

Introduction to Linked Open Data

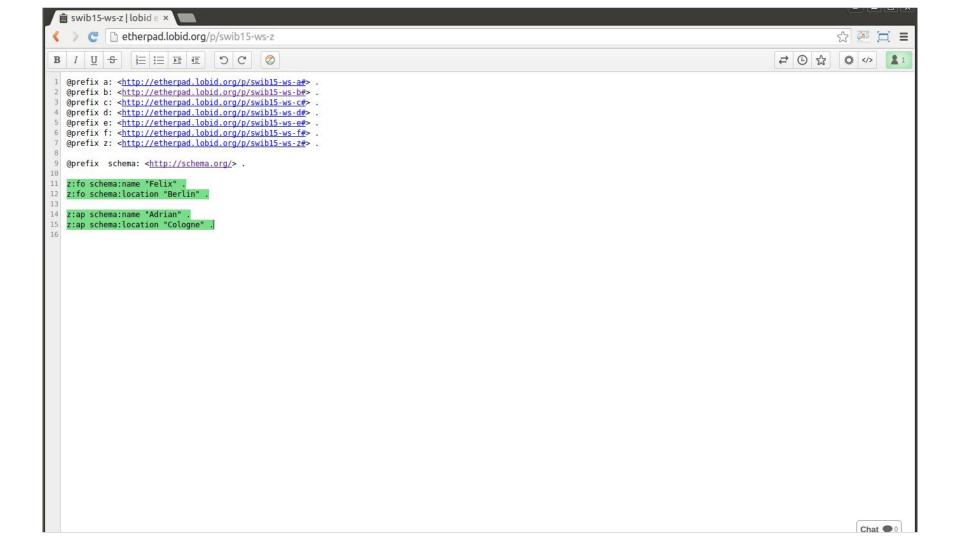
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Fill out your name tag and then transfer it into the Etherpad of your group.

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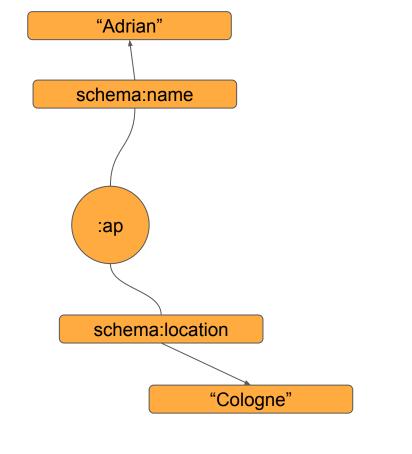
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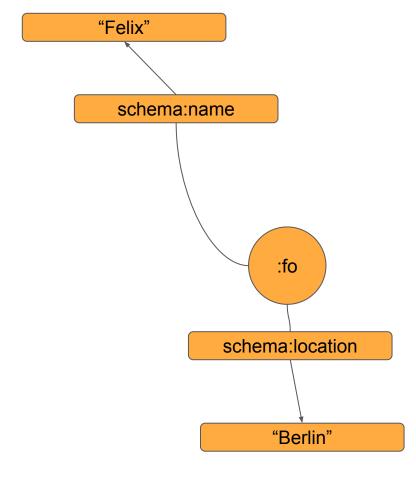


Resource Description Framework (RDF)

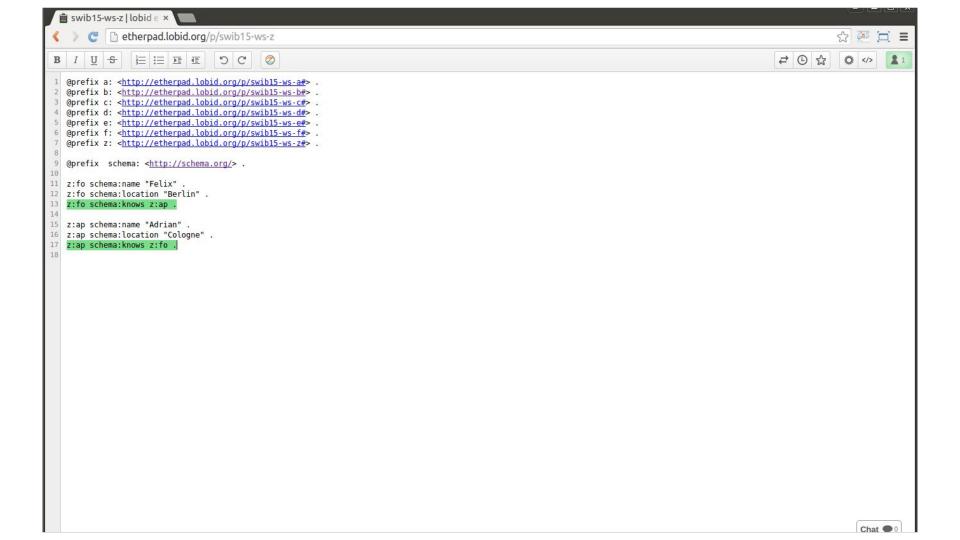
The Resource Description Framework (RDF) is used to describe arbitrary things. RDF is based on the concept of triples, which consist of subject, predicate and object. It is an abstract model for which several notations exist.

Today we will be using Turtle.



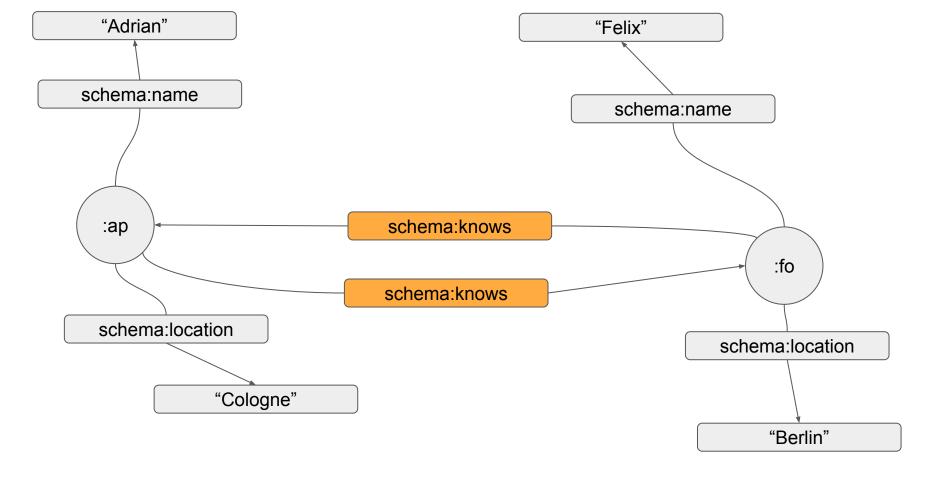


Introduce yourself to the other members of your group. To do so, pass on the yarn and document your new acquaintances in the Etherpad.

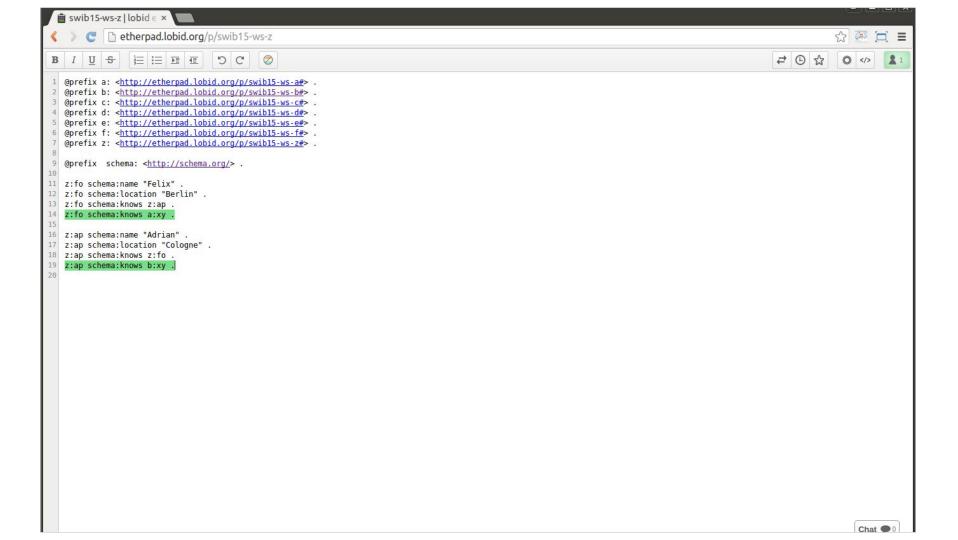


Linked Data

When using RDF, things are **named** by **Uniform Resource Identifiers** (URIs). By linking things, **graphs** emerge. Social **networks** such as Facebook or LinkedIn are well-known examples of this approach.

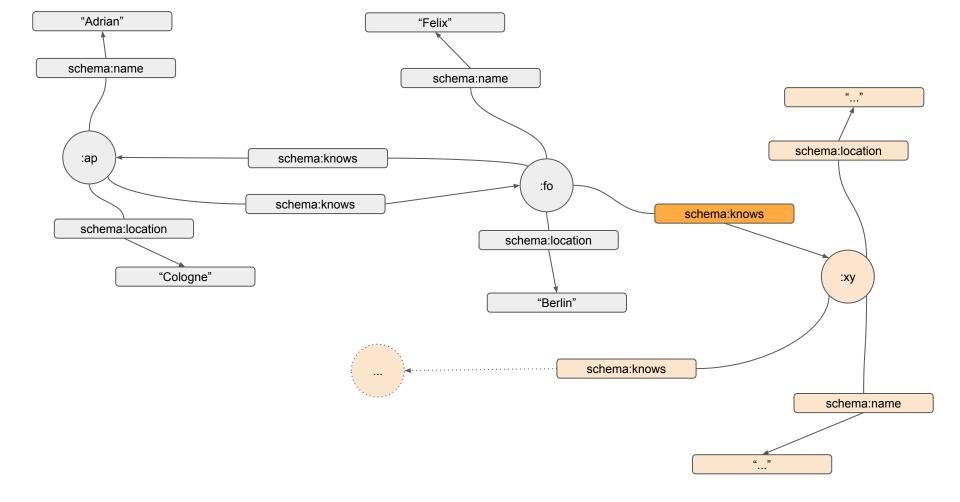


Extend your set of acquaintances by passing on the yarn beyond your group. As before, document these new connections in the Etherpad.

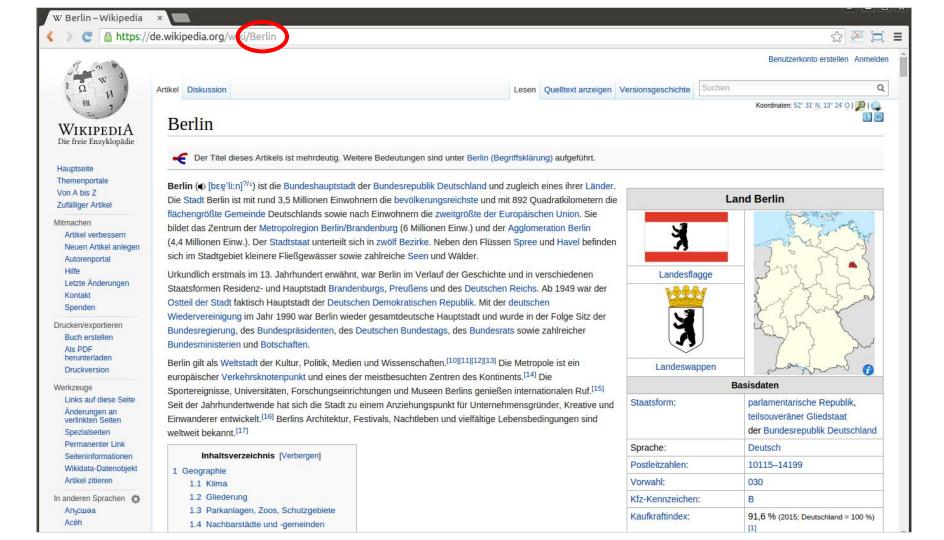


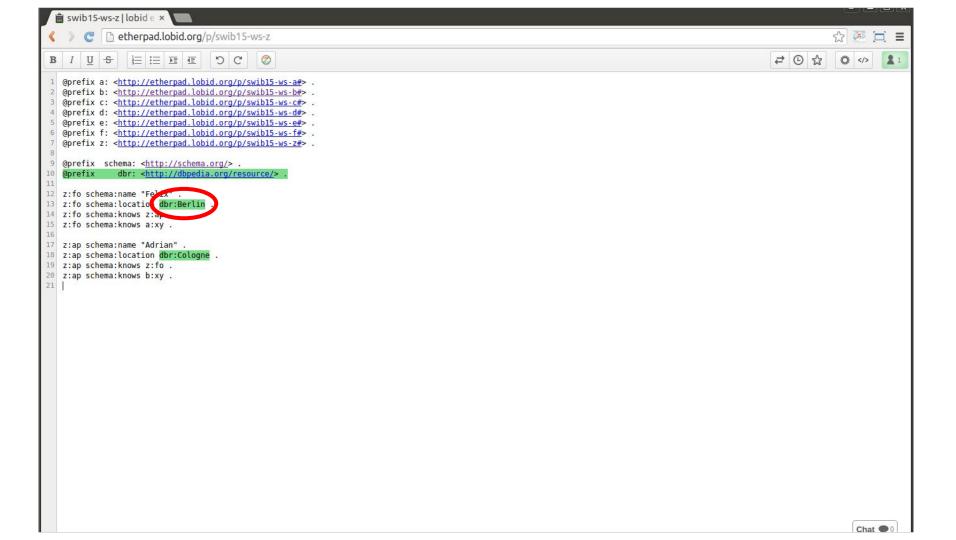
The simple power of the Link

Even a **single link** can greatly **expand** a **graph**, because many new connections can join the network.



Replace the name of your location through a reference to DBpedia.

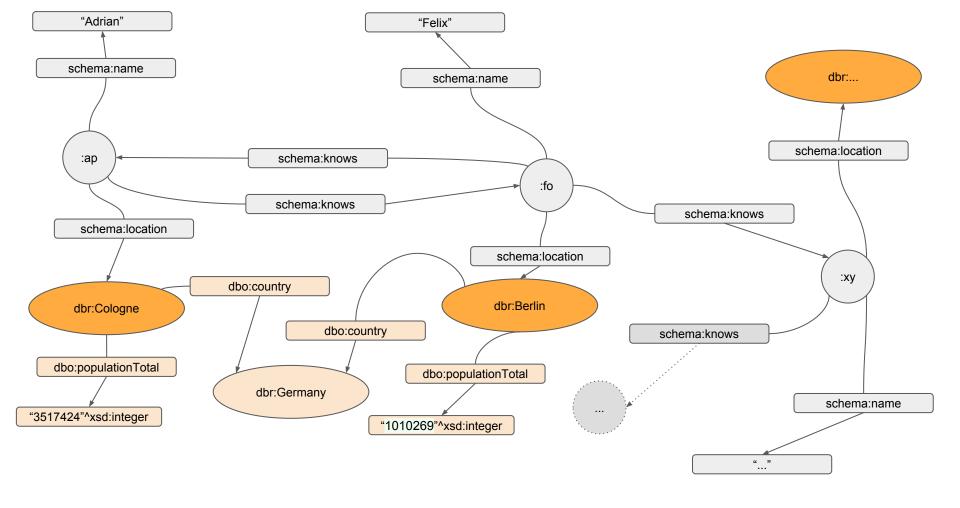




The Giant Global Graph

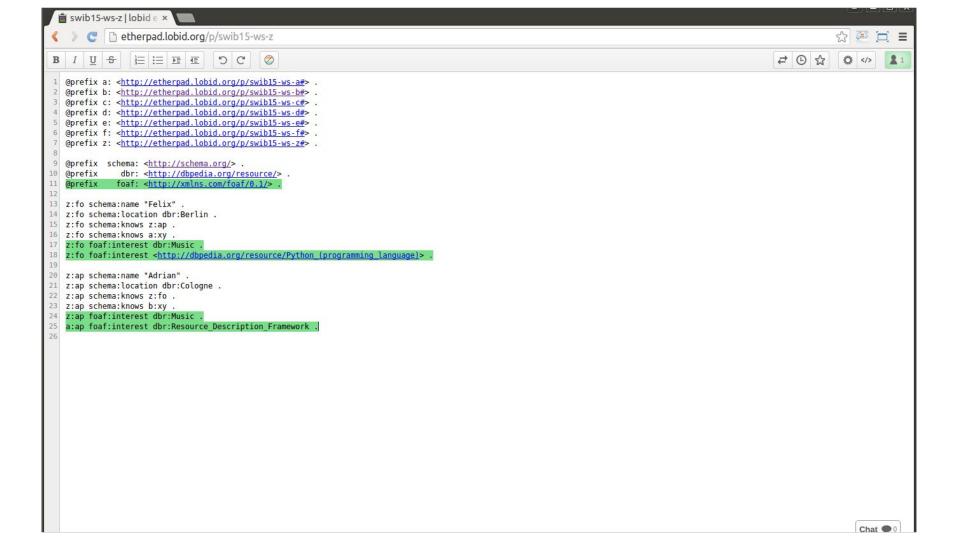
By using HTTP-URIs, Linked Data builds upon a technology that is proven to scale globally. With reference to the World Wide Web, the to term Giant Global Graph is sometimes used. What is true for the WWW is also true for the GGG:

Anyone can say anything about anything.



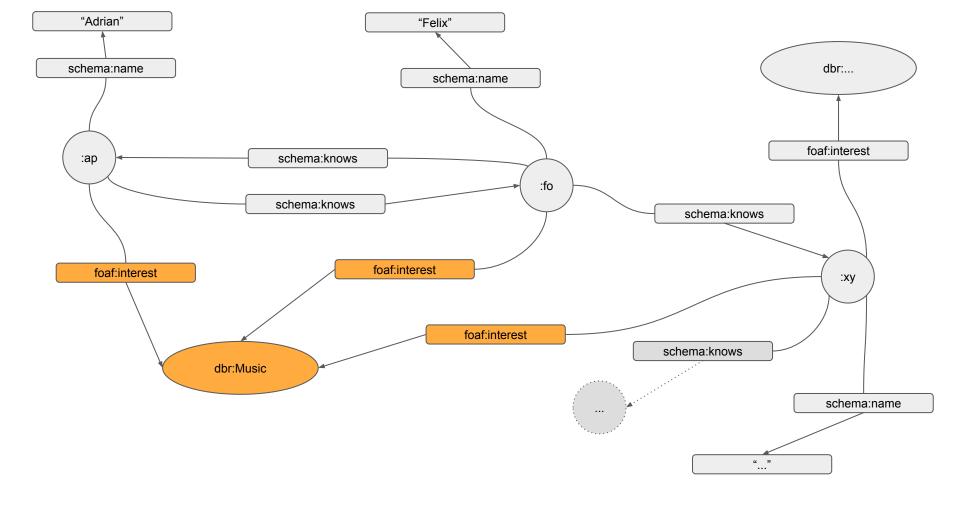
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Enhance your profile with interest you have. Again, refer to DBpedia entries to do so.



Additional Vocabularies

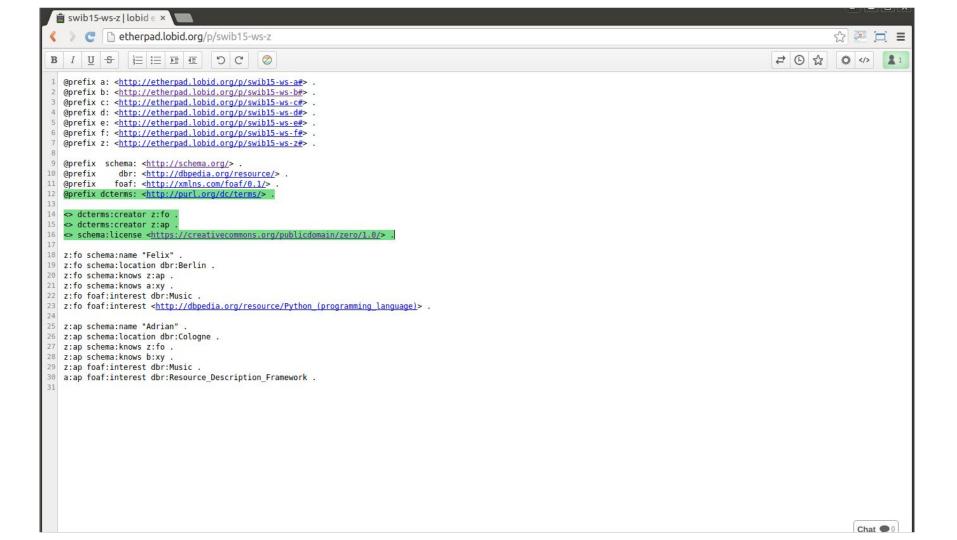
- FOAF
- DBpedia-Ontology
- ... and many more (see <u>Linked Open Vocabularies (LOV)</u>)
- <u>prefix.cc</u> can be used to look up namespaces



Library-related vocabularies

- <u>Dublin Core Metadata Terms</u>
- Simple Knowledge Organisation System (SKOS)
 - Examples: <u>Agrovoc</u>, <u>STW Thesaurus for Economics</u>, many small controlled vocabularies (for example <u>RDA value vocabularies</u>)
 - SKOS schemas in BARTOC: http://bartoc.org/en/search/advanced?f[0]=field_format%3A24
- GND Ontology
- <u>Learning Resource Metadata Initiative</u>
- RDA Elements sets
- Bibframe
- ...

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- License: only allowed restrictions are attribution and share-alike
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 - o no non-commercial (NC) licenses
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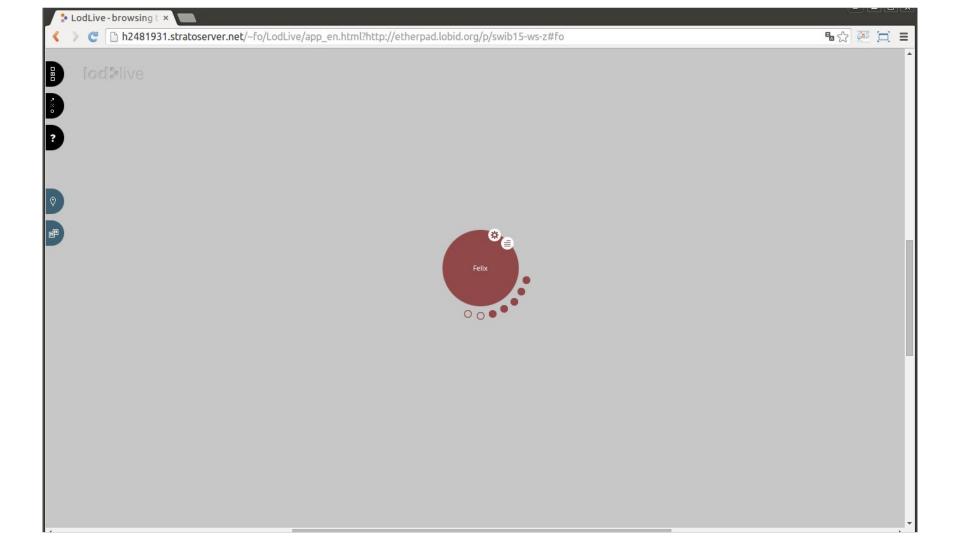
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Economics"@en, "ZBW - Leibniz-Informationszentrum Wirtschaft"@de ;
    cc:attributionURL <http://zbw.eu> ;
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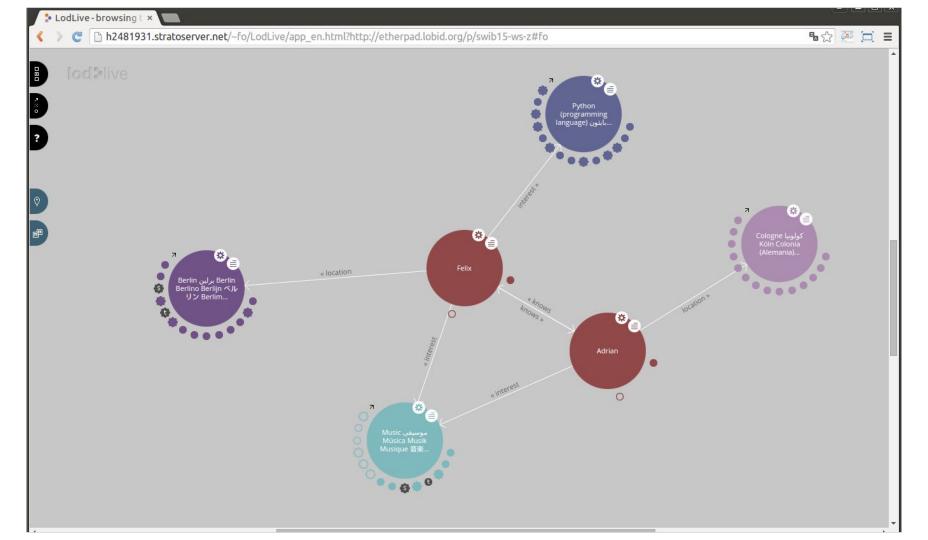
Demo

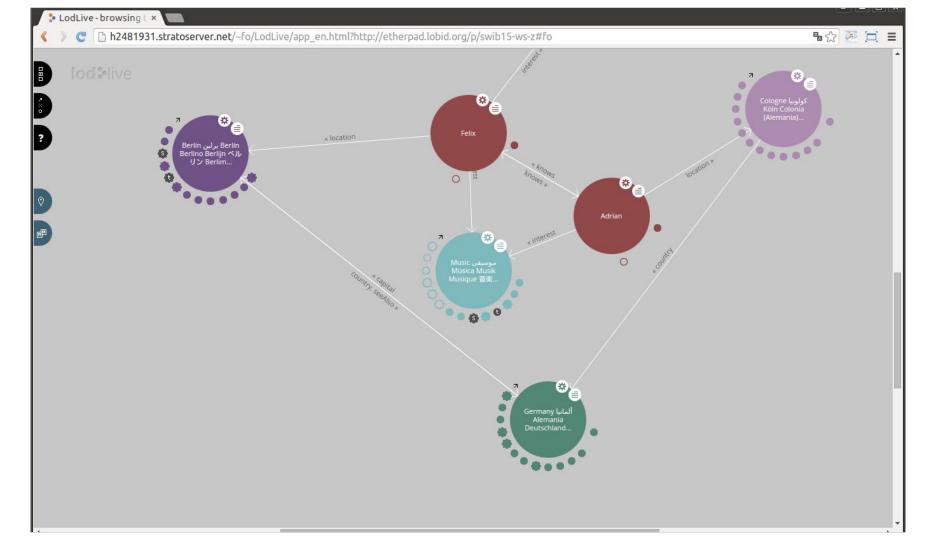
Browse, collect and query











Triplestores & SPARQL

Scattered machine readable descriptions are useful, but we can do better! RDF is a **distributed data** model which makes it easy to **combine descriptions**. Special databases called **triplestores** exist that allow to query the aggregated data using **SPARQL**.

Names of the participants

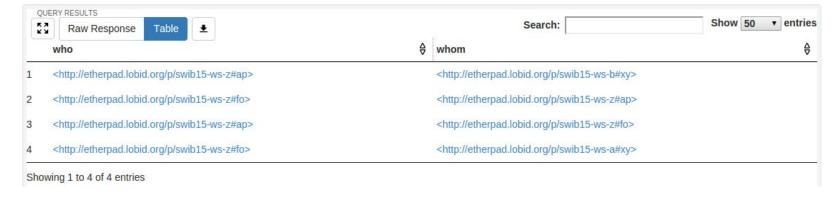
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PREFIX schema: <http://schema.org/>

SELECT * WHERE {
    ?person schema:name ?name .
}
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Acquaintances

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PREFIX schema: <a href="http://schema.org/">PREFIX schema.org/<a href="http://schema.o
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Acquaintances by name

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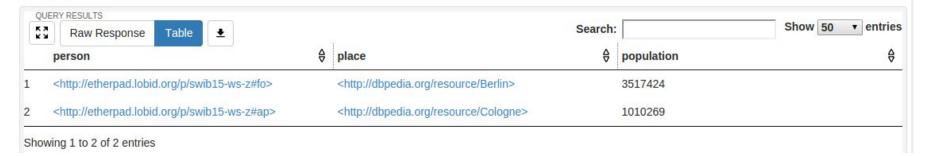
Localities and Countries



Same interests



Metropolitans



Explore your social network using the SPARQL-Endpoint and the interactive LodLive visualization. http://etherpad.lobid.org/p/swib15-ws-sparql

Using: Mashups Mashups combine multiple datasets to create a new service. visualisation or information.

Using: Search

Linked data search engines allow search across the web of data. Conventional search may present

information derived from linked data.

Using: Productivity Linked data facilitates data integration for business intelligence or research.

Open data is made available under

restrictions. Open standards

domain)

so that others can use and build upon it, free of leg

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open data

Storing and publishing

Linked data can be published in simple flat files on a web server, in databases with a translation layer, or

linked data. Publishing platforms understand

requests for linked data & return it formatted as RDF.

in specialised 'triple stores' built to store and share

Querving: SPARQL SPARQL Protocol and RDF Query

Language provides a way to run structured queries over linked data datasets. SPARQL servers expose linked open data to be gueried.

Representing: Ontologies

Representing: Vocabularies

Vocabularies provide lists (and definitions) of common terms that can be used to describe the things and relationships in a dataset.

Ontologies are vocabularies that record the logical relationships between their terms and support reasoning.

Interchanging: RDF

Resource Descriptor Framework (RDF) is a model for representing data as 'triples'. RDF

Identifying: URLs

Using HTTP Uniform Resource Locators (URLs) means that (a) data can be looked up across the Internet; (b) decisions about 'namespaces' for data are managed through the Domain Name System (DNS).

can be serialised into a range of different file formats, including RDF-XML and text-based Turtle or N3 syntax.

Transporting: HTTP (The World Wide Web)

Data is hosted on servers that can talk Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) to each other and to browsers in order to exchange data across the Internet.

Elements of the Linked Open Data Stack (revision 3) - 5th May 2011. CC BY-SA-NC Draft sketch by Tim Davies (@timdavies / tim@practicalparticipation.co.uk) for IKM Working Paper on Linked Open Data for Development, Comments welcome, Search 'linked open data stack' on http://www.opendataimpacts.net for latest version.

Idea based on Semantic Web Stack at http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Semantic_Web_Stack

The End

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