

# COMP 6721 Applied Artificial Intelligence (Winter 2021)

## Worksheet #8: Knowledge Graphs & Intelligent Agents, Part II

**N-Triples.** Quick refresher: Using the N-Triples serialization format, write an RDF triple describing Concordia's homepage:

.....

**Your first Vocabulary.** Define the fact that *Student* is a class (as opposed to an instance, like *Jane*). Use the following prefix definitions and define *Student* as part of the *ex* namespace (*ex:Student*):

```
@prefix rdf: <http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#> .
@prefix rdfs: <http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#> .
@prefix xsd: <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#> .
@prefix ex: <http://example.org/> .
```

Add the triple: .....

**Creating Instances.** Now add another triple stating that Jane (*ex:jane#me*) is of type *ex:Student*:

.....

and add it to the graph above.

**Subclasses.** For now at least, every *Student* is a *Person* (sorry, robots!). Define this fact as a triple:

.....

Note: use the same *ex:* namespace for the subclass as before for *Student*.

**Are we there yet?** Ok, let's look at these three triples (written in pseudocode for brevity):

```
<LS-210> <teaches> <COMP472/6721> .
<professor> <is a> <slide> .
<student> <handed in by> <assignment> .
```

Are these *syntactically* legal triples? (Spoiler alert: yes, we could write each of them using perfectly fine RDF URIs.) So what exactly is wrong here?

Construct	Syntactic form	Description
<a href="#">Class</a> (a class)	<b>C</b> <i>rdf:type</i> <i>rdfs:Class</i>	<b>C</b> (a resource) is an RDF class
<a href="#">Property</a> (a class)	<b>P</b> <i>rdf:type</i> <i>rdfs:Property</i>	<b>P</b> (a resource) is an RDF property
<a href="#">type</a> (a property)	<b>I</b> <i>rdf:type</i> <b>C</b>	<b>I</b> (a resource) is an instance of <b>C</b> (a class)
<a href="#">subClassOf</a> (a property)	<b>C1</b> <i>rdfs:subClassOf</i> <b>C2</b>	<b>C1</b> (a class) is a subclass of <b>C2</b> (a class)
<a href="#">subPropertyOf</a> (a property)	<b>P1</b> <i>rdfs:subPropertyOf</i> <b>P2</b>	<b>P1</b> (a property) is a sub-property of <b>P2</b> (a property)
<a href="#">domain</a> (a property)	<b>P</b> <i>rdfs:domain</i> <b>C</b>	domain of <b>P</b> (a property) is <b>C</b> (a class)
<a href="#">range</a> (a property)	<b>P</b> <i>rdfs:range</i> <b>C</b>	range of <b>P</b> (a property) is <b>C</b> (a class)

**Properties.** We now define a *property*, `studiesAt`, so that we can indicate at which university a student is studying. Write the triple defining `studiesAt` as a *property* (use the `ex:` namespace as before):

.....  
(Note: properties should also have labels & comments, but we omit this here for brevity.)

**Domain & Range.** We now have to add *domain and range restrictions* for our property to avoid problems like the ones shown above. For the *domain* of our `studiesAt` property, we only permit `ex:Student` resources and for the *range*, we only admit `ex:University` resources. Write the two triples:

1. ....
2. ....



**FOAF.** A widely used vocabulary for describing people and their (social) networks is *Friend-of-a-Friend* (FOAF), which you've seen before:

```
PREFIX foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>
```

1. Assume Joe has a photo of him published under `http://facebook.me/joe.png` (not a real URL). How can you add this information to the knowledge graph using FOAF (hint: look up the vocabulary using the prefix URL above):

2. Again using FOAF, model that *Jane* is 22 years old:



**Linked Data.** How is Concordia University in the DBpedia knowledge graph *linked* to Wikidata? Find the *property* and *object* for:

```
<http://dbpedia.org/resource/Concordia_University .....>
```



**SPARQL.** Your first SPARQL query: What can you find in DBpedia with: (use the public SPARQL endpoint at <https://dbpedia.org/sparql/>):

```
PREFIX geo: <http://www.w3.org/2003/01/geo/wgs84_pos#>
PREFIX xsd: <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#>
SELECT ?s
WHERE { ?s geo:lat "45.497002"^^xsd:float .
        ?s geo:long "-73.578003"^^xsd:float . }
```



**Your own AI Agent.** Consider the output of a commercial AI, for example the *Google Assistant*, when you ask a question like “*What is Concordia University?*”: You’ll typically see a definition as part of the answer that often comes from Wikipedia (“*Concordia University, commonly referred to as Concordia, is a public comprehensive research university located in Montreal, Quebec, Canada...*”). Write a SPARQL query that retrieves this information from DBpedia:

```
SELECT ?desc
WHERE {
    . . .
}
```

To achieve this translation from question to query automatically, the AI needs an additional natural language processing (NLP) layer, which we’ll cover later in this course.