

Koncepty a teorie významu

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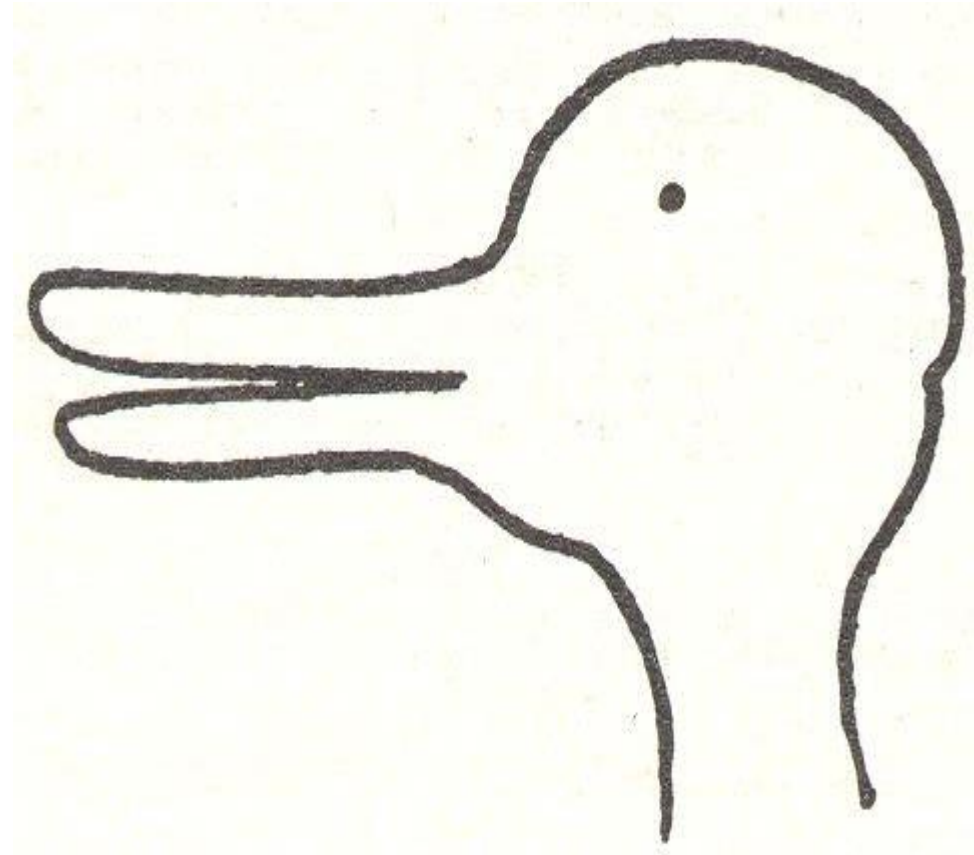
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Outline

- What for are we using concepts?
- Theories of meaning formation.
- Essay summary.

What for are we using concepts?

- heuristics
- learning
- communication
- evaluation



Pareidolia



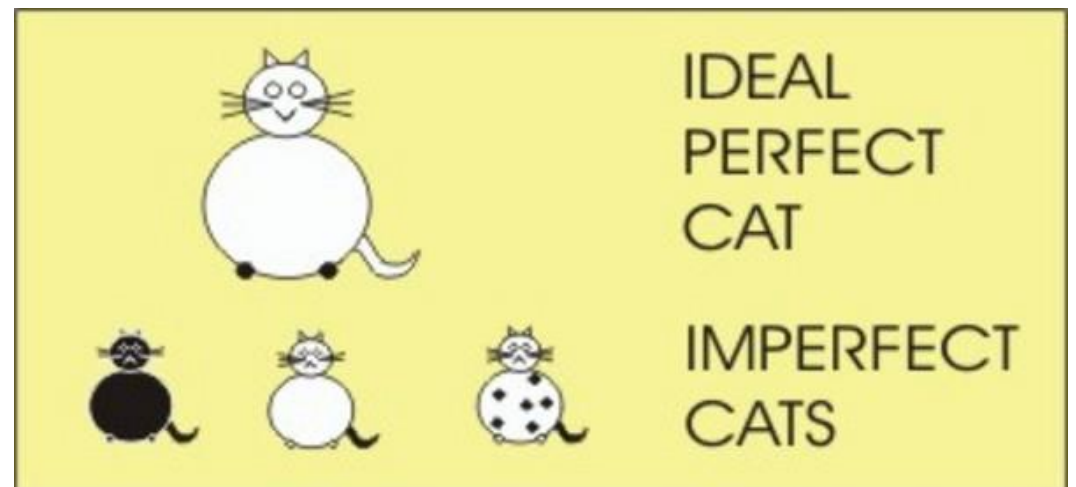
Concrete vs. abstract concepts



How is the meaning of concepts formed?

Conceptual realism.

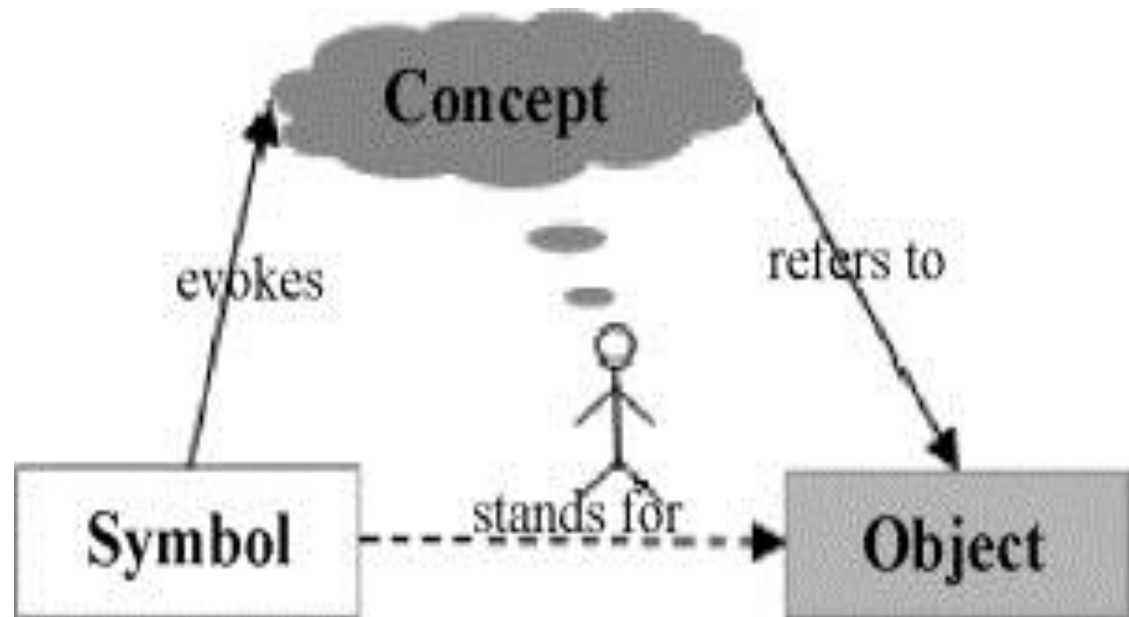
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Logical positivism.

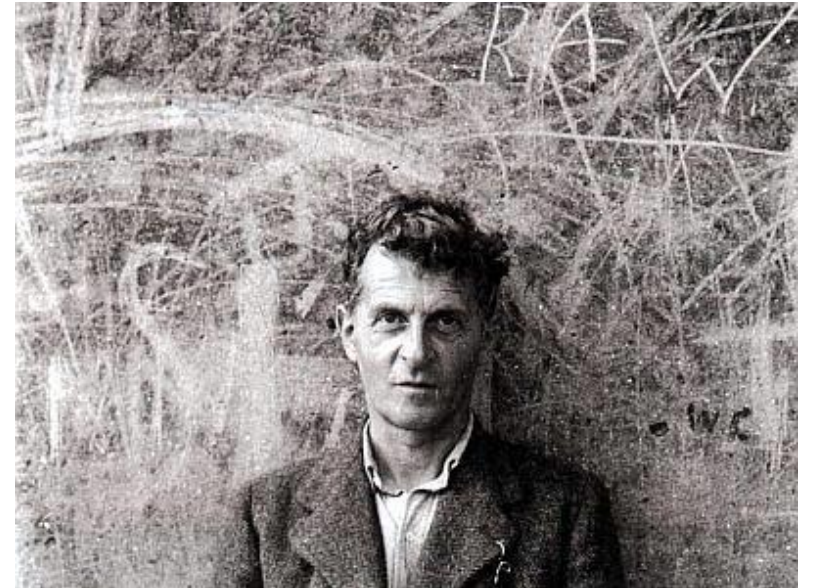
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Reference (picture) theory of meaning



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Language games

- There is no essence of language.
- The meaning of concepts/words is formed by their **family resemblance**.
- “Don’t ask for the meaning, ask for the use!”

BERTRAND RUSSELL
LUDWIG WITTGENSTEIN



THE FIRST RULE OF PHILOSOPHY CLUB IS THAT RULES, INsofar AS THEY CAN BE UNDERSTOOD, CAN ONLY BE UNDERSTOOD BY HOW THE COMMUNITY OF RULE FOLLOWERS PARTICIPATES IN THE ACTIVITIES INVOLVED IN THE RULE.



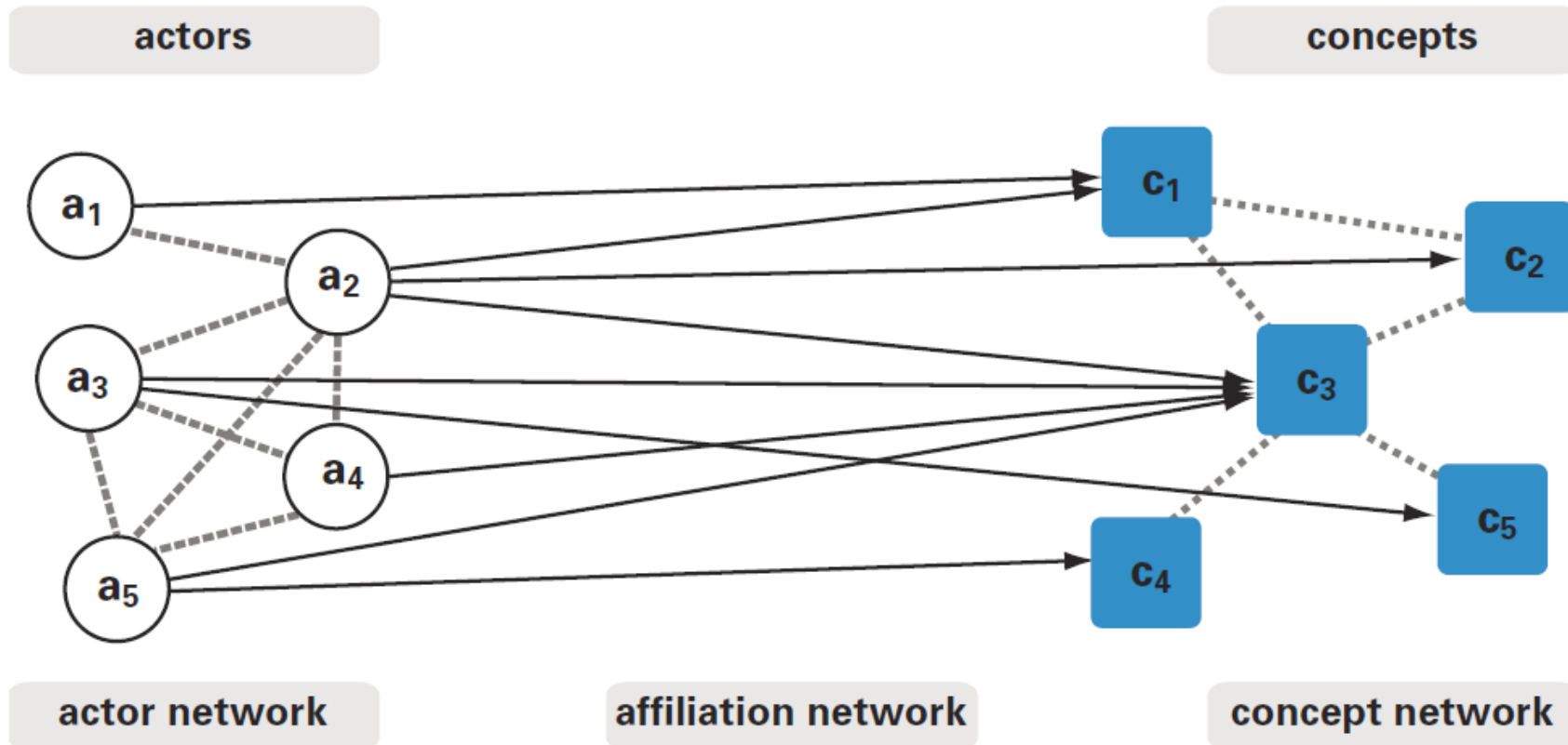
SHOULDN'T THE FIRST RULE OF PHILOSOPHY CLUB BE TO RIGOROUSLY GROUND THE RULES IN PURE, FORMAL LOGIC, TO AVOID ANY AMBIGUITIES?

THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT I'M SAYING, CAN'T HAPPEN, RUSSELL. ANY CONCEPTION OF A TRANSCENDENT RULE IS A MISUNDERSTANDING OF LANGUAGE.

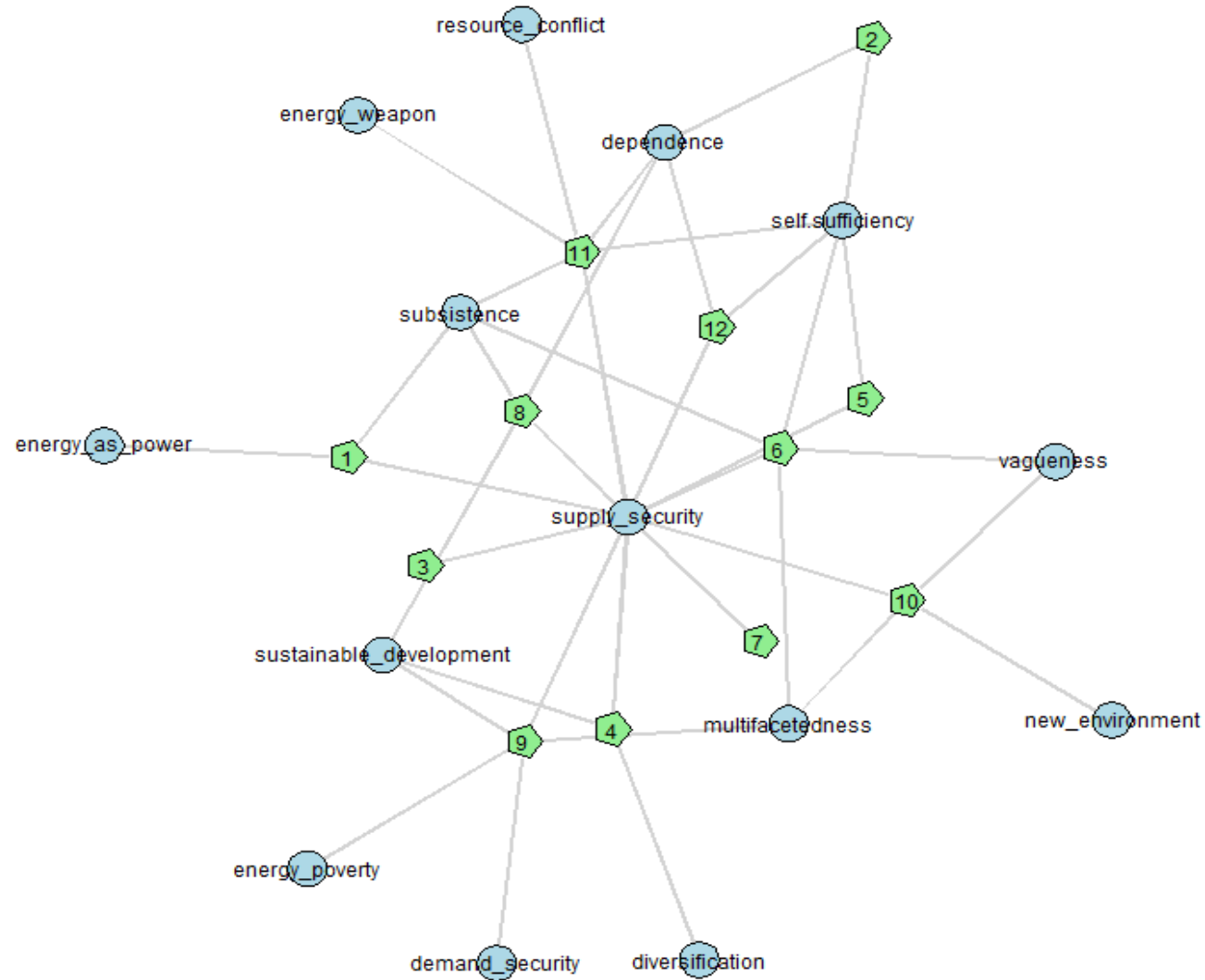


Discourse network

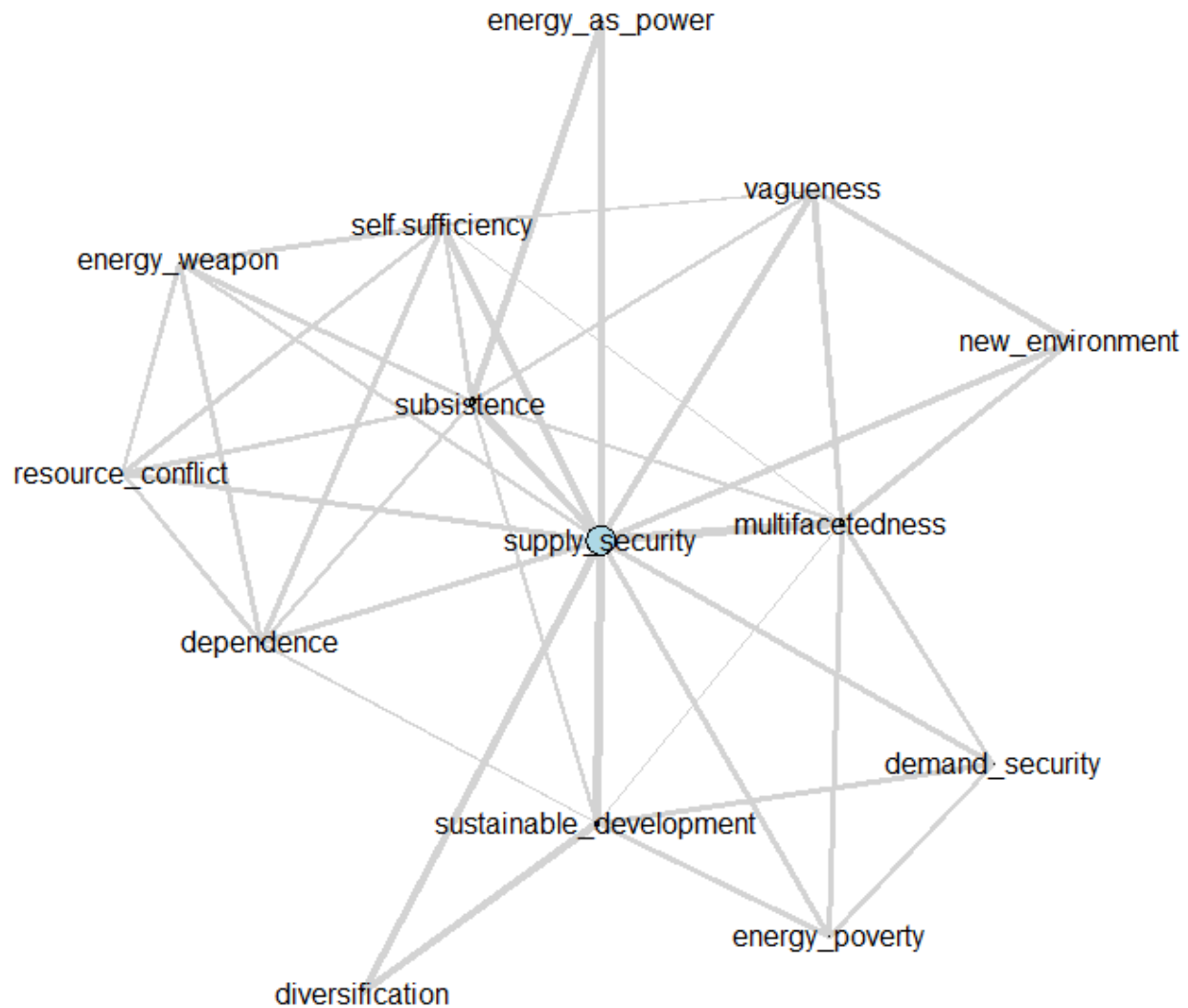
- A **bipartite network** that consists of actors and concepts.



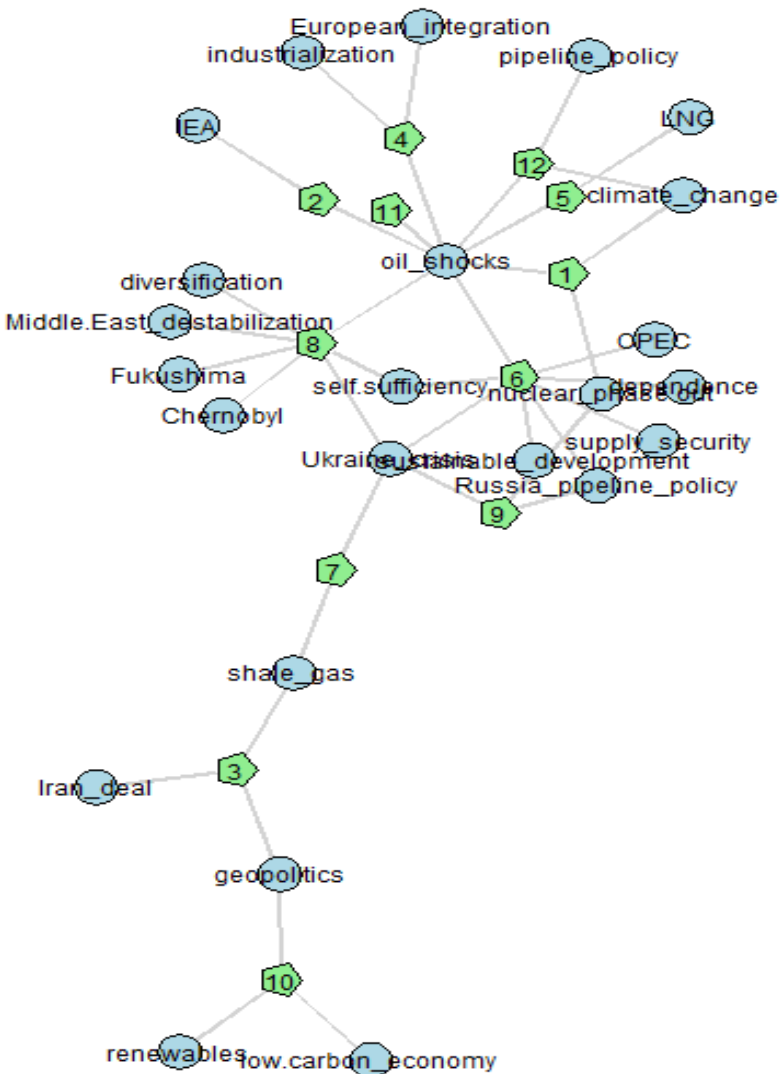
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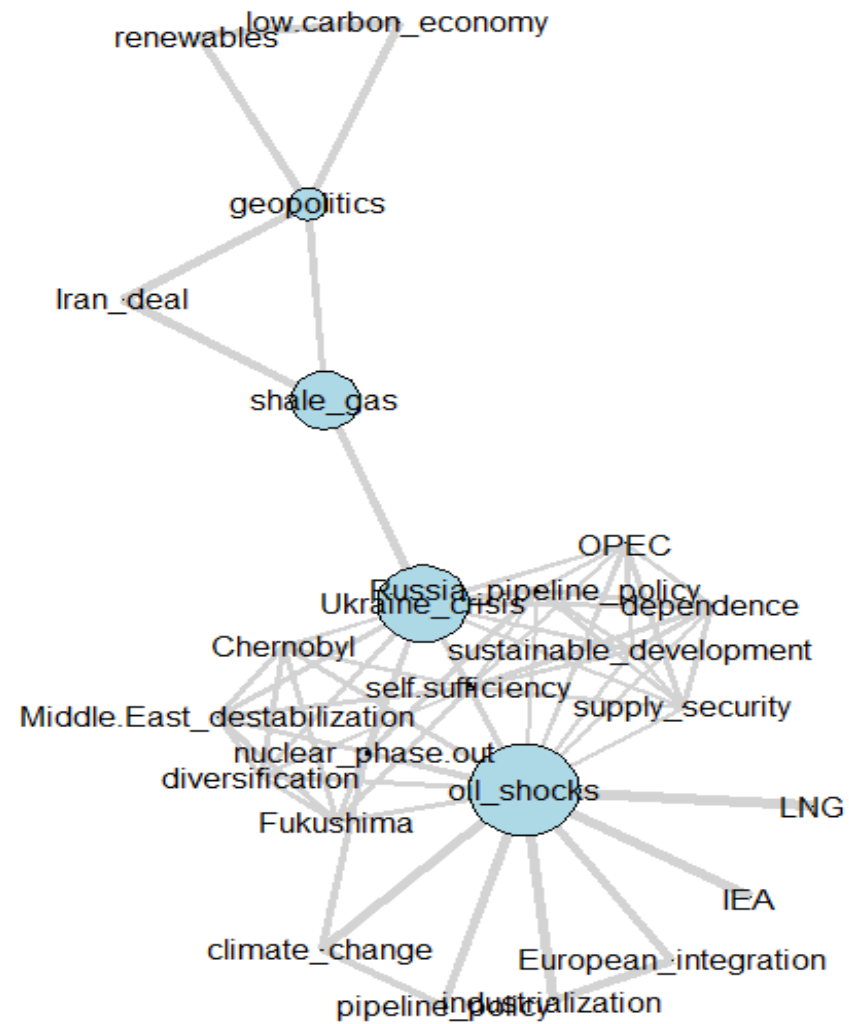
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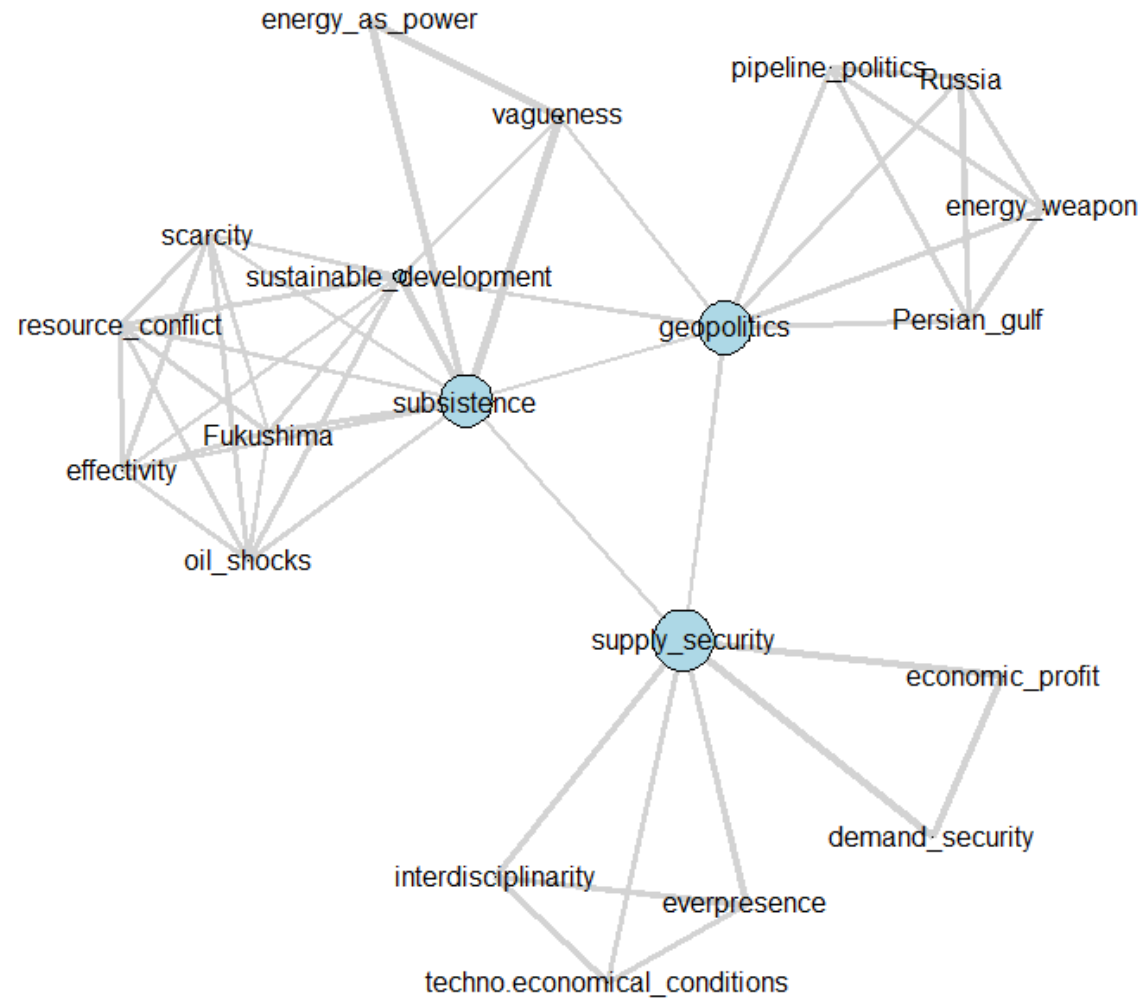
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