

State University organized a special session on Strict Topologies which included as participants Professors Steven F. Bellenot, R. A. Fontenot, William H. Graves, Denny Gulick, Dennis Sentilles, W. H. Summers, Donald C. Taylor, and Robert F. Wheeler. Professors Robert Gilmer and J. L. Mott of Florida State University organized a special session on Commutative Rings in which the participants were Professors D. D. Anderson, J. T. Arnold, Hyman Bass, Paul M. Eakin, Eloise Hamann, Stephen McAdam, T.-T. Moh, Judith D. Sally, Arvinash Sathaye, and David Wright. A third special session was organized by Professor Mary-Elizabeth Hamstrom of the University of Illinois. The topic of Professor Hamstrom's session was Geometric Topology and the participants included Professors Frederick D. Ancel, Joan S. Birman, Robert F. Craggs, Robert J. Daverman, Julian Eisner, Marvin Israel, R. C. Lacher, J. G. Hollingsworth, Martin Scharlemann, R. B. Sher, and DeWitt L. Summers. The fourth special session, on Finite Groups, was organized by Professor Leonard J. Scott, Jr. of the University of Virginia and the participants were Professors Mark Benard, Arnold D. Feldman, Pamela A. Ferguson, Mark P. Hall, Jr., Peter Hoefsmit, Wayne R. Jones, Brian Parshall, and H. N. Ward.

There were also three sessions for contributed papers. These were chaired by Professors Don Hill, Allan G. Anderson, and J. R. Quine.

Professor Wendell Motter was in charge of local arrangements.

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THE MARCH MEETING IN URBANA

The seven hundred thirty-third meeting of the American Mathematical Society was held at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign from Monday, March 15 through Saturday, March 20, 1976. There were 377 registrants, including 273 members of the Society.

The period March 15–18 was devoted to a Symposium on Probability, which was supported by the National Science Foundation under a grant to the American Mathematical Society. The topic of the Symposium was selected by the 1974 Committee to Select Speakers for Western Sectional Meetings, which consisted of Richard A. Askey, Paul T. Bateman (chairman), and Donald J. Lewis. The Organizing Committee of the Symposium, responsible for selecting the speakers and arranging the program, consisted of Kai Lai Chung, Joseph L. Doob (chairman), Richard M. Dudley, Ronald K. Getoor, Frank B. Knight, and Frank L. Spitzer. The speakers at the Symposium were Donald L. Burkholder, Hans Föllmer, Jean Jacod, Naresh C. Jain, Harry Kesten, Frank B. Knight, Oscar E. Lanford III, Bernard Maisonneuve, Paul-André Meyer, P. Warwick Millar, Steven Orey, Mark A. Pinsky, Gilles Pisier, William E. Pruitt, Daniel Revuz, Daniel W. Stroock, John B. Walsh, Shinzo Watanabe, and David Williams.

By invitation of the Committee to Select Hour Speakers for Western Sectional Meetings there were three one-hour addresses. Professor Paul Erdős of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences addressed the Society Friday morning