

266. Hermann Weyl: *On Hodge's theory of harmonic integrals.*

Hodge's fundamental existence theorem for harmonic integrals on Riemannian manifolds of any dimensionality is proved by the parametrix method. (The proof incorporated in Hodge's recent book on *Harmonic Integrals*, Cambridge, 1941, is wrong.) (Received July 1, 1942.)

267. Hassler Whitney: *Differentiability of the remainder term in Taylor's formula.*

If $f(x)$ is of class C^m , and $1 \leq n \leq m$, then $f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} f^{(i)}(0)x^i/i! + x^n f_n(x)/n!$. It is shown that $f_n(x)$ is of class C^{m-n} , but not necessarily of higher class, and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^k f^{(m-n+k)}(x) = 0$ ($k=1, \dots, n$). A converse is true. A similar theorem holds in more dimensions. (Received July 28, 1942.)

268. Hassler Whitney: *Note on differentiable even functions.*

It is shown that an even function $f(x)$ of class C^{2s} (or class C^∞ , or analytic) may be written as $g(x^2)$, with g of class C^s (or class C^∞ , or analytic). (Received July 28, 1942.)

269. Hassler Whitney: *The general type of singularity of a set of $2n-1$ smooth functions of n variables.*

Let f be a mapping of class C^1 of an n -manifold M^n into an M^{2n-1} . Then arbitrarily near f is a mapping f' , regular except at isolated singular points; at each of these, a certain condition (C) holds. (C) involves first and second derivatives, but is independent of the coordinate system employed. If (C) holds at p , and the mapping is of class C^{4r+8} (or class C^∞ , or analytic), then coordinate systems about p and $f(p)$, of class C^r (or class C^∞ , or analytic), exist such that the mapping is exactly $y_1 = x_1^2, y_i = x_i, y_{n+i-1} = x_i x_i$ ($i=2, \dots, n$). (Received July 28, 1942.)

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270. Stefan Bergman: *Operators in the theory of differential equations and their application. I.*

By introducing $u = x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta$, $v = -x \sin \theta + y \cos \theta$ and $\xi = (\sigma/2k) + \theta$, $\eta = (\sigma/2k) - \theta$, where $\sigma_x = \sigma + k \sin 2\theta$, $\sigma_y = \sigma - k \sin 2\theta$, $\tau_{xy} = -k \cos 2\theta$ the equations of the theory of plasticity can be written in the form $(\partial^2 u / \partial \xi \partial \eta) - u/4 = 0$, $(\partial^2 v / \partial \xi \partial \eta) - v/4 = 0$ (see Geiringer and Prager, *Ergebnisse der exakten Naturwissenschaften*, vol. 13, p. 350). Here $\sigma_x, \sigma_y, \tau_{xy}$ are stresses, x, y , cartesian coordinates. Particular solutions of these equations can be written in the form $u(\xi, \eta) = \int_{-1}^1 \exp(t(\xi\eta)^{1/2}) \{ f[\xi(1-t^2)/2] + g[n(1-t^2)/2] \} (1-t^2)^{1/2} dt$ where f and g are arbitrary twice continuously differentiable functions of one variable. (See *Duke Mathematical Journal*, vol. 6 (1940), pp. 538 and 557.) This class of functions possesses a base $\{u_\nu(\xi, \eta)\}$ such that each u_ν satisfies two (simple) ordinary linear differential equations of second order with rational coefficients. Entire solutions u_ν of the above partial differential equation are such that every u defined in a convex domain can be approximated by sums of the form $\sum_{\nu=1}^n a_\nu u_\nu$. The author indicates an approximation procedure of a function u given by its boundary values. These functions u possess singularities which can be characterized in a way analogous to that in *Comptes Rendus de l'Académie des Sciences*, vol. 205 (1937), pp. 1360-1362. (Received June 3, 1942.)