# Profiling Science and Innovation Policies of Obama Administration by Mining OSTP Web Resources

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#### 1. Introduction



- The Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP)
  - one of the most important targeted institutes for information analyst in CAS
  - bears the responsibility to develop and implement science and technology policies for the United States
  - keep monitoring for about 4 years





#### 1. Introduction

- Aim of this paper
  - Can we deeply use the resources from OSTP web site?
  - Try bring forth a sound method
    - mine the web resources from OSTP Web site to profile the science and innovation policy taken by Obama administration.





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#### 2. Data Sources

- Web resource from OSTP Web site in our database
  - URL
    - http://www.whitehouse.gov/administration/eop/ostp
  - Crawled Directories
    - OSTP Pressroom
    - NSTC Documents & Reports
    - PCAST Documents & Reports
    - OSTP Blog
    - Documents, Speeches, & Reports
    - R&D Budgets
    - Homepage
  - 582 web resources
    - 150 PDF files and 432 HTML files
    - Published from Feb 17, 2009 to Apr. 12, 2013.



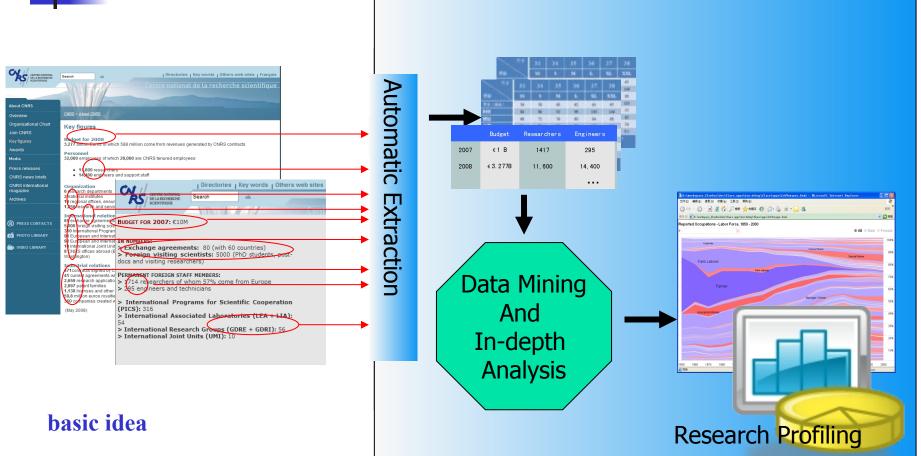


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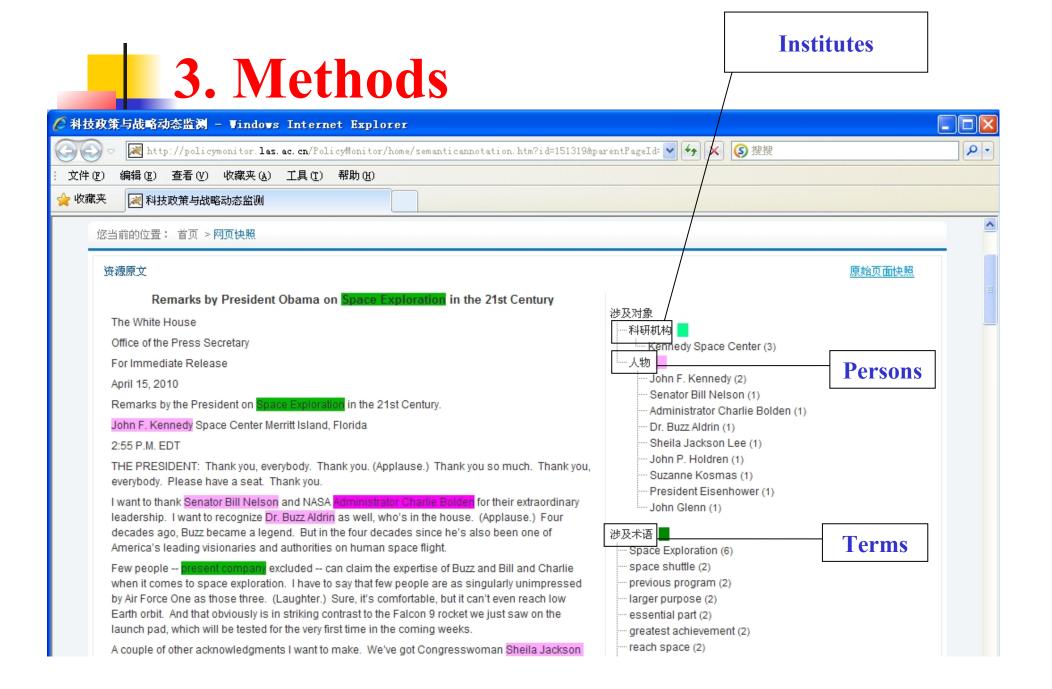






- Knowledge Extraction
  - analyze the PDF files and web pages
  - extract
    - key terms
    - objects
      - named entities such as important strategies, major projects, significant research reports, R&D spending etc
  - turn the free text into a computable knowledge base







- Count & Clustering
  - Count and identify major players (Terms & Objects) in the resources
  - Backlink count to identify the most influential reports released from the OSTP Web site
  - Perform clustering based on extracted terms and objects



### 3.Method

- Network Analysis
  - Base on the co-occurrence of terms and ojbects in a file, a paragraph or sentence
  - constructure graphs between files, terms and objects
  - perform network analysis such as
    - Terms relationship in the reports
      - term, term, same report
    - Ojbects relationship in those reports
      - object, object, same report
    - Relationship between those reports
      - report, report, same term or same objects
  - dipicture the relationship between major players



- Visualization & Profiling
  - Easy charts (line, bar, area chart)
  - Graph visualization
  - Timeline
  - Geomapping



- Tools
  - Knowledge extraction
    - GATE, Stanford parser...
  - Link analysis
    - Majestic SEO
  - Network analysis
    - Gephi, Pajek
  - Visualization
    - D3, Sigma.js, Flex chart, Simile Widgets Timeline component

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#### 4. Results

- 4.1The Key Reports Analysis
- 4.2The Policy Focuses Analysis
- 4.3Inter-relationship Analysis





# 4.1The Key Reports Analysis

- Identify the most important and influential reports released from the OSTP Web site
- Analyze the topics of those reports
- Perform clustering analysis to identify the relationship between those reports.





# 4.1The Key Reports Analysis

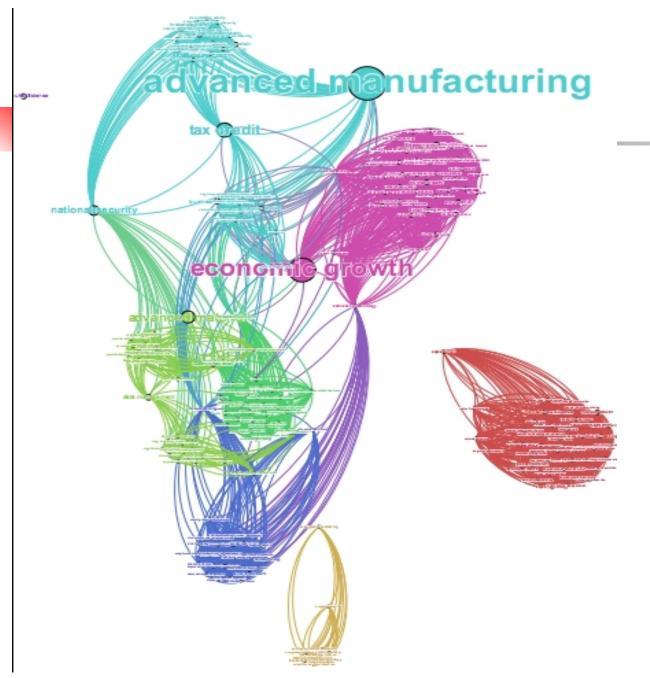
- The Key Reports Analysis
  - Majestic SEO
    - http://www.majesticseo.com/reports/site-explorer
  - 15 most influential reports from the OSTP website



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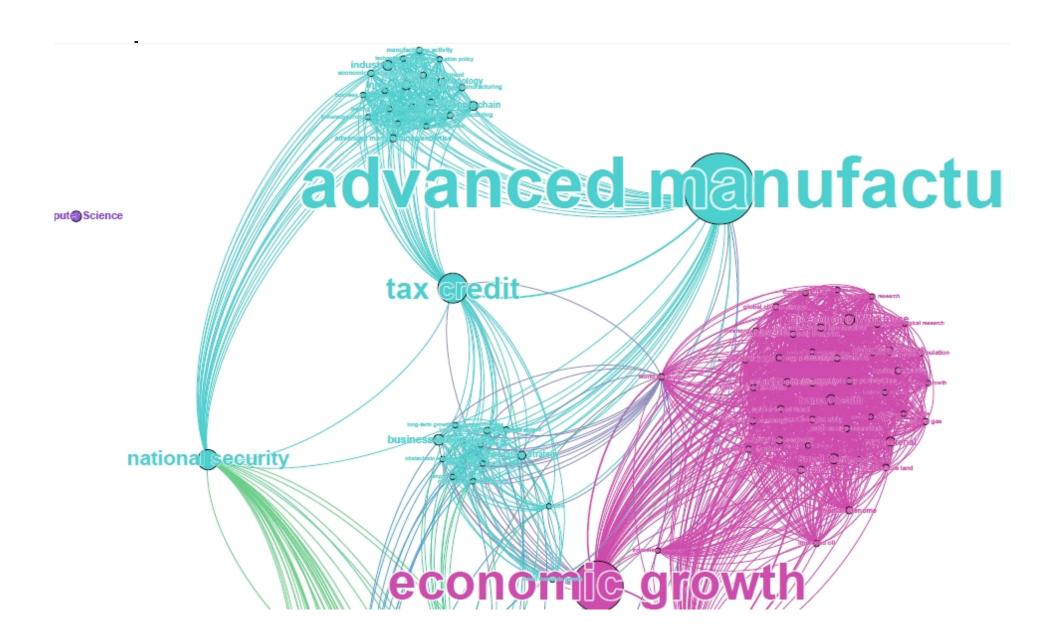
Rank	Report Title	Published Time	Backlinks
1	Memo: Increasing Access to the Results of Federally Funded Research	2013/2/22	6647
2	NATIONAL SPACE POLICY of the UNITED STATES of AMERICA	2010/06/28	2837
3	A POLICY FRAMEWORK FOR THE 21st CENTURY GRID : Enabling Our Secure Energy Future	2011/06	1150
4	NATIONAL BIOECONOMY BLUEPRINT	2012/04	877
5	Preparing a 21st Century Workforce Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Education in		
	the 2014 Budget	2013/02	854
6	Materials Genome Initiative for Global Competitiveness	2011/06	749
7	Report to the President on Ensuring American Leadership in Advanced Manufacturing	2011/06	654
8	Executive Office of the President President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology	2012/07	577
9	A POLICY FRAMEWORK FOR THE 21ST CENTURY GRID: A PROGRESS REPORT	2013/01	354
10	THE FEDERAL SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATHEMATICS (STEM) EDUCATION		
	PORTFOLIO	2011/12	318
11	SUSTAINING ENVIRONMENTAL CAPITAL: PROTECTING SOCIETY AND THE ECONOMY	2011/07	268
12	TRUSTWORTHY CYBERSPACE: STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE FEDERAL CYBERSECURITY		
	RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM	2011/12	242
13	A STRATEGY FOR AMERICAN INNOVATION: Securing Our Economic Growth and Prosperity	2011/02	241
14	Report to The President Engage to Excel:Producing One Million Additional College Graduates With Degrees In		
	Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics	2012/02	206
15	Winning the Future through Open Innovation - a Progress Report on Our Open Government Initiative	2011/06/08	162

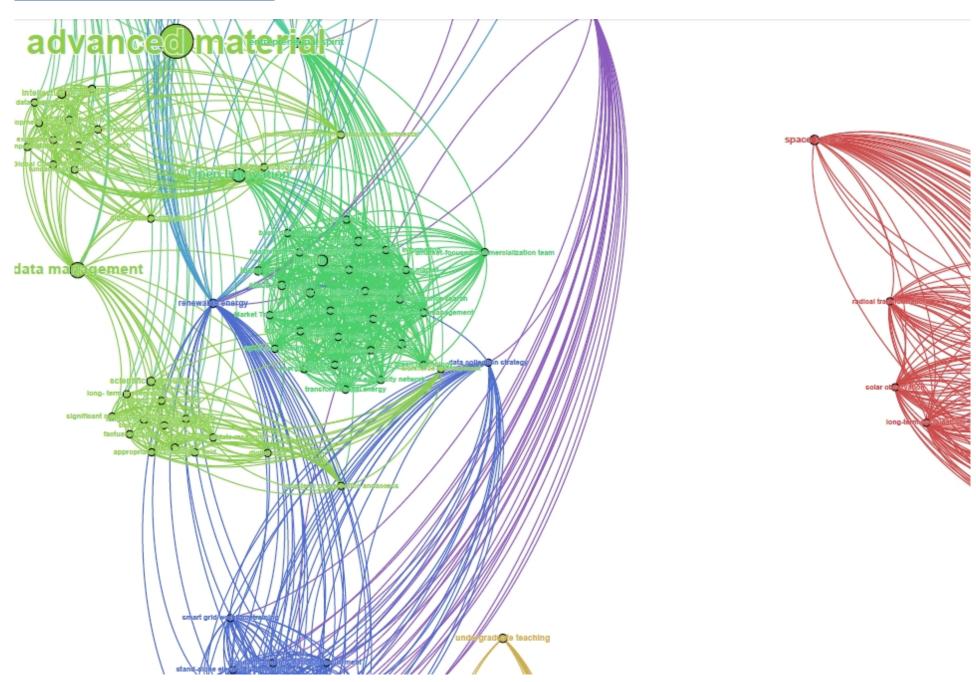




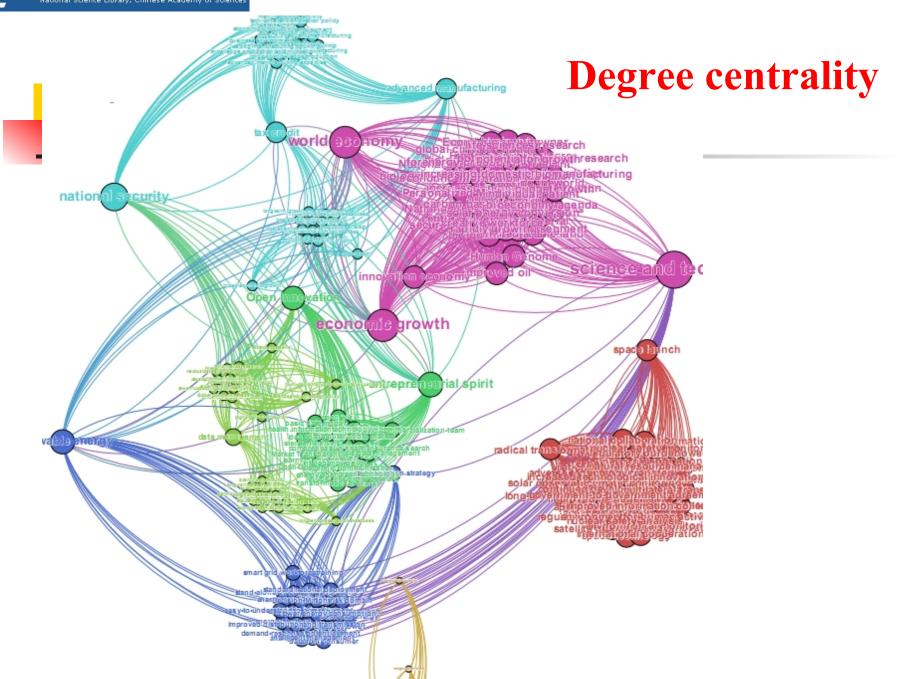
# Major topics of those reports



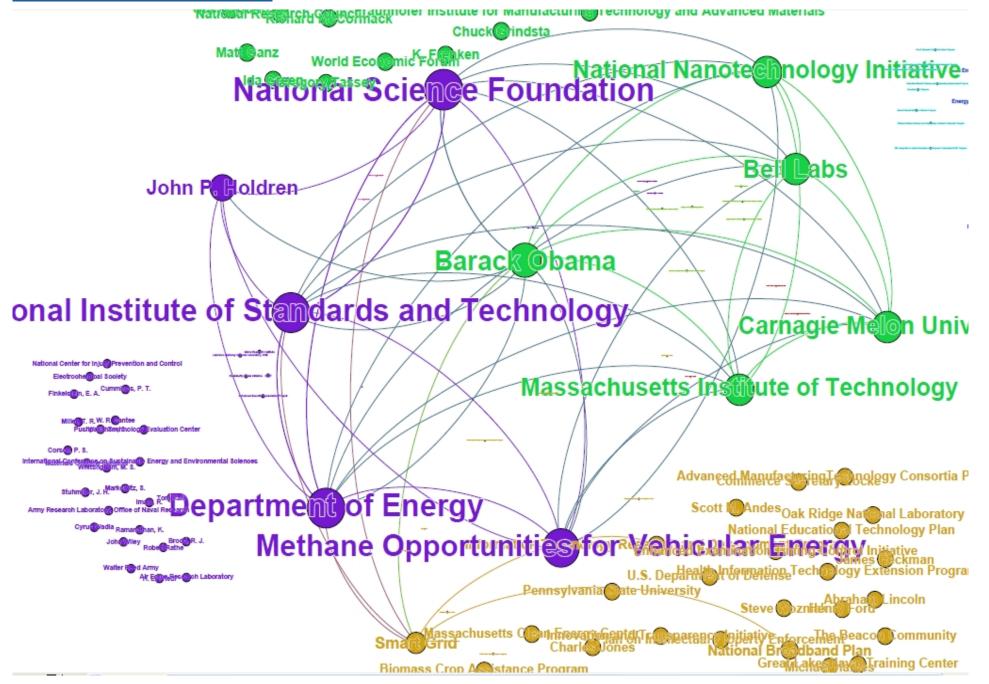








#### **Major Objects in 15 reports**





#### **Relationship of Reports**



Preparing a 21st Century Workforce Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Education in the 20





- Released directory analysis
- Hot topics analysis
- **■** Feature topics analysis
- Major Initiatives or Program analysis

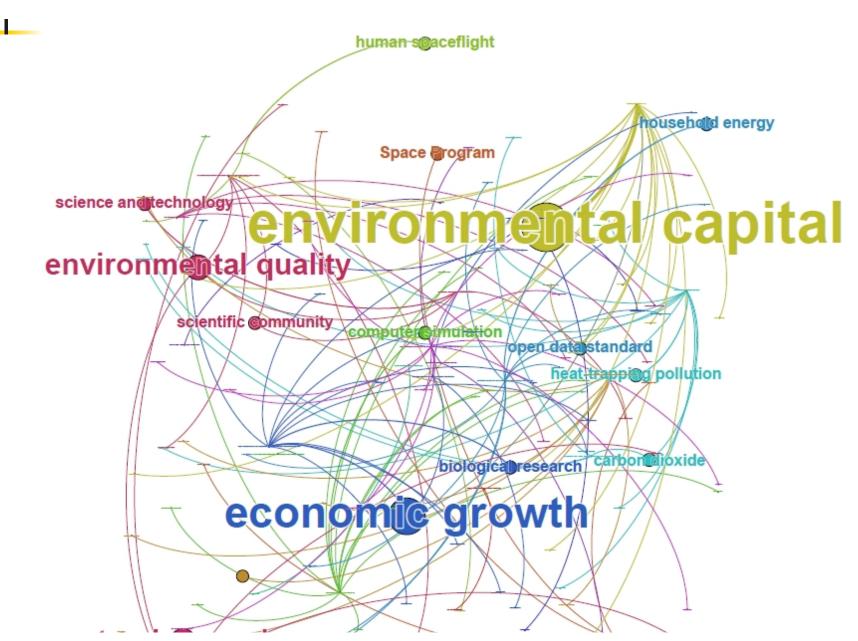




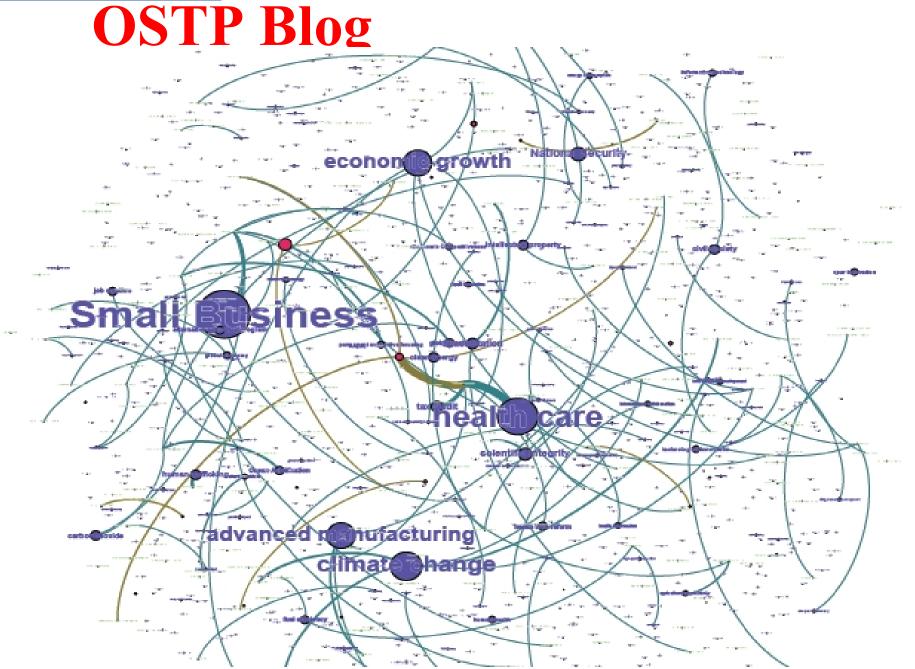
- Released directory analysis
  - To analyze the policy focuses of each directory
  - Four directories are chose
    - OSTP Pressroom
    - OSTP Blog
    - NSTC Documents & Reports
    - PCAST Documents & Reports;



#### **OSTP Pressroom**

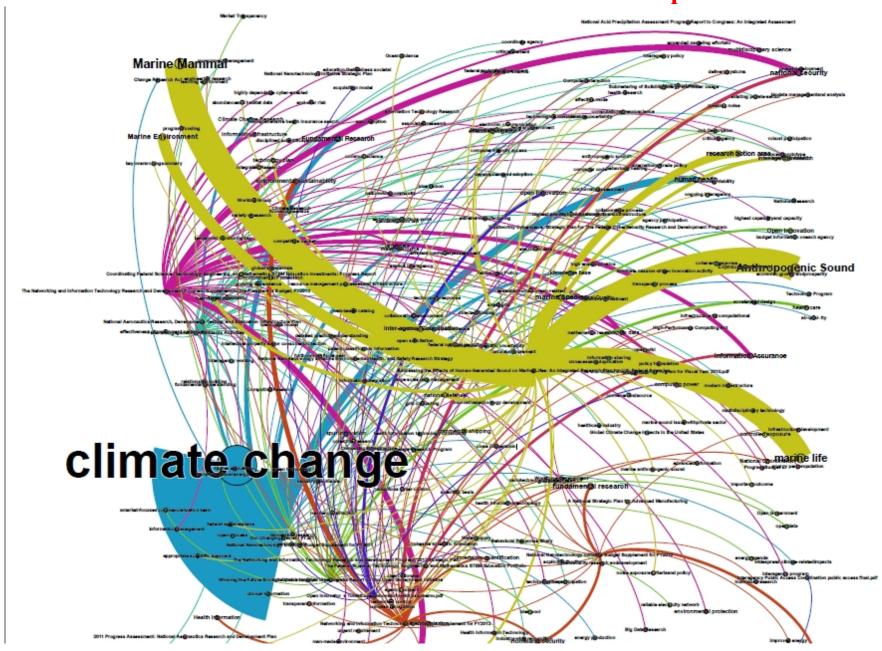








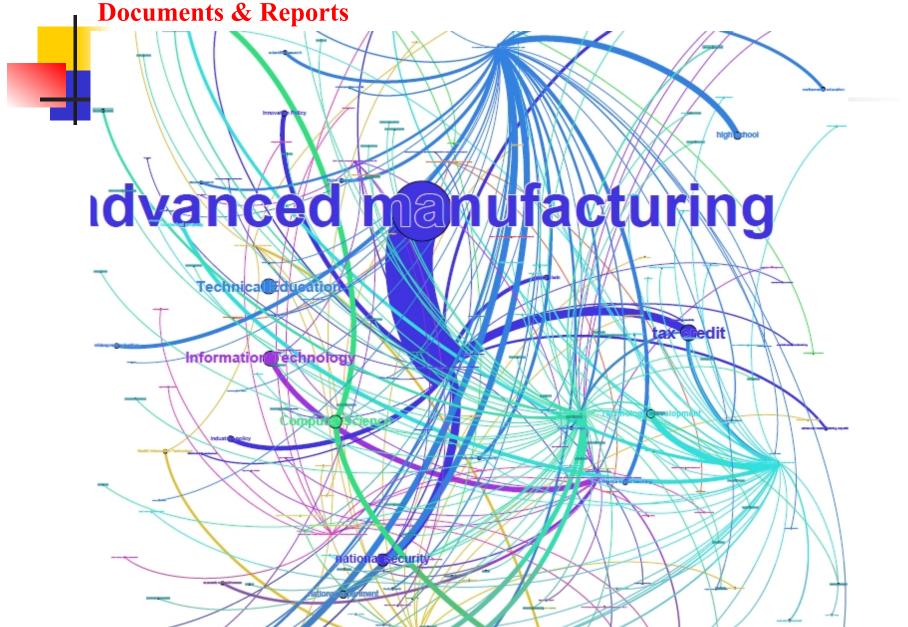
# NSTC (The National Science and Technology Council) Documents & Reports





PCAST (President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology)

Documents & Reports



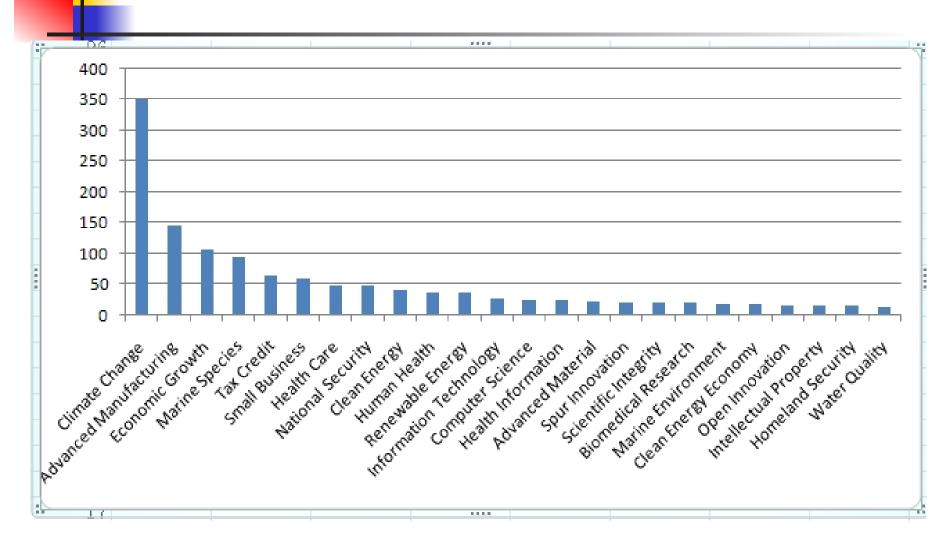




- Hot topics analysis
  - Identify hot topics focused by OSTP Web site
  - Find changing status of hot topics each year

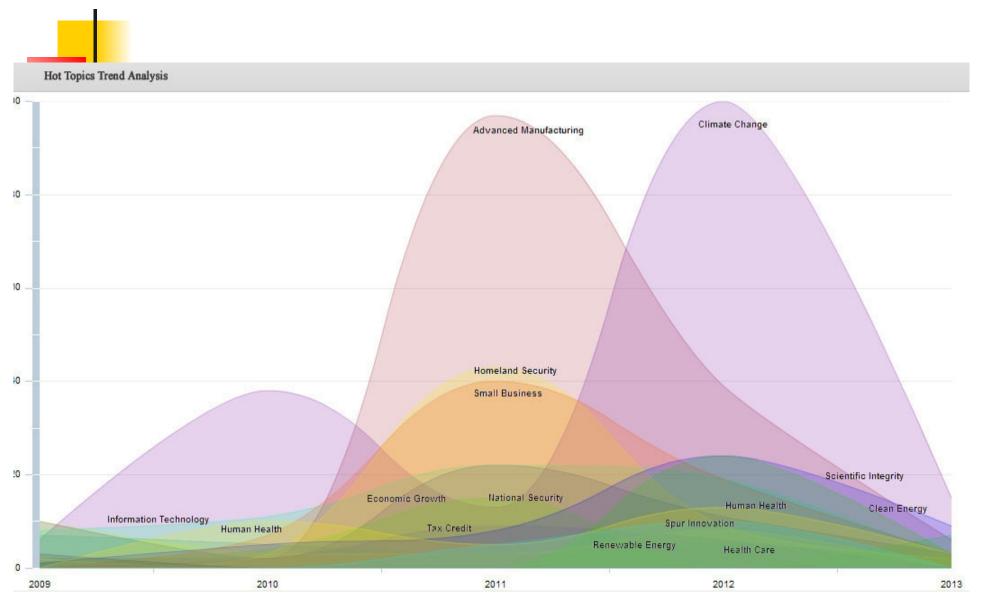


# Hot topics





# changing status of hot topics





- Feature topics analysis
  - Feature topics is a column in OSTP Web site
  - It indicates the policy focuses of OSTP

in the global economy, our future depends on reaffirming America's role as the world's engine of scientific discovery and technological innovation.

- President Barack Oham



#### LATEST BLOG POSTS

August 8, 2013 at 9:10 AM EDT

#### Honoring Tech Inclusion Champions of Change at the White House

Last week, the White House honored 11 heroes as Champions of Change for Tech Inclusion —leaders who have done extraordinary work to connect kids from underrepresented and underserved communities to tech skills and opportunities. President Obama has emphasized time and again that equipping students with science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) skills is key to our Nation's competitiveness in the global marketplace.

August 6, 2013 at 1:41 PM EDT

#### We the Geeks: "Robots"

Join our next We the Geeks Google+ Hangout on Friday, August 9th to discuss robots.

July 29, 2013 at 10:44 AM EDT

#### Honoring Open Government and Civic Hacking Champions of Change

Last Tuesday, the White House honored 14 Open Government and Civic Hacking Champions of Change—extraordinary Americans working to improve their communities through technology, innovation, and civic participation. As entrepreneurs, innovators, organizers, and community leaders, these "Champions of Change" have made a tremendous positive impact.

July 24, 2013 at 4:47 PM EDT

Ton White House Officials Convene All Star

#### FEATURED TOPICS

CLIMATE ACTION PLAN:

On June 25, 2013, President Obama laid out his comprehensive plan for steady action to reduce greenhouse gas pollution in America, prepare our country for the impacts of climate change, and lead global efforts to fight it. The Plan is a recognition that climate change is unequivocal, its primary cause is greenhouse gas pollution, and it is threatening the health of our communities, families, and economy.

- · Text of the President's Speech
- · Weekly Address
- Infographic
- Fact Sheet
- The Climate Action Plan
   OSTP Blog Post
- · What Business Leaders are Saying

OPEN DATA:

#### PRESSROOM

July 16, 2013 - Media Ar Meeting

June 24, 2013 - Media / Highlights Citizen Scien Change Event

June 24, 2013 - Fact Sh Materials Genome Initia

June 18, 2013 - Press F Highlight Open Science

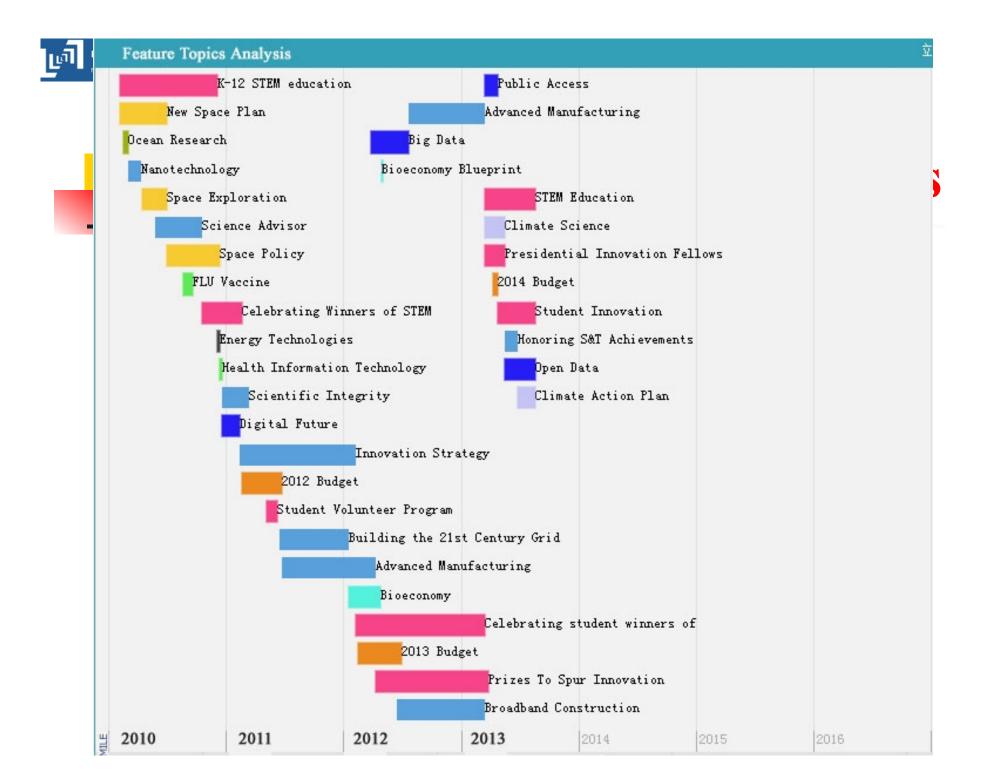
May 9, 2013 - Press Re Administration Release Rules to Enhance Gove Fuel Economic Growth

April 29, 2013 - Fact Shi Partners with Industry to Credentialed for High-D

April 22, 2013 - NEW DI to Host White House Sc.

April 16, 2013 - Press R Administration Release Economy and Resilienc

April 10, 2013 - Press F Federal R&D Budget







- Major Initiatives or Programs analysis
  - An initiative or program means action taken for some policy
  - Perform analysis to
    - figure out the most important initiatives OSTP developed
    - What are they concerned?
    - Which one is active player?
    - Are those initiatives related?





#### Major initiatives or program lists

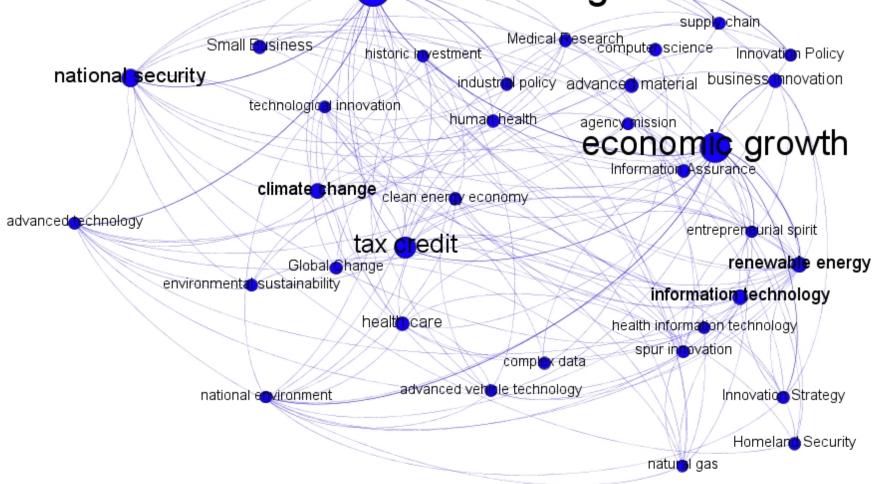
Initiative or Progam Name	Frequence	Reports Counts	Appear Time
Smart Grid	185	20	2009-9-20
National Nanotechnology Initiative	120	28	2009-5-13
Information Technology Research and Development Program	81	13	2009-5-13
Methane Opportunities for Vehicular Energy	65	45	2009-9-20
Materials Genome Initiative	51	14	2011-6-24
Federal Energy Management Program	31	8	2012-5-15
Startup America initiative	20	11	2011-3-2
US Global Change Research Program	18	13	2010-3-24
National Acid Precipitation Assessment Program	18	5	2012-1-20
National Robotics Initiative	16	11	2011-6-24
Open Government Initiative	12	10	2009-9-20
Wireless Innovation and Infrastructure Initiative	10	10	2011-2-15
Rural Energy for America Program	10	9	2009-9-20
Energy Data Initiative	10	4	2012-5-24
Advanced Manufacturing Initiative	8	2	2011-6-23





#### Major concerns in those Initiative

#### advanced manufacturing





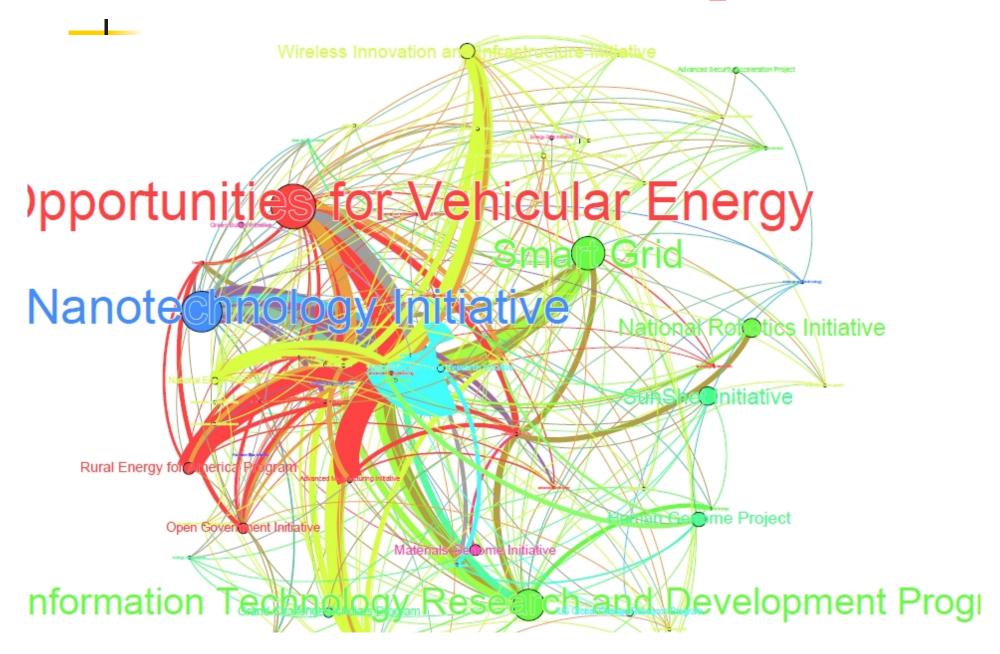
#### active players in those initiatives

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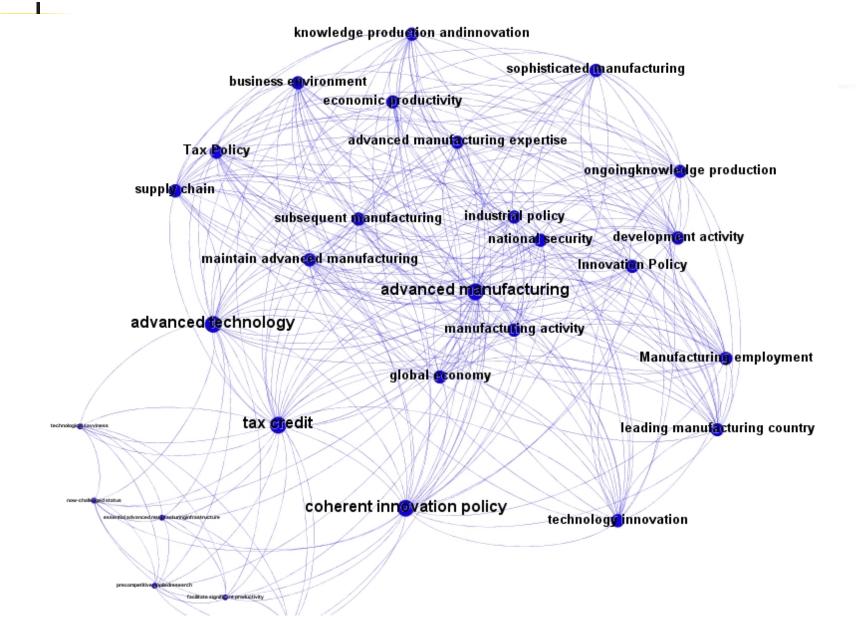


## 4.3 Inter-relationship Analysis

- Inter-relationship Analysis
  - disclose inter-relationship within OSTP web site
  - Take "Advanced Manufacturing Initiative" as an example

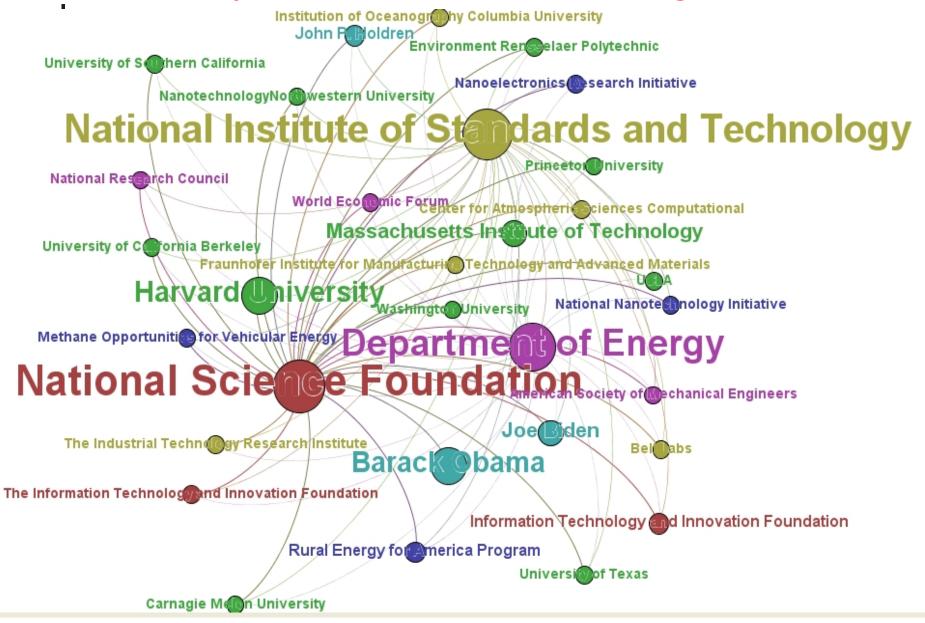


#### **Inter-Topics in Advanced Manufacturing Initiative**





#### **Inter-Objects in Advanced Manufacturing Initiative**







#### **Conclusion and Discussion**

- It seem a sound method to profile the policy taken by Obama administration
- But weakness
  - Simple, based mainly on frequency and cooccurrence
  - rely heavenly on the accuracy of the term and objects extraction
  - Not checked with policy expert



# Thanks

- Thank You for Your Attention!
- 谢谢!