Experience of attending "12th International Conference of Advanced Computing & Communication --- Theme: Grid Computing" by Ankur Patel

The conference held from 15th Dec, 2004 to 18th Dec., 2004 (4 days). The first day started at AMA(Ahmedabad Management Association) with an excellent lecture by Dr. Rajkumar Buyya. He explained concept & issues of "Grid Computing" for almost 2 hours (9-00 morning to 10-45). I would say, he is the "authority" of the grid computing. His book is considered as a text book for High Performance Computing & not available in India as of today. We were fortunate to listen to Dr. Rajkumar Buyya. After the lecture, there was a tea break.

Another session was in continuation of the first by Dr. Buyya. He explained the E-Science applications of Grid Computing. Everything is E - E-commerce, E-business and same way E-Science). The session was almost for 2 hours (11-00 to 1-00).

After this lecture, there was a lunch break. Thanks to Dr. Pradhan for arranging the food coupons for us. (Myself, Ullas Sutariya, Agrawal Sir & Madhuri madam). After the lunch, there was a session from Infosys by Dr. Anirban Chakravarti. The subject was "Grid Security", but he explained general security concepts like Public Key & Private key etc. Also, his speech was too monotonous. It was a boring...
session, and it was arranged just after a lunch...so you can imagine, how sweet sleep I can get!!!

After Infosys session, there was another tea break. After that a session from IBM was arranged, but they didn't appear for it, so it was taken by Dr. Rajkumar Buyya (4-30 to 6-00). Again very informative session from him. It was related to GridSim - a toolkit to simulate the Grid environment. It was really very informative session.

After 6-00, it was really exhaustive for me. Too much information was bombarded, so I ended the conference day at around 6-00.

Conclusion: If I compare all the 4 days of the conference, I enjoyed the first day very very very much. It was very informative. And thanks to Dr. Buyya for it. He talked almost 6 hours on that day. I was so impressed from the presentation, that I went to home and directly went to his web-site for more information.

If anyone is interested to know more about "Grid Computing":
http://www.gridbus.orghttp://www.buyya.com

I have downloaded lots of useful material & presentation of Dr. Rajkumar Buyya. If anyone is interested, contact me.

Other 3 days (16th,17th,18th Dec., 2004) were at Nirma University Campus. The inaugural speech on 16th was very encouraging & thrilling. I have attended many presentations during these 3 days, but in my opinion it was all theoretical & repetition of the first day I attended at AMA. In these 3 days, I enjoyed talking with Dr. Buyya (from Australia - authority in Grid Computing), Dr. David Kahaner(Founding Director of Asia Technology Information Program from USA), S.S. Iyengar(from USA), Keyur Patel(from Australia). Dr. Scoot David(Intel, USA). I was fortunate to have a talk, breakfast & lunch with these highly qualified personalities. (and photos too!!!).

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