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## Preface

This volume contains the proceedings of the international conference “Representation Theory XVI”, held at the Inter-University Center, Dubrovnik, Croatia, June 24-29, 2019.

The volume features nineteen original research articles in representation theory divided into three thematic groups: Lie groups, number theory, and vertex operator algebras.

Representations of Lie groups, especially unitary representations, have been and continue to be an important topic in representation theory. Although a lot is known about them, the main problem of classifying unitary representations is still not completely solved, although recently Adams, van Leuven, Trapa and Vogan constructed an algorithm that can be effectively used in low-rank cases. The importance of this subject comes from applications in harmonic analysis, geometry, physics and number theory. The conference featured a number of talks by renowned experts on this subject including Jeffrey Adams, Dan Barbasch, Jing-Song Huang, Dragan Milićić, Wilfried Schmid and David Vogan.

Number theory is one of the oldest topics in mathematics. It can be divided into elementary, algebraic, analytic and computational number theory. It has important connections and applications in algebraic geometry, representation theory and cryptography. The talks in the number theory section reflect the main subjects of interest of the Croatian number theory group, such as Diophantine equations, elliptic curves and modular forms, and contributions of international experts, including our long-time collaborators Yann Bugeaud, Clemens Fuchs, Attila Pethő and Robert Tichy.

Vertex algebras provide a natural framework for studying representation theory of infinite-dimensional Lie algebras and W-algebras with applications in number theory, combinatorics and theoretical physics. Recently a great impulse for this theory was made through deep connections with the 4-dimensional SCFT in physics. In the last decade, Dubrovnik conferences on Representation Theory have attracted many leading experts on vertex algebras including Tomoyuki Arakawa, Chongying Dong, Yi-Zhi Huang, Ching Hung Lam, Haisheng Li, Victor Kac, James Lepowsky, Masahiko Miyamoto, and others. The Dubrovnik series of conferences is a central place for exchange of ideas between the Croatian vertex algebra group, which now includes many young researchers and students, and the experts in the field. This year’s invited speakers include Tomoyuki Arakawa, Ching Hung Lam, Pierluigi Moseneder Fradjia, Yi-Zhi Huang, Cuibo Jiang, Victor Kac, Ivan Mirković, Masahiko Miyamoto, Anne Moreau, Nils Scheithauer, and Paolo Papi.

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The articles in the volume address selected aspects of representation theory of reductive Lie groups and vertex algebras, and are written by prominent experts in the field as well as junior researchers. The three main topics of these articles are Lie theory, number theory, and vertex algebras.



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