Rank of $\mathcal{F}$-limits of filter sequences

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Rank of an analytic filter $\mathcal{F}$ is the ordinal:

$$\mathrm{rk}(\mathcal{F}) = \min\left\{\alpha < \omega_1 : \mathcal{F} \textit{ is } \Sigma^0_{1+\alpha}\textit{-separated from } \mathcal{F}^*\right\}.$$

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Theorem (Debs and Saint Raymond, 2009)

Let $\mathcal{F}$ be an analytic filter and $\alpha < \omega_1$ be a countable ordinal. Then
(a) $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{F}}(X) \subset \mathcal{B}_\alpha(X)$ for any Polish space X if and only if $\mathrm{rk}(\mathcal{F}) \leq \alpha$.
(b) $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{F}}(X) \supset \mathcal{B}_\alpha(X)$ for any zero-dimensional Polish space X if and only if $\mathrm{rk}(\mathcal{F}) \geq \alpha$.

$x \in X$ is a limit relatively to $\mathcal{F}$ of a sequence $(x_i)_{i\in I} \subset X$, if $\{i \in I : \rho_X(x_i, x) < \epsilon\} \in \mathcal{F}$ for every $\epsilon > 0$.

$\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{F}}(X)$ is the family of all real-valued functions on X, which can be represented as a pointwise limit relatively to $\mathcal{F}$ of a sequence of continuous functions.

$\mathcal{B}_\alpha(X)$ is the family of all real-valued functions on X of Borel class α.

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(c) If $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{F}_{Fr}$ and $\mathrm{rk}(\mathcal{F}_i) \leq \beta$ for all $i \in J$, then $\mathrm{rk}(\mathcal{G}) \leq \beta + 1$.

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If $\mathcal{F}$ is a filter on I and $(\mathcal{F}_i)_{i\in I}$ are filters on X, then

$$\lim_{\mathcal{F}} \mathcal{F}_i = \{A \subset X : \{i \in I : A \in \mathcal{F}_i\} \in \mathcal{F}\}$$

is a filter on X called the $\mathcal{F}$-limit of filters $(\mathcal{F}_i)_{i\in I}$.

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Let $S_i \in \Pi^0_{1+\beta}(X)$ be sets separating the filters $\mathcal{F}_i$ from their dual ideals. Define

$$S = \bigcup_{n \in \omega} \bigcup_{m \in \omega} \bigcap_{k > m} \bigcup_{i \in Z_n^k \cap J} S_i.$$

S is of additive class $1 + \beta + 1$ and separates $\lim_{\mathcal{F}} \mathcal{F}_i$ from its dual ideal.

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Take any (non-maximal) filter $\mathcal{F}$ of rank β and a set H such that $H \notin \mathcal{F}$ and $\mathrm{dom}(\mathcal{F}) \setminus H \notin \mathcal{F}$. Set $\mathcal{F}_i = \mathcal{G}_0$ for $i \in H$ and $\mathcal{F}_i = \mathcal{G}_1$ for $i \notin H$. Then $\lim_{\mathcal{F}} \mathcal{F}_i$ is equal to $\mathcal{G}_0 \cap \mathcal{G}_1$.

Thank you for your attention!

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