

INFORMATION PACKAGE

THE ABBFEST
CONFERENCE & CELEBRATION
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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2008

SYMPOSIUM: 8.30 AM – 5 PM

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STATA CENTER: ROOM 32-D463

BANQUET: 6 PM – 10 PM

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MIT FACULTY CLUB



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GENERAL INFORMATION

WORKSHOP

The goal of this conference to highlight recent advances, and persistent challenges, in the areas of underwater acoustics, array signal processing, underwater acoustic communications, and naval operations. It will also mark the occasion of the retirement of Professor Arthur Baggeroer.

The technical portion of the workshop consists of speakers who will present current work or review the state- of-the-art in one of the areas to which Professor Baggeroer has contributed during his career.

WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

ABBFest will be held on Saturday, October 25, 2005 at MIT. The technical session will be held at the MIT Stata Center in Room 32-D463. The banquet will be held at the MIT Faculty Club.

Registration and breakfast is at 8 am. Talks end at 5.00 PM

The banquet reception will commence at 6.00 PM while dinner will be served at 7.00 PM.

WORKSHOP ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

The conference is being organized by the former students of Professor Baggeroer.

REGISTRATION FEE

There is a fee of \$135 per person and \$75 per accompanying person. Registration details can be found at web.mit.edu/abbfest/registration.html

WEB ADDRESS

Up-to-date information on the ABBFest workshop will be available on the web at web.mit.edu/abbfest

ACCOMMODATIONS

Hotel reservations are the responsibility of the attendees. If assistance is required, please contact Ms. Shirley Entzminger at 617-253-4347.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation will be the responsibility of the attendees. For guests staying at the Kendall Square Marriott, the workshop venue is right across the street. For guests staying at the Hotel@MIT, the workshop venue is about a 5 minute walk or a short taxicab ride away. Stata center is located on 32 Vassar Street, Cambridge, MA 02139.

BANQUET

A banquet is planned for the evening (Saturday, October 25) at the MIT Faculty Club. The *banquet fee* is included in the registration fees and *separate reservations are not required* for registered attendees and any registered accompanying persons. A *cash bar* is available at the reception for cocktail purchases (*regrettably, credit cards are not accepted*) .

MESSAGE CENTER

Workshop Message Center: 857-891-8303 (on October 25th only)

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PARKING

Since the workshop is being held on a Saturday, there is plentiful free public parking available in the MIT Hayward street parking lot on Wadsworth Street adjacent to the Medical Center. (see map on last page)

This lot will be open, unattended and shared by the Institute. We therefore cannot guarantee availability, but we recommend checking it before proceeding to one of the pay lots.

Hayward Lot Directions

From Memorial Drive, turn onto Wadsworth Street and take the first left onto Amherst Street. Take the first right onto Hayward Street – the lot is located on the left.

In Google Maps you may see the [streetview](#) at the entrance by searching for 50 Hayward Street, Cambridge, MA

Paid Parking

Parking is available for a fee in Marriott parking garage on Ames Street between Legal Seafoods and the erstwhile Quantum Books.

DIRECTIONS

ABBFest will be held at the MIT Stata Center located at the northeastern edge of the MIT campus on Vassar Street near the intersection with Main Street. It is also known MIT Building number 32. It is a very unique building (see cover image and picture below). On Mapquest or Google Maps you may get directions by typing in "32 Vassar Street, Cambridge, MA 02139".

By Public Transportation (commonly called "The T"):

Subway: Take the Red Line to the Kendall/MIT Station (cost is \$1.25). When you exit the T, walk Northwest, up Main Street (you will pass the MIT Coop and Legal Seafoods). When you come to the second intersection (Vassar St.), the Stata Center is the [very unique building](#) to your left.

Bus: The #1 ("Dudley" bus) stops at MIT on Massachusetts Avenue (cost is 90 cents). The MIT stop is at a large crosswalk with a stop light. On one side of the street are steps leading up to large Ionic columns and the Small Dome of MIT, on the other side of the street is the Stratton Student Center (Building W20) and Kresge Oval (an open, grass-covered area). To get to the CSAIL, walk North (so that the steps are on your right) on Mass. Ave. Take a right at the first intersection (Vassar St.). Walk until you see the [very unique building](#) on your right at the corner of the next major intersection (Main St.). More detailed public transportation maps and schedules are available from the [MBTA](#).

From Logan International Airport:

Taxi: Taxi fare from the airport is about \$25-\$30. Under normal traffic conditions the taxi ride will take about 25 minutes.

Subway: From any terminal at Logan airport, take the airport shuttle bus to the Blue Line subway station. Take the Blue Line to the Government Center station. Go upstairs and take the Green Line to Park Street. At the Park Street station, go downstairs and take the Red Line to Kendall/MIT (take the outbound train toward Alewife). Under normal conditions the ride will take about 45 minutes. From the T stop, follow the directions above.

Car: The drive from Logan Airport can be rather nasty, depending on traffic conditions. Take the Sumner Tunnel exit from the airport (not the Ted Williams Tunnel) and follow the signs toward Boston via the Sumner Tunnel. The tunnel toll is \$3. As you exit the tunnel, take the ramp onto the expressway (I-93 North). Take the second exit, marked 'Storrow Drive West'. Immediately take the right fork of the road to a stoplight. Turn left, then immediately turn right and drive over the Charles River on the Longfellow Bridge. At the second traffic light after the river, take a left onto Ames Street and then a right onto Main Street. CSAIL will be on your left in the [very unique building](#) at the corner of Main and Vassar Street.

From I-93 (North or South):

Take Exit 26, and follow the signs to Back Bay along Storrow Drive West, approximately 1.5 miles, to the exit for Route 2A. The exit will be on the left, just before the Harvard Bridge (more appropriately called the Massachusetts Avenue Bridge). The Charles River will be on your right. As you cross the Harvard Bridge, you will be looking at MIT. Continue 1 block on Mass. Ave., until you reach Vassar St. Take a Right on Vassar St. SEA'05 is on your right in the [very unique building](#) at the corner of Vassar and Main.

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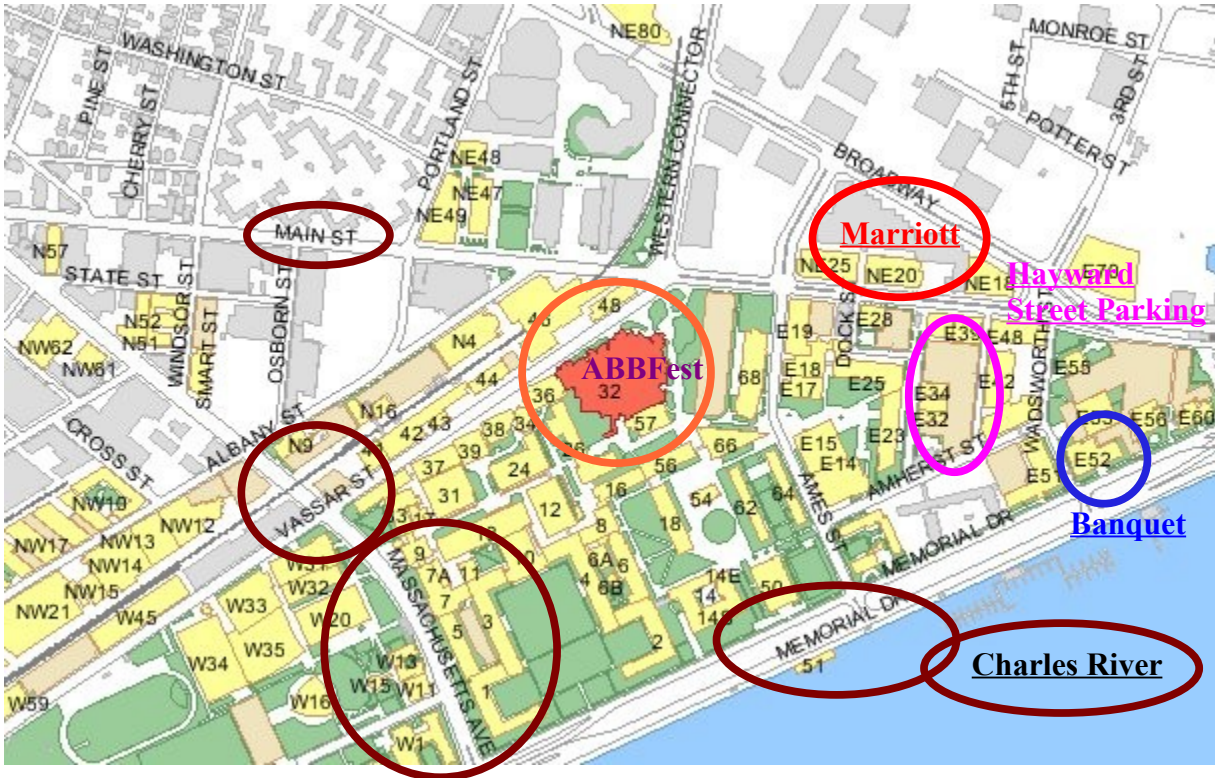
From I-95 (North or South):

Take the I-93 Exit and follow the directions above. From the Massachusetts Turnpike (I-90) (West):

Follow I-90 East to the Cambridge/Brighton exit (Exit 18). Following the signs to Cambridge (down the ramp to the right, then straight), cross the River Street Bridge, and continue straight about 1 mile to Central Square. Turn right onto Massachusetts Avenue and follow Massachusetts Avenue for about a half mile. If you cross the river again, you have gone too far. Bear left onto Main Street at the sculpture park. Follow Main Street for about 1/2 mile to the [very unique building](#) at the corner of Vassar St.



The MIT Stata Center: Venue of ABBFest.



The map above shows the venue for ABBFest in the context of Massachusetts Avenue, Vassar Street, Main Street, Memorial Drive, and the Charles River. The location of the Banquet (Faculty Club) and the MIT Hayward Street Parking Lot (between Main Street and Amherst Street) are also shown for reference.

SPEAKERS INFORMATION

FORMAT

Invited speakers are asked to prepare presentations between 25-30 minutes long. There will be 5 minutes allocated for questions and discussions.

Electronic presentations should be in Microsoft Power Point or PDF format.

VIEWGRAPHS

The workshop sponsors and participants appreciate clear and legible presentations. Toward the goal of consistent quality and legibility, we ask that presenters adhere to the following guidelines when preparing their viewgraphs.

Typeface

- Set regular text using a bold 18-point font. A bold sans serif font such as Arial or Helvetica is preferred for its readability in a large auditorium.
- Other sized fonts may be used as necessary, such as bold 28-point for titles, bold 16-point for sub-points, etc. However, do not use a font size smaller than 14-point, and always use bold fonts.

Format

- Orient the viewgraphs horizontally, i.e. in LANDSCAPE mode.
- Visually center all viewgraphs within a 9" by 7" area, with at least a 1/4 inch margin inside the frame.
- Limit your viewgraphs to 10 lines of text. Wider comprehension is aided by succinct visuals.

Graphs and Tables

- Use 2-point rules for curves. Do not use line widths smaller than 1-point anywhere on graphs or tables.
- The same rules for fonts above applies to text within all graphs and tables. It is recommended that axis labels and table headings be set with at least a 16-point font.

Images

- Ensure that all images such as photographs, artwork, etc., can be photocopied legibly. High contrast images are more easily reproduced.
- Ensure that all text appearing in the image is large and legible.

The viewgraphs on a large screen behind the speaker. Speakers are provided with a podium, microphone, laser pointer, and a cordless presenter connected to a Windows XP laptop.

It is the responsibility of the speakers to ensure that electronic copies of their presentation are submitted to Raj Rao by Wednesday, October 22, 2005. Please also have the copy for submission during registration / check-in.

Presentations are to be e-mailed to abbfest@mit.edu Additional equipment can be provided on request.

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PROCEEDINGS

The presentations will constitute the proceedings of the workshop. They will be collected at the time of registration on Saturday, October 25. They can be emailed to abbfest@mit.edu; otherwise they may be handed during registration on a CD-ROM.

DEADLINES

SPEAKERS

Title, Abstract due by **Sunday, October 19**

Electronic presentation in PDF or Microsoft Power Point Format due **Wednesday, October 22**

Deadline for requesting A/V requests
Wednesday, October 22

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