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Editor's Notes

By Howard Callif

This edition has a wide variety of articles. Our feature for this month is on cluster modeling to save computing resources, and we would be very interested in hearing from people whether they'll consider this technique. We have a growing base of people submitting articles on a regular basis, and I want to thank all of them for their hard work! Please consider submitting an article too! I'd also like to call special attention to the second "Call for Illustration System Articles"—we are hoping to begin a series of articles on software used to sell and market insurance products.

The Editor's column in the last issue published a letter from Will Slade asking about information on source code control. I tried getting permission to reprint the article he suggested ("Where's the Real Bottleneck in Scientific Computing," *American Scientist*, by Gregory Wilson), but they do not allow this. I will try to find other resources or articles, because this is a relevant topic. In the meantime, they do allow posting of a link, so here it is: <http://www.americanscientist.org/issues/id.3473.y.0.no.,content.true.page.1.css.print/issue.aspx>

There is an additional letter I'd like to share:

From: Marler, Carol (GE, Corporate) [<mailto:Carol.Marler@ge.com>]

Subject: RE: April issue of the Technology section newsletter

To follow up, I am told that the Winchester House article is now a topic of conversation throughout our Corporate IT department. Thanks.

From: Marler, Carol (GE, Corporate)

Sent: Friday, May 01, 2009 11:05 AM

I love the letters to the editor column. And I have already shared the Winchester House article with some (non-actuarial) co-workers. Keep up the good work!

EDITOR'S REPLY: Thanks for your feedback, and your contributions! ■



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