

Developments at ACM *TODS*

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The June 2004 issue of *TODS* is another blockbuster, with five papers in this issue. In fact, the first two issues of 2004 contain the same number of papers as appeared in all of 2002. While the Web is still really hot, with papers on evaluating top- k queries over the Web, XML indexing, and dynamically generated web content, this issue also has papers with innovative approaches to bulk loading and to sequence queries. And to get a head start on the September issue, check out the Upcoming Issues page (<http://www.acm.org/tods/Upcoming.html>).

I have appointed four new Associate Editors.

- **Luis Gravano** works at the juncture of databases and information retrieval, including research on distributed search over text databases, Web search, information extraction, and text mining.
- **Ralf Hartmut Güting** works on extensible and modular database system architectures, and in spatial and spatio-temporal data modeling and implementation issues, especially in the recent flavor of “moving objects databases”.
- **Hank Korth**’s most recent publications have been in the areas of XML-relational data integration and main-memory databases. He is currently addressing CPU-architecture aware query processing and also data modeling and query processing issues arising from homeland-security applications.
- **Betty Salzberg** does research on database kernel issues, in particular spatial and temporal indexing, online reorganization, and concurrency and recovery.

All four are internationally-known scholars in the field of database systems and are well known also to the database community through their past service. I’m gratified that they are willing to help *TODS* continue to improve.