

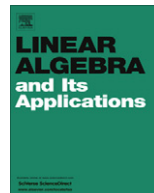


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This special issue is jointly and individually dedicated to Abraham Berman, Moshe Goldberg, and Raphael Loewy on the occasion of their retirements from the Technion in Israel: Avi (2011), Raphi (2012), Moshe (2013). Each of them has made many substantial contributions to the development of linear algebra and matrix theory over many years. Each has also been crucial for the important influence that the Technion has had and continues to have in these subjects. We hope and expect that their retirements from the Technion does not imply their retirements from mathematical research and from the linear algebra community.

It has been a singular pleasure for us to honor Avi, Moshe, and Raphi with this special issue. We thank all those who have contributed papers to this issue.

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