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1 Referencing Managers

- a) For this assignment, Overleaf was used as a \LaTeX text editor, and Zotero 7.0.2 was used as the referencing manager. I could not get latex to properly format the reference list (required for Task 6), resulting in the authors not appearing for some references (see Appendix B). To resolve this the reference list was made in Word and loaded into the \LaTeX document.
- b) I will be using cite-as-you-write when preparing this assignment as it reduces the risk of missing citations and makes it easier to manage references. It also ensures the sources are appropriate before building upon their information.

2 References & Bibliographic Styles

- a) According to the arXiv.org website [1], arXiv.org is an open access repository that helps spread scholarly research by providing several services, including: “article submission, compilation, production, retrieval, search and discovery, web distribution for human readers, and API access for machines”. Currently, the disciplines that deposit articles to arXiv.org include: “physics, mathematics, computer science, quantitative biology, quantitative finance, statistics, electrical engineering and systems science, and economics” [1].
- b) Submissions to arXiv.org are not peer reviewed, however they do pass through a moderation process to determine the submission’s scholarly value and to classify it into a subject field. As a result, it is “the responsibility of the submitter” [1] to ensure the contents of each submission are appropriate.

In contrast, submissions to an online conference proceedings repository, like neurips.cc, are typically submitted to a review process [2]. This means the submissions have been reviewed by experts in the submission’s topic. They are reviewed to ensure the use of proper research methods, and to assess the significance of the submission’s contribution to existing literature [3].

This is based on information found on the arXiv.org website, as well as information found on the University of Notre Dame Australia and American Public University Library websites.

- c) The main difference between the type of articles included in citation databases like Google Scholar and Web of Science is where the the original article was published, its format and the type of information it provides. This informs the review process the article may have gone through, as well as the depth of information the article provides. Typically, journal articles are the most credible in-depth sources as they contain the full research (including literature review, methodology, result, analysis, etc.) and are typically peer reviewed. Conference publications are similar to journal articles, however they are a more

condensed version to be presented at a conference. Preprints are also similar to journal articles but are not peer reviewed. In contrast, an editorial letter typically contains the opinions of a person or group on a published work [4].

d) This is the in-text citation for the preprint version [5].

This is the in-text citation for the online publication version [6].

e) The number of pages for each version of the paper is recorded below (Table 1).

Table 1: Number of pages in each version of the paper.

Article Version	Number of pages
arXiv.org	19
peer reviewed	12

Both versions of the paper seems to be largely identical, however, the preprint available on arXiv.org includes four Appendices that are not included in the peer reviewed version. This accounts for the missing 7 pages.

f) The number of times the article has been cited on Google Scholar and Web of Science is recorded below (Table 2).

Table 2: Number of times Zhang et al. has been cited.

Article version	Number of Google Scholar citations	Number of Web of Science citations	Data(s) of access
peer reviewed	779	29	26 Aug 2024

g) The place the top 10 most relevant citing papers were published are summarised in the table below (Table 3).

Table 3: Top 10 most relevant papers that cited Zhang et. al.

	Journals	Refereed Conferences	Preprints and unrefereed conferences	Data(s) of access
Title of publication of citing articles	Sensors Machine Learning: Science and Technology	3 × IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition 2 × NeurIPS Computer Vision ECCV 2020	2 × arXiv.org	26 August 2024
total count	2	6	2	

Table 3 shows that the majority of citing papers are from refereed conferences, with only a two papers being preprints. This does not line up with the difference in the number of citations between Google Scholar and Web of Science as it is expected that more preprints and unrefereed conferences would appear on the list of top 10 most relevant papers. This may be due to Google preferencing refereed conferences over unrefereed conferences and preprints when ordering by relevance.

3 References & Authors

- a) The published article is a magazine article published to Science.
- b) The number of citations as reported by Google Scholar and Web of Science can be seen below (Table 4), along with the number of authors on the preprint and official publication.

Table 4: Number of citations and authors on each paper

Article version	Google Scholar citations	Web of Science citations	Data(s) of access	Number of authors on paper
arXiv.org	n/a	n/a	n/a	25
Journal	36	2	29 August 2024	25

- c) Google Scholar merges multiple versions of the same paper and sums the citations of the each version to create a single citation count [7].
- d) For this question, I assume the papers have more than 21 authors.

Table 5: Number of authors to include in in-text citations, when there are a large number of authors.

	IEEE reference style	APA reference style
First in-text citation	Authors do not need to be specified. Up to three authors can be specified, followed by "et al." for a reference cited in text [8].	The last name of the primary author is provided, followed by "et al." [9].
Subsequent in-text citations	Authors do not need to be specified. Up to three authors can be specified, followed by "et al." for a reference cited in text [8].	The last name of the primary author is provided, followed by "et al." [9].
Format in reference list	All authors must be listed, up to six authors. If there are more than six authors, the first author is followed by "et al." [8].	The names of the first 19 authors are specified, followed by an ellipsis, followed by the name of the last author [9].

- e) This is the in-text citation for the preprint version [10].
This is the in-text citation for the online publication version [11].
- f) The corresponding author and first three authors are recorded below (Table 6), with their current affiliations and academic or professional position.

Table 6: Authors of the published paper.

Author order	Name	Affiliation	Academic or professional position
Corresponding author	Jan Brauner	University of Oxford [12]	PhD Student [12]
Author #1	Yoshua Bengio	Mila Quebec Artificial Intelligence Institute, Universit de Montrea [13]	Professor [13]
Author #2	Geoffrey Hinton	The University of Toronto [14]	Professor Emeritus [14]
Author #3	Andrew Yao	Tsinghua University [15]	Dean, Professor [15]

g) There are several reasons why a paper may have a large number of authors, including increasing the credibility of the publication, the publication resulting from a collective brainstorm, or increasing the reputation of the authors. Including authors that hold prestigious positions within a field (e.g. university deans and professors) can increase the credibility of the publication, justifying the inclusion of additional authors with strong reputations. Some publications are also a result of discussions between large groups of experts, such as policy forums, resulting in a large number of authors. Alternatively, some researchers convince their colleagues to include them in papers in order to inflate their research output, to increase their metrics like their h-index, with minimal effort [16].

In the case of this paper [11], Science labels the article as a policy forum. This means the article resulted from an analysis between a diverse group of field experts on “the policy implications of recent scientific results or studies” [17]. [11] was a discussion between numerous AI experts, with high standings within their field, on the implication of the rapid progress of AI on society.

4 Quality Metrics For Conferences & Conference Papers

- a) A common conference-level metric for determining the quality of a conference is the rank provided on the ICORE Conference Portal. This rank is “determined by a mix of indicators, including citation rates, paper submission and acceptance rates, and the visibility and research track record of the key people hosting the conference and managing its technical program” [18].

Another common metric to consider is the h-index of the conference, which reflects the quality of the published papers. However, the h-index for IADIS is currently unavailable, likely because it is considered a less prominent conference. An alternative metric is Resurchify’s star rating, which is based on the CORE ranking.

- b) The table below (Table 7) shows the metrics and ANZSRC FoR codes for the provided conferences. Metric 1 is the ranking found on the ICORE Conference Portal. Metric 2 is the star rating found on Resurchify.

Table 7: ANZSRC Fields of Research (FoR) codes and metrics.

Conference	Metric 1	Metric 2	ANZSRC FoR codes
Association for Computational Linguistics	A* [19]	5/5 [20]	4602 [19]
IADIS International Conference Applied Computing	C [21]	2/5 [22]	4601 [21]

5 Conflicts of Interest

- a) This would be a potential conflict of interest under Personal Relationships. Jim likely had a strong negative relationship with Elizabeth during their disagreement, which likely to affect their review of Elizabeth's application, making it a conflict of interest of a Personal Relationship type. Additionally, as Jim is informing the committee's decision but not directly involved, the UQ Conflict of Interest Policy [23] would define it as a potential conflict, instead of an actual conflict.
- b) It is not a conflict of interest for the other members of the committee, such as the Chair, as they are not involved in Jim and Elizabeth's relationship. However, they may have other conflicts of interests with Jim or Elizabeth if there is an existing relationship between them.
- c) According to the UQ Conflict of Interest Policy, Jim's "conflict of interest must be disclosed and managed transparently between relevant parties" [23]. As a result, it may not be required to disclose the conflict to the entire committee, however, Jim must disclose it to the Chair.
- d) The Chair should ensure Jim formally registers his conflict of interest with the University and help implement a conflict of interest management plan. This may involve the Chair recruiting another member of the committee to review Elizabeth's application and restricting Jim's involvement in Elizabeth's potential interview.
- e) An actual conflict of interest is when "a staff member has a competing interest or obligation ... that directly conflicts with the staff member's duties and responsibilities" [23]. In contrast, a perceived conflict of interest is when "it could reasonably be perceived, or give the appearance, that a competing interest or obligation ... could improperly influence the performance of a staff member's duties and responsibilities" [23]. Both types of conflicts of interest must be addressed by researchers and research institutions as they can negatively effect the credibility of the produced work.

6 Demonstrating Your Use of A Reference Manager

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Artificial intelligence (AI) is progressing rapidly, and companies are shifting their focus to developing generalist AI systems that can autonomously act and pursue goals. Increases in capabilities and autonomy may soon massively amplify AI's impact, with risks that include large-scale social harms, malicious uses, and an irreversible loss of human control over autonomous AI systems. Although researchers have warned of extreme risks from AI (

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), there is a lack of consensus about how to manage them. Society's response, despite promising first steps, is incommensurate with the possibility of rapid, transformative progress that is expected by many experts. AI safety research is lagging. Present governance initiatives lack the mechanisms and institutions to prevent misuse and recklessness and barely address autonomous systems. Drawing on lessons learned from other safety-critical technologies, we outline a comprehensive plan that combines technical research and development (R&D) with proactive, adaptive governance mechanisms for a more commensurate preparation.},

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