Tips & tricks

LibrarySearch is the new literature search engine of the TU/e. It contains bibliographic information of full-text and printed items in the TU/e collection and other library collections.

While searching in LibrarySearch, you can improve your search results:

- Use **Boolean operators**: AND, OR and NOT.
  Always spell Boolean terms in capitals to distinguish from search terms.
  To determine the order in which the Boolean operators are used, use **parentheses**.
  Example: *(program OR application) AND (measure OR calculate)*
- Use **Quotation marks** to find an exact phrase.
  Example: *"air quality"*
- Use **Truncation** (*) or **Wildcards** (? or #).
  Example: *process** to find process, processes, processed, etc.
  Example: *wom#n* or *wom?n* finds both women and woman
- Select a specific **index** by using a **prefix**.
  Example: *ti: air quality* searches for titles with the words air and quality.
  Example: *au:smith ti:blend** searches for authors Smith and titles with Blend.
  With prefix *ti=* you find titles beginning with the search word
  Example: *ti=nature*
- Use the **filters** in the left menu: e.g. Year, Topic, Language, Format
- Change the **Sort order**
- Use **Advanced search**

Other tips:

- **Log in** with your NT account or the number of your library card
- **Click on a title** to find details like availability and to place a hold, stackroom request or ILL request