NAME
>   lookbib − search bibliographic databases

SYNOPSIS
>   **lookbib** [**−i** *string*] [**−t** *n*] *filename* . . .
>
>   **lookbib −−help**
>
>   **lookbib −v**
>   **lookbib −−version**

DESCRIPTION
>   *lookbib* prints a prompt on the standard error (unless the standard input is not a terminal), reads from the standard input a line containing a set of keywords, searches the bibliographic databases *filename* . . . for references containing those keywords, prints any references found on the standard output, and repeats this process until the end of input. 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.
>
>   **−i***string*
>   >   When searching files for which no index exists, ignore the contents of fields whose names are in *string*.
>
>   **−t***n*   Only require the first *n* characters of keys to be given. Initially *n* is 6.
>
>   **−v**
>   **−−version**
>   >   Display version information and exit.

FILES
>   filename.*i*
>   >   Index files.

SEE ALSO
>   *refer*(1), *lkbib*(1), *indxbib*(1)