Preface

WET ICE '98 (the seventh WET ICE) was held at Stanford University, Palo Alto, California, June 17-19, 1998. It was highly successful. There were five parallel workshops this year on specialized subtopics. WET ICE '98 ran for three full days instead of 2+ days — a new feature this year. The 114 participants were from 15 different countries maintaining the international character of the workshops. A significant number of good quality papers were received by each workshop; about 50% -the 54 papers included in these proceedings -were accepted for publication. We had three plenary session speakers from California presenting very interesting talks from industry and academic perspectives: Dr. Li Gong, Java Security Architect, Sun Microsystems; Professor Hector Garcia-Molina, Professor of Computer Science, Stanford University; and Dr. Jay Marty Tenenbaum, Chairman/Chief Scientist, Veo Systems Inc. Miroslav Benda, the General Co-chair of the workshop, gave the workshop charge of “Trade-off” as the main theme. Each workshop presented a five-minute “mid-term” group report on the second day after lunch. On the final day, the best paper from each of the workshop was announced and the overall best paper award was presented. These are specially marked in the Proceedings. We thank the Workshop Chairs and the Review Committee for ensuring the high quality of the workshops.

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