Publication

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why publish?

- o an essential part of research
- must communicate results so that others will know what you have done
- o gives value to your work
 - or ... if you don't publish your work cannot have value

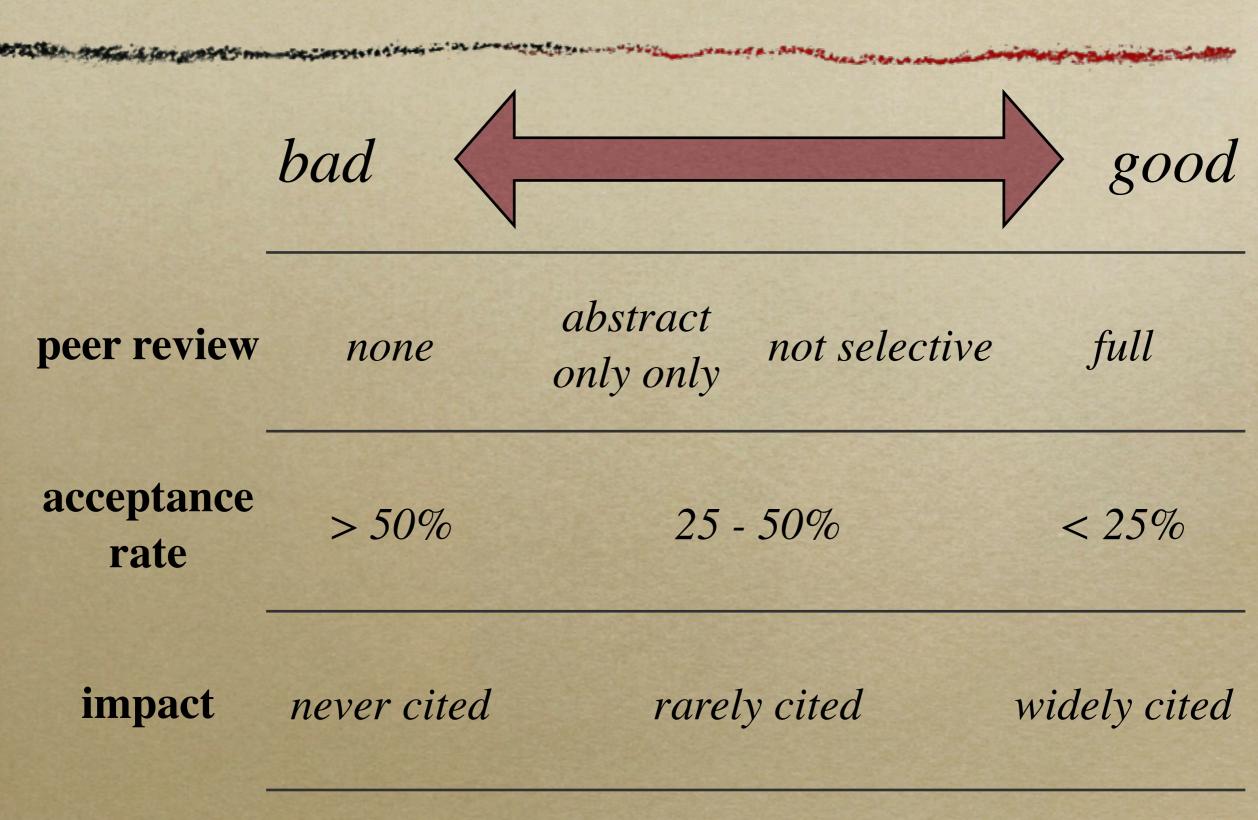
the currency of academia

- o "publish or perish"
- o the measure of an academic career
 - o recall "The Science Game"
 - expectations of publication counts at various points in career
 - o quality also matters

where to publish?

- o things to consider
 - peer review more review means better publication
 - acceptance rates lower rate means more exclusive
 - impact factors does anybody care enough about your work to cite it?

publication quality



technical reports

- o internal reports within institutions
 - in industry creates written record of your work for employer
 - o in academia instant publication

technical reports

- o pros
 - fast
- o cons
 - o no peer review
 - o 100% acceptance rate
 - o rarely cited

conference proceedings

- o also known as
 - workshops
 - o symposium
- o difference is size of meeting
- conference may have associated workshops

conference proceedings

- o written part
 - o abstract-only, or
 - full paper
- presentation
 - o oral, or
 - o poster

- higher value for
 - plenary
 - keynote
 - o invited

conference proceedings

- o major venue for computer science
- vary in quality
 - o variable peer review
 - variable acceptance rates
 - variable impact factor

!!! beware !!!

- o conferences generate revenue for sponsoring organization
 - o true for ALL conferences
 - IEEE/ACM generally reputable, but
 - o no guarantee
 - o commercial conference companies, e.g., IASTED
 - exotic local
 - high-acceptance rate
 - generally poor quality
 - rule of thumb
 - avoid Las Vegas and Orlando

journals

- o were once main venue for publication
- o for most complete work
- o almost always peer review
- o slow
- archival but so are a lot of conference proceedings

journals

- o "The Science Game"
 - o conferences vary in quality
 - o there is a sort of currency
 - o e.g. 1 Nature = 3 PAMI

other venues

- book chapters
 - occasionally from conference proceedings
 - sometimes by invitation no peer review, but invitation is prestigious

other venues

- visiting speakers
- invited talks
- o web
- o you tube

- books
 - o not peer review
 - great accomplishment
- o patent

impact

- will anybody read your paper after it is published?
- o determine this by citations
 - somebody read it and thought it was worth mentioning
 - citation = interest = impact
- o self-citation does not count

impact factors

number of times a
 paper in a journal is
 cited over a fixed time
 interval

Title20	Title	ISSN	Impact
AAPG BULL	AAPG BULLETIN	0149-1423	1.173
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- self-plagiarism =
 publishing your own
 work in more than one
 venue
- accepted to some extent
 - especially when original is not archival

- less acceptable as
 conferences become
 main venue for
 interchange
- editors/publishers
 starting to use
 plagiarism detection
 software

how to get started?

- o do assignment 1
- ask your supervisor
- find papers in your
 area
- check citations in papers in your area
- check impact factors