

# SPARQL

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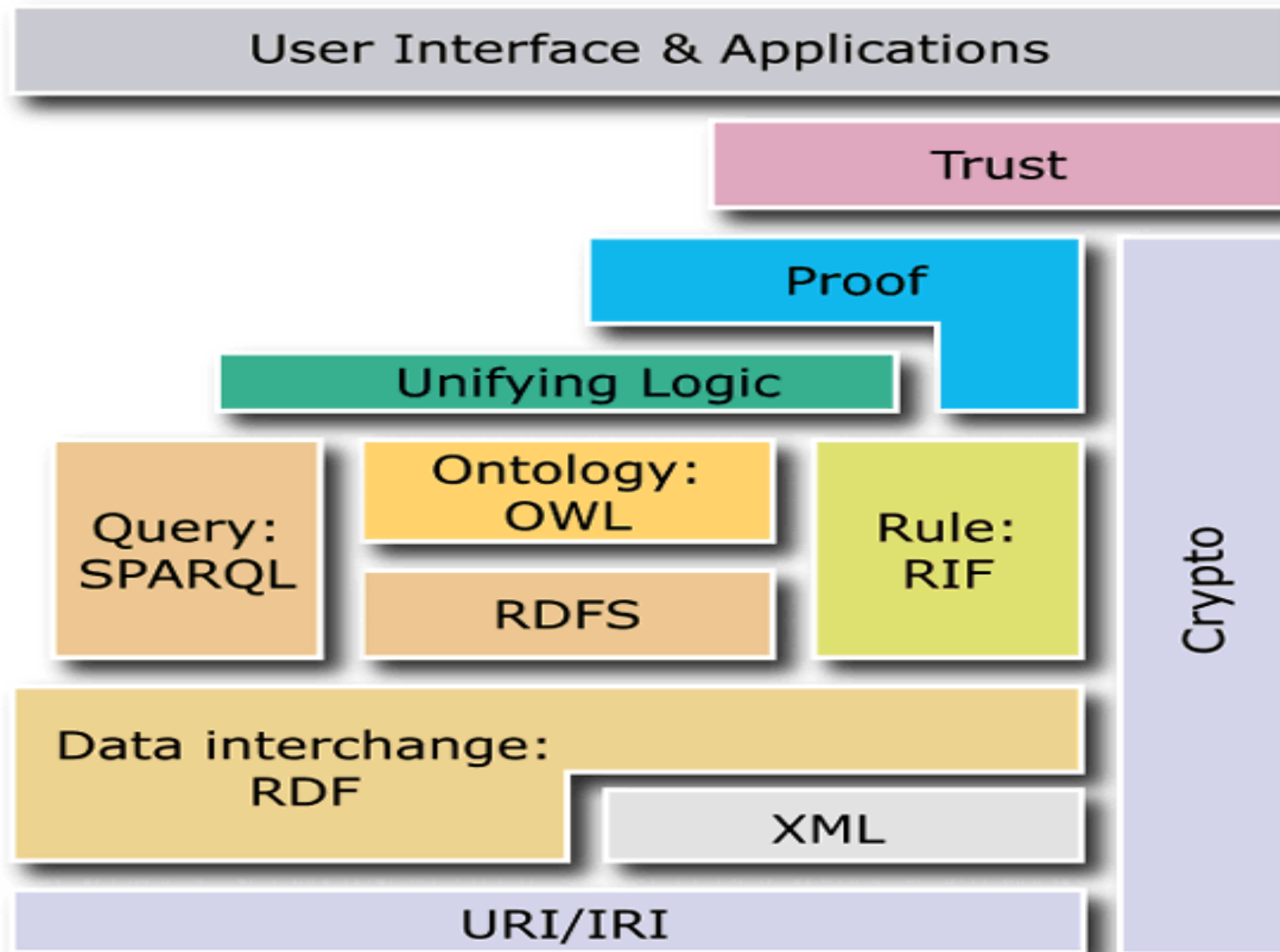
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# The Semantic Web

The Semantic Web provides standards to

- Identify entities (URIs)
- Express facts (RDF)
- Express concepts (RDFS)
- Share vocabularies
- Describe constraints (OWL)
-  Query knowledge (SPARQL)
- Linked data

# Semantic Web Cake



# SPARQL

- SPARQL is the query language for the Semantic Web
- RDF query language + access protocol
- SPARQL Protocol for RDF
  - Transmission of SPARQL queries and the results
  - **SPARQL endpoint**: Web service that implements the protocol

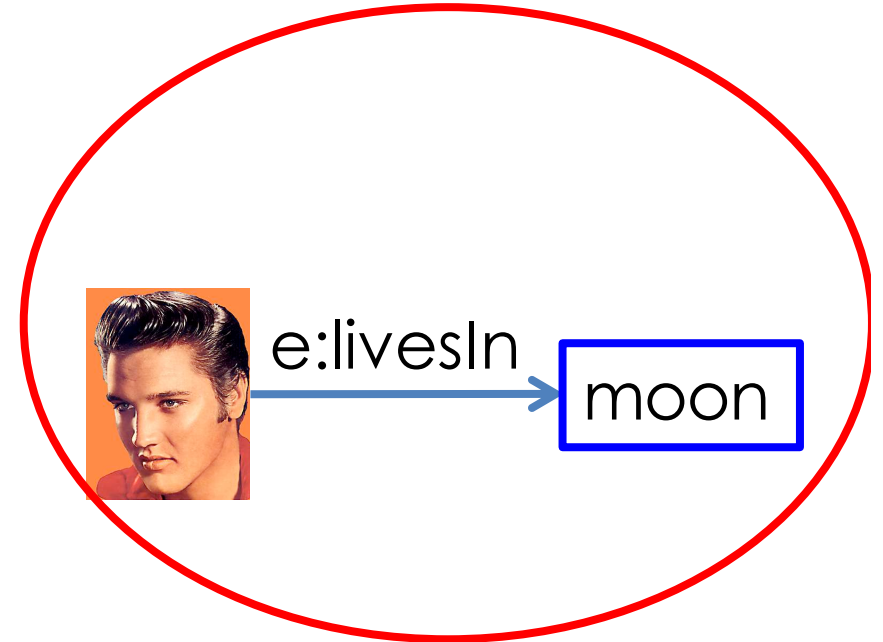
# SPARQL

```
PREFIX e: <http://elvis.org/>
```

```
SELECT ?loc  
WHERE {  
  e:elvis e:livesIn ?loc  
}
```

Find me all the values  
for ?loc such that the  
triple is true.

Elvis, where are you?



# SPARQL Matching

SPARQL is based on matching graph patterns

PREFIX e: <<http://elvis.org/>>

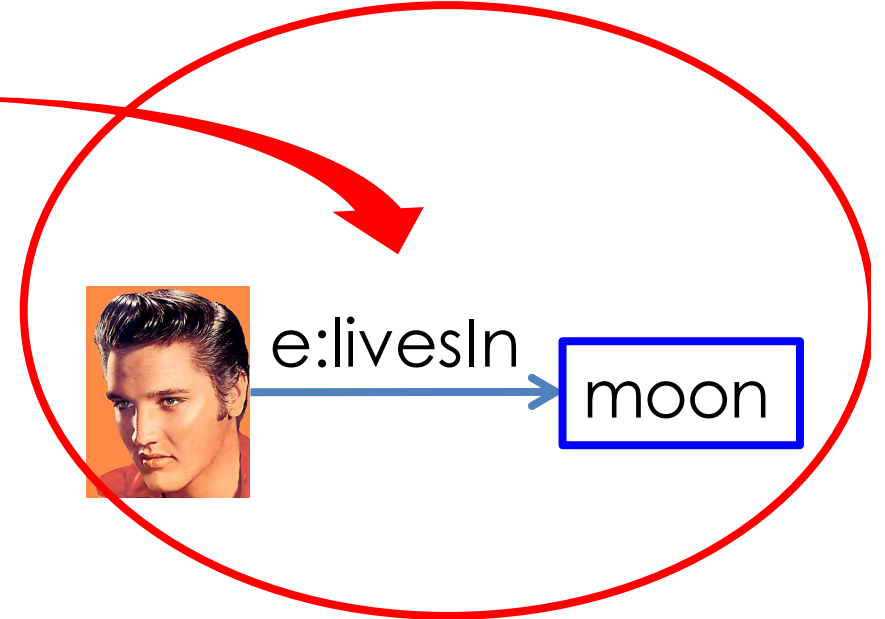
SELECT ?loc

WHERE {

e:elvis e:livesIn ?loc

}

Elvis, where are you?



?loc

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e:moon



# SPARQL Matching

- A triple pattern is *matched* against the RDF data
- Each way a pattern can be matched yields a solution
- *Matches the graph*
  - find a set of bindings such that the substitution of variables for values creates a triple that is in the set of triples making up the graph.

# SPARQL Patterns

- **Triple pattern** : like an RDF triple, but with the possibility of a variable instead of an RDF term in the subject, predicate, or object positions
  - e:elvis e:livesIn ?loc
- **Basic Graph Pattern (BGP)** is a set of triple patterns
- **Group Graph Pattern** set of BGP delimited by { }
- **Optional Graph Pattern**
- **Alternative Graph Pattern**
- **Patterns on Named Graphs**



# Basic Graph Patterns

PREFIX e: <<http://elvis.org/>>

PREFIX rdf: <<http://w3c.org/>...>

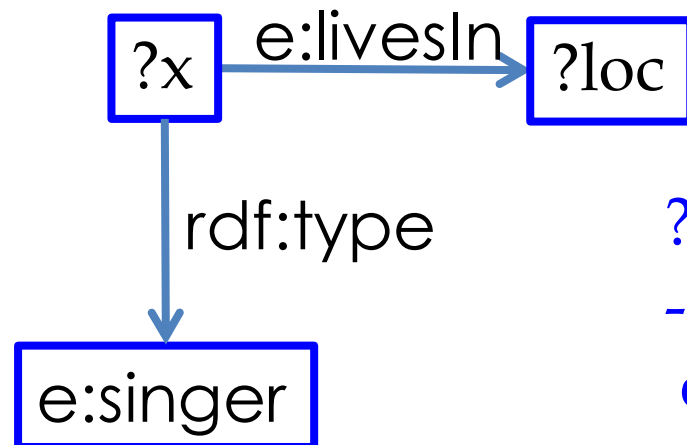
SELECT ?loc, ?x

WHERE {

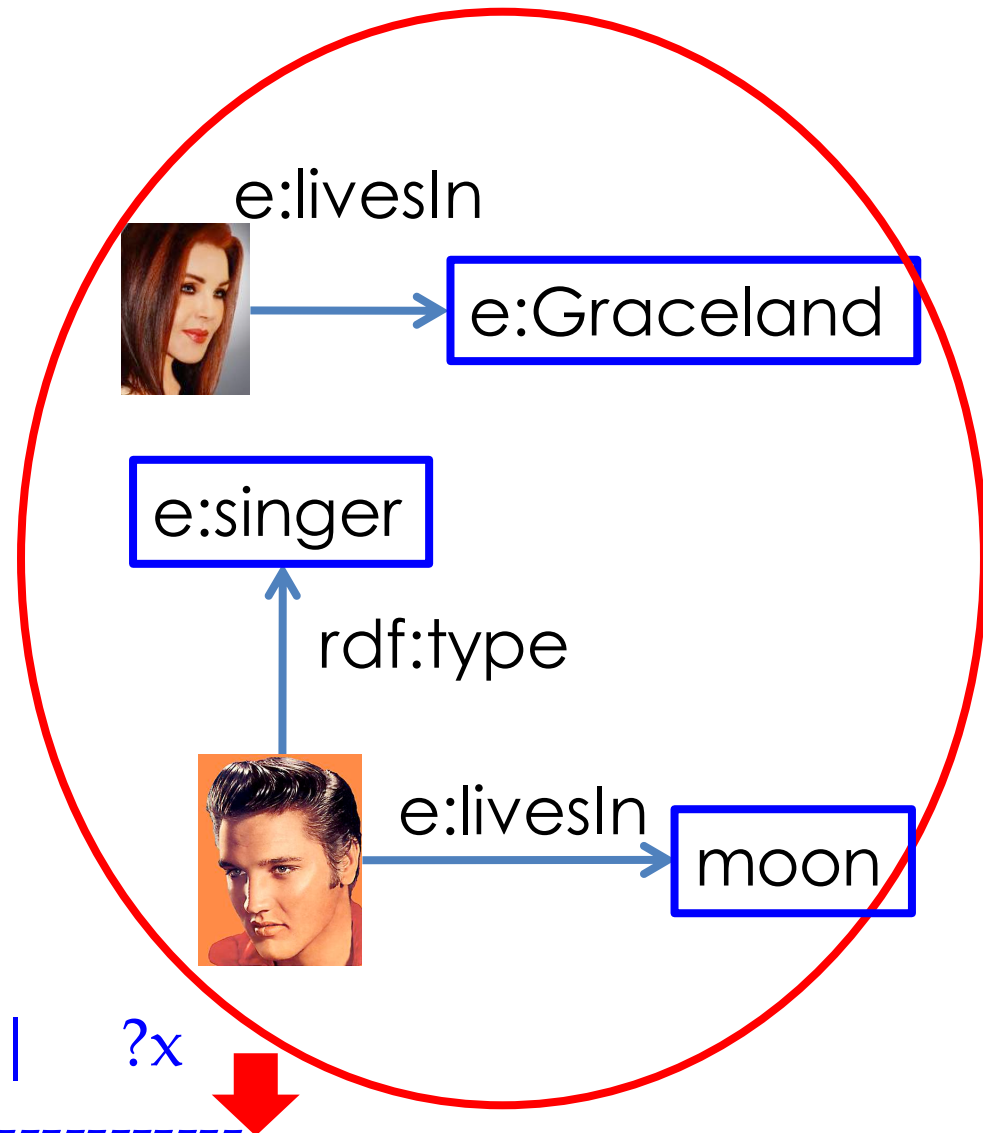
?x e:livesIn ?loc .

?x rdf:type e:singer

}



?loc | ?x  
-----  
e:moon | e:Elvis



# BGP Example 1: Simple Matching

- Query: Find the title of a book.

Data:

```
<http://example.org/book/book1> <http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/title> "SPARQL Tutorial" .
```

Query:

```
SELECT ?title
WHERE
{
  <http://example.org/book/book1> <http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/title> ?title .
}
```

Query Result:

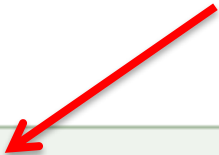
title
"SPARQL Tutorial"

# BGP Example 2: Multiple Matches

Q: Retrieve name and mailbox ..

Data:

```
@prefix foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/> .  
  
_:a foaf:name "Johnny Lee Outlaw" .  
_:a foaf:mbox <mailto:jlow@example.com> .  
_:b foaf:name "Peter Goodguy" .  
_:b foaf:mbox <mailto:peter@example.org> .  
_:c foaf:mbox <mailto:carol@example.org> .
```



Query:

```
PREFIX foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>  
SELECT ?name ?mbox  
WHERE  
{ ?x foaf:name ?name .  
  ?x foaf:mbox ?mbox }
```

Query Result:

name	mbox
"Johnny Lee Outlaw"	<mailto:jlow@example.com>
"Peter Goodguy"	<mailto:peter@example.org>

# Simplified Syntaxes

```
SELECT ?name ?mbox
WHERE {
  ?x foaf:name ?name .
  ?x foaf:mbox ?mbox
}
```



```
SELECT ?name ?mbox
WHERE {
  ?x foaf:name ?name ;
  foaf:mbox ?mbox.
}
```

# Optional Graph Pattern (1)

PREFIX e: <<http://elvis.org/>>

PREFIX rdf: <[http://w3c.org/...](http://w3c.org/)>

SELECT ?x

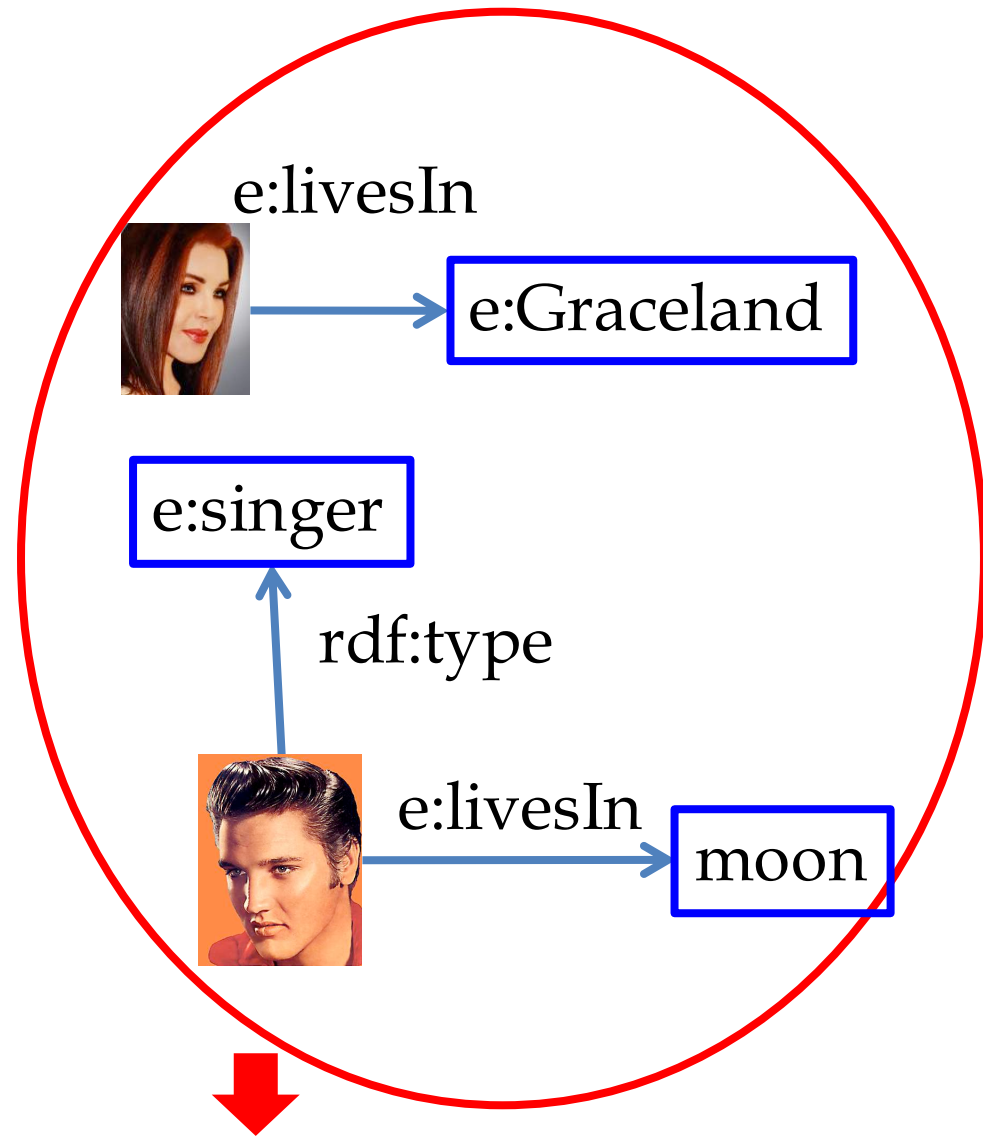
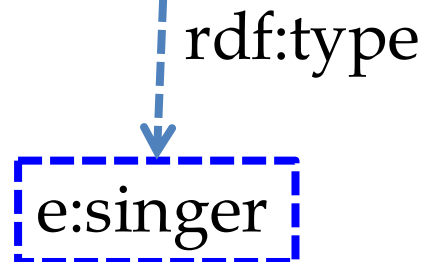
WHERE {

?x e:livesIn ?loc.

OPTIONAL

?x rdf:type e:singer

}



?x = e:Priscilla  
?x = e:Elvis

# Optional Graph Pattern (2)

```
@prefix foaf:      <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/> .
@prefix rdf:      <http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#> .

_:a  rdf:type      foaf:Person .
_:a  foaf:name     "Alice" .
_:a  foaf:mbox     <mailto:alice@example.com> .
_:a  foaf:mbox     <mailto:alice@work.example> .

_:b  rdf:type      foaf:Person .
_:b  foaf:name     "Bob" .
```

```
PREFIX foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>
SELECT ?name ?mbox
WHERE {
  ?x foaf:name ?name .
      OPTIONAL { ?x foaf:mbox ?mbox }
}
```

name	mbox
"Alice"	<mailto:alice@example.com>
"Alice"	<mailto:alice@work.example>
"Bob"	

# Exercise (1)

Retrieve the names of friends and their nickname, if it exist..

```
@prefix foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/> .

_:a      foaf:name      "Alice" .
_:a      foaf:knows     _:b .
_:a      foaf:knows     _:c .

_:b      foaf:name      "Bob" .|

_:c      foaf:name      "Clare" .
_:c      foaf:nick      "CT" .
```

```
PREFIX foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>
SELECT ?nameX ?nameY ?nickY
WHERE
{ ?x foaf:knows ?y ;
  foaf:name ?nameX .
  ?y foaf:name ?nameY .
  OPTIONAL { ?y foaf:nick ?nickY }
}
```

nameX	nameY	nickY
"Alice"	"Bob"	
"Alice"	"Clare"	"CT"

# SPARQL Filters (1)

PREFIX e: <<http://elvis.org/>>

PREFIX rdf: <[http://w3c.org/...](http://w3c.org/)>

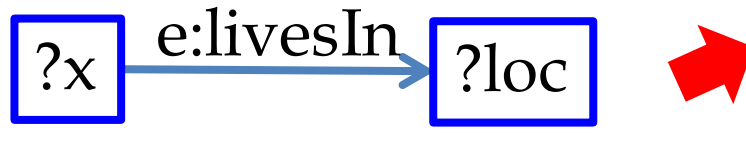
SELECT ?loc ?x

WHERE {

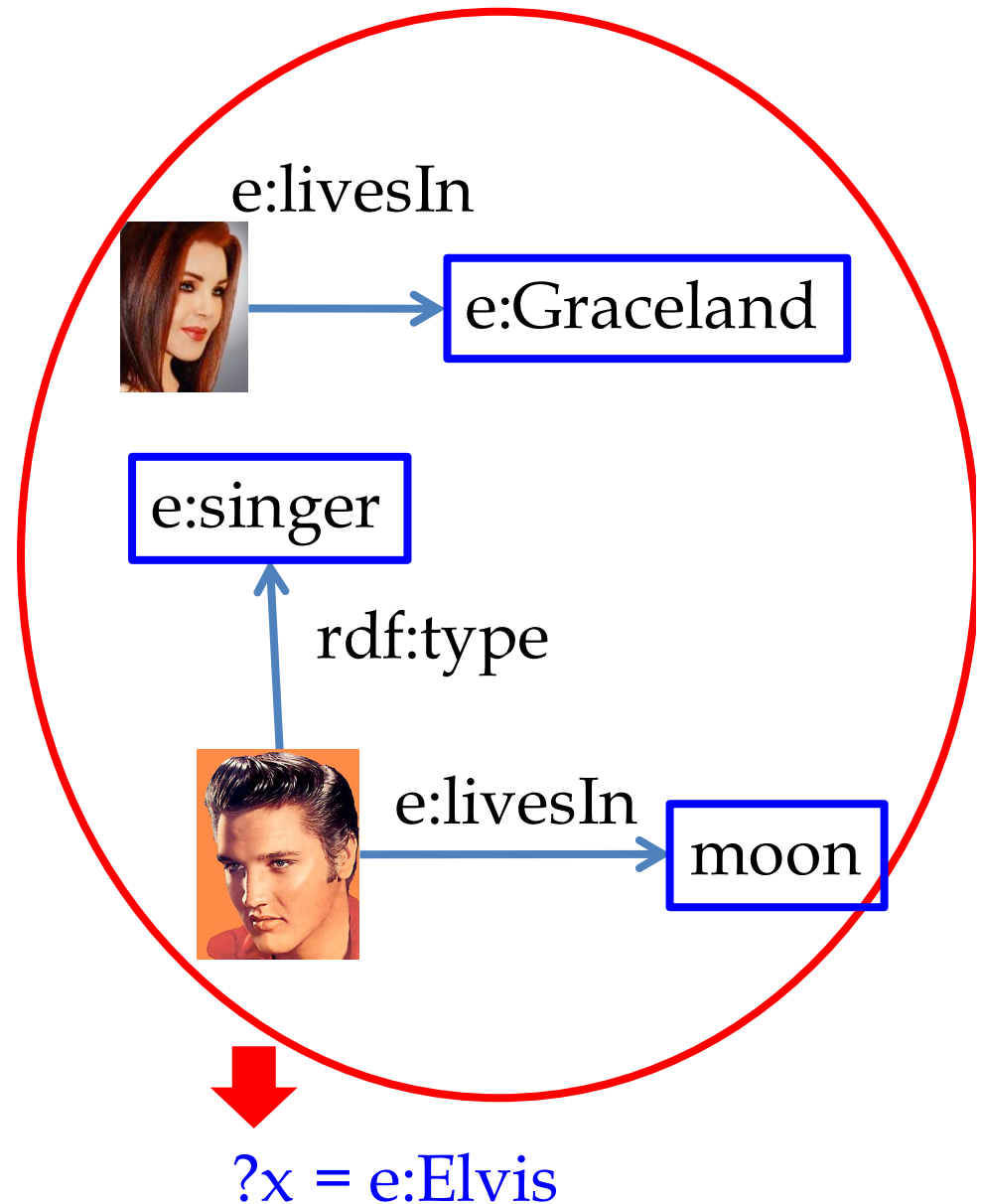
?x e:livesIn ?loc.

FILTER regex(?loc,"^m")

}



Results can be filtered through external boolean functions.





# SPARQL Filters (2)

Retrieve titles that start with SPARQL .

Data:

```
@prefix dc:    <http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/> .
@prefix :      <http://example.org/book/> .
@prefix ns:    <http://example.org/ns#> .

:book1  dc:title  "SPARQL Tutorial" .
:book1  ns:price  42 .
:book2  dc:title  "The Semantic Web" .
:book2  ns:price  23 .
```

Query:

```
PREFIX  dc: <http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/>
SELECT  ?title
WHERE   { ?x dc:title ?title
          FILTER regex(?title, "^SPARQL")
        }
```

Query Result:

title
"SPARQL Tutorial"

# Scope of Filters (3)

A constraint, expressed by the keyword FILTER, is a restriction on solutions over the whole group in which the filter appears.

## Data:

```
@prefix dc:    <http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/> .
@prefix :     <http://example.org/book/> .
@prefix ns:   <http://example.org/ns#> .

:book1  dc:title  "SPARQL Tutorial" .
:book1  ns:price  42 .
:book2  dc:title  "The Semantic Web" .
:book2  ns:price  23 .
```

```
PREFIX  dc:  <http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/>
PREFIX  ns:  <http://example.org/ns#>
SELECT  ?title ?price
WHERE   { ?x ns:price ?price .
          FILTER (?price < 30.5)
          ?x dc:title ?title . }
```

title	price
"The Semantic Web"	23

# SPARQL Filters and Optional

```
@prefix dc:    <http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/> .
@prefix :     <http://example.org/book/> .
@prefix ns:   <http://example.org/ns#> .

:book1  dc:title  "SPARQL Tutorial" .
:book1  ns:price  42 .
:book2  dc:title  "The Semantic Web" .
:book2  ns:price  23 .
```

```
PREFIX  dc:  <http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/>
PREFIX  ns:  <http://example.org/ns#>
SELECT  ?title ?price
WHERE   { ?x dc:title ?title .
          OPTIONAL { ?x ns:price ?price . FILTER (?price < 30) }
        }
```

title	price
"SPARQL Tutorial"	
"The Semantic Web"	23

# Filtering Using Graph Patterns

## Negation: not exists

Data:

@prefix : <http://example/> .

@prefix rdf: <http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#> .

@prefix foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/> .

:alice rdf:type foaf:Person .

:alice foaf:name "Alice" .

:bob rdf:type foaf:Person .

Query:

PREFIX rdf: <http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#>

PREFIX foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>

SELECT ?person

WHERE {

    ?person rdf:type foaf:Person .

    FILTER NOT EXISTS { ?person foaf:name ?name }

}

# Filtering Using Graph Patterns exists

Data:

@prefix : <http://example/> .

@prefix rdf: <http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#> .

@prefix foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/> .

:alice rdf:type foaf:Person .

:alice foaf:name "Alice" .

:bob rdf:type foaf:Person .

Query:

PREFIX rdf: <http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#>

PREFIX foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>

SELECT ?person

WHERE {

    ?person rdf:type foaf:Person .

    FILTER EXISTS { ?person foaf:name ?name }

}

# Negation with MINUS

## Data:

@prefix : <http://example/> .

@prefix foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/> .

:alice foaf:givenName "Alice";

foaf:familyName "Smith" .

:bob foaf:givenName "Bob";

foaf:familyName "Jones" .

:carol foaf:givenName "Carol";

foaf:familyName "Smith" .

- *NOT EXISTS* in FILTERs
  - detect non-existence
- *(P1 MINUS P2)* as a new binary operator
  - “Remove rows with matching bindings”
  - only effective when *P1* and *P2* share variables

## Query:

PREFIX : <http://example/>

PREFIX foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>

SELECT DISTINCT ?s

WHERE { ?s ?p ?o .

MINUS {

?s foaf:givenName "Bob" .

}

}

# Alternative Graph Pattern

```
@prefix dc10: <http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.0/> .
@prefix dc11: <http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/> .

_:a  dc10:title      "SPARQL Query Language Tutorial" .
_:a  dc10:creator    "Alice" .

_:b  dc11:title      "SPARQL Protocol Tutorial" .
_:b  dc11:creator    "Bob" .

_:c  dc10:title      "SPARQL" .
_:c  dc11:title      "SPARQL (updated)" .
```

```
PREFIX dc10: <http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.0/>
PREFIX dc11: <http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/>

SELECT ?title
WHERE { { ?book dc10:title ?title } UNION { ?book dc11:title ?title } }
```

title
"SPARQL Protocol Tutorial"
"SPARQL"
"SPARQL (updated)"
"SPARQL Query Language Tutorial"

# Summary of Graph Pattern

- Different types of graph patterns for the query pattern
- (WHERE clause):
  - Basic graph pattern (BGP)
  - Group graph pattern
  - Optional graph pattern – keyword OPTIONAL
  - Alternative graph pattern – keyword UNION
  - Constraints – keyword FILTER



# Solution Modifiers

- **Order by**: put the solutions in order
- **Distinct** : removes duplicates from the result set
- **Offset** : control where the solutions start from in the overall sequence of solutions
- **Limit** : puts an upper bound on the number of solutions returned

# Examples

**Q1:** PREFIX foaf: <<http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>>

SELECT ?name

WHERE {

    ?x foaf:name ?name }

ORDER BY ?name

**Q2:** PREFIX : <<http://example.org/ns#>>

PREFIX foaf: <<http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>>

PREFIX xsd: <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#>

SELECT ?name

WHERE { ?x foaf:name ?name ;

        :empld ?emp }

ORDER BY DESC(?emp)

Limit 5

# Examples

```
_:x foaf:name "Alice" .
_:x foaf:mbox
<mailto:alice@example.com> .
_:y foaf:name "Alice" .
_:y foaf:mbox .
<mailto:asmith@example.com> .
_:z foaf:name "Alice" .
_:z foaf:mbox
<mailto:alice.smith@example.com> .
```

```
Q1: PREFIX foaf:
<http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>
SELECT ?name
WHERE {
  ?x foaf:name ?name }
```

```
Q2: PREFIX foaf:
<http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/
>
SELECT DISTINCT ?name
WHERE {
  ?x foaf:name ?name }
```

# SPARQL Query forms

- **Select**
  - Sequence of results (i.e. sets of variable bindings)
  - Selected variables separated by space (not by comma!)
- **Construct**
  - Returns an RDF graph created from a template
  - Template: graph pattern with variables from the query pattern
- **Describe**
  - Returns an RDF graph with data about resources
  - Nondeterministic (i.e. query processor determines the actual structure of the returned RDF graph).
- **Ask**
  - Check whether there is at least one answer

# Construct

Question : construct the foaf graph containing the name of employees

```
@prefix org:      <http://example.com/ns#> .

_:a  org:employeeName  "Alice" .
_:a  org:employeeId    12345 .

_:b  org:employeeName  "Bob" .
_:b  org:employeeId    67890 .
```

```
PREFIX foaf:      <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>
PREFIX org:       <http://example.com/ns#>

CONSTRUCT { ?x foaf:name ?name }
WHERE { ?x org:employeeName ?name }
```

```
@prefix org: <http://example.com/ns#> .

_:x foaf:name "Alice" .
_:y foaf:name "Bob" .
```

```
<rdf:RDF
  xmlns:rdf="http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#"
  xmlns:foaf="http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/"
>
  <rdf:Description>
    <foaf:name>Alice</foaf:name>
  </rdf:Description>
  <rdf:Description>
    <foaf:name>Bob</foaf:name>
  </rdf:Description>
</rdf:RDF>
```

# ASK

- Test whether or not a query pattern has a solution.
- No information is returned about the possible query solutions, just whether or not a solution exists.

```
@prefix foaf:      <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/> .  
  
_:a foaf:name      "Alice" .  
_:a foaf:homepage  <http://work.example.org/alice/> .  
  
_:b foaf:name      "Bob" .  
_:b foaf:mbox      <mailto:bob@work.example> .
```

```
PREFIX foaf:      <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>  
ASK { ?x foaf:name "Alice" }
```

Does Alice has a mailbox ?

yes

```
PREFIX foaf:      <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>  
ASK { ?x foaf:name "Alice" ;  
      foaf:mbox  <mailto:alice@work.example> }
```

no

# DESCRIBE

- The DESCRIBE form returns a single result RDF graph containing RDF data about resources

```
PREFIX ent: <http://org.example.com/employees#>
DESCRIBE ?x WHERE { ?x ent:employeeId "1234" }
```

might return a description of the employee and some other potentially useful details:

```
@prefix foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/> .
@prefix vcard: <http://www.w3.org/2001/vcard-rdf/3.0> .
@prefix exOrg: <http://org.example.com/employees#> .
@prefix rdf: <http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#> .
@prefix owl: <http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#>

_:a      exOrg:employeeId      "1234" ;

         foaf:mbox_shalsum      "ABCD1234" ;
         vcard:N
         [ vcard:Family         "Smith" ;
           vcard:Given          "John" ] .

foaf:mbox_shalsum  rdf:type  owl:InverseFunctionalProperty .
```

# RDF Data Sets

- A SPARQL query is executed against an *RDF Dataset*
- An **RDF Dataset** comprises
  - One **default graph**
  - and zero or more **named graphs**(identified by an IRI).
- Keyword GRAPH make one of the named graph the **active graph** used for patterns matching



# Using Select-From-Where

- **SELECT** specifies the projection: the number and order of retrieved data
- **FROM** is used to specify the source (**RDF data set**) being queried (optional)
- **WHERE** imposes constraints on possible solutions in the form of graph pattern templates and boolean constraints

# Specifying RDF Datasets

```
# Default graph (stored at http://example.org/foaf/aliceFoaf)
@prefix foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/> .

_:a foaf:name      "Alice" .
_:a foaf:mbox      <mailto:alice@work.example> .
```

```
PREFIX foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>
SELECT ?name
FROM    <http://example.org/foaf/aliceFoaf>
WHERE   { ?x foaf:name ?name }
```

name
"Alice"

# Example of Dataset

```
# Default graph
@prefix dc: <http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/> .

<http://example.org/bob>    dc:publisher  "Bob" .
<http://example.org/alice>  dc:publisher  "Alice" .
```

```
# Named graph: http://example.org/bob
@prefix foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/> .

_:a foaf:name "Bob" .
_:a foaf:mbox <mailto:bob@oldcorp.example.org> .
```

```
# Named graph: http://example.org/alice
@prefix foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/> .

_:a foaf:name "Alice" .
_:a foaf:mbox <mailto:alice@work.example.org> .
```

# GRAPH FROM NAMED

```
# Default graph (stored at http://example.org/dft.ttl)
@prefix dc: <http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/> .

<http://example.org/bob>    dc:publisher  "Bob Hacker" .
<http://example.org/alice>  dc:publisher  "Alice Hacker" .
```

```
# Named graph: http://example.org/bob
@prefix foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/> .

_:a foaf:name "Bob" .
_:a foaf:mbox <mailto:bob@oldcorp.example.org> .
```

```
# Named graph: http://example.org/alice
@prefix foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/> .

_:a foaf:name "Alice" .
_:a foaf:mbox <mailto:alice@work.example.org> .
```

```
PREFIX foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>
PREFIX dc: <http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/>

SELECT ?who ?g ?mbox
FROM <http://example.org/dft.ttl>
FROM NAMED <http://example.org/alice>
FROM NAMED <http://example.org/bob>
WHERE
{
    ?g dc:publisher ?who .
    GRAPH ?g { ?x foaf:mbox ?mbox }
}
```

# DataSet:

```
# Default graph
@prefix dc: <http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/> .
@prefix g: <tag:example.org,2005-06-06:> .
@prefix xsd: <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#> .

g:graph1 dc:publisher "Bob" .
g:graph1 dc:date "2004-12-06"^^xsd:date .

g:graph2 dc:publisher "Bob" .
g:graph2 dc:date "2005-01-10"^^xsd:date .
```

```
# Graph: locally allocated IRI: tag:example.org,2005-06-06:graph1
@prefix foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/> .

_:a foaf:name "Alice" .
_:a foaf:mbox <mailto:alice@work.example> .

_:b foaf:name "Bob" .
_:b foaf:mbox <mailto:bob@oldcorp.example.org> .
```

```
# Graph: locally allocated IRI: tag:example.org,2005-06-06:graph2
@prefix foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/> .

_:a foaf:name "Alice" .
_:a foaf:mbox <mailto:alice@work.example> .

_:b foaf:name "Bob" .
_:b foaf:mbox <mailto:bob@newcorp.example.org> .
```

# Question

Finds email addresses, detailing the name of the person and the date the information was discovered.

```
PREFIX foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>
PREFIX dc:   <http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/>

SELECT ?name ?mbox ?date
WHERE
{
  ?g dc:publisher ?name ;
     dc:date ?date .
  GRAPH ?g
    { ?person foaf:name ?name ; foaf:mbox ?mbox }
}
```

name	mbox	date
"Bob"	<mailto:bob@oldcorp.example.org>	"2004-12-06"^^xsd:date
"Bob"	<mailto:bob@newcorp.example.org>	"2005-01-10"^^xsd:date

# SPARQL Endpoints

- Service that can
  - receive SPARQL queries sent by a machine
  - receive SPARQL queries typed by a human in a Web interface

<http://esw.w3.org/SparglEndpoints>

Currently Alive SPARQL Endpoints				
(alphabetical. let's avoid <a href="#">PoorMansHypertext</a> and in-your-face URIs, please)				
Project	status	SPARQL endpoint	Webform	
<a href="#">BBC Programmes and Music</a>	(2010-06-29) alive	<a href="#">endpoint</a>	<a href="#">Ajax based Visual Query Builder</a>	P E
<a href="#">Bio2RDF</a>	(2010-01-07) alive	<a href="#">List of 40 SPARQL endpoints</a>	n/a	u
<a href="#">BioGateway</a>	(2010-01-07)	<a href="#">endpoint</a>	<a href="#">webform</a>	B b



# SPARQL Example

Example at <http://dbpedia.org/sparql>:

PREFIX dbo: <<http://dbpedia.org/ontology/>>

```
SELECT ?name ?birth ?death ?person WHERE {  
  ?person dbo:birthPlace :Berlin .  
  ?person dbo:birthDate ?birth .  
  ?person foaf:name ?name .  
  ?person dbo:deathDate ?death .  
  FILTER (?birth < "1900-01-01"^^xsd:date).  
}
```

SPARQL results:

name	birth	death	person
"Hugo Graf von Lerchenfeld auf Kofering und Schonberg"@en	"1843-10-13"^^xsd:date	"1925-06-28"^^xsd:date	:Hugo_Phillip_Graf_von_Lerchenfeld_auf_K%C3%B6fering_und_Sch%C3%B6nberg <a href="#">↗</a>
"Hugo Phillip Graf von und zu Lerchenfeld auf Köfering und Schönberg"@en	"1843-10-13"^^xsd:date	"1925-06-28"^^xsd:date	:Hugo_Phillip_Graf_von_Lerchenfeld_auf_K%C3%B6fering_und_Sch%C3%B6nberg <a href="#">↗</a>
"German: Friederike Luise Wilhelmine Marianne Charlotte von Preußen"@en	"1831-06-21"^^xsd:date	"1855-03-30"^^xsd:date	:Princess_Charlotte_Frederica_of_Prussia <a href="#">↗</a>
"Margrave of Brandenburg-Schwedt Charles Frederick Albert"@en	"1705-06-10"^^xsd:date	"1762-06-22"^^xsd:date	:Charles_Frederick_Albert,_Margrave_of_Brandenburg-Schwedt <a href="#">↗</a>
"German: Friederike Wilhelmina Luise Elisabeth Alexandrine"@en	"1842-02-01"^^xsd:date	"1906-03-26"^^xsd:date	:Princess_Alexandrine_of_Prussia_(1842%E2%80%931906) <a href="#">↗</a>
""Helene" Ellen Franz"@en	"1839-05-30"^^xsd:date	"1923-03-24"^^xsd:date	:Ellen_Franz <a href="#">↗</a>
"()"@en	"1811-10-29"^^xsd:date	"1873-06-06"^^xsd:date	:Prince_Adalbert_of_Prussia_(1811%E2%80%931873) <a href="#">↗</a>
"(Carl Heinrich) Eduard Knoblauch Knoblauch"@en	"1801-09-25"^^xsd:date	"1865-05-29"^^xsd:date	:Eduard_Knoblauch <a href="#">↗</a>
"Achim von Arnim"@en	"1781-01-26"^^xsd:date	"1831-01-21"^^xsd:date	:Ludwig_Achim_von_Arnim <a href="#">↗</a>
"Adalbert Of Prussia"@en	"1811-10-29"^^xsd:date	"1873-06-06"^^xsd:date	:Prince_Adalbert_of_Prussia_(1811%E2%80%931873) <a href="#">↗</a>
"Adam Heinrich Müller"@en	"1779-06-30"^^xsd:date	"1829-01-17"^^xsd:date	:Adam_M%C3%BCller <a href="#">↗</a>
"Adam Müller"@en	"1779-06-30"^^xsd:date	"1829-01-17"^^xsd:date	:Adam_M%C3%BCller <a href="#">↗</a>
"Adolf Christen"@en	"1811-08-07"^^xsd:date	"1883-07-13"^^xsd:date	:Adolf_Christen <a href="#">↗</a>
"Adolf Heinrich von Arnim-Boitzenburg"@en	"1803-04-10"^^xsd:date	"1868-01-08"^^xsd:date	:Adolf_Heinrich_von_Arnim-Boitzenburg <a href="#">↗</a>
"Adolf Otto Reinhold Windaus"@en	"1876-12-25"^^xsd:date	"1959-06-09"^^xsd:date	:Adolf_Otto_Reinhold_Windaus <a href="#">↗</a>



# Summary

- SPARQL is a protocol and query language for RDF data model..
- It designed for open, decentralized Web
- **Select** and **Construct** forms are suitable for querying known endpoint with known vocabularies
- **Describe** is suitable for known IRI and unknown vocabularies, the results is a RDF graph describing the requested resource
- **Ask** discover which SPARQL endpoint could answer the query