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Some more results on i-convergence of filters

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Abstract: In this paper, we have proved some more results on I-convergence of filters. We have proved the equivalence of I-convergence and ordinary convergence of filters as well as the equivalence of I-convergence of nets and filters.

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1 Introduction

The concept of convergence of a sequence of real numbers has been extended to statistical convergence independently by H. Fast [4] and I. J. Schoenberg [21]. Any convergent sequence is statistically convergent but the converse is not true [18]. Moreover, a statistically convergent sequence need not even be bounded [18]. Let \mathbb{N} denotes the set of natural numbers. If $K \subset \mathbb{N}$, then K_n will denote the set $\{k \in K : k \le n\}$ and $|K_n|$ stands for the cardinality of K_n . The natural density of K is defined by

$$d(K) = \lim_{n} \frac{|K_n|}{n},$$

if the limit exists [5,17].

The concept of I-convergence of real sequences [7,8] is a generalization of statistical convergence which is based on the structure of the ideal I of subsets of the set of natural numbers. The notion of ideal convergence for single sequences was first defined and studied by Kostyrko et. al. [7]. Mursaleen et. al. [13] defined and studied the notion of ideal convergence in random 2-normed spaces and construct some interesting examples. Several works on I-convergence and statistical convergence have been done in [1,3,6,7,8,9,12,13,14,15,16,20].

The idea of *I*-convergence of real sequences coincides with the idea of ordinary convergence if *I* is the ideal of all finite subsets of \mathbb{N} and with the statistical convergence if *I* is the ideal of subsets of \mathbb{N} of natural density zero [10].

The idea of I-convergence has been extended from real number space to metric space [7] and to a normed linear space [19] in recent works. Later B. K. Lahiri and P. Das [10] extended the idea of I-convergence to an arbitrary topological space and observed that the basic properties are preserved in a topological space. In [11], they also introduced the idea of I-convergence of nets in a topological space and examined how far it affects the basic properties. [6] introduced the idea of I-convergence of filters in a topological space X and studied its various properties. [6] proved that basic properties of convergence of filters in a topological space X also hold in case of I-convergence of filters. We start with the following definitions.

Definition 1. Let X be a non-empty set. Then a family $\mathscr{F} \subset 2^X$ is called a **filter** on X if



- (i) $\emptyset \notin \mathscr{F}$,
- (ii) $A, B \in \mathscr{F}$ implies $A \cap B \in \mathscr{F}$ and
- (iii) $A \in \mathscr{F}, B \supset A$ implies $B \in \mathscr{F}$.

Definition 2. Let X be a non-empty set. Then a family $I \subset 2^X$ is called an **ideal** of X if

- (i) $\emptyset \in I$,
- (ii) $A, B \in I$ implies $A \cup B \in I$ and
- (iii) $A \in I, B \subset A$ implies $B \in I$.

Definition 3. Let X be a non-empty set. Then a filter \mathscr{F} on X is said to be **non-trivial** if $\mathscr{F} \neq \{X\}$.

Definition 4. Let X be a non-empty set. Then an ideal I of X is said to be **non-trivial** if $I \neq \{\emptyset\}$ and $X \notin I$.

Note (i) $\mathscr{F} = \mathscr{F}(I) = \{A \subset X : X \setminus A \in I\}$ is a filter on *X*, called the **filter associated with the ideal** *I*. (ii) $I = I(\mathscr{F}) = \{A \subset X : X \setminus A \in \mathscr{F}\}$ is an ideal of *X*, called the **ideal associated with the filter** \mathscr{F} . (iii) A non-trivial ideal *I* of *X* is called **admissible** if *I* contains all the singleton subsets of X. Several examples of non-trivial admissible ideals have been considered in [7].

Throughout this paper, $X = (X, \tau)$ will stand for a topological space and $I = I(\mathscr{F})$ will be the ideal of X associated with the filter \mathscr{F} on X.

Before proving some more results on I-convergence of filters, we give a brief discussion on I-convergence of filters as given by [6].

Definition 5. A filter \mathscr{F} on X is said to be I-convergent to $x_0 \in X$ if for each nbd U of x_0 , $\{y \in X : y \notin U\} \in I$. In this case, x_0 is called an I-limit of \mathscr{F} and is written as I-lim $\mathscr{F} = x_0$.

Theorem 1. A filter \mathscr{F} on X is I-convergent to x_0 if and only if for each nbd U of x_0 , $\{V \in \mathscr{P}(X) : U \cap V = \emptyset\} \subset I$.

Proposition 1. If X is Hausdorff, then any I-convergent filter \mathscr{F} on X has a unique I-limit.

Notation In case more than one filter is involved, we use the notation $I(\mathscr{F})$ to denote the ideal associated with the corresponding filter \mathscr{F} .

Proposition 2. Let $E \subset X$ and \mathscr{F} be a filter on E which is I-convergent to $x_0 \in X$, where $I = I(\mathscr{F})$ is an admissible ideal of E. Then x_0 is a limit point of E. Conversely, if x_0 is a limit point of E, then there is a filter on $E \setminus \{x_0\}$ which is I-convergent to x_0 , for some admissible ideal I of E.

Proposition 3. Let X and Y be two topological spaces and $f: X \to Y$ be a map. Let \mathscr{F} be a filter on X. Then $f: X \to Y$ is continuous at $x_0 \in X$ if and only if $I_X - \lim \mathscr{F} = x_0$ in X implies $I_Y - \lim f(\mathscr{F}) = f(x_0)$, where $I_X = I_X(\mathscr{F})$, $f(\mathscr{F})$ is a filter on Y generated by the base $\{f(F): F \in \mathscr{F}\}$ and $I_Y = I_Y(f(\mathscr{F}))$.

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Proposition 4. Let $E \subset X$. Then $x_0 \in \overline{E}$ if and only if there is a filter \mathscr{F} on X such that $E \in \mathscr{F}$ and $I - \lim \mathscr{F} = x_0$.

Proposition 5. Let \mathscr{F} be a filter on X such that $I - \lim \mathscr{F} = x_0$. Then every filter \mathscr{F}' finer than \mathscr{F} also I-converges to x_0 , where $I = I(\mathscr{F})$.

Remark. Let \mathscr{F} be a filter on X and \mathscr{F}' be another filter on X finer than \mathscr{F} . Then $I(\mathscr{F}') - \lim \mathscr{F}' = x_0$ need not imply that $I(\mathscr{F}) - \lim \mathscr{F} = x_0$.



Proposition 6. Let \mathscr{F} be a filter on X such that $I - \lim \mathscr{F} = x_0$. Then every filter \mathscr{F}' on X coarser than \mathscr{F} also I-converges to x_0 , where $I = I(\mathscr{F})$.

Note The above proposition need not be true if we replace $I(\mathscr{F}) - \lim \mathscr{F}'$ by $I(\mathscr{F}') - \lim \mathscr{F}'$.

Proposition 7.Let \mathscr{F} be a filter on X and \mathscr{G} be any other filter on X finer than \mathscr{F} . Then $I(\mathscr{F}) - \lim \mathscr{G} = x_0$ implies $I(\mathscr{G}) - \lim \mathscr{G} = x_0$. But not conversely.

Proposition 8.Let τ_1 and τ_2 be two topologies on X such that τ_1 is coarser than τ_2 . Let \mathscr{F} be a filter on X such that $I - \lim \mathscr{F} = x_0$ w.r.t τ_2 . Then $I - \lim \mathscr{F} = x_0$ w.r.t τ_1 . But the converse need not be true.

Proposition 9.Let \mathscr{M} be a collection of all those filters \mathscr{G} on a space X which $I(\mathscr{G})$ -converges to the same point $x_0 \in X$. Then the intersection \mathscr{F} of all the filters in \mathscr{M} $I(\mathscr{F})$ -converges to x_0 .

Proposition 10. If every I-convergent filter \mathscr{F} on X has a unique I-limit, then the space X is Hausdorff.

Theorem 2. A filter \mathscr{F} I_X -converges to x in $X = \prod_{\alpha \in \Lambda} X_\alpha$ if and only if $p_\alpha(\mathscr{F})$ I_{X_α} -converges to $p_\alpha(x), \forall \alpha$, where $I_X = I_X(\mathscr{F})$ and $I_{X_\alpha} = I_{X_\alpha}(p_\alpha(\mathscr{F}))$.

This paper is an extension of the work done on *I*-convergence of filters in [6] and is inspired from [2,22].

2 Equivalence of *I*-convergence and convergence of a filter \mathscr{F}

We recall the following.

Let \mathscr{F} be a filter on X and let \mathscr{D} be a set that is bijective with the filter \mathscr{F} . We shall call \mathscr{D} an index set for \mathscr{F} and denote the bijective correspondence by $\mathscr{F} = \{F_d : d \in \mathscr{D}\}.$

Note It is easy to show that \mathscr{D} becomes a poset with the partial order defined by

$$c \leq d$$
 if and only if $F_c \supset F_d$.

In this case, we speak of an indexed filter.

Definition 6. Let \mathscr{F} be an indexed filter on X with index set \mathscr{D} . Any net $\lambda : \mathscr{D} \to X$ with $\lambda(d) \in F_d$ is called a **derived** net of \mathscr{F} .

Definition 7. Let λ be a net in X with directed set \mathcal{D} . Then $\mathscr{F} = \{F \subset X : \lambda \text{ is eventually in } F\}$ is called a **derived filter** of λ . By λ eventually in F, we mean that some tail of λ is contained in F. By tail of λ , we mean the set $\Lambda_d = \{\lambda(c) : c \geq d \text{ in } \mathcal{D}\}$.

Definition 8. A net $\lambda : \mathcal{D} \to X$ in X is said to be **convergent** to $x_0 \in X$ if for each nbd U of x_0 , there is some $d \in \mathcal{D}$ such that $c \ge d$ in \mathcal{D} implies that $\lambda(c) \in U$. In other words, some tail $\Lambda_d = \{\lambda(c) : c \ge d \text{ in } \mathcal{D}\} \subset U$.

Theorem 3. A filter \mathscr{F} on X *I*-converges to $x_0 \in X$ if and only if every derived net λ of \mathscr{F} converges to x_0 .

Proof. Suppose $I - \lim \mathscr{F} = x_0$. This means that for each nbd U of x_0 , $\{V \in \mathscr{P}(X) : U \cap V = \emptyset\} \subset I$. Let us index \mathscr{F} with an index set \mathscr{D} so that $\mathscr{F} = \{F_s : s \in \mathscr{D}\}$. Let us give some direction to \mathscr{D} so that $c \geq d$ in \mathscr{D} if and only if $F_c \subset F_d$. Let λ be a derived net of \mathscr{F} so obtained. We have to show that the net λ converges to x_0 . For this, let U be a nbd of x_0 . Since $U \cap (X \setminus U) = \emptyset$, we find that $X \setminus U \in I$. This implies that $U \in \mathscr{F}$. Now $U \in \mathscr{F}$ implies $U = F_d$, for some $d \in \mathscr{D}$. Now if $c \geq d$, then $F_c \subset F_d$ and so $\lambda(c) \in F_c \subset F_d = U$. Thus there is some tail $\Lambda_d = \{\lambda(c) : c \geq d \text{ in } \mathscr{D}\}$ of λ such that $\Lambda_d \subset U$. That is, λ is eventually in U. Thus $\lambda \to x_0$.

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Conversely, suppose every derived net λ converges to x_0 . We shall show that $I - \lim \mathscr{F} = x_0$. For this, let U be a nbd of x_0 . We claim that $\{V \in \mathscr{P}(X) : U \cap V = \emptyset\} \subset I$. Since $\lambda \to x_0$, tail $\Lambda_d = \{\lambda(c) : c \ge d \text{ in } \mathscr{D}\} \subset U$. Since λ is a derived net, there exists $F_c \in \mathscr{F}$ for $c \in \mathscr{D}$ such that $\lambda(c) \in F_c$. Thus $\Lambda_d \in \mathscr{F}$. Now, let $V \in \mathscr{P}(X)$ such that $U \cap V = \emptyset$. Then $V \subset X \setminus U$ implies $V \subset X \setminus \Lambda_d \subset U$) and so $V \in I$ ($\because \Lambda_d \in \mathscr{F}$). Therefore, $\{V \in \mathscr{P}(X) : U \cap V = \emptyset\} \subset I$. Hence $I - \lim \mathscr{F} = x_0$. This completes the proof.

We recall [22] that a filter \mathscr{F} on a topological space *X* is said to **converge** to x_0 (written as $\mathscr{F} \to x_0$) if \mathscr{F} is finer than the nbd filter at x_0 (i.e., $\mathscr{U}_{x_0} \subset \mathscr{F}$). Using Theorem 2.4, we can prove the equivalence of *I*-convergence and convergence of a filter \mathscr{F} .

Theorem 4. A filter \mathscr{F} on X *I*-converges to $x_0 \in X$ if and only if \mathscr{F} converges to x_0 . **Proof** We know that a filter \mathscr{F} converges to x_0 in a topological space X if and only if every derived net λ does [22]. Using Theorem 2.4, we get the required result.

Theorem 5. A net $\lambda : \mathcal{D} \to X$ converges to $x_0 \in X$ if and only if the derived filter \mathscr{F} of λI – converges to x_0 . **Proof** Suppose a net $\lambda : \mathcal{D} \to X$ converges to $x_0 \in X$. This means that for each nbd U of x_0 , some tail $\Lambda_d = \{\lambda(c) : c \ge d \text{ in } \mathcal{D}\} \subset U$. Since \mathscr{F} is a derived filter, each nbd $U \in \mathscr{F}$ (by definition of derived filter and the given condition). We have to show that $I - \lim \mathscr{F} = x_0$. For this, let U be a nbd of x_0 . We claim that $\{V \in \mathscr{P}(X) : U \cap V = \emptyset\} \subset I$. So, let $V \in \mathscr{P}(X)$ such that $U \cap V = \emptyset$. Now $U \cap V = \emptyset$ implies that $V \subset X \setminus U$. Since $U \in \mathscr{F}, X \setminus U \in I$. Further, I is an ideal of X and $V \subset X \setminus U$ implies that $V \in I$. Therefore, $\{V \in \mathscr{P}(X) : U \cap V = \emptyset\} \subset I$. Conversely, suppose \mathscr{F} is a derived filter of λ such that $I - \lim \mathscr{F} = x_0$. This means that for each nbd U of x_0 , $\{V \in \mathscr{P}(X) : U \cap V = \emptyset\} \subset I \cdots (*)$. We shall show that the net $\lambda : \mathscr{D} \to X$ converges to x_0 . Suppose λ does not converge to x_0 . This means that there is some nbd U of x_0 such that $\lambda : \mathfrak{D} \to X$ converges to x_0 . Suppose λ does not converge to x_0 . This means that there is not eventually in U. That is, $\Lambda_d = \{\lambda(c) : c \ge d \text{ in } \mathscr{D}\} \nsubseteq U$, for any tail Λ_d . Since \mathscr{F} is a derived filter, $U \notin \mathscr{F}$. From (*), $U \cap (X \setminus U) = \emptyset$ implies that $X \setminus U \in I$. This further implies that $U \in \mathscr{F}$, which is not true. Therefore, our supposition is wrong. Hence $\lambda \to x_0$.

3 Equivalence of *I*-convergence of filters and nets

We first define the I-convergence of nets in X.

Definition 9. Let *I* be a non-trivial ideal of subsets of *X*. Let $\lambda : \mathcal{D} \to X$ be a net in *X*, where \mathcal{D} is a directed set. Then λ is said to be *I*-convergent to x_0 in *X* if for each nbd *U* of x_0 , $\{\lambda(c) \in X : \lambda(c) \notin U\} \in I$.

Theorem 6. A filter \mathscr{F} on X *I*-converges to $x_0 \in X$ if and only if every derived net λ of \mathscr{F} *I*-converges to x_0 , where $I = I(\mathscr{F})$.

Proof. Suppose $I - \lim \mathscr{F} = x_0 \cdots (*)$. Let us index \mathscr{F} with an index set \mathscr{D} so that $\mathscr{F} = \{F_d : d \in \mathscr{D}\}$. Let us give some direction to \mathscr{D} so that $c \ge d$ in \mathscr{D} if and only if $F_c \subset F_d$. Let $\lambda : \mathscr{D} \to X$ be the derived net of \mathscr{F} so obtained. This means that $\lambda(c) \in F_c$, for some $c \in \mathscr{D}$. We have to show that $I - \lim \lambda = x_0$. For this, let U be a nbd of x_0 . We claim that $\{\lambda(c) \in X : \lambda(c) \notin U\} \in I$. So, let $\lambda(c) \in X$ such that $\lambda(c) \notin U$. Then by the given condition $(*), \{\lambda(c)\} \in I$. Hence $\{\lambda(c) \in X : \lambda(c) \notin U\} \in I$.

Conversely, suppose every derived net $\lambda : \mathcal{D} \to X$ of $\mathcal{F} I$ -converges to $x_0 \cdots (**)$. We have to show that $I - \lim \mathcal{F} = x_0$. For this, let U be a nbd of x_0 . We claim that $\{y \in X : y \notin U\} \in I$. So, let $y \in X$ such that $y \notin U$. We need to show that $\{y\} \in I$. If $y \neq \lambda(c)$, for any $c \in \mathcal{D}$, then clearly $y \notin F_c$, for any $c \in \mathcal{D}$ and so $y \in X \setminus F_c$, for some $c \in \mathcal{D}$. This implies that $\{y\} \in I$. If $y = \lambda(c)$, for some $c \in \mathcal{D}$, then $y \notin U$ implies that $\lambda(c) \notin U$. By the given condition (**), $\{\lambda(c)\} \in I$. This implies that $\{y\} \in I$.



Lemma 1. A filter \mathscr{F} on X converges to x_0 in X if and only if every derived net λ of \mathscr{F} *I*-converges to x_0 . **Proof** *It* follows from Theorems 2 · 5 and 3 · 2.

Theorem 7. Let $\lambda : \mathcal{D} \to X$ be a net in X and \mathscr{F} be a derived filter of λ . Then λI -converges to x_0 in X if and only if the derived filter \mathscr{F} *I*-converges to x_0 , where $I = I(\mathscr{F})$.

Proof. Let $\lambda : \mathscr{D} \to X$ be a net in X and \mathscr{F} be a derived filter of λ . Suppose $I - \lim \lambda = x_0$. Then for each nbd U of x_0 , $\{\lambda(c) \in X : \lambda(c) \notin U\} \in I \cdots (*)$. We have to show that $I - \lim \mathscr{F} = x_0$. For this, let U be a nbd of x_0 . We claim that $\{y \in X : y \notin U\} \in I$. So, let $y \in X$ such that $y \notin U$. If $y = \lambda(c)$, for some $c \in \mathscr{D}$, then clearly by the given condition $\{y\} \in I$. If $y \neq \lambda(c)$, for any $c \in \mathscr{D}$, then we proceed as follows. $y \neq \lambda(c)$, for any $c \in \mathscr{D}$ implies that $y \notin \Lambda_d$, for any tail Λ_d of λ . Thus $\Lambda_d \subset U$. Since \mathscr{F} is a derived filter, by definition $U \in \mathscr{F}$. This implies that $X \setminus U \in I$. Now $y \notin U$ implies that $y \in X \setminus U$ and so $\{y\} \in I$. Therefore, $\{y \in X : y \notin U\} \in I$. Hence $I - \lim \mathscr{F} = x_0$.

Conversely, suppose that $I - \lim \mathscr{F} = x_0$. Then for each nbd U of x_0 , $\{y \in X : y \notin U\} \in I \cdots (**)$. We have to show that $I - \lim \lambda = x_0$. For this, let U be a nbd of x_0 . We claim that $\{\lambda(c) \in X : \lambda(c) \notin U\} \in I$. So, let $\lambda(c) \in X$ such that $\lambda(c) \notin U$. Clearly, by the given condition (**), $\{\lambda(c)\} \in I$. Therefore, $I - \lim \lambda = x_0$.

We have the following definition of I-convergence of nets in X as given by [11].

Definition 10. Let \mathscr{D} be a directed set. Let I be a non-trivial ideal of subsets of \mathscr{D} . A net $\lambda : \mathscr{D} \to X$ is said to be I-convergent to x_0 in X if for each nbd U of x_0 , $\{c \in \mathscr{D} : \lambda(c) \notin U\} \in I$.

With the help of an example, we shall show that $I(\mathscr{F}) - \lim \mathscr{F} = x_0$ need not imply that $I(\lambda) - \lim \lambda = x_0$, where $I(\mathscr{F})$ is the ideal associated with the filter \mathscr{F} and $I(\lambda)$ is the non-trivial ideal of subsets of the directed set \mathscr{D} of λ .

Example 1. Let $X = \{1,2,3\}$ with $\tau = \{0,\{1\},X\}$. Here, $\mathscr{U}_1 = \{\{1\},\{1,2\},\{1,3\},X\}, \mathscr{U}_2 = \{X\}$ and $\mathscr{U}_3 = \{X\}$. Let $\mathscr{F} = \{\{1\},\{1,2\},\{1,3\},X\}$. Then $I(\mathscr{F}) = \{0,\{2\},\{3\},\{2,3\}\}$. We can easily see that 1,2 and 3 are $I(\mathscr{F})$ – limits of \mathscr{F} . Now let $\mathscr{D} = \{a,b,c,d\}$. Then there is a one-to-one correspondance $\phi : \mathscr{D} \to \mathscr{F}$ given by $\phi(a) = F_a = X$, $\phi(b) = F_b = \{1,3\}, \phi(c) = F_c = \{1,2\}$ and $\phi(d) = F_d = \{1\}$. Let $\lambda : \mathscr{D} \to X$ be the directed net so obtained such that $\lambda(i) \in F_i$, for i = a, b, c, d. Suppose $\lambda = \{1, 2, 1, 1\}$. Let $I(\lambda) = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{c\}, \{a, c\}\}$. We can see that for x = 1 and $U = \{1\}, \{t \in \mathscr{D} : \lambda(t) \notin \{1\}\} = \{b\} \notin I(\lambda)$. Therefore, $I(\lambda) - \lim \lambda \neq 1$.

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