Knowledge Graphs
Linked Open Data &
Semantic Web Programming

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Overview

• Linked Open Data
  – Principles
  – Examples
  – Vocabularies
• Microdata & schema.org
• Introduction to Semantic Web Programming with rdflib & Jena
Linked Open Data

• What we've got to know up to now
  – RDF as a universal language for encoding knowledge
  – RDF Schema for describing vocabularies (i.e., classes and properties)

• How can we publish such knowledge?

• Linked Open Data
  • uses techniques like URIs, RDF, RDF schema
  • for publishing knowledge on the Web
Why “Linked” Open Data?

:p a :Physician .
:p :hasDegree "Dr." .
:p :hasName "Mark Smith" .
:p :hasAddress :a .
:a :street "Main Street" .
:a :number "14"^^xsd:int .
:a :city "Smalltown" .
:p :hasOpeningHours [ 
  a rdf:Bag ;
  [ :day :Monday; 
    :from "9"^^xsd:int; 
    :to "11"^^xsd:int; 
  ]
] ...
Why “Linked” Open Data?

• Information is scattered on the Web
  – Publishing your own knowledge graph online just adds a scattered piece
  – “information silos”

• HTML has a concept for interlinking scattered information
  – known as hyperlink
  – More information at <a href="http://www.w3.org">W3C</a>

• Linked Open Data uses that principle, too
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:s a :City .
:s :name "Smalltown" .
:s :lat "49.86"^^xsd:double .
:s :long "8.65"^^xsd:double .
:s :district <http://.../birmingham> .

:d a :District .
:d :name "Birmingham" .
:d :pop "347891"^^xsd:int .
:d :locatedIn "England" .
...
Why “Linked” Open Data?

• Linked Open Data is RDF data
  – which is provided in a distributed manner

• URIs
  – have been used as simple identifiers so far
  – in LOD: links to data
    • resolvable!
    • "dereferencable URIs" (URLs)
    • can be used together with content negotiation, RDFa, etc.
Why “Linked” Open Data?

• Example:
  - `<#Heiko> :worksIn <http://dbpedia.org/resource/Mannheim>`.
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HTML Links vs. Links in Linked Open Data

• Compare


to


• Observation:
  – Links in Linked Open Data are always *explicitly* typed
  – The semantics of the link is thus interpretable
    • given that the predicate is defined in a schema
Links in Linked Open Data

• Important special case: owl:sameAs*

* We don't know OWL yet, never mind, we'll get to that...
Links in Linked Open Data

• **Important special case:** `owl:sameAs`
• Links two *identical* resources
  – This is required due to the non-unique naming assumption

• One of the most commonly misused concepts in the Semantic Web...

• **Use:**
  – Two datasets with information about the same person

• **Abuse:**
  – A dataset with information about a person and the person's homepage
  – The Starbucks in O7 and the company Starbucks
  – The state and the city of Hamburg
  – The parliament as an institution and the parliament as a building

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Links in Linked Open Data

• Alternatives to abusing \texttt{owl:.sameAs}*

  – General link to other resources
    \texttt{rdfs:seeAlso}

  – Link to (HTML) homepage:
    \texttt{e.g., foaf:homepage}

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Linking to a Schema

- Another important special case:
  - linking to a schema
  - luckily, everything is identified by a URI (also properties and classes)

:Heiko

"Heiko Paulheim".
Linking to a Schema

- btw: this also works for "built in" schemas

http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#type

:Heiko rdf:type :Person .
...
Four Principles of Linked Open Data

• The four Principles by Tim Berners-Lee (2006)
  1) Use URIs to identify things
  2) Use derefencable URIs
  3) Provide useful information upon derefencable URIs, use standards
  4) Add links to other datasets
What Data to Serve at a URI?

• Basic principle: provide a complete *RDF molecule* at the URI

• Definition of a complete RDF molecule:
  – All triples that have the URI as a subject or an object
  – Every blank node is connected by at least two predicates
RDF Molecules

- Avoid dead ends in browsing
RDF Molecules

- Recap: Blank Nodes for multi-valued predicates
  - avoid (potentially useless) partial information

```
Recipe has ingredient Sugar

has ingredient

amount

value "100"

unit gram

ingredient
```
RDF Molecules: Theory and Practice

• Definition of a complete RDF molecule:
  – All triples that have the URI as a subject or an object
  – Every blank node is connected by at least two predicates

• Consequences:
  – Triples are duplicated (in the subject's and the object's molecule)
    • redundancy, depending on serving strategy
  – Molecules can become very big
In theory, all triples have to be served

Pragmatic approach:
- Which information is interesting for a user?
- For a person: the city of residence
  - but for a city: all persons who reside here?
RDF Molecules: Theory and Practice

- Example Graph

Peter lives in Mannheim and studies at Uni MA. Julia lives in Mannheim and studies at Uni MA. Julia and Stefan are known to each other. Julia was born on 01-12-1986 and her nickname is Jule.
The Five Star Schema

- Five Star Scheme (Tim Berners-Lee, 2010)
  - * Available on the web with an open license
  - ** Available as machine-readable, structured data
  - *** like ** plus using a non-proprietary format
  - **** like *** plus using open standards by the W3C
  - ***** like **** plus links to other datasets
Linked Open Data Best Practices

- as defined by Heath and Bizer, 2011

1) Provide dereferencable URIs
2) Set RDF links pointing at other data sources
3) Use terms from widely deployed vocabularies
4) Make proprietary vocabulary terms dereferencable
5) Map proprietary vocabulary terms to other vocabularies
6) Provide provenance metadata
7) Provide licensing metadata
8) Provide data-set-level metadata
9) Refer to additional access methods
The Linked Open Data Cloud

http://lod-cloud.net/
What is the Linked Open Data Cloud?

- **Viewpoint 1:** a set of interconnected knowledge graphs
  - People have published ~1,000 knowledge graphs
  - They are linked to one another

- **Viewpoint 2:** one huge knowledge graph
  - In its entirety, the LOD cloud forms a large knowledge graph
  - This graph is very heterogeneous (i.e., uses different schemata)
The Linked Open Data Cloud

- In numbers:
  - >1,250 Data sets
  - Several billion triples
  - Several million interlinks

- Topical domains:
  - Government
  - Publications
  - Life sciences
  - User-generated content
  - Cross-domain
  - Media
  - Geographic
  - Social web

http://lod-cloud.net/
The Linked Open Data Cloud

- Domains by number of datasets in Linked Open Data
  - As of 2019
  - Classified based on data provider tags
  - More than half of the datasets are government and life sciences
A Short History of Linked Open Data

- **May 2007:**

- **March 2008:**

- **August 2014**

- **August 2017**

- **May 2020**

Examples: Government Data
Cross-Domain Example: DBpedia

• General knowledge on almost five million entities
• Hundreds of millions of triples
• Linked to ~100 other datasets
  – the most interlinked dataset

http://lod-cloud.net/
DBpedia: How It Is built
### Climate for Mannheim, Germany for 1981-2010 (Source: DWD)

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Source: Data derived from Deutscher Wetterdienst[12]

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Categories: Cities in Baden-Württemberg | Mannheim | Historic Jewish communities | Karlsruhe (region) | Populated places on the Rhine | University towns in Germany | Planned capitals | History of the Palatinate (region)
DBpedia: Contents

- Data from different infoboxes (extracted from multiple languages)
- Redirects and disambiguations
- External web links
- Abstracts in multiple languages
- Instance type information
  - DBpedia Ontology
  - YAGO*
  - schema.org*
  - DOLCE**
  - ...and others

* later today
** in a few weeks
The DBpedia Ontology

- **Classes:**
  - Approximately 1,800 classes
  - Partial hierarchy

- **Properties:**
  - Approximately 1,200 relations
    - Many with domain/range
  - Approximately 1,700 data properties
    - I.e., literal-valued
  - A bit of hierarchy
YAGO

- Also derived from Wikipedia
  - ~4.6M entities
  - ~26M statements
- Uses Wikipedia categories for typing
  - a class hierarchy of ~500,000 types
- Tries to capture time
  - i.e., statements that held true for a period of time
  - e.g., soccer players playing for teams
  - uses reification
Wikidata

• Collaboratively edited knowledge base

• Size
  – ~15M instances
  – ~66M statements

• Ontology
  – ~23k classes
  – ~1.6k properties

• Special
  – provenance information
  – i.e., evidence: where did that statement come from?
Wikidata
Further Example Datasets

- Linked Movie Database
  - Movies, actors, directors...
- MusicBrainz
  - Artists, albums, ...
- Open Library
  - Books, authors, publishers
- DBLP
  - Computer science publications
Further Example Datasets

• Linked Open Numbers
  – Numbers and their names in different languages
  – Roman and Arabic notations, binary, hex etc.
Vocabularies

• Recap: LOD Best Practices, Principle 3:
  – Use terms from widely deployed vocabularies

• So, what are common widely deployed vocabularies?
Dublin Core

• We have already encountered this
• Usage: Metadata for resources and documents
• Namespace http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/
• Common prefix: dc
• defines properties, e.g.,
  – creator
  – subject
  – date
• Resources: DCMI Type Vocabulary:
  – Text
  – Image
  – Software
  – ...
FOAF (Friend of a Friend)

- Persons and their relations
- Created for personal home pages
  - but used widely beyond that
- Namespace http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/
- Common prefix: foaf:

- Important classes
  - Person
  - Group
  - Organization
  - Project
  - ...

- Important properties
  - name, firstName, lastName
  - phone, mbox, homepage
  - knows
  - currentProject, pastProject
  - ...

FOAF (Friend of a Friend)

Peter

foaf:firstname
"Peter"

foaf:lastname
"Smith"

foaf:knows
Julia

foaf:nick
"Pete"
DBLP: Combining FOAF and DC

- **foaf:Document**
  - rdf:type
  - rdfs:label, dc:title: "Improving the usability of integrated applications by using visualizations of linked data"@en
  - dcterms: issued: 2011

- **dblp:Paulheim11**
  - foaf:maker, dc:creator
  - dcmitype: Text

- **dblp:Heiko_Paulheim**
  - foaf:name: "Heiko Paulheim"
  - rdf:type
  - rdfs:label, foaf:name

- **foaf:Agent**
WGS 84

- Encodes geographic data
- World Geodetic System 1984
- 3D reference model
- Namespace http://www.w3.org/2003/01/geo/wgs84_pos#
- Common prefix: geo:

- Classes:
  - SpatialThing
  - Point

- Properties:
  - latitude
  - longitude
  - altitude
  - location
Publishing Linked Open Data

• Possible variants
  – hand coded
  – from triple stores
  – from relational databases
Linked Data from Triple Stores

- Triple Store: RDF storage engine
  - e.g., Virtuoso
- Pubby: Front end for triple stores
- Supports content negotiation etc.
Knowledge Graphs from Databases

- **D2R**: Linked Open Data interface on relational databases
  - e.g., MySQL
Knowledge Graphs from Databases

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<th>location (int)</th>
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<td>1327890123</td>
<td>&quot;Heiko&quot;</td>
<td>&quot;Mannheim&quot;</td>
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</table>

map:Person a d2rq:ClassMap;
d2rq:dataStorage map:Database1.
d2rq:class foaf:Person;
d2rq:uriPattern "http://foo.bar/p@@Person.ID@@";
.
map:personName a d2rq:PropertyBridge;
d2rq:belongsToClassMap map:Person;
d2rq:property foaf:name;
d2rq:column "Person.name";
d2rq:datatype xsd:string;
.
map:location a d2rq:PropertyBridge;
d2rq:belongsToClassMap map:Person;
d2rq:property foaf:basedNear;
d2rq:column "Person.location";
d2rq:datatype xsd:string;
.

<http://foo.bar/p1327890123> a foaf:Person .
Knowledge Graphs from Databases

- Note:
  - In this case, the knowledge graph does not replicate the data
  - It is only a “virtual” knowledge graph, providing a knowledge graph view on data from another system
  - Combining such virtual knowledge graphs can provide a unified view of data from different sources
Microdata and schema.org

• We have already seen that in the last lecture

```html
<div itemscope
itemtype="http://schema.org/PostalAddress">
  <span itemprop="name">Data and Web Science Group</span>
  _:1 a <http://schema.org/PostalAddress> .
  _:1 <http://schema.org/name> "Data and Web Science Group" .
  _:1 <http://schema.org/addressLocality> "Mannheim" .
  _:1 <http://schema.org/addressCountry> "Germany" .
</div>
```
Microdata and schema.org

- schema.org defines (among others)
  - products
  - product offers
  - businesses and local businesses (stores, cafés, ...)
  - books, movies, records
  - events
  - recipes
  - persons
  - ...
### Movie

**Thing > CreativeWork > Movie**

A movie.

Usage: Between 10,000 and 50,000 domains

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<th>Expected Type</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<td>actor</td>
<td>Person</td>
<td>An actor, e.g. in tv, radio, movie, video games etc. Actors can be associated with individual items or with a series, episode, clip. Supersedes actors.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>director</td>
<td>Person</td>
<td>A director of e.g. tv, radio, movie, video games etc. content. Directors can be associated with individual items or with a series, episode, clip. Supersedes directors.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>duration</td>
<td>Duration</td>
<td>The duration of the item (movie, audio recording, event, etc.) in ISO 8601 date format</td>
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<tr>
<td>musicBy</td>
<td>MusicGroup or Person</td>
<td>The composer of the soundtrack.</td>
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<tr>
<td>productionCompany</td>
<td>Organization</td>
<td>The production company or studio responsible for the item e.g. series, video game, episode etc.</td>
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<td>subtitleLanguage</td>
<td>Text or Language</td>
<td>Languages in which subtitles/captions are available, in IETF BCP 47 standard format.</td>
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<tr>
<td>trailer</td>
<td>VideoObject</td>
<td>The trailer of a movie or tv/radio series, season, episode, etc.</td>
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**Properties from CreativeWork**

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<td>Thing</td>
<td>The subject matter of the content.</td>
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<td>accessibilityAPI</td>
<td>Text</td>
<td>Indicates that the resource is compatible with the referenced accessibility API (WebSchemas wiki lists possible values).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>accessibilityControl</td>
<td>Text</td>
<td>Identifies input methods that are sufficient to fully control the described resource (WebSchemas wiki lists possible values).</td>
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<td>accessibilityFeature</td>
<td>Text</td>
<td>Content features of the resource, such as accessible media, alternatives and supported enhancements for accessibility (WebSchemas wiki lists possible values).</td>
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<td>accessibilityHazard</td>
<td>Text</td>
<td>A characteristic of the described resource that is physiologically dangerous to some users. Related to WCAG 2.0 guideline 2.3 (WebSchemas wiki lists possible values).</td>
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<td>accountablePerson</td>
<td>Person</td>
<td>Specifies the Person that is legally accountable for the CreativeWork.</td>
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<td>aggregateRating</td>
<td>AggregateRating</td>
<td>The overall rating, based on a collection of reviews or ratings, of the item.</td>
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<td>alternativeHeadline</td>
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Main topics of schema.org:
- Meta information on web page content (web page, blog...)
- Business data (products, offers, ...)
- Contact data (businesses, persons, ...)
- (Product) reviews and ratings

...and a massive long tail
Growth of schema.org

- Note: schema.org is mainly used with Microdata
  - ...and Microdata is mainly used with schema.org

http://webdatacommons.org/structureddata/
Microdata/schema.org vs. Linked Open Data

• Commonalities
  – Both encode machine-interpretable knowledge
  – Schema.org uses a standard vocabulary
  – Both can be encoded as RDF
Microdata/schema.org vs. Linked Open Data

• Differences
  – Microdata is embedded in the DOM tree
    • i.e., the resulting RDF is always a set of trees
    • not a general directed graph
    • no cycles, no reification
  – Microdata uses only blank nodes and literals
**Microdata/schema.org vs. Linked Open Data**

- **Linked Data Principles (Tim Berners-Lee 2006)**
  - Use URIs as names for things
  - Use HTTP URIs that can be looked up
  - When someone looks up a HTTP URI, provide useful information using a standard

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Microdata/schema.org vs. Linked Open Data

• Linked Data Principles (TimBL 2006)
  – Use URIs as names for things
  – Use HTTP URIs that can be looked up
  – When someone looks up a HTTP URI, provide useful information using a standard
  – Include links to other URIs

  ![OK, SO IT'S POSSIBLE](image1.png)

  ![BUT WHERE ARE ALL THOSE LINKS?](image2.png)

• Linkage within schema.org Microdata:
  – Only 0.02% of all data providers use schema.org/sameas

  This is possible with schema.org/sameas
Microdata/schema.org vs. LOD

- Five Star Scheme (TimBL 2010)
  * Available on the web with an open license
    ** Available as machine-readable, structured data
    *** as (**), using a non-proprietary format
    **** plus: using open standards by the W3C
    ***** plus: links to other datasets

- What's the license of web data?
Intermediate Summary

• Until today, we have dealt with the Semantic Web as a *vision*

• Today, we have seen two incarnations of that vision
  – Linked Open Data
  – schema.org/Microdata

• Both have a lot in common

• Linked Open Data:
  – A set of interconnected knowledge graphs, or a large knowledge graph

• schema.org/Microdata
  – A very large set of small knowledge graphs
And Now for Something Completely Different
Programming with Knowledge Graphs

• Let's start with a simple application
  – a Hello World application for reading data from a knowledge graph
Using only Plain Java

URL url = new URL("http://dbpedia.org/resource/Mannheim");
URLConnection conn = url.openConnection();
conn.setRequestProperty("Accept", "text/rdf+n3");
BufferedReader BR = new BufferedReader(
    new InputStreamReader(conn.getInputStream())
);

while (BR.ready()) {
    String triple = BR.readLine();
    StringTokenizer tokenizer = new StringTokenizer(triple, " ");
    String subject = tokenizer.nextToken();
    String predicate = tokenizer.nextToken();
    String object = tokenizer.nextToken();
    ...
}
Using only Plain Java

• Let's start with a simple application
  – a Hello World application for reading data from a knowledge graph

• Using plain Java is possible
  – but not very comfortable
  – there are more sophisticated frameworks
Programming with Jena

- Jena is a well-known Semantic Web programming framework
- started in 2000 at HP Labs
- Apache open source project since 2010

- Central concepts
  - Models (class Model) are RDF graphs
  - Resources (class Resource) are resources in RDF graphs

- Special features
  - Database connectors for persistence
  - Support for reasoning
  - Rule engines
  - Support for SPARQL (see next lecture)
Programming with Jena

• Reading a model from a derefencable URI

```java
model.read("http://dbpedia.org/resource/Mannheim");
```

• Navigating within a model

```java
Resource mannheim =
    model.getResource("http://dbpedia.org/resource/Mannheim");

Resource countryOfMannheim =
    model.getProperty("http://dbpedia.org/ontology/country").
    getResource();
```
• Working with literals

```
Literal lit = mannheim.getProperty(
    "http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#label").
getLiteral();

lit.getString();
lit.getLanguage();
lit.getDatatype();
```
Programming with Jena

• Working with multi-valued relations
  
 StmtIterator iter = mannheim.getProperty("http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#label");
  
  while(iter.hasNext()) {
    Statement s = iter.next();
    RDFNode node = s.getObject();
    if(node.isLiteral())
      System.out.println(node.asLiteral().getString());
  }

creates an iterator over all triples with the subject node and the given predicate
Iterators in Jena

• Jena uses the iterator pattern quite frequently
• e.g.:

```java
StmtIterator iter = mannheim.getProperty("http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#label");
```

• But there is no such thing as

```java
Collection<Statement> triples = mannheim.getProperty("http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#label");
```

• Why?
Iterators in Jena

- Knowledge graphs can be very large
- e.g., reading all triples from DBpedia
  - stored in List<Statement> would kill the main memory
  - iterators allow a more efficient memory use
Programming with Jena

- **Manipulating models**
  
  ```java
p1.addProperty("http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/knows", p2);
  ```

- **Watching model changes**
  
  ```java
class MyListener implements ModelChangedListener...
MyListener listener = new MyListener();
model.add(listener);
  ```
Reasoning with Jena

• Recap: we can derive information from a schema (T-Box) and data (A-box)
  
  :knows rdfs:domain :Person .
  :knows rdfs:range :Person .
  :Peter :knows :Tom .
  → :Peter a :Person .
  → :Tom a :Person .

• Jena also supports reasoning
Reasoning with Jena

- Given: a schema and some data

```java
Model schemaModel = ModelFactory.createDefaultModel();
InputStream IS = new FileInputStream("data/example_schema.rdf");
schemaModel.read(IS);

Model dataModel = ModelFactory.createDefaultModel();
IS = new FileInputStream("data/example_data.rdf");
dataModel.read(IS);

Model reasoningModel = ModelFactory.createRDFSModel(schemaModel, dataModel);
```

- Now, reasoningModel contains all derived facts
• Now, `reasoningModel` contains all derived facts

```java
StmtIterator it = reasoningModel.listStatements();
while (it.hasNext()) {
    Statement s = it.next();
    System.out.println(s);
}
```

• Output:
Programming with RDFLib (Python)

- RDFLib is a Python library for working with RDF
- initial release 4 June, 2002 by Daniel Krech
  - Now being developed by the community at github: https://github.com/RDFLib/rdflib/
- it contains parsers and serializers for
  - RDF/XML, N3, NTriples, N-Quads, Turtle, TriX, RDFa and Microdata
- graph interface which can be backed by store implementations
  - memory storage
  - persistent storage on top of the Berkeley DB
- reasoning possible (https://github.com/RDFLib/OWL-RL)
- SPARQL 1.1 implementation (see next lecture)
Programming with RDFLib (Python)

• primary interface is a Graph
  – represented as a set of 3-item triples
    
    [  
      (subject, predicate, object),  
      (subject1, predicate1, object1),  
      ...  
      (subjectN, predicateN, objectN)  
    ]
Programming with RDFLib (Python)

- Reading a model from a dereferencable URI
  
  ```python
  import rdflib
  g=rdflib.Graph()
  g.load('http://dbpedia.org/resource/Mannheim')
  ```

- Print out all RDF triples
  
  ```python
  for s,p,o in g:
      print(s,p,o)
  ```

- Navigating within a graph
  
  ```python
  print(g.value(
      URIRef("http://dbpedia.org/resource/Mannheim"),
      URIRef("http://dbpedia.org/ontology/country")
  ))
  ```
Most often reduced to basic triple matching

Graph.triples(subject, predicate, object)
  - each of them can be None (similar to null in Java)

    for s, p, o in g.triples((None, RDF.type, FOAF.Person)):
      print("%s is a person" % s)

Special functions for returning only specific parts
  - Graph.subjects(predicate, object) – returns only subjects
  - Graph.predicate(subject, object)
  - Graph.objects(subject, predicate)
  - Graph.subject_objects(predicate)
  - Graph.subject_predicates(object)
  - Graph.predicate_objects(subject)
  - Graph.value(subject, predicate)
    - For just one value and not a generator/iterator
Programming with RDFLib (Python)

• create URIs

```python
mannheim = URIRef('http://example.com/Mannheim')
```

• create literals

```python
mannheim_literal = Literal("Mannheim")
```

• Add triples to graph

```python
g.add( (mannheim, RDFS.label, mannheim_literal) )
g.add( (mannheim, RDFS.label, Literal("Mannheim", lang="de")) )
```

• Serialize graph

```python
print( g.serialize(format='n3') )
```
Wrap-Up

• Today, we have seen
  – two incarnations of knowledge graphs as publicly available data
    • i.e., Linked Open Data
    • and Microdata/schema.org

• ...and we have learned how to write programs consuming data in knowledge graphs
  – Jena & RDFlib programming frameworks
  – loading RDF from files and from URLs
  – performing reasoning
Questions?