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Techniques based on formal methods, such as the language of CSP (Communicating Sequential Processes) have proven to be the most successful means of conquering complexity in the specification of concurrent, embedded, real-time and distributed systems. In this third edition, the author has arranged the material in five major parts: context, tools, techniques, methods, management and discipline. Within the parts, popular chapters have been retained and updated to reflect modern developments in the area of information systems development. A number of new chapters have been included on such topics as object-oriented analysis and design methods, rapid applications development and business process re-engineering. Each chapter contains a number of case studies illustrating the frameworks, techniques and concepts discussed. A number of exercises are also included to test the understanding of the material. The book will appeal as a core text for first and second level undergraduate students taking information systems development modules on a computer science, computer studies, information systems of business studies course. Object-orientation and the need for multi-paradigmatic systems constitute a challenge for researchers, practitioners and instructors. Presentations at the OCG/NJSZT joint conference in Klagenfurt, Austria, in September 1992 addressed these issues. The proceedings comprise such topics as: project management, artificial intelligence - modelling aspects, artificial intelligence - tool building aspects, language features, object-oriented software development, the challenge of coping with complexity, methodology, and experience, software engineering education, science policy, etc. System Requirements Engineering presents a balanced view of the issues, concepts, models, techniques and tools found in requirements engineering research and practice. Requirements engineering is presented from business, behavioural and software engineering perspectives and a general framework is established at the outset. This book considers requirements engineering as a combination of three concurrent and interacting processes: eliciting knowledge related to a problem domain, ensuring the validity of such knowledge and specifying the problem in a formal way. Particular emphasis is given to requirements elicitation techniques and there is a fully integrated treatment of the development of requirements specifications through enterprise modelling, functional requirements and non-functional requirements. You might expect that a person invited to contribute a foreword to a book on the subject of professionalism would himself be a professional of exemplary standing. I am gladdened by that thought, but also disquieted. The disquieting part of it is that if I am a professional, I must be a professional something, but what? As someone who has tried his best for the last thirty years to avoid doing anything twice, I lack one of the most important characteristics of a professional, the dedicated and persistent pursuit of a single direction. For the purposes of this foreword, it would be handy if I could think of myself as a professional abstractor. That would allow me to offer up a few useful abstractions about professionalism, patterns that might illuminate the essays that follow. I shall try to do this by proposing three successively more complex models of professionalism, ending up with one that is uncomfortably soft, but still, the best approximation I can make of what the word means to me. The first of these models I shall designate Model Zero. I intend a pejorative sense to this name, since the attitude represented by Model Zero is retrograde and offensive but nonetheless common. In this model, the word "professionalism" is a simple surrogate for compliant uniformity.