

**Visualisation and its disruptive/emancipatory uses  
(discussant: Paul Wouters) :**



# The web of Challenges of Forthcoming Platforms of Digital Studies. Emancipation and Context of Uses

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CorTexT Platform



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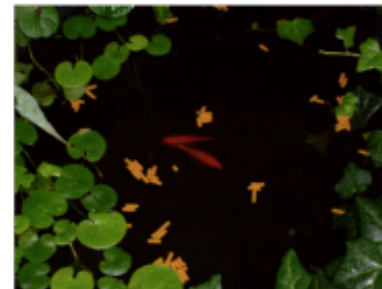
# Balkanization of Disciplines and the challenge of Ecosystem of Platforms

A creole Landscape



- **Many sub-disciplines**
- Scientometrics
- Informetrics
- Webometrics
- Webstudies
- Network Studies
- CWS studies
- Information Extraction
- TAL
- Knowledge visualisation

- **Tracking Projects**
- Platforms de Natural Language Processing
- Platforms of Science & Technology Mapping
- Digital Humanities Platforms  
Plateforme Humanités Digitales



## Ecosystems of Platforms

# STS Reminder: The agency of vizualization in Scientific production

- **Scientific Facts (SF)** are **Immutable Mobiles (IM)** that are **Outcomes of an Institutionalized Experimental Agency (IEA)**
- The **heterogeneity** of this IEA is constitutive of **scientific system of practices (SSP)**: Technical devices + « Small hands » + Discourse + Human Agents + Rules/norms
- The **unaccomplished complete description** of the IEA stand for the **accountability** of the IM and enables **Interpretative Flexibility** in research communities

Le « pédofil » de Boa Vista –  
montage photo-philosophique\*



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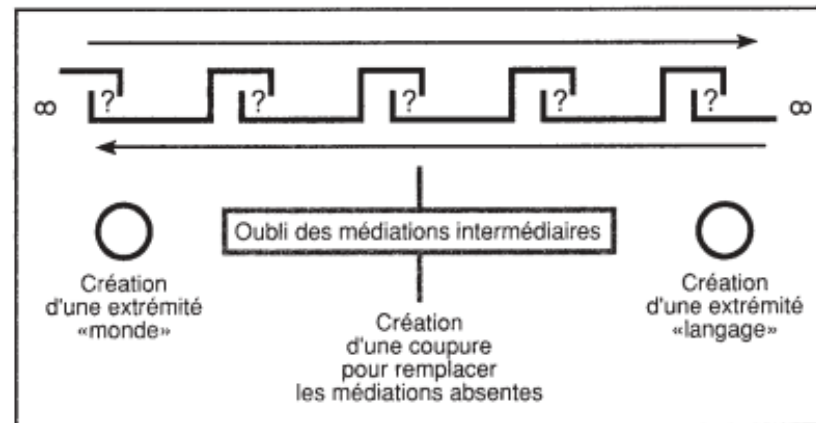
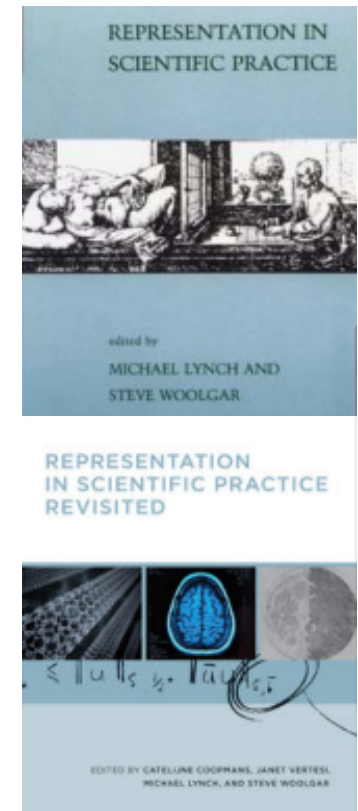


FIGURE 11.24.





# What about available vizualization drivers already in datasets ?

*scientific productions*

*specific databases*

*Media-web productions*

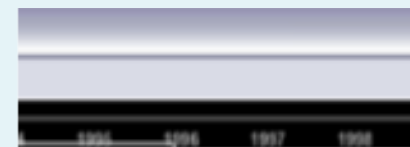
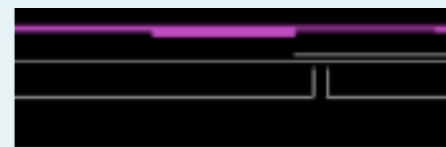
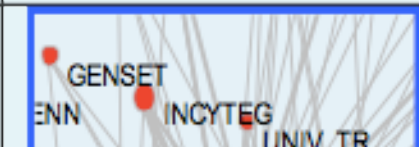
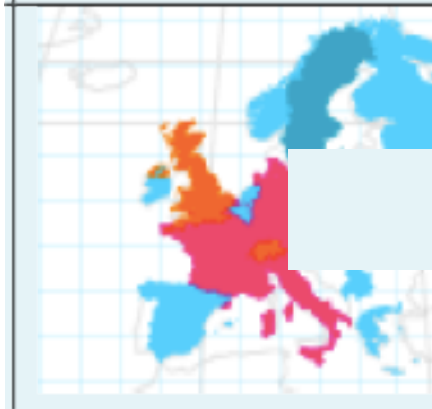


**SPACE**

**TIME**

**CONTENT**

**ACTORS & NETWORKS**



**Dimensions of Knowledge Viz.**



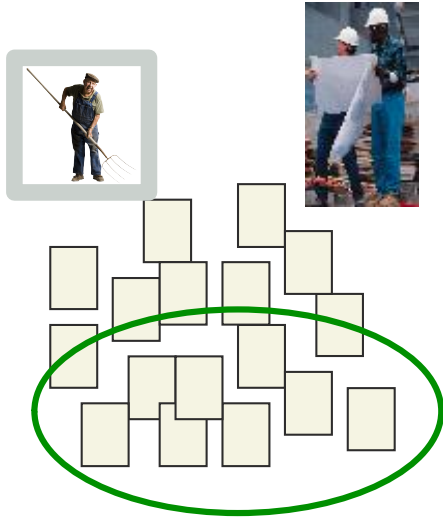
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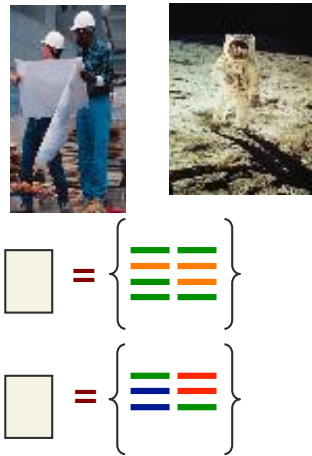
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# The Human & Technical agency of Viz. Production



Constitution of corpus: capture and parasitism



Attribution of descriptors

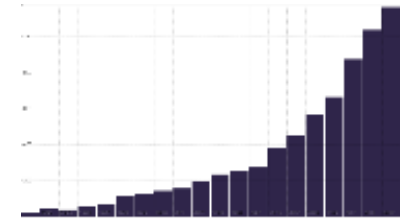
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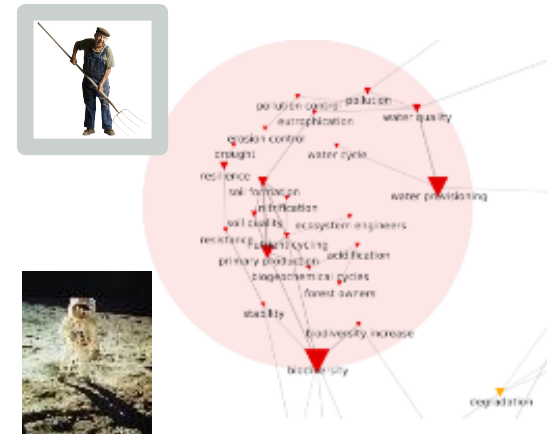
*Indirect Ascription*

Processed & Stored from Knowledge Extraction

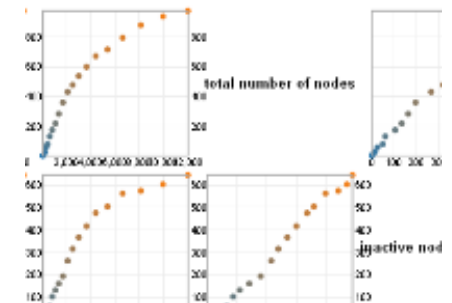
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Viz of calculated relationnal structures



Viz. of statistical or distributional properties

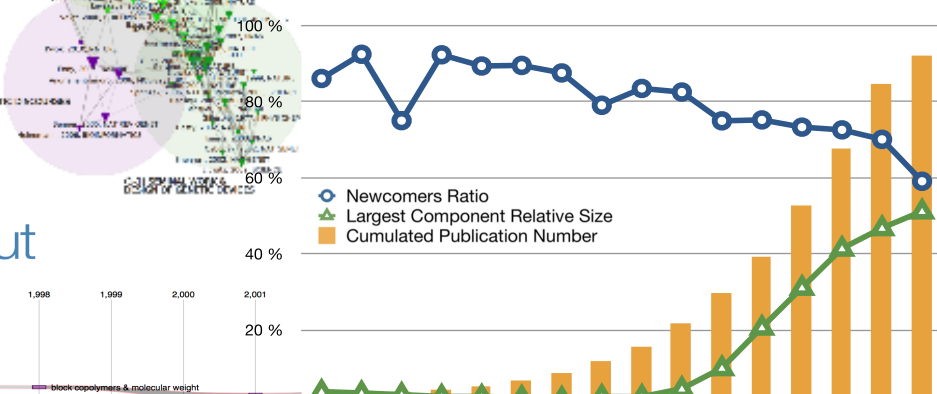
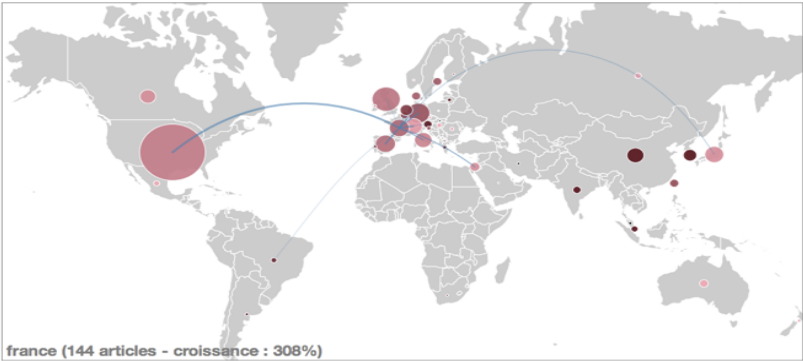


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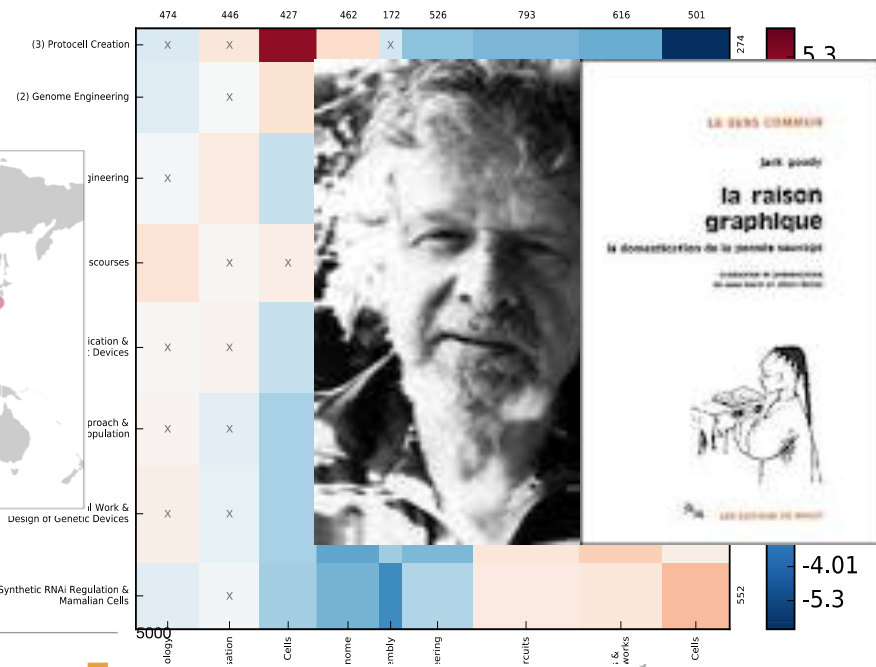
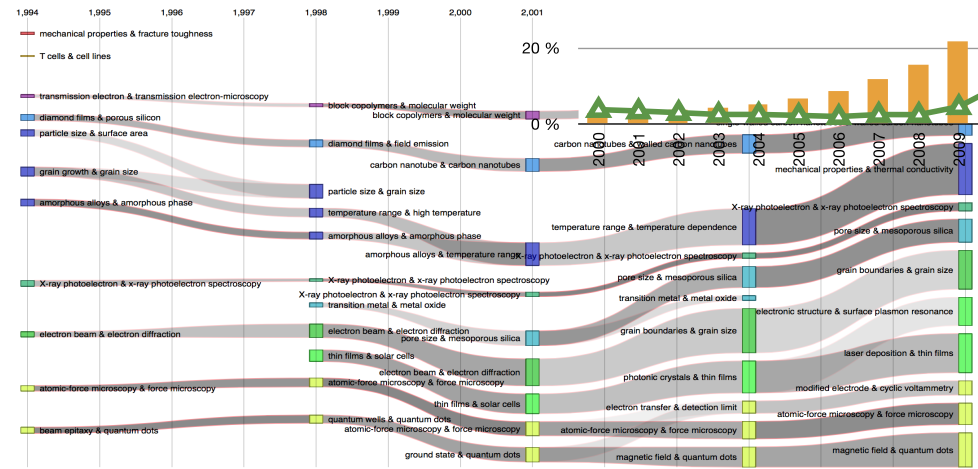
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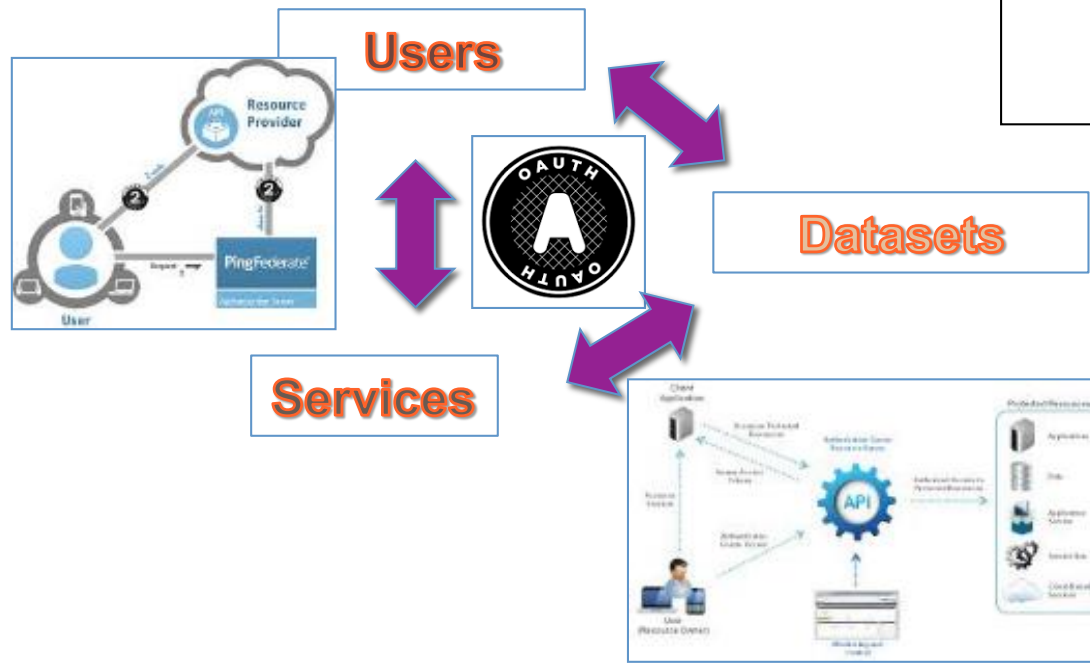
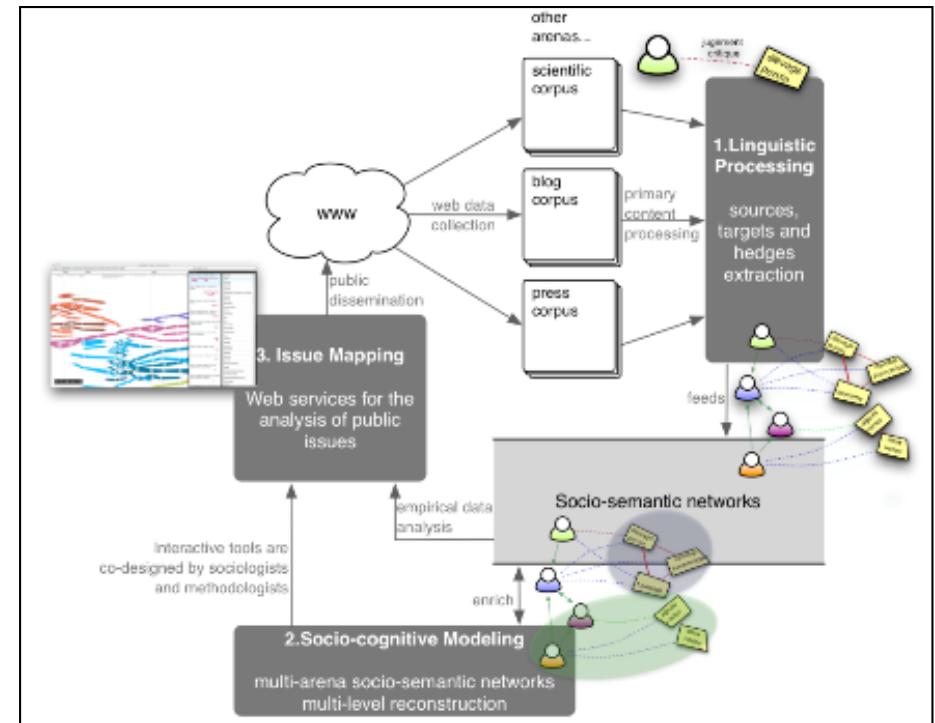
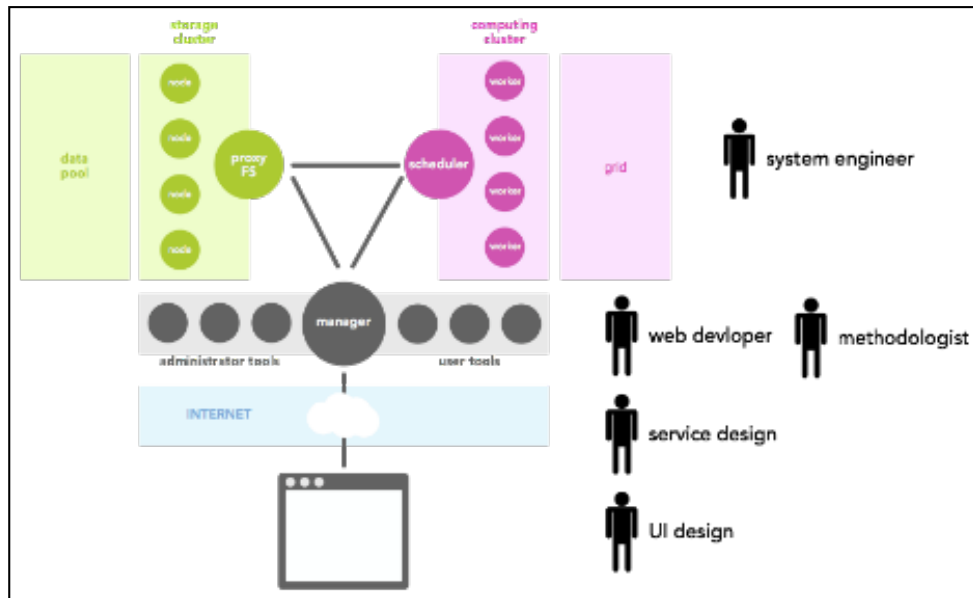
# CorTexT Viz.



## Tubes Layout



# Techniques, Competencies and Organization






# Context of use of CorTextT viz.

- Science Mapping for Science Policy Studies
- Ecology of Knowledge & Infrastructure
- Scientific Community Landscape Modeling
- Characterizing the emergence of scientific communities
- Mapping Issue Framing
- Digital Public Spaces & Politics
- Spatial dynamics & Knowledge production


# Tailoring CorTextT use to Context (0)

## CorTextT as a platform for Scientific Production in STS

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**Making taxonomy environmentally relevant.  
Insights from an All Taxa Biodiversity Inventory**

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**ABSTRACT**

For several decades taxonomy has been marginalized in academic labs and universities. Today, rising concerns over biodiversity and ecosystem services are creating an unprecedented opportunity for it to be viewed as a crucially relevant field. This article aims to scrutinize how the biodiversity concerns entail new collaboration designs between taxonomists and nature managers and between taxonomists and ecologists. Our key point is that taxonomy's environmental relevance is not given: instead, taxonomic data have to be made relevant by taxonomists and their partners in specific collaborative and organizational arrangements. The article draws on an empirical study of an All Taxa Biodiversity Inventory (ATBI) in a national park in the French Alps, including an ethnographic survey combined with scientometric analysis. It was found that the collaboration initiated in the ATBI between taxonomists, ecologists and the park managers was paved with disappointments and reorientations because it partly failed to address the tension between a taxonomic and an ecological approach to the relevance of taxonomic data. The rise of biodiversity and ecosystem services concerns constitutes a "double-edged sword" for taxonomists: while there is greater opportunity for taxonomists to render their work visible through new research collaboration arrangements with ecologists, it also entails a risk that they remain mere data providers for nature managers and ecologists interested in ecosystem functioning.

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# Tailoring CorText use to Context (1)

CorText as a  
platform for  
Scientific  
Communities  
Strategic reflection

## Chapter 4

### Textual analysis and scientometric mapping of the dynamic knowledge in and around the IFSA community

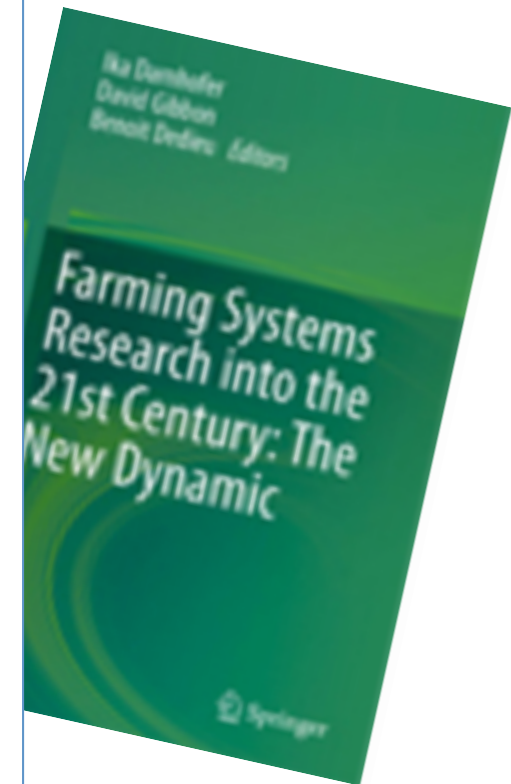
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# Tailoring CorTextT use to Context (2)

## CorTextT as a platform for Research Domain positioning and analysis

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### The place of agricultural sciences in the literature on ecosystem services

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We performed a quantitative and qualitative analysis of the scientific literature on ecosystem services in order to help tracing a research agenda for agricultural sciences. The ecosystem services concept now lies at the heart of current developments to address global environmental change. Do agricultural sciences generate knowledge that covers this emerging theme? An analysis of scientific production allowed us to return to the ecological origins of this concept and see how little it has been appropriated by agricultural sciences until now, despite major focus on the issue of agro-ecosystems in the literature. Agricultural sciences tend to be more active in the field of environmental services, defined as services rendered by humans to ecosystems. The main studied services are those which have already been clearly identified and which act in synergy. Less attention is paid to the antagonisms between different services. These findings call for the implementation of agricultural research programmes that will consider the socio-agro-ecosystem as a whole and broaden the traditional issues addressed by agricultural sciences. We insist on three main management and operational issues that needs to be overcome if this is to be done: working at the landscape scale, increasing inter-disciplinary collaborations and take uncertainties into account.

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# Tailoring CorTextT use to Context (3)

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## CorTextT as a platform for Impact analysis of Public Research Programme



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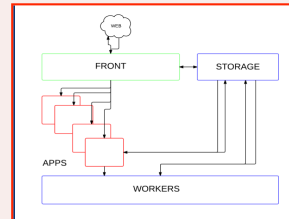
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# Datasets and Analytics: running Digital Infrastructures is a Technoscientific Dream !

## Datasets

Is the paradigm of Techno@-science (big data + big silico structure + Engineering + Computer Sciences) « transferable » to Social and Human Sciences?



Dedicated analytical resources to Datasets

Local Scientific CoP

Materiality of Datasets

Cognitive-Silico capacity

Socio-Cognitive capacity

DataSets have...  
&  
*Analytics* needs ...

Access  
&  
*Protocols*

Structure  
&  
*IT Development*

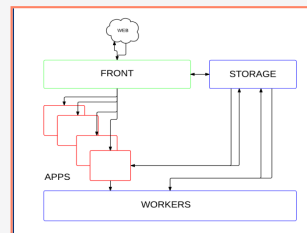
Meaning  
&  
*Training*

## Analytics

Materiality of Analytics

Cognitive-Silico capacity

Socio-Cognitive capacity



Analytical resources of Data Sciences (Linked Data, Triple Store, Scripts, Algo., Viz.)

Global Scientific Domain

# Two statements

- The sub-politics of viz. is a matter of domestication of various and heterogeneous contexts of uses: it is not “goodies for dummies” !
- The sub-politics of infra-structuring viz. is a matter of deep transformations of the academic business: it is not “Digital Humanities at no-cost” !



# The web of Challenges of Forthcoming Platforms of Digital Humanities/studies ?

## An Epistemic Challenge for STS Researchers

- Pixelisation of sciences/society debates on the web
- Streams of d@t@ in any production system or business activities
- Time and Space of Research Activities (extraction of massive set of data, artificial experimenting, practices accountability)

## Political Changes with Science-in-Society Accountability

Tools & Skills for Science Policy following an Alliance of Artificial Intelligence and Human & Social Sciences: library sciences, scientometrics, research management, collaborative accountability, web design

## A technological Challenge for old-IA

Tools & Skills for the design of technological platforms for research: pluridisciplinary work between IT Engineers, Linguistic and Information Science and Human & Social Scientists (historian, sociologist, economist,...)