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#### **Foreword**

The Faculty of Computer and Information Sciences, Hosei University is a very new school, established last year with 22 academic staff, 5 administrative staff and 155 freshmen at Koganei, Tokyo. Hosei University, one of the old private universities in Japan and cerebrating the 120th anniversary last year, is innovatively reforming itself and establishes new faculties recently to pursue the studies of globalization, environment, welfare and information, which are the most crucial issues of the coming age.

The Faculty of Computer and Information Sciences studies wide ranges of computer science and information technologies, including computer architecture, parallel processing, programming languages, operating systems, compiler, databases, artificial intelligence, genetic programming, neural networks, pattern recognition, image processing, computer graphics, digital animation, Internet applications, LAN, coding and the cyber world.

This annals is the first report of the Faculty of Computer and Information Sciences. The activities of the first year are remarkable. Our members held the Sixth IEEE International Conference of Engineering of Complex Computer System in September. The faculty held the Inauguration Symposium in January. A lot of papers have been published at outstanding international conferences. In education, many innovative methods have been introduced, including seminars of the first year students, courses taught in English, Java as the first programming language and exchange programs with Griffith University and the University of Adelaide.

There are no doubts that our activities are stronger and stronger year by year with your cooperation, which is very important. Advance computer science and information technologies with us.

Dean, Professor Kenji Ohmori



Associate Professor

#### Runhe HUANG

Runhe HUANG was born in Fujian, China on December 4, 1962. She received her B.Sc. in Electronics Technology from National Defense University of Technology, China, in 1982, and her Ph.D. in Computer Science and Mathematics from the University of the West of England, UK, in 1993. She worked at National Defense University of Technology as a Lecturer during the period 1982-1988. In 1988, she received a Sino-Britain Friendship Scholarship for her Ph.D. study in U.K. She was an assistant professor in the Computer Science and Engineering Lab. of University of Aizu for 7 years. She becomes an associate professor in Hosei University since April 2000.

Her research fields include Computer Supported Collaboration Working (CSCW), Artificial Intelligence and its Applications, Multimedia and Distributed Processing, Genetic Algorithms. She has been involving or leading the following main research projects:

- Multimedia Modeling Framework (1995-1996)
- Genetic Algorithms for Survival Network Designs (1996-1997)
- Cheer: A Computer based Hyper Educational Environments (1997-1998)
- Multimedia Collaborative Working/Learning Environments (1998-1999)
- University21: 21st Century Virtual Education Community (1998-)
- Open Agent Architecture for Integrating Developed Intelligent Agents (1999-)

Her current research interests are mainly focused on Distributed Intelligent and Collaborative Computing including Multimedia Collaborative Systems over the Internet; Distributed Processing and Resource Management; Intelligent Agents for a Virtual University and Cyber-world; Intelligent Processing in E-business and E-commerce. Wireless Internet Computing in a Lifelong Learning Community.

Dr. Huang is a member of IEEE, ACM and IPSJ. She has been active in various academic societies. She has published more than 50 academic refereed papers in various international conferences and journals. She received the Best Paper Award from the 2000 International Conference on Information Society in the 21st Century: Emerging

With rapid developments of the Internet and Web technologies, the 21st century is a networked digital information era. Accompanying this era, a new world (*Cyberworld*) is on the way to be brought out. It is an interesting and a full of mystery world. It is the time for us to discover mysteries and make inventions, in particularly, in the fields of world modeling and finding scientific and social laws for guiding people's communications, collaborations and educations in this exciting world. Let us face the challenges and enjoy inventions in the 21st century!

My hobby is reading, traveling, cooking, gardening, programming and badminton.

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He was formerly with C&C Research Laboratories of NEC Corporation, where he

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Since 2000, he has been a Professor at the Faculty of Computer and Information Sciences, Hosei University.

His current research areas include: parallel computer architecture and its applications in scientific and intelligent computing.

He is a member of the IEICE of Japan and Information Processing Society of Japan.

He received the best paper award in 1985, the 25 year's anniversary best paper award in 1985, and the 30 year's anniversary best paper award in 1990, from the Information Processing Society of Japan.

My research area focuses on achieving high-performance applying parallel and distributed processing technologies in both scientific and intelligent computing areas.

With the advancement of microprocessor, parallel processing is becoming important technology. However, exploiting parallelisms in applications and mapping them onto actual parallel machines become difficult if the number of processors is increased. Current research interest is to apply PC cluster system to important applications, such as DNA information processing.

My hobbies are Sailing-ship model building, Classical music listening and Skiing.

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His current research areas include: formal engineering methods, internet-based intelligent software engineering supporting environments, and safety-critical and complex computer systems. In particular, he has been concentrating on the research of developing a formal engineering method called SOFL and related software verification techniques, such as fault tree analysis, specification testing, and specification-based program testing.

He is a member of the IEEE Computer Science Society. He received an "Outstanding Paper Award" at 1996 IEEE International Conference on Engineering of Complex Computer Systems (ICECCS'96) and a "Certificate of Appreciation for Outstanding Service as ICFEM'97 General Chair and Founder" at 1997 IEEE International Conference on Formal Engineering Methods (ICFEM'97) from IEEE Computer Society Technical Committee on Complexity in Computing.

The goal of my research is to provide effective languages, methods, and supporting environments for developing reliable and robust complex software systems. To reach this goal, my own and my group's research has been centered on the development of a formal engineering method called SOFL, standing for Structured Object-Oriented Formal Language, and the rigorous software verification techniques, such as fault tree analysis and testing. Recently, I am more interested in research on internet-based intelligent software engineering supporting environments, and application of formal engineering methods to safety-critical and complex computer systems.

My hobby includes table tennis, soccer, and Karaoke.

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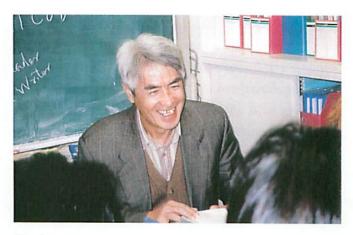
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Jianhua MA was born in Xi'an, China on October 14, 1962. He received the B.S. and M.S. degrees of Communication Systems from National University of Defense Technology (NUDT), China, in 1982 and 1985, respectively, and the PhD degree of Information Engineering from Xidian University, China, in 1990. He has joined Hosei University since 2000, and is currently an associate professor at Faculty of Computer Information and Science. Previously, he had worked for 7 years at NUDT, 3 years at Xidian University, and 5 years at the University of Aizu in Japan, respectively.

From 1984 to 1990, his research fields were the error-control coding techniques applied to digital HF and mobile communications, and secure systems in computer data, audio and video transmissions. During 1991-1993, he was leading a project of an intelligent speech computing system, including speech analysis, recognition, synthesis, encryption, encoding, and decoding. In 1994-1996, he was devoted to multimedia synchronization modeling, hyper-world interface technology, and advanced bump-mapped shading algorithms and fuzzy-object generating algorithms for high performance graphics ASIC. Since 1997, his research has been focused on multimedia technologies, networks, intelligent agents and distributed collaborative systems, and their applications in virtual university, distance learning community and other e-business over the current and future Internet.

Dr. Ma is a member of IEEE. He is an editor of the International Journal of Computer Processing of Oriental Languages. He served the International Journal of Software Engineering and Knowledge Engineering as a guest editor. He organized the 6th International Conference on Distributed Multimedia Systems in 1999, and the International Workshop on Virtual University for Multilingual Education in 2000, respectively, as a program co-chair. He is a foundation member of the International Consortium of Macro University, a federation of virtual universities, in which there are currently more than 20 universities from the world, including Japan, USA, Australia, Taiwan, Germany, Korean, etc.

He received the Annual Excellent Paper Awards from China Information Theory Society, Electronics Society, and Association of Hunan Science and Technology in 1985, 1986 and 1991, respectively. He received the Best Paper Award from the 2000 International Conference on Information Society in the 21st Century: Emerging Technologies and New Challenges.

Because of the Internet and Web, a networked and computerized digital world, called Cyberworld or Hyperworld, is coming. The world is still a mystery to us. We are not fully clear about what the new world is, what are its basic scientific and social laws, and how to live, work and learn in such world. However, it is sure that, no matter what the world is, a person needs collaborations with others and helps from other people, agents or tools. Therefore, it is important to study and develop corresponding techniques and systems to support effective computer based collaborations over networks among remote people and provide them efficient assistances from software intelligent agents in the world. Furthermore, current universities will be totally changed in the new world. It is necessary to investigate elements, architectures, styles, rules as well as techniques of the next generational university -Virtual University. As a fundamental unit in the cyberworld, research, developments, constructions and experiments of the virtual university will also help us to reveal the secrets of the new world. Based on the above philosophy, my current researches are focused on the following three fields: 1) Java based multimedia collaborative systems over the Internet, 2) software intelligent agents on the WWW, and 3) distance learning and virtual university through the Web.

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His current research areas include algebraic coding theory, error control systems, and information theory. He is a member of the IEEE Information Theory Society, Communications Society, Computer Society, the Institute of Electronics, Information and Communication Engineerings of Japan, and the Society for Information Theory and Its Applications of Japan.

I started my academic life in the theory of algebraic error-correcting codes and its applications, and have recently been interested also in information theory. For the past 15 years I have been studying on the asymptotic capability of algebraic error-correcting codes, which are able to prove Shannon's fundamental theorem for noisy channel not by random coding technique but by constructive coding. Now I would like to study on Shannon's channel coding theorem from the viewpoints of both the reliability function in information theory and the asymptotic distance ratio in coding theory. As the final purpose (dream) in my academic life, I will try to challenge the fundamental problems to determine the reliability function for low rates and to clarify relationship between the reliability function and the asymptotic distance ratio.

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Alexander PASKO was born in Krasnoyarsk, Russia, on December 18, 1960. He received M.Sc. and Ph.D. degrees in computer science from Moscow Engineering Physics Institute (MEPI, Russia) in 1983 and 1988. He was a researcher at MEPI from 1983 to 1992 and an assistant professor at the University of Aizu (Japan) from 1993 to 1999. His research interests include solid and volume modeling, animation, multidimensional visualization, multimedia, and computer art.

He is a member of ACM SIGGRAPH, IEEE and Eurographics Association. He took part in organizing several international conferences and in running academic journals:

- Program committee co-chair of Shape Modeling International '2001 (Genova, Italy)
- Computer graphics session co-chair of Libre Software Meeting (Bordeaux, France), 2000
- Program committee chair of conferences Shape Modeling International '97 and '99 (Japan)
- Program committee co-chair of CSG'98 "Set-theoretic Solid Modeling: Techniques and Applications" (UK)
- Guest editor of International Journal of Shape Modeling, 1997 and 1999
- Editorial board member of Computer Graphics and Geometry journal

Alexander Pasko received the following international awards:

- Bronze Prize of Computer Graphics Grand Prix in STEC (Tokyo, Japan, 1996)
- Best WWW Award Eurographics'96 (Poitiers, France, 1996)
- Prize of Dream Centenary CG Grand Prix (Aizu-Wakamatsu, Japan, 1999).

Geometric images are probably the eldest product of the human brain. In modern logically-oriented life it is extremely important to keep and develop this ability. I am convinced that outstanding achievements in science and technology can only be attained in the balance of logic and geometric reasoning.

There are many ways of modeling geometry by means of computer. In research with my colleagues and students we try to find an approach dealing with geometric objects in the most simple and uniform style. Thus, function representation (F-rep) of geometric objects has been introduced with set-theoretic operations based on the theory of R-functions developed by Russian mathematicians. This representation is independent of the space dimension. That is why time-dependent or animated objects can be described in the same manner, with time being considered as one of the coordinates of space-time. Many unusual geometric operations like blending, metamorphosis and even "hair growing" can be functionally described. Sometimes it seems that we now have "experimental geometry" by analogy with experimental physics, where new results usually have to be explained from the theoretical point of view. This becomes even more complex when dealing with volumetric and multidimensional models. By using more powerful parallel computers and by adding intellect to artificial actors we will get an instrument for future creative work in art and design, medicine and industry. Details on the research and software development can be found at

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Shape modeling is an interdisciplinary area composing theoretical and experimental results from mathematics, physics, computer graphics, computer-aided design, computer animation, and others fields. Shape modeling and mathematical simulation stand side by side, and one upholds the other. The heart of my work was solving applied problems of mathematical simulation. In general, I am interested in a problem of mathematical simulation which includes three main parts: mathematical model, numerical method and programming realization.

Now I am involved in a number of projects, such as Applications of genetic algorithms in shape modeling, Converting elevation contours to a grid, Java implementation of Turtle Graphics in 3-D, Designing client/server applications dealing with geometric modeling.

This projects has been initiated by previous investigations in the field of computer graphics, shape modeling and by recent advance in Java programming. Some of the motivation for this projects can be ascribed to general good sense and the recognition of the Java technology whose time has come. Java provides the right programming paradigm to make use of the distributed machines to speed up calculations. Designing client/server applications may lure students into writing very sophisticated programs, development of collaborative Internet-based computer graphics and shape modeling applications.

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