on	
Metadata vocabulary	
Extends	
Specializes	
Generalizes	
Has equivalences with	
Has disjunctions with	

3.3 Tasks involved in Consuming Linked Data

LDspider

- **Flexible open-source Linked Data crawler**

- **Crawls RDF/XML and RDFa**

- **https://code.google.com/p/ldspider/**

R2R Framework

- **Tool for translating RDF data between different vocabularies**

- **http://wifo5-03.informatik.uni-mannheim.de/bizer/r2r/**

- **Alternative:**
  Use SPARQL Construct
  queries to translate data

Silk Server

- **Add missing links while consuming Linked Data**
- **Designed to work together with LDspider**

Sieve Framework and WIQA Browser

- **Sieve Framework**
  - Allows you to filter Web data using different data quality assessment policies
  - Allows you to fuse data from different sources
  - http://sieve.wbsg.de/

- **WIQA Browser**
  - Enables you to interactively employ different quality assessment policies
  - Produces explanations about filtering decisions
  - http://wifo5-03.informatik.uni-mannheim.de/bizer/wiqa/browser/

The WIQA Browser

WIQA Browser - Mozilla Firefox

Datei Bearbeiten Ansicht Gehe Lesezeichen Extras Hilfe

http://127.0.0.1:1978/piggy-bank/e1eb9ba7fe10653332021055d7562c83/default?command=browse&policyURI=Information+from+German+analysts&-=%40lwq.project.Proj   Go

[WIQA Browser]

WIQA Browser
19.07.2006 14:35:50

1 filter criterion

- **is a:** Share (remove) [add more]

Order   Commands

2 items
sorted by **name** [A to Z]

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is a	ⓘ 🔍 Share
positive analyst report	ⓘ Siemens agrees partnership with Novell un... of German technology conglomerate Siemens ... (nasdaq: NOVL - news - people) newly acquire... can be freely copied and modified, unlike prop... people) Windows. In the past months clients h... said in a statement which said SUSE would ha... information technology service providers. Lin... is now seen as the only serious rival to Window... Machines (nyse: IBM - news - people), among ... government departments, argue it is cheaper ...

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| **negative analyst report** | ⓘ Intel investiert Milliarden in Werks-Modernisierung. Der weltgroesste Chiphersteller Intel will nach Firmenangaben mit milliardenschweren Investitionen seine aelteren Werke modernisieren, um ihnen die Fertigung kleinerer Microprozessoren zu ermoeglichen. Ziel ist die Umstellung aelterer Anlagen auf die Produktion von 65-Nanometer- von 90-Nanometer-Chips. Der Konzern befinde sich mitten in einem Modernisierungsprogramm ueber fuenf Mrd. Dollar, sagte Intel-Chef Craig Barret am Sonntag zum 30. Jahrestag der Taetigkeit von Intel in Israel. Die aelteren Anlagen sollen auf die Produktion von 65-Nanometer- von 90-Nanometer-Chips (ein Nanometer ist ein Millionstel Millimeter) umgestellt werden. Wir haben eine Menge 65-Nanometer-Investitionen. Dafuer geht der groesste Teil der Aufwendungen von 5 Mrd. $ drauf, sagte Barret. Er verwies dazu insbesondere auf die US-Werke in Phoenix, Portland und Oregon sowie die Anlage in Irland. In zwei Jahren seien noch kleinere Halbleiter moeglich, sagte er. Im zweiten Halbjahr 2007 sollte es die 45-Nanometer- Technologie geben, erklaerte Barret. Er lehnte es jedoch ab, sich zu den Finanzergebnissen des Konzerns zu aendern. Er sagte lediglich, das Geschaeft wachse weltweit. Kraeftiges Wachstum sei in den Schwellenlaendern zu verzeichnen. |

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Explanation - Mozilla Firefox

EXPLANATION
WIQA Browser

The Triple:

Siemens Share positive analyst report Siemens agrees partnership with Novell unit SUSE. Siemens Business Services (SBS), the IT services arm of German technology conglomerate Siemens <SIEGn.DE>, said on Tuesday it had agreed a partnerhip deal with Novell's (nasdaq: NOVL - news - people) newly acquired unit SUSE Linux. Linux software is open-source, meaning it can be freely copied and modified, unlike proprietary software such as Microsoft (nasdaq: MSFT - news - people) Windows. In the past months clients have been asking more and more for open-source platforms, SBS said in a statement which said SUSE would have premier partner status. SBS is one of Europe's top 10 information technology service providers. Linux, once the exclusive province of a few dedicated enthusiasts, is now seen as the only serious rival to Windows and is supported by U.S. giant International Business Machines (nyse: IBM - news - people), among others. Its advocates, who include big businesses and government departments, argue it is cheaper, simpler and more secure than Windows.

fulfils the policy:

Use only information which has been asserted by German analysts.

because:

- it is stated in the document **Information from Peter Smith**, which is asserted by the German analyst **Peter Smith**.

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Naive Reasoning on Web Data does not work!

- **Experiment: Naive RDF Schema reasoning on DBpedia data**
  - What are the rdf:types of dbpedia:Germany?
  - Results: <u>Place</u>, Award, <u>Populated Place</u>, City, SportsTeam, Mountain, Agent, Organisation, <u>Country</u>, Stadium, RecordLabel, MilitaryUnit, Company, EducationalInstitution, PersonFunction, EthnicGroup, Architect, WineRegion, Language, MilitaryConflict, Settlement, RouteOfTransportation

- **What is going on here?**
  - DBpedia data is noisy as it was produced by many different people
  - With naïve reasoning one wrong statement is enough for a wrong conclusion
  - Germany example: 38,000 statements, 20 wrong types from 20 wrong statements (error rate of 0.05%)

- **Conclusion**
  - Always assess the quality of Web data before applying any reasoning
  - Alternatively use robust reasoning methods
    (for instance: Paulheim/Bizer: Type inference on noisy RDF data. ISWC 2013)

The Dataspace Vision

Alternative to classic data integration systems in order to cope with growing number of data sources.

- **Properties of dataspaces**
  - provide for data-coexistence
  - require no upfront investment into a global schema
  - give best effort answers to queries
  - rely on pay-as-you-go data integration

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Madhavan, J., et al.: Web-scale Data Integration: You Can Only Afford to Pay As You Go, CIDR 2007

Linked Data relies on the Pay-as-You-Go Idea

- **for Identity Management**

- **for Schema/Vocabulary Management**

Providing Integration Hints

- **by publishing Identity Links on the Web**

Identity Link

```
<http://www4.wiwiss.fu-berlin.de/is-group/resource/persons/Person4>
owl:sameAs
<http://dblp.l3s.de/d2r/resource/authors/Christian_Bizer> .
```

- **You publish links pointing at other data sources.**

- **Somebody else publishes links pointing at your data source.**

Effort Distribution between Publisher and Consumer

Consumer data mines identity links

Effort Distribution

Publishers or third parties provides identity links

Application Layer — Application Code

SPARQL

Data Access, Integration and Storage Layer — Web Data Access Module → Vocabulary Mapping Module → Identity Resolution Module → Quality Evaluation Module → Integrated Web Data

HTTP

Web of Linked Data

Publication Layer — HTTP   HTTP   HTTP

LD Wrapper   LD Wrapper   RDFa   RDF/XML

Database A   Database B   Legacy App C

Providing Integration Hints

■ **by publishing Vocabulary Links on the Web**

Vocabulary Link

```
<http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/Person>

owl:equivalentClass

<http://dbpedia.org/ontology/Person> .
```

■ **Terms for expressing Correspondences**

- owl:equivalentClass, owl:equivalentProperty
- rdfs:subClassOf, rdfs:subPropertyOf

Effort Distribution between Publisher and Consumer

Consumer defines or data mines mappings

Effort Distribution

Publisher reuses vocabularies

Publisher or third party publishes mappings

Application Layer

Application Code

SPARQL

Data Access, Integration and Storage Layer

Web Data Access Module

Vocabulary Mapping Module

Identity Resolution Module

Quality Evaluation Module

Integrated Web Data

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Somebody-Pays-As-You-Go

The overall data integration effort is **split** between the data publisher, the data consumer and third parties.

- **Data Publisher**
  - publishes data as RDF
  - sets identity links
  - reuses terms or publishes mappings

- **Third Parties**
  - set identity links pointing at your data
  - publish mappings to the Web

- **Data Consumer**
  - has to do the rest
  - using record linkage and schema matching techniques

Fix Overall Data Integration Effort

Publisher's Effort

Third Party Effort

Consumer's Effort

More and more Websites semantically markup the content of their HTML pages.

Microformats

RDFa

Microdata

Microformats

- **Microformat effort dates back to 2003**

- **Small set of fixed formats**
  - hcard : people, companies, organizations, and places
  - XFN : relationships between people
  - hCalendar : calendaring and events
  - hListing : small-ads; classifieds
  - hReview : reviews of products, businesses, events

- **Shortcoming of Microformats**
  - can not represent any kind of data.

- **indexed by Google and Yahoo since 2009**

RDFa

- **serialization format for embedding RDF data into HTML pages**

- **proposed in 2004, W3C Recommendation in 2008**

- **can be used together with any vocabulary**

- **can assign URIs as global primary keys to entities**

```
1 <html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml"
2     xmlns:rdf="http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#"
3     xmlns:foaf="http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/">
4 ...
5   <div about="http://example.com/Peter" typeof="foaf:Person">
6   <span property="foaf:name">Peter Smith</span> knows
7   <a rel="foaf:knows" href="http://example.com/Paula">Paula
        Jones</a>.
8 </div>
9 ...
```

Open Graph Protocol

- **allows site owners to determine how entities are described in Facebook**

- **relies on RDFa for encoding data in HTML pages**

- **available since April 2010**

Microdata

HTML5

- **alternative technique for embedding structured data**

- **proposed in 2009 by WHATWG as part of HTML5 work**

- **tries to be simpler than RDFa (5 new attributes instead of 8)**

- **W3C currently tries to reconcile the two alternative proposals**

```
1 <div itemscope itemtype="http://schema.org/Person" itemid="http
     ://example.com/Peter">
2  <span itemprop="name">Peter Smith</span>
3  <a href="http://example.com/Paula" itemprop="knows">Paula Jones
     </a>
4 </div>
```

Schema.org

Thing > Organization > LocalBusiness

A particular physical business or branch of an organization. Examples of LocalBusiness include a restaurant, a particular branch of a restaurant chain, a branch of a bank, a medical practice, a club, a bowling alley, etc.

Property	Expected Type	Description
Properties from Thing		
description	Text	A short description of the item.
image	URL	URL of an image of the item.
name	Text	The name of the item.
url	URL	URL of the item.
Properties from Place		
address	PostalAddress	Physical address of the item.
aggregateRating	AggregateRating	The overall rating, based on a collection of reviews or ratings, of the item.
containedIn	Place	The basic containment relation between places.

- **ask site owners to embed data to enrich search results.**

- **200+ Types: Event, Organization, Person, Place, Product, Review**

- **Encoding: Microdata or alternatively RDFa**

Usage of Schema.org Data @ Google

The Fillmore - Western Addition/NOPA - San Francisco, CA
★★★★★ 752 reviews - Price range: $$
752 Reviews of The Fillmore "Last night we went to see Chris Isaak and it was our first time at the Fillmore. We could not have been any more delighted with ...
www.yelp.com/biz/the-fillmore-san-francisco - United States - Cached - Similar

The Fillmore San Francisco - The Fillmore Schedule | Eventful
View The Fillmore's upcoming event schedule and profile - San Francisco, CA. The Fillmore, also known as Fillmore Auditorium, is located in San ...
The Radiators - Farewell Tour! - 100th GAMH show!   Fri, Jan 7
3 NIGHTS! - An Evening With - Dark Star Orchestra   Fri, Jan 7
Bird by Bird - The Soft White Sixties - The Trophy Fire ...   Fri, Jan 7
eventful.com › San Francisco venues - Cached - Similar

Data snippets within search results

Movies for San Francisco, CA

The Hunger Games		2hr 22min	PG-13	Action	Trailer
21 Jump Street	★★★★★ 3 reviews	1hr 49min	R	Action	Trailer
Dr. Seuss' The Lorax	★★★★★ 43 reviews	1hr 35min	PG	Animation	Trailer
Dr. Seuss' The ...	★★★★★ 43 reviews	1hr 35min	PG	Animation	Trailer
John Carter	★★★★★ 11 reviews	2hr 19min	PG-13	Action	Trailer
Act of Valor	★★★★★ 42 reviews	1hr 51min	R	Action	

+ Show more movies

Data tables within search results

Catherine Zeta-Jones date of birth — 25 September 1969 - Feedback
According to wikipedia.org, imdb.com, talktalk.co.uk and 4 others - ➕ Show sources

Answers to fact queries

Web Data Commons

- **WebDataCommons.org Project**
  - extracts all Microformat, Microdata, RDFa data from the Common Crawl
  - provides the extracted data for free download

- **Two extractions runs**
  - 2009/2010 CC Corpus: 2.5 billion HTML pages → 5.1 billion RDF triples
  - 2012 CC Corpus: 3.0 billion HTML pages → 7.3 billion RDF triples

- **Jointed project of**

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Websites containing Structured Data (CC 2012)

369 million of the 3 billion pages contain Microformat, Microdata or RDFa data (12.3%).

2.29 million websites (PLDs) out of 40.6 million provide Microformat, Microdata or RDFa data (5.65%)

RDFa Topics (CC 2012)

- **Top Classes:**

- **Topics**
  - CMS and Blog metadata
  - Product data
  - Ratings
  - Company listings

	Class	PLDs Total #	PLDs Total %	PLDs in Alexa #	PLDs in Alexa %
1	og:"article"	183,046	35.24	17,002	30.29
2	og:"blog"	58,971	11.35	5,820	10.37
3	og:"website"	56,573	10.89	9,533	16.98
4	foaf:Document	49,252	9.48	2,802	4.99
5	foaf:Image	44,644	8.60	2,794	4.98
6	sioc:Item	33,141	6.38	2,188	3.90
7	sioc:UserAccount	19,331	3.72	1,327	2.36
8	og:"product"	19,107	3.68	3,389	6.04
9	skos:Concept	13,477	2.59	1,135	2.02
10	dv:Breadcrumb	9,054	1.74	2,123	3.78
11	sioc:Post	6,994	1.35	691	1.23
12	og:"company"	6,758	1.30	1,067	1.90
13	dv:Review-aggregate	6,236	1.20	1,410	2.51
14	dv:Rating	4,139	0.80	845	1.51
15	sioct:BlogPost	3,936	0.76	308	0.55
16	sioct:Comment	3,339	0.64	456	0.81
17	og:"activity"	3,303	0.64	606	1.08
18	vcard:Address	3,167	0.61	401	0.71
19	gr:BusinessEntity	3,155	0.61	392	0.70
20	dv:Organization	2,502	0.48	367	0.65

og = Facebook's Open Graph Protocol

Microdata Topics (CC 2012)

- **Top Classes:**

- **Topics**
  - CMS and Blog metadata
  - Navigational metadata
  - Products and offers
  - Business listings
  - Ratings

datavoc = Google's
Rich Snippet Vocabulary
schema = Schema.org

	Class	PLDs Total #	PLDs Total %	PLDs in Alexa #	PLDs in Alexa %
1	schema:BlogPosting	25,235	17.98	1,502	6.63
2	datavoc:Breadcrumb	21,729	15.49	5,244	23.13
3	schema:PostalAddress	19,592	13.96	1,404	6.19
4	schema:Product	16,612	11.84	3,038	13.40
5	schema:LocalBusiness	16,383	11.68	845	3.73
6	schema:Article	15,718	11.20	3,025	13.35
7	datavoc:Review-aggregate	8,517	6.07	2,376	10.48
8	schema:Offer	8,456	6.03	1,474	6.50
9	datavoc:Rating	7,711	5.50	1,726	7.61
10	schema:AggregateRating	7,029	5.01	1,791	7.90
11	schema:Organization	7,011	5.00	1,270	5.60
12	datavoc:Product	6,770	4.82	1,156	5.10
13	schema:WebPage	6,678	4.76	2,112	9.32
14	datavoc:Organization	5,853	4.17	654	2.89
15	datavoc:Address	5,559	3.96	654	2.89
16	schema:Person	5,237	3.73	890	3.93
17	schema:GeoCoordinates	4,677	3.33	312	1.38
18	schema:Place	4,131	2.94	488	2.15
19	schema:Event	4,102	2.92	659	2.91
20	datavoc:Person	2,877	2.05	523	2.31
21	datavoc:Review	2,816	2.01	783	3.45

Microformats

- **Top Classes:**

- **Topics**
  - **Persons**
  - **Organisations**
  - **Events**
  - **Listings and Reviews**
  - **Recipes**

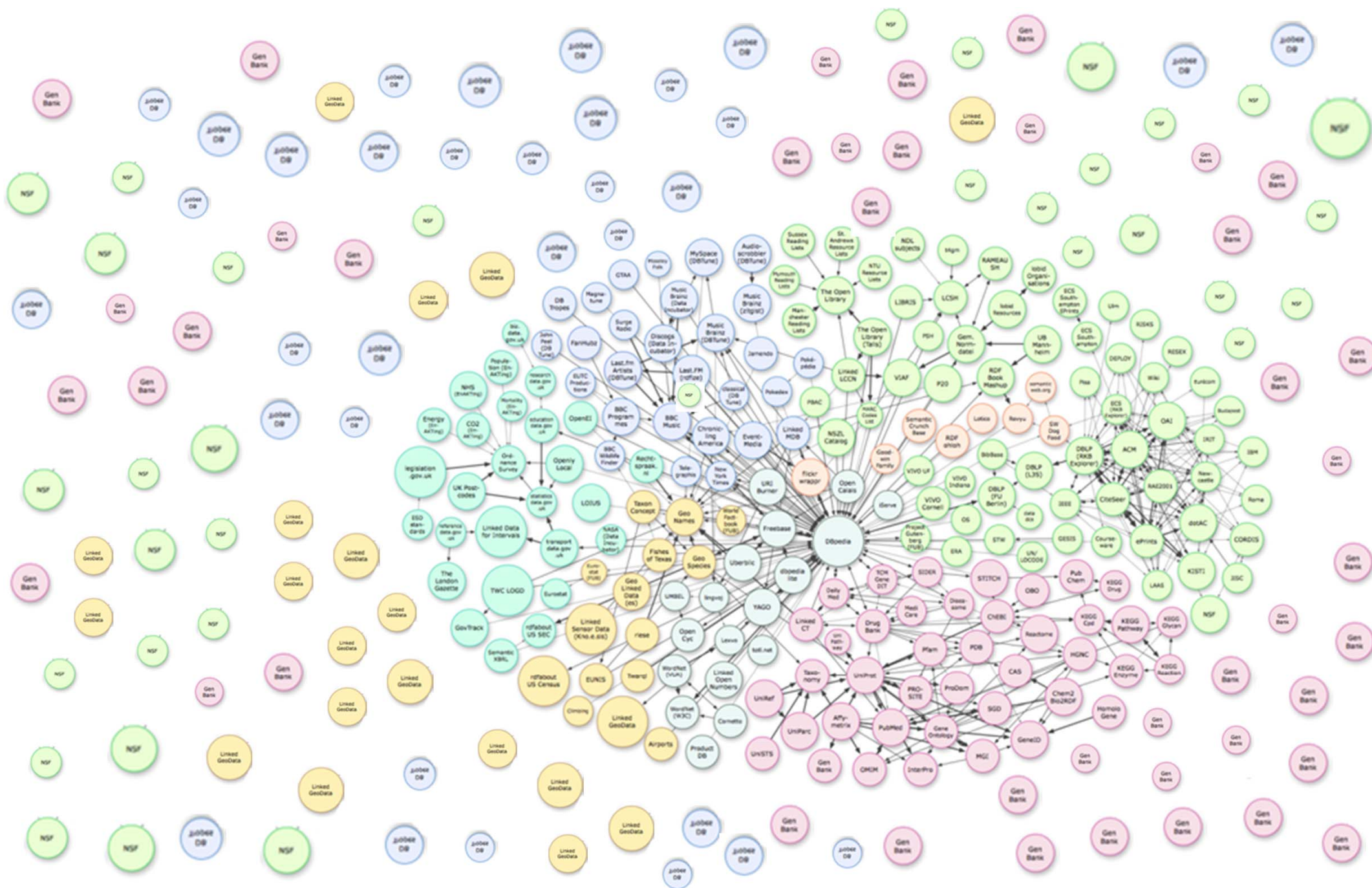|	Class	PLDs Total #	%	PLDs in Alexa #	%
1	hCard:VCard	1,511,467	84.03	87,758	83.79
2	hCard:Organization	195,493	10.87	10,430	9.96
3	hCard:Location	48,415	2.69	2,784	2.66
4	hCalendar:vcalendar	37,620	2.09	4,614	4.41
5	hCalendar:Vevent	36,349	2.02	4,400	4.20
6	hReview:Review	20,781	1.16	3,659	3.49
7	hListing:Lister	4,030	0.22	244	0.23
8	hListing:Listing	4,030	0.22	244	0.23
8	hRecipe:Recipe	3,281	0.18	1,068	1.02
10	hListing:Item	2,957	0.16	164	0.16
11	hRecipe:Ingredient	2,658	0.15	891	0.85
12	hRecipe:Duration	1,323	0.07	473	0.45
13	hRecipe:Nutrition	818	0.05	300	0.29
14	species:species	91	0.01	38	0.04
15	species:Genus	61	0.00	24	0.02
16	species:Family	60	0.00	24	0.02
17	species:Kingdom	59	0.00	24	0.02
18	species:Order	59	0.00	25	0.02

Linked Data vs. HTML-embeded Data

Compared to Microformats, Microdata, RDFa

- **the LOD Cloud covers a wider range of topics**
- **the LOD Cloud contains more complex data structures**
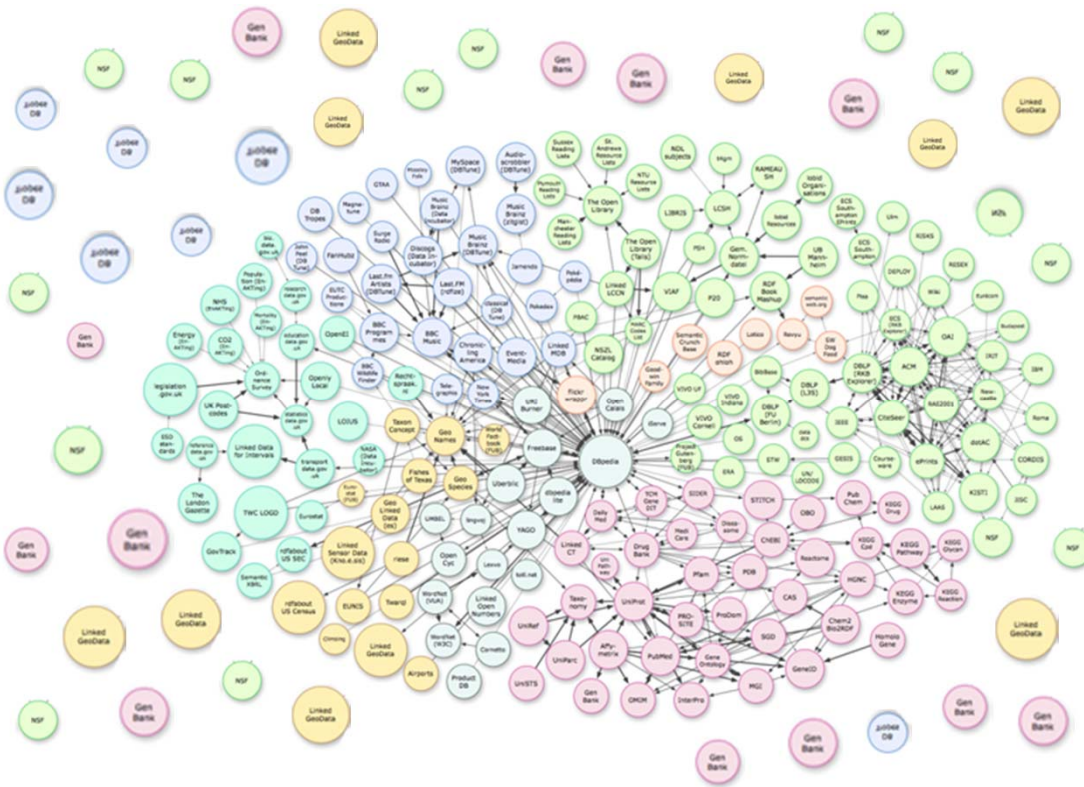- **Emphasis on setting RDF Links between sources**
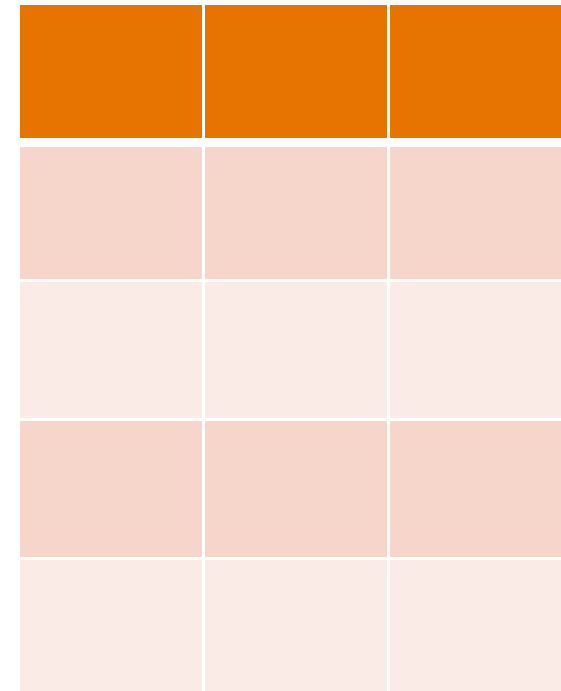
Overall Topology of the Web of Data

Applications hate heterogeneity and uncertain data quality!

The wild wild west

My little world

Current Research Challenges

1. **More research on <span style="color:red">data space profiling</span> is needed.**
   - What is in the data space and how does the content change over time?

2. **More research on <span style="color:red">data quality assessment</span> and <span style="color:red">SPAM detection</span> is needed.**

3. **More research on learning <span style="color:red">mappings and identity resolution heuristics</span> within the Web context.**
   - Identity links make it easier to learn vocabulary links.
   - Vocabulary links make it easier to learn identity links.

4. **More research on <span style="color:red">pay-as-you-go data integration</span> is needed.**
   - How do human, community and machine contributions play together over time?

Conclusion

- **The Web of Data is growing rapidly**
  - Active deployment communities exist in various domains
  - Value-able resource of background knowledge for many applications

- **Web search is evolving into query answering**
  - Search engines increasingly rely on structured data from the Web

- **Next step: Linked Data within Enterprises**
  - alternative to data warehouses and EAI middleware
  - advantages: schema-less data model, pay-as-you go data integration

- **You are looking for a topic for your PhD thesis?**
  - There are many exciting research challenges around consuming Web Data
  - Examples: Web-scale data integration, data quality assessment

Thanks!

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