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This volume contains a part of the papers presented at the 20th Winter School on Abstract Analysis. This Winter School consisted of two parts, which differed not only in the term, but also in the location. The section of topology and combinatorics was held in Harrachov, Giant Mountains, Czechoslovakia, January 25 to February 1, 1992. The section of analysis followed from February 2–9, 1992, in Strobel, Alps, Austria, and was sponsored by Johannes Kepler Universität, Linz. It was an idea of C. Stegall to organize a part of Winter School at a non-traditional place. We are greatly indebted to him for his effort with the excellent realisation of it.

The papers in the volume were submitted for publication before May, 11, 1992. To speed the publication of the proceedings, the full responsibility for the linguistic form of the papers was left to the authors.

I owe my thanks to the participants for creating an active working atmosphere and making the Winter School useful, exhausting and pleasant.

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