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# **SPOTLIGHT – Automatic annotation of text with Linked Open Data resources for Humanities**

## **Motivation**

- Linked Open Data cloud as knowledge source
- Machine-readable **semantic** data

Name variation problem

Name ambiguity problem





- Controlled vocabularies
- Usage for **automatic annotation**

#### Specific task

Annotation of natural language texts with person data from GND (Gemeinsame Normdatei)



Challenges



| Confidence: | Language: English     | * |
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|             | SELECT TYPES ANNOTATE |   |

## **Annotation Technology**

- Adaption of *DBpedia Spotlight* with information from Wikipedia/DBpedia
- Extension for other knowledge bases needed  $\bullet$
- Spotlight requires three basic types of information about every entity:
  - **URI**: Linked Data (LD) identifier for linking ullet
  - Surface form: representation of the entity found in text





Which technologies will make the "Energiewende" succeed? How do we protect our lead in innovation in international competition? One possible answer can be provided by Germany's largest solar power storage park. Solar cells, batteries, and inverters are operated together with the purpose of storing solar electricity and making it available at any time. On the occasion of the Baden-Württemberg Sustainability Days, the KIT today commissioned the 1-MW facility together with its SolarWatt and Kostal Solar Electric partners.

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Web demo of *DBpedia Spotlight* 

#### **Data Acquisition Workflow**



Workflow for data creation from Linked Open Data cloud to annotation task



2. Querying of relevant triples with SPARQL

- **Context:** words occurring in text surrounding the surface form ullet
- The statistical backend additionally considers for every entity: significance, likeliness of its names, likeliness of specific context



Possible fields with information for entities in GND person data



### 3. Stemming/counting records with *pignlproc*/Apache Pig



5. Deployment on server for text annotation (Rest Interface)

## Potential

- Data from the Linked Open Data cloud enhances knowledge in sparse domains of research, where information may not pass the relevance criteria of Wikipedia.
- Works hand in hand with *domain experts*, giving *suggestions* for annotations
- Reusable in every scientific field, with knowledge bases published with LD principles

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