# Towards a Semantic Web Toolkit in Haskell Querying RDF graphs & SPARQL construction

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#### Preamble

- Who I am...
  - Work @ Heriot Watt University
    - ★ PhD Fault tolerant, distributed-memory Haskell computing
    - ★ Researcher SerenA project (more on that later).
  - I'm on Twitter: @robstewartUK
  - ▶ I'm also on Google+: http://goo.gl/eL8zg
- What I'll talk about
  - ▶ The semantic web
  - Linked Open Data
  - Available Haskell libraries to poke at both
- LaTeX, Haskell & Java source code on GitHub: https://github.com/robstewart57/edlambda-semanticweb-haskell

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What is it?



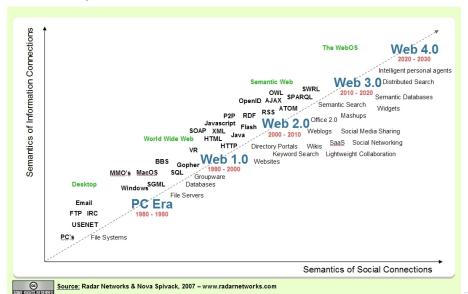
- A collaborative movement led by W3C
- Promotes common data formats
- Moving from unstructured documents into a web of data.
- "Web 3.0" is sometimes used as a synonym for the semantic web.

The Semantic Web provides a common framework that allows data to be shared and reused across application, enterprise, and community boundaries <sup>1</sup>.

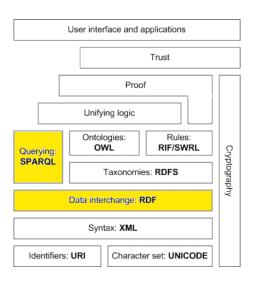
<sup>1&</sup>quot;W3C Semantic Web Activity". World Wide Web Consortium (W3C). November 7, 2011

#### Future of the Web

#### Web connectivity



#### Semantic Web Stack



#### Principles

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  - A disambiguation mechanism for distributed data
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- RDF statements consist of three parts:

Subject is the *resource* being described Predicate indicates a relationship with...

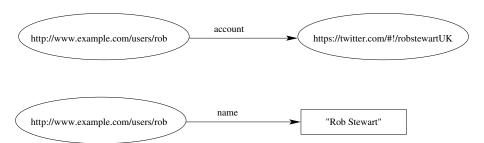
Object is either a resource or a *literal* 

▶ RDF can be serialised in XML, N3, Turtle and JSON².



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>though not yet standardised

#### Two RDF triples



Resource Description Framework serialised in XML

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<rdf:RDF
  xmlns:rdf="http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#"
  xmlns:foaf="http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/">
<rdf:RDF>
  <rdf:Description about="http://www.example.com/users/rob">
        <foaf:name>Rob Stewart</foaf:name>
        <foaf:account
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#### Key



Prefixes Subject Predicate

### SPARQL Protocol and RDF Query Language

- And RDF query language to retrieve and manipulate persisted RDF
- On 15th January 2008, SPARQL 1.0 became W3C recommendation
- Four query forms
  - SELECT Extracts raw values to a table format
  - CONSTRUCT Extracts raw values into RDF
  - ASK Queries for the existence of a triple
  - DESCRIBE Extracts triples where specified URI is subject

## The Semantic Web SPARQL SELECT

```
PREFIX foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>
SELECT ?name ?account
WHERE {
    ?person foaf:name ?name
    ?person foaf:account ?account
}
```

name	account	
"Rob Stewart"	<https://twitter.com/ $#$ !/robstewartUK>	

# The Semantic Web SPARQL DESCRIBE

DESCRIBE <http://www.example.com/users/rob>

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        </rdf:Description>
</rdf:RDF>
```

# The Semantic Web SPARQL CONSTRUCT

```
PREFIX foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>
PREFIX example: <http://www.example.org/onto/>
CONSTRUCT { ?person example:hasName ?name }
WHERE {
    ?person foaf:name ?name
}
```

name	account	
"Rob Stewart"	<https://twitter.com/ $#$ !/robstewartUK>	

## The Semantic Web SPARQL ASK

```
PREFIX foaf: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>
ASK { ?x foaf:name "Rob Stewart" }
```

Yes.

No.

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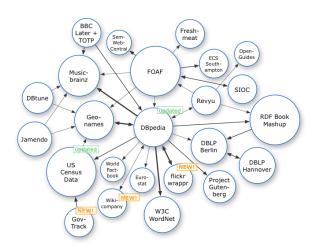
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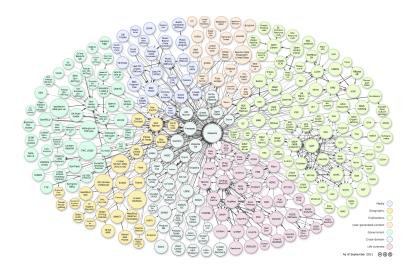
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- Linked Open Data!
  - LOD project aims to publish open data sets as RDF. Data sources include:
    - ⋆ DBpedia
    - ★ Geonames
    - ★ MusicBrainz
    - ★ DBLP

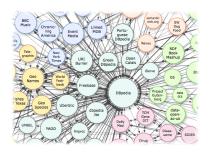
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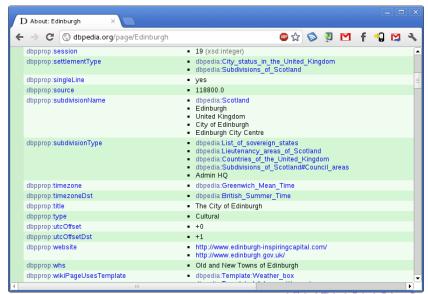


What is DBpedia?



- Extracts structured content from Wikipedia pages.
- Query relationships associated with Wikipedia resources...
- Including links to other semantic datasets (which is cool!).
- Describes 3.64 million things, including...
  - ▶ 416,000 persons
  - ▶ *526,000* places
  - ▶ and *169,000* organisations

Resource Example - http://dbpedia.org/resource/Edinburgh



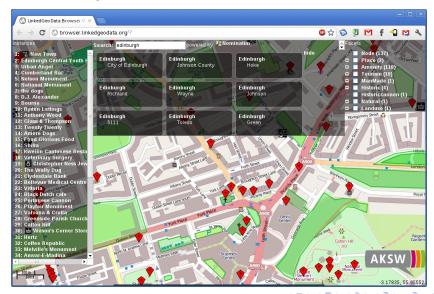
Linked Geo Data Project



- Effort to add spatial dimension to web of data
- Uses crowd sourced information from OpenStreetMap
- Interlinked resources with other knowledge bases on LOD network
- Information of 350 million nodes and 30 million ways. . .
- Resulting in over 2 billion triples!

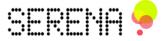


#### Linked Geo Data Project



## Linked Open Data - Project case study

SerenA - Chance Encounters in the Space of Ideas



- Homepage: http://www.serena.ac.uk
- Aims to bring closer people with ideas, places, relevant documents, people...resources!
- Presentation of ideas and resources, plus explanation of chain reasoning is *really* important for perceived **serendipity**.
- Implementation efforts are in progress. . .
  - Information seeking on cloud of Linked Open Data
  - ► Agent framework used for autonomous search and interface scheduling

For more implementation info: http://goo.gl/ZGsfJ

#### Semantic Web

#### Real World Applications

#### Web search

schema.org used by Microsoft, Google and Yahoo.

"A shared markup vocabulary makes easier for webmasters to decide on a markup schema and get the maximum benefit for their efforts" 3.

#### Retail

- http://www.bestbuy.com
  - ★ Exposes RDF describing their products
  - ★ 450,000 items, 60 triples per item... 27 million triples!

"Its easy to sell the top 20 products using keywords, but surfacing the long tail is where the data makes the difference." - Jay Myers, Best Buy 4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Best Buy Adopts RDF and the Open Web http://goo.gl/EWar



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>http://schema.org/

#### Semantic Web

#### JISC Monitoring Unit Data as RDF

- Project leader: Wilbert Kraan (@wilm on Twitter)
- JISCMU...

supports JISC policy and planning by providing a quality assurance role in monitoring the performance and use of JISC services. <sup>5</sup>

- Example full institute data as RDF/XML
  - http://data.jiscmu.ac.uk/rest/organisations/

```
SELECT ?Institution ?p ?o
WHERE{
?Institution a mu:Organisation .
?Institution mu:OfficialName "University of Edinburgh" .
?Institution ?p ?o . }
```



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>http://www.jiscmu.ac.uk/about/

### Semantic Web

#### Linked Data: JISC Institute data

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http://data.jiscmu.ac.uk/rest/organisations/id/83	mu:AlphabetisedName	Edinburgh, University of	
http://data.jiscmu.ac.uk/rest/organisations/id/83	mu:Country	Scotland	
http://data.jiscmu.ac.uk/rest/organisations/id/83	mu:Fax	0131 650 2147	
http://data.jiscmu.ac.uk/rest/organisations/id/83	mu:JiscBanding	A	
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http://data.jiscmu.ac.uk/rest/organisations/id/83	mu:LastChange	Join Organisation To	
http://data.jiscmu.ac.uk/rest/organisations/id/83	mu:MailPoint	Old College	
http://data.jiscmu.ac.uk/rest/organisations/id/83	mu:NetworkRegion	EaStMAN	
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## Semantic Web Toolkits

#### Semantic Web Toolkits

Popular Toolkits

#### **Functional languages**

- scardf (Scala)
- Wilbur (Common Lisp)
- Clojure-rdf (Clojure)
- (Nothing for Erlang?)

### (Other languages)

- Jena (Java)
- Sesame (Java)
- Redland (C)
- rdfquery (Javascript)
- RAP (php)
- SWI-Prolog (prolog)
- Many more...

#### Jena

A very popular semantic web framework in Java

"Semantic Web applications. Jena provides a collection of tools and Java libraries to help you to develop semantic web and linked-data apps, tools and servers."

- Support for serialisation of RDF in XML, N-triples and Turtle formats
- Ontology API for handling OWL and RDFS ontologies
- Rule-based inference engine for reasoning with RDF and OWL
- Query engine compliant with the latest SPARQL specification
- Lots more...

We'll be comparing RDF4H with Jena for RDF querying and manipulation.

#### Semantic Web Toolkits

Haskell packages

rdf4h is a library for working with RDF in Haskell.

hsparql includes a DSL to easily create queries, as well as methods to submit those queries to a SPARQL server, returning the results as simple Haskell data structures

swish is another library for working with RDF in Haskell. It explores Haskell as "a scripting language for the Semantic Web".

## Haskell libraries

## Looking at rdf4h

- Author Calvin Smith
- Maintainer Rob Stewart
- Source code
  - Rob (upstream)
    - ★ git clone git://github.com/robstewart57/rdf4h.git

# Semantic Web Toolkits RDF4H

rdf4h is a library for working with RDF in Haskell.

- Supports parsing and serialisation of file formats:
  - N-Triples
  - Turtle
  - XML
- Provides type representation of:
  - RDF triples
  - Prefix mappings; namespaces . . .
- Querying over data:
  - Sorting triples
  - Finding resources
  - Isomorphic graph equality
  - And other stuff...

### RDF4H

#### **Types**

```
data Triple =
      Triple !Node !Node !Node
type Triples = [Triple]
type Subject = Node
type Predicate = Node
type Object = Node
data Node =
  -- | An RDF URI reference. See
  -- <http://www.w3.org/TR/rdf-concepts/#section-Graph-URIref> for more
  -- information.
  UNode !T.Text
  -- | An RDF blank node. See
  -- <http://www.w3.org/TR/rdf-concepts/#section-blank-nodes> for more
  -- information.
  | BNode !T.Text
  -- | An RDF blank node with an auto-generated identifier, as used in
  -- Turtle.
    BNodeGen !Int
```

### RDF4H

#### RDF type class

```
class RDF rdf where
  -- Return the base URL of this graph, if any.
  baseUrl :: rdf → Mavbe BaseUrl
  -- Return the prefix mappings defined for this graph, if any.
  prefixMappings :: rdf → PrefixMappings
  -- | Merges specified prefix mappings with the existing mappings
  addPrefixMappings :: rdf \rightarrow PrefixMappings \rightarrow Bool \rightarrow rdf
  -- Return an empty RDF graph.
  emptv :: rdf
  -- Return a graph containing all the given triples.
  {\tt mkRdf} :: Triples 	o Maybe BaseUrl 	o PrefixMappings 	o rdf
  -- Return all triples in the graph, as a list.
  triplesOf :: rdf \rightarrow Triples
  -- Return the triples in the graph that match the given pattern.
  query :: rdf \rightarrow Maybe Subject \rightarrow Maybe Predicate \rightarrow Maybe Object \rightarrow Triples
```

### RDF4H RDF instances

TriplesGraph contains a list-backed graph implementation suitable for smallish graphs or for temporary graphs that will not be queried. If you might have duplicate triples, use MGraph instead, which is also more efficient.

MGraph A simple graph implementation backed by Data. Map.

### RDF4H

#### Useful functions

```
-- Return a URIRef node for the given bytestring URI.
unode :: T.Text → Node
-- Return a blank node using the given string identifier.
bnode :: T.Text → Node
-- Return a literal node using the given LValue.
lnode :: LValue \rightarrow Node
-- | Constructor functions for LValue
plainL :: T.Text → LValue
plainLL :: T.Text → T.Text → LValue
typedL :: T.Text \rightarrow T.Text \rightarrow LValue
-- | A constructor function for 'Triple'
triple :: Subject \rightarrow Predicate \rightarrow Object \rightarrow Triple
subjectOf :: Triple \rightarrow Node
predicateOf :: Triple \rightarrow Node
objectOf :: Triple \rightarrow Node
is Isomorphic :: for all rdf1 rdf2. (RDF rdf1, RDF rdf2) \Rightarrow rdf1 \rightarrow rdf2 \rightarrow Bool
```

Reading an RDF file

#### Java

```
final public Model readFile(String filename) throws FileNotFoundException {
  return ModelFactory.createDefaultModel().read(new FileReader("file.nt"), null);
}
```

```
readRDFFile :: IO TriplesGraph
readRDFFile = fmap fromEither (parseFile NTriplesParser "file.nt")
```

Extracting Triples from Graphs

### Java

```
final public Collection<Triple> getTriples(Model model){
    Collection<Triple> triples = new LinkedList<Triple>();
    StmtIterator stmts = model.listStatements();
    Statement s;
    while (stmts.hasNext()){
        s = stmts.nextStatement();
        triples.add(s.asTriple());
    }
    return triples;
}
```

```
\begin{tabular}{ll} \tt getTriples :: TriplesGraph $\to$ Triples \\ \tt getTriples graph = triplesOf graph \\ \end{tabular}
```

Checking node type

### Java

```
checkNodeType :: Node → String
checkNodeType node
  | isUNode node = (show node) ++ " is URI"
  | isBNode node = (show node) ++ " is blank"
  | isLNode node = (show node) ++ " is literal"
```

Constructing triples with language literal

#### Java

```
final public Triple makeTriple(String s, String p, String oLangLiteral){
    Model model = ModelFactory.createDefaultModel();
    Node subj = model.createResource(s).asNode();
    Node pred = model.createResource(p).asNode();
    Node obj = model.createLiteral(oLangLiteral,"en").asNode();
    return new Triple(subj,pred,obj);
}
```

```
\begin{tabular}{lll} mkTriple :: String $\rightarrow$ String $\rightarrow$ Triple \\ mkTriple s p o = \\ let subj = unode (s2b s) \\ pred = unode (s2b p) \\ obj = lnode (plainLL (s2b o) (s2b "en")) \\ in triple subj pred obj \\ \end{tabular}
```

Constructing RDF graphs in Java

```
final public Model mkModel(){
Model model = ModelFactory.createDefaultModel();
String foafNS = "http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/";
model.setNsPrefix("foaf", foafNS);
 Property topic_interest = model.createProperty(foafNS, "topic_interest");
 Property account = model.createProperty(foafNS, "account");
Resource me = model.createResource("http://example.org/users/robstewart");
 Resource twitter = model.createResource("https://twitter.com/#!/robstewartUK");
Resource haskell = model.createResource(
   "http://dbpedia.org/resource/Haskell_(programming_language)");
Statement stmt:
stmt = model.createStatement(me, account, twitter):
model.add(stmt);
stmt = model.createStatement(me, topic_interest, haskell);
model.add(stmt);
return model;
```

Constructing RDF graphs in Haskell

# Haskell libraries

### Looking at swish

- Author Graham Klyne
- Maintainers Doug Burke
- Source code
  - Doug
    - ★ hg clone https://bitbucket.org/doug\_burke/swish

### Semantic Web Toolkits

A quick look at Swish

### Homepage:

http://www.ninebynine.org/RDFNotes/Swish/Intro.html

- Haskell framework for performing deductions on RDF data
- Graph isomorphism equality and differences
- Inference engine
  - Forward chain reasoning
  - Backward chain reasoning
  - Proof checking module
- Horn-style rule implementations
- RDF formal semantics entailment rule implementation
- Ready-to-run command line and script-driven programs

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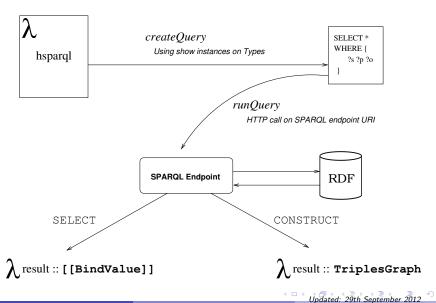
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hsparql

### hsparql includes a SPARQL domain specific language. . .

- Programmatically create SPARQL queries
- Includes functions for submitting SPARQL queries
  - ► For CONSTRUCT, SELECT, DESCRIBE and ASK queries
- Includes SPARQL response data structures
  - SPARQL Query Solutions (for select and ask queries)
  - RDF graphs (for describe and construct queries)
    - ★ Adopting the types from the 'rdf4h' package

#### Flow



### Generating SPARQL Queries - Types

```
data Duplicates = NoLimits | Distinct | Reduced
data Prefix = Prefix String IRIRef
data IRIRef = IRIRef String
              PrefixedName Prefix String
data RDFLiteral = RDFLiteral String
                  RDFLiteralLang String String
                 RDFLiteralIRIRef String IRIRef
data Relation = Equal | NotEqual | LessThan | GreaterThan
        LessThanOrEqual | GreaterThanOrEqual
data Operation = Add | Subtract | Multiply | Divide
data OrderBy = Asc Expr
               Desc Expr
```

#### Generating SPARQL Queries - Types

```
-- | Permit variables and values to seamlessly be put into 'triple'
-- class TermLike a where
data QueryType = SelectType | ConstructType | TypeNotSet
data QueryForm = SelectForm QueryData | ConstructForm QueryData
-- Local representations of incoming XML results.
data BindingValue = Bound Data.RDF.Node -- ^RDF Node (UNode, BNode, LNode)
                   Unbound -- 'Unbound result value
 deriving (Show, Eq)
data ConstructQuery = ConstructQuery
   { queryConstructs :: [Pattern] }
data SelectQuery = SelectQuery
   { queryVars :: [Variable] }
```

#### Examples of show instances

```
instance QueryShow Relation where
 gshow Equal
 qshow NotEqual = "!="
 qshow LessThan = "<"
 qshow GreaterThan = ">"
 qshow LessThanOrEqual = "<"</pre>
 qshow GreaterThanOrEqual = ">"
instance QueryShow OrderBy where
  qshow (Asc e) = "ASC(" ++ qshow e ++ ")"
 qshow (Desc e) = "DESC(" ++ qshow e ++ ")"
instance QueryShow QueryForm where
  qshow (SelectForm qd) = unwords
                       [ "SELECT"
                       , gshow (duplicates gd)
                       , qshow (vars qd)
 qshow (ConstructForm qd) = "CONSTRUCT { " ++ qshow (constructTriples qd) ++ " }"
```

#### Generating a simple SELECT query

```
PREFIX resource: <a href="http://dbpedia.org/resource/">http://dbpedia.org/property/</a>
PREFIX dbprop: <a href="http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/">http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/</a>
SELECT ?name ?page
WHERE {
    ?x dbprop:genre resource:Web_browser .
    ?x foaf:name ?name .
    ?x foaf:page ?page .
}
```

#### Generating a simple SELECT query

```
simpleSelect :: Query SelectQuery
simpleSelect = do
    resource <- prefix "dbprop" (iriRef "http://dbpedia.org/resource/")</pre>
    dbpprop <- prefix "dbpedia" (iriRef "http://dbpedia.org/property/")</pre>
    foaf
             <- prefix "foaf" (iriRef "http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/")</pre>
         <- var
    x
    name <- var
    page <- var
    triple x (dbpprop .:. "genre") (resource .:. "Web_browser")
    triple x (foaf .:. "name") name
    triple x (foaf .:. "page") page
    return SelectQuery { queryVars = [name, page] }
```

#### Generating a simple CONSTRUCT query

```
simpleConstruct :: Query ConstructQuery
simpleConstruct = do
    resource <- prefix "dbpedia" (iriRef "http://dbpedia.org/resource/")
    dbpprop <- prefix "dbprop" (iriRef "http://dbpedia.org/property/")</pre>
    foaf <- prefix "foaf" (iriRef "http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/")</pre>
    example <- prefix "example" (iriRef "http://www.example.com/")</pre>
    x <- var
    name <- var
    page <- var
    construct <- constructTriple x (example .:. "hasName") name</pre>
    triple x (dbpprop .:. "genre") (resource .:. "Web_browser")
    triple x (foaf .:. "name") name
    triple x (foaf .:. "page") page
    return ConstructQuery { queryConstructs = [construct] }
```

# Hsparql Under The Hood

Submitting SPARQL SELECT query

```
-- |Transform the 'String' result from the HTTP request into a two-dimensional
-- table storing the bindings for each variable in each row.

structureContent :: String -> Maybe [[BindingValue]]

-- |Connect to remote 'EndPoint' and find all possible bindings for the
-- 'Variable's in the 'SelectQuery' action.

selectQuery :: EndPoint -> Query SelectQuery -> IO (Maybe [[BindingValue]])

selectQuery ep q = do

let uri = ep ++ "?" ++ urlEncodeVars [("query", createSelectQuery q)]

request = replaceHeader HdrUserAgent "hsparql-client" (getRequest uri)

response <- simpleHTTP request >>= getResponseBody

return (structureContent response)
```

# Hsparql Under The Hood

#### Submitting SPARQL CONSTRUCT query

```
-- | Connect to remote 'EndPoint' and construct 'TriplesGraph' from given
-- 'ConstructQuery' action. /Provisional implementation/.
constructQuery :: forall rdf. (RDF rdf) =>
   Database. HSparql. Connection. EndPoint -> Query ConstructQuery -> IO rdf
constructQuery ep q = do
    let uri
                 = ep ++ "?" ++ urlEncodeVars [("query", createConstructQuery q)]
    rdfGraph <- httpCallForRdf uri
    case rdfGraph of
      Left e -> error $ show e
      Right graph -> return graph
httpCallForRdf :: RDF rdf => String -> IO (Either ParseFailure rdf)
httpCallForRdf uri = do
  let h1 = mkHeader HdrUserAgent "hsparql-client"
      h2 = mkHeader HdrAccept "text/turtle"
      request = Request rqURI = fromJust $ parseURI uri
                          , rqHeaders = [h1,h2]
                          , rqMethod = GET
                          , rqBody = ""
  response <- simpleHTTP request >>= getResponseBody
  let content = E.decodeUtf8 (B.pack response)
  return $ parseString (TurtleParser Nothing Nothing) content
                                                          tent
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```

### Hsparql in use

```
selectExample :: IO ()
selectExample = do
  (Just s) <- selectQuery "http://dbpedia.org/sparql" simpleSelect
  putStrLn . take 500 . show $ s
askExample :: IO ()
askExample = do
  res <- askQuery "http://dbpedia.org/sparql" simpleAsk
  putStrLn $ "result: " ++ show (res::Bool)
describeExample :: IO ()
describeExample = do
  rdfGraph <- describeQuery "http://dbpedia.org/sparql" simpleDescribe
  mapM_ print (triplesOf rdfGraph)
constructExample :: IO ()
constructExample = do
  rdfGraph <- constructQuery "http://dbpedia.org/sparql" simpleConstruct</pre>
  mapM_ print (triplesOf rdfGraph)
```

A more interesting SELECT example. . .

```
berliners :: Querv SelectQuerv
herliners = do
   xsd <- prefix "xsd" (iriRef "http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#")
   prop <- prefix "prop" (iriRef "http://dbpedia.org/property/")</pre>
   dbo <- prefix "dbo" (iriRef "http://dbpedia.org/ontology/")
   foaf <- prefix "foaf" (iriRef "http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/")</pre>
   resc <- prefix "resc" (iriRef "http://dbpedia.org/resource/")
    name
           <- var
    birth <- var
    death
           <- var
    person <- var
    knownfor <- var
    triple person (prop .:. "birthPlace") (resc .:. "Berlin")
   triple person (dbo .:. "birthdate") birth
   triple person (foaf .:. "name")
                                          name
    triple person (dbo .:. "deathdate") death
   filterExpr $ birth .<. ("1900-01-01", xsd .:. "date")
   optional $ triple person (prop .:. "KnownFor") knownfor
   return SelectQuery { queryVars = [name, birth, death, person, knownfor] }
```

A more interesting SELECT example result

```
[LangLiteral "Wilhelm II" "en",
 TypedLiteral "1859-01-27" "http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#date",
 TypedLiteral "1941-06-04" "http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#date",
 URI "http://dbpedia.org/resource/Wilhelm_II,_German_Emperor",
 Unbound]
,[LangLiteral "German Emperor Wilhelm II" "en",
 TypedLiteral "1859-01-27" "http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#date",
 TypedLiteral "1941-06-04" "http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#date",
 URI "http://dbpedia.org/resource/Wilhelm_II,_German_Emperor",
 Unboundl
.[LangLiteral "Edmund Landau" "en".
 TypedLiteral "1877-02-14" "http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#date",
 TypedLiteral "1938-02-19" "http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#date",
 URI "http://dbpedia.org/resource/Edmund_Landau",
 Unboundl
```

Another interesting SELECT example...

```
selectExample :: IO ()
selectExample = do
  (Just s) <- selectQuery "http://api.talis.com/stores/bbc-backstage/services/spargl" drWhoQuery
 putStrLn . show $ s
drWhoQuerv :: Querv SelectQuerv
drWhoQuerv = do
 rdfs <- prefix "rdfs" (iriRef "http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#")
 po <- prefix "po" (iriRef "http://purl.org/ontology/po/")
       <- prefix "dc" (iriRef "http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/")
 position <- var
  title <- var
 svn <- var
  series <- var
 episode <- var
 triple (iriRef "http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006q2x0#programme") (po .:. "series") series
 triple series (dc .:. "title") "Series 3"
 triple series (po .:. "episode") episode
 triple episode (dc .:. "title") title
 triple episode (po .:. "position") position
 triple episode (po .:. "short_synopsis") syn
 return SelectQuerv { quervVars = [position, title, svn] }
```

#### Dr Who results

Position	Title	Syn
6	The Lazarus Experiment	Martha has to save her family from the schemes of the monstrous Professor Lazarus.
13	Last of the Time Lords	Earth has been conquered and the Master rules supreme. Can Martha Jones save the world?
2	The Shakespeare Code	In Elizabethan England, William Shakespeare is under the control of witch-like creatures.
10	Blink	Only the Doctor can stop the Weeping Angels, but he's lost in time.
5	Evolution of the Daleks	As a new Dalek Empire rises in 1930s New York, the Doctor must enter an unholy alliance.
4	Daleks in Manhattan	The Doctor finds his oldest enemies at work on top of the Empire State Building.
7	42	The Doctor and Martha have to stop a spaceship from hurtling into the sun.
8	Human Nature	A schoolteacher called John Smith dreams of adventures in time and space.
11	Utopia	Captain Jack Harkness storms back into the Doctor's life.
12	The Sound of Drums	Harry Saxon becomes Prime Minister, but his dark ambitions reach beyond the stars.
1	Smith and Jones	When Martha Jones finds herself on the moon, she meets a stranger called the Doctor.
3	Gridlock	The Doctor takes Martha to New Earth, only to find that the city has become a deadly trap.
9	The Family of Blood	It's 1913 and war comes to England early, as the terrifying Family hunt for the Doctor.

# A Plan?

### Towards a Semantic Web Toolkit for Haskell

#### Future Work

- rdf4h
  - Move towards feature parity with Jena Models
- swish
  - Complete UTF-8 handling
  - ▶ Internals: move to *polyparse*, *LookupMap*. . .
- hsparql

```
askQuery :: EndPoint -> Query AskQuery -> IO Bool describeQuery :: EndPoint -> Query DescribeQuery -> IO TriplesGraph
```

- A unified semantic web Type representation!
  - Have all 3 packages use the same representations
    - ★ prefix mappings, URIs, typed literals...
  - Unified serialisation of XML, N3, Turtle

### Towards a Semantic Web Toolkit

#### A place for Haskell in the Semantic Web

- A feature rich RDF library
  - Providing an array of high level APIs working with RDF

#### and

- SPARQL construction & execution
  - Programmatically generate and execute SPARQL queries. . .
  - Living within the Haskell type system along the way

#### and

- A scripting interface to IO with RDF
  - ► To read, write & merge RDF graphs
  - Apply forward and backward chain reasoning rule inference
  - Compare graphs for equality



The end.