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Electronic Council Meeting January 4, 2007

The Council approved funding for FY2007 (ending June 30, 2007) for up to \$15K for the implementation of the administrative assistance proposal. IMS Executive Committee has approved the proposal and redistribution of funds.

Background: The IMS Council approved the FY2007 (July 1, 2006-June 30, 2007) budget at its August 2006 meeting, with \$150K from the reserve (deficit) for additional programming. At this point, we expect some of these will run under budget. For example, the \$35K allocated for the salary of an IT Project Manager is expected to run below budget by approximately \$18K for FY2007. We'd like to reallocate the unused funds from the 2007 budget to this proposal, thereby we do not expect to increase the IMS budgeted expenses for FY2007.

Electronic Council Meeting January 15, 2007

The Council approved the appointment of Jon Wellner as IMS Executive Editor of Statistics Surveys as recommended by the Committee to Select Editors.

Electronic Council Meeting January 29, 2007

The Council approved the recommendation of the Travel Awards Committee to name Samuel Kou as the 2007 Tweedie Award Recipient.

Electronic Council Meeting February 12, 2007

The Council agreed to provide a reduced organizational membership rates for those in designated countries per the IMS approved list. As with reduced rates for individuals, this reduced rate will be set at 40% of the regular rate. In 2007, the reduced rate for organizational membership will be \$60.

Electronic Council Meeting February 27, 2007

The Council agreed to suspend IMS members who did not renew their dues for 2006. Those who renew their dues will be reinstated.

Electronic Council Meeting March 23, 2007

The Council approved the Guidelines for Affiliated and Supported journals as they appear here:

1. Guidelines for IMS Affiliated Journals:

Goals of Journal Affiliation:

- To encourage independent, non-profit journal development in the field of probability

and statistics.

- To provide the affiliated journal increased visibility, especially to IMS members and visitors to the IMS website.
- To allow listing and aggregation of content from a variety of sources thus providing the IMS a more interesting web portal.
- To generate goodwill towards IMS and increased IMS membership in the community supporting the IMS affiliated journal.

Requirements:

- The journal's focus should be of interest to some segment of IMS membership. As well as journals covering major branches of probability and statistics, niche journals specializing in any of the following fields would be appropriate: applied probability and operations research, queuing theory, mathematical finance, statistical genomics, machine learning, Bayesian statistics, statistical software, statistical physics,
- The journal must be controlled by a non-profit entity.
- The journal can be available in electronic, print or both.
- Journal articles must be peer-reviewed.
- The journal must have good editorial standards, both for its scientific content and for the technical quality of publication (whether in print or electronically)
- The journal should provide a mission statement suitable for display on the IMS website.
- The journal should provide and maintain contact information for email correspondence with IMS.

Agreement Terms:

- The IMS will not take any editorial, organizational or financial responsibilities for the journal.
- The journal and its web site will display the IMS logo with the following language: "Affiliated with the Institute of Mathematical Statistics."
- The IMS will list the journal on its web site under the heading of [Affiliated Journals](#)
- Affiliations will be non-exclusive: IMS affiliated journals may have affiliation relationships or sponsorship agreements with other societies.
- While the controlling entity may obtain copyright of articles, IMS expects the journal copyright agreement to be similar to the IMS copyright agreement with respect to the right of authors to publicly archive pre- and post-prints.
- Either party may terminate the affiliation at any time.

IMS Procedures:

- A subcommittee of the IMS Council consisting of 6 people (2 from each Council class) to be called the Affiliated Journals Committee, will be required to review and approve proposals for journal affiliation.
- These guidelines will be posted on the web, with instructions for how a non-profit organization should apply to IMS to affiliate an existing or proposed journal.

Guidelines for IMS Supported Journals:

Goals of IMS Support:

- To encourage non-profit and/or societal journals to remain fully non-profit and autonomous.
- To assist such journals to raise their technical standard of production and distribution

- To support the organizations which produce these journals
- To provide a unified approach to resist the current trend toward commercialization of scholarly communication.
- To allow the IMS and other non-profit/societal journals to compete with commercial journals by provision of joint marketing opportunities.

Types of Business Relationships:

The IMS may provide an existing or potential journal with production, administration, hosting, marketing and archiving services. Any selection of these services might be arranged.

Requirements:

- The journal's focus should be of interest to some segment of IMS membership. As well as journals covering major branches of probability and statistics, niche journals specializing in any of the following fields would be appropriate: applied probability and operations research, queuing theory, mathematical finance, statistical genomics, machine learning, Bayesian statistics, statistical software, statistical physics,
- The journal must be owned or controlled by a non-profit entity.
- The journal can be available in electronic, print or both forms.
- Journal articles must be peer-reviewed.
- The journal must have good editorial standards, both for its scientific content and for the technical quality of publication (whether in print or electronically)

Agreement Terms:

- The IMS will not take any editorial responsibilities with respect to the journal.
- The IMS will work to, at a minimum, cover its administrative expenses for any financial relationship. The IMS may take a percentage of the revenue as a profit to support our non-profit mission.
- While the controlling entity may obtain copyright of articles, IMS expects the journal copyright agreement to be similar to the IMS copyright agreement with respect to the right of authors to publicly archive pre- and post-prints.
- The journal will acknowledge in the journal and on its website the the IMS role in its production and distribution
- The IMS will list the journal on its web site [near here](#) as an IMS Supported Journal.
- Either party may terminate the agreement with six month's written notice.

IMS Procedures:

- Because the development of relationships with existing and potential journal producing organizations typically involves delicate and confidential negotiations, the IMS Executive Committee will be empowered by the IMS Council to handle all aspects of such journal development, including initiation of contact and negotiation of an appropriate business agreement.
- These guidelines will be posted on the web, with instructions for how a non-profit organization should apply to IMS for support of an existing or proposed journal.

Electronic Council Meeting April 17, 2007

The Council approved the slate of Fellows as presented by the 2007 IMS Committee on Fellows.

Chen, Kani

Chen, Ming-Hui

Chen, Zhen-Qing

Cheng, Ming-Yen
Follmer, Hans
Hickernell, Fred J.
Hosoya, Yuzo
Hu, Inchi
Kosorok, Michael Rene
Lahiri, Partha
Li, Bing
Li Gang
Lin, Xihong
Linton, Oliver
Loh, Wei-Liem
Ma, Zhi-Ming
Raftery, Adrian E.
Regazzini, Eugenio
Sarkar, Sanat K.
Silverstein, Jack William
Vitale Richard A.
Wand, Matthew Paul
Zhao, Hongyu

Electronic Council Meeting May 5, 2007

The Council approved the slate of 2008 Named Lectures as proposed by the IMS Committee on Special Lectures.

Report: Due to time constraints (the 2008 Annual Meeting requires these names ASAP), the Committee on Special Lectures is submitting a preliminary report with the proposed Named Lectures for approval immediately. A full report will be provided that includes proposed Medallion Lectures and committee details once all committee work is completed. The Committee and Program Chair for the 2008 Annual Meeting appreciate the exception in this case, so as not to delay further planning of the meeting.

The 2006-07 Committee was charged with selecting:

- One Wald Lecturer (for 2008)
- One Neyman Lecturer (for 2008)
- Eight Medallion Lecturers (for 2009)

Proposed Named Lecturers:

WALD Lecturer: Richard Durrett

NEYMAN Lecturer: Peter McCullagh

Electronic Council Meeting May 22, 2007

The Council approved the proposed institutional rates for 2008 as approved by the IMS Executive Committee.

Electronic Council Meeting June 4, 2007

The Council approved the slate of 2009 Medallion Lectures as proposed by the IMS Committee on Special Lectures.

Report: The SL Committee just finished its work regarding the selection of Medallion Lecturers.

Here is the list of eight Medallion Lecturers, together with the names of their back-ups (alternatives); with the abbreviations TP=theoretical probability, AP=applied probability, TS=theoretical statistics, AS= applied statistics, I=interdisciplinary:

Gordon Slade (TP),
 Claudia Kluppelberg (AP),
 Gareth Roberts (AP),
 Tony Cai (TS),
 David Madigan (AS),
 Peter Buhlmann (I),
 Gabor Lugosi (I),
 Sam Kou (I),

For the assignments to meetings/sessions the Committee proposes:

1. JSM 2009/IMS Annual Meeting (Washington, DC, Aug 2-6): TONY CAI (TS), PETER BUHLMANN (I), GABOR LUGOSI (I), GARETH ROBERTS (AP)
2. ENAR 2009 (San Antonio, TX, March 15-18): SAM KOU (I)
3. WNAR 2009 (TBA, end of June): DAVID MADIGAN (AS)
4. SPA 2009 (Berlin, Germany, July 27-31): GORDON SLADE (TP), CLAUDIA KLUPPELBERG (AP)

Electronic Council Meeting June 25, 2007

Council approved the creation of a Doob Lecture co-sponsored by the IMS and the Bernoulli Society commencing at the 2012 World Congress.

Background: This is a proposal to BS and IMS for a quadrennial Doob Lecture sponsored by the Illinois Journal of Mathematics to be delivered at the World Congresses in Probability and Statistics. The proposal is supported by both IMS and Bernoulli presidents.

Joseph Doob (1910 – 2004) was one of the founders of the Illinois Journal of Mathematics (IJM) and was instrumental in getting the journal started. To mark the 50th anniversary of the founding of the IJM and to honor the mathematical contributions of Doob, the IJM published last year a special volume of articles dedicated to Doob's memory.

IJM proposes to further honor Doob, on an ongoing basis, by sponsoring a Doob Lecture, to be given at the quadrennial World Congresses in Probability and Statistics, commencing with the World Congress in 2012 and extending into the foreseeable future. The Doob Lecture will be a joint IMS-Bernoulli Society lecture and the lecturer will be selected by the program committee (or a subcommittee to choose invited speakers) for the World Congress.

IJM will pay the Doob Lecturer up to \$1500 in expenses. In return, the Doob Lecturer is invited and strongly encouraged to contribute a paper, based on the lecture, to the IJM. The paper may be a survey paper, an original research paper, or a combination of the two.

IJM and IMS-BS each reserve the right to terminate this agreement with 2 years notice.

Electronic Council Meeting June 25, 2007

The Council created two new categories of societal relationships, supported and affiliated, based on the following guidelines.

Guidelines for IMS Supported Societies:

Goals of IMS Support:

- To assist non-profit organizations in probability and statistics and neighboring fields with infrastructure and development.
- To provide growth potential for IMS membership and IMS Groups via relationships with other non-profit organizations.

Types of Business Relationships:

The IMS may provide an existing or potential organization with administrative infrastructure, database management, discounted membership rates, and web site development. Any selection of these services might be arranged.

Requirements:

- The organization's focus should be of interest to some segment of IMS membership.
- The organization must become an IMS Group and an IMS Organizational Member (both provided at no cost).

Agreement Terms:

- Governance of the organization will be managed exclusively by the organization.
- The IMS will work to, at a minimum, cover its administrative expenses for any financial relationship. The IMS may take a percentage of the revenue as a profit to support our non-profit mission.
- The supported organization will acknowledge in its print documents and on its website the relationship with the IMS.
- The IMS will list the organization on its web site on a page devoted to supported and affiliated organizations.
- Either party may terminate the agreement with six month's written notice.

IMS Procedures:

- Because the development of relationships with existing and potential organizations typically involves delicate and confidential negotiations, the IMS Executive Committee will be empowered by the IMS Council to handle all aspects of such development, including initiation of contact and negotiation of an appropriate business agreement.
- The IMS should appoint a liaison to the affiliated society to help propose and develop activities of mutual benefit, such as conferences and publications.
- These guidelines will be posted on the web, with instructions for how a non-profit organization should apply to IMS for support of an existing or proposed society.

Guidelines for IMS Affiliated Societies:

Goals:

- To encourage the cooperation of non-profit organizations in probability and statistics and neighboring fields.

Some benefits to affiliated organizations:

- increased visibility of activities, such as conferences and publications,
- association with a network of societies which share the mission of fostering development and dissemination of the theory, computation and application of statistics and probability,

- privileged access to IMS web infrastructure as it develops.

Some benefits to IMS:

- increased visibility of IMS in region-specific and subject-specific communities,
- growth of IMS membership, both individual and organizational,
- inspiration for IMS Groups.

Potential benefits to the community:

- increased coherence of the community of scholarly societies in probability and statistics, through better communication and cooperation on activities such as conference organization, journal production, and development of a professional web of information.

Requirements:

- The organization's focus is of interest to some segment of IMS membership.
- The organization provides contact information and a mission statement suitable for display on the IMS website.

Agreement Terms:

- The IMS will not take any governance, organizational or financial responsibilities for the organization.
- The organization and its web site will display the IMS-logo together with: "Affiliated with the Institute of Mathematical Statistics."
- The IMS will list the organization on its web site as an affiliated organization.
- Affiliations will be non-exclusive: IMS affiliated organizations may have affiliations or sponsorship agreements with other organizations.
- Either party may terminate the affiliation at any time.

IMS Procedures:

- A subcommittee of the IMS Council to be called the Affiliated Organizations Committee, will be required to review and approve proposals for affiliation.
- The IMS appoints a liaison to the affiliated society to help propose and develop activities of mutual benefit, such as conferences and publications.
- These guidelines will be posted on the web, with instructions for how to apply for becoming affiliated with the IMS.

Electronic Council Meeting July 10, 2007

The Council approved the appointment of David Madigan as Executive Editor of Statistical Science as recommended by the Committee to Select Editors.

Electronic Council Meeting July 17, 2007

The Council approved the appointment of Rong Chen as IMS Treasurer (September 1, 2007-August 2010) as recommended by the Committee to Select Administrative Officers.

Council Meeting I, July 29, 2007

- The Council approved the creation of ongoing IMS sponsored Asia and Pacific-Rim Meetings (IMS-APRM) to cover all countries and regions in Asia and the Pacific-Rim. The meeting will initially occur every two years, but can be adjusted based on demand. IMS

will form a standing committee on the IMS Asia and Pacific Rim meetings to appoint chairs and select locations. The meetings may be run jointly with other societies.

- The Council directed the Committee on Special Lectures to include in its selections of Medallion Lecturers at least two people in probability; at least two people in statistics and additionally at least one person in interdisciplinary.

Council Meeting II, August 1, 2007

- The Council approved the appointment of Stefano Iacus as CIS Database Editor, for the term January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2010 as recommended by the CIS Management Committee.
- The Council approved the extension of George Styan's term as Abstracting Editor for one year, to December 31, 2008 as recommended by the CIS Management Committee.
- The Council approved a reconstitution of the Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics (JCGS) and the Current Index to Statistics (CIS) joint arrangements with the American Statistical Association (ASA) with the following stipulations:
 1. Both joint publications will continue to be co-sponsored by both the IMS and the ASA and in the case of JCGS it will continue co-sponsorship with the Interface Foundation as well.
 2. Both publications will continue to have a joint committee that will handle the scientific issues of the publication.
 3. The current joint fiscal, legal and technical management of both publications will be dissolved and each society will be returned its investment in the joint venture.
 4. IMS will take over fiscal, legal and technical management of CIS and ASA will take over fiscal, legal and technical management of JCGS.
 5. Members of both societies will be provided free electronic access to both publications.
 6. The IMS Executive Committee is given the power to further negotiate the final details of these new contracts.
- The Council approved the formation of IMS China as a committee of the IMS with the following stipulations:
 1. The Ad Hoc IMS China Setup Committee will complete the set up of IMS China and then dissolve itself.
 2. Original procedures and any amendments for IMS China must be approved by the IMS Council.
 3. IMS China will be governed by an Executive Committee (EC) and Board of Directors (BD).
 4. The first IMS China EC and BD will be appointed by the Ad Hoc IMS China Setup Committee and approved by IMS President to serve a two-year term. From the third year, the officers of IMS China will be elected according to the by-laws of IMS China.
 5. The IMS President will appoint one voting member of the IMS China Committee.
 6. The IMS China membership will be initially limited to members residing in mainland China.
 7. IMS will encourage strategic alliances with the probability and statistics profession in mainland China.
 8. The IMS China members will be full IMS members and enjoy the full rights and benefits of the IMS members. All membership data collected on IMS China members will be transferred to the IMS.
 9. The membership dues paid by IMS China members will be deposited into a special

account maintained in China and in Chinese currency. Policy regarding disbursement of funds from this account to the IMS must be approved by the IMS Executive Committee prior to the official establishment of IMS China.

10. An annual report from the IMS China Committee must be provided to the IMS Council. This report should include reporting of its fiscal status.

11. After five years, the IMS will conduct a sunset review of IMS China.

12. IMS China is expected to start its preparation this year immediately following the approval of the IMS Council.

- The Council agreed to increase regular dues to \$95 for 2008.
- The Council approved the FY2008 budget.
- The Council passed the following advisory motion: Council shall establish an expense target relative to revenues. The Council recommends that starting in FY2009 an attempt be made to prevent expenses from exceeding revenue exclusive of return on investments (RERI) by more than 4% of the investment portfolio.
- The Council agreed that on the IMS Council, and on all IMS committees, the chair will not initially vote on any matter, but will have a casting vote in the event of an equality of votes.
- The Council thanked Paul Shaman for his years of dedication as the Managing Editor of Statistics.
- The Council agreed to allow Jim Pitman to pursue a cooperative agreement between IMS and Google to allow for an information exchange between the parties. The agreement should have zero cash flow.

Electronic Council Meeting October 4, 2007

Council approved the appointment of Michael Phelan as Managing Editor, Statistics (January 1, 2008-December 31, 2009) as proposed by the Committee to Select Administrative Officers.

Background: Michael has served as the ME, Probability since 2001. This appointment would have him performing ME jobs for both Statistics and Probability. Over the last several years as IMS has moved to purely electronic journal production system, the role of the ME has evolved. There is less demand on the position while at the same time the work needed lends to being managed by one person to create efficient work flows. Before officially changing our two person system to one person, a trial period is suggested where Michael serves in both roles. If it does not work, then we can easily revert back to two persons. We can then revisit the model in 2009 when Michael's term for ME, Probability is set to expire. The statistics journal editors have agreed that this is the most efficient model.

As with any Council member, there is only one vote allowed per person for voting. This will apply to Michael in this dual role.

Electronic Council Meeting October 18, 2007

Council approved the following rates for Current Index to Statistics for 2008. All rates reflect ~5% increase.

Commercial \$840

General \$462

University \$284

Four-Station \$141

Non-Member Individual \$69

Background: IMS takes over control of CIS effective January 1, 2008. Changes to CIS as discussed at the Council meeting in August are still underway and will be implemented during 2008. A small increase is proposed in order to cover inflation.

Electronic Council Meeting October 29, 2007

Council approved the appointment of Anirban DasGupta as Editor of IMS Lecture Notes – Monograph Series and IMS Collections as recommended by the Committee to Select Editors.

Electronic Council Meeting November 6, 2007

To approve the appointment of Xuming He as Editor of the IMS Bulletin as recommended by the Committee to Select Editors. His term will be January 1, 2008 – December 31, 2010.

Electronic Council Meeting November 19, 2007

The Council approved the appointment of Ofer Zeitouni as Editor of Annals of Probability and Yuval Peres as Editor of Annals of Applied Probability as recommended by the Committee to Select Editors.

Electronic Council Meeting December 1, 2007

1. The Council approved the spirit of the proposal submitted by Cambridge University Press to publish IMS Lecture Notes – Monograph Series and IMS Textbooks as recommended by the IMS Subcommittee on Textbooks.
2. The IMS Council grants authority to the IMS Executive Committee to finalize negotiations on the contract, including royalties and implementation strategy for the series.
3. The IMS Committee to Select Editors, will recommend to IMS Council a Textbook editor-in-chief and an editorial board of four editors (Statistics, Probability, Theory and Application) to begin on the new series immediately.
4. The current Lecture-Notes Monograph Series/Collections editor of the IMS will not be changed and this new agreement should not change the editor's overall role or responsibilities.

Electronic Council Meeting January 2, 2008

The Council approved the recommendation of the Travel Awards Committee to name Sourav Chatterjee as the 2008 Tweedie Award Recipient.

Electronic Council Meeting January 30, 2008

The Council suspended IMS members who did not renew their dues for 2007. Those who renew their dues will be reinstated.

Electronic Council Meeting February 15, 2008

The Council approved the IMS China Guidelines as follows:

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Institute of Mathematical Statistics (IMS) is to foster the development and dissemination of the theory and applications of statistics and probability.

IMS China (IMSC) promotes the participation of Chinese scholars in IMS activities.

2. Governance

IMSC shall be constituted as an affiliated and subordinated division of IMS; unless specifically approved by formal resolution of the IMS Council, IMSC shall take no action to establish itself as a separate legal entity under the laws of any jurisdiction. All tangible and intangible property of IMSC (including its name) is property of IMS. IMSC is governed by the [Constitutions and By-laws of the IMS](#) and the following guidelines specific to the IMSC. In case of any conflict between the IMSC guidelines and the Constitution or By-Laws of the IMS, those of the IMS shall apply, except for deviations approved by formal resolution of the IMS Council.

3. Membership

The IMSC membership is open to any individual of 18 years or older who resides legally in mainland China, agrees to abide the by-laws of the IMS and guidelines of the IMSC and pays the membership dues on annual basis. Any resident in other parts of China may join IMSC, if he/she wishes, through a regular IMS membership.

All IMSC members are individual members of the IMS and receive all rights of an IMS member. Mainland China refers to part of China where Renminbi is the only official currency.

4. Affiliations

The IMSC is a part of a non-profit organization that is not associated with any political party or religious association in China; however, the activities of the IMSC are subject to relevant and prevailing laws in the People's Republic of China.

Any member of the Chinese Society of Probability and Statistics (CSPS) may opt to pay a joint membership fee to become a member of the IMSC. The terms of the joint membership are negotiated between the CSPS and the IMSC, as approved by the IMS Council. Joint membership with other professional societies in China may be negotiated under the same principle.

5. Committee on IMSC

Decisions regarding IMSC are made in full by the Committee on IMS China (CIMSC). The CIMSC is a committee of the IMS and thereby must adhere to the Bylaws and Constitution of the IMS, and is subject to the authority of the IMS.

5.1 Committee Leadership

The CIMSC Leadership shall consist of the Chair, Chair-elect, Past Chair, Treasurer and Program Chair. One IMS member as appointed by the IMS President will serve as an ex-officio member of the CIMSC Leadership. In the initial stage, the position of Past Chair is filled by one person appointed by the IMS President.

5.2 Committee Members

The Committee consists of fifteen representatives from China, in addition to the leaders of the IMSC named in Section 5.1.

5.3 Election and Nomination

During the initial two years, the members and the executive members of the CIMSC are recommended by the ad hoc committee on IMS China and appointed by the IMS President. After the initial two years, all committee members and executive members will be elected by the IMSC membership to serve terms of two years.

Elections will take place every other year beginning in 2009. Elections will open on May 10 of an election year and close on June 25. Elected candidates will be notified of election by July 10. Their terms in the committee start August 15 of the following year, but the Chair-elect becomes an executive member effective August 15 of the same year.

The Chair, in consultation with the Past Chair, shall appoint a Nominating Committee before February 28 of an election year. The Nominating Committee normally consists of at least 7 members and nominates one candidate for Chair-elect, one candidate for Treasurer and one for Program Chair by April 30 of the election year. The candidates shall not be selected from the current CIMSC Leadership except for the posts of Treasurer and Program Chair. No one shall sit in the Leadership Committee consecutively for more than 5 years.

Among the valid votes, the Chair-elect candidate must receive a minimum of 50% to get elected. The candidate for Treasurer and the candidate for the Program Chair must receive a minimum of 25% of the valid votes to get elected. If a candidate does not receive the minimum required number of votes, a new candidate must be nominated by the Nomination Committee for a separate vote. The process repeats until all the IMSC Officers are elected. The Chair-elect will serve one year then move to the Chair position for two years and then to Past Chair for two years. The Treasurer and the Program Secretary will each serve two year terms.

The Nomination Committee should also nominate no fewer than 20 candidates for the CIMSC. At least half of candidates should not be the current members in the committee. The fifteen candidates who receive the largest number of votes are elected to the CIMSC for a two year term. In case of ties in the number of votes, a random tie breaking procedure will be followed. All nominees for the CIMSC must be IMSC members at the time of election.

5.4. Duties

All committee members are charged with protecting and promoting the IMSC, and with carrying out the IMSC policies. All terms of office start on August 1 of the calendar year following election to the position.

The CIMSC makes decisions on major initiatives and major activities of the IMSC. The Treasurer oversees the receipt and disbursement of all funds of the IMSC. The Program Chair arranges and coordinates all activities concerned with meetings of the IMSC. The IMSC is the designated local organizer for IMS regional meetings in China. The Program Chair will work with the IMS and local professional societies in China to coordinate conferences and workshops that are of interest to members of IMS.

5.5 Publications

IMSC has authority to develop publications, such as books, conference proceedings, news

bulletins, and journals, with editors appointed by the CIMSC. Such publications, while they might be produced and distributed primarily in China, possibly in Chinese, should also be available worldwide, subject to legal and technical standards of similar IMS publications, unless otherwise approved by IMS Council. Copyright in such publications would belong either to authors or to IMS.

6. Finance

The IMSC is primarily financed by membership dues and income from conferences and publications, and should be self-sufficient without debt. An IMSC account in the Chinese currency will be maintained in China, the account will list IMS as the owner, and the assets in the account will be IMS assets.

Part of the revenue will be used by the IMSC for its operating expenses, and the other part will be used at the discretion of the IMS Executive Committee to promote the IMS vision in China and elsewhere. The specific terms regarding the IMSC account should be proposed by the IMSC and approved by the IMS Executive Council on regular basis. The accounting practice of the IMSC will be subject to the financial rules and regulations for nonprofit organizations in the USA.

The IMSC does not hold any power to sign, and its officers and directors shall not sign, contracts on behalf of the IMS. If the IMSC wishes to have IMS enter into a contract, its officers shall submit the contract to IMS for review; IMS may thereafter enter into the contract in its sole discretion.

7. Changes to Guidelines and Dissolution

Changes to these guidelines must be approved by IMS Council. The IMS may decide to dissolve IMS China with 30 days written notice to the CIMSC.

8. Resolution of Disputes Within CIMSC and/or IMSC

In the event of any dispute arising between or among CIMSC, IMSC, or any member, officer or director of CIMSC or IMSC concerning the operation or governance of IMSC (including any dispute concerning the election of officers and directors as described in Item 5, above), the dispute shall be resolved by the IMS Council, and the determination of the IMS Council shall be binding upon the disputants.

Electronic Council Meeting April 2, 2008

Per the IMS Bylaws, the Council moves to remove the current Program Secretary from office due to incapacity. An appropriate successor will be found and brought before the Council for approval to fill the unexpired term.

Electronic Council Meeting April 16, 2008

The Council approved the slate of Fellows as presented by the 2008 IMS Committee on Fellows.

Agresti, Alan

Arcones, Miguel

Bayarri, María-Jésus

Bolthausen, Erwin

Chen, Xia
 James, Lancelot
 Jiang, Jimin
 Kaspi, Haya
 Koenker, Roger
 Krieger, Abba
 Le Gall, Francois
 Lin, Zhenyang
 Mallick, Bani K.
 Massam, Hélène
 Nobel, Andrew
 Peres, Yuval
 Van Keilegom, Ingrid

Electronic Council Meeting May 7, 2008

The Council TABLED a motion to rename named lectures as follows:

- Rename "Wald Lecture" as "Wald Medal" and its associated 3 lectures as "Wald Medal Lectures".
- Rename "Le Cam Lecture", "Rietz Lecture", and "Neyman lecture" as "Le Cam Award", "Rietz Award" and "Neyman Award" respectively, and their associated lectures as "Le Cam Award Lecture", "Rietz Award Lecture", "Neyman Award Lecture". The awards will be given out once every three year, the same frequency as the current lectures.
- Rename the "IMS Committee on Special Lectures" as "IMS Committee on Awards and Special Lectures".

The administration of these awards and lectures remain the same as the current one, except the change of the name of the committee.

Electronic Council Meeting May 15, 2008

The Council approved the appointment of Guenther Walther as IMS Program Secretary for the unexpired term of his predecessor. The term would be effective immediately and run through the Annual Meeting 2009.

Electronic Council Meeting May 28, 2008

The Council agreed to set the dues for IMS-China members at US\$0 for the remainder of 2008 and all of 2009. After 2009 appropriate dues will be billed to all IMS-China members.

Electronic Council Meeting June 5, 2008

The Council approved the slate of special lectures for 2009-2010 as recommended by the Committee to Select Editors.

1) Wald Lecturer (2009): Jerome Friedman (Stanford University, USA)

2) Le Cam Lecturer (2009): Aad van der Vaart (Vrije Universiteit, The Netherlands)

3) Medallion Lecturers (2010):

[S] STATISTICS

- Ed George, University of Pennsylvania, USA
- Xiao-Li Meng, Harvard University, USA

- Marie Davidian, North Carolina State University, USA
- [P] PROBABILITY
- Marek Biskup, University of California, Los Angeles, USA
 - Terence Lyons, University of Oxford, UK
 - Jonathan Taylor, Stanford University, USA
- [I] INTERDISCIPLINARY
- Hans Foellmer, Humboldt Universitat zu Berlin, Germany
 - Laurens de Haan, Erasmus University, Rotterdam, The Netherlands

By matching research areas of the selected medallion lecturers with the potential participants in the five meetings, the Committee recommends the following allocation of the selected medallion lecturers:

1. IMS 2010 Annual Meeting: 3 session
(August 2010, August 9-13, 2010, Gothenburg, Sweden)
Laurens de Haan (I), Hans Foellmer (I), Marek Biskup (P)
2. JSM 2010: 2 sessions
(August 1 – 5, 2010, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada)
Ed George (S), Xiao-Li Meng (S)
3. WNAR 2010: (TBA, end of June): 1 session
Jonathan Taylor (P)
4. ENAR 2010: (March 21-24, 2010, New Orleans, LA): 1 session
Marie Davidian (S)
5. SPA 2010 (Osaka, Japan, September 2010): 1 session
Terence Lyons (P)

Electronic Council Meeting June 16, 2008

The Council approved the proposed institutional rates for 2009 as proposed by the IMS Executive Committee.

Electronic Council Meeting July 1, 2008

The Council approved the dedication of journal issues as proposed by the Committee on Memorials as follows:

Joseph Doob: Annals of Probability
Leo Breiman: Annals of Applied Statistics

Council Meeting I, July 15, 2008

- IMS Council approved a motion put forward by the Committee on Fellows that Fellows Committee members are prohibited from writing letters of recommendation for nominees.
- Council tabled the following motion: To rename named lectures, Rename "Wald Lecture" as "Wald Medal" and its associated 3 lectures as "Wald Medal Lectures". Rename "Le Cam Lecture", "Rietz Lecture", and "Neyman lecture" as "Le Cam Award", "Rietz Award" and "Neyman Award" respectively, and their associated lectures as "Le Cam Award Lecture", "Rietz Award Lecture", "Neyman Award Lecture". The awards will be given out once every three year, the same frequency as the current lectures. Rename the "IMS Committee on Special Lectures" as "IMS Committee on Awards and Special Lectures". The administration of these awards and lectures remain the same as the current one, except the change of the name of the committee.
- The Council approved the following voting procedure for all IMS Committees:

This paper sets out voting systems for three different scenarios and also makes clear how the chair should act. It allows for multi-stage procedures where the committee can discuss the results between stages if it wishes. The amount of discussion between rounds of voting is up to the chair and the committee. This paper does not consider the question of how candidates for voting are obtained, only how votes should be conducted and counted when they actually take place. In every vote conducted, the chair votes along with the rest of the committee. Where there is no simple way of breaking ties, the chair has an additional casting vote as set out below.

A. Selection of a single individual (eg Wald Lecture)

Stage 1:

Each committee member ranks up to three candidates 1=first preference, 2=second preference, 3=third preference. If M preferences are used, then all the others are assigned rank M+1 when the votes are counted, so that if all 3 preferences are used then all the others are assigned rank 4. Within the M preferences expressed, equal ranks are not allowed. (So the voter may assign ranks 1-2-3-4-4-4-4-... or 1-2-3-3-3-3-3... or 1-2-2-2-2....)

The resulting ranks assigned by all voters are summed, and the two candidates with the smallest total rank are chosen to go on to the next stage.

_If tie-breaking is needed, the number of first preference votes is used to break a tie (so among those with equal summed ranks, candidates with more first preferences are preferred). If this does not resolve the tie, there is a runoff vote between the tied candidates. In the runoff, each committee member including the chair has one vote. In the event of a tie in the runoff, the chair has the casting decision. _

Stage 2:

The committee votes again (possibly after further discussion) between these two candidates to yield the winning candidate. The chair has an additional casting vote in case of a tie.

B. Selection of a slate of individuals of fixed size $N > 1$ (eg any Medallion Lecture field where more than one candidate has to be selected)

If there are segmented fields (e.g. a number for Probability and a number for Statistics) then the procedure operates separately for each field. In some cases these votes can be carried out concurrently, but in others they would have to be sequential (for instance if there is a "wild card" field.)

Stage 1:

If there are more than N+2 candidates, narrow down to N+2 using the same procedure as in Stage 1 of Scenario A. Each voter expresses up to three preferences with no ties within these preferences; if M preferences are expressed all others are given rank M+1; then the N+2 candidates with the lowest summed rank (and, within those of the same summed rank, the highest number of first preferences) are chosen to go on to the next stage.

Stage 2:

Possibly after further discussion, narrow down to the final N candidates using the same procedure as in Stage 1 for just these $N+2$ candidates. The N candidates with the lowest summed rank (and, within those of the same summed rank, the highest number of first preferences) are chosen to be the final selection.

In both cases the tie-breaking procedure, if needed, is as set out for Stage 1 of Scenario A.

C. Selection of a slate of individuals of indefinite size (eg Fellows)

Let M be the size of the committee and let K be the integer part of $(M+1)/2$. There are at most five rounds of voting. In each round proceed as follows:

Stage 1:

Each selection committee member, including the chair, votes for or against or abstain on each candidate still in consideration (ie who has not been finally rejected or selected; initially this is all the candidates). For each candidate the net score is the number for minus the number against.

In each round of voting, any candidate who achieves a net score of K or more is put on the final slate and is not voted on again. Those with a score less than Z are eliminated from further consideration, where $Z = -2$ in the first round of voting, 0 in rounds 2, 3 and 4, and K in round 5. Those with net scores between Z and $K-1$ inclusive are retained for future consideration and voting, unless the process is terminated by the vote taken as described in Stage 2 below.

Stage 2:

After the third and fourth round of voting, have a single vote on whether to approve the current slate of finally selected candidates or whether to continue voting. *If there is a tie in the single vote, the committee moves to the next round and does not terminate the process.* After the first two rounds voting is reopened automatically provided that there are still candidates who have not been finally selected or rejected. If the voting goes as far as five rounds, after the fifth round of voting all candidates who have not been finally selected are rejected and the resulting slate of selected candidates is automatically approved.

Council Meeting II , July 17, 2008

- The Council approved the FY2009 Budget.
- The Council approved the 2009 membership dues and rates.
- The following motion failed: To rename named lectures as follows: Rename "Wald Lecture" as "Wald Medal" and its associated 3 lectures as "Wald Medal Lectures". Rename "Le Cam Lecture", "Rietz Lecture", and "Neyman lecture" as "Le Cam Award", "Rietz Award" and "Neyman Award" respectively, and their associated lectures as "Le Cam Award Lecture", "Rietz Award Lecture", "Neyman Award Lecture". The awards will be given out once every three year, the same frequency as the current lectures. Rename the "IMS Committee on Special Lectures" as "IMS Committee on Awards and Special Lectures". The administration of these awards and lectures remain the same as the current one, except the change of the name of the committee.

Electronic Council Meeting July 31, 2008

The Council approved the re-appointment of Krzysztof (Chris) Burdzy as Editor of the IMS Web Page as recommended by the Committee to Select Editors.

Electronic Council Meeting October 15, 2008

The Council approved a proposal from Cambridge University Press to publish two new book series: IMS Monographs and IMS Textbooks.

BACKGROUND: This action takes place as a follow up to a motion approved by IMS Council in December 2007.

Electronic Council Meeting November 12, 2008

The Council approved the dedication of journal issues as proposed by the Committee on Memorials:

Ted Harris: Annals of Probability

Oded Schramm: Annals of Probability

Electronic Council Meeting December 12, 2008

The Council approved the appointment of Marten Wegkamp as IMS Executive Secretary (January 1, 2009-August 2011) as recommended by the Committee to Select Administrative Officers.

Electronic Council Meeting December 22, 2008

The Council approved the dedication of an issue of Statistical Science in memory of David Freedman as proposed by the Committee on Memorials.

Electronic Council Meeting January 13, 2009

The Council approved the following appointments for co-sponsored journals as recommended by the [Joint IMS/Bernoulli Society Publications Management Committee](#). These journals are all co-sponsored by the IMS and Bernoulli Society.

[Electronic Communications in Probability](#): [Timo Seppalainen](#)

[Electronic Journal of Probability](#): [Balint Toth](#)

[Probability Surveys](#): [Geoffrey Grimmett](#)

Electronic Council Meeting January 22, 2009

The Council approved the recommendation of the Travel Awards Committee to name [Jiashun Jin](#) as the 2009 Tweedie Award Recipient.

Background: Tweedie Award information can be viewed here:

<http://www.imstat.org/awards/tweedie.html> There were 4 nominations submitted this year.

The draft citation reads: "Jin made fundamental theoretical advances in understanding "Needle-in-a-Haystack" problems, where among many Z-scores or P-values, only a few can be expected to be truly significant. He developed practical False Discovery Rate controlling Procedures and Higher Criticism procedures for use in such problems. He made applications to Cosmological data analysis, Genomics and Network traffic analysis."

Electronic Council Meeting February 5, 2009

The Council approved the appointment of Guenther Walther as IMS Program Secretary for a full term as recommended by the Committee to Select Administrative Officers. This term will

run August 2009-August 2012.

Background: Guenther is currently serving a partial term as Program Secretary. He was appointed for June 2008-August 2009 to fill the unexpired term of a previous Program Secretary who left office.

Guenther Walther's web page is [here](#).

Electronic Council Meeting February 12, 2009

The Council approved the re-appointment of Brad Efron as Editor in Chief of the Annals of Applied Statistics for a second term (to run January 1, 2010-December 31, 2012).

Background: The [IMS Bylaws](#) allow for an editor to be appointed for a maximum of six years. Brad is currently finishing his first three year term. This appointment would be for a second three year term. Brad is the founding editor of the [Annals of Applied Statistics](#). Historically, IMS Editors are only appointed for one term. However, in cases when a new journal was started the initial term of the founding editor has often been longer than one term to properly get the journal off the ground.

Electronic Council Meeting February 26, 2009

The Council approved the appointment of Peter Bühlmann and T. Tony Cai as co-editors of the Annals of Statistics for a three year term (January 1, 2010-December 31, 2012) as recommended by the Committee to Select Editors.

Background: [Peter Bühlmann's web page](#)
[T. Tony Cai's web page](#).

Electronic Council Meeting March 22, 2009

The Council TABLED the following motion:

To adopt the following proposal as presented by the IMS Committee on Publications. This change would apply to all [IMS journals](#) and not to co-sponsored, affiliated or supported journals.

- 1: All IMS journals adopt a name+year style, and that this style be adopted uniformly for all papers.
- 2: While this change should be adopted immediately, it should not be applied retroactively for papers which have already been typeset or for papers for which authors have already submitted a final version.
- 3: Documentation should be prepared for authors to explain how to adopt the name+year style while remaining within arXiv restrictions for hyperlinks.

Background: The Publications Committee was asked to consider consolidating the citations style for all IMS journals to the name+year (Harvard style).

While there is currently no uniformity either among IMS journals or among authors in specific journals, most, with the exception of AOAS, use a number citation style. This style, while common in the mathematical literature, met with only minimal support from members of the committee, virtually all of who strongly favoured the name+year style.

The only perceived negative aspects with the name+year style were related to technical aspects of interfacing with arXiv restrictions for hyperlinks, but after some discussion it became clear that VTEX can work around these without too much difficulty.

Consequently, the committee's recommendations to Council are as follows:

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Electronic Council Meeting April 10, 2009

The Council approved the slate of Fellows as presented by the 2009 IMS Committee on Fellows. Citations can be found [here](#).

Jianwen Cai
Songxi Chen
Gauri Sankar Datta
David Draper
Jean-Pierre Fouque
Wing-Kam Fung
Joseph Glaz
Feifang Hu
Adam Jakubowski
John Kolassa
Runze Li
Hannu Oja
Liang Peng
Michael Sorensen
Boxin Tang
Marina Vannucci
Rainer von Sachs

Electronic Council Meeting April 28, 2009

The Council approved the slate of special lectures for 2010-2011 as recommended by the Committee to Select Editors.

Wald Lectures: Jean-Francois Le Gall (Universite Paris – Sud)
Rietz Lecture: Michael Stein (University of Chicago)

Medallion Lectures:

Itai Benjamini (Weizmann),
Jianqing Fan (Princeton),
Alice Guionnet (CNRS, Lyon),
Chris Holmes (Oxford),
Michael Newton (Wisconsin),
Sylvia Richardson (Imperial College),
Qi-man Shao (U. of Hong Kong, S&T),
Heping Zhang (Yale).

The committee recommends that the specific Medallion Lectures be delivered at the given meetings:

IMS Annual Meeting/JSM 2011: Fan, Holmes, Richardson, and Shao
ENAR 2011: Zhang
WNAR 2011: Newton
SPA 2011: Benjamini and Guionnet

Electronic Council Meeting May 7, 2009

The Council approved an additional allocation of 1450 pages for Annals of Statistics in 2009. The expected cost of these additional pages is approximately \$59,000.

Details: The Annals of Statistics is currently facing a large backlog of articles that needs to be addressed. The backlog has come about for two reasons. Firstly, there have been substantial improvements in the refereeing process, with almost all authors receiving a decision within three months of submission. Secondly, the acceptance-to-publication process has been speeded up considerably, and it is likely to improve still further in the future. A subcommittee of editors and staff came together to present a plan to quickly decrease this backlog by taking the following two actions.

First Action: The first recommended action to help decrease the current backlog is to immediately increase the page count for all issues to 600-650 per issue. This will expand the issues by 100-150 pages and take a small bite out of the backlog. This is the most economical way to decrease the backlog, as the additional cost is ~\$1000-2000 per issue depending on the additional page count. This action can be taken immediately for all issues that have not yet set a lineup. The binding process maxes out at about 650, hence the reason for the limit. This action is likely not enough to decrease the backlog quickly. Because of that we recommend a second action.

Second Action: The production of two double issues in 2009. Both the October and December issues will appear as double issues. This was done similarly with AOP in 2004 when two double issues were put out to decrease their backlog. Because the October issue is already in preparation, Part A will have ~500-550 pages. Part B can have up to 650 pages. Both parts of the December issue can have up to 650 pages. The cost for this option is approximately \$29,000 per additional issue. We would save some shipping costs by polybagging the issues together, but aside from that the additional cost is the same as one regular issue. Our experience shows that doing a double issue is clear to librarians and readers and does not require us to explain the process for their indexing purposes. Our subscription rates have already been set for 2009, so this would be an expense that would decrease AOS's net income for 2009. However, since the double issue would take place in FY2010 (rather than in our current FY2009), we can properly budget for it and maintain a balanced budget for the IMS.

Electronic Council Meeting June 1, 2009

The Council agreed to sponsor the following meeting.

Meeting Title: MCMSki III: Markov Chain Monte Carlo in Theory and Practice

Meeting Dates: January 5-7, 2011

Meeting Location: Snowbird, UT

Program Chair: Bradley P. Carlin (University of Minnesota) & Antonietta Mira (University of Insubria)

Electronic Council Meeting June 25, 2009

The Council voted to approve the following IMS Representation and IMS Editors for the IMS/CUP Textbooks and Monograph series.

IMS Representative

D.R. Cox, Oxford University

Editors:

Xiao-Li Meng, Harvard University, for Statistics

Ben Hambly, Oxford University, for Probability and

Susan Holmes, Stanford University, for Algorithms and Computing,

Electronic Council Meeting July 2, 2009

The Council TABLES the following recommendation of the Ad Hoc Committee on Awards:

"That the IMS set up a quadrennial Feller lecture, to be given at Annual Meetings on even numbered years not associated with the Bernoulli World Congress. More precisely, if the World Congress meetings are in years 2012, 2016, 2020...., then the Feller Lecture would be in the years 2010 (if not too soon), 2014, 2018,...."

Report of Ad Hoc Committee on new awards (3rd revised draft):

1. Background.

In September 2008 we were set up to examine whether the IMS should have any new awards, and if so, to make appropriate recommendations. (Note of clarification. In what follows the term "award" is to be regarded as including "prize", and "medal". The Institute's named lectures are not regarded as awards in this sense.)

2. Process.

The committee had several rounds of email exchanges in the period Sept 08 to May 09, leading to the recommendation below.

3. Outcome.

The committee did not feel that there is a good case for instituting new awards, and hence will not be making any such recommendations.

The principal reason for this outcome was the view that on the one hand, if one named lecture was upgraded to a award + lecture, this would single that lecture out to the detriment of all the others. The IMS may wish to do so, but the committee did not feel there was a case for doing so in any particular case, and even less for doing so for all named lectures. A second, reason, only slightly less important, is that converting one or more named lectures into an award will significantly increase the workload of the committee charged with making the selection. The process could hardly be less searching than for people nominated for fellowship, most likely substantially more so. Again, this committee did not feel that there was sufficient justification for going down this route.

A further, perhaps lesser reason for our decision, was the shared wish to avoid exaggerating the significance

the achievements of our colleagues. By and large, IMS members are a modest, low-key group of people, who

gather together for professional and personal interaction. We undoubtedly have our stars, for whom awards would be widely supported. However, decisions on the awards to individuals many times every year seem to us unlikely to gain the wide acceptance and respect they should, and the process risks engendering cynicism, and devaluing awards to

our truly outstanding members.

However, the committee identified a gap in set of named lectures used by the Institute to honor its members, namely the absence of a rotating series of lectures named after outstanding probabilist members of the IMS, which are the probability counterparts of the Rietz, Neyman and LeCam lectures. It noted that the decision has already been made to honor JL Doob by setting up a Doob lecture to be given at the quadrennial World Congresses in Probability and Statistics, commencing with the World Congress in 2012. The Doob lecturer would be chosen jointly by the IMS and the Bernoulli Society.

4. Recommendation

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Electronic Council Meeting July 25, 2009

The Council approve the proposed institutional rates for 2010 as presented.

Council Meeting I, August 2, 2009

- The Council agreed that the following guidelines will be instituted for the IMS-APRM Committee:
- The Asia and Pacific-Rim Meetings (IMS-APRM) is an ongoing IMS Sponsored Meeting.
- The meeting will initially occur every two years, but can be adjusted based on demand.
- The IMS-APRM Program Committee is a standing committee and its members should be appointed by the IMS President in consultation with appropriate societies from the countries represented in the APRM.
- The IMS Program Secretary sits ex-officio on the committee.
- The committee is responsible for all decisions regarding the meeting planning and programming, including the location and the local chair.
- The IMS will maintain an account for the IMS-APRM. The fund will be used for net income and losses as needed. No disbursements will be made out of the fund to IMS or any other organization.
- The Council reappointed Michael Phelan as Managing Editor for all IMS Journals through 12/31/2012.

Council Meeting II, August 4, 2009

- The Council agreed to advise Treasurer and Executive Director to increase as a general principle the membership rate based on appropriate measure of inflation plus two percent.
- The Council set 2010 dues rate at US\$98 for regular members.
- The Council approved the FY2010 Budget as presented.

Electronic Council Meeting September 9, 2009

The Council agreed that beginning in 2010, the Free Student Membership will provide free electronic access to all IMS Journals but will not provide a hard-copy journal. The Electronic Issues Committee will also be charged with finding an appropriate email based way to remind all IMS members of the contents of our journals on a regular basis.

Electronic Council Meeting September 15, 2009

The Council agreed that going forward the Membership Dues and Renewal Forms shall contain the following statement:

Because of a general change in the way that people both receive and read all kinds of materials, the IMS expects that, over the next few years, electronic distribution may well become the primary means of making the IMS Bulletin available to its members. From now on, all members will be emailed a link to the Bulletin when it comes out. In order to give members complete choice over this matter, we are asking whether it would be acceptable to you personally to receive the Bulletin only by email link starting this year.

[] Yes, the email link will be sufficient; please discontinue sending me the hard copy of the Bulletin.

[] No, I would prefer to continue receiving a hard copy of the Bulletin by regular mail.

There will be no charge for hard copy; however, the IMS is anxious not to waste postage and printing costs sending hard copy to members who would be entirely happy with electronic copy only.

Electronic Council Meeting September 24, 2009

The Council agreed Membership Dues and Renewal Forms shall offer a 10% discount to those persons who join or renew before the beginning of the new membership year (January 1).

Background: The previous discount was 20%.

Electronic Council Meeting October 4, 2009

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