

**INFORMATION**

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- Information retrieval (IR) is the activity of obtaining information system resources that are relevant to an information need from a collection of those resources.
- Information retrieval is the science of searching for information in a document, searching for documents themselves, and also searching for the metadata that describes data, and for databases of texts, images or sounds.
- Automated information retrieval systems are used to reduce what has been called information overload.

# Information contd.

- An IR system is a software system that provides access to books, journals and other documents; stores and manages those documents.