

What are the Important Properties of an Entity?

Comparing Users and Knowledge Graph Point of View



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Entities are generally described in knowledge bases with a lot of properties, this is the case for DBpedia. It is, however, difficult to assess which ones are more “important” than others



Motivation

- 1 Question Answering system such as QakisMedia: <http://qakis.org/>
- 2 Second screen application for a TV program: <http://www.linkedtv.eu/demos/linkednews/>
- 3 Data augmentation in business intelligence applications

We assume in our experiments that the properties displayed for an entity are type and context-dependent (country, query, time, etc.) which affect the results

Reverse Engineering the Knowledge Graph

- Get all DBpedia concepts that have at least one instance which is owl:sameAs with a Freebase resource
- Filter out generic concepts by excluding those who are direct subclasses of owl:Thing since they will trigger ambiguous queries

» 352 Concepts

- For each of these concepts, we retrieve 100 instances
- Google does not serve the GKP for all user agents and we had to mimic a browser behavior by setting a browser User Agent
- We use CSS selectors to extract data from a GKP. An example of a query selector is ._om (all elements with class name om -> this returns all the properties)
- If we do not find a GKP in a SERP, we disambiguate the instance by issuing a new query with the concept type attached
- If no GKP was found again, we capture that for manual inspection later on



Greece Instance

Country Concept

Greece, officially the Hellenic Republic and known since ancient times as Hellas, is a country in Southern Europe. According to the 2011 census, Greece's population is around 11 million. Athens is the nation's capital and largest city. [Wikipedia](#)

Capital: Athens Property

Dialing code: +30


Currency: Euro


Continent: Europe


Government: Constitutional republic, Parliamentary system


Official language: Greek Language


Destinations

 Athens

 Santorini

 Rhodes

 Corfu

 Kos

Google's Knowledge Panel (GKP) for Greece

We aggregate the properties captured for all the instances of each concept and expose them with Fresnel and PROV-O ontologies

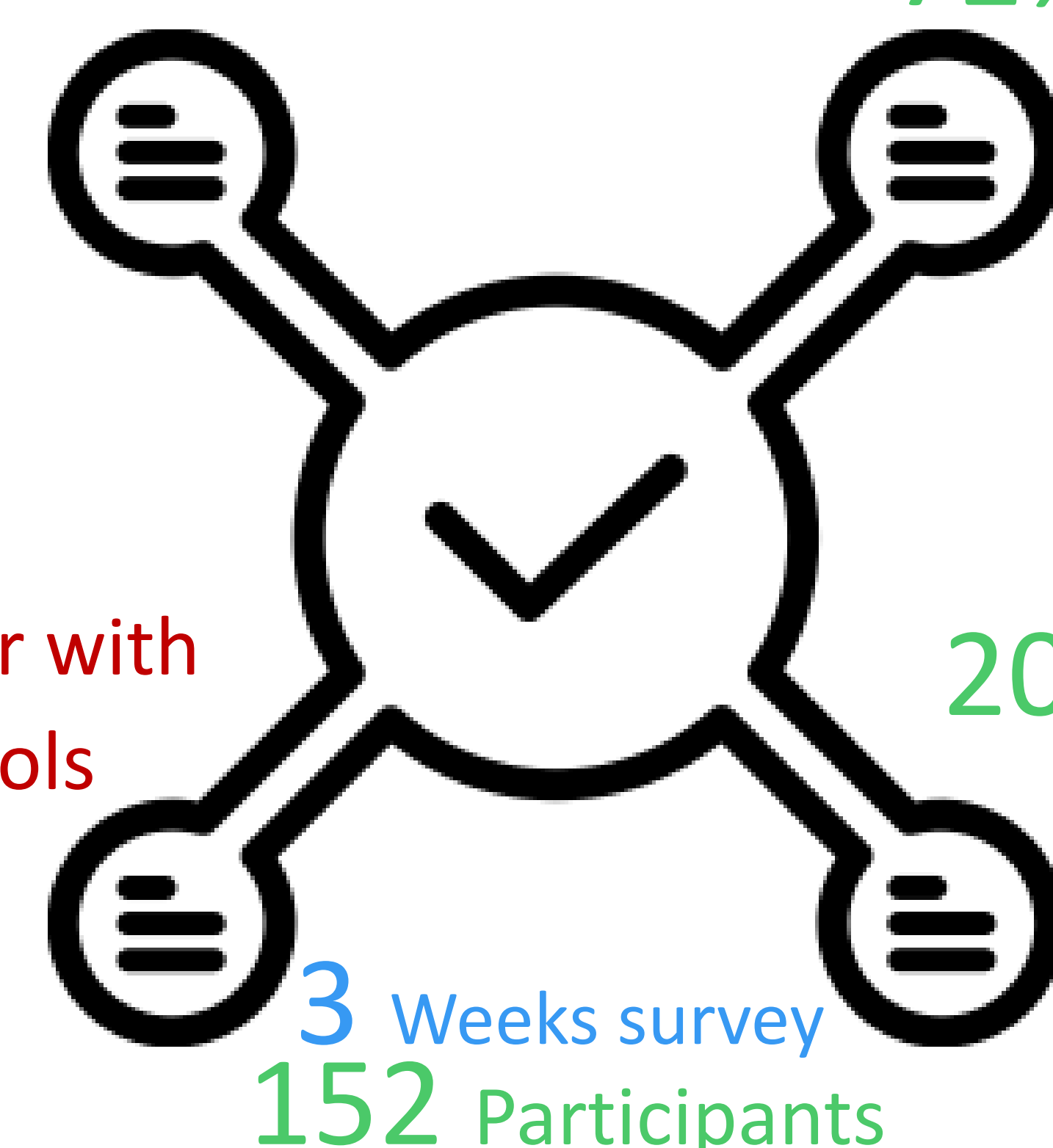
- We empirically define the most important properties when there is an agreement between one of the biggest knowledge base (Google) and users preferences
- We are aware that this knowledge is highly dynamic, the Google Knowledge Graph panel varies across top level countries and time
- We have provided the code that enables to perform new calculation at run time and we aim to study the temporal evolution of what are important properties on a longer period

94% Familiar with Semantic Web

72% From academia

35% not familiar with visualization tools

20% From industry



By analyzing the results of the survey we discovered that concepts like **Book** and **Museum** are pretty stable (in agreement) compared to other concepts like **Person/Agent**
All results are reproducible from our code base at <https://github.com/ahmadassaf/KBE>