



Fig. 2



1. "What should I reference?"

(cf. Fig. 1)

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(cf. Fig. 2)

This is a short request of thoughts on helping our users answer this question.

(cf. Fig. 3)





#### 2. Referencing Services

We're producing pages like these in our data center now:

(cf. Fig. 4)

http://dc.g-vo.org/ppmxl/q/cone/howtocite

## 3. On Web Pages, Pointing is Easy

Just have something in your sidebar, and 20% of users may even notice it:

(cf. Fig. 5)

INOW COURT	ار	Intumber of rows
howtocite	http://dc.zah.uni-heidelberg.de/tableinfo/ppmxl.main	For advice on how to cit
howtocite	http://dc.zah.uni-heidelberg.de/tableinfo/icecube.nucand	For advice on how to cit
howtocite	http://dc.zah.uni-heidelberg.de/tableinfo/kapteyn.plates	For advice on how to cit
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### 4. In VO Service Responses...

...all I could come up with is info items like these in the protocol responses:

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<INFO name="howtocite"
  value="http://dc.g-vo.org/tableinfo/ppmxl.main">
   For advice on how to cite the resource(s) that
   contributed to this result, see
   http://dc.g-vo.org/tableinfo/ppmxl.main</INFO>
```

But: Will people notice it? Should we try for a quasi-standard? And client support? (live link<sup>1</sup>)

# 5. And then, Big D

And what about machine readable citation advice?

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To see why we may want this, on http://dc.g-vo.org/tap, run
  select top 5 *
  from ppmxl.main as p
  left outer join icecube.nucand as i
  on (i.nch=p.ipix)
  left outer join kapteyn.plates as k
  on (i.nch=k.accsize)
There are now three items on the wishlist:
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(cf. Fig. 6)

#### 6. Interested?

If you feel we should be doing something about getting our services cited. . .

- making citation advice visible
- making it work for not-too-technical folks
- making it scale as people use dozens of resources in one or a couple of queries

...let's chat.

<sup>1</sup> http://dc.g-vo.org/ppmxl/q/cone/scs.xml?RA=10&DEC=10&SR=0.1