

# A categorical proof of the Carathéodory extension theorem

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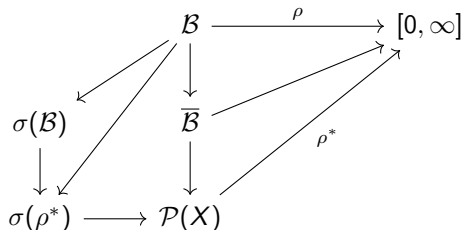
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# Overview

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There are inclusion functors

$$[H, G] \rightarrow \mathbf{Lax}_{\Sigma}[H, G] \rightarrow \mathbf{Lax}[H, G].$$

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$[\mathbf{PartMble}(X, i-), G] \simeq M(X, \mathcal{S})$  and  $\text{La}_{X\Sigma}[\mathbf{PartMble}(X, i-), G] \simeq M_{\text{out}}(X, \mathcal{S})$

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In this case the colimit is calculated 'pointwise':

$$(\text{colim}_i \sigma^i)_A(x) = \text{colim}_i (\sigma_A^i(x)),$$

for  $A \in \mathcal{C}$  and  $x \in HA$ .



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Suppose the conditions of the theorem are satisfied.

### Corollary

If  $GA$  has colimits of shape  $I$ , then  $[H, G]$  has colimits of shape  $I$  and

$$\operatorname{colim}_{[H, G]} \sigma_i \simeq \overline{\operatorname{colim}_{\operatorname{Lax}[H, G]} \sigma_i}.$$

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Remark: We find a similar result for premeasures.

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we are looking for the right Kan extension

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Suppose all categories are small. Suppose  $GA$  is cocomplete for all  $A$  and  $Gf$  is cocontinuous for all  $f \in \Sigma$ , then

$$\text{Lax}_{\Sigma}[H, G] \xrightarrow{-\circ\kappa} \text{Lax}_{\Sigma}[F, G]$$

has a right adjoint.

Let  $(X, \mathcal{B})$  be a premeasurable space and let  $F_{\mathcal{B}}$  and  $F_{\sigma(\mathcal{B})}$  as in the example of outer measures. There is a natural transformation  $\kappa : F_{\mathcal{B}} \rightarrow F_{\sigma(\mathcal{B})}$ .

## Corollary

The restriction  $M_{\text{out}}(X, \sigma(\mathcal{B})) \rightarrow M_{\text{out}}(X, \mathcal{B})$ . has a right adjoint  $(-)^*$ .  
Furthermore,

$$\rho^* \upharpoonright_{\mathcal{B}} = \rho.$$

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If  $\alpha$  is an isomorphism, then the right adjoint  $(-)^*$  can be lifted to a right adjoint for  $[H, G] \xrightarrow{-\circ\kappa} [F, G]$ .

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## Proof.

We need to show that  $\alpha$  is an isomorphism.

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This requires some measure theory. □

## Theorem (Carathéodory extension theorem)

Every premeasure  $\rho$  can be extended to a measure.

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- Under certain conditions, we can Kan extend  $\Sigma$ -lax transformations.
  - ▶ We can extend (outer) premeasures on  $\mathcal{B}$  to (outer) measures on  $\sigma(\mathcal{B})$  (Carathéodory).