

SPECIAL ISSUE:

Asymptotic Statistics

The Editorial Board of *Kybernetika* has offered the possibility of publishing selected papers presented at the Fifth Prague Symposium on Asymptotic Statistics, which was held in Prague during September 4–9, 1993.

The Symposium organized by the Department of Probability and Mathematical Statistics, Faculty of Mathematics and Physics, Charles University was held under auspices of the Bernoulli Society for Mathematical Statistics and Probability, the Czech Statistical Society, the Czech Society of Actuaries, Česká pojišťovna—Insurance and Reinsurance Corporation and the IFIP WG.7.7.

The scientific programme of the Symposium was focused on recent theoretical developments of asymptotic methods as well as on application of asymptotic results to statistical problems. Special sessions on application to insurance and finance and on stochastic programming were organized.

The Symposium was attended by 114 participants from 21 countries. Out of 91 contributions presented, 42 were published by Physica Verlag in the Proceedings of the Fifth Prague Symposium on Asymptotic Statistics, and 14 were selected for publication in this Special Issue of *Kybernetika*. They are published in the persuasion that they provide a useful documentary of recent development in asymptotic statistics and the related fields.

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