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Abstracts must be received by August 5, 2002. Late news is generally not accepted at this conference. However a late abstract may be considered if the results are dramatic, significant and the implications are far-reaching. The procedure for submitting late news is identical to that for submitting regular abstracts.

Typically about 60 papers are accepted at the SISC. The topics of such papers have varied over the years, as shown in the fabricated example for a figure, *viz.* Figure 1. The figure caption fonts are smaller, and the figures (**black and white or gray scale *only***) must still be legible. As shown in this example, a figure may be inset in a paragraph, so the space on each page may be efficiently utilized. However, this is not required. Figures may be grouped at the end, as shown with the fabricated Figures 2 and 3, or inserted between paragraphs (not illustrated). Of course, the inset paragraph idea works best if there is enough text to fill up the space opposite the table.
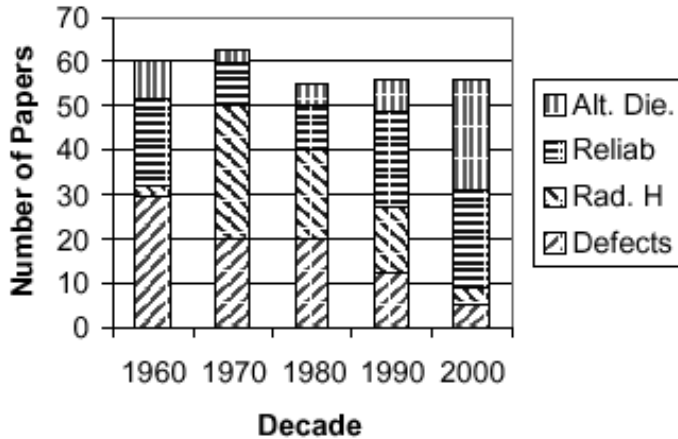
Figure 1. Fabricated data illustrating the shift in popular topics at the SISC. Any similarity between this and actual history is coincidental. Color in figures are NOT reproducible in the SISC Abstract book.

For your amusement, we have fabricated other sets of data to demonstrate an abstract with three figures. You may use up to six figures, but this significantly limits the available text space. The data in Figures 2 and 3 reflect a personal opinion on what makes SISC such a great conference. The technical content of the papers are highly educational, and give insight and a new perspective. But, the people of the conference are truly outstanding and the social functions allow interaction with the greatest and best in this field.

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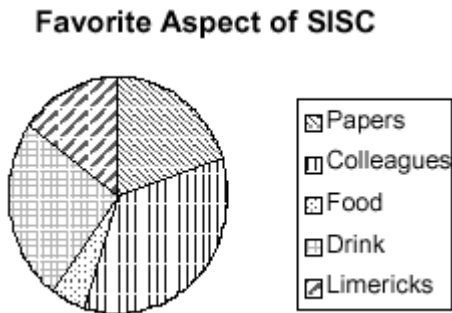
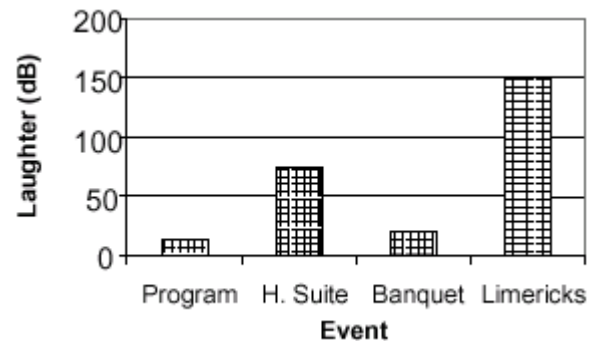Figure 2. An opinion on the favorite aspects of the SISC. Color figures can NOT be reproduced.

Figure 3. A measure of the amusement observed at various SISC events.

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[1] IEDM, MRS, and ECS to name a few.

[2] For example, this reference.

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