Dijkstra Prize Papers

In each of the past six years, a prize has been awarded to a research paper that has had a strong impact on research in the area of distributed algorithms. The prize was originally called the “PODC Influential Paper Award”. After the death of Edsger Dijkstra, one of the pioneers of the field, in August, 2002, the prize was renamed the “Dijkstra Prize”, in his honor.

We will study the key contributions of all six of these papers during this semester. In case you want to read the original papers for yourselves, here is a list:


