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**NOTE:** Use *et al.* when three or more names are given.

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The general form for citing technical reports is to place the name and location of the company or institution after the author and title and to give the report number and date at the end of the reference.

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The general form for citing technical articles published in conference proceedings is to list the author/s and title of the paper, followed by the name (and location, if given) of the conference publication *in italics* using these standard abbreviations.

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Write out all the remaining words, but omit most articles and prepositions like “of the” and “on.” That is, *Proceedings of the 1996 Robotics and Automation Conference* becomes Proc. 1996 Robotics and Automation Conf.

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*For an electronic conference article when there are no page numbers:*

[1] J. K. Author [two authors: J. K. Author and A. N. Writer] [three or more authors: J. K. Author et al.], “Title of Article,” in [Title of Conf. Record as it appears on the copyright page], [copyright year] © [IEEE or applicable copyright holder of the Conference Record]. doi: [DOI number]

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Online Sources

The basic guideline for citing online sources is to follow the standard citation for the source given previously and add the Digital Object Identifier (DOI) at the end of the citation, or add the DOI in place of page numbers if the source is not paginated. The DOI for each IEEE conference article is assigned when the article is processed for inclusion in the IEEE Xplore digital library and is included with the reference data of the article in Xplore. See [The DOI System] for more information about the benefits of DOI referencing.

The following sources are unique in that they are electronic only sources.

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WWW

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E-Mail

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NOTE: Use “issued date” if several dates are given.

Standards

Basic Format:
[1] Title of Standard, Standard number, date.

Examples:

Theses (M.S.) and Dissertations (Ph.D.)

Basic Format:

Examples:

Unpublished

These are the two most common types of unpublished references.

Basic Format:

Examples:
NOTE: When referencing IEEE Transactions, the issue number should be deleted and month carried.

Basic Format:


Examples:


**Always use this style when the paper has not yet been accepted or scheduled for publication. Do not use “to appear in.”

Abbreviations for IEEE Periodicals

*Proceedings of the IEEE* abbreviates to: Proc. IEEE

*Proceedings of the IRE* abbreviates to: Proc. IRE (until 1962)

** IEEE Journals**

IEEE J. Solid-State Circuits
IEEE Sensors J.
IEEE Syst. J.
J. Lightw. Technol.
J. Microelectromech. Syst.

**IEEE Letters**

IEEE Commun. Lett.

**IEEE Magazines**

IEEE Antennas Propagat. Mag.
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IEEE Transactions abbreviations

IEEE Human–Factors Electron. (until 1968)
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IEEE Trans. Multimedia
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