



The ACM Digital Library Roadmap

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The ACM Digital Library: Vision, Goals and Strategy



- DL Vision Statement:

“A community engaged with a repository of resources to support computing research and practice.”

- High-Level Goals:

- Expand the content
- Further personalize and enhance the user experience

- Product Strategy:

- Leverage the landscape
- Focus development effort on unique innovation

ACM Digital Library: The Vision

“A community engaged with a repository of resources to support computing research and practice.”

- Community is key concept
- Upstream/Downstream engagement
- Repository vs. Archive
- Engagement through content and functionality



ACM Digital Library: High-Level Goals



- Expand The Content:
 - Broaden coverage of high-quality output in computing and related interdisciplinary spaces.
 - Go beyond “published literature” to include pre-print, grey literature, software, data, videos, events, etc.
- Personalize & Enhance User Experience:
 - Develop “topic” based ontology to complement the ACM Computing Classification System
 - Enhance recommendation systems
 - “Upstream” integration: engage at collaboration, pre-publishing and content creation stage
 - “Downstream” integration: engage at discussion, recommendation and promotion stage



ACM Digital Library: Product Strategy

- Leverage the Landscape:
 - Use as few “wheels” as possible; invent as few “wheels” as possible
 - Integrate and aggregate where possible
 - Adopt industry-standard services
- Focus development on unique innovation.

ACM Digital Library: The Roadmap

- The Roadmap: a high-level set of enhancements to define the direction of the DL in the short, medium and long-term.
- Major Areas:
 - Core Functionality
 - Content Expansion
 - Content Organization & Exposure
 - Personalization
 - Analytics



The Roadmap: Core Functionality

- UX/UI: revamp current interface to improve user experience
- Article Formats: beyond PDF; enhanced interactivity
- Search Capability: Improve to include results beyond articles
- Authentication: expand existing methods
- Annotation & Discussion: private and shared, across all content



The Roadmap: Content Expansion



- Software & Data: expand ability to store, serve and integrate software and datasets
- Pre-Print: build a pre-print service across all of computing
- Other Publication Sources: identify and incorporate new publications
- Open Sources: integrate other resources and content types, such as patents, talks, grants, awards, etc.



The Roadmap: Content Organization & Exposure



- Conference-centric View: represent the event and not only the publication artifact
- Video Interface: better represent video content
- Author Pages: expand discoverability and capabilities
- Curated Collections: automated and manually maintained



The Roadmap: Personalization



- Topics:
 - define high-level ontology
 - build automatic topic modeling
- Recommendation: People, Events, Articles, Videos, Software, Data, Discussions, etc.
- Personalization: personal profiles based on past user interactions



The Roadmap: Analytics

- Expand analytics to evaluate and engage with:
 - content
 - people
 - institutions
 - events
- Incorporate new analytics tools



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