

# Charting the Automation Odyssey

From Excel to KNIME and Beyond





Disney  
**PIRATES** of the  **CARIBBEAN**  
ON STRANGER TIDES

IN THEATERS 5.20.11

Do you like pirates?





# Our Journey Ahead



Initial exploration

Expanding influence

Challenges & Focus

Recognition & Dragons

Full-time Digitization

Community & Recognition

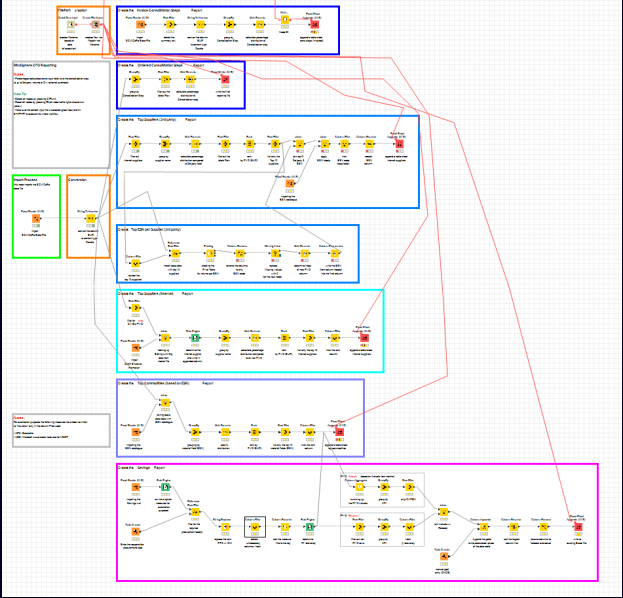
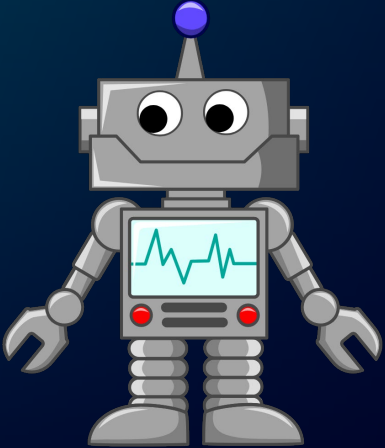
Ongoing journey



# Initial Exploration – or how to become a good pirate



2018



3 hrs



10 mins

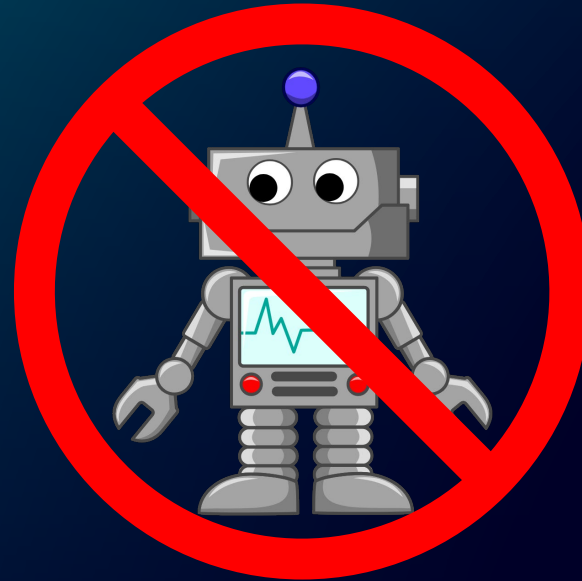
# Expanding influence – or how to find treasures



# Challenges & Focus – which course to chart?



2020



# Recognition & Dragons – how nerdiness pays off



2021

Hello my fellow KNIMERs,

**Disclaimer**  
 I know that this forum is about to help solving problems with KNIME, so if the mods think, this does not belong here, please let me know.

I just recently learned so lot by combining KNIME with one of my hobbies, that I though I share this with you.



Can you imagine a fantastic world with wizards, dwarves, elves and humans working on heroic quests? I can and I want to share with you how KNIME has helped me to be more creative.

I think this is a somewhat unusual use case of KNIME and I am writing this post to motivate you to share **YOUR craziest workflows** (or ideas about crazy workflows) as a response to this post.

**Warning: This is a lengthy post.**

I will explain some of the background for those unfamiliar with it but I promise - this is connected (heavily) with the use of KNIME.

*Alright then, my fellow KNIMERs, take a seat, have a sip from your beer... The fire in the fireplace is burning? Are you comfortable? Good... Let me start...*

 **Once upon a time...** 


I have a hobby, that some may consider "nerdy", and this is **role playing games** (or rpg for short).

**What is a role playing game (rpg)?**

In essence, rpgs work like an *interactive novel* where you take over the role of one of the characters. You interact with the story and your actions have influence on how the story goes along the way?

For example: will you kill the villain to free the princess or do you bribe him with gold? You decide along the way?

Just imagine being Harry Potter in the series of the same name, or Frodo in the series of the Ring, or Luke in Star Wars... or ... ah, I think you get the point 😊



Let me explain:

A few months ago I wrote a **forum post** about how I combined two passions. KNIME and roleplaying (dragons, knights, swords - not the \*\*\*\* stuff). In this post, you're going to discover how to take this idea a step further.

But here comes the usual **disclaimer**. This is - once again - a little bit a longer post. So I tried to provide structure with headings (for all the people who skim read).

**Where do we come from?**

If you remember, last time we talked about random tables and how to create "settings" with the help of KNIME. These days, real life meetings with friends to sit around a table and play games are still not possible.

But to turn a bad thing (lockdown) into something good, this also means the following. The situation helps to find people who would be willing to play online. But how do you get people together, when you need maps, dice, tokens of your heroes and so on?

Digitalization (for short).

on paper. Rule books, character sheets (where you write down your stats and cannot do) and dice. Lots of dice. Like this






# Full time digitization – pirating no longer a ,hobby‘





# Community Building – how not to sail alone



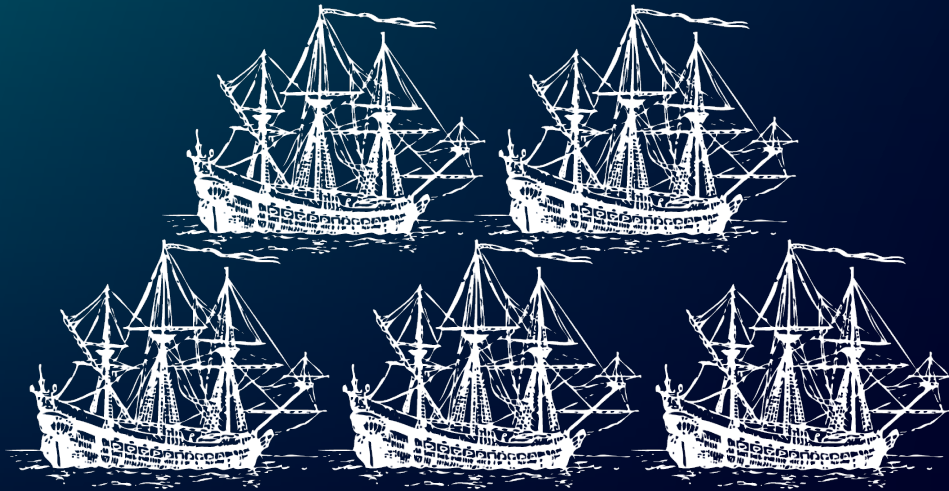
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# Our ongoing journey



today



# Conclusion



**Continue Learning**



**Transformative  
Power**



**Discovery in  
our data**



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