

Distributed RDF Data Management and SPARQL Query Processing

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RDF USE CASES & KNOWLEDGE GRAPHS (KG)

- ▶ Yago and DBpedia extract facts from Wikipedia & represent as RDF → structural queries
- ▶ Communities build RDF data → Knowledge Graphs
 - ▶ E.g., biologists: Bio2RDF and Uniprot RDF
 - ▶ Specialized LOD → e.g., Life Science LOD (LSLOD)
- ▶ Web data integration
 - ▶ Linked Open Data (LOD) Cloud – think as a federation of KGs

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>84B triples



2B triples



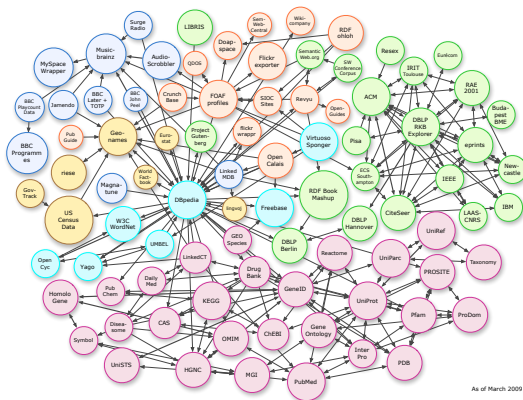
9.5B triples



1.1 billion statements

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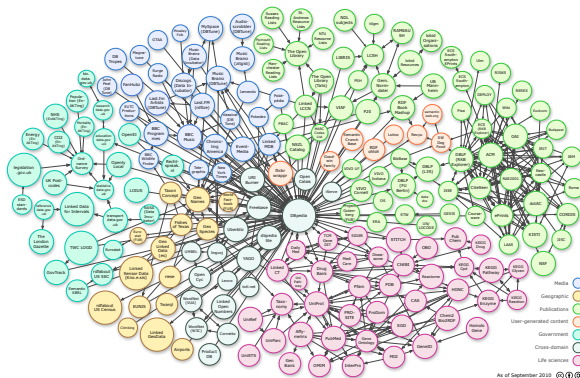
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March '09:
89 datasets

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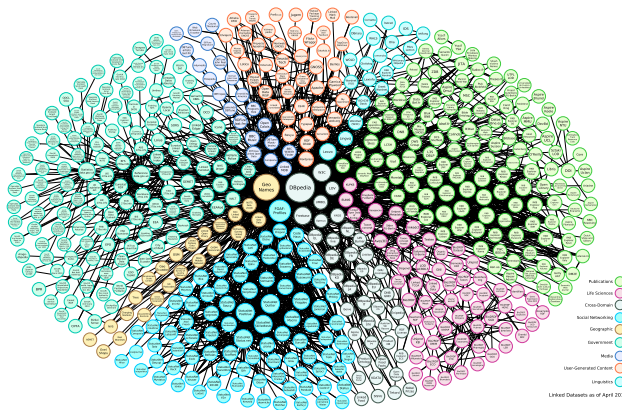
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September '10:
203 datasets

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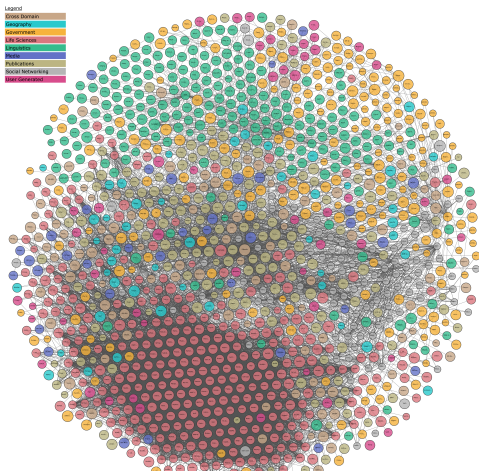
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April '14:
570 datasets

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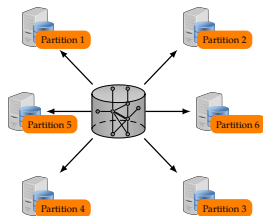
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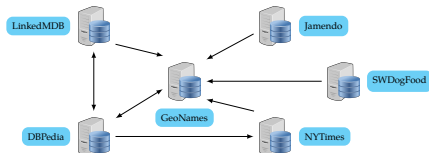
May '20:
1255 datasets

DATA MANAGEMENT ISSUES

- ▶ W3C defined **data model** and **query language** (SPARQL)
 - ▶ Declarative query processing
 - ▶ Obvious solutions not efficient
- ▶ Initial systems are single-machine (centralized)
- ▶ Growth is data set size → distributed solutions
- ▶ Growth of independent data sets → federated solutions



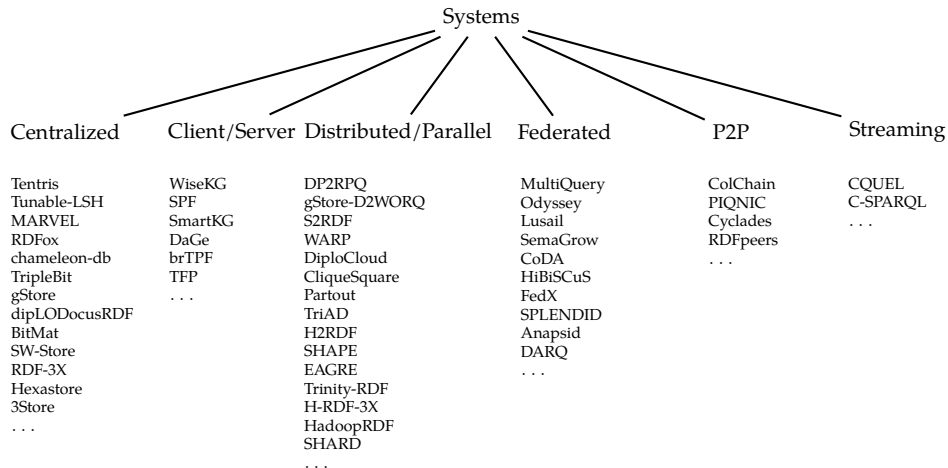
Scale-out



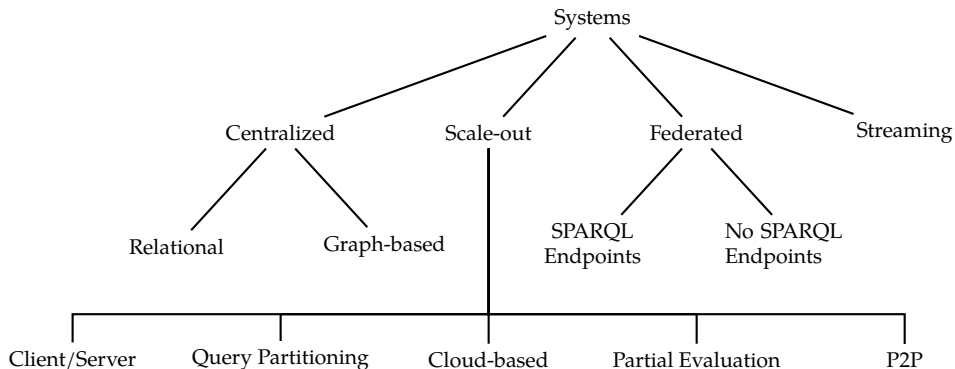
Federation

ALTERNATIVES

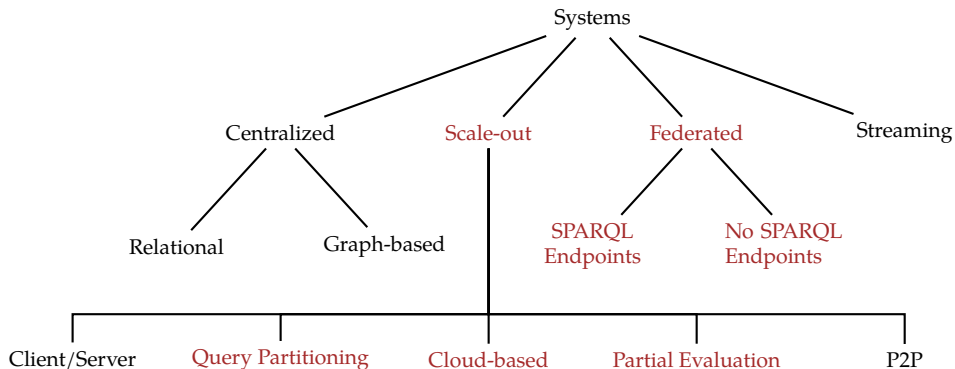
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- ▶ Resource descriptions can be contributed by different people/groups and can be located anywhere in the web
 - ▶ Integrated web “database”

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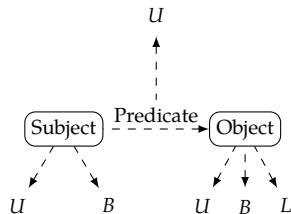
- ▶ Triple: Subject, Predicate (Property), Object
(s, p, o)

Subject: the entity that is described (URI or blank node)

Predicate: a feature of the entity (URI)

Object: value of the feature (URI, blank node or literal)

- ▶ $(s, p, o) \in (U \cup B) \times U \times (U \cup B \cup L)$
- ▶ Set of RDF triples is called an **RDF graph**



U : set of URIs

B : set of blank nodes

L : set of literals

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<code>http://...imdb.../film/2014</code>	<code>rdfs:label</code>	"The Shining"
<code>http://...imdb.../film/2014</code>	<code>movie:releaseDate</code>	"1980-05-23"
<code>http://...imdb.../29704</code>	<code>movie:actor_name</code>	"Jack Nicholson"
...	...	...

RDF EXAMPLE INSTANCE

Prefixes: mdb=http://data.linkedmdb.org/resource/; geo=http://sws.geonames.org/
 bm=http://wifo5-03.informatik.uni-mannheim.de/bookmashup/
 lexvo=http://lexvo.org/id/; wp=http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/

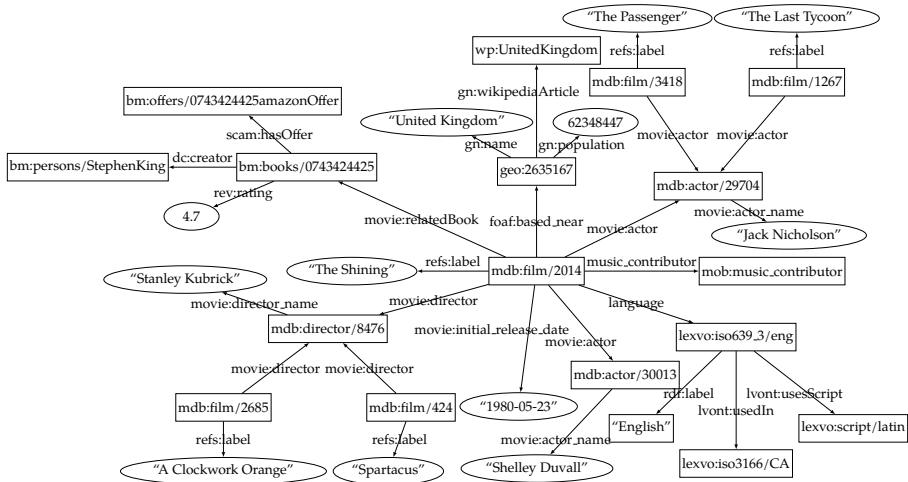
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geo:2635167	gn:wikipediaArticle	wp:United_Kingdom
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URI

Literal

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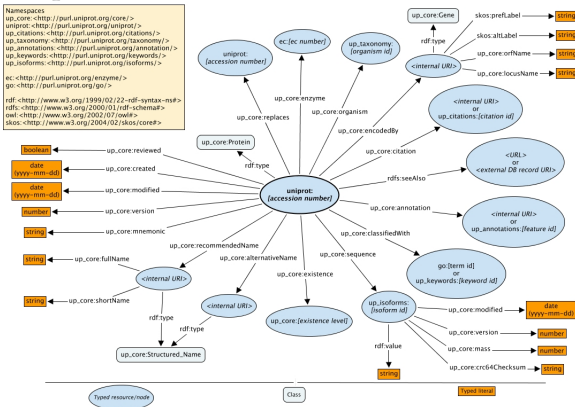
RDF GRAPH



UNIProt IN RDF

[HTTP://WWW.UNIPROT.ORG](http://www.uniprot.org)

- ▶ UniProt collects data from >150 biological resources
- ▶ Claim: “lack of a common standard to represent and link information makes data integration an expensive business” ⇒ RDF can help



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- ▶ This can be shown as a table <Subject, Predicate, Object >

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- ▶ Query Model - SPARQL Protocol and RDF Query Language
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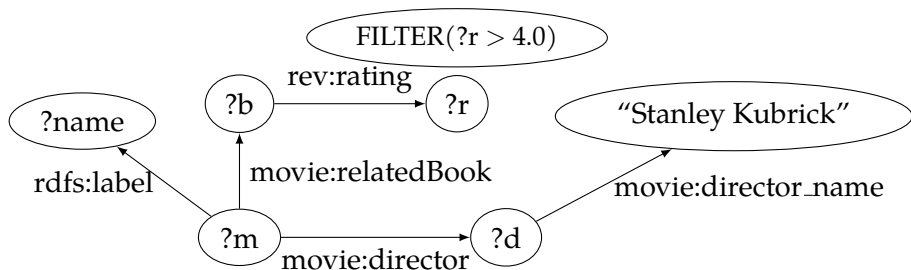
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- ▶ Example:

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- ▶ Get the GO function for Q16850 (from UniProt SPARQL endpoint)

```
PREFIX upc:<http://purl.uniprot.org/core/>
PREFIX rdf: <http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#>
SELECT ?goid ?golabel
WHERE {
  <http://purl.uniprot.org/uniprot/Q16850> a upc:Protein ;
  upc:classifiedWith ?keyword .
  ?keyword rdfs:seeAlso ?goid .
  ?goid rdfs:label ?golabel .
}
```

- ▶ Find the differential expression of probes and the p value that map to Q16850 (from Expression Atlas SPARQL endpoint)

```
PREFIX rdfs: <http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#>
PREFIX atlasterms: <http://rdf.ebi.ac.uk/terms/atlas/>
SELECT distinct ?valueLabel ?pvalue
WHERE {
  ?value rdfs:label ?valueLabel .
  ?value atlasterms:pValue ?pvalue .
  ?value atlasterms:isMeasurementOf ?probe .
  ?probe atlasterms:dbXref <http://purl.uniprot.org/uniprot/Q16850> .
}
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?m	rdfs:label	?name
...	...	...
...	...	...

?m	movie:director	?d
...	...	...
...	...	...

?d	movie:director_name	"Stanley Kubrick"
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?m	movie:actor	?c
...	...	...
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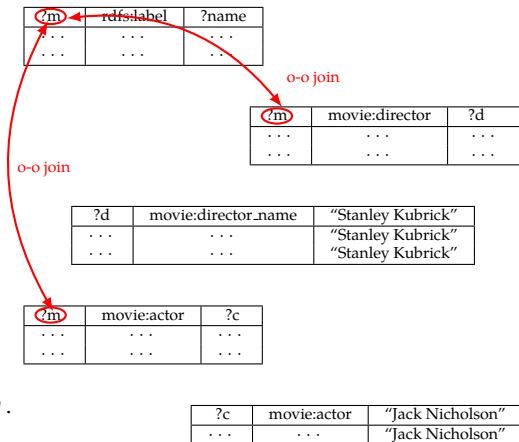
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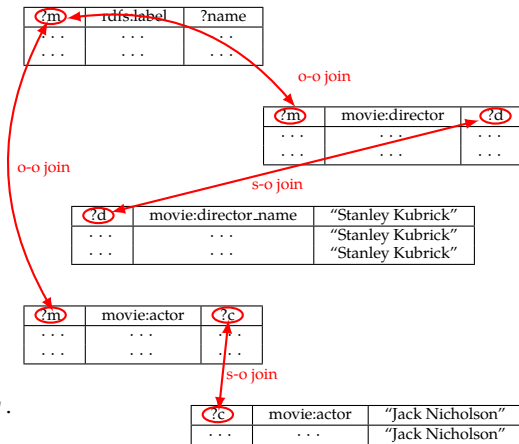
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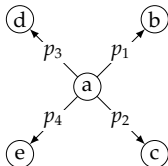
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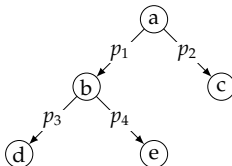


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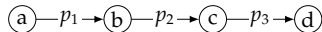
Star query



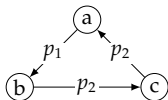
Tree query



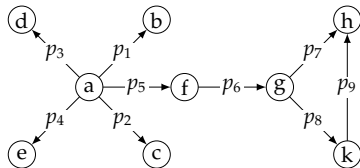
Chain (linear) query



Cycle query



Complex query



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```
SELECT T1.object
FROM T as T1, T as T2, T as T3,
      T as T4, T as T5
WHERE T1.p="rdfs:label"
AND T2.p="movie:relatedBook"
AND T3.p="movie:director"
AND T4.p="rev:rating"
AND T5.p="movie:director_name"
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AND T2.o=T4.s
AND T3.o=T5.s
AND T4.o > 4.0
AND T5.o="Stanley Kubrick"
```

DIRECT RELATIONAL MAPPING

```
SELECT ?name
```

```
WHERE {
```

```
  ?m rdfs:label ?name. ?m movie:director
```

```
  ?d movie:director_name "Stanley Kubrick"
```

```
  ?m movie:relatedBook ?b. ?b rev:rating
```

```
  FILTER(?r > 4.0)
```

```
}
```

Subject	Property	Object
mdb:film/2014	rdfs:label	"The Shining"
mdb:film/2014	movie:initial_release_date	"1980-05-23"
mdb:film/2014	movie:director	mdb:director/8476
mdb:film/2014	movie:actor	mdb:actor/29704
mdb:film/2014	movie:actor	mdb:actor/30013
mdb:film/2014	movie:music_contributor	mdb:music_contributor/4110
mdb:film/2014	foaf:based_near	geo:2635167
mdb:film/2014	movie:relatedBook	bm:0743424425
mdb:film/2014	movie:language	lexvo:iso639-3/eng
mdb:director/8476	movie:director_name	"Stanley Kubrick"
mdb:film/2685	movie:director	mdb:director/8476
mdb:film/2685	rdfs:label	"A Clockwork Orange"
mdb:film/424	movie:director	mdb:director/8476
mdb:film/424	rdfs:label	"Spartacus"
mdb:actor/29704	movie:actor_name	"Jack Nicholson"
mdb:film/1267	movie:actor	mdb:actor/29704
mdb:film/1267	rdfs:label	"The Last Tycoon"
mdb:film/3418	movie:actor	mdb:actor/29704
mdb:film/3418	rdfs:label	"The Passenger"
geo:2635167	gn:name	"United Kingdom"
geo:2635167	gn:population	62348447
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lexvo:iso639-3/eng	lvont:usedIn	lexvo:iso3166/CA
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Easy to implement
but
too many self-joins!

```
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DIRECT RELATIONAL MAPPING

Bad Idea!...

OPTIMIZATIONS TO TABULAR REPRESENTATION

1. Property table (Jena [Wilkinson, 2006], DB2-RDF [Bornea et al., 2013])

- ▶ Group together the properties that tend to occur in the same (or similar) subjects
- ▶ Eliminates some of the joins
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- ▶ Potentially a lot of NULLs
- ▶ Multivalued properties are complicated

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mdb:film/2685	rdfs:label	"A Clockwork Orange"
mdb:actor/29704	movie:actor_name	"Jack Nicholson"
...	...	...



Subject	refs:label	movie:director
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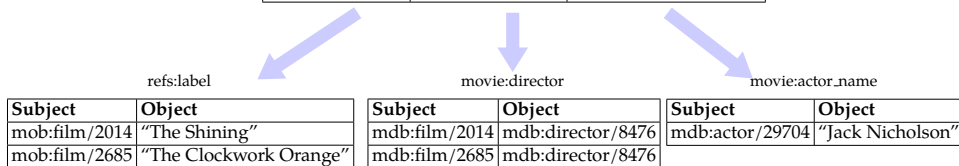


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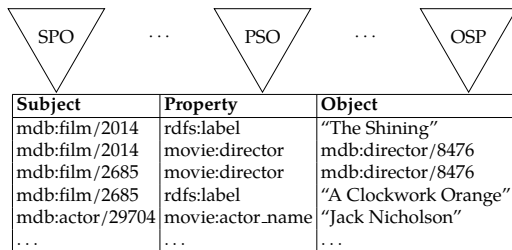
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 - ▶ Grouping by properties
 - ▶ Good for subject-subject joins but not with subject-object joins

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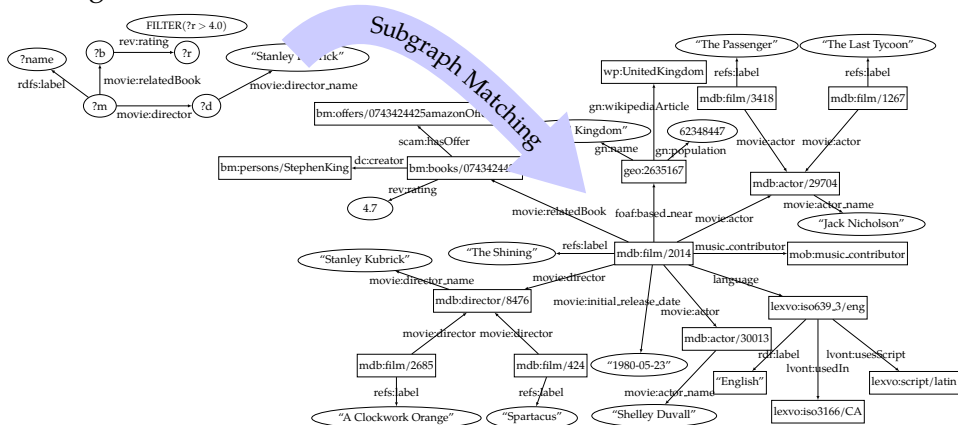
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 - ▶ Create indexes for each permutation of the three columns: SPO, SOP, PSO, POS, OPS, OSP
 - ▶ Query components become range queries over individual relations with merge-join to combine
 - ▶ Index maintenance



GRAPH-BASED APPROACH

[Zou & Özsu, 2017]

- ▶ Answering SPARQL query $\equiv$ subgraph matching using homomorphism
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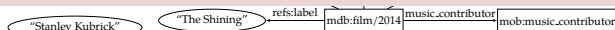
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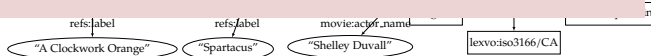
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Disadvantages

- ▶ Graph pattern matching is expensive



OVERVIEW

RDF Introduction

Centralized Systems – Overview

Scale-out Systems

- Graph Partitioning

- Query Partitioning Approaches

- Partial Evaluation Approach

- Cloud-based Approaches

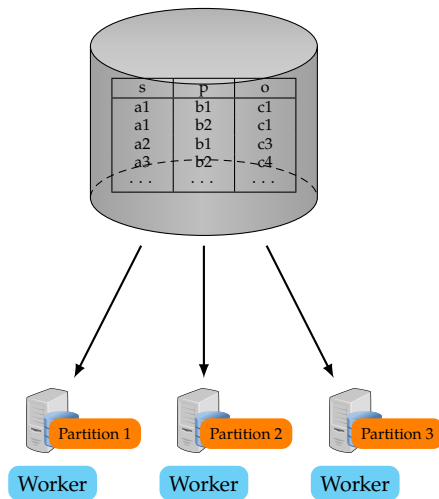
Federated Systems

Conclusions

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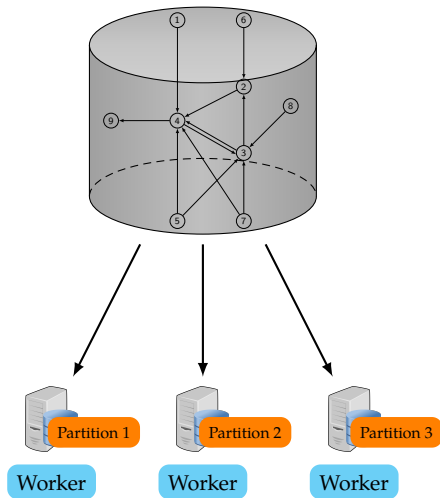
Parallelize query processing with as little inter-site communication as possible.

- ▶ Straightforward approach
 - ▶ Randomly (or by simple hashing) horizontally partition the triples
 - ▶ Execute queries in parallel across partitions
 - ▶ Examples: SHARD [Rohloff & Schantz, 2010], YARS2 [Harth et al., 2007], Virtuoso
- ▶ Problem: high intermediate results → high number of inter-partition joins
- ▶ More intelligent partitioning that takes into account graph connectivity



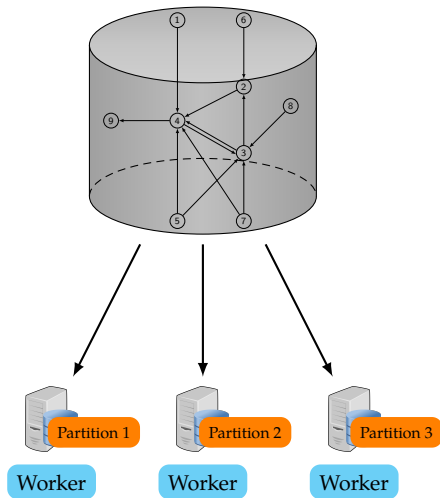
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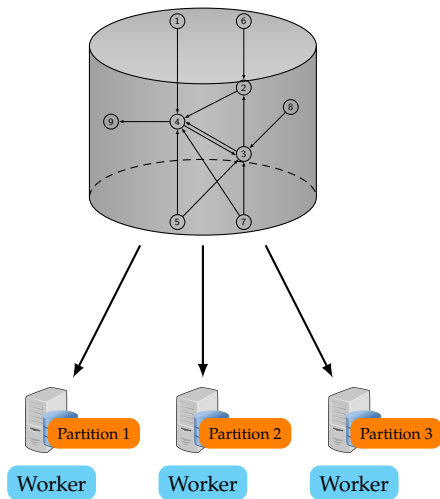
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- ▶ Objectives
 - ▶ Allocate each vertex/edge to partitions such that partitions are mutually exclusive
 - ▶ Partitions are balanced
 - ▶ Minimize edge-/vertex-cuts to minimize communication
- ▶ Techniques are mostly workload-agnostic



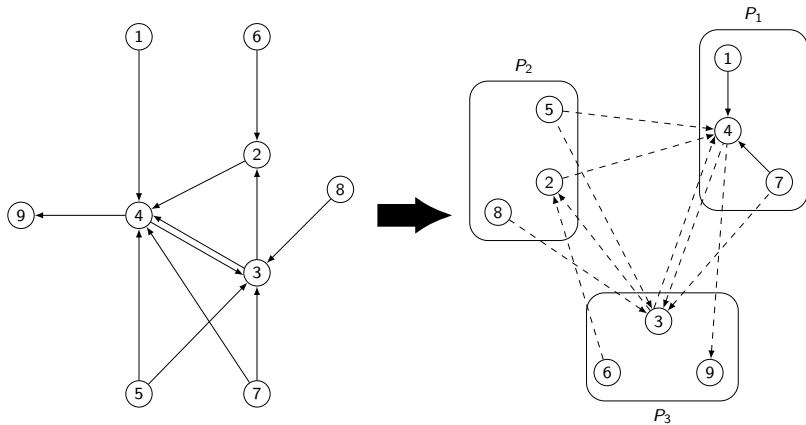
VERTEX-DISJOINT PARTITIONING

- ▶ Put each vertex in one partition
- ▶ Edges will be cut – minimize these → causes communication
- ▶ Alternatives
 - ▶ Hashing → on the ids of the two vertices incident on edge
 - ▶ METIS family of algorithms
 - ▶ Considered the gold standard

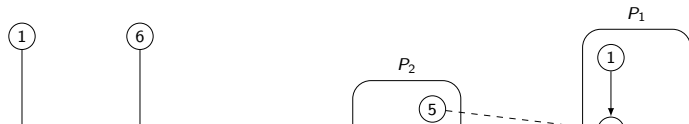
Given an initial graph $G_0 = (V, E)$:

1. Produce a hierarchy of successively coarsened graphs $G_1, \dots, G_n$ such that $|V(G_i)| > |V(G_j)|$ for $i < j$
2. Partition G_n using some partitioning algorithm
3. Iteratively coarsen G_n to G_0 , and at each step
 - a) Project the partitioning solution on graph G_j to graph G_{j-1}
 - b) Improve the partitioning of G_0

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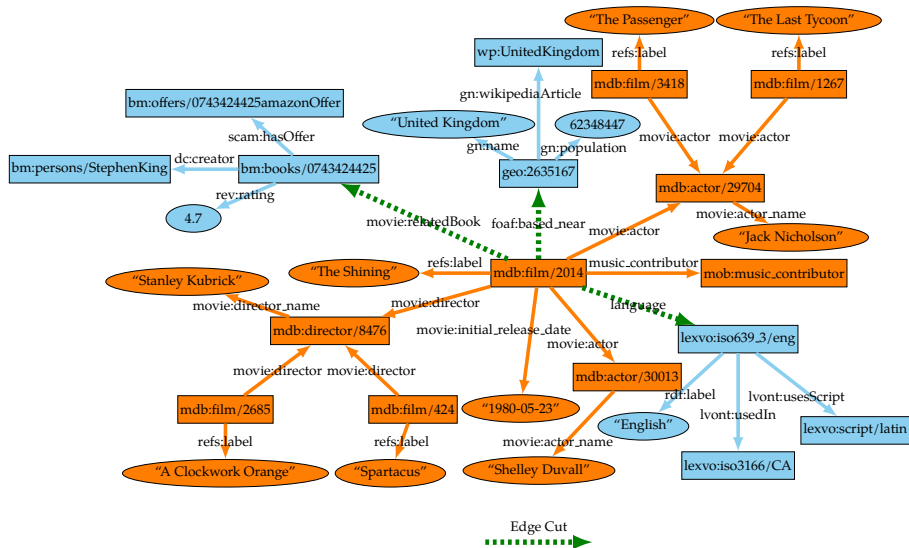


- + Performs well for graphs with low-degree vertices
- Performs poorly on power-law graphs causing many edge-cuts
- METIS has computation overhead & cannot scale to large graphs → hashing on vertex labels



In RDF systems, minimize predicate-cuts rather than edge-cuts

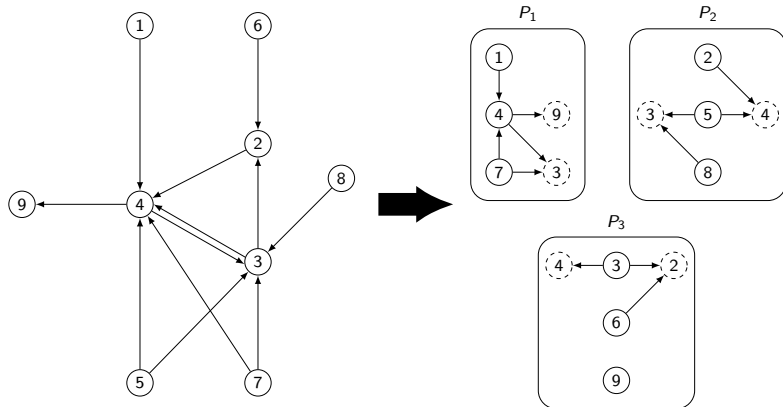
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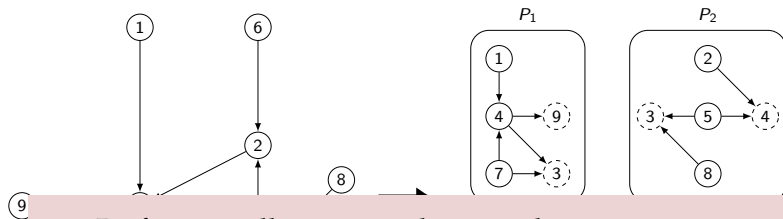
EDGE-DISJOINT PARTITIONING

- ▶ Put each edge in one partition
- ▶ Vertices may need to be replicated – minimize these
- ▶ Alternatives
 - ▶ Hashing → on the ids of the two vertices incident on edge
 - ▶ Heuristics cognizant of graph characteristics → greedily decide on allocation of edge $i + 1$ based on the allocation of the previous i edges to reduce vertex replication

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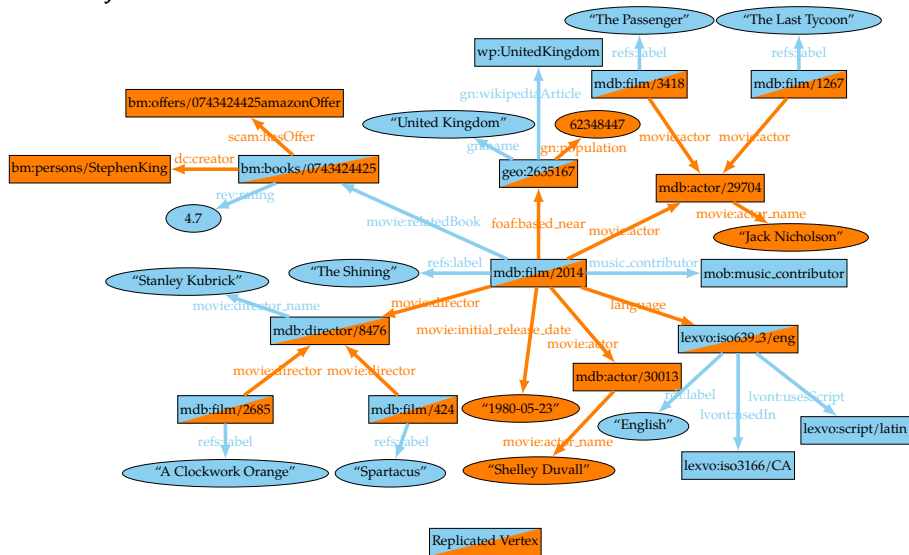


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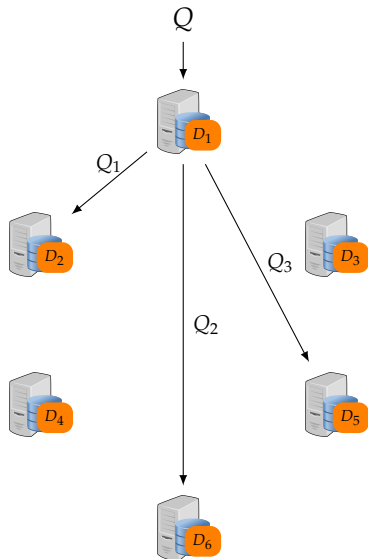
- + Performs well on power-law graphs
- + Fast and highly parallelizable
- Not good for star queries
- Potentially high vertex replication

EDGE-DISJOINT PARTITIONING OF OUR EXAMPLE



QUERY PARTITIONING APPROACHES

- ▶ Works on partitioned RDF data
 $D = \{D_1, \dots, D_n\}$
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- ▶ Distributed execution of $\{Q_1, \dots, Q_k\}$ over $\{D_1, \dots, D_n\}$
- ▶ Examples: GraphPartition [Huang et al., 2011], WARP [Hose & Schenkel, 2013], Partout [Galarraga et al., 2014], Vertex-block [Lee & Liu, 2013]

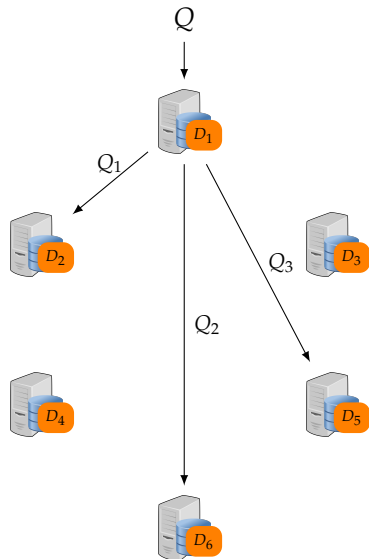


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Main Idea

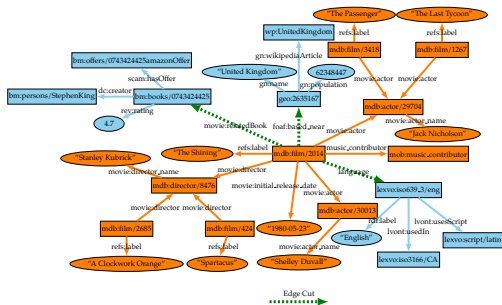
Partition the data and the query in such a way that the interpartition joins are minimized



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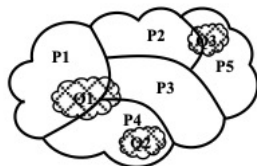
► GraphPartition [Huang et al., 2011]

- ▶ Data is partitioned using METIS
- ▶ Replicate vertices using n -hop guarantee
- ▶ If the radius of Q is not larger than n , Q can be locally evaluated in each site
- ▶ If the radius of Q is larger than n , Q is decomposed into several subqueries Q_i that can be independently evaluated; then their results are joined

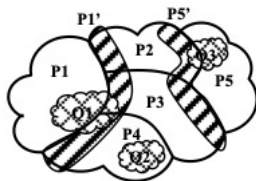


TWO EXAMPLES

- ▶ GraphPartition [Huang et al., 2011]
- ▶ Vertex-block [Lee & Liu, 2013]
 - ▶ Generate triple groups based on common subject or object
 - ▶ Semantic hashing triple groups
 - ▶ Allow some data replication between different partitions



Baseline Partitions

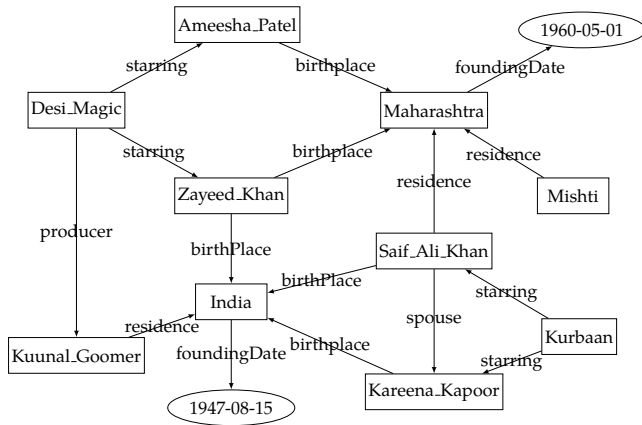


Expanded Partitions

What is the main point?

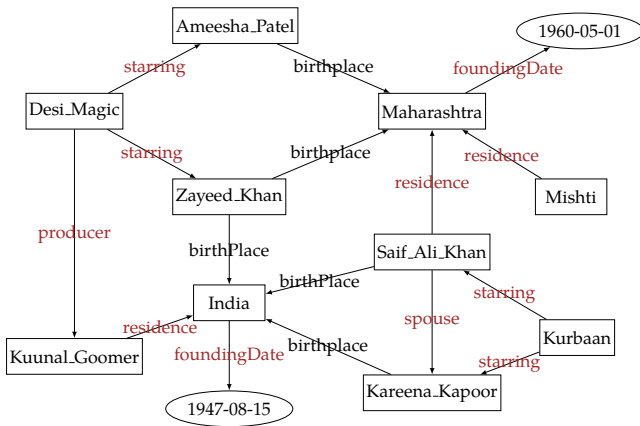
- ▶ Vertex-disjoint partitioning objective is to minimize edge-cuts
- ▶ The main performance bottleneck in distributed SPARQL execution is inter-partition joins
 - ▶ If all predicates in a query are *internal* → execute independently over each partition without inter-partition join
- ▶ **Motivation:** Partition to maximize the number of *internal properties*
 - ▶ May increase edge-cuts, but minimizes number of unique predicate-cuts

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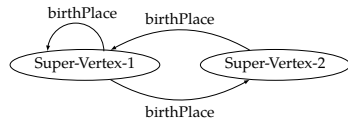
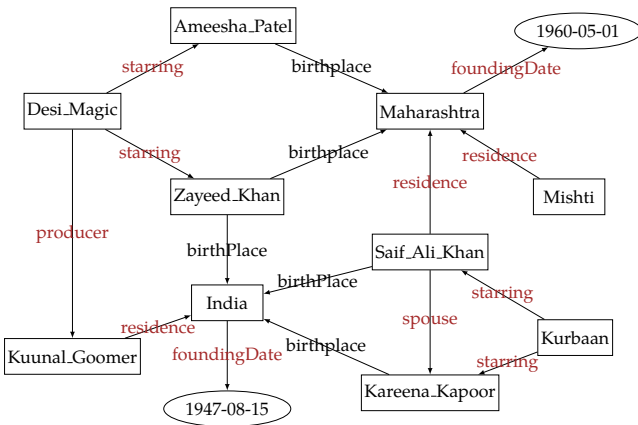
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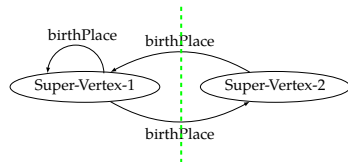
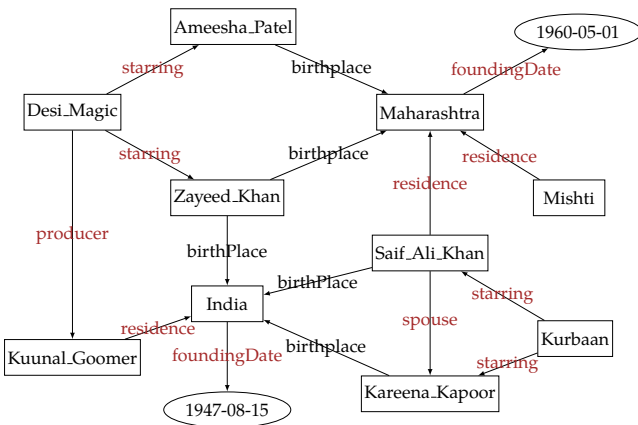


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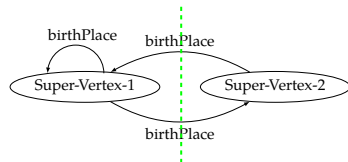
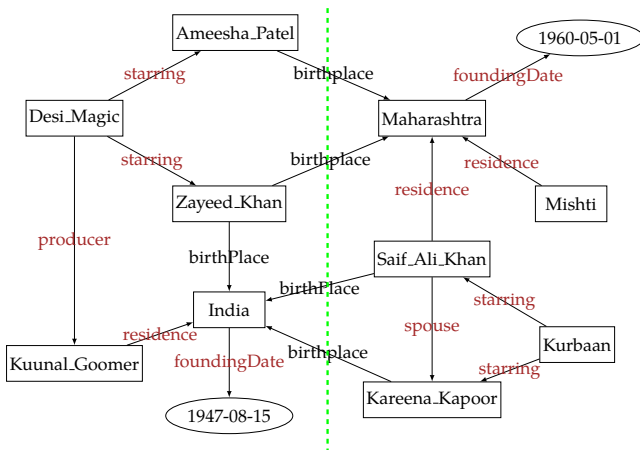
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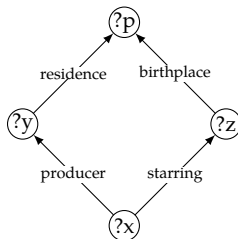
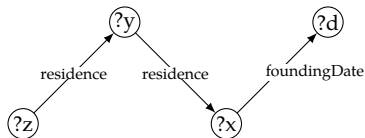
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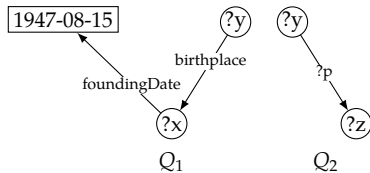
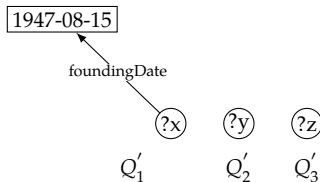
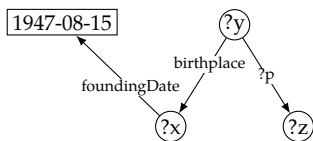
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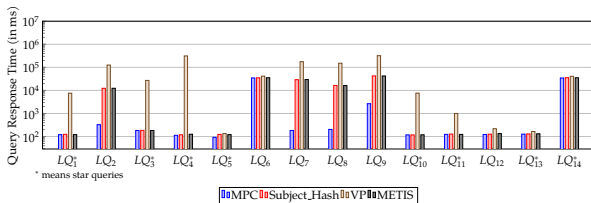
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- ▶ Non-IEQ $\rightarrow$ decompose into a set of IEQs and join the results
 - ▶ Remove crossing predicate edges & edges with variables
 - ▶ Form subqueries
 - ▶ Add crossing predicate edges to subqueries



PERFORMANCE ADVANTAGE

	MPC	VC	METIS
LUBM	100	0	43
WatDiv	60	0	50
MusicBrains	86	14	57
YAGO2	100	0	0
DBpedia	75	24	47
LinkedGeoData	100	84	97



Independently Executable
Queries

LUBM Query Performance

Minimizing predicate-cuts can significantly improve the percentage of independently executable queries resulting in improved query performance

QUERY PARTITIONING APPROACH – GENERAL COMMENTS

- + High performance
- + Great for parallelizing centralized RDF data
- Query decomposition may not be easy
- Each proposed approach requires a specific graph partitioning strategy – no generic partitioning

It would be interesting to consider adapting the relational distributed query processing methodology

PARTITIONED QUERY EVALUATION METHODOLOGY

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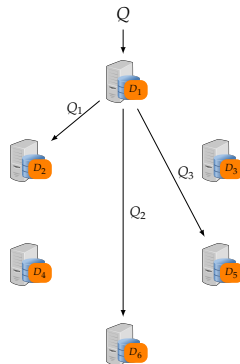
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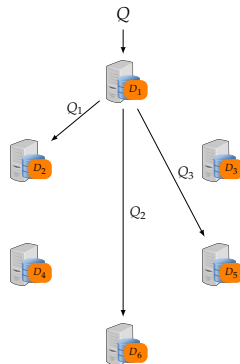
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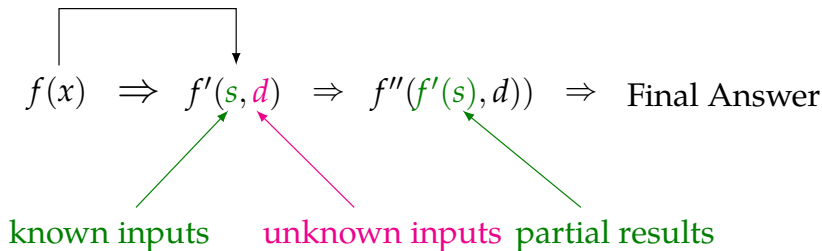
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► There isn't much work on algebraic SPARQL processing/optimization

PARTIAL QUERY EVALUATION (PQE)

- ▶ RDF data D is partitioned $\{D_1, \dots, D_n\}$
- ▶ SPARQL query is not decomposed
- ▶ Partial query evaluation – Distributed gStore [Peng et al., 2016]



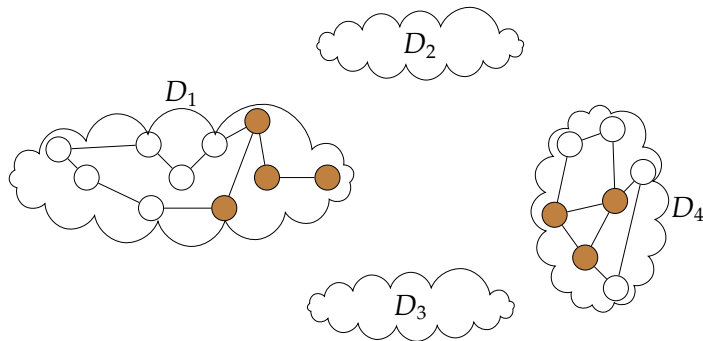
- ▶ Query is the function and each D_i + its extended vertices form the known input

DISTRIBUTED SPARQL USING PQE

[PENG ET AL., 2016]

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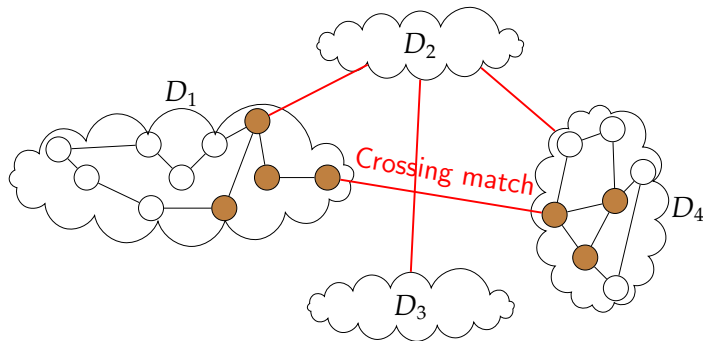


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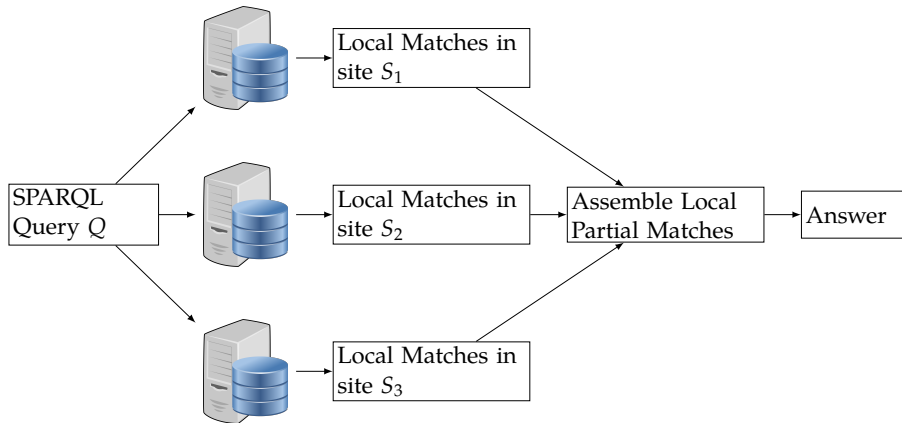
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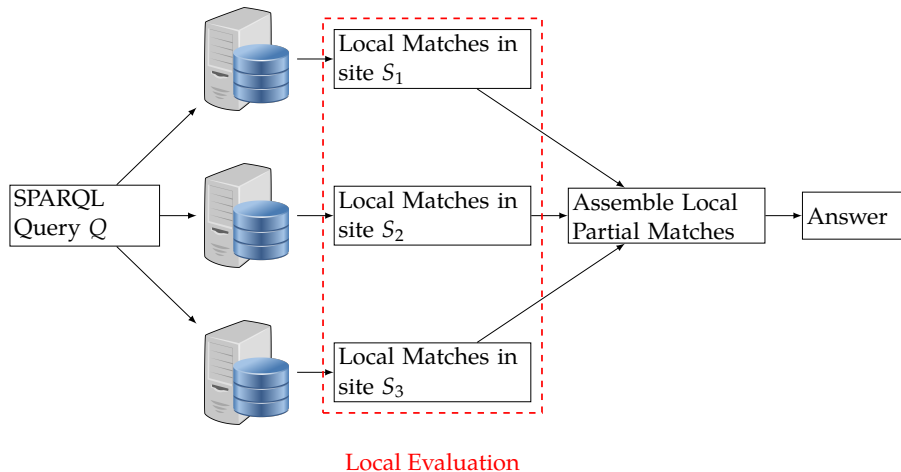
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2. Assemble the partial matches to get final result
 - ▶ Crossing match



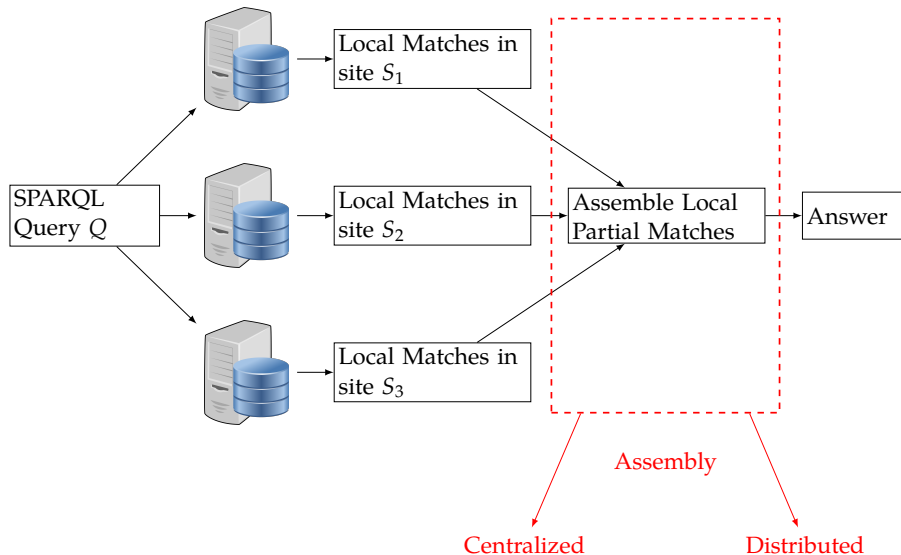
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PQE APPROACH – GENERAL COMMENTS

- + High performance due to parallelization
- + Do not have to deal with query decomposition
- RDF processing systems at each site need to be modified

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- ▶ SPARQL query is executed as MapReduce jobs
- ▶ Data parallel execution
- ▶ Examples: HARD [Rohloff & Schantz, 2010] , HadoopRDF [Husain et al., 2011] , EAGRE [Zhang et al., 2013] and JenaHBase [Khadilkar et al., 2012]

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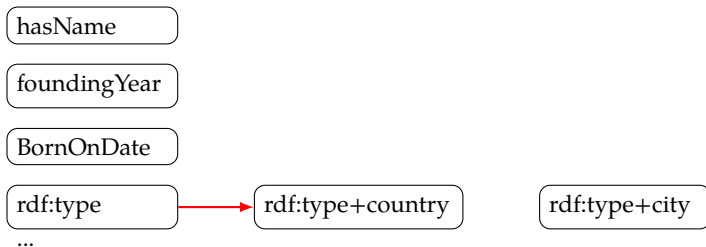
Main Idea

Query operations are MapReduce jobs $\rightarrow$ Operator implementations on MapReduce [Li et al., 2014]

AN EXAMPLE – HADOOPRDF

[HUSAIN ET AL., 2011]

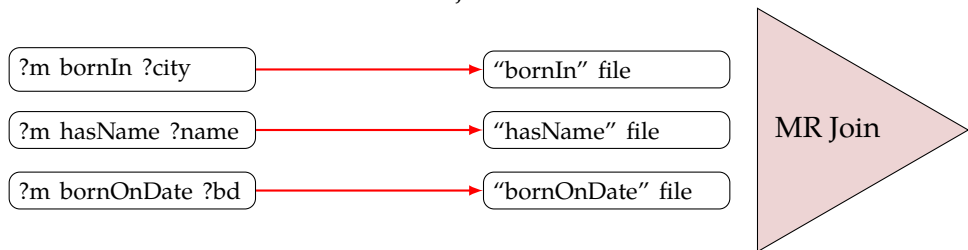
- ▶ File organization (offline)
 - ▶ **Predicate split**: all triples sharing the same predicate go to one file.
 - ▶ **Predicate object split**: further dividing the files based on the objects



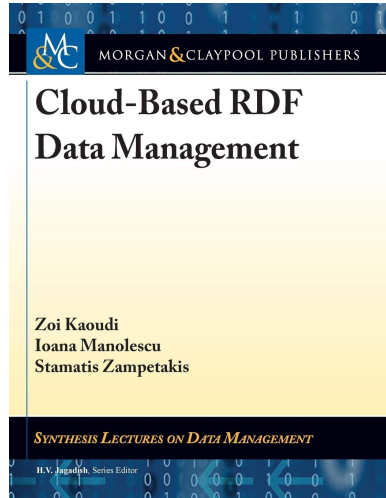
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- ▶ File organization (offline)
- ▶ Query Evaluation
 - ▶ **Input file selection:** For each triple pattern, select the corresponding files
 - ▶ **MapReduce join:** Joining between two or more triple patterns on a variable
 - ▶ **Order selection:** Cost-based join order selection



CLOUD-BASED APPROACHES – GENERAL COMMENTS



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Cloud-Based RDB

- + High scalability
- + Inherently fault-tolerant
- Performance bounded by MapReduce
- Intermediate results can be large
- Optimizations need to be implemented outside the MapReduce platform



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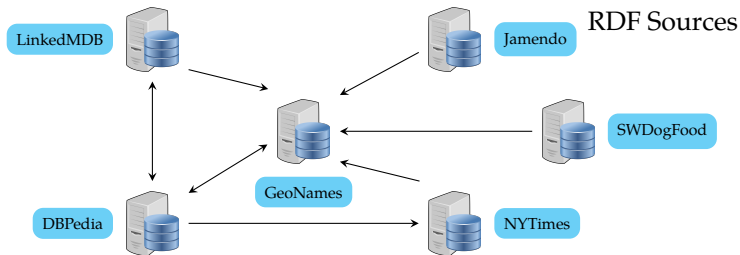
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Conclusions

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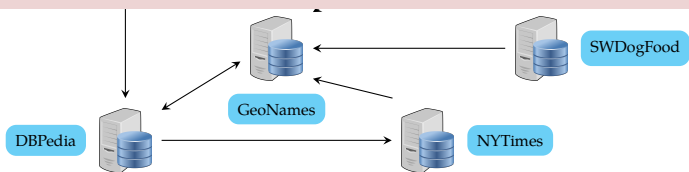


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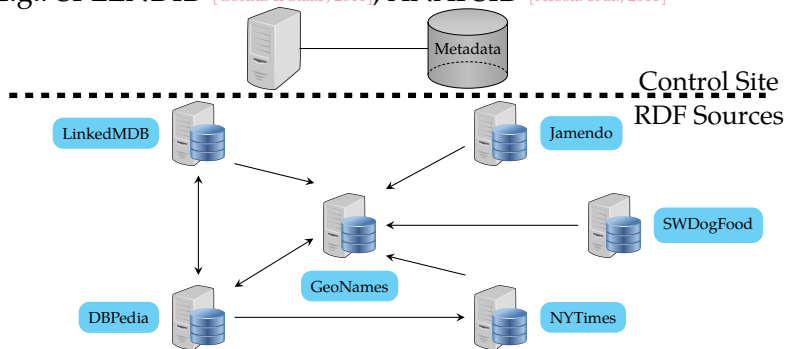
Main Idea

Data integration approach → Datasets exist at SPARQL endpoints and queries are pushed to them



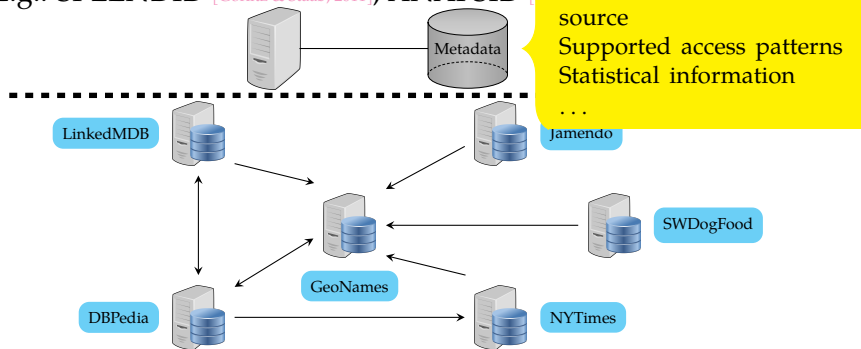
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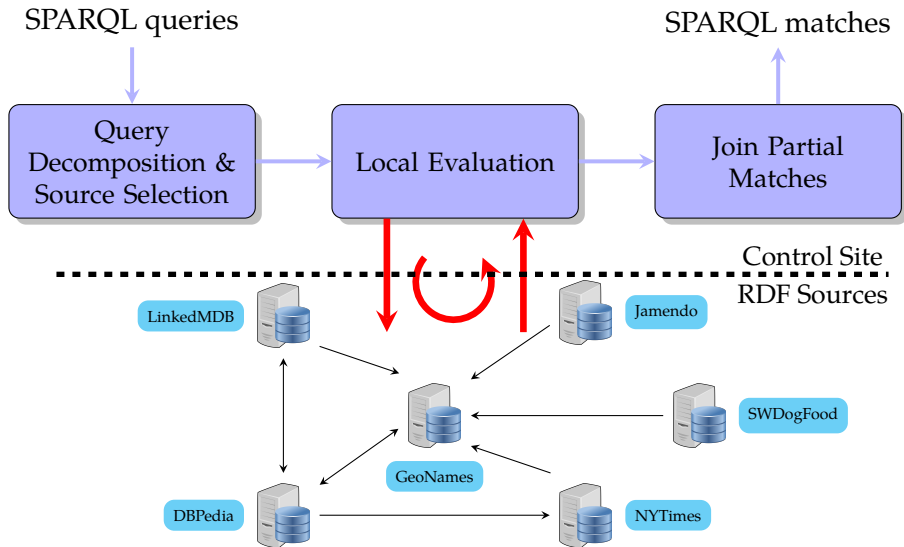


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FEDERATED QUERY PROCESSING



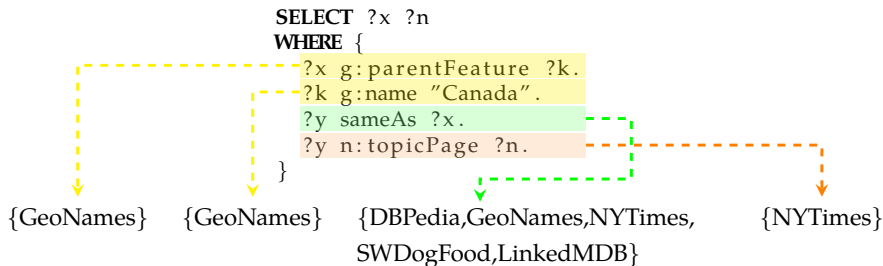
QUERY DECOMPOSITION

- ▶ Each triple pattern maps to a set of RDF sources based on the values of its subject, property, and object.

```
SELECT ?x ?n
WHERE {
    ?x g:parentFeature ?k.
    ?k g:name "Canada".
    ?y sameAs ?x.
    ?y n:topicPage ?n.
}
```

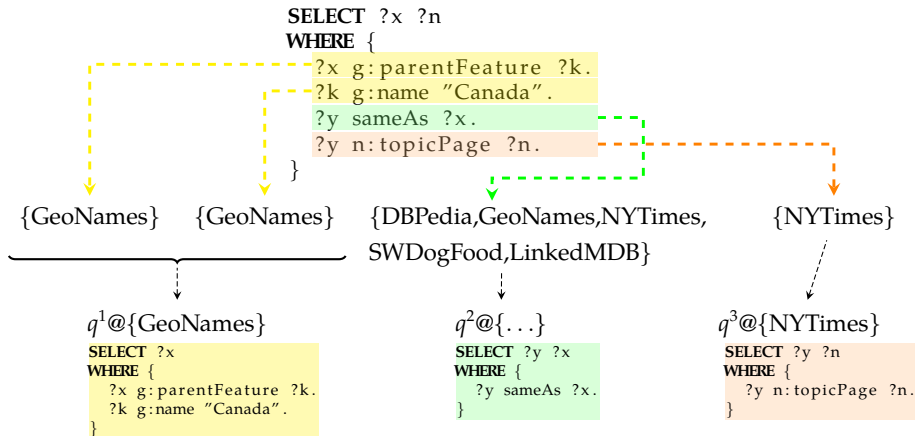
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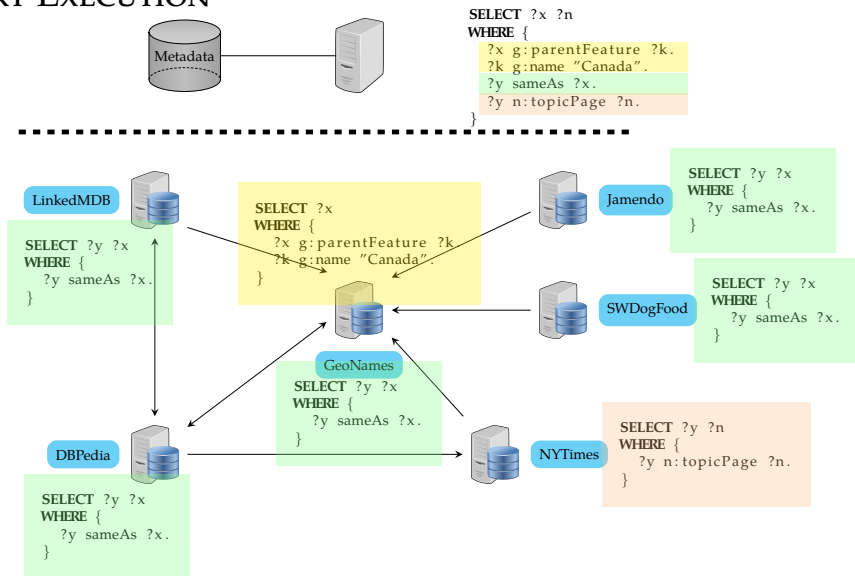
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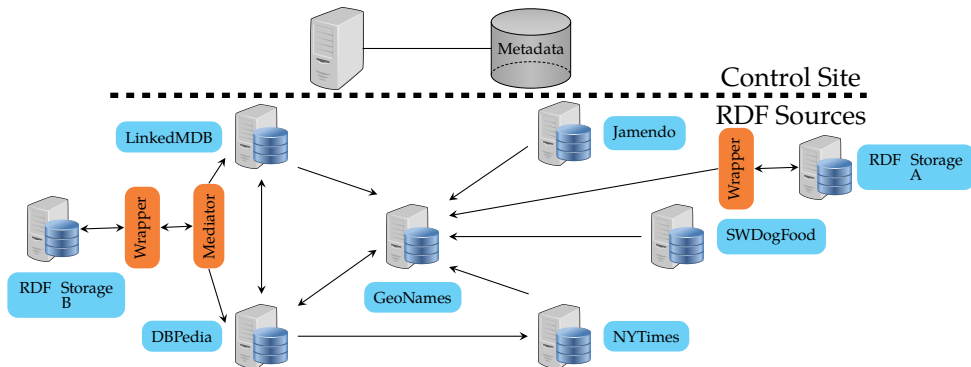
- ▶ Metadata-based approaches
 - ▶ Use the information in the metadata repository to determine which sources are relevant
 - ▶ DARQ [Quilitz & Leser, 2008]
 - ▶ QTree [Harth et al., 2010; Prasser et al., 2012]
 - ▶ HiBISCus [Saleem & Ngomo, 2014]
 - ▶ ...
- ▶ ASK query-based approach
 - ▶ Asking whether or not a triple pattern has an answer at a source
 - ▶ FedX [Schwarte et al., 2011a,b]

QUERY EXECUTION



NOT ALL RDF STORAGE SITES ARE SPARQL ENDPOINTS

- ▶ Use the mediator-wrapper paradigm
- ▶ Wrappers provide SPARQL endpoint functionality
- ▶ Mediators may be introduced if wrappers are thin
- ▶ E.g.: DARQ [Quilitz & Leser, 2008], FedX [Schwarte et al., 2011b]



UniProt Federation – EBI RDF Platform



Curated computational models of biological processes



Sample information for reference samples and samples for which data exist in one of the EBI's assay databases



Curated chemical database of bioactive molecules with drug-like properties



Genome databases for vertebrates and other eukaryotic species



Gene expression data from the Gene Expression Atlas



Curated and peer-reviewed pathways



FEDERATED ACCESS TO UNIPROT COLLECTION

Get the Reactome pathways where Q16850 is associated, then get all the other proteins in that pathway and pull out their expression from the atlas, along with the GO annotations from UniProt

```
PREFIX rdf: <http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#>
PREFIX rdfs: <http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#>
PREFIX biopax3: <http://www.biopax.org/release/biopax-level3.owl#>
PREFIX atlasterms: <http://rdf.ebi.ac.uk/terms/atlas/>
PREFIX upc:<http://purl.uniprot.org/core/>
SELECT DISTINCT ?pathwayname ?expressionValue ?golabel
WHERE {
  # Get the pathways that reference Q16850
  ?pathway rdf:type biopax3:Pathway .
  ?pathway biopax3:displayName ?pathwayname .
  ?pathway biopax3:pathwayComponent
  [?rel [biopax3:entityReference ?dbXref]] .
  ?pathway biopax3:pathwayComponent
  [?rel [biopax3:entityReference <http://purl.uniprot.org/uniprot/Q16850>]] .

  # Get the expression for those proteins
  SERVICE <http://www.ebi.ac.uk/rdf/services/atlas/sparql> {
    ?value rdfs:label ?expressionValue .
    ?value atlasterms:pValue ?pvalue .
    ?value atlasterms:isMeasurementOf ?probe .
    ?probe atlasterms:dbXref ?dbXref .
  }

  # get the GO functions from Uniprot
  SERVICE <http://uniprot.org/sparql> {
    ?dbXref a upc:Protein ;
    upc:classifiedWith ?keyword .
    ?keyword rdfs:seeAlso ?goid .
    ?goid rdfs:label ?golabel .
  }
}
```

FEDERATED APPROACH – GENERAL COMMENTS

- + Data integration approach – realistic for existing knowledge graphs
- SPARQL endpoints are unreliable (up to 64% offline at any point)
- Not all RDF data storage points are SPARQL endpoints – mediators are not easy

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TAKE-AWAYS

- ▶ Although a lot of work & systems, still immature
- ▶ Multiple communities
 - ▶ Semantic web → functionality
 - ▶ Data management → performance
- ▶ Most work only considers BGP, not full SPARQL 1.1
- ▶ Algebra definitions are starting → potential for relational style distributed execution
- ▶ Opportunities for views, multiquery optimization [Peng et al., 2018], cost-based optimization open
- ▶ Dynamism of the underlying RDF datasets needs to be considered
 - ▶ Harder to distribute due to potentially heavy data movement

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