Quickstart IEEE Referencing Guide

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Introduction

Referencing in the IEEE style is a two–part process:

- A number in the text: a numerical reference in the text which relates to a numbered reference in the reference list.
- Reference list: a complete list of all the cited references, numbered sequentially and with full bibliographical details.

Citation in the text

- Each time you introduce in your work an idea, thought or theory that belongs to another person, a reference number should be added sequentially and enclosed in square brackets, e.g. [1], [2].
- The reference number should be included inside the punctuation within a sentence.
- If you are using the same reference more than once, it will keep the same number all the way through, e.g. Burton [3] will be [3] all the way through your work. If a new page number or other information is acknowledged, add this after the reference number within the square brackets, e.g. [3, p.28].
- Use "et al." when three or more names are given for a reference cited in the text, e.g. Demonstrated by Herron et al.

Examples:

- As shown by Edwards [2], Matthews and Smith [3]...
- For example, see [1], [3]-[5]...
- This problem was first noted in 2001 [4].
- As argued in [6, pp. 11-14]...

Referring to a specific figure, section/chapter or equation:

- As shown in [7, Fig. 3]...
- According to [6, Ch. 2]...
- As reported in [8, Sec. IV]
- As demonstrated in [9, eq. (5)]
References

- Reference numbers are listed on the left side of the page and form a column of their own. They are enclosed in square brackets.
- Put the names of all authors up to six names. If there are more than six names use "et al." (in italics) after the first author.
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