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Reuse content in my thesis

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Learning objectives

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- Understand the particularities of reusing different types of content.
- Know how to request permission to reuse copyrighted content in a thesis.

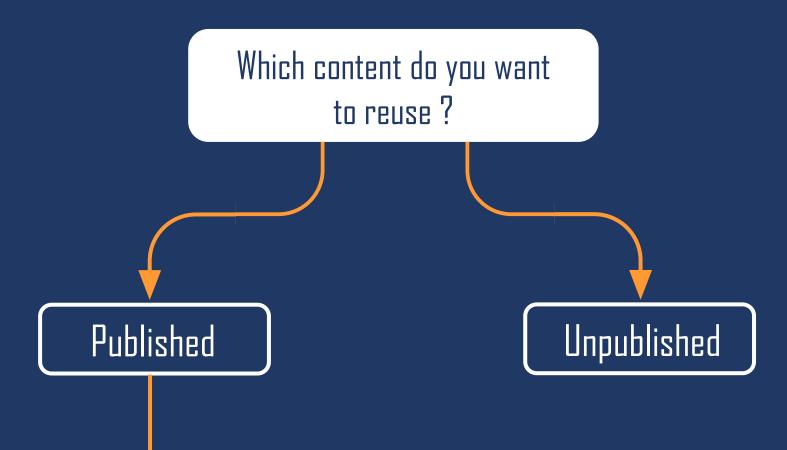
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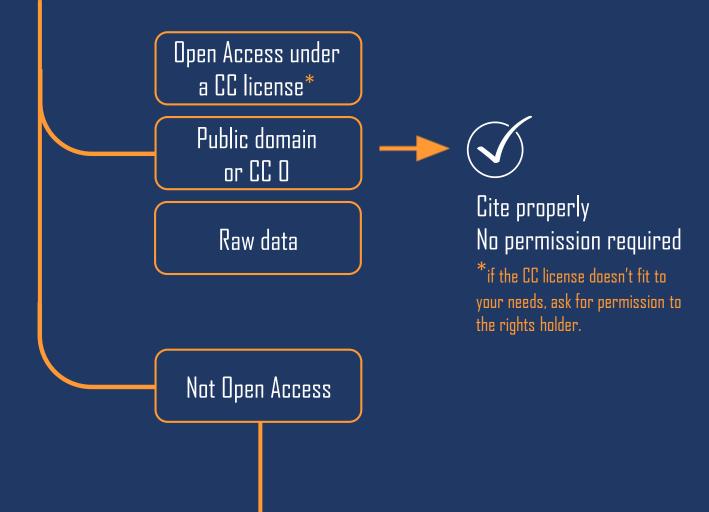
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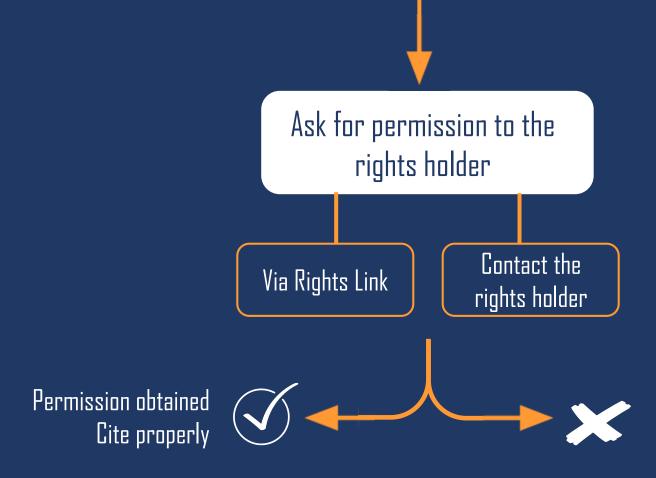
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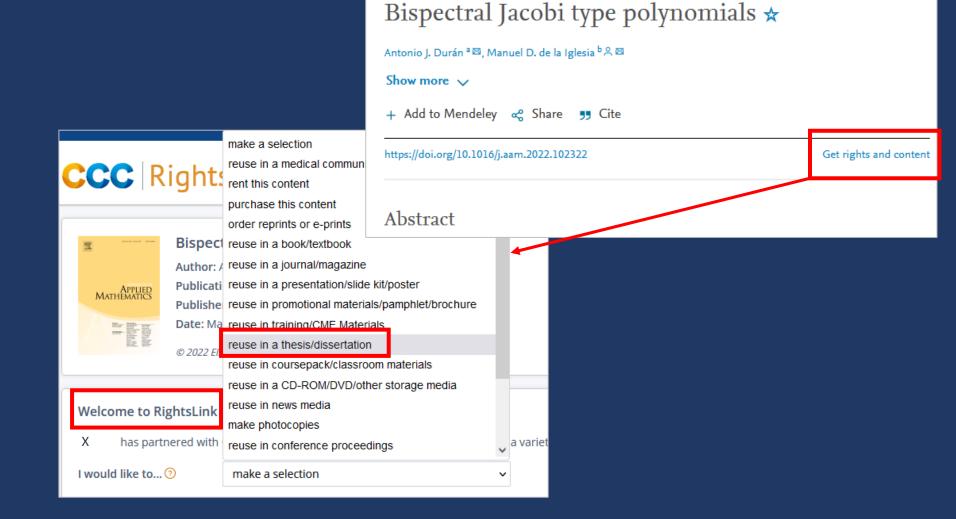


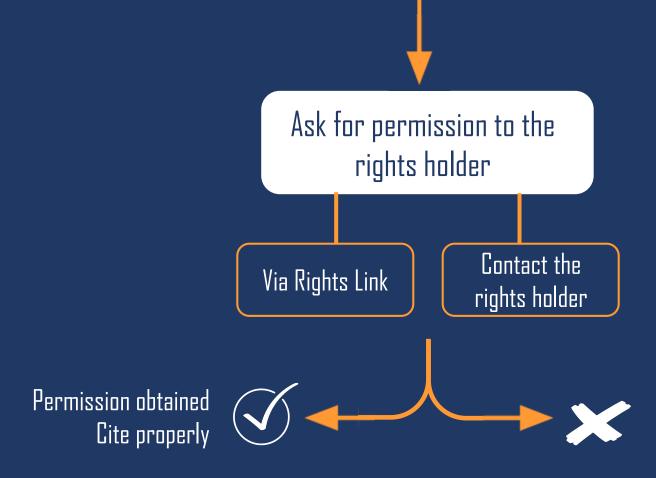




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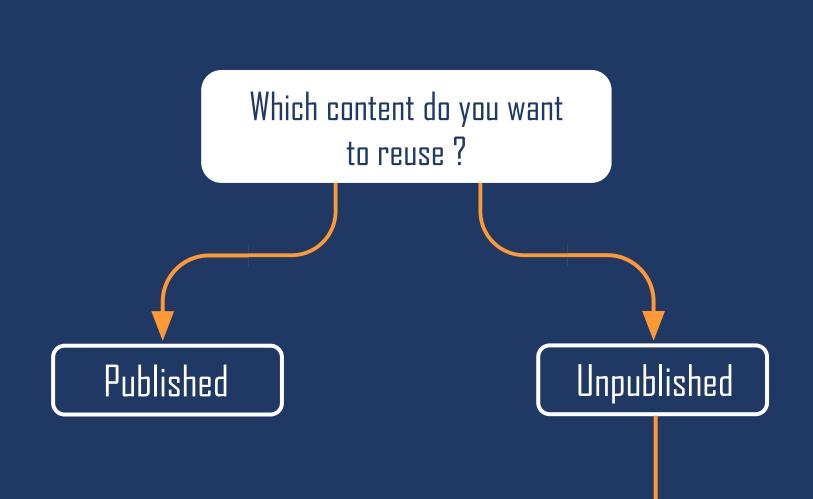
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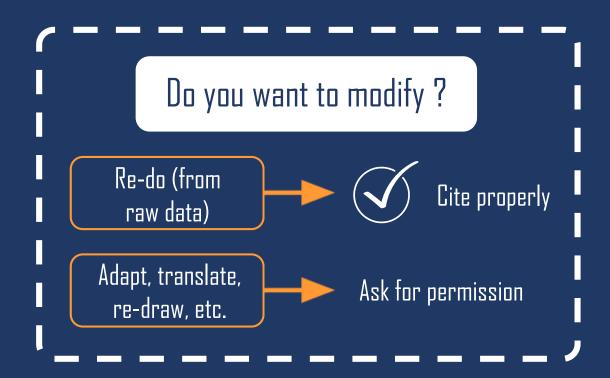
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