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Invitation

CWI Lectures in Mathematics and Computer Science 2010

Data Intensive Research

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A Fourth Paradigm (J. Gray) is emerging. The data-centric setting requires a new look at computing architectures, algorithms and strategies to exploit the accumulation of data in social networks, Internet archives, physical sciences and genomics. We are soon dealing with Petabytes if not Exabytes of data to harvest information from.

The opportunities for large scale text analysis is discussed by Hector Garcia-Molina, who brings experience in the analysis of large web archives and the challenges scalability poses for domain specific information extraction. He will survey the research issues on entity-resolution at a world scale.

Data intensive research in numerical data is discussed by Alex Szalay. He brings experience in the development of the pivotal Sloane Digital Skyserver, which enables data intensive research in astronomy. He will explore the consequences and lessons learned for eScience research at large, including the fusion with computational science simulations.

Stratos Idreos and Daan Crommeling complete the grand visions with concrete data intensive research in database architectures and modelling at CWI.

Speakers:

- **Hector Garcia-Molina** is professor at the Department of Computer Science and Electrical Engineering at Stanford University (USA). He is author of over 370 papers on distributed databases, digital libraries and social networks. His current interest is to push the technology for knowledge extraction at Internet scale.

- **Alex Szalay** is the Alumni Centennial Professor of Astronomy and Computer Science at the Johns Hopkins University. He is a cosmologist, working on the statistical measures of the spatial distribution of galaxies and galaxy formation. He has written over 450 papers, covering areas from theoretical cosmology to observational astronomy, spatial statistics and computer science.

- **Stratos Idreos** is a tenure track researcher in the Information Systems Department at CWI. His interests are algorithms for adaptive database architectures.

- **Daan Crommelin** is a researcher in the Dynamical Systems and Numerical Analysis group at CWI. His research focuses on stochastic methods for multiscale systems estimation of stochastic-dynamical models from data and applications in atmosphere-ocean science.

Program

- 13.25 Welcome by Martin Kersten
- 13.30 **Hector Garcia-Molina**
Entity Resolution: Identifying Real-World Entities in Large Data Sets
- 14.15 **Stratos Idreos**
Database Cracking: Towards Auto-tuning Database Kernels
- 14.40 Break
- 15.00 **Alex Szalay**
Amdahl's Laws and Extreme Data Intensive Computing
- 15.45 **Daan Crommelin**
Blending Data with Models in Climate Science
- 16.10 Wrapup by Jan Karel Lenstra
- 16.15 Drinks

You are cordially invited!

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