An Introduction to Queen Mary, University of London Library

BUPT/QMUL International Joint Degree Programmes - BSc (Eng)





Learning Targets

- Learning the basics about QMUL Library Services
- Familiarity of how to access and make use of Library Subject Guides
- Know how to develop a search strategy
- Know how to access electronic books and journals



Queen Mary Library Services



- Three sites, all in East London, with the Mile End Library supporting the majority of subjects
- Over 100 staff work for Library Services
- 3 Faculty Liaison Librarians



Science & Engineering Faculty **Liaison Team**



biography book

hard copy e-book directory

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> footnote librarian

James Soderman – Faculty Liaison Librarian: Science and Engineering

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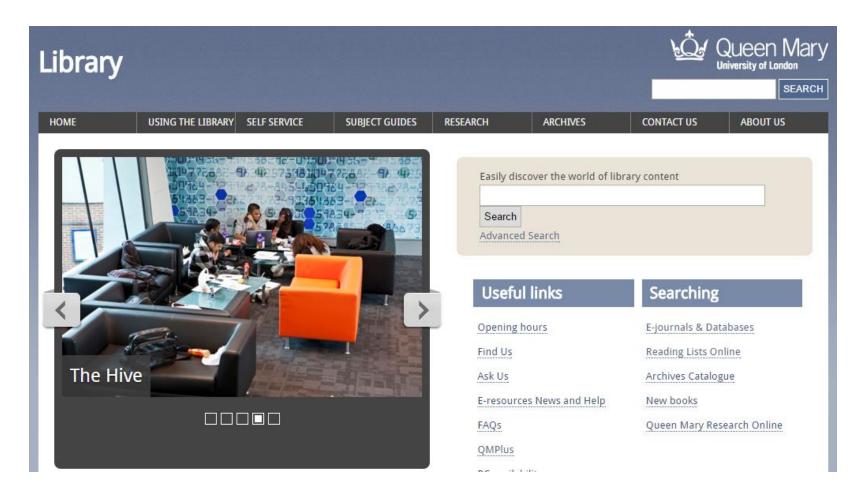
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"The largest portion of my work is to teach information literacy to students and staff. Within this remit I do lectures, workshops and 1to1:s, and can also answer questions by email and phone."

James Soderman - Faculty Liaison Librarian: Science and Engineering

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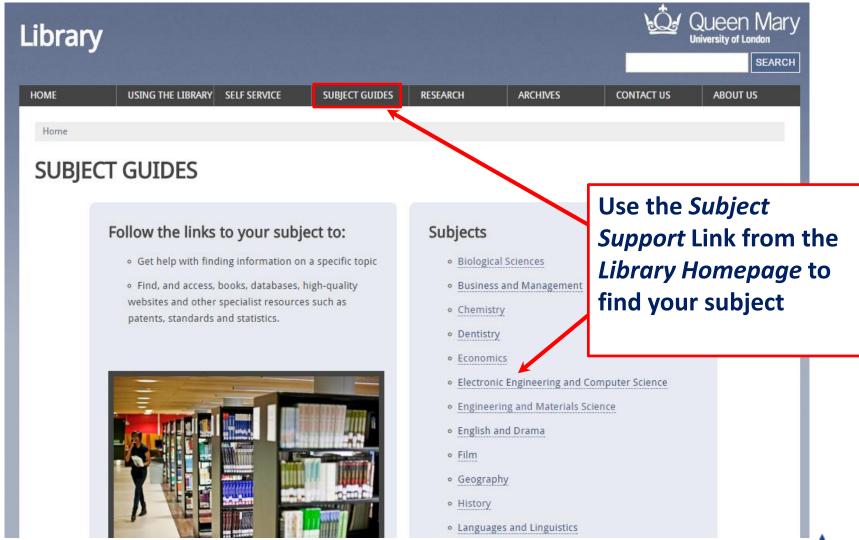
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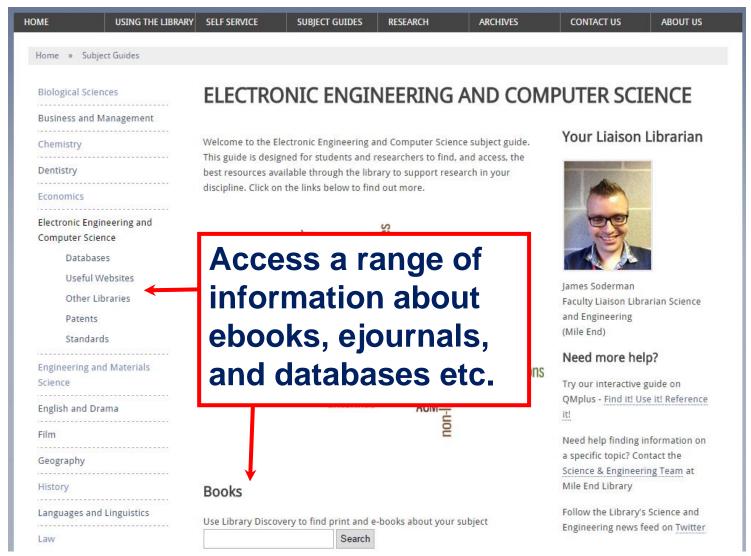
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Library Subject Guides



Library Subject Guides





Electronic Resources

- Queen Mary Library Services provides access to various electronic resources, also know as e-resources, including:
 - Electronic books (e-books)
 - Electronic journals (e-journals)
 - Databases (indexes and full text collections)
- See subject pages for EECS resources:
- http://www.library.qmul.ac.uk/subject/eecs





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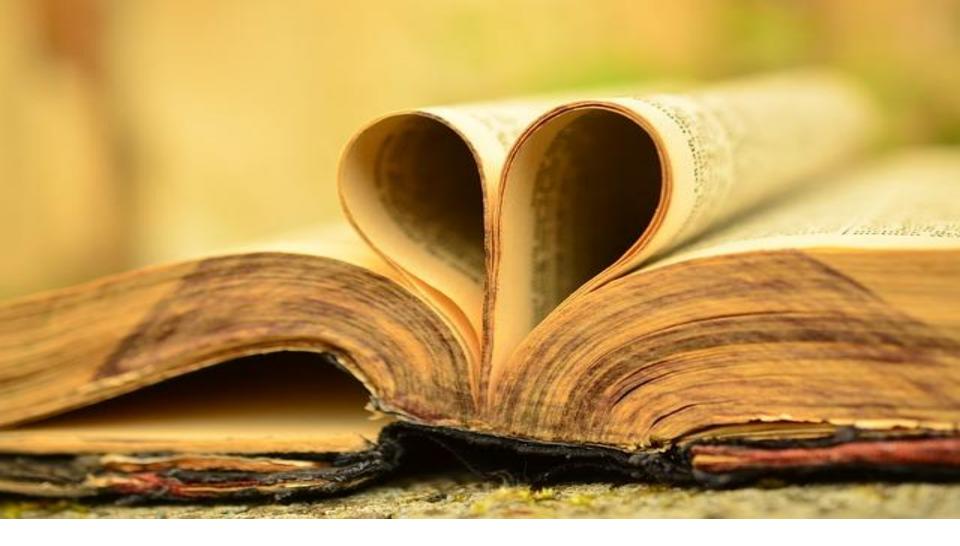
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- You may need to login using your Queen Mary IT Services Student Service username and password (the same credentials you use to login to QMPlus and MySIS)
- Most of our resources are proxied and are easiest accessed via the Library website.
- If you enter from any other way please login via the *Shibboleth* link.





So what literature should I be looking for?

Academic Information

Characteristics



Author: has some degree of authority in a particular field; typically holds an academic post or is a researcher



Audience: other experts in a particular field, including students of a recognised academic discipline



Purpose: advances study and research by reporting new findings or ideas; increases author's authority and credentials in field

Example: articles published in scholarly, peer-reviewed journals such as the *Annals of biomedical engineering*

Trade Information

Characteristics



Author: member of a profession or trade but not necessarily a researcher



Audience: members of a particular field or trade



Purpose: informs, promotes, and generally strengthens the profession and enhances knowledge of current professional practice

Example: Engineering Industries Association Website

http://www.eia.co.uk/



Technical information – Standards

Standards - Characteristics



Author: Usually written by Standards organisations by experts from the field/trade its covering



Audience: members of a particular field/trade



Purpose: documents tried and tested methods in different industries, and set recommendations on how to best execute what the standard is covering.

Example: Standards issued by IEEE or BSI, try searching in IEEE Explore.

Technical information - Patents

Patents - Characteristics



Author: can be either individual persons or organisations.



Purpose: produced to legally protect inventions from exploitation. During a set period of time the patent holder has exclusive rights to make, sell or use the invention.



Possible uses: patents usually hold a wealth of technical information about the invention they are covering.

Example: to find different European patents go to: http://www.epo.org/searching/free/espacenet.html



Information Formats



Books including reference books such as encyclopaedias, handbooks and directories



Periodical/journal papers, also called articles



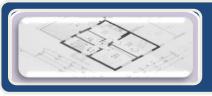
Conference papers, meetings, symposia



Postgraduate theses, called dissertations in USA



Information Formats



Standards



Reports, e.g. NASA reports



Patents



Information available via the Web, e.g. engineering trade and industry information



Talk to an expert





Where do I start?





Define

Defining your search/enquiry

Develop

Developing your search strategy

Be prepared





- Library Catalogues
- Subject Information Databases
- Web search and gateways



Developing a Search Strategy

A good method of searching more effectively is to prepare a "search strategy" This means choosing and organising search terms that are directly related to the subject you are researching.



Developing a Search Strategy

To search for information effectively you will need to:

 Identify important concepts and choose keywords



Search Strategy Exercise

Pick a topic you might want to research. How many words and short phrases can you find that describe the subject in both it's broadest and narrowest terms?



If you spend some time writing these words and phrases down you will have a range of terms to begin searching with.



Developing a Search Strategy

Many subjects are complex. You may need to break your search down into separate concepts, and carry out separate searches for each then combine the results.

e.g. Learning incoherent dictionaries for sparse approximation using iterative projections and rotations

Break down: Incoherent dictionary

Dictionary learning

Sparse approximation

Iterative projections



Developing a Search Strategy

- These may need to include synonyms
 e.g. dictionary, glossary, vocabulary
- and related terms
 e.g. Lie group methods, mutual coherence, approximation algorithm etc.



Make sure that the terms you decide to include is relevant to your research area.



Truncation (wildcards)

 Search for word variations (eg singular/plural or different spelling):

comput* finds computing, computer...

behavi* finds behavior, behaviour, behaving

wom?n finds woman or women



Phrase Searching

To search for an exact phrase, enclose the phrase in "quotation marks".



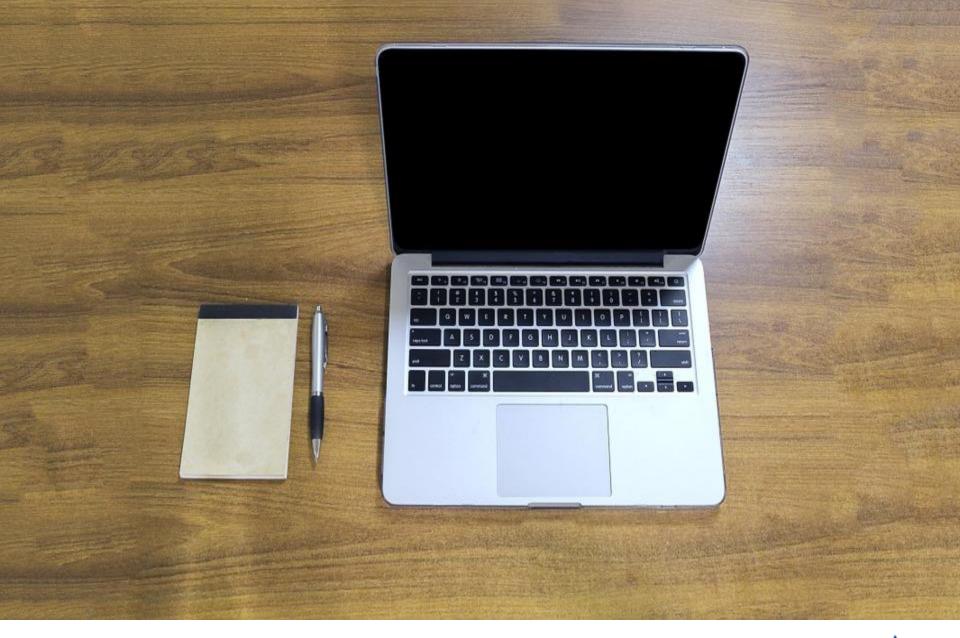
The query "energy consumption" will retrieve records that contain the exact phrase energy consumption.



Boolean Operators

AND	computer AND cognitive	Search for articles that contain both of the search terms. Using AND <u>narrows</u> your search
OR	computer OR cognitive	Search for articles that contain one or both of the search terms (useful for synonyms). Using OR broadens your search
NOT	computer NOT cognitive	Search for articles that contain the first term and do not contain the second term. Using NOT narrows your search





E-BOOKS



E-books

Queen Mary subscribes to a large number of relevant electronic books, including titles via:

- IET e-books (about 300 titles)
- Knovel Library (about 3500 titles)
- Wiley-IEEE Books via IEEE Xplore (500+ titles)

Plus many other titles from other publishers, all available via <u>Library Discovery</u>.



Electronic Quick Reference Books

There is sometimes a need to answer a question quickly. There are lots of tools out there for this. Why not use the following key e-reference works?

- Encyclopedia of Computer Science
- Reference Manual for Telecommunications
 Engineering.
- Wiley Encyclopedia of Electrical and Electronics Engineering

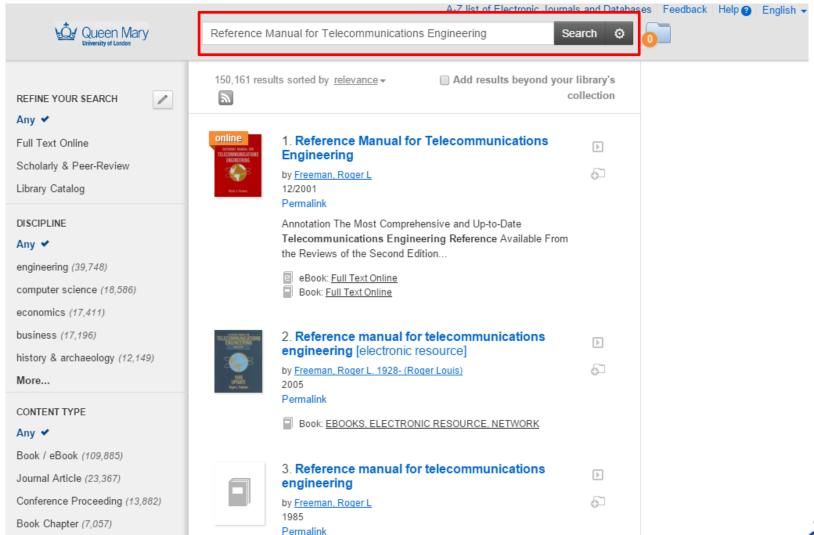


Library Discovery

- The Queen Mary Library Discovery contains records of print items held onsite, as well as records of e-book and e-journal titles (all available offsite)
- Access the Library Discovery via the Library Services website homepage, the EECS books subject page, or directly via:
- http://www.library.qmul.ac.uk/

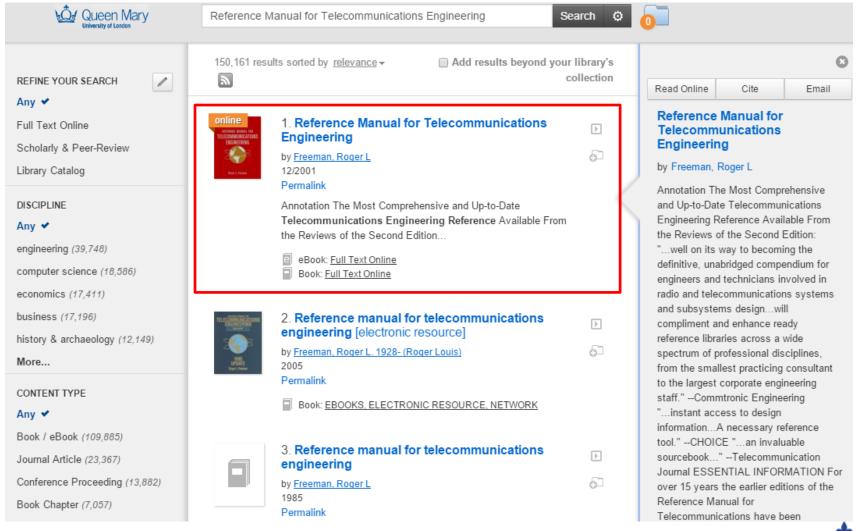


Library Discovery - Title Search





Library Discovery - Results



360 Link to Full Text



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Reference Manual for Telecommunications Engineering

Author: Freeman, Roger L 📉

Publisher: Wiley-Interscience [Imprint]
ISBN: 0-471-41718-1, 978-0-471-41718-7

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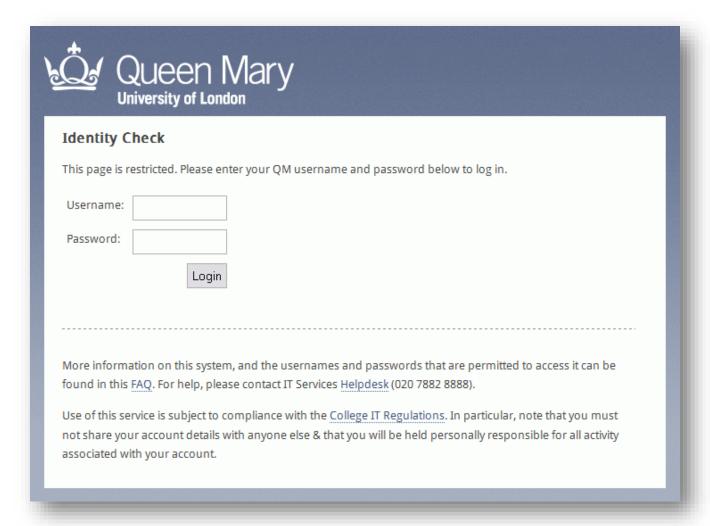
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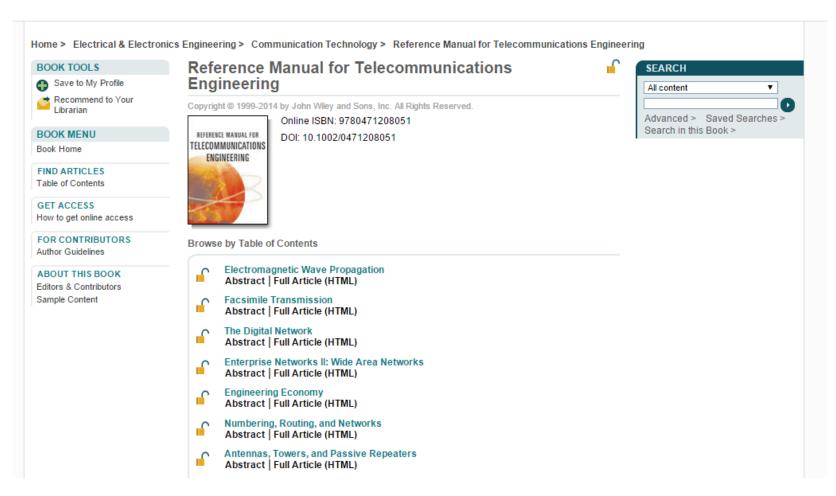
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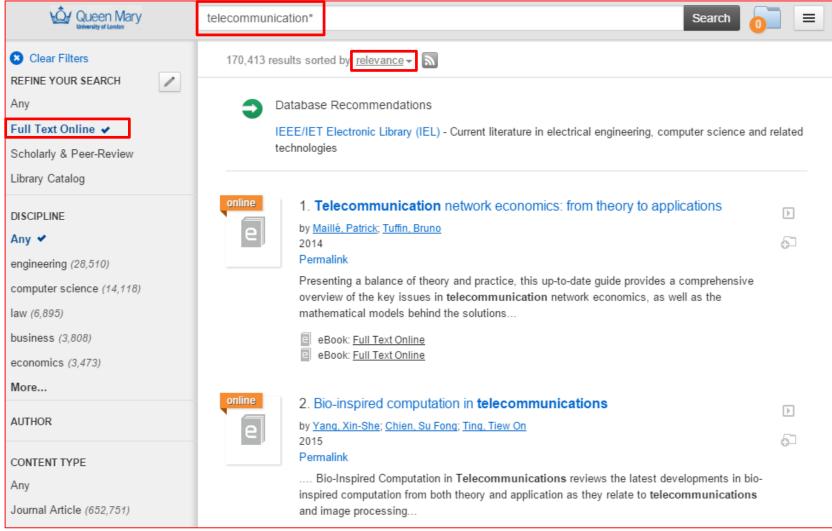
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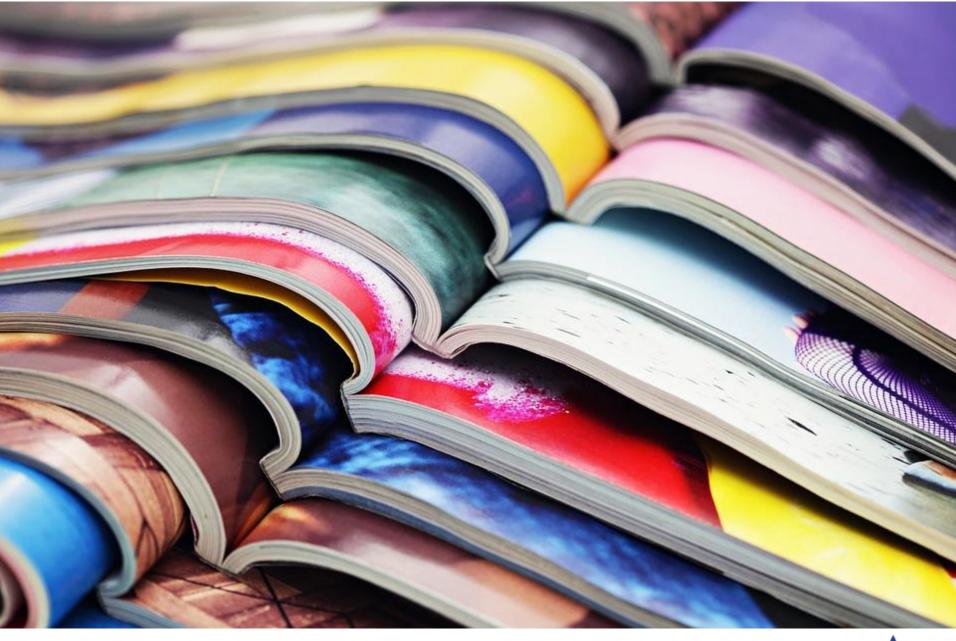


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Catalogue – Subject Search







ELECTRONIC JOURNALS



Electronic Journal Collections

Queen Mary subscribes to about 15,000 ejournal titles, including large collections relevant to BUPT/QM JP students via:

- ACM Digital Library
- Elsevier ScienceDirect
- IEEE/IET Electronic Library (IEL) via IEEE Xplore
- SpringerLink
- Wiley Online Library

Plus relevant titles via many other publishers

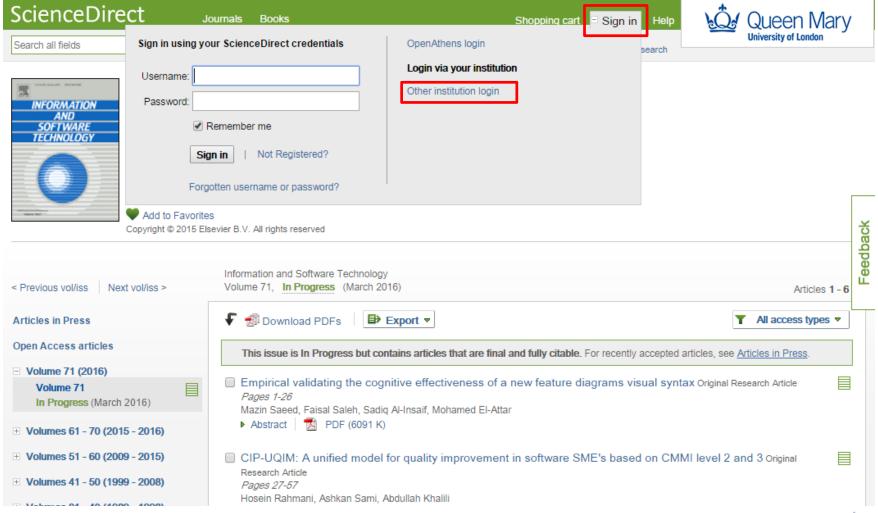


Reference / Citation example

Fenton, N, Neil, M, Marsh, W, et al. (2007). Predicting software defects in varying development lifecycles using Bayesian nets. *Information and Software Technology*, 49(1), 32-43.

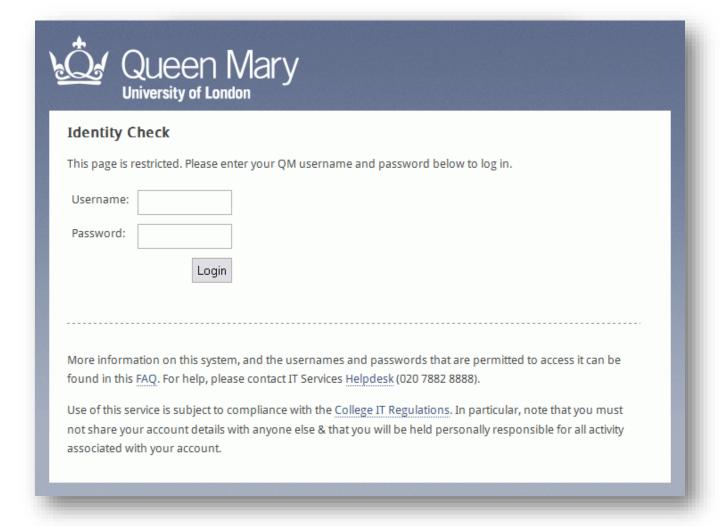


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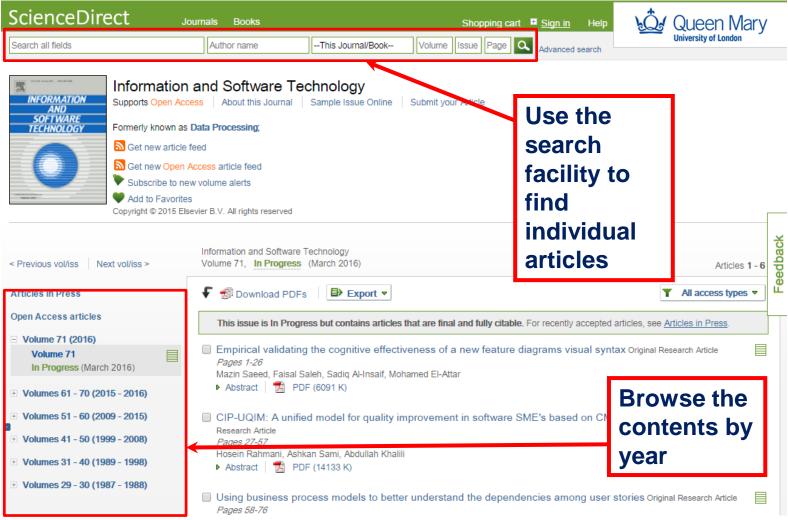


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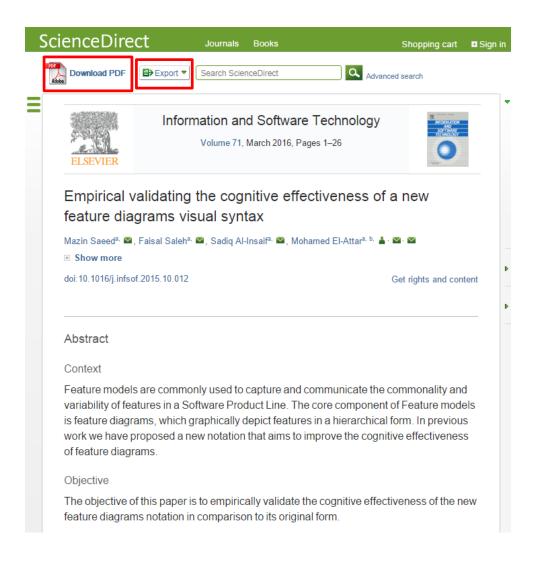




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Reference Management Tools

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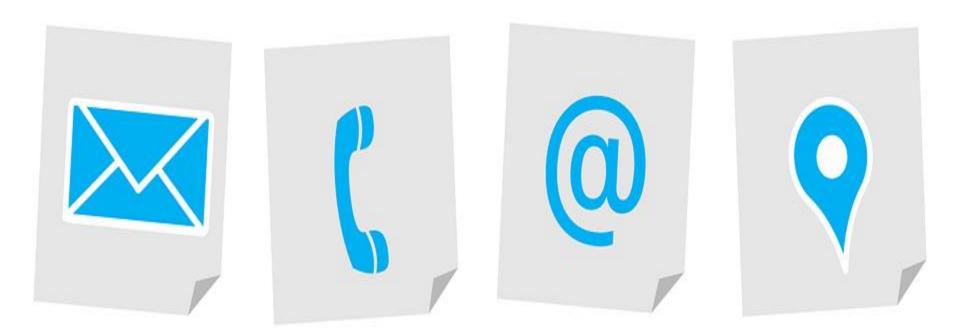


Collect and organize references

 Import references and related PDFs directly from databases

 Insert citations and bibliographies into Word documents





How to contact your S&E team?

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