



First European i2b2 Academic User Meeting

# IDRT: Platform Architecture And Tools to Support The Re-use of Routine Clinical Data For Research

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# Introduction

## **Secondary use of routine clinical data provides a big chance for medical research:**

### **To support clinical trials**

- accurate determination and exploitation of the number of study patients through feasibility analysis and recruitment support
- optimize study design with retro perspective analysis
- re-use of routine data as a part of the study documentation

### **To support projects with third-party funding**

- e.g. Harvard hospitals (2005)<sup>1</sup>: 40% of the running projects use clinical warehouse data, received funding >130 million USD

### **Competitive advances**

- through exploitation of routine care data
- adequate infrastructure and access to data is necessary

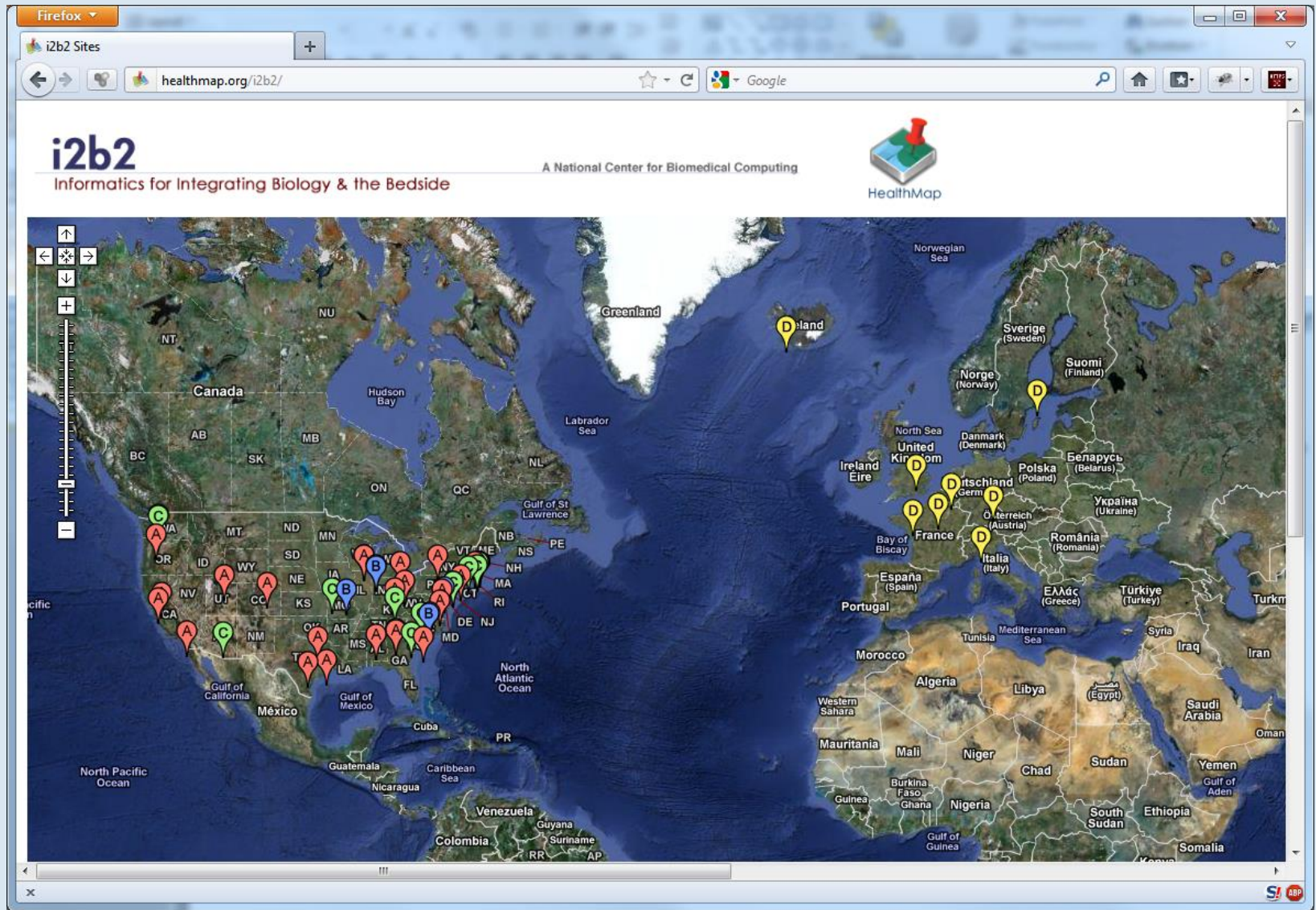
<sup>1</sup> Nalichowski R. Calculating the Benefits of a Research Patient Data Repository. Proc AMIA Symp. 2006;1044



# Introduction

## Short history of i2b2

- **i2b2 is the “open source variant” of the RPDR (Patient Research Data Registry)**
  - developed since 1999 at the Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH) and Partners Healthcare, Inc., which is in productive use since 2002
  - 2005: already 1073 users
  - used in several hospitals: MGH, BWH, FH, SRH, NWH
  
- **2004: request for applications by the NIH as part of their “Roadmap for National Centers for Biomedical Computing (NCBC)”**
  
- **Birth of i2b2 (Informatics for Integrating Biology and the Bedside): Application of i2b2 by I. Kohane (Harvard Medical School) and J. Glaser (CIO of Partners Healthcare)**  
=> received funding in 2005 as one of the NCBCs
  
- **Since 2008: i2b2 is available for download**
  
- **2010: second funding phase**



i2b2 Workbench for Erlangen

Lehrstuhl Status: ● i2b2

Query Name: C50...-3 - B-20 - @06:29:24

Reset Groups

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
Dates Occurs > 0x Exclude C50... Bösartige Neubildungen d	Dates Occurs > 0x Exclude 3 - Bildgebende Diagnostik	Dates Occurs > 0x Exclude 20 - 29 Jahre 30 - 39 Jahre 40 - 49 Jahre 50 - 59 Jahre
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Run Query Patient(s) returned: 2081

Timeline View Export Data Import Data

Create model for Timeline Render a Timeline

**time line** →

▼ Person\_#...\_Female\_56yrold

▼ C50...\_Bösartig...

▼ 3\_-\_Bildgebende...

▼ 50\_-\_59\_Jahre

▼ Person\_#...\_Female\_46yrold

▼ C50...\_Bösartig...

▼ 3\_-\_Bildgebende...

3-807: Native Magnetresonanztomographie der Mamma (OPS:3-807), 10-9-2007 12:00

Patient Set: Patient Set: 2081 Patients start: 111 increment: 10

## i2b2's difficulties from a user's point of view:

### **Installation & configuration**

- complex: although a comprehensive documentation exists, much can go wrong

### **Import of clinical data**

- no integrated support (except for data in i2b2 format)
- especially not for common standard formats (ODM, CSV, §21)

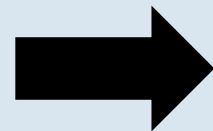
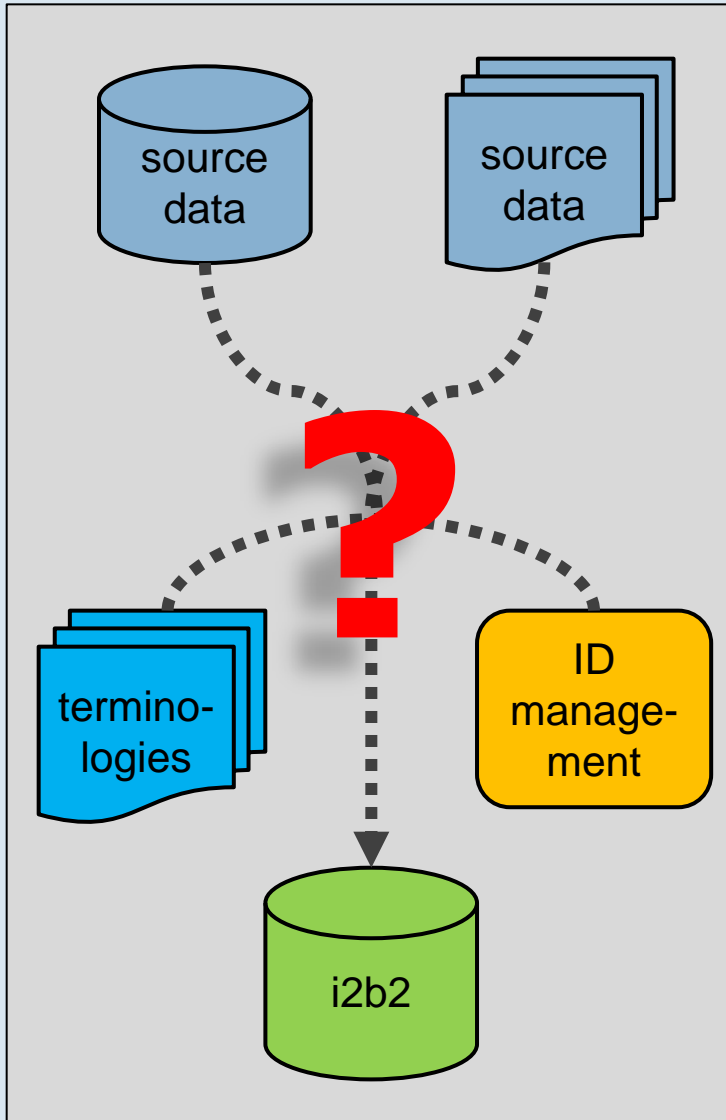
### **Import of German standard terminologies and non-standard terms**

- i2b2 demo data only contains some US standard terminologies
- import to i2b2 has to be re-invented always again, although:
  - standard terminologies already exist in all hospitals (supplied by DIMI: ICD, OPS, ...)
  - other standard formats (e.g. ODM, CSV) already include their metadata terms
 => why not develop a standard methodology to import those common terminologies?

### **Bearing German data protection and privacy in mind:**

- Standardized creation of pseudonyms and record linkage based on demographic data

# Goals





# Basic Workplan

## Installation & Administration



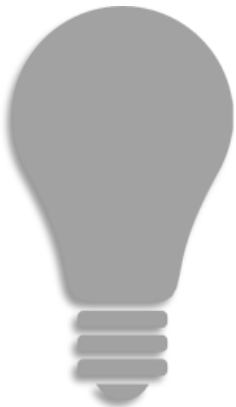
Improve i2b2 Wizard

## ETL for Common Data Formats



ODM, §21, CSV, SQL  
Easy IDRT Import Tool  
Flexible & powerful  
Talent Jobs

## Semantic Integration



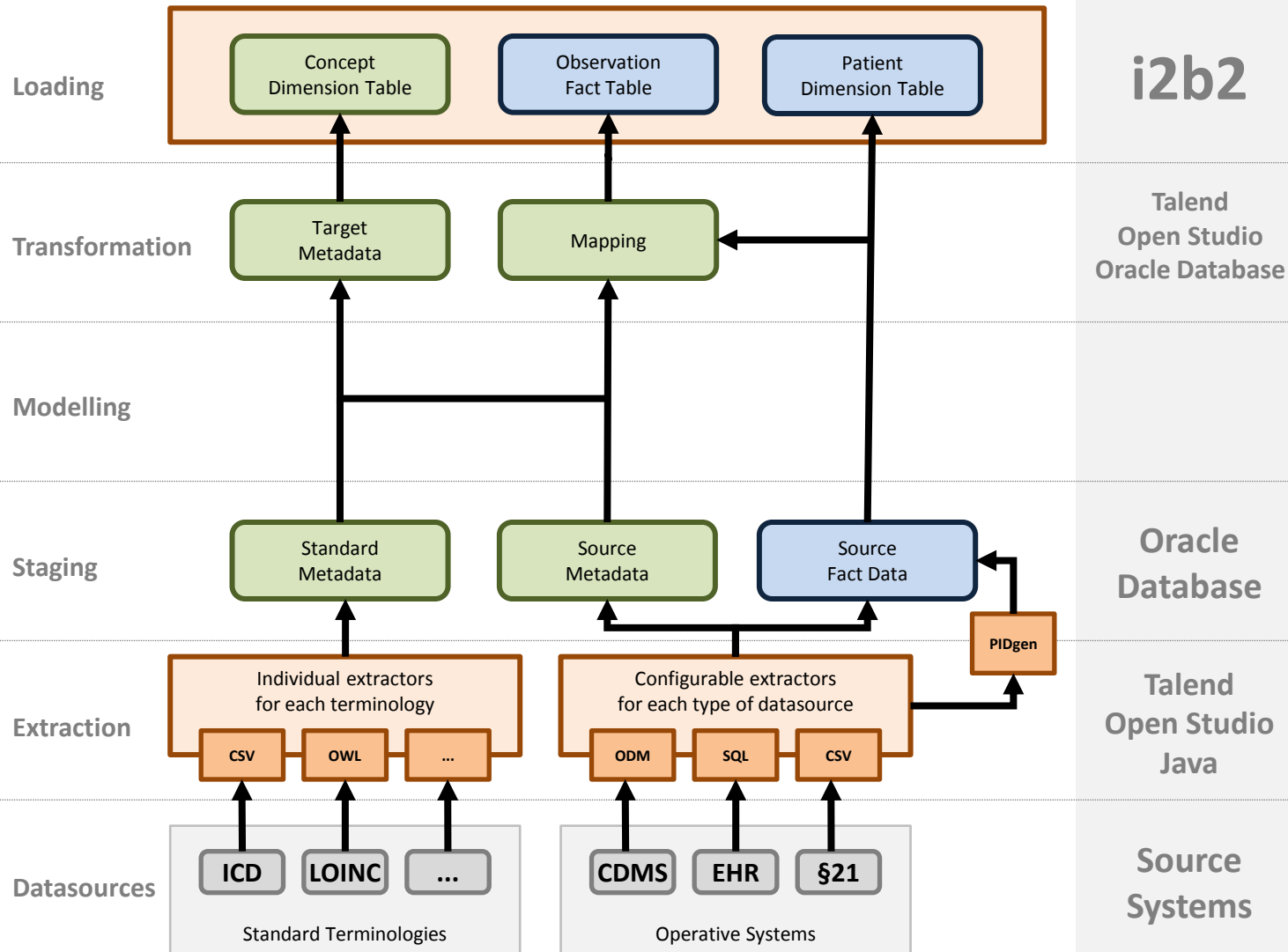
Provide standard terminologies for i2b2 and automatic mapping of data during import

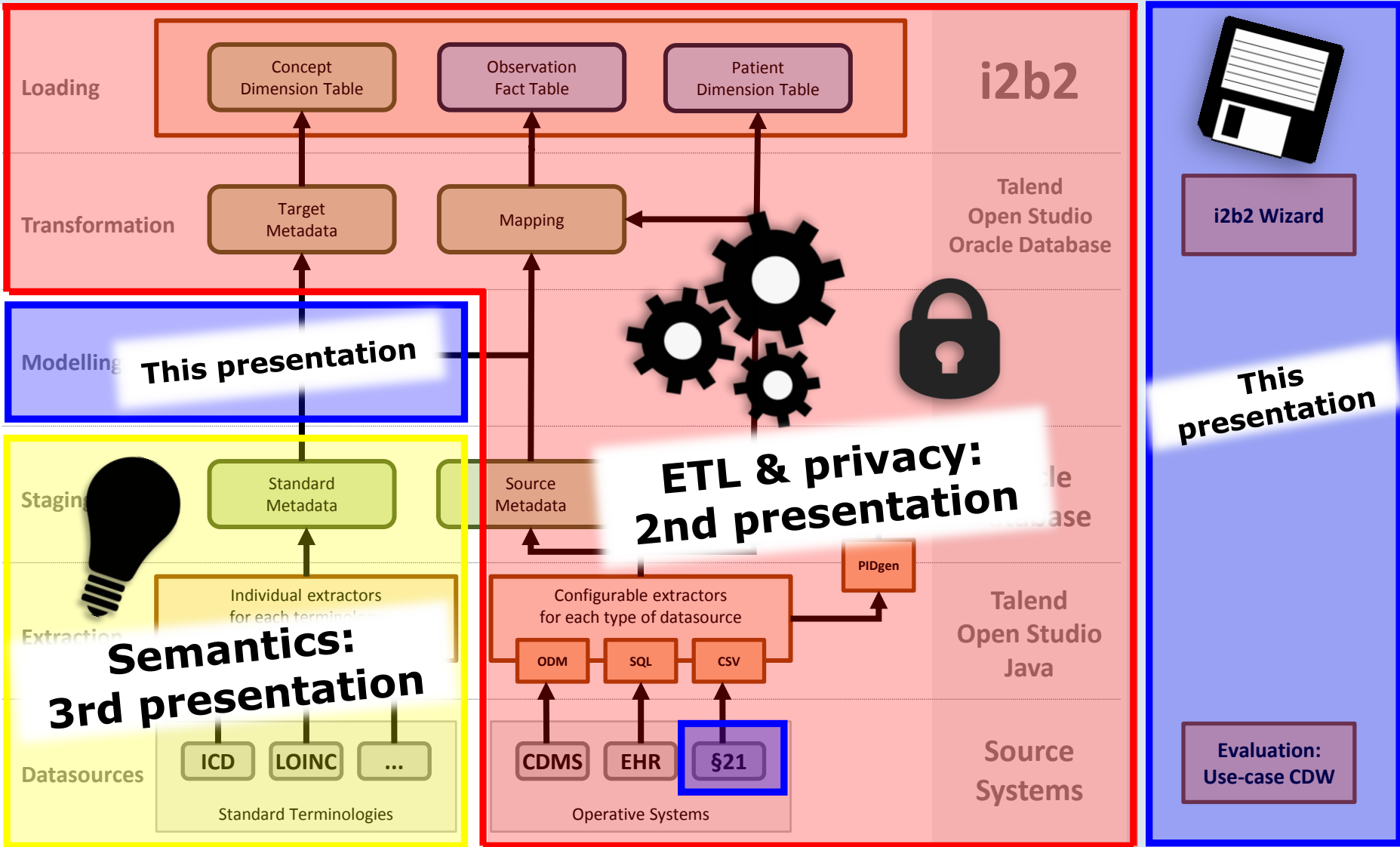
## Data Protection & Privacy



Integration of TMF  
PID-Generator

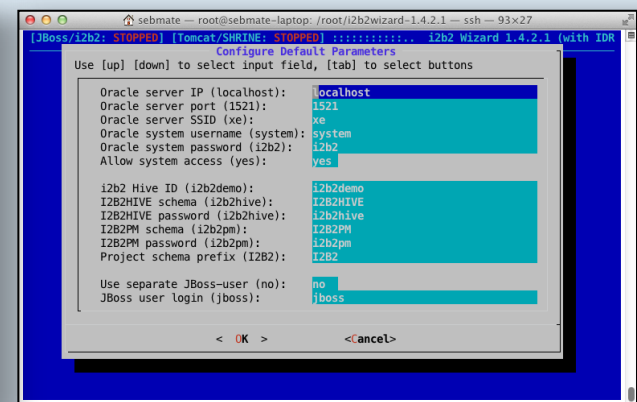
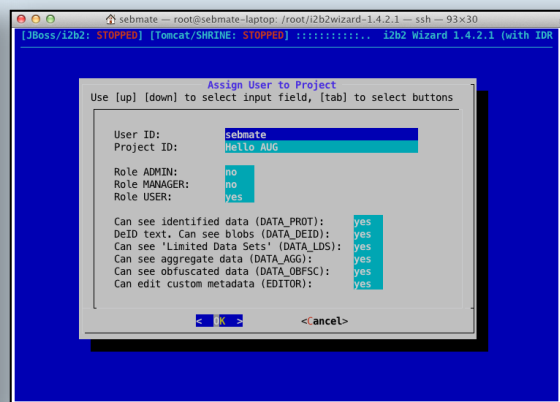
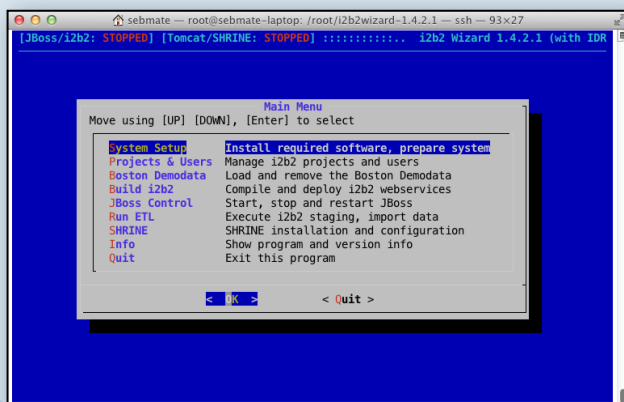








- **“Semi-graphical” program to install and configure i2b2**
- **Full i2b2 installation support**
  - Automatic download and extraction of required software packages
  - Automatic installation of Linux software packages
  - Automatic configuration and compilation of the i2b2 source code
  - Automatic handling of all database work (schema creation, etc.)
- **Full support for i2b2 administration**
  - Create and remove i2b2 projects and users
  - Load and remove the Boston Demodata
  - Change Hive ID and network interface and database configuration
  - Change various passwords (e. g. from I2B2HIVE and I2B2PM)
  - Recursive resolving of dependencies for setup targets / administration tasks
- **SHRINE installation (currently not up-to-date)**





## Achieved enhancements in the IDRT project

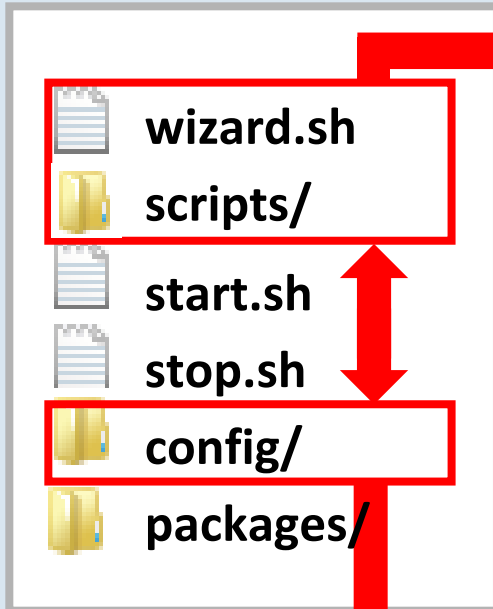
- Always updated to latest i2b2 versions
- JBoss log monitoring: automatic detection of installation errors
- Automatic JDBC tests to ensure correct database settings
- Custom schema names for I2B2PM and I2B2HIVE
- **Many** minor changes and improvements

## Current development: modular Version 2.0 (current beta is 1.9.4)

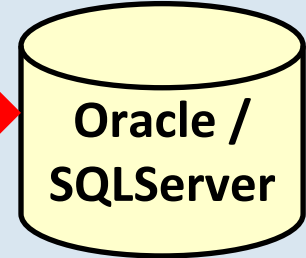
- Will support different i2b2 versions
- Will support different operating systems (Linux & Windows/Cygwin)
- Will support different database systems (Oracle & Microsoft SQLServer)
- Great backward-compatibility
- Increase community involvement



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create DB schemas, register users



i2b2 Wizard start script

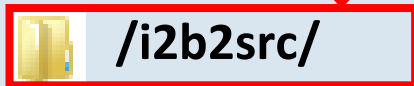
Script to manually start JBoss server

Script to manually stop JBoss server

Stores all setting (projects, users), \*-ds.xml files, ...

Downloaded i2b2 source code, ZIP and RPM/DPKG files

configures

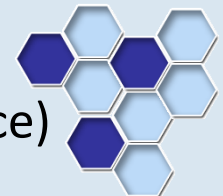


Uncompressed & configured i2b2 source code

build & deploy

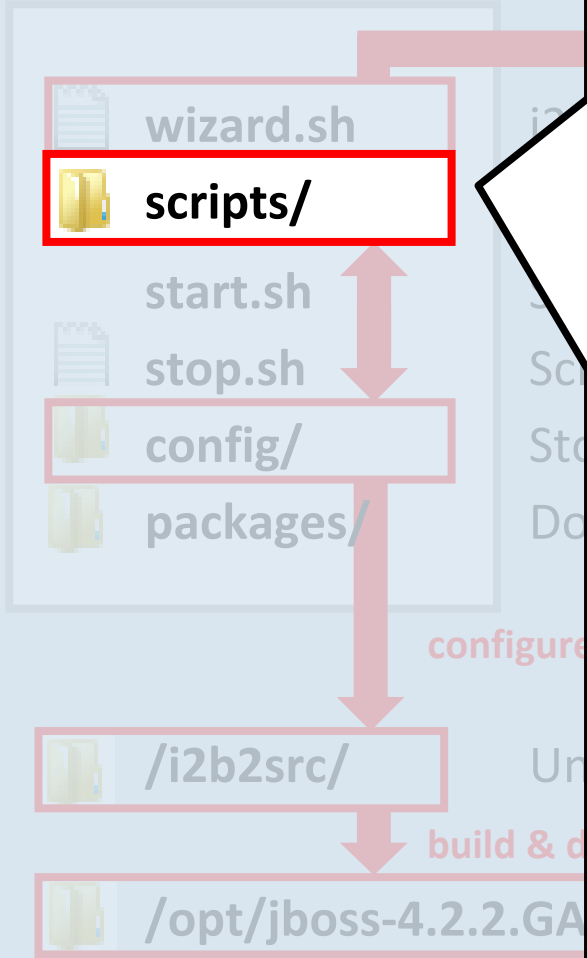


JBoss directory (running i2b2 instance)





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- init.sh**
- menu\_system.sh**
- shrine.sh**
- wizard\_features.sh**
  
- database\_types/**
  - MSSQL.sh**
  - ORACLE.sh**
  
- i2b2\_versions/**
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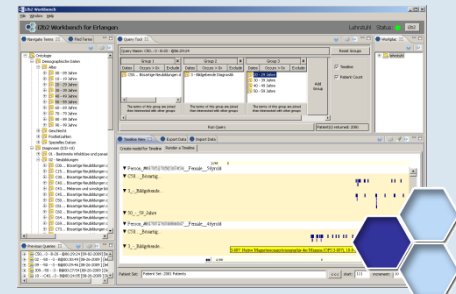
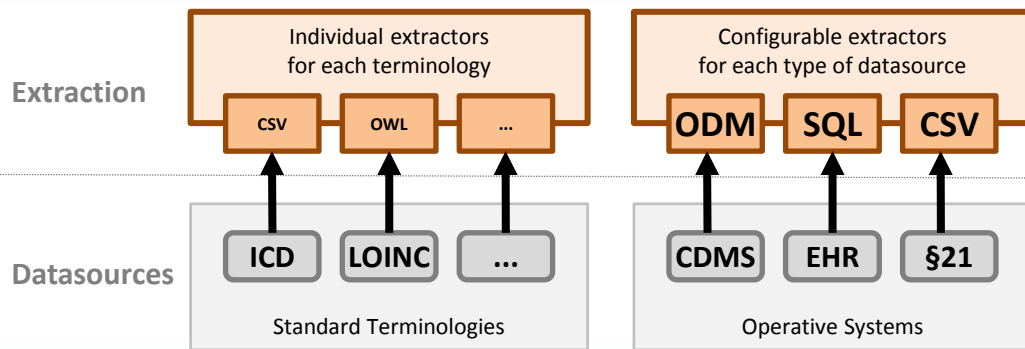
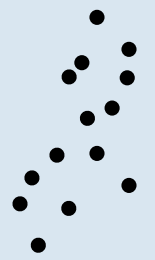


## German §21 KHEntG data set

- used by InEK GmbH to create next DRGs and payment rates
- obligatory and therefore used by **all** German hospitals
- contains ICD10, OPS (procedures), DRGs, encounter and special hospital data => set of simple CSV files

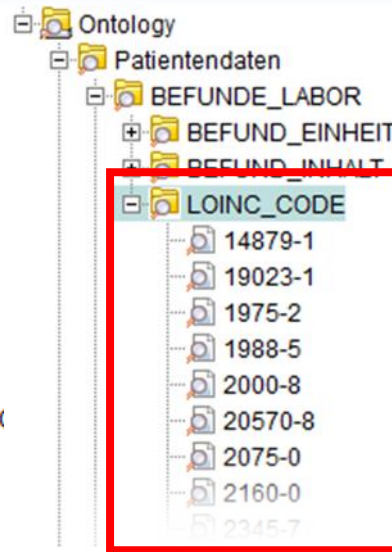
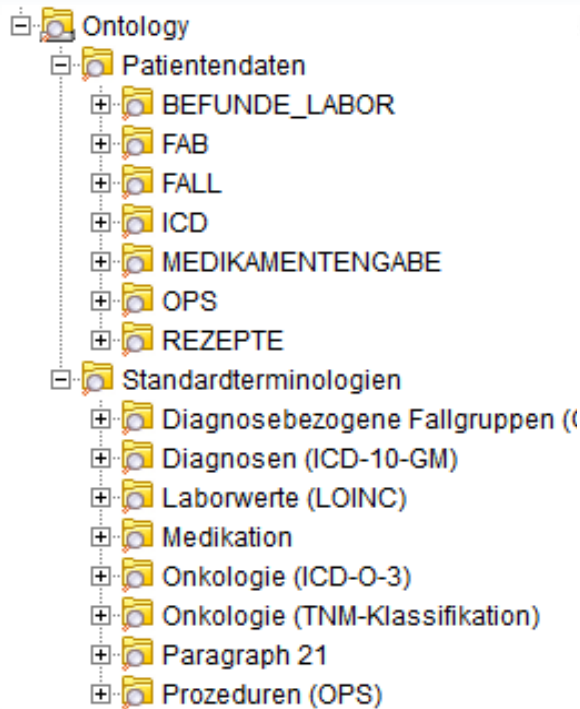
## IDRT §21 Importer: "one mouse click importer"

- reduces difficulties in getting started with i2b2 and IDRT
- makes use of IDRT CSV importer and terminology mapping

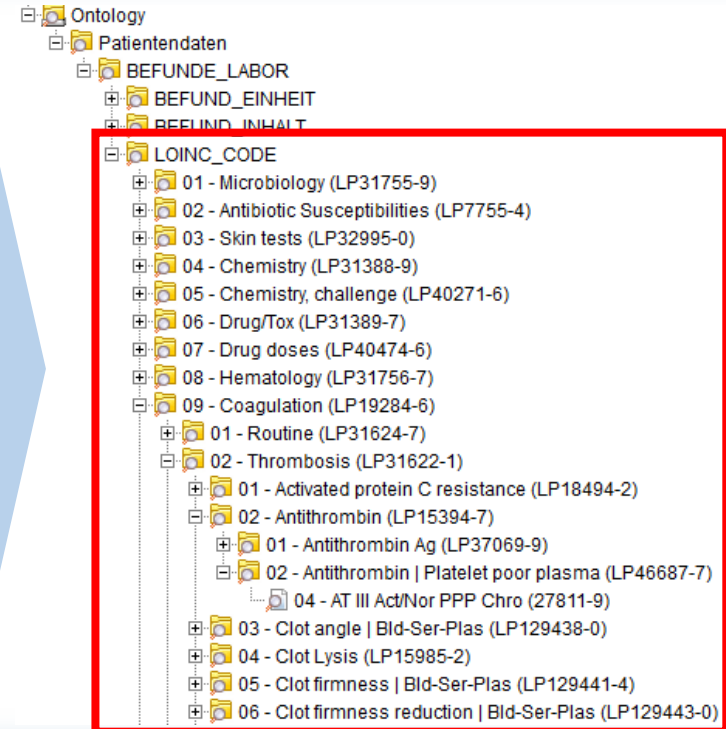


**Idea: Show that it is possible (and efficient) to combine the simple importers (e.g. §21 importer) with other data imports. Prototypical setup in Erlangen:**

1. Import §21 (IDRT §21 importer), lab values and medications (IDRT SQL Importer)
2. Load the corresponding terminologies (by using the IDRT jobs)
3. Run a transformation step to enrich imported data with the terminologies



Transformation







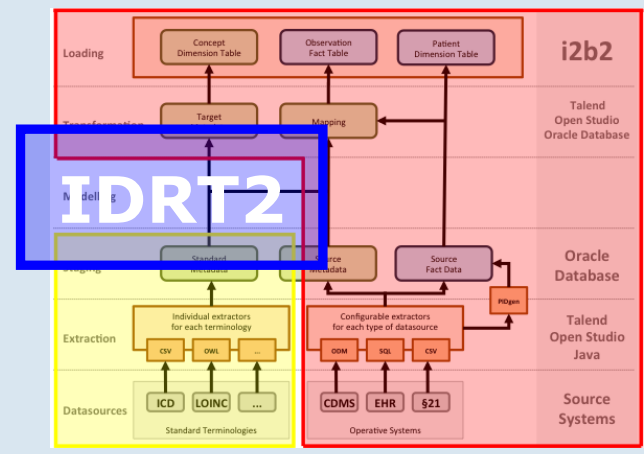
# Discussion & Outlook

## IDRT adds tremendous value to the standard i2b2 package

- IDRT delivers an easy-to-use package to install i2b2 and to populate its database with common German data sets
- Flexible approach: "power users" can use the Talend jobs (encapsulated into the IDRT tool) directly in Talend
- Take just what you need: i2b2 Wizard and ETL tools can be used independently

## The i2b2 software is evolving: IDRT2

- Add support for i2b2 ontology modifiers (required to group complex data elements such as laboratory values)
- IDRT editor to customize i2b2 ontologies
- Interface to the German MDR project
- Update SHRINE support



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