

Mapping Knowledge Domains



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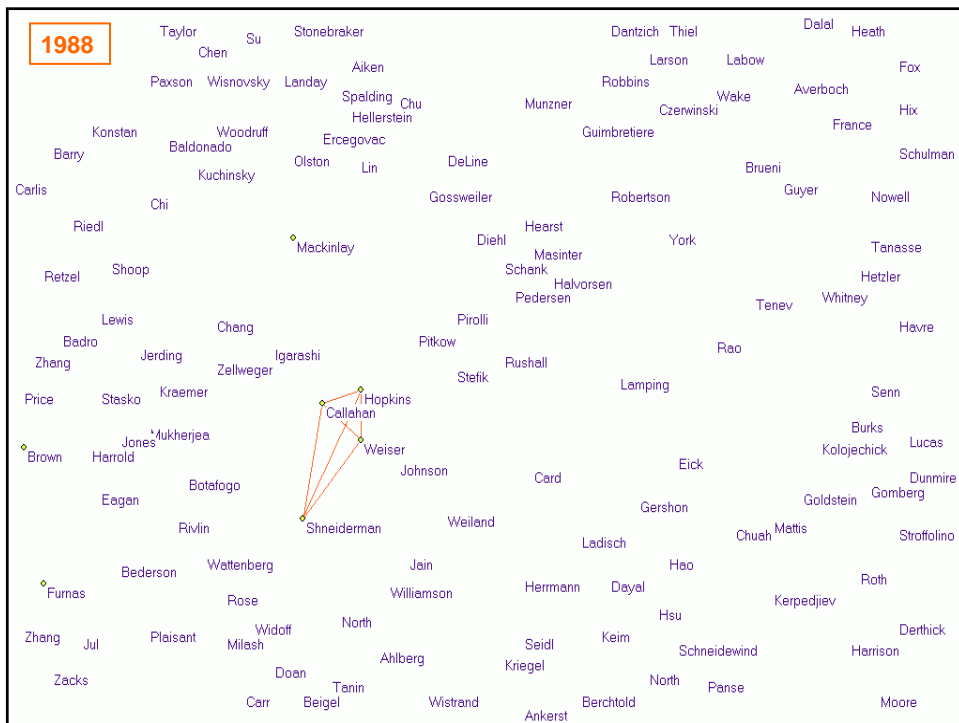
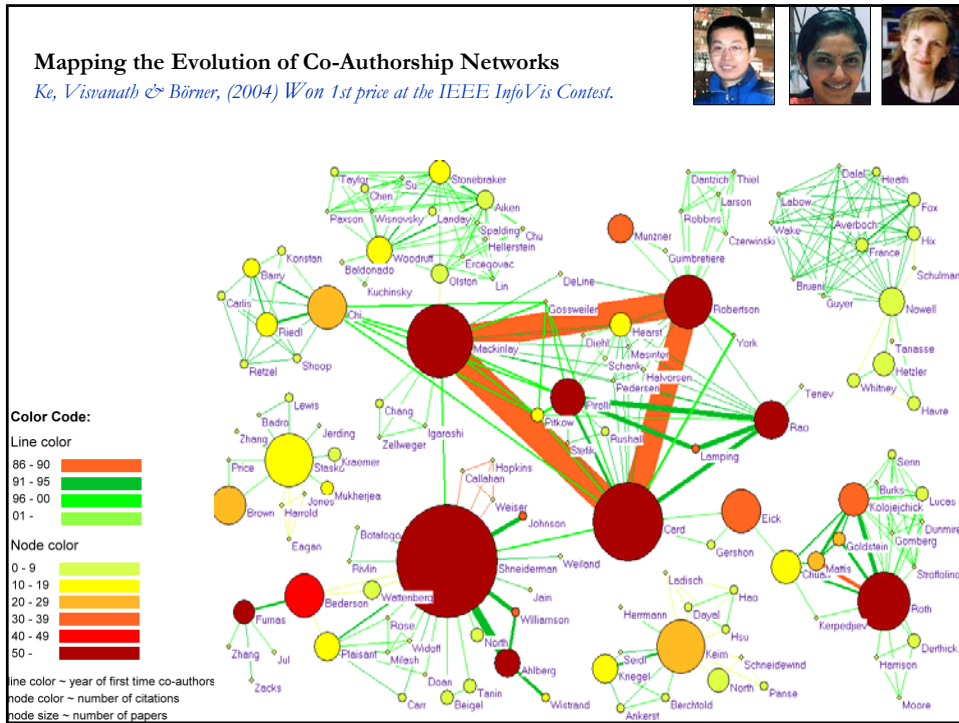


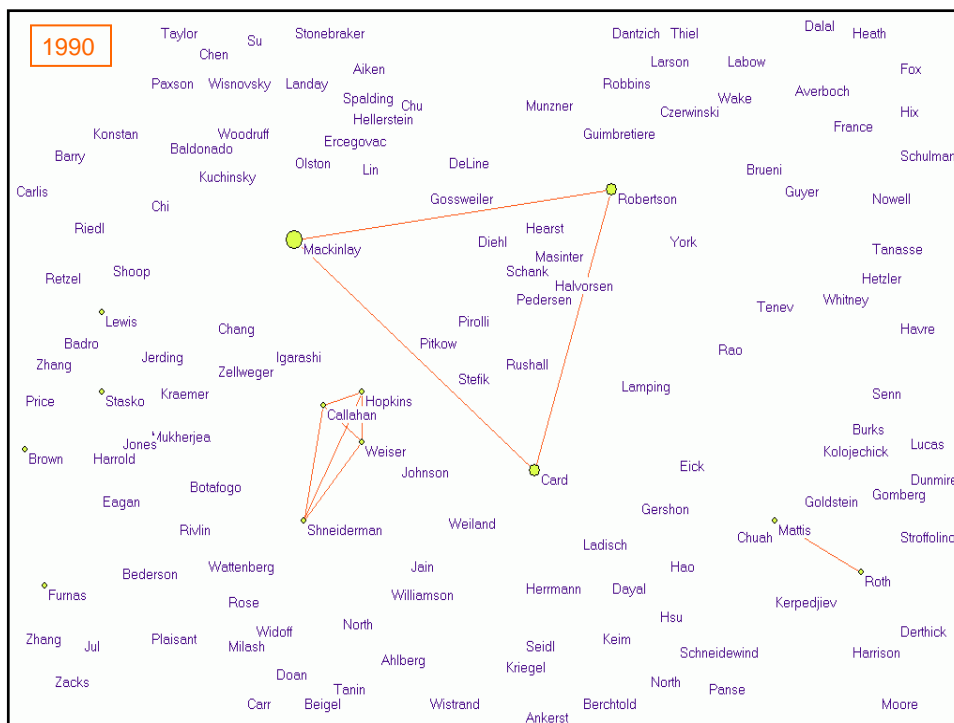
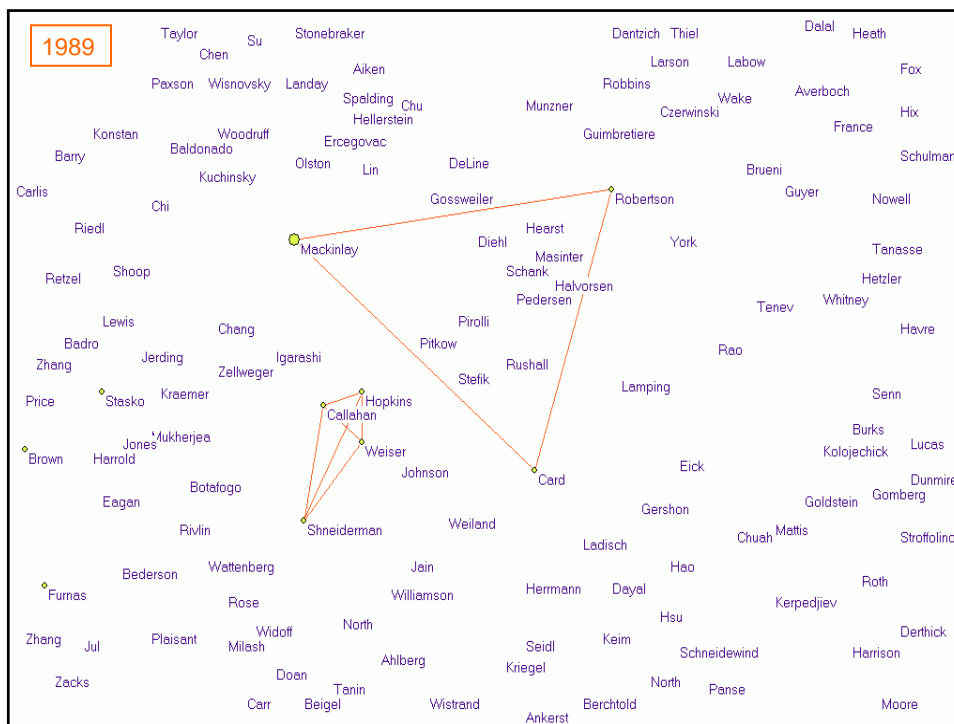
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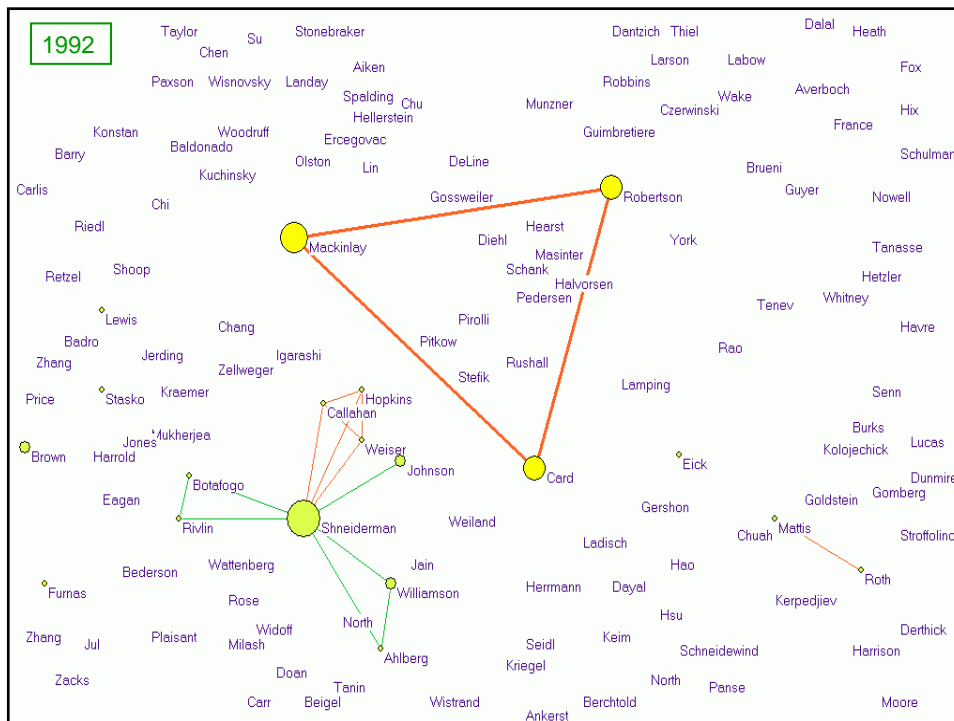
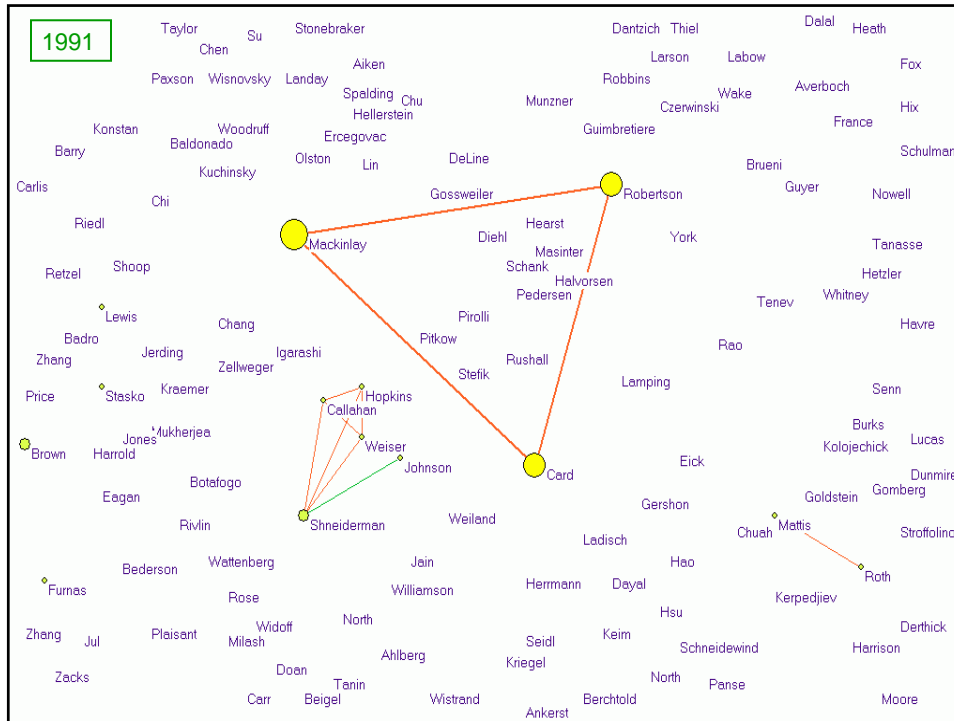
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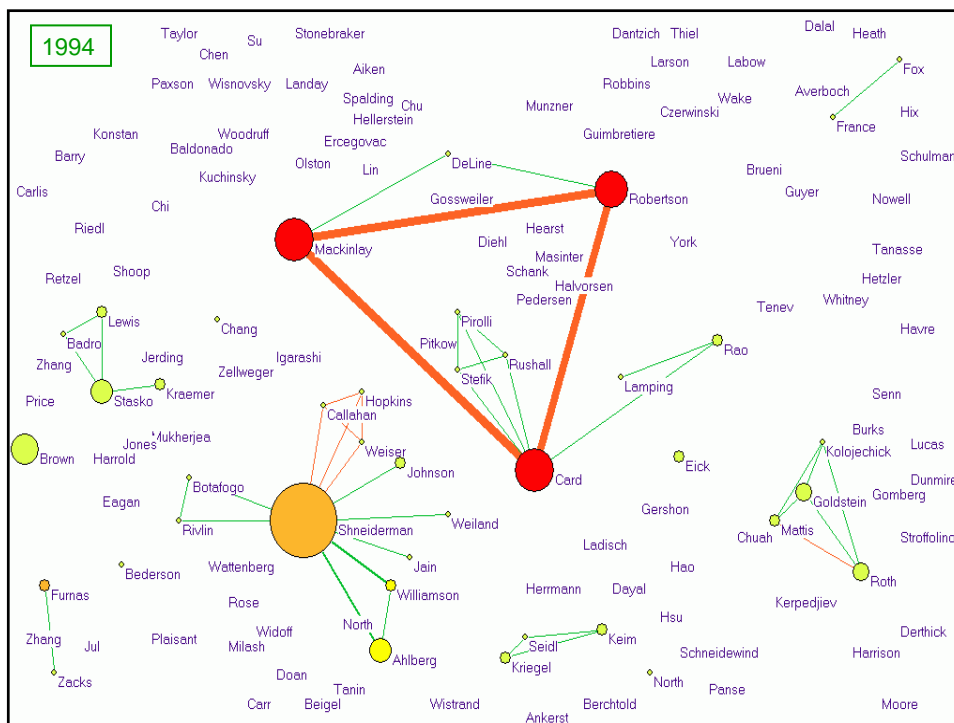
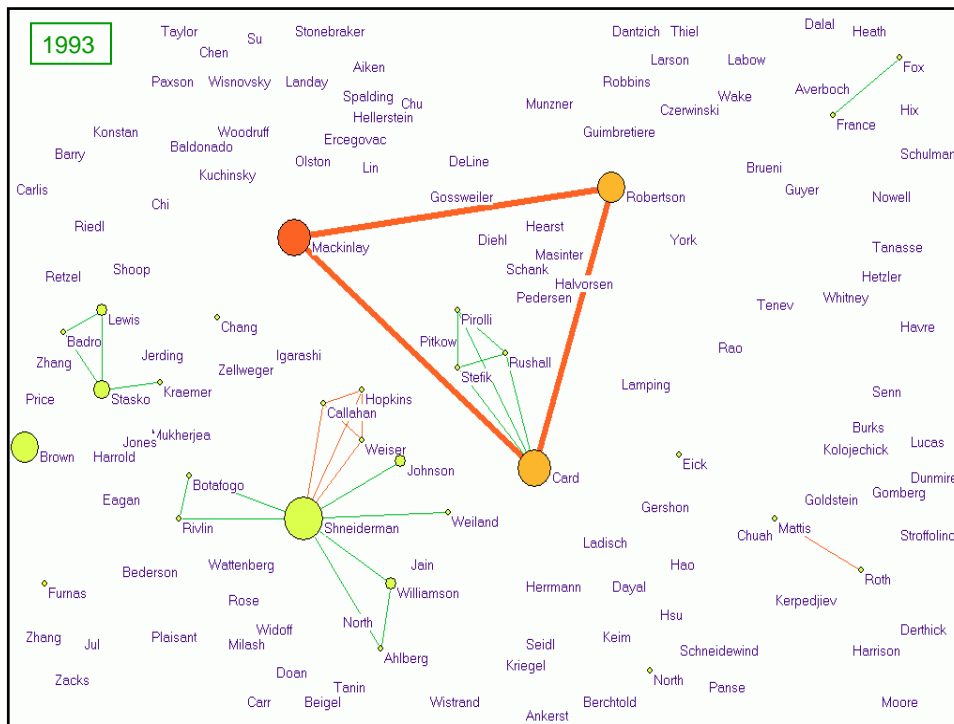
Mapping the Evolution of Co-Authorship Networks

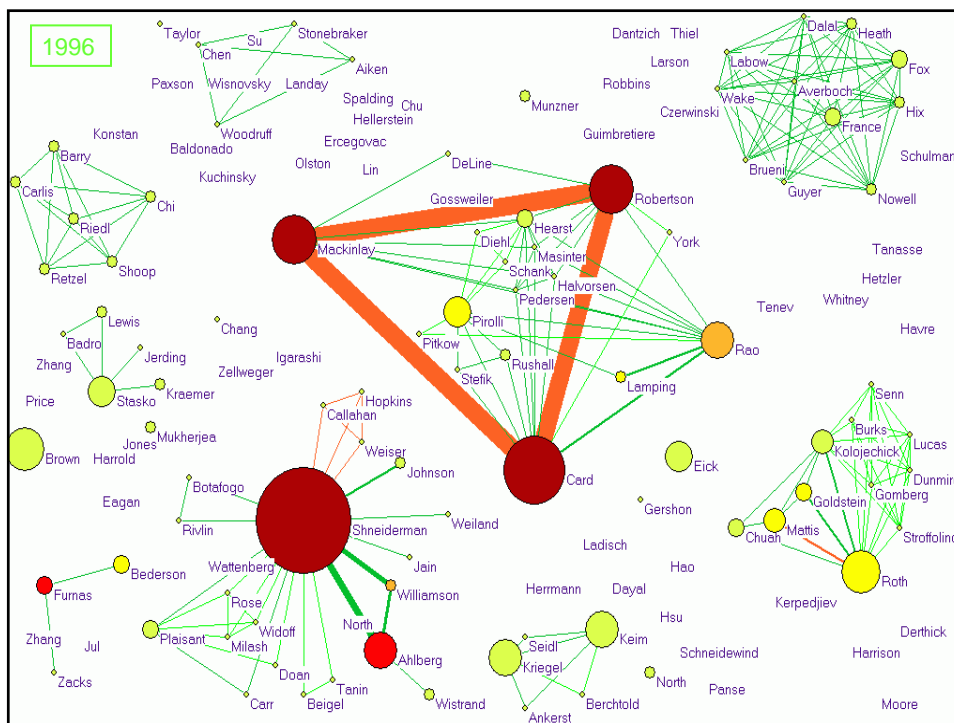
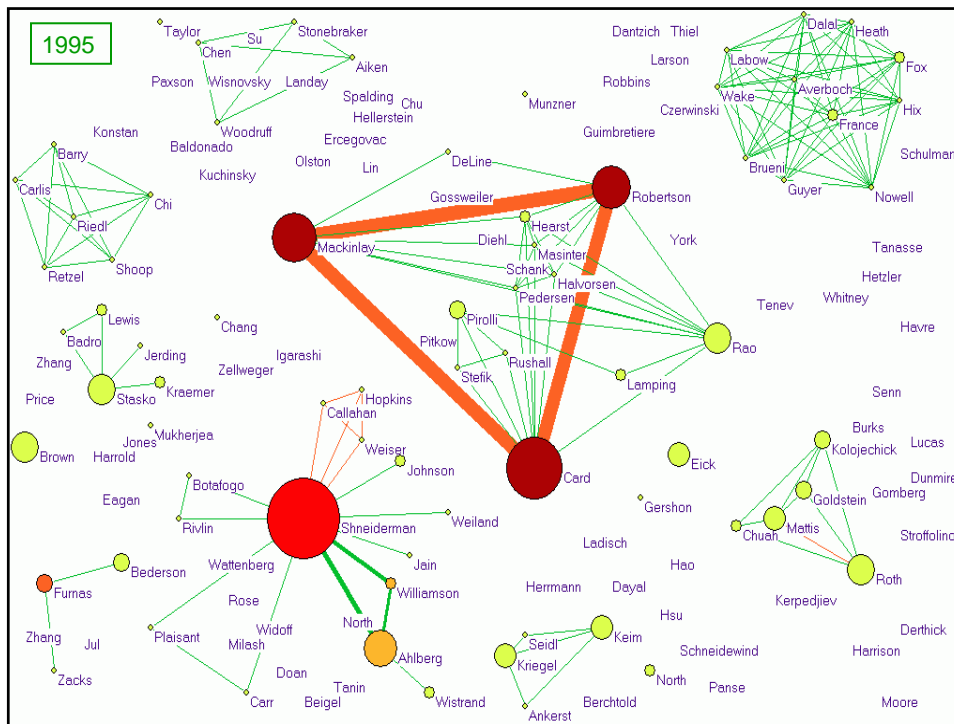
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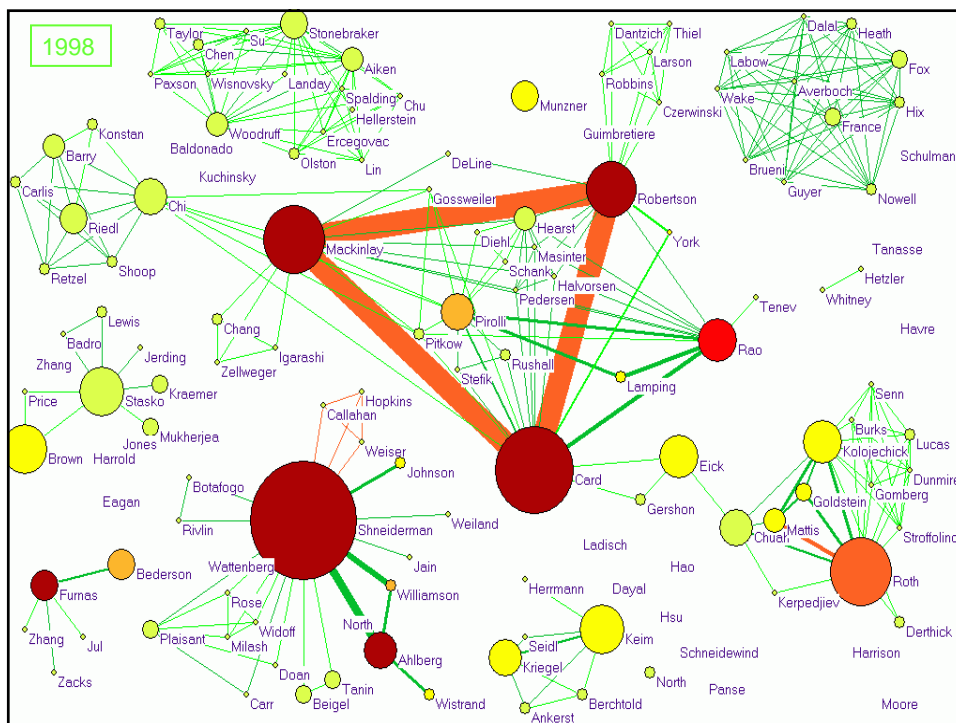
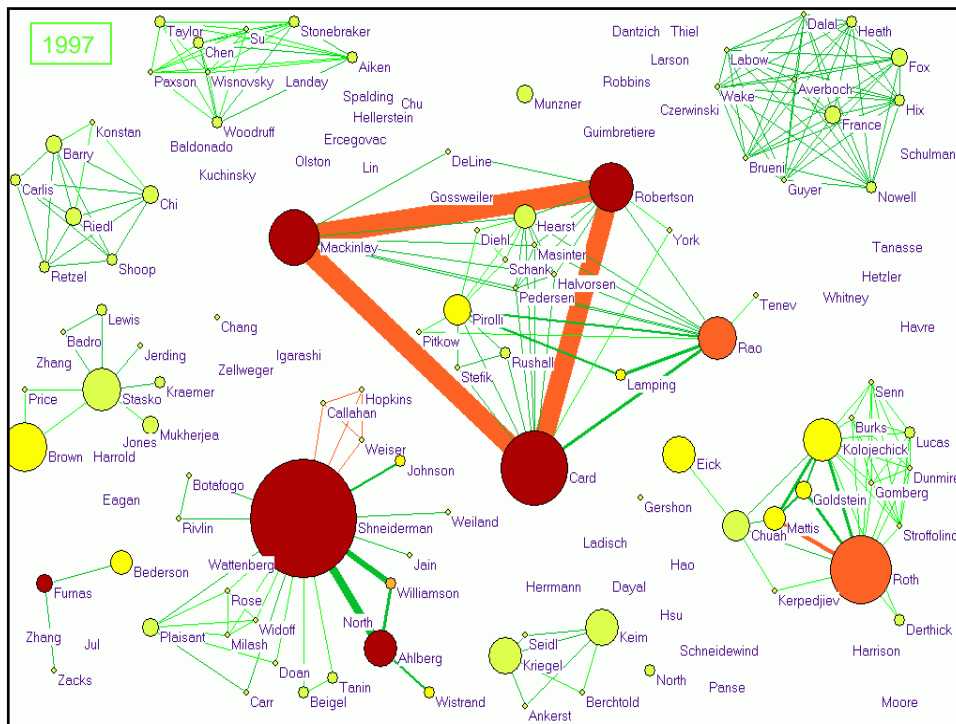


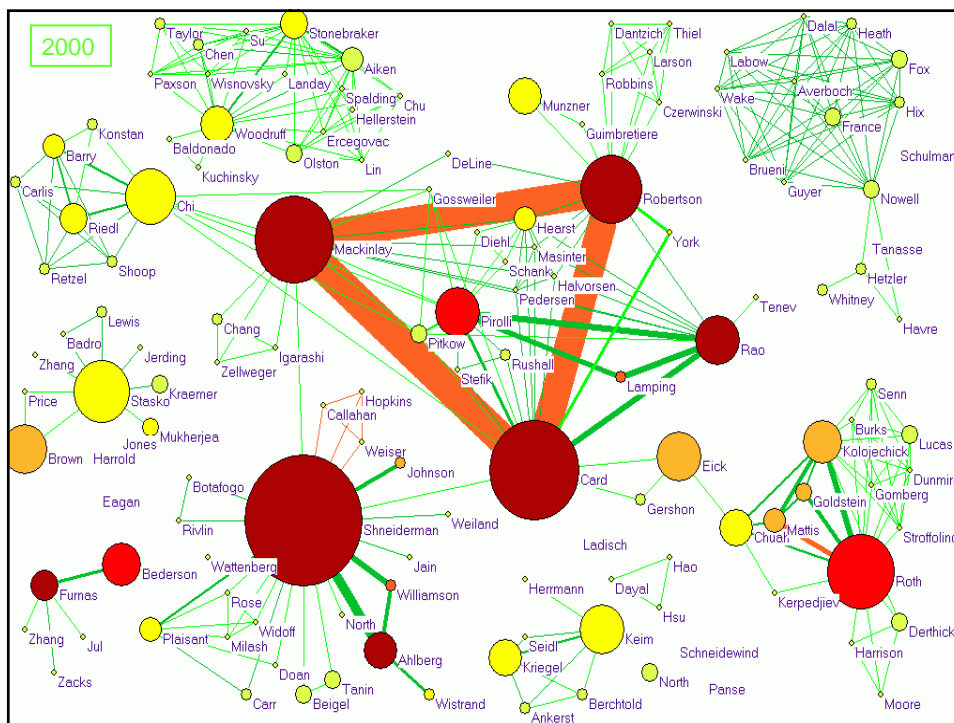
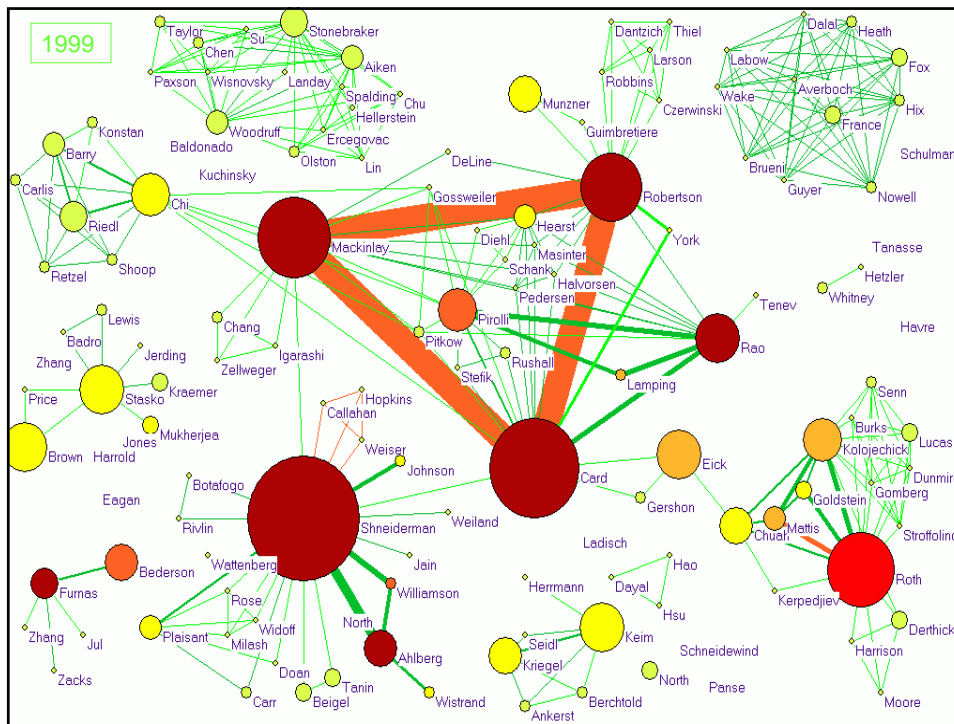


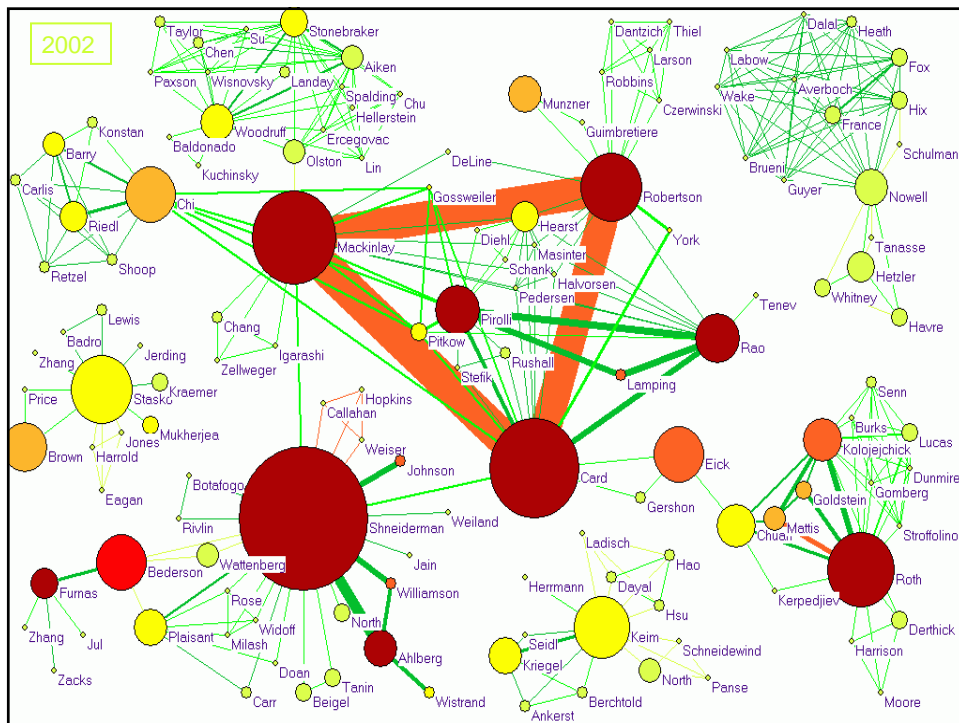
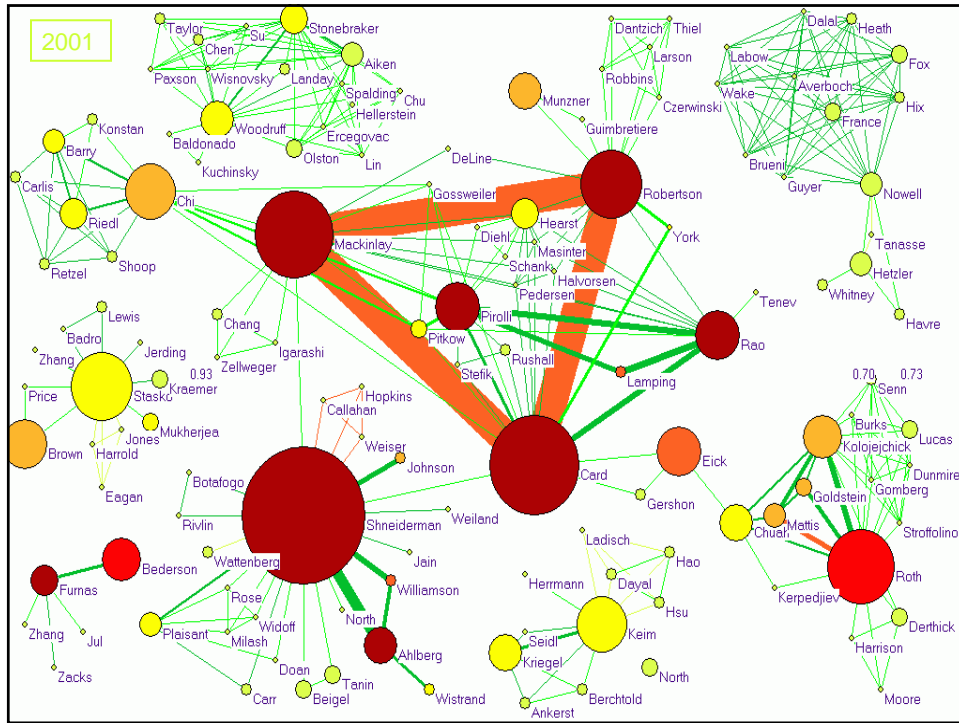


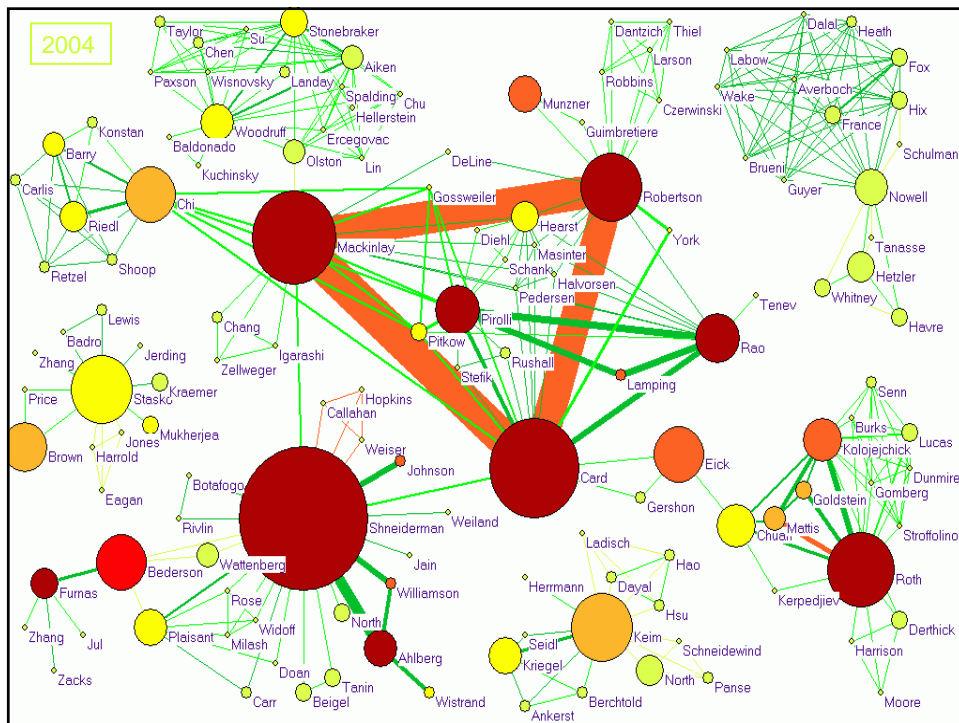
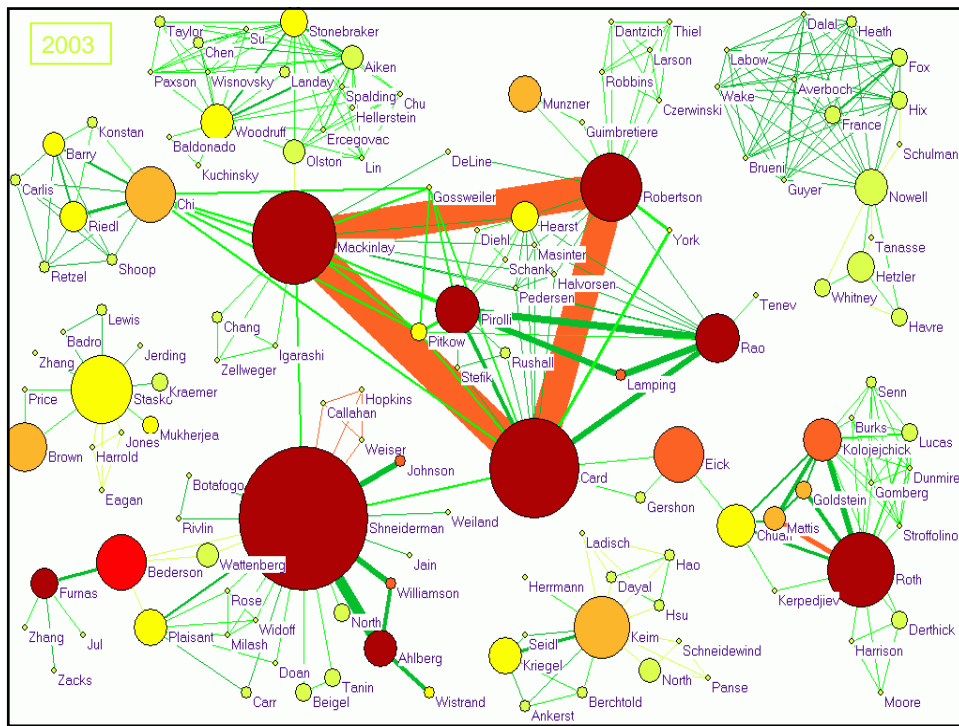


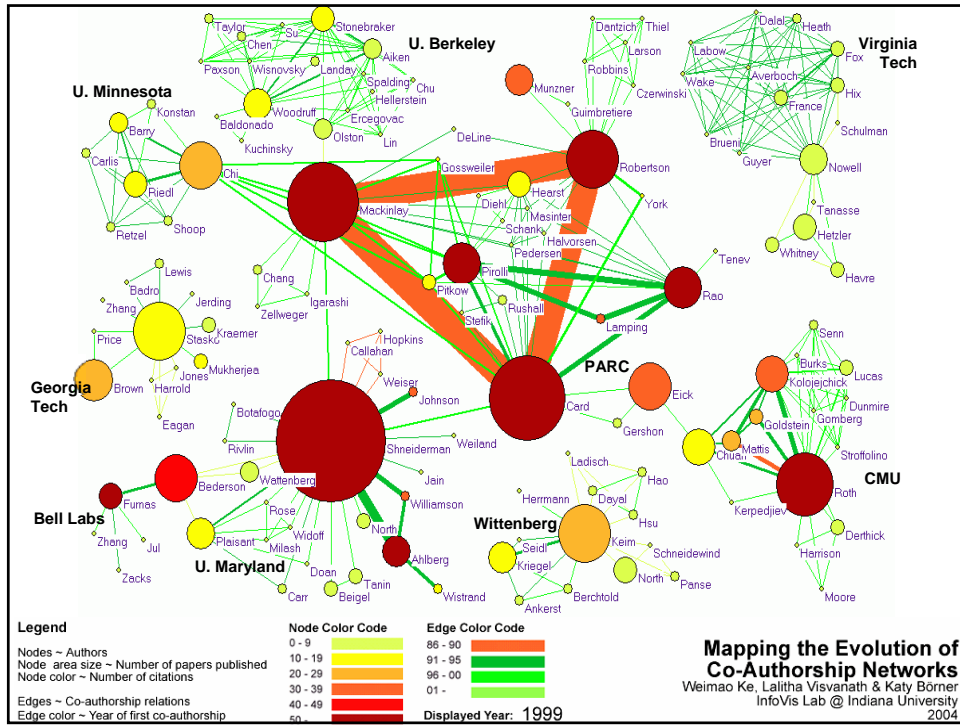


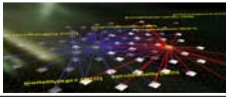













1. Motivation for Mapping Knowledge Domains / Computational Scientometrics

Knowledge domain visualizations help answer questions such as:


- What are the major research areas, experts, institutions, regions, nations, grants, publications, journals in xx research?
- Which areas are most insular?
- What are the main connections for each area?
- What is the relative speed of areas?
- Which areas are the most dynamic/static?
- What new research areas are evolving?
- Impact of xx research on other fields?
- How does funding influence the number and quality of publications?



Answers are needed by funding agencies, companies, and researchers.

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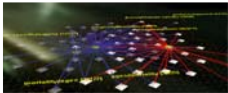
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User Groups

- **Students** can gain an overview of a particular knowledge domain, identify major research areas, experts, institutions, grants, publications, patents, citations, and journals as well as their interconnections, or see the influence of certain theories.
- **Researchers** can monitor and access research results, relevant funding opportunities, potential collaborators inside and outside the fields of inquiry, the dynamics (speed of growth, diversification) of scientific fields, and complementary capabilities.
- **Grant agencies/R&D managers** could use the maps to select reviewers or expert panels, to augment peer-review, to monitor (long-term) money flow and research developments, evaluate funding strategies for different programs, decisions on project durations, and funding patterns, but also to identify the impact of strategic and applied research funding programs.
- **Industry** can use the maps to access scientific results and knowledge carriers, to detect research frontiers, etc. Information on needed technologies could be incorporated into the maps, facilitating industry pulls for specific directions of research.
- **Data providers** benefit as the maps provide unique visual interfaces to digital libraries.
- Last but not least, the availability of dynamically evolving maps of science (as ubiquitous as daily weather forecast maps) would dramatically improve the communication of scientific results to the **general public**.

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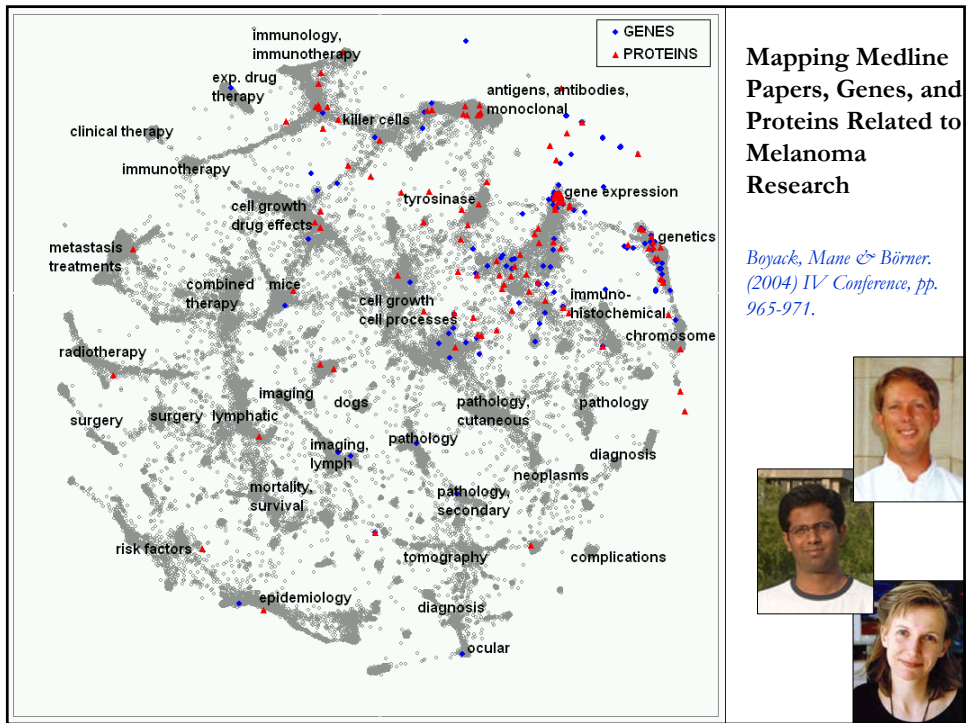
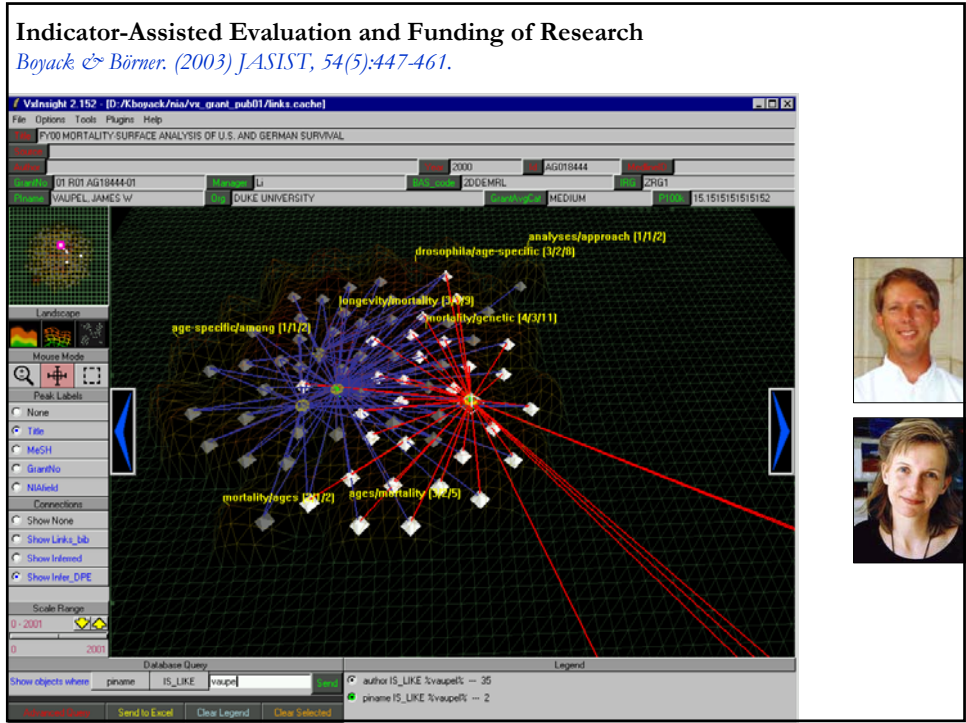


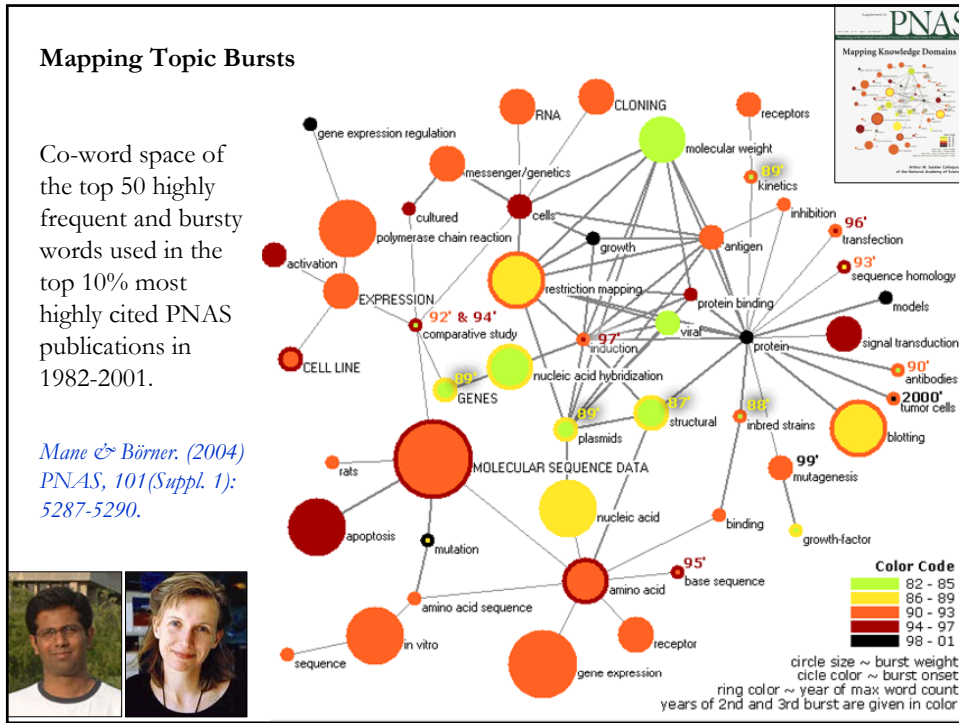
2. Mapping the Structure and Evolution of Knowledge Domains

DATA EXTRACTION	UNIT OF ANALYSIS	MEASURES	LAYOUT (often one code does both similarity and ordination steps)		DISPLAY
			SIMILARITY	ORDINATION	
SEARCHES ISI INSPEC Eng Index Medline ResearchIndex Patents etc.	COMMON CHOICES Journal Document Author Term	COUNTS/FREQUENCIES Attributes (e.g. terms) Author citations Co-citations By year THRESHOLDS By counts	SCALAR (unit by unit matrix) Direct citation Co-citation Combined linkage Co-word / co-term Co-classification VECTOR (unit by attribute matrix) Vector space model (words/terms) Latent Semantic Analysis (words/terms) ind. Singular Value Decomp (SVD) CORRELATION (if desired) Pearson's R on any of above	DIMENSIONALITY REDUCTION Eigenvector/ Eigenvalue solutions Factor Analysis (FA) and Principal Components Analysis (PCA) Multi-dimensional scaling (MDS) LSA, Topics Pathfinder networks (PFNet) Self-organizing maps (SOM) includes SOM, ET-maps, etc. CLUSTER ANALYSIS SCALAR Triangulation Force-directed placement (FDP)	INTERACTION Browse Pan Zoom Filter Query Detail on demand ANALYSIS
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Studying the Emerging Global Brain: Analyzing and Visualizing the Impact of Co-Authorship Teams

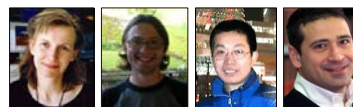
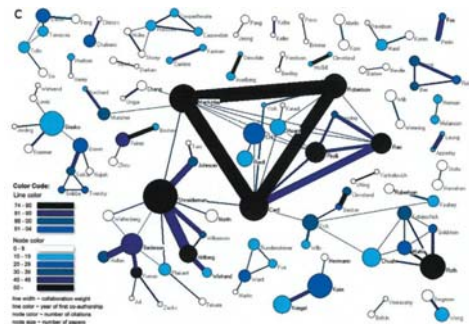
Börner, Dall'Asta, Ke & Vespignani (2005) Complexity, 10(4):58-67.

Research question:

- Is science driven by prolific single experts or by high-impact co-authorship teams?

Contributions:

- New approach to allocate citational credit.
- Novel weighted graph representation.
- Visualization of the growth of weighted co-author network.
- Centrality measures to identify author impact.
- Global statistical analysis of paper production and citations in correlation with co-authorship team size over time.
- Local, author-centered entropy measure.



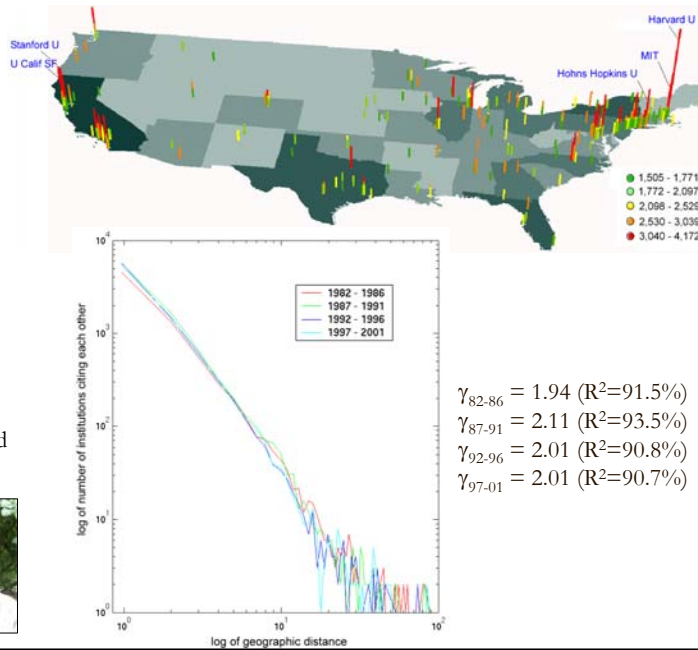
Spatio-Temporal Information Production and Consumption of Major U.S. Research Institutions

Börner & Penumarthy.
(2005) *Scientometrics*
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Does Internet lead to more global citation patterns, i.e., more citation links between papers produced at geographically distant research institutions?

Analysis of top 500 most highly cited U.S. institutions.

Each institution is assumed to produce and consume information.



Mapping all of Sciences

(in English speaking domain, based on available data)

Subsequent slides are based on

- Boyack, K.W., Klavans, R., & Börner, K. (2005, in press). *Mapping the backbone of science. Scientometrics.*

Comparing different similarity measures

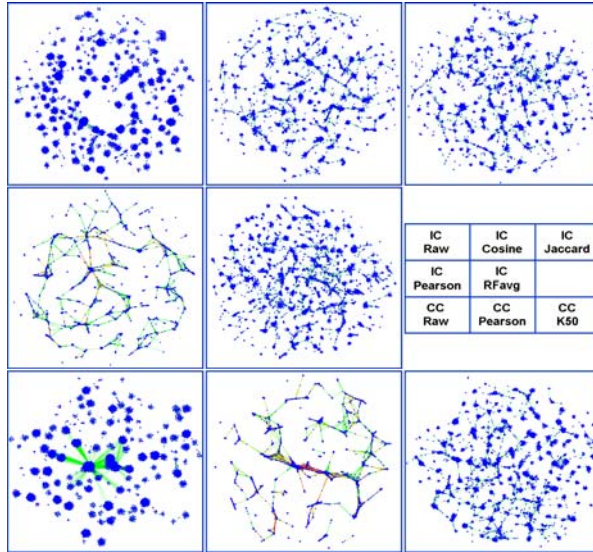
ISI file year 2000, SCI and SSCI:
7,121 journals.

Ten different similarity metrics

- 6 Inter-citation (raw counts, cosine, modified cosine, Jaccard, RF, Pearson)
- 4 Co-citation (raw counts, cosine, modified cosine, Pearson)

Maps were compared based on

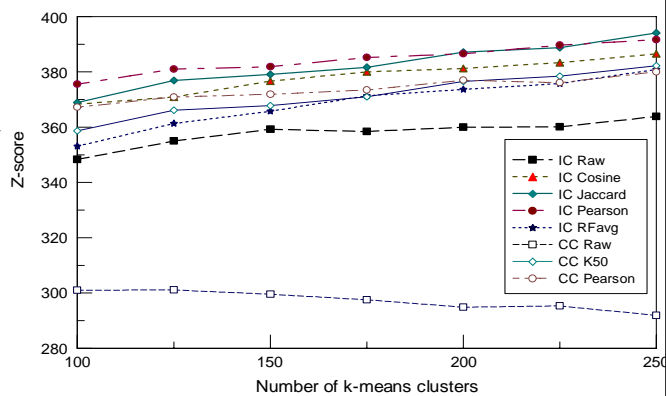
- regional accuracy,
- the scalability of the similarity algorithm, and
- the readability of the layouts.



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Selecting the similarity measure with the best regional accuracy

- For each similarity measure, the VxOrd layout was subjected to k-means clustering using different numbers of clusters.
- Resulting cluster/category memberships were compared to actual category memberships using entropy/mutual information method by Gibbons & Roth, 2002.
- Increasing Z-score indicates increasing distance from a random solution.
- Most similarity measures are within several percent of each other.



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A map of all science & social science

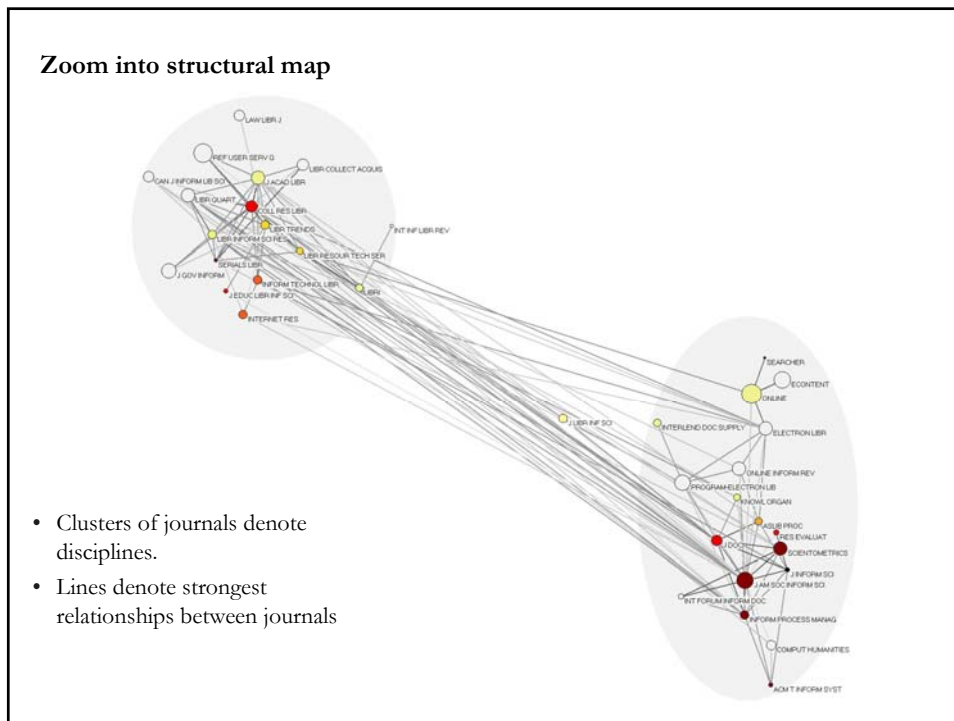
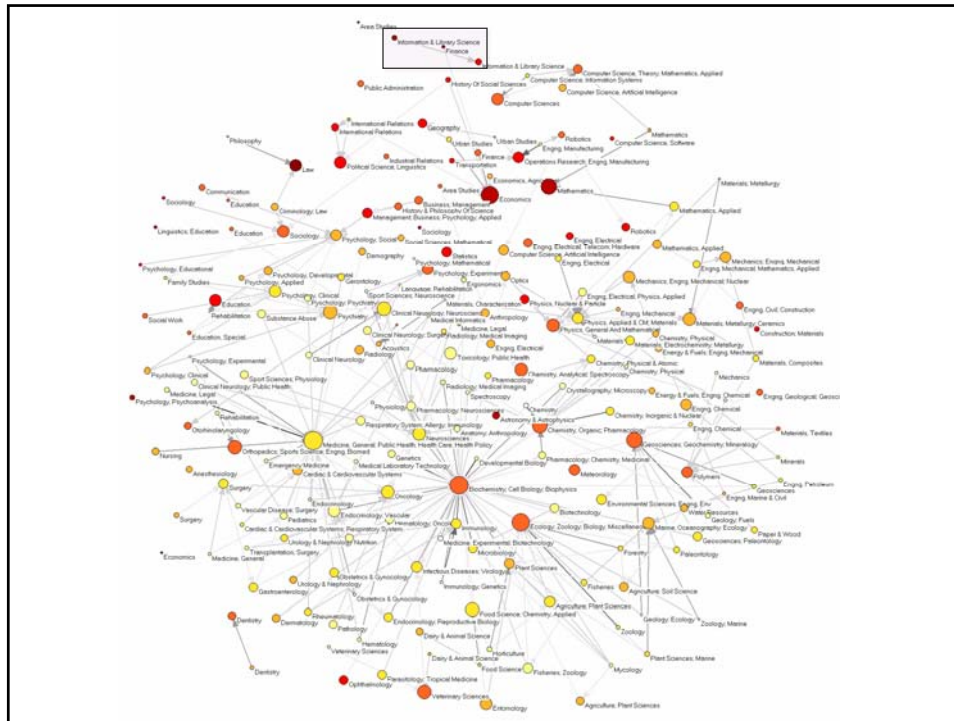
- The map is comprised of 7,121 journals from year 2000.
- Each dot is one journal
- An *IC-Jaccard* similarity measure was used.
- Journals group by discipline
- Groups are labeled by hand
- Large font size labels identify major areas of science.
- Small labels denote the disciplinary topics of nearby large clusters of journals.

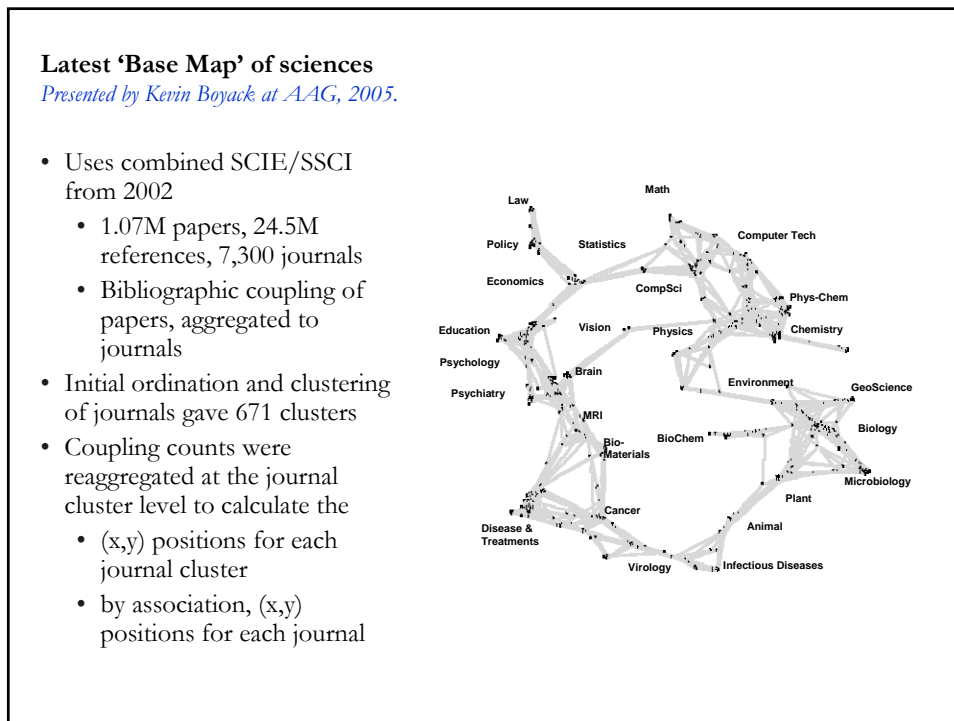
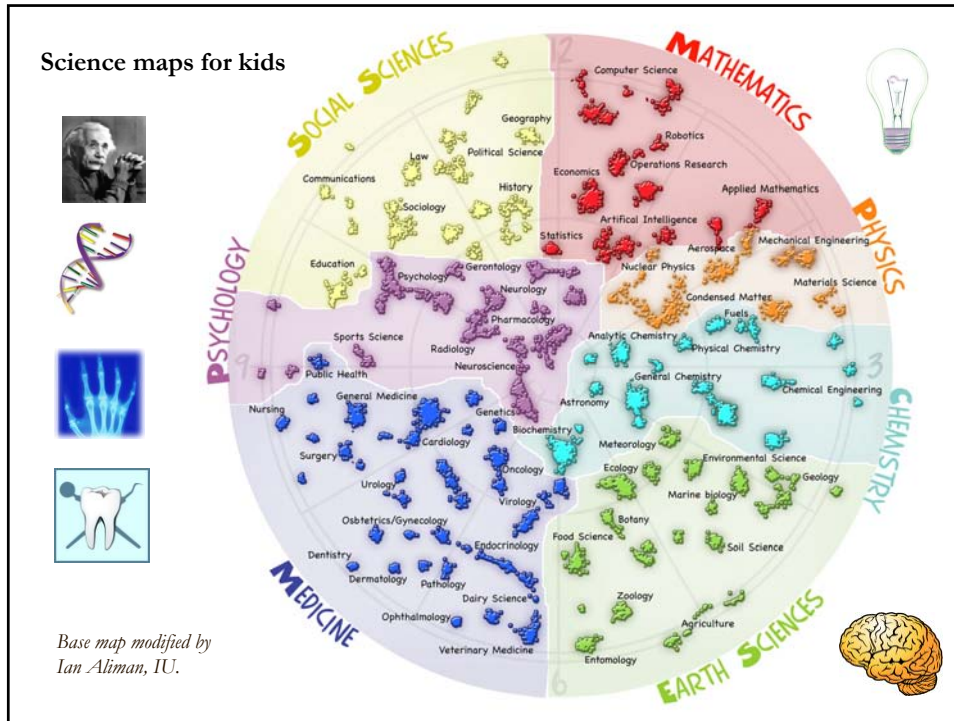


Structural map: Studying disciplinary diffusion

- The 212 nodes represent clusters of journals for different disciplines.
- Nodes are labeled with their dominant ISI category name.
- Circle sizes (area) denote the number of journals in each cluster.
- Circle color depicts the independence of each cluster, with darker colors depicting greater independence.
- Lines denote strongest relationships between disciplines (citing cluster gives more than 7.5% of its total citations to the cited cluster).

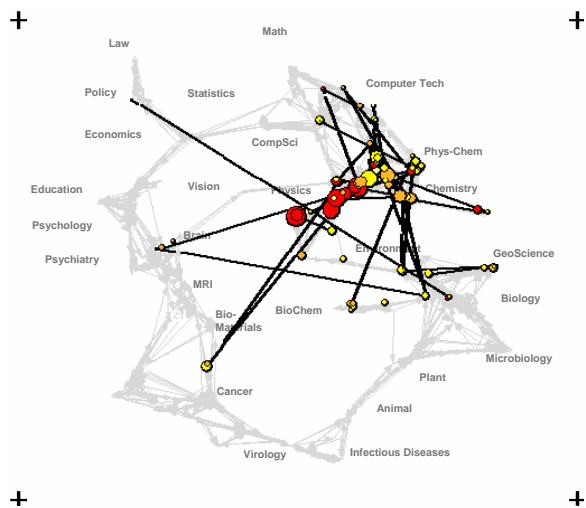






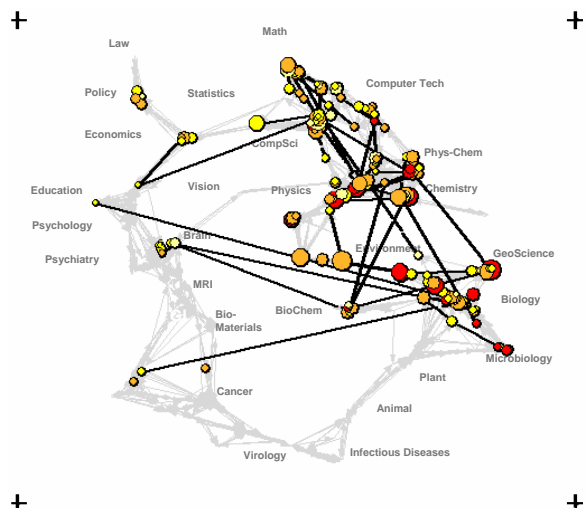
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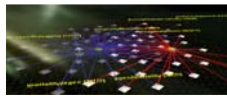
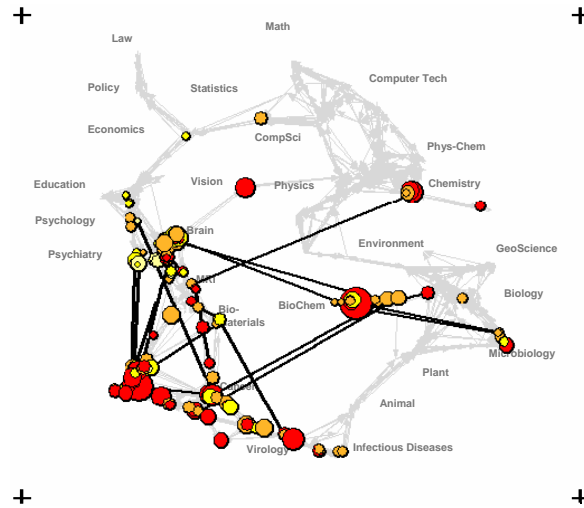
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InfoVis Cyberinfrastructure at IUB

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Information Visualization CyberInfrastructure

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DATABASES

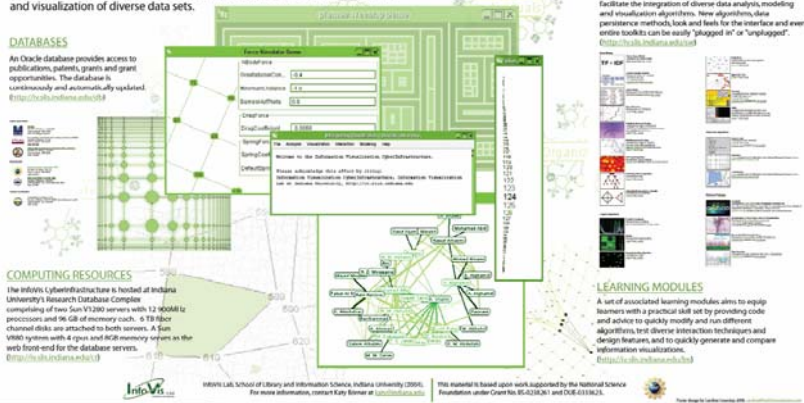
An Oracle database provides access to publications, patents, grants and grant opportunities. The database is continuously and automatically updated. (<http://iv.slis.indiana.edu/>)

SOFTWARE

An open source R/C framework was designed to facilitate the integration of diverse data analysis, modeling and visualization algorithms. New algorithms, data persistence methods, look and feels for the interface and even entire toolkits can be easily "plugged in" or "unplugged". (<http://iv.slis.indiana.edu/>)

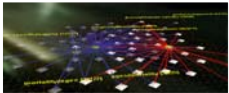
COMPUTING RESOURCES

The InfoVis Cyberinfrastructure is hosted at Indiana University's Research Database Complex, comprising of two Sun V1300 servers with 12 900MB L2 processors and 96 GB of memory each. 4 TB fiber channel disks are attached to both servers. A Sun VM60 system with 4 gpus and 8GB memory servers in the web front-end for the database servers. (<http://iv.slis.indiana.edu/>)



INFOVIS LAB, School of Library and Information Science, Indiana University (2006).
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places & spaces
Cartography of the Physical and the Abstract
An exhibition created for the conference "Mapping Humanity's Knowledge and Expertise in the Digital Domain" at the 2005 Meeting of the American Association of Geographers that is updated regularly with new maps and explanations.

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Exhibit Purpose and Goals

The Places & Spaces exhibit has been created to demonstrate the power of maps.

An initial theme of this exhibit is to compare and contrast first maps of our entire planet with the first maps of all of science as we know it.

Come see with your own eyes the extent to which maps can be employed to help make sense of the flood of information we are confronted with and how domain maps can be used to locate complex and beautiful information.

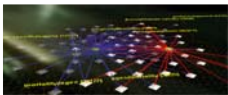
This online part of the exhibit provides links to a selected series of maps and their makers along with detailed explanations of why these maps work. The physical counterpart supports the close inspection of high quality reproductions for display at conferences and education centers. It is meant to inspire cross-disciplinary discussion on how to best track and communicate human activity and scientific progress on a global scale.

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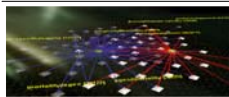
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