

# Knowledge Graphs

## Lecture 3 - Querying RDFS with SPARQL

### 3.3 More Complex SPARQL Queries

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## Lecture 3: Querying RDF(S) with SPARQL

### 3.1 How to Query RDF(S)

Excursion 2: DBpedia Knowledge Graph

Excursion 3: Wikidata Knowledge Graph

### 3.2 Complex Queries with SPARQL

### 3.3 More Complex SPARQL Queries

### 3.4 SPARQL Subqueries and Property Paths

### 3.5 RDF Databases

### 3.6 SPARQL is more than a Query Language

# The Semantic Web Technology Stack (not a piece of cake...)

Most apps use only a subset of the stack

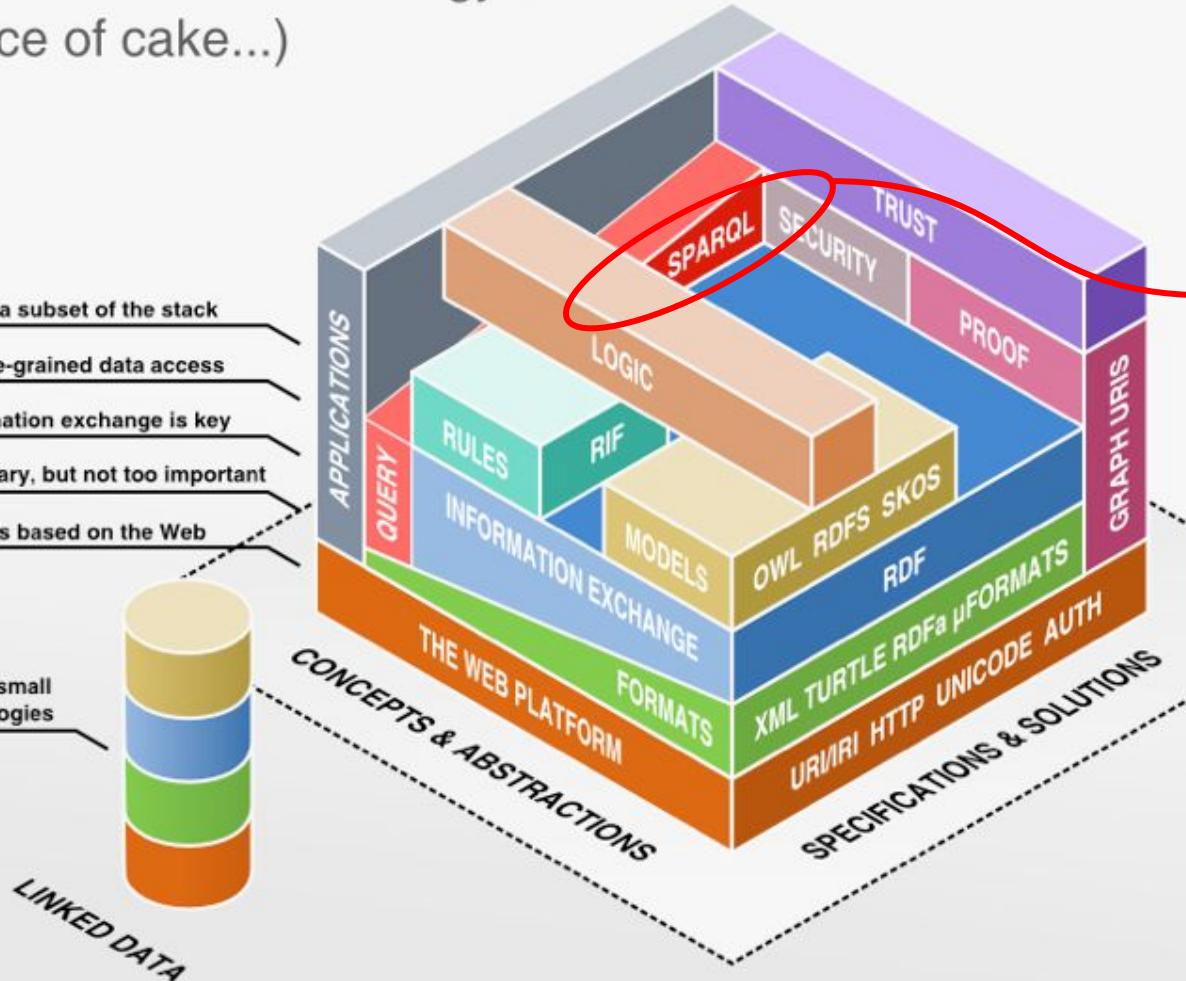
Querying allows fine-grained data access

Standardized information exchange is key

Formats are necessary, but not too important

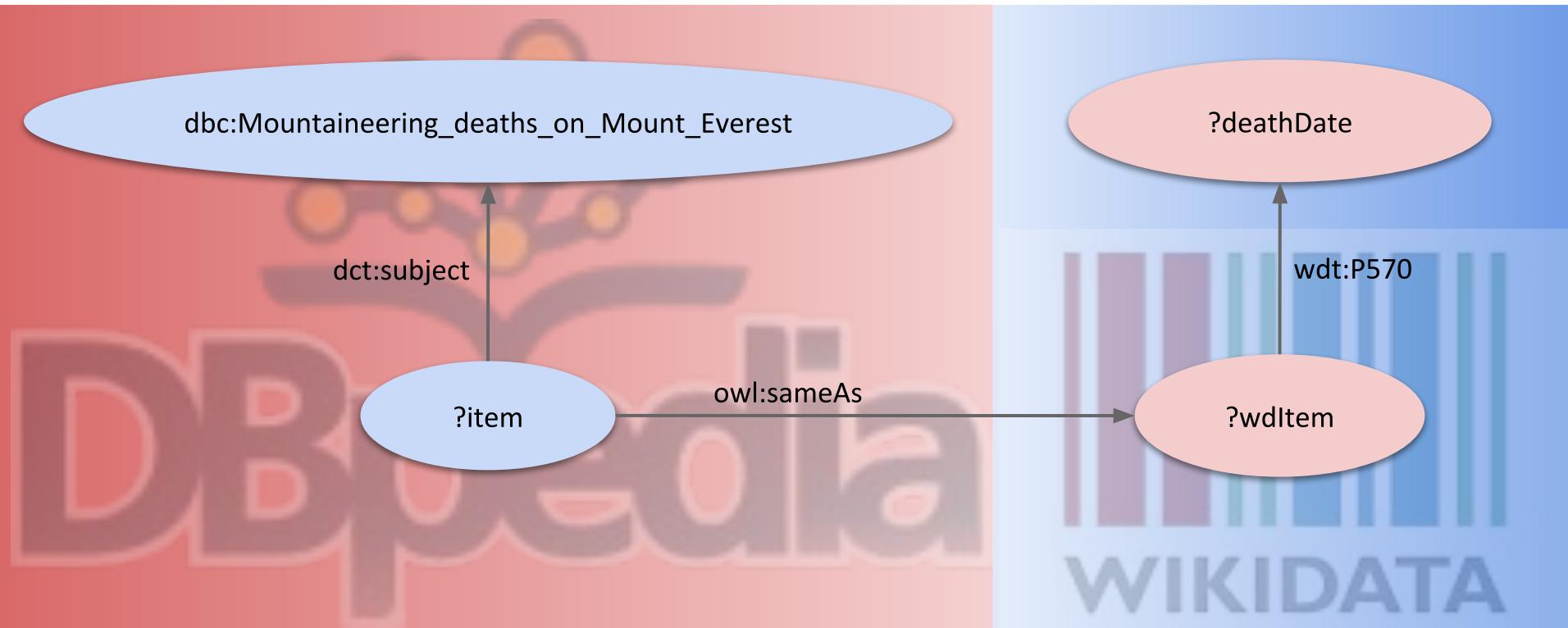
The Semantic Web is based on the Web

Linked Data uses a small selection of technologies



# SPARQL Federated Queries

- Example: which Mountaineers died on Mount Everest ordered by their death date?



# SPARQL Federated Queries

- SPARQL enables federated queries over several RDF datasets or SPARQL endpoints via the **SERVICE** objective

```

PREFIX dct: <http://purl.org/dc/terms/>
PREFIX dbc: <http://dbpedia.org/resource/Category:>
PREFIX wdt: <http://www.wikidata.org/prop/direct/>
PREFIX owl: <http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#>

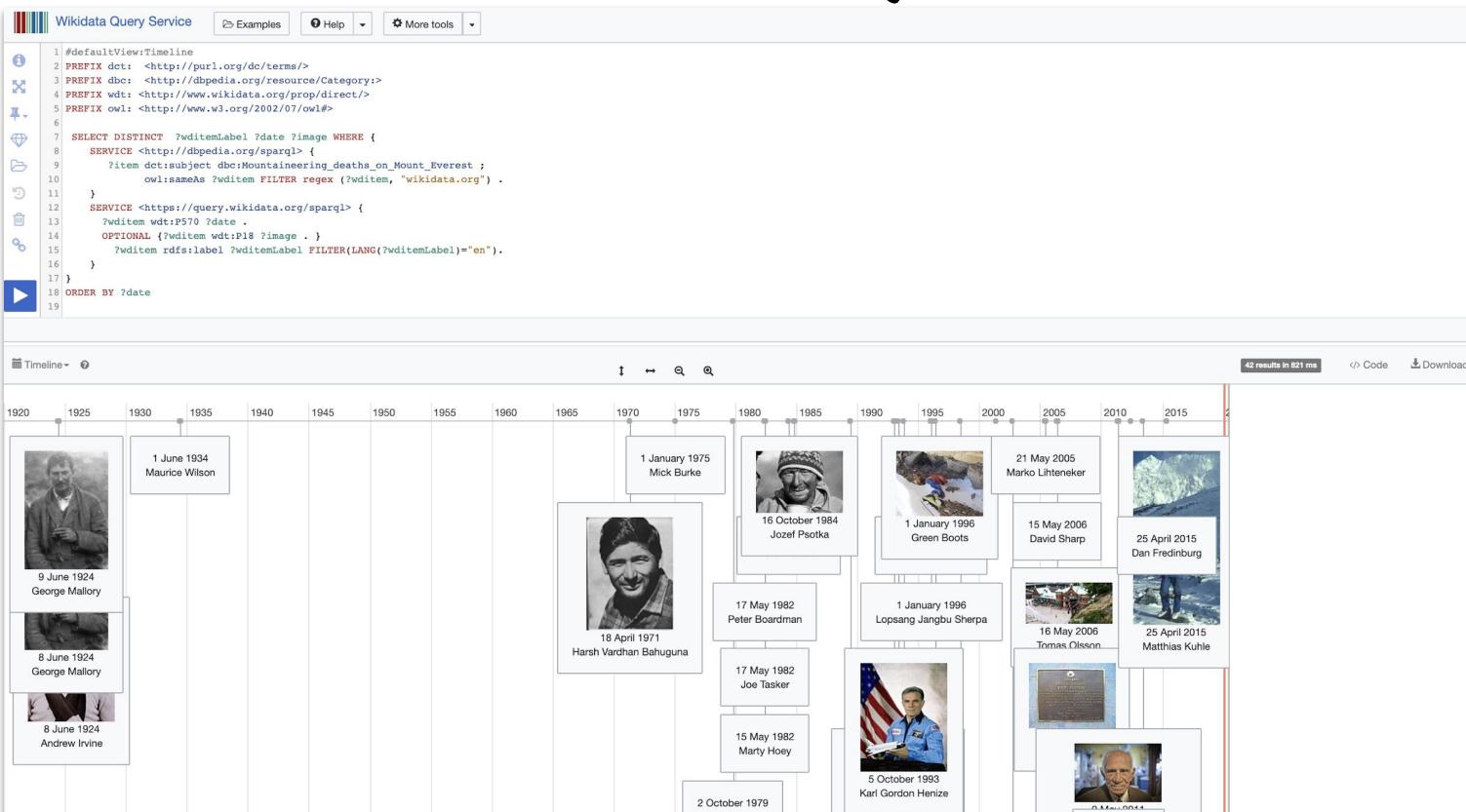
SELECT DISTINCT ?wditemLabel ?date WHERE {
    SERVICE <http://dbpedia.org/sparql> {
        ?item dct:subject dbc:Mountaineering_deaths_on_Mount_Everest ;
               owl:sameAs ?wditem FILTER regex (?wditem, "wikidata.org") .
    }
    SERVICE <https://query.wikidata.org/sparql>{
        ?wditem wdt:P570 ?date .
        OPTIONAL {?wditem wdt:P18 ?image .}
        ?wditem rdfs:label ?wditemLabel FILTER (LANG(?wditemLabel)="en") .
    }
}
ORDER BY ?date
  
```



- Example: connect the DBpedia with Wikidata "which Mountaineers died on Mount Everest ordered by their death date?"
- only possible, if SPARQL endpoints permit federation

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- which Mountaineers died on Mount Everest ordered by their death date?


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# SPARQL Variable Assignment

- Example: Select authors with their notable works and date of publication ordered by year



```

PREFIX wd: <http://www.wikidata.org/entity/>
PREFIX wdt: <http://www.wikidata.org/prop/direct/>
PREFIX wikibase: <http://wikiba.se/ontology#>
PREFIX bd: <http://www.bigdata.com/rdf#>
```

```

SELECT ?authorLabel ?bookLabel ?book ?author ?year
WHERE {
    ?author wdt:P106 wd:Q36180 ;
            wdt:P800 ?book .
    ?book   wdt:P577 ?date .
    BIND (YEAR(?date) AS ?year) FILTER (BOUND(?year))
    SERVICE wikibase:label { bd:serviceParam wikibase:language "en" }
} ORDER BY ?year
```

Binding a new variable


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- Example: Select authors with their notable works and date of publication ordered by year

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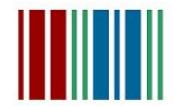
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7 SELECT ?authorLabel ?bookLabel ?book ?author ?year
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13   SERVICE wikibase:label { bd:serviceParam wikibase:language "en" }
14 } ORDER BY ?year
15

```

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authorLabel	bookLabel	book	author	year
Hesiod	Theogony	Q wd:Q156498	Q wd:Q44233	-700
Antimachus of Teos	Epigoni (epic)	Q wd:Q2067424	Q wd:Q577773	-600
Euclid	Elements	Q wd:Q172891	Q wd:Q8747	-300
Cato the Elder	De Agri Cultura	Q wd:Q1180565	Q wd:Q180081	-160
Cicero	De re publica	Q wd:Q656161	Q wd:Q1541	-52
Cicero	De Officiis	Q wd:Q1180721	Q wd:Q1541	-43
Sappho	Ode to Aphrodite	Q wd:Q21070481	Q wd:Q17892	-5
Titus Livius	Ab urbe condita libri	Q wd:Q1155892	Q wd:Q2039	10
Seneca	De Vita Beata	Q wd:Q1180753	Q wd:Q2054	58
Pliny the Elder	Natural History	Q wd:Q442	Q wd:Q82778	74
Ovistius Catinus Rufinus	Historiae de Alexander the Great	Q wd:Q27960221	Q wd:Q5050	100


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# SPARQL Aggregate Functions

- Example: How many authors are there and how many notable works?



aggregate  
functions

```

PREFIX wd: <http://www.wikidata.org/entity/>
PREFIX wdt: <http://www.wikidata.org/prop/direct/>
PREFIX wikibase: <http://wikiba.se/ontology#>
PREFIX bd: <http://www.bigdata.com/rdf#>

SELECT (COUNT(?book) AS ?bookcount)
       (COUNT(DISTINCT(?author)) AS ?authorcount)
WHERE {
    ?author wdt:P106 wd:Q36180 ;
            wdt:P800 ?book .
    SERVICE wikibase:label { bd:serviceParam wikibase:language "en" }
}
  
```

- COUNT** is a SPARQL aggregate function which counts the number of times a given expression has a bound
- More aggregate functions:
  - SUM**
  - AVG**
  - MIN / MAX**
  - SAMPLE**

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5 PREFIX bds: <http://www.bigdata.com/rdf#>
6
7 SELECT (COUNT(?book) AS ?bookcount) (COUNT(DISTINCT(?author)) AS ?authorcount)
8 WHERE {
9   ?author wdt:P106 wd:Q36180 ;
10   wdt:P800 ?book .
11   SERVICE wikibase:label { bd:serviceParam wikibase:language "en" }
12 }
13

```



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bookcount	authorcount
12690	6975



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# SPARQL Aggregate Functions

- Example: which author wrote how many notable works?

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WHERE {
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  SERVICE wikibase:label { bd:serviceParam wikibase:language "en" }
} GROUP BY ?authorLabel
ORDER BY DESC (?bookcount)
  
```

aggregate function

- The solution can be divided into groups via **GROUP BY**
- The aggregate function then is calculated for each group



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12 } GROUP BY ?authorLabel
13 ORDER BY DESC (?bookcount)
14
  
```



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authorLabel	bookcount
Thomas Mann	57
Enid Blyton	55
Marion Zimmer Bradley	46
Elmore Leonard	46
Karel Čapek	36
Stephen King	36
Kenji Miyazawa	36
Henry Wadsworth Longfellow	34
Noam Chomsky	34
Heinrich Böll	31
Beverly Cleary	29
Boris Vian	28
Beatrix Potter	26
Judy Blume	25


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# SPARQL Aggregate Functions

- SPARQL 1.1 provides more aggregate functions
  - SUM
  - AVG
  - MIN
  - MAX
  - SAMPLE – „pick“ one non-deterministically
  - GROUP\_CONCAT – concatenate values with a designated string separator

# SPARQL Subqueries And Property Paths

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