

On Special Issues

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Dear Colleagues,

Now that we have reached kind of steady-state in the journal, steady-state only in terms of reducing the paper backlog and planning the next few issues, it is time to start thinking about special issues.

It is one of our goals to promote and encourage special issues on cutting edge technology topics, state-of-the-art either in far fetched research areas or well developed ones. It is this type of issues that makes the statement about who is who and who is doing what in a specific area, and also summarizes advances in the area under consideration.

Special issues and special issue invited papers are no different than contributed papers. On the contrary, it may be considered tougher to accept them since standards, quality and competition is higher. This is not bad; it is a sign of a healthy journal and well qualified audience.

Special issue guest editors will coordinate the review process along with the editorial board. At least three reviews per paper will be required, with the final decisions made by the guest editors and the editor-in-chief.

Keep this in mind, and when ready, please make your recommendations to me.

Enjoy the issue and do not forget to contribute an article.



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