



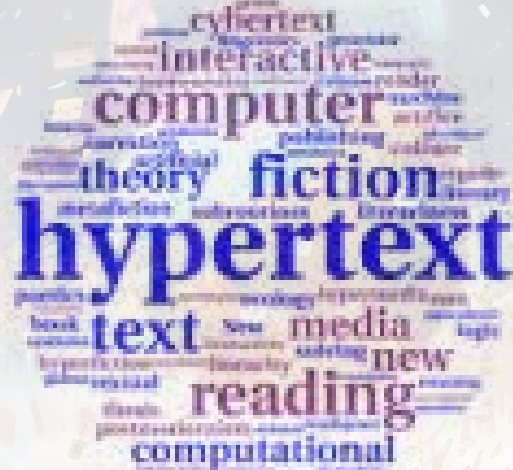
## **Women Electronic Literature Writers in Wikipedia Project**

# Why do we need Wikipedia?

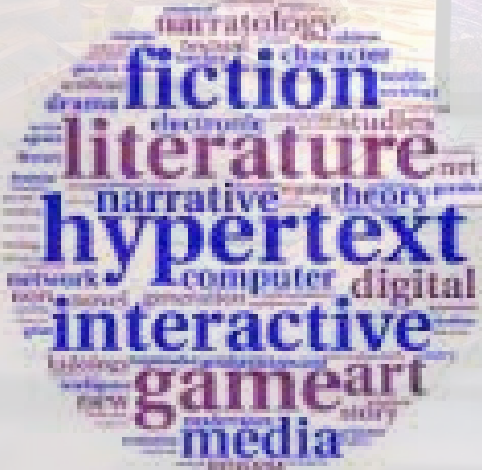
**Wikipedia provides a vetted  
introduction to all topics**

**Google gets Wikipedia  
entries front and center in  
searches**

**Readers will not discover  
writers that are not  
yet in Wikipedia**



A word cloud centered on a laptop screen, featuring terms like 'computer', 'theory', 'fiction', 'hypertext', 'text', 'new media', 'reading', and 'computational'. The background is a 3D rendering of a room filled with floating papers and laptops.



A word cloud on the left side of the image, featuring terms like 'fiction', 'literature', 'narrative', 'hypertext', 'interactive', 'game art', and 'media'. It is set against a background of floating papers and laptops.



A word cloud on the right side of the image, featuring terms like 'literature', 'media', 'digital', 'poetry', 'hypertext', and 'studies'. It is set against a background of floating papers and laptops.



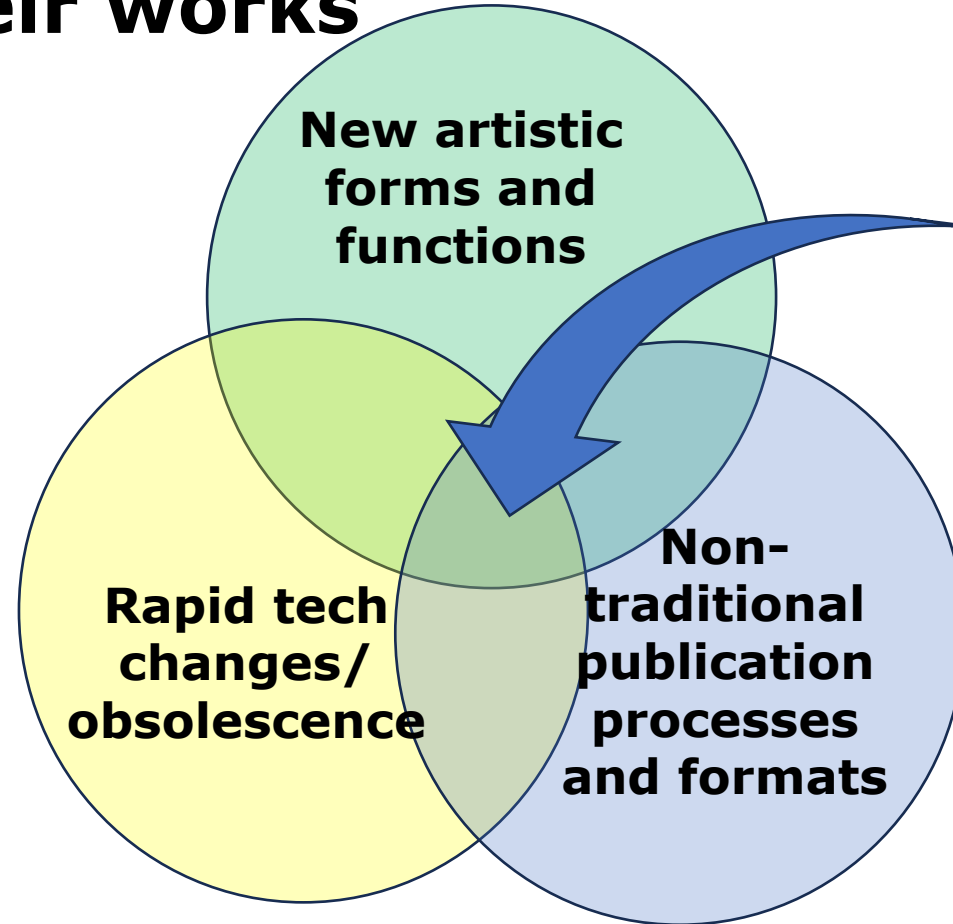
# Wikipedia feeds AI

*[Chat GPT-3] was strained using text databases from the internet. This included a whopping 570GB of data obtained from books, web texts, **Wikipedia**, articles and other pieces of writing on the internet. To be even more exact, 300 billion words were fed into the system. Alex Hughes ChatGPT. BBC Science Focus. 9/25/2023*

<https://www.sciencefocus.com/future-technology/gpt-3>

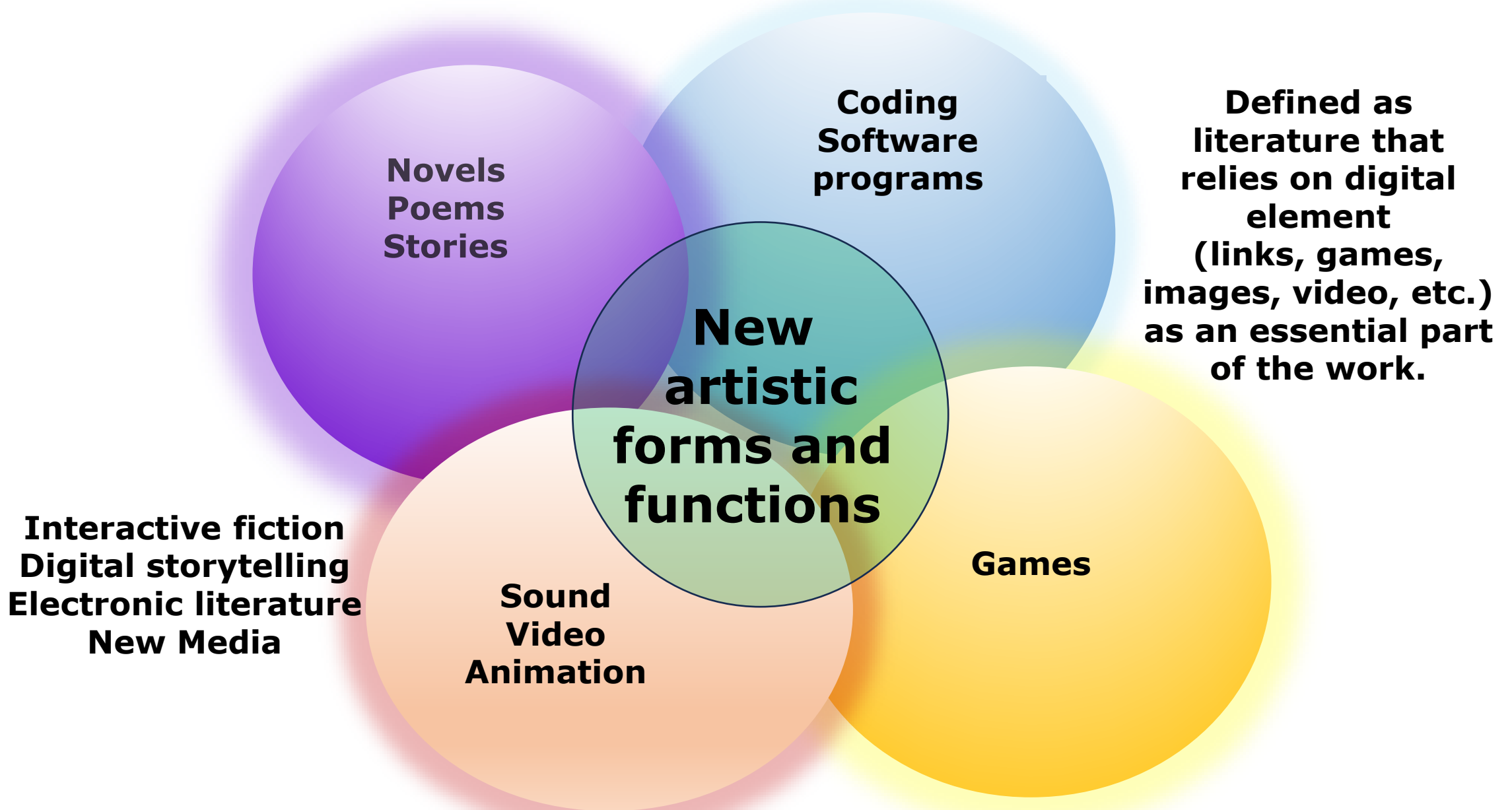
**Over seven billion Wikipedia articles.**

**Digital scholarship  
Electronic literature  
writers and their works**

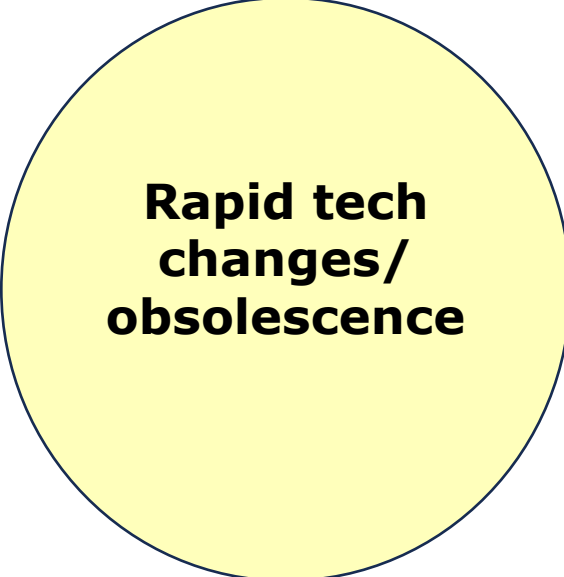


**Face a  
combination  
of challenges**

# Where do we fit into Wikipedia?



# Publications



**Rapid tech  
changes/  
obsolescence**

**Many works are obsolescent and can not be accessed any more.**

**Like the Library of Alexandria, it is even more crucial that a description of these seminal works survive.**

# Publications

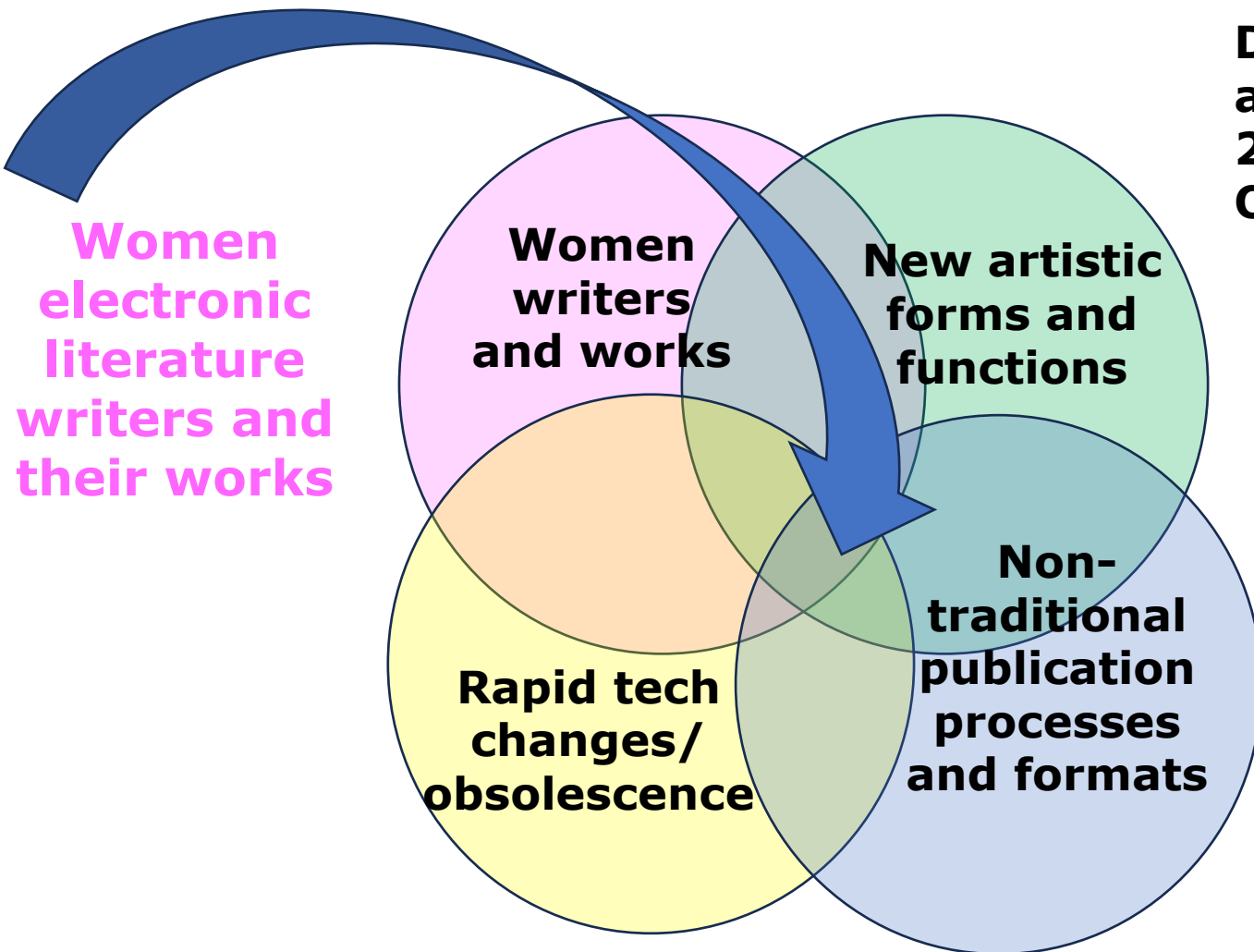


In general, sources with **no** editorial control are not reliable. These include (but are not limited to) books published by vanity presses, blogs, web forums, Reddit discussions, personal social media, fan sites, and other similar venues. If anyone at all can post information without anyone else checking that information, it is probably not reliable. Similarly, an opinion column in an otherwise reputable newspaper cannot help establish notability [Help:Your first article - Wikipedia](#).

**We have blogs, Electronic Book Review, and a few academic links. Most authors are self-published.**

- Training module
- Are most statements in the article connected to a reliable source, such as textbooks and journal articles? Or do they rely on blogs or self-published authors?

[Reliable sources - - Wiki Education Dashboard](#)



**Women  
electronic  
literature  
writers and  
their works**

**Despite major efforts in the last decade, almost 90% of the editors were men in 2018 (Collier and Bear 2012, Ramírez-Ordóñez 2022, and Wikipedia 2023).**

## **Men's bios are 80% of Wikipedia bios.**

*Of the 1,960,452 biographical articles on the English Wikipedia in September 2023, only 385,236 or 19.65% were about women. The biographies that do exist are considerably more likely to be nominated for deletion than existing articles of men.*

Humaniki via Women in Red Wikipedia Project.

Collier, B. and J. Bear, 2012. Conflict, criticism, or confidence: an empirical examination of the gender gap in wikipedia contributions. ACM 2012 Proceedings, page 383-392.

Wikipedia 2023. Gender bias on Wikipedia. [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gender\\_bias\\_on\\_Wikipedia#:~:text=Gender%20bias%20on%20Wikipedia%2C%20also,women%20are%20less%20well%2Dcovered](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gender_bias_on_Wikipedia#:~:text=Gender%20bias%20on%20Wikipedia%2C%20also,women%20are%20less%20well%2Dcovered). Accessed 3/23/2023.

Ramírez-Ordóñez, D., N. Ferran-Ferrer, and J. Meneses. 2022. Wikipedia and gender: The deleted, the marked, and the unpolluted biographies. In *Wiki Workshop 2022: April 25-26, 2022*, <https://doi.org/10.1145/1122445.1122456>



# Editathon examples

- Jessica Pressman (Can we take off the tags?) [Jessica Pressman – Wikipedia](#) What is needed to make this a notable article?
- Daniela Côrtes Maduro Can we turn this into an article? What else do we need?
- Student efforts for works.

# What are we doing?

## **Third Thursday at Three UTC!**

Monthly zoom meeting  
to plan and research and write

## **Conferences:**

Society for History of Technology  
panel October 2023

North America Wikipedia Conference  
November 2023

## **Database populating**

Exploring partnerships  
with ELMCIP, NeXT, etc.  
share information

## **Draft Document**

Gather information  
in Google docs

## **Articles**

Writing articles  
and interviews in  
other venues (EBR?)

## **Universities**

Proposing projects  
and syllabi  
Digital Storytelling  
WSUV 2023

# How you can help!



**Come to our  
meetings**

**Partner with us**

**Join our  
long-term  
effort!**

**Inform our  
draft  
document**

**Give  
presentations**

**Get your  
students  
involved**

**Write  
articles**

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