Text and Data Mining in the context of the reform of the EU directive regarding Copyright

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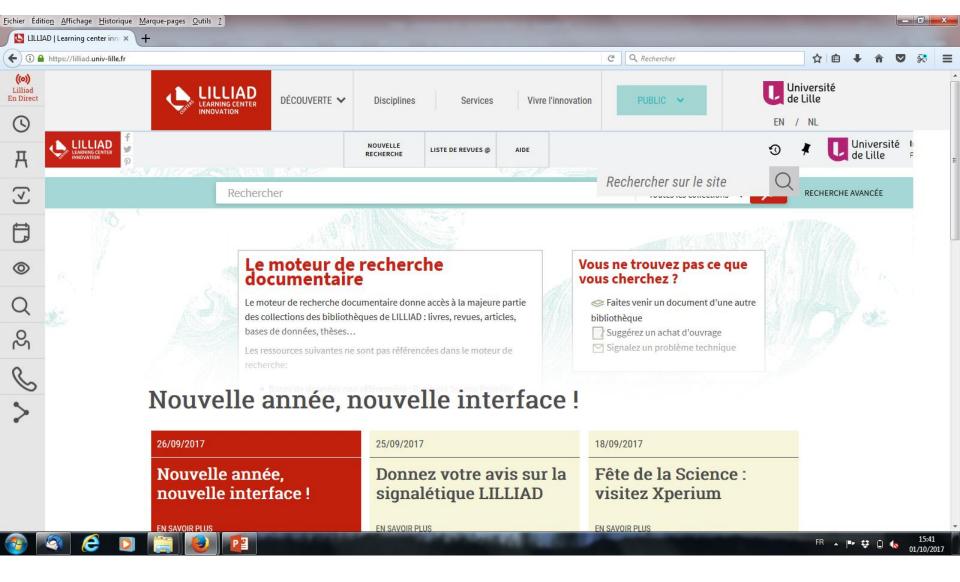
What is TDM?

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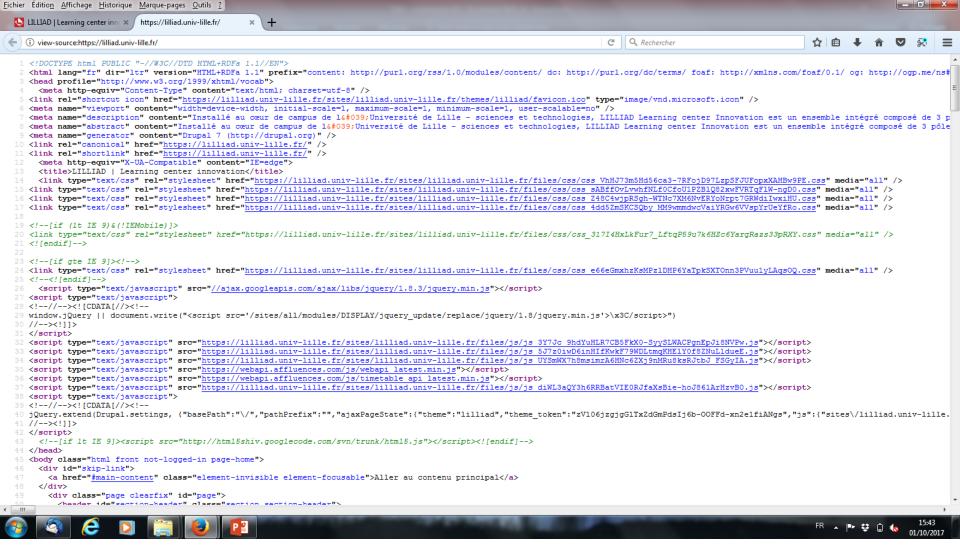
Any automated analytical technique aiming to analyse text and data in digital form in order to generate information such as patterns, trends and correlations.

European Commission. <u>Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament</u> and of the Council on copyright in the Digital Single Market

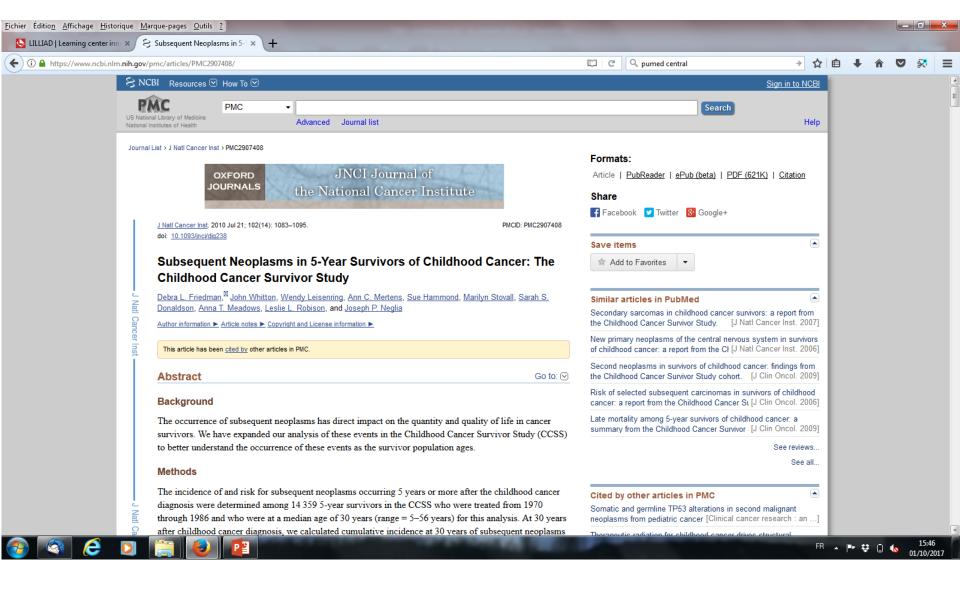
=> This is nothing new, we already do that for years...



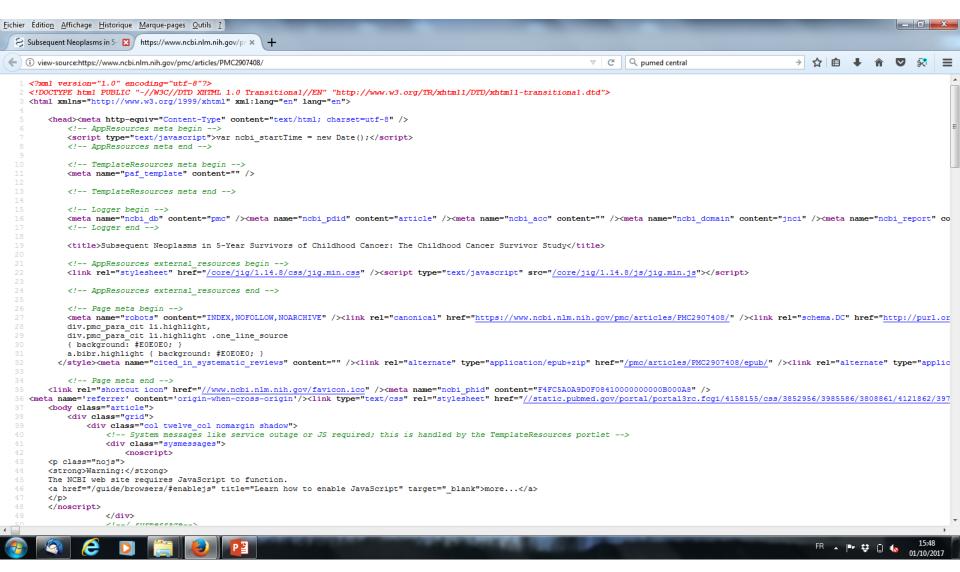
What we « see »....



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⇒TDM is only machine reading, i.e. just another way to read

Like we did for years browsing the Internet for content

What does the research community expect?

A copyright reform at the EU to perform TDM, because TDM will / is leading to major scientific innovations

Writing -> scriptorium -> printing -> peer-reviewing -> ... machine reading.

What is the situation?

literature.

Member States pay each year hundreds of millions euros for academics to have the right to read the scientific literature we the academics published.

Whatever might be the evolution of the economical model for scientific publication, Member States will keep paying for scientific literature (traditional subscription models, APCs, gold, green AO)

=> We already pay - a lot - to read scientific

Europe has tremendous ambitions regarding innovation...

...and public research is a powerful player.

Why is HER concerned about the Copyright reform?

because the future will be heavily innovation driven...

...and Text and Data Mining is a powerful way to achieve disruptive innovation

The scope of TDM...

- Artificial Intelligence,
- Biology,
- Medicine,
- Political sciences,
- Economics,
- History,
- Linguistics...

Why does TDM matter?



Public research is valuable





TDM makes research more efficient





TDM is worth investing in

2.5 quintillion bytes

Data produced each day

2.4 million

Scientific articles per annum



Number of researchers who can keep up

TDM BASE CAMP

Where are we now, and how did we get here?

What is the problem?

...countries, in which academic researchers must acquire the express consent of rights holders to conduct lawful datamining, exhibit a significantly lower share of data mining research output relative to total research output

Handke, Guilbault and Vallbe IS EUROPE FALLING BEHIND IN DATA MINING? (2015)

What is the result?

The European ecosystem for engaging in text and data mining remains highly problematic... The end result: Europe is being leapfrogged by rising interest in other regions, notably Asia.

Filippov, S. & Hofheinz, P. <u>Text and Data Mining for Research and Innovation</u> (2016)

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Barriers to TDM < FutureTDM

- In December 2016, the FutureTDM project released a policy framework document outlining the needs for a successful implementation of TDM.
- Their work identifies <u>a series of barriers</u> that need to be overcome opposed to <u>high-level principles</u> that should be followed to address them.

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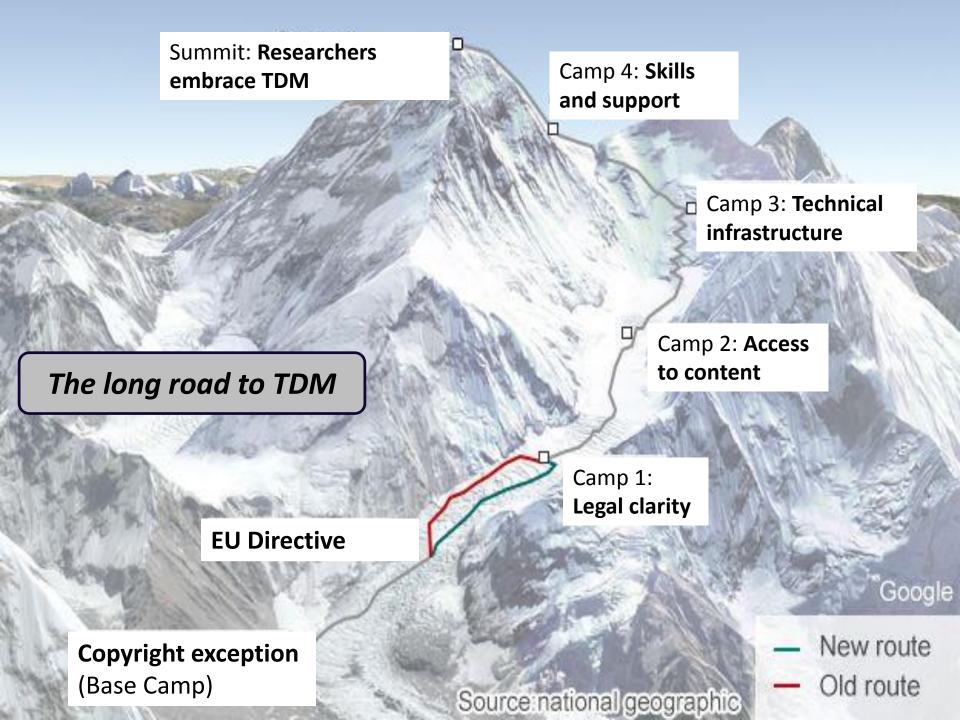
- Three barriers that need to be overcome are as follows:
 - Uncertainty: this category includes <u>uncertainties as to how, why and if</u>
 <u>TDM can be carried out</u>, as well as the <u>lack of awareness</u> of different aspects of TDM.
 - Fragmentation: this refers to the fragmentation in the TDM landscape,
 which prevents TDM from being carried out across e.g. national borders,
 scientific domains, companies or fields of expertise.
 - Restrictiveness: the last category refers to <u>direct limitations</u> to the ability to carry out TDM, in the form of restrictive laws, lack of expertise, limited (financial) resources, etc.

The future of TDM < FutureTDM

• The **high-level principles** identified to overcome the barriers are:



- Awareness and Clarity: Information and clear actions are crucial for a flourishing TDM environment in Europe.
- TDM without Boundaries:
 boundaries should be broken down
 to reduce fragmentation in the TDM
 landscape.
- Equitable Access: access to TDM tools, technologies and sources should take into account the need of both users and providers.



1. ACHIEVING LEGAL CLARITY

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The exception has made a massive difference...

Petr Knoth, Open University, UK

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...the definition of commercial and non-commercial research is creating uncertainty

Petr Knoth, Open University, UK

What needs to happen?

- Communicate legal provisions for TDM with certainty and clarity
- Clarify the exception's scope where public researchers collaborate with commercial partners
- Monitor the interaction of the copyright exception with digital rights management (DRM), licensing and other relevant legal regimes

2. SECURING ACCESS

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I scaled down my TDM research, and had to exclude two publishers... I couldn't do what I set out to do

Chris Hartgerink, Tilburg University, Netherlands

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I had to ask too many publishers for the right to download ... it takes a lot of time and ... the publishers' servers frequently block us.

Mathieu Andro, INRA, France

What is the problem with access?

- Technical protection measures (TPMs)
- Crawler traps
- Restricted access to application programming interfaces (APIs)



What needs to happen?

- Incorporate TDM clauses into model licence agreements
- Educate researchers on their rights
- Maintain dialogue with publishers
- Improve access through better infrastructure...



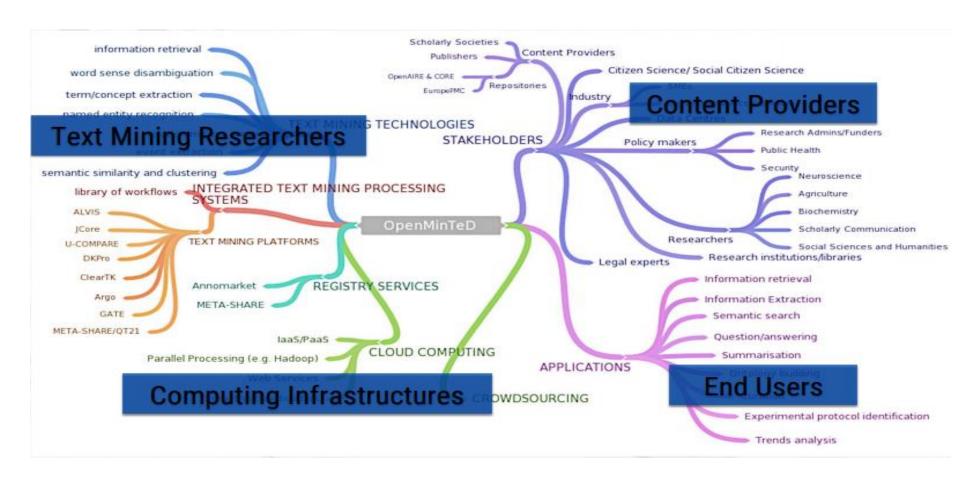
3. INFRASTRUCTURE & TOOLS

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...Every time you have a new project or data source... you hit issues about how the documents are structured, oddities of formatting, and so on.

Mark Greenwood, GATE, UK

The TDM Landscape



Source: OpenMinTED

What needs to happen?

- Invest in TDM infrastructure
- Make TDM accessible to non-specialists
- Streamline access
- Open standards and harmonised data formats



4. SKILLS & SUPPORT

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...We have algorithms to answer questions, but we do not have algorithms to ask questions

François Rioult, GREYC Laboratory, Université de Caen, France

What is the role of the librarian?



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The library needs to be able to say: 'If you've got a question about TDM, come to us'

Danny Kingsley, Head of Scholarly Communications, University of Cambridge, UK

Library support for TDM

- Advocacy
- Copyright advice
- Access to legal expertise
- Skills development and training
- Advice on data sources and tools
- All kind of TDM services



5. EMBRACING TDM

Why?

"Because it's there"

Edmund Percival Hillary

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There are so many obstructions in the way of doing this research, and doing it well. It is just too hard and so people do other things

Ross Mounce, University of Cambridge, UK

What needs to happen?

- Endorsement by senior research leaders
- Funding and incentives linked to TDM
- Alignment with moves to open science



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What do we expect?

A simple, clear, full and European wide exception for TDM for Research to be able to mine content lawfully accessible

Researchers believe that "the right to read is the right to mine"

Making TDM a reality

Libraries

- Help decision makers in their own institution
- Monitor researchers' experience
- Develop case studies and guidance
- Involve the national libraries and other stakeholders
- Invest massively in TDM support
- Incorporate extra TDM clauses into licence agreements, in the context of a large, simple and strong exception at the EU level





Making TDM a reality



Legislators

- Provide certainty
- Enable public/private partnerships
- Monitor interaction with other legislation (e.g. DRM)



Institutions/research leaders

- **Endorse TDM**
- Invest in library services
- Explore knowledge exchange opportunities



Research funders



- Invest in infrastructure
- Create fora to improve access and sharing
- Link TDM to Open Science

Publishers & providers (private and public sector)

- Develop cloud services for TDM
- Give streamline access
- Provide open, harmonised standards

So let's summarize the core needs

- Communicate legal provisions for TDM with <u>certainty</u> and clarity
- Clarify the <u>exception's scope</u> where public researchers collaborate with commercial partners
- Let the researchers do their research with <u>as little</u> <u>impedimenta as possible</u>
- Monitor the <u>interaction of the copyright exception</u>
 <u>with digital rights management (DRM)</u>, licensing and other relevant legal regimes

Full case studies from the TDM report

http://adbu.fr/competplug/uploads/2016/12/Annex-1-Full-case-studies-Final-11-Dec-16.pdf

Thank you

Full TDM report – in English - available at:

http://adbu.fr/etude-tdm/



Research consulting:

https://www.research-consulting.com/reports/



LIBER and TDM:

http://libereurope.eu/text-data-mining/



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