

SENG 42273

# Semantic web and Ontological Engineering

Lecture 8

# Recap



From Traditional Web to Semantic Web



Semantic web fundamentals



The Building Block of the Semantic Web: RDF



RDFS



Ontology



Web Ontology Language: OWL

# Querying the Semantic Web

Basically, semantic web is a graph data structure.

## SPARQL queries

- "Matching patterns" in the graph
- Works on **triple store** special kind of software or a data base for RDF (graph store)

# Querying the Semantic Web

## SPARQL endpoints

- Triple stores has a "place" called *endpoint* to submit SPARQL queries
  - dbpedia.org/sparql provides a query endpoint to query over an RDF representation of Wikipedia
  - Find a complete list of SPARQL endpoints at CKAN.org
- Clients send queries to an endpoint using the HTTP protocol

# SPARQL : Matching Patterns

## RDF Data:

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<rdf:RDF
    xmlns:rdf="http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#"
    xmlns:swp="http://www.semanticwebprimer.org/ontology/apartments.ttl#"
    xmlns:dbpedia="http://dbpedia.org/resource/"
    xmlns:dbpedia-owl="http://dbpedia.org/ontology/">

    <rdf:Description
        rdf:about="http://www.semanticwebprimer.org/ontology/apartments.ttl#BaronWayApartment">
            <swp:hasNumberOfBedrooms
                rdf:datatype="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#integer">3</swp:hasNumberOfBedrooms>
                <swp:isPartOf
                    rdf:resource="http://www.semanticwebprimer.org/ontology/apartments.ttl#BaronWayBuilding"/>
            </rdf:Description>

            <rdf:Description
                rdf:about="http://www.semanticwebprimer.org/ontology/apartments.ttl#BaronWayBuilding">
                    <dbpedia-owl:location rdf:resource="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Amsterdam"/>
                    <dbpedia-owl:location rdf:resource="http://dbpedia.org/resource/Netherlands"/>
            </rdf:Description>
    </rdf:Description>
```

# SPARQL : Matching Patterns

## RDF Data:

```
@prefix swp: <http://www.semanticwebprimer.org/ontology/apartments.ttl#>.
```

```
@prefix dbpedia: <http://dbpedia.org/resource/>.
```

```
@prefix dbpedia-owl: <http://dbpedia.org/ontology/>.
```

```
swp:BaronWayApartment swp:hasNumberOfBedrooms 3;
```

```
        swp:isPartOf swp:BaronWayBuilding.
```

```
swp:BaronWayBuilding dbpedia-owl:location dbpedia:Amsterdam,
```

```
        dbpedia:Netherlands.
```

# SPARQL:Matching Patterns

## SPARQL Query

Match the triple:

```
swp:BaronWayBuilding dbpedia-owl:location ?location where  
?location is a variable
```

# SPARQL Query

```
PREFIX swp: <http://www.semanticwebprimer.org/ontology/apartments.ttl#>.  
PREFIX dbpedia: <http://dbpedia.org/resource/>.  
PREFIX dbpedia-owl: <http://dbpedia.org/ontology/>.  
  
SELECT ?location  
  
WHERE {  
    swp:BaronWayBuilding dbpedia-owl:location ?location.  
}
```

# SPARQL Query

## Query Result

SPARQL is trying to find sets of triples that match a given graph pattern

?location
http://dbpedia.org/resource/Amsterdam.
http://dbpedia.org/resource/Netherlands.

# SPARQL

How about this query?

```
PREFIX swp:  
<http://www.semanticwebprimer.org/ontology/apartments.ttl#>.PREFIX dbpedia: <http://dbpedia.org/resource/>.PREFIX dbpedia-owl: <http://dbpedia.org/ontology/>.SELECT ?p ?o  
WHERE {  
swp:BaronWayApartment ?p ?o.  
}
```

Set of Predicates and Objects of matching triples

?p	?o
swp:hasNumberOfBedrooms	3
swp:isPartOf	swp:BaronWayBuilding

# SPARQL

## Limiting number of query answers

```
PREFIX swp: <http://www.semanticwebprimer.org/ontology/apartments.ttl#>.  
PREFIX dbpedia: <http://dbpedia.org/resource/>.  
PREFIX dbpedia-owl: <http://dbpedia.org/ontology/>.  
SELECT ?p ?o  
WHERE {  
    swp:BaronWayApartment ?p ?o.  
}  
LIMIT 10
```

# SPARQL

## Matching chains of triple patterns

Find all the apartments which are part of a building located in Amsterdam

```
PREFIX swp:<http://www.semanticwebprimer.org/ontology/apartments.ttl#>.
PREFIX dbpedia:<http://dbpedia.org/resource/>.
PREFIX dbpedia-owl:<http://dbpedia.org/ontology/>.
SELECT ?apartment
WHERE {
?apartment swp:isPartOf ?building.
?building dbpedia-owl:location dbpedia:Amsterdam.
}
```

# SPARQL

## Filtering

```
PREFIX swp: <http://www.semanticwebprimer.org/ontology/apartments.ttl#>.
```

```
PREFIX dbpedia: <http://dbpedia.org/resource/>.
```

```
PREFIX dbpedia-owl: <http://dbpedia.org/ontology/>.
```

```
SELECT ?apartment
```

```
WHERE {
```

```
    ?apartment swp:hasNumberOfBedrooms ?bedrooms.
```

```
    FILTER (?bedrooms > 2).
```

```
}
```

```
PREFIX swp: <http://www.semanticwebprimer.org/ontology/apartments.ttl#>.
```

```
PREFIX dbpedia: <http://dbpedia.org/resource/>.
```

```
PREFIX dbpedia-owl: <http://dbpedia.org/ontology/>.
```

```
SELECT ?apartment
```

```
WHERE {
```

```
    ?apartment swp:address ?address.
```

```
    FILTER regex(?address, "^\^4 Baron Way").
```

```
}
```

# SPARQL

## Querying inconsistent resource descriptions

```
@prefix swp: <http://www.semanticwebprimer.org/ontology/apartments.ttl#>.
```

```
@prefix dbpedia: <http://dbpedia.org/resource/>.
```

```
@prefix dbpedia-owl: <http://dbpedia.org/ontology/>.
```

```
@prefix xsd: <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#>.
```

```
swp:BaronWayApartment swp:hasNumberOfBedrooms 3.
```

```
swp:BaronWayApartment dbpedia-owl:location dbpedia:Amsterdam.
```

```
swp:BaronWayApartment refs:label "Baron Way Apartment for Rent".
```

```
swp:FloridaAveStudio swp:hasNumberOfBedrooms 1.
```

```
swp:FloridaAveStudio dbpedia-owl:locationCity dbpedia:Amsterdam.
```

# SPARQL

```
PREFIX swp: <http://www.semanticwebprimer.org/ontology/apartments.ttl>
PREFIX geo: <http://www.geonames.org/ontology#>.
PREFIX dbpedia: <http://dbpedia.org/resource/>.
PREFIX dbpedia-owl: <http://dbpedia.org/ontology/>.
```

```
SELECT ?apartment ?label
WHERE {
    {?apartment dbpedia-owl:location dbpedia:Amsterdam.}
    UNION
    {?apartment dbpedia-owl:locationCity dbpedia:Amsterdam.}
    OPTIONAL
    {?apartment rdfs:label ?label.}
}
```

The results of this query are:

?apartment	?label
swp:BaronWayApartment	Baron Way Apartment for Rent
swp:FloridaAveStudio	

# Further Reading

- Organizing results
  - Aggregate functions (COUNT, AVG, MIN, MAX, SUM)
  - Ordering and sorting ORDER BY DESC/ASCE
- ASK and CONSTRUCT keywords
- Querying Schemas

# FOAF: Friend of a Friend ontology

An ontology about personal information

To make personal information standard and machine readable. FOAF is simply a vocabulary (or ontology) that includes the basic terms to describe personal information.

- Project homepage: <http://www.foaf-project.org/>
- Namespace: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/>
- Typical prefix: foaf:
- Documentation: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/spec/>

Some key terms used in FOAF

Person, Name, Nick, Title, Homepage, Box, Mbox\_shalsum, Img, Surname, Family\_name, Givenname, Firstname, Knows

# FOAF: Friend of a Friend ontology

```
<rdf:RDF
  xmlns:rdf="http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#"
  xmlns:rdfs="http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#"
  xmlns:foaf="http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/"
  xmlns:admin="http://webns.net/mvcb/">
<foaf:PersonalProfileDocument rdf:about="">
  <foaf:maker rdf:resource="#me"/>
  <foaf:primaryTopic rdf:resource="#me"/>
  <admin:generatorAgent rdf:resource="http://www.ldodds.com/foaf/foaf-a-matic"/>
  <admin:errorReportsTo rdf:resource="mailto:leigh@ldodds.com"/>
</foaf:PersonalProfileDocument>
<foaf:Person rdf:ID="me">
  <foaf:name>Lankeshwara Munasinghe</foaf:name>
  <foaf:title>Dr</foaf:title>
  <foaf:givenname>Lankeshwara</foaf:givenname>
  <foaf:family_name>Munasinghe</foaf:family_name>
  <foaf:nick>Lankesh</foaf:nick>
  <foaf:mbox_sha1sum>d117679fcc0651de49f2b237dab3be0072c84cfa</foaf:mbox_sha1sum>
  <foaf:homepage rdf:resource="https://science.kln.ac.lk/tunits/setu/index.php /component/sppagebuilder/25-dr-l-munasinghe"/>
  <foaf:phone rdf:resource="tel:0112903286"/>
  <foaf:knows>
    <foaf:Person>
      <foaf:name>Nalin</foaf:name>
      <foaf:mbox_sha1sum>2247e39ff0300fb8f8b58b96cb5764912f9ca67b</foaf:mbox_sha1sum></foaf:Person></foaf:knows>
    <foaf:knows>
      <foaf:Person>
        <foaf:name>Tiroshan</foaf:name>
        <foaf:mbox_sha1sum>6870c6e1e03beff6dd9a6ec51f7059f5275eeb3f</foaf:mbox_sha1sum></foaf:Person></foaf:knows>
    </foaf:Person>
  </rdf:RDF>
```

# FOAF: Friend of a Friend ontology

```
<?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/">
  <foaf:Person>
    <foaf:name>Chandima Maduwanthi</foaf:name>
    <foaf:gender>Female</foaf:gender>
    <foaf:title>Lecturer</foaf:title>
    <foaf:nick>Madu</foaf:nick>
    <foaf:firstName>Chandima</foaf:firstName>
    <foaf:mbox rdf:resource="mailto:maducm20@gmail.com"/>
    <foaf:knows>
      <foaf:Person>
        <foaf:name>Bimali</foaf:name>
        <foaf:gender>Female</foaf:gender>
        <foaf:title>Lecturer</foaf:title>
        <foaf:givenname>Bimali</foaf:givenname>
        <foaf:surname>Wickramasinghe</foaf:surname>
        <foaf:mbox rdf:resource="mailto:bcs@gmail.com"/>
      </foaf:Person>
    </foaf:knows>
  </foaf:Person>
</rdf:RDF>
```

End