Building and Using an Open Knowledge Graph *for* and *from* Open Data



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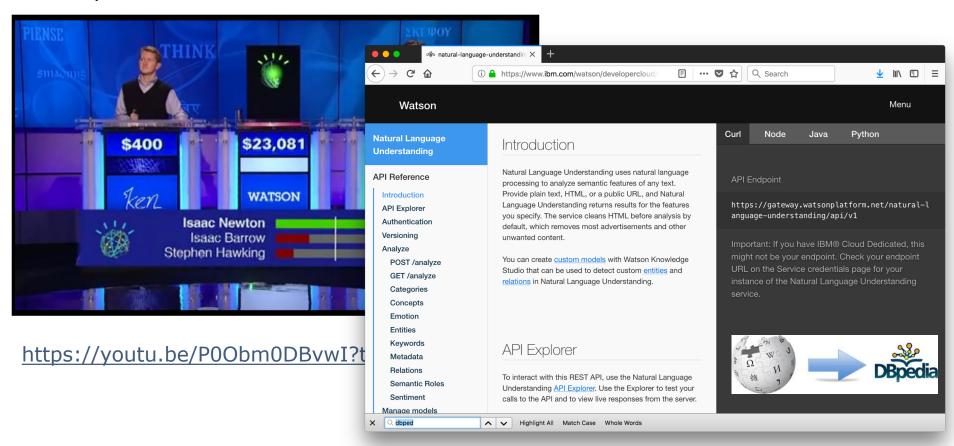
What is Open Data?

How do they connect?

2 applications for using Knowledge Graphs & Linked Data for *Open Data Search*!



Probably I don't need to ask this here...



But seriously: What IS a Knowledge Graph?

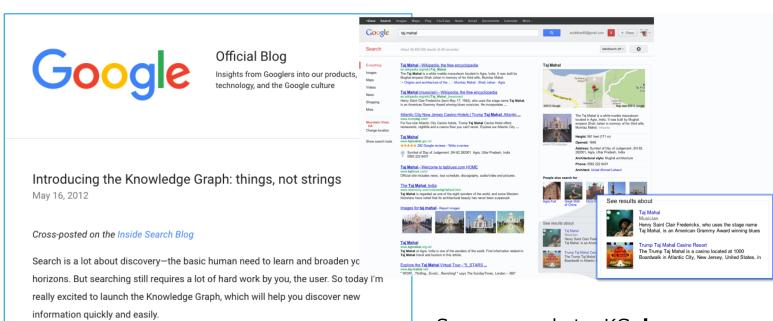
Take a query like [taj mahal]. For more than four decades, search has essentially been

about matching keywords to queries. To a search engine the words [taj mahal] have



... good question!

been just that-two words.



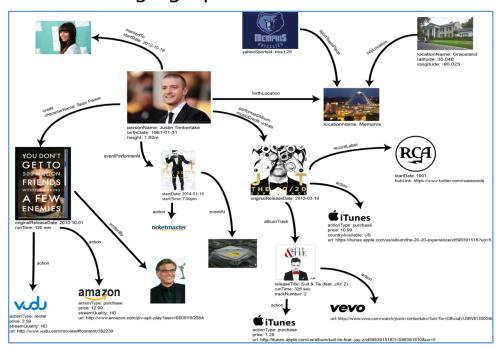
Says more what a KG **does** than what it **is**... "interesting things and [understanding their] relationships [to improve Search]"



Semantic Search: Yahoo's knowledge graph...

Source: What happened to the Semantic Web? Peter Mika, Keynote at ACM Hypertext, July 5, 2017

https://www.slidesh are.net/pmika/what -happened-to-thesemantic-web

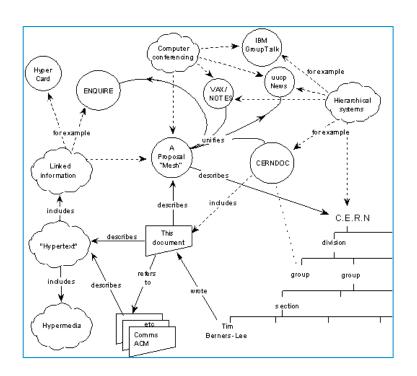




Doesn't look too different from that one?

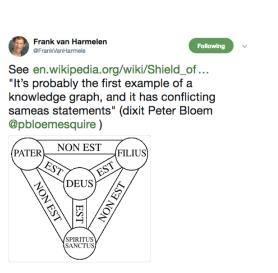
Source:

https://www.w3.org/ History/1989/proposa I.html Tim Berners-Lee, 1989





 Some more random proposals of what was the "first knowledge graph from social media...:

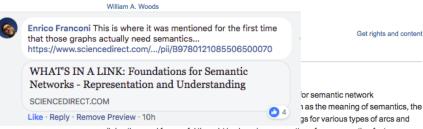


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WHAT'S IN A LINK: Foundations for Semantic Networks

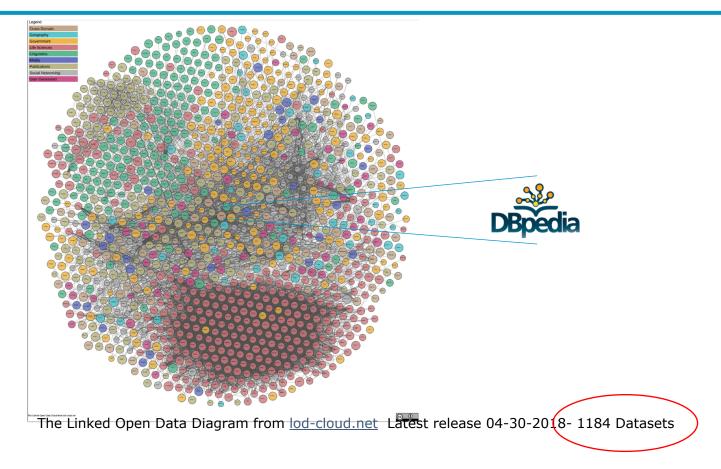


links, the need for careful thought in choosing conventions for representing facts as assemblages of arcs and nodes, and several specific difficult problems in knowledge representation—especially problems of relative clauses and quantification. When the semantics of the notations are made clear, many of the techniques used in existing semantic networks are inadequate for representing knowledge in general. The chapter presents the logical inadequacies of almost all current network notations for representing quantified information and also discusses some of the disadvantages of a few logically adequate techniques.

https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/B9780121085506500070

When we hear about Open Data and Knowledge Graphs... many think about Linked Open Data...





So What is actually Linked Data...?



https://www.w3.org/community/webize/2014/01/17/what-is-5-star-linked-data/

| * | Available on the web (whatever format) but with an open licence, to be Open Data |
|------|---|
| ** | Available as machine-readable structured data (e.g. excel instead of image scan of a table) |
| *** | as (2) plus non-proprietary format (e.g. CSV instead of excel) |
| *** | All the above plus, Use open standards from W3C (RDF and SPARQL) to identify things, so that people can point at your stuff |
| **** | All the above, plus: Link your data to other people's data to provide context |

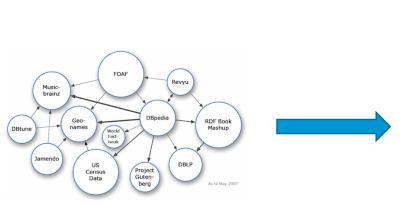
Linked Data Principles

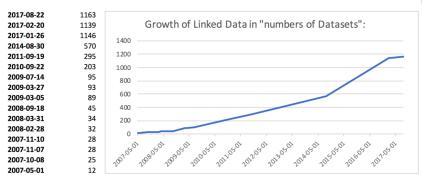
- LDP1: use URIs as names for things
- LDP2: use HTTP URIs so those names can be dereferenced
- LDP3: return useful RDF? information upon dereferencing those URIs
- LDP4: include links using externally dereferenceable URIs.

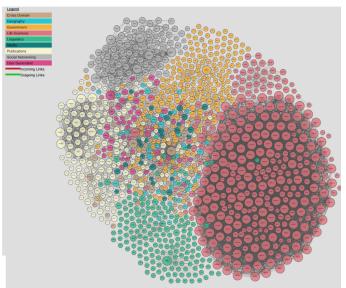
https://www.w3.org/DesignIssues/LinkedData.html

Linked Open Data... growth since ~10 years









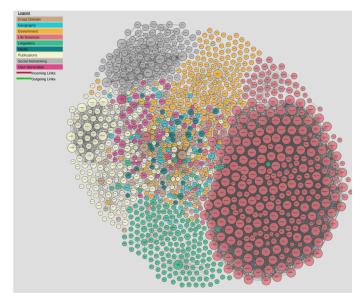
Linking Open Data cloud diagram 2007-2017, by Andrejs Abele, John P. McCrae, Paul Buitelaar, Anja Jentzsch and Richard Cyganiak. http://lod-cloud.net/

Linked Open Data...



Summary:

- Web inspired Data exchange Format (RDF)
- Open Standards and Principles to build, publish and interlink decentralized Knowledge Graphs
- Did in fact inspire many other Knowledge Graphs!



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But: Open Data is a lot more than Linked Open Data...



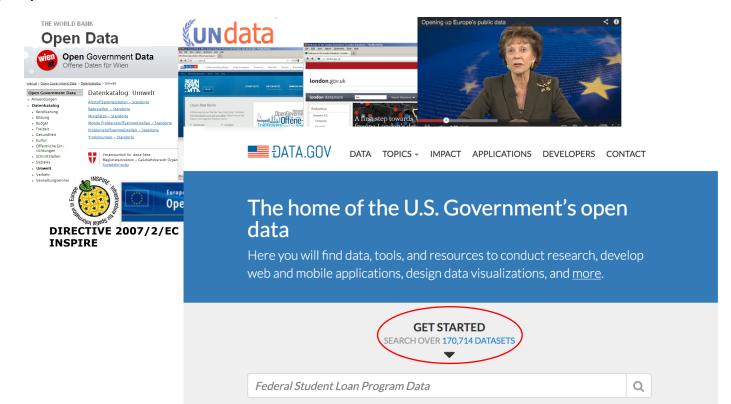
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Open Data is a Global Trend!



EU & Austria, but also the (previous) US and UK administration are/were pushing Open Data!

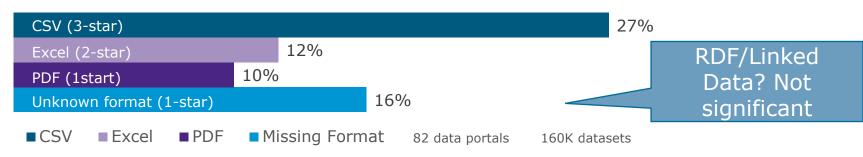


(Structured) Open Data comes in various ways





Available data is only partially structured and not linked [1]:



Open Data as a Global Trend:

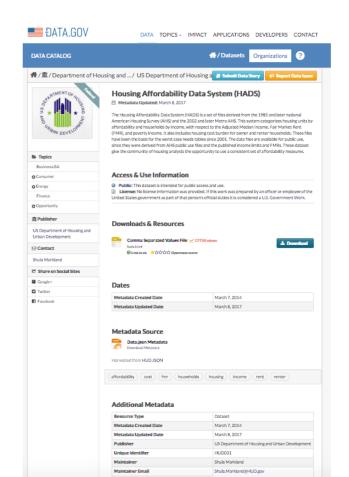


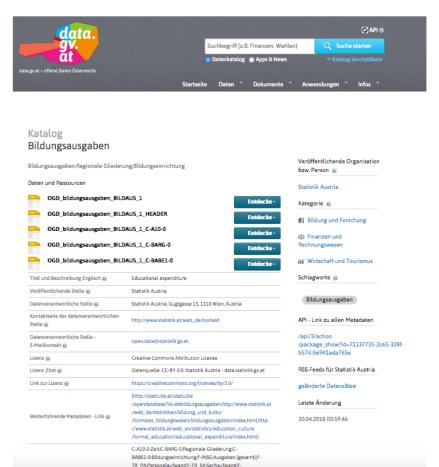
| Country | URL | Datasets |
|---------------|------------------|----------|
| United States | data.gov | 170.7k |
| Canada | open.canada.ca | 79.1k |
| UK | data.gov.uk | 45.1k |
| France | www.data.gouv.fr | 34.2k |
| Russia | opengovdata.ru | 30.3k |
| Japan | data.go.jp | 21k |
| Italy | dati.gov.it | 20.4k |
| Germany | govdata.de | 19.8k |

Data portals of the G8 countries

Different portals...

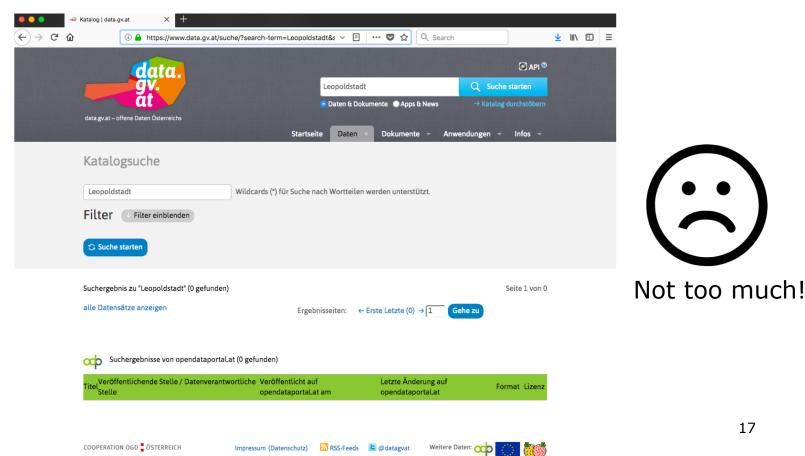






What do you find on Open Data Portals?



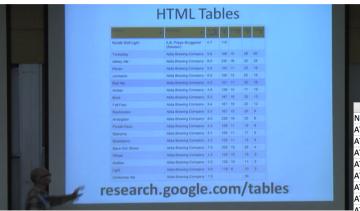


Why is Search in Open Data a problem?



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kCAymmbYIvc

Structured Data in Web Search by Alon Halevy



Data Integration as Search



| NUTS2 | NUTS3 | DISTRICT_CODE | SUB_DISTRICT_CODE | POP_TOTAL | POP_MEN | POP_WOMEN | REF_DATE | |
|-------|-------|---------------|-------------------|-----------|---------|-----------|------------|--|
| AT13 | AT130 | 90101 | 0 | 16131 | 7726 | 8405 | 01.01.2014 | |
| AT13 | AT130 | 90201 | 0 | 99597 | 48650 | 50947 | 01.01.2014 | |
| AT13 | AT130 | 90301 | 0 | 86454 | 41085 | 45369 | 01.01.2014 | |
| AT13 | AT130 | 90401 | 0 | 31452 | 14903 | 16549 | 01.01.2014 | |
| AT13 | AT130 | 90501 | 0 | 53610 | 26299 | 27311 | 01.01.2014 | |
| AT13 | AT130 | 90601 | 0 | 30613 | 14833 | 15780 | 01.01.2014 | |
| AT13 | AT130 | 90701 | 0 | 30792 | 14703 | 16089 | 01.01.2014 | |
| AT13 | AT130 | 90801 | 0 | 24279 | 11855 | 12424 | 01.01.2014 | |
| AT13 | AT130 | 90901 | 0 | 40528 | 19286 | 21242 | 01.01.2014 | |
| AT13 | AT130 | 91001 | 0 | 186450 | 91638 | 94812 | 01.01.2014 | |
| AT13 | AT130 | 91101 | 0 | 93440 | 45541 | 47899 | 01.01.2014 | |
| AT13 | AT130 | 91201 | 0 | 90874 | 43752 | 47122 | 01.01.2014 | |

Open Data Search is hard...

- a) No natural language "cues" like in Web tables...
- b) Existing knowledge graphs don't cover the domain of "Open Data" well
- c) Open Data is not properly geo-referenced

2 applications for using Knowledge Graphs & Linked Data for Open Data Search!



- What we do: 2 approaches how knowledge graphs could help to solve the Open Data search problem (aside the obvious):
 - 1. Hierarchical labelling of Labeling of numeric data
 - 2. Hierarchical labelling of Spatio-Temporal entities

Example Table



| federal state | district | year | sex | population |
|----------------|----------|------|------|------------|
| Hanan Arrabaia | 1: | 2012 | | 00157 |
| Upper Austria | Linz | 2013 | male | 98157 |
| Upper Austria | Steyr | 2013 | male | 18763 |
| | - | | | |
| Upper Austria | Wels | 2013 | male | 29730 |
| | | | | |

Open Data CSVs look more like this



| NUTS2 | LAU2_NAME | YEAR | YEAR SEX | |
|-------|-----------|------|----------|-------|
| AT31 | Linz | 2013 | 1 | 98157 |
| AT31 | Steyr | 2013 | 1 | 18763 |
| AT31 | Wels | 2013 | 1 | 29730 |
| | | | | |

Why not use the numeric values?



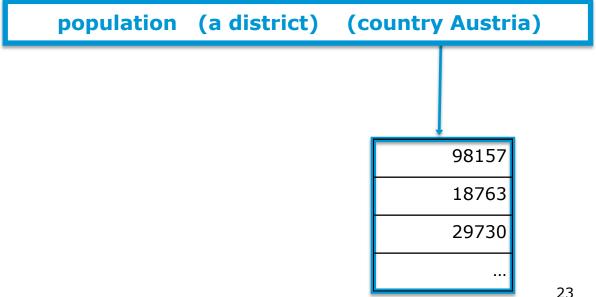
- Identifying the most likely semantic label for a bag of numerical values
- Deliberately ignore surroundings

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|-------|-----------|------|-----|---------|
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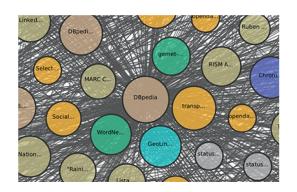


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Background Knowledge Graph





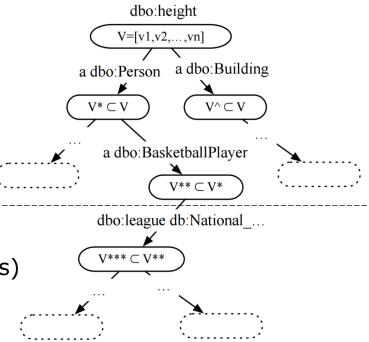
What's in there?

- Cities
 - Population
 - Area
 - Country
 - Location (Coordinates)
 - Economic indicators
 - ..
- Organisations:
 - Revenues
 - Board members
 - ...
- Persons (e.g. celebrities, sports)
 - Name
 - Profession
 - Height
- Landmarks (e.g. famous buildings)
 - Country
 - Location
 - Height
- Events
 - Dates
 - Location

Background Knowledge Graph

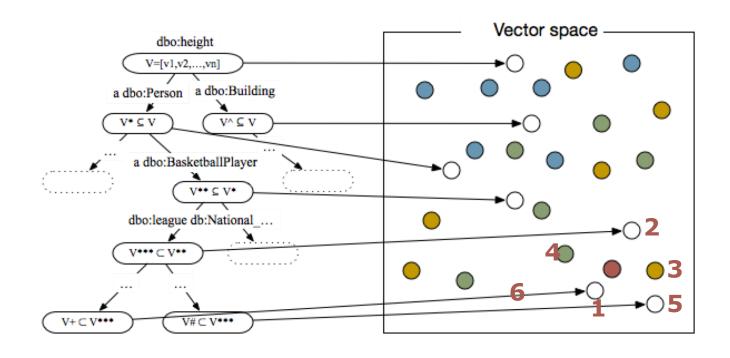


- Find properties with numerical range
- Hierarchical clustering approach
- Two hierarchical layers:
 - Type hierarchy (using OWL classes)
 - Property-object hierarchy (shared property-object pairs)



Label based on Nearest Neighbors





Example OD Labelling



populationTotal (a Settlement) populationDensity (a City)

| NUTS1 | NUTS2 | NUTS3 | DISTRICT_CODE | T | WV | WK | BZ | SPR | WBER | ABG. | UNG. | OEVP | SPOE | FPOE | GRUE | BZOE | NEOS |
|-------|-------|-------|---------------|---|----|----|----|-----|---------|--------|------|-------|--------|-------|--------|------|-------|
| AT1 | AT13 | AT130 | | 1 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1163061 | 503284 | 9386 | 81974 | 136391 | 89963 | 103249 | 1516 | 44891 |
| AT1 | AT13 | AT130 | | 2 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 111279 | 52674 | 774 | 9344 | 12395 | 6482 | 14154 | 114 | 5412 |
| AT1 | AT13 | AT130 | | 2 | 9 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 98379 | 51785 | 646 | 10324 | 10236 | 4700 | 15398 | 124 | 6569 |
| AT1 | AT13 | AT130 | | 2 | 9 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 110527 | 45483 | 810 | 5317 | 13304 | 7816 | 10944 | 115 | 3613 |
| AT1 | AT13 | AT130 | | 2 | 9 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 229521 | 84387 | 1953 | 10097 | 27922 | 21091 | 11631 | 256 | 5299 |
| AT1 | AT13 | AT130 | | 2 | 9 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 212262 | 97755 | 1806 | 18703 | 25314 | 16613 | 19333 | 324 | 9175 |
| AT1 | AT13 | AT130 | | 2 | 9 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 175288 | 82790 | 1321 | 17560 | 19059 | 11765 | 18996 | 242 | 8389 |
| AT1 | AT13 | AT130 | | 2 | 9 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 225805 | 88410 | 2076 | 10629 | 28161 | 21496 | 12793 | 341 | 6434 |
| AT1 | AT13 | AT130 | 90301 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 57528 | 27320 | 412 | 4938 | 6586 | 3567 | 6969 | 68 | 2789 |
| AT1 | AT13 | AT130 | 90401 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 21000 | 11027 | 138 | 2401 | 2253 | 1068 | 3082 | 26 | 1277 |
| AT1 | AT13 | AT130 | 90501 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 32751 | 14327 | 224 | 2005 | 3556 | 1847 | 4103 | 20 | 1346 |

Source: http://data.wu.ac.at/iswc2016_numlabels/submission/col14.html

Lessons learned



- We can assign fine-grained semantic labels
 - If there is enough evidence in BK
- However: Missing domain knowledge for labelling OD

Future work:

- Complementary to existing approaches (column header labeling, entity linking and relation extraction)
- Combined approaches may improve results
- Focusing on core dimensions of specific domains e.g. city data, maye more promising than "general" value labeling.

International Semantic Web conference 2016:

Multi-level semantic labelling of numerical values

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What else can we do/use?



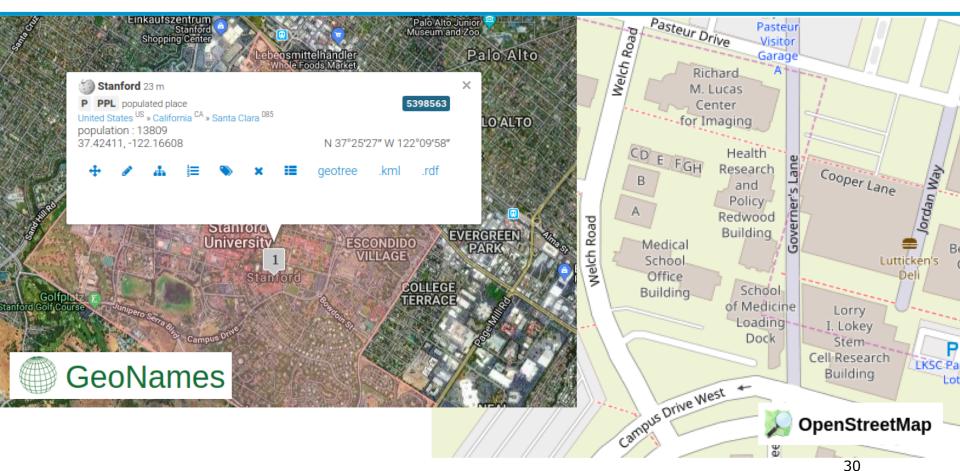
Focus on specific dimensions:

Particularly temporal and geospatial queries require better support [2]

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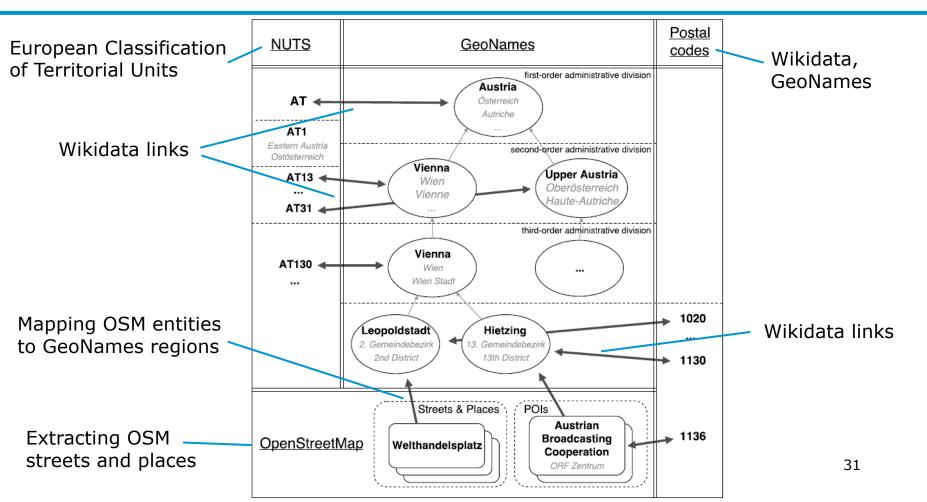
Available Geospatial Knowledge Bases





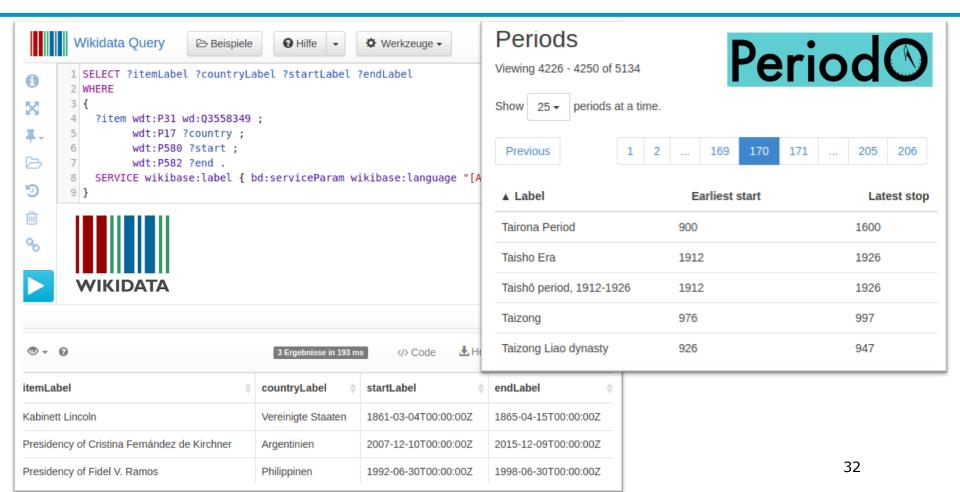
Geo-Knowledge Graph Construction





Available Temporal Knowledge





Temporal Knowledge Graph Construction



```
CONSTRUCT {
  ?event rdfs:label ?label ; dcterms:isPartOf ?Parent ; dcterms:coverage ?geocoordinates ;
    timex:hasStartTime ?StartDateTime ; timex:hasEndTime ?EndDateTime ; dcterms:spatial ?geoentity .
 # find events with (for the moment) English, German, or non-language-specific labels:
  ?event wdt:P31/wdt:P279* wd:Q1190554 . ?event rdfs:label ?label .
  FILTER( LANG(?label) = "en" || LANG(?label) = "de" || LANG(?label) = "" ).
  # restrict to certain event categories, e.g. (for the moment) elections and sports events:
  { # elections #sports competitions
  { ?event wdt:P31/wdt:P279* wd:Q40231 } UNION { ?event wdt:P31/wdt:P279* wd:Q13406554 }
  { # with a point in time or start end end date
   { ?event wdt:P585 ?StartDateTime . FILTER ( ?StartDateTime > "1900-01-01T00:00:00"^xsd:dateTime) }
   { ?event wdt:P580 ?StartDateTime. FILTER ( ?StartDateTime > "1900-01-01T00:00:00"^^xsd:dateTime)
      ?event wdt:P582 ?EndDateT. FILTER ( DATATYPE(?EndDateT) = xsd:dateTime) }
  OPTIONAL { ?event wdt:P361 ?Parent }
  # specific spatialCoverage if available
  OPTIONAL { ?event wdt:P276?/(wdt:P17|wdt:P131) ?geoentity }
  OPTIONAL { ?event wdt:P276?/wdt:P625 ?geocoordinates }
  BIND (if(bound(?EndDateT), ?EndDateT, xsd:dateTime(concat(str(xsd:date(?StartDateTime)), "T23:59:59"))) AS ?EndDateTime)
CONSTRUCT {
  ?P rdfs:label ?label ; dcterms:isPartOf ?Parent ; dcterms:spatial ?geo ;
  timex:hasStartTime ?StartDateTime ; timex:hasEndTime ?EndDateTime
} WHERE {
   { ?P skos:prefLabel ?label } UNION { ?P skos:altLabel ?label } UNION { ?P rdfs:label ?label }
 ?P time:intervalFinishedBy ?End ; time:intervalStartedBy ?Start.
 OPTIONAL { ?P periodo:spatialCoverage ?geo }
 OPTIONAL { ?P dcterms:spatial ?geo }
 OPTIONAL { ?P dcterms:isPartOf ?Parent. }
  OPTIONAL{ ?End time:hasDateTimeDescription ?EndTime .
   OPTIONAL{ ?EndTime time: year ?EndYear }
   OPTIONAL{ ?EndTime periodo:latestYear ?EndYear }
 OPTIONAL{ ?StartTime time:year ?StartYear }
   OPTIONAL{ ?End (!periodo:aux)+ ?EndYear. FILTER (isLiteral(?StartYear)) }
FILTER( ?StartYear >= "1900"^xsd:gYear || xsd:integer(?StartYear) >= 1900 ||
       ?EndYear >= "1900"^^xsd:gYear || xsd:integer(?EndYear) >= 1900 )
 BIND( xsd:dateTime(concat(str(?StartYear),"-01-01T00:00:00")) as ?StartDateTime )
 BIND( xsd:dateTime(concat(str(?EndYear),"-12-31T23:59:59")) as ?EndDateTime ) }
```

- Named events and their labels
- Links to parent periods
- Temporal extent: a single beginning and end date
- Links to the spatial coverage

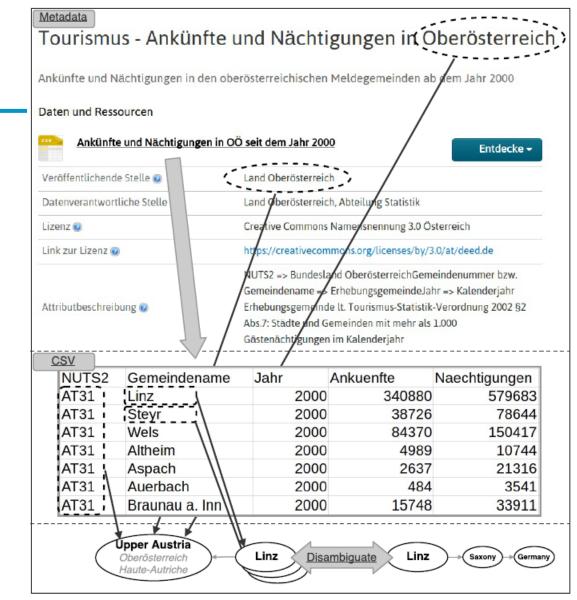
Dataset Labelling

Metadata descriptions

- Geo-entities in titles, descriptions, organizations
- Restricted to "origin" country of the dataset (from portal)
- Temporal tagging using Heideltime framework [3]

CSV cell value disambiguation

- Row context:
 - Filter candidates by potential parents (if available)
- Column context:
 - Least common ancestor of the spatial entities



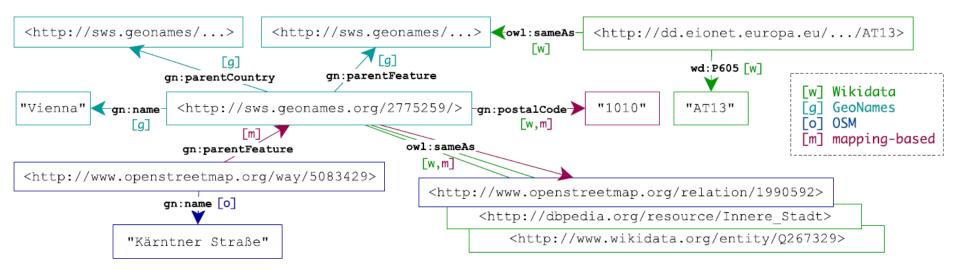
Indexed Datasets



| portal | $\underline{\text{datasets}}$ | $\underline{\mathbf{CSVs}}$ | indexed |
|------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------|
| total | | | 15728 |
| govdata.de | 19464 | 10006 | 5646 |
| data.gv.at | 20799 | 18283 | 2791 |
| offenedaten.de | 28372 | 4961 | 2530 |
| datos.gob.es | 17132 | 8809 | 1275 |
| data.gov.ie | 6215 | 1194 | 884 |
| data.overheid.nl | 12283 | 1603 | 828 |
| data.gov.uk | 44513 | 7814 | 594 |
| data.gov.gr | 6648 | 414 | 496 |
| data.gov.sk | 1402 | 877 | 384 |
| www.data.gouv.fr | 28401 | 6038 | 258 |
| opingogn.is | 54 | 49 | 41 |

RDF Export 1/2: Knowledge Graph





- Spatial and temporal base knowledge graph
- Annotated data points in metadata and CSV cells
- CSV metadata using CSVW vocabulary
 - e.g., delimiter, encoding, header, ...

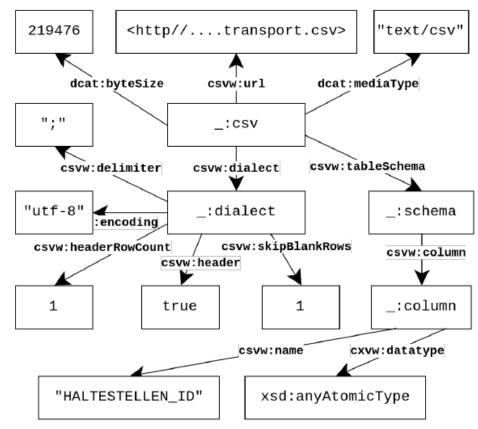
RDF Export 2/2: CSV on the Web Metadata [4]



- Note: no real cell level annotaitons, we needed to add those!
- E.g.:
 - csvwx:cell
 - csvwx:hasTime
 - csvw:refersToEntity
 - ...

Details: cf.:

http://data.wu.ac.at/ns/csvwx



SPARQL Endpoint (1)



Find datasets within time-range and referring to geospatial entity:

```
SELECT ?d ?url WHERE {
  # select the dates of the past two election in Austria
  wd:Q1386143 timex:hasStartTime ?t1 .
  wd:Q19311231 timex:hasStartTime ?t2 .
  # select the min and max date values of a dataset
  ?d dcat:distribution [
    dcat:accessURL ?url;
    timex:hasStartTime ?start ;
    timex:hasEndTime ?end
  # select only datasets about Vienna
  ?d csvwx:refersToEntity <a href="http://sws.geonames.org/2761369/">http://sws.geonames.org/2761369/ .
  FILTER((?start >= ?t1) && (?end <= ?t2))
```

SPARQL Endpoint (2)



Text search for a time period and its temporal and spatial coverage

Query for cells within time period and referring to geo-entity

```
SELECT ?d ?url ?rownum WHERE {
  # get the "Anschluss movement"
  ?p rdfs:label ?L.
  FILTER (CONTAINS(?L, "Anschluss movement") ) .
  ?p timex:hasStartTime ?start ; timex:hasEndTime ?end ; dcterms:spatial ?sp
  # find the GeoNames entities
  ?spatial owl:sameAs ?sp .
  ?d dcat:distribution [ dcat:accessURL ?url ] .
  [] csvw:url ?url ; csvw:tableSchema ?s .
  # find a cell where date falls in the range of the found period
  ?s csvw:column ?col1 .
  ?col1 csvwx:cell [
    csvw:rownum ?rownum ;
    csvwx:hasTime ?cTime
  FILTER((?cTime >= ?start) && (?cTime <= ?end))
  # find another cell in the same row where the geo-entity has the
  # spatial coverage area of the found period as the parent country
  ?s csvw:column ?col2 .
  ?col2 csvwx:cell [
    csvw:rownum ?rownum ;
    csvwx:refersToEntity [ gn:parentCountry ?spatial ]
```

GeoSPARQL Queries



- Standard for representation and querying of geospatial linked data
- (Almost) no complete implementations of GeoSPARQL

```
SELECT ?d ?url ?rownum WHERE {
    # get the geometry of the Viennese district "Leopoldstadt"
    <a href="http://sws.geonames.org/2772614/">http://sws.geonames.org/2772614/</a> geosparql:hasGeometry ?polygon .

?d dcat:distribution [ dcat:accessURL ?url ] .
    [ csvw:url ?url ; csvw:tableSchema ?s ].
    # select the geometries of any annotated cells
    ?s csvw:column ?col .
    ?col csvwx:cell [ csvw:rownum ?rownum ; csvwx:refersToEntity [ geosparql:hasGeometry ?g ]

# filter all annotated data points within the polygon of Leopoldstadt
    FILTER(geof:sfWithin(?g, ?polygon))
}
```

Search Interface

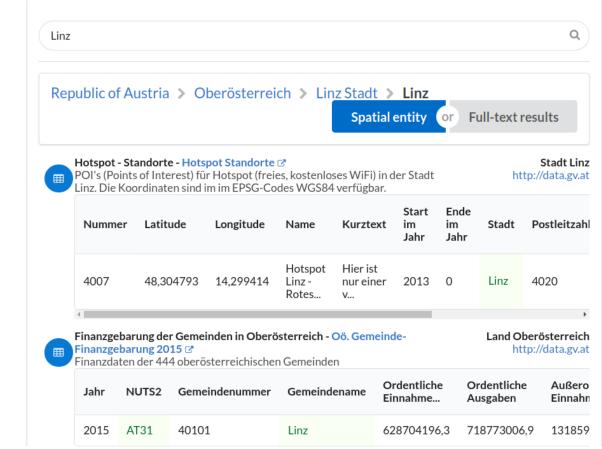
Faceted query interface:

- Timespan
- Time pattern
- Geo-entities
- Full-text queries

Back end:

- MongoDB for efficient key look-ups
- ElasticSearch for indexing and full-text queries
- Virtuoso as a triple store





Conclusions & Outlook



- Open (Structured) Data is a rich source of Knowledge worthwhile to tap into
- Most of it is not (yet) Linked Data.

What we did:

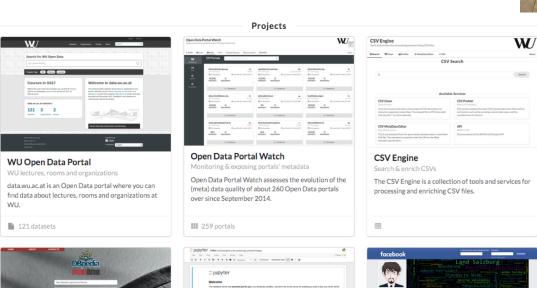
- Hierarchical knowledge graph of spatial and temporal entities
- Algorithms to annotate CSV tables and their metadata descriptions
 - → KGs improve search (with some extra work)

What's next:

- Enable GeoSPARQL (or an alternative geospatial-query language)
- Parsing coordinates in datasets
- Extending the base KG/Linking more entities:
 - Publishing organisations, governance, elections, etc.
- Parse other file fomats, e.g., XML, PDF, ...
- Use our enrichments to link Open data with other data: tweets or web pages (e.g., newspaper articles)

Other Ongoing Projects (data.wu.ac.at)











What else are we working on?



- Open Data Portalwatch
 - 1) Monitoring Metadata quality
 - 2) Mapping to standard vocabularies
 - 3) Enriching Metadata to improve search (talked about that already)

1) Monitoring and QA over evolving data portals



3/2015 [1]:

90portalsOnlyCKAN

8/2015 [2]:

- 6 quality metrics - OA 6/2016 [3]:

- 260 portals
- CKAN, Socrata, OpenDataSoft
- 18 metrics

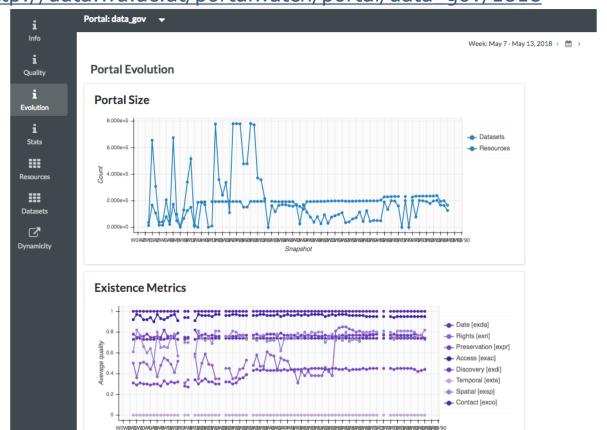
| | total | CKAN | Socrata | ODSoft | DCAT |
|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|--------|-------|
| portals | 261 | 149 | 99 | 11 | 2 |
| datasets | 854,013 | 767,364 | 81,268 | 3,340 | 2,041 |
| URLs | 2,057,924 | 1,964,971 | 104,298 | 12,398 | 6,092 |

- [1] Towards assessing the quality evolution of open data portals. In ODQ2015: Open Data Quality Workshop, Munich, Germany
- [2] Quality assessment & evolution of open data portals. In: International Conference on Open and Big Data, Rome, Italy (2015)
- [3] Automated quality assessment of metadata across open data portals. ACM Journal of Data and Information Quality (2016)



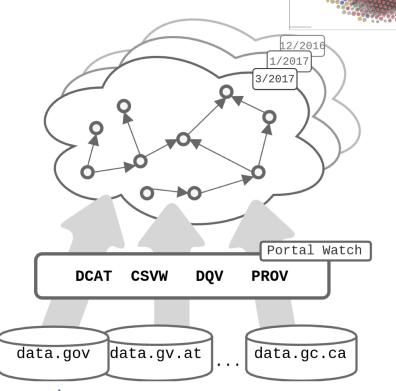


http://data.wu.ac.at/portalwatch/portal/data_gov/1818



2) Mapping to Standard vocabularies & Linked Data

- Mapping & Heuristic Enrichment
 - DCAT
 - PROV
 - CSVW
 - Schema.org
- Enable uniform access:
 - →SPARQL endpoint
 - → Linked Data & Memento Protocol

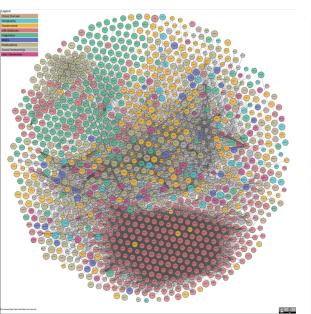


- [1] http://data.wu.ac.at/portalwatch/sparql
- [2] http://data.wu.ac.at/odso/

Thank you!













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Projects











Backup Slides

Spatio-temporal labelling – Evaluation:



Total numbers of spatial and temporal annotations of metadata descriptions and columns:

| | Spatial | Temporal | |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------|-------------------------------|
| $\underline{\text{Columns}}$ | $\underline{\text{Metadata}}$ | Columns | $\underline{\text{Metadata}}$ |
| 3518 | 11231 | 2822 | 9112 |

10 random CSV datasets per portal (11 portals), 10 random rows per dataset:

- In total inspected 101 datasets 1010 rows
- 87 Correctly assigned labels at the dataset level
- 37 CSV datasets that contain potentially missing annotations (e.g. text that would need to be parsed first, or malformed CSVs, etc.)
- 9 Incorrect links to GeoNames
- 9 Incorrect links to OSM