
FOREWORD

Special Section on Cryptography and Information Security

This special section is the thirty-second in a series that appears in IEICE Transactions on Fundamentals of Electronics, Communications and Computer Sciences. Its objective is to stimulate research in the area of cryptography and information security.

This special section has been intended to include the extended versions of papers presented at 2021 Symposium on Cryptography and Information Security (SCIS 2021), which was sponsored by ISEC of IEICE. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, SCIS 2021 was held online on January 19–22, 2021. I would like to pay tribute to the chair Kazuo Sakiyama and all the other members of the organizing committee for their efforts in making SCIS 2021 a great success with 806 participants and 277 presentations.

The editorial committee received 23 submissions and selected 16 papers for publication. Throughout the review process, 77 review reports were written by a total of 45 anonymous reviewers.

On behalf of the editorial committee, I would like to thank all the authors sincerely for submitting their research results. My sincere gratitude also goes out to the editorial committee and reviewers for their voluntary work on the comprehensive evaluation of submitted papers and letters. I was very fortunate that so many experts put their precious time and efforts into managing assigned submissions excellently. Last but not least, I would like to express my deepest gratitude to Kota Ideguchi and Hiroaki Anada. I was impressed by their dedicated work as Guest Editors.

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