Changing Characteristics of Innovation

Michael Park (park1892@umn.edu)
University of Minnesota Carlson School of Management
Russ Funk (University of Minnesota), Tom Gebhart (University of Minnesota),
Britta Glenon (Carnegie Mellon University), Julia Lane (New York University),
Erin Leahey (university of Arizona), Jina Lee (University of Arizona), Raviv
Murciano-Goroff (NYU), Matthew Ross (NYU)

Presentation overview

- Motivation
- Research Question
- CD Index
- Preliminary Results
- CADRE
- Q&A

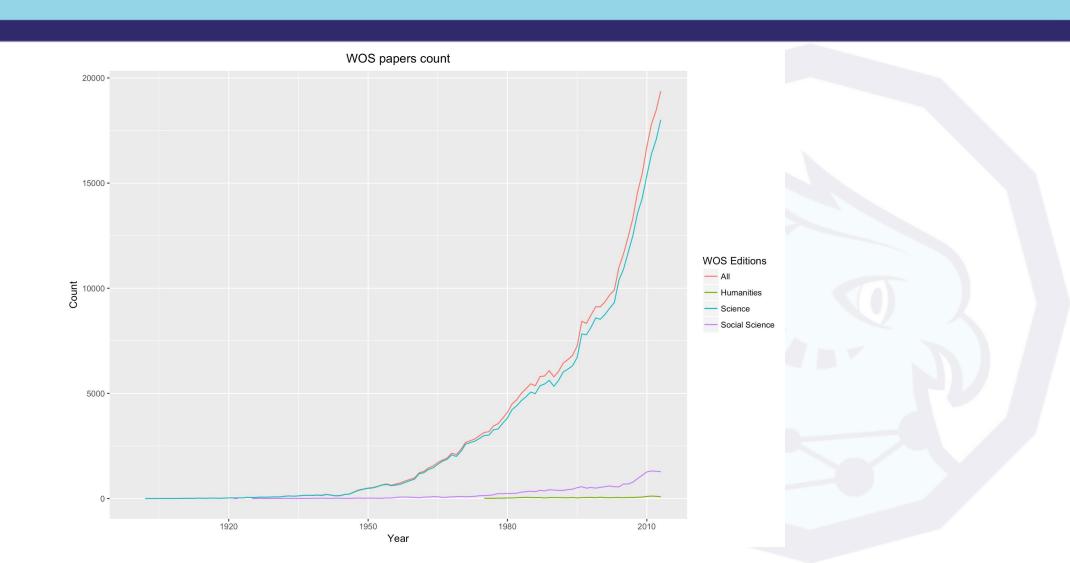
Motivation

 Past research has shown that innovation (scientific research) is becoming harder to do or do well (e.g.

Foster, Rzhetsky & Evans, 2015; Uzzi, Murkherjee, Stringer & Jones, 2013; Jones, 2009)



Research Question: Growth in Science



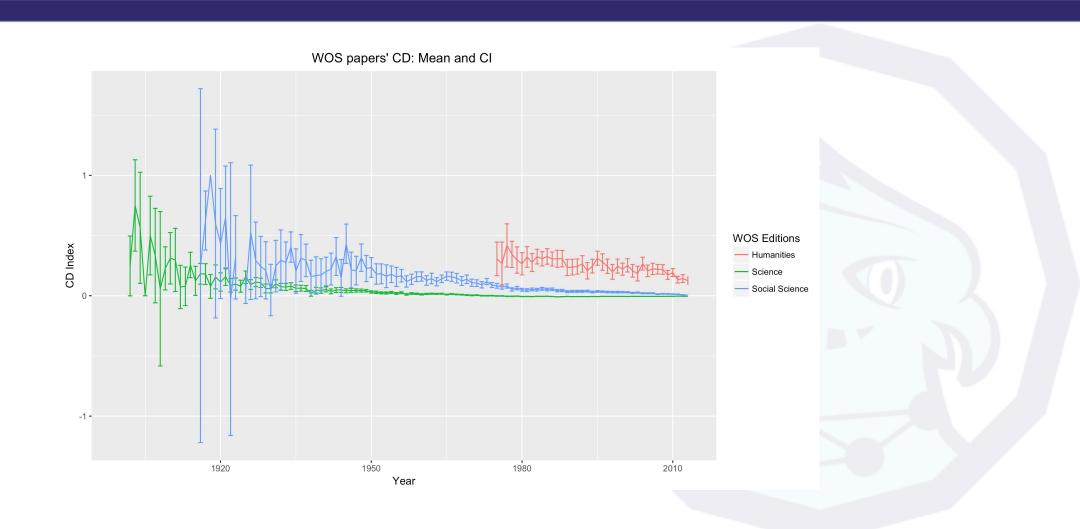
Research Question: Growth in Science

Is innovation getting harder or is innovation changing in nature?

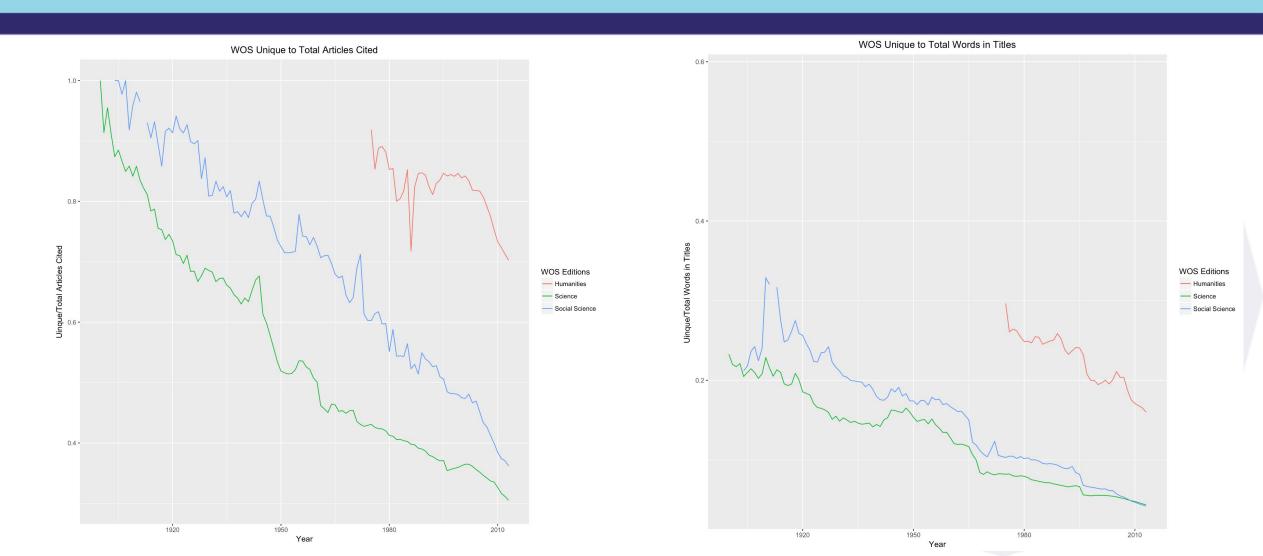
CD Index (Funk & Owen-Smith, 2016, Management Science)

- Bibliometric measure that distinguishes:
 - Consolidating innovations (-1< CD < 0)
 - Destabilizing innovations (0 < CD < 1)
- Apply to SciSci context and explore the changing nature of science

Preliminary Results



Preliminary Results



CADRE

- Convenient access to WOS database (HPC cluster, Spark, Hadoop)
- Research asset commons:
 - Author name-disambiguation
 - CD index computation
- Textual data from papers' abstracts and titles in MAG

Questions?

Changing Characteristics of Innovation