

From the Editor

It is very difficult for us, since a lot of people are involved in working in the benefit of our journal, to do the following announcement concerning three former issues of ASUOC.

The papers listed below, published in 2000, fasc.1 and 2003, fasc. 1 and 2, namely:

- Ciobanu, Camelia: "Representations of the Lie algebra $sl(2)$ ", An. Stiint. Univ. "Ovidius" Constanta, Ser. Mat., **8**, No. 1, 59-66 (2000);

- Ciobanu, Camelia: "The Lie algebra $sl(2)$ and its representations", An. Stiint. Univ. "Ovidius" Constanta, Ser. Mat., **11**, No. 1, 55-62 (2003);

- Ciobanu, Camelia; Coltescu, Ion: "Vanishing results for semisimple Lie algebras", An. Stiint. Univ. "Ovidius" Constanta, Ser. Mat., **11**, No. 2, 51-56 (2003),

are retracted because they were copied verbatim or translated into Romanian, from the book "Quantum Groups", published by Professor Christian Kassel in GTM, 155, Springer Verlag, New York, 1995, xii+531 pages, ISBN 0-387-504370-6.

We are very sorry that we did not see this before, in spite of the peer-reviewing system applied since the second volume of our journal.

We do not agree with such things and any further papers submitted to our journal by the above two authors will be rejected.

We express our deep apologies for this situation to the author (Ch. Kassel), to the Editors of Graduate Texts in Mathematics Series at Springer Verlag, to Springer Verlag, to our readers, to Zentralblatt fur Mathematik and to Mathematical Reviews.

We have already put a remark about this retraction in each incriminated issue on the web site of our journal.

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