

### 205. On Generalized Integrals. III

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In the preceding papers [3], we showed that the special (*E.R.*) integral is defined as a unique and natural extension of integrals (defined as usual) of step functions, using the method of the ranked space. In fact, to do this, we introduced on the set  $\mathcal{E}$  of step functions on  $[a, b]$  a set of neighbourhoods, denoted by  $V(A, \varepsilon; f)$ , and a rank so that  $\mathcal{E}$  should become a ranked space. In this ranked space  $\mathcal{E}$ , we see that if  $u: \{V_n(f_n)\}$  is a fundamental sequence of neighbourhoods, the limit  $f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x)$  exists almost everywhere, and the sequence of integrals  $\int_a^b f_n(x) dx$  converges to a finite limit. Moreover, if  $u: \{V_n(f_n)\}$  and  $v: \{V_n(g_n)\}$  are two fundamental sequences belonging to the same maximal collection  $u^*$ , then we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_n(x) \quad \text{a.e.,}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b f_n(x) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b g_n(x) dx.$$

Therefore, each maximal collection  $u^*$  in  $\mathcal{E}$  determines a function and a value which we can associate to this  $u^*$ .  $J(u^*)$  denotes the function and  $I(u^*)$  denotes the value. If we denote, by  $U$ , the set of all maximal collections  $u^*$ , we have  $J(u^*) \neq J(v^*)$  for  $u^* \in U$  and  $v^* \in U$  such that  $u^* \neq v^*$ . We denoted, by  $K$ , the set  $\{J(u^*); u^* \in U\}$ , and for each  $f = J(u^*)$ , we defined the integral  $I(f)$  of  $f$  by taking the value  $I(u^*)$ . Then,  $K$  coincides with the set of (*E.R.*) integrable functions in the special sense (or *A*-integrable functions) and we have  $I(f) = (E.R.) \int_a^b f(x) dx = (A) \int_a^b f(x) dx$ . In this paper, we will show that if we reasonably introduce a set of neighbourhoods and a rank on  $K$ , then the ranked space  $K$  is a completion of the ranked space  $\mathcal{E}$  (Theorem 3). Moreover, the special (*E.R.*) integral is the  $r$ -continuous extension of integrals of step functions, and it is a  $r$ -continuous linear functional on the complete ranked space  $K$  (Theorem 4).

In order to introduce the notion of completion in the ranked spaces,<sup>1)</sup> we first recall a few basic concepts in the general ranked spaces. Throughout this paper, we suppose that the ranked spaces

1) For the problem of the completion of the ranked spaces, see [1] and [5].