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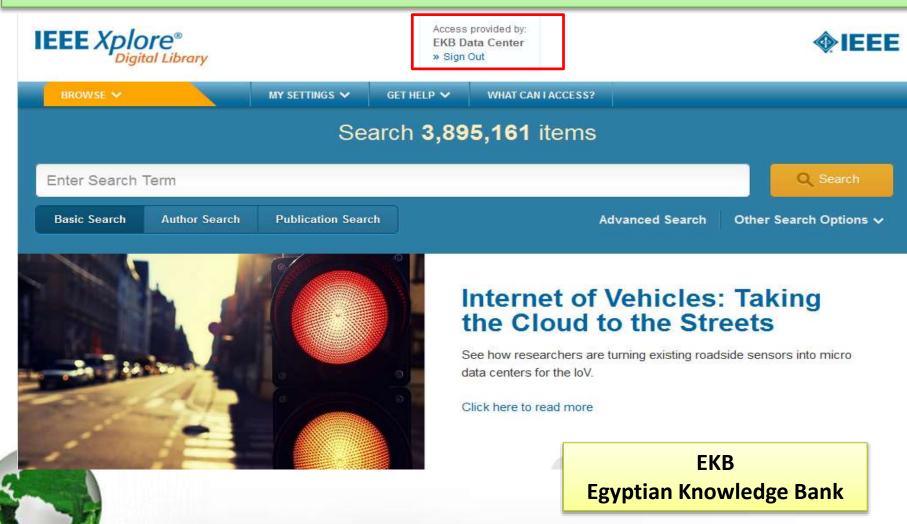


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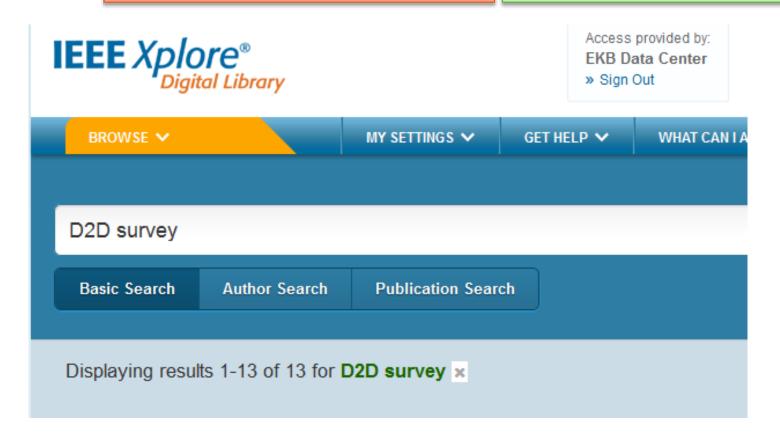
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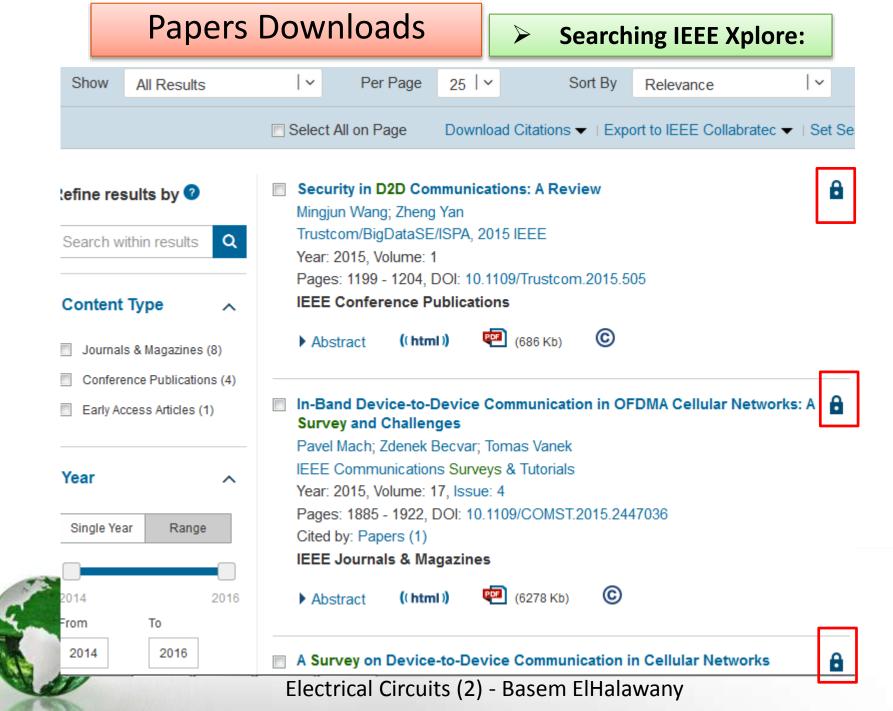




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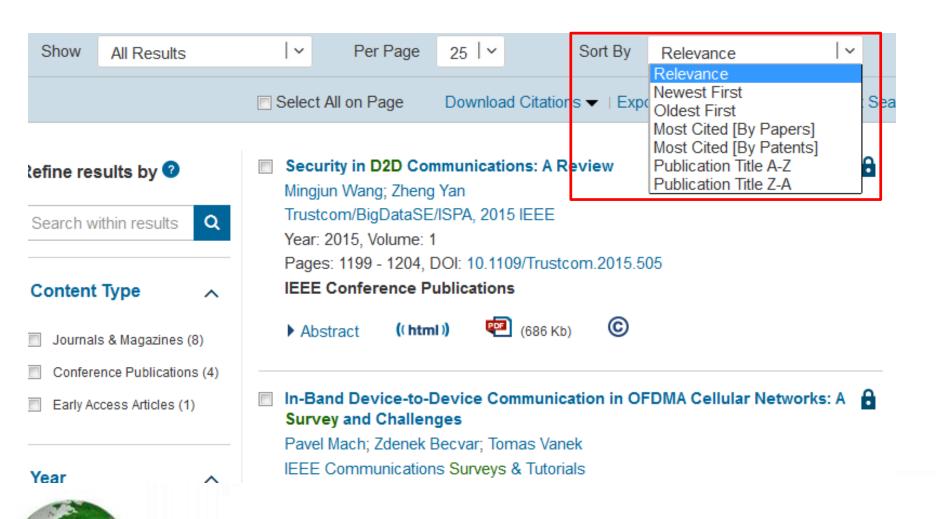








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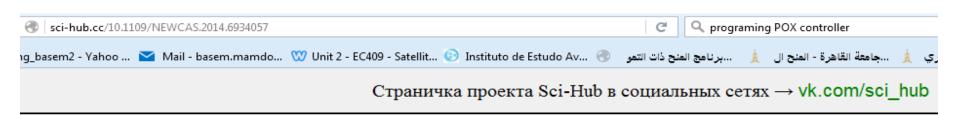
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Survey on Device-to-Device Communications: Challenges and Design Issues

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L. INTRODUCTION

DEVICE-TO-DEVICE (D2D) communications were introduced many years ago in the context of wired communication networks. Recently, there are around five billion devices connected to the cellular network. This raised the need for high capacity and energy efficient mobile networks, Hence, D2D communications one of the proposed paradigms in the next generation cellular network. D2D communications is about enabling the direct flow of data between devices. In contrast to Human-to-Human (H2H) communications, D2D communications do not require human interaction. Instead, devices initiate the request for communication with near devices. The cellular network is optimized for traffic characteristics which are different from the characteristics of data traffic between devices. The length of the session, data rate, and communication patterns are the main differences between H2H and D2D communications. The transmission over D2D is a small burst transmission one-way data traffic.

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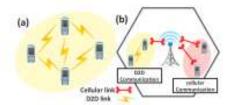


Fig. 1. D2D communications: (a) without infrastructure (Stand-Alone D2D) (b) with infrastructure (Network-Assisted D2D).

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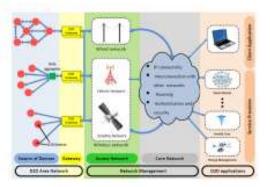


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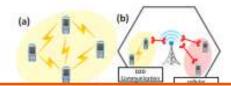
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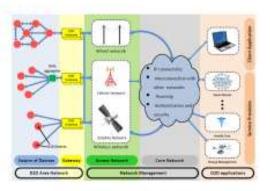


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