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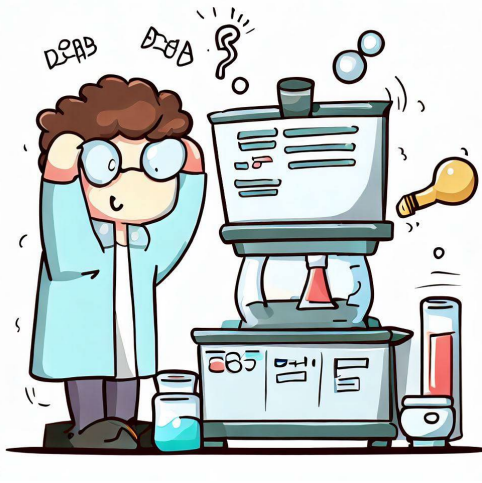
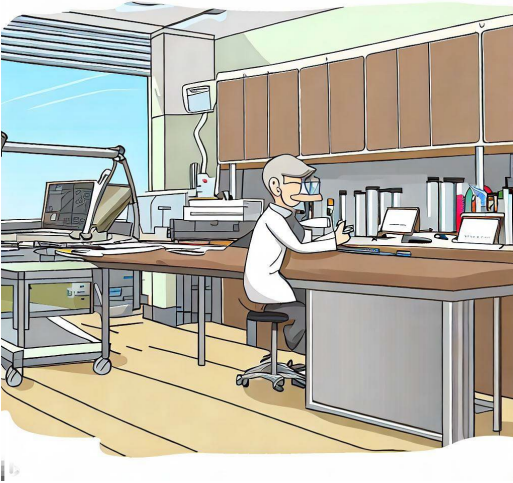
## Exploring Knowledge Graphs with the Exploratory Search System (ESS)

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# An Exemplary Scenario

Rodrygo is a translator working on the *composite laminate research*



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# Agenda

- **What is Exploratory Search Systems (ESS)**
- Key Features
- Innovation Cases
- Architecture & Technology
- Guidelines

# Traditional Search Systems

Traditional search systems heavily rely on the popular query-response paradigm.

=> successful for well-defined information need with precise goal in mind.

Task

*What is the longest river in South America?*

longest river south america

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**10 longest rivers in south America - Eniscuola**

10 longest rivers in south America. e-learning. E-learning. To inform younger students about Energy and Environment, Science, Chemistry, English culture and ...

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**What is the longest river in South America?**

17.10.2017 — South America boasts no shortage of great rivers. · Stretching somewhere between 6,400 and 6,992 kilometres, the Amazon is South America's ...

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**Amazon River - Wikipedia**

The Amazon River in South America is the largest river by discharge volume of water in the world, and the disputed second longest river in the world.

[Origin of the name](#) · [History](#) · [Course](#) · [Watershed](#)

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**List of rivers by length - Wikipedia**

This is a list of the longest rivers on Earth. It includes river systems over 1,000 kilometres (620 ... River was rejuvenated by much of its lower course being removed, likeliest when Africa split from South America when Gondwanaland broke up ...

[Definition of length](#) · [List of river systems...](#) · [Notes](#) · [River systems that may...](#)

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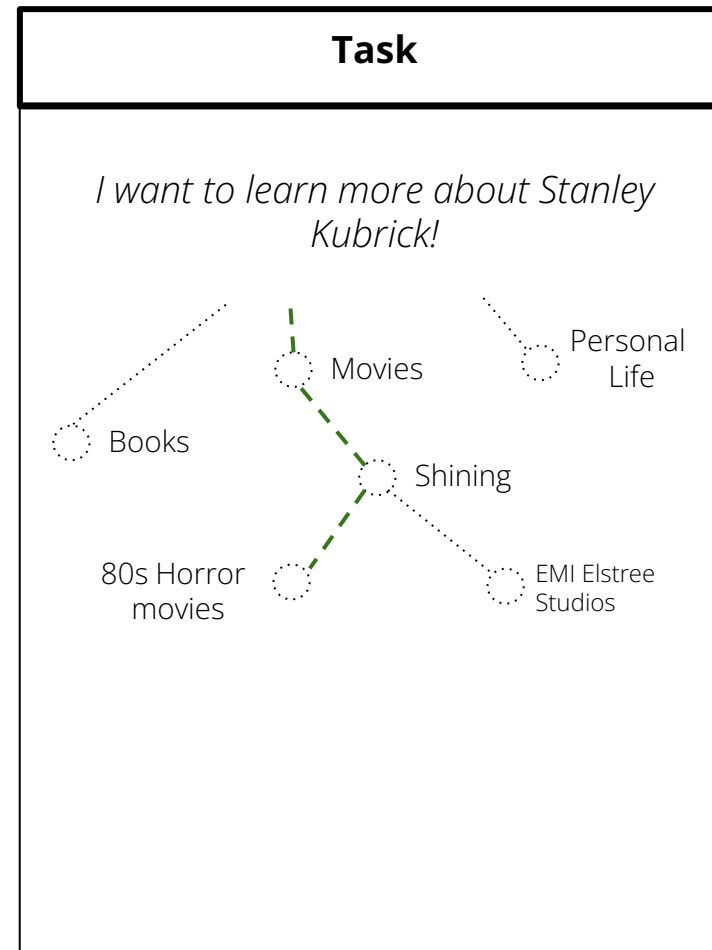
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# Exploratory Search Systems

Exploratory search systems enable information seeking tasks such as learning and investigating.

=> increased level of interaction between user and search system

=> more active engagement in search process



## Stanley Kubrick

Film director

Stanley Kubrick was an American film director, producer, screenwriter, and photographer. He is frequently cited as one of the greatest filmmakers in cinematic history. [Wikipedia](#)

**Born:** July 26, 1928, [Manhattan, New York, United States](#)

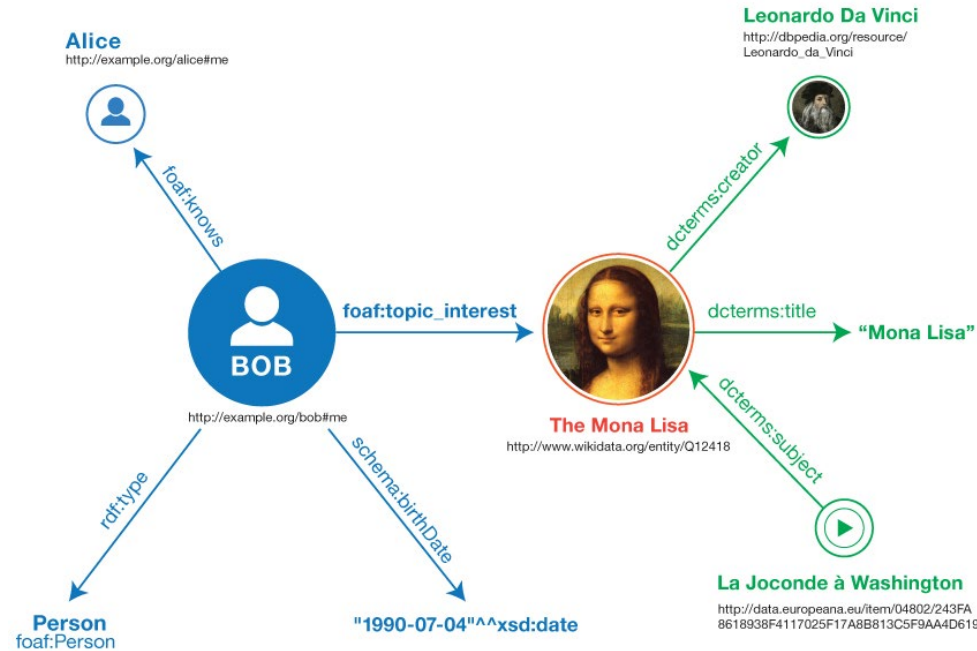
**Died:** March 7, 1999, [Childwick Bury, United Kingdom](#)

**Film story credits:** [Napoléon](#)

**Spouse:** [Christiane Kubrick](#) (m. 1958–1999), [Ruth Sobotka](#) (m. 1955–1957), [Toba Metz](#) (m. 1948–1951)

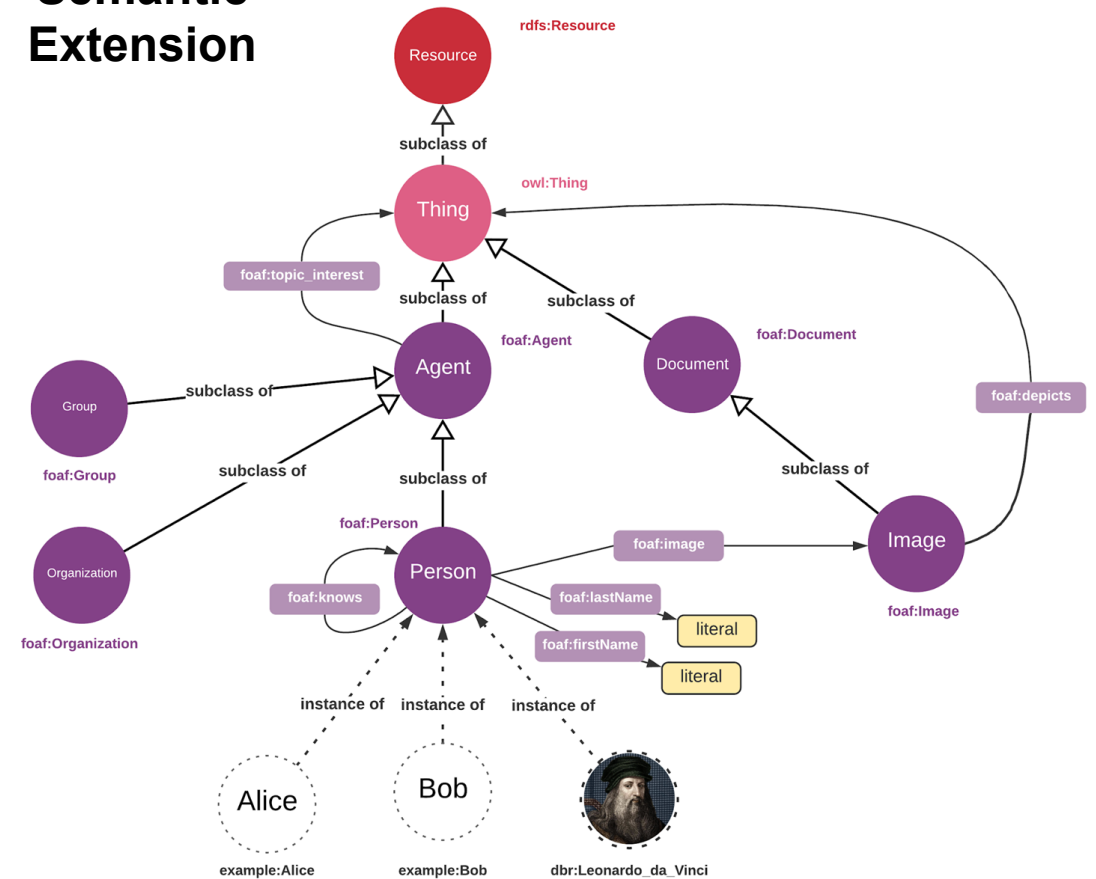
**Children:** [Vivian Kubrick](#), [Anya Kubrick](#)

# Exploratory Search on Knowledge Graphs



RDF Graph

## Semantic Extension



=> semantic extension can be exploited for adaptive and interactive search interfaces.

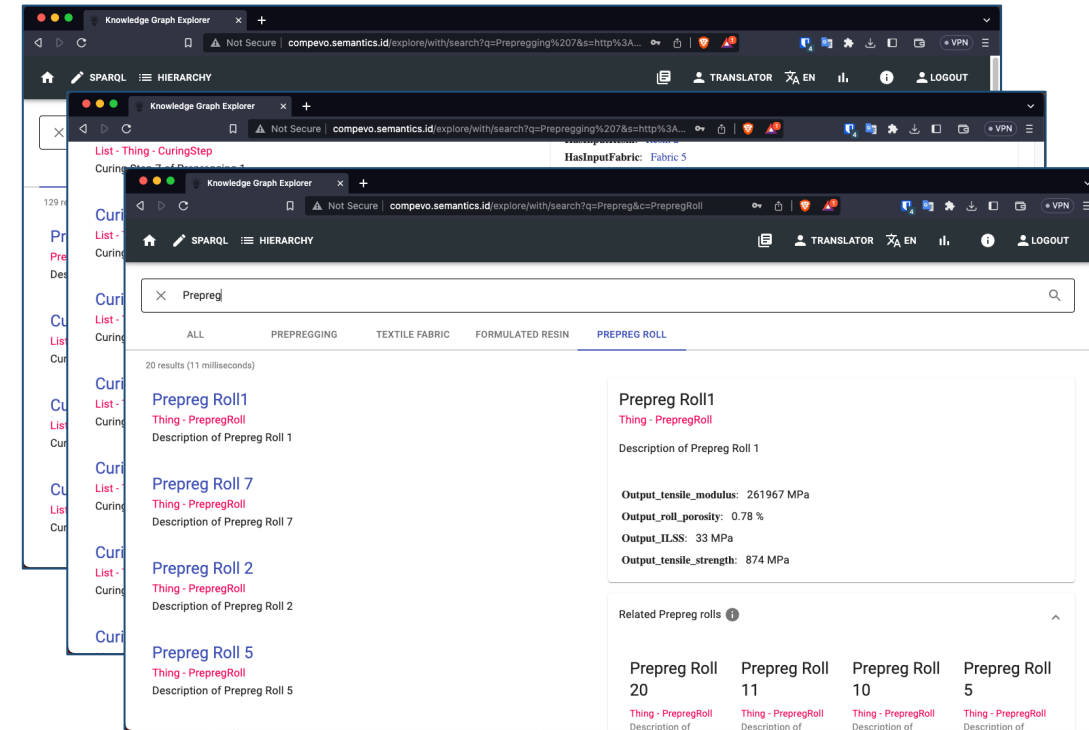
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# Semantic-enriched Data Exploration

- Keyword search
  - Search results with an infobox
  - Based on semantic structure
- Links to related objects
  - Customisable algorithms
- Search result categorization
- Further: *contextualized search result visualizations*
  - Possibility to customize views with “Scopes”
  - Specialized visualization on a selection of data, e.g., class, or certain properties





# Manufacturing-specific Paradigms

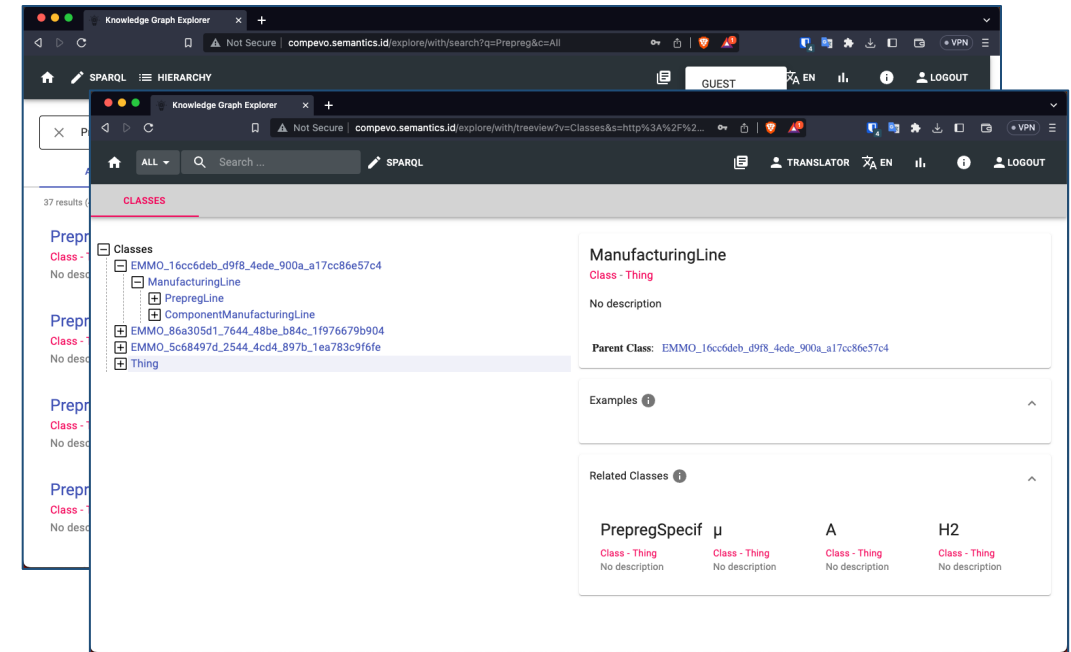
## Informal interviews with stakeholders\*:

- smart manufacturing researchers from industry and university
- translators to companies in OntoTrans
- simulation expert from a production plant manufacturer

## => requirements were aggregated.

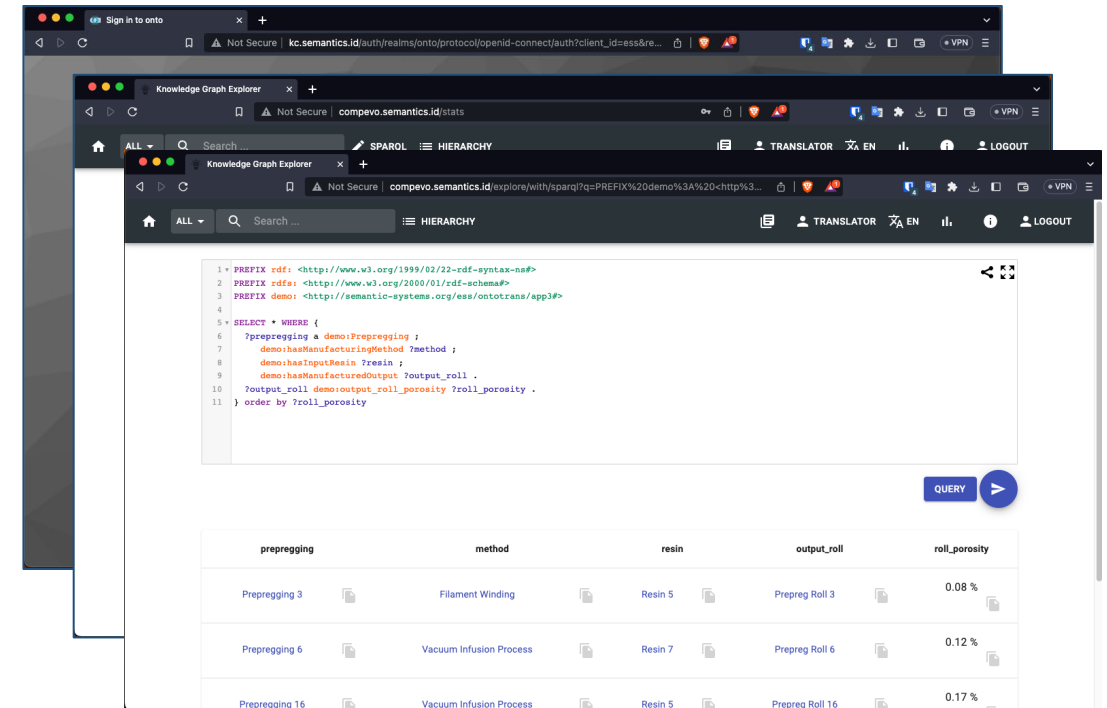
- Multi-perspective exploration
- Hierarchical browsing
- Provenance visibility (not implemented yet in OTE context)

*\*) Haller, Kevin, Fajar J. Ekaputra, Marta Sabou, and Florina Piroi. "Enabling exploratory search on manufacturing knowledge graphs." In Proceedings of the Seventh International Workshop on the Visualization and Interaction for Ontologies and Linked Data, vol. 3253, pp. 16-28. 2022.*



# Other Features

- User Authentication
  - Keycloak implementation on (several) ESS instances
  - Control user access to ESS
- Multilingualism
- Statistical information
- SPARQL query for advanced analytics



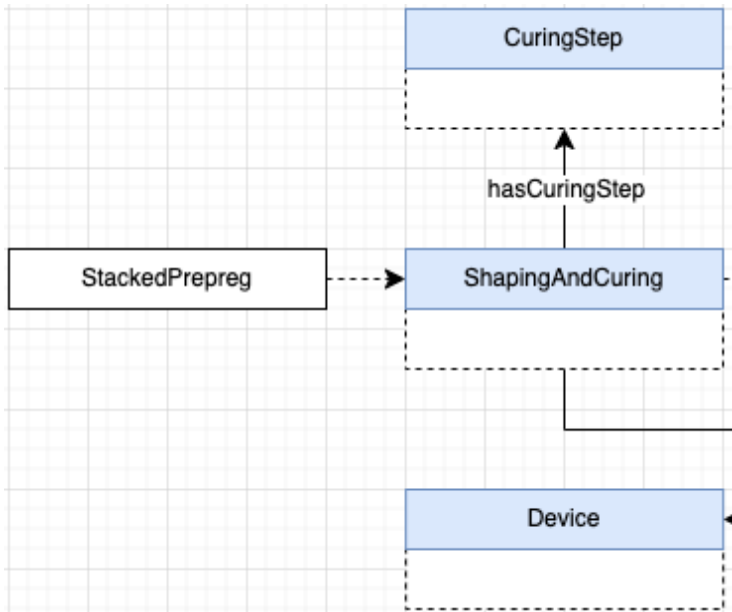
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# Innovation Cases

- Composite Laminate ( <http://composite.semantic-systems.cc> )
- Alloy Precipitation ( <http://alloy.semantic-systems.cc> )
- TU Wien Pilot Factory robots ( <http://cobot.semantics.id> )
- ... and several more

# Helping Rodrygo with ESS



LIVE DEMO: <http://composite.semantic-systems.cc>

The screenshot shows the ONTO/TRANS web application interface. The top navigation bar includes links for SPARQL, HIERARCHY, TRANSLATOR, EN, and LOGOUT. A search bar contains the query 'ILSS Testing (ID : 1)'. Below the search bar, there are tabs for ALL, PRODUCT, PROCESS, DEVICE AND MACHINE, and TESTING AND ASSESSMENT. The 'ALL' tab is selected, showing 104 results (39 milliseconds). The results list includes:

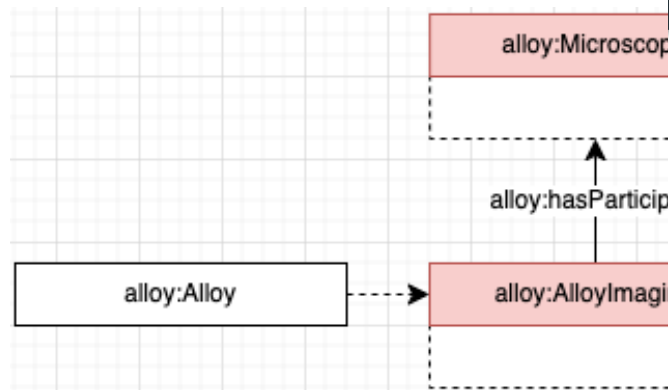
- ILSS Testing (ID : 1)**  
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ilsstesting (ID : 1)
- Ilss Testing**  
Class  
No description
- ilss**  
DatatypeProperty  
No description
- ILSS Testing (ID : 34)**  
Ilss Testing - Process - Testing - Process  
ilsstesting (ID : 34)

A detailed view of the first result, 'ILSS Testing (ID : 1)', is shown on the right, displaying various properties and their values:

- Ilss:** 6.23605e+00
- HasProject:** Project (ID : 1)
- Support\_span:** 1.36574e+00
- HasParticipant:** Device (ID : 1)
- HasSample:** Composite Laminate Sample (ID : 3)
- Test\_series:** 48
- Radius\_support\_pin:** 1.95003e-01
- Raw\_output:** ilss\_testing\_raw\_file\_HXdlm.txt
- Radius\_load\_pin:** 4.52776e-01
- Test\_date:** 2023-08-31

# Further Case: Alloy Analysis

- ... our colleagues from SINTEF will show how to use OTE-API in producing the data in the next session



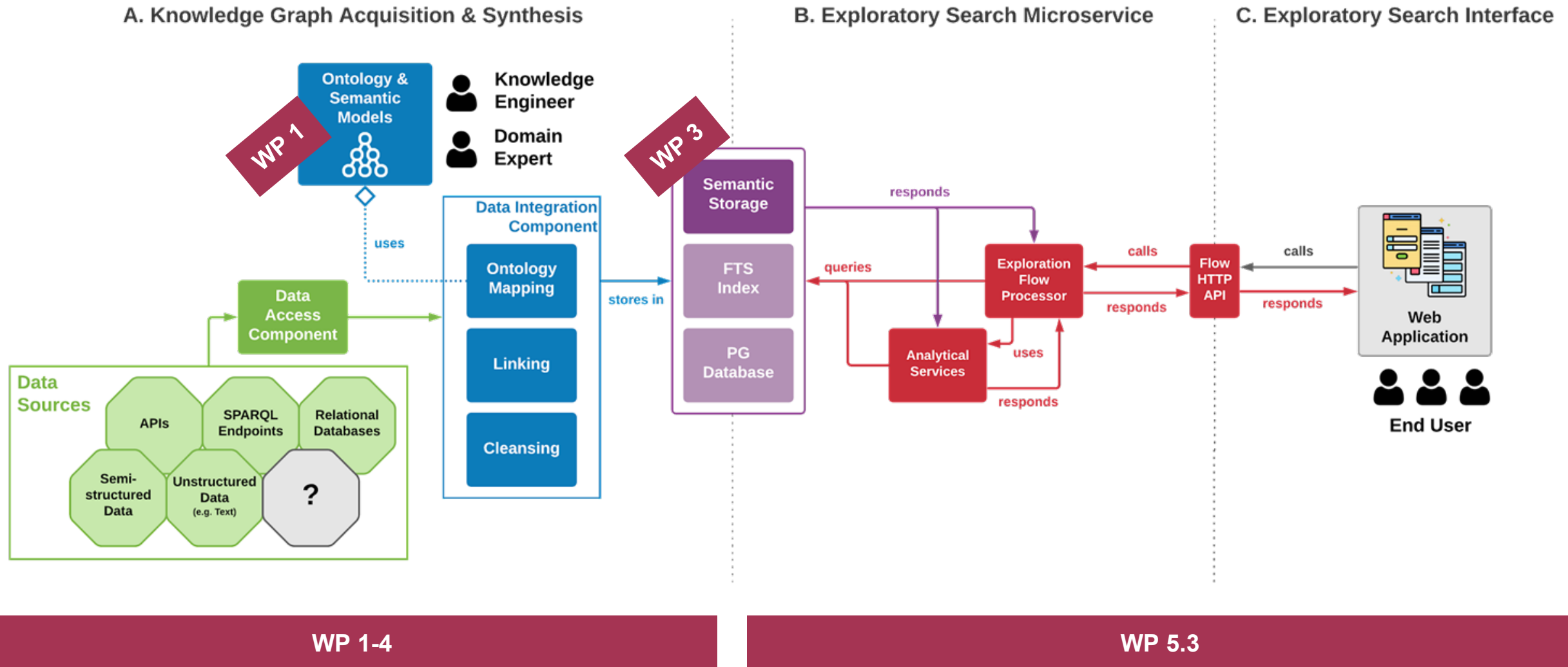

LIVE DEMO: <http://alloy.semantic-systems.cc/>

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# ES Platform - Architecture



# Technology Stack

## Exploratory Search Microservice

=> Spring Boot Application



RDF Framework: RDF4J (Apache Commons RDF)



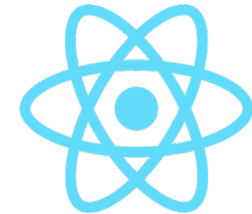
Gremlin Framework: Apache TinkerPop



## Exploratory Search Interface

=> Single Page Web Application

UI Library: ReactJS



State Container Library: Redux

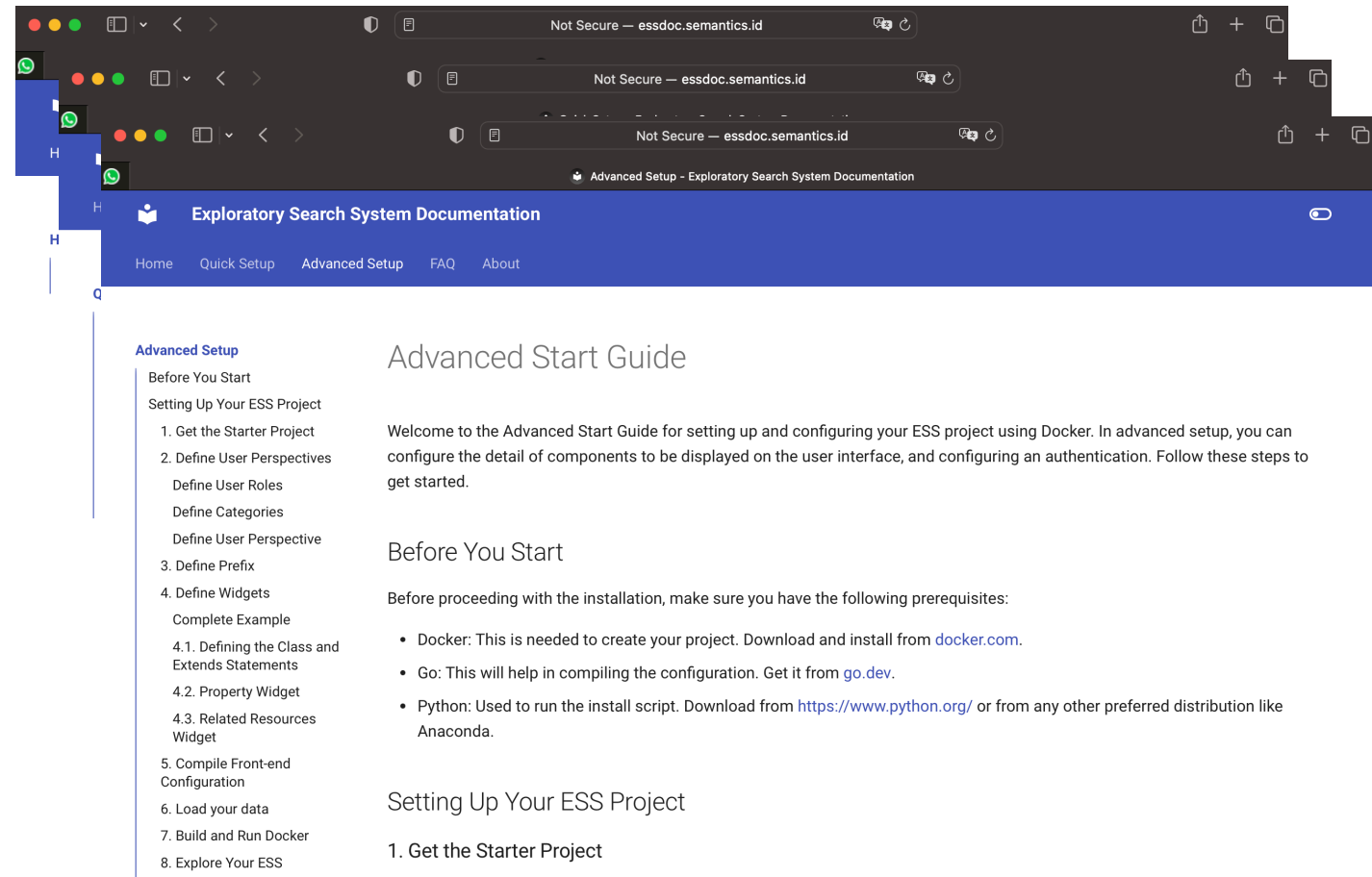


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# ESS Documentation

- ESS Setup Guide – Basic and Advanced
  - Basic: Minimal Setup
  - Advanced: GUI Configuration
    - User perspective definition
    - Prefix definition
    - Widgets definition



URL: <http://essdoc.semantics.id>

# Key Takeaways

- Exploratory search helps users to interact with ontologies and knowledge graphs.
- The Exploratory Search System (ESS) in OTE has been developed and applied in several innovation cases in material engineering and beyond.
- A guideline to apply ESS in *your* innovation cases is available.
  - ... and we are happy to help!

*Thank  
you!*



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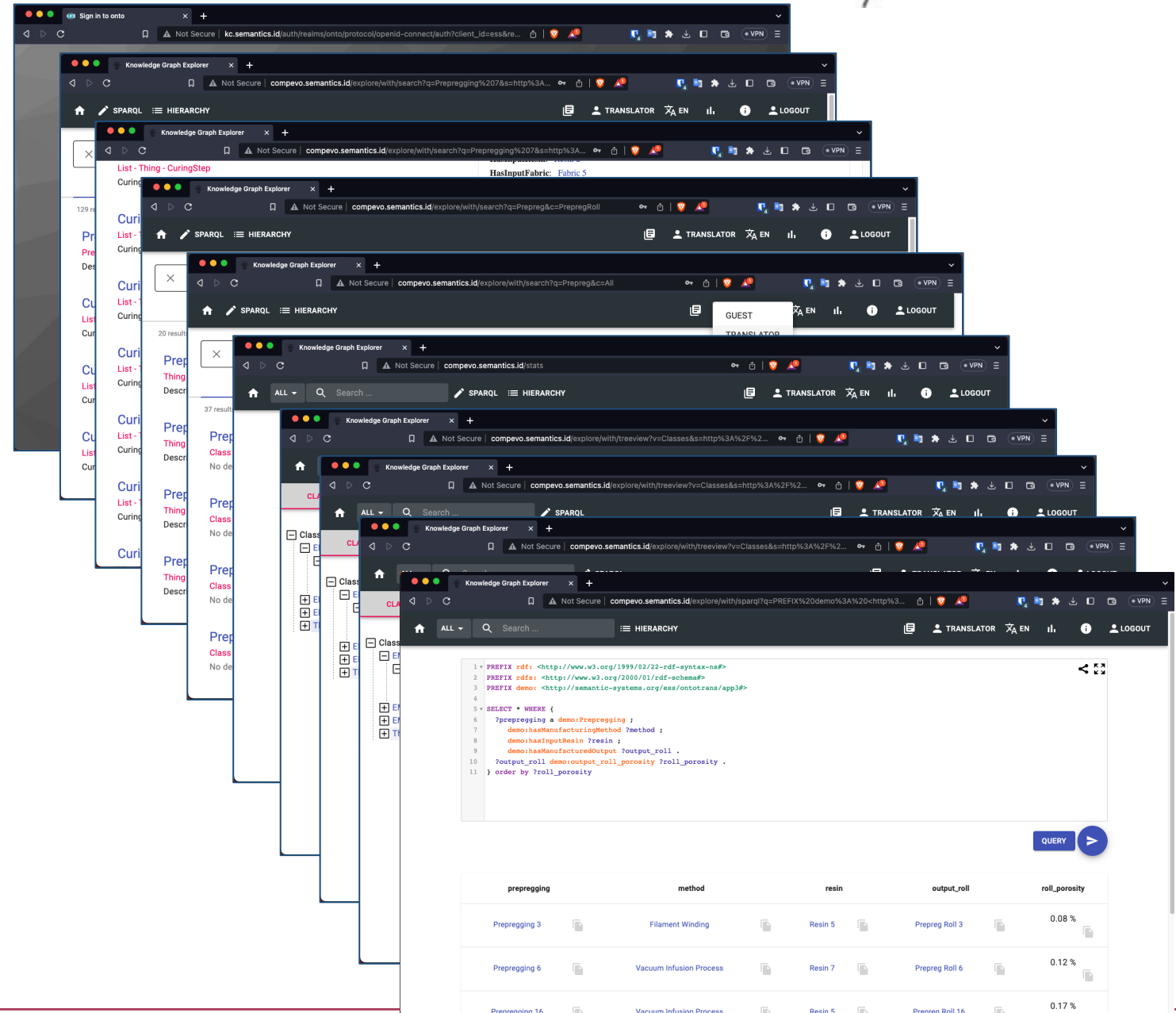
# Backup slides

- **ESS Screenshots**



# Features

- User authentication
- Search interface
  - Info-Box
  - Links to related objects
- Recommendation of related objects
- Tabs for result categories
- Role specializations and Multilingualism
- Statistical information
- Class Hierarchy
- Browsing history
- SPARQL query for advanced analytics



# Appendix

- **Deeper technical discussion**

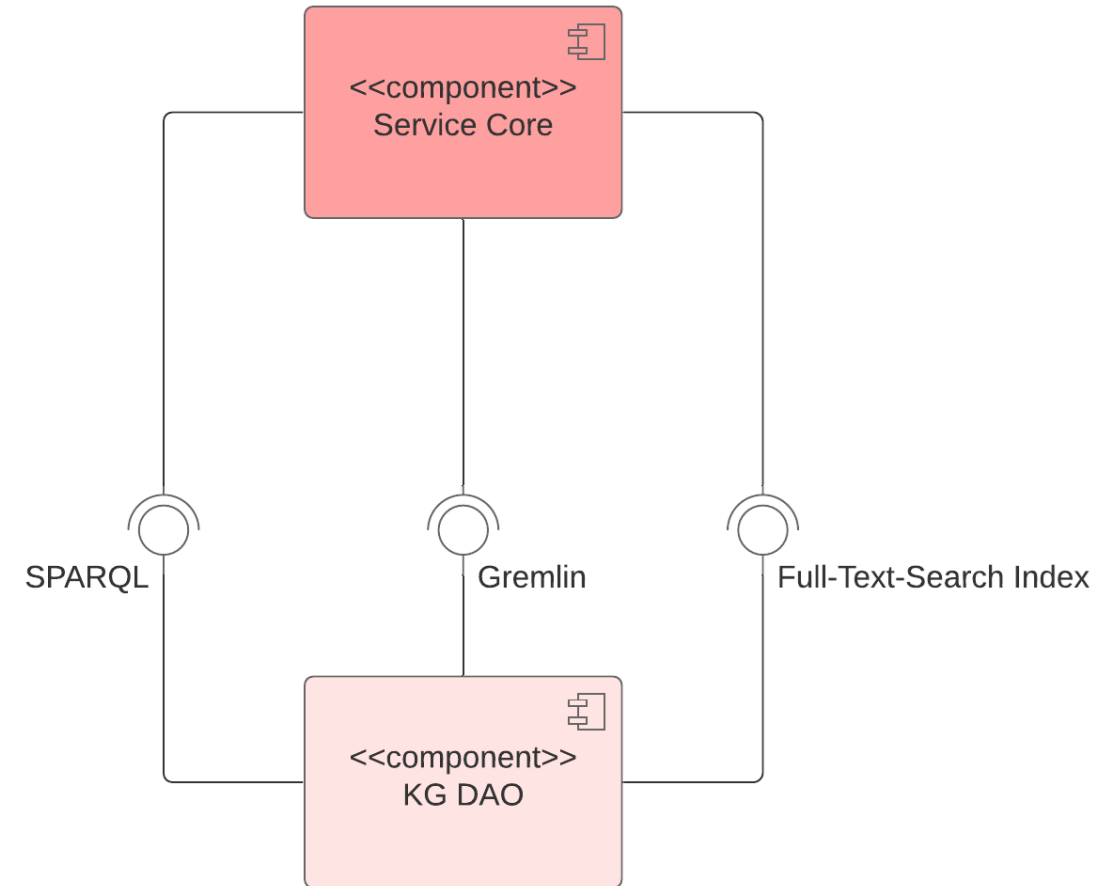
# Semantic Storage Abstraction

## Challenge:

- SPARQL not well suited for some graph algorithms
  - make use of property graphs, Gremlin query language being one option
- No standardized SPARQL feature for full-text searches

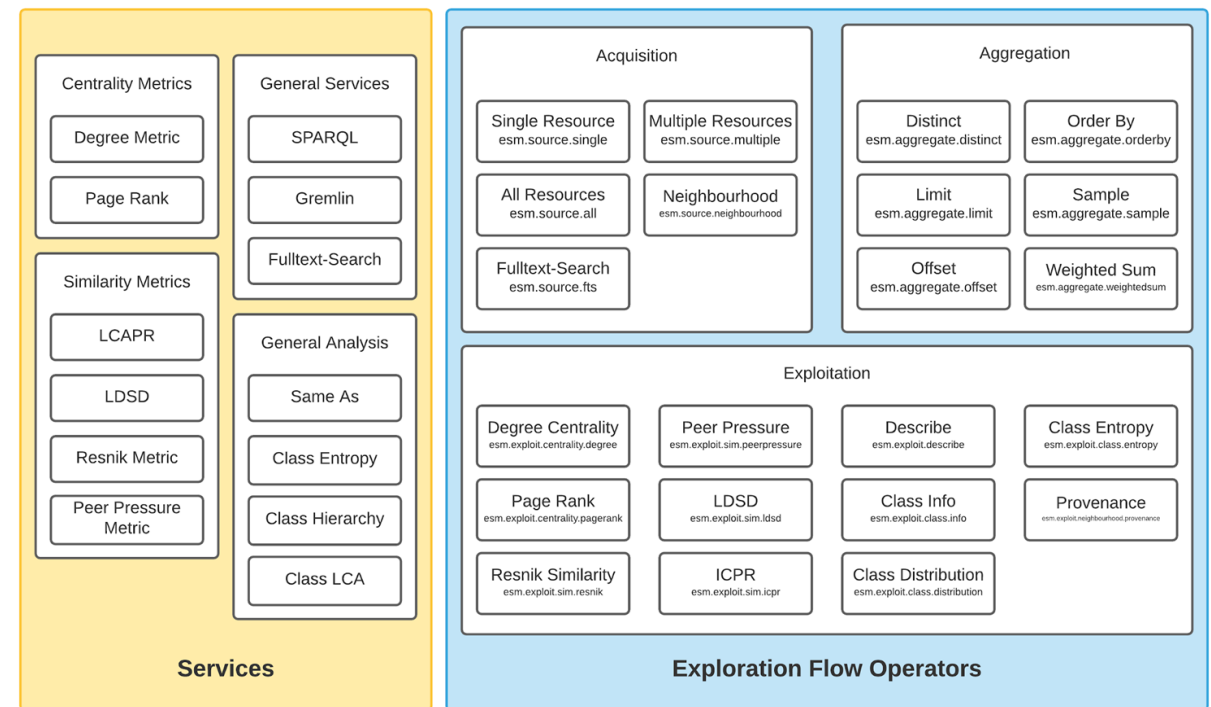
=> abstraction of storage solution with three interfaces:

1. SPARQL
2. Gremlin
3. Full-Text-Search Index



# ES Microservice - Analytical Pipeline

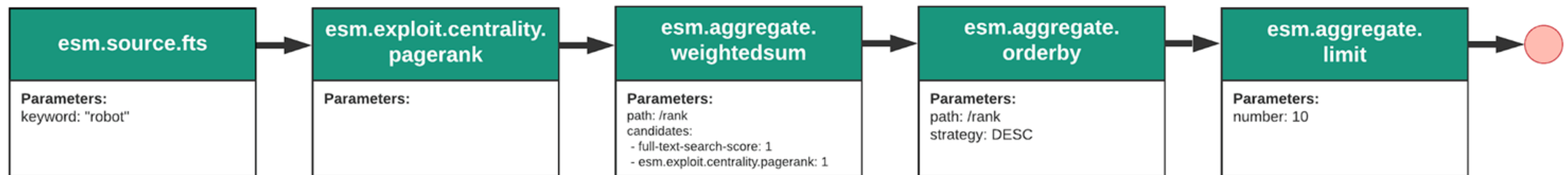
- analytical services analyze the (semantic) structure of a knowledge graph
  - can make use of:
    - i. SPARQL
    - ii. Gremlin
    - iii. Full-Text-Search Index
- new services can be registered
- processor is building a pipeline based on the specified dependencies of an analytical service



# ES Microservice - Exploration Flow

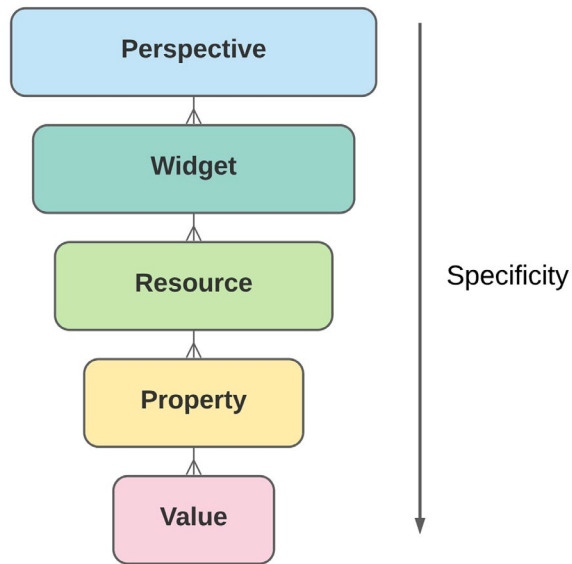
- flow = a sequence of registered operators
- operator = execution of code with well-defined purpose
  - can make use of:
    - SPARQL, Gremlin, Full-Text-Search Index
    - precomputed analytical services (e.g. page rank, Linked Data Semantic Distance, etc.)

*Simple flow for a keyword search:*



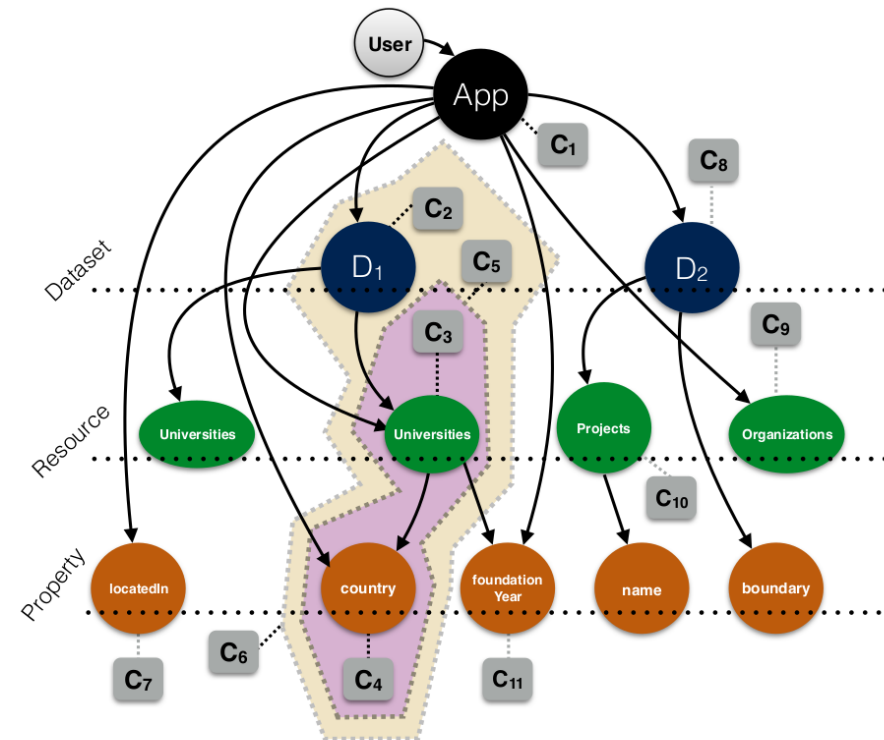
# ES Web Interface

- based on the research of Linked Data Reactor
- introduces the concept of *Scopes* and *Configurations*



Linked Data Reactor Scopes

- algorithm selects the proper *Configuration* based on *Scope*



Linked Data Reactor Hypergraph

# OntoTrans ESS Features

- Keyword search
- Customized search results categorization
- Info-box
- Ontology-based exploration
- Recommendation of related entities
- Class hierarchy
- Statistical information
- User browsing history
- User role specialization
- Multilinguality
- SPARQL query page for advanced analytics