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tags and vocabulary used in image metadata and classification

an attempt to explain and define the use of these concepts

for this website, a controlled vocabulary was used in order to standardize all tags appearing in the metadata. tagging will always lead to disputable decisions, as the complexity of the subjects tagged not always makes it easy to decide if a specific tag applies or not. to tackle this inherent quandary it will be laid out what was the rationale behind this vocabulary.

this vocabulary is hierarchical in nature while tags appear flat. in most cases, parent tags were given if one or more child tags were given. e.g. if the tag 'compass' (child) applies, also the tag 'instrument' (parent) applies. this avoids tags such as 'other' and makes the set searchable to a higher degree.

the main distinction between all tags is whether they describe the content or the form of the image. content tags describe what is represented by the image while form tags describe its appearance and its production.

all images are tagged against the thematic background of this project on magnetism and its (limited) corpus. other material deserves another vocabulary. quasi-universal vocabularies such as iconclass will not allow to ask the research questions that are underpinning this historical research

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attraction/repulsion	
direction	
declination	
inclination	
theoretical	
music	
mineralogical taxonomy	
causal explanation	
particles	
astrological influence	
form	
material	
instrument	
compass	
sundial	
maschine / gadget	
specimen	
practice	
related to an experiment	
related to a calculation	
text	
letters	
words	
phrases	
sentences	

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geometrical forms	
arrows	
musical notation	
tabular shapes	
taxonomic shapes	
physical objects	
3d effects	
persons or parts of human body	
scene	
topographical structures	
content illustration	
integrated in the layout	
part of a set	
in the margin	
title page	
separate sheet as appendix or inlay	
separate page	
interactive	
volvelle	
cut-out template	
has a caption	
technique	
woodcut	
engraving	
drawing	
painting	