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bibliometrix-package Comprehensive Science Mapping Analysis

### **Description**

Tool for quantitative research in scientometrics and bibliometrics. It implements the comprehensive workflow for science mapping analysis proposed in Aria M. and Cuccurullo C. (2017) <doi:10.1016/j.joi.2017.08.007>. 'bibliometrix' provides various routines for importing bibliographic data from 'SCOPUS', 'Clarivate Analytics Web of Science' (<a href="https://www.webofknowledge.com/">https://www.webofknowledge.com/</a>), 'Digital Science Dimensions' (<a href="https://www.dimensions.ai/">https://www.dimensions.ai/</a>), 'OpenAlex' (<a href="https://openalex.org/">https://openalex.org/</a>), 'Cochrane Library' (<a href="https://www.cochranelibrary.com/">https://www.cochranelibrary.com/</a>), 'Lens' (<a href="https://lens.org">https://lens.org</a>), and 'PubMed' (<a href="https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/">https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/</a>) databases, performing bibliometric analysis and building networks for co-citation, coupling, scientific collaboration and co-word analysis.

# **Details**

# INSTALLATION

- Stable version from CRAN:

install.packages("bibliometrix")

- Or development version from GitHub:

install.packages("devtools") devtools::install\_github("massimoaria/bibliometrix")

- Load "bibliometrix"

library('bibliometrix')

# DATA LOADING AND CONVERTING

The export file can be imported and converted by R using the function \*convert2df\*:

file <- ("https://www.bibliometrix.org/datasets/savedrecs.txt")

M <- convert2df(file, dbsource = "wos", format = "bibtex")

\*convert2df\* creates a bibliographic data frame with cases corresponding to manuscripts and variables to Field Tag in the original export file. Each manuscript contains several elements, such as authors' names, title, keywords and other information. All these elements constitute the bibliographic attributes of a document, also called metadata. Data frame columns are named using the standard Clarivate Analytics WoS Field Tag codify.

#### BIBLIOMETRIC ANALYSIS

The first step is to perform a descriptive analysis of the bibliographic data frame. The function \*biblioAnalysis\* calculates main bibliometric measures using this syntax:

results <- biblioAnalysis(M, sep = ";")

The function \*biblioAnalysis\* returns an object of class "bibliometrix".

To summarize main results of the bibliometric analysis, use the generic function \*summary\*. It displays main information about the bibliographic data frame and several tables, such as annual scientific production, top manuscripts per number of citations, most productive authors, most productive countries, total citation per country, most relevant sources (journals) and most relevant keywords. \*summary\* accepts two additional arguments. \*k\* is a formatting value that indicates the number of rows of each table. \*pause\* is a logical value (TRUE or FALSE) used to allow (or not) pause in screen scrolling. Choosing k=10 you decide to see the first 10 Authors, the first 10 sources, etc.

 $S \leftarrow summary(object = results, k = 10, pause = FALSE)$ 

Some basic plots can be drawn using the generic function plot:

plot(x = results, k = 10, pause = FALSE)

#### BIBLIOGRAPHIC NETWORK MATRICES

Manuscript's attributes are connected to each other through the manuscript itself: author(s) to journal, keywords to publication date, etc. These connections of different attributes generate bipartite networks that can be represented as rectangular matrices (Manuscripts x Attributes). Furthermore, scientific publications regularly contain references to other scientific works. This generates a further network, namely, co-citation or coupling network. These networks are analyzed in order to capture meaningful properties of the underlying research system, and in particular to determine the influence of bibliometric units such as scholars and journals.

### \*biblioNetwork\* function

The function \*biblioNetwork\* calculates, starting from a bibliographic data frame, the most frequently used networks: Coupling, Co-citation, Co-occurrences, and Collaboration. \*biblioNetwork\* uses two arguments to define the network to compute: - \*analysis\* argument can be "co-citation", "coupling", "collaboration", or "co-occurrences". - \*network\* argument can be "authors", "references", "sources", "countries", "universities", "keywords", "author\_keywords", "titles" and "abstracts".

i.e. the following code calculates a classical co-citation network:

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NetMatrix <- biblioNetwork(M, analysis = "co-citation", network = "references", sep = ";")

# VISUALIZING BIBLIOGRAPHIC NETWORKS

All bibliographic networks can be graphically visualized or modeled. Using the function \*network-Plot\*, you can plot a network created by \*biblioNetwork\* using R routines.

The main argument of \*networkPlot\* is type. It indicates the network map layout: circle, kamada-kawai, mds, etc.

In the following, we propose some examples.

### Country Scientific Collaboration

# Create a country collaboration network

M <- metaTagExtraction(M, Field = "AU CO", sep = ";")

NetMatrix <- biblioNetwork(M, analysis = "collaboration", network = "countries", sep = ";")

# Plot the network

net=networkPlot(NetMatrix, n = dim(NetMatrix)[1], Title = "Country Collaboration", type = "circle", size=TRUE, remove.multiple=FALSE,labelsize=0.8)

### Co-Citation Network

# Create a co-citation network

NetMatrix <- biblioNetwork(M, analysis = "co-citation", network = "references", sep = ";")

# Plot the network

net=networkPlot(NetMatrix, n = 30, Title = "Co-Citation Network", type = "fruchterman", size=T, remove.multiple=FALSE, labelsize=0.7,edgesize = 5)

### Keyword co-occurrences

# Create keyword co-occurrences network

NetMatrix <- biblioNetwork(M, analysis = "co-occurrences", network = "keywords", sep = ";")

# Plot the network

net=networkPlot(NetMatrix, normalize="association", weighted=T, n = 30, Title = "Keyword Cooccurrences", type = "fruchterman", size=T,edgesize = 5,labelsize=0.7)

### CO-WORD ANALYSIS: THE CONCEPTUAL STRUCTURE OF A FIELD

The aim of the co-word analysis is to map the conceptual structure of a framework using the word co-occurrences in a bibliographic collection. The analysis can be performed through dimensionality reduction techniques such as Multidimensional Scaling (MDS), Correspondence Analysis (CA) or Multiple Correspondence Analysis (MCA). Here, we show an example using the function \*conceptualStructure\* that performs a CA or MCA to draw a conceptual structure of the field and K-means clustering to identify clusters of documents which express common concepts. Results are plotted on a two-dimensional map. \*conceptualStructure\* includes natural language processing (NLP) routines (see the function \*termExtraction\*) to extract terms from titles and abstracts. In addition, it implements the Porter's stemming algorithm to reduce inflected (or sometimes derived) words to their word stem, base or root form.

# Conceptual Structure using keywords (method="MCA")

CS <- conceptualStructure(M,field="ID", method="MCA", minDegree=4, clust=4, k.max=8, stemming=FALSE, labelsize=10, documents=10)

HISTORICAL DIRECT CITATION NETWORK

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The historiographic map is a graph proposed by E. Garfield to represent a chronological network map of most relevant direct citations resulting from a bibliographic collection. The function histNetwork generates a chronological direct citation network matrix which can be plotted using \*histPlot\*:

# Create a historical citation network

histResults <- histNetwork(M, sep = ";")

# Plot a historical co-citation network

net <- histPlot(histResults, size = 10)

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Sarto, F., Cuccurullo, C., & Aria, M. (2014). Exploring healthcare governance literature: systematic review and paths for future research. \*Mecosan\* (https://www.francoangeli.it/Riviste/Scheda\_Rivista.aspx?IDarticolo=5278

Cuccurullo, C., Aria, M., & Sarto, F. (2013). Twenty years of research on performance management in business and public administration domains. In \*Academy of Management Proceedings\* (Vol. 2013, No. 1, p. 14270). Academy of Management (https://doi.org/10.5465/AMBPP.2013.14270abstract).

authorProdOverTime

Top-Authors' Productivity over Time

#### **Description**

It calculates and plots the author production (in terms of number of publications) over the time.

### Usage

```
authorProdOverTime(M, k = 10, graph = TRUE)
```

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# **Arguments**

M is a bibliographic data frame obtained by convert2df function.

k is a integer. It is the number of top authors to analyze and plot. Default is k =

10.

graph is logical. If TRUE the function plots the author production over time graph.

Default is graph = TRUE.

#### Value

The function authorProdOverTime returns a list containing two objects:

dfAU is a data frame dfpapersAU is a data frame graph a ggplot object

### See Also

```
biblioAnalysis function for bibliometric analysis summary method for class 'bibliometrix'
```

### **Examples**

```
data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")
res <- authorProdOverTime(scientometrics, k = 10)
print(res$dfAU)
plot(res$graph)</pre>
```

biblioAnalysis

Bibliometric Analysis

# **Description**

It performs a bibliometric analysis of a dataset imported from SCOPUS and Clarivate Analytics Web of Science databases.

# Usage

```
biblioAnalysis(M, sep = ";")
```

#### **Arguments**

M is a bibliographic data frame obtained by the converting function convert2df.

It is a data matrix with cases corresponding to manuscripts and variables to Field

Tag in the original SCOPUS and Clarivate Analytics Web of Science file.

sep is the field separator character. This character separates strings in each column

of the data frame. The default is sep = ";".

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#### Value

biblioAnalysis returns an object of class "bibliometrix".

The functions summary and plot are used to obtain or print a summary and some useful plots of the results.

An object of class "bibliometrix" is a list containing the following components:

Articles the total number of manuscripts
Authors the authors' frequency distribution

AuthorsFrac the authors' frequency distribution (fractionalized)

FirstAuthors corresponding author of each manuscript nAUperPaper the number of authors per manuscript Appearances the number of author appearances

nAuthors the number of authors

AuMultiAuthoredArt the number of authors of multi-authored articles
MostCitedPapers the list of manuscripts sorted by citations
Years publication year of each manuscript
FirstAffiliation the affiliation of the first author

Affiliations the frequency distribution of affiliations (of all co-authors for each paper)

Aff\_frac the fractionalized frequency distribution of affiliations (of all co-authors for each paper)

CO the affiliation country of the first author
Countries the affiliation countries' frequency distribution

CountryCollaboration Intra-country (SCP) and intercountry (MCP) collaboration indices

TotalCitation the number of times each manuscript has been cited

TCperYear the yearly average number of times each manuscript has been cited

Sources the frequency distribution of sources (journals, books, etc.)

DE the frequency distribution of authors' keywords

ID the frequency distribution of keywords associated to the manuscript by SCOPUS and Clarivate An

### See Also

convert2df to import and convert an WoS or SCOPUS Export file in a bibliographic data frame.

summary to obtain a summary of the results.

plot to draw some useful plots of the results.

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
data(management, package = "bibliometrixData")
results <- biblioAnalysis(management)
summary(results, k = 10, pause = FALSE)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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biblioNetwork	Creating Bibliographic networks

# **Description**

biblioNetwork creates different bibliographic networks from a bibliographic data frame.

# Usage

```
biblioNetwork(
   M,
   analysis = "coupling",
   network = "authors",
   n = NULL,
   sep = ";",
   short = FALSE,
   shortlabel = TRUE,
   remove.terms = NULL,
   synonyms = NULL
)
```

# **Arguments**

remove.terms

synonyms

guments	
М	is a bibliographic data frame obtained by the converting function convert2df. It is a data matrix with cases corresponding to manuscripts and variables to Field Tag in the original SCOPUS and Clarivate Analytics WoS file.
analysis	is a character object. It indicates the type of analysis can be performed. analysis argument can be "collaboration", "coupling", "co-occurrences" or "co-citation". Default is analysis = "coupling".
network	is a character object. It indicates the network typology. The network argument can be "authors", "references", "sources", "countries", "keywords", "author_keywords", "all_k"titles", or "abstracts". Default is network = "authors".
n	is an integer. It indicates the number of items to select. If N = NULL, all items are selected.
sep	is the field separator character. This character separates strings in each column of the data frame. The default is sep = ";".
short	is a logical. If TRUE all items with frequency<2 are deleted to reduce the matrix size.
shortlabel	is logical. IF TRUE, reference labels are stored in a short format. Default is shortlabel=TRUE.

is a character vector. It contains a list of additional terms to delete from the documents before term extraction. The default is remove.terms = NULL.

is a character vector. Each element contains a list of synonyms, separated by

";", that will be merged into a single term (the first word contained in the vector

element). The default is synonyms = NULL.

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#### **Details**

The function biblioNetwork can create a collection of bibliographic networks following the approach proposed by Batagelj & Cerinsek (2013) and Aria & cuccurullo (2017).

Typical networks output of biblioNetwork are:

### #### Collaboration Networks ###########

- Authors collaboration (analysis = "collaboration", network = "authors")
- University collaboration (analysis = "collaboration", network = universities")
- Country collaboration (analysis = "collaboration", network = "countries")

### #### Co-citation Networks #############

- Authors co-citation (analysis = "co-citation", network = "authors")
- Reference co-citation (analysis = "co-citation", network = "references")
- Source co-citation (analysis = "co-citation", network = "sources")

#### #### Coupling Networks ###############

- Manuscript coupling (analysis = "coupling", network = "references")
- Authors coupling (analysis = "coupling", network = "authors")
- Source coupling (analysis = "coupling", network = "sources")
- Country coupling (analysis = "coupling", network = "countries")

#### #### Co-occurrences Networks ################

- Authors co-occurrences (analysis = "co-occurrences", network = "authors")
- Source co-occurrences (analysis = "co-occurrences", network = "sources")
- Keyword co-occurrences (analysis = "co-occurrences", network = "keywords")
- Author-Keyword co-occurrences (analysis = "co-occurrences", network = "author\_keywords")
- Title content co-occurrences (analysis = "co-occurrences", network = "titles")
- Abstract content co-occurrences (analysis = "co-occurrences", network = "abstracts")

### References:

Batagelj, V., & Cerinsek, M. (2013). On bibliographic networks. Scientometrics, 96(3), 845-864. Aria, M., & Cuccurullo, C. (2017). bibliometrix: An R-tool for comprehensive science mapping analysis. Journal of Informetrics, 11(4), 959-975.

#### Value

It is a squared network matrix. It is an object of class dgMatrix of the package Matrix.

#### See Also

convert2df to import and convert a SCOPUS and Thomson Reuters' ISI Web of Knowledge export file in a data frame.

cocMatrix to compute a co-occurrence matrix.

biblioAnalysis to perform a bibliometric analysis.

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### **Examples**

```
# EXAMPLE 1: Authors collaboration network
# data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")
# NetMatrix <- biblioNetwork(scientometrics, analysis = "collaboration",
# network = "authors", sep = ";")
# net <- networkPlot(NetMatrix, n = 30, type = "kamada", Title = "Collaboration",labelsize=0.5)
# EXAMPLE 2: Co-citation network
data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")
NetMatrix <- biblioNetwork(scientometrics, analysis = "co-citation", network = "references", sep = ";"
)
net <- networkPlot(NetMatrix, n = 30, type = "kamada", Title = "Co-Citation", labelsize = 0.5)</pre>
```

biblioshiny

Shiny UI for bibliometrix package

# **Description**

biblioshiny performs science mapping analysis using the main functions of the bibliometrix package.

#### Usage

```
biblioshiny(
  host = "127.0.0.1",
  port = NULL,
  launch.browser = TRUE,
  maxUploadSize = 200
)
```

# **Arguments**

host

The IPv4 address that the application should listen on. Defaults to the shiny.host option, if set, or "127.0.0.1" if not.

port

is the TCP port that the application should listen on. If the port is not specified, and the shiny.port option is set (with options(shiny.port = XX)), then that port will be used. Otherwise, use a random port.

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launch.browser If true, the system's default web browser will be launched automatically after

the app is started. Defaults to true in interactive sessions only. This value of this

parameter can also be a function to call with the application's URL.

maxUploadSize is a integer. The max upload file size argument. Default value is 200 (megabyte)

# **Examples**

# biblioshiny()

bibtag

Tag list and bibtex fields.

# **Description**

Data frame containing a list of tags and corresponding: WoS, SCOPUS and generic bibtex fields; and Dimensions.ai csv and xlsx fields.

### **Format**

A data frame with 44 rows and 6 variables:

TAG Tag Fields

SCOPUS Scopus bibtex fields

ISI WOS/ISI bibtex fields

**GENERIC** Generic bibtex fields

**DIMENSIONS\_OLD** DIMENSIONS cvs/xlsx old fields

**DIMENSIONS** DIMENSIONS cvs/xlsx fields

bradford

Bradford's law

# **Description**

It estimates and draws the Bradford's law source distribution.

### Usage

bradford(M)

### **Arguments**

М

is a bibliographic dataframe.

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### **Details**

Bradford's law is a pattern first described by (Samuel C. Bradford, 1934) that estimates the exponentially diminishing returns of searching for references in science journals.

One formulation is that if journals in a field are sorted by number of articles into three groups, each with about one-third of all articles, then the number of journals in each group will be proportional to 1:n:n2.

#### Reference:

Bradford, S. C. (1934). Sources of information on specific subjects. Engineering, 137, 85-86.

### Value

The function bradford returns a list containing the following objects:

```
table a dataframe with the source distribution partitioned in the three zones graph the source distribution plot in ggplot2 format
```

# See Also

```
biblioAnalysis function for bibliometric analysis
summary method for class 'bibliometrix'
```

### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
data(management, package = "bibliometrixData")
BR <- bradford(management)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

citations

Citation frequency distribution

# **Description**

It calculates frequency distribution of citations.

# Usage

```
citations(M, field = "article", sep = ";")
```

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### **Arguments**

It is a data matrix with cases corresponding to manuscripts and variables to Field
Tag in the original SCOPUS and Clarivate Analytics Web of Science file.

field is a character. It can be "article" or "author" to obtain frequency distribution of cited citations or cited authors (only first authors for WoS database) respectively.
The default is field = "article".

sep is the field separator character. This character separates citations in each string of CR column of the bibliographic data frame. The default is sep = ";".

### Value

an object of class "list" containing the following components:

Cited the most frequent cited manuscripts or authors
Year the publication year (only for cited article analysis)
Source the journal (only for cited article analysis)

#### See Also

biblioAnalysis function for bibliometric analysis. summary to obtain a summary of the results. plot to draw some useful plots of the results.

# **Examples**

```
## EXAMPLE 1: Cited articles

data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")

CR <- citations(scientometrics, field = "article", sep = ";")

CR$Cited[1:10]

CR$Year[1:10]

CR$Source[1:10]

## EXAMPLE 2: Cited first authors

data(scientometrics)

CR <- citations(scientometrics, field = "author", sep = ";")

CR$Cited[1:10]</pre>
```

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cocMatrix Bibliographic bipartite network matrices

# Description

cocMatrix computes occurrences between elements of a Tag Field from a bibliographic data frame. Manuscript is the unit of analysis.

# Usage

```
cocMatrix(
   M,
   Field = "AU",
   type = "sparse",
   n = NULL,
   sep = ";",
   binary = TRUE,
   short = FALSE,
   remove.terms = NULL,
   synonyms = NULL
)
```

#### **Arguments**

M is a data frame obtained by the converting function convert2df. It is a data matrix with cases corresponding to articles and variables to Field Tag in the

original WoS or SCOPUS file.

Field is a character object. It indicates one of the field tags of the standard ISI WoS

Field Tag codify. Field can be equal to one of these tags:

AU Authors
SO Publication Name (or Source)
JI ISO Source Abbreviation

DE Author Keywords

ID Keywords associated by WoS or SCOPUS database

KW\_Merged All Keywords (merged by DE and ID)

CR Cited References

for a complete list of filed tags see: Field Tags used in bibliometrix

type indicates the output format of co-occurrences:

```
type = "matrix" produces an object of class matrix
```

type = "sparse" produces an object of class dgMatrix of the package Matrix. "sparse" argument generates a compact in

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is an integer. It indicates the number of items to select. If N = NULL, all items are

	selected.
sep	is the field separator character. This character separates strings in each column of the data frame. The default is $sep = "$ ;".
binary	is a logical. If TRUE each cell contains a 0/1. if FALSE each cell contains the frequency.
short	is a logical. If TRUE all items with frequency<2 are deleted to reduce the matrix size.
remove.terms	is a character vector. It contains a list of additional terms to delete from the documents before term extraction. The default is remove.terms = NULL.
synonyms	is a character vector. Each element contains a list of synonyms, separated by ";", that will be merged into a single term (the first word contained in the vector element). The default is synonyms = NULL.

#### **Details**

n

This occurrence matrix represents a bipartite network which can be transformed into a collection of bibliographic networks such as coupling, co-citation, etc..

The function follows the approach proposed by Batagelj & Cerinsek (2013) and Aria & cuccurullo (2017).

#### References:

Batagelj, V., & Cerinsek, M. (2013). On bibliographic networks. Scientometrics, 96(3), 845-864. Aria, M., & Cuccurullo, C. (2017). bibliometrix: An R-tool for comprehensive science mapping analysis. Journal of Informetrics, 11(4), 959-975.

### Value

a bipartite network matrix with cases corresponding to manuscripts and variables to the objects extracted from the Tag Field.

#### See Also

convert2df to import and convert an ISI or SCOPUS Export file in a data frame. biblioAnalysis to perform a bibliometric analysis.

biblioNetwork to compute a bibliographic network.

### **Examples**

```
# EXAMPLE 1: Articles x Authors occurrence matrix

data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")
WA <- cocMatrix(scientometrics, Field = "AU", type = "sparse", sep = ";")
# EXAMPLE 2: Articles x Cited References occurrence matrix</pre>
```

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```
# data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")
# WCR <- cocMatrix(scientometrics, Field = "CR", type = "sparse", sep = ";")
# EXAMPLE 3: Articles x Cited First Authors occurrence matrix
# data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")
# scientometrics <- metaTagExtraction(scientometrics, Field = "CR_AU", sep = ";")
# WCR <- cocMatrix(scientometrics, Field = "CR_AU", type = "sparse", sep = ";")</pre>
```

collabByRegionPlot

Country Collaboration Networks by Region

# Description

A function to create and plot country collaboration networks by Region

# Usage

```
collabByRegionPlot(
  NetMatrix,
  normalize = NULL,
  n = NULL
  degree = NULL,
  type = "auto",
  label = TRUE,
  labelsize = 1,
  label.cex = FALSE,
  label.color = FALSE,
  label.n = Inf,
  halo = FALSE,
  cluster = "walktrap",
  community.repulsion = 0,
  vos.path = NULL,
  size = 3,
  size.cex = FALSE,
  curved = FALSE,
  noloops = TRUE,
  remove.multiple = TRUE,
  remove.isolates = FALSE,
  weighted = NULL,
  edgesize = 1,
  edges.min = 0,
  alpha = 0.5,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

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#### **Arguments**

NetMatrix is a country collaboration matrix obtained by the function biblioNetwork.

normalize is a character. It can be "association", "jaccard", "inclusion", "salton" or "equiva-

lence" to obtain Association Strength, Jaccard, Inclusion, Salton or Equivalence

similarity index respectively. The default is type = NULL.

n is an integer. It indicates the number of vertices to plot.

degree is an integer. It indicates the min frequency of a vertex. If degree is not NULL,

n is ignored.

type is a character object. It indicates the network map layout:

type="auto" Automatic layout selection

type="circle" Circle layout type="sphere" Sphere layout

type="mds" Multidimensional Scaling layout
type="fruchterman" Fruchterman-Reingold layout
type="kamada" Kamada-Kawai layout

label is logical. If TRUE vertex labels are plotted.

labelsize is an integer. It indicates the label size in the plot. Default is labelsize=1 label.cex is logical. If TRUE the label size of each vertex is proportional to its degree. label.color is logical. If TRUE, for each vertex, the label color is the same as its cluster.

label.n is an integer. It indicates the number of vertex labels to draw.

halo is logical. If TRUE communities are plotted using different colors. Default is

halo=FALSE

cluster is a character. It indicates the type of cluster to perform among ("none", "opti-

mal", "louvain", "leiden", "infomap", "edge\_betweenness", "walktrap", "spinglass",

"leading\_eigen", "fast\_greedy").

community.repulsion

is a real. It indicates the repulsion force among network communities. It is a

real number between 0 and 1. Default is community.repulsion = 0.1.

vos.path is a character indicating the full path where VOSviewer.jar is located.

size is integer. It defines the size of each vertex. Default is size=3.

size.cex is logical. If TRUE the size of each vertex is proportional to its degree.

curved is a logical or a number. If TRUE edges are plotted with an optimal curvature.

Default is curved=FALSE. Curved values are any numbers from 0 to 1.

noloops is logical. If TRUE loops in the network are deleted.

remove.multiple

is logical. If TRUE multiple links are plotted using just one edge.

remove.isolates

is logical. If TRUE isolates vertices are not plotted.

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weighted	This argument specifies whether to create a weighted graph from an adjacency matrix. If it is NULL then an unweighted graph is created and the elements of the adjacency matrix gives the number of edges between the vertices. If it is a character constant then for every non-zero matrix entry an edge is created and the value of the entry is added as an edge attribute named by the weighted argument. If it is TRUE then a weighted graph is created and the name of the edge attribute will be weight.
edgesize	is an integer. It indicates the network edge size.
edges.min	is an integer. It indicates the min frequency of edges between two vertices. If edge.min=0, all edges are plotted.
alpha	is a number. Legal alpha values are any numbers from $0$ (transparent) to $1$ (opaque). The default alpha value usually is $0.5$ .
verbose	is a logical. If TRUE, network will be plotted. Default is verbose = TRUE.

# Value

It is a list containing the following elements:

```
graph a network object of the class igraph
cluster_obj a communities object of the package igraph
cluster_res a data frame with main results of clustering procedure.
```

# Examples

```
## Not run:
data(management, package = "bibliometrixData")

management <- metaTagExtraction(management, Field = "AU_CO")

NetMatrix <- biblioNetwork(management, analysis = "collaboration", network = "countries")

net <- collabByRegionPlot(NetMatrix,
   edgesize = 4, label.cex = TRUE, labelsize = 2.5,
   weighted = TRUE, size = 0.5, size.cex = TRUE, community.repulsion = 0,
   verbose = FALSE
)

cbind(names(net))

plot(net[[4]]$graph)

## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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conceptualStructure

Creating and plotting conceptual structure map of a scientific field

# **Description**

The function conceptualStructure creates a conceptual structure map of a scientific field performing Correspondence Analysis (CA), Multiple Correspondence Analysis (MCA) or Metric Multidimensional Scaling (MDS) and Clustering of a bipartite network of terms extracted from keyword, title or abstract fields.

# Usage

```
conceptualStructure(
 Μ,
  field = "ID",
  ngrams = 1,
 method = "MCA",
 quali.supp = NULL,
  quanti.supp = NULL,
 minDegree = 2,
  clust = "auto",
  k.max = 5,
  stemming = FALSE,
  labelsize = 10,
  documents = 2,
  graph = TRUE,
  remove.terms = NULL,
  synonyms = NULL
)
```

# Arguments

ΤI

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М	is a data frame obtained by the converting function convert2df. It is a data matrix with cases corresponding to articles and variables to Field Tag in the original ISI or SCOPUS file.
field	is a character object. It indicates one of the field tags of the standard ISI WoS Field Tag codify. field can be equal to one of these tags:
ID	Keywords Plus associated by ISI or SCOPUS database
DE	Author's keywords
KW_Merged	All keywords
ID_TM	Keywords Plus stemmed through the Porter's stemming algorithm
DE_TM	Author's Keywords stemmed through the Porter's stemming algorithm

Terms extracted from titles

Terms extracted from abstracts

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ngrams	is an integer between 1 and 3. It indicates the type of n-gram to extract from texts. An n-gram is a contiguous sequence of n terms. The function can extract n-grams composed by 1, 2, 3 or 4 terms. Default value is ngrams=1.
method	is a character object. It indicates the factorial method used to create the factorial map. Use method="CA" for Correspondence Analysis, method="MCA" for Multiple Correspondence Analysis or method="MDS" for Metric Multidimensional Scaling. The default is method="MCA"
quali.supp	is a vector indicating the indexes of the categorical supplementary variables. It is used only for CA and MCA.
quanti.supp	is a vector indicating the indexes of the quantitative supplementary variables. It is used only for CA and MCA.
minDegree	is an integer. It indicates the minimum occurrences of terms to analyze and plot. The default value is 2.
clust	is an integer or a character. If clust="auto", the number of cluster is chosen automatically, otherwise clust can be an integer between 2 and 8.
k.max	is an integer. It indicates the maximum number of cluster to keep. The default value is 5. The max value is 20.
stemming	is logical. If TRUE the Porter's Stemming algorithm is applied to all extracted terms. The default is stemming = FALSE.
labelsize	is an integer. It indicates the label size in the plot. Default is labelsize=10
documents	is an integer. It indicates the number of documents per cluster to plot in the factorial map. The default value is 2. It is used only for CA and MCA.
graph	is logical. If TRUE the function plots the maps otherwise they are saved in the output object. Default value is TRUE
remove.terms	is a character vector. It contains a list of additional terms to delete from the documents before term extraction. The default is remove.terms = NULL.
synonyms	is a character vector. Each element contains a list of synonyms, separated by ";", that will be merged into a single term (the first word contained in the vector element). The default is synonyms = NULL.

### Value

It is an object of the class list containing the following components:

net bipartite network

res Results of CA, MCA or MDS method

km.res Results of cluster analysis

graph\_terms Conceptual structure map (class "ggplot2")

graph\_documents\_Contrib Factorial map of the documents with the highest contributes (class "ggplot2")

graph\_docuemnts\_TC Factorial map of the most cited documents (class "ggplot2")

### See Also

termExtraction to extract terms from a textual field (abstract, title, author's keywords, etc.) of a bibliographic data frame.

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```
biblioNetwork to compute a bibliographic network. cocMatrix to compute a co-occurrence matrix. biblioAnalysis to perform a bibliometric analysis.
```

### **Examples**

```
# EXAMPLE Conceptual Structure using Keywords Plus
data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")

CS <- conceptualStructure(scientometrics,
    field = "ID", method = "CA",
    stemming = FALSE, minDegree = 3, k.max = 5
)</pre>
```

convert2df

Import and Convert bibliographic export files and API objects.

# Description

It converts a SCOPUS, Clarivate Analytics WoS, Dimensions, Lens.org, PubMed and COCHRANE Database export files or pubmedR and dimensionsR JSON/XML objects into a data frame, with cases corresponding to articles and variables to Field Tags as used in WoS.

#### Usage

```
convert2df(
   file,
   dbsource = "wos",
   format = "plaintext",
   remove.duplicates = TRUE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

file a character array containing a sequence of filenames coming from WoS, Sconus Dimensions Lens org Open Alex and Pubmed. Alternatively, file can be

pus, Dimensions, Lens.org, OpenAlex and Pubmed. Alternatively, file can be an object resulting from an API query fetched from Dimensions, and PubMed

databases:

a) 'wos' Clarivate Analytics WoS (in plaintext '.txt', Endnote Desktop '.ciw', or bibtex formats '.bib');

b) 'scopus' SCOPUS (exclusively in bibtex format '.bib');

c) 'dimensions' Digital Science Dimensions (in csv '.csv' or excel '.xlsx' formats);

d) 'lens' Lens.org (in csv '.csv');

e) 'pubmed' an object of the class pubmedR (package pubmedR) containing a collection obtained from a query performance of the class dimensionsR (package dimensionsR) containing a collection obtained from a query performance of the class dimensionsR (package dimensionsR) containing a collection obtained from a query performance of the class dimensionsR (package dimensionsR) containing a collection obtained from a query performance of the class dimensionsR (package dimensionsR) containing a collection obtained from a query performance of the class dimensionsR (package dimensionsR) containing a collection obtained from a query performance of the class dimensionsR (package dimensionsR) containing a collection obtained from a query performance of the class dimensionsR (package dimensionsR) containing a collection obtained from a query performance of the class dimensionsR (package dimensionsR) containing a collection obtained from a query performance of the class dimensionsR (package dimensionsR) containing a collection obtained from a query performance of the class dimensionsR (package dimensionsR) containing a collection obtained from a query performance of the class dimensionsR (package dimensionsR) containing a collection obtained from a query performance of the class dimensionsR (package dimensionsR) containing a collection obtained from a query performance of the class dimensionsR (package dimensionsR).

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g) 'openalex' OpenAlex .csv file;

o) 'openalex\_api' the filename and path to a list object returned by openalexR package, containing a collection of works r

dbsource is a character indicating the bibliographic database. dbsource can be dbsource

= c('cochrane','dimensions','generic','isi','openalex', 'pubmed','scopus','wos',

'lens') . Default is dbsource = "isi".

format is a character indicating the SCOPUS, Clarivate Analytics WoS, and other databases

export file format. format can be c('api', 'bibtex', 'csv', 'endnote', 'excel', 'plaintext',

'pubmed'). Default is format = "plaintext".

remove.duplicates

is logical. If TRUE, the function will remove duplicated items checking by DOI

and database ID.

#### Value

a data frame with cases corresponding to articles and variables to Field Tags in the original export file.

I.e We have three files download from Web of Science in plaintext format, file will be:

file <- c("filename1.txt", "filename2.txt", "filename3.txt")

data frame columns are named using the standard Clarivate Analytics WoS Field Tag codify. The main field tags are:

AU Authors

TI Document Title

SO Publication Name (or Source)

JI ISO Source Abbreviation

DT Document Type

DE Authors' Keywords

ID Keywords associated by SCOPUS or WoS database

AB Abstract

C1 Author Address

RP Reprint Address

CR Cited References

TC Times Cited

PY Year

SC Subject Category

UT Unique Article Identifier

DB Database

for a complete list of field tags see: Field Tags used in bibliometrix

# **Examples**

- # Example:
- $\hbox{\tt\# Import and convert a Web of Science collection form an export file in plaintext format:}\\$

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```
## Not run:
files <- "https://www.bibliometrix.org/datasets/wos_plaintext.txt"

M <- convert2df(file = files, dbsource = "wos", format = "plaintext")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

countries

Index of Countries.

# Description

Data frame containing a normalized index of countries.

Data are used by biblioAnalysis function to extract Country Field of Cited References and Authors.

#### **Format**

A data frame with 199 rows and 5 variables:

```
countries country names
continent continent names
iso2 country ISO 3166-1 alpha-2 code
Longitude country centroid longitude
Latitude country centroid latitude
```

couplingMap

Coupling Analysis

# **Description**

It performs a coupling network analysis and plots community detection results on a bi-dimensional map (Coupling Map).

# Usage

```
couplingMap(
   M,
   analysis = "documents",
   field = "CR",
   n = 500,
   label.term = NULL,
   ngrams = 1,
   impact.measure = "local",
```

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```
minfreq = 5,
  community.repulsion = 0.1,
  stemming = FALSE,
  size = 0.5,
  n.labels = 1,
  repel = TRUE,
  cluster = "walktrap"
)
```

#### **Arguments**

М is a bibliographic dataframe.

analysis is the textual attribute used to select the unit of analysis. It can be analysis =

c("documents", "authors", "sources").

field is the textual attribute used to measure the coupling strength. It can be field =

c("CR", "ID", "DE", "TI", "AB").

is an integer. It indicates the number of units to include in the analysis.

label.term is a character. It indicates which content metadata have to use for cluster la-

beling. It can be label.term = c("ID", "DE", "TI", "AB"). If label.term =

NULL cluster items will be use for labeling.

ngrams is an integer between 1 and 4. It indicates the type of n-gram to extract from

texts. An n-gram is a contiguous sequence of n terms. The function can extract

n-grams composed by 1, 2, 3 or 4 terms. Default value is ngrams=1.

impact.measure is a character. It indicates the impact measure used to rank cluster elements (doc-

uments, authors or sources). It can be impact.measure = c("local", "global").\ With impact.measure = "local", couplingMap calculates elements impact using the Normalized Local Citation Score while using impact.measure = "global", the function uses the Normalized Global Citation Score to measure elements im-

pact.

minfreq is a integer. It indicates the minimum frequency (per thousand) of a cluster. It is

a number in the range (0,1000).

community.repulsion

is a real. It indicates the repulsion force among network communities. It is a real number between 0 and 1. Default is community.repulsion = 0.1.

is logical. If it is TRUE the word (from titles or abstracts) will be stemmed stemming

(using the Porter's algorithm).

is numerical. It indicates the size of the cluster circles and is a number in the size

range (0.01,1).

n.labels is integer. It indicates how many labels associate to each cluster. Default is

n.labels = 1.

repel is logical. If it is TRUE ggplot uses geom\_label\_repel instead of geom\_label.

cluster is a character. It indicates the type of cluster to perform among ("optimal", "lou-

vain", "leiden", "infomap", "edge\_betweenness", "walktrap", "spinglass", "lead-

ing\_eigen", "fast\_greedy").

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#### **Details**

The analysis can be performed on three different units: documents, authors or sources and the coupling strength can be measured using the classical approach (coupled by references) or a novel approach based on unit contents (keywords or terms from titles and abstracts)

The x-axis measures the cluster centrality (by Callon's Centrality index) while the y-axis measures the cluster impact by Mean Normalized Local Citation Score (MNLCS). The Normalized Local Citation Score (NLCS) of a document is calculated by dividing the actual count of local citing items by the expected citation rate for documents with the same year of publication.

#### Value

a list containing:

map The coupling map as ggplot2 object

clusters Centrality and Density values for each cluster.

A list of units following in each cluster

nclust The number of clusters

NCS The Normalized Citation Score dataframe

net A list containing the network output (as provided from the networkPlot function)

### See Also

biblioNetwork function to compute a bibliographic network. cocMatrix to compute a bibliographic bipartite network.

networkPlot to plot a bibliographic network.

### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
data(management, package = "bibliometrixData")
res <- couplingMap(management,
    analysis = "authors", field = "CR", n = 250, impact.measure = "local",
    minfreq = 3, size = 0.5, repel = TRUE
)
plot(res$map)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

customTheme

Custom Theme variables for Biblioshiny.

# Description

List containing a set of custom theme variables for Biblioshiny.

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#### **Format**

A list with 3 elements:

name object nameattribs attributeschildren CSS style

dominance

Authors' dominance ranking

### **Description**

It calculates the authors' dominance ranking from an object of the class 'bibliometrix' as proposed by Kumar & Kumar, 2008.

# Usage

```
dominance(results, k = 10)
```

# **Arguments**

results is an object of the class 'bibliometrix' for which the analysis of the authors'

dominance ranking is desired.

k is an integer, used for table formatting (number of authors). Default value is 10.

### Value

The function dominance returns a data frame with cases corresponding to the first k most productive authors and variables to typical field of a dominance analysis.

the data frame variables are:

Author Author's name

Dominance Factor Dominance Factor (DF = FAA / MAA)

Tot Articles N. of Authored Articles (TAA)

Multi Authored N. of Multi-Authored Articles (MAA=TAA-SAA)

First Authored N. of First Authored Articles (FAA)
Rank by Articles Author Ranking by N. of Articles
Rank by DF Author Ranking by Dominance Factor

#### See Also

biblioAnalysis function for bibliometric analysis summary method for class 'bibliometrix'

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### **Examples**

```
data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")
results <- biblioAnalysis(scientometrics)
DF <- dominance(results)
DF</pre>
```

duplicatedMatching

Searching of duplicated records in a bibliographic database

### **Description**

Search duplicated records in a dataframe.

# Usage

```
duplicatedMatching(M, Field = "TI", exact = FALSE, tol = 0.95)
```

# Arguments

М	is the bibliographic data frame.
Field	is a character object. It indicates one of the field tags used to identify duplicated records. Field can be equal to one of these tags: TI (title), AB (abstract), UT (manuscript ID).
exact	is logical. If exact = TRUE the function searches duplicates using exact matching. If exact=FALSE, the function uses the restricted Damerau-Levenshtein distance to find duplicated documents.
tol	is a numeric value giving the minimum relative similarity to match two manuscripts. Default value is tol = 0.95. To use the restricted Damerau-Levenshtein distance, exact argument has to be set as FALSE.

### Details

A bibliographic data frame is obtained by the converting function convert2df. It is a data matrix with cases corresponding to manuscripts and variables to Field Tag in the original SCOPUS and Clarivate Analytics WoS file. The function identifies duplicated records in a bibliographic data frame and deletes them. Duplicate entries are identified through the restricted Damerau-Levenshtein distance. Two manuscripts that have a relative similarity measure greater than tol argument are stored in the output data frame only once.

#### Value

the value returned from duplicatedMatching is a data frame without duplicated records.

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### See Also

```
convert2df to import and convert an WoS or SCOPUS Export file in a bibliographic data frame. biblioAnalysis function for bibliometric analysis.

summary to obtain a summary of the results.

plot to draw some useful plots of the results.
```

# **Examples**

```
data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")

M <- rbind(scientometrics[1:20, ], scientometrics[10:30, ])

newM <- duplicatedMatching(M, Field = "TI", exact = FALSE, tol = 0.95)

dim(newM)</pre>
```

fieldByYear

Field Tag distribution by Year

# **Description**

It calculates the median year for each item of a field tag.

# Usage

```
fieldByYear(
   M,
   field = "ID",
   timespan = NULL,
   min.freq = 2,
   n.items = 5,
   labelsize = NULL,
   remove.terms = NULL,
   synonyms = NULL,
   dynamic.plot = FALSE,
   graph = TRUE
)
```

### **Arguments**

M is a bibliographic data frame obtained by convert2df function.

field is a character object. It indicates one of the field tags of the standard ISI WoS

Field Tag codify.

timespan is a vector with the min and max year. If it is = NULL, the analysis is performed

on the entire period. Default is timespan = NULL.

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is an integer. It indicates the min frequency of the items to include in the analysis min.freq n.items is an integer. I indicates the maximum number of items per year to include in the plot. labelsize is deprecated argument. It will be removed in the next update. remove.terms is a character vector. It contains a list of additional terms to delete from the documents before term extraction. The default is remove.terms = NULL. is a character vector. Each element contains a list of synonyms, separated by synonyms ";", that will be merged into a single term (the first word contained in the vector element). The default is synonyms = NULL. dynamic.plot is a logical. If TRUE plot aesthetics are optimized for plotly package.

is logical. If TRUE the function plots Filed Tag distribution by Year graph. Default is graph = TRUE.

### Value

graph

The function fieldByYear returns a list containing threeobjects:

df is a data frame
df\_graph is a data frame with data used to build the graph
graph a ggplot object

### See Also

```
biblioAnalysis function for bibliometric analysis summary method for class 'bibliometrix'
```

#### **Examples**

```
data(management, package = "bibliometrixData")
timespan <- c(2005, 2015)
res <- fieldByYear(management,
   field = "ID", timespan = timespan,
   min.freq = 5, n.items = 5, graph = TRUE
)</pre>
```

Hindex h-index calculation

# **Description**

It calculates the authors' h-index and its variants.

### Usage

```
Hindex(M, field = "author", elements = NULL, sep = ";", years = Inf)
```

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### **Arguments**

М is a bibliographic data frame obtained by the converting function convert2df. It is a data matrix with cases corresponding to manuscripts and variables to Field Tag in the original SCOPUS and Clarivate Analytics WoS file. field is character. It can be equal to c("author", "source"). field indicates if H-index have to be calculated for a list of authors or for a list of sources. Default value is field = "author". elements is a character vector. It contains the authors' names list or the source list for which you want to calculate the H-index. When the field is "author", the argument has the form C("SURNAME1 N", "SURNAME2 N",...), in other words, for each author: surname and initials separated by one blank space. If elements=NULL, the function calculates impact indices for all elements contained in the data frame. i.e for the authors SEMPRONIO TIZIO CAIO and ARIA MASSIMO elements argument is elements = c("SEMPRONIO TC", "ARIA M"). is the field separator character. This character separates authors in each string of sep AU column of the bibliographic data frame. The default is sep = ";". is a integer. It indicates the number of years to consider for Hindex calculation. years

#### Value

an object of class "list". It contains two elements: H is a data frame with h-index, g-index and m-index for each author; CitationList is a list with the bibliographic collection for each author.

Default is Inf.

# See Also

convert2df to import and convert an WoS or SCOPUS Export file in a bibliographic data frame. biblioAnalysis function for bibliometric analysis. summary to obtain a summary of the results. plot to draw some useful plots of the results.

# **Examples**

```
### EXAMPLE 1: ###

data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")

authors <- c("SMALL H", "CHEN DZ")

Hindex(scientometrics, field = "author", elements = authors, sep = ";")$H

Hindex(scientometrics, field = "source", elements = "SCIENTOMETRICS", sep = ";")$H

### EXAMPLE 2: Garfield h-index###

data(garfield, package = "bibliometrixData")

indices <- Hindex(garfield, field = "author", elements = "GARFIELD E", years = Inf, sep = ";")</pre>
```

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```
# h-index, g-index and m-index of Eugene Garfield
indices$H

# Papers and total citations
head(indices$CitationList[[1]])
```

histNetwork

Historical co-citation network

# **Description**

histNetwork creates a historical citation network from a bibliographic data frame.

# Usage

```
histNetwork(M, min.citations, sep = ";", network = TRUE, verbose = TRUE)
```

# **Arguments**

М	is a bibliographic data frame obtained by the converting function convert2df. It is a data matrix with cases corresponding to manuscripts and variables to Field Tag in the original SCOPUS, OpenAlex, Lens.org and Clarivate Analytics Web of Science file.
min.citations	DEPRECATED. New algorithm does not use this parameters. It will be remove in the next version of bibliometrix.
sep	is the field separator character. This character separates strings in CR column of the data frame. The default is $sep = "$ ;".
network	is logical. If TRUE, function calculates and returns also the direct citation network. If FALSE, the function returns only the local citation table.
verbose	is logical. If TRUE, results are printed on screen.

#### Value

histNetwork returns an object of class "list" containing the following components:

NetMatrix the historical co-citation network matrix histData the set of n most cited references the bibliographic data frame

# See Also

```
convert2df to import and convert a supported export file in a bibliographic data frame. summary to obtain a summary of the results.
```

plot to draw some useful plots of the results.

biblioNetwork to compute a bibliographic network.

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### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
data(management, package = "bibliometrixData")
histResults <- histNetwork(management, sep = ";")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

histPlot

Plotting historical co-citation network

# Description

histPlot plots a historical co-citation network.

# Usage

```
histPlot(
  histResults,
  n = 20,
  size = 5,
  labelsize = 5,
  remove.isolates = TRUE,
  title_as_label = FALSE,
  label = "short",
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

### **Arguments**

histResults is an object of class "list" containing the following components:

NetMatrix the historical citation network matrix
Degree the min degree of the network
histData the set of n most cited references
M the bibliographic data frame

is a network matrix obtained by the function histNetwork.

n is integer. It defines the number of vertices to plot.

size is an integer. It defines the point size of the vertices. Default value is 5.

labelsize is an integer. It indicates the label size in the plot. Default is labelsize=5.

remove.isolates

is logical. If TRUE isolates vertices are not plotted.

title\_as\_label is a logical. DEPRECATED

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label is a character. It indicates which label type to use as node id in the historiograph.

It can be label=c("short", "title", "keywords", "keywordsplus"). De-

fault is label = "short".

verbose is logical. If TRUE, results and plots are printed on screen.

### **Details**

The function histPlot can plot a historical co-citation network previously created by histNetwork.

#### Value

It is list containing: a network object of the class igraph and a plot object of the class ggraph.

### See Also

```
histNetwork to compute a historical co-citation network. cocMatrix to compute a co-occurrence matrix. biblioAnalysis to perform a bibliometric analysis.
```

# **Examples**

```
# EXAMPLE Citation network
## Not run:
data(management, package = "bibliometrixData")
histResults <- histNetwork(management, sep = ";")
net <- histPlot(histResults, n = 20, labelsize = 5)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

idByAuthor

Get Complete Author Information and ID from Scopus

# **Description**

Uses SCOPUS API author search to identify author identification information.

# Usage

```
idByAuthor(df, api_key)
```

# Arguments

df

is a dataframe composed of three columns:

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```
lastname author's last name author's first name author's first name affiliation Part of the affiliation name (university name, city, etc.)

i.e. df[1,1:3]<-c("aria","massimo","naples") When affiliation is not specified, the field df$affiliation have to be NA. i.e. df[2,1:3]<-c("cuccurullo","corrado", NA)
```

api\_key

is a character. It contains the Elsevier API key. Information about how to obtain an API Key Elsevier API website

# Value

a data frame with cases corresponding to authors and variables to author's information and ID got from SCOPUS.

### See Also

retrievalByAuthorID for downloading the complete author bibliographic collection from SCO-PUS

# **Examples**

keywordAssoc

ID and DE keyword associations

### Description

It associates authors' keywords to keywords plus.

### Usage

```
keywordAssoc(M, sep = ";", n = 10, excludeKW = NA)
```

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# **Arguments**

М	is a bibliographic data frame obtained by the converting function convert2df. It is a data matrix with cases corresponding to manuscripts and variables to Field Tag in the original SCOPUS and Clarivate Analytics WoS file.
sep	is the field separator character. This character separates keywords in each string of ID and DE columns of the bibliographic data frame. The default is sep = $"$ ; $"$ .
n	is a integer. It indicates the number of authors' keywords to associate to each keyword plus. The default is $n=10$ .
excludeKW	is character vector. It contains authors' keywords to exclude from the analysis.

### Value

```
an object of class "list".
```

# See Also

```
convert2df to import and convert a WoS or SCOPUS Export file in a bibliographic data frame. biblioAnalysis function for bibliometric analysis. summary to obtain a summary of the results. plot to draw some useful plots of the results.
```

# **Examples**

```
data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")

KWlist <- keywordAssoc(scientometrics, sep = ";", n = 10, excludeKW = NA)

# list of first 10 Keywords plus
names(KWlist)

# list of first 10 authors' keywords associated to the first Keyword plus
KWlist[[1]][1:10]</pre>
```

KeywordGrowth	Yearly occurrences of top keywords/terms

# Description

It calculates yearly occurrences of top keywords/terms.

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# Usage

```
KeywordGrowth(
   M,
   Tag = "ID",
   sep = ";",
   top = 10,
   cdf = TRUE,
   remove.terms = NULL,
   synonyms = NULL
)
```

# Arguments

М	is a data frame obtained by the converting function convert2df. It is a data matrix with cases corresponding to articles and variables to Field Tag in the original WoS or SCOPUS file.
Tag	is a character object. It indicates one of the keyword field tags of the standard ISI WoS Field Tag codify (ID, DE, KW_Merged) or a field tag created by termExtraction function (TI_TM, AB_TM, etc.).
sep	is the field separator character. This character separates strings in each keyword column of the data frame. The default is sep = ";".
top	is a numeric. It indicates the number of top keywords to analyze. The default value is 10.
cdf	is a logical. If TRUE, the function calculates the cumulative occurrences distribution.
remove.terms	is a character vector. It contains a list of additional terms to delete from the documents before term extraction. The default is remove.terms = NULL.
synonyms	is a character vector. Each element contains a list of synonyms, separated by ";", that will be merged into a single term (the first word contained in the vector element). The default is synonyms = NULL.

#### Value

```
an object of class data. frame
```

```
data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")
topKW <- KeywordGrowth(scientometrics, Tag = "ID", sep = ";", top = 5, cdf = TRUE)
topKW

# Plotting results
## Not run:
install.packages("reshape2")
library(reshape2)
library(ggplot2)
DF <- melt(topKW, id = "Year")
ggplot(DF, aes(Year, value, group = variable, color = variable)) + geom_line</pre>
```

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```
## End(Not run)
```

	Author local citations	localCitations
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# **Description**

It calculates local citations (LCS) of authors and documents of a bibliographic collection.

# Usage

```
localCitations(M, fast.search = FALSE, sep = ";", verbose = FALSE)
```

# **Arguments**

М	is a bibliographic data frame obtained by the converting function convert2df. It is a data matrix with cases corresponding to manuscripts and variables to Field Tag in the original SCOPUS and Clarivate Analytics WoS file.
fast.search	is logical. If true, the function calculates local citations only for 25 percent top cited documents.
sep	is the field separator character. This character separates citations in each string of CR column of the bibliographic data frame. The default is sep = ";".
verbose	is a logical. If TRUE, results are printed on screen.

# **Details**

Local citations measure how many times an author (or a document) included in this collection have been cited by the documents also included in the collection.

## Value

an object of class "list" containing author local citations and document local citations.

#### See Also

```
citations function for citation frequency distribution.
biblioAnalysis function for bibliometric analysis.
summary to obtain a summary of the results.
plot to draw some useful plots of the results.
```

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## **Examples**

```
data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")
CR <- localCitations(scientometrics, sep = ";")
CR$Authors[1:10, ]
CR$Papers[1:10, ]</pre>
```

logo

Bibliometrix logo.

# **Description**

The matrix contains the rgb format of the bibliometrix official logo.

# **Format**

A matrix with 927 rows and 800 columns.

lotka

Lotka's law coefficient estimation

# Description

It estimates Lotka's law coefficients for scientific productivity (Lotka A.J., 1926).

# Usage

lotka(M)

#### **Arguments**

М

is an object of the class 'bibliometrixDB'.

# **Details**

Reference: Lotka, A. J. (1926). The frequency distribution of scientific productivity. Journal of the Washington academy of sciences, 16(12), 317-323.

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#### Value

The function lotka returns a list of summary statistics of the Lotka's law estimation of an object of class bibliometrix.

the list contains the following objects:

Beta Beta coefficient
C Constant coefficient
R2 Goodness of Fit
fitted Fitted Values

p.value Pvalue of two-sample Kolmogorov-Smirnov test between the empirical and the theoretical Lotka's Law dist

AuthorProd Authors' Productivity frequency table

g Lotka's law plot

g\_shiny Lotka's law plot for biblioshiny

#### See Also

```
biblioAnalysis function for bibliometric analysis summary method for class 'bibliometrix'
```

## **Examples**

```
data(management, package = "bibliometrixData")
L <- lotka(management)</pre>
```

mergeDbSources

Merge bibliographic data frames from supported bibliogtraphic DBs

## **Description**

Merge bibliographic data frames from different databases (WoS,SCOPUS, Lens, Openalex, etc-) into a single one.

# Usage

```
mergeDbSources(..., remove.duplicated = TRUE, verbose = TRUE)
```

## **Arguments**

are the bibliographic data frames to merge.

remove.duplicated

is logical. If TRUE duplicated documents will be deleted from the bibliographic

collection.

verbose is logical. If TRUE, information on duplicate documents is printed on the screen.

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#### **Details**

bibliographic data frames are obtained by the converting function convert2df. The function merges data frames identifying common tag fields and duplicated records.

#### Value

the value returned from mergeDbSources is a bibliographic data frame.

#### See Also

```
convert2df to import and convert an ISI or SCOPUS Export file in a bibliographic data frame. biblioAnalysis function for bibliometric analysis. summary to obtain a summary of the results. plot to draw some useful plots of the results.
```

#### **Examples**

```
data(isiCollection, package = "bibliometrixData")
data(scopusCollection, package = "bibliometrixData")
M <- mergeDbSources(isiCollection, scopusCollection, remove.duplicated = TRUE)
dim(M)</pre>
```

mergeKeywords

Merge DE and ID Fields into a Unified Keywords Column

# Description

This function creates a new column 'KW\_Merged' by combining the contents of the 'DE' (author keywords) and 'ID' (keywords plus) fields in a bibliographic dataframe. Duplicate keywords within each record are removed, and leading/trailing spaces are trimmed. The merged keywords are separated by a semicolon (';').

## Usage

```
mergeKeywords(M, force = FALSE)
```

## **Arguments**

M A dataframe containing at least the 'DE' and/or 'ID' columns, typically generated by 'converted 160' from the 'hibitory strip' and to re-

ated by 'convert2df()' from the 'bibliometrix' package.

force Logical. If 'TRUE', an existing 'KW\_Merged' column will be overwritten.

Default is 'FALSE'.

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# **Details**

If the 'KW\_Merged' column already exists, it will not be overwritten unless 'force = TRUE' is specified.

#### Value

A dataframe with an added (or updated) 'KW\_Merged' column containing deduplicated and cleaned keyword strings.

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
data(management, package = "bibliometrix")
M <- mergeKeywords(management)
head(M$KW_Merged)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

metaTagExtraction

Meta-Field Tag Extraction

# **Description**

It extracts other field tags, different from the standard WoS/SCOPUS codify.

# Usage

```
metaTagExtraction(M, Field = "CR_AU", sep = ";", aff.disamb = TRUE)
```

# **Arguments**

М	is a data frame obtained by the converting function convert2df. It is a data matrix with cases corresponding to articles and variables to Field Tag in the original WoS or SCOPUS file.
Field	is a character object. New tag extracted from aggregated data is specified by this string. Field can be equal to one of these tags:
"CR_AU"	First Author of each cited reference
"CR_S0"	Source of each cited reference
"AU_CO"	Country of affiliation for co-authors
"AU1_CO"	Country of affiliation for the first author
"AU_UN"	University of affiliation for each co-author and the corresponding author (AU1_UN)
"SR"	Short tag of the document (as used in reference lists)
sep	is the field separator character. This character separates strings in each column of the data frame. The default is sep = ";".

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aff.disamb

is a logical. If TRUE and Field="AU\_UN", then a disambiguation algorithm is used to identify and match scientific affiliations (univ, research centers, etc.). The default is aff.disamb=TRUE.

#### Value

the bibliometric data frame with a new column containing data about new field tag indicated in the argument Field.

#### See Also

convert2df for importing and converting bibliographic files into a data frame. biblioAnalysis function for bibliometric analysis

## **Examples**

```
# Example 1: First Authors for each cited reference

data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")
scientometrics <- metaTagExtraction(scientometrics, Field = "CR_AU", sep = ";")
unlist(strsplit(scientometrics$CR_AU[1], ";"))

# Example 2: Source for each cited reference

data(scientometrics)
scientometrics <- metaTagExtraction(scientometrics, Field = "CR_SO", sep = ";")
unlist(strsplit(scientometrics$CR_SO[1], ";"))

# Example 3: Affiliation country for co-authors

data(scientometrics)
scientometrics <- metaTagExtraction(scientometrics, Field = "AU_CO", sep = ";")
scientometrics$AU_CO[1:10]</pre>
```

missingData

Completeness of bibliographic metadata

## **Description**

It calculates the percentage of missing data in the metadata of a bibliographic data frame.

# Usage

```
missingData(M)
```

## **Arguments**

Μ

is a bibliographic data frame obtained by convert2df function.

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#### **Details**

Each metadata is assigned a status c("Excellent," "Good," "Acceptable", "Poor", "Critical," "Completely missing") depending on the percentage of missing data. In particular, the column \*status\* classifies the percentage of missing value in 5 categories: "Excellent" (0 "Poor" (from 20.01))

The results of the function allow us to understand which analyses can be performed with bibliometrix and which cannot based on the completeness (or status) of different metadata.

#### Value

The function missingData returns a list containing two objects:

allTags is a data frame including results for all original metadata tags from the collection

mandatoryTags is a data frame that included only the tags needed for analysis with bibliometrix and biblioshiny.

# **Examples**

```
data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")
res <- missingData(scientometrics)
print(res$mandatoryTags)</pre>
```

net2Pajek

Save a network graph object as Pajek files

# **Description**

The function net2Pajek save a bibliographic network previously created by networkPlot as pajek files.

## Usage

```
net2Pajek(net, filename = "my_pajek_network", path = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

net is a network graph object returned by the function networkPlot. filename is a character. It indicates the filename for Pajek export files.

path is a character. It indicates the path where the files will be saved. When path="NULL,

the files will be saved in the current folder. Default is NULL.

#### Value

The function returns no object but will save three Pajek files in the folder given in the "path" argument with the name "filename.clu," "filename.vec," and "filename.net."

## See Also

net2VOSviewer to export and plot the network with VOSviewer software.

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## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
data(management, package = "bibliometrixData")

NetMatrix <- biblioNetwork(management,
    analysis = "co-occurrences",
    network = "keywords", sep = ";"
)

net <- networkPlot(NetMatrix, n = 30, type = "auto", Title = "Co-occurrence Network", labelsize = 1)

net2Pajek(net, filename = "pajekfiles", path = NULL)

## End(Not run)</pre>
```

net2VOSviewer

Open a bibliometrix network in VosViewer

# **Description**

net2VOSviewer plots a network created with networkPlot using VOSviewer by Nees Jan van Eck and Ludo Waltman.

# Usage

```
net2VOSviewer(net, vos.path = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

net is an object created by networkPlot function.

vos.path is a character indicating the full path where VOSviewer.jar is located.

## **Details**

The function networkPlot can plot a bibliographic network previously created by biblioNetwork. The network map can be plotted using internal R routines or using VOSviewer by Nees Jan van Eck and Ludo Waltman.

# Value

It write a .net file that can be open in VOSviewer

#### See Also

```
biblioNetwork to compute a bibliographic network. networkPlot to create and plot a network object
```

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# **Examples**

```
# EXAMPLE
# VOSviewer.jar have to be present in the working folder
# data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")
# NetMatrix <- biblioNetwork(scientometrics, analysis = "co-citation",
# network = "references", sep = ";")
# net <- networkPlot(NetMatrix, n = 30, type = "kamada", Title = "Co-Citation",labelsize=0.5)
# net2VOSviewer(net)</pre>
```

networkPlot

Plotting Bibliographic networks

# Description

networkPlot plots a bibliographic network.

# Usage

```
networkPlot(
  NetMatrix,
  normalize = NULL,
  n = NULL,
  degree = NULL,
  Title = "Plot",
  type = "auto",
  label = TRUE,
  labelsize = 1,
  label.cex = FALSE,
  label.color = FALSE,
  label.n = NULL,
  halo = FALSE,
  cluster = "walktrap",
  community.repulsion = 0.1,
  vos.path = NULL,
  size = 3,
  size.cex = FALSE,
  curved = FALSE,
  noloops = TRUE,
  remove.multiple = TRUE,
  remove.isolates = FALSE,
  weighted = NULL,
```

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```
edgesize = 1,
edges.min = 0,
alpha = 0.5,
verbose = TRUE
)
```

# **Arguments**

NetMatrix is a network matrix obtained by the function biblioNetwork.

normalize is a character. It can be "association", "jaccard", "inclusion", "salton" or "equiva-

lence" to obtain Association Strength, Jaccard, Inclusion, Salton or Equivalence

similarity index respectively. The default is type = NULL.

n is an integer. It indicates the number of vertices to plot.

degree is an integer. It indicates the min frequency of a vertex. If degree is not NULL,

n is ignored.

Title is a character indicating the plot title.

type is a character object. It indicates the network map layout:

type="auto" Automatic layout selection

type="circle" Circle layout type="sphere" Sphere layout

type="mds" Multidimensional Scaling layout type="fruchterman" Fruchterman-Reingold layout type="kamada" Kamada-Kawai layout

label is logical. If TRUE vertex labels are plotted.

labelsize is an integer. It indicates the label size in the plot. Default is labelsize=1 label.cex is logical. If TRUE the label size of each vertex is proportional to its degree. label.color is logical. If TRUE, for each vertex, the label color is the same as its cluster.

label.n is an integer. It indicates the number of vertex labels to draw.

halo is logical. If TRUE communities are plotted using different colors. Default is

halo=FALSE

cluster is a character. It indicates the type of cluster to perform among ("none", "opti-

mal", "louvain", "leiden", "infomap", "edge\_betweenness", "walktrap", "spinglass",

"leading\_eigen", "fast\_greedy").

community.repulsion

is a real. It indicates the repulsion force among network communities. It is a

real number between 0 and 1. Default is community.repulsion = 0.1.

vos.path is a character indicating the full path where VOSviewer.jar is located.

size is integer. It defines the size of each vertex. Default is size=3.

size.cex is logical. If TRUE the size of each vertex is proportional to its degree.

curved is a logical or a number. If TRUE edges are plotted with an optimal curvature.

Default is curved=FALSE. Curved values are any numbers from 0 to 1.

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noloops is logical. If TRUE loops in the network are deleted.

remove.multiple

is logical. If TRUE multiple links are plotted using just one edge.

remove.isolates

is logical. If TRUE isolates vertices are not plotted.

weighted This argument specifies whether to create a weighted graph from an adjacency

matrix. If it is NULL then an unweighted graph is created and the elements of the adjacency matrix gives the number of edges between the vertices. If it is a character constant then for every non-zero matrix entry an edge is created and the value of the entry is added as an edge attribute named by the weighted argument. If it is TRUE then a weighted graph is created and the name of the

edge attribute will be weight.

edgesize is an integer. It indicates the network edge size.

edges.min is an integer. It indicates the min frequency of edges between two vertices. If

edge.min=0, all edges are plotted.

alpha is a number. Legal alpha values are any numbers from 0 (transparent) to 1

(opaque). The default alpha value usually is 0.5.

verbose is a logical. If TRUE, network will be plotted. Default is verbose = TRUE.

#### **Details**

The function networkPlot can plot a bibliographic network previously created by biblioNetwork.

#### Value

It is a list containing the following elements:

graph a network object of the class igraph

cluster\_obj a communities object of the package igraph

cluster\_res a data frame with main results of clustering procedure.

#### See Also

biblioNetwork to compute a bibliographic network.

net2V0Sviewer to export and plot the network with VOSviewer software.

cocMatrix to compute a co-occurrence matrix.

biblioAnalysis to perform a bibliometric analysis.

```
# EXAMPLE Keywordd co-occurrence network
data(management, package = "bibliometrixData")
NetMatrix <- biblioNetwork(management,
    analysis = "co-occurrences",</pre>
```

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```
network = "keywords", sep = ";"
)
net <- networkPlot(NetMatrix, n = 30, type = "auto", Title = "Co-occurrence Network", labelsize = 1)</pre>
```

networkStat

Calculating network summary statistics

# Description

networkStat calculates main network statistics.

# Usage

```
networkStat(object, stat = "network", type = "degree")
```

#### **Arguments**

object is a network matrix obtained by the function biblioNetwork or an graph object

of the class igraph.

stat is a character. It indicates which statistics are to be calculated. stat = "network"

calculates the statistics related to the network; stat = "all" calculates the statistics related to the network and the individual nodes that compose it. Default

value is stat = "network".

type is a character. It indicates which centrality index is calculated. type values can be

c("degree", "closeness", "betweenness", "eigenvector", "pagerank", "hub", "authority",

"all"). Default is "degree".

## **Details**

The function networkStat can calculate the main network statistics from a bibliographic network previously created by biblioNetwork.

#### Value

It is a list containing the following elements:

graph a network object of the class igraph

network a communities a list with the main statistics of the network

vertex a data frame with the main measures of centrality and prestige of vertices.

# See Also

```
biblioNetwork to compute a bibliographic network. cocMatrix to compute a co-occurrence matrix. biblioAnalysis to perform a bibliometric analysis.
```

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#### **Examples**

normalizeCitationScore

Calculate the normalized citation score metric

# Description

It calculates the normalized citation score for documents, authors and sources using both global and local citations.

#### Usage

```
normalizeCitationScore(M, field = "documents", impact.measure = "local")
```

## **Arguments**

M is a bibliographic data frame obtained by convert2df function.

field is a character. It indicates the unit of analysis on which calculate the NCS. It

can be equal to field = c("documents", "authors", "sources"). Default is

field = "documents".

impact measure is a character. It indicates the impact measure used to rank cluster elements (doc-

uments, authors or sources). It can be impact.measure = c("local", "global").\
With impact.measure = "local", normalizeCitationScore calculates elements impact using the Normalized Local Citation Score while using impact.measure = "global", the function uses the Normalized Global Citation Score to measure

elements impact.

#### Details

The document Normalized Citation Score (NCS) of a document is calculated by dividing the actual count of citing items by the expected citation rate for documents with the same year of publication.

The MNCS of a set of documents, for example the collected works of an individual, or published on a journal, is the average of the NCS values for all the documents in the set.

The NGCS is the NCS calculated using the global citations (total citations that a document received considering the whole bibliographic database).

The NLCS is the NCS calculated using the local citations (total citations that a document received from a set of documents included in the same collection).

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#### Value

a dataframe.

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
data(management, package = "bibliometrixData")
NCS <- normalizeCitationScore(management, field = "authors", impact.measure = "local")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

normalizeSimilarity

Calculate similarity indices

# **Description**

It calculates a relative measure of bibliographic co-occurrences.

#### Usage

```
normalizeSimilarity(NetMatrix, type = "association")
```

# **Arguments**

NetMatrix is a coupling matrix obtained by the network functions biblioNetwork or cocMatrix.

type is a character. It can be "association", "jaccard", "inclusion", "salton" or "equiva-

lence" to obtain Association Strength, Jaccard, Inclusion, Salton or Equivalence

similarity index respectively. The default is type = "association".

## **Details**

couplingSimilarity calculates Association strength, Inclusion, Jaccard or Salton similarity from a co-occurrence bibliographic matrix.

The association strength is used by Van Eck and Waltman (2007) and Van Eck et al. (2006). Several works refer to the measure as the proximity index, while Leydesdorff (2008) and Zitt et al. (2000) refer to it as the probabilistic affinity (or activity) index.

The inclusion index, also called Simpson coefficient, is an overlap measure used in information retrieval.

The Jaccard index (or Jaccard similarity coefficient) gives us a relative measure of the overlap of two sets. It is calculated as the ratio between the intersection and the union of the reference lists (of two manuscripts).

The Salton index, instead, relates the intersection of the two lists to the geometric mean of the size of both sets. The square of Salton index is also called Equivalence index.

The indices are equal to zero if the intersection of the reference lists is empty.

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#### Value

a similarity matrix.

#### See Also

biblioNetwork function to compute a bibliographic network. cocMatrix to compute a bibliographic bipartite network.

## **Examples**

```
data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")
NetMatrix <- biblioNetwork(scientometrics,
    analysis = "co-occurrences",
    network = "keywords", sep = ";"
)
S <- normalizeSimilarity(NetMatrix, type = "association")</pre>
```

plot.bibliodendrogram Plotting dendrogram resulting from Conceptual Structure Analysis

## Description

plot method for class 'bibliodendrogram'

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'bibliodendrogram' plot(x, ...)
```

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# Arguments

x is the object for which plots are desired.

... is a generic param for plot functions.

#### Value

The function plot draws a dendrogram.

plot.bibliometrix

Plotting bibliometric analysis results

# **Description**

```
plot method for class 'bibliometrix'
```

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'bibliometrix' plot(x, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

x is the object for which plots are desired.

... can accept two arguments:

k is an integer, used for plot formatting (number of objects). Default value is 10. pause is a logical, used to allow pause in screen scrolling of results. Default value is pause = FALSE.

#### Value

The function plot returns a list of plots of class ggplot2.

#### See Also

The bibliometric analysis function biblioAnalysis.

summary to compute a list of summary statistics of the object of class bibliometrix.

```
data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")
results <- biblioAnalysis(scientometrics)
plot(results, k = 10, pause = FALSE)</pre>
```

plotThematicEvolution Plot Thematic Evolution Network

## **Description**

Visualizes the thematic evolution of clusters over time using a temporal network layout. Nodes are positioned along the x-axis according to time slices and vertically to minimize overlap. Edges represent links between themes across time periods, with customizable weights and styles. Nodes and Edges objects are the results of a Thematic Evolution Analysis performed using the thematicEvolution function.

# Usage

```
plotThematicEvolution(
  Nodes,
  Edges,
  min.flow = 0,
  measure = "weighted",
  label_size = 5,
  edge_scale = 10,
  node_scale = 30
)
```

# Arguments

Nodes	is a list of nodes obtained by thematicEvolution function.
Edges	is a list of edges obtained by thematicEvolution function.
min.flow	Numeric. Minimum threshold for edge weight (i.e., flow) to be included in the network visualization. Default is '0'.
measure	Character. The method to define edge weight: ""inclusion", ""stability", or ""weighted" (default is ""weighted").
label_size	Numeric. Font size of the node labels. Default is '15'.
edge_scale	Numeric. Scaling factor for edge width. Default is '10'.
node_scale	Numeric. Scaling factor for node size. Default is '30'.

#### Value

A 'visNetwork' object displaying a time-structured thematic evolution network.

#### See Also

```
thematicMap function to create a thematic map based on co-word network analysis and clustering. thematicMap function to perform a thematic evolution analysis. networkPlot to plot a bibliographic network.
```

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#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
data(managemeent, package = "bibliometrixData")
years <- c(2004, 2015)

nexus <- thematicEvolution(management, field = "ID", years = years, n = 100, minFreq = 2)
plotThematicEvolution(nexus$Nodes, nexus$Edges)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

readFiles

DEPRECATED: Load a sequence of ISI or SCOPUS Export files into a large character object

#### **Description**

The function readFiled is deprecated. You can import and convert your export files directly using the function convert2df.

## Usage

```
readFiles(...)
```

## **Arguments**

is a sequence of names of files downloaded from WOS.(in plain text or bibtex format) or SCOPUS Export file (exclusively in bibtex format).

# Value

a character vector of length the number of lines read.

## See Also

convert2df for converting SCOPUS of ISI Export file into a dataframe

```
# WoS or SCOPUS Export files can be read using \code{\link{readFiles}} function:
# largechar <- readFiles('filename1.txt','filename2.txt','filename3.txt')
# filename1.txt, filename2.txt and filename3.txt are ISI or SCOPUS Export file
# in plain text or bibtex format.
# D <- readFiles('https://www.bibliometrix.org/datasets/bibliometrics_articles.txt')</pre>
```

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retrievalByAuthorID Get Author Content on SCOPUS by ID

#### **Description**

Uses SCOPUS API search to get information about documents on a set of authors using SCOPUS ID.

# Usage

```
retrievalByAuthorID(id, api_key, remove.duplicated = TRUE, country = TRUE)
```

# **Arguments**

id is a vector of characters containing the author's SCOPUS IDs. SCOPUS IDs

con be obtained using the function idByAuthor.

api\_key is a character. It contains the Elsvier API key. Information about how to obtain

an API Key Elsevier API website

remove.duplicated

is logical. If TRUE duplicated documents will be deleted from the bibliographic

collection.

country is logical. If TRUE authors' country information will be downloaded from SCO-

PUS.

#### Value

a list containing two objects: (i) M which is a data frame with cases corresponding to articles and variables to main Field Tags named using the standard ISI WoS Field Tag codify. M includes the entire bibliographic collection downloaded from SCOPUS. The main field tags are:

AU Authors

TI Document Title

SO Publication Name (or Source)

DT Document Type

DE Authors' Keywords

ID Keywords associated by SCOPUS or ISI database

AB Abstract

C1 Author Address

RP Reprint Address

TC Times Cited

PY Year

UT Unique Article Identifier

DB Database

(ii) authorDocuments which is a list containing a bibliographic data frame for each author.

LIMITATIONS: Currently, SCOPUS API does not allow to download document references. As consequence, it is not possible to perform co-citation analysis (the field CR is empty).

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#### See Also

idByAuthor for downloading author information and SCOPUS ID.

# **Examples**

```
## Request a personal API Key to Elsevier web page https://dev.elsevier.com/sc_apis.html
## api_key="your api key"

## create a data frame with the list of authors to get information and IDs
# i.e. df[1,1:3] <- c("aria","massimo","naples")

# df[2,1:3] <- c("cuccurullo","corrado", "naples")

## run idByAuthor function
#
# authorsID <- idByAuthor(df, api_key)
#
## extract the IDs
#
# id <- authorsID[,3]
#
## create the bibliographic collection
#
# res <- retrievalByAuthorID(id, api_key)
#
# M <- res$M # the entire bibliographic data frame
# M <- res$authorDocuments # the list containing a bibliographic data frame for each author</pre>
```

rpys

Reference Publication Year Spectroscopy

## **Description**

rpys computes a Reference Publication Year Spectroscopy for detecting the Historical Roots of Research Fields. The method was introduced by Marx et al., 2014.

#### Usage

```
rpys(M, sep = ";", timespan = NULL, median.window = "centered", graph = T)
```

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#### **Arguments**

M is a data frame obtained by the converting function convert2df. It is a data

matrix with cases corresponding to articles and variables to Field Tag in the

original ISI or SCOPUS file.

sep is the cited-references separator character. This character separates cited-references

in the CR column of the data frame. The default is sep = ";".

timespan is a numeric vector c(min year,max year). The default value is NULL (the entire

timespan is considered).

median. window is a character string that can be "centered" or "backward". It indicates the type

of median to be used. "centered" is the default value and it uses the centered 5-year median (t-2 to t+2) as proposed by Marx et al. (2014). "backward" uses the backward 5-year median (t-4 to t) as proposed by Aria and Cuccurullo (2017).

graph is a logical. If TRUE the function plot the spectroscopy otherwise the plot is

created but not drawn down.

#### **Details**

#### References:

Marx, W., Bornmann, L., Barth, A., & Leydesdorff, L. (2014). Detecting the historical roots of research fields by reference publication year spectroscopy (RPYS). Journal of the Association for Information Science and Technology, 65(4), 751-764.

Thor A., Bornmann L., Mark W. & Mutz R.(2018). Identifying single influential publications in a research field: new analysis opportunities of the CRExplorer. Scientometrics, 116:591–608 https://doi.org/10.1007/s11192-018-2733-7

#### Value

a list containing the spectroscopy (class ggplot2) and three dataframes with the number of citations per year, the list of the cited references for each year, and the reference list with citations recorded year by year, respectively.

# See Also

convert2df to import and convert an ISI or SCOPUS Export file in a data frame.

biblioAnalysis to perform a bibliometric analysis.

biblioNetwork to compute a bibliographic network.

```
## Not run:
data(management, package = "bibliometrixData")
res <- rpys(management, sep = ";", graph = TRUE)</pre>
```

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```
## End(Not run)
```

sourceGrowth

Number of documents published annually per Top Sources

# **Description**

It calculates yearly published documents of the top sources.

#### Usage

```
sourceGrowth(M, top = 5, cdf = TRUE)
```

# Arguments

M is a data frame obtained by the converting function convert2df. It is a data

matrix with cases corresponding to articles and variables to Field Tag in the

original ISI or SCOPUS file.

top is a numeric. It indicates the number of top sources to analyze. The default

value is 5.

cdf is a logical. If TRUE, the function calculates the cumulative occurrences distri-

bution.

#### Value

```
an object of class data. frame
```

```
data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")
topS0 <- sourceGrowth(scientometrics, top = 1, cdf = TRUE)
topS0

# Plotting results
## Not run:
install.packages("reshape2")
library(reshape2)
library(ggplot2)
DF <- melt(topS0, id = "Year")
ggplot(DF, aes(Year, value, group = variable, color = variable)) +
    geom_line()
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

splitCommunities

splitCommunities

Splitting Network communities

# **Description**

networkPlot Create a network plot with separated communities.

## Usage

```
splitCommunities(graph, n = NULL)
```

# **Arguments**

graph is a network plot obtained by the function networkPlot.

n is an integer. It indicates the number of vertices to plot for each community.

#### **Details**

The function splitCommunities splits communities in separated subnetworks from a bibliographic network plot previously created by networkPlot.

#### Value

It is a network object of the class igraph

## See Also

```
biblioNetwork to compute a bibliographic network.

networkPlot to plot a bibliographic network.

net2VOSviewer to export and plot the network with VOSviewer software.

cocMatrix to compute a co-occurrence matrix.

biblioAnalysis to perform a bibliometric analysis.
```

```
# EXAMPLE Keywordd co-occurrence network

data(management, package = "bibliometrixData")

NetMatrix <- biblioNetwork(management,
    analysis = "co-occurrences",
    network = "keywords", sep = ";"
)

net <- networkPlot(NetMatrix,
    n = 30, type = "auto",
    Title = "Co-occurrence Network", labelsize = 1, verbose = FALSE</pre>
```

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```
graph <- splitCommunities(net$graph, n = 30)</pre>
```

stopwords

List of English stopwords.

# Description

A character vector containing a complete list of English stopwords

Data are used by biblioAnalysis function to extract Country Field of Cited References and Authors.

## **Format**

A character vector with 665 rows.

summary.bibliometrix Summarizing bibliometric analysis results

#### **Description**

summary method for class 'bibliometrix'

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'bibliometrix'
summary(object, ...)
```

# Arguments

object is the object for which a summary is desired.

... can accept two arguments:

k integer, used for table formatting (number of rows). Default value is 10. pause logical, used to allow pause in screen scrolling of results. Default value

is pause = FALSE.

width integer, used to define screen output width. Default value is width = 120.

verbose logical, used to allow screen output. Default is TRUE.

#### Value

The function summary computes and returns a list of summary statistics of the object of class bibliometrics.

the list contains the following objects:

MainInformation Main Information about Data
AnnualProduction Annual Scientific Production
AnnualGrowthRate MostProdAuthors Most Productive Authors

MostProdAuthors Most Productive Authors

MostCitedPapers Top manuscripts per number of citations

MostProdCountries Corresponding Author's Countries
TCperCountries Total Citation per Countries
MostRelSources Most Relevant Sources
MostRelKeywords Most Relevant Keywords

#### See Also

```
biblioAnalysis function for bibliometric analysis plot to draw some useful plots of the results.
```

#### **Examples**

```
data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")
results <- biblioAnalysis(scientometrics)
summary(results)</pre>
```

```
summary.bibliometrix_netstat
```

Summarizing network analysis results

# Description

```
summary method for class 'bibliometrix_netstat'
```

#### **Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'bibliometrix_netstat'
summary(object, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

object is the object for which a summary is desired.

... can accept two arguments:

k integer, used for table formatting (number of rows). Default value is 10.

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# Value

The function summary computes and returns on display several statistics both at network and vertex level

# **Examples**

tableTag

Tabulate elements from a Tag Field column

# **Description**

It tabulates elements from a Tag Field column of a bibliographic data frame.

#### Usage

```
tableTag(
   M,
   Tag = "CR",
   sep = ";",
   ngrams = 1,
   remove.terms = NULL,
   synonyms = NULL
)
```

# **Arguments**

М	is a data frame obtained by the converting function convert2df. It is a data matrix with cases corresponding to articles and variables to Field Tag in the original WoS or SCOPUS file.
Tag	is a character object. It indicates one of the field tags of the standard ISI WoS Field Tag codify.
sep	is the field separator character. This character separates strings in each column of the data frame. The default is $sep = "$ ;".
ngrams	is an integer between 1 and 3. It indicates the type of n-gram to extract from titles or abstracts.
remove.terms	is a character vector. It contains a list of additional terms to delete from the documents before term extraction. The default is remove.terms = NULL.

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synonyms

is a character vector. Each element contains a list of synonyms, separated by ";", that will be merged into a single term (the first word contained in the vector element). The default is synonyms = NULL.

#### **Details**

tableTag is an internal routine of main function biblioAnalysis.

#### Value

an object of class table

## **Examples**

```
data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")
Tab <- tableTag(scientometrics, Tag = "CR", sep = ";")
Tab[1:10]</pre>
```

termExtraction

Term extraction tool from textual fields of a manuscript

# **Description**

It extracts terms from a text field (abstract, title, author's keywords, etc.) of a bibliographic data frame.

# Usage

```
termExtraction(
   M,
   Field = "TI",
   ngrams = 1,
   stemming = FALSE,
   language = "english",
   remove.numbers = TRUE,
   remove.terms = NULL,
   keep.terms = NULL,
   verbose = TRUE
)
```

## **Arguments**

М

is a data frame obtained by the converting function convert2df. It is a data matrix with cases corresponding to articles and variables to Field Tag in the original WoS or SCOPUS file.

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Field is a character object. It indicates the field tag of textual data:

"TI"	Manuscript title
"AB"	Manuscript abstract
"ID"	Manuscript keywords plus
"DE"	Manuscript author's keywords

The default is Field = "TI".

ngrams is an integer between 1 and 3. It indicates the type of n-gram to extract from

texts. An n-gram is a contiguous sequence of n terms. The function can extract

n-grams composed by 1, 2, 3 or 4 terms. Default value is ngrams=1.

stemming is logical. If TRUE the Porter Stemming algorithm is applied to all extracted

terms. The default is stemming = FALSE.

language is a character. It is the language of textual contents ("english", "german", "italian", "french", "spanish").

The default is language="english".

remove.numbers is logical. If TRUE all numbers are deleted from the documents before term

extraction. The default is remove. numbers = TRUE.

remove.terms is a character vector. It contains a list of additional terms to delete from the

corpus after term extraction. The default is remove.terms = NULL.

keep.terms is a character vector. It contains a list of compound words "formed by two or

more terms" to keep in their original form in the term extraction process. The

default is keep.terms = NULL.

synonyms is a character vector. Each element contains a list of synonyms, separated by

";", that will be merged into a single term (the first word contained in the vector

element). The default is synonyms = NULL.

verbose is logical. If TRUE the function prints the most frequent terms extracted from

documents. The default is verbose=TRUE.

#### Value

the bibliometric data frame with a new column containing terms about the field tag indicated in the argument Field.

#### See Also

convert2df to import and convert an WoS or SCOPUS Export file in a bibliographic data frame. biblioAnalysis function for bibliometric analysis

```
# Example 1: Term extraction from titles
data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")
# vector of compound words
keep.terms <- c("co-citation analysis", "bibliographic coupling")</pre>
```

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```
# term extraction
scientometrics <- termExtraction(scientometrics,</pre>
  Field = "TI", ngrams = 1,
  remove.numbers = TRUE, remove.terms = NULL, keep.terms = keep.terms, verbose = TRUE
)
# terms extracted from the first 10 titles
scientometrics$TI_TM[1:10]
# Example 2: Term extraction from abstracts
data(scientometrics)
# term extraction
scientometrics <- termExtraction(scientometrics,</pre>
  Field = "AB", ngrams = 2,
  stemming = TRUE, language = "english",
  remove.numbers = TRUE, remove.terms = NULL, keep.terms = NULL, verbose = TRUE
)
# terms extracted from the first abstract
scientometrics$AB_TM[1]
# Example 3: Term extraction from keywords with synonyms
data(scientometrics)
# vector of synonyms
synonyms <- c("citation; citation analysis", "h-index; index; impact factor")</pre>
# term extraction
scientometrics <- termExtraction(scientometrics,</pre>
 Field = "ID", ngrams = 1,
  synonyms = synonyms, verbose = TRUE
)
```

thematicEvolution

Perform a Thematic Evolution Analysis

# Description

It performs a Thematic Evolution Analysis based on co-word network analysis and clustering. The methodology is inspired by the proposal of Cobo et al. (2011).

#### Usage

```
thematicEvolution(
   M,
```

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```
field = "ID",
years,
n = 250,
minFreq = 2,
size = 0.5,
ngrams = 1,
stemming = FALSE,
n.labels = 1,
repel = TRUE,
remove.terms = NULL,
synonyms = NULL,
cluster = "walktrap")
```

# Arguments

М	is a bibliographic data frame obtained by the converting function convert2df.
field	is a character object. It indicates the content field to use. Field can be one of $c=("ID","DE","KW\_Merged","TI","AB")$ . Default value is field="ID".
years	is a numeric vector of one or more unique cut points.
n	is numerical. It indicates the number of words to use in the network analysis
minFreq	is numerical. It indicates the min frequency of words included in to a cluster.
size	is numerical. It indicates del size of the cluster circles and is a number in the range (0.01,1).
ngrams	is an integer between 1 and 4. It indicates the type of n-gram to extract from texts. An n-gram is a contiguous sequence of n terms. The function can extract n-grams composed by 1, 2, 3 or 4 terms. Default value is ngrams=1.
stemming	is logical. If it is TRUE the word (from titles or abstracts) will be stemmed (using the Porter's algorithm).
n.labels	is integer. It indicates how many labels associate to each cluster. Default is $n.labels = 1$ .
repel	is logical. If it is TRUE ggplot uses geom_label_repel instead of geom_label.
remove.terms	is a character vector. It contains a list of additional terms to delete from the documents before term extraction. The default is remove.terms = NULL.
synonyms	is a character vector. Each element contains a list of synonyms, separated by ";", that will be merged into a single term (the first word contained in the vector element). The default is synonyms = NULL.
cluster	is a character. It indicates the type of cluster to perform among ("optimal", "louvain", "leiden", "infomap", "edge_betweenness", "walktrap", "spinglass", "leading_eigen", "fast_greedy").

# **Details**

thematicEvolution starts from two or more thematic maps created by thematicMap function.

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#### Reference:

Cobo, M. J., Lopez-Herrera, A. G., Herrera-Viedma, E., & Herrera, F. (2011). An approach for detecting, quantifying, and visualizing the evolution of a research field: A practical application to the fuzzy sets theory field. Journal of Informetrics, 5(1), 146-166.

#### Value

a list containing:

nets The thematic nexus graph for each comparison incMatrix Some useful statistics about the thematic nexus

#### See Also

thematicMap function to create a thematic map based on co-word network analysis and clustering. cocMatrix to compute a bibliographic bipartite network.

networkPlot to plot a bibliographic network.

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
data(management, package = "bibliometrixData")
years <- c(2004, 2015)

nexus <- thematicEvolution(management, field = "ID", years = years, n = 100, minFreq = 2)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

thematicMap

Create a thematic map

## Description

It creates a thematic map based on co-word network analysis and clustering. The methodology is inspired by the proposal of Cobo et al. (2011).

# Usage

```
thematicMap(
   M,
   field = "ID",
   n = 250,
   minfreq = 5,
   ngrams = 1,
   stemming = FALSE,
   size = 0.5,
```

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```
n.labels = 1,
community.repulsion = 0.1,
repel = TRUE,
remove.terms = NULL,
synonyms = NULL,
cluster = "walktrap",
subgraphs = FALSE
)
```

# Arguments

М	is a bibliographic dataframe.
field	is the textual attribute used to build up the thematic map. It can be field = c("ID", "DE", "KW_Merged", "TI", "AB"). biblioNetwork or cocMatrix.
n	is an integer. It indicates the number of terms to include in the analysis.
minfreq	is a integer. It indicates the minimum frequency (per thousand) of a cluster. It is a number in the range (0,1000).
ngrams	is an integer between 1 and 4. It indicates the type of n-gram to extract from texts. An n-gram is a contiguous sequence of n terms. The function can extract n-grams composed by 1, 2, 3 or 4 terms. Default value is ngrams=1.
stemming	is logical. If it is TRUE the word (from titles or abstracts) will be stemmed (using the Porter's algorithm).
size	is numerical. It indicates del size of the cluster circles and is a number in the range $(0.01,1)$ .
n.labels	is integer. It indicates how many labels associate to each cluster. Default is $n.labels = 1$ .
community.repu	
	is a real. It indicates the repulsion force among network communities. It is a real number between 0 and 1. Default is community.repulsion = 0.1.
repel	is logical. If it is TRUE ggplot uses geom_label_repel instead of geom_label.
remove.terms	is a character vector. It contains a list of additional terms to delete from the documents before term extraction. The default is ${\sf remove.terms} = {\sf NULL}$ .
synonyms	is a character vector. Each element contains a list of synonyms, separated by ";", that will be merged into a single term (the first word contained in the vector element). The default is synonyms = NULL.
cluster	is a character. It indicates the type of cluster to perform among ("optimal", "louvain", "leiden", "infomap", "edge_betweenness", "walktrap", "spinglass", "leading_eigen", "fast_greedy").
subgraphs	is a logical. If TRUE cluster subgraphs are returned.

# **Details**

thematicMap starts from a co-occurrence keyword network to plot in a two-dimensional map the typological themes of a domain.

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#### Reference:

Cobo, M. J., Lopez-Herrera, A. G., Herrera-Viedma, E., & Herrera, F. (2011). An approach for detecting, quantifying, and visualizing the evolution of a research field: A practical application to the fuzzy sets theory field. Journal of Informetrics, 5(1), 146-166.

#### Value

a list containing:

map The thematic map as ggplot2 object

clusters Centrality and Density values for each cluster.
words A list of words following in each cluster

nclust The number of clusters

net A list containing the network output (as provided from the networkPlot function)

#### See Also

```
biblioNetwork function to compute a bibliographic network. cocMatrix to compute a bibliographic bipartite network.
```

networkPlot to plot a bibliographic network.

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")
res <- thematicMap(scientometrics, field = "ID", n = 250, minfreq = 5, size = 0.5, repel = TRUE)
plot(res$map)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

threeFieldsPlot

Three Fields Plot

# Description

Visualize the main items of three fields (e.g. authors, keywords, journals), and how they are related through a Sankey diagram.

#### Usage

```
threeFieldsPlot(M, fields = c("DE", "AU", "SO"), n = c(20, 20, 20))
```

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## **Arguments**

M is a bibliographic data frame obtained by the converting function convert2df.

It is a data matrix with cases corresponding to manuscripts and variables to Field

Tag in the original SCOPUS and Clarivate Analytics WoS file.

fields is a character vector. It indicates the fields to analyze using the standard WoS

field tags. Default is fields = c("AU", "DE", "SO").

n is a integer vector. It indicates how many items to plot, for each of the three

fields. Default is n = c(20, 20, 20)

#### Value

a sankeyPlot

## **Examples**

```
# data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")
```

# threeFieldsPlot(scientometrics, fields=c("DE","AU","CR"),n=c(20,20,20))

timeslice

Bibliographic data frame time slice

# Description

Divide a bibliographic data frame into time slice

#### Usage

```
timeslice(M, breaks = NA, k = 5)
```

# **Arguments**

M is a bibliographic data frame obtained by the converting function convert2df.

It is a data matrix with cases corresponding to manuscripts and variables to Field

Tag in the original SCOPUS and Clarivate Analytics WoS file.

breaks is a numeric vector of two or more unique cut points.

k is an integer value giving the number of intervals into which the data frame is to

be cut. k is used only in case breaks argument is not provided. The default is k

= 5.

#### Value

the value returned from split is a list containing the data frames for each sub-period.

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#### See Also

```
convert2df to import and convert an ISI or SCOPUS Export file in a bibliographic data frame. biblioAnalysis function for bibliometric analysis. summary to obtain a summary of the results. plot to draw some useful plots of the results.
```

# **Examples**

```
data(scientometrics, package = "bibliometrixData")
list_df <- timeslice(scientometrics, breaks = c(1995, 2005))
names(list_df)</pre>
```

trim

Deleting leading and ending white spaces

# **Description**

Deleting leading and ending white spaces from a character object.

#### Usage

```
trim(x)
```

# Arguments

Х

is a character object.

# **Details**

tableTag is an internal routine of bibliometrics package.

# Value

an object of class character

```
char <- c(" Alfred", "Mary", " John")
char
trim(char)</pre>
```

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trim.leading

Deleting leading white spaces

# Description

Deleting leading white spaces from a character object.

# Usage

```
trim.leading(x)
```

# Arguments

Χ

is a character object.

# **Details**

tableTag is an internal routine of bibliometrics package.

#### Value

an object of class character

# **Examples**

```
char <- c(" Alfred", "Mary", " John")
char
trim.leading(char)</pre>
```

trimES

Deleting extra white spaces

# Description

Deleting extra white spaces from a character object.

# Usage

```
trimES(x)
```

# Arguments

Х

is a character object.

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# **Details**

tableTag is an internal routine of bibliometrics package.

# Value

an object of class character

```
char <- c("Alfred BJ", "Mary Beth", "John John")
char
trimES(char)</pre>
```

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