

DISC

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Distributed Computing
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2003

CALL FOR PAPERS

IMPORTANT DATES

Submission Deadline: April 9, 2003, 17:00 EST.
Notification of Acceptance or Rejection: on or before June 24, 2003
Camera Ready Copy due for Accepted Papers: July 14, 2003

SCOPE

Original contributions to the theory, design, analysis, implementation, or application of distributed systems and networks are solicited. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- distributed algorithms and their complexity
- fault-tolerance of distributed systems
- consistency conditions and synchronization
- multiprocessor/cluster architectures and algorithms
- cryptographic and security protocols for distributed systems
- distributed operating systems
- distributed computing issues on the internet and the web
- distributed systems management
- distributed applications such as databases, mobile agents, electronic commerce, and peer-to-peer networks
- communication network architectures and protocols
- specification, semantics, and verification of distributed systems

BRIEF ANNOUNCEMENT TRACK

Ongoing work for which full papers are not ready yet or recent results published elsewhere are suitable for submission as brief announcements. It is hoped that researchers will use the brief announcement track to quickly draw the attention of the community to their experiences, insights and results from ongoing distributed computing research and projects.

SUBMISSION FORMAT

Every submission, regular or brief, should be in English, begin with a cover page (not a cover letter), and be followed by an extended abstract. The cover page must include:

- Title, names of all authors and their affiliations,
- contact author's postal address, email address and telephone number,
- a brief, one paragraph abstract of the paper,
- whether the paper is to be considered for the regular track, the brief announcement track, or both,
- whether the submission should be considered for the best student paper award.

A regular submission's extended abstract should be no longer than 4500 words and not exceed 10 pages on letter-size paper using at least 11 point font and reasonable margins. (The page limit includes all figures, tables, graphs, and references.) Additional necessary details may be included in a clearly marked appendix that will be read at the discretion of the program committee.

A brief announcement's extended abstract should not exceed 4 pages using at least 11 point font and reasonable margins. Submissions deviating from these guidelines will be rejected without consideration of their merits.

It is recommended that the extended abstract begin with a succinct statement of the problem or the issue being addressed, a summary of the main results or conclusions, a brief explanation of their significance, a brief statement of the key ideas, and a comparison with related work, all tailored to a non-specialist. Technical development of the work, directed to the specialist, should follow.

PUBLICATION AND PRESENTATION

The symposium program lists all accepted papers--regular and brief announcements. Brief Announcements are presented at the symposium in a rump session and get 5 to 10 minutes each, as time permits. Regular papers get 25 minutes each. The symposium proceedings will include only accepted regular papers and will be published by Springer in its Lecture Notes in Computer Science series. Accepted brief announcements will be published in a technical report by the University of Toronto.

SUBMISSION

The submission deadline is Wednesday, April 9, 2003 at 17:00 EST. Authors are strongly encouraged to submit their papers electronically. Details will be available by March 5 on the Web Page. Authors who cannot submit electronically must submit a printed copy to the DISC program chair at the following address:

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Authors submitting hard copies should also send an e-mail to the program chair indicating that they are submitting in this manner.

BEST STUDENT PAPER AWARD

A paper is eligible for the best student paper award only if it is a regular submission, one of its authors is a full-time student at the time of submission and the student's contribution is significant. The program committee may split this award or decline to make it.

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