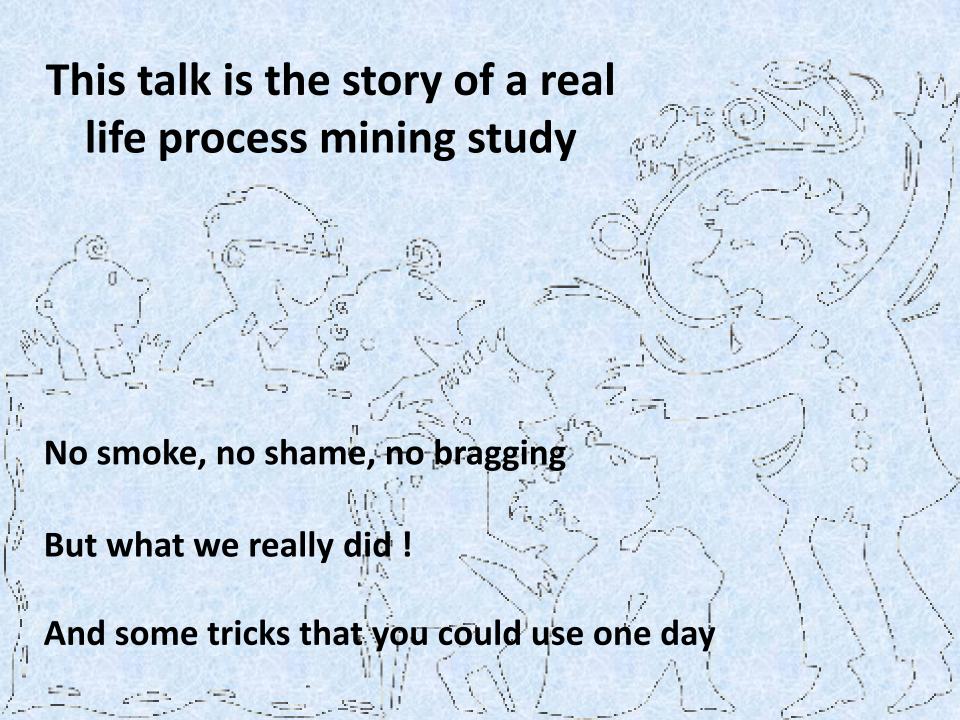
Léonard Studer Ville de Lausanne

**Process Mining Camp, June 2015** 

the de la cité pendant la construction du Dalois de Ami



### **City of Lausanne**

• 135'000 inhabitants (250'000 in the surroundings)

Strongest growing region in Switzerland

Economically + culturally + academically dynamical

and only one administrative problem...
the « construction permit process » is too long

#### What everybody knows

**Complex laws** 

Priority for the administration is legality and equality

but

priority for an architect is satisfying his client

Administrative processes are

- ☐ well known
- ☐ badly known

#### The construction permit process in Lausanne

One central law: the cantonal

Land Management Law

27 other specific laws

Cantonal administrative units

19 municipal administrative units

### External clients

(architects, sponsors)

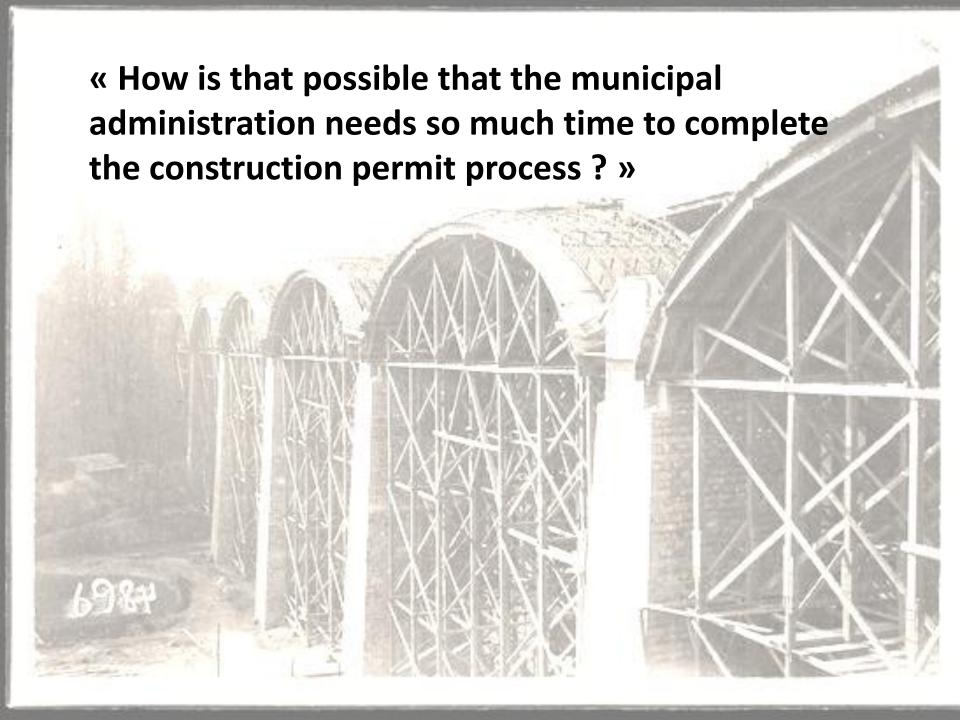
~ 450 cases per year
Time to process ~ 24 weeks

Office de la Police des Constructions Public Investigation (PI)

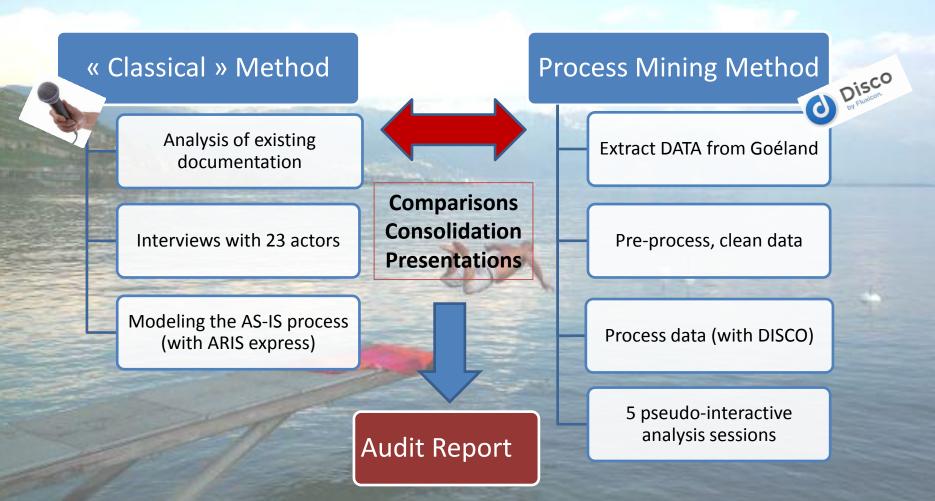
~ 50% cases submitted to à PI

~ 2 oppositions/interventions per PI

15 administrative or technical officers Produces about 2'400 reports per year



### It was not "Process Mining only"



### Ok... Let's do some real life process mining

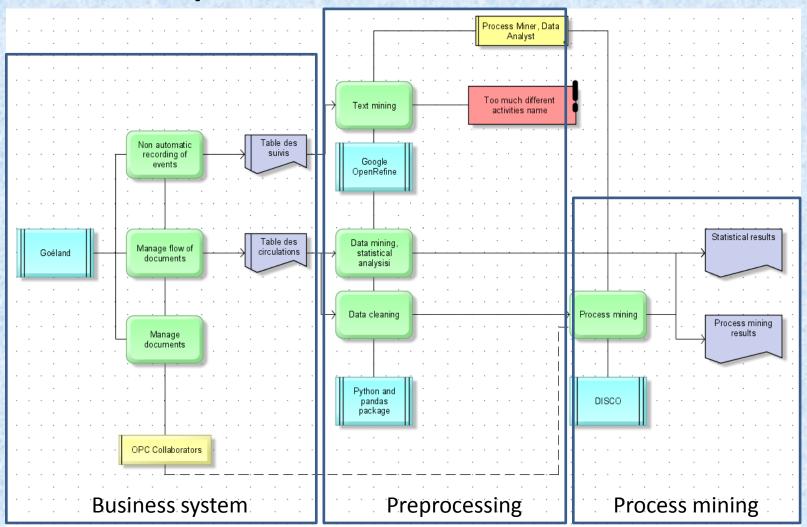
First: extract data...

Next: « process mine » it...

Finally: write a report

Easy, isn't it?

## The entire system landscape to extract and process mine some data



# Goéland the software used by the business

Goéland is the French word for seagull.

It is a software systems midway between a CRMS, a ECMS and a BPMS



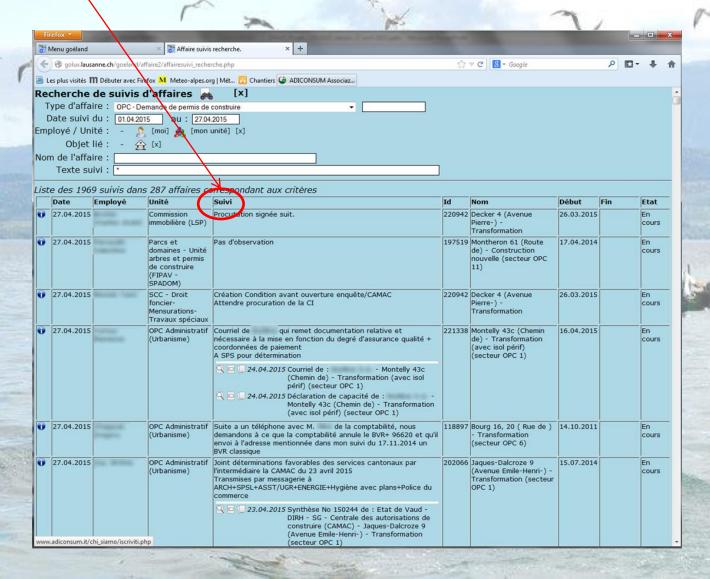
Hopefully! the software engineers are still in house and have good memories

# Goéland screenshots: the summary view

[Menu]							
Topological Decision (Ave.	nue Pierre-) - Transformation						
Identifiant / Type	220942 / OPC - Demande de permis de construire						
Description	Transformations intérieures et extérieures pour l'agrandissement de l'hôpital orthopédique, création d'une passerelle, suppression de 13 places de parc, installation de panneaux photovoltaïque, création d'un exutoire de fumée, toiture végétalisée extensive et aménagements extérieurs						
Commentaire	L'adresse de facturation est la même que celle d'envoi du permis de construire :  Direction des construction, ingénierie, technique et sécurité						
Etat	Affaire en cours						
Analyse matérielle							
Conditions avant o	onditions avant ouverture enquête non remplies						
Conditions avant n	nunicipalité non remplies						
Commencement de l'affaire	26.03.2015						
Sous-type	Transformation						
Loi applicable	Loi sur l'aménagement du territoire et les constructions (LATC)						
Compétence							
Numéro CAMAC	153491						
Dossier de plans	183/2015 (En création)						
Secteur OPC	8 (Secteur ARCH 8a)						
Montant des travaux (CFC2)	El Colonia de Colonia						
Informations facturation	1011 Lausanne Email : .ch						
> Zones de stationne							
Conditions avant e	enquête non remplies (6)						
Conditions avant n	nunicipalité non remplies (2)						
Charges (10)							
Enquête publique							

Follow ups column
= the activities performed

# Goéland screenshots: the follow ups view



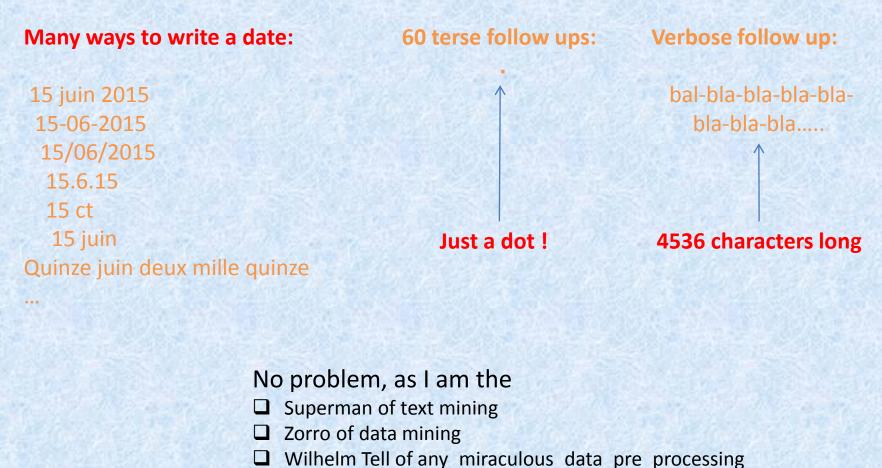
### Some SQL scripts to get some data

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C:\Users\soi 0243\Desktop\scripts OPC.sql - Sublime Text (UNREGISTERED)
File Edit Selection Find View Goto Tools Project Preferences Help
                                    github-get-api.R ×
                                                      logOpera process.xml
                                                                         SELECT AffaireSuivi.IdAffaireSuivi AS IdSuivi.
           AffaireSuivi.IdAffaire AS IdAff,
           Affaire.Name AS NomAff,
           AffaireSuivi.DateOfficielle AS DateSuivi,
           AffaireSuivi.IdEmploye AS IdEmploye,
          EmPloye.Nom + ' ' + Employe.Prenom AS NomEmploye,
          OrgUnit.IdOrgUnit AS IdUniteOrg,
          OrgUnit.Description AS UniteOrg,
           AffaireSuivi.DateCreated AS DateCreationSuivi,
           AffaireSuivi.Commentaire As Suivi
        ROM dbo.AffaireSuivi
          ER JOIN dbo.Employe ON Employe.IdEmploye = AffaireSuivi.IdEmploye
        NNER JOIN dbo.Employe OrgUnit ON Employe OrgUnit.IdEmploye = AffaireSuivi.IdEmploye AND Employe OrgUnit.LevelOU = 0
        INNER JOIN dbo.OrgUnit ON OrgUnit.IdOrgUnit = Employe OrgUnit.IdOrgUnit
          RE AffaireSuivi.DateOfficielle >= '2011-01-01'
       ORDER BY AffaireSuivi.IdAffaire, AffaireSuivi.DateOfficielle
       Circulations (format xml) :
       CREATE TABLE #TTCN AffaireCirculationEtat
           IdCirculation int NOT NULL,
           Etat varchar(100) NOT NULL
      DECLARE @IdCirculation int, @IdAffaire int, @DeltaDeb int, @DeltaFin int, @DateDebutCtrl datetime, @DateEnvoiAlert datetime
       DECLARE @IdOrgUnit int, @OKCondition int
      DECLARE @Etat varchar(100)
      DECLARE @InfoTermine varchar(50)
       DECLARE cCirc CURSOR FOR
           DATEDIFF(day, GETDATE(), AffaireCirculation.DateDebutCtrl),
           DATEDIFF(day, GETDATE(), AffaireCirculation.DateEnvoiAlert)
      FROM dbo.AffaireCirculation
          IER JOIN dbo.Affaire ON Affaire.IdAffaire = AffaireCirculation.IdAffaire AND Affaire.IdTypeAffaire IN (1,218)
       WHERE AffaireCirculation.DateDebutCtrl >= '2011-01-01'
       FETCH cCirc INTO @IdCirculation, @IdAffaire, @DateDebutCtrl, @DateEnvoiAlert, @DeltaDeb, @DeltaFin
       WHILE @@FETCH STATUS = 0
           Line 6, Column 41
                                                                                                                                                            Tab Size: 4
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#### Wait! « free text »?

From these 67k events, there are more than 42k different activity names...



## Quality assessment of the data table of follow ups

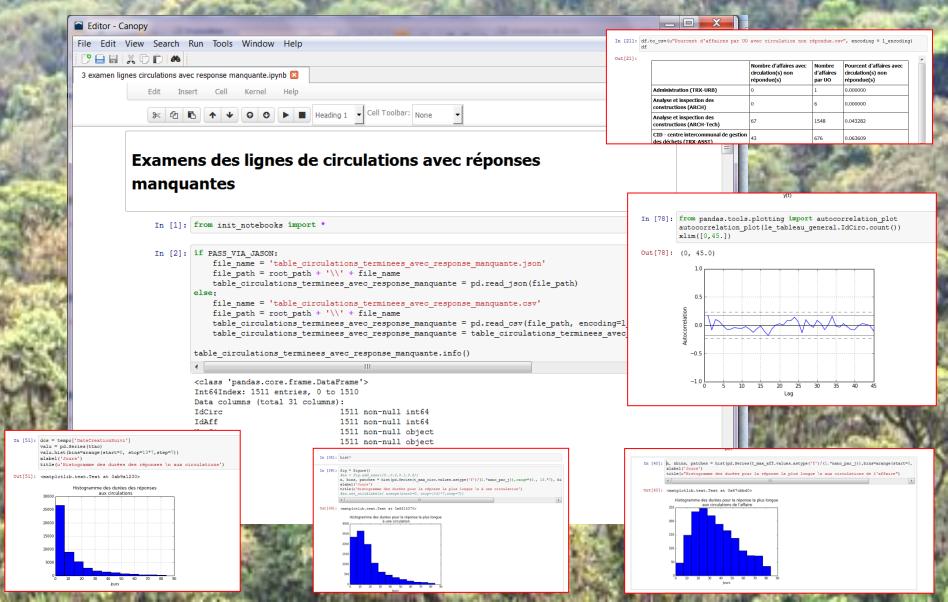
	Case	Event	Belongs to	C_attribute	Position	Activity name	Timestamp	Resource	E_attribute
Missing Data	<b>©</b>	<b>©</b>	<b>©</b>	<b>©</b>	<b>©</b>	<b>8</b> 1	<b>©</b>	<b>©</b>	<u></u> 2
Incorrect Data									
Imprecise Data			<b>©</b>	<b>©</b>	<b>©</b>	<u> </u>			<u></u> 3
Irrelevant Data		<u>•</u> 1							

- 1) No activity names per se. A free text (the follow up) that could be reduced to an activity name (after a heavy use of text mining clustering techniques).
- 2) Do not contain the length of time for the activity. Hence it will be impossible to differentiate waiting times and processing times.
- 3) Follow ups written as free text are ambiguous, fuzzy and non standardized labels (see 1) above)

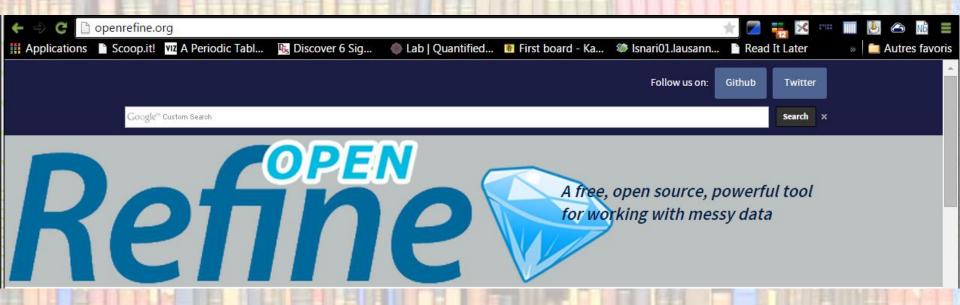
cf: « Wanna Improve Process Mining Results? , It's High Time We Consider Data Quality Issues Seriously", par R.P. Jagadeesh Chandra Bose, Ronny S. Mans and Wil M.P. van der Aalst <a href="http://bpmcenter.org/wp-content/uploads/reports/2013/BPM-13-02.pdf">http://bpmcenter.org/wp-content/uploads/reports/2013/BPM-13-02.pdf</a>
See also http://coda.fluxicon.com/assets/downloads/Training/Articles/Ensuring-Data-Quality-In-Process-Mining.pdf



#### Canopy Python to clean and get stat



## Pragmatic text mining with Open Refine

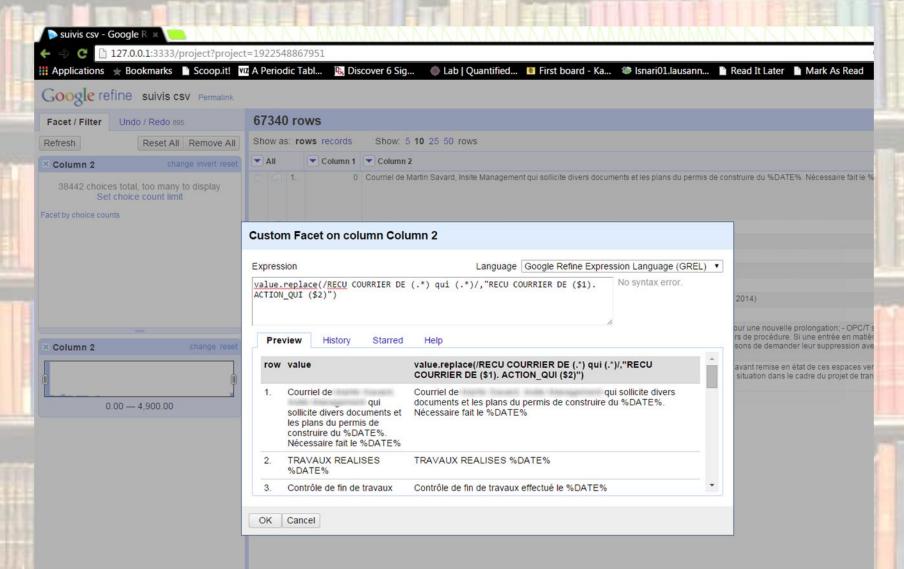


- 1. Explore Data
- 2. Clean and Transform Data
- 3. Reconcile and Match Data

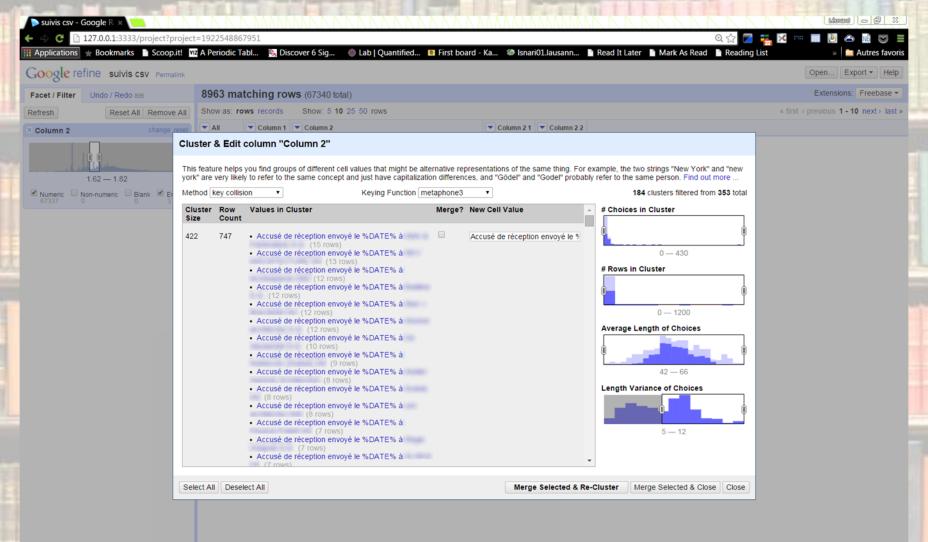
#### « Demo » of an Open Refine session

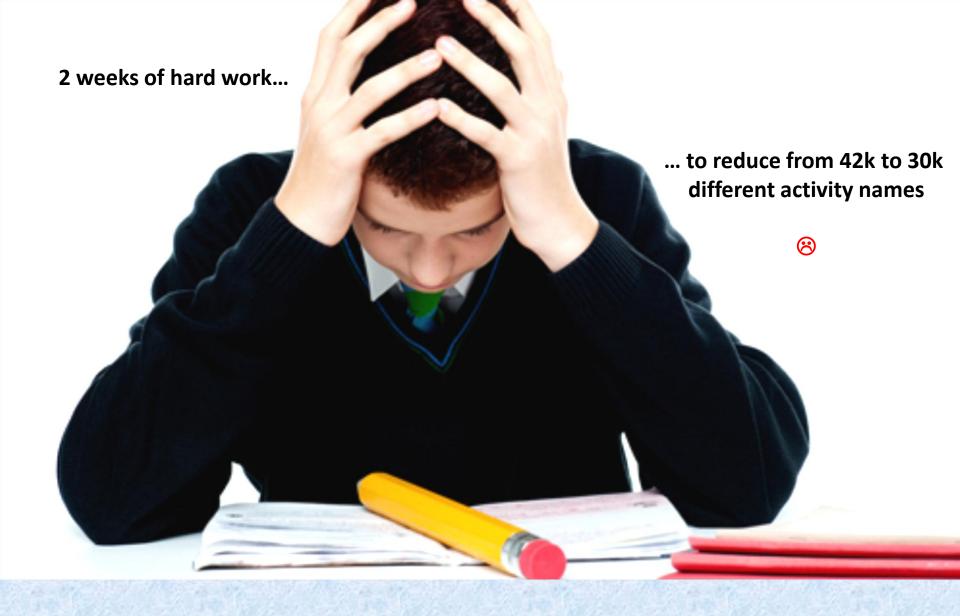


# Facets, selections and the GREL command language in Open Refine



# The very powerful « Cluster and Edit » functions in Open Refine

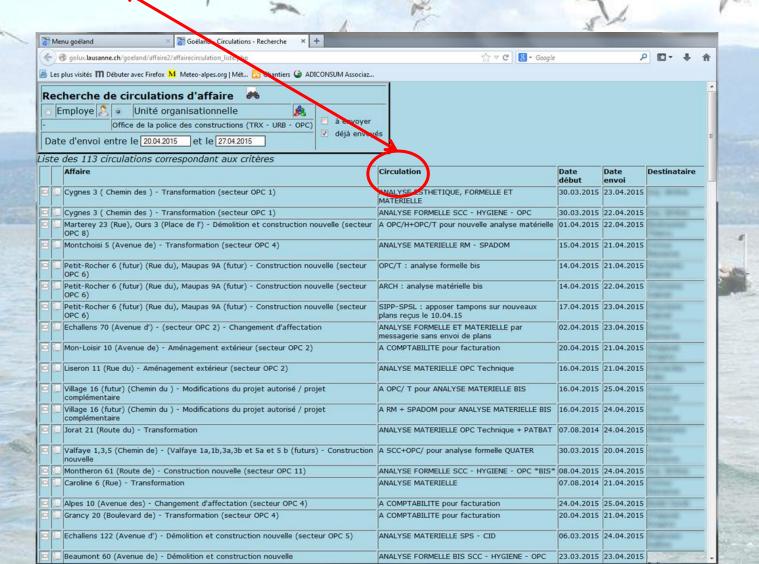




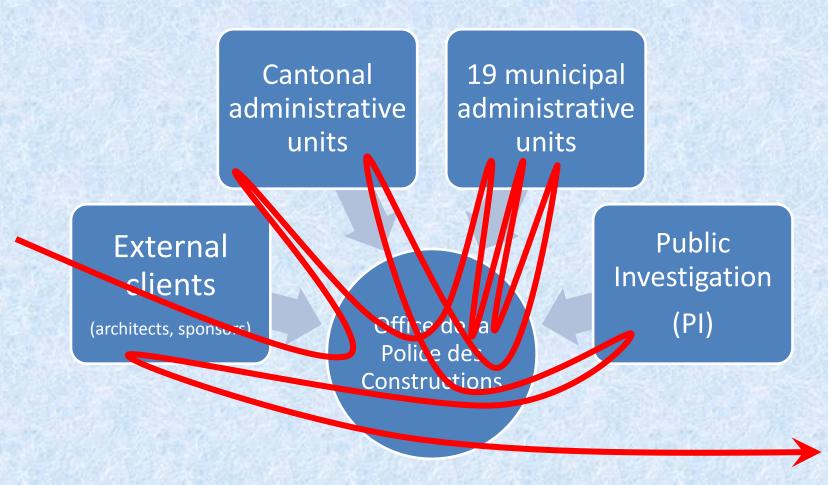
### **Hopeless Text Mining?**

### Circulation column = some of the activities performed

# Goéland screenshots: the circulation view



### Circulations track the documents flows



One circulation is a question from OPC and the answer(s) from other unit(s)

### Finally Success with Text Mining!

Table of follow ups

**Table of circulations** 

√ Full coverage of process

Partial coverage of process

42'000 activity names reduced to 30'000

2'400 activity names reduced to 24





(<u>structured</u> free texts)

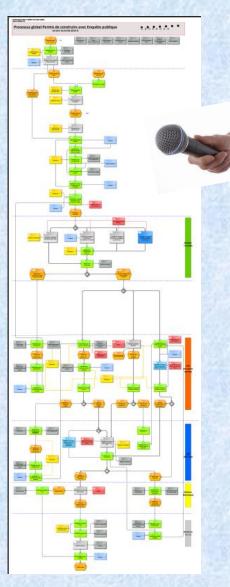


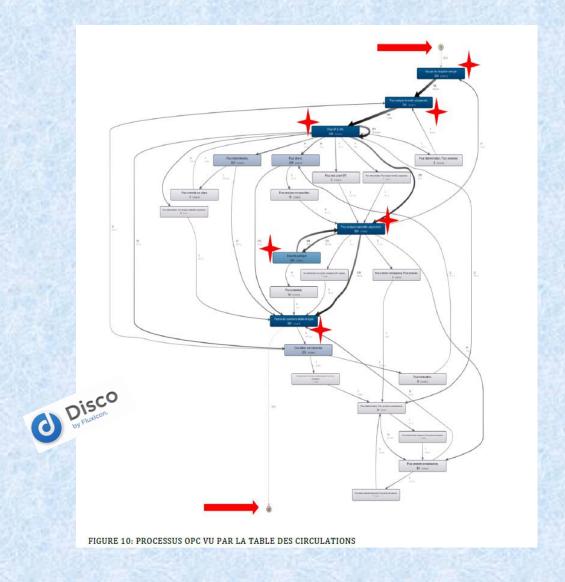


### Global process model

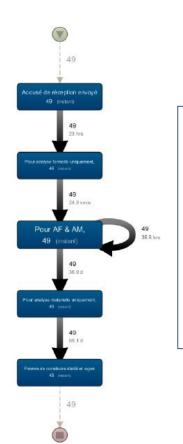
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### Modeled process





# The 2 most frequent variants seen by process mining



Interviewing business people, these are the only expected process variants.

However, these two most frequent variants cover only 76 cases over 909!

This a nice illustration of the human tendency to over-simplify reality.

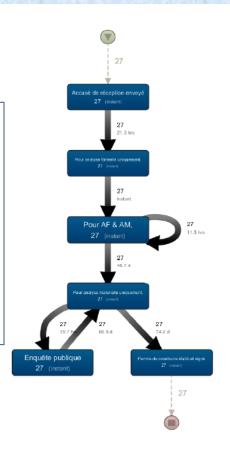
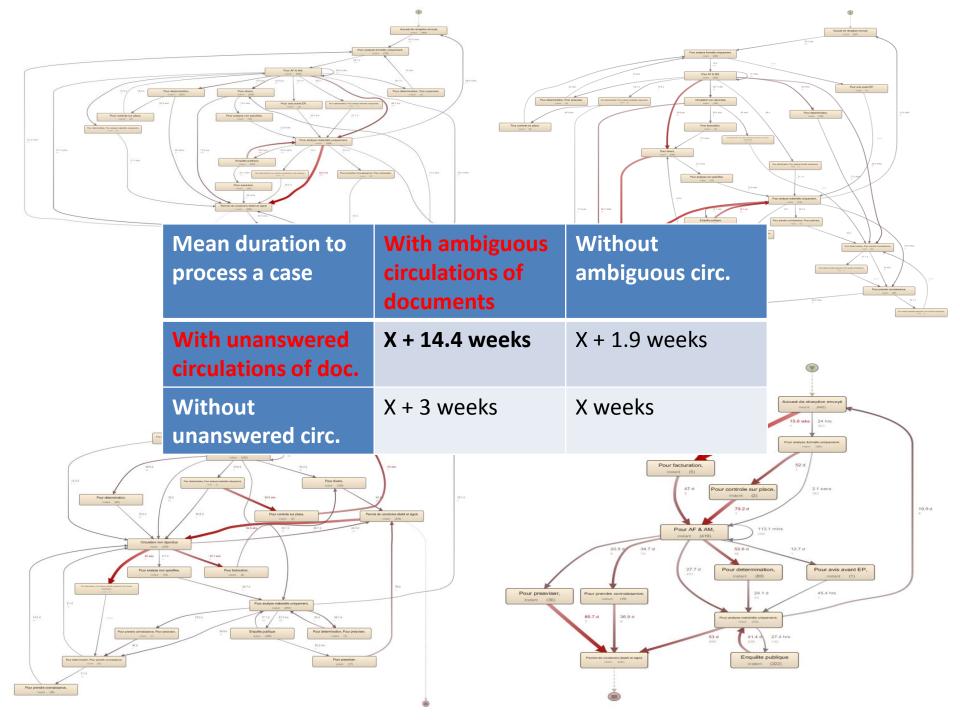


FIGURE 17: LOGIGRAMME DES 27 AFFAIRES SUIVANT LA SÉQUENCE D'ACTIVITÉS LA DEUXIÈME EN FRÉQUENCE

FIGURE 16: LOGIGRAMME DES 49 AFFAIRES SUIVANT LA SÉQUENCE D'ACTIVITÉS LAPLUS FRÉQUENTE



# Realized benefits, strengths & weaknesses of the study

- Realized benefits
  - 1st cartography of AS-IS process
  - Performance measurements for the process
  - About 50 suggestions for improving the process

Stre	ngths	Weaknesses
	nbines the possibilities of two shods of analysis	No budget
	kimum results in a minimum of e (3 months)	No control on implementations

#### Critical success factors

- Mandate issued by a member of the City Council
- Cooperative actors in the business management
- No barriers to access data
- External pressure for change
- Efficient and user friendly software tools
- Very good cooperation between the 2 auditors
- No analysis of political and human resources issues:
  - the process, JUST the process and nothing else!

#### Conclusions

- This Process Mining study renewed the perspectives on the process in a very short time
- This study was key in establishing Process Mining as a relevant tool in Lausanne
- Business people were delighted by the quality of findings
- In 3 months, we were able to propose more than 50 recommendations to improve the process
- Classical Business Analysis and Process Mining Analysis were mutually enriching the study