EDITORIAL

Markov Processes and Related Topics (III)

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It is our great pleasure to present the third special issue for the Markov Processes and Related Topics, on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the Research Center for Stochastics of Beijing Normal University (BNU), supported by the innovative research group project of the National Natural Science Foundation of China. In 2002, the Research Center for Stochastics started to organize 'Workshop on Markov Processes and Related Topics'. During the past 20 years, the workshop held almost each year except some special situations (for example, 2003 SARS and 2020 COVID-19). Among the 16 workshops, 11 of them were or will be co-organized with some universities out of Beijing.

1) 2002, 2) 2004, 3) 2005, 5) 2007, 7) 2010, at BNU;

4) 2006, BNU and Central South University, Changsha;

6) 2008, BNU and Anhui Normal University, Wuhu;

8) 2012, BNU and Fujian Normal University, Wuyi Mountain;

9) 2013, BNU and Southwest Jiaotong University, Emei;

10) 2014, BNU and Xidian University, Xi'an;

11) 2015, BNU and Shanghai Jiaotong University, Shanghai;

12) 2016, BNU and Jiangsu Normal University, Xuzhou;

13) 2017, BNU and Wuhan University, Wuhan;

14) 2018, BNU and Sichuan University, Chengdu;

15) 2019, BNU and Jilin University, Changchun;

16) 2021, BNU and Central South University, Changsha.

We would like to thank all participants from different parts of world for their great contributions to the series of the workshops, where they discussed up-to-date developments in a wide variety of topics in probability and exchanged interesting ideas. The information of the serial workshops including a list of participants, abstracts of the talks, and photos are on our group's homepage:

http://math0.bnu.edu.cn/probab/rcstoch/page/workshop.html

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