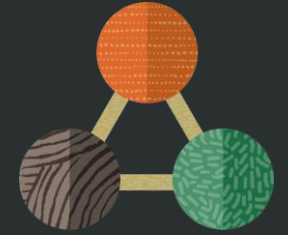


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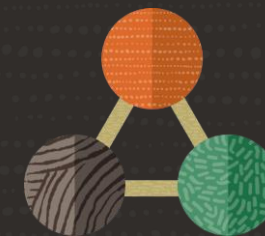
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A word cloud centered around the Semantic Web. The words are arranged in a circular pattern, with 'semantic web' being the largest and most prominent at the bottom. Other large words include 'Ontology', 'RDF', 'OWL', 'vocabulary', 'linked data', 'schema', 'knowledge', 'data', 'ontology', 'matching', 'classes', 'representation', 'triples', 'XML', 'ontology mapping', 'methods', 'syntax', 'W3C', 'domain', 'composition', 'model', 'SPARQL', 'FOAF', 'URI', 'WSDL', 'query', 'functions', 'inference', 'resource', 'attributes', 'tools', 'actions', 'concepts', 'techniques', 'agents', 'applications', 'principles', 'planning rules', 'engineering', 'DBpedia', 'information', 'relations', 'Dublin Core', 'Web Services', 'metadata', 'N3', 'Turtle', 'Description Logics', 'classes', 'composition', 'model', 'domain', 'syntax', 'triples', 'W3C', 'ontology', 'matching', 'classes', 'representation', 'triples', 'W3C'.



What are Knowledge Graphs?

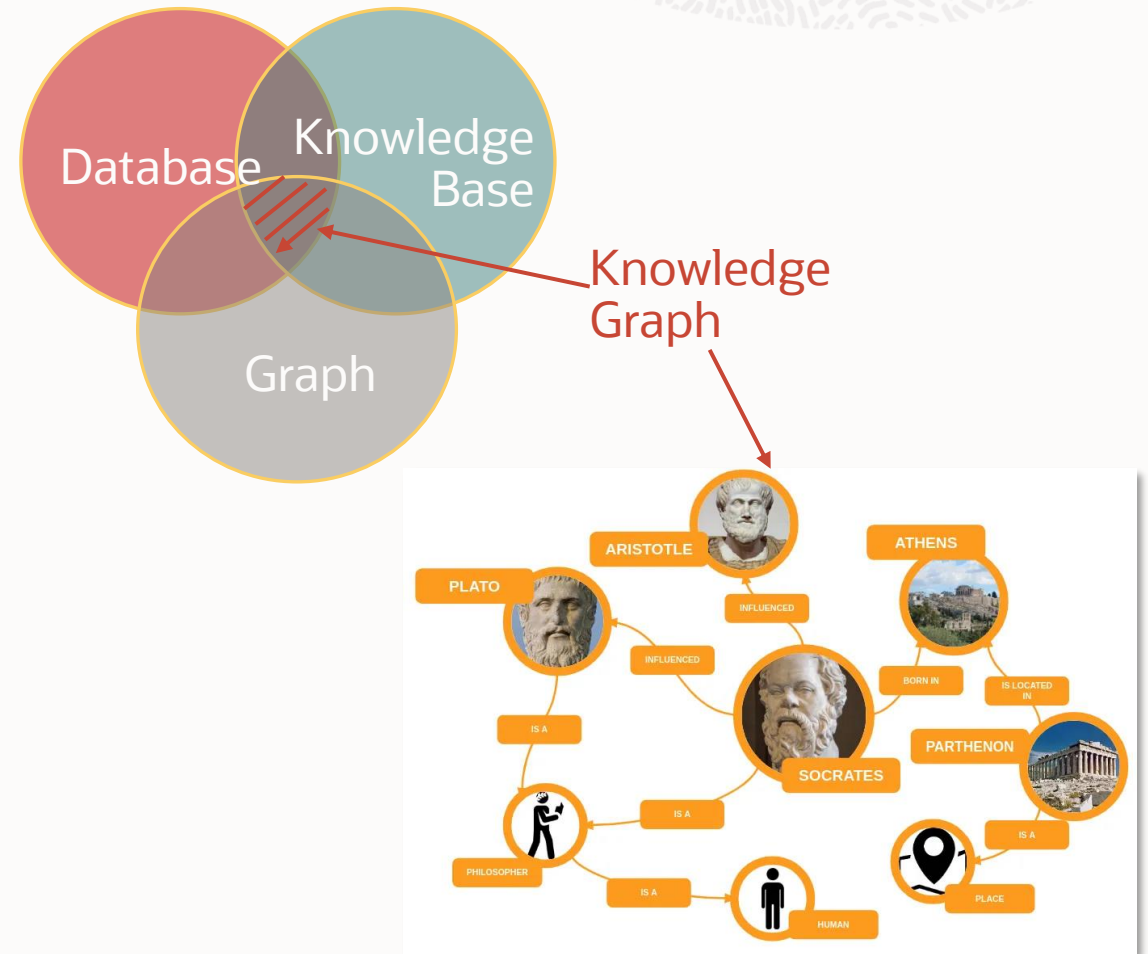
Solving business problems by using Knowledge Graphs

Knowledge graphs are large networks of real-world entities, their semantic types, properties, and relationships between entities¹.

Key Features:


- Things not strings
 - Global unique identifiers
- Formal structure/semantics
 - Machine readable and processable, unambiguous
- Linked descriptions
 - Resources are described by their connections
- Formalized knowledge that enables programmatic reasoning using rulebases



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


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Knowledge Graphs are machine-readable



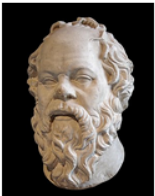
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Faceted Browser  Sparql Endpoint 

About: [Socrates](#)

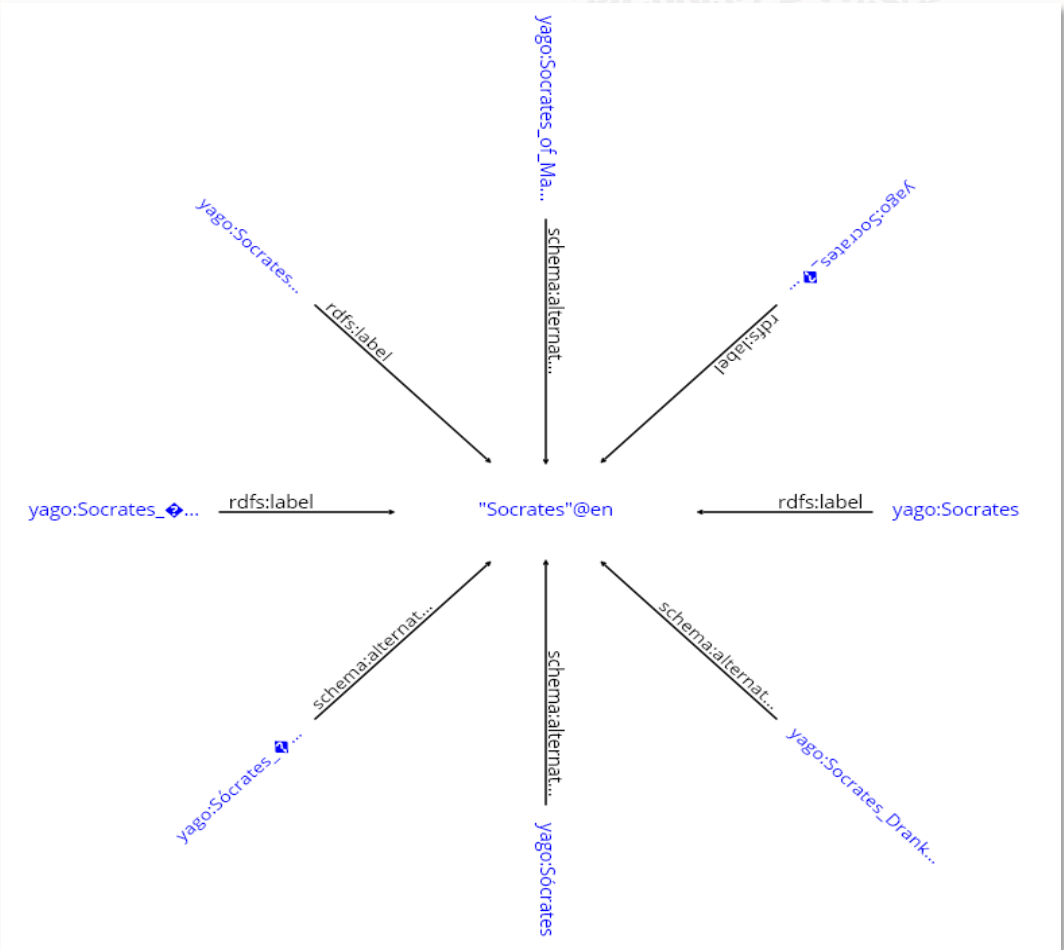
An Entity of Type: [animal](#) from Named Graph: [http://dbpedia.org](#) within Data Space: [dbpedia.org](#)

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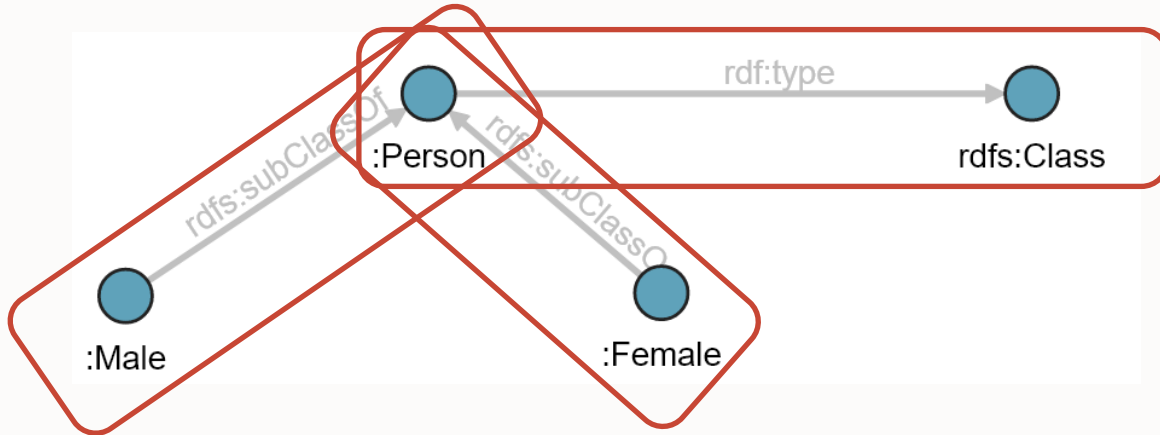
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Data Model for Knowledge Graphs



Subject

Type:

- URI
- Blank node

Predicate

Type:

- URI

Object

Type:

- URI
- Blank node
- Literal (string, int, ...)

Triple

```
PREFIX    rdf: <http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#>
PREFIX    rdfs: <http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#>
PREFIX    : <http://www.example.org/family/>
```

Person is a class

```
:Person rdf:type rdfs:Class .
```


Male is a subclass of Person

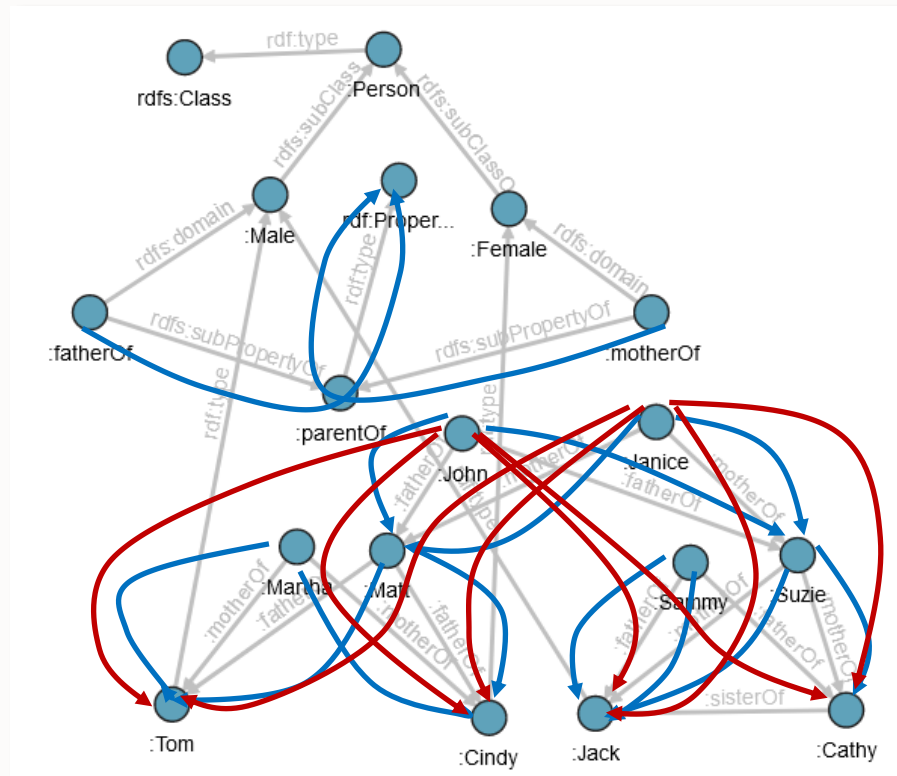
```
:Male rdfs:subClassOf :Person .
```

Female is a subclass of Person

```
:Female rdfs:subClassOf :Person .
```

a Knowledge Graph

- We can draw conclusions and infer new data from existing data by applying a set of logical rules 
Inferencing / Reasoning



Inferencing using rule bases (built-in or custom)

Examples of built-in rules

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```
:fatherOf - rdfs:subPropertyOf -> :parentOf
```

```
:motherOf - rdfs:subPropertyOf -> :parentOf
```

CONSEQUENT

```
:motherOf and :fatherOf ➡ :parentOf
```

```
# Example of a custom rule: Grandparent rule
```

ANTECEDENT

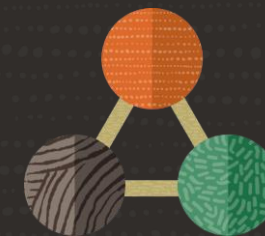
$$(\exists x : \text{parentOf } ?y) (\exists y : \text{parentOf } ?z)$$

CONSEQUENT

$$(\exists x : \text{grandParentOf } ?z)$$

→ :parentOf → :grandParentOf

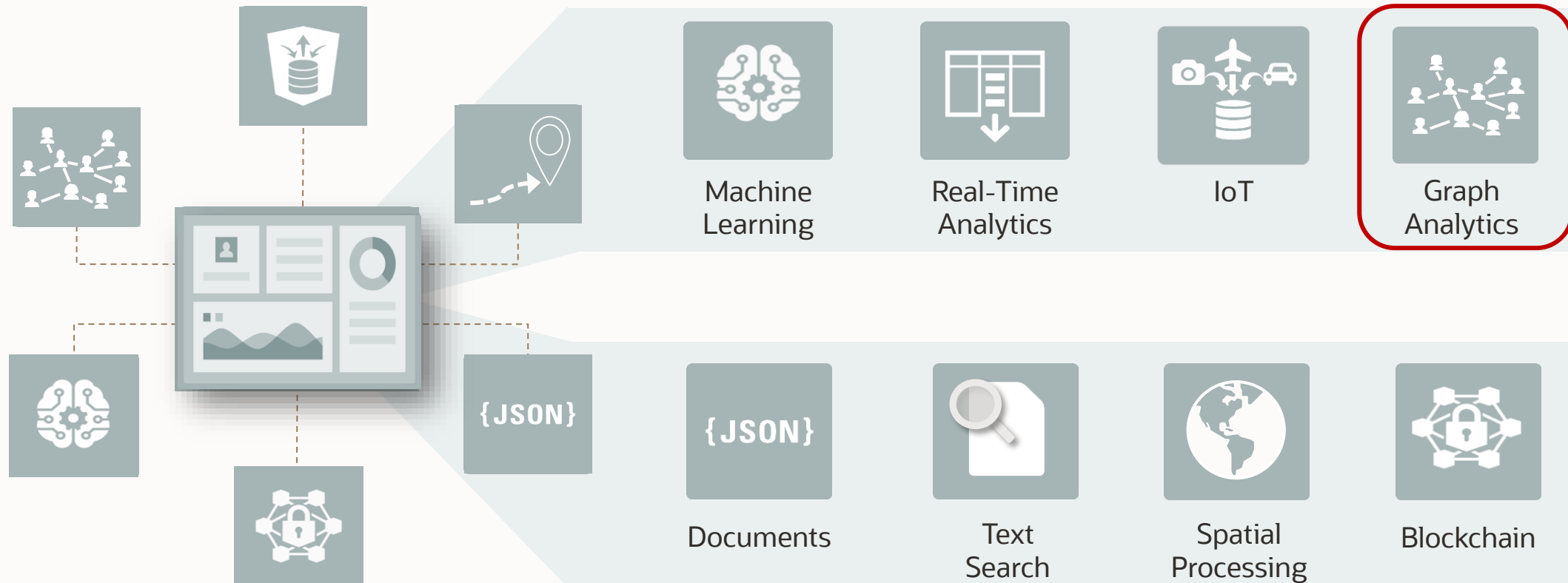




Technology Foundation for Knowledge Graphs



Modern Apps Need To **Generate Value From Data in New Ways**

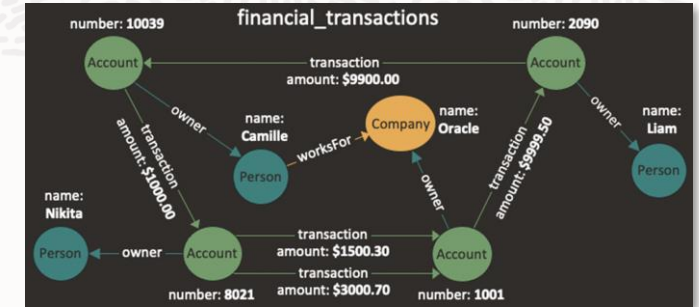


Two Graph Models supported by the Oracle Database

- **Property Graph**

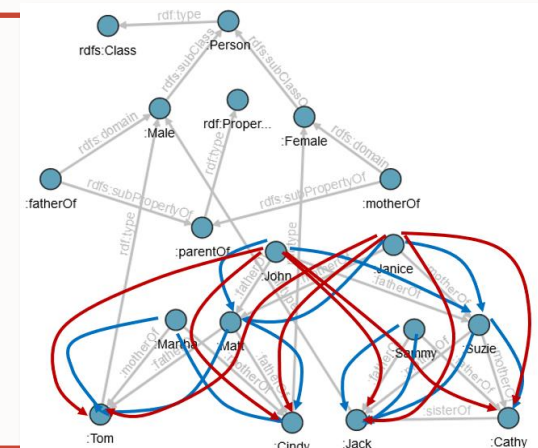
- Known as - Graph Database
- Features - Intuitive data model, Graph Query Language (SQL/PGQ* and PGQL), Graph algorithms, Graph Machine Learning
- Use cases - Fraud detection, Path-finding, Interlinked data management

* Oracle DB 23c



- **RDF Knowledge Graph**

- Known as - RDF Store, Triplestore, Knowledge Graph
- Features - Semantic query, Ontology, Inference, W3C Standards: RDF, RDFS, OWL, SPARQL, ...
- Use cases - Data catalog, Linked Open Data (LOD), Data integration



Why is storing data as a graph essential?



RELATIONAL DATA



GRAPH DATA

Data structure

tables with fields

all data elements stored
individually

Connecting data

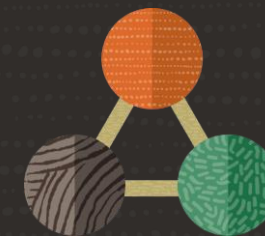
connected by joining on one
data element at a time

connected via self-describing
relationships

Data retrieval

SQL
(joining all tables together)

SPARQL
(no joins necessary)



Building and Using Knowledge Graphs



Key Features

Options to create RDF Knowledge Graphs

- Load existing knowledge graphs (ontologies, vocabularies, taxonomies) into the Oracle Database and extend them
- Create RDF Views on relational tables using R2RML specification
- Build knowledge graphs from scratch (e.g., using SPARQL UPDATE)
- Machine Learning: Text to Graph using Transformer Models
 - Several steps including Named Entity Recognition, Relation Extraction, and more
 - *“Transforming Text Documents to Graphs”* by Doga Tekin, AndOUC TechCast June 2023 (youtube.com/watch?v=cJaxdkCYm2g)

Combine with existing Knowledge Graphs (Ontologies, Taxonomies, Vocabularies)

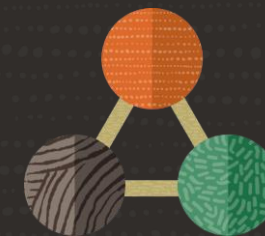
Store, manage, query, inference RDF data in Oracle Database

- Scalable RDF Graph database: Scales to billions of nodes and edges
- Full standards support: RDF, RDFS, OWL, SPARQL, R2RML, ...
- Query: SPARQL or SPARQL inside SQL table function

RDF Server to support SPARQL endpoint

Enterprise capabilities – built on Oracle infrastructure

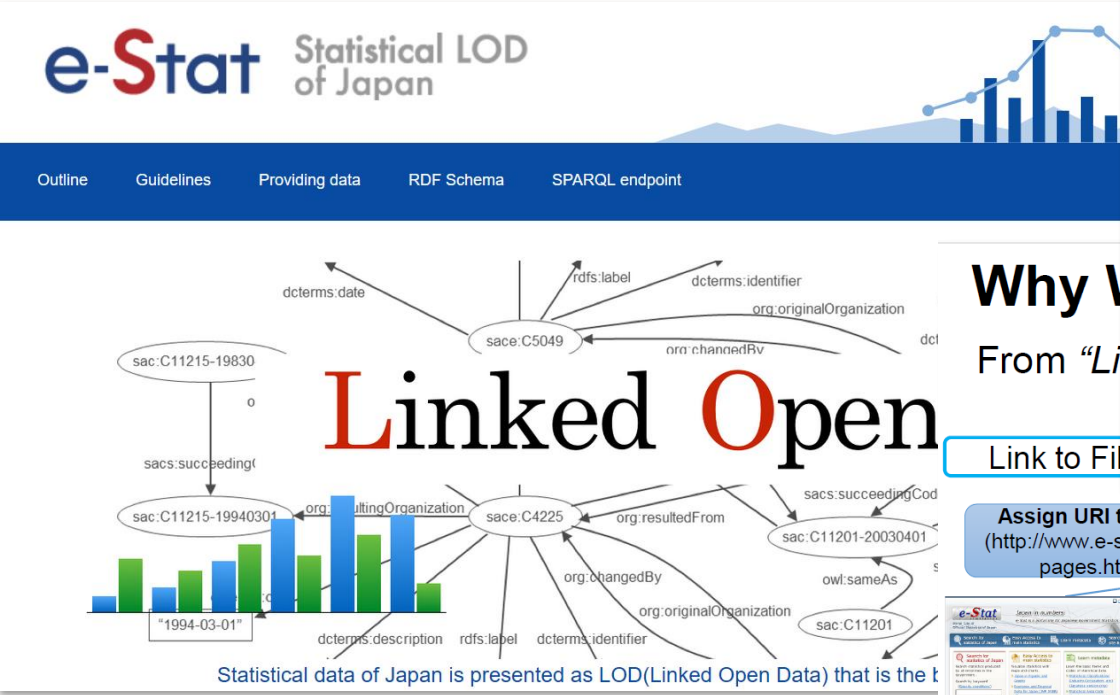
- Manageability, fine-grained security, high availability, integration, and more
- Use with in-memory database feature: 2x-10x faster
- Fine-grained security



Demo



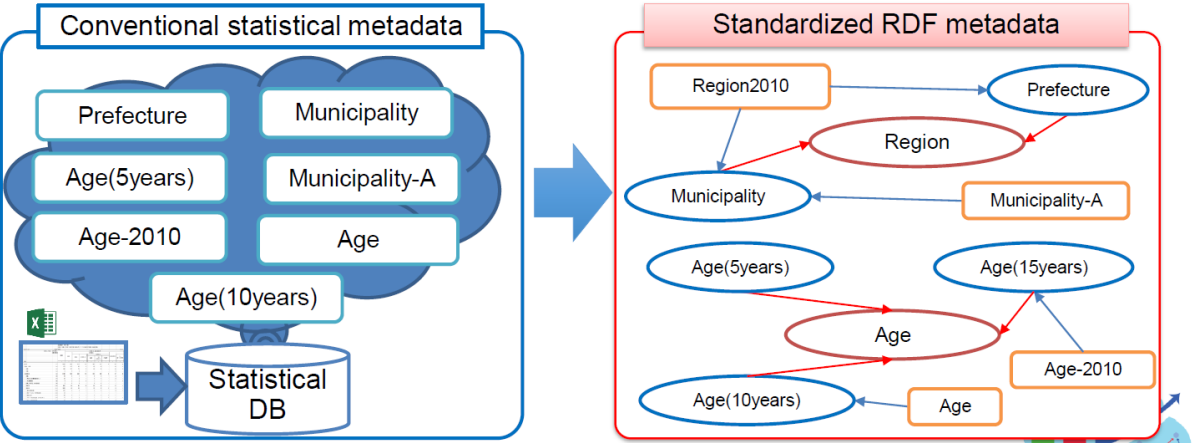
Linked (Open) Data



Why We Developed LOD

Metadata for statistical data in Japan is not standardized, which makes it hard to process data.

➡ Define standardized metadata as **RDF** to make it **machine-readable**



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...
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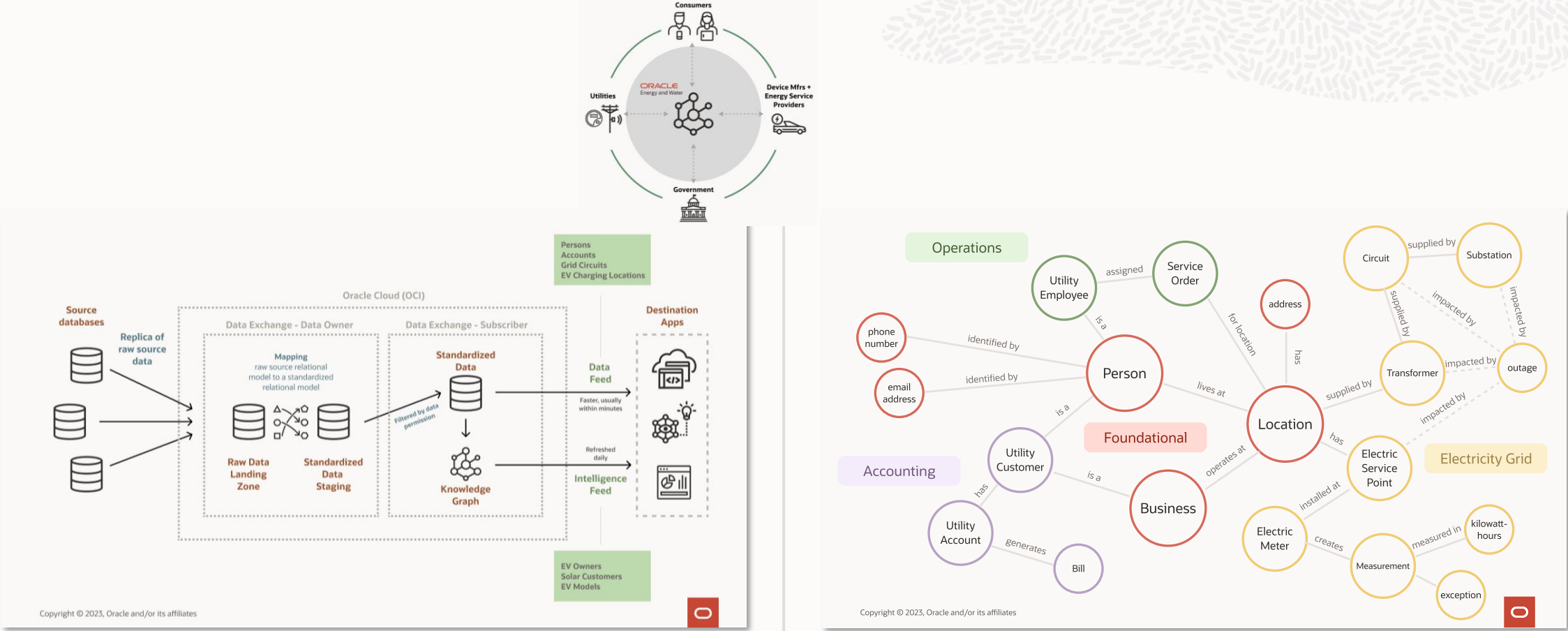
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See also: download.oracle.com/otndocs/products/spatial/pdf/biwa2018/BIWA18_Statistical_Linked_Open_Data_in_Japan_with_RDF.pdf



Integrate and share data for critical networks

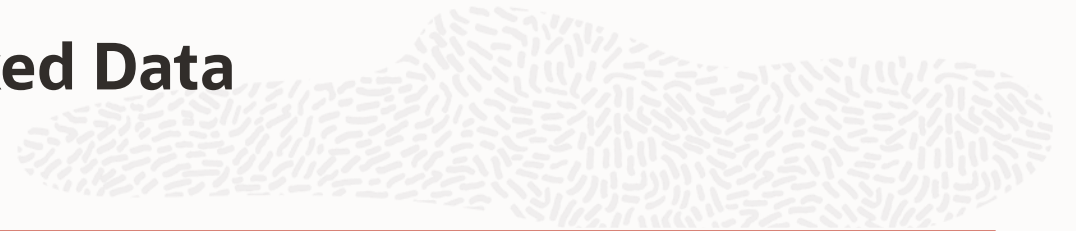


Source: Oracle Energy & Water Global Business Unit
See also:

- “Exchanging Energy Data powered by Knowledge Graph”, [youtube.com/watch?v=-GmfII9zp4Y](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-GmfII9zp4Y)
- “Oracle Industry Data Exchange”, [youtube.com/watch?v=0B51hPoPfqw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0B51hPoPfqw)



Use Case: Data Integration based on Linked Data



Business Objective	Solution
360-degree view on integrated data silos	Oracle Converged Database used for semantic metadata modeling, Federated queries
Real-time data retrieval from the existing data sources	Data integration without continuous physical data replication
Integration of knowledge models with existing vocabularies or ontologies	Support for standard vocabularies and ontologies like SKOS, SNOMED, CDM, or DCAT
Infer new knowledge from existing data	Support for RDFS*, OWL*, OWL2EL, and more

* W3C Standards

Use Case: Consolidated Enterprise Data Management

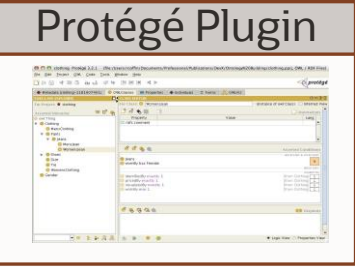


Business Objective	Solution
Consolidate departmental data sets and publish results as Linked Data, moving from files to a database	Single, integrated platform to manage, analyze and publish relational data and RDF triples
Improve accessibility, interoperability, and usability of statistical data	Leverage built-in database features for geospatial data (spatial analysis, GeoSPARQL* support) to access data by region
Increase automation in data production	Generate RDF* triples from source relational tables using R2RML*, supported by Oracle RDF Knowledge Graph
Improve search and provide data provenance	SPARQL endpoint for semantic search and analysis <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Enables statisticians to run SPARQL* queries and use REST-based applications

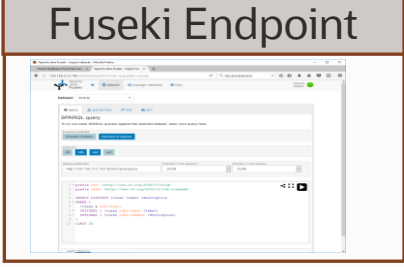
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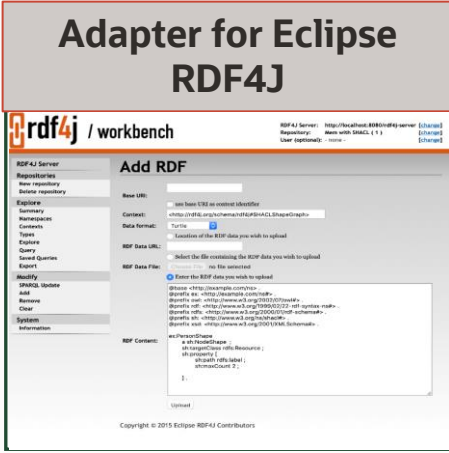
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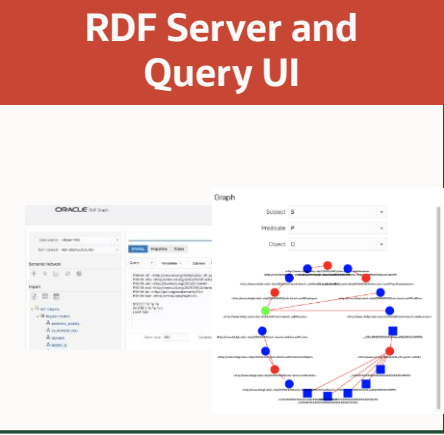
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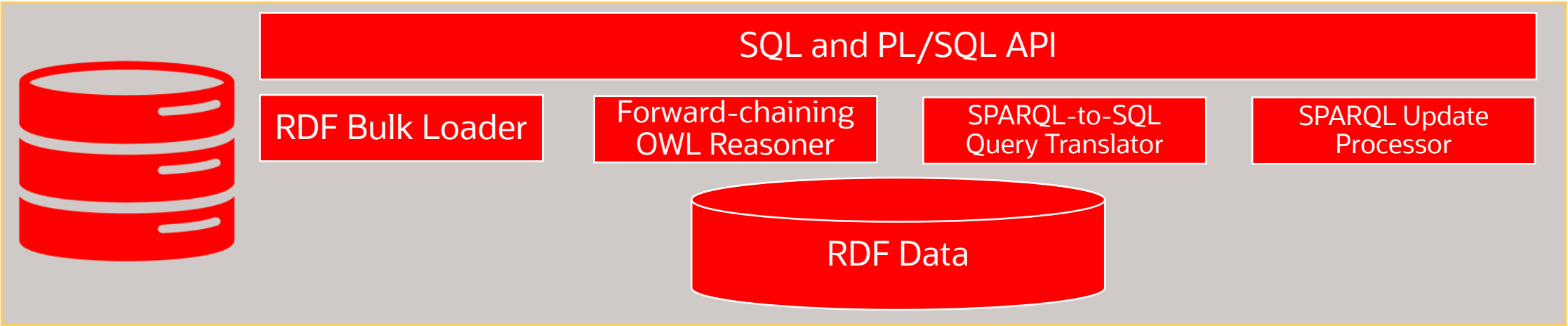
SQL Developer
RDF Support



RDF Server and
Query UI



Support for Apache Jena (Java API)



Inferencing using Rule Bases



- Oracle provides native inference in the database for
 - RDFS, RDFS++
 - **OWLPRIME, OWL2RL, OWL2EL, SKOSCORE**
 - User-defined rules
- Inference done using forward chaining
 - Triples inferred and stored ahead of query time

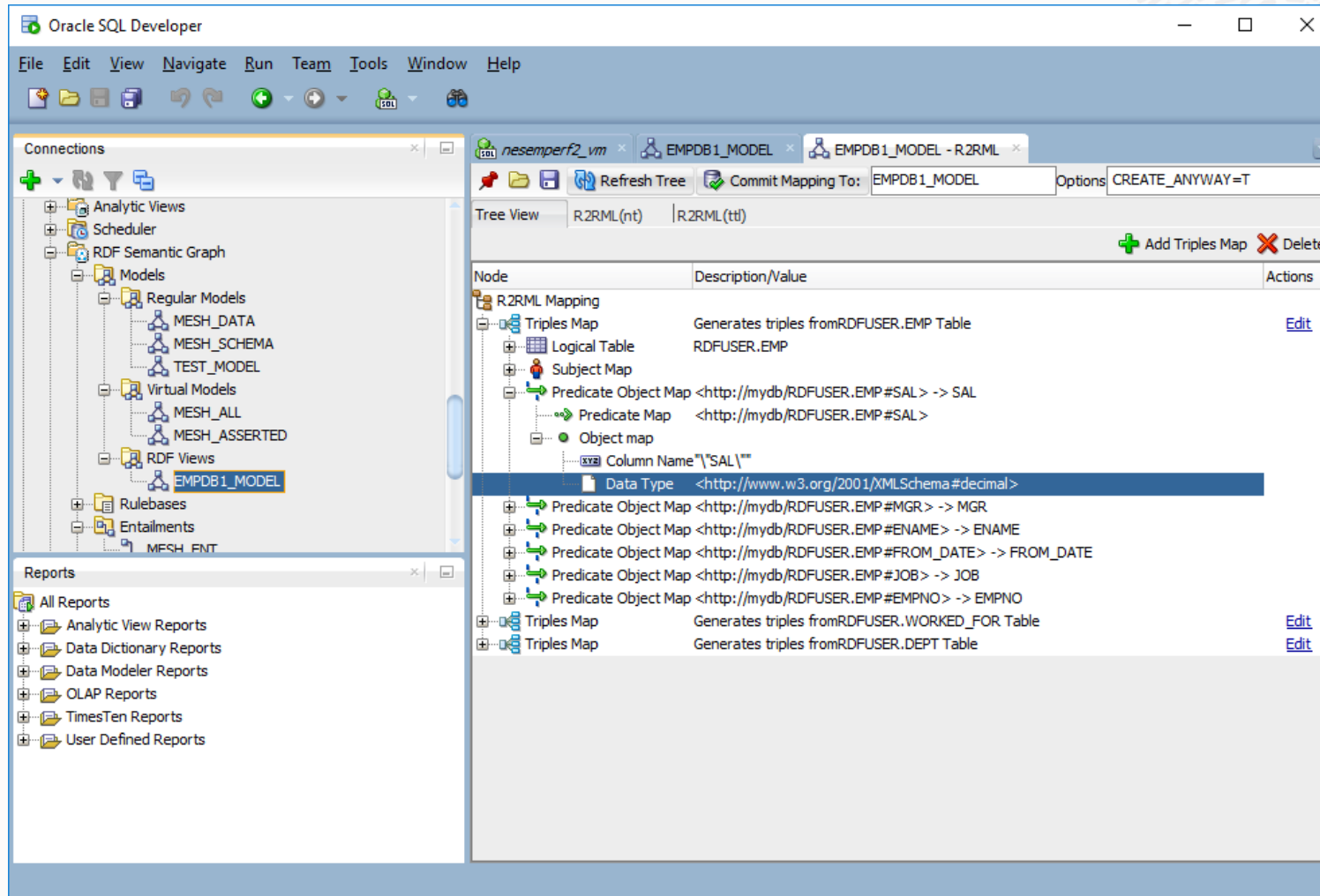
Querying using SPARQL

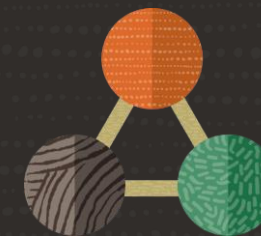
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PREFIX foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>
PREFIX vcard: <http://www.w3.org/2001/vcard-rdf/3.0#>
PREFIX xsd: <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#>
SELECT ?n ?b ?g
WHERE {
    ?p foaf:name ?n .
    ?p vcard:BDAY ?b .
    ?p foaf:gender ?g
    FILTER ( ?b < "2000-01-01"^^xsd:date )
}
```


Querying using SQL with SPARQL embedded

```
SELECT n, b, g
FROM TABLE( SEM_MATCH('
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PREFIX xsd: <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#>
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}' ,
SEM_MODELS('M1'), ... );
```

SQL Developer supporting RDF Knowledge Graphs





More information



Useful resources



- Youtube channels
 - Analytics and Data TechCasts
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 - Exchanging Energy Data powered by Knowledge Graph
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 - Integrating Data Silos with Linked Data in Oracle Database, Martien Vos
www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qh3llcuXHbY
- Blogs & articles
 - Oracle A-Team
www.ateam-oracle.com/search.html?contentType=Blog-Post&default=%22Knowledge%20Graph%22*

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