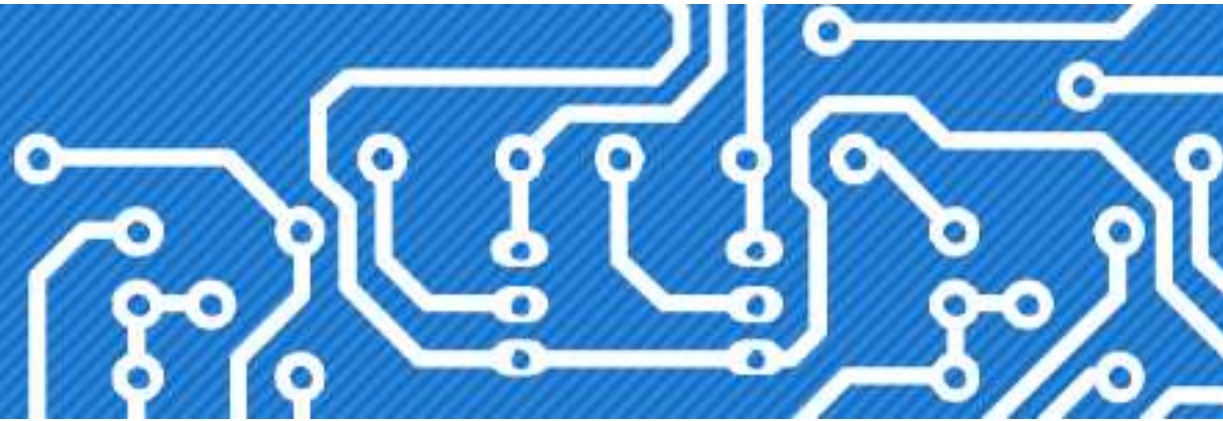


International Symposium on Physical Design



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Virtual Conference



ISPD 2021 Session Chair Meeting

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Agenda

- Symposium logistics and preparation before the conference
- What to do before and in your session
- Summary of the sessions
- Discussion and further questions

Symposium Logistics

- 13 sessions across 3 days (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday)
- Starts each day at 7:00am PDT (15:00 CET, 22:00 China/Taiwan)
- First session of each day is a keynote, then paper sessions, in Zoom.
- Last session Monday & Tuesday is a social gathering in gather.town
- Presentations will be on YouTube, except for keynotes
- Slide PDFs will be available at www.ispd.cc/?page=program
- Papers will be in the ACM Digital Library
www.sigda.org/publications/ispd-2021-toc/

Session Logistics

- **Paper sessions:**
 - Session chair introduces the session topic and themselves
 - Session chair introduces each speaker with their bio, maximum of 1 minute
 - Prerecorded videos of the talks will be played by Dave or Stephen
 - Budget one extra minute for transitions between speakers
 - Questions and answers (Q&A) will be at the end of the session in a panel style
- **Session 9:** 20 min live presentations with about 4 min Q&A per speaker
- **Keynotes:** 35 to 45 min presentation, followed by Q&A
- 15 minute breaks between sessions

- By default when joining in Zoom, microphones will be off to reduce background noise and cameras are off to reduce bandwidth needed

Preparation before the conference

- Check your audio and video quality
- Have you received the bios from the speakers in your session?
 - If not, please email them & CC stephen1107@gmail.com
- Review your session's talks, and have 2 to 3 questions prepared for each speaker in case the audience is slow to ask questions
- Review session chair instructions www.ispd.cc/?page=chairs, and in particular what is in your session

Before your session

- Join the meeting 15 minutes before your session starts
- Check all speakers are there
- Turn on your microphone & camera and check them, and ask the speakers to do so too if speaking live or for Q&A
- Please use your full name in Zoom
- Have either Zoom or gather.town running, not both – otherwise there will be conflict on audio/camera

In your session

- Start your session on time.
- Announce the session has started, introduce yourself, and communicate the schedule.
- Invite people to ask questions in the Zoom chat
- Introduce each speaker (maximum 1 minute) then ask for the video to be played, or for the speaker to start if it is live.
- After the talks are done, open Q&A, and guide the questions
- Check the Zoom chat for questions – read these aloud for audience
- Finish the session on time.

Example session opening

- Hi everybody. Please mute your microphones.
- Welcome to the first session on machine learning.
- My name is David Chinnery. I'm an architect in the place-and-route optimization team at Siemens EDA.
- We'll have three speakers. I will introduce each of them, followed by a 5 minute presentation of their paper.
- At the end, we'll have about 20 minutes of Q&A.
Please type in any questions as we go through the talks.
- Introduction for the first speaker ... please play the presentation ...

Session Summary: www.ispd.cc/?page=chairs

#	Session Name	Place	Session Chair	Length	Day	When	Format
1	Opening + First Keynote	Zoom	Jens Lienig	60 min	Mon	7:00 - 8:00am	5 min welcome + 45 min video + 5 min Q&A
2	Machine Learning 1	Zoom	Jiang Hu	45 min	Mon	8:15 - 9:00am	5 min video x3 + 20 min Q&A
3	Advances in Placement	Zoom	Joe Shinnerl	45 min	Mon	9:15 - 10:00am	5 min video x4 + 12 min Q&A
4	Placement Retrospective	Zoom	Igor Markov	45 min	Mon	10:15 - 11:00am	5 min video x5 + 10 min Q&A
5	Discussion on Placement	Zoom	Patrick Madden	90 min	Mon	11:00 - 12:30pm	Zoom panel discussion then chat in gather.town
6	Second Keynote	Zoom	Ismail Bustany	60 min	Tues	7:00 - 8:00am	5 min Session 5 summary + 45 min live + 5 min Q&A
7	Machine Learning 2	Zoom	Siddhartha Nath	45 min	Tues	8:15 - 9:00am	5 min video x3 + 20 min Q&A
8	3D and Packaging	Zoom	Bill Swartz	45 min	Tues	9:15 - 10:00am	5 min video x4 + 12 min Q&A
9	Brains, Computers & EDA	Zoom	Patrick Groeneveld	75 min	Tues	10:15 - 11:30am	20 min live x3 + 10 min Q&A
10	Lifetime Achievement	gather.town	Marilyn Wolf	90 min	Tues	11:30 - 1:00pm	30 minutes of toasts + 60 min talking
11	Third Keynote	Zoom	Iris Hui-Ru Jiang	60 min	Wed	7:00 - 8:00am	5 min best paper announcement + 45 min live + 5 min Q&A
12	Advanced Technology	Zoom	Meghna Mankalale	45 min	Wed	8:15 - 9:00am	5 min video x3 + 20 min Q&A
13	Contest Results	Zoom	Gracieli Posser	45 min	Wed	9:15 - 10:00am	15 min video + team videos 3 min x5 + 10 min Q&A

Time available for Q&A is a rough estimate, as some talks will be a little shorter or longer than the allotted time.

Thank you all!