Call For Papers

AOHPS: 1st Workshop on Application-Oriented High-Performance Systems

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Application-oriented systems are designed to meet the needs of a single application or a small set of applications. Recently, high-performance computing technologies ranging from cluster computing to FPGAs have made it relatively easy to tune the design of a system for a particular application. When a computer system will be used primarily for a single application or a small set of applications, optimizing it for that workload often yields much shorter execution time, lower purchase price, less power consumption, smaller size, and/or lower operating cost.

Component prices have fallen far enough that applicationoptimized systems containing hundreds or thousands of components can be purchased with a modest budget. While such a large-scale design may yield the best performance for a given purchase price, component replacement, power consumption, cooling, and system maintenance costs can add up to a large percentage of the purchase price.

This workshop solicits papers in areas related to design, implementation, and experience with high-performance application-oriented computer systems. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Application-aware design of parallel architectures
- Tools and models for application-oriented cluster design
- System life cycle, reliability, and maintenance
- Tools, performance models, and experiences toward turnkey cluster applications
- Practice and experience with application-specific computer system design
- Cluster-in-context, environmentally-aware design
- Life-cycle issues, TCO & maintenance, packaging and power/cooling issues
- Application-oriented models and tools for design, implementation, and operation of embedded systems