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Preface

In May 2004, the Department of Mathematics at the University of Virginia (UVA) hosted an international conference on Infinite-dimensional Aspects of Representation Theory and Applications. About 80 mathematicians participated in the meeting, including senior researchers, postdocs, and graduate students, who worked in diverse fields including representation theory (of Hecke algebras, quivers, quantum groups, infinite-dimensional Lie algebras, etc.) and algebraic geometry (of Gromov-Witten theory, moduli spaces, Hilbert schemes, etc.).

The conference offered a mixture of mini-courses and regular talks. The three mini-courses were given by S. Ariki, W. Crawley-Boevey, and A. Okounkov. The speakers included: David Ben-Zvi, Vyjayanthi Chari, William Haboush, Shrawan Kumar, Haisheng Li, Tetsuji Miwa, Evgeny Mukhin, Zhenbo Qin, Raphaël Rouquier, Ravi Vakil, Michela Varagnolo, and Kari Vilonen.

This volume contains 10 papers from that conference. We thank the speakers and participants who made the conference successful, all the authors for their fine contributions to this volume, and all the referees for their careful reviews. We are grateful to the National Science Foundation, the Institute of Mathematical Science, and the Department of Mathematics at UVA for their generous financial support. We also thank Karen Klintworth for her help in organizing the conference.

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Beyond the techniques and ideas related to representation theory, the book demonstrates connections to number theory, algebraic geometry, and mathematical physics. Specific topics covered include Hecke algebras, quantum groups, infinite-dimensional Lie algebras, quivers, modular representations, and Gromov-Witten invariants.

The book is suitable for graduate students and researchers interested in representation theory.



