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In this paper an integration theory of the Daniel type for functions with values in a vector lattice is presented. The integral is defined on a simple family of functions first, then a method of extension is used. We begin with elementary functions. (For terminology see [1]).

Definition 1.1. Let (Ω, S, P) be a probability space, X be any Dedekind σ -complete vector lattice. A function $f: \Omega \rightarrow X$ is said to be an elementary random variable if there are a sequence of mutual disjoint sets E_i , $E_i \in S$, $\cup E_i = \Omega$ and a sequence $\{x_i\}$ of elements of X such that $f(\omega) = x_i$ for every $\omega \in E_i$. An elementary random variable is said to be integrable if the series $\sum x_i P(E_i)$ is absolutely o -convergent. The integral of f is then defined as follows

$$\int f \, dP = \sum x_i P(E_i).$$

The set of all elementary random variables will be denoted by E . The order relation in E is defined in the usual manner, i.e. $f \leq g$ iff $f(\omega) \leq g(\omega)$ for every $\omega \in \Omega$. The order convergence in X and the order relation in E then imply an order convergence in E . This will be denoted by $f_n \rightarrow f$ or $f_n \uparrow f$ (resp. $f_n \downarrow f$) if f_n is increasing (resp. decreasing).

The integral as defined in 1.1. is a non-negative linear operator on E . In order to prove that it is continuous under monotone limits, i.e. that $f_n \downarrow 0$ implies $\int f_n \, dP \downarrow 0$, we need the following two lemmas.

Lemma 1.1. Let T be an o -continuous linear functional defined on X . Then $T^+(T^-)$, $T^+(x) = \sup T\langle 0, x \rangle$, $x \geq 0$ ($T^-(x) = \sup T\langle -x, 0 \rangle$, $x \geq 0$) is o -continuous.

Proof. Given a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X such that $x_n \downarrow 0$ we have to prove that $T^+(x_n) \downarrow 0$. If not, there exists a positive number c such that $T^+(x_n) \downarrow c$. Hence we have $T^+(x_n) \geq c$ for every n . It follows from the definition of T^+ that for every n there exists a $z_n \in \langle 0, x_n \rangle$ such that $c - \frac{c}{2^n} \leq T(z_n)$. It is evident that $z_n \rightarrow 0$ and consequently $T(z_n) \rightarrow 0$. On the other hand $c \leq \lim T(z_n)$, a contradiction.

Lemma 1.2. *If $f_n \in E(R)$, i.e. elementary random variables with values in R (the field of real numbers), f_n integrable, then $f_n \downarrow 0$ implies $\int f_n dP \downarrow 0$.*

Proof. See [3], page 126.

Theorem 1.1. *Let (Ω, S, P) be a probability space, X be a locally convex space with an ordering given by a closed cone K . Let $x_n \overset{o}{\rightarrow} x$ imply $T(x_n) \rightarrow T(x)$ for every $T \in X^*$. Then $f_n \in E$, f_n integrable and $f_n \downarrow 0$ imply $\int f_n dP \downarrow 0$.*

Proof. Given any $z > 0$, $z \in X$ we have to prove the existence of a natural number n such that $\int f_n dP \notin \langle z, \infty \rangle$. Since $z > 0$ and K is a closed cone, there exists a continuous linear functional T on X such that $0 < b = \inf T \langle z, \infty \rangle$. Since T is o -continuous, by hypothesis, and since every o -continuous linear functional is o -bounded (i.e. maps o -bounded sets into bounded sets), it follows from the Riesz decomposition theorem that T is the difference between two monotone linear functionals, namely T^+ and T^- . By lemma 1.1. T^+ and T^- are o -continuous linear monotone functionals. It is clear that for such functionals $f_n \downarrow 0$ implies $T^+ f_n \downarrow 0$ ($T^- f_n \downarrow 0$), i.e. $T^+ f_n(\omega) \downarrow 0$ for every ω ($T^- f_n(\omega) \downarrow 0$ for every ω). It follows by lemma 1.2. that $\int T^+ f_n dP \downarrow 0$ ($\int T^- f_n dP \downarrow 0$). Moreover we have $T^+ \int f_n = T^+ (o\text{-lim } \sum x_i P(E_i)) = o\text{-lim } T^+ (\sum x_i P(E_i)) = o\text{-lim } \sum T^+(x_i) P(E_i) = \sum T^+(x_i) P(E_i) = \int T^+ f_n dP$. (Similarly for T^-). Thus there exists a natural number m such that for every $n \geq m$, $T^+ \int f_n dP \leq \frac{b}{4}$, $T^- \int f_n dP \leq \frac{b}{4}$. Since for every $x \geq 0$ $|Tx| \leq T^+ x + T^- x$,

it follows that $|T \int f_n dP| \leq T^+ \int f_n dP + T^- \int f_n dP \leq \frac{b}{2}$.

It is not difficult to present the examples of spaces in which the conditions of theorem 1.1. are fulfilled. We know that in some spaces (e.g. in complete metrizable topological linear spaces ordered by a closed cone) the last condition in theorem 1.1. implies the so-called normality of cone, which consequently implies that $x_n \downarrow x$ in the topology of the space X , whenever $x_n \downarrow x$ in order (see [2], [4] and [5] for detailed discussion). It is worth mentioning that this is not always the case.

Example 1. Let F be the space of all real sequences having only a finite number of non-zero terms ordered by the partial sum cone P_s , i.e. by the set of all sequences in F having all partial sums non-negative. Let the supremum norm be given on F , i.e. $\|x\| = \sup |x_i|$.

We recall that a cone K gives a normal ordering of a normed linear space iff there exists $a > 0$ such that for x, y in K $\|x + y\| \geq a \|x\|$. Jameson has shown (see [4], page 94) that P_s is not normal in F with respect to the supremum norm.

It follows that P_s is closed in this topology. If this is not the case, there exists a sequence $\{x_n\}$ of elements of P_s converging in the topology to a x , which does not belong to P_s . From it there follows the existence of a natural number k such that

$s_k = \sum_1^k x_i = c < 0$. Put $d = -c$ and consider $\frac{d}{2k}$. There exists a natural number n_0 such that for every $n \geq n_0$ $\|x_n - x\| < \frac{d}{2k}$, i.e. $|x_{ni} - x_i| < \frac{d}{2k}$ for every i . We have

$$\sum_1^k x_{ni} = \sum_1^k (x_{ni} - x_i) + \sum_1^k x_i < \frac{d}{2} + c = \frac{c}{2} < 0.$$

It is well known that every continuous linear functional on F may be written in the form $f(x) = \sum x_i u_i$, $\{u_i\}$ a sequence in l . All we need to prove is the o -continuity of such functionals. Let a sequence x_n of elements of F such that $x_n \downarrow 0$ be given. It follows that $\inf_n s_k^n = \inf_n \sum_1^k x_i^n = 0$ for every k . (Indeed, the existence of a natural number k such that $\inf_n s_k^n \geq c > 0$, i.e. $s_k^n \geq c$ for every n leads to a contradiction, since the element of F having c in the place k , $-c$ in the place $k+1$ and 0 elsewhere precedes all x_n , but does not precede 0).

Denote $\max_i s_i^1$ by L (it exists, since all s_i^1 are the same from an index j). It follows that $|s_i^n| \leq L$ for every (i, n) , since x_n is decreasing. Given $b > 0$ there exists N such that $\sum_{N+1}^{\infty} |u_i| < \frac{b}{6L}$. Put $\max_{1 \leq i \leq N} |u_i| = M$. Then a natural number N_0 exists such that for every $n \geq N_0$ and for every $i \in \{1, \dots, N\}$ $|s_i^n| < \frac{b}{6NM}$. We have, consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x^n)| &\leq \sum |x_i^n| |u_i| \leq \sum |s_i^n| |u_i| + \sum |s_{i-1}^n| |u_i| = \\ &= \sum_1^N |s_i^n| |u_i| + \sum_1^N |s_{i-1}^n| |u_i| + \sum_{N+1}^{\infty} |s_i^n| |u_i| + \\ &+ \sum_{N+1}^{\infty} |s_{i-1}^n| |u_i| \leq 2 \sum_1^N \frac{b}{6NM} |u_i| + 2L \sum_{N+1}^{\infty} |u_i| < b. \end{aligned}$$

In the general case, $z_n \rightarrow 0$ implies the existence of a sequence $x_n \downarrow 0$ such that $|z_n| \leq x_n \downarrow 0$. Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned} |f(z_n)| &= |\sum z_i^n u_i| \leq \sum |z_i^n| |u_i| = \sum |S_i^n - S_{i-1}^n| |u_i| \leq \\ &\leq \sum |s_i^n| |u_i| + \sum |s_{i-1}^n| |u_i|, \end{aligned}$$

S_i^n, s_i^n denoting the partial sums of z_n and x_n , respectively.

We present now sufficient conditions for the assumptions of theorem 1.1. to be fulfilled. The proofs are known and therefore may be omitted.

Proposition 1.2. *Let X be a semireflexive locally convex space ordered by a closed cone and let every continuous linear functional be absolutely majorized (i.e. $|f(x)| \leq g(x)$, $x \geq 0$, $g(x)$ a monotone functional). Then $x_n \xrightarrow{o} x$ implies $T(x_n) \rightarrow T(x)$ for every $T \in X^*$.*

Proof. See [4].

Proposition 1.3. *Let X be a complete topological linear space, ordered by a closed cone with a bounded base B such that $0 \notin \bar{B}$. Then $x_n \xrightarrow{o} x$ implies $T(x_n) \rightarrow T(x)$ for every $T \in X^*$.*

Proof. See [2].

It is interesting that in some cases we can do without topology, i.e. we can state and prove theorem 1.1. replacing continuous linear functionals by o -bounded ones. From now on X^+ denotes o -dual of X , i.e. the set of all o -bounded linear functionals on X . We recall that X is said to be regularly ordered by a cone, if X^+ separates points of X .

Theorem 1.4. *Let (Ω, S, P) be a probability space, X be a vector lattice regularly ordered by a cone. If every o -bounded linear functional is o -continuous, then $f_n \downarrow 0$, f_n elementary integrable random variables, implies $\int f_n dP \downarrow 0$.*

Proof. Analogous to that of theorem 1.1.

Corollary 1.5. *Let X be a linear space ordered by a cone with the order topology, i.e. the largest locally convex topology making all o -intervals bounded. If every o -bounded linear functional is o -continuous, then $f_n \downarrow 0$, f_n elementary integrable random variables implies $\int f_n dP \downarrow 0$.*

Proof. In such space X^+ separates points of X .

There is another interesting application of theorem 1.4. We recall that a vector lattice is called a regular vector lattice if it has the diagonal property for o -convergence (see [1]). For such spaces the following theorem holds, which should be compared with [6], lemma 2.

Theorem 1.6. *Let X be a Dedekind o -complete regular vector lattice. If X^+ separates points of X , then $f_n \downarrow 0$ implies $\int f_n dP \downarrow 0$.*

Proof. If a vector lattice has the diagonal property, then every o -bounded linear functional is o -continuous (see [4]).

II.

Definition 2.1. *A function f defined on Ω and having values in X is said to be a random variable if there exist an increasing sequence $\{f_n\}$ of elementary random*

variables such that $f_n \uparrow f$ and a decreasing sequence $\{g_n\}$ of elementary random variables such that $g_n \downarrow f$.

Remark. Let X be a metric space. A function $f: \Omega \rightarrow X$ is called a *random element*, iff $f^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{S}$ for every Borel set B of X .

We recall that a subset H of a cone K in an ordered vector space exhausts K if for every $x \in K$ there exists $h \in H$ and a natural number n such that $x \leq nh$ (see [4]).

Proposition 2.1. *Let X be a complete separable linear metric space ordered by a closed cone K such that a countable set exhausts K and the mapping $x \rightarrow x^+$ is continuous at 0. Then every random element is a random variable.*

Proof. Let D be a countable dense set in X . For every $x \in X$ there exists a sequence $\{x_n\} \subset D$, converging to x , i.e. $r(x_n - x, 0) \rightarrow 0$. Hence, by hypothesis $r(|x_n - x|, 0) \rightarrow 0$. Therefore we can choose a subsequence x_{n_k} such that $r(|x_{n_k} - x|, 0) < \frac{1}{k^3}$. It follows that the series $\sum k|x_{n_k} - x|$ metric-converges. Denoting

its sum by z , we have $|x_{n_k} - x| \leq \frac{1}{k} z \leq \frac{1}{k} h$, $h \in H$, since K is closed and

denoting $x_{n_k} - \frac{1}{k} h$ by z_{n_k} , we have that $|z_{n_k} - x| \leq \frac{2}{k} h$, $z_{n_k} \leq x$.

Thus there exist sequences z_n and u_n such that the following set equality holds:

$$X = \bigcup_{u_n} \bigcap_k \bigcup_{x_k} \left\{ x; |x - x_k| \leq \frac{1}{k} u_n \right\} - \\ - \bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{i=1}^{k-1} \left\{ x; |x - x_i| \leq \frac{1}{k} u_m \right\}.$$

We define the countably-valued functions T_k as follows

$$T_k(x) = x_1 \quad \text{if } x \in \bigcup_{u_n} \left\{ x; |x - x_1| \leq \frac{1}{k} u_n \right\} \quad \text{and}$$

$$T_k(x) = x_s \quad \text{if } x \in \bigcup_{u_n} \left\{ x; |x - x_s| \leq \frac{1}{k} u_n \right\} - \\ - \bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{i=1}^{s-1} \left\{ x; |x - x_i| \leq \frac{1}{k} u_m \right\}.$$

Then we put

$$T_1^*(x) = T_1(x), \quad T_k^*(x) = T_{k-1}^*(x) \vee T_k(x).$$

The next example shows that the continuity of the mapping $x \rightarrow x^+$ at 0 does not imply, by itself, the normality of the corresponding cone.

Example 2. Consider the space l ordered by the partial sum cone P_s with the norm $\|x\| = \sum |x_n|$. P_s is not normal with respect to this norm, since

$$x_n = e_1 - \frac{1}{2} e_2 + \frac{1}{3} e_3 - \dots \pm \frac{1}{n} e_n$$

and

$$y_n = \frac{1}{2} e_2 - \frac{1}{3} e_3 + \dots \mp \frac{1}{n} e_n$$

belong to P_s and we have $\|x_n + y_n\| = \|e_1\| = 1$, but

$$\|x_n\| = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}, \quad \|y_n\| = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}.$$

We show now that $x \rightarrow x^+$ is continuous for all x . Given $c > 0$, there exists N such that $|x_r| < c$ for $r > N$. Consider $y \in l$ such that $\|y - x\| \leq \frac{c}{N}$. Define $X_r = x_1 + \dots + x_r$, $X_0 = 0$ and $Y_r = y_1 + \dots + y_r$, $Y_0 = 0$. We have $x^+ = \{a_r\}$, $y^+ = \{b_r\}$, where $a_r = X_r^+ - X_{r-1}^+$, $b_r = Y_r^+ - Y_{r-1}^+$. It follows that

$$\|y^+ - x^+\| = \sum |b_r - a_r| \leq 2 \sum_{r=1}^{N-1} |Y_r - X_r| + \sum_{r=N}^{\infty} |b_r - a_r|.$$

From this we obtain

$$\sum_1^{N-1} |Y_r - X_r| \leq \sum_1^{N-1} \sum_1^r |y_i - x_i| \leq c$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_N^{\infty} |b_r - a_r| &\leq \sum_N^{\infty} |b_r| + \sum_N^{\infty} |a_r| \leq \sum_N^{\infty} |y_r| + \sum_N^{\infty} |x_r| \\ \sum_N^{\infty} |y_r - x_r| + 2 \sum_N^{\infty} |x_r| &\leq 3c, \text{ i.e. } \|y^+ - x^+\| \leq 5c. \end{aligned}$$

In the converse direction we can prove the following

Proposition 2.2. *Let X be a separable locally convex metrizable linear space with a closed ordering. Let a countable set exhaust the cone. Let $x_n \xrightarrow{o} x$ imply $T(x_n) \rightarrow T(x)$ for every $T \in X^*$. Then the uniform o -limit of every sequence of random elements is a random element.*

Proof. Since every closed set C in X can be written in the form $C = \bigcap_p \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ x; |x - x_n|_p \leq \frac{1}{p} \right\}$, where $\{p\}$ is an increasing sequence of seminorms in X , we may restrict our attention to convex closed sets. For such a set C we have

$$V^{-1}(C) = \bigcup \bigcap V_n^{-1} \{x; |x - x_n| \leq o_n\} \\ \{o_n\} \in B \text{ n } x_n \in C$$

both B and $\{x_n\}$ countable subsets of the set of all sequences o -converging to 0 and C respectively.

Indeed the right-hand side of the equality implies that a sequence $x_n \in C$ w -converges to $V(\omega)$, i.e. that $V(\omega)$ belongs to the weak closure of C and hence to the closure of C .

Proposition 2.3. *Let X be a separable locally convex metrizable linear space with a cone K such that X^* has a countable basis. Let $x_n \xrightarrow{o} x$ imply $T(x_n) \rightarrow T(x)$ for every $T \in X^*$. If $V_n(\omega) \rightarrow V(\omega)$ for every $\omega \in \Omega$, V_n random elements, then V is a random element.*

Proof.

$$V^{-1}(C) = \bigcap \bigcup \bigcap V_n^{-1} \{x; |T(x) - T(x_n)| \leq a_n\}, \\ \text{n } x_n \in C \text{ T} \in B \{a_n\} \in A$$

$\{x_n\}$, B , A countable subsets of C , X^* and the set of all null sequences, respectively.

Proposition 2.4. *Let X be a separable locally bounded locally convex metrizable linear space, X^* be separable in the strong topology. Let $x_n \xrightarrow{o} x$ imply $T(x_n) \rightarrow T(x)$ for every $T \in X^*$. If $V_n(\omega) \rightarrow V(\omega)$ for every $\omega \in \Omega$, $\{V_n\}$ a sequence of random elements, then V is a random element.*

Proof.

$$V^{-1}(C) = \bigcup \bigcap \bigcap V_n^{-1} \{x; |T(x) - T(x_n)| \leq a_n\}, \\ O \subset C \text{ n } x_n \in A \text{ T} \in D \{a_n\} \in E \\ O \in B$$

B a countable set of bounded subsets of C ; A , D , E countable subsets of C , X and the set of all sequences converging to 0, respectively.

III.

Consider now spaces with the following properties (which we refer to as (A) and (B), respectively):

(A) X is a locally convex space with an ordering given by a closed cone such that

$x_n \xrightarrow{o} x$ implies $Tx_n \rightarrow Tx$ for every $T \in X^*$.

(B) X is a vector lattice regularly ordered by a cone such that every o -bounded linear functional is o -continuous.

Definition 3.1. Let (Ω, S, P) be a probability space, X be a Dedekind σ -complete vector lattice ordered by a cone such that either (A) or (B) holds. A random variable $f: \Omega \rightarrow X$ is called integrable if there exist an increasing sequence $\{f_n\}$ of elementary integrable random variables, such that $f_n \uparrow f$ and a decreasing sequence $\{g_n\}$ of elementary integrable random variables such that $g_n \downarrow f$, both with uniformly bounded integrals. The integral of f is defined by $\int f \, dP = \lim_n \int f_n \, dP$.

This definition is justified, since one can show that the value of integral does not depend on the choice of the sequence $\{f_n\}$ and the sequence $\{g_n\}$.

It is easy to show that the integral just defined is a monotone linear operator on the set of all integrable functions. It also has the property that the absolute value of an integrable function as well as its positive and negative parts are integrable.

Theorem 3.1. Let (Ω, S, P) be a probability space, X be a Dedekind σ -complete vector lattice ordered by a cone such that either (A) or (B) holds. If $\{f_n\}$ is an increasing sequence of integrable random variables which converges to a function f bounded from above by an integrable random variable and such that $\lim \int f_n \, dP$ exists, then f is integrable and $\int f \, dP = \lim_n \int f_n \, dP$.

Proof. For each n there is an increasing sequence $\{u_{ni}\}$ of elementary integrable random variables such that $|u_{ni} - f_n| \leq z_{ni}$, $\inf_i z_{ni} = 0$. Define $u_n = \sup_{k \leq n} u_{kn}$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq f - u_n &\leq \inf_{k \leq n} |f - u_{kn}| \leq \inf_{k \leq n} \{|f - f_k| + |f_k - u_{kn}|\} \leq \\ &\leq \inf_{k \leq n} \{z_{kn} + o_k\} = w_n \end{aligned}$$

and it is immediately that $\inf_n w_n = 0$. The rest of the proof follows easily.

Theorem 3.2. If f_n is a sequence of integrable functions which converges to a function f such that $\lim \int f_n$ exists and if g is an integrable function such that $|f_n| \leq g$ for every n , then f is integrable and $\int f \, dP = \lim_n \int f_n \, dP$.

Theorem 3.3. Let g and h be integrable functions and let f_n be a sequence of integrable functions such that $f_n \geq g$ resp. $f_n \leq h$. Then, if $\lim \inf \int f_n \, dP < \infty$, the function $\lim \inf f_n$ is integrable and $\int \lim \inf f_n \, dP \leq \lim \inf \int f_n \, dP$; resp. if $\lim \sup \int f_n \, dP > -\infty$, the function $\lim \sup f_n$ is integrable and $\int \lim \sup f_n \, dP \geq \lim \sup \int f_n \, dP$.

At the end of this paper we give the outline of two other possible approaches to the problem we are dealing with.

Definition 3.2. Let the assumptions be as above; a random variable f is said to be integrable if there exist a sequence $\{f_n\}$ of elementary integrable random variables and a sequence $\{g_n\}$ of elementary integrable random variables such that $g_n \downarrow 0$ and $|f_n - f| \leq g_n$. The integral of f is defined by $\int f \, dP = \lim_n \int f_n \, dP$.

This definition is justified, since a sequence x_n in a Dedekind σ -complete vector lattice σ -converges iff the double sequence $|x_m - x_n|$ σ -converges to 0.

We present now an analogue of theorem 3.1.

Theorem 3.4. Let (Ω, S, P) be a probability space, X be a Dedekind σ -complete vector lattice such that either (A) or (B) holds. If a sequence $\{f_n\}$ of integrable random variables converges to a random variable f , i.e. $|f_n - f| \leq o_n$, $\{o_n\}$ a sequence of elementary integrable random variables which converges to 0, then f is integrable and $\int f \, dP = \lim_n \int f_n \, dP$.

There is another way how to define the integral of a random variable. Following an idea of Bochner, we introduce the next

Definition 3.3. Let the assumptions be as above, a random variable f is called integrable if a sequence $\{f_n\}$ of elementary integrable random variables such that $\lim \int f_n \, dP$ exists, tends to f in order and if, moreover, $T|f_n| \leq T|f|$, for every linear functional mentioned in (A) and (B), respectively. Then we define $\int f \, dP = \lim_n \int f_n \, dP$.

One can easily show, by using the method of theorems 1.1. and 1.4. that this definition is justified. Similarly we can prove the analogues of theorems 3.1., 3.2. and 3.3.

Remark. It should be emphasized that there are several papers discussing similar problems, however, from other points of view. Among them the most interesting seem to be papers [7], [8], [9].

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О СЛУЧАЙНЫХ ВЕЛИЧИНАХ С ЗНАЧЕНИЯМИ В НЕКОТОРОЙ ВЕКТОРНОЙ РЕШЕТКЕ

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Резюме

Функция f , определенная на вероятностном пространстве (ψ, S, P) со значениями в некоторой векторной решетке называется элементарной случайной величиной, если существует полная счетная система попарно непересекающихся событий такая, что f постоянна на всяком элементе системы. Элементарная случайная величина называется интегрируемой, если естественным способом определенный ряд абсолютно сходится по упорядочению. Сумма ряда называется интегралом от f .

В первой части работы приводятся достаточные условия, при которых выше определенный интеграл является непрерывным линейным оператором. Во второй части вводится понятие случайной величины как порядкового предела двух последовательностей – возрастающей и убывающей – элементарных случайных величин. В последней части излагается теория интеграла и доказываются некоторые классические результаты.