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## REMARK ON AN INTEGRAL OF M. MATLOKA

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Recently M. Matloka has constructed a Riemann type integral for functions  $f: \langle a, b \rangle \rightarrow L(R)$ , where  $L(R)$  is a special set of so-called fuzzy numbers. Of course, the set  $L(R)$  has a natural algebraic and topological structure: it becomes an ordered space and simultaneously a metric space. This remark contains an abstract point of view of the Matloka theory. We give assumptions under which the corresponding generalizations of the Riemann-Matloka integral have the expected properties. Recall that the space  $L(R)$  with his usual operations does not form a linear space. Therefore our point of view may be useful.

First we shall consider an ordered structure.

1. Assumptions. There is given a partially ordered set  $A$  satisfying the following properties:

1.1.  $A$  is a boundedly complete lattice.

1.2. There is given a commutative and associative operation  $+$  on  $A$  with a neutral element  $O$ , preserving the ordering (i.e.  $x \leq y \Rightarrow x + z \leq y + z$ ).

1.3. There is given a multiplication of elements of  $A$  by real numbers, associative, preserving the ordering (i.e.  $x \leq y, c > 0, d < 0 \Rightarrow cx \leq cy, dx \geq dy$ ) and such that  $1x = x$ .

**2. Definition.** If  $f: \langle a, b \rangle \rightarrow A$  is a bounded function and  $D = \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}$  is a decomposition of  $\langle a, b \rangle$ , then we first define the lower and upper sums

$$\bar{S}(f, D) = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i(x_i - x_{i-1}), \quad \underline{S}(f, D) = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i(x_i - x_{i-1})$$

and then the lower and upper integrals

$$(U) \int_a^b f(x) \, dx = \inf \{ \bar{S}(f, D); D \text{ is a partition of } \langle a, b \rangle \},$$

$$(L) \int_a^b f(x) \, dx = \sup \{ \underline{S}(f, D); D \text{ is a partition of } \langle a, b \rangle \}.$$

The function  $f$  is integrable if  $(U) \int_a^b f(x) \, dx = (L) \int_a^b f(x) \, dx$ .

The common value will be denoted by  $(O) \int_a^b f(x) \, dx$ .

**3. Proposition.** If  $f, g$  are integrable functions and  $\alpha, \beta$  are real numbers, then  $\alpha f + \beta g$  is integrable, too, and

$$(O) \int_a^b (\alpha f(x) + \beta g(x)) \, dx = \alpha(O) \int_a^b f(x) \, dx + \beta(O) \int_a^b g(x) \, dx.$$

If  $f \leq g$ , then  $(O) \int_a^b f(x) \, dx \leq (O) \int_a^b g(x) \, dx$ .

**Proof.** It is straightforward.

**4. Proposition.** If  $f$  is integrable on  $\langle a, b \rangle$  and  $c \in (a, b)$ , then  $f$  is integrable on  $\langle a, c \rangle$  and  $\langle c, b \rangle$  and

$$(O) \int_a^b f(x) \, dx = (O) \int_a^c f(x) \, dx + (O) \int_c^b f(x) \, dx.$$

**Proof.** It follows from the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} (U) \int_a^b f(x) \, dx &\geq (U) \int_a^c f(x) \, dx + (U) \int_c^b f(x) \, dx \geq \\ &\geq (L) \int_a^c f(x) \, dx + (L) \int_c^b f(x) \, dx \geq (L) \int_a^b f(x) \, dx. \end{aligned}$$

Now the second point of view.

5. Assumptions. Let  $(A, d)$  be a complete metric space satisfying the following conditions:

5.1. There is given a commutative and associative operation  $+$  on  $A$  with a neutral element and satisfying the identities

$$d(a + b, c + d) \leq d(a, c) + d(b, d) \quad \text{and} \quad d(a, b) \leq d(a + c, b + c).$$

5.2. There is given a multiplication of elements of  $A$  by real numbers such that  $0a = 0$  and the identities  $\lambda(a + b) = \lambda a + \lambda b$ ,  $d(\lambda a, \lambda b) = |\lambda|d(a, b)$  are satisfied.

**6. Definition.** Let  $(A, d)$  be a metric space satisfying the assumptions 5. A function  $\langle a, b \rangle \rightarrow A$  is called integrable if there is  $I \in A$  such that to every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is  $\delta > 0$  such that for every decomposition  $D$  with the norm  $\|D\| < \delta$  we have  $d(S(f, D), I) < \varepsilon$  ( $S(f, D)$  is an arbitrary integral sum). the element  $I$  will be denoted by  $\int_a^b f(x) \, dx$ .

**7. Proposition.** *If  $f, g$  are integrable, then  $\alpha f + \beta g$  is integrable too and*

$$\int_a^b (\alpha f(x) + \beta g(x)) \, dx = \alpha \int_a^b f(x) \, dx + \beta \int_a^b g(x) \, dx.$$

**8. Proposition.** *If  $(f_n)_n$  is a sequence of integrable functions converging uniformly on  $f$ , then  $f$  is integrable and*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d\left(\int_a^b f(x) \, dx, \int_a^b f_n(x) \, dx\right) = 0.$$

**9. Proposition.** *If  $f$  is integrable on  $\langle a, b \rangle$ , then it is integrable on  $\langle a, c \rangle$  and  $\langle c, b \rangle$  and*

$$\int_a^b f(x) \, dx = \int_a^c f(x) \, dx + \int_c^b f(x) \, dx.$$

*Proof.* The only interesting point is to prove that  $f$  is integrable on  $\langle a, c \rangle$ . It follows by the following Bolzano-Cauchy criterion:  $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0 \forall D_1, D_2: \|D_1\| < \delta \wedge \|D_2\| < \delta \Rightarrow d(S(f, D_1), S(f, D_2)) < \varepsilon$ . Indeed, if this condition is satisfied, then we can choose to  $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{n+1}$  corresponding  $\delta_n$  and then put

$A_n = \{S(f, D); \|D\| < \max_{i \leq n} \delta_i\}$ . Then  $\text{diam } \bar{A}_n < \frac{1}{n}$  and the element  $I$  can be

obtained by  $\{I\} = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \bar{A}_n$ .

**10. Examples.** The most interesting example is the set  $L(R)$  of all fuzzy numbers, i.e. functions  $\mu: R \rightarrow \langle 0, 1 \rangle$  satisfying the following properties:

1. There is  $x_0 \in R$  such that  $\mu(x_0) = 1$ .
2. There is a compact set  $K \subset R$  such that  $\{x; \mu(x) > 0\} \subset K$ .
3. For every  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  the set  $\mu_\alpha = \{x; \mu(x) \geq \alpha\}$  is convex.
4.  $\mu$  is upper semicontinuous, i.e.  $\{x; \mu(x) < \alpha\}$  is open for every  $\alpha \in \langle 0, 1 \rangle$ .

It follows that  $\mu_\alpha = \langle a_\alpha, b_\alpha \rangle$  for every  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ . If  $\nu_\alpha = \langle c_\alpha, d_\alpha \rangle$ ; then we define  $\mu \leq \nu$  if  $a_\alpha \leq c_\alpha, b_\alpha \leq d_\alpha$  for every  $\alpha$  and we define  $\mu + \nu$  by  $(\mu + \nu)_\alpha = \langle a_\alpha + c_\alpha, b_\alpha + d_\alpha \rangle$  and  $\lambda\mu$  by  $(\lambda\mu)_\alpha = \langle \lambda a_\alpha, \lambda b_\alpha \rangle$  for  $\lambda \geq 0$ ,  $(\lambda\mu)_\alpha = \langle \lambda b_\alpha, \lambda a_\alpha \rangle$  for  $\lambda < 0$ . It is not difficult to see that  $L(R)$  satisfies the assumptions 1. Another example of a set  $A$  satisfying these assumptions is any boundedly complete linear lattice.

If we define  $d(\mu, \nu) = \sup \{d(\mu_\alpha, \nu_\alpha); \alpha \in \langle 0, 1 \rangle\}$ , where  $d(\mu_\alpha, \nu_\alpha) = \max \{|c_\alpha - a_\alpha|, |d_\alpha - b_\alpha|\}$ , then also the assumptions 5 are satisfied. Another example satisfying 5 is any Banach space with  $d(a, b) = \|a - b\|$ .

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## ЗАМЕТКА ОБ ИНТЕГРАЛЕ М. МАТЛОКИ

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### Резюме

В теории Матлоки изучаются отображения с значениями в множестве  $L(R)$  так называемых нечётких чисел. В настоящей работе показано, что множество  $L(R)$  можно заменить упорядоченным пространством или метрическим пространством.