



The Seminars on "Information Technology Outlook" – PhD Programme in Computer Science and Mathematics



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## Information Visualization and Analytical Provenance: the missing gap

**Summary:** Interactive visualization techniques are suitable tools for helping users to explore complex data while gaining confidence in results provided by algorithms. Typically, in an exploratory context, the user has no defined goal and is looking for no particular outcome. Though, when finding something interesting, users should be able to retrace their exploratory path to explain how they found the results. In this seminar we will present a brief introduction of Information Visualization and missing gaps between visualization and analytical provenance. Through some illustrative case studies, we will discuss the importance of analytical provenance in information visualization techniques to support a better communication among domain experts, stakeholders, and users.

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