

Preface

This is the preliminary publication of the papers to be presented at the International Seminar on Machine Translation being held at the Cranfield Institute of Technology under the organization of that college and the Natural Language Translation Specialist Group of The British Computer Society, February 13th-15th 1984.

Whilst every care has been taken in the preparation of these papers for printing, the very tight timescales have meant that errors and omissions are inevitable. In particular, a number of papers were not received in time for them to be included here. For all of these I offer my apologies, and the assurances that our best endeavours will be used to ensure that the definitive version of the proceeding to be published after the conference will rectify as many mistakes as we can find, or are informed of.

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