FOREWORD

Special Section on Recent Advances in Simulation Techniques and Their Applications for Electronics

The speed and efficiency of computations have improved remarkably with the advent of high-performance computers. On these platforms, many simulation techniques have been developed and commercial software packages have become available. They are recognized as indispensable and powerful tools for designing and modeling systems, equipment, and components of practical devices, and also for estimating various risks and safety problems.

This special section presents a collection of original papers regarding recent advances of simulation techniques in electronics. It comprises 10 papers, which include 7 regular and 3 brief papers. They cover the topics from fundamental computational methods to a wide variety of industrial applications. These papers are conventionally categorized as different topics in various communities. From the viewpoint of Electronic Simulation Technology (EST), all of them are unified and new findings are provided. Readers can quickly overlook cutting-edge technologies from low to high frequencies and grasp recent trends of simulation techniques combined with optimization methods, machine learning, and neural network.

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