



## Editorial: New Editors 2017



Journal of Network and Computer Applications has experienced rapid growth in number of papers submitted and published in the last six years. The number of papers submitted has grown from 193 in 2008 to 1519 in 2016. During the same period, the number of papers published has increased from 56 to 295. The impact factor of the journal continues to increase and is currently 2.33 with a 5-yr impact factor of 2.48. JNCA ranks in Q1 in all the three SCI categories: CS-Hardware and Architecture, CS-Interdisciplinary Applications, and CS-Software Engineering. I would like to thank the senior editors for doing an excellent job in fast screening the submitted papers to eliminate those which are not suitable for the journal, and the editorial board for their continued hard work and dedication to bring the journal to where it is today.

We had a number of changes to the editorial board. Petr Tuma, Lei Shu, Lingyang Song, Dulal Kar, Ngoc Thanh Nguyen, Jong Hyuk Park, Nurul Sarker, and Tao Gu have decided to step down or have finished their term as editor. We owe them a big thanks for their dedicated service to JNCA.

It is my pleasure to introduce and welcome the following 28 editors who have recently joined the editorial board of JNCA bringing the total number of editors to 76. They are very accomplished world-class researchers and experts in their field of expertise. I am confident their addition will help us further improve JNCA and serve the community with quality and timely reviews. I am very honored to have the opportunity to work with such a group of highly accomplished scholars around the world.



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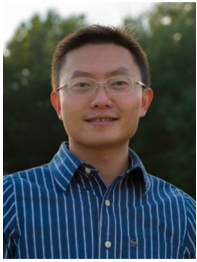
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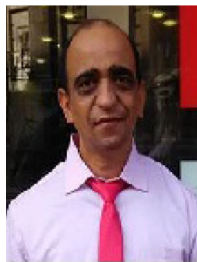
innovative algorithms in order to ensure a flexible (the ability of the system to dynamically adapt to changes in its operating conditions, without need for reconfiguration) management of resources in real-time systems and networks. He has published 2 book chapters, and over 60 refereed international journals and conference papers. He has served on several committees of distinguished journals and IEEE conferences. He is currently an Associate Editor of some Elsevier and Springer Journal. He is Guest

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