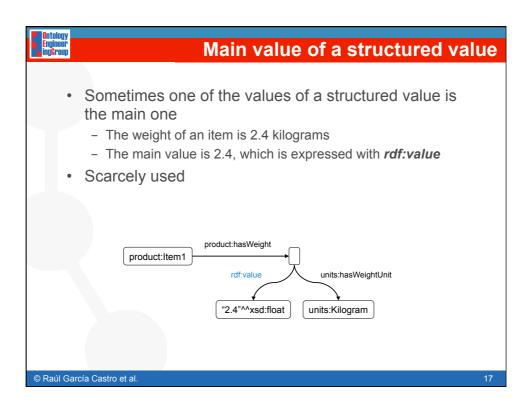


# **RDF Reification** RDF statements about other RDF statements "Raúl believes that Oscar's birthdate is on Feb 2nd, 1976 and that his e-mail address is ocorcho@fi.upm.es" Expressed using *rdf:Statement*, *rdf:subject*, rdf:predicate, and rdf:object people:Oscar modal:believes properties:hasEmailAddress properties:hasBirthDate people:Raul "1976-02-02"^^xsd:date "ocorcho@fi.upm.es" **RDF** Reification Allows expressing beliefs (and other modalities) - Allows expressing trust models, digital signatures, etc. - Allows expressing metadata about metadata © Raúl García Castro et al.



RDF vocabulary sun			
Classes	Properties	Individuals	
Classification			
rdf:Property	rdf:type		
Containers			
rdf:Bag	rdf:_1, rdf:_2, rdf:_3		
rdf:Seq			
rdf:Alt			
Collections			
rdf:List	rdf:first	rdf:nil	
	rdf:rest		
Reification			
rdf:Statement	rdf:subject		
	rdf:predicate		
	rdf:object		
Values			
rdf:XMLLiteral	rdf:value		



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# **RDF Serialisations**

- Normative
  - RDF/XML (www.w3.org/TR/rdf-syntax-grammar/)
- Working Draft (9 August 2011)
  - Turtle (http://www.w3.org/TR/turtle/)
- Alternative (for human consumption)
  - **N3** (http://www.w3.org/DesignIssues/Notation3.html)
  - TriX (http://www.w3.org/2004/03/trix/)
  - ..
- **Important:** the RDF serializations allow different syntactic variants.
  - E.g., the order of RDF statements has no meaning

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```
RDF Serialisations. RDF/XML
                                   people:hasColleague
                                                                         people:hasColleague
                 people:Oscar
                                                         people:Asun
                                                                                               people:Raul
                          people:hasName
                                                                 people:hasHomePage
                                                  http://www.oeg-upm.net/
             "Óscar Corcho García"
  <?xml version="1.0"?>
       <rdf:RDF
            xmlns:rdf="http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#"
           xmlns:person="http://www.ontologies.org/ontologies/people#"
xmlns="http://www.oeg-upm.net/ontologies/people#"
            xml:base="http://www.oeg-upm.net/ontologies/people">
         <rdf:Property rdf:about="http://www.ontologies.org/ontologies/people#hasHomePage"/>
         rdf:Property rd:about="http://www.ontologies.org/ontologies/people#hasomerage"/>
rdf:Property rdf:about="http://www.ontologies.org/ontologies/people#hasomer"/>
rdf:Property rdf:about="http://www.ontologies.org/ontologies/people#hasName"/>
         <rdf:Description rdf:about="#Raul"/>
<rdf:Description rdf:about="#Asun">
            <person:hasColleague rdf:resource="#Raul"/>
         <person:hasHomePage>http://www.fi.upm.es</person:hasHomePage>
</rdf:Description>
         </rdf:Description>
       </rdf:RDF>
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```

```
Turtle. URIs, blank nodes, literals

    URIs

        Enclosed in <>
           <URI>
           @prefix prefix <http://...>
prefix:name

    Blank Nodes

           :name
           [] for a Blank Node used once
       Literals
           "Literal"
           "Literal"@language
           """Long literal with newlines"""
        Datatyped Literals
         "lexical form"^^datatype URI
           "10"^^xsd:integer
           "2006-09-04"^^xsd:date
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Turtle. Triples and abbreviations

• Triples separated by .

:a :b :c . :d :e :f .

• Common triple predicate and subject:

:a :b :c, :d .

which is the same as :a :b :c . :a :b :d .

• Common triple subject:

:a :b :c; :d :e .

which is the same as: :a :b :c . :a :d :e .

• Blank node as a subject

:a :b [:c :d].

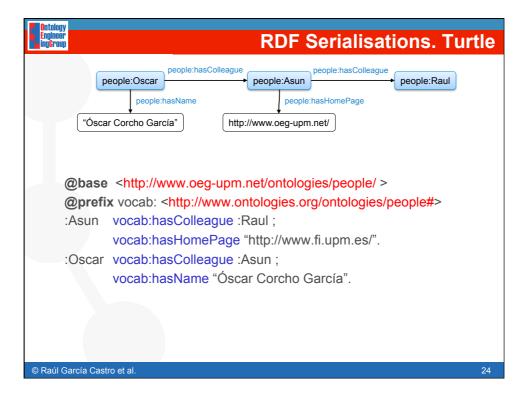
which is the same as: :a :b _:x . _:x :c :d .

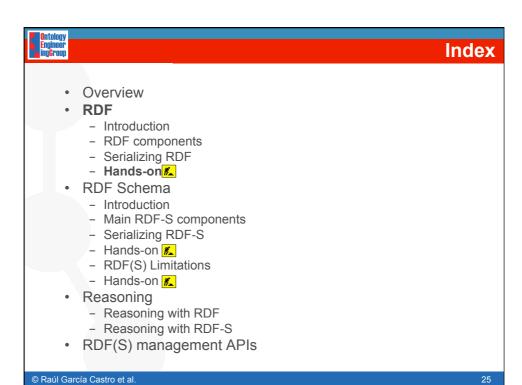
for blank node _:x

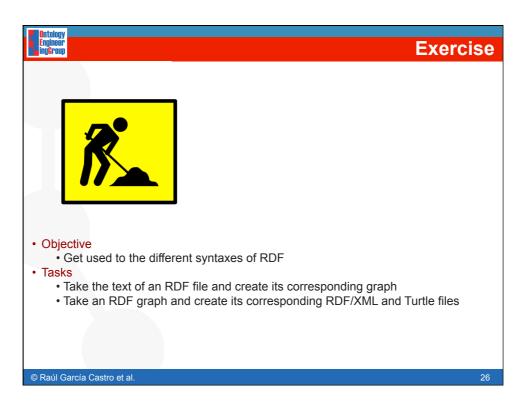
• RDF collections

- :a -:b (:c :d :e :f).

which is short for many triples
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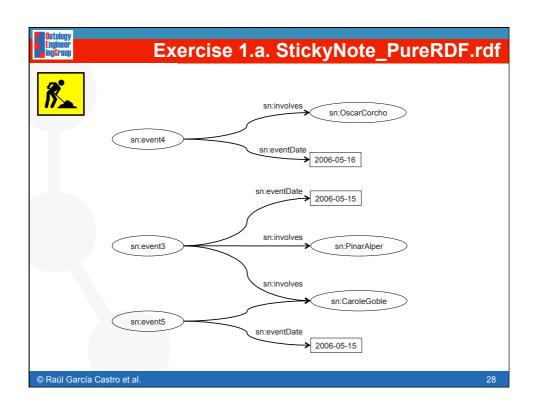


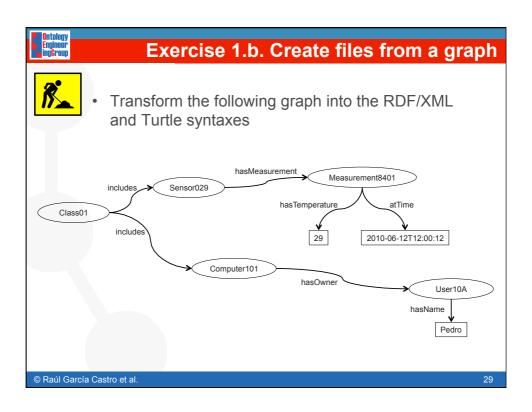
# Exercise 1.a. Create a graph from a file

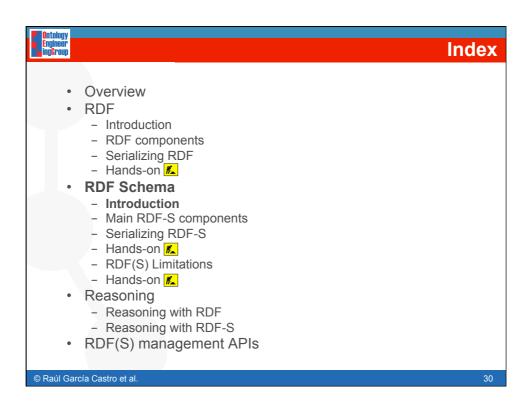


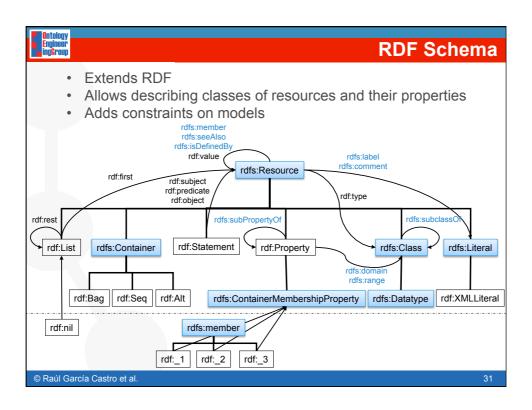
- Open the file StickyNote\_PureRDF.rdf
- · Create the corresponding graph from it
- Compare your graph with those of your colleagues

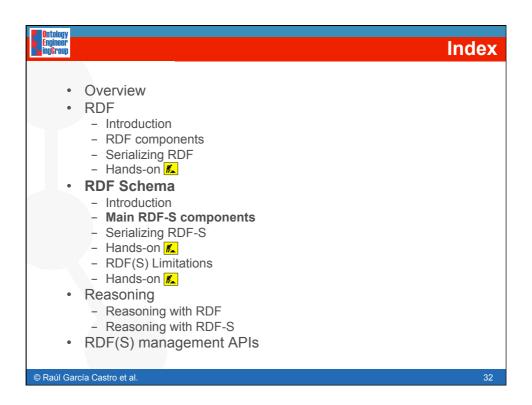
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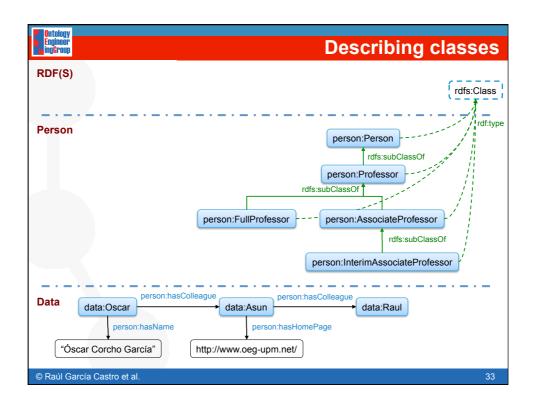


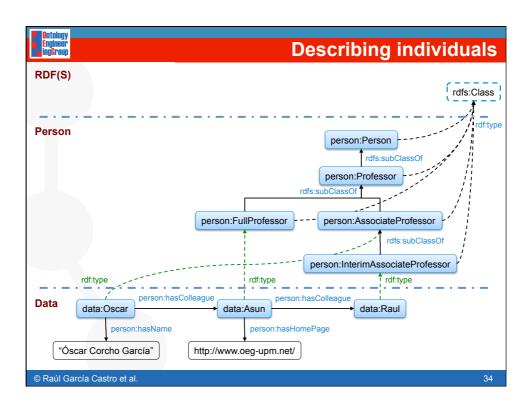


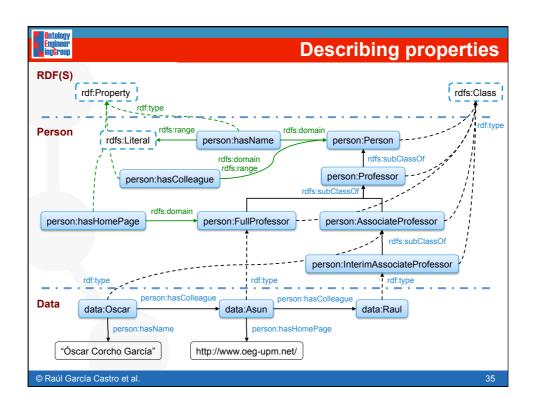


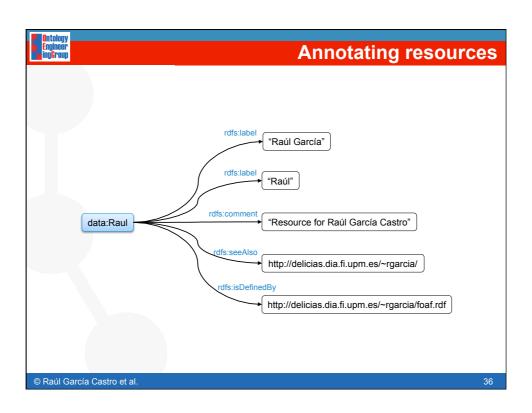




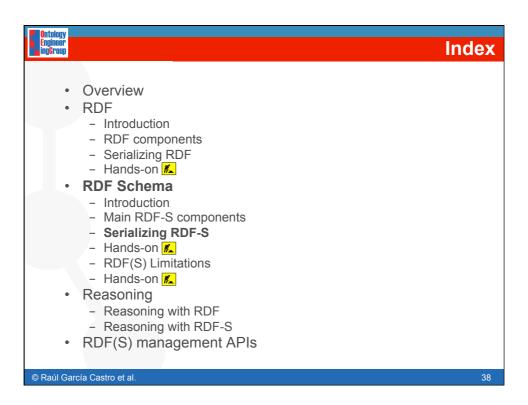








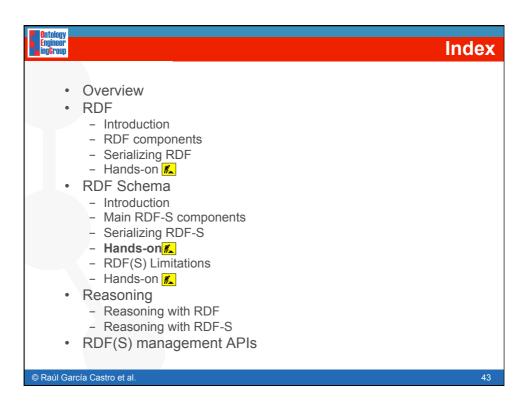
RDF-S vocabulary summ		
Classes	Properties	Individuals
Classification		
rdfs:Resource	rdfs:subClassOf	
rdfs:Class		
Properties		
	rdfs:domain	
	rdfs:range	
	rdfs:subPropertyOf	
Datatypes		
rdfs:Literal		
rdfs:Datatype		
Containers		
rdfs:Container	rdfs:member	
rdfs:ContainerMembershipProperty		
Annotation		
	rdfs:label	
	rdfs:comment	
	rdfs:seeAlso	
	rdfs:isDefinedBy	

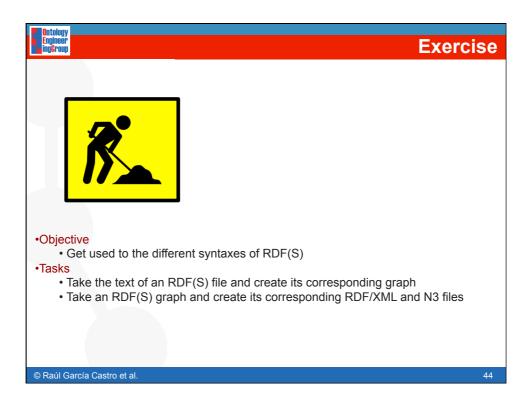


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Turtle syntax (2/2)
       :Person a rdfs:Class .
       :Professor a rdfs:Class;
             rdfs:subClassOf :Person .
       :FullProfessor a rdfs:Class;
               rdfs:subClassOf:Professor.
       :AssociateProfessor a rdfs:Class;
                  rdfs:subClassOf :Professor .
       :InterimAssociateProfessor a rdfs:Class ;
                       rdfs:subClassOf :AssociateProfessor .
       :Asun a :FullProfessor ;
          :hasHomePage "http://www.fi.upm.es";
          :hasColleague :Raul .
       :Oscar a :AssociateProfessor;
           :hasName "Oscar Corcho García";
           :hasColleague :Asun .
       :Raul a :InterimAssociateProfessor .
                                                                             a is equivalent to rdf:type
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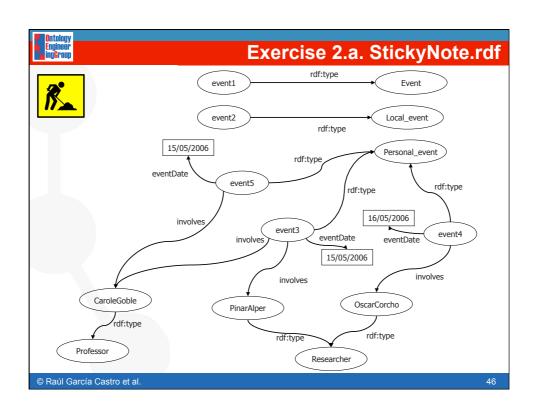


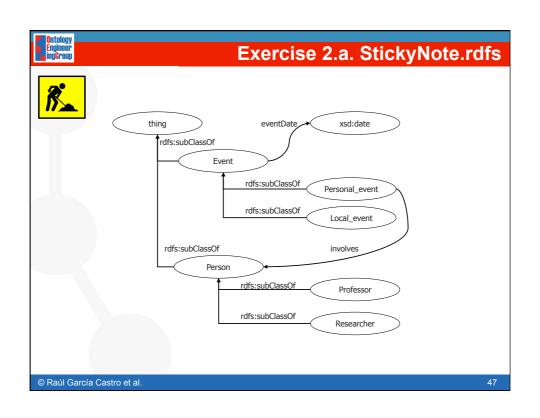
# Exercise 2.a. Create a graph from a file

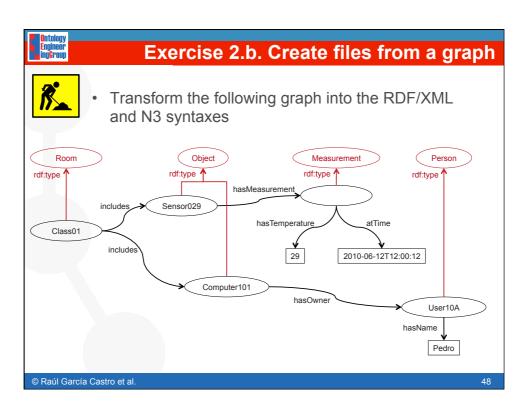


- · Open the files StickyNote.rdf and StickyNote.rdfs
- Create the corresponding graph from them
- Compare your graph with those of your colleagues

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# **RDF(S) limitations**

- RDFS too weak to describe resources in sufficient detail
  - No localised range and domain constraints
    - Can't say that the range of hasChild is person when applied to persons and elephant when applied to elephants
  - No existence/cardinality constraints
    - Can't say that all instances of person have a mother that is also a
      person, or that persons have exactly 2 parents
  - No boolean operators
    - Can't say or, not, etc.
  - No transitive, inverse or symmetrical properties
    - Can't say that isPartOf is a transitive property, that hasPart is the inverse of isPartOf or that touches is symmetrical
- Difficult to provide reasoning support
  - No "native" reasoners for non-standard semantics
  - May be possible to reason via FOL axiomatisation

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### **Exercise**



#### Objective

- Understand the features of RDF(S) for implementing ontologies, including its limitations
- •Tasks
  - From a domain description, create the RDF(S) graph
    - First only include the vocabulary from the domain
    - Then include references to the RDF and RDFS vocabularies

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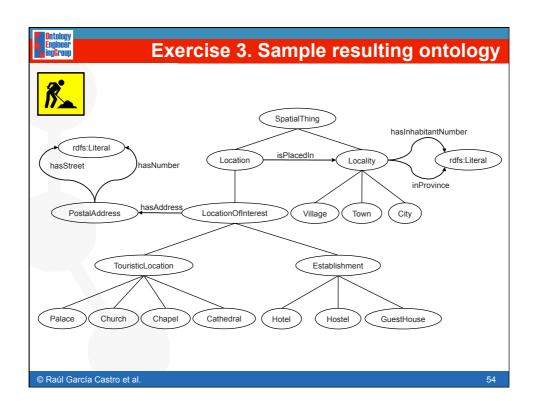


# **Exercise 3. Domain description**



- A certain location can be a location of interest.
- Locations of interest can be touristic locations or establishments, but not both at the same time.
- Touristic locations can be palaces, churches, chapels, and cathedrals.
- Establishments can be hotels, hostels, or guest houses.
- A location is placed in a locality, which can be in turn a town, a village, or a city.
- A location of interest has some postal address that includes the street name and number.
- Localities have a certain number of inhabitants.
- Localities belong to a certain province.
- Covarrubias is a village with 634 inhabitants in the province of Burgos.
- The "El Galo" restaurant is placed in Covarrubias, in Mayor street, number 5.
- One of Covarrubias' churches is at Santo Tomas street.

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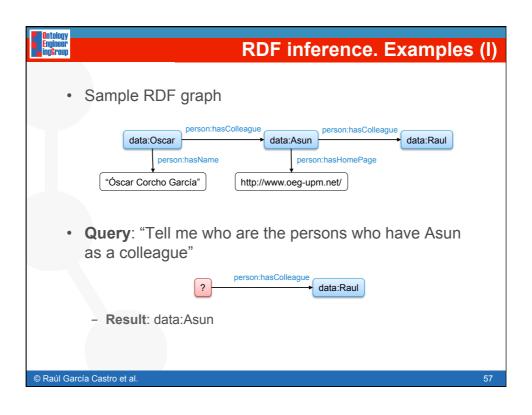
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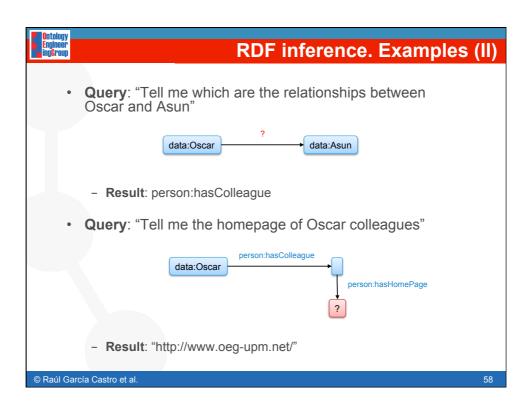


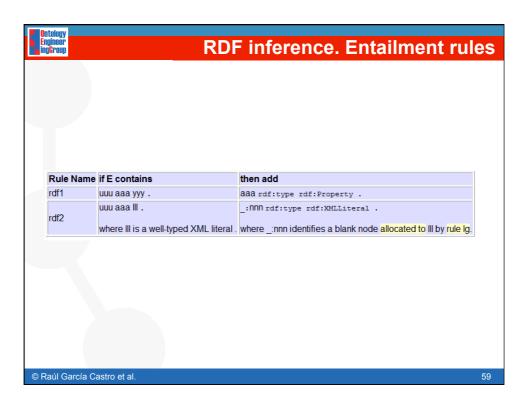
# RDF inference. Graph matching techniques

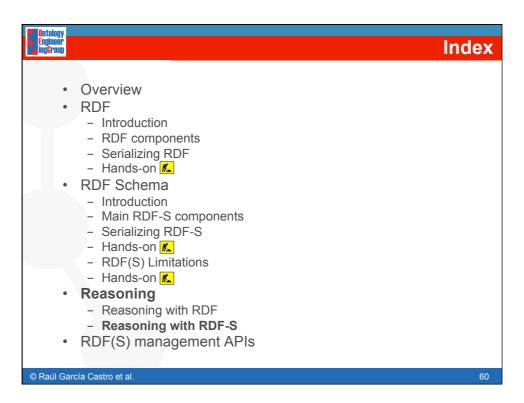
- RDF inference is based on graph matching techniques
- Basically, the RDF inference process consists of the following steps:
  - Transform an RDF query into a template graph that has to be matched against the RDF graph
    - It contains constant and variable nodes, and constant and variable edges between nodes
  - Match against the RDF graph, taking into account constant nodes and edges
  - Provide a solution for variable nodes and edges

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Rule Name	If E contains:	then add:
rdfs1	uuu aaa III. where III is a plain literal (with or without a language tag).	_:nnn rdf:type rdfs:Literal .  where :nnn identifies a blank node allocated to III by rule rule Ig
rdfs2	aaa rdfs:domain XXX . uuu aaa yyy .	UUU rdf:type XXX .
rdfs3	aaa rdfs:range XXX . uuu aaa vvv .	₩ rdf:type XXX .
rdfs4a	uuu aaa xxx .	UUU rdf:type rdfs:Resource .
rdfs4b	uuu aaa vw.	WW rdf:type rdfs:Resource .
rdfs5	UUU rdfs:subPropertyOf VW . VW rdfs:subPropertyOf XXX .	UUU rdfs:subPropertyOf XXX .
rdfs6	UUU rdf:type rdf:Property .	UUU rdfs:subPropertyOf UUU .
rdfs7	aaa rdfs:subPropertyOf bbb . uuu aaa yyy .	uuu bbb yyy .
rdfs8	UUU rdf:type rdfs:Class .	UUU rdfs:subClassOf rdfs:Resource .
rdfs9	UUU rdfs:subClassOf XXX . WW rdf:type UUU .	WW rdf:type XXX .
rdfs10	UUU rdf:type rdfs:Class .	UUU rdfs:subClassOf UUU .
rdfs11	UUU rdfs:subClassOf WW . WW rdfs:subClassOf XXX .	UUU rdfs:subClassOf XXX .
rdfs12	UUU rdf:type rdfs:ContainerMembershipProperty .	UUU rdfs:subPropertyOf rdfs:member .
rdfs13	UUU rdf:type rdfs:Datatype .	UUU rdfs:subClassOf rdfs:Literal .

ext1	UUU rdfs:domain WW . WW rdfs:subClassOf ZZZ .	UUU rdfs:domain ZZZ .
ext2	UUU rdfs:range WW . WW rdfs:subClassOf ZZZ .	UUU rdfs:range ZZZ .
ext3	UUU rdfs:domain VVV . WWW rdfs:subPropertyOf UUU .	WWW rdfs:domain VW .
ext4	UUU rdfs:range WW . WWW rdfs:subPropertyOf UUU .	WWW rdfs:range VVV .
ext5	rdf:type rdfs:subPropertyOf WWW . WWW rdfs:domain WV .	rdfs:Resource rdfs:subClassOf W
ext6	rdfs:subClassOf rdfs:subPropertyOf WWW . WWW rdfs:domain WV .	rdfs:Class rdfs:subClassOf W .
ext7	rdfs:subPropertyOf rdfs:subPropertyOf WWW . WWW rdfs:domain WV .	rdf:Property rdfs:subClassOf W .
ext8	rdfs:subClassOf rdfs:subPropertyOf WWW . WWW rdfs:range VW .	rdfs:Class rdfs:subClassOf W .
ext9	rdfs:subPropertyOf rdfs:subPropertyOf WWW . WWW rdfs:range VW .	rdf:Property rdfs:subClassOf WW .

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# **Sample RDF APIs**

- RDF libraries for different languages:
  - Java, Python, C, C++, C#, Net, Javascript, Tcl/Tk, PHP, Lisp, Obj-C, Prolog, Perl, Ruby, Haskell
  - List in http://esw.w3.org/topic/SemanticWebTools
- Usually related to a RDF repository
- Multilanguage:
  - Redland RDF Application Framework (C, Perl, PHP, Python and Ruby): http://www.redland.opensource.ac.uk/
- - Jena: http://jena.sourceforge.net/
  - Sesame: http://www.openrdf.org/
- PHP:
  - RAP RDF API for PHP: http://www4.wiwiss.fu-berlin.de/bizer/rdfapi/
- Python:

  - RDFLib: http://rdflib.net/Pyrple: http://infomesh.net/pyrple/

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#### Jena

- Java framework for building Semantic Web applications
- Open source software from HP Labs
- The Jena framework includes:
  - A RDF API
  - An OWL API
  - Reading and writing RDF in RDF/XML, N3 and N-Triples
  - In-memory and persistent storage
  - A rule based inference engine
  - SPARQL query engine

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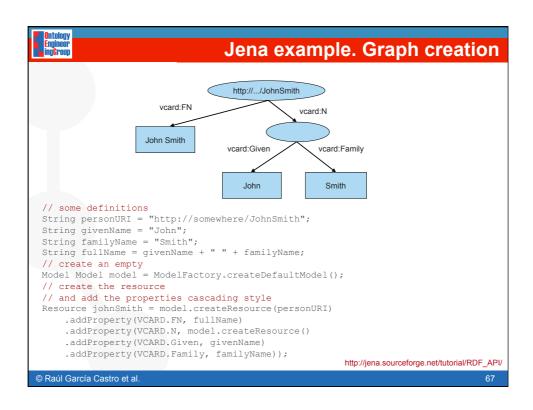
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# Sesame

- A framework for storage, querying and inferencing of RDF and RDF Schema
- A Java Library for handling RDF
- A Database Server for (remote) access to repositories of RDF data
- Highly expressive query and transformation languages
  - SeRQL, SPARQL
- Various backends
  - Native Store
  - RDBMS (MySQL, Oracle 10, DB2, PostgreSQL)
  - Main memory
- Reasoning support
  - RDF Schema reasoner
  - OWL DLP (OWLIM)
  - Domain reasoning (custom rule engine)

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Jena example. Read and write
 // create an empty model
Model model = ModelFactory.createDefaultModel();
// use the FileManager to find the input file
InputStream in = FileManager.get().open(inputFileName);
if (in == null) {
    throw new IllegalArgumentException("File not found");
// read the RDF/XML file
                                 xmlns:rdf='http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#'
model.read(in, "");
                                xmlns:vcard='http://www.w3.org/2001/vcard-rdf/3.0#'
// write it to standard out
                                <rdf:Description rdf:nodeID="A0">
model.write(System.out);
                                  <vcard:Family>Smith</vcard:Family>
                                  <vcard:Given>John</vcard:Given>
                                 </rdf:Description>
                                 <rdf:Description rdf:about='http://somewhere/JohnSmith/'>
                                  <vcard:FN>John Smith</vcard:FN>
                                   <vcard:N rdf:nodeID="A0"/>
                                 </rdf:Description>
                               </rdf:RDF>
                                                           http://jena.sourceforge.net/tutorial/RDF_API/
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# Some RDF editors

- IsaViz
  - http://www.w3.org/2001/11/lsaViz/
- Morla
  - http://www.morlardf.net/
- RDFAuthor
  - http://rdfweb.org/people/damian/RDFAuthor/
- RdfGravity
  - http://semweb.salzburgresearch.at/apps/rdf-gravity/index.html
- Rhodonite
  - http://rhodonite.angelite.nl/

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http://www.w3.org/TR/REC-rdf-syntax/

RDF validator:

http://www.w3.org/RDF/Validator/

· RDF resources:

http://planetrdf.com/guide/

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