

57. P. M. Whitman: *Lattices and equivalence relations*. Preliminary report.

It is shown that any lattice is isomorphic to a sublattice of the lattice of all equivalence relations on some set. (Received January 28, 1944.)

#### ANALYSIS

58. Jesse Douglas: *Separable transformations with separable inverse*.

All transformations  $X=f(x)+h(y)$ ,  $Y=g(x)+k(y)$  are found whose inverses are of the same form. Six essentially different types are obtained. If  $x, y$  are interpreted as minimal coordinates  $u+iv, u-iv$  (and  $X, Y$  similarly), we have all harmonic transformations whose inverses are harmonic. The paper will be published in full. (Received January 15, 1944.)

59. K. O. Friedrichs: *The identity of weak and strong extensions of differential operators*.

In applying the theory of linear operators in Hilbert spaces or spaces  $L_p$  to the solution of differential equation problems, it is impossible to retain the meaning of differentiation in the ordinary sense; the concept of differential operator must be extended. Two such extensions offer themselves, a "weak" and a "strong" one, that is, the adjoint of the "formal-adjoint" and essentially the closure. The purpose of the paper is to prove the identity of these two extensions for general linear differential operators. The main tool for the proof is a certain class of smoothening operators approximating unity. They yield the identity of both extensions immediately for differential operators with constant coefficients; they are a strong enough tool to yield this identity likewise for operators with non-constant coefficients. (Received December 3, 1943.)

60. B. M. Ingersoll: *On singularities of solutions of linear partial differential equations*.

Let  $U(z, \bar{z})$ ,  $z=x+iy, \bar{z}=x-iy$ ,  $x, y$  real, be a real solution of  $L(U) \equiv \Delta U + AU_x + BU_y + CU = 0$ , where  $A, B$ , and  $C$  are entire functions when  $x$  and  $y$  are extended to complex values. To every such solution corresponds uniquely a complex solution  $u(z, \bar{z}) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_{mn} z^m \bar{z}^n$  of  $L(U) = 0$ , with the property that  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_{0n} \bar{z}^n = \pi U(0, 0) \exp(-\int_0^z a(0, \bar{z}) d\bar{z})$ , where  $a(z, \bar{z}) \equiv (1/4) \{ A [ ((z+\bar{z})/2, (z-\bar{z})/2i) ] + iB [ ((z+\bar{z})/2, (z-\bar{z})/2i) ] \}$ . These solutions were introduced by Bergman (Rec. Math. (Mat. Sbornik) N. S. vol. 2 pp. 1169-1198 and Trans. Amer. Math. Soc. vol. 53 pp. 130-155) who showed that the location of the singularities of  $u(z, \bar{z})$  is determined by the sequence  $\{A_{m0}\}$ . Employing this result the author investigates the relations between sequences  $\{A_{mk}\}$ ,  $k$  fixed,  $m=0, 1, 2, \dots$ , and the positions of singularities of  $u(z, \bar{z})$ . For example, using a result of Mandelbrojt (C. R. Acad. Sci. Paris, 1937, pp. 1456-1458) he determines the arguments of the singularities on the circle of convergence of  $u(z, \bar{z})$  in terms of the sequence  $\{A_{mk}\}$ ,  $k$  fixed. In the last section of the paper, using explicitly an integral representation of the complex solutions  $u(z, \bar{z})$ , the author investigates the real solutions  $U(z, \bar{z}) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} D_{mn} z^m \bar{z}^n$  of  $L(U) = 0$ . He constructs, in terms of  $\{D_{mk}\}$ ,  $k$  fixed,  $m=0, 1, 2, \dots$ , and some of the deriva-