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Foreword

The present book brings a selection of papers of Hans Freudenthal. His interests ranged widely and this is reflected in his many publications (more than 700). The emphasis of our selection is on technical mathematical papers. In particular, we left aside Freudenthal's many writings on didactical matters; they would require a separate volume.

The selection of the papers is necessarily somewhat arbitrary. But we believe to have included Freudenthal's best mathematical work.

Most – but not all – of the selected papers are accompanied by brief comments and references to the literature.

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