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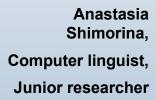
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LAB'S THREE CORNERSTONES

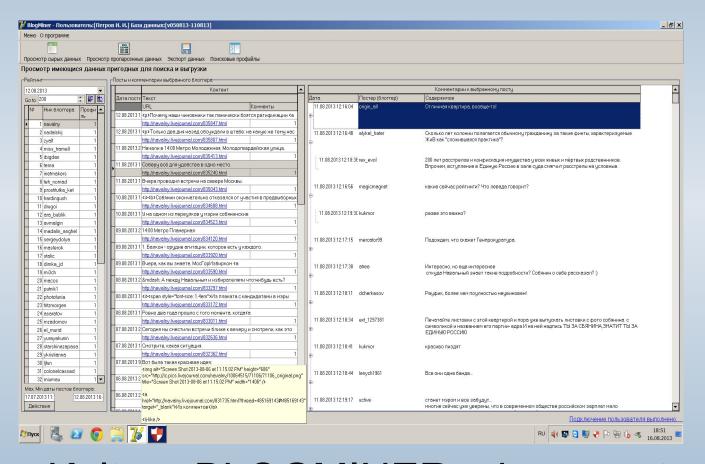
- Big Internet data
- Diverse methods & tools
- Social science research questions and goals







DATA1: LIVEJOURNAL

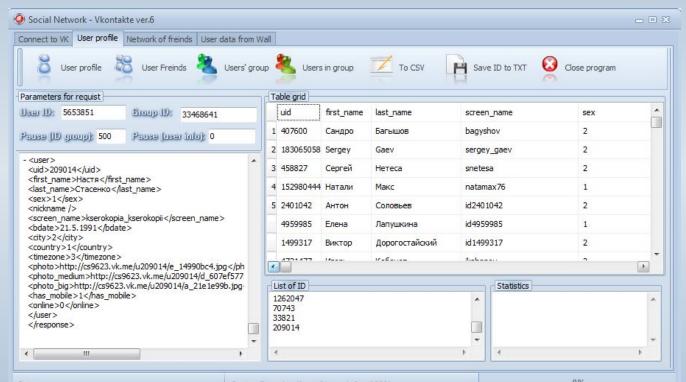


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DATA2: VKontakte SOCIAL NETWORK

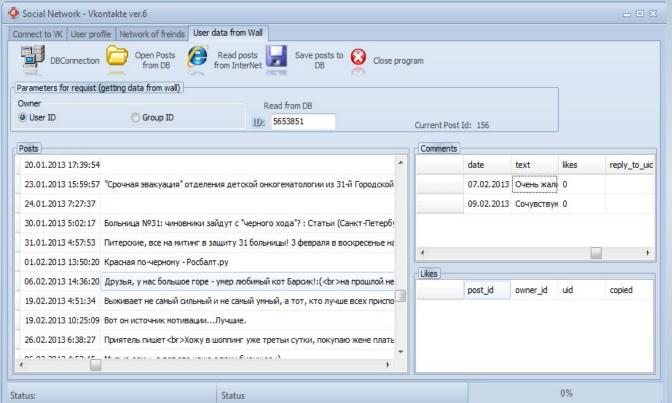


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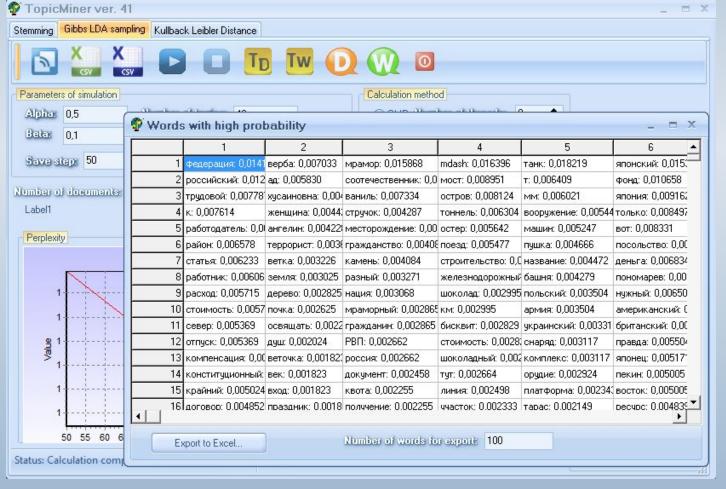
...and message boards of VK communities (posts, comments, likes, user metadata).





TOOLS & METHODS 1

Text mining: topic modeling with LINIS TopicMiner







TOOLS & METHODS 2

Text mining: sentiment analysis

Russian language tools still need to be developed

Sentiment lexicon will be constructed and tested with SentiStregth (Thelwall)

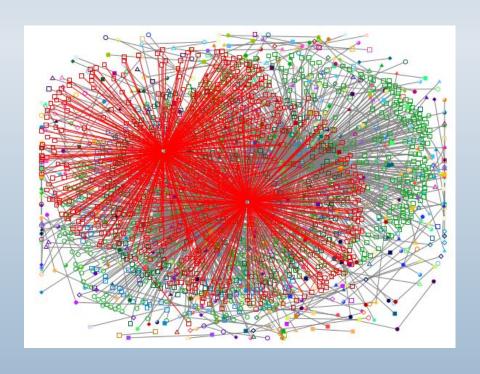






TOOLS & METHODS 3

Network analysis



Many tools exist, but most do not process data of our scale

Community detection with Louvain source code





 Online public agenda: topical structure of the Russian blogosphere and influence of national elections 2011-2012 on it (finished project)









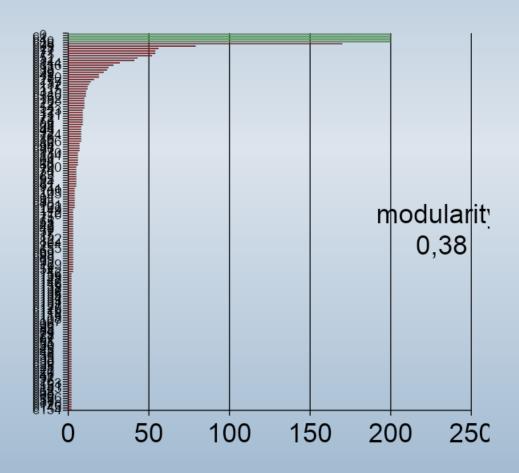
"Neanderthals are now in your backyard" (a picture from a blog post concerning Muslims slaughtering sheep for Kurban-Bayram in Moscow Online public opinion: revealing topics that arouse social tension through sentiment analysis (pilot project finished;

main project planned)

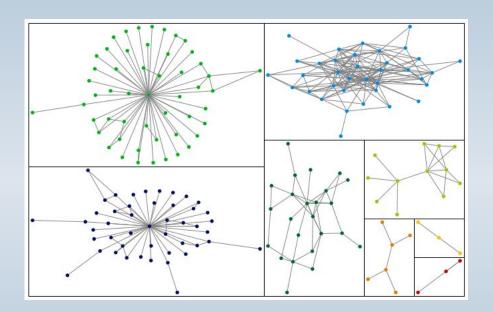




Comment-based communities, their topical coherence and authorship homogenity (finished project)

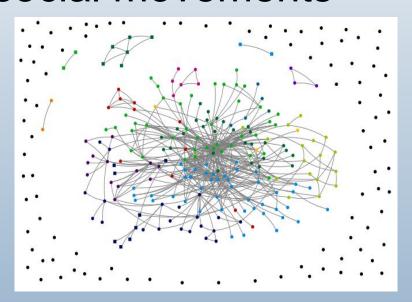






Influentials and suscep-tibles in destructive com-munities: perspectives for Internet

Network structure and leadership in VK communities of social movements







THANK YOU!

