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Publications

Each manuscript listed below corresponds by number to the Technical Report previously submitted to the Office of Naval Research for Contract N00014-80-C-0472. The major portion of these are journal articles, where the remainder are book chapters and conference proceedings. The one exception is #8, which is the Ph.D. thesis of Dr. Jui-teng Lin. Another Ph.D. thesis in chemistry supported by ONR but not submitted as a Technical Report is "Charge Transfer and Electronic Relaxation in Ion-Surface Scattering" by Dr. Franco Battaglia (University of Rochester, 1985). The results of this thesis are contained in #40, 55, 63, and 66 listed below.


