Reconstructing and interacting with multi-scale dynamics of knowledge

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Science as a living system

Our initial inspiration comes from embryogenesis reconstruction – *Bioemergences* project at ISCPIF (2005 - 2015)



Science as a living system

Science Evolution - Chavalarias & Cointet, PLoS One (2013)

Phylomemies are inheritance networks of elements of knowledge



Science as a living system



How do we define a branch of knowledge ? What is the meaning of an inter-temporal lineage ? Which links should we consider ? How do we translate local knowledge dynamics ? Can we navigate through different levels of observation ? Can we visualize multi-scale structures ? Phylomemy reconstruction (2020 ++)

Phenomenological reconstruction methods can be summarized as three steps processes.



phenomenon

formal object

A projection in a visualization system

Phylomemy reconstruction (2020 ++)



Upstream & downstream Inter-temporal matching $\,{}^4\Phi$

→ a weighted Jaccard index

We consider the function ${}^{4}\Phi^{\succ} : \mathcal{C} \times [0,1] \longmapsto (\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{C}), w)$ so that ${}^{4}\Phi^{\succ}(C^{T}) = (\{C_{j} \in \kappa_{C^{T}}^{\succ}\}, w)$ where

$$=\kappa_{C^{T}}^{\succ} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\Delta(C^{T},\kappa)}[\operatorname{argmin}_{\{\kappa \in \mathcal{C}^{T' \succ \succ T} \mid \Delta(C^{T},\kappa) \geq \delta\}} \{\tau(C^{T},\kappa)\}]$$

 $- \mathcal{C}^{T' \succ \succ T} = \{ C^{T'} \in \mathcal{C} | T' \succ \succ T \} \text{ is the set of all clusters of } \mathcal{C} \text{ which period is strictly a posterior to } T \}$

– $w \in [0,1]$ is the association strength of $\kappa_{C^T}^\succ$

Sea rise algorithm



by gradually elevating the similarity's threshold between the fields, we split the branches and we recursively reconstruct their local homogeneity

Quality and level of observation λ

The quality of an answer Q(x) can be assessed with respect to the desired level of observation $\lambda \in [0 \ 1]$ between precision and recall with the following *F*-score function

$$F_{\lambda}(x,k) = \frac{(1+f(\lambda)^2).(\xi_x^k.\rho_x^k)}{\rho_x^k + f(\lambda)^2.\xi_x^k}$$

where
$$f(\lambda) = tan(\frac{\pi \cdot \lambda}{2})$$

the precision $\xi_x^k = \frac{|\mathcal{C}_x \cap \mathcal{C}_{B_k}|_{\mathcal{T}_x}|}{|\mathcal{C}_{B_k}|}$
the recall $\rho_x^k = \frac{|\mathcal{C}_x \cap \mathcal{C}_{B_k}|}{|\mathcal{C}_x|}$

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The objective function for the evaluation of the relevance of ϕ for answering $\mathcal{Q}(x)$ thus becomes :

$$F_{\lambda}^{x}(\varphi) = \sum_{B_{k} \in \varphi \mid B_{k} \cap \mathcal{C}_{x} \neq \emptyset} \Psi_{x}(k) \cdot F_{\lambda}(x,k)$$

Quality and level of observation λ





Phylomemies as foliation on temporal series of clustering



A phylomemy ϕ is a foliation on a temporal series of clustering \mathcal{C}^* . It describes, for any cluster C_j^T in temporal components of \mathcal{C}^* and any threshold δ , the relevant inheritance linkages of C_j^T .

Consequently, for the study of knowledge dynamics, R is the space of all foliations on temporal series of clustering.

Implementation within Gargantext



The Memiescape

A visualization system, design for exploring phylemies by using purescript and d3.js



Phylomemy of the CNRS 6000 most cited papers (WoS)



Phylomemy of the state of the art of knowledge visualization (WoS)



Phylomemy of the covid19 vaccines trials



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Thank you !

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