

zbMATH Open

ONE YEAR ON FROM BEGINNING OF THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS

Dear Reviewer,

We hope you and your family are well and in good health. More than one year has passed since the Coronavirus crisis began. We really hope that this period will soon be over.

The staff of zbMATH Open has adapted well to working remotely, and a year on, we are operating at our normal capacity. We thank all of you warmly for being part of our community of reviewers and for your contributions in all these months!

ZBMATH OPEN INTERFACE CHANGES

You will have noticed changes to our logo, colours and the name of the database. zbMATH became zbMATH Open on January 1, 2021.

CHANGES IN THE GUIDE FOR REVIEWERS

Since zbMATH Open is now an open access database, all our contracts with publishers and our commercial partners have had to be changed. We have updated the Guide for Reviewers in line with these modifications. The main changes concern the fact that our database is now open access. We are subjected to the European General Data Protection Regulation. For the electronically stored reviewers' data this means that these will be exclusively used for the following purposes only: 1) complete the reviewing agreement, 2) compensation of the expense allowance, 3) generating statistics (reviewing history and preferences) and 4) reviewer support. For further details, please consult the Guide for Reviewers at the following link:

<https://zbmath.org/static/guide-for-reviewers.pdf>

Please note that if you do not agree to the changes in the terms of this guide you cannot remain being a reviewer for zbMATH Open.

SCHEDULED DOWNTIME OF THE REVIEWER SERVICE ON JUNE 11-14

Our team has been working on improving the *Preview* interface when you submit a review. Therefore, some updates have to be carried out and the Reviewer Service will not be available between June 11 and June 14. After that date you will again be able to submit your reviews using the Reviewer Service. If you wish to submit your reviews between these dates you can do so by e-mail to review-submission@zbmath.org.

IMPROVEMENTS IN OUR REVIEWER DATABASE

We have recently introduced a new reviewer database that allows us more flexibility. For example, if you wish for a delay between each review submission and the subsequent assignment of a new article for review, just let us know and we will set the delay automatically in your profile.

Reviewers will be reminded automatically. One week after an item has been sent to you, you will receive an e-mail to confirm that everything is fine and that that you have received the article or book. If this is not the case, please e-mail us to let us know that you have not received your item. The first reminder e-mail comes after 8 weeks. After another four weeks, we will send a further reminder. If we do not obtain any answer after another four weeks, our staff will send you a personalized final reminder. Your feedback is very important to us. We will consider your suggestions for further improvement.

90 YEARS OF ZENTRALBLATT FÜR MATHEMATIK!

Zentralblatt für Mathematik celebrates its 90th anniversary in 2021 as the most comprehensive reference database worldwide, it has now as an open access database under the name zbMATH Open. The long history of Zentralblatt began with its predecessor, the reviewing service *Jahrbuch über die Fortschritte der Mathematik*. This followed all developments in mathematics since the 19th century. We are planning a publication to commemorate 90 years of Zentralblatt and zbMATH Open. Let us celebrate the 90th anniversary of Zentralblatt für Mathematik!

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