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Preface

Automated Deduction in Geometry (ADG) is a series of international workshops where active researchers exchange ideas and views, present research results and progress, and demonstrate software tools on the *intersection* between geometry and automated deduction. This volume contains several excellent papers (selected via peer review) based on the talks given at the ADG 2004 meeting hosted by the University of Florida, USA, during September 16–18, 2004. The previous four meetings were held in Linz (2002), Zurich (2000), Beijing (1998), and Toulouse (1996).

This volume consists of 12 papers. The paper by Laura I. Meikle and Jacques D. Fleuriot shows how to prove the correctness of an algorithm for computing convex hulls, by using Hoare logic and Isabelle. The paper by Judit Robu, Tetsuo Ida, Dorin Tepeneu, Hidekazu Takahashi, and Bruno Buchberger shows how to prove the correctness of an origami construction (heptagon), by using the Theorema system and Gröbner bases. The paper by Xuefeng Chen, Peng Li, Long Lin, and Dingkang Wang shows how to treat degenerate cases in geometric theorems rigorously, by introducing partitioned-parametric Gröbner bases. The paper by *Pavel Pech* shows how to derive formulas for the area and radius of cyclic polygons, by using Gröbner bases. The paper by Lu Yang and Zhenbing Zeng shows how to solve certain piano movers' problems, by using a specialized real quantifier elimination method (discriminant chains). The paper by Daniel Lichtblau shows how to compute curves bounding trigonometric planar maps, by using Gröbner bases and some numerical methods. The paper by Francisco Botana and Tomás Recio tackles several non-trivial problems (continuity, locus generation, proving, and discovering) arising in dynamic geometry, by using Gröbner bases and other symbolic ideas and methods. The paper by Britta Denner-Broser tackles other non-trivial problems (tracing and reachability) arising in dynamic geometry, by introducing an alternative method (to the standard purely algebraic method). The paper by *Tielin Liang* and *Dongming* Wang describes the design and a prototype for an object-oriented language suitable for (parametrically) computing, reasoning about, and visualizing geometric objects. The paper by Dmytro Chibisov, Ernst W. Mayr, and Sergey Pankratov shows how to solve the motion planning problem, by using real quantifier elimination and R-functions. The paper by Hongbo Li shows how to reconstruct an nD polyhedral scene from a single 2D line drawing, by using Grassmann–Cayley algebra and various other tools along with carefully chosen heuristics. The paper by Gui-Fang Zhang and Xiao-Shan Gao introduces planar generalized Stewart platforms and provides a complete characterization.

We, the editors, on behalf of the organizers, thank the speakers and the authors for their excellent talks and papers. On behalf of the speakers and the authors, we would like to thank Neil White, the General Chair of ADG 2004, for organizing the wonderful meeting, and Manfred Minimair, the Publicity Chair, for making this emerging field known to wider communities. We would also like to thank the Program Committee members (listed on the next page) for lending all their time and expertise in ensuring the high quality of the talks and the papers. Due to all their tireless effort, the meeting was highly successful, fostering lively and insightful discussions, which certainly inspired the papers published in this volume. We eagerly look forward to meeting again in 2006 to share all the new exciting progress being made!

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