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The ACM Proceedings of the ACM on Measurement and Analysis of Computing Systems (POMACS) focuses on the measurement and performance evaluation of computer systems and operates in close collaboration with the ACM Special Interest Group SIGMETRICS. All papers in the last three (*i.e.*, this one and the previous two) issues of POMACS were scheduled to be presented during the ACM SIGMETRICS 2020 conference. Unfortunately, the SIGMETRICS 2020 conference has been cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Each issue contains papers selected by the editorial board via a rigorous review process that follows a hybrid conference and journal model, with reviews conducted by the 80 members of our POMACS editorial board. Each paper was either conditionally accepted (and shepherded), allowed a “one-shot” revision (to be resubmitted to the one of the subsequent two deadlines), or rejected (with resubmission allowed after a year). Over the three issues during which we have served as editors, POMACS has published 52 papers out of 280 submissions (72 to the Summer call, 91 to the Fall call, and 117 to the Winter call), with an overall acceptance rate of approximately 20%. Most papers received at least 3 reviews and we held an online TPC meeting for each deadline/issue. Submitted papers spanned a range of areas in performance analysis of computer systems, including modeling and analysis, systems and networking. Reflecting recent trends in the field, the topics of learning, measurement, security and privacy, attracted approximately 25%, 12%, and 10% of all submissions, respectively.

Many people contributed to the success of POMACS over the last year. First, we would like to thank the authors, who submitted some of their best work to SIGMETRICS/POMACS. Second, we would like to thank the editorial board, who returned their reviews on time despite the pandemic, participated in thoughtful discussions online and during the TPC meetings, and carried a heavy workload over three consecutive deadlines. On the organizational side, we would like to thank Balint Tillman, who helped manage HotCRP, and Zhenhua Liu, who oversaw the publications process under tight deadlines. We are also grateful to the SIGMETRICS Executive Board for their guidance and involvement, especially Chair Giuliano Casale and past SIGMETRICS TPC Chairs Adam Wierman and Nick Duffield who provided a wealth of information and guidance.

Enjoy this year’s POMACS issues and we hope that you consider contributing your work to future issues.

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