

the project

semantic markup

idea

- identify a relevant text
 - interesting in the field/discipline, canonical
 - interesting to (non-academic) outsiders
- read, discuss & annotate the text
 - humanities people
 - cs people
 - other people
- use automatic/semi automatic tagging
- “sell the idea”, apply for third-party funding
- implement the product, generate further interest in the system (academic, commercial)

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BOOK FOUR

Of Systems of Political Economy

CHAPTER II

Of Restraints upon the Importation from Foreign Countries of such Goods as can be produced at Home

paragraph 9 of 45 paragraphs, page x in the printed edition y

desiderata: internal

- electronic file identical with critical edition (Liberty Fund, Glasgow University Press)
- navigation incl. incremental location information (book, chapter, subchapter, paragraph, page in print edition)
- index (normalized)
- kwic
- thesaurus
- annotated list of names, titles, places, dates

desiderata: internal

- cross-indexing, cross references (parallel passages)
- variants
- edition:
 - manuscript
 - revised editions (changes)
 - abridged modern versions (deletions)
- notes/comments/footnotes in original edition
- conversion data: weights, currencies, distances

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desiderata: linguistic

- explanatory comments: vocabulary
 - etymology
 - contemporary connotation
 - ideological/biased terminology (standing army)
- semantic fields of key concepts
 - self-interest, self-love, egoism, love, benevolence
- quotations expanded

desiderata: thematic

- key quotations
- key examples
- key concepts
- key theories
- key sources
- intertextual references

desiderata: context

- political
 - political system
 - kings, governments
 - political alliances, wars, trade, colonies
- social
 - education
 - gender relations
- cultural
 - philosophy of man
 - “refinement”
 - poetics (Royal Society)

economic background

- physiocrats
 - laissez-faire
 - free trade
 - focus on agriculture, medical imagery
 - Francois Quesnay, *Tableau économique* (1759)
- mercantilism
 - dominant school, since Elizabethan time)
 - wealth is money, governments should be protectionist
 - one gains, the other loses [zero-sum game]
 - James Steuart, *Principles of Political Economy* (1767)

desiderata: philosophy

- history of philosophy
- contemporary thought: national & international
- philosophy & economics
- national & international theories

desiderata: scholarship

- contemporary comments/responses
- modern criticism national/international/
multilingual
- criticism contextualized (Adam-Smith-
Problem)
- introductions, forewords to editions
- scholarly approaches to specific problems
 - map them on text (problematic passages)
 - interlink scholarship

desiderata: politics

- quotations from the text
 - in non-scholarly text
 - in political speeches
 - by politicians (Margaret Thatcher)
 - in think tanks (Adam-Smith-Institute)
- misrepresentations
- timeline (vis-à-vis economic crises) of references

Adam Smith, 1723-90

- 1723 Kirkcaldy, Fife, Scotland, only child
- 1736 University of Glasgow, moral philosophy (Prof. Francis Hutcheson)
- 1740 stipend (Oxford)
 - punished for reading David Hume (1711-1776), *Treatise on Human Nature*, 1739
 - dissatisfaction with university system

Adam Smith

- 1750 meets David Hume, life-long friend
- 1751 chair at Glasgow Moral Philosophy
- 1754 founder of Select Society (gentlemen's club)
- 1759 *Theory of Moral Sentiments*
 - sympathy
 - impartial observer
- 1764 Grand Tour with Duke of Buccleuch, 300 Pound pension (France: Voltaire, Benjamin Franklin, Francois Quesnay)

Adam Smith

- 1766 back to Kirkaldy, then London
- 1773 Member of Royal Society
- 1776 *Wealth of Nations*
 - division of labour
 - invisible hand
 - self-interest
- 1784 mother dies
- 1787 Lord Rector University Glasgow
- 1790 death

The Wealth of Nations

- *An Inquiry Into the Nature and Causes of the Wealth of Nations, 1776*
- 6 editions during his lifetime
 - subtle changes (colonies/America)
- 3rd edition expanded
- price (contextualized)
- modern editions (number, prices, etc)

literature

- Thomas Hobbes (1588-1679) *Leviathan* (“social contract”, man is man’s wolf, 1651)
- John Locke (1632-1704) *Two Treatises of Government* (tolerance, liberal social contract 1690)
- Bernard Mandeville (1670-1733) *The Fable of the Bees* (private vices, publick benefits, 1705)
- Shaftesbury (3rd Earl of Shaftesbury, 1671–1713) *Characteristics of Men, Manners, Opinions, Times* (benevolence, 1711)
- *The Spectator* (1711ff, Joseph Addison, Richard Steele)
- Daniel Defoe (1659-1731) *Robinson Crusoe* (1719), *Moll Flanders* (1722), *Plan of the English Commerce* (1728)
- Jonathan Swift (1667-1745), *Gulliver’s Travels* (1726)
- John Gay (1685-1732), *Beggar’s Opera* (1728)
- Alexander Pope (1688-1744) *Essay on Man* (1732)
- George Lillo (1693-1739), *The London Merchant* (1731)
- David Hume (1711-1776), *Treatise on Human Nature* (1739), *Enquiry Concerning the Principles of Morals* (1748, most popular)
- Eliza Haywood (1693-1756), *The History of Miss Betsy Thoughtless* (1751)
- Oliver Goldsmith (1730-1774), *The Vicar of Wakefield* (1766), *She Stoops to Conquer* (1771)
- Laurence Sterne (1713-1768), *Sentimental Journey* (1768), *Tristram Shandy* (1767)

flexibility

- incremental markup
- multi-user authoring system
- non-binary data file (ASCII)
- TEI conform
- version control
- specialized output formats (for specific purposes, i.e. editions, scholarly monographs)
- not platform-specific
- meta-comment on system-improvement by users

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modern economics

other authors

Smith's biography