

Dear colleagues!

The present issue of our journal together with the forthcoming one are dedicated to publishing reports submitted at the "International Conference on Interval and Stochastic Methods in Science and Engineering (Interval'92)" held in September 92 near Moscow. The short account of this conference is published in preceding issue of our journal.

By the present publication we open a series of special issues where materials of different conferences whose scientific orientation corresponds to the subject-matter of this journal will be published. The reports given at the conference "Numerical analysis with automatic result verification" held in February 93 in Lafayette (Louisiana, USA) are already in preparation. An agreement has been reached on publishing materials of some other conferences and seminars. On occasion, we intend to publish materials of "interval" sections of scientific events in wider area of subject-matters. In all special issues, we shall keep published report at a high level that corresponds to usual issues of the journal. All materials placed in special issues would be reviewed according to the scheme adopted for papers of non-special issues.

At the Conference "Interval'92", particular emphasis has been placed on the interval approach in mathematical statistics, though, there were many "pure interval" and "pure statistical" reports.

For publishing in our journal, the reports were chosen which are based on the interval approach to solving statistical problems, as well as reports dedicated entirely to interval methods.

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The conference "Interval'92" passed with a great success, it made a decision to arrange similar conferences every second year. The next conference of the series "Interval'XX" is planned for March 94 in St.-Petersburg and it will be dedicated to the connection of interval computations with computer algebra.

The first information on this conference can be found at the end of the issue. The journal "Interval Computations" is one of organizers of the conference "Interval'94", and I should like, on behalf of Editorial Board, to invite all readers of this journal to take part in the preparing and holding of this conference that seems to be the most important event in our area in 1994.

In conclusion I would like to express our deep appreciation to A.L. Semenov, General Director of the Institute for New Technologies for financial support of our journal; A.A. Bryandinskaya and P.Ya. Korsoyutskaya for translation of the main part of papers into English, R.B. Kearfott and A. Bernat for help in work under manuskripts; A.N. Kosarevsky for composition of camera-ready model of issues.

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