

Inf-Preserving Functors from \underline{A} to Ens

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1. Introduction. Let I and \underline{A} be an index category and a small category respectively. For each object A of \underline{A} the constant diagram $A_I: I \rightarrow \underline{A}$ is defined by $A_I(i) = A$, $A_I(k) = 1_A$ for each object i and map $k: i \rightarrow j$ of I . A lower bound (A, u) of a diagram $\Gamma: I \rightarrow \underline{A}$ consists of an object A of \underline{A} and a natural transformation $u: A_I \rightarrow \Gamma$. The lower bound (A, u) of Γ will be called the infimum of Γ if for every lower bound (A', u') of Γ there exists a unique map $a: A' \rightarrow A$ such that $u(i)a = u'(i)$ for all objects i of I , and we write it by $\inf \Gamma = (A, u)$. A functor $F: \underline{A} \rightarrow \underline{B}$ is called *the inf-preserving functor* or we say that it *preserves the infimums* if for every diagram $\Gamma: I \rightarrow \underline{A}$, $\inf \Gamma = (A, u) \Rightarrow \inf (F\Gamma) = (F(A), F \cdot u)$. An upper bound, the supremum of a diagram and the sup-preserving functors are also defined dually. We write the opposite category of \underline{A} and the category of sets by \underline{A}° and Ens respectively. J. Lambek [1] proved that \underline{A} is embedded as a sup-dense subcategory into a sup-complete category \underline{A}' of all functors from \underline{A}° to Ens and the embedding functor of \underline{A} into the category \underline{A}'' of all inf-preserving functors from \underline{A}° to Ens is sup-dense and sup-preserving. Further he proved that the category \underline{A}'' is inf-complete. The purpose of this note is to prove that the opposite \underline{A}''' of the category \underline{A}'' of all inf-preserving functors from \underline{A} to Ens is sup-complete and it is inf-complete if for any diagram θ with $\inf \theta = (z, t)$, t is a natural equivalence.

Throughout this note we assume that every diagram has the small index category.

2. Inf-preserving functors. Let $\{o\}$ be a typical one element set and $T: \underline{A} \rightarrow Ens$. We may associate with the element x of $T(A)$ for all A of \underline{A} the map $\hat{x}: \{o\} \rightarrow T(A)$ such that $\hat{x}(o) = x$. The following lemmas will be stated whose proofs are to be found in [1] and [3] respectively.

LEMMA 1. *For any object A of \underline{A} the functors $[A, \]: \underline{A} \rightarrow Ens$ and $[\ , A]: \underline{A}^\circ \rightarrow Ens$ preserves infimums.*

LEMMA 2. *Let T and T' be two functors from \underline{A} to \underline{B} and $\eta: T \rightarrow T'$ a natural equivalence. Then T preserves infimums if and only if T' does.*

PROPOSITION 1. *The functor $T: \underline{A} \rightarrow \underline{B}$ preserves infimums if and only if $[B, T(\)]: \underline{A} \rightarrow Ens$ preserves infimums for all B in \underline{B} .*

Proof. Assume that T preserves infimums. The functor $[B, T(\)]$ arises by composition from the inf-preserving functor $T: \underline{A} \rightarrow \underline{B}$ and the functor $[B, \]: \underline{B} \rightarrow Ens$. But the functor $[B, \]$ preserves infimum by the lemma 1. Hence it also preserves infimums. Conversely, assume that the functor $[B, T(\)]$ preserves infs for all B in \underline{B} . Let $D: I \rightarrow \underline{A}$ be a diagram in \underline{A} with $\inf D = (A, u)$. Then the infimum of the diagram $[B, T(\)] \cdot D: I \rightarrow Ens$ is $([B, T(A)], v)$, where $v(i) = [B, T(u(i))]$ for each i of I . Let $t(i): B \rightarrow T(D(i))$ be natural in i of I . We associate with $t(i)$ mapping $\hat{t}(i): \{o\} \rightarrow [B, T(D(i))]$. Hence there exists a unique map $g: \{o\} \rightarrow [B, T(A)]$ such that $t(i) = v(i) \cdot g$. Since $\hat{t}(i)(o) = v$

(i) $\cdot (g(o))$, we have a unique element $g(o)$ of $[B, T(A)]$ such that $t(i) = v(i)g(o) = T(u(i)) \cdot g(o)$. Hence $\inf TD = [T(A), T \cdot u]$.

PROPOSITION 2. Let $T: \underline{A} \rightarrow \underline{C}$ be an embedding functor and \underline{C}_0 be the subcategory of \underline{C} , consisting of all objects C in \underline{C} such that the functor $[C, T(\)]: \underline{A} \rightarrow \text{Ens}$ preserves infimums. Then

- (i) the image $T(\underline{A})$ of T is contained in \underline{C}_0 .
- (ii) \underline{C}_0 is the largest subcategory of \underline{C} such that the induced embedding functor $\underline{A} \rightarrow T(\underline{A}) \rightarrow \underline{C}_0$ preserves infimums.
- (iii) Every supremum of any diagram $\Delta: J \rightarrow \underline{C}$ in \underline{C} is contained in \underline{C}_0 .
- (iv) For any diagram $\theta: K \rightarrow \underline{C}_0$ with $\inf \theta = (C', t)$ in \underline{C} if t is a natural equivalence then C' is contained in \underline{C}_0 .

Proof. (i) Since T is an embedding functor, we have a natural equivalence $\mu: [A, \] \cong [T(A), T(\)]$ for each object A of \underline{A} , where $[A, \]$ and $[T(A), T(\)]$ are two functors from \underline{A} to Ens . The functor $[A, \]$ preserves infimums by the lemma 1. Hence the functor $[T(A), T(\)]$ preserves infimums, by the lemma 2. Therefore $T(\underline{A}) \in \underline{C}_0$ and $T(\underline{A}) \subset \underline{C}_0$.

(ii) Let $\underline{A} \rightarrow T(\underline{A}) \rightarrow \underline{C}'$ be an inf-preserving induced embedding functor. By the proposition 1, for each object C' of \underline{C}' : the functor $[C', T(\)]$ preserves infimums. Hence C' is contained in \underline{C}_0 .

(iii) Let $\Delta: J \rightarrow \underline{C}_0$ be any diagram with $\sup \Delta = (C, v)$ in \underline{C} . Assume that $D: I \rightarrow \underline{A}$ is a diagram with $\inf D = (A, u)$ then $\inf T \cdot D = ((TA), T \cdot u)$ in \underline{C}_0 . Let $g: C_I \rightarrow TD$ be a natural transformation, then we have the map $g(i)v(j)$ in \underline{C} such that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Delta(j) & \xrightarrow{v(j)} & C \\ & \searrow & \downarrow g(i) \\ & & TD(i) \end{array} \quad \text{commutes.}$$

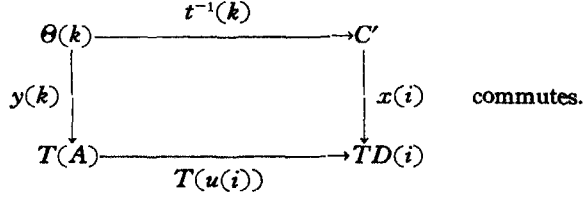
Hence there exists a unique map $S(j): \Delta(j) \rightarrow T(A)$ such that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Delta(j) & \xrightarrow{v(j)} & C \\ S(j) \downarrow & \searrow f & \downarrow g(i) \\ T(A) & \xrightarrow{T(u(i))} & TD(i) \end{array} \quad \text{commutes.}$$

Since $T(u(i)) \cdot S(j): \Delta(j) \rightarrow TD(i)$ is a natural in $i \in I$, so does $S(j)$ in $j \in J$. Hence there exists a unique map $f: C \rightarrow T(A)$ such that $S(j) = f \cdot v(j)$. Therefore $T(u(i)) \cdot S(j) = T(u(i)) \cdot f \cdot v(j) = g(i)v(j)$, hence $g(i) = T(u(i))f$, that is, $T(A)$ is the infimum in $\underline{C}_0 \cup \{C\}$, so that $\underline{C}_0 \cup \{C\} = \underline{C}_0$ by (ii).

(iv) Consider any diagrams $\theta: K \rightarrow \underline{C}_0$ with $\inf \theta = (C', t)$ in \underline{C} , where t is a natural equivalence and $D: I \rightarrow \underline{A}$ with $\inf D = (A, u)$. Then $T(\underline{A}) \rightarrow TD(i)$ is a natural in $i \in I$. Let $x(i): C' \rightarrow TD(i)$ be a natural in $i \in I$, for each k of K then we have a natural map $x(i)t^{-1}(k): \theta(k) \rightarrow TD(i)$ in i of I . There exists a unique map $y(k): \theta(k) \rightarrow T(A)$

such that $T(u(i)) \cdot y(k) = x(i)t^{-1}(k)$. Hence $T(u(i)) \cdot y(k)t(k) = x(i)$.



By (ii), C' must be in \mathcal{C}_0 .

3. Category of inf-preserving functors. Let \underline{A} be any small category. We shall write $[\underline{A}, \text{Ens}]_{\text{inf}}$ for the category of all inf-preserving functors from \underline{A} to Ens .

LEMMA 3. For each object C of \mathcal{C} and each functor $S: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{Ens}$, there is a bijection $\psi: S(c) \cong [h_c S]$, where h_c is a functor $[C, \]: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \text{Ens}$ and the map ψ is defined for $x \in S(c)$ and $f \in h_c(A)$ for A of \mathcal{C} as $(\psi(x))(f) = (S(f))(x)$, [2].

By the lemma 1 the canonical embedding $H: \underline{A} \rightarrow [\underline{A}, \text{Ens}]^\circ$ induce the embedding of \underline{A} into $[\underline{A}, \text{Ens}]_{\text{inf}}$. Using the proposition 2, we shall show the following theorem.

THEOREM. (1) The category $[\underline{A}, \text{Ens}]_{\text{inf}}^\circ$ is sup-complete.

(2) For any diagram θ with $\text{inf } \theta = (x, t)$ in $[\underline{A}, \text{Ens}]^\circ$ if t is a natural equivalence then $[\underline{A}, \text{Ens}]_{\text{inf}}$ is inf-complete.

Proof. (1) Let \underline{B} be the category of all functors $T: \underline{A} \rightarrow \text{Ens}$ in $[\underline{A}, \text{Ens}]^\circ$ such that $[T, H(\)]$ preserves infimums. By the lemma 3, $T \cong [T, H(\)]$. Therefore we have $[\underline{A}, \text{Ens}]_{\text{inf}}^\circ = \underline{B}$ by the lemma 2. Hence the category \underline{B} is sup-complete by (iii) of the proposition 2.

(2) Since $[\underline{A}, \text{Ens}]_{\text{inf}}^\circ = \underline{B}$, by (iv) of proposition 2 it follows that $[\underline{A}, \text{Ens}]_{\text{inf}}$ is inf-complete.

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