

# **John Von Neumann and Klára Dán Von Neumann Papers**

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## Collection Summary

**Title:** John Von Neumann and Klára Dán Von Neumann Papers

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**Creator:** Von Neumann, Klára Dán, 1911-1963

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**Summary:** John Von Neumann, mathematician, atomic energy commissioner, and educator; and Klára Dán Von Neumann, pioneer computer programmer. Correspondence, memoranda, journals, speeches, article and book drafts, notes, charts, graphs, patent, biographical material, family papers, and other material pertaining to John Von Neumann's career as professor of mathematics, scientific advisor to government and industry, and author, and to the scientific career and family of Klára Dán Von Neumann, his wife.

## Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

### People

Aldor, Eva, approximately 1913-

Aldor, Eva, approximately 1913- --Correspondence.

Aldor, Peter, 1904-1976.

Aydelotte, Frank, 1880-1956--Correspondence.

Bethe, Hans A. (Hans Albrecht), 1906-2005--Correspondence.

Birkhoff, Garrett, 1911-1996--Correspondence.

Chandrasekhar, S. (Subrahmanyan), 1910-1995--Correspondence.

Dantzig, George B. (George Bernard), 1914-2005--Correspondence.

Deg, Elizabeth, 1908-1997 or 1998--Correspondence.

Dirac, P. A. M. (Paul Adrien Maurice), 1902-1984--Correspondence.

Dán family.

Dán, Kamilla, 1888-1983--Correspondence.

Eckart, Carl, 1902-1973--Correspondence.

Einstein, Albert, 1879-1955--Correspondence.

Einstein, Albert, 1879-1955.

Fermi, Enrico, 1901-1954--Correspondence.

Flexner, Abraham, 1866-1959--Correspondence.

Gamow, George, 1904-1968--Correspondence.

Goldstine, Herman H. (Herman Heine), 1913-2004--Correspondence.

Goldstine, Herman H. (Herman Heine), 1913-2004.

Gödel, Kurt--Correspondence.

Halmos, Paul R. (Paul Richard), 1916-2006.

Heisenberg, Werner, 1901-1976--Correspondence.

Hove, L. van (Léon)--Correspondence.

Hurd, Cuthbert Corwin, 1911-1996--Correspondence.

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Kent, R. H. (Robert Harrington), 1886-1961--Correspondence.

Kistiakowsky, George B. (George Bogdan), 1900-1982--Correspondence.

Maxwell, Robert, 1923-1991--Correspondence.  
Morgenstern, Oskar, 1902-1977--Correspondence.  
Neumann, Michael J., 1907-1989--Correspondence.  
Oppenheimer, J. Robert, 1904-1967--Correspondence.  
Ortvay, Rudolf, 1885-1945--Correspondence.  
Pauli, Wolfgang, 1900-1958--Correspondence.  
Stone, Marshall H. (Marshall Harvey), 1903-1989--Correspondence.  
Strauss, Lewis L.--Correspondence.  
Taub, A. H., 1911-1999--Correspondence.  
Taub, A. H., 1911-1999.  
Teller, Edward, 1908-2003--Correspondence.  
Ulam, Françoise--Correspondence.  
Ulam, Stanislaw M.--Correspondence.  
Veblen, Oswald, 1880-1960--Correspondence.  
Von Neumann family.  
Von Neumann, John, 1903-1957.  
Von Neumann, Klára Dán, 1911-1963. Grasshopper in very tall grass : unpublished memoir.  
Von Neumann, Klára Dán, 1911-1963. John Von Neumann and Klára Dán Von Neumann papers. 1912-2000.  
Vonneuman, Nicholas A., 1911-2011--Correspondence.  
Weaver, Warren, 1894-1978--Correspondence.  
Weyl, Hermann, 1885-1955--Correspondence.  
Wiener, Norbert, 1894-1964--Correspondence.  
Wigner, Eugene Paul, 1902-1995--Correspondence.

### **Organizations**

Institute for Advanced Study (Princeton, N.J.)--Faculty.  
Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory.  
U.S. Army Ballistic Research Laboratory.  
U.S. Atomic Energy Commission.

### **Subjects**

Ballistics.  
Computer programming.  
Computers.  
Continuous geometries.  
Game theory.  
Logic, Symbolic and mathematical.  
Mathematics--Study and teaching.  
Nuclear energy--Government policy--United States.  
Nuclear energy.  
Operator theory.  
Physics.  
Quantum theory.

### **Titles**

*John Von Neumann papers*  
*Klára Dán Von Neumann papers*

### **Occupations**

Atomic energy commissioners.  
Computer programmers.  
Educators.  
Mathematicians.

## Acquisition Information

The papers of John Von Neumann and Klára Dán Von Neumann were given to the Library of Congress between 1974 and 2022 by his daughter, Marina Von Neumann Whitman. An addition was received in 1993 from brother Nicholas A. Vonneuman. Other gifts and a purchase were received between 1998 and 2005.

## Processing History

The papers of John Von Neumann and Klára Dán Von Neumann were arranged and described in 1992 by Bennett Heggestad and Patrick Kerwin. Addition I was processed and the finding aid revised in 2002 by Patrick Kerwin. Addition II was processed and the finding aid revised in 2014 by Joseph K. Brooks with the assistance of Jeffery Bryson and Chanté Wilson Flowers. Addition III was processed and the finding aid revised in 2023 by Katherine Madison.

## Transfers

Items have been transferred from the Manuscript Division to other custodial divisions of the Library. A video recording has been transferred to the Motion Picture, Broadcasting, and Recorded Sound Division. Glass negatives were transferred to the Prints and Photographs Division. All transfers are identified in these divisions as part of the John Von Neumann and Klára Dán Von Neumann Papers. Patrons are encouraged to contact these divisions in advance of a research visit.

## Related Material

Related collections in the Manuscript Division include the papers of Carl Eckart (see <https://hdl.loc.gov/loc/mss/eadmss.ms001014>).

## Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of John Von Neumann and Klára Dán Von Neumann is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

## Access and Restrictions

The papers of John Von Neumann and Klára Dán Von Neumann are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

## Preferred Citation

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## Biographical Note

### John Von Neumann

Date	Event
1903, Dec.28	Born Neumann János Lajos, Budapest, Hungary
1925	B.A., chemical engineering, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, Zurich, Switzerland
1926	Ph.D., mathematics, University of Budapest, Budapest, Hungary

1929	Married Mariette Kövesi (divorced 1937)
1930	Immigrated to the United States
1930-1933	Visiting professor, Princeton University, Princeton, N.J.
1932	Published <i>Mathematische Grundlagen der Quantenmechanik</i> . Berlin: J. Springer
1933-1957	Research professor of mathematics, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, N.J.
1937	Naturalized United States citizen
1939	Married Klára Dán
1940-1957	Member, Scientific Advisory Committee, Ballistic Research Laboratory, Aberdeen, Md.
1943-1955	Consultant, Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory, Los Alamos, N.Mex.
1944	Published <i>Theory of Games and Economic Behavior</i> . Princeton: Princeton University Press
1952-1954	Member, General Advisory Committee, United States Atomic Energy Commission
1955-1957	Commissioner, United States Atomic Energy Commission
1957, Feb. 8	Died, Washington, D.C.

### Klára Dán Von Neumann

Date	Event
1911, Aug. 18	Born Dán Klára, Budapest, Hungary
1921-1929	Attended Veres Pálné Gimnázium, Budapest, Hungary
circa 1930-1938	Married and divorced Francis Engel and Andrew Rapoch
1938	Married John Von Neumann (died 1957) and immigrated to the United States
1942	Naturalized United States citizen
1943-1945	Head, Statistical Computing Group, Princeton University, Princeton, N.J.
1946-1953	Mathematical coder, Los Alamos Scientific Laboratories, Los Alamos, N.Mex.
1958	Married Carl Eckart (died 1973)
1963, Nov. 10	Died, La Jolla, Calif.

## Scope and Content Note

The papers of John Von Neumann (1903-1957) and Klára Dán Von Neumann-Eckart (1911-1963) span the years 1912-2000, with the bulk of the items concentrated in the period 1935-1963. The papers pertain primarily to John Von Neumann's life in the United States after he emigrated from Hungary to the United States in 1930 and to the work and family of his second wife and widow, Klára Dán, after her emigration in 1938. Featured is John's career as professor of mathematics at the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton (1933-1957), adviser and commissioner on the United States Atomic Energy Commission (1952-1957), scientific consultant to government and industry, and author of works on various scientific topics. Also featured are their family relationships and Klára's career as a computer programmer. The collection consists of correspondence, memoranda, journals, speeches, articles and book drafts, notes, charts, graphs, patent, family papers, clippings, printed matter, photographs, and other material. The papers are organized into eight series: [Family Papers](#), [General Correspondence](#), [Subject File](#), [Speeches and Writings File](#), [Addition I](#), [Addition II](#), [Addition III](#), and [Oversize](#).

The [Family Papers](#) series consists chiefly of correspondence between John Von Neumann and family members. Of particular significance is the extensive correspondence between him and Klára Dán Von Neumann concerning professional and family matters.

The [General Correspondence](#) series contains John Von Neumann's incoming and outgoing correspondence with his colleagues at the Institute for Advanced Study, the Atomic Energy Commission and other government bodies, including the Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory, and various universities. Of special interest are an Albert Einstein letter and report on theoretical physics (1937). Other correspondents include Frank Aydelotte, Hans Albrecht Bethe, Garrett Birkhoff, S. Chandrasekhar, George Bernard Dantzig, P. A. M. Dirac, Carl Eckart, Enrico Fermi, Abraham Flexner, George Gamow, Kurt Gödel, Herman Heine Goldstine, Werner Heisenberg, L. van Hove, Cuthbert Hurd, Pascual Jordan, R. H. Kent, George B. Kistiakowsky, Oskar Morgenstern, J. Robert Oppenheimer, Rudolf Ortway, Wolfgang Pauli, Marshall H. Stone,

Lewis L. Strauss, Abraham Haskel Taub, Edward Teller, Stanislaw M. Ulam, Oswald Veblen, Warren Weaver, Hermann Weyl, Norbert Wiener, and Eugene Paul Wigner.

The [Subject File](#) documents all facets of John Von Neumann's career in the United States, reflecting his role in early computer and atomic research. The bulk of the series pertains to his work at the Institute for Advanced Study, including his tenure as director of the Electronic Computer Project. Other papers document Von Neumann's many consultancies. Of particular interest are files relating to his work at the United States Army Ballistic Research Laboratory in Aberdeen, Maryland.

The [Speeches and Writings File](#) reflects John Von Neumann's interest in numerous scientific and mathematical subjects. The series includes his early writings in quantum mechanics and logic, his writings on continuous geometries, operator theory, ballistic research, and his later works concerning computers. Also of note is his pioneering work on game theory. Throughout the [Speeches and Writings File](#) are evaluations of Von Neumann's work written after his death by his colleagues. Among the reviewers were Herman Heine Goldstine, Paul R. Halmos, and Abraham Haskel Taub.

[Addition I](#) to the papers consists of correspondence between John Von Neumann and Eva Aldor, other material relating to Eva Aldor and Peter Aldor, correspondence relating to the Poiseuille-type laminar flow, biographical information, a patent, photographs, and printed matter.

The bulk of [Addition II](#) was created by Klára Dán Von Neumann, who was one of the early computer programmers. In the general correspondence of [Addition II](#) is Klára's correspondence with many of the physicists and mathematicians documented in the [General Correspondence](#) series and their wives, including fellow programmers such as Francois Ulman. In the family correspondence of [Addition II](#) are letters spanning 1937-1954 between Klára and John Von Neumann. Also in the file are Klára's exchanges with John's brothers, Michael J. Neumann and Nicholas A. Vonneumann, and in Hungarian with members of Klára's own Dán family, including her mother, Kamilla Dán, and sister, Elizabeth Deg. Much of the Hungarian correspondence relates to getting Klára and then her family members, who were Jewish, out of continental Europe at the onset of World War II. A file relating to John Von Neumann's literary estate includes correspondence with Robert Maxwell, the proprietor of Pergamon Press and publisher of his collected works.

[Addition III](#) consists of draft chapters of Klára Dán Von Neumann's unpublished memoir, "Grasshopper in Very Tall Grass," related correspondence, and other assorted material.

## Arrangement of the Collection

This collection is arranged in eight series:

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