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Knowledge Graphs

Lecture 3 – Querying Knowledge Graphs with SPARQL

3.6 Quality Assurance with SHACL Constraints

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3.1 How to Query RDF(S)

Excursion 3: DBpedia Knowledge Graph

Excursion 4: Wikidata Knowledge Graph

3.2 Complex Queries with SPARQL

3.3 More Complex SPARQL Queries

3.4 SPARQL Sub-Select and Property Paths

3.5 SPARQL is more than a Query Language

3.6 Quality Assurance with SHACL Constraints

The Semantic Web Technology Stack (not a piece of cake...)

Most apps use only a subset of the stack

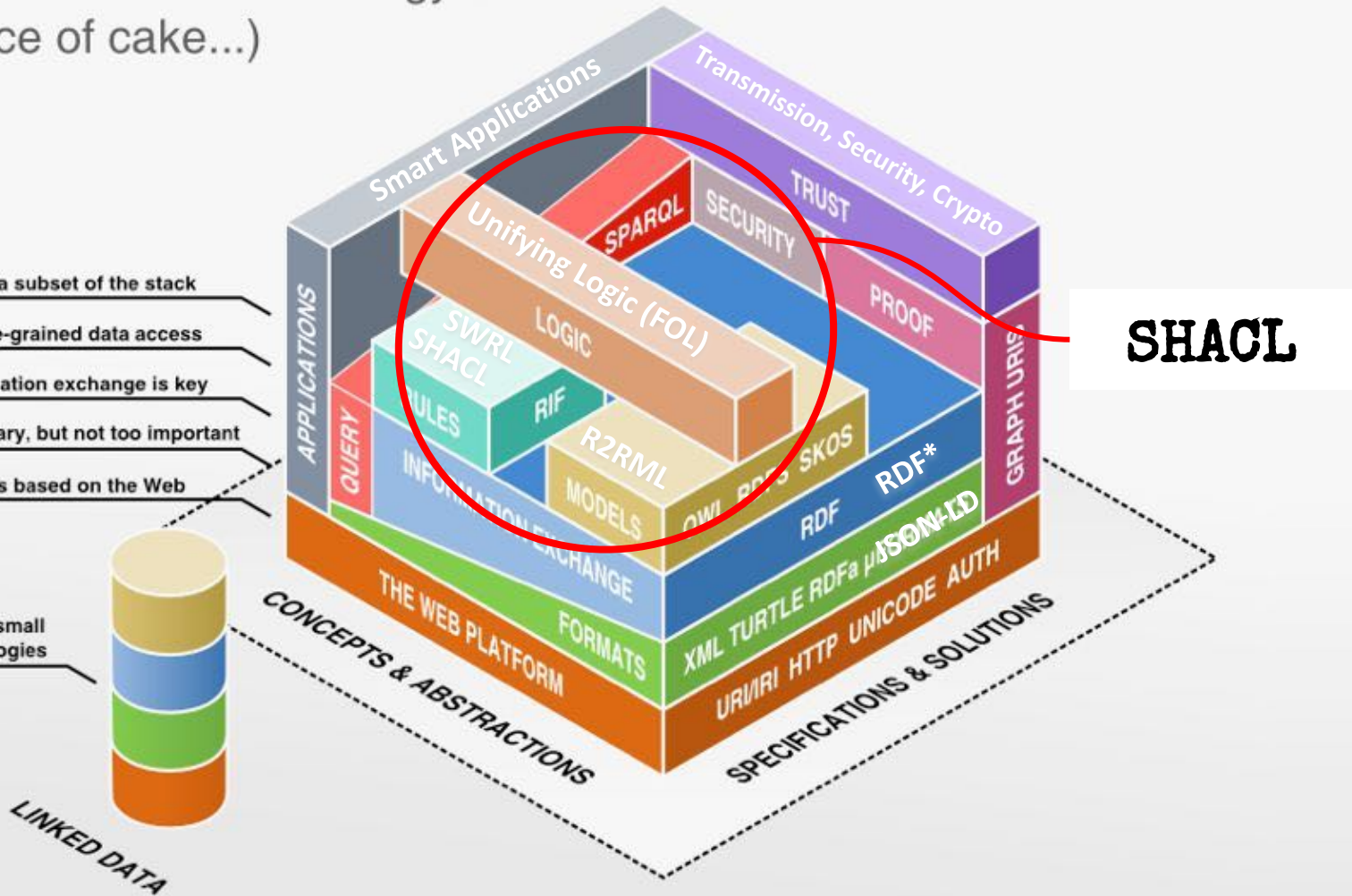
Querying allows fine-grained data access

Standardized information exchange is key

Formats are necessary, but not too important

The Semantic Web is based on the Web

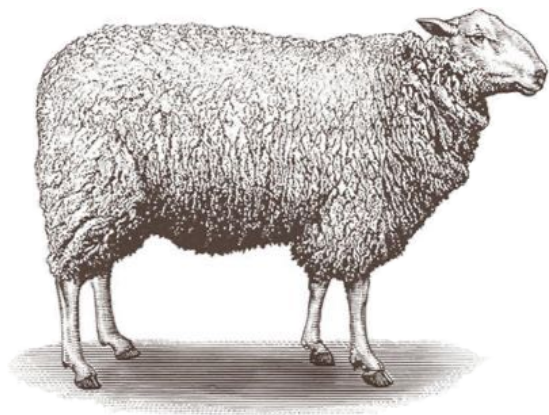
Linked Data uses a small
selection of technologies



Open & Closed World Assumption – OWA vs CWA

A sheep is an animal with four legs.

- Answer under CWA Assumption:
- Answer under OWA assumption:



Question: Can sheep fly?

No, sheep can't fly.

No idea, but probably yes
(according to our knowledge base).

- In the OWA, unless we have a statement (or we can infer) “*sheep can/cannot fly*” we return “*don't know*”.
- In the real world, we are used to deal with incomplete information.

Open & Closed World Assumption – OWA vs CWA

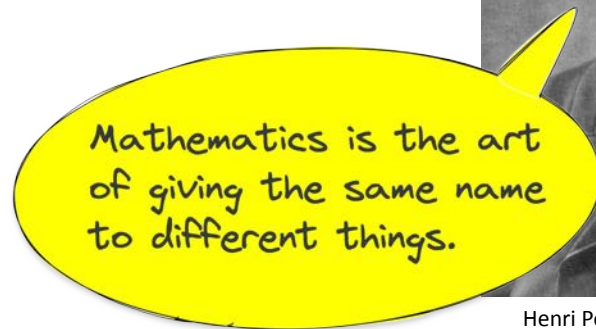
- In the Semantic Web we expect people to extend our own models (*but we don't worry in advance how*).
- The OWA assumes incomplete information by default.
- Therefore, we can **intentionally underspecify our models and allow others to reuse and extend**.

A sheep is an animal with four legs that
(if lifted) can fly.



Unique Name Assumption – UNA

- In logics with **UNA**,
different names always refer to different entities in the world.
- **OWL** does NOT support UNA (because of OWA).
- Consequences for the Semantic Web:
 - Different entities have to be **declared to be different** (otherwise they are potentially identical).
 - Identical entities also have to be **declared to be identical** (otherwise they are potentially different).



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Henri Poincaré (1854–1912)

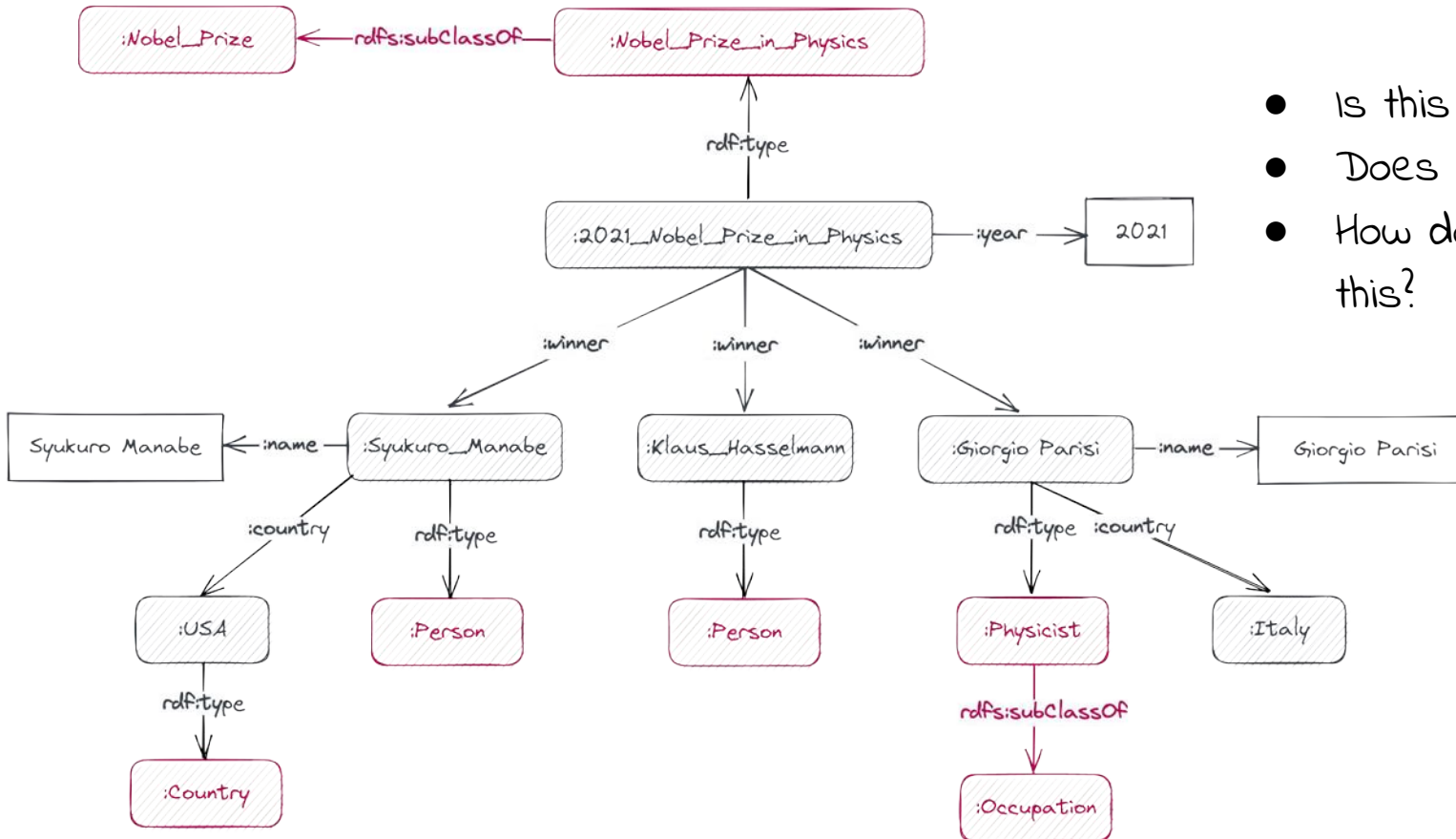
owl:differentFrom,
owl:disjointWith

owl:sameAs,
owl:equivalentClass



OWA and Non-UNA related Challenges for Semantic Web Data Quality Assurance

Graph Data – Validation

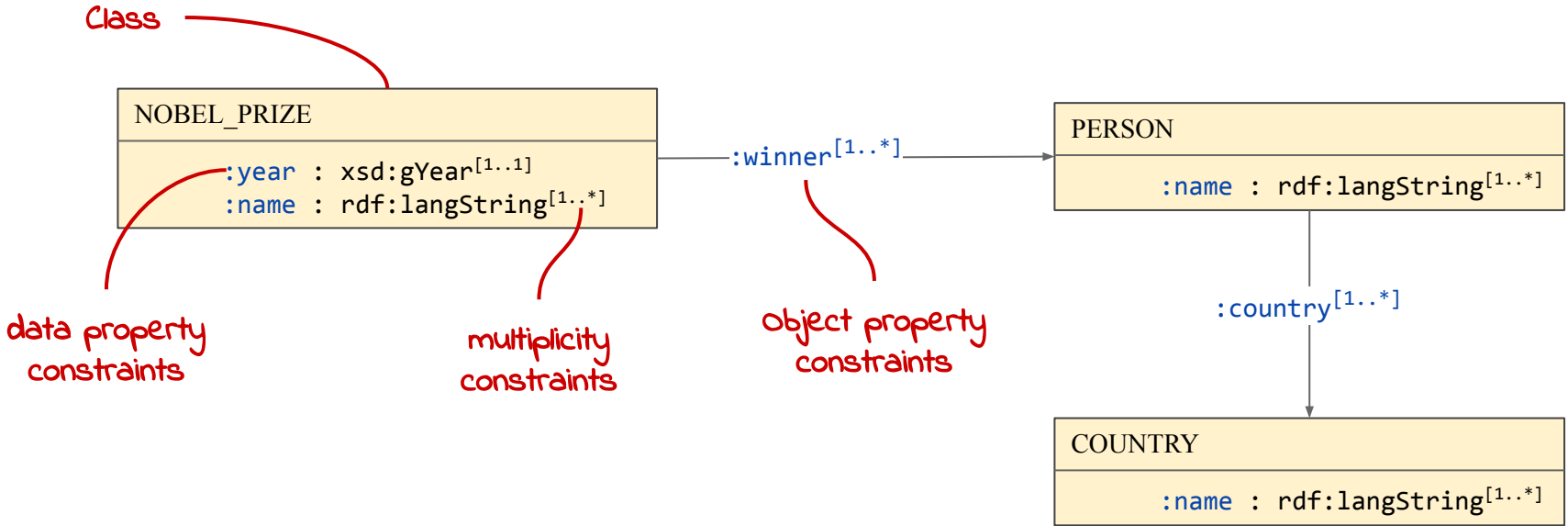


- Is this graph complete?
- Does it contain errors?
- How do we measure this?

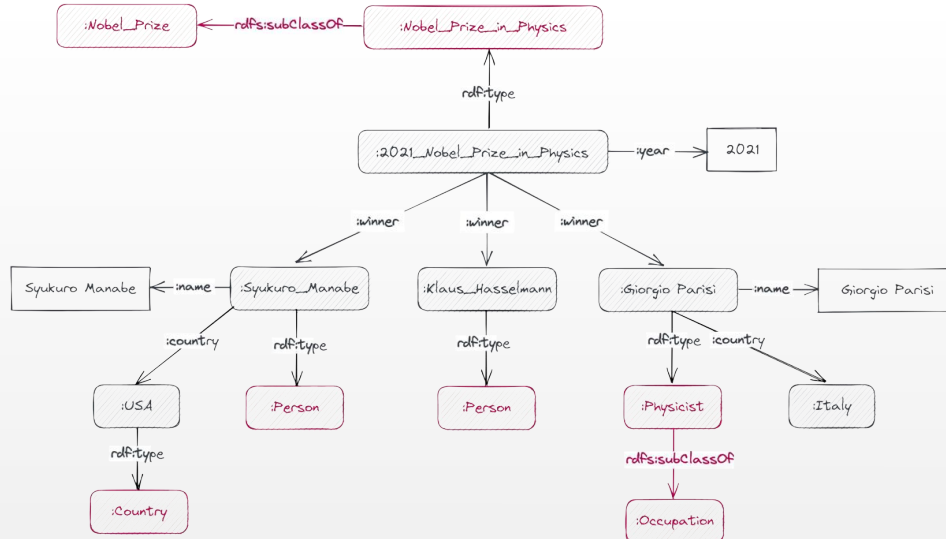
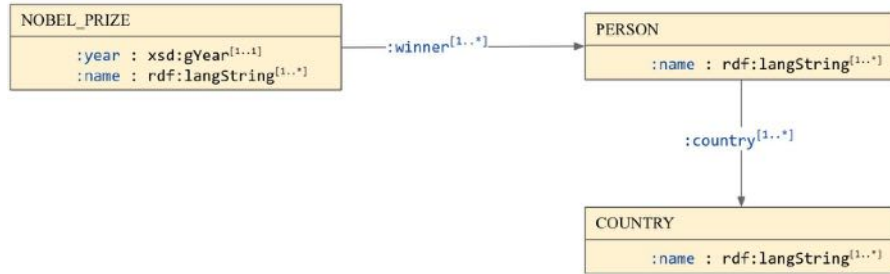
Shapes

The background is a pixelated, low-resolution image of a desert scene. A large, dark, irregularly shaped rock formation dominates the center-left. On top of this rock, two small, pixelated figures are visible. To the right of the rock, a person wearing a dark coat and a hat stands in the foreground, looking towards the rock. The sky is a mix of light and dark pixels, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. In the bottom right corner, there is a small icon of a speech bubble with the number 4 inside, and the text 'INRSTS' is visible.

Shapes Graph – Validation Schema

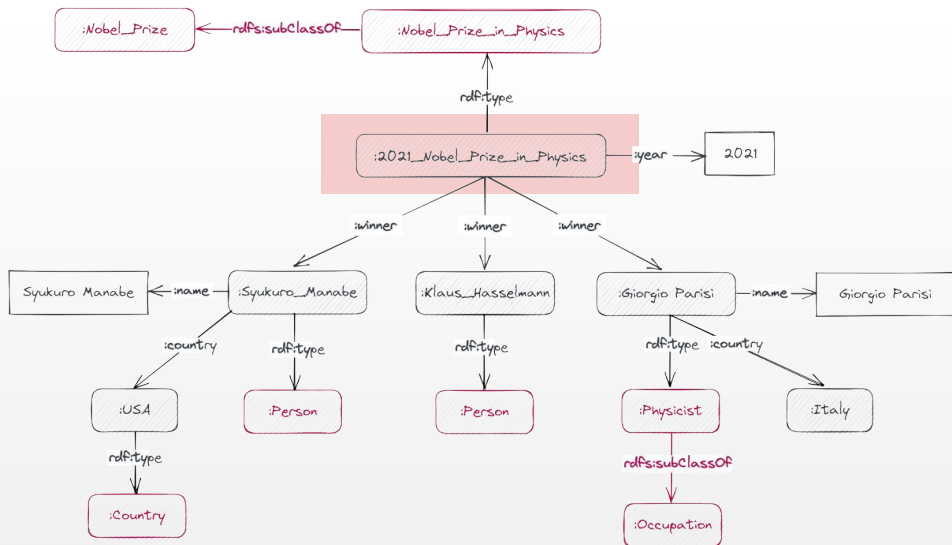
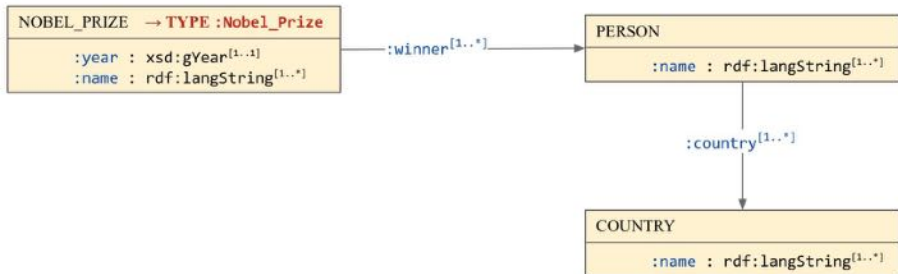


Validate RDF Graphs



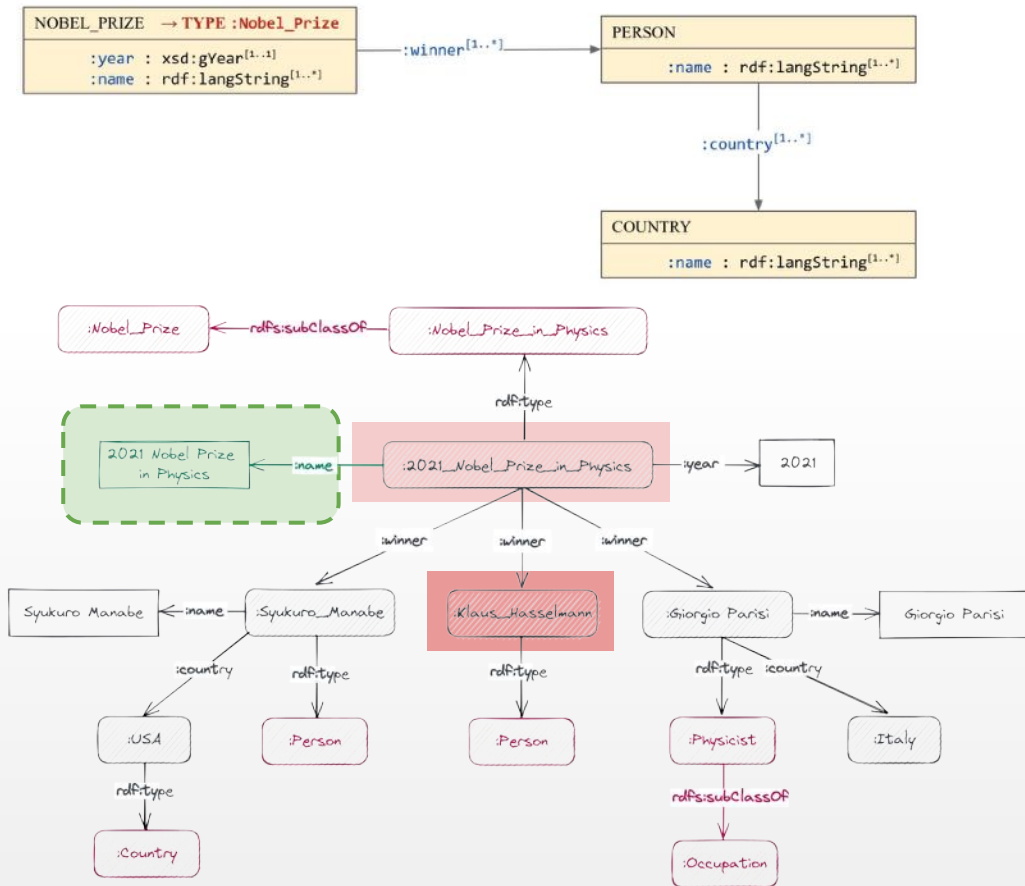
- Does the graph pass our schema?
- We have not yet defined a **target** for a shape, so we don't know which shape applies to which node in the data.

Shapes Graph – Define a Target



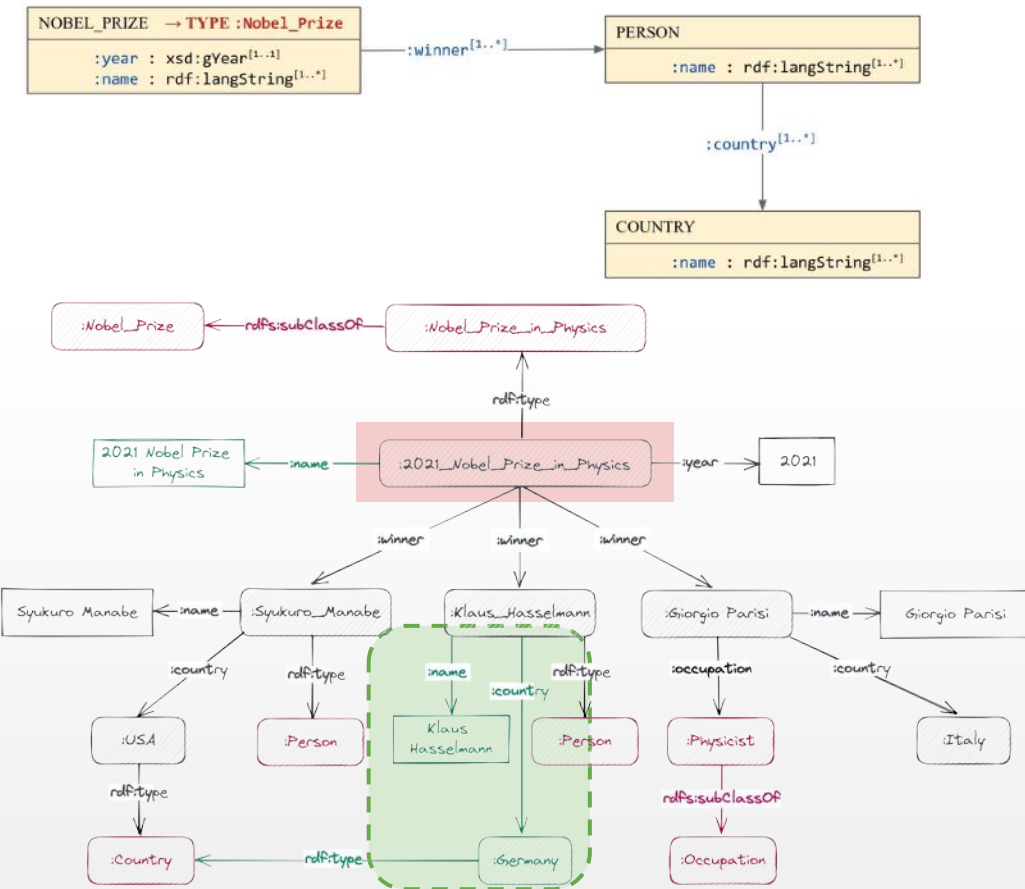
- Does the graph pass our schema?
- No,
 - `:2021_Nobel_Prize_in_Physics` does not satisfy `NOBEL_PRIZE`
- We are missing a `:name` for `:2021_Nobel_Prize_in_Physics`

Shapes Graph – Validation



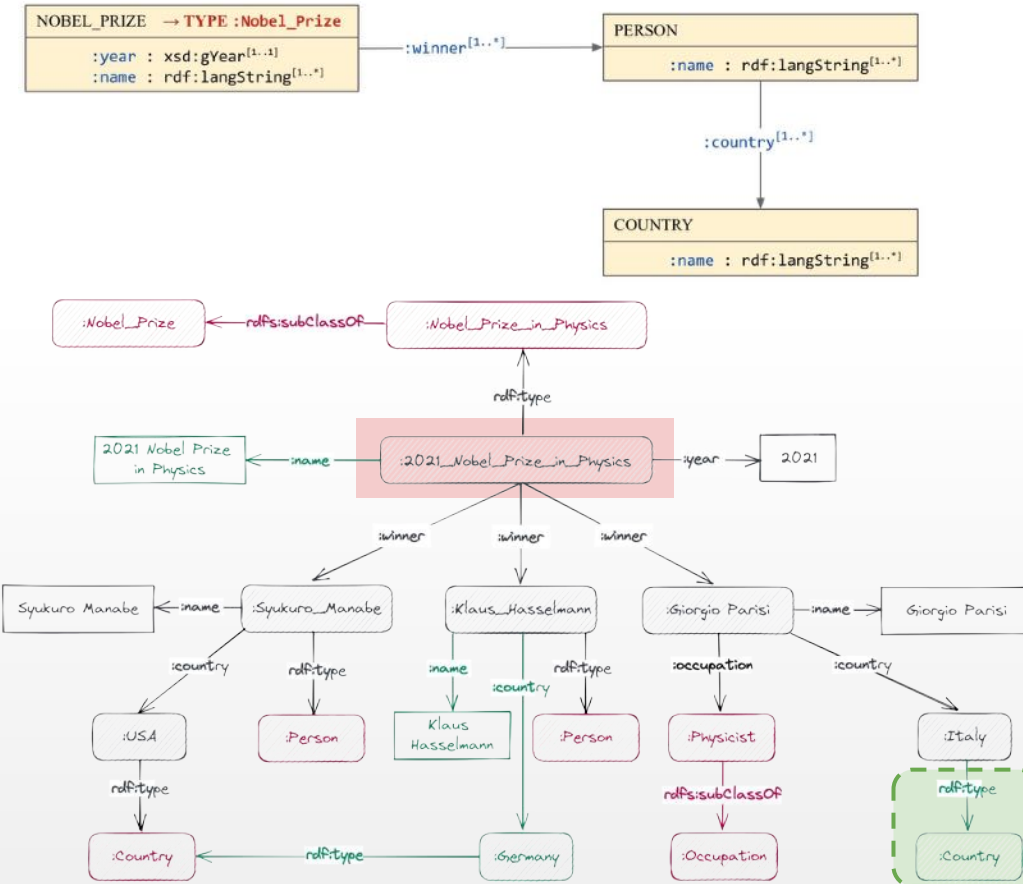
- What about now?
- No, any winner of `:2021_Nobel_Prize_in_Physics` still has to satisfy **PERSON**
- We are missing `:name` and `:country` for `:Klaus_Hasselmann`

Shapes Graph – Validation



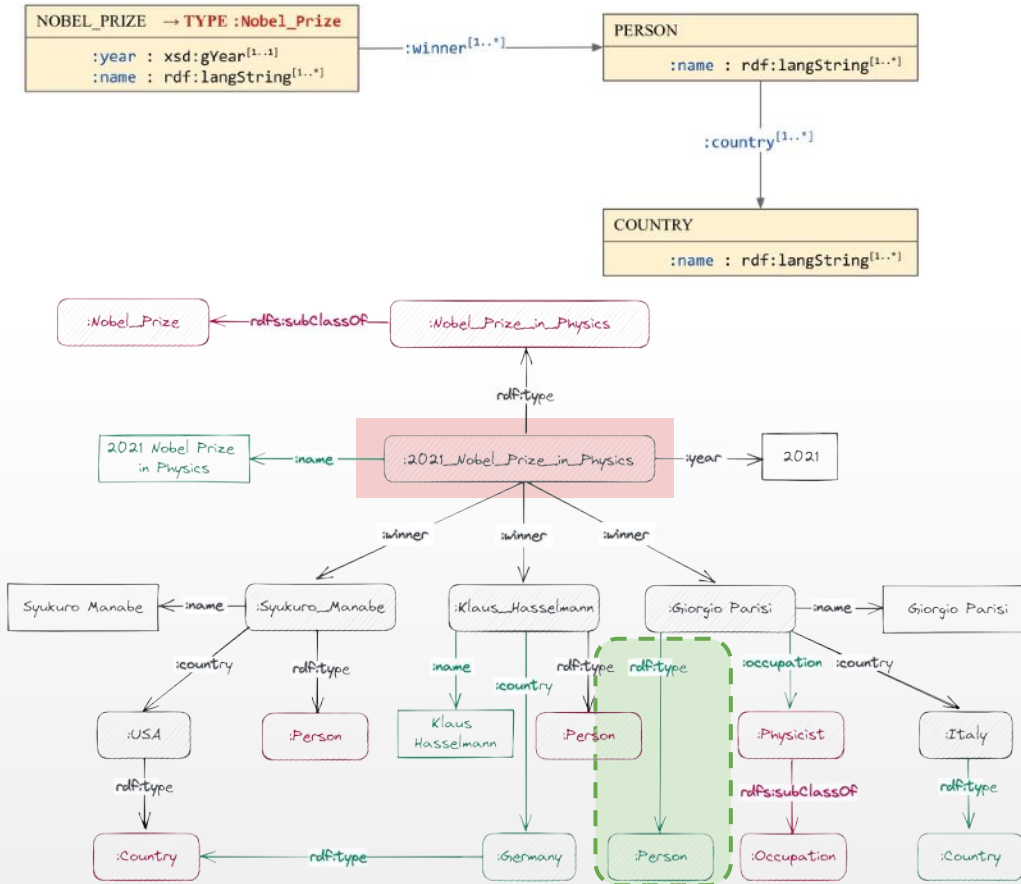
- What about now?
- No, any winner of `:2021_Nobel_Prize_in_Physics` still has to satisfy PERSON
- For `:Giorgio_Parisi` PERSON requires that COUNTRY is satisfied

Shapes Graph – Validation



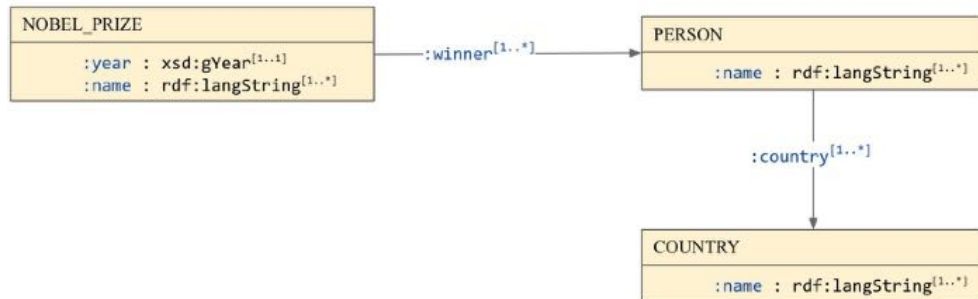
- What about now?
- No, any winner of **:2021_Nobel_Prize_in_Physics** still has to satisfy **PERSON**
- **:Giorgio_Parisi** is a **:Physicist** and not a **:Person**

Shapes Graph – Validation



- And now?
- Yes (for target :Nobel_Prize)
- However, for quality assurance of the entire graph we have to continue the validation.

Shapes vs. OWL



```

:Nobel_Prize rdfs:subClassOf
[owl:allValuesFrom xsd:gYear ; owl:onProperty :year],
[owl:cardinality 1 ; owl:onProperty :year],
[owl:allValuesFrom rdf:langstring ; owl:onProperty :name],
[owl:minCardinality 1 ; owl:onProperty :name],
[owl:allValuesFrom :Person ; owl:onProperty :winner] .

```

```

:Person rdfs:subClassOf
[owl:allValuesFrom rdf:langstring ; owl:onProperty :name],
[owl:minCardinality 1 ; owl:onProperty :name],
[owl:allValuesFrom :Country ; owl:onProperty :country] .

```

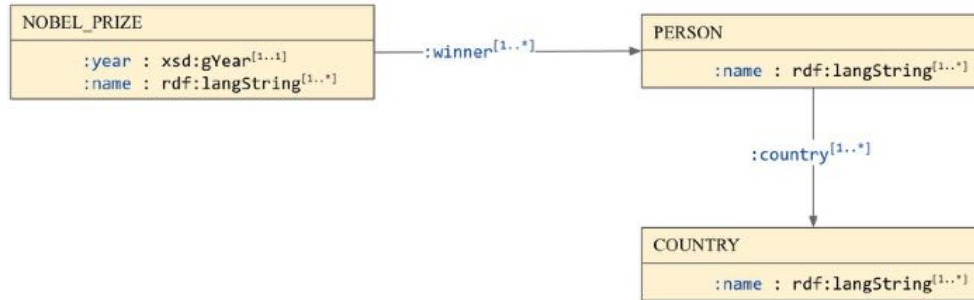
```

:Country rdfs:subClassOf
[owl:allValuesFrom rdf:langstring ; owl:onProperty :name],
[owl:minCardinality 1 ; owl:onProperty :name] .

```

- OWL follows **Open World Assumption** (OWA) and does not support the **Unique Name Assumption** (UNA).
- Therefore it will be difficult to test for
 - completeness and
 - duplicates.

Shapes vs. SPARQL

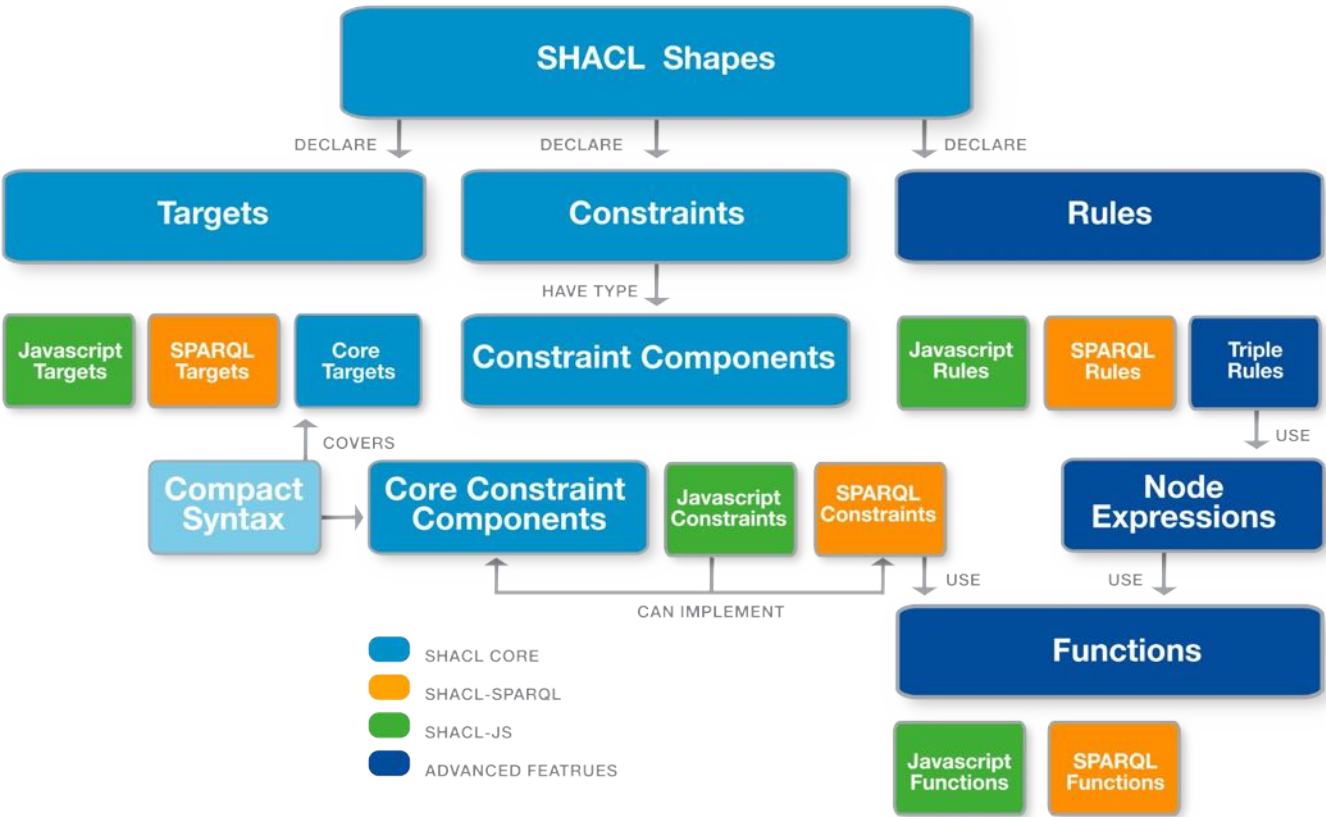


```

SELECT DISTINCT ?award WHERE {
  ?award a :Nobel_Prize .
  OPTIONAL { ?award :year ?year1 .}
  OPTIONAL { ?award :year ?year2 .}
  FILTER(!bound(?year1) || datatype(?year1) != xsd:gYear || ?year1 != ?year2)
  OPTIONAL { ?award :name ?name .}
  FILTER(!bound(?name) || lang(?name) = "")
  OPTIONAL { ?award :winner :winner .}
  #Check that ?winner satisfies PERSON shape
}
  
```

- SPARQL provides the correct semantics.
- However, constraints are difficult to phrase.

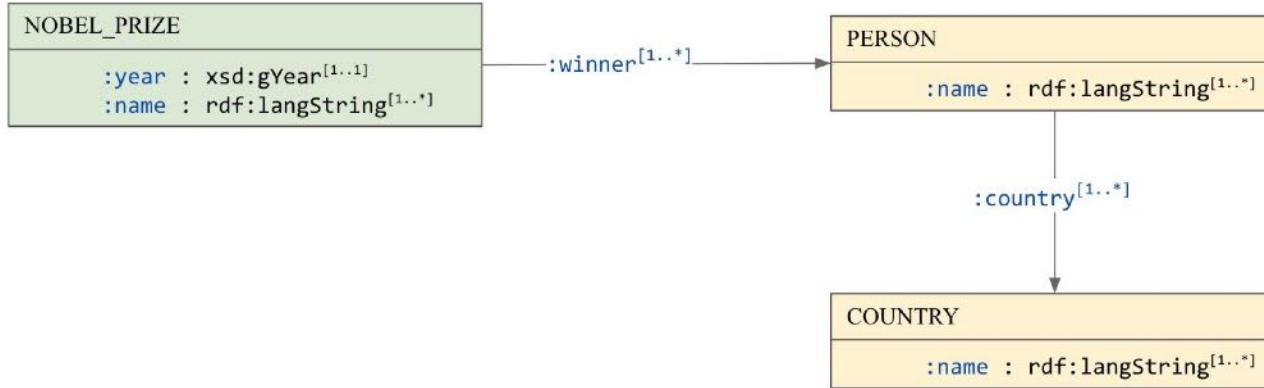
The Shape Constraint Language – SHACL



Shapes Constraint Language (SHACL)
W3C Recommendation 20 July 2017

[W3C SHACL Reference](#)

SHACL – Node Shapes and Property Shapes



```

@prefix rdf: <http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#> .
@prefix xsd: <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#> .
@prefix s: <http://example.org/shapes/> .
@prefix sh: <http://www.w3.org/ns/shacl#> .
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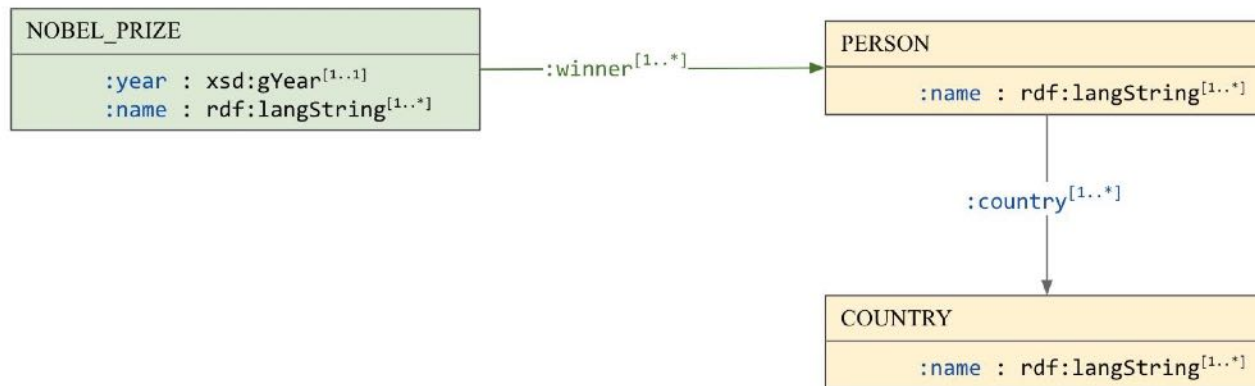
```

```

s:Nobel_Prize a sh:NodeShape ;
  sh:targetClass :Nobel_Prize ;
  sh:property [sh:path :name ; sh:datatype rdf:langString ; sh:minCount 1] ;
  sh:property [sh:path :year ; sh:datatype xsd:gYear ; sh:minCount 1 ; sh:maxCount 1] .

```


SHACL – Referencing Node Shapes



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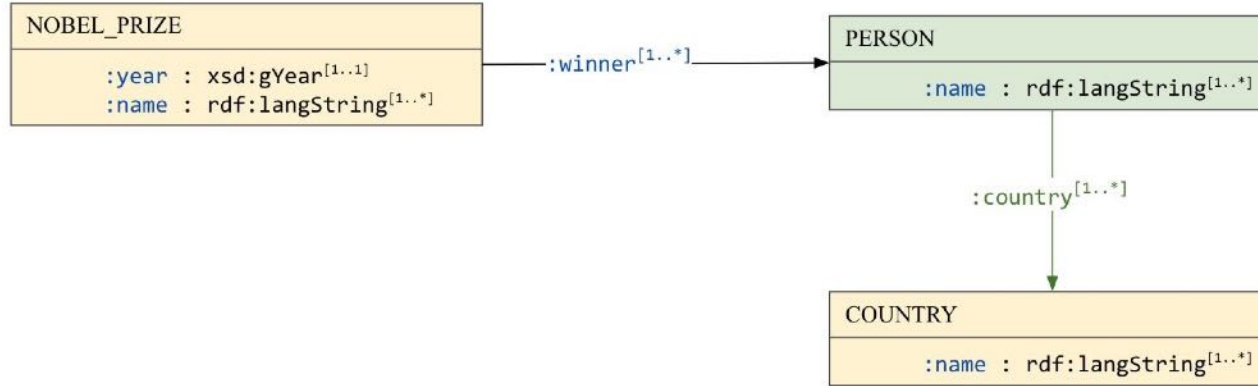
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```

s:Nobel_Prize a sh:NodeShape ;
  sh:targetClass :Nobel_Prize ;
  sh:property [sh:path :name ; sh:datatype rdf:langString ; sh:minCount 1] ;
  sh:property [sh:path :year ; sh:datatype xsd:gYear ; sh:minCount 1 ; sh:maxCount 1] ;
  sh:property [sh:path :winner ; sh:node s:Person ; sh:minCount 1 ; sh:class :Person] .

```

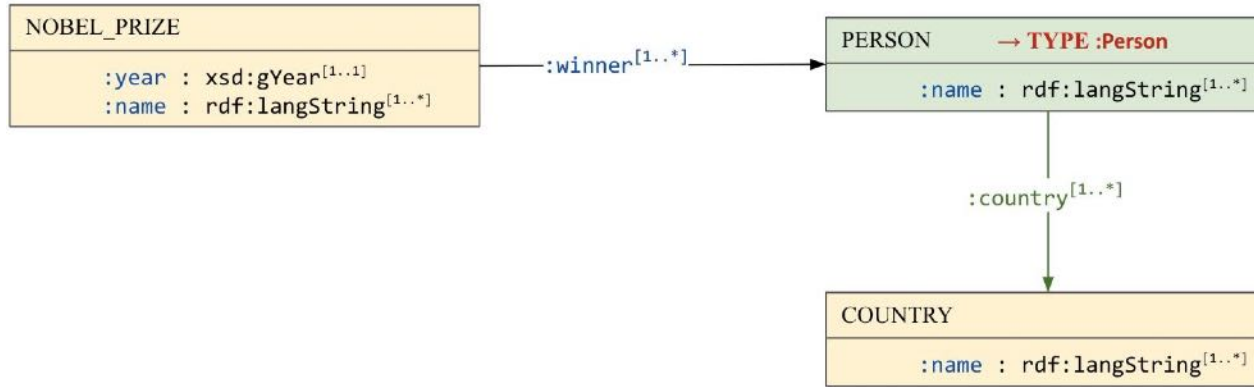
The Shape Constraint Language – SHACL



```
@prefix [...]
s:Nobel_Prize [...]
```

```
s:Person a sh:NodeShape ;
  sh:property [sh:path :name ; sh:datatype rdf:langString ; sh:minCount 1] ;
  sh:property [sh:path :country ; sh:node s:Country ; sh:minCount 1] .
```

SHACL Targets

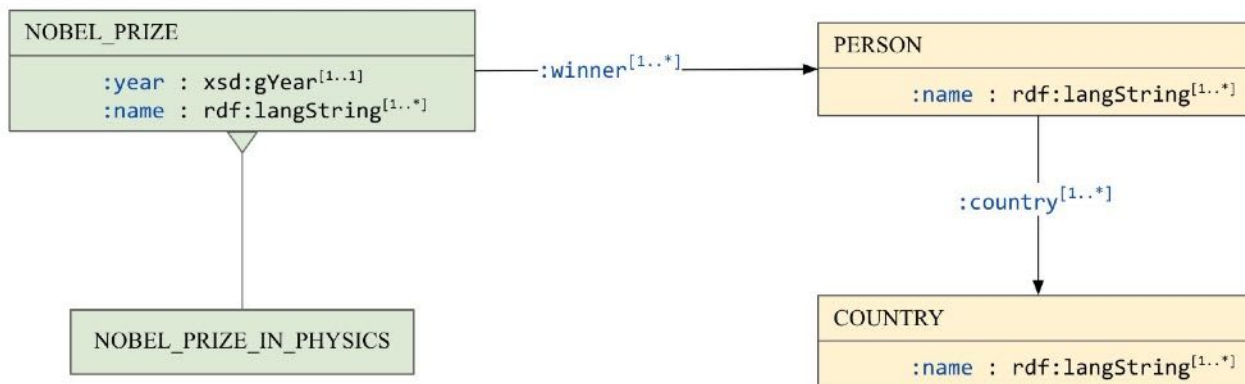


```

@prefix [...]
s:Nobel_Prize [...]

s:Person a sh:NodeShape ;
  sh:targetClass :Person ;
  sh:property [sh:path :name ; sh:datatype rdf:langString ; sh:minCount 1] ;
  sh:property [sh:path :country ; sh:node s:Country ; sh:minCount 1] .
  
```

SHACL Inheritance



```
@prefix [...]
s:Nobel_Prize [...]
s:Person [...]

s:Nobel_Prize_in_Physics a sh:NodeShape ;
  sh:node s:Nobel_Prize .
```


SHACL Complete Example

```
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s:Nobel_Prize a sh:NodeShape ;
  sh:targetClass :Nobel_Prize ;
  sh:property [sh:path :name ; sh:datatype rdf:langString ; sh:minCount 1] ;
  sh:property [sh:path :year ; sh:datatype xsd:gYear ; sh:minCount 1 ; sh:maxCount 1] ;
  sh:property [sh:path :winner ; sh:node s:Person ; sh:minCount 1 ; sh:class :Person] .

s:Nobel_Prize_in_Physics a sh:NodeShape ;
  sh:node s:Nobel_Prize .

s:Person a sh:NodeShape ;
  sh:targetClass :Person ;
  sh:property [sh:path :name ; sh:datatype rdf:langString ; sh:minCount 1] ;
  sh:property [sh:path :country ; sh:node s:Country ; sh:minCount 1] .

s:Country a sh:NodeShape ;
  sh:targetClass :Country ;
  sh:property [sh:path :name ; sh:datatype rdf:langString ; sh:minCount 1] .
```

SHACL - Hands On

SHACL Play!

Free online RDF data validation with [SHACL](#). SHACL Play! embeds [TopBraid SHACL API](#) from [TopQuadrant](#).

<https://shacl-play.sparna.fr/play/>

[ISE 2022 SHACL GitHub Repository with Example Data](#)

Validation results of 13 shapes

Download validation report in [CSV](#) [Turtle](#) [RDF/XML](#)

207 Violations

Violation 207 "Value does not match pattern `"https://sws.geonames.org/[0-9]{*}/"` (crm:P53_has_former_or_current_location in shape oash:P18) [see details](#)

Violation 207 "Value does not match pattern `"^https://.*$"` (crm:P53_has_former_or_current_location)

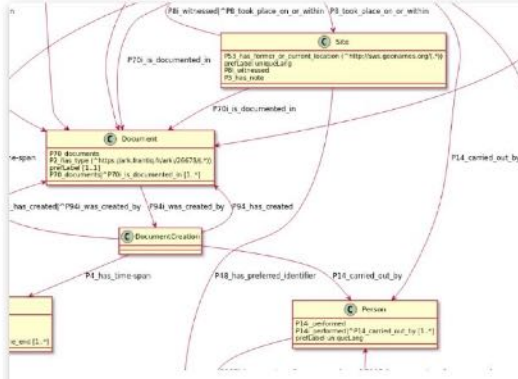
- Shape : oash:P18
- Constraint : sh:PatternConstraintComponent

Focus node: [...] Property or path: [...]

Validate RDF data using SHACL

Get a human-readable report from a SHACL validation. Upload your RDF or validate online RDF file at some URL. Also download a CSV report, or raw SHACL Turtle report.

VALIDATE



Draw UML diagrams from Shapes

Looking for something more visual ? Generate UML diagrams in SVG from your SHACL file ! Works with [PlantUML](#).

DRAW

Vote

A vote that took place within a sitting, identified with a vote number. Example URI: `/local/SHACLing/2022/223/`

- Target Class: `spine:Vote`
- Neutrals: `no`
- URI: `http://data.europa.eu/eu-geo/shacling/2022/223/`

Property name	URI	Expected value	Card.	Description
vote title	<code>http://purl.org/</code>	<code>not hanging firing</code>	1..3	Name of the voted text (from <code>FullCarbons Description</code> Type)
vote identifier	<code>spine:voteIdentifier</code>	<code>not integer</code>	1..1	Number of the vote (from <code>FullCarbons Description</code> Type)
constituents of MEP vote	<code>spine:voteConstituents</code>	<code>MEP Vote</code>	1..*	Link to MEP votes in that Vote
Items part of primary sitting	<code>spine:voteItemsPartOfPrimarySitting</code>	<code>Primary Sitting</code>	1..1	Link to primary sitting during which the vote took place

MEP Vote

Represents the vote of a single MEP within a vote. This is identified by the vote number and the MEP ID. Example URI: `/local/SHACLing/2022/223/MEP_242/`

- Target Class: `spine:MEP_Vote`
- Neutrals: `no`
- URI: `http://data.europa.eu/eu-geo/shacling/2022/223/MEP_242/`

Property name	URI	Expected value	Card.	Description
mev	<code>spine:voteId</code>	<code>http</code>	1..1	Link to the MEP that voted

Generate documentation

Generate application-profile style documentation, with tables of allowed properties for each class, from your SHACL definition. Ready to be shipped to the developers !

GENERATE DOC



Ontologies as Key to Knowledge Representation

Next Lecture...

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