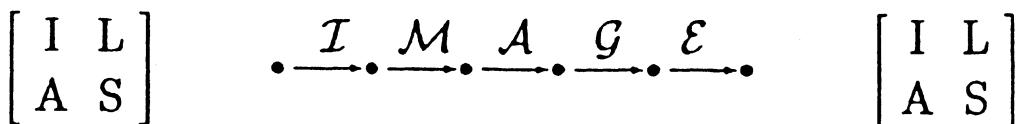


RECEIVED AUG 26 1996



The Bulletin of the International Linear Algebra Society
Serving the International Linear Algebra Community

Issue Number 17, Summer 1996: pp. 1–32.

Joint Editors: Steven J. LEON and George P. H. STYAN

Department of Mathematics University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth Old Westport Road North Dartmouth, MA 02747-2300, USA	e-mail: SLEON@UMASSD.EDU FAX (1-508) 999-8901
Department of Mathematics and Statistics McGill University, Burnside Hall 805 ouest, rue Sherbrooke Street West Montréal, Québec, Canada H3A 2K6	e-mail: STYAN@MATH.MCGILL.CA FAX (1-514) 398-3899

ILAS President/Vice-President Annual Report: June 1996	2
Thoughts and Anecdotes Wanted about Bob Thompson.....	3
ILAS Treasurer's Report: March 1, 1995–February 29, 1996 (James R. Weaver).....	4
ILAS Treasurer's Report Supplement from Sparkasse Chemnitz (V. Mehrmann & J. R. Weaver) ...	7
Linear Algebra in Mainland China (Erxiong Jiang).....	9
Papers in Chinese on the Kantorovich and related inequalities (G. Alpargu & G. P. H. Styan)	12
Linear Algebra in Hong Kong (Chi-Kwong Li & Nam-Kiu Tsing).....	14
<i>Image Problem Corner</i>	30
Alexander Craig Aitken: A Biographical Note (R. William Farebrother)	32

Reports on Linear Algebra Events Attended

June 29–30, 1995: Hong Kong (Nam-Kiu Tsing)	17
May 24–25, 1996: Logan, Utah (LeRoy B. Beasley).....	18
July 18–19, 1996: Shrewsbury, Shropshire, England (George P. H. Styan)	18

Selected Forthcoming Linear Algebra Events

October 11–12, 1996: Chattanooga, Tennessee	19
August 20–23, 1997: Odessa, Ukraine	19
International Calendar of Events in Linear Algebra & Related Topics	20

New and Forthcoming Publications in Linear Algebra

<i>High Performace Algorithms for Structured Linear Systems</i> : First Call for Papers	21
Åke Björck: <i>Numerical Methods for Least Squares Problems</i>	21
S. Leon, E. Herman & R. Faulkenberry, eds: <i>ATLAST Computer Exercises for Linear Algebra</i>	22
Shuangzhe Liu: <i>Contributions to Matrix Calculus and Applications in Econometrics</i>	22
More Books on Linear Algebra & Related Topics: 1995–1996 (S. Puntanen & G. P. H. Styan)	23