FOREWORD

Special Section on Recent Development of Electro-Mechanical Devices

Electro-Mechanical Devices (EMD) committee has annually held an International Session on EMD (IS-EMD) to discuss the research results on EMD with not only domestic but foreign researchers since 2001. Moreover, IEICE has annually published special section on the recent development of EMD at the timing to synchronize with the IS-EMD. The special issue has been well-known among the worldwide EMD researchers as a result of the strategic activities of the EMD committee. The 20th IS-EMD (online style) was held on December 4th, 2020. This special section was planned to coincide with the timing of the 20th IS-EMD. In this special section, one paper is selected from submitted papers by the Editorial Committee. The paper is interesting for the readers who have basic electrical engineering research issues.

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