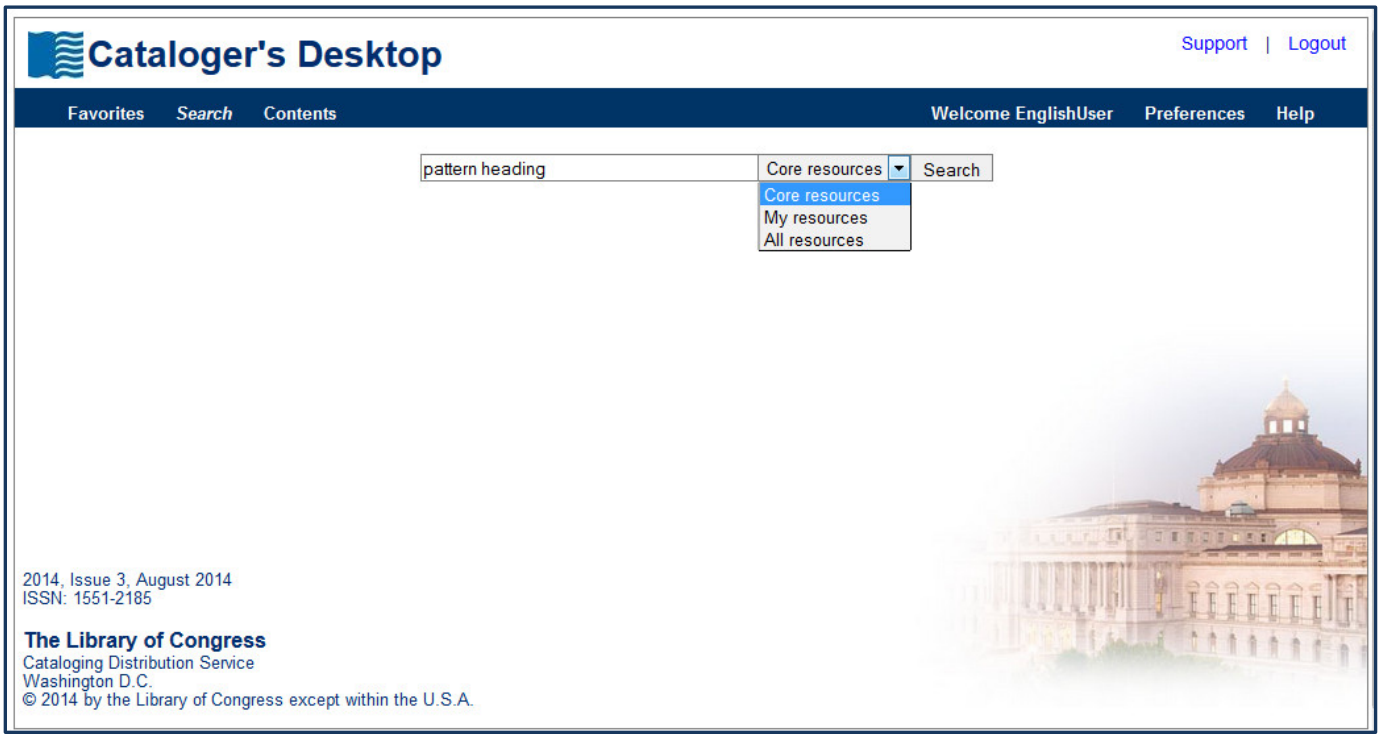
Cataloger's Desktop

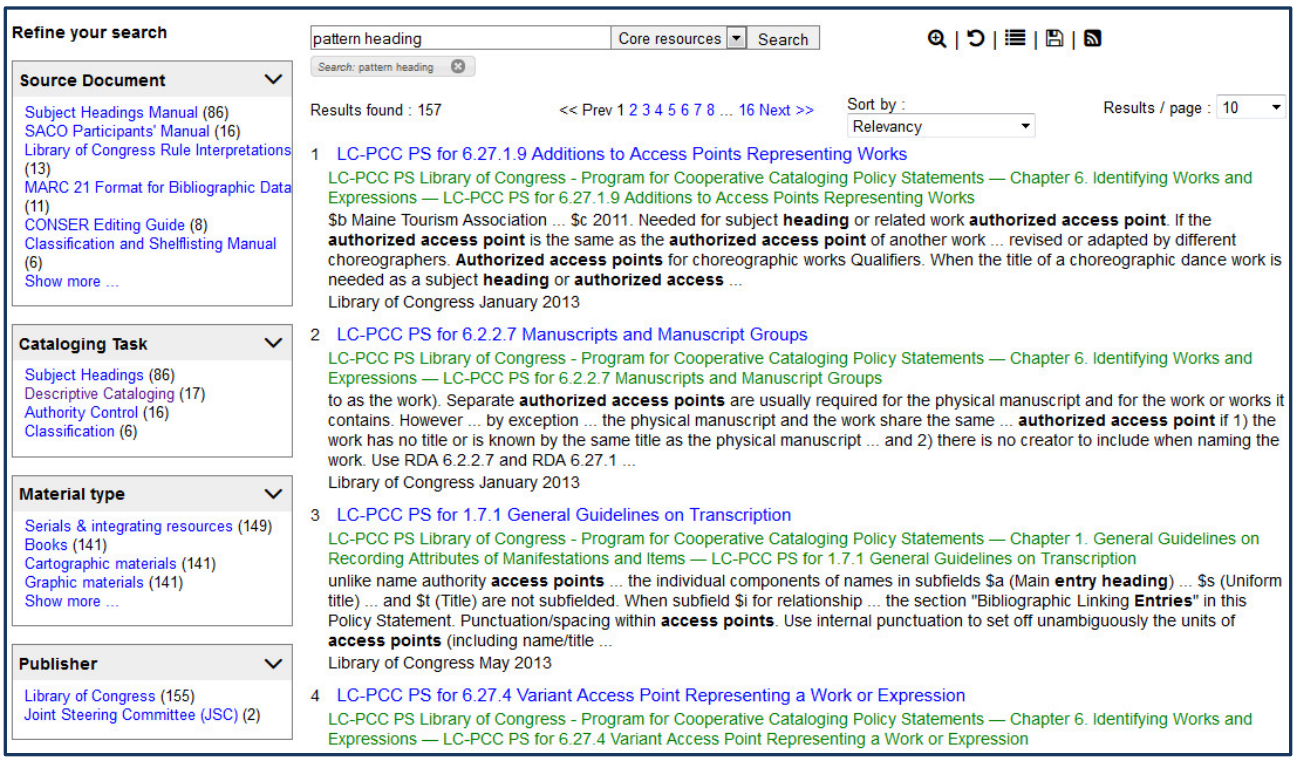
An all new look and feel is coming to *Cataloger's Desktop* in September 2014. LC recently talked to Desktop subscribers and was told that catalogers want a simpler, cleaner user interface that makes it easier to refine searches and navigate. Users also want more robust online help and training.

The new *Cataloger's Desktop* will put the focus on search and retrieval, rather than on table of contents browsing. This "Search First" approach to resource discovery will make it easier to find cataloging instructions without needing to know where to look.

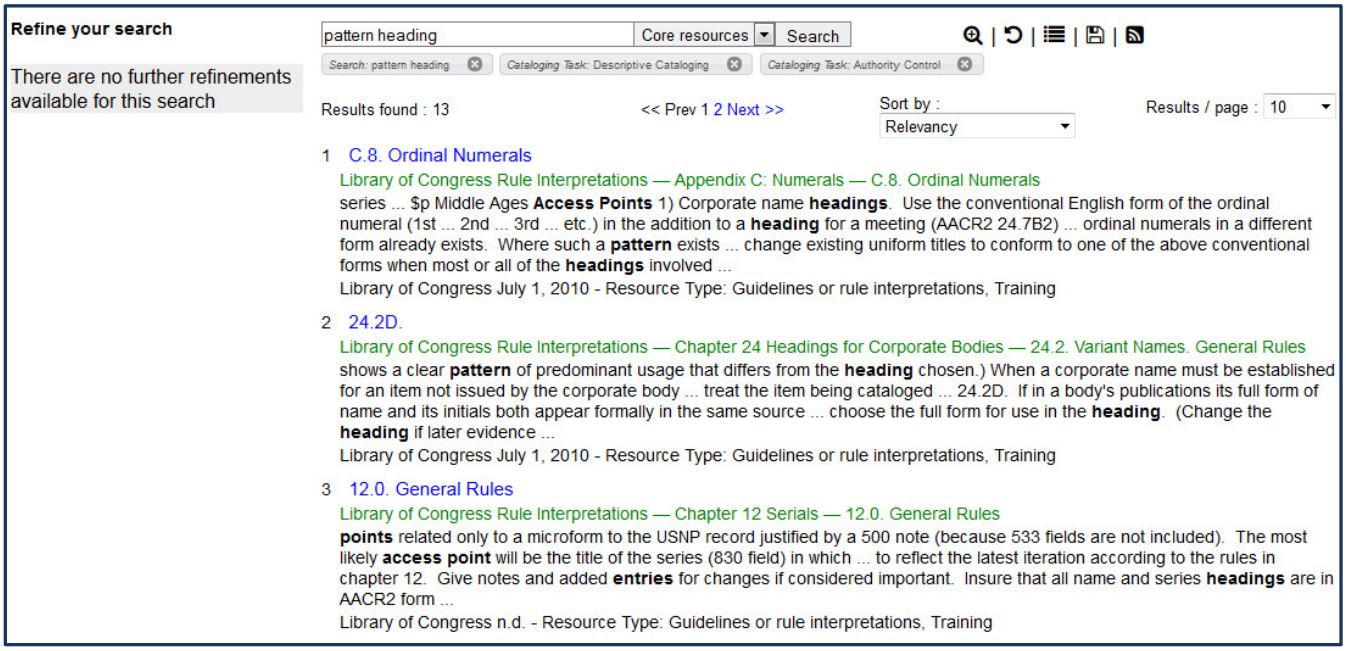
Subscribers will be able to refine searches using facets that quickly focus searches on fewer, higher quality hits. Each hit will have more useful information to simplify finding the answer to your question.



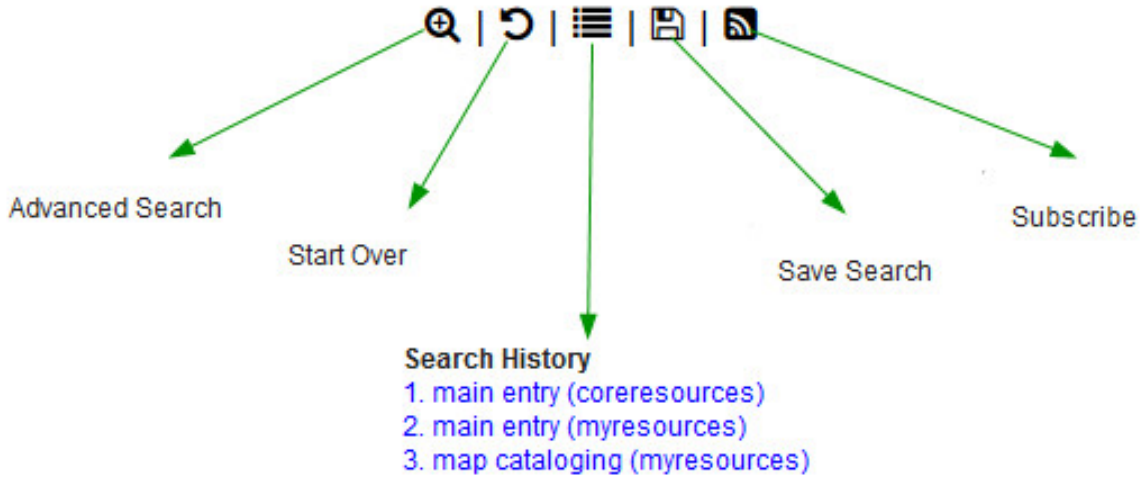
The new *Cataloger's Desktop* comes with a clean look designed for clarity and flexibility. From the opening page, you will be able to focus searching your resources, core resources, or all of *Cataloger's Desktop's* resources.



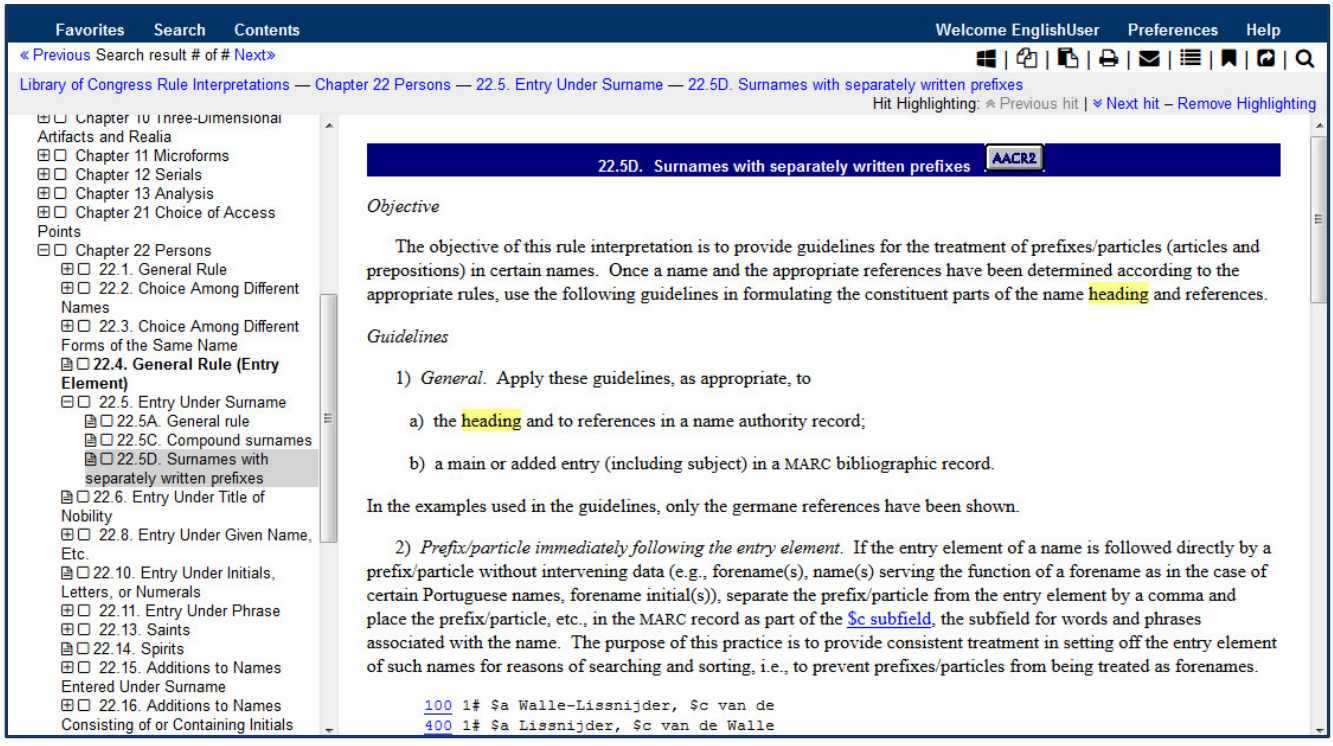
You can refine a search using the facets to the left of the results. This allows you to focus your search on a narrower result set. The facets are: *Source document*, *Cataloging task*, *Material type*, *Publisher*, *Resource type*, *Language*, *Country*, and *New resources*.



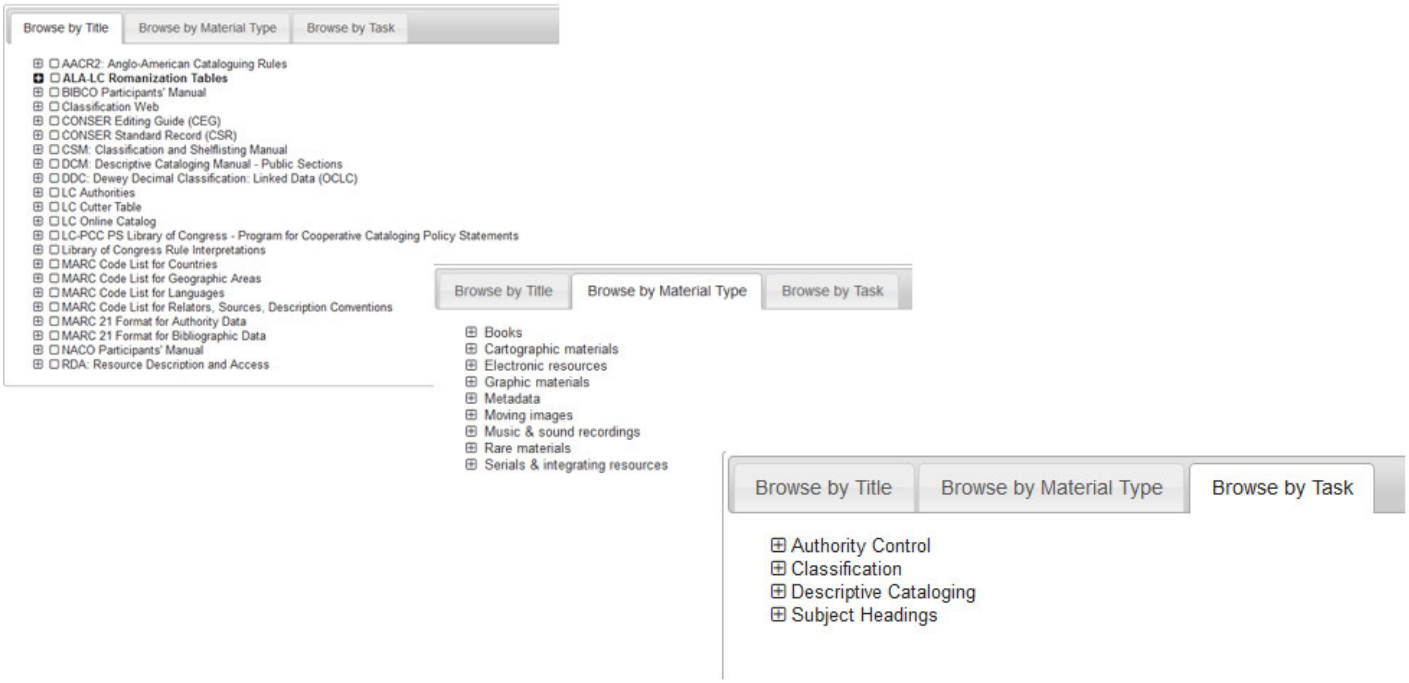
For example, by selecting the *Descriptive cataloging* and *Authority control* facets, the original search was filtered to 13 hits, much more manageable. Clicking the **X** next to a facet will remove it so that you can explore other search options.



The icons allow you to perform advanced searches, return to your start page to do a new search, review your search history, save your search, and subscribe to an RSS feed that will alert you when new results to the search are available.



Contents appear on the left when you select an item. You can print, email, bookmark, or make URL shortcuts from this view. Both the Contents to the left and the blue links over the document show where you are in a resource and allow you to navigate to other locations.



By clicking *Contents* on the blue ribbon, you can explore and search resources by title, by material type, and by cataloging task. This allows you to choose the path that best meets your needs.

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