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Research projet
(2017-2020)



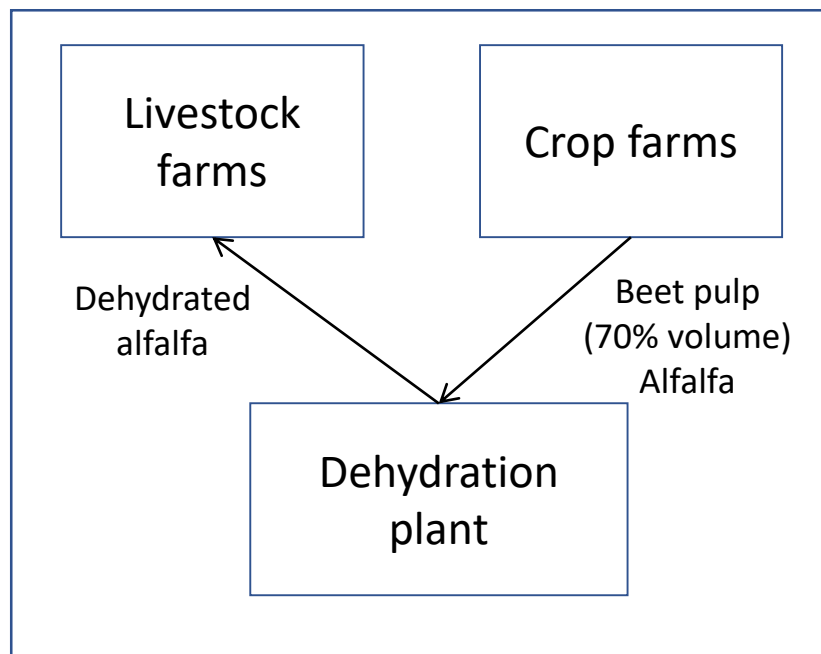
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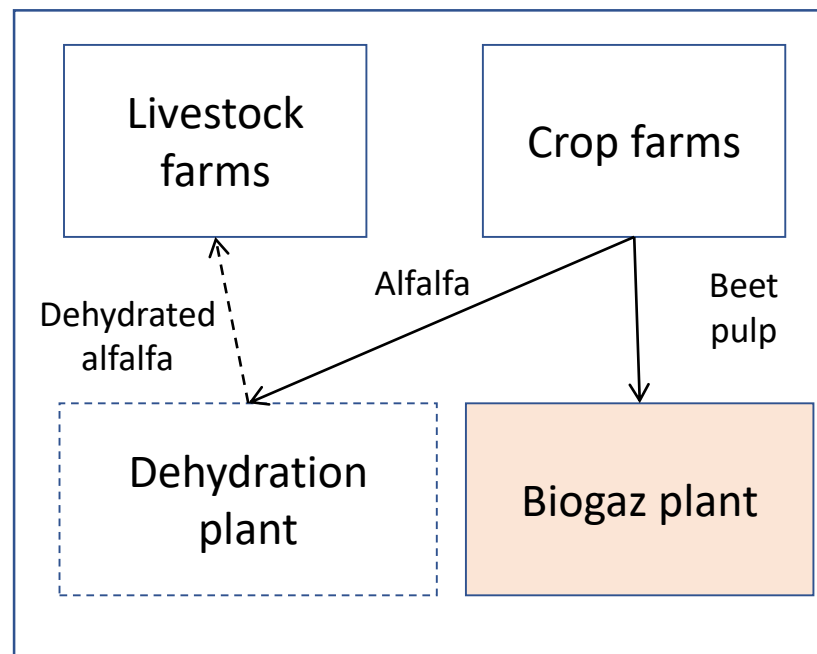
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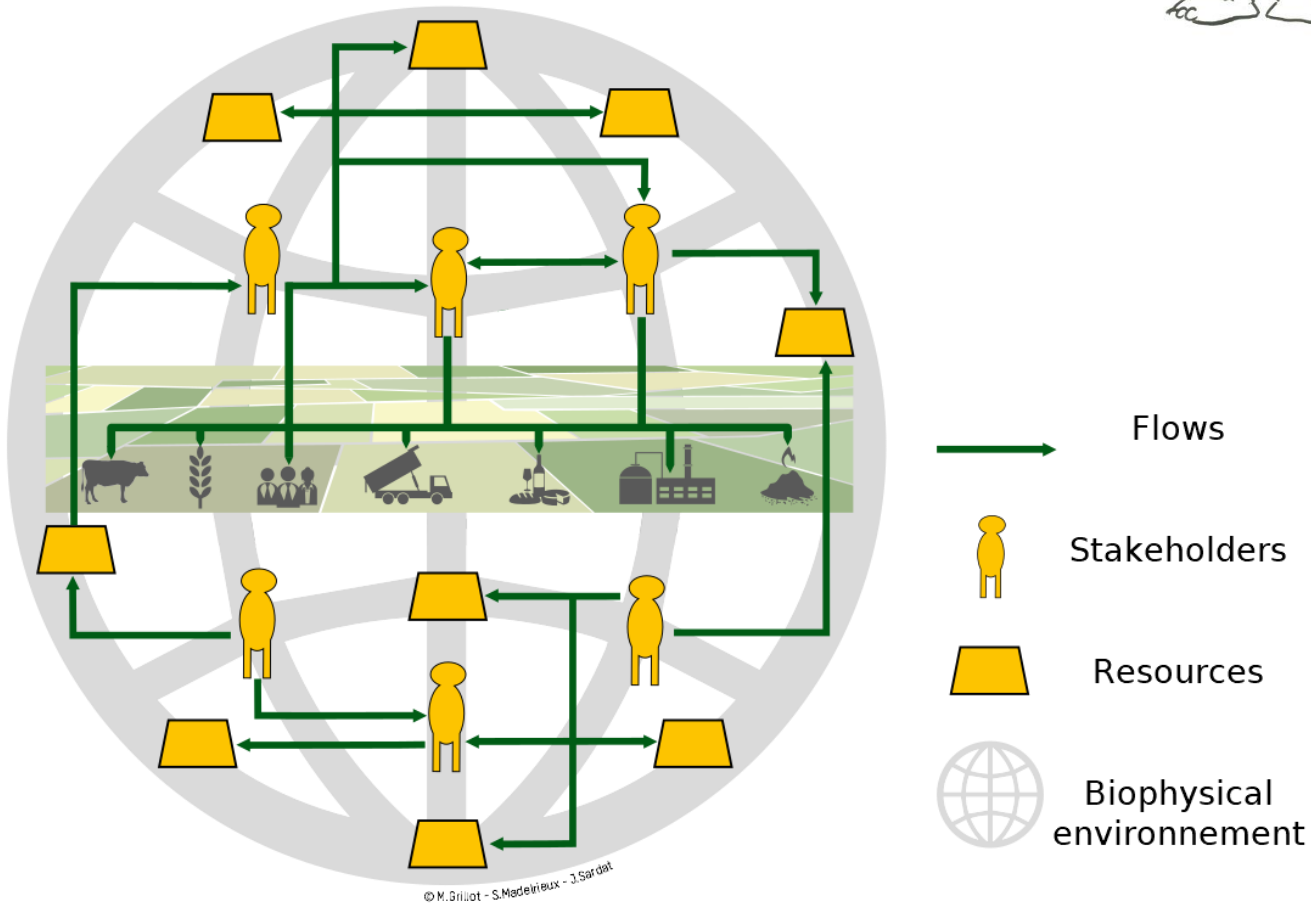
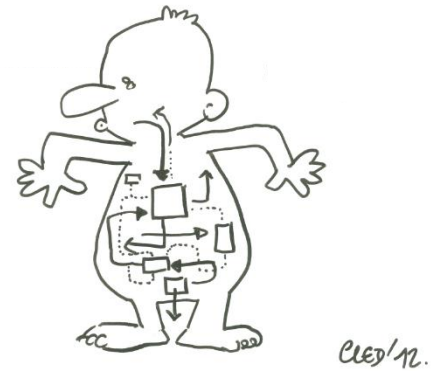
How can we identify trade-offs and synergies between agri-chains?

⇒ How are biomass of agricultural origin managed and used?



➤ Metabolic approach

- Quantify resources/production and flows
- Identify stakeholders



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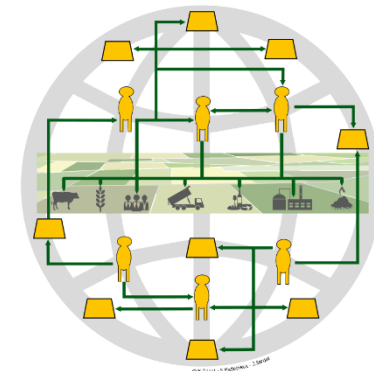


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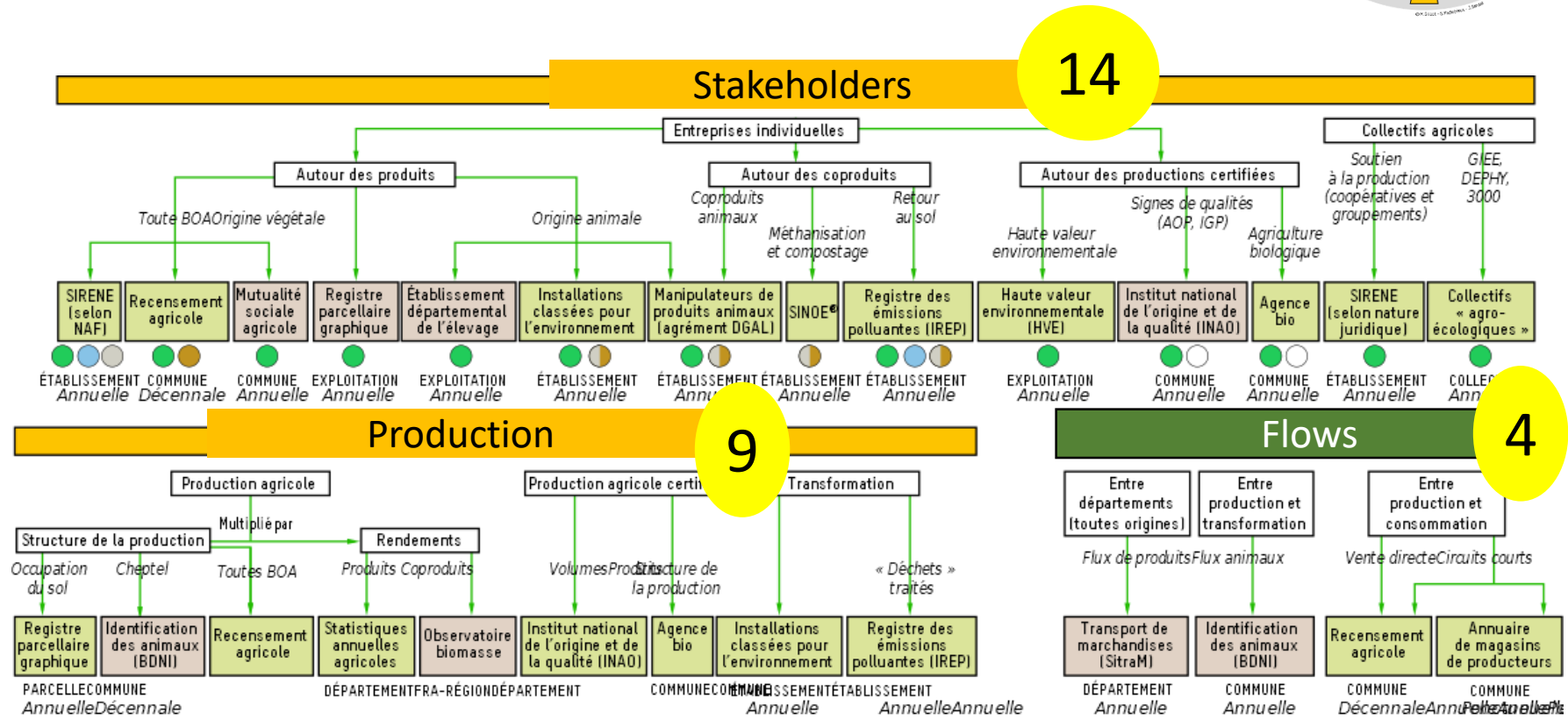
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More on socio metabolic research: Haberl et al. 2019

Step 1: use existing data bases



- Open-access
- Restricted access



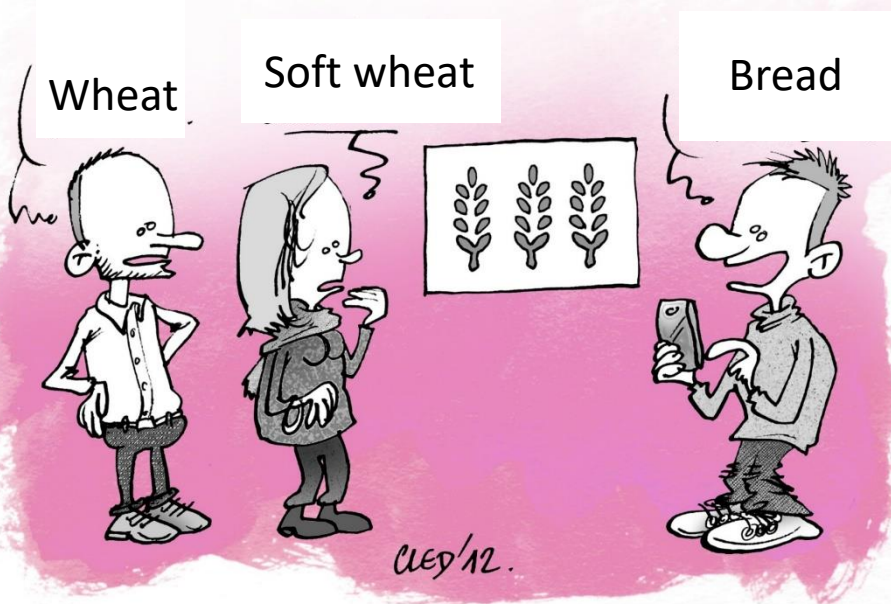
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➤ Step 1: use existing data bases facing...

Various nomenclatures / units, etc.

Data availability, statistical and professional confidentiality



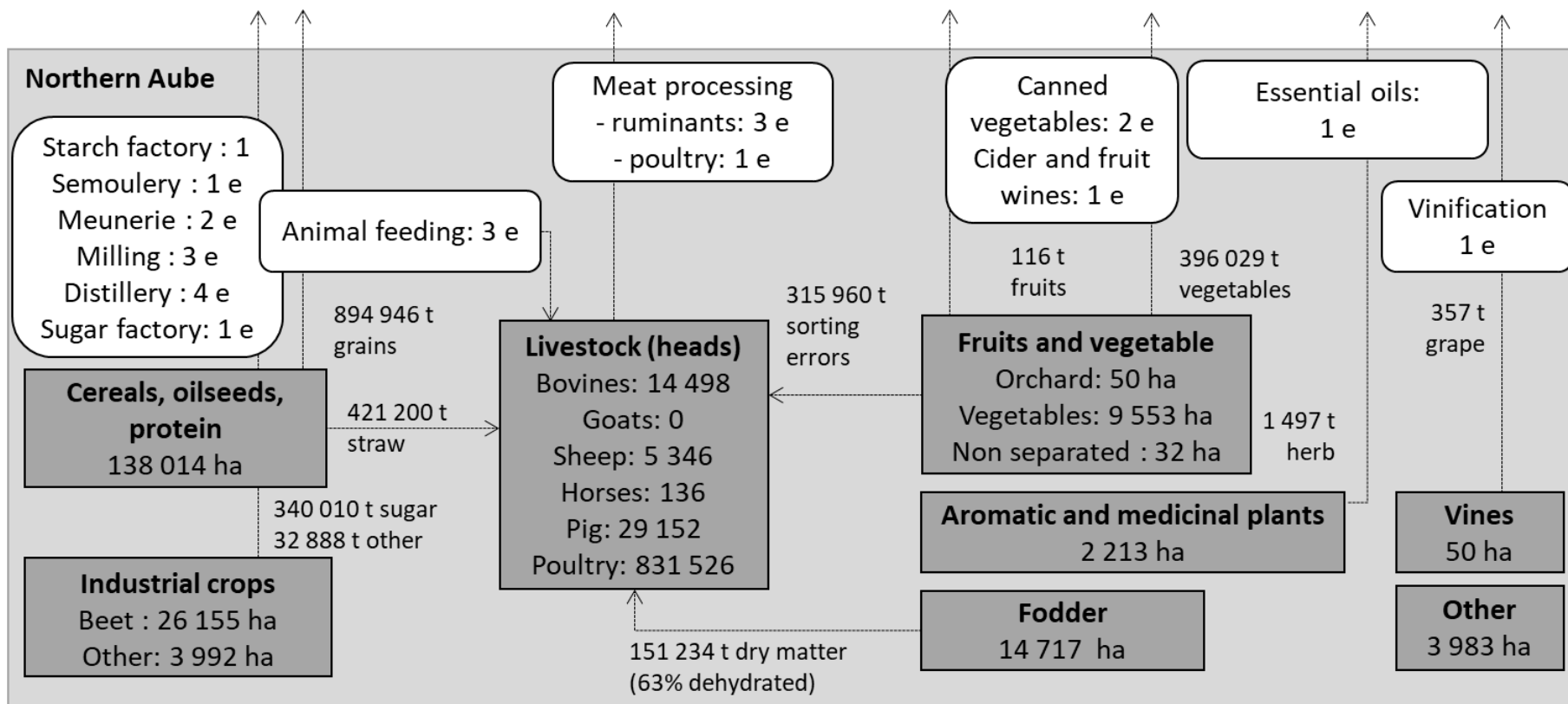
How many eggs do you lay per month?

Professionnal secrecy!



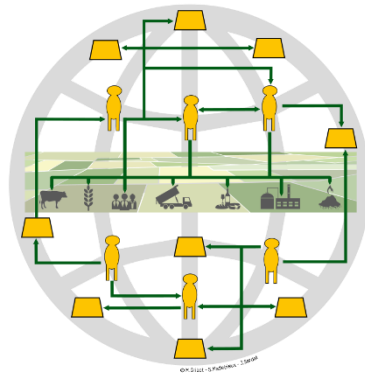
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Make hypotheses through « a proto-metabolism »

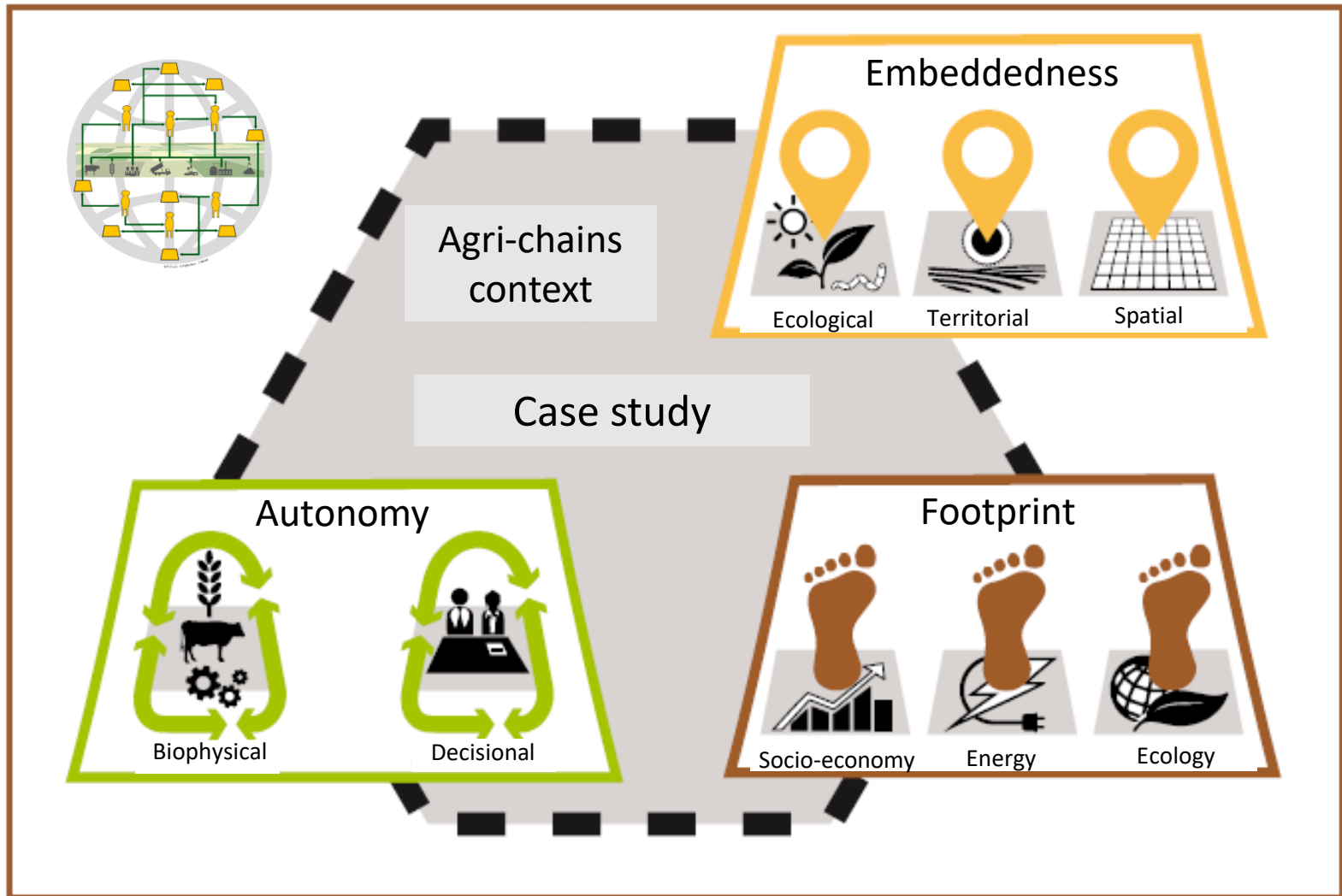


➤ Step 2: field interviews

Consolidate the knowledge on agri-chains metabolism
Semi structured interviews with a large set of stakeholders
To obtain a « consolidated » metabolism



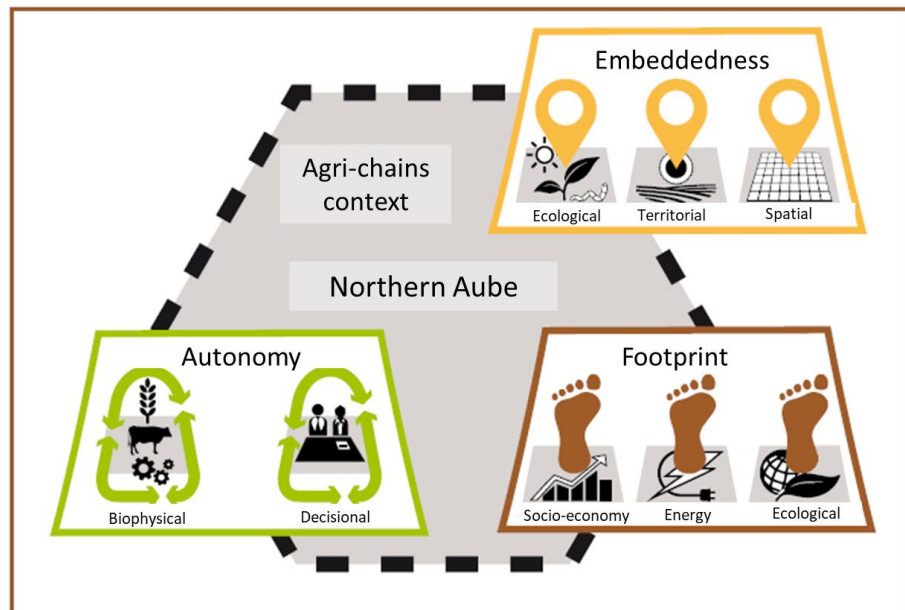
➤ Grid of analysis to evaluate agri-chain metabolism



➤ Ex. Northern Aube



UAA (2020)	176 512 ha
Farms (2010)	1 434 farms



Mostly crop production

5 over 10 signs of quality and origin dedicated to livestock productions

Few organic farms

53% of fodder areas dedicated to dehydration (mainly alfalfa)

High imports of fertilizers (organic and synthetic)

High exports of barley and beet semi-processed

Livestock products processed outside of the territory

De-centralized headquarters

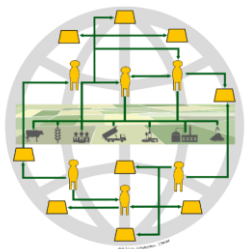
High levels of nitrate in the environment
+500% agricultural enterprises producing electricity since 2018

Increase in jobs in agricultural supply sector



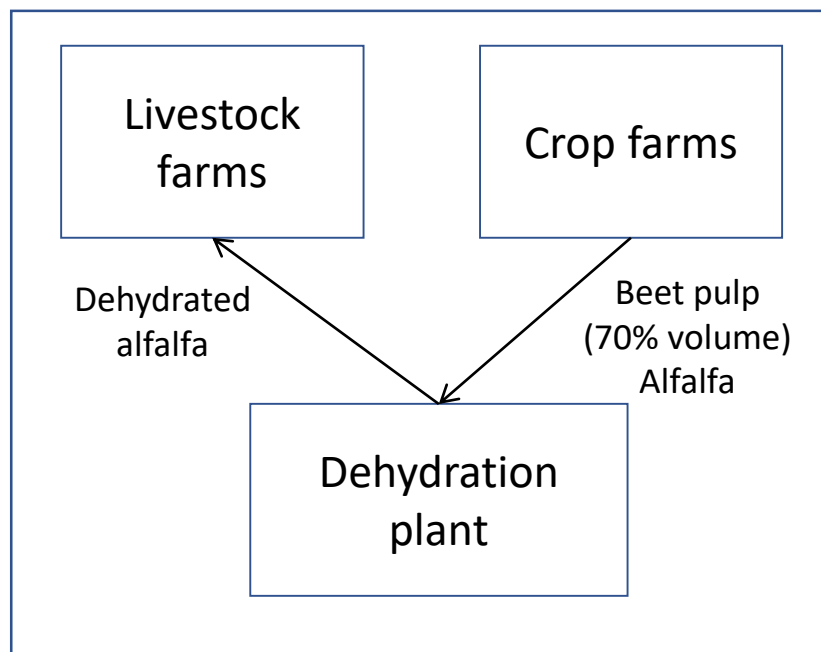
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➤ And... trade-off and synergies between agri-chains

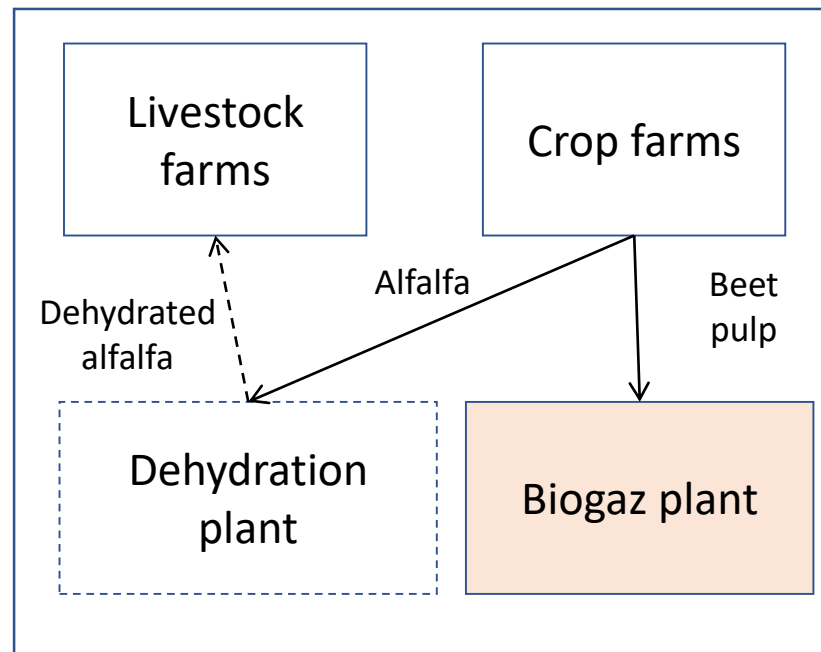


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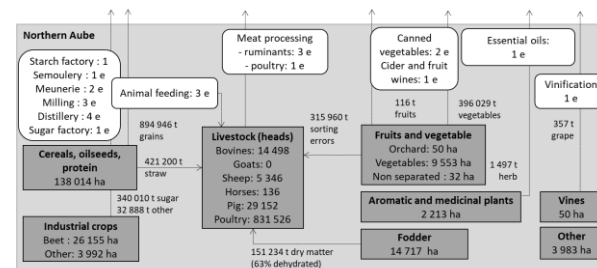
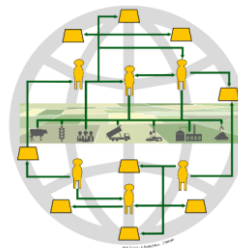
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➤ Conclusion



- Iterative process

- Proto-metabolism to enrich the field work
- Field work to consolidate the agri-chain metabolism

- Stimulate discussions with stakeholders

- Organize workshop to foster exchanges between stakeholders on strategic prospective

Marty et al. 2021

Thank you for your attention



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