From the Editor-in-Chief

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Dear Colleagues,

This is the last issue of 2013—it is a double issue. Time flies indeed. I have no idea what has transpired in 2013. I always thought that I am very well organized (I still do), but for some reason, I felt I was always behind in delivering. It is true that all of us have way too many things in our plate, thus, one may argue that being behind appears normal. However, I think that this is not the case. We live in very interesting times, much more demanding than before. As such, we have to invest more time even in simple things that we perhaps used to ignore before. This is just my observation, offering my personal experience as an example. Regardless, I sincerely hope that these holidays will give us the chance to reflect on what is going

on, spend time with our loved ones and also relax a bit (I believe I wrote ...‘relax’ correctly...).

As this is the last issue of 2013, I want to extend to all of you my most sincere thanks for contributing to JINT, for coordinating and also reviewing papers. I also want to thank the Springer team wholeheartedly for their efforts and support.

I wish to all of you a Happy and Prosperous 2014.

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