

Introduction to Linked Open Data

Tutorial

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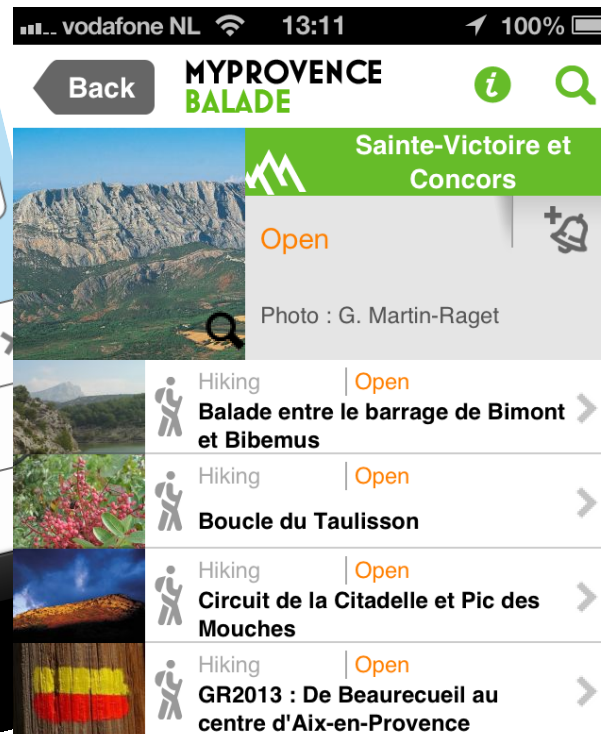
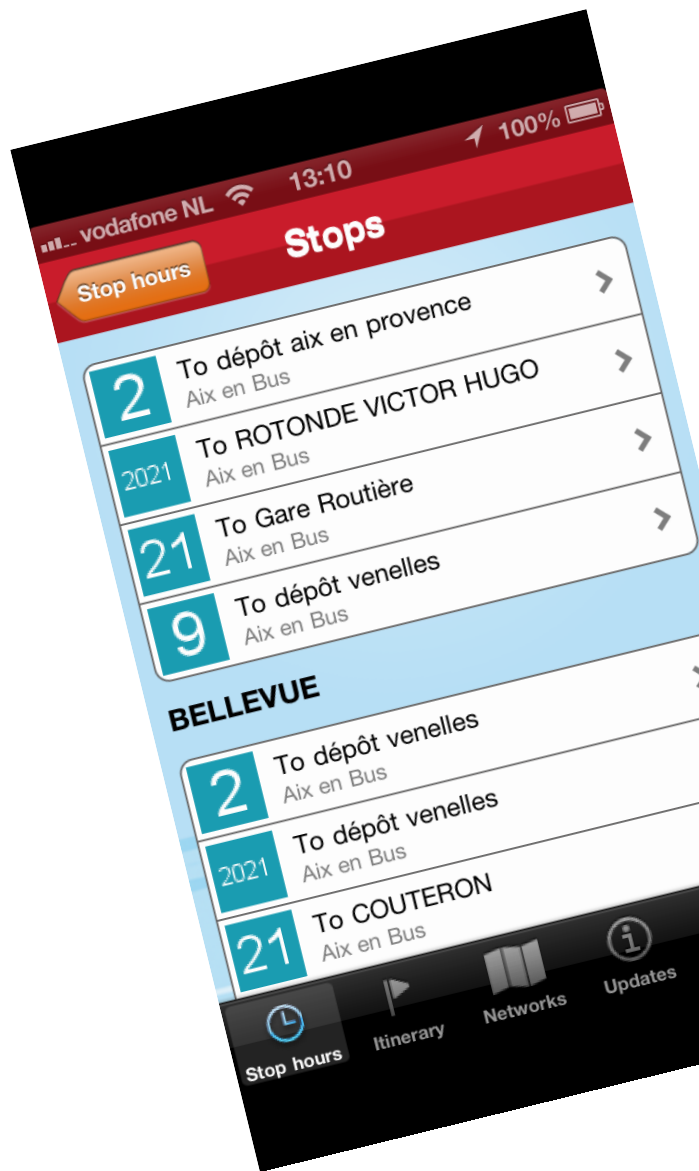
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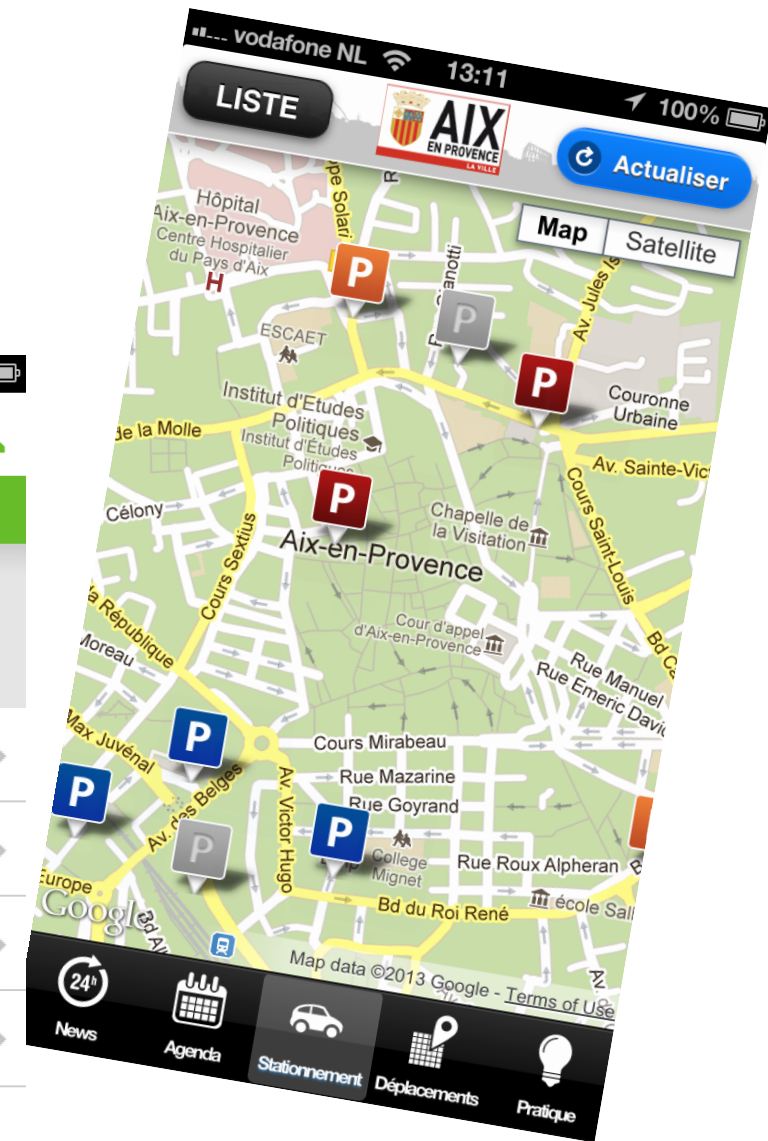
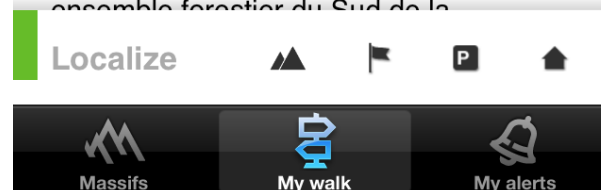
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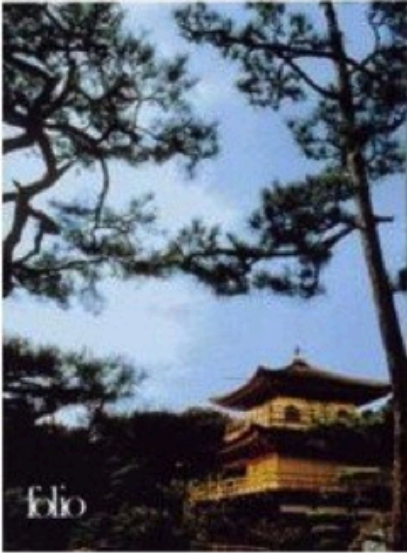
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Take a specific example

The Music site of the BBC

The screenshot shows the BBC Music website for Eric Clapton. The browser address bar displays the URL www.bbc.co.uk/music/artists/618b6900-0618-4f1e-b835-bccb17f84294. The page features the BBC logo and navigation links for News, Sport, Weather, iPlayer, TV, Radio, and More... A search bar is located in the top right. Below the navigation bar, the 'iPlayer Radio' logo is visible, along with links for WHAT'S NEW?, Stations, Categories, Programmes, and Favourites. The main section is titled 'MUSIC' and includes links for HOME, SHOWCASE, and GENRES. A search bar for 'Search By Artist...' is present. The artist's name 'Eric Clapton' is prominently displayed, with his birth date 'Born 30 March 1945.' below it. A video player shows a live performance of Eric Clapton playing guitar and singing, with a BBC Radio 6 logo in the top left corner. Below the video, the text '6 MUSIC LIVE HOUR | BBC RADIO 6 MUSIC' and 'Eric Clapton - Archive Concert (1986)' is shown, followed by a description: 'The Eric Clapton band recorded live in concert in Dallas, Texas in 1986.' To the right of the video, there is a 'Share This Page' section with a '10 so far' count and social media sharing options. Below this is a 'More BBC Music Highlights' section featuring a graphic for 'BBC RADIO 1's BIG WEEKEND'. At the bottom right, a 'Latest Tracks Played On The BBC' section is visible, with the first track being 'Wonderful Tonight' by Eric Clapton, played on BBC Radio 2 as part of 'STEVE WRIGHT'S SUNDAY LOVE SONGS' on 16/06/2013.

BBC - Music - Eric Clapton

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How to build such a site 1.

- ▶ Site editors roam the Web for new facts
 - may discover further links while roaming
- ▶ They update the site manually
- ▶ And the site gets soon out-of-date ☹

How to build such a site 2.

- ▶ Editors roam the Web for new data published on Web sites
- ▶ “Scrape” the sites with a program to extract the information
 - I.e., write some code to incorporate the new data
- ▶ Easily get out of date again... ☹

How to build such a site 3.

- ▶ Editors roam the Web for new data via API-s
- ▶ Understand those...
 - input, output arguments, datatypes used, etc
 - hope that the necessary portion of the data is released through the API
- ▶ Write some code to incorporate the new data
- ▶ Easily get out of date again... ☹

The choice of the BBC

- ▶ Use external, public datasets
 - Wikipedia, MusicBrainz, ...
- ▶ They are available as data
 - not API-s or hidden on a Web site
 - data can be extracted using, e.g., HTTP requests or standard queries

In short...

- ▶ Use the Web of Data as a Content Management System
- ▶ Use the community at large as content editors

And this is no secret...

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar displaying www.bbc.co.uk/music/artists/618b6900-0618-4f1e-b835-bccb17f84294. The page content includes links to Last.fm, Discogs, and MusicBrainz. A section titled 'MEMBER OF' lists bands like Cream and The Yardbirds. Another section 'COLLABORATED ON' mentions The Dirty Mac. 'PERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS' notes his marriage to Pattie Boyd. A circled disclaimer states: 'Links & information come from MusicBrainz. You can add or edit information about Eric Clapton at musicbrainz.org. Find out more about our use of this data. The BBC is not responsible for the content of external sites.' The 'BBC Reviews' section features reviews of 'Me And Mr Johnson' (2004) and 'Martin Scorsese Presents... Eric Clapton' (2003). A 'Similar Artists' sidebar lists Derek and the Dominos, J.J. Cale, John Mayall, and Stevie Ray Vaughan.

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Data on the Web

- ▶ There are more and more data on the Web
 - government data, health related data, general knowledge, company information, flight information, restaurants,...
- ▶ More and more applications rely on the availability of that data

But... data are often in isolation, “silos”



Imagine...

- ▶ A “Web” where
 - documents are available for download on the Internet
 - but there would be no hyperlinks among them

And the problem is real...

The image shows three overlapping web browser windows, each displaying a different neuroscience database interface.

- CoCoDat - Collation of Cortical Data - Mozilla Firefox**: The top-left window shows the CoCoDat homepage. It features a navigation bar with links like 'CoCoMac', 'DATABASES', 'ORT', and 'EXAMPLES'. The main content area is titled 'CoCoDat: Collation of Cortical Is microcircuitry] Data' and describes the database as a microcircuitry database that publishes experimental reports. It lists various data types available, such as Morphology, Firing properties, Ionic currents, Ionic conductances, Synaptic currents, and Connectivity. A list of available data tables is also shown, including Brain region, Layer, and Neuron type.
- Cell Centered Database - Mozilla Firefox**: The top-right window displays the 'Cell Centered Database Gallery' from the National Center for Microscopy and Imaging Research. It features a prominent 'Gallery' title and a navigation bar with links like 'Data', 'Search', 'Gallery', 'Dictionary', 'Publications', 'MyCCDB', 'Data Download', 'Contact us', and 'Help'. Below the navigation bar, there are tabs for '2D image', 'Reconstruction', 'Segmentation', and 'Animation'.
- NeuronDB = Thalamic relay neuron - Overview (A) () - Mozilla Firefox**: The bottom window shows the 'NeuronDB' interface for a 'Thalamic relay neuron'. It includes a 'Back' link and a 'Mode' dropdown menu. The 'Region' section lists various compartments like 'Distal equivalent dendrite', 'Middle equivalent dendrite', 'Proximal equivalent dendrite', 'Soma', 'Axon hillock', 'Axon fiber', 'Axon terminal', and 'All Compartments'. The 'Properties' section lists 'Receptors', 'Channels', 'Transmitters', and 'All Properties'. The 'Interoperation' section links to 'Gene and Chromosome', 'Experimental Data (neurodatabase.org)', and 'Microscopy Data (CCDB)'. The 'Neuron type' is listed as 'principal' and the 'Organism' as 'Vertebrates'. A diagram of the neuron is shown, with labels for 'S', 'Ded', 'Dem', and 'Dep'. A list of regions is provided with 'Show' and 'other' links: 1. Equivalent dendrite, 2. Distal equivalent dendrite, 3. Middle equivalent dendrite, 4. Proximal equivalent dendrite, and 5. Soma.

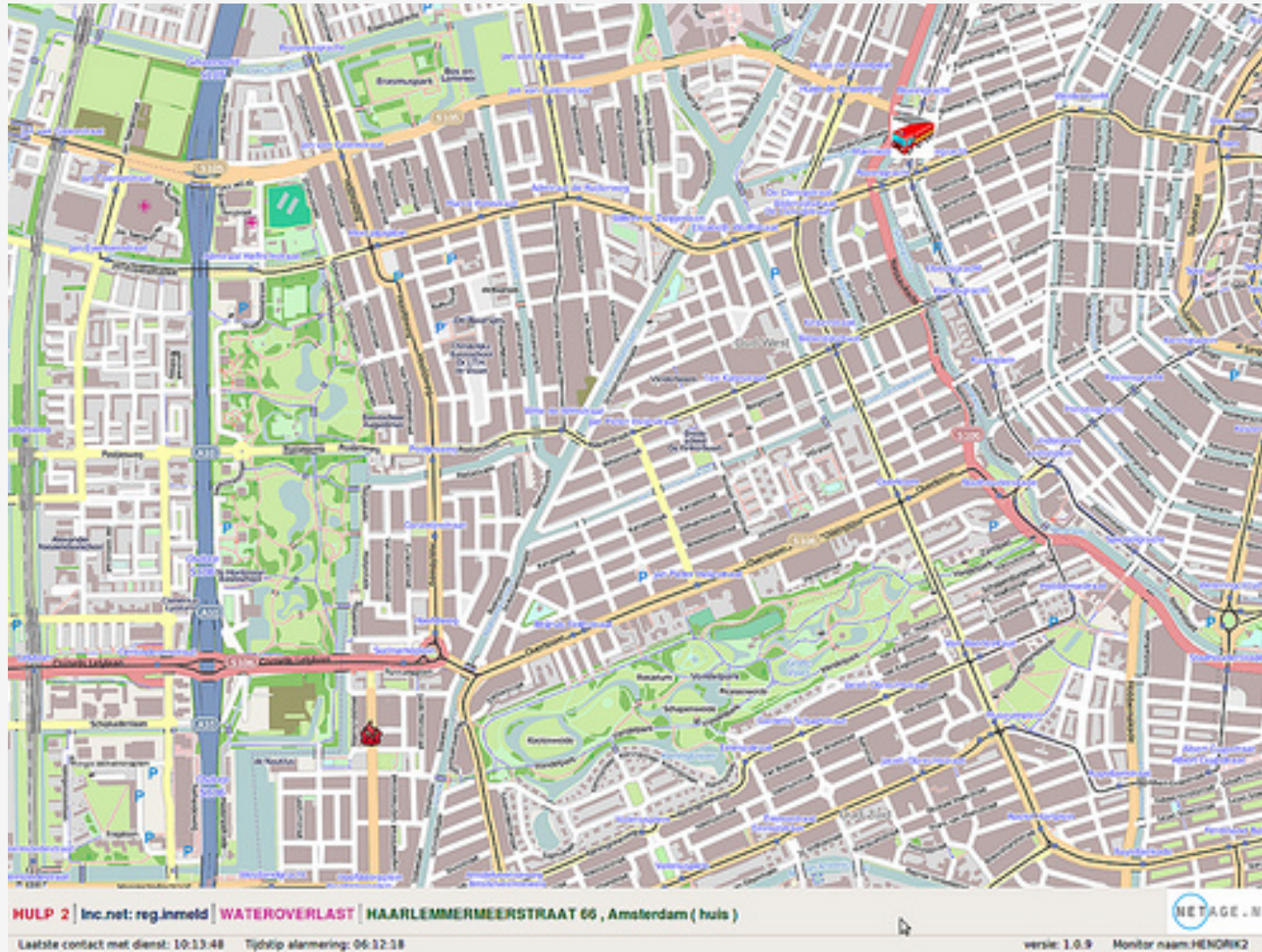
Data on the Web is not enough...

- ▶ We need a proper infrastructure for a real Web of Data
 - data is available on the Web
 - accessible via standard Web technologies
 - data are interlinked over the Web
 - i.e., data can be integrated over the Web
- ▶ This is where Linked Data come in

I.e.,... connect the silos



Example: Amsterdam fire brigade routing



- ▶ Find the best possible route from the station to the fire
 - e.g., where are the roadblocks?
- ▶ Use and integrate available city data
- ▶ Also: republish the structured data for others to use!

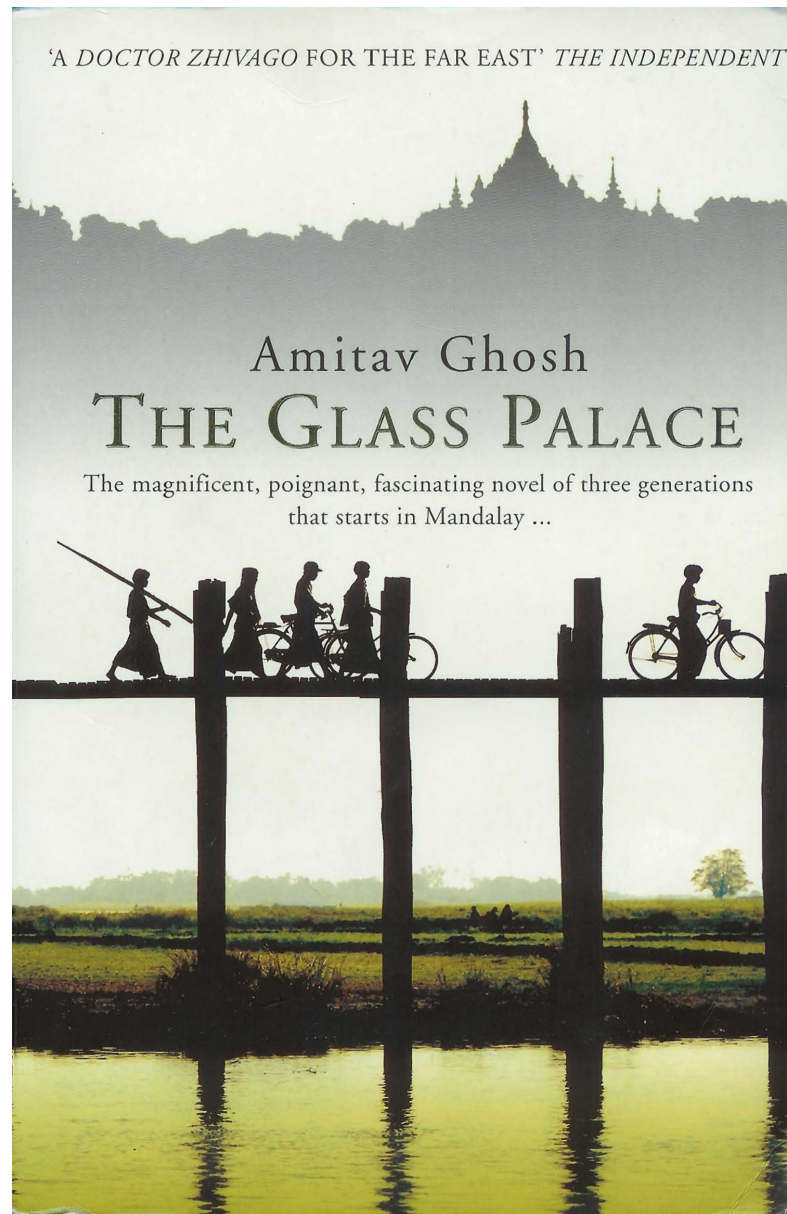
In what follows...

- ▶ We will use a simplistic example to introduce the main technical concepts

The rough structure of data integration

- ▶ Map the various data onto an abstract data representation
 - make the data independent of its internal representation...
- ▶ Merge the resulting representations
- ▶ Start making, e.g., queries on the whole!
 - queries not possible on the individual data sets

We start with a book...



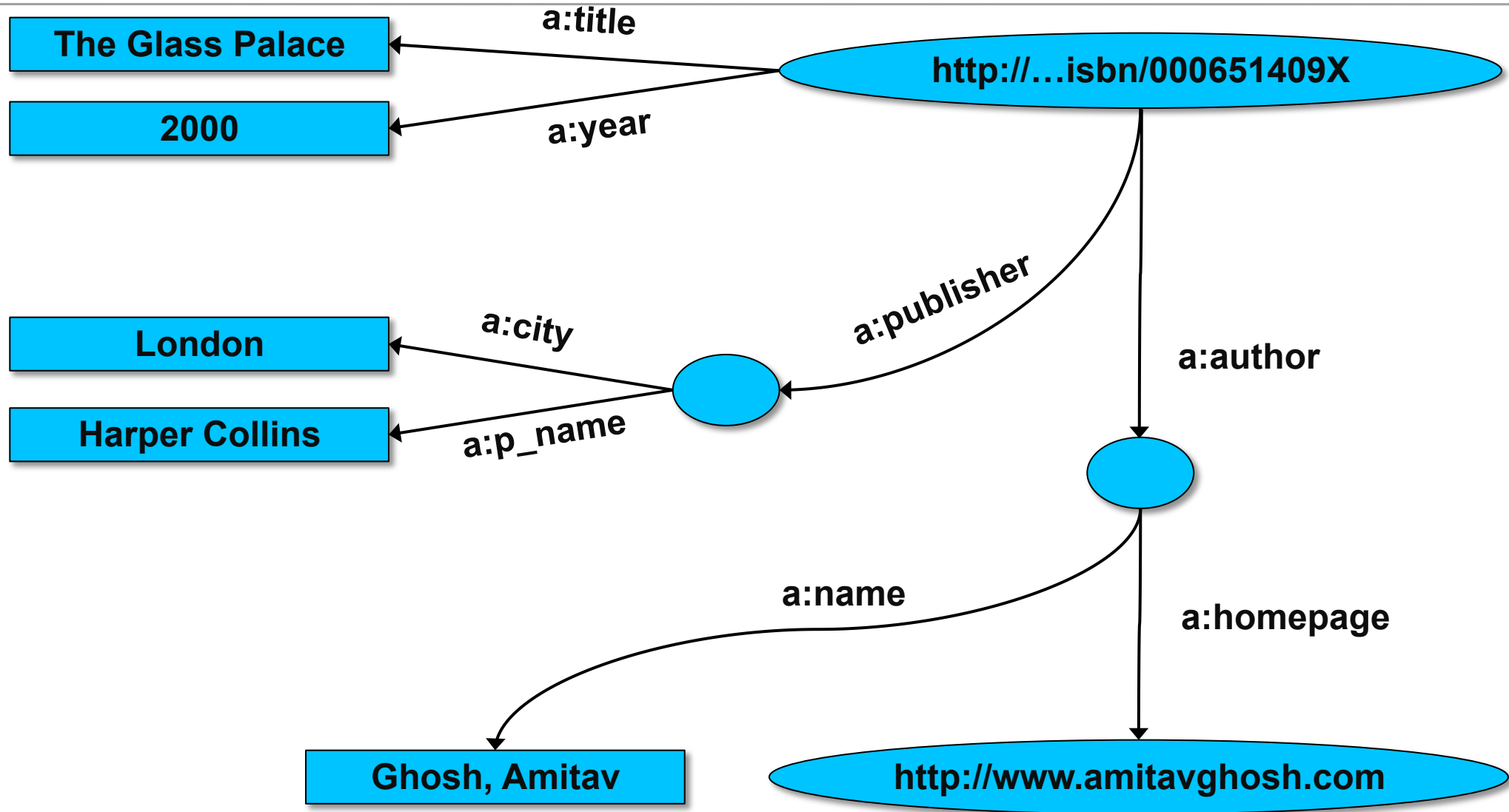
A simplified bookstore data (dataset “A”)

ISBN	Author	Title	Publisher	Year
0006511409X	id_xyz	The Glass Palace	id_qpr	2000

ID	Name	Homepage
id_xyz	Ghosh, Amitav	http://www.amitavghosh.com

ID	Publisher's name	City
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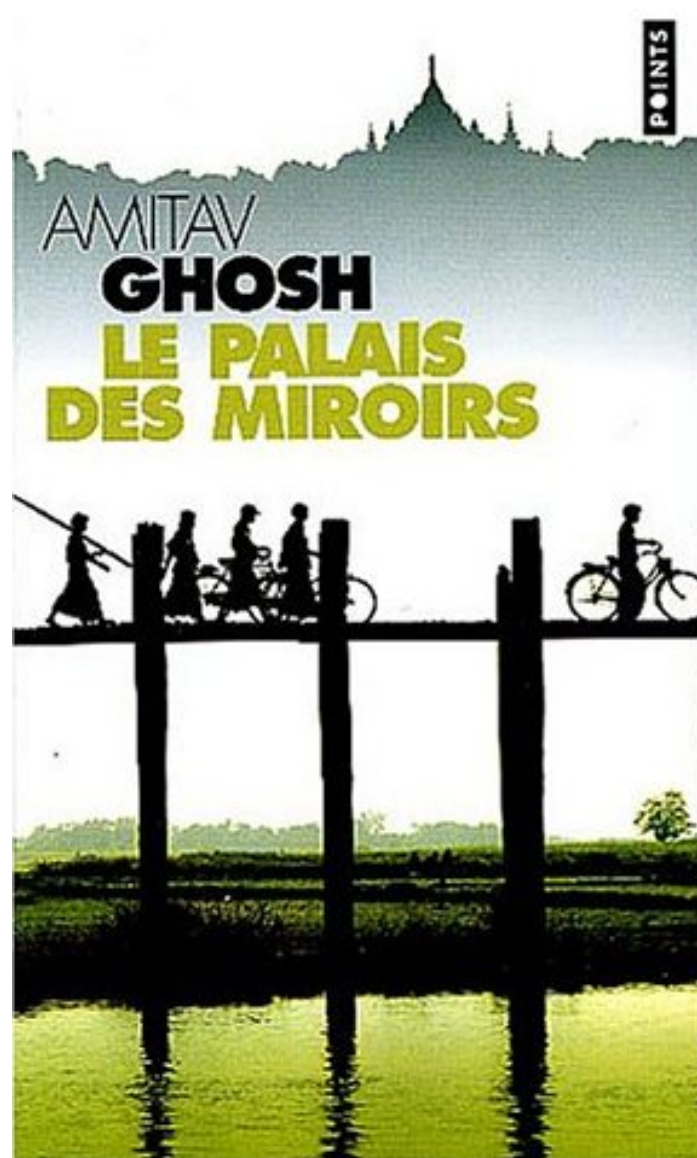
1st: export your data as a set of relations



Some notes on the exporting the data

- ▶ Relations form a graph
 - the nodes refer to the “real” data or contain some literal
 - how the graph is represented in machine is immaterial for now

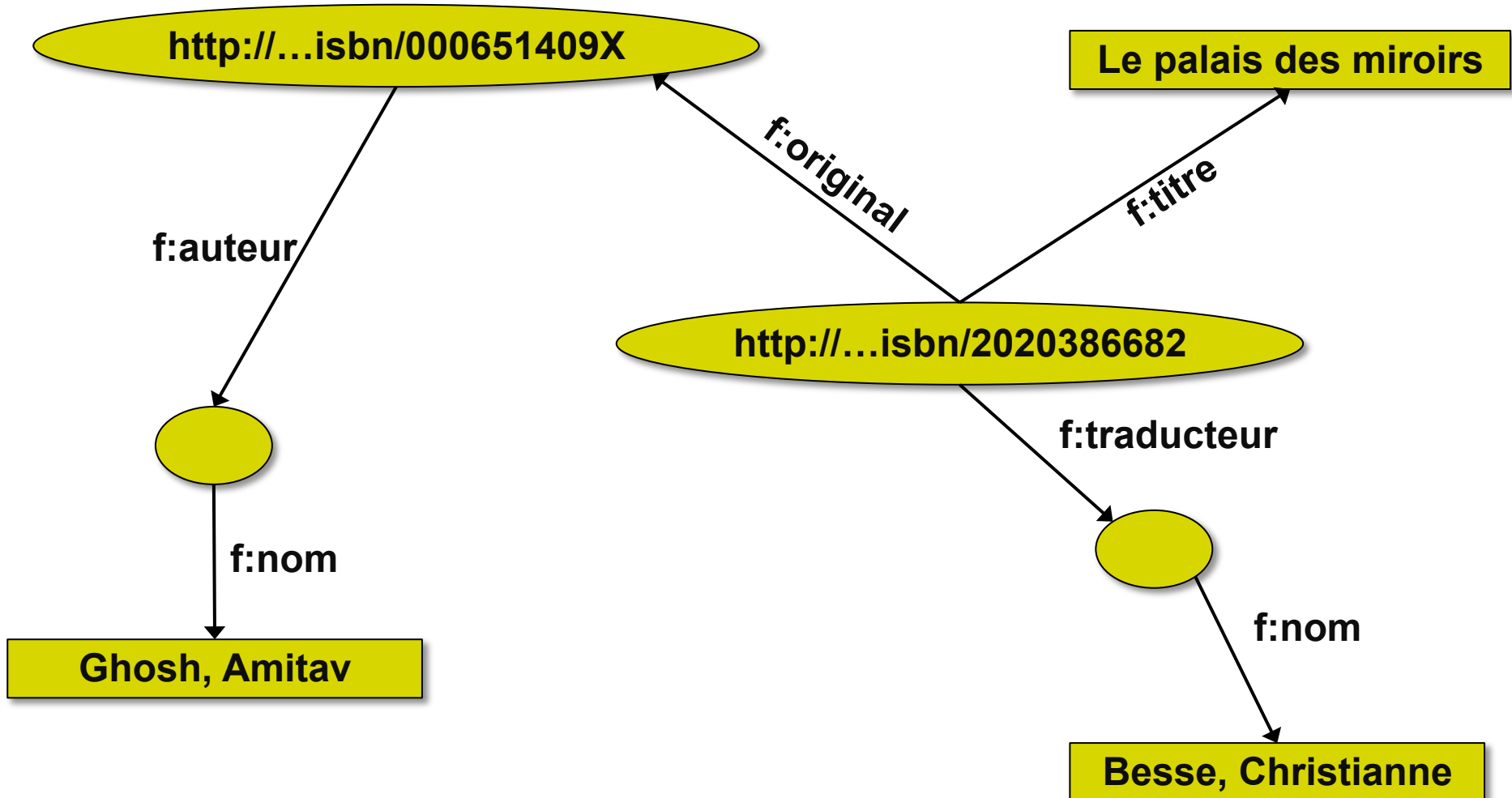
Same book in French...



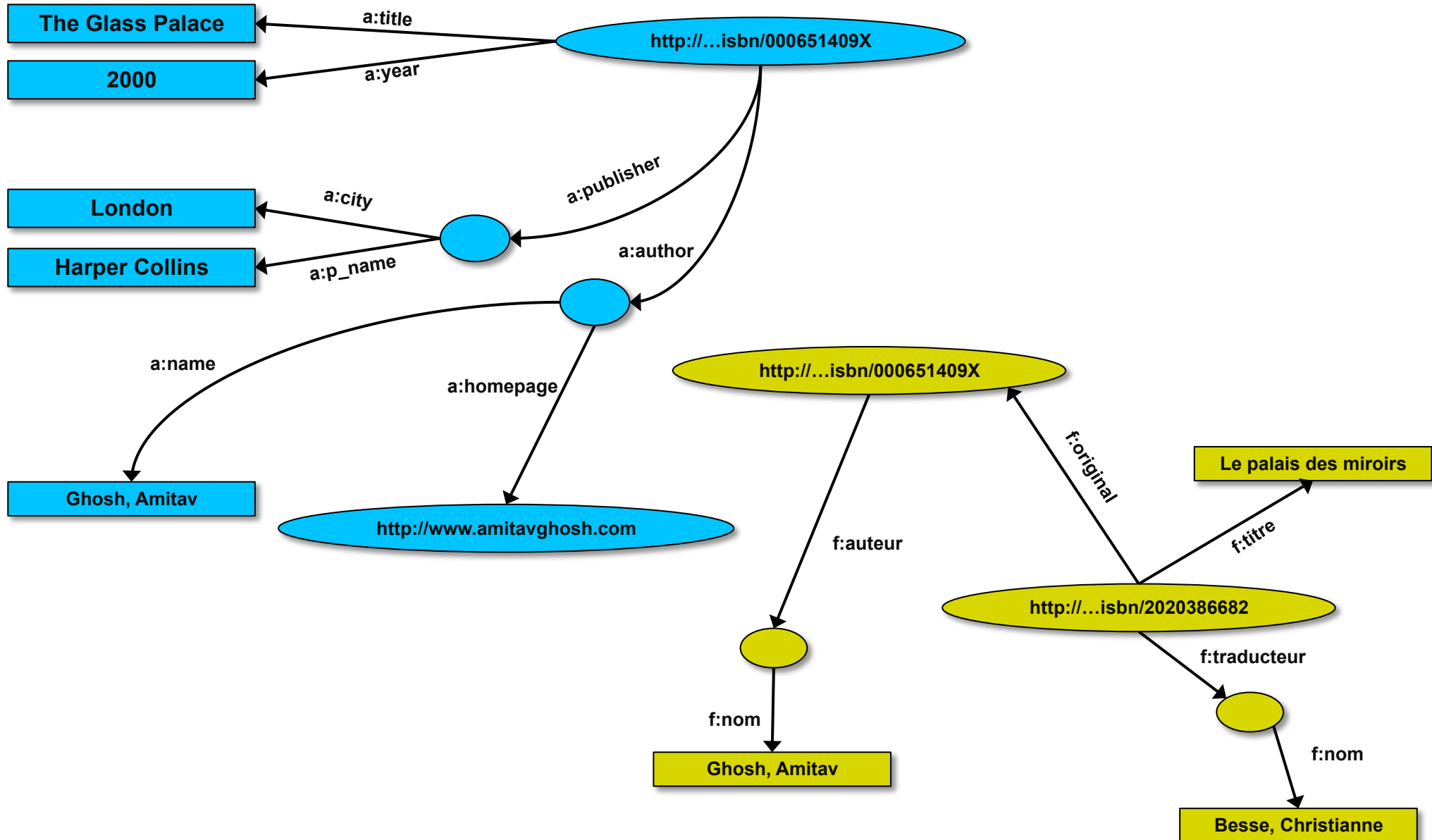
Another bookstore data (dataset “F”)

A		B		C	D
1	ID		Titre	Traducteur	Original
2	ISBN 2020286682		Le Palais des Miroirs	\$A12\$	ISBN 0-00-6511409-X
3					
4					
5					
6	ID		Auteur		
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12	Besse, Christianne				

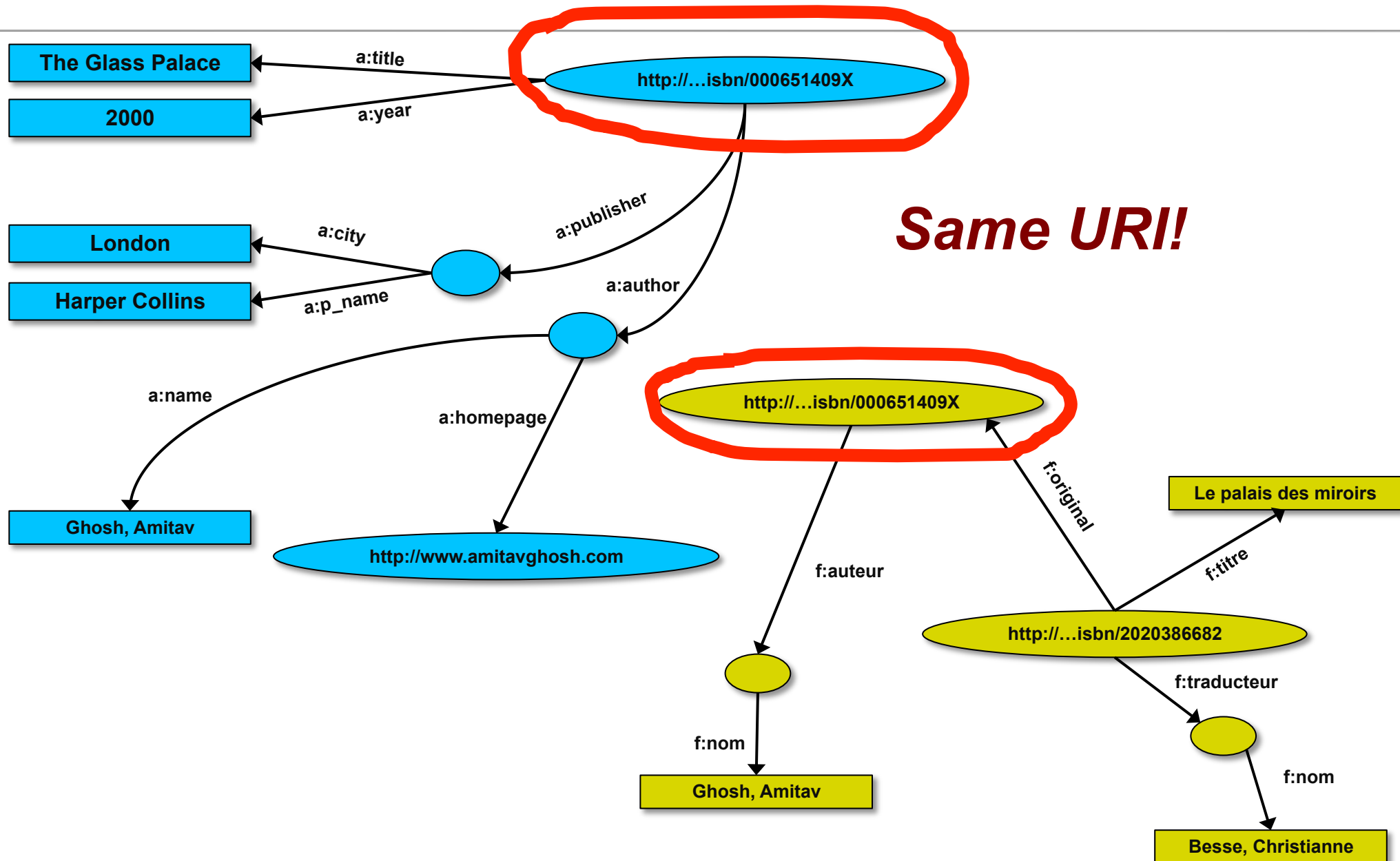
2nd: export your second set of data



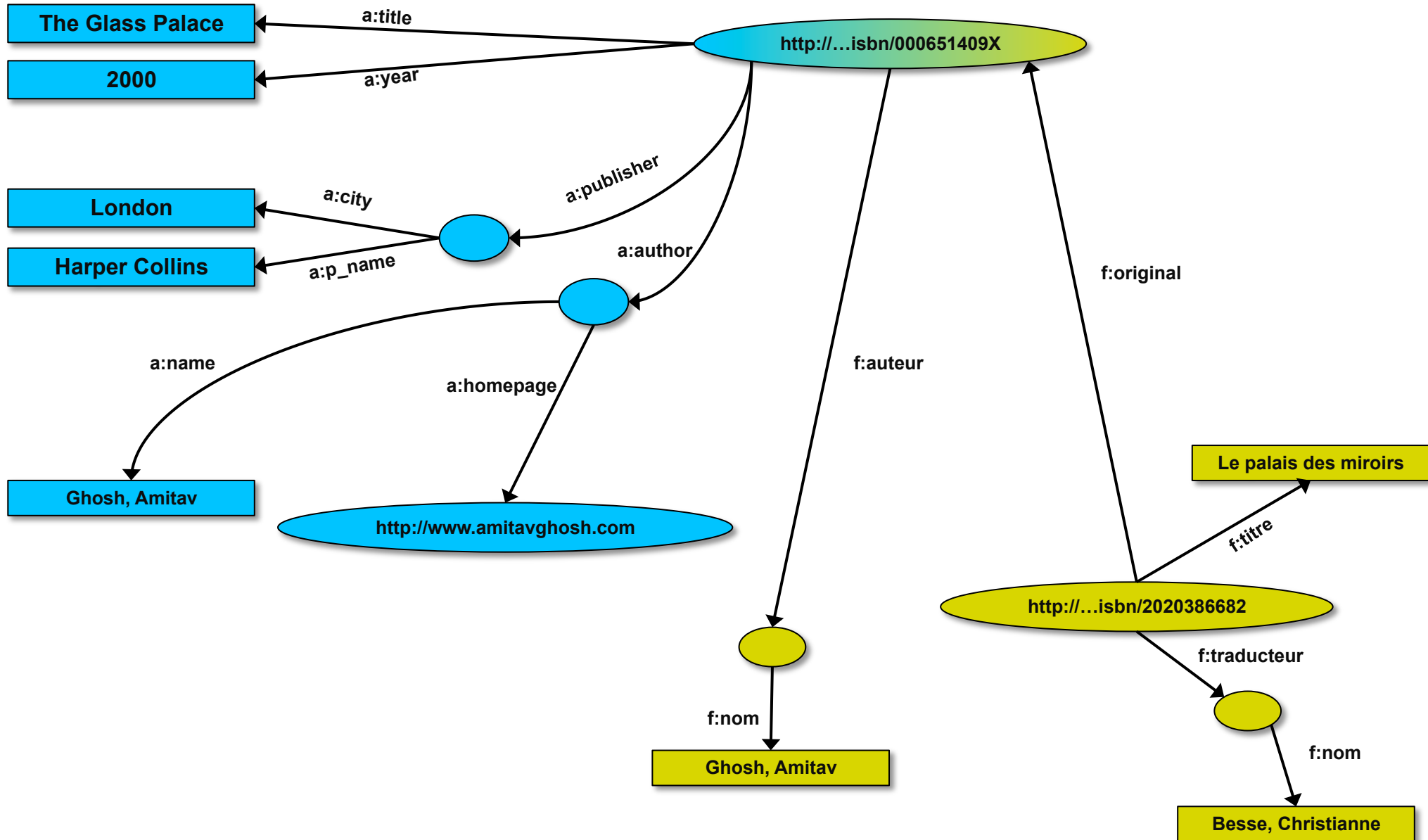
3rd: start merging your data



3rd: start merging your data (cont)

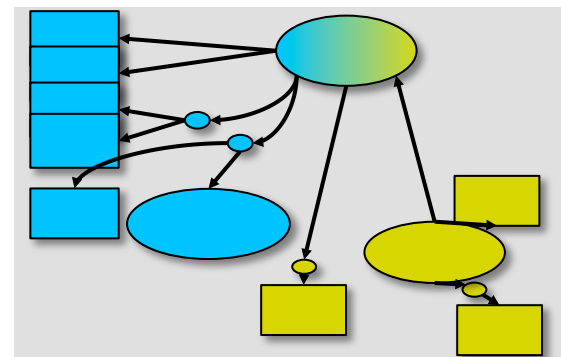


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Start making queries...

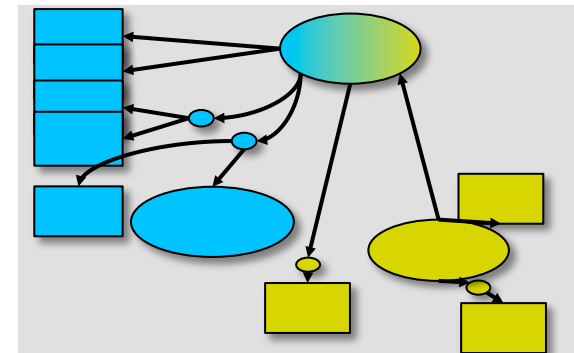
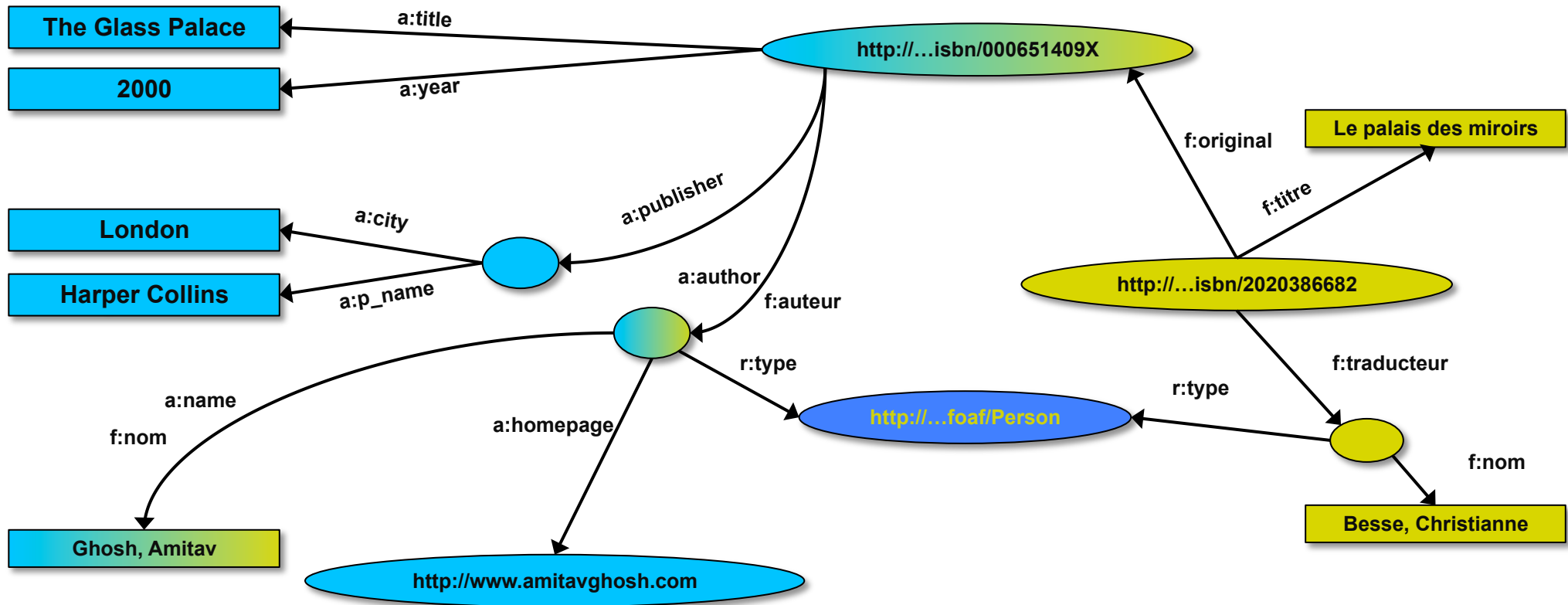
- ▶ User of data “F” can now ask queries like:
 - “give me the title of the original”
 - well, ... « donne-moi le titre de l’original »
- ▶ This information is not in the dataset “F”...
- ▶ ...but can be retrieved by merging with dataset “A”!



However, more can be achieved...

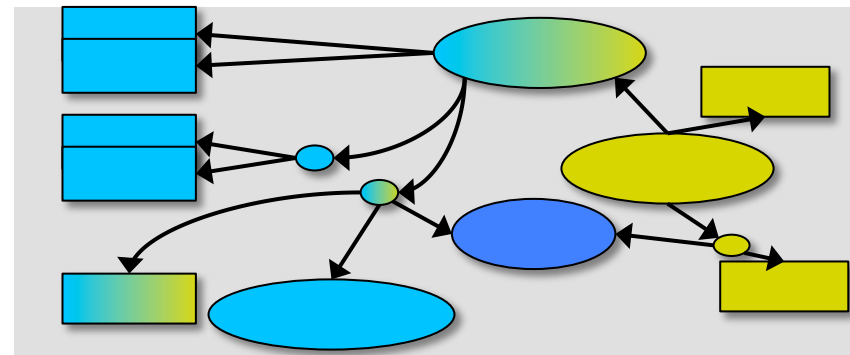
- ▶ We “feel” that a:author and f:auteur should be the same
- ▶ But an automatic merge does not know that!
- ▶ Let us add some extra information to the merged data:
 - a:author same as f:auteur
 - both identify a “Person”
 - a term that a community may have already defined:
 - a “Person” is uniquely identified by his/her name and, say, homepage
 - it can be used as a “category” for certain type of resources

3rd revisited: use the extra knowledge



Start making richer queries!

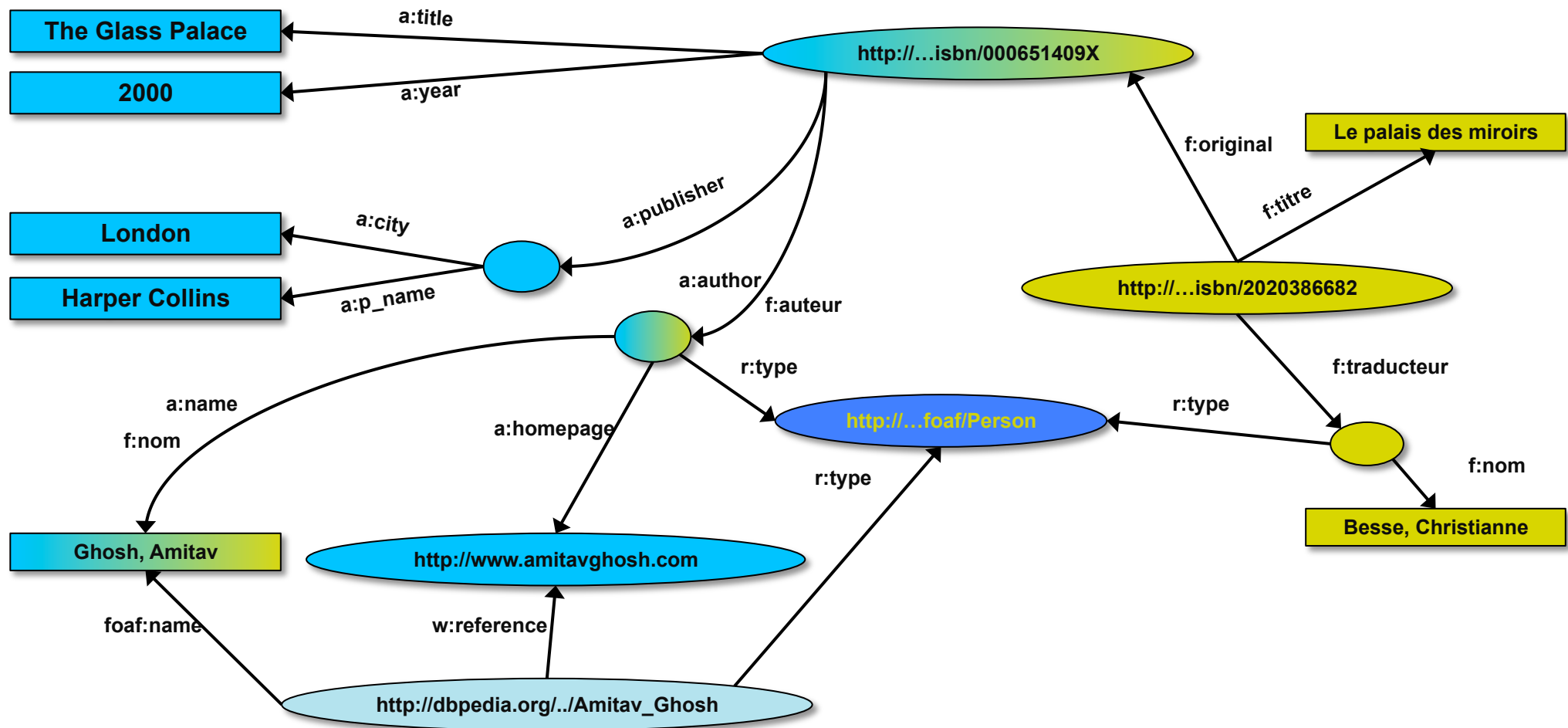
- ▶ User of dataset “F” can now query:
 - “donnes-moi la page d’accueil de l’auteur de l’original”
 - well... “give me the home page of the original’s ‘auteur’”
- ▶ The information is not in datasets “F” or “A”...
- ▶ ...but was made available by:
 - merging datasets “A” and datasets “F”
 - adding three simple extra statements as an extra “glue”



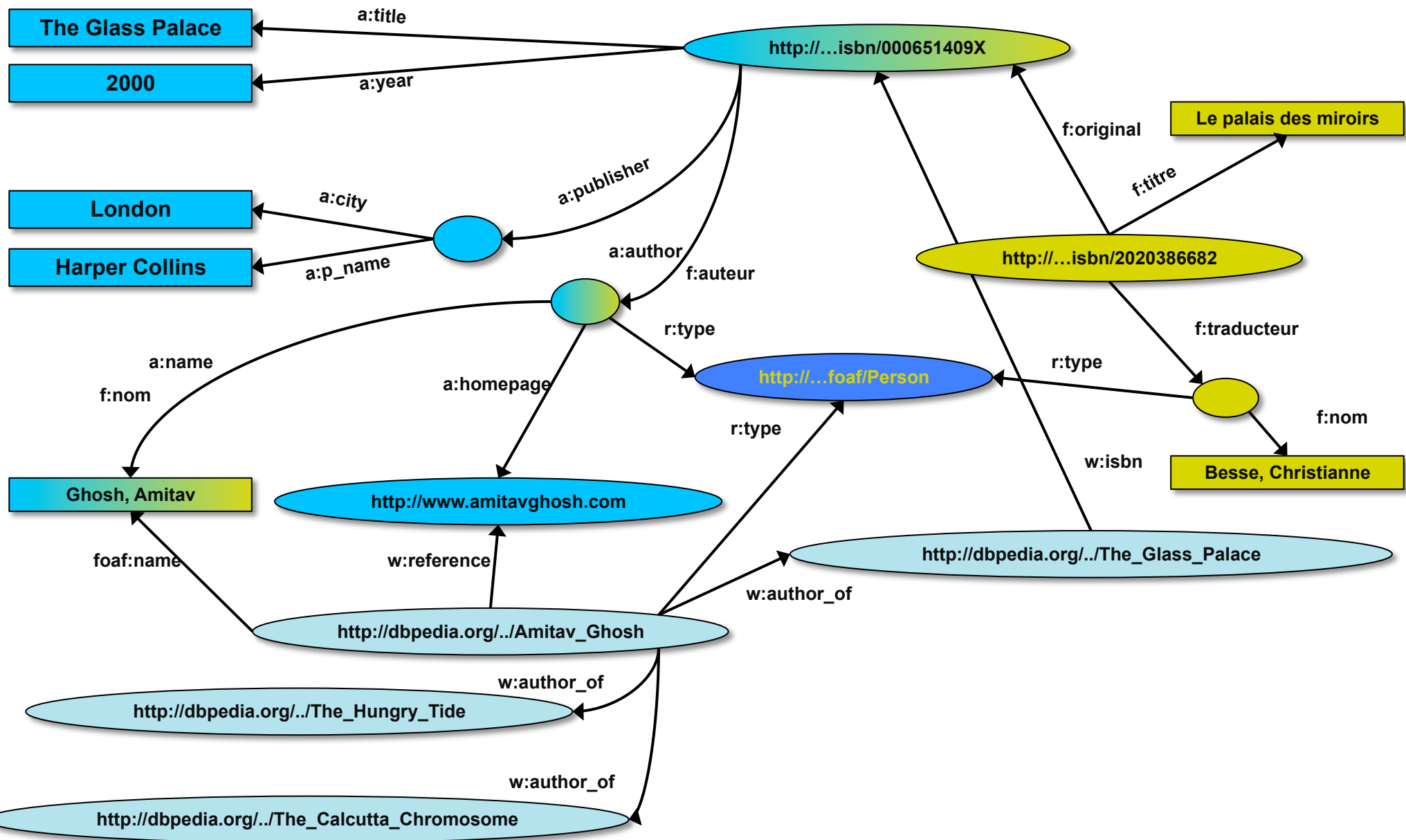
Combine with different datasets

- ▶ Using, e.g., the “Person”, the dataset can be combined with other sources
- ▶ For example, data in Wikipedia can be extracted using dedicated tools
 - e.g., the “[dbpedia](#)” project can extract the “infobox” information from Wikipedia already...

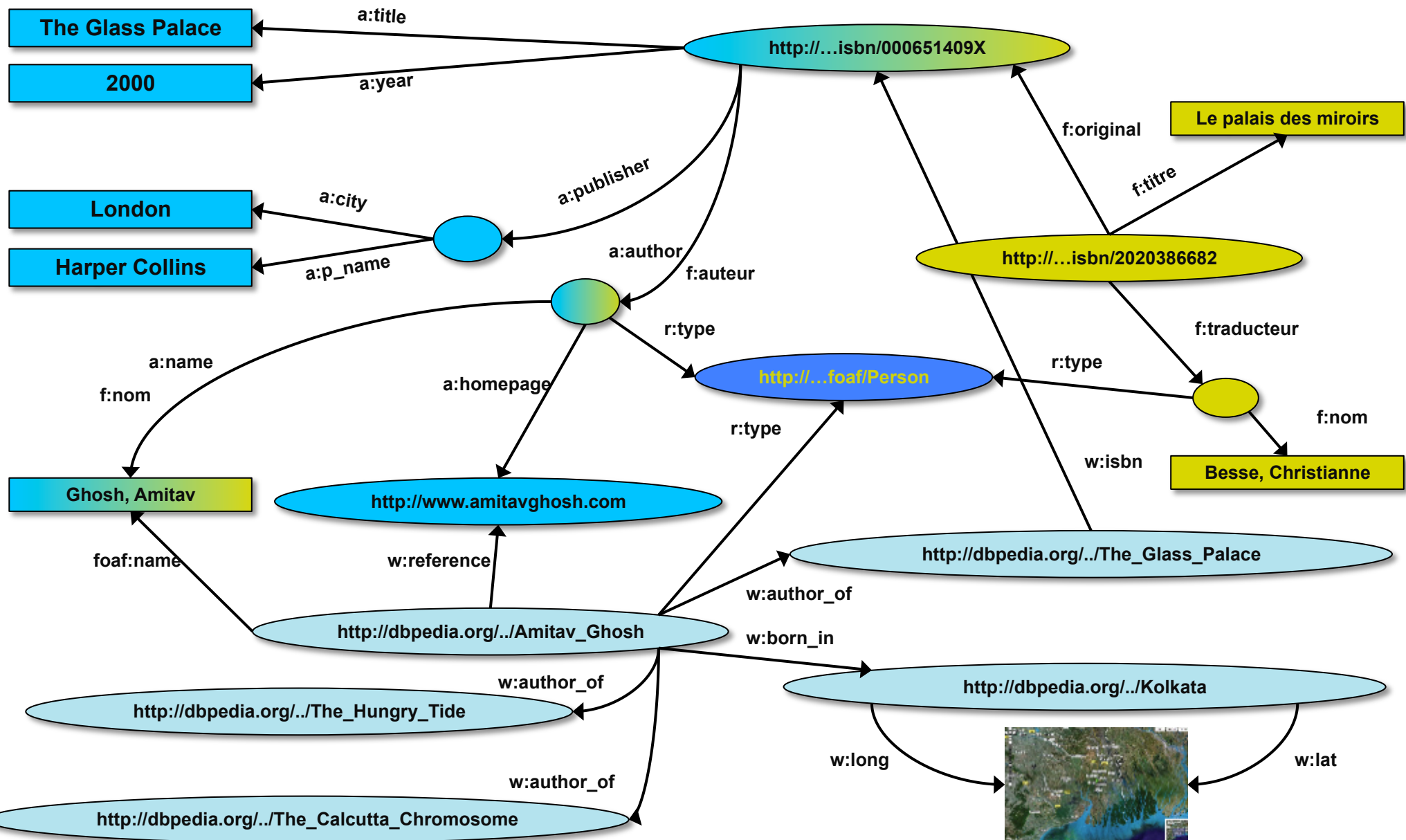
Merge with Wikipedia data



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Is that surprising?

- ▶ It may look like it but, in fact, it should not be...
- ▶ What happened via automatic means is done every day by Web users!
- ▶ The difference: a bit of extra rigour so that machines could do this, too

It could become even more powerful

- ▶ We could add extra knowledge to the merged datasets
 - e.g., a full classification of various types of library data
 - geographical information
 - etc.
- ▶ This is where vocabularies, extra rules, etc., come in
 - vocabularies can be relatively simple and small, or huge, or anything in between...
- ▶ Even more powerful queries can be asked as a result

What did we do?

- ▶ We identified, uniquely, the pieces of data
- ▶ We used URI-s to do that
 - we have the usual Web technologies at our disposal
- ▶ De-referencing those URIs usually returns useful information
 - remember the way we could explore the wikipedia/dbpedia data
- ▶ We abstracted out of the specific data representation; concentrated on the links among data points
- ▶ We could also deduce, in some cases, new information

So where is the “Linked Data”?

So where is the “Semantic Web”?

- ▶ The Semantic Web provides technologies to make such integration possible
- ▶ Linked Data is a set of general principles whose realizations are (usually) based on Semantic Web technologies
- ▶ Hopefully you get a full picture at the end of the tutorial...



The Basis: RDF

RDF triples

- ▶ Let us begin to formalize what we did!
 - we “connected” the data...
 - but a simple connection is not enough... data should be named somehow
 - hence the RDF Triples: a labelled connection between two resources

RDF triples (cont.)

- ▶ An RDF Triple (s,p,o) is such that:
 - “s”, “p” are URI-s, ie, resources on the Web; “o” is a URI or a literal
 - “s”, “p”, and “o” stand for “subject”, “property”, and “object”
 - here is the complete triple:

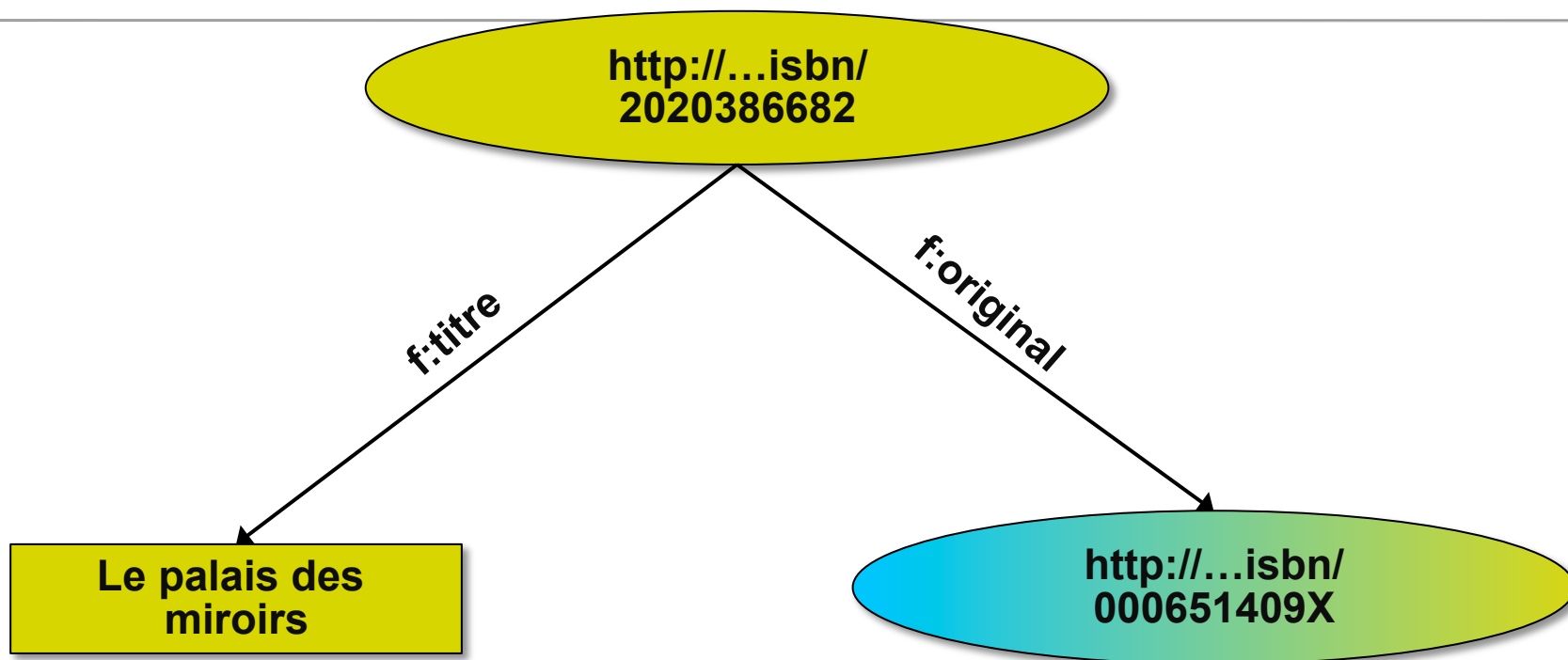
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(<http://...isbn...6682>, <http://.../original>, <http://...isbn...409X>)
```

- ▶ RDF is a general model for such triples (with machine readable formats like RDF/XML, Turtle, N3, RDFa, Json, ...)

RDF triples (cont.)

- ▶ Resources can use *any* URI
 - <http://www.example.org/file.html#home>
 - <http://www.example.org/form?a=b&c=d>
 - [doi:10.3998/3336451.0004.203](https://doi.org/10.3998/3336451.0004.203)
- ▶ RDF triples form a directed, labeled graph (the best way to think about them!)
 - the abstract concepts are serialized in XML, Turtle, JSON-LD, ...

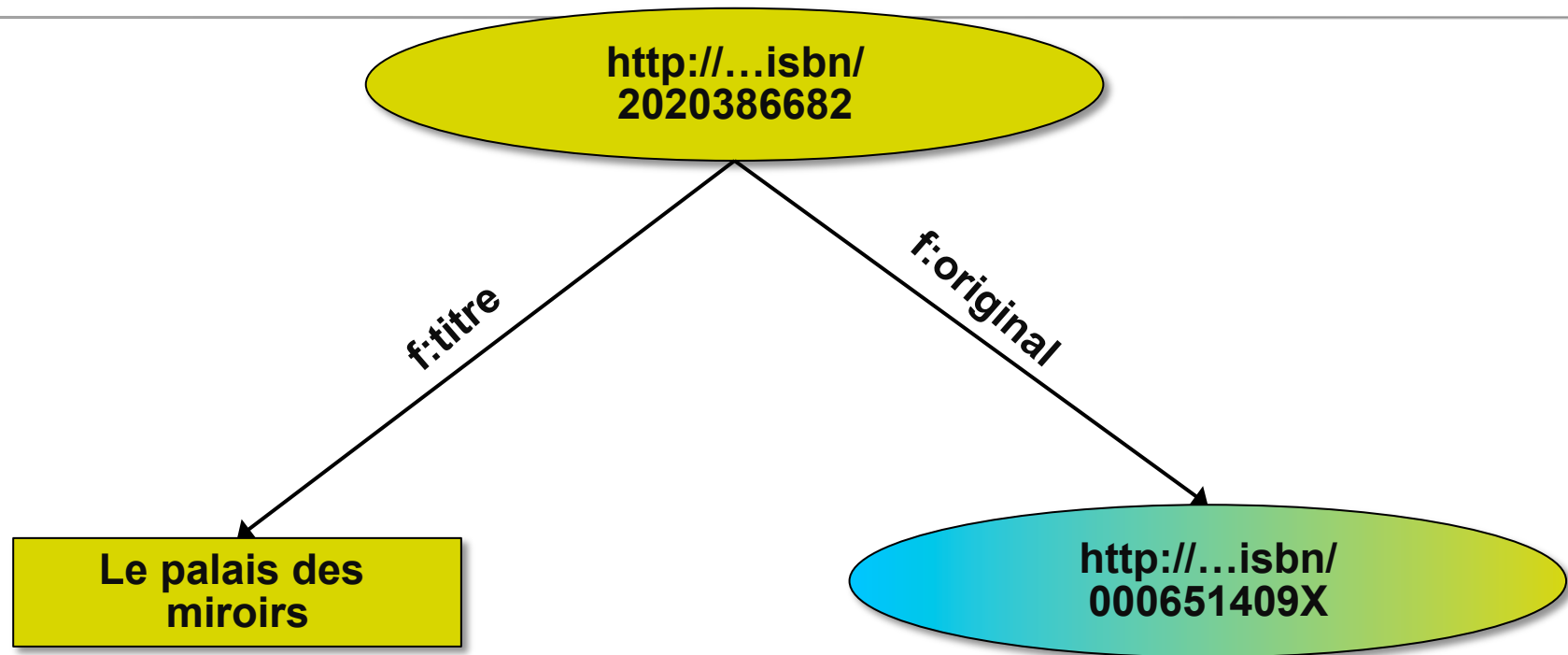
A simple RDF example (in RDF/XML)



```
<rdf:Description rdf:about="http://.../isbn/2020386682">
  <f:titre xml:lang="fr">Le palais des mirroirs</f:titre>
  <f:original rdf:resource="http://.../isbn/000651409X"/>
</rdf:Description>
```

(Note: namespaces are used to simplify the URI-s)

A simple RDF example (in Turtle)



```
<http://.../isbn/2020386682>  
  f:titre "Le palais des miroirs"@fr ;  
  f:original <http://.../isbn/000651409X> .
```

RDF in programming practice

- ▶ For example, using Python+RDFLib:
 - a “Graph” object is created
 - the RDF file is parsed and results stored in the Graph
 - the Graph offers methods to retrieve:
 - triples
 - (property, object) pairs for a specific subject
 - (subject, property) pairs for specific object
 - etc.
 - the rest is conventional programming...
- ▶ Similar tools exist in Java, PHP, etc.

Python example using RDFLib

```
# create a graph from a file
graph = rdflib.Graph()
graph.parse("filename.rdf", format="rdxml")
# take subject with a known URI
subject = rdflib.URIRef("URI_of_Subject")
# process all properties and objects for this subject
for (s,p,o) in graph.triples((subject,None,None)) :
    do_something(p,o)
```

But programming is not for everyone

- ▶ Not everyone wants to program
- ▶ On a higher level of abstraction:
 - RDF graphs are “stored”
 - physical triple stores, databases, etc.
 - simple RDF files loaded by underlying tools
 - users can query and update the graph
 - etc.
 - Data files in different formats and storage are “viewed” as RDF
 - “bridges”, APIs between RDB and RDF, CSV and RDF

Example: You publish the raw data...

The screenshot shows the Data.gov website in a web browser. The browser's address bar displays "http://www.data.gov/". The website's header includes the "DATA.GOV" logo with the tagline "EMPOWERING PEOPLE". A navigation menu contains links for HOME, DATA, TOOLS, COMMUNITY, METRICS, and DIALOGUE. The main content area features a large banner titled "LINKING OPEN GOVERNMENT DATA" with a "VIEW MORE" button and a world map graphic. To the right, a section titled "Most Popular Datasets" lists five items: 1. Worldwide M1+ Earthquakes, Past 7 Days; 2. U.S. Overseas Loans and Grants (Greenbook); 3. Latest Volumes of Foreign Relations of the...; 4. MyPyramid Food Raw Data; 5. (SUPERSEDED) 1:2,000,000-scale Hydrologic... Below this is a "SEARCH OUR CATALOGS" section with a search input field and a "SEARCH" button. The footer is divided into three columns: "APPS" (featuring a map visualization and text about developers creating applications), "COMMUNITY" (describing the democratization of public sector data and listing statistics like "6 Other nations establishing open data" and "8 States now offering data sites"), and "SEMANTIC WEB" (discussing the evolution of the Web of linked documents and mentioning collaboration with the Tetherless World Constellation at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute).

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SEARCH OUR CATALOGS

Search our catalogs.. SEARCH

APPS

COMMUNITY

SEMANTIC WEB

With so much government data to work with, developers are creating a wide variety of applications, mashups, and visualizations. From crime statistics by neighborhood to the best towns to find a job to seeing the environmental health of your community—these applications arm citizens with the information they need to...

Data.gov is leading the way in democratizing public sector data and driving innovation. The data is being surfaced from many locations making the Government data stores available to researchers to perform their own analysis. Developers are finding good uses for the datasets, providing interesting and useful applications that allow for new views and public analysis. This is a work in progress, but this movement is spreading to cities, states, and other countries. After just one year a community is born around open government data.

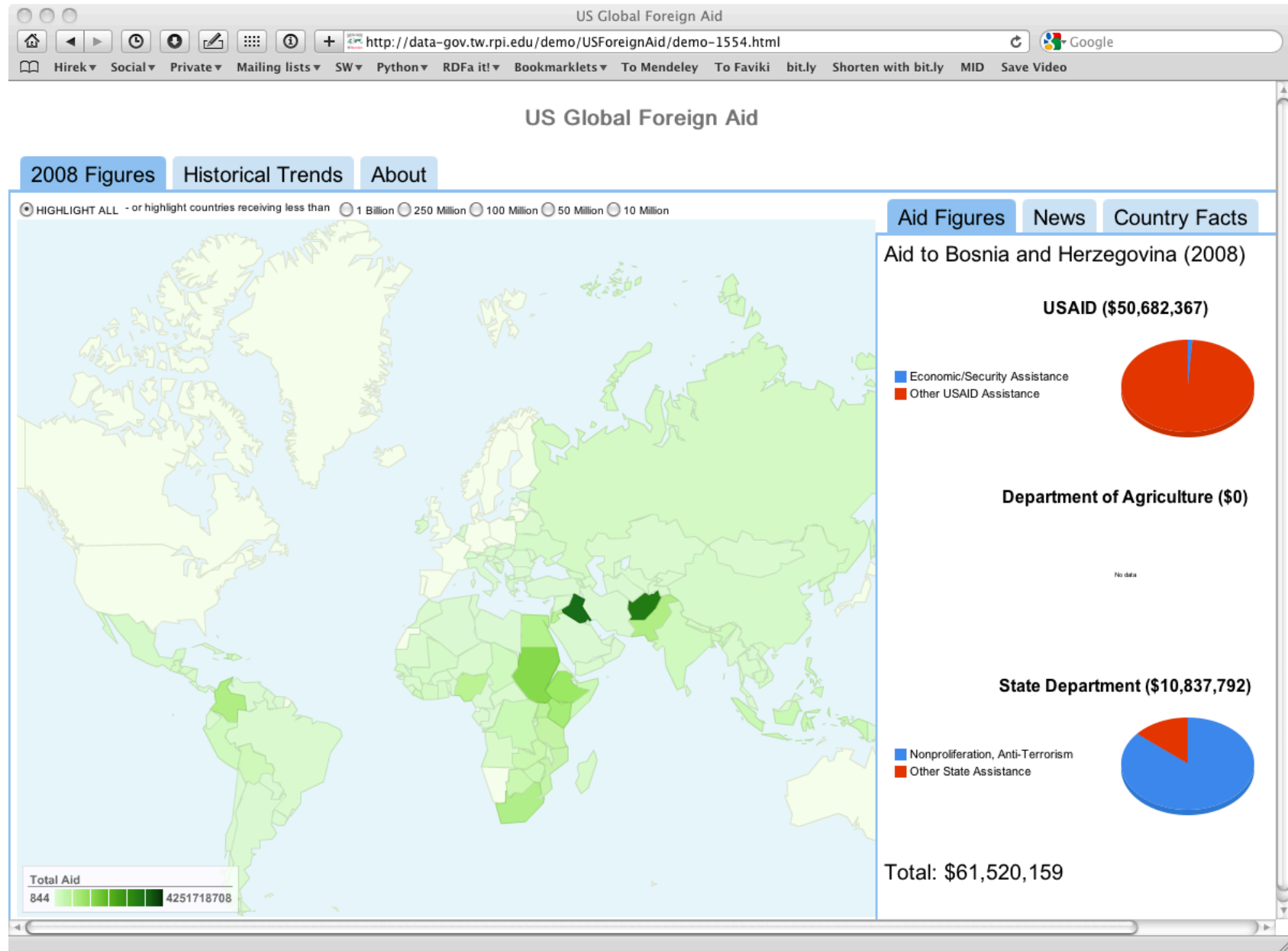
Just look at the numbers:

6 Other nations establishing open data
8 States now offering data sites

As the Web of linked documents evolves to include the Web of linked data, we're working to maximize the potential of Semantic Web technologies to realize the promise of Linked Open Government Data.

Thanks to our collaboration with the **Tetherless World Constellation** at the **Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute**, Data.gov is now hosting one of the largest open collections of RDF datasets in the world! Check out some of their

... and others can use it





One level higher up:
RDFS, Datatypes

Need for RDF schemas

- ▶ First step towards the “extra knowledge”:
 - define the terms we can use
 - what restrictions apply
 - what extra relationships are there?
- ▶ Officially: “RDF Vocabulary Description Language”
 - the term “Schema” is retained for historical reasons...

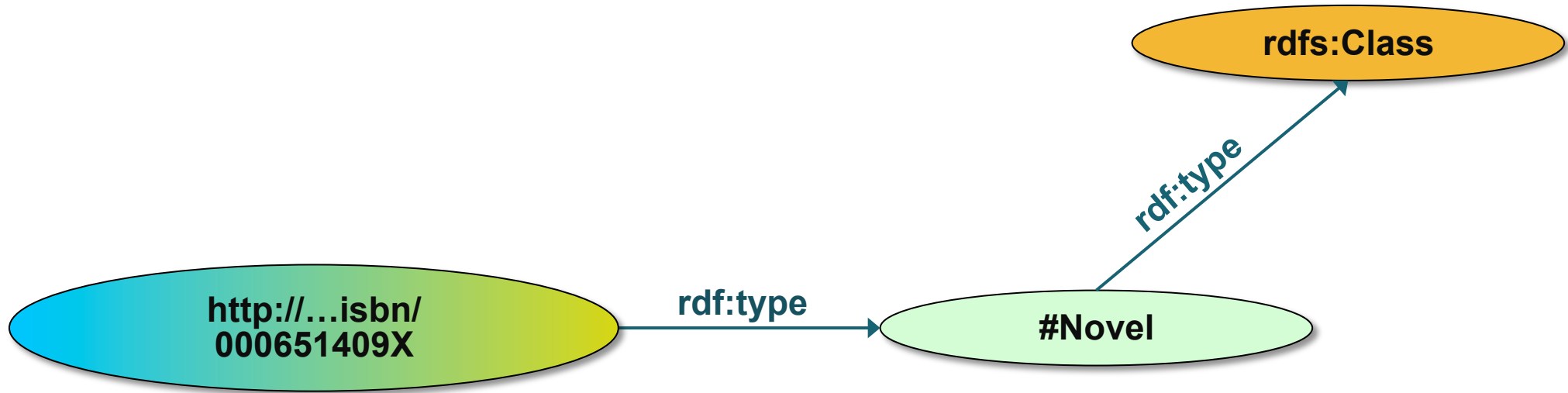
Classes, resources, ...

- ▶ Think of well known traditional vocabularies:
 - use the term “novel”
 - “every novel is a fiction”
 - “«The Glass Palace» is a novel”
 - etc.
- ▶ RDFS defines resources and classes:
 - everything in RDF is a “resource”
 - “classes” are also resources, but...
 - ...they are also a collection of possible resources (i.e., “individuals”)
 - “fiction”, “novel”, ...

Classes, resources, ... (cont.)

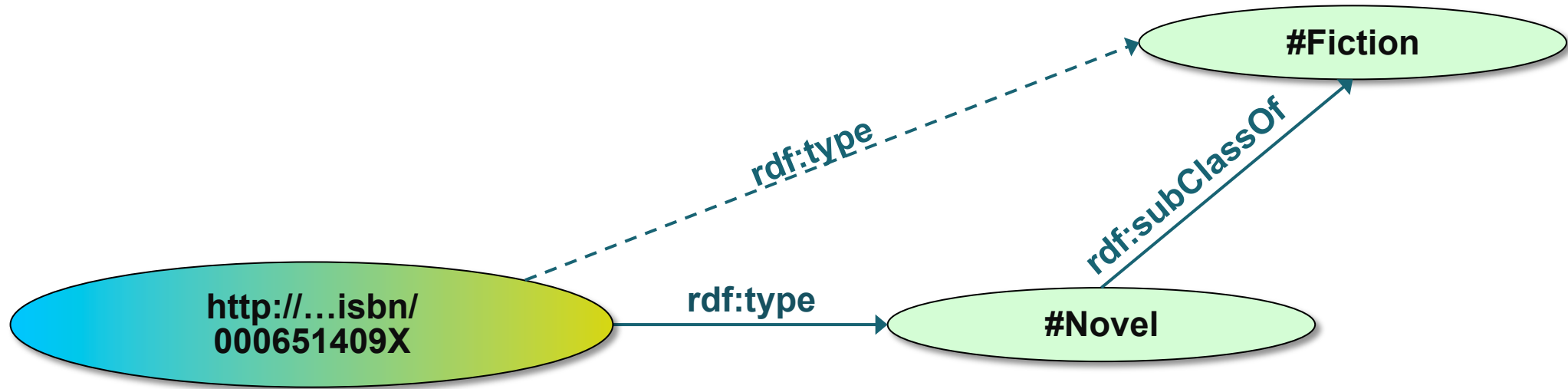
- ▶ Relationships are defined among resources:
 - “typing”: an individual belongs to a specific class
 - “«The Glass Palace» is a novel”
 - to be more precise: “«[http://.../000651409X](#)» is a novel”
 - “subclassing”: all instances of one are also the instances of the other (“every novel is a fiction”)
- ▶ RDFS formalizes these notions in RDF

Classes, resources in RDF(S)



- ▶ RDFS defines the meaning of these terms
 - (these are all special URI-s, we just use the namespace abbreviation)

Inferred properties



```
(<http://.../isbn/000651409X> rdf:type #Fiction)
```

- ▶ is not in the original RDF data...
- ▶ ...but can be inferred from the RDFS rules
- ▶ RDFS environments return that triple, too

Inference: let us be formal...

- ▶ The RDF Semantics document has a list of entailment rules:
 - “if such and such triples are in the graph, add this and this”
 - do that recursively until the graph does not change
- ▶ The relevant rule for our example:

```
If:  
  uuu rdfs:subClassOf xxx .  
  vvv rdf:type uuu .  
Then add:  
  vvv rdf:type xxx .
```

Properties

- ▶ Property is a special class (rdf:Property)
 - properties are also resources identified by URI-s
- ▶ There is also a possibility for a “sub-property”
 - all resources bound by the “sub” are also bound by the other
- ▶ Range and domain of properties can be specified
 - i.e., what type of resources serve as object and subject

What does this mean?

- ▶ Again, new relations can be deduced. Indeed, if

```
:title
  rdf:type      rdf:Property;
  rdfs:domain   :Fiction;
  rdfs:range    rdfs:Literal.

<http://.../isbn/000651409X> :title "The Glass Palace" .
```

then the system can infer that:

```
<http://.../isbn/000651409X> rdf:type :Fiction .
```

Literals

- ▶ Literals may have a data type
 - floats, integers, Booleans, etc., defined in XML Schemas
 - full XML fragments
- ▶ (Natural) language can also be specified

Examples for datatypes

```
<http://.../isbn/000651409X>  
  :page_number "543"^^xsd:integer ;  
  :publ_date    "2000"^^xsd:gYear ;  
  :price        "6.99"^^xsd:float .
```




Vocabularies

Vocabularies

- ▶ Data integration needs agreements on
 - terms
 - “translator”, “author”
 - categories used
 - “Person”, “literature”
 - relationships among those
 - “an author is also a Person...”, “historical fiction is a narrower term than fiction”
 - ie, new relationships can be deduced

Vocabularies

- ▶ There is a need for “languages” to define such vocabularies
 - to define those vocabularies
 - to assign clear “semantics” on how new relationships can be deduced

But what about RDFS?

- ▶ Indeed RDFS *is* such framework:
 - there is typing, subtyping
 - properties can be put in a hierarchy
 - datatypes can be defined
- ▶ RDFS is enough for many vocabularies

DCMI Metadata Terms x

dublincore.org/documents/dcmi-terms/

Private webmail 2013 2012 LocalData TR W3 TR List Private Social Mailing lists SW Python RDFa it! Bookmarks Other Bookmarks

about change history is documented in DCMI Metadata Terms: A complete historical record [this page]. DCMI maintains a web page with pointers to known translations of semantic specifications and related DCMI documents [TRANSLATIONS].

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Section 2: Properties in the */terms/* namespace

Term Name: abstract	
URI:	http://purl.org/dc/terms/abstract
Label:	Abstract
Definition:	A summary of the resource.
Type of Term:	Property
Refines:	http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/description
Refines:	http://purl.org/dc/terms/description
Version:	http://dublincore.org/usage/terms/history/#abstract-003
Term Name: accessRights	
URI:	http://purl.org/dc/terms/accessRights
Label:	Access Rights
Definition:	Information about who can access the resource or an indication of its security status.
Comment:	Access Rights may include information regarding access or restrictions based on privacy, security, or other policies.
Type of Term:	Property
Refines:	http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/rights
Refines:	http://purl.org/dc/terms/rights
Has Range:	http://purl.org/dc/terms/RightsStatement
Version:	http://dublincore.org/usage/terms/history/#accessRights-002
Term Name: accrualMethod	
URI:	http://purl.org/dc/terms/accrualMethod
Label:	Accrual Method

DCTERMS is an RDFS vocabulary

- ▶ Each term is an RDFS Property or Class identified by a URI
- ▶ Many property terms have range and domain definitions
- ▶ Sub-property relationships are also used

```
dcterms:accessRights
  dcterms:issued "2003-02-15"^^xsl:date ;
  a rdf:Property ;
  rdfs:range dcterms:RightsStatement ;
  rdfs:subPropertyOf dcterms:rights ;
  ...
```

from <http://dublincore.org/2012/06/14/dcterms.ttl>

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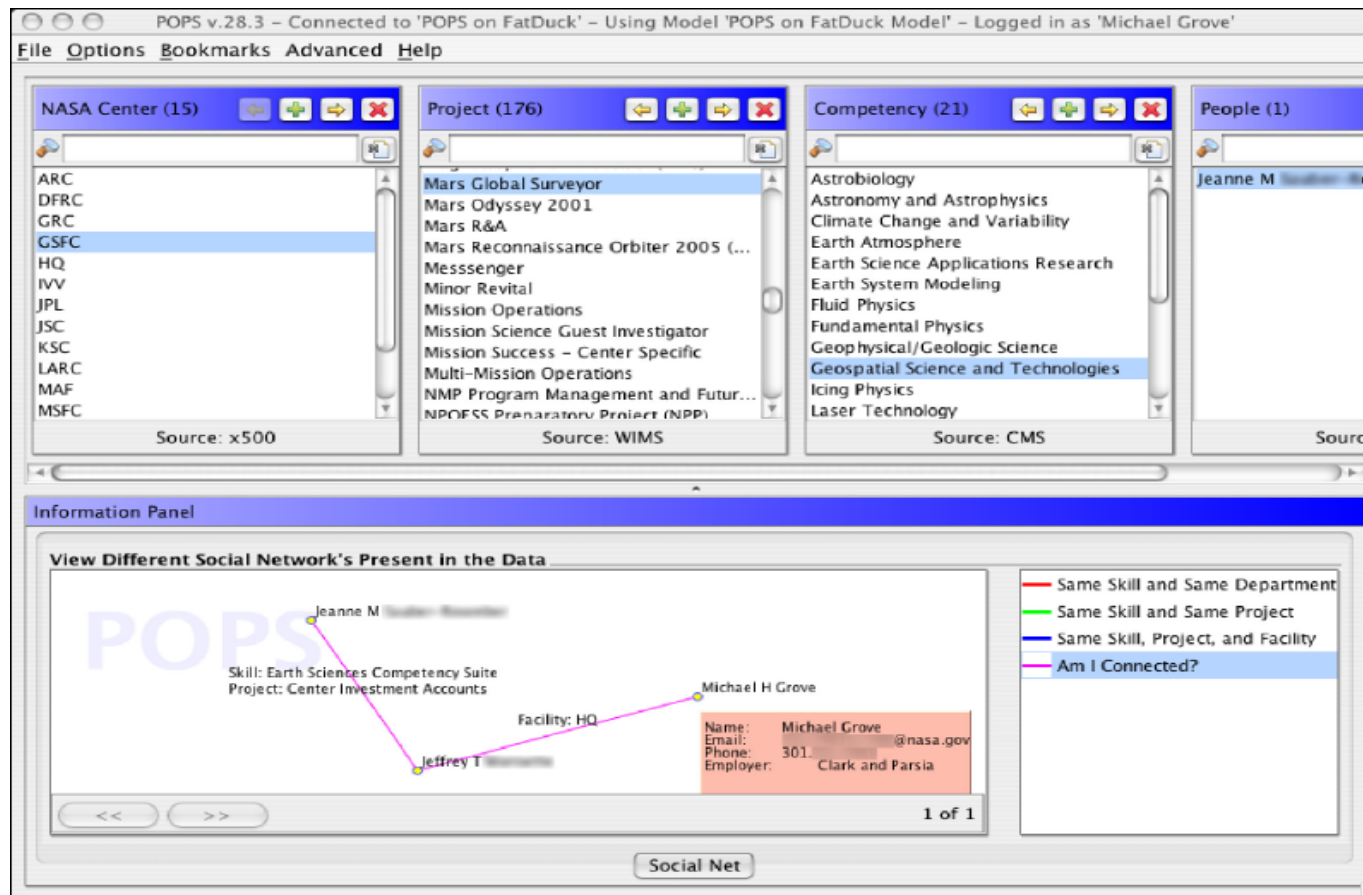
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Version:	http://dublincore.org/usage/terms/history/#abstract-003
Term Name: accessRights	
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Definition:	Information about who can access the resource or an indication of its security status.
Comment:	Access Rights may include information regarding access or restrictions based on privacy, security, or other policies.
Type of Term:	Property
Refines:	http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/rights
Refines:	http://purl.org/dc/terms/rights
Has Range:	http://purl.org/dc/terms/RightsStatement
Version:	http://dublincore.org/usage/terms/history/#accessRights-002
Term Name: accrualMethod	
URI:	http://purl.org/dc/terms/accrualMethod
Label:	Accrual Method

A bit of RDFS can take you far...

- ▶ Remember the power of merge?
- ▶ We could have used, in our example:
 - `f:auteur` is a sub-property of `a:author` and vice versa (although we will see other ways to do that...)
- ▶ Of course, in some cases, more complex knowledge is necessary (see later...)

Example: Find the right experts at NASA

- ▶ Expertise locator for nearly 70,000 NASA civil servants, using RDF integration techniques over 6 or 7 geographically distributed databases, data sources, and web services...



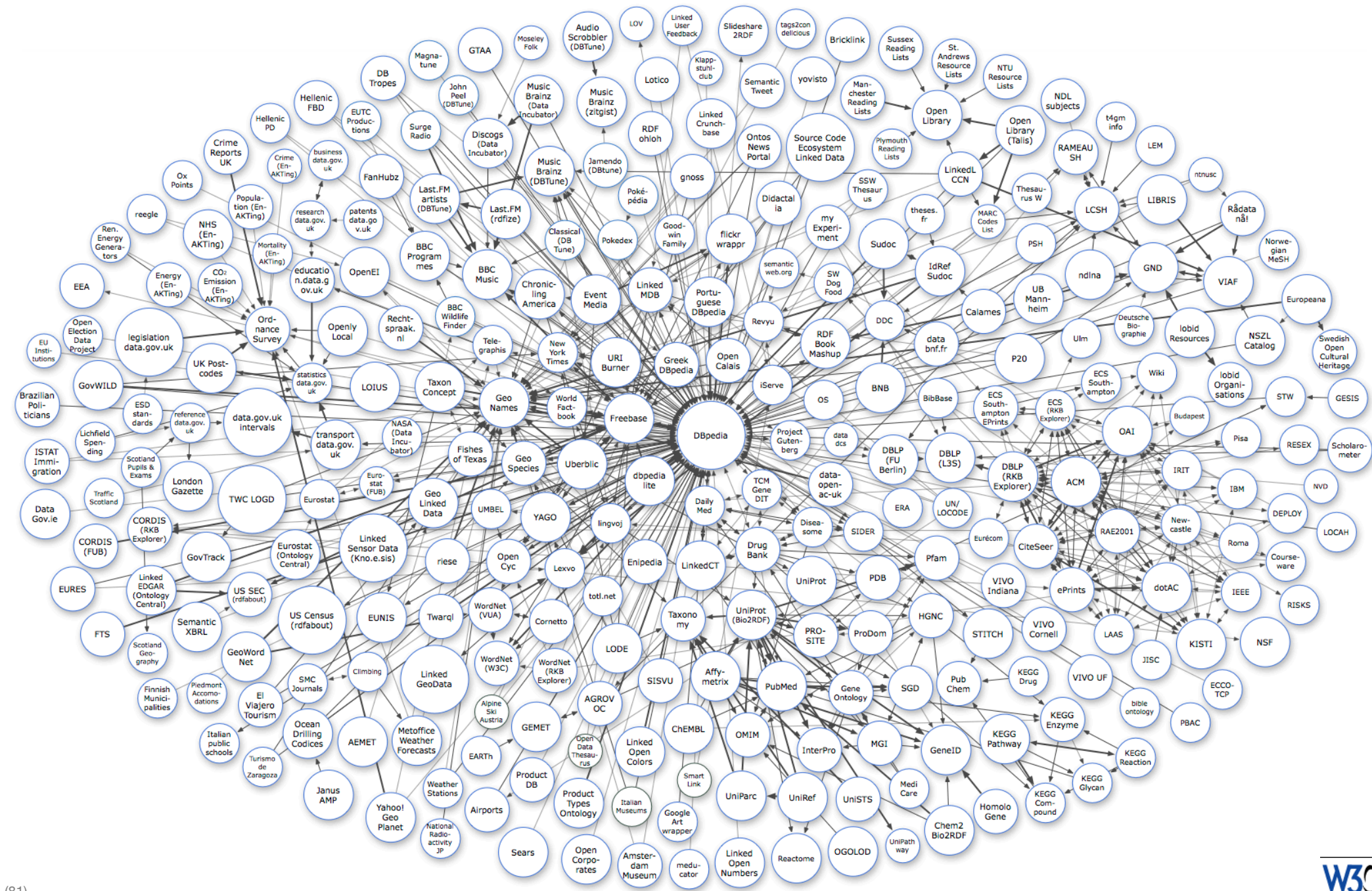
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“Linking Open Data” Project

- ▶ Goal: “expose” open datasets in RDF
- ▶ Set RDF links among the data items from different datasets

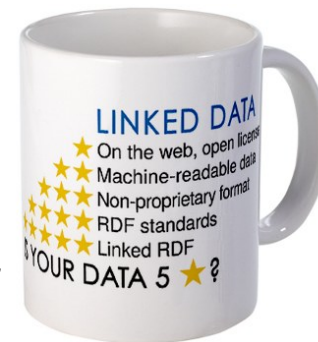


The LOD “cloud”



Linked Data Principles

a.k.a. is your data 5 Star?



★ Available on the Web in some format (i.e., use URI to access the data)

★★ Available as machine-readable structured data (e.g., excel instead of an image scan)

★★★ As before, but using a non-proprietary format (e.g., CSV instead of excel)

★★★★ All the above, plus use open standards (RDF & Co.) to identify things, so that people could point at your stuff

★★★★★ All the above, plus link your data to other people's data to provide context

Linked Data \approx 5 Star Data
(or a collection of 5 Star Data)

Linked Open Data \approx Linked Data
without access restrictions

An important distinction

- ▶ Linked Data is based on RDF, but
 - in pure RDF, URI-s are used “simply” as unique identifiers
 - it is o.k. to use non-referenceable URI-s like ISBN URN-s, or DOI URN-s
 - *in Linked Data URI-s should really really be de-referenceable*

Example data source: DBpedia

- ▶ DBpedia is a community effort to
 - extract structured (“infobox”) information from Wikipedia
 - provide a query endpoint to the dataset
 - interlink the DBpedia dataset with other datasets on the Web



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Extracting structured data from Wikipedia

```
@prefix dbpedia <http://dbpedia.org/resource/>.
@prefix dbterm  <http://dbpedia.org/property/>.
```

dbpedia:**Kolkata**

```
dbpprop:officialName "Kolkata" ;
dbpprop:longd "88" ;
dbpprop:longm "22" ;
dbpprop:longew "E" ;
foaf:homepage <http://www.kmcgov.in> ;
dbpedia-owl:populationTotal "4486679" ;
dbpprop:areaTotalKm "185" ;
...
```

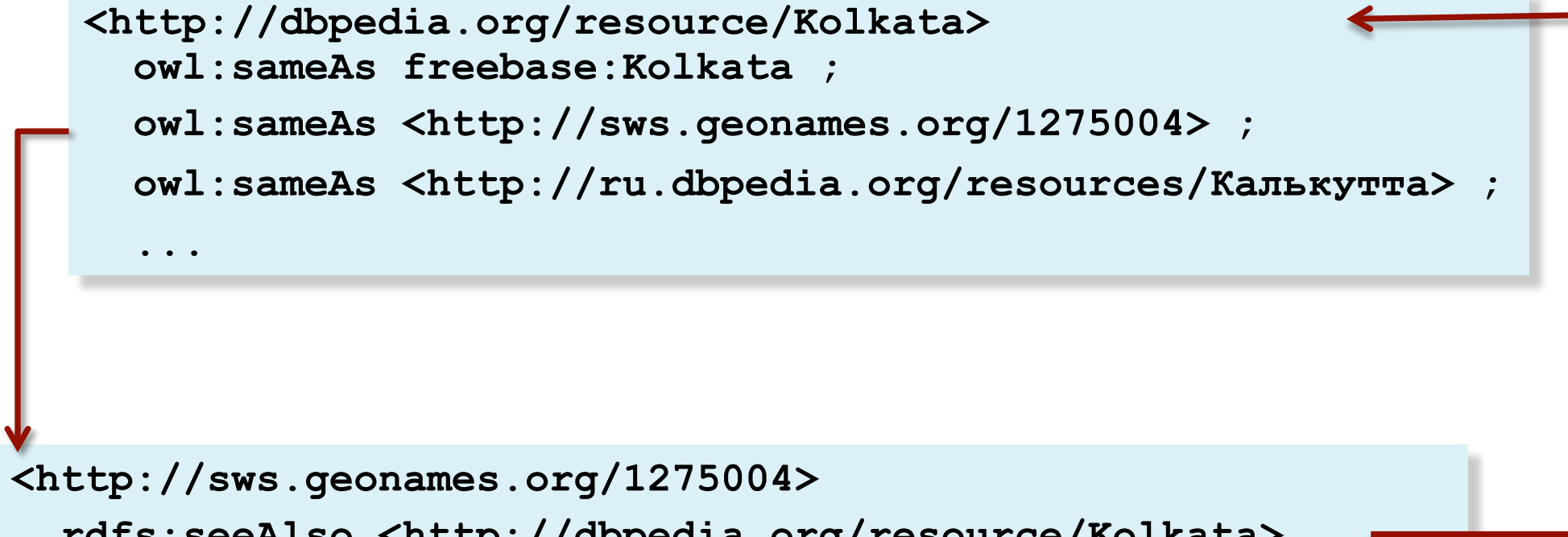
dbpedia:**Amitav_Ghosh**

```
dbpedia-owl:birthPlace dbpedia:Kolkata ;
...
```

Kolkata কলকাতা <i>Calcutta</i>	
— City —	
	
Country	India
State	West Bengal
Division	Presidency
District	Kolkata ^[A]
Government	
• Type	Mayor–Council
• Body	KMC
• Mayor	Sovan Chatterjee ^[1]
• Sheriff	Indrajit Ray ^[2]
• Police commissioner	Surajit Kar Purakayastha ^[3]
Area	
• City	185 km ² (71 sq mi)
• Metro	1,886.67 km ² (728.45 sq mi)
Elevation	9 m (30 ft)
Population (2011) ^[4]	
• City	4,486,679
• Rank	7th
• Density	24,000/km ² (63,000/sq mi)
• Metro ^[5]	14,112,536
• Metro rank	3rd
• Metropolitan	14,617,882 (3rd)
Demonym	Calcuttan
Time zone	IST (UTC+05:30)
ZIP code(s)	7000 xx, 7001 xx
Area code(s)	+91-33
Vehicle registration	WB 01–79
UN/LOCODE	IN CCU
Official language	Bengali and English
Major Ethnic Settlements	Bengali, Marwari, Bihari and Others
Website	www.kmcgov.in 

Links among open datasets

```
<http://dbpedia.org/resource/Kolkata>  
  owl:sameAs freebase:Kolkata ;  
  owl:sameAs <http://sws.geonames.org/1275004> ;  
  owl:sameAs <http://ru.dbpedia.org/resources/Калькутта> ;  
  ...
```



```
<http://sws.geonames.org/1275004>  
  rdfs:seeAlso <http://dbpedia.org/resource/Kolkata>  
  wgs84_pos:lat "22.56263" ;  
  wgs84_pos:long "88.36304";  
  gn:parentCountry <http://sws.geonames.org/1269750> ;  
  ...
```

Processors can switch automatically from one to the other...

The importance of Linked Data

- ▶ It provides a core set of data that applications can build on
 - stable references for “things”,
 - e.g., <http://dbpedia.org/resource/Kolkata/>
 - many many relationships that applications may reuse
 - e.g., the BBC application!
 - a “nucleus” for a larger, semantically enabled Web!

Back to the BBC...

The screenshot shows the BBC Music website for Eric Clapton. The browser address bar displays the URL www.bbc.co.uk/music/artists/618b6900-0618-4f1e-b835-bccb17f84294. The main content area on the left contains a paragraph about Clapton's career and a link to read more on Wikipedia. A white oval highlights a Wikipedia disclaimer box that reads: "WIKIPEDIA This entry is from Wikipedia, the user-contributed encyclopedia. It may not have been reviewed by professional editors and is licensed under the GNU Free Documentation License. If you find the biography content factually incorrect, defamatory or highly offensive you can edit this article at Wikipedia. Find out more about our use of this data." Below this is a "Links & Information" section with various links to Clapton's official site, fanpage, YouTube, Twitter, MySpace, Wikipedia, Last.fm, Discogs, and MusicBrainz. It also lists bands he was a member of and a collaboration. On the right, there is a sidebar with portraits and names of other artists and programs, including Richard Allinson, Gerry Anderson, The Chris Evans Breakfast Show, The Late Show with Cherrie McIlwaine, and Ken Bruce. At the bottom right, a "Similar Artists" section lists Derek and the Dominos and J.J. Cale.

helped reggae reach a mass market. Two of his most popular recordings were "Layla", recorded by Derek and the Dominos, another band he formed, and Robert Johnson's "Crossroads", recorded by Cream. Following the death of his son Conor in 1991, Clapton's grief was expressed in the song "Tears in Heaven", which featured in his Unplugged album.

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Links & Information

LINKS

- Official homepage at ericclapton.com
- Fanpage at whereseric.com
- Youtube at youtube.com/user/ericclapton
- Twitter at twitter.com/EricClaptonNews
- MySpace at myspace.com/ericclapton
- Wikipedia article on [Eric Clapton](#)
- Last.fm page on [Eric Clapton](#)
- Discogs at [discogs.com/artist/Eric Clapton](http://discogs.com/artist/Eric%20Clapton)
- MusicBrainz entry on [Eric Clapton](#)

MEMBER OF Cream (1966-1968), The Yardbirds (1963-1965), Derek and the Dominos, John Mayall & The Bluesbreakers (1965-1966), Blind Faith (1968-1969), The Louisiana Gator Boys

COLLABORATED ON The Dirty Mac (1968)

Richard Allinson
BBC Radio 2

Gerry Anderson
BBC Radio Ulster

The Chris Evans Breakfast Show
BBC Radio 2

The Late Show with Cherrie McIlwaine
BBC Radio Ulster

Ken Bruce
BBC Radio 2

Information displayed about artists played on BBC programmes is incomplete at present. [Find out more about this artist play count information](#).

Similar Artists

Derek and the Dominos

J.J. Cale


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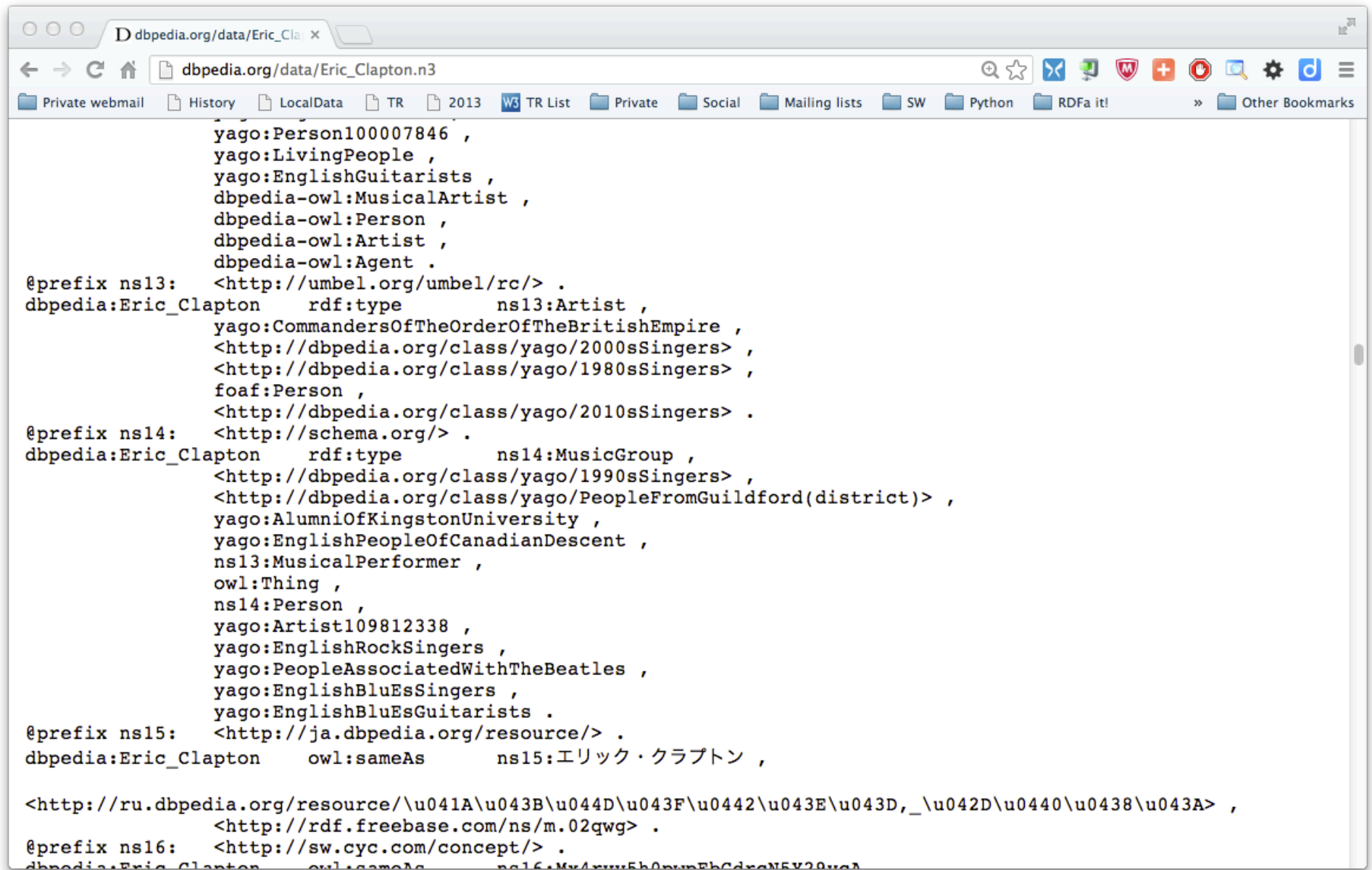
An Entity of Type : [artist](#), from Named Graph : <http://dbpedia.org>, within Data Space : [dbpedia.org](#)



Eric Patrick Clapton, CBE, (born 30 March 1945) is an English guitarist and singer-songwriter. Clapton is the only three-time inductee to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame: once as a solo artist, and separately as a member of The Yardbirds and Cream. Clapton has been referred to as one of the most important and influential guitarists of all time. Clapton ranked second in Rolling Stone magazine's list of the "100 Greatest Guitarists of All Time" and fourth in Gibson's Top 50 Guitarists of All Time.

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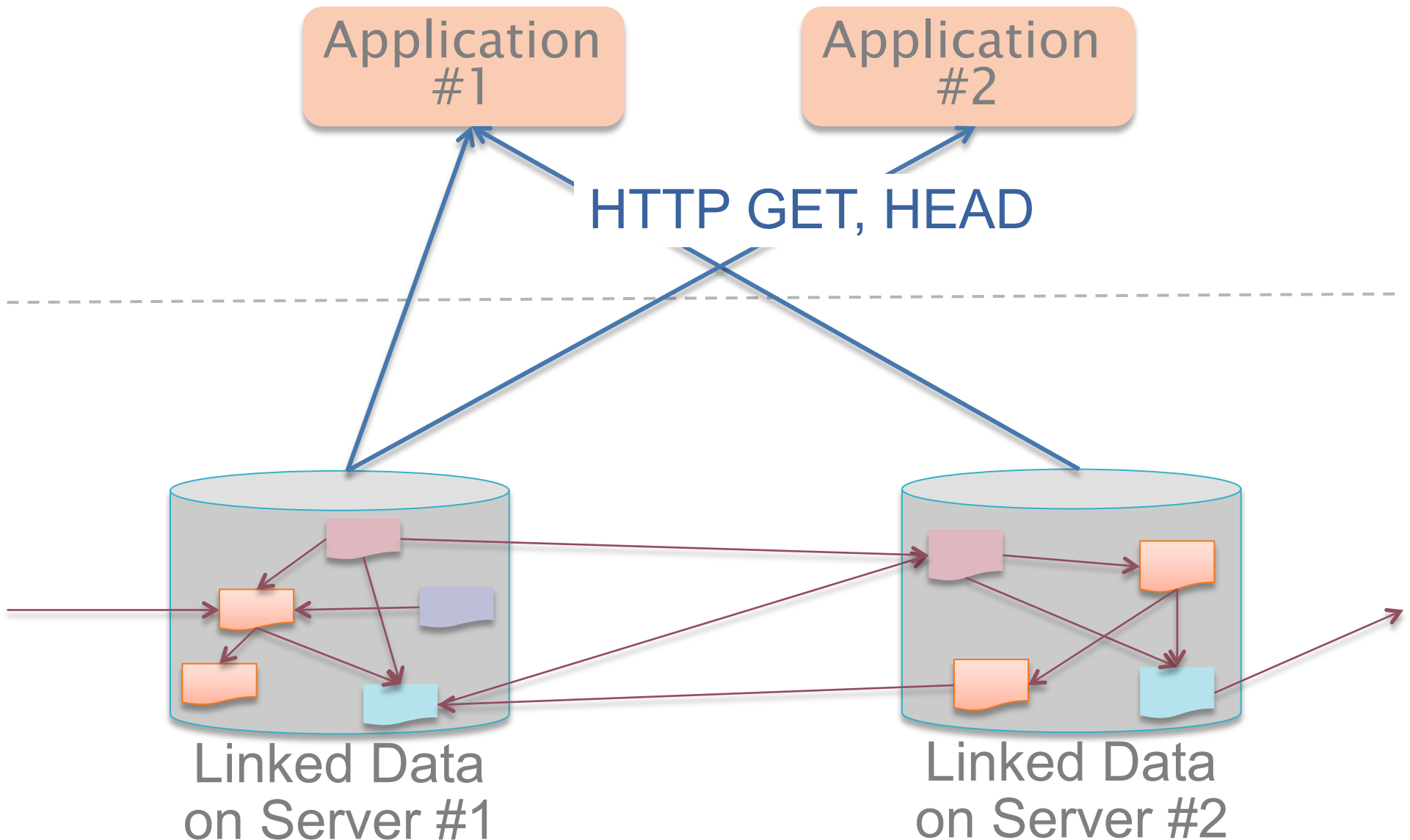
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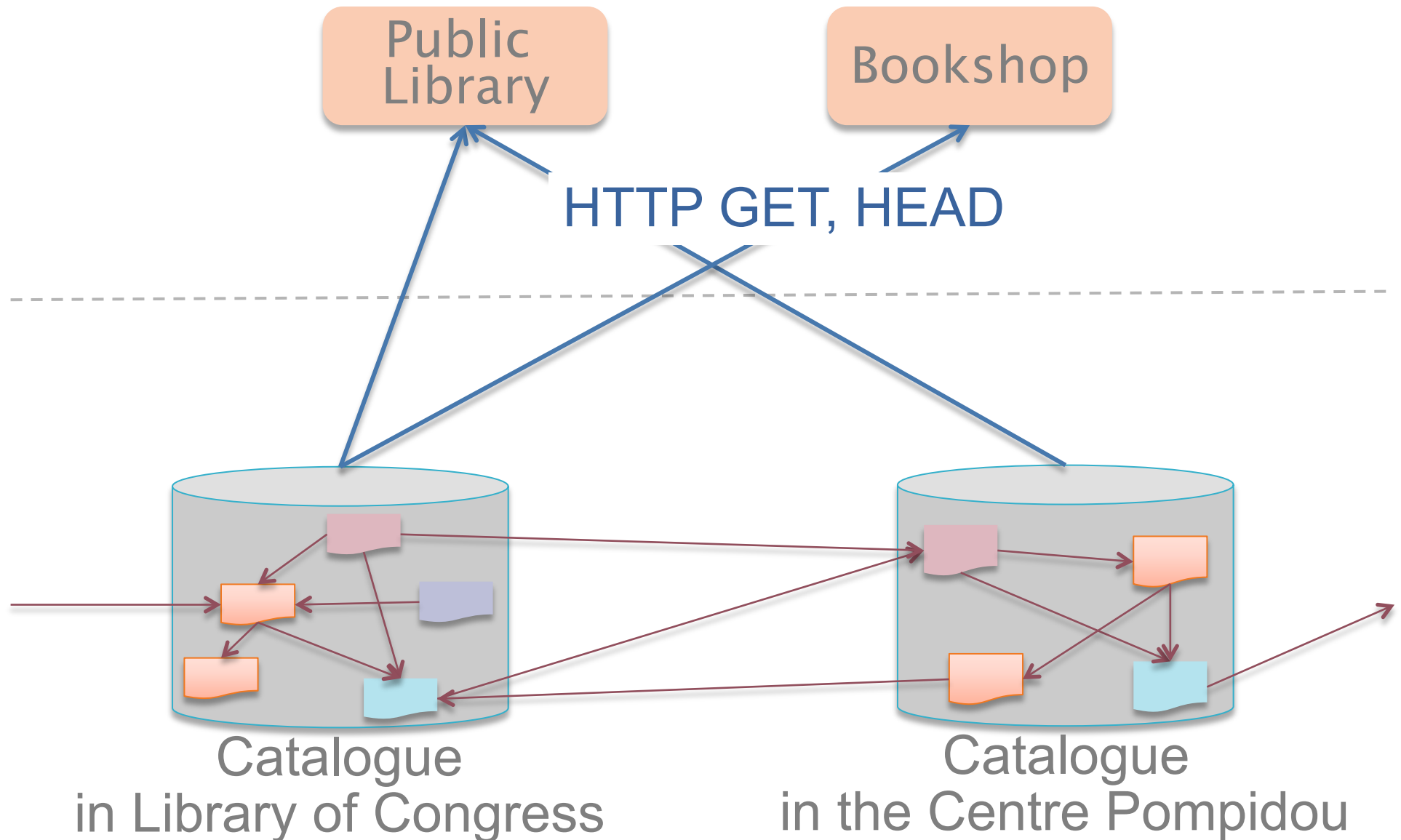
Simplest way to use Linked Data

- ▶ Use Web technologies! E.g., use HTTP...
 - extract the data via HTTP GET
 - interpret the (hopefully RDF) content to, e.g., extract new relationships and resources
- ▶ Tools are available to do that
 - although, truth must be said, it is still an evolving world

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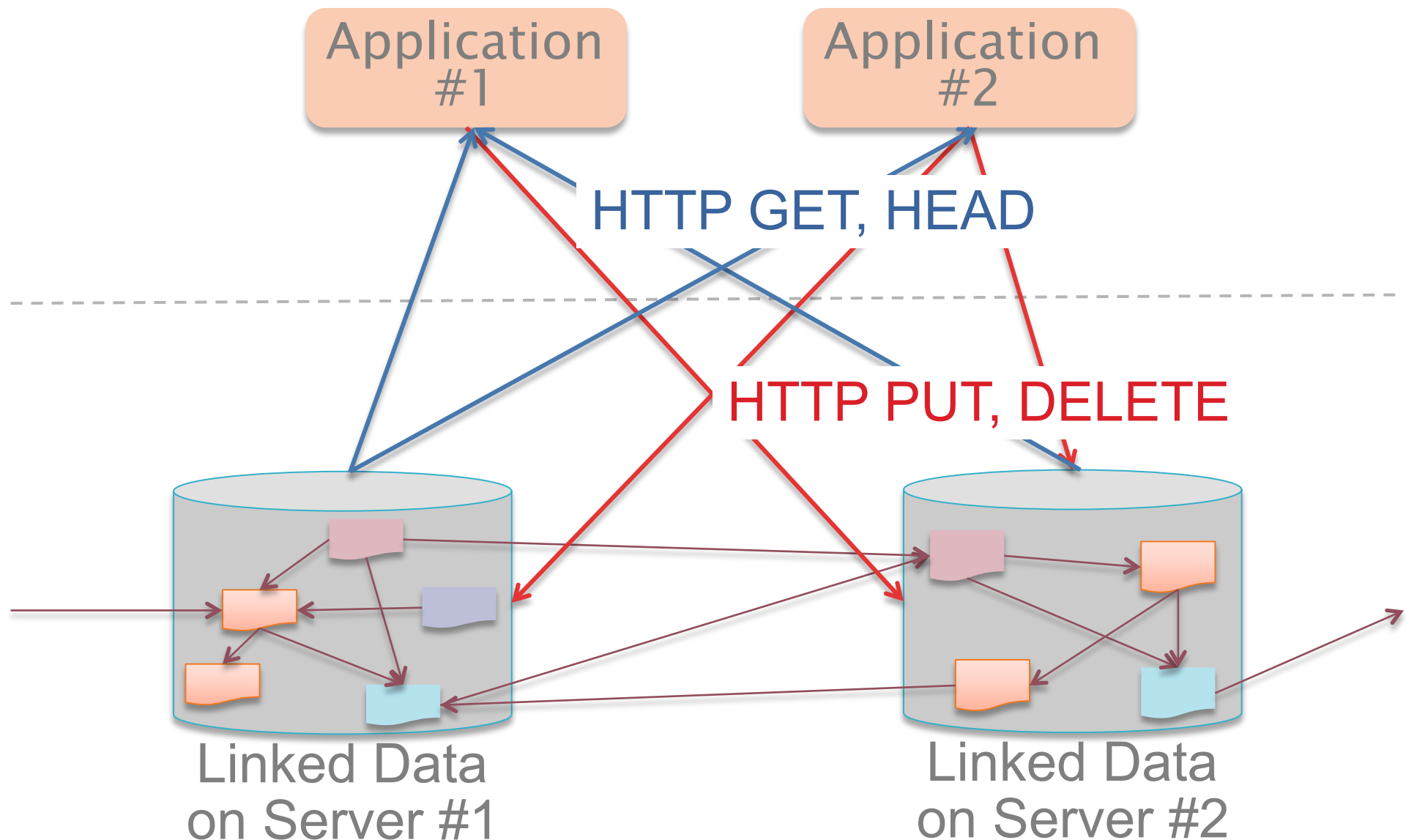
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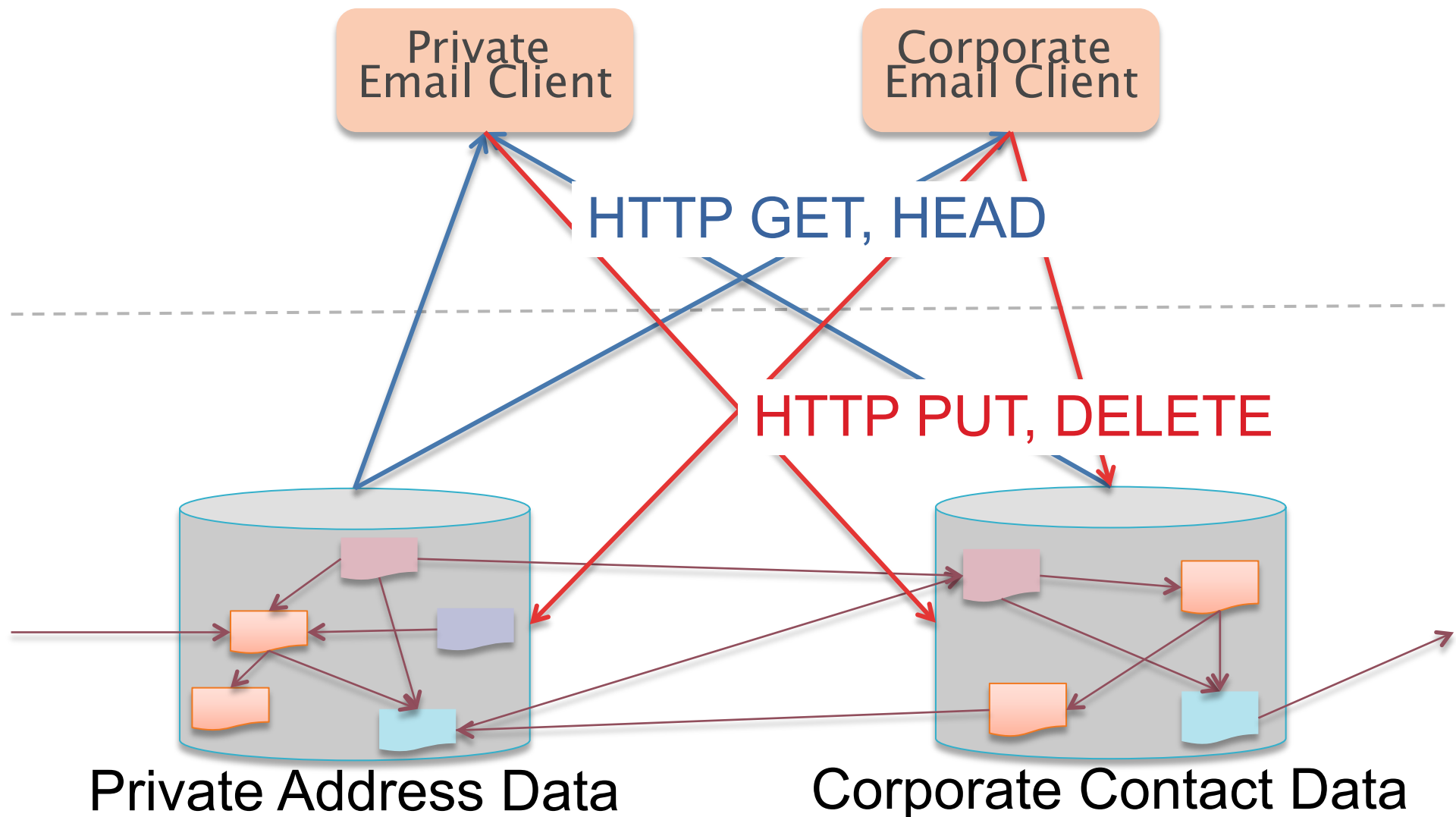
Read only vs. Read/Write

- ▶ Currently, Linked Data is dominated by *publishing* data for read-only usage
 - creating/updating the data is done “out of band”
- ▶ The future to read and write Linked Data

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Linked Data Platform (LDP)

- ▶ Define an HTTP/RESTful based infrastructure to publish, read, write, or modify linked data
 - typical usage: data intensive application in a browser, application integration using shared data...
- ▶ The infrastructure should be easy to implement and install
 - provides an “entry point” for Linked Data applications!
- ▶ The work is still ongoing at W3C...

How to Publish RDF?



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Technically: the simple approach

- ▶ Write RDF/XML, Turtle, etc. “manually”
 - in some cases that is necessary, but it really does not scale...

Access to Relational Databases

Relational Databases and RDF

- ▶ Many of the data on the Web is, in fact, in RDB-s
- ▶ Proven technology, huge systems, many vendors...
- ▶ Data integration on the Web must provide access to RDB-s
 - RDB data should be “exported” into, e.g., RDF

What is “export”?

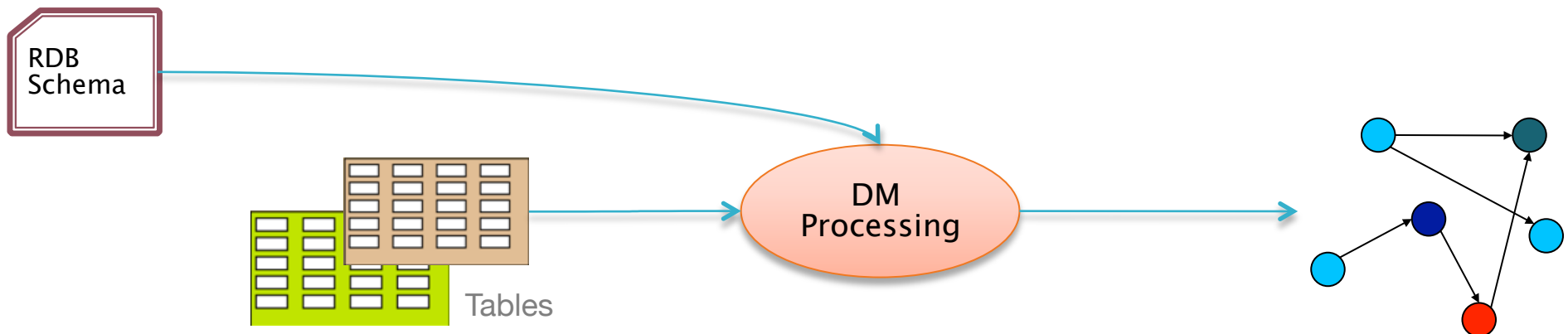
- ▶ “Export” does not necessarily mean physical conversion
 - for very large databases a “duplication” would not be an option
 - systems may provide “bridges” to make RDF queries on the fly
 - result of export is a “logical” view of the RDB content

Simple export: RDF Direct Mapping

- ▶ A standard RDF “view” of RDB tables
- ▶ Valid for all RDB-s, independently of the RDB schema
- ▶ Fundamental approach:
 - each row is turned into a series of triples with a common subject (subject URI based on primary key value)
 - column names provide the predicate names
 - cell contents are the objects as literals
 - cross-referenced tables are expressed through URI subjects

What DM processor does

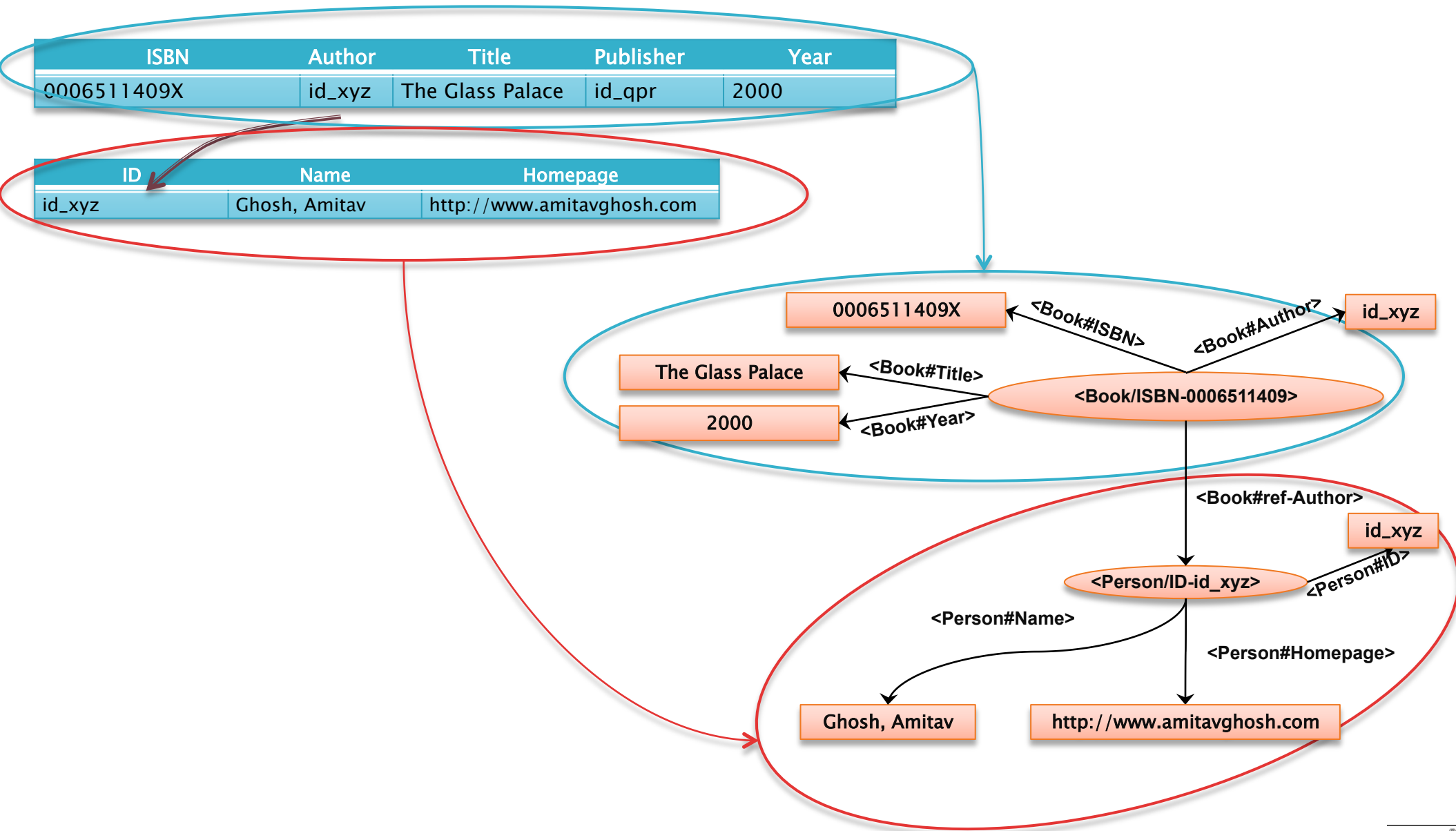
- ▶ An DM processor has access to:
 - an RDB schema
 - a database governed by the schema
- ▶ ... and produces an RDF graph using a standard mapping



Result of the Direct Mapping

- ▶ What do we get?
 - we have an RDF “view” of the RDB tables
 - *a query against the RDF view may be transformed into an SQL query against the original tables*

Direct mapping of the bookshop tables

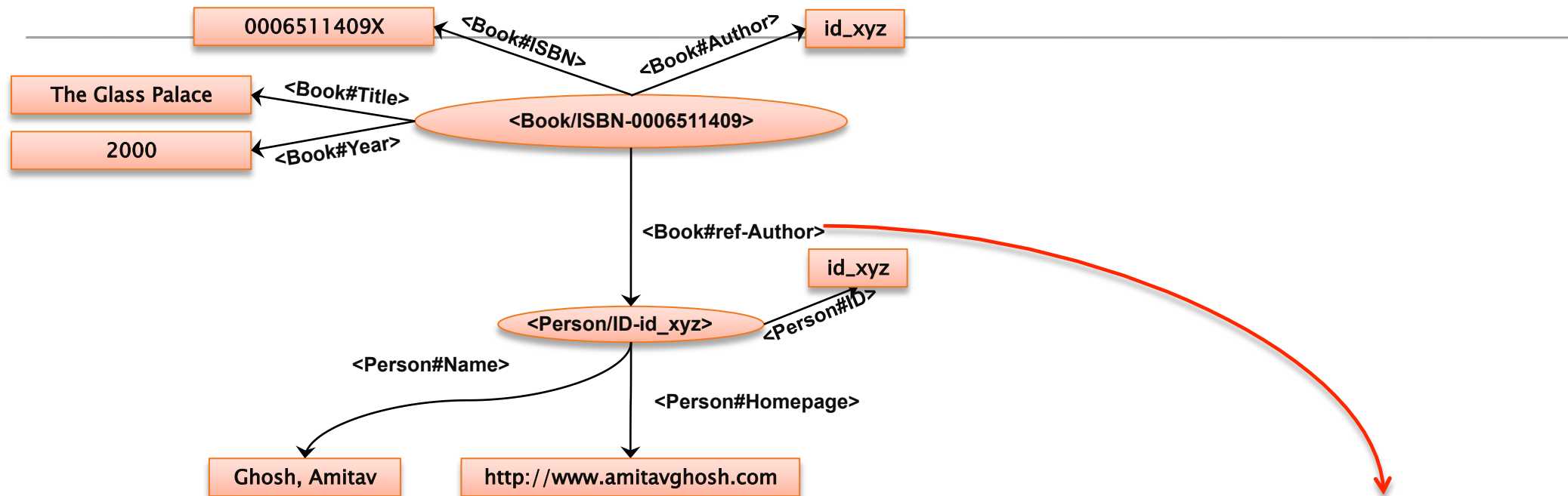


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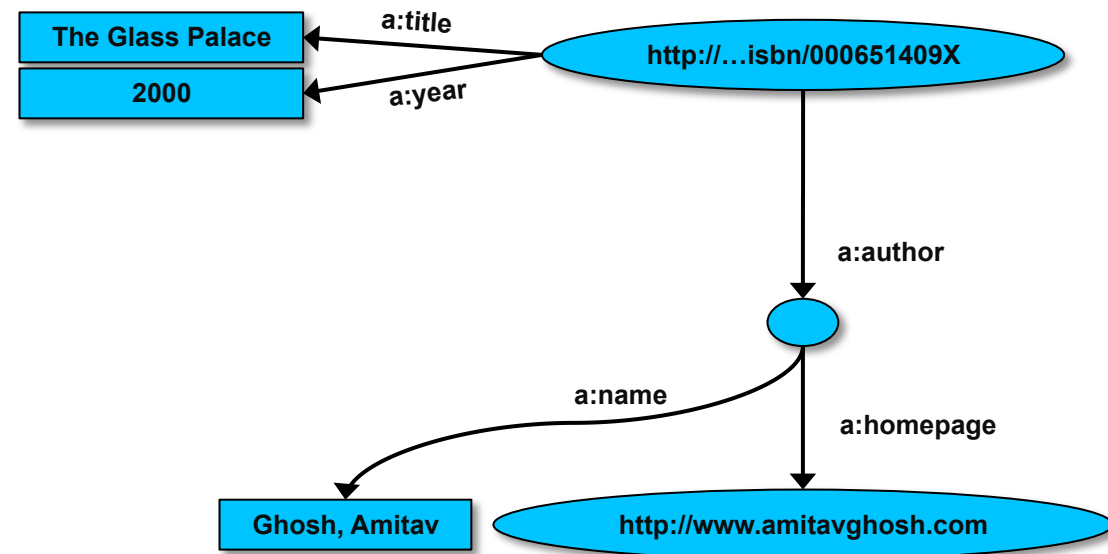
► What do we miss?

- an RDF view that is close to our application; a more “natural” view of the data
- i.e., *the result of the Direct Mapping must be transformed, somehow, into an RDF that an application may use*

Direct graph must be transformed



- ▶ Property names should be mapped
- ▶ URI-s should be minted
- ▶ Literals should be replaced by URI-s



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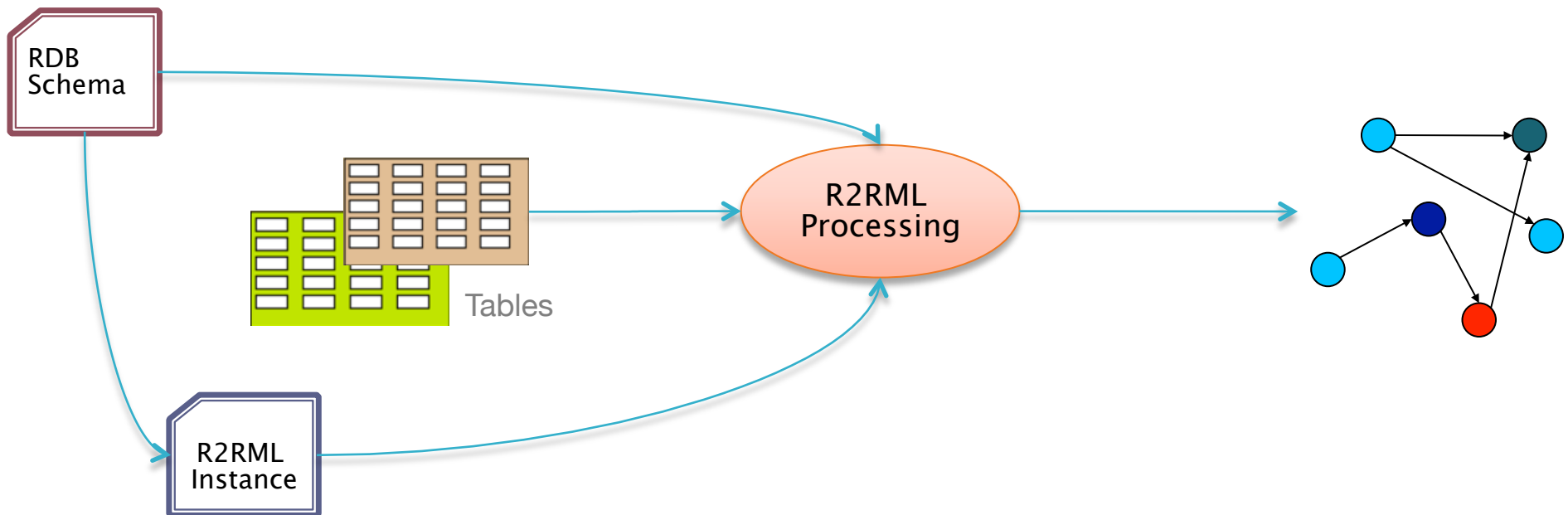
- ▶ Separate vocabulary for a finer control of the mapping
 - gets to the final RDF graph with one processing step
- ▶ Fundamentals are similar:
 - each row is turned into a series of triples with a common subject
 - cross-referenced tables linked via URI-s

Enters R2RML

- ▶ There is a finer control over the structure of the result graph
 - the format of the (common) subject URI can be controlled
 - objects might be URI-s generated on the fly via templates from column names
 - datatypes can be assigned to literal objects
 - “virtual” tables can be generated through SQL before processing them through R2RML
- ▶ R2RML can generate the final RDF ready to be used by an application

What R2RML processor does

- ▶ An R2RML processor has access to:
 - an RDB schema
 - an R2RML instance
 - a database governed by the schema
- ▶ ... and produces an RDF graph



CSV Data

- ▶ CSV (“Comma Separated Value”) may be the single most widespread format of datasets published on the Web
- ▶ There is no standard RDF mapping yet, but...
- ▶ ... the structure is very close to a relational table
- ▶ W3C plans to start a group that will (also) standardize that mapping
 - pretty much along the lines of the Direct Mapping

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RDF with HTML

- ▶ By adding some “meta” information, the same *source* can be reused
 - typical example: your personal information, like address, should be readable for humans and processable by machines
- ▶ Some solutions have emerged:
 - add extra statements in *microdata* or *RDFa* that can be converted to RDF
 - microdata can be used for a (useful) subset of RDF
 - RDFa is, essentially, a complete serialization of RDF

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schema.org

- ▶ Schema.org is a cooperation of search engines (Bing, Google, Yahoo!, and Yandex)
- ▶ *It is a large vocabulary* that they all understand
- ▶ The terms are extracted from HTML5+microdata or HTML5+RDFa
 - the various partners use it for different purposes
 - *it can be used by anyone outside of the search world!*

Review - schema.org

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Review

A review of an item – for example, a restaurant, movie, or store.

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Properties from Thing		
additionalType	URL	An additional type for the item, typically used for adding more specific types from external vocabularies in microdata syntax. This is a relationship between something and a class that the thing is in. In RDFa syntax, it is better to use the native RDFa syntax – the 'typeof' attribute – for multiple types. Schema.org tools may have only weaker understanding of extra types, in particular those defined externally.
description	Text	A short description of the item.
image	URL	URL of an image of the item.
name	Text	The name of the item.
sameAs	URL	URL of a reference Web page that unambiguously indicates the item's identity. E.g. the URL of the item's Wikipedia page, Freebase page, or official website.
url	URL	URL of the item.
Properties from CreativeWork		
about	Thing	The subject matter of the content.
accountablePerson	Person	Specifies the Person that is legally accountable for the CreativeWork.
aggregateRating	AggregateRating	The overall rating, based on a collection of reviews or ratings, of the item.
alternativeHeadline	Text	A secondary title of the CreativeWork.
associatedMedia	MediaObject	The media objects that encode this creative work. This property is a synonym for encodings.
audience	Audience	The intended audience of the item, i.e. the group for whom the item was created.
audio	AudioObject	An embedded audio object.
author	Organization or Person	The author of this content. Please note that author is special in that HTML 5 provides a special mechanism for indicating authorship via the rel tag. That is equivalent to this and may be used interchangeably.
award	Text	An award won by this person or for this creative work.
awards	Text	Awards won by this person or for this creative work. (legacy spelling; see singular form, award)
citation	CreativeWork or	A citation or reference to another creative work, such as another publication, web page, scholarly article, etc.

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The Artist showtimes for Amsterdam

Pathe Tuschinski - Reguliersbreestraat 26-34, Amsterdam - [Map](#)

11:50 - 14:05 - 19:10

Filmtheater "De Uitkijk" - Prinsengracht 452, Amsterdam - [Map](#)

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The Artist (2011) - IMDb

www.imdb.com/title/tt1655442/

Silent **movie** star George Valentin bemoans the coming era of talking ... Still of Jean Dujardin and Missi Pyle in **The Artist** Still of Bérénice Bejo in **The Artist** Reem ...

→ [Full cast and crew](#) - [The Artist Trailer \(Official ...](#) - [Bérénice Bejo](#) - [Jean Dujardin](#)

The Artist (film) - Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

[en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Artist_\(film\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Artist_(film))

The Artist is a 2011 French romantic comedy drama in the style of a black-and-white silent **film** written and directed by Michel Hazanavicius, starring Jean ...

→ [Jean Dujardin](#) - [Bérénice Bejo](#) - [Uggie](#) - [Diegesis](#)

The Artist Trailer 2011 HD - YouTube



www.youtube.com/watch?v=O8K9AZcSQJE

25 Aug 2011 - 3 min - Uploaded by TrailersApplecom

I love how George Clooney, and Brad Pitt, lost the Best actor category to this **film**. It just shows that there is ...

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Oscars 2012: The Artist, review - Telegraph

www.telegraph.co.uk/Culture/Film/Film-Reviews

★★★★★ Review by Robbie Collin

27 Feb 2012 – **The Artist**, the final **film** to be released in 2011 and also the most heart-swellingly joyful one, is a silent **movie**, screened in black and white and ...

The Artist is the perfect **film** about Hollywood | Hadley Freeman

HTML+^{*} can also be generated

- ▶ CMS systems may generate such data automatically
 - e.g., Drupal 7 generates pages with RDFa included
- ▶ There are a number of plugins to blogging systems
 - generate HTML+RDFa or HTML+microdata

How to Polish Data?

gatech.txt (~/.Documents/06MTOP/2007data) - VIM

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Some things to remember if you publish data

- ▶ Publish your data first, care about sexy user interfaces later!
 - the “raw data” can become useful on its own right and others may use it
 - you can add your added value later by providing nice user access
- ▶ If possible, publish your data in RDF but if you cannot, others may help you in conversions
 - trust the community...
- ▶ Add links to other data. “Just” publishing isn’t enough...

Some things to remember if you publish data

- ▶ Think about persistence and versioning
 - others may depend on the data you publish...
- ▶ Be careful about URIs you choose
 - avoid being very domain dependent; e.g., your institution's name may change at some point
 - use some consistent URI structure
 - e.g. `http://publications.europa.edu/{type}/{subtype}`
 - etc.
- ▶ Avoid reinventing the wheel when choosing vocabularies


Some things to remember if you publish data

- ▶ Document your data, i.e., provide metadata
 - there are vocabularies to do this
 - Data Catalog Vocabulary (DCAT)
 - Vocabulary of Interlinked Datasets (VoID)
 - DCTERMS (of course 😊)
 - vocabularies for licensing (Open Data Commons, government licenses)
 - this area is still very much in development...
- ▶ A new group on Best Practices will start at W3C soon

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minimal

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Quality control processes are described at
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Technical Information

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A close-up photograph of a large pile of M&M's candies in orange, green, and pink colors. Many of the candies have text printed on them, including 'MIT IAP 2010', 'Linked Data', 'Semantic Web', and 'MIT IAP'. One orange candy in the foreground has the M&M's logo. The candies are scattered on a light-colored surface.

Query and Update RDF: (SPARQL)

RDF data access

- ▶ The LDP approach is great to build up simple applications
- ▶ But as data grows, complexity of relationships grows
 - more sophisticated query possibilities are necessary
 - triples are stored in (possibly very large) databases (“triple stores”)
- ▶ How do I query the RDF data?

Querying RDF graphs

- ▶ Remember the Python+RDFLib idiom:

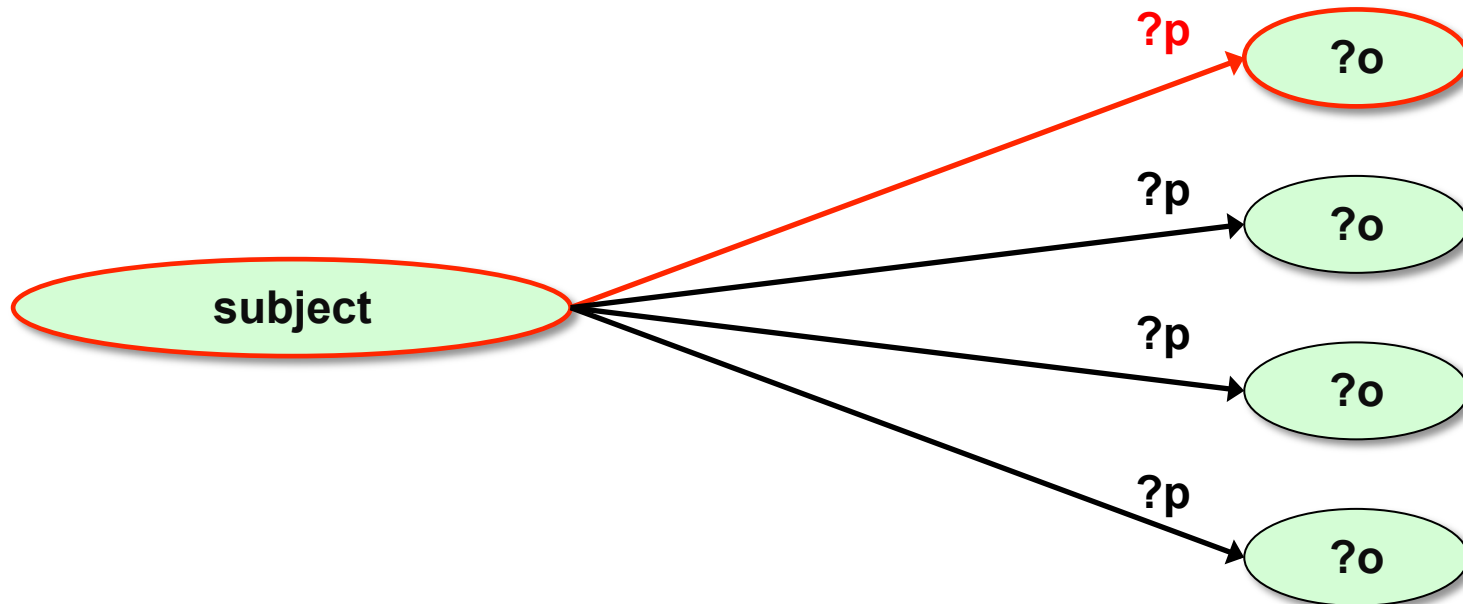
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for (s,p,o) in graph.triples((subject,None,None)) :  
    do_something(p,o)
```

Querying RDF graphs

- ▶ In practice, more complex queries into the RDF data are necessary
 - something like: “give me the (a, b) pair of resources, for which there is an x such that (x parent a) and (b brother x) holds” (i.e., return the uncles)
 - these rules may become quite complex
- ▶ The goal of SPARQL (Query Language for RDF)

Analyze the Python+RDFLib example

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for (s,p,o) in graph.triples((subject,None,None)) :  
    do_something(p,o)
```



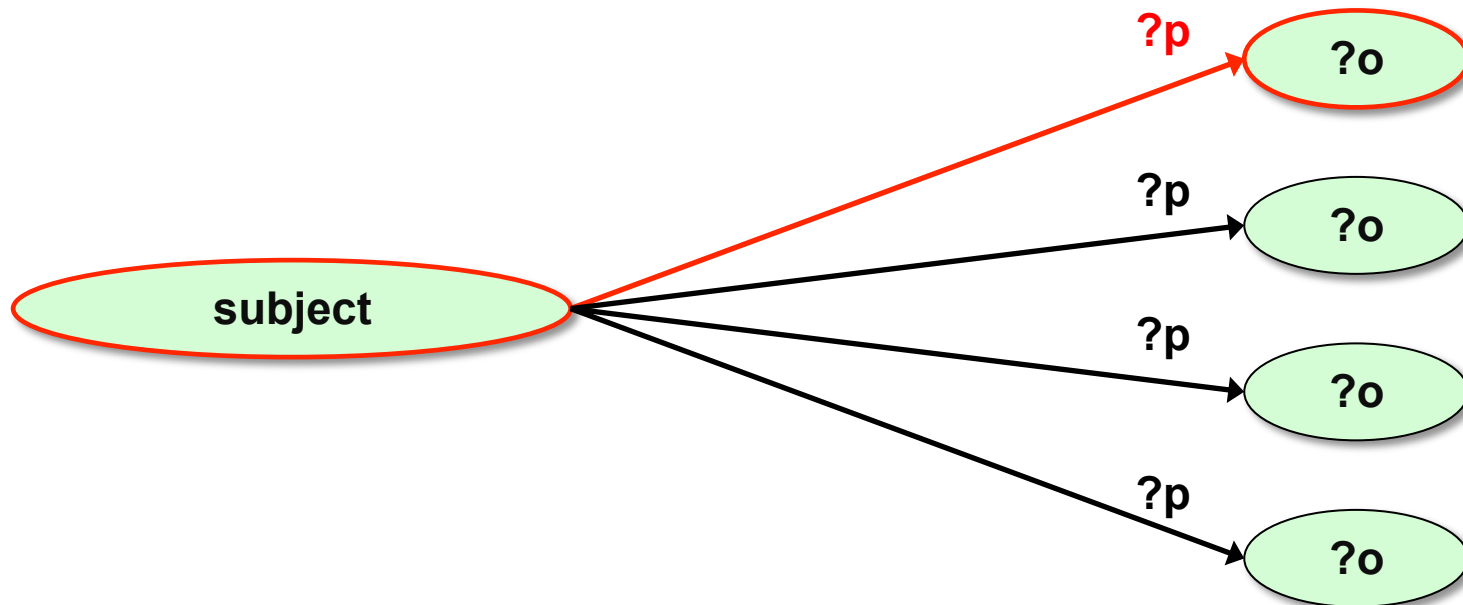
General: graph patterns

- ▶ The fundamental idea: use graph patterns
 - the pattern contains unbound symbols
 - by binding the symbols, subgraphs of the RDF graph are selected
 - if there is such a selection, the query returns the bound resources

Our Python example in SPARQL

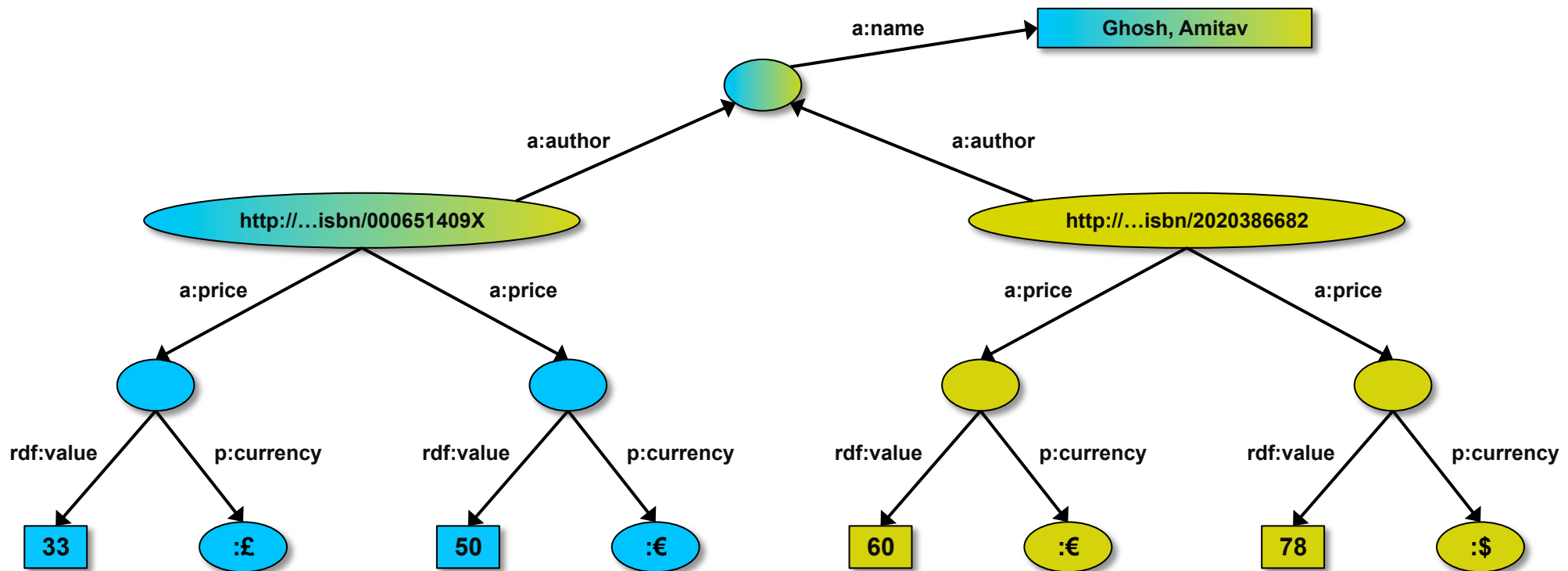
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SELECT ?p ?o  
WHERE {subject ?p ?o}
```

- ▶ The triples in WHERE define the graph pattern, with ?p and ?o “unbound” symbols
- ▶ The query returns all p, o pairs



Simple SPARQL example

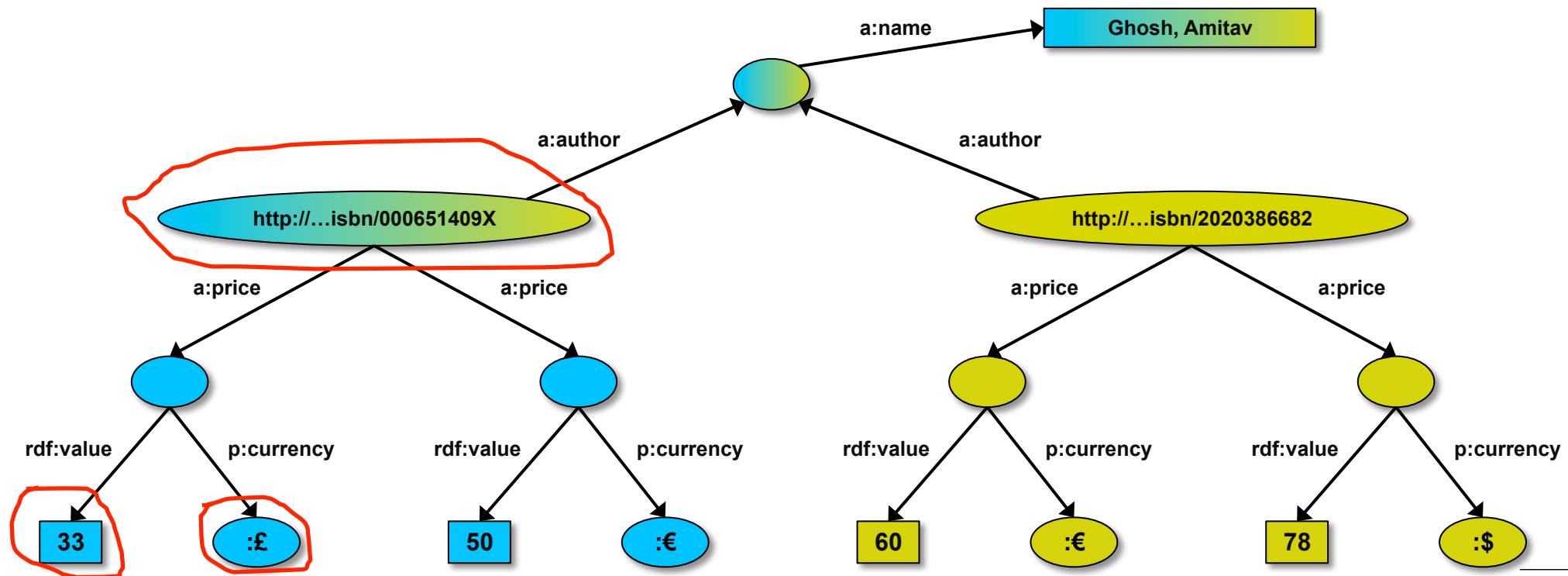
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SELECT ?isbn ?price ?currency # note: not ?x!  
WHERE {?isbn a:price ?x. ?x rdf:value ?price. ?x p:currency ?currency.}
```



Simple SPARQL example

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SELECT ?isbn ?price ?currency # note: not ?x!  
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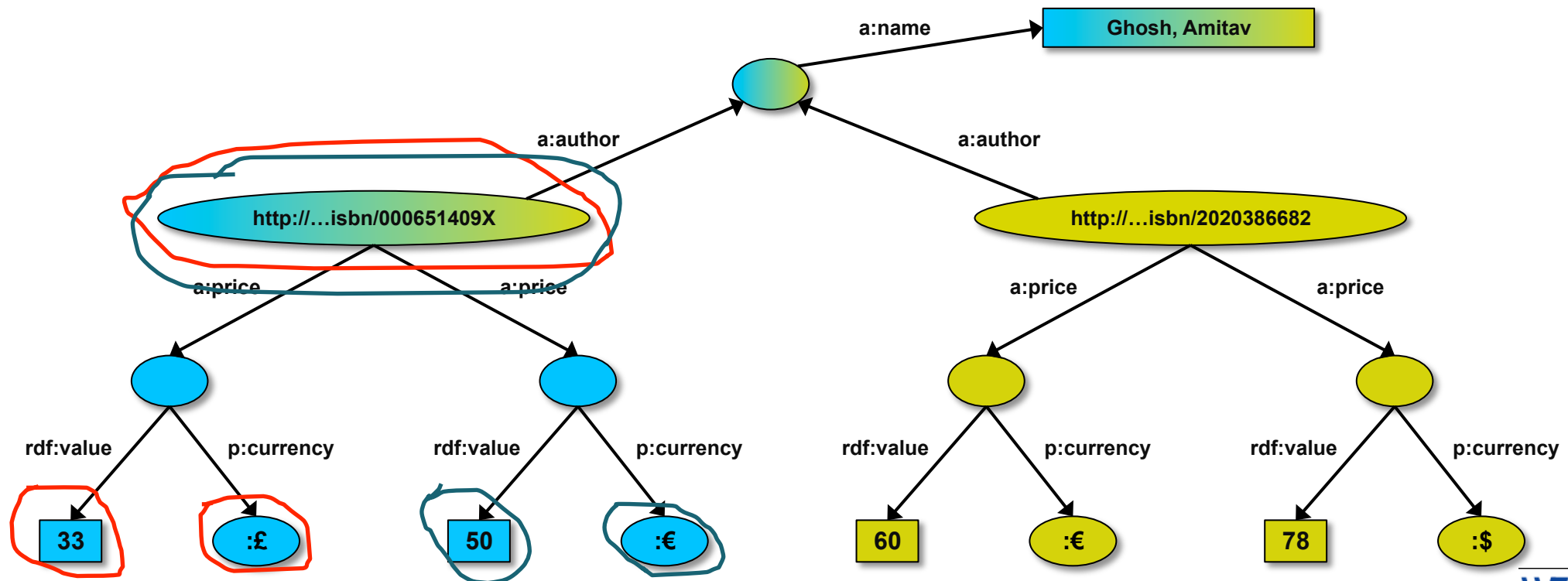
Returns: [**<...409X>,33,:£**]



Simple SPARQL example

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SELECT ?isbn ?price ?currency # note: not ?x!  
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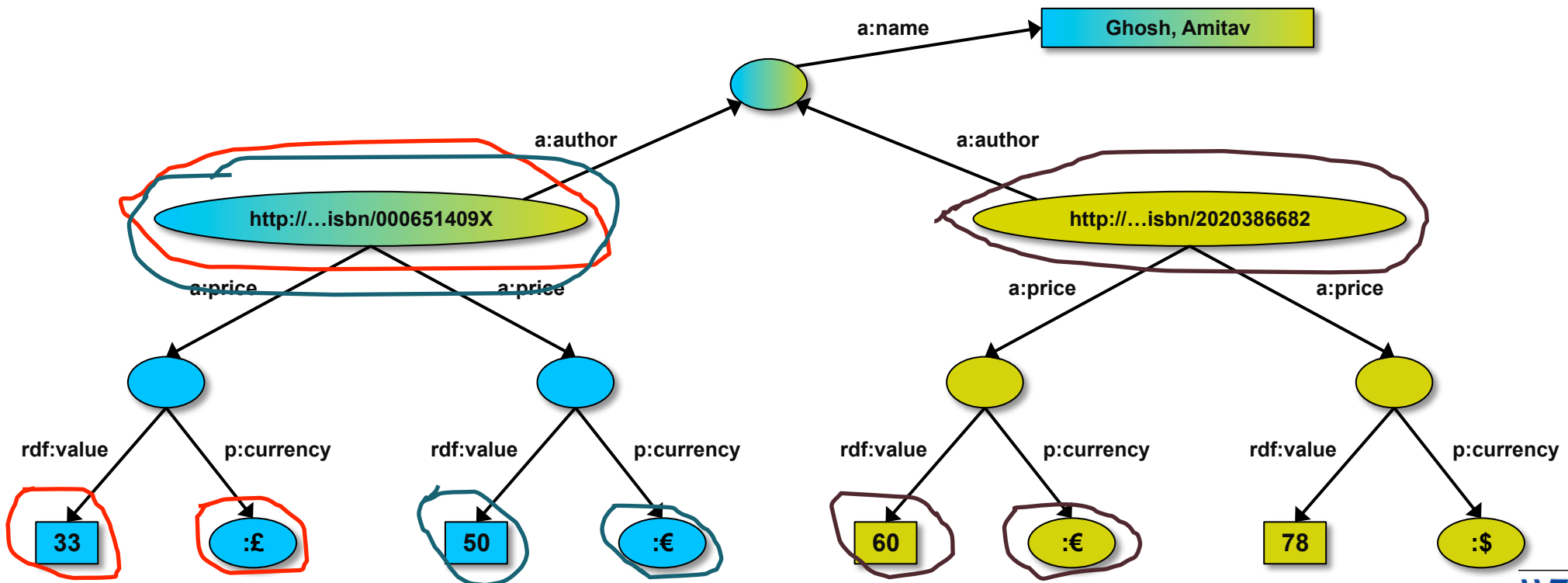
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Simple SPARQL example

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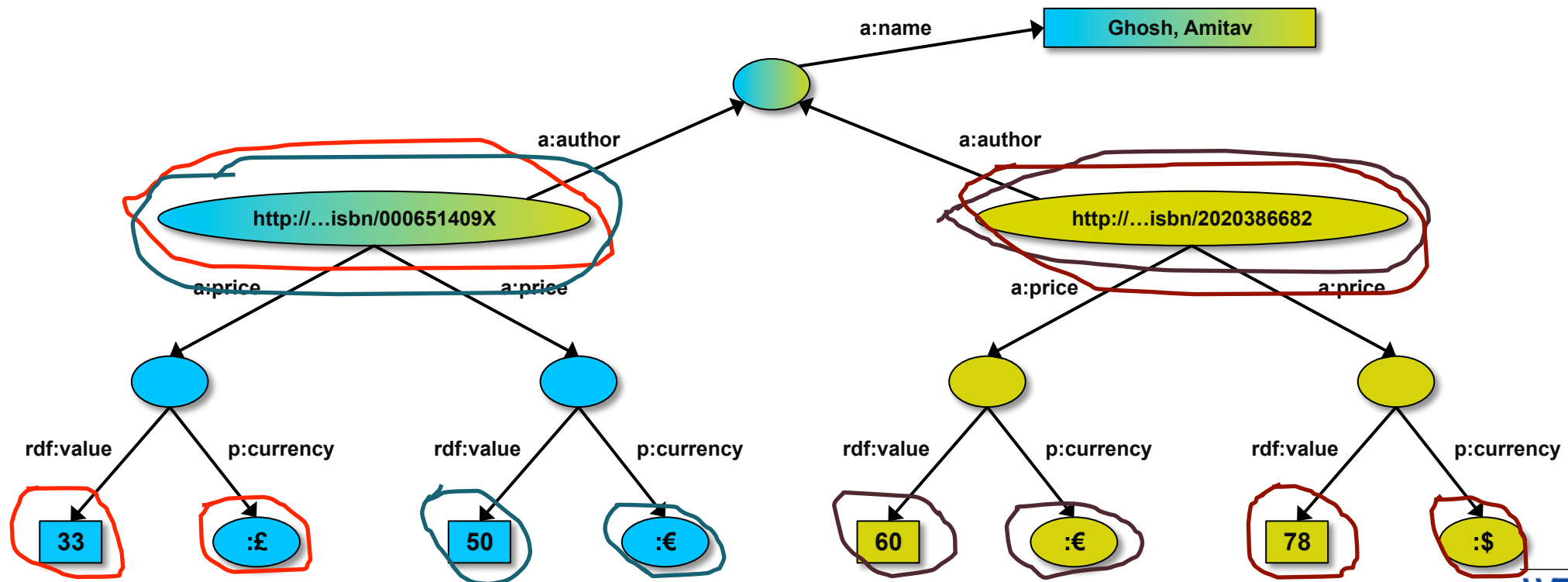
Returns: [**<...409X>,33,:£**], [**<...409X>,50,:€**],
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Simple SPARQL example

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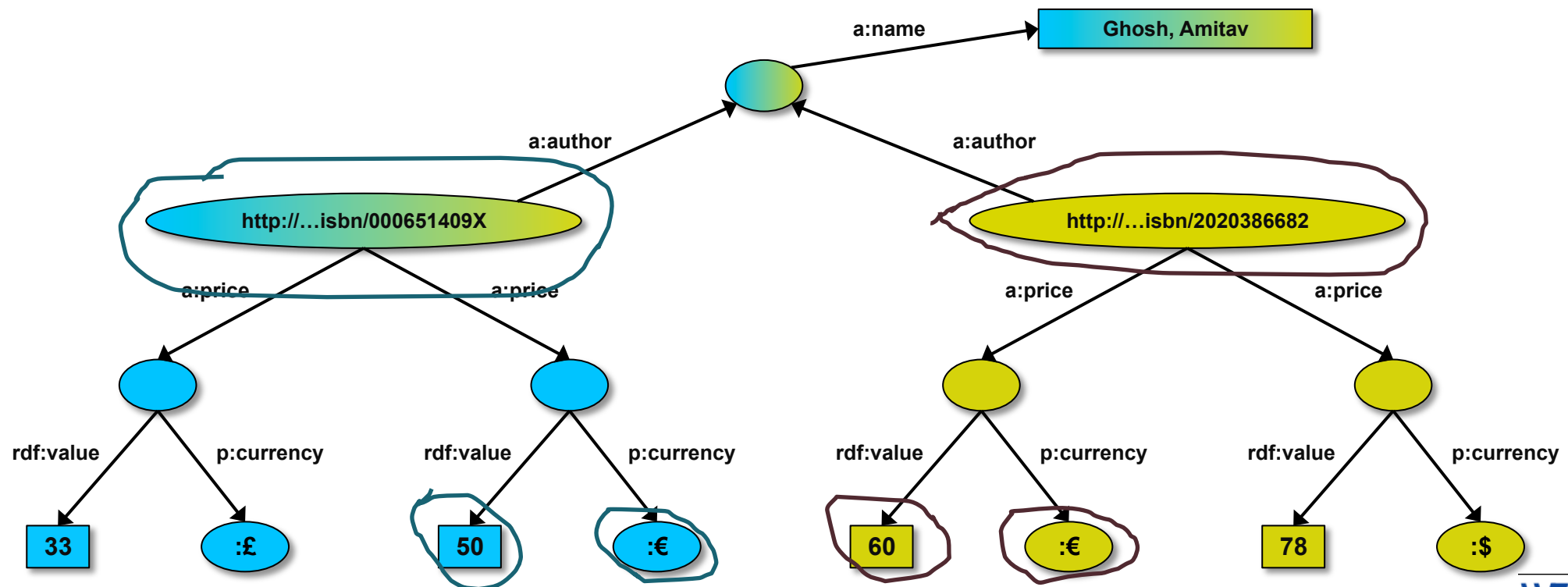
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Pattern constraints

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SELECT ?isbn ?price ?currency # note: not ?x!  
WHERE { ?isbn a:price ?x. ?x rdf:value ?price. ?x p:currency ?currency.  
        FILTER(?currency == :€) }
```

Returns: [<...409X>,50,:€], [<...6682>,60,:€]



Other SPARQL features

- ▶ Limit the number of returned results; remove duplicates, sort them, ...
- ▶ Optional patterns
- ▶ CONSTRUCT new graphs, not only return data
- ▶ Use datatypes and/or language tags when matching a pattern
- ▶ Aggregation of the results (min, max, average, etc.)
- ▶ Path expressions (a bit like regular expressions)

SPARQL usage in practice

- ▶ SPARQL is usually used over the network
 - HTTP request is sent to a SPARQL endpoint
 - return is the result of the SELECT, the CONSTRUCT,...
- ▶ Separate documents define the protocol and the result format
 - SPARQL Protocol for RDF with HTTP and SOAP bindings
 - SPARQL results in XML or JSON formats
- ▶ Many big datasets usually offer “SPARQL endpoints” using this protocol

SPARQL Update

- ▶ SPARQL CONSTRUCT returns a new, modified graph
 - the original data remains unchanged!
- ▶ SPARQL Update *modifies the original dataset!*

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Bathing water at Felixstowe South

Suffolk, England **Local authority:** Suffolk Coastal District
Year of designation: 1988

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Felixstowe is a resort town but is also home to the country's largest container port on the Orwell Estuary. Felixstowe South is a sand and shingle beach gently sloping to the sea in a sheltered bay. There is sand at low tide. The beach is backed by a promenade and gardens.

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lat/long: 51.9543304067933, 1.34146436108153; easting/northing: 629700, 233700
View in: [Google Maps](#), [Bing Maps](#), [OpenStreetMap](#)

Nearby bathing waters:
[Felixstowe North](#), [Dovercourt](#), [Walton](#), [Frinton](#)

Bathing water quality results

Recent results from water quality assessments under the Bathing Water Directive appear below, or [view more details of assessment results](#)

Annual Compliance Results					Latest weekly in season
2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	Tue, 25 Jun 2013 10:15:00
Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	

Catchment map

EA bathing water sampling location
 Surface water catchment boundary

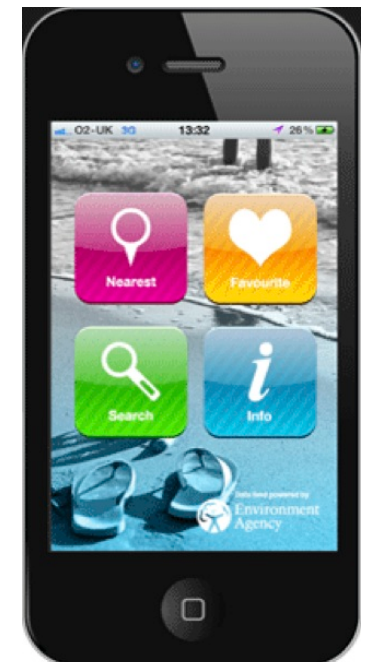
Bathing water map

EA bathing water sampling location:

- higher standard
- minimum standard
- fail
- closed
- not classified
- Surface water outfall
- Emergency or storm overflow
- River or stream
- Treated sewage works outfall
- Disused outfall

Catchment description

The River Deben is 5km to the north and this drains a large mixed catchment. The Orwell and Stour estuary is 3km to the south and drains a large catchment containing some industry and the Port of Felixstowe





Vocabularies

But what about RDFS?

- ▶ RDFS is enough for many vocabularies
- ▶ But not for all!

Some technologies have emerged

- ▶ To re-use thesauri, glossaries, etc: **SKOS**
- ▶ To define more complex vocabularies with a strong logical underpinning: **OWL**

A photograph of a city skyline at sunset. The sky is a mix of pink, orange, and purple. Several tall, modern buildings are visible, some with lights on. In the foreground, there's a body of water and some streetlights.

Thesauri, glossaries (SKOS)

SKOS

- ▶ Represent and share classifications, glossaries, thesauri, etc
 - for example:
 - Dewey Decimal Classification, Art and Architecture Thesaurus, ACM classification of keywords and terms...
 - classification/formalization of Web 2.0 type tags
- ▶ Define classes and properties to add those structures to an RDF universe
 - allow for a quick port of this traditional data, combine it with other data

The term “Fiction”, as defined by the Library of Congress

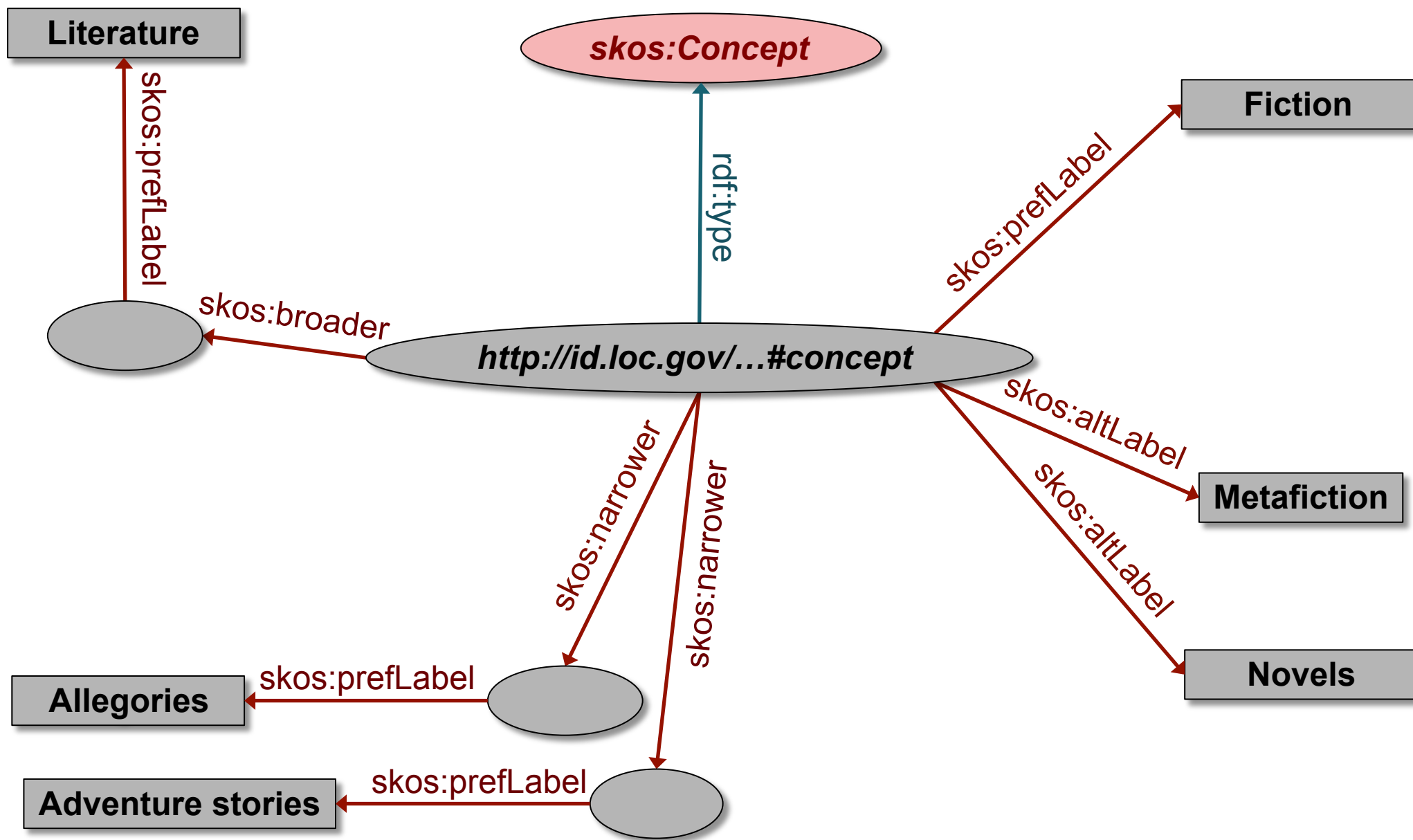
The screenshot displays the Library of Congress Subject Headings (LCSH) page for the term "Fiction" (sh85048050). The page is titled "Fiction - LC Linked Data" and shows the URI <http://id.loc.gov/authorities/subjects/sh85048050>. The page is divided into several sections, each with a red circle highlighting a specific part:

- URI(s)**:
 - <http://id.loc.gov/authorities/subjects/sh85048050>
 - <info:lc/authorities/sh85048050>
 - <http://id.loc.gov/authorities/sh85048050#concept>
- Instance Of**:
 - [MADS/RDF Topic](#)
 - [MADS/RDF Authority](#)
 - [SKOS Concept](#)
- Scheme Membership(s)**:
 - [Library of Congress Subject Headings](#)
- Collection Membership(s)**:
 - [LCSH Collection - Authorized Headings](#)
 - [LCSH Collection - General Collection](#)
- Variants**:
 - [Fiction--Philosophy](#)
 - [Metafiction](#)
 - [Novellas \(Short novels\)](#)
 - [Novels](#)
 - [Stories](#)
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 - [Literature](#)
- Narrower Terms**:
 - [Adventure stories](#)
 - [Allegories](#)
 - [Alternative histories \(Fiction\)](#)

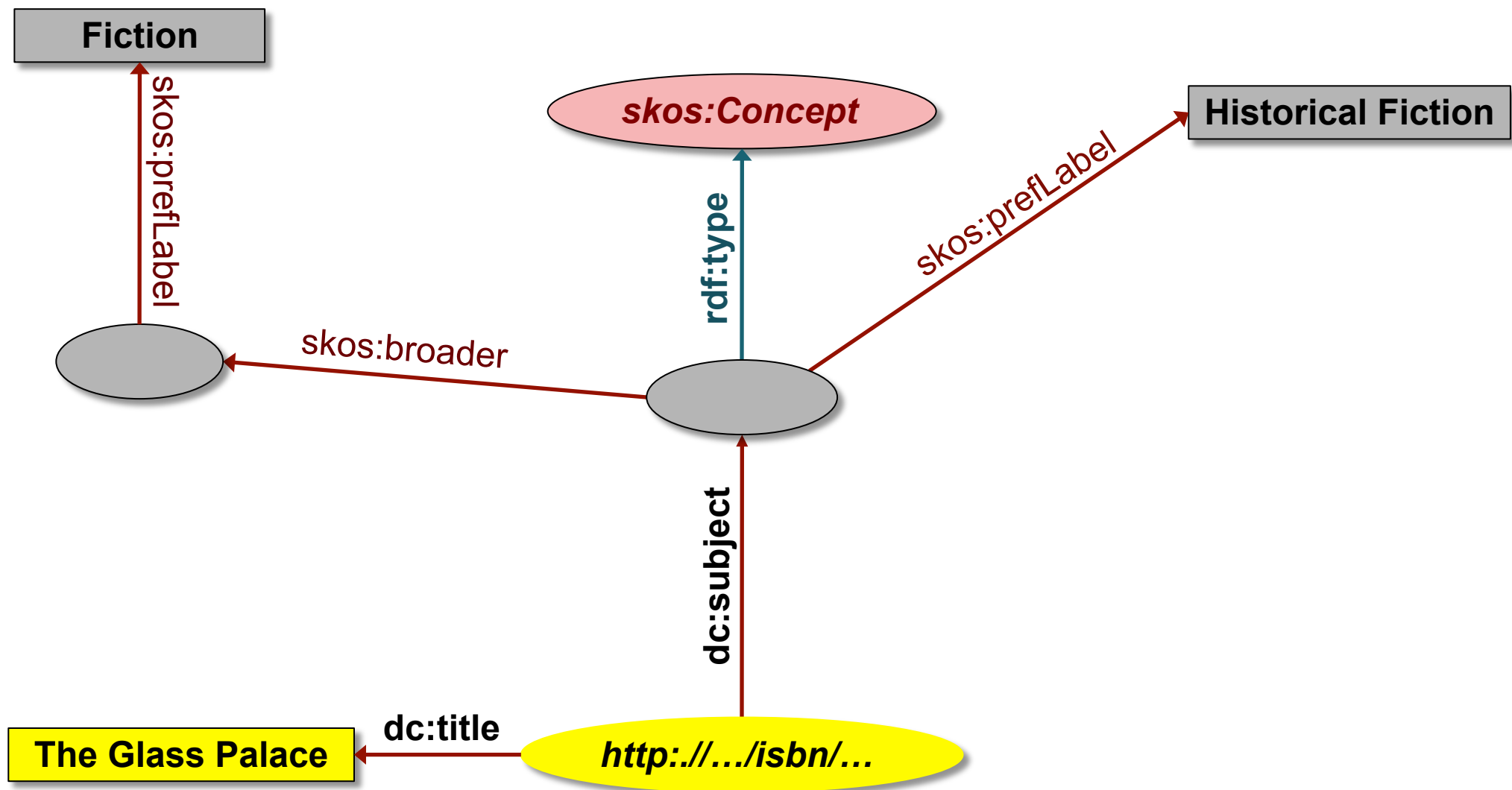
Thesauri have identical structures...

- ▶ The structure of the LOC page is fairly typical
 - label, variants/alternate label, narrower, broader, ...
 - there is even an ISO standard for these
- ▶ SKOS provides a basic structure to create an RDF representation of these

LOC's "Fiction" in SKOS/RDF



Usage of the LOC graph



Importance of SKOS

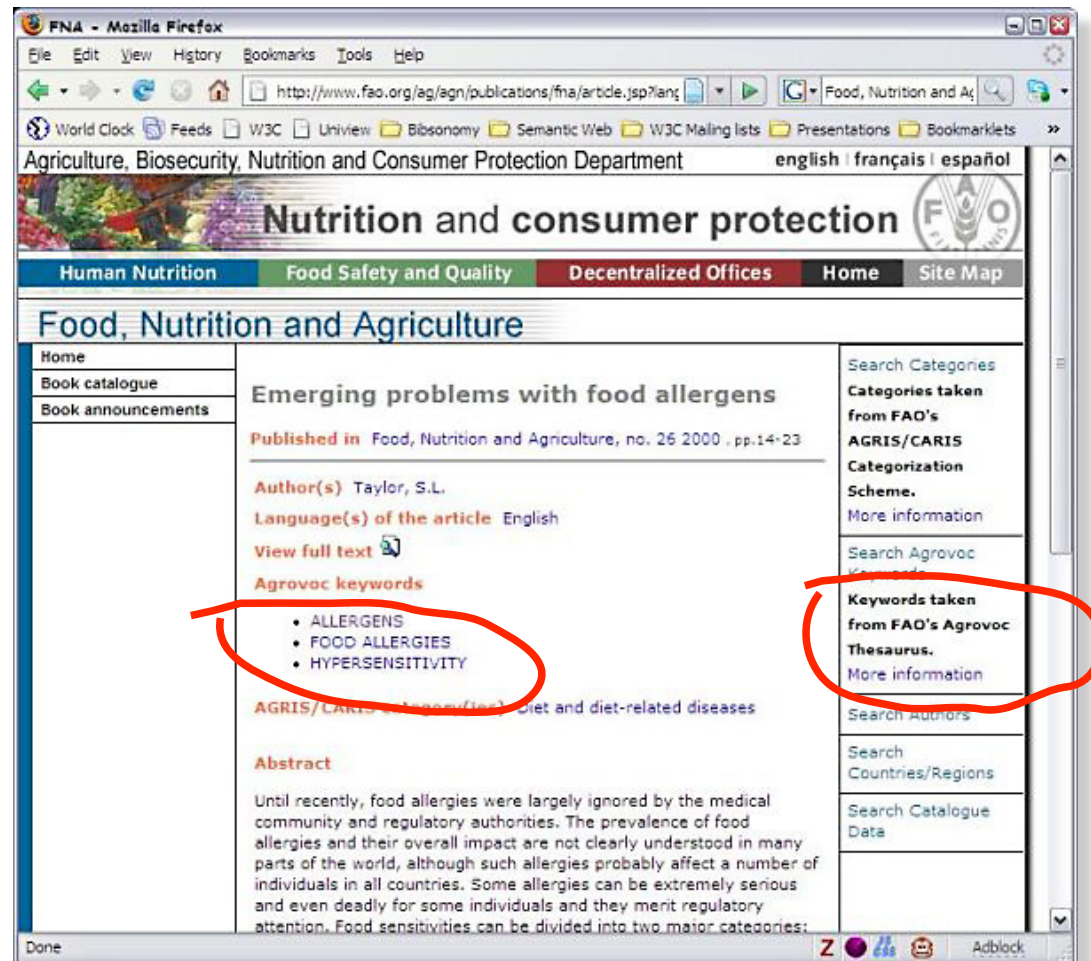
- ▶ SKOS provides a simple bridge between the “print world” and the (Semantic) Web
- ▶ Thesauri, glossaries, etc., from the library community can be made available
 - LOC is a good example
- ▶ SKOS can also be used to organize, e.g., tags, annotate other vocabularies, ...

Importance of SKOS

- ▶ Anybody in the World can refer to common concepts
 - they mean the same for everybody
- ▶ Applications may exploit the relationships among concepts
 - e.g., I can make SPARQL searches for, say, works that are categorized as “Fiction”, albeit indirectly only

Example: FAO Journal portal

- ▶ Improved search on journal content based on an agricultural ontology and thesaurus (AGROVOC)





Ontologies (OWL)

SKOS is not enough...

- ▶ SKOS may be used to provide simple vocabularies
- ▶ But it is not a complete solution
 - it concentrates on the concepts only
 - no characterization of properties in general
 - simple from a logical perspective
 - i.e., only a few inferences are possible

Application may want more...

- ▶ Complex applications may want more possibilities:
 - characterization of properties
 - identification of objects with different URI-s
 - disjointness or equivalence of classes
 - construct classes, not only name them
 - more complex classification schemes
 - can a program reason about some terms? E.g.:
 - “if «Person» resources «A» and «B» have the same «foaf:email» property, then «A» and «B» are identical”
 - etc.

Web Ontology Language = OWL

- ▶ OWL is an extra layer, a bit like RDF Schemas
 - own namespace, own terms
 - it relies on RDF Schemas
- ▶ It is a separate recommendation

OWL is complex...

- ▶ OWL is a large set of additional terms
- ▶ We will not cover the whole thing here...

Term equivalences

► For classes:

- owl:equivalentClass: two classes have the same individuals
- owl:disjointWith: no individuals in common

► For properties:

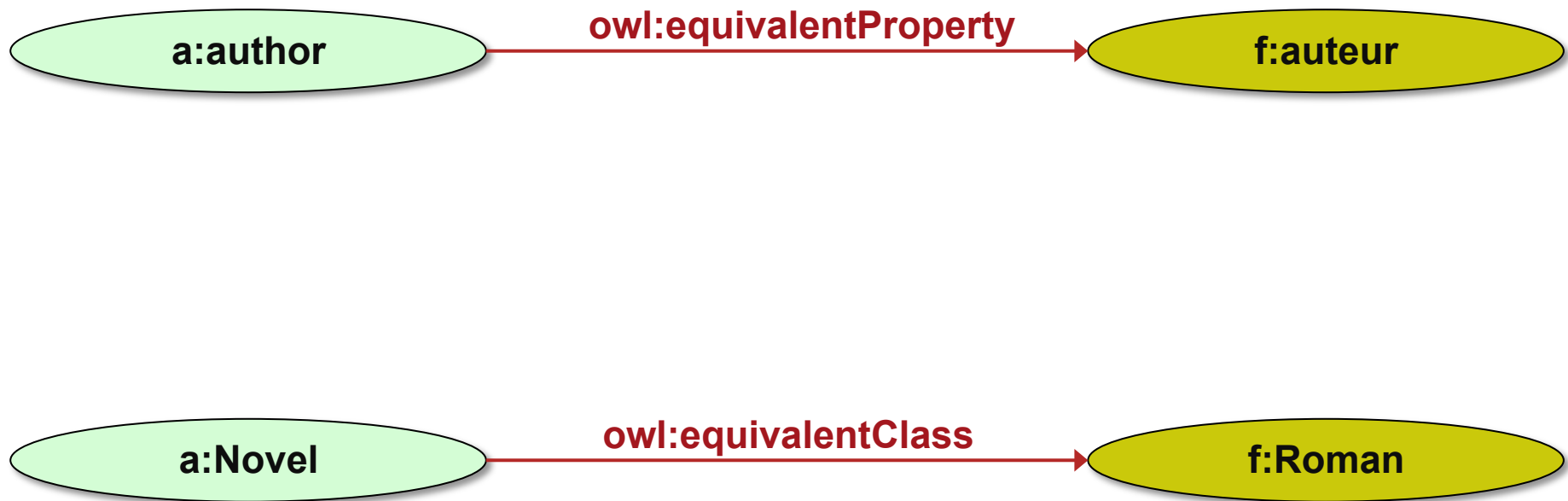
- owl:equivalentProperty
 - remember the a:author vs. f:auteur?
- owl:propertyDisjointWith

Term equivalences

► For individuals:

- owl:sameAs: two URIs refer to the same concept (“individual”)
- owl:differentFrom: negation of owl:sameAs

Connecting to French



Typical usage of owl:sameAs

- ▶ Linking our example of Kolkata from one data set (DBpedia) to the other (Geonames):

```
<http://dbpedia.org/resource/Kolkata>  
  owl:sameAs <http://sws.geonames.org/1275004>;
```

- ▶ This is a major mechanism of “Linking” in the Linked Open Data project

Property characterization

- ▶ In OWL, one can characterize the behavior of properties (symmetric, transitive, functional, inverse functional, reflexive, irreflexive, ...)
- ▶ OWL also separates data and object properties
 - “datatype property” means that its range are typed literals

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then, processed through OWL, the following holds, too:

```
<A> owl:sameAs <B>.
```

Classes in OWL

- ▶ In RDFS, you can subclass existing classes... that's all
- ▶ In OWL, you can construct classes from existing ones:
 - enumerate its content
 - through intersection, union, complement
 - etc.

Enumerate class content

```
:Currency  
  rdf:type owl:Class;  
  owl:oneOf (:€ :£ :$) .
```

- ▶ I.e., the class consists of exactly of those individuals and nothing else

Union of classes

```
:Novel          rdf:type owl:Class.  
:Short_Story    rdf:type owl:Class.  
:Poetry         rdf:type owl:Class.  
:Literature     rdf:type owl:Class;  
                owl:unionOf (:Novel :Short_Story :Poetry) .
```

- Other possibilities: complementOf, intersectionOf, ...

For example...

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```

then the following holds, too:

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It can be a bit more complicated...

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fr:Roman owl:equivalentClass :Novel .  
  
<myWork> rdf:type fr:Roman .
```

then, through the combination of different terms, the following still holds:

```
<myWork> rdf:type :Literature .
```


What we have so far...

- ▶ The OWL features listed so far are already fairly powerful
 - e.g., various databases can be linked via owl:sameAs, functional or inverse functional properties, etc.
- ▶ Many inferred relationship can be found using a traditional rule engine

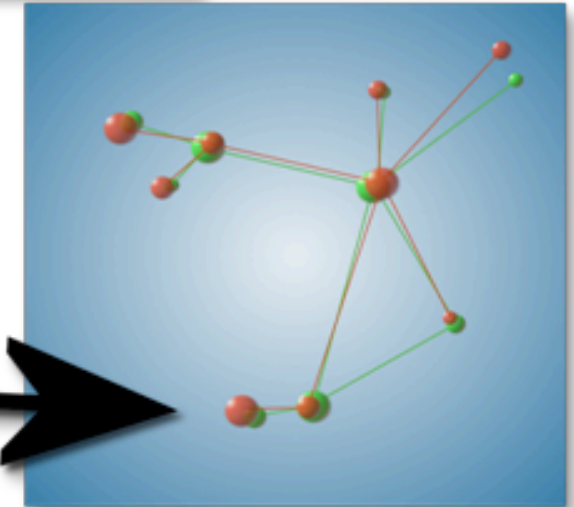
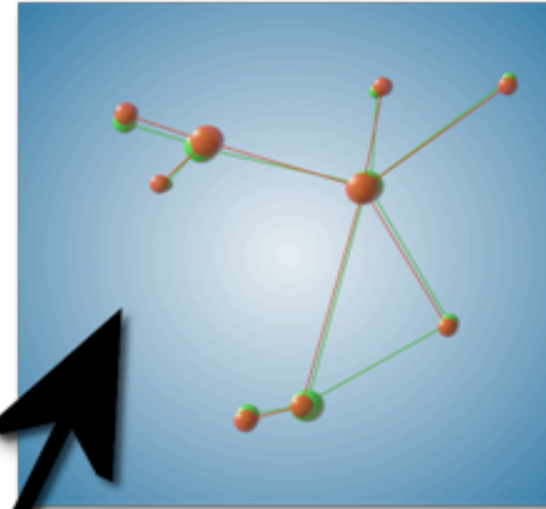
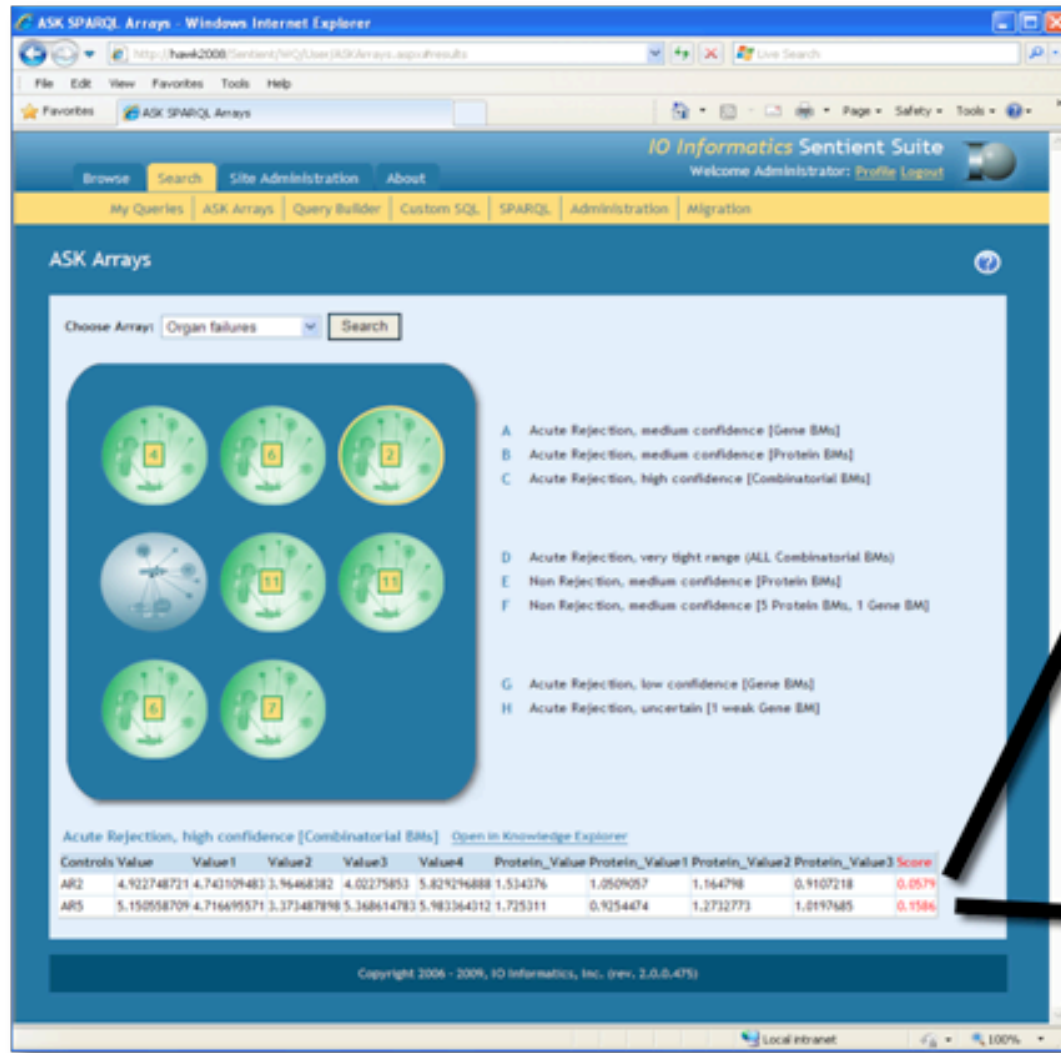
However... that may not be enough

- ▶ Very large vocabularies might require even more complex features
 - typical usage example: definition of all concepts in a health care environment
 - some major issues
 - the way classes (i.e., “concepts”) are defined
 - handling of datatypes
- ▶ OWL includes those extra features but... the inference engines become (much) more complex ☹️

Example: Organ Failure Risk Detection

- ▶ System by IO Informatics and UBC:
 - data integrated from experimental data, clinical endpoints, public ontologies, LOD, etc.
 - statistical analysis is performed on the data
 - SPARQL is used to query the results
 - a visual interface is provided
 - for clinicians, a simple web-based alerting of “hits” is provided with statistical scores

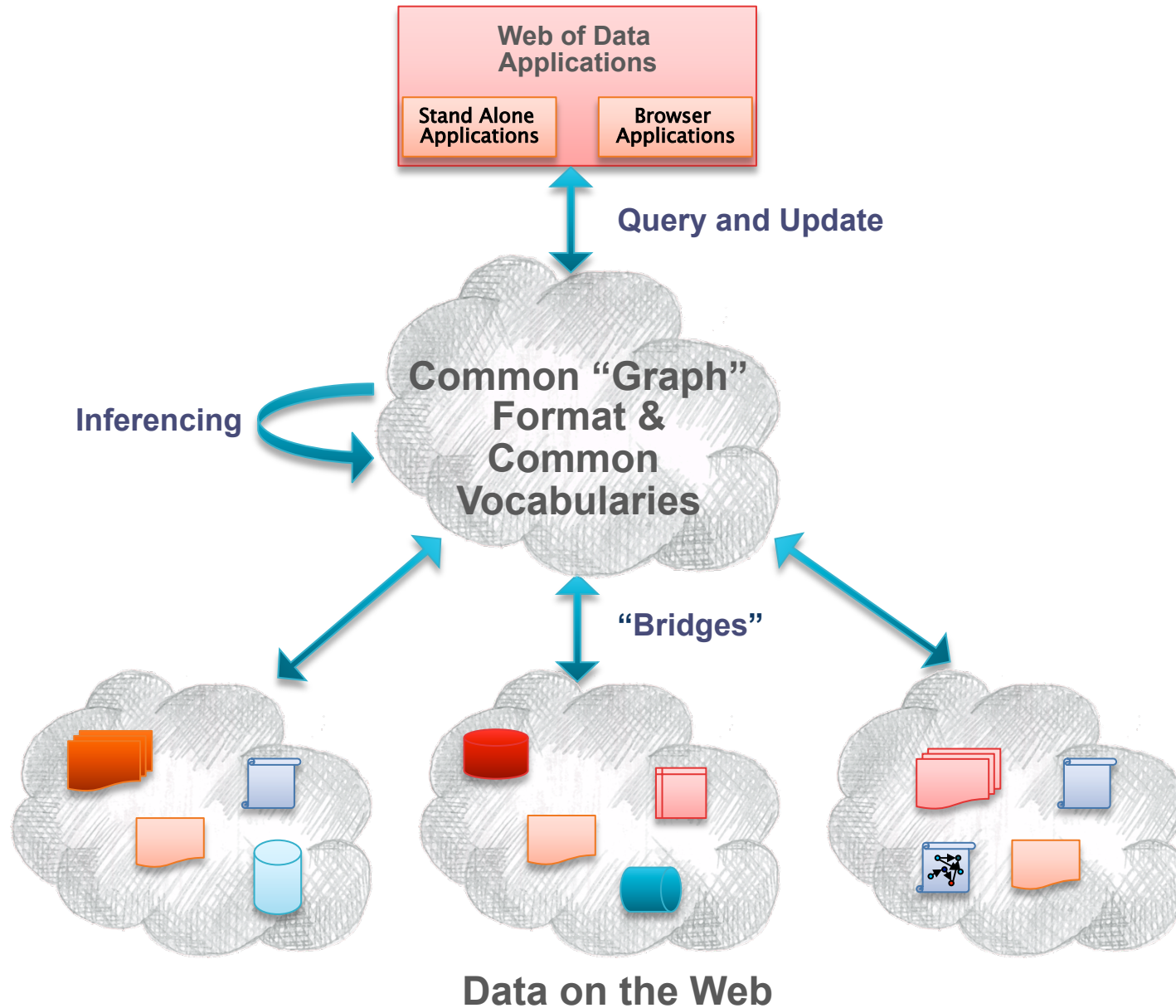
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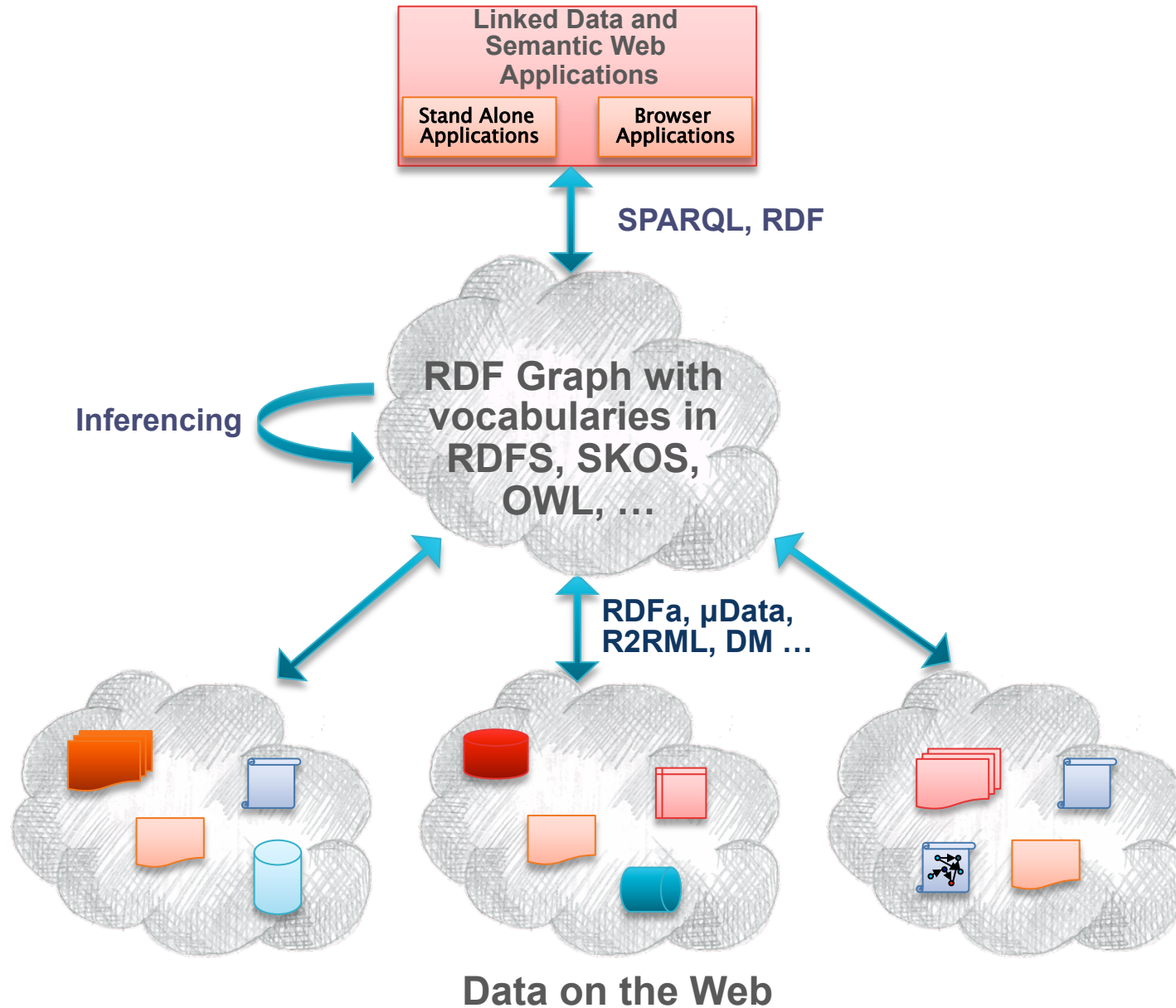


What have we achieved?
(putting all together)

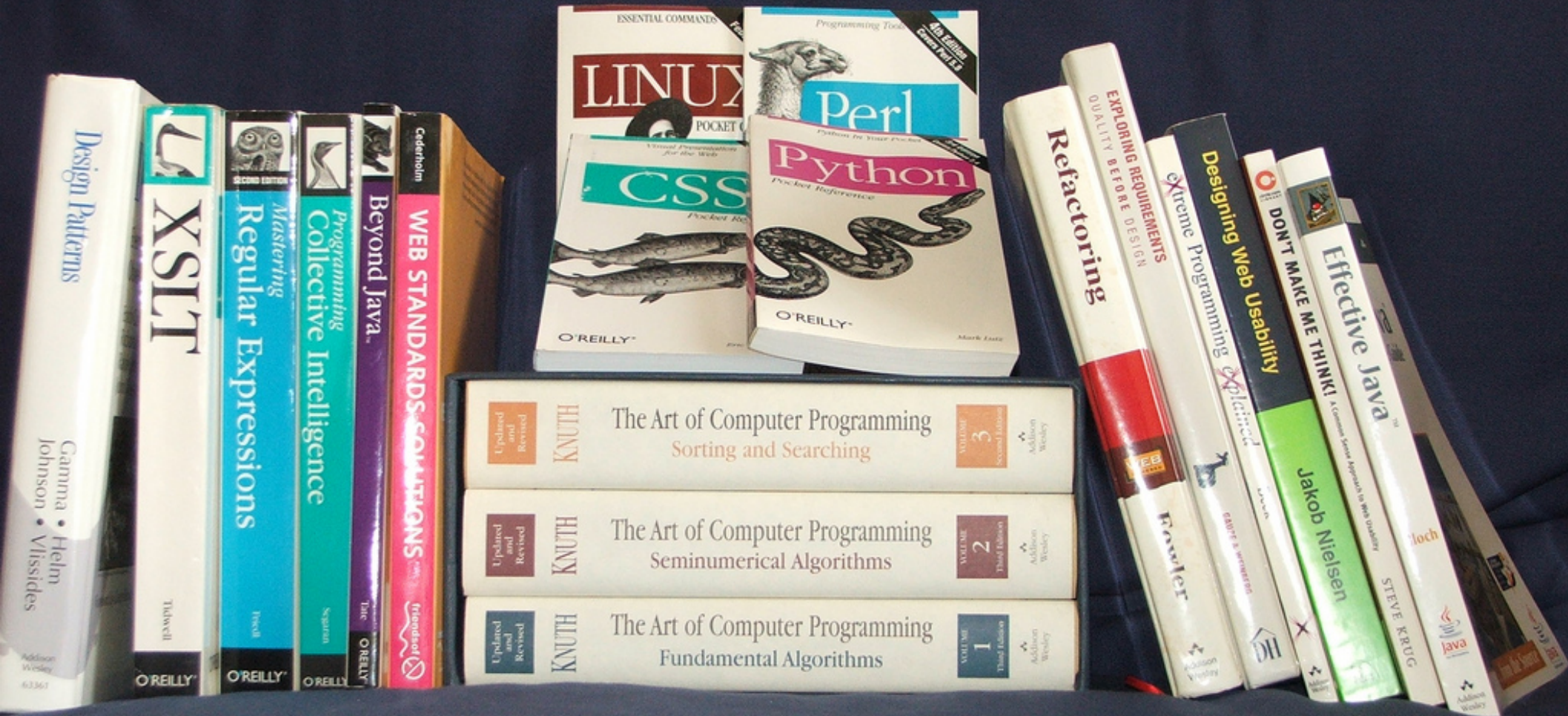
Remember the integration example?



The same with what we learned



Available documents, resources



Available specifications: Primers, Guides

- ▶ The “RDF Primer” and the “OWL Guide” give a formal introduction to RDF(S) and OWL
- ▶ SKOS has its separate “SKOS Primer”
- ▶ GRDDL Primer and RDFa Primer have been published
- ▶ The W3C [Semantic Web Activity Wiki](#) has links to all the specifications

“Core” vocabularies

- ▶ There are also a number “core vocabularies”
 - Dublin Core
 - FOAF: about people and their organizations
 - DOAP: on the descriptions of software projects
 - SIOC: Semantically-Interlinked Online Communities
 - vCard in RDF
 - ...

Some books

- ▶ D. Wood, M. Zaidman, and L. Ruth: *Linked Data*, 2013
- ▶ G. Antoniu, P. Groth, F. van Harmelen, and R. Hoekstra: *Semantic Web Primer*, 3rd edition, 2012
- ▶ T. Heath and C. Bizer: *Linked Data: Evolving the Web into a Global Data Space*, 2011
- ▶ D. Allemang and J. Hendler: *Semantic Web for the Working Ontologist* 2nd edition, 2011
- ▶ M. Watson: *Practical Semantic Web and Linked data Applications*, 2010
- ▶ P. Hitzler, R. Sebastian, and M. Krötzsch: *Foundation of Semantic Web Technologies*, 2009
- ▶ ...

See the separate [Wiki page collecting book references](#)

Further information

- ▶ Planet RDF aggregates a number of SW blogs:
 - <http://planetrdf.com/>
- ▶ Semantic Web Interest Group
 - a forum developers with a publicly archived mailing list, and a constant IRC presence on freenode.net#swig
 - anybody can sign up on the list
 - <http://www.w3.org/2001/sw/interest/>
- ▶ Linked Data mailing list
 - a forum concentrating on linked data with a public archive
 - anybody can sign up on the list
 - <http://lists.w3.org/Archives/Public/public-lod/>

Lots of Tools (not an exhaustive list!)

■ Some names:

- Jena, AllegroGraph, Mulgara, Sesame, flickurl, 4Store, ...
- TopBraid Suite, Virtuoso environment, Falcon, Drupal 7, Redland, Pellet, ...
- Disco, Oracle 11g, RacerPro, IODT, Ontobroker, OWLIM, Talis Platform, ...
- RDF Gateway, RDFLib, Open Anzo, DartGrid, Zitgist, Ontotext, Protégé, ...
- Thetus publisher, SemanticWorks, SWI-Prolog, RDFStore...
- ...

■ Categories:

- Triple Stores
- Inference engines
- Converters
- Search engines
- Middleware
- CMS
- Semantic Web browsers
- Development environments
- Semantic Wikis
- ...

More on <http://www.w3.org/2001/sw/wiki/Tools>

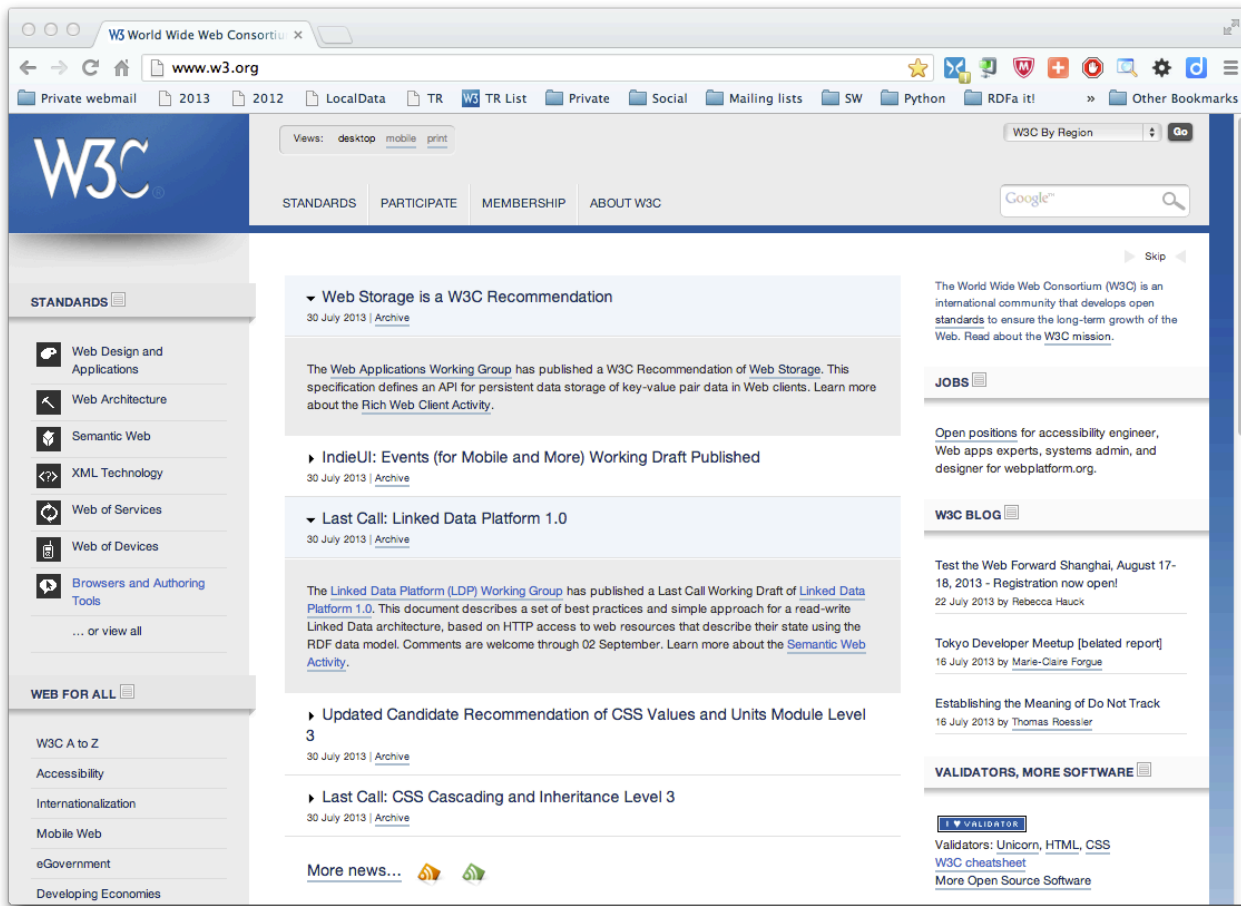
Conclusions



- ▶ Linked Data, the Semantic Web, and related technologies are there to integrate data on the Web
- ▶ The goal is the creation of a Web of Data

Lot remain to be done...

- ▶ Lots of issues to be solved
- ▶ But... W3C needs experts!
 - consider joining W3C, as well as the work done there!





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Thank you for your attention

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<http://www.w3.org/2013/Talks/0902-Lisbon-IH/>

