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Hahn-Kolmogorov theorem

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Let \mathcal{A}_0 be an algebra of subsets of a set X . If a finitely additive measure $\mu_0: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$ satisfies

$$\mu_0\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu_0(A_n)$$

for any disjoint family $\{A_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of elements of \mathcal{A}_0 such that $\bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n \in \mathcal{A}_0$, then μ_0 extends to a measure defined on the σ -algebra \mathcal{A} generated by \mathcal{A}_0 ; i.e. there exists a measure $\mu: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$ such that its <http://planetmath.org/Restriction> to \mathcal{A}_0 coincides with μ_0 .

If μ_0 is <http://planetmath.org/SigmaFinite> σ -finite, then the extension is unique.