

Smart Data for Digital Humanities



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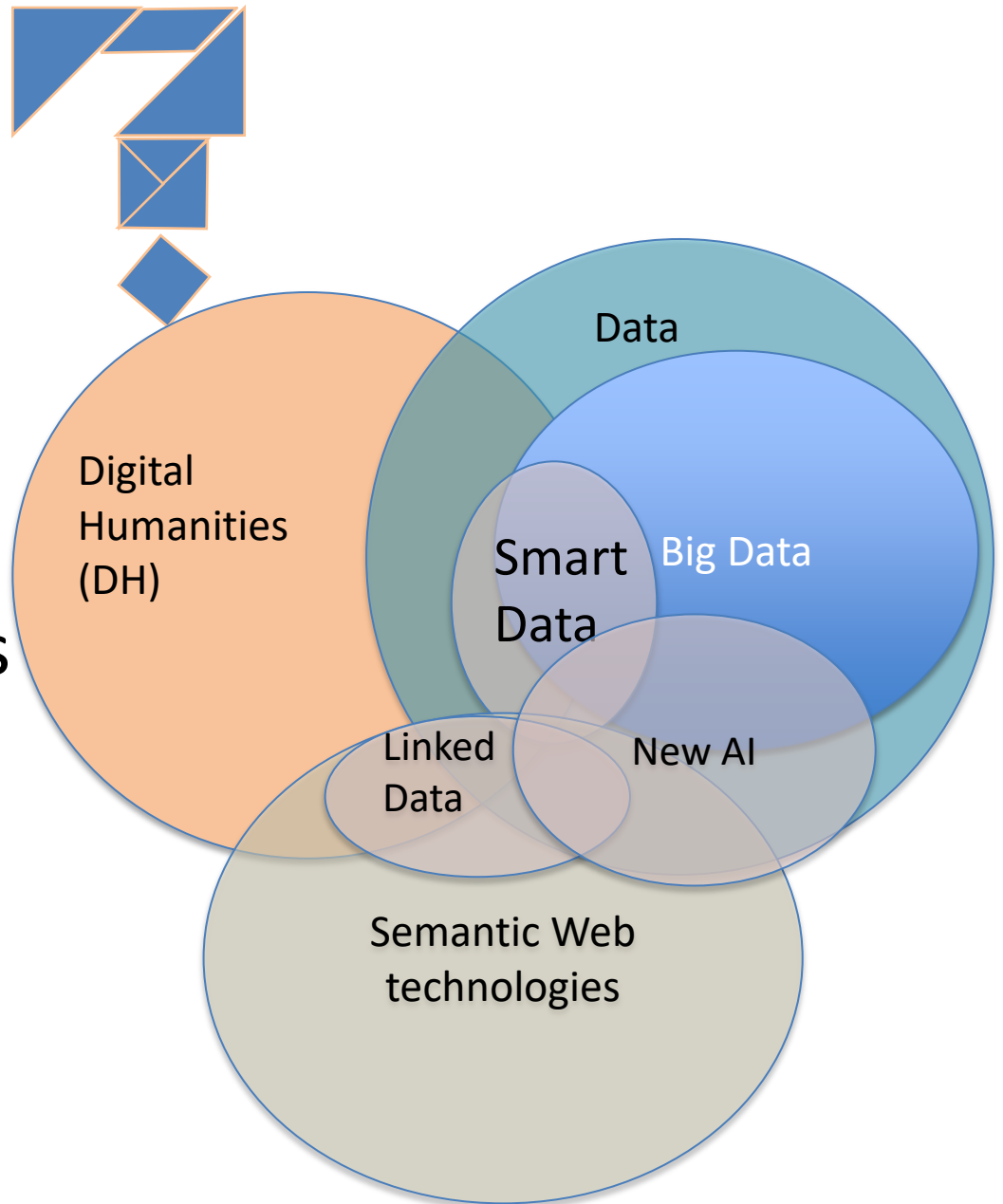
What do I mean...

❖ Smart data

➤ in the context of
Big Data

❖ Digital Humanities

➤ in the context of
heritage
institutions' data



Outline

1. Smart Data
2. Smart Data *in* DH
3. Smart Data *for* DH → in the context of
LAMs' data

1. Smart Data

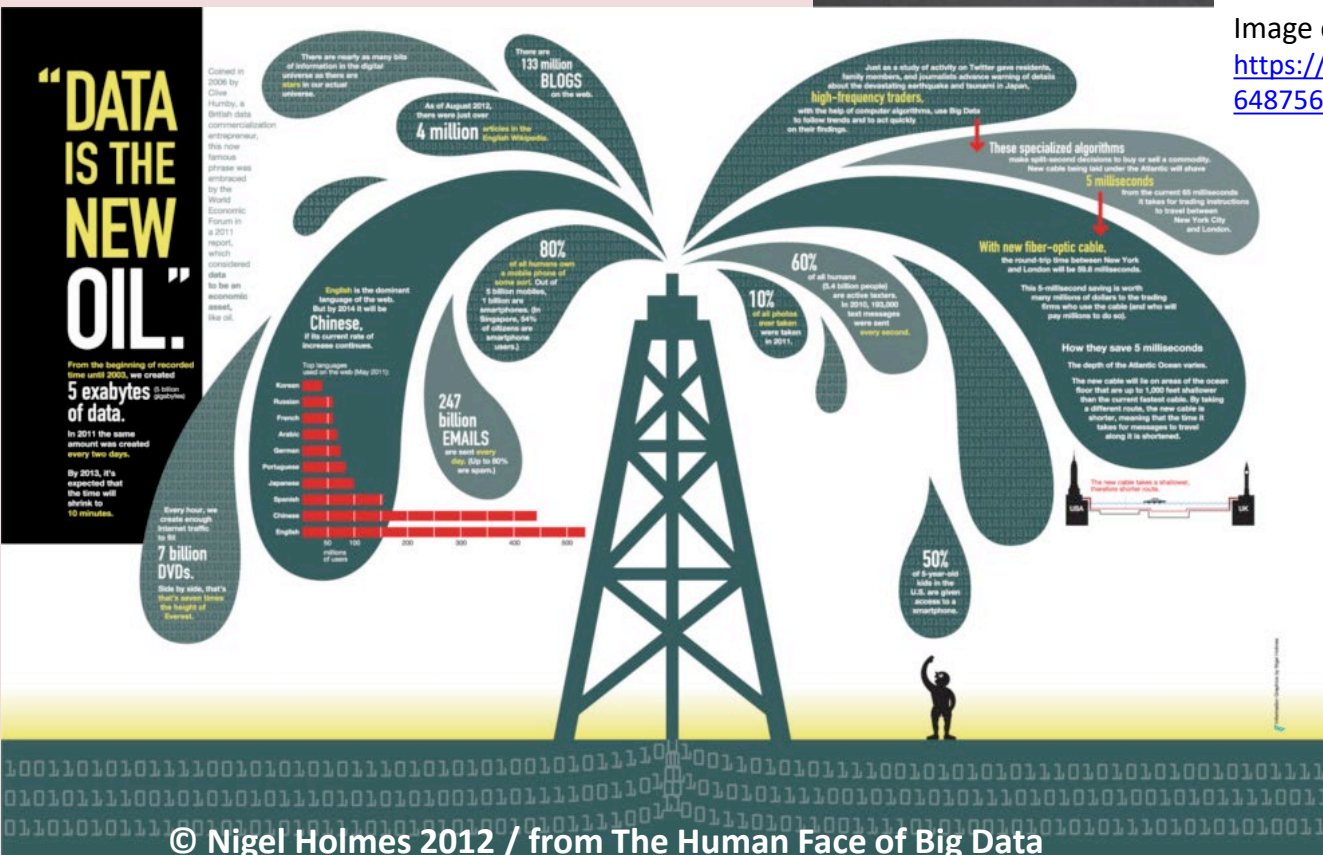
Why
What
How

From Big Data to Smart Data



Image credit:

<https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/20140306073407-64875646-big-data-the-5-vs-everyone-must-know>



Only 3% were 'tagged' and 0.5% were analyzed in the *digital universe*. (Gantz & Reinsel, 2012, p. 3).

Data is new oil

“However, in its raw form, **data is just like crude oil**; it needs to be refined and processed in order to generate real value. Data has to be cleaned, transformed, and analyzed to unlock its hidden potential.”

TiECON East. 2014. *Data is new oil*.

<http://www.tieconeast.org/2014/big-data-analytics>

Big Data is like Crude Oil { not new Oil }

Think of data as crude oil !

Big Data is like extracting the crude oil, transporting it in mega tankers, pumping it through pipelines and storing it in massive silos



**But what
about
refining ?**



prithwis mukerjee, ph.d.

Prithwis Mukerjee (2014). Introduction to Data Science

http://www.slideshare.net/prithwis/01_intro2-datascienceyantrajalblog

WHAT

“Smart Data” means information that actually makes sense.

-- Lorentz, A. 2013. Big Data, Fast Data, Smart Data

Big Data is the problem and Smart Data is the solution.

-- Rice, E. 2014. Going from Big Data to Smart Data

The relationship between Big Data and Smart Data can be characterized as “what it is” and “what it is for” .

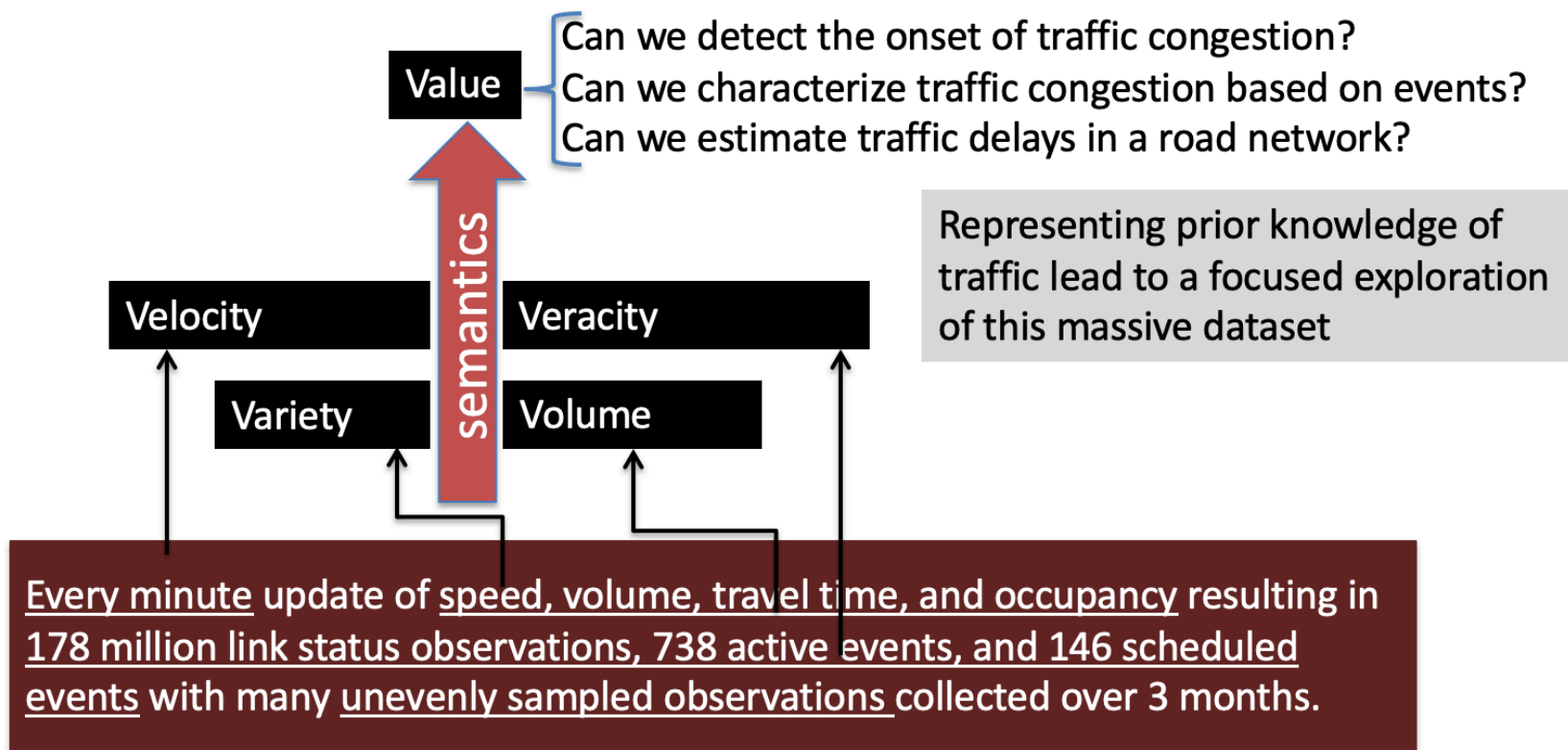
-- lafrate: *From Big data to Smart data.*



Image of Foreman, John W. and Jutta Schmidt.
2014. *Smart Data statt Big Data: Wie Sie mit Excel-Analysen das Beste aus Ihren Kundendaten herausholen* (German Edition)

Big Data to Smart Data: Traffic Management example

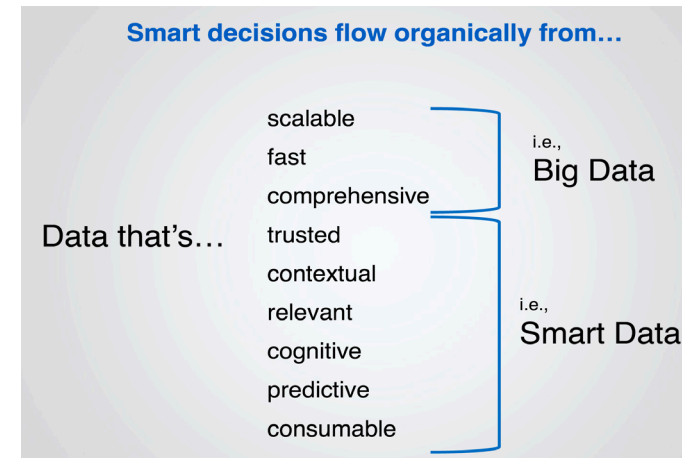
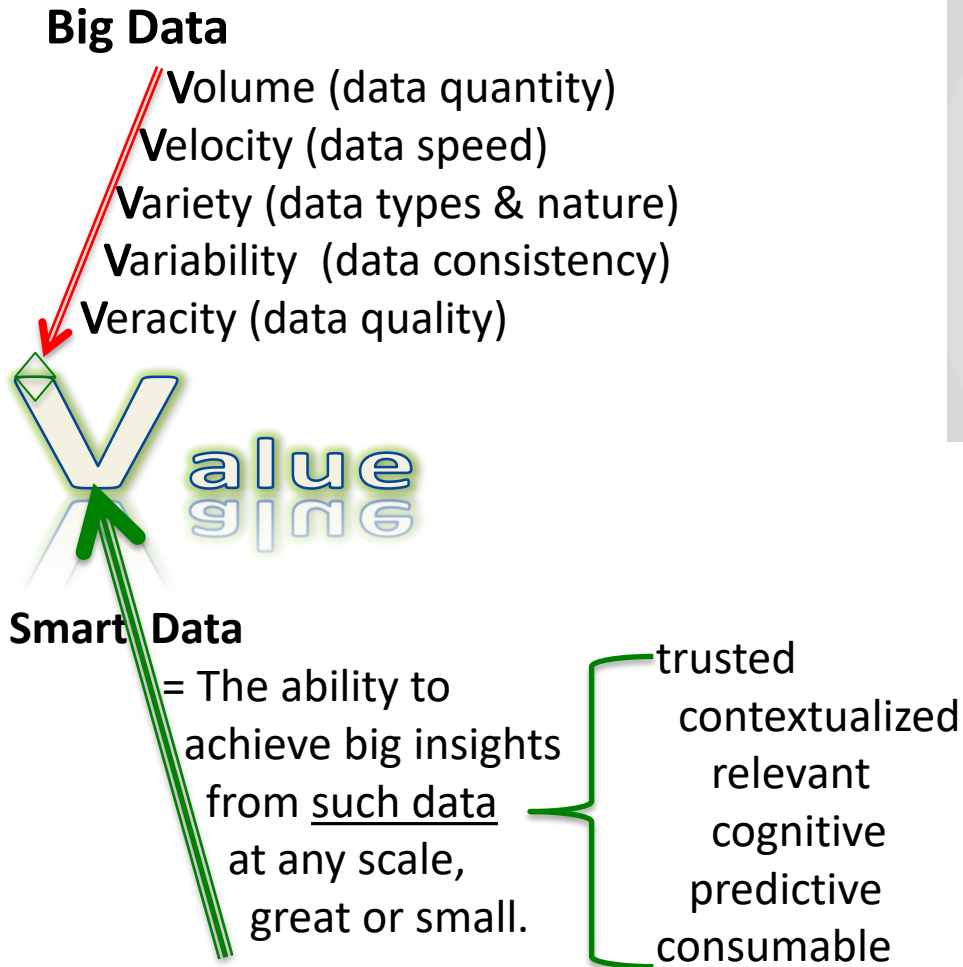
Vehicular traffic data from San Francisco Bay Area aggregated from on-road sensors (numerical) and incident reports (textual)



<http://511.org/>

Slide from: Sheth, Amit. 2014. Transforming Big Data into Smart Data: Deriving Value via harnessing Volume, Variety and Velocity using semantics and Semantic Web. Keynote at 30th IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE) 2014.

Smart Data in the context of Big Data



Kobielus, James. (2016)

Source: Zeng, M.L. 2017 [DOI: 10.1515/jdis-2017-0001](https://doi.org/10.1515/jdis-2017-0001)
 Compiled based on Kobielus, James. (2016, June). *The Evolution of Big Data to Smart Data*.
 Keynote at Smart Data Online 2016.

- Smart Data aims to filter out the noise and produce valuable data ...
- Although unprecedentedly large amount of sensory data can be collected with the advancement of the Cyber-Physical-Social systems, the **key** is to explore **how** Big Data can become Smart Data and offer intelligence.

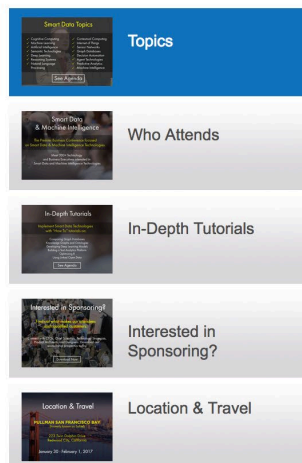
- SmartData 2019 : The 5th IEEE International Conference on Smart Data. CFP.



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Smart Data Topics

- ✓ Cognitive Computing
- ✓ Machine Learning
- ✓ Artificial Intelligence
- ✓ Semantic Technologies
- ✓ Deep Learning
- ✓ Reasoning Systems
- ✓ Natural Language Processing
- ✓ Contextual Computing
- ✓ Internet of Things
- ✓ Sensor Networks
- ✓ Graph Databases
- ✓ Decision Automation
- ✓ Agent Technologies
- ✓ Predictive Analytics
- ✓ Machine Intelligence

See Agenda

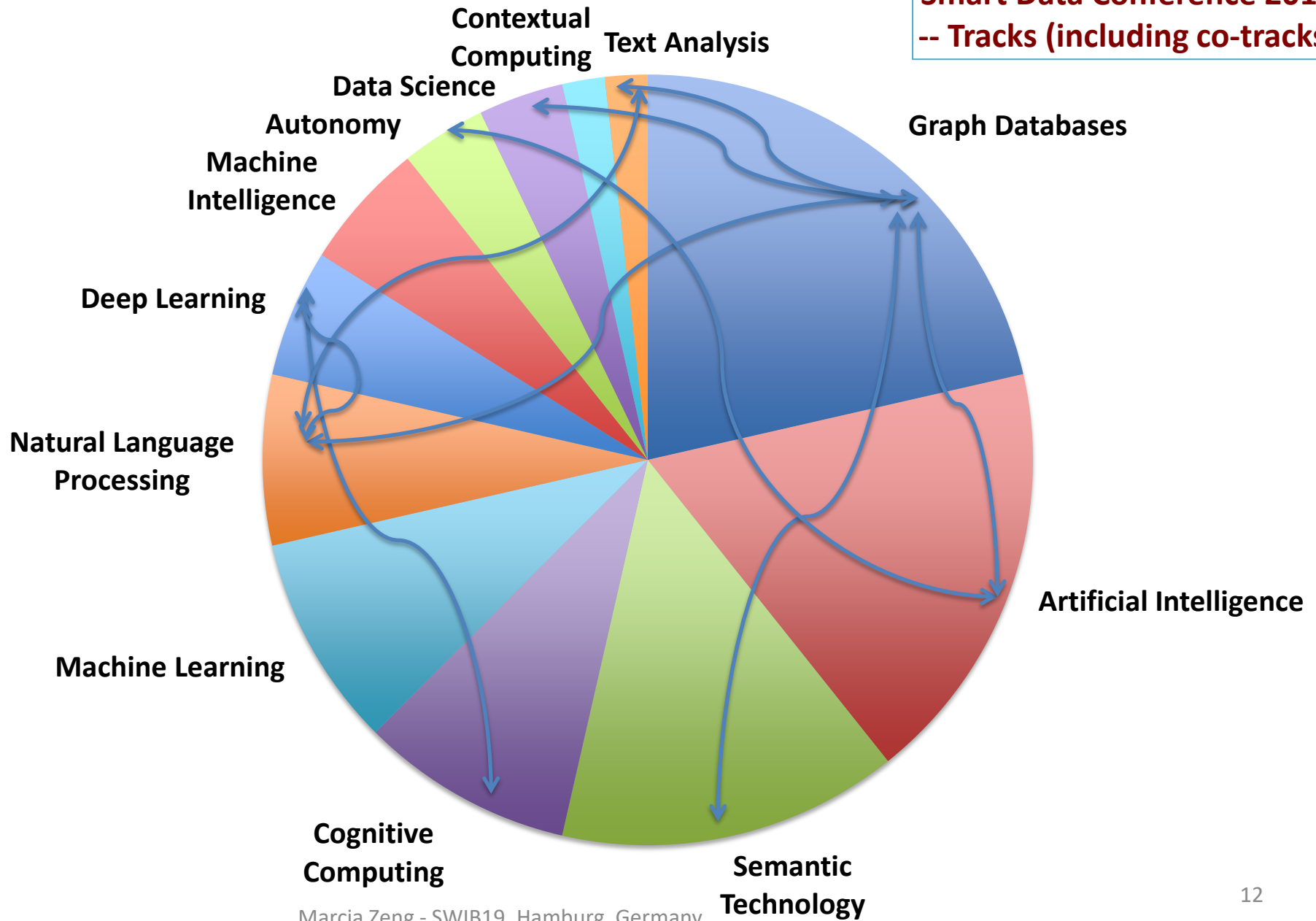
Why Should You Attend?

The Smart Data Conference is designed to accommodate all levels of technical understanding. It will bring together emerging disciplines that are focused on more intelligent information gathering and analysis, including:

- Cognitive Computing
- Deep Learning
- Machine Learning
- Artificial Intelligence
- Predictive Analytics
- Graph Databases
- Machine Intelligence
- Voice Processing
- Semantic Technologies
- Autonomous Vehicles
- Big Data
- Data Science
- Internet of Things
- Text Analysis
- RDF
- Knowledge Graphs
- Contextual Computing
- Linked Data
- Deep Reasoning
- Ontologies
- JSON-LD
- Common Sense
- NLP
- Semantic Search

HOW to transform Big Data into Smart Data?

Smart Data Conference 2017
-- Tracks (including co-tracks)



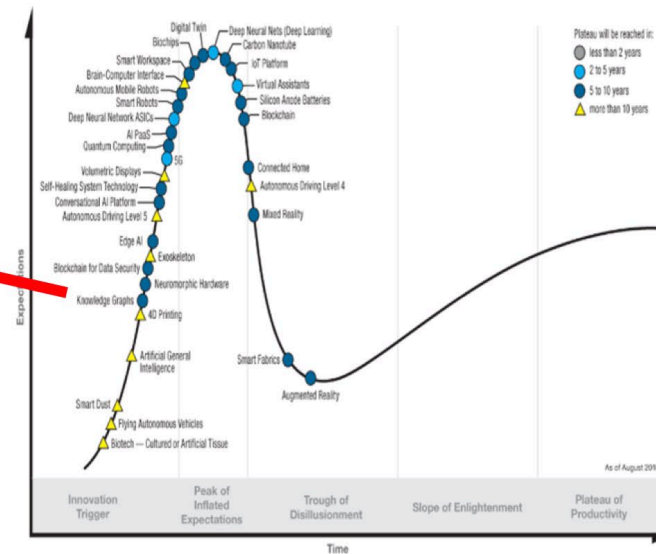
"The #knowledgegraph--**smart data** that can describe your business and its domains--is now eating software." - [Morrison, Alan](#). Data Centric Design for SMART DATA & CONTENT Enthusiasts meetup, July 31, 2019, Chicago.

Knowledge Graphs on the rise!

Gartner Hype Cycle for Emerging Technologies, 2019



Hype Cycle for Emerging Technologies, 2018



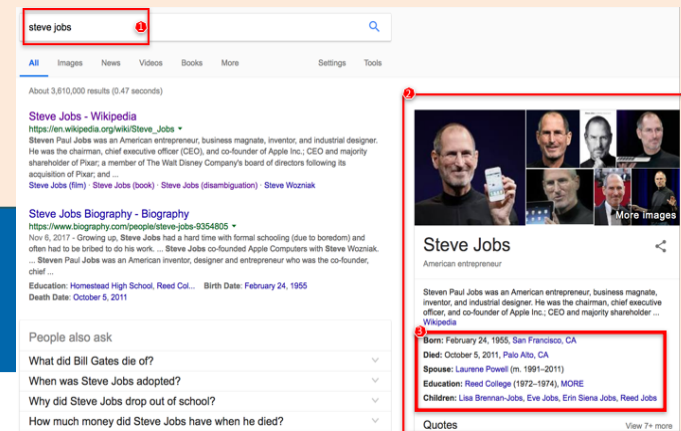
Gartner

ANZING

Aasman, Jans. Why Knowledge Graphs Now. Ontology Summit, Sept. 4. 2019. Slide 3.

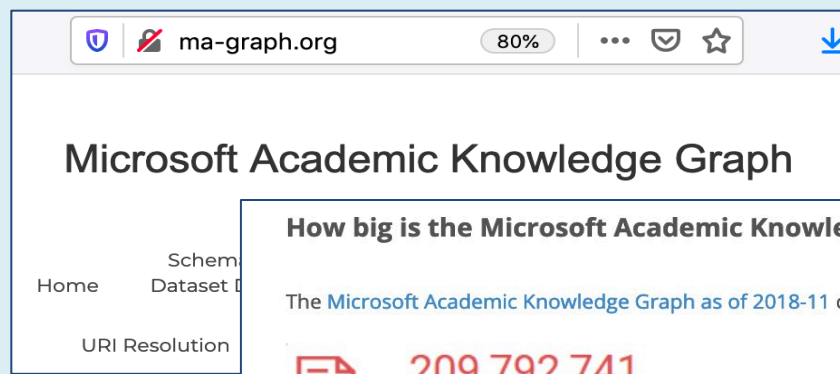
What is a Knowledge Graph?

- A system that tries to know and learn everything it can about an entity of interest to improve [internal processes, customer experience, health]
 - Yes, sometimes you can have more types of entities (product+customer, patient-provider)
- It always includes:
 - A (semantic) graph, ontologies, taxonomies
 - Identity management and a smart integration of silos of information
- It nearly always includes
 - Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing, Text classification
- And more and more we see
 - [taxonomy driven] Speech recognition



The known Knowledge Graph builders (in USA)

- Apple
- Amazon.com
- Alphabet
- Microsoft Corp
- Facebook
- JPMorgan Chase
- Bank of America
- ...



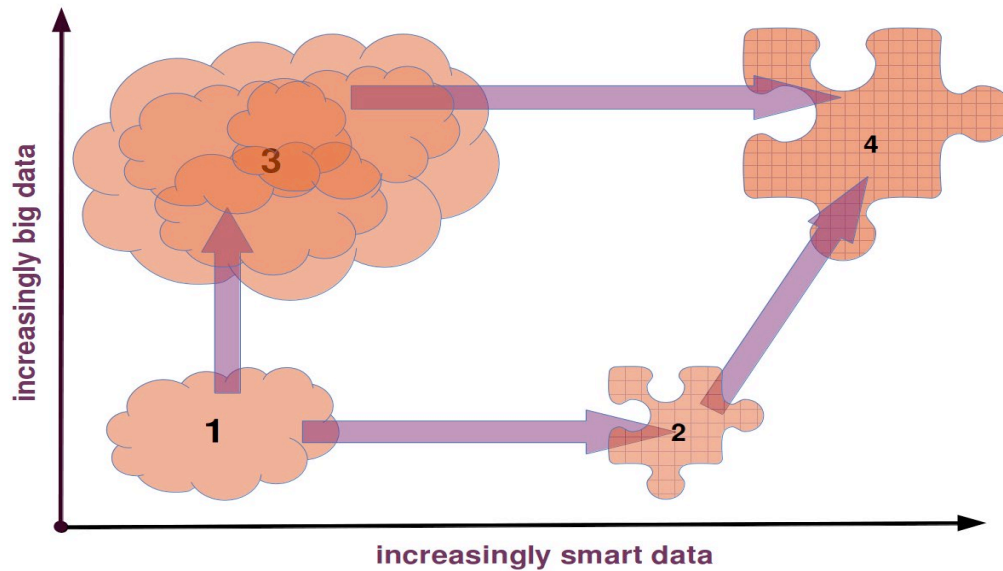
How big is the Microsoft Academic Knowledge Graph?

The [Microsoft Academic Knowledge Graph as of 2018-11](#) contains, among others,

	209,792,741 papers
	253,641,783 authors
	25,431 affiliations
	1,380,196,397 references
	146,257,535 citations
	48,650 journals
	15,704 conference instances
	4,337 conference series
	229,716 fields of study

<http://ma-graph.org/>

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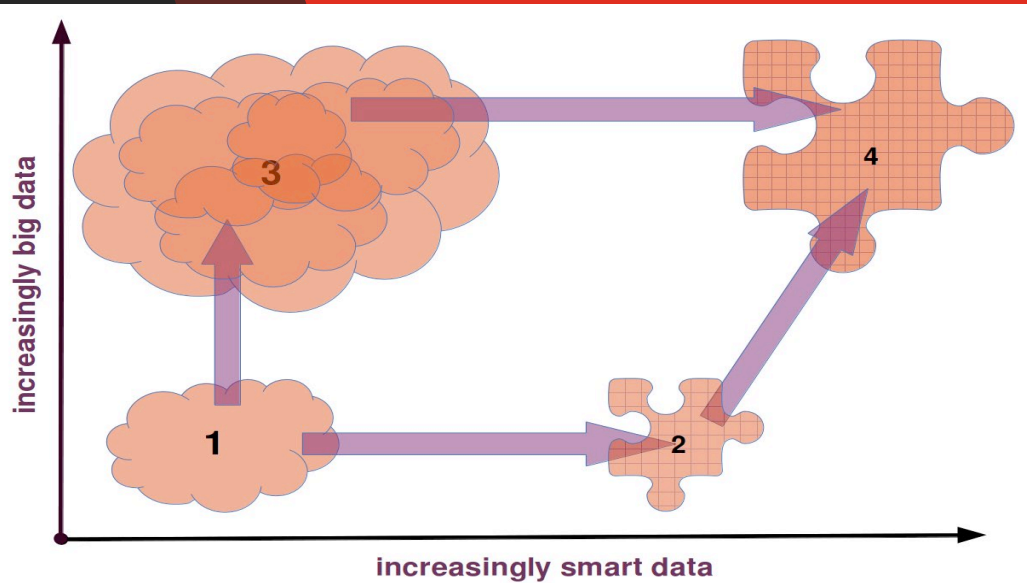


Schöch, Christof. 2013. **Big? Smart? Clean? Messy?** *Data in the humanities*. *Journal for Digital Humanities*. 2(3): 2-13.

Once tamed through organizing and integrating processes, large volumes of unstructured, semi-structured, and structured data are turned into “smart data” that reflect the research priorities of a particular discipline or field.

Smart data inquiries can then be used to provide comprehensive analyses and generate new products and services.

2. Smart Data in DH



- **WHO** in DH
- **WHICH** Data in DH
- **HOW** in DH
- **WHERE** is the distinctive mark?

Digital Humanities

- The field is still expanding,
- The definitions are being debated, and
- The multifaceted landscape is yet to be fully understood.
- Most agree that initiatives and activities in digital humanities are at the **intersection** between the **humanities** and **digital information technology**.
- It is at this junction where digital technology will generate a paradigm shift in the near future, enabling scholars to identify major patterns in history, literature, and in the arts.



Image source: Katherine Hayles
<http://dte-wsuv.org/wp/dte375-scodi/katherine-hayles/>

Ref:

- Svensson, P. 2010. The Landscape of Digital Humanities. *Digital Humanities Quarterly*. 4(1), 1938-4122
- Svensson, P. 2009. Humanities Computing as Digital Humanities. *Digital Humanities Quarterly*. 3(3), 1938-4122

Search Options:

Country: - all -
City: - all -
Institution: - all -
Education: - all -
Disciplines: -- none selected --
Techniques: -- none selected --
Objects: -- none selected --



^ By Discipline

Theory and Methodology of DH:	97
Arts and Cultural Studies:	88
Linguistics and Language Studies:	75
Literary and Philological Studies:	75
History:	67
Computer Science:	62
Human Language Technologies:	43
Library Science and Information Science:	39
Media and Communication Studies:	33
Social Sciences:	24
Archaeology:	23
Philosophy:	13
Other:	13
Ethnology:	10
Musicology:	9
Gender Studies:	9
Cognitive Science:	6
Legal Studies:	6
Theology and Religious Studies:	5

DH refers to new modes of scholarship and institutional units for collaborative, transdisciplinary, and computationally engaged research, teaching, and publication.





The Digging into Data Challenge (DiD) aims to address how "big data" changes the research landscape for the humanities and social sciences.

<https://diggingintodata.org/>

Round / (year)	DiD Funders	DiD Funder countries	Winner #
Round One /(2009)	NEH , NSF , SSHRC , Jisc (4)	US, Canada, UK.	8
Round Two/ (2011)	NEH , NSF , SSHRC , Jisc , IMLS , AHRC , ESRC , NWO (8)	US, Canada, UK. Netherlands	14
Round Three/ (2013)	NEH , NSF , SSHRC , Jisc , IMLS , AHRC , ESRC , NWO CFI , NSERC (10)	US, Canada, UK. Netherlands	14
Round Four /(2016) Renamed as the "T-AP Digging into Data Challenge"	NEH , NSF , SSHRC , Jisc , IMLS , AHRC , ESRC , NWO CFI , NSERC MINCyT , FAPESP , FRQ , AKA , ANR , DFG , CONACYT , FCT .(18)	US, Canada, UK. Netherlands, Argentina, Brazil, Finland, France, Germany, Mexico, Portugal	14
Total: 4 rounds	18 funders from 11 countries		50 winners

Expressed in the Project Descriptions of *Digging into Data* Challenge Round 1-4, 2009-201618 funders
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countries.

Domains / Areas of Interests	Resources	Approaches
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> activities in humanities & social science ancient language archaeology biodiversity child language development Colonisation of America comparative and epidemiological paradigm criminal intent debating early modern common placing economics English speech epidemiology film and media history financial system history human migration human rights violations information networks information patterns and behaviors journalism language evolution legal structures linguistics literary networks manuscripts provenance music musicology parliaments policy population railroad social science sociological theory standards of living storytelling traditions and story repertoires trading and financial markets vocabularies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> audio (music) recordings cuneiform tablets (Mesopotamia) folklore collections GDP per capita geographical data GitHub journals Knowledge Graphs Knowledge Organization Systems letters linguistics databases manuscripts manuscripts (pre-modern European) maps medical images medieval charters multilingual classic text music info news about terrorism newspapers open access publications papyrus documents passages poetry population databases proceedings quotations records in indigenous style records in Spanish signs social media speech datasets speech recordings speeches spoken language collections tweets, political video data writing pieces 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> annotation comparative analysis computational analysis computing corpus building cross datasets analysis cross-datasets searching cross-linguistic annotation data management data mining image processing indexing linking machine coding machine learning machine translation metadata aggregation metadata analysis metadata auto-generation metadata extraction natural language processing (NLP) protocols development spatial-temporal correlation speech mining text analysis visualization

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- biodiversity
- child language development
- Colonisation of America
- comparative and epidemiological paradigm
- criminal intent
- debating
- early modern common placing
- economics
- English speech
- epidemiology
- film and media history
- financial system
- history
- human migration
- human rights violations
- information networks

- information patterns and behaviors
- Journalism
- language evolution
- legal structures
- linguistics
- literary networks
- manuscripts provenance
- music
- musicology
- parliaments
- policy
- population
- railroad
- social science
- sociological theory
- standards of living
- storytelling traditions and story repertoires
- trading and financial markets
- vocabularies

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“DATA” \neq “DIGITAL DATA”

Data = “reinterpretable representation of information in a formalized manner suitable for communication, interpretation, or processing”

for example,

- a sequence of bits,
- a table of numbers,
- the characters on a page,
- the recording of sounds made by a person speaking,
- a moon rock specimen,
-

Information = “Any type of knowledge that can be exchanged. In an exchange, it is represented by data.”

-- *The Reference Model for an Open Archival Information System (OAIS)*
Consultative Committee for Space Data Systems, 2012, p 1-10 and p 1-12

Data are representations of observations, objects, or other entities used as evidence of phenomena for the purpose of research or scholarship.

- Borgman, 2015, *Big data, little data, no data: Scholarship in the networked world*, p 28.

– Example from Digital Universe

“Digital Universe” -- a measure of all the digital data created, replicated, and consumed in a single year



Image credit: <http://emergingtechblog.emc.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/Digital-Universe1.png>

Data used by the Digital Universe is made up of:

- images and videos on mobile phones uploaded to YouTube,
- digital movies populating the pixels of our high-definition TVs,
- banking data swiped in an ATM,
- security footage at airports and major events such as the Olympic Games,
- subatomic collisions recorded by the Large Hadron Collider at CERN,
- transponders recording highway tolls,
- voice calls zipping through digital phone lines, and
- texting as a widespread means of communications

-- Gantz & Reinsel, 2012.
“The digital universe in 2020”, p1.

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A primary challenge in applying the Smart Data approach to DH:

- the availability of data resources
 - for those in need of historical data
 - that one could not be obtained through web crawling or scraping.

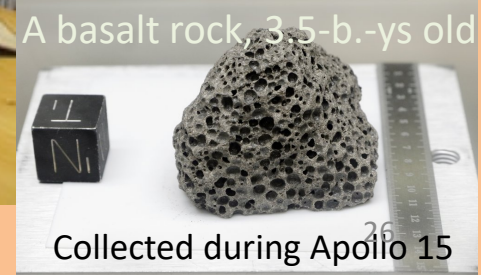
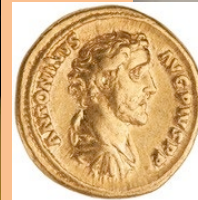
Such a “digital universe” may not be the major or only source for humanities researchers.

WHICH data in DH

Through LAMs: **unstructured data** found in documents and other information-bearing objects

- are available in the largest quantity,
- have the most diversity in type, nature, and quality, and
- are the most challenging to process.

The nature of such data is quite different from, e.g., the data used by the “digital universe.”



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Resources

- audio (music) recordings
- cuneiform tablets (Mesopotamia)
- folklore collections
- GDP per capita
- geographical data
- GitHub
- journals
- Knowledge Graphs
- Knowledge Organization Systems (KOS)
- letters
- linguistics databases
- manuscripts
- manuscripts (pre-modern European)
- maps
- medical images
- medieval charters
- multilingual classic text
- music info
- news about terrorism

- newspapers
- open access publications
- papyrus documents
- passages
- poetry
- population databases
- proceedings
- quotations
- records in indigenous style
- records in Spanish
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HOW in DH

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archaeology	folklore collections	computational analysis
biochemistry	CD-ROMs	computing
child language development	geographical data	corpus building
Colonization of America	critique	cross-datasets analysis
comparative and epidemiological paradigm	journals	cross-datasets searching
criminal intent	Knowledge Graphs	cross-linguistic annotation
debating	Knowledge Organization Systems	data management
early modern common place	letters	data mining
economics	linguistics databases	image processing
English speech	manuscripts	indexing
epidemiology	manuscripts (pre-modern European)	linking
film and media history	maps	machine coding
financial system	medical images	machine learning
history	medieval charters	machine translation
human migration	multilingual class text	metadata aggregation
human rights violations	music info	metadata analysis
information networks	new about tourism	metadata auto-generation
information patterns and behaviors	newspapers	metadata extraction
intention	open access publications	natural language processing (NLP)
language evolution	papers documents	protocols development
legal structures	poetry	spatial-temporal correlation
linguistics	population databases	speech mining
literary networks	proceedings	text analysis
manuscripts provenance	quaternary	visualization
maps	records in indigenous style	
musicology	records in Spanish	
parliaments	signs	
population	social media	
religion	speech datasets	
social control	speech recordings	
sociological theory	speeches	
standards of living	spoken language collections	
traveling traditions and story repertoires	texts, political	
trading and financial markets	video data	
vocalizations	writing pieces	

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“COMPLEXITIES”

- *DIGITAL HUMANITIES 2019* theme

- “This theme has a multifaceted connection with *Digital Humanities* scholarship.”
 - The Alliance of Digital Humanities Organizations (ADHO) CFP
- DH2019, July 2019, Utrecht University, Netherlands
 - 1000+ delegates from 50+ countries;
 - participants are from all kinds of disciplines and professions.

Let’s look at three cases, from this year, and from different kinds of reports: article, movie, and museum exhibition.

Cases

- A recent article: "Ancient Rome: A genetic crossroads of Europe and the Mediterranean."
Antonio, Margaret L., et al. *Science* 366.6466 (2019): 708-714.
<https://science.sciencemag.org/content/366/6466/708>
- A recent documentary movie: **The Violence Paradox**, NOVA.
Nov.20, 2019 <https://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/video/the-violence-paradox/>
- A recent exhibition “**Leonardo da Vinci: 500 Years of Genius**”
at Denver Museum of Nature & Science, March-Aug., 2019.
<https://grandeexhibitions.com/the-secrets-of-mona-lisa/#explore>
& NOVA Documentary: “Decoding Da Vince”
<https://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/video/decoding-da-vinci/>

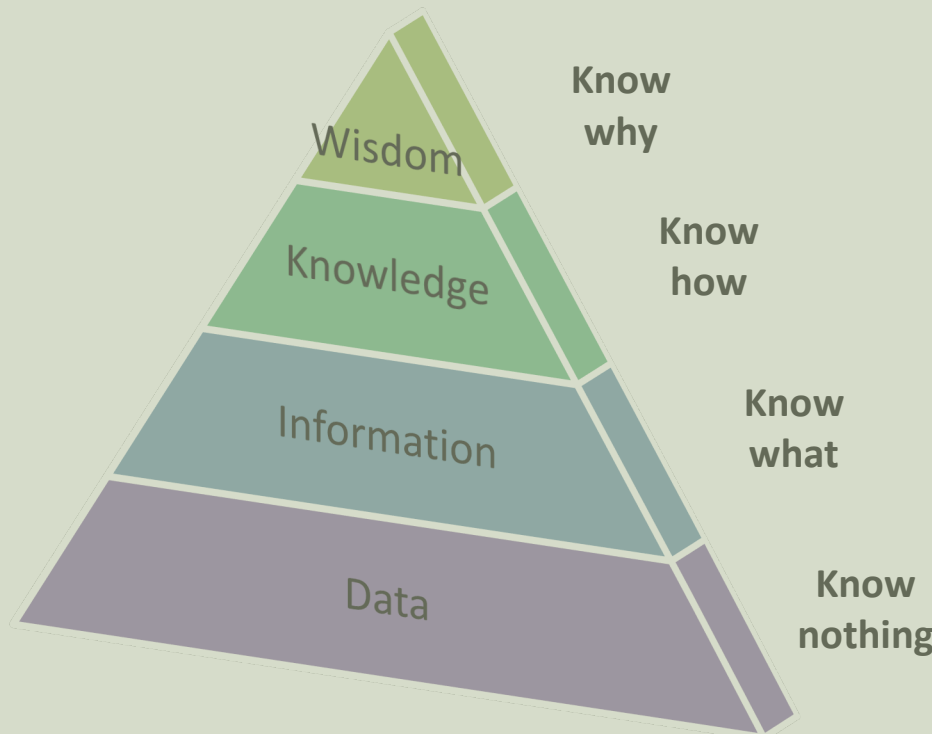
Smart Data in DH

**WHERE is the
distinctive mark?**

Technological shift?

Methodological shift?

Methodological shift



Compiled based on Ackoff, R. L. (1989). **From data to wisdom.** *Journal of Applied Systems Analysis*, 16(1), 3-9. and Zeleny, M. (1987). Management support systems: towards integrated knowledge management. *Human Systems Management*, 7(1), 59-70.



Smart Data

- based on Big Data's methodology
- assumes the ability to reveal the *unknown-unknowns*
- instead of taking the approach that one knows to do something in order to prove or disapprove the *known-unknowns*.

Let's see another example and think:

- Why does *Science* magazine publish something on humanities?
- Why is the video “Charting culture” provided by *Nature*?
- What kind of data did the project use?

The screenshot shows the Science magazine website. The top navigation bar includes the Science logo, a search bar, and links to AAAS, NEWS, SCIENCE JOURNALS, CAREERS, MULTIMEDIA, and TOPICS. A yellow highlight is placed over the text "A network framework of cultural history". Below this, a video player is embedded, showing a world map with a timeline from 600 BCE to 2012 CE. The video title is "Charting culture" and it is labeled as "naturevideo". A sidebar on the left shows a map of Europe with a timeline from 542 BCE. The video player has a progress bar at the bottom.

Schich *et al.*, 2014a, 2014b

Birth and death data of notable individuals reveal interactions between culturally relevant locations over two millennia.

see also [video](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4glhRkCcD4U>

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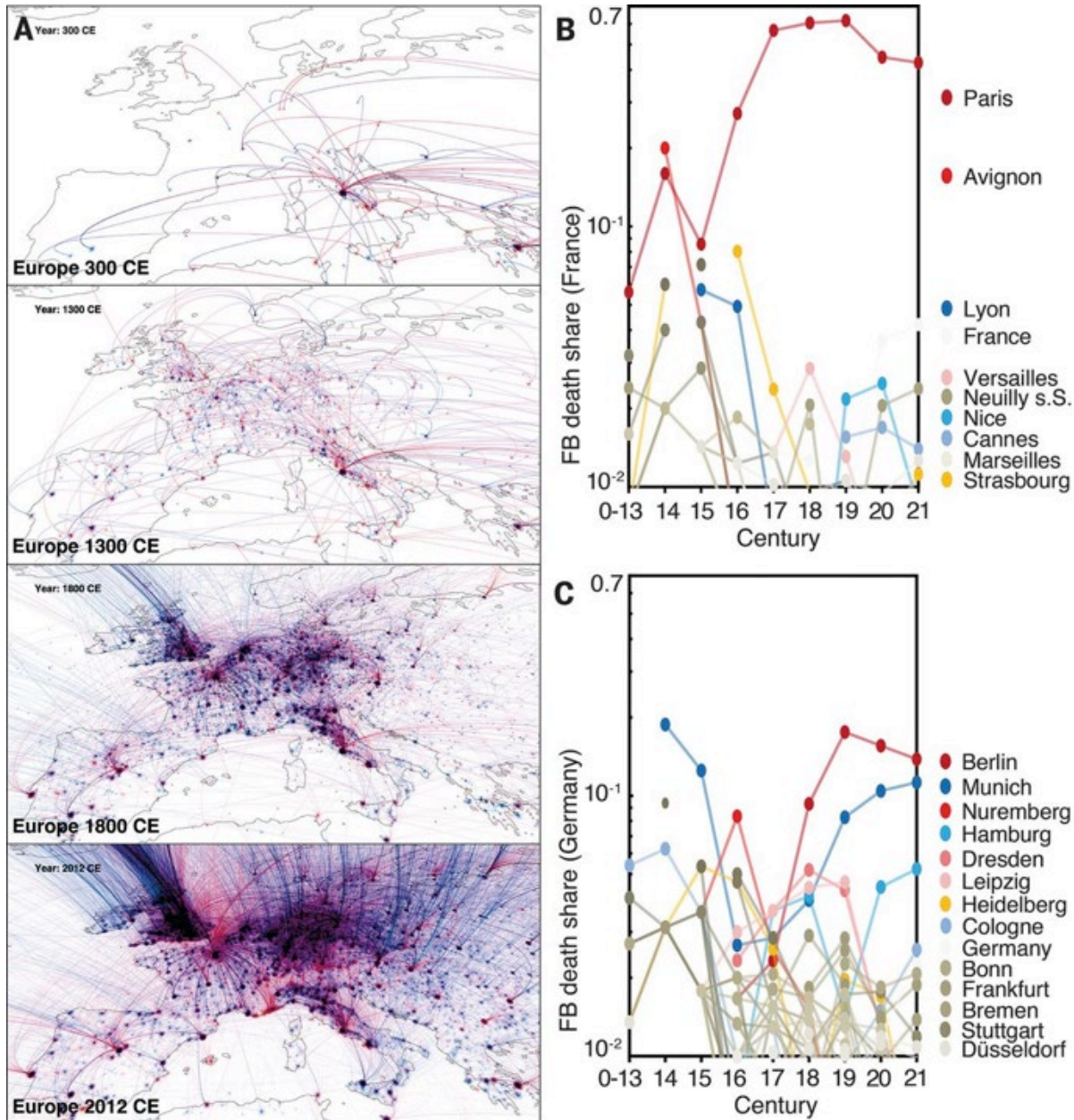
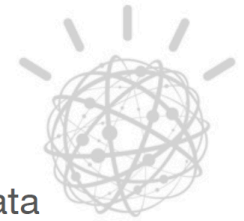


Fig. 3
The visualization of birth-death network dynamics offers a meta-narrative of cultural history.

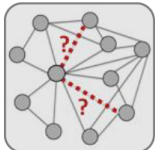
Schich *et al.*, 2014a

<http://science.sciencemag.org/content/345/6196/558.full>

Discovery is about the non-obvious



Discovery creates new knowledge (hitherto unknown / unrecorded in domain docs, data sources). New knowledge is surprising and anomalous. It could be formally abstracted in several forms:



New link between entities: A new side effect of a drug, a new potential emerging company as an acquisition target or sales lead, a non-obvious but relevant case / law applicable in a particular trial / proceeding, a person of interest in a terrorist attack. (Link Prediction, Relationship Discovery, Relationship Ranking)



A potential new important entity in the domain: e.g. a new material for display technologies, a new investor for a particular investment area etc. (Entity Discovery, Entity Recommendation, Entity Ranking)



Changing significance of an existing entity: it's changing relationships/attributes/metrics. e.g. increasing stake by an investor in an organization, increasing interaction between a person of interest and some criminal in an intelligence gathering scenario, decreasing number complaints for a particular product or service in a retail / consumer scenario. (Trend analysis, Distribution Analysis, Anomaly Detection)

Search and Exploration look for knowledge already available in the knowledge sources available to the system. They are necessary for Discovery but not sufficient

Confirmation of facts known to an SME of a domain is not discovery (listing all possible side effects of a drug which may have been mined from structured or unstructured data)

Taylor, Jamie. (Google - Knowledge Graph Schema Team.) 2018. Knowledge Graph. Panel “Enterprise-scale knowledge graphs”. International Semantic Web Conference (ISWC) 2018.

Smart Data

- is based on Big Data's methodology that
- assumes the ability to reveal the *unknown-unknowns*
- instead of taking the approach that one knows to do something in order to prove or disapprove the *known-unknowns*.



Turning Big Data into Smart Data

(Cont.) **3. Smart Data for DH**
→ in the context
of
LAMs' data

HOW to support DH

- 1) providing LAM data
- 2) serving humanities research

Two major types of challenges



Which process is the most challenging and difficult?



Deciding the scope of research data.

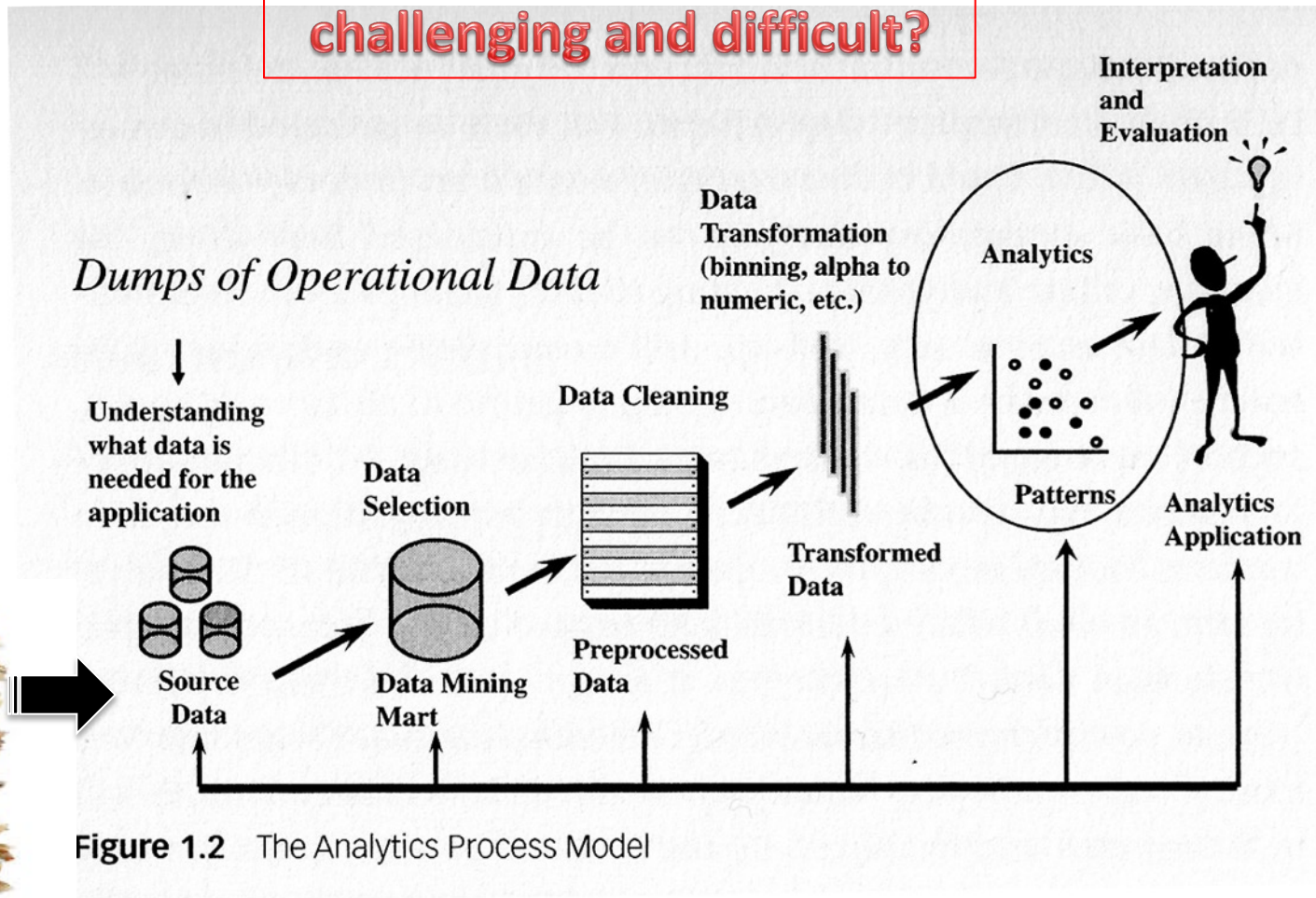


Figure 1.2 The Analytics Process Model

Figure image credit: Bart Baesens, 2014. Analytics in a Big Data World: The Essential Guide to Data Science and its Applications, Figure 1.2.

Special Report: Digital Humanities in Libraries

A new American Libraries/Gale Cengage survey shows uncertainty and adaptation in this growing field

By Stewart Varner and Patricia Hswe | January 4, 2016

Digital Humanities

Faculty Survey Results – December 2015

Executive Summary

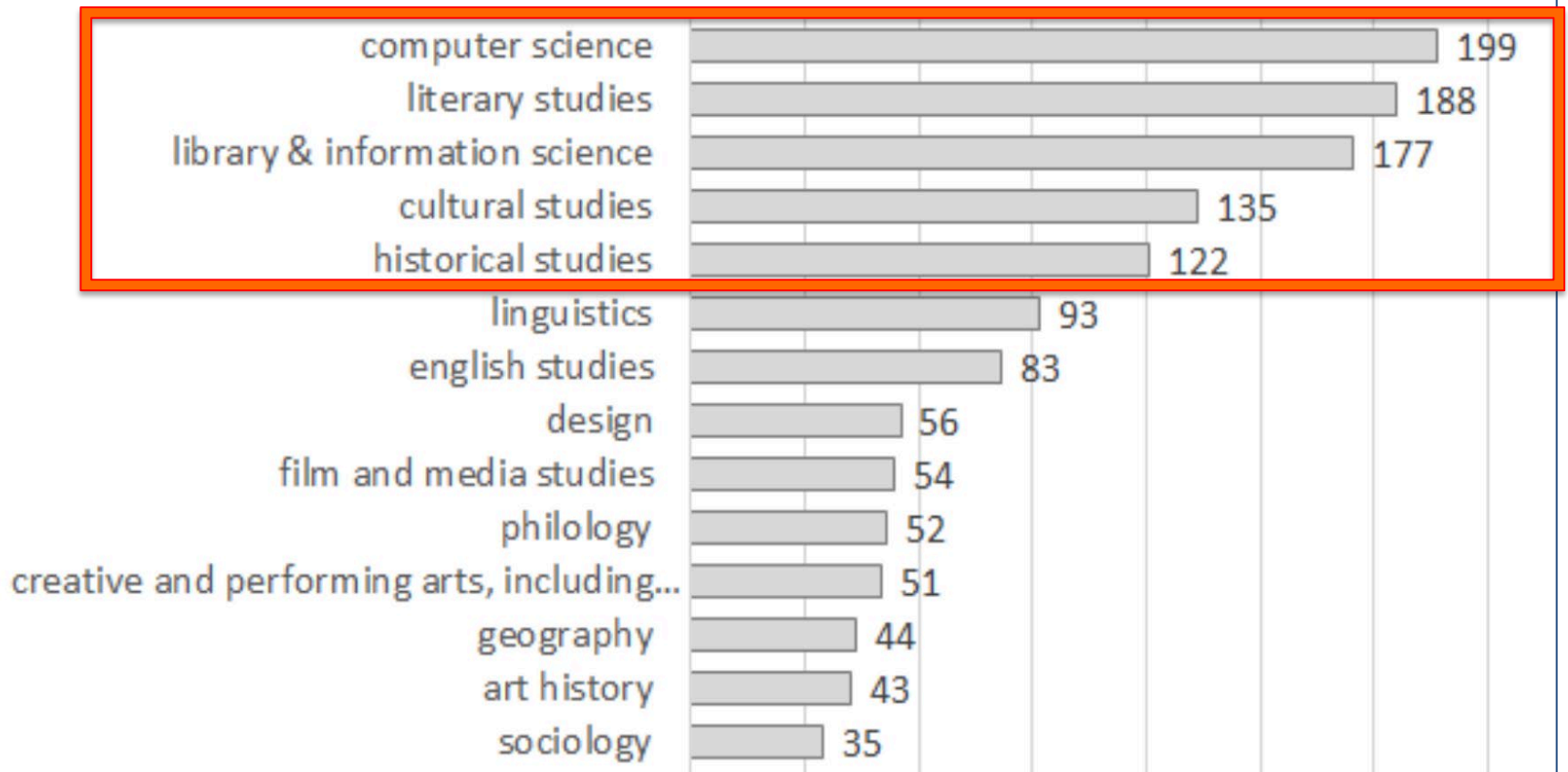
- Almost all faculty think that support in digital humanities elevates the importance of academic libraries.
 - Six out of ten faculty feel that a digital humanities center belongs in the library digital collections center.
 - In addition to having an institutional repository, over half of faculty also saw the role of the library to include advocating for coordinated digital support, packaging existing services together, or creating avenues for scholarly use of metadata.
 - Further, in their own work, over half also saw the role of the library to include general support, being a liaison for existing library services, providing training on tools, or helping find available sources.
- The main reasons faculty felt that it elevates the importance included seeing the library as more of a digital center, renewing the library as a central place for research, and demonstrating the value of the skills of the librarian.

Percent/Total Submissions with Discipline x

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near eastern studies 10
translation studies 9
theology 9
law 8
italian studies 8
disability studies 6

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Source: Weingart, S. (2017). Submissions to DH2017 (pt.1) [Web log post].

<http://scottbot.net/submissions-to-dh2017-pt-1/>

Data resources usually served through LAMs

LAM Data Examples

Structured

- bibliographies
- indexing & abstracting databases
- citation indexes
- catalogs of all kinds
- special collection portals
- metadata repositories
- curated research datasets
- name authorities
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Semi-structured

- Text Encoding Initiative (TEI) files
- archival finding aids
- value added/tagged resources
- unstructured portion within metadata descriptions

- data from Web crawling that need to be cleaned
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Unstructured

- documents, cultural artifacts, & original information-bearing objects
 - digitized or not-digitized
 - textual or non-textual
 - in all kinds of formats and media
 - Possibly of undetermined date and/or origin⁴²

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Stage 1. Digitization & Documentation



Image credit: Wikipedia

E.g., 2002 -- 2011, US IMLS
Grants to States program

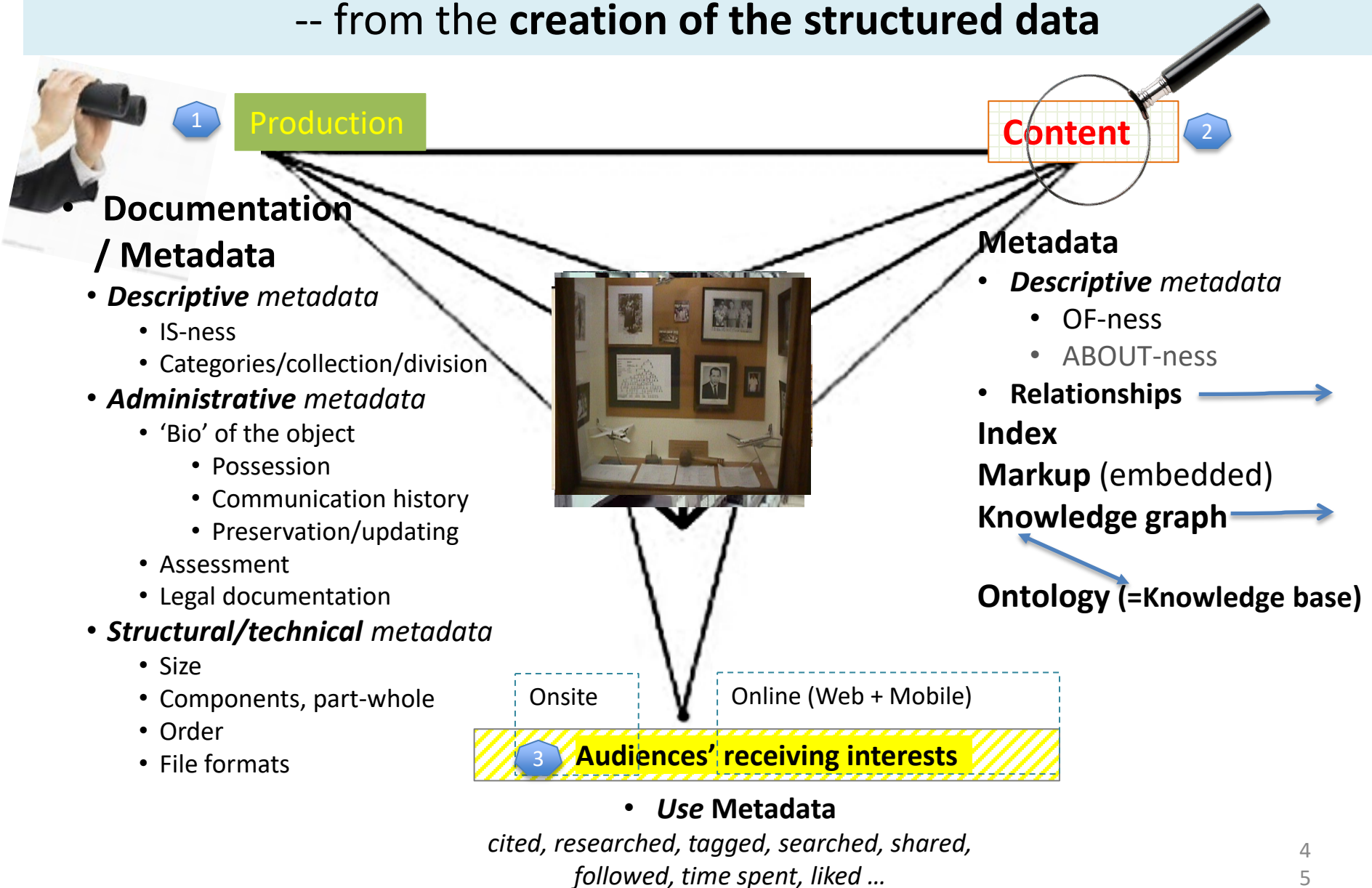
- supplied \$980 million
- to support increased access to digital information,
- including \$67 million toward the digitization of local history and special collections.

Smart Data + DH approach emphasizes:

- Transforming unstructured data to → structured data & semi-structured data

Three Perspectives

-- from the **creation of the structured data**



Stage 2. Datafication



Structured Data Trending:

- Machine ~~readable~~-understandable data
- Machine ~~readable~~ actionable data
- Accurate (no error) data in the processes of interlinking, citing, transferring, rights-permission, use and reuse
- One → to → Many uses and high efficiency processing data

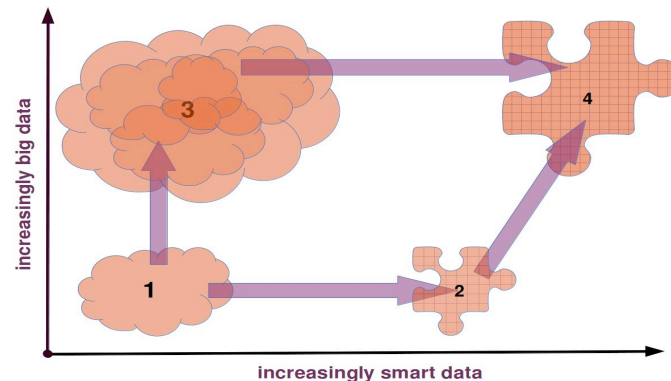


Image:
Christof
Schöch,
2013

Refer to specific cases at: Zeng, M. L. (2019). Semantic enrichment for enhancing LAM data and supporting digital humanities. *El profesional de la información*, 28(1), e280103. <https://doi.org/10.3145/epi.2019.ene.03>

Stage 3. Contextualization

The key opportunity – Large-scale integration and model-driven intelligence in a de-siloed and de-duplicated way

Previously dominant

Rule-based systems (includes KR)

Handcrafted knowledge” is the term DARPA uses; rule-based programming + procedure replication in process automation, + some knowledge representation (KR)

- Strong on logical reasoning in specific concrete contexts
 - Procedural + declarative programming + set theory, etc.
 - Deterministic
- Can't learn or abstract
- Still exceptionally common and useful

Perceiving



Learning



Abstracting



Reasoning



Example: Consumer tax software

On the rise and rapidly improving

Statistical machine learning

- Probabilistic
- From Bayesian algorithms to neural nets (yes, deep learning also)
- Strong on perceiving and learning (classifying, predicting)
- Weak on abstracting and reasoning
- Quite powerful in the aggregate but individually (instance by instance) unreliable
- Can require lots of data

Perceiving



Learning



Abstracting



Reasoning



Example: Facial recognition using deep learning/neural nets

Nascent, just beginning

Contextualized, model-driven approach

- Contextualized modeling approach-allows efficiency, precision and certainty
- Combines power of deterministic, probabilistic and description logic
- Allows explanations to be added to decisions
- Accelerates the training process with the help of specific, contextual human input
- Takes less data

Perceiving



Learning



Abstracting



Reasoning



Example: Explains first how handwritten letters are formed so machines can decide- less data needed, more transparency.

John Launchbury of DARPA (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N2L8AqkEDLs>), Estes Park Group and PwC research, 2017

Smart Data in the context of Big Data

Big Data

- Volume (data quantity)
- Velocity (data speed)
- Variety (data types & nature)
- Variability (data consistency)
- Veracity (data quality)

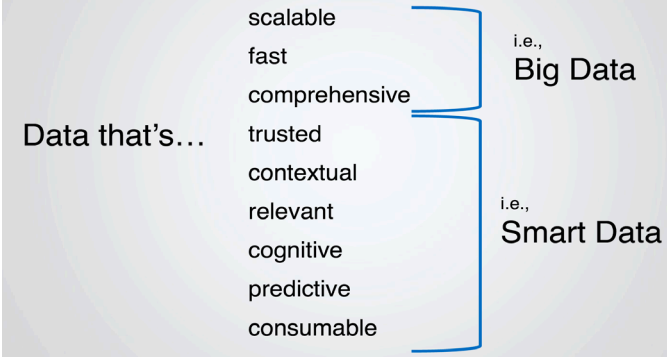


Smart Data

= The ability to achieve big insights from such data at any scale, great or small.

trusted
contextualized
relevant
cognitive
predictive
consumable

Smart decisions flow organically from...



Kobielus, James. (2016)

Source: Zeng, M.L. 2017 DOI: [10.1515/jdis-2017-0001](https://doi.org/10.1515/jdis-2017-0001)

Compiled based on Kobielus, James. (2016, June). *The Evolution of Big Data to Smart Data*.
Keynote at Smart Data Online 2016.

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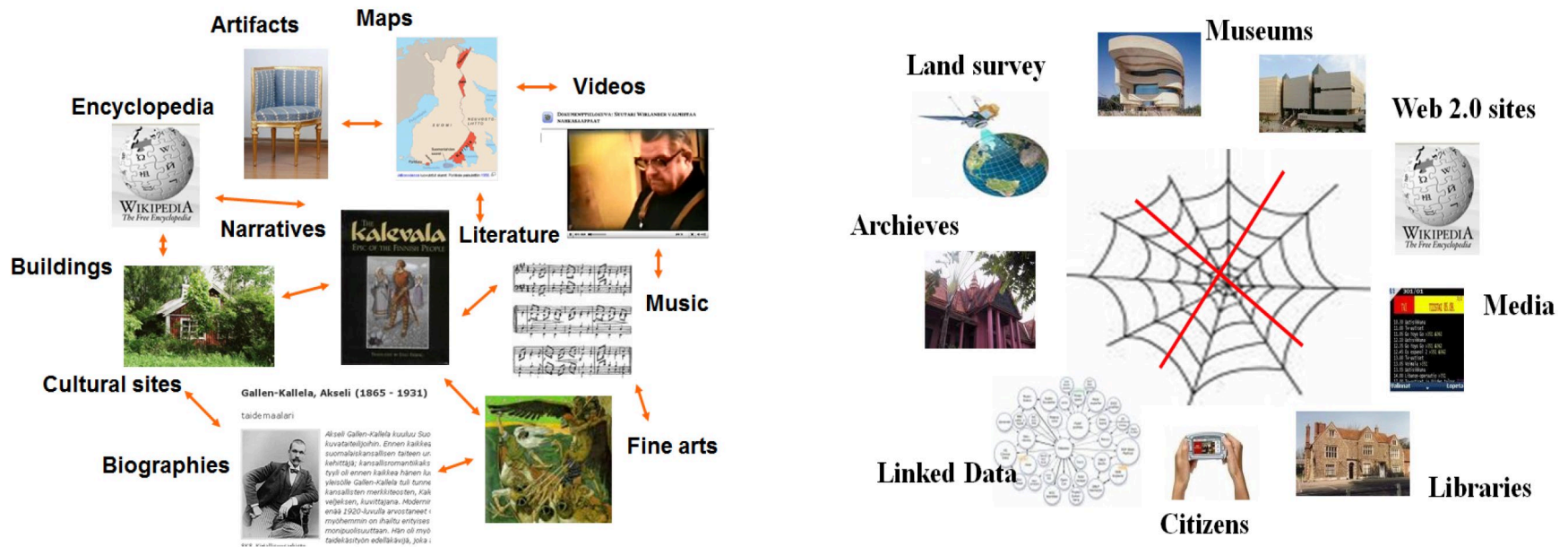
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a) Challenges for publishing Cultural Heritage (CH) collections on the Web

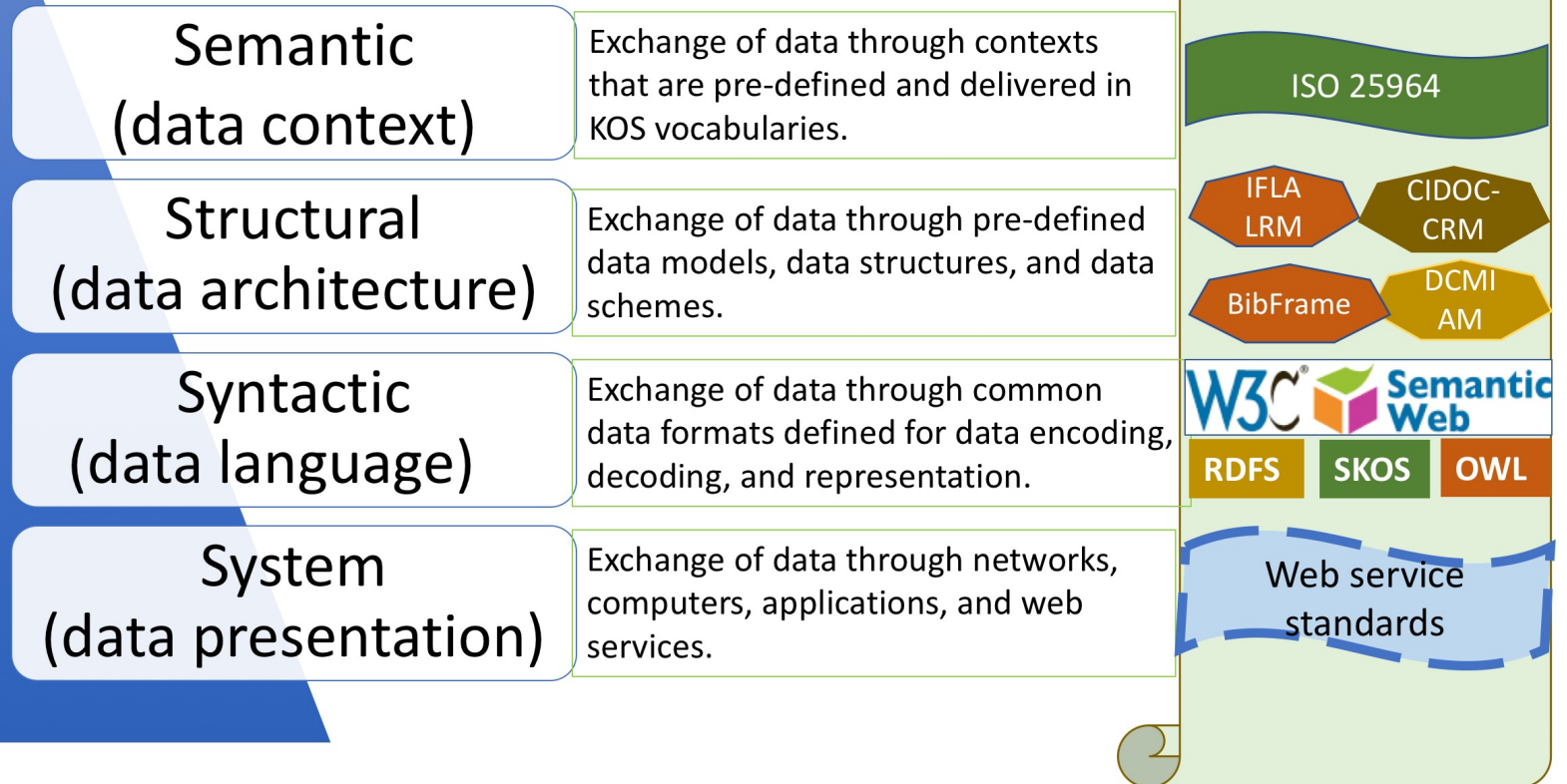


HOW TO make the heterogeneous CH contents semantically interoperable ... across the data silos

WHERE the standards and best practices are not compatible with each other

- Hyvönen, Eero. 2016. "Cultural Heritage Linked Data on the SemanticWeb: Three Case Studies Using the Sampo Model" VIII Encounter of Documentation Centres of Contemporary Art. Artium, Vitoria-Gasteiz, Spain, October 19-20, 2016.

Interoperability



Zeng, Marcia L. 2018. Interoperability. *ISKO Encyclopedia of Knowledge Organization (IEKO)*.

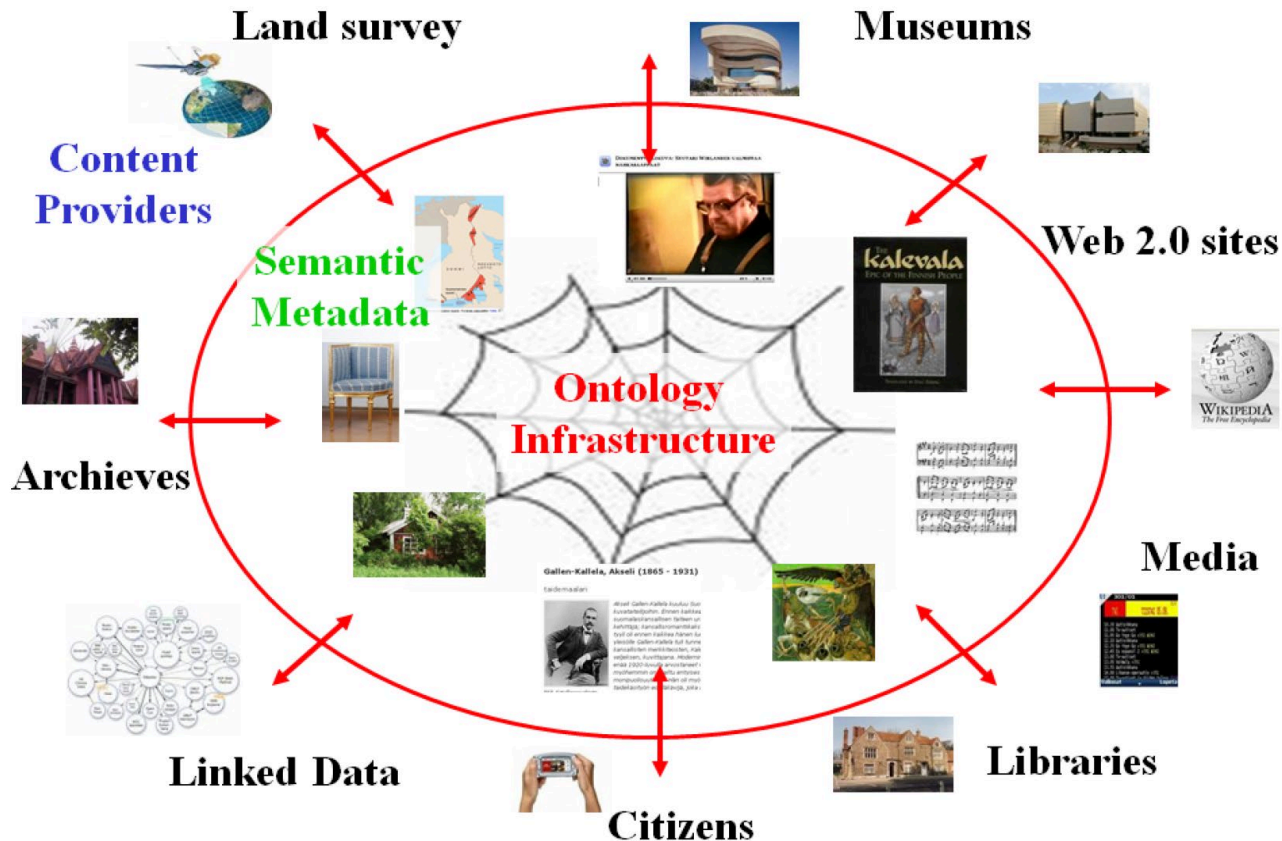
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<http://metadataetc.org/LOD/interoperability.html>

Approach: Sampo Model

a semantic model based on a shared ontology infrastructure in the middle



"Sampo" is a mythical machine or thing in Finnish folklore that gives you everything, but nobody really knows what it is.

. It includes mutually aligned metadata and shared domain ontologies, modeled using SW standards.

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Example:

The Sampo model and the portals

WarSampo

<https://www.sotasampo.fi/en/>

Data

- 8 datasets from different organizations
- 7.6 million triples in a SPARQL endpoint

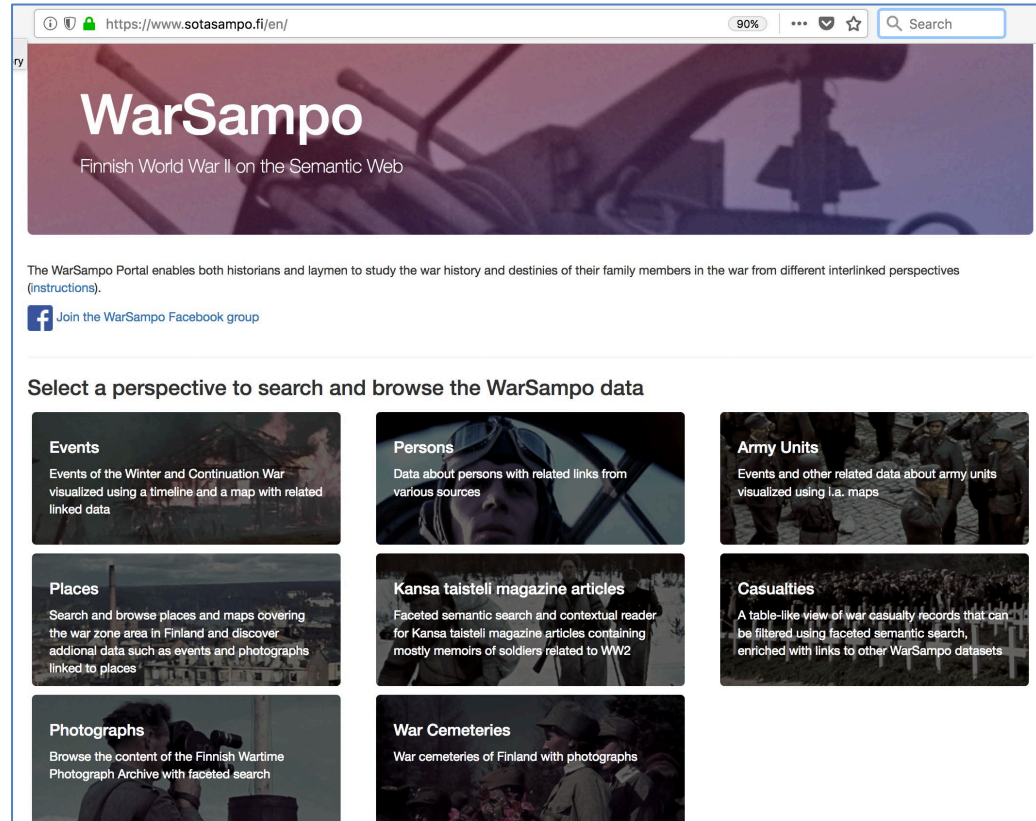
Ontologies and knowledge bases

- the **troops** and their hierarchies,
- **persons** with their ranks and roles,
- **place** -- historical places,
- **event** -- battles, politics, and other war time incidents,
- **time** periods,
- **weapons**,
- **vessels**, and
- a **subject matter** ontology.

<https://seco.cs.aalto.fi/publications/2016/hyvonon-et-al-warsa-dh2016.pdf>

- Published in November 2015
 - over 10,000 distinct visitors during the first 3 days
- WarSampo is one of the two winners at the 2017 LODLAM Challenge

Portal



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WarSampo

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Map

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Google

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Finland notified Moscow from Helsinki that it i...

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orted that Finnish t...

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The Soviet Union announced that the Finnish res...

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The Finnish go...

Valtioneuvosto...

Talvisota

Talvisota

Winter War Events

Choose an event from the timeline or map.

There are two timelines beneath the map. The upper one is an overview of the war (one month between each vertical line). In the middle of this timeline is a time frame shown as a black box. Events that occurred within this time frame are shown in the lower timeline. The vertical lines in the lower timeline represent days. You can move the timelines by dragging them with your mouse.

Click on an event on the timeline or map to get more information regarding it. Events with **blue** text have related photographs.

The map displays events that fall within the time frame of the upper timeline, if the place of the event is available. The events are linked to places programmatically so there may be errors in event placements. The map also displays a heatmap of Finnish casualties during the selected time frame.

Settings, such as the date range of photos retrieved for events, can be modified by clicking on "Settings" in the navigation bar on the top of the page. Clicking on "View Help" on the navigation bar displays this information.

Possible errors can be reported by [sending feedback](#).

Event color codes

- Military activity
- Political activity
- Other
- Currently selected event

Casualties during 27.11.1939 - 3.12.1939: 254 | [Show additional information](#)

<https://www.sotasampo.fi/en/events/winterwar>

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Example:

The Sampo model and the portals

BiographySampo

<http://biografiasampo.fi/>

Finnish National Biographies
on the Semantic Web

Based on extracting
knowledge graphs from
13 000 biographies
(multiple language choices.)

View by:

- Case
- Seating
- Life in maps
- Statistics
- Networks
- Contact search
- Language analysis

Video: “ BiographySampo - Artificial Intelligence
Reading Biographies for the Semantic Web”

<https://vimeo.com/328419960>

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The screenshot displays the BiographySampo website, which is a Finnish biographies network of the Semantic Web. The main header features the title "Biografiasampo" and the subtitle "Finnish biographies network of the Semantic Web". Below the header, a paragraph describes the service: "Biografiasampo allows the Finns' biography, persons and groups of persons study of digital human sciences methods. The core material of the service is the Finnish Literature Society Kansallisbiografia and other databases, a total of approx. 13 000 biography, which is enriched with other external data sets. Please click on the view of the application materials. Additional information guide .".

The interface offers several application views of data sets:

- Cast**: Find biographies of flexibility from different angles.
- Seating**: Search and explore the lives of the through seats.
- life in Maps**: Visualize several biographies on maps.
- Statistics**: Groups through the life stories of statistics.
- networks**: Explore the networks of historical figures.
- contact Search**: Search the connections between people and places.
- language Analysis**: Explore the language used in biographies.

The bottom section shows a detailed view of a specific biography, including a bar chart titled "Henkilöjakauma vuosikymmenittäin, yhteensä 423 henkilöä" (Person distribution by decade, total 423 persons) and a histogram titled "Elinikä, otos: 393, keskiarvo: 68.75, keskijanjonta: 9.93" (Lifetime, sample: 393, average: 68.75, median: 9.93).

Biografiasampo

Finnish biographies network of the Semantic Web

Fig. Comparing the life charts of two target groups, admirals and generals (left) and clergy (right) of the historical Grand Duchy of Finland (1809–1917).

Comparisons: 19th century clergy vs. generals & admirals

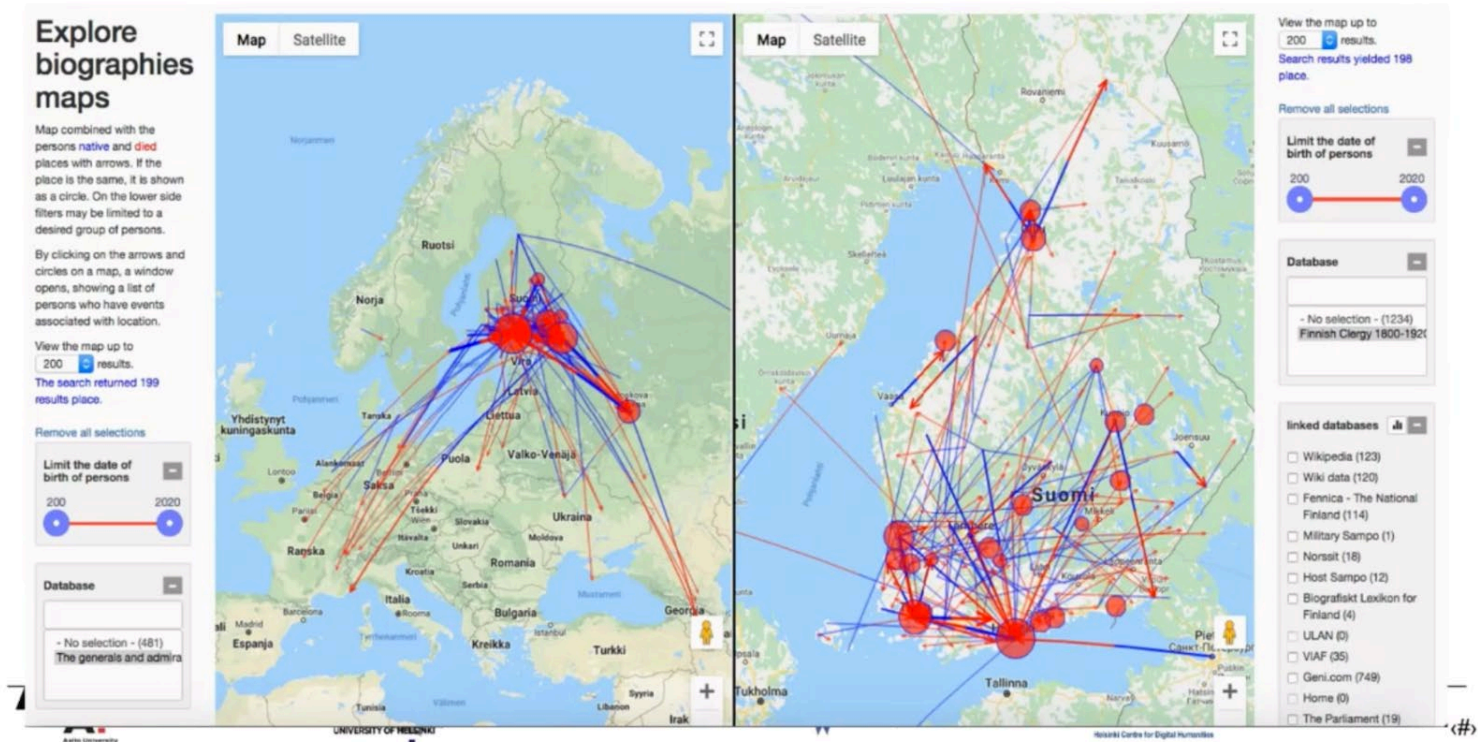


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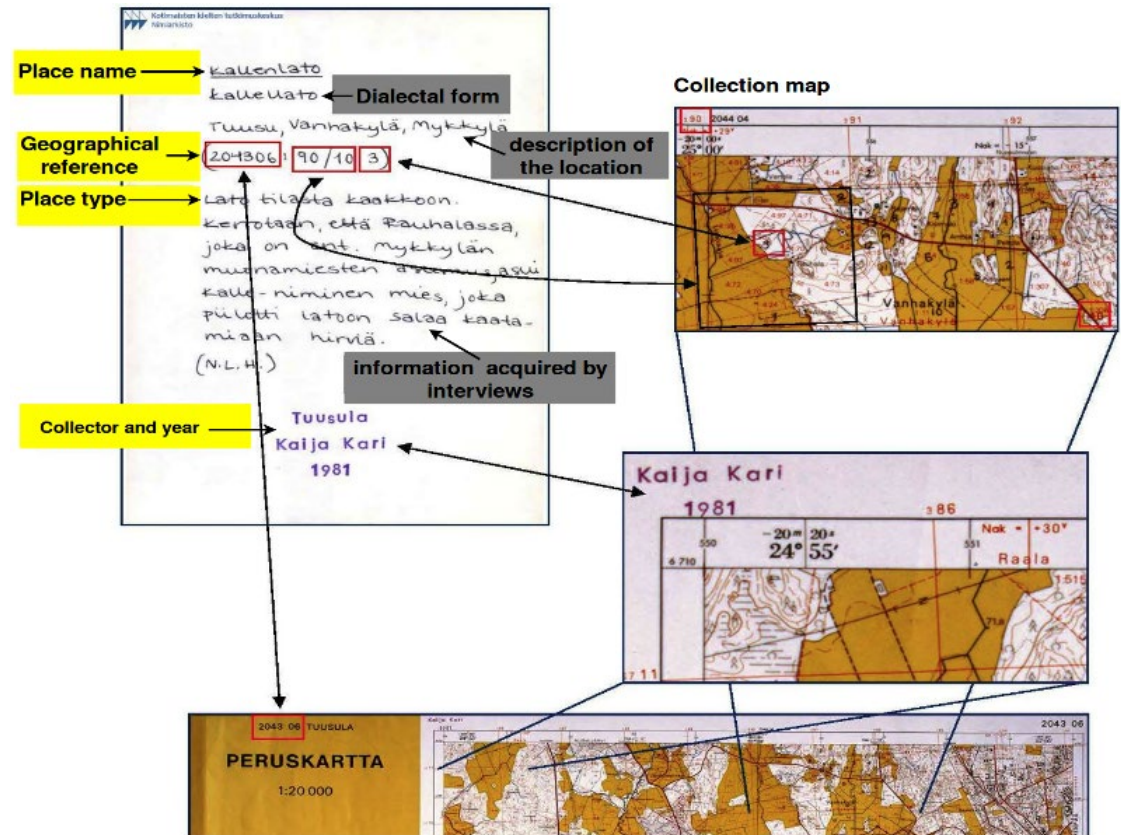
NameSampo

<http://nimisampo.fi>

- A Linked Open Data
Infrastructure and Workbench for
Toponomastic Research

- Based on over 2 million places
names collected in Finland and
beyond.

- The objective of the project was
to convert the place name entry
slips, collection maps, and the
attribute and metadata related to
them into digital format.



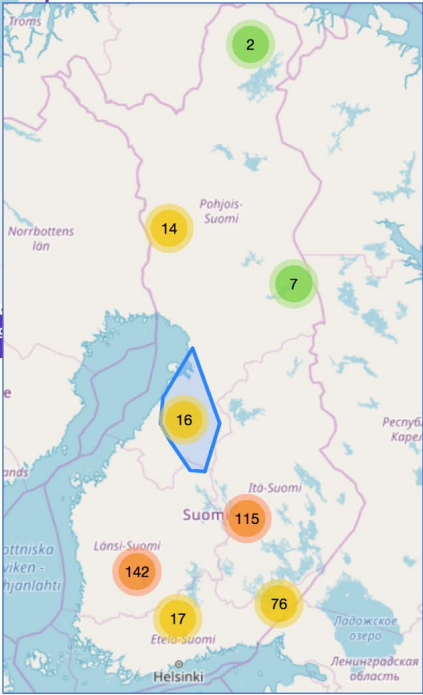
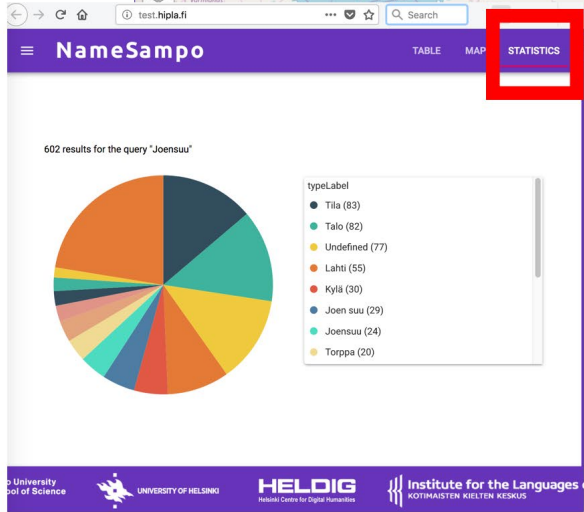
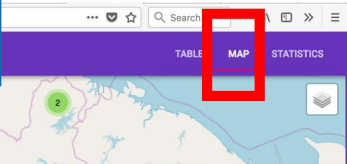
<https://seco.cs.aalto.fi/projects/nimisampo/>

The service at <http://nimisampo.fi> got 9500 users during the first weekend.

Checking the place: Joensuu

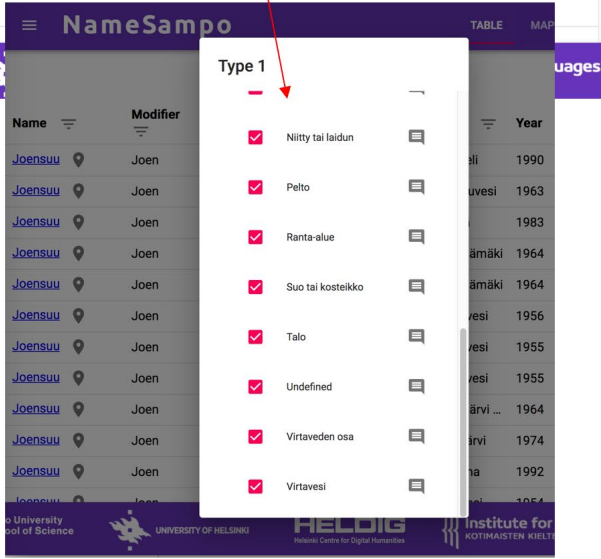


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NameSampo							
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Search place names							
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Joensuu	Joen	suu	Talo	Uudistila	Pello	1962	DNA
Joensuu	Joen	suu	Undefined	Undefined	Längelmäki		DNA
Joensuu	Joen	suu	Undefined	Undefined	Merikarvia	1975	DNA
Joensuu	Joen	suu	Undefined	Undefined	Pattijoki	1989	DNA
Joensuu	Joen	suu	Undefined	Undefined	Evijärvi	1983	DNA
Joensuu	Joen	suu	Undefined	Undefined	Alajärvi	1964	DNA
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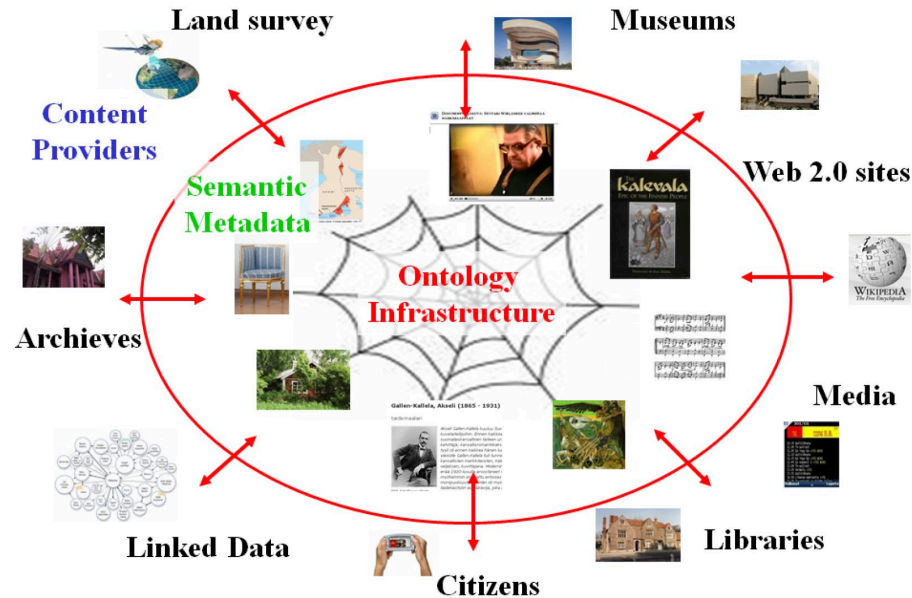
Samos development (2008-2020)

- **CultureSampo** – Finnish Culture on the Semantic Web (2008)
- **TravelSampo** - Mobile Contextualized Services of Cultural Tourism (2011)
- **BookSampo** – Finnish Fiction Literature on the Semantic Web (2011) [2 million users in 2018]
- **WarSampo** – Finnish WW2 on the Semantic Web (2015) [230 000 users in 2018]
 - » + War Cemeteries application [2017]
 - » + War Prisoners application [to be published 29.11.2019]
- **BiographySampo** - Finnish Biographies on the Semantic Web (2018) [15 000 users]
- **NameSampo** – Linked Data Workbench for Toponomastic Research (2019) [30 000 users]
- **WarVictimSampo 1914-1922** – National War History, with National Archives of Finland, to be published 20.11.2019
- **MMM – Manuscript Migration Mapper**, medieval manuscripts with Oxford, Pennsylvania, IRHT (Paris), to be published in 23.11.2019
- **FindSampo** – Archaeology & Citizen Science of metal detectorists, with Finnish Heritage Agency (forthcoming 2020)
- **LawSampo** – Finnish Legislation and Case Law, with Ministry of Justice of Finland (forthcoming 2020)
- **AcademySampo** – Historical Finnish Academic People in 1640–1899 (forthcoming 2020)

Source: Hyvönen, Eero, 2019-11-18 email conversation. Paper to be published in 2020.

List of 20+ ontologies: <https://seco.cs.aalto.fi/ontologies/>

The Take-aways from the Sampo model



LAMs Data's direction →

Data Silos → Data Lakes → Data Planets → Data Universe

Serving humanities research

Two major types of challenges

- a) Challenges for publishing cultural heritage collections on the Web
- b) Challenges for easier access & effective usage of LOD datasets by humanities researchers

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The screenshot shows the DataHub website interface. The header includes the DataHub logo and navigation links for Datasets and Organizations. The main content area displays a search bar with the text 'SPARQL' and a search button. Below the search bar, the results show '11,356 datasets found'. A blue cylinder icon with a network diagram is labeled 'DUMP'. An illustration on the right shows a person standing next to a brick wall with a trophy on top, labeled 'However...'. A red speech bubble says 'Great!'.

SPARQL

DUMP

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Great!

However...

TAXREF-LD: Linked Data French Taxonomic Register

TAXREF-LD is the Linked Data representation of TAXREF (<https://inpn.mnhn.fr/programme/referentiel-taxonomique-taxref?lg=en>), the French national taxonomical register for fauna,...

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Simulation of South America flooding areas from SRTM 90m

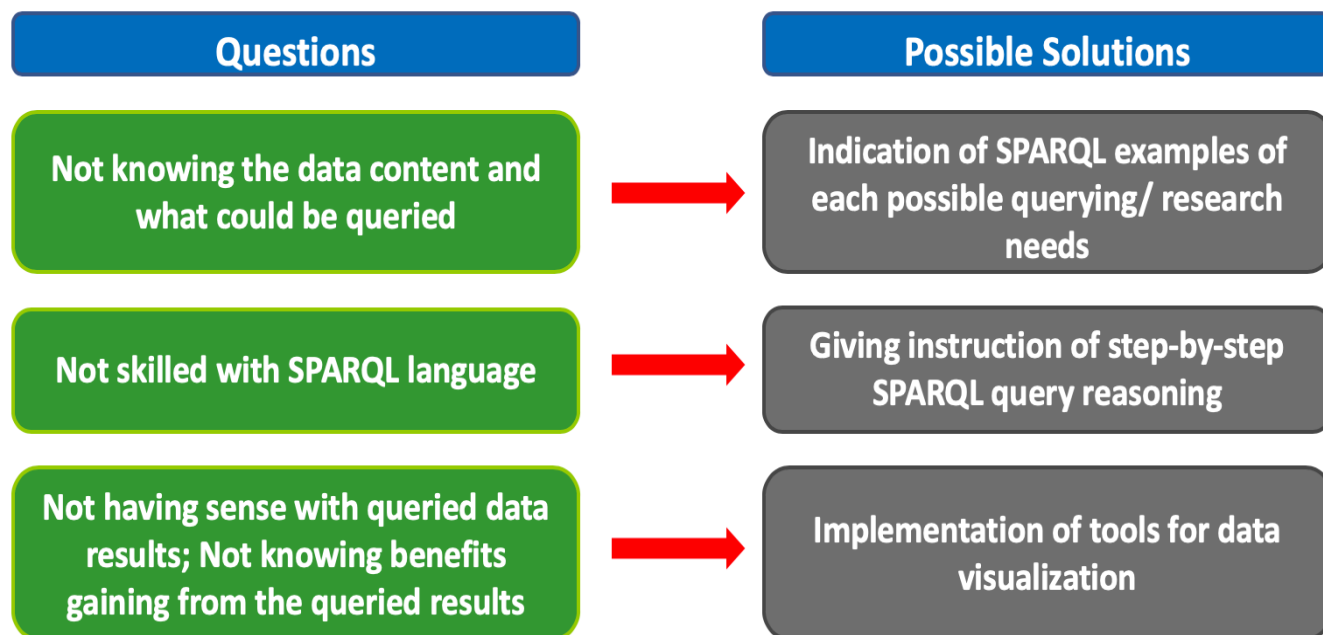
Simulation of flooding area from drainage network. The drainage network is extracted from SRTM altimetry data in a horizontal resolution of 90 m and using a threshold = 2.400 M....

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Data Access

Constructing a user-friendly environment for SPARQL query

Quo vadis, LOD? Problem of data reuse after data conversion

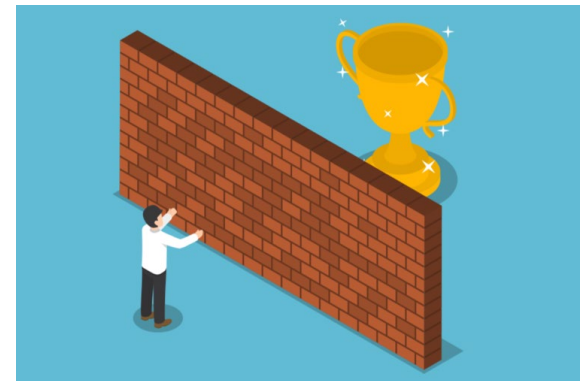


Sophy S. Chen, Lu-yen Lu. Linked Open Data and Possible Approaches for Constructing a free Platform for Application: Cases from ASCDC's LOD Datasets, Dublin Core 2019 Conference, 26. September, 2019; Seoul, KOREA

What is needed for action:

- The LOD Datasets need appropriate practices for:
 - Effective usages by users (human and machine)
- The barrier lies in the **communication about** the datasets rather than in their own structures, formats, or contents.
- Need to take the full advantages of LOD datasets as knowledge bases (i.e., not just the published RDF triple stores).
- Follow best practices and share products for LOD delivery
 - *W3C Data On the Web Best Practices* recommendation.2017.
<https://www.w3.org/TR/dwbp/>
 - FAIR principles
<https://www.go-fair.org/fair-principles/>

Image credit:
<https://www.liquidanalytics.com/blog/2018/7/13/overcome-your-ai-barriers>



Cases

- Effort: Liberate users from unfamiliar query languages & provide effective analytics outcomes
 - Case 1: Online Coins of the Roman Empire (OCRE),
<http://numismatics.org/ocre/>
- Effort: Provide query examples to users, reveal the rich contents of the datasets
 - Case 2: Wikidata Query Service
 - EXAMPLE. Query : *Map of economists in PM20* by place of birth*
Query available at:
https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Wikidata:WikiProject_20th_Century_Press_Archives/Use_cases
- Effort: Enable users to master queries through template, Turn LOD KOS into easy-to-use knowledge bases
 - Case 3. Gerry Vocabularies
 - <http://vocab.getty.edu/queries>

The Take-aways

Efforts

Towards Easier Access & Effective Usage of LOD Datasets

See also: [three cases](#).

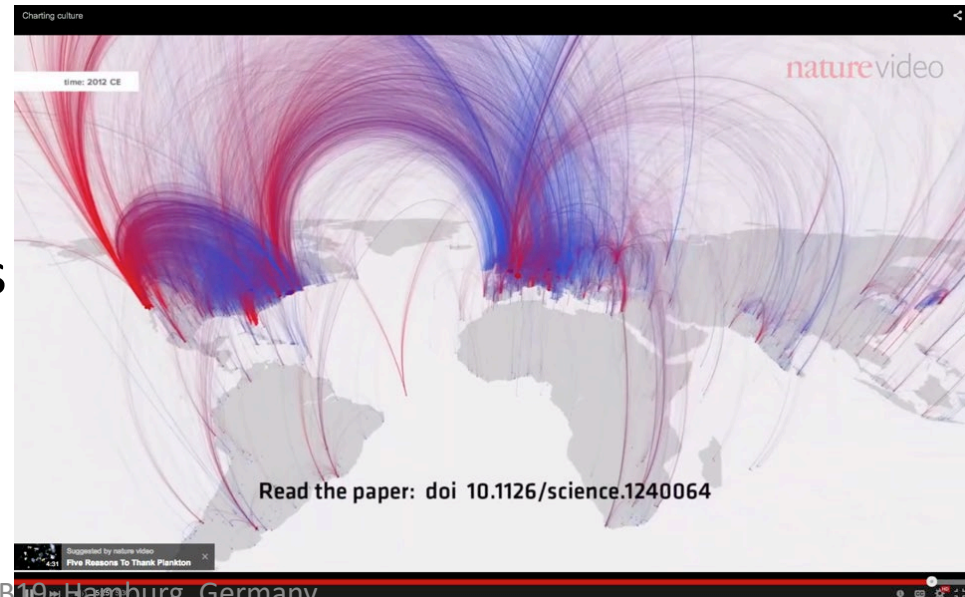
1. Aggregated RDF triples are presented with user-understandable interface (e.g., DBpedia).
2. Provide query examples to users
Reveal the rich contents of the datasets (e.g., WIKIDATA)
3. Enable users to master queries through template, turning LOD KOS into easy-to-use knowledge bases (e.g., Getty Vocabularies LOD).
4. Liberate users from unfamiliar query languages & provide effective analytics outcomes (e.g., OCRE)
Code-free quantitative analysis tools,
comprehensive comparison and exploration options, user-friendly webpages
5. Expose datasets to machines, transfer structured data into knowledge graphs

Conclusion (1/2)

Advanced technologies now allow researchers :

(under the umbrella of Big Data and the Semantic Web)

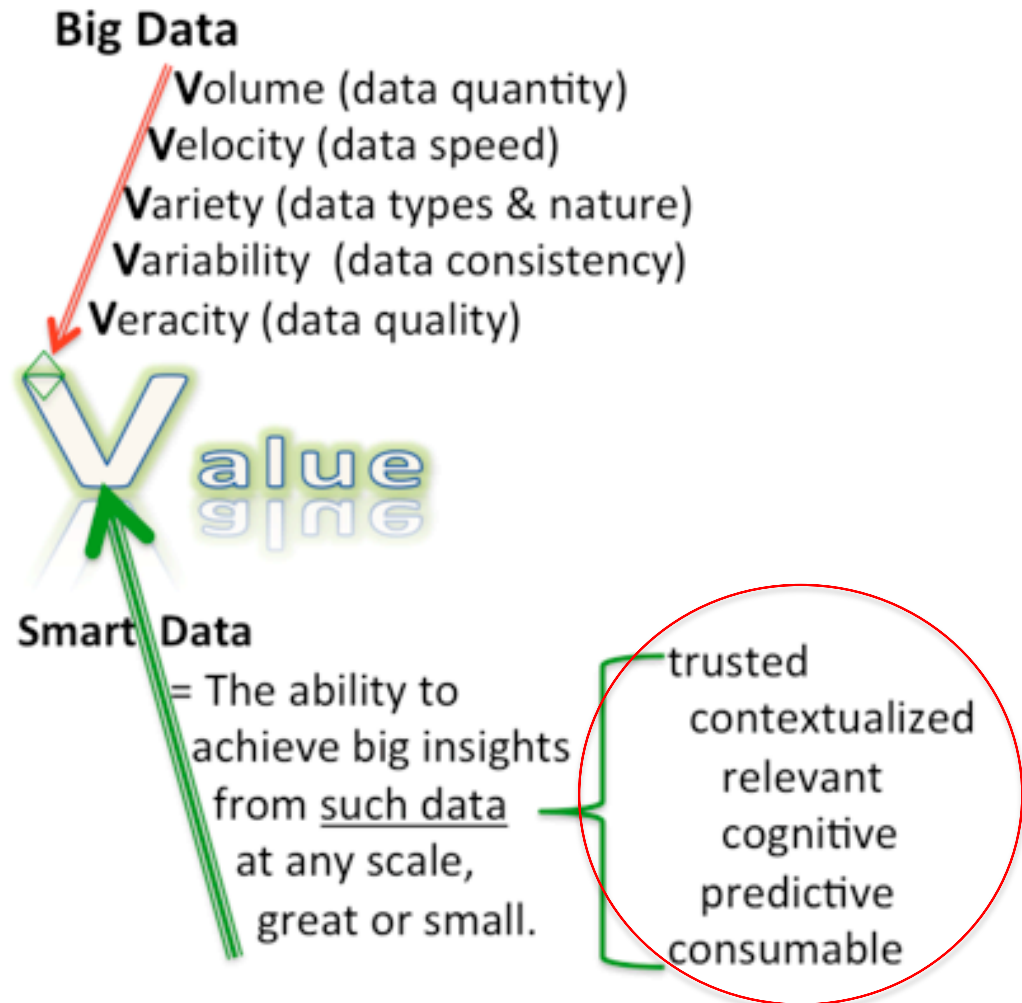
- to access and reuse large volumes of diverse data,
- to discover patterns and connections formerly hidden from view,
- to reconstruct the past,
- to discover impacts in real and virtual environments, and
- to bring the complex intricacies of innovations to light, all as never before.



Conclusion (2/2)

- Challenges and opportunities co-exist.
- It is certain that Smart Data will continue to have extraordinary value in digital humanities.
- Data provided by LAMs and cultural heritage institutions are treasures for all humanities researchers.

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Thank you!



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