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Our agenda...

- IEEE Content, Mission & Milestones
- Innovation and Initiatives from IEEE
- Successful authorship w/ IEEE
- Using IEEE Xplore Effectively





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- Smart Grid(s) 1,190
- ▶ Big Data 772
- Filter Bank 722
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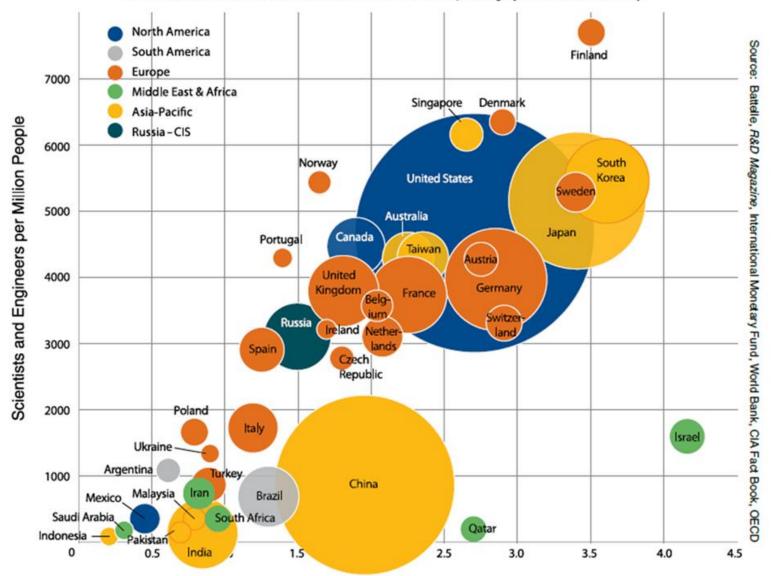
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Population	30.1 million	120.2 million	46 million	202.6 million	29 million
GDP*	US \$210 billion	US \$1.3 trillion	US \$369 billion	US \$2.24 trillion	US \$368 billion
GDP per capita	US \$11,100	US \$17,700	US \$11,100	US \$15,200	US \$13,600
GDP growth rate	5.1%	1.1%	4.2%	2.5%	1.6%

US:
2.7%
R&D
invest
ment =
4%
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*GDP (official exchange rate)

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US data: US Department of Commerce "Why investing in R&D matters," 2012



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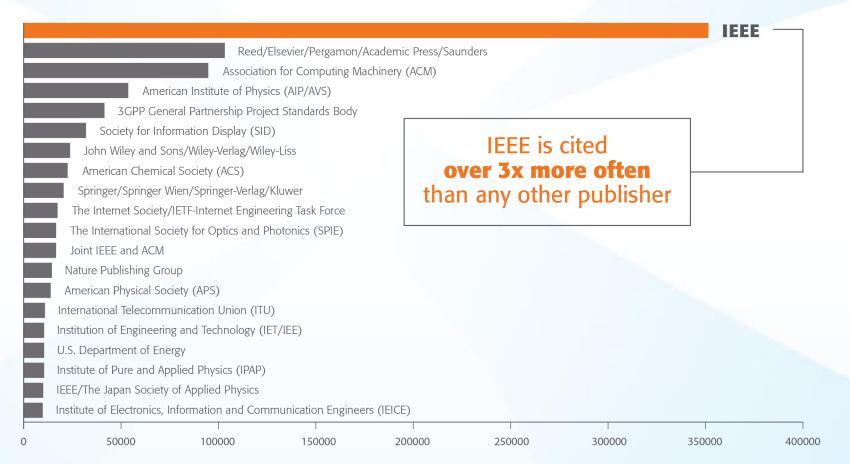
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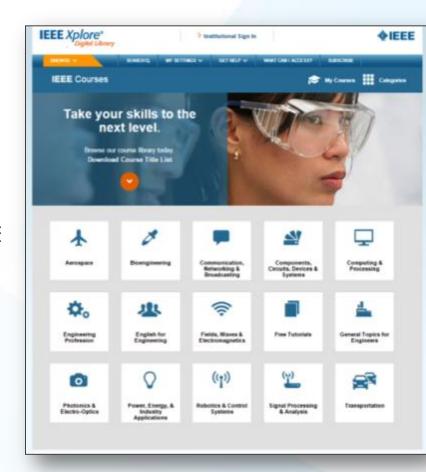




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- Filter Bank
- Arduino
- Internet of things
- Cloud Computing
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- 2. Cloud Computing Enabling Technologies: http://ieeexplore.ieee.org/courses/details/EDP384
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- 4. Transportation Electrification: Applications of Electric Drive Trains: http://ieeexplore.ieee.org/courses/details/EDP370
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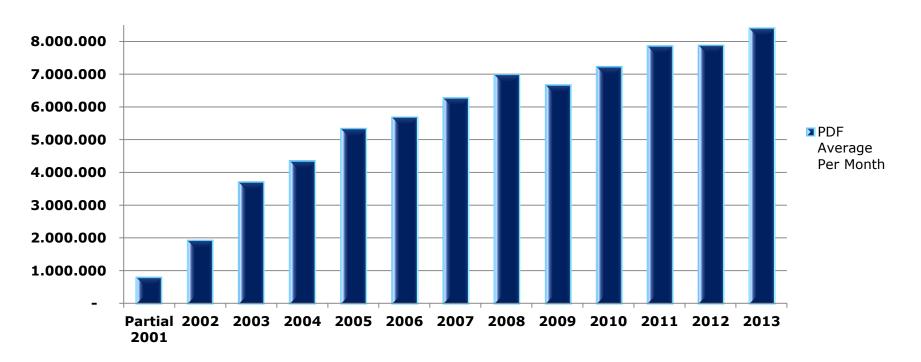
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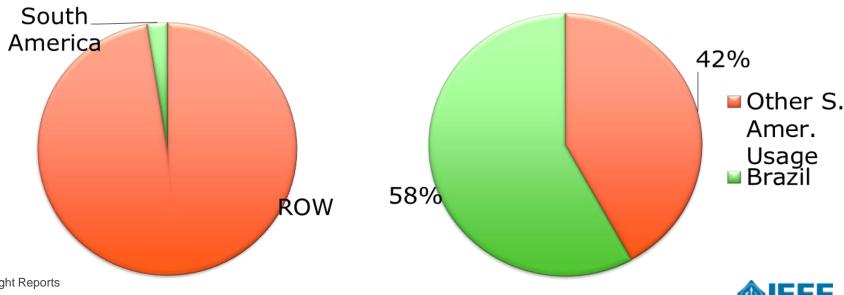


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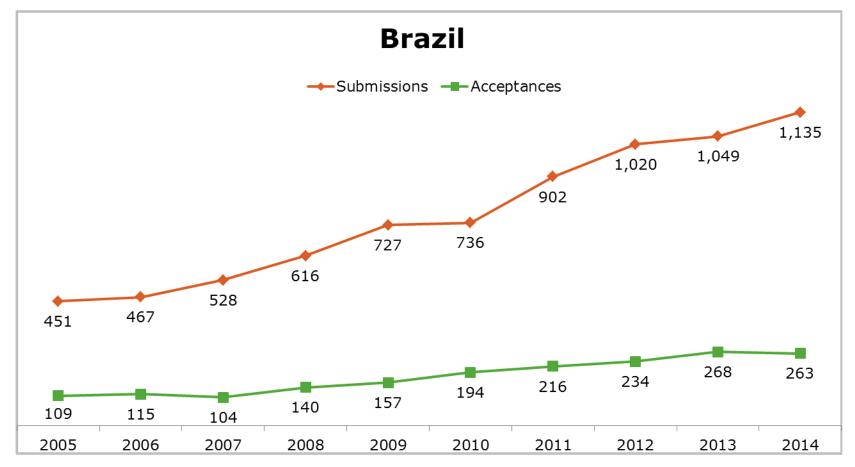


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Keynote Speaker,

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Education

Ph.D., Electrical Engineering, Universidade de Aveiro, 1993 Lic. Eng, Electrical Engineering, Universidade de Aveiro, Aveiro, 1985

IEEE Publications Activities

- > IEEE Student Member since 1990, Member 1995, Senior Member 1999, Fellow 2007
- ➤ Associate Editor, IEEEE Transactions on Microwave Theory and Techniques, 2010-2014
- ➤ Guest Editor, IEEE Microwave Magazine, Aug. 2010 and Sep./Oct. 2014
- > General Chair, Integrated Nonlinear Microwave and Millimeter Wave Workshop, Aveiro 2006
- > TPC Chair, IEEE EuroCon-2011 Conference, Lisbon, 2011,
- ➤ IEEE Distinguished Microwave Lecturer, 2014-2016

University Management Activities

- ➤ Coordinator of the Electrical Engineering Scientific Council, Universidade de Aveiro, 1994/1995
- ➤ Electrical Engineering Department Head, Universidade de Aveiro, 2007-2011

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Motivation

The objective of a **Scientific Publication** is to disseminate **Scientific Knowledge**.

The **Review Process** is the method that scientists use to grant a certain information the right to be published as scientific knowledge.

The **Review Process** has thus this immense responsibility of attributing to an information the label of

Science



Motivation

So, we can only understand the Publications business and the **Peer Review Process** if we know what is the **Scientific Knowledge** and how it is disseminated via a **Scientific Publication**!



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What is Scientific Knowledge?

Main Features of the Scientific Knowledge

Not superficial but Elaborated

Not subjective, but Objective

Not uncritical, but Rational

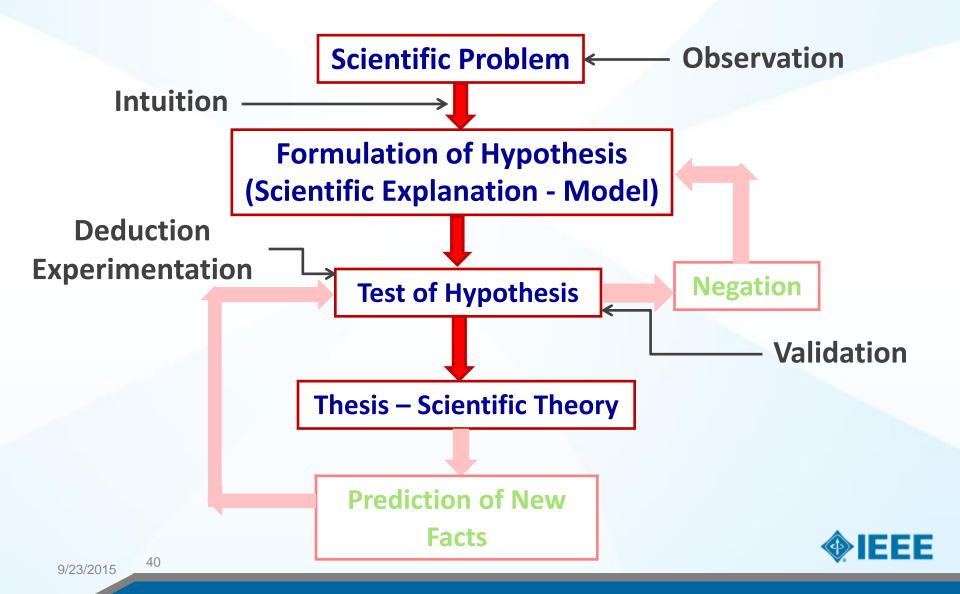
Not disorganized, but Systematic

Not absolute but Approximate, Inexact and Fallible

But mostly, and above all, Verifiable!



The Scientific Method



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A *Scientific Article*, or *Paper*, is the most often used **vehicle to disclose a scientific/technical innovation** (a new idea, concept, theory, explanation, analytical tool, device, instrument, etc.), submitting it to the objective criticism of the other researchers.

Objective: To make public a certain scientific knowledge, so that other researchers can trust it, use it and give the authors credit for its creation.



Big pressure to publish (publish-or-perish rule),

- → Many more submissions that are not the corollary of a well conducted scientific research, or of a worth to publish (new) idea, but simply the result of that need to publish more and more.
- → One of the present's main threats to science!
- → Major cause of rejected papers.



Three ways to disclose scientific/technical knowledge:

Conference Presentations

Journal Papers

Magazine Articles/Technical Books

Conference Presentations: intended to disclose preliminary scientific results before a live audience, and so to promote technical discussions between researchers.

... reviewed for the novelty of their idea (as they serve to grant the authorship) and the adequacy of the topic to be presented in a short (20 minutes) presentation.



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Journal Papers: main vehicle of disseminating new scientific knowledge. They are carefully reviewed, more detailed, accurate and are thus preferred by the scientific community.

... deep revision for significance, rigor, accuracy and validation, as they constitute the main vehicle to define a statement as "scientific".



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Magazine Articles/Books: (nowadays), devoted to works that review a particular topic or that present material of digested and tutorial (not necessarily new) nature.

... review is mostly focused on the relevance of the covered topics, the quality of used language, organization and clarity of the exposition, and their tutorial value.



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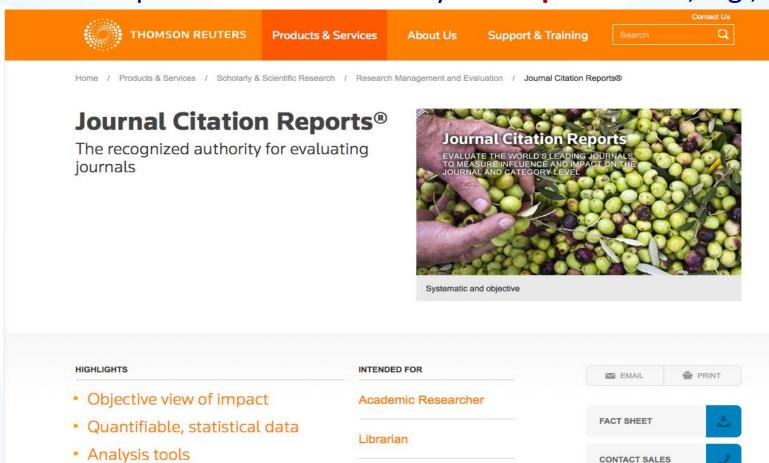
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Paper Title:

The Title of the Paper is its first, and most important, identifier.

It should be, thus, properly selected so that it tells the reader what the paper is about.

However, it must be also concise, not only to be manageable as a short identifier, as there are even publications' media that limit its length.



Abstract:

The Abstract should be a **brief summary** of the work described, emphasizing what are the **contributions to the state-of-the-art**.

Most of the times, it is the only fragment of the paper (beyond the Title) that is publicly and easily available for free.

It should be written in a **clear and so concise** way that another researcher should have all the information needed to decide whether or not he should read the complete paper.



Index Terms/Keywords:

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Introduction:

The Introduction should serve several purposes:

- 1 Identify the **object of the work**, i.e., the concrete **scientific problem** to be solved.
- 2 Describe the **state-of-the-art**, clearly referring the previous approaches adopted to solve the problem and what was left (and thus has) to be done.
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Introduction:

The Introduction should serve several purposes:

- 3 Briefly, but clearly, state **in which way** the present work contributes to **advance the state-of-the-art**, or to bridge some of its gaps.
- 4 Sometimes, the Introduction is also used to give a **brief** description of how the body of the paper is organized.

But this, by no means, should repeat material present in the subsequent sections of the article, but simply guide the reader through the remainder of the text.



Paper Body:

Should tell the rationale underlying the proposed idea.

Should be **organized in Sections**, and **Sub-Sections** if needed to guarantee an interesting, clear and easy to follow text.

Should dedicate a section for clearly explaining the hypothesis that is proposed, its underlying approximations or assumptions, and thus clearly state its validity range.

Should have another section, or sections, for identifying the materials and methods used in the experiments, to present and carefully discuss the results, and, from these, validate or refute the advanced hypothesis.

Paper Body:

Figures and Tables constitute a very effective means to disclose scientific information in a concise and precise way.

However, Figures and Tables cannot stand by themselves. Their content should be discussed, or, at least, briefly described, in the text body, and a **caption or legend** should be included for each of them.

Each Figure and Table should have a **label** (usually a set of numbers that are attributed in a consecutive way, according to the order the figures or tables appear, and are referred to, in the text) that will allow its reference in an easy way.



Paper Body:

Should be written in a sober, objective (refraining from using adjectives) and rigorous way, to obviate misunderstandings.

Should use a clear text that is sufficiently concise to keep the attention of the reader, but complete enough to allow an **independent researcher** to **repeat the tests** and reach the same conclusions.

The page layout of the paper, format styles of the various parts of the text, labels and captions of figures and tables, indexes of references, and any other formats are usually defined by the publisher and should be followed in a very strict way.



Conclusions:

The concluding section is the last section of the paper body.

Although it is often used as a summary of the work (assuming, this way, a similar structure and content as the Abstract) its main aim is to give a critical view of the work done, highlighting its most important scientific results and possibly advancing some research topics motivated by these results.

Many times, the Conclusion is too close to the Abstract which becomes redundant and is thus undesirable!



Appendices:

Sometimes, technical papers include one or more appendices. These are used to disclose **material** that is considered **important but not fundamental** to the main stream of the work description.

Examples of these are **demonstrations** of **theorems**, results, or statements in general, that were invoked without proof in the text. Other examples include **illustrative case studies** and other brief examples of application of the results advanced in the paper.

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Objectives of the Paper Review Process

The Paper Review Process is intended to determine the suitability for publication of the submitted material, namely

that the disclosed results derived from the strict application of the scientific method,

and so that they are verifiable

and thus deserve to be accepted as Scientific Knowledge.



The Origins of the Peer Review Process

The Review Process must be based on the evaluation/criticism of unbiased and independent (from the work) experts.

An expert is an individual known to work in the field, and so to have already published in the same topic – **Peer-Review Process**.

To guarantee that the reviewers are unbiased and independent, the authors cannot know them, so that any form of potential (active or passive) pressure on the reviewer is prevented – **Blind-Review-Process**.

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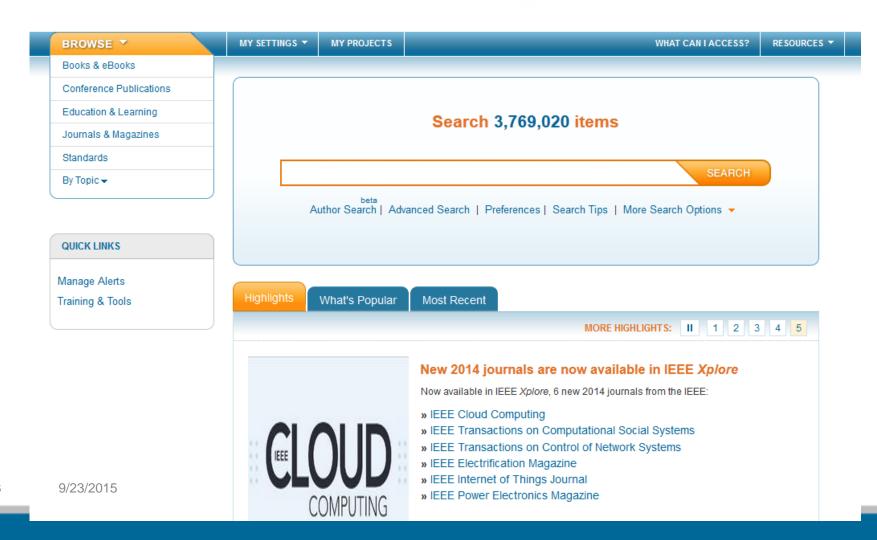




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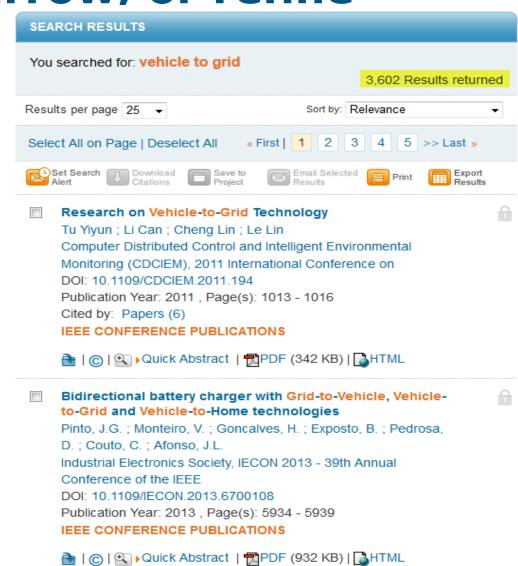
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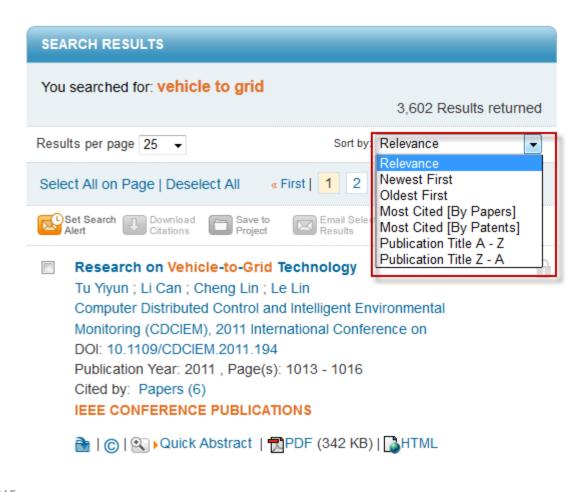


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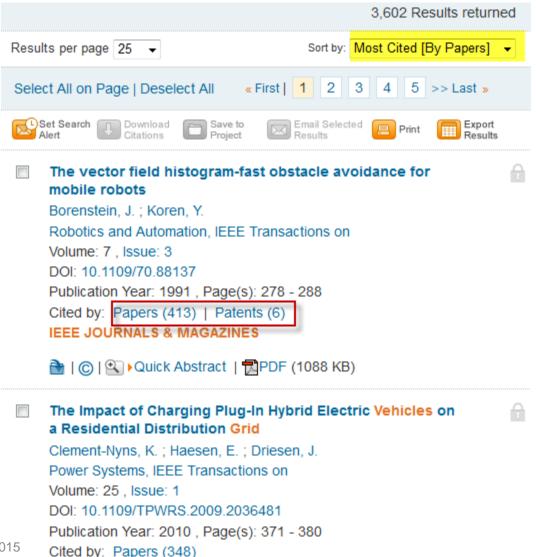


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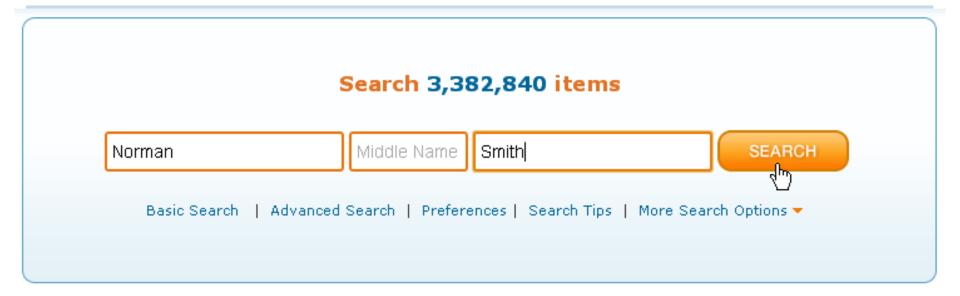


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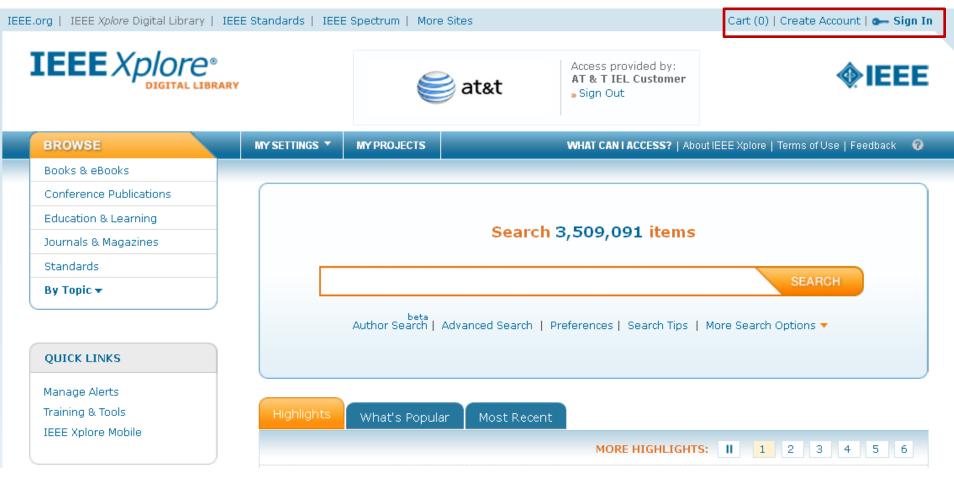
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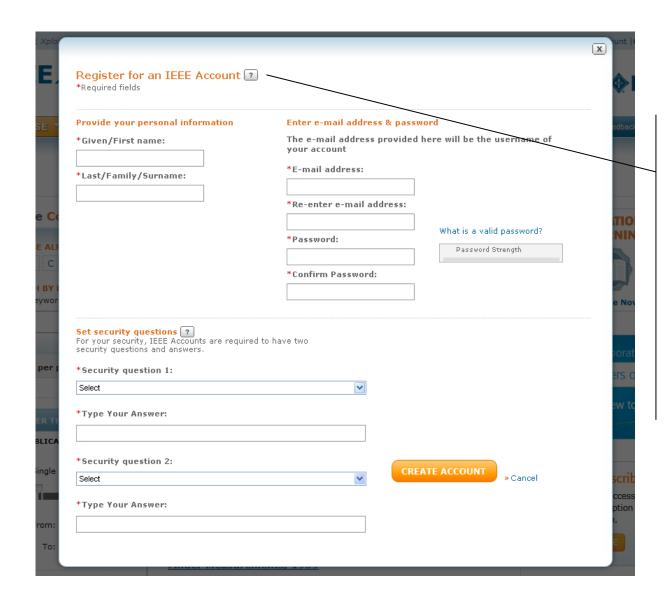




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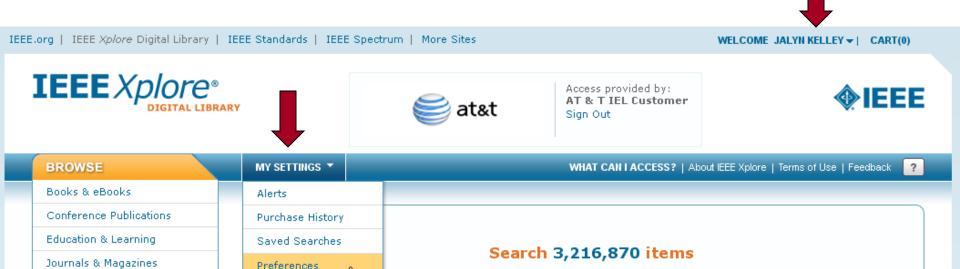
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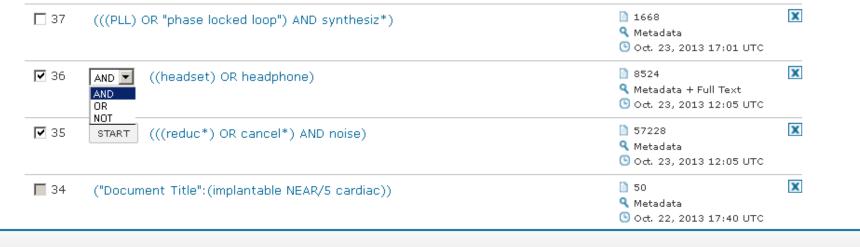
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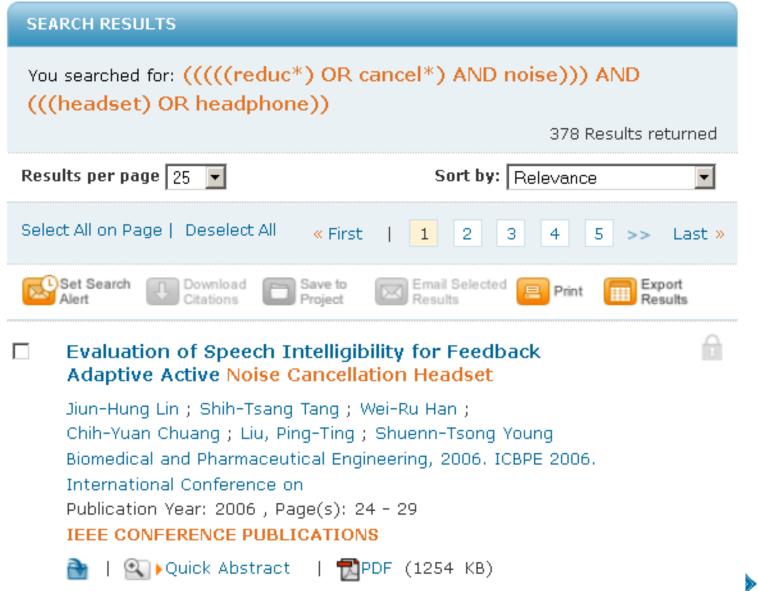
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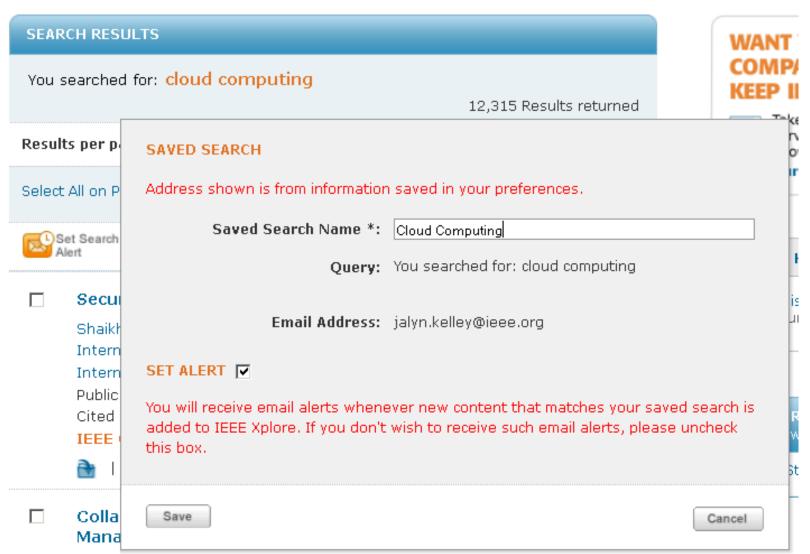
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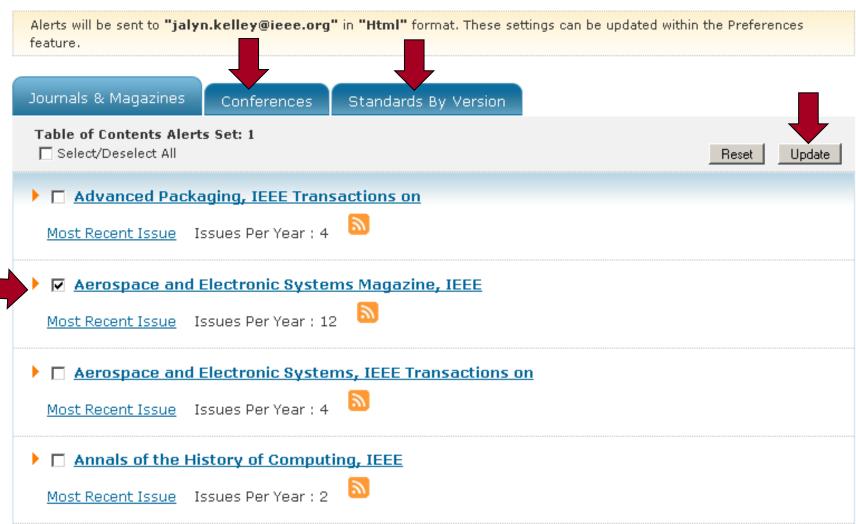
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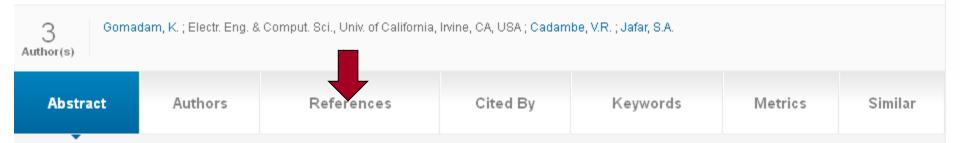
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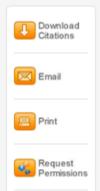
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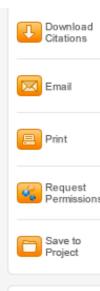
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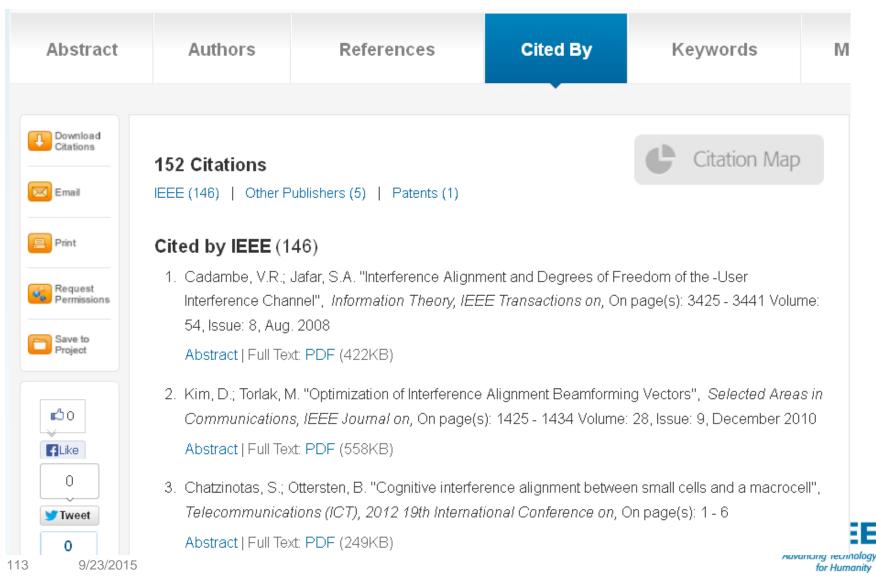
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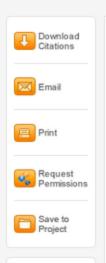
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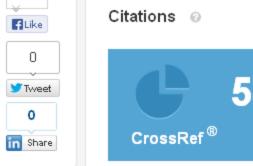
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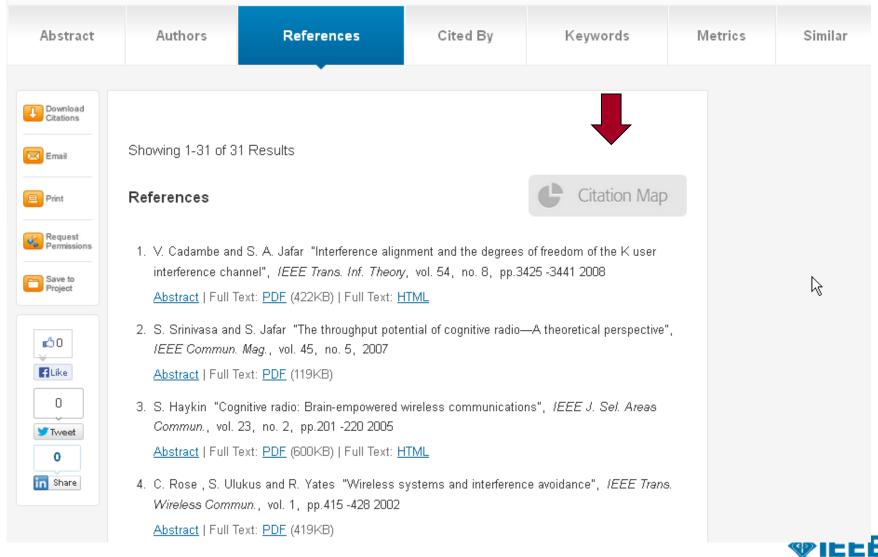






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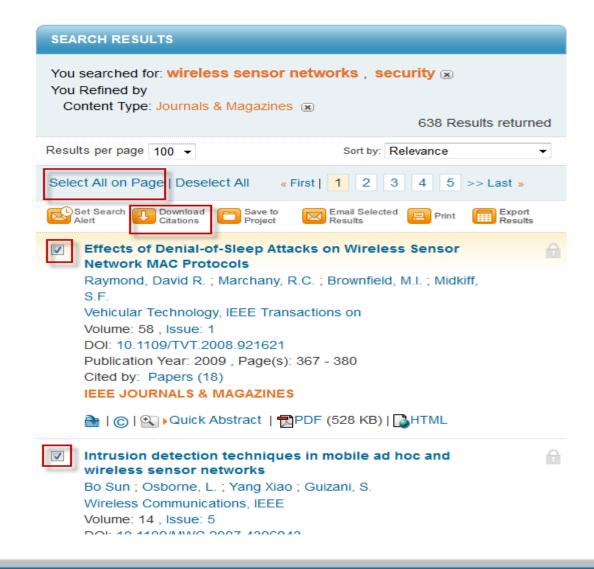
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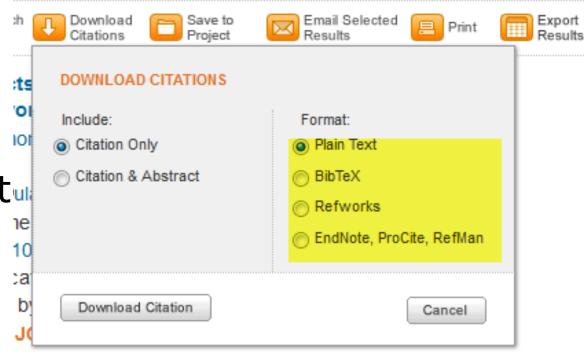
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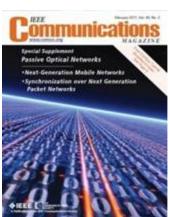
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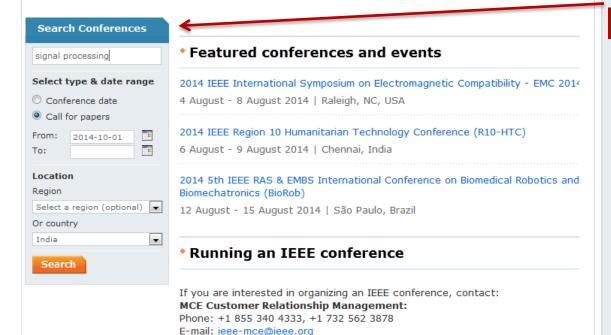
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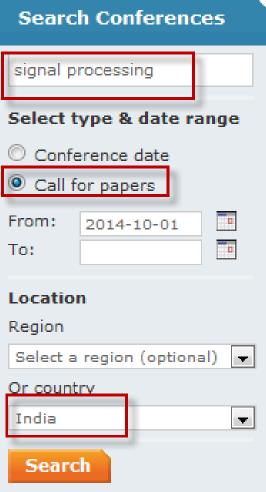
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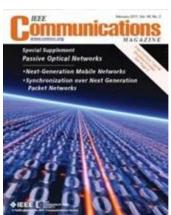
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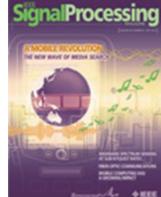
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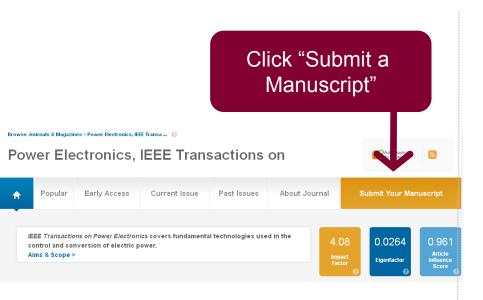






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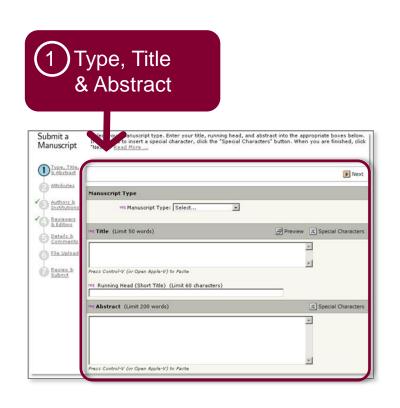


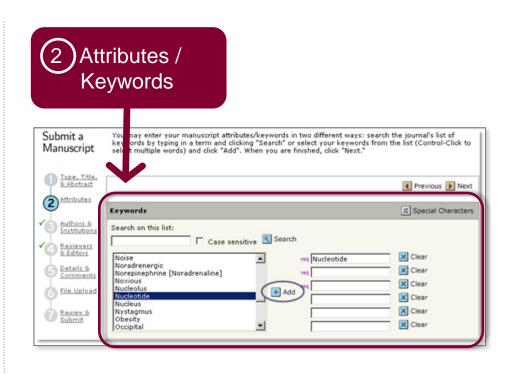




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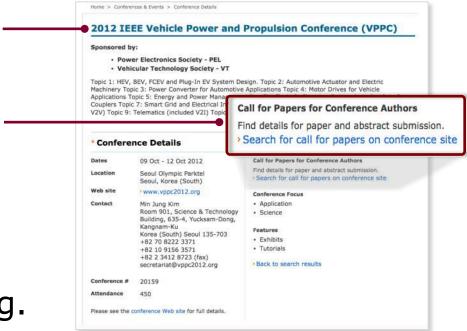


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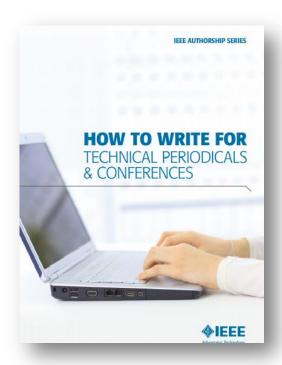
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