## **Introduction to Technical Reading**

Chapter 4.

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## **Conclusions, Summary, and Abstract**

Main topics:

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- Why need conclusions and abstract in a technical report? Should we need both?
  - 1. An abstract allows the reader to determine the nature and scope of the paper (It takes only few minutes).
  - 2. Conclusion is to put the interpretation into the context of the original problem.
- What you expect to read in the section of conclusions and abstract?
  - 1. Brief statement of the problem or purpose of the research.
  - 2. Indication of the theoretical or experimental plan used.
  - 3. Summary of the principle findings and major conclusions.
- How to read these sections and gather useful information quickly?

Face it! It's only few sentences (usually less than 300 words). Read carefully and go through it.

## 摘要寫作參考格式:

- 1. 主題句
  - a 說明論文之重點目的或主要結果
  - b 說明為何進行該研究(Introduction)
- 2. 描述實驗的基本資料
- 3. 說明研究結果
- 4. 一句總論(可有可無)