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It was the aim of the organizers of the meeting to bring together researchers from analysis, geometry, numerical analysis, and experimental physics. There were 53 participants from ten countries; a list of their names and addresses will be found at the beginning of the volume.

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