

## Guidelines for Extended Abstract Preparation

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### Extended Abstract

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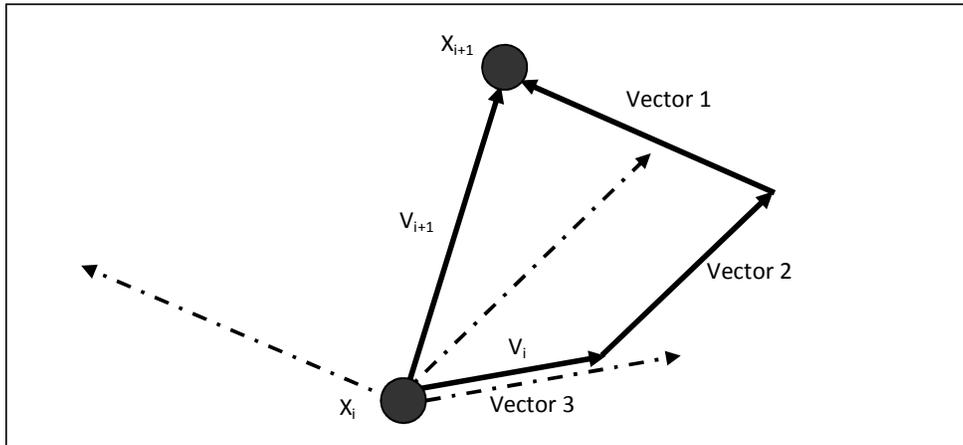
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Date	Activity
15 March 2017	Submission of extended abstract
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20 April 2017	Early bird payment
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**Figure 1: The Drawing Canvas**

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