

Minutes of the Meeting of the IEEE Information Theory Society Student Committee

Meeting on June 2, 2008 at Penn State University (during the First Annual School of Information Theory)

Meeting minutes by Brooke Shrader

Attendees: See list on the next page

1. Meeting started at about 6:30pm.
2. Aylin Yener, Brooke Shrader, and Lalitha Sankar provided an overview of past student events and initiatives and invited input from attendees.
3. There was a suggestion to strengthen the web presence by providing online discussion forums for students to discuss technical topics. It was decided that a full rollout of discussion forums would need to wait until after the committee and the Information Theory Society completed the transition to a Plone-based website. Meanwhile, trial discussion forums may be setup on the current committee site to test out this idea. These efforts will be led by Matthieu Bloch, with help from Vahid Pourahmadi, Hamid Saeedi, Hamid Behroozi, Demijan Klinc, and Arunkumar Subramanian.
4. There was a suggestion for a new form of student event that entails presentations by graduating students to aid in their job seeking process. The emphasis was on providing an opportunity for *all* interested students to present their work. Senior members in attendance suggested that this would not be feasible due to the already-crowded schedule at conferences such as ISIT. More thought will be given to how we can accomplish this.
5. Volunteers for the Roundtable Research Discussion at ISIT 2008 were solicited.
6. Meeting adjourned at about 7:30pm.

Next meeting: ISIT

Attendee List:

Benjamin	Kelly	Cornell University
Matthieu	Bloch	Georgia Institute of Technology
Alex	Dimakis	University of California Berkeley
Xiang	He	Penn State University
David	Hou	University of Toronto
Seyed M. Sadegh	Tabatabaei Yazdi	Texas A&M University
Yang	Weng	University of Illinois at Chicago
Bike	Xie	University of California Los Angeles
Hamid	Behroozi	Queen's University
Vahid	Pourahmadi	University of Waterloo
Arunkumar	Subramanian	Georgia Institute of Technology
Debashis	Dash	Rice University
Jae Won	Yoo	Texas A&M University
Changchuan	Yin	Texas A&M University
Mohammad Asad Rehman	Chaudhry	Texas A&M University
Demijan	Klinc	Georgia Institute of Technology
Oliver	Kosut	Cornell University
Ertugrul	Ciftcioglu	Penn State University
Pulkit	Grover	University of California Berkeley
Krishnan	Eswaran	University of California Berkeley
Bobak	Nazer	University of California Berkeley
Ye	Tian	Penn State University
Min	Chen	Penn State University
Hung	Ly	Texas A&M University
Awlok	Josan	University of Michigan
Matthew	Reyes	University of Michigan
N. Prasanth	Anthapadmanabhan	University of Maryland College Park
Sirin	Nitinawarat	University of Maryland College Park
Hamid	Saeedi	Carleton University
Salim	EIRouayheb	Texas A&M University
Deniz	Gunduz	Princeton University/Stanford University
Ravi	Tandon	University of Maryland College Park
Himanshu	Tyagi	University of Maryland College Park
Mehmet E.	Yildiz	Cornell University
Brooke	Shrader	University of Maryland College Park
Lalitha	Sankar	Princeton University
Aylin	Yener	Penn State University
Gerhard	Kramer	Bell Labs Alcatel-Lucent