

#### P1752 Metadata Subgroup Group Meeting

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# Action Items From Last Meeting

#### Action Items from Dec 17

- F/U with Brian Page on DatapointID [Ida, Sean]
- Investigate the difference between URI and IRI [Simona]
- Model sampling rate so that it can be represented in either Hz or a frequencyunit-value object [Simona]
- AMA BP use case example [Ida]



## Drafting Metadata Schema

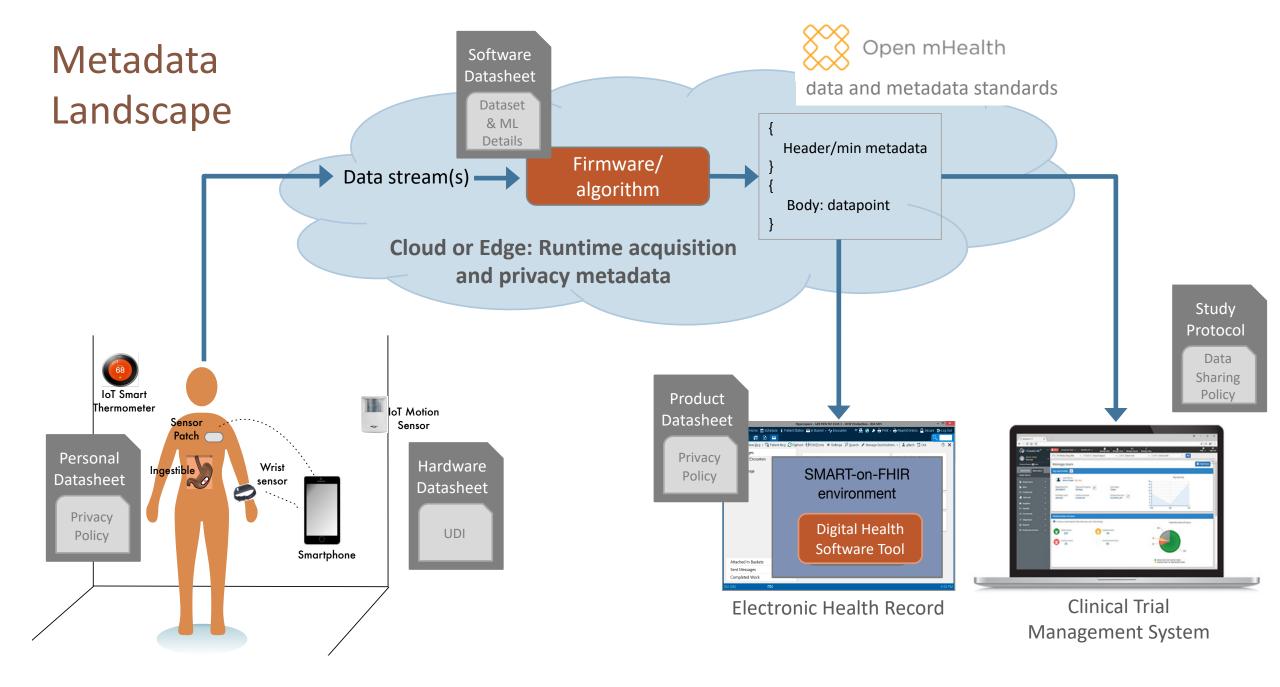
### header.json



### schema-id.json



# References to External Datasheets



#### Current Datasheet Properties in Header

```
"software datasheet": {
   "description": "A URI to retrieve the software datasheet",
    "type":"string",
   "format":"uri"
"hardware_datasheet": {
    "description": "A URI to retrieve the hardware datasheet",
   "type":"string",
    "format":"uri"
"product datasheet": {
    "description": "A URI to retrieve the product datasheet",
   "type":"string",
    "format":"uri"
"personal_datasheet": {
    "description": "A URI to retrieve the personal datasheet",
   "type": "string",
   "format":"uri"
"study_datasheet": {
    "description": "A URI to retrieve the study datasheet",
    "type": "string",
    "format":"uri"
```

- Cardinality
  - Should assume 1-to-many? E.g., more than one hardware datasheet
- Can also model as
  - External\_datasheet
    - Datasheet\_type: software, hardware, product, personal, study
    - URI or IRI or unrestricted string (e.g., phone #)

#### **URI vs IRI**

#### Summarizing we can say:

- IRI is a superset of URI (IRI ⊃ URI)
- URI is a superset of URL (URI ⊃ URL)
- URI is a superset of URN (URI ⊃ URN)
- URL and URN are disjoint (URL  $\cap$  URN =  $\emptyset$ )
- URI: The set of characters is limited to US-ASCII excluding some reserved characters. Characters outside
  the set of allowed characters can be represented using Percent-Encoding. A URI can be used as a locator,
  a name, or both. If a URI is a locator, it describes a resource's primary access mechanism. If a URI is a
  name, it identifies a resource by giving it a unique name. The exact specifications of syntax and
  semantics of a URI depend on the used Scheme that is defined by the characters before the first colon.
  [RFC3986]
- IRI: Defined similarly to a URI, but the character set is extended to the *Universal Coded Character Set*. Therefore, it can contain any Latin and non Latin characters except the reserved characters. Instead of extending the definition of URI, the term IRI was introduced to allow for a clear distinction and avoid incompatibilities. IRIs are meant to replace URIs in identifying resources in situations where the *Universal Coded Character Set* is supported. By definition, every URI is an IRI. Furthermore, there is a defined surjective mapping of IRIs to URIs: Every IRI can be mapped to exactly one URI, but different IRIs might map to the same URI. Therefore, the conversion back from a URI to an IRI may not produce the original IRI. [RFC3987]

Source: https://fusion.cs.uni-jena.de/fusion/blog/2016/11/18/iri-uri-url-urn-and-their-differences/



#### "uri/iri" vs "uri/iri-reference"

#### **URI**

- "uri": A universal resource identifier (URI), according to RFC3986.
- "uri-reference": A URI Reference
   (either a URI or a relativereference), according to
   RFC3986, section 4.1.

#### IRI

- "iri": The internationalized equivalent of a "uri", according to RFC3987.
- "iri-reference": The internationalized equivalent of a "uri-reference", according to RFC3987

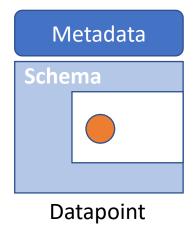
#### Proposal

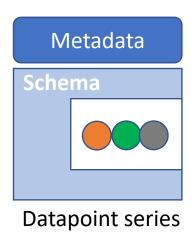
- Will not use "uri-reference" or "iri-reference" because these allow relative references, which cannot be guaranteed to be resolvable
- We use "IRI" as preferred reference: The internationalized equivalent of a "URI" (universal resource identifier [RFC3986]), according to RFC3987
- Allow unrestricted strings? E.g., phone number (this is PII -- this creates privacy issues?)

## Datapoint ID

#### Datapoint versus Datapoint series: IDs

- Schema can be used for instances of arrays of observations (i.e. a series) not only a single datapoint
- Metadata must be identical for every data point in the series.
- Is a unique ID assigned to the Datapoint or each observation in the Datapoint series?





JSON arrays are ordered



#### Unique ID Options

- UUID (16 bytes; 32-char string)
  - At least 5 different standard versions, some including timestamp and MAC address.
  - Another implementation is GUID, which is still RFC 4122 compliant from Micro\$oft.
  - It seems that v-5 is frequently preferred, since it uses SHA-1.
  - Can include a hashed namespace, which could perhaps help with Datapoint series.

Example: AA97B177-9383-4934-8543-0F91A7A02836

ULID (16 bytes; 26-char string)

Example: 01BX5ZZKBKACTAV9WEVGEMMVS0

Autoincrement-type IDs (often 8 bytes; integer)

Example: 18446744073709551615



#### **ULID Approach**

- 128-bit compatibility with UUID
- 1.21e+24 unique ULIDs per millisecond
- Lexicographically sortable!
- Canonically encoded as a 26 character string, as opposed to the 36 character UUID
- Uses Crockford's base32 for better efficiency and readability (5 bits per character)
- Case insensitive
- No special characters (URL safe)
- Monotonic sort order (correctly detects and handles the same millisecond)



#### Considerations/Principles?

- How important is security, and the chance (however small) of being able to guess a key / ID?
- This extends to any need for lack of duplication or to avoid potential collisions –
- To what extent does the ID need to be unique, e.g., as a key, for merging data across files or datasets?
- What about the need for sorting the IDs, and time involved in storage/retrieval?
- Do the IDs (ever) need to be URL-safe?

## Modeling Acquisition Rate

#### frequency-unit-value-1.0.json

- Assumptions: Acquisition rate is uniform/regular
- Acquisition rate often but not always in Hz: how to model?
  - Force all rates into Hz equivalents, or
  - Allow other frequencies, e.g., daily, weekly, every 42 seconds



# Mininum Metadata: Proposal

### Metadata Elements: Datapoint

Needs	Property (bold = required)	Example
Which datapoint is this?	UUID (datapoint, datapoint series?)	Generate using RFC 4122 approach
What does this value represent?	schema ID and schema metadata	Pointer to the stress datapoint schema
When is the effective time of this data?	[in the datapoint itself]	

### Metadata Elements: Acquisition

Needs	Properties (bold = required)	Example
When was this datapoint first created at the (sensor) source? Recorded or packaged time.	source_creation_datetime date-time schema represents a point in time (ISO8601). Timezone is UTC unless otherwise specified	2019-08-01T07:01:00Z
Was the datapoint sensed or self-reported?	modality	sensed
If data was acquired with a periodic rate, what was the rate?	acquisition_rate	Value: 100 Unit: Hz.

#### Metadata Elements: Source

Needs	Properties (bold = required)	Example
What firmware/algorithm? What hardware? What app/product? Which person? Which study?	Pointer(s) to Software Datasheet, Hardware Datasheet (UDI), Product Datasheet, Personal Datasheet (User ID), Study Datasheet (Study ID)	Datasheet type {software, hardware, product, personal, study} Pointer: URI

## Future Work

#### Outstanding Items

- Datapoint UUID Ida & Brian Page
- Draft metadata sample data examples
- Items from Schema Review Calls
  - Filtering
  - Flag identifying raw data

## Future Meetings

#### **Upcoming Meetings**

- Metadata WG
  - Tuesday, February 4: **9:00 10:00** AM Pacific

## Adjournment