

New bibliometric mapping methods to identify structures and new developments in science

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Leiden University,
oldest in the Netherlands, 1575,
European League of Research Universities
(LERU)

Leiden, historic city (2th, 11th C.), strong
cultural (arts, painting) & scientific
tradition

one of the largest science parks in EU



Basics of bibliometric analysis:

science as a system structured by
communication

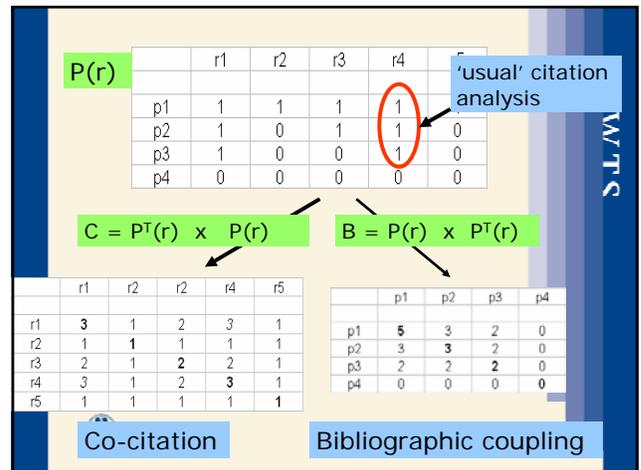
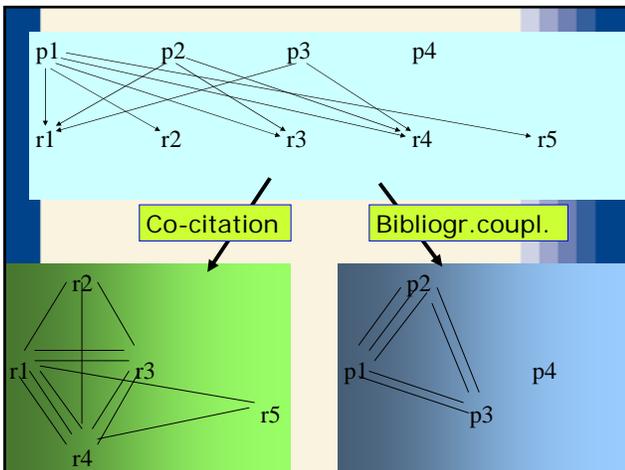
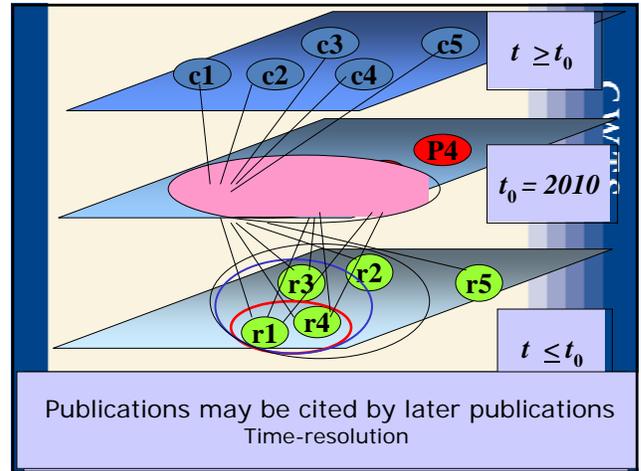
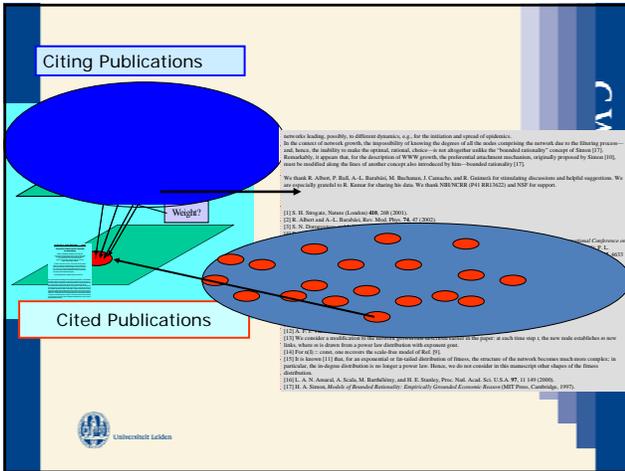
not just simple counting

discovery of patterns

mathematical foundations



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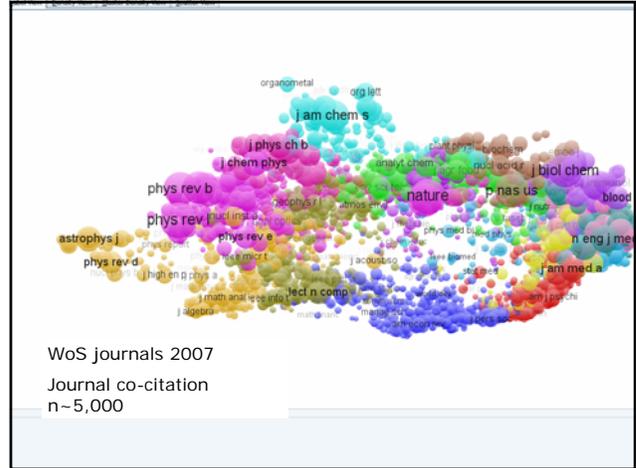


Structures on different levels of publication-aggregation:

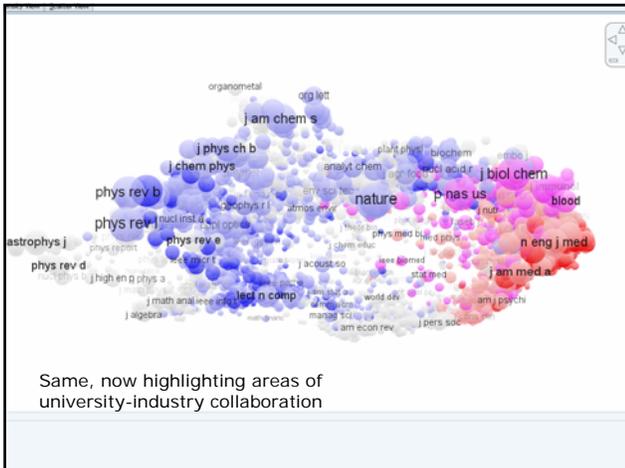
- Publications
- Journals (sets of publications)
- Fields (set of journals, WoS)



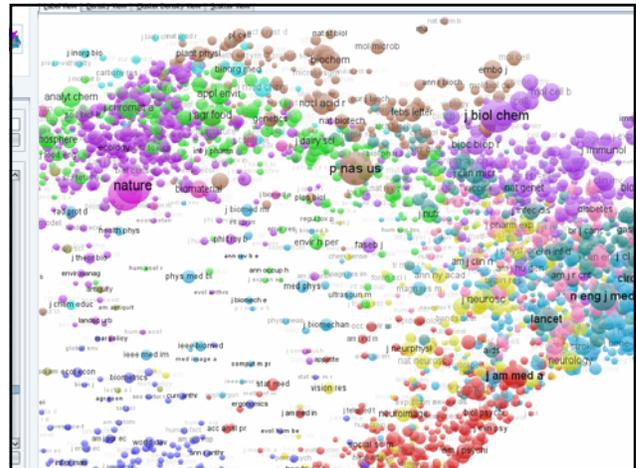
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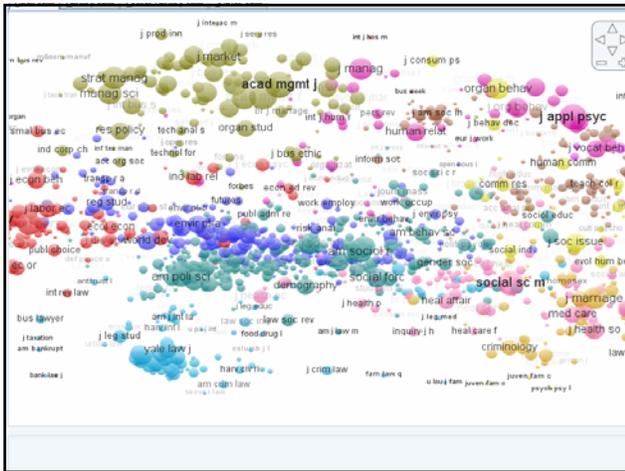


WoS journals 2007
Journal co-citation
n=5,000



Same, now highlighting areas of university-industry collaboration



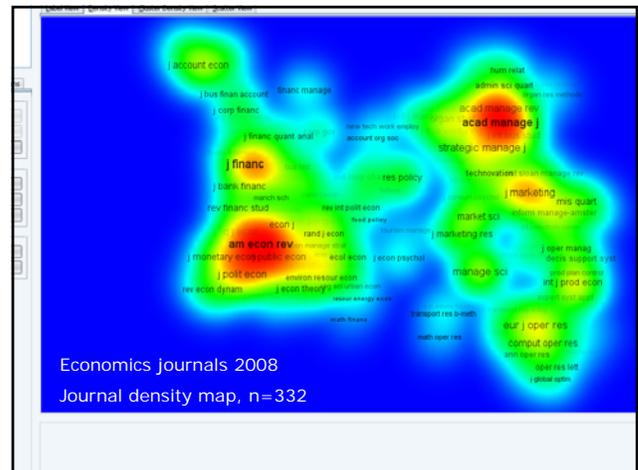
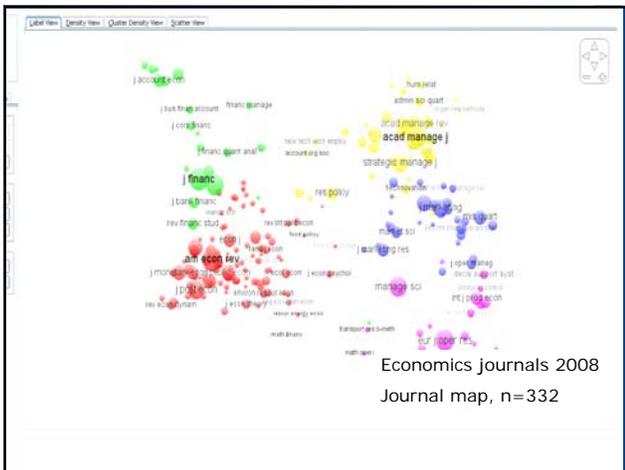


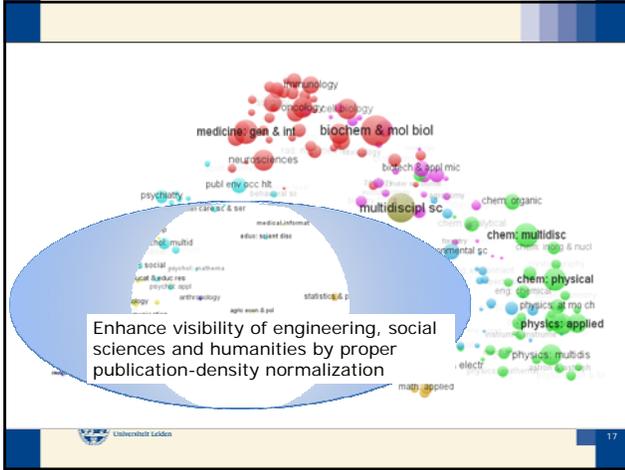
Journal Classification by j-to-j citations is severely hampered by 'everything relates to everything':

Need for consistent 'local' clustering

CWTS is developing novel mathematical methods to unify clustering and mapping ('Lay-out')

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Models

power law (w_1), scale free networks (w_2), community (w_3), universal scaling (w_4),.....

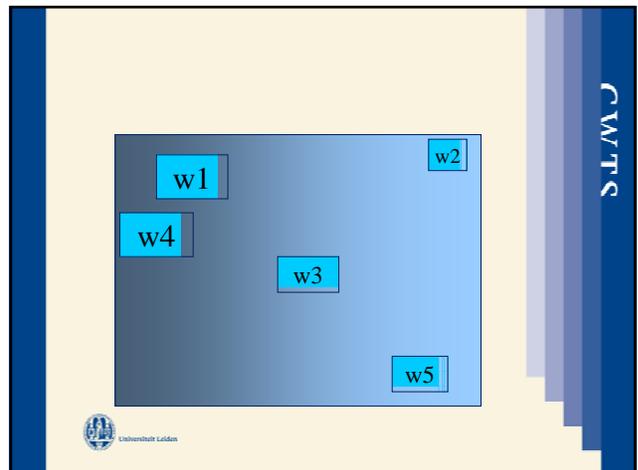
	w1	w2	w3	...	wm
p1					
p2					
p3					
p4					

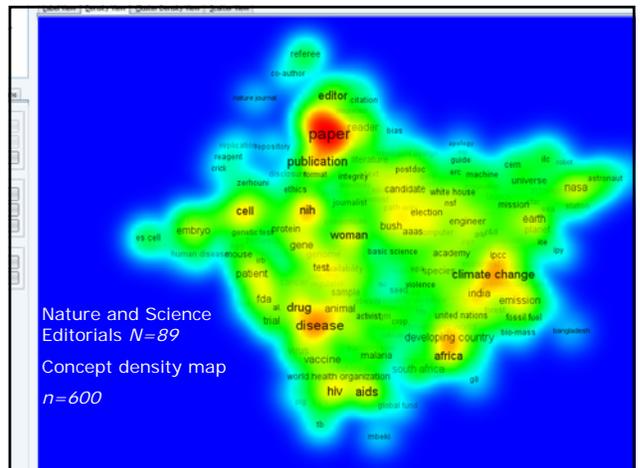
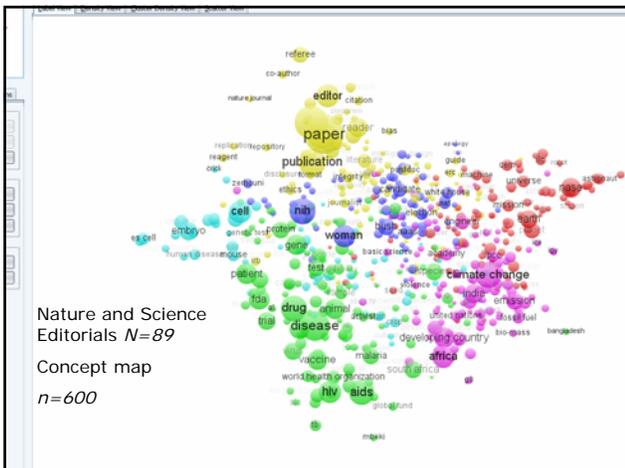
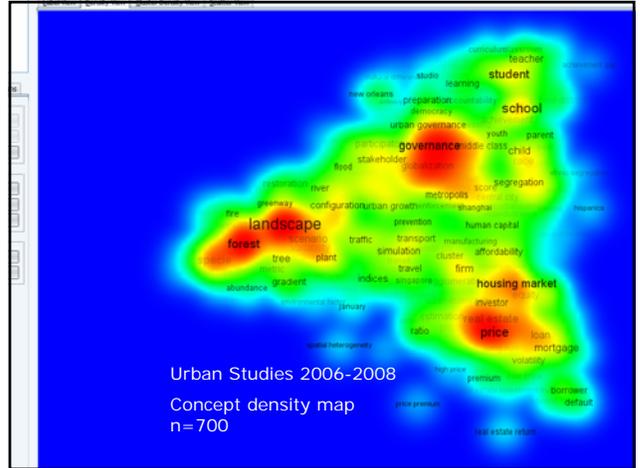
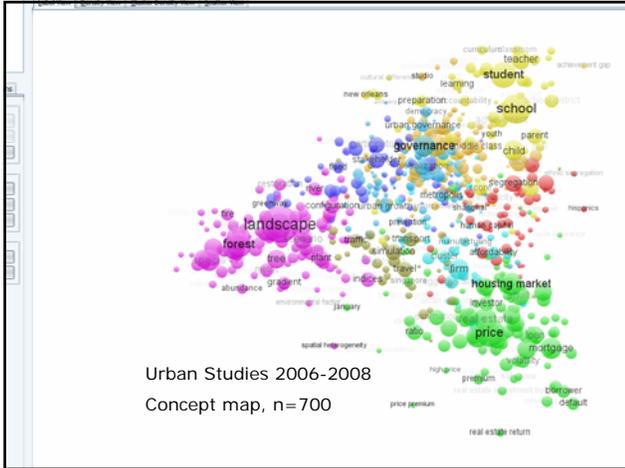
... information ... existing nodes in the ... follows a universal scaling ... controlled not only by the system size ... "accessible" to the node. We test our ...

	w1	w2	w3	...	wm
w1					
w2					
w3					
w4					

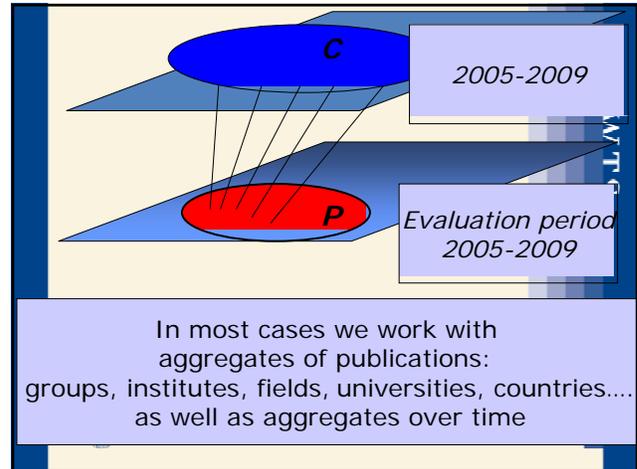
... mechanisms of global networks [1-3], such as the World Wide Web, such as Internet attacks [2], spread of an Email virus [7], or ... number of links play an important role on the dynamics of the ... precise distribution of the number of links. ... properties; that is, the number of incoming links and the ... tails [4-6]. It has been proposed [9] that the scale-free ... may be explained by a mechanism referred to as "preferential attachment" [10] in which new nodes link ... proportional to the number of existing links to these nodes. Here we focus on the stochastic character of the ... which we understand in the following way: New nodes want to connect to the existing nodes with the largest degree—because of the advantages offered by being linked to a well-connected node. For a large network it ... now the degrees of all existing nodes, so a new node must make a decision on which node to connect with ... the state of the network. The preferential attachment mechanism then comes into play as nodes with a larger degree are more likely to become known.

	w1	w2	w3	w4	w5
w1	●	1	2	3	1
w2	●	●	→		
w3	●	●			
w4	3	1	2	●	1
w5	1	1	1	1	●





Mapping is crucial for proper citation impact normalization in the context of evaluation studies



In most cases we work with aggregates of publications: groups, institutes, fields, universities, countries... as well as aggregates over time

- From other disciplines
- From emerging fields
- From research devoted to societal, economical and technological problems
- From industry
- From international top-groups

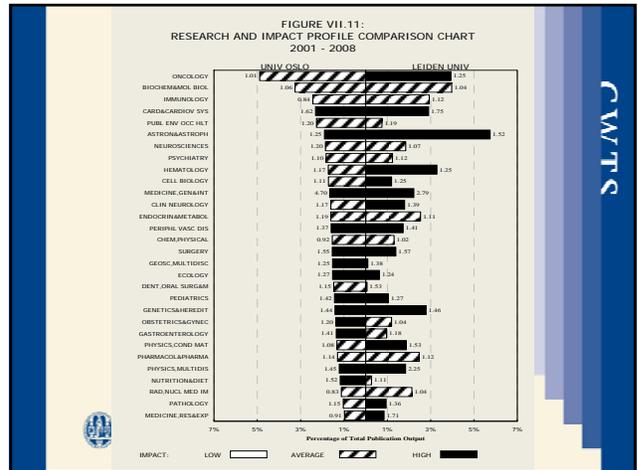
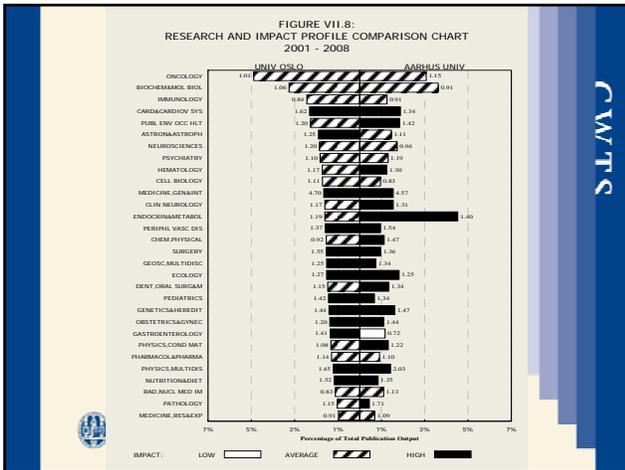
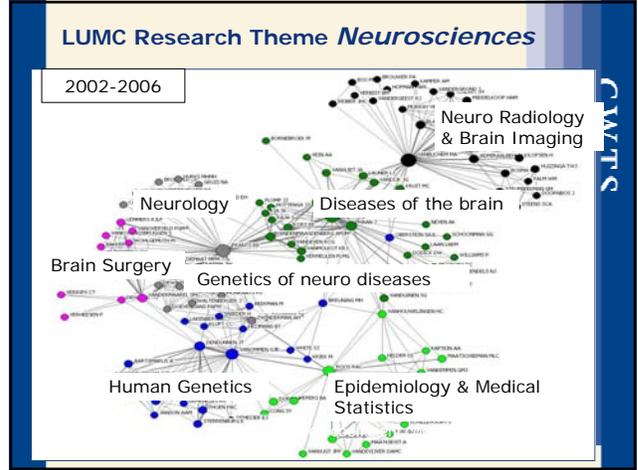
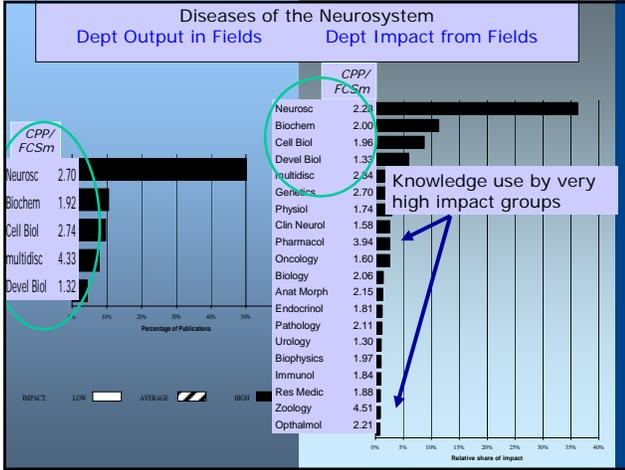
These all $f(t)!!$ > Sleeping Beauties

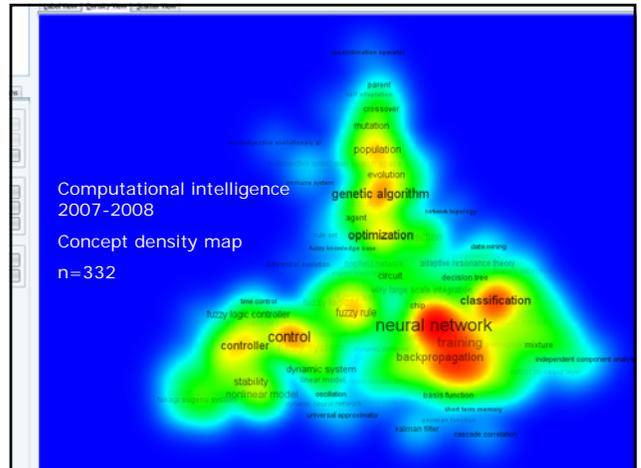
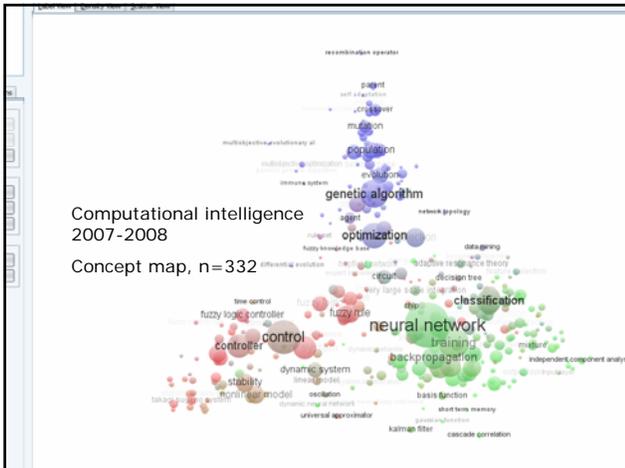
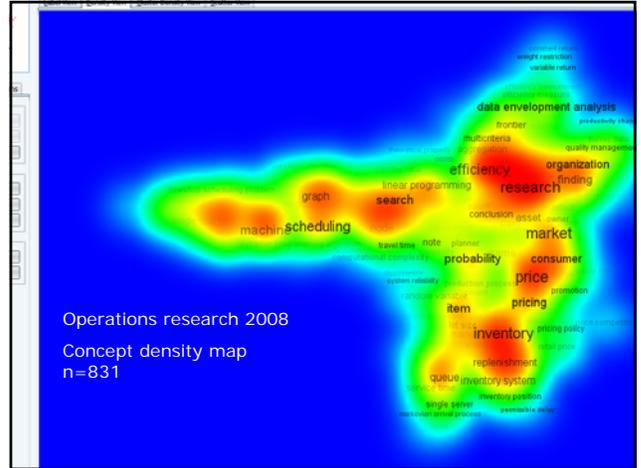
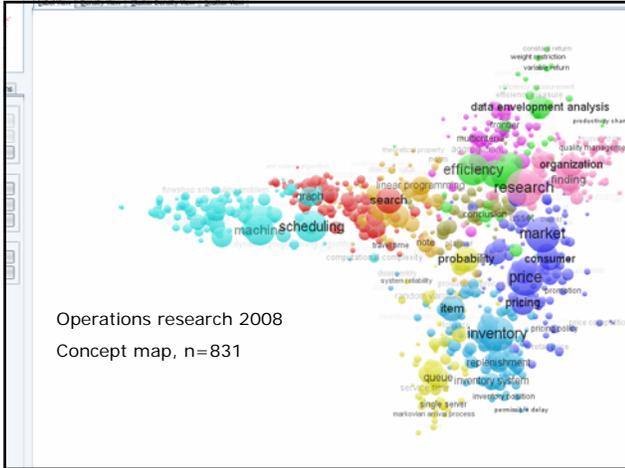


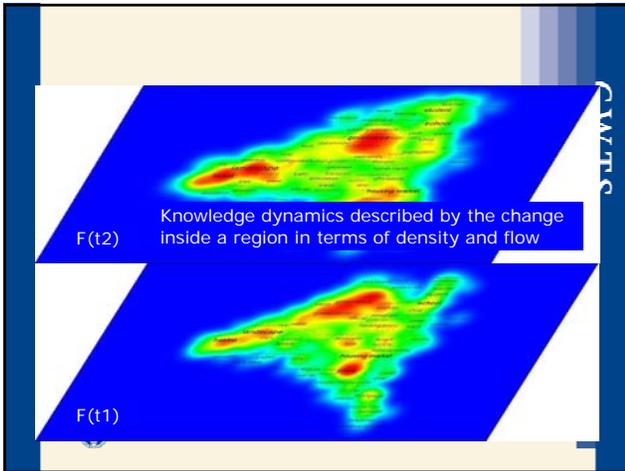
A single publication remains a 'building block' of the whole system, it has its own international environment, namely the journal and the field.

For *each* publication we *MUST* normalize its citation characteristics to the overall citation characteristics of the journal and/or the field









Conclusion

Advanced bibliometric analysis is a powerful method to

(1) Assess the international influence (impact, collaboration, profile) of scientific work in a reliable, transparent and objective way, particularly in the natural science and medical fields, and in several of the engineering and social science fields.



(2) Discover patterns in the structure of science which enables us to identify interdisciplinarity, knowledge flows and knowledge diffusion, and maps of research around socio-economic themes.



Thank you for your attention

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