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Preface

The academic year 1987–88 was designated as an Emphasis Year in Algebraic Topology at Northwestern University. Supported by funds from the National Science Foundation and Northwestern, visitors from around the world came together throughout the year to discuss current developments. During the period March 21–24, 1988 a conference was held which attracted over 110 participants. Many of the plenary lectures were expository in nature, designed to expose current trends. This volume contains papers which were either presented or solicited at the conference. All papers were refereed.

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