

## P R O B L È M E S

**P 233, R 1.** Professors Roy Olsen and Ernest Michael have sent us a letter which reads:

“The following is a negative solution to Problem 233.

J. Dieudonné asked:

If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous, onto, and closed, if  $X$  is Hausdorff,  $Y$  paracompact and first-countable, and if each  $f^{-1}(y)$  is normal and countably compact, must  $X$  be normal?

The answer is no, even if  $Y$  is compact metric and  $X$  sequentially compact and locally compact.

M. E. Rudin constructed <sup>(1)</sup> a sequentially compact, locally compact Hausdorff space  $X$  which is not normal, and which has a closed subset  $A$  such that  $A$  is normal and  $X - A$  is countable and discrete. Let  $Y = X/A$  (the space obtained from  $X$  by identifying  $A$  to a point), and let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be the quotient map. Clearly,  $f$  is closed. Moreover,  $Y$  is countable, countably compact, and Hausdorff, so  $Y$  is compact metrizable. (In fact,  $Y$  is just a convergent sequence.)

In the above example,  $X$  is completely regular. A different example can be constructed to show that Dieudonné's conditions do not even imply that  $X$  is regular.

The above examples stand in contrast to the following well-known result:

If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is perfect (i. e.,  $f$  is continuous and closed, and every  $f^{-1}(y)$  is compact), if  $X$  is Hausdorff, and if  $Y$  is paracompact, then  $X$  is paracompact.”

VI, p. 331.

Letter of December 2, 1971.

<sup>(1)</sup> M. E. Rudin, *A technique for constructing examples*, Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society 16 (1965), p. 1320-1323; Example 1 and remark in the middle of p. 1323.

**P 671, R 1.** The answer is negative<sup>(2)</sup>.

XX. 2, p. 228.

<sup>(2)</sup> K. E. Thomas, *Regarding a question about the least element map*, this fascicle, p. 39-40.

**P 704 et P 705, R 1.** The author of the problems has informed us that positive answers have been announced by J. Karnofsky <sup>(3)</sup>.

XXII. 1, p. 196.

(<sup>3</sup>) J. Karnofsky, *Varieties generated by finite simple semigroups*, Notices of the American Mathematical Society 17 (1970), p. 939.

**P 711, R 2.** Une autre solution a été donnée par D. E. Ramirez <sup>(4)</sup>.

XXII. 2, p. 337.

(<sup>4</sup>) D. E. Ramirez, *Remark on Fourier-Stieltjes transforms of continuous measures*, this fascicle, p. 81-82.

**P 729, R 2.** The announced answer has already appeared in print <sup>(5)</sup>.

XXIII. 1, p. 97 et 176.

(<sup>5</sup>) B. B. Epps, Jr., *Some curves of prescribed rim-types*, this fascicle, p. 69-71.

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**P 818.** Formulé dans la communication *On cardinalities of algebras of formulas for  $\omega_0$ -categorical theories*.

Ce fascicule, p. 11.

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**P 819 - P 821.** Formulés dans la communication *Residual sets not of maximum dimension*.

Ce fascicule, p. 37.

S. F. KAPOOR (KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN)

**P 822.** Formulé dans la communication *Expanding stars*.

Ce fascicule, p. 68.

J. E. VALENTINE AND S. G. WAYMENT (LOGAN, UTAH)

**P 823 et P 824.** Formulés dans la communication *Metric characterizations of Banach spaces*.

Ce fascicule, p. 89 et 94.

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**P 825.** Formulé dans la communication *Concerning two methods of defining the center of a dynamical system, II.*

Ce fascicule, p. 122.

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**P 826 et P 827.** Formulés dans la communication *A characterization of  $\alpha$ -convolution.*

Ce fascicule, p. 142.

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**P 828.** Let  $M$  be a differentiable, Riemannian, parallelizable manifold and let  $S(\alpha, x)$  be a complete integral of the Hamilton-Jacobi equation

$$(1) \quad |\text{grad}_x S(\alpha, x)|^2 + V(x) = \text{constant},$$

where  $V \in C^\infty(M)$ .

Under what conditions on  $R(\alpha)$ , the function

$$\psi(x) = \int R(\alpha) e^{iS(\alpha, x)} d\alpha$$

is also representable in the form

$$\psi(x) = \int R'(\beta) e^{iS'(\beta, x)} d\beta,$$

for any complete integral  $S'(\beta, x)$  of (1) ?

New Scottish Book, Probl. 865, 3. 12. 1971.

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