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## PREFACE

This volume contains the papers that were read during a conference on Sāṃkhya held in Lausanne from 6 to 8 November 1998. The conference was structured around four questions, which the participants had been asked to address in their papers. They are:

1. What do we know about pre-classical Sāṃkhya and how does it relate to the classical school?
2. What can we learn about the classical school by systematically exploring sources of information belonging to other traditions?
3. How is the apparent ambiguity between psychology and cosmology in classical Sāṃkhya to be interpreted?
4. What is the precise relationship between Sāṃkhya and Yoga?

The sequence of the papers, during the conference and in this volume, approximately follows the above order.

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