

# Applications of Microtasks & Final Remarks

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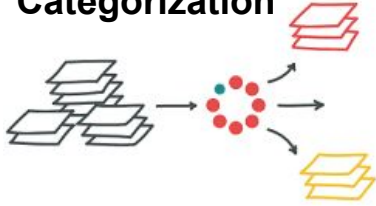


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# Applications of Microtask Crowdsourcing

## Classification and Categorization



## Finding Metadata



## Ranking



## Promoting



## Data Collection and Enhancement



## Sentiment Analysis



Negative



Neutral



Positive

## Media Transcription



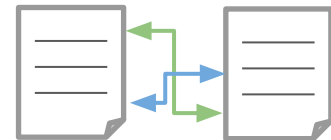
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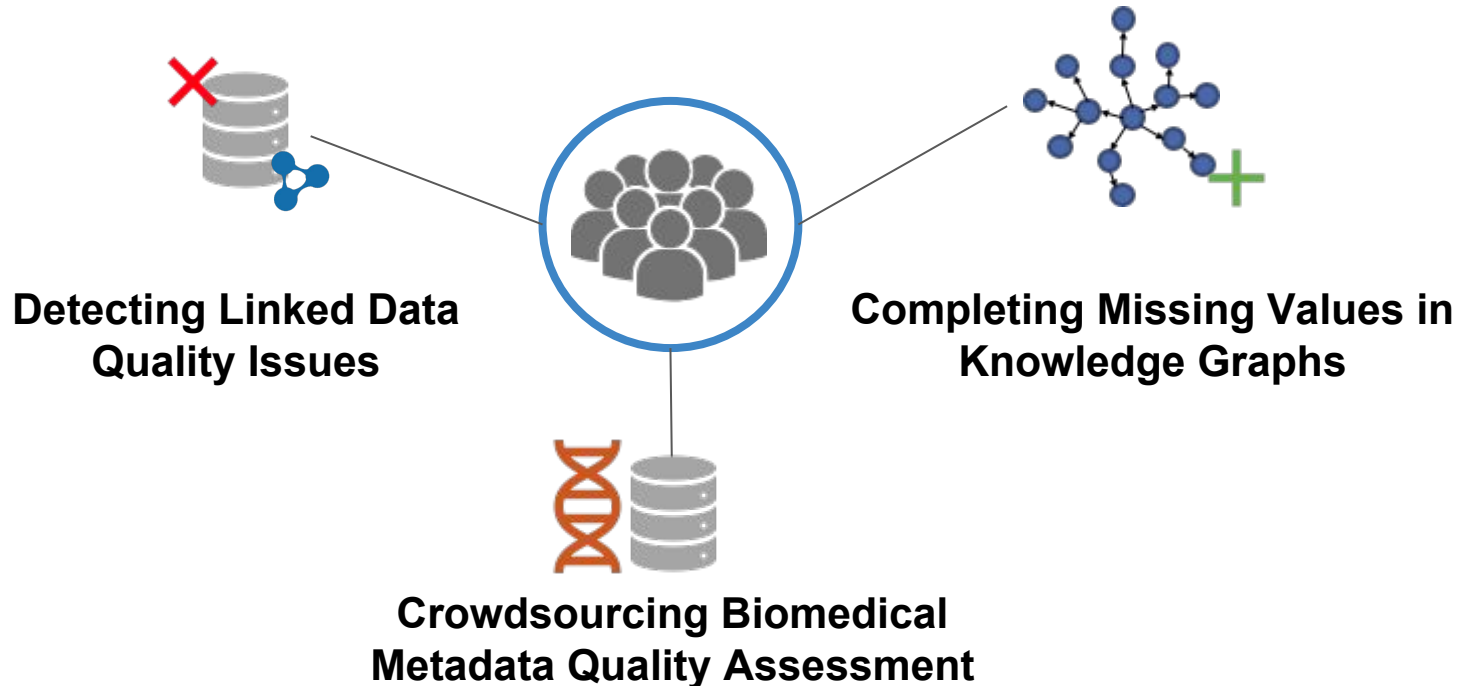
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## Content Verification



# Examples of Crowdsourcing Applications in Data Science



# Outline

1. **Detecting Linked Data Quality Issues**
2. Completing Missing Values in Knowledge Graphs
3. Crowdsourcing Biomedical Metadata Quality Assessment
4. Other Applications (Open Discussion)
5. Final Remarks

# The DBpedia Knowledge Graph



Semi-structured  
data from  
Wikipedia

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Karlsruhe>



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  - Brezhoneg
  - Català
  - Čeština
  - Cymraeg
  - Deutsch

Article Talk

**Karlsruhe**

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Coordinates: 49°00′33″N 8°24′14″E﻿ / ﻿

For other uses, see Karlsruhe (disambiguation).

This article may be expanded with text translated from the corresponding article in the German Wikipedia. (September 2012)

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**Karlsruhe** (German pronunciation: [ˈkaʁlsˌʁuː]; formerly **Carlsruhe**) is the second-largest city in the state of Baden-Württemberg, in southwest Germany, near the Franco-German border. It has a population of 296,033. Karlsruhe Palace was built in 1715 and the city is now the seat of two of the highest courts in Germany, the Federal Constitutional Court and the Federal Court of Justice.[2][3]

It has been speculated that Karlsruhe was a model for Washington, D.C. as both cities have a centre from which the streets radiate outward.[4]

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City of Karlsruhe  
Karlsruhe



View over Karlsruhe



Flag



Coat of arms

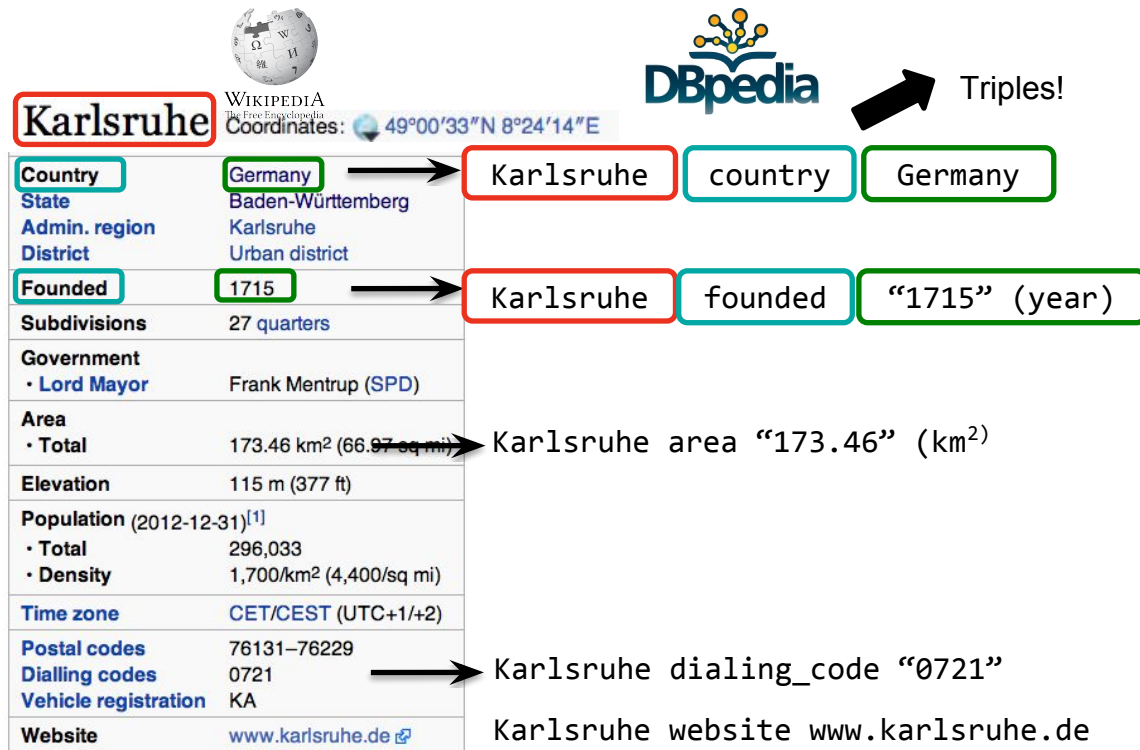


City of Karlsruhe

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<b>Country</b>	Germany
<b>State</b>	Baden-Württemberg
<b>Admin. region</b>	Karlsruhe
<b>District</b>	Urban district
<b>Founded</b>	1715
<b>Subdivisions</b>	27 quarters
<b>Government</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Lord Mayor</b></li></ul>	Frank Mentrup (SPD)
<b>Area</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Total</b></li></ul>	173.46 km <sup>2</sup>

# The DBpedia Knowledge Graph



# Quality Issues to Crowdsource

Three categories of quality problems occur in DBpedia [Zaveri2013] and can be crowdsourced:

- **Incorrect object**

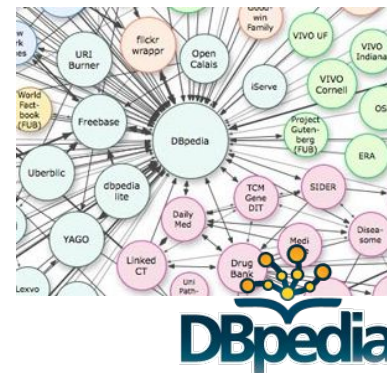
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- **Incorrect data type or language tags**

dbr:Torishima\_Izu\_Islands foaf:name “鳥島”@en .

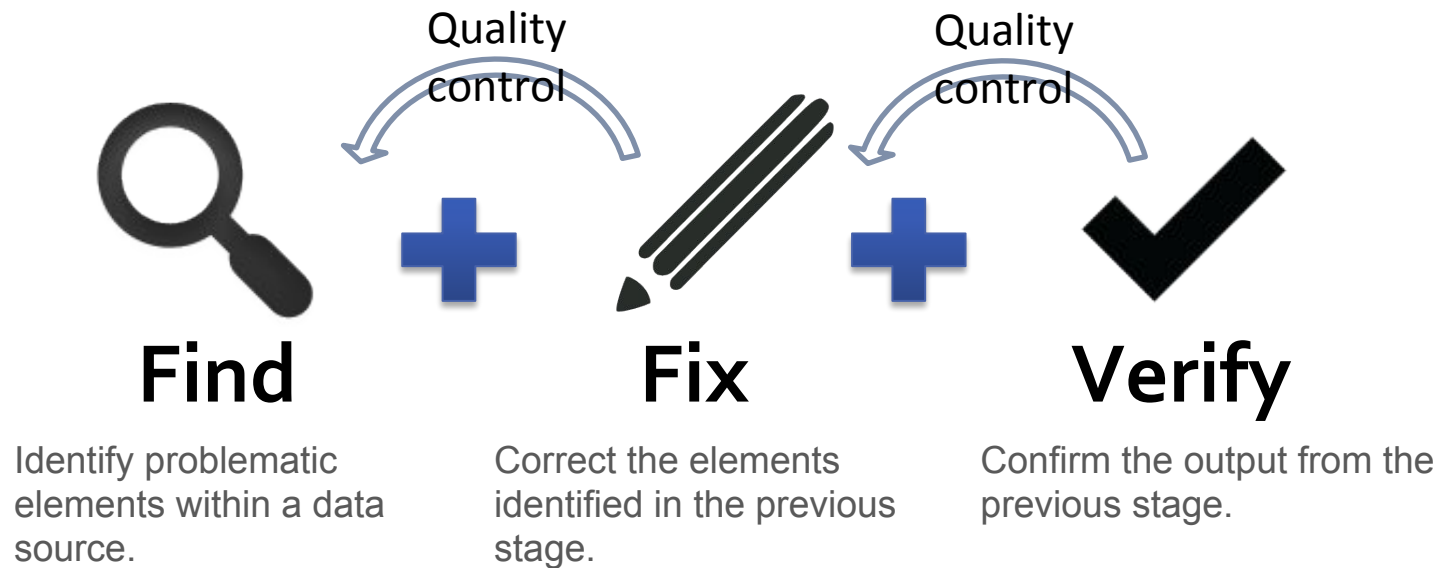
- **Incorrect link to “external Web pages”**

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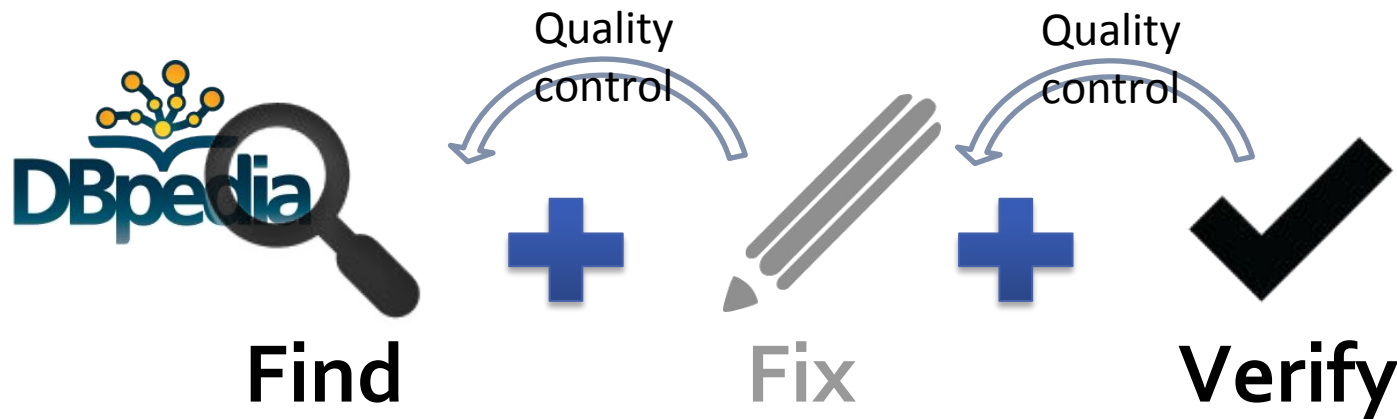
# Crowdsourcing Approach

## Find-Fix-Verify Pattern [Bernstein2010]





# Applying Find-Fix-Verify to our Case Study: DBpedia-DQ



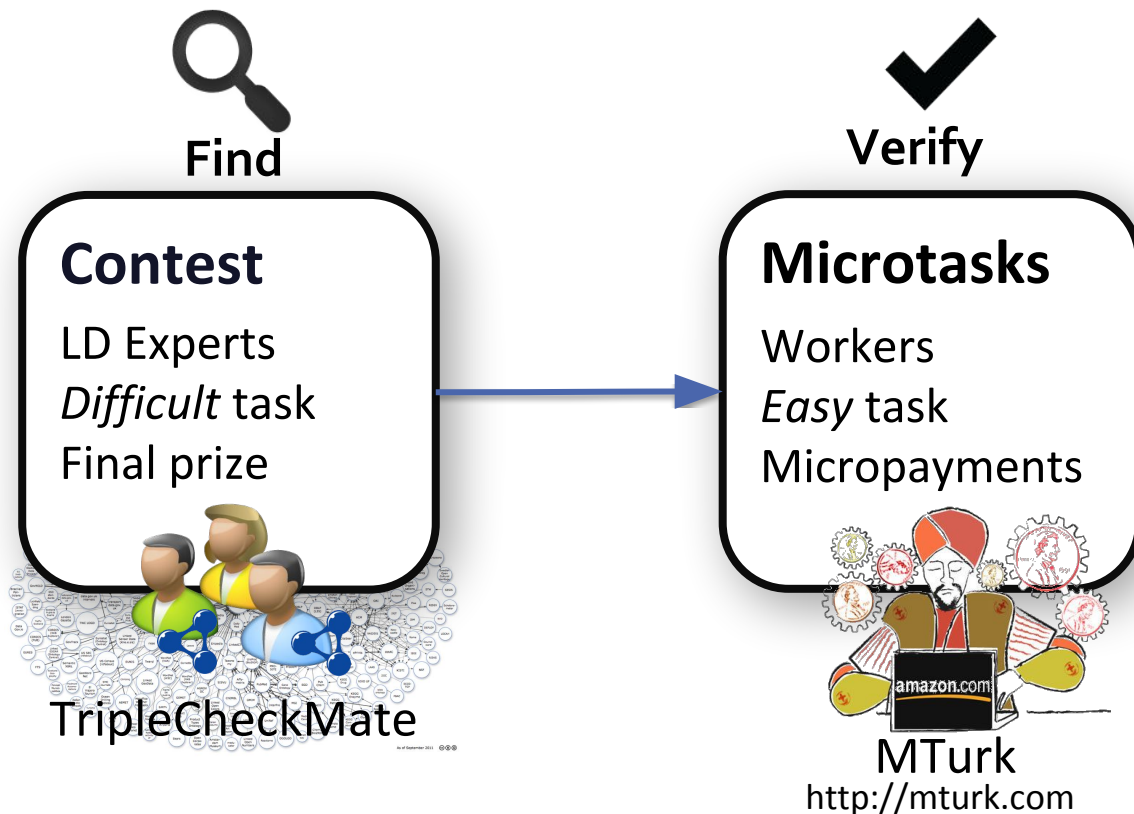
Identify erroneous triples and classify them according to the error found.

Confirm the output from the previous stage.

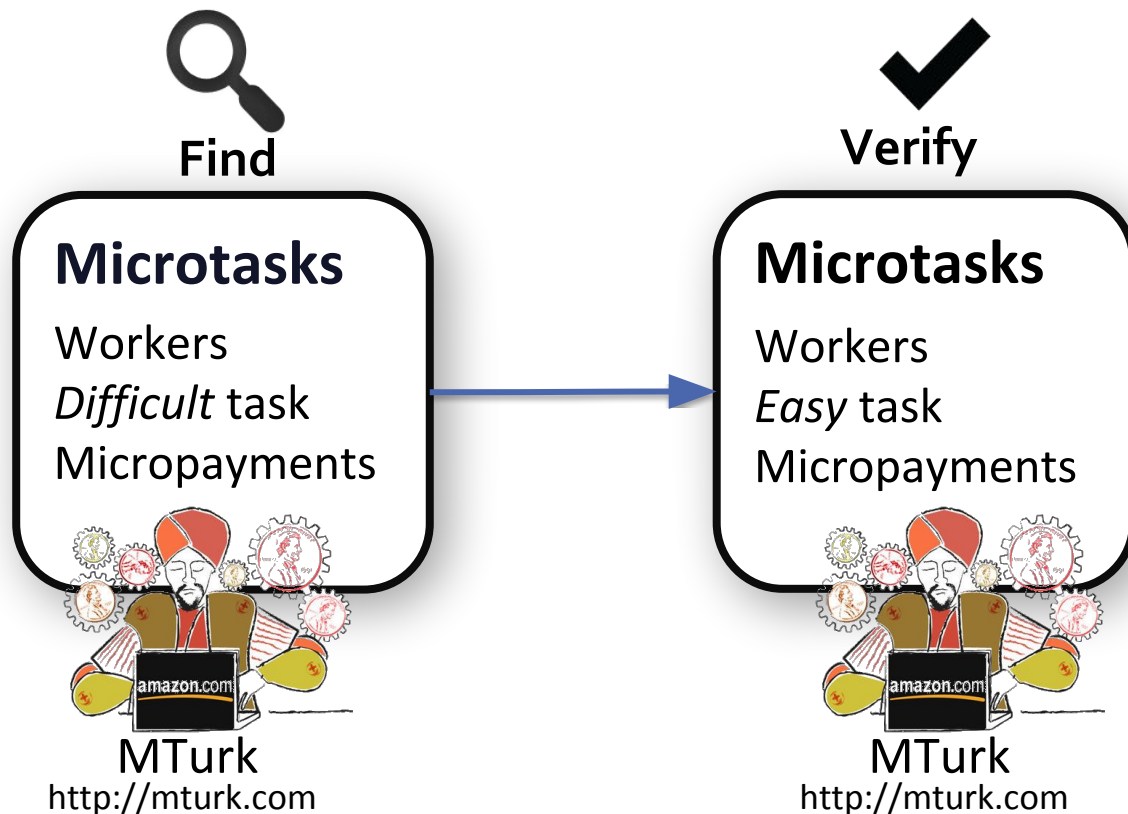
DBpedia-DQ has two variants:

1. Combining experts + non-experts crowds (workers)
2. Using non-experts crowds (workers) in both stages

# Combining Experts + Workers (EW)



# Combining Workers + Workers (WW)



# DBpedia-DQ Microtask Interfaces

## Find stage with workers: MTurk Tasks

### Microtask settings:

- Max. 30 questions per microtask
- Payment: 0.06 US\$ per microtask (Nov. 2014)

About: **Alexandria**

[GO TO WIKIPEDIA ARTICLE: Alexandria](#)

		Type of Errors
Mar record low C: <i>Not specified</i>	Mar record low C: 2 Data type: Integer	<input type="checkbox"/> Value <input type="checkbox"/> Data type <input type="checkbox"/> Link
Dec record high C: <i>Not specified</i>	Dec record high C: 29 Data type: Integer	<input type="checkbox"/> Value <input type="checkbox"/> Data type <input type="checkbox"/> Link
Nov record low C: <i>Not specified</i>	Nov record low C: 1 Data type: Integer	<input type="checkbox"/> Value <input type="checkbox"/> Data type <input type="checkbox"/> Link
Mar rain days: <i>Not specified</i>	Mar rain days: 6 Data type: Integer	<input type="checkbox"/> Value <input type="checkbox"/> Data type <input type="checkbox"/> Link
single line: <i>Not specified</i>	single line: yes Data type: English	<input type="checkbox"/> Value <input type="checkbox"/> Data type <input type="checkbox"/> Link
Aug record low C: <i>Not specified</i>	Aug record low C: 18 Data type: Integer	<input type="checkbox"/> Value <input type="checkbox"/> Data type <input type="checkbox"/> Link

# DBpedia-DQ Microtask Interfaces

## Verify stage with workers: MTurk Tasks



### Microtask settings:

- 5 questions per microtask
- Payment: 0.04 US\$ per microtask (Feb. 2013)

dbr:Dave\_Dobbyn dbp:dateOfBirth “3” .

Incorrect object

“Dave Dobbyn”

Date of birth:

dbr:Torishima\_Izu\_Islands foaf:name “鳥島”@en .

Incorrect data type

About:

**Kyoto University**

Given the property “name”, is the value “京都大?” of type “english”?



dbr:John-Two-Hawks dbo:wikiPageExternalLink  
<<http://cedarlakedvd.com>>.

Incorrect outlink

About:

**John Two-Hawks**

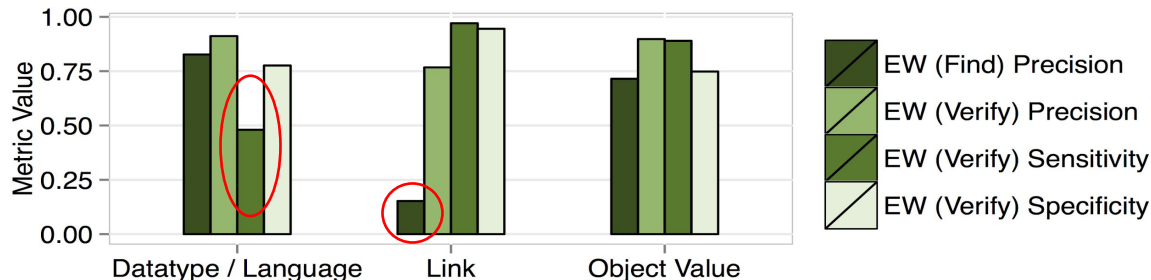
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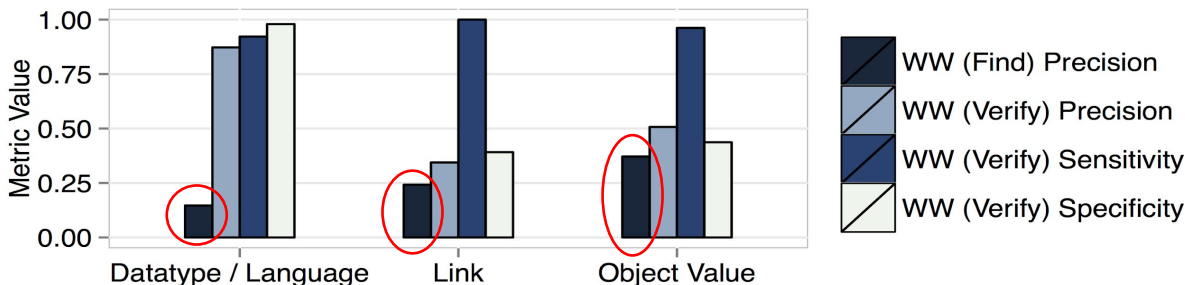
Relax and enjoy soothing original music blended with stirring nature videos

# DBpedia-DQ: Experimental Results



## Main findings:

- It is difficult for the workers to assess datatypes
- Experts are not good in assessing external links
- Two-step validation increases the overall quality



## Main findings:

- It is difficult for the workers to execute the find stage
- Workers are exceptionally good at identifying incorrect triples (high sensitivity)

# Experimental Results:

## Crowd-based vs. Automatic Data Quality Assessment

### Main finding:



Humans (experts and workers) detected quality issues  
that were not detected via RDFUnit (automatic tool)  
and vice versa.

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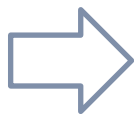
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# Missing Values in Knowledge Graphs (1)

*Retrieve drugs that are annotated with the prefix “C01” (Cardiac Therapy) in the Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical (ATC) classification system and which have known routes of administration.*

```
SELECT DISTINCT ?drug WHERE {  
  ?drug rdf:type dbo:Drug .  
  ?drug dbo:atcPrefix “C01” .  
  ?drug dbp:routesOfAdministration ?route .  
}
```

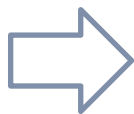


47 drugs

# Missing Values in Knowledge Graphs (2)

*Retrieve drugs that are annotated with the prefix “C01” (Cardiac Therapy) in the Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical (ATC) classification system ~~and which have known routes of administration.~~*

```
SELECT DISTINCT ?drug WHERE {  
  ?drug rdf:type dbo:Drug .  
  ?drug dbo:atcPrefix “C01” .  
  ?drug dbp:routesOfAdministration ?route .  
}
```

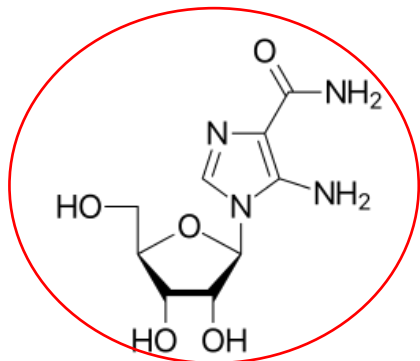


98 drugs

(There are 48 drugs without routes of administration)

# Missing Values in Knowledge Graphs (3)

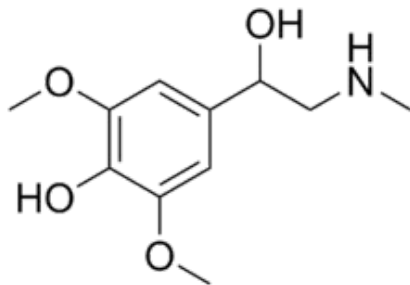
Examples of drugs (with ATC prefix “C01”) with no route as of administration in



*dbr:Acadesine*

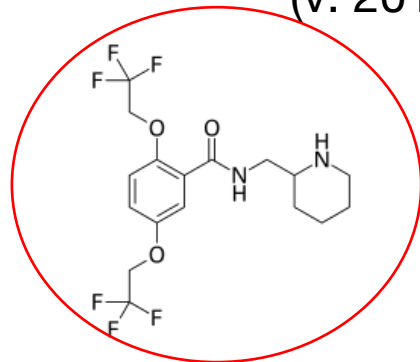
Intravenous administration, for treating leukemia.  
Source: PubChem

Also used in doping (sports).  
Source: PubMed



*dbr:Dimetofrine*

No route found.



*dbr:Flecainide*

Oral administration,  
Source: DrugBank

# Our Approach:

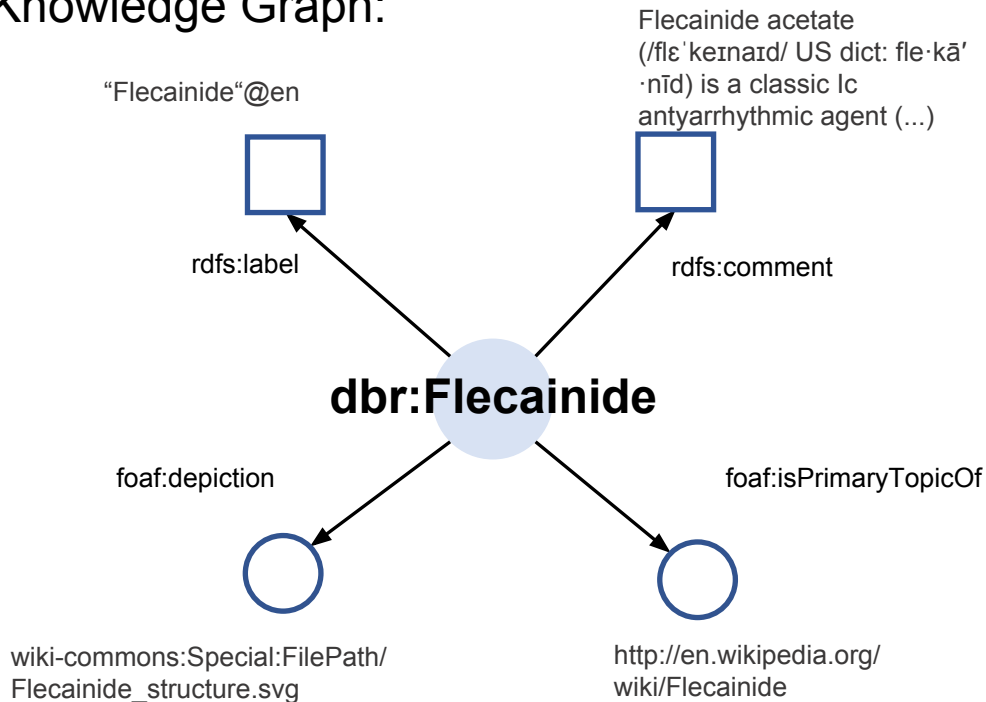
## HARE - Hybrid SPARQL Query Engine

- A hybrid **machine/human SPARQL query engine** that is able to enhance the size of query answers.
- Based on a novel RDF completeness model, HARE implements querying techniques able to **detect missing values in knowledge graphs on-the-fly**
- Resorts to microtask **crowdsourcing** to resolve missing values:
  - The HARE **microtask manager** generates task interfaces automatically
  - HARE exploits the **semantics of resources** in knowledge graphs to generate task interfaces



# HARE Microtask Manager

## Knowledge Graph:

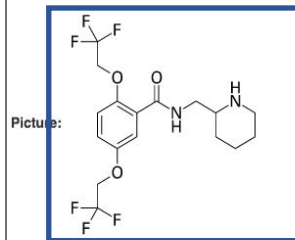


Does **Flecainide** have a routes of administration?

[Search in Google: Flecainide](#)

**Short description:** Flecaínide acetate (/fle'keɪnaɪd/ US dict: fle·kā'·nīd) is a class Ic antiarrhythmic agent used to prevent and treat tachyarrhythmias (abnormal fast rhythms of the heart). It is used to treat a variety of cardiac arrhythmias including paroxysmal atrial fibrillation (episodic irregular heartbeat originating in the upper chamber of the heart), paroxysmal supraventricular tachycardia (episodic rapid but regular heartbeat originating in the atrium), and ventricular tachycardia (rapid rhythms of the lower chambers of the heart). Flecaínide works by regulating the flow of sodium in the heart, causing prolongation of the cardiac action potential. Flecaínide is sold under the trade name Tambocor (manufactured by 3M pharmaceuticals). Flecaínide went off-patent on February 10, 2004. In addition to being marketed as Tambocor, it is also available in generic version and under the trade names Almarytm, Apocard, Ecrinal, and Flécaïne.

**Wikipedia page:** <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flecainide>



Does **Flecainide** have a routes of administration? (required)

Choose one answer:

- ☐ Yes  
☐ No  
☐ I don't know

# HARE: Experimental Results

## Simple Task Interface: HARE-BL

### What is the ICD of Carotid artery dissection?

Does Carotid artery dissection have a ICD?

Choose one answer (required)

- ☐ Yes  
☐ No  
☐ I don't know

Familiarity with the topic (required)

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Not familiar	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Very familiar

#### Microtask settings:

- Four questions per microtask
- Payment: 0.07 US\$ per microtask (Sep. 2015)

## “Enriched” Task Interface: HARE

### What is the ICD of Carotid artery dissection?

[Search in Google: Carotid artery dissection](#)

**Short description:** Carotid artery dissection is a separation of the layers of the artery wall supplying oxygen-bearing blood to the head and brain, and is the most common cause of stroke in young adults. (In vascular medicine, dissection is a blister-like delamination between the outer and inner walls of a vessel, generally originating with a partial leak in the inner lining.)

**Wikipedia page:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Carotid\\_artery\\_dissection](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Carotid_artery_dissection)

Picture:



Does Carotid artery dissection have a ICD?

Choose one answer

- ☐ Yes  
☐ No  
☐ I don't know

Familiarity with the topic

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Not familiar	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Very familiar

# Quality of Crowd Answers: Precision

Query	Sports		Music		Life Sciences		Movies		History	
	HARE-BL	HARE	HARE-BL	HARE	HARE-BL	HARE	HARE-BL	HARE	HARE-BL	HARE
Q1	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.50	0.34	1.00	N/A	1.00
Q2	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.64	0.96	1.00	1.00
Q3	0.33	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.53	1.00	0.75	0.75
Q4	0.13	0.55	0.50	0.50	0.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.63	0.77
Q5	0.80	1.00	N/A	0.57	0.18	1.00	0.50	0.80	0.77	0.95
Q6	0.60	0.69	0.50	0.60	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.78	0.93
Q7	0.67	1.00	N/A	0.48	0.54	0.75	0.89	1.00	0.71	0.63
Q8	0.50	0.92	0.43	0.39	0.71	0.87	0.87	1.00	0.33	0.93
Q9	0.30	0.50	0.92	0.36	0.54	1.00	0.58	1.00	0.72	0.54
Q10	0.40	0.91	0.39	0.52	0.70	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.48	0.95
Mean	0.49	0.83	0.66 <sup>†</sup>	0.62 <sup>†</sup>	0.65	0.89	0.69	0.97	0.66 <sup>†</sup>	0.81 <sup>†</sup>

The precision of the crowd answers is in general higher when crowdsourcing semantically enriched tasks.


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# Crowdsourcing Biomedical Data Quality Assessment

Hypothesis:

 Crowdsourcing i.e. *non-expert workers* can be used to curate large-scale digital biomedical data on the Web.



# Use Case -- Gene Expression Metadata Quality Issues

  
Gene Expression Omnibus

HOME | SEARCH | SITE MAP | GEO

NCBI > GEO > Accession Display ?

GEO help: Mouse over screen elements for information.

Scope: Self | Format: HTML | Amount: Quick | GEO accession: GSM550321 | GO

**Sample GSM550321** [Query DataSets for GSM550321](#)

Status	Public on Aug 11, 2010
Title	WB-H-2863
Sample type	RNA
Source name	Human whole blood
Organism	<a href="#">Homo sapiens</a>
Characteristics	age: 28 gender: Female ethnicity: Caucasian healthy control: Still
Extracted molecule	total RNA
Extraction protocol	Ambion Temput Isolation kit
Label	biotin
Label protocol	Biotynlated cRNA were generated following manufacturer protocols using the Illumina TotalPrep Amplification kit from Ambion

# Key Crowdsourcing GEO Metadata Keys -- Microtask

**Term:** incubation time (hours)

Values: 0



## Which category does this term belong to?

- ☐ Cell line: A cell line is a collection of genetically identical cells.
- ☐ Disease: Disease is the outward manifestation of one or more disorders.
- ☐ Gender/sex: Sex is the quality of a biological organism based on reproductive function or organs.
- ☐ Genotype: A genotype is a functional specification of a biological entity in terms of its genetic composition (or lack thereof).
- ☐ Strain: A strain is a genetic variant or kind of microorganism.
- ☐ Time related: associated with a time point, interval, stage or duration.
- ☐ Tissue: A tissue is a mereologically maximal collection of cells that together perform some function.
- ☐ Treatment: A process whose completion is hypothesized (by a healthcare provider) to alleviate the signs and symptoms associated with a disorder.
- ☒ Don't know/I cannot tell

## Please choose one of the reasons below.

- ☐ The term is ambiguous.
- ☐ There is not enough information provided to choose the right category.
- ☐ I do not understand the examples.
- ☐ Does not fit into any category.
- ☐ I am not sure.

5ct per judgment

# Crowdsourcing GEO Metadata Keys -- Results

No. of microtasks (keys)	1643 rows
Total no. of workers	145
Total no. of judgments	7835
Overall accuracy	0.934
No. of gold standard questions	60
Accuracy on gold standard questions	0.930
Agreement (%)	94.42
Average confidence for workers	0.918
Total cost	451\$
Total time	1 hour
Interquartile mean task time by trusted and untrusted contributors	3m 29s, 7m 43s

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# Other Applications

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# Final Remarks

- Main assumption for applying microtask crowdsourcing: the problem can be **divided** into microtasks
- Exploiting the right **incentives** for increasing the quality of crowd answers:
  - Monetary rewards are not the only incentives for the crowd
  - Altruism and fun can be other incentives in microtask crowdsourcing
- Combining **machine-human solutions** produce high quality results
- Consider **ethical conditions**: we are working with **people**



# Feedback Please !

<https://bit.ly/2Hh xv Yi>