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# More on *I*-cluster points of filters

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Abstract: This paper is an extension of our paper I-cluster points of filters [8]. In this paper, we have discussed the relationship between I-cluster points of filters and cluster points of nets and estabilished their equivalence. We have also estabilished the equivalence of I-cluster points of filters and nets.

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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 [23]. Kostyrko et. al. in [9], [10] generalized the notion of statistical convergence and introduced the concept of *I*-convergence of real sequences which is based on the structure of the ideal *I* of subsets of the set of natural numbers. Mursaleen et. al. [15] 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], [10], [11], [14], [15], [16], [17], [18], [22].

The idea of I-convergence has been extended from real number space to metric space [9] and to a normed linear space [21] in recent works. Later the idea of I-convergence was extended to an arbitrary topological space by B. K. Lahiri and P. Das [12]. It was observed that the basic properties remained preserved in a topological space. Lahiri and Das [13] introduced the idea of I-convergence of nets in a topological space and examined how far it affects the basic properties.

Taking the idea of [13], Jamwal et. al introduced the idea of I-convergence of filters and studied its various properties in [6]. Jamwal et. al reintroduced the idea of I-convergence of nets in a topological space in [7] and estabilished the equivalence of I-convergences of nets and filters on a topological space. Jamwal et. al introduced the idea of I-cluster points of filters in a topological space and studied their properties in [8]. 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 [9].

We give a brief discussion on *I*-convergence of filters and nets in a topological space as given by [6], [7]. Throughout this paper,  $X = (X, \tau)$  will stand for a topological space and  $I = I(\mathscr{F})$  will be the ideal associated with the filter  $\mathscr{F}$  on *X*.

**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 $\mathscr{F} = x_0$ .

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

**Lemma 1.** Let  $\mathscr{F}$  and  $\mathscr{G}$  be two filters on X. Then  $\mathscr{F} \subset \mathscr{G}$  if and only if  $I(\mathscr{F}) \subset I(\mathscr{G})$ .

**Proposition 1.** Let  $\mathscr{F}$  be a filter on X such that  $I - \lim \mathscr{F} = x_0$ . Then every filter  $\mathscr{F}'$  on X finer than  $\mathscr{F}$  also I-converges to  $x_0$ , where  $I = I(\mathscr{F})$ .

**Proposition 2.** 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  $I = I(\mathscr{F})$ .

**Proposition 3.** 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  $I(\mathscr{G}) - \lim \mathscr{G} = x_0$ .

**Proposition 4.** Let  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  be two topologies on X such that  $\tau_1$  is coarser than  $\tau_2$ . Let  $\mathscr{F}$  be a filter on X such that  $I - \lim \mathscr{F} = x_0$  w.r.t  $\tau_2$ . Then  $I - \lim \mathscr{F} = x_0$  w.r.t  $\tau_1$ .

**Lemma 2.** Let  $\mathscr{M} = \{\mathscr{G} : \mathscr{G} \text{ is a filter on } X\}$ . Then  $\mathscr{F} = \bigcap_{\mathscr{G} \in \mathscr{M}} \mathscr{G} \text{ if and only if } I(\mathscr{F}) = \bigcap_{\mathscr{G} \in \mathscr{M}} I(\mathscr{G})$ .

**Proposition 5.** 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  $x_0$ .

**Theorem 1.** A filter  $\mathscr{F}$  on X *I*-converges to  $x_0 \in X$  if and only if every derived net  $\lambda$  of  $\mathscr{F}$  converges to  $x_0$ .

**Theorem 2.** A filter  $\mathscr{F}$  on X *I*-converges to  $x_0 \in X$  if and only if  $\mathscr{F}$  converges to  $x_0$ .

**Definition 6.** 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  $\lambda$  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 3.** A filter  $\mathscr{F}$  on X *I*-converges to  $x_0 \in X$  if and only if every derived net  $\lambda$  of  $\mathscr{F}$  *I*-converges to  $x_0$ , where  $I = I(\mathscr{F})$ .

**Lemma 3.** A filter  $\mathscr{F}$  on X converges to  $x_0$  in X if and only if every derived net  $\lambda$  of  $\mathscr{F}$  I-converges to  $x_0$ , where  $I = I(\mathscr{F})$ .

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**Theorem 4.** Let  $\lambda : \mathcal{D} \to X$  be a net in X and  $\mathscr{F}$  be a derived filter of  $\lambda$ . Then  $\lambda I$ -converges to  $x_0$  in X if and only if the derived filter  $\mathscr{F}$  *I*-converges to  $x_0$ , where  $I = I(\mathscr{F})$ .

We now recall some of the results discussed in our paper *I*-cluster points of filters [8].

**Definition 7.** A point  $x_0 \in X$  is called an I-cluster point of a filter  $\mathscr{F}$  on X if for each nbd U of  $x_0$ ,  $\{y \in X : y \in U\} \notin I$ . In other words,  $x_0 \in X$  is called an I-cluster point of  $\mathscr{F}$  if  $U \notin I$ , for each nbd U of  $x_0$ .

*Equivalently,*  $x_0$  *is an* I-*cluster point of*  $\mathscr{F}$  *if for each nbd* U *of*  $x_0$ ,  $\{V \in \mathscr{P}(X) : U \subset V\} \nsubseteq I$ .

Notation Let  $I(C_{\mathscr{F}})$  and  $I(L_{\mathscr{F}})$  respectively denotes the set of all *I*-cluster points and the set of all *I*-limits of a filter  $\mathscr{F}$  on *X*.

**Theorem 5.** With usual notations,  $I(L_{\mathscr{F}}) \subset I(C_{\mathscr{F}})$ . But not conversely.

**Theorem 6.** Let  $\mathscr{F}$  be a filter on X. If  $x_0$  is an I-cluster point of  $\mathscr{F}$ , then for each nbd U of  $x_0$ ,  $\{V \in \mathscr{P}(X) : U \cap V \neq \emptyset\} \not\subseteq I$ .

**Proposition 6.** Let  $\mathscr{F}$  be a filter on a non-discrete space X. Then  $\mathscr{F}$  has  $x_0$  as an  $I(\mathscr{F})$ -cluster point if and only if there is a filter  $\mathscr{G}$  on X finer than  $\mathscr{F}$  such that  $I(\mathscr{G}) - \lim \mathscr{G} = x_0$ .

**Proposition 7.** Let  $\mathscr{F}$  be a filter on X and  $\mathscr{G}$  be a filter on X finer than  $\mathscr{F}$ . Then  $\mathscr{F}$  has  $x_0$  as an  $I(\mathscr{G})$ -cluster point if and only if  $I(\mathscr{G}) - \lim \mathscr{G} = x_0$ .

**Proposition 8.** Let  $\mathscr{F}$  be a filter on X such that  $\mathscr{F}$  has  $x_0 \in X$  as an I-cluster point. Then every filter  $\mathscr{F}'$  finer than  $\mathscr{F}$  also has  $x_0$  as an I-cluster point, where  $I = I(\mathscr{F})$ .

**Proposition 9.** Let  $\mathscr{F}$  be a filter on X such that  $\mathscr{F}$  has  $x_0 \in X$  as an I-cluster point. Then every filter  $\mathscr{F}'$  coarser than  $\mathscr{F}$  also has  $x_0$  as an I-cluster point, where  $I = I(\mathscr{F})$ .

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

**Proposition 10.** Let  $\tau_1$  and  $\tau_2$  be two topologies on X such that  $\tau_1$  is coarser than  $\tau_2$ . Let  $\mathscr{F}$  be a filter on X such that  $x_0$  is an I-cluster point of  $\mathscr{F}$  w.r.t  $\tau_2$ . Then  $x_0$  is also an I-cluster point of  $\mathscr{F}$  w.r.t  $\tau_1$ . But not conversely.

**Proposition 11.** Let  $\mathscr{M}$  be a collection of all those filters  $\mathscr{G}$  on a space X which have  $x_0 \in X$  as an  $I(\mathscr{G})$ -cluster point. Then the intersection  $\mathscr{F}$  of all the filters in  $\mathscr{M}$  also has  $x_0$  as an  $I(\mathscr{F})$ -cluster point.

**Theorem 7.** Let X be a Lindelöf space such that every filter on X has an I-cluster point, where I is an admissible ideal of X. Then X is compact.

**Theorem 8.** A topological space X is compact if and only if every filter on X has an I-cluster point.

# 2 Equivalence of *I*-cluster points of filters and cluster points of nets

We have the following definition of cluster point of a net in a space X as given by [24].

**Definition 8.** Let  $\lambda : \mathcal{D} \to X$  be a net in X. Then a point  $x_0 \in X$  is called a **cluster point** of  $\lambda$  if  $\lambda$  is frequently in each nbd of  $x_0$ . By  $\lambda$  frequently in each nbd of  $x_0$ , we mean that for each nbd U of  $x_0$  and each  $d \in \mathcal{D}$ , there is  $c \ge d$  in  $\mathcal{D}$  for which  $\lambda(c) \in U$ . Equivalently,  $x_0$  is a cluster point of  $\lambda$  if each tail of  $\lambda$  is contained in U, for each nbd U of  $x_0$ , where  $\Lambda_d = \{\lambda(c) : c \ge d \text{ in } \mathcal{D}\}$  is a tail of the net  $\lambda$  in X. In other words, we can say that  $x_0$  is a cluster point of  $\lambda$  if  $\Lambda_d \cap U \neq \emptyset$ , for each nbd U of  $x_0$  and each tail  $\Lambda_d$  of the net  $\lambda$  in X.

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**Theorem 9.** A net  $\lambda : \mathcal{D} \to X$  has  $x_0 \in X$  as a cluster point if and only if  $x_0$  is an I-cluster point of the derived filter on X, where  $I = I(\mathcal{F})$ .

**Proof.** Suppose  $x_0$  is a cluster point of a net  $\lambda : \mathcal{D} \to X$ . Then for each nbd U of  $x_0$  and each  $d \in \mathcal{D}$ , there is  $c \ge d$  in  $\mathcal{D}$  such that  $\lambda(c) \in U$ . That is, each tail of  $\lambda$  is contained in U. Let  $\mathscr{F}$  be the derived filter of  $\lambda$ . That is,  $\mathscr{F} = \{F \subset X : \text{ some tail of } \lambda \text{ is contained in } F\}$ . Since each tail of  $\lambda$  is contained in U, we find that  $U \in \mathscr{F}$ , for each nbd U of  $x_0$ .

Thus  $\mathscr{U}_{x_0} \subset \mathscr{F}$ , where  $\mathscr{U}_{x_0}$  is the nbd filter at  $x_0$ . This implies that  $\mathscr{F}$  is convergent to  $x_0$ . Hence by Theorem 2,  $\mathscr{F}$  is *I*-convergent to  $x_0$ . Also, by Theorem 5,  $I(L_{\mathscr{F}}) \subset I(C_{\mathscr{F}})$ , where the symbols have their usual meanings. This proves that  $x_0$  is an *I*-cluster point of  $\mathscr{F}$ .

Conversely, suppose  $\mathscr{F}$  is the derived filter of a net  $\lambda : \mathscr{D} \to X$  such that  $x_0$  is an *I*-cluster point of  $\mathscr{F}$ . Then for each nbd *U* of  $x_0, U \notin I$ .

We shall show that  $x_0$  is a cluster point of  $\lambda$ . For this, let U be a nbd of  $x_0$ . Then by the given condition  $U \notin I$ . Now  $U \notin I \Rightarrow X \setminus U \notin \mathscr{F}$ . Since  $\mathscr{F}$  is a derived filter, for any  $d \in \mathscr{D}, \Lambda_d \notin X \setminus U$ . This means that  $\Lambda_d \cap U \neq \emptyset$ , for every tail  $\Lambda_d$  and every nbd U of  $x_0$ . This shows that  $\lambda$  is frequently in each nbd of  $x_0$ . Hence  $x_0$  is a cluster point of  $\lambda$ .

**Theorem 10.** A filter  $\mathscr{F}$  on X has  $x_0$  as an I-cluster point if and only if every derived net of  $\mathscr{F}$  has  $x_0$  as a cluster point, where  $I = I(\mathscr{F})$ .

**Proof.** Suppose  $\mathscr{F}$  is a filter on X such that  $x_0$  is an I-cluster point of  $\mathscr{F}$ . 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  $c \ge d$  in  $\mathscr{D}$  if and only if  $F_c \subset F_d$ . Let  $\lambda$  be a derived net of  $\mathscr{F}$  so obtained. We have to show that  $x_0$  is a cluster point of  $\lambda$ .

Since  $x_0$  is an I-cluster point of  $\mathscr{F}$ ,  $U \notin I$ , for any nbd U of  $x_0$ . This implies that  $X \setminus U \notin \mathscr{F}$ , for any nbd U of  $x_0$ . Since  $\mathscr{F} = \{F_s : s \in \mathscr{D}\}, X \setminus U \neq F_s$ , for any  $s \in \mathscr{D}$ . Let  $d \in \mathscr{D}$ . Then  $X \setminus U \neq F_d$ . Also,  $\lambda(d) \in F_d$ . Now for  $c \geq d$  in  $\mathscr{D}$ ,  $F_c \subset F_d$  and so  $\lambda(c), \lambda(d) \in F_d$ . Clearly,  $\lambda(c), \lambda(d) \notin X \setminus U$ . Thus we conclude that  $\Lambda_d \notin X \setminus U$ , for every tail  $\Lambda_d$  of  $\lambda$  and every nbd U of  $x_0$ . That is,  $\Lambda_d \cap U \neq \emptyset$ , for every tail  $\Lambda_d$  of  $\lambda$  and every nbd U of  $x_0$ . That is,  $\Lambda_d \cap U \neq \emptyset$ , for every tail  $\Lambda_d$  of  $\lambda$  and every nbd U of  $x_0$ . Then  $x_0$  is a cluster point of  $\lambda$ .

Conversely, suppose every derived net  $\lambda$  of  $\mathscr{F}$  has  $x_0$  as a cluster point. We have to show that  $x_0$  is an *I*-cluster point of  $\mathscr{F}$ . For this, let *U* be a nbd of  $x_0$ . Since  $x_0$  is a cluster point of  $\lambda$ , for the nbd *U* of  $x_0$ ,  $\Lambda_d \subset U$ ,  $\forall d \in \mathscr{D}$ . Since  $\lambda$  is a derived net, there exists  $F_d \in \mathscr{F}$ , for each  $d \in \mathscr{D}$  such that  $\lambda(d) \in F_d$ . Clearly,  $\Lambda_d \in \mathscr{F}$ , for each  $d \in \mathscr{D}$ . Since  $\mathscr{F}$  is a filter on *X*, we must have  $U \in \mathscr{F}$  ( $\mathscr{F}$  is closed under superset).

Now,  $U \in \mathscr{F}$ , for each nbd U of  $x_0$  implies  $\mathscr{U}_{x_0} \subset \mathscr{F}$ , where  $\mathscr{U}_{x_0}$  is the nbd filter at  $x_0$ . Therefore,  $\mathscr{F}$  converges to  $x_0$ . From Theorem 2,  $\mathscr{F}$  *I*-converges to  $x_0$ . Also, by Theorem 5,  $I(L_{\mathscr{F}}) \subset I(C_{\mathscr{F}})$ . This proves that  $x_0$  is an *I*-cluster point of  $\mathscr{F}$ .

We recall [24] that a filter  $\mathscr{F}$  on a topological space *X* clusters at  $x_0$ (or, has  $x_0$  as a cluster point) if each  $F \in \mathscr{F}$  meets each  $U \in \mathscr{U}_{x_0}$ . Equivalently,  $\mathscr{F}$  has  $x_0$  as a cluster point if and only if  $x_0 \in \cap \{\overline{F} : F \in \mathscr{F}\}$ .

**Theorem 11.** A filter  $\mathscr{F}$  on X has  $x_0$  as an I-cluster point if and only if it has  $x_0$  as a cluster point.

**Proof.** It follows from Theorem 10 and the fact that a filter  $\mathscr{F}$  on *X* has  $x_0$  as a cluster point if and only if every derived net in *X* has  $x_0$  as a cluster point.

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#### **3** Equivalence of *I*-cluster points of filters and nets

We first define the I-cluster points 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 a point  $x_0 \in X$  is said to be an *I*-cluster point of the net  $\lambda$  if for each nbd *U* of  $x_0$ ,  $\{\lambda(c) \in X : \lambda(c) \in U\} \notin I$ .

**Theorem 12.** A filter  $\mathscr{F}$  on X has  $x_0$  as an I-cluster point if and only if every derived net  $\lambda$  of  $\mathscr{F}$  has  $x_0$  as an I-cluster point, where  $I = I(\mathscr{F})$ .

**Proof.** Suppose a filter  $\mathscr{F}$  on X has  $x_0$  as an *I*-cluster point. Then for each nbd U of  $x_0$ ,  $\{V \in \mathscr{P}(X) : U \cap V \neq \emptyset\} \nsubseteq I \cdots (*).$ 

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  $\mathscr{D}$  such 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  $\lambda(s) \in F_s$ , for  $s \in \mathscr{D}$ . We have to show that  $x_0$  is an *I*-cluster point of  $\lambda$ .

For this, let *U* be a nbd of  $x_0$ . We claim that  $\{\lambda(c) \in X : \lambda(c) \in U\} \notin I$ . So, let  $\lambda(c) \in X$  such that  $\lambda(c) \in U$ . Now  $\lambda(c) \in U \Rightarrow \{\lambda(c)\} \subset U$  and so  $\{\lambda(c)\} \cap U \neq \emptyset$ . By  $(*), \{\lambda(c)\} \notin I$ . Therefore,  $x_0$  is an *I*-cluster point of  $\lambda$ .

Conversely, suppose  $\mathscr{F}$  is a filter on X such that every derived net  $\lambda$  of  $\mathscr{F}$  has  $x_0$  as an I-cluster point. Then for each nbd U of  $x_0$ , { $\lambda(c) \in X : \lambda(c) \in U$ }  $\notin I \cdots (**)$ .

We have to show that  $x_0$  is an *I*-cluster point of  $\mathscr{F}$ . For this, let *U* be a nbd of  $x_0$ . We claim that  $U \notin I$ . Suppose the contrary  $U \in I$ . From the given condition (\*\*),  $\lambda(c) \in U \Rightarrow {\lambda(c)} \notin I$ . Since  $\mathscr{F}$  is a derived filter,  $\lambda(c) \in F_c$ , where  $F_c \in \mathscr{F}$ . Thus  $\lambda(c) \in U \cap F_c \Rightarrow {\lambda(c)} \subset U \cap F_c$ . Now,  $U \cap F_c \subset U$ ,  $U \in I$  and *I* is an ideal implies that  $U \cap F_c \in I$  and so  ${\lambda(c)} \in I$ , a contradiction. Thus our supposition is wrong. Hence  $U \notin I$ . This proves that  $x_0$  is an *I*-cluster point of  $\mathscr{F}$ .

**Theorem 13.** Let  $\lambda : \mathcal{D} \to X$  be a net in X and  $\mathscr{F}$  be the derived filter of  $\lambda$ . Then  $x_0$  is an I-cluster point of  $\lambda$  if and only if the derived filter  $\mathscr{F}$  of  $\lambda$  has  $x_0$  as an I-cluster point, where  $I = I(\mathscr{F})$ .

**Proof.** Suppose  $x_0$  is an *I*-cluster point of a net  $\lambda : \mathscr{D} \to X$ . Then for each nbd *U* of  $x_0$ ,  $\{\lambda(c) \in X : \lambda(c) \in U\} \notin I \cdots (*)$ .

Let  $\mathscr{F}$  be the derived filter of  $\lambda$ . Then  $\mathscr{F} = \{F \subset X : \text{ some tail of } \lambda \text{ is contained in } F\}$ . We have to show that  $x_0$  is an *I*-cluster point of  $\mathscr{F}$ . For this, let *U* be a nbd of  $x_0$ . We claim that  $U \notin I$ . Suppose the contrary  $U \in I$ . Then  $X \setminus U \in \mathscr{F}$ . Since  $\mathscr{F}$  is a derived filter, there exists  $d \in \mathscr{D}$  such that  $\Lambda_d \subset X \setminus U$ , where  $\Lambda_d = \{\lambda(c) : c \geq d \text{ in } \mathscr{D}\}$  is the tail of  $\lambda$ . This means that  $U \cap \Lambda_d = \emptyset$ . Since  $\Lambda_d = \{\lambda(c) : c \geq d \text{ in } \mathscr{D}\}$ , ther is some t < d in  $\mathscr{D}$  such that  $\lambda(t) \in U$  but  $\lambda(t) \notin \Lambda_d$ . Now  $\lambda(t) \in U \Rightarrow \{\lambda(t)\} \subset U$ . Also,  $U \in I$  and I is an ideal implies that  $\{\lambda(t)\} \in I$ , which contradicts (\*). Therefore,  $x_0$  is an *I*-cluster point of  $\mathscr{F}$ .

Conversely, suppose  $\lambda : \mathscr{D} \to X$  is a net in X and  $\mathscr{F}$  be the derived filter of  $\lambda$  such that  $\mathscr{F}$  has  $x_0$  as an *I*-cluster point. Then for each nbd U of  $x_0$ ,  $\{V \in \mathscr{P}(X) : U \cap V \neq \emptyset\} \nsubseteq I \cdots (**)$ .

We have to show that  $x_0$  is an *I*-cluster point of  $\lambda$ . For this, let *U* be a nbd of  $x_0$ . We claim that  $\{\lambda(c) \in X : \lambda(c) \in U\} \notin I$ . So let  $\lambda(c) \in X$  such that  $\lambda(c) \in U$ . Now  $\lambda(c) \in U \Rightarrow \{\lambda(c)\} \subset U$ . Therefore,  $\{\lambda(c)\} \cap U \neq \emptyset$  and so by  $(**), \{\lambda(c)\} \notin I$ . Therefore,  $x_0$  is an *I*-cluster point of  $\lambda$ .

### **Competing interests**

The authors declare that they have no competing interests.



# Authors' contributions

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