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Status of Projects

December 31, 1955

1. NUMERICAL ANALYSIS

RESEARCH IN THEORIES OF DISCRETE STRUCTURES

Task 1100-10-5116/56-159

Origin: NBS

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Sponsor: Office of Naval Research

Manager: O. Taussky-Todd

Full task description: July-Sept 1955 issue, p. 1

Status: CONTINUED. In connection with the work of this task, K. Goldberg and M. Newman have studied certain subgroups of the modular group G and have determined sufficient conditions for two elements of G to generate a free subgroup of G . A manuscript on the subject has been prepared (see item (14) below). This work was started through a particular problem raised by J. L. Brenner (State College of Washington), from which O. Taussky suggested a generalization.

The two-dimensional analog of the Wirtinger inequality was further studied by Ky Fan, O. Taussky, and J. Todd. It was noted earlier that in the symmetrical case (n^2 variables) equality occurs for vectors that are linear combinations of a certain set of four n^2 vectors. In the unsymmetrical case of mn variables, however, there is equality only for vectors that are linear combinations of two mn -vectors.

T. Kato and O. Taussky have given several proofs of the theorem that a bounded operator A in Hilbert space is normal if and only if A^*A-AA^* commutes with A . For finite matrices two proofs are given without the use of characteristic roots. The theorem is established in the case when the elements of the matrix are elements of an abstract field provided it is formally real or that the relation $\sum a_i a_i = 0$ implies $a_i = 0$ when $\bar{}$ is an involution in the field. This enables the theorem to be used for matrices whose elements are polynomials in several indeterminates, e.g., group matrices. Generalizations of the theorem were also found. The first vanishing commutator of the form $(A, (A, \dots (A, (A, A^*) \dots)) \dots)$ has been examined for some special types of finite matrices. A paper on commutators of A and A^* will appear (see (13)).

T. Kato has proved that the (infinite) Hilbert matrix (a_{ik}) , $(i, k=1, 2, \dots)$, with $a_{ik} = (i+k)^{-1}$ has a positive eigenvector belonging to the eigenvalue π , thus answering in the affirmative a question raised by O. Taussky (Research Problem 12, Bull. Amer. Math. Soc. 60, 290 (1954)). The methods of proof were suggested by an examination of the actual numerical values of the eigenvectors of the finite segments of the matrix. Some of the material examined was published by R. A. Fairthorne and J.C.P. Miller (MTAC 3, 399-400 (1948-9)) and also by O. Taussky (Quart. J. Math., Oxford Ser. 20, 80-83 (1949)); relevant computations had been carried out previously at New York University Institute of Mathematical Sciences on the UNIVAC, and special computations were carried out by K. Goldberg on SEAC. A manuscript has been prepared (12).

Publications:

- (1) On a generalization of the normal basis in abelian algebraic number fields. M. Newman and O. Taussky. To appear in Communications on Pure and Applied Mathematics (New York University).
- (2) A note on group matrices. O. Taussky. To appear in the Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society.
- (3) The formal power series for $\log(e^X \cdot e^Y)$. K. Goldberg. To appear in the Duke Mathematical Journal.
- (4) The number of absolute points of a correlation. A. Hoffman, M. Newman, E. Straus, and O. Taussky. To appear in the Pacific Journal of Mathematics.
- (5) Some computational problems in algebraic number theory. O. Taussky. To appear in the Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society Sixth Symposium on Applied Mathematics, held at Santa Monica, California, August 1953.
- (6) Bounds and asymptotic behavior of the coefficients in the series $\log(e^X e^Y)$. K. Goldberg. In manuscript.
- (7) Unimodular integral circulants. O. Taussky. Appeared in Schur Memorial Volume, Math. Zeitsch. 63, 286-289 (1955).
- (8) Algebraic equations satisfied by roots of natural numbers. E. G. Straus (University of California at Los Angeles) and O. Taussky. To appear in Pacific Journal of Mathematics.
- (9) Pairs of matrices with property L, II. T. S. Motzkin and O. Taussky. To appear in Transactions of the American Mathematical Society.
- (10) Generation and testing of pseudo-random numbers. O. Taussky and J. Todd. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (11) An algebraic proof of the isoperimetric property of polygons. Ky Fan, O. Taussky and J. Todd. J. Washington Acad. Sci. 45, 339-342 (1955).
- (12) On the Hilbert matrix. T. Kato. In manuscript.
- (13) Commutators of A and A^* . T. Kato and O. Taussky. To appear in the Journal of the Washington Academy of Sciences.
- (14) Some free subgroups of the modular group. K. Goldberg and M. Newman. In manuscript.

RESEARCH IN NUMERICAL ANALYSIS AND RELATED FIELDS

Task 1101-10-1104/55-55

Origin: NBS

Managers: J. Todd, P. Davis

Full task description: July-Sept 1954 issue, p. 1

Authorized 8/13/54

Revised 8/29/54

Status: CONTINUED. H. A. Antosiewicz has continued his investigation of Lyapunov's second method. The concept of quasi-asymptotic stability, which means the asymptotic stability of a solution that is not (simply) stable relative to neighboring solutions, is shown to play a role similar to the quasi-uniform asymptotic stability introduced by J. Massera. It is distinct from the concept of asymptotic stability in Lyapunov's sense but implies it for certain classes of differential equations. A number of converses to the classical Lyapunov theorems are proved. (See publication (14) below.)

P. Davis and K. Fan have continued their study of certain inequalities in normed linear spaces and their application to problems of interpolation and approximation.

Completeness of order p has been introduced and studied. A sequence $\{f_n\}$ is called complete of order p , $p \geq 1$, if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |f_n|_p < \infty$ implies $\emptyset = 0$. Making use of the space $X \oplus \ell^p$, that is, the direct sum of X with the sequential Banach space ℓ^p , it has been found possible to derive necessary and sufficient conditions in order that $\{f_n\}$ be complete of order p . Such conditions again appear as statements on the possibility of approximation with

coefficients restricted in size. New theorems of Paley-Wiener type have also been obtained.

P. Davis has been conducting numerical experiments on SEAC for the determination of the least p -th power approximation ($p \geq 2$). The method is an iterative one that makes use of an orthonormalizing code ($p = 2$), already developed.

The test program for pseudo random numbers prepared by T. Kato is being elaborated and exploited by J. M. Cameron.

J. Todd has been preparing a survey of various topics belonging to the so-called constructive theory of functions that are of interest or of actual or potential use in numerical analysis. Among these are the theorems of Weierstrass, Bernstein, the Markoffs, Chebyshev, Zolotareff.

K. Goldberg has continued his study of generating functions and their induced convolutions. Specific attention has been given to the generating function $\sum_{s=1}^{\infty} f(sx)$ and the generalized convolution $\sum f_1(x_1) \dots f_n(x_n)$ summed for all positive integers x_i such that $(x_1, \dots, x_n) = x$ for a fixed n . Several identities have been found when the functions considered are multiplicative. The formula $f(m)f(n) = f(mn/(m,n))f((m,n))$, $f(1) = 1$, which is an equivalent definition for multiplicity, is basic to these considerations.

Publications:

- (1) Stable systems of differential equations with integrable perturbation term. H. Antosiewicz. To appear in the Journal of the London Mathematical Society.
- (2) Computation of vibration modes and frequencies on SEAC. W. Cahill and S. Levy (NBS 6.4). J. Aeronautical Sci. 22, 837-843 (1955).
- (3) On a problem in the theory of mechanical quadratures. P. Davis. Pac. J. Math. 5, Suppl. 1, 669-674 (1955).
- (4) On the Lerch zeta function. F. Oberhettinger. To appear in the Pacific Journal of Mathematics.
- (5) A subroutine for computations with rational numbers. P. Henrici. To appear in the Journal of the Association for Computing Machinery.
- (6) A direct approach to the problem of stability in the numerical solution of partial differential equations. J. Todd. In manuscript.
- (7) Some Monte Carlo experiments for computing multiple integrals. P. Davis and P. Rabinowitz. To appear in Mathematical Tables and Other Aids to Computation.
- (8) Abscissas and weights for Gaussian quadratures of high order. P. Davis and P. Rabinowitz. To appear in the Journal of Research (NBS).
- (9) Numerical experiments in potential theory using orthonormal functions. P. Davis and P. Rabinowitz. To appear in the Journal of the Washington Academy of Sciences.
- (10) Inequalities and approximation in function spaces. P. Davis and K. Fan. In manuscript.
- (11) A matrix with real characteristic roots. K. Goldberg. To appear in Journal of Research (NBS).
- (12) Note on bounds for determinants. E. V. Haynsworth. In manuscript.
- (13) On asymptotic stability. H. A. Antosiewicz. In manuscript.

RESEARCH IN MATHEMATICAL TOPICS APPLICABLE TO
NUMERICAL ANALYSIS

Task 1101-10-5116/55-56

Origin: NBS
Sponsor: Office of Naval Research
Managers: J. Todd, M. Newman
Full task description: July-Sept 1954 issue, p. 5

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Status: CONTINUED. A numerical computation for the determination of the lowest frequency of a free square plate has been carried out on SEAC by T. Kato in collaboration with M. Newman. The computation is based on a formula giving upper and lower bounds of eigenvalues of positive definite operators (see T. Kato, Math. Ann. 126, 253-262 (1953)). It makes use of many of the basic codes for matrix operations that were prepared by M. Newman, some of which were described in a previous report and some below, and a pair of trial functions introduced by Y. Nakata and H. Fujita were used containing 6 and 8 adjustable parameters. The result, in a suitable unit, is $3.5257 < \nu < 3.5292$. This is a rigorous estimate.

Some inequalities have been deduced by T. Kato for estimating the dominant eigenvalue of a positive matrix. It is believed that these improve earlier results of various authors.

The following new programs have been prepared by M. Newman:

- MI2. External floating point matrix inversion and solution of equations routine. Computes $A^{-1}B$, where A, B are given matrices of dimensions not exceeding 384. Solving time for two sets of 40 equations in 40 unknowns is approximately one hour. Inversion of a 100x100 matrix would require approximately 20 hours. A large part of the time is tape running time. Data is in standard form.
- MO3. General purpose output routine for all external matrix codes in this collection.
- MM4. External floating point multiplication routine. Computes the product AB , where A, B are given matrices (not necessarily square) of dimensions not exceeding 256.
- MA2. External floating point addition routine. Computes $\alpha A + \beta B$, where α, β are scalars and A, B are given matrices (not necessarily square) of dimensions not exceeding 256.

A. J. Hoffman and J. B. Kruskal (Princeton University) have continued their study of conditions under which a rectangular incidence matrix has the unimodular property (every square submatrix is singular or unimodular). Let G be a directed graph; a path in G is an ordered sequence of nodes v_1, \dots, v_r such that the arc $v_i v_{i+1}$ is positive; a loop in the associated undirected graph $|G|$ is said to be alternating if its arcs are traversed alternately in positive and negative directions. Let A be the incidence matrix of nodes vs. all paths of G . Then A has the unimodular property if and only if all loops in $|G|$ are alternating. This result is applied to the study of "cross sections" of families of subsets. A family of subsets of a given set has the "inclusive property" if, whenever two of the sets have a non-empty intersection, one is a subset of the other. Let R be a finite set, $S = \{S_1, \dots, S_m\}$, $T = \{T_1, \dots, T_n\}$ be two families of subsets each with the inclusive property. Let $0 \leq a_i \leq b_i$ ($i = 1, \dots, m$), $0 \leq c_j \leq d_j$ ($j = 1, \dots, n$) be given integers. Necessary and sufficient conditions are given for the existence of a cross section $C \subseteq R$ such that $a_i \leq \overline{C \cap S_i} \leq b_i$ ($i = 1, \dots, m$) and $c_j \leq \overline{C \cap T_j} \leq d_j$ ($j = 1, \dots, n$). (\overline{K} denotes the cardinality of the set K .) The proof depends on the foregoing result on incidence matrices. A special case of the cross section theorem proves the following:

Let a set R of nk elements be partitioned in two ways into $\{S_1, \dots, S_k\}$, $\{T_1, \dots, T_k\}$, $\bar{S}_i = \bar{T}_i = n$ ($i = 1, \dots, k$). Then for any m with $0 \leq m \leq n$, there exists a set $C \subseteq R$ such that $\bar{C} = mk$, $\overline{C \cap S_i} = m = \overline{C \cap T_i}$ ($i = 1, \dots, k$).

M. Newman and J. Todd have considered a problem raised by C. Störmer about the solutions in integers of certain equations of the form $m p^{-1}(x) + n p^{-1}(y) = k\omega$ where p is the Weierstrassian elliptic function, with certain invariants. Some new solutions were obtained, and effective methods for computation of all solutions are being investigated.

In connection with some work undertaken previously, a certain class of elliptic modular functions is being studied by M. Newman. The object of the study is to determine a polynomial basis for the entire modular functions on $\Gamma_0(p)$.

Professor Stiefel (Zurich) has revised his manuscript, "Kernel Polynomials in Linear Algebra", in preparation for publication.

Publications:

- (1) The normalizer of certain modular subgroups. M. Newman. To appear in the Canadian Mathematical Journal.
- (2) Generalizations of identities for the coefficients of certain modular forms. M. Newman. To appear in Journal of the London Mathematical Society.
- (3) Compactification of completely regular spaces. Ky Fan and F. Wagner (University of Notre Dame). In manuscript.
- (4) On dominant eigenvalues of positive matrices. T. Kato. In manuscript.
- (5) A comparison theorem for eigenvalues of normal matrices. Ky Fan. To appear in the Pacific Journal of Mathematics.
- (6) On certain series expansions involving Whittaker functions and Jacobi polynomials. P. Henrici. Pac. J. Math. 5, Suppl. 1, 725-744 (1955).
- (7) On generating functions of the Jacobi polynomials. P. Henrici. To appear in the Pacific Journal of Mathematics.
- (8) An identity for the coefficients of certain modular forms. M. Newman. J. London Math. Soc. 30, 488-493 (1955).
- (9) Error bounds for eigenvalues of symmetric integral equations. H. Wielandt. To appear in the Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society Sixth Symposium on Applied Mathematics, held at Santa Monica, California, August 1953.
- (10) Fully convex normed linear spaces. Ky Fan and I. Glicksberg (RAND Corporation). Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci. 41, 947-953 (1955).
- (11) On eigenvalues of sums of normal matrices. H. Wielandt. Pac. J. Math. 5, 633-638 (1955).
- (12) A theorem on alternatives for pairs of matrices. H. A. Antosiewicz. Pac. J. Math. 5, 641-642 (1955).
- (13) On systems of distinct representatives. A. J. Hoffman and H. W. Kuhn (Bryn Mawr College). To appear in Annals of Mathematics Study 38.
- (14) Systems of linear inequalities. Ky Fan. To appear in the Annals of Mathematics Study 38.
- (15) Systems of distinct representatives and linear programming. A. J. Hoffman and H. W. Kuhn (Bryn Mawr College). To appear in the American Mathematical Monthly.
- (16) On a theorem of Dilworth. G. B. Dantzig (RAND Corporation) and A. J. Hoffman. To appear in Annals of Mathematics Study 38.
- (17) On "overshoot" in the "furthest hyperplane" method. R. Bryce. In manuscript.
- (18) Notes on some scheduling programs. A. J. Hoffman. In manuscript.
- (19) On block relaxation. L. S. Joel. In manuscript.
- (20) On the minimization of concave and convex functionals. G. B. Dantzig (RAND Corporation), A. J. Hoffman, W. Hirsch (New York University). In manuscript.
- (21) The lowest frequency of a free square plate. H. Fujita (University of Tokyo), T. Kato, Y. Nakata (University of Tokyo) and M. Newman. In manuscript.

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- (22) An inclusion theorem for modular subgroups. M. Newman. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (23) A table of the coefficients of the powers of $\eta(\tau)$. M. Newman. To appear in the Proceedings of the Royal Netherlands Academy of Science.
- (24) On the existence of identities for the coefficients of certain modular forms. M. Newman. To appear in Journal of the London Mathematical Society.
- (25) An alternative proof of a theorem on unimodular groups. M. Newman. To appear in the Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society.

ANALYTIC STUDY OF WAR GAMES

Task 1101-10-5116/55-83

Origin and Sponsor: Armament Branch, ARDC, USAF
 Manager: H. A. Antosiewicz
 Full task description: Oct-Dec 1954 issue, p. 7

Authorized 12/29/54

Status: CONTINUED. Dr. Antosiewicz attended the Michigan Conference on War Game Simulation for Senior Air Force Officer Training, held at Ann Arbor, November 11, 12, and participated in a panel discussion on mathematical models for strategic war games.

Publication:

- (1) Analytic study of war games. H. A. Antosiewicz. To appear in the Naval Research Logistics Quarterly.

STUDIES IN THE THEORY OF ASYMPTOTIC EXPANSIONS

Task 1101-10-5116/55-116

Origin: NBS
 Sponsor: Office of Scientific Research, ARDC, USAF
 Manager: P. Davis
 Full task description: Jan-Mar 1955 issue, p. 8

Authorized 3/31/55

Status: COMPLETED. A report has been submitted to the sponsor.

Publication:

- (1) Uniqueness theory for asymptotic expansion in arbitrary domains. P. Davis. In manuscript.

STUDY OF DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS FOR NERVE EXCITATION

Task 1101-10-5116/56-148

Origin and Sponsor: National Institutes of Health,
 Bethesda, Md.
 Manager: H. A. Antosiewicz
 Full task description: July-Sept 1955 issue, p. 7

Authorized 9/30/55

Status: CONTINUED. In searching for values of the parameter K for which solutions of the basic system of differential equations have a prescribed behavior, 21 cases have been run so far. The results indicate a great sensitivity of the system to small changes in the parameter K as well as in the integration steps used.

Publication:

- (1) Automatic computation of nerve excitation. K. S. Cole (Naval Medical Research Institute), H. A. Antosiewicz and P. Rabinowitz. J. Soc. Ind. Appl. Math. 3, 153-172 (1955).

2. MATHEMATICAL TABLES AND PROGRAMMING RESEARCH

TABLES OF $E_1(z)$, ($z=x+iy$)

Task 1102-40-1110/43-3

Manager: I. Stegun

Authorized 7/1/47

Full task description: Apr-June 1949 issue, p. 41

Status: CONTINUED. Preparation of an introduction to accompany publication of the completed tables continued.

TABLES OF COULOMB WAVE FUNCTIONS

Task 1102-40-1110/47-2

Origin: NBS

Authorized 7/1/47

Manager: M. Abramowitz

Full task description: Apr-June 1949 issue, p. 45

Status: CONTINUED. A code has been prepared for generating the functions F_L , F'_L , G_L , G'_L for given values of ρ and η and varying L .

In the range $.5 \leq \eta \leq 2$ five-figure accuracy is obtained and for $\eta < .5$ and $\eta > 2$ seven-figure accuracy is possible.

A table of the functions G_0 and G'_0 was prepared and transferred to punched cards. The values are given for $\rho = 0(.5)40$, $\eta = 1(.5)19.5$ and $\rho = 0(.5)50$, $\eta = 20(.5)25$.

TABLES OF POWER POINTS OF ANALYSIS OF VARIANCE TESTS

Task 1102-40-1110/51-8

Origin: Section 11.3, NBS

Authorized 3/26/51

Manager: S. Peavy

Full task description: Apr-June 1951 issue, p. 49

Status: CONTINUED. Computations for the main body of the table have been completed on SEAC. An investigation is under way to determine the most desirable method for calculating the remainder of the table.

REVISION OF MATHEMATICAL TABLES

Task 1102-40-1110/52-7

Origin: NBS

Authorized 8/10/51

Managers: W. F. Cahill, I. Stegun

Full task description: July-Sept 1951 issue, p. 41

Status: INACTIVE.

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TABLE OF ARCSIN FOR COMPLEX ARGUMENTS
Task 1102-40-1110/52-14

Origin: NBS Authorized 10/1/51
Manager: B. Urban
Full task description: July-Sept 1951 issue, p. 41

Status: INACTIVE. For status to date, see Jan-Mar 1955 issue, p. 11.

EXTENSION OF THE TABLE OF HYPERBOLIC SINES AND COSINES
Task 1102-40-1110/52-18

Origin: NBS Authorized 9/17/51
Manager: K. Nelson
Full task description: July-Sept 1951 issue, p. 41

Status: COMPLETED.

Publication: Table of hyperbolic sines and cosines ($x = 2(.001)10, 9S$).
Applied Mathematics Series 45. Available from U. S. Government Printing
Office, Washington 25, D. C., 55 cents.

TABLE OF THE MODIFIED AIRY INTEGRAL
Task 1102-40-1110/52-23

Origin: NBS Authorized 10/4/51
Manager: I. Stegun
Full task description: July-Sept 1951 issue, p. 42

Status: CONTINUED. Preparation of the manuscript for publication
continued.

TABLE OF ERROR FUNCTION FOR COMPLEX ARGUMENTS
Task 1102-40-1110/52-25

Origin: NBS Authorized 10/5/51
Manager: W. Hall
Full task description: July-Sept 1951 issue, p. 42

Status: INACTIVE. For status to date, see Oct-Dec 1954 issue, p. 11.

EXTENSION OF TABLES OF THE EXPONENTIAL FUNCTION FOR
NEGATIVE ARGUMENTS
Task 1102-40-1110/52-31

Origin: NBS Authorized 10/9/51
Managers: E. Marden, S. Prusch
Full task description: July-Sept 1951 issue, p. 43

Status: COMPLETED.

Publication: Table of the descending exponential ($x=2.5$ to $x=10, 20D$).
Applied Mathematics Series 46. Available from U. S. Government Printing
Office, Washington 25, D. C., 50 cents.

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SPHEROIDAL WAVE FUNCTIONS
Task 1102-40-1110/52-37

Origin: NBS
 Manager: D. Liepman
 Full task description: Oct-Dec 1951 issue, p. 38

Authorized 11/28/51

Status: INACTIVE.

SIEVERT'S INTEGRAL
Task 1102-40-1110/52-57

Origin: NBS
 Managers: M. Paulsen, P. O'Hara
 Full task description: Jan-Mar 1952 issue, p. 46

Authorized 2/12/52

Status: CONTINUED. The tabular values have been typed on the card-controlled typewriter and checking is in progress. Preparation of the introductory material continued.

L-SHELL CONVERSION COEFFICIENTS
Task 1102-40-1110/53-52

Origin: Oak Ridge National Laboratory
 Manager: W. Hall
 Full task description: Apr-June 1953 issue, p. 45

Authorized 5/20/53

Status: CONTINUED. Computations for L_{III} shell, $z = 35$, were completed. For $z = 45$ and $z = 95$, eigenvalues were determined and computations were made for some k values. Computations for K shell, $z = 65$, were completed.

AUTOMATIC CODING
Task 3711-60-0009/55-65

Origin: NBS
 Manager: J. Wegstein
 Full task description: July-Sept 1954 issue, p. 11

Authorized 9/29/54

Status: CONTINUED. A Base 01 code was placed in service containing the following service routines and subroutines (in addition to those in the Base 00 code): Cube Root, Equation Solver, Move Routine, Input-Output Service Routines, Iterator. The "base code" system is facilitated by a four-address computer and a fast input unit (magnetic wire on the SEAC). The Base 00 and Base 01 systems are used with the four-address SEAC entirely, in lieu of an automatic compiler system.

H. H. Howe (82.10) has completed the preparation of a "Manual for SEAC coding in the three-address system" (in manuscript form).

The following Technical Memoranda by J. H. Wegstein are completed:

- (1) Input-Output service routines for Base 00 codes
- (2) Move subroutine
- (3) Experimental iteration routine

MATHEMATICAL SUBROUTINES
Task 3711-60-0009/56-160

Origin: NBS

Authorized 9/30/55

Managers: Staff

Full task description: July-Sept 1955 issue, p. 13

Status: CONTINUED. A Base 00 floating routine for evaluating the modified Bessel function of the second kind $K_n(x)$ was written, which employs the integral representation $K_n(x) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x \cosh t} \cosh nt \, dt$.

The integral representation may be used for all values of the variable x . The routine employs the trapezoidal rule, and the integration interval is automatically chosen to give results correct to within one or two units in the eighth significant figure.

3. PROBABILITY AND MATHEMATICAL STATISTICS

BIBLIOGRAPHY AND GUIDE TO STATISTICAL LITERATURE Task 1103-10-1107/49-1a

Origin: NBS

Authorized 1/9/49

Manager: L. S. Deming

Full task description: Apr-June 1949 issue, p. 75

Status: CONTINUED. For a description of the continuing activity on this task, see the Jan-Mar 1954 issue, p. 49.

MANUAL ON FITTING STRAIGHT LINES Task 1103-10-1107/50-2

Origin: NBS

Authorized 3/1/50

Manager: F. S. Acton

Full task description: Jan-Mar 1950 issue, p. 42

Status: CONTINUED. The manuscript is currently with technical advisers for comment.

TABLES TO FACILITATE DRAWING RANDOM SAMPLES Task 1103-10-1107/51-1

Origin: NBS

Authorized 7/1/50

Managers: C. Eisenhart, L. S. Deming

Full task description: July-Sept 1950 issue, p. 57

Status: INACTIVE. For status to date, see July-Sept 1952 issue, p. 64.

MISCELLANEOUS STUDIES IN PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS Task 1103-10-1107/51-2

Origin: NBS

Authorized 7/1/50

Manager: C. Eisenhart

Full task description: July-Sept 1950 issue, p. 58

Status: CONTINUED. A first draft of a paper on "The probability of non-failure of several components" by Joan R. Rosenblatt was prepared.

Publications:

- (1) Time-discrete stochastic processes in arbitrary sets, with applications to processes with absorbing regions and to the problem of loops in Markoff chains. D. van Dantzig. Accepted for publication (in French) in *Annales de l'Institut Henri Poincaré* (Paris).

- (2) A comparison between the mean successive difference and the root mean square successive difference. S. Geisser. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (3) A note on the normal distribution. S. Geisser. To appear in the Annals of Mathematical Statistics.
- (4) Inequalities for probabilities associated with the multivariate normal distribution. I. R. Savage. Submitted to a technical journal.

PROCEDURES OF NON-PARAMETRIC STATISTICS

Task 1103-10-1107/52-2

Origin: NBS

Authorized 9/17/51

Manager: I. R. Savage

Full task description: July-Sept 1951 issue, p. 66

Status: **TERMINATED**. For latest report on this task see July-Sept 1954 issue, p. 22. Further work under this task will be reported under task 1103-10-1107/56-170 (see p.14).

Publications:

- (1) Easily used simultaneous confidence limits for a line. W. S. Connor. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (2) Contributions to the theory of rank order statistics. I. R. Savage. Submitted to a technical journal.

STUDIES IN THE MATHEMATICS OF EXPERIMENT DESIGN

Task 1103-10-1107/53-1

Origin: NBS

Authorized 10/15/52

Manager: W. H. Clatworthy

Full task description: Oct-Dec 1952 issue, p. 60

Status: **CONTINUED**. Reading of the work on partially balanced incomplete block (PBIB) designs for publication continued. The publication will include (1) W. H. Clatworthy's enumeration and construction of a large number of PBIB designs, which considerably extends the list given in Bose, Clatworthy, and Shrikhande, (2) the duals of a number of these designs that were worked out by C. Burton and Dr. Clatworthy, and (3) proofs by Mr. Burton of some theorems regarding the existence of such duals.

Publications:

- (1) Partially replicated Latin squares. W. J. Youden and J. S. Hunter (American Cyanamid Co.). To appear in Biometrics.
- (2) On partially balanced incomplete block designs with two associate classes. W. H. Clatworthy. In manuscript.
- (3) Exact tests of significance for combining inter- and intra-block information. M. Zelen. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (4) On the analysis of covariance. M. Zelen. Submitted to a technical journal.

RESEARCH ON MATHEMATICAL ASPECTS OF ORDER
STATISTICS METHODS
Task 1103-10-1107/55-110

Origin: NBS

Authorized 3/3/55

Manager: J. Lieblein

Full task description: Jan-Mar 1955 issue, p. 31

Status: CONTINUED. Attention was given to several types of problems in the asymptotic theory of extreme values that had arisen in practical applications. One problem involved the relationship of alternative limiting processes to the selection of an asymptotic type for fitting a given set of extreme data. A second problem was to investigate the behavior of an extreme event as a function of duration, for example, the relationship between the peak five-minute wind intensity and the considerably higher peak one-minute intensity. The results of this work were included in notes for a talk on developments in the application of extreme value theory presented before the Annual Meeting of the Institute of Mathematical Statistics in New York City on December 27.

Publication:

- (1) Application of extreme-value theory to cobbles and boulders in gravel deposits. W. C. Krumbein (Northwestern University) and J. Lieblein. Submitted to a technical journal.

STUDY OF NON-PARAMETRIC STATISTICAL TECHNIQUES
Task 1103-10-1107/56-170

Origin: NBS

Authorized 12/15/55

Manager: Joan R. Rosenblatt

Objective: To conduct research on the properties and interpretation of so-called non-parametric statistical methods. This includes, in particular, "distribution-free" tests and the analysis of rankings.

Background: There is great need for better understanding of techniques of statistical analysis which may be used when only very general assumptions can be made about the underlying stochastic process which generates data. Criteria are needed for choosing among various distribution-free methods which have been proposed for similar experimental situations. Many experimental situations yield data in the form of paired comparisons or rankings; there is great need for work on models which will lead to the efficient design and analysis of such experiments.

Comment: This task supersedes task 1103-10-1107/52-2 (Procedures of non-parametric statistics), terminated this quarter, which had a somewhat different objective.

Status: NEW. An investigation is being made, in collaboration with G. L. Burrows of the Department of Agriculture, of the distribution properties of certain statistics which measure agreement among judges, when m judges have assigned rankings to n objects.

A paper on the asymptotic efficiency of certain types of non-parametric tests is nearly completed.

4. MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS

RESEARCH IN MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS AND RELATED FIELDS Task 1104-10-1115/55-57

Origin: NBS

Authorized 9/1/54

Manager: R. F. Dressler

Full task description: July-Sept 1954 issue, p. 27

Status: CONTINUED. At the invitation of the Research Committee on Pressure Elements of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, R. F. Dressler prepared a discussion consisting of an analysis and evaluation of the Haringx linear and non-linear theories of corrugated elastic diaphragms.

P. Henrici solved a problem concerning generalized axially symmetric potentials. A. Weinstein and others have shown that every solution $u(x,y)$ of the equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{2\nu}{y} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0 \quad (\nu \neq -1, -2, -3, \dots),$$

which is regular in a domain containing a segment of the axis $y = 0$, is uniquely determined by its values on $y = 0$. The present study answers the question to what extent the domain of regularity of the function $g(z)=u(z,0)$ (considered as a function of complex z) determines the domain of regularity of $u(x,y)$. This generalized earlier results of A. Erdélyi and G. Szégo.

P. Henrici also continued his investigation of the Quotient-Difference algorithm of H. Rutishauser. Basically a method for determining the poles of a meromorphic function from the coefficients of one of its Taylor expansions, the algorithm can be applied to problems such as the computation of the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of a matrix, factorization of polynomials, interpolation by sums of exponentials, and others. A comprehensive report on this subject has now been prepared.

A new addition theorem has been derived by P. Henrici for the product of two Jacobi polynomials, and a useful series expansion has been derived for the integral

$$f_n(x,y,z) = \text{Im} \int_0^\infty e^{-z\sqrt{t^2-y^2}} J_n(xt) \frac{t dt}{\sqrt{t^2-y^2}},$$

which for $n = 0$ is related to Sommerfeld's integral.

P. Chiarulli has initiated a study on axially symmetric propagation of strong shocks in gases. A similarity analysis has been started to explore the feasibility of considering, as an approximation to the actual shock, a shock of ellipsoidal shape with the center of the ellipsoid in motion.

Publications:

- (1) A discussion of the Haringx diaphragm theories. R. F. Dressler. To be published in the Transactions of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.
- (2) Addition theorems for general Legendre and Gegenbauer functions. P. Henrici. J. Rational Mech. Anal. 4, 983-1018 (1955).

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- (3) On the representation of a certain integral involving Bessel functions of hypergeometric series. P. Henrici. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (4) Review by P. Henrici of "Kernel functions and elliptic differential equations in mathematical physics," by S. Bergman and M. Schiffer. Bull. Amer. Math. Soc. 61, 596-600 (1955).
- (5) Automatic computations with power series. P. Henrici. To appear in the Journal of the Association for Computing Machinery.
- (6) On the domain of regularity of generalized axially symmetric potentials. P. Henrici. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (7) The quotient-difference algorithm. P. Henrici. In manuscript.

RESEARCH IN ELECTROMAGNETIC THEORY

Task 1104-10-5160/54-47

Origin and Sponsor: Diamond Ordnance Fuze Laboratory,
Department of the Army

Authorized 6/29/54
Revised 9/29/54

Manager: F. Oberhettinger

Full task description: July-Sept 1954 issue, p. 28

Status: INACTIVE.

RESEARCH IN MATHEMATICAL ELASTICITY

Task 1104-10-5160/55-85

Origin: NBS

Authorized 12/27/54

Sponsor: Office of Scientific Research, ARDC, USAF

Manager: R. F. Dressler

Full task description: Oct-Dec 1954 issue, p. 30

Status: CONTINUED. The most difficult phase of this project has been successfully completed, namely, the derivation of a practical and accurate analysis and accompanying computational procedure for determining all stresses under combined stretching and bending, and all displacements, for any corrugated pressure elements of arbitrary profile and thickness, under any type of lateral loading and boundary conditions. Full results for the clamped edge and semi-free edge problems together with a full description of the method have been presented in a paper, "Properties of corrugated diaphragms," by R. F. Dressler, at the American Society of Mechanical Engineers National Meeting, Chicago, Ill., November 13-18. (See publication (1) below.) The second phase of the project is now in progress,-- to solve a sequence of problems for a diaphragm of fixed shape for different values of the thickness parameter, in order to settle the important question concerning the relative importance of stretching versus bending effects. Two thicknesses corresponding to h ($= .007$ in.) and $3h$ have now been computed, and cases $h/3$ and $h/9$ remain to be done. A third phase of the project will then be an analysis of the effect on stress concentrations by addition of a central stiffening disk, frequently used in instrumentation applications. All of these results should follow easily from the basic procedure now available.

On the vibrating triangular wing problem a method for determining the lowest mode and frequency has been successfully completed. Several cases have been computed for different values of Poisson's ratio, which for this application to plates with free edges remains an essential parameter since it appears explicitly in the boundary conditions. It has been shown that a matrix of order 45 is sufficiently large for obtaining the lowest mode.

For the second mode the method has not yet been successful. Here our use of the hypergeometric polynomial matrix function to spread the eigenvalues for faster convergence produces values which converge rapidly, but not to the correct result. Likewise the results for the bi-orthogonal left- and right-hand eigenvectors are not now correct. Intensive checking of the code has therefore been in progress by I. Rhodes and U. Hochstrasser by studying small matrices having known spectra.

An investigation has been started by R. F. Dressler on the theory of the edge effect in generalized plane stress, utilizing some of the stretching methods for the boundary layer domain already successfully applied to the bending problem for plates. The basic three-dimensional equations have been set up in the interior space variables and in the transformed variables for the edge domain half-space. One object is to obtain the correct simplified differential equations and associated boundary conditions for describing stresses near the edge in thin and thick plates.

Publication:

- (1) Properties of corrugated diaphragms. R. F. Dressler. To appear in the Transactions of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (now available as ASME Preprint No. 55-A-181).

FOURIER TRANSFORMS OF PROBABILITY DISTRIBUTION FUNCTIONS

Task 1104-10-5160/56-154

Origin: NBS

Authorized 9/30/55

Sponsor: Office of Naval Research

Managers: F. Oberhettinger, J. Lieblein

Full task description: July-Sept 1955 issue, p. 20

Status: CONTINUED. Slightly more than 600 Fourier transforms for distribution functions have been compiled so far. The compilation includes some previously underived results that have been generated to increase its scope. The results are now arranged in a systematic card index, which is immediately applicable for publication in book form.

RESEARCH IN FLUID DYNAMICS OF TWO-PHASE FLOWS

Task 1104-10-5160/56-155

Origin: Office of Naval Research

Authorized 9/30/55

Sponsor: " "

Manager: R. F. Dressler

Full task description: July-Sept 1955 issue, p. 21

Status: CONTINUED. Appropriate discontinuity relations have been derived that are valid for the states on either side of an idealized plane interface with a condensable gas on one side and condensed liquid on the other. The theory has been set up for a general case where discontinuities are permitted in all thermodynamic and kinetic quantities. Some typical calculations for the specific application to steam and water have been carried out. An investigation is now being made to find typical initial conditions which would lead to such a condensation interface, both with and without heat conduction through the duct walls. The question of the extent of the analogy between this phenomena and flame-fronts is also under investigation.

A study is also in progress on the quasi-one-dimensional steady flow of a submerged steam jet. The model is as follows: Steam flows from an

infinite reservoir of steam at given state into another water reservoir, thus forming a steam pocket surrounded by water. All the steam is assumed to condense on a vertical end wall of water with given pressure and temperature. The side walls of the jet therefore consist of a non-condensing water interface. The equations of motion and energy balance including friction at the side walls, heat-conduction through the side walls, and heat conduction in the steam have been studied. The boundary conditions at the end wall will depend upon the outcome of the discontinuity study outlined above. This particular model has been chosen to study the flow which occurs with various combinations of the initial parameters, and to ascertain whether such a flow is possible in a continuous manner, or whether it would be necessary to include shock or condensation phenomena within the steam pocket itself.

RESEARCH IN MATHEMATICAL GEOPHYSICS

Task 1104-10-5160/56-156

Origin: The American University
Sponsor: Office of Naval Research
Manager: R. Stoneley

Authorized 9/30/55

Full task description: July-Sept 1955 issue, p. 21

Status: CONTINUED. A problem on the variation of amplitude of Rayleigh waves with depth in an elastic medium with a double surface layer has been formulated by R. Stoneley and programmed for SEAC by U. Hochstrasser. This is now awaiting computation.

The mathematical part of an investigation of the propagation of Rayleigh waves in an elastic medium with a double surface layer covered with uniform thickness of water has been completed by Dr. Stoneley and has been written up for publication. The equation giving the wave velocity as a function of wave length appears as an 11-row determinant, which is now being programmed for numerical solution on the SEAC.

An investigation has begun of the hydrodynamical problem concerning the turbidity current initiated by a submarine earthquake.

Dr. Stoneley is continuing the preparation of a monograph on elastic surface waves.

Publications:

- (1) The transmission of Rayleigh waves across an ocean floor with two-surface layers. R. Stoneley. To appear in the Bulletin of the Seismological Society of America.

RESEARCH IN RADIATION THEORY

Task 1104-10-5160/56-175

Origin: NBS
Sponsor: Office of Naval Research
Manager: F. Oberhettinger

Authorized 12/28/55

Objective: (a) To study the rigorous solutions to certain important problems in electromagnetics, such as diffraction from a linear antenna in front of a semi-infinite reflecting screen or a semi-infinite conducting wedge having arbitrary angle α . It is aimed to obtain valid representations for rigorous solutions to such problems to serve as a standard for evaluating the usual approximate results, which neglect the full exact boundary conditions in the formulation. (b) To attempt to obtain an improved representation for

the Green's function $G(P)$ associated with a rectangular wave guide to overcome the disadvantage of the present double series expansion, which is not convergent when the radiation point source Q is in the same cross sectional plane as P . (c) To determine modes in ferrite elements.

Background: (a) The excitation problem for an infinite wedge of arbitrary angle has appeared in F. Oberhettinger's paper, "Diffraction of waves by a wedge," (Comm. Pure Appl. Math. 7, (1955)), but the semi-infinite case appears to present more difficulty and should be studied in general. Only the case $\alpha = \pi$ has so far been treated (see A. E. Heins, Carnegie Institute of Technology Tech. Report No. 17 (1955)). Results concerning the edge effects for reflecting screens would be useful. (b) To determine the interior and exterior field of a slotted wave guide antenna, a representation of Green's function is needed that would hold for all relative positions of the points P and Q . (c) The ferrites, because of their high resistivities, exhibit new and useful magnetic properties at frequencies well above those at which the usual magnetic alloys are applicable. A basic problem is that of a cylindrical ferrite rod in free space.

Status: NEW.

5. MATHEMATICAL AND COMPUTATIONAL SERVICES

1102-40-5126/50-13 RAY TRACING

Origin and Sponsor: NBS, Section 2.2

Manager: E. Marden

Full task description: Jan-Mar 1950 issue, p. 33

Status: Inactive

1102-40-5126/51-37 MOLECULAR STRUCTURE, III

Origin and Sponsor: Naval Research Laboratory, USN

Manager: P. O'Hara

Full task description: July-Sept 1951 issue, p. 50

Status: Continued. Signs of the normalized structure factor E were determined for 300 reflections of the dimethoxybenzophenone crystal. A three-dimensional Fourier synthesis was computed for this crystal using E as amplitude.

1102-40-5126/52-44 CALCULATIONS FOR d SPACINGS

Origin and Sponsor: NBS, Division 9

Manager: R. Zucker

Full task description: Oct-Dec 1951 issue, p. 47

Status: Continued. Calculations for d -spacings were performed continuously for various tetragonal, hexagonal and orthorhombic crystals; about 20 were carried out during the past quarter. Also redetermination of unit cell constants by least squares fitting to measured d -spacings was performed for about 20 crystals.

1102-40-5126/53-27 COMPUTATION OF THERMODYNAMIC FUNCTIONS

Origin and Sponsor: NBS, Section 3.2

Manager: E. Marden

Full task description: Jan-Mar 1953 issue, p. 57

Status: Continued. Using different physical constants, thermodynamic functions were re-computed for several molecules.

1102-40-5126/53-51 RADIATION DIFFUSION

Origin: NBS, Section 4.8

Sponsor: Atomic Energy Commission

Manager: J. Doggett (4.8)

Full task description: Apr-June 1953 issue, p. 57 (Neutron Diffusion III)

Status: Continued. The Mott formula for the elastic scattering of electrons and positrons by nuclei has been evaluated for Al, Cu, Sn, Pb and U at various energies in the range $.05 \leq E \leq 10$ Mev.

1102-40-5126/54-13 AWARD OF PROCUREMENT CONTRACTS BY LINEAR PROGRAMMING

Origin and Sponsor: New York Quartermaster Procurement Agency

Manager: H. Bremer

Full task description: Oct-Dec 1953 issue, p. 43

Status: Continued. Analysis of contract award problems are processed on SEAC as they are submitted by the sponsor.

3711-60-0009/54-17 DEPOLYMERIZATION

Origin: NBS, Section 7.6

Manager: J. Bram

Full task description: Oct-Dec 1953 issue, p. 44

Status: Continued. Several cases were run, and the results transmitted to the originator.

3711-60-0009/54-22 ENERGY DISTRIBUTIONS ON OPTICAL IMAGE

Origin: NBS, Section 2.2

Manager: L. S. Joel

Full task description: Jan-Mar 1954 issue, p. 43

Status: Continued. The new code, which uses Filon's method for quadrature of an oscillating function, was completed and is being checked.

3711-60-0009/54-30 SPECTRUM ANALYSIS

Origin: NBS, Division 4

Manager: S. Prusch

Full task description: Jan-Mar 1954 issue, p. 46

Status: Continued. SEAC codes have been written and checked out for computing wave numbers from given wavelengths and for searching for pairs of lines having a common difference. A code is being prepared to search for differences between all known and predicted levels for pairs of lines which confirm known levels and predict new levels. Searching for pairs of lines for approximately 76 common differences was carried out for ruthenium I.

3711-60-0009/54-38 COMPRESSIBILITY FACTORS OF DRY AIR

Origin: NBS, Section 3.2

Manager: M. Paulsen

Full task description: Jan-Mar 1954 issue, p. 48

Status: Inactive. For status to date, see Apr-June 1955 issue, p. 12.

1102-40-5126/55-39 MOLECULAR VIBRATIONS

Origin and Sponsor: NBS, Section 3.2

Manager: K. Goldberg

Full task description: July-Sept 1954 issue, p. 16

Status: Inactive.

1102-40-5126/54-43 CHARACTERISTICS OF CONDUCTING RESISTORS

Origin and Sponsor: NBS, Section 1.6

Manager: B. G. Urban

Full task description: Apr-June 1954 issue, p. 40

Status: Inactive. For status to date, see Apr-June 1955 issue, p. 12.

3711-60-0009/55-53 ELECTRONIC FUNCTIONS

Origin: NBS, Section 4.5

Manager: W. G. Hall

Full task description: Apr-June 1955 issue, p. 12

Status: Continued. Editing of the card deck into format suitable for printing was completed. An introduction to the tables, by L. L. Marton, C. Marton, and W. G. Hall, has been prepared.

1102-40-5126/55-58 ELECTROMAGNETIC RADIATION FROM LIGHTNING

Origin and Sponsor: NBS, Section 82.1

Manager: B. G. Urban

Full task description: Jan-Mar 1955 issue, p. 17

Status: Inactive. For status to date, see Jan-Mar 1955 issue, p. 17.

1102-40-5126/55-61 ELASTIC CROSS SECTION FOR NEUTRON SCATTERING

Origin and Sponsor: Naval Research Laboratory

Manager: I. Stegun

Full task description: Oct-Dec 1954 issue, p. 18

Status: Inactive. For status to date, see Apr-June 1955 issue, p. 13.

3711-60-0009/55-66 RECONSTITUTION OF MONOCHROMATIC LIGHT INTENSITIES

Origin: NBS, Division 30

Manager: H. Bremer

Full task description: July-Sept 1954 issue, p. 18

Status: Inactive. For status to date, see Oct-Dec 1954 issue, p. 19.

3711-60-0009/55-68 CRYSTAL STRUCTURE CALCULATIONS

Origin: NBS, Division 9

Manager: I. Stegun

Full task description: Jan-Mar 1955 issue, p. 18

Status: Continued. A general code has been written by D. R. Prosen that will calculate two- and three-dimensional Fourier and Patterson functions. This routine can be used for all crystallographic space groups and has the further advantage that it can calculate selectively certain Fourier or Harker sections.

1102-40-5126/55-74 LIQUID-VAPOR TRANSITION, II

Origin and Sponsor: Naval Medical Research Institute

Manager: S. Prusch

Full task description: Jan-Mar 1955 issue, p. 19

Status: Continued. Solution of the integral equation on punched card machines continued for one more value of the parameter and one given set of functional values.

3711-60-0009/55-75 PARAMETER OF THE DISPERSION EQUATION FOR OPTICAL GLASS

Origin: NBS, Section 2.2

Manager: R. Zucker

Full task description: Jan-Mar 1955 issue, p. 20

Status: Continued. Further calculations for the refractive index of KRS-5 were carried out for n at 19°C, 25°C, and 31°C.

1102-40-5126/55-81 COMBINING TESTS FOR SIGNIFICANCE

Origin: NBS, Section 11.3

Manager: L. S. Joel

Full task description: Oct-Dec 1954 issue, p. 23

Status: Continued. The code is complete, and results are being transmitted to the originator as they are computed (about 5000 values to date).

3711-60-0009/55-82 THERMOMETER CALIBRATIONS

Origin: NBS, Section 3.1

Manager: S. Prusch

Full task description: Jan-Mar 1955 issue, p. 20

Status: Continued. Calibrations were completed for constants α , σ and β for for approximately 25 thermometers under test.

1102-40-5126/55-87 "ZERO" METHOD DETERMINATION OF CRYSTAL STRUCTURE

Origin and Sponsor: NBS, Section 9.7

Manager: J. Bram

Full task description: Jan-Mar 1955 issue, p. 22

Status: Terminated. Trial runs had indicated the inadequacy of the present method of computation.

1102-40-5126/55-88 STRESSES IN A WALL FOUNDATION

Origin and Sponsor: NBS, Section 10.1

Managers: E. Marden, G. Hawkins

Full task description: Jan-Mar 1955 issue, p. 22

Status: Continued. Using new coefficients, stresses for another wall foundation were computed, and results were transmitted to the sponsor.

1102-40-5126/55-103 MISSOURI RIVER PROBLEM

Origin and Sponsor: Missouri River Division, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army

Manager: H. Bremer

Full task description: Jan-Mar 1955 issue, p. 26

Status: Continued. Several cases have been run on UNIVAC, and the routines have been rewritten to accommodate larger amounts of data.

1102-40-5126/55-105 AERONOMIC TIDAL WINDS OF THERMAL ORIGIN

Origin and Sponsor: NBS, Section 82.1

Managers: B. G. Urban, H. H. Howe (82.1)

Full task description: Jan-Mar 1955 issue, p. 26

Status: Inactive. For status to date, see Jan-Mar 1955 issue, p. 26.

1102-40-5126/55-113 REACTOR DESIGN

Origin: Westinghouse Atomic Power Division

Sponsor: Atomic Energy Commission

Manager: U. Hochstrasser

Full task description: Jan-Mar 1955 issue, p. 28

Status: Continued. Checking of the codes mentioned in the previous issue has been completed. Several runs have been made with various over-relaxation factors in order to determine the influence of this factor on the convergence of the approximations to the solution of the system of difference equations. Further runs are planned for investigating the effect of scanning in different ways through the points in the grid.

1102-40-5126/55-117 ATTENUATION OF PRESSURE PULSES OF FINITE AMPLITUDE

Origin: NBS, Section 3.2

Sponsor: Bureau of Aeronautics, U. S. Navy

Manager: M. Paulsen

Full task description: Apr-June 1955 issue, p. 18

Status: Inactive. For status to date, see July-Sept 1955 issue, p. 30.

1102-40-5126/55-118 THERMOMETER CALIBRATION, II

Origin and Sponsor: NBS, Section 3.1

Manager: B. G. Urban

Full task description: Apr-June 1955 issue, p. 18

Status: Continued. The code is being expanded to compute certain constants and differences formerly computed by hand; then it will be revised to produce calibration tables at one-fifth the former interval.

Status of Projects

1102-40-5126/55-121 ELECTRON PENETRATION

Origin: NBS, Section 4.8Sponsor: Atomic Energy CommissionManager: S. PeavyFull task description: Apr-June 1955 issue, p. 19Status: Continued. A new code is in the process of being written for a simpler method devised by L. V. Spencer (4.8).

1102-40-5126/55-122 SOLUTION OF NORMAL EQUATIONS

Origin: Advisory Committee on Weather ControlSponsor: U. S. Weather BureauManager: M. NewmanFull task description: Apr-June 1955 issue, p. 20Status: Inactive.

1102-40-5126/55-123 TEMPERATURE DISTRIBUTION

Origin: NBS, Section 6.4Sponsor: NBS, Section 6.4Manager: W. G. HallFull task description: Apr-June 1955 issue, p. 19Status: Continued. The code was used on a test problem especially devised to try out all parts of the code. The results were as expected.

1102-40-5126/55-126 AERODYNAMIC HEATING

Origin and Sponsor: Diamond Ordnance Fuze Laboratory, Dept. of the ArmyManagers: B. Walter, R. CapuanoFull task description: July-Sept 1955 issue, p. 31Status: Continued. The aerodynamic heating T_w has been calculated for four missile trajectories, with each trajectory calculated for four different values of missile shell heat capacity (1/B),

$$\Delta T_w = \frac{\overline{T_{AW}} - T_w}{\frac{1}{\overline{Bh_e \Delta t}} + \frac{1}{2}}$$

Then T_w was calculated for the above with the following modifications:(1) $\overline{Bh_e \Delta t}$ increased by + 1.6%, (2) $\overline{T_{AW}}$ increased by + 8°F, and $\overline{Bh_e \Delta t}$ increased by .4%. In each case the modifications were originated at various positions of the missile trajectory.

1102-40-5126/55-127 VIBRATIONS OF CIRCULAR DISC

Origin and Sponsor: Evans Signal LaboratoryManager: U. HochstrasserFull task description: July-Sept 1955 issue, p. 32Status: Continued. The solutions for the preliminary problem mentioned in the July-September 1955 issue were computed on SEAC and transmitted to the sponsor. Codes for solving the main equations have been written and checked out.

3711-60-0009/56-131 RAY TRACING

Origin: NBS, Section 2.2Manager: E. MardenFull task description: July-Sept 1955 issue, p. 33Status: Inactive. For status to date, see July-Sept 1955 issue, p. 33.

1102-40-5126/56-133 COMPLEX EIGENVALUES

Origin: Moore School of EngineeringSponsor: Office of Naval ResearchManager: I. StegunFull task description: July-Sept 1955 issue, p. 33Status: Continued. The largest eigenvalues have been obtained for seven matrices of order 10 and one matrix of order 6.

1102-40-5126/56-134 TRANSMISSION-DELAY TIMES

Origin: NBS, Section 82.1Sponsor: NBS, Section 82.1Managers: B. G. Urban, H. H. Howe (82.1)Full task description: July-Sept 1955 issue, p. 34Status: Inactive.

1102-40-5126/56-136 CALCULATION OF WAVE FUNCTIONS BY HARTREE METHOD

Origin: Naval Research LaboratorySponsor: " " "Manager: S. PeavyFull task description: July-Sept 1955 issue, p. 34Status: Continued. After the code was checked out, several runs were made. However, since this code used considerable time on SEAC, new approximations for $V(r)$ were derived by the sponsor and a new code is to be written. The new equations for $V(r)$ are:For $r < \frac{1}{\mu}$,

$$V(r) = 3I \left[- \int_0^{\frac{1}{\mu}-r} |R(z)|^2 dz + \frac{1}{4r} \int_{\frac{1}{\mu}-r}^{\frac{1}{\mu}+r} |R(z)|^2 \left[z + \frac{1}{2} \left(r^2 - \frac{1}{\mu^2} \right) - 2r \right] dz \right];$$

for $r \geq \frac{1}{\mu}$,

$$V(r) = \frac{3I}{4r} \int_{r-\frac{1}{\mu}}^{\frac{1}{\mu}+r} |R(z)|^2 \left[z + \frac{1}{2} \left(r^2 - \frac{1}{\mu^2} \right) - 2r \right] dz.$$

1102-40-5126/56-137 STABILITY OF SUPPORTED PLATES

Origin and Sponsor: National Advisory Committee on AeronauticsManager: R. ZuckerFull task description: July-Sept 1955 issue, p. 35Status: Continued. Computations for $r=3$ and $r=2$ were completed for various combinations of k_c, k_s, β . As answers are obtained, they are submitted to the sponsor and graphed. From time to time additional sets of parameters are calculated around maxima and minima.

1102-40-5126/56-138 CRYSTAL COUNTER EFFICIENCY

Origin and Sponsor: Naval Research Laboratory

Manager: L. Joel

Full task description: July-Sept 1955 issue, p. 36

Status: Continued (Reactivated). The sponsor requested data for two additional distances: 0 and 3 cm. These were computed.

1102-40-5126/56-139 STUDY OF INTERNUCLEAR POTENTIAL FOR H₃

Origin and Sponsor: NBS, Section 3.2

Manager: E. Haynsworth

Full task description: July-Sept 1955 issue, p. 36

Status: Continued. The main code was checked out and several problems were run. An additional code was written to compute the total electronic energy of the system, which is a function of the vector coefficients c_{ij} obtained by the previous calculation. That is,

$$E = T_r [(\rho^{1\alpha} + \rho^{1\beta} + \rho^{2\alpha})H + \sum_{p,r,q,t=1}^3 J_{prqt} [\rho_{rt}^{2\alpha} (\rho_{pq}^{1\alpha} + \rho_{pq}^{1\beta}) + \rho_{pq}^{1\alpha} \rho_{rt}^{1\beta} - \rho_{pr}^{1\alpha} \rho_{qt}^{1\beta}].$$

The 3x3 matrices $\rho = (\rho_{ij})$ are found as products $C^t C$ of the vectors $C_1^\alpha, C_1^\beta, C_2^\alpha$, and the J_{prqt} are given two-electron integrals over atomic orbitals.

1102-40-5126/56-140 MULTIPLE CORRELATION ROUTINES

Origin and Sponsor: Agricultural Economics Division, Department of Agriculture

Managers: H. Bremer, M. Paulsen

Objective: To analyze on SEAC economic data on natural commodities.

This involves the preparation of routines to obtain the normal equations, the regression coefficients and their standard errors, the multiple correlation coefficients, the standard error of estimate and the constant term for sets of commodity data, and the development of a program toward fitting systems of equations relating to the data by the limited information approach.

Background: The Agricultural Marketing Service of the Agricultural Economics Division undertakes a program to determine the extent to which economic factors influence the utilization and prices of natural commodities in the nation, such as cotton, corn, wheat, hogs, beef cattle, and others. The analysis for each commodity will be used to predict estimates of future utilization and price, or for analyzing the effects of alternative Government policies with respect to these commodities.

Status: New. The codes were written, and checking is in progress.

1102-40-5126/56-141 X-RAY SPECTRA CALIBRATION

Origin and Sponsor: NBS, Section 4.11

Manager: I. A. Stegun

Objective: To obtain energy and angular distributions for the X-rays produced in thin targets by high energy electrons. The electron energies are 2.5, 5, and 10 Mev, and the target materials are beryllium, aluminum, and gold. A theoretical expression for this distribution, given by Gluckstern and Hull (Physical Review 90, 1030 (1953)), is to be used.

Background: The X-radiation from all high-energy electron accelerators has a continuous distribution in energy. Every experiment performed with such a machine depends upon the shape of this distribution. Although these experiments have been in progress for the last fifteen years, no rigorous interpretation of them has been possible because the shape was not known accurately. Recently techniques have been developed at NBS with which to measure high-energy X-ray energies and a well-controlled experiment has been performed to measure the shape and to compare with theory. The experiment was performed in considerable detail at a variety of angles and energies. Therefore, in order to make a complete comparison with theory, the theoretical expression must be evaluated at the same energies and angles.

The problem was requested by H. W. Koch of the NBS Betatron Section (4.1).

Status: Completed (New). The results were transmitted to the sponsor.

1102-40-5126/56-143 CHARGED PARTICLE TRAJECTORIES IN THE MAGNETIC FIELD OF THE EARTH

Origin and Sponsor: Naval Research Laboratory

Manager: J. H. Wegstein

Objective: To integrate numerically the differential equations which determine the trajectories of a charged particle in the magnetic field of the earth.

The particles are primarily protons and the field of the earth is represented as that of a magnetic dipole. Using Störmer units in a cartesian coordinate system, the equations of motion for the particles are

$$\ddot{x} = -(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-5/2} [(2z^2 - x^2 - y^2) \dot{y} - 3yz\dot{z}]$$

$$\ddot{y} = -(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-5/2} [(x^2 + y^2 - 2z^2) \dot{x} + 3xz\dot{z}]$$

$$\ddot{z} = 3z [h(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-5/2} + (x^2 + y^2)(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-4}]$$

where $h = (x\dot{y} - y\dot{x}) - (x^2 + y^2)(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-3/2}$.

These equations are to be numerically integrated from given initial conditions, using the Runge-Kutta method for simultaneous differential equations. The accuracy of the calculation is to be checked periodically by observing the values of $\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 + \dot{z}^2$ which should equal 1. The integration interval is determined automatically from the curvature C obtainable by the formula $C^2 = \ddot{x}^2 + \ddot{y}^2 + \ddot{z}^2$.

Background: Observations on the time and space variation of the earth's magnetic field suggest the presence of large electrical currents in the upper atmosphere. The existence of these currents is also indicated by recent experiments of W. H. Bennett on the Störmertron, a device which may be described as an analogue computer for the determination of trajectories in a dipole field. In the present calculations those trajectories will be investigated which appear favorable for the production of large currents. The Störmertron results and the earlier calculations of Störmer will be used as guides in the choice of initial conditions for these trajectories.

This problem is being programmed for solution with the NORC.

Status: New. The code has been written and checked out on the NORC. The trajectories for 111 cases have been computed, and the results were sent to the sponsor.

1102-40-5126/56-145 GAMMA-RAY SPECTROSCOPY

Origin and Sponsor: NBS, Section 4.1Manager: M. NewmanObjective: To compute the inverse of a 56x56 matrix arising in gamma-ray spectroscopy, and to find the solutions of several systems of equations in 56 unknowns with this matrix as ground matrix.Background: The problem arises in connection with scintillation spectrometers.

A recent experiment performed in the Betatron Laboratory resulted in a large number of pulse height distributions obtained with the scintillation spectrometer. The conversion of these distributions into Bremstrahlung spectra that can be compared with theory requires the use of the inverse of a 56x56 matrix. The computation was requested by M. Starfeld (4.1).

Status: Completed (New). The inverse of the 56x56 matrix and the solutions of the corresponding equations (about 15) were computed. The results were transmitted to the sponsor.

1102-40-5126/56-146 SPORADIC-E THEORY BY TURBULENCE

Origin and Sponsor: NBS, Section 82.1Managers: B. G. Urban, H. H. Howe, (82.1)

Objective: To compute tables showing the transmission, t , of a parabolic E-region of thickness $2Y$, subject to uniform turbulence, as a function of three parameters ρ , k , and P . Given f_c = critical frequency of E-region, and f = frequency of wave under study, then $\rho = f/f_c$, which is greater than 1. Given l = linear dimension of the turbulence (definable only on a statistical basis) and λ_c = wavelength in free space of a wave of the critical frequency, then $k = 4\pi l/\lambda_c$, and k is of the order of unity. The mean ion-density N varies as $1-z^2$ between $z=-1$ and $z=1$, and is zero elsewhere; z is the altitude, suitably modified to make it dimensionless. Turbulence causes the ion-density to change from N to $N+\Delta N$; ΔN varies with position and time, but we here assume that the mean square of $\Delta N/N$ is constant, of the order of .0001. P is defined as $(\Delta N/N)^2 \cdot (Y/2l)$, and is of the order of .01. The transmission t of the layer is computed by the following formulas in reverse order:

$$t = e^{-\tau}, \quad \tau = P \int_{-1}^1 \left(\frac{1-z^2}{\rho^2 - (1-z^2)} \right)^2 F dz,$$

$$F = \frac{(\rho^2 + 2)^2}{2(\rho^2 + 1)} - \frac{\rho^2 + 2}{\rho^2} \log_e (\rho^2 + 1), \quad \rho^2 = k^2(\rho^2 - 1 + z^2).$$

The transmission is tabulated both as t and in decibels, where the latter is computed as $10 M\tau$. The integration is performed by the nine-point Gaussian formula.

Background: Sometimes the E-region of the ionosphere reflects radio waves of a frequency much higher than normal. This is called Sporadic E and implies a much greater ion-density than normal. The theory that is here being studied assumes that sporadic E occurs because of irregularities in the ion-density caused by turbulence. This investigation covers only the first of a number of models: It is assumed that the general level of ion-density is a parabolic function of height, and that the turbulence is uniform throughout the region (i.e., percent fluctuation from general level is the same throughout the region, and linear dimensions of fluctuations are the same throughout). At this time, only the amount of radiation that passes through the E-region to the F-region is computed.

Status: Completed (New). The required tables were computed and transmitted to the originator.

1102-40-5126/56-147 GROUND-WAVE ATTENUATION

Origin and Sponsor: NBS, Section 82.1

Managers: B.G.Urbán, H. H. Howe (82.1)

Objective: To compute the intensity \mathcal{I} of a radio ground-wave as a function of four parameters $D, f, \sigma,$ and k . Here D is the distance in km; f is the frequency in kc/sec; σ is the conductivity of the ground (assumed the same throughout the path) in mhos/meter; k is the ratio by which the radius of the earth is increased to allow for atmospheric refraction. The result is a complex number and is to be given in both polar and rectangular forms, $T = P + iQ = Re^{i\theta}$.

The formulas involve double summation and involve certain auxiliary parameters; certain peculiarities of form arise from the fact that they are only approximations to other more involved formulas. The formulas are:

$$K = 830.45 \sqrt{\sigma/\sqrt{f}} \sqrt[3]{f}, \quad \chi = .0008022 D f^{1/3}/k^{2/3},$$

$$\delta = (K/k^{1/3})e^{i(135^\circ)}, \quad T = \sqrt{2\pi i} \chi \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^{i\tau_s \chi}}{2\tau_s - (1/\delta)^2},$$

$$\tau_s = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} A_{s,j} \quad \text{or} \quad \sum_{j=0}^{\bullet} B_{s,j}$$

where the A-series is used for large δ and the B-series for small δ . The terms of the series are found by iteration formulas:

If $j > 1,$

$$A_{s,j} = \left(-\frac{1}{2A_{s,0}}\right) \left[\sum_{n=1}^{j-1} A_{s,n} A_{s,j-n} - \frac{1-2}{j} \left(\frac{1}{\delta^2}\right) A_{s,j-2} \right];$$

$$B_{s,j} = \left(\frac{j-2}{j}\right) (\delta^2) \left[\sum_{n=0}^{j-2} B_{s,n} B_{s,j-n-2} \right]$$

For $j=1,$

$$A_{s,1} = \left(-\frac{1}{2A_{s,0}}\right) \left(\frac{1}{\delta}\right), \quad B_{s,1} = -\delta.$$

For $j = 0,$ the formula if s is large is:

$$A_{s,0} = \frac{1}{2} [3\pi(s + \frac{1}{4})]^{2/3} [e^{i\pi/3}],$$

and the formula for $B_{s,0}$ is identical, except that the $1/4$ is replaced by $3/4$. But for small $s,$ a more accurate value is to be obtained from the following table:

s:	0	1	2	3	4	5
$A_{s,0}$:	0.808	2.577	3.824	4.892	5.851	6.737
$B_{s,0}$:	1.856	3.245	4.382	5.386	6.305	7.161

where all values are multiplied by $e^{i\pi/3}$.

The dividing point between the A and B series, at which neither one converges, occurs where $|\delta^2 \tau_s| = \frac{1}{2}$. When this equation is nearly satisfied convergence is so slow that it is impracticable, since all values of A or B must be retained in the memory until they become negligibly small. Hence, for small D, where many values of s must be used, there is quite a range of values of δ (and hence of f) for which the computations cannot be carried out by these formulas. It is probable that they could be computed by analytic continuation.

Background: In connection with studies of low-frequency radio propagation, information is needed relating the field strength broadcast by a source to that of the ground wave reaching a distant point. The tables we prepared in this task express the theoretical relation between them for various values of four parameters.

Status: New. A code was prepared to a suitably scaled parameter D, and computations were made for 12 values of f and for three values each of D and δ .

1102-40-5126/56-149 LOGICAL MATRIX MULTIPLICATION

Origin and Sponsor: Signal Corps Engineering Laboratories

Manager: D. Jirauch

Objective: To multiply logically according to certain rules the rows of an incidence matrix of order 170. The results desired are (a) a certain symmetric incidence matrix, and (b) certain n-tuples of numbers, where n should be as large as 16, if possible.

Background: The problem arises in the assignment of broadcast frequencies to transmitters in a given area so that interference is at a minimum. The elements (0 or 1) of the symmetric incidence matrix indicate the presence or absence of interference between transmitters operating on two frequencies; the desired results are sets of 16 frequencies no two of which interfere with each other.

Status: Completed (New). The results were transmitted to the sponsor.

1102-10-5126/56-151 MULTIPLE SCATTERING IN CROSS SECTION MEASUREMENTS

Origin and Sponsor: Naval Research Laboratory

Manager: I. Rhodes

Objective: To compute corrections for multiple scattering of neutrons in thick target measurements by Monte Carlo techniques.

Background: In cross section measurements with thick targets, allowance must be made for the possibility that the incident particle will scatter more than once before emerging from the target. These multiple scattering events may make a major contribution to the detected flux. Their magnitude may be determined by an iterative Monte Carlo computation, using the single scattering results as the starting point in the iteration. The program has been developed for the geometry of a ring target, and for specific application to measurements on the angular distribution of elastically scattered neutrons in the medium energy region. The problem was proposed by R. Jastrow and H. Wagnon of the Naval Research Laboratory.

Status: New.

1102-40-5126/56-152 COST ACCOUNTING OPERATIONS FOR HIGH SPEED COMPUTERS, II

Origin and Sponsor: Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, Department of the Navy

Manager: G. Hawkins

Full task description: July-Sept 1955 issue, p. 38

Status: Continued. A code to distribute expenditures and obligations was written, and code-checking of this on UNIVAC was started. A code to handle special shipyard installations was also written. The code for presenting and editing the output is almost completed.

1102-40-5126/56-153 VIBRATIONAL EIGENVALUES OF HYDROGEN, DEUTERIUM AND TRITIUM COMPOUNDS

Origin and Sponsor: NBS, Section 3.2

Manager: E. Haynsworth

Objective: To determine the eigenvalues of the non-symmetric product, FG , of positive definite, symmetric, $n \times n$ matrices, F and G , which arise in the study of molecular spectra.

Background: The eigenvalues obtained from this routine are related simply to the normal vibrations of the atoms in the molecule. The group of molecules for which the frequencies are presently being calculated are ammonia, phosphine, arsine, and stibine and all of the possible isotopes formed by substitutions of hydrogen, deuterium and tritium. This constitutes a group of 40 molecules now under consideration. The secular equations are sixth degree corresponding to the six vibrational degrees of freedom which exist for these molecules. The normal frequencies are unique in that any vibration of a system can be expressed as a superposition of normal frequencies. The ultimate goal is to use these normal frequencies to compute thermodynamic functions, namely, specific heats, free energy, enthalpy, and entropy, for all 40 molecules. The plan is to continue this type of calculation for molecules associated with 18th degree secular equations and perhaps with equations of even higher degree.

Status: Completed (New). Some of the matrices had enough elements alike to satisfy the conditions of a theorem by E. Haynsworth (not yet published) by use of which the matrices could be reduced by inspection to matrices of smaller order which had the same roots. In this particular problem $n=6$, and these matrices were reduced to three 2×2 matrices. So the problem of finding the roots was trivial.

For the non-reducible matrices, a general routine was set up to factor the matrix F into the product $C'C$, where C is a real upper triangular matrix, and C' is its transpose. Then the symmetric matrix CGC' was formed, and its eigenvalues found, as CGC' had the same roots as FG .

The completed computations were transmitted to the sponsor.

1102-40-5126/56-157 DAMAGE ASSESSMENT

Origin and Sponsor: Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Supply and Logistics)

Managers: A. J. Hoffman, H. Bremer

Objective: To develop programs for obtaining, by means of high-speed computers, estimates of the damage to the country from enemy air attack.

Background: For purposes of analysis, it is vital that the Department of Defense be able to deduce, from a knowledge of the weapon characteristics and ground zeros of an enemy air attack, estimates of the damage inflicted on the population and productive facilities of the country. Previous work on this problem has produced a set of UNIVAC codes, and it is the object of the present task to reformulate the procedures in order to obtain programs for UNIVAC that will (1) permit a more realistic assessment of the damage and (2) produce output in a more usable form, yet (3) keep the computing time within reasonable bounds.

Status: New. Some conferences on weapon effects have been held, and preliminary flow charting for part of the program has been started.

1102-40-5126/56-158 FEDERAL RESERVE DATA

Origin and Sponsor: Federal Reserve Board

Manager: E. Marden

Objective: To program and code for UNIVAC a series of tabulations based on data collected from the 12 Federal Reserve districts. The tabulations will furnish such information as numbers of loans, amounts outstanding, etc., and will make use of cross classifications according to such

characteristics of the loan data as business of borrower, assets of borrower, maturity dates, geographical location of borrower, and others.
Background: The processing of data for this survey, which occurs from time to time at the Federal Reserve Board, is being carried out on a digital computing machine for the first time. This tabulation will be used to assess the application of digital computing machines to the Board's work.
Status: New.

1102-40-5126/56-163 **ANGULAR DISTRIBUTIONS AND POLARIZATION EFFECTS IN NUCLEAR SCATTERING**

Origin and Sponsor: Naval Research Laboratory

Manager: I. Stegun

Objective: To calculate differential cross sections and polarization effects in the nuclear scattering of neutrons and protons by numerical integration of the wave equation and exact computation of asymptotic phase shifts.

Background: Experiments have been performed on the angular distribution of neutrons and protons elastically scattered by nuclei at energies up to 300 million volts. Polarization effects in double scattering have also been measured, primarily at high energies. The theoretical interpretation of these measurements provides information regarding several aspects of nuclear structure, among these the mean radius and density profile of the nucleus, the absorption coefficient and refractive index of nucleons in nuclear matter, and the strength of the spin-orbit coupling.

In the present calculations the nucleus is represented by a complex potential well of arbitrary radial form, with the coulomb field and a Thomas spin-orbit term included. The phase shifts which determine the cross section are computed exactly by numerical integration of the wave equation in this potential. The calculations will include a survey of cross sections for neutrons and protons over the full range of energies and atomic weights.

Calculations have been carried out at energies of 150 and 300 million volts, in which the same nuclear model is assumed, but phase shifts are computed in WKB approximation. Below 100 million volts the WKB approximation is inadequate and the present analysis based on exact computation of the phase shifts is required. Exact calculations will also be carried out at the higher energies, however, for comparison with the WKB results.

The problem was proposed by Dr. Robert Jastrow of the Naval Research Laboratory.

Status: New. The code was written and is being checked for a sample problem describing the scattering of protons by aluminum at 300 Mev.

3711-60-0009/56-164 **TRANSIENT HEAT FLOW PROBLEM, II**

Origin: NBS, Section 10.2

Manager: W. F. Cahill

Objective: To obtain data on transient heat flow through various geometrical configurations which closely approximate structures tested by the NBS Fire Protection Section (10.2).

Background: This task is a continuation of task 1102-40-5126/54-45 for additional values of the parameters.

Status: Completed (New). The cases for the new parameters were computed and were sent to the originator.

1102-40-5126/56-165 **INTEGRALS FOR SCATTERING FUNCTIONS**

Origin and Sponsor: Naval Research Laboratory

Manager: R. Zucker

Objective: To evaluate 11 mathematical expressions involving integrals that are functions of six parameters. The integrands involve the function

$$I = \frac{1}{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1) \sin^2 (\delta_n - \delta_{n+1})} = f(\xi, p),$$

where

$$\tan \delta_n = \frac{-J_n(\xi^{\frac{1}{2}}) \tan \bar{I}_n - \xi^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{J_n'(\xi^{\frac{1}{2}})}{J_n(\xi^{\frac{1}{2}})}}{Y_n(\xi^{\frac{1}{2}}) \tan \bar{I}_n - \xi^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{Y_n'(\xi^{\frac{1}{2}})}{Y_n(\xi^{\frac{1}{2}})}}$$

$$\tan \bar{I}_n = \frac{1}{2} \frac{p}{(p-\xi)^{\frac{1}{2}}} - (p-\xi)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \left(n+1 - \frac{p}{2(p-\xi)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right)$$

$$\cdot \frac{F\left(n+2 - \frac{p}{2(p-\xi)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \mid 2n+2 \mid 2(p-\xi)^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)}{F\left(n+1 - \frac{p}{2(p-\xi)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \mid 2n+2 \mid 2(p-\xi)^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)}$$

J_n is a spherical Bessel function and Y_n is a spherical Neumann function.

Background: In the measuring of the transport properties of semiconductors, it has become necessary to evaluate the influence of the scattering of free charge carriers by ionized impurities. The existing theoretical treatments amount to calculations in Born approximations and are thus restricted to the condition that the wavelength of the charge carrier be much smaller than the size of the scattering center. This excludes from the allowed range most of the concentrations of impurities and regions of temperature where ionized impurity scattering is dominant. In order to get the correct picture over the range realizable by experiment, it is necessary to obtain the above exact calculations.

Status: New. The code was written, and checking was started.

1102-40-5126/56-171 COLLISION INTEGRALS USED IN TRANSPORT THEORY

Origin and Sponsor: NBS, Section 3.2

Manager: J. Cooper

Objective: To compute a table of transport properties as a function of temperature. This involves three steps:

(a) To calculate the angle of deflection of a particle scattered by a central force,

$$\chi(g, b) = \pi - 2b \int_{r_m}^{\infty} \frac{dr/r^2}{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{b}{r}\right)^2 - \frac{\phi(r)}{g^2}}}$$

where χ is the angular deviation measured from the initial line of approach of the particle,

g is the relative velocity of the particle and the force center,
 s is the impact parameter or distance of the line of approach from a line drawn parallel to it through the force center,

r_m is the distance of closest approach,

$\phi(r)$ is the potential of the force center.

This involves solution by an iterative process of the equation

$$\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{b}{r}\right)^2 - \frac{\phi(r)}{g^2}} = 0$$

to find the largest root and then integration to find the value of χ as a function of g and b for various potential functions.

(b) To evaluate the collision integrals for parameters l and s (integers < 5), and T (ranging from .1 to 1),

$$\Omega(l, s, T) = \frac{4}{(s+1)_0 T^{s+2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1+(-1)^l}{1+l}\right)} .$$

(1)

$$\cdot \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \exp - \frac{g^2}{T} [1 - \cos^l \chi(g, b)] g^{2s+3} b \, db \, dg$$

(c) To combine the collision integrals for each value of T to compute the transport properties.

Background: The problem is communicated by Dr. Melville S. Green, NBS Thermodynamics Section.

Status: New.

6. STATISTICAL ENGINEERING SERVICES

COLLABORATION ON STATISTICAL ASPECTS OF NBS RESEARCH AND TESTING Task 3737-60-0002/51-1

Origin: NBS

Authorized 7/1/50

Managers: W. J. Youden, J. Cameron

Full task description: July-Sept 1950 issue, p. 60

Status: CONTINUED. During this quarter members of the Section provided statistical assistance and advice to a number of Bureau personnel. The following are representative examples:

(1) Fitting of polynomials to data on atomic spectra was carried out with the aid of SEAC, for E. K. Plyler and H. C. Allen, Jr., of Section 4.2.

(2) Least squares determination of the virial coefficients of air was done on SEAC, for A. Friedman of Section 3.2.

(3) Experimental data were analyzed for evaluating the modulus of rupture of O^o sapphire rods over a range of temperatures, for J.B. Wachtman of Section 9.1.

(4) The experimental results of full-scale field trials, which made use of a 1/4 fractional replication experimental design, were analyzed for P. Haas of Section 33.1, DOFL, with the aid of SEAC.

(5) An investigation of the precision of measuring the sound absorption coefficient was carried out for R. Waterhouse of Section 6.1.

(6) Two exploratory experiments were planned and analyzed for evaluating how well judges can discriminate distinctness of image and brightness characteristics for standard wood samples, for I. Nimeroff of Section 2.1.

(7) Some exploratory work on the distribution of properties of fuels which are mixtures of two other fuels was done for R. S. Jessup of Section 3.2.

Publications:

- (1) National physical standards and design of experiments. W. J. Youden. To appear in Revue de L'Institut International de Statistique (The Hague).
- (2) More scientists. W. J. Youden. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (3) A simplified calibration of platinum versus platinum-rhodium thermocouples. B. E. Squires (3.1) and M. Zelen. In manuscript.

STATISTICAL SERVICES FOR COMMITTEE ON SHIP STEEL, NRC Task 1103-40-5105/52-1

Origin and Sponsor: Ship Structure Committee, NRC

Authorized 12/1/51

Manager: W. J. Youden

Full task description: Oct-Dec 1951 issue, p. 58

Status: CONTINUED. A multiple regression study of the effect of chemical composition on ship steel is nearly completed.

**RESEARCH IN APPLICATIONS OF MATHEMATICAL STATISTICS TO
PROBLEMS OF THE CHEMICAL CORPS
Task 1103-40-5118/52-1**

Origin and Sponsor: Biological Laboratories, Authorized 10/1/51
Chemical Corps, Dept. of the Army

Manager: C. Eisenhart

Full task description: Oct-Dec 1951 issue, p. 57

Status: CONTINUED. A report giving fractional replicated designs of the 2^n series for $n = 13, 14, 15, 16$ factors was submitted.

The SEAC code for evaluating the power function of combining two independent tests of significance has been written and code checked. The computation of the power points is now underway.

**STATISTICAL ANALYSIS AND DESIGN OF EXPERIMENTS
FOR THE U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
Task 1103-40-5140/54-1**

Origin and Sponsor: U. S. Geological Survey, Authorized 10/9/53
Department of Interior

Managers: C. Eisenhart, W. J. Youden

Full task description: Oct-Dec 1953 issue, p. 50

Status: CONTINUED. Some additional work was done on the use of extreme value techniques in the sampling and analysis of data on pebble deposits. Correspondence was carried on with Helen Cannon of Colorado Plateau District on the problem of the association between the incidence of certain plants and uranium deposits.

**MANUAL ON EXPERIMENTAL STATISTICS
FOR ORDNANCE ENGINEERS
Task 1103-40-5146/55-93**

Origin and Sponsor: Office of Ordnance Research Authorized 12/29/54

Manager: C. Eisenhart

Full task description: Oct-Dec 1954 issue, p. 28

Status: CONTINUED. Further progress has been made in the writing of the manual. An important section, "Statistical Tests Concerning Averages," was written and revised, and copies were forwarded to the Office of Ordnance Research. Other sections are in various stages of development.

APPLICATION
of
NATIONAL BUREAU OF STANDARDS AUTOMATIC COMPUTER (SEAC)

The record of SEAC operations for tasks of the Applied Mathematics Division for the period October 1 through December 31 is as follows:

<u>Task No.</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Hours Used:</u>	
		<u>Code Checking</u>	<u>Productive Operation</u>
NBS:			
1104/55-55	Research in numerical analysis	22	1
5116/55-56	Research in mathematical topics applicable to numerical analysis		1
5116/56-148	Nerve fiber reaction	4	13
1110/47-2	Tables of Coulomb wave functions	30	16
1110/52-31	Exponential function for negative argument		1
1110/52-57	Sieverts integral	1	
1110/53-51	Radiation diffusion III	13	56
1110/53-52	L-Shell conversion coefficients	1	62
1110/55-65	Automatic coding	7	10
5126/51-8	Tables of power points of analysis of variance tests		9
5126/52-44	Calculations for d-spacings	1	8
5126/53-27	Thermodynamics functions		1
5126/53-29	Dynamic behavior of aircraft structure	2	12
0009/54-17	Depolymerization	2	22
0009/54-19	Energy levels of complex atoms		2
5126/54-30	Spectrometer analysis	8	17
0009/55-53	Electronic functions		2
0009/55-75	Parameter of the dispersion equation for optical glass		1
5126/55-81	Combining tests for significance	3	25
5126/55-88	Stresses in a wall foundation	4	7
5126/55-96	Monte Carlo		7
5126/55-97	High temperature properties of air	7	103
5126/55-105	Aeronomic tidal winds of thermal origin	3	1
5126/55-115	Adsorption integrals		1
5126/55-118	Thermometer calibrations	1	
5126/56-121	Electron penetration	3	
5126/55-123	Temperature distribution	2	
5126/56-129	Processing of Public Housing data		1
0009/56-131	Ray tracing	18	22
5126/56-134	Transmission delay times		1
5126/56-139	Study of internuclear potential for H ₃	6	1
5126/56-141	Spectrometer calibration	3	14
5126/56-145	Gamma-ray spectroscopy	1	21
5126/56-146	Sporadic E-Theory by turbulence	8	2
5126/56-147	Ground-wave attenuation	12	33
5126/56-150	Mathematical expression	2	3
5126/56-153	Vibrational eigenvalues	6	4
5126/56-160	Matrix factoring	9	2
0009/56-164	Transient heat flow problem		13

<u>Task No.</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Hours Used:</u>	
		<u>Code</u> <u>Checking</u>	<u>Productive</u> <u>Operation</u>
<u>NBS:</u>			
5126/56-167	Multiple regression		1
Miscellaneous	Training	3	
0002/52-1	Statistical aspects of NBS administrative operations	6	47
5160/55-85	Research in mathematical elasticity	1	24
<u>Other:</u>			
5126/53-45	Application of game theory	2	
5126/54-13	Award of procurement contracts for linear programming	2	15
5126/55-104	"Fuse" problem	7	11
5126/55-113	Reactor design	24	4
5126/55-119	Field rocket problem	13	5
5126/55-122	Solution of normal equation		2
5126/55-127	Vibrations of a circular disc		3
5126/56-130	Aircraft responses	2	11
5126/56-133	Complex eigenvalues	1	11
5126/56-136	Calculation of wave functions	3	33
5126/56-137	Stability of supported plates	3	34
5126/56-138	Crystal counter efficiency		9
5126/56-140	Multiple correlation routines	10	
5126/56-151	Multiple scattering in cross section measurements	1	19
5126/56-163	Angular distributions and polarization effects in nuclear scattering		3
Miscellaneous		1	23
Totals:		258	740

Lectures and Symposia

Note: In general, copies of papers or talks listed in this section are not available from the National Bureau of Standards. If and when a paper is to be published, it will be listed in the section of this report on Publication Activities.

Seminar: Special Topics in Numerical Analysis

(Offered by the Department of Mathematics of The American University in collaboration with the Graduate School of the National Bureau of Standards)

- KATO, T. (University of Tokyo) (1) Perturbation theory of eigenvalues: 1. Operators in Banach space. October 17. 2. Finite Matrices. October 24. (2) On helium wave functions. October 31. (3) On eigenvalues of free plates. November 7.
- TODD, J. Approximation theory: 1. The theorems of Weierstrass, Bernstein and Chebyshev. November 15. 2. Theorems of Bernstein, Voronowskaja, Chebyshev and Markoff. December 6.
- DAVIS, P. Extremal problems and criteria for closure: Three lectures, November 22, December 13, December 20.

Papers and Invited Talks Presented by Members of the Staff at Meetings of Outside Organizations

Papers presented at the Office of Ordnance Research Conference on the Design and Experiments in Army Research, Development, and Testing held at the National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C., October 19-21.

- CAMERON, J. M. Some examples of the use of high speed computers in statistics.
- EISENHART, C. The principle of randomization in the design of experiments.
- YOUTEN, W. J. Design of experiments in industrial research and development.

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Papers presented at the Joint Meeting of the American Statistical Association and the Institute of Mathematical Statistics, New York, N.Y., December 27-30:

- BURTON, R. C. Some combinatorial relationships arising in the dualization of incomplete block designs.
- LIEBLEIN, J. Recent developments in the application of extreme value theory.
- MILLER, F. L., Jr. The construction of fractional factorial designs for the 2^n series.
- NATRELLA, M. G. Unpublished tables prepared in the Statistical Engineering Laboratory, National Bureau of Standards.

PETTIGREW, H. The use of the 2^n fractional factorial designs for factors at 4 levels.

ROSENBLATT, J. R. On the efficiency of certain classes of tests based on U-statistics.

YOU DEN, W. J. (1) Special training arranged by Local Sections of the American Chemical Society. (2) Who makes designs?

ZELEN, M. On the analysis of incomplete block designs.

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ALT, F. L. Development of automatic computers. Presented at the Institute on Electronics in Management held by the Department of Government and Public Administration of The American University, Washington, D. C., November 14.

ANTOSIEWICZ, H.A. Stability theory of nonlinear differential equations. Presented at the Department of Mathematics, Princeton University, N. J., December 9.

DAVIS, P. Orthonormalizing codes and their uses. Presented at the Moore School of Engineering, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa., November 10.

EISENHART, C. Random notes. Presented before the Washington Chapter, American Statistical Society, Washington, D. C., November 28.

HOFFMAN, A. J. Mathematical approach to production scheduling. Presented before the American Institute of Industrial Engineers, Washington, D. C., October 11.

KATO, T. (University of Tokyo) and O. TAUSSKY-TODD. Normal matrices. Presented by title at the meeting of the American Mathematical Society, Houston, Texas, December 30.

NEWMAN, M. The coefficients of modular form. Presented at the meeting of the American Mathematical Society, University of Maryland, College Park, Md., October 29.

TODD, J. The problem of stability in the numerical solution of ordinary and partial differential equations. Presented at a Seminar of the Moore School of Engineering, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa., December 14.

YOU DEN, W. J. Making good measurements. (1) Presented before the RESA Society, Camp Detrick, Frederick, Maryland, November 17, and (2) before the St. Louis Section of the American Chemical Society, St. Louis, Missouri, December 5.

Programming measurements in experimentation. Presented before the Washington Chapter, Institute of Radio Engineers, Washington, D. C., November 21.

Marbles, measurements, and mathematics. Presented at Northwestern High School, Hyattsville, Maryland, December 14.

ZELEN, M. Exact tests of significance for the recovery of inter-block information. Presented at the Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., October 14.

Publication Activities

1. PUBLICATIONS THAT APPEARED DURING THE QUARTER

1.1 Mathematical Tables

- (1) Table of hyperbolic sines and cosines, $x=2$ to $x=10$, 9S. Applied Mathematics Series 45. Available from U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C., 55 cents.
- (2) Table of the descending exponential, $x=2.5$ to $x=10$. Applied Mathematics Series 46. Available from U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C., 50 cents.

1.3 Technical Papers

- (1) A theorem on alternatives for pairs of matrices. H. Antosiewicz. Pac. J. Math. 5, Suppl. 1, 641-642 (1955).
- (2) Computation of vibration modes and frequencies on SEAC. W. F. Cahill and S. Levy (NBS 6.4). J. Aeronautical Sciences 22, 837-843 (Dec. 1955).
- (3) Automatic computation of nerve excitation. K. Cole (National Institutes of Health), H. Antosiewicz, and P. Rabinowitz. J. Soc. Ind. Appl. Math. 3, 153-172 (1955).
- (4) On a problem in the theory of mechanical quadratures. P. Davis. Pac. J. Math. 5, Suppl. 1, 669-674 (1955).
- (5) Fully convex normed linear spaces. K. Fan and I. Glicksburg (RAND Corporation). Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci. 41, 947-953 (1955).
- (6) An algebraic proof of the isoperimetric inequality for polygons. K. Fan, O. Taussky and J. Todd. Washington Acad. Sci. 45, 334-342 (1955).
- (7) Addition theorems for general Legendre and Gegenbauer functions. P. Henrici. J. Rational Mech. Anal. 4, 983-1018 (1955).
- (8) On certain series expansions involving Whittaker functions and Jacobi polynomials. P. Henrici. Pac. J. Math. 5, Suppl. 1, 725-744 (1955).
- (9) An identity for the coefficients of certain modular forms. M. Newman. J. London Math. Soc. 30, 488-493 (1955).
- (10) Unimodular circulants. O. Taussky. Math. Zeitschr. 63, 286-289 (1955).
- (11) Computation of atomic levels: the spectrum of singly ionized tantalum. R. E. Trees (NBS Section 4.1), W. F. Cahill, and P. Rabinowitz. J. Res. NBS 55, 335-341 (Dec. 1955), RP2639.
- (12) On eigenvalues of sums of normal matrices. H. Wielandt. Pac. J. Math. 5, 633-638 (1955).

1.4 Notes

- (1) Kleine Bemerkung zur asymptotischen Entwicklung des Fehlerintegrals. P. Henrici. Zeitschr. angew. Math. Phys. 6, 145-146 (1955).

2. MANUSCRIPTS IN THE PROCESS OF PUBLICATION DECEMBER 31, 1955

2.1 Mathematical Tables

- (1) A table of the coefficients of the powers $\eta(\tau)$. M. Newman. To appear in the Proceedings of the Royal Netherlands Academy of Sciences.

2.3 Technical Papers

- (1) Analytic study of war games. H. Antosiewicz. To appear in the Naval Research Logistics Quarterly.
- (2) On the differential equation $\ddot{x} + k(f(x) + g(x)\dot{x})\dot{x} = ke(t)$. H. A. Antosiewicz. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (3) Stable systems of differential equations with integrable forcing term. H. A. Antosiewicz. To appear in the Journal of the London Mathematical Society.
- (4) Easily used simultaneous confidence limits for a line. W. S. Connor. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (5) Time-discrete stochastic processes in arbitrary sets, with applications to processes with absorbing regions and to the problem of loops in Markoff chains. D. van Dantzig. To appear (in French) in Annales de l'Institut Henri Poincaré (Paris).
- (6) On the theorem of Dilworth. G. B. Dantzig (RAND) and A. J. Hoffman. To appear in "Papers on linear inequalities and related systems," Annals of Mathematics Study 38.
- (7) Uniqueness theory for asymptotic expansions in general regions. P. Davis. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (8) Abscissas and weights for Gaussian quadratures of high order. P. Davis and P. Rabinowitz. To appear in the Journal of Research (NBS).
- (9) Numerical experiments in potential theory using orthonormal functions. P. Davis and P. Rabinowitz. To appear in the Journal of the Washington Academy of Sciences.
- (10) Some Monte Carlo experiments in computing multiple integrals. P. Davis and P. Rabinowitz. To appear in Mathematical Tables and Other Aids to Computation.
- (11) Comparison of theories and experiments for the hydraulic dam-break wave. R. F. Dressler. To appear in the Proceedings of the Tenth General Assembly of the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics, held in Rome, Italy, September 1954.
- (12) Properties of corrugated diaphragms. R. F. Dressler. To appear in the Transactions of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

- (13) Heat flow in a fluid with eddying flow. W. H. Durfee (now at Mt. Holyoke College). Submitted to a technical journal.
- (14) A comparison theorem for eigenvalues of normal matrices. K. Fan. To appear in Pacific Journal of Mathematics.
- (15) On systems of linear inequalities. K. Fan. To appear in "Papers on linear inequalities and related systems," Annals of Mathematics Study 38, ed. by H. W. Kuhn and A. W. Tucker.
- (16) Systems of inequalities involving convex functions. Ky Fan. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (17) A comparison between the mean successive difference and the root mean square successive difference. S. Geisser. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (18) A note on the normal distribution. S. Geisser. To appear in Annals of Mathematical Statistics.
- (19) A matrix with real characteristic roots. K. Goldberg. To appear in the Journal of Research (NBS).
- (20) The formal power series for $\log e^x e^y$. K. Goldberg. To appear in the Duke Journal of Mathematics.
- (21) A subroutine for computations with rational numbers. P. Henrici. To appear in the Journal of the Association for Computing Machinery.
- (22) Automatic computations with power series. P. Henrici. To appear in the Journal of the Association for Computing Machinery.
- (23) On generating functions of the Jacobi polynomials. P. Henrici. To appear in Pacific Journal of Mathematics.
- (24) On the domain of regularity of generalized axially symmetric potentials. P. Henrici. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (25) On the representation of a certain integral involving Bessel functions by hypergeometric series. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (26) On systems of distinct representatives. A. J. Hoffman and H. W. Kuhn (Bryn Mawr College). To appear in "Papers on linear inequalities and related systems," Annals of Mathematics Study 38.
- (27) Systems of distinct representatives and linear programming. A. J. Hoffman and H. W. Kuhn (Bryn Mawr College). To appear in the American Mathematical Monthly.
- (28) The number of absolute points of a correlation. A. J. Hoffman, M. Newman, E. G. Straus, O. Taussky. To appear in the Pacific Journal of Mathematics.
- (29) Commutators of A and A^* . T. Kato and O. Taussky. To appear in the Journal of the Washington Academy of Sciences.
- (30) Applications of extreme value theory to cobbles and boulders in gravel pits. W. C. Krumbein (Northwestern University) and J. Lieblein. Submitted to a technical journal.

- (31) Solvability and consistency for linear equations and inequalities. H. W. Kuhn (Bryn Mawr College). To appear in the American Mathematical Monthly.
- (32) Pairs of matrices with property L, II. T. S. Motzkin and O. Taussky. To appear in the Transactions of the American Mathematical Society.
- (33) An alternative proof of a theorem on unimodular groups. M. Newman. To appear in the Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society.
- (34) An inclusion theorem for modular groups. M. Newman. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (35) Generalizations of identities for the coefficients of certain modular forms. M. Newman. To appear in the Journal of the London Mathematical Society.
- (36) On the existence of identities for the coefficients of certain modular forms. M. Newman. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (37) The diophantine equation $ax^m - by^n = c$. M. Newman. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (38) The normalizer of certain modular subgroups. M. Newman. To appear in Canadian Journal of Mathematics.
- (39) On a generalization of the normal basis in abelian algebraic number fields. M. Newman and O. Taussky. To appear in Communications on Pure and Applied Mathematics (New York University).
- (40) On asymptotic series for functions occurring in the theory of diffraction of waves by wedges. F. Oberhettinger. To appear in the Journal of Mathematics and Physics.
- (41) On the Lerch zeta function. F. Oberhettinger. To appear in the Pacific Journal of Mathematics.
- (42) Determinanten mit ueberwiegender Hauptdiagonale und die absolute Konvergenz von linearen Iterationsprozessen. A. M. Ostrowski. To appear in Comentarii Mathematici Helvetici.
- (43) On Gauss' speeding up device in the theory of single step iteration. A. M. Ostrowski. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (44) On the convergence of Gauss' alternating procedure in the method of the least squares, I. A. M. Ostrowski. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (45) Contributions for inverse osculatory interpolation. H. E. Salzer. (Department of the Army). To appear in the Journal of Research of the NBS.
- (46) Contributions to the theory of rank order statistics. I. R. Savage. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (47) Inequalities for probabilities associated with the multivariate normal distribution. I. R. Savage. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (48) Simultaneous tests of randomness and other hypotheses. I. R. Savage. Submitted to a technical journal.

- (49) Algebraic equations satisfied by roots of natural numbers. E. G. Straus (University of California at Los Angeles) and O. Taussky. To appear in the Pacific Journal of Mathematics.
- (50) A note on group matrices. O. Taussky. To appear in the Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society.
- (51) Some computational problems in algebraic number theory. O. Taussky. To appear in the Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society Sixth Symposium on Applied Mathematics, held at Santa Monica City College, August 1953.
- (52) Generation and testing of pseudo-random numbers. O. Taussky and J. Todd. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (53) Machine attacks on problems whose variables are permutations. C. B. Tompkins. To appear in the Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society Sixth Symposium on Numerical Analysis, held in Santa Monica, Calif., August 1953.
- (54) An extension of a theorem of Dantzig's. C. Tompkins and I. Heller (George Washington University). To appear in "Papers on linear inequalities and related systems," Annals of Mathematics Study 38.
- (55) Best approximation polynomials of given degree. J. Walsh. To appear in the Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society Sixth Symposium on Applied Mathematics, held in Santa Monica, Calif., August 1953.
- (56) On the asymptotic transformation of certain distributions into the normal distribution. W. Wasow. To appear in the Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society Sixth Symposium Applied Mathematics, held at Santa Monica, Calif., August 1953.
- (57) Error bounds for eigenvalues of symmetric integral equations. H. Wielandt. To appear in the Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society Sixth Symposium on Applied Mathematics, held at Santa Monica, Calif., August 1953.
- (58) National physical standards and design of experiment. W. J. Youden. To appear in Revue de L'Institut International de Statistique (The Hague).
- (59) Partially replicated latin squares. W. J. Youden and J. S. Hunter (American Cyanimid Co.). To appear in Biometrics.
- (60) Exact tests of significance for combining intra- and inter-block information. M. Zelen. Submitted to a technical journal.
- (61) On the analysis of covariance. M. Zelen. Submitted to a technical journal.

2.5 Miscellaneous

- (1) More scientists. W. J. Youden. Submitted to a technical journal.

THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF STANDARDS

Functions and Activities

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