

# Linked Data: Make it short and sweet



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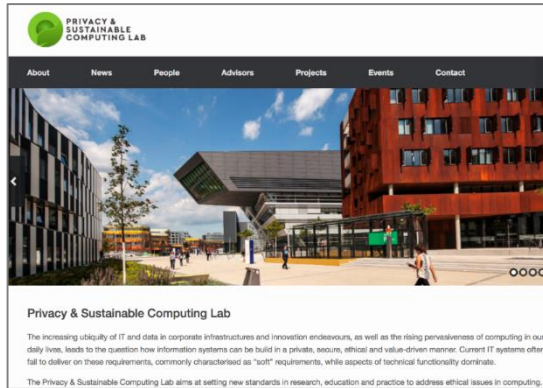
Axel Polleres

- **Research interest:** Semantic Web, Open Data, Big (Semantic) Data Management, Databases, Data Compression, Privacy and Security
- <https://www.wu.ac.at/en/infobiz/team/fernandez/>

# Where I am coming from

## ■ Privacy & Sustainable Computing Lab

- <http://www.privacylab.at/>
- Launched September 2016 with various important stakeholders: technologists, standardization, activists...
- Goal: setting new standards in research, education and practice to address **ethical issues in computing**.



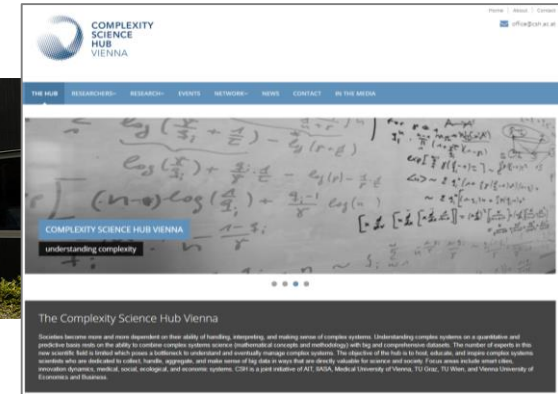
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## ■ Complexity Science Hub Vienna

- <http://csh.ac.at>
- Launched June 2016 with Austrian stakeholders (TU, WU, Medical University of Vienna, TU Graz, AIT, IIASA)
- Goal: host, educate, and inspire complex systems scientists who are dedicated to collect, handle, aggregate, and **make sense of big data** in ways that are directly valuable for science and society.



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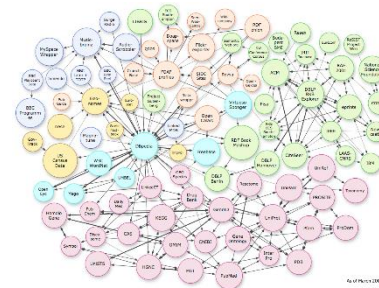


# Motivation. Origins

- 'Simple' task in 2009 (by Claudio Gutiérrez )
  - Let's inspect what people are publishing in RDF
    - Find RDF datasets
    - Download them
    - Do some (simple) queries to inspect the content
- Problems?
  - Discover datasets
  - Huge resources to download (large) datasets
    - + deal with the SPARQL Endpoints (zombies)
  - Messiness of the data
  - Huge resources to index (large) datasets locally
  - Huge resources to query (large) datasets locally and to serve them online



2009



Is it much better now in 2018 ??

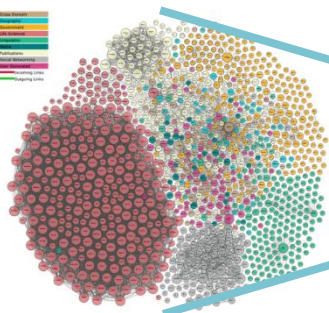
# My main contribution

## ■ Compressing and Indexing of Big Semantic Data



### RDF/HDT

- Highly **compact serialization** of RDF (slightly more than gzip, half size of LZO)
- Allows fast **RDF retrieval** in compressed space (without prior decompression)
  - Includes internal indexes to solve basic queries with small (3%) memory footprint.
    - Very fast on basic queries (**triple patterns**), x 1.5 faster than Virtuoso, Jena, RDF3X.
    - Main backend of Triple Pattern Fragments (**TPF**)
    - Supports FULL SPARQL as the compressed backend store of **Jena**, with an efficiency on the same scale as current more optimized solutions



**LOD-a-lot**

**28**

Billions  
Triples

**524**

GBs  
Size

**15.7**

GBs  
Memory Footprint

**144**

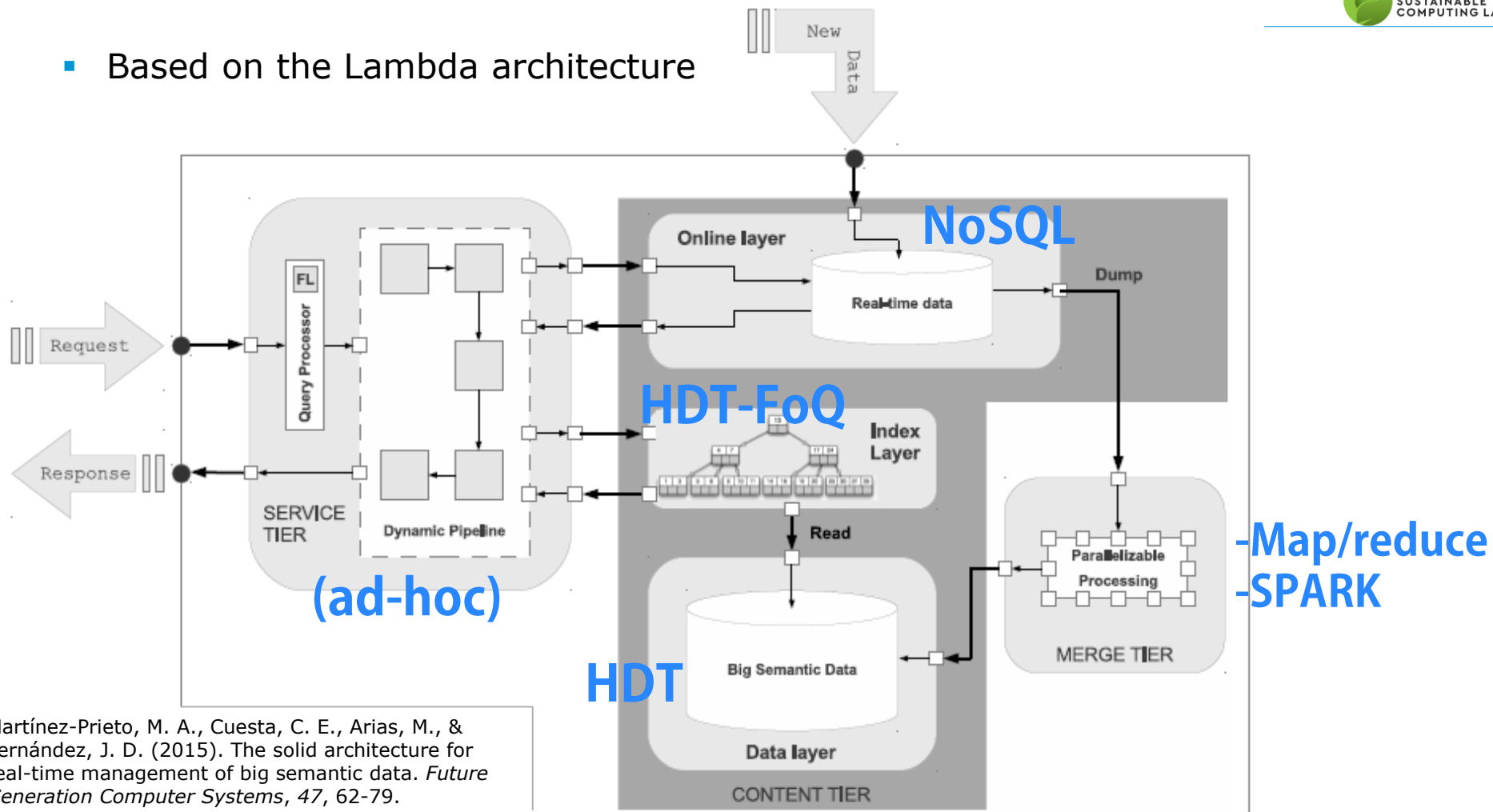
seconds  
Loading Time

<http://purl.org/HDT/lod-a-lot>



# SOLID architecture: Big Semantic Data in Real Time

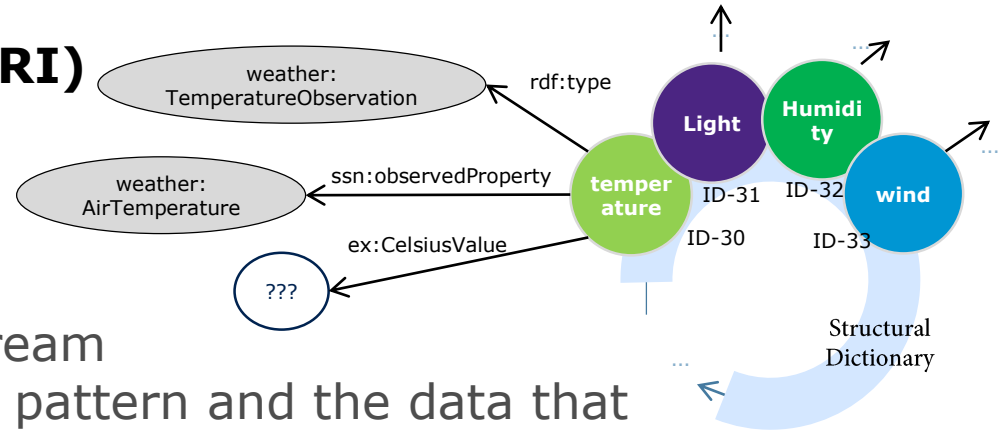
- Based on the Lambda architecture





# ... Also data streams

## Efficient RDF Interchange (ERI)



1.- Learn patterns from the stream

2.- Sender sends the ID of the pattern and the data that differ from the pattern

- Remains efficient in performance (similar to DEFLATE)
  - Time overheads are relatively low and can be assumed in many scenarios.
- Operations on the compressed information
  - E.g. Discard all info except predicate `ex:CelsiusValue`



# And RDF archiving/versioning

Querying Archives  
of Dynamic Linked  
Open Data



Der Wissenschaftsfonds.



Managing the Evolution and  
Preservation of the Data Web (FP7)



Preserving Linked Data (FP7)

Research projects

The Dynamic Linked Data Observatory



Archives

v-RDFCSA



DYDRA



LEDS



Tools



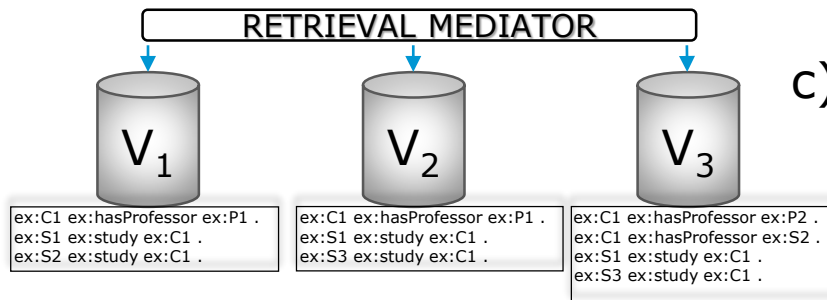
Benchmarking



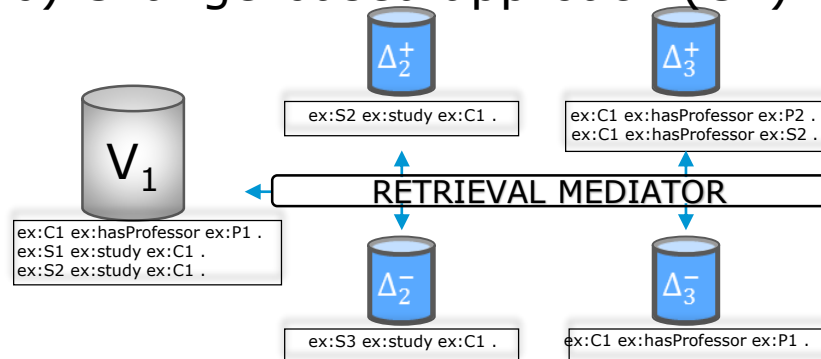
Benchmark of RDF Archives

# RDF Archiving. Archiving policies

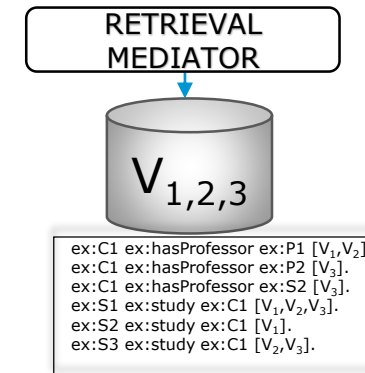
## a) Independent Copies/Snapshots (IC)



## b) Change-based approach (CB)

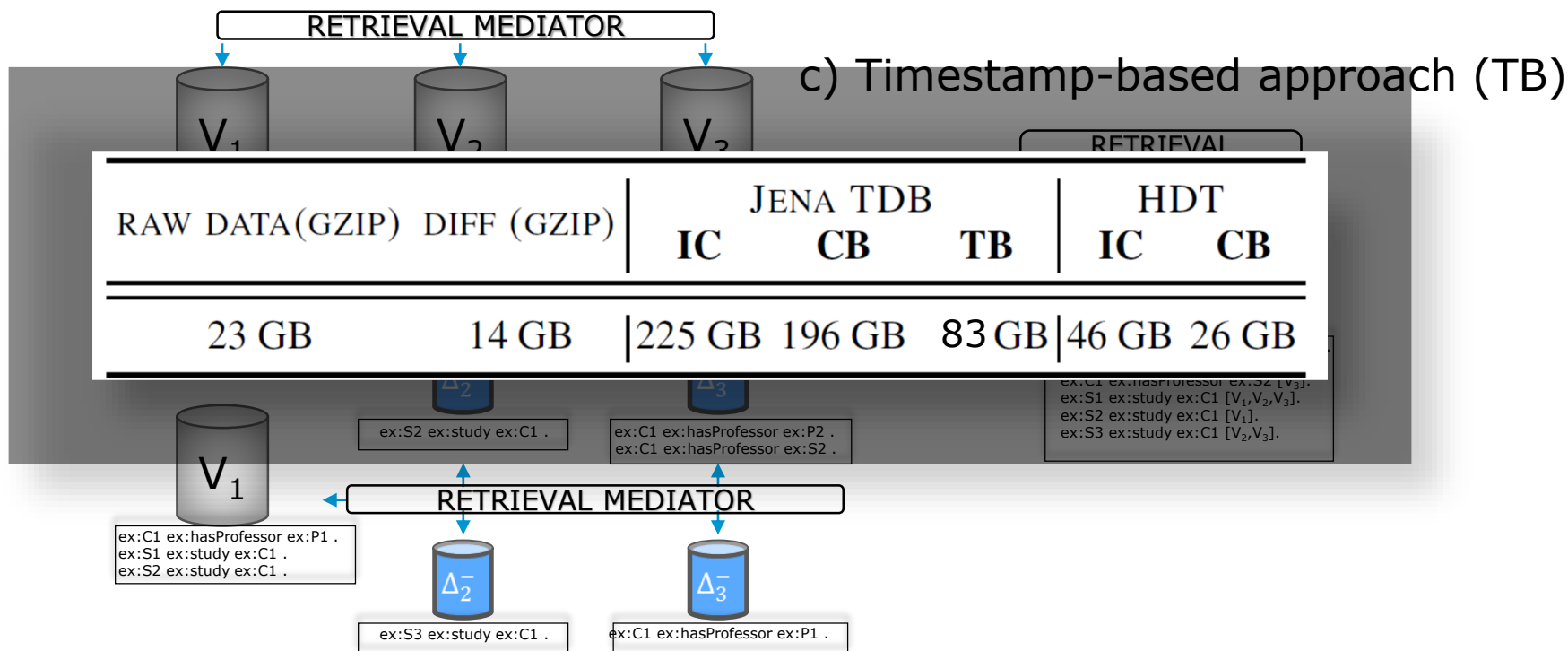


## c) Timestamp-based approach (TB)



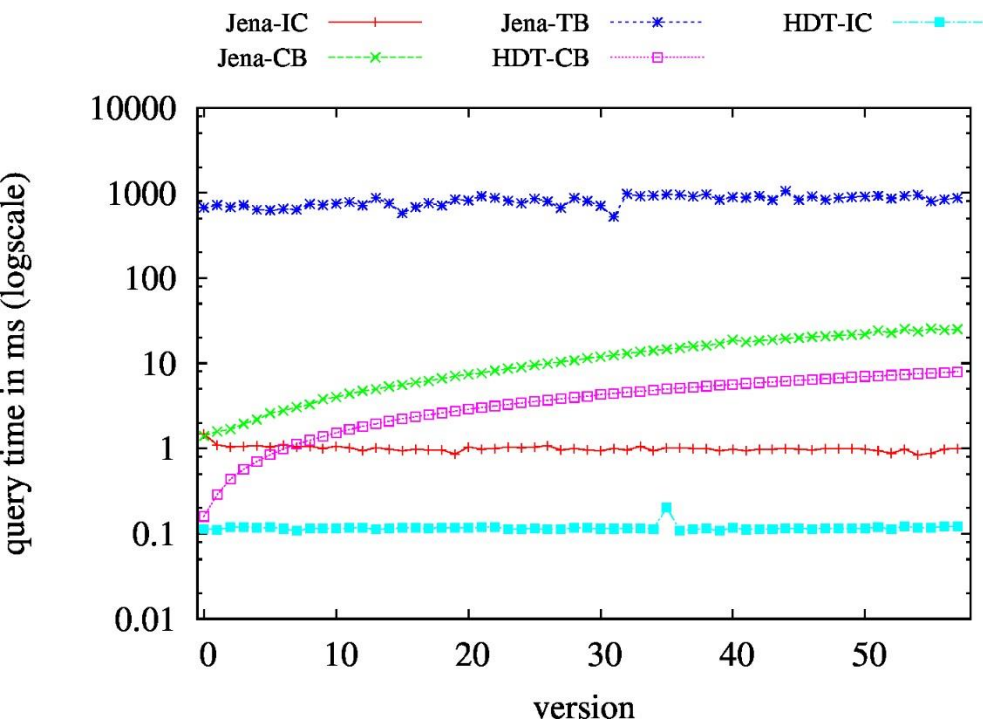
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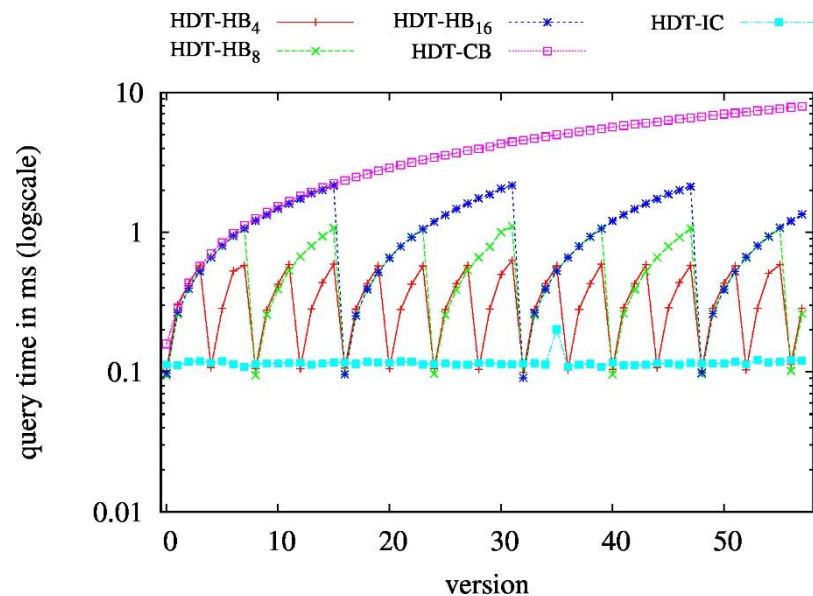


# Time-based access. Queries

## Materialize (s,?,? ; version)



IC	CB	HB <sub>4</sub>	HB <sub>8</sub>	HB <sub>16</sub>
48 GB	28 GB	34 GB	31 GB	29 GB



*Hybrid approach*

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# CitySPIN project: Cyber-Physical Social Systems for City-wide Infrastructures



Funding body:

- Austrian Federal Ministry of **Transport**, Innovation and Technology (BMVIT) and the Austrian **Research** Promotion Agency (FFG)

Project Duration:

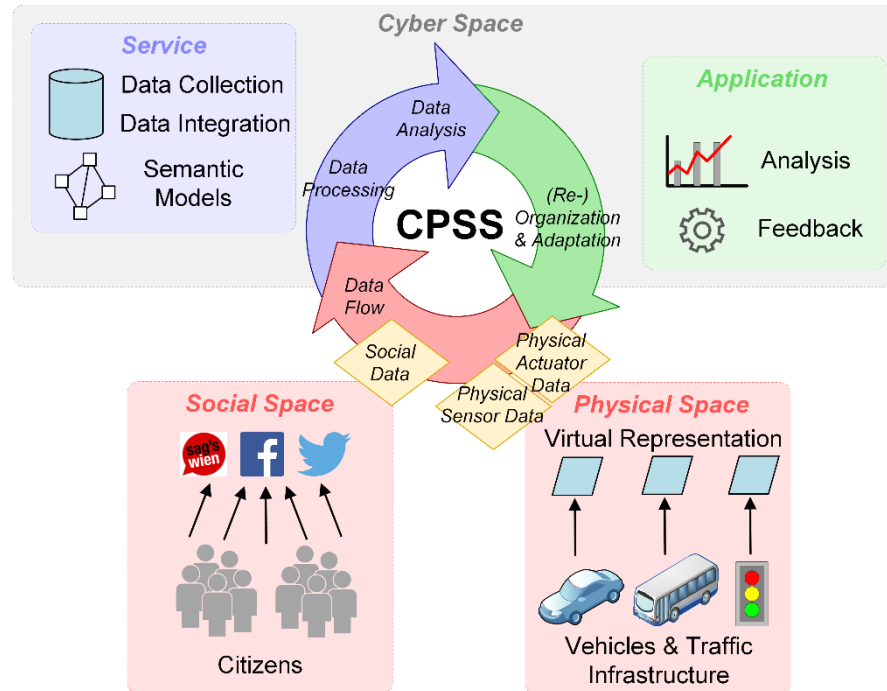
- 30 months; 1.10.2017-31.3.2020

Technical coordination:

- Marta Sabou (TU Vienna)

- ❖ Provide a scalable data integration framework for Cyber-Physical Social Systems (CPSSs) based on Linked Data technologies

# What is a CPSS?



M. Z. C. Candra, H.L. Truong, "Reliable coordination patterns in Cyber-Physical-Social Systems," 2016 International Conference on Data and Software Engineering (ICoDSE), 2016.

# CitySPIN Use Cases

## ***UC Energy: Smart energy planning***

**Goal:** optimize energy network and pricing  
2 M people + 230K businesses

**How?:** understand who needs energy, when, where, how often, how happy they are with current services

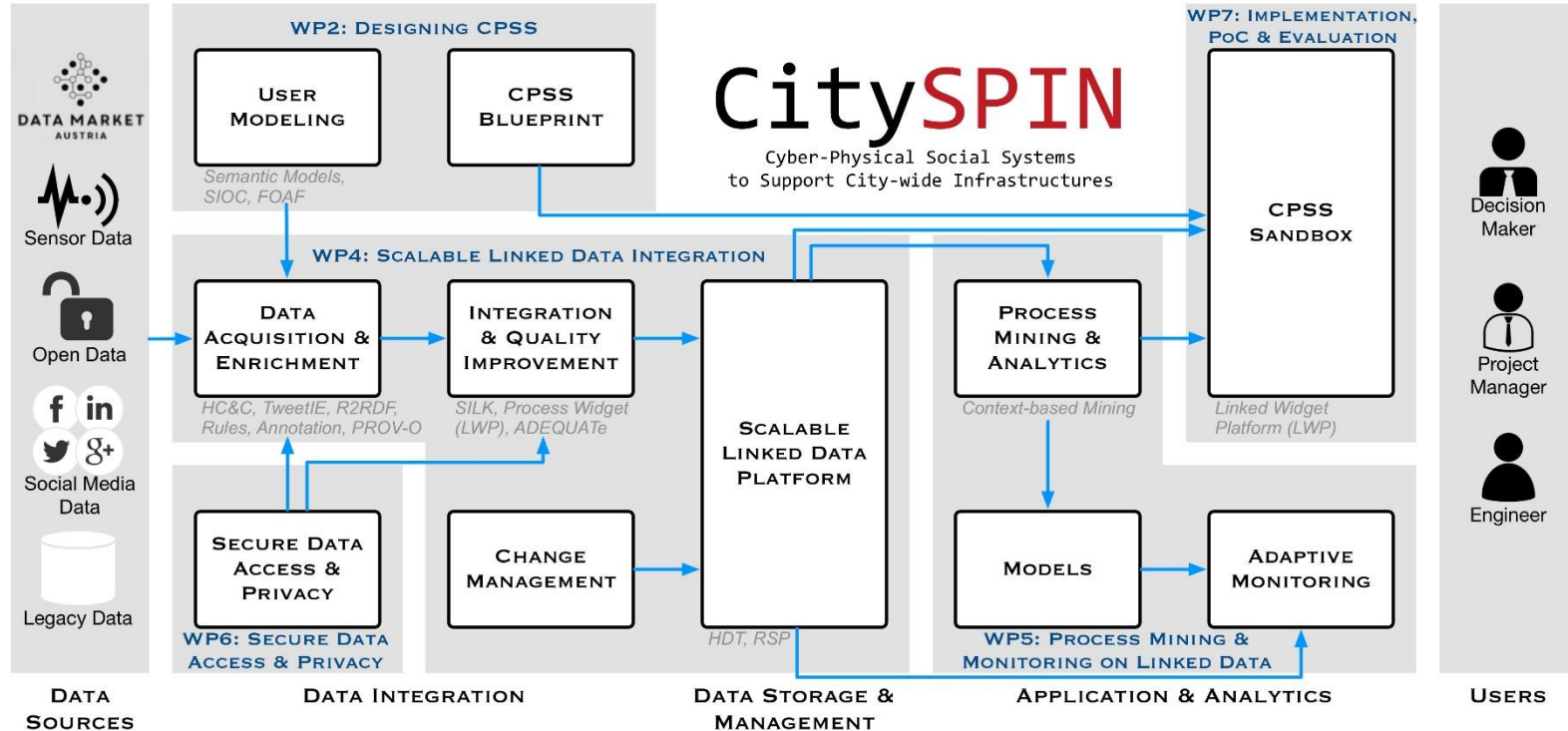
CitySPIN provides methods to collect and integrate customer data from:

- Sensors
- Internal customer legacy systems
- Third party data: open data, social data

... and derive customer behavioral patterns

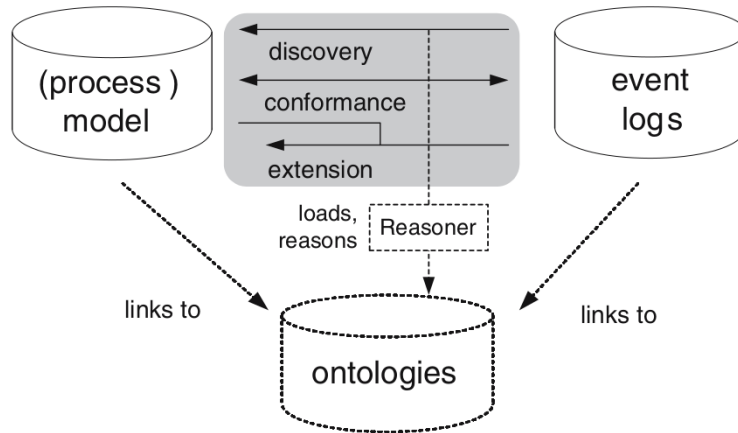
## ***UC2 Mobility: Customer- focused Budgeting of Transport Infrastructure Maintenance***

# CitySPIN model



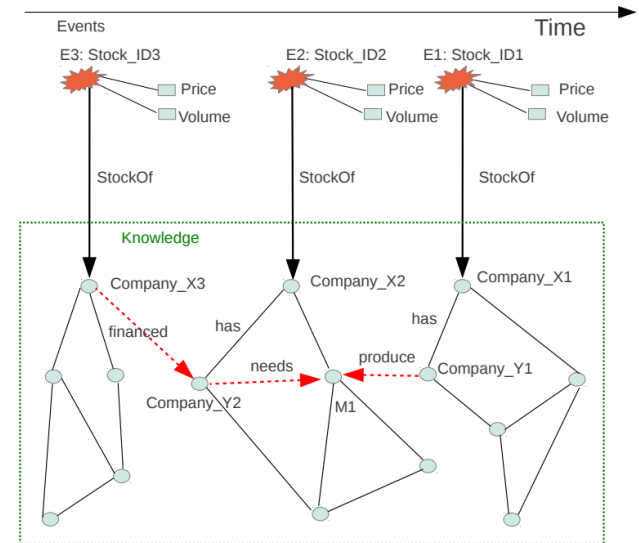
# Process Discovery on Linked-Data streams

- Enriched event streams with Knowledge Graphs.



Semantic process mining: basic elements

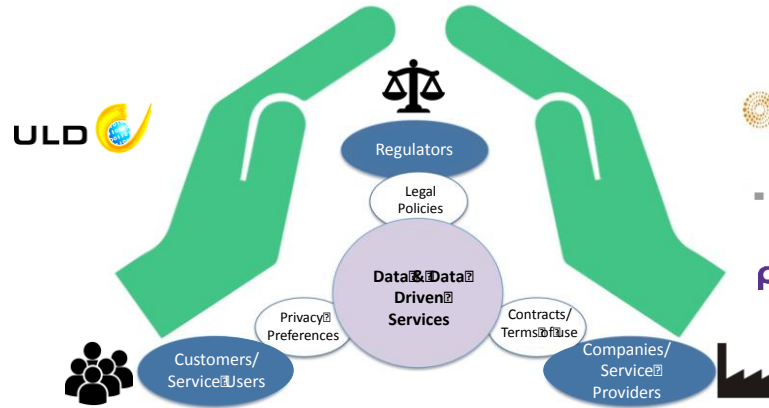
[deMedeiros2007]



Stock Market Events and Background Knowledge  
about Company Dependencies

[Teymourian2012]

# SPECIAL (EU Horizon 2020)



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<https://www.specialprivacy.eu/>



# Our regulatory framework

## The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

### 1 Data to take away

I can get back the data I provided to an organisation or online-service and transmit those to other ones (social networks, Internet service provider, online streaming supplier, etc)



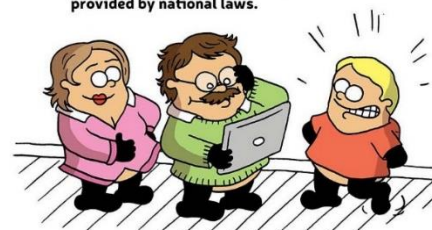
### 2 Better transparency

I know what is done with my data and it's easier for me to exercise my rights.



### 3 Child protection

Online services must obtain the parents' consent before registering any child under 16 or less if provided by national laws.



### 4 One-stop-shop

In case of problems with how my data is handled, I can contact my national data protection authority, whatever the country where the organisation is processing my data.



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Data Protection Working Party



CNIL

### 5 Bigger sanctions

When infringing the regulation, the organisation at fault can be fined up to 20 000 000 € or 4% of its annual worldwide turnover.



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### 6 Right to be forgotten

I can ask search engines to delist a web page that affects my privacy negatively or ask a website to erase an information, under certain circumstances.



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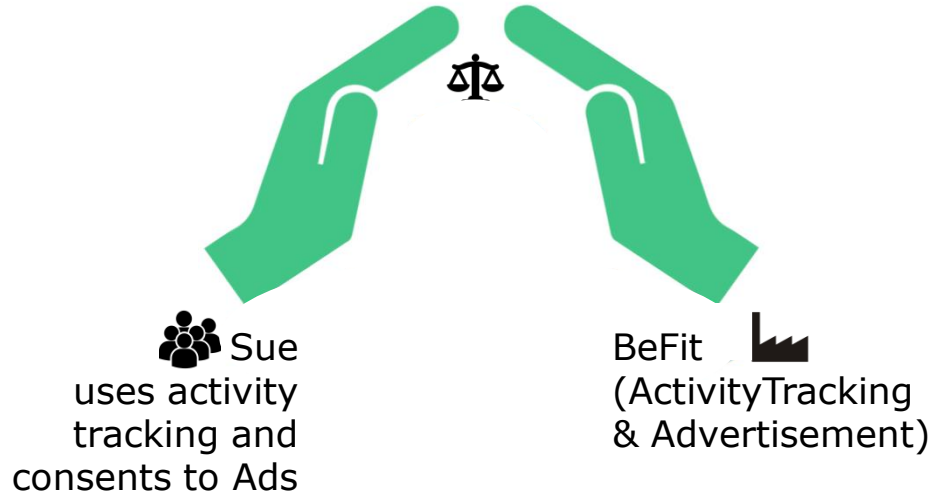


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Illustrations: warm.vicburg

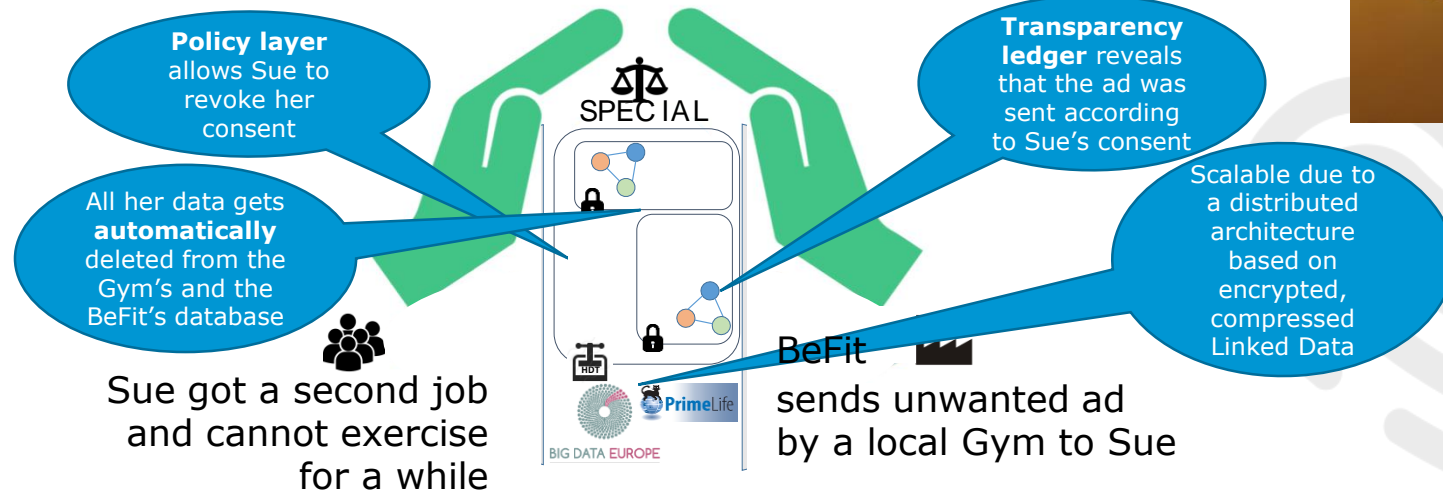
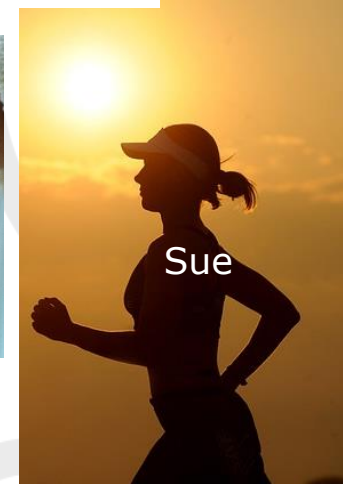
Taken from CNIL's twitter account

An example scenario:



# Use Case:

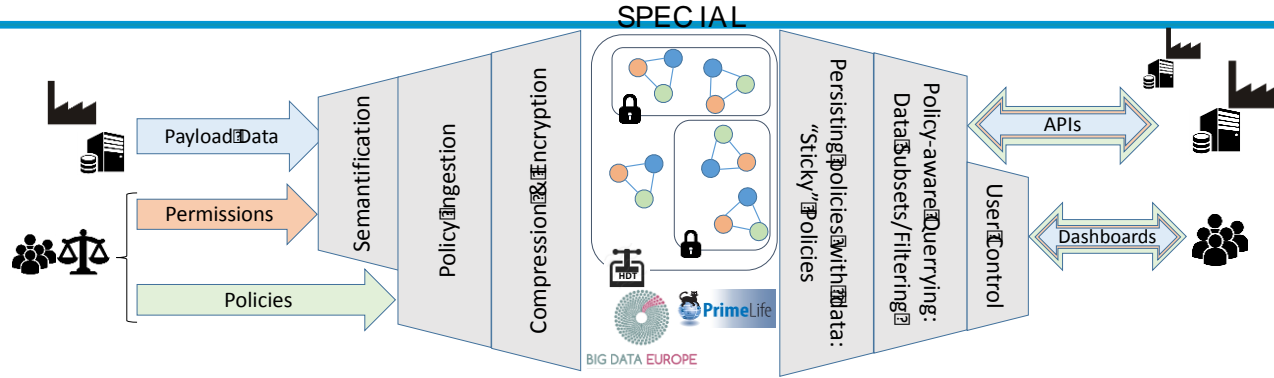
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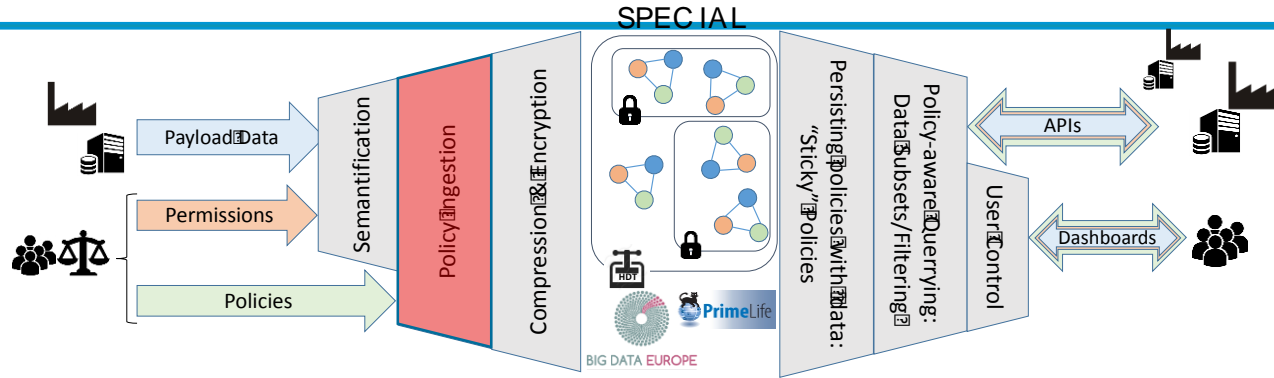
# Objectives:

- Policy management framework
  - ❖ Gives **users control** of their personal data
  - ❖ Represents and integrates **access/usage policies** and **legislative requirements** in a **machine readable format (vocabulary)**
- Transparency and compliance framework
  - ❖ Provides information on how data is **processed** and with whom it is **shared**
  - ❖ Allows data subjects to take **corrective action**
- Scalable policy-aware Big Data architecture
  - ❖ Build on top of the **Big Data Europe (BDE)** platform **scalability and elasticity mechanisms**
  - ❖ Extended BDE with **robust policy, transparency** and **compliance protocols**

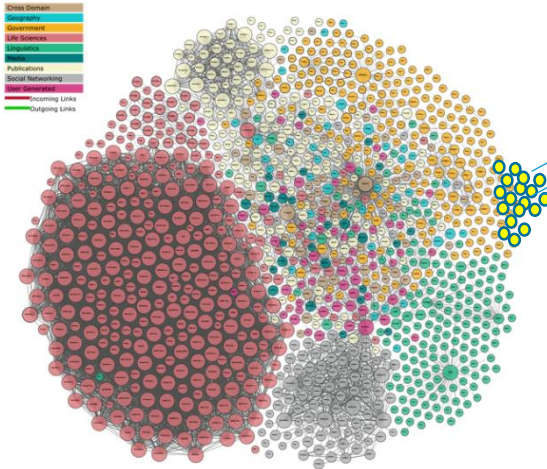
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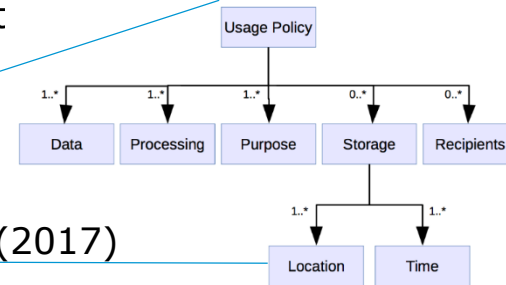
# SPECIAL Technical Components



- Record **context information and access/usage** const



e.g.  
W3C ODRL/POE (2017)  
W3C PROV (2013)  
Time Ontology in OWL (2017)



## Data Privacy Controls and Vocabularies

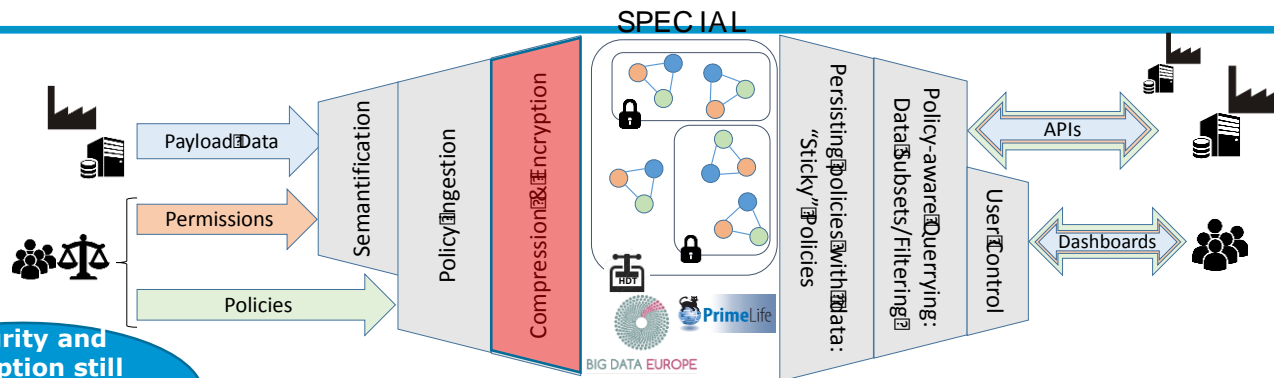
A W3C Workshop on Privacy and Linked Data

17-18 April 2018, WU Wien, Vienna, Austria, Europe

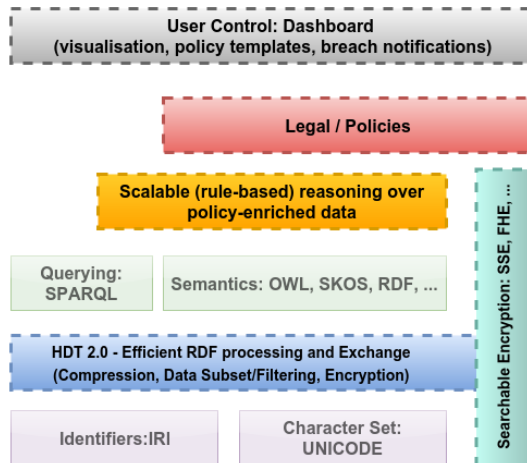
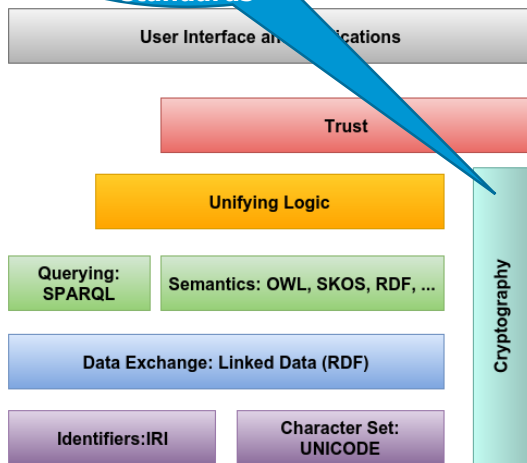
<https://www.w3.org/2018/vocabws/>



# SPECIAL Technical Components



Security and encryption still missing in the Linked Data standards



Storing consent, transparency records in RDF requires technology to harness RDF with:

- Queryable encryption
- Access control
- Compression (build on top of HDT)

## Self-Enforcing Access Control for Encrypted Linked Data.

Javier D. Fernández, Sabrina Kirrane, Axel Polleres, and Simon Steyskal.

[Extended Semantic Web Conference](#)

(ESWC 2017), May 2017

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# Expectations



democratizes the access to Big Linked Data  
= Cheap, scalable consumers



LOD-a-lot



# Reality



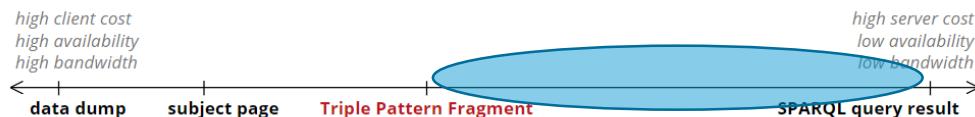
# (some) Open issues

## ■ “Low-cost” Backends

- *Compression vs. dynamicity:*
  - **Most compact data structures are “static”, but data may evolve**
  - **Tradeoff between compression and fast generation**
- *Advanced capabilities:*
  - **Reasoning (entailment)**
  - **Graph navigations (besides SPARQL)**
    - E.g. shortest path, random walk

## ■ **Clients.** *Thin->Fat->Smart*

- *Adaptability*
  - *E.g. Share load*
- *Query planning (LOD-a-lot based?)*
- *Question answering (on bigger graphs)*



# Thank you!

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