

Message from the Editor

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In the past, authors of mid-year conference papers were encouraged to submit their papers to the Journal since the proceedings were not widely distributed – only given to conference attendees. However, since 2004, the proceedings of the mid-year conference have been published on the division website (<http://edgd.asee.org/conferences/proceedings.htm>) and are no longer considered to have “limited circulation.” Therefore, papers submitted to a mid-year conference or an annual conference must be significantly different from papers submitted to the Journal.

In the future, the mid-year conference submission process will be modified to encourage EDGD members to both participate in mid-year conferences and be able to submit their work to the journal, without being a duplicate publication. For example, publishing the abstracts from the mid-year conference, would allow authors to expand their work into a full paper for submission to the Journal.

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