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Preface

This volume originates from a workshop organized by ESPRIT project no. 432 METEOR in Mierlo, The Netherlands, September 1989. The workshop was a successor to an earlier one held in Passau, Germany, June 9-11 1987, the proceedings of which have been published as Lecture Notes in Computer Science Volume 394.

At the workshop, six invited talks were given by A. Finkelstein, C.B. Jones, P. Klint, C.A. Middelburg, E.-R. Olderog and H.A. Partsch.

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This volume contains five invited contributions and ten papers by the METEOR team based on talks that were presented at the workshop. The invited talk of Jones led to a paper by Feijs on modularizing the formal description of a database which has been included as well.

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