Call for Papers

2007 Genetic and Evolutionary Computation Conference

July 7-11, 2007 (Saturday-Wednesday), University College London, London UK (pending ACM approval)

Largest Conference in the Field of Genetic and Evolutionary Computation

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One Conference - Many Mini-Conferences



The Genetic and Evolutionary Computation Conference (GECCO-2007) will present the latest high-quality results in the growing field of genetic and evolutionary computation. Topics include: genetic algorithms, genetic programming, evolution strategies, evolutionary

programming, real-world applications, learning classifier systems and other genetics-based machine learning, evolvable hardware, artificial life, adaptive behavior, ant colony optimization, swarm intelligence, biological applications, evolutionary robotics, coevolution, artificial immune systems, and more.

Program Tracks: Three days of presentations in 14 separate and independent program tracks specializing in various aspects of genetic and evolutionary computation. Proceedings will be published and distributed to all registered attendees.

Free Tutorials and Workshops: Two days of free tutorials and workshops (included with conference registration) presented by some of the world's foremost experts in topics of interest to genetic and evolutionary computation researchers and practitioners.

Review Process

Each paper submitted to GECCO will be rigorously reviewed, in a double-blind review process, meaning that reviewers should not be able to infer the identities of the authors of the papers under review, and, of course, that authors will not know the identities of their reviewers. One of at least 14 separate and independent program committees specializing in various aspects of genetic and evolutionary computation review submitted papers. These committees make their own final decisions on submitted papers for their areas, subject only to conference-wide space limitations and procedures. Review criteria includes significance of the work, novelty, clarity, writing quality, and sufficiency of information to permit replication, if applicable.

GECCO notifies the first-named author (or other corresponding author designated by the authors at submission) of acceptance or rejection on March 14, 2007.

How to Submit a Paper

Meet the Submission Deadline: The deadline for **ARRIVAL** of submissions is Wednesday, January 17, 2007.

Submit substantially new work: The material in a paper must represent substantially new work that has not been previously published by conferences, journals, or edited books in the genetic and evolutionary computation field. GECCO allows submissions of material that is substantially similar to a paper being submitted contemporaneously for review in another conference. However, if the submitted paper is accepted by GECCO, the authors agree that substantially the same material will not be published by another conference in the evolutionary computation field. Material may be later revised and submitted to a journal, if permitted by the journal.

Visit www.sigevo.org/gecco-2007 for detailed instructions, including categories, keywords, and formatting requirements. Be sure to check the web page for changes that may appear as the paper submission deadline approaches.

Accept author agreement: By submitting a paper, the author(s) agree that, if their paper is accepted, they will:

- Submit a final, revised, camera-ready version by the deadline for camera-ready papers:
 Wednesday, April 11, 2007
- Register at least one author to attend the conference By the deadline for cameraready papers,



- Attend the conference (at least one author)
- Present the accepted paper at the conference



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Keynote 9 July: Professors Richard Dawkins, Lewis Wolpert, and Steve Jones

Richard Dawkins, Lewis Wolpert and Steve Jones will take part in a public debate on the evening of 9 July, discussing the emergence of complexity in evolution. This will be a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to hear and interact with some of the most famous names in evolutionary biology.



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Ant Colony Optimization, Swarm Intelligence, and Artificial Immune

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Introductory

Genetic Algorithms Erik Goodman Genetic Programming John Koza **Evolution Strategies** Thomas Bäck A Unified Approach to EC Kenneth De Jong Ant Colony Optimization Christian Blum Learning Classifier Systems Tim Kovacs Probabilistic Model-Building GAs Martin Pelikan **Grammatical Evolution** Conor Ryan Edwin de Jong, Coevolution

Kenneth Stanley, Paul Wiegand

Advanced

Jonathan Rowe **GA Theory GP Theory** Riccardo Poli. Bill Langdon Representations Franz Rothlauf Darrell Whitley No Free Lunch

Jason Moore **Bioinformatics Human Competitive Results** John Koza

Evolutionary Multiobjective Optimization

Industrial Evolutionary Computing Arthur Kordon,

Guido Smits, Mark Kotanchek Constraint

Handling Techniques Used with EAs Statistics for EC Coevolution

Evolutionary Practical Optimization

Specialized Techniques and Applications

Experimental Research in EC

Symbolic Regression in GP **Evolving Neural Networks** Quantum Computing

Mike Preuss.

Thomas Bartz-Beielstein Maarten Keijzer Risto Miikulainen Lee Spector

Carlos Coello Coello

Mark Wineberg

Sevan Ficici,

Anthony Bucci

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To Propose a Tutorial or Workshop

To propose a tutorial, contact Anikó Ekárt at ekarta@aston.ac.uk. To propose a workshop, contact Tina Yu at tinayu@cs.mun.ca. Please include "GECCO" in your subject line.

More Information

Visit www.sigevo.org/gecco-2007 for about electronic submission procedures, formatting details, student travel grants,, the latest list of tutorials and workshop, late-breaking papers, and more.

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