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## **ACM LAUNCHES NEW E-BOOKS SERIES COVERING ENTIRE SPECTRUM OF COMPUTER SCIENCE TOPICS**

**Editor-in-Chief Özsu Leads Distinguished Editorial Board for Books Series  
Featuring High-Quality, Contemporary Computing Research**

**NEW YORK – January 9, 2014** – [ACM](#) has initiated a new publishing venture aimed at filling the need for outstanding computer science books. This new series, called [ACM Books](#), complements ACM’s current journals and conference publishing activities. It is targeted at the growing computing community, including authors, researchers, practitioners, educators, and students. In particular, the series provides authors with a new outlet for their scholarly work, giving them the ability to produce a deeper dive into their research than is possible through short-form conference or journal articles. ACM Books, to start publication this year, will cover the entire range of topics that comprise the computer science field, including its history and social impact.

Books in the series will be “born digital” inside the [ACM Digital Library](#) (DL), its primary content delivery platform, and will be available for download on tablets, mobile phones, and other mobile devices. They will also be accessible in print-on-demand format from the most heavily-used ebook retailers, including Amazon and Barnes & Noble, and from ACM partner Morgan & Claypool, an independent publisher of scientific and technical works.

“Our focus is on quality and access, not size, high prices or profit,” said Scott Delman, ACM Director of Group Publishing. “ACM Books will feature research surveys and graduate-level textbooks that reflect high-quality, innovative research in a wide area of computing and information technology. Authors will find a range of high-quality services, including fast publication, affordable pricing, wide distribution, and easy accessibility via the ACM Digital Library as well as the prestige of publishing with ACM.”

Editor-in-Chief of ACM Books M. Tamer Özsu heads an international [Editorial Board](#) of computing luminaries from a wide range of institutions of higher learning. Each editor represents a major subject area in computer science and software engineering, and is responsible for inviting and evaluating manuscript proposals submitted to the series. Authors interested in submitting proposals will find publishing process, policy, and promotion details on the [Authors page](#).

“ACM Books will fill a unique space in the publishing domain,” said Özsu. “Rather than focus on narrow topics, these books will target topics more broadly and address areas not covered elsewhere. Our books will also expose the rich history of computing and the substantial global impact this field commands.

For many readers, the ACM Digital Library will be the primary channel from which to search, browse, and download complete copies or individual chapters of ACM Books,” he added.

Initially, the books will reflect the subject matter expertise of both the area editors and the authors they select. Topics include many of the most dynamic areas of computing, including Software Engineering, Multimedia Systems, Cloud Computing, Mobile Computing, Machine Learning and Data Mining, Security and Privacy, Information Retrieval and Digital Libraries, as well as Data Management, Bioinformatics, Computer Graphics, and Parallel Computing. Other areas in the opening series include Social Computing, Human-Centered Computing, Programming Languages, Web Engineering, and History of Computing. The Series will expand beyond these topics as new Area Editors are appointed by the Editor-in-Chief of the Series over time.

Özsu is a professor of Computer Science at the University of Waterloo and associate dean of research of the Faculty of Mathematics. He serves as vice chair for new publications on ACM’s Publications Board, and was the series editor of Synthesis Lectures on Data Management.

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