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- [2] G. O. Young, “Synthetic structure of industrial plastics,” in *Plastics*, 2nd ed., vol. 3, J. Peters, Ed. New York: McGraw-Hill, 1964, pp. 15-64.

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Author, *Title*. Place of publication: Publisher, Year of publication.

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W.-K. Chen, *Linear Networks and Systems*. Belmont, CA: Wadsworth, 1993.

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W.-K. Chen, *Linear Networks and Systems*. Belmont, CA: Wadsworth, 1993, pp. 123-135.

Chapter in an Edited Book with Different Authors

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Author, "Chapter title," in *Book Title*, edition, volume number, Editor, Ed. City of publication: Publisher, Year of publication, First and last page of reference.

Example:

G. O. Young, "Synthetic structure of industrial plastics," in *Plastics*, 2nd ed., vol. 3, J. Peters, Ed. New York: McGraw-Hill, 1964, pp. 15-64.

Periodical Article (journals, transactions, and magazines)

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Author, "Article title," *Periodical Title*, Volume number, First and last page of article.

Example:

E. P. Wigner, "Theory of traveling-wave optical laser," *Phys. Rev.*, vol. 134, pp. A635-A646.

Article from Published Conference Proceedings

Format:

Author, "Article title," in *Conference Title*, Year of conference, First and last page of article.

Example:

D. B. Payne and J. R. Stern, "Wavelength-switched passively coupled single-mode optical network," in *Proc. IOOC-ECOC*, 1985, pp. 585-590.

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Paper Presented at a Conference (unpublished)

Format:

Author, "Paper Title," presented at Conference, Location, Year of conference.

Example:

D. Ebehard and E. Voges, "Digital single sideband detection for interferometric sensors," presented at the 2nd Int. Conf. Optical Fiber Sensors, Stuttgart, Germany, 1984.

Paper Presented at a Conference (online)

Format:

Author. Title. Presented at Conference. [Online]. Available: URL

Example:

PROCESS Corp., MA. Intranets: Internet technologies deployed behind the firewall for corporate productivity. Presented INET96 Annu. Meeting. [Online]. Available: <http://home.process.com/Intranets/wp2.htm>

Technical Reports

Format:

Author, "Report Title," Publisher, City of publisher, Report number, Date of publication.

Example:

E. E. Reber, R.L. Mitchell, and C.J. Carter, "Oxygen absorption in the Earth's atmosphere," Aerospace Corp., Los Angeles, CA, Tech Rep. TR-0200 (4230-46)-3, Nov. 1968.

Reports and Handbooks (online)

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Author. (Year, Month). Title. Publisher, City of Publisher. [Online]. Available: URL

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S. L. Talleen. (1996, Apr.). The Intranet Architecture: Managing information in the new paradigm. Amdahl Corp., CA. [Online]. Available: <http://www.amdahl.com/doc/products/bsg/intra/infra.html>

Patents and Standards

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Author, "Title," U.S. Patent number, Date.

Example:

G. Brandli and M. Dick, "Alternating current fed power supply," U.S. Patent 4 084 217, Nov. 4, 1978.