

Foreword

This volume contains a selection of papers that have been presented at the first *Combinatorial Pattern Matching* school, held in Paris during July 1990. The school presented to young researchers a wide variety of combinatorial methods used in the domain of Pattern Recognition, through lectures delivered by A.V. Aho, A. Apostolico, M. Crochemore, Z. Galil and E. Ukkonen.

Other researchers have also presented their own works and the whole result is a kind of panorama of what is being done in the domain of Pattern Matching and its applications.

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