

Editor's Notes

For this, the last *SIGMOD Record* of the millennium, we have put together a small but carefully chosen set of reports and papers that I think is indicative of what the editorial board has been trying to do with the journal. In addition to the submitted articles and the ever popular Influential Papers and Standards sections, we have reports on two recent international research meetings, an Industry Perspectives paper describing a benchmark for financial applications, an experiences paper examining the extent to which current database systems do or do not support computational science applications, and a succinct survey of logical models for OLAP. This issue also marks the initiation of the Database Principles section edited by Leonid Libkin. The goal of this new section is to help bridge the gap between theoretical and systems-oriented database research, and it is off to a strong start with an excellent paper by Serge Abiteboul on views and XML.

I'd also like to point out a new policy for the Influential Papers section that Ken Ross has instituted. In addition to asking specific people to contribute to the section as has been done in the past, Ken has also invited readers to send in their own reminiscences. Please see Ken's introduction to the section for more details.

Finally, as part of our efforts to have past and future issues of *SIGMOD Record* included in the tremendously valuable *SIGMOD Anthology* collection, we need to clarify the intellectual property issues associated with publishing in the *Record*. I have attached the policy on ACM SIG publications below. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about the rights to a past or future contribution to *SIGMOD Record*.

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