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Preface

This volume contains the proceedings of the Seventh Conference on Computer Aided Verification (CAV'95), held in Liège, Belgium, on July 3-5, 1995.

The objective of the CAV conferences is to bring together researchers and practitioners who are interested in the theory and practice of computer-assisted formal verification. Though originally oriented towards finite-state concurrent systems, CAV covers all styles of verification approaches and a variety of application areas. The contributions presented at CAV range from theory to concrete applications, but its emphasis is on verification tools and the algorithms and techniques that are needed for their implementation.

Of the 77 papers submitted this year, 31 were accepted for presentation. Invited talks were given by R. Bryant (Carnegie-Mellon University), P. Cousot (Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris), and E. A. Emerson (University of Texas, Austin). The trend to generalize beyond finite-state systems has definitely continued this year as witnessed by the contributions on general symbolic approaches, on the use of abstraction, and on theorem-proving based approaches. Real-time and hybrid systems are still an important part of the conference. Also, several papers are devoted to the problem of synthesizing (rather than verifying) a concurrent module. Finally, papers describing applications, tools, or experiments are well represented in the conference.

The program committee was very active in reviewing the papers and shaping the final program. This year the program committee members were R. Alur (AT&T Bell Labs, USA), R. Brayton (U. of California, Berkeley, USA), C. Courcoubetis (U. of Crete & ICS-FORTH, Greece), W. Damm (C. v. Ossietzki U., Oldenburg, Germany), R. de Simone (INRIA, Sophia-Antipolis, France), R. Devillers (Free U. of Brussels, Belgium), E. Allen Emerson (U. of Texas, USA), S. Garland (MIT, USA), O. Grumberg (Technion, Israel), N. Halbwachs (VERIMAG, France), T. Henzinger (Cornell U., USA), R. Koymans (Philips Res. Labs, The Netherlands), G. Leduc (U. of Liège, Belgium), K. McMillan (Cadence Berkeley Labs, USA), J. Parrow (SICS, Sweden), N. Shankar (SRI International, USA), F. Somenzi (U. of Colorado, Boulder, USA), B. Steffen (U. of Passau, Germany), P. Varaiya (U. of California, Berkeley, USA), M. Vardi (Rice U., USA), and T. Yoneda (Tokyo Inst. of Technology, Japan).

The Program Committee Chair and General Chair of the conference was Pierre Wolper of the University of Liège. Last year's Program and General Chair D. Dill (Stanford U., USA), as well as the Steering Committee consisting of the conference founders E. Clarke (Carnegie Mellon U., USA), R. Kurshan (AT&T Bell Labs, USA), A. Pnueli (Weizmann Inst., Israel), and J. Sifakis (VERIMAG, France) provided valuable advice on the organization of the conference.

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