

107. An Abstract Integral (X).

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Introduction. The first section is devoted to simplify the theory of general Denjoy integral. The essential point is to use Romanowski's lemma¹⁾. He used the lemma to develop the theory of the special Denjoy integral in abstract space. In § 2 we define an "abstract Denjoy integral" The integral which is called \mathfrak{D} -integral, becomes general or special Denjoy integral and others by the suitable specialization. The (\mathfrak{D}) -integral is defined as the inverse of an "abstract derivative" $\mathfrak{A}\mathfrak{D}$ which is defined axiomatically. Finally, we remark that the theory developed here can be extended to the case of abstract valued functions defined in an abstract space.

§ 1. Let $f(x)$ be a real valued function in the interval $I_0 = (a, b)$. If $f(x)$ is a continuous function in I_0 such that there is a sequence of sets (E_k) such as $I_0 = \bigvee_{k=1}^{\infty} E_k$ and $f(x)$ is absolutely continuous in E_k ($k=1, 2, 3, \dots$), then $f(x)$ is called to be generalized absolutely continuous in I_0 , and we write $f \in CAC_{I_0}$ or simply $f \in GAC$. Approximate derivative $ADF(x)$ of $f(x)$ is defined in the ordinary manner.

We will begin by two lemmas.

(1.1) Let E be a closed set in I_0 and $I_0 = \bigvee_{k=1}^{\infty} E_k$, then there is a portion P of E such that a suitable E_k is dense in P .

Proof. If the theorem is not true, then there is a portion P_1 of E such that $P_1 \cap E_1 = \emptyset$. There is also a portion P_2 of P_1 such that $P_2 \cap E_2 = \emptyset$. Thus proceeding we get a sequence (P_k) of portions such that $P_k \supseteq P_{k+1}$ ($k=1, 2, 3, \dots$). Evidently $\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} P_k \neq \emptyset$. If $x \in \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} P_k$, then $x \in E$. On the other hand $x \notin E_k$ ($k=1, 2, 3, \dots$), and then $x \notin I_0$ which is a contradiction.

(1.2) (Romanowski) Let \mathfrak{F} be a system of open intervals in I_0 , such that¹⁾

- 1° $I_k \in \mathfrak{F}$ ($k=1, 2, \dots, n$) and $(\bigvee_{k=1}^{\infty} \bar{I}_k)^0 = I$ imply $I \in \mathfrak{F}$.
- 2° $I \in \mathfrak{F}$ and $\mathfrak{F}' \subseteq I$ imply $I' \in \mathfrak{F}$.
- 3° if $\bar{I} \subseteq I$ implies $I' \in \mathfrak{F}$, then $I \in \mathfrak{F}$.
- 4° if I_1 is a subsystem of \mathfrak{F} such that \mathfrak{F}_1 does not cover I_0 , then there is an $I \in \mathfrak{F}$ such that \mathfrak{F}_1 does not cover I .

Then $I_0 \in \mathfrak{F}$.

Proof. 4° implies $\bigvee(I; I \in \mathfrak{F}) \supseteq I_0$. Let $\bar{I} < I_0$. By the Heine-Borel theorem there are I_k ($k=1, 2, \dots, n$) in \mathfrak{F} such as $I < \bigvee_{k=1}^n I_k$. End

1) Romanowski, Recueil math., 1940.