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Linked Data and Services

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HTTP Overview

HTTP, by which all documents on the WWW are served, is a client server protocol.
Every interaction based on:

- Request
  - Method
    - GET
    - PUT
    - POST
    - PATCH
    - DELETE (+ OPTIONS, HEADER, TRACE, CONNECT)
  - URL
  - Header
  - [Optional] Body (with POST, PUT, PATCH)
- Reponse
  - Reponse code (integer)
  - Header
  - [Optional] Body

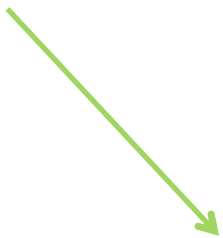
HTTP GET Example

method

Retrieval example:

```
GET /web/Barry_Norton HTTP/1.1
Host: www.aifb.kit.edu
Accept-Language:en
```

header



header status code

```
HTTP/1.0 200 OK
Date: Sun, 07 Nov 2010 01:00:00 GMT
Content-Type: text/html

<html>
  <head> ...
```

body

Can negotiate on
(human) language,
but also...

HTTP Conneg Example

Content negotiation (coneg) example:

```
GET /id/Barry_Norton HTTP/1.1
Host: www.aifb.kit.edu
Accept:text/html
```

```
HTTP/1.0 302 Moved Temporarily
Date: Sun, 07 Nov 2010 00:30:00 GMT
Location: http://www.aifb.kit.edu/web/
Barry_Norton
```

```
GET /id/Barry_Norton HTTP/1.1
Host: www.aifb.kit.edu
Accept:application/rdf+xml
```

```
HTTP/1.0 302 Moved Temporarily
Date: Sun, 07 Nov 2010 00:45:00 GMT
Location: http://www.aifb.kit.edu/portal/
index.php?
title=Spezial:Exportiere_RDF/Barry_Norton
```

HTTP PUT/PATCH Examples

PUT/PATCH example:

```
PUT /web/Barry_Norton HTTP/1.1
Host: www.aifb.kit.edu
Content-Type: text/html

<html> ...
```

(new resource or complete update)

```
HTTP/1.0 200 OK (or 201 CREATED)
Date: Sun, 07 Nov 2010 00:10:00 GMT
```

```
PATCH /web/Barry_Norton HTTP/1.1
Host: www.aifb.kit.edu
Content-Type: text/html

Change...
```

(partial update)

```
HTTP/1.0 200 OK
Date: Sun, 07 Nov 2010 00:10:00 GMT
```

HTTP POST Examples

POST-compute example:

(input -> computation -> output)

```
POST /web/Barry_Norton HTTP/1.1
Host: www.aifb.kit.edu
Content-Type: something

Input ...
```

```
HTTP/1.0 200 OK
Date: Sun, 07 Nov 2010 00:10:00 GMT
Content-Type: something

Result....
```

POST-append example:

(new related resource)

```
POST /web/Barry_Norton HTTP/1.1
Host: www.aifb.kit.edu
Content-Type: text/html

<html> ...
```

```
HTTP/1.0 201 CREATED
Date: Sun, 07 Nov 2010 00:10:00 GMT
Location:http://www.aifb.kit.edu/...
```

Representational State Transfer

- HTTP, maintained by IETF not W3C, is just one (primary) implementation of an architectural style called:
  - REST = REpresentational State Transfer

REST Principles

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Linked Data Principles

The defining principles of Linked Data are few and simply stated:

Linked Data Principles

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 information, using the standards (RDF*, SPARQL)
4. Include links to other URIs. so that they can discover more things.

These are the latest version of their statement, contained in a W3C Note ‘Linked Data – Design Issues’ by Tim Berners-Lee

http://www.w3.org/DesignIssues/LinkedData.html

Linked Data Principle 1

Linked Data Principles

1. Use URIs as names for things

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- A foundational issue in Linked Data was the distinction of URIs for **real-world objects** versus (e.g., RDF) **documents** that might describe them.
- One solution is to include a **Cool URI** with a hash, as follows:

- Note that Web browsers already crop hash URIs in this way

http://www.w3.org/TR/cooluris/#semweb

Linked Data Principle 2

Linked Data Principles

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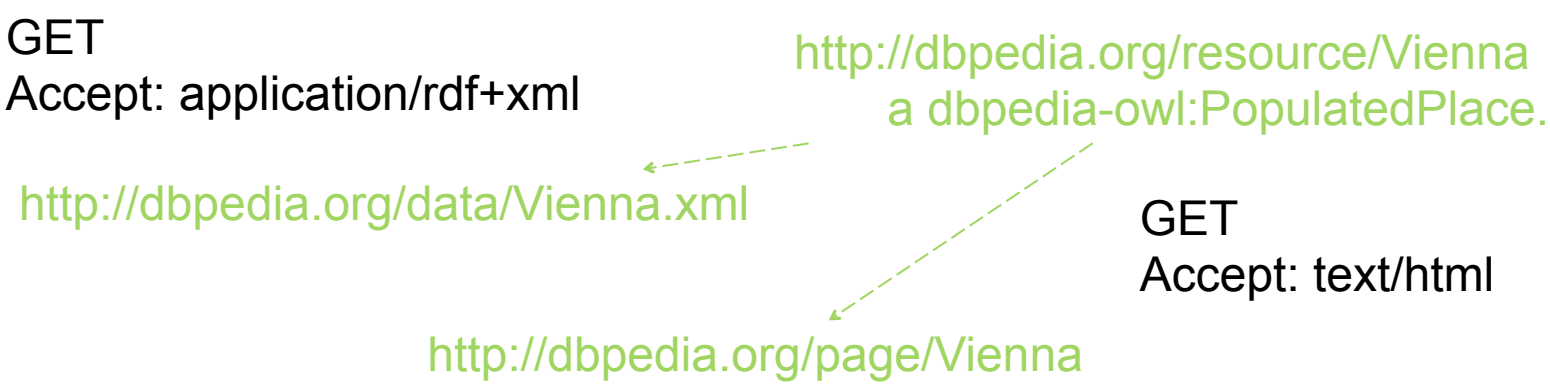
2. Use HTTP URIs so that people can look up those names…

- HTTP allows a second way to distinguish real-world objects from documents, e.g. In DBPedia:



- Principles say HTTP 303 and Location header should be used

Linked Data Principle 3

Linked Data Principles

…
3. When someone looks up a URI, provide useful information, using the standards (RDF*, SPARQL)

- While RDF/XML should be the default for look-up
  - RDFa annotations in HTML are now also standard
  - it is increasingly encouraged to also offer Turtle:

GET
Accept: text/n3

http://dbpedia.org/data/Vienna.n3 ←

http://dbpedia.org/resource/Vienna
a dbpedia-owl:PopulatedPlace.

- A dump of the whole dataset, and a SPARQL endpoint for queries are also encouraged (see Publishing)

Linked Data Principle 4

Linked Data Principles

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4. Include links to other URIs. so that they can discover more things.

- There are several ways to reuse URIs:
  - At schema level –
    - direct **reuse** of class/property
    - (RDFS) **sub**-class/-property
    - (OWL) **equivalent** class/property
    - SKOS **broad match**

Interlinking

- At instance level –
  - direct **reuse**
  - (RDFS) **seeAlso**
  - (OWL) **sameAs**

There are a number of standard schemas, considered next for publishing, and datasets, considered in the Cloud, that should always be considered.

What to Return for a URI

- **The (immediate) description:** All triples that have the resource's URI as the subject.
- **Backlinks:** All triples that have the resource's URI as the object. This is redundant, but it allows bi-directional traversal.
- **Related descriptions**: Anything about related resources that may be of interest in typical usage scenarios; use prudence.
- **Metadata:** Any metadata such as the author and licensing information.
- **Syntax:** At least RDF descriptions as RDF/XML which is the only official syntax for RDF.
    - As RDF/XML is not very human-readable, the data could additionally be provided in other formats; e.g., for MIME-type application/x-turtle.

How to Publish Linked Data on the Web
Chris Bizer, Richard Cyganiak, Tom Heath

Note that text/n3 and text/rdf+n3
are currently better-supported though
a registered Internet Media type will be established

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Publication Means

There are a number of popular means to publish Linked Data:

- Host RDF/XML as static files behind Web server
- Include RDFa in HTML generated from existing content management system
- Publish direct from triplestore
- Expose relational database via translation

Publishing Static RDF

- The easiest way to create some simple Linked Data content is to host a hand-edited file on a Web server
- For example this is often used to identify a person by hosting a FOAF file (see later)
- There are consequences with respect to best practice:
  - the Web server should be configured to respect (Accept) requests according to the proper Internet Media types
  - it is messy (based on duplication) to offer alternative serialisations
  - SPARQL-based queries have to load whole graph so these should be small
- This approach is only sensible at small scale

Publishing Dynamic RDFa

- Not covered in depth in this module, RDFa is W3C Recommendation for including RDF as annotations to HTML
- It is argued that this can be the minimally invasive way to augment existing Web systems:
  - Web servers need minimal reconfiguration (should recognise `application/xhtml+xml` media type)
  - Some generic content management systems (CMS), e.g. Drupal, and some eCommerce solutions, already include RDFa support
  - It is argued e.g., for GoodRelations (see later) that annotation of text features can be optional and 'RDFa blocks' included into HTML
- Arguably, though, RDFa is least readable to humans, though both RDF/XML and Turtle can easily be obtained from a 'distiller'

http://www.w3.org/TR/rdfa-syntax/

Publishing Direct from Triple Store

- The most expedient way to follow principles and best practice for large datasets is to store data in RDF form in a triple store
- This has a number of advantages:
  - Most triplestores allow HTTP negotiation of serialisation
  - Allows direct processing of SPARQL queries, and therefore provision of a SPARQL endpoint, over data
  - Implicitly supports per resource deferencing via DESCRIBE queries
- Good solution for hosting new datasets, however in many cases there already exists an infrastructure which cannot be so easily replaced.

Exposing Relational Database via Translation

- Many large datasets are managed using relational DBMSs
- D2R is a popular solution for providing, via translation:
  - Dereferencing of resources
  - SPARQL processing, and
  - complete RDF dumps
- Translation rules expressed in D2RQ, a Turtle encoding of:
  - Mapping between major relational tables and RDFS classes
  - 'Bridges' between columns and RDF properties, including
  - Conditions and (programmatic) translations
- The W3C has recently chartered a working group to work on a standard for such mappings

http://www.w3.org/2009/08/rdb2rdf-charter

Vocabulary of Interlinked Datasets

A vocabulary of growing importance in publishing datasets is VoID, the Vocabulary of Interlinked Datasets, defining in RDFS:

- Access metadata:
  - Example resources via resolvable URIs and URI patterns – void:exampleResource
  - SPARQL endpoints – void:sparqlEndpoint
  - Dumps – void:dataDump
- Used vocabularies – void:vocabulary
- Statistics – void:triples, void:distinctObjects
- Interlinkage – void:LinkSet, void:target

VoID also guides the use of existing vocabularies for

- Licensing, via dc:license
- Contact information, via foaf:Person

http://www.w3.org/TR/void/

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Linked Data Consumption

The consumption of Linked Data follows two strategies that are comparable to current Web use, with additional advantages, and one further:

- **Linked Data Browsing** – Linked Data best practice and inter-linkage are exploited to offer an effective human guided traversal of the Web of Data
- **Linked Data Search** – semantics are exploited to improve on existing Web search over the Web of Data
- **Linked Data Mash-ups** – datasets are brought together to create new applications

Linked Data Browsing

Traditional Web Browsers:

- render pre-existing documents
- display these according to their fixed HTML representation
- navigate according to pre-existing hyperlinks (in document).

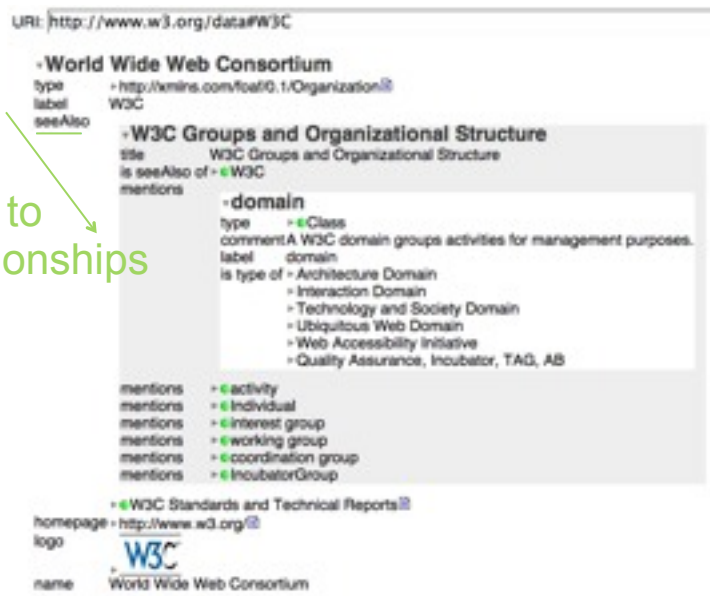
Linked Data Browsers

- render resources according both to pre-existing HTML representations, but also interpretations of RDF terms:
  - rdfs:label implies a label for something, which may have internationalisation via language tagging
  - rdfs:comment implies further information that may be optionally displayed, e.g., as a pop up
  - foaf:depiction implies availability of a picture, etc.
- navigate also according to related datasets, even if not nominated by original publisher of resource of focus

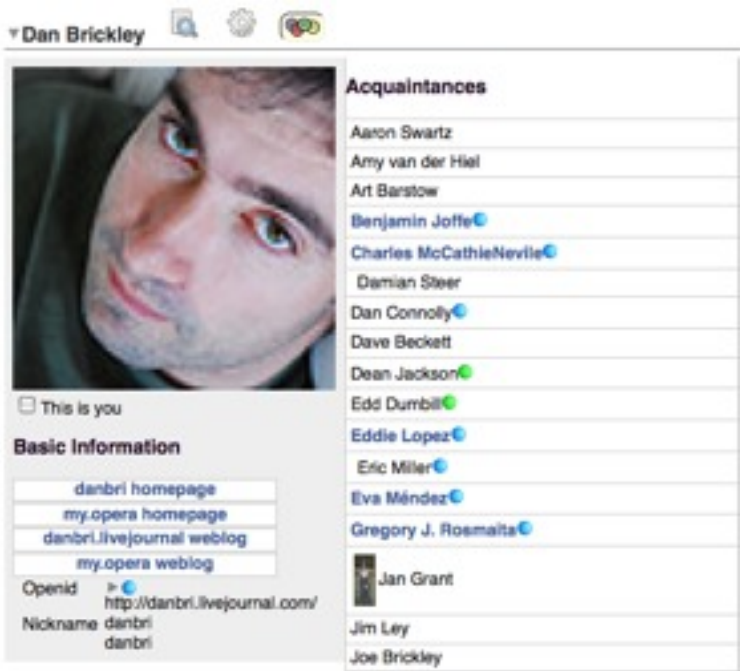
Linked Data Browser - Tabulator

Tabulator is an extension to the Firefox browser with views for tables, maps, calendars, timelines, etc. and mechanism for extension to other views

browsing between resources according to RDF relationships



FOAF view

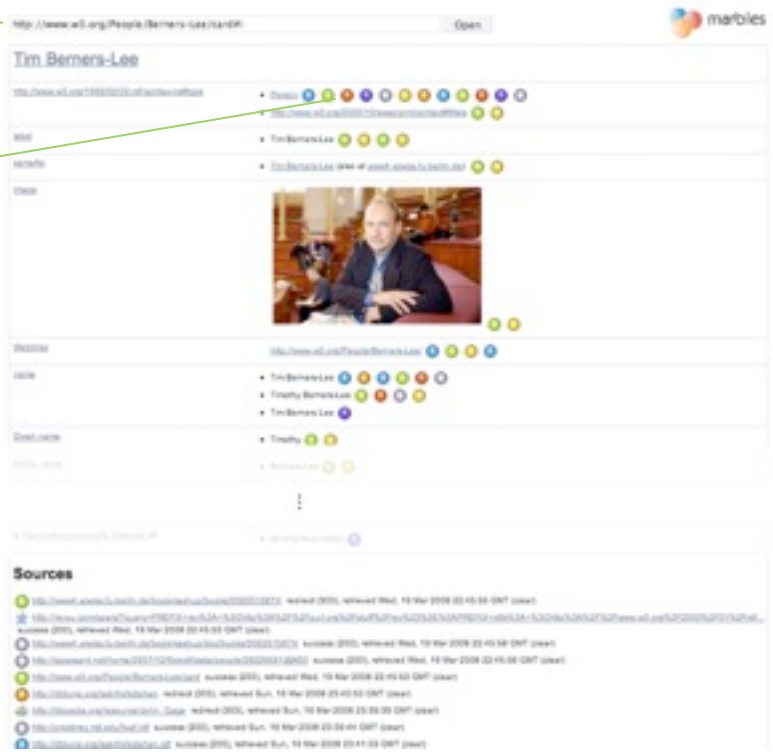


http://www.w3.org/2005/ajar/tab

Linked Data Browser - Marbles

Tabulator is XHTML server that aggregates Linked Data about nominated resources

It displays this using coloured ‘marbles’ to illustrate where each item came from and to allow navigation



http://marbles.sourceforge.net/

Linked Data Search

Traditional Web search, covered in previous module:

- primarily keyword-based
- crawls documents via hyperlinks
- stores each as ‘bag of words’
- uses (ambiguous) hyperlinks only to judge popularity
- presents results mostly as a set of links

Semantic / Linked Data Search

- crawls given RDF-described inter-linkage structure
- integrates information about unambiguous resources
- interprets query generally, using inference to find matches
- presents results intelligently and in coherent fashion

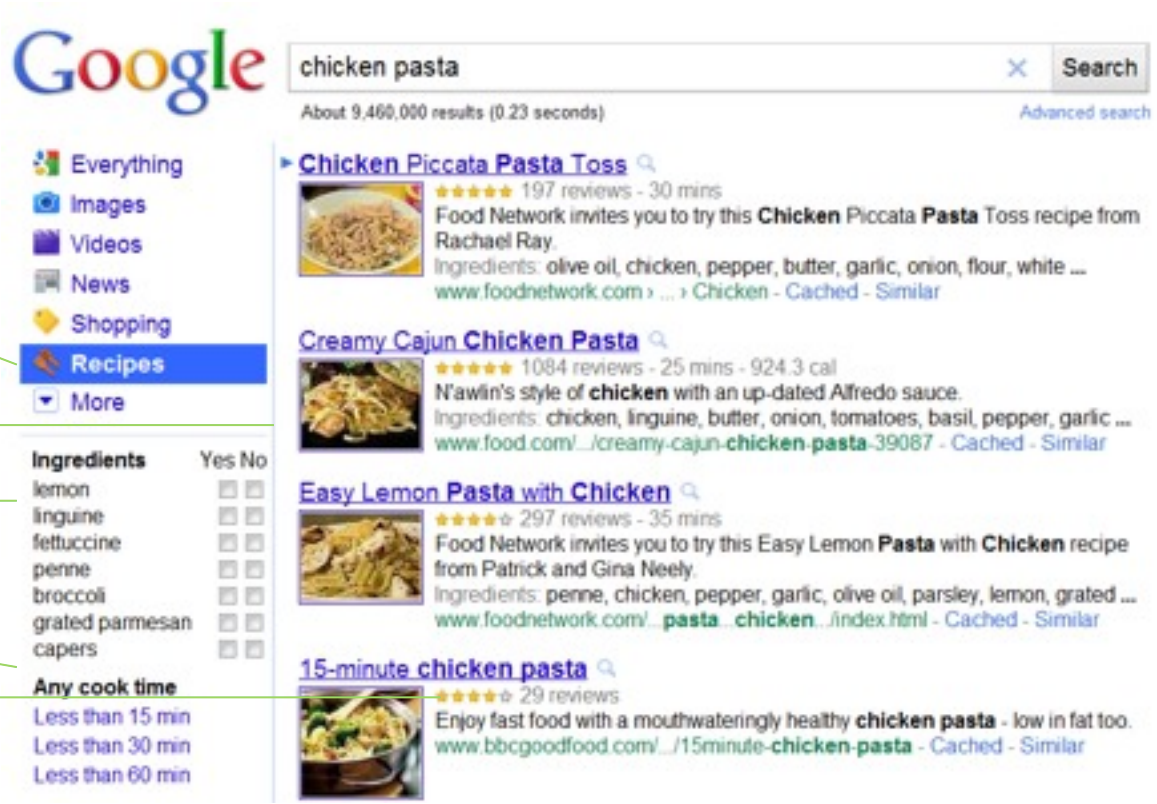
Linked Data Search – Sig.ma

Sig.ma allows keyword-based search and presents aggregated results, via Sindice, in style of Linked Data Browsing, as well as list of sources

http://sig.ma/

Linked Data Search – Google Rich Snippets

Google increasingly uses semantic annotations to improve on traditional search results, for instance in finding recipes & showing pictures, ingredients, timing & reviews



Linked Data Mash-up

Building an application aggregating Linked Data balances two strategies:

- Utilise a triple store that has application data already available via –
  - **Crawling** ahead of time, using tools such as LDSpider
  - **Loading** of pertinent datastores from dumps
- On-the-fly aggregation, via –
  - **Run-time dereferencing** of RDF resource descriptions
  - **Federation** between SPARQL endpoints

Significant effort is still needed to achieve reusable visualisation of Linked Data; many current mash-ups are forced to transform data to non Semantic Web formats.

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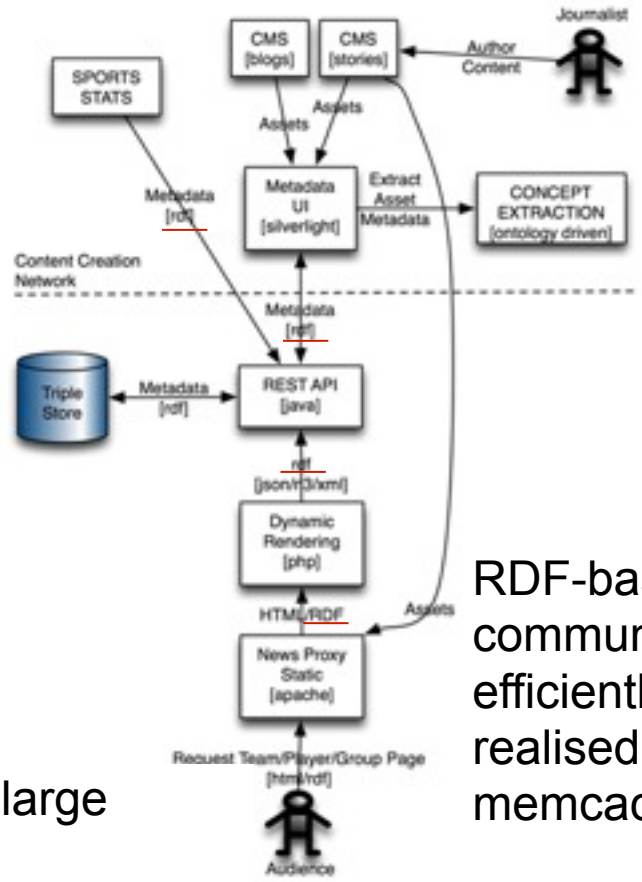
RDF Services at the BBC

Real-time updates to a large (ferocious) audience



RDF-based communication efficiently realised using memcached

Motivating Example Datasets

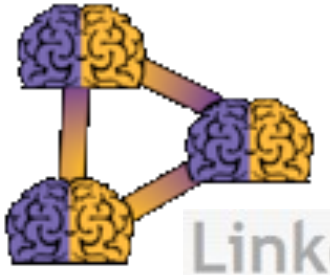
The GeoNames geographical database is available for download free of charge under a creative commons attribution license. It contains over 10 million geographical names and consists of 7.5 million unique features.

The MusicBrainz music metadata database is available for download under a public domain (CC no rights reserved) and CC Attribution-NonCommercial-ShareAlike 2.0 license. It contains over 10 million track descriptions.

Motivating Example Linked Data

GeoNames

GeoNames categorises geo features in 9 feature classes sub-categorized into 645 feature codes. An SKOS taxonomy reflects this structure and OWL is used to describe features; URIs can be resolved to RDF and a dump is available. Links are made to DBPedia and other LOD sets.



LinkedBrainz

The MusicBrainz NGS schema has been mapped into the Music Ontology. HTML pages describing MusicBrainz entities are now annotated in RDFa. A dump will soon be made available. Links are made to DBPedia and LOD sets, such as BBC Music Reviews, use MB IDs.

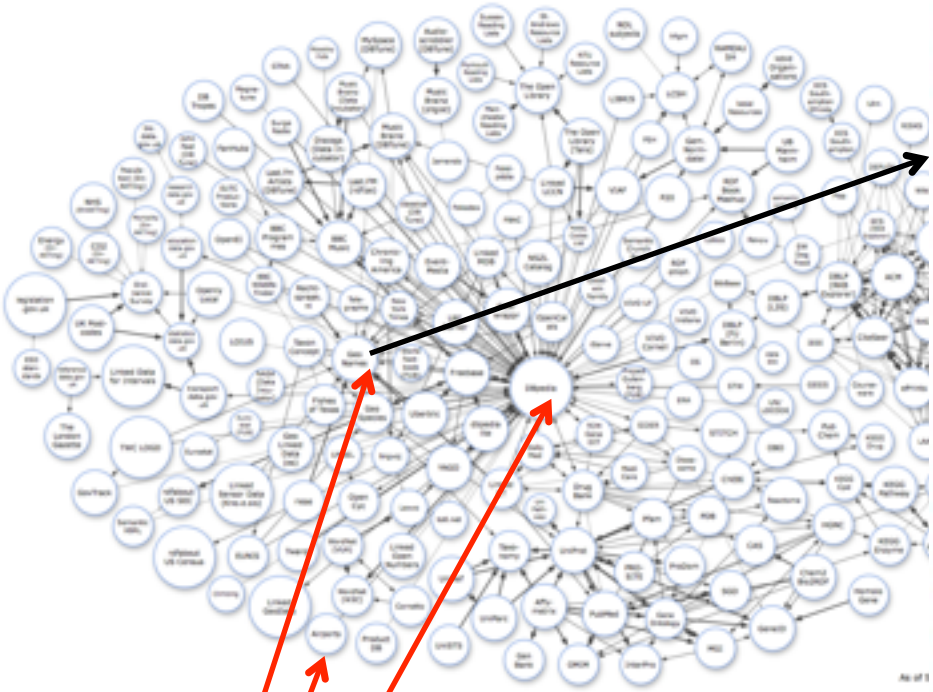
Motivating Example APIs

GeoNames offers a number of reverse geolocation (and containment)-based retrievals – the feature is not directly identified, but a set of qualifying resources are computed from a point (/ circle/box)

MusicBrainz incorporates PUIDs and uses MusicIP's MusicDNS audio fingerprinting technologies. When a PUID is submitted they are fuzzily matched to a set of similar tracks.

In both cases **computation** is needed, before retieval, to locate the resource to be included. This needs to happen **near the data**, not be remotely pushed to it

Geonames Services



```
{"weatherObservation":
 {"clouds":"broken clouds",
  "weatherCondition":"drizzle",
  "observation":"LESO 251300Z 03007KT
                 340V040 CAVOK 23/15 Q1010",
  "windDirection":30,
  "ICAO":"LESO", ...
```

GeoNames WebServices overview

		XML	JSON	RDF	CSV	TXT	RSS	KML
1	asterodem		XML	JSON		TXT		
2	children		XML	JSON				
3	cities		XML	JSON				
4	countryCode		XML	JSON		TXT		
5	countryInfo		XML	JSON	CSV			
6	countrySubdivision		XML	JSON				
7	earthquakes			JSON				
8	extendedFindNearby		XML					
9	findNearby		XML	JSON				
10	findNearbyPlaceName		XML	JSON				
11	findNearbyPostalCodes		XML	JSON				
12	findNearbyStreets US-only		XML	JSON				
13	findNearbyStreetsOSM		XML	JSON				
14	findNearByWeather Note-1		XML	JSON				
15	findNearbyWikipedia		XML	JSON			RSS	
16	findNearestAddress US-only		XML	JSON				
17	findNearestIntersection US-only		XML	JSON				
18	findNearestIntersectionOSM		XML	JSON				
19	get		XML	JSON				
20	gtopo30		XML	JSON		TXT		
21	hierarchy		XML	JSON				
22	neighbourhood US-only		XML	JSON				
23	neighbours		XML	JSON				
24	ocean		XML	JSON				
25	postalCodeCountryInfo		XML	JSON				
26	postalCodeLookup			JSON				
27	postalCodeSearch		XML	JSON				
28	rssToGeo						RSS	KML
29	search		XML	JSON	RDF			
30	siblings		XML	JSON				
31	srtm3		XML	JSON		TXT		
32	timezone Note-1		XML	JSON				
33	weather			JSON				
34	weatherIcao			JSON				
35	wikipediaBoundingBox		XML	JSON				
36	wikipediaSearch		XML	JSON				
	Total		31	34	1	1	4	2	1

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LOS Principles

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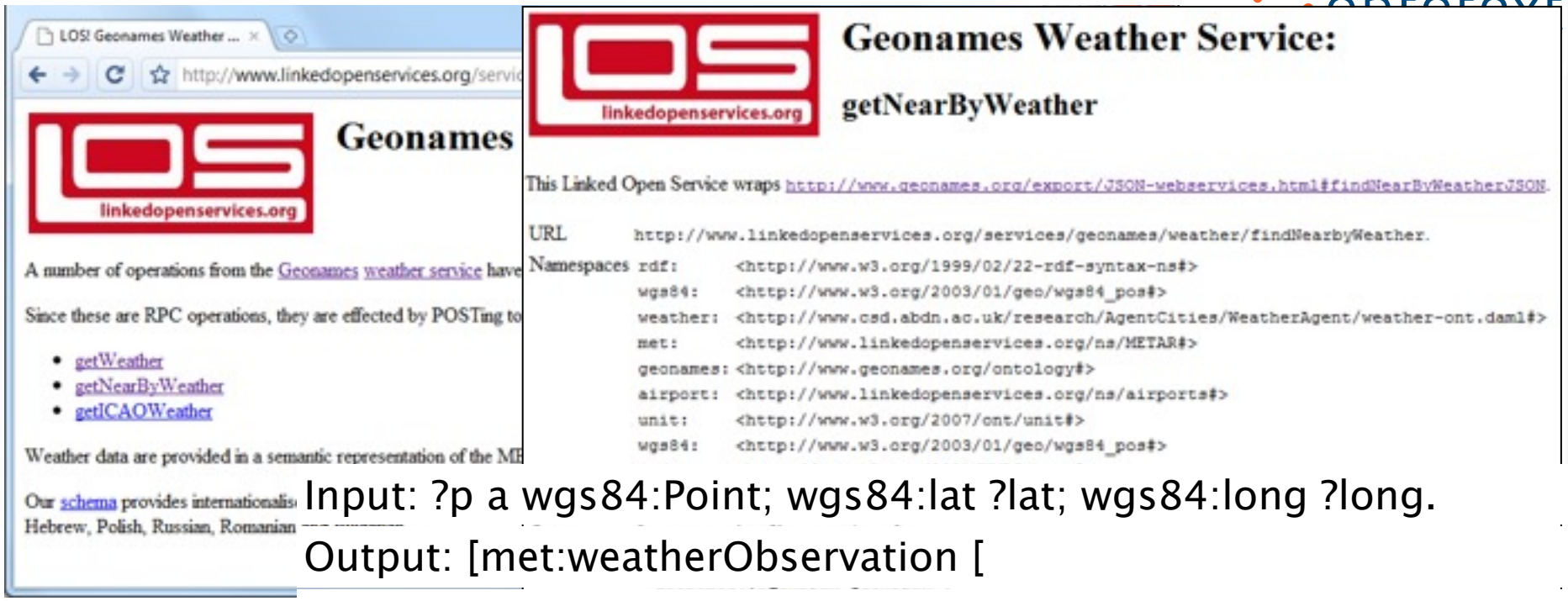
Linked Open Service Principles

1. Describe services as LOD prosumers with input and output descriptions as **SPARQL graph patterns**
2. **Communicate RDF** by RESTful content negotiation
3. The output should make explicit its **relation** with the input

Linked Open Services Principles

Describe services' input and output as
SPARQL graph patterns

LOS Weather Service



Input: ?p a wgs84:Point; wgs84:lat ?lat; wgs84:long ?long.

Output: [met:weatherObservation [

weather:hasStationID ?icao

geonames:inCountry ?country;

...

weather:hasWindEvent

[weather:windDirection ?windDirection],

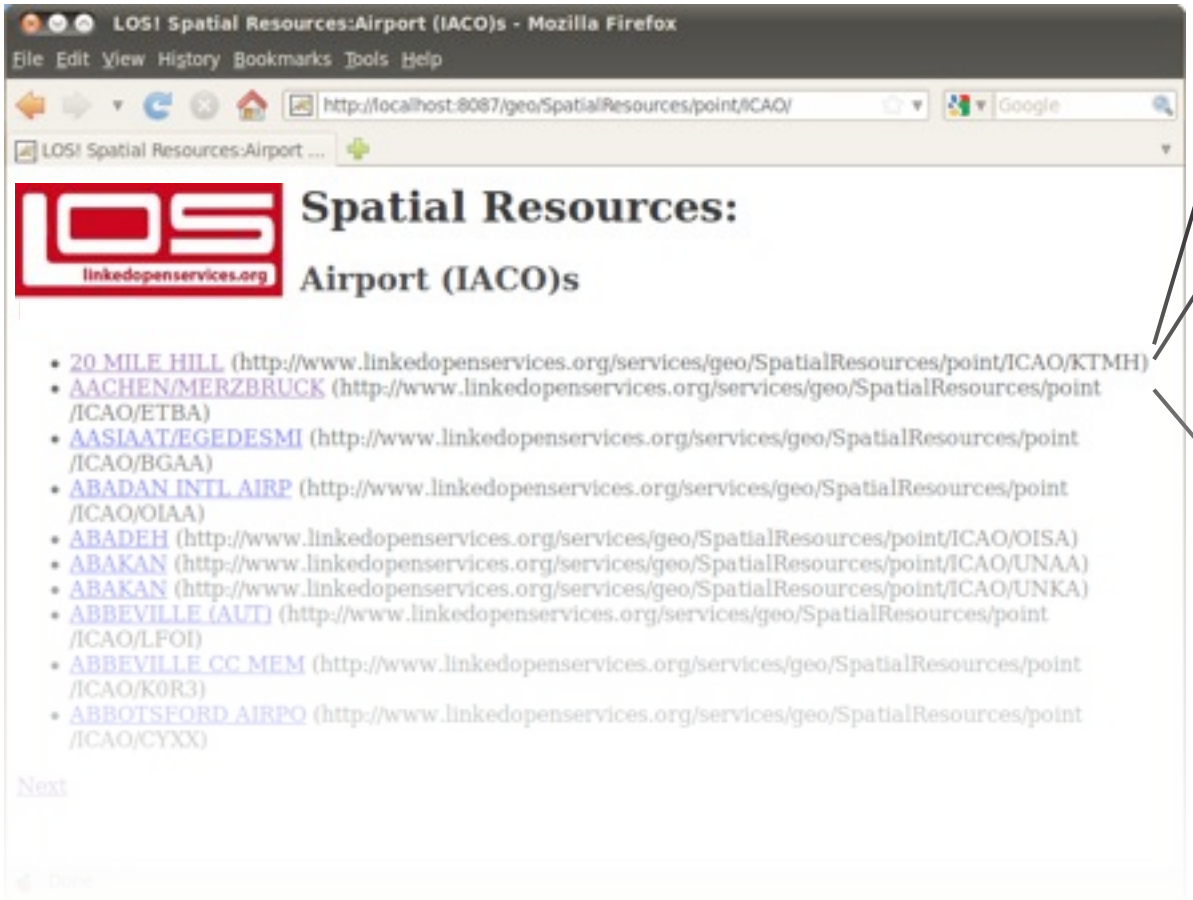
[weather:windSpeed ?windSpeed]

Linked Open Services Principles

Communicate RDF

by RESTful content negotiation

LOS Principle 2



GET
Accept: text/html

↓

303 REDIRECT /page

GET
Accept: application/rdf +xml
(or text/n3) ↓

303 REDIRECT /data

Linked Data

GET /weather
Accept: application/rdf +xml
(or text/n3)

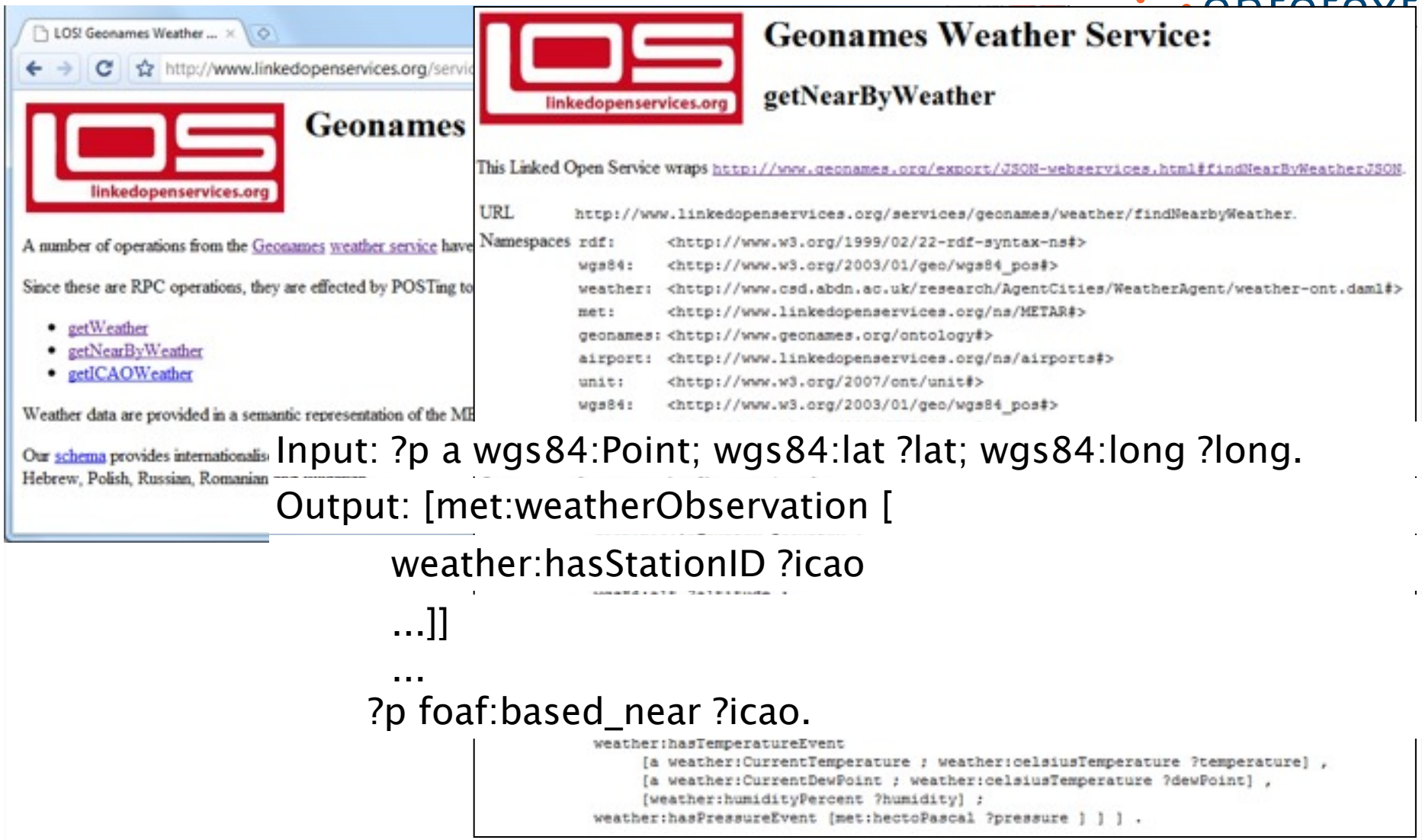
200 <rdf:Description>

Linked Service

Linked Open Services Principles

The **output** should make **explicit** its **relation** with the **input**.

LOS Weather Service



Input: ?p a wgs84:Point; wgs84:lat ?lat; wgs84:long ?long.

Output: [met:weatherObservation [

weather:hasStationID ?icao

...]]

...

?p foaf:based_near ?icao.

Linked Open Services Principles

When wrapping non-LOS services:

Make the **lifting/mapping open** as **SPARQL CONSTRUCT** queries

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LOS Wrapping Overview

JSON

```
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  "weatherCondition":"drizzle",
  "observation":"EDDT 031520Z 25013KT 9999 …",
  "countryCode":"DE“,
  "windDirection":30, ...
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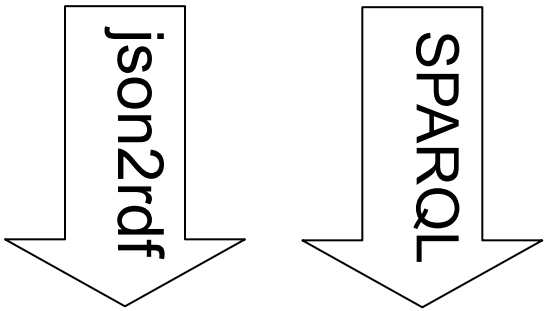
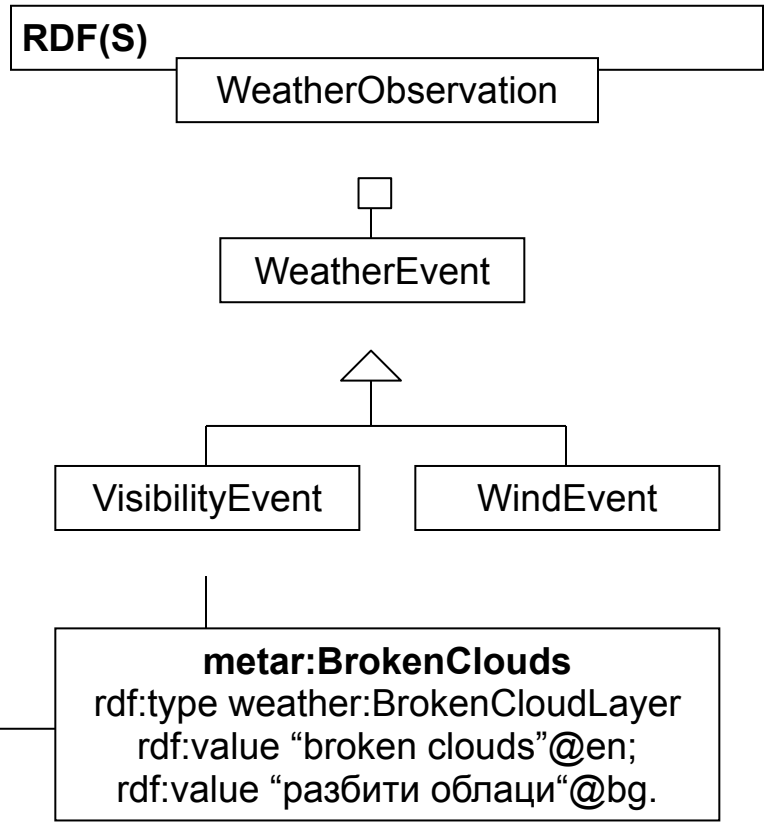


RDF

```
 [
weather:hasVisibilityEvent metar:BrokenClouds ;
weather:hasWeatherEvent metar:Drizzle ;
metar:observation “LESO 251…” ;
weather:hasWindEvent
    [weather:windDirection “30”^^xsd:integer]
]
```



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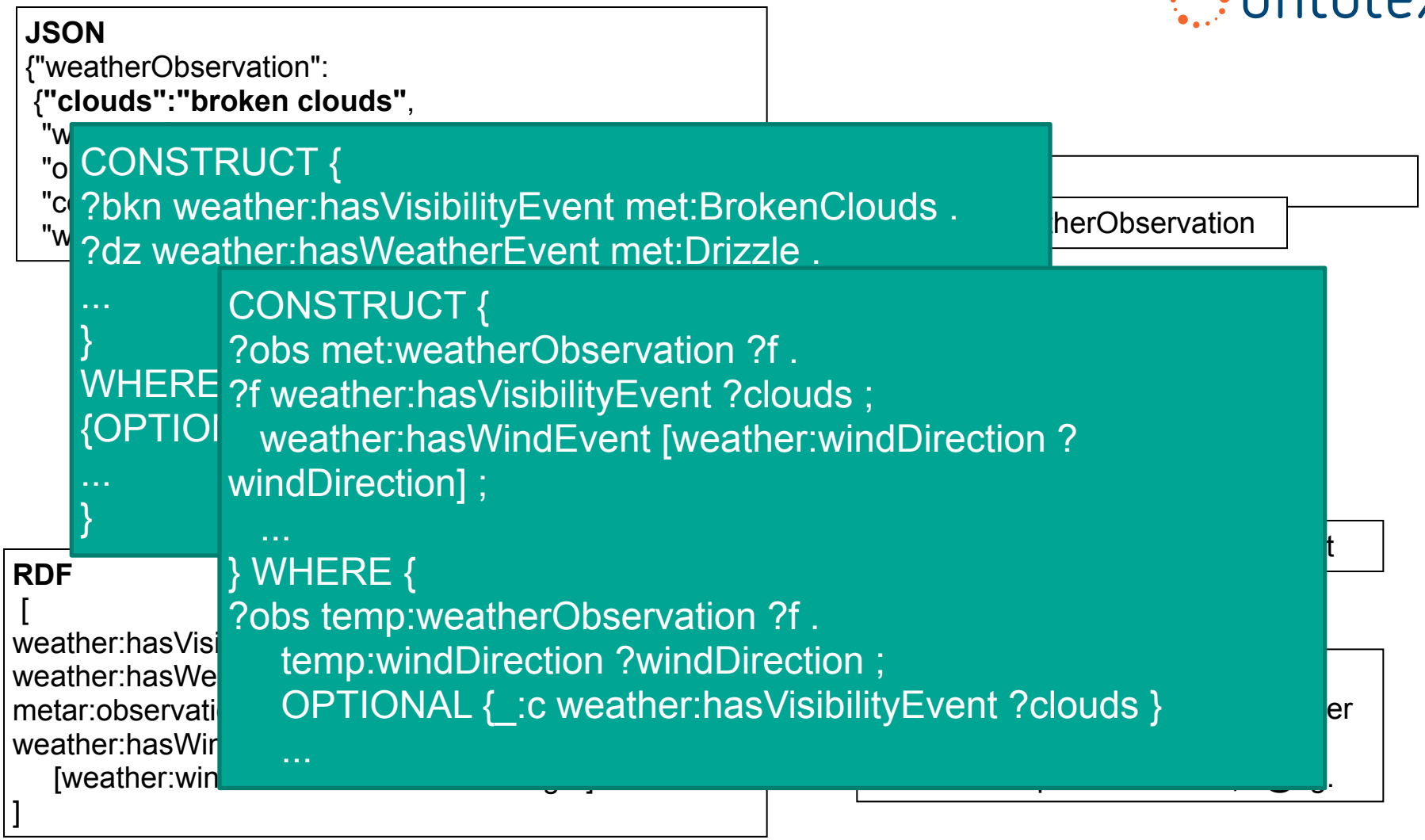

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  "windDirection":30, ...
```
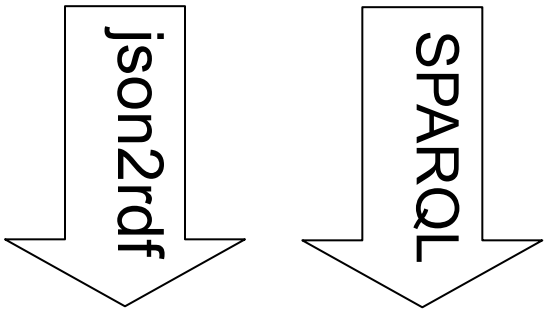
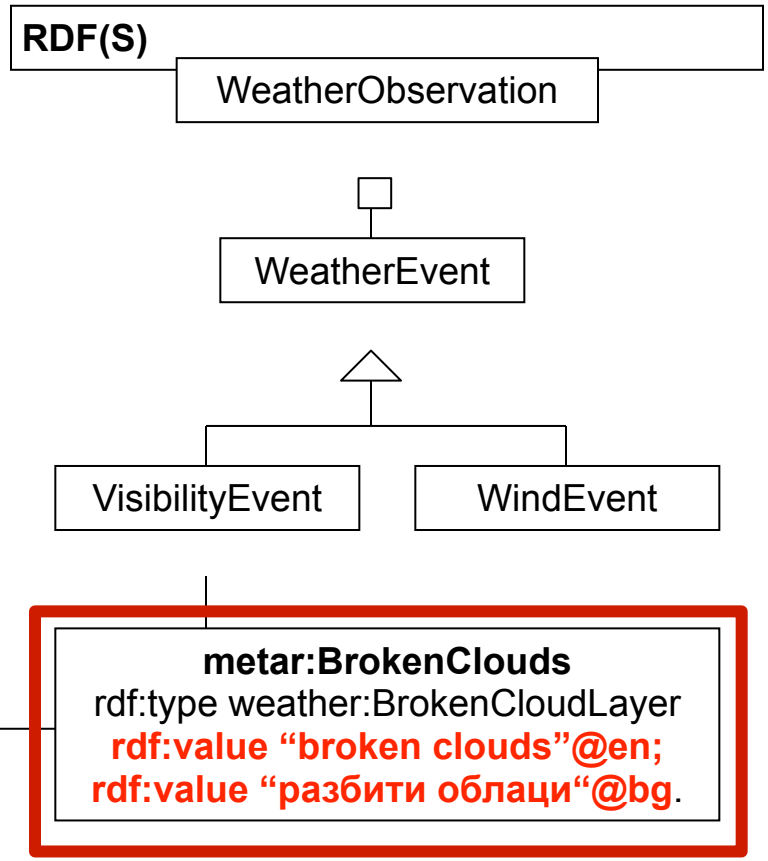



RDF

```
 [
weather:hasVisibilityEvent metar:BrokenClouds ;
weather:hasWeatherEvent metar:Drizzle ;
metar:observation “LESO 251…” ;
weather:hasWindEvent
    [weather:windDirection “30”^^xsd:integer]
]
```



Linked Data Output

```
_:a1 met:weatherObservation [
   weather:hasStationID
          <http://www.linkedopenservices.org/services/geo/SpatialResources/point/ICAO/
EDDT> ;
 met:stationName "Berlin-Tegel" ;
 geonames:inCountry "DE" ;
 wgs84:lat "52.566666"^^xsd:double ;
 wgs84:long "13.316667"^^xsd:double ;
 wgs84:alt "37.0"^^xsd:double ;
 met:datetime "2010-10-27 08:20:00" ;
 met:observation "EDDT 270820Z 18007KT CAVOK 06/02 Q1025 NOSIG" ;
 weather:hasVisibilityEvent metar:BrokenCloud ;
 weather:hasWindEvent [weather:windDirection "180"^^xsd:short] ,
                      [weather:windSpeedKnots "07"^^xsd:short] ;
 weather:hasTemperatureEvent
          [a weather:CurrentTemperature ; weather:celsiusTemperature "6"^^xsd:short] ,
        [a weather:CurrentDewPoint ; weather:celsiusTemperature "2"^^xsd:short] ,
        [weather:humidityPercent "75"^^xsd:short ;
 weather:hasPressureEvent [met:hectoPascal "1025"^^xsd:integer] ] .
```

Geonames Airports

```
$ curl http://ws.geonames.org/search?featureCode=AIRP\&type=rdf
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" standalone="no"?>
<rdf:RDF xmlns="http://www.geonames.org/ontology#" xmlns:cc="http://creativecomm
ons.org/ns#" xmlns:dcterms="http://purl.org/dc/terms/" xmlns:foaf="http://xmlns.
com/foaf/0.1/" xmlns:owl="http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#" xmlns:rdf="http://www.
w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#" xmlns:wgs84_pos="http://www.w3.org/2003/01/geo
/wgs84_pos#">
<Feature rdf:about="http://sws.geonames.org/588404/">
<name>Tallinn Airport</name>
<alternateName xml:lang="ru">?????????? ????????</alternateName>
<alternateName xml:lang="iata">TLL</alternateName>
<alternateName xml:lang="en">Tallinn Airport</alternateName>
<alternateName xml:lang="et">Tallinna lennujaam</alternateName>
<alternateName xml:lang="icao">EETN</alternateName>
<featureClass rdf:resource="http://www.geonames.org/ontology#S"/>
<featureCode rdf:resource="http://www.geonames.org/ontology#S.AIRP"/>
<inCountry rdf:resource="http://www.geonames.org/countries/#EE"/>
<countryCode>EE</countryCode>
<wgs84_pos:lat>59.4165050845691</wgs84_pos:lat>
<wgs84_pos:long>24.7994041442871</wgs84_pos:long>
<nearbyFeatures rdf:resource="http://sws.geonames.org/588404/nearby.rdf"/>
<locationMap rdf:resource="http://www.geonames.org/588404/tallinn-airport.html"/
>
</Feature>
<Feature rdf:about="http://sws.geonames.org/1619461/">
```

‘alternateName’ for both labels and identification schemes (ICAO, IATA)

Only ~100 resources

WGS84 geospatial, but only lat/ long (not alt)

```
$ curl http://ws.geonames.org/search?featureCode=AIRP\&type=rdf | grep -i '</Fe
ature' | wc
  % Total    % Received % Xferd  Average Speed   Time    Time     Time  Current
                                 Dload  Upload   Total   Spent    Left  Speed
100 87281    0 87281    0     0   390k      0 --:--:-- --:--:-- --:--:--  495k
    100     100    1100
```

DBPedia Airports

About: Baden Airpark

An Entity of Type : airport, from Named Graph : http://dbpedia.org, within Data Space : dbpedia.org

Baden Airpark, or officially Flughafen Karlsruhe/Baden-Baden, is an international airport located in Rheinmünster in the state of Baden-Württemberg in Germany, 40 km (25 mi) south of Karlsruhe, 12 km (7.5 mi) west of Baden-Baden and 55 km (34 mi) north of Strasbourg, France. In 2004, it was the second-largest airport in Baden-Württemberg, and the 18th-largest in Germany with 970,000 passengers per year. The number of passengers for 2008 was listed at 1,151,583.

Property	Value
dbpprop:iata	• FKB
dbpprop:icao	• EDSB
geo:lat	• 48.779444 (xsd:double) • 48.779446 (xsd:float)
geo:long	• 8.080556 (xsd:double) • 8.080556 (xsd:float)

Some ICAO, IATA (with specific properties) but noisy

Some WGS84, but not consistently

```
Bad DBPedia IATA: NF
Bad DBPedia IATA: N6
Bad DBPedia IATA: LH
Bad DBPedia IATA: LH
Bad DBPedia IATA: FF
Bad DBPedia IATA: 9.0^^http://dbpedia.org/datatype/watt
```

~3500 verifiable airports (see next)

NCAR METAR Station List

```
! Author: Greg Thompson  NCAR/RAP
!         please mail corrections to gthompsn (at) ucar (dot) edu
! Date: 16 Aug 2010
! This file is continuously maintaine
! http://www.rap.ucar.edu/weather/su
!
! This file is organized by state alp
! province and then all other statio
! of the following:
!      METAR sites
!      NEXRADs
!      rawinsonde sites
!      wind profilers
!      WFOs, RFCs, NCEP-Centers
!      AIRMET/SIGMET station list (VC
!      ARTCCs (Air Route Traffic Cont
!      old SAO sites for archive data
!
!   Country abbreviations from ISO 31
!   source:  ftp://ftp.fu-berlin.de/c
!   another: http://www.iso.org/iso/e
!
!   CD = 2 letter state (province) ab
!   STATION = 16 character station ic
!   ICAO = 4-character international
!   IATA = 3-character (FAA) id
!   SYNOP = 5-digit international syn
!   LAT = Latitude (degrees minutes)
!   LON = Longitude (degree minutes)
!   ELEV = Station elevation (meters)
!   M = METAR reporting station.   Al
!   N = NEXRAD (WSR-88D) Radar site
```

```
SLOVAKIA              21-JUL-08
    BRATISLAVA IVANK LZIB       11816  48 10N  017 13E  134   X      T            6 SK
    POPRAD/TATRY     LZTT       11934  49 04N  020 15E  707   X      T            6 SK
    KOSICE BARCA     LZKZ       11968  48 40N  021 14E  232   X      T            6 SK
    PIESTANY         LZPP       11826  48 37N  017 50E  161   X                   7 SK
    SLIAC            LZSL       11903  48 38N  019 08E  313   X                   7 SK
    POPRAD/GANOVCE              11952  49 02N  020 19E  701                 X     7 SK
    PRIEVIDZA        LZPE              48 46N  018 35E  260                       7 SK
    NITRA            LZNI              48 17N  018 08E  135   X                   7 SK
    ZILINA           LZZI              49 14N  018 37E  311                       7 SK

ISRAEL                27-DEC-01
    BEN-GURION(CIV/M LLBG       40180  32 00N  034 53E   49   X      T            6 IL
    BEER-SHEVA/TEYMA LLBS       40191  31 17N  034 43E  200   X                   7 IL
    ELAT/J. HOZMAN(A LLET       40199  29 33N  034 57E   13   X      T            6 IL
    HAIFA (ISR-AFB)  LLHA       40155  32 47N  035 01E    8   X                   7 IL
    JERUSALEM/ATAROT LLJR       40290  31 52N  035 13E  759   X      T            6 IL
    OVDA (ISR-AFB/CI LLOV       40198  29 56N  034 56E  432   X      T            6 IL

MALTA                 27-DEC-01
    LUQA/MALTA       LMML       16597  35 51N  014 28E   91   X      T            6 MT
    MALTA ACC        LMMM              35 53N  014 31E   95   X                   7 MT

AUSTRIA               08-MAY-06
    KREMS-LANGENLOIS LOAG              48 27N  015 38E  312   X                   7 AT
    NIEDEROSTERREICH LOAN              47 51N  016 15E  272   X                   7 AT
    VOESLAU-KOTTINGB LOAV       11181  47 58N  016 16E  233   X      T            6 AT
    PUNITZ/GUESSING  LOGG       11195  47 09N  016 19E  290   X                   7 AT
    HOHENEMS-DORNBIR LOIH              47 23N  009 42E  418   X      T            6 AT
    OBEROSTERREICH   LOLF              48 31N  014 25E  685   X                   7 AT
    GRAZ (MIL/CIV)   LOWG       11240  47 00N  015 25E  347   X      T     X      6 AT
    INNSBRUCK AIRPOR LOWI       11120  47 16N  011 20E  581   X      T     X      6 AT
```

~8500 airports and other METAR reporting stations

LOS METAR Data

```
$ curl http://www.linkedopenservices.org/data/METARStations.rdf.xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<rdf:RDF
        xmlns:rdfs="http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#"
        xmlns:ICAO="http://www.linkedopenservices.org/services/geo/SpatialResour
ces/ICAO#"
        xmlns:wgs84="http://www.w3.org/2003/01/geo/wgs84_pos#"
        xmlns:rdf="http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#"
        xmlns:SR="http://www.linkedopenservices.org/services/geo/SpatialResource
s/">

<rdf:Description rdf:about="http://www.linkedopenservices.org/services/geo/Spati
alResources/point/ICAO">
        <rdfs:subClassOf rdf:resource="http://www.w3.org/2003/01/geo/wgs84_pos#P
oint"/>
        <rdfs:label>Airport (ICAO)</rdfs:label>
</rdf:Description>

<rdf:Description rdf:about="http://www.linkedopenservices.org/services/geo/Spati
alResources/point/IATA">
        <rdfs:subClassOf rdf:resource="http://www.w3.org/2003/01/geo/wgs84_pos#P
oint"/>
        <rdfs:label>Airport (IATA)</rdfs:label>
</rdf:Description>

<rdf:Description rdf:about="http://www.linkedopenservices.org/services/geo/Spati
alResources/point/ICAO/PADK">
        <rdfs:label>ADAK NAS</rdfs:label>
        <rdf:type rdf:resource="http://www.linkedopenservices.org/services/geo/S
patialResources/point/ICAO"/>
        <wgs84:lat rdf:datatype="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#double">51.883
33333333333</wgs84:lat>
        <wgs84:long rdf:datatype="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#double">-176.
65</wgs84:long>
        <wgs84:alt rdf:datatype="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#double">4.0</w
gs84:alt>
        <notation xmlns="http://www.w3.org/2004/02/skos/core#" rdf:datatype="htt
p://de.dbpedia.org/resource/ICAO-Code">PADK</notation>
</rdf:Description>

<rdf:Description rdf:about="http://www.linkedopenservices.org/services/geo/Spati
```

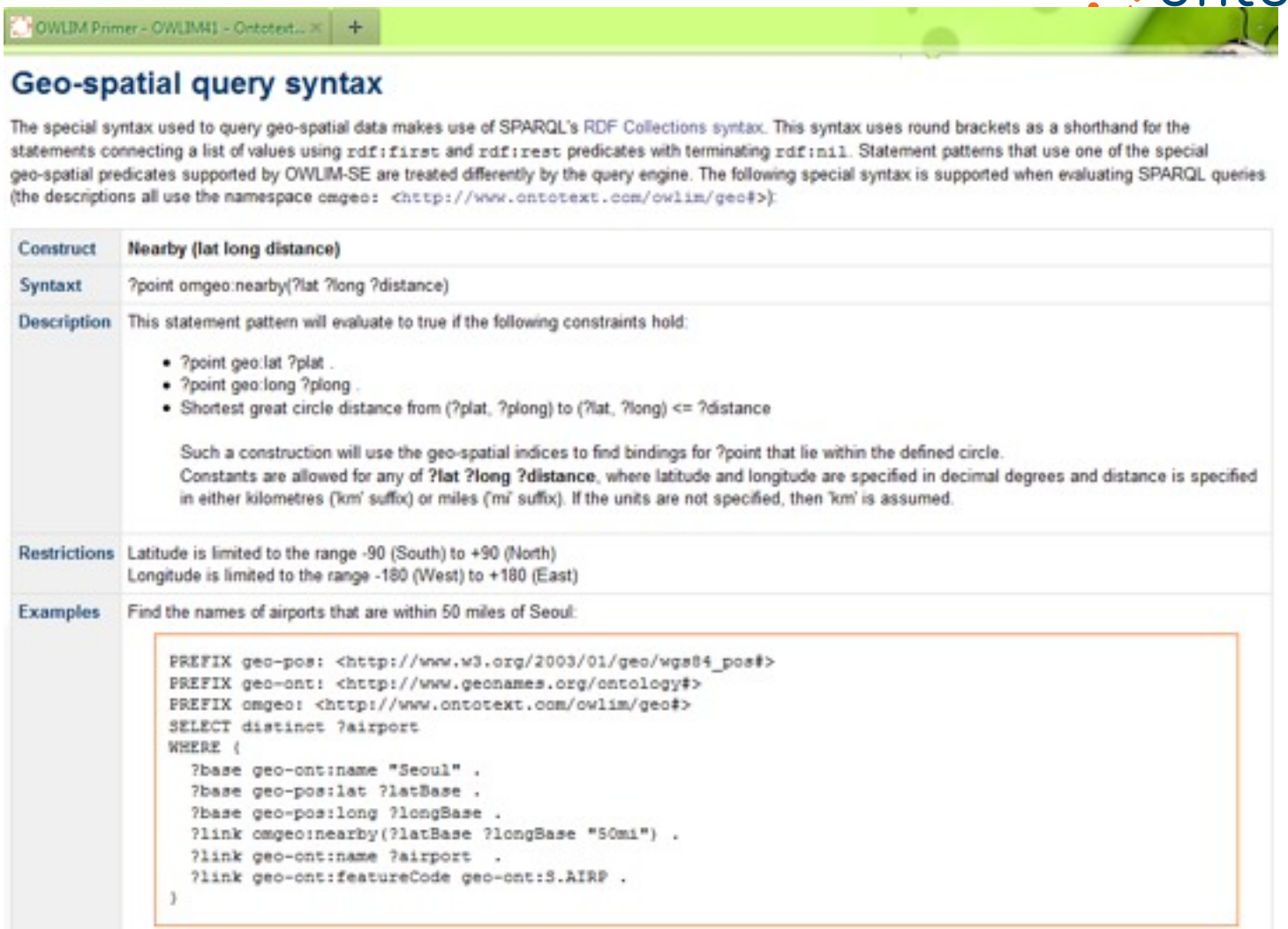
Uniform WGS84 lat/ long/alt

ICAO and IATA-based URIs plus skos:notation to originals

owl:sameAs
- between ICAO/IATA
- to Geonames (108)
- to DBPedia (1159)

http://www.linkedopenservices.org/data/METARStations.rdf.xml

OWLIM Geospatial Extensions



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Geo-spatial query syntax

The special syntax used to query geo-spatial data makes use of SPARQL's RDF Collections syntax. This syntax uses round brackets as a shorthand for the statements connecting a list of values using `rdf:first` and `rdf:rest` predicates with terminating `rdf:nil`. Statement patterns that use one of the special geo-spatial predicates supported by OWLIM-SE are treated differently by the query engine. The following special syntax is supported when evaluating SPARQL queries (the descriptions all use the namespace `omgeo: <http://www.ontotext.com/owlim/geo#>`):

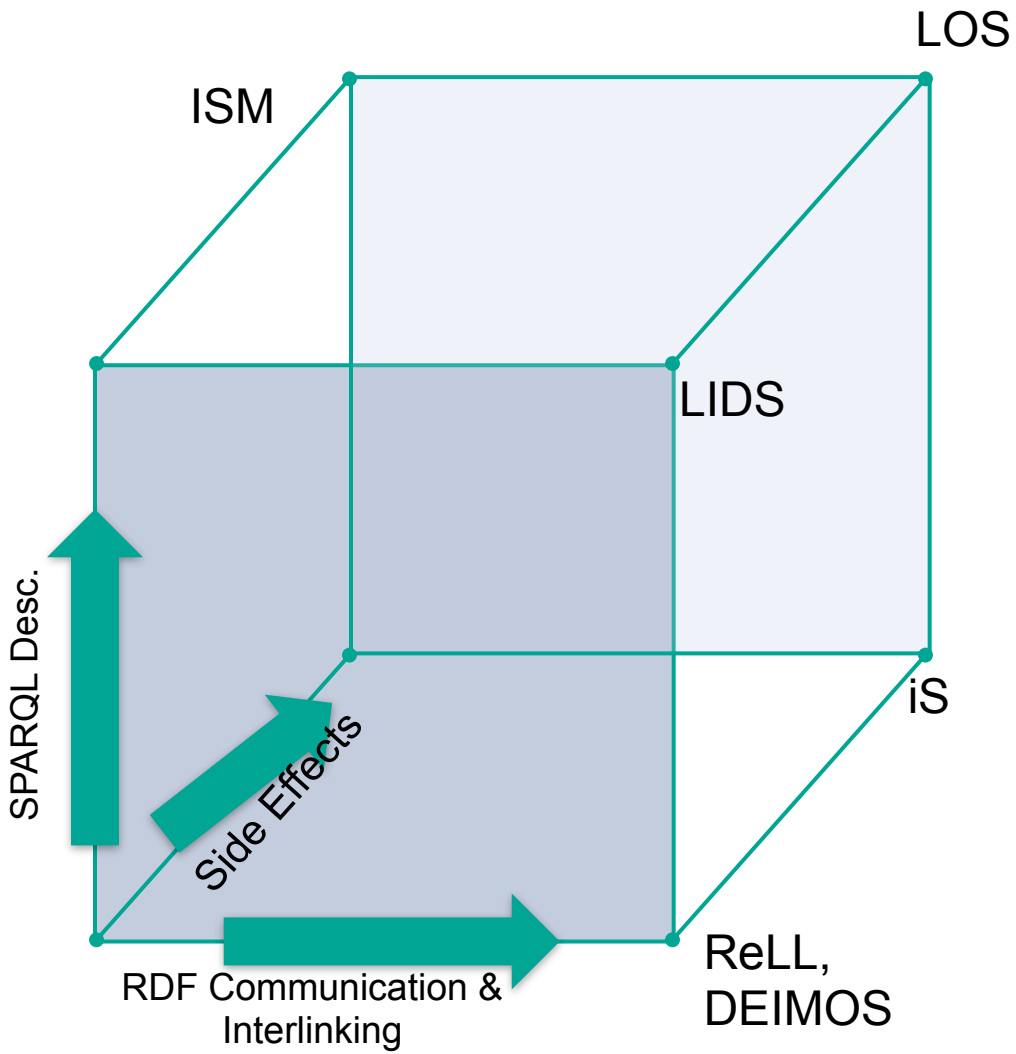
Construct	**Nearby (lat long distance)**
Syntaxt	?point omgeo:nearby(?lat ?long ?distance)
Description	This statement pattern will evaluate to true if the following constraints hold: • ?point geo:lat ?plat . • ?point geo:long ?plong . • Shortest great circle distance from (?plat, ?plong) to (?lat, ?long) <= ?distance Such a construction will use the geo-spatial indices to find bindings for ?point that lie within the defined circle. Constants are allowed for any of **?lat ?long ?distance**, where latitude and longitude are specified in decimal degrees and distance is specified in either kilometres ('km' suffix) or miles ('mi' suffix). If the units are not specified, then 'km' is assumed.
Restrictions	Latitude is limited to the range -90 (South) to +90 (North) Longitude is limited to the range -180 (West) to +180 (East)
Examples	Find the names of airports that are within 50 miles of Seoul:

```
PREFIX geo-pos: <http://www.w3.org/2003/01/geo/wgs84_pos#>
PREFIX geo-ont: <http://www.geonames.org/ontology#>
PREFIX omgeo: <http://www.ontotext.com/owlim/geo#>
SELECT distinct ?airport
WHERE {
  ?base geo-ont:name "Seoul" .
  ?base geo-pos:lat ?latBase .
  ?base geo-pos:long ?longBase .
  ?link omgeo:nearby(?latBase ?longBase "50mi") .
  ?link geo-ont:name ?airport  .
  ?link geo-ont:featureCode geo-ont:S.AIRP .
}
```

Related Activities

- Apache Incubator Clerezza
  - Components (bundles) for building RESTful Semantic Web applications and services leveraging Jax-RS
- Linked Services / iServe
  - A platform for publishing and browsing Semantic Web services as linked data, based on OWLIM
- Linked Data Services (LIDS)
  - An interface spec for data-services, accompanied by a machine-interpretable description of inputs and outputs.
- Iqbal, Sdobio & Moulin
  - Pre and post-conditions, as well as user goals in SPARQL

Related Activities



- ReLL = Resource Linking Language, Wilde (Berkeley)
- DEIMOS, Ambite et al. (USC)
- iS = iServe, Pedrinaci et al. (OU)
- ISM = Iqbal, Sbodio & Moulin (Galway)
- LIDS = Linked Data Services, Speiser & Harth (AIFB)
- LOS = Linked Open Services (Innsbruck -> AIFB)