METROPOLITAN CARTOGRAPHY UP CLOSE FROM AFAR

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TELLME - TRAINING FOR EDUCATION, LEARNING, AND LEADERSHIP TOWARDS A NEW METROPOLITAN DISCIPLINE



"SUPER WICKED" PROBLEM

IS A PROBLEM THAT IS DIFFICULT OR IMPOSSIBLE TO SOLVE BECAUSE OF INCOMPLETE, CONTRADICTORY, AND CHANGING REQUIREMENTS THAT ARE OFTEN DIFFICULT TO RECOGNIZE

IN THE METROPOLITAN SYSTEM WE FACE MULTIPLE "SUPER WICKED" (?)

"SUPER WICKED" characteristic (Kelly Levine)

/ TIME IS RANNING OUT / NO CENTRAL AUTHORITY **/ THOSE SEEKING TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM ARE ALSO** CAUSING IT / POLICIES DISCOUNT THE FUTURE IRRATIONALITY



After Big Data: The Coming Age of "Big Indicators"

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(TO MANAGE "SUPER WICKED" PROBLEMS)



"BIG INDICATORS"

/ HIGHLY DETAILED / CONTINUOUSLY PRODUCED / TRACK CHANGE IN THE HEALTH OF THE EARTH'S MOST IMPORTANT SYSTEMS, IN REAL TIME

THE ROLE OF INNOVATION

BIG DATA / collection and analysis REMOTE SENSING / computer vision analysis CLOUD COMPUTING / computational power

1977

POWERS OF TEN AND THE RELATIVE SIZE OF THINGS IN THE UNIVERSE

CHARLES AND RAY EAMES



POWERS OF TEN ILLUSTRATES THE UNIVERSE AS AN ARENA OF BOTH CONTINUITY AND CHANGE, OF EVERYDAY PICNICS AND COSMIC MYSTERY. IT BEGINS WITH A CLOSE-UP SHOT OF A MAN SLEEPING NEAR THE LAKESIDE IN CHICAGO, VIEWED FROM ONE METER AWAY. THE LANDSCAPE STEADILY MOVES OUT UNTIL IT REVEALS THE EDGE OF THE KNOWN UNIVERSE. THEN, AT A RATE OF 10-TO-THE-TENTH METERS PER SECOND, THE FILM TAKES US TOWARDS EARTH AGAIN, CONTINUING BACK TO THE SLEEPING MAN'S HAND AND EVENTUALLY DOWN TO THE LEVEL OF A CARBON ATOM.







"I don't understand why people need to make maps anymore. They've got Google Maps!"



WHAT GOOGLE MAPS DOESN'T SHOW YOU 1854 BROAD STREET CHOLERA OUTBREAK

INVESTIGATION BY JOHN SNOW

Original map by John Snow showing the clusters of cholera cases (indicated by stacked rectangles) in the London epidemic of 1854. The contaminated pump is located at the intersection of Broad Street and Cambridge Street (now Lexington Street), running into Little Windmill Street.



SCALE SO INCHES TO A MILE.



DETAIL **1854 BROAD STREET CHOLERA OUTBREK**

MAP AS AN "INVENTION" TO DETECT NEW PATTERNS

COUNTING WHALES FROM SPACE



REF Fretwell, P. T., Staniland, I. J. and Forc

There are many ways to monitor whales, but not quite so many to count them. Scientists can set out to sea and search for whales. Well, almost. Boat work can be formidably expensive and even when you join whale watching vessels to cut the costs, you can still only cover a small area of the ocean. Scientists from the British Antarctic Survey have come up with an incredibly cheap and effective solution.

Fretwell, P. T., Staniland, I. J. and Forcada, J. Whales from Space: Counting Southern Right Whales by Satellite. PLoS ONE 9 e88655 (2014)











BANDS 3,2,1 VISIBLE LIGHT BANDS 6, INFRARED LI

MT. ETNA ERUPTION

MAP AS SCIENTIFIC INTERPRETATION OF THE IMAGES

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MAP AS (CHEAP *) AND EFFECTIVE SOLUTION TO SUPERVISE PHENOMENA

* CHEAPER THAN TRADITIONAL ANALYSIS

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PHENOMENON : URBAN GROWTH atlasofurbanexpansion



REF http://www.atlasofurbanexpansion.org/cities/view/Kampala









INFILL consists of all built-up pixels added in the new period that occupy urbanized open space within the urban extent of the earlier period.



EXTENSION consists of all built-up pixels added in the new period that constitute contiguous urban clusters that are attached to the urban extent of the earlier period.



LEAPFROG consists of all built-up pixels added in the new period that constitute new contiguous urban clusters that are not attached to the urban extent of the earlier period or to new extension clusters.



INCLUSION consists of added area pixels that existed at the previous time period but were outside of the urban extent at the previous time period. While inclusion pixels contribute to the added area, they do not constitute new development as they already existed at the previous time period.









ATLAS OF URBAN EXPANSION DATA SOURCE **USGS - UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY**

OPEN DATA - A SIMPLE DEFINITION

OPEN DATA IS DATA THAT ANYONE CAN ACCESS, USE AND SHARE.

REF http://opendefinition.org/od/2.1/en/

OPEN DATA OPPORTUNITIES

LANDSAT SEEN AS STUNNING RETURN ON PUBLIC INVESTMENT

Summary Table: Estimated Productivity Savings from Uses of Landsat

Landsat Application	Estimated Annual Efficiency Savings
1. USDA Risk Management Agency	over \$100 million
2. U.S. Government Mapping	over \$100 million
3. Monitoring Consumptive Agricultural Water Use	\$20 - \$80 million
4. Monitoring Global Security	\$70 million
5. Landsat Support for Fire Management	\$28 - \$30 million
6. Forest Fragmentation Detection	over \$5 million
7. Forest Change Detection	over \$5 million
8. World Agriculture Supply and Demand Estimates	over \$3 – \$5 million
9. Vineyard Management and Water Conservation	\$3-5 million/year
10. Flood Mitigation Mapping	over \$4.5 million
11. National Agricultural Commodities Mapping	\$1.9 million/year
12. Waterfowl Habitat Mapping and Monitoring	\$1.9 million/year
13. Coastal Change Analysis Program	\$1.5 million
14. Forest Health Monitoring	\$1.9 million/year
15. NGA Global Shoreline	over \$90 million (one time)
16. Wildfire Risk Assessment	\$25-50 million (one time)

Research from Lateral Economics showed that open data creates 0.5% more GDP compared to paid data.

In 2013, **McKinsey** estimated a global market powered by open data from all sectors would create an additional \$3tn to \$5tn a year.

MAP AS A TOOL TO FORECASTING INNOVATION

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BUT, THE MOST ADVANCED RESEARCH USE NON-OPEN DATA SOURCES (1)

WEST AFRICA EBOLA OUTBREAK GUINEA CASE STUDY

telcom data \$3Million per WEEK

BUT, THE MOST ADVANCED RESEARCH USE NON-OPEN DATA SOURCES (2)

WORLDVIEW3 DIGITAL GLOBE IMAGERY

4band 17,50\$/sqkm 8band 19,00\$/sqkm

28500 \$ Mexico City (per day)

BUT, SOFTWARE (3)

GOOGLE API GEOCODING * SERVICE

10000\$ per years **STANDARD LICENSE**

* transform addresses into coordinates

THE MOST ADVANCED RESEARCH USE NON-OPEN DATA AND NON-OPEN SOURCE

WHAT CAN OPEN DATA DO FOR YOU? METROPOLITAN CARTOGRAPHY

METROPOLITAN COMPLEXITY BUT, WHAT IS A SYSTEM?

A system is an interconnected set of elements that is coherently organized in a way that achieves something.

ELEMENTS, INTERCONNECTIONS, FUNCTION/PURPOSE

Donella Meadows, Thinking in System

THE BLIND MEN AND THE MATTER OF THE ELEFANT (a Sufi story)

He had a mighty elephant. wide and broad, like a rug." pillar."

Each had felt one part out of many. Each had perceived it wrongly ...

- Beyond Ghor, there was a city. All its inhabitants were blind. A king with his entourage arrived nearby; he brought his army and camped in the desert.
- The populace became anxious to see the elephant.
- As they did not even know the form or shape of the elephant, they groped sightlessy, gathering information by touching some part of it. Each thought that he knew something, because he could feel a part ... The man whose hand had reached an ear ... said : "It's a large, rough thing,
- And the one who had felt the trunk said : "I have the real fact about it. It is like a straight and hollow pipe, awful and destructive."
- The one who had felt its feet and legs said : " It is mighty and firm, like a

THE BEHAVIOR OF A SYSTEM CANNOT BE KNOWN JUST BY **KNOWING THE ELEMENTS OF** WHICH THE SYSTEM IS MADE.



SYSTEM REPRESENTATION





SYSTEM **BEHAVIOR**

ELEMENTS, **INTERCONNECTIONS**, **FUNCTION/PURPOSE**

DATA-INFORMATION-KNOWLEDGE-WISDOM (DIKW) HIERARCHY



MEANING

REF D. Chaffey and S. Wood, Business Information Management: Improving Performance Using Information Systems (FT Prentice Hall, Harlow, 2005). Jennifer Rowley, The Wisdom Hierarchy: Representations of the DIKW Hierarchy (Journal of Information Science 33, 2007)

EXPERT SYSTEM HIGH DECISION SUPPORT SYSTEM MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS TRANSACTION PROCESSING SYSTEMS LOW

INFORMATION SYSTEM TYPES VALUE

From "Big Data" to "Big Indicators" to "Big Instruments"

Instrument

Indicator

Insight

Information

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MORE VALUE Less Info

More Info **LESS VALUE**