

ACCESS: Who gets what access, when and how?

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The IMU Executive and the CEIC strongly endorse this initiative and stand ready to assist

to the degree that IMU/CEIC actions would be welcomed
 and can be afforded

For example a brief best practice document on Digitization covering minimum standards for topics like

- resolution, alignment, color standards,
- compression, OCR, metadata
- registration

> We see urgency

- the window is closing rapidly
- arguments over details must be settled or deferred





Importance of access to legacy scholarly mathematical literature: our patrimony

- convincing other disciplines via case studies?
- need sound Information Retrieval tools (IR)
 meshing rich Metadata with Google expectations
 - plus federated search/content dictionaries
 - use our CS/IT colleagues
 - 7 IR specialists at Dalhousie/4 at Waterloo, etc
- for engineers and economists not only area experts

 ✓ reproductive or algebraic K theory?







Strengthens current journal publishing system through enhancement (value added to current/future journal runs)

- Coherent reference linking
- Cross discipline linking
- Application linking
- Object level meta-data
- Compatibility not uniformity

- adding value to the publishing cycle whether or not a direct purchase is made





Compatibility with current and emerging forms of mathematical publishing

- Mathematical OCR
 - launching from/to applications

 Excel, NIST, Maple, SketchPad,
 Dictionaries …

Zeroes of 0-1 polynomials (15%)

- Graphics
 - ((3)(6))00 dpi is valuable?
 - images
 - old manuscripts

Good electronic design is fairly robust
 Organic Math (1994)







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Universal Access Principle. Material beyond the "moving wall" should be freely available to all

- important for the individual
- important for development of science
- important for publishers
 - otherwise there will be fewer links to material behind the moving wall
 - part of a "contract" with the mathematical community, which referees papers and populates editorial boards
- access costs
 - easier to solve on institutional than individual basis



Open Access (author pays) Model is ill suited to mathematics

- puts mathematical publishing at the mercy of university administrators and wealthier disciplines
- might gradate mathematicians according to their ability to pay more or less expensive publication charges





Development aspects in light of limited (library) infrastructure in the developing world (DCSG)

 Internet has removed major obstacles to scientific research in the developing world - especially true in mathematics (WDML)

It is in long-term interest of publishers to promote research in developing countries

- mechanisms are not obvious ("countries" are not internally homogeneous)
- free or low-cost access to current material for the poorest countries. INASP ICTP Document delivery service
- moving wall should be eliminated or varied for developing countries
- IMU Developing Countries Strategy Group should interact with WDML







Touch sensitive interactive DDRIVE

> Immersive Polyhedra

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The Future ...

and the 3D GEOWALL

