

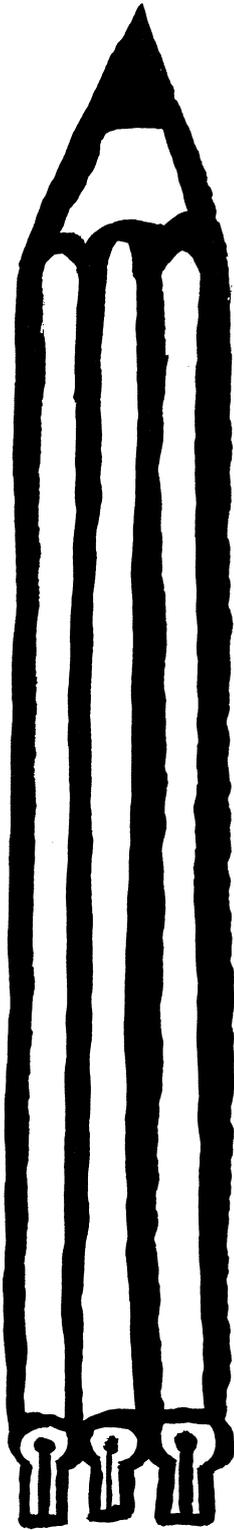


Dear Reader,

*I have just finished with my travel arrangements to Copenhagen for ICALP 2014. As you know, ICALP 2015 will be held in Kyoto, my city. Of course I know pretty well what ICALP meetings look like in general, but even so the trip this time has a bit of special meaning to me in the sense that I need to remind myself what is important to make the meeting more attractive and more comfortable.*

*You will meet several articles/reports related to EATCS/ICALP in the next October issue. So, this June issue may tend to be quiet (June is a rainy season and in fact quiet in Japan). Well, true. But this is even better to read technical stuff peacefully: We have five columns including two new ones: The Algorithmics Column by Gerhard Woeginger and The Concurrency Column by Nobuko Yoshida. Our community includes a lot of different disciplines and it is not very easy to write professional surveys so as to be accessible from all people. One easy answer to this problem is just to include relatively many surveys on different topics. Thus this issue is nice, which I am sure will allow you to spend a nice time in the next weekend.*

*Another specific point I would like to make is the "Book Introduction by the Authors" section. This issue includes the contribution by Stasys Jukna about his book "Boolean Function Complexity." If you are interested in circuit complexity, you definitely cannot miss this nice article (I have a small concern that some of you even feel that you already know all about the*



*contents and do not have to buy one...) I should strongly like to make this section regular and one of the features of our Bulletin. I need your help; looking forward to receiving your suggestions and/or information on books for this section.*

*See you in Copenhagen very soon!*

*Kazuo Iwama, Kyoto*

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