



Single Day Event

Multilingualism in Data Science: What's
Your Second Programming Language?



The Languages of Knowledge Graphs



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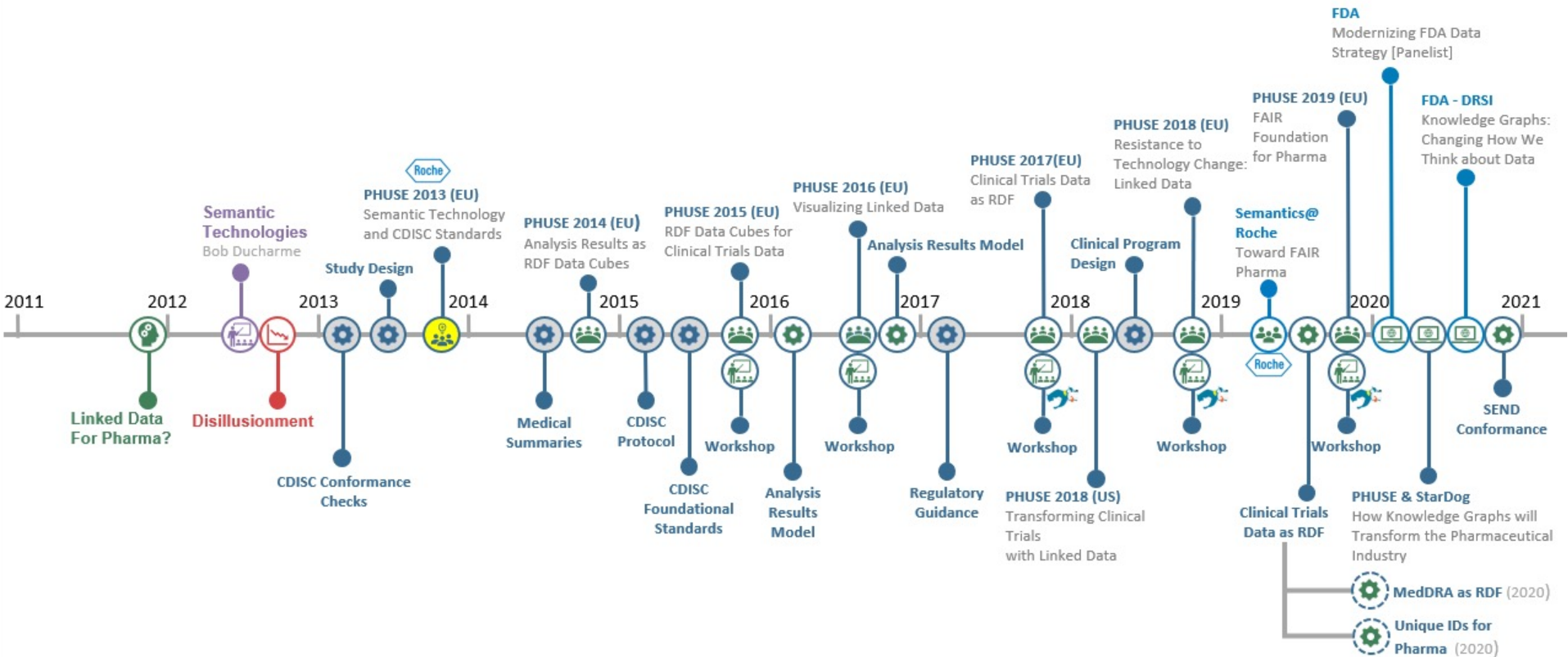


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My Knowledge Graph Timeline



Select Graph Concepts and Languages

General Concepts

- Linked Data
- Semantic Web
- ★ • Knowledge Graph
- Reasoner & Inference
- ★ • Nodes, Edges
 - URIs / IRIs
 - Graph Database
 - Triplestore
- ★ • F.A.I.R. Principles

Languages for Working with Graph Data

- | | |
|--------------|------------------|
| • Haskell | • Rust |
| • JavaScript | • Elixir |
| • Perl | • Erlang |
| • Python | • PHP |
| • Ruby | ★ • R |
| • SAS | • D |
| • Java | • Clojure |
| • C++ | ...and many more |
| • Scala | |
| • Go | |

Graph Types

- ★ • Resource Description Framework (RDF)
 - RDF-Star
- Property Graph

Query Languages

- ★ • SPARQL
 - SPARQL-Star
- Cypher
- ★ • GraphQL

Ontology and Schema

- ★ • Web Ontology Language (OWL)
- Resource Description Framework in Schema (RDFs)
- schema.org
- Ontologies for Life Sciences

Rules and Validation Languages

- SPARQL Inferencing Notation (SPIN)
- Semantic Web Rule Language (SWRL)
- Rule Interchange Format (RIF)
- Shape Expressions (ShEx)
- ★ • Shape Constraint Language (SHACL)

Mapping Languages

- RML
- R2RML
 - SMS

Miscellaneous

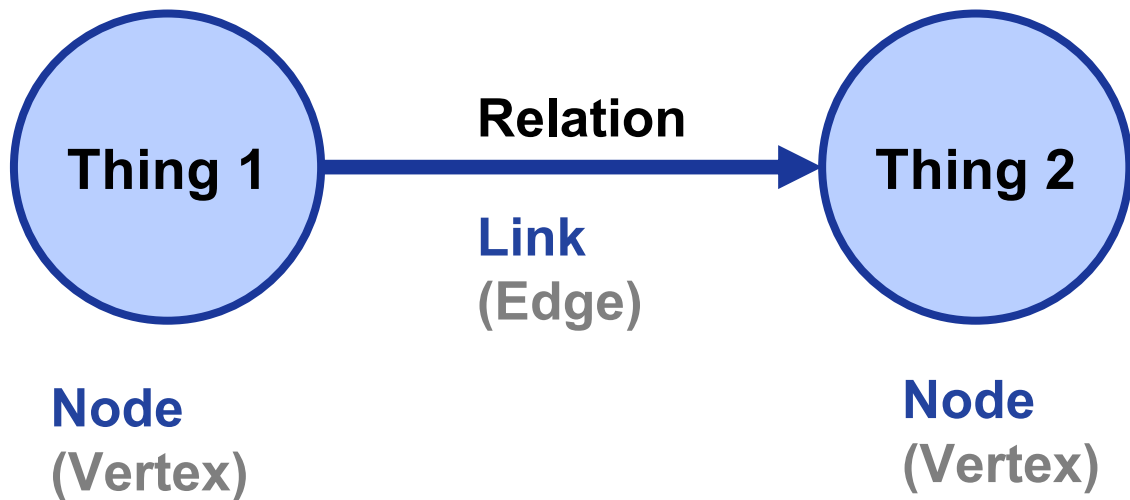
- LDFlex
- LDN (Linked Data Notifications)

RDF Syntax

- ★ • RDF/XML
- RDFa (attributes)
- ★ • Notation3 (N3)
 - N-Triples
- ★ • Turtle (TTL)

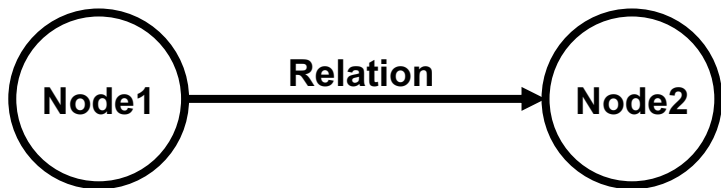


KG Foundation: Graph Data

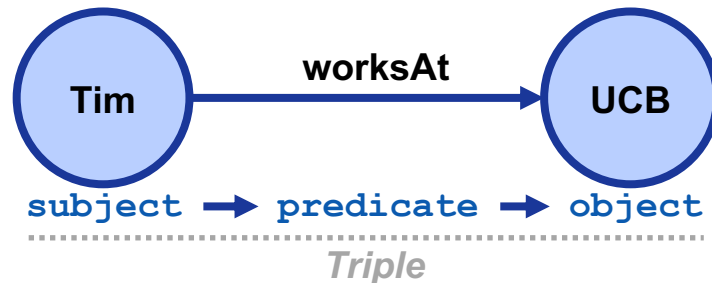


Two Main Types of Graphs

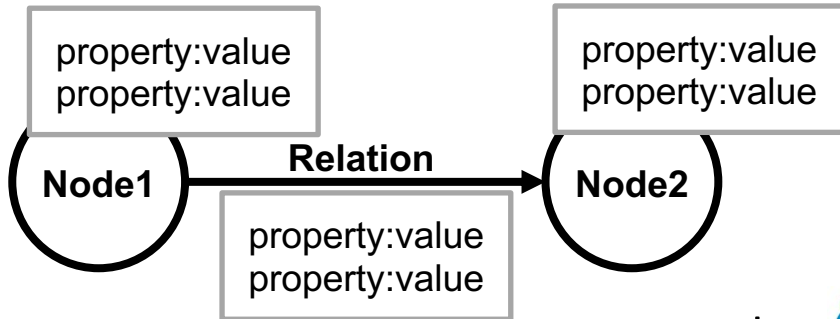
Resource Description Framework (RDF)



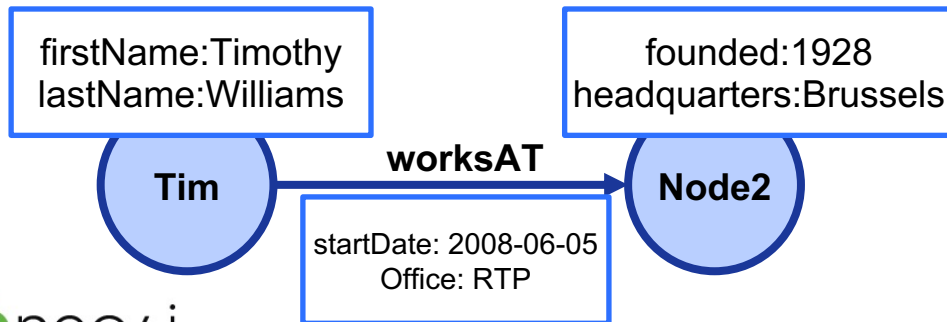
Example:



Labeled Property Graph (LPG)



Example:





Which Type of Graph is Best?

*~~We will not have
this fight today.~~*

*There will be some
“fighting words”
today.*

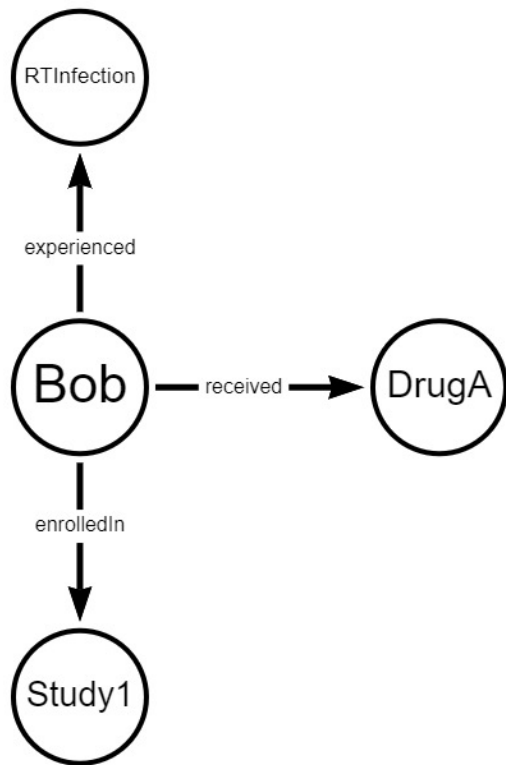


RDF bias in effect!





Whiteboard Language = Graph



<https://arrows.app/>

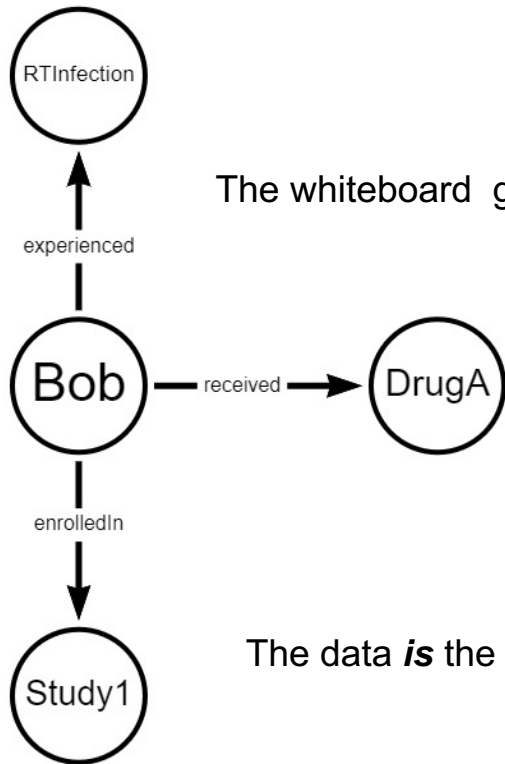
Whiteboard Language *is* the Data Language

The graph is the *data*,
The data is the *graph*.



Terse Triple Language (TTL)

***RDF** Graph data in abbreviated
Terse Triple Language (TTL)*



The whiteboard graph *is* the data

```
:Bob      :enrolledIn  :Study1 ;  
:received  :DrugA      ;  
:experienced :RTInfection. .
```

The data *is* the whiteboard graph



RDF/XML

TTL

```
:Bob :enrolledIn :Study1 ;  
      :received :DrugA ;  
      :experienced :RTInfection .
```

RDF/XML

- Lightweight
- Human readable
- Based on JSON format
- Ideal for web services, programming, unstructured databases

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8" ?>  
<rdf:RDF xmlns:rdf="http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#" xmlns:ns0="https://example.org/foo#">  
  
  <rdf:Description rdf:about="https://example.org/foo#Bob">  
    <ns0:enrolledIn rdf:resource="https://example.org/foo#Study1"/>  
    <ns0:received rdf:resource="https://example.org/foo#DrugA"/>  
    <ns0:experienced rdf:resource="https://example.org/foo#RTInfection"/>  
  </rdf:Description>  
</rdf:RDF>
```



JSON-LD

TTL

```
:Bob :enrolledIn :Study1 ;  
      :received :DrugA ;  
      :experienced :RTInfection .
```

<https://json-ld.org>

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JSON-LD

```
[ { "@id": ":Bob",  
    ":enrolledIn": [ { "@id": ":Study1" } ],  
    ":received": [ { "@id": ":DrugA" } ],  
    ":experienced": [ { "@id": ":RTInfection" } ]  
  }  
]
```



JSON-LD Languages

C#

- dotNetRDF
- json-ld.net

Erlang / Elixir

- jsonld-ex

Go

- JSON-goLD

Java

- Titanium
- JSONLD-JAVA

Javascript

- jsonld.js
- jsonld-streaming-parser.js
- jsonld-streaming-serializer.js
- rdf-parse.js

PHP

- php-json-ld
- JsonLD

Python

- PyLD
- RDFLib-jsonld

R

- jsonld

Ruby

- JSON-LD for RDF.rb

TypeScript

- jsonld-lint

Rust

- json-ld

RDFa in Web Page about DrugA

```
<a about="https://example.org/foo#DrugA"  
  property="https://example.org/foo#adverseReaction"  
  href="https://example.org/foo#RTInfection">RT Infections as DrugA AE's  
</a>
```

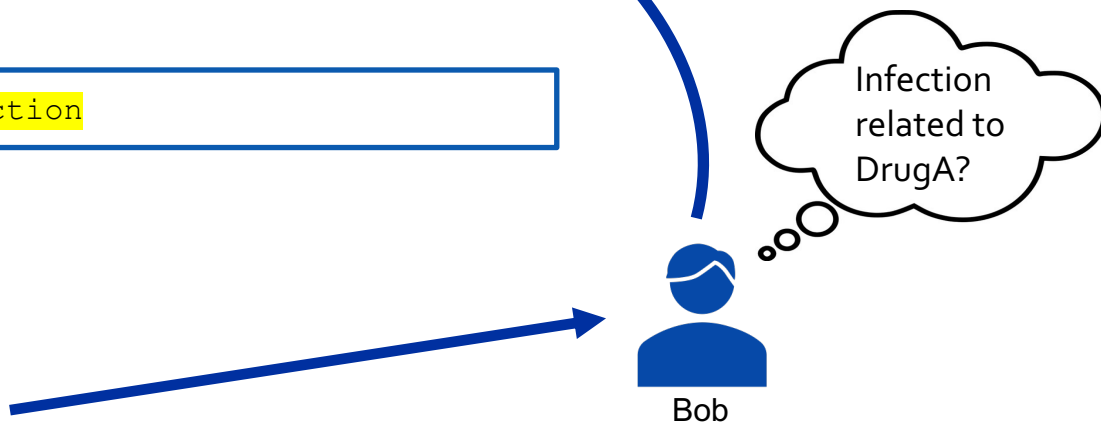
- Web page information consumable by the machine
- **Structured Data** added to web pages.

Extracted TTL

```
:DrugA :adverseReaction :RTInfection
```

Study TTL

```
:Bob :enrolledIn :Study1 ;  
      :received   :DrugA ;  
      :experienced :RTInfection .
```



Finding RDF in Web Pages

chrome web store

Home > Extensions > OpenLink Structured Data Sniffer

 **OpenLink Structured Data Sniffer**

Offered by: OpenLink Software

★★★★★ 14 | [Developer Tools](#) | 👤 6,000+ users

 YouTube



JSON-LD RDFa POSH

Statement Collection #1

Entity [#VideoObject](#)

Attributes

rdf:type	schema:VideoObject
schema:author	Patimir
schema:description	RDFLib is a pure Python package for working with RDF. The package include parsers and serializers for most of the RDF supported formats, graph interface for linked data manipulation as well as SPARQL 1.1 implementation for SPARQL 1.1 queries. This video represents an introduction for beginners who are interested in semantic web technologies and give a general sense of what is possible and how easy it is. Subscribe to the channel for more content, it is very much appreciated: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBejLBVt8U_XrPYpQ_3ewbA?sub_confirmation=Thank you very much!
schema:duration	PT513S
schema:embedUrl	https://www.youtube.com/embed/sCU214rbRZ0
schema:genre	Education
schema:interactionCount	6695
schema:name	Working with RDF in Python
schema:thumbnailUrl	
schema:uploadDate	2020-05-25(schema:Date)

OpenLink Structured Data Sniffer ver: 2.19.21

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Graph Query Languages

Query Languages

RDF

- SPARQL
- “Learning SPARQL”

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Labeled-Property Graph (LPG)

- GQL
 - ISO certification process underway (2021)
- Numerous Open or Proprietary languages

Neo4j	Cypher openCypher
TigerGraph	GSQL
Oracle	PGQL
Apache Tinkerpop	Gremlin
Linked Data Benchmark Council (LDBC)	G-CORE



SPARQL Query Language

Data

subject $\xrightarrow{\text{predicate}}$ object

:Bob **:enrolledIn** **:Study1** ;
 :received **:DrugA** ;
 :experienced **:RTInfection** .

Query

```
SELECT ?from ?relation ?to
WHERE {
    ?from ?relation ?to .
}
```

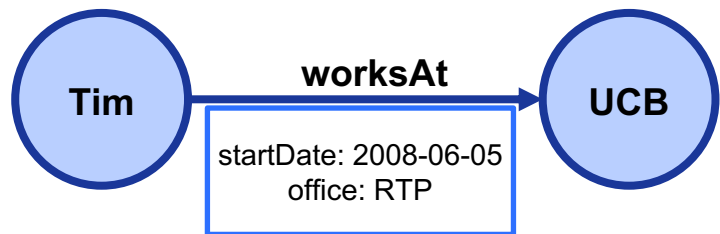
Query Result

from	relation	to
:Bob	:enrolledIn	:Study1
:Bob	:received	:DrugA
:Bob	:experienced	:RTInfection



RDF* (*RDF-Star) and SPARQL* (SPARQL-Star)

When you need to say something about triples



Data

```
<< :Tim :worskAt :UCB >>  
  :startDate "2008-06-05"^^xsd:date ;  
  :office    :RTP .
```

Query

```
SELECT ?name ?company  
?companyOffice ?startDate  
WHERE{  
  <<?name :worksAt ?company>>  
    :startDate ?startedOn ;  
    :office ?companyOffice .  
}
```

Query Result

name	company	companyOffice	startDate
:Tim	:UCB	:RTP	2008-06-05

Cautions

- New
- Is not a W3C Standard (as of 2021-09)
- Implementation details vary across platforms

Eg: Inference not yet supported on edge properties with Stardog. The query below will not work because `:hasPrevious` is an inferred predicate that cannot be used to obtain the second set of embedded triples in the query:

```
WHERE{  
  << :FileA :writesFile :FileB >> :hasPrevious+ ?prevStep .  
  <<?file1 ?action ?file2 >> :hasStep ?prevStep  
}
```

inferred predicate

fails



Graph Query Language Future

The future of query languages is tied to the future of Graph data.

- Likely a combination of concepts from RDF and LPGs.
- Example: Vaticle (<https://vaticle.com/>) using TypeDB/TypeQL



Graph Query Language Trends

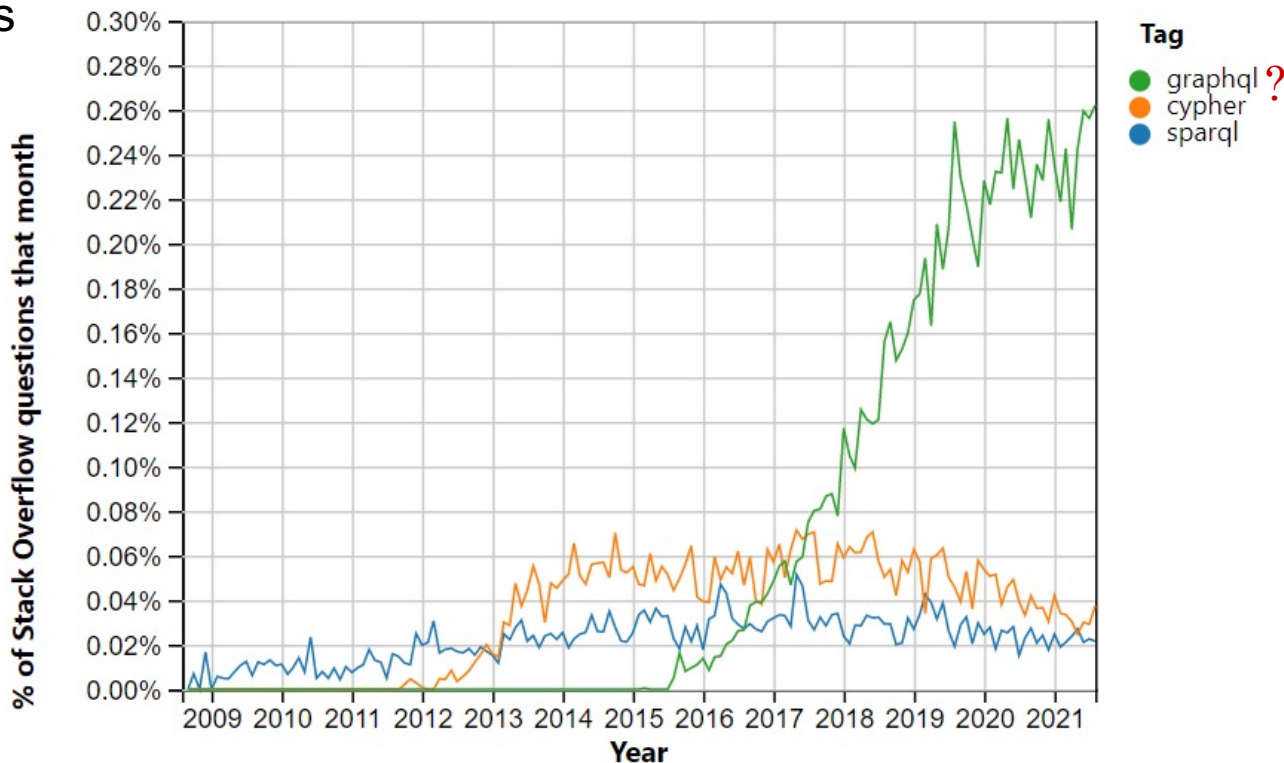
Stack Overflow Trends

Tags

sparql x

cypher x

graphql x





★ GraphQL

- “data query and manipulation language for APIs” - Wikipedia
- Great for Web APIs
- Not the best for “graph-type” queries.
- Example: Unable to retrieve all parents of a node.



Aaron Bradley

@aaranged

"I like SPARQL, but increasingly I have to admit a hard reality: there's a new kid on the block that I think may very well dethrone the language, and perhaps even RDF. ... I think that the king of the hill will likely end up being GraphQL." @kurt_cagle



Why GraphQL Will Rewrite the Semantic Web

I'm relatively old school, semantically speaking: my first encounters with RDF was in the early 2000s, not long after Tim Berners-Lee's now-famous article in ...

[🔗 linkedin.com](#)

Modeling Languages

Modeling Languages

RDF Shema

- Built-in using RDF primitives (S,P,O)
 - Semantic. Lives with the data
- RDF Schema Language (RDFs)
 - Classes and Subclasses
- Web Ontology Language (OWL)
- SHACL
- Tools:
 - Text Editor
 - Graphical Editor : Gra.fo = graphical editor by data.world
 - Structured View – **Protege**, Topbraid
 - Taxonomy focus - PoolParty

LPG Schema

- No widely accepted schema language^{*}
 - Work in progress by the Property Graph Schema Working Group community

^{*} Source: Sequeda and Lassiila, 2021



Ontology

What is an Ontology?

- **Dictionary** – terms and definitions
- **Taxonomy** – class hierarchy
- **Thesaurus** - relationships between terms
- Use a reasoner to ***infer values and relationships*** not in the original data
- **Rules and Restrictions** - Group membership, exclusions, types

Free e-book

[A Data Engineer's Guide to Semantic Modelling](#)

- Ilaria Maresi (June 2020)

<http://blog.thehyve.nl/news/ebook-semantic-model>



Ontologies for Life Sciences

BioPortal – Biomedical Ontologies

<https://bioontology.org/>

Open Biological and Biomedical Ontology (OBO Foundry)

<http://www.obofoundry.org/>

Beware the Ontology Design Quagmire

Follow a design philosophy

[Ontology Development 101](#) - Noy and McGuinness (2001)

Mapping Languages

From Relational to Graph

RDF

- R2RML
 - SMS (Stardog)
- Commercial
 - Gra.fo (data.world)
 - Metaphactory
 - Data Lens
- Open Source
 - - Karma <https://github.com/usc-isi-i2/Web-Karma>
 - - RML <https://github.com/RMLio/rmlmapper-java>
 - -and others
- “Roll your own”
 - - R, Python...

LPG

- No known mapping languages*
- “Roll your own”

* Source: Sequeda and Lassiila, 2021

Validation Languages

RDF

- RDFs
 - - classes , subclasses
- SPARQL
- OWL
 - - classes (RDFs), rules, domain, range...
- ★ • **SH**Apes **C**onstraint **L**anguage (SHACL)
- **S**hape **E**xpressions (ShEx)

LPG

- No non-proprietary validation language^{*}

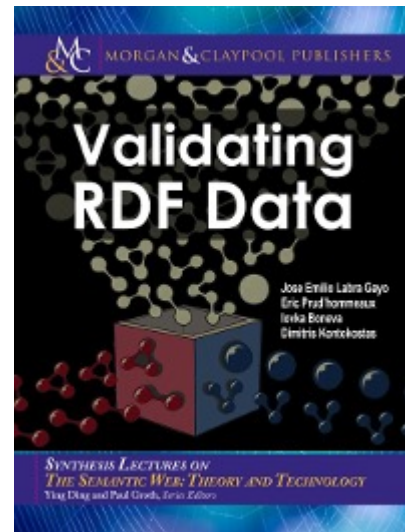
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Validating RDF Data (Book)

- *Free online or hardcopy*

<https://book.validatingrdf.com/>

- *ShEx and SHACL*
- *Good introduction to RDF*
 - *Not a good first book for RDF*



- Graph data is compared and validated against a graph pattern (shape)
- Shape = set of constraints the graph data must/should satisfy

Shapes can apply to

- **Nodes** (Subject, Object)
- **Relations** (Predicates)
 - property definitions/constraints





Languages for working with KG's

- Haskell
 - JavaScript
 - Perl
 - Python
 - Ruby
 - SAS
 - Java
 - C++
 - Scala
 - Go
 - Rust
 - Elixir
 - Erlang
 - PHP
 - ★ • R
 - D
 - Clojure
- ...and many more*



R For *Creating* RDF

Libraries

- rdflib
- redland
- jsonld
- digest # SHA1 hashing for IRI formation
- tools # md5sum hashing: IRI formation, file content changes



R For *Creating* RDF

1. Data to R dataframe
2. Data Massage
 - a. Create IRIs in data
 - b. Create RDF according to required model

Option 1: Traditional R Dataframe loop

```
srcDf <- patientData
for(i in 1:nrow(srcDf)){
  rdf_add(some_rdf,
    subject    = paste0(STUDY, "PATIENT_", srcDf[i,"patID_h"]),
    predicate = paste0(STUDY, "received"),
    object     = paste0(STUDY, srcDf[i,"drug"])
  )
}
```

Option 2: Tidyverse Approach

[“A tidyverse lover’s intro to RDF”](#) - Carl Boettiger

3. Write out to TTL file
4. Validate TTL file with SHACL
4. Upload to graph database



R For *Querying* RDF

Library

- SPARQL

Option 1: Statement in R Code

```
sparql <-  
'SELECT  ?patientID ?treatment  
  WHERE {  
    ?patient :hasTreatment ?treatment .  
  }'  
foo <- rdf_query(rdf, sparql)
```

Option 2: Source external .RQ file

```
foo <- rdf_query(rdf,  
                 read_file("C:/myKGProject/PatientTreatments.rq"))
```



R For *Analyzing* RDF

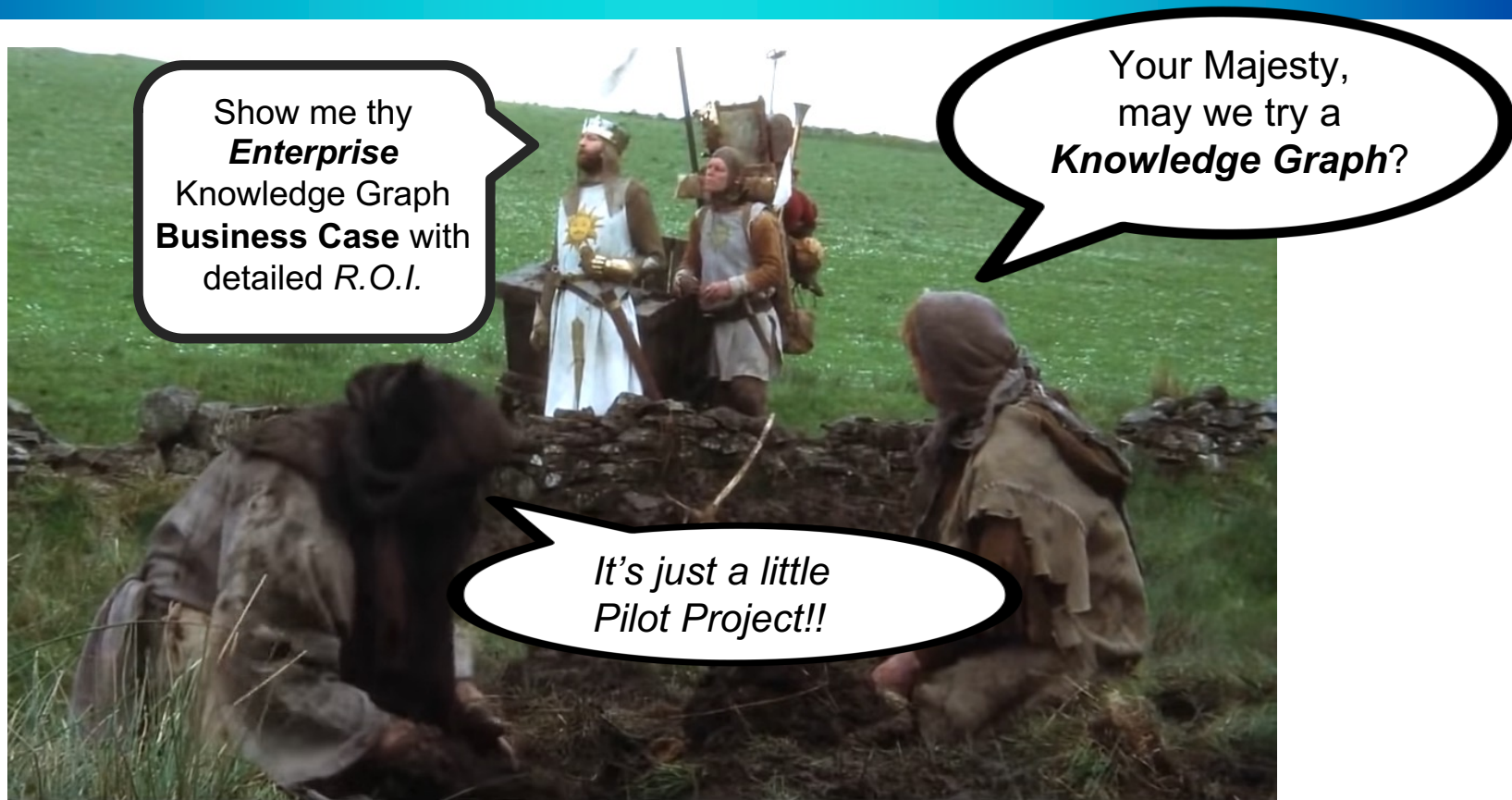
Similar to other data analysis workflows

1. Query result to R dataframe
2. Analysis like any other R Dataframe

“Analysis with benefits”

- *Values link to other values*
- *Semantic relationships*
- *Integral metadata*
- *Superior data quality*
 - *Unique identifiers (IRIs)*
 - *SHACL*

Communication (Human Language)



Learn Languages by Dogfooding



WIKIPEDIA
The Free Encyclopedia

Article **Talk**

Eating your own dog food

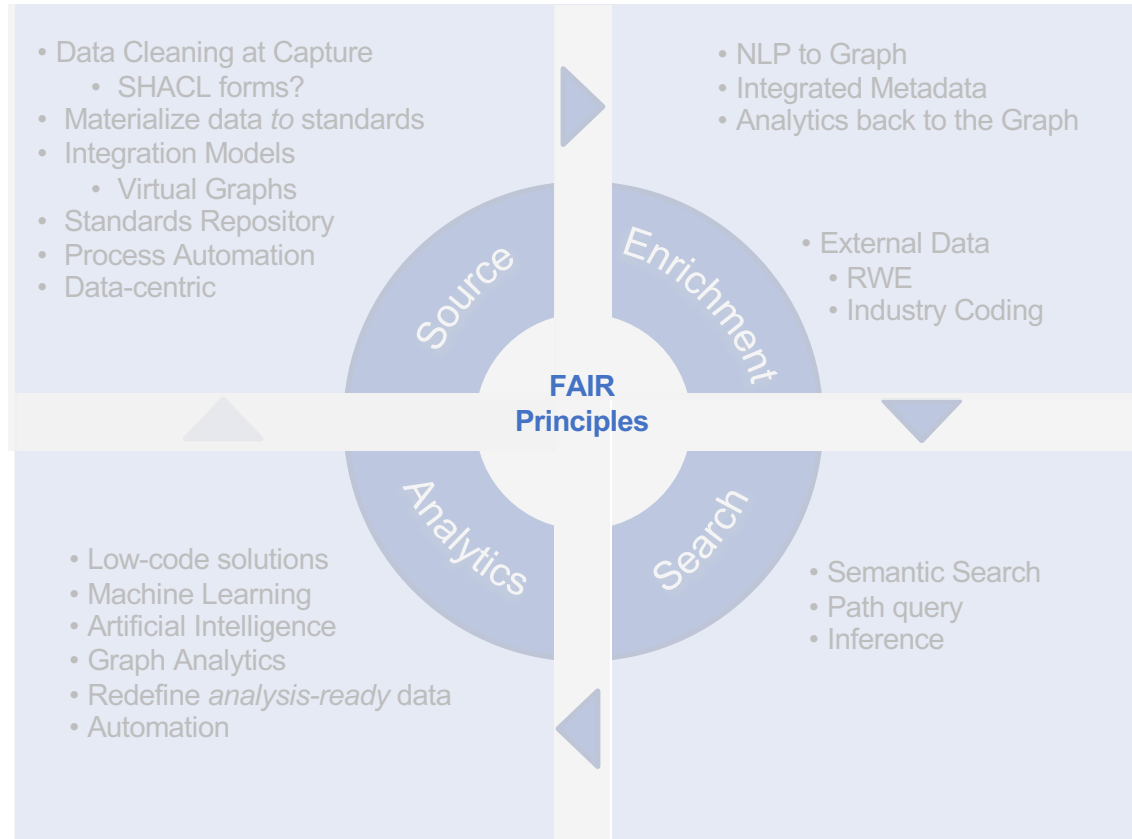
From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia
(Redirected from [Dogfooding](#))

Eating your own dog food or “**dogfooding**” is the practice of using one's own products or services.^[1] This can be a way for an organization to test its products in real-world usage using [product management](#) techniques. Hence dogfooding can act as [quality control](#), and eventually a kind of [testimonial advertising](#). Once in the market, dogfooding can demonstrate developers confidence in their own products.^{[2][3]}

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eating_your_own_dog_food

Coming Soon(?) : “A Gateway to Knowledge Graphs using R” – Tim Williams (to be published online)

The Language of F.A.I.R. Data



Adapted from:

<https://www.slideshare.net/AlanMorrison/datacentric-business-transformation-using-knowledge-graphs>

Thank you!



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