

A formalization of one of the main claims of “A linked data model for data scopes” by De Boer et al. 2021¹

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Abstract. De Boer et al. claimed in previous work that in the context of Digital Humanities research, usage of the Linked Data Scopes ontology contributes to transparency of the research. We present here a formalization of that claim, stating that all things of class “usage of Linked Data Scopes” that are in the context of a thing of class “digital humanities research” can generally have a relation of type “contributes to” to a thing of class “transparency” in the same context.

Keywords: Digital humanities research, usage of linked data scopes, transparency

1. Introduction

De Boer et al. [2] state that “With the rise of data driven methods in the humanities, it becomes necessary to develop reusable and consistent methodological patterns for dealing with the various data manipulation steps. This increases transparency, replicability of the research. Data scopes present a qualitative framework for such methodological steps. In this work we present a Linked Data model to represent and share Data Scopes”. We present here a formalization of the main scientific claim from this quote by using a semantic template called the super-pattern [1].

2. Formalization

Our formalization looks as follows:

¹As RDF/nanopublication: <http://purl.org/np/RAgoIxfXPqNDY8vnK2EmBQDAFwuFIDJtfaMplTvPMq3pg>

CONTEXT-CLASS (“in the context of all...”):	digital humanities research
SUBJECT-CLASS (“things of type...”):	usage of Linked Data Scopes
QUALIFIER:	can generally
RELATION-TYPE (“have a relation of type...”):	contributes to
OBJECT-CLASS (“to things of type...”):	transparency

In the context class we use a new minted class “digital humanities research” that is a subclass of “research” (Q42240) from Wikidata and is related to the class “digital humanities” (Q1026962) from Wikidata. In the subject class, we use a new minted class “usage of Linked Data Scopes” that is defined using the restriction “some values from” from OWL on “the Data Scopes Ontology” with the property “uses” (P2283) from Wikidata. In the object class we use the class “transparency” (Q535347) from Wikidata.

3. RDF code

This is our formalization as a nanopublication in TriG format:

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@prefix this: <http://purl.org/np/RAgoIxfXPqNDY8vknK2EmBQDAFwuFIDJtfaMplTvPMq3pg> .
@prefix sub: <http://purl.org/np/RAgoIxfXPqNDY8vknK2EmBQDAFwuFIDJtfaMplTvPMq3pg> .
@prefix np: <http://www.nanopub.org/nschema#> .
@prefix dct: <http://purl.org/dc/terms/> .
@prefix nt: <https://w3id.org/np/o/ntemplate/> .
@prefix npx: <http://purl.org/nanopub/x/> .
@prefix xsd: <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#> .
@prefix rdfs: <http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#> .
@prefix orcid: <https://orcid.org/> .
@prefix prov: <http://www.w3.org/ns/prov#> .
@prefix sp: <https://w3id.org/linkflows/superpattern/terms/> .

sub:Head {
  this: np:hasAssertion sub:assertion ;
  np:hasProvenance sub:provenance ;
  np:hasPublicationInfo sub:pubinfo ;
  a np:Nanopublication .
}

sub:assertion {
  sub:spi a sp:SuperPatternInstance ;
  rdfs:label "In the context of Digital Humanities research, usage of the Linked Data Scopes ontology contributes to
transparency of the research." ;
  sp:hasContextClass <http://purl.org/np/RAkCjYmMU3obIrc4IpwUw84JWlymd3l2yz0N0g-R9yes0#digital-humanities-research> ;
  sp:hasSubjectClass <http://purl.org/np/RAcPala08kAt8QYwjQoJg-PizYvo0jCzYrAiOX_XOyklw#usage-of-linked-data-scopes> ;
  sp:hasQualifier sp:canGenerallyQualifier ;
  sp:hasRelation sp:contributesTo ;
  sp:hasObjectClass <https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q535347> .
}

sub:provenance {
  sub:activity a sp:FormalizationActivity ;
  prov:used sub:quote , <https://doi.org/10.1007%2F978-3-030-71903-6_32> ;
  prov:wasAssociatedWith orcid:0000-0001-9079-039X .
  sub:assertion prov:wasGeneratedBy sub:activity .
  sub:quote prov:value "With the rise of data driven methods in the humanities, it becomes necessary to develop reusable and
consistent methodological patterns for dealing with the various data manipulation steps. This increases transparency,
replicability of the research. Data scopes present a qualitative framework for such methodological steps. In this work we
present a Linked Data model to represent and share Data Scopes" ;
  prov:wasQuotedFrom <https://doi.org/10.1007%2F978-3-030-71903-6_32> .
}

sub:pubinfo {
  sub:sig npx:hasAlgorithm "RSA" ;
  npx:hasPublicKey
"MIGfMA0GCsGSIb3DQEBAQUAA4GNADCBiQKBQCUS5tVuMgtBUJ+dpXk0EKcI3xKBG4efTcKjAMHeOj6b+liabAld6kXxQKQIRVQomBKOcvoYJ9cTC4K4AMUPMF
QsPSLtlnoFXSahw86AXdAh7kWiVZu04VsONduPPUOWwRQjXRf6gYFLQu3gA5o0PkWd7FZ6lrum6lNmi/LPQdwIDAQAB" ;
  npx:hasSignature
"Zn7F/GSB5lE7q1x9oYoWH2jMAnMIGJhh5bdy6spvltV7O20Wok82jK7IcZohdtPrzFcmKyrbl8VhXJD6KY1NFP2zui5n0gyBNzv/aruPWUdTx8WaijNqv75R96ZmU
HIRWknF8lpP53HjGK1TfIVUevYv0lNfV88DiQdMo9naSPM=" ;
  npx:hasSignatureTarget this .
  this: dct:created "2021-11-19T09:25:07.665+01:00"^^xsd:dateTime ;
  dct:creator orcid:0000-0001-9079-039X ;
  npx:introduces sub:spi ;
  npx:supersedes <http://purl.org/np/RAOHU7k7XUj8lioBftZFk7ywhX5uBB1VgXduglUYgyW5w> ;
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<https://w3id.org/linkflows/reviews/isUpdateOf> <http://purl.org/np/RATc909tCdQPlrsJeGnsTNO0PbENIzdKa6XA0ex7dXfrY> ;
nt:wasCreatedFromProvenanceTemplate <http://purl.org/np/RAB_oy10D3XUP-zYlqGz7Uj58AsUXhKeGgmRFg5LSgDM> ;
nt:wasCreatedFromPubinfoTemplate <http://purl.org/np/RA2vCBXzf-icEcvRGhulJXugTGxpsV5yVr9yqCI1bQh4A> ,
<http://purl.org/np/RAA2MfGdBczmz9yVWjKLXNbyfBNcwsMmOqcNUxkk1maIM> ;
<http://purl.org/np/RAjpbMlw3owYhJUBo3DtsuDLXsNAJ8cnGeWAutDVjuAuI> ;
nt:wasCreatedFromTemplate <http://purl.org/np/RAv68imZrEjfcP2rnEglhzoBqEvc0cQMtp9_1Za0BxNM4> .
}

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The following nanopublications introduce the newly minted classes in TriG format.
This is the class definition of “digital humanities research”:

```

@prefix this: <http://purl.org/np/RAKcJYmMU3obIrC4IpwUw84JWlymd312yz0N0g-R9yes0> .
@prefix sub: <http://purl.org/np/RAKcJYmMU3obIrC4IpwUw84JWlymd312yz0N0g-R9yes0#> .
@prefix np: <http://www.nanopub.org/nschema#> .
@prefix dct: <http://purl.org/dc/terms/> .
@prefix nt: <https://w3id.org/np/o/ntemplate/> .
@prefix npx: <http://purl.org/nanopub/x/> .
@prefix xsd: <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#> .
@prefix rdfs: <http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#> .
@prefix orcid: <https://orcid.org/> .
@prefix prov: <http://www.w3.org/ns/prov#> .
@prefix skos: <http://www.w3.org/2004/02/skos/core#> .

sub:Head {
  this: np:hasAssertion sub:assertion ;
  np:hasProvenance sub:provenance ;
  np:hasPublicationInfo sub:pubinfo ;
  a np:Nanopublication .
}
sub:assertion {
  sub:digital-humanities-research a <http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#Class> ;
  rdfs:label "Digital Humanities Research" ;
  rdfs:subClassOf <http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q42240> ;
  skos:definition "systematic study undertaken to increase knowledge in the field of Digital Humanities" ;
  skos:relatedMatch <http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q1026962> .
}
sub:provenance {
  sub:assertion prov:wasAttributedTo orcid:0000-0001-9079-039X .
}
sub:pubinfo {
  sub:sig npx:hasAlgorithm "RSA" ;
  npx:hasPublicKey
  "MIGfMA0GCQgSIb3DQEBAQUAA4GNADCBiQKBgQCUTUS5tVuMGtBUJ+dpxk0EKci3xKBG4efTcKjAMHeQj6b+1iabAld6kXxQKQIRVQomBKOcvoYJ9oTC4K4AMUPMF
  QPSLl1noFxSahw86AXdAh7kWiVZu04VsONduPPUOWwRQjXRf6gYFLQu3gA5o0PkWd7FZ61rum6lNmi/LFQdwIDAQAB" ;
  npx:hasSignature
  "iXaNMYj4CT3YA+x8F4yuNplPhG8xjxeAAep0/7CYZS2LQ1D2ovNJMvJCSxqLp6qhraPpSo9hnWeS/zLL1TwMft4W0KtjQnET8mqI2kpgC9XYllcch2jr2sVPgil7Y
  gR9mir9CzEXHRchU8m6QH52twnsfQWtN3uLo+rOl2hMmJs=" ;
  npx:hasSignatureTarget this: .
  this: dct:created "2021-10-26T14:11:45.332+02:00"^^xsd:dateTime ;
  dct:creator orcid:0000-0001-9079-039X ;
  npx:introduces sub:digital-humanities-research ;
  nt:wasCreatedFromProvenanceTemplate <http://purl.org/np/RANwQa4ICWS5SOjw7gp99nBpXBasapwtZF1fIM3H2gYTM> ;
  nt:wasCreatedFromPubinfoTemplate <http://purl.org/np/RAA2MfGdBczmz9yVWjKLXNbyfBNcwsMmOqcNUxkk1maIM> ;
  nt:wasCreatedFromTemplate <http://purl.org/np/RADppRpigXtt8iPV9uOPf3wIT3qzOI8Sg2Q72CNV8g-Yo> .
}

```

This is the class definition of “usage of Linked Data Scopes”:

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@prefix this: <http://purl.org/np/RACpala08kAt8QYwJQoJq-PizYvo0jCzYrAiOX_XOyk1w> .
@prefix sub: <http://purl.org/np/RACpala08kAt8QYwJQoJq-PizYvo0jCzYrAiOX_XOyk1w#> .
@prefix np: <http://www.nanopub.org/nschema#> .
@prefix dct: <http://purl.org/dc/terms/> .
@prefix nt: <https://w3id.org/np/o/ntemplate/> .
@prefix npx: <http://purl.org/nanopub/x/> .
@prefix xsd: <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#> .
@prefix rdfs: <http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#> .
@prefix orcid: <https://orcid.org/> .
@prefix prov: <http://www.w3.org/ns/prov#> .
@prefix owl: <http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#> .

sub:Head {
  this: np:hasAssertion sub:assertion ;
  np:hasProvenance sub:provenance ;
  np:hasPublicationInfo sub:pubinfo ;
  a np:Nanopublication .
}
sub:assertion {
  sub:usage-of-linked-data-scopes dct:description "Usage of the Linked Data Scopes ontology in a research project" ;
  a owl:Class , owl:Restriction ;
}

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    rdfs:label "Usage of the Linked Data Scopes ontology" ;
    owl:onProperty <http://wikidata.org/prop/direct/P2283> ;
    owl:someValuesFrom <https://w3id.org/datascope/> .
}
sub:provenance {
  sub:assertion prov:wasAttributedTo orcid:0000-0001-9079-039X .
}
sub:pubinfo {
  sub:sig npx:hasAlgorithm "RSA" ;
  npx:hasPublicKey
  "MIGfMA0GCSqGSIb3DQEBAQUAA4GNADCBiQKBgQCUTUS5tVuMGtBUJ+dpxk0EKcI3xKBG4efTcKjAMHeQj6b+liabAld6kXxKQKQIRVQomBK0cvoYJ9oTC4K4AMUPMF
  QsPSLtlnoFxSahw86AXdAh7kWiVZu04Vs0NDuPPUOWWRQjXRf6gYFLQu3gA5o0PkWd7FZ6lrum6lNmI/LFQdwIDAQAB" ;
  npx:hasSignature
  "CrXMFJLR+Q5CY5wK6uM5TWBfMfb+S3RR77LhqkIUcjwml9ARVAixA6iAyrqUAo/Of3vpJdzPzjoGbieJGYLhbPfn3bVC70Zwzww1S/+g8jtrNmshNR1ZBsQ/D5zkL
  HJEdXx52VP+Sqm4YTQsm7oTtKu9jZfJo33MS9sogr8B4=" ;
  npx:hasSignatureTarget this: .
  this: dct:created "2021-11-19T09:23:19.603+01:00"^^xsd:dateTime ;
  dct:creator orcid:0000-0001-9079-039X ;
  npx:introduces sub:usage-of-linked-data-scopes ;
  npx:supersedes <http://purl.org/np/RAUxfk7XeLxn-2hiX3xWS1E5LXgkNW0MIFBGe2h3Bb3pM> ;
  nt:wasCreatedFromProvenanceTemplate <http://purl.org/np/RANwQa4ICWS5SOjw7gp99nBpXBasapwtZF1fIM3H2gYTM> ;
  nt:wasCreatedFromPubinfoTemplate <http://purl.org/np/RAA2MfqdBczmz9yVWjKLNbyfBNcwsMmOqcNUxkk1maIM> ,
  <http://purl.org/np/RAjpbMl3owYhJUBo3DtsuD1XsNAJ8cnGeWAutDVjuAuI> ;
  nt:wasCreatedFromTemplate <http://purl.org/np/RAX7opQ5Tv_uIMSyQNuJbJFU04JLa-xuTUITq1w2aQ1eU> .
}

```

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