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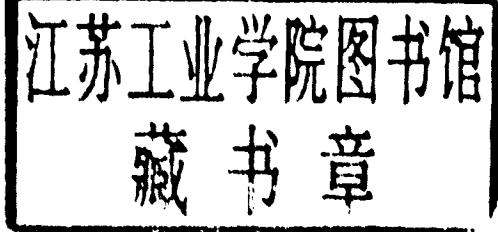
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Preface

Welcome to the 7th Asian Conference on Computer Vision. It gives us great pleasure to bring forth its proceedings. ACCV has been making its rounds through the Asian landscape and came to India this year. We are proud of the technical program we have put together and we hope you enjoy it.

Interest in computer vision is increasing and ACCV 2006 attracted about 500 submission. The evaluation team consisted of 27 experts serving as Area Chairs and about 270 reviewers in all. The whole process was conducted electronically in a double-blind manner, a first for ACCV. Each paper was assigned to an Area Chair who found three competent reviewers for it. We were able to contain the maximum load on the reviewers to nine and the average load to less than six. The review form had space for qualitative and quantitative evaluation of the paper on nine aspects. The submitted reviews underwent an elaborate process. First, they were seen by the Area Chair, who resolved divergences of opinion among reviewers, if any. The Area Chair then wrote qualitative comments and a quantitative score along with his/her initial recommendation on the paper. These were looked at by Program Co-chairs and compiled into a probables list. The Area Chairs and Program Co-chairs met in Beijing during ICCV to discuss this list and arrived at the final list of 64 oral papers and 128 posters. Naturally, many deserving papers could not be accommodated.

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ACCV has been gaining in stature as a platform to showcase the best of computer vision research over the years. We hope the 2006 edition has brought it forward at least a little. Computer vision continues to be an exciting area and conferences like these provide the much needed light to many who will embark on a journey down its path.

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