



Interoperability / FAIR Data : building on Standards and Best Practices to achieve it

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Why do we need interoperability -> hydrology example

- Let's go there : https://external.ogc.org/twiki_public/HydrologyDWG/DarmstadtTc2009
- 2009_Sept_Darmstadt_HarmonisationObservations_PeterT.ppt



www.csiro.au

Harmonisation of water observations data standards

Water for a Healthy Country

Pete Taylor
29th September
OGC TC – Darmstadt 2009

National Research
FLAGSHIPS





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The need for standards

- Sharing of hydrological data is somewhat ad-hoc, based largely on CSV files and FTP
- Leads to very inefficient (or non-existent) transfer and sharing of data
- Sharing requires a lot of transformation effort on the behalf of the data requestor
 - Parse different file formats
 - Understand the concepts
 - Metadata is often limited or non-existent, requiring follow up conversations

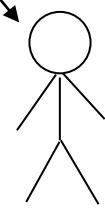


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Hydro Jack

Need flow data!

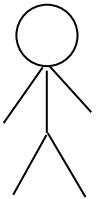
Hmm maybe Don can help...



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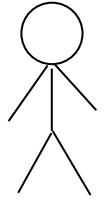
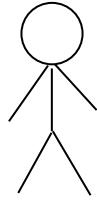
Hi Don, I need some
upper Derwent flow
readings for my
geochemical model.
Any ideas?

Hmm, I've got one site.
I'll send it through...





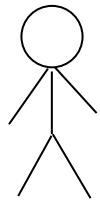
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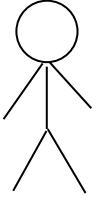
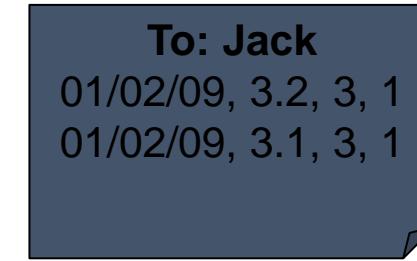
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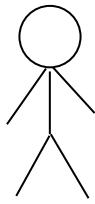


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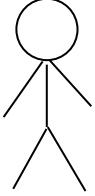


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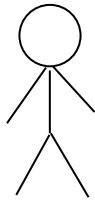
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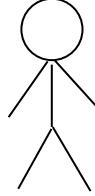


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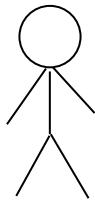


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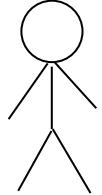
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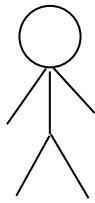
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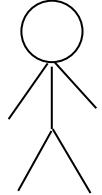
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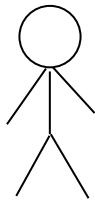
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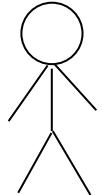
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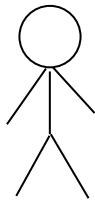
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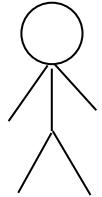
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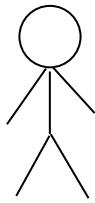
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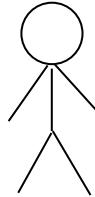
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How often have you been Hydro Jack
(or Don) ?



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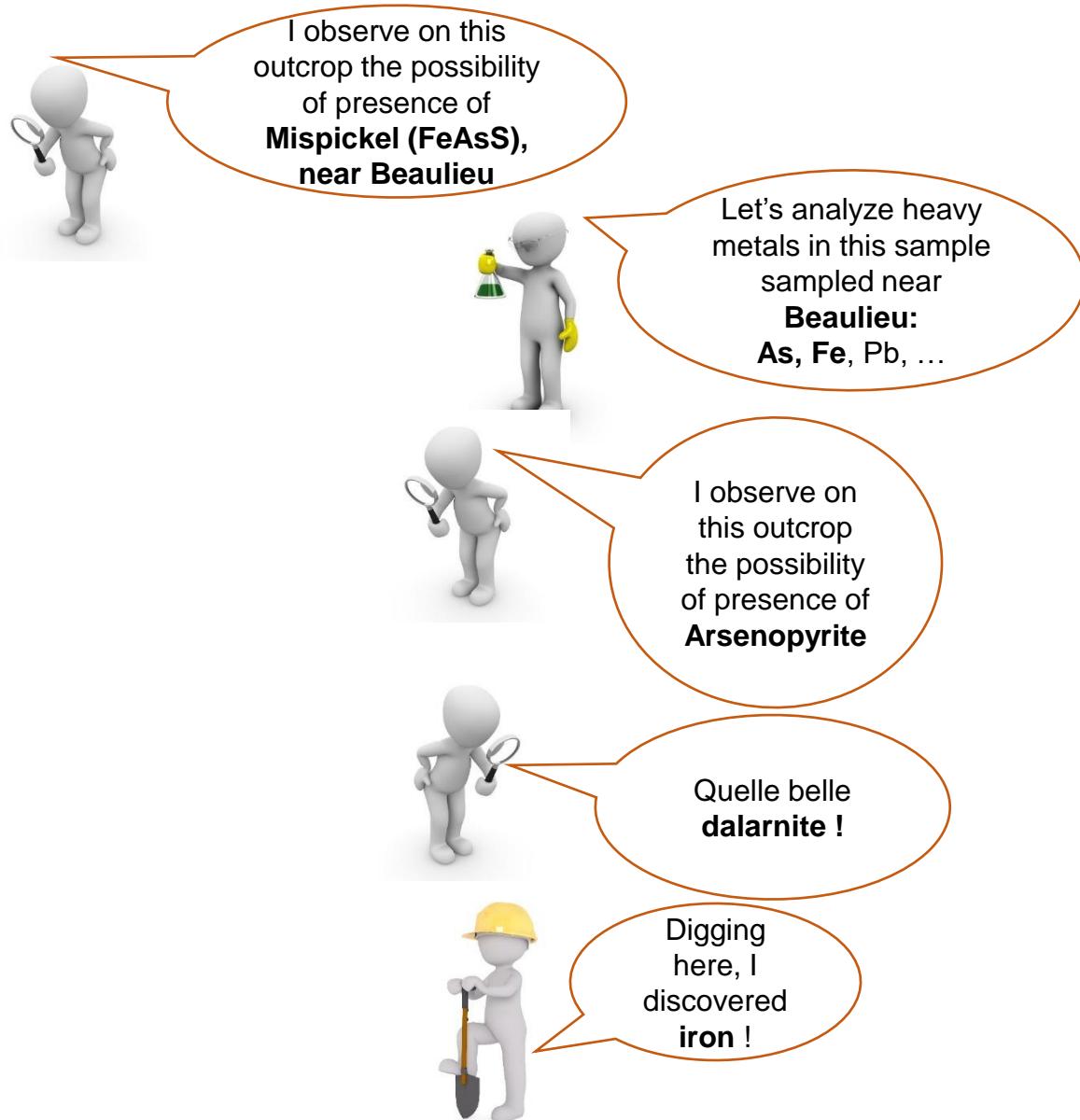
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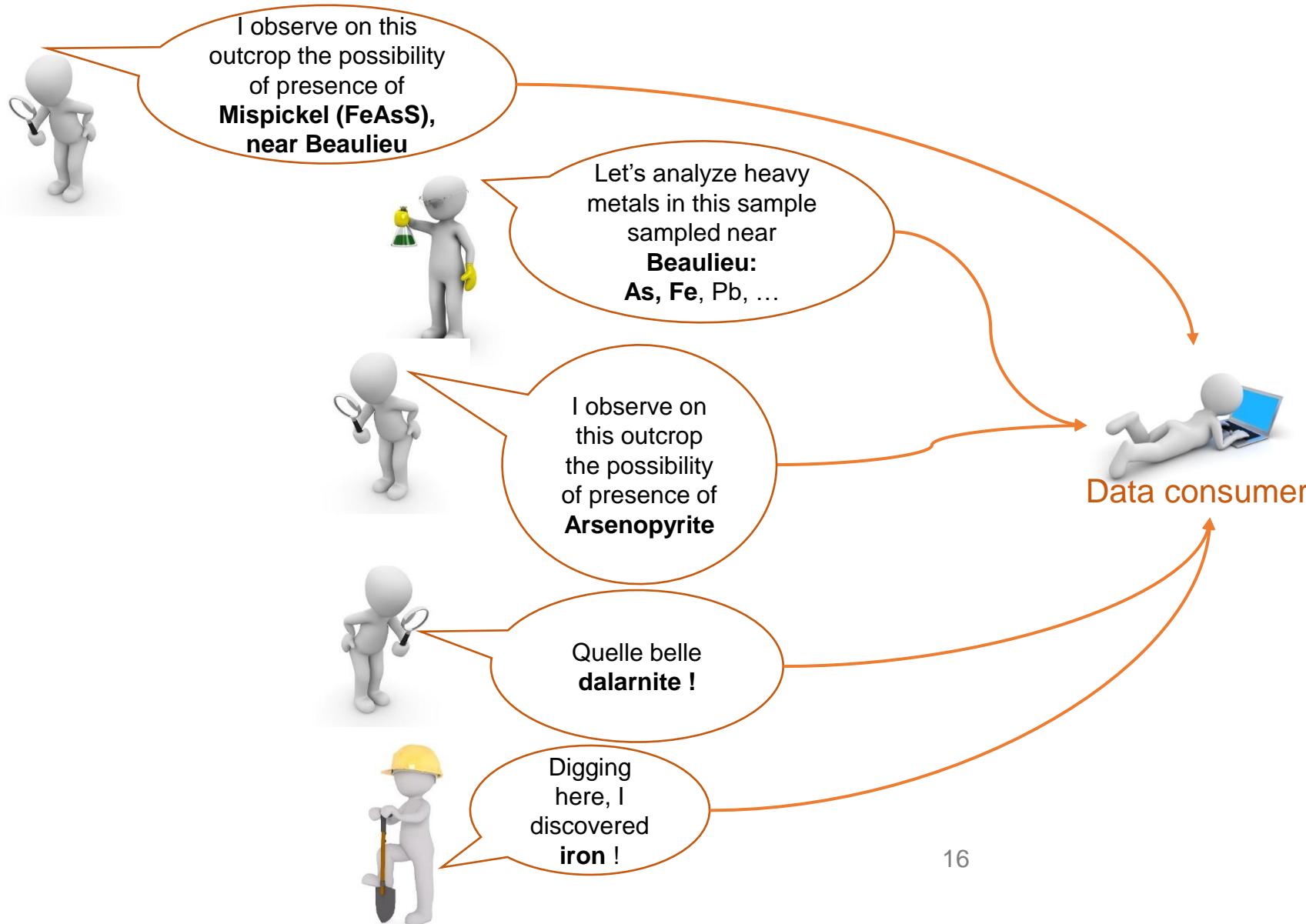
Trad : *Linked data registries and vocabularies*
Data quality & interoperability thanks to semantics



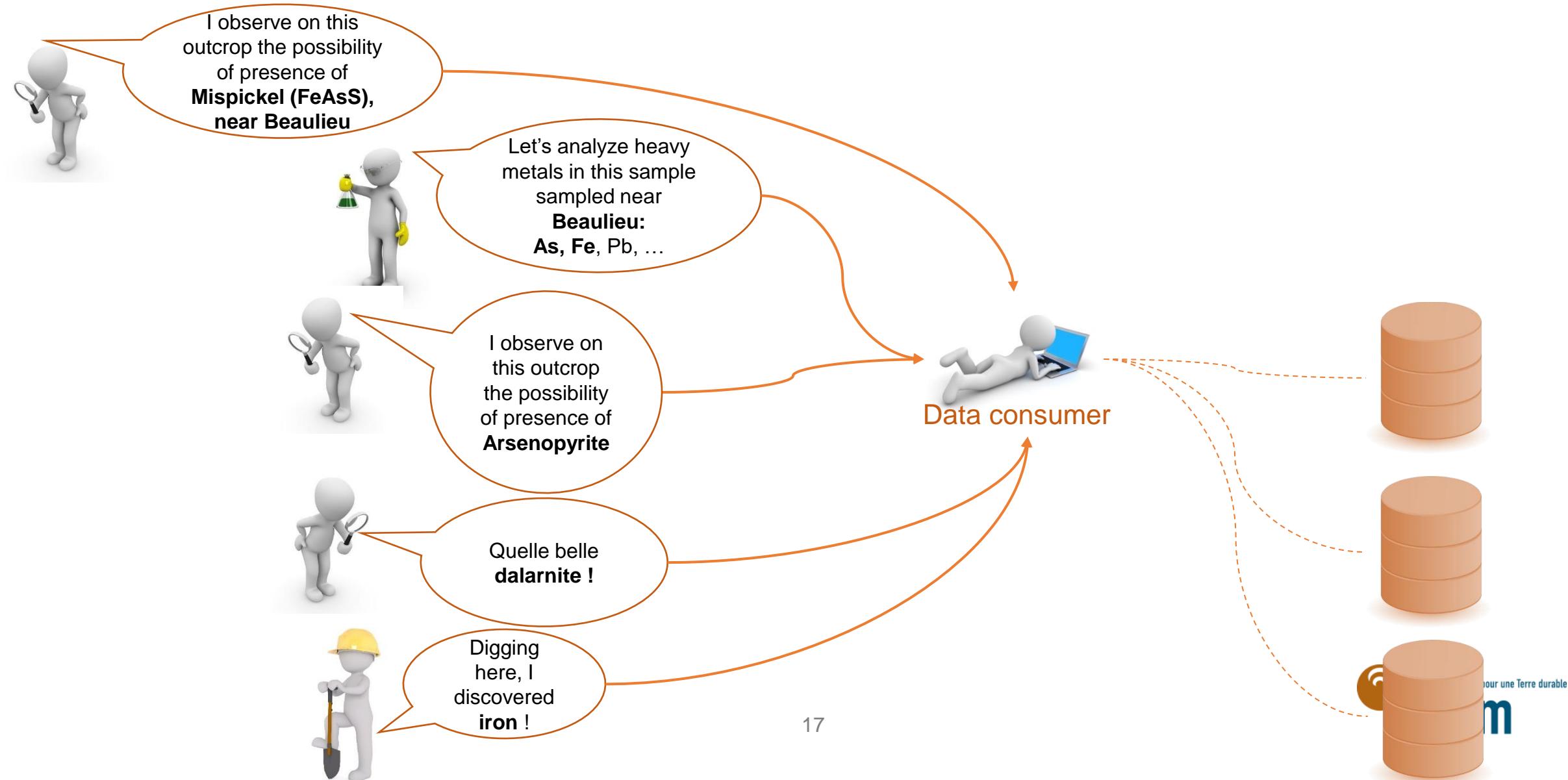
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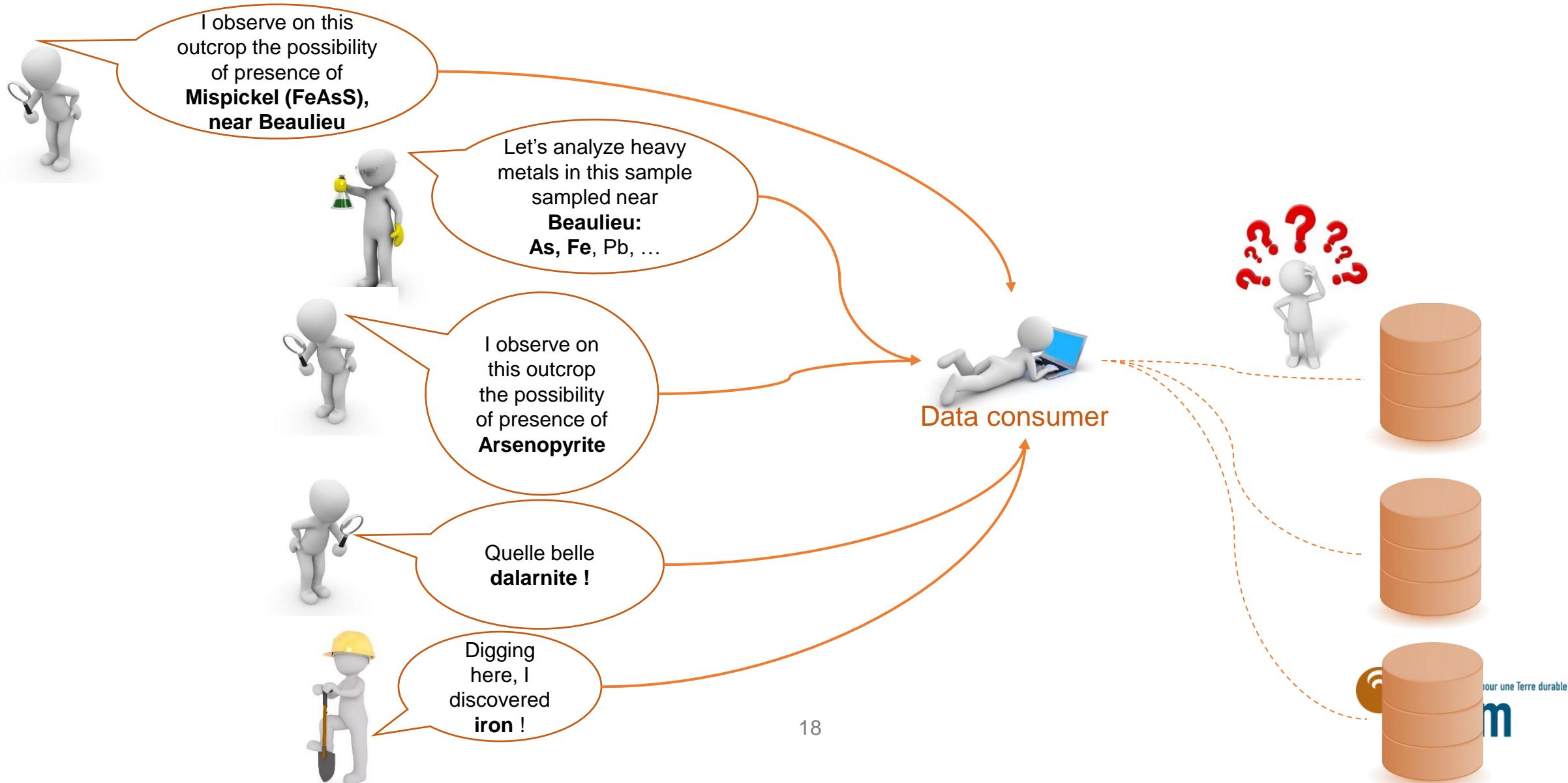
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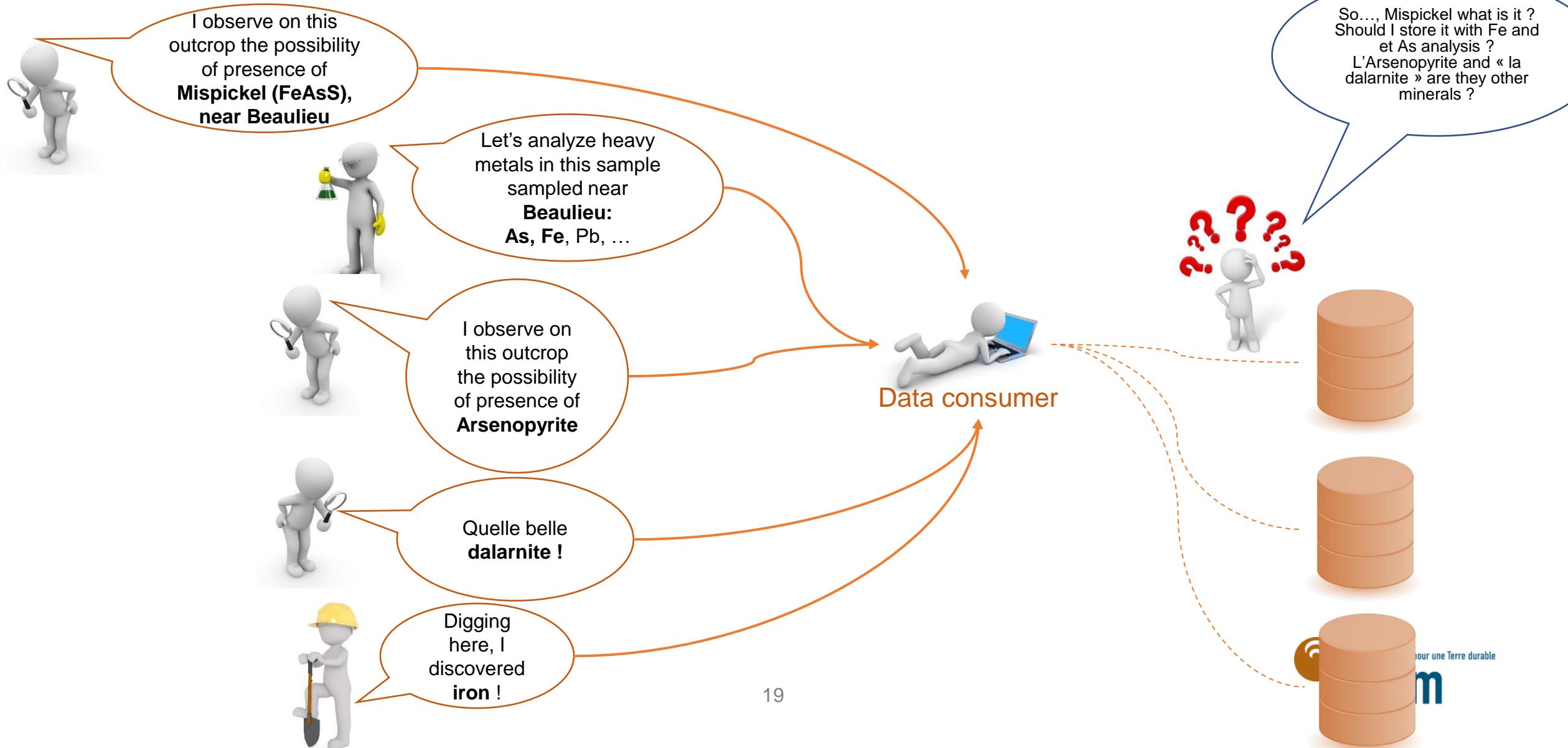
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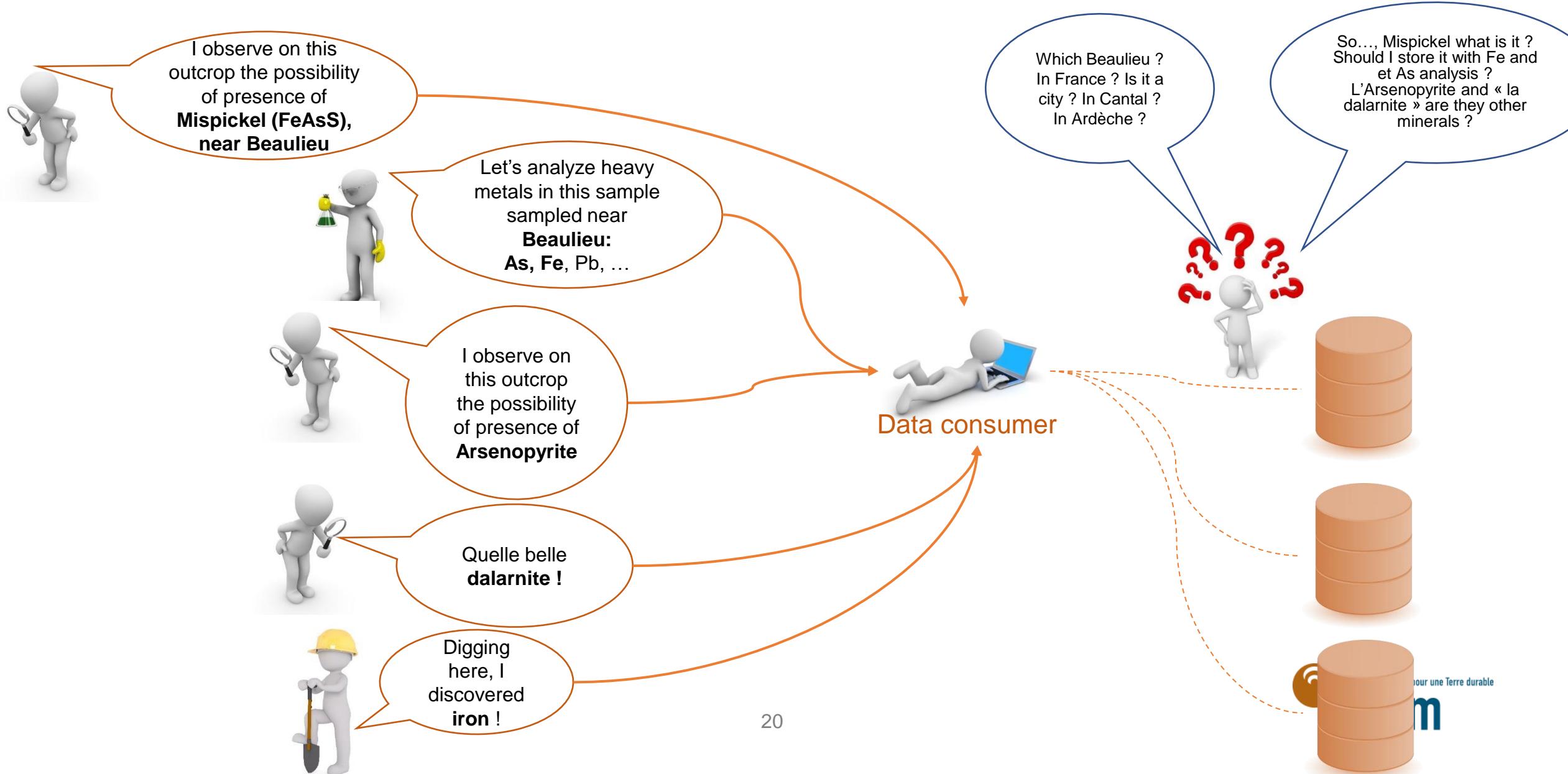
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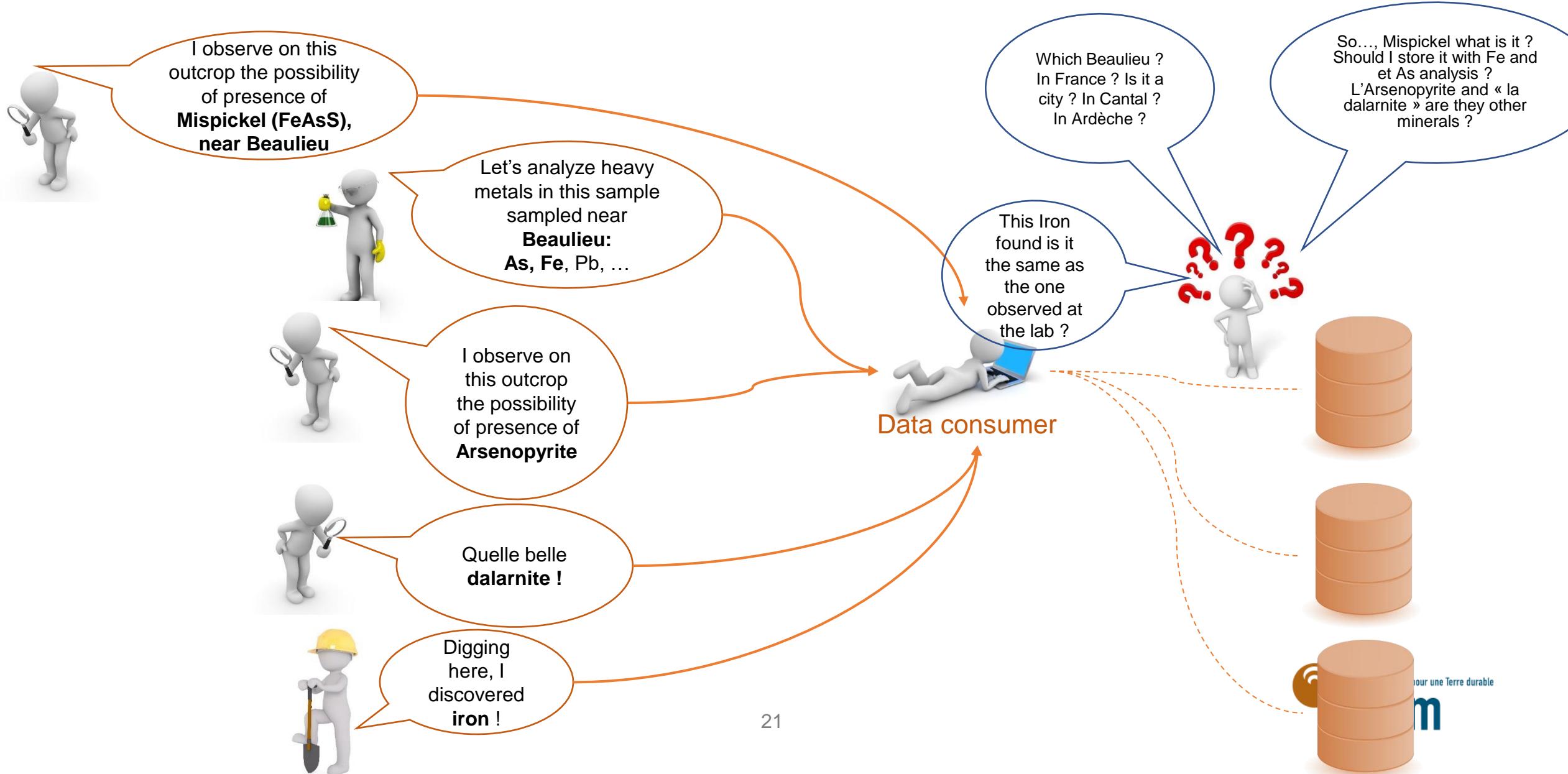
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I observe on this outcrop the possibility of presence of **Mispickel (FeAsS)**, near Beaulieu



Let's analyze heavy metals in this sample sampled near Beaulieu: As, Fe, Pb, ...



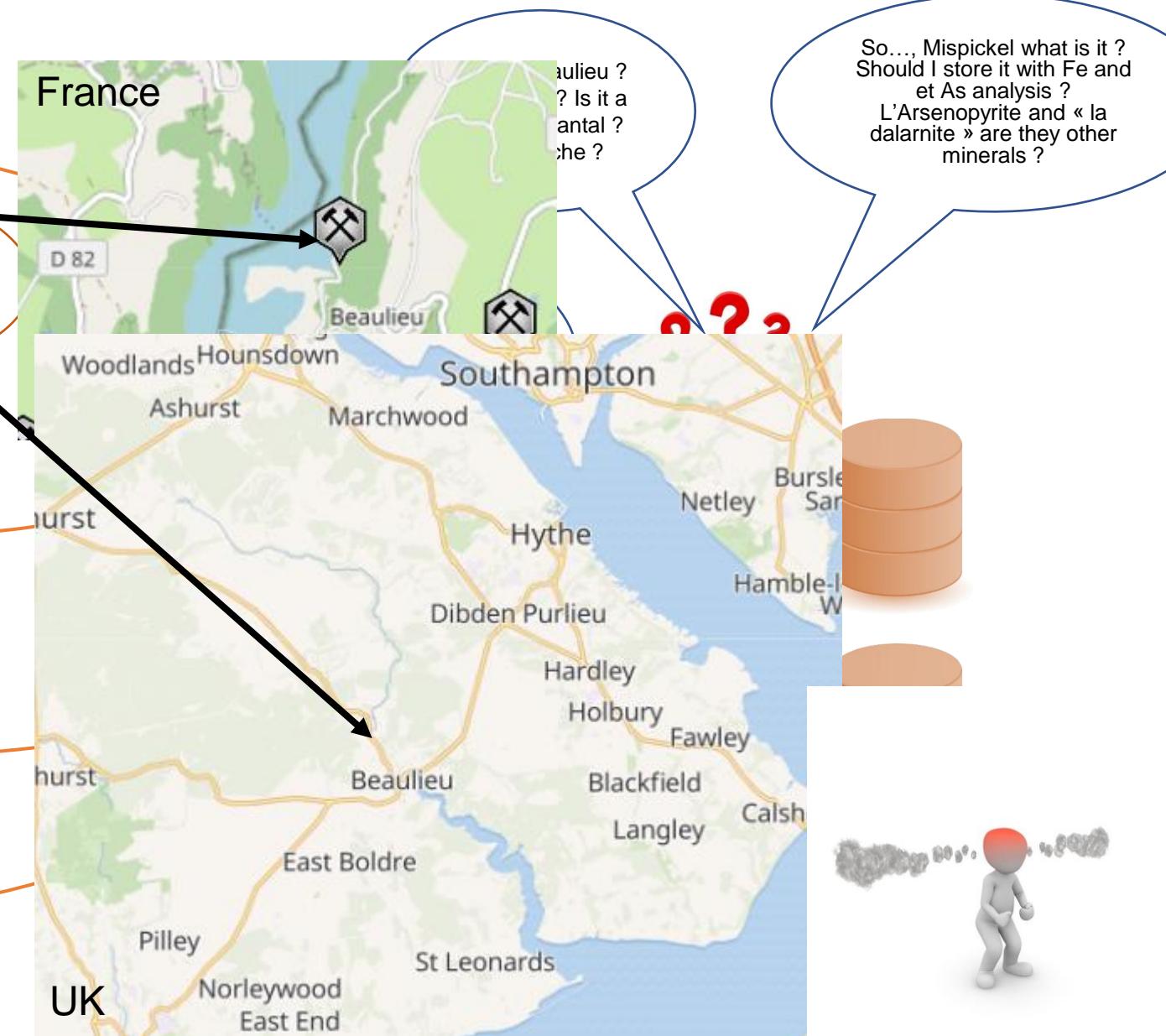
I observe on this outcrop the possibility of presence of **Arsenopyrite**



Quelle belle dalarnite !



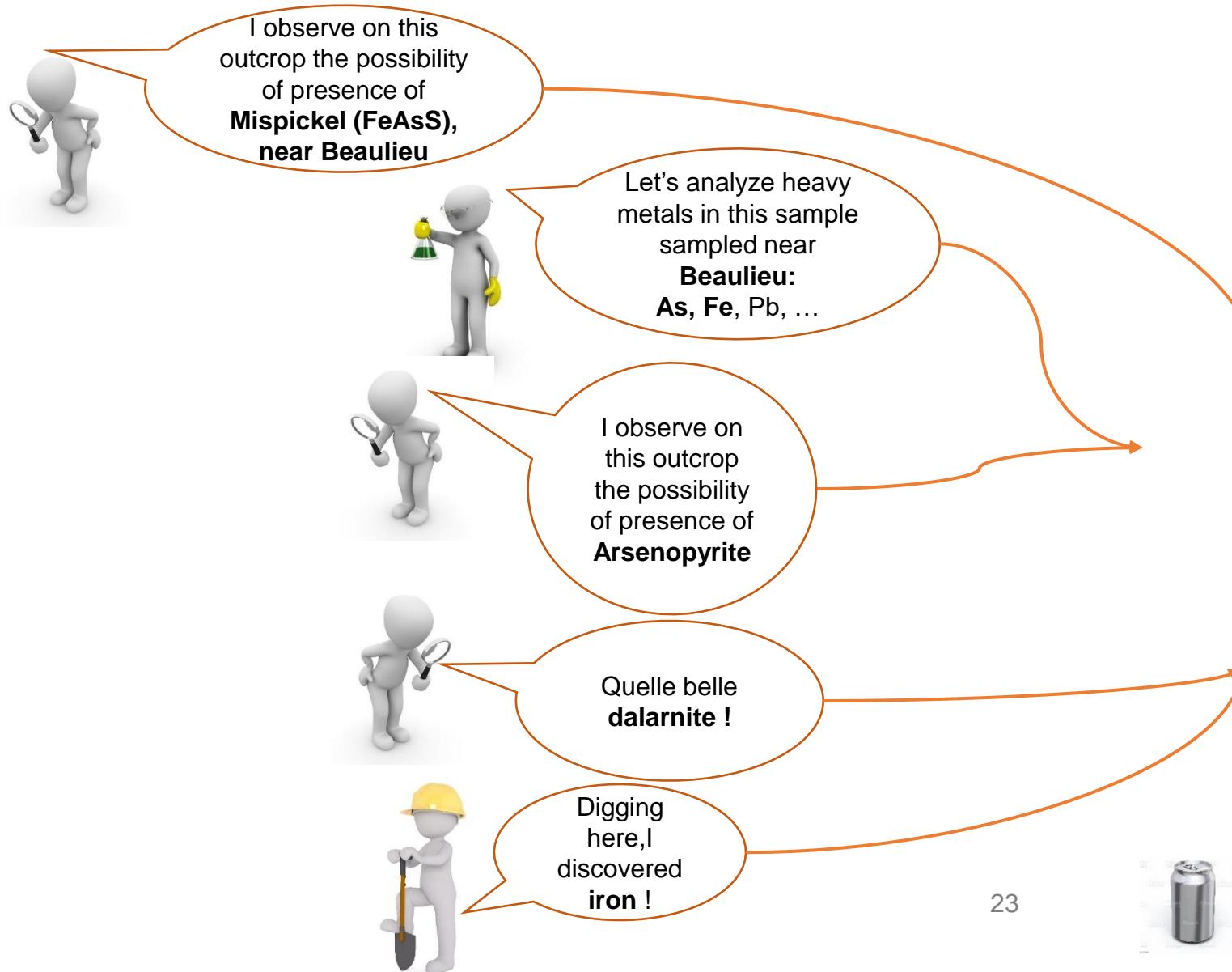
Digging here, I discovered iron !



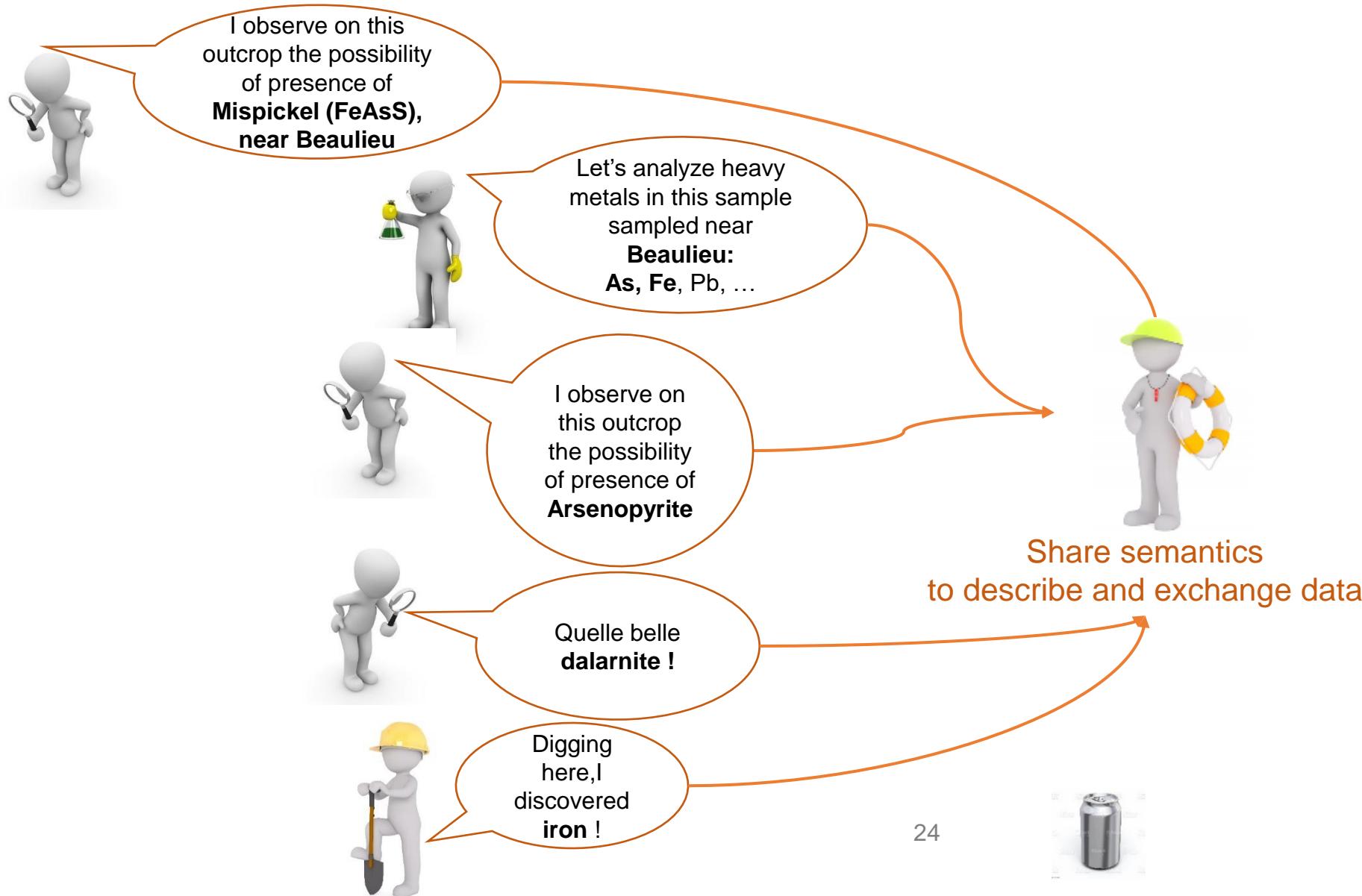
So.... Mispickel what is it ?
Should I store it with Fe and et As analysis ?
L'Arsenopyrite and « la dalarnite » are they other minerals ?



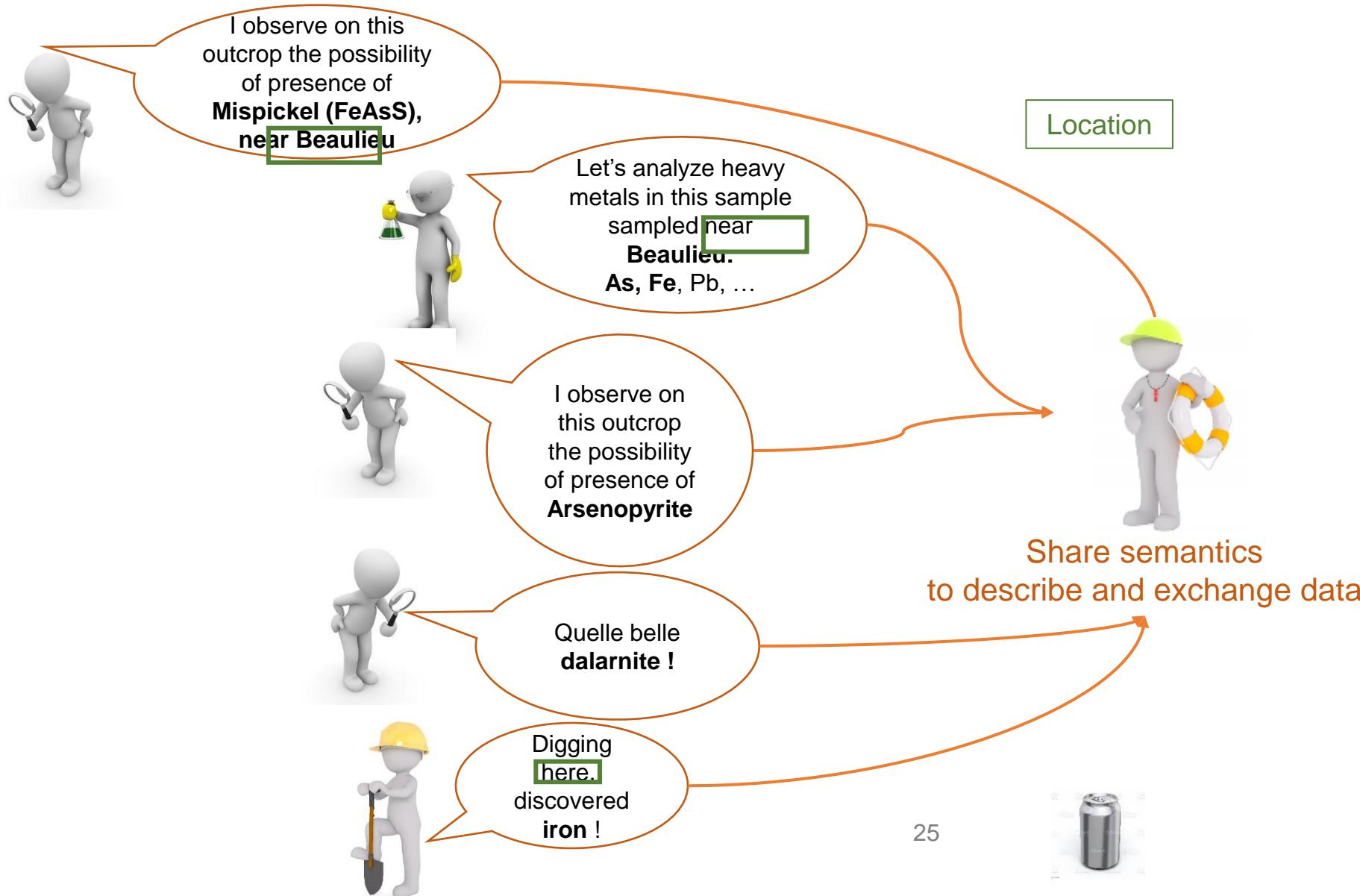
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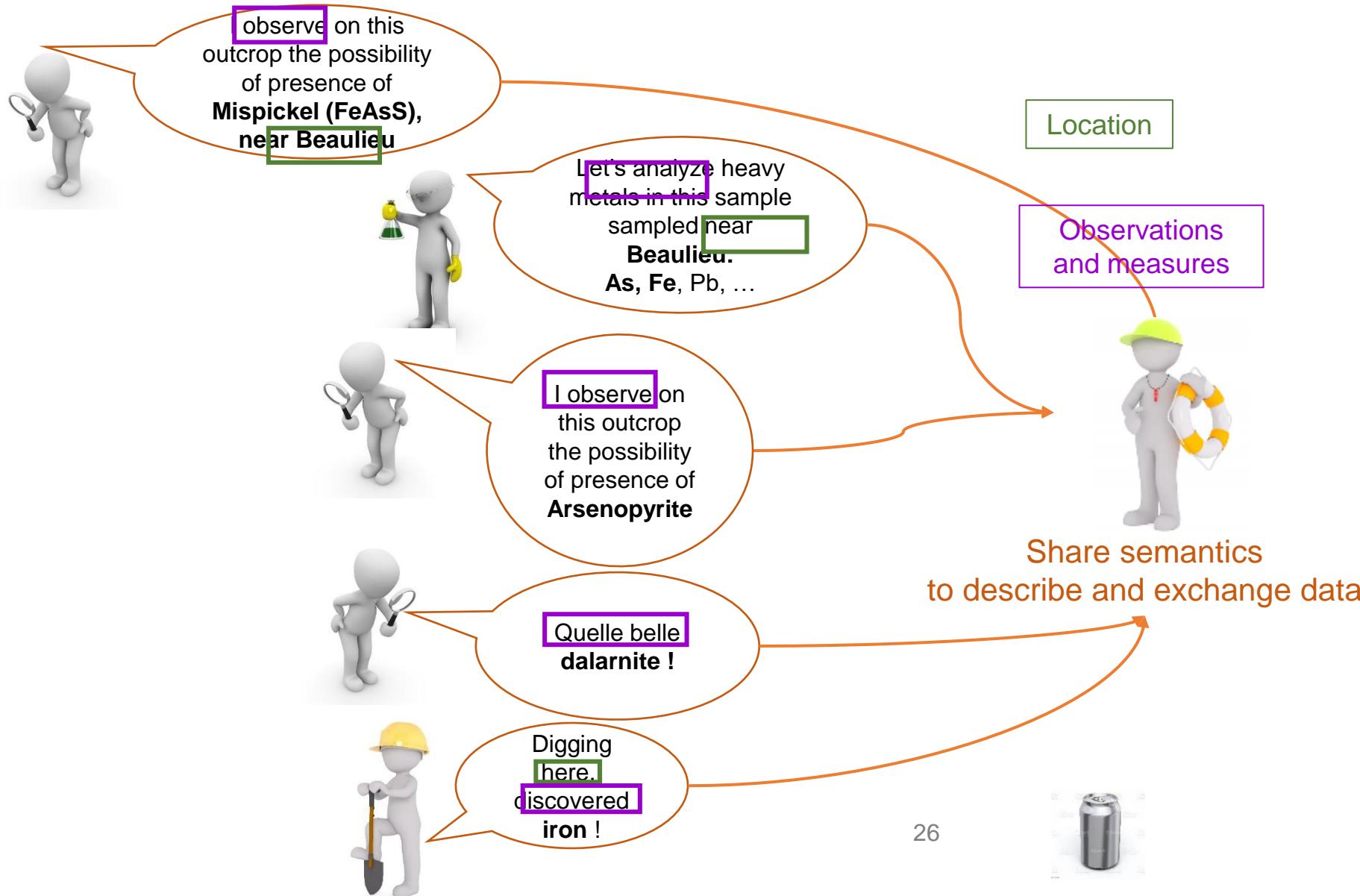
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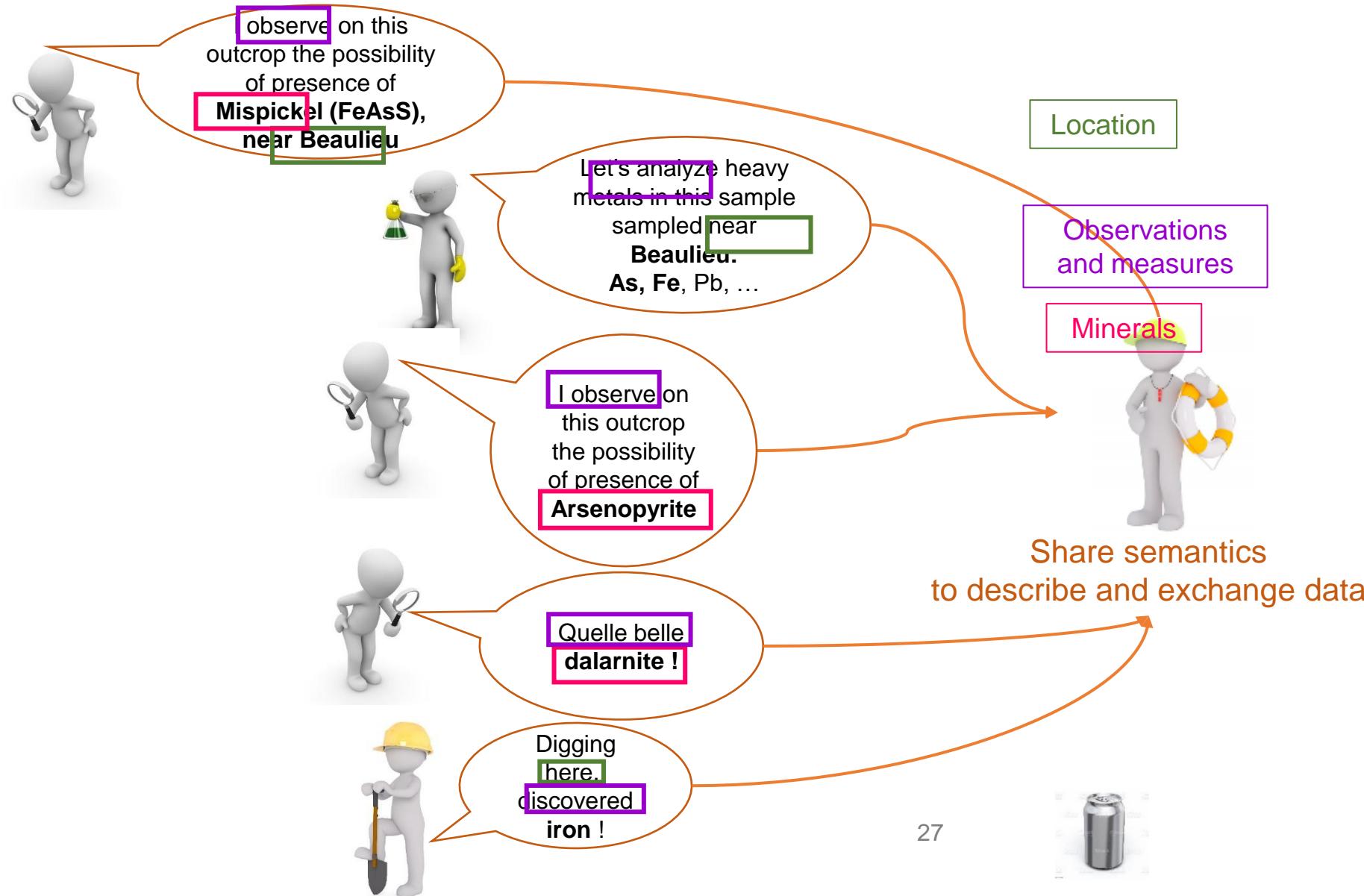
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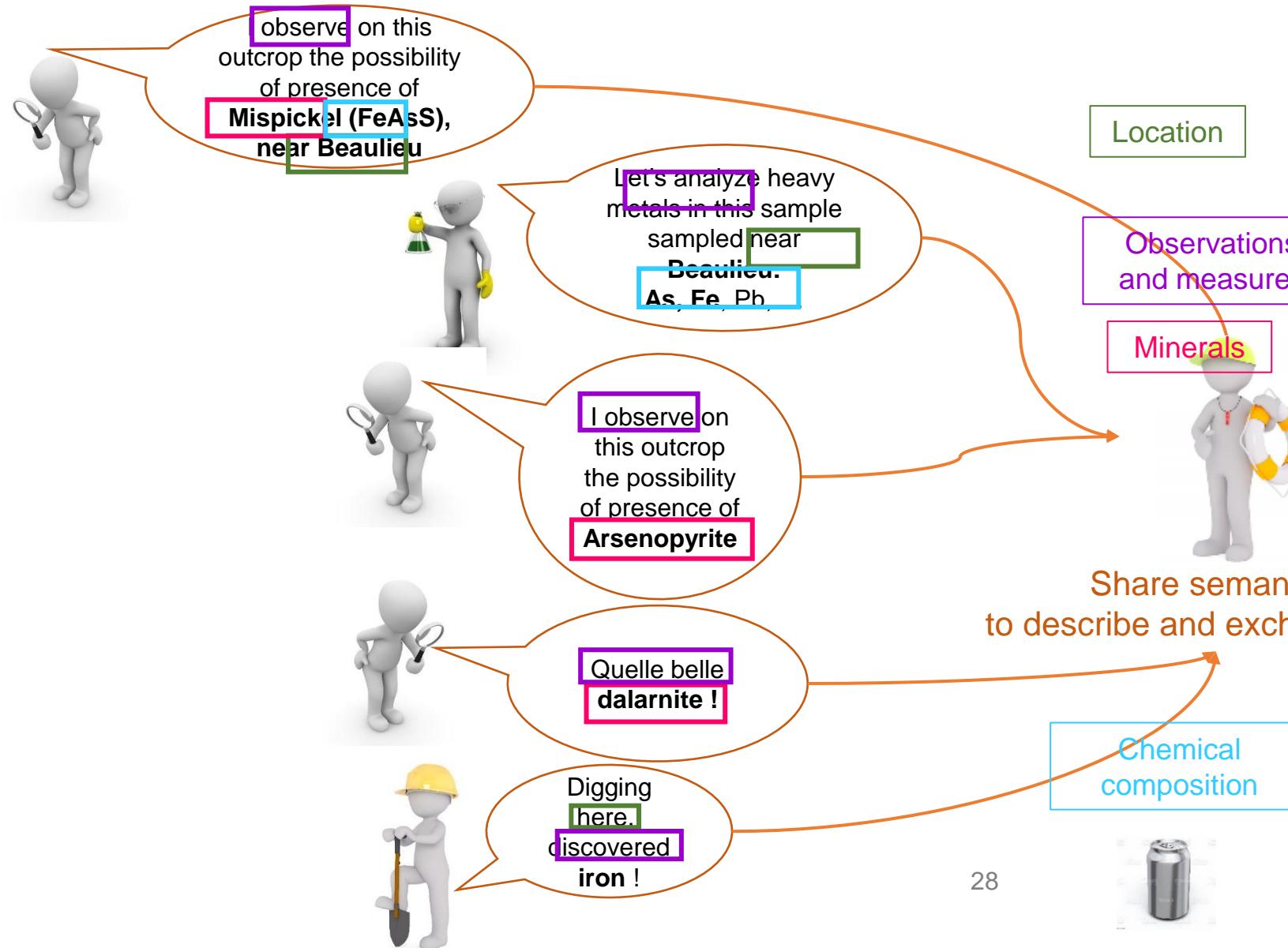
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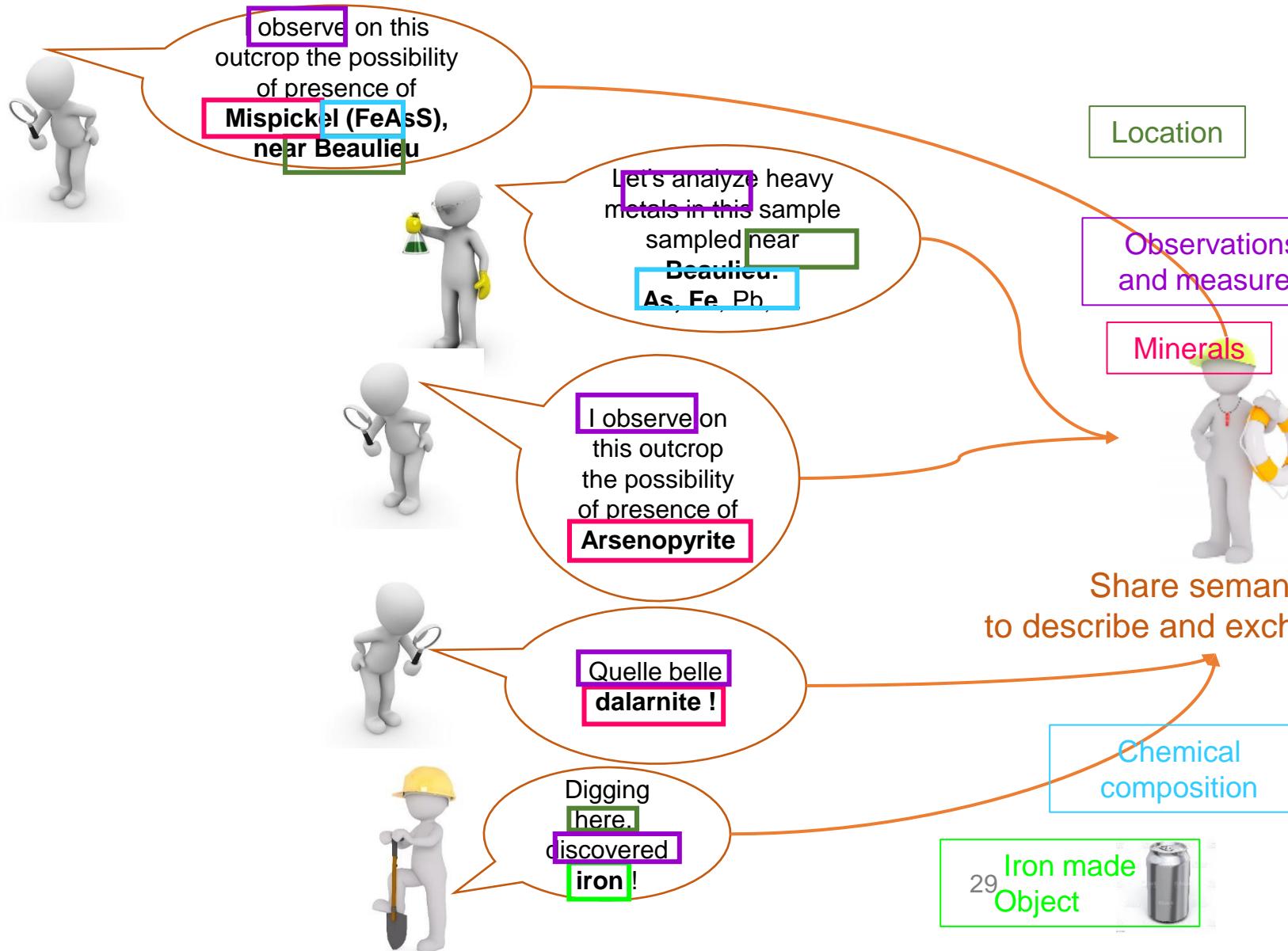
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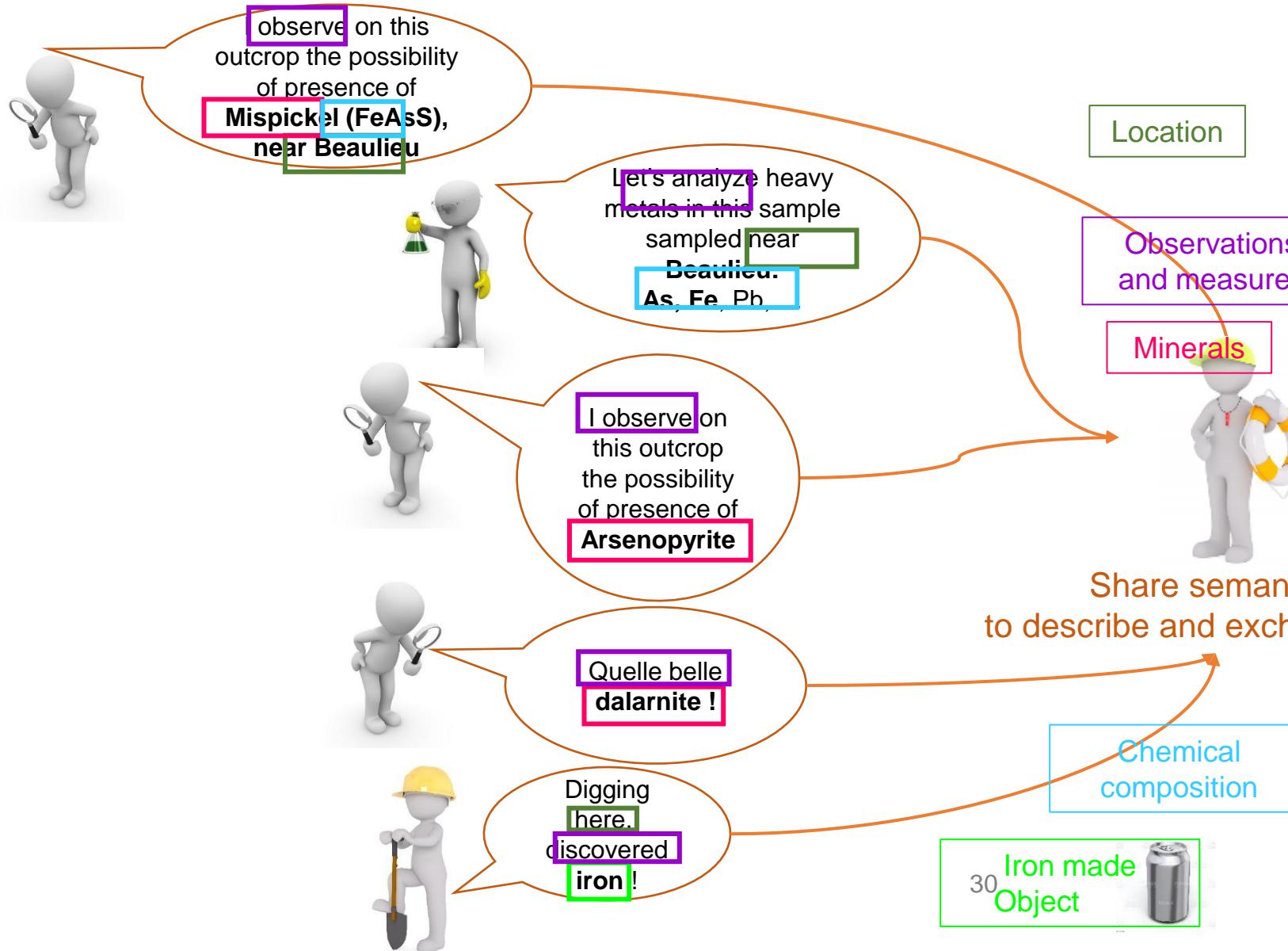
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Why do we need interoperability -> geoscience example



Why do we need interoperability -> geoscience environment



Share semantics
to describe and exchange data

Why do we need interoperability?



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Digging here, discovered iron!

31 Iron made Object

Location

Observations and measures

Minerals

Share semantics to describe and exchange data

Chemical composition

I observe on this outcrop the possibility of presence of <https://data.geoscience.fr/ncl/Minls/22> (FeAsS), near <http://id.insee.fr/geo/commune/15020>



Let's analyze heavy metals in this sample sampled on https://environment.data.gov.uk/catchment-planning/WaterBody/GB520704_201400, then, <https://data.geoscience.fr/ncl/ObservParSubs/3183>, <https://data.geoscience.fr/ncl/ObservParSubs/3177>, Pb, ...



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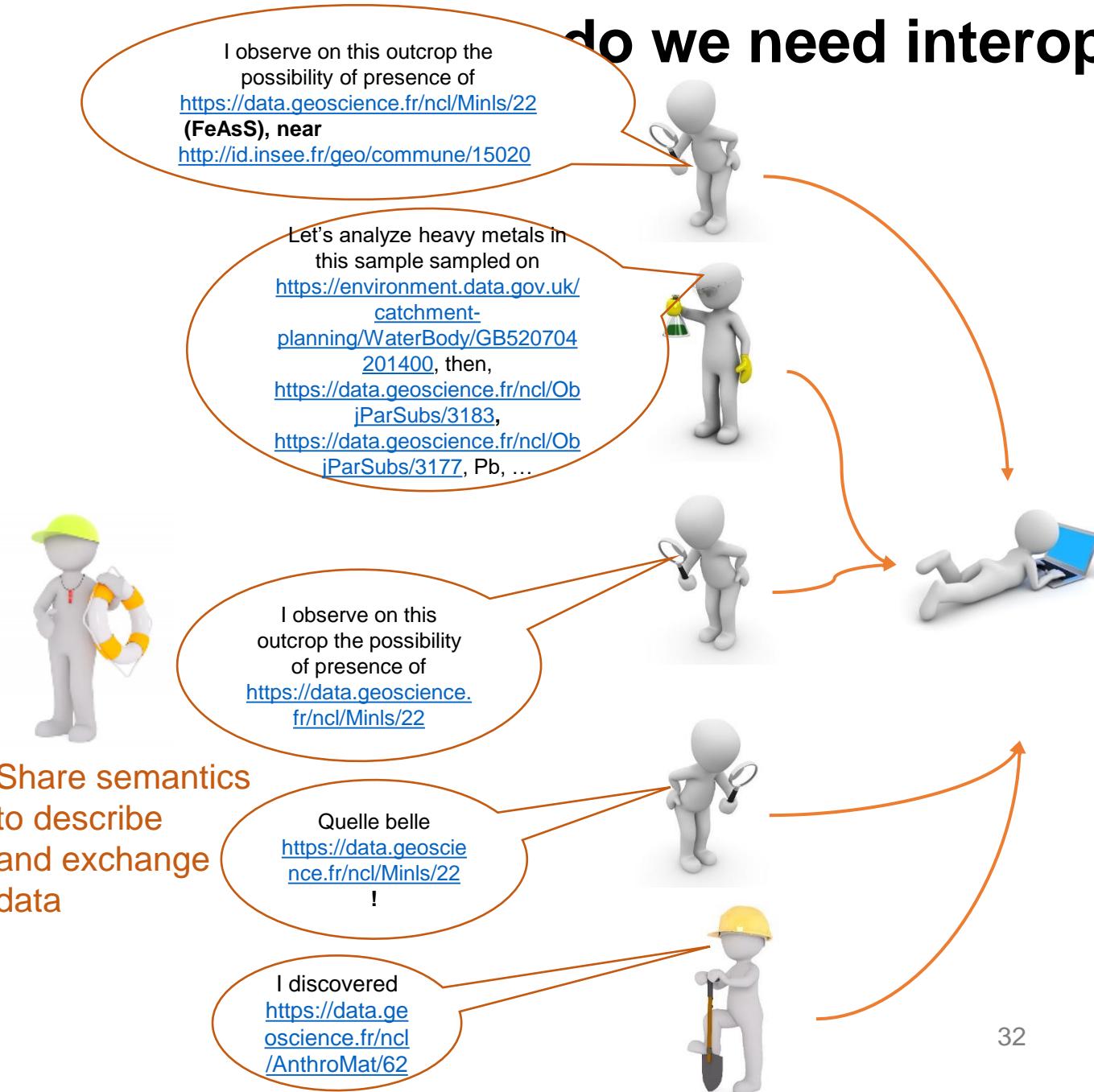
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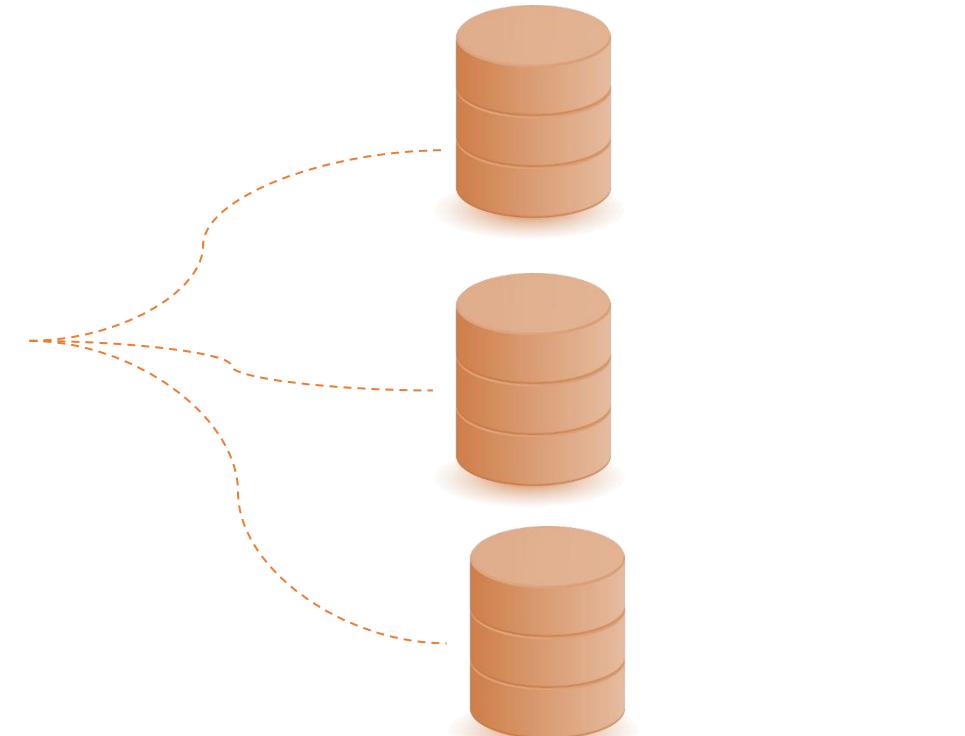
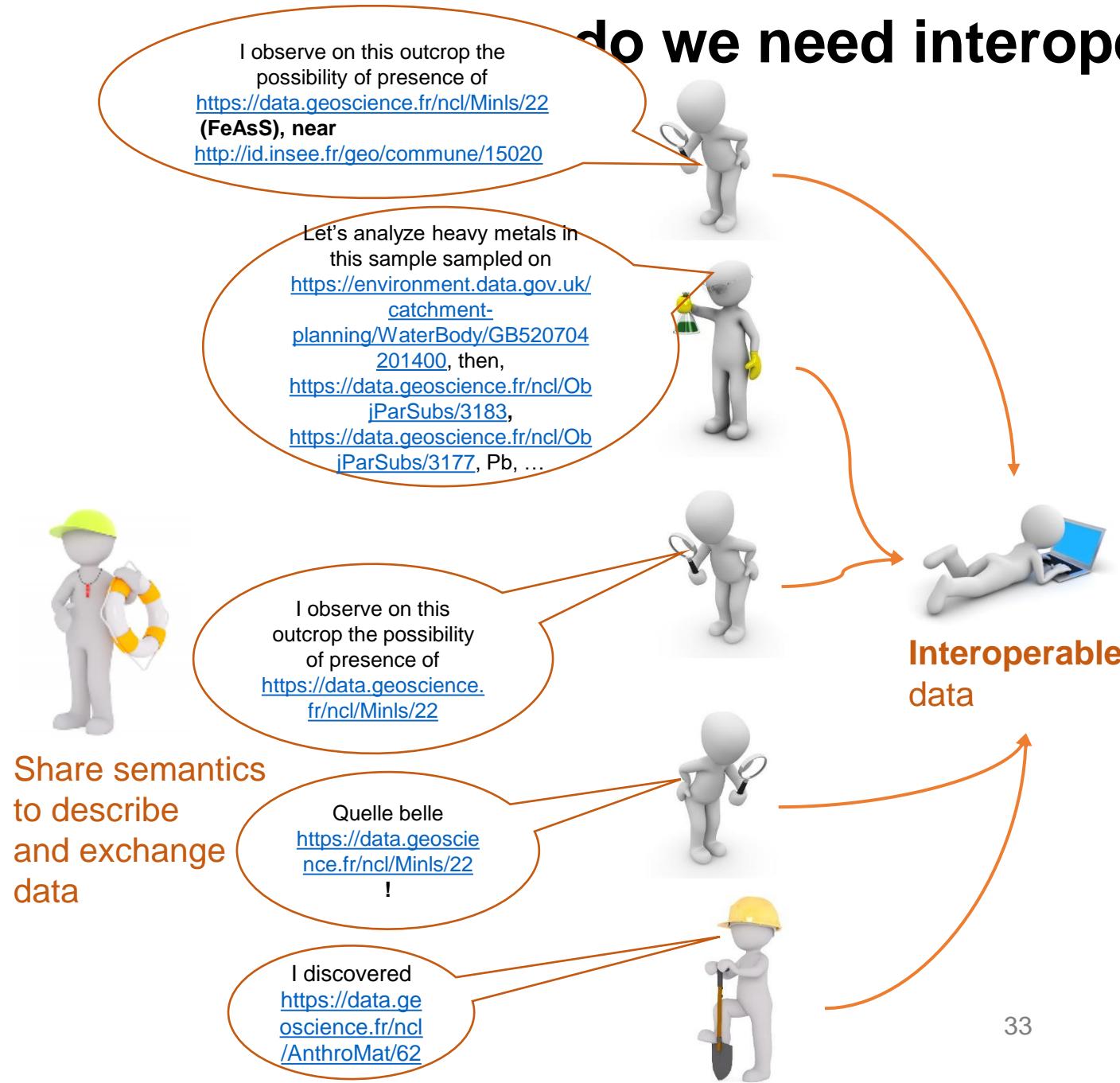
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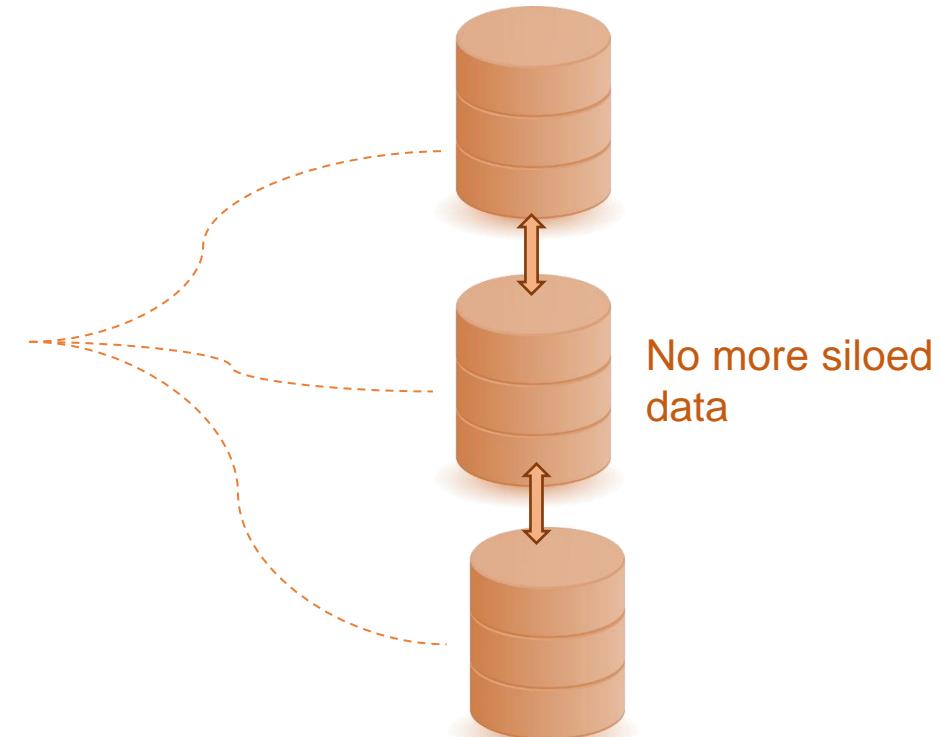
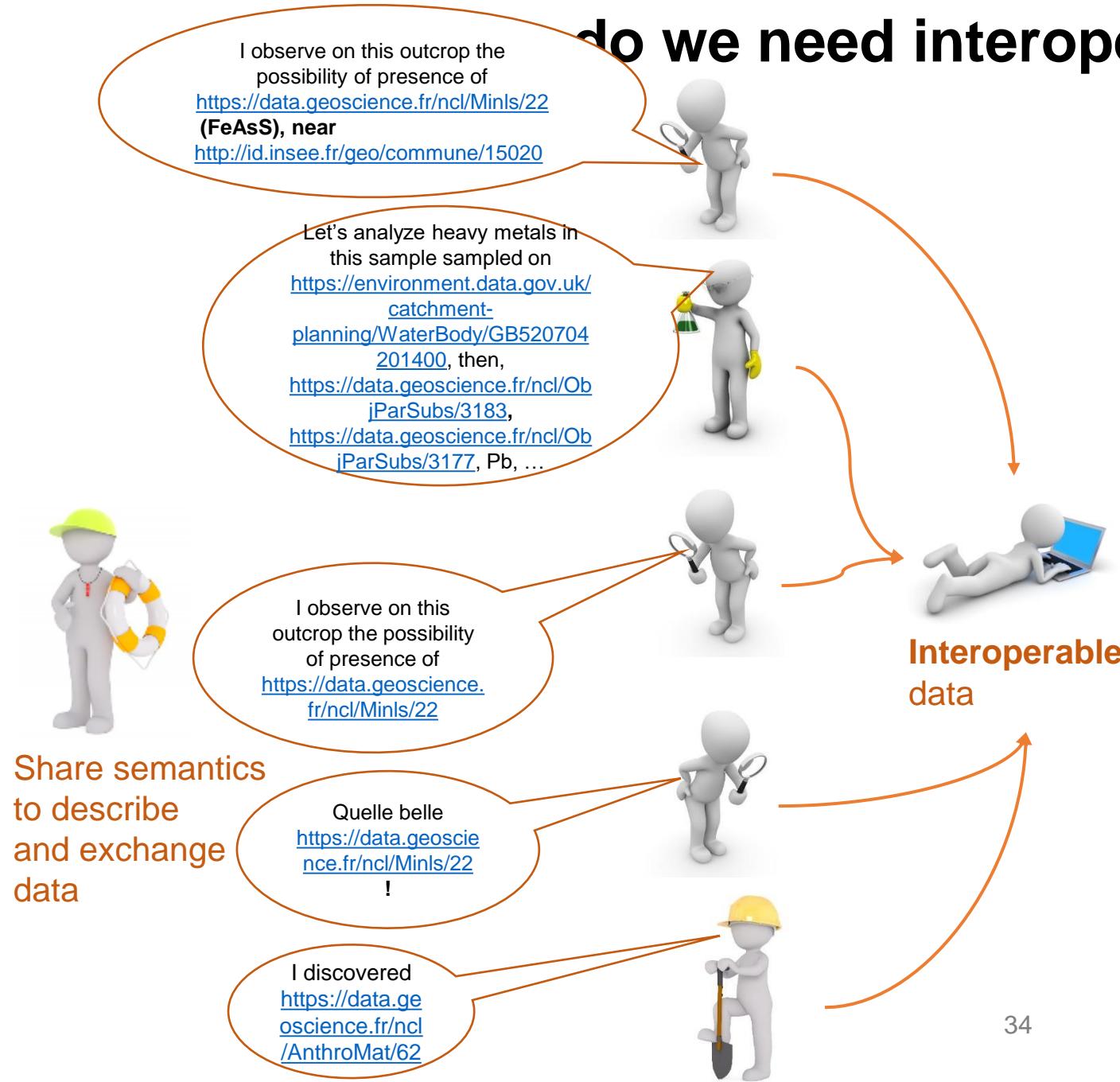
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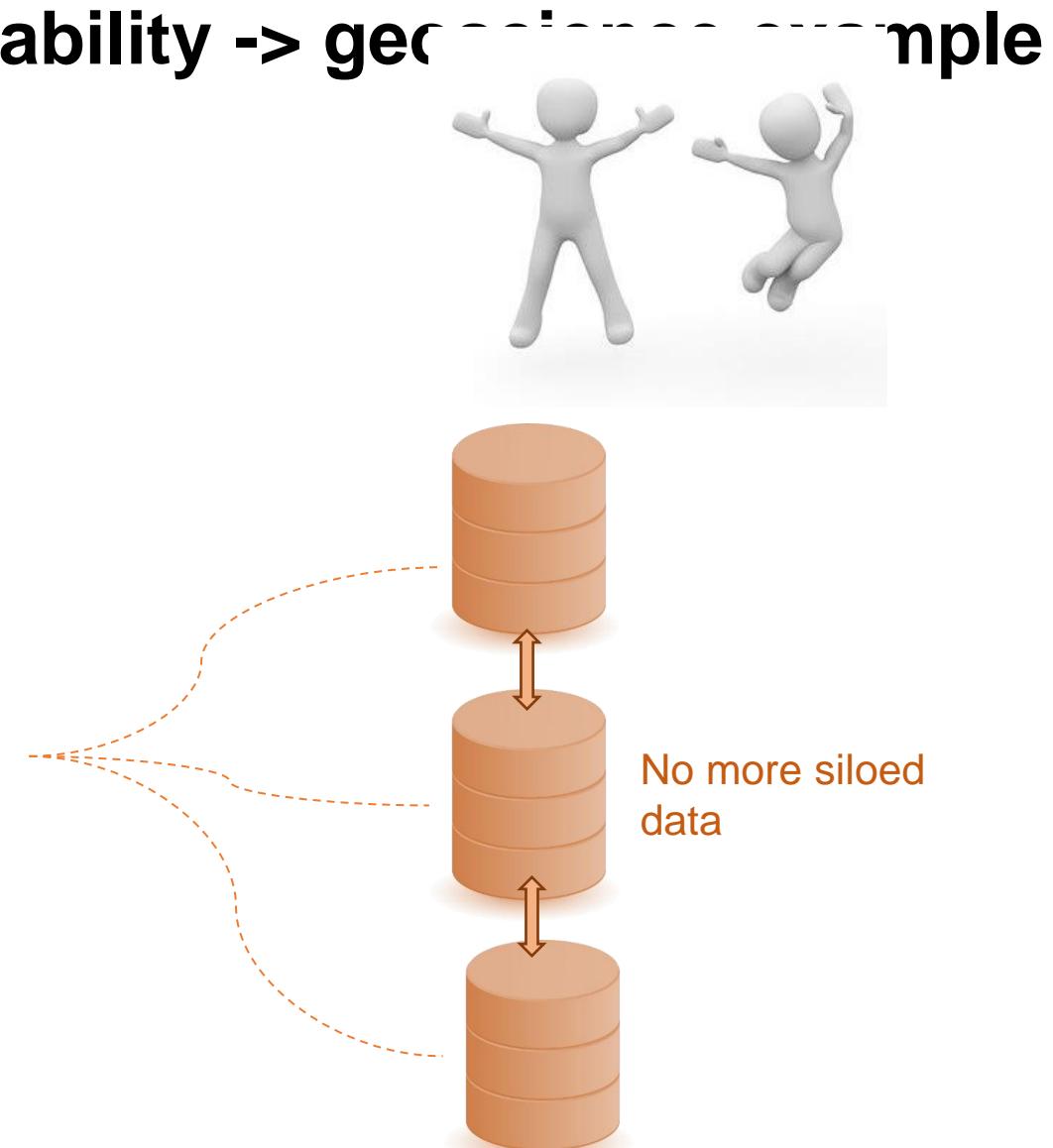
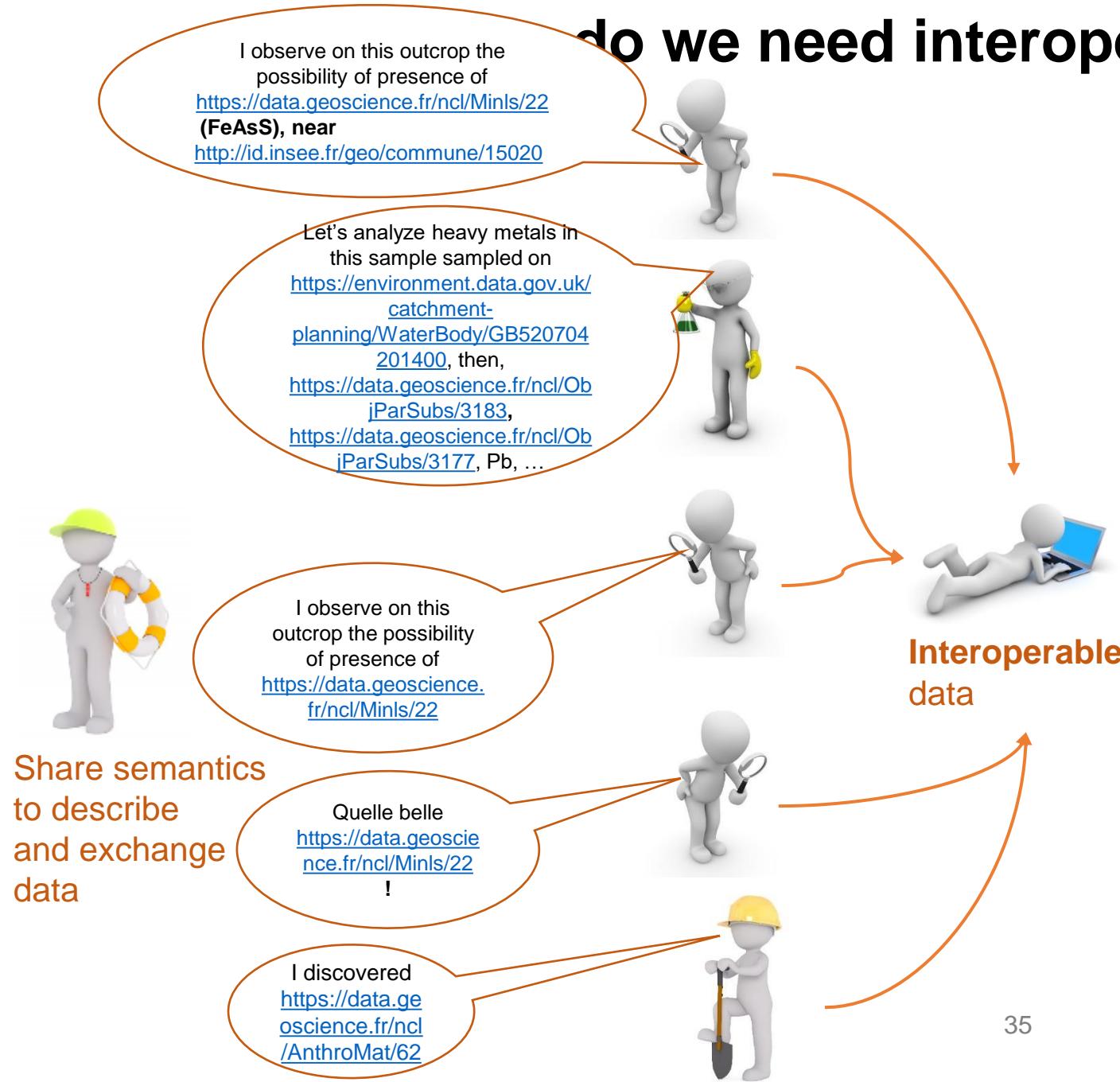
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do we need interoperability -> geo example



Why do we need interoperability -> space example

- Lead to the creation of OGC SWE – Sensor Web Enablement standards

Sensor Metadata!

WIR ED Nov. 10, 1999: Metric Math Mistake Muffed Mars Meteorology Mission

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Confusion leads to Mars failure



The Mars Climate Orbiter: Now in pieces on the planet's surface

The Mars Climate Orbiter Spacecraft was lost because one Nasa team used imperial units while another used metric units for a key spacecraft operation.

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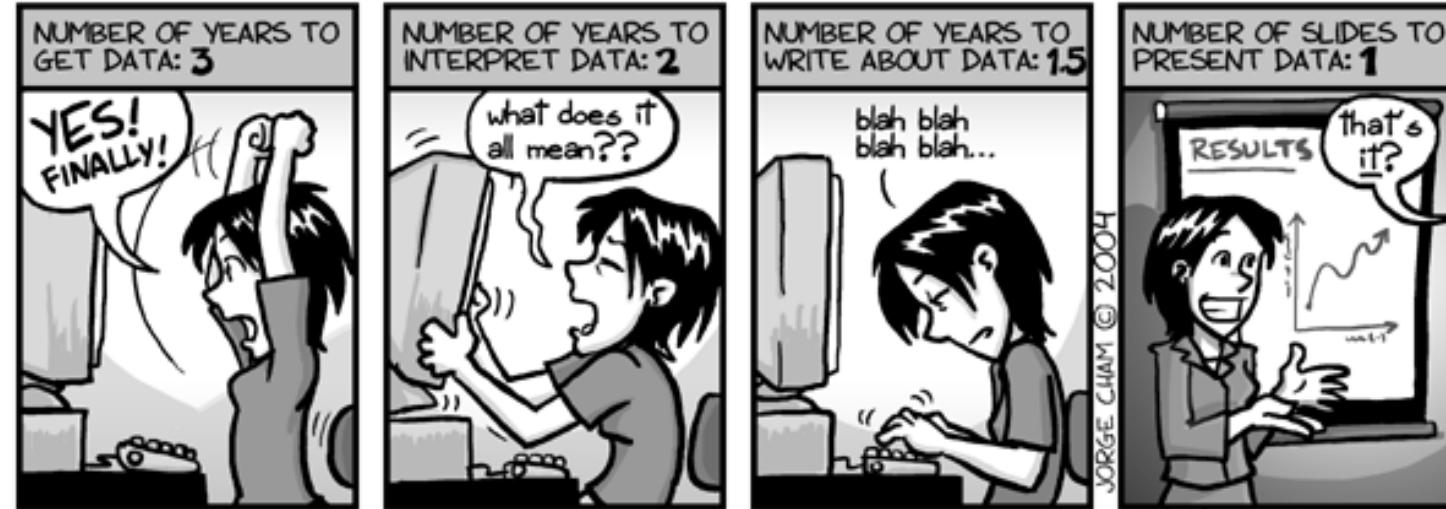
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Why do we need interoperability -> Research example



DATA: BY THE NUMBERS



Interoperability / FAIR data

for our domain colleagues do to their real work



Why do we need interoperability -> Research example

20 years after publication, 80% of scientific data is lost

— III. Données de la recherche : pourquoi les gérer ?

20 ans après publication, 80 % des données scientifiques sont perdues...

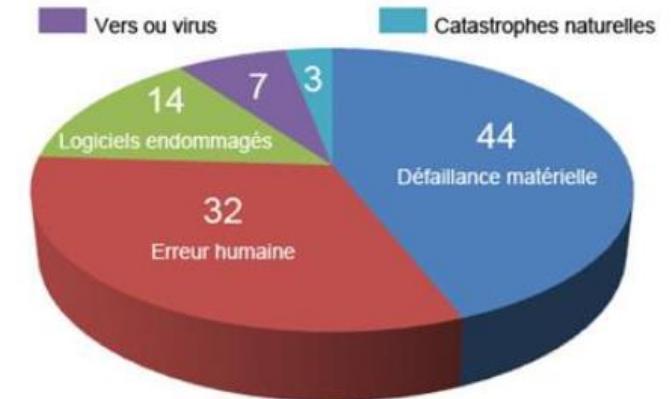
- Pour les auteurs
- Pour les équipes, organismes, institutions
- Pour la recherche mondiale

• **Causes :**

- Destruction des supports
- Problème de version, obsolescence matérielle ou logicielle
- Lieu de stockage indéfini

• **Conséquences :**

- Perte de temps, d'argent (fonds publics...)
- Pas de vérification des résultats possible
- Pas de comparaison des résultats dans le temps ou l'espace
- Pas de réutilisations (différentes)





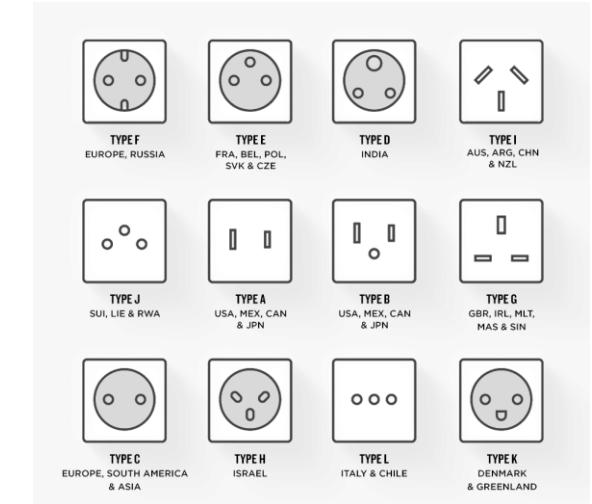
Why do we need interoperability

It's everywhere in our daily life

- Simple thing done everyday

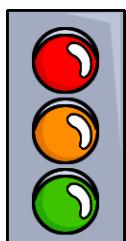


Simple because normalized, we can easily plug our kettle at home or at the office



Adaptors exist when need be

- Shared driving signs*

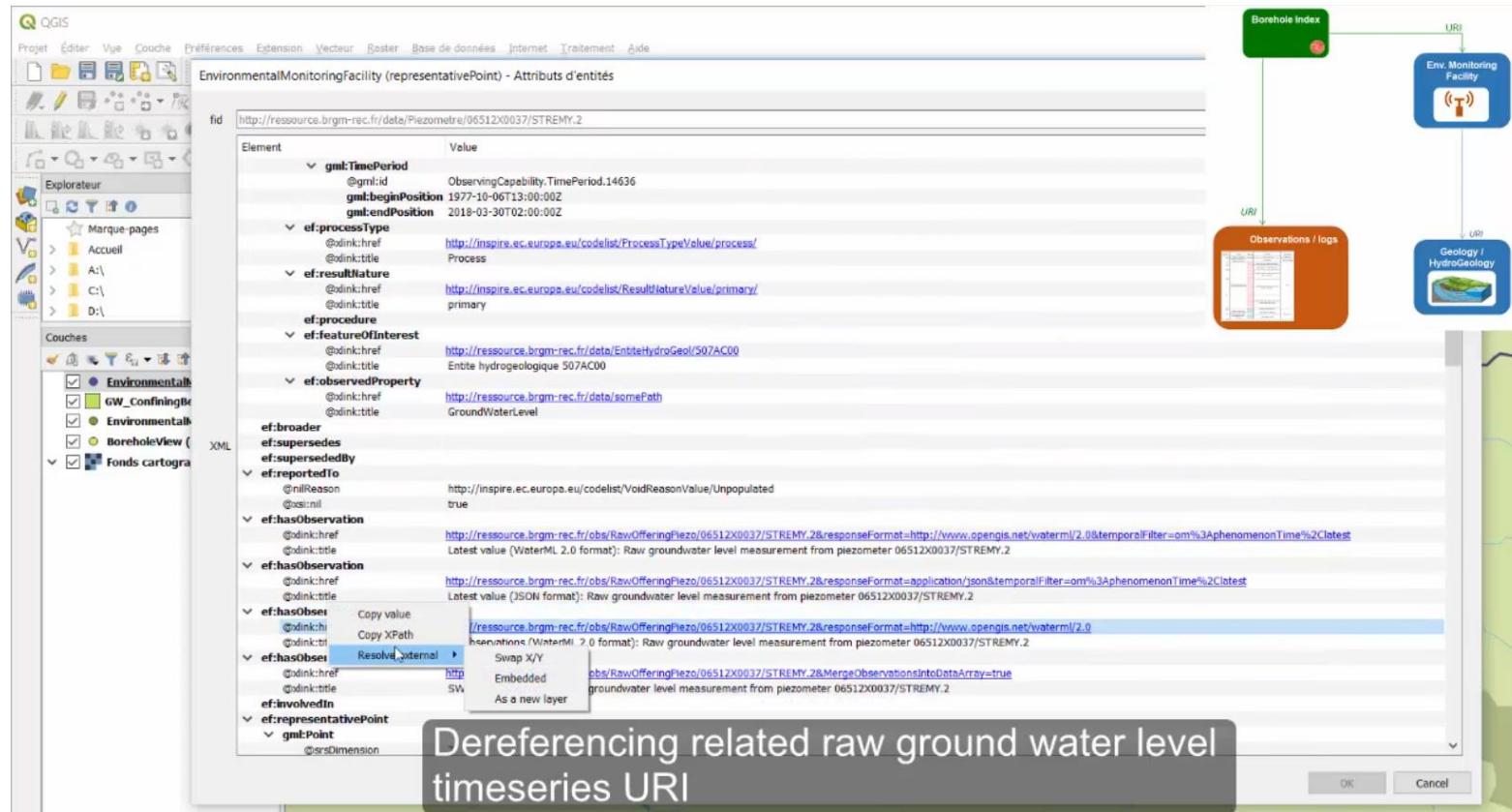


With local specificities

Dream goal

Let's see what we could do if everyone played the interoperability game

- QGIS



See :

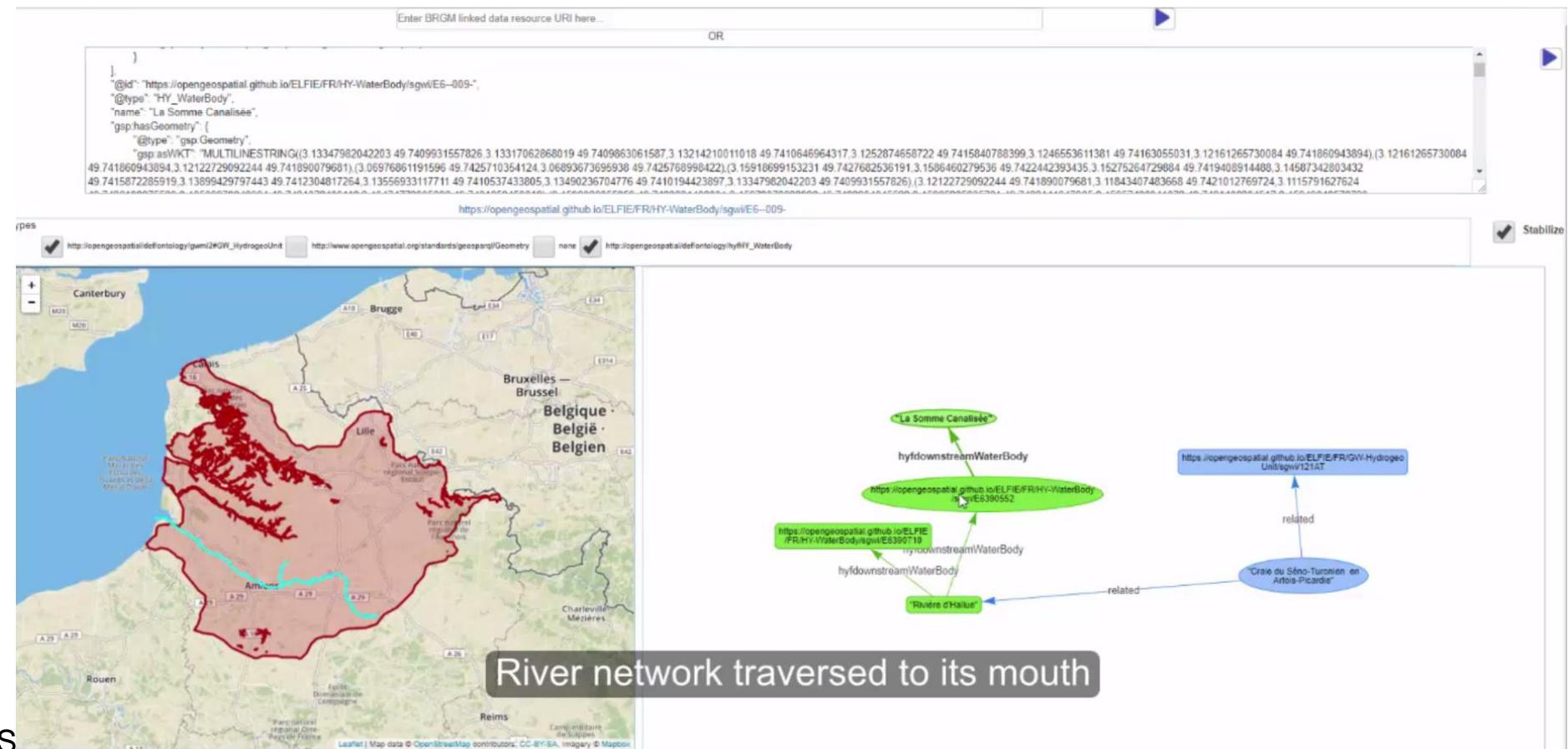
https://github.com/BRGM/gml_application_schema_toolbox/tree/master/docs/presentations/2018_INSPIRE_conference



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- Linked data aware web client



The screenshot shows a web-based interface for interacting with linked data resources. At the top, there is a search bar labeled "Enter BRGM linked data resource URI here..." and a button labeled "OR". Below the search bar is a large text area containing a JSON-LD document describing a "HY_WaterBody" named "La Somme Canalisée". The document includes properties like "gsp:hasGeometry" and "gsp:asWKT".

Below the JSON-LD is a map of the northern part of France, specifically the Somme and Oise river basins. The map shows the river network in red, with major cities like Lille, Amiens, and Rouen labeled. Labels in French, English, and Dutch are present for various locations.

On the right side of the interface, there is a graph visualization showing the relationships between different water bodies. Nodes include "La Somme Canalisée", "hydownstreamWaterBody", "https://opengeospatial.github.io/ELFIE/FR/HY-WaterBody/gwv/E6-009", "hydownstreamWaterBody", "Rivière d'Halles", and "Crête du Sénô-Turonien en Artois-Picardie". Relationships are indicated by arrows labeled "related". A blue box at the bottom of the map area contains the text "River network traversed to its mouth".

At the bottom left, there is a small "S" icon.

https://opengeospatial.github.io/ELFIE/demo/surface_groundwater_network_interaction



Interoperability

Benefits

- 2 folds aspects
 - Either we have legal constraints (Re INSPIRE and FAIR presentation)
 - But when no constraints exist, how to set up a Data Sharing culture?
- Creating the necessary organizational context to opening / sharing data is already quite an endeavor
 - So, when this point is reached, the technical aspects should be straightforward.



Interoperability

Context

- More and more external pressure on organisations
 - Climate change
 - Health crisis
 - Reduced (public) fundings

=> Organizations cannot afford to reinvent their own wheel locally when it comes down to sharing data

- Even more when we have 90% of the solutions at hand
 - Experience shows that it's not a matter of IT issues (those can always be fixed)
 - It's a matter of organizing communities & changing behaviours

=> Let's explore how to do so

With local specificities



Thank you

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