# Data Science Workshop Lecture 13: State of the Art

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## State of the Art



A Time to Harvest by Chaosium Inc.

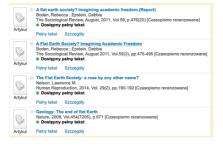
### State of the Art review

- Working on some issue, we should make a state of the art review.
- The review allows us to answer the following questions:
  - Is it worth to take up this issue?
  - What has been done in this area?
  - · What left to achieve?

# State of the Art objectives

- With a state of the art we can:
  - Determine if our solution is innovative in comparison to the existing solutions.
  - Determine a benchmark.
  - Determine how to verify and assess our solutions.

#### Sources



- It is suggested to analyse scientific sources.
- Scientific works go through a revision process.
- Published works are a subject of a public academic discussion.
- That increases trust in published information.
- Works in Computer Science area are mostly published in an electronic version.

### First steps of review

- Determine the keywords that identify works in the examined area.
- 2. Search databases using the keywords.
- 3. Find **several dozen** of promising publications.
- 4. Carry out a primary selection of useful works.

# Keywords

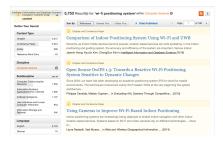
- Determine keywords that can be used to describe the examined area.
  - Find synonyms.
- When you find an article that covers the examined area, find the keywords inside the article and use them.

### Publishers' databases

- Full-text databases.
- Usually limited to one publisher.
- The most extensive databases in the computer science area are Springer and IFFE
  - Mostly, conference papers.

- ACM Digital Library
- IEEE/IEE Electronic Library
- Science Direct
- Springer Link
- Taylor and Francis Online
- Wiley Online Library

#### Sources





https://link.springer.com/

https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/

### General databases

- Abstract databases.
- Collect entries from various sources.
- A good source of bibliographical data.
  - Respected databases in the computer science area are Web of Science and Scopus.

- The WUT Base of Knowledge
- DBPL Computer Science
- Google Scholar
- Scopus
- Web of Science

# Results diversity

- An example of preliminary research for a given author.
  - Author: Marcin Luckner
  - Date: 31.01.2019

- The number of records
  - Google Scholar 47
  - The WUT Base of Knowledge 40
  - Scopus 36
  - DBPL Computer Science 35
  - Web of Science 24

### Database search guidelines

- Use more than one database.
- Use open sources and sources offered by the Main Library of WUT.
- Using full-text databases saves data access time.
- However, the abstract databases give us a more comprehensive view and sometimes link to the full tests.

## Preliminary selection

- In case of a substantial number of articles covering the examined area, we can use the following criteria to narrow the set
  - A publication year
    - The newest publication should present the current State of the Art.
  - A citation number
    - Frequently cited articles may be important for the research area.
  - A publication place
    - Publications in respected journals (and in some conference materials) go through a multi-step review process.

#### Journal assessment

- The impact factor (IF) is an index that reflects the yearly average number of citations that articles published in the last two years in a given journal received.
- It is frequently used as a proxy for the relative importance of a journal within its field.
- Journals with higher impact factors are often deemed to be more important than those with lower ones.
- Journals with IF are grouped in Journal Citation Reports by Clarivate.

## IF controversy

- IF is used to assess the authors.
- Some editors manipulate IP factor value
  - Self-citations and cross-citations.
  - The Polish journal Przeglad Elektorotechniczny was removed from JCR in 2013 with the self-citation index close to 77%.
- Predatory publishers use fake impact factors
  - Universal Impact Factor (UIF), Global Impact Factor (GIF), and Citefactor.

### Conference assessment

- The CORE Conference Ranking provides assessments of significant conferences in the computing disciplines.
- Conferences are assigned to one of the following categories:
  - A\* flagship conference, a leading venue in a discipline area
    - A excellent conference, and highly respected in a discipline area
    - B good conference, and well regarded in a discipline area
    - C other ranked conference venues that meet minimum standards

https://www.core.edu.au/conference-portal

# Reference management

# Reference Management Tools



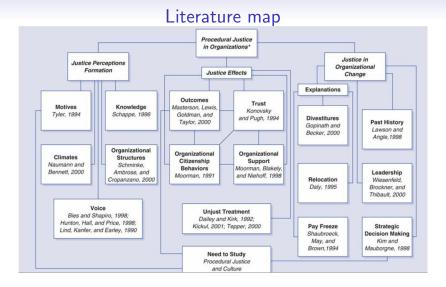
Using Reference Management Tools: EndNote and Zotero by Diarmuid Stokes

## Reference management

- Working with several dozens of references, we have to keep them in order.
- An absolute minimum is to order bibliographical data and full texts in logical structure.
- Conceptually, we can be supported by hierarchical folder structure and literature map.
- A helpful tool is a reference manager.

# Organised folder structure





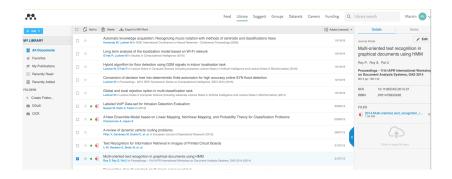
Research Design: Qualitative, Quantitative and Mixed Methods by John W. Creswell and J. David Creswell.

# Organised bibliographical data

- Bibliographical data can be kept using bibtex format.
- That allows the author to create references quickly.
- A reference manager allows us to use this format comfortably.

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## Reference manager



https://www.mendeley.com/

Reference managers comparison

Reference management software	Cost	Does it integrate with Microsoft Word?	Can it capture a webpage to create a record?
RefWorks	US\$100/year or free at any subscribing academic institution	Yes (requires download of Write-N-Cite utility)	Yes
Zotero	Free/open source	Yes (also works with OpenOffice)	Yes
EndNote	US\$249.95	Yes (also works with OpenOffice)	No
Mendeley	Free	Yes (also works with OpenOffice)	Yes
Citationsy	Free	Yes (also works with OpenOffice)	Yes

https://www.scribendi.com/academy/articles/reference\_management\_software\_solutions.en.html

### **Task**

- In teams
  - Determine the keywords to prepare the State of the Art for your project.

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