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Preface

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The International Workshop on Nonnegative Matrices, Applications and Generalizations was held on 31 May–4 June, 1993 at the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa, Israel. It was followed by the Eighth Haifa Matrix Theory Conference, held on 7–10 June, 1993. These activities concluded a special month devoted to linear algebra, organized by the Institute of Advanced Studies in Mathematics at the Technion.

The program consisted of 40 talks at the workshop and 67 talks at the conference, given by speakers from Argentina, Australia, Azerbaidjan, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, The Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Taiwan, and the United States. The proceedings of the workshop and the conference are published in this issue. It concludes 20 refereed papers.

The workshop and conference were supported in part by the Division of Continuing Education at the Technion, the Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities, the Israel Mathematical Union, and Discount Bank. The organizing committee of the workshop consisted of Abraham Berman, Daniel Hershkowitz and Raphael Loewy (Chairman). The organizing committee of the conference consisted of these three people along with Moshe Goldberg, Leonid Lerer and Abraham Zaks.

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