

Report on the 7th Asia-Europe Workshop on “Concepts in Information Theory” (by Han Vinck)

The 7th Asia-Europe workshop on “Concepts in Information Theory” was held in Hotel Bellevue in the beautiful Rhinevalley near the Loreley in Boppard, Germany, from July 27-July 29. The workshop is based on a longstanding cooperation between Asian and European scientists. The first workshop was held in Eindhoven, the Netherlands in 1989. The idea of the workshop is threefold: improvement of the communication between the scientist in the different parts of the world; exchange knowledge and ideas; pay a tribute to a scientist that contributed to the theme of the workshop in a scientific, but as important, didactic way. In the past we paid tributes to Jim Massey, Jack Wolf, Te Sun Han and Han Vinck. For this workshop Kingo Kobayashi accepted our invitation to be the guest of honour. Kingo Kobayashi was the key lecturer with a presentation on “finite state channels.” The 25 participants enjoyed the sixteen lectures in the two-day workshop, followed by a boat tour to the “Loreley” and a wine tasting in the cellars of the workshop hotel “Bellevue”.

The proceedings can be downloaded from:

<http://www.exp-math.uni-essen.de/~vinck/aew/Final%20Proceedings%20AEW7%20-%20202011.pdf>.

The picture shows the participants



and Prof. Kingo Kobayashi during his lecture.

