The recovery of NLGIS

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Meaning and purpose of GIS

- Geographic Information System
- Purpose
  - capture, store & manage data
  - analyze data
  - present data

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Dutch GIS: Past, Present, Future

- Kaartgis / NLGIS
- HISGIS.NL (extremely detailed, but not temporal)
- NLGIS-2 (detailed and temporal)

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Goal

- To disclose the Historical Database of Dutch Municipalities (HDNG)
- To plot data from HDNG and other sources on NLGIS' maps
- For a period of five years

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Components

- Maps server (API)

- Data server (API)

- Tools to combine maps, data and draw maps
  - basic mapping: website
  - advanced mapping: R & Python

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Sustainability

- Modular approach: separating maps and data
- Use of main stream open source software
  - D3, Leaflet, MongoDB, Python, R
  - Used by major companies (e.g. Google, New York Times)

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Audience

Dual approach:

- No experience with GIS (website)
  - Compare regional differences in a phenomenon
  - Compare changes over time
- Advanced users (familiar with Python, R)
  - Retrieve data from HDNG
  - Map other datasets
  - Map outcomes of (advanced) analyses
  - Integration with Wikipedia

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R - Demo

Features

- Functions: nlgget, nlgmap

- Main packages: jsonlite, rgdal, leafletR

- Use cases:
    - NLGIS meets CEDAR
    - NLGIS meets New York Library Map Wrapper

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Website - Demo

Features

- HDNG data selection
- Information box
- Colours

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Summary and perspectives

Outlook

- Consilidate current development (until December 1st)
- Allow for upload of maps (integration with CLIO-INFRA)

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