

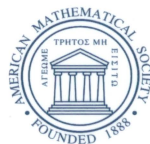
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Preface

This volume has a two-fold nature. It mainly consists of lectures given at the Tel Aviv International Topology Conference held in June 1998 which was the culmination of a Special Topology Program at Tel Aviv University that began in March 1998. The program and conference were supported by Tel Aviv University and the Herman Minkowski Center for Geometry.

The second aspect of this volume is its dedication to Mel Rothenberg on the occasion of his 65th birthday. Mel is well known for his many contributions to topology, from the early work on triangulations to numerous papers on transformation groups and on geometric and analytic aspects of torsion theory. Through his ideas and vision, and perhaps even more so through his warmth to young mathematicians, concern for their welfare, and constant encouragement of their work, he has had an enormous impact on our subject. It is a pleasure and honor to dedicate this volume to him.

Finally, we thank participants, authors, and referees for their roles in making the conference a success, and enabling this volume to appear in timely fashion.

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