American Hegemony and the European Response A Study of the Sociological Space of Citations in Europe

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ABSTRACT

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The global space of sociology, seen as an emerging field of symbolic struggles, is a multidimensional structure, divided not only into the core, the periphery and the semi-periphery but also into lingual (e.g. French area) and continental units (USA-Canada, Europe etc.). While after the Second World War American sociology held unquestioned hegemony in the world space (including communist countries), over the following decades, with the development of European sociologies, American power was called into question. Nowadays, although the US sociological field is considered dominant, it faces European counter-powers with their own national and international institutions and symbolic exchanges.

In order to reveal transatlantic and, especially, intra-European relations, citations of American sociologists in European (French, German, British, and Polish) journals are analyzed. The results are juxtaposed with the citations of European sociologists – at national and European levels. Thanks to the application of a strictly relational method, a clear-cut map of European sociological similarities and dissimilarities - relations between national sociological fields in terms of citations - is shown.

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