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TABLE I. TABLE TYPE STYLES

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[Conclusions, including Discussion or Recommendations, and Future Work.]

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## APPENDIX

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