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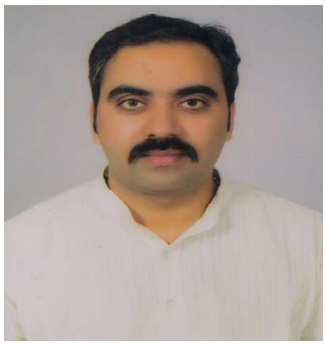

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Title and abstract:

Institutional Research Expertise and Diversity Assessments through Novel Indicators

During the last several decades, various indicators and proxies to measure research output and their impact for different units have been proposed. These measurements may target individuals, institutions, journals, countries, etc. Institutional-level assessment is one such area that has always been and will remain a key challenge to many stakeholders. Various international rankings and bibliometric indicators have been explored in the context of institutional assessments, though each has certain associated criticisms. Most of the existing indicators, including h-type indicators, mainly focus on research output and/ or citations to the research output. They need to reveal the expertise of institutions in different subject areas, which is crucial to know the research portfolio of an institution. Our team has introduced a set of expertise measures such as x and x(g) to determine institutions' expertise concerning a specific discipline/field, considering strengths in different finer-level thematic areas of that discipline/ field. Subsequently, an adaptation of the x-index was proposed to determine the overall scholarly expertise of an institution considering its publication pattern and strength in different coarse thematic areas. This indicator helps to identify the core expertise areas and the diversity of the institution's research portfolio, which in turn can be useful for various purposes ranging from institutional benchmarking to thrust area-based research funding decisions.

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