

Sigma limits and applications

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Sigma limits in 2-categories [1] interpolate between lax and pseudolimits, but unlike them they satisfy: any weighted σ -limit admits an expression as a conical σ -limit. This fact allows to extend two classical results which involve (conical) limits to 2-dimensional category theory as follows:

- A characterization of $\mathcal{C}at$ -valued flat pseudofunctors as σ -filtered σ -colimits of representables [1].
- A limit lifting theorem for the 2-category of algebras of a 2-monad [2].

I will explain the basic concepts involved in the statements above, and mention other intended applications of these limits.

References

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