### ON THE EXTENSION OF INTERVAL FUNCTIONS

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Introduction. The problem of extending the range of definition of a function defined on a class of elementary figures—intervals, rectangles—has been treated in various ways in the literature. In the theory of Lebesgue measure a particular function—length of interval (area of rectangle)—is extended in a completely additive way to an additive class of sets. In the general extension problem we start, say, with a function (real, single-valued, and finite) of intervals  $\phi(I)$  and extend the range of definition to an additive class of sets obtaining a function  $\Phi(E)$  which is completely additive and which has the property that  $\Phi(E) = \phi(I)$  whenever "E is the set I." But what is the interval I? A priori  $\phi(I)$  is defined on a class of intervals I, where I is considered neither open nor closed but merely as an interval. From the viewpoint of  $\Phi(E)$  an interval I must be considered as a definite point set—a closed interval, an open interval, a semi-open interval, and so on. Corresponding to open intervals and to closed intervals,  $\Phi(E)$  gives rise to two interval functions:  $\phi_1(I) = \Phi(I')$ ,  $\phi_2(I) = \Phi(I^0)$  where I' is understood to be closed and  $I^0$  open. If  $\phi(I) = \phi_1(I)$  identically, then  $\Phi(E)$  is an extension of  $\phi(I)$  considered as a function of closed intervals; if  $\phi(I) = \phi_2(I)$  identically, then  $\Phi(E)$  is an extension of  $\phi(I)$  considered as a function of open intervals. As a starting point in the general extension problem, the function  $\phi(I)$  has been considered, somewhat artificially and arbitrarily perhaps, a function either of closed intervals or of open intervals (see, for example, [10])(1). Extensions  $\Phi(E)$  which have the property that  $\Phi(I') = \Phi(I^0)$  identically are of particular interest since then  $\Phi(E)$  is an extension of  $\phi(I)$  whether I be considered open or closed.

The main results of the paper concern the existence of B-extensions, a precise definition of which is given in §1.6. Suffice it to say here that if  $\Phi(E)$  is a B-extension of  $\phi(I)$  then  $\Phi(I') = \Phi(I^0) = \phi(I)$ . The idea of a B-extension was suggested by a result of Burkill [2] which we shall review in §1.5. Burkill's theorem on extension is stated in terms of a sufficient condition while our results on B-extensions are stated in terms of necessary and sufficient conditions.

In Part 1 we explain notation, define terms, and summarize results. In Part 2 we present a proof of a theorem (Theorem 1) which states a necessary and sufficient condition that a non-negative function of closed intervals

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admit a non-negative completely additive extension. This theorem was proved in [10] using the results of Radon [9]. The present proof makes use of the theory of outer measure in the sense of Carathéodory. Theorem 2 extends the result of Theorem 1 to the case of a function of arbitrary sign. Theorem 3 concerns the uniqueness and characterization of an extension of a function of intervals. Part 3 contains proofs of our results (Theorems 4, 5, and 6) on the *B*-extension. We present necessary and sufficient conditions that a non-negative function of intervals, a function of intervals of arbitrary sign, and an indefinite integral of a function of intervals, respectively, admit *B*-extensions.

### 1. Preliminaries and summary.

- 1.1. In modern literature intervals are considered as k-dimensional where k is a positive integer. We shall consider functions of intervals in the xy-plane, that is, our intervals are two-dimensional. The word interval is used in the sequel only in the accepted point set sense: Given two points  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$ an interval is the set of points (x, y) such that  $x_1 \le x \le x_2$ ,  $y_1 \le y \le y_2$ ; an open interval is the set of points (x, y) such that  $x_1 < x < x_2, y_1 < y < y_2$  (Saks [12, p. 57]). Let  $R_0$  be the interval  $0 \le x \le 1$ ,  $0 \le y \le 1$ . All sets considered in this paper are subsets of  $R_0$  unless otherwise stated. We use the letters I, J, R to denote intervals. The symbol I<sup>0</sup> denotes the open interval which corresponds to I, that is,  $I^0$  is the interior of the set I. The letter C is used to denote a class of intervals. A capital script letter, as  $\mathcal{E}$ , is used to denote an elementary system of intervals, that is, a finite set of intervals  $I_1, I_2, \dots, I_k$  such that  $I_i^0 \cdot I_j^0 = 0$ whenever  $i \neq j$ . A capital script letter is also used as an operator in the sense that  $\mathcal{E}I$  denotes an elementary system of intervals  $I_1, I_2, \cdots, I_k$  which constitutes a subdivision of I, that is,  $\sum_{i=1}^{k} I_i = I$ . The parameter of regularity of an interval I, denoted by p(I), is the ratio of the length of the shorter side of I to the length of the longer side of I. The norm of an interval I, denoted by ||I||, is the length of the diameter of I; the symbol  $\|\mathcal{E}\|$  is defined as the largest of the numbers ||I|| where  $I \in \mathcal{E}$ . The measure of an interval I is denoted by |I|; the symbol  $|\mathcal{E}|$  is defined as the number  $\sum |I|$  where the sum is taken over  $I \in \mathcal{E}$ . The boundary of an interval I, denoted by b(I), is the set  $I - I^{\circ}$ .
- 1.2. A class of sets in  $R_0$  is said to be *closed* (relative to  $R_0$ )—and is generically denoted by K—if the following conditions are satisfied:
  - (i) Every set open relative to  $R_0$  (denoted generically by 0) is in K.
- (ii) If a set E is in K, then the complement of E relative to  $R_0$  (denoted by CE) is also in K.
  - (iii) If  $\{E_n\}$  is a sequence of sets in K, then  $\sum_n E_n$  is also a set in K.

Clearly every closed class K contains all Borel sets  $E \subset R_0$ . In fact, the class of all Borel sets in  $R_0$ , which we denote by B, is identical with the product of all closed classes in  $R_0$ .

Let  $\lambda$  be a fixed number satisfying the relation  $0 \le \lambda < 1$ , and let  $C_{\lambda}$  denote the class of all intervals I such that  $p(I) \ge \lambda$ . A subscript  $\lambda$  as in  $I_{\lambda}$  and  $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}$ 

indicates that  $I_{\lambda} \in C_{\lambda}$  and that  $I \in C_{\lambda}$  for every  $I \in \mathcal{E}_{\lambda}$ . The symbol  $C_0$  will denote the class of all intervals I such that  $I \subset R_0$ . Let  $\phi(I)$  denote a real, finite, single-valued function which is defined for every  $I \in C_{\lambda}$ . This function is denoted briefly by the symbol  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  in which the first letter denotes the function and the second letter denotes the range of definition of the function.

A function  $\Phi(E)$  which is defined on a closed class K, that is, the function  $[\Phi, K]$ , is a *completely additive extension* of the function  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i)  $[\Phi, K]$  is a completely additive set function.
- (ii)  $\Phi(I) = \phi(I)$  for every  $I \in C_{\lambda}$ .

In Part 2 we shall prove the following theorems:

THEOREM 1. (See [10, Theorem 3].) A necessary and sufficient condition that a non-negative function of intervals  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  have a non-negative completely additive extension is that it satisfy the following condition  $\mathfrak{C}$ : If  $\{I_n\}$  is any sequence of intervals in  $C_{\lambda}$  such that  $I_i \cdot I_j = 0$  when  $i \neq j$  and if  $\{J_m\}$  is any sequence of intervals in  $C_{\lambda}$  such that  $\sum_m J_m \supset \sum_n I_n$  then  $\sum_m \phi(J_m) \ge \sum_n \phi(I_n)$ .

THEOREM 2. A necessary and sufficient condition that a function of intervals  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$ , of arbitrary sign, have a completely additive extension is that it be the difference of two non-negative functions each of which satisfies condition  $\mathfrak{C}$ .

THEOREM 3. If  $[\Phi, K]$  is a completely additive extension of a function of intervals  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$ , then the value of the number  $\Phi(E)$ , where E is any Borel set, is uniquely determined by the function  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$ . If  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  is non-negative, then  $[\Phi, K]$  is also non-negative and for every Borel set E we have the characterization:  $\Phi(E) = g.1.b. \sum_{n} \phi(I_{n})$  for all sequences  $\{I_{n}\}$  such that  $\sum_{n} I_{n} \supset E$  and  $I_{n} \in C_{\lambda}$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \cdots$ .

- 1.3. Given a function of intervals  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$ , we extend the range of definition of  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  to include all elementary systems of intervals  $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}$  as follows:  $\phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}) = \sum \phi(I)$  where the sum is taken over  $I \in \mathcal{E}_{\lambda}$ . The function  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  is additive if for every  $I_{\lambda}$  and every  $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I_{\lambda}$  it is true that  $\phi(E_{\lambda}I_{\lambda}) = \phi(I_{\lambda})$ . If we replace  $\phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I_{\lambda}) = \phi(I_{\lambda})$  by  $\phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I_{\lambda}) \geq \phi(I_{\lambda})$  and then by  $\phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I_{\lambda}) \leq \phi(I_{\lambda})$  we obtain the definitions of a function which increases by subdivision and decreases by subdivision respectively. The function  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  is continuous if for every number  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists a number  $\delta > 0$  such that (i)  $|I_{\lambda}| < \delta$  implies  $|\phi(I_{\lambda})| < \epsilon$  and (ii)  $I_{\lambda 1} \subset I_{\lambda 2}$ ,  $|I_{\lambda 2} I_{\lambda 1}| < \delta$  imply  $|\phi(I_{\lambda 1}) \phi(I_{\lambda 2})| < \epsilon$ . It is observed that condition (ii) in this definition is a consequence of condition (i) if the function is additive and  $\lambda = 0$ . The function  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  is absolutely continuous if for every number  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists a number  $\delta > 0$  such that  $|\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}| < \delta$  implies  $|\phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda})| < \epsilon$ .
- 1.4. Given a function of intervals  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$ , we define for every interval I the following two numbers:

- (i)  $L(\phi, I) = \lim \inf \phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I)$  as  $||\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I|| \to 0$ ,
- (ii)  $U(\phi, I) = \limsup \phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I)$  as  $||\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I|| \to 0$ ,

and call these numbers, which are finite or infinite, the lower and upper integrals of  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  over the interval I respectively. Given any interval I, any number  $\lambda$  such that  $0 \le \lambda < 1$ , and any number  $\delta > 0$ , it is easily shown that there exists an  $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I$  such that  $||\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I|| < \delta$ . Consequently the lower and upper integrals are defined for every  $I \in C_0$ . In our bracket notation these functions (not necessarily finite) may be denoted by  $[L(\phi), C_0]$  and  $[U(\phi), C_0]$  respectively. In case  $L(\phi, I) = U(\phi, I)$  is a finite number, we denote the common value by  $F(\phi, I)$  and call it the integral of  $\phi$  over I. Defining the integral in this manner, that is, for a function of intervals defined on a class  $C_{\lambda}$ , makes it sufficiently flexible to include the integral in the extended sense of Burkill, the strong integral of Saks, and the regular integral of Kempisty, by suitably choosing  $\lambda(2)$ . If  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  is integrable over  $R_0$  then it is integrable over every  $I \in C_0$ . The indefinite integral, which we may denote by  $[F(\phi), C_0]$ , is an additive function of intervals.

A function of intervals  $[\phi, C_0]$  is said to be absolutely continuous in the restricted sense, briefly RAC, if the function  $[U(|\phi|), C_0]$  is continuous.

1.5. The following theorem was stated and proved by Burkill [2, p. 289] for an integral which, under the stated assumptions, reduces to the integral as defined in 1.4 if  $\lambda = 0$ .

THEOREM. If a function of intervals  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  is absolutely continuous and integrable, if E is a measurable set, and if  $\epsilon_n$ ,  $n=1, 2, \cdots$ , is any decreasing sequence of positive numbers approaching 0, and corresponding to each n, E is decomposed into  $\mathcal{E}_n + e_n' - e_n'$  where  $e_n'$  and  $e_n'$  are measurable sets such that  $|e_n'|$  and  $|e_n''|$  are each less than  $\epsilon_n$ , and  $\mathcal{E}_n$  is an elementary system of intervals, then as  $n \to \infty$ ,  $F(\phi, \mathcal{E}_n)$  approaches a limit which we call F(E) and which is independent of the particular decomposition of E for any n.

Burkill showed that the function F(E), which is defined for all measurable subsets of  $R_0$ , is an absolutely continuous, completely additive function of measurable sets, which for intervals reduces to the integral. This is a strong type of extension in the sense that if any interval I is given, and if E is any set satisfying the relation  $I^0 \subset E \subset I$ , then  $F(E) = F(\phi, I)$ . This property is a direct implication of the absolute continuity and additivity of the function  $[F(\phi), C_0]$ .

1.6. Burkill's result suggested the following type of extension. A completely additive set function  $[\Phi, B]$  defined for all Borel sets in  $R_0$  (briefly, an additive function of Borel sets) is a *B-extension* of a function  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  if  $\Phi(E) = \phi(I)$  for every  $I \in C_{\lambda}$  and for every Borel set E such that  $I^0 \subset E \subset I$ . In Part 3 we shall establish the following theorems:

<sup>(2)</sup> For Burkill's definition, see [2, p. 279]; for Saks's definition, see [11, p. 212]; for Kempisty's definition, see [6, p. 212].

THEOREM 4. A necessary and sufficient condition that a non-negative function of intervals  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  admit a non-negative B-extension is that it be an additive, continuous function.

THEOREM 5. A necessary and sufficient condition that a function of intervals  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  admit a B-extension is that it be additive and RAC.

THEOREM 6. A necessary and sufficient condition that the indefinite integral of an integrable function of intervals  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  admit a B-extension is that  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  be RAC.

## 2. Completely additive extensions of functions of intervals.

- 2.1. The necessity of condition  $\mathbb{C}$  in Theorem 1 is an immediate consequence of the following property of a completely additive set function: If  $[\Phi, K]$  is any non-negative completely additive set function, if  $\{e_n\}$  is any sequence of mutually exclusive sets in K, and if  $\{E_m\}$  is any sequence of sets in K such that  $\sum_m E_m \supset \sum_n e_n$  then  $\sum_m \Phi(E_m) \ge \sum_n \Phi(e_n)$ .
- 2.2. Let  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  be a non-negative function of intervals which satisfies condition  $\mathfrak{C}$ . For every set  $E \subset R_0$  we define

$$\bar{\phi}(E) = \text{g.l.b.} \sum_{n} \phi(I_{\lambda n})$$

for all sequences  $\{I_{\lambda n}\}$  such that  $\sum_{n}I_{\lambda n}\supset E$ . Obviously  $\phi(E)$  is a non-negative function. We shall show that it is an outer measure in the sense of Carathéodory (see [12, p. 43]), that is, we shall show that it satisfies the following conditions:

- (i)  $\phi(E_1) \leq \phi(E_2)$  whenever  $E_1 \subset E_2$ .
- (ii)  $\bar{\phi}(\sum_{n}E_{n}) \leq \sum_{n}\bar{\phi}(E_{n})$  for every sequence  $\{E_{n}\}$  of sets.
- (iii)  $\phi(E_1+E_2) = \phi(E_1) + \phi(E_2)$  whenever the distance from  $E_1$  to  $E_2$ , which we denote by  $d(E_1, E_2)$ , is greater than 0. Conditions (i) and (ii) follow directly from the definition of  $\phi(E)$  and from condition  $\mathfrak{C}$ . We proceed to establish condition (iii).

A transversal of  $R_0$ , denoted generically by t, is a closed line segment which is parallel to either the x-axis (a horizontal transversal) or to the y-axis (a vertical transversal), and which satisfies the following two conditions: (i) the end points of t lie on the boundary of  $R_0$ , (ii) the set which consists of t less its end points—denoted by  $t^0$ —is contained in  $R_0^0$ .

Given any interval  $I \in C_0$  we say that a subdivision  $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I$  is a  $\phi'$ -subdivision of I if the set of intervals in  $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I$  can be segregated into two sets, say  $I_1, I_2, \dots, I_n$  and  $J_1, J_2, \dots, J_m$ , such that  $I_i \cdot I_j = 0$  for  $i \neq j$  and  $J_i \cdot J_j = 0$  for  $i \neq j$ . Given a transversal t, it may be verified that there exist intervals I such that  $I \supset t$ ,  $I^0 \supset t^0$ , and such that I has a  $\phi'$ -subdivision. A  $\phi'$ -subdivision of an interval I, where  $I \supset t$ ,  $I^0 \supset t^0$ , is called a  $\phi'$ -covering of t. For every transversal t we define  $\phi'(t) = g.l.b.$   $\phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I)$  for all elementary systems  $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I$ 

which are  $\phi'$ -coverings of t. It follows from condition  $\mathfrak{C}$  that there are at most a denumerable number of transversals t for which  $\phi'(t) > 0$ .

Let  $I_0$  be any interval in  $C_{\lambda}$ ; let  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n$  be a finite number of horizontal transversals and  $t_{n+1}, \dots, t_m$  a finite number of vertical transversals such that  $t_i \cdot I_0^0 \neq 0$  for  $i=1, \dots, m$ . These transversals determine a subdivision of  $I_0$  into (n+1)(m+1) intervals, say  $I_1, I_2, \dots, I_k$ . We shall say that this elementary system is a regular subdivision of  $I_0$  if  $\phi'(t_i) = 0$  for  $i=1, 2, \dots, m$ , and  $I_i \in C_{\lambda}$  for  $i=1, 2, \dots, k$ . Given a number  $\delta > 0$  it may be shown that there exists a regular subdivision of  $I_0$ —say  $\mathcal{E}I_0$ —such that  $\|\mathcal{E}I_0\| < \delta$ .

Let I be one of the intervals in a regular subdivision of an interval  $I_0 \in C_\lambda$ . Let  $I^*$  denote the set  $I^0 + b(I_0) \cdot I$ . The set  $I - I^*$  is the sum of k,  $1 \le k \le 4$ , line segments. Let  $t_1$ ,  $t_2$ ,  $\cdots$ ,  $t_k$  be the set of transversals such that  $t_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, k$ , contains one of the line segments in  $I - I^*$ . Given  $\epsilon > 0$  let  $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda_i} J_i$  be a  $\phi'$ -covering of  $t_i$  such that  $\phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda_i} J_i) < \epsilon/4$ . Let  $J \in C_\lambda$  be an interval such that  $I^* \supset J$  and  $I \subset J + J_1 + \cdots + J_k$ . It follows from condition  $\mathfrak{C}$  that  $\phi(I) \le \phi(J) + \phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda_1} J_1) + \cdots + \phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda_k} J_k) < \phi(J) + \epsilon$ .

Let  $I_1, I_2, \dots, I_k$  be the intervals in a regular subdivision of  $I_0 \in C_{\lambda}$ . Given  $\epsilon > 0$ , let  $J_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, k$ , be an interval in  $C_{\lambda}$  such that  $I_i^* \supset J_i$  and  $\phi(I_i) < \phi(J_i) + \epsilon/k$ . From condition  $\mathfrak{C}$  it follows that

$$\phi(I_0) \leq \sum_{i=1}^k \phi(I_i) < \sum_{i=1}^k \phi(J_i) + \epsilon \leq \phi(I_0) + \epsilon.$$

Since  $\epsilon > 0$  is arbitrary it follows that  $\phi(I_0) = \phi(I_1) + \cdots + \phi(I_k)$ . Thus  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  is additive over regular subdivisions.

Let E be any set in  $R_0$  and, given  $\epsilon > 0$ , let  $\{I_n\}$  be a sequence of intervals in  $C_\lambda$  such that  $\sum_n I_n \supset E$  and  $\delta(E) > \sum_n \phi(I_n) - \epsilon$ . Given  $\delta > 0$  let  $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda n} I_n$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \cdots$ , be a regular subdivision of  $I_n$  such that  $\|\mathcal{E}_{\lambda n} I_n\| < \delta$ . Arrange the set of intervals J such that  $J \in \mathcal{E}_{\lambda n} I_n$  for some integer n into a sequence  $\{J_m\}$ . Then  $\sum_m J_m \supset E$ ;  $\delta(E) > \sum_m \phi(J) - \epsilon$ ; and  $\|J_m\| < \delta$  for  $m = 1, 2, \cdots$ .

Let  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  be any two sets such that  $d(E_1, E_2) = \delta > 0$ , and let there be given a number  $\epsilon > 0$ . Let  $\{I_n\}$  be a sequence of intervals in  $C_\lambda$  such that  $\sum_n I_n \supset E_1 + E_2$ ,  $||I_n|| < \delta$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \cdots$ , and  $\phi(E_1 + E_2) > \sum_n \phi(I_n) - \epsilon$ . Let  $I_{1i}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \cdots$ , be the intervals in  $\{I_n\}$  such that  $I_{1i} \cdot E_1 \neq 0$ . Let  $I_{2i}$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \cdots$ , be the remainder of the intervals in  $\{I_n\}$ . Then  $\sum_i I_{1i} \supset E_1$ ;  $\sum_j I_{2j} \supset E_2$  and  $\phi(E_1) + \phi(E_2) \leq \sum_i \phi(I_{1i}) + \sum_j \phi(I_{2j}) = \sum_n \phi(I_n) < \phi(E_1 + E_2) + \epsilon$ . Since  $\epsilon > 0$  is arbitrary it follows that  $\phi(E_1) + \phi(E_2) \leq \phi(E_1 + E_2)$ . This result together with condition (ii) establishes condition (iii) in the definition of outer Carathéodory measure.

Applying the theory of outer Carathéodory measure (see [12, chap. 2]) we may now complete our proof of Theorem 1. A set E is  $\phi$ -measurable if  $\overline{\phi}(P+Q) = \overline{\phi}(P) + \overline{\phi}(Q)$  for every pair of sets P and Q contained, respectively, in the set E and in its complement CE. The class of all sets which are  $\phi$ -meas-

urable—we denote it by  $K_{\phi}$ —is an additive class in the sense of Saks, that is, (i) it contains the empty set, (ii) if  $E \in K_{\phi}$  then  $CE \in K_{\phi}$ , and (iii) if  $\{E_n\}$  is a sequence of sets in  $K_{\phi}$ , then  $\sum_n E_n$  is a set in  $K_{\phi}$ . Furthermore, the class  $K_{\phi}$  contains all sets which are open relative to  $R_0$ . Thus  $K_{\phi}$  is a closed class of sets (1.2). The function  $[\bar{\phi}, K_{\phi}]$  is a completely additive set function; it is non-negative; and it follows from condition  $\mathfrak{C}$  that  $\bar{\phi}(I) = \phi(I)$  for every  $I \in C_{\lambda}$ . Thus  $[\bar{\phi}, K_{\phi}]$  is a non-negative completely additive extension of the function  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$ . This completes a proof of Theorem 1; we proceed to outline a proof of Theorem 2.

2.3. Let  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  be a function of intervals and let  $[\Phi, K]$  be a completely additive extension of  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$ . Then  $[\Phi, K]$  is the difference of two non-negative completely additive set functions (see [13, p. 90]), call them  $[\Phi_1, K]$  and  $[\Phi_2, K]$ . We suppose that  $\Phi(E) = \Phi_1(E) - \Phi_2(E)$  for every set  $E \in K$ . Each of the functions  $[\Phi_i, K]$ , i=1, 2, satisfies the condition stated in 2.1; in particular, each of the functions  $[\Phi_i, C_{\lambda}]$  satisfies condition  $\mathfrak{C}$ . But  $\phi(I_{\lambda}) = \Phi_1(I_{\lambda}) = \Phi_1(I_{\lambda}) - \Phi_2(I_{\lambda})$ ; thus the condition in Theorem 2 is necessary.

Let  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$ ,  $[\phi_1, C_{\lambda}]$ ,  $[\phi_2, C_{\lambda}]$  be finite, single-valued functions of intervals. We assume that  $[\phi_1, C_{\lambda}]$  and  $[\phi_2, C_{\lambda}]$  are non-negative functions each of which satisfies condition  $\mathfrak{C}$  and that  $\phi(I) = \phi_1(I) - \phi_2(I)$  for every  $I \in C_{\lambda}$ . Let  $[\Phi_1, K_1]$  and  $[\Phi_2, K_2]$  be non-negative completely additive extensions of  $[\phi_1, C_{\lambda}]$  and  $[\phi_2, C_{\lambda}]$  respectively. Let K denote the closed class  $K_1 \cdot K_2$ . For every set  $E \in K$  we define  $\Phi(E) = \Phi_1(E) - \Phi_2(E)$ . The function  $[\Phi, K]$  is completely additive, and furthermore, the relation

$$\phi(I) = \phi_1(I) - \phi_2(I) = \Phi_1(I) - \Phi_2(I) = \Phi(I)$$

holds for every  $I \in C_{\lambda}$ . Thus  $[\Phi, K]$  is a completely additive extension of  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$ . This establishes the sufficiency of the condition in Theorem 2.

2.4(\*). Let  $[\Phi, B]$  be a non-negative additive function of Borel sets (1.6). For every set  $E \in B$  define  $\phi(E) = g.l.b. \sum_n \Phi(I_n)$  for all sequences  $\{I_n\}$  of intervals in  $C_\lambda$  such that  $\sum_n I_n \supset E$ . The function  $[\Phi, B]$  is a non-negative completely additive extension of the function  $[\Phi, C_\lambda]$ . Therefore  $[\Phi, C_\lambda]$  satisfies condition  $\mathbb S$  and the function  $\phi(E)$  is completely additive on the class of all Borel sets. It follows from the definition of  $\phi(E)$  and from condition  $\mathbb S$  that  $\phi(R_0) = \Phi(R_0)$  and that  $\phi(E) \supseteq \Phi(E)$  for every  $E \subseteq B$ . Thus, for  $E \subseteq B$ , we have  $\phi(E) \supseteq \Phi(E)$ ,  $\phi(CE) \supseteq \Phi(CE)$ , and  $\phi(E) + \phi(CE) = \phi(R_0) = \Phi(R_0) = \Phi(E) + \Phi(CE)$ . Obviously then,  $\phi(E) = \Phi(E)$ .

2.5. Let  $[\Phi_1, B]$  and  $[\Phi_2, B]$  be any two non-negative additive functions of Borel sets and suppose that  $\Phi_1(I) \ge \Phi_2(I)$  for every  $I \in C_\lambda$ . For  $E \in B$  and for i = 1, 2, define  $\phi_i(E) = g.l.b.$   $\sum_n \Phi_i(I_n)$  for all sequences  $\{I_n\}$  such that  $\sum_n I_n \supset E$ . From 2.4 it follows that  $\phi_i(E) = \Phi_i(E)$  for every  $E \in B$ . But  $\phi_1(E) \ge \phi_2(E)$ , and hence  $\Phi_1(E) \ge \Phi_2(E)$ .

<sup>(3)</sup> The proof of Theorem 3 as presented here in §§2.4-2.7 was suggested by Professor Earl Mickle. For another treatment of the uniqueness of a completely additive extension, see [9].

2.6. Let  $[\Phi_1, B]$  and  $[\Phi_2, B]$  be any two additive functions of Borel sets such that  $\Phi_1(I_{\lambda}) \geq \Phi_2(I_{\lambda})$  for every  $I_{\lambda} \in C_{\lambda}$ . We express each of the functions  $\Phi_1$ ,  $\Phi_2$  as the difference of two non-negative additive functions of Borel sets:

$$\Phi_1(E) = \Phi_{11}(E) - \Phi_{12}(E); \qquad \Phi_2(E) = \Phi_{21}(E) - \Phi_{22}(E).$$

Then for  $I \in C_{\lambda}$  we have  $\Phi_{11}(I) - \Phi_{12}(I) = \Phi_{1}(I) \ge \Phi_{2}(I) = \Phi_{21}(I) - \Phi_{22}(I)$  and  $\Phi_{11}(I) + \Phi_{22}(I) \ge \Phi_{12}(I) + \Phi_{21}(I)$ . From 2.5 it follows that if  $E \in B$  then  $\Phi_{11}(E) + \Phi_{22}(E) \ge \Phi_{12}(E) + \Phi_{21}(E)$ . From this it follows immediately that  $\Phi_{1}(E) \ge \Phi_{2}(E)$ .

- 2.7. Let  $[\Phi_1, K]$  and  $[\Phi_2, K]$  be two completely additive extensions of a function  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$ . Then  $\Phi_1(I) = \Phi_2(I) = \phi(I)$  for every  $I \in C_{\lambda}$ . It follows from 2.6 that  $\Phi_1(E) = \Phi_2(E)$  for every  $E \in B$ . In other words, if  $[\Phi, K]$  is a completely additive extension of a function  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$ , and if  $E \in B$ , then the value of  $\Phi(E)$  is uniquely determined by the function  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$ . If  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  is nonnegative, the number  $\Phi(E)$  has the characterization as defined in 2.2. Thus we have established Theorem 3.
- 3. **B-extensions.** This part contains our results on the B-extension as stated in  $\S1.6$ . In  $\S\S3.1$  and 3.2 we state and prove two lemmas which are used in the proofs of the main theorems.
- 3.1. Let  $[\Phi, B]$  be a completely additive extension of a function of intervals  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$ . A necessary and sufficient condition that  $[\Phi, B]$  be a B-extension of  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  is that  $\Phi(I) = \Phi(I^{0})$  for every  $I \in C_{0}$ .

**Proof.** Let  $[\Phi, B]$  be a B-extension of  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$ . Then  $\Phi(I) = \Phi(I^{0})$  for every  $I \in C_{\lambda}$ . Let  $I \in C_{0}$  and let  $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}$  be a subdivision of I into the intervals  $I_{1}, \dots, I_{n}$ . Express the set  $I - I^{0}$  as the sum of mutually exclusive Borel sets  $E_{1} + E_{2} + \dots + E_{n}$  where  $E_{i} \subset I_{i} - I_{i}^{0}$ ;  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Since  $\Phi(E_{i}) = 0$  it follows that  $\Phi(I - I^{0}) = 0$  and that  $\Phi(I) = \Phi(I^{0})$ .

Let  $[\Phi, K]$  be a completely additive extension of  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  and assume that  $\Phi(I) = \Phi(I^0)$  for every  $I \in C_0$ . Let  $i, i \subset R_0$ , be any closed linear interval which is parallel to either the x- or the y-axis. Let  $I_1 \supset I_2 \supset \cdots$  be a descending sequence of intervals in  $C_0$  such that  $\prod_n I_n = i$  and  $\prod_n I_n^0$  is the empty set. It follows from the additivity of  $[\Phi, B]$  that

$$0 = \lim_{n} \Phi(I_n^0) = \lim_{n} \Phi(I_n) = \Phi(i).$$

Let t be a transversal or a boundary segment of  $R_0$ . The function  $\Phi(E)$  where  $E \in B$ ,  $E \subset t$  is a completely additive extension of the function of linear intervals  $\Phi(i)$  where  $i \subset t$ . But such an extension is unique on Borel sets. Therefore, since  $\Phi(i) = 0$ , it follows that  $\Phi(E) = 0$  for  $E \in B$ ,  $E \subset t$ . Let I be any interval in  $C_{\lambda}$  and let  $E \in B$  be any set such that  $I^0 \subset E \subset I$ . Then  $\Phi(I - E) = 0$  and it follows that

$$\phi(I) = \Phi(I) = \Phi(I - E) + \Phi(E) = \Phi(E).$$

Thus  $[\Phi, B]$  is a B-extension of  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$ .

3.2. If a function of intervals  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  admits a *B*-extension, then  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  is additive.

**Proof.** Let  $[\Phi, B]$  be a *B*-extension of  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$ . Let  $I_{\lambda}$  and  $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I_{\lambda}$  be given. Denote the intervals in  $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I_{\lambda}$  by  $I_{1}, I_{2}, \dots, I_{n}$ . Then

$$\phi(I_{\lambda}) = \Phi(I_{\lambda}^{0}) \geq \sum_{i=1}^{n} \Phi(I_{i}^{0}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \phi(I_{i}).$$

But  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} I_i \supset I_{\lambda}$ . It follows from condition  $\mathfrak{C}$  that  $\phi(I_{\lambda}) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} \phi(I_i)$ . Thus  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  is additive. If we extend the range of definition of  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  from  $C_{\lambda}$  to  $C_{0}$  by defining  $\phi(I) = \Phi(I)$ , then the function  $[\phi, C_{0}]$  is also additive.

3.3. We proceed to a proof of Theorem 4. Let  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  be a non-negative function of intervals and let  $[\Phi, B]$  be a non-negative B-extension of  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$ . Extend the range of definition of  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  from  $C_{\lambda}$  to  $C_{0}$  by defining  $\phi(I) = \Phi(I)$  for all  $I \subset C_{0}$ . Let  $R_{*}$  be a fixed interval such that  $R_{*}^{0} \supset R_{0}$ . Let  $C_{*}$  denote the class of all intervals  $I \subset R_{*}$ . Define the function  $[\phi_{*}, C_{*}]$  by the relation  $\phi_{*}(I) = \phi(I \cdot R_{0})$  if  $I \cdot R_{0}$  is an interval in  $C_{0}$ ; by the relation  $\phi_{*}(I) = 0$  for all other  $I \subset C_{*}$ . Let  $B_{*}$  denote the class of all Borel sets  $E \subset R_{*}$  and define the function  $[\Phi_{*}, B_{*}]$  by the relation  $\Phi_{*}(E) = \Phi(E \cdot R_{0})$  for every  $E \subset B_{*}$ . Then  $[\Phi_{*}, B_{*}]$  is a non-negative B-extension of  $[\phi_{*}, C_{*}]$ . Let t be any transversal of  $R_{0}$  or a closed boundary segment of  $R_{0}$ . Let  $\{I_{n}\}$  be a sequence of intervals in  $C_{*}$  such that  $\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} I_{n}^{0} = t$ . Then

$$\lim_{n} \phi_{*}(I_{n}) = \lim_{n} \Phi_{*}(I_{n}) = \lim_{n} \Phi_{*}(I_{n}^{0}) = \Phi_{*}(t) = \Phi(t) = 0.$$

Given  $\epsilon > 0$  let each vertical transversal of  $R_0$  and each of the two vertical sides of  $R_0$  be covered by an open interval  $I^0$  such that  $I \in C_*$  and  $\phi_*(I) < \epsilon$ . Then the closed set  $R_0$  is covered by this class of open intervals. A finite number of these open intervals, say  $I_1^0, I_2^0, \cdots, I_n^0$ , suffice to cover  $R_0$ . Let  $t_1$ ,  $t_2$  denote the vertical boundary segments of  $R_0$  and let  $t_3$ ,  $t_4$ ,  $\cdots$ ,  $t_m$  be the set of vertical transversals of Ro which lie on the boundaries of the intervals  $I_i$ ,  $i=1, \dots, n$ . Let  $\delta_1$  be the minimum of the numbers  $d(t_i \cdot t_j)$ where  $i \neq j$  and  $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, m$ . Let  $I \in C_0$  be any interval whose horizontal dimension is less than  $\delta_1$ . Then  $I \subset I_i$  for some integer  $i, i = 1, \dots, n$ , and it follows that  $\phi(I) = \phi_*(I) \leq \phi_*(I_i) < \epsilon$ . Similarly we may show that there exists a number  $\delta_2 > 0$  such that if  $I \in C_0$  is an interval whose vertical dimension is less than  $\delta_2$  then  $\phi(I) < \epsilon$ . Let  $\delta_3 = \min (\delta_1, \delta_2)$ , let  $\delta$  be a number such that  $0 < \delta < \delta_3^2$ , and let  $I \in C_0$  be any interval such that  $|I| < \delta$ . Then at least one dimension of I is less than  $\delta_3$  and it follows that  $\phi(I) < \epsilon$ . Condition (ii) in the definition of continuity follows from the additivity of  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  which was established in 3.2. Thus the condition in Theorem 4 is necessary.

3.4. Let  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  be a non-negative, additive, continuous function of intervals. Let I be any interval in  $C_0$  and let  $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I$  and  $\mathcal{J}_{\lambda}I$  be any two subdivisions

of I. Complete the elementary system  $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I$  with an elementary system of intervals  $G_{\lambda}$  to a subdivision of  $R_0$ . The system  $\mathcal{J}_{\lambda} + G_{\lambda}$  also forms a subdivision of  $R_0$  and we have that  $\phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}) + \phi(G_{\lambda}) = \phi(R_0) = \phi(\mathcal{J}_{\lambda}) + \phi(G_{\lambda})$ . Thus  $\phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}) = \phi(\mathcal{J}_{\lambda})$ . We extend the range of definition of  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  from  $C_{\lambda}$  to  $C_0$  by defining  $\phi(I) = \phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I)$ , where  $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I$  is any subdivision of  $I \in C_0$ . The function  $[\phi, C_0]$  is non-negative and additive. Using the definitional properties of continuity on the class  $C_{\lambda}$ , the additivity on the class  $C_0$ , and a technique similar to that employed in 3.3, it may be proved that  $[\phi, C_0]$  is a continuous function.

From the non-negative and additive properties of  $[\phi, C_0]$  it follows that  $[\phi, C_0]$  satisfies the following condition  $\mathfrak{C}'$ : If  $I_1, I_2, \dots, I_n$  is a finite set of intervals in  $C_0$  such that  $I_i \cdot I_j = 0$  when  $i \neq j$ , and if  $J_1, J_2, \dots, J_m$  is a finite set of intervals in  $C_0$  such that  $\sum_{j=1}^{m} J_j \supset \sum_{i=1}^{n} I_i$ , then  $\sum_{j=1}^{m} \phi(J_j) \ge \sum_{i=1}^{n} \phi(I_i)$ .

We shall show that  $[\phi, C_0]$  satisfies condition  $\mathfrak E$  as stated in Theorem 1. Let  $R_*$  be a fixed interval such that  $R_*^0 \supset R_0$ . Let the class  $C_*$  and the function  $[\phi_*, C_*]$  be defined as in 3.3. Then  $[\phi_*, C_*]$  is a continuous, additive function. Let  $I_1, I_2, \cdots, I_n$  be a finite set of mutually exclusive intervals in  $C_0$  and let  $J_1, J_2, \cdots$  be an infinite sequence of intervals in  $C_0$  such that  $\sum_{j=1}^n J_j \supset \sum_{i=1}^n I_i$ . Given  $\epsilon > 0$ , let  $R_i, i=1, 2, \cdots$ , be an interval in  $C_*$  such that  $R_i^0 \supset J_i$  and  $\phi_*(R_i) < \phi_*(J_i) + \epsilon/2^i$ . Then  $\sum_{j=1}^n R_j^0 \supset \sum_{i=1}^n I_i$ . Since the set  $\sum_{i=1}^n I_i$  is closed it follows that there is an integer m such that  $\sum_{j=1}^m R_j^0 \supset \sum_{i=1}^n I_i$ . Thus we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \phi(I_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \phi_*(I_i) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{m} \phi_*(R_i) < \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \phi_*(J_i) + \epsilon = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \phi(J_i) + \epsilon.$$

$$\Phi(I) = \phi(I) < \phi(J) + \epsilon = \Phi(J) + \epsilon = \Phi(I^0) + \epsilon.$$

Since  $\epsilon > 0$  is arbitrary, it follows that  $\Phi(I) = \Phi(I^0)$  and from 3.1 it follows that  $[\Phi, B]$  is a B-extension of  $[\phi, C_0]$ ; obviously it is also a B-extension of the function  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$ . Thus the condition in Theorem 4 is sufficient.

3.5. Given a function of intervals  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  and a transversal t of  $R_0$  we define (4):

 $A(t) = \lim \sup \left[ \phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}) - \phi(\mathcal{I}_{\lambda}) \right]$  for all  $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}$  and  $\mathcal{I}_{\lambda}$  such that  $\|\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}\| \to 0$ ,

<sup>(4)</sup> This definition is an extension of the concept of ecart as employed by Saks for functions of linear intervals. See [11, p. 211].

 $\|\mathcal{J}_{\lambda}\| \to 0$ , and  $I \cdot t \neq 0$  for all  $I \in \mathcal{E}_{\lambda}$  and  $I \in \mathcal{J}_{\lambda}$ .

 $a(t) = \liminf \left[\phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}) - \phi(\mathcal{I}_{\lambda})\right]$  for all  $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}$  and  $\mathcal{I}_{\lambda}$  as in the definition of A(t). The numbers  $\Omega(t) = 2^{-1}[A(t) + |A(t)|] \ge 0$  and  $\omega(t) = 2^{-1}[a(t) - |a(t)|] \le 0$  are called the non-negative and non-positive *ecarts* of  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  on t. If both  $\Omega(t) = 0$  and  $\omega(t) = 0$ , then t is a transversal of zero ecart; otherwise t is a transversal of nonzero ecart.

Let  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  be a function of intervals which is RAC, that is, the function  $[U(|\phi|), C_0]$  is continuous. Let t be a transversal of  $R_0$ . Given  $\epsilon > 0$ , let I be an interval in  $C_0$  such that  $I^0 \supset t^0$ ,  $I \supset t$ , and  $U(|\phi|, I) < \epsilon/4$ . Let  $\eta > 0$  be a number such that  $||\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I|| < \eta$  implies  $|\phi| (\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I) < U(|\phi|, I) + \epsilon/4$ . Then if  $\mathcal{I}_{\lambda 1}$  and  $\mathcal{I}_{\lambda 2}$  are any two elementary systems such that  $||\mathcal{I}_{\lambda i}|| < \eta$ , i = 1, 2, and  $I \subset I$  for every interval  $I \subset \mathcal{I}_{\lambda i}$ , we have

$$|\phi|(\mathcal{J}_{\lambda i}) < U(|\phi|, I) + \epsilon/4 < \epsilon/2.$$

Thus  $|\phi(\mathcal{J}_{\lambda 1}) - \phi(\mathcal{J}_{\lambda 2})| \leq |\phi|(\mathcal{J}_{\lambda 1}) + |\phi|(\mathcal{J}_{\lambda 2}) < \epsilon$ . Since  $\epsilon > 0$  is arbitrary, it follows that A(t) = a(t) = 0 and  $R_0$  has no transversals of nonzero exart.

3.6. If  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  increases (decreases) by subdivision and is RAC, then  $U(\phi, I)$  ( $L(\phi, I)$ ) is finite and additive.

**Proof.** Since  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  increases by subdivision, it follows from a theorem of Kempisty that  $U(\phi, I) > -\infty$  for all  $I \in C_0$  and that  $U(\phi, I)$  is additive. It follows from the continuity of  $U(|\phi|, I)$  that  $U(\phi, I)$  is also a continuous function. Let  $\delta > 0$  be a number such that  $|I| < \delta$  implies  $U(\phi, I) < 1$ . Let  $\mathcal{E}I_0$  be a subdivision of a fixed interval  $I_0$  into intervals I such that  $|I| < \delta$ . It follows that  $U(\phi, I_0)$  is less than the number of intervals in  $\mathcal{E}I_0$ .

If  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  decreases by subdivision, the result follows as a corollary if we consider the function  $[-\phi, C_{\lambda}]$ .

3.7. If  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  is RAC and increases (decreases) by subdivision, then  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  is integrable.

**Proof.** Let  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  be an RAC function which increases by subdivision. Then by 3.6,  $U(\phi, R_0)$  is a finite number. Given  $\epsilon > 0$ , let  $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}R_0$  be a subdivision of  $R_0$  such that  $\phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}R_0) > U(\phi, R_0) - \epsilon$ . Let  $\{\mathcal{E}_{\lambda m}R_0\}$  be a sequence of subdivisions of  $R_0$  such that  $\|\mathcal{E}_{\lambda m}R_0\| \to_m 0$  and  $\phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda m}R_0) \to_m L(\phi, R_0)$ . Let  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_k$  be the set of all transversals of  $R_0$  such that  $t_i, i=1, \dots, k$ , contains at least one boundary segment of an interval  $I \in \mathcal{E}_{\lambda}R_0$ . Let  $\mathcal{I}_m$ ,  $m=1, 2, \dots, k$ , and all of the boundary segments of intervals  $I \in \mathcal{E}_{\lambda m}$ . Let  $T = \sum_{i=1}^k t_i$  and let  $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda m}^T$  be the elementary system consisting of all the intervals I such that  $I \in \mathcal{E}_{\lambda m}$  and  $I \cdot T \neq 0$ . Each interval I in  $\mathcal{I}_m$  which is in the class  $C_0 - C_\lambda$  is contained in an interval  $I \in \mathcal{E}_{\lambda m}^T$ . We replace each such interval  $I \in \mathcal{I}_m$  by a subdivision  $\mathfrak{R}_{\lambda}I$  and denote the resulting elementary system by  $\mathcal{I}_{\lambda m}$ . Let  $\mathcal{I}_{\lambda m}^T$  denote the elementary system of intervals I such that  $I \in \mathcal{I}_{\lambda m}$  and I is contained in some interval  $I \in \mathcal{E}_{m \lambda}^T$ . The elementary systems  $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda m} - \mathcal{E}_{\lambda m}^T$  and  $\mathcal{I}_{\lambda m} - \mathcal{I}_{\lambda m}^T$  are identical. Therefore  $\phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda m}) - \phi(\mathcal{I}_{\lambda m})$ 

 $=\phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda m}^T)-\phi(\mathcal{J}_{\lambda m}^T)$ . It follows from 3.5 that  $\lim_m \left[\phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda m}^T)-\phi(\mathcal{J}_{\lambda m}^T)\right]=0$ . Thus  $\lim_m \phi(\mathcal{J}_{\lambda m})=\lim_m \phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda m})=L(\phi,\,R_0)$ . Since  $[\phi,\,C_\lambda]$  increases by subdivision we have

$$\phi(\mathcal{J}_{\lambda m}) \geq \phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}) > U(R_0) - \epsilon, \qquad m = 1, 2, \cdots.$$

Therefore  $L(\phi, R_0) = \lim_m \phi(\mathcal{J}_{\lambda m}) > U(\phi, R_0) - \epsilon$  and it follows that  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  is integrable. The case in which  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  decreases by subdivision follows as an immediate corollary since the function  $[-\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  increases by subdivision.

3.8. We proceed to the proof of Theorem 5. Let  $[\Phi, B]$  be a B-extension of the function of intervals  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$ . Express the function  $[\Phi, B]$  as the difference of two non-negative additive functions of Borel sets, say  $[\Phi_1, B]$  and  $[\Phi_2, B]$ , where  $\Phi(E) = \Phi_1(E) - \Phi_2(E)$ ,  $E \in B$ . For i = 1, 2 and  $I \in C_0$  define  $\phi_i(I) = \Phi_i(I)$ . Then  $[\phi_1, C_0]$  and  $[\phi_2, C_0]$  are non-negative additive functions of intervals, and  $[\Phi_1, B]$ ,  $[\Phi_2, B]$  are non-negative B-extensions of  $[\phi_1, C_0]$ ,  $[\phi_2, C_0]$  respectively. It follows from Theorem 4 that  $[\phi_1, C_0]$ ,  $[\phi_2, C_0]$  are continuous functions. Since  $|\phi(I_{\lambda})| \leq \phi_1(I_{\lambda}) + \phi_2(I_{\lambda})$  for every  $I \in C_{\lambda}$  it follows that  $U(|\phi|, I) \leq U(\phi_1, I) + U(\phi_2, I) = \phi_1(I) + \phi_2(I)$  for every  $I \in C_0$ . Thus  $U(|\phi|, I)$  is a continuous function, that is, the function  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  is RAC. The necessity of the condition in Theorem 5 follows from this result and 3.2.

Let  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  be an additive, RAC function of intervals. For every  $I \in C_{\lambda}$  define  $\phi_1(I) = 2^{-1} [\phi(I) + |\phi(I)|]$ ,  $\phi_2(I) = 2^{-1} [|\phi(I)| - \phi(I)]$ . Then  $[\phi_1, C_{\lambda}]$ ,  $[\phi_2, C_{\lambda}]$  are non-negative functions and  $\phi(I_{\lambda}) = \phi_1(I_{\lambda}) - \phi_2(I_{\lambda})$  for every  $I \in C_{\lambda}$ . It is readily proved that  $[\phi_1, C_{\lambda}]$ ,  $[\phi_2, C_{\lambda}]$  are RAC and increase by subdivision. It follows from 3.7 that they are integrable. Their indefinite integrals, denoted by  $[F_1, C_0]$  and  $[F_2, C_0]$  respectively, are continuous, additive functions. Let  $[\Phi_1, B]$  and  $[\Phi_2, B]$  denote the B-extensions of  $[F_1, C_0]$  and  $[F_2, C_0]$  respectively. For every  $E \in B$  define  $\Phi(E) = \Phi_1(E) - \Phi_2(E)$ . For  $I \in C_{\lambda}$  we have  $\phi(I) = \phi_1(I) - \phi_2(I) = \Phi_1(I) - \Phi_2(I) = \Phi(I)$ . For  $I \in C_0$  we have  $\Phi(I) = \Phi_1(I) - \Phi_2(I) = \Phi_1(I) - \Phi_2(I) = \Phi(I^0)$ . It follows from 3.1 that  $[\Phi, B]$  is a B-extension of  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$ .

3.9. If  $[\phi, C_{\lambda}]$  is integrable, then  $U(|\phi|, I) = U(|F(\phi)|, I)$  for every  $I \in C_0$ .

**Proof.** Given a number  $\epsilon > 0$  let  $\delta > 0$  be a number such that  $\|\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}\| < \delta$  implies  $|\phi(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}) - F(\phi, \mathcal{E}_{\lambda})| < \epsilon/2$  (see [6, Theorem 3]). Given an interval  $I_0 \in C_0$  let  $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I_0$  be a subdivision of  $I_0$  which consists of the intervals  $I_1, \dots, I_n$ , and which is such that  $\|\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I_0\| < \delta$ . Let  $\mathcal{E}_1$  consist of the intervals  $I \in \mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I_0$  which satisfy the relation  $\phi(I) - F(\phi, I) \ge 0$  and let  $\mathcal{E}_2$  consist of the intervals  $I \in \mathcal{E}_{\lambda}I_0$  which satisfy the relation  $\phi(I) - F(\phi, I) < 0$ . Then  $|\phi(\mathcal{E}_i) - F(\phi, \mathcal{E}_i)| < \epsilon/2$ , i = 1, 2, and  $\sum_{i=1}^n |\phi(I_i) - F(\phi, I_i)| < \epsilon$ . But  $|F(\phi, I_i)| \le |\phi(I_i)| + |F(\phi, I_i) - \phi(I_i)|$ ;

$$|\phi(I_i)| \leq |F(\phi, I_i)| + |F(\phi, I_i) - \phi(I_i)|.$$

Therefore  $||F(\phi, I_i)| - |\phi(I_i)|| \le |F(\phi, I_i) - \phi(I_i)|$ , and  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} |F(\phi, I_i)|$ 

- $-|\phi(I_i)|| < \epsilon$ . It follows that  $U(|\phi|, I_0) = U(|F(\phi)|, I_0)$ .
- 3.10. Since the integral of a function of intervals is additive, it follows from Theorem 5 that: A necessary and sufficient condition that the integral of a function of intervals admit a B-extension is that the integral be RAC. Theorem 6 follows immediately from 3.9.

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