

Suppose also that $(\beta_{AB}^1 \kappa_{AB}^1) \cdot (1_{\kappa_{AB}^1} \alpha_{AB}^1) = 1_{\kappa_{AB}^1}$, and $(1_{\lambda_{AB}^1} \beta_{AB}^1) \cdot (\alpha_{AB}^1 \lambda_{AB}^1) = 1_{\lambda_{AB}^1}$, ("triangle equalities"). (And if desired, suppose that the "usual coherence conditions" hold.) Then we say $F \xrightarrow[R]{\quad} G$ is a Rax adjunction.

DEFINITION 2. If we reverse the directions of the natural transformations k_{fB} , $k_{A'g}$, ℓ_{fB} , $\ell_{A'g}$, α_{AB} , β_{AB} in Definition 1, and replace the triangle equalities with $(\kappa\alpha) \cdot (\beta\kappa) = \kappa$, $(\alpha\lambda) \cdot (\lambda\beta) = \lambda$ then $F \xrightarrow[L]{\quad} G$ is a Lax adjunction. (We modify the "usual coherence conditions" suitably, of course.)

PROPOSITION $\Pi \times \Pi \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{V} \\ \xleftarrow{\Delta} \\ \xrightarrow{\&} \end{array} \Pi$

are lax 2-functors, as above. Furthermore,

$$V \xrightarrow[R]{\quad} \Delta, \quad \Delta \xrightarrow[L]{\quad} \&.$$

REMARK Analogously, Ξ (and equality, if we wish to include it) is also a Rax left adjoint to the suitable "diagonal", and V is a Lax right adjoint. However, \triangleright has some of the properties of both types of weak adjunction; this is discussed in [S2].

The core of the proof is given by the following table:

	\underline{V}	$\underline{\&}$	$\underline{\triangleright}$
i_F	v-expansion	identity	&-expansion
i_G	identity	&-expansion	\triangleright -expansion
γ_F	v-perm. + v-red.	identity	&-reduction
γ_G	identity	&-reduction	\triangleright -reduction
κ	vI	&I	&I + \triangleright I
λ	vE	&E	&E + \triangleright E
$k_{A'g}$	identity	&-reduction	\triangleright -reduction
ℓ_{fB}	v-perm. + v-red.	identity	&-reduction
$\ell_{A'g}$	v-permutation	&-reduction	\triangleright -reduction
k_{fB}	v-reduction	identity	&-reduction
α	v-expansion	&-reduction	-
β	v-reduction	&-expansion	-

The triangle equalities are precisely the principle (R), (and the "coherence