
Four steps to Kurzweil's integral

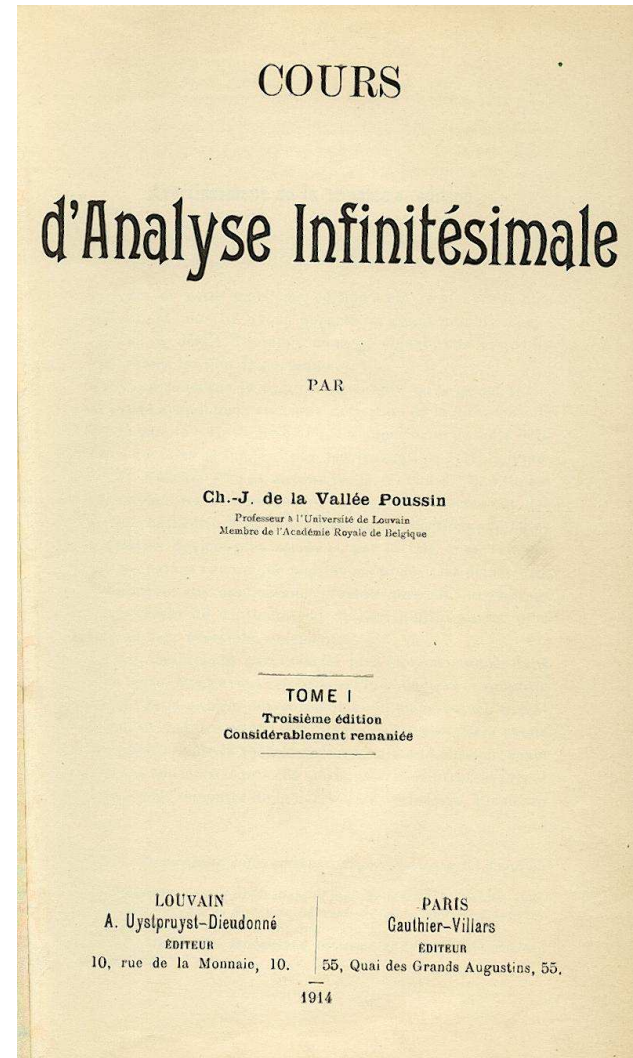
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Charles-Jean de La Vallée Poussin



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 - *If the derivative function $f'(x)$ is not bounded, passing to the primitive function requires more delicate reasonings. The fundamental theorems have been obtained by M. Lebesgue, but we will adopt to obtain them a procedure which is different from his one, that we have introduced in the previous edition of this course and that we will make a little more precise in this one. This procedure consists in constructing, as we will do it, auxiliary functions whose derivatives satisfy everywhere some inequality conditions*

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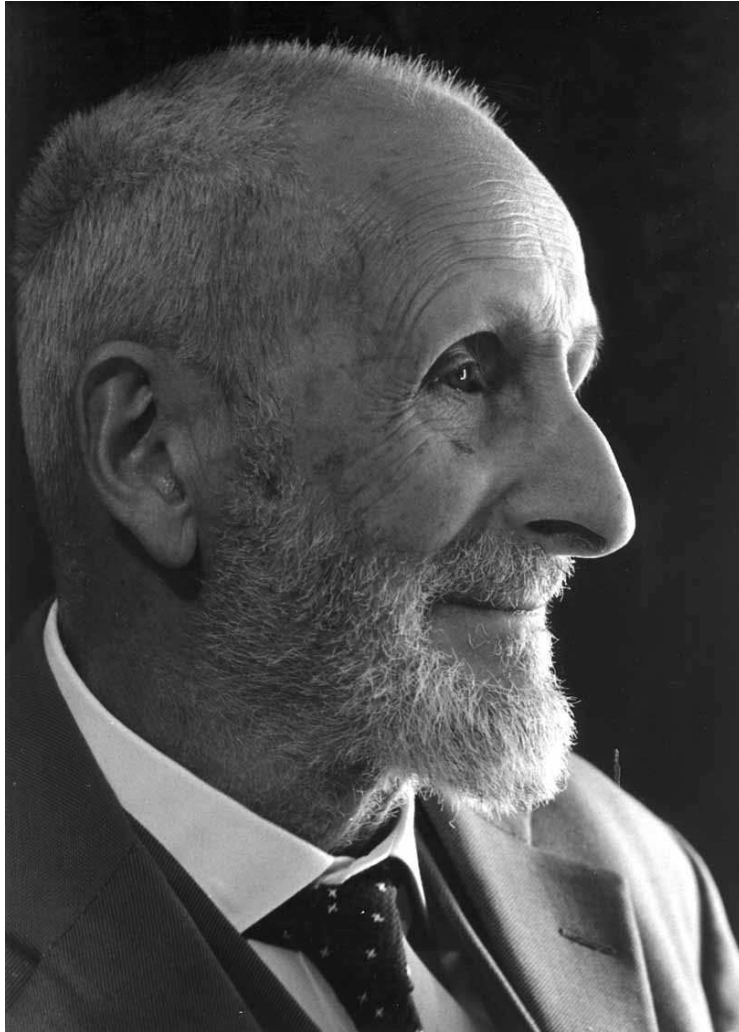
● $g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is **absolutely continuous** if

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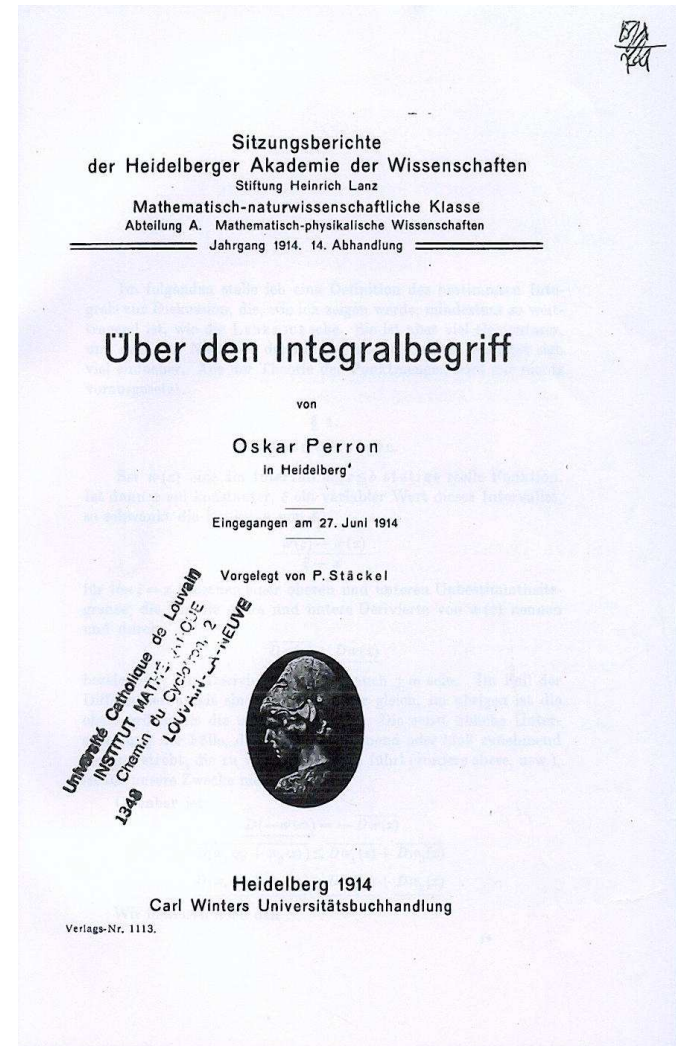
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- **thm** : $\forall f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ L-integrable on $[a, b]$, $\forall \varepsilon > 0$,
 \exists absolutely continuous functions $F_+, F_- : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with
 $F_+(a) = F_-(a) = 0$, such that, $\forall x \in [a, b]$,
 1. $\underline{D}F_+(x) \geq f(x)$, $\overline{D}F_-(x) \leq f(x)$, when $f(x)$ is finite
 2. $F_-(x) \leq (L) \int_a^x f \leq F_+(x)$
 3. $F_+(x) - \varepsilon < (L) \int_a^x f < F_-(x) + \varepsilon$
- F_+ (resp. F_-) is called a **major function (fonction majorante)**
(resp. **minor function (fonction minorante)**) of f on $[a, b]$

Oskar Perron



(1880-1975)



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- $\mathcal{P}_-(f)$ (resp. $\mathcal{P}_+(f)$) : set of Perron minor functions (resp. Perron major functions) of f on $[a, b]$
 - $\mathcal{P}_-(f)$ and $\mathcal{P}_+(f)$ are nonempty if f is e.g. bounded on $[a, b]$

Lower and upper P-integrals

- **lower P-integral of f on $[a, b]$:**

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- **lemma :** $(P) \int_a^b f \leq (P) \overline{\int}_a^b f$; proof based upon

- **lemma :** if $g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and if $\exists C \in \mathbb{R} : \forall x \in [a, b] : \overline{D}g(x) \leq C$,
then $\forall y \neq z \in [a, b] : \frac{g(y) - g(z)}{y - z} \leq C$

and corresponding one for $\underline{D}g$; lemma proved, by contradiction,
using Weierstrass thm on achieved bounds

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 - f *primitivable* on $[a, b]$ with primitive F
$$\Rightarrow f \in P[a, b] \text{ and } (P) \int_a^b f = F(b) - F(a)$$
 - $f \in R[a, b] \Rightarrow f \in P[a, b]$, with the same integral
 - $f \in L[a, b] \Rightarrow f \in P[a, b]$, with the same integral :

Indeed, although naturally under another formulation, this theorem has already been proved by M. de la Vallée Poussin in his Cours d'analyse infinitésimale. What follows is, in its principle, a reproduction of his reasoning

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The Perron-Stieltjes Integral.

By

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Considerable attention has been given to the question of integration with respect to a function; various authors have shown how to define an integral which generalises the Stieltjes integral in the same way as Lebesgue generalised the ordinary integral. The Lebesgue-Stieltjes integral, however, is by its very nature restricted to the case in which the integrating function is of bounded variation, while the ordinary Stieltjes integral has no such limitation. An integral which includes both these (Riemann-Stieltjes and Lebesgue-Stieltjes) is therefore not without interest. Such an integral may be obtained by applying the methods of Perron¹⁾. It is interesting also on account of its close connection with differentiation.

In the first section of this paper I give definitions of differentiation with respect to a function. It is shown that the theorem, due to Denjoy²⁾, which governs the possible values of the derivatives of a function, can be extended to the case when the base-function is VBG^* on the set of points considered³⁾. It seems likely that the class of functions VBG^* on a given set of points is the most general class for which it is profitable to define derivatives, and it is noteworthy that the same class of functions proves to be of importance for the theory of the Perron-Stieltjes integral. The second chapter is devoted to the definition and simple properties of the integral. Finally, I consider the case of a base-function which is VBG^* , and give the analogue of the theorem which states that every function ACG^* in an interval is the Perron integral of its derivative, and conversely⁴⁾.

¹⁾ Other authors have defined a Perron-Stieltjes integral with respect to functions of bounded variation; see R. L. Jeffery, *Trans. American Math. Soc.* **64** (1932), S. 646; J. Ridder, *Math. Zeitschr.* **40** (1935), S. 127. The definitions employed are not applicable to general base-functions. (The present work was carried out independently of the work of Ridder, and in some places conventions are used which are different from his.)

²⁾ A. Denjoy, *Journal de Math.* (1915) S. 105–240, especially S. 190–192.

³⁾ S. Saks, *Théorie de l'Intégrale* (Warsaw 1933), S. 158 ff. The definitions are reproduced here for completeness. See Nr. 1.

⁴⁾ Saks, loc. cit. S. 198, 216.

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at each point of E_n , except possibly the extreme points. By Theorem 1, both $D(f, x; \chi_n)$ and $D(\varphi, x; \chi_n)$ exist and are finite except in a set N_n such that $m \chi_n(N_n) = 0$. The argument now proceeds as in Theorem 2. We observe that at a point where $D(f, x; \chi_n)$ and $D(\varphi, x; \chi_n)$ both exist and $D(\varphi, x; \chi_n) \neq 0$, both $D(f, x; \varphi)$ and $d f(x)/d \varphi(x)$ must exist (and be equal).

The corollary follows at once from lemma 4.

2. The Perron-Stieltjes Integral.

The Perron integral is defined by means of major and minor functions, which in turn are usually defined by inequalities relating to derivatives¹⁴⁾. There would be obvious difficulties in extending such a definition to the case of integrals with respect to a general function $\varphi(x)$, which may attain the same value at an infinite set of points. For this reason we define the Perron-Stieltjes integral by means of inequalities concerning the increments $M(x+h) - M(x)$, $\varphi(x+h) - \varphi(x)$ directly, and not in terms of the derivatives of M with respect to φ . The resulting integral is found to include the ordinary Stieltjes integral, whether $\varphi(x)$ is of bounded variation or not. It also includes the Lebesgue-Stieltjes integral with respect to an increasing function; but it does not include the 'Lebesgue-Stieltjes' integral with respect to a function of bounded variation (defined by Mlle N. Bary and Menchoff), which may exist in an interval (a, b) without existing in a smaller interval (a, x) ¹⁵⁾.

2.1. Given any functions $f(x)$, $\varphi(x)$ we say that $M(x)$ is a major function of $f(x)$ with respect to $\varphi(x)$ if $M(a) = 0$, and for any point x of (a, b) there exists $\delta(x) > 0$ such that

$$(5) \quad M(\xi) \geq M(x) + f(x) \{ \varphi(\xi) - \varphi(x) \} \quad \text{if } 0 \leq \xi - x \leq \delta(x),$$

$$(6) \quad M(\xi) \leq M(x) + f(x) \{ \varphi(\xi) - \varphi(x) \} \quad \text{if } 0 \geq \xi - x \geq -\delta(x).$$

(If x is equal to a or b , we consider only the one inequality which is appropriate.)

The upper Perron-Stieltjes integral of $f(x)$ with respect to $\varphi(x)$ is defined as

$$(PS) \int_a^b f(x) d\varphi(x) = \underline{\text{bound}} M(b) \quad (\text{all major functions})$$

if finite major functions exist; otherwise we write $+\infty$ for the value of the upper integral.

¹⁴⁾ Ridder (loc. cit.) applies the same method in defining his Perron-Stieltjes integral.

¹⁵⁾ N. Bary and D. Menchoff, *Ann. Mat. pura appl.* (4) (1928), S. 19–54.

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- $f, \varphi : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, W_{\pm} : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, W_-(a) = W_+(a) = 0$
- W_- is a **Ward minor function** of f with respect to φ on $[a, b]$ if $\forall x \in [a, b], \exists \delta(x) > 0, \forall y \in [x - \delta(x), x + \delta(x)] \cap [a, b] :$
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- apparition of the concept of **gauge** $\delta : [a, b] \rightarrow (0, +\infty)$
(was hidden in the definition of $\underline{D}, \overline{D}$ in Perron's definition)
- $\mathcal{W}_-(f, \varphi)$ (resp. $\mathcal{W}_+(f, \varphi)$) : set of Ward minor functions
(resp. Ward major functions) of f with respect to φ on $[a, b]$

Lower and upper W-integrals

- **W-lower integral** of f with respect to φ on $[a, b]$:

$$(W) \underline{\int_a^b} f d\varphi := \sup_{W_- \in \mathcal{W}_-(f, \varphi)} W_-(b) \text{ if } \mathcal{W}_-(f, \varphi) \neq \emptyset$$

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proof analogous to the case of Perron's integral

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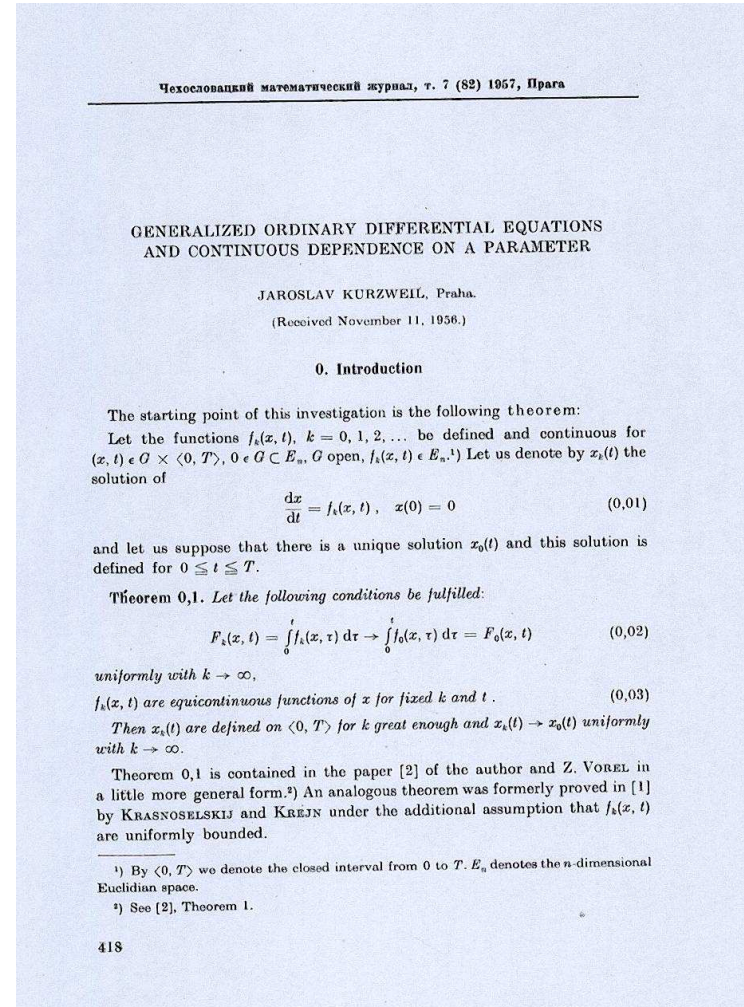
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 - $f \in P[a, b]$
 $\Leftrightarrow f dI \in W[a, b]$, and $(W) \int_a^b f dI = (P) \int_a^b f$
 - S = Stieltjes, PS = Pollard-Stieltjes, LS = Lebesgue-Stieltjes
 - $f d\varphi \in S[a, b]$ or $f d\varphi \in PS[a, b]$
 $\Rightarrow f \in W[a, b]$ with the same integral
 - $\varphi \in BV[a, b]$ and $f d\varphi \in LS[a, b]$
 $\Rightarrow f \in W[a, b]$, with related integrals

Jaroslav Kurzweil



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1957

Generalizing averaging method

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$$= F(u(x), y) - F(u(x), x)$$
- suggests to associate an integral to functions of two variables
 - $U : [a, b] \times [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, (x, y) \mapsto U(x, y)$
 - P-integral : $U(x, y) = f(x)y$
 - W-integral : $U(x, y) = f(x)\varphi(y)$

Kurzweil minor and major functions

- $U : [a, b] \times [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- $V_- : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a **Kurzweil minor function** of U on $[a, b]$ if
 $\forall x \in [a, b], \exists \delta(x) > 0, \forall y \in [x - \delta(x), x + \delta(x)] \cap [a, b] :$
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- $\mathcal{K}_-(U) : \text{set of Kurzweil minor functions of } U \text{ on } [a, b]$
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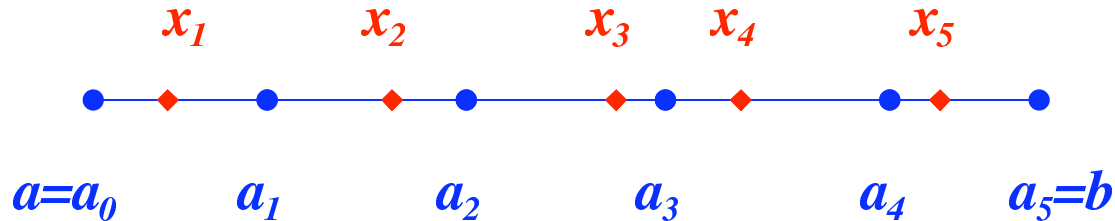
- **lemma** : if $\mathcal{K}_-(U)$ and $\mathcal{K}_+(U)$ are non empty, then

$$(KW) \int_a^b DU \leq (KW) \overline{\int}_a^b DU$$

- with respect to PERRON and WARD, KURZWEIL introduced a **new technique** to prove this lemma

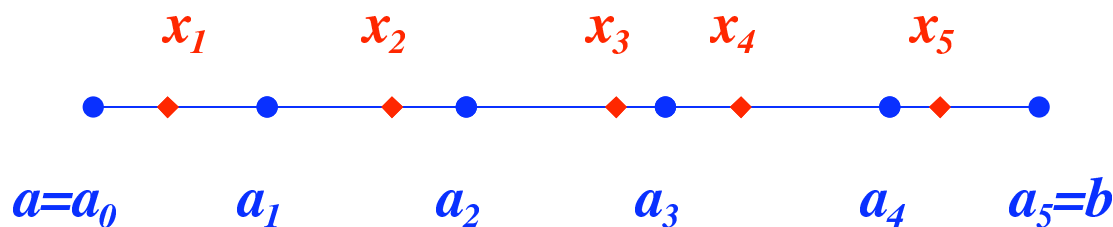
Subdivision subordinate to a gauge

- let $\delta : [a, b] \rightarrow (0, +\infty)$ be a gauge on $[a, b]$
- $\mathcal{S} = \{(a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{m-1}, a_m; x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) :$
 $a = a_0 < a_1 < \dots < a_m = b, a_{j-1} \leq x_j \leq a_j (1 \leq j \leq m)\}$
is a (Riemann) **subdivision of $[a, b]$ subordinate to δ** if
 $\forall j = 1, 2, \dots, m : [a_{j-1}, a_j] \subset [x_j - \delta(x_j), x_j + \delta(x_j)]$



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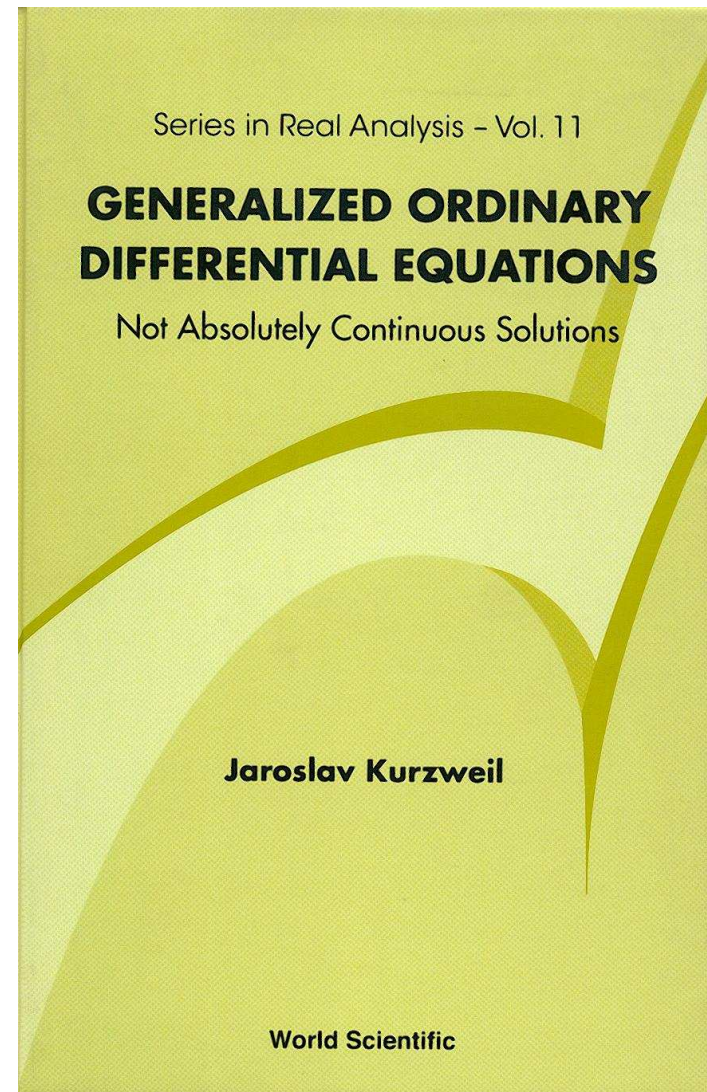
A most fruitful integral

- the KS-integral is nowadays a widely used tool known under the names of **generalized Perron, S-, sum-, Riemann-complete, Kurzweil, Kurzweil-Stieltjes, Henstock, Kurzweil-Henstock, Henstock-Kurzweil, generalized Riemann, Riemann-type, gauge integral,...**
- it has inspired many variants and generalizations
- it has completely changed the picture of real analysis in the second half of XXth century
- it has provided striking applications in differential and integral equations, harmonic analysis, probability theory and quantum mechanics
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- it has been the subject of more than 50 monographs

Two books to read



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Kurzweil's integral has surpassed
de La Vallée Poussin and Perron's ones.

I wish to Jaroslav also to surpass
La Vallée Poussin and Perron in longevity !

Happy 90th birthday anniversary
on behalve of all your Belgian friends !