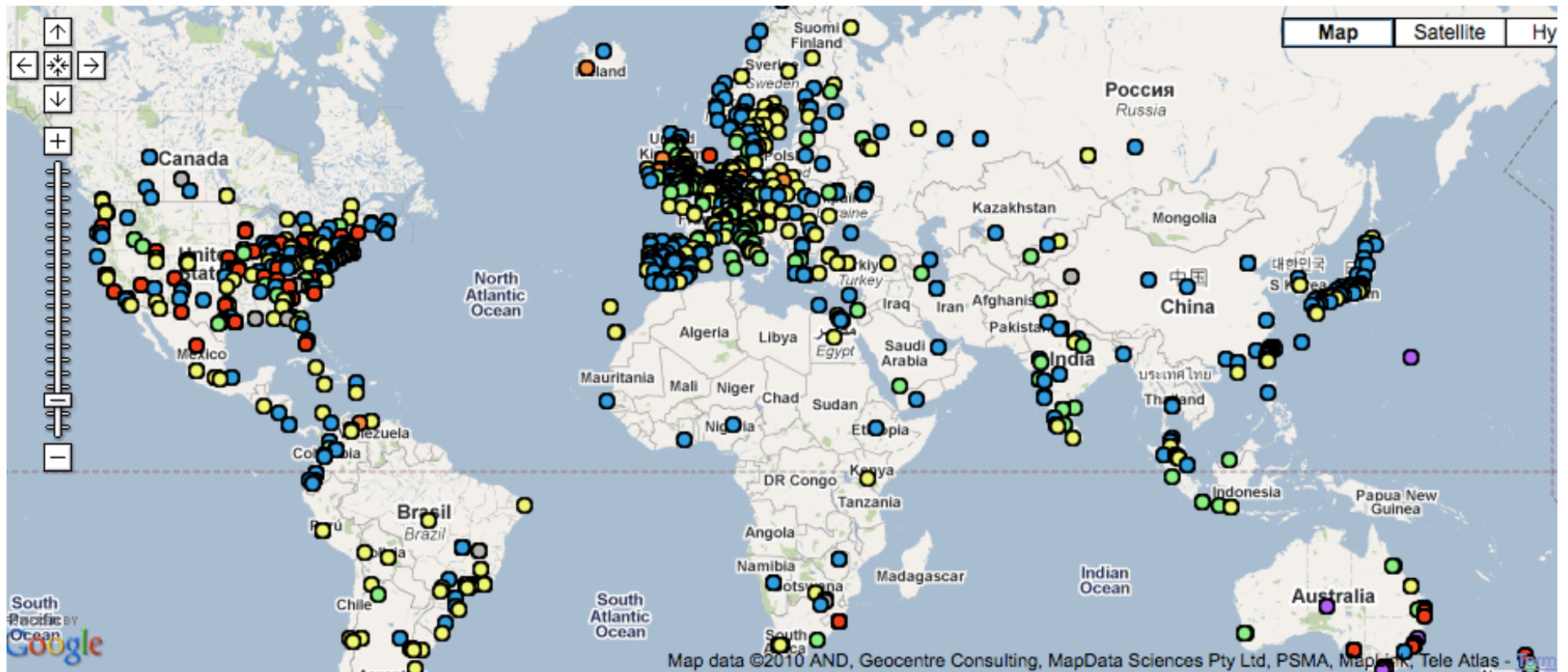
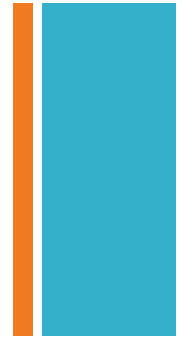


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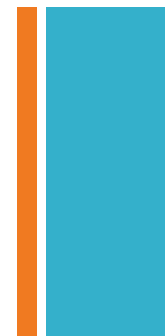
Andrea Kosavic, Digital Initiatives Librarian

+ YorkSpace is one of over 1800 repositories worldwide...



+ YorkSpace runs on DSpace repository software

- Dspace is repository software developed by MIT and HP
- It is the most popular repository software due to its features and relative ease of setup
- Other popular repository platforms: Fedora, Eprints, Bepress



+ Repositories do not behave
like regular websites...

+ Web crawlers can't deduce meaning from simple text

Text as it appears on website

Title of article

Author(s)

Journal name etc.

URL

Interpretation by web crawler

Text Text Text

Text URL

+ How YorkSpace data appears to web crawlers

Text as it appears on website

Title of article

Author(s)

Journal name etc.

URL

Interpretation by web crawler

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etc...



Repositories offer many benefits

- Data has meaning
- Interoperability
- Universal access
- Increased visibility
- Metrics
- Persistent access
- Long term archiving
- Institutional context

More background here: http://www.arl.org/sparc/greaterreach/practical_benefits/index.shtml

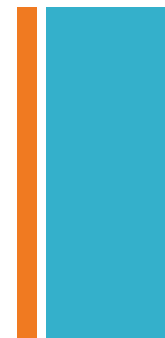
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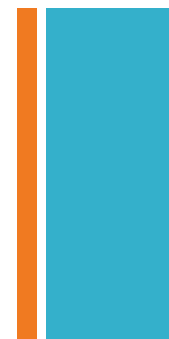
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- Research centres (YCISS, CRS, CRLC, CAC, IRIS)
- Communities arranged by Faculty and Department (Education, Fine Arts, Graduate Studies, Health, Science and Engineering)
- Tribute collections (Barbara Godard, HS Harris)
- Research communities, conference proceedings, software



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