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Communications :

(I) Conferences for Young Algebraists

Klaus Denecke*

The following list gives some information on the future conferences of young algebraists:

1. CYA (77. AAA), Potsdam, February 2009
(dedicated to K. Denecke)
2. AAA Bern (Switzerland), June 11-14, 2009
3. CYA (79. AAA), Olomouc (Czech Republic), February 2010

See also pages 10 and 11 of Notices from the ISMS, January 2007.

(II) Call for Proposals and Organizers for Special Sessions in IVMS 2008 and IVMS 2009

Please see pages 18 to 20 of Notices from the ISMS, March 2008.

(III) The 7th International Conference on Optimization: Techniques and Applications (ICOTA7)

Communicated by Wuyi Yue**

The 7th International Conference on Optimization: Techniques and Applications (ICOTA7) was held during December 12-15, 2007 in Kobe, Japan as follows. The ISMS was one of the sponsors.

The International Conference on Optimization: Techniques and Applications (ICOTA) is an official conference series of Pacific Optimization Research Activity Group (POP). The goal of ICOTA is to provide an international forum for scientists, researchers and software developers to exchange ideas, to present latest research findings and state-of-the-art solutions, to share experiences on potentials and limits, and to open new avenues of research and developments on all issues and topics related to optimization and its applications.

Motivated by the big success of previous ICOTA conferences (Singapore, 1987; Singapore, 1992; China, 1995; Australia, 1998; Hong Kong, 2001; Australia, 2004), we have organized ICOTA7 in Kobe, Japan. This was the first time for an ICOTA conference to be held in Japan.

ICOTA7 was organized by the Institute of Intelligent Information and Communications Technology (IICT) of Konan University and it was held at the International Conference Center, Kobe, Japan, during December 12-15, 2007.

The organization of ICOTA7 consisted of an Organizing Committee, a Steering Committee, an International Program Committee, and a Local Committee. The chairs and co-chairs of the committees were as follows:

- Wuyi Yue (Co-chair of Organizing Committee)
- Masao Fukushima (Co-chair of Organizing Committee)
- Liqun Qi (Co-chair of Steering Committee)
- Jie Sun (Co-chair of Steering Committee)
- Kok Lay Teo (Co-chair of International Program Committee)
- Hirotaka Nakayama (Co-chair of International Program Committee)
- Masahiro Tanaka (Chair of Local Committee)

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**Wuyi Yue is a professor of Konan University, an editor of SCMJ, and an editor of Notice from the ISMS.

ICOTA7 had about 300 participants, 6 plenary talks delivered by leading experts in the field of optimization, 63 special and general sessions, and 254 papers accepted from 32 countries and regions.

Registration opened at 15:30 on the third floor of the International Conference Center. At around 18:30, we had a welcome buffet where over 150 people participated.

On December 13, Thursday, ICOTA7 officially started and the opening ceremony was given at 9:00. Prof. Wuyi Yue, Co-chair of Organizing Committee, first gave an opening speech. Then Mr. Shinichi Omori, the Chief of International Affairs, Culture and Tourism Bureau of Kobe City, represented the citizens of Kobe to give a welcome speech. This was followed by a speech given by Prof. Jie Sun, who is Co-chair of Steering Committee and a founding board member of POP.

After the opening ceremony, three plenary talks were given:

Title: Subspace Methods for Large Scale Nonlinear Equations and Nonlinear Least Squares

Speaker: **Ya-Xiang Yuan** (Chinese Academy of Sciences)

Title: Optimization and Machine Learning

Speaker: **Kristin P. Bennett** (Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute)

Title: Computational Methods for a Class of Discrete Valued Optimal Control Problems

Speaker: **Louis Caccetta** (Curtin University of Technology)

In the afternoon, 16 special sessions and 5 general sessions were carried out in parallel in 7 conference rooms. An invitation dinner was given at Portopia Hotel for more than 30 distinguished guests.

On December 14, Friday, the day started with another three plenary talks:

Title: Generalized Nash Equilibrium Problems

Speaker: **Francisco Facchinei** (University of Rome La Sapienza)

Title: A Robust Evolutionary Framework for Multi-Objective Optimization

Speaker: **Kalyanmoy Deb** (Indian Institute of Technology)

Title: Zonotopes and the LP-Newton Method for Linear Programming

Speaker: **Satoru Fujishige** (Kyoto University)

There were totally 16 special sessions and 4 general sessions. In the afternoon, **Mr. Akihiko Torii** of East Japan Railway (JR) Company also delivered an invited talk on "Technical Overview of the Next Generation Shinkansen High-speed Train Series N700".

In the evening, more than 300 guests joined the banquet at Portopia Hotel. Before the banquet started, **Prof. Masao Fukushima**, gave a brief welcome speech. Then, the guests celebrated the 20th anniversary of ICOTA and **Prof. Kok Lay Teo**, who is one of the founding members of ICOTA, told a vivid story about the history of ICOTA. Leading by **Prof. Hirotaka Nakayama**, the guests said "Cheers" to each other and the banquet started.

Nice food and wine were served at the banquet. Also, musicians dressed in traditional Japanese costumes entertained the guests. Then **Prof. Xiaoling Sun** gave a preview of the next ICOTA (ICOTA8), which will be held in Shanghai in 2010. Finally **Prof. Masahiro Tanaka** thanked all guests for joining the wonderful banquet.

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Categories	Domestic	Overseas	Developing countries
1-year member (1A)	A1: ¥9,000	F1: US\$75, €60	D1: US\$45, €36
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1-year students or aged (1S)	SA1: ¥5,000	SF1: US\$40, €32	SD1: US\$27, €21
3-year students or aged (3S)	SA3: ¥12,000	SF3: US\$100, €80	SD3: US\$71, €57
Life member* (L)	AL: ¥90,000	FL: US\$740, €592	DL: US\$616, €493

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