

This is the second volume of “Fundamenta Mathematicae” based on papers submitted by the participants of the Second International Conference “Knots in Poland 2003”. Similarly to the preceding one, which appeared as vol. 184 of this journal, it has been edited by Józef H. Przytycki and by the Guest Editors, Vaughan F. R. Jones, Vladimir Turaev and Bronisław Wajnryb. Further papers authored by participants of the conference will appear in “Fundamenta Mathematicae” soon.

Let us recall that the conference was held at the Stefan Banach International Mathematical Center in Warsaw (7–13 July, 2003) and Będlewo (14–27 July, 2003), and was supported by the Center and by Warsaw University. It covered several topics in Knot Theory and its Ramifications, including classical knot theory, Jones type quantum invariants of links and 3-manifolds, skein modules and Khovanov homology of links. This was the first conference with a whole session devoted to Khovanov homology. For further details, including the program and lists of participants, see <http://diamond.boisestate.edu/~kania/banach.html>.

We would like to thank the authors and all the participants for helping to make the conference a success. We are confident that publishing these papers in separate volumes of “Fundamenta” will help to stimulate new ideas and foster further research.

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