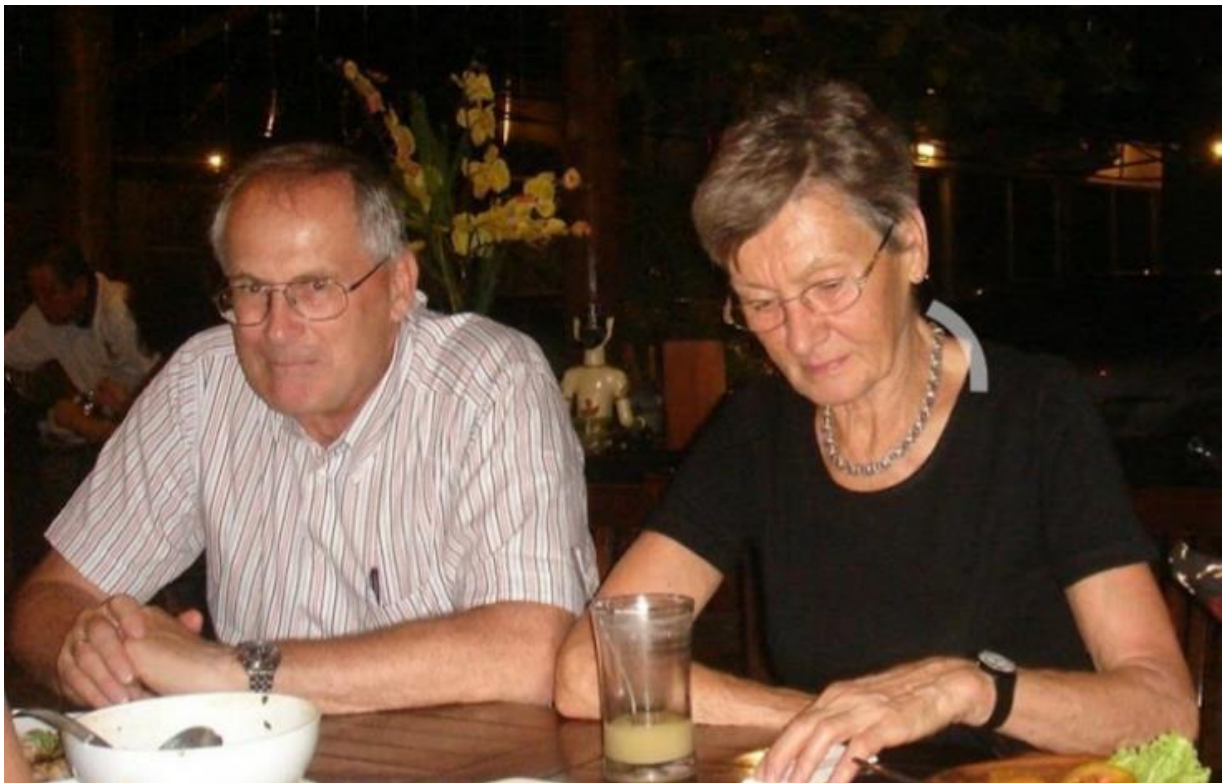


**Tribute of the staff members of the Department of Mathematics,
Universitas Gadjah Mada, Yogyakarta, Indonesia
to the late Prof. Franz KAPPEL**

For the Department of Mathematics UGM,
Prof. Dr. Franz KAPPEL is not only the supervisor of our staff members
(Prof. Dr. Sri Wahyuni and Dr. Ari Suparwanto), he
is our mentor, our motivator, who has played a big role in shapening the Department of Mathematics of UGM
with his great dedication, and taught with deliberation and special commitment.
Prof. Kappel was always a helpful colleague who was closely associated with the institute and
whom we will miss.

Through the ASEA-UNINET (The ASEAN-European Academic University Network),
Prof. Franz KAPPEL gave the Department of Mathematics a lot of support.
He provided a lot of assistance for developing the Department, including sending his colleagues from the
Department of Mathematics from the University of Graz
to be guest lectures at the Department of Mathematics, UGM.
He also was willing to help us as a speaker and as a member of the steering committee for
workshops and conferences organized by the Department of Mathematics UGM.

Prof. Franz KAPPEL also supported the Department of Mathematics by inviting its lecturers for
short-term research stays at the University of Graz, Austria.



(Prof. Franz KAPPEL and his wife Grit at the meeting in Yogyakarta, © UGM).

Words of love from
the family members of Prof. Franz KAPPEL at the Department of Mathematics UGM:

❖ Prof. Dr. rer.nat. Sri Wahyuni

- Ph.D. Karl-Franzens University of Graz (Mathematics Program, under the supervision of Prof. Franz Kappel)
- Chair of Curriculum Committee, Department of Mathematics, Universitas Gadjah Mada

- ✚ What a profound loss in the death of Prof. Franz Kappel.
- ✚ Why our big family of the Department of Mathematics has been raised by Prof. Franz Kappel.
- ✚ The news of the death of Prof. Franz Kappel really made us feel that we lost something very valuable.
- ✚ In reality, he was a teacher who on the one hand had a depth of knowledge that is worthy of appreciation, and on the other hand the subtlety and robustness of his arguments relating to other fields of science were truly amazing.
- ✚ For us, he was a man who not only had high knowledge and applied skills, but also had a very progressive policy in synergy, another riveting personal characteristic.
- ✚ Our experience while associating with him was that, he was not only a lecturer who transferred his knowledge, but he also understood our culture and the things that underlie it. He not only guided us in compiling a research question but also guided choosing a more efficient theory for its completion. In fact, he also always supplied the latest references that we really needed.
- ✚ Due to his understanding of our culture and our deep background supported by policies and choices of appropriate and interesting diction, finally his presence along with his family, as we felt no distance between us if he and his family are part of our family.
- ✚ His humanistic attitude was not only given by him in the campus environment, but also carried out outside the campus. He also helped moving the economy of the lower classes around our residence, by renting a house in the Gowok area (approximately 4 km from the UGM campus). Even though when he was in Yogyakarta for only a few weeks, he rented a house, paid house guards, shopped at traditional markets, so that many people felt the benefits of his presence. The community accepted his and his family's presence very openly and happily. In fact they were very respectful even though sometimes only expressed with a simple phrase, which is "good morning" / "good afternoon" / "good night" when they were passing by from a trip while smiling and nodding with respect.
- ✚ As far as my knowledge, I was the first Indonesian student to go on a doctoral program in mathematics at the University of Graz, and when I started to travel in March 1994, I had to leave the family when my youngest child was 6 months old. It was the toughest time to start a new life in Graz, the different cultures, the very different weather made it heavy to start my life in Graz. But everything became very easy because Prof. Franz KAPPEL and the family helped me to survive the new life in Graz to start the S3 College at the University of Graz.
- ✚ Prof. Franz KAPPEL our best friend, mentor, teacher, supervisor, and father who had done so much for the development of the mathematics in Indonesia
- ✚ Our deep condolences of his passing away



(Prof. Franz KAPPEL and his wife Grit with family Yuni-Amir and family Haryatmi-Kartiko, 1999, © Sri Wahyuni)

❖ **Dr. rer.nat. Ari Suparwanto**

- Ph.D. Karl Franzens University of Graz (Mathematics Program, under supervision of Prof. Franz Kappel)
- The Chair of The Department of Mathematics, Universitas Gadjah Mada

✚ (Mourning the death of Prof. Kappel. May all the services and kindness of the deceased be rewarded in kind from God the Almighty.)

❖ **Dr. rer.nat. Lina Aryati**

- Karl Franzens University of Graz (Mathematics Program under supervision of Prof. Bernd Thaller)
- The Chair of The Doctoral Program of Mathematics, Universitas Gadjah Mada

✚ (Innalilahi wa innailaihi roji'un. He is like a father to us, his guidance students.)

❖ **Prof. Dr. rer.nat. Widodo**

- Ph.D. University of Innsbruck (Mathematics Program)
- Professor in Mathematics, The Department of Mathematics, Universitas Gadjah Mada

✚ (Very sorry for the death of Prof. Franz Kappel. He was not only a mentor but was like a family member to the Department of Mathematics, helping a lot in many ways for its progress it around 1995-2005.)

❖ **Prof. Dr. rer.nat. Dedi Rosadi**

- Ph.D. Vienna University of Technology
- Professor in Statistics, The Chair of Research Group in Computational Statistics, Universitas Gadjah Mada

✚ (Innalillahi wainna ilaihi roji'un. Deeply sorry for the huge loss of the Mathematics Department's extended family.)

❖ Prof. Dr. Indah Emilia Wijayanti

- One month Research Visit (in Mathematics) at the University of Graz
- Ph.D. University of Dusseldorf, Germany
- Academic Secretary, Department of Mathematics, Universitas Gadjah Mada

✚ Also deeply mourning, he was like a family member of the Department of Mathematics.

✚ A little memory story about Mr. Kappel.

✚ In my opinion, he was very attentive to all staff of the Mathematics Department, including me, who incidentally was nobody.

✚ At that time in 2001, I had never been abroad. There was a conference (or workshop) in Prague but it costed a lot. Through Mrs. Wahyuni, Mr. Kappel suggested that I should register at DeAD for a 1-month research visit in Graz, from here I could spend 1 week in Prague.

✚ Long story short, be the plan. The first experience abroad, straying, "wrong eating", "wrong direction", "wrong eating message" at Mensa, etc. was very memorable.

✚ Moreover, the German-speaking Austrians (at that time I had still no idea about the language).

✚ I will never forget the experience in Graz. Thank you, Mr. Kappel.

❖ Atok Zulianto, Ph.D.

- Research Visit in Mathematics at the University of Graz
- The Academic Secretary of The Doctoral Program of Mathematics, Universitas Gadjah Mada

✚ (Innalillahi wa innailaihi roji'uun. My deep condolences.)

❖ Prof. Dr. Subanar

- Professor in Statistics, Department of Mathematics, Universitas Gadjah Mada
- Dean of Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences (during Prof. Franz Kappel's cooperation with the Department of Mathematics)

✚ (Very sorry for the death of Prof. Kappel, his services were very great for FMIPA UGM)

❖ Prof. Dr. Sri Haryatmi Kartiko

- Professor in Statistics, Department of Mathematics,
- The Chair of Research Group in Statistics, Universitas Gadjah Mada

✚ (Innalillahi wainna ilaihi roji'un. I and my family send our deepest condolences for the huge loss of a member of the Mathematics Department's extended family. Especially, for Mrs Yuni and all those who are very closed to him. I and my family have special relationships, Pak dan Bu Kappel loved acar bandeng that my husband cooked, we still keep Lego technic which they brought from Graz for my kids. They often said Gowok market is Heaven for sayuran, Grits' kitchen was always clean, this inspired me to have a clean kitchen too, which is still a dream until now. Many nice events with them, really unforgettable memories, RIP Prof. Kappel.)

❖ Prof. Dr. Rini Indrati

- Professor in Mathematics, Department of Mathematics
- Chair of Undergraduate Program in Mathematics, Universitas Gadjah Mada

✚ Rest in Peace Prof. Kappel.

❖ Prof. Dr. Supama

- Professor in Mathematics, Department of Mathematics
- Chair of Master Program in Mathematics, Universitas Gadjah Mada

✚ *Turut berduka. Semoga prof. Kappel diberi yg terbaik.*
(Please accept my condolences. Hopefully Prof. Kappel was given the best.)

❖ Prof. Dr. Salmah

- Professor in Mathematics
- Department of Mathematics, Universitas Gadjah Mada

✚ *Turut berduka cita atas meninggalnya Prof. Kappel. Semoga kebaikan almarhum dapat balasan yg setimpal dari Tuhan Yang Maha Kuasa.*
(Mourning the death of Prof. Kappel. Hopefully the goodness of the deceased can be rewarded in kind from the Almighty God.)

❖ Dr. Fajar Adi Kusumo

- Chair of Research Group in Applied Mathematics
- Department of Mathematics, Universitas Gadjah Mada

✚ *Turut berduka cita atas meninggalnya Prof Kappel, semoga apa yang sudah beliau berikan untuk UGM bisa bermanfaat untuk kita semua dan bs kita lanjutkan...*
(Also sorry for the death of Prof. Kappel, hopefully what he has given to UGM can be useful for all of us and we can continue ...)

❖ Dr. Sumardi

- The Chair of Research Group in Computational Mathematics
- Department of Mathematics, Universitas Gadjah Mada

✚ *Turut berduka cita atas meninggalnya Prof. Kappel. Semoga kebaikan almarhum dapat balasan yg setimpal dari Tuhan Yang Maha Kuasa.*
(Mourning the death of Prof. Kappel. Hopefully the goodness of the deceased can be rewarded in kind from the Almighty God.)

❖ Dr. Diah Junia Eksi Palupi

▪ Department of Mathematics, Universitas Gadjah Mada

✚ *Innalillahi wainna ilaihi roji'un..... Ikut berduka.... sepertinya keluarga Prof Kappel sudah berumah di jogja.*
(Innalillahi wainna ilaihi roji'un I'm sorry ... , it seems like Prof. Kappel's family is already living in Jogja.)

❖ Dr. Aulysius Sutjjana

▪ Department of Mathematics, Universitas Gadjah Mada

✚ *Turut berduka. Semoga prof. Kappel beristirahat dalam damai di Surga.*
(Please accept my condolences. Hopefully Prof. Kappel rests in peace in Heaven.)

❖ Danang Teguh Qoyyimi, M.Sc., Ph.D.

▪ Department of Mathematics, Universitas Gadjah Mada

✚ *"Turut berduka cita atas berpulangnya Prof. Kappel. Semoga inisiasi beliau untuk departemen kita akan terus kt pelihara dan lanjutkan."*
(Mourning the passing of Prof. Kappel. Hopefully his initiative for our department will continue to be maintained and continued.)

❖ Dr. Iwan Endrayanto Alucius, S.Si., M.Sc.

▪ Department of Mathematics, Universitas Gadjah Mada

✚ *"Turut berduka. Semoga prof. Kappel beristirahat dalam damai di Surga."*
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