

Preface to the Present Volume

This volume is a collection of papers dedicated to Kenkichi Iwasawa on his 70-th birthday, which took place on September 11, 1987. Some of the papers in this volume are based on the lectures delivered at the workshop on “Iwasawa Theory and Special Values of L -Functions” held at the Mathematical Sciences Research Institute in Berkeley, California on January 20–24, 1987. For the convenience of the reader, a complete list of publications of Professor Iwasawa, along with brief comments on them, is added to the beginning of this volume. We hope this book will be a token of our hearty gratitude to and admiration of him, which we share with mathematicians throughout the world.

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