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Preface

The present proceedings assemble the contributions to the second workshop on "Scientific Computing in Chemical Engineering". The two volumed edition covers the wide spectrum of computational activities in chemical process engineering encompassing tasks from process development, process design and optimization to process operations and control. The increasing performance of computers and the rapid advancement of numerical techniques encourages the employment of more sophisticated models. Quantum chemical approaches, molecular dynamics and Monte Carlo methods penetrate engineering design of catalysts and the calculation of phase transfer phenomena. Computational fluid dynamics of multi-phase flow is now a standard tool in chemical plant design. Numerical simulations replace time consuming and, therefore, expensive experiments to an ever increasing extent. The present workshop reflects these developments.

The large number of contributions made it necessary to split the proceedings into two volumes. We grouped the contributions into ten sections with the headings *Simulation of Reactive Flows*, *Reaction Engineering*, *Reaction Diffusion Problems*, *Molecular Properties*, *Computer Aided Process Design*, *Combustion and Flame*, *Image Processing*, *Optimization*, *Control* and *Neural Networks*. The present volume deals with the first four of them including the invited presentations related to these topics. The companion volume deals with the remaining six.

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