Starting to Text Mine the Digitized Library with HathiTrust Features

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- 1. What books are scanned?
 - (a) Who scans books?
 - (b) Some ways of looking at what exists in Hathi
 - (c) Everything you need to know about book scanning
 - i. Book scanners
 - ii. Stupid mistakes
 - iii. OCR
- 2. How do you build up a list of Hathi volumes to work with?
 - (a) Hathi Worksets
 - (b) Keep lists of ids
 - (c) Hathifiles (https://www.hathitrust.org/hathifiles)
- 3. "Feature Count" data.
 - (a) Json data
 - (b) Libraries

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Python: HTRC-Feature reader. (Organisciak et al). Powerful conda install htrc-feature-reader pip install git+git://github.com/massivetexts/htrc-feature-reader@caching R: "Hathidy." Schmidt.
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if (!require("remotes")) install.packages("remotes")
remotes::install_github("HumanitiesDataAnalysis/hathidy")
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Javascript/Online. Suitable for quick looks.

[https://observablehq.com/@bmschmidt/book-visualizations-sandbox]

[https://observablehq.com/@bmschmidt/some-notes-on-the-statistics-of-defining-characteristic-wo]

- 4. What sort of questions can you answer with these word counts, anyway?
 - (a) Extending metadata and similarity
 - (b) Exploratory
 - (c) Substantive: Genre, etc.

Underwood, Distant Horizons

(d) Bibliographical