

The Auxiliary *FuncProp* Property

A functional property is a property that is a function: it relates a resource to at most one value. Functional properties are not a concept of RDF but are used in the axiomatization of other primitives.

The constant *FuncProp* represents the class of all functional properties. *P* is a functional property if, and only if, it is a property, and there are no *x*, *y*₁, and *y*₂ such that *P*(*x*, *y*₁), *P*(*x*, *y*₂), and *y*₁ ≠ *y*₂.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Type}(\text{?}p, \text{FuncProp}) &\longleftrightarrow \\ &(\text{Type}(\text{?}p, \text{Property}) \wedge \forall \text{?}r \forall \text{?}v1 \forall \text{?}v2 \\ &(\text{PropVal}(\text{?}p, \text{?}r, \text{?}v1) \wedge \text{PropVal}(\text{?}p, \text{?}r, \text{?}v2) \longrightarrow \text{?}v1 = \text{?}v2)) \end{aligned}$$

Reified Statements

The constant *Statement* represents the class of all reified statements. All reified statements are resources, and *Statement* is an instance of *Class*:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Type}(\text{?}s, \text{Statement}) &\longrightarrow \text{Type}(\text{?}s, \text{Resource}) \\ \text{Type}(\text{Statement}, \text{Class}) & \end{aligned}$$

A reified statement can be decomposed into the three parts of an RDF triple:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Type}(\text{?}st, \text{Statement}) &\longrightarrow \\ \exists \text{?}p \exists \text{?}r \exists \text{?}v &(\text{PropVal}(\text{Predicate}, \text{?}st, \text{?}p) \wedge \\ \text{PropVal}(\text{Subject}, \text{?}st, \text{?}r) &\wedge \text{PropVal}(\text{Object}, \text{?}st, \text{?}v)) \end{aligned}$$

Subject, *Predicate*, and *Object* are functional properties. That is, every statement has exactly one subject, one predicate, and one object:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Type}(\text{Subject}, \text{FuncProp}) \\ \text{Type}(\text{Predicate}, \text{FuncProp}) \\ \text{Type}(\text{Object}, \text{FuncProp}) \end{aligned}$$