

RDF Basics:

1. What is RDF (Resource Description Framework)?

- RDF is a framework for representing information about resources in a structured way. It describes resources using triples: subject, predicate, and object.

2. What is a URI in RDF?

- A Uniform Resource Identifier (URI) uniquely identifies resources, which can be physical or abstract objects, such as web pages, books, or people.

3. What is the structure of an RDF statement?

- RDF statements follow a triple format: a subject, a predicate (relationship), and an object.

RDF Serialization:

4. What are some serialization formats used for RDF?

- RDF can be serialized in various formats, such as RDF/XML, Turtle (Terse RDF Triple Language), N-Triples, and JSON-LD.

5. How is RDF represented in Turtle syntax?

- Turtle allows a compact notation for RDF triples. For example:

```
@prefix ex: <http://example.com/>.
ex:Earth rdf:type ex:Planet.
ex:Earth ex:satelliteOf ex:Sun.
```

6. What are blank nodes in RDF?

- Blank nodes represent unnamed resources or individuals with attributes but no explicit URI.

RDF Concepts:

7. What is RDF reification?

- RDF reification allows making statements about other RDF statements, such as specifying that someone "supposes" or "believes" something about a statement.

8. **Why is reification used in RDF?**

- It is used to model data provenance, trust, and reliability of statements, but care is needed to avoid issues like recursion and type conflicts.

RDFS (RDF Schema):

9. **What is RDFS (RDF Schema)?**

- RDFS is an extension of RDF that provides vocabulary for defining classes, properties, and relationships between resources. It allows defining domain and range restrictions and creating class hierarchies.

10. **How are classes defined in RDFS?**

- Classes are defined using `rdfs:Class`. For example:

```
:Planet rdf:type rdfs:Class.
```

11. **What are domain and range in RDFS?**

- Domain specifies the class to which the subject of a property belongs, and range specifies the class to which the object of a property belongs.

12. **What is an example of a domain and range definition in RDFS?**

- For the property `:satelliteOf`, the domain and range might be defined as:

```
:satelliteOf rdfs:domain :CelestialBody.  
:satelliteOf rdfs:range :CelestialBody.
```

Hierarchical Relationships:

13. **How are hierarchical relationships defined in RDFS?**

- Hierarchical relationships are defined using `rdfs:subClassOf` for classes and `rdfs:subPropertyOf` for properties. For example:

```
:Planet rdfs:subClassOf :CelestialBody.  
:artificialSatelliteOf rdfs:subPropertyOf :satelliteOf.
```

Logical Inference with RDF(S):

14. **What kind of inferences can be made with RDFS?**

- RDFS allows for logical inferences such as:
 - Deduction of class membership based on domain or range of properties.
 - Deduction of new facts based on hierarchical class and property relationships.

15. **Give an example of a logical deduction using RDFS.**

- If Pluto is defined as a `dbo:Planet`, and `dbo:Planet` is a subclass of `dbo:CelestialBody`, we can infer that Pluto is also a `dbo:CelestialBody`.

16. **How does RDFS differ from other data definition languages?**

- RDFS is based on formal semantics, enabling the drawing of sound and valid logical inferences from the data.