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User Manuals:

[LMI Manual](#)

[DeVeny Manual](#)

[NIHTS Manual](#)

Selected formal technical publications related to the LDT systems or to helping you understand the background for some of the systems.

A good example would SPIE papers. The links are to full PDF copies.

LDT/DCT specific

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More general references useful to LDT/DCT

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2. [Fried, D. L. 1966, J. Opt. Soc. Am., 56, 1372](#), Optical resolution through a randomly inhomogeneous medium for very long and very short exposures
3. [Lakshminarayanan, V., Fleck, A. 2011, JMOp, 58, 545](#), Zernike polynomials: a guide
4. [Noll, R. 1976, JOSA, 66, 207](#), Zernike polynomials and atmospheric turbulence
5. [Schwesinger, G., 1991, JMOp, 38, 1507](#), Lateral support of very large telescope mirrors by edge forces only
6. [Wallace, P. T. 2002, Proc. of SPIE, 4848, 125](#), A rigorous algorithm for telescope pointing