

# **SPAA 2008**

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Munich, Germany**



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- Kunle Olukotun, Stanford University
- Arnold Rosenberg, University of Massachusetts at Amherst
- Leslie Valiant, Harvard University
- Hagit Attiya, Technion
- Charles Leiserson, MIT and Cilk Arts Inc.
- Burton Smith, Microsoft Research

## SPAA 2008 Conference Awards

The SPAA 2008 Program Committee awards the SPAA 2008 best paper award to

*Zvika Guz, Idit Keidar, Avinoam Kolodny and Uri C. Weiser  
Utilizing Shared Data in Chip Multiprocessors with the Nahalal Architecture*

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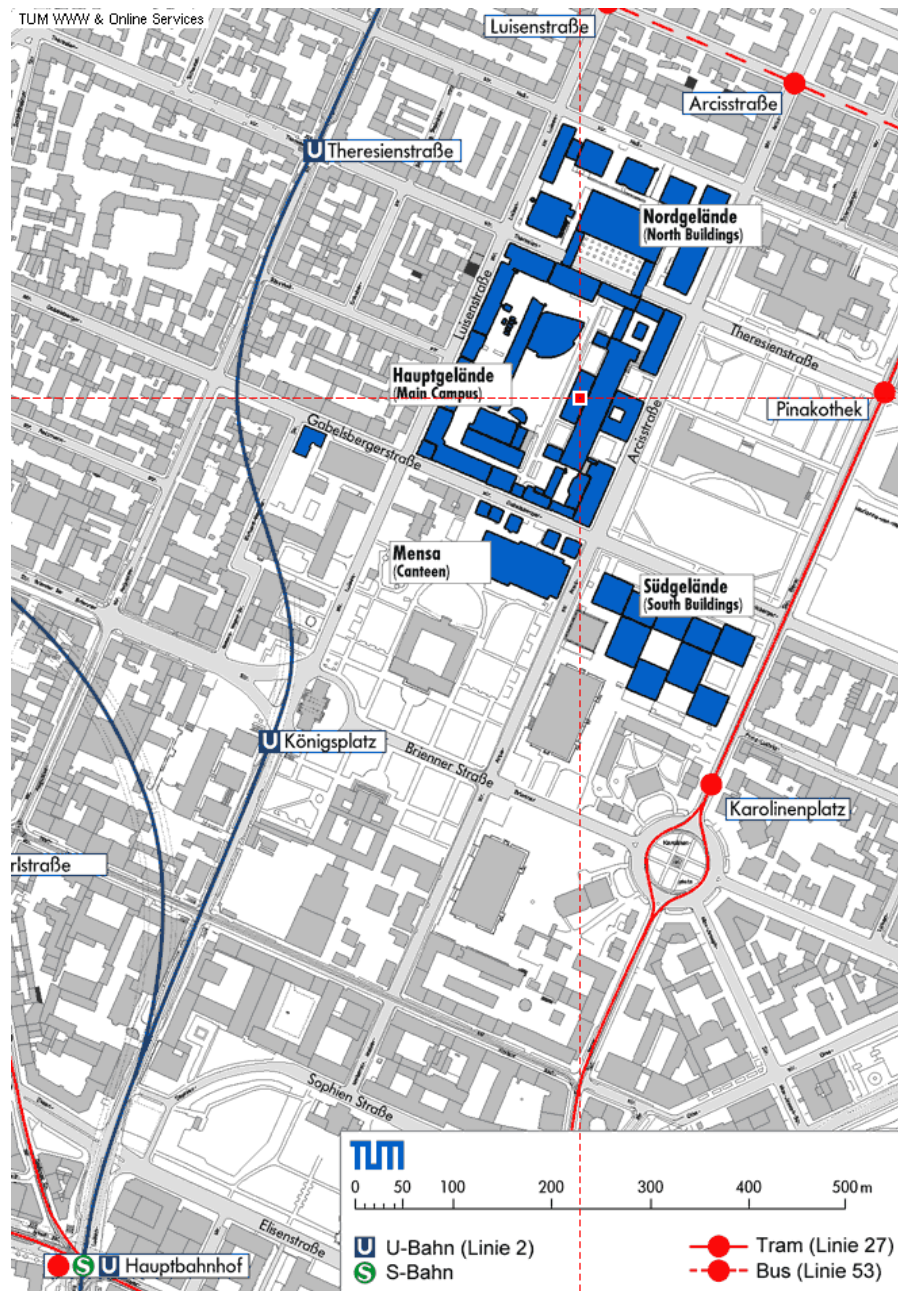
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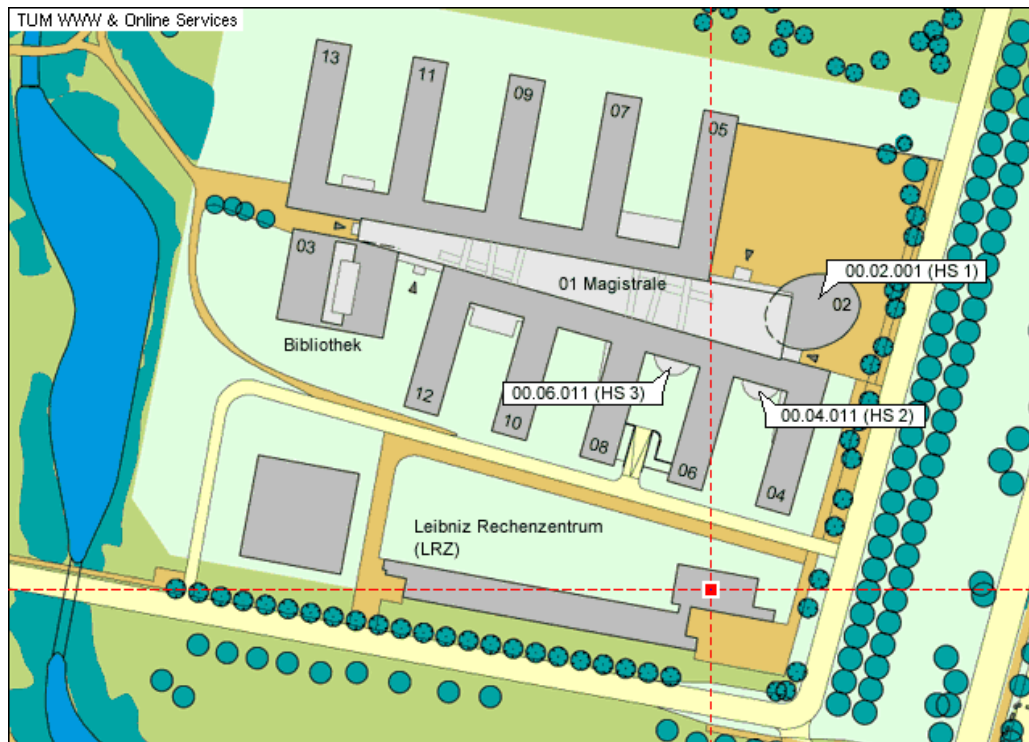
## June 13-15: TUM Main Campus

Reception (June 13) and registration desk: Immatrikulationshalle (see the red marker)



## June 16: TUM Garching Campus

Conference location: LRZ (see red marker)

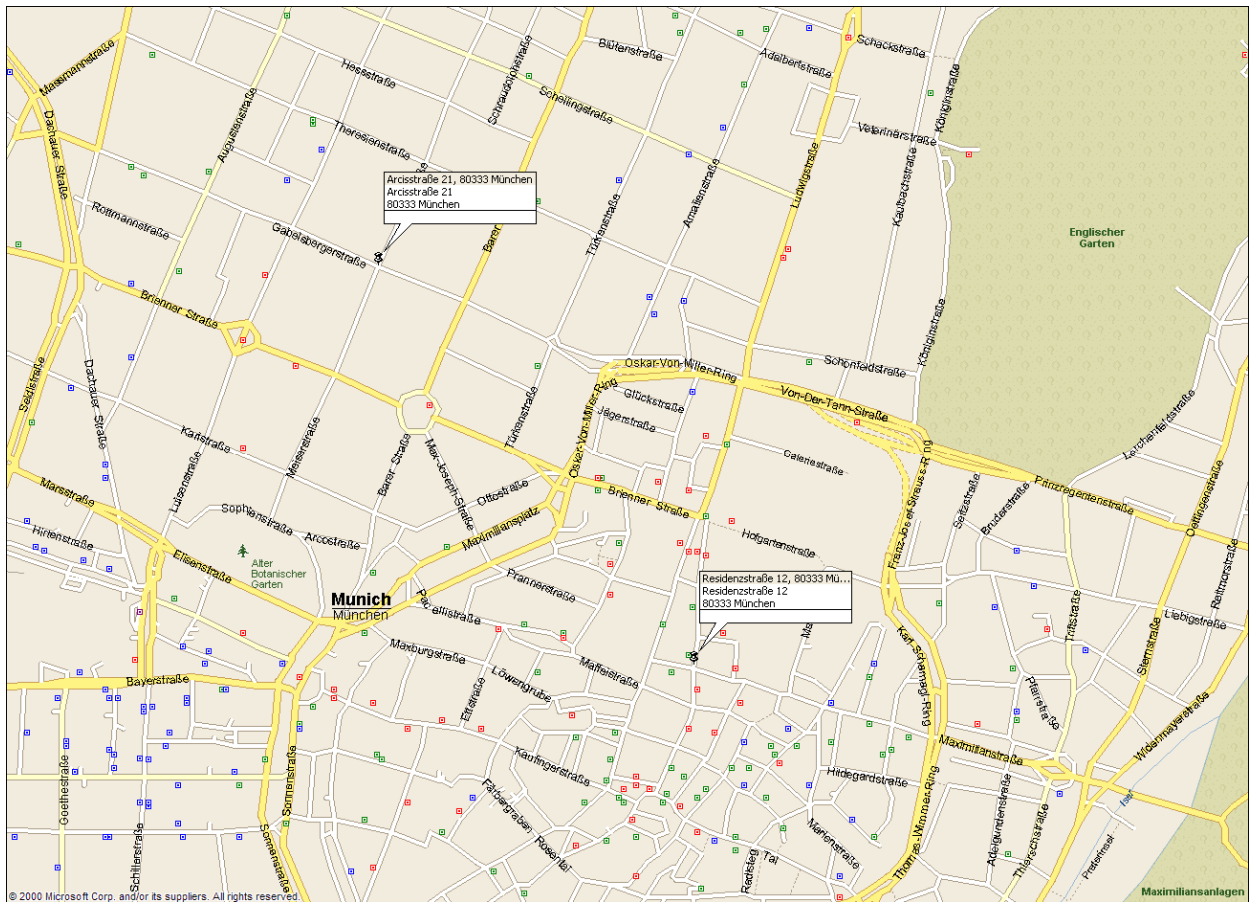




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# SPAA 2008 Program

## Friday, June 13

6:00 – 9:00 pm: **Registration and Reception at the Technische Universität München, Arcisstr. 21, 80333 Munich**

## Saturday, June 14

08:20 – 08:30 am: **Welcome Address**

08:30 – 09:30 am: **Invited Talk 1**

Towards pervasive parallelism  
*Kunle Olukotun, Stanford University*

09:30 – 10:50 am: **Session 1 – Special Track Multicore Systems**  
**Chair: Nir Shavit**

09:30 am: *Winner of the best paper award:*  
Utilizing Shared Data in Chip Multiprocessors with the Nahalal Architecture  
*Zvika Guz, Idit Keidar, Avinoam Kolodny and Uri C. Weiser.*

09:50 am: A Consistency Architecture for Hierarchical Shared Caches  
*Edya Ladan Mozes and Charles Leiserson.*

10:10 am: Combinable Memory-Block Transactions  
*Guy Blelloch, Phillip Gibbons and S. Harsha Vardhan.*

10:30 am: Parallelizing Dynamic Information Flow Tracking  
*Olatunji Ruwase, Phillip B. Gibbons, Todd Mowry, Vijaya Ramachandran, Shimin Chen, Michael Kozuch and Michael Ryan.*

10:50 – 11:20 am: **Coffee Break**

11:20 – 12:20 pm: **Session 2 – Algorithms on Graphs**  
**Chair: Emmanuelle Lebhar**

11:20: What Can Be Approximated Locally?  
*Christoph Lenzen, Yvonne Anne Oswald and Roger Wattenhofer.*

11:40: Distributed packing in planar graphs  
*Michal Hanckowiak, Andrzej Czygrinow and Wojciech Wawrzyniak.*

12:00: Polylogarithmic Network Navigability Using Compact Metrics with Small Stretch  
*Pierre Fraigniaud and Cyril Gavoille.*

12:20 – 01:40 pm: **Lunch**

01:40 – 02:40 am: **Invited Talk 2**

Where is your dog's belly button?  
*Arnold Rosenberg, University of Massachusetts at Amherst*

02:40 – 04:00 pm: **Session 3 – Broadcasting in Networks**  
Chair: Andrea Pietracaprina

02:40: Online Multicast with Egalitarian Cost Sharing  
*Moses Charikar, Howard Karloff, Claire Mathieu, Seffi Naor and Michael Saks.*

03:00: Trade-offs Between the Size of Advice and Broadcasting Time in Trees  
*Emanuele Guido Fusco and Andrzej Pelc.*

03:20: Cost Sharing Mechanisms for Near-Optimal Traffic Aggregation and Network Design  
*Baruch Awerbuch and Rohit Khandekar.*

03:40: On Spreading Recommendations via Social Gossip  
*Yaacov Fernandess and Dahlia Malkhi.*

04:00 - 04:30 pm: **Coffee Break**

04:30 – 05:30 pm: **Session 4 – Brief Announcements**  
Chair: Christof Fetzer

04:30: Against Lock-Based Semantics for Transactional Memory  
*Victor Luchangco.*

04:38: A Transactional Approach to Lock Scalability  
*Amitabha Roy, Keir Fraser and Steven Hand.*

04:46: RaceTM: Detecting Data Races Using Transactional Memory  
*Shantanu Gupta, Florin Sultan, Srihari Cadambi, Franjo Ivancic and Martin Roetteler.*

04:54: An Object Based Hardware Transactional Memory System  
*Behram Khan, Matthew Horsnell, Ian Rogers, Mikel Lujan, Andrew Dinn and Ian*



*Watson.*

05:02: Safe Open-Nested Transactions Through Ownership

*Kunal Agrawal, ITing Lee and Jim Sukha.*

05:10: Leveraging non-blocking collective communication in high-performance applications

*Torsten Hoefler, Peter Gottschling and Andrew Lumsdaine.*

05:18: Fractal Communication in Software Data Dependency Graphs

*Daniel Greenfield and Simon Moore.*

**8:30 – 10:30 pm: Business meeting**

**Location: TUM Main Campus, Room 0606 (the same as for the conference)**

**Sunday, June 15**

**08:30 – 09:30 am: Invited Talk 3**

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*Leslie Valiant, Harvard University*

**9:30 – 10:50 am: Session 5 – Graph Algorithms**

Chair: Danny Hendler

09:30: Many Random Walks Are Faster Than One

*Noga Alon, Chen Avin, Michal Koucky, Gady Kozma, Zvi Lotker and Mark R. Tuttle.*

09:50: Improved Distributed Approximate Matching

*Zvi Lotker, Boaz Patt-Shamir and Seth Pettie.*

10:10: Graph partitioning into isolated, high conductance clusters: theory, computation and applications to preconditioning

*Ioannis Koutis and Gary Miller.*

10:30: Finding Strongly Connected Components in Parallel using  $O(\log^2 n)$

Reachability Queries

*Warren Schudy.*

**10:50 – 11:20 am: Coffee Break**

**11:20 – 12:20 pm: Session 6 – Special Track Transactional Memory**

Chair: Panagiota Fatourou

11:20: Automatic Data Partitioning in Software Transactional Memories  
*Torvald Riegel, Christof Fetzer and Pascal Felber.*

11:40: RingSTM: Scalable Transactions with a Single Atomic Instruction  
*Michael Spear, Maged Michael and Christoph von Praun.*

12:00: Adaptive Transaction Scheduling for Transactional Memory Systems  
*Richard Yoo and Hsien-Hsin Lee.*

12:20 – 01:40: **Lunch (provided)**

01:40 – 02:40: **Invited Talk 4**

TBA  
*Hagit Attiya, Technion*

02:40 – 03:30 pm: **Session 7 – Brief announcements (and in parallel poster session)**  
Chair: Faith Ellen

02:40: Operational Analysis of Processor Speed Scaling  
*Kai Shen, Alex Zhang, Terence Kelly and Chris Stewart.*

02:48: A Temperature-Aware Virtual Submesh Allocation Scheme for NoC-based  
Manycore Chips  
*Xiongfei Liao, Wu Jigang and Thambipillai Srikanthan.*

02:56: Optimal Speedup on a Low-Degree Multi-Core Parallel Architecture (LoPRAM)  
*Reza Dorrigiv, Alejandro Lopez-Ortiz and Alejandro Salinger.*

03:04: Energy-Optimal Distributed Algorithms for Minimum Spanning Trees  
*Yongwook Choi, Maleq Khan, Anil Kumar and Gopal Pandurangan.*

03:12: Data Replication in P2P Environments  
*Andre Brinkmann and Sascha Effert.*

03:20: Graphical Congestion Games with Linear Latencies  
*Vittorio Bilo', Angelo Fanelli, Michele Flammini and Luca Moscardelli.*

03:30 – 04:00 pm: **Coffee Break with continuing poster session**

The Adaptive Transactional Memory Test Platform  
*Mark Moir, Kevin Moore and Dan Nussbaum.*

Improving Software Concurrency with Hardware-assisted memory Snapshot  
*Jaewoong chung, Jiwon seo, Woongki Baek, Chi Cao Minh, Christos Kozyrakis and  
kunle Olukotun.*

Distributed Voronoi diagram computation in wireless sensor networks  
*Waleed Alsalih, Md. Kamrul Islam, Yurai Nunez Rodriguez and Henry Xiao.*

Directed Transmission Method, a Fully Asynchronous Approach to Solve Sparse Linear Systems in Parallel  
*Fei Wei and Huazhong Yang.*

ASeD: Availability, Security, and Debugging Support using Transactional Memory  
*Jaewoong chung, Woongki Baek, Nathan Bronson, Jiwon Seo, Christos Kozyrakis and Kunle Olukotun.*

04:00 – 05:00 pm: **Session 8 – Special Track Multicore Algorithms**  
Chair: Ravi Rajwar

04:00: Fundamental Parallel Algorithms for Private-Cache Chip Multiprocessors  
*Lars Arge, Michael T. Goodrich, Michael Nelson and Nodari Sitchinava.*

04:20: Cache-efficient Dynamic Programming Algorithms for Multicores  
*Rezaul Chowdhury and Vijaya Ramachandran.*

04:40: Scheduling Strategies for Optimistic Parallel Execution of Irregular Programs  
*Milind Kulkarni, Keshav Pingali, Ganesh Ramanarayanan, Bruce Walter, Patrick Carribault, Paul Chew and Kavita Bala.*

08:00 – 11:00 pm: **Banquet dinner at the Spatenhaus**

**Location: see above**

## **Monday, June 16**

08:30 – 09:30 am: **Invited Talk 5**

Cilk++  
*Charles Leiserson, MIT and Cilk Arts Inc.*

09:30 – 10:50 am: **Session 9 – Parallel and Distributed Scheduling**  
Chair: Susanne Albers

09:30: Fast Distributed Scheduling via Primal-Dual  
*Mauro Sozio and Alessandro Panconesi.*

09:50: A Primal-Dual Resource Augmentation Analysis of a Constant Approximate Algorithm for Stable Coalitions in a Cluster  
*Indrajit Roy and Nediako Dimitrov.*

10:10: Improved Approximations for Multiprocessor Scheduling Under Uncertainty  
*Christopher Crutchfield, Zoran Dzunic, Jeremy Fineman, David Karger and Jacob Scott.*

10:30: Competitive Non-migratory Scheduling for Flow Time and Energy  
*Tak-Wah Lam, Lap Kei Lee, Isaac K.K. To and Prudence W.H. Wong.*

10:50 – 11:10 am: **Coffee Break**

11:10 – 12:30 pm: **Session 10 – Special Track STM Design and Locks**  
Chair: Alexandra Fedorova

11:10: Kicking the Tires of Software Transactional Memory: Why the Going Gets Tough  
*Richard Yoo, Yang Ni, Adam Welc, Bratin Saha, Ali-Reza Adl-Tabatabai and Hsien-Hsin Lee.*

11:30: Checkpoints and Continuations instead of Nested Transactions  
*Eric Koskinen and Maurice Herlihy.*

11:50: Irrevocable Transactions and their Applications  
*Adam Welc, Bratin Saha and Ali-Reza Adl-Tabatabai.*

12:10: Partial Snapshot Objects  
*Hagit Attiya, Rachid Guerraoui and Eric Ruppert.*

12:30 – 01:40 pm: **Lunch (provided)**

01:40 – 02:40 pm: **Invited Talk 6**

Parallel Computing at Microsoft  
*Burton Smith, Microsoft Research*

02:40 – 03:40 pm: **Session 11 – STM Analysis and Semantics**  
Chair: Pascal Felber

02:40: On Obstruction-Free Transactions  
*Rachid Guerraoui and Michal Kapalka.*

03:00: Practical Weak-Atomicity Semantics for Java STM  
*Vijay Menon, Steven Balensiefer, Tatiana Shpeisman, Ali-Reza Adl-Tabatabai, Richard Hudson, Bratin Saha and Adam Welc.*

03:20: Commit Phase in Timestamp-based STM  
*Rui Zhang, Zoran Budimlic, and William Scherer.*

03:40 – 04:00 pm: **Coffee break**

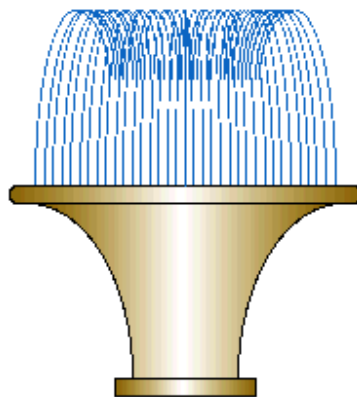
04:00 – 05:00 pm: **Session 12 – Algorithms**  
Chair: Rajmohan Rajaraman

04:00: Dreadlocks: Efficient Deadlock Detection  
*Eric Koskinen and Maurice Herlihy.*

04:20: Communication in wireless networks with directional antennas  
*Ioannis Caragiannis, Christos Kaklamanis, Evangelos Kranakis, Danny Krizanc and Andreas Wiese.*

04:40: Tight Competitive Ratios for Parallel Disk Prefetching and Caching  
Wing Kai Hon, Rahul Shah, Peter Varman and Jeffrey Scott Vitter.

**Conference adjourns. Thanks for coming to SPAA 2008!!**



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