EDITORIAL

Preface: special issue on the annual international conference on combinatorial optimization and applications (COCOA)

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COCOA 2017 provided a forum for researchers working in the area of theoretical computer science and combinatorics. The technical program of the conference included 59 regular papers selected by the Program Committee from 145 full submissions received in response to the call for papers. Each submission was peer reviewed by at least 3, and on the average 3.8, Program Committee members or external reviewers. The topics cover most aspects of theoretical computer science and combinatorics related to computing, including classic combinatorial optimization, geometric optimization, complexity and data structures, graph theory, etc.

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