FOREWORD

Special Section on Foundations of Computer Science

We are very happy to publish this special section on Foundation of Computer Science. This is the fifth section on this title. The main goal of this special section is to review and promote recent progress in the field of foundation of computer science.

In this year, there were 16 papers submitted of high overall quality, out of which eight papers (including one letter) were selected for publication. Topics of the selected papers include graph algorithms, approximation algorithms, computational learning theory, grammars, networks, and scoring algorithms. Among 16 submissions, seven were from foreign researchers.

As the Guest Editor of this special section, I would like to express my appreciation to all authors for their contributions. I am extremely grateful to the members of the Editorial Committee for their timely and dedicated work. Thanks are due to all reviewers for their constructive comments.

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