Editors' Preface

The Proceedings of the Fifth International Conference on Clustering Aspects in Nuclear and Subnuclear Systems held in Kyoto from July 25 to 29, 1988, are published as a Supplement to the Journal of the Physical Society of Japan.

The Conference consisted of 15 plenary sessions held for 5 days and 7 parallel sessions held in the afternoons of 3 days.

The Proceedings contain all the invited talks presented in the plenary and parallel sessions and the oral contributions, which were selected out of the contributed papers for the parallel sessions. The invited talks consist of reviews and topics related to each field. The manuscripts for the talks are arranged in the order of the plenary, parallel and summary sessions.

A special session on the subject, "What is a Cluster?", and a circus session on the subject, "Dynamics of Di-Nuclear Systems", were conducted by the discussion leaders. Introductory and final remarks written by the discussion leaders are included together with questions, comments, answers and discussions in the Proceedings.

211 contributed papers were submitted to the conference secretariat and distributed to all the participants as a photo-copied booklet at the Conference. Contributed papers selected as Posters were exhibited in the poster session. The Proceedings include the list of the titles and authors of all the contributed papers.

All speakers were requested to submit the typewritten texts of their talks at the time of registration, in order to publish the Supplement as quickly as possible. The editors would like to express their hearty thanks to the speakers for their cooperation.

The Foreword of the Proceedings was dedicated by Professor H. Tanaka from his opening address. Two invited papers which were not orally presented at the Conference are added after the summary talks.

Drs. K.-I. Kubo, M. Ishihara and S. Saito served as the members of the subcommittee of the publication committee. They performed activities of refereeing the manuscripts together with the editors and requested corrections in the manuscripts, in order to meet the instructions and format of the Journal of the Physical Society of Japan.

Although the manuscripts were printed as faithfully as possible, the editors are fully responsible for any possible errors introduced in the process of preparing the Proceedings. The manuscripts were reduced to 90% of the original typewritten texts. An effort was made to print them as clearly as possible with the help of the publisher.

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