Constructive Optimisation Workshop in Honour of Professor Vladimir Demyanov’s 75th birthday
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This two-day workshop took place at the Federation University Australia and RMIT University on 16 and 17 of April 2014. The main goal of the meeting was to celebrate the scientific contribution of Professor Vladimir Demyanov, to build closer links between different groups of local researchers, and to expose students and Early Career Researchers to a broad range of topics in nonsmooth and discrete optimisation. Professor Demyanov’s work has had a significant impact on the development of nonsmooth optimisation in Australia: he collaborated closely with many Australian mathematicians, and visited the University of Ballarat on several occasions.

There were 19 research talks and 35 participants from Federation University Australia, Melbourne University, The University of Newcastle, RMIT University, Swinburne University of Technology, National ICT Australia and the International University of Hochiminh City, Vietnam. The conference turned out to be very popular with students, while several researchers working in close areas met for the first time and had a chance to discuss their research. The full program is available at http://federation.edu.au/faculties-and-schools/faculty-of-science/school-of-science-and-technology/research/conferences-and-workshops/constructive-optimization-workshop/workshop-program.

The workshop was sponsored by Federation University, RMIT University and Swinburne University of Technology.

Sadly, Professor Demyanov passed away on the day after the workshop, after a long and serious illness. Comments and memories about Professor Demyanov can be communicated at http://constructiveoptimisation.com/vfd/.

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