RESTRICTED MEASURABILITY

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1. Introduction. It is our aim to introduce into the general theory of measure a concept of restricted measurability and to establish certain conditions under which it is equivalent to measurability in the familiar Carathéodory sense.

We follow the theory with two applications.

2. Notations and conventions. If C is a sequence of sets and n is an integer, we agree that

$$\overset{-1}{\underset{j=0}{\text{U}}} C_j, \quad \overset{n}{\underset{j=0}{\text{U}}} C_j, \text{ and } \overset{\infty}{\underset{j=0}{\text{U}}} C_j$$

are respectively 0, the union of terms of C numbered from 0 to n, and the union of all terms of C.

We agree that a family H of sets is hereditary if each subset of each member of the family is a member of the family and is countably additive if the union of members of each countable sub-family of H is a member of H. By σH we mean the union of all members of H.

If A and B are sets, we agree that $A \sim B$ is the set of points in A and not in B.

Throughout this paper we consider S to be a fixed set with respect to which we make definitions.

3. Restricted measurability.

3.1. Definition. ϕ is a measure if and only if ϕ is such a function on

$$E(\beta \subset S)$$
 to $E(0 \le t \le \infty)$

that

$$\phi(A) \leq \sum_{\beta \in H} \phi(\beta)$$

whenever H is such a countable family that

$$A \subset \sigma H \subset S$$
.

Since empty sums are zero, we see that, if ϕ is a measure, then: I. $\phi(0) = 0$;

II. $\phi(A) \leq \phi(B)$ whenever $A \subset B \subset S$;

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