

PAC09



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Conference Numbers



- ▶ 1309 participants
- ▶ 147 students
- > 74 industrial exhibits
- ► 117 invited orals
- ▶ 84 contributed orals
- ► 1710→1625 posters
- (2756 abstracts in SPMS)
- 23 satellite meetings



SPC First Meeting



- First meeting was held one year before the conference.
- Held in St. Louis, MO on 11/04/08.
- ▶ 67 SPC members present.
- ▶ 455 proposals, most entered into SPMS by members.
- Revised Main and Sub-Classification scheme with almost unique pairings.
- ▶ 16 Main Classifications and therefore groups at meeting.
- Deliberated for 6 hours and chose 113 Invited Orals.
- Used SPMS exclusively.
- Did not achieve a perfect demographic spread at the meeting.
- Fine tuning for two months afterwards via e-mail.
- The meeting was too short.



SPC Second Meeting



- Second meeting was held 3.5 months before conference.
- ▶ Held in Vancouver on Friday 16/01/09 for the full committee, and until lunchtime Saturday for the 16 session chairs in order to achieve a demographic balance.
- ▶ 82 Contributed Orals were selected from 2043 abstracts.
- Revised programme was approved that rebalanced some of the main classifications based upon the number of abstracts received.
- Conference would schedule 30 minutes at the end of both morning and afternoon sessions without orals to allow all delegates to attend the poster sessions.
- Totally conducted via SPMS using Priorities and then created CO-1, CO-2, CO-3 overnight to aid final balancing.
- Need for total SPMS lockout to the outside world.



IPAC Philosophy



PAC09 Contribution Counts by Region

#	Region	Invited Oral		Contributed Oral		Poster		Total	
1	North America	66	56.90%	38	45.24%	730	46.47%	834	47.09%
2	Europe	31	26.72%	28	33.33%	524	33.35%	583	32.92%
3	Asia	19	16.38%	15	17.86%	281	17.89%	315	17.79%
4	South America	0	0.00%	2	2.38%	18	1.15%	20	1.13%
5	Middle East	0	0.00%	1	1.19%	13	0.83%	14	0.79%
6	Australia	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	5	0.32%	5	0.28%
То	tal Contributions	116	6.55%	84	4.74%	1571	88.71%	1771	



Conference Logistics



- Had to use two hotels due to space considerations.
- Added logistical problems:
 - Had to move the Registration Desk Monday lunchtime.
 - Start registration on Sunday at the Fairmont Vancouver.
 - * Hard wired connections plus TRIUMF provided wireless for registration staff only, not for delegates.
 - Move to the Hyatt Regency during Monday lunchtime.
 - Monday morning plenary sessions held at the Fairmont.
 - Monday afternoon orals and poster sessions at the Hyatt.
 - Rest of sessions and industrial exhibits held at the Hyatt.
 - Used the Fairmont for some satellite meetings and half of the banquet participants.



Internet Connectivity



- Fairmont Vancouver:
 - Hard wired plus TRIUMF provided wireless for Registration Desk use only (cost considerations).
 - Wireless / hard wired access for satellite meetings only when requested.
- Hyatt Regency:
 - Single 100 Mbps fibre link to ISP for entire hotel.
 - PAC09 granted >90% of bandwidth.
 - Proceedings Office could have been given 80%.
 - I Gbps or second fibre not available.
 - Failure recovery: microwave link across street to Fairmont.



Proceedings Office



- Daylight, even a balcony, but poor weather!
- Manpower (a few 0.5 FTE):
 - 13 editors
 - I DBA
 - 7 paper reception
 - 2 speaker interface
 - 2 transparencies
 - 2 IT + IEEE
- Apple Canada a sponsor, Proceedings Office Mac dominated.
- Orientation for PACII and IPACI2.
- ▶ IEEE in charge of Internet Café and AV.



Processing Brief Summary



- ▶ 1766 contributions / 1600 papers
- ▶ 4900+ unique authors
- ▶ 525+ institutions
- Initial paper status: Green: 43% Yellow: 49% Red: 8%
- ▶ Platform: PC: 74% Mac: 15% UNIX: 11%
- Linux fileserver @ TRIUMF, 36 GB used, RAID + triple backup
- Editors 4 GB
- ▶ JPSP runs 22 GB, 80,000 files
- Mac backup 34 GB



Running JPSP Scripts



- ▶ JPSP scripts
 - SCS2009-2
 - SCS2009-3_v10_6
 - SCS2009-3_vI0_7
 - were challenged by PAC09!
- JPSP SCS2009-5_v10_9_2 works
 - 4.6 GB, 7346 files, without any talks or photos!
 - proceed.pdf = I.8 GB
 - proceed I.pdf = 951 MB
- See Wednesday talk.



Summary



- > SPMS and JPSP used at every stage of the conference:
 - PC mode and SPC meetings.
 - Abstract submission.
 - Registration via bypass pairs to TRIUMF system.
 - Special Poster Session for Students and student support registration.
 - Scientific programme management.
 - Abstracts section of Conference Guide (printed, WWW, USB) and Book of Abstracts (WWW, USB) – thank you Volker!
 - Proceedings production.
- Pre-press proceedings should be published next week.