

NAME

lkbib – search bibliographic databases

SYNOPSIS

lkbib [**-n**] [**-i** *fields*] [**-p** *filename*] [**-t** *n*] *key* ...

lkbib **---help**

lkbib **-v**

lkbib **---version**

DESCRIPTION

lkbib searches bibliographic databases for references that contain the keys *key* ... and prints any references found on the standard output. *lkbib* will search any databases given by **-p** options, and then a default database. The default database is taken from the *REFER* environment variable if it is set, otherwise it is */usr/dict/papers/Ind*. For each database *filename* to be searched, if an index *filename.i* created by *indxbib*(1) exists, then it will be searched instead; each index can cover multiple databases.

OPTIONS

Whitespace is permitted between a command-line option and its argument.

---help Display a usage message and exit.

-istring

When searching files for which no index exists, ignore the contents of fields whose names are in *string*.

-p *filename*

Search *filename*. Multiple **-p** options can be used.

-tn

Only require the first *n* characters of keys to be given. Initially *n* is 6.

-v

---version

Display version information and exit.

ENVIRONMENT

REFER

Default database.

FILES

/usr/dict/papers/Ind

Default database to be used if the *REFER* environment variable is not set.

filename.i

Index files.

SEE ALSO

refer(1), *lookbib*(1), *indxbib*(1)