

# INF3580 – Semantic Technologies – Spring 2010

## Lecture 14: Presenting Relational Databases as RDF

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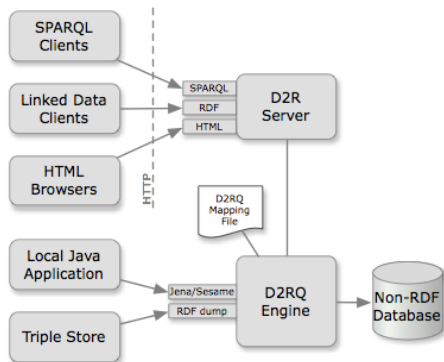
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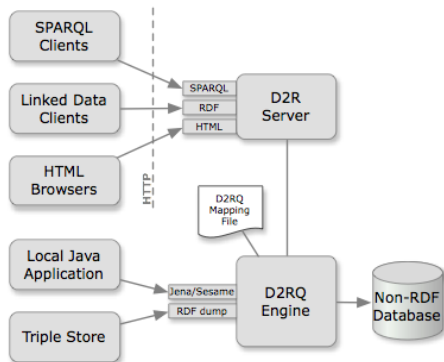
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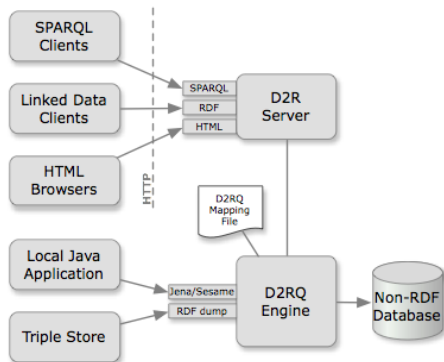
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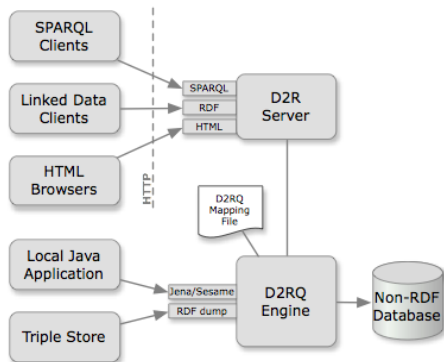
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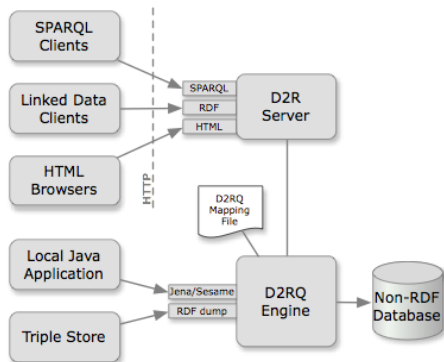
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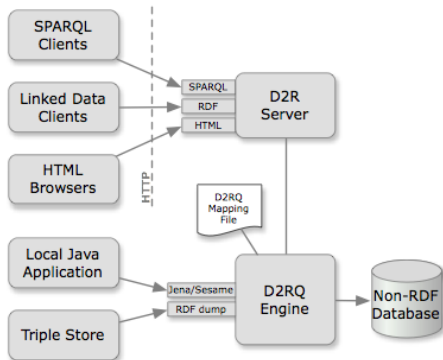
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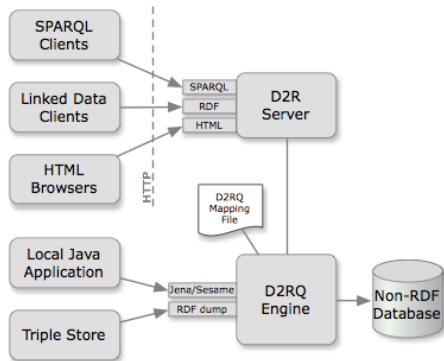
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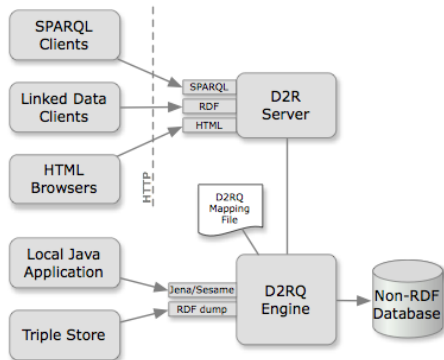
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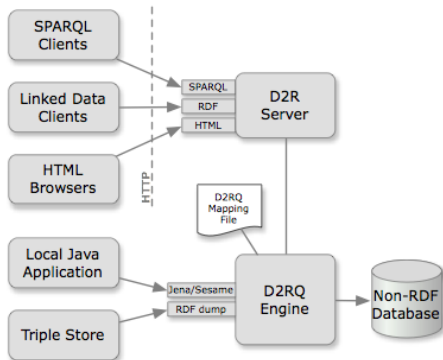
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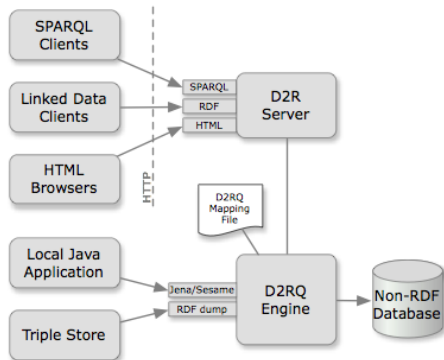
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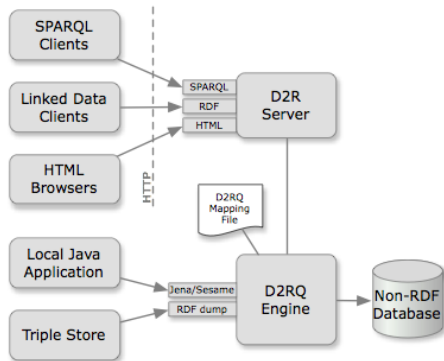
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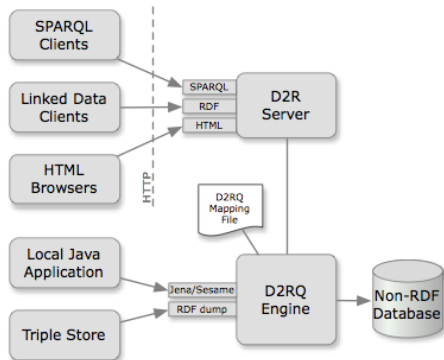
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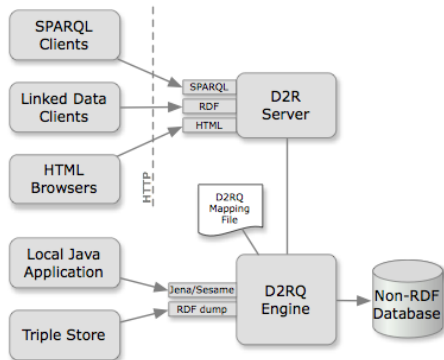
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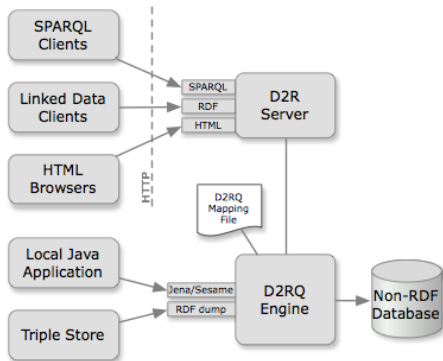
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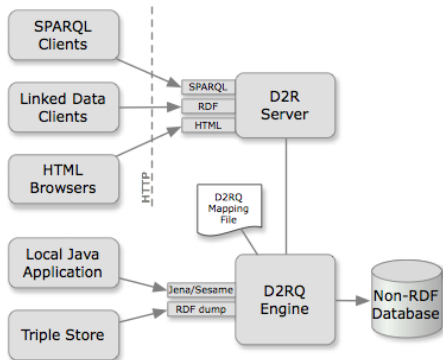
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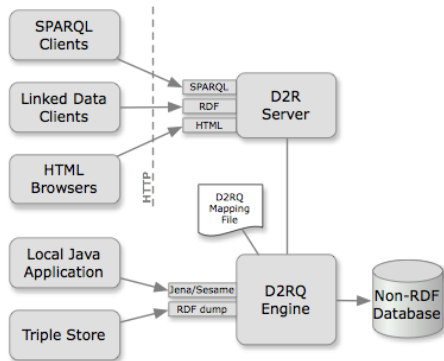
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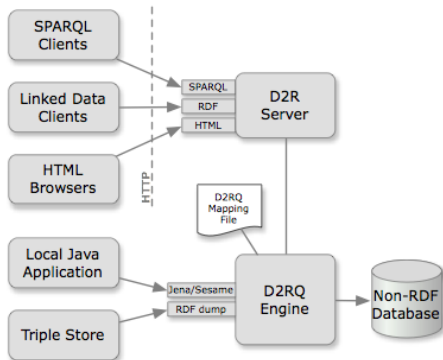
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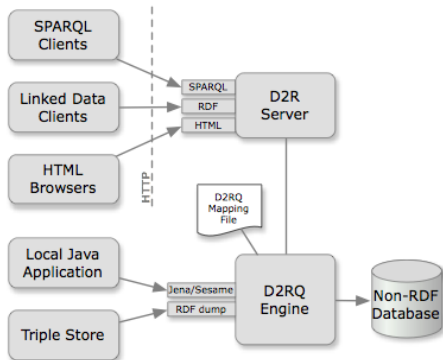
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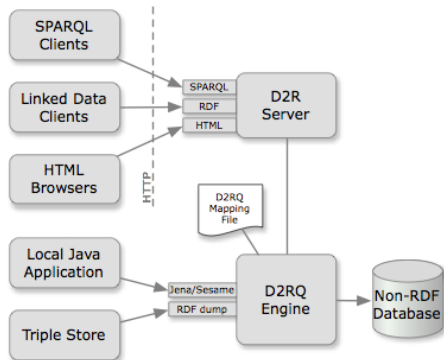
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## Generated RDF for Automatic Mapping

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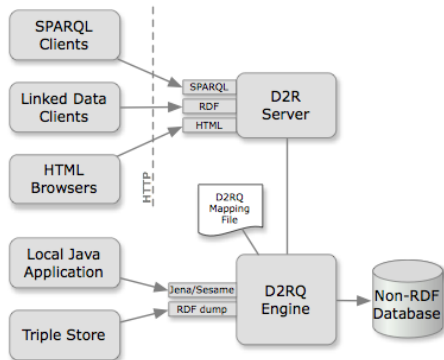


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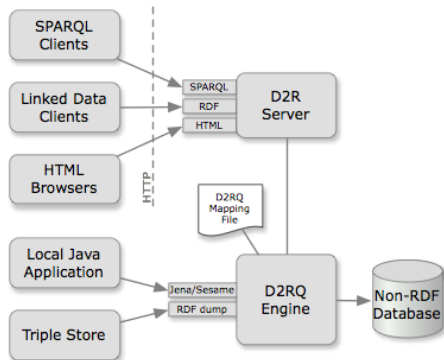
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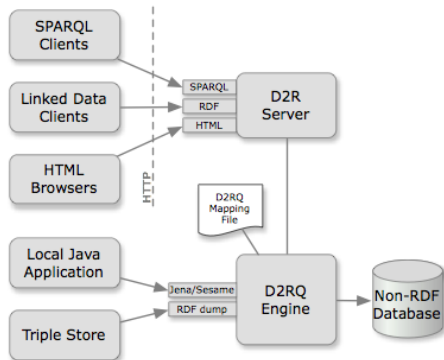
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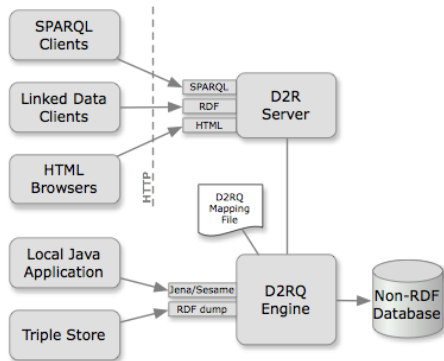
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