A major focus for the DLOC this past year has been discussion of the integration of the CS Digital Library (CSDL) and IEEE Xplore. One of the issues that has arisen concerns a web visitor’s inability to find IEEE computing standards via the CS home page and/or the CSDL. Staff has explained that they have wanted to include CS standards in the CSDL, but that IEEE sales and marketing have resisted because they (the SA) own the IP – the CS does not.

The CSDL accounts for approximately 80% of all CS website traffic. That percentage could mean a great deal wider visibility for CS standards than we currently have.

CS content currently accounts for about 1/3 of Xplore’s nearly 50 million views per month. Interestingly enough, it is possible to find a lot of information about CS standards via Xplore searches.

Wouldn’t it make sense to make CS standards findable via the CS website? Would it make sense to explore ways of enabling CS standards to be at least findable in CSDL searches? Should we look for mutually beneficial ways to include CS standards in CSDL subscriptions?