# Where is the library?

# ...or is it an archive?

Assessing the impact and implications of archaeological information collections

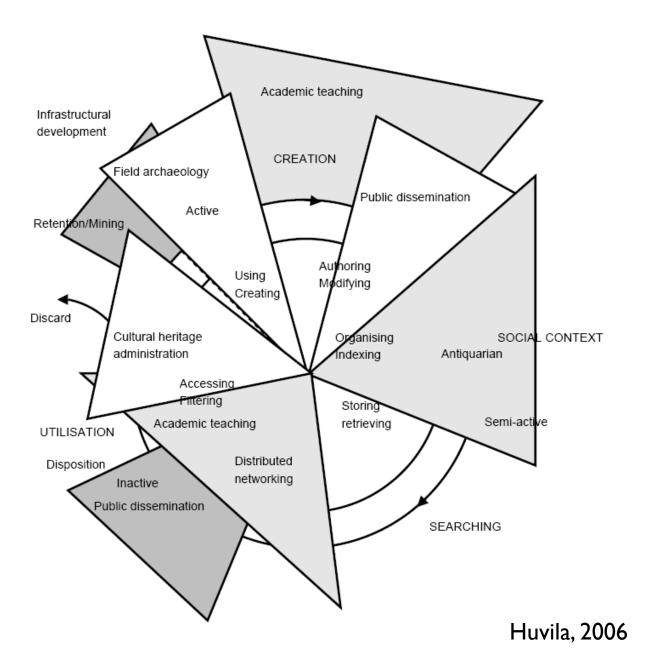
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## Evaluation?









### "It's kind of really important to preserve archaeology

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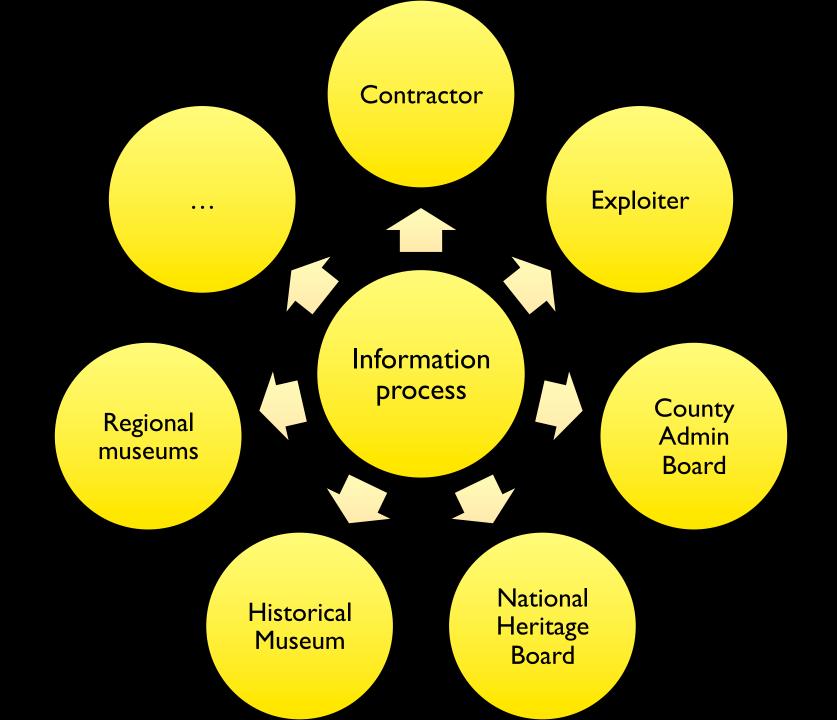
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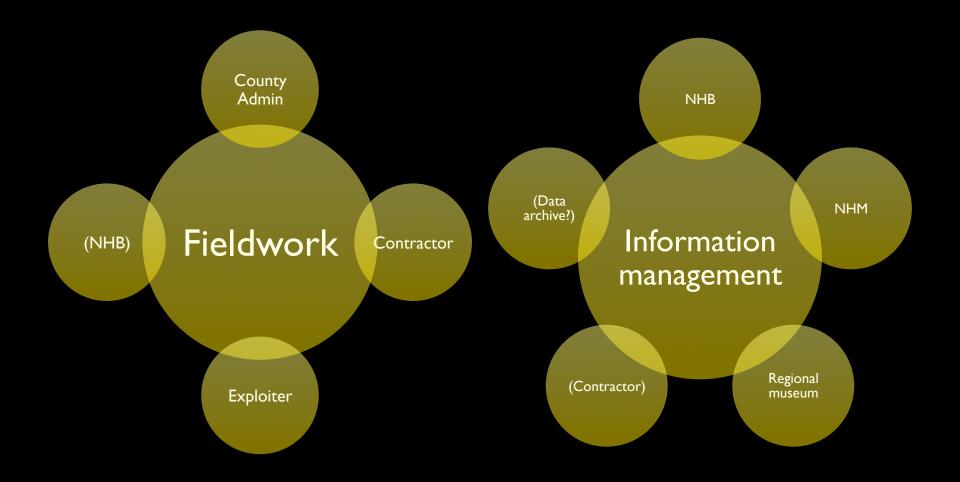
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#### **Empirical work**

- Interviews of 16 Swedish professionals with interest in "archiving archaeology"
- Conducted 10/2013-4/2014
- Selective sample, snowballing

How people are <u>conceptualising</u> their use of archaeological information?

### According to what they evaluate what they use?





#### Archaeology administrator

"It is very important that things are archived properly [..] We don't have the responsibility to archive things not belonging to the report.

## Information manager

"But just to make all data available, I see great value in it

#### Finds administrator

## "And we could work more like from museum perspective

#### Contractor

"We would like to clean as much server space as possible [and give digital raw data away]

#### Researcher

### "It is easier to understand if it is well-structured and so on

#### Data archivist

"It would be really nice if everyone would document their data in a way it should be done

## Archivist

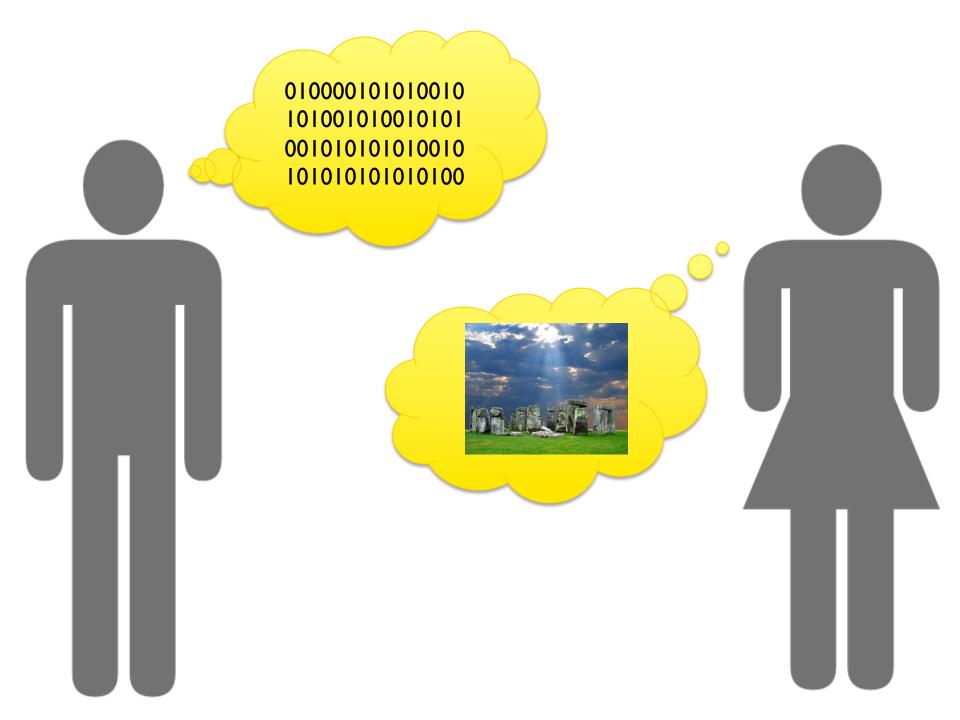


"The documentation material is just an appendix to the report











# Evaluate it as many things.

## Remember the idea of a supply-chains and customerships.









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BONUS: A conf in Info science and cultural heritage in Uppsala Jun 30 - Jul 2 2016 ...and write down that #colis2016 will be held in June in Uppsala!

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