Template and Instructions for the Preparation of a Conference Proceedings Paper

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# 1 Introduction

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# References

1. Whitham, G. B.: *Linear and nonlinear waves*, Academic Press, 1974

2. Case, M.: 'Impulse compression using soliton effects in a monolithic GaAs circuit', *App. Phys. Lett.*, 58, 173-175, 1993

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