

# Ontology-Based Data Access with Ontop

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# Toy example: University Information System

Relational source

uni1.student

<u>s_id</u>	first_name	last_name
1	Mary	Smith
2	John	Doe

uni1.academic

<u>a_id</u>	first_name	last_name	position
1	Anna	Chambers	1
2	Edward	May	9
3	Rachel	Ward	8

uni1.teaching

c_id	a_id
1234	1
1234	2

uni1.course

<u>c_id</u>	title
1234	Linear algebra

Information need	SQL query
1. First and last names of the students	<pre>SELECT DISTINCT "first_name", "last_name" FROM "uni1"."student"</pre>
2. First and last names of the persons	<pre>SELECT DISTINCT "first_name", "last_name" FROM "uni1"."student" UNION SELECT DISTINCT "first_name", "last_name" FROM "uni1"."academic"</pre>
3. Course titles and teacher names	<pre>SELECT DISTINCT co."title", ac."last_name" FROM "uni1"."course" co,       "uni1"."academic" ac,       "uni1"."teaching" teach WHERE co."c_id" = teach."c_id"       AND ac."a_id" = teach."a_id"</pre>
4. All the teachers	<pre>SELECT DISTINCT "a_id" FROM "uni1"."teaching" UNION SELECT DISTINCT "a_id" FROM "uni1"."academic" WHERE "position" BETWEEN 1 AND 8</pre>

# Integration of a second source

Fusion of two universities

uni2.person

<u>pid</u>	fname	lname	status
1	Zak	Lane	8
2	Mattie	Moses	1
3	Céline	Mendez	2

uni2.course

<u>cid</u>	lecturer	lab_teacher	topic
1	1	3	Information security

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2. First and last names of the persons	<pre>SELECT DISTINCT "first_name", "last_name" FROM "uni1"."student" UNION SELECT DISTINCT "first_name", "last_name" FROM "uni1"."academic" UNION SELECT DISTINCT "fname" AS "first_name",                 "lname" AS "last_name" FROM "uni2"."person"</pre>

# Translation of information needs II

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# Translation of information needs III

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4. All the teachers	<pre>SELECT DISTINCT 'uni1/'    "a_id" AS "id" FROM "uni1"."teaching" UNION SELECT DISTINCT 'uni1/'    "a_id" AS "id" FROM "uni1"."academic" WHERE "position" BETWEEN 1 AND 8 UNION SELECT DISTINCT 'uni2/'    "lecturer" AS "id" FROM "uni2"."course" UNION SELECT DISTINCT 'uni2/'    "lab_teacher" AS "id" FROM "uni2"."course" UNION SELECT DISTINCT 'uni2/'    "pid" AS "id" FROM "uni2"."person" WHERE "status" BETWEEN 6 AND 9</pre>

# Industrial case: stratigraphic model design

## Users: domain experts

- ~ 900 geologists et geophysicists
- Data collecting: 30-70% of their time

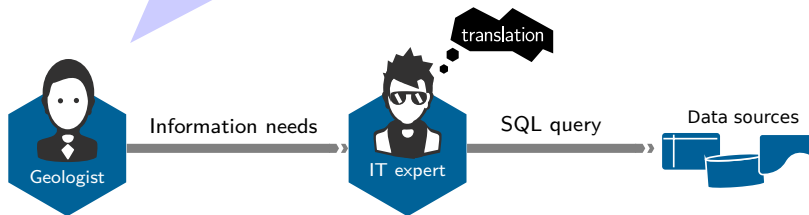


## Sources

- *Exploitation and Production Data Store*: ~ 1500 tables (100s GB)
- *Norwegian Petroleum Directorate FactPages*
- *OpenWorks*

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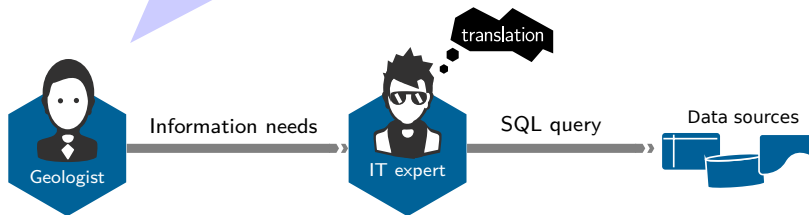
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Takes 4 days in average (with EPDS only)

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# Anonymized extract of a typical query

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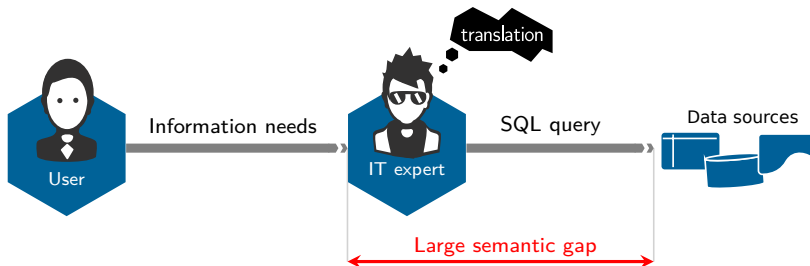
SELECT [...]
FROM
db_name.table1 table1,
db_name.table2 table2a,
db_name.table2 table2b,
db_name.table3 table3a,
db_name.table3 table3b,
db_name.table3 table3c,
db_name.table3 table3d,
db_name.table4 table4a,
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db_name.table4 table4c,
db_name.table4 table4d,
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db_name.table5 table5a,
db_name.table5 table5b,
db_name.table6 table6a,
db_name.table6 table6b,
db_name.table7 table7a,
db_name.table7 table7b,
db_name.table8 table8,
db_name.table9 table9,
db_name.table10 table10a,
db_name.table10 table10b,
db_name.table10 table10c,
db_name.table11 table11,
db_name.table12 table12,
db_name.table13 table13,
db_name.table14 table14,
db_name.table15 table15,
db_name.table16 table16
WHERE [...]

table2a.attr1='keyword' AND
table3a.attr2=table10c.attr1 AND
table3a.attr6=table6a.attr3 AND
table3a.attr9='keyword' AND
table4a.attr10 IN ('keyword') AND
table4a.attr1 IN ('keyword') AND
table5a.kinds=table4a.attr13 AND
table5b.kinds=table4c.attr74 AND
table5b.name='keyword' AND
(table6a.attr19=table10c.attr17 OR
(table6a.attr2 IS NULL AND
table10c.attr4 IS NULL)) AND
table6a.attr14=table5b.attr14 AND
table6a.attr2='keyword' AND
(table6b.attr14=table10c.attr8 OR
(table6b.attr4 IS NULL AND
table10c.attr7 IS NULL)) AND
table6b.attr19=table5a.attr55 AND
table6b.attr2='keyword' AND
table7a.attr19=table2b.attr19 AND
table7a.attr17=table15.attr19 AND
table4b.attr11='keyword' AND
table8.attr19=table7a.attr80 AND
table8.attr19=table13.attr20 AND
table8.attr4='keyword' AND
table9.attr10=table16.attr11 AND
table3b.attr19=table10c.attr18 AND
table3b.attr22=table12.attr63 AND
table3b.attr66='keyword' AND
table10a.attr54=table7a.attr8 AND
table10a.attr70=table10c.attr10 AND
table10a.attr16=table4d.attr11 AND
table4c.attr99='keyword' AND
table4c.attr1='keyword' AND

table11.attr10=table5a.attr10 AND
table11.attr40='keyword' AND
table11.attr50='keyword' AND
table2b.attr1=table1.attr8 AND
table2b.attr9 IN ('keyword') AND
table2b.attr2 LIKE 'keyword'% AND
table12.attr9 IN ('keyword') AND
table7b.attr1=table2a.attr10 AND
table3c.attr13=table10c.attr1 AND
table3c.attr10=table6b.attr20 AND
table3c.attr13='keyword' AND
table10b.attr16=table10a.attr7 AND
table10b.attr11=table7b.attr8 AND
table10b.attr13=table4b.attr89 AND
table13.attr1=table2b.attr10 AND
table13.attr20='keyword' AND
table13.attr15='keyword' AND
table3d.attr49=table12.attr18 AND
table3d.attr18=table10c.attr11 AND
table3d.attr14='keyword' AND
table4d.attr17 IN ('keyword') AND
table4d.attr19 IN ('keyword') AND
table16.attr28=table11.attr56 AND
table16.attr16=table16.attr10b.attr78 AND
table16.attr5=table14.attr56 AND
table4e.attr34 IN ('keyword') AND
table4e.attr48 IN ('keyword') AND
table4f.attr89=table5b.attr7 AND
table4f.attr45 IN ('keyword') AND
table4f.attr1='keyword' AND
table10c.attr2=table4e.attr19 AND
(table10c.attr78=table12.attr56 OR
(table10c.attr55 IS NULL AND
table12.attr17 IS NULL))

```

# Semantic gap



## Querying over tables

**Requires a lot of knowledge about:**

- ❶ Magic numbers  
(e.g.  $1 \rightarrow \text{full professor}$ )
- ❷ Cardinalities and normal forms
- ❸ Spreading of closely-related information across many tables

## Data integration

- Make things (much) worse!
- Variety: **challenge #1** for most Big Data initiatives

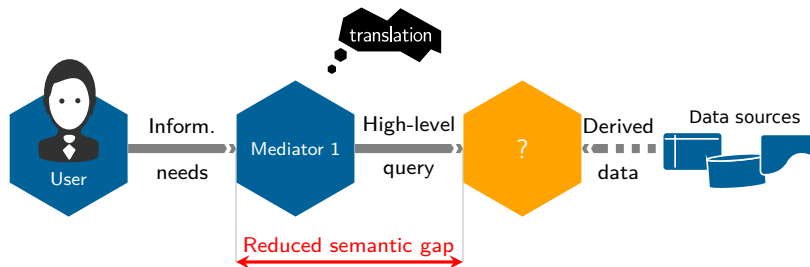
# High-level translation

## Main bottleneck: translation

- of the information needs
- ... into a **formal query**

## Goal

Make such a translation easy  
(*Ideally: IT expertise not required*)



*Mediator 1* could be a user, an IT expert or a GUI

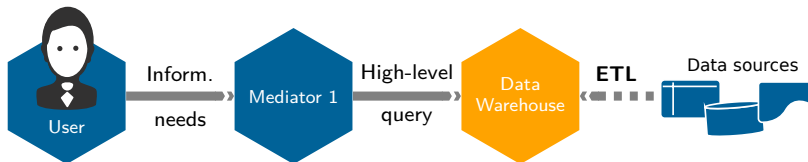
## General approach: two steps

- 1 Translate the information needs into a **high-level query**
- 2 Answer the high-level query **automatically**

# Choice 1: How to derive data from the data sources

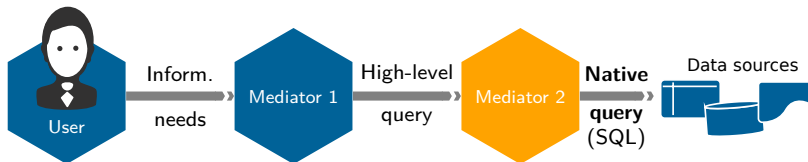
## Extract Transform Load (ETL) process

E.g. relational data warehouse, triplestore



## Virtual views

E.g. virtual databases (Teiid, Apache Drill, Exareme), **OBDA** (Ontop)

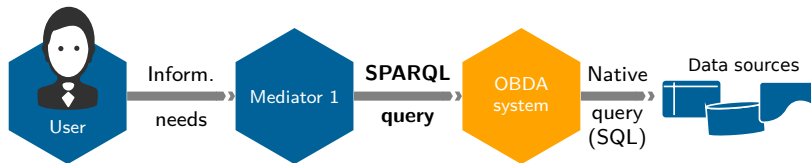




## Choice 2: How to represent the derived data

New representation	Corresponding query language
Relational schema	SQL
JSON document	Mongo Aggregate, SQL (with e.g. Drill or Teiid)
XML document	XPath, XQuery, SQL (with e.g. Teiid)
RDF graph	SPARQL

# Ontology-Based Data Access (OBDA)



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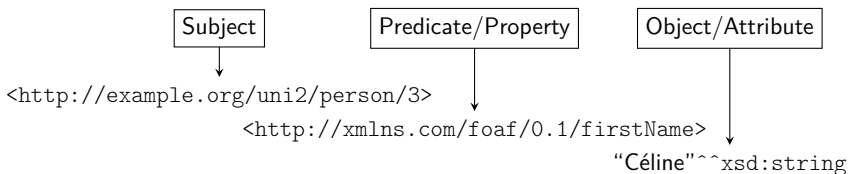
- 1 New relational schema, JSON or XML documents
- 2 **Resource Description Framework (RDF)**

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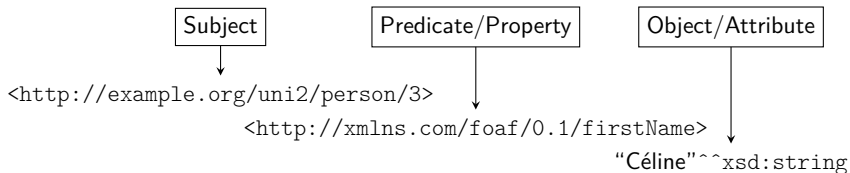
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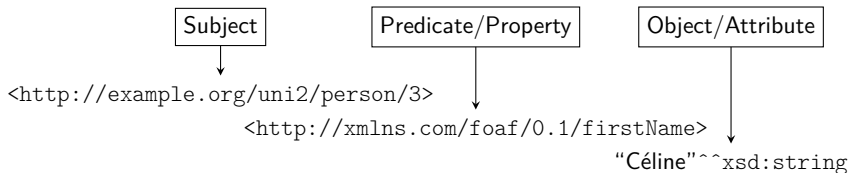


With the base IRI `http://example.org/` and some prefixes:

<code>&lt;uni2/person/3&gt;</code>	<code>foaf:lastName</code>	<code>"Mendez"^^xsd:string</code>
<code>&lt;uni2/person/1&gt;</code>	<code>rdf:type</code>	<code>:AssociateProfessor</code>
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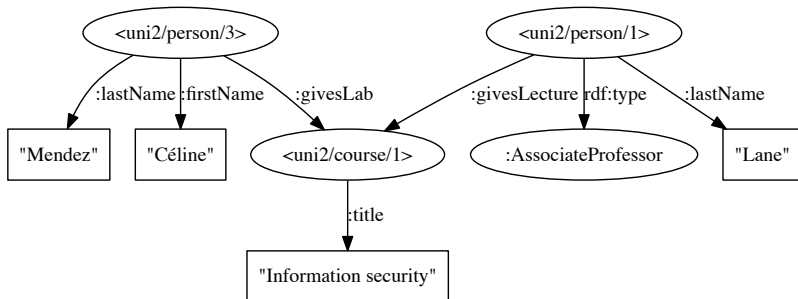
## Some characteristics

- Use global identifiers (IRI)
- Fixed arity (ternary)
- Self-descriptive
- *Advanced: blank nodes*

## RDF graph

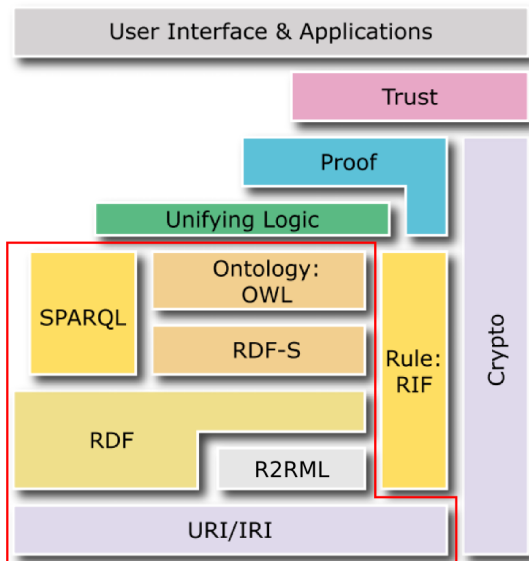
- Labelled directed graph
- Set of triples
- Trivial to merge
- *Advanced: named graph*

# RDF graph



# Semantic Web technologies

## Layer cake





# SPARQL

## SPARQL Protocol and RDF Query Language

Title of courses taught by a professor and professor names

```
PREFIX : <http://example.org/voc#>  
# Other prefixes omitted
```

```
SELECT ?title ?fName ?lName {  
  
  ?teacher rdf:type :Professor .  
  ?teacher :teaches ?course .  
  ?teacher foaf:lastName ?lName .  
  
  ?course :title ?title .  
  
  OPTIONAL {  
    ?teacher foaf:firstName ?fName .  
  }  
}
```

### Algebra

- Basic Graph Patterns
- OPTIONAL
- UNION
- GROUP BY
- MINUS
- FILTER NOT EXISTS

# RDF Schema (RDFS)

## Lightweight ontology

### **rdfs:subClassOf**

	:AssociateProfessor <b>rdfs:subClassOf</b> :Professor . <uni1/academic/1> rdf:type :AssociateProfessor .
⇒	<uni1/academic/1> rdf:type :Professor .

### **rdfs:subPropertyOf**

	:givesLecture <b>rdfs:subPropertyOf</b> :teaches . <uni2/academic/2> :givesLecture <uni2/course/1> .
⇒	<uni2/academic/2> :teaches <uni2/course/1> .

### **rdfs:domain**

	:teaches <b>rdfs:domain</b> :Teacher . <uni2/academic/2> :teaches <uni2/course/1> .
⇒	<uni2/academic/2> rdf:type :Teacher .

### **rdfs:range**

	:teaches <b>rdfs:range</b> :Course . <uni2/academic/2> :teaches <uni2/course/1> .
⇒	<uni2/course/1> rdf:type :Course .

# Web Ontology Language (OWL)

## Some constructs

### owl:inverseOf

	:isTaughtBy owl:inverseOf :teaches . <uni2/academic/2> :teaches <uni2/course/1> .
⇒	<uni2/course/1> :isTaughtBy <uni2/academic/2> .

### owl:disjointWith

	:Student owl:disjointWith :Professor . <uni1/academic/19> rdf:type Professor . <uni1/academic/19> rdf:type Student .
⇒	Inconsistent RDF graph

### owl:sameAs

	<uni2/person/2> :sameAs <uni1/academic/21> . <uni2/person/2> :teaches <uni2/course/1> .
⇒	<uni1/academic/21> :teaches <uni2/course/1> .

## Full OWL 2 is very expressive

- Many more constructs
- Computation costs become easily prohibitive

# Profile OWL 2 QL

Based on the Description Logic *DL-Lite<sub>R</sub>*

## Supported constructs

- Class and property hierarchies  
(`rdfs:subClassOf` and  
`rdfs:subPropertyOf`)
- Property domain and range  
(`rdfs:domain`, `rdfs:range`)
- Inverse properties (`owl:inverseOf`)
- Class disjunction (`owl:disjointWith`)
- Mandatory participation (advanced)

## Not supported

- Individual identities  
(`owl:sameAs`)
- Cardinality constraints  
(functional property,  
etc.)
- Many other constructs

## Summary

- Lightweight ontologies
- A bit more than RDFS
- First-order rewritability  
(rewritable into a SQL query)

# Mappings RDB-RDF

Ontop native format (similar to the R2RML standard)

## Source (SQL)

```
SELECT s_id, firstName, lastName  
FROM uni1.student
```

## Target (RDF, Turtle-like)

```
ex:uni1/student/{s_id} a :Student ;  
    foaf:firstName "{firstName}"^^xsd:string ;  
    foaf:lastName "{lastName}"^^xsd:string .
```

## Result

- DBs unified into one RDF graph
- This graph can be queried with SPARQL

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## Other mappings

### Object property (:teaches)

Target (RDF)	<code>ex:uni1/academic/{a_id} :teaches</code> <code>ex:uni1/course/{c_id} .</code>
Source	<code>SELECT *</code> <code>FROM "uni1"."teaching"</code>

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### Magic number

Target (RDF)	ex:uni1/academic/{a_id} a :FullProfessor .
Source	<b>SELECT</b> * <b>FROM</b> "uni1"."academic" <b>WHERE</b> "position" = 1

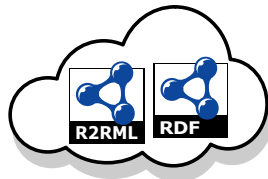
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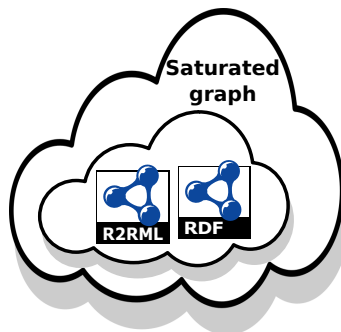


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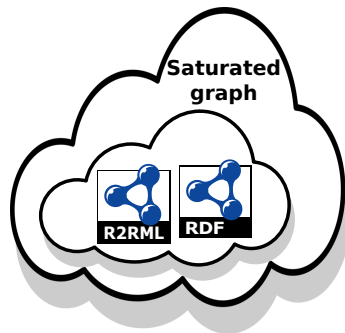


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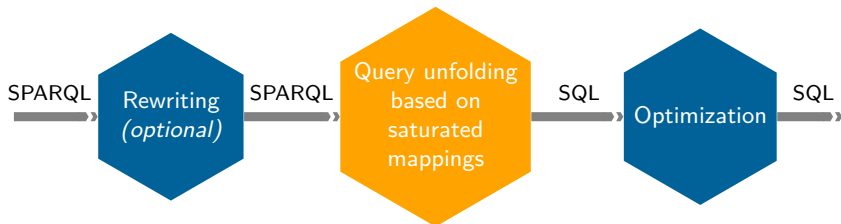
- ETL + saturation
- Maintenance
- + Expressive ontology profiles (like OWL 2 RL)

## Virtual RDF graph

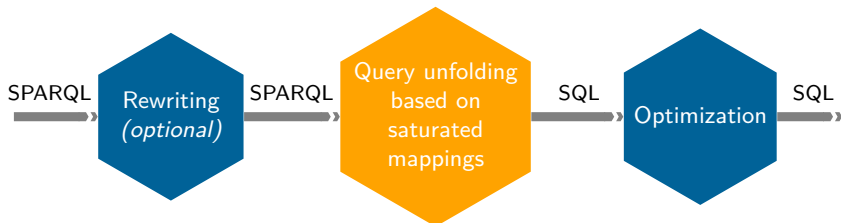
- Query reformulation
- + No materialization
- Limited profiles like OWL 2 QL\*

(\*) Includes an inference mechanism not present in the OWL 2 RL profile

# Query reformulation



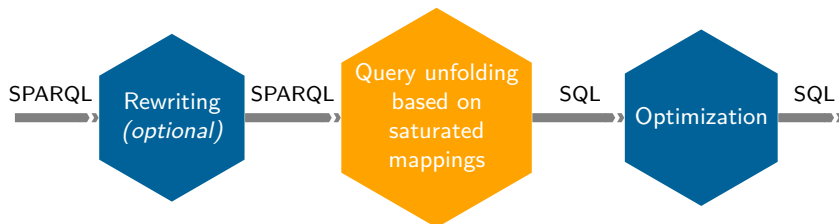
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## Mapping saturation

- Query containment optimization
- Not only OWL 2 QL:
  - Horn fragment of OWL 2 [Botoeva *et al.*, 2016c]
  - SWRL with linear recursion [Xiao *et al.*, 2014]

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## Functional constraints

- Primary and foreign keys, unique constraints
- Implicit in the business processes (*Statoil*)
- Vital for query reformulation!

# Ontop

<http://ontop.inf.unibz.it>



## Ontop framework

- Started in 2010
- Open-source (*Apache 2*)
- W3C standard compliant (*SPARQL, OWL 2 QL, R2RML*)
- Supports all major relational DBs (*Oracle, DB2, Postgres, MySQL, etc.*) and some virtual DBs (*Teiid, Exareme*)

## Components

- Java APIs
- Protégé extension (GUI)
- Sesame endpoint

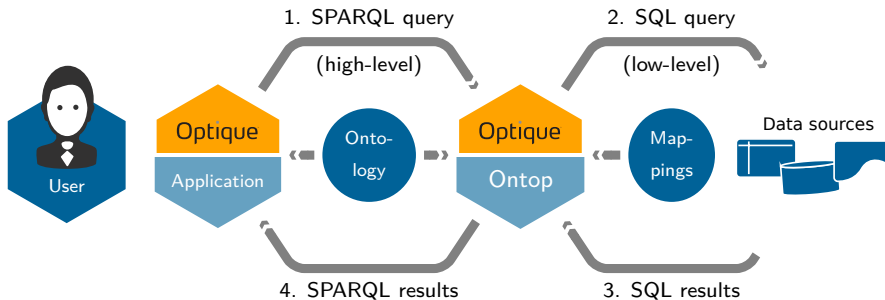
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- Optique platform
- Stardog 4.0 (virtual graphs)

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# Optique platform



# Visual query formulation (Optique VQS)

<http://optique-northwind.fluidops.net/demo/demo>

The screenshot displays the VisualQueryFormulation web application interface. The browser window shows the URL `optique-northwind.fluidops.net/resource/Vis` and the page title "VisualQueryFormulation".

The main workspace features a query diagram titled "Supplier" on a light gray grid background. The diagram consists of four nodes connected by lines:

- Products supplied by a Japanese company** (Text node): Please provide a description here...
- Product** (Entity node): Product name(o) with a cube icon.
- Supplier** (Entity node): Company name(o) with a factory icon.
- Location** (Entity node): Country(o) Country(c) with a location pin icon.

The relationships between the nodes are labeled: "supplied by" connects the Product and Supplier nodes, and "located in" connects the Supplier and Location nodes.

Below the diagram is a toolbar with the following buttons:

- Delete Node
- Undo
- Redo
- New Query
- Save Query
- Stored Queries

The bottom section of the interface is divided into two panels, both titled "Supplier".

The left panel contains a search bar and two entity cards:

- Product**: A product this supplier supplies. (Icon: cube)
- Location**: The location of this company. (Icon: location pin)

The right panel contains a search bar and two entity cards:

- Phone**: (Icon: phone handset)
- Supplier ID**: (Icon: ID card)

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# Cross-linked datasets

[Calvanese *et al.*, 2015]

## Linking tables

- Different identifiers used across datasets
- Tables keeping track of the equivalence

$D_1$  and  $D_2$

id1	id2
a1	b2
a2	b1

$D_2$  and  $D_3$

id2	id3
b1	c4
b2	c3

$D_1$  and  $D_3$

id1	id3
a3	c5

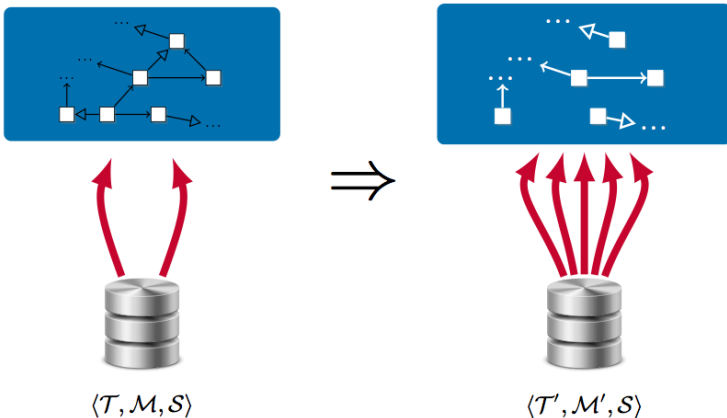
## Support for linking tables

- SPARQL query rewriting
- `owl:sameAs` properties specified in the mappings
- Pruning based on incompatible URI templates



# Beyond OWL 2 QL (I)

Framework for rewriting and approximation of OBDA specifications [Botoeva *et al.*, 2016c]



**Rewriting** The new specification is equivalent to the original one w.r.t. query answering (**query-inseparable**).

**Approximation** The new specification is a sound approximation of the original one w.r.t. query answering.

# Beyond OWL 2 QL (II)

$$\mathcal{T} = \{ A \sqcap B \sqsubseteq C \}$$

$$\mathcal{M} = \{ \text{SQL}_A(x) \rightsquigarrow A(x), \\ \text{SQL}_B(x) \rightsquigarrow B(x) \} \Rightarrow$$

$$\mathcal{T}' = \{ \}$$

$$\mathcal{M}' = \{ \text{SQL}_A(x) \rightsquigarrow A(x), \\ \text{SQL}_B(x) \rightsquigarrow B(x), \\ \text{SQL}_A(x) \wedge \text{SQL}_B(x) \rightsquigarrow C(x) \}$$

$$\mathcal{T} = \{ \exists R.A \sqsubseteq C \}$$

$$\mathcal{M} = \{ \text{SQL}_A(x) \rightsquigarrow A(x), \\ \text{SQL}_R(x, y) \rightsquigarrow R(x, y) \} \Rightarrow$$

$$\mathcal{T}' = \{ \}$$

$$\mathcal{M}' = \{ \text{SQL}_A(x) \rightsquigarrow A(x), \\ \text{SQL}_R(x, y) \rightsquigarrow R(x, y), \\ \text{SQL}_R(x, y) \wedge \text{SQL}_A(y) \rightsquigarrow C(x) \}$$

$$\mathcal{T} = \{ \exists R.A \sqsubseteq A \}$$

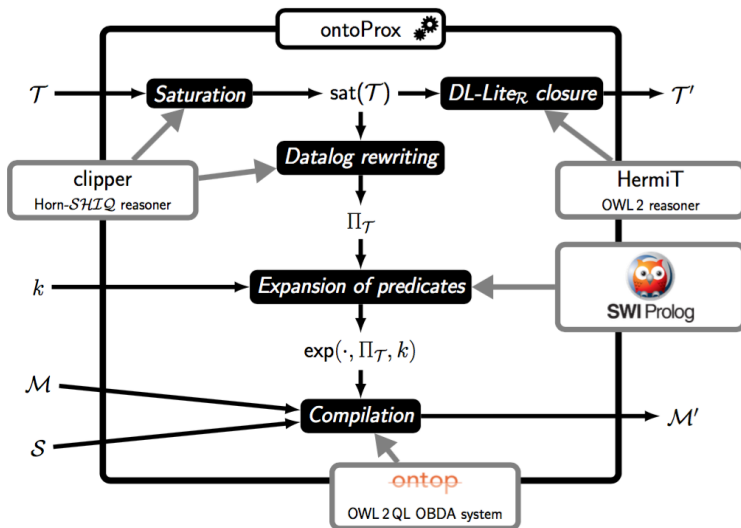
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# Beyond OWL 2 QL (III)

New tool: ontoprox



# MongoDB

A popular document database

## JSON document described an awarded scientist

```
{ "_id": 4,
  "awards": [ {"award": "Rosing Prize", "year": 1999, "by": "Norwegian Data Association"},
               {"award": "Turing Award", "year": 2001, "by": "ACM" },
               {"award": "IEEE John von Neumann Medal", "year": 2001, "by": "IEEE"} ],
  "birth": "1926-08-27",
  "contribs": ["OOP", "Simula"],
  "death": "2002-08-10",
  "name": {"first": "Kristen", "last": "Nygaard"}
}
```

## Persons who received two awards in the same year

```
db.bios.aggregate([
  {$project : {"name": true, "award1": "$awards", "award2": "$awards" }},
  {$unwind: "$award1"}, {$unwind: "$award2"},
  {$project: {"name": true, "award1": true, "award2": true,
               "twoInOneYear": { $and: [ {$eq: ["$award1.year", "$award2.year"]},
                                         {$ne: ["$award1.award", "$award2.award"]} ]}},
  {$match: {"twoInOneYear": true} },
  {$project : {"firstName": "$name.first",      "lastName": "$name.last" ,
               "awardName1": "$award1.award", "awardName2": "$award2.award",
               "year": "$award1.year" }}
])
```

# MongoDB support

[Botoeva *et al.*, 2016a] [Botoeva *et al.*, 2016b]

## MongoDB

- Document database
- JSON-like documents
- Does not respect first normal form (arrays)

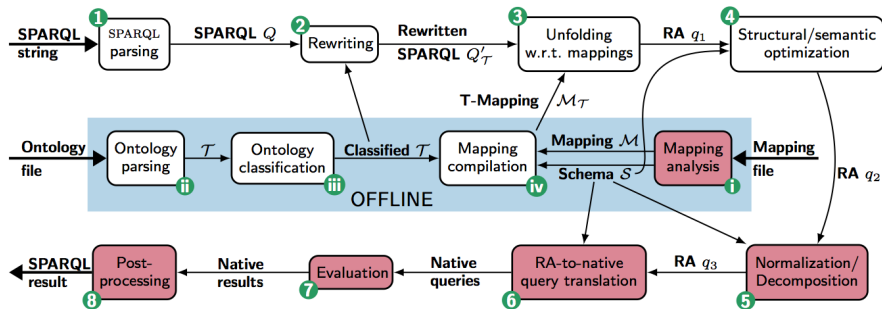
## Mongo Aggregation Framework

- Query language
- Use absolute paths
- At least as expressive as relational algebra (MUPGL fragment)

## Integration in the OBDA setting

- JSON-RDF mapping language
- (First normal form) relational views over MongoDB
- Translation from relational algebra

For supporting non-relational databases



In red: components that are DB-specific.

# Outline

- 1 SQL queries over tables can be hard to write manually
- 2 RDF and other Semantic Web standards
- 3 Ontology-Based Data Access
- 4 Optique platform
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# Conclusion

## Main message: we need high-level access to data

- 1 SQL queries over tables can be difficult to write manually (low-level)
- 2 OBDA is a powerful solution for high-level data access
- 3 Ontop is an open-source OBDA framework

## Work in progress

- SPARQL aggregation
- MongoDB
- Better SPARQL OPTIONAL
- SPARQL MINUS

## Links

- Github : [ontop/ontop](https://github.com/ontop/ontop)
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# Introductory resources

Journal paper [Calvanese *et al.*, 2016]

## **Ontop: Answering SPARQL Queries over Relational Databases.**

Diego Calvanese, Benjamin Cogrel, Sarah Komla-Ebri, Roman Kontchakov, Davide Lanti, Martin Rezk, Mariano Rodriguez-Muro, and Guohui Xiao.

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## Tutorial

<https://github.com/ontop/ontop-examples/tree/master/swj-2015>

## University example

<https://github.com/ontop/ontop-examples/tree/master/university>

## EPNET SPARQL endpoint

<http://136.243.8.213/epnet-pleiades-edh/>

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