SEARCHING FOR SCHOLARLY INFORMATION: WHERE & HOW

LIBRARY SESSION FOR ENCS 282

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AGENDA

1. Where to search?
2. What are the major types of information sources?
3. What are the major library search tools?
4. How to cite sources properly in IEEE style?

WHAT SEARCH TOOL DO YOU USE TO FIND ACADEMIC INFORMATION?

SHARE YOUR ANSWER IN THE CHAT BOX

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE?

GOOGLE SCHOLAR

Volume | Quantity | Quick

LIBRARY DATABASES

Depth | Quality | Thorough

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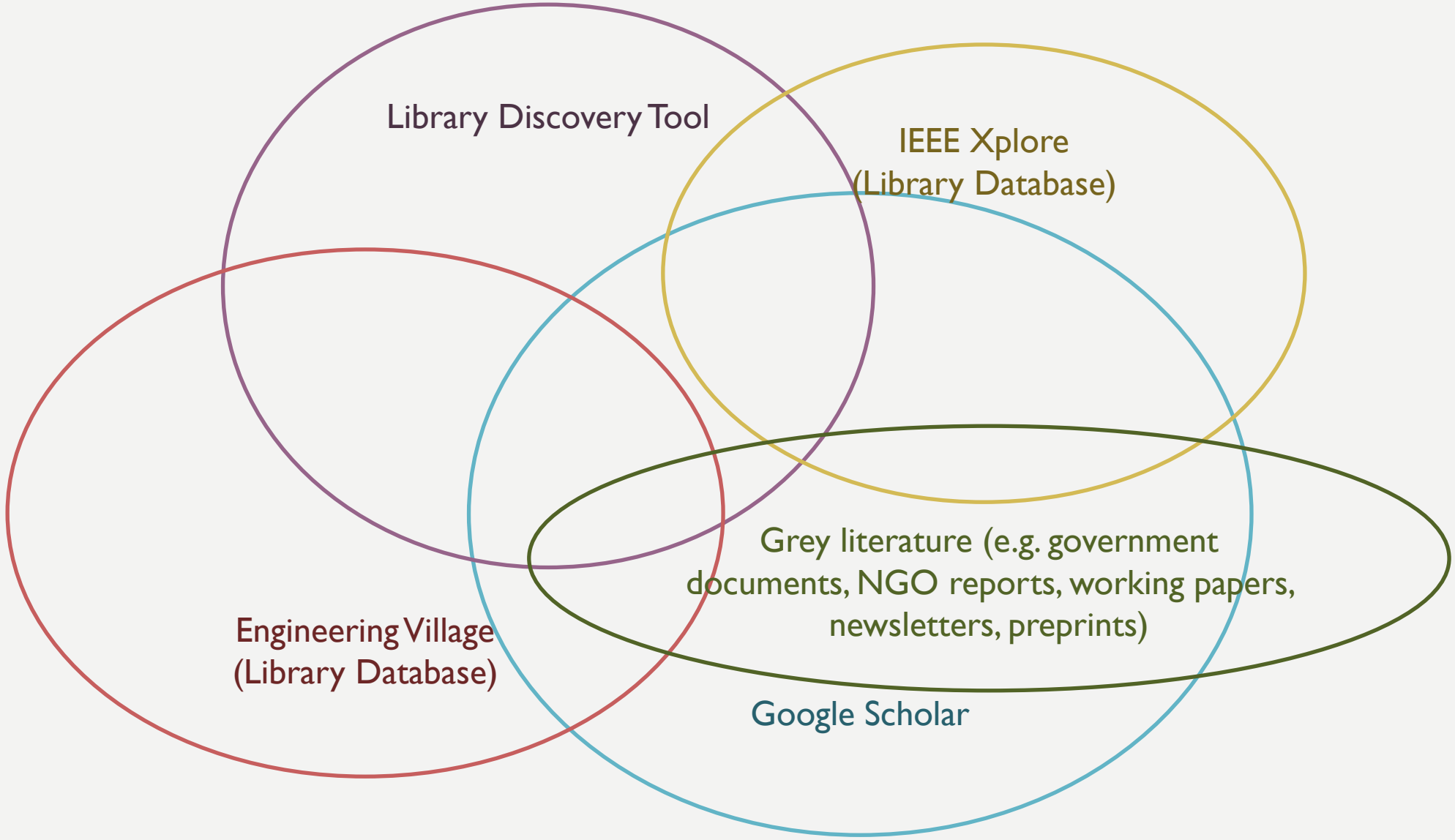
WHERE SHOULD YOU SEARCH?



EVALUATE INFORMATION

EQUALLY IMPORTANT IN ACADEMIA AND PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

KEY CRITERIA TO EVALUATE QUALITY

Relevance

Authority

Date

Appearance

Reason

Mandalios, J. (2013). RADAR: An approach for helping students evaluate Internet sources. *Journal of Information Science*, *39*(4), 470–478. https://doi.org/10.1177/0165551513478889

MAJOR TYPES OF INFORMATION SOURCES

A DRAG AND DROP ACTIVITY

CITE A WIDE RANGE OF SOURCES FOR THEIR DIFFERENCES IN PURPOSE, SCOPE, AND PERSPECTIVES

MAKE USE OF SCHOLARLY SOURCES GENEROUSLY

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Book

Literature review article

Thesis / Dissertation

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Standard / Technical document

Journal articles (often peer-reviewed)

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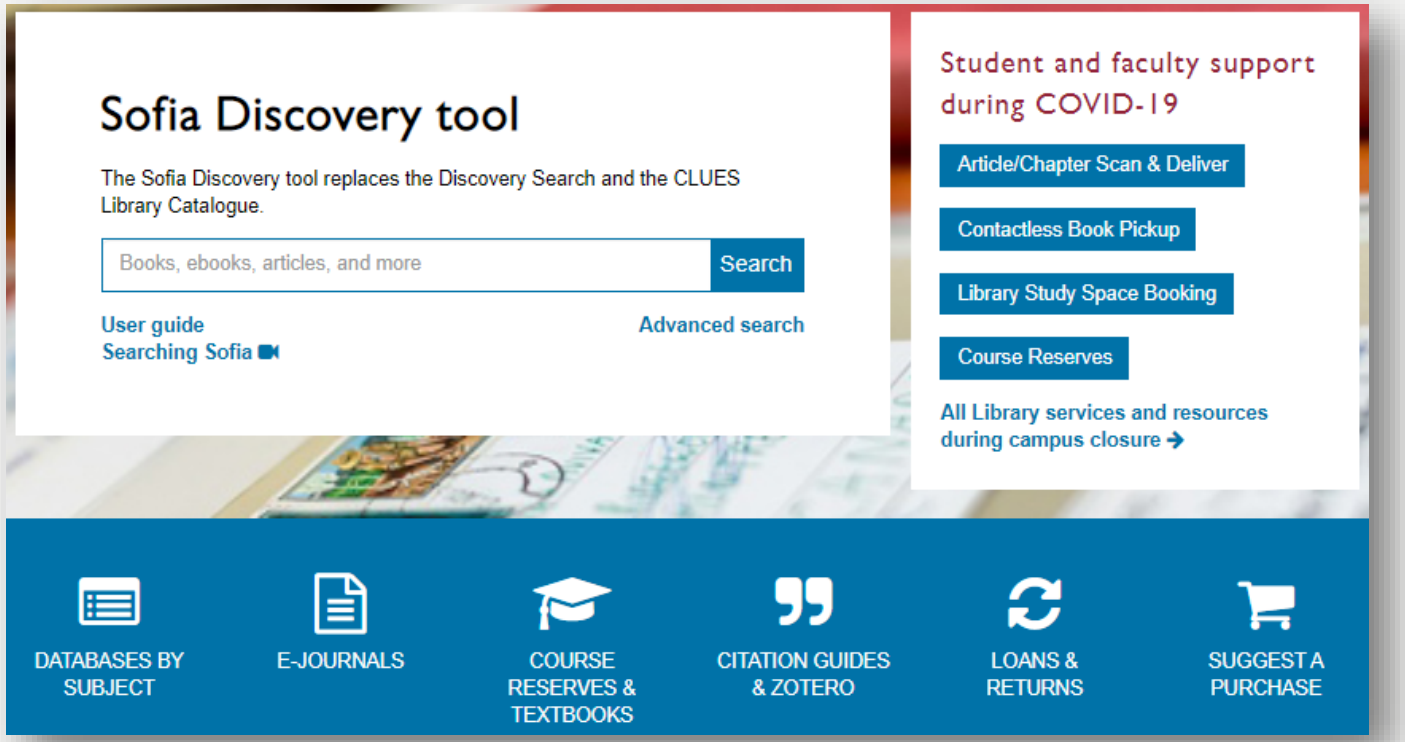
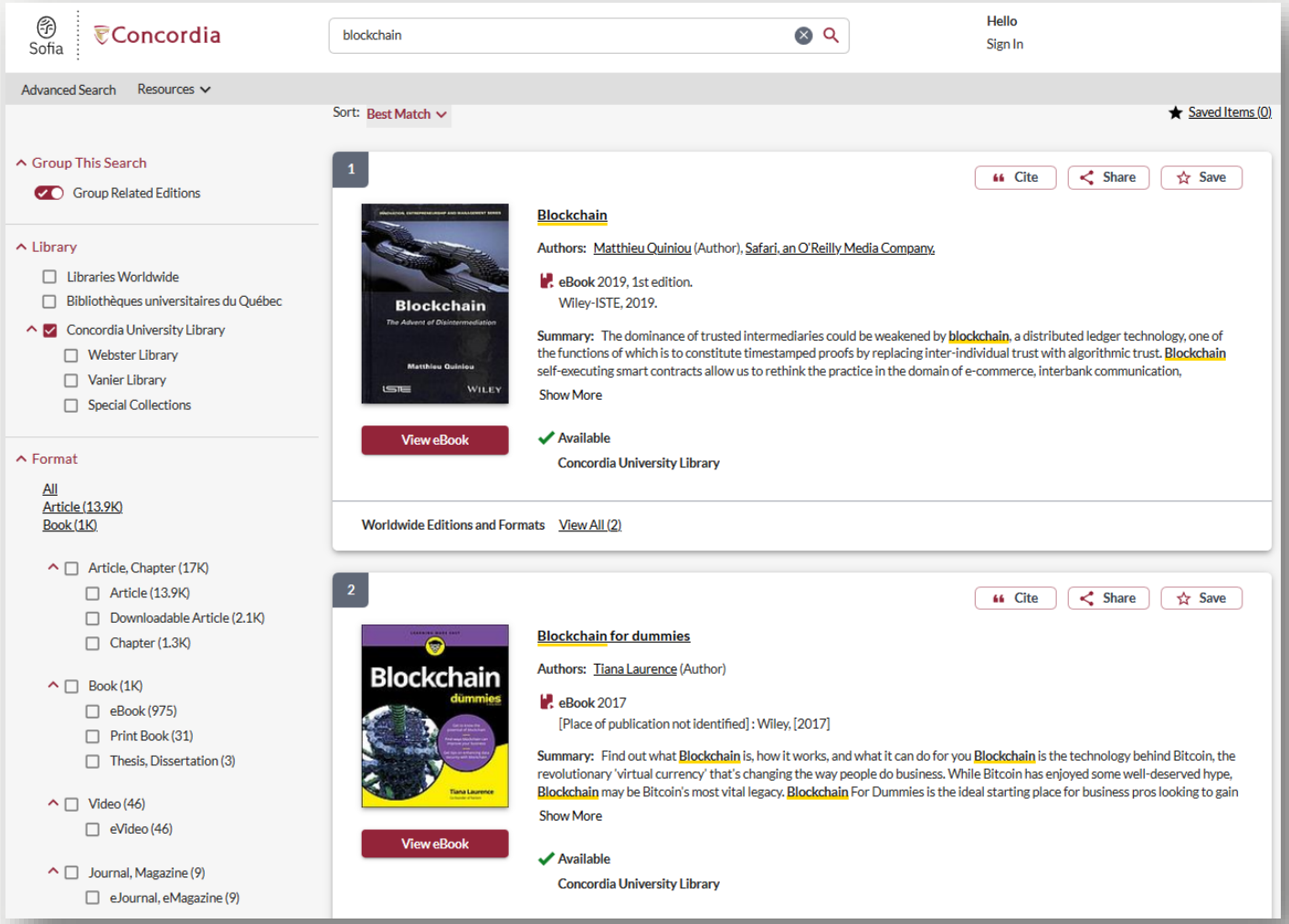
LIBRARY DISCOVERY TOOL

THE MAIN LIBRARY SEARCH TOOL



LIBRARY DISCOVERY TOOL

- Front and centre on the library homepage
- A good starting point for a general search across library resources
- Answer questions such as:
  - Does the library have this book?
  - Does the library have this journal article?
  - Does the library have some background/overview information on a topic?



LIBRARY DISCOVERY TOOL

- A search for a broad keyword such as *blockchain*
- Refine options include:
  - Format types (e.g. ebooks)
  - Publication years
- Shows results with Concordia full text access by default
  - Easily expand to other university libraries in Québec or Worldwide

LIBRARY DATABASES

OVER 400 OF THEM ORGANIZED BY DISCIPLINE

Engineering Village™

IEEE Xplore® Digital Library

Clarivate Web of Science™

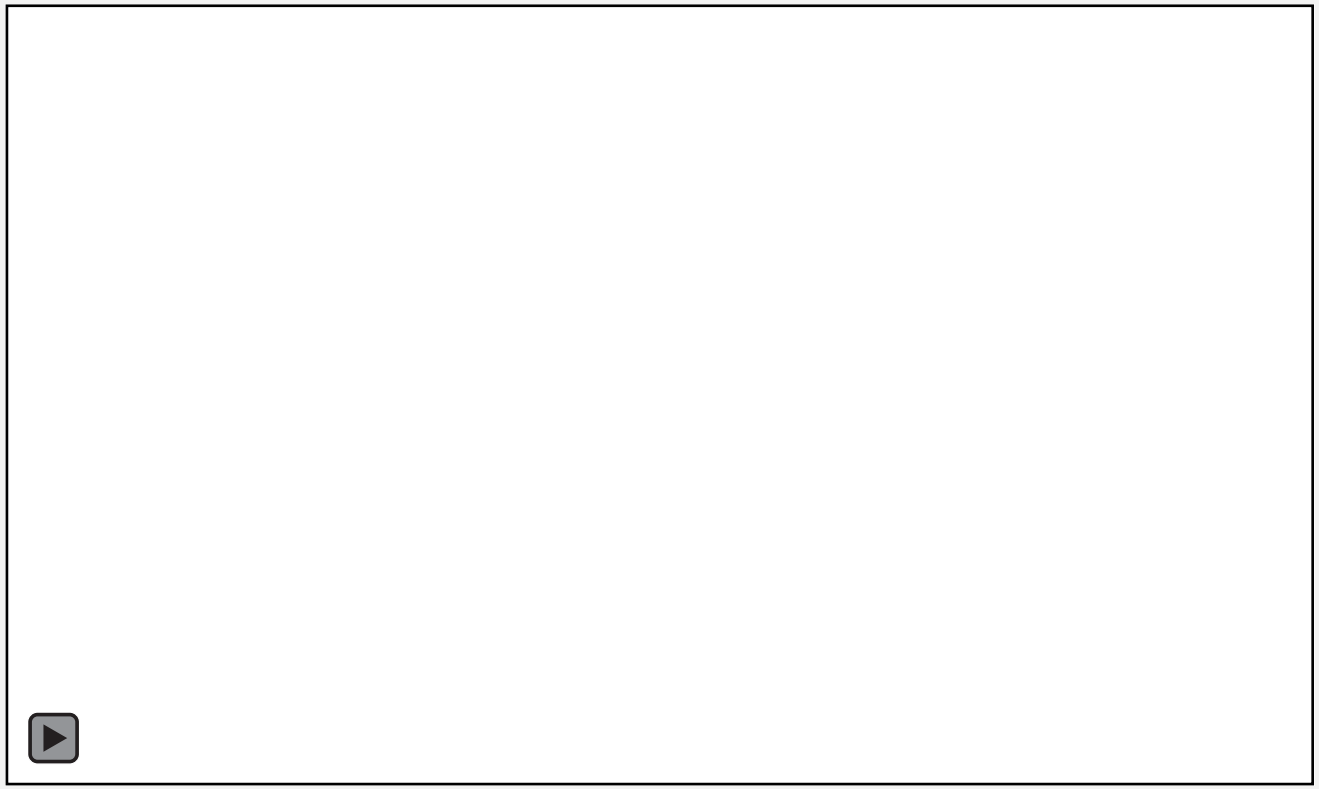
SciFinder^n® A CAS SOLUTION

ACM DL DIGITAL LIBRARY

Scopus®

LIBRARY DATABASES

- Content is usually more in-depth and specialized
- More options to search, expand, or refine
- Answer questions such as:
  - Where can I find journal articles on a specific aspect of a topic
  - How can I combine different elements/keywords in a search?



MY LIBRARY ACCOUNT

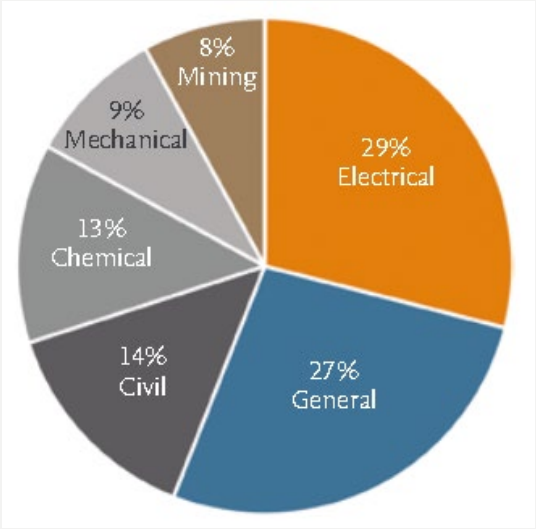
Remember to log into *My Library Account* to access all library e-resources. This is the same as your Concordia netname and password.

ENGINEERING VILLAGE

A CLOSER LOOK AT AN ENGINEERING DATABASE

WHAT CONTENT IS INCLUDED?

With a coverage of 1884 to the present, the three indexes **Compendex**, **Inspec**, and **GEOBASE** provide content in general engineering as well as more specialized engineering disciplines.



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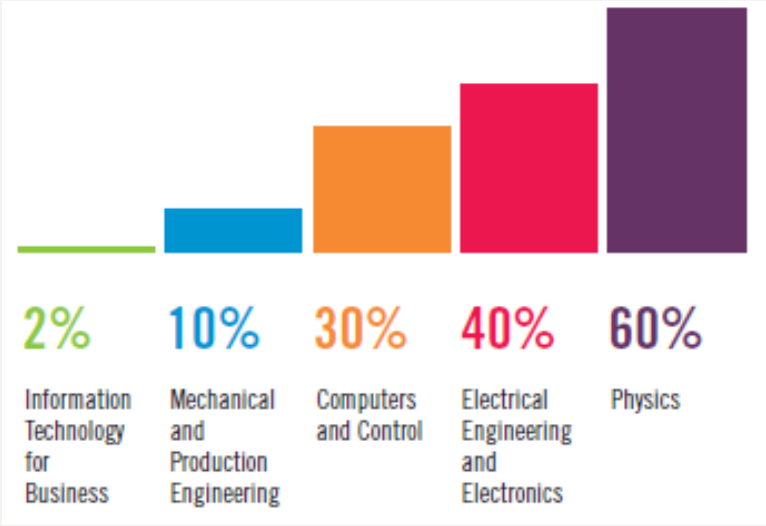
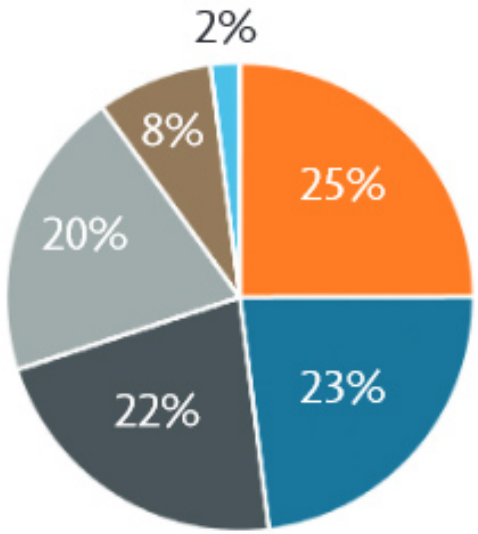


Inspec

- Human Geography – 25%
- Environmental Sciences – 23%
- Physical Geography – 22%
- Geology – 20%
- Oceanography – 8%
- Geomechanics – 2%



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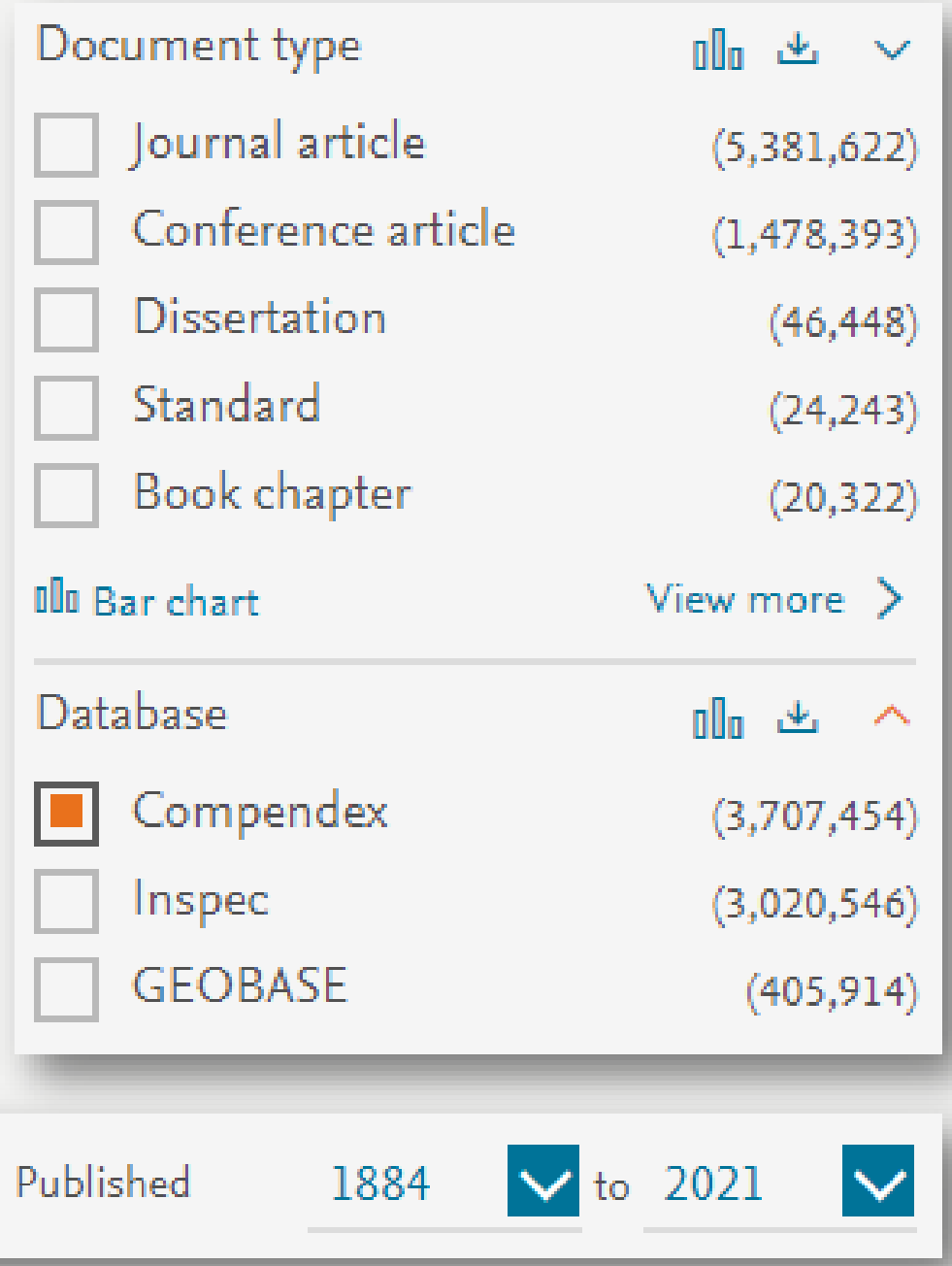


WHAT CONTENT IS INCLUDED?

"Publications must consist of peer-reviewed engineering content and have a publicly available description of the peer review process. Exceptions would be trade journals and some conference proceedings."

-Engineering Village Compendex Content Policy and Selection (A checklist of 13 criteria)

SEARCHING EFFECTIVELY

IN ACADEMIC DATABASES

SEARCHING EFFECTIVELY

- Break down a topic into key concepts
- Brainstorm synonyms
- Explore, revise, and refine
- Trace references

- Avoid long phrases or sentences
- Avoid noise words
- Is it too broad or too specific?
- Don’t give up after the first try

Topic

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

Key Concepts → Synonyms

Key Concepts	Synonyms
Electronic waste	E-waste
Recycling	Reuse, management
Guiyu	Guiyu, Guangdong, China

FROM A TOPIC TO KEY CONCEPTS

Think through your topic before searching.

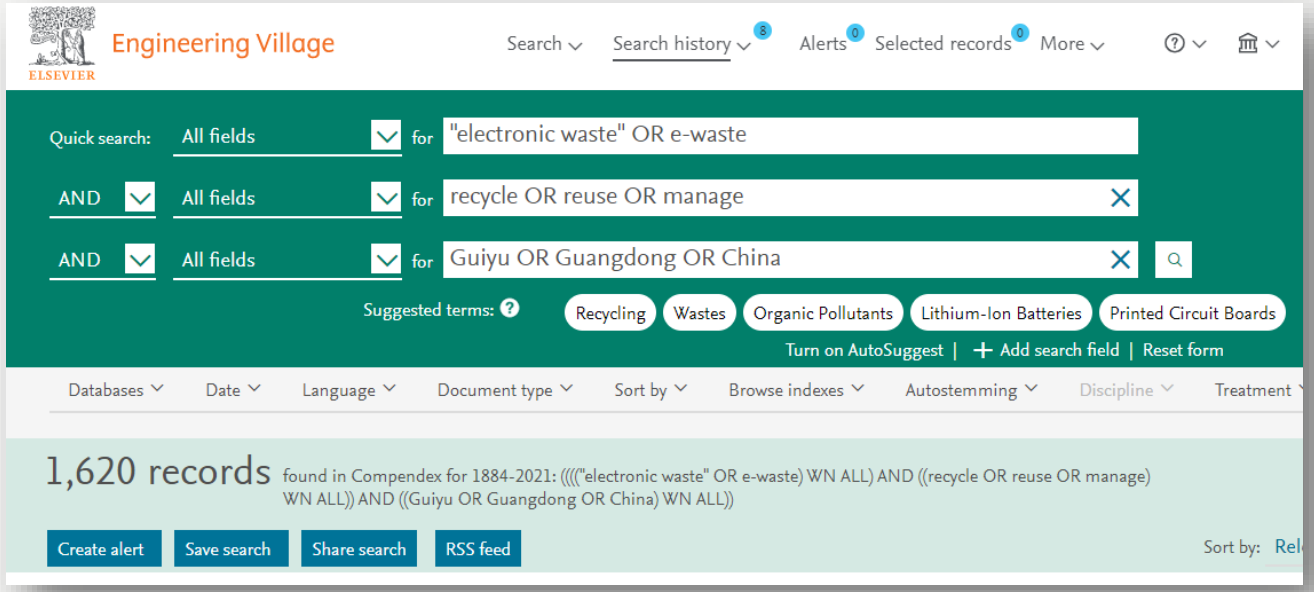
Breaking down a topic helps develop effective keywords.

Key Concepts

Electronic waste
Recycling
Guiyu

Synonyms

E-waste
Reuse, management
Guiyu, Guangdong, China



COMBINE THE KEY CONCEPTS

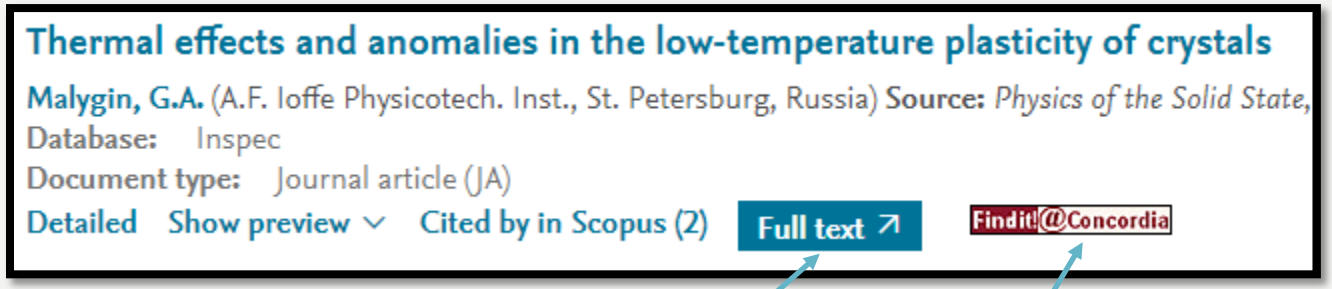
Search can be built up from a simple one to a complex one, allowing the combination of many keywords or concepts.

Sample Topic:

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

MORE EXAMPLES

Topic	Keywords
How does electronic waste recycling affect citizens living in Guiyu, China?	• Electronic waste OR e-waste • Recycling OR reuse OR management • Guiyu OR Guangdong Or China
How can nanotechnology make solar energy technology more efficient?	• Nanotechnology OR nanofluid • Solar energy OR solar power
Privacy issues in the use of vaccination QR code during Covid-19	• Privacy OR security Or protection • Vaccination OR vaccine OR healthcare • QR code OR mobile OR apps • Covid-19 OR coronavirus OR pandemic



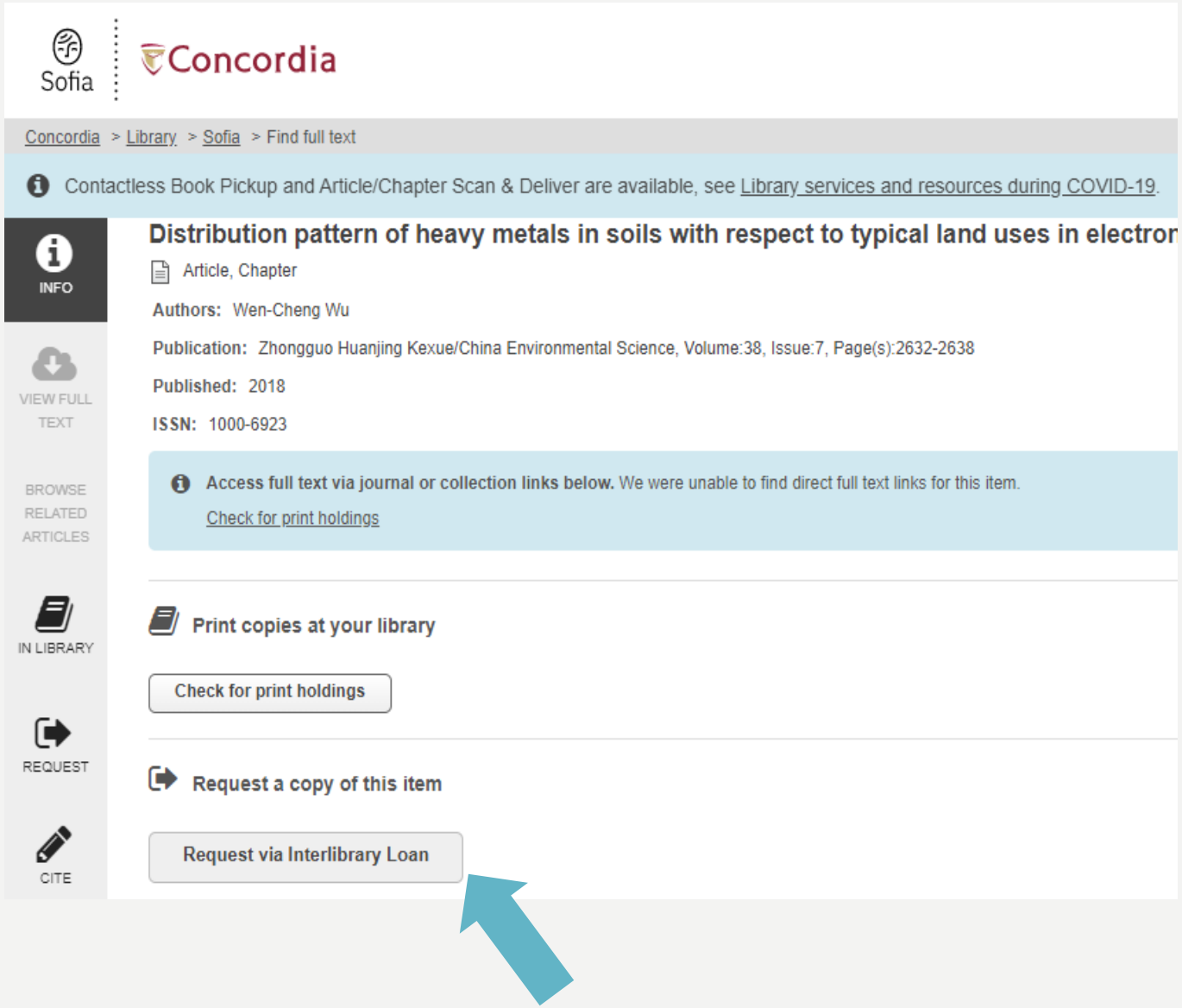
"Full text" button, if one exists

"Find it @ Concordia" button to check the library's other subscriptions. If not available, request it via **Interlibrary Loan**.

HOW TO ACCESS FULL TEXT?

Full text may be readily available. If not, the "Find it @ Concordia" button can help check for full text availability in the library.

INTERLIBRARY LOAN



- If Concordia Library doesn't have it, use Interlibrary Loan
- Takes a few days or longer to process depending on the item

LET'S TRY ONE TOGETHER!

Go to **www.menti.com** and use the code shown on the screen.

DOCUMENTING SOURCES

CITING IT RIGHT IN IEEE CITATION STYLE

SOME ADVICE

- Keep track from the beginning
- Doing it right conveys professionalism and quality
- Make use of a tool such as Zotero to help organize and save time
- Always double check citations and references that were automatically generated
- Consult a librarian if unsure

In this book about decision trees, the authors say all kinds of great things [1]. I cited them and now I would like to cite something I read in this journal [2].

References

[1] A. Pyrson and N. O'bodie, *The prescient programmer and decision trees*. Gatineau, Canada: Big Name Publishers, 2001.

[2] The second reference appears here because it was the second item cited in the text above.

IEEE CITATION STYLE

- Based on a numbering system
- In-text citations are numbers in square brackets
- Full citations are listed on the reference list at the end
- There are official abbreviations to be followed (e.g. journal title)

CHOOSING THE RIGHT CITATION TOOL

Online citation generator
✓ Quick and on the fly
✓ For a small number of references
✓ No account is required
× No storage
× No saving while browsing
× No integration with word processors
× Not many citation styles to choose

Built-in features in search platforms

(e.g. Sofia, Google Scholar)

CHOOSING THE RIGHT CITATION TOOL

Reference manager
✓ Web-based and also a downloaded software
✓ For small and big research projects
✓ A storage to save and organize all references
✓ A browser extension for saving while browsing
✓ PDF annotating and notetaking
✓ Integration with word processors (e.g. MS Word, Google Doc)
✓ Collaboration in group projects
! Basic set-up is required
! An account (freemium model) is required

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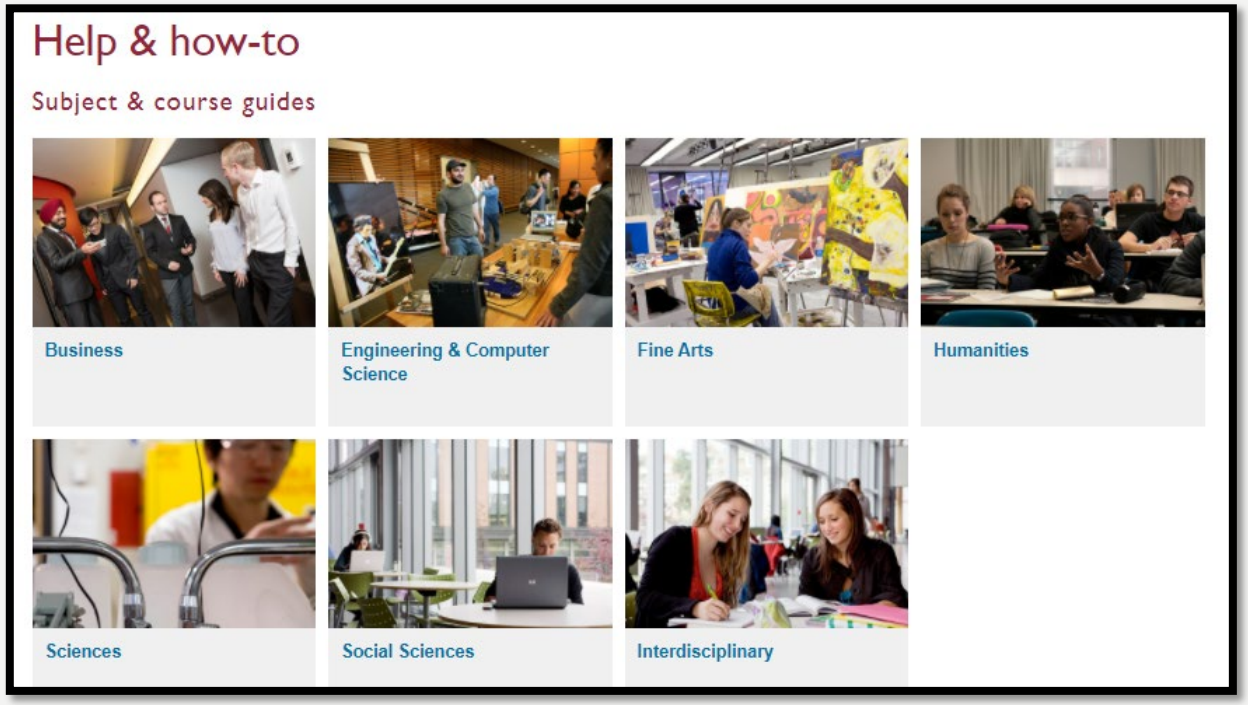
EndNote™

WHAT REFERENCE MANAGER DO YOU USE?

SHARE YOUR ANSWER IN THE CHAT BOX

ZOTERO

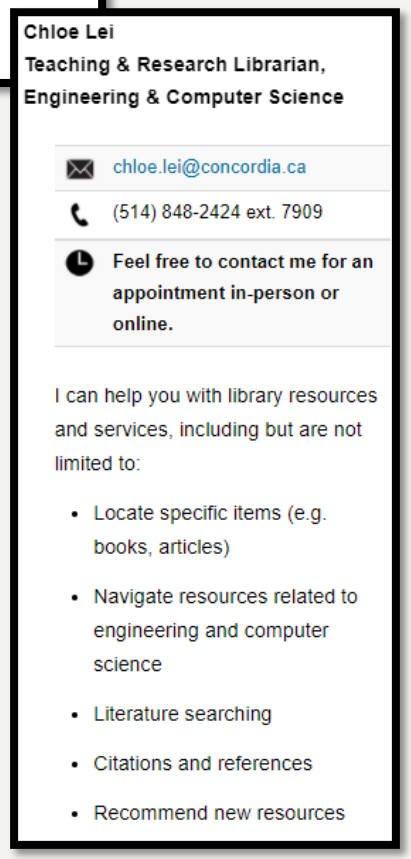
- Manage and organize sources in one place
- Save references/sources from the web browser
- Generate in-text citations and prepare the reference list automatically via a Word plugin



HELP & HOW-TO GUIDES

Subject guides are available for all schools, including one for Engineering and Computer Science.

General guides cover various topics from peer review articles to annotated bibliography.



ASK A LIBRARIAN

Contact the library in-person, by email, chat, or phone.

Contact your subject librarian (that's me!)

QUESTIONS?