Using SANSA Stack on a 38 Billion Triple Ethereum Blockchain Dataset

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Semantic Analytics Stack

SANSA

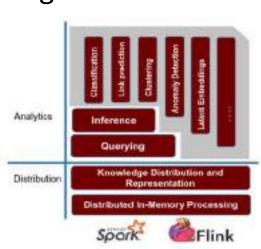
SANSA

 Its core is a processing data flow engine that provides data distribution, and fault tolerance for distributed computations over RDF large-scale datasets.

SANSA includes several libraries for creating applications:

applications:

- Read / Write RDF / OWL library
- Querying library
- Inference library
- ML- Machine Learning library



Motivation

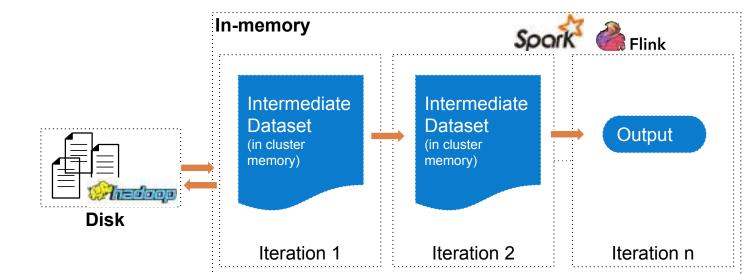
Amount and size of structured data sets (including RDF data) is growing



 Hadoop ecosystem has become a standard for Big Data applications → use this infrastructure for Semantic Web as well

Distributed In-memory Computing

- Data distributed over nodes in cluster
- Data kept in memory and processed in parallel
- Apache Spark & Flink are very popular frameworks allowing iterative workflows

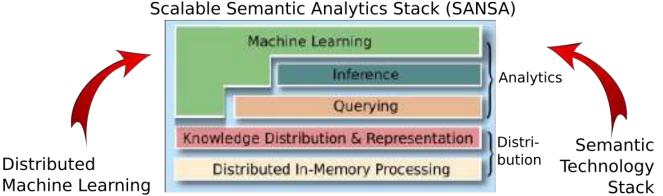


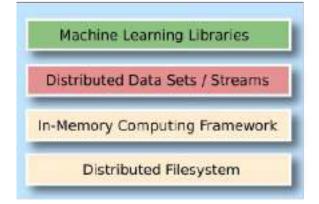
Why Distributed RDF Data Processing?

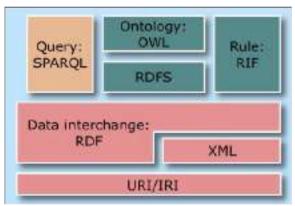
Tasks that are hard to solve on single machines (>1 TB memory consumption):

- Querying and processing LinkedGeoData
- Dataset statistics and quality assessment of the LOD Cloud
- Vandalism and outlier detection in Wikidata
- Inference on life science data (e.g. UniProt, EggNOG, StringDB)
- Outlier detection in DBpedia data
- **Clustering** of user-logs of the Big Data Europe integrator platform for the creation of user profiles
- Large-scale enrichment and link prediction for e.g.

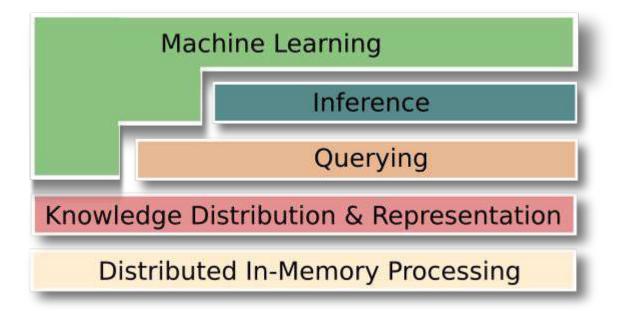
SANSA Stack Vision



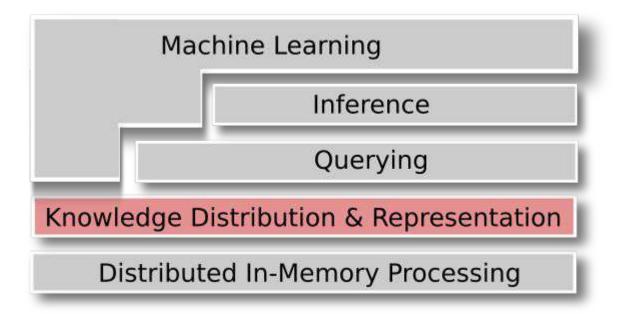




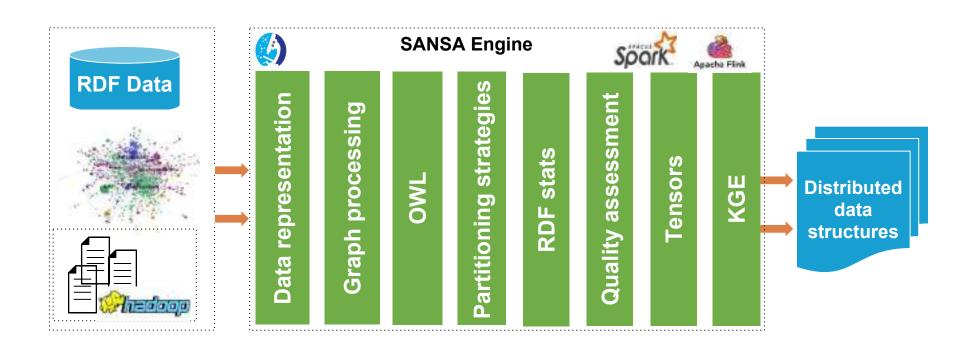
SANSA Layers



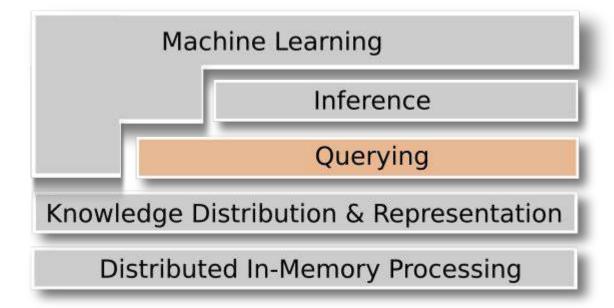
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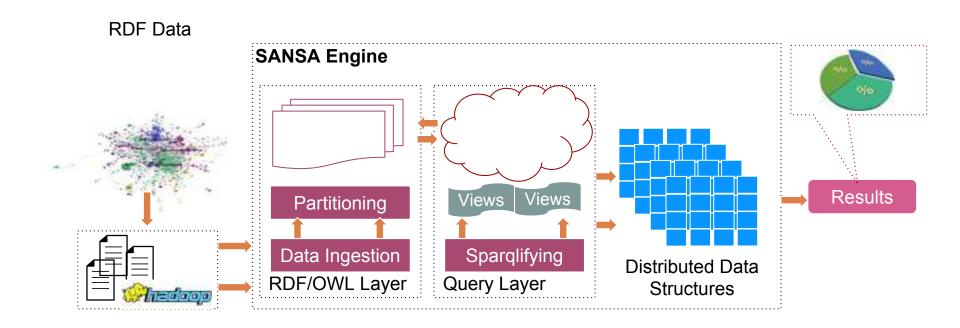
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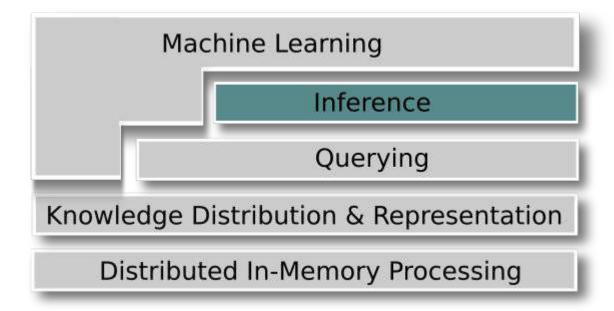
Query Layer



Querying via SPARQL & Partitioning



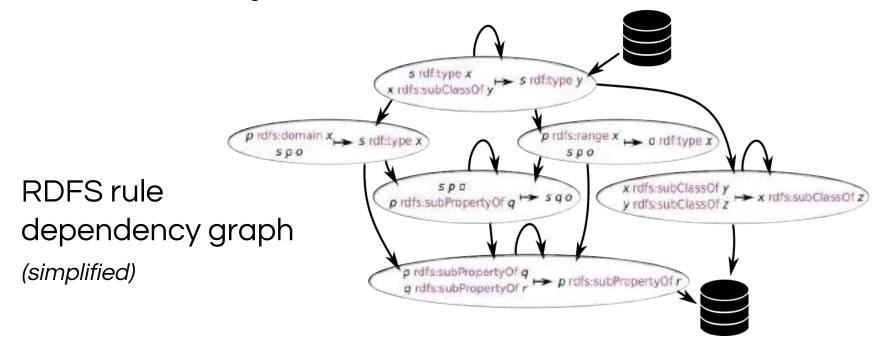
Inference Layer



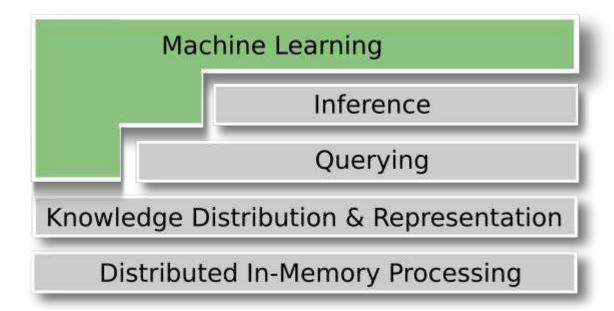
Inference Layer

- W3C Standards for Modelling: RDFS and OWL fragments
- Parallel in-memory inference via rule-based forward chaining
- Beyond state of the art: dynamically build a rule dependency graph for a rule set
 - → Adjustable performance/expressivity tradeoff
 - → Allows domain-specific customisation

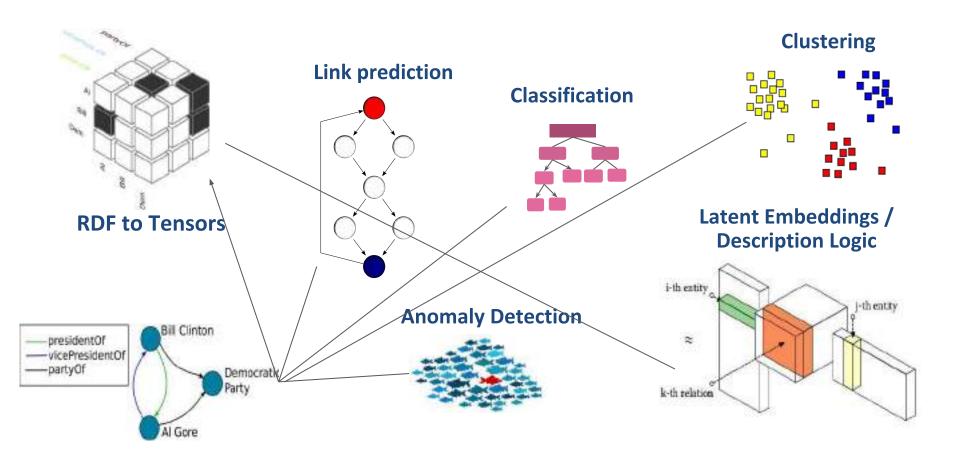
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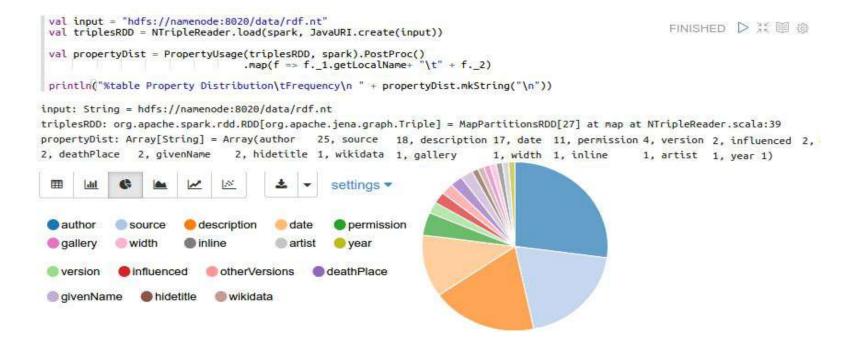
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Interactive SANSA in the Browser SANSA Notebooks



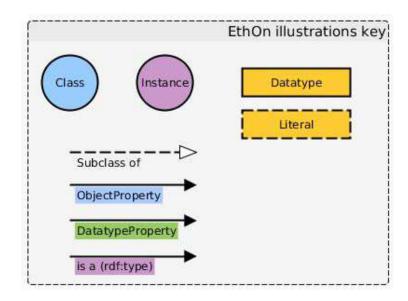
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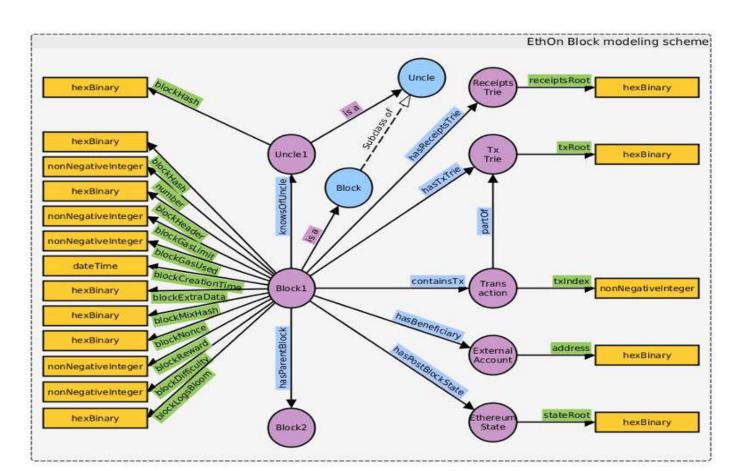
- EthOn is an Ethereum ontology
- Short and clear descriptions of Ethereum and BlockChain terms
- Smart and self-explanatory data
- Consistency of modeled aspects of blockchain data via reasoning
- Ethereum reference, glossary, learning resource
- Semantically annotate content provided by Ethereum based tools and dApps

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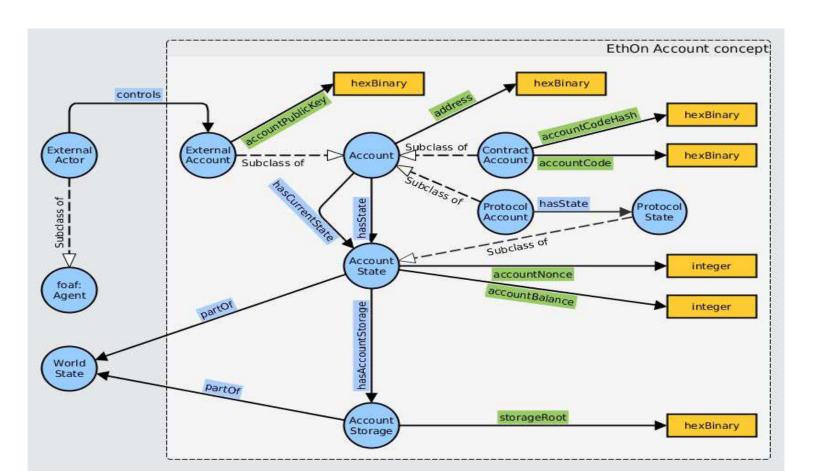
- Consensus on concepts e.g.
 - Blocks
 - Messages
 - Transactions
 - Contracts
- Vowl illustration key =>



EthOn: Block



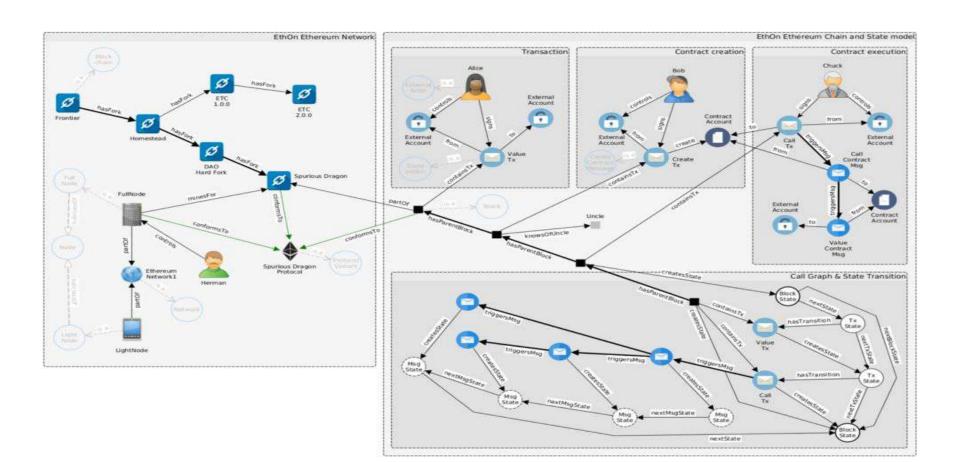
EthOn: Account



EthOn: Other concepts

- Message, Transaction Receipt and Log concepts
- State Transition concept and modeling scheme
- Network concept and modeling scheme

What can be done with EthOn?



EthOn Data

Etherium generates large amounts of data:

- Protocol level
- Application level
- Account Transactions
- Account Interactions
- Smart Contract Deployments

e.g. More than 1 million transactions are processed daily on the Ethereum network

Blockchain analytics for Ethereum

Alethio

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Alethio + SANSA

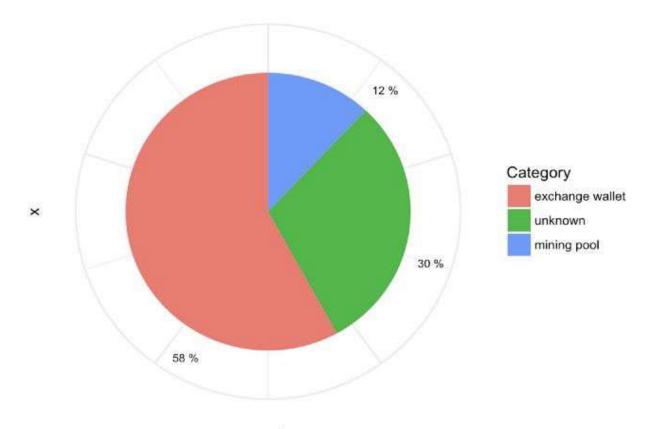
- SANSA notebooks were used to process 38 billion triple Ethereum data
- The data is filtered and queried in real time
- Characterize movements between groups of Ethereum accounts and aggregate flows over history of blockchain
- RDF represented as a graph using GraphX

Hubs and Authorities in EthOn using SANSA

- Analysis of value transaction network graph using
 - 1) Connected Components
 - 2) Page Rank

- Authorities
 - Accounts which pay out to a large crowd of addresses, with high volume,
- Hubs
 - Receive extensive ETH flow into their accounts.

Page Rank



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Result

- Frequently paying out to certain exchanges main wallets with a fixed, large value.
- Frequently receiving funds from the same exchange main wallets, and paying out to various token contracts
- Frequently receiving funds from a group of "miner" accounts, with "proxy" accounts in between, which clean out their received ETH within a short time window.

Conclusion

- SANSA provides a scalable solution for reading and querying large scale RDF data in real time
- SANSA provides RDF-compatibility with Machine Learning libraries in Spark and Flink.
- SANSA is looking further to develop Industrial pilot applications
 - Interesting scientific research
 - Industrial adaptation



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