# Convergence of Borel measures and filters on $\boldsymbol{\omega}$

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X — an infinite Tychonoff space

 $C_p(X)$  — the space of real-valued continuous functions on X with the pointwise topology

K — an infinite compact Hausdorff space

C(K) — the Banach space of real-valued continuous functions on K with the supremum norm

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If  $x \in X$ , then  $\delta_x$  is a measure on X (the Dirac measure at x).

A measure  $\mu$  on X is *finitely supported* if  $\mu = \sum_{x \in F} \alpha_x \delta_x$  for some finite F and non-zero  $\alpha_x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

The set *F* is called *the support* of  $\mu$ , denoted by supp $(\mu)$ , and  $\|\mu\| = \sum_{x \in F} |\alpha_x|$ .

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 $C(\beta\omega \times \beta\omega)$  may be written as the sum  $E \oplus c_0$  where E is a closed subspace, even though  $C(\beta\omega)$  may not (Cembranos '84).

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## Definition

For a Tychonoff space X we say that  $C_p(X)$  has the Josefson-Nissenzweig Property (JNP) if X satisfies (2) of the theorem. A sequence  $\langle \mu_n : n \in \omega \rangle$  from (2) is called a JN-sequence on X.

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- if X is compact, then either X admits a JN-sequence with supports of size 2, or  $\lim_{n} |\operatorname{supp}(\mu_n)| = \infty$ .

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**Remark:** Many consistent examples of Efimov spaces are obtained by minimal extensions, e.g.

Fedorchuk ( $\Diamond$ ), Dow and Pichardo-Mendoza (CH), Dow and Shelah (MA+ $\neg$ CH) etc.

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## Theorem (Cembranos '84, Freniche '84)

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### Corollary

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For every disjoint  $A, B \in [\omega]^{\omega}$  and bijection  $f: A \to B$  the graph  $G = \{(x, f(x)): x \in A\}$  is a discrete clopen subset of  $X \times X$ .

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#### Corollary

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#### Theorem

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◎  $\lim_{n} |\nu_n|(\Delta_X) = 1$ , but  $\Delta_X \cong X$  and  $C_p(X)$  does not have the JNP, a contradiction.

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# Thank you for the attention!