

SEMANTICS IN DAIRY FARMING

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Running presentation of the semantics work in dairy farming 2016









SDF 1.0 (2011 – 2014) SDF 2.0 (2015 – 2017)







Collaboration project

- 3 Cooperations
- > 7 SME's
- > 5 Research institutes
- 7 Real farmers
- > Timeline:
 - > SDF1: 2011 2014
- Nothern part of the Netherlands
- Website (in Dutch):
 - http://www.smartdairyfarming.nl/nl/

























Goal of SDF:

- to support dairy farmers in the care of individual animals.
- with the specific goal of a longer productive stay at the farm due to

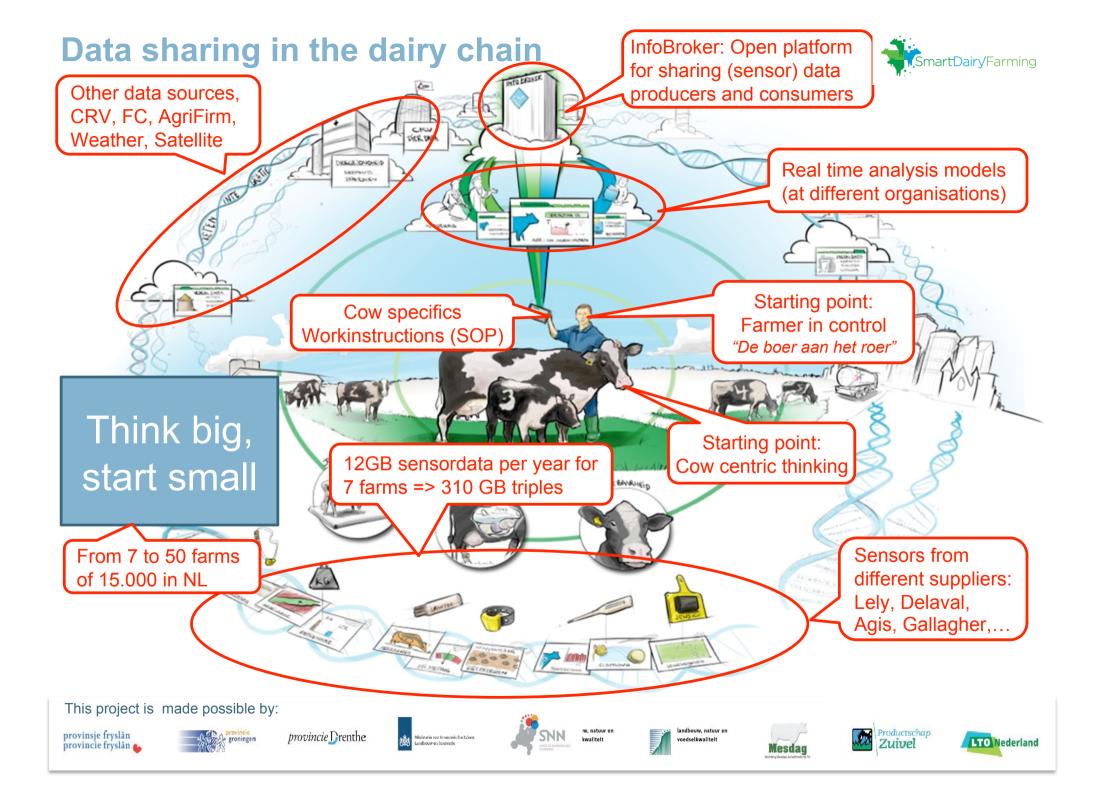
improvement of <u>individual</u> health.

> Challenge SDF2:

- more farmers: from 7 to 60 (and prepare for 2500)
- more sensor suppliers and more data consumers
- incorporate semantics and big data analysis

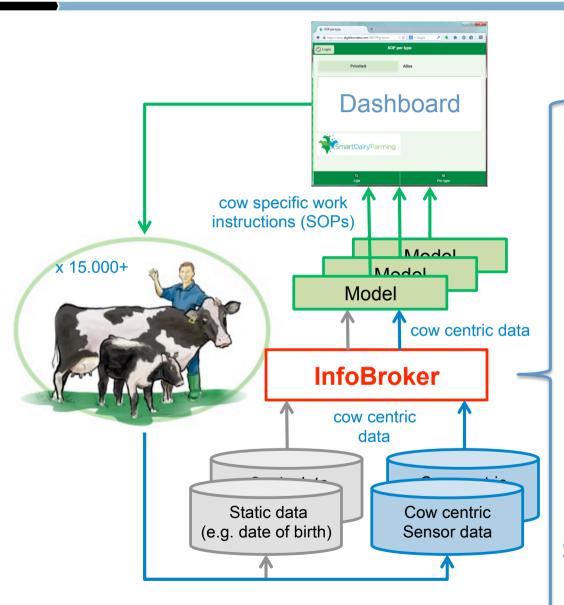
Numbers for the Dutch situation:

- 15000+ farmers
- in total more then 1.5 million milk cows
- 20 to 200+ datafields per cow
- many different stakeholders in the chain



InfoBroker concept





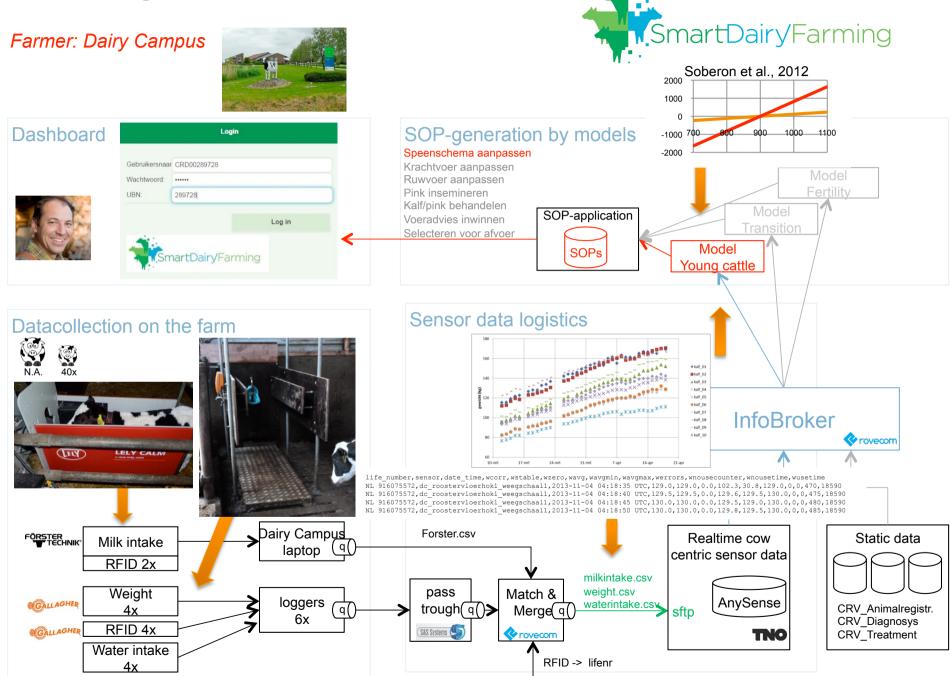
InfoBroker functionalities:

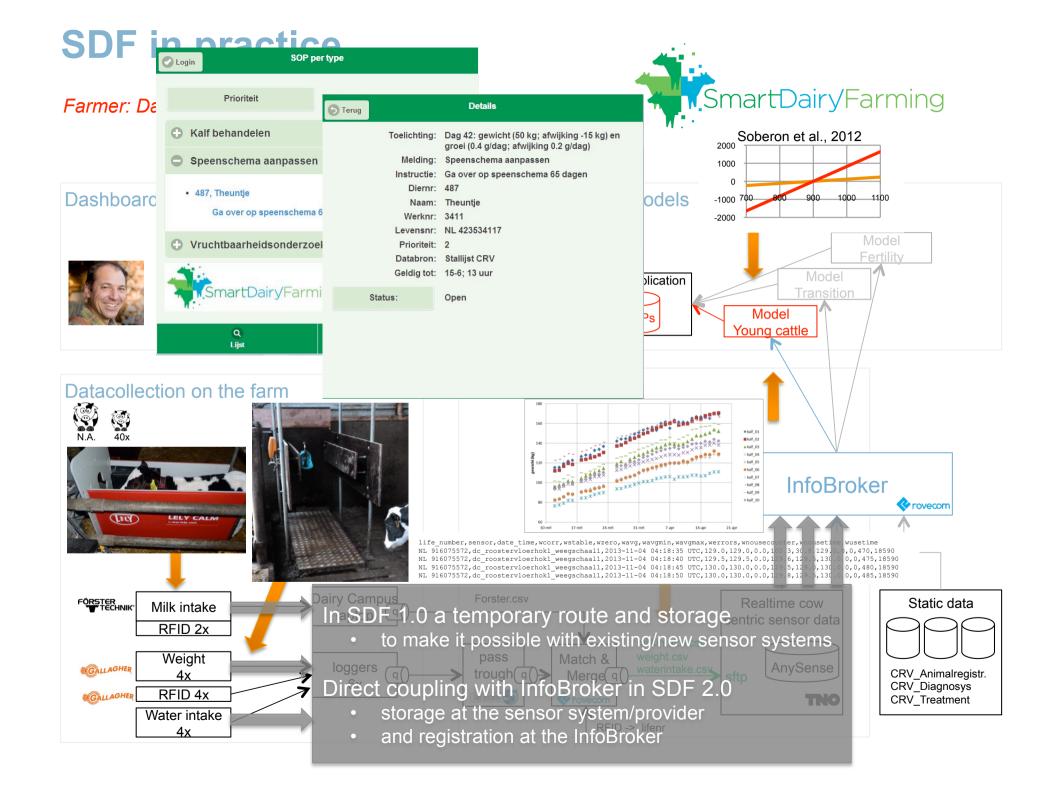
- Open interfaces for data exchange (API)
- Authentication
 - who are you (are you allowed to login)
- Permissions
 - which data may be used by whom
 - to be set by the farmers
- Namingservice
 - location where the data can be found
 - static data
 - cow-centric sensor data
- Integration
 - combining info from different sources
- Pay-per-use
 - fixed costs (connections)
 - variable costs (used data)

So:

- <u>no</u> central datastore for (sensor)data!
- but indeed a broker
- and reduces/prevents duplication

SDF in practice









InfoBroker – Facts & Figures

	Farm 1	Farm 2	Farm 3	Farm 4	Farm 5	Farm 6	Farm 7
# cows/calves	459	186	315	239	706	202	351
Behaviour	X				X		
Temperature	X				X		
Activity	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Milk production	×	×			×	×	x
Food intake		X				X	X
Weight	X	X	X	x	X	X	x
Water intake			X	x			
Milk intake			X	X			

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NB1: this are "sensor data categories" at a farm

NB2: not all animals are monitored for SDF (e.g. 3 and 4 only calves)

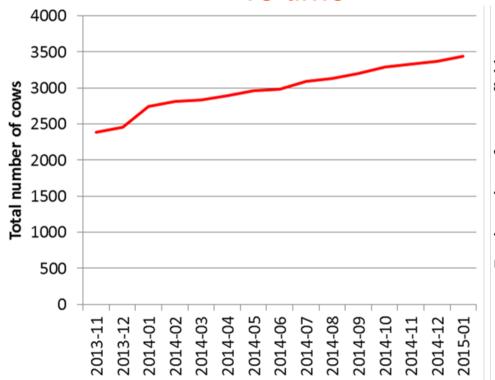




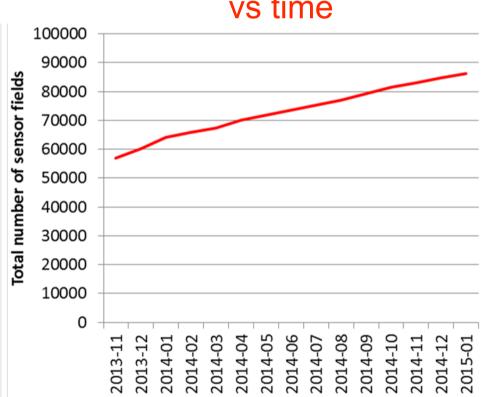
InfoBroker – Facts & Figures

Number of cows

vs time



Number of sensorfields vs time





WHY LINKED DATA AND SEMANTICS?

- 1. To make the various data sets accessible in an automatically linkable manner for easier integration
- 2. To enrich the semantics of the datasets in isolation as well as in combination using ontologies
- 3. To enable any possible question to be queried on the datasets for better analysis



WHAT IS LINKED DATA?

Linked data is a set of design principles for sharing machinereadable data on the Web for use by public administrations, business and citizens."

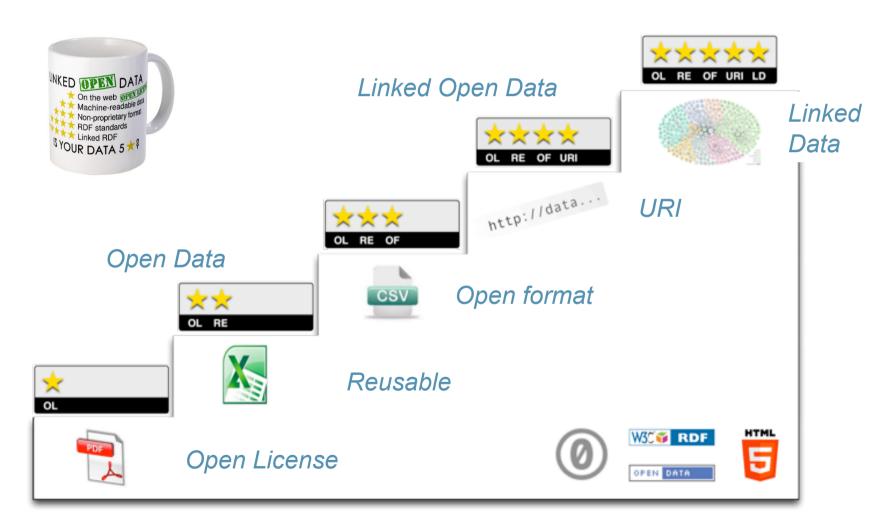


The **four design principles** of Linked Data (by Tim Berners Lee):

- 1. Use Uniform Resource Identifiers (URIs) as names for things.
- 2. Use HTTP URIs so that people can look up those names.
- 3. When someone looks up a URI, provide useful information, using the standards (RDF*, SPARQL).
- 4. Include links to other URIs so that they can discover more things.



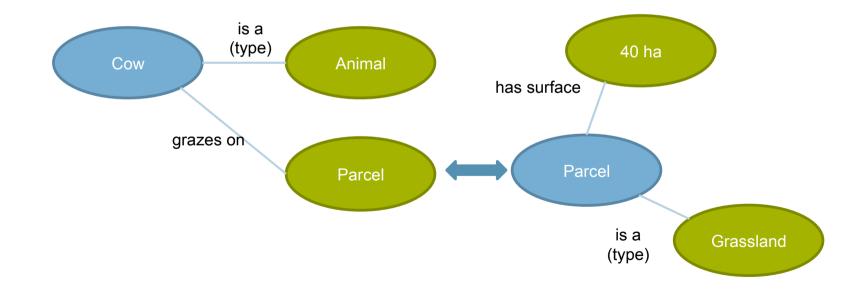
5 STAR MODEL





SIMPLE EXAMPLE OF LINKED DATA







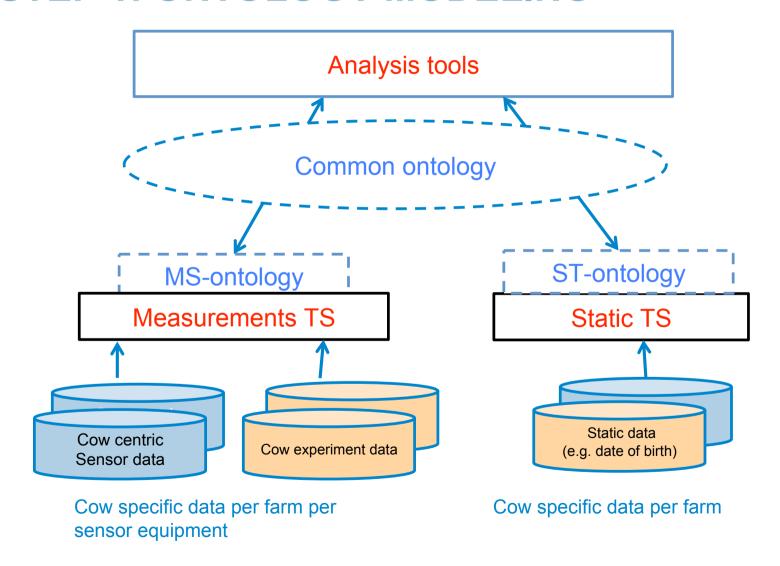
BIG DATA ANALYSIS QUESTIONS

"How much feed did a group of cows at a dairy farm take in a certain feeding period at a specific parcel?"

"What was the average weight per day over the last lactation period of a cow and what was the weight in/decrease over that period?

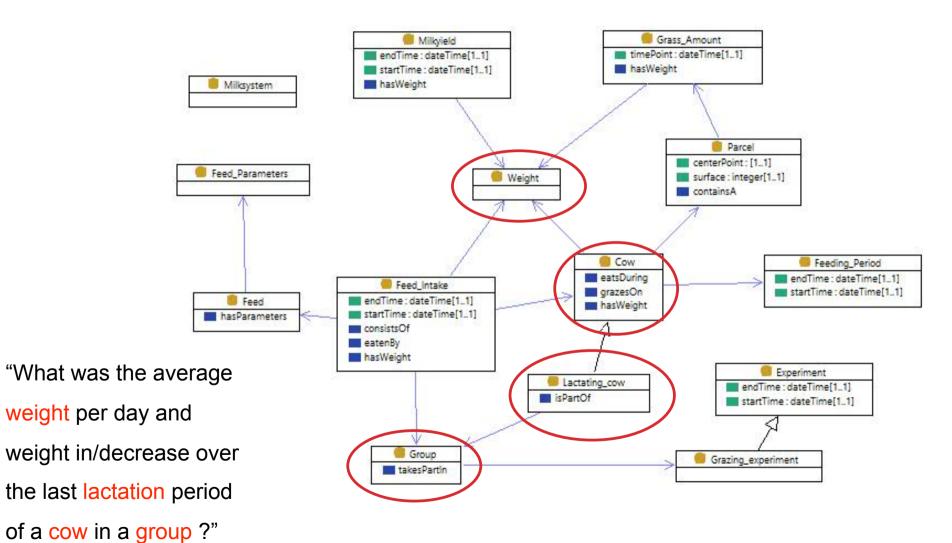


STEP 1: ONTOLOGY MODELING



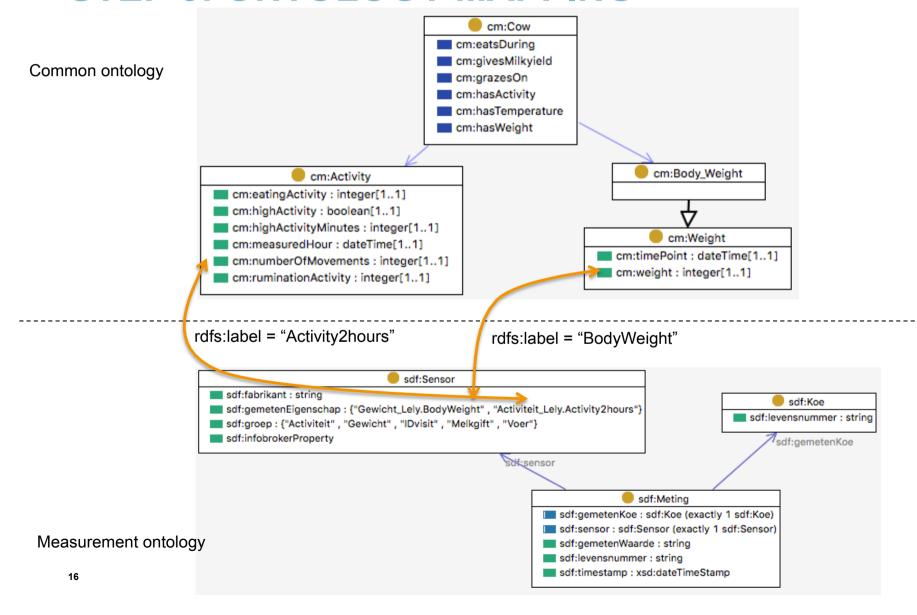


STEP 2: COMMON ONTOLOGY





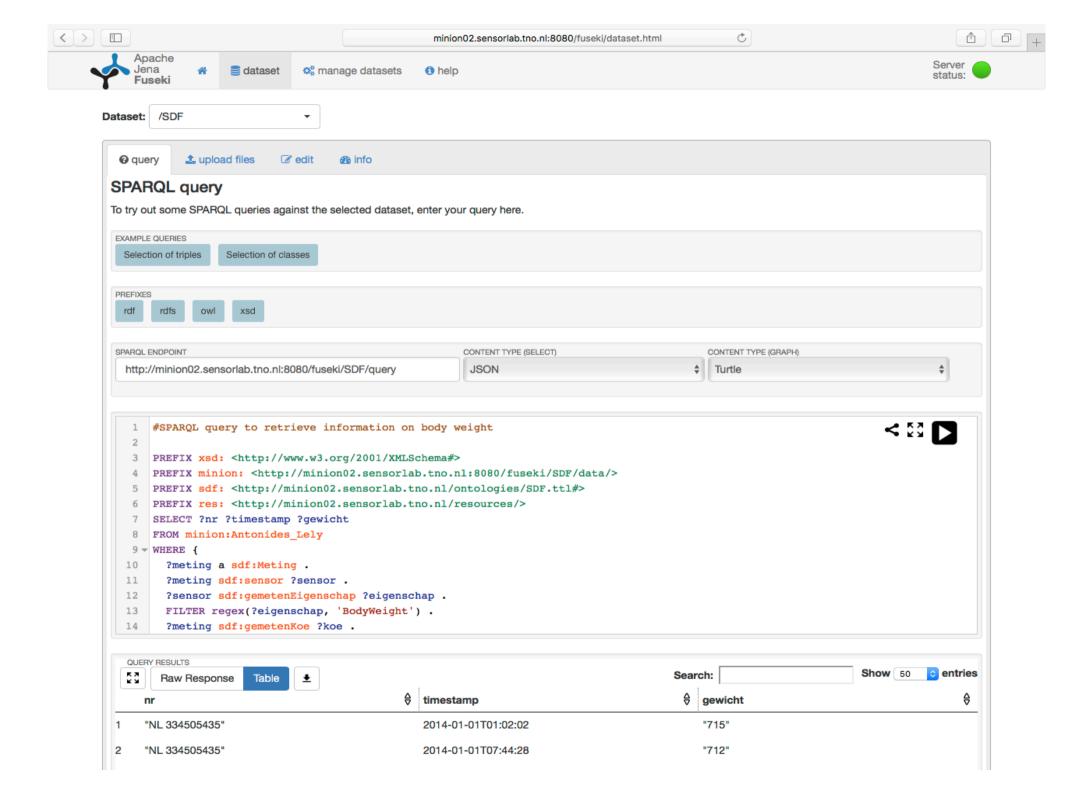
STEP 3: ONTOLOGY MAPPING

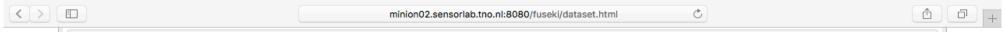




OUR BIG, LINKED DATA PLATFORM

- Server: 128GB memory, 5TB HDD
- Marmotta Triplestore with RDB
- Jena Fuseki Triplestore with TDBVirtuoso RDB +TDB
- OpenRefine with RDF extension







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CHALLENGE WITH CURRENT SET-UP:

- Large amount of sensor-data: Inefficient data-storage of RDF
 - 12GB of CSV data turned into +/- 310 GB of RDF (in fuseki TDB)
- Performance issues
 - Our relatively powerful setup is not able to answer more complex questions in acceptable time,
 - traditional datastorage (RDB) is able to answer these questions in acceptable time.



NEW APPROACH: COMBINE BEST OF BOTH

> Openlink virtuoso:

- Has both a relational database and a triplestore
- Efficiently stores RDB data
- Ability to define a mapping between DB schema and ontology
 - > Query Relational DB using SPARQL
- > Provides a SPARQL endpoint



NEW APPROACH: COMBINE BEST OF BOTH

> Hypothesis:

Decause the data is stored more efficiently, and SQL can query this data more efficiently than a complete RDF+SPARQL implementeation; the performance of a hybrid solution will be faster than pure RDF storage.

Open questions:

- How efficient is the Virtuoso translation from SPARQL to SQL?
- How will this setup perform with more complex ontologies or database schemas?
- Are there any unforeseen limitations of this setup?