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Beyond the impact factor: possibilities of scientometrics to understand science and society

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Outline

Scientometrics as data science

Scientometrics to understand science...

- ... and society
 - Altmetrics and social media metrics





Scientometrics as a branch of Data Science

- "Data science is a multi-disciplinary field that uses scientific methods, processes, algorithms and systems to <u>extract</u> <u>knowledge</u> and insights from <u>structured</u> and <u>unstructured</u> <u>data</u>" (Wikipedia)
- Scientometric data sources and applications conform a powerful approach to analyzing: scientific dynamics, trends, activities, interactions, impacts, etc. of multiple scholarly (and non-scholarly) actors through 'traces' recorded in scientific publications (and indexed in global bibliographic scientific databases)





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Why Scientometrics?

A bibliographic record from any scientometric database is a rich source of multiple 'traces' of information, all of them with diverse analytical possibilities.

Let's see an example from the Web of Science...



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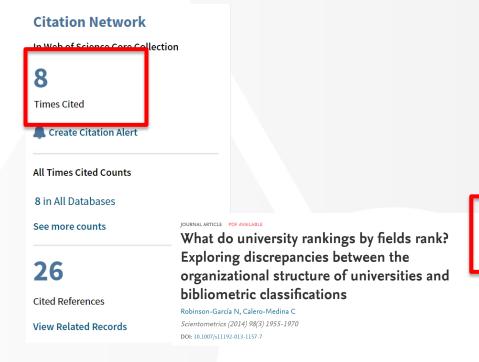
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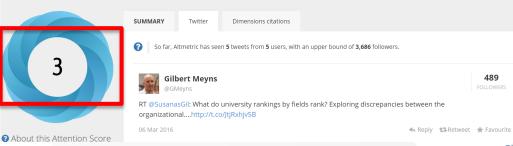


Impact and interactions



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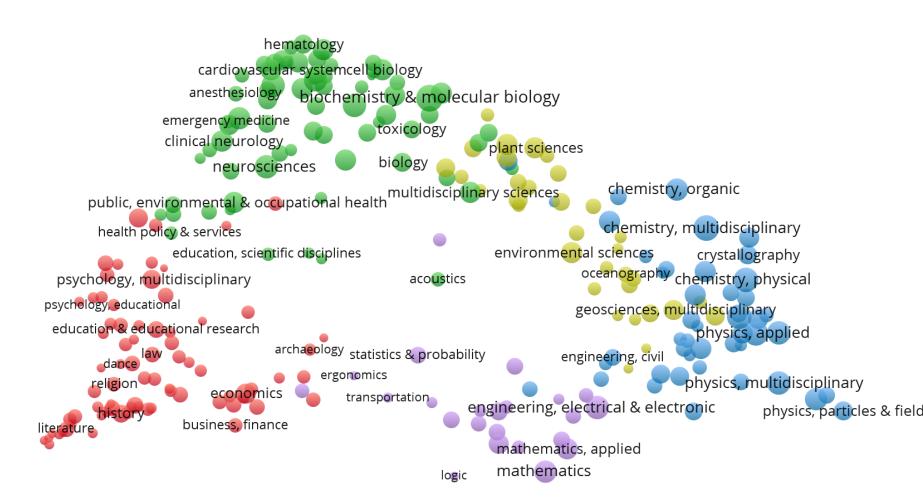
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Maps of science







(advanced) Maps of Science

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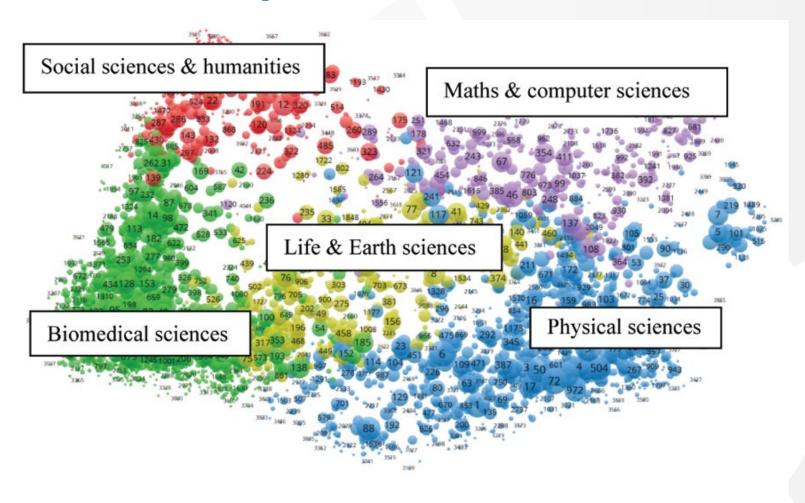
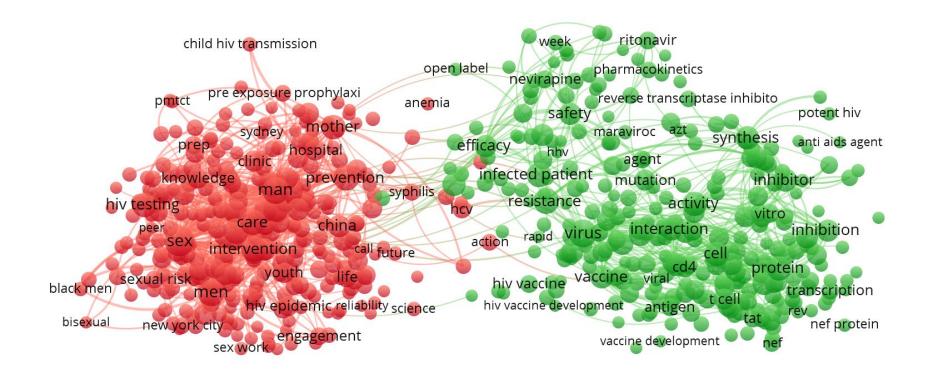
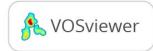


Figure 1. Landscape of science (data: Web of Science 2000–2017).

Circles represent clusters of publication (areas), size represents relative volume (numbers of publications), color represents main fields, disciplines.

Term mapsHIV research [Dimensions] - VOSviewer







Research management: Workforce analysis

 2008 onwards: author-affiliation linkage in Web of Science publications

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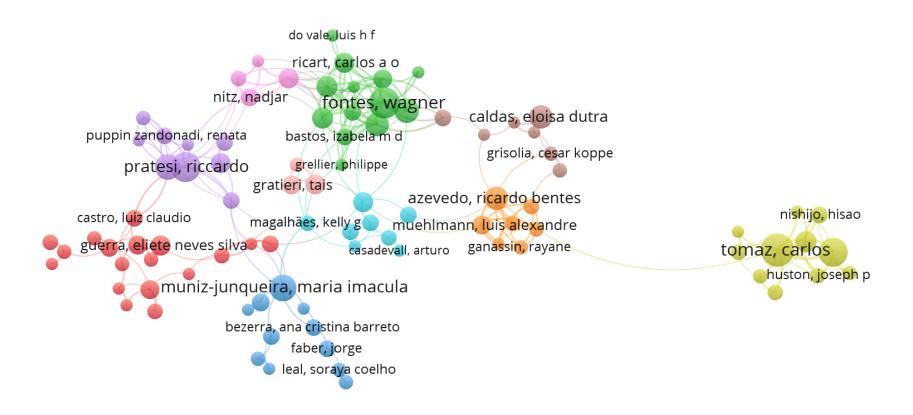
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Collaboration networks (selected scholars from UnB – Europe PMC, VOSviewer)







Mobility analysis

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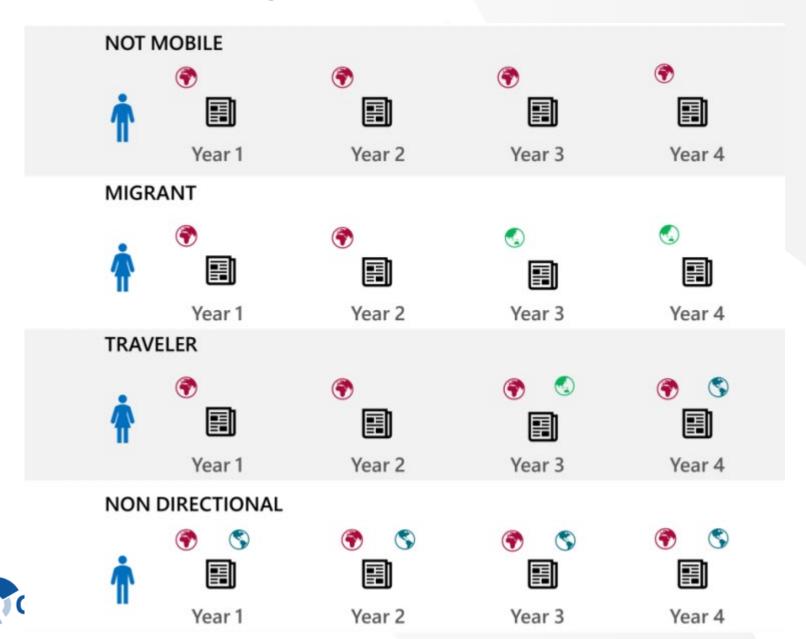
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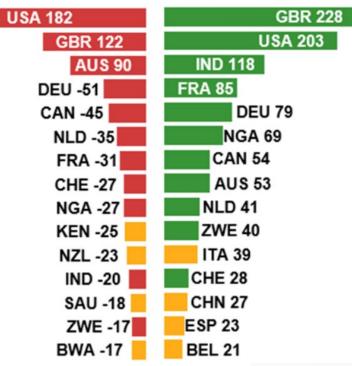


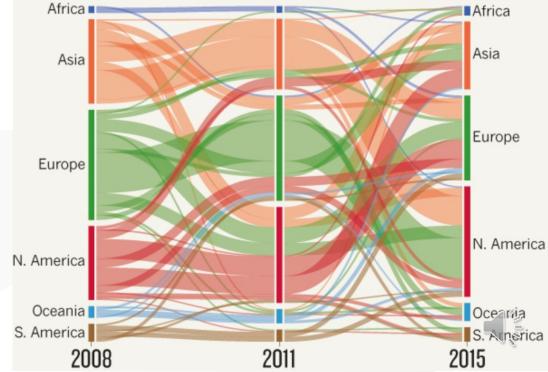
Conceptualizing mobility



Mobility analytics – flows, profiles, networks F) SOUTH AFRICA









Altmetrics & Social media metrics





What are altmetrics & social media metrics?

- Altmetrics Manifesto (2010) (http://altmetrics.org/manifesto/)
- Difficult to define:
 - Working definition: events on social and mainstream media platforms related to scholarly content or scholars [...] and are not the same as [...] citations (Haustein, Bowman, Costas, 2015)
 - Heterogeneity!



















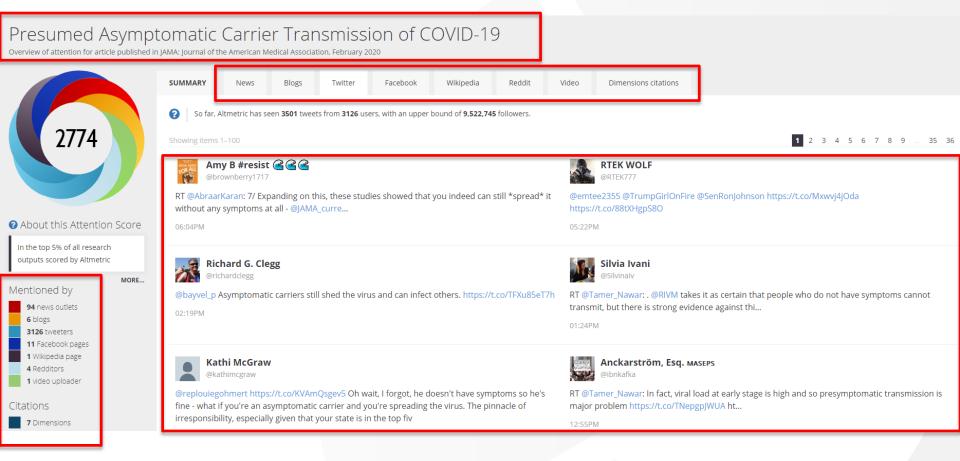




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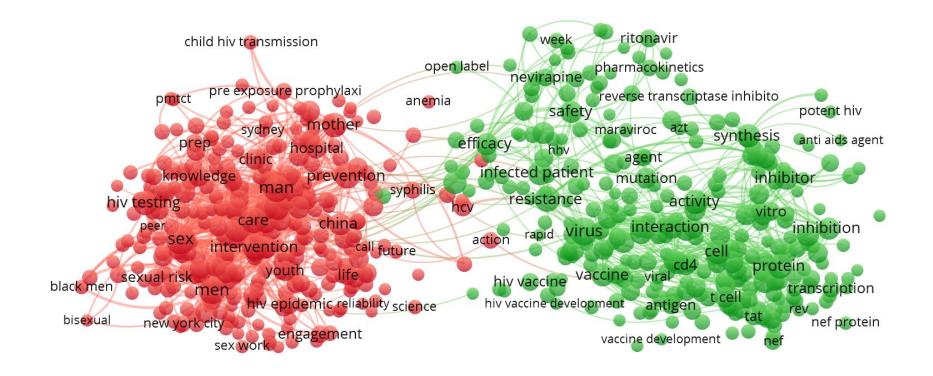
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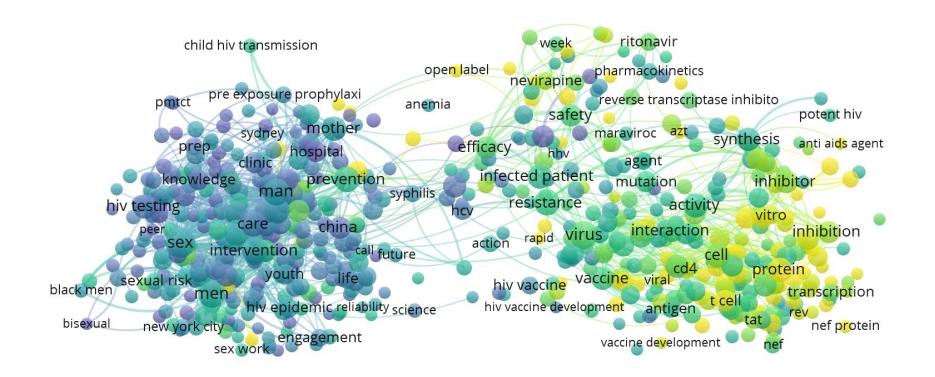
Thematic landscapes: HIV research [Dimensions] - VOSviewer



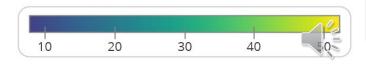




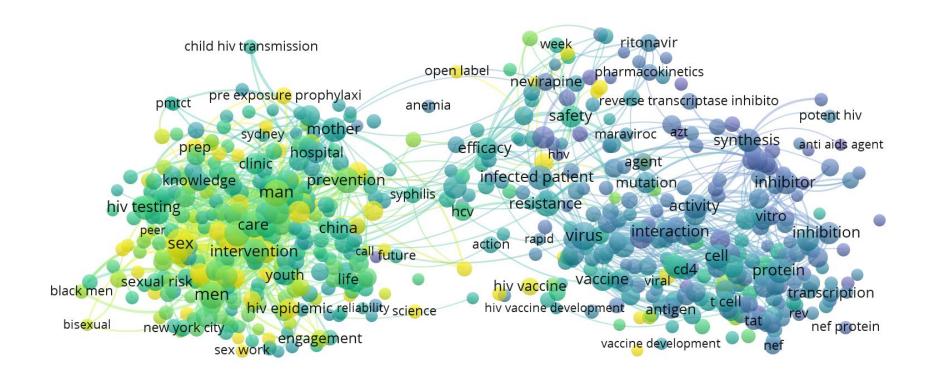
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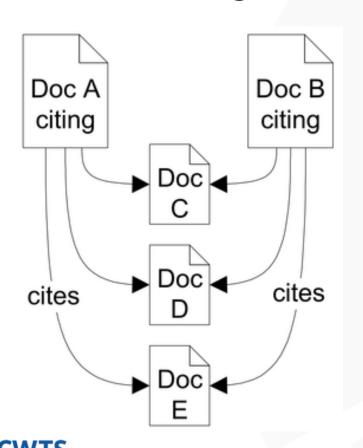




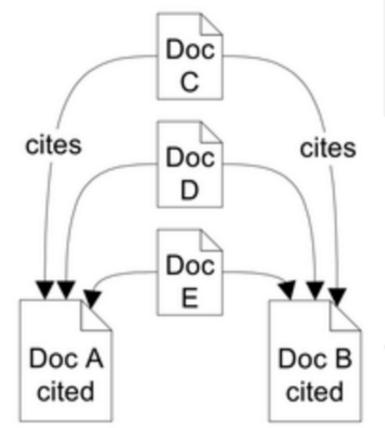


Towards the conceptualization of 'heterogeneous couplings'

Bibliographic coupling (co-linking)*



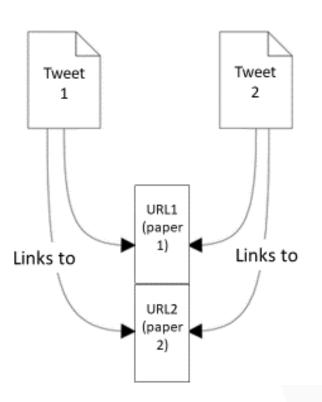
Co-citation (Boyack & Klavans, 2010) (co-linked)*



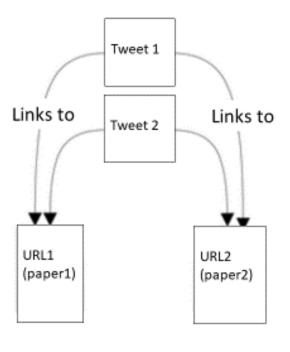


Heterogeneous couplings on Twitter – tweets

Tweet coupling



Co-tweet linked

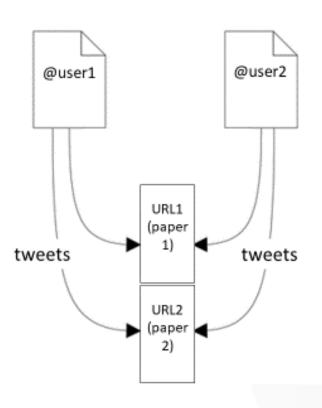




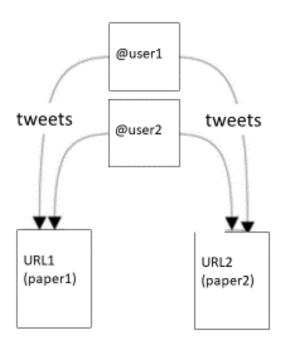


Heterogeneous couplings on Twitter – tweeter

Tweeter coupling



Co-tweeter linked

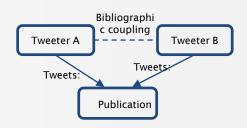


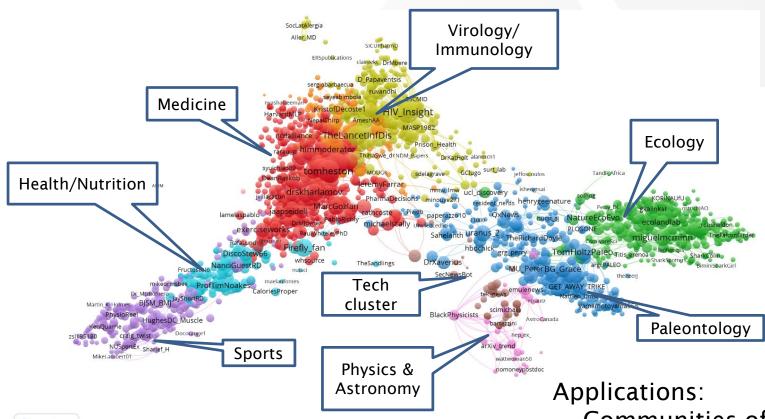




Tweeter coupling based on ZA-research (Community of attention)

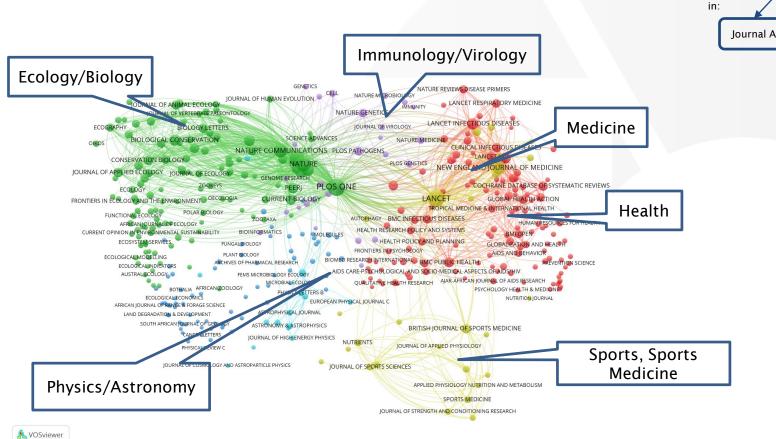
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- Communities of attention
- Diversity of audiences
- Identification of stakeholders
- Cognitive bridges

Co-tweeter linkage of journals based on ZA-research





- New maps of science
- Societal clusters of publications/topics

Twitter User

tweetation

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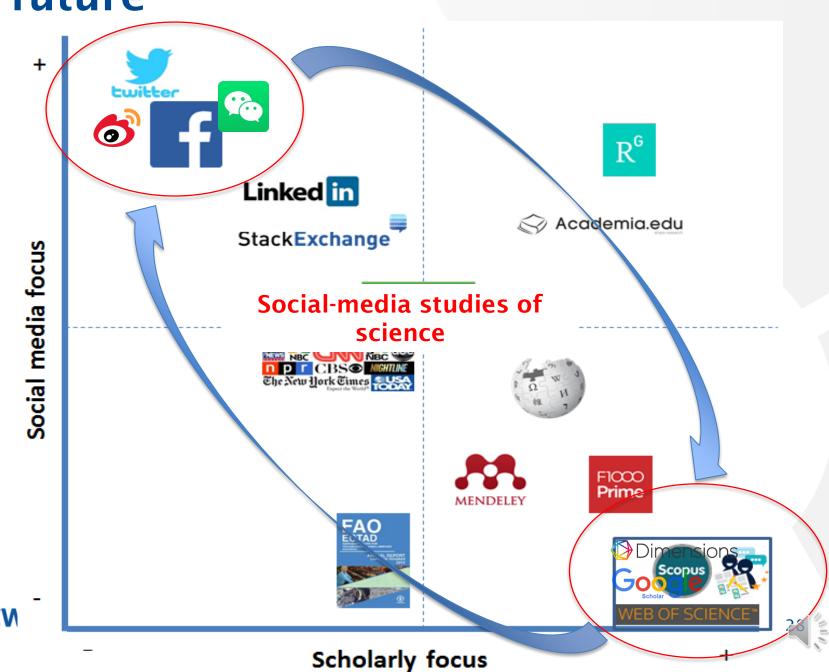
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The future



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