

linear equations in  $n$  unknowns by successive approximations? The discussion given in WHITTAKER and ROBINSON, *The Calculus of Observations* (London, 1924, and third ed., 1940, p. 255–256), is not satisfactory. The part purporting to show that the process always improves a trial solution suffers the following simple exception:

$$2x + y = 1, \quad x + 3y = -1.$$

Here the initial solution  $x = 1/2, y = -1/3$  is not improved by replacing  $x$  by  $2/3$  as required by the process.

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### QUERIES—REPLIES

8. TABLES OF  $N^{3/2}$  (Q5, p. 131).—Another table for three-halves powers of numbers to more than three places is T. 70, p. 290 of J. T. FANNING, *A Practical Treatise on Hydraulic and Water-Supply Emergency*, tenth ed., New York, 1892, where  $N = [0.04(0.01)0.20(0.02)1.0(0.1)4; 4D]$ .

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### CORRIGENDA

- P. 2, l. 31, for Reply to Query 6, read Reply-to-Query 6. P. 6, l. 6, for v. 4, read v. 14. P. 9, 76 for CHAPMAN, read CHAPIN. P. 14, l. 5 from bottom, for 0.001, read 0.0001. P. 15, l. 6, add Also, p. 224–224c,  $\sin x$ ,  $\cos x$  to 10D,  $\log \sin x$ ,  $\log \cos x$  to 5D,  $x = 0(.1)10, 0(1)100$ . P. 15–16, omit references to HAYASHI tables of  $\sin \frac{1}{2}x\pi$ ,  $\cos \frac{1}{2}x\pi$ , l. 13–14 from bottom of p. 15; also to tables of KOLKMEIJER and BUERGER, top of p. 16. P. 16, l. 8 from bottom, for Spoon, read Spon. P. 18, l. 1 and 2 from bottom, for 6D, read 6D-7D. P. 19, l. 3 from bottom, for  $x, \dots 3D]$ , read  $x = [0.00(0.01)1.0(0.1)10(1)-100(10)1000; 3D]$ . P. 20, footnote, l. 6, after "109." insert With the aid of the entries presented the logarithms of all numbers  $N = 1(1)109$  are readily found. P. 47, 90, l. 3, for State, read City. P. 69, 2, l. 3, for Houghton, read Haughton; 3, l. 1, for 12S, read 10S–12S; 5 and 6, for with differences, read with first differences.
- P. 70, 8, l. 2, for 10D, read 9D–10D; l. 4, for  $0(1/2)(13/2)$ , read  $0(\frac{1}{2})6\frac{1}{2}$ ; l. 5, for  $\frac{1}{2}x\pi$  read  $\frac{1}{2}\pi$ , [this was a mistake in the Report]; 10, l. 3, for by degrees, read at three-degree intervals; 12, l. 3, for  $80^\circ 1$ , read  $80^\circ.1$ . P. 73, 44, l. 2, Ei in roman, not ital.; 49, l. 4, for  $0.0(0.1)10.0$  read  $0.0(0.1)7(1)10$ . P. 74, 52, l. 20, for  $J_k^0$  and  $J_k^1$ , read  $I_k^0$  and  $I_k^1$ ; 56, l. 4, for 120, read 12.0. P. 96, in UMT 9, totals, make the following changes: 390 for 391; Poulet 65 (for 68); Escott 233 (for 235); and add Poulet and Gérardin 4 (1929). P. 109, l. 17–18, for  $J_1(17)$ , read  $J_1(x_{17})$ ; l. 20–22, for these lines read, the roots of  $J_1(x)N_1(kx) - J_1(kx)N_1(x) = 0$  on p. 204 of nos. 3–5, p. 274 of no. 2, and p. 162 of no. 1, the first three roots for the value  $k = 2$  should be 3.1917, 6.3116, and 9.4446 according to values given in MUSKAT, . . . P. 108, l. 17, for Debye, read Debye.
- P. 125, l. 20–23, for numbers, read figures. P. 138, 26, l. 4, for  $J_{+\frac{1}{2}}(x)$ , read  $J_{\pm\frac{1}{2}}(x)$ ; for uncertain fourth, read approximate fifth; l. 5, for  $J_{+\frac{1}{2}}(x)$ , read  $J_{\pm\frac{1}{2}}(x)$ ; l. 5–6, for uncertainties, read approximate fifths; l. 7, for  $\frac{1}{2}(n+1)$ , read  $\frac{1}{2}/(n+1)$ . P. 140, no. 38, for  $\partial x$ , and  $\partial x^2$ , read  $\partial v$  and  $\partial v^2$ . P. 143, l. 4 from bottom, for einen, read einem. P. 145, for line 8, read: place tables for A with  $D = 0.0000(0.0001)2.000(0.001)4.00(0.01)6.94$ ; and for S with  $D = 0.3000(0.0001)2.000(0.001)4.00(0.01)6.94$ . P. 157, l. 16–17, for  $B_n^{(n)}(0)$  and  $B_n^{(n)}(1)$ , read  $B_n^{(n)}(0)/n!$  and  $B_n^{(n)}(1)/n!$ . P. 161, l. 11, delete "P. 54, F(35°, 30°), for 0.6220, read 6200." P. 161, l. 13, for 1035, read 1037. P. 164, l. 11 from bottom, eliminate the second "10;". P. 168, l. 26, for Küster, read Küstner. P. 169, l. 27, read Physical; l. 6 from bottom, for *kkadratov*, read *kvadratov*; l. 4 from bottom, read *Izdatyel'stvo*.