

LINKED DATA FOR CLINICAL TRIALS

HANDS-ON WORKSHOP

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Workshop Files, Presentation PDF:

<https://github.com/phuse-org/LinkedDataWorkshop/CSS2018>

(for later)

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- 0. (very brief) Introduction to Linked Data
- 1. Create a Study Graph
- 2. Query Graph Data
- 3. Ontology and Inference
- 4. Merge Studies
- 5. Linked Data in the Real World

PREPARATION

- Your laptop [Power up!]
- Copy of:
 1. Exercises
 2. Graph Editor Introduction
 3. Info sheet
 4. SPARQL reference
- Log in to Cloud Server

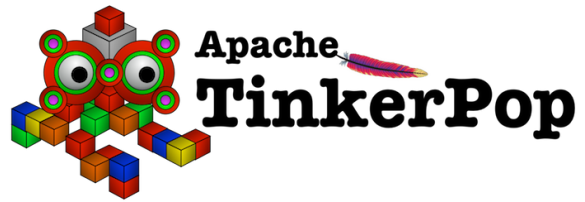
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DIFFERENT TYPES OF LINKED DATA

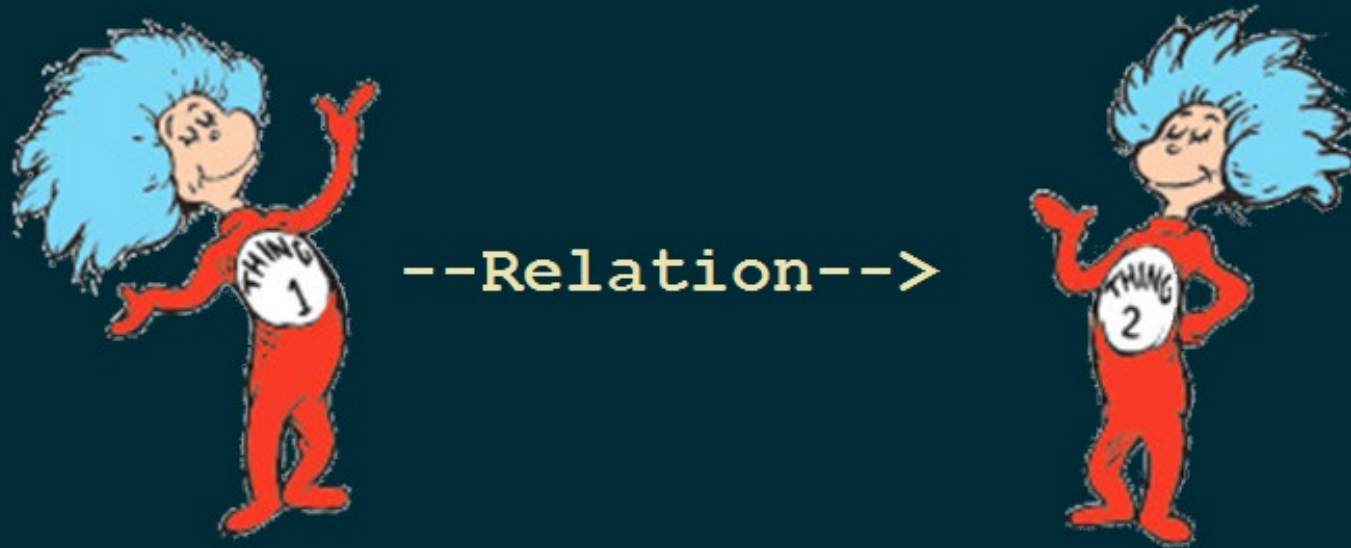
Property Graph



Resource Description Framework (RDF)



DATA AS A GRAPH?





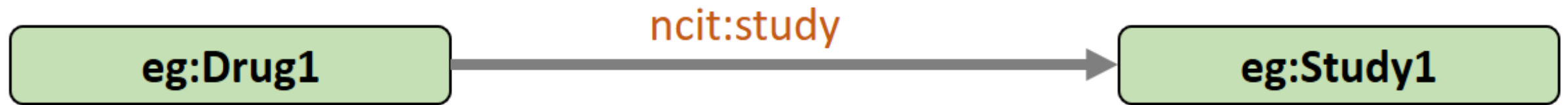
Identifier

Person 1

Key=Value Pair

givenName='Bob'

“ Person1 *has given name* 'Bob' ”



Identifier

Drug 1

Key=Value Pair

study=Study1

“ Drug1 *has study* Study 1”

eg:Drug1

ncit:Phase3

ncit:study

ncit:phase

eg:Study1

1

2

"THINGS" NEED UNIQUE IDENTIFIERS

IRI: INTERNATIONALIZED RESOURCE IDENTIFIER

- Unique Identifier
- Uses HTTP://xx.xx.xx/**XXXX**

<http://www.example.org/LDW#Drug1>

<http://www.example.org/LDW#Study1>

<http://ncicb.nci.nih.gov/xml/owl/EVS/Thesaurus.owl#study>

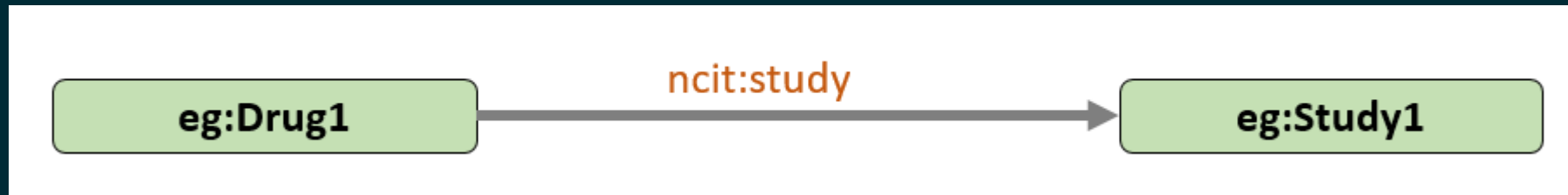
WORKSHOP PREFIXES

- Prefixes shorten IRIs for readability

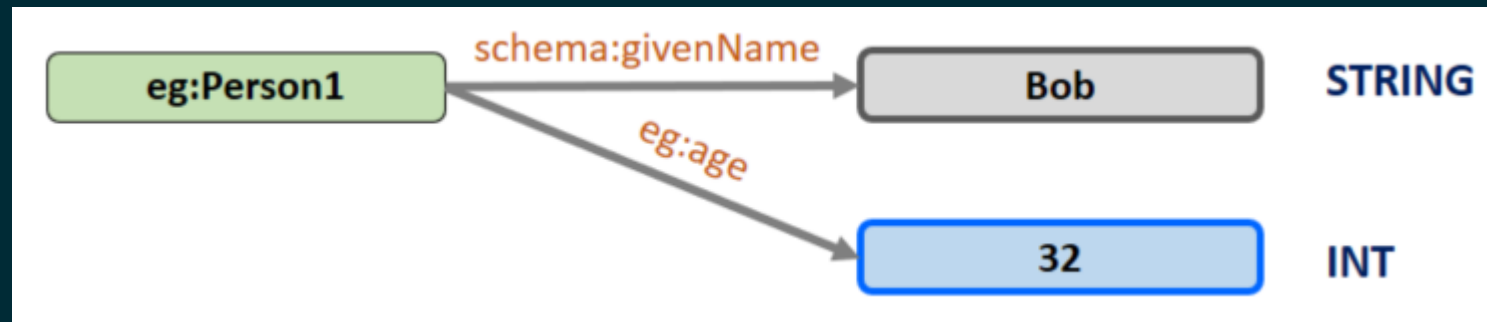
```
@prefix eg: <http://example.org/LDWorkshop#> .
```

```
@prefix ncit: <http://ncicb.nci.nih.gov/xml/owl/EVS/Thesaurus.owl#> .
```

```
@prefix schema: <http://schema.org/> .
```



LITERALS

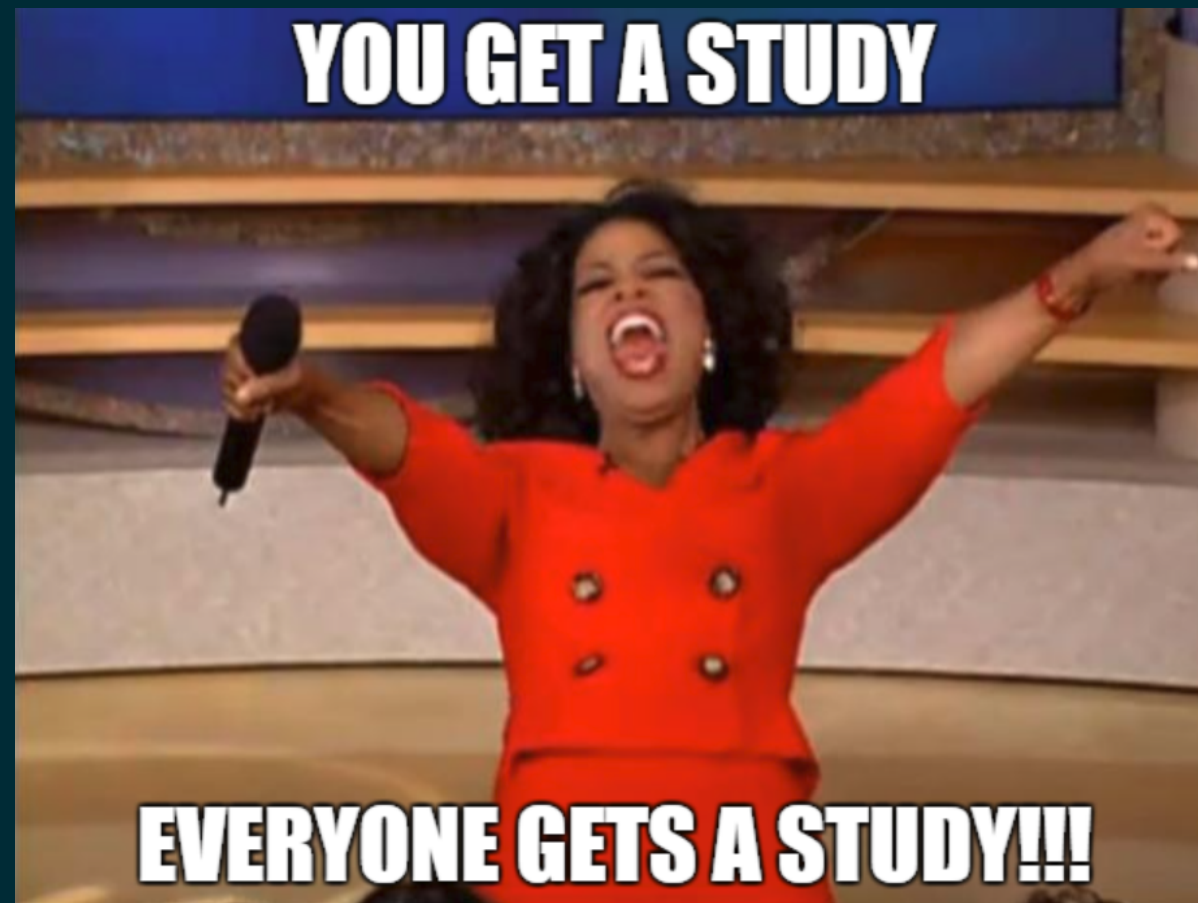


- *string*
- number
 - *integer (INT)*
- date

No links *from* a literal

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INTRODUCTION TO THE GRAPH EDITOR

Reference: .../doc/Graph Editor Introduction.pdf

CASE

NODES

eg:Study<n>

eg:TrtArm<n>-<x>

eg:Person<n><y>

eg:PlaceboArm

eg:LDExpert

ncit:Phase<z>

ncit:Male

ncit:Female

LINKS

eg:age

eg:LDExpert

eg:participatesIn

eg:randomizedTo

eg:trtArm

eg:trtArmType

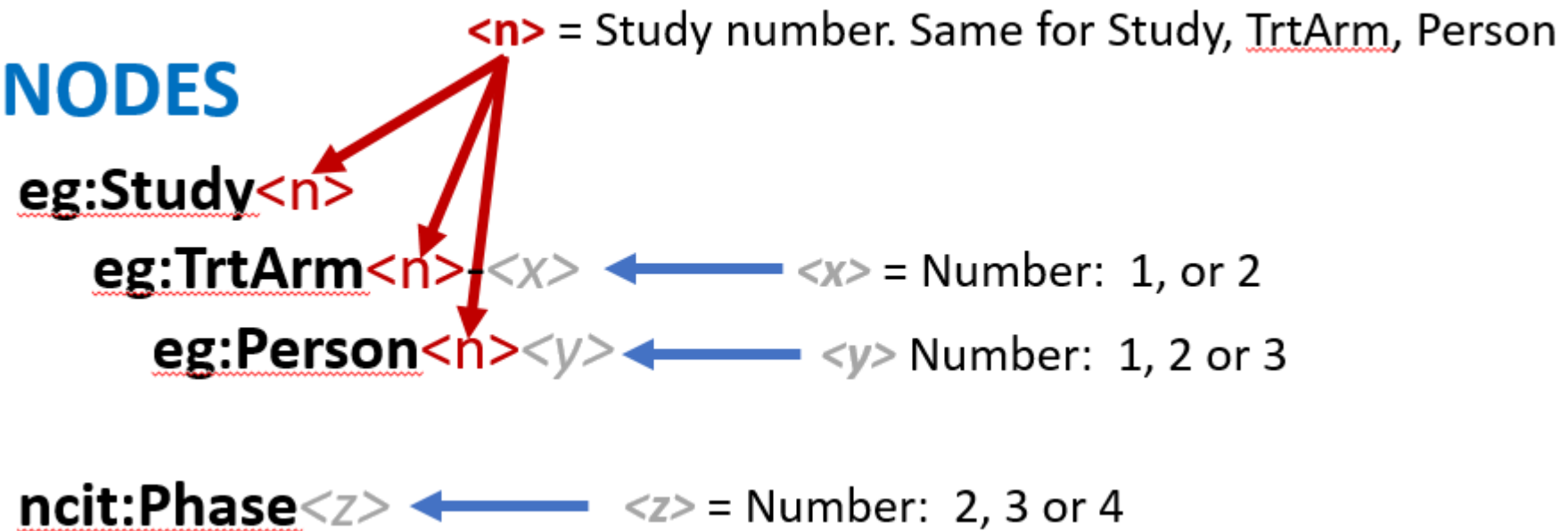
ncit:gender

ncit:phase

ncit:study

NUMBERING

NODES



EXERCISE

1. Create a Study Graph

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2. Query Graph Data

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Ontologies, Reasoners & Inference

Ontology

A vocabulary of things and how they relate to each other

- ...just more nodes and links
- Tools: Protege, TopBraid

Reasoner

An *engine* that applies the ontology to the graph and **infers** values and relationships not in your original data.

THINK ABOUT THAT AGAIN:

Ontologies and Reasoning create **values** and **relations** *not in your original data!*



StudyOntology.TTL

A SUBSET OF THE STUDY ONTOLOGY FILE

```
eg:drugProductName rdf:type owl:ObjectProperty ;
                    rdfs:domain eg:DrugProduct ;
                    rdfs:range eg:DrugProductName .

eg:participatesIn rdf:type owl:ObjectProperty ;
                  rdfs:domain eg:HumanStudySubject ;
                  rdfs:range ncit:Study .

eg:trtArm rdf:type owl:ObjectProperty ;
           rdfs:domain ncit:Study ;
           rdfs:range eg:TrtArm .

eg:trtArmType rdf:type owl:ObjectProperty ;
               rdfs:domain eg:TrtArm ;
               rdfs:range eg:TrtArmType .

#####
#   Classes
#####

### Products
eg:Product rdf:type owl:Class .

eg:DrugProduct rdf:type owl:Class ;
                rdfs:subClassOf eg:Product .

### Product Name
eg:ProductName rdf:type owl:Class .

eg:DrugProductName rdf:type owl:Class ;
                   rdfs:subClassOf eg:ProductName .

### Study
ncit:Study rdf:type owl:Class .

### Treatment Arms, Types
eg:TrtArm rdf:type owl:Class .

eg:TrtArmType rdf:type owl:Class .

### Person and Types of Persons
schema:Person rdf:type owl:Class .

eg:HumanStudySubject rdf:type owl:Class ;
                     rdfs:subClassOf schema:Person .
```



1.

Reasoner sees relation:

```
eg:participatesIn rdf:type owl:ObjectProperty ;  
rdfs:domain eg:HumanStudySubject ;  
rdfs:range ncit:Study .
```



2.

Reasoner *Infers*:



This is a HumanStudySubject

This is a **Study**



3.

Therefore:



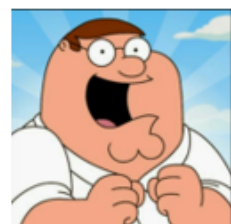


1.
Reasoner sees Ontology
has classes and subclasses

```
eg:HumanStudySubject rdf:type owl:Class ;  
    rdfs:subClassOf schema:Person .
```



- 2.
- Thing
 - Person
 - HumanStudySubject



3.
Therefore:
- This is a **HumanStudySubject**, **Person**, and **Thing**



EXERCISE

3. Ontology and Inference

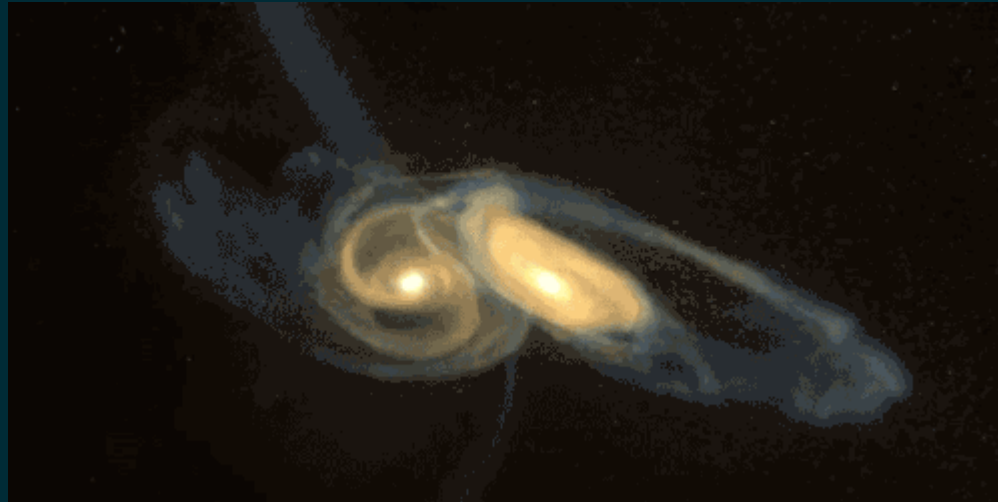
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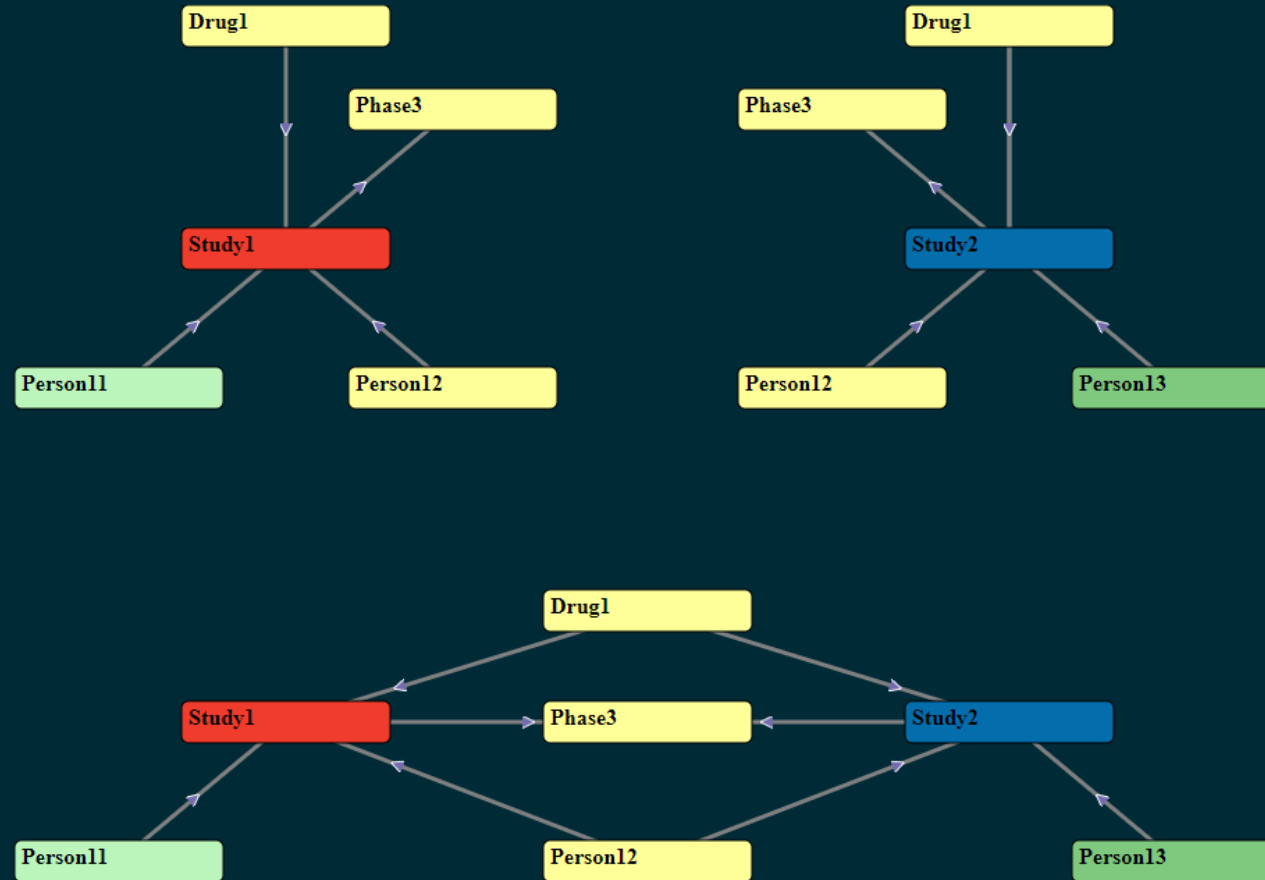


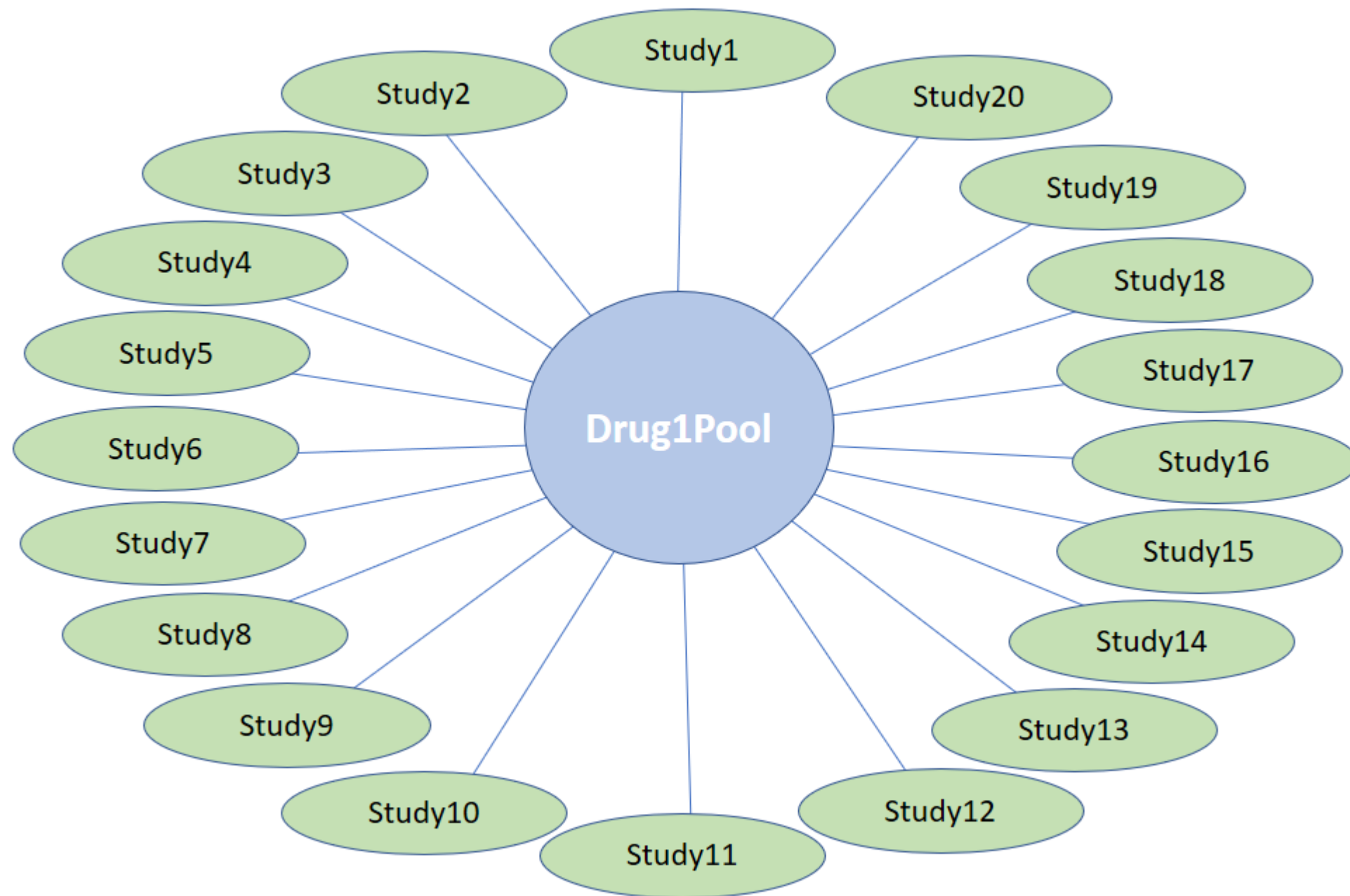
WITH RDF, MERGING BE LIKE:



What? How?

GRAPH MERGE





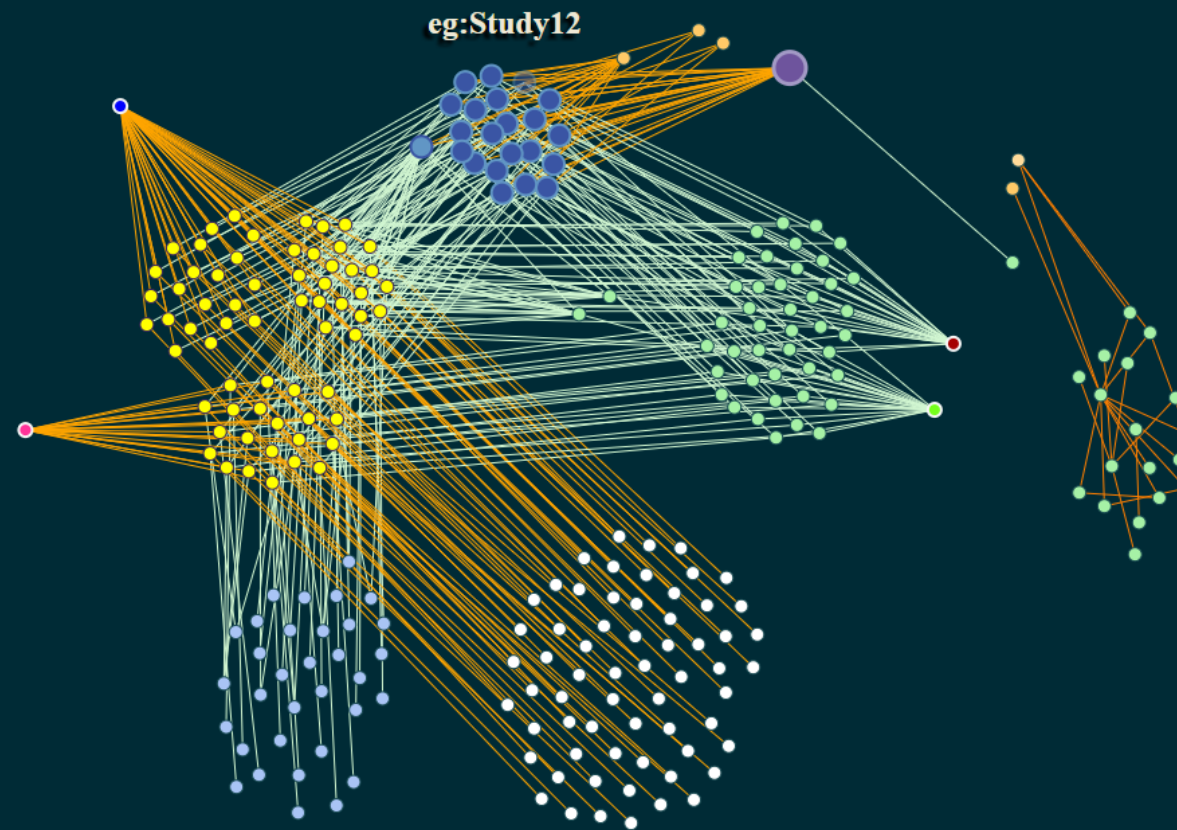
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4. Merge Studies

DRUG 1 POOL

Network Graph

DRUG 1 DATA POOL



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BUT SECOND: RESOURCES

- Workshop materials, including the Graph Editor, SPARQL scripts, PDF of this presentation:
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RESOURCES

Introduction to
Semantic Web

<https://www-stage.cambridgesemantics.com/semantic-university/introduction-semantic-web>

What is Linked Data?

<https://www-stage.cambridgesemantics.com/semantic-university/what-linked-data>

Introduction to
Linked data

<https://www-stage.cambridgesemantics.com/semantic-university/introduction-linked-data>

LINKED DATA IN THE REAL WORLD

StarDog Union

EXTRA SLIDES

SDTM CAN BE IMPROVED

	studyid Study Identifier	domain	usubjid Unique Subject Identifier	vsseq
1	CDISCPILLOT01	VS	01-701-1015	1
2	CDISCPILLOT01	VS	01-701-1015	2
3	CDISCPILLOT01	VS	01-701-1015	3
4	CDISCPILLOT01	VS	01-701-1015	4
5	CDISCPILLOT01	VS	01-701-1015	5

	studyid Study Identifier	domain	usubjid	subjid Subject
8	CDISCPILLOT01	DM	01-701-1015	1015
9	CDISCPILLOT01	DM	01-701-1023	1023
10	CDISCPILLOT01	DM	01-701-1028	1028
11	CDISCPILLOT01	DM	01-701-1033	1033
12	CDISCPILLOT01	DM	01-701-1034	1034
13	CDISCPILLOT01	DM	01-701-1047	1047
14	CDISCPILLOT01	DM	01-701-1057	1057

- Non-extensible, two dimensional
- Data repetition
- Terminology, codes not linked
- *Version Conversion*: time, \$£€
- Does not model study entities
- Lacks integral metadata
- ... and more.
- **26% of CDER SDTM applications: at least 1 error**

OPPORTUNITIES

- Merge data from diverse sources (no silos!)
- Data integration across the life cycle
- Integral Metadata
- High quality submissions data
- New ways to explore and analyze
- Build a foundation for AI and ML
- [!! YOUR IMAGINATION !!]