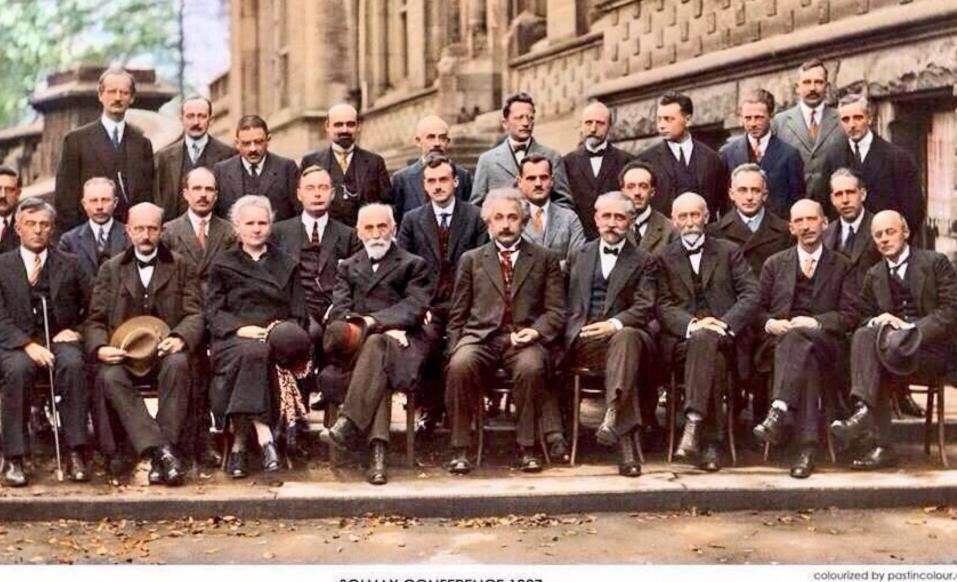
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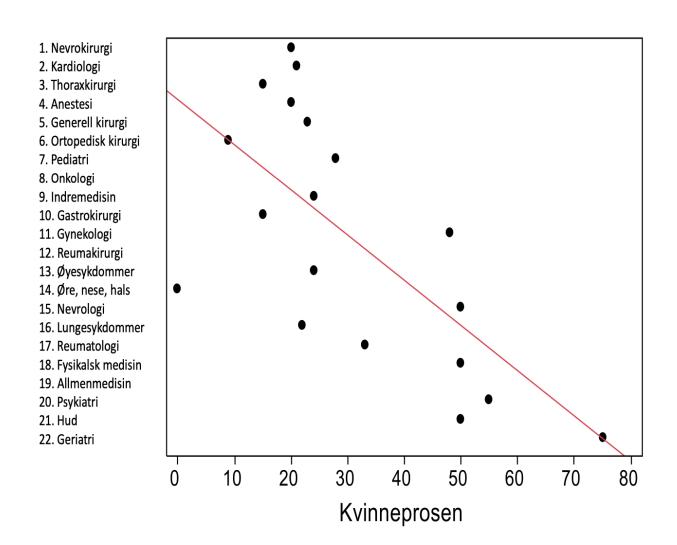
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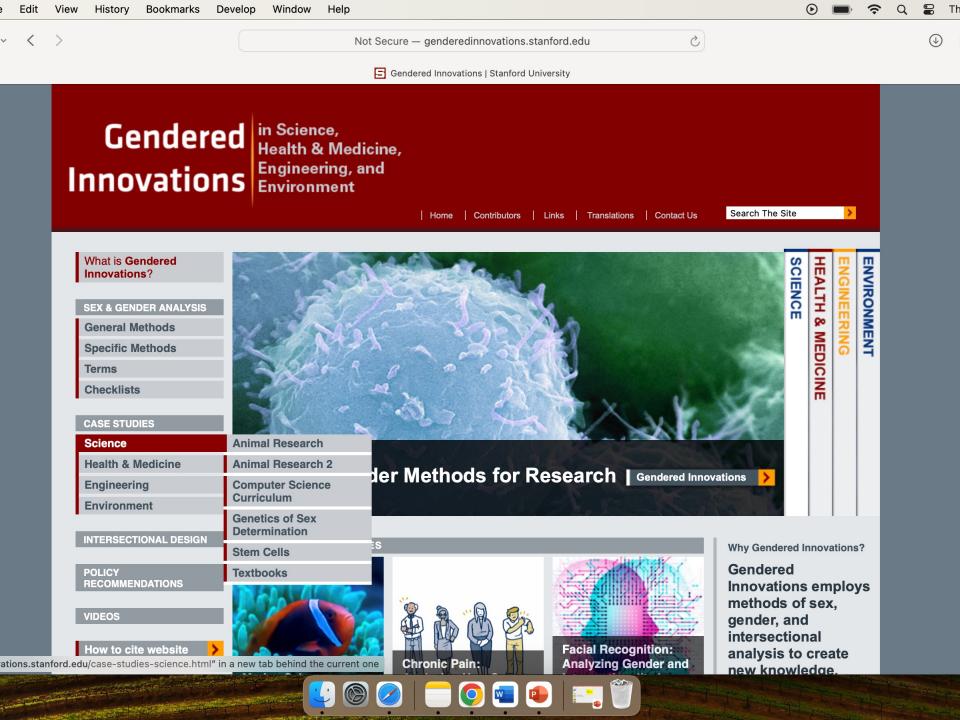
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#### This is Thin Privilege



## Sandra Harding (1935-)



**Epistemology** 



Methodology



Standpoint theory



"Strong objectivity"



Whose Science? Whose

Sandra Harding

Knowledge?

Thinking from Women's Lives

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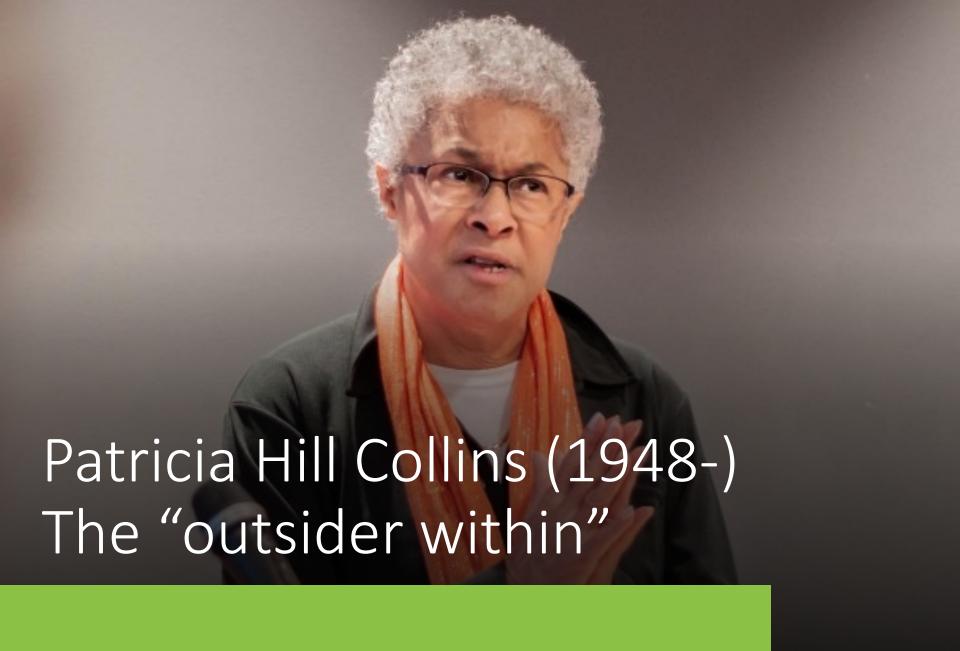
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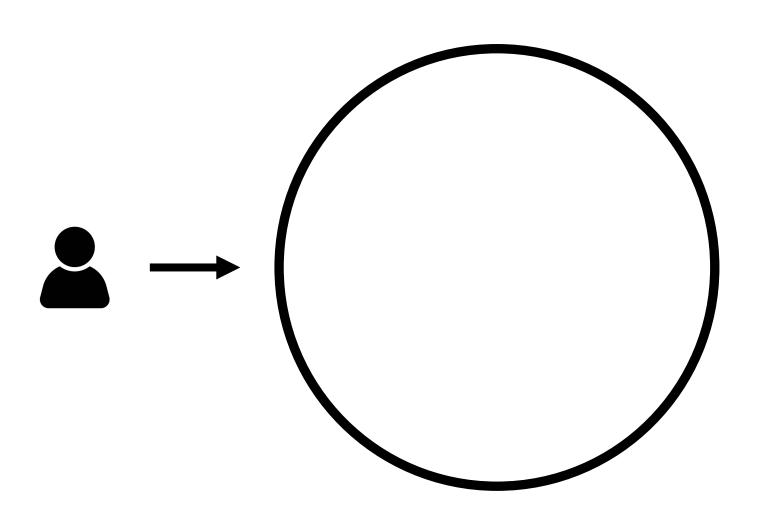
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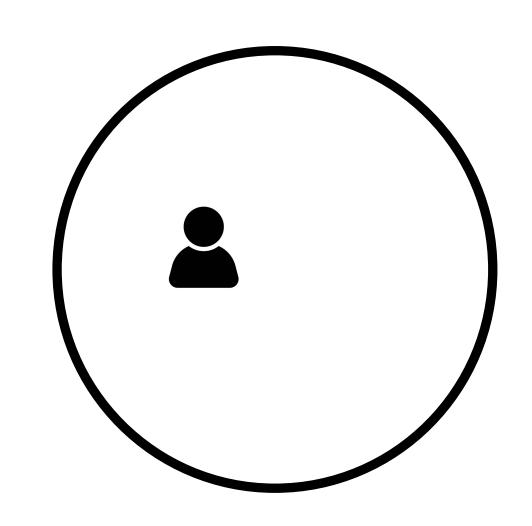




## Where are you?



## Where are you?



# Donna Haraway (1944-)

"Situated knowledge"

"Partial perspective"

"To play the God trick"



Vision and the lens (metaphors)

 Embodied, technologically mediated, always partial

Infinite vision is an illusion: «to play the god trick»



### Take-home message: Your social location situates you as a knowing subject

- Your ascribed social identities (gender, race, sexual orientation, caste, class, kinship status, trans/cis etc.)
- The social relations/roles affected by these identities
- Social norms that prescribe different behaviour, values, emotions, and skills thought to be appropriate for your role
- Your attitudes toward your ascribed identities: pride, shame, affirmation, rejection...