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**Special Session on
Machine Learning on Big Data**

AIMS AND SCOPE

The Special Session “Machine Learning on Big Data” (MLBD 2016) of the 15th IEEE International Conference on Machine Learning and Applications (IEEE ICMLA 2016) focuses on machine learning models, techniques and algorithms related to Big Data, a vibrant and challenging research context playing a leading role in the Machine Learning and Data Mining research communities. Big data is gaining attention from researchers, being driven among others by technological innovations (such as cloud interfaces) and novel paradigms (such as social networks). Devising and developing machine learning models, techniques and algorithms for big data represent a fundamental problem stirred-up by the tremendous range of critical applications incorporating machine learning tools in their core platforms. For example, in application settings where big data arise and machine is useful, we recognize, among other things: (i) machine-learning-based processing (e.g., acquisition, knowledge discovery, and so forth) over large-scale sensor networks introduces important advantages over classical data-management-based approaches; similarly, (ii) medical and e-health information systems usually include successful machine learning tools for processing and mining very large graphs modelling patient-to-disease, patient-to-doctor, and patient-to-therapy networks; (iii) genome data management and mining can gain important benefits from machine learning algorithms. Some hot topics in machine learning on big data include: (i) machine learning on unconventional big data sources (e.g., large-scale graphs in scientific applications, strongly-unstructured social networks, and so forth); (ii) machine learning over massive big data in distributed settings; (iii) scalable machine learning algorithms; (iv) deep learning – models, principles, issues; (v) machine-learning-based predictive approaches; (vi) machine-learning-based big data analytics; (vii) privacy-preserving machine learning on big data; (viii) temporal analysis and spatial analysis on big data; (ix) heterogeneous machine learning on big data; (x) novel applications of machine learning on big data (e.g., healthcare, cybersecurity, smart cities, and so forth).

The Special Session “Machine Learning on Big Data” (MLBD 2016) of the 15th IEEE International Conference on Machine Learning and Applications (IEEE ICMLA 2016) will be held in Anaheim, CA, USA, during December 18-20, 2016, and it aims to synergistically connect the research community and industry practitioners. It provides an international forum where scientific domain experts and Machine Learning and Data Mining researchers, practitioners and developers can share their findings in theoretical foundations, current methodologies, and practical experiences on Machine Learning on Big Data. MLBD 2016 will provide a stimulating environment to encourage discussion, fellowship, and exchange of ideas in all aspects of research related to Machine Learning on Big Data. This includes both original research contributions and insights from practical system design, implementation and

evaluation, along with new research directions and emerging application domains in the target area. An expected outcome from MLBD 2016 is the identification of new problems in the main topics, and moves to achieve consolidated solutions to already-known problems. Other goals are to help in creating a focused community of scientists who create and drive interest in the area of Machine Learning on Big Data, and additionally to continue on the success of the event across future years.

The MLBD 2016 special session focuses on all the research aspects of machine learning on Big Data. Among these, an unrestricted list includes:

- ❖ Fundamentals
- ❖ Modelling
- ❖ Statistical Approaches
- ❖ Novel Paradigms
- ❖ Innovative Techniques
- ❖ Algorithms
- ❖ Innovative Architectures (GPU, Clouds, Clusters)
- ❖ Non-Conventional Big Data Settings (e.g., Spatio-Temporal Big Data, Streaming Big Data, Graph Big Data, Cloud Big Data, Probabilistic Big Data, Uncertain Big Data)
- ❖ Systems
- ❖ Architectures
- ❖ Advanced Topics (e.g., Dimensionality Reduction, Matrix Approximation Algorithms, Multi-Task Learning, Semi-Supervised Learning, Integration with NoSQL Databases)
- ❖ Case Studies and Applications

Papers should be submitted for this special session at the regular paper submission website (<http://www.icmla-conference.org/icmla16/>). Papers should not exceed a maximum of 6 pages (including abstract, body, tables, figures, and references), and should be submitted as a pdf in 2-column IEEE format. Detailed instructions for submitting the papers are provided on the conference at home page. 2 additional pages are available in the final paper.

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Important Dates:

Paper Submission Deadline **August 6th, 2016**
Notification of Acceptance **September 7th, 2016**
Camera-Read Papers **October 1st, 2016**

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