REPORT ON CS&P 2011

20th International Workshop on Concurrency, Specification and Programming, 28-30 September 2011, Pultusk, Poland

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CS&P 2011, the in this series of conferences, alternating between Germany and Poland, took place in the historical town Pultusk at river Narew in the region Mazowsze (Mazovia), 60 km north of Warszawa, from September 28 to 30, 2011. Conference site was Zamek Pultusk (Pultusk castle) serving as hotel and conference place (Hotel Dom Polonii, Polonia is the Polish diaspora). It is a 16th century building, partly destroyed in 2nd world war and restored after it.

CS&P 2011 was organized and supported by Universitas Varsoviensis (Faculty of Informatics), Humboldt Universität zu Berlin (Fakultät für Mathematik, Informatik und Mechanik), together with Politechnika Białostocka and NCBiR (Polish National Centre for Research and Development) project SYNAT (system Nauki i techniki).

The conference was attended by 65 participants from 7 countries, as given in the following table:

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The scientific program consisted of 54 accepted (another 3 withdrawn, 2 rejected) papers as shown in the following table:

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The program can be found on the website of CS&P 2011:

http://www.csp2011.mimuw.edu.pl

The workshop was run in two parallel tracks, roughly theoretical and applied, in Sala Koncertowa and Sala Kominkowa. On Friday due to a commercial meeting, one track was shifted to Sala Biblioteki.

The presentation by Olena Yatsenko was cancelled. Due to a medical operation the contribution of Roman Rędziejowski was presented by Ludwik Czaja.

The workshop was opened on Wednesday by Marcin Szczuka, giving useful information, in particular ‘You may suffer terrible pains with the internet’ (there were problems with access), and Ludwik Czaja, saying some words on CS&P.
To mention are good presentations by Jörg Bachmann on characterizations of Petri net languages, by Irina Lomazova on compositionality of boundedness and liveness for nested Petri nets, and on cellular resource-driven automata, by Frank Hettmann on liveness and reachability for elementary object nets, and restrictions of generalized state machines, by Michal Kózak on finite model property of infinitary action logics, and by Dominik Strzalka on entropy production in special algorithms.

An interesting contribution on letter frequency distribution in the Voynich manuscript was presented by Grzegorz Jąskiewicz.

The proceedings, edited by Ludwik Czaia, Magdalena Kaprзak, Andrzei Skowron, and Marcin Szczuka, containing all contributions, have been published in electronic form on CD and USB stick, and are also available on the workshop website. Pictures of CS&P 2011 can be found on the conference web site.

In the coffee breaks coffee, tea, juice, mineral water and snacks were offered. Breakfast, lunch and dinner were served in the castle restaurant.

The social program consisted of a guided sightseeing tour through the old town on Thursday afternoon. It started with a tour through the castle, built in 16th century, from the tower of which there is a nice view over the town with its long market square and big town hall, and continued with a walk through the town with a visit to the 15th century Gothic church Bazylika Zwiastowania NMP (Mary’s Announcement).

The conference dinner took place in the evening in Tawerna in the castle grounds, where we had an open fire (useful for repelling mosquitos), barbecue, salads, bigos, bread, draught beer, mineral water, coffee, and tea. It ended by 21:30 h.

All participants stayed in the castle hotel. Weather was nice, sunny with occasional rainfall, and highest temperatures at 20°C.

CS&P 2011 was successful again, in an interesting and recreational area. CS&P 2012 will be held in Berlin.