

Unit 3 – Beyond Simple Entailment: Semantics of the `rdf:` & `rdfs:` vocabularies, Datatypes, and the `owl:` vocabulary

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Assignment 1 – Some words on common mistakes 1/3

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FOAF, other problems

- the URI of your foaf file is not dereferencable (except in a browser): e.g. docs.google.com (you could use sites.google.com instead).
- HTTP 403 Forbidden responses, probably a Web server problem.

SPARQL queries were generally quite ok (you can still send updates for assignment 1 to me).

Generally: please consider my feedback, where possible.

Some words on the usage of blank nodes

We did some analysis on the usage of blanknodes among Semantic Web experts [Mallea et al., 2011] here the surprising result:

Question 1: When would you publish the triple “:John :telephone _:b .” alone?

OPTION	RESPONSES	
	ALL (88)	LOD (10)
1a John has a tel. number whose value is unknown.	46.4%	20.0%
1b John has a tel. number but its value is hidden, e.g., for privacy.	23.9%	0.0%
1c John has no tel. number.	0.0%	0.0%
1d John may or may not have a tel. number.	2.3%	0.0%
1e John's number should not be externally referenced.	18.2%	0.0%
1f I do not want to mint a URI for the tel. number.	37.5%	30.0%
1g I would not publish such a triple.	41.0%	70.0%

Question 2: When would you publish the triples “:John :telephone _:b1, _:b2 .” alone?

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2a John does not have a tel. number.	0.0%	0.0%
2b John may not have a tel. number.	0.0%	0.0%
2c John has at least one tel. number.	23.9%	0.0%
2d John has two different tel. numbers.	23.9%	10.0%
2e John has at least two different tel. numbers.	35.2%	40.0%
2f I would not publish such triples.	50.0%	70.0%

Table 4: Details and results of the survey of two mailing lists (public-lod@w3.org and semantic-web@w3.org)
 (non-)leanness study on BTC data... ongoing

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In the following, we use the following namespace prefixes:

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@prefix rdfs: <http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#> .  
@prefix xsd: <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#> .  
@prefix owl: <http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#> .
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Note: The first three are the most important for the formal semantics. The semantics doesn't make any strong restrictions on the grayed out vocabulary.

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Note on RDF1.1

Intuitively, all these parts of the vocabulary have been left without fixed semantics for the moment... could be changed/replaced by later standards, e.g. “Reification-Entailment”, but doesn't seem to be a priority cf. also <http://www.w3.org/2011/rdf-wg/track/issues/25>

... now to the formal part.

Recall from last time (lecture 2, slide 20):

Simple Interpretation

A **simple interpretation** I over vocabulary V is a 6-tuple
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rdf-satisfaction, entailment

written \models_{rdf} defined analogously to \models , but with respect to rdf-interpretations.

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Remark: ill-formed XML literals are hardly (impossibly?) writeable in RDF/XML, but in other syntaxes.

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Slight abstraction of derivation rules $rdf1$ and $rdf2$ from the spec.

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Still, we cannot describe other vocabularies ⇒ **rdfs:**

The rdfs: vocabulary

The **RDFS vocabulary**, `rdfsV`, extends `rdfV`:

- `rdfs:domain`, `rdfs:range`
- `rdfs:subClassOf`, `rdfs:subPropertyOf`
- `rdfs:Resource` ... all resources.
- `rdfs:Class` ... all resources which denote classes.
- `rdfs:Literal` ... the “class of literal values”.
- `rdfs:Datatype` ... the “class of datatypes”.
- `rdfs:Container` ... a joint superclass of `rdf:Alt`, `rdf:Seq`, `rdf:Bag`.
- `rdfs:ContainerMembershipProperty` ... the “class of container membership predicates” (`rdf:_1`, `rdf:_2`, ...).
- `rdfs:member` a joint superproperty of `rdf:_1`, `rdf:_2`, ...
- `rdfs:comment`, `rdfs:seeAlso`, `rdfs:isDefinedBy`, `rdfs:label` some more conventional vocabulary without strong “formal” semantics¹

¹ for illustrative examples, let's check the FOAF ontology

RDF/XML version: <http://xmlns.com/foaf/spec/20071002.rdf>

Extracted Turtle version:

http://www.polleres.net/teaching/SemWebTech_2009/testdata/foafOntology.ttl

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IC is defined as the set of resources which appear in the range of the extension of `rdf:type`, i.e. all the y such that $\exists x. \langle x, y \rangle \in IEXT(I(\text{rdf:type}))$.

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Solution: easy, (i) allow "**generalized**" RDF ($UBL \times UBL \times UBL$) for intermediate computation of closure [ter Horst, 2005], or (ii) use modified "implicit typing rule", cf. [Muñoz et al., 2007]:

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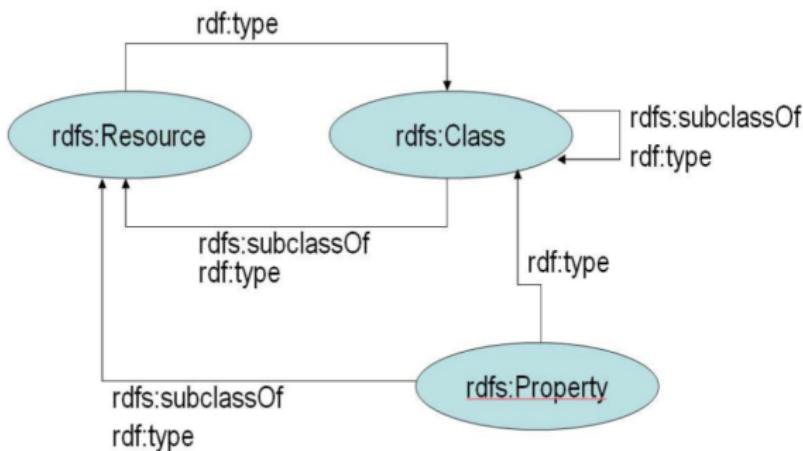
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$$G_1 \models_{rdfs} G_2$$

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ex:alice foaf:knows ex:bob.  
ex:alice foaf:name "Alice".  
foaf:knows rdfs:domain foaf:Person.
```

$G_2 :$

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ex:alice rdf:type foaf:Person.
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rdfs-entailment: Example 3

$\{\} \models_{\text{rdfs}} \{ \text{xxx rdf:type rdfs:Resource. } \}$

for all xxx in the Vocabulary of any interpretation I .

Implication: Since all rdfs-Interpretations are over an infinite vocabulary (rdf:_n), even without the axiomatic triples that would already entail infinite triples.

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Besides `rdf:XMLLiteral`, the RDF spec suggests to support the following XML Schema datatypes:

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- In principle, just generalization of the Semantic conditions for $rdf:XMLLiteral$ to other datatypes.
- Intuitive Reading: fix the interpretation of typed literals according to $L2V(d)$

That's it!

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D-inconsistent graphs:

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(because the value spaces of xsd:string and xsd:decimal are disjoint)

ex:a ex:p "2.5" \wedge xsd:decimal . ex:p rdfs:range xsd:integer .}
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Semantics of the owl:Vocabulary

Not part of the RDF Spec, separate document, for the moment, we will restrict ourselves to OWL Version 1 [Patel-Schneider *et al.*, 2004].

- OWL adds the possibility to add some Description Logics (DL) axioms (TBox, ABox) to RDF ($SHOIN(\mathcal{D})$).
- OWL defines a mapping how to write such DL axioms in RDF.
- Defines two semantics:
 - **Direct Model-Theoretic Semantics:** DL-style model-theoretic semantics, for the syntactic subset of OWL which corresponds to DL
 - **RDF-Compatible semantics:** refining D-interpretations by further semantic conditions

OWL DL in two slides: 1/2

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<code>owl:Nothing</code>	\perp	$\neg x = x$
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<code>owl:unionOf (C₁ ... C_n)</code>	$C_1 \sqcup \dots \sqcup C_n$	$C_1(x) \vee \dots \vee C_n(x)$
<code>owl:complementOf (C)</code>	$\neg C$	$\neg C(x)$
<code>owl:oneOf (o₁ ... o_n)</code>	$\{o_1, \dots, o_n\}$	$x = o_1 \vee \dots \vee x = o_n$
<code>owl:restriction (P owl:someValuesFrom (C))</code>	$\exists P.C$	$\exists y. P(x, y) \wedge C(y)$
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<code>owl:restriction (P owl:maxCardinality (n))</code>	$\leqslant nP$	$\forall y_1 \dots y_{n+1}. \bigwedge_{k=1}^{n+1} P(x, y_k) \supseteq \bigvee_{i < j} y_i = y_j$

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How to write OWL in RDF – A simple ontology about reviewers:

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- **Classes:** Senior, Paper, Publication, etc.
- **Relations:**
 - *A Publication is a Paper which has been published* (subclass + existential condition on property)
 - *isAuthorOf is the opposite of Dublin Core's dc:creator Property*²
 - *A Senior researcher is a foaf:Person who isAuthorOf 10+ Publications* (subclass + condition on cardinality)
 - *Each item can be publishedIn at most one venue* (functional property)

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²reuse of external ontologies!

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OWL Example: A simple ontology about reviewers: in OWL/RDF

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Left for exercises! Check here [Patel-Schneider et al., 2004, Section 4]

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Possible Problems (differences between OWL DL and OWL Full):

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⇒ Strictly speaking, if any of this occurs, I can't use my DL reasoner anymore, or at least it will be incomplete. :-(

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Has no meaning in the DL reading! One could just ignore such statements.

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triple encoding somewhat more stable here:

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With the latter, I could still use a first-order reasoner for OWL Full, however, becomes undecidable in the general case.

Possible decidable extensions for meta modelling include “punning” in OWL2, or adding meta-reasoning facilities, cf. [Motik, 2007][Glimm et al., 2010]

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Can I do OWL use other scalable techniques such as query rewriting?

- Yes! **OWL 2 QL**

→ More on that in Lecture 5 or 6 (OWL2 and OWL2 profiles)!

Recommended Reading

- [ter Horst, 2005], RDF, RDFS and parts of OWL entailment in Rules.
- [Muñoz *et al.*, 2007], minimal sets of complete inference rules for parts of the RDFS vocabulary.

A bit more tough reading (specs), but also recommended:

- [Hayes, 2004, Sections 3 onwards], official RDF semantics specification.

Possible topics for the final presentations

- RDF1.1 WG – status semantics, changes, semantics for named graphs, etc.
- Linked Data Platform WG –
http://www.w3.org/2012/ldp/wiki/Main_Page
- SPARQL1.1 spec parts which we don't cover in detail (e.g. update, federated queries, etc.)
- OWL2 and meta-modeling [Motik, 2007;
Glimm *et al.*, 2010]
- SKOS
- RDFa
- schema.org
- Berlin SPARQL Benchmark, latest edition, see <http://lists.w3.org/Archives/Public/semantic-web/2013Apr/0237.html>
- ... (to be extended, own topics suggestions welcome!)



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