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- Consultant in Bouvet since 2007
 - focus on information architecture and semantics
- Worked with semantic technologies since 1999
 - mostly with Topic Maps
 - co-founder of Ontopia, later CTO
 - editor of several Topic Maps ISO standards 2001-
 - co-chair of TMRA conference 2006-2011
 - developed several key Topic Maps technologies
 - consultant in a number of Topic Maps projects
- Published a book on XML on Prentice-Hall
- Implemented Unicode support in the Opera web browser



My role on the project

- The overall architecture is the brainchild of Axel Borge
- SDshare came from an idea by Graham Moore
- I only contributed parts of the design
 - and some parts of the implementation
- Don't actually know the whole system



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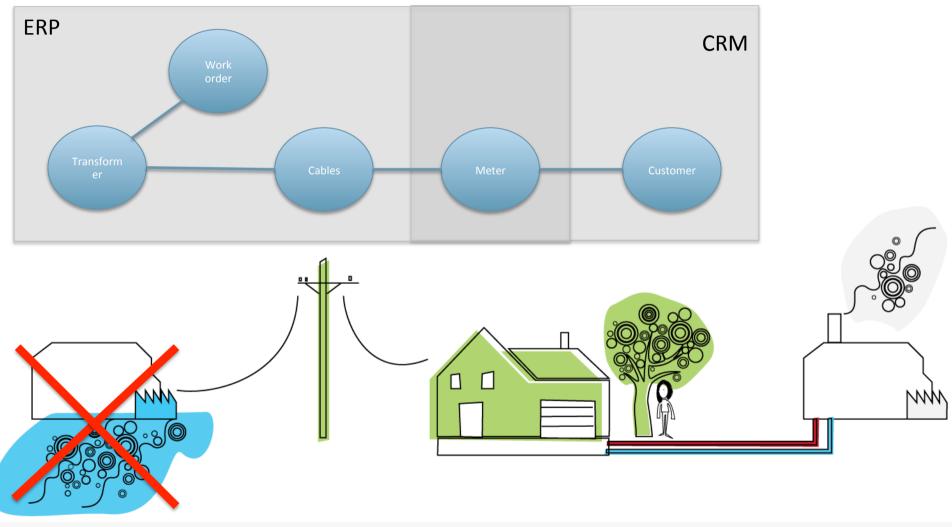


- Norwegian energy company
 - founded 1898
 - 53% owned by the city of Oslo
 - responsible for energy grid around Oslo
 - 1.4 million customers
- A conglomerate of companies
 - Nett (electricity grid)
 - Fjernvarme (remote heating)
 - Produksjon (power generation)
 - Venture

— ...



What if...?



How hard can it be?

- Design a single data model for the enterprise
- Appoint a master for each type of information
 - get rid of duplicate systems, convert old data
- Synchronize data into systems which need copies



Information utopia

- Reaching agreement is slow
 - slow is expensive
- Migrating to single masters is slow
 - new systems get added faster than you can replace the old
- This is a long and hard slog
 - but it's not necessary for search purposes



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- An archive system, really
- Generally, archive systems are glorified trash cans
 - putting it in the archive effectively means hiding it
- Because archives are not important, are they?
- Except, when you need that contract from 1937 about the right to build a power line across...





■ Frykter at skapene er stjålet

Nav har mistet tre arkivskap med sensitive personopplysninger

Dokumenter og opplysninger fra 130 saker som enten er under etterforskning for trygdesvindel eller er henlagt, er borte.

Arild Færaas

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- Nav blåste sensitivinformasjon på nett
- Nav roter bort papirer

Tre arkivskap med mapper om 130 personer er borte. Det inneholder ifølge Nav opplysninger som ligger til grunn for behandling og utbetaling fra Nav, notater, korrespondanse med brukeren, i tillegg til vurderinger og vedtak. De forsvant i forbindelse med flytting på sensommeren i fjor.

② På forsiden akkurat nå

Siste nytt

20:34 - Uakseptabel ungdomsledighet i Hellas

0:30 Clinton tror på snarlig løsning i Egypt-strid

20:19 Derfor eksisterer fenomenet skuddår

19:41 Tre elever døde etter skyting i Ohio

19:40 Tysk seriemorder dømt til livsvarig fengsel

lannonse



Problems with archives

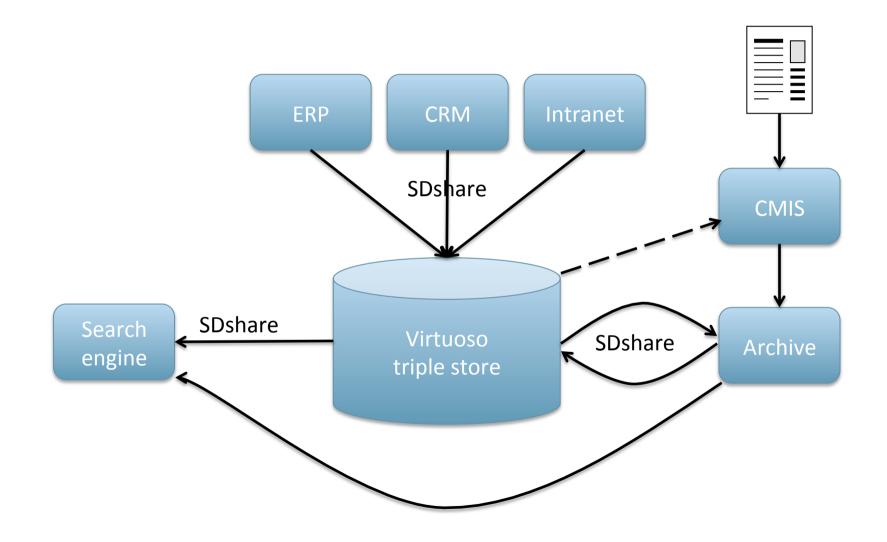
- Poor metadata, because nobody bothers to enter it properly
 - yet, much of the metadata exists in the user context
- Not used by anybody
 - strange, separate system with poor interface
 - (and the metadata is poor, too)
- Contains only documents
 - not connected to anything else

Our goals

- Collect metadata automatically, from context
- Connect to context from enterprise systems
- Enrich with background knowledge
- Present it in an attractive, intuitive way
- Long term:
 - become a major part of the intranet
 - become the internal search solution



High-level architecture

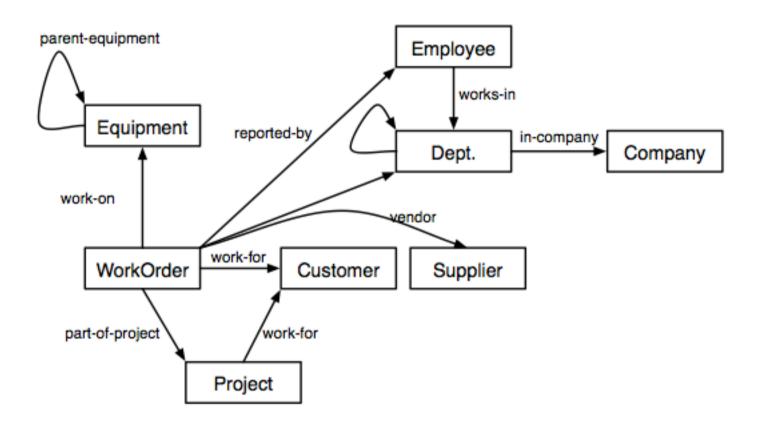




Main principle of data extraction

- No canonical model!
- Instead, data reflects model of source system
- One ontology per source system
 - subtyped from core ontology where possible
- Vastly simplifies data extraction
 - for search purposes it loses us nothing
 - and translation is easier once the data is in the triple store

Simplified core ontology

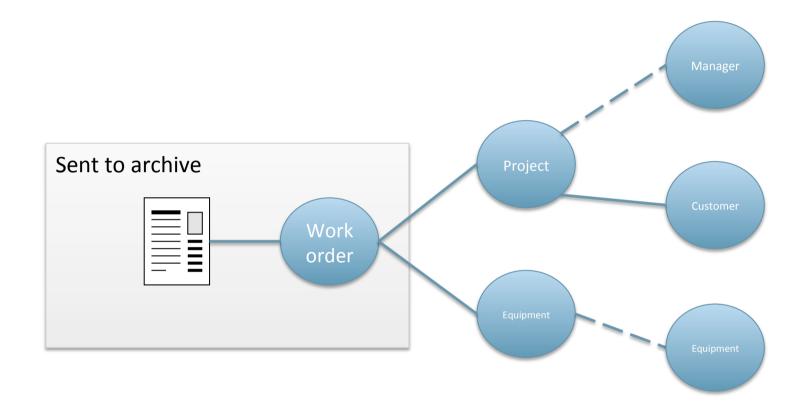




When archiving

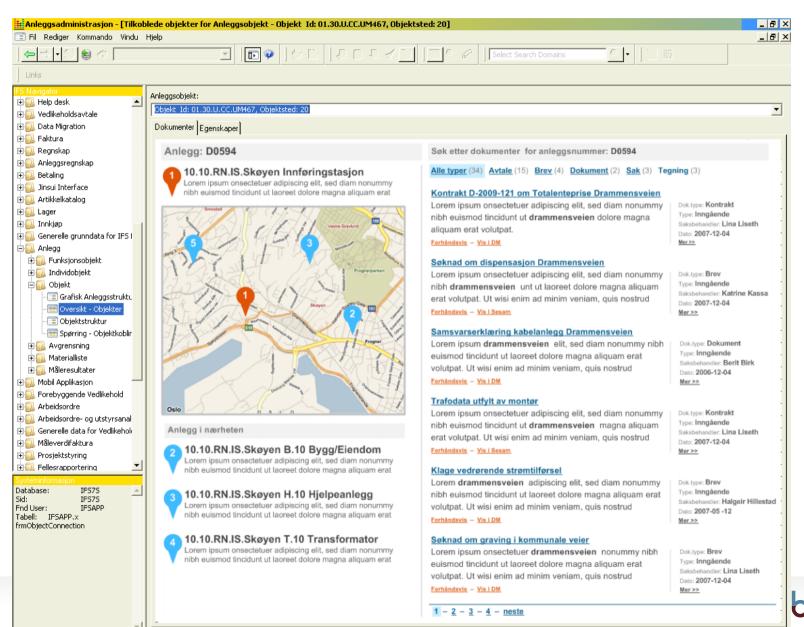
- The user works on the document in some system
 - ERP, CRM, whatever
- This system knows the context
 - what user, project, equipment, etc is involved
- This information is passed to the CMIS server
 - it uses already gathered information from the triple store to attach more metadata

Auto-tagging





Showing context in the ERP system

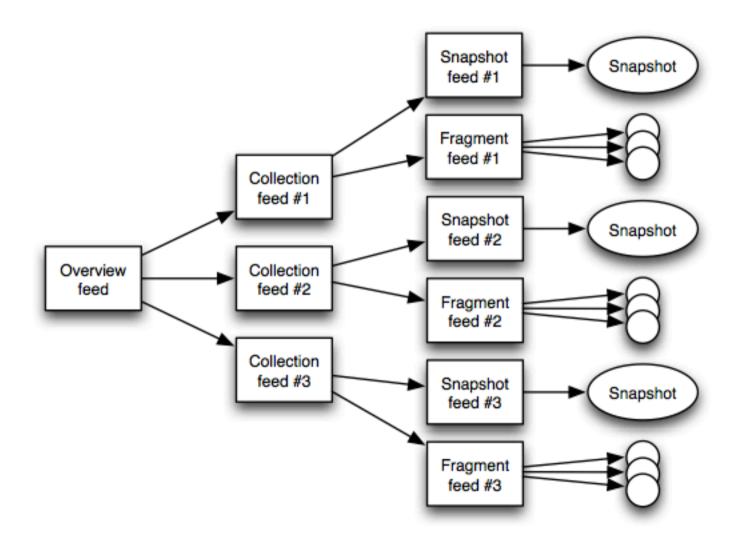


The data integration

- All data transport done by SDshare
- A simple Atom-based specification for synchronizing RDF data
 - http://www.sdshare.org
- Provides two main features
 - snapshot of the data
 - fragments for each updated resource



SDshare service structure



Typical usage of SDshare

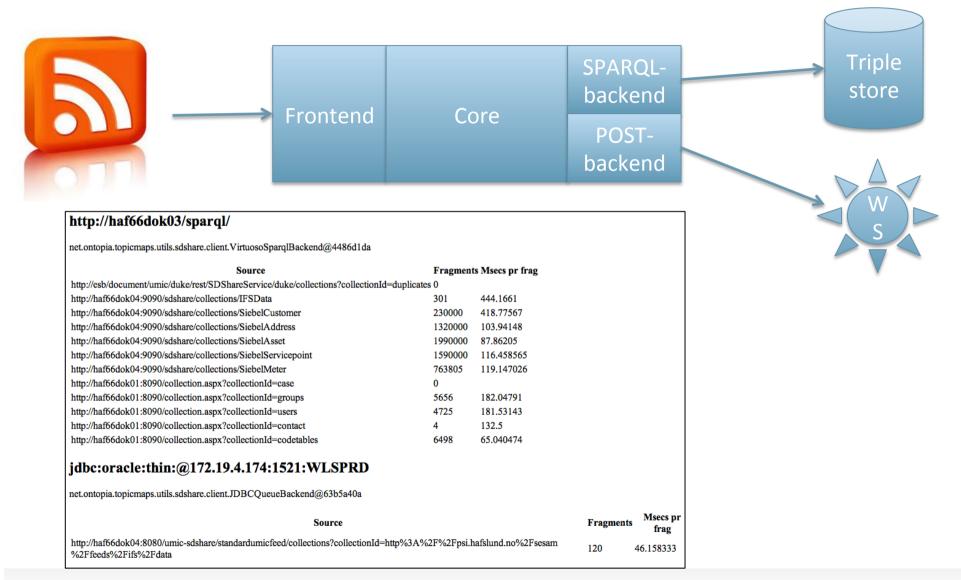
- Client downloads snapshot
 - client now has complete data set
- Client polls fragment feed
 - each time asking for new fragments since last check
 - client keeps track of time of last check
 - fragments are applied to data, keeping them in sync



Implementing the fragment feed

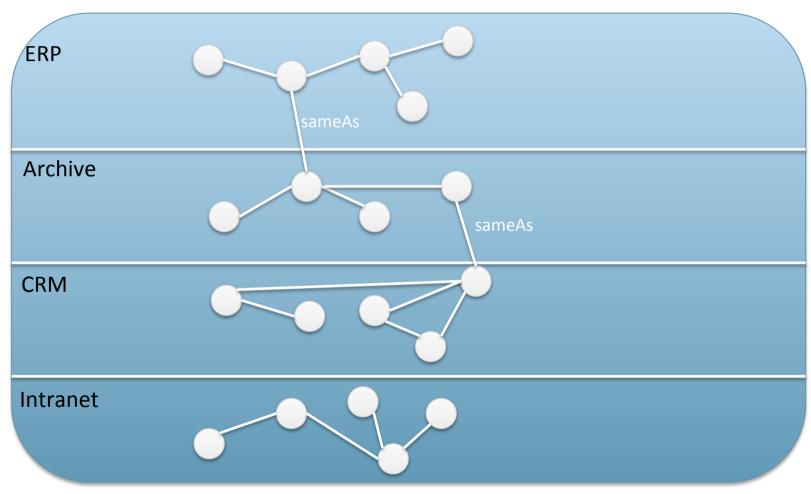
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select objid, objtype, change_time
from history log
                                   <atom>
where change time > :since:
                                    <title>Fragments for ...</title>
order by change time asc
                                    <entry>
                                     <title>Change to 34121</title>
                                     <link rel=fragment href="..."/>
                                     <sdshare:resource>http://...</sdshare:resource>
                                     <updated>2012-09-06T08:22:23</updated>
                                    </entry>
                                   <entry>
                                     <title>Change to 94857</title>
                                     <link rel=fragment href="..."/>;
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                                    </entry>
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The SDshare client





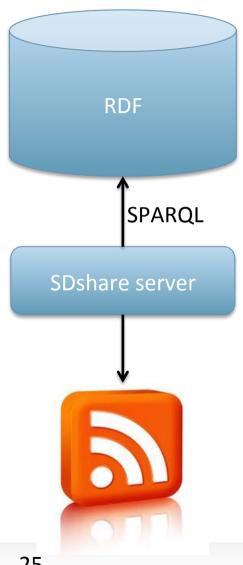
Data structure in triple store



Triple store



Getting data out of the triple store



- Set up SPARQL queries to extract the data
- Server does the rest
- Queries can be configured to produce
 - any subset of data
 - data in any shape

Contacts into the archive

- We want some resources in the triple store to be written into the archive as "contacts"
 - need to select which resources to include
 - must also transform from source data model
- How to achieve without hard-wiring anything?



Contacts solution

- Create a generic archive object writer
 - type of RDF resource specifies type of object to create
 - name of RDF property (within namespace) specifies which property to set
- Set up RDF mapping from source data
 - type1 maps-to type2
 - prop1 maps-to prop2
 - only mapped types/properties included
- Use SPARQL to
 - create SDshare feed
 - do data translation with CONSTRUCT query

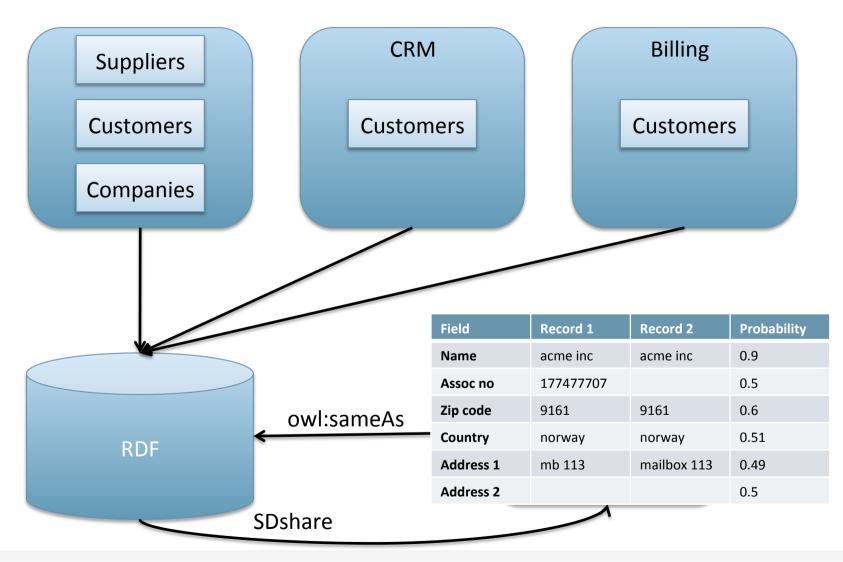


Access control

- Implemented by search engine
 - on login a SPARQL query lists user's access control group memberships
 - search engine uses this to filter search results
 - user only sees what they have access rights to
- In some cases, complex access rules are run to resolve ACLs before loading into triple store



Duplicate suppression





Properties of the system

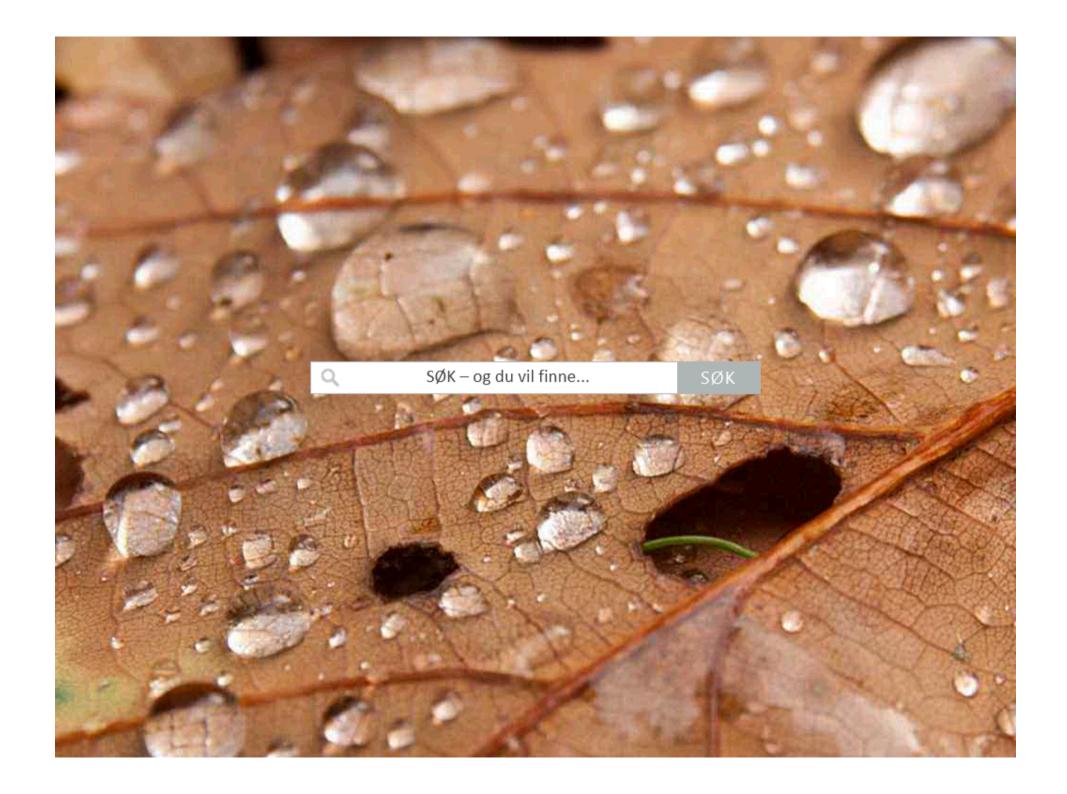
- Very little state
 - most components are stateless (or have little state)
- Idempotent
 - applying a fragment 1 or many times: same result
- Clear and reload
 - can delete everything and reload at any time
- Uniform integration approach
 - everything is done the same way
- Really simple integration
 - setting up a data source is generally very easy
- Adding integrations is easy
 - doesn't impact other integrations in any way

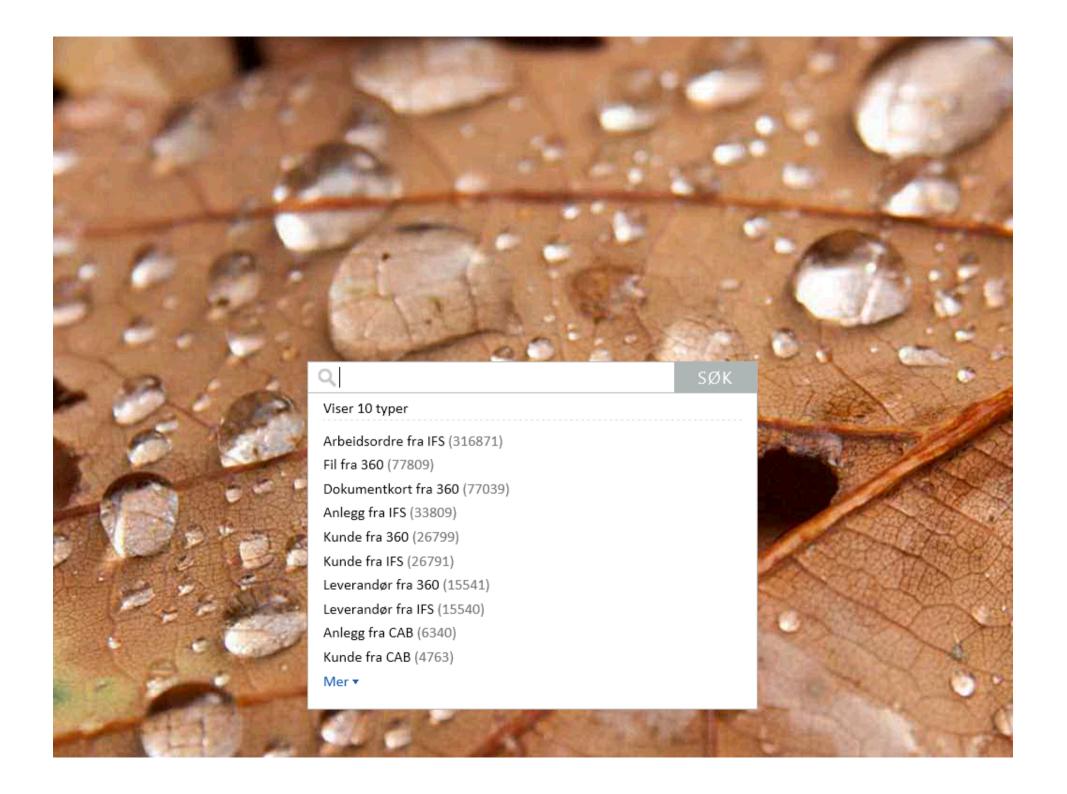


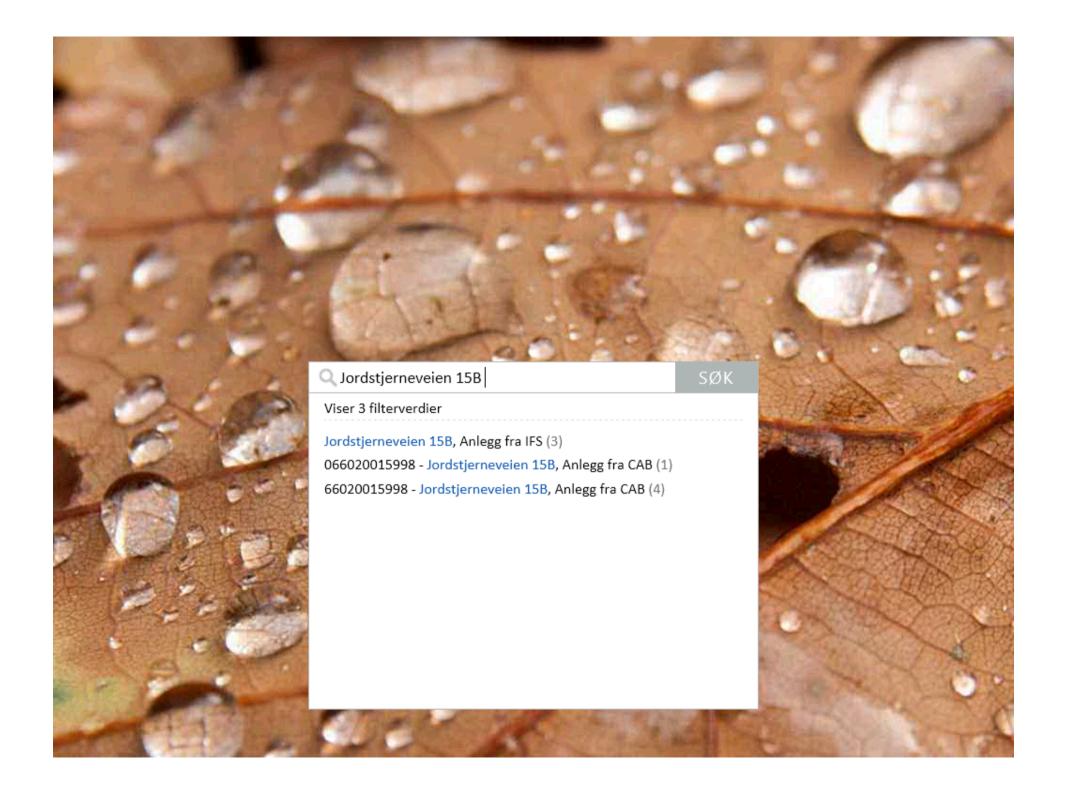
Data volumes

Graph	Statements
IFS data	5,417,260
Public 360 data	3,725,963
GeoNIS data	44,242
Tieto CAB data	138,521,810
Hummingbird 1	32,619,140
Hummingbird 2	165,671,179
Hummingbird 3	192,930,188
Hummingbird 4	48,623,178
Address data	2,415,315
Siebel data	36,117,786
Duke links	4,858
Total	626,090,919









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Fil fra 360 (11)

Dokumentkort fra 360 (10)



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Conclusion



How did it work out?

- RDF is great for information integration
- SDshare approach makes things even easier
- CMIS was not a success
 - Apache server immature, a real pain
- The archive product was a pain, too
 - lots of problems of various kinds
- Deduplication worked well
 - we see many uses for it in other contexts
- Getting access to data is sloooow
 - both at database level, and getting data into systems



My current project

- Integrate
 - Identity management system (IDM)
 - EPiServer CMS
 - Sharepoint
- starting August 13, ending November 1
- Right now we have
 - IDM
 - EPiServer CMS
 - Regjeringen.no
 - Sharepoint (lacking data)
 - ActiveDirectory (waiting for IT to open port)

Questions?

Have written a paper on the project, available on request. Looking for somewhere to publish it. Tips welcome.

