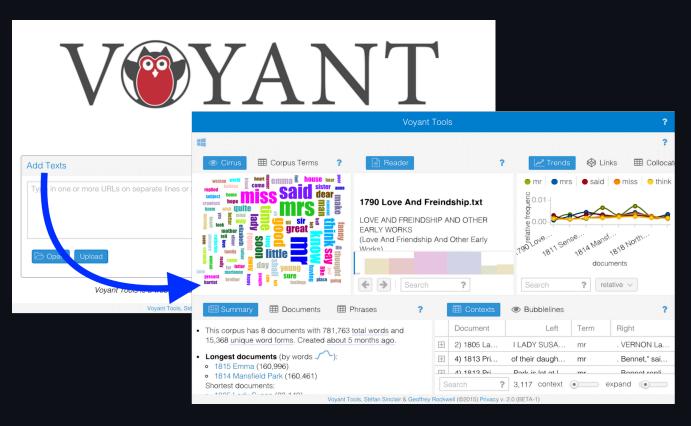
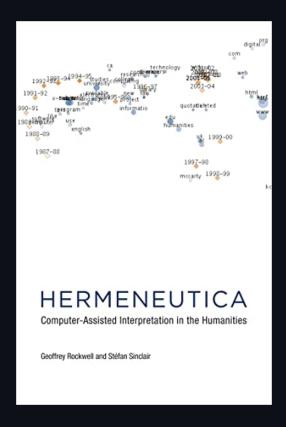
Voyant

Web-based GUI for Text Analytics



website

Voyant book



book website

Key characteristics

- "Just in time" analysis
- Extensive range of text analysis tools
- Supports a range of corpora sizes & file formats
- Fantastic built-in help
- Lower the barrier of entry to text analytics
- Embed & export options

Availability

- Free hosted version available via website
- Open source project
- VoyantServer runs locally on laptop or server
 - Confidential or large corpus

Loading a corpus

Point browser at https://voyant-tools.org/ and

- 1. paste URL(s) into the text box
- 2. paste text into the main text box
- 3. upload files from your computer
- 4. open a pre-loaded corpus

File formats supported

- PDF
- plain text
- XML
- HTML
- .doc, .docx, .odt, .rtf (word processing)
- .xls (spreadsheets)
- .zip, .tar (archives)

Default Skin

- What you see after you load your corpus
- skin = collection of tools
- Tools in the default skin:
 - Cirrus: word cloud
 - Reader: corpus reader
 - Trends: term frequency across the corpus
 - Summary: corpus stats
 - Contexts: shows terms in context (concordances)
- You can swap tools on/off the skin

Embedding and Exporting

- iframe, relevant for blog or website
- URL
- Data TSV, JSON
- Visualization PNG, SVG
- Bibliographic reference

Exercises

- 1. Read and interact with one of the three interludes (Chapters 4, 6, or 8) at the Hermeneuti.ca website
- 2. Upload a document or corpus of your choosing into Voyant. Any interesting discoveries?
- 3. Add a new tool that interests you into the default skin. You can find a listing here.
- 4. Export an iframe, URL, data, or visualization Voyant and use it in a tool you frequently use (e.g., word processing, spreadsheet, slides, blog).

References

- Online documentation
- Gallery examples of Voyant usage in research and teaching
- Finding & preparing text files process, resources and guidance from a Voyant perspective