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i2b2 impemented over SMART-on-FHIR

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Context EHR federation



- Multicenter research produces more powerfull results
- ▶ i2b2 has more than 200 implementations over the world
- Federation tools such Shrine, Insite, Trinetx federate multiple i2b2 instances
- → What about institutions without i2b2 ?



Data Velocity

ETL processes are time/space/humans consuming i2b2 needs a dedicated informatic team

Data Variety

Terminology Mapping tools in their infancy Big Data i2b2 star schema cannot handle

Data Volume

Big Data i2b2 star schema cannot handle Dedicated technology

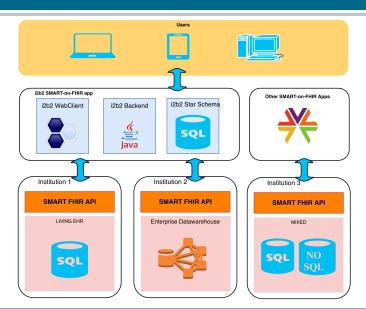
Solution SMART-on-FHIR



- ► FHIR = modern specifications on EHR data interchange
- ► SMART-on-FHIR = Collection of Apps how to plug on FHIR
- ► FHIR specifies both a Search & a Terminology Mapping API
- ► FHIR provides a uniform access to heterogeneous sources (living EHR, modern database...)
- ► EHR vendors are more & more FHIR conformant
- \rightarrow Let i2b2 be a SMART-on-FHIR app

Methods i2b2-FHIR







Change made to CRC cell

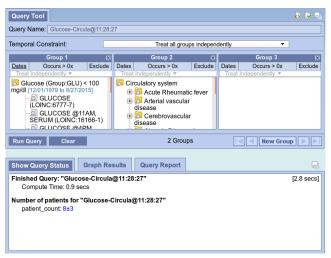
- New pm_cell_data entry to point to URL of FHIR
- By using the project_path can configure to use different FHIR API for different projects
- Easy to change without restarting i2b2
- ► Limited to one FHIR API per project

Change made to PM cell

- New class written that extends Panel Items
- Any ontology item that begins with FHIR is sent to the new class
- The Item Code, constraint value and date contraints are sent to the FHIR API
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Results Screenshot

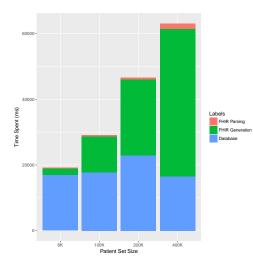




→ Mixed Query is Working (star schema/FHIR endpoint)

Results Benchmarks





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- FHIR generation step bottlneck
- under the minute
- sub-linear performances
- \rightarrow Bridging the gap (i2b2 / big-data platforms)

Discussion



Work done:

- ► Ontology Model
- Querying FHIR API
- Mixed star schema & FHIR API & No-SQL DBs

Roadmap:

- Oauth2 securisation
- Multiple FHIR endpoint
- Performance optimisations (parallel FHIR API calls)
- Release as a SMART-on-FHIR app

Conclusion



- ► Proof of concept done
- New area for Data federation
- New area for Massive data handling in place
- Work in progress to release in future i2b2 version

Thank you

Core i2b2 www.i2b2.org/software FHIR API https://github.com/parisni/i2b2-fhir-search FHIR i2b2 https://github.com/mikemendis/i2b2-fhir-search