

Ontology Based Data Access

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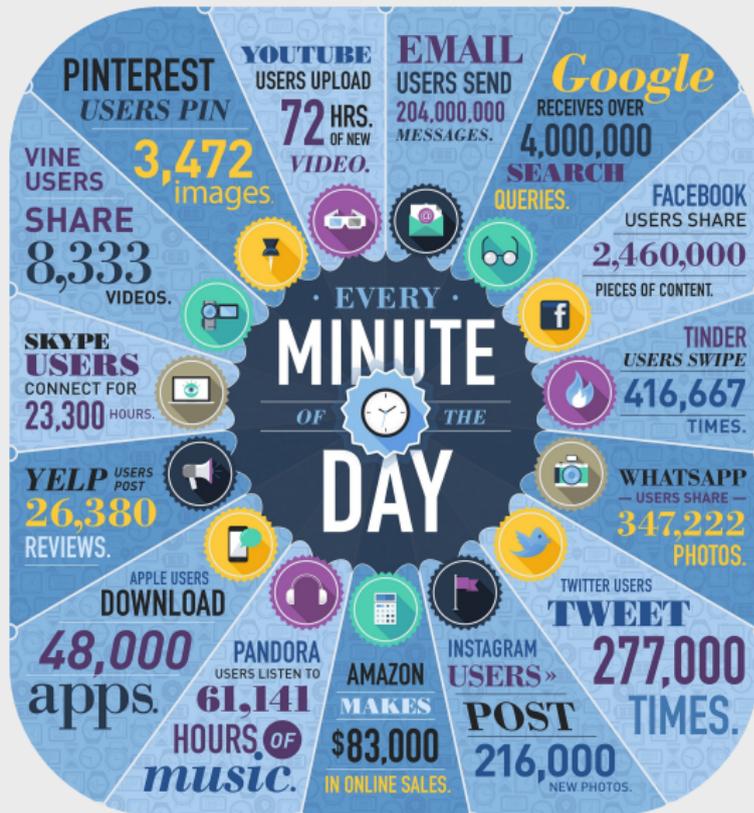
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The Problem: Information Need

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to find the right answer
in the ocean of Big Data

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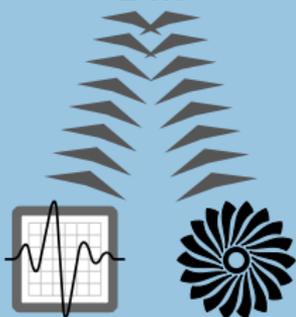


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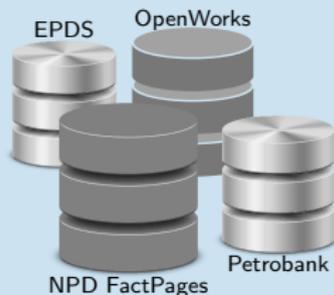
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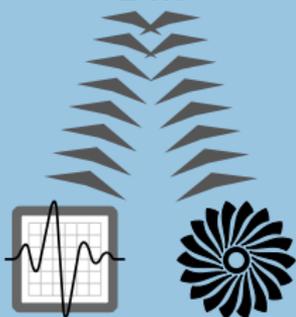


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SIEMENS: Information Need

- 1 Reactive diagnostics of turbines.



- 2 Predictive analysis of turbine condition.



- 3 Product engineering and maintenance support.

How Much Time is Spent Searching for Data?

Engineers in industry spend a significant amount of their time searching for data that they require for their core tasks. E.g., in the oil&gas industry, 30-70% of engineers time is spent looking for and assessing the quality of data (Crompton, 2008).

How Much Time/Money is Spent Searching for Data?

A user query in Statoil:

Show all norwegian wellbores with some additional attributes (wellbore id, completion date, oldest penetrated age,result). Limit to all wellbores with a core and show attributes like (wellbore id, core number, top core depth, base core depth, intersecting stratigraphy). Limit to all wellbores with core in Brentgruppen and show key attributes in a table. After connecting to EPDS (slegge) we could for instance limit further to cores in Brent with measured permeability and where it is larger than a given value, for instance 1 mD. We could also find out whether there are cores in Brent which are not stored in EPDS (based on NPD info) and where there could be permeability values. Some of the missing data we possibly own, other not.

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FROM
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db_name.table11 table11,
db_name.table12 table12,
db_name.table13 table13,
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db_name.table15 table15,
db_name.table16 table16
WHERE [...]

table2a.attr1='keyword' AND
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table3a.attr6=table6a.attr3 AND
table3a.attr9='keyword' AND
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table5a.kinds=table4a.attr13 AND
table5b.kinds=table4c.attr74 AND
table5b.name='keyword' AND
(table6a.attr19=table10c.attr17 OR
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table6a.attr14=table5b.attr14 AND
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(table6b.attr4 IS NULL AND
table10c.attr7 IS NULL)) AND
table6b.attr19=table5a.attr55 AND
table6b.attr2='keyword' AND
table7a.attr19=table2b.attr19 AND
table7a.attr17=table15.attr19 AND
table4b.attr11='keyword' AND
table8.attr19=table7a.attr80 AND
table8.attr19=table13.attr20 AND
table8.attr4='keyword' AND
table9.attr10=table16.attr11 AND
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table10b.attr13=table4b.attr89 AND
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table16.attr16=table10b.attr78 AND
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In SIEMENS, it usually takes 4 to 6 weeks to formulate a query in SQL.

SIEMENS loses up to **50.000.000€** per year because of this!!

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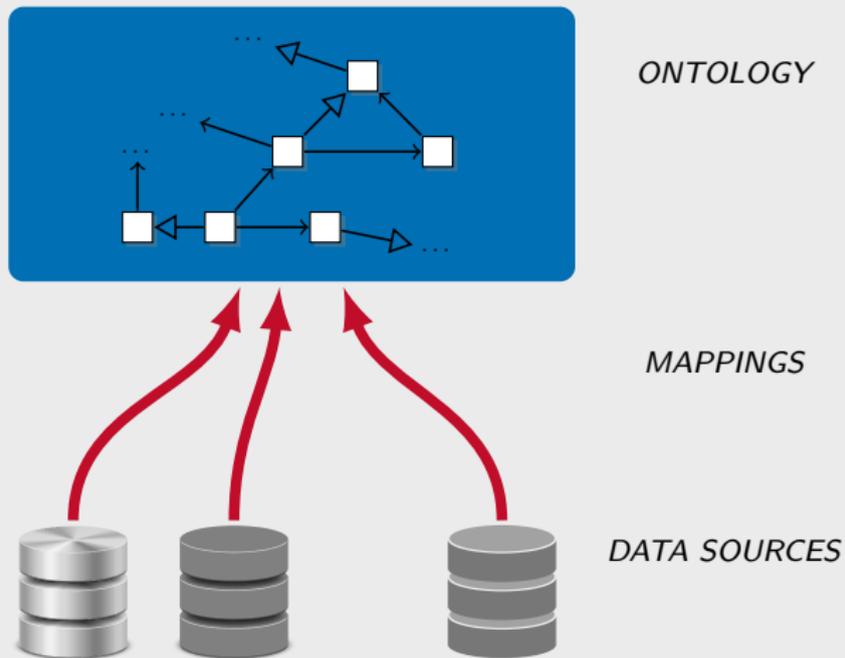
We need to facilitate access to Data

- by abstracting away from how the data is stored, and
- by making use of high level views on the data, so called **ontologies**.

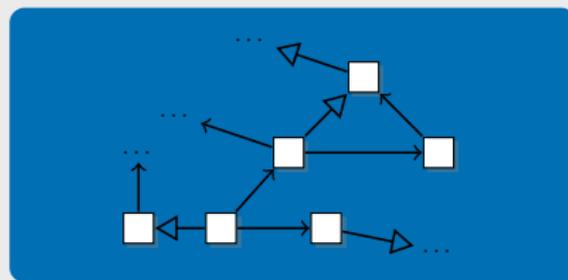
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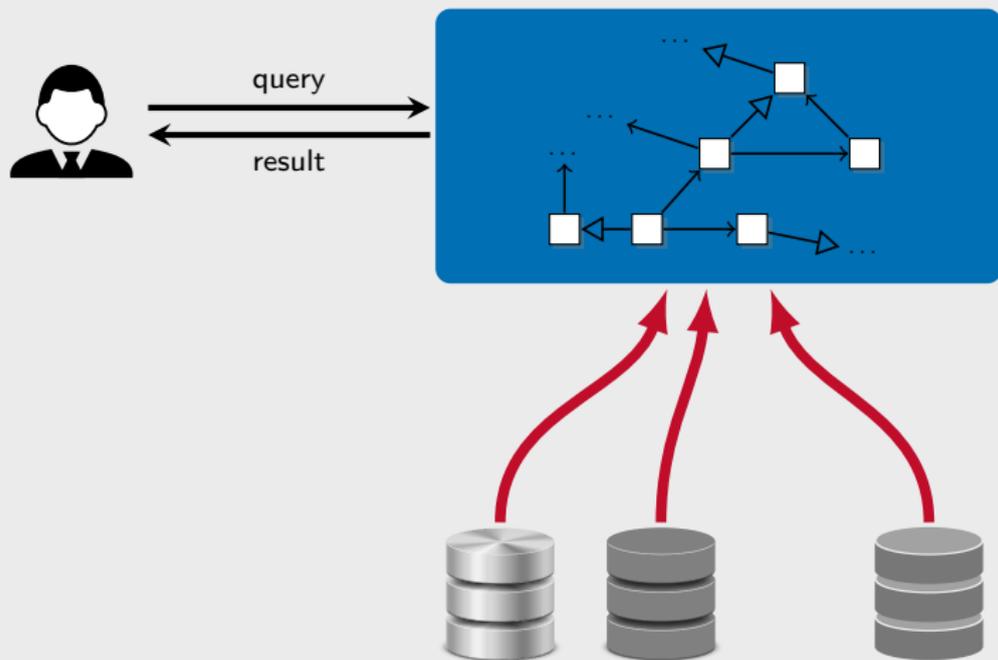
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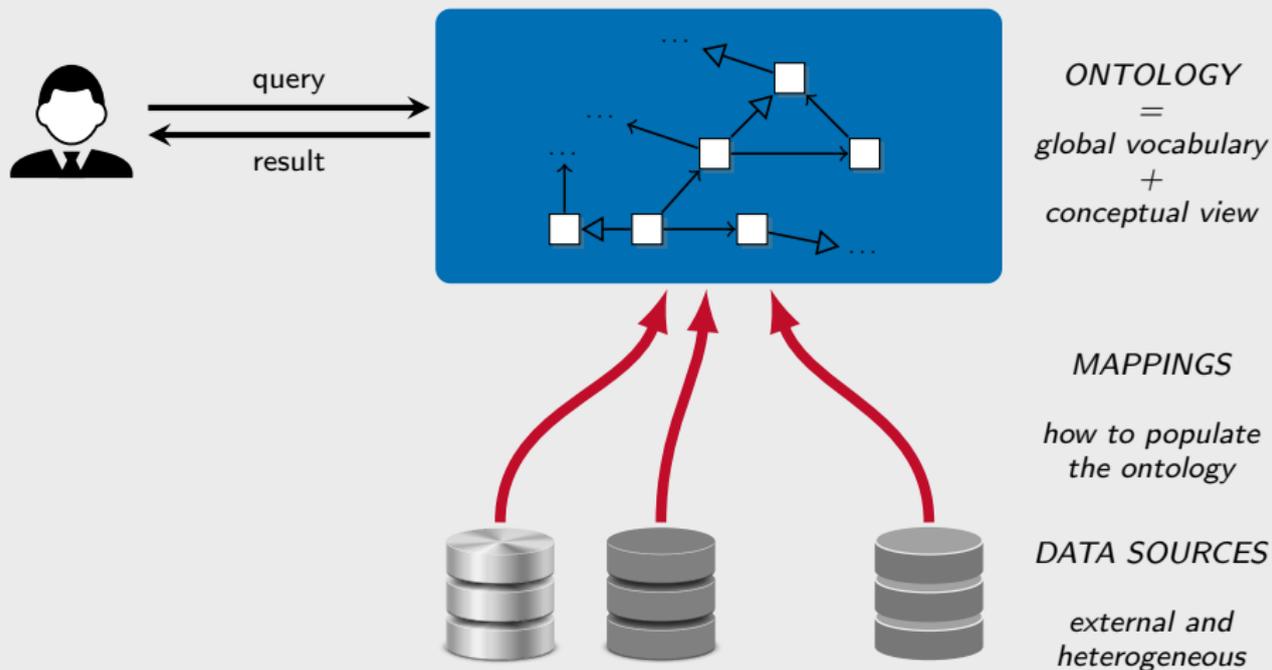


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Logical transparency in accessing data:

-  does not know where and how data is stored;
-  can only see a **conceptual view** of data.

Questions to be Addressed in OBDA

- What is the right ontology language?
- What is the right query language?
- What is the right mapping language?
- What are the available tools?

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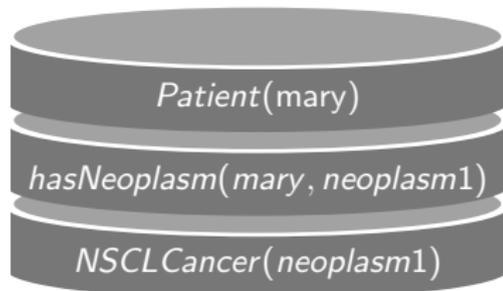
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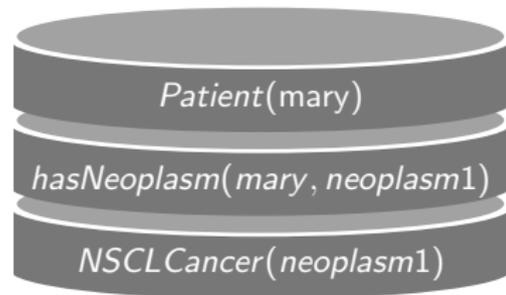
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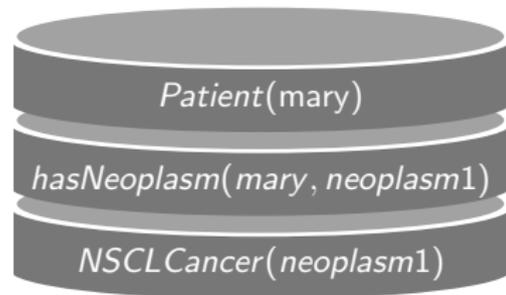
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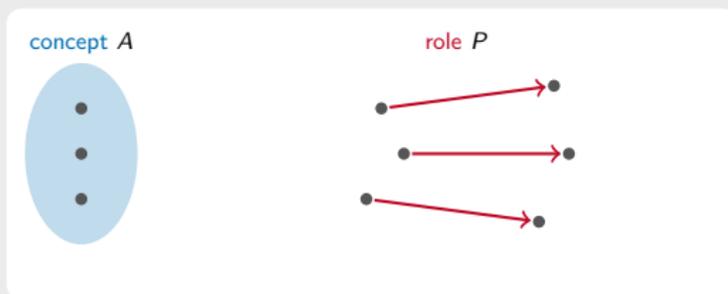
- good trade-off between expressivity and computational complexity
- efficient reasoning algorithms
- concise syntax

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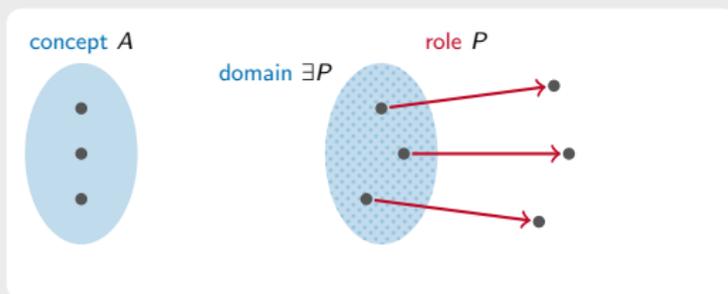


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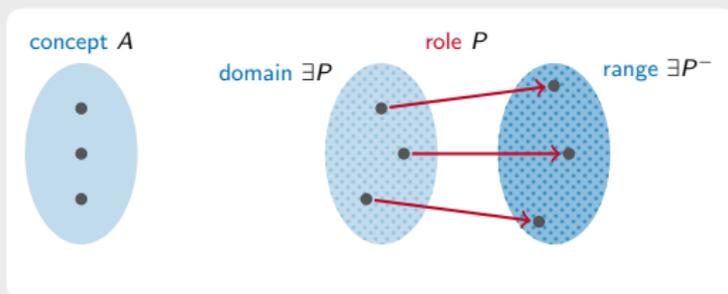


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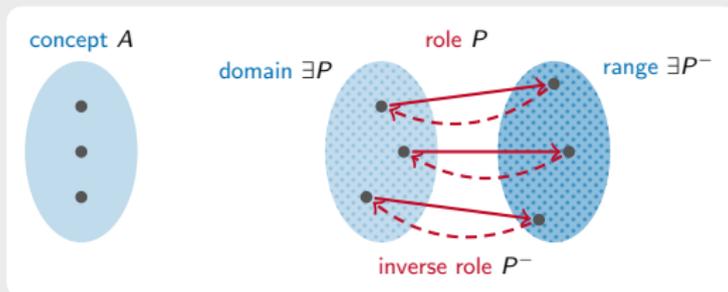
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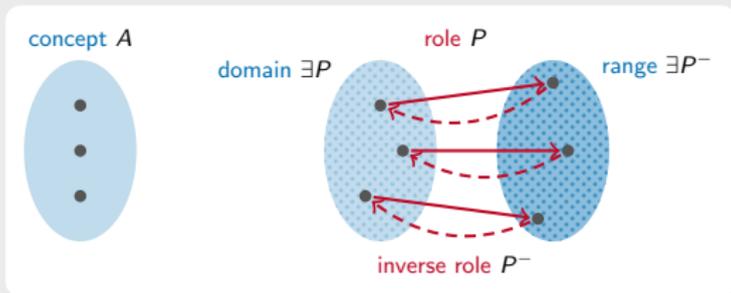
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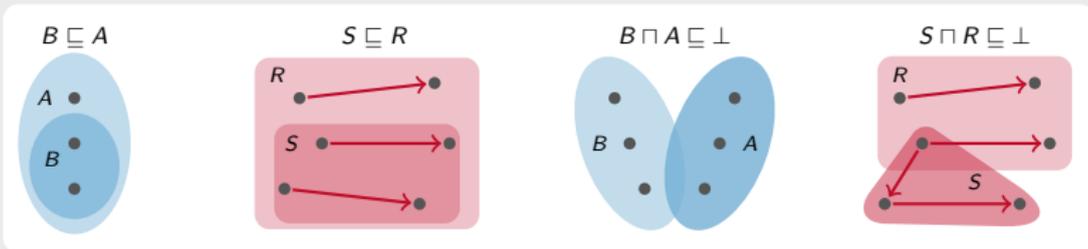
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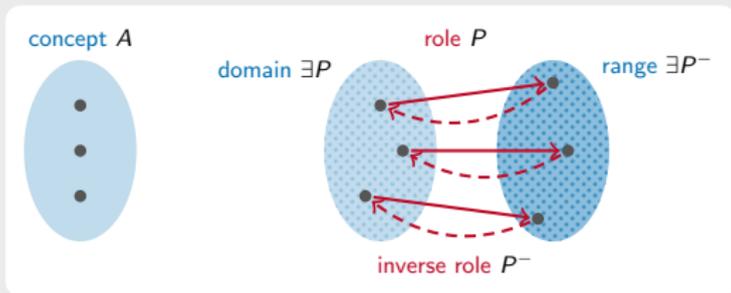
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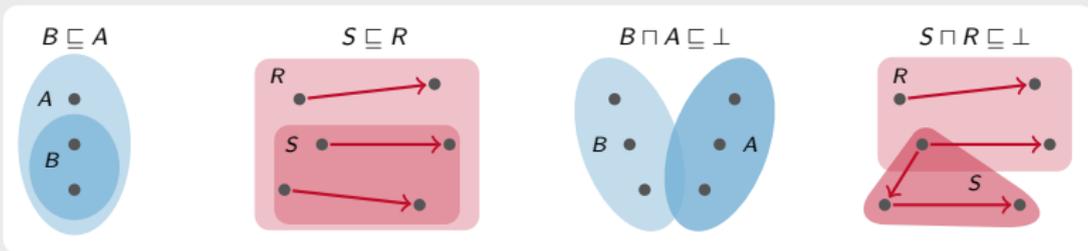
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A DL-Lite_R **ABox** is a finite set of facts of the form $A(c)$, $P(c, d)$.

DL-Lite_R in the OWL 2 and RDF Syntaxes

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Patient(mary)

hasNeoplasm(
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OWL 2 Functional Style Syntax

SubClassOf(LungCancer, Cancer)

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Patient,
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owl:Thing),
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RDF/Turtle

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Query Languages

Intuitively, a **query** is a question:

- have all patients diagnosed with cancer received chemotherapy?
- give me all patients diagnosed with cancer who have not received chemotherapy.
- give me all patients diagnosed with cancer.
- give me all patients diagnosed with lung or skin cancer.

Standard query languages:

- **First-Order Queries** (\approx SQL)

$$q() = \forall x, d \left((Patient(x) \wedge hasCondition(x, d) \wedge Cancer(d)) \rightarrow (\exists t. hadTreat(x, t) \wedge Chemo(t)) \right)$$

$$q(x) = Patient(x) \wedge (\exists d. hasCondition(x, d) \wedge Cancer(d)) \wedge (\neg \exists t. hadTreat(x, t) \wedge Chemo(t))$$

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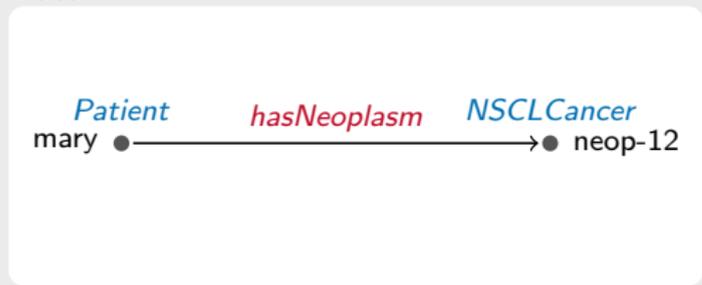
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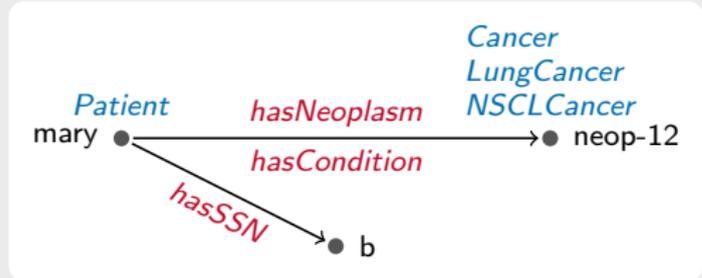
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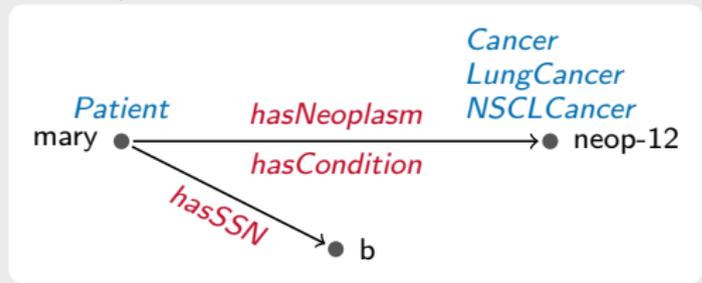
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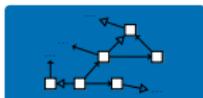
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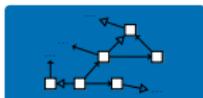
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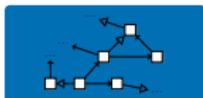
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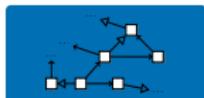
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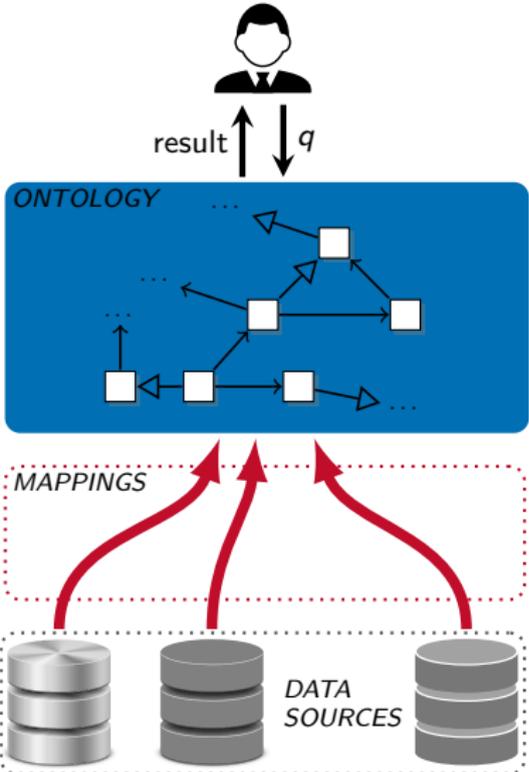
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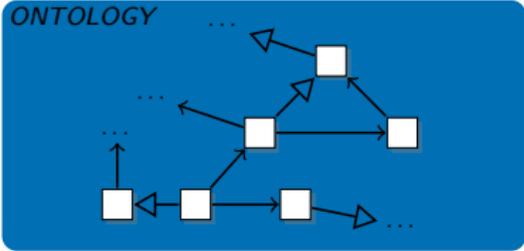
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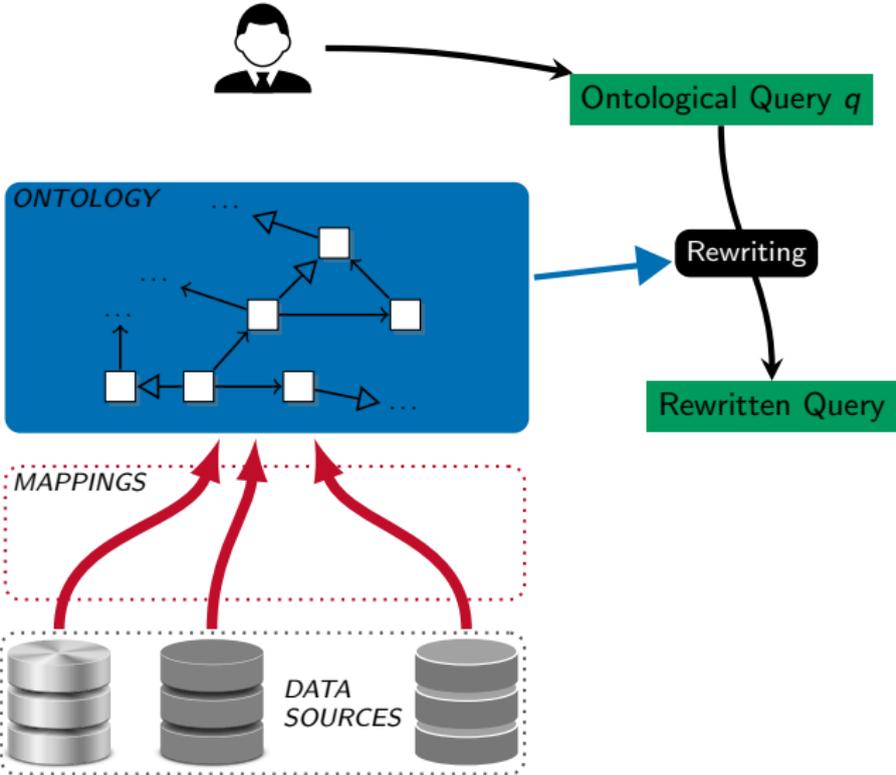
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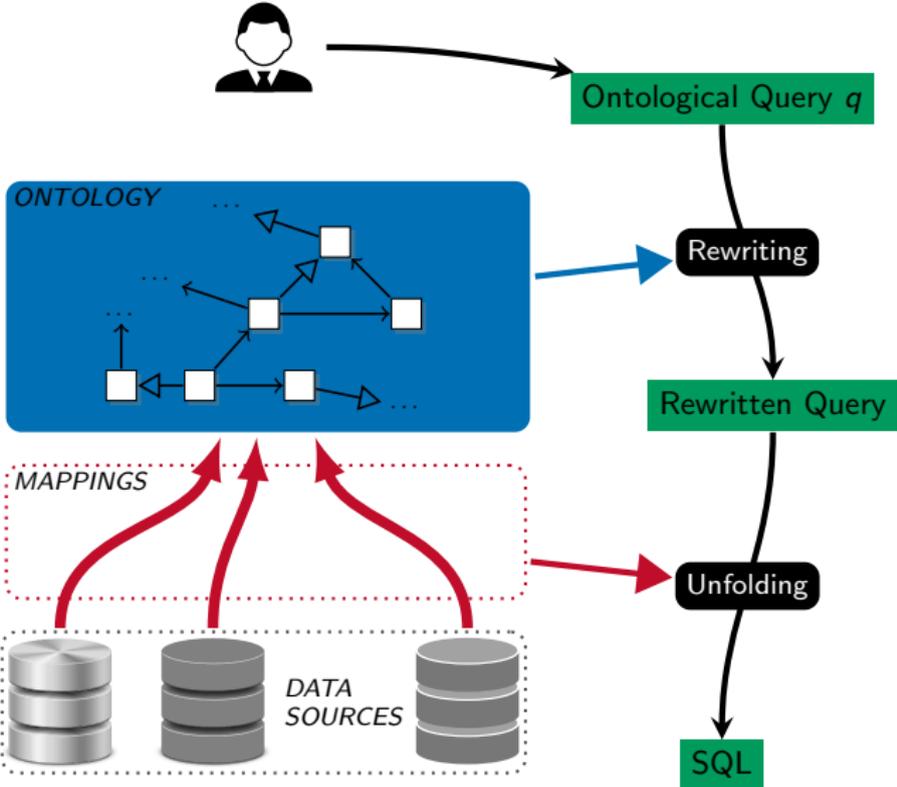
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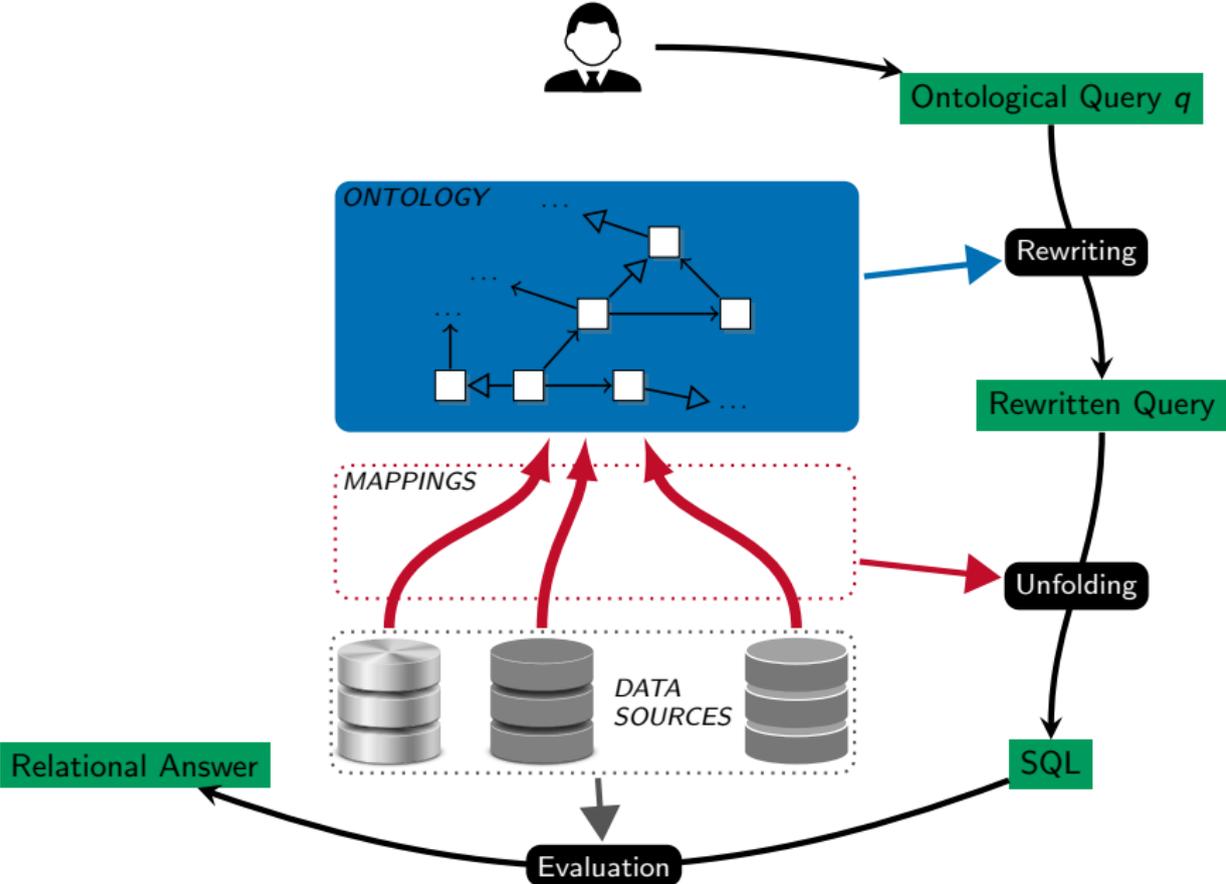
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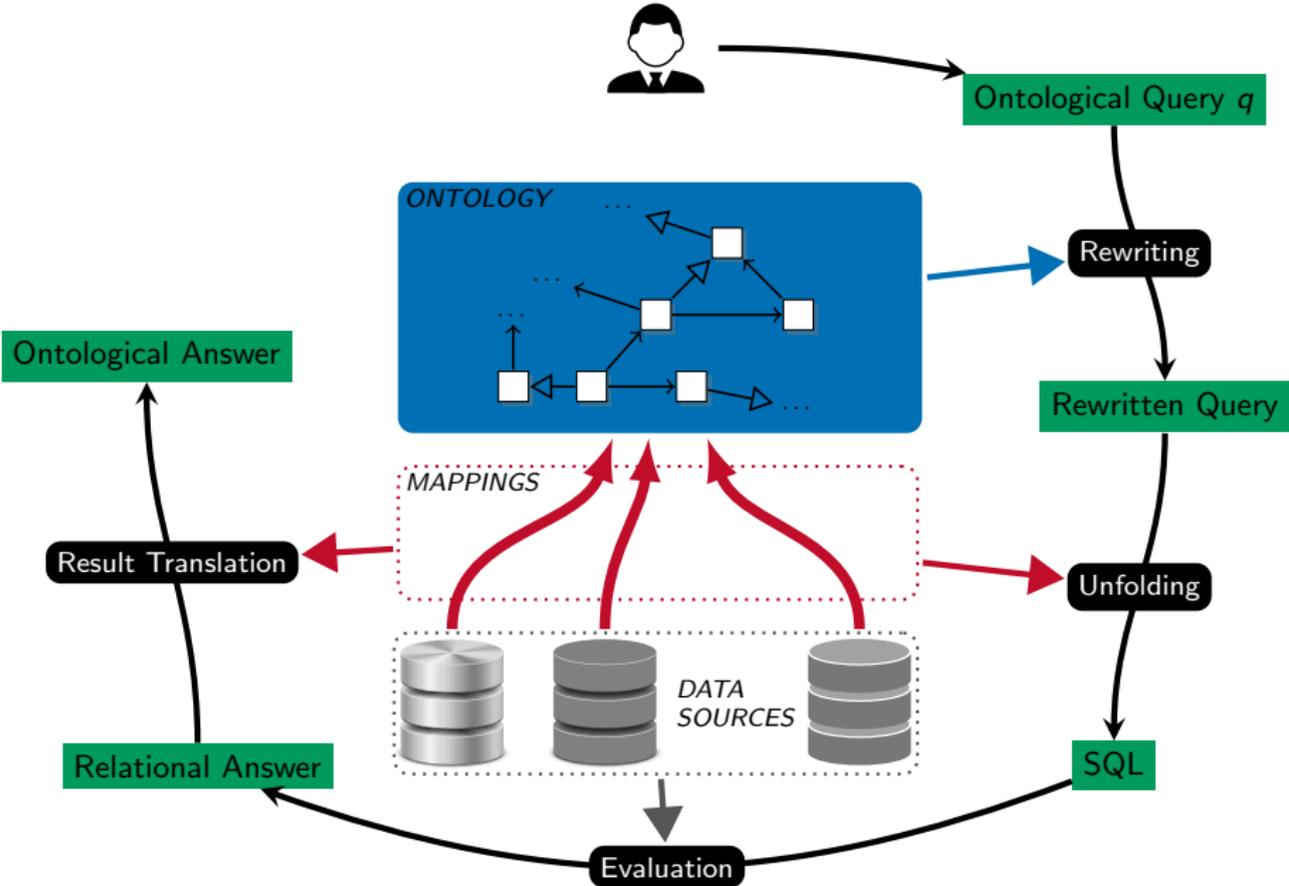
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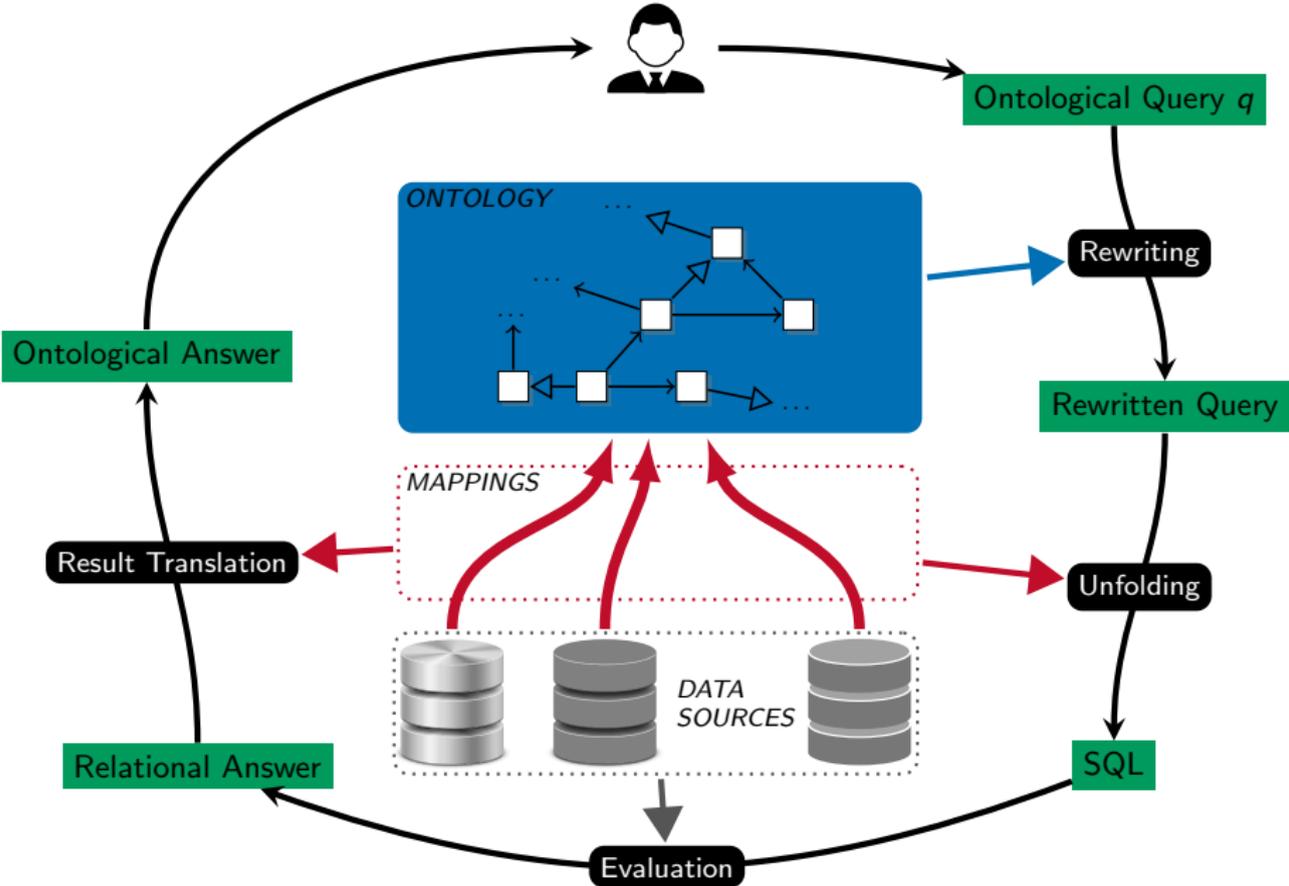
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How Query Rewriting Works

C is an answer to a **query** q over a knowledge base $\langle \mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A} \rangle$

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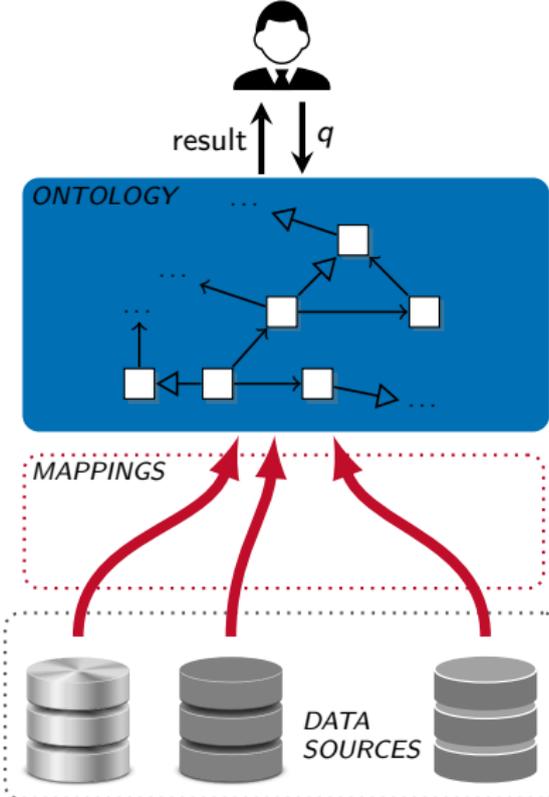
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- Databases are **very bad** at evaluating big queries.

How to deal with that?

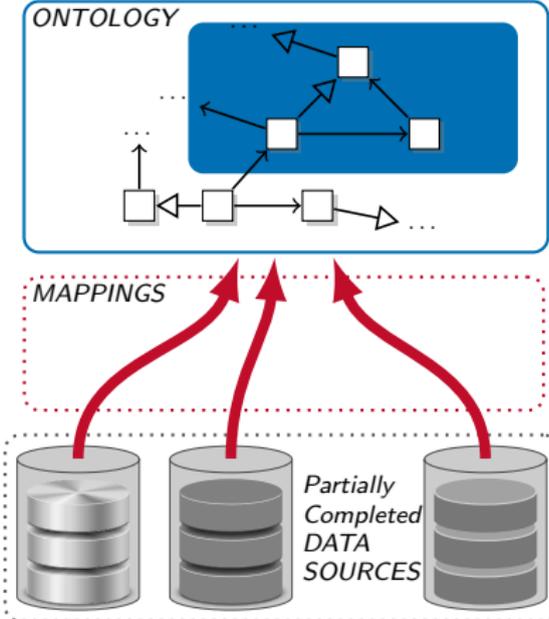
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- reduce the number of joins
- reduce the number of CQs in the big Union of CQs
- massage the query to a shape optimal for the database engine

Query Answering by Combined Approach



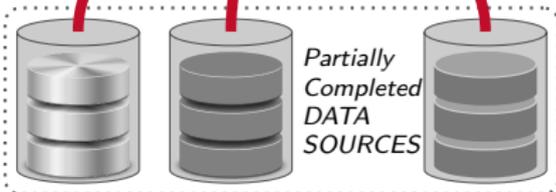
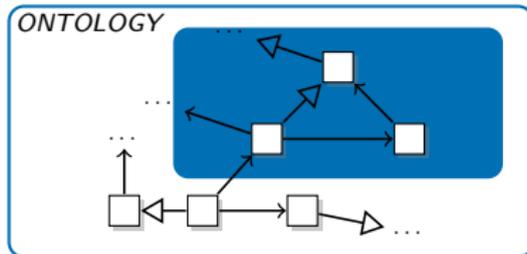
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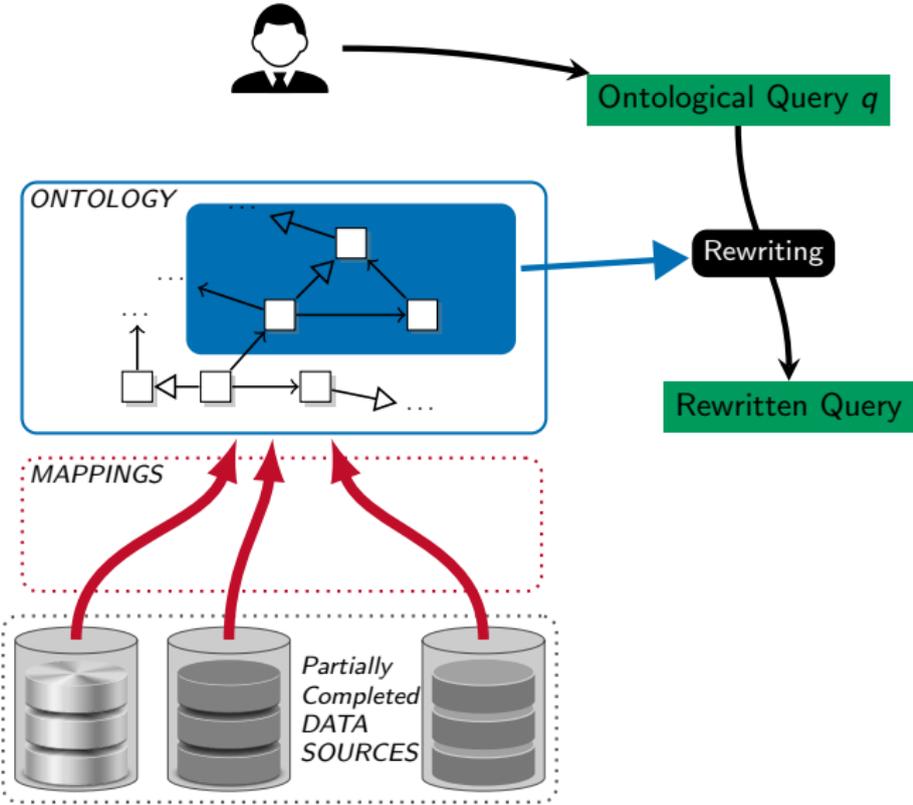
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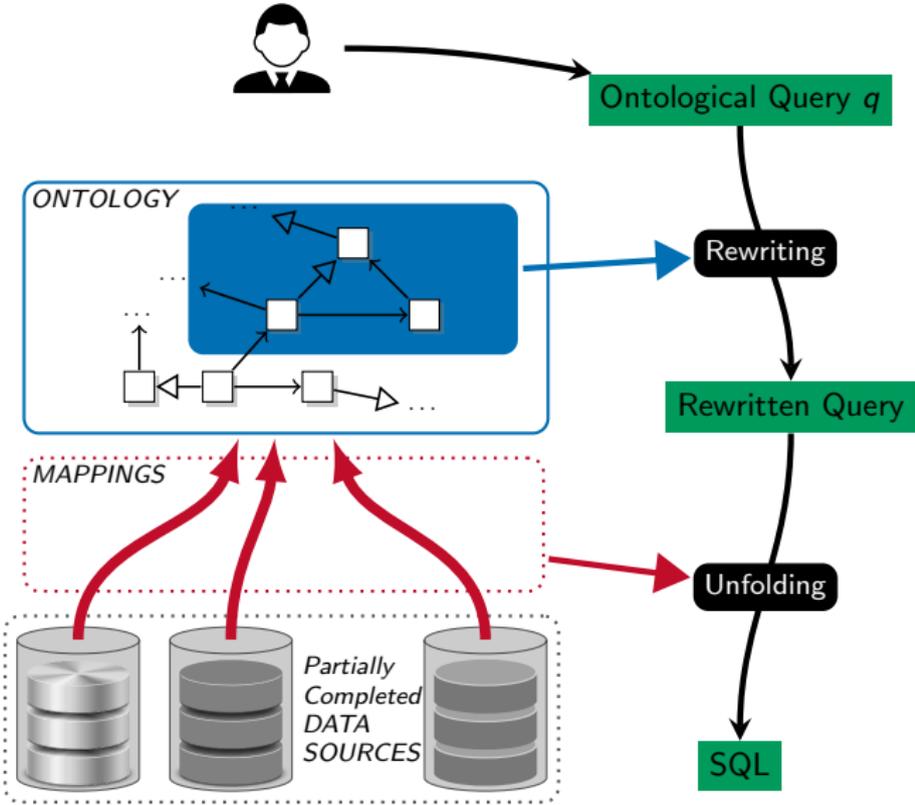
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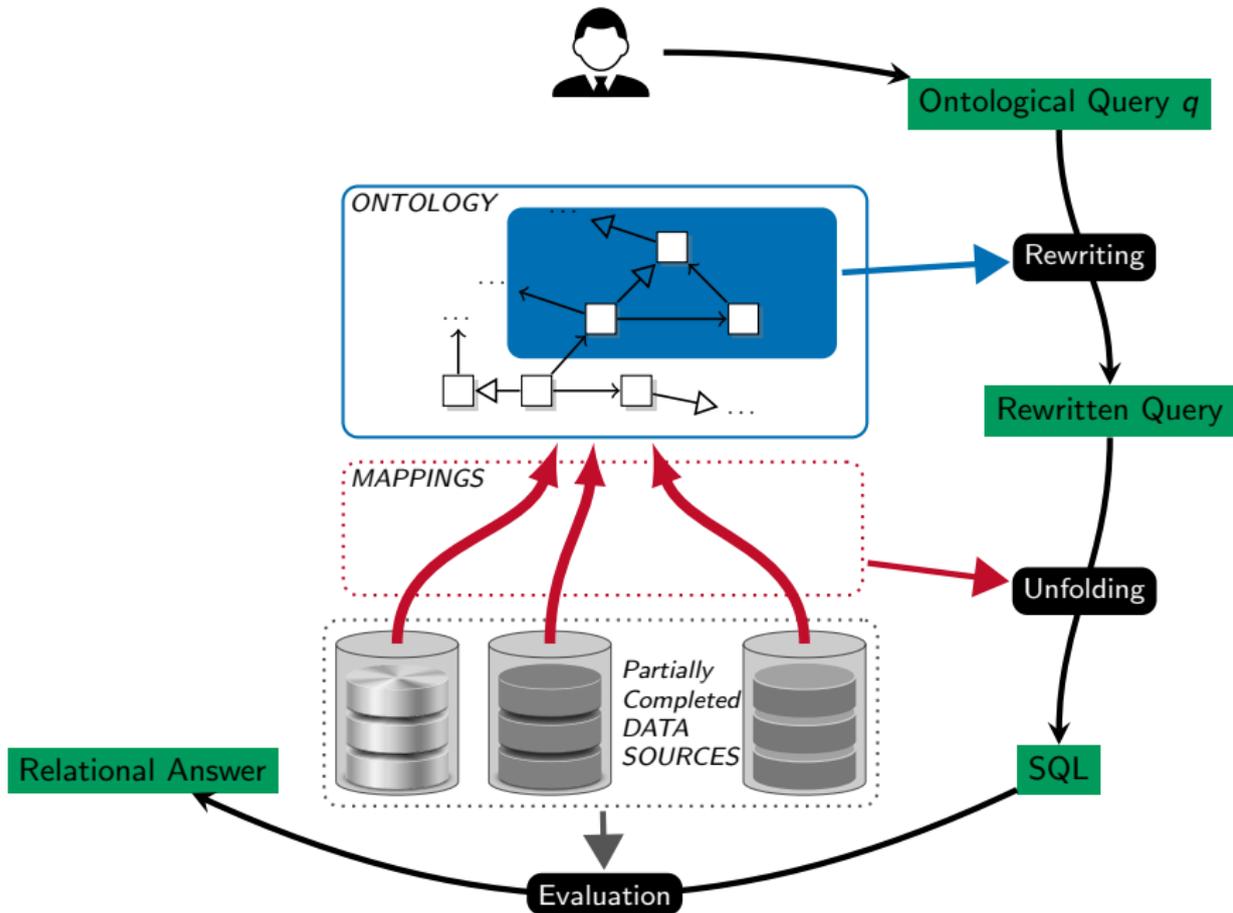
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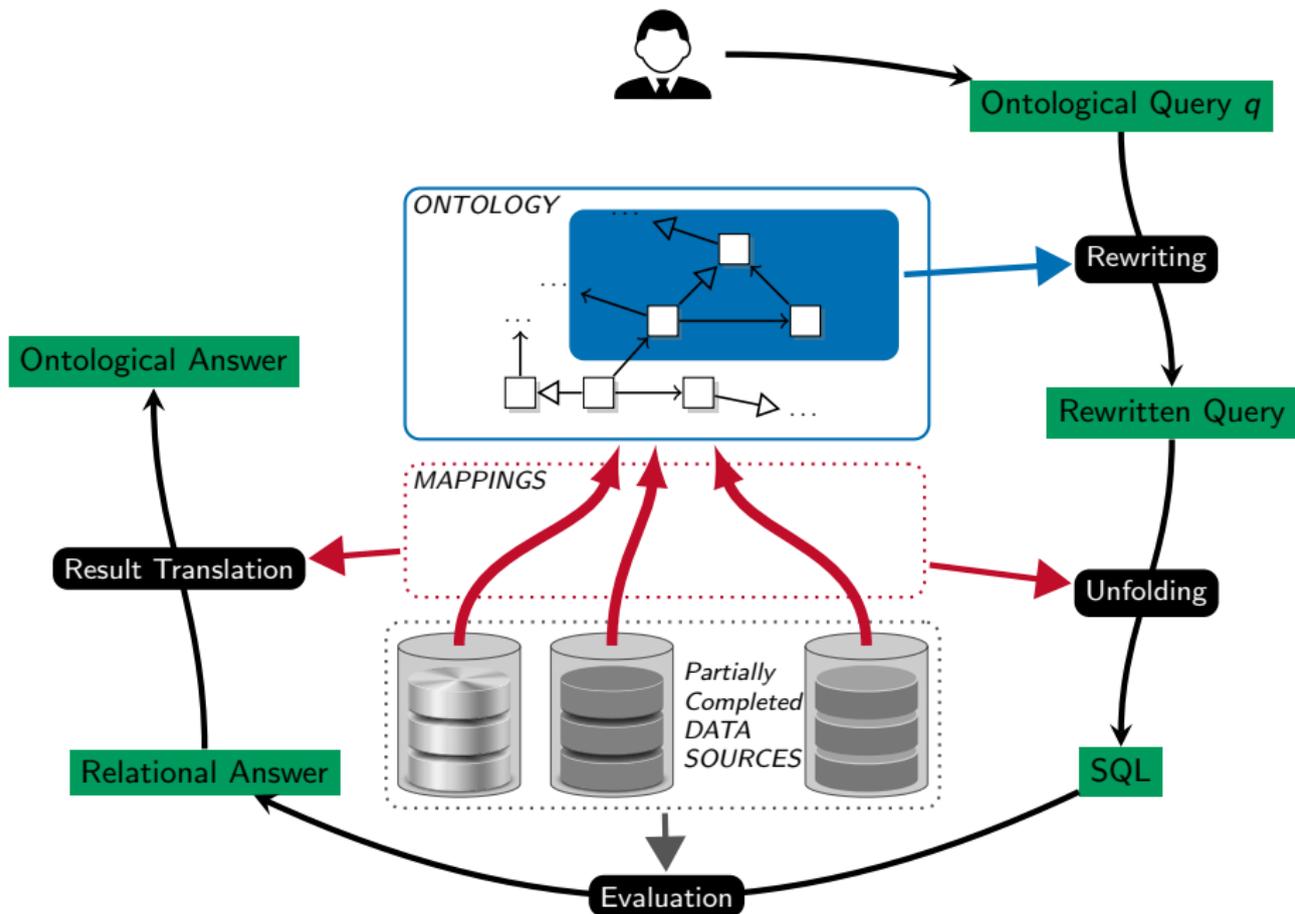
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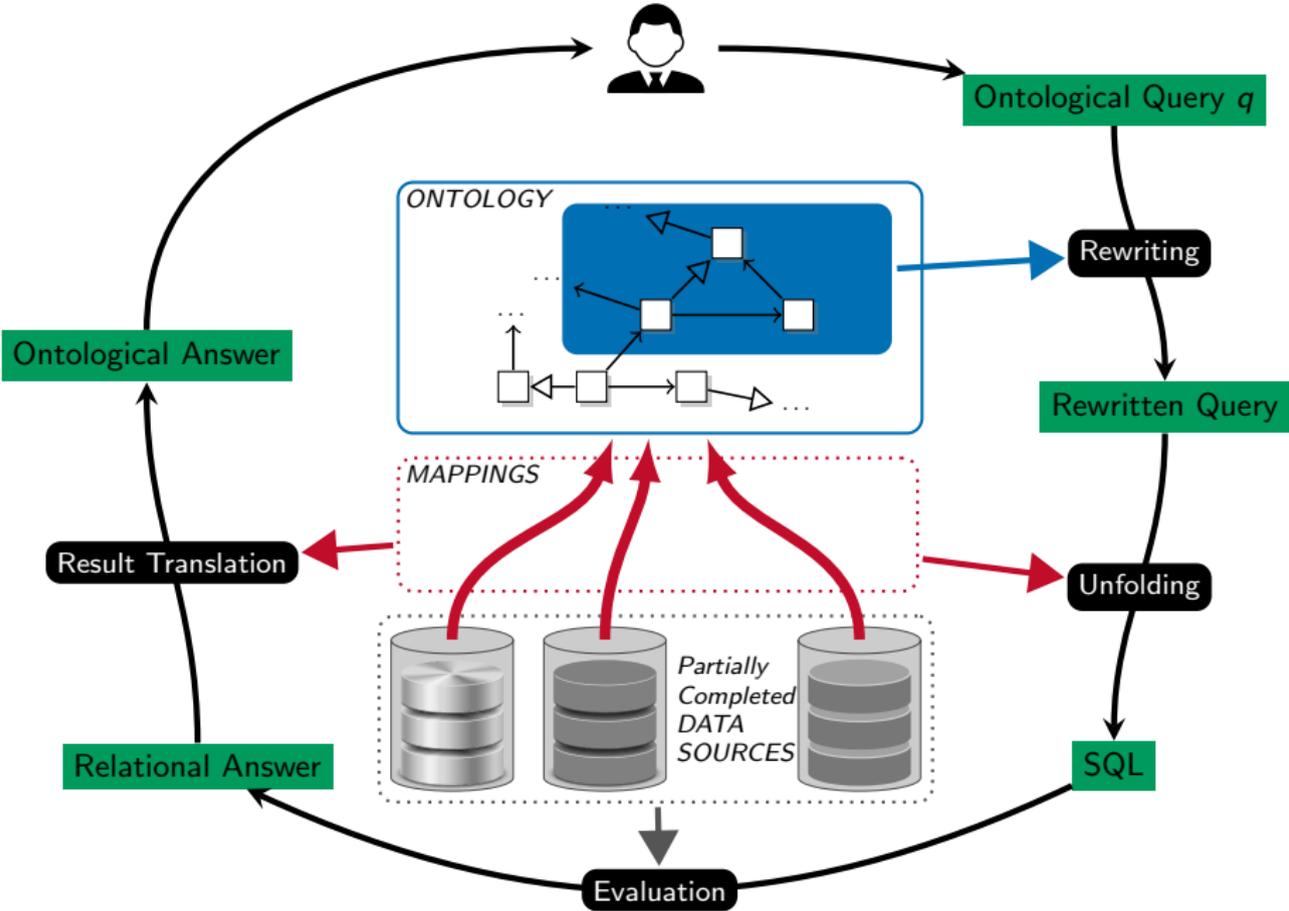
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The answer is **Yes**: Mary is an answer to the query q' over **partially completed data**.

Combined Approach Issues

- in general does not work well for $DL-Lite_{\mathcal{R}}$
- however, it works well for $\mathcal{EL} \approx \text{OWL 2 EL}$
- requires updating data sources, which might not be always possible

What I Did Not Mention

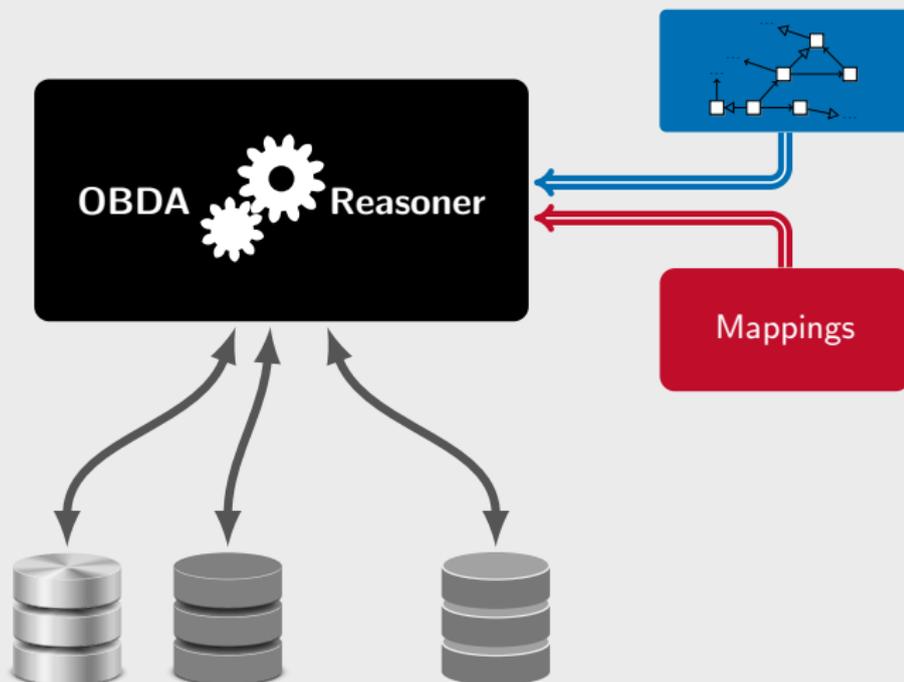
is how **Query Unfolding** is done:

how to obtain from an ontological query an SQL query

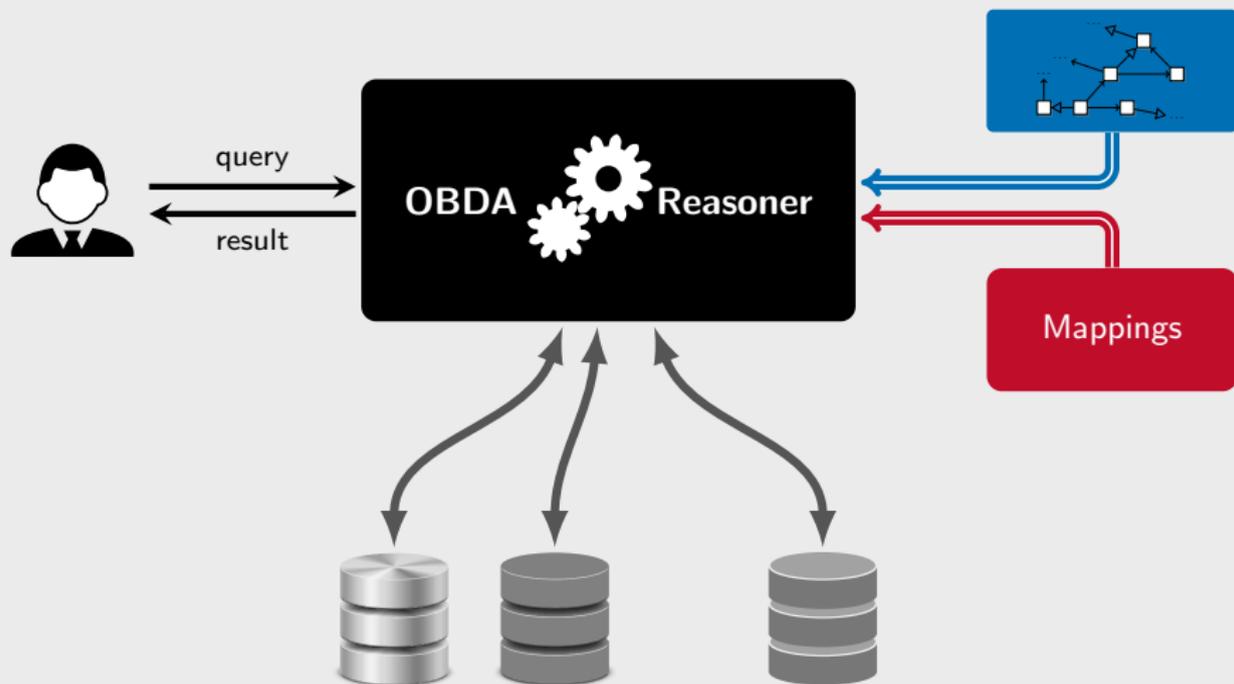
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The Architecture of an OBDA System



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The Existing OBDA Systems

- MASTRO
- Ultrawrap
- ontop / Quest
- ...

-ontop-

-ontop- is an OBDA framework developed at the Free University of Bozen-Bolzano.
<http://ontop.inf.unibz.it/>

-ontop- is freely available for download and comes as

- a plugin for Protege
- OWLAPI
- a SPARQL end-point

Let us see it at work!¹

¹We follow the tutorial that can be found here:

<https://github.com/ontop/ontop/wiki/Easy-Tutorial%3A-Using-Ontop-from-Protege>

Thank you
for your attention!

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