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ON EXTENSION OF SUBMEASURES

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Let \mathcal{R} be a ring of subsets of a non-empty set T . According to Definition 1 in [1] we say that a set function $\mu: \mathcal{R} \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ is a submeasure if it is 1) monotone, 2) continuous: $A_n \in \mathcal{R}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$, and $A_n \searrow \emptyset$ implies $\mu(A_n) \rightarrow 0$, and subadditively continuous: For every $A \in \mathcal{R}$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ there is a $\delta > 0$ such that $B \in \mathcal{R}$ and $\mu(B) < \delta$ implies $\mu(A) - \varepsilon \leq \mu(A - B) \leq \mu(A) \leq \mu(A \cup B) \leq \mu(A) + \varepsilon$. If the δ in condition 3) is uniform with respect to $A \in \mathcal{R}$, then we say that μ is a uniform submeasure. It is easy to verify, see page 68 in [2], that subadditive continuity is equivalent to the following property 3)*: If $A, A_n \in \mathcal{R}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$ and $\mu(A \Delta A_n) \rightarrow 0$, then $\mu(A_n) \rightarrow \mu(A)$. Similarly, the uniform subadditive continuity is equivalent to the following one: 3u)*: for each $\varepsilon > 0$ there is a $\delta > 0$ such that $A, B \in \mathcal{R}$ and $\mu(A \Delta B) < \delta \Rightarrow |\mu(A) - \mu(B)| < \varepsilon$. If instead of 3) we have $\mu(A \cup B) \leq \mu(A) + \mu(B)$ for every $A, B \in \mathcal{R}$, or $\mu(A \cup B) = \mu(A) + \mu(B)$ for every $A, B \in \mathcal{R}$, $A \cap B = \emptyset$, then we say that μ is a subadditive or an additive submeasure, respectively. Obviously subadditive, and particularly additive submeasures (i.e., countable additive measures) are uniform.

We say that a set function $\mu: \mathcal{R} \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$ is exhaustive if $\mu(A_n) \rightarrow 0$ for each infinite sequence $A_n \in \mathcal{R}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$ of pairwise disjoint sets. In Theorem 18 in [1] we proved, see also [3] for another proof, that a uniform, subadditive or additive submeasure $\mu: \mathcal{R} \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ has a unique extension of the same type to $\sigma(\mathcal{R})$ – the σ -ring generated by \mathcal{R} , if and only if it is exhaustive. Two additional, rather clumsy, conditions were needed to obtain the extension theorem for non-uniform submeasures. In this note, using a more transparent approach we show that these conditions may be replaced by the following: (ii) below, and $A_n \in \mathcal{R}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$ and $\mu(A_n \Delta A_m) \rightarrow 0$ as $n, m \rightarrow \infty$ implies that $\mu(A_n) - \mu(A_m) \rightarrow 0$ as $n, m \rightarrow \infty$.

We start with a set function $\mu: \mathcal{R} \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ having the following properties:

- (i) μ is monotone and $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$,
- (ii) μ has the pseudometric generating property, briefly the (p.g.p.), see Theorem 1 in [2]: For each $\varepsilon > 0$ there is a $\delta > 0$ such that $A, B \in \mathcal{R}$, $\mu(A), \mu(B) < \delta$ implies $\mu(A \cup B) < \varepsilon$, and
- (iii) μ has the Fatou property, briefly the (F.p.): $A, A_n \in \mathcal{R}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$ and $A_n \nearrow A$ implies $\mu(A_n) \nearrow \mu(A)$.

Put $\mathcal{R}_\sigma(\mathcal{R}_\delta) = \{A; \text{there are } A_n \in \mathcal{R}, n = 1, 2, \dots \text{ such that } A_n \nearrow (\searrow) A\}$, and $\mathcal{R}^* = \{A: A \subset B \text{ for some } B \in \mathcal{R}_\sigma\}$. Clearly μ has a unique extension $\mu: \mathcal{R}_\sigma \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$ defined by the equality $\mu(A) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_n)$, where $A_n \in \mathcal{R}, n = 1, 2, \dots$ and $A_n \nearrow A$, and μ on \mathcal{R}_σ shares the properties of μ on \mathcal{R} .

For $A \in \mathcal{R}^*$ define $\mu^*(A) = \inf \{\mu(B): B \in \mathcal{R}_\sigma, B \supset A\}$. Then:

- a) $\mu^*/\mathcal{R}_\sigma = \mu$,
- b) μ^* is monotone, and
- c) there is a sequence of positive numbers $\delta_k, k = 1, 2, \dots$ such that $\delta_k \searrow 0, 0 < \delta_k \leq 2^{-k}$, and $A_k \in \mathcal{R}^*, \mu^*(A_k) < \delta_k, k = 1, 2, \dots$ implies

$$\mu^* \left(\bigcup_{i=k+1}^{\infty} A_i \right) \leq \delta_k.$$

Obviously $\mathcal{N}^* = \{N: N \in \mathcal{R}^* \text{ and } \mu^*(N) = 0\}$ is a hereditary σ -ring.

We shall also need another extension of μ , namely we put

$$\hat{\mathcal{R}}_\sigma = \{A: \text{there are } A_n \in \mathcal{R}, n = 1, 2, \dots \text{ such that } A_n \nearrow A \text{ and } \mu(A - A_n) \rightarrow 0\},$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{R}}_\delta = \{A: \text{there are } A_n \in \mathcal{R}, n = 1, 2, \dots \text{ such that } A_n \searrow A \text{ and } \mu(A_n - A) \rightarrow 0\},$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{R}} = \{A: A \subset B \text{ for some } B \in \hat{\mathcal{R}}_\sigma\},$$

and for $A \in \hat{\mathcal{R}}$ we define $\hat{\mu}(A) = \inf \{\mu(B), B \in \hat{\mathcal{R}}_\sigma, B \supset A\}$.

Then it is easy to see that $\hat{\mathcal{R}}$ is a hereditary ring, the restriction of $\hat{\mu}$ to $\hat{\mathcal{R}}_\sigma$ equals μ , and

- c) there is a sequence of positive numbers $\delta_k, k = 1, 2, \dots$ such that $\delta_k \searrow 0, 0 < \delta_k \leq 2^{-k}$, and $A_k \in \hat{\mathcal{R}}, \hat{\mu}(A_k) < \delta_k, k = 1, 2, \dots$ implies that $\bigcup_{i=k+1}^{\infty} A_i \in \hat{\mathcal{R}}$ and

$$\hat{\mu} \left(\bigcup_{i=k+1}^{\infty} A_i \right) \leq \delta_k.$$

Clearly $\hat{\mathcal{N}} = \{N: N \in \hat{\mathcal{R}}, \hat{\mu}(N) = 0\}$ is a hereditary σ -ring, and since $\hat{\mu}(A) \geq \mu^*(A)$ for each $A \in \hat{\mathcal{R}}, \hat{\mathcal{N}} \subset \mathcal{N}^*$.

For $\mathcal{Q} \subset \mathcal{R}^*$ we define its closure $\bar{\mathcal{Q}}$ by the equality $\bar{\mathcal{Q}} = \{A: A \in \mathcal{R}^*, \text{ and there are } A_n \in \mathcal{Q}, n = 1, 2, \dots \text{ such that}$

$$\mu^*(A_n \Delta A) \rightarrow 0.$$

Similarly for $\mathcal{Q} \subset \hat{\mathcal{R}}$ we define its closure $\bar{\mathcal{Q}}$ using $\hat{\mathcal{R}}$ and $\hat{\mu}$.

Theorem 1. *Let $\mathcal{Q} \subset \mathcal{R}^*$ be a ring, and let $E_n \in \mathcal{Q}, n = 1, 2, \dots$ be such that $\mu^*(E_n \Delta E_m) \rightarrow 0$ as $n, m \rightarrow \infty$. Then there is a subsequence $\{E_{n_k}\}_k \subset \{E_n\}_n$ such that:*

1) $F_k = \bigcup_{i=k}^{\infty} E_{n_i} \in \hat{\mathcal{Q}}_{\sigma}$, $G_k = \bigcap_{i=k}^{\infty} E_{n_i} \in \hat{\mathcal{Q}}_{\delta}$, and $\mu^*(F - G) = 0$, where $F = \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{i=k}^{\infty} E_{n_i} =$

$\limsup_k E_{n_k}$ and $G = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{i=k}^{\infty} E_{n_i} = \liminf_k E_{n_k}$ ($\hat{\mathcal{Q}}_{\sigma}$ and $\hat{\mathcal{Q}}_{\delta}$ are defined using μ^*),
and

2) $\mu^*(E_n \Delta F) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Analogous results hold in $\hat{\mathcal{R}}$ with $\hat{\mu}$.

Proof. Take a sequence $\{\delta_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ according to the property c) of μ^* above, and then a subsequence $\{E_{n_k}\} \subset \{E_n\}$ such that $\mu^*(E_{n_{k+1}} \Delta E_{n_k}) < \delta_k$ for each $k = 1, 2, \dots$. Then

$$\mu^* \left(\bigcup_{i=k}^{\infty} (E_{n_{i+1}} \Delta E_{n_i}) \right) \leq \delta_{k-1} \quad \text{for } k = 2, 3, \dots,$$

hence

$$F_k = \bigcup_{i=k}^{\infty} E_{n_i} = E_{n_k} \cup \bigcup_{i=k}^{\infty} (E_{n_{i+1}} \Delta E_{n_i}) \in \hat{\mathcal{Q}}_{\sigma},$$

and

$$G_k = \bigcap_{i=k}^{\infty} E_{n_i} = E_{n_k} - \bigcup_{i=k}^{\infty} (E_{n_{i+1}} \Delta E_{n_i}) \in \hat{\mathcal{Q}}_{\delta}.$$

Further, since

$$F_k - G_k = \bigcup_{i=k}^{\infty} (E_{n_{i+1}} \Delta E_{n_i}),$$

$$0 \leq \mu^*(F - G) \leq \mu^*(F_k - G_k) \leq \delta_{k-1} \rightarrow 0.$$

Hence $\mu^*(F - G) = 0$.

2) now follows immediately from the inclusions

$$E_n \Delta F = E_n \Delta E_{n_k} \Delta E_{n_k} \Delta F_k \Delta F_k \Delta F \subset (E_n \Delta E_{n_k}) \cup$$

$$(E_{n_k} \Delta F_k) \cup (F_k \Delta F) \subset (E_n \Delta E_{n_k}) \cup \bigcup_{i=k}^{\infty} (E_{n_{i+1}} \Delta E_{n_i}).$$

Analogous arguments yield the corresponding assertions for $\hat{\mathcal{R}}$ and $\hat{\mu}$.

Corollary 1. Any σ -ring $\mathcal{Q} \subset \mathcal{R}^*(\hat{\mathcal{R}})$ is complete with respect to ϱ , $\varrho(E, F) = \mu^*(E \Delta F)$ ($= \hat{\mu}(E \Delta F)$).

Corollary 2. $\mathcal{R}^*(\hat{\mathcal{R}})$ is complete with respect to ϱ .

Corollary 3. The closure $\bar{\mathcal{Q}}$ ($\bar{\mathcal{Q}}$) of a ring $\mathcal{Q} \subset \mathcal{R}^*(\hat{\mathcal{R}})$ is a ring which is complete in ϱ , and $\bar{\mathcal{Q}} \subset \sigma(\mathcal{Q}) \cup \mathcal{N}^*$ ($\bar{\mathcal{Q}} \subset \sigma(\mathcal{Q}) \cup \hat{\mathcal{N}}$).

Theorem 2. Let $\mathcal{Q} \subset \mathcal{R}^*$ be a ring and let $\mu^*: \mathcal{J} \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$ be exhaustive. Then $\bar{\mathcal{J}} = \sigma(\mathcal{Q}) \cup \mathcal{N}^*$, and $\mu^*(A_n \Delta A) \rightarrow 0$ whenever $A_n \in \bar{\mathcal{Q}}, n = 1, 2, \dots$ and $A_n \rightarrow A$ (i.e. if $\liminf_n A_n = \limsup_n A_n = A$), particularly μ^* is exhaustive on $\bar{\mathcal{J}}$. Analogous results hold in $\hat{\mathcal{R}}$ with $\hat{\mu}$. Particularly, if $\mu: \mathcal{R} \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ is exhaustive, then $\hat{\mathcal{R}}_\sigma = \mathcal{R}_\sigma$, hence $\hat{\mathcal{R}} = \mathcal{R}^*$, $\hat{\mu} = \mu^*$ on \mathcal{R}^* , $\mathcal{N}^* = \hat{\mathcal{N}} = \mathcal{N}$, $\hat{\mathcal{R}} = \hat{\mathcal{R}} = \sigma(\mathcal{R}) \cup \mathcal{N}$, and $\mu^*: \sigma(\mathcal{R}) \cup \mathcal{N} \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$ is continuous.

Proof. First we show that $\mu^*: \bar{\mathcal{Q}} \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$ is exhaustive. Suppose the contrary. Take a sequence $\{\delta_k\}_k^\infty$ according to the property c) of μ^* . Then there is a positive integer k and a sequence of pairwise disjoint sets $A_n \in \bar{\mathcal{Q}} - \bar{\mathcal{Q}}, n = 1, 2, \dots$ such that $\mu^*(A_n) > \delta_k$ for each $n = 1, 2, \dots$. For each $n = 1, 2, \dots$ take $B_n \in \mathcal{J}$ so that $\mu^*(A_n \Delta B_n) < \delta_{k+3+n}$. Since for $n \neq m$ $B_n \cap B_m \subset (A_n \Delta B_n) \cup (A_m \Delta B_m)$, $\mu^*(B_n \cap B_m) < \delta_{k+2+n \wedge m}$. Put $C_1 = B_1$ and $C_n = B_n - (B_1 \cup \dots \cup B_{n-1})$ for $n > 1$. Then $C_n, n = 1, 2, \dots$ are pairwise disjoint elements of \mathcal{Q} , hence by exhaustivity of μ^* on \mathcal{J} there is an n_0 such that $\mu^*(C_n) < \delta_{k+3}$ for each $n \geq n_0$. Since $B_n - C_n = (B_1 \cap B_n) \cup \dots \cup (B_{n-1} \cap B_n)$, $\mu^*(B_n - C_n) < \delta_{k+2}$ for each $n = 1, 2, \dots$. Thus $\mu^*(B_n) \leq \mu^*((B_n - C_n) \cup C_n) < \delta_{k+1}$ for each $n \geq n_0$. Hence for $n \geq n_0$ we have the contradiction $\mu^*(A_n) \leq \mu^*((A_n \Delta B_n) \cup B_n) < \delta_k$.

The inclusion $\bar{\mathcal{Q}} \subset \sigma(\mathcal{Q}) \cup \mathcal{N}^*$ follows from Corollary 3 above. Since clearly $\bar{\mathcal{J}}$ is a ring containing $\bar{\mathcal{Q}}$ and \mathcal{N}^* , to show that $\sigma(\mathcal{Q}) \cup \mathcal{N}^* \subset \bar{\mathcal{J}}$ it is enough to prove that $\bar{\mathcal{J}}$ contains the union of any sequence of pairwise disjoint sets from $\bar{\mathcal{J}}$.

Let $A_n \in \bar{\mathcal{Q}}, n = 1, 2, \dots$ be pairwise disjoint sets. Since $\mu^*: \bar{\mathcal{J}} \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$ is exhaustive, for each $k = 2, 3, \dots$ there is an $n_k > n_{k-1}$ such that $\mu^*\left(\bigcup_{i=n_k}^{n_k+p} A_i\right) < \delta_k$ for each $p = 1, 2, \dots$. Thus $\mu^*\left(\bigcup_{i=n_k}^{n_k+1} A_i\right) < \delta_k$ for each $j = 1, 2, \dots$, hence

$$\mu^*\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i - \bigcup_{i=1}^{n_k} A_i\right) = \mu^*\left(\bigcup_{i=n_k}^{\infty} A_i\right) = \left(\bigcup_{j=k}^{\infty} \bigcup_{i=n_j}^{n_j+1} A_i\right) \leq \delta_{k-1}$$

for each $k = 2, 3, \dots$. Hence $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \in \bar{\mathcal{Q}}$, which we wanted to show. Thus $\bar{\mathcal{J}} = \sigma(\mathcal{Q}) \cup \mathcal{N}^*$.

Since $A_n \rightarrow A$ means $\limsup_n (A_n \Delta A) = \emptyset$, and since $\bar{\mathcal{Q}}$ is a σ -ring, for the second assertion of the theorem it is enough to show that μ^* is continuous on $\bar{\mathcal{J}}$. Let $A_n \in \bar{\mathcal{Q}}, n = 1, 2, \dots$, and let $A_n \searrow \emptyset$. Then $B_n = A_n - A_{n+1}, n = 1, 2, \dots$ are pairwise disjoint and $A_n = \bigcup_{i=n}^{\infty} B_i$. Now in the same way as in the paragraph above we obtain that $\mu^*(A_n) \rightarrow 0$.

Analogous arguments yield the results for $\hat{\mathcal{R}}$ and $\hat{\mu}$. The rest of the theorem is evident.

Let $\mu: \mathcal{R} \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ be a subadditive or a uniform submeasure. Then it is easy to see that $\mu^*: \mathcal{R}^* \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$ is subadditive, or is uniformly subadditively continuous, respectively. Hence, as a corollary, we immediately have the extension theorem for such submeasures, see also Theorem 18 in [1].

Corollary. *An additive, subadditive or uniform submeasure $\mu: \mathcal{R} \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ has a unique extension $\mu: \sigma(\mathcal{R}) \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ of the same type if and only if it is exhaustive.*

The uniqueness of the extension follows immediately from Corollary 3 of Theorem 15 in [1]. If $\mu: \mathcal{R} \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ is additive, then the additivity of $\mu^*: \sigma(\mathcal{R}) \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ may be proved in the following way: Let $A, B \in \sigma(\mathcal{R})$, and let $A \cap B = \emptyset$. Take $A_n, B_n \in \mathcal{R}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$ so that $\mu^*(A_n \Delta A) \rightarrow 0$ and $\mu^*(B_n \Delta B) \rightarrow 0$. Then $\mu^*(A_n) \rightarrow \mu^*(A)$ and $\mu^*(B_n) \rightarrow \mu^*(B)$, hence by additivity of μ on \mathcal{R} we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu^*(A \cup B) &= \mu^*(A \Delta B) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_n \Delta B_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_n - B_n) + \\ &\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(B_n - A_n) = 2\mu^*(A \cup B) - \mu^*(A) - \mu^*(B), \end{aligned}$$

hence $\mu^*(A \cup B) = \mu^*(A) + \mu^*(B)$.

Concerning subadditively continuous extensions we have

Theorem 3. *The following conditions are equivalent:*

- $\hat{\mu}: \bar{\mathcal{R}} \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ is subadditively continuous,
- If $A_n \in \mathcal{R}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$ and $\mu(A_n \Delta A_m) \rightarrow 0$ as $n, m \rightarrow \infty$, then for each $\varepsilon > 0$ there is a $\delta > 0$ such that $B \in \mathcal{R}$ and $\mu(B) < \delta$ implies $\mu(A_n) - \varepsilon \leq \mu(A_n - B) \leq \mu(A_n) \leq \mu(A_n \cup B) \leq \mu(A_n) + \varepsilon$ for each $n = 1, 2, \dots$, and
- If $A_n \in \mathcal{R}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$ and $\mu(A_n \Delta A_m) \rightarrow 0$ as $n, m \rightarrow \infty$, then $\mu(A_n) - \mu(A_m) \rightarrow 0$ as $n, m \rightarrow \infty$.

Proof. a) \Rightarrow b). Let $A_n \in \mathcal{R}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$ be such that $\mu(A_n \Delta A_m) \rightarrow 0$ as $n, m \rightarrow \infty$. By Corollary 2 of Theorem 1 there is an $A \in \bar{\mathcal{R}}$ such that $\hat{\mu}(A_n \Delta A) \rightarrow 0$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$. By the subadditive continuity of $\hat{\mu}$ on $\bar{\mathcal{R}}$ there is a $\delta_A > 0$ such that $B \in \bar{\mathcal{R}}$ and $\hat{\mu}(B) < \delta_A$ implies $\hat{\mu}(A) - 2^{-1} \cdot \varepsilon \leq \hat{\mu}(A - B) \leq \hat{\mu}(A) \leq \hat{\mu}(A \cup B) \leq \hat{\mu}(A) + 2^{-1} \cdot \varepsilon$. Further, by the (p.g.p.) of $\hat{\mu}$ there is a $\delta_0 < \delta_A$ such that $B, B_1 \in \bar{\mathcal{R}}$ and $\hat{\mu}(B), \hat{\mu}(B_1) < \delta_0$ implies $\hat{\mu}(B \cup B_1) < \delta_A$. Take n_0 so that $\hat{\mu}(A \Delta A_n) < \delta_0$ for $n \geq n_0$. Then for $n \geq n_0$ and for $B \in \bar{\mathcal{R}}$ with $\hat{\mu}(B) < \delta_0$ we have the inequalities $\hat{\mu}(A) - 2^{-1} \cdot \varepsilon \leq \hat{\mu}(A - (B \cup (A - A_n))) \leq \hat{\mu}(A_n - B) \leq \hat{\mu}(A_n) \leq \hat{\mu}(A_n \cup B) \leq \hat{\mu}(A \cup (A_n - A) \cup B) \leq \hat{\mu}(A) + 2^{-1} \cdot \varepsilon$. Hence for such n and B we have the inequalities $\hat{\mu}(A_n) - \varepsilon \leq \hat{\mu}(A_n - B) \leq \hat{\mu}(A_n) \leq \hat{\mu}(A_n \cup B) \leq \hat{\mu}(A_n) + \varepsilon$. Finally, by the subadditive continuity of $\hat{\mu}$ we take $\delta_1, \dots, \delta_{n_0}$ corresponding to ε and A_1, \dots, A_{n_0} respectively, and we put $\delta = \min \{ \delta_0, \delta_1, \dots, \delta_{n_0} \}$.

Clearly b) \Rightarrow c).

c) \Rightarrow a). For $A \in \tilde{\mathcal{R}}$ put $\mu(A) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_n)$, where $A_n \in \mathcal{R}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$ and $\mu(A_n \Delta A) \rightarrow 0$. By c) μ is clearly unambiguously defined. First we show that $\mu: \tilde{\mathcal{R}} \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ is subadditively continuous, and then that $\mu(A) = \hat{\mu}(A)$ for each $A \in \tilde{\mathcal{R}}$.

Suppose $\hat{\mu}: \tilde{\mathcal{R}} \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ is not subadditively continuous. Then there is an $\varepsilon > 0$ and $A, A_n \in \tilde{\mathcal{R}}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$ such that $\mu(A_n \Delta A) \rightarrow 0$ and $|\mu(A_n) - \mu(A)| > \varepsilon$ for each $n = 1, 2, \dots$. Take $A_{0,k}, A_{n,k} \in \mathcal{R}$, $k, n = 1, 2, \dots$ so that $\hat{\mu}(A_{0,k} \Delta A) \rightarrow 0$ and $\hat{\mu}(A_{n,k} \Delta A_n) \rightarrow 0$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$, for each $n = 1, 2, \dots$. Then $\mu(A) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_{0,k})$, $\mu(A_n) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_{n,k})$ for each $n = 1, 2, \dots$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A \Delta A_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_{0,k} \Delta A_{n,k}) = 0$.

Take a sequence $\{\delta_i\}_1^\infty$ according to the property c) of μ^* . By the last equality for each $i = 1, 2, \dots$ there is an n_i such that $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_{0,k} \Delta A_{n_i,k}) < \delta_i$. But then for each i there is a k_i such that $\mu(A_{0,k_i} \Delta A_{n_i,k_i}) < \delta_i$ and $|\mu(A_{n_i,k_i}) - \mu(A_{n_i})| < i^{-1}$. By the properties of the sequence $\{\delta_i\}_1^\infty$ the first inequality implies that the sequence $\{A_{0,k_1}, A_{n_1,k_1}, \dots, A_{0,k_i}, A_{n_i,k_i}, \dots\}$ is ϱ -Cauchy, where $\varrho(E, F) = \mu(E \Delta F)$, hence by c) and the second inequality we have the contradiction

$$\mu(A) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_{n_i, k_i}) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \mu(A_{n_i}).$$

There remains to be shown that $\mu(E) = \hat{\mu}(E)$ for each $E \in \tilde{\mathcal{R}}$. Let $E \in \tilde{\mathcal{R}}$. Take a sequence $E_n \in \mathcal{R}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$ so that $\mu(E \Delta E_n) \rightarrow 0$, and let have the notations of Theorem 1. Then $\hat{\mu}(E) = \inf \{\mu(B) : E \subset B, B \in \hat{\mathcal{R}}_\sigma\} \leq \inf_k \mu(F_k) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mu(F_k) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mu(E_{n_k}) = \mu(E)$, since $\mu(F_k \Delta E_{n_k}) \rightarrow 0$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$.

On the other hand, for each $\varepsilon > 0$ there is a $B \in \hat{\mathcal{R}}_\sigma$ such that $B \supset F$ and $\hat{\mu}(F) + \varepsilon \geq \mu(B) \geq \mu(B \cap F_k) \geq \mu(F)$ for each k , hence $\hat{\mu}(F) \geq \mu(F) = \mu(E)$. There remains to be shown that $\hat{\mu}(F) = \hat{\mu}(E)$. Since $\mu: \mathcal{R} \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ is subadditively continuous, and since $\hat{\mu} = \mu$ on \mathcal{R}_σ , by the definition of $\hat{\mu}$, $\hat{\mu}: \tilde{\mathcal{R}} \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ is subadditively continuous from the right, i.e., for each $A \in \tilde{\mathcal{R}}$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ there is a $\delta > 0$ such that $B \in \tilde{\mathcal{R}}$, $\hat{\mu}(B) < \delta$ implies $\hat{\mu}(A \cup B) \leq \hat{\mu}(A) + \varepsilon$. From this, since $\hat{\mu}(E \Delta F) = 0$ we immediately have the required equality $\hat{\mu}(F) = \hat{\mu}(E)$. The theorem is proved.

From Theorems 2 and 3, and Theorem 3-b) in [1] we immediately have (the uniqueness follows easily from Corollary 3 of Theorem 15 in [1]) our extension theorem for submeasures, compare with Theorem 18 in [1].

Theorem 4. (Extension Theorem for Submeasures.) A submeasure $\mu: \mathcal{R} \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ has a unique extension to $\sigma(\mathcal{R})$ - the σ -ring generated by \mathcal{R} , if and only if it is exhaustive on \mathcal{R} , $A_n \in \mathcal{R}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$ and $\mu(A_n \Delta A_m) \rightarrow 0$ as $n, m \rightarrow \infty$ implies $\mu(A_n) - \mu(A_m) \rightarrow 0$ as $n, m \rightarrow \infty$, and for each $\varepsilon > 0$ there is a $\delta > 0$ such that $A, B \in \mathcal{R}$ and $\mu(A), \mu(B) < \delta$ implies $\mu(A \cup B) < \varepsilon$.

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Резюме

Пусть \mathcal{R} кольцо подмножеств непустого множества T . Согласно с [1] функция множеств $\mu: \mathcal{R} \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ называется субмерой, если она монотонна, непрерывна ($A_n \searrow \emptyset \Rightarrow \mu(A_n) \rightarrow 0$), и полуаддитивно непрерывна ($\forall A \in \mathcal{R}$ и $\forall \varepsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0, B \in \mathcal{R}, \mu(B) < \delta \Rightarrow \mu(A) - \varepsilon \leq \mu(A - B) \leq \mu(A) \leq \mu(A \cup B) \leq \mu(A) + \varepsilon$). Последнее условие можно заменить следующим: $A, A_n \in \mathcal{R}, n = 1, 2, \dots$ и $\mu(A_n \Delta A) \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \mu(A_n) \rightarrow \mu(A)$. Необходимые и достаточные условия для расширения субмеры из кольца \mathcal{R} на порожденное им сигма кольцо были установлены Теоремой 18 в [1]. Условия II и III этой теоремы слишком громоздки. В настоящей работе показывается, что их можно заменить более простыми условиями. А, именно, справедлива следующая

Теорема о расширении субмеры. Субмера $\mu: \mathcal{R} \rightarrow (0, +\infty)$ однозначно расширяется до субмеры на сигма кольце, порожденном \mathcal{R} тогда и только тогда, когда она не имеет ускользающей нагрузки на \mathcal{R} , $A_n \in \mathcal{R}, n = 1, 2, \dots$ и $\mu(A_n \Delta A_m) \rightarrow 0$ для $n, m \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \mu(A_n) - \mu(A_m) \rightarrow 0$ для $n, m \rightarrow \infty$, и для каждого $\varepsilon > 0$ существует $\delta > 0$ так, что $A, B \in \mathcal{R}$ и $\mu(A), \mu(B) < \delta \Rightarrow \mu(A \cup B) < \varepsilon$.