

Building a Bibliography in L^AT_EX

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\bibitem{itemname1} Author1, Title1, etc

\bibitem{itemname2} Author2, Title2, etc

\end{thebibliography}
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References

- [1] R.V. Hogg and A.T. Craig, Introduction to Mathematical Statistics, Fourth Edition (Macmillan Publishing Company, New York, 1978).
- [2] A. Pelc, Fault-tolerant broadcasting and gossiping in communication networks, Département d’Informatique, Université du Québec à Hull, Hull, Québec J8X 3X7, Canada (1996).
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***** Background LaTeX code *****

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\documentclass[12pt]{article}
\usepackage{amsmath}

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`\bibitem{pelc:surv}` A. Pelc, Fault-tolerant broadcasting and gossiping in communication networks, D\’{e}partement d’Informatique, Universit\’{e} du Qu\’{e}bec \’{a} Hull, Hull, Qu\’{e}bec J8X 3X7, Canada (1996).

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