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# EXTENDING $T_1$ TOPOLOGIES TO HAUSDORFF WITH THE SAME SETS OF LIMIT POINTS

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ABSTRACT. Within the framework of  $\mathbf{ZF}$  set theory we show that the statements: "Every infinite  $T_1$  topological space (X,Q) with a finite set of limit points can be extended to a  $T_2$  space with the same set of limit points" and "there exist no free ultrafilters" are equivalent.

### 1. NOTATION AND TERMINOLOGY

Given a set X, a non-empty collection  $\mathcal{F} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X) \setminus \{\emptyset\}$  is called a *filter* iff it is closed under finite intersections and for every  $F \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $O \subseteq X$  if  $F \subseteq O$  then  $O \in \mathcal{F}$ .

A non-empty collection  $\mathcal{H} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(X) \setminus \{\emptyset\}$  is a *filterbase* iff it is closed under finite intersections.

A filterbase  $\mathcal{F}$  of X is called *free* if  $\bigcap \mathcal{F} = \emptyset$ . A maximal with respect to inclusion filter of X is called *ultrafilter*. cof(X) will denote the filter of all cofinite subsets of X. i.e.,  $A \in cof(X)$  iff  $|X \setminus A| < \aleph_0$ .

Let  $\mathbf{X} = (X,T)$  be a topological space and  $A \subseteq X$ . An element  $x \in X$  is said to be a *limit point* of A iff for every neighborhood  $V_x$  of  $x, V_x \cap A \setminus \{x\} \neq \emptyset$ . A non-limit point of X is called *isolated*.  $Lim_T(X)$  denotes the set of all limit points of  $\mathbf{X}$  and  $Iso_T(X)$  denotes the set of all isolated points of  $\mathbf{X}$ . If no confusion is likely to arise we shall omit the subscript T from  $Iso_T(X)$  and  $Lim_T(X)$ . If  $A \subseteq X$  then  $T_A$  will denote the topology A inherits as a subspace of  $\mathbf{X}$ .

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Given an infinite set A, a free filter  $\mathcal{H}$  of A and a non-empty set X disjoint from A,  $T_X^{A,\mathcal{H}}$  (resp.  $T_X^A$ ) will denote the topology on  $Y = X \cup A$ generated by the collection:

$$\begin{array}{lcl} C_X^{A,\mathcal{H}} & = & \{\{a\}: a \in A\} \cup \{\{x\} \cup H: x \in X, H \in \mathcal{H}\} \\ \text{(resp. } C_X^A & = & \{\{a\}: a \in A\} \cup cof(Y)). \end{array}$$

Clearly,  $(Y, T_X^{A,\mathcal{H}})$  is a  $T_1$  space such that Iso(Y) = A and Lim(Y) = X. Likewise,  $(Y, T_X^A)$  is a compact  $T_1$  space with Iso(Y) = A and Lim(Y) = X. Note that if  $A = \varnothing$  then  $T_X^{\varnothing}$  is just the *cofinite topology* on X. The following properties of  $T_X^A$  and  $T_X^{A,cof(A)}$  are simple observations:

- $T_X^A \subseteq T_X^{A,cof(A)}$ ,  $T_X^{A,cof(A)}$  is generated by the family  $T_X^A \cup \{\{x\} \cup F : x \in X, F \in X\}$
- if X is finite then  $T_X^{A,cof(A)} = T_X^A$ , if X is infinite then  $T_X^{A,cof(A)} \neq T_X^A$ .

An infinite set X is said to be:

- amorphous iff X cannot be partitioned into two infinite sets;
- Dedekind-infinite, denoted by  $\mathbf{DI}(X)$ , iff it contains a countably infinite set. Otherwise is said to be *Dedekind-finite*;
- weakly Dedekind-infinite, denoted by  $\mathbf{WDI}(X)$ , iff  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  contains a countably infinite set. Otherwise is said to be weakly Dedekindfinite;
- filterbase infinite, denoted by FBI(X), iff there exists a family  $\mathcal{V} = \{\mathcal{V}_i : i \in \omega\}$  of free filterbases of X such that for every  $i, j \in \omega$  with  $i \neq j$  there exists  $V \in \mathcal{V}_i$ ,  $U \in \mathcal{V}_j$  with  $V \cap U = \emptyset$ . Otherwise X is said to be filterbase-finite;
- $(T_1, T_2)$ -infinite, denoted by  $\mathbf{EI}(X, T_1, T_2)$ , iff every  $T_1$  topology Q on X with  $|Lim_Q(X)| < \aleph_0$  can be extended to a  $T_2$  topology T on X such that  $Lim_Q(X) = Lim_T(X)$ . Otherwise is said to be  $(T_1,T_2)$ -finite.

By universal quantifying over X, each of these notions give rise to a choice principle. For example, IDI is the statement

$$\forall X(X \text{ infinite } \rightarrow \mathbf{DI}(X))$$

that is "every infinite set is Dedekind-infinite" (Form 9 of [1]). Similarly one defines **IWDI** (Form 82 of [1]), **IFBI** and **IEI** $(T_1, T_2)$ .

There are three more weak forms of choice that we will use in this paper:

- NAS: There are no amorphous sets (Form 64 of [1]) and,
- **EFU**: There exists an infinite set X and a free ultrafilter  $\mathcal{F}$  on X (Form 206 of [1]),
- **SPI**: Every infinite set X has a free ultrafilter (Form 63 of [1]).

#### 2. Introduction and some preliminary results

Clearly, for every infinite set X, cof(X) is a free filter of X. However, one cannot prove in **ZF** that given an infinite set X the statement:

•  $\mathbf{FBI}_2(X)$ : There exist two free filterbases  $\mathcal{V}$ ,  $\mathcal{U}$  of X such that  $V \cap U = \emptyset$  for some  $V \in \mathcal{V}$ ,  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ 

holds true. Indeed,  $\mathbf{FBI}_2(X)$  clearly implies "X is not amorphous" and it is known, see e.g., [1], that there exist  $\mathbf{ZF}$  models including amorphous sets. On the other hand, the statement "X is not amorphous" implies  $\mathbf{FBI}_2(X)$ . Indeed, if  $\{A, A^c\}$  is a partition of X into infinite sets then  $\mathcal{V} = cof(A)$ ,  $\mathcal{U} = cof(A^c)$  satisfy the conclusion of  $\mathbf{FBI}_2(X)$ . Thus, part (i) of Proposition 2.1 is proved.

# **Proposition 2.1.** Let X be an infinite set.

- (i) X is not amorphous iff  $\mathbf{FBI}_2(X)$ . In particular,  $\mathbf{NAS}$  iff  $\mathbf{IFBI}_2$  (=  $\forall Y (Y infinite \to \mathbf{FBI}_2(Y))$ .
- (ii) **EFU** implies **IFBI**<sub>2</sub>. The converse fails in **ZF**.
- (iii) For all  $m, n \in \omega \setminus 2$ , m < n,  $\mathbf{FBI}_n(X)$  (: There exist free filterbases  $\mathcal{V}_i$ ,  $i \leq n$  of X such that for every  $i, j \leq n$ ,  $i \neq j$ , there exists  $V_i \in \mathcal{V}_i$ ,  $V_j \in \mathcal{V}_j$  with  $V_i \cap V_j = \varnothing$ ) implies  $\mathbf{FBI}_m(X)$ . The converse fails in  $\mathbf{ZF}$ . (iv)  $\mathbf{IFBI}_2$  iff for all  $n \in \omega \setminus 2$ ,  $\mathbf{IFBI}_n$  ( $= \forall X(X \text{ infinite } \to \mathbf{FBI}_n(X))$ ).

For the second assertion, we note that in the Second Fraenkel model  $\mathcal{N}2$  in [1], **NAS** and **EFU** are both true and transferable to **ZF**.

(iii) The first part is obvious. For the second part we note that if  $\mathcal{M}$  is a **ZF** model including an amorphous set Y, and  $X = Y \times \{0\} \cup Y \times \{1\}$  then  $\mathbf{FBI}_2(X)$  holds true but  $\mathbf{FBI}_3(X)$  fails in  $\mathcal{M}$ .

(iv) This is straightforward.

Let X be an infinite set. Clearly,  $\mathbf{FBI}(X)$  implies  $\mathbf{FBI}_2(X)$ . Hence,  $\mathbf{IFBI}$  implies  $\mathbf{IFBI}_2$ . In view of Proposition 2.1 and the latter implication one may ask whether any of the following implications  $\mathbf{IFBI}_2 \to \mathbf{IFBI}$ ,  $\mathbf{IFBI} \to ]\mathbf{EFU}$  holds true in  $\mathbf{ZF}$ . In Theorem 3.5 we show that none of

these implications holds true and, in addition, in the Weglorz/Brunner Model  $\mathcal{N}51$  in [1] there exists a set A having neither a free ultrafilter nor a countable family  $\mathcal{V} = \{\mathcal{V}_i : i \in \omega\}$  of free filterbases satisfying the conclusion of  $\mathbf{FBI}(A)$ .

In Theorem 3.1 we show that  $\mathbf{FBI}(X)$  is equivalent to each one of the following topological statements:

- $\mathbf{EI}_{\omega}(X)$  :  $T_{\omega}^{X}$  extends to a  $T_{2}$  topology T such that  $Lim_{T}(X \cup \mathbb{I}_{\omega})$
- $\omega) = \omega,$   $\mathbf{EI}_{\omega}^{cof(X)}(X) : T_{\omega}^{X,cof(X)}$  extends to a  $T_2$  topology T such that  $Lim_T(X \cup \omega) = \omega.$

We would like to remark here that in  $\mathbf{EI}_{\omega}(X)$  and  $\mathbf{EI}_{\omega}^{cof(X)}(X)$  we need the set X to be disjoint from  $\omega$ . Since X and  $X \times \{0\}$  share the same finiteness properties and  $X \times \{0\}$ ,  $\omega$  are disjoint we shall assume in the sequel that whenever X and  $\omega$  are not disjoint then X is replaced by another set of equal cardinality disjoint from  $\omega$  such as  $X \times \{0\}$ .

In [3] it has been shown that

**Lemma 2.2.** [3] Let X be an infinite set. Then, the following are equivalent:

- (i)  $\mathbf{WDI}(X)$ .
- (ii)  $(\mathcal{P}(X),\subseteq)$  has infinite towers (subsets T of  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  which are wellordered by  $\supseteq$ ).
- (iii) X has a countable partition.
- (iv) For every infinite set X there exists a metric d on X such that (X, d)has at least one limit point.

From Lemma 2.2 it follows immediately that:

# **Proposition 2.3.** WDI(X) implies FBI(X).

*Proof.* Fix an infinite set X and let  $\mathcal{P} = \{X_n : n \in \omega\}$  be a partition of X. By partitioning  $\omega$  into countably many infinite sets we can easily pass to a countable partition of X into infinite sets. So, we assume that each member of  $\mathcal{P}$  is an infinite set. Then,  $\{cof(X_n): n \in \omega\}$  is the required family of filterbases satisfying the conclusion of  $\mathbf{FBI}(X)$ .

On the basis of Proposition 2.3 one may ask the following question.

**Question 1.** Does FBI(X) imply "X has a countable partition"?

It is known there exist compact  $T_1$  spaces (X, Q) such that the topology Q cannot be enlarged to a compact  $T_2$  topology on X. As an example consider the following:

**Example 1.** Take  $X = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \geq 0\}$  with the topology it inherits as a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}$  with the usual topology. Let O (resp. E) be the set of odd (resp. even) integers. Let S be the subspace topology X inherits from  $\mathbb{R}$  and embed X as an open subspace into the space (Y, W) where,  $Y = X \cup \{a, b\}$  and W is the topology generated by S together with all sets of the form

$$U(r) = \{a\} \cup (\{x \in X : r < x\} - O), r \in X$$
  
$$V(r) = \{b\} \cup (\{x \in X : r < x\} - E), r \in X.$$

Then Y is a compact  $T_1$  space but W cannot be enlarged to a compact  $T_2$  topology T. Indeed, let T be a compact topology on Y that enlarges W. Because of the local compactness of (X,S), the subspace topology  $T_X$  which X inherits from T, coincides with S. The inclusion,  $S \subseteq T_X$  is clear. If  $S \neq T_X$  then there exists a set  $A \subset X$  which is  $T_X$ -closed but not S-closed. Hence, A has a limit point  $x \in X \setminus A$ . Fix B a compact neighborhood of x in (X,S). Clearly, B is closed in (Y,T) and x is a limit point of the T-closed set  $C = A \cap B$  in (X,S). Let  $\mathcal U$  be the trace of the neigborhood filter of x in (X,S) on the set C. Since (X,S) is  $T_2$ , the filter  $\mathcal U$  has no accumulation point in C. Hence, C is not T-compact and consequently (Y,T) is not compact which is a contradiction. Thus,  $S = T_X$  as required.

We show that T is not  $T_2$ . Assume on the contrary and fix two disjoint open neighborhoods  $U_a, V_b$  of a and b respectively. Clearly,

$$\mathcal{U} = \{U_a, V_b\} \cup \{[0, r) : r \in X\}$$

is a T-cover or Y. Hence, by the compactness of (R,T),  $\mathcal{U}$  has a finite subcover. Hence, there exists  $x \in (0,\infty)$  such that

$$U_a \cup V_b \cup [0, x) = Y.$$

Since  $(x, \infty)$  is a connected subset of (X, S), it follows that  $(x, \infty) \subseteq U_a$  or  $(x, \infty) \subseteq V_b$ . Contradiction! Thus, T fails to be  $T_2$  contradicting our hypothesis.

In view of Example 1, one may ask:

**Question 2.** Given a set X, does every  $T_1$  topology Q on X extend to a  $T_2$  topology T such that  $Lim_Q(X) = Lim_T(X)$ ?

The answer to Question 2 is in the negative as the following Example 2 demonstrates:

**Example 2.** Let  $Y = \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(\omega)))$  and  $X = Y \cup \omega$ . We claim that the  $T_1$  topology  $Q = T_Y^{\omega,cof(\omega)}$  on X does not extend to a  $T_2$  topology

T on X with  $Lim_Q(X) = Lim_T(X) = Y$ . Assume the contrary and fix a  $T_2$  topology T on X satisfying:

(2.1) 
$$Q \subset T \text{ and } Lim_Q(X) = Lim_T(X).$$

In view of (2.1) we may assume that for every  $y \in Y$ ,

(2.2) 
$$V_y = \{ V \in T : y \in V \text{ and } V \cap Y = \{y\} \}$$

is a T-neighborhood base of y.

Since T is  $T_2$ , it follows from (2.1) and (2.2), that the function  $F: Y \to \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(\omega))$  given by

$$F(y) = \{H : H \in [\omega]^{\omega} \text{ and } \{y\} \cup H \in \mathcal{V}_y\}$$

is one-to-one. Hence,  $|\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(\omega)))| \leq |\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(\omega))|$ . Contradiction!

In view of Example 2, it follows that if we want to extend  $T_1$  topologies to  $T_2$  while retaining the same set L of limit points then some bound on the size of L must be imposed.

Even in case  $|Lim_Q(X)| < \aleph_0$ ,  $\mathbf{EI}(X, T_1, T_2)$  fails in case X has free ultrafilters as the next example shows:

**Example 3.** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a free ultrafilter of  $\omega \backslash 2$ . Clearly,  $(\omega, T_2^{\omega \backslash 2, \mathcal{F}})$  is a  $T_1$  space such that  $Lim_{T_2^{\omega \backslash 2, \mathcal{F}}}(\omega) = 2 = \{0, 1\}$  and the points 0, 1 have no disjoint  $T_2^{\omega \backslash 2, \mathcal{F}}$  - neighborhoods. We claim that there is no  $T_2$  topology T on  $\omega$  extending  $T_2^{\omega \backslash 2, \mathcal{F}}$  with  $Lim_T(\omega) = 2$ . Indeed, if T is such a topology and  $V_0, V_1$  are disjoint T - neighborhoods of 0, 1 respectively, then both  $\{V_0 \backslash \{0\}\} \cup \mathcal{F}$  and  $\{V_1 \backslash \{1\}\} \cup \mathcal{F}$  have the fip (finite intersection property). So,  $V_0 \backslash \{0\}, V_1 \backslash \{1\} \in \mathcal{F}$  contradicting the fact that  $\mathcal{F}$  is a filter.

Example 3 shows that if we want  $\mathbf{EI}(\omega, T_1, T_2)$  to be true then  $\omega$  must have no free ultrafilters. Based on this observation we show in Theorem 3.3 that  $\mathbf{IEI}(T_1, T_2)$  is equivalent to the negation of  $\mathbf{EFU}$ .

## 3. Main results

**Theorem 3.1.** Let X be an infinite set. The following are equivalent:

- (i)  $\mathbf{EI}_{\omega}(X)$ .
- (ii)  $\mathbf{EI}_{\omega}^{cof(X)}(X)$ .
- (iii)  $\tilde{\mathbf{FBI}}(X)$ .

In particular,  $\mathbf{IEI}_{\omega} : \forall X(X \text{ infinite} \to \mathbf{EI}_{\omega}(X)), \mathbf{IEI}_{\omega}^{cof} : \forall X(X \text{ infinite} \to \mathbf{E}_{\omega}^{cof(X)})$  and  $\mathbf{IFBI}$  are equivalent and none is provable in  $\mathbf{ZF}$ .

*Proof.* Fix an infinite set X.

(i)  $\rightarrow$  (ii) Let, by  $\mathbf{EI}_{\omega}(X)$ , W be a  $T_2$  topology on  $X \cup \omega$  extending  $T_{\omega}^X$  such that  $Lim_W(X) = \omega$ . Clearly, the topology T on  $X \cup \omega$  generated by

$$W \cup \{\{n\} \cup F : F \in cof(X), n \in \omega\}$$

is  $T_2$  such that  $T_{\omega}^{X,cof(X)} \subseteq T$ . To complete the proof of (i)  $\to$  (ii) it suffices to show that  $Lim_T(X) = \omega$ . Assume on the contrary that  $n \in \omega$  is not a T limit point of X. Fix a T neighborhood  $V_n$  of n such that  $V_n \cap X = \varnothing$ . Clearly,  $V_n = O \cap (\{n\} \cup F)$  for some  $O \in W$  and  $F \in cof(X)$ . It follows that  $O \cap F = \varnothing$  and consequently  $O \cap X$  is finite. Thus,  $n \notin Lim_W(X)$ . Contradiction! Hence,  $Lim_T(X) = \omega$  and  $\mathbf{EI}_{\omega}^{cof(X)}(X)$  holds true.

- (ii)  $\rightarrow$  (iii) Let, by  $\mathbf{EI}_{\omega}^{cof(X)}(X)$ , T be a  $T_2$  topology on  $X \cup \omega$  extending  $T_{\omega}^{X,cof(X)}$  such that  $Lim_T(X) = \omega$ . Clearly,  $\mathcal{V} = \{\mathcal{V}_n : n \in \omega\}$  where for every  $n \in \omega$ ,  $\mathcal{V}_n = \{V \in T : n \in V\}$  satisfies: For every  $i, j \in \omega$  with  $i \neq j$  there exists  $V \in \mathcal{V}_i$ ,  $U \in \mathcal{V}_j$  with  $V \cap U = \emptyset$ .
- (iii)  $\rightarrow$  (i) Let, by our hypothesis,  $\mathcal{F} = \{\mathcal{F}_i : i \in \omega\}$  be a family of free filterbases of X such that for every  $i, j \in \omega$  with  $i \neq j$  there exists  $V \in \mathcal{F}_i$ ,  $U \in \mathcal{F}_j$  with  $V \cap U = \emptyset$ . It is straightforward to verify that the topology T on  $X \cup \omega$  generated by the family  $\{\{x\} : x \in X\} \cup \{\{i\} \cup V : i \in \omega, V \in \mathcal{F}_i\}$  satisfies the conclusion of  $\mathbf{EI}_{\omega}(X)$ .

The second assertion, in view of (i)-(iii) and Proposition 2.1, is straightforward.  $\Box$ 

# **Theorem 3.2.** Let X be an infinite set.

- (i)  $\mathbf{IWDI}(X)$  implies  $\mathbf{EI}_{\omega}(X)$ . In particular,  $\mathbf{IEI}_{\omega}$  lies in the hierarchy of choice principles between the statements **NAS** and  $\mathbf{IWDI}$ .
- (ii)  $\mathbf{EI}(X, T_1, T_2)$  implies "for all  $n \in \omega$ , X has a partition  $\{X_i : i \leq n\}$  into infinite sets".
- *Proof.* (i) This follows at once from Proposition 2.1 and Theorem 3.1.
- (ii) Fix an infinite set X and  $n \in \omega$ , n > 1. By our hypothesis, there exists a  $T_2$  topology T on  $Y = X \cup (n+1)$  extending  $T_{n+1}^{X,cof(X)}$  such that  $Lim_Q(X) = Lim_T(X)$ . Fix for every  $i \le n$  an open neighborhood  $V_i$  of i such that for all  $i, j \le n, i \ne j, V_i \cap V_j = \emptyset$ . It follows that  $\{V_i : i < n\} \cup \{X \setminus \bigcup \{V_i : i < n\}\}$  is a partition of X into n infinite sets.  $\square$

Our next result shows that  $IEI(T_1, T_2)$  is equivalent to ]EFU.

**Theorem 3.3.** Let X be an infinite set. The following are equivalent: (i) X has no free ultrafilter.

- (ii) **EI** $(X, T_1, T_2)$ .
- (iii) For every  $T_1$  topology Q on X with  $|Lim_Q(X)| = 2$  there exists a  $T_2$  extension T of Q with  $Lim_T(X) = Lim_Q(X)$ .

In particular,  $\mathbf{IEI}(T_1, T_2)$  is equivalent to  $\mathbf{EFU}$ .

*Proof.* (i)  $\rightarrow$  (ii) Fix (Y,Q) a  $T_1$  space and let  $\{x_i: i \in n\}$  be an enumeration of the set  $X = Lim_Q(Y)$ . We prove, via a straightforward induction, that Q extends to a  $T_2$  topology T on Y such that  $Lim_Q(Y) = Lim_T(Y)$ . If n=1 then the conclusion is straightforward. So assume that the conclusion holds true whenever  $X = \{x_i: i \leq k\}$  and show that it remains true in case  $X = \{x_i: i \leq k+1\}$ .

Let, by our hypothesis,  $T_k$  be a  $T_2$  topology on the open set  $Y_k = Y \setminus \{x_{k+1}\}$  of **Y** extending  $Q_{Y_k}$  such that  $Lim_{Q_{Y_k}}(Y_k) = Lim_{T_k}(Y_k) = \{x_i : i \leq k\}$ . Let S be the topology on Y generated by  $T_k \cup Q$ . Clearly,  $Q \subseteq S$  and (Y, S) is a  $T_1$  space such that for all  $i, j \leq k, i \neq j, x_i$  and  $x_j$  have disjoint open neighborhoods.

**Claim.** For every topology  $K \supseteq S$  on Y with  $Lim_K(Y) = \{x_j : j \le k+1\}$ , for every  $i \le k$  there exists a topology  $S_i$  on Y such that:  $S_i \supseteq K$ ,  $Lim_{S_i}(Y) = \{x_j : j \le k+1\}$  and  $x_i, x_{k+1}$  have disjoint  $S_i$  - neighborhoods.

**Proof of the claim.** Let  $V_i, V_{k+1}$  denote the neighborhood bases of all K - open sets of Y including  $x_i$  and  $x_{k+1}$  respectively. Let  $A = Y \setminus \{x_j : j \le k+1\}$ . Since (Y, K) is  $T_1$ , it follows that

$$\mathcal{H}_i = \{V \cap A : V \in \mathcal{V}_i\} \text{ and } \mathcal{H}_{k+1} = \{V \cap A : V \in \mathcal{V}_{k+1}\}$$

are free filters of A. We consider the following two cases:

- (a)  $\mathcal{U} = \mathcal{H}_i \cup \mathcal{H}_{k+1}$  does not have the fip. In this case there exists a finite subset  $\mathcal{V} = \{V_1, V_2 ... V_s\}$  of  $\mathcal{U}$  such that  $V_1 \cap V_2 \cap ... \cap V_s \cap A = \emptyset$ . Clearly,  $O_i = \{x_i\} \cup \bigcap (\mathcal{H}_i \cap \mathcal{V})$  and  $O_{k+1} = \{x_{k+1}\} \cup \bigcap (\mathcal{H}_{k+1} \cap \mathcal{V})$  are disjoint K neighborhoods of  $x_i$  and  $x_{k+1}$  respectively. Hence,  $S_i = K$  is the required extension of K.
- (b)  $\mathcal{U} = \mathcal{H}_i \cup \mathcal{H}_{k+1}$  has the fip. Since, by our hypothesis, A has no free ultrafilters it follows that the free filter  $\mathcal{F}$  of A generated by  $\mathcal{U}$  is not an ultrafilter of A. Hence, there exists a subset D of A such that  $\{D\} \cup \mathcal{F}$  has the fip and  $\{D^c\} \cup \mathcal{F}$  has the fip. Let  $S_i$  be the topology generated by the collection:

$$C_{i,k+1} = K \cup \{\{x_i\} \cup D \setminus L : L \in [D]^{<\omega}\} \cup \{\{x_{k+1}\} \cup D^c \setminus L : L \in [D^c]^{<\omega}\}.$$

Clearly,  $K \subseteq S_i$  and  $V_i = \{x_i\} \cup D$ ,  $V_{k+1} = \{x_{k+1}\} \cup D^c$  are disjoint  $S_i$  -neighborhoods of  $x_i$  and  $x_{k+1}$  respectively.

We show next that  $Lim_{S_i}(Y) = \{x_j : j \leq k+1\}$ . Fix  $j \leq k+1$  and consider the following two cases:

(c) 
$$j \in \{i, k+1\}$$
. Assume  $j = i$  and fix

$$V = U \cap W, U \in K, W = \{x_i\} \cup D \setminus L, L \in [D]^{<\omega}$$

an  $S_i$  - neighborhood of  $x_i$ . Since  $\{D\} \cup \mathcal{F}$  has the fip,  $U \cap A \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  is free it follows that  $V \cap A = U \cap A \cap D \setminus L$  is infinite. Hence,  $x_i \in Lim_{S_i}(Y)$ .

Similarly we can show that  $x_{k+1} \in Lim_{S_i}(Y)$ .

(d)  $j \notin \{i, k+1\}$ . Since  $S_i$  adds no new neighborhoods of  $x_j$  it follows that  $x_j \in Lim_{S_i}(Y)$ .

From cases (c) and (d) it follows that  $Lim_{S_i}(Y) = \{x_j : j \leq k+1\}$  as required finishing the proof of the claim.

Using the claim, we construct iteratively extensions

$$S_0 \subseteq S_1 \subseteq ... \subseteq S_k$$

of S such that  $S_0$  is a topology on Y satisfying:  $Lim_{S_0}(Y) = \{x_j : j \le k+1\}$  and the points of  $x_0, x_{k+1}$  have disjoint neighborhoods in  $(Y, S_0)$ .

In general, for every  $0 < j \le k, S_j$  is an extension of  $S_{j-1}$  satisfying:  $Lim_{S_j}(Y) = \{x_i : i \le k+1\}$  and the points of  $x_j, x_{k+1}$  have disjoint neighborhoods in  $(Y, S_j)$ . Evidently,  $T = S_k$  is the required  $T_2$  extension of Q.

- (ii)  $\rightarrow$  (iii) This is straightforward.
- (iii)  $\rightarrow$  (i) Fix an infinite set X and let  $Y = \{a, b\}$  be a subset of X. Assume, aiming for a contradiction, that there exists a free ultrafilter  $\mathcal{H}$  on  $A = X \setminus Y$ . Arguing as in Example 3 we end up in a contradiction. Thus, X has no free ultrafilter as required.

As a corollary to Theorem 3.3 we get the following characterizations of **EFU** and **SPI** whose proof is left as an easy exercise for the reader.

Corollary 3.4. (i) EFU iff there exists a  $T_1$  space (X,Q) with  $|Lim_Q(X)| < \aleph_0$  such that for every  $T_2$  topology T on X extending Q,  $Lim_T(X) \neq Lim_Q(X)$ .

(ii) **SPI** iff for every infinite set X there exists a  $T_1$  topology Q on X with  $|Lim_Q(X)| < \aleph_0$  such that for every  $T_2$  topology T on X extending Q,  $Lim_T(X) \neq Lim_Q(X)$ .

**Remark.** A natural strengthening of  $EI(X, T_1, T_2)$  is the proposition:

•  $\mathbf{EI}_{\aleph_0}(X, T_1, T_2)$ : Every  $T_1$  topology Q on X with  $|Lim_Q(X)| \le \aleph_0$  can be extended to a  $T_2$  topology T on X such that  $Lim_Q(X) = Lim_T(X)$ .

One might think that working as in Theorem 3.3 can prove that the conjunction of  $\ \ \mathbf{EFU}$  and some weak form of the axiom of choice such as the axiom of dependent choice  $\mathbf{DC}$ , implies the statement:  $\mathbf{IEI}_{\aleph_0}(T_1, T_2)$ :  $\forall X(X \text{ infinite} \to \mathbf{EI}_{\aleph_0}(X, T_1, T_2)$  is relatively consistent with  $\mathbf{ZF}$ . However, there exist countable  $T_1$  spaces (X, Q) without isolated points and

the proof of Theorem 3.3 does not apply to these cases. We do not know whether the statement: Every dense-in-itself  $T_1$  topology Q on  $\omega$  extends to a dense-in-itself  $T_2$  topology on  $\omega$  is consistent with **ZF**. This explains why we preferred the condition  $|Lim_Q(X)| < \aleph_0$  over  $|Lim_Q(X)| \le \aleph_0$ .

Theorem 3.5. (i)  $\mathbf{IEI}_{\omega} \nrightarrow \mathbf{IEI}(T_1, T_2)$ ,  $\mathbf{IEI}_{\omega} \nrightarrow \mathbf{IDI}$ ,  $\mathbf{IDI} \nrightarrow \mathbf{IEI}(T_1, T_2)$  and  $\mathbf{IWDI} \nrightarrow \mathbf{IEI}(T_1, T_2)$  in  $\mathbf{ZF}$ .

- (ii)  $\mathbf{EI}(X, T_1, T_2) \nrightarrow \mathbf{EI}_{\omega}(X)$  in  $\mathbf{ZFA}$  (=  $\mathbf{ZF}$  plus the existence of a set of atoms).
- (iii)  $\mathbf{IFBI}_2 \nrightarrow \mathbf{IFBI}$  in  $\mathbf{ZF}$ .
- *Proof.* (i)  $\mathbf{IEI}_{\omega} \to \mathbf{IEI}(T_1, T_2)$ ,  $\mathbf{IWDI} \to \mathbf{IEI}(T_1, T_2)$ ,  $\mathbf{IEI}_{\omega} \to \mathbf{IDI}$  in **ZF**. It is known that in Cohen's basic model  $\mathcal{M}1$  in [1] **SPI** and  $\mathbf{IWDI}$  hold true but  $\mathbf{IDI}$  fails. Hence, by Corollary 3.4,  $\mathbf{IEI}(T_1, T_2)$  fails in  $\mathcal{M}1$  and by Theorem 3.2  $\mathbf{IEI}_{\omega}$  holds true in  $\mathcal{M}1$ . Thus,  $\mathbf{IEI}_{\omega} \to \mathbf{IEI}(T_1, T_2)$ ,  $\mathbf{IWDI} \to \mathbf{IEI}(T_1, T_2)$  and  $\mathbf{IEI}_{\omega} \to \mathbf{IDI}$  in **ZF**.
- $\mathbf{IDI} oup \mathbf{IEI}(T_1, T_2)$ . It is known that in the Pincus' Model IX, Model  $\mathcal{M}47(n, M)$  in [1],  $\mathbf{IDI}$  holds true and  $\omega$  has a free ultrafilter. Hence, by Example 3, there exists a  $T_1$  topology Q on  $\omega$  with just two limit points which does not extent to a  $T_2$  topology with the same set of limit points. Thus,  $\mathbf{EI}(\omega, T_1, T_2)$  fails in  $\mathcal{M}47(n, M)$ . Hence,  $\mathbf{IEI}(T_1, T_2)$  fails also and  $\mathbf{IDI} oup \mathbf{IEI}(T_1, T_2)$  in  $\mathbf{ZF}$ .
- (ii) We note that in the Weglorz/Brunner Model  $\mathcal{N}51$  in [1] (the set of atoms A is countably infinite, the group of permutations G is the set of all permutations  $\phi$  of A and the normal filter  $\mathcal{H}$  is generated by the set of all subgroups  $G_B$ , where  $B \subseteq A$  and  $G_B = \{\pi \in G : \pi(B) = B\}$ ) the set of atoms A has no free ultrafilters. So,  $]\mathbf{UF}(A)$  and consequently by Theorem 3.3,  $\mathbf{EI}(A, T_1, T_2)$  holds true. We show that  $\mathbf{EI}_{\omega}(A)$  fails in  $\mathcal{N}51$ . To this end it suffices by Theorem 3.1 to show that  $\mathbf{FBI}(A)$  fails. Assume, aiming for a contradiction, that  $\mathbf{FBI}(A)$  holds true and let  $\mathfrak{F} = \{\mathcal{F}_n : n \in \omega\}$  be a family of free filters of X such that:
- (3.1) For every  $n, m \in \omega, n \neq m$  there exists  $U \in \mathcal{F}_n, V \in \mathcal{F}_m$  with  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ .

Let  $H \in \mathcal{H}$  satisfy  $H \subseteq Sym_G(\mathfrak{F})$ . Assume

$$H = \bigcap_{i \le n} G_{B_i}, B_i \in \mathcal{P}(A), i \le n, n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Clearly, the relation  $\sim$  on  $X = \bigcup_{i \le n} B_i$  given by:

$$x \sim y$$
 iff for all  $i \leq n, x \in B_i \leftrightarrow y \in B_i$ 

is an equivalence. Clearly, for every  $Y \in X/\sim$ , if  $x \in Y$  and  $K_x =$  $\{i \le n : x \in B_i\}$  then  $Y = \bigcap_{i \in K_x} B_i \cap \bigcap_{i \in K_x^c} B_i^c$ . Thus,

$$(3.2) \qquad (\forall Y \in X/\sim)(\ \exists \ \varnothing \neq K_Y \subseteq n+1)(Y = \bigcap_{i \in K_Y} B_i \cap \bigcap_{i \in K_C^c} B_i^c).$$

We claim that:

(3.3) 
$$\pi \in H \text{ iff for all } Y \in X/\sim, \ \pi(Y) = Y.$$

Indeed, if  $\pi \in H$  and  $Y \in X/\sim$  then, in view of (3.2),  $Y = \bigcap_{i \in K_Y} B_i \cap \bigcap_{i \in K_Y^c} B_i^c$  for some  $\emptyset \neq K_Y \subseteq n+1$ . Hence,  $\pi(Y) = \pi(\bigcap_{i \in K_Y} B_i \cap \bigcap_{i \in K_Y^c} B_i^c) = \prod_{i \in K_Y^c} B_i \cap \bigcap_{i \in K_Y^c} B_i \cap \bigcap_{i \in K_Y^c} B_i^c \cap \bigcap_{i \in K_Y^c} B_$  $\pi(\bigcap_{i\in K_Y} B_i)\cap\pi(\bigcap_{i\in K_Y^c} B_i^c) = \bigcap_{i\in K_Y} \pi(B_{i_j})\cap\bigcap_{i\in K_Y^c} \pi(B_i^c) = \bigcap_{i\in K_Y} B_{i_j}\cap\bigcap_{i\in K_Y^c} B_i^c = Y.$ 

Conversely, assume that for all  $Y \in X/\sim$ ,  $\pi(Y) = Y$  and show that  $\pi \in H$ . To this end, it suffices to show that for all  $i \leq n, \pi \in G_{B_i}$ . Fix  $i \leq n$  and let  $y \in B_i$ . Since  $X = \bigcup X / \sim$ , it follows that  $y \in Y$  for some  $Y \in X/\sim$  with  $Y\subseteq B_i$ . By our hypothesis,  $\pi(Y)=Y$  and consequently  $\pi(y) \in B_i$  and  $\pi(z) = y$  for some  $z \in Y(\subseteq B_i)$ . Thus,  $\pi(B_i) \subseteq B_i$  and  $B_i \subseteq \pi(B_i)$  meaning that  $\pi(B_i) = B_i$ . Hence,  $\pi \in G_{B_i}$  as required.

We will be needing the following claim.

**Claim.** Let  $Y \in X \setminus \sim$ ,  $L = \{k \in \omega : \{Y\} \cup \mathcal{F}_k \text{ has the fip}\}$  and for all  $k \in L$  let  $\mathcal{F}_{k}^{'}$  denote the filter of A generated by  $\{Y\} \cup \mathcal{F}_{k}$ . Then,  $H \subseteq Sym_G(\mathfrak{F}')$  where,  $\mathfrak{F}' = \{\mathcal{F}_n : n \in \omega \setminus L\} \cup \{\mathcal{F}'_k : k \in L\}.$ 

**Proof of the claim.** Fix  $\pi \in H$ . It suffices to show that  $\pi(\{\mathcal{F}'_k : k \in L\}) =$ 

 $\{\mathcal{F}'_k : k \in L\}$  and  $\pi(\{\mathcal{F}_n : n \in \omega \setminus L\}) = \{\mathcal{F}_n : n \in \omega \setminus L\}$ . To see that  $\pi(\{\mathcal{F}'_k : k \in L\}) \subseteq \{\mathcal{F}'_k : k \in L\}$  fix  $k \in L$  and let  $\pi(\mathcal{F}_k) = \{\pi(F) : F \in \mathcal{F}_k\} = \mathcal{F}_m$  for some  $m \in L$ . Since  $\mathcal{F}_k \cup \{Y\}$  has the fip and, by (3.3),  $\pi(Y) = Y$  we see that  $\mathcal{F}_m \cup \{Y\}$  has the fip. Indeed, if  $\pi(F_k) \in \mathcal{F}_k : i = 1, 2, \dots$  without  $\bigcap_{k \in K} F_k \cap Y_k \neq \emptyset$  and consequently  $\pi(F_j) \in \mathcal{F}_m, j = 1, 2, ..., v \text{ then } \bigcap_{j \leq v} F_j \cap Y \neq \emptyset \text{ and consequently}$ 

$$(3.4) \varnothing \neq \pi(\bigcap_{j \le v} F_j \cap Y) = \bigcap_{j \le v} \pi(F_j \cap Y) = \bigcap_{j \le v} \pi(F_j) \cap \pi(Y) = \bigcap_{j \le v} \pi(F_j) \cap Y$$

meaning that  $\mathcal{F}_m \cup \{Y\}$  has the fip. Hence,  $m \in L$  and (3.4) shows that  $\pi(\mathcal{F}'_k) = \mathcal{F}'_m$ . Thus,

$$\pi(\{\mathcal{F}'_k:k\in L\})\subseteq \{\mathcal{F}'_k:k\in L\}.$$

For the reverse inclusion, fix  $k \in L$  and let  $m \in \omega$  be such that  $\pi(\mathcal{F}_m) =$  $\mathcal{F}_k$ . It is easy to see that,  $m \in L$  and  $\pi(\mathcal{F}'_m) = \mathcal{F}'_k$ . Thus,  $\{\mathcal{F}'_k : k \in L\} \subseteq \mathcal{F}'_k$  $\pi(\{\mathcal{F}'_k : k \in L\}) \text{ and } \pi(\{\mathcal{F}'_k : k \in L\}) = \{\mathcal{F}'_k : k \in L\}.$ 

To see that  $\pi(\{\mathcal{F}_n:n\in\omega\backslash L\})\subseteq\{\mathcal{F}_n:n\in\omega\backslash L\}$  we note that if  $n\in\omega\backslash L$  then  $\mathcal{F}_n\cup\{Y\}$  does not have the fip. Thus, there exists  $F_i\in\mathcal{F}_n, i=1,2,...,k$  such that  $F_1\cap F_2\cap...\cap F_k\cap Y=\varnothing$ . Hence,  $\pi(F_1)\cap\pi(F_2)\cap...\cap\pi(F_k)\cap Y=\varnothing$  meaning that  $\pi(\mathcal{F}_n)\cup Y$  does not have the fip. Thus,  $\pi(\mathcal{F}_n)\in\{\mathcal{F}_v:v\in\omega\backslash L\}$  and consequently  $\pi(\{\mathcal{F}_n:n\in\omega\backslash L\})\subseteq\{\mathcal{F}_n:n\in\omega\backslash L\}$ .

For the reverse inclusion, fix  $n \in \omega \backslash L$ . Since  $\pi(\mathfrak{F}) = \mathfrak{F}$  we see that there exists  $m \in \omega$  such that  $\pi(\mathcal{F}_m) = \mathcal{F}_n$ . Clearly,  $m \in \omega \backslash L$  (if  $m \in L$  then  $n \in L$ ) and  $\mathcal{F}_n \in \pi(\{\mathcal{F}_n : n \in \omega \backslash L\})$ . Thus,  $\{\mathcal{F}_n : n \in \omega \backslash L\} \subseteq \pi(\{\mathcal{F}_n : n \in \omega \backslash L\})$  and  $\pi(\{\mathcal{F}_n : n \in \omega \backslash L\}) = \{\mathcal{F}_n : n \in \omega \backslash L\}$  finishing the proof of the claim.

We continue with the proof by considering the following two cases:

(a) There exists  $Y \in X/\sim$  such that  $|L| \geq 2$ , where L is the set given in the claim. Replace  $\mathfrak{F}$  with  $\mathfrak{F}'$  where  $\mathfrak{F}'$  is given as in the claim. Without loss of generality we may assume that  $\mathfrak{F} = \mathfrak{F}'$  and for every  $k \in L, Y \in \mathcal{F}_k$ . Assume, for our convenience, that  $0, 1 \in L$  and fix by (3.1)  $F_0 \in \mathcal{F}_0$ ,  $F_1 \in \mathcal{F}_1$ ,  $F_0$ ,  $F_1 \subseteq Y$  such that  $F_0 \cap F_1 = \emptyset$ . Since  $\mathcal{F}_0$ ,  $\mathcal{F}_1$  are not free ultrafilters of A (recall that A has no free ultrafilters), it follows that there exists partitions  $\{F_{00}, F_{01}\}$  of  $F_0$  and  $\{F_{10}, F_{11}\}$  of  $F_1$  into infinite sets such that  $F_{00} \notin \mathcal{F}_0$ ,  $F_{01} \notin \mathcal{F}_0$ ,  $F_{10} \notin \mathcal{F}_1$ ,  $F_{11} \notin \mathcal{F}_1$  and  $\{F_{00}\} \cup \mathcal{F}_0$ ,  $\{F_{01}\} \cup \mathcal{F}_0$ ,  $\{F_{10}\} \cup \mathcal{F}_1$ ,  $\{F_{11}\} \cup \mathcal{F}_1$  have the fip. Let  $\pi$  be a permutation of A given by:

$$\pi(F_{01}) = F_{10}, \pi(F_{10}) = F_{01}$$
 and for all  $a \in A \setminus (F_{01} \cup F_{10}), \pi(a) = a$ .

By (3.3),  $\pi \in H$ . Since,  $\pi(F_0) = F_{00} \cup F_{10}$  and  $\pi(F_0) \cap F_0 = F_{00} \notin \mathcal{F}_0$ ,  $\pi(F_0) \cap F_1 = F_{10} \notin \mathcal{F}_1$  it follows that  $\pi(\mathcal{F}_0) \neq \mathcal{F}_0$  and  $\pi(\mathcal{F}_0) \neq \mathcal{F}_1$ . Assume, aiming for a contradiction, that  $\pi(\mathcal{F}_0) = \mathcal{F}_k$  for some k > 1. Since  $\pi(Y) = Y \in \mathcal{F}_0$ , it follows that  $Y \in \mathcal{F}_k$  and consequently  $k \in L$ . Fix  $W_0 \in \mathcal{F}_0$ ,  $W_k \in \mathcal{F}_k$  such that  $W_0 \subseteq F_0$ ,  $W_k \subseteq Y$  and  $W_0 \cap W_k = \emptyset$ . Fix  $F \in \mathcal{F}_0$  such that  $\pi(F) = W_k$ . Clearly,  $U = F \cap W_0 \in \mathcal{F}_0$  satisfies:

$$\pi(U) = \pi(F) \cap \pi(W_0) = W_k \cap \pi(W_0) \subseteq W_k.$$

Since  $\{F_{00}\} \cup \mathcal{F}_0$ ,  $\{F_{01}\} \cup \mathcal{F}_0$  have the fip and  $U \in \mathcal{F}_0$  it follows that  $U_0 = F_{00} \cap U \neq \emptyset$  and  $U_1 = F_{01} \cap U \neq \emptyset$ . We have:

$$\pi(U) = \pi(U_0 \cup U_1) = \pi(U_0) \cup \pi(U_1) = U_0 \cup \pi(U_1) \subseteq W_k.$$

Since  $W_0 \cap W_k = \emptyset$  and  $U \subseteq W_0$  we see that  $U_0 = (U_0 \cup \pi(U_1)) \cap U = \emptyset$ . Contradiction! So (a) cannot be the case.

(b) For all  $Y \in X/\sim$ , |L| < 2. If this is the case then it is easy to see that there exists a  $k \in \omega$  such that for all  $n \geq k, X^c \in \mathcal{F}_n$ . Without loss of generality we may assume that  $X^c \in \mathcal{F}_0 \cap \mathcal{F}_1$ . As in case (a) we fix  $F_0 \in \mathcal{F}_0$ ,  $F_1 \in \mathcal{F}_1$ ,  $F_0, F_1 \subseteq X^c$  such that  $F_0 \cap F_1 = \emptyset$ . Let  $\{F_{00}, F_{01}\}$ ,

 $\{F_{10}, F_{11}\}\$  and  $\pi$  be as in the proof of case (a). Similarly with the proof of case (a) we can show (b) cannot be the case.

Since one of the cases (a) and (b) must hold true, we have arrived at a contradiction. Hence, there is no  $H \in \mathcal{H}$  with  $H \subseteq sym(\mathfrak{F})$  meaning that  $\mathfrak{F} \notin \mathcal{N}51$ .

(iii) This follows at once from part (ii). **NAS**, hence by Proposition 2.1 **IFBI**<sub>2</sub> also holds true in  $\mathcal{N}51$  but by part (ii) **IFBI** fails. An application of the Jech-Sochor Embedding Theorem (Theorem 6.1 in [4]) at this point yields a **ZF** model satisfying **IFBI**<sub>2</sub> and the negation of **IFBI**.

The following diagram summarizes the web of implications and non-implications between the principles, as well as the questions left open.  $\Box$ 

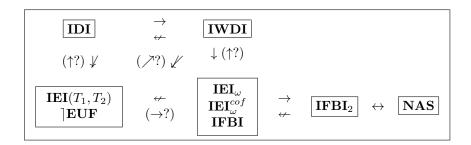


Diagram 1

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