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**1. Introduction.** By a suitable weakening of the absolute continuity it is possible to extend the domain of the indefinite Lebesgue integral of a given function. An analogous method was studied abstractly by HOLEC and MAŘÍK in the paper [1]. In this way, KARTÁK and MAŘÍK defined the so called  $\beta$ -integral in  $E_m$  for  $m \geq 2$  in [2]. The definition of  $\beta$ -integral retains its meaning even for  $m = 1$ . The purpose of this paper is to clear up the relation of this  $\beta$ -integral in  $E_1$  to more usual integrations.

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**2. Notations and definitions.** The terms: outer measure, measure, measurable and so on are related to the Lebesgue measure in  $E_1$ . The outer measure of the set  $M \subset E_1$  is denoted by  $|M|$  and the system of all measurable subsets of  $E_1$  is denoted by  $\mathfrak{Z}$ . Given  $\mathfrak{B} \subset \mathfrak{Z}$ ,  $T \in \mathfrak{Z}$ , let  $T\mathfrak{B}$  denote the system of all sets  $T \cap V$  for  $V \in \mathfrak{B}$ .

Further let  $\mathfrak{A}_0$  denote the system of all subsets of  $E_1$  expressible as a finite union of compact nondegenerate intervals. Now,  $\mathfrak{A}$  stands for the system of all bounded sets  $A \subset E_1$  such that there exists a  $B \in \mathfrak{A}_0$  with  $|(A - B) \cup (B - A)| = 0$ . Given  $A \in \mathfrak{A}$ , there exists exactly one  $B \in \mathfrak{A}_0$  possessing the above property; we put  $\tilde{A} = B$  and  $\|A\| = 2p$ , where  $p$  is the number of components of  $\tilde{A}$ .

Now, let us define the convergence  $\rightarrow$  on  $\mathfrak{Z}$  as follows:  $Z_n \rightarrow Z$  means that  $Z_n \subset Z$ ,  $Z - Z_n \in \mathfrak{A}$ ,  $\sup_n \|Z - Z_n\| < \infty$ ,  $|Z - Z_n| \rightarrow 0$ . A system  $\mathfrak{F} \subset \mathfrak{Z}$  will be called closed, if each limit of a sequence of sets of  $\mathfrak{F}$  lies in  $\mathfrak{F}$ . Given  $\mathfrak{B} \subset \mathfrak{Z}$ ,  $u(\mathfrak{B})$  denotes the minimal closed system containing  $\mathfrak{B}$ . The set functions under considerations are supposed to be finite and their continuity means the continuity with respect to  $\rightarrow$ .

For a set  $M \subset E_1$  let us denote  $\bar{M}$  the closure of  $M$ . Given an open set  $G \subset E_1$ , let us denote  $\mathfrak{R}(G)$  the system of all  $A \in \mathfrak{A}$  such that  $\bar{A} \subset G$ .

Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be the system of all real-valued functions ( $\pm \infty$  not excluded) whose domain of definition is a subset of  $E_1$ . With each  $f \in \mathcal{F}$  we associate the system  $\mathfrak{M}(f)$  of all measurable sets, on which the finite Lebesgue integral of  $f$  exists. A point  $x \in E_1$  is said to be an  $L$ -regular point for  $f \in \mathcal{F}$  if there exists a neighbourhood  $U$  of  $x$  such

that  $U \in \mathfrak{M}(f)$ . The set of all  $L$ -regular points of  $f$  will be denoted by  $L_f$ ; this set is evidently open. The Perron (or Lebesgue) integral of  $f$  over the set  $M$  will be denoted by  $\int_M f$ .

The function  $f \in \mathcal{F}$  is said to be  $\beta$ -integrable on the set  $A \in \mathfrak{A}$ , if  $A \in \mathfrak{u}(\mathfrak{A} \cap \mathfrak{M}(f))$  and if there exists a continuous additive function  $\varphi$  defined on  $A\mathfrak{A}$  such that  $\varphi(B) = \int_B f$  for each  $B \in \mathfrak{M}(f) \cap \mathfrak{A}$ . The number  $\varphi(A)$  will be denoted by  $\beta(f, A)$ .

**3. Lemma.** *Suppose that  $A_n \in \mathfrak{A}$ ,  $A_n \rightarrow A$ ,  $\sup_n \|A_n\| = 2t$ ,  $\|A\| = 2s$ . Then  $\tilde{A}_n \rightarrow \tilde{A}$  and the set  $\tilde{A} - \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \tilde{A}_n$  has at most  $t + s$  points.*

*Proof.* It is easy to see that  $A \subset B$  implies  $\tilde{A} \subset \tilde{B}$ ; whence it follows immediately that  $\tilde{A}_n \rightarrow \tilde{A}$ .

Let us denote  $y_1, \dots, y_s$  the left endpoints of the components of the set  $\tilde{A}$  and let  $H$  be the set of all these points. Let  $x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_k$  be arbitrary points of the set  $\tilde{A} - \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \tilde{A}_n - H$  and let  $x_0 = \min H$ . Since  $|\tilde{A} - \tilde{A}_n| \rightarrow \infty$ , we can choose such  $n$  that  $|\tilde{A} - \tilde{A}_n| < |A \cap \langle x_{l-1}, x_l \rangle|$  for  $l = 1, \dots, k$ . Hence there exist components  $I_1, \dots, I_k$  of the set  $\tilde{A}_n$  lying in the intervals  $\langle x_0, x_1 \rangle, \dots, \langle x_{k-1}, x_k \rangle$  respectively. It follows that  $k \leq t$ , and the number of all points of the set  $\tilde{A} - \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \tilde{A}_n$  does not exceed  $t + s$ .

**4. Lemma.** *Given  $Q \subset E_1$ , let  $\mathfrak{A}_Q$  denote the system of all sets  $A \in \mathfrak{A}$  such that  $\tilde{A} - Q$  is countable. Then the system  $\mathfrak{A}_Q$  is closed.*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $A_n \in \mathfrak{A}_Q$ ,  $A_n \rightarrow A$ . By the preceding lemma  $\tilde{A}_n \rightarrow \tilde{A}$  and the set  $\tilde{A} - \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \tilde{A}_n$  is finite. Then, by the inclusion  $\tilde{A} - Q \subset (\tilde{A} - \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \tilde{A}_n) \cup \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (\tilde{A}_n - Q)$ ,  $\tilde{A} - Q$  is countable, i.e.  $A \in \mathfrak{A}_Q$ .

**5. Theorem.** *Let  $G$  be an open subset of  $E_1$ . Then  $A \in \mathfrak{u}(\mathfrak{R}(G))$  if and only if  $A \in \mathfrak{A}$  and  $\tilde{A} - G$  is countable.*

*Proof.* a) Using the notation of the preceding lemma we have obviously  $\mathfrak{R}(G) \subset \mathfrak{A}_G$  and by that lemma  $\mathfrak{u}(\mathfrak{R}(G)) \subset \mathfrak{A}_G$ . This means that  $A \in \mathfrak{A}$  and  $\tilde{A} - G$  is countable for  $A \in \mathfrak{u}(\mathfrak{R}(G))$ .

b) Suppose now that  $A \in \mathfrak{A}$  and that  $\tilde{A} - G$  is countable. Let us denote  $\mathfrak{G}$  the system of all open sets  $H \subset E_1$  with the following property: If  $B \in \mathfrak{A}$ ,  $\bar{B} \subset H$ , then  $A \cap B \in \mathfrak{u}(\mathfrak{R}(G))$ . We have:

- (i)  $G \in \mathfrak{G}$ ,  $E_1 - \tilde{A} \in \mathfrak{G}$ . (This is evident.)
- (ii)  $\bigcup_{H \in \mathfrak{G}_1} H \in \mathfrak{G}$  for  $\mathfrak{G}_1 \subset \mathfrak{G}$ . (This relation is a consequence of the following

assertion: If  $B \in \mathfrak{A}$ ,  $\bar{B} \subset \bigcup_{H \in \mathfrak{G}_1} H$ , then there exists a finite number of sets  $B_i \in \mathfrak{A}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, k$ , such that  $\bigcup_{i=1}^k B_i = B$ ,  $\bar{B}_i \subset H_i$  for suitable  $H_i \in \mathfrak{G}_1$ .)

(iii) If  $\alpha < \beta < \gamma$ ,  $(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathfrak{G}$ ,  $(\beta, \gamma) \in \mathfrak{G}$ , then  $(\alpha, \gamma) \in \mathfrak{G}$ . (This is obvious.)

Let us put  $H_0 = \bigcup_{H \in \mathfrak{G}} H$ . According to (ii),  $H_0 \in \mathfrak{G}$  and according to (i),  $E_1 - H_0 \subset \tilde{A} - G$ . Hence the set  $E_1 - H_0$  is a countable closed set without isolated points (see (iii)). It follows that  $H_0 = E_1$  whence  $A \in \mathfrak{u}(\mathfrak{R}(G))$ .

**6. Lemma.** *If  $f \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $\mathfrak{u}(\mathfrak{A} \cap \mathfrak{M}(f)) = \mathfrak{u}(\mathfrak{R}(L_f))$ .*

*Proof.* The obvious inclusion  $\mathfrak{R}(L_f) \subset \mathfrak{A} \cap \mathfrak{M}(f)$  implies  $\mathfrak{u}(\mathfrak{R}(L_f)) \subset \mathfrak{u}(\mathfrak{A} \cap \mathfrak{M}(f))$ . Let  $A \in \mathfrak{A} \cap \mathfrak{M}(f)$ . Denoting  $\langle a_i, b_i \rangle$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, p$ , the components of  $\tilde{A}$ , we have  $(a_i, b_i) \in L_f$ , whence  $\langle a_i, b_i \rangle \in \mathfrak{u}(\mathfrak{R}(L_f))$ . Since  $\mathfrak{u}(\mathfrak{R}(L_f))$  is a set ring containing all bounded sets  $M$  with  $|M| = 0$ , it follows that  $A \in \mathfrak{u}(\mathfrak{R}(L_f))$ . Hence  $\mathfrak{u}(\mathfrak{A} \cap \mathfrak{M}(f)) \subset \mathfrak{u}(\mathfrak{R}(L_f))$  also holds.

**7. Theorem.** *Let  $I = \langle a, b \rangle$  be a compact interval in  $E_1$ .*

a) *Let  $\varphi$  be an additive continuous function on  $I\mathfrak{A}$ . If we put  $f(x) = \varphi(\langle a, x \rangle)$  for  $x \in I$ , then the function  $f$  is continuous on  $I$ .*

b) *Conversely, let  $f$  be a continuous function on  $I$ . If we put  $\varphi(A) = \sum_{j=1}^p (f(b_j) - f(a_j))$  for  $A \in I\mathfrak{A}$  denoting  $\langle a_j, b_j \rangle$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, p$ , the components of  $\tilde{A}$ , then the function  $\varphi$  is additive and continuous on  $I\mathfrak{A}$ .*

*Proof.* a) The continuity from the left of  $f$  is obvious and the continuity from the right follows from the formula  $f(x) = \varphi(\langle a, b \rangle) - \varphi(\langle x, b \rangle)$ .

b) The additivity of  $\varphi$  is evident. Suppose that  $A_n \rightarrow A$ ,  $A \subset I$  and  $\sup \|A - A_n\| = 2s$ . Let  $\varepsilon$  be any positive number. There exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|f(y) - f(x)| < \varepsilon/s$  for  $x \in I$ ,  $y \in I$ ,  $|y - x| < \delta$ . Further, there exists  $n_0$  such that  $|A - A_n| < \delta$  for  $n \geq n_0$ . Hence  $|\varphi(A) - \varphi(A_n)| = |\varphi(A - A_n)| < s(\varepsilon/s) = \varepsilon$  for  $n \geq n_0$ . This proves the continuity of  $\varphi$ .

**8. Theorem.** *Let  $G$  be an open subset of  $E_1$  and let  $I$  be a compact interval in  $E_1$ . Suppose that the set  $I - G$  is countable. Let  $F$  and  $f$  be two functions on  $I$  such that  $F$  is continuous on  $I$  and is a Perron indefinite integral of  $f$  on each component of  $G$ . Then  $F$  is a Perron indefinite integral of  $f$  on  $I$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\varepsilon$  be any positive number. Let  $(a_n, b_n)$ ,  $n \in N$ , be the components of  $G$  and let  $I = \langle a, b \rangle$ . By the well known theorem on Perron integration there exists the Perron integral  $\int_{a_n}^{b_n} f = F(b_n) - F(a_n)$  for each  $n \in N$ . Let  $M_n$  be a majorant of  $f$  on  $\langle a_n, b_n \rangle$  such that  $M_n(b_n) - M_n(a_n) < F(b_n) - F(a_n) + \varepsilon/2^n$ . Put  $g_n(x) = 0$  for

$x < a_n$ ,  $g_n(x) = M_n(x) - F(x) - M_n(a_n) + F(a_n)$  for  $a_n \leq x \leq b_n$ ,  $g_n(x) = g_n(b_n)$  for  $x > b_n$  and  $g = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} g_n$ . Finally put  $h(x) = \varepsilon \sum_k (1/2^k) \operatorname{sgn}(x - s_k)$ , where  $\{s_1, s_2, \dots\} = I - G$ . Then the function  $M = F + g + h$  is a majorant of  $f$  on  $\langle a, b \rangle$  such that  $M(b) - M(a) < F(b) - F(a) + 3\varepsilon$ . Using a similar construction we find a minorant  $m$  of  $f$  on  $\langle a, b \rangle$  such that  $m(b) - m(a) > F(b) - F(a) - 3\varepsilon$ . Hence there exists the Perron integral  $\int_a^b f = F(b) - F(a)$ .

**9. Theorem.** *Suppose that  $f \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $I = \langle a, b \rangle$ . Then  $\beta(f, I)$  exists if and only if there exists the Perron integral  $\int_a^b f$  and the set  $I - L_f$  is countable. In this case  $\beta(f, I) = \int_a^b f$ .*

*Proof.* a) Suppose that  $\beta(f, I)$  exists. By the definition of  $\beta$ -integral and by Lemma 6 we have  $I \in \mathbf{u}(\mathfrak{R}(L_f))$ , so that by Theorem 5 the set  $I - L_f$  is countable. By Theorem 7 the function  $F$ ,  $F(x) = \beta(f, \langle a, x \rangle)$  for  $x \in \langle a, b \rangle$ , is continuous on  $\langle a, b \rangle$ . Now, we can apply Theorem 8 with  $G = L_f$ . Hence  $F$  is an indefinite Perron integral of  $f$  on  $\langle a, b \rangle$  and  $\int_a^b f = F(b) - F(a) = \beta(f, I)$ .

b) Conversely, suppose that the Perron integral  $\int_a^b f$  exists and the set  $I - L_f$  is countable. By Theorem 5 and Lemma 6 we have  $I \in \mathbf{u}(\mathfrak{R}(L_f)) = \mathbf{u}(\mathfrak{A} \cap \mathfrak{M}(f))$ . For  $A \in \mathfrak{A}$  let us put  $\varphi(A) = \sum_{j=1}^p (F(b_j) - F(a_j))$ , where  $\langle a_j, b_j \rangle$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, p$ , are the components of  $\tilde{A}$  and  $F(x) = \int_a^x f$ . By Theorem 7 the function  $\varphi$  is an additive continuous function on  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Since  $\varphi(A) = \int_A f$  for  $A \in \mathfrak{M}(f) \cap \mathfrak{A}$ , there exists  $\beta(f, I) = \varphi(I) = \int_a^b f$ .

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