Apsis - Document Review Platform

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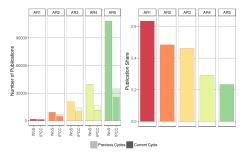


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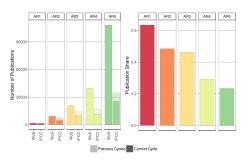


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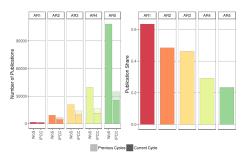


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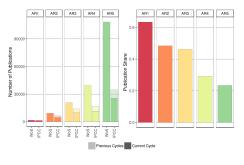
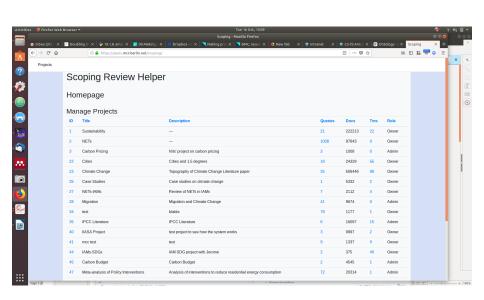


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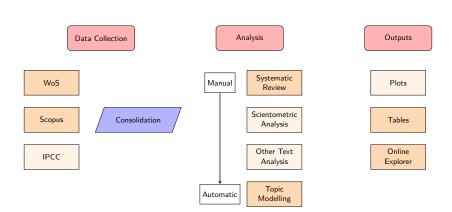
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- We need more research on research results
- We need ways of engaging with large amounts of text





Infrastructure Overview







For our systematic review of NETs, we wanted to be as systematic in our search, selection and treatment of literature as possible. We developed a system to help us

- To search and download (bulk) metadata from Web of Science (WoS) and Scopus
- To combine, compare and manage these queries and the documents associated with them
- To manage (centrally) the screening of documents by internal and external collaborators
- To run analysis based on user-entered tagging of documents and metadata from the WoS/Scopus

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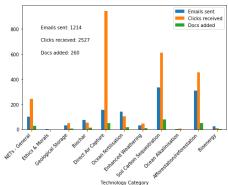




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We used the results to automatically email all authors of relevant documents







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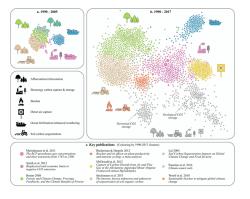


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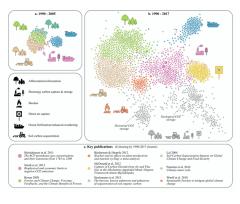


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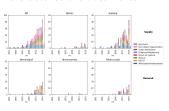


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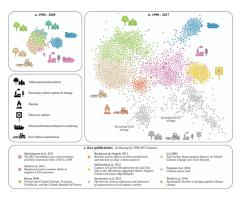


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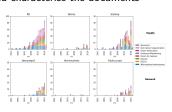
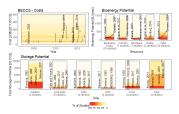


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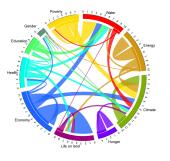
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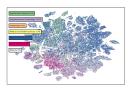
Other projects



IAMs & SDGs with IIASA



My PhD work + additional APSIS projects



Other MCC projects

- Various systematic review / meta-analysis / topic modelling projects at MCC
- Discourse analysis with Governance group + parsing of parliamentary archives

 colleagues from IIASA now trialling tool

Website



https://apsis.mcc-berlin.net/scoping



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In development

This is lots of pieces of work tied together, written as a side-project to my PhD. I like improving it, and adding more features, but it sometimes breaks or changes

Features

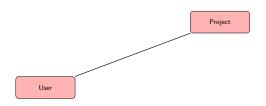


- Managing queries
- Screening/tagging documents across author teams
- Comparison of coder ratings
- Topic modelling

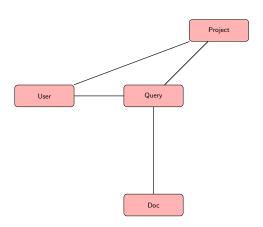


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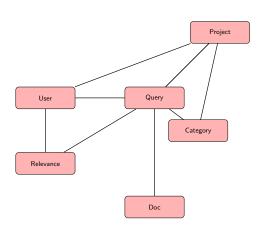




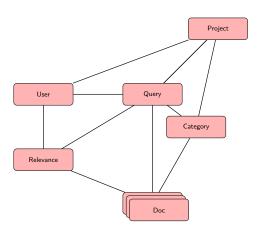




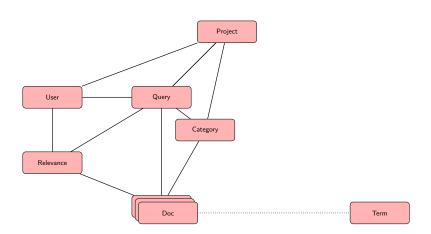




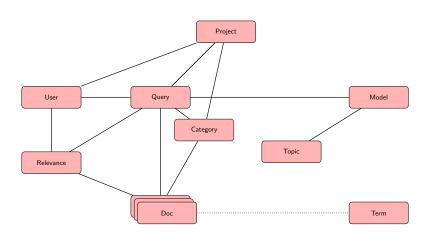




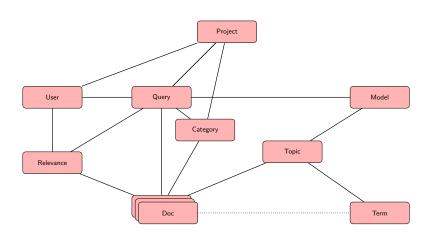






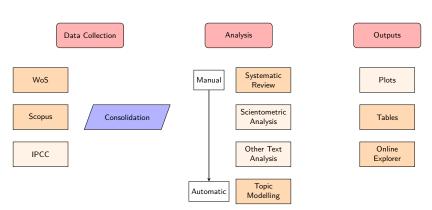






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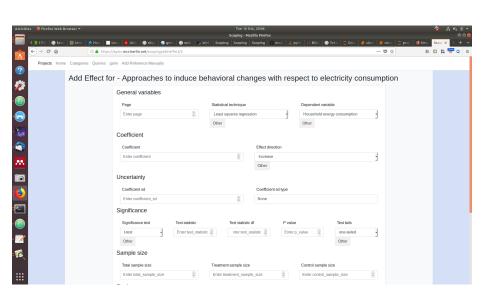


Future plans:

- collecting and synthesizing data within the platform
- using machine learning to predict relevance
- packaging and publishing tool for wider use

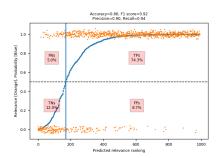
Data extraction - meta-analysis





Machine learning





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Code: https://github.com/mcallaghan/tmv (You can raise "issues" there)

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