

In view of Boole's association with this country, it would seem appropriate for us to nail this particular piece of thievery before it goes too far, if indeed it has not already done so. Frankly, we are inclined to doubt that the truth will ever catch up, but we might as well try.

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GROUPS IN GALWAY 92

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The annual Groups in Galway meeting was held on 15th and 16th May 1992, with the help of sponsorship from the Irish Mathematical Society, the Royal Irish Academy, and University College, Galway. There were about twenty participants.

The first lecture was by A. Christofides (UCG) on "Galois groups and Riemann surfaces". After tea, R. Sheehy (UCC) spoke on "Frobenius' conjecture", and the last lecture on Friday was by H. Smith (Bucknell and Cardiff) on "Some remarks on maximal subgroups of infinite groups".

The Saturday morning session was begun by K. Hutchinson (UCD) who spoke on "Galois group actions on classgroups", followed by E. Robertson (St Andrews) on "Semigroup presentations". After lunch, the meeting closed with a lecture by B. Hartley (Manchester) on "Simple locally finite groups".

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