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## Hahn decomposition theorem

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Defines Hahn decomposition

Let  $\mu$  be a signed measure in the measurable space  $(\Omega, \mathscr{S})$ . There are two measurable sets A and B such that:

- 1.  $A \cup B = \Omega$  and  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ ;
- 2.  $\mu(E) \geq 0$  for each  $E \in \mathscr{S}$  such that  $E \subset A$ ;
- 3.  $\mu(E) \leq 0$  for each  $E \in \mathscr{S}$  such that  $E \subset B$ .

The pair (A, B) is called a *Hahn decomposition* for  $\mu$ . This decomposition is not unique, but any other such decomposition (A', B') satisfies  $\mu(A' \triangle A) = \mu(B \triangle B') = 0$  (where  $\triangle$  denotes the symmetric difference), so the two decompositions differ in a set of measure 0.