

E05 Processing SPARQL Queries

Quiz

Decide whether the following statements are true or false.

- Q5.1 A basic graph pattern consists of one or more triple patterns.
- Q5.2 BGPs may contain blank nodes on subject, predicate, and object position.
- Q5.3 Basic graph pattern matching in SPARQL takes into account different lexical forms of literals
- Q5.4 Of the operators presented in the chapter, the *BGP* operator is the only operator that accesses triples.
- Q5.5 Only one *FROM* expression is allowed in a SPARQL query.
- Q5.6 Multiple *FILTER* expressions are allowed in a SPARQL query. Only solutions that match all of the *FILTER* expressions are returned.
- Q5.7 The empty solution mapping μ_\emptyset is compatible with any other solution mapping.
- Q5.8 The notion of compatibility of solutions can be used to compute the Cartesian product between solution sequences.
- Q5.9 Filter expressions in SPARQL take into account different lexical forms of literals.
- Q5.10 The following filter expression returns *false*:
`"1"^^xsd:int == (xsd:integer)"1"^^xsd:float`
- Q5.11 Queries with a CONSTRUCT query form may lead to new blank nodes in the query results.

Exercises

E5.1 Let G be the graph serialized in the following RDF document [doc.ttl](#):

```
@prefix : <doc#> .  
:a :p :b .  
:b :p :c .  
:c :p :d .
```

Now, consider the BGP P :

```
<doc#a> <doc#p> <doc#b> .
```

What is the solution sequence Ω resulting from matching P to G ?

E5.2 Given the basic graph pattern P :

```
<doc#a> <doc#p> <doc#c> .
```

What is the solution sequence Ω resulting from matching P to graph G from E 5.1?

E5.3 Consider the BGP P :

```
_:x <doc#p> _:y .
```

What is the solution sequence Ω resulting from matching P to graph G from E 5.1?

E5.4 Given the following BGP P with two triple patterns:

```
?x <doc#p> ?y . ?y <doc#p> ?z .
```

What is the solution sequence Ω resulting from matching P to graph G from E 5.1?

E5.5 Given the following BGP P :

```
?x <doc#p> _:y . _:y <doc#p> ?z .
```

What is the solution sequence Ω resulting from matching P to graph G from E 5.1?

E5.6 Given the following BGP P , where the triple patterns do not share variables¹:

```
?x1 <doc#p> ?y1 .  
?x2 <doc#p> ?y2 .
```

¹ <https://lists.w3.org/Archives/Public/public-sparql-dev/2017AprJun/0008.html>

Can you work out from the definitions the solution sequence Ω formatching P to graph G from E 5.1?

E5.7 Translate the following *WHERE* clause into a SPARQL algebra expression, without expanding prefixes in CURIes.

```
WHERE {  
  ?x :name ?label .  
  ?x :radius ?r .  
}
```

E5.8 Translate the following *WHERE* clause into a SPARQL algebra expression, without expanding prefixes in CURIes.

```
WHERE {  
  ?x :label ?label .  
  FILTER (lang(?label) = "en")  
}
```

E5.9 Translate the following *WHERE* clause into a SPARQL algebra expression, without expanding prefixes in CURIes.

```
WHERE {  
  ?x :radius ?r .  
  OPTIONAL {  
    ?x :label ?label .  
    FILTER (lang(?label) = "en")  
  }  
}
```

E5.10 Translate the following *WHERE* clause into a SPARQL algebra expression.

```
WHERE {  
  ?x :satellite ?y .  
  {  
    ?y :label ?label .  
  } UNION {  
    ?y :name ?label .  
  }  
}
```

E5.11 Translate the following *WHERE* clause into a SPARQL algebra expression.

```
WHERE {  
  ?x :radius ?r .  
  BIND (?r * 2 AS ?diameter)
```

}

E5.12 Consider the following RDF document with a graph G describing celestial bodies in our solar system.

```
@prefix : <astro#> .  
:Sonne :radius 696342 ; :satellite :Merkur, :Venus, :Erde, :Mars .  
:Merkur :radius 2439.7 .  
:Venus :radius 6051.9 .  
:Erde :radius 6372.8 ; :satellite :Mond .  
:Mars :radius 3402.5 ; :satellite :Phobos, :Deimos .  
:Mond :radius 1737.1 ; :label "Mond"@de, "Moon"@en .  
:Phobos :label "Phobos" .  
:Deimos :label "Deimos" .
```

The property with URI *:radius* describes the equatorial radius of the celestial body. The property with URI *:satellite* denotes that the celestial body in object position is a satellite of the celestial body in subject position. The property with URI *:label* provides a human-readable label. Consider the BGP P :

```
:Erde :satellite ?x .  
?x :label "Moon"@en .
```

Consider the algebra expression $M = BGP(P)$. What is the solution sequence Ω resulting from evaluating M on graph G , i.e., $eval(G, M)$?

E5.13 Consider the BGP P :

```
:Erde :satellit ?x .  
?x :label "Moon" .
```

Consider the algebra expression $M = BGP(P)$. What is the solution sequence Ω resulting from evaluating M on graph G from E 5.12?

E5.14 Let P be:

```
:Sonne :satellite ?x .
```

Let F be:

```
(?x != :Merkur && ?x != :Mars)
```

Consider the algebra expression $M = FILTER(F, BGP(P))$. What is the solution sequence Ω resulting from evaluating M on graph G from E 5.12?

E5.15 Let P_1 be

```
?s1 :radius 6051.9 .
```

Let P_2 be

```
?s2 :radius 6372.8 .
```

Consider the algebra expression $M = \text{UNION}(\text{BGP}(P1), \text{BGP}(P2))$. What is the solution sequence Ω resulting from evaluating M on graph G from E 5.12?

E5.16 Let $P1$ be:

```
?x :radius ?r .
```

Let $P2$ be:

```
?x :label ?label .
```

Let M be $\text{LEFTJOIN}(\text{BGP}(P1), \text{BGP}(P2), \text{true})$. What is the solution sequence Ω resulting from evaluating M on graph G from E 5.12?

E5.17 OPTIONAL vs. UNION

Data:

```
:s :p :o1 .  
:o1 :q :o2 .  
:s :p :o2 .
```

```
WHERE {  
  { :s :p ?x . }  
  UNION  
  { :s :p ?x .  
    ?x :q :o . }  
}
```

```
WHERE {  
  :s :p ?x .  
  OPTIONAL { ?x :q :o . }  
}
```

Different solutions!

Learning Goals

G 5.1 Explain the formal definition of basic graph pattern matching and show how to match basic graph patterns to graphs.

G 5.2 Translate a given SPARQL WHERE clause, including UNION, OPTIONAL, FILTER and BIND AS clauses, to a SPARQL algebra expression.

G 5.3 Given a query, explain the handling of the RDF dataset with FROM and FROM NAMED clauses in conjunction with GRAPH.

G 5.4 Evaluate a SPARQL algebra expression on a given RDF dataset and specify the solutions of the entire algebra expression and also of partial expressions.

G 5.5 Generate the final results to a SPARQL abstract query, taking into account the solution sequence of the graph pattern algebra expression and the query form.