Altmetrics and Revolutions:

New Products, New Metrics, and the New Era of Web-native Scholarship.

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What you do matters so much.

Communication is the soul of science.

Ye Olde Letter

	The Letter
tech	pen and paper
products	letter
filters	personal

In 1665, the first revolution:

Oldenburg publishes Phil. Trans; applies the best available technology (printing press) to vastly improve dissemination.

A step forward: the journal

	The Letter	The Journal
tech	pen and paper	printing press
products	letter	article
filters	personal	peer-review

A second revolution is coming

	The Letter	The Journal	The DcJ
tech	pen and paper	printing press	the web
products	letter	article	everything
filters	personal	peer-review	altmetrics

But journals are already online!



Your revolution is over, sir!

"The Digital Publishing Revolution Is Over"

Online journals are paper journals delivered by faster horses.

The First Revolution promoted homogeneity of outputs.

The standardized article was born of the need for industrial-scale replication and interchangeability.

The Second Revolution will promote diversity of outputs.

With publication nearly free, it becomes trivial to capture the missing pieces of the scholarly record.

Instead of moving paper products faster, we can create web-native science.

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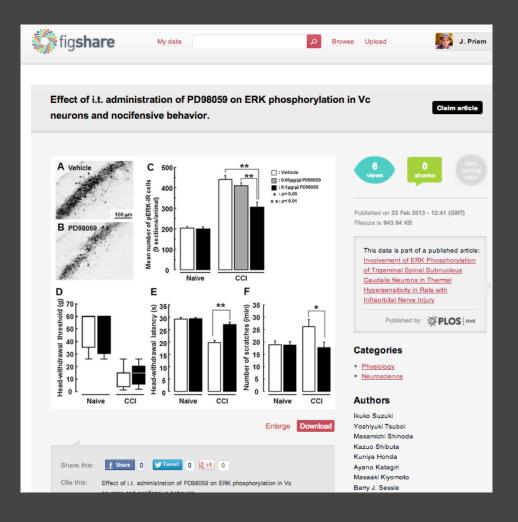
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conversation



Unanswered

How many proofs that $\pi_n(S^n) = \mathbb{Z}$ are there?



Offhand I can think of two ways in classical homotopy theory:

- 1. Show that $\pi_k(S^n) = 0$ for k < n by deforming a map $S^k \to S^n$ to be non-surjective, then contracting it away from a point not in its image. Now use the Hurewicz theorem to show $\pi_n(S^n) = H_n(S^n) = \mathbb{Z}$, which is easy to calculate with cellular homology.

2. Use the Freudenthal suspension theorem to induct up from $\pi_1(S^1) = \mathbb{Z}$, which you can prove using (say) the universal covering space $\mathbb{R} \to S^1$.

What other ways are there to prove $\pi_n(S^n) = \mathbb{Z}$?

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Ricardo Andrade

community wiki

- this should be community wiki Koushik Feb 8 at 0:43
 - A very silly option is: run an algorithm which given a simplicial decomposition of the sphere gives you the group. As algorithm exist, this is in principle viable :-) - Mariano Suárez-Alvarez Feb 8 at 2:39
- Am I allowed to say "countably many"? ;-) Andrej Bauer Feb 8 at 11:31
- @Tom: Is there a way to generalize that argument to n > 2? Mike Shulman Feb 8 at 16:31
- The deformation argument in (1) is superfluous. Just calculate π_1 and H_* from the cell decomposition. Then for simply connected spaces, Hurewicz shows that the minimum i > 0 for which $H_i \neq 0$ is the same as the minimum i > 0 for which $\pi_i \neq 0$, and that the groups coincide for this i. – unknown (google) Feb 9 at 21:53

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3. "aps2013dc" @jasonpriem



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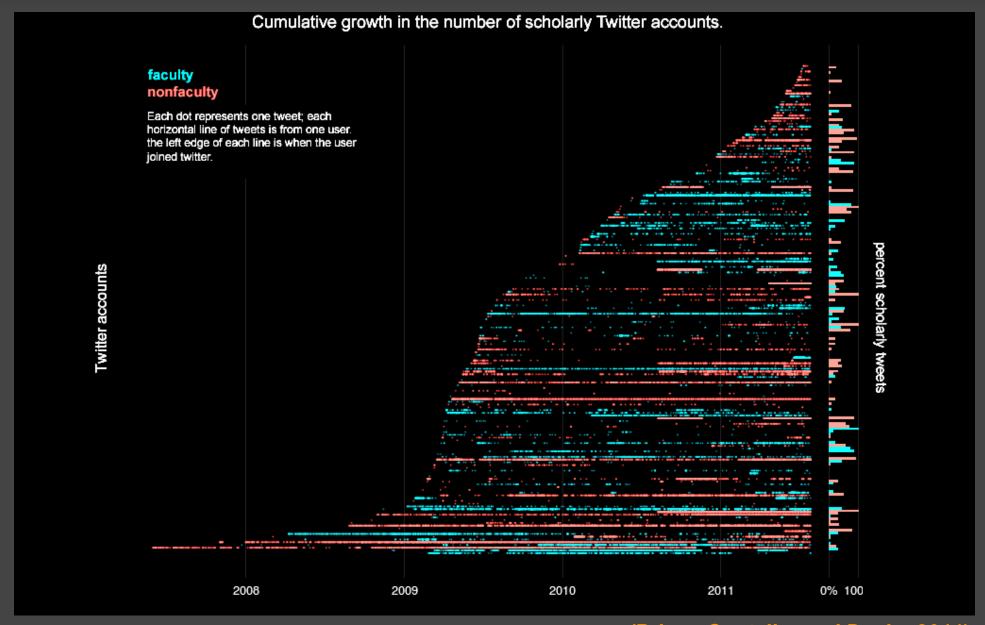
Examples: Twitter

In one month, over <u>58k citations</u> from Twitter to scholarly articles (citwaitions?)

It is like having a jury preselect what will probably interest you.... Occasionally there will be something that people will link to, and it will change what I think, or what I'm doing, or what I'm interested in.

-study participant (Priem and Costello, 2010)

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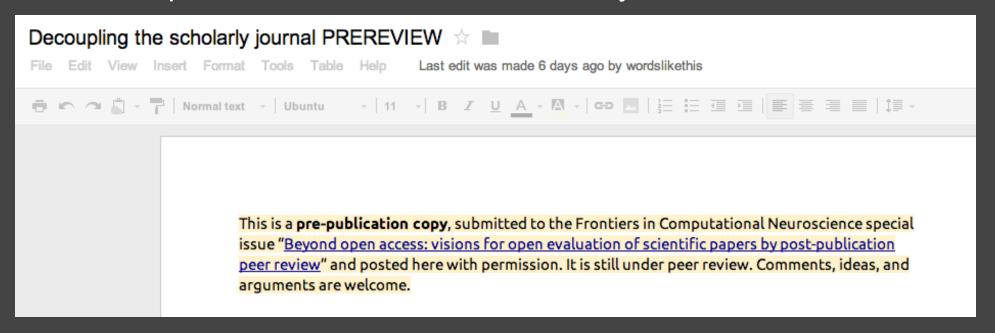
Web-native science means we can start making public, not merely "Publishing."

Here's my journal:



Here's how I publish:

The Decoupled Journal article: a case study.



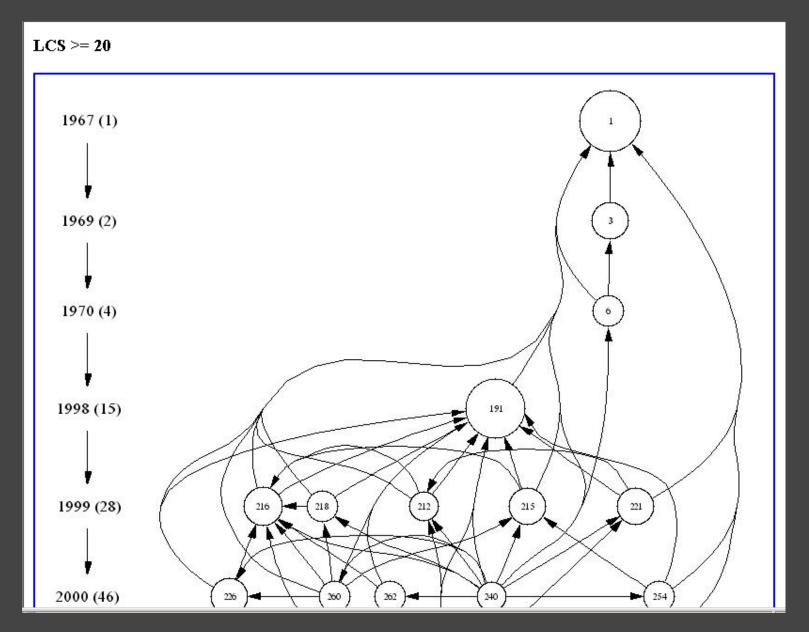
But how do we filter? How do we measure?

Don't turn off the taps,

Build boats.

The old way: countin' citations

And that's awesome!



But citations only tell part of the story

Spotting emerging research fronts will require tracking "formal and informal communication" (Kuhn, 1977)

Heart of scholarly communication is "visits, personal contacts, and letters." (Bernal, 1944)

"...there are undoubtedly highly useful journals that are not cited frequently."
(Garfield, 1972)

Impact has multiple dimensions:

Audience: scholars, public

Engagement type:

views, discussion, saves, citation, recommendation

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	scholarly	public
recommended		
cited		
discussed		
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Bibliometrics measures citation

	scholarly	public
recommended		
cited	traditional citatio n	
discussed		
saved		
scholarly		

Altmetrics measures impact:

	scholarly	public
recommended	faculty of 1000	popular press
cited	traditional citatio n	wikipedia
discussed	scholarly blogs	blogs, twitter
saved	mendeley, citeulike	delicious
scholarly	pdf views	html views

Bibliometrics mined impact on the first scholarly Web.

altmetrics mines impact on the next one.

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An open-source, nonprofit startup to gather and share altmetrics.

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Why altmetrics?

- Fairer evaluation.
- Faster evaluation.
- Etc, etc.
- Ultimately, most important: we can fundamentally change the way we filter research.

This changes the game. And the game needs to be changed.

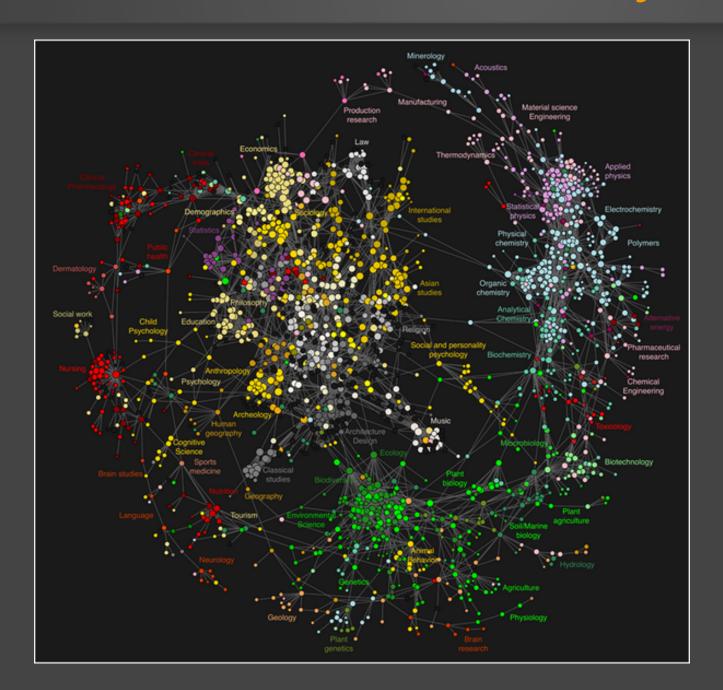
Today's journals are the best scholarly communication system possible using 17th-century technology.

We don't use the Web.

Berners-Lee created the Web as a scholarly communication tool.

Today the Web has revolutionized *everything* but scholarly communication.

The network is the key



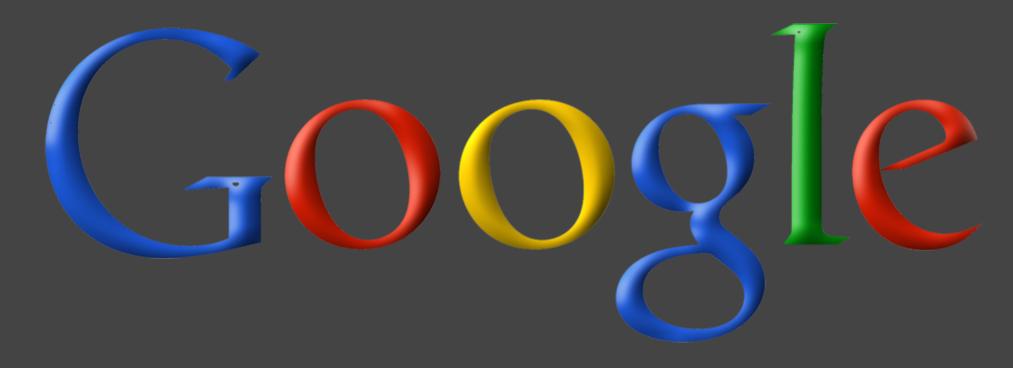
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At web scale, the value isn't in manual curation...



(ask these guys)

It's in mining the network

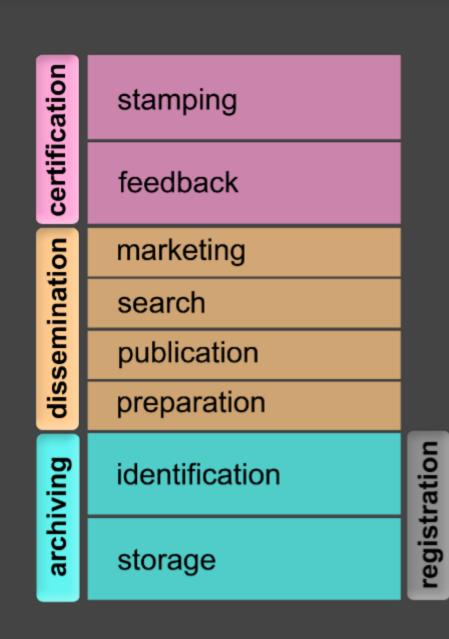


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What does the system do now?

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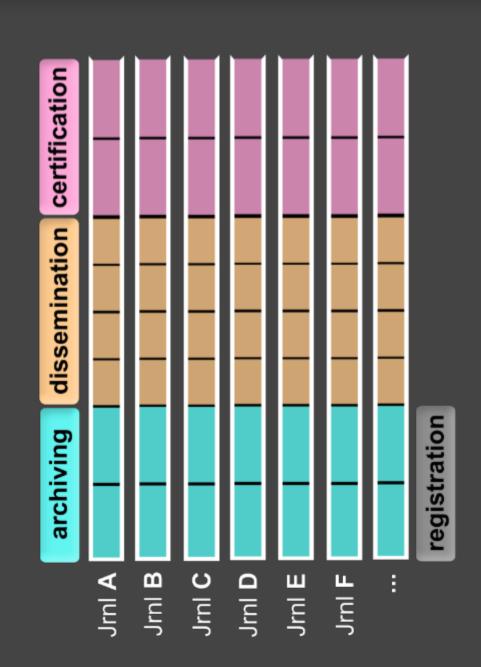
Journals have four "traditional functions."



How does this system work?

Every journal does every function itself. Each produces the same product. Little variety, little choice:

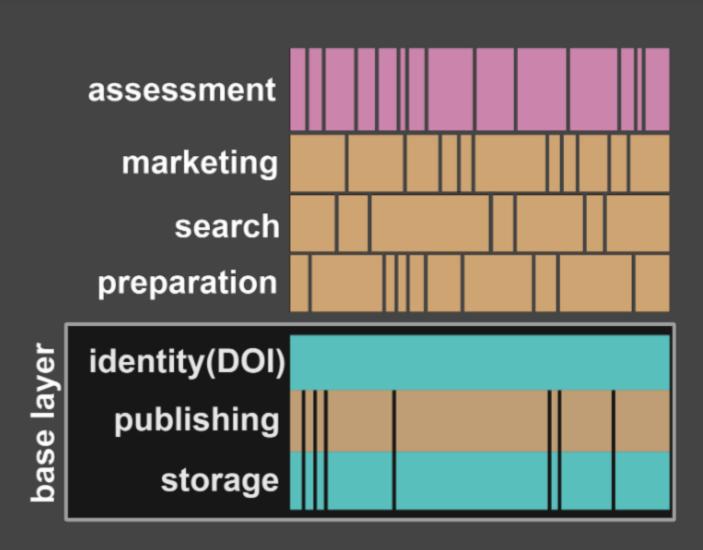
publishing as a fixed-price menu.



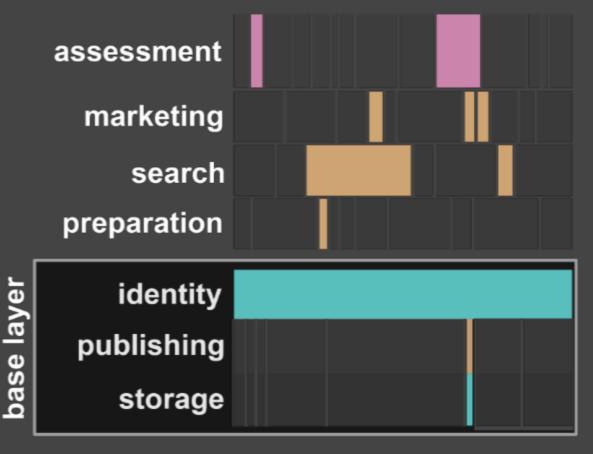
The decoupled journal (DcJ)

Functions are offered as individual services; authors pick which ones they want:

Publishing a la carte.



A DcJ example



Peer-review stamp + aggregated comments

Author's Twitter feed + mailing lists

Google + disciplinary search service

Typesetting

The product is stored and published from an institutional repository, and given a DOI as a unique ID.

The second revolution has started.

Once we have altmetric data, it's too useful to ignore; alternative filters and even certification paths based on this data will open.

As Peter Vinkler says, citation graph data is like Chekhov's gun: once on stage, it has to be fired.

A wise man, that Chekov.



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