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How to perform a literature search



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Content – How-to

How-to ...

- ... read a research paper
- ... perform the literature study
- ... present the seminar talk
- ... show the applicability of your solution (proof-of-concept)
- ... write the seminar paper

How-to Read a Research Paper

How to Read a Scientific Research Paper: a four-step guide for students and for faculty

- Ann McNeal, School of Natural Science, Hampshire College
- http://hampshire.edu/~apmNS/design/RESOURCES/HOW_READ.html
- While aimed at students of biology and biochemistry a lot of its advice carries over to EE and Computer Science; just substitute "lateral malleolus" or "carotene extraction procedure" with "Demand Assigned Multiple Access" or "Markov chains."

How to Read an Engineering Research Paper

- William G. Griswold, CSE, UC San Diego, USA
- <http://www.cs.ucsd.edu/~wgg/CSE210/howtoread.html>

How-to Read a Research Paper contd.

How to Read a Paper?

- S. Keshav, University of Waterloo
- <http://www.sigcomm.org/ccr/drupal/files/p83-keshavA.pdf>

How to Read a CS Research Paper?

- Philip W. L. Fong, University of Regina, Canada
- <http://www.cs.uregina.ca/~pwlifong/CS499/reading-paper.pdf>

Simple Guide to the Research Process

- Centrum voor Wiskunde en Informatica, Netherlands
- <http://library.cwi.nl/tutorial/>
- This extensive tutorial covers the whole process of bibliographical research. Its overview of different types of publications is particularly useful.

How-to Perform the Literature Study

Types of literature

- Books
 - Rarely necessary
 - Access via library (often problematic)
- Journal articles (Zeitschriftenartikel)
 - Mostly IEEE and ACM Journals, access via IEEE/ACM digital library using ELIB (restricted to TU-Intranet):
<http://elib.tu-darmstadt.de/lhb/e-zs.htm>
- Conference papers
 - "in Proceedings of ...", access via IEEE/ACM digital library, homepage of the conference, lab, author, ...
- Technical Reports
 - Usually unique number (KOM-TR-05-2002)
 - Access via homepage of the university, lab, author
- More/other literature? → Your advisor will advise you ...

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Literature research

- TUD E-Library:
 - <http://elib.tu-darmstadt.de/lhb/e-zs.htm>
- ACM digital library
 - http://www.acm.org/dl/alpha_list.html
- IEEE online publications
 - <http://elib.tu-darmstadt.de/ieee/biblio/welcome.html>
- Springer online publications
 - <http://link.springer.de/search/>
- Scientific literature search-engines
 - <http://citeseerx.ist.psu.edu/>
 - <http://scholar.google.com/>
 - <http://www.cs.columbia.edu/~hgs/netbib/netbib.html> (outdated)

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A background image showing a person with glasses and a dark shirt working on a transparent electronic device. The device has various wires and components visible inside. The person is looking intently at the device.

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