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As Program Chair of SANTA FE SUMMIT ’97, the task of editing this report naturally fell to me. In a very real sense, it has been a joy. Yes, there have been missed deadlines, confusions about intent and language and format, disagreements about what’s in and what’s out, and the expected share of baffling computer accidents. But in the process I have worked with colleagues across the country who have been unfailingly responsive, cordial, competent and committed to this effort. The hours of professional and personal time that are reflected in these relatively few pages is almost incalculable—and the value of the process alone, without price.

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