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Research Methodology and Intellectual Property

Rights
Questions (Indicating RBTL) and
Answers

Module 2 Part 1

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1. Literature Review
Technical Reading, New
and Existing Knowledge

2. Analysis and
Synthesis of Prior Art

Describe the importance of performing a thorough literature review in engineering research, while also illustrating how a proficiently executed literature review aids in showcasing originality in research.

CO2, RBTL 2, 10
Marks.

Answer Key:

Understanding the Purpose of Literature Review and Its
Research Role

Navigating Sources of Existing Knowledge

Effective Strategies for Conducting a Comprehensive
Literature Review

Analyzing and Synthesizing Prior Research: Researchers'

Process Evaluating Information Sources for Research
Validity

Understanding Purpose of Review and Its Research Literature

Role Purpose of Literature

Review: Problem Identification:

Advocating Approaches:

Choice of Methods:

Understanding the Purpose of Literature Review and Its Research Role

Purpose of Literature Review: The main goal of a literature review is to identify and understand existing knowledge.

Problem Identification:

Advocating

Approaches: Choice

of Methods:

Understanding the Purpose of Literature Review and Its Research Role

Purpose of Literature Review:

Problem Identification: It helps in correctly identifying research problems that might be unclear initially.

Advocating

Approaches: Choice

of Methods:

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Purpose of Literature Review:

Problem Identification:

Advocating Approaches: Researchers use literature to approaches to understanding specific problems.

Choice of
Methods:

Understanding the Purpose of Literature Review and Its Research Role

Purpose of Literature Review:

Problem Identification:

Advocating Approaches:

Choice of Methods: It assists in comprehending the choice of research methods.

Navigating Sources of Existing Knowledge

Textbooks vs. Research

Papers: Complexity of

Research Papers: Building a

Strong Foundation:

Navigating Sources of Existing Knowledge

Textbooks vs. Research Papers: Textbooks establish knowledge, while research papers offer recent developments.

Complexity of Research

Papers: Building a Strong

Foundation:

Navigating Sources of Existing Knowledge

Textbooks vs. Research Papers:

Complexity of Research Papers: Research papers are more specialized and assume prior knowledge in the field.

Building a Strong Foundation:

Navigating Sources of Existing

Knowledge vs. Research

Papers: Complexity of

Research Papers:

Building a Strong Foundation: Reading and learning from various sources help in constructing a solid foundation for research.

Effective Strategies for Conducting a Comprehensive Literature Review

Conceptual Focus:

Expectations of

Supervisors: Rules for

Effective Review:

Comprehensive Approach:

Effective Strategies for Conducting a Comprehensive Literature Review

Conceptual Focus: A literature review should focus on concepts rather than just listing authors.

Expectations of

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Comprehensive Approach:

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Conceptual Focus:

Expectations of Supervisors: A well-executed literature review impresses supervisors by showcasing a strong grasp of the field's current state.

Rules for Effective

Review: Comprehensive

Approach:

Effective Strategies for Conducting a Comprehensive Literature Review

Conceptual Focus:

Expectations of Supervisors:

Rules for Effective Review: There are guidelines for writing an effective literature review, including identifying and synthesizing information easily, concluding and discussing information effectively.

Comprehensive
Approach:

Effective Strategies for Conducting a Comprehensive Literature Review

Conceptual Focus:

Expectations of Supervisors:

Rules for Effective Review:

Comprehensive Approach: A good literature survey involves systematically analyzing and synthesizing archived work.

Analyzing and Synthesizing Prior Research: Researchers' Process

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After collecting articles for the literature review, researchers break them down and find useful information.

They then put all this information together to see what conclusions they can draw from the articles as a group.

Analyzing and Synthesizing Prior Research: Researchers' Process

Researchers need to:

- Understand the main idea in each article.
- Look at the models and experiments used. Connect the different pieces of information. Compare and contrast what they find.
- Identify strengths and weaknesses.

Analyzing and Synthesizing Prior Research: Researchers' Process

It's important to question big claims in the articles. If you believe everything you read, it can limit your own research and critical thinking.

The goal of a literature review is to discover new things to study, point out problems in existing research, and propose fresh ideas.

Evaluating Information Sources for Research Validity

No matter where you find information, you must evaluate it carefully before using it in your research.

Checking articles published in reputable journals or granted patents is a good idea.

Evaluating Information Sources for Research Validity

Here are some things to consider when evaluating information:

Who is the author, and where do they work? Does the information seem accurate and backed by other sources? Is the source at the right level of complexity for your research?

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**3. Bibliographic
Databases**

**4. Effective Search: The
Way Forward**

Describe the significance of bibliographic databases like Web of Science and their role in aiding researchers to access scholarly articles efficiently, while highlighting the limitations of search engines like Google Scholar in the academic context.

CO2, RBTL 3, 10
Marks

Answer Key:

Bibliographic

Databases Web of
Science

Google and Google Scholar

Navigating Scholarly

Publications

Effective Information Retrieval: Tools, Strategies, and
Ongoing Learning

Bibliographic Databases:

Serve as extensive
repositories

Bibliographic Databases:

Vital for accessing academic
articles

Web of Science:

Widely acclaimed and frequently used
academic database

Web of Science:

Allows targeted
searches

Web of Science:

Enables refining search results based on citation frequency

Web of Science:

For rigorous research, databases like Web of Science offer more reliable and focused results

Google and Google

Scholar:

Ubiquitous search engines with
inherent limitations

Google and Google

Scholar:

Scan the entire internet, making it challenging to discern information reliability

Google and Google

Scholar:

GoogleScholar may include
questionable resources

Google and Google

Scholar:

Optimization strategies include
using quotes and relevant
keywords

Navigating Scholarly Publications:

Crafted by subject-matter
experts for expert audiences

Navigating Scholarly Publications:

Rigorously cite all
sources

Navigating Scholarly Publications:

Undergo thorough peer-review processes

Effective Information Retrieval: Tools, Strategies, and Ongoing Learning

Practical knowledge and insights
available in accessible formats like
magazines

Effective Information Retrieval:

Tools, Strategies, and Ongoing Learning

Utilize various search tools and platforms for a comprehensive information spectrum

Effective Information Retrieval:

Tools, Strategies, and Ongoing Learning

Carefully consider the type and likely sources of information needed

Effective Information Retrieval:

Tools, Strategies, and Ongoing Learning

Iterative search
process

Effective Information Retrieval:

Tools, Strategies, and Ongoing Learning

Reading and
Synthesis

Effective Information Retrieval:

Tools, Strategies, and Ongoing Learning

Process may need repetition for
a comprehensive understanding

Effective Information Retrieval: Tools, Strategies, and Ongoing Learning

Developing Reading Skills

Efficiency in reading complex articles
requires practice and refinement

Effective Information Retrieval:

Tools, Strategies, and Ongoing Learning

Developing Reading Skills

Improvement overtime with gained
experience

Effective Information Retrieval: Tools, Strategies, and Ongoing Learning

Active Reading and Consideration

Information retrieval is the initial phase

Effective Information Retrieval:

Tools, Strategies, and Ongoing Learning

Active Reading and Consideration

Invest time in developing personal ideas
and insights

Effective Information

Retrieval: Tools, Strategies, and Ongoing Learning

Practical knowledge and insights available in accessible formats like magazines

Utilize various search tools and platforms for a comprehensive information spectrum

Carefully consider the type and likely sources of information needed

Iterative search process Reading and

Synthesis

Process may need repetition for a comprehensive understanding Developing Reading Skills

Efficiency in reading complex articles requires practice and refinement

Improvement over time with gained experience

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5. Introduction to Technical Reading
6. Conceptualizing Research
7. Critical and Creative Reading
8. Taking Notes While Reading
9. Reading Mathematics and Algorithms
10. Reading a Datasheet

Explain the essential steps and strategies involved in technical reading for researchers, emphasizing the importance of critically evaluating research papers, creating meaningful research objectives, and effectively taking notes during the reading process.

CO2, RBTL 3, 10
Marks.

Key Answers:

Introduction to Technical
Reading Conceptualizing
Research Critical and Creative
Reading Taking Notes While
Reading
Reading Mathematics and
Algorithms Reading a Datasheet

Introduction to Technical

Reading

It is important to stay updated

- Need to consider quality over quantity
- Need to read engineering research papers
- Need to have a strategic reading approach
- Need to consider the author reputation
- Need continuous search for relevant literature

Conceptualizing

• Need of a good research objective

- Need the deep understanding of literature
- Role of Expertise at Ph.D. Level is crucial
- Need to seek guidance for smaller projects

Critical and Creative

Reading Focus

- Challenges in Creative Reading
- Future Research Directions

Taking Notes While

• Importance of Reading Note-Taking

- Inclusive Notes
- Summarizing Contributions
- Comparative Assessment

Reading Mathematics and Algorithm

§ Essentiality of Mathematical Content

- Thorough Reading for Understanding
- Skimming for Familiar Content
- Verification Through Implementation

Reading a

• Understanding Electronic Datasheet Components

- Key Datasheet Sections
- Crucial for Circuit Design

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11. Attributions and Citations: Giving Credit Wherever Due
12. Citations: Functions and Attributes
13. Impact of Title and Keywords on Citations, Unethical Citations

Explain the importance of citing sources in academic writing and discuss the functions of citation, highlighting the significance of details. Also analyze the benefits of citations, factors influencing citation rates, the role of keywords, and ethical considerations in citations.

CO2, RBTL 3, 10
Marks

Answer Key:

Introduction, Materials Eligible for Citation, Citing Source Twice, LaTeX for Citation Management, Connection between Old and New Research, Functions of Citation, Importance of Details in Citations, Benefits of Citations
Factors Influencing Citation Rate, Role of Keywords, Unethical Citations

Introduction: Giving credit to
authors Materials Eligible for
Citation Citing Source Twice

LaTeX for Citation
Management Connection
between Old and New
Research

Functions of

Verification Function

Acknowledgment

Function Documentation

Function

Functions of

Verification Function

Acknowledgment

Function Documentation

Function

Importance of Details in Citations Benefits of Citations

Factors Influencing Citation

Relevance and
Rate

Availability Title's

Importance

Title Characteristics

Title Content and

Style Keywords in

the Title

Role of
Essential
Keywords
Visibility and Citation
Probability

Unethical Citations

Spurious
Citations Biased
Citations
Self-Citations
Coercive

Citations

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- 14. Knowledge Flow
through Citation
- 15. Citing Datasets
- 16. Styles for Citations

How does the process of citing sources contribute to the flow of knowledge in academic research? Additionally, in the context of modern engineering research, how can proper data citations, enhance research integrity by justifying claims, recognizing contributors, addressing ownership, and ensuring accessibility for future reference?

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Answer Key:

Knowledge Flow through Citation

The relationship between citations, knowledge flow, and various elements in the academic landscape

The relationship between co-authorship and different types of citations in research publications

Citing Datasets

Styles for
Citations

Knowledge Flow through

Citation

Transmission of Knowledge in Research: Exploring the Channels of Verbal Communication, Books, Documents, Video, Audio, and Images in Engineering Research.

Importance of Citing Sources: Linking Prior Work to Innovation through Citation Networks in the Production of Knowledge.

The relationship between
citation flow, and
elements various in the
academic
Knowledge Transfer
Recognition and
Impact
Influence of Journals and
Conferences Institutional
Standing

The relationship between co-authorship and different types of citations in research publications:

Collaborative Influence

Author Network

Dynamics Mutual

Citations

Intra-Team Connections

Citing

Datasets of Data Citations

Ownership and Permission

Comprehensive Citations

Examples:

Citing

Examples

Name of the Data, Author, Country
Name (Month, Year): [Accessed:
date, month, year] Retrieved from
[URL]

Author (Year). [Personnel survey].
Unpublished raw data.

Styles for
Citations ASCE Style
Reference List (**Books**):
Author Surname, Author Initial. (Year
Published). Title. Publisher, City,
Pages Used.

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~~Author(s)~~ Credentials / Company Name
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Journal Article:

Author Initial(s). Author Surname,
“Title of paper,” Abbrev. Title of
Journal, vol. x, no. x, pp. xxx-xxx,
Month, Year

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Book Chapter:

Author Initial(s). Author Surname,
“Title of chapter,” in Title of Book,
xth ed., Country: Publisher, Year,
ch. x, pp. xxx-xxx

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Author Credentials / Company Name.
(Year Published). "Title of the
Webpage." [Online]. Available:
<http://WebsiteURL>. [Accessed: Month
Day, Year].

Styles for Citations ASME Style

Journal Article:

Author Surname, Author Initial. (Year Published). "Title of the Article." Title of the Journal, Volume(Issue), Page Range.

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Book Chapter:

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- 17. Acknowledgments and
Attributions
- 18. What Should Be Acknowledged?
- 19. Acknowledgments in
Books/Dissertations
- 20. Dedication or Acknowledgments?

How the inclusion of acknowledgment sections in engineering research publications recognizing diverse contributions ranging from technical and conceptual assistance, moral and financial support, collaboration, and professional impact evaluation within the academic community?

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Acknowledgments

Acknowledgments and Attributions

Introduction

- expresses gratitude for contributions to the work.
- placed at the end of the text or as a footnote, depending on guidelines.
- recognizes individuals, organizations, or funding bodies for their role in research.

Acknowledgments and Attributions

Categories of Acknowledgment

- moral, financial, editorial, institutional or technical, and conceptual support.
- in engineering research extend to technicians, students, funding agencies, and collaborative contributors.

What Should Be Acknowledged?

Elements:

Quotation

, ideas,

facts,

paraphrasing

, funding,

oral

discussions,

laboratory, and

computer work.

What Should Be Acknowledged?

Who to

Acknowledge:

Persons offering scientific or technical guidance,
assistance in discussions, or sharing

information. Acknowledge grants received with
full details.

What Should Be Acknowledged?

Acknowledging Presentation

Elsewhere: Citation for abstracts or presentations at scientific meetings, symposiums, etc.

Importance of Acknowledgments:

- demonstrate integrity, encourage collaboration, and play a role in professional impact evaluation.

Acknowledgments in Books/Dissertations:

main
supervisor,
peers,
academic staff,
technical
support,
colleagues,
family, and
friends.

Dedication and Acknowledgments

Dedication Usage:

Rarely used in journal papers or conference proceedings. Reserved for books, theses, or dissertations.

Dedication vs. Acknowledgments:

Dedication is for expressing a personal dedication to someone.

Acknowledgments recognize contributions from various individuals.

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