ACM SIGMOD/PODS ’99 Joint Conference
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The ACM SIGMOD/PODS '99 Joint Conference will, once again, bring together the SIGMOD and PODS conferences under one umbrella. The two events will overlap for two days to form a joint conference, but each will have a separate third day without overlap. There will be only one registration process for the joint, four-day conference. SIGMOD and PODS will have separate program committees and will have separate proceedings.

Authors must submit their papers to the conference that they feel is most appropriate for their work. We recommend that applied papers be submitted to SIGMOD and theoretical ones to PODS. The same paper or different versions of the same paper should not be submitted to both conferences simultaneously. Attendees will receive both proceedings and be encouraged to attend sessions in both conferences. Some of the technical events and the lunches will be joint events.

Submission Guidelines

All research papers should be directed to the appropriate program chair.

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The address, telephone number, FAX number, and electronic address of the contact author should be given on the title page of the submission. All authors of accepted papers will be expected to sign copyright release forms, and one author of each accepted paper will be expected to present the paper at the conference. Proceedings will be distributed at the conference, and will be subsequently available for purchase through the ACM.

SIGMOD Submissions: Original research papers are solicited (at most 25 pages excluding appendices, 1.5 spaced, in no smaller than 10 point font and with 1 inch margins). Submit your abstract electronically on or before 5pm EST, October 26, 1998. Submit six hard copies of your paper, to arrive on or before November 2, 1998, to the PC Chair. **VERY IMPORTANT** for scheduling possible patent filings: Authors of accepted papers will be expected to make their papers public by **March 23, 1999** (one week after the due date of the camera ready copies). Panel, Tutorial, Demonstration and Industrial Track proposals are also due on Nov. 2, 1998. They should be sent to the respective chairs. (Please see website below for further details.)

PODS Submissions: For hardcopy submissions, please send 16 copies of an extended abstract by the deadline of November 16, 1998 to the PC chair. Electronic submissions are encouraged. Please see the conference web site for further details. Submissions should be limited to 10 pages (with font size at least 11 pts). The abstract must provide sufficient detail to allow the program committee to assess its merits and should include appropriate references to and comparisons with the literature.
For further information, please see the Conference Web Site at **http: //www.research.att.com/conf/sigmod99**