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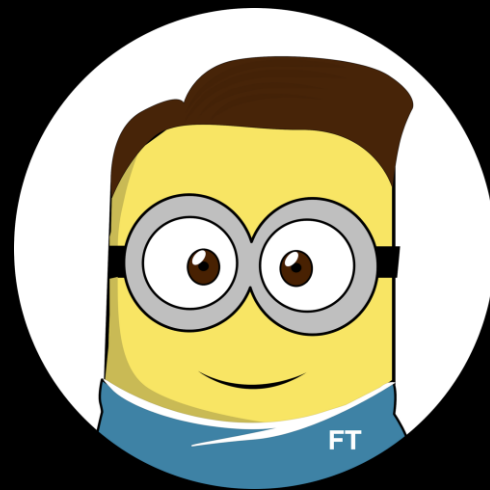


# **Taming Time Tools: Alligator and Academic Meta Tool**





# Cheers!



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#alligator

# Our little Minions!



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# What?

Web tool for converting CAs with dating information to relative time intervals as RDF.

# Who?

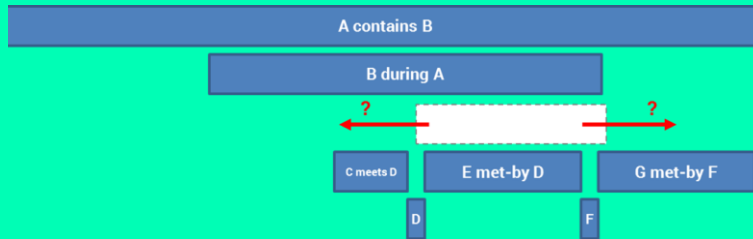
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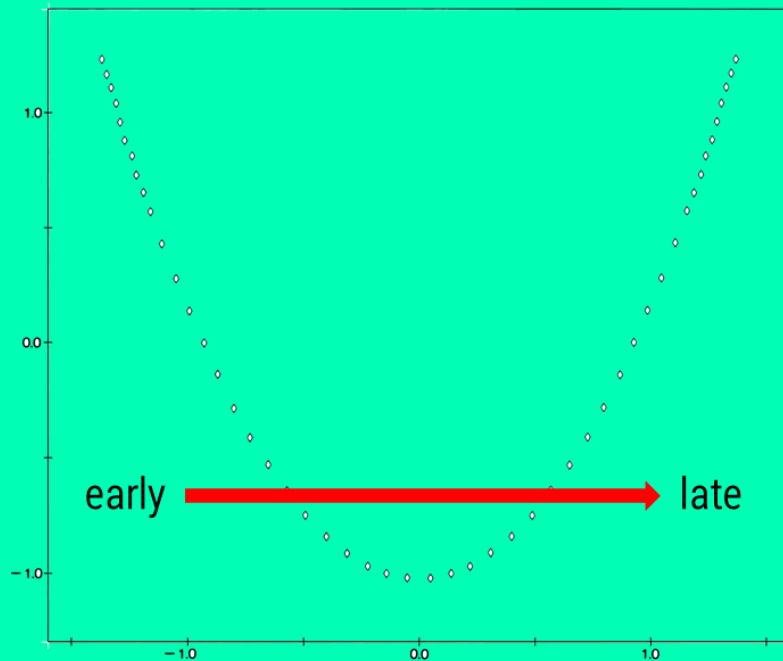
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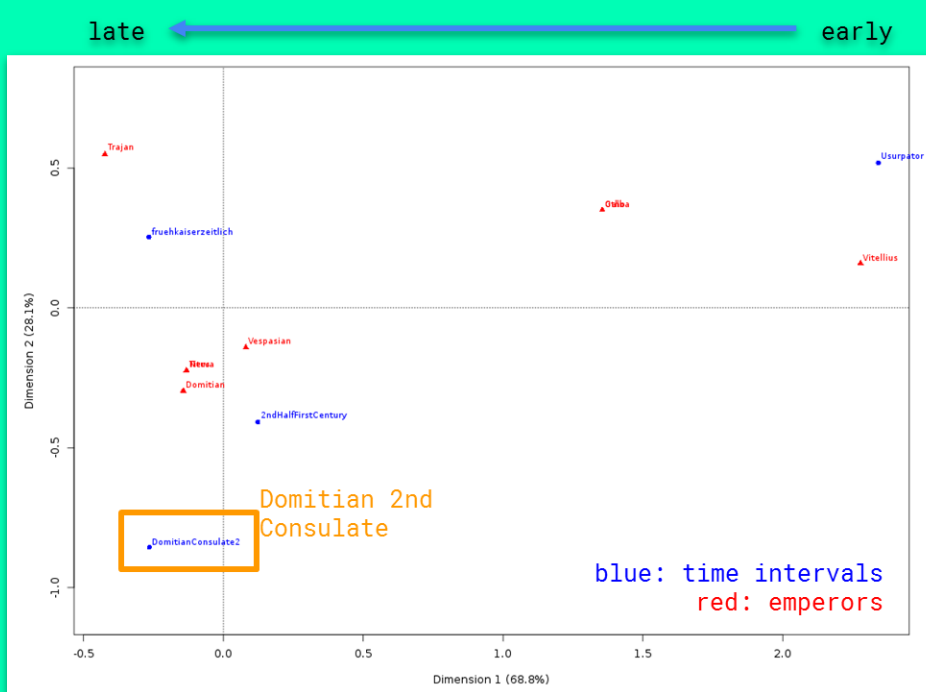
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example: modelling of  
relative chronological  
information using  
Allen's algebra



To achieve a chronology  
in archaeological  
research we use the  
**horseshoe paradigm** in  
**Correspondence  
Analysis (CA).**



	timeinterval	emperor	years
	A	B	C
1	fruehkaiserzeitlich	Vitellius	1
2	fruehkaiserzeitlich	Galba	1
3	fruehkaiserzeitlich	Otho	1
4	fruehkaiserzeitlich	Vespasian	10
5	fruehkaiserzeitlich	Titus	2
6	fruehkaiserzeitlich	Domitian	15
7	fruehkaiserzeitlich	Nerva	2
8	fruehkaiserzeitlich	Trajan	19
9	2ndHalfFirstCentury	Vitellius	1
10	2ndHalfFirstCentury	Galba	1
11	2ndHalfFirstCentury	Otho	1
12	2ndHalfFirstCentury	Vespasian	10
13	2ndHalfFirstCentury	Titus	2
14	2ndHalfFirstCentury	Domitian	15
15	2ndHalfFirstCentury	Nerva	2
16	2ndHalfFirstCentury	Trajan	2
17	Usurpator	Galba	1
18	Usurpator	Otho	1
19	Usurpator	Vitellius	1
20	Usurpator	Vespasian	1
21	DomitianConsulate2	Domitian	1

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*method test: results of a CA of Roman Emperors and reigning years*





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The horizontal CA dimension axis defines the amount of overlap between the time intervals.



	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	name	x	y	z	von	bis	fixed
2	fruehkaiserzeitlich	-0.2660	0.2530	0.0072	1	150	fixed
3	2ndHalfFirstCentury	CA x, y, z values			from-to values		fixed
4	Usurpator						fixed
5	Galba	13.550	0.3500	0.0580	69	69	fixed
6	Otho	13.550	0.3500	0.0580	69	69	fixed
7	Vespasian	0.0810	-0.1420	-0.1450	69	79	fixed
8	Titus	-0.1320	-0.2240	-0.1790	79	81	fixed
9	Domitian	-0.1430	-0.2960	0.1180	81		fixed/floating values
10	Nerva	-0.1320	-0.2240	-0.1790	96		
11	Trajan	-0.4230	0.5490	0.0170	98	117	fixed
12	Vitellius	22.780	0.1590	0.0560	69	69	fixed
13	DomitianConsulate2	-0.2646	-0.8560	10.336	0	0	schwebend

the starting situation

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**aim:**  
**fix the floating values and  
transform the data into a  
relative chronology**



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1	name	x	y	z	von	bis	fixed
2	fruehkaiserzeitlich	-0.2660	0.2530	0.0072	1	150	fixed
3	2ndHalfFirstCentury	0.1235	-0.4078	-0.0481	50	100	fixed
4	Usurpator	23.415	0.5180	0.0610	69	69	fixed
5	Galba	13.550	0.3500	0.0580	69	69	fixed
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the method in action 1/3

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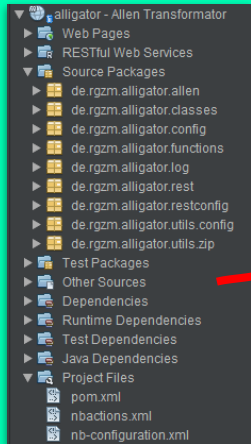
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JAVA maven war file, RESTful API



<https://t1p.de/3qji>

```
public Alligator calculate(String tsv, Double startFixedValue, Double endFixedValue) {
    // parse TSV as text/plain
    String[] lines = null;
    List inputfile = new ArrayList();
    if (tsv.contains("\n")) {
        lines = tsv.split("\n");
    } else if (tsv.contains("\r\n")) {
        lines = tsv.split("\r\n");
    }
    for (String line : lines) {
        inputfile.add(line);
    }
    // init Alligator
    Alligator alligator = new Alligator();
    // create alligator events
    alligator.writeToAlligatorEventList(inputfile, startFixedValue, endFixedValue);
    // calculate distances
    alligator.calculateDistances();
    // calculate next fixed neighbours
    alligator.getNextFixedNeighbours();
    // output virtual years
    System.out.println("\r\n==== virtual years =====");
    for (Object event : alligator.events) {
        AlligatorEvent ae = (AlligatorEvent) event;
        System.out.println(ae.name + "\t" + String.valueOf(ae.a) + " " + String.valueOf(ae.b) + " " + ae.startFixed + " " + ae.endFixed);
    }
    // allen
    alligator.calculateAllenSigns();
    return alligator;
}
```

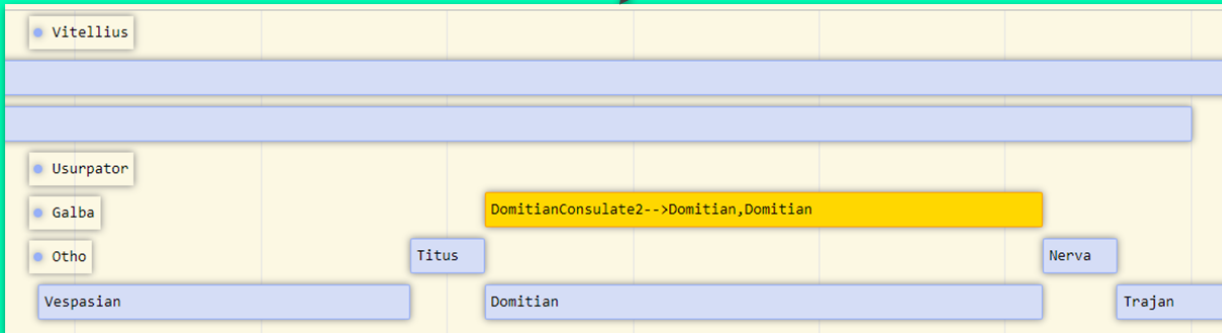
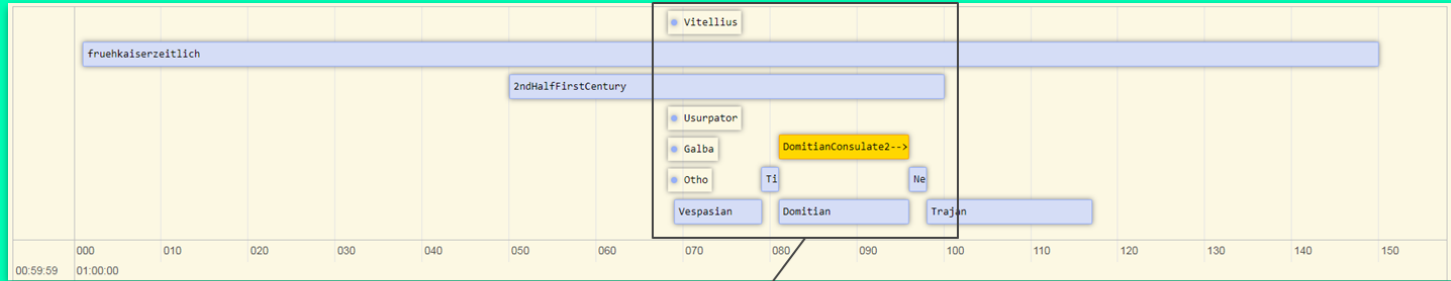
```
public void getNextFixedNeighbours() {
    // begin
    System.out.println("\r\n==== Next Neighbours for Furry begin =====");
    int i = 1;
    for (Object event : events_furry_begin) {
        String NFRM_ID = null;
        double NFRM_DIST = 205.0;
        int NFRM_SIGN = 0;
        String FuzzyRegionEventID = (String) event;
        for (Object event2 : events_fixed_begin) {
            String FixedRegionEventID = (String) event2;
            AlligatorEvent ae = getEventById(FuzzyRegionEventID);
            HashMap dm = ae.distances;
            String NFRM_ID_THIS = FixedRegionEventID;
            double NFRM_DIST_THIS = (double) dm.get(FixedRegionEventID);
            if (NFRM_DIST_THIS < NFRM_DIST) {
                NFRM_DIST = NFRM_DIST_THIS;
                NFRM_ID = NFRM_ID_THIS;
            }
        }
        JDOMObject NFRM_SIGN_OBJ = new JDOMObject();
        NFRM_SIGN_OBJ.put(NFRM_ID, NFRM_DIST);
        double VirtualYears = getEventById(NFRM_ID).a;
        getEventById(FuzzyRegionEventID).nextFixedDistanceNeighbour = NFRM_SIGN_OBJ;
        getEventById(FuzzyRegionEventID).a = VirtualYears;
        AlligatorEvent ae = getEventById(FuzzyRegionEventID);
        ae.next_name = getEventById(NFRM_ID).name;
        ae.next_a = getEventById(NFRM_ID).a;
        System.out.println(getEventById(FuzzyRegionEventID).name + " -> " + getEventById(NFRM_ID).name + " " + NFRM_ID);
    }
    // end
    System.out.println("\r\n==== Next Neighbours for Furry end =====");
    int i = 1;
}
```

```
public void calculateDistances() {
    for (Object event : events) {
        AlligatorEvent thisEvent = (AlligatorEvent) event;
        HashMap distances = new HashMap();
        for (Object event2 : events) {
            AlligatorEvent loopEvent = (AlligatorEvent) event2;
            distances.put(loopEvent.id, distance3D(thisEvent.x, thisEvent.y, thisEvent.z, loopEvent.x, loopEvent.y, loopEvent.z));
        }
        thisEvent.distances = distances;
    }
}
```

```
private double distance3D(double x1, double y1, double z1, double x2, double y2, double z2) {
    double a = Math.pow((x2 - x1), 2);
    double b = Math.pow((y2 - y1), 2);
    double c = Math.pow((z2 - z1), 2);
    double dist = Math.sqrt(a + b + c);
    if (dist < minDistance) {
        minDistance = dist;
    }
    if (dist > maxDistance) {
        maxDistance = dist;
    }
    return dist;
}
```

How?

- calculate 3D distances
- find nearest 3D neighbours



*result (1):* **virtual timeline calculated as relative Allen intervals**



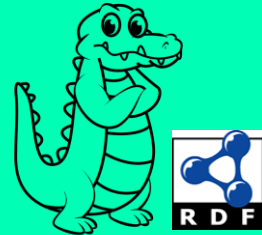
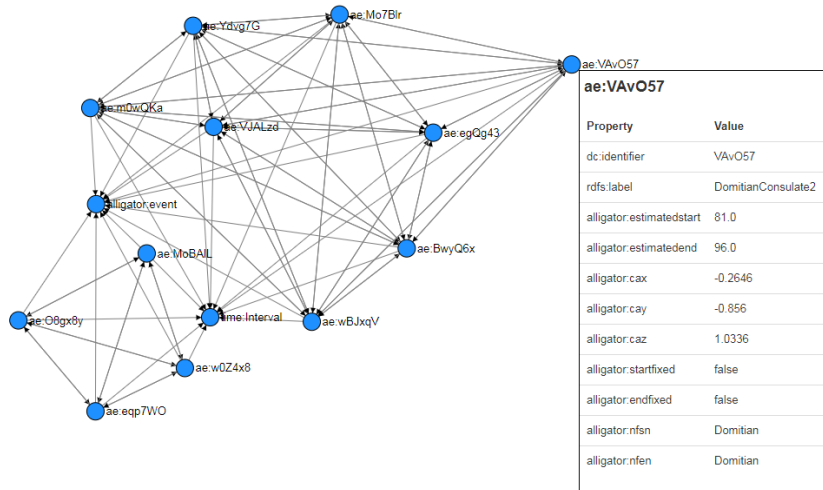


## Alligator RDF Visualisation via "Visual RDF"

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Redraw

Hide properties  Hide predicates



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*result (2):* **Allen Intervals in RDF representation to share as LOD**



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# What?

JavaScript library for modelling and reasoning of vague RDF graph data .

# Who?

Mainz Centre for Digitality in the Humanities  
and Cultural Studies (mainzed)

Martin Unold, Florian Thiery

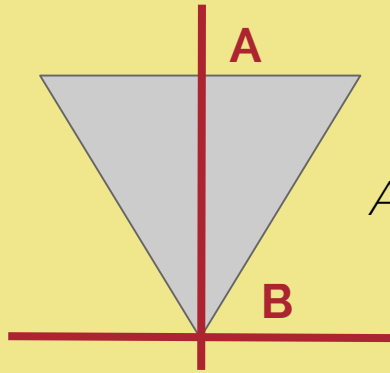
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<http://academic-meta-tool.xyz>

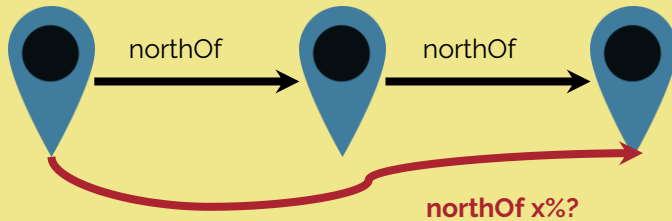
<https://github.com/mainzed/academicmetatool-js>



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*A is north of  
B 70%.*



**example: modelling and  
reasoning of vague  
relative geographical /  
topographical  
information**

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# develop ontology



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**specify  
node  
categories  
»CONCEPTS«**



**place**

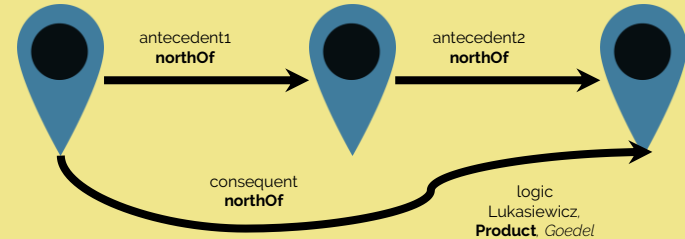


**specify  
edge  
categories  
>>ROLES<<**





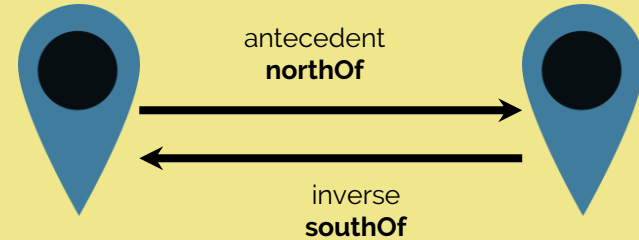
# specify Role-Chain axioms







# specify Inverse axioms





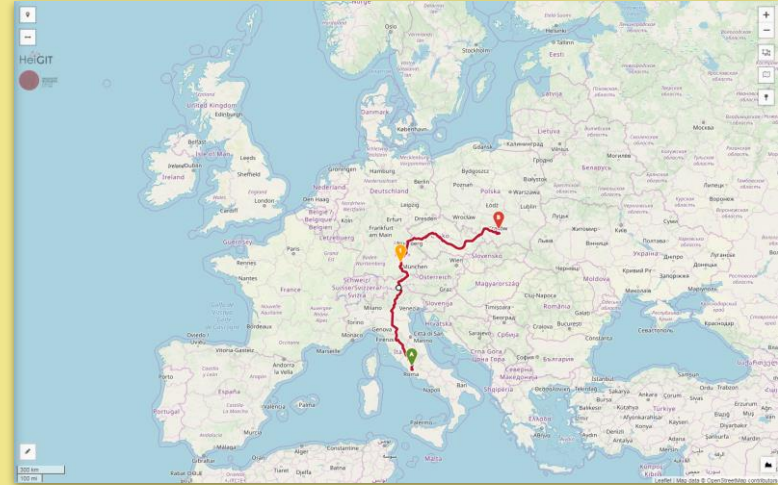
⇒ **input RDF-  
File in  
triplestore**

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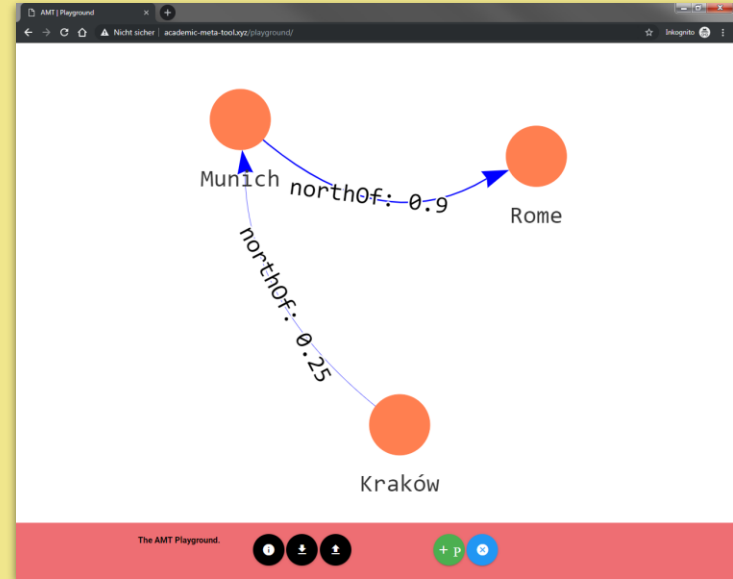


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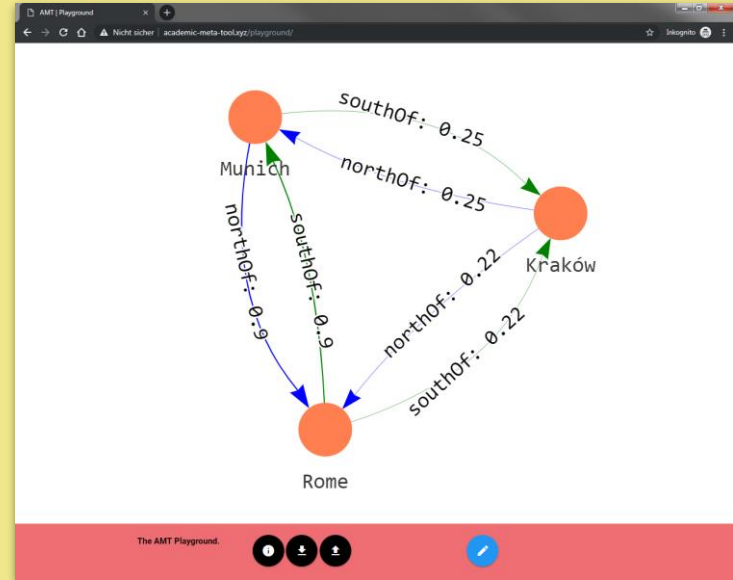


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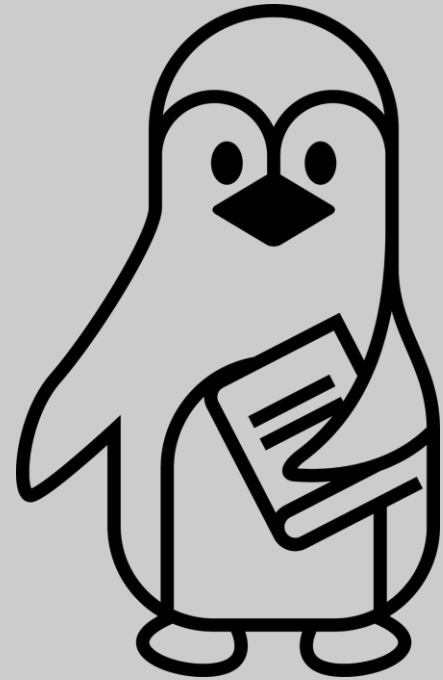




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**Research  
Example:**

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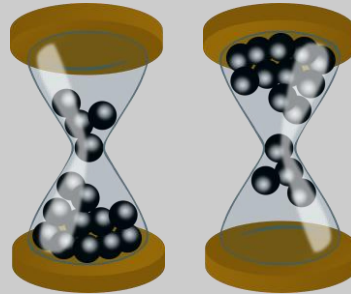
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Project:**

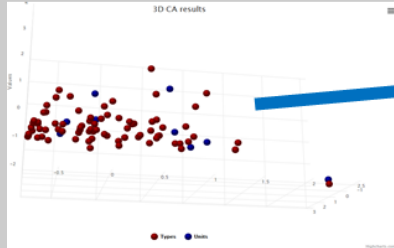
**Dating  
Mechanisms**



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## Taming Time!



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RDF



RDF

a data driven approach:  
starting from a CA with time information ending in a relative  
chronology including temporal reasoning and weighted edges





# Taming Time!

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RGMZM  
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für Archäologie

## Taming the chronology of South Gaulish Samian found at Hadrian's Wall and the German Limes using Linked Open Data

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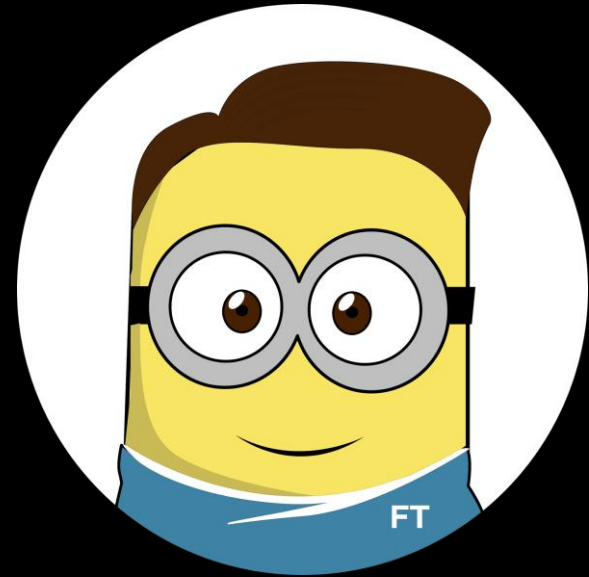
# Thx!

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