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Mathematicians fleeing from Nazi Germany. Individual fates and global impact.

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It is well known that many famous 20th century mathematicians fled from the Nazi regime. This book is a very extensive presentation of reasons of the emigration of many notable mathematicians, fleeing from the Nazi regime, their impact on mathematics and the influence their host countries had on them. It is based on archival sources and includes texts of numerous documents, in particular excerpts from many letters written to and by the mathematicians who emigrated from Germany and other countries under the Nazi regime. The book is an in-depth study of the topic and as such a rich source of data for anyone interested not only in history of mathematics in particular but also for the history of the WWII time. The book is a greatly expanded translation of the 1998 German edition (Vieweg) reviewed in Zbl 0917.01025 and ME 2010f.00075X

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