

Functorial Decomposition of Colimits in Categories and a Generalized Fubini Formula

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Colimit Decomposition Formula

$D : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbf{Cat}$, $d \mapsto \mathcal{I}_d$, $(K_d : \mathcal{I}_d \rightarrow \mathcal{K})_d$ colimit, $X : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$

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Compare: Fubini Formula for iterated colimits

$$\operatorname{colim}^{\mathcal{I} \times \mathcal{J}} \mathcal{X} \cong \operatorname{colim}^{i \in \mathcal{I}} (\operatorname{colim}^{\mathcal{J}} \mathcal{X}(i, -)).$$

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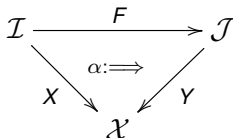
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Generalized Fubini Formula

For $D : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbf{Cat}$, the fibres of the opfibration $\mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$, $(d, x) \rightarrow d$, are (the images of)

$$J_d : \mathcal{I}_d \rightarrow \mathcal{G}, (\varphi : x \rightarrow x') \mapsto ((1_d, \varphi) : (d, x) \rightarrow (d, x')),$$

THEOREM

For $Y : \int^\circ D \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$, let the colimits $\tilde{Y}d \cong \operatorname{colim}^{\mathcal{I}_d} YJ_d$ exist in \mathcal{X} , for all objects $d \in \mathcal{D}$. Then the colimit of Y exists in \mathcal{X} if, and only if, the colimit of $\tilde{Y} : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ exists, in which case the two colimits coincide:

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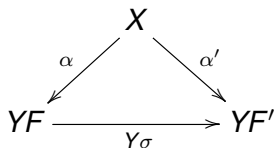
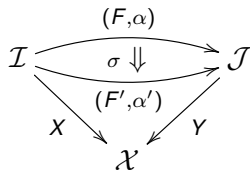
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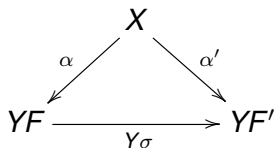
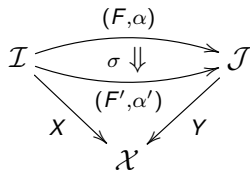


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2-fibrations: Hermida 1999, Buckley 2014

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