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Lecture 7: Bibliographies and Referencing (2)

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Bibliography styles

- We will cover some of the standard bibliographic styles
- For your essay, the most important thing is that you use one consistently

Styles: Ordinal Number

- Sources listed in the bibliography are sorted according to some ordering, typically based on the authors' names, and numbered consecutively
- References in the text are given as (lists of) numbers cross-referencing the bibliography, enclosed in square brackets

Example:
Key techniques for utilising temporal logic specifications have been investigated, including verification via proof [3] and verification via model-checking [1,2].

Bibliography

1. E. Clarke, O. Grumberg, and D. A. Peled. *Model Checking*. MIT Press, 2000.
2. K. L. McMillan. *Symbolic Model Checking*. Kluwer, 1993.
3. M. Vardi and P. Wolper. Reasoning about infinite computations. *Inform. and Computat.*, 115:1–37, 1994.

Styles: Author-Date (1)

- Sources in the reference list are arranged alphabetically by the authors' names;

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- Sources in the reference list are arranged alphabetically by the authors' names;
  where there is more than one work by the same authors, they are arranged by year of publication, starting with the earliest;
  where there is more than one work with the same authors and date, a letter is added to the year of publication to distinguish them

Example:

Bibliography

P. Wolper (1996a). Where is the Algorithmic Support? *ACM Comput. Surv.* 28(4): 58.
P. Wolper (1996b). The Meaning of "Formal". *ACM Comput. Surv.* 28(4): 127.

Styles: Author-Date (2)

- A reference is given by the authors' names and the date enclosed in parentheses unless the authors' names are part of the sentence

Example of quoting:

The following is an extract from (Wolper 1996a):

> *Consider, for instance, the issue of compositionality in proof systems for concurrency. I am not going to argue that compositionality is undesirable, but that achieving it without algorithmic support (in a broad sense) is easy and mostly useless.*

Example of citing:

While Wolper (1996a) does not argue that compositionality in proof systems for concurrency is undesirable, he claims that achieving it without algorithmic support is mostly useless.

Styles: Author-Date (2)

- A reference is given by the authors' names and the date enclosed in parentheses unless the authors' names are part of the sentence

Examples:

Recent work (Wolper 1996a, 1996b) stresses the importance of algorithmic support for formal methods.

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Styles: Abbreviation (1)

- Mix of ordinal number style and author-date style
- Sources in the bibliography are presented like in ordinal number style, but instead of numbering them, each source is given a unique identifier based on authors' names and year of publication, with additional letters to disambiguate duplicate abbreviations

Example:

Bibliography

[CGP00] E. Clarke, O. Grumberg, and D. A. Peled. *Model Checking*. MIT Press, 2000.

[vdG94] R. A. van der Goot. *Strategies for modal resolution*. Master's thesis, Delft University of Technology, The Netherlands, 1994.

[Wol96a] P. Wolper. Where is the Algorithmic Support? *ACM Comput. Surv.* 28(4):58, 1996.

[Wol96b] P. Wolper. The Meaning of "Formal". *ACM Comput. Surv.* 28(4):127, 1996.

Styles: Abbreviation (2)

- References in the text are given as (lists of) abbreviations cross-referencing the bibliography, again enclosed in square brackets

Examples:

Key techniques for utilising temporal logic specifications have been investigated, including verification via proof [VW94] and verification via model-checking [CGP00,McM93].

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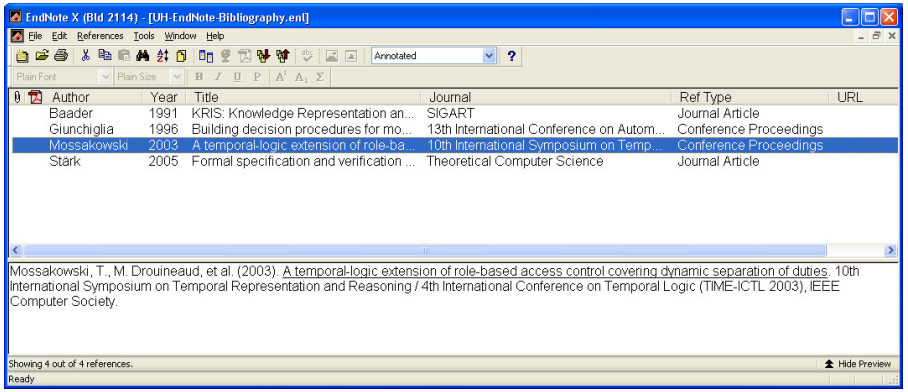
Organising References

- There are myriads of styles for references and bibliographies
- You should maintain information on your sources in a 'neutral' format
- Ideally, you should use a tool which
  - supports such a 'neutral' format
  - allows to add, delete, modify references
  - allows to search for references
  - interacts with your word processor/text editor
  - generates a list of references in any desired format

Organising References: EndNote

EndNote is a reference manager available for Microsoft Windows and Mac OS X which interfaces with Microsoft Word



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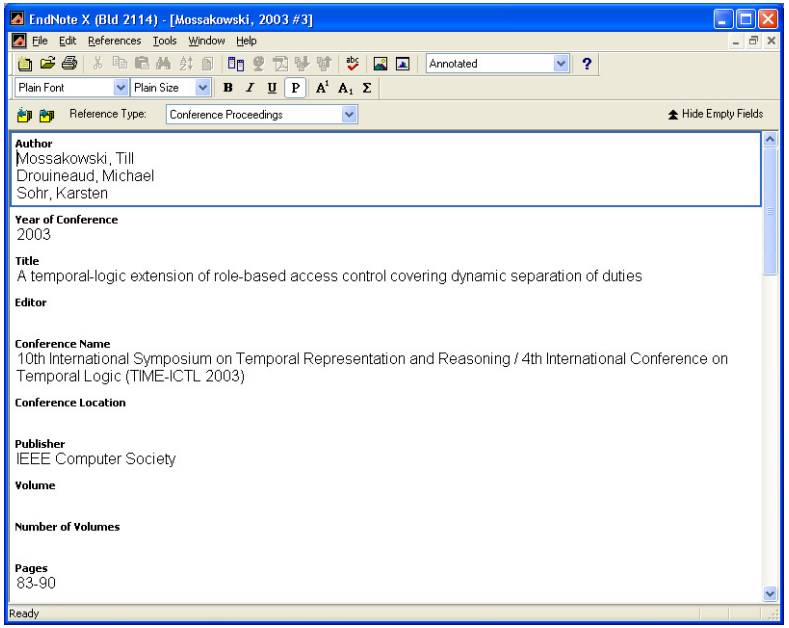

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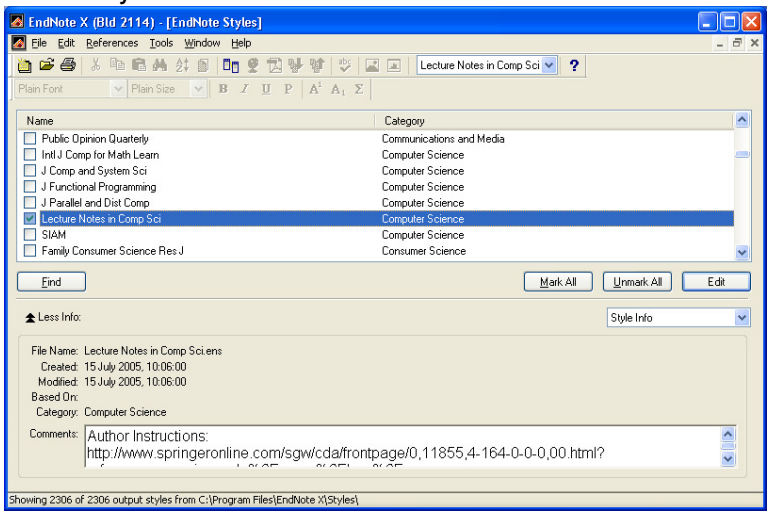

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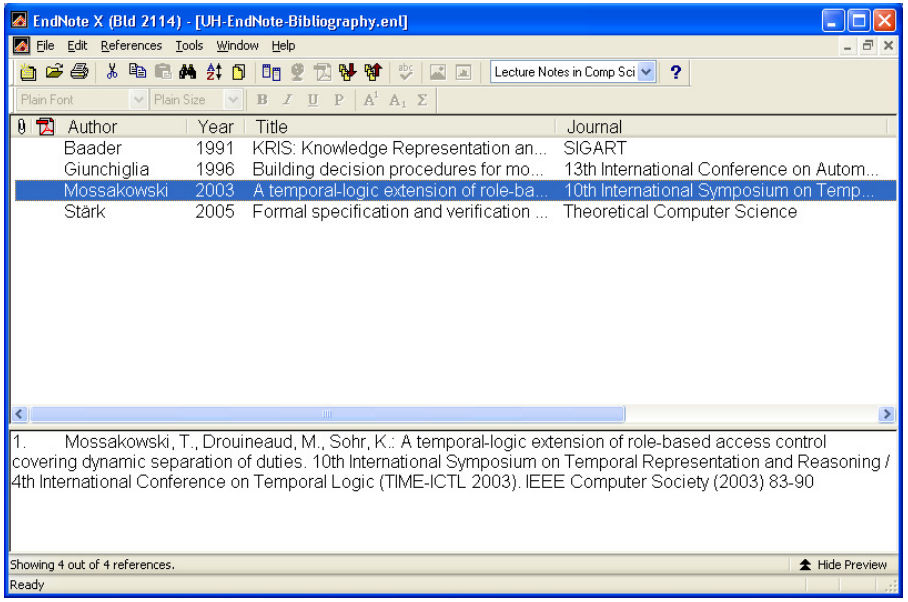

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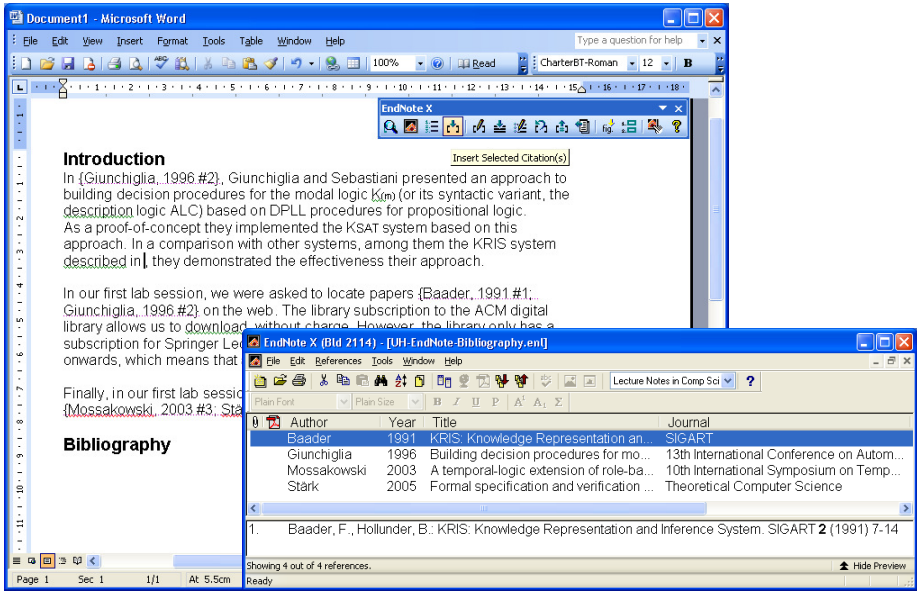

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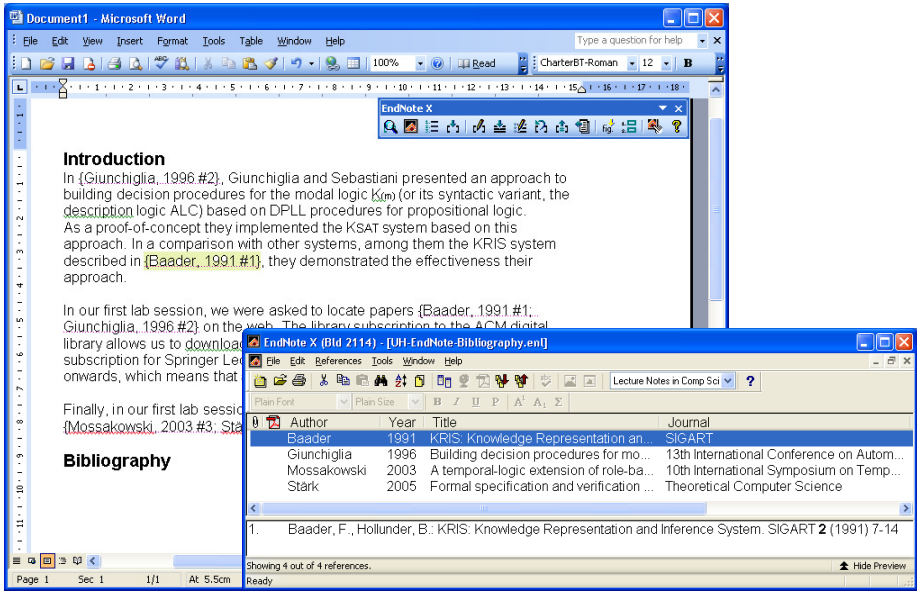

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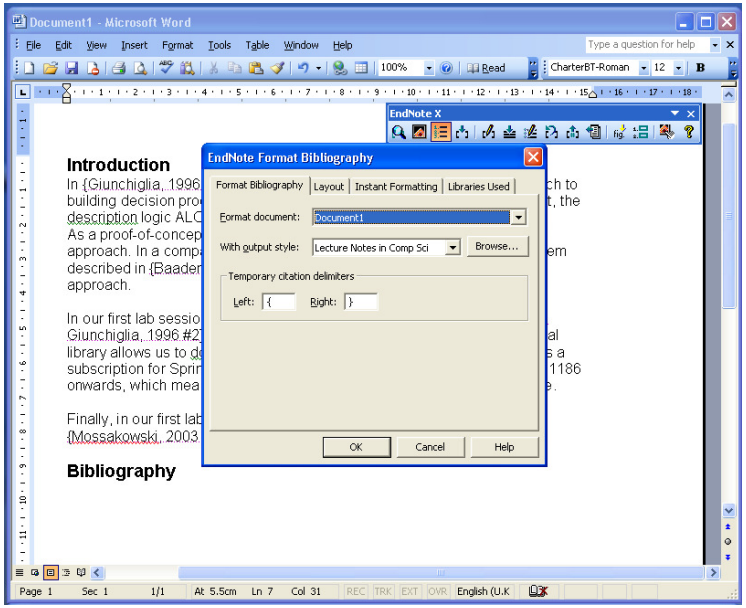

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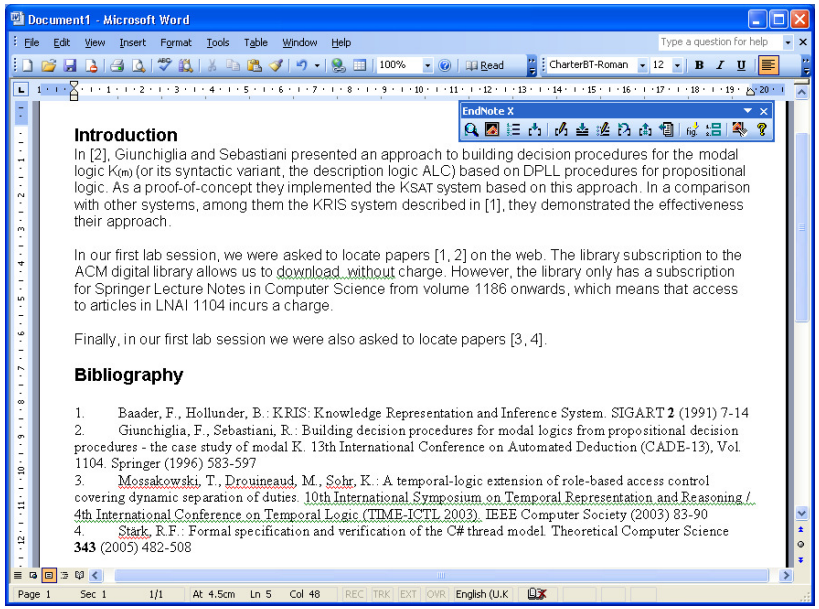

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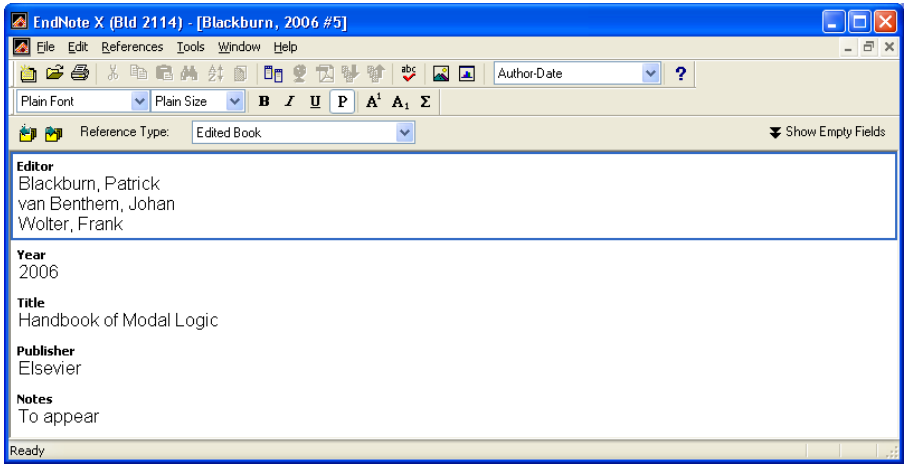

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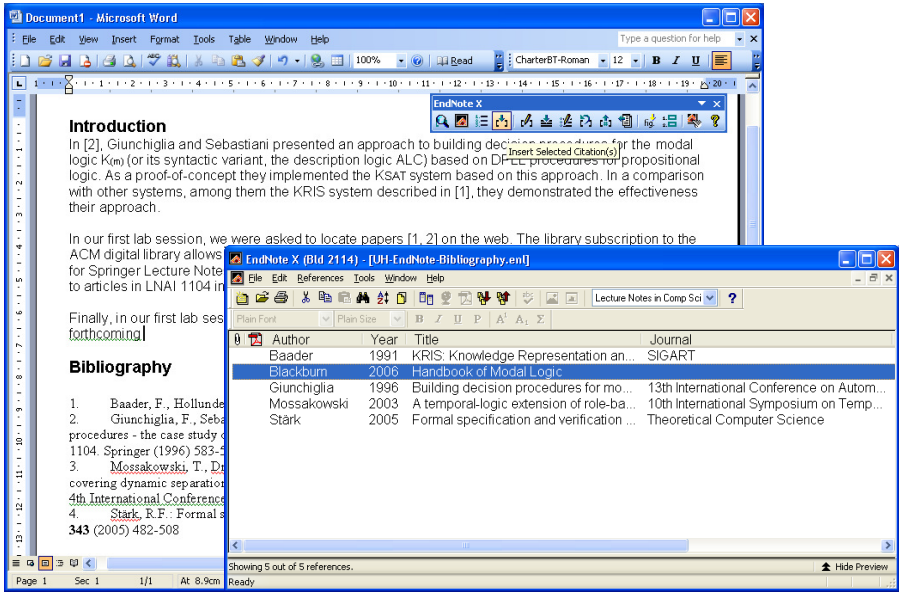

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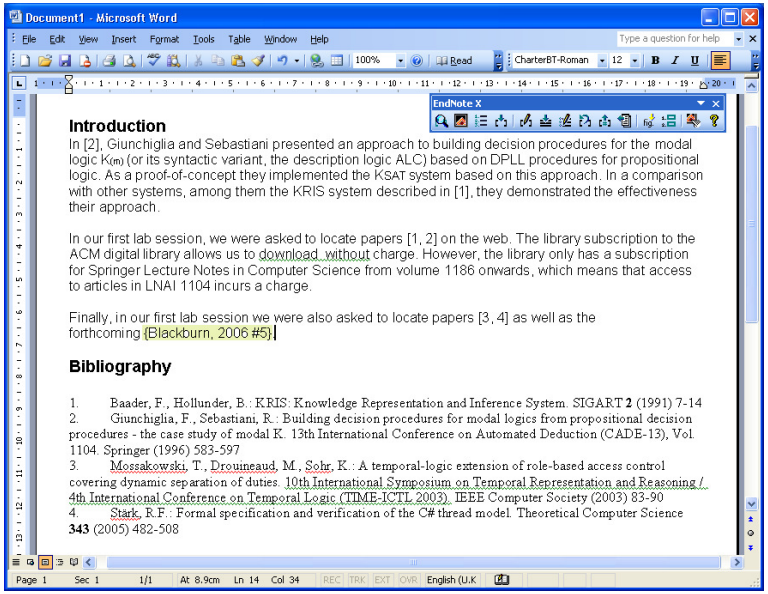

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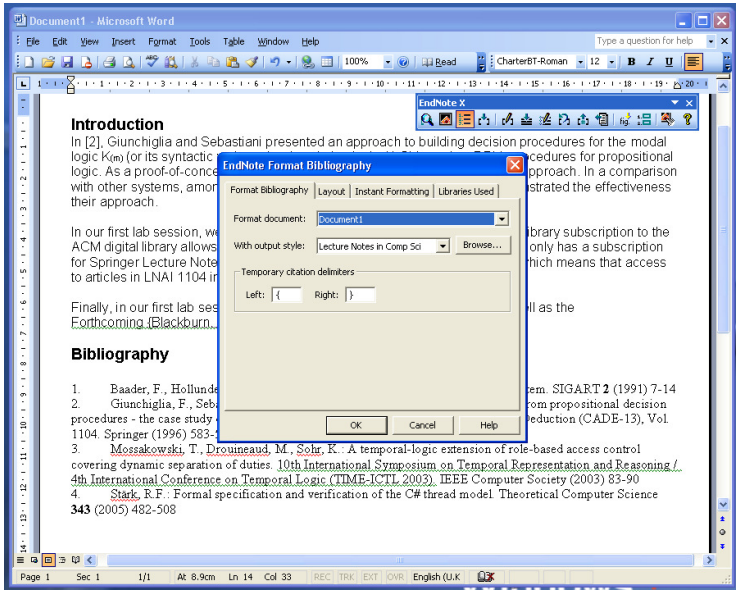

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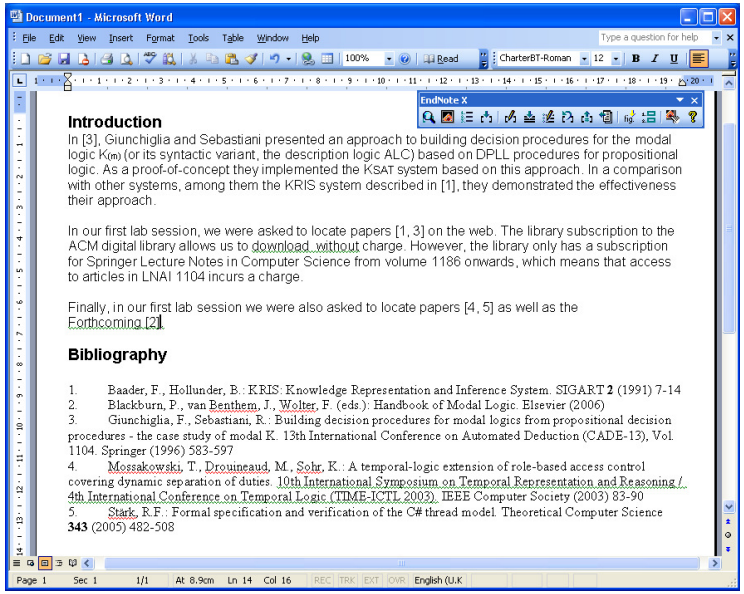

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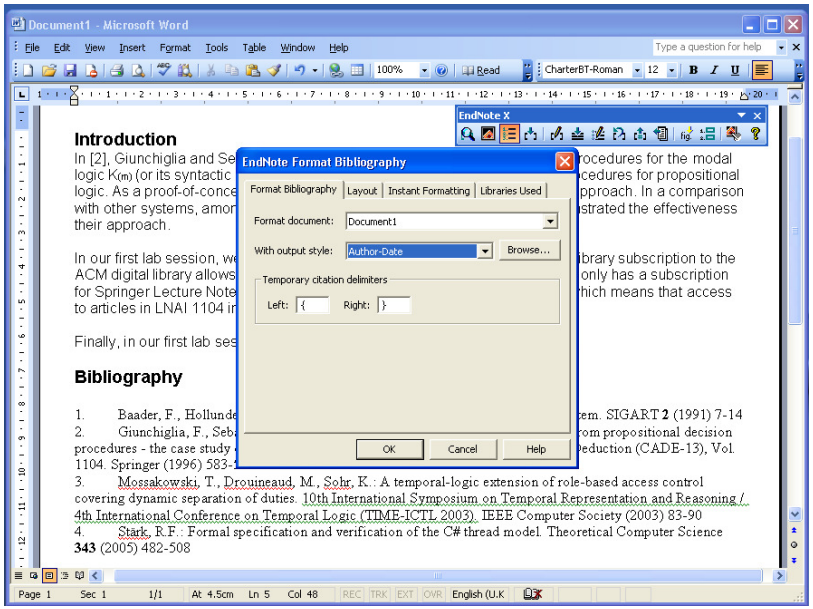

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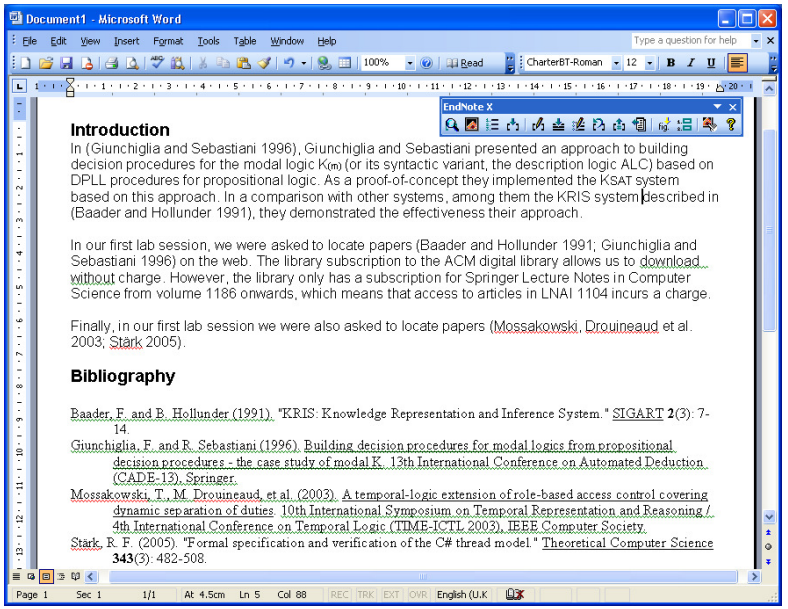

The Alternatives

- RefWorks
- Mendeley
- Zotero
- Delicious
- CiteULike

Conclusion

- Tools like EndNote, RefWorks, Citeulike, Mendeley and Zotero (which is free) help you maintain a large set of bibliographic references
- They ease the burden of referencing and generating lists of references according to a specific style
- If no specific style is requested, then a providing all the necessary information about each of your sources in a consistent way is the most important aspect of a bibliography
- Beware that the way you formulate sentences which include references depends on the referencing style; changing that style later on is time-consuming and error-prone