FOREWORD

Special Issue on Recent Development of Electro-Mechanical Devices

Electro-Mechanical Devices (EMD) committee has annually held an International Session on EMD (IS-EMD) to discuss the research results on EMD with not only domestic but foreign researchers since 2001. Moreover, IEICE has annually published special section on the recent development of EMD at the timing to synchronize with the IS-EMD. The special issue has been well-known among the worldwide EMD researchers as a result of the strategic activities of the EMD committee. The 19th IS-EMD was held at the University of Electro-Communications, Tokyo, Japan on November 15th, 2019. This special section was planned to coincide with the timing of the 19th IS-EMD. In this special section, two papers and one brief paper are selected from 4 submitted papers by the Editorial Committee. These papers include wide basic research fields on the EMD which are interesting for the readers who have basic electrical engineering research issues.

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