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SPARQL

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Outline

- SPARQL 1.1
 - Query
 - Negation
 - Property paths
 - Aggregates
 - Update



SPARQL Query

SPARQL 1.1 Query Language

- Query language for RDF graphs
- Proposed recommendation
 - 8 November 2012
 - http://www.w3.org/TR/sparql11-query/
- Motivation
 - Extension of SPARQL 1.0

Negation

- **EXISTS** constraint
 - ... when existence of solutions should be tested
 - Syntax
 - Pattern1 FILTER [NOT] EXISTS { Pattern2 }
 - Notes
 - Does not generate any additional bindings



Negation

- MINUS graph pattern
 - ... when compatible solutions should be removed
 - Syntax
 - Pattern1 MINUS { Pattern2 }
 - Idea
 - Solutions of the left-hand pattern are preserved if and only if they are not compatible with any solution of the right-hand pattern
 - Corresponds to minus_{rdf} operation



- Find other equivalent query statements for the problem from Assignment 6.7.
 - I.e. select all courses that are not taught on Mondays and nor on Fridays
 - Assume only courses in winter semester 2011/12
 - Return course references and codes
 - Use NOT EXISTS and MINUS



Statement with OPTIONAL and BOUND

```
PREFIX i: <http://is.cuni.cz/is#>
  SELECT DISTINCT ?c ?code
  FROM <a href="http://is.cuni.cz/teaching/">http://is.cuni.cz/teaching/</a>
  WHERE {
    ?c i:code ?code .
    OPTIONAL {
       ?e i:course ?c ; i:day ?day ;
          i:term t:term1112W .
      FILTER ( (?day = "MON") |
                                      (?day = "FRI"))
    FILTER ( ! bound(?e) )
```

Statement with NOT EXISTS

```
PREFIX i: <http://is.cuni.cz/is#>
  SELECT DISTINCT ?c ?code
  FROM <a href="http://is.cuni.cz/teaching/">http://is.cuni.cz/teaching/</a>
  WHERE {
    ?c i:code ?code .
    FILTER NOT EXISTS {
       ?e i:course ?c ; i:day ?day ;
          i:term t:term1112W .
      FILTER ( (?day = "MON") | (?day = "FRI") )
```

Statement with MINUS

```
PREFIX i: <http://is.cuni.cz/is#>
  SELECT DISTINCT ?c ?code
  FROM <a href="http://is.cuni.cz/teaching/">http://is.cuni.cz/teaching/</a>
  WHERE {
    ?c i:code ?code .
    MINUS {
       ?e i:course ?c ; i:day ?day ;
          i:term t:term1112W .
      FILTER ( (?day = "MON") |
                                       (?day = "FRI"))
```

- Motivation
 - Describing routes between two nodes in a graph
 - ... routes of arbitrary lengths
 - ... and even routes satisfying more complex conditions
- Example
 - All friends of student s:s4 and their friends

```
- PREFIX i: <http://is.cuni.cz/is#>
SELECT DISCTINCT ?friend
FROM <http://is.cuni.cz/students/>
WHERE { s:s4 foaf:knows{1,2} ?friend . }
```

Notes

Lengths

- Path of length 1 is an ordinary triple
- Path of length 0 connects a graph node to itself

Variables

- Variables cannot be used inside paths
 - But they can be used at their ends

Cycles

- Matching of cycles is possible
 - But each cycle is considered at most once



- Syntax
 - Edge
 - Predicate
 - Sequences
 - Path1/Path2
 - Alternatives
 - Path1 | Path2
 - Groups
 - (Path)



- Syntax
 - Occurrences... particular number of edges is expected
 - Path*
 - Path+
 - Path?
 - Path { n , m }
 - Path { n }
 - Path{n,}
 - Path{ , m}

- Syntax
 - Inverse... roles of subject and object are swapped
 - ^Path
 - **Negation**... any predicate except the specified ones
 - ! Predicate
 - ! (Predicate1 | Predicate2 | ...)
 - ! (^Predicate1 | ^Predicate2 | ...)
 - -! (PredicateP1 | PredicateP2 | ... | ^PredicateR1 | ^PredicateR2 | ...)



- Find all pre-requisites or co-requisites for a course with code NPRG036
 - Search these dependencies recursively
 - Return course references and codes
 - Order solutions using course codes



Statement

Solutions

?c	?code	
t:c3	"NPRG030"	
t:c5	"NSWI096"	

Aggregates

- Motivation
 - Aggregation of groups of solutions
- Example
 - Total capacity of all rooms in each building

```
- PREFIX i: <a href="http://is.cuni.cz/is#">
SELECT ?b (SUM(?c) AS ?capacity)
FROM <a href="http://is.cuni.cz/faculty/">
WHERE { ?r i:building ?b ; i:capacity ?c . }
GROUP BY ?b
```

Aggregates

Functions

- COUNT
- SUM, AVG, MIN, MAX

Syntax

```
FROM ...
WHERE ...
GROUP BY ...
HAVING ...
```

- Return average results for all students over their enrolled courses
 - Assume only courses in winter semester 2011/12
 - Ignore enrollments with undefined results
 - Describe students by their full names
 - Assume only students with at least 10 courses



Statement

```
PREFIX i: <http://is.cuni.cz/is#>
  PREFIX t: <a href="http://is.cuni.cz/teaching/">http://is.cuni.cz/teaching/</a>
  SELECT ?first ?last (AVG(?r) AS ?average)
  FROM <a href="http://is.cuni.cz/students/">http://is.cuni.cz/students/</a>
  WHERE {
     ?s i:name [ i:first ?first ; i:last ?last ] ;
        i:enroll [ i:course ?c ; i:result ?r ;
                      i:term t:term1112W ] .
  GROUP BY ?s ?first ?last
  HAVING (COUNT(?c) >= 10)
```

SPARQL Update

SPARQL 1.1 Update Language

- Update language for RDF graphs
- Proposed recommendation
 - 8 November 2012
 - http://www.w3.org/TR/sparql11-update/
- Motivation
 - Update, create and remove RDF graphs



Terminology

Graph Store

- Mutable container of RDF graphs
 - One (unnamed) slot with a default graph
 - Used when operations do not specify any particular graph
 - Zero or more (named) slots for named graphs
- Functionality
 - Updates addition and removal of triples
 - Management creation and deletion of graphs...



Terminology

- Updates
 - Operation
 - Action resulting from a single command
 - Request
 - Sequence of requested operations



INSERT DATA

- Adds triples into a given graph
- Syntax
 - INSERT DATA { Triples }
 INSERT DATA { GRAPH Graph { Triples } }
- Notes
 - Variables are not allowed in provided triples
 - Blank nodes are inserted as new distinct nodes
 - Insertion of already existing triples has no effect
 - Destination graph should be created if required



DELETE DATA

- Removes triples from a given graph
- Syntax
 - DELETE DATA { Triples }
 DELETE DATA { GRAPH Graph { Triples } }
- Notes
 - Variables and blank nodes are not allowed
 - Deletion of non-existing triples has no effect



DELETE / INSERT

- Removes and/or adds triples from/to a given graph
- Idea
 - Selection
 - Group graph pattern leading to the solution sequence
 - Deletion
 - Quad pattern of triples to be deleted
 - Insertion
 - Quad pattern of triples to be inserted



- DELETE / INSERT
 - Syntax

```
- WITH Graph

DELETE { QuadPattern }

INSERT { QuadPattern }

USING Graph

USING NAMED Graph

WHERE GroupGraphPattern
```



- DELETE / INSERT
 - Explicit specification of graphs
 - Matched graph
 - » ... those considered in WHERE
 - Definitions of graphs via USING / USING NAMED
 - » They act exactly as standard FROM / FROM NAMED
 - Then we can use standard GRAPH graph patterns
 - Modified graphs
 - » ... those considered in DELETE and INSERT
 - Quad patterns with specified GRAPH

DELETE / INSERT

Universal specification of graphs

- WITH

Defines one single graph for WHERE, DELETE and INSERT

```
WITH G
DELETE { ... } INSERT { ... }
WHERE { ... }
DELETE { GRAPH G { ... } }
INSERT { GRAPH G { ... } }
USING G WHERE { ... }
```

Explicit definitions locally override this universal one

DELETE / INSERT

- Notes
 - Deletion and insertion parts are optional
 - However at least one of them must be provided
 - Solution sequence is evaluated only once
 - Deletion always happens before insertion
 - Illegal triples (unbound or invalid) are ignored
 - Not deleted or not inserted
 - Special shortcut DELETE WHERE { ... }
 - Removes all matched triples



- Add full names to all students
 - Consider only students having both names
 - I.e. those with specified i:first and i:last
 - Use CONCAT function



Statement

```
PREFIX i: <http://is.cuni.cz/is#>
WITH <http://is.cuni.cz/students/>
INSERT {
    ?s i:fullName CONCAT(?first, " ", ?last) .
}
WHERE {
    ?s i:name [ i:first ?first ; i:last ?last ] .
}
```

Solutions

?s	?first	?last
s:s2	"Martin"	"Svoboda"
s:s4	"Tomas"	"Knap"
s:s6	"Jakub"	"Klimek"

Insertions

```
s:s2 i:fullName "Martin Svoboda"
s:s4 i:fullName "Tomas Knap" .
s:s6 i:fullName "Jakub Klimek" .
```

LOAD

- Inserts triples from a document into a graph
- LOAD *Document*
- LOAD *Document* INTO GRAPH *Graph*

CLEAR

- Removes all triples in the specified graphs
- CLEAR GRAPH Graph
- CLEAR (DEFAULT | NAMED | ALL)



CREATE

- Creates a new empty graph
- CREATE GRAPH Document

DROP

- Removes the specified graphs
- DROP GRAPH Graph
- DROP (DEFAULT | NAMED | ALL)



COPY

- Copies data from a source into a target graph
 - First, all triples in the target graph are removed
 - All triples from the source are inserted into the target
 - The source graph is not affected
- COPY (GRAPH Graph | DEFAULT)
 TO (GRAPH Graph | DEFAULT)



MOVE

- Moves data from a source into a target graph
 - First, all triples in the target graph are removed
 - All triples from the source are inserted into the target
 - Finally, the source graph is removed
- MOVE (GRAPH Graph | DEFAULT)
 TO (GRAPH Graph | DEFAULT)



ADD

- Copies data from a source into a target graph
 - All initial triples in the source are kept
 - All triples from the source are inserted into the target
 - The source graph is not affected
- ADD (GRAPH Graph | DEFAULT)
 TO (GRAPH Graph | DEFAULT)



Conclusion

SPARQL 1.1

Query

- EXISTS constraint
- MINUS pattern
- Property paths
- Aggregates

Update

- INSERT DATA, DELETE DATA, DELETE / INSERT

– ...