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Academic success in America: analytic philosophy and the decline of Wittgenstein

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Table 1. 20th-century philosophers in the titles (1861-2015).

Philosopher	Occurrences
Heidegger	499
Wittgenstein	321
Dewey	302
Whitehead	247
Husserl	227
Peirce	184
Sartre	167
James	157

Table 2. 20th-century philosophers in the abstracts (1981-2010).

Philosopher	Occurrences
Heidegger	2779
Wittgenstein	1376
Dewey	1241
Husserl	1059
Derrida	846
Foucault	842
Sartre	726
Peirce	718

Table 3. Academic Success Index. Analytic philosophers: +35% with respect to Wittgenstein.

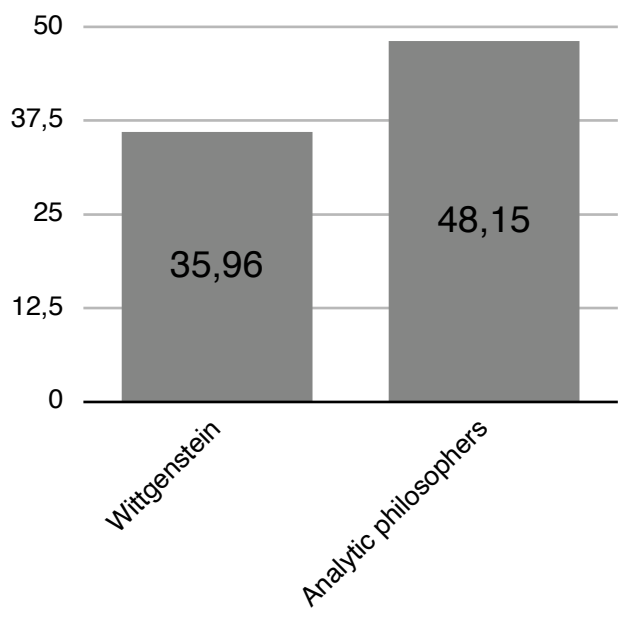


Table 4. Academic Success Indexes of 5 groups of dissertations (abstracts, 1981-2010).

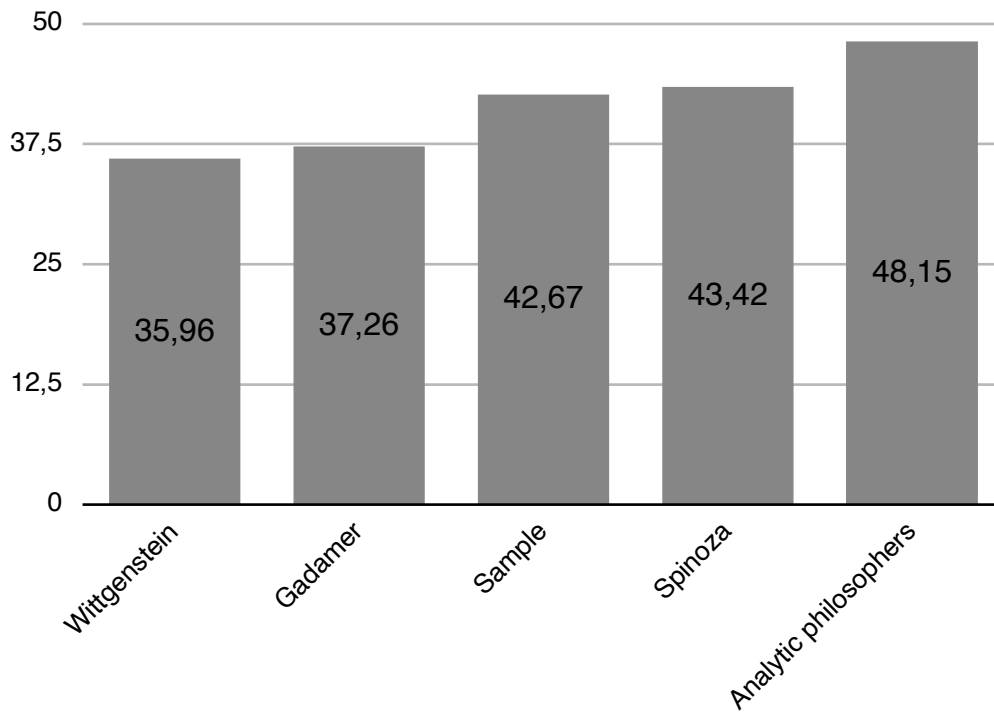


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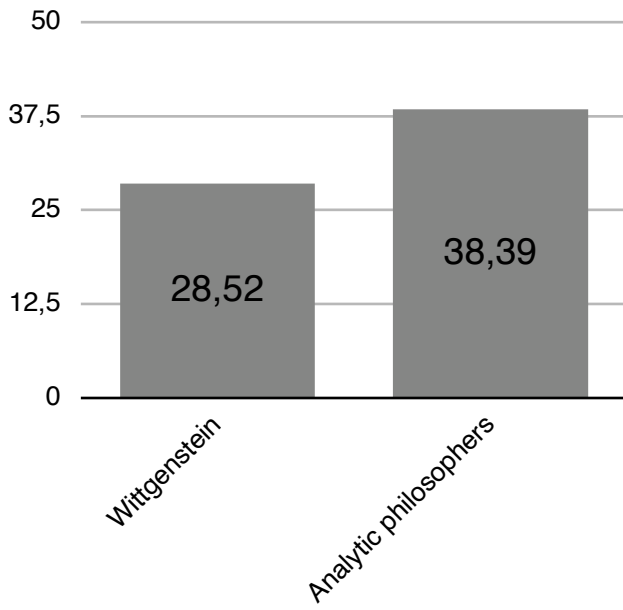


Table 6. Data disaggregated by periods of 5 years (non-normalized by age).

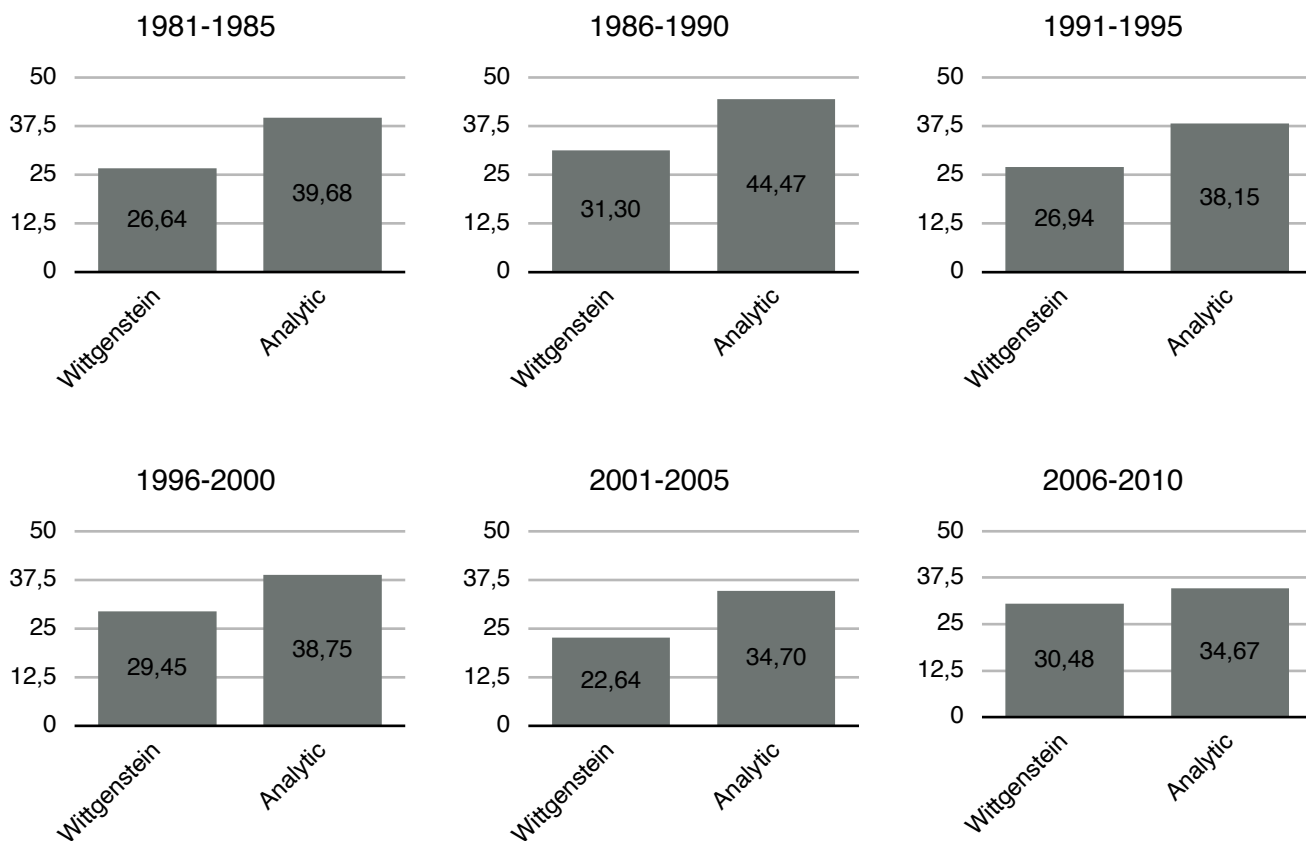


Table 7. Wittgenstein: broad and narrow.

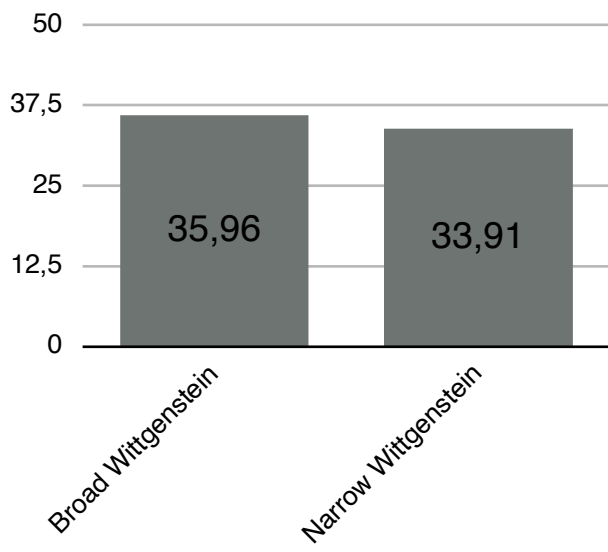


Table 8. Analytic Wittgenstein.

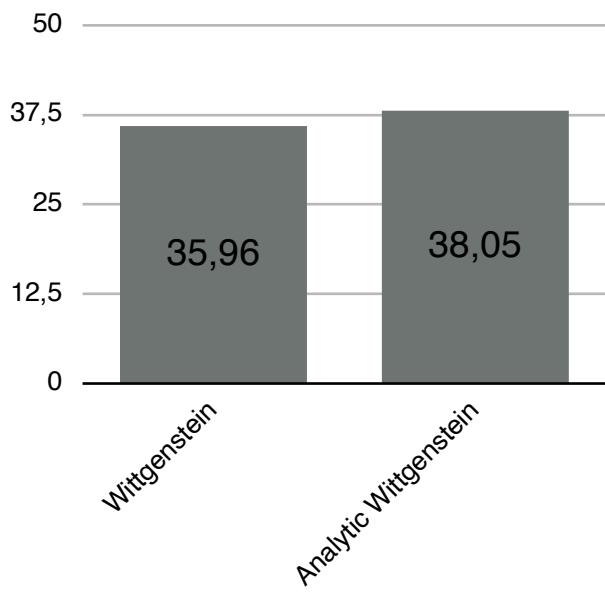


Table 9. Academic Success Index by university ranking.

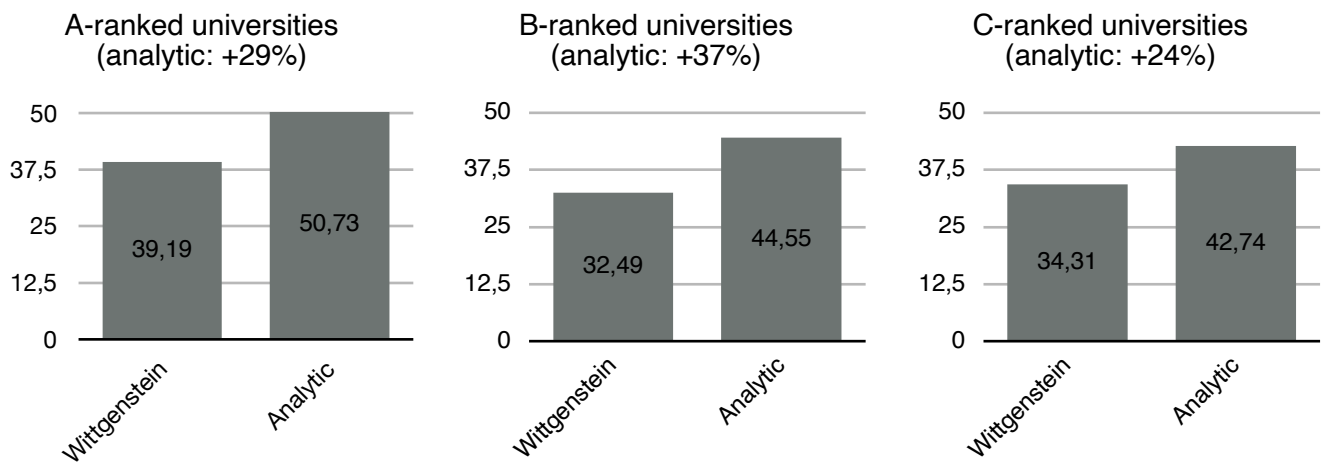


Table 10. Academic Success Index: Wittgenstein and Frege/Russell (normalized by academic age, 1951-1980).

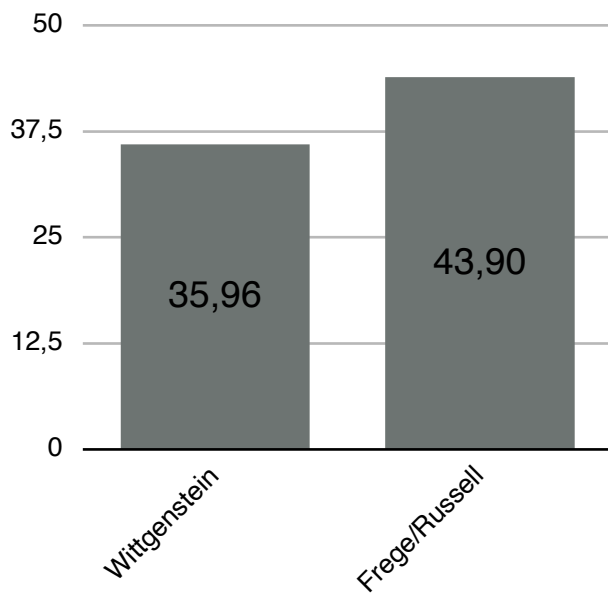


Table 11. Academic Success Index: Wittgenstein and Frege/Russell (non-normalized by academic age, 1951-1980).

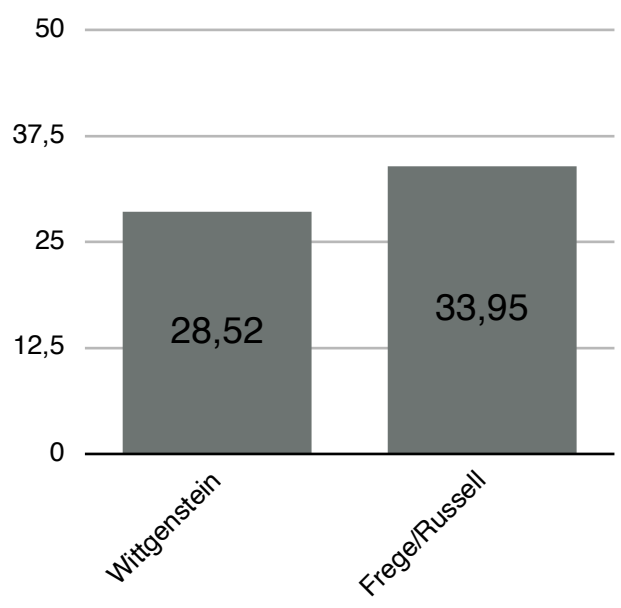


Table 12. Academic Success Index: Wittgenstein and Heidegger (normalized by academic age).

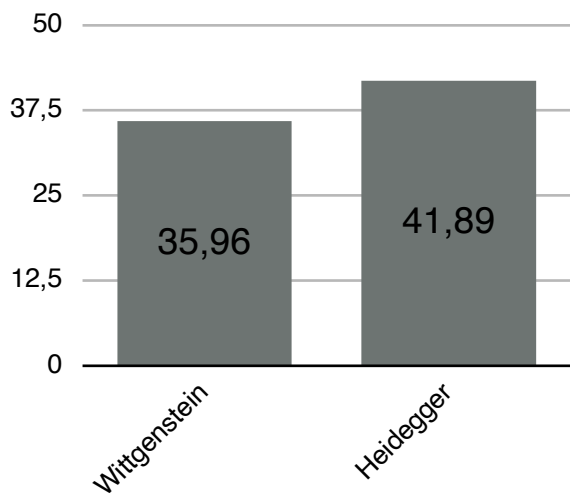


Table 13. Academic Success Index: Wittgenstein and Heidegger (non-normalized by academic age).

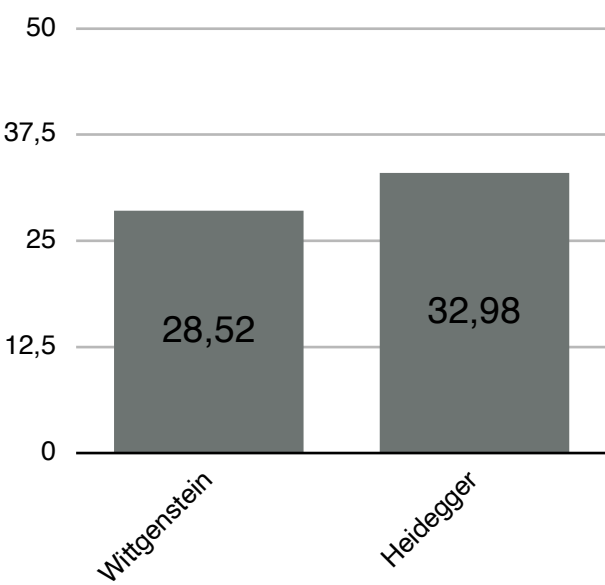


Table 14. Academic Success Indexes and topics in philosophical dissertations.

Philosopher	Academic Success Index	Occurrence in philosophical theses
Wittgenstein	35.70	74.43%
Gadamer	37.26	49.50%
Sample	42.67	67.57%
Spinoza	43.12	74.51%
Analytic	48.15	96.88%

Table 15. Wittgenstein and analytic philosophy: metaphilosophical terms (abstracts, 1981-2010).

Wittgenstein	Science-oriented metaphilosophical terms	Analytic
518	theory	946
314	account	564
276	problem	379
245	argument	499
164	claim	197
145	thesis	186
47	explanation	167
82	solution	150
52	objection	119
0	system	98
18	puzzle	89
58	result	89
58	conclusion	85
64	assumption	72
18	constraint	60
0	hypothesis	49
36	consequence	48
24	defense	44
18	requirement	38
0	attack	31
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Table 16. Percentage of dissertations in which 'Wittgenstein' occurs in the abstract (3 decades: 1981-2010).

Decades	Wittgenstein theses / overall PhD theses
1981-1990	2.79%
1991-2000	1.93%
2001-2010	1.20%

Table 17. Academic Success Indexes of 4 groups of dissertations (1951-1980).

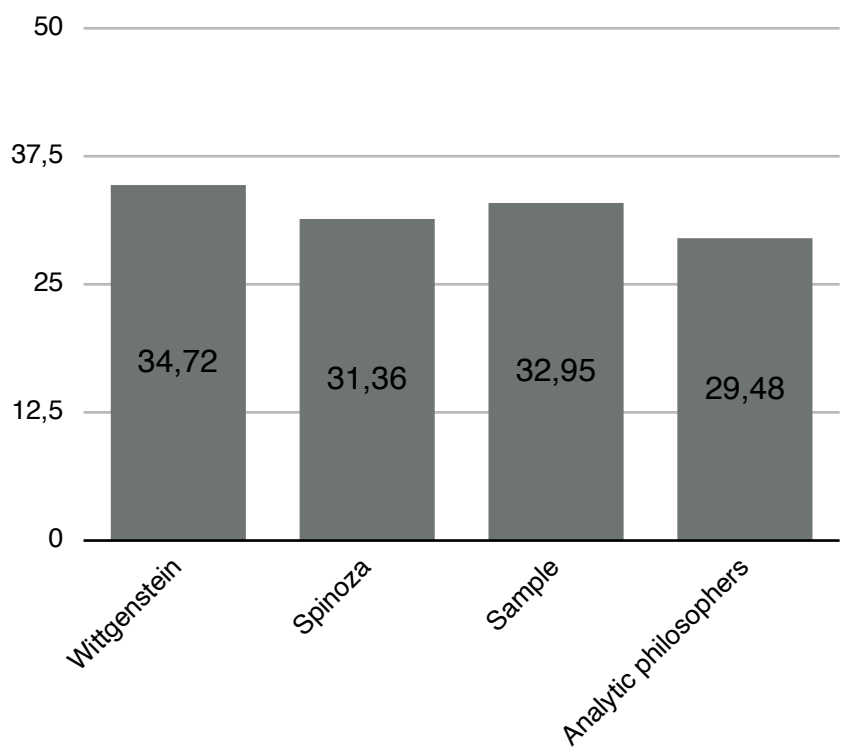


Table 18. Wittgenstein: Academic Success Index (non-normalized) and occurrences in titles of dissertations.

Decade	Academic Success Index	Occurrence in titles
1951-1960	55.00	0.19%
1961-1970	47.16	1.55%
1971-1980	28.55	1.85%
1981-1990	31.41	1.45%
1991-2000	23.66	1.30%
2001-2010	29.51	0.78%