

Foreword

This special issue of the Journal of Computational Mathematics is devoted to the papers presented at the China-US Seminar on Boundary Integral and Boundary Element Methods in Physics and Engineering held in Xian, China, Dec. 27, 1987-Jan. 1, 1988.

This seminar was the first China-US joint event in the field of Computational Mathematics. Here we would like to give special thanks to Profs. G. C. Hsiao and R. E. Kleinman, University of Delaware, for the initiation of this meeting, which got active response from their Chinese colleagues. We do hope that this meeting will stimulate further scientific cooperation and exchanges between scholars from our two countries.

The papers presented at this seminar cover a wide range of topics in the boundary integral and boundary element methods, including basic theories and many applications in physics and engineering. The level of the seminar was high.

We express our sincere thanks to all the participants of the seminar, especially to our American guests, for their active support and friendly cooperation.

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