OntoHub Perspectives

The Ontohub team

12.12.12





Time plan

10h	Intro / Motivation / Know-How
10.30h	Ontohub and its background (OntolOp ISO standard,
	OOR community, Hets community)
11h	Ontohub.org web portal demo
11.30h	Ontohub architecture and data model
13h	Lunch
14h	Aims
14.30h	Motivation / Know-How / Work areas
15h	Organisation (regular meetings, programming sessions,
	github, issue tracker)
15.30h	Setup of development environment
ca. 16h	End





Ontologies

- Ontology = shared (formal) conceptualisation (of a domain)
- Example: Pizza ontology
 - using Web Ontology Language OWL
 - tool for editing OWL ontologies: Protégé http://protege.stanford.edu/





Applications of Ontologies

- Medicine (Snomed)
- Biology, Biochemistry (molecules . . .)
- Semantic Web
 - Semantic Mediawiki
 - better categories for Wikipedia
 - schema.org (Google, Yahoo, Microsoft)
 - structured content for HTML pages





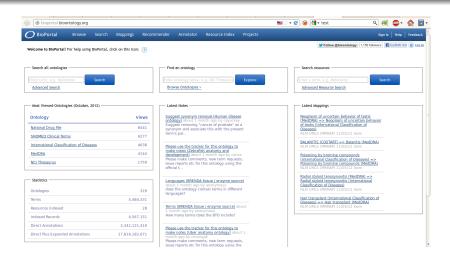
Open Ontology Repository (OOR)

- ambitious goals:
 - establishing a hosted registry-repository;
 - enabling and facilitating open, federated, collaborative ontology repositories, and
 - establishing best practices for expressing interoperable ontology and taxonomy work in registry-repositories.
- lots of OOR presentations at conferences
- regular Skype conferences
- implementation: only through Bioportal, only for OWL
- http://www.oor.net





BioPortal







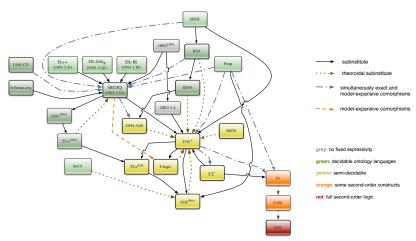
Ontology Integration and Interoperability (OntolOp)

- ISO Standard 17347 (currently: working draft)
- Distributed Ontology Language (DOL)
 - OWL (Web Ontology Language)
 - RDF (Resource Description Framework)
 - EER (Enhanced Entity-Relationship Diagrams)
 - Common Logic
 - UML (Unified Modeling Language)
 - ...
- Community of 10-15 experts
- bi-weekly Skype conferences
- http://ontoiop.org





OntolOp Logic Graph







Heterogeneous Tool Set (Hets)

- Logic backend for OntoHub
- can parse and analyse all involved languages
- implements logic translations
- interface to about 15 proof tools
- anchored in algebraic specification community (WADT, CoFI, IFIP WG 1.3)
- http://www.dfki.de/cps/hets





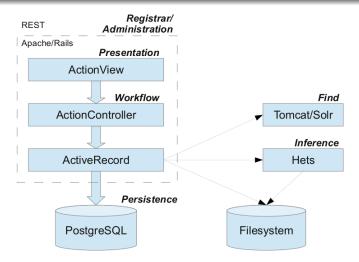
OntoHub mission

- generalise Bioportal and OOR
 ⇒ provide a repository for heterogeneous ontologies
- provide a repository for OntolOp/DOL
- provide a web-frontend for Hets





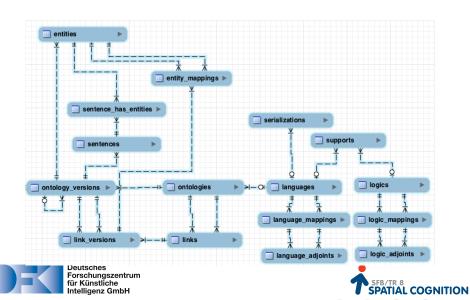
Ontohub architecture







Ontohub data model



OntoHub short-term and long-term goals

- Keep functionality through tests
- CRUD functionality not only for ontologies, but also for logics, translations, . . .
- display graph of ontologies and links (and logic graph)
- Reasoning (provide Hets GUI)
- Git backend (distributed development of ontologies)
- long-term goal: OOR architecture





Tests

Test-driven development:

No line of code without test

- Fixtures: provide data for tests
- Unit tests: test single methods of models
- Functional tests: test controller actions
- Integration tests: test sessions (sequences of actions)





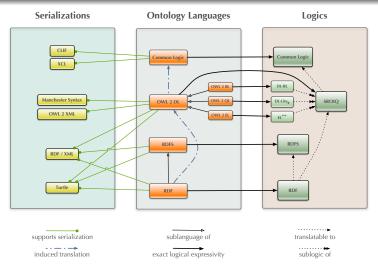
CRUD functionality for logics etc.

- re-use existing functionality for ontologies
- transfer this to links, logics, logic mappings, languages, language mappings, and serializations
- involve further tables like supports
- display lists of these things: see display of graphs
- read in logic graph from OntolOp registry (RDF)





OntolOp registry







display of graphs

- use graphviz / dot to generate svg from graph
- html and javascript can be embedded to svg
- use this to realise menus for nodes and links
- long-term goal: re-use Bioportal's fancy display

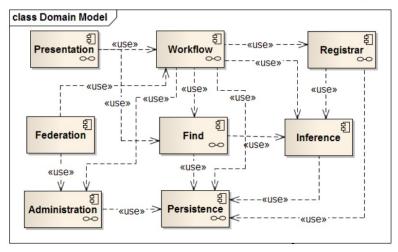




OOR architecture

Revised Architecture





Git backend

- New Rails model "repository", which simultaneously provides namespace for ontologies
- underlying git or svn repositories
- permissions per repository (not per ontology)
- only contents of master branch is displayed in Ontohub
- store who has pushed when what
- server side git hooks





Organisation

- who does what?
- meetings
- shared office in Cartesium



