# Group A3D: SPARQL queries and Analytics

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# **TASK**

Provide at least 8 SPARQL queries over your RDF datasets. You may also perform advanced data analytics to uncover interesting insights from your datasets. Please submit a PDF that includes the SPARQL queries along with relevant plots or tables summarizing your analytics. For each query, provide a description that explains its purpose and overall objective.

## Query 1 - papersNobelTopicsYear

This query shows the topics present in both Nobel motivations and paper abstracts. For a given year, it returns the number of paper in which these topics appear. This query can be used to find correlations between Nobel Prize topics and research papers.

For instance, running this query for the year 2004 shows that the topic "protein" appeared in 28 papers. Hence, we could say that in 2004 chemistry was the main research field (considering the limited number of papers available) and that the main topic of the Nobel Prize awarded in that year was studied by several researcher.

Unfortunately, this query is not always useful. In some cases, the main topics may include words like "method" and "analysis", which are not informative enough to determine how extensively a specific topic was studied in a given year.

Due to the distribution of research papers in our dataset across different years, this query provides more meaningful results for years after 2000.

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PREFIX spif: <http://spinrdf.org/spif#>
  PREFIX rdfs: <http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#>
  PREFIX jur: <http://sweet.jpl.nasa.gov/2.3/humanJurisdiction.owl#>
   PREFIX skos: <http://www.w3.org/2004/02/skos/core#>
   PREFIX foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>
   PREFIX : <http://www.semanticweb.org/a3d/ontologies/2024/10/nobelOntology/>
   PREFIX xsd: <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#>
   SELECT ?singleAbTopic ?nobel (COUNT(?paper) AS ?numPapers) WHERE {
           SELECT ?singleAbTopic ?paper WHERE {
               ?paper :hasAbstractTopics ?topics;
                   : has Year "2014" ^ xsd : g Year .
               ?singleAbTopic spif:split(?topics ",")
           }
       }
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           SELECT ?singleNoTopic ?nobel WHERE {
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               ?nobel :hasMotivationTopics ?topics;
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                   :hasYear "2014"^^xsd:gYear.
               ?singleNoTopic spif:split(?topics ",")
           }
       }
       FILTER (?singleAbTopic = ?singleNoTopic)
  GROUP BY ?singleAbTopic ?nobel
  ORDER BY desc(?numPapers)
```

# Query 2 - papersPerTopic

Papers per topic

## Query 3 - sharedNobels

This query shows the number of Nobel Prizes shared by multiple laureates and the number of laureates sharing Nobel Prizes.

The query provides an interesting result: 242 out of 579 Nobel Prizes (41.8%) have been shared by multiple laureates, and 632 laureates have shared different Nobel Prizes. On average, a Nobel Prize is shared by more than 2 laureates (2.6 laureates per prize).

how many nobels are shared? how many laureates are sharing a nobel?

#### **Query 4 - laureatesCollaborations**

Laureates that wrote a paper together

## Query 5 - laureatesPerCountryAndFunding

```
PREFIX foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>
PREFIX skos: <http://www.w3.org/2004/02/skos/core#>
PREFIX: <a href="http://www.semanticweb.org/a3d/ontologies/2024/10/nobelOntology/">PREFIX: <a href="http://www.semanticweb.org/a3d/ontologies/2024/10/nobelOntology/">http://www.semanticweb.org/a3d/ontologies/2024/10/nobelOntology/</a>
SELECT ?year ?state (COUNT(?laureate) AS ?howmany) ?amount WHERE {
     ?laureate :hasWon ?nobel .
     ?nobel :hasYear ?year .
     ?laureate :basedIn | :bornIn ?city .
     ?city :locatedIn ?country
     ?country foaf:name ?state
     OPTIONAL {
          ?country :hasFunded ?funding .
          ?funding a :Funding ;
                :hasYear ?year ;
                :hasAmount ?amount
     }
GROUP BY ?year ?state ?amount
ORDER BY DESC (?howmany)
```

For every year and country, the query extracts the number of laureate of that country and, if available, the funding for R&D: how fundings in R&D affect the possibility to win?

## Query 6 - moreThanOneNobel

who won more than one nobel prize

#### Query 7 - papersPerVenue

This plot shows the number of papers published over the years by major venues (those with at least 800 papers published, according to our dataset).

In recent years, Bioinformatics could be considered one of the most influential venue due to its consistently higher number of papers published compared to others. IEEE venues, are the most prominent in the fields of information and tecnology.

For instance, on 2009, the research community focused more on the field of communications. That same year, the Physics Nobel Prize was awarded for "groundbreaking achievements concerning the transmission of light in fibers for optical communication".

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PREFIX foaf: <a href="http://www.w3.org/2004/02/skos/core">
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PREFIX: <a href="http://www.semanticweb.org/a3d/ontologies/2024/10/nobelOntology/">
PREFIX: <a href="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema">

SELECT: ?venue: ?year (COUNT(?paper) AS: ?numPapers) WHERE {

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# get the most important venues (the ones with at least 800 papers published)
           SELECT ?venue (COUNT(?paper) AS ?totPapers) WHERE {
               ?paper :publishedIn ?venue.
           }
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           GROUP BY ?venue
           HAVING (?totPapers > 800)
           ORDER BY DESC (?totPapers)
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       }
       # get the number of paper published in the most important venues for each year
       ?paper :publishedIn ?venue;
           :hasYear ?year.
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  GROUP BY ?venue ?year
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  ORDER BY ASC (?year)
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## Query 8 - papersPerCategory

The following query allows us to extract, for each year, the number of scientific articles published in each relevant category. The categories returned as results are the TopConcepts categories of our SKOS taxonomy, and they include in the count their various subcategories. For example, in the count of papers for the medicine category, articles belonging to subcategories like neuroscience are also included.

To obtain this data, the query uses two distinct subqueries. The first subquery extracts the number of articles published for each main category (TopConcept), while the second identifies the number of articles associated with the subcategories of each main category. The sum of the results of the two subqueries, aggregated by year and category, provides the total number of articles published for each category and for each year.

```
PREFIX skos: <http://www.w3.org/2004/02/skos/core#>
   PREFIX : <http://www.semanticweb.org/a3d/ontologies/2024/10/nobelOntology/>
   \# Extracts the number of papers we have for each category over the years --> the most
        studied research areas over the years
   SELECT ?year ?category (SUM(?howmany) AS ?totalPapers) WHERE {
       # Inner query to extract the number of papers published in journals that have at
          least one category that is a top concept of our skos scheme
           SELECT ?year ?category (COUNT(DISTINCT ?paper) AS ?howmany) WHERE {
               ?journal :hasJournalCategory ?category .
               : {\tt journalCategoryScheme \  \  skos: has Top Concept \ ? category \  \  .}
               ?paper :publishedIn ?journal ;
                   :hasYear ?year .
           GROUP BY ?year ?category
       }
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       UNION
       # Inner query to extract the number of papers published in journals that have at
          least one category that is a subcategory of a top concept category
           SELECT ?year ?category (COUNT(DISTINCT ?paper) AS ?howmany) WHERE {
               ?journal:hasJournalCategory?cat .
               ?cat skos:broaderTransitive ?category .
               ?paper :publishedIn ?journal ;
                   :hasYear ?year .
           GROUP BY ?year ?category
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   GROUP BY ?year ?category
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   ORDER BY DESC (?totalPapers)
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This approach offers a comprehensive view of the distribution of published articles over time, allowing us to identify which research areas, related to Nobel categories, have attracted the most attention from scholars over the years. Below is a plot representing the trend of the number of papers published over the years, divided by their respective categories. In the recent years, the most studied field is medicine which got a big leap around 2002, while in the nineties the most studied one was economics, which reached its peak in 2008, probability due to the economic crisis of that time.

