

TinyToCS Volume 1 Chairs' Note

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ABSTRACT

While each author and organizer approached TinyToCS with different expectations—as a novel distribution platform, an experiment with a new scholarly medium, or a conceptual statement—we can safely declare our inaugural iteration a success. This volume, comprised of 49 engaging and accessible peer-reviewed papers (of 64 submissions, 27 accepted, 22 conditionally accepted and shepherded), represents substantive scholarly work, albeit in a much more concise format than is standard. Enjoy the included papers, which range from advances in theory to databases, privacy, robotics, and more.

We hope that TinyToCS Volume 1 contributes to a growing discussion about publishing in the modern era [3]. Admittedly, the traditional peer review model we employed (3–5 reviews per paper)—chosen to ensure high quality—is at odds with our goals of providing timely publication and broad impact [2]. However, we plan to evolve our format in the future to better address both concerns of research dissemination and scholarly certification [1, 2]. Volume 1 is just the beginning, and, with the momentum we have gained here and the support of the broader community, we can continue to innovate together. We welcome your feedback and future participation, and we owe a special thanks to our authors and program committee for their courage, hard work, and ingenuity.

BODY

TinyToCS shows promise. We are encouraged by these proceedings, and the broader dialogue is only beginning. Stay tuned.

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