Turnitin: A tool of anti-plagiarism

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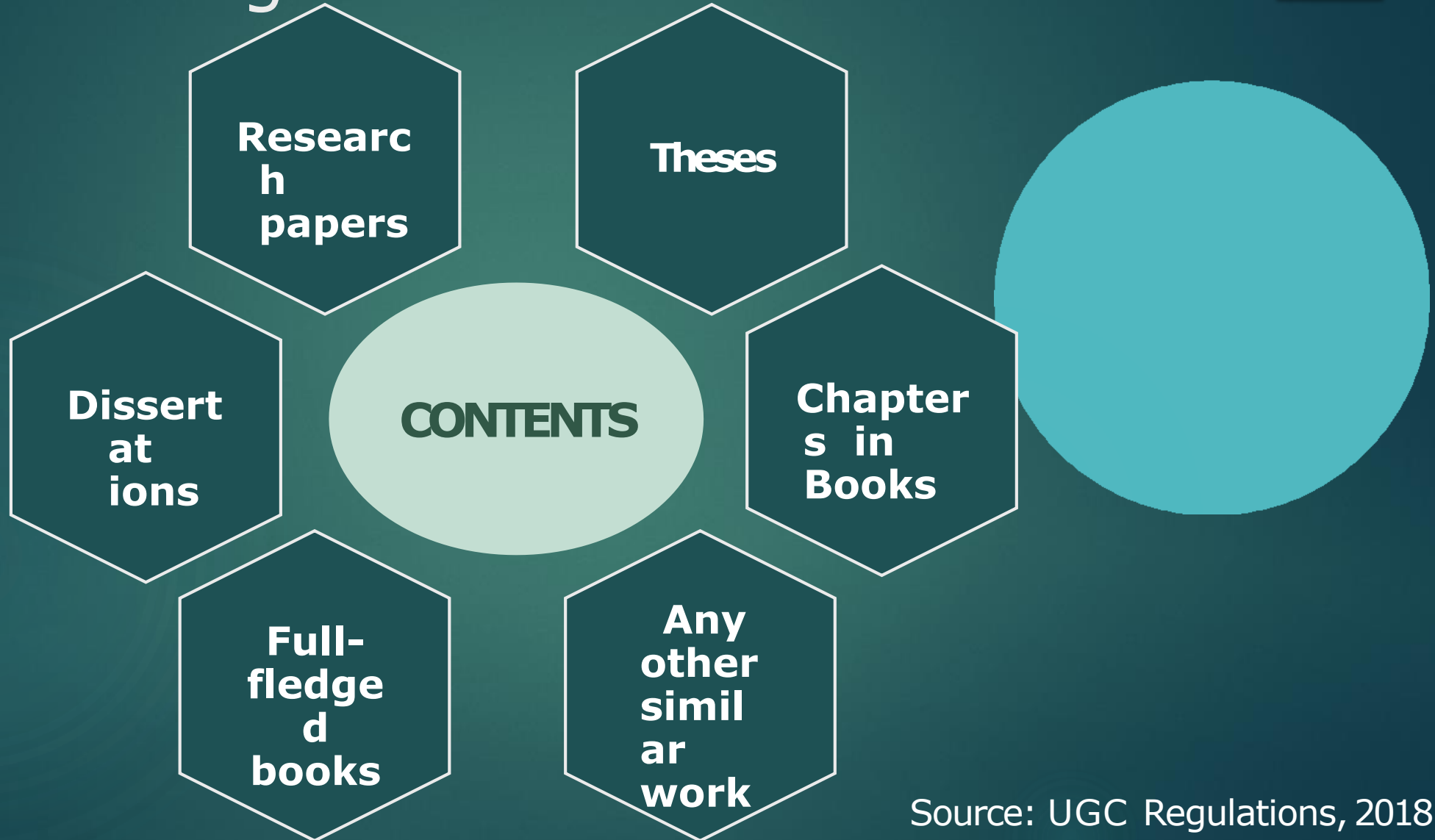- Paper Upload
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Plagiarism

- "Plagiarism" means the practice of taking someone else's work or idea and passing them as one's own.

- Without giving necessary credits make use of others thought.

- Plagiarism is a serious academic offence.

UGC (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism In Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2018
(Notification)

Main Objectives
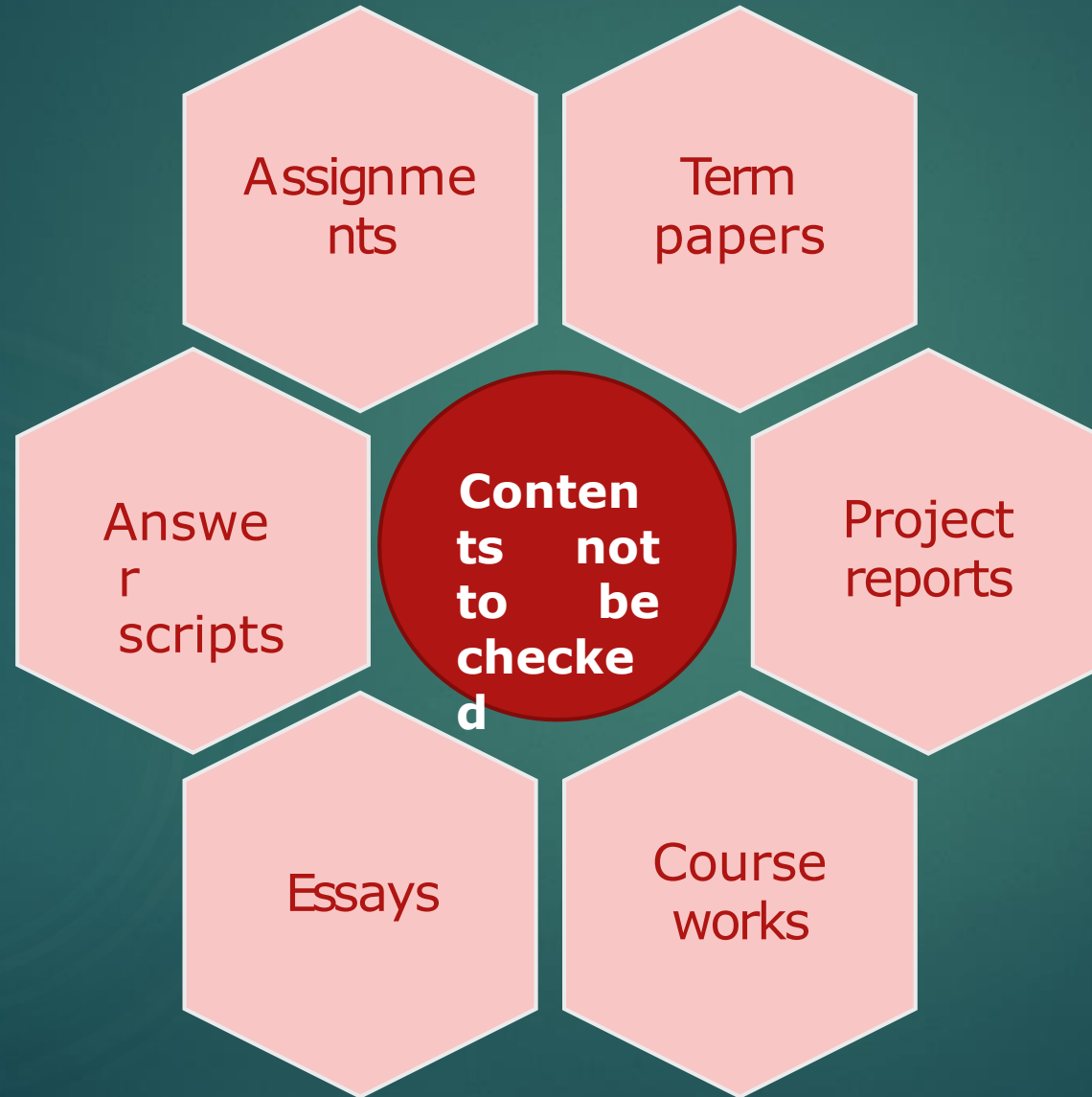
- To create awareness

- To establish institutional mechanism

- To develop systems to detect plagiarism

- To set up mechanism to prevent plagiarism and punish

Source: UGC Regulations, 2018

Content to be checked necessarily under the guidelines of UGC

Research papers

Theses

Dissertations

CONTENTS

Chapters in Books

Full-fledged books

Any other similar work

Content not to be checked necessarily under the guidelines of UGC

- Assignments
- Term papers
- Contents not to be checked
- Answer scripts
- Project reports
- Essays
- Course works

Similarity checks for exclusion from Plagiarism

☐   All quoted work reproduced with all necessary permission and/or attribution.

☐   All references, bibliography, table of content, preface and acknowledgements.

☐   All generic terms, laws, standard symbols and standards equations.

Example:

Generic term: Lions are noble beasts.

Law: 3. (1) The State Government shall, by order published in the   Official Gazette, take over the management and control of the Bangabasi Group of Colleges.

Standard Signs   Standard Equations

$$t = \frac{\Sigma d}{\sqrt{\frac{n\left(\Sigma d^2\right) - \left(\Sigma d\right)^2}{n-1}}}$$

where d: difference per paired value

n: number of samples

Levels of Plagiarism

Level 0:   Similarities upto 10%

Level 1:   Similarities above 10% to 40%

Level 2:   Similarities above 40% to 60%

Level 3:   Similarities above 60%

Source: UGC Regulations, 2018

Penalties in case of plagiarism in **submission of thesis and dissertations**

Level 0:	Similarities upto 10%	Minor Similarities, no penalty
Level 1:	Similarities above 10% to 40%	Such student shall be asked to submit a revised script within a stipulated time period not exceeding.
Level 2:	Similarities above 40% to 60%	Such student shall be debarred from submitting a revised script for a period of one year.
Level 3:	Similarities above 60%	Such student registration for that programme shall be cancelled.

Source: UGC Regulations, 2018

Penalties in case of plagiarism in **academic and research publications**

Level 0:	Similarities upto 10%	Minor Similarities, no penalty
Level 1:	Similarities above 10% to 40%	Shall be asked to withdraw manuscript.
Level 2:	Similarities above 40% to 60%	i. Shall be asked to withdraw manuscript. ii. Shall be denied a right to one annual increment. iii. Shall not be allowed to be a supervisor for a period of two years.
Level 3:	Similarities above 60%	i. Shall be asked to withdraw manuscript. ii. Shall be denied a right to two successive annual increment. iii. Shall not be allowed to be a supervisor for a period of two years.

Source: UGC Regulations, 2018

UGC Reserves

However implemented the regulations,

UGC reserves the right to remove difficulty/difficulties in the course of implementations of these Regulations in consultation with the Government of India/ Ministry of Human Resource Development.

Preventing Plagiarism

☐ Consult with teacher

☐ Plan Your Paper

☐ Take Effective Notes

☐ Cite Sources

☐ Make it Clear Who Said What

☐ Know How to Paraphrase

☐ Analyze and Evaluate Your Sources

Precaution

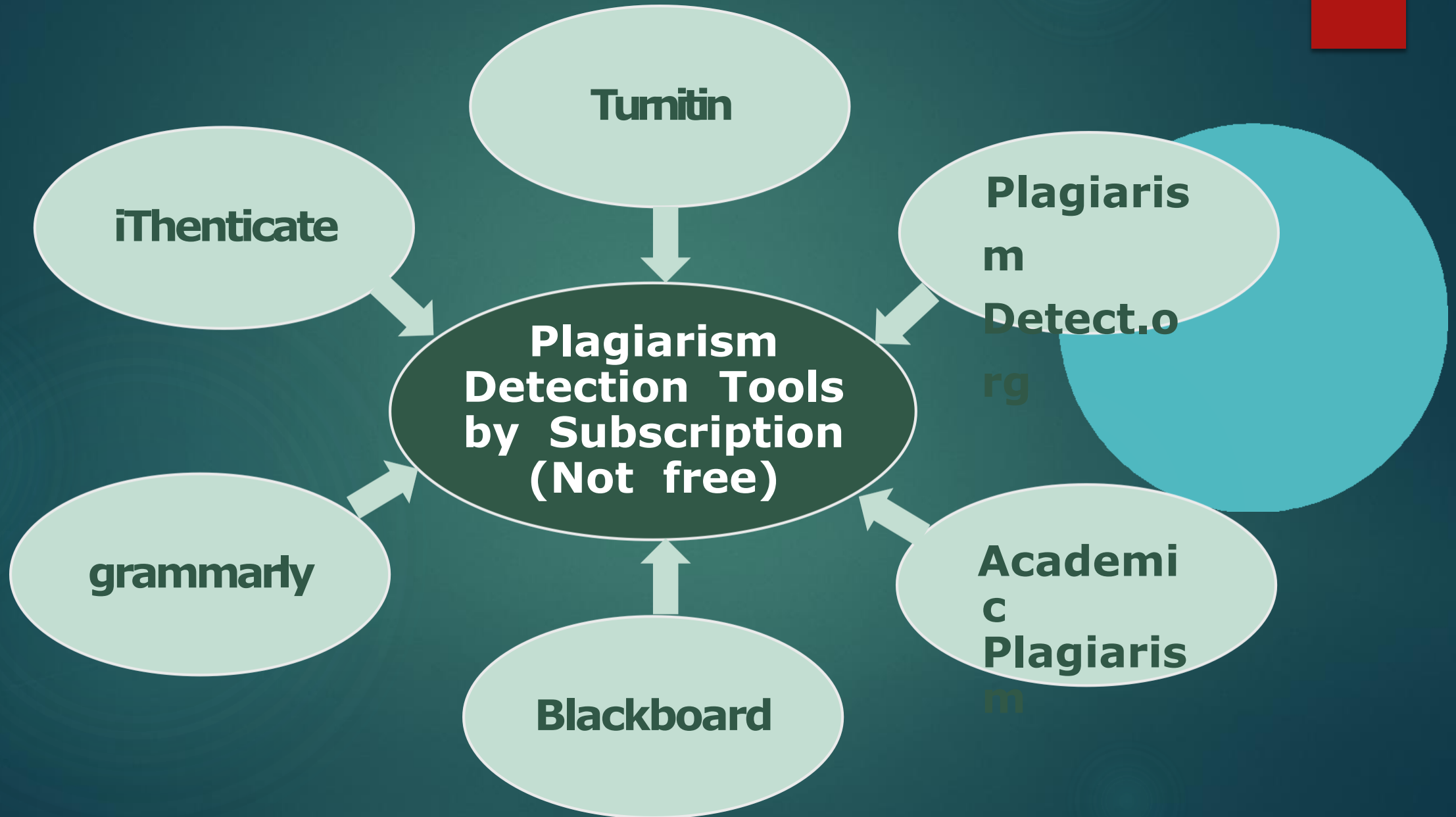| Cite	Paraphrase	Quoting

- Provide proper references wherever is required
- Provide references even for a Photographs, Diagrams, Pictures, Graphs, and Maps.
- While paraphrasing make sure you are rearranging/ replacing few words.
- Once check originality of the content before submitting the document

What is anti-plagiarism software?

"Software that searches the Web for duplicate textual content. It may be a stand-alone program installed in the user's computer or a function of a website, such as www.turnitin.com. Universities increasingly use anti-plagiarism software to determine if students have copied someone else's prose, and writers use it to see if others are using their copyrighted work in full or in part" (Source: www.pcmag.com).

Anti-plagiarism software/tool cannot stop or prevent the plagiarism. Find/detect the sources of contents which are matching.
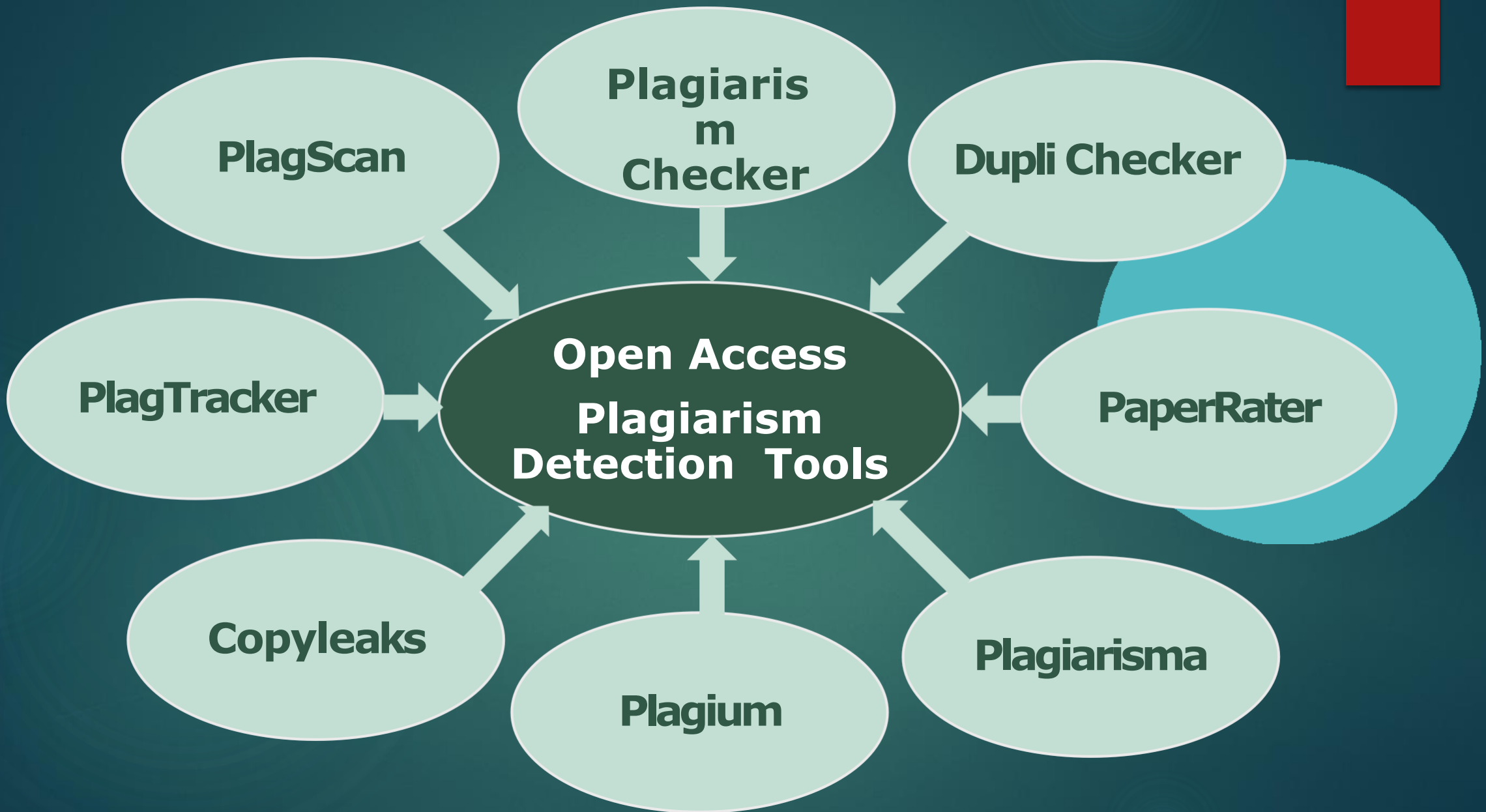
Plagiarism Detection Tools by Subscription (Not free)

Turnitin

iThenticate

Plagiarism Detect.org

Plagiarism Detection Tools by Subscription (Not free)

grammarly

Academic Plagiarism

Blackboard

Plagiarism Detecting Sources

Plagiarism Tools	Detecting Sources
Turnitin	Vast amounts of web content, previously submitted papers, and subscription-based journals and publications.
iThenticate	Database of over 60 billion web pages, 155 million content items, and 49 million works from 800 scholarly publishers
Blackboard	Internet, ProQuest ABI/Inform database with over 1,100 publication titles and about 2.6 million articles, Global Reference Database of Blackboard
Grammarly	Detect plagiarism from 16 billion web pages and ProQuest's databases.
PlagiarismDetection.org	Contains millions of documents like (books, paper, essays, articles and assignments)

Introduction to Turnitin

- Turnitin is a web-based plagiarism detection software provided by Turnitin.com.

- Turnitin is a tool to find and indicate the matching contents.

- Turnitin's plagiarism prevention tool generates originality reports that show how much of a document is original, cited from other sources, or unoriginal.

- For students to identify their mistakes or weaknesses in citations so as to improve their academic writing skills.

- Compares with huge collections of e-resources available around the world.

- Turnitin is used by more than 30 million students at 15,000 institutions in 150 countries.

Turnitin Coverages

The major databases coverages of Turnitin

- **Springer**
- **EBSCO Host**
- **ProQuest**
- **Thieme**
- **Elsevier**
- **PubMed**
- **Medline**

- **Sage**
- **Crossref**
- **Oxford University Press**
- **De Gruyter**
- **Peter Lang**
- **UCSanDiego**

Sources (Electronic)

- Internet sources publicly accessible
- Published journals, books, proceedings, etc.
- Student submission in turnitin

Sources which are not covered...

- Unpublished articles/papers
- In-house repositories
- In-house database

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Internet Sources
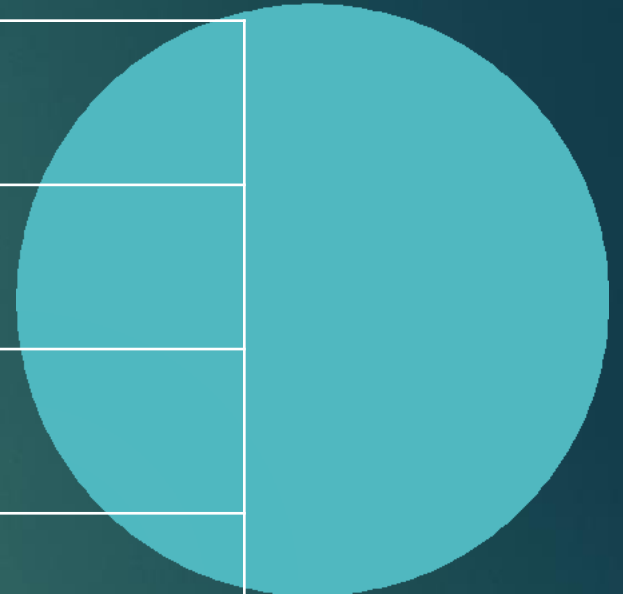
Publications
(Articles & Books)

Student
Papers of
Turnitin

Features of Turnitin

- Easy to submit your papers, articles, book chapters, theses, and etc.;
- Find and get source of the matching contents;
- Instant receipt of submission;
- Feedback through same interface; and
- Useful for checking referencing before submission.

Turnitin differentiates the levels of index

Blue	No matching words
Green	1% - 24% similarity index
Yellow	25% - 49% similarity index
Orange	50% - 74% similarity index
Red	75% - 100% similarity index

Turnitin Repository Options

Standard Repository

- The benefit of submitting papers to the standard paper repository is that student papers submitted to the assignment are checked against other institutions' student submissions.
- Institution's paper repository, this means that the assignment will only be checked against other students' submissions within the institution.

No repository

- Students' papers will not be stored in the Turnitin standard paper repository or the institution's paper repository.
- The papers will not be checked for collusion between students of

the same or different institutions.

Removing of Paper from the Repository of Turnitin

A student submission can be permanently deleted from the Turnitin database so that it can no longer be used as a searchable source. All paper deletion requests must be submitted in writing by the **"Turnitin administrator" to "Turnitin Support".**

The following information can be found in your **originality report** and if these are provided by the administrator

- **Class ID**
- **Assignment name**
- **Submission ID**

Turnitin support send an email to the administrator asking him to confirm the deletion. The paper is then permanently deleted.

If you require any further information

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Thank You !

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