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➔ **Anniversary :-)**

No. 97 may not strike you as an important number, but with two issues a month since its inception, The Kit is now exactly four years old. You can help it grow older and bolder by sending your comments and suggested articles.

➔ **Erratum :-)**

In the last issue, the name of entrepreneur Seth Godin, author of the quote listed in the "Seen recently" section, was misspelled.

➔ **ACM Learning Center Update**

The Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) published its latest hit parade of popular online learning content. The books are available free of charge to ACM members and to subscribers to Safari Books Online or Books 24x7. These titles are:

- ASP.NET MVC 4 (video)
- Learning Whitehat Hacking and Penetration Testing
- NoSQL Distilled
- Head First HTML and CSS
- iOS Programming: The Big Nerd Ranch Guide
- Programming in Scala
- Matlab: A Practical Introduction to Programming and Problem Solving, 2nd Ed.
- RHCSA/RHCE Red Hat Linux Certification Study Guide (Exams EX200 & EX300), 6th Ed.
- Learning Python Programming (video)
- Head First Design Patterns

➔ **Data Protection & Privacy Conference**

The 4th Annual Data Protection and Privacy Conference will take place in Brussels on September 17, 2013.

"Taking place as the EU institutions continue to negotiate the reformed Data Protection Regulation, this event will bring together senior policymakers and stakeholders from Europe and beyond for a lively and interactive discussion on what the new rules might look like, and what their impact will be for businesses, governments, consumers, and ultimately for the wider privacy landscape."

➔ **Information Mining and Management**

Want an invitation to Lisbon? The deadline to submit papers to the 3rd International Conference on Advances in Information Mining and Management is June 26. The conference itself will take place on November 17-22.

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Knowledge Discovery, Engineering, etc.

Another conference in Portugal! The deadline for papers has passed, but the International Joint Conference on Knowledge Discovery, Knowledge Engineering and Knowledge Management (IC3K) will take place in Vilamoura, Algarve, Portugal, on September 19-22, 2013.



Domain-Specific Languages

Patrick Viry, of Semantic Designs, recommends Markus Voelter's book "DSL Engineering: Designing, Implementing and Using Domain-Specific Languages." Patrick says that while the book was written by Markus as a marketing tool for his consulting business, "the result is brilliant."



Seen Recently...

"So, here's the insight I'm currently tossing around in my head: The problem is that software isn't built; it's written. The final product is not like the Bay Bridge. It's like a novel."

-- Kurt Leafstrand, VP Products at Clari, on his [blog](#)

"No, that's not right. [...] Maybe you're writing novels, but most of us are doing improv theater."

-- Kellan Elliott-McCrea, responding on his blog, [Laughing Meme](#)