

Ontology-based Access to Streaming Data

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Abstract. The availability of streaming data sources is progressively increasing thanks to the deployment of ubiquitous data capturing technologies such as sensor networks. We present an ontology-based streaming data access service, based on extensions to the R₂O mapping language and its query processor ODEMapster, and to the C-SPARQL RDF stream query language. A preliminary implementation of the approach is also presented. With this proposal we expect to set the basis for future efforts in ontology-based streaming data integration.

1 Ontology-based Streaming Data Access

Our approach consists in creating an Ontology-based Streaming Data Access service, depicted in Fig 1. The service receives SPARQL_{STR} queries specified in terms of an ontology. Then the original query is transformed into queries in terms of the sources (*query canonisation*), using a set of S₂O mappings. These are based on the R₂O mapping language, which has been extended to support streaming queries and data, most notably window and stream operators. The transformed queries are written in a continuous query language (e.g. SNEEql), that is expressive enough to deal with both streaming and stored sources, and to apply window, aggregates and window-to-stream operations.

Afterwards, the query processing phase starts to extract the relevant data from the sources and perform the required operations. The result of the query processing will be a set of tuples that will be passed to a *data decanonisation* process, which will transform these tuples to ontology instances.

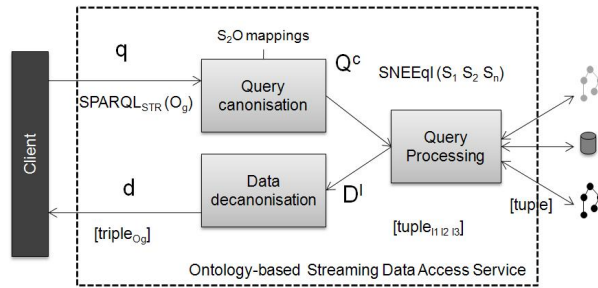


Fig. 1. Ontology-based Streaming Data Access service

2 Implementation

This approach has been implemented as an extension to the ODEMapster processor [2]. This implementation generates queries that can be executed by the SNEE streaming query processor using the SNEEql query language [3].

In the example, consider a stream **windsamples** and a table **sensors**, and the S₂O mapping to a *WindSpeedMeasurement* concept:

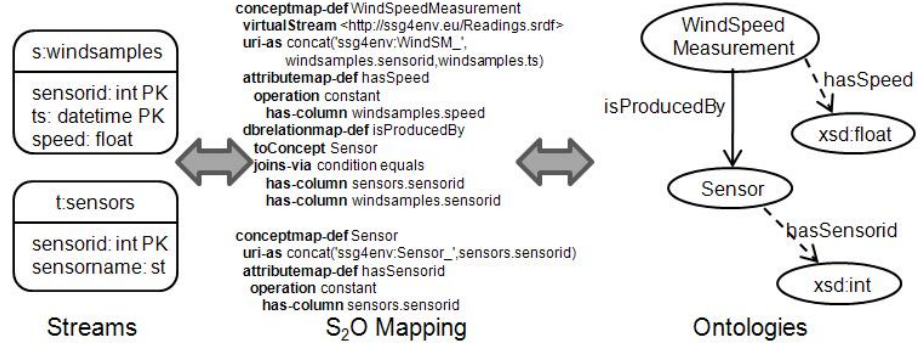


Fig. 2. S₂O mapping from stream to ontologies

Now we can pose a query over the ontology using SPARQL_{STR} for example to obtain the wind speed measurements taken in the last 10 minutes:

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PREFIX fire: <http://www.ssg4env.eu#>
PREFIX rdf: <http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#>
SELECT ?speed
FROM STREAM <www.ssg4env.eu/SensorReadings.srdf> [RANGE 10 MINUTE STEP 1 MINUTE]
WHERE { ?WindSpeed a fire:WindSpeedMeasurement; fire:hasSpeed ?speed; }
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The query atoms *WindSpeedMeasurement(x)* and *hasSpeed(x, z)* can be extracted from the SPARQL_{STR} query. The window specification is also obtained. As it is defined in the S₂O mapping the *WindSpeedMeasurement* instances are generated based on the **sensorid** and **ts** attributes of the **windsamples** stream. Similarly the S₂O mapping defines that *hasSpeed* properties are generated from the values of the speed attribute of the **windsamples** stream. The query generated in the SNEEql language is the following:

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SELECT RSTREAM concat('http://ssg4env.eu#WindSM', windsensor.id, windsensor.ts )
as id ,( windsamples.speed ) as speed
FROM windsamples[FROM NOW - 10 MINUTE]
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