Research & Writing Resources

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Today

Library website and resources

Organizing your research: Zotero

Finding the latest research

Finding and using other resources (e.g. books, standards/codes, patents)

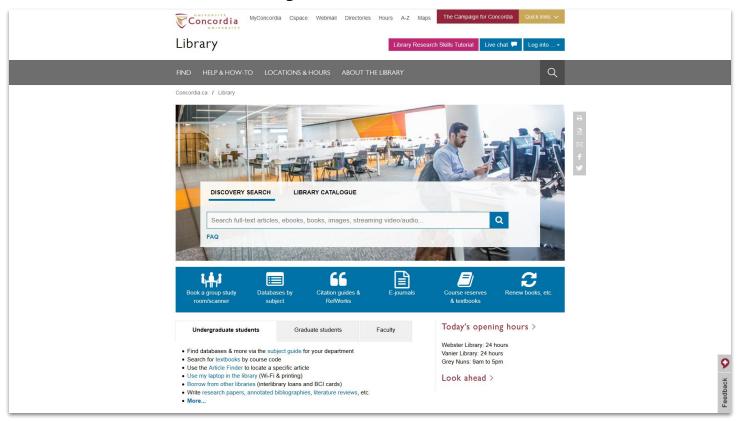
Citing sources (e.g. papers, books, software, images)

Getting help

Slides: http://bit.ly/2JJW0Cn

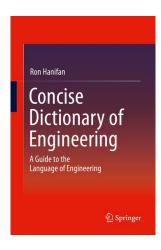
Library web site and resources

library.concordia.ca



Key resources

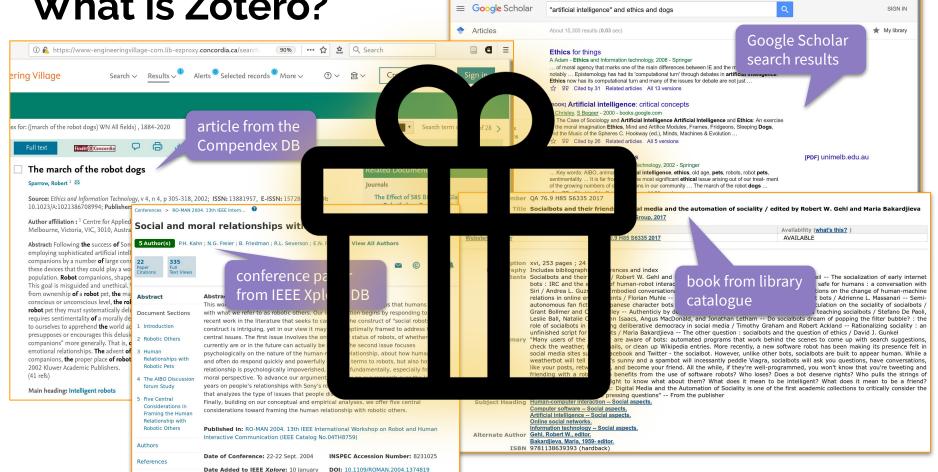
- ENCS Subject Guide: Help & How-To -> Subject & course guides -> Engineering & Computer Science
 - Links to databases, books, ebooks, data, standards, technical reports, etc.
 - Handbooks, encyclopedias, and dictionaries ← good for terminology!
 - Course and project guides
 - Writing and citation guides (IEEE, RefWorks)
 - Librarian contact information
- Concise Dictionary of Engineering, Ron Hanifan (ebook) <u>clues.concordia.ca/record=b3197439</u>



Organizing your research ZOtero

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Citations



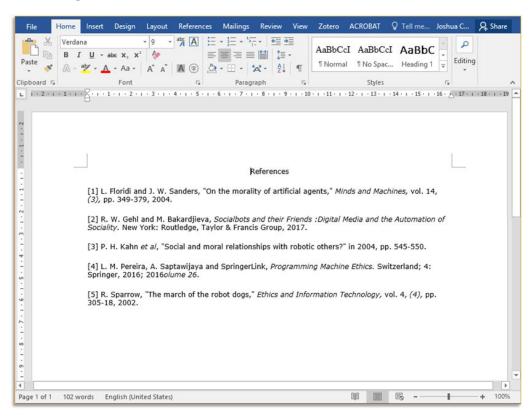
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Zotero gives you this



Activity 1: Zotero Setup

- 1) Register https://www.zotero.org
- 2) Start the desktop application & go to the **Tools** menu
- 3) Check that the Browser Connector for Chrome is installed
- 4) Check that the Add-on for Microsoft Word is installed

Help: <u>lib-citation@concordia.ca</u>

https://www.zotero.org/support/

Finding the latest research

Where is the most up-to-date research published?

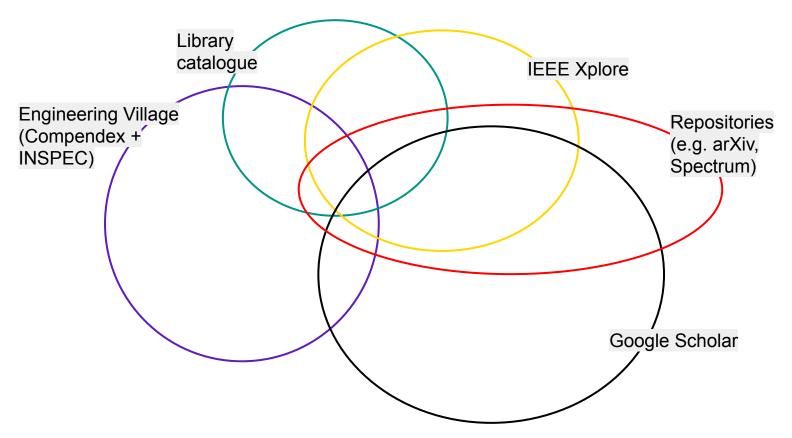
Conference papers

Peer-reviewed articles in scholarly journals

Open access repositories

Books/ebooks (slower publication cycle, often more theoretical)

How to find and access research?



Resources available via Concordia Library

- Bibliographic databases (citations/abstracts)
 - Compendex ← General engineering; via Engineering Village
 - <u>INSPEC</u> ← Electrical, computer & mechanical; via Engineering Village
 - △ Aerospace and High Technology ← Aerospace
- Full text databases (full papers)
 - IEEE Xplore ← Electrical & computer
 - <u>ACM Digital Library</u> ← Computer

Always **connect to these databases through the library website**, especially when off-campus, to avoid paywalls and difficulties with accessing content!

...what about after I graduate?

Open access repositories

- <u>arXiv</u> (Cornell University pre-print archive)
- OSF Preprints (pre-print repositories for many disciplines)
- Federal Science Library (Canadian and other documents or data)
- <u>Unpaywall</u> (Chrome/Firefox extension that will search a large database of over 24 million open access repositories to find free and open copies of paywalled scholarly articles)

Keeping up with the field

- IEEE Spectrum
- MIT Technology Review

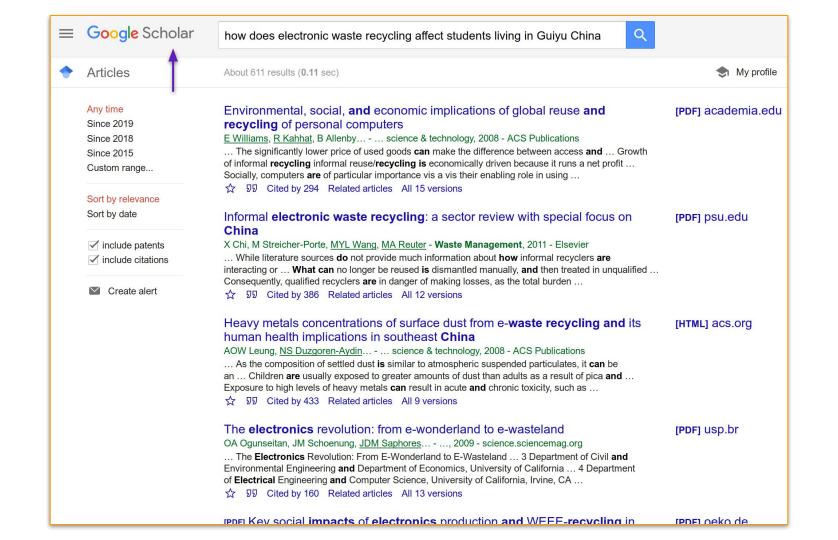
Deciding what to look for and finding it

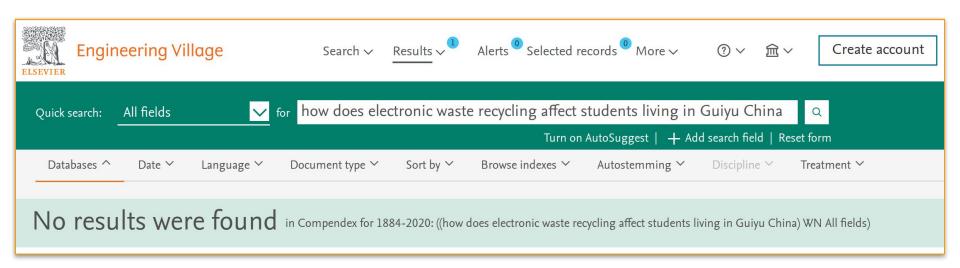
Choosing your research question



A question to guide our search

How does electronic waste recycling affect citizens living in Guiyu, China?





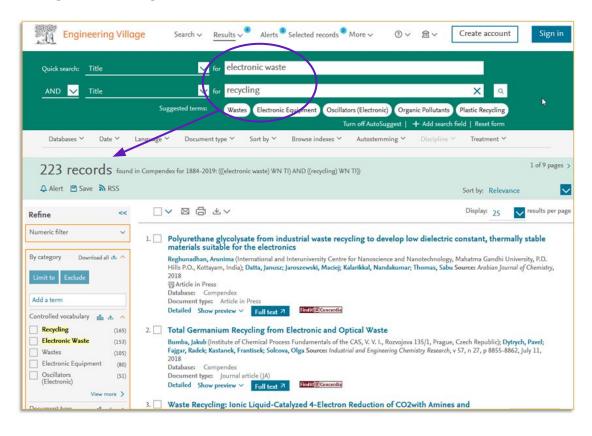
No results from over 22 million records?!?

Identify key concepts

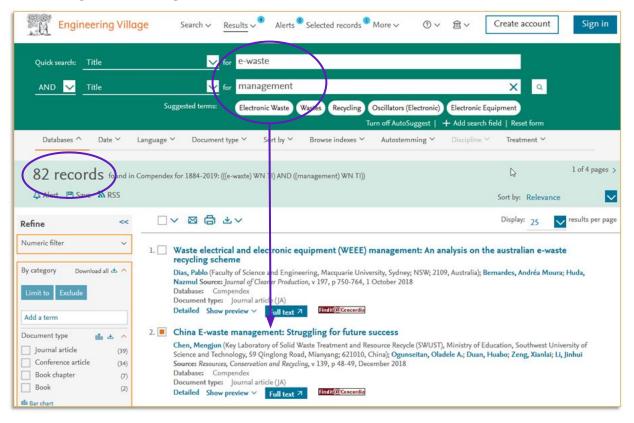
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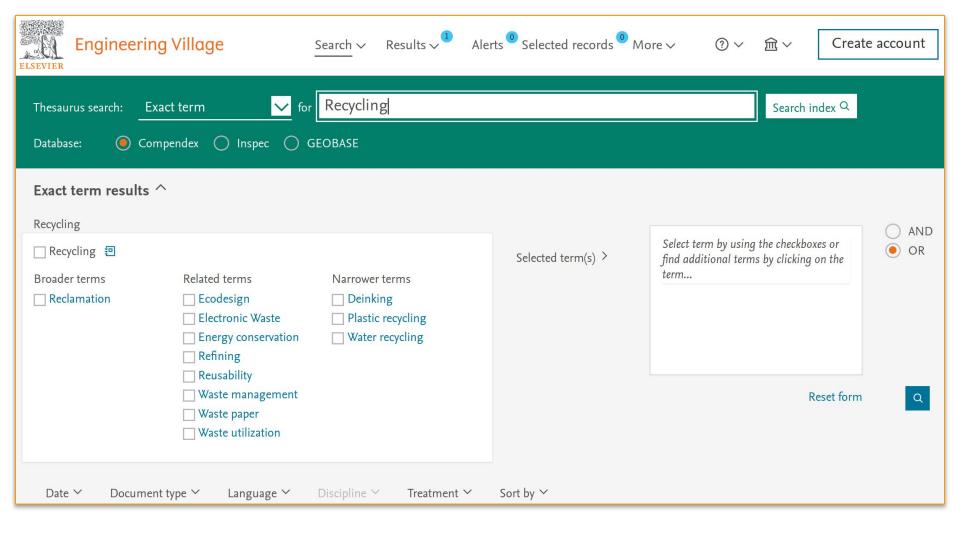
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Need for synonyms and related terms



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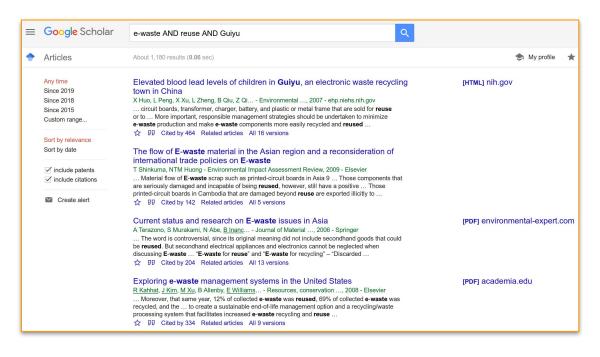


How does electronic waste recycling affect citizens living in Guiyu, China?

Simple

Concept 1 AND Concept 2

Concept 1 AND Synonym 2



How does electronic waste recycling affect citizens living in Guiyu, China?

Advanced

Concept 1 OR Synonym

AND Concept 2 OR Synonym

AND Concept 3 OR Synonym

How does electronic waste recycling affect citizens living in Guiyu, China?



Search tip: truncations!

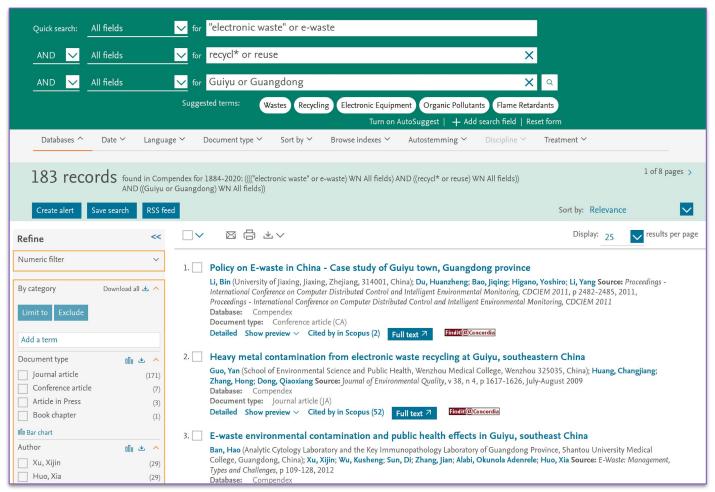
recycling = recycling

recycl* = recycle OR recycled OR recyling

Search tip: quotation marks!

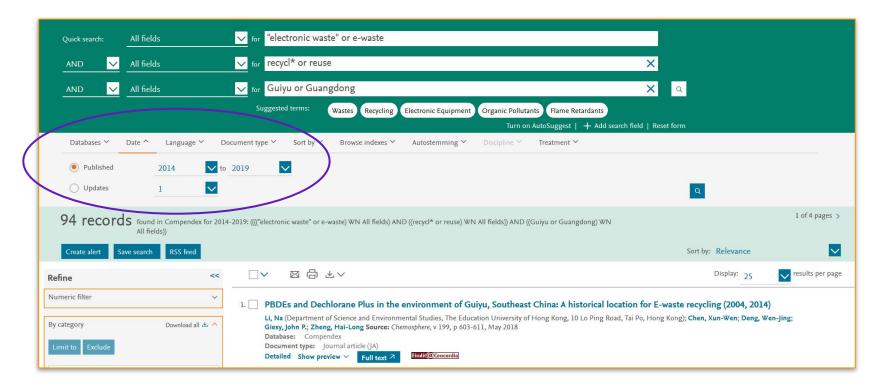
electronic waste = electronic AND waste

"electronic waste" = phrase search



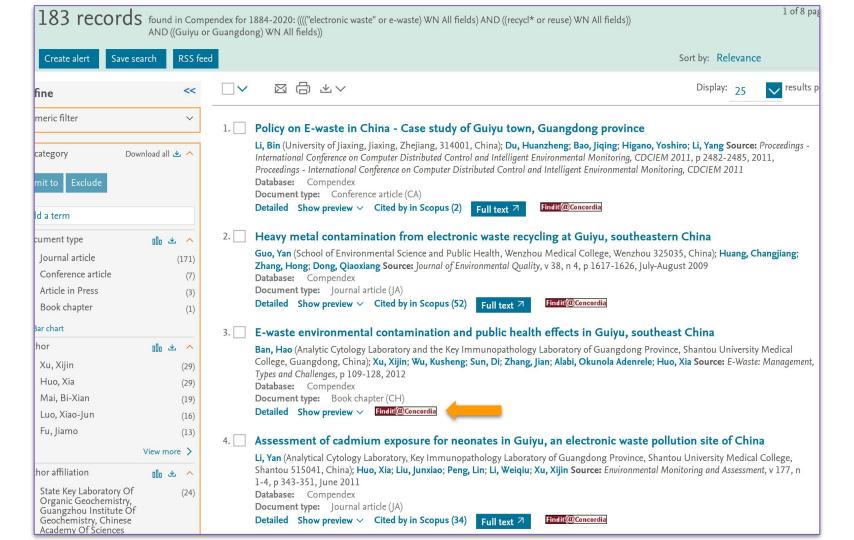
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I found an article I want in (e.g.) Compendex. How do I get access to the full text?

- 1. Look for **Full text** or **PDF** button, if one exists.
- 2. Look for Find it @ Concordia button
- 3. Request a copy through Interlibrary Loan (COLOMBO)
- 4. Ask a Librarian if you need help!





You are looking for:

E-waste environmental contamination and public health effects in Guiyu, southeast China

Ban, Hao. E-Waste: Management, Types and Challenges v. no. p. 109 Year: 2012



Check the library catalogue:

<u>Search for the item in the library catalogue</u> (by title *E-Waste: Management, Types and Challenges*)

Interlibrary Loan:

Get the publication through another library using Interlibrary Loan (COLOMBO)

COLOMBO login help

More options:

Get the publication from Concordia's collection through Inter-Campus & Article Delivery

Get the publication through another library using Interlibrary Loan

Ask a Librarian

Search the library catalogue

What is "Find it! @ Concordia"?



You are looking for:

Heavy metal contamination from electronic waste recycling at Guiyu, southeastern China Guo, Yan. Journal of Environmental Quality v. 38 no. 4 p. 1617 Year: 2009

Click on the link(s) below to get the article:

ProQuest Central

Scheck the library catalogue:

Search for the Journal in the library catalogue (by ISSN 00472425)

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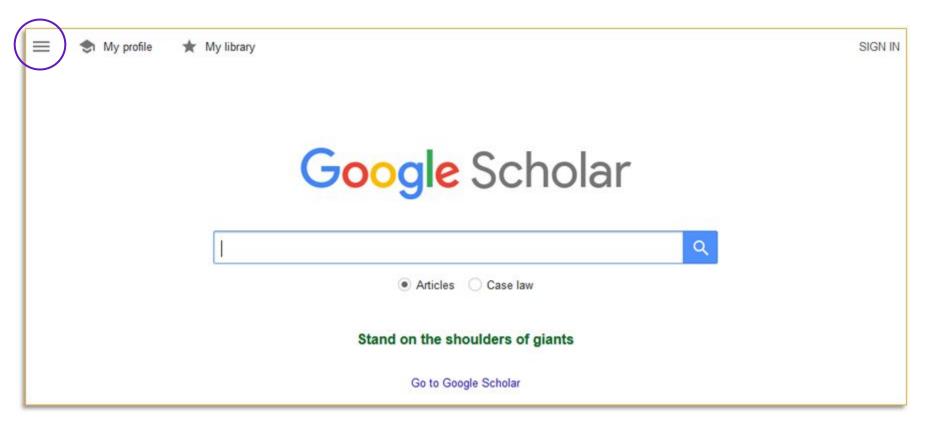
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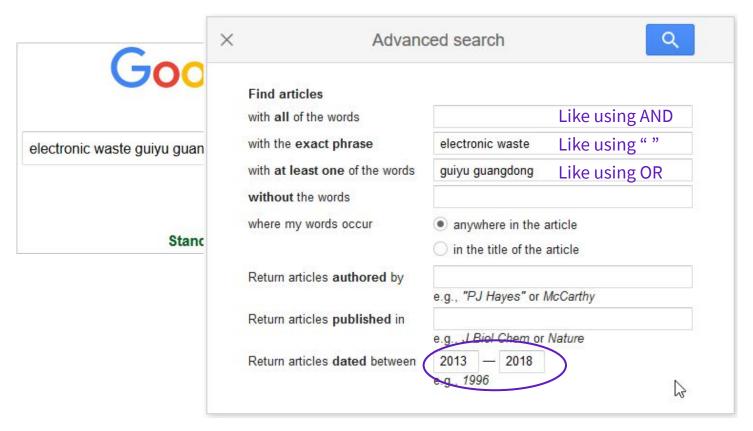
Activity 2: Copying reference information (bibliographic data) to Zotero

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Finding articles in Google Scholar

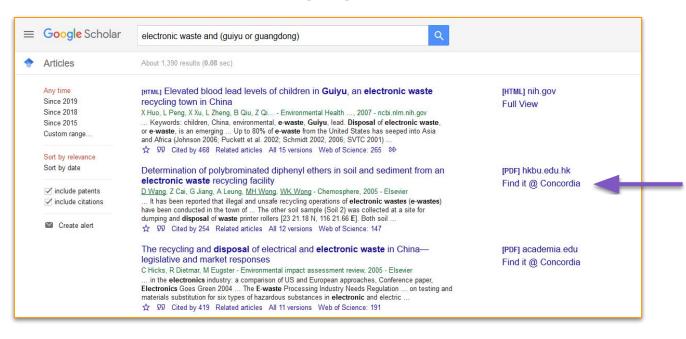


Google Scholar Tips



Google Scholar Tips

Set up "Library Links" to add Find it! @ Concordia button to Google Scholar results: https://library.concordia.ca/find/google-scholar.php



Activity 3: Export references from Google Scholar to Zotero

You can do it!

Finding and using other resources

Books and ebooks

Library catalog: https://clues.concordia.ca/

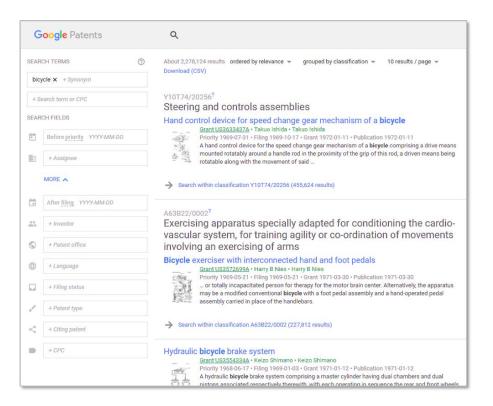
Or try **Discovery Search** on library website

Approach searching the same way as for databases:

- 1) Break question into research topics
- 2) Brainstorm search terms and synonyms
- 3) Combine search terms and synonyms using AND and OR operators

Patents

- Google Patents
- Canadian PatentDatabase
- US Patent and Trademark
 Office



Citing sources

Citing: General information

See **ENCS Subject Guide** for information on citing and **IEEE citation style**

What do you need to cite?

- Any text you quote from another document, website, book, etc.
- Paraphrasing someone's words or ideas
- Images, graphs, etc.

It is always better to err on the side of caution and to **cite the source of any information** you use in your writing.

Citing images in IEEE Style

Caption under image:

"Fig. #: Descriptive title"

Citation: List citation number and cite according to the format of the source where you found the image.

E.g., Image from book: [2] M. C. Cheng and R. Wirtz, Mechanical Vibration and Analysis, 2nd ed. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Pearson Prentice Hall, 2015, p. 17.

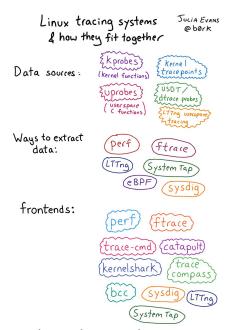


Fig. 1: Linux tracing systems

[1] J. Evans, "Linux tracing systems & how they fit together," *Julia Evans*. Updated July 05, 2017. [Blog]. Available:

https://jvns.ca/blog/2017/07/05/linux-tracing-systems, Accessed on: Dec. 19, 2017.

Citing software in IEEE Style

Software

Model for a software application

 A. L. Programmer or Organization Name. The software package. (Year) [Medium]. Place: Publisher. Available: site/path/file, Accessed on: Month. Day, Year.

A techique used in some IEEE publications simplifies the reference as follows:

"Software Application Name", Year.

Examples

Software developed by an organization (downloaded)

- Apache HTTP Server. The Apache Software Foundation, 2017 [Online]. Available: https://httpd.apache.org/download.cgi#apache24
- [1] "Apache HTTP Server", 2017.

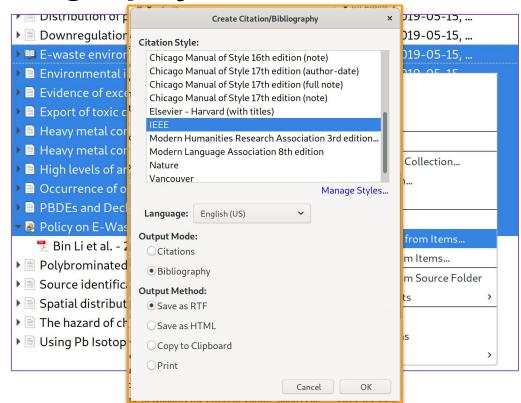
Software developed by a company (from a physical medium)

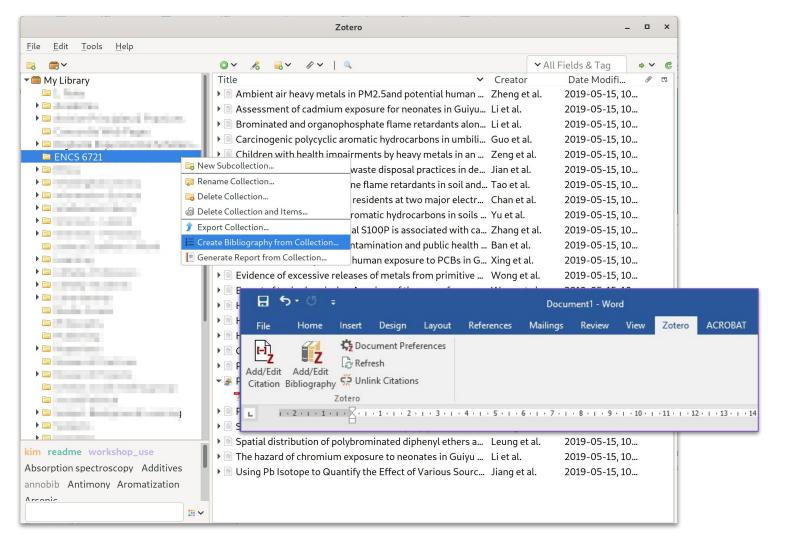
MATLAB. Natick, MA: The MathWorks, Inc., 2002 [DVD-ROM].

Citing: Creating a bibliography

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- Keeps track of your sources
- Creates your bibliographies for you in IEEE (or Chicago, etc.) style
- Easily insert citations while you're writing



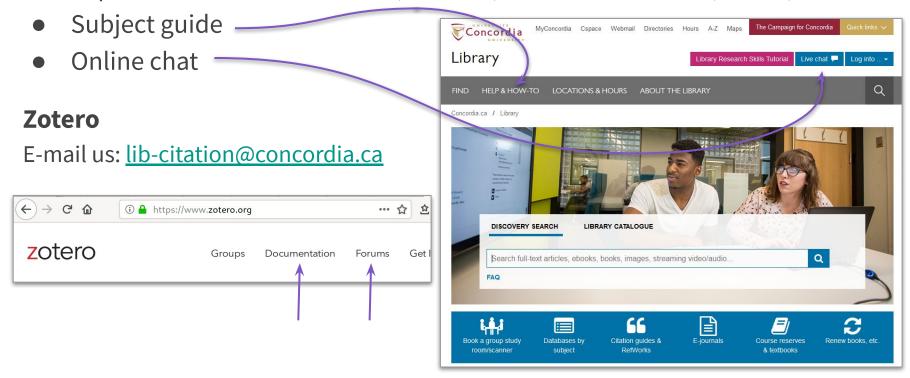


Activity 4: Use Zotero to create a bibliography

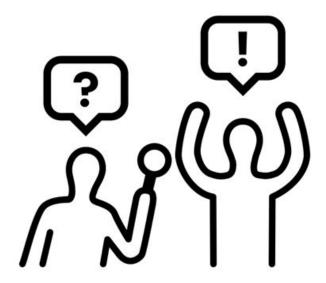
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Getting help

In person at the Ask Us! desk (Webster) or Reference desk (Vanier)



Questions?



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