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1. MATHEMATICS, CODING AND APPLICATIONS

1.1 Introduction

During the past two weeks 506 coded programs were run on the time allocated to the Scientific and Engineering (S&EC) Group. These programs represent part of the work that has been done on 61 of the problems that have been accepted by the S&EC Group.

1.2 Programs and Computer Operation

| Problem No. | Title  | Minutes |
|-------------|--|---------|
| 100         | Comprehensive System of Service Routines               | 140.5   |
| 106 C.      | MIT Seismic Project                                    | 32.3    |
| 122 N.      | Coulomb Wave Functions                                 | 34.6    |
| 126 D.      | Data Reduction   | 130.1   |
| 131         | Special Problems (Staff Training, Demonstrations, etc) | 17.6    |
| 141         | S&EC Subroutine Study                                  | 4.0     |
| 172 B,N.    | Energy Bands in Graphite                               | 116.4   |
| 179 C.      | Transient Temperature of a Box-Type Beam               | 93.3    |
| 193 L.      | E.V. Problem for Propagation of Electromagnetic Waves  | 64.1    |
| 194 B,N.    | Augmented Plane Wave Method (Sodium)                   | 47.4    |
| 199 N.      | Compressible Flow in a Tube                            | 5.6     |
| 203 D,N.    | Response of A Building under Dynamic Loading           | 15.5    |
| 204 N.      | Exchange Integrals Between Real Slater Orbitals        | 10.6    |
| 216 C.      | Ultrasonic Delay Lines                                 | 37.5    |
| 219         | Linear Programming                                     | 29.0    |
| 231 B,N.    | Reactor Runaway Prevention                             | 25.9    |
| 241 B,N.    | Transients in Distillation Columns                     | 11.5    |
| 244 C.      | Data Reduction for X-1 Fire Control                    | 10.9    |
| 245 N.      | Theory of Neutron Reactions                            | 204.3   |
| 246 B,N.    | Scattering From Oxygen                                 | 188.4   |
| 253 N.      | APW as Applied to Face- and Body-Centered Iron         | 7.3     |

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| 256 C.   | WWI-ERA 1103 Translation Program              | 72.1   |
| 257 C.   | Horizontal Stabilizer Analysis                | 119.4  |
| 260 N.   | Energy Levels of Diatomic Hydrides            | 144.4  |
| 261 C.   | Fourier Synthesis for Crystal Structures      | 15.8   |
| 262 N.   | Evaluation of Two-center Molecular Integrals  | 19.9   |
| 264 C.   | Optimization of Alternator Control System     | 12.3   |
| 266 A.   | Calculations for the MIT Reactor              | 20.2   |
| 270 B.   | Critical Mass Calculations                    | 82.4   |
| 272 L.   | General Raydist Solution                      | 4.3    |
| 273 N.   | Cosmic Ray Air Shower                         | 16.8   |
| 278 N.   | Energy Levels of Diatomic Hydrides LiH        | 8.0    |
| 288 N.   | Atomic Wave Functions                         | 111.0  |
| 290 N.   | Polarizability Effects in Atoms and Molecules | 176.0  |
| 293 C    | Rolling Bearings                              | 28.7   |
| 297 B.   | Diffusion Boundary Layer                      | 38.7   |
| 300 L.   | Tropospheric Propagation                      | 64.1   |
| 306 D.   | Spectral Analysis of Atmospheric Data         | 64.2   |
| 309 B,N. | Pure and Impure Potassium Chloride Crystal    | 77.9   |
| 312 L.   | Error Analysis                                | 35.6   |
| 318 C.   | 3D Aerodynamic Lead Pursuit Study             | 3.7    |
| 319 B,N. | Scattering from a Spheroidal Potential        | 50.2   |
| 326 C.   | Production for Transportation Study           | 27.8   |
| 327 L.   | Prediction Analysis                           | 136.4  |
| 328 B.   | Buried Elastic Wave Source                    | 3.8    |
| 329 N.   | First Approximation Solution on Ore Body      | 36.6   |
| 330 C.   | Postfailure Response in Aircraft Structures   | 61.6   |
| 336 C.   | Pattern Identification                        | 9.2    |
| 337 N.   | Nonlinear 2nd Order Diff. Eqs.                | 72.2   |
| 338 C.   | Optimization of Ram-Air Cooling Systems       | 1.8    |
| 343 C.   | Weather Prediction                            | 231.8  |
| 345 B.   | Matrix Multiplication                         | 22.4   |
| 346 B.   | Complex Spectrum Analysis                     | 6.5    |
| 348 A.   | Wave Propagation                              | 109.2  |
| 350 D.   | Computation of Variances and Covariances      | 63.4   |
| 351 B.   | Non-Uniform Fuel Distribution                 | 50.2   |
| 352 B.   | Propeller Shafting Lateral Vibrations         | 9.3    |

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| 354 D. | Response of a Singel Story Concrete Building | 13.7 |
| 356 B. | Partially Continuous Wooden Beams            | 5.9  |
| 357 B. | Propagation of Roundoff Error                | 12.9 |
| 362 B. | Fourier Synthesis for Crystal Structure      | 7.1  |

### 1.3 Computer Time Statistics

The following indicates the distribution of WWI time allocated to the S&EC Group.

|   |                              |
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| Programs                                      | 54 hours, 16.7 minutes       |
| Magnetic Drum Test                            | 0 minutes                    |
| Magnetic Tape Test                            | 49.8 minutes                 |
| Scope Calibration                             | 10.1 minutes                 |
| PETR Test                                     | 29.1 minutes                 |
| Test Storage Check                            | 6.4 minutes                  |
| Demonstrations (#131)                         | 17.6 minutes                 |
| Total Time Logged                             | <u>56 hours, 9.7 minutes</u> |
| Div. 6 Conversion, Inter-run Operations, etc. | 15 hours, 4.4 minutes        |
| Total Time Assigned                           | 73 hours, 53.1 minutes       |
| Usable Time, Percentage                       | 96.41%                       |
| Number of Programs                            | 506                          |