
ACP General Assembly

CP 2016

Agenda

- ❖ ACP Executive Committee: Election results
- ❖ ACP Awards
- ❖ Treasurer Reports
- ❖ Summer Schools '2016, '2017
- ❖ Constraint Journal Report [Michela M.]
- ❖ CP Conference serie
 - ❖ CP'16: Impact of tracks
 - ❖ CP'17: Collocations and tracks
 - ❖ CP'18: Call for bids
- ❖ Funding Initiatives
- ❖ CP Conference Proceedings. What next?

ACP Executive Committee

❖ Team as of January 1st 2015

- ❖ Alan Frisch 2018
- ❖ Pierre Flener (Conference Coordinator) 2016
- ❖ Christophe Lecoutre (Treasurer) 2018
- ❖ Nina Narodytska 2018
- ❖ Laurent Michel (President) 2018
- ❖ Helmut Simonis (Past President, non-voting)
- ❖ Guido Tack 2016
- ❖ Willem-Jan van Hove (Secretary) 2016

Currently

Many Thanks To...



Elected



ACP Executive Committee

❖ Team as of January 1st 2017

- ❖ Maria Garcia de la Banda 2020
- ❖ Alan Frisch 2018
- ❖ Christophe Lecoutre 2018
- ❖ Laurent Michel 2018
- ❖ Nina Narodytska 2018
- ❖ Claude-Guy Quimper 2020
- ❖ Helmut Simonis 2018
- ❖ Charlotte Truchet 2020

Election Results

Service Award



Thomas Schiex

INRA - Toulouse

Nomination: S. de Givry

Doctoral Thesis Award

- ❖ Selection committee
 - ❖ Charlotte Truchet [Chair]
 - ❖ Guido Tack
 - ❖ Russell Bent
- ❖ One Award

Doctoral Award



André Ciré

“Decision Diagrams for
Optimization”

Thesis: CMU

Advisors: J. Hooker, W-J van Hoesve

Now:

Assistant Professor of Operations
Management, Department of
Management at University of
Toronto Scarborough

Treasurer's report

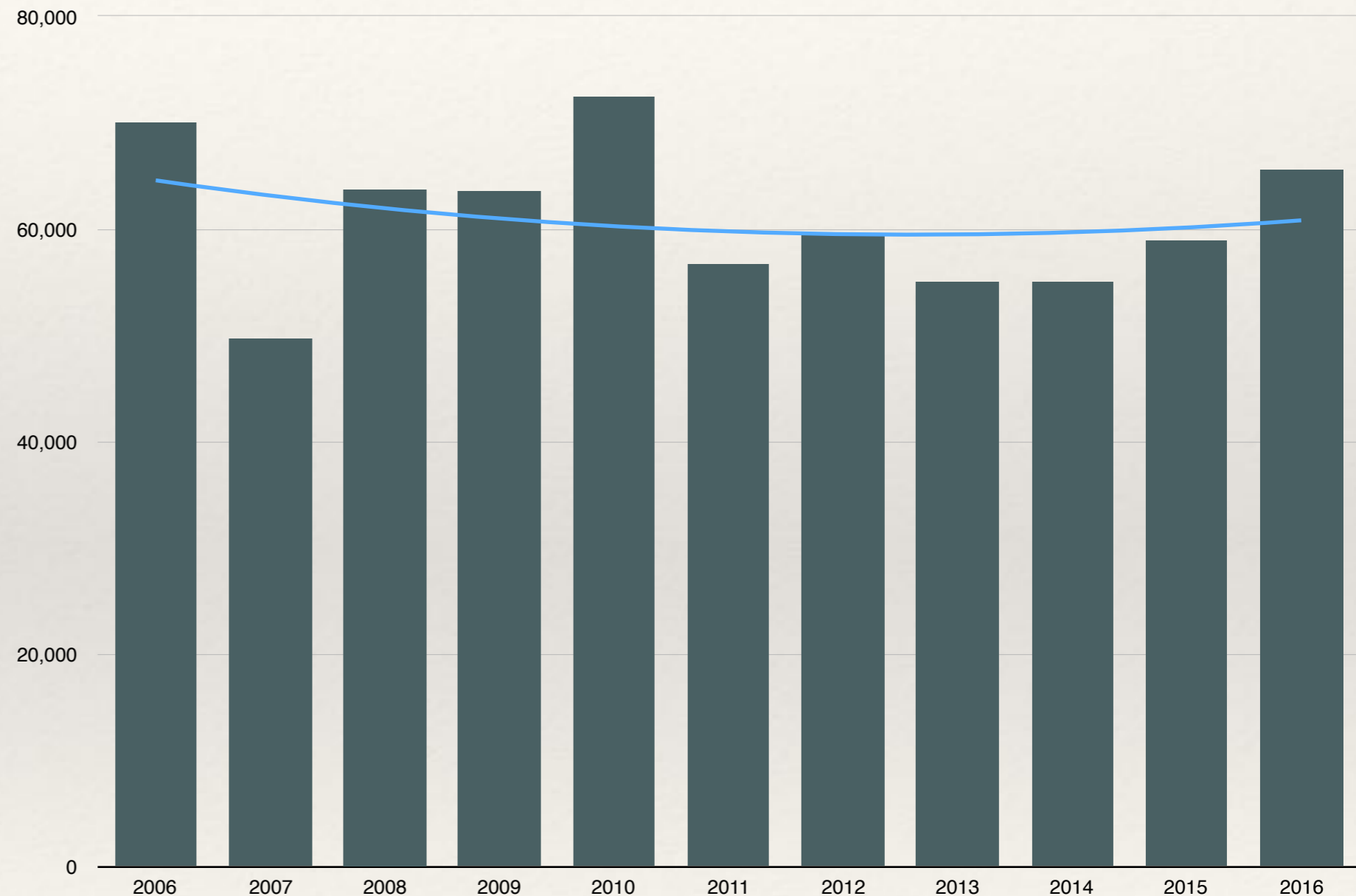


Last year		€56,301.00
In		
	Interest 2015	€480.00
	CP'15	€11,730.00
	Return CPAIOR'15	€1,500.00
	Return Summer School'15	€2,485.00
Out		
	ACP Awards 2015	€2,307.00
	CPAIOR'16 Sponsorship	€1,500.00
	JFPC'15 Sponsorship	€500.00
	NECTAR' Sponsorships	€2,044.00
	ISP Provider	€370.00
	Banking Fees	€200.00
Balance (now)		€65,575.00
Expected invoices	SPC 2016	
	Summer School'16	

Treasurer's report



Year	Amount
2006	€70,092.58
2007	€49,625.66
2008	€63,741.71
2009	€63,530.44
2010	€72,488.66
2011	€56,747.46
2012	€59,527.98
2013	€54,948.86
2014	€55,102.00
2015	€58,940.00
2016	€65,575.00



We take donations: <http://a4cp.org/sponsorships-donations>

ACP Summer School'2016



- ❖ Venue
 - ❖ Cork, Ireland : Insight/UCC
- ❖ Dates
 - ❖ June 20 - 24, 2016
- ❖ Chair
 - ❖ Helmut Simonis
- ❖ Theme
 - ❖ *Lectures & Hands-on Experience*
 - ❖ *Competition: "Interview Scheduling"*
- ❖ Participation
 - ❖ Speakers(7): N. Beldiceanu, H. Cambazard, J. Hooker, L. Kotthoff, B. O'Sullivan, J-C Régin, H. Simonis
 - ❖ Attendees(42): Including 5 industrial contacts and 4 undergraduates.

Speakers

NICOLAS BELDICEANU



TASC, Mines de Nantes,
France

HADRIEN CAMBAZARD



G-SCOP, Grenoble Institute of
Technology, Grenoble, France

JOHN HOOKER



Tepper School of Business,
Carnegie Mellon University,
Pittsburgh, USA

LARS KOTTHOFF



University of British Columbia,
Vancouver, Canada

BARRY O'SULLIVAN



Insight Centre for Data
Analytics, University College

JEAN-CHARLES RÉGIN



Université de Nice-Sophia
Antipolis, France

HELMUT SIMONIS



Insight Centre for Data
Analytics, University College

Participants



Summer School '17

- ❖ We are reviewing bid(s) for 2017....



Summer School '18

- ❖ We have a statement of intention for 2018
 - ❖ More on this next time ;-)

The Constraints Journal



REPORT YEAR 2015 -16

MICHELA MILANO
EDITOR IN CHIEF SINCE 1 JAN 2015



Editorial and Advisory Board



- **Terms:** Three years for the Editorial Board members and five years for the Advisory board members
- **Two new Editors:**
 - **Pascal Van Hentenryck** US – Survey editor
 - **Louis Martin Rousseau** CA – Application Editor
- **Four new members of the Editorial Board**
 - **David Bergman**
 - **Laurent Michel**
 - **Christine Solnon**
 - **Toby Walsh**

Editors



- **APPLICATIONS EDITOR**
 - **Louis Martin Rousseau**, Polytechnique Montréal, Canada
- **LETTERS EDITOR**
 - **Christian Schulte**, Royal Institute of Technology, Sweden
- **SURVEYS EDITOR**
 - **Pascal van Hentenryck**, The University of Michigan, USA
- **MEDIA EDITOR**
 - **Pierre Schaus**, UC Louvain, Belgium

Advertising the Constraints Journal



- Aim: Advertising the content of the Journal outside the CP community.
- Social Network:
 - Twitter account: @cp_constraints Follow us !!
- Constraints papers advertised in ACP newsletters when they appear on line

Review time



- **Aim: Shorten the time to publication**
 - First review in 6 weeks
- **Monthly report for Coordinating Editors:**
 - Beside automatic reminders, I personally solicit Coordinating Editors every months.
- **From the authors side we ask to stick to deadlines when submitting revisions**

Review time



- For year 2015

Submission to Editor Assignment Average number of days between the date the manuscript was received and the first Editor was assigned.	0.7
Submission to Reviewer Invitation Average number of days between the date the manuscript was received and the first Reviewer was invited.	13
Submission to First Decision Average number of days between the date the manuscript was received and the first decision.	33.8

PhD thesis Abstracts



- Aim: highlight recent work by PhD students in the area of Constraints.
- In conjunction with the PhD Thesis Archive
 - <http://www.a4cp.org/theses>
- First edition in the last issue of 2015 collecting abstracts of PhD theses from students who graduated in 2012-2015. Second edition on-going.
- Abstracts are not indexed as far as citations are concerned.
- Guido Tack and Christopher Mears (guest editors)

Impact factor drop



- In June 2016 the IF of 2015 has been computed and it has dropped substantially
- The definition of the IF is the following:

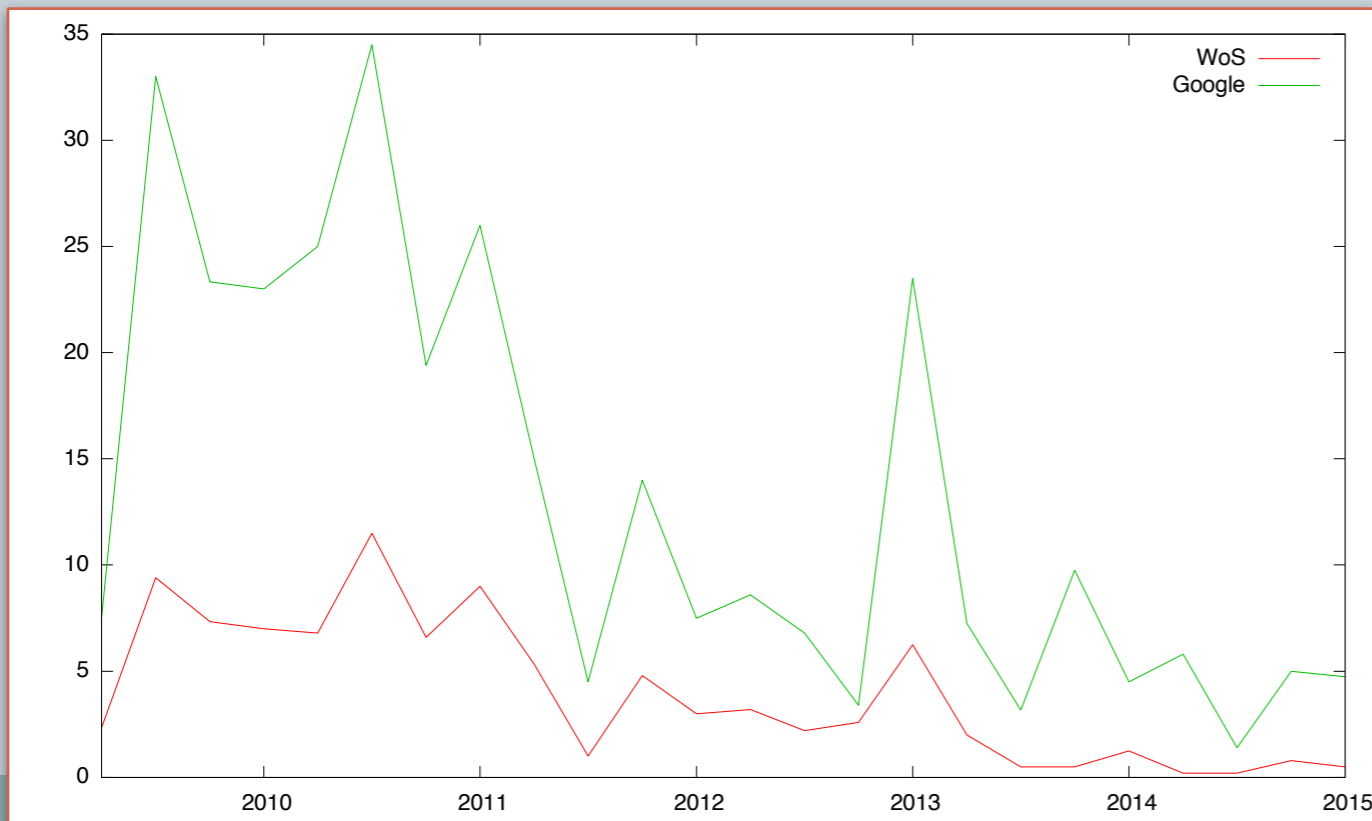
In any given year, the impact factor of a journal is the average number of citations received per paper published in that journal during the two preceding years.

- In 2015 it refers to citations from WOS received per paper published in 2014 and 2013
 - WOS does not count citations from CP conf. papers

Impact factor drop



- Started a discussion with the Advisory and Editorial board via email and it continued during the wednesday meeting.
- Here are some figures:
 - Avg number of citations per issue from WOS and Google

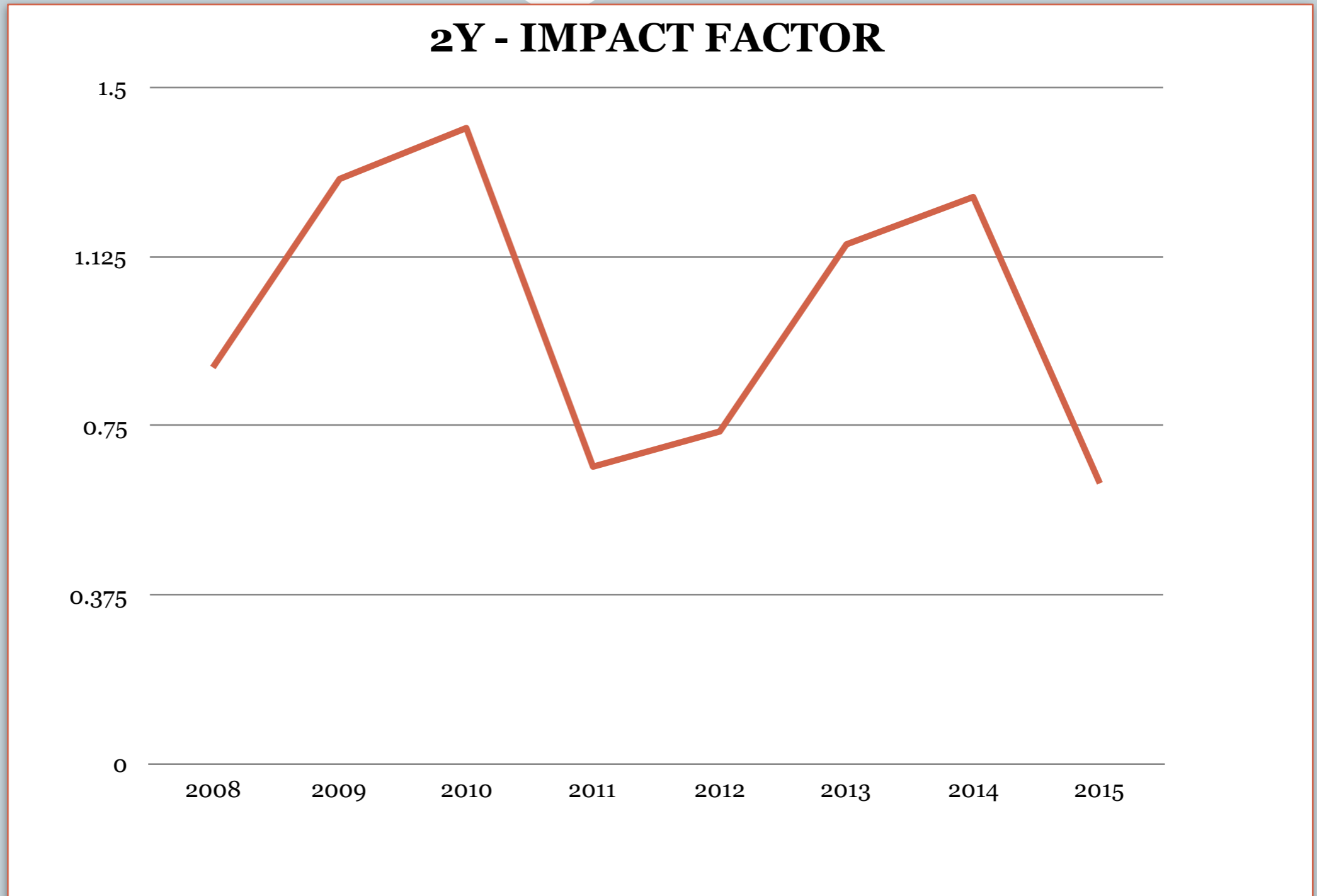


Citation data per paper from WOS and Google available upon request.
Just send me an email.

Impact factor drop



2Y-IF



Actions



- Increase number of surveys
- Special 20^o Anniversary Issue with surveys, retrospective and future view
- From the community: cite the journal paper instead of its archive/conference/workshop version
- Observe the result from the fast track papers

Fast track papers at CP and CPAIOR



- Best papers at CP and CPAIOR published directly on the Journal
- Motivations:
 - avoid duplications and citation splitting
 - Interesting results published quickly
 - Grab the best community papers
- Experimented at CPAIOR and CP 2015 and 2016

Fast track papers from CP2016



- D. Cohen, P. Jeavons *The Power of Propagation: When GAC is Enough*
- K. Dvijotham, P. Van Hentenryck, M. Chertkov, M. Vuffray, S. Misra *Graphical models for optimal power flow*
- D. Manlove, I. McBride, J. Trimble *"Almost-stable" matchings in the Hospitals / Residents problem with Couples*
- E. Hebrard, M-J Huguet, D. Veysseire, L. Boche-Sauvan, B. Cabon *Constraint Programming for Planning Test Campaigns of Telecommunication Satellites*

Fast track papers at CP and CPAIOR



- **Advantages:**

- Fast Publication of fresh interesting results
- Citations on a single paper
- No duplications
- Grab best papers

- **Concern:**

- Very short time for reviews
- Potential negative impact on the conference proceedings impact factor

CP Conference serie

- ❖ Noteworthy
 - ❖ CP'16: Impact of tracks
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CP'2016



- ❖ Brief Recap
 - ❖ A new track format: (Technical + 5)
 - ❖ 154 submissions
 - ❖ Includes: “Journal First” and “Sister Conference”
 - ❖ 235 attendees
 - ❖ 25 students in DP
- ❖ Encouraging statistics
 - ❖ Thematic tracks will be back in 2017 and 2018.

CP'2017

- ❖ Program Chair

- ❖ Chris Beck



- ❖ Conference Chair

- ❖ Guido Tack, P. Stuckey

- ❖ Location

- ❖ Melbourne, Australia

- ❖ Organization

- ❖ Co-location with: SAT, ICLP

- ❖ Week prior: IJCAI

CP'2018

- ❖ Where are we?

**WE WANT TO
HEAR FROM
YOU!**



Funding Initiatives

- ❖ Implemented
 - ❖ Incubator workshop calls
 - ❖ CP Papers @ nectar tracks
- ❖ Under Consideration
 - ❖ CP Teaching Material
 - ❖ Competition

CP Conference Proceedings



- ❖ What the future holds...