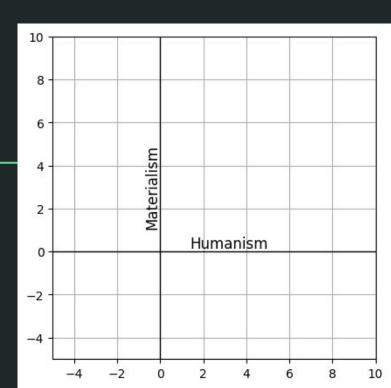
Coordinate Axes Model:

Visualization and Reconsideration of Modern Intellectual History Methodologies through Python Matplotlib and Michel Foucault

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Background: Symbolic logic

The following are the primitive propositions employed in the calculus of propositions. The letters "Pp" stand for "primitive proposition."

- (1) Anything implied by a true premiss is true Pp. This is the rule which justifies inference.
- (2) $\vdash : p \lor p . \supset .p$ Pp, i.e. if p or p is true, then p is true.
- (3) $\vdash : q \cdot D \cdot p \vee q$ Pp, i.e. if q is true, then p or q is true.
- (4) $\vdash : p \lor q . \supset . q \lor p$ Pp, i.e. if p or q is true, then q or p is true.
- (5) $\vdash : p \lor (q \lor r) \cdot \supset \cdot q \lor (p \lor r)$ Pp, i.e. if either p is true or "q or r" is true, then either q is true or "p or r" is true.
- (6) $\vdash : \cdot q \supset r \cdot \supset : p \vee q \cdot \supset \cdot p \vee r$ Pp, i.e. if q implies r, then "p or q" implies "p or r."

Symbol	Definition
A	Assertion
~A	Negation
AΛB	Conjunction
AVB	Disjunction
$A \Rightarrow B$	Implication
A←B	Reduction
A⇔B	equivalence

The Foucauldian Syntax

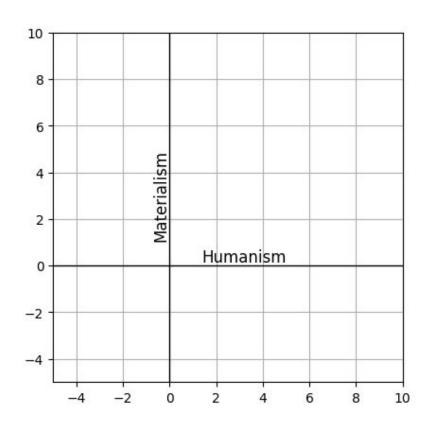
Archaeology ←→ Temporal

Uncovers the chemistry between different components of knowledge.

Episteme ←→ **Spacial**

An era's environment for knowledge production. The physics of knowledge.

Geometric Philosophy: Coordinate Axes Model



A coordinate plane with archaeology (time) as the limit (Z-value)

e.g.:
$$y = 2x + 4$$
, {5 < x < 8}

With the X and Y axes representing the components of episteme.

e.g.: (3, 6), z = 2: The episteme at 2 units of time consists of 3 units of Knowledge Component X and 6 units of Knowledge Component Y.

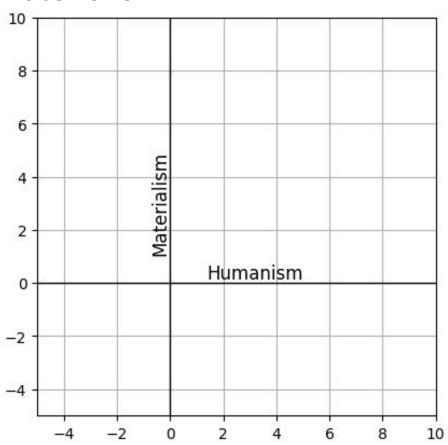
Labeling the Axes: Humanism-Materialism

X Axis: **Humanism**

The combination of sociology, cultural studies, and cultural anthropology. The discourse over how humans interact.

Y Axis: Materialism

New Materialism - the autonomy of materials from human influences.

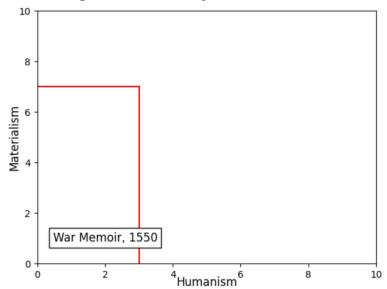


Case Study - Statistics v. Memoirs

Renaissance war memoirs/narratives:

A time of sufficient individualism to write memoirs independent of official accounts but not enough to build a full individualistic reflection.

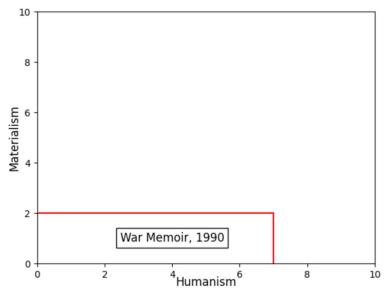
Knowledge = data x objective observation



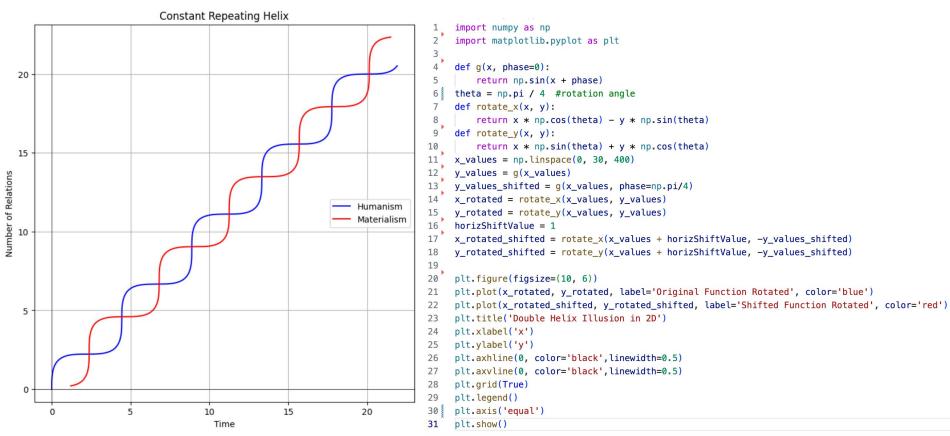
Modern war memoirs/narratives:

Journeys of authors' personal experiences with little regards to authoritative figures such as generals, "heroes," or leaders.

Knowledge = experience x sensibility

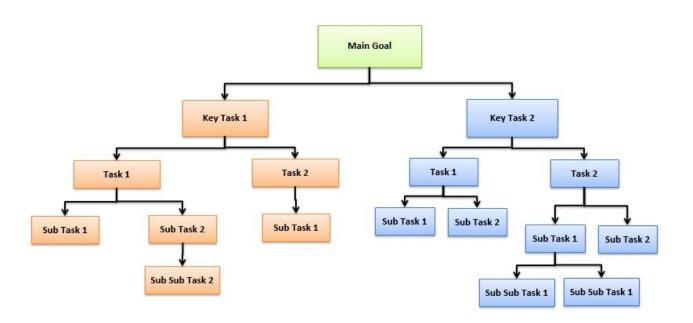


Coordinate Axes Model - Type 1 Constant Repeating Helix

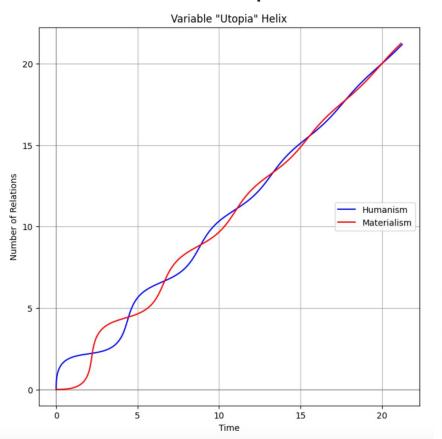


Constant Repeating Helix

- Knowledge tree view (that knowledge branches out from one source)
- Evolutionary perspective



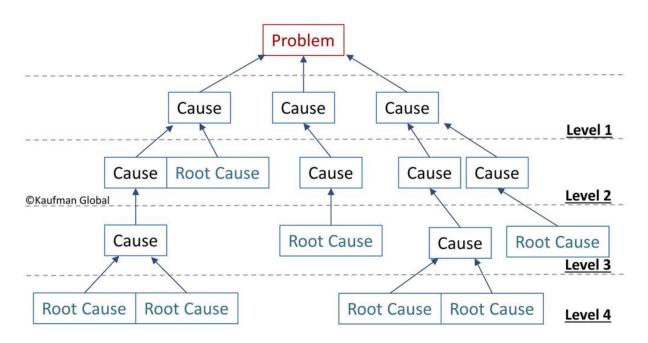
Coordinate Axes Model - Type 2 Variable "Utopia" Helix



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import numpy as np
     import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
     def q(x):
         return np.sin(x) * np.exp(-0.1 * x)
     theta = np.pi / 4 # 45 degrees
     def rotate_x(x, y):
         return x * np.cos(theta) - y * np.sin(theta)
     def rotate y(x, y):
10
         return x * np.sin(theta) + y * np.cos(theta)
11
    x_{values} = np.linspace(0, 30, 500)
    y q = q(x values)
    x_rotated_g = rotate_x(x_values, y_g)
    y rotated q = rotate y(x values, y q)
16
     x rotated q reflected = rotate x(x \text{ values, } -y \text{ q})
17
    y_rotated_g_reflected = rotate_y(x_values, -y_g)
19
    plt.figure(figsize=(8, 8))
    plt.plot(x_rotated_g, y_rotated_g, label='Humanism', color='blue')
    plt.plot(x_rotated_g_reflected, y_rotated_g_reflected, label='Materialism', color='red')
     plt.title('Variable \"Utopia\" Helix')
    plt.xlabel('Time')
    plt.vlabel('Number of Relations')
    plt.axhline(0, color='black', linewidth=0.25)
    plt.axvline(0, color='black', linewidth=0.25)
    plt.grid(True)
    plt.axis('equal')
     plt.legend()
     plt.show()
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Variable "Utopia" Helix

- Core-idea tree view (that knowledge leads back to its original source)
- New-materialistic view of humanism and materialism knowledge progression



Future plans:

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Calculating areas under the curve using integrals. E.g.:

Performing the calculation using the SciPy library.

$$A_1 = \int_a^b f(x) \, dx$$

$$A_2 = \int_a^b g(x) \, dx$$

Theoretical:

Does the history of ideas always guarantee that the Y values of the helices increase as X values increase?

Mathematical:

How, or is it reasonable, to apply differential geometry to derive equations for the helices, and do the derived equations have to be trigonometric equations?

How should we reference the origin point and the original X and Y axes when calculating integrals of the curves?