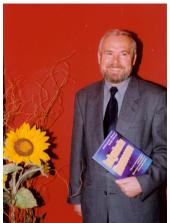
#### Stochastic Methods in Science and Technology

#### 40 YEARS WENT BY: Professor Aleksander Weron and his scientific life

Wrocław, Poland, 06.12.2008



- Born: December 4, 1945, Zalesie-Rzeszów, Poland
- Author of more than 100 publications
- Co-author of 3 monographs: "Stable Processes" 1994, "Financial Engineering" 1998, "Power Exchange: Risk Management Strategies" 2000
- Editor or co-editor of 6 other books
- Invited Speaker in about 35 international conferences



Supervisor of 16 Ph.D. theses:

- 1. Andrzej Makagon: "Infinite dimensional stationary processes with values in Banach spaces", January 1979.
- 2. Zdzisław Suchanecki: "Cylindrical processes in locally convex spaces", September 1980.
- 3. Jolanta Misiewicz: "Eliptically contoured measures", May 1981.
- 4. Grażyna Hajduk-Chmielewska: "Spectral properties of Banach space valued second–order processes", October 1988.



- 5. Piotr Kokoszka: "Sample path properties of infinitely-divisible processes", June 1990.
- 6. Krzysztof Podgórski: "Ergodic properties of stable stationary processes", June 1991.
- 7. Zbigniew Michna: "Stable diffusion approximations in collective risk theory", September 1996.
- 8. Aleksander Rejman: "Stochastic modeling and simulation of market securities under  $\alpha$ -stable hypothesis", September 1997.
- 9. Joanna Nowicka-Zagrajek: "Analysis of measures of dependence for time series with  $\alpha$ -stable innovations", December 1998.
- 10. Krzysztof Burnecki: "Self-similar models in risk theory", January 1999.

- 11. Piotr Sztuba: "Stochastic approach to derivative pricing in the HJM framework", May 2002.
- 12. Agnieszka Wyłomańska: "Analysis of ARMA models with varying coefficients", September 2006.
- 13. Magdalena Borgosz-Koczwara: "Modeling optimal strategies in the electricity market", November 2006.
- 14. Jan Iwanik: "Financial engineering methods in insurance", December 2006.
- 15. Paweł Miśta: "Analytical and numerical approach to corporate operational risk modeling", March 2007.
- 16. Marcin Magdziarz: "Dependence structure for solutions of fractional differential equations with  $\alpha$ -stable noise", September 2007

# Member of

- American Finance Association
- Bachelior Finance Society
- Bernoulli Society
- CIGRE
- Polish Mathematical Society



Member of Editorial Commitees of

- textbook series BIBLIOTEKA MATEMATYCZNA, PWN, Warsaw, 1982-1992
- textbook series MODERN PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS, VSP, Utrecht, 1999-2002
- journals Probability and Mathematical Statistics, Applicationes Mathematicae, Quality Technology and Quantitative Management and Rynek Terminowy

- 1979 Mazurkiewicz Prize of the Polish Mathematical Society
- 1996 Steinhaus Prize of the Polish Mathematical Society
- 1995-96 Senior Research Fellowship under the Fulbright Program
- 1998 ATENA Prize for the best textbook in finance (*Financial Engineering*), WNT Warsaw
- 2008 Hugo Steinhaus Research Award of the Rector of Wrocław University of Technology

#### THE BEGINNINGS ...



# Polish Student Seminar on Topology Toruń, 26.03.1966



#### Math studies at University of Wrocław



1968 M. Sc., University of Wrocław Master Thesis in Topology Supervisor: Prof. Bronisław Knaster





1968 - 1970 Assistant at Technical University of Wrocław

1970 - 1973 Senior Assistant at TUW
1972 Ph. D., TUW
"Interpolation of multivariate stationary processes and fields"
(Probability Theory)
Supervisor: Prof. Stanisław Gładysz





## 1972/73 Post-Doc at Tbilisi University in Georgia







Cooperation with Prof. Nicholas N. Vakhania and Prof. Sergei A. Chobanyan RESEARCH AREA: Probability in Banach spaces

1973-1977 Assistant Professor at Technical University of Wrocław

1977 D. Sc. (habilitation) Institute of Mathematics, Polish Academy of Science, Warsaw "Dilation theory for operator-valued functions and processes in Banach spaces" (Functional Analysis)

Referees: Prof. Ryszard Jajte, Prof. Włodzimierz Mlak, Prof. Czesław Ryll-Nardzewski

1977-1983 Associate Professor at TUW

1983 Professor Title from the President of People's State Council

Since 1985 Professor at TUW

# 70's/80's Research area:

- Probability theory on vector spaces
- Gaussian and stable measures



### 1977 - 1987

Organizer of 4 International Conferences on Probability Theory on Vector Spaces 1982/83 Visiting Research Professor at University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Center for Stochastic Processes RESEARCH AREA:

- Stable processes
- Ergodic theory for stable processes
- Wald decomposition
- Prediction theory

Cooperation with Prof. Stamatis Cambanis and Dr. Clyde D. Hardin jr.





1983/84 Visiting Associate Professor at Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge

Cooperation with Prof. R. Rajagopal RESEARCH AREA: Statistical Physics I

- Irreversibility of physical processes
- Decay theory
- Relaxation theory



Cooperation with

Prof. Ilya Prigogine

(Nobel Prize winner in Chemistry, 1977) Solvay Institutes for Physics and Chemistry, Brussels



1987-1990 Dean of the PPT Faculty, Technical University of Wrocław

- 1986 New curriculum MATHEMATICAL INFORMATICS jointly with Prof. Tomasz Byczkowski and Prof. Anzelm Iwanik
- 1988 Studium Talent





# Since 1990 Director of the Hugo Steinhaus Center





# 2002 - The Hugo Steinhaus Year

1994 New curriculum FINANCIAL AND ACTUARIAL MATHEMATICS PPT Faculty, Technical University of Wrocław





WITH STUDENTS...

# 1995/96 Fulbright Senior Research Scholar, University of California, Santa Barbara, LA



RESEARCH AREA: Financial Engineering



Cooperation with: Prof. Harry M. Markowitz, UCLA (Nobel Prize winner in Economics, 1990) Prof. Robert F. Engle, UCSD (Nobel Prize winner in Economics, 2003) Prof. Paul Embrechts, ETH Zurich Prof. Svetlozar T. Rachev, UCSB Cooperation with the Energy Sector:

- 1994 2006 IASE
- 2000 Polish Power Exchange



• 1999 - 2000 Advisor to Jerzy Steinhoff, Minister of Economy, Poland

2005 Advisor to the Rector of Wrocław University of Technology, Prof. Tadeusz Luty, on the European Institute of Technology (EIT) 2006/07 New curriculum (jointly with Prof. Wojciech Okrasiński) EUROPEAN MASTERS EDUCATION IN INDUSTRIAL MATHEMATICS PPT Faculty, Wrocław University of Technology





# Since 2004 RESEARCH AREA: Statistical Physics II

- Fractional Fokker-Planck Equation
- Subordinated Langevin Equation
- Anomalous Diffusion

21st Marian Smoluchowski Symposium





Co-organizer of Smoluchowski Symposia on Statistical Physics (jointly with Prof. Ewa Gudowska-Nowak, UJ)





# **Statistical Physics II**







Cooperation with Prof. Joseph Klafter Prof. Igor Sokolov Prof. Ralph Metzler Prof. Karina Weron



MAIN RESULTS (JOINTLY WITH DR. MARCIN MAGDZIARZ):

- Equivalence between fractional Fokker-Planck equations and subordinated Langevin equations
- Fundamental theorem of anomalous diffusion:

Anomalous diffusion can be embedded in Brownian diffusion iff it is a semimartingale



2008 NEW RESEARCH PLANS: Complexity of climate processes

> Cooperation with Dr. Nicholas Watkins BAS – British Antarctic Survey, Cambridge





# FAMILY...







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