Panel: Linked Data: Now What?

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Mashing data

- All social network data can be represented as file triples
- Common framework to "mash" network data from diverse sources
- Performance challenges (circa 2005)

Querying data

 Look for "structural signatures" – A is friends with B who is cited by C who is an expert on X

 Use "structural signatures" to make recommendations. Recommend that A contact C because

• Performance challenges

Reasoning about data

• If C is an expert on X and Y is a sub-speciality of X, then C is an expert on Y

Gains for Social Network Research

- Larger amounts of data
- Higher resolution data
- Longitudinal data
- Mashing data
- Querying data
- Reasoning and inference over data

Gains for Semantic Web community

 Making recommendations motivated by social network theories

 Making recommendations motivated by social network analytic methods

• Identification of killer applications

Untested Conjecture

- Exposing Linked Data has gone past the Tipping Point.
- But where are the applications using Linked Data?

While Linked Data is proliferating, the killer application will require the addition of the "social" into the data

- The case of PopSciGrid:
 - Analyzing same variables across diverse data sources
 - Recommending workflow, datasets, documents and people

Semantic Web Integration Initial Test Bed

