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PROJECTS

This department welcomes brief notes and article-length manuscripts. The former may include announcements of contemplated ongoing projects, information on doctoral theses in progress or completed (writer, title, institution, supervisor, and available information on completion time), proposals and questions, and requests for assistance. Announcements of individual research projects, including theses, are very important to avoid awkward and wasteful duplication of effort. Articles will ordinarily describe projected, in progress, or completed large-scale projects involving one or several scholars and should follow the same standards as other articles.

The Research Group REHSEIS in Paris

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In order to increase scientific contacts between historians of science *Historia Mathematica* is making known the existence of research groups throughout the world. There are several such groups of the CNRS (National Center of Scientific Research) in Paris, which will be described. One of them is REHSEIS: *Recherches Epistémologiques et Historiques sur les Sciences Exactes et les Institutions Scientifiques*.

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About 25 scholars belong to the group which deals especially with two major research projects:

1. Sciences during the French Revolution
2. Imperial science, scientific contacts between Europe and dominated countries during the 18th century

The following scholars are mentioned together with their research projects:

1. Bénédicte Bureaux: Lagrange's number theory
2. Karine Chemla: Chinese mathematics
3. Pierre Crépel: Probability theory

4. Dominique Flament: History of complex numbers. He (together with Bernd Bekemeier, FRG) is preparing an annotated French translation of H. Grassmann's *Ausdehnungslehre*

5. Christian Gilain: Theory of differential equations (Poincaré); Cauchy's course of lectures (differential equations and integral calculus during the 19th century)

6. Catherine Jami: Chinese mathematics

7. Jean-Luc Verley: Functions of one complex variable

8. Martin Zerner (Nice, member of the group GRIMM): Differential and integral calculus since Jordan