

# Method of construction of topologies on any finite set

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**Abstract.** Let a topology  $\tau$  be defined on a finite set. We give the definition of quasiatoms in the lattice  $(\tau, \subseteq)$  and study their properties. For any splitting of a finite set  $X$  into  $k$  subsets we give a method of constructing any topology on the set  $X$  for which this splitting is the set of all quasiatoms and the weight of this topological space is equal to  $k$ .

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## 1 Introduction

In this article we study the properties of topologies which are defined on a finite set. This article is a continuation of the articles [1] and [2]. For any topology which is defined on a finite set we give the definition of quasiatoms in the lattice of all open sets in this topology<sup>1</sup> and we study their properties (see Theorem 1).

Moreover, for any splitting of a finite set  $X$  into  $k$  subsets we give a method of constructing any topology on  $X$  for which this splitting is the set of all quasiatoms and the weight of this topological space is equal to  $k$  (see Theorem 3).

## 2 Quasiatoms and their properties

1. Construction of quasiatoms.

Let  $\tau$  be a topology on a finite set  $X$ . We construct by induction:

- The sequences  $X_1(\tau), \dots, X_t(\tau)$  and  $X'_1(\tau), \dots, X'_t(\tau)$  of subsets of the set  $X$ ;
- The sequence of natural numbers  $s_1, \dots, s_t$ ;
- The sequence  $\tilde{X}_1(\tau), \dots, \tilde{X}_t(\tau)$ , where  $\tilde{X}_i(\tau)$  is a subset of the set  $X$  for any  $1 \leq i \leq t$ ;
- The set  $\tilde{X}(\tau)$  of subsets of the set  $X$  as follows:

**1.1.** We take:

$$X_1(\tau) = X;$$

The set  $\tilde{X}_1(\tau)$  is equal to the set of all atoms in the lattice  $(\tau, \subseteq)$ ;

$$X'_1(\tau) = \bigcup_{U \in \tilde{X}_1(\tau)} U.$$

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<sup>1</sup>It is known that  $(\tau, \subseteq)$  is a lattice for any topology  $\tau$ . Necessary concepts from lattice theory can be found in [3] and [4].

**1.2.** Suppose that for natural number  $t$  have already been defined:

- The sequences  $X_1(\tau), \dots, X_t(\tau)$  and  $X'_1(\tau), \dots, X'_t(\tau)$  of the subsets  $X_i(\tau)$  and  $X'_i(\tau)$  of the set  $X$ ;
- The sequence of natural numbers  $s_1, \dots, s_t$ ;
- The sequence  $\tilde{X}_1(\tau), \dots, \tilde{X}_t(\tau)$ , where  $\tilde{X}_i(\tau)$  is some subset of the set  $X$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq t$ .

**1.3.** We take:

$$X_{t+1}(\tau) = X \setminus \bigcup_{j=1}^t X'_j(\tau) \quad \text{and} \quad \tau_{t+1} = \tau|_{X_{t+1}(\tau)} = \{U \cap X_{t+1}(\tau) \mid U \in \tau\}.$$

Let's consider the set  $\tilde{X}_{t+1}(\tau)$  of all atoms in the lattice  $(\tau_{t+1}, \subseteq)$  and also we take  $X'_{t+1}(\tau) = \bigcup_{U \in \tilde{X}_{t+1}(\tau)} U$ .

**1.4.** As  $X_{i+1}(\tau) \subset X_i(\tau)$  for any  $i$ , then from the finiteness of the set  $X$  it follows that there exists such natural number  $k$  that  $X_{k+1} = \emptyset$ . Then we take

$$\tilde{X}(\tau) = \bigcup_{i=1}^k \tilde{X}_i(\tau).$$

*Remark 1.* It is easy to notice that  $X'_i(\tau) \subseteq X_i(\tau)$  for any  $1 \leq i \leq k$ .

**Definition 1.** If  $\tau$  is a topology on a finite set  $X$ , then any nonempty subset  $U \in \tilde{X}_i(\tau)$  of the set  $X$  is called an atom of the level  $i$  in the lattice  $(\tau, \subseteq)$ .

Every atom of some level is called a quasiatom if there is no necessity to specify its level.

**Theorem 1.** (Necessary designations see above in the construction of quasiatoms.)  
Let:

$$\begin{aligned} &\tau \text{ be a topology on a finite set } X; \\ &U \in \tilde{X}(\tau) \text{ and } V(U) = \bigcap_{W \in \tau, U \subseteq W} W; \\ &S_i(U, \tau) = V(U) \cap X'_i(\tau) \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq k. \end{aligned}$$

Then the following statements are true:

**Statement 1.** The set  $\{U \mid U \in \tilde{X}(\tau)\}$  is a splitting of the set  $X$ .

**Statement 2.** The set  $\{X'_1(\tau), \dots, X'_k(\tau)\}$  is a splitting of the set  $X$ .

**Statement 3.** The set  $\{\tilde{X}_i(\tau) \mid 1 \leq i \leq k\}$  is a splitting of the set  $\tilde{X}(\tau)$ .

**Statement 4.** If  $U \in \tilde{X}(\tau)$  and  $i(U)$  is a natural number such that  $U \in \tilde{X}_{i(U)}(\tau)$  (the existence and uniqueness of the number  $i(U)$  follow from the fact that  $\{\tilde{X}_i(\tau) \mid 1 \leq i \leq k\}$  is a splitting of the set  $\tilde{X}(\tau)$  (see Statement 3)) then:

$$\begin{aligned} &U = S_t(U, \tau) \text{ for } t = i(U); \\ &S_t(U, \tau) \neq \emptyset \text{ for } 1 \leq t < i(U); \\ &S_t(U, \tau) = \emptyset \text{ for } i(U) < t \leq k. \end{aligned}$$

**Statement 5.** If  $U, U' \in \tilde{X}(\tau)$  and  $U' \cap S_t(U, \tau) \neq \emptyset$  for some  $1 < t \leq k$ , then  $S_q(U', \tau) \subseteq S_q(U, \tau)$  for any  $1 \leq q \leq i(U')$ .

**Statement 6.** If  $U \in \tilde{X}(\tau)$ , then  $V(U) = \bigcup_{t=1}^{i(U)} S_t(U, \tau)$ .

**Statement 7.** If  $U \in \tilde{X}(\tau)$ , then  $U = V(U) \cap X'_{i(U)} = V(U) \cap X_{i(U)}$ .

**Statement 8.** The set  $\{V(U) \mid U \in \tilde{X}(\tau)\}$  is the minimal base of the topological space  $(X, \tau)$  and the cardinal of the set  $\tilde{X}(\tau)$  is equal to the weight of the topological space  $(X, \tau)$ .

*Proof.* **Statement 1.** Let  $x \in X$  and  $m = \max\{i \mid x \in X_i(\tau)\}$ . Then  $x \notin X_{m+1}(\tau) = X \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^m X'_i(\tau)$  and  $x \in X_m(\tau) = X \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^{m-1} X'_i(\tau)$ , and hence,  $x \in X'_m(\tau)$ . As  $X'_m = \bigcup_{U \in \tilde{X}_m} U$ , then  $x \in U$  for some  $U \in \tilde{X}_m(\tau) \subseteq \tilde{X}(\tau)$ .

From the randomness of the element  $x \in X$  it follows that  $X = \bigcup_{U \in \tilde{X}(\tau)} U$ .

Let now  $U_1, U_2 \in \tilde{X}(\tau)$  and  $U_1 \neq U_2$ . Then there are natural numbers  $1 \leq i, j \leq k$  such that  $U_1 \in \tilde{X}_i(\tau)$  and  $U_2 \in \tilde{X}_j(\tau)$ .

If  $i \neq j$  and  $i < j$  (see 1.3 and Remark 1), then  $U_2 \subseteq X'_j(\tau) \subseteq X_j \subseteq X \setminus \bigcup_{l < j} X'_l(\tau)$  and  $U_1 \subseteq X'_i(\tau)$ , and hence,

$$U_1 \cap U_2 \subseteq X'_i(\tau) \cap \left( X \setminus \bigcap_{l < j} X'_l(\tau) \right) = \emptyset,$$

i.e. in this case  $U_1 \cap U_2 = \emptyset$ .

For the case when  $j < i$  the equation  $U_1 \cap U_2 = \emptyset$  is proved analogously.

Let now  $i = j$ . Then  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  are atoms in a lattice  $(\tau_i, \subseteq)$ . As  $U_1 \cap U_2 \in \tau_i$  and  $U_1 \cap U_2 \subset U_1$ , then  $U_1 \cap U_2 = \emptyset$  in this case, too.

Statement 1 is proved.

**Statement 2.** We prove this statement by induction on the number  $k$ .

If  $k = 1$ , then  $X_2(\tau) = \emptyset$ , and hence, the set  $X$  is the union of all atoms of the lattice  $(\tau, \subseteq)$ , i.e.  $X = \bigcup_{U \in \tilde{X}_1(\tau)} U = X'_1(\tau)$ . Then  $\{X'_1(\tau)\}$  is a splitting of

the set  $X$ .

Let now for  $k = t$  and for any finite topological space Statement 2 be proved and let  $k = t + 1$ .

As the set of all atoms of the level  $i - 1$  in the lattice  $(\tau|_{X_2(\tau)}, \subseteq)$  of topological space

$$(X_2(\tau), \tau|_{X_2(\tau)}) = (X \setminus X'_1(\tau), \tau|_{X \setminus X'_1(\tau)})$$

coincides with the set of all atoms of a level  $i$  in the lattice  $(\tau, \subseteq)$  of topological space  $(X, \tau)$  for any  $2 \leq i \leq t+1$ , then by the inductive assumption,

$$\{X'_2(\tau), \dots, X'_{t+1}(\tau)\} = \{X'_1(\tau|_{X \setminus X'_1(\tau)}), \dots, X'_t(\tau|_{X \setminus X'_1(\tau)})\}$$

is a splitting of the set  $X \setminus X'_1(\tau)$ . Then  $\{X'_1(\tau), X'_2(\tau), \dots, X'_{t+1}(\tau)\}$  will be a splitting of the set  $X$ .

Statement 2 is proved.

**Statement 3.** As, according to 1.4,  $\tilde{X}(\tau) = \bigcup_{i=1}^k \tilde{X}_i(\tau)$ , then it should be checked

up that  $\tilde{X}_i \cap \tilde{X}_j = \emptyset$  for  $i \neq j$ .

We assume the contrary, i.e. that  $\tilde{X}_i(\tau) \cap \tilde{X}_j(\tau) \neq \emptyset$  for some numbers  $i \neq j$ .

We can assume that  $i < j$ . Then  $U \subseteq X'_i(\tau)$  and

$$U \subseteq X'_j(\tau) = X \setminus \left( \bigcup_{l=1}^{j-1} X'_l(\tau) \right) \subseteq X \setminus X'_i(\tau).$$

We have received the contradiction, hence  $\tilde{X}_i(\tau) \cap \tilde{X}_j(\tau) = \emptyset$ .

Statement 3 is proved.

**Statement 4.** Let  $U \in \tilde{X}(\tau)$ . Then (see the definition of the number  $i(U)$ )  $U \in \tilde{X}_{i(U)}(\tau)$ , and hence,  $U \subseteq X'_{i(U)}(\tau)$ . As  $U$  is an atom of the level  $i(U)$  then there exists such  $V_0 \in \tau$  that  $U = V_0 \cap X_{i(U)}(\tau)$ , and as (see Remark 2)  $X'_{i(U)}(\tau) \subseteq X_{i(U)}(\tau)$ , then  $U \subseteq X'_{i(U)}(\tau) \cap V_0 \subseteq X_{i(U)}(\tau) \cap V_0 = U$ , and hence,  $U = V_0 \cap X'_{i(U)}(\tau)$ .

If  $t = i(U)$ , then  $U \in \tilde{X}_t(\tau)$ , and hence,  $U \subseteq X'_t(\tau)$ . As  $U \subseteq \bigcap_{W \in \tau, U \subseteq W} W = V(U)$  then  $U \subseteq V(U) \cap X'_t(\tau) = S_t(U, \tau)$ .

If now  $x \in S_t(U, \tau) = V(U) \cap X'_t(\tau)$  then  $x \in X'_t(\tau) = \bigcup_{W \in \tilde{X}_t(\tau)} W$ , and hence,

$x \in W_0$  for some  $W_0 \in \tilde{X}_t(\tau)$  and  $x \in V(U)$ . As  $\emptyset \neq W_0 \cap V(U) \in \tau|_{X_t(\tau)}$  and  $W_0$  is an atom in the lattice  $(\tau|_{X_t(\tau)}, \subseteq)$ , then  $W_0 \subseteq X'_t(\tau)$  and  $W_0 \subseteq V(U)$ . Then

$$x \in W_0 \subseteq V(U) \cap X'_t(\tau) = \left( \bigcap_{W \in \tau, U \subseteq W} W \right) \cap X'_t(\tau) \subseteq V_0 \cap X'_t(\tau) = U.$$

From the randomness of the element  $x$  it follows that  $S_t(U, \tau) = V(U) \cap X'_t(\tau) \subseteq U$ , and hence,  $S_t(U, \tau) = V(U) \cap X'_t(\tau) = U$ .

We prove Statement 4 for the case when  $t = i(U)$ .

Let now  $1 \leq t < i(U) \leq k$ . As (see 1.3)  $X_{i(U)}(\tau) \subseteq X_t(\tau)$ , then  $U \subseteq X_{i(U)}(\tau) \cap V(U) \subseteq V(U) \cap X_t(\tau) \in \tau_t$  (the definition of  $\tau_t$  see in 1.3). From the finiteness of the set  $\tau_t$  it follows that there exists an atom  $W$  in the lattice  $(\tau_t, \subseteq)$  such that  $W \subseteq V(U) \cap X_t(\tau)$ . Then  $W \in \tilde{X}_t$ , and hence,  $\emptyset \neq W \subseteq X'_t(\tau) \cap V(U) = S_t(U, \tau)$ .

We have proved Statement 4 for the case when  $t < i(U)$ .

Let now  $i(U) < t \leq k$ . Then (see the construction of the sets  $X_j(\tau)$  in 1.3)

$$X_t(\tau) = X \setminus \bigcup_{l=1}^{t-1} X'_l(\tau) \subseteq X \setminus X'_{i(U)}(\tau),$$

and hence,

$$\begin{aligned} S_t(U, \tau) &= V(U) \cap X'_t(\tau) \subseteq V_0 \cap X'_t \subseteq V_0 \cap \left( X_{i(U)}(\tau) \cap X'_t \right) = \\ &= \left( V_0 \cap X_{i(U)}(\tau) \right) \cap X'_t = U \cap X'_t(\tau) \subseteq X'_{i(U)}(\tau) \cap X'_t(\tau) = \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

(the definition of the set  $V_0$  see above), i.e.  $S_t(U, \tau) = \emptyset$ .

Statement 4 is proved.

**Statement 5.** Let  $U, U' \in \tilde{X}(\tau)$  and  $U' \cap S_t(U, \tau) \neq \emptyset$  for some  $1 < t \leq k$ .

If  $x \in U' \cap S_t(U, \tau)$  then  $x \in U' = S_{i(U')}(\tau) \subseteq X'_{i(U')}(\tau)$  and  $x \in S_t(U, \tau) \subseteq X'_t(\tau)$ . As (see Statement 2)  $X'_i(\tau) \cap X'_j(\tau) = \emptyset$  for  $i \neq j$  then  $t = i(U')$ .

From the definition of the number  $i(U')$  (see Statement 4) it follows that  $U'$  is an atom in the lattice  $(\tau_{i(U')}, \subseteq)$ . As  $V(U) \cap X_{i(U')}(\tau) \in \tau_{i(U')}$  and

$$U' \cap \left( V(U) \cap X_{i(U')}(\tau) \right) = U' \cap \left( S_{i(U')}(\tau) \cap V(U) \right) \neq \emptyset$$

then  $U' \cap S_{i(U')}(\tau) = U'$ , and hence,  $U' \subseteq S_{i(U')}(\tau) \subseteq V(U)$ . Then  $V(U') = \bigcap_{W \in \tau, U' \subseteq W} W \subseteq V(U)$ , and hence,

$$S_q(U', \tau) = X'_q(\tau) \cap V(U') \subseteq X'_q(\tau) \cap V(U) = S_q(U, \tau)$$

for any  $q \leq i(U')$ .

Statement 5 is proved.

**Statement 6.** Let  $U \in \tilde{X}(\tau)$ .

From the definition of the sets  $S_t(U, \tau)$  (see the formulation of this theorem) it follows that

$$\bigcup_{t=1}^{i(U)} S_t(U, \tau) = \bigcup_{t=1}^{i(U)} \left( V(U) \cap X'_t(U, \tau) \right) \subseteq V(U).$$

Let now  $z \in V(U)$ . As (see Statement 2)  $\{X'_1(\tau), \dots, X'_k(\tau)\}$  is a splitting of the set  $X$  then  $z \in X'_q(\tau)$  for some  $1 \leq q \leq k$ , and hence,  $z \in V(U) \cap X'_q(\tau) = S_q(U, \tau)$ .

Then (see Statement 4)  $q \leq i(U)$ , and hence,  $z \in \bigcup_{t=1}^{i(U)} S_t(U, \tau)$ .

From the randomness of the element  $z \in V(U)$  it follows that  $V(U) \subseteq \bigcup_{t=1}^{i(U)} S_t(U, \tau)$ , and hence,  $V(U) = \bigcup_{t=1}^{i(U)} S_t(U, \tau)$ .

Statement 6 is proved.

**Statement 7.** If we apply successively Remark 2, Statement 6, Remark 2, and Statement 4 then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
U &\subseteq V(U) \cap X'_{i(U)}(\tau) \subseteq V(U) \cap X_{i(U)}(\tau) = \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^{i(U)} S_i(U, \tau) \right) \cap X_{i(U)}(\tau) \subseteq \\
&\left( \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^{i(U)-1} X'_i(\tau) \right) \cup S_{i(U)}(U, \tau) \right) \cap X_{i(U)}(\tau) = \\
&\left( \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^{i(U)-1} X'_i(\tau) \right) \cap X_{i(U)}(\tau) \right) \cup \left( S_{i(U)}(U, \tau) \cap X_{i(U)}(\tau) \right) = \\
&S_{i(U)}(U, \tau) \cap X_{i(U)}(\tau) = S_{i(U)}(U, \tau) = U,
\end{aligned}$$

and hence,  $U = V(U) \cap X'_{i(U)}(\tau) = V(U) \cap X_{i(U)}(\tau)$ .

Statement 7 is proved.

**Statement 8.** In the beginning we shall show that the set  $\{V(U) \mid U \in \tilde{X}(\tau)\}$  is a base of the topological space  $(X, \tau)$ .

Let  $W \in \tau$  and  $x \in W$ . Then (see Statement 1)  $x \in U_x$  for some  $U_x \in \tilde{X}(\tau)$ . As (see Statement 4)  $U_x \in \tilde{X}_{i(U_x)}(\tau)$  then  $U_x$  is an atom in the lattice  $(\tau_{i(U_x)}, \subseteq)$  and  $x \in W \cap U_x \in \tau_{i(U_x)}$ . Then  $W \cap U_x = U_x$ , and hence,  $U_x \subseteq W$ . From the definition of the set  $V(U)$  for  $U \in \tilde{X}$  it follows that  $V(U_x) \subseteq W$ . Then  $W = \bigcup_{x \in W} \{x\} \subseteq \bigcup_{x \in W} V(U_x) \subseteq W$ , and hence,  $W = \bigcup_{x \in W} V(U_x)$ .

From the randomness of the set  $W \in \tau$  it follows that the set  $\{V(U) \mid U \in \tilde{X}(\tau)\}$  is a base of the topological space  $(X, \tau)$ .

Now let's show that the set  $\{V(U) \mid U \in \tilde{X}(\tau)\}$  is the minimal base of the topological space  $(X, \tau)$ .

Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be the minimal base of the topological space  $(X, \tau)$ .

If  $U_0 \in \tilde{X}(\tau)$  and  $x \in U_0$  then there exists  $W_0 \in \mathcal{B}$  such that  $x \in W_0 \subseteq V(U_0)$ . As  $U_0 \in \tilde{X}_{i(U_0)}(\tau)$  and  $x \in U_0 \cap W_0$  then

$$\emptyset \neq U_0 \cap W_0 = U_0 \cap (W_0 \cap X_{i(U_0)}(\tau)) \in \tau_{i(U_0)},$$

and as  $U_0$  is an atom in the lattice  $(\tau_{i(U_0)}, \subseteq)$  then  $U_0 \subseteq W_0$ .

Then  $V(U_0) = \bigcap_{W \in \tau, U_0 \subseteq W} W \subseteq W_0 \subseteq V(U_0)$ , and hence,  $V(U_0) = W_0 \in \mathcal{B}$ .

From the randomness  $U_0 \in \tilde{X}(\tau)$  it follows that  $\{V(U) \mid U \in \tilde{X}(\tau)\} \subseteq \mathcal{B}$ , and as  $\mathcal{B}$  is the minimal base of the topological space  $(X, \tau)$  then  $\{V(U) \mid U \in \tilde{X}(\tau)\} = \mathcal{B}$ , and hence,  $\{V(U) \mid U \in \tilde{X}(\tau)\}$  is the minimal base of the topological space  $(X, \tau)$ .

To complete the proof of this statement it remains to check up that  $V(U) \neq V(U')$  for any  $U, U' \in \tilde{X}(\tau)$  such that  $U \neq U'$ .

We suppose the contrary, i.e. that  $V(U) = V(U')$  for some  $U, U' \in \tilde{X}(\tau)$  and  $U \neq U'$ .

We can assume that  $i(U) \leq i(U')$ .

If  $i(U) = i(U')$  then (see Statement 7)  $U = V(U) \cap X_{i(U)}(\tau) = V(U') \cap X_{i(U')}(\tau) = U'$ . We have received the contradiction, and hence,  $V(U) \neq V(U')$  for the case when  $i(U) = i(U')$ .

If  $i(U) < i(U')$  (see 1.3) then  $X_{i(U)}(\tau) \supset X_{i(U')}(\tau)$ . Then (see Statement 7 and Remark 2)

$$X'_{i(U)}(\tau) \supseteq U = V(U) \cap X_{i(U)}(\tau) \supseteq V(U') \cap X_{i(U')}(\tau) = U'$$

and  $U' \subseteq X'_{i(U')}(\tau)$ , and hence,  $X'_{i(U)}(\tau) \cap X'_{i(U')}(\tau) \neq \emptyset$ .

We have received the contradiction with the statement 2, and hence,  $V(U) \neq V(U')$  and for the case when  $i(U) \neq i(U')$ .

Statement 8 is proved, and hence, the theorem is completely proved.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.** *Let:*

- $\tau$  and  $\tau'$  be topologies on a finite set  $X$ ;
- $\tilde{X}(\tau)$  and  $\tilde{X}(\tau')$  be the sets of all quasiatoms in the lattices  $(\tau, \subseteq)$  and  $(\tau', \subseteq)$ , accordingly;
- $\tilde{X}_i(\tau)$  and  $\tilde{X}_i(\tau')$  be the sets of all atoms of a level  $i$  in the lattices  $(\tau, \subseteq)$  and  $(\tau', \subseteq)$ , accordingly, for  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ ;
- $k = \max\{i \mid \tilde{X}'_i(\tau) \neq \emptyset\}$  and  $k' = \max\{i \mid \tilde{X}'_i(\tau') \neq \emptyset\}$ ;
- $X'_i(\tau) = \bigcup_{U \in \tilde{X}_i(\tau)} U$  and  $X'_i(\tau') = \bigcup_{U' \in \tilde{X}_i(\tau')} U'$  for  $1 \leq i \leq k$ ;
- $S_i(U, \tau) = \left( \bigcap_{W \in \tau, U \subseteq W} W \right) \cap X'_i(\tau)$  for any  $U \in \tilde{X}(\tau)$  and any  $1 \leq i \leq k$  and
- $S_i(U', \tau') = \left( \bigcap_{W' \in \tau', U' \subseteq W'} W' \right) \cap X'_i(\tau')$  for any  $U' \in \tilde{X}(\tau')$  and any  $1 \leq i \leq k'$ ;
- $i(U)$  and  $i'(U')$  be such natural numbers that  $U \in \tilde{X}'_{i(U)}(\tau)$  and  $U' \in \tilde{X}'_{i'(U')}(\tau')$  for  $U \in \tilde{X}(\tau)$  and  $U' \in \tilde{X}(\tau')$ .

Then  $\tau = \tau'$  if and only if the following equalities are true:

1.  $k = k'$  and  $\tilde{X}_i(\tau) = \tilde{X}_i(\tau')$  for any  $1 \leq i \leq k$ ;
2.  $X'_i(\tau) = X'_i(\tau')$  for any  $1 \leq i \leq k$ ;
3.  $\tilde{X}(\tau) = \tilde{X}(\tau')$ ;
4.  $i(U) = i'(U)$  for any  $U \in \tilde{X}(\tau) = \tilde{X}(\tau')$ ;
5.  $S_i(U, \tau) = S_i(U, \tau')$  for any  $U \in \tilde{X}(\tau)$  and any  $1 \leq i \leq i(U)$ .

*Proof. Necessity.* Let  $\tau = \tau'$ .

From the construction of atoms of a level  $i$  (see 1.4) it follows that  $\tilde{X}_i(\tau) = \tilde{X}_i(\tau')$  for any  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Then  $k = k'$  and  $X'_i(\tau) = X'_i(\tau')$  for any  $1 \leq i \leq k$ .

Moreover,  $\tilde{X}(\tau) = \bigcup_{i=1}^k \tilde{X}_i(\tau) = \bigcup_{i=1}^{k'} \tilde{X}_i(\tau') = \tilde{X}(\tau')$  and  $i(U) = i'(U)$  for any  $U \in \tilde{X}$ .

As  $\bigcap_{W \in \tau, U \subseteq W} W = \bigcap_{W \in \tau', U \subseteq W} W$  for any  $U \in \tilde{X}$  then

$$S_i(U, \tau) = \left( \bigcap_{W \in \tau, U \subseteq W} W \right) \cap X'_i(\tau) = \left( \bigcap_{W \in \tau', U \subseteq W} W \right) \cap X'_i(\tau') = S_i(U, \tau'),$$

for any  $U \in \tilde{X}$  and any  $1 \leq i \leq i(U)$ .

Necessity is proved.

**Sufficiency.** Let topologies  $\tau$  and  $\tau'$  be defined on a finite set  $X$  and let equalities 1 – 5 be true.

If  $V(U) = \bigcap_{W \in \tau, U \subseteq W} W$  and  $V'(U) = \bigcap_{W \in \tau', U \subseteq W} W$ , then (see Statement 8 of Theorem 1)  $\{V(U) \mid U \in \tilde{X}(\tau)\}$  and  $\{V'(U) \mid U \in \tilde{X}(\tau')\}$  are bases in topological spaces  $(X, \tau)$  and  $(X, \tau')$ , accordingly.

Then (see Statement 6 of Theorem 1)

$$V(U) = \bigcup_{t=1}^{i(U)} S_t(U, \tau) = \bigcup_{t=1}^{i(U)} S_t(U, \tau') = V'(U),$$

and hence,  $\{V(U) \mid U \in \tilde{X}(\tau)\} = \{V'(U) \mid U \in \tilde{X}(\tau')\}$ .

As any topology is defined unique by any its base then  $\tau = \tau'$ .

The theorem is completely proved.  $\square$

## 2. A method of the construction of topology on any finite set

**Theorem 3.** *Let us have:*

1. A finite set  $X$  which has the cardinality  $n$ ;
2. A natural number  $k$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq n$ ;
3. A splitting  $\tilde{X} = \{U_1, \dots, U_k\}$  of the set  $X$ ;
4. A splitting  $\{\tilde{X}_1, \dots, \tilde{X}_t\}$  of the set  $\tilde{X}$  and let  $X'_j = \bigcup_{U \in \tilde{X}_j} U$  for any  $1 \leq j \leq t$ ;
5. For every  $U \in \tilde{X}$  we shall designate by  $i(U)$  such a natural number that  $U \in \tilde{X}_{i(U)}$  (as  $\{\tilde{X}_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq t\}$  is a splitting of the set  $\tilde{X}$  then the number  $i(U)$  exists and is unique);
6. For any  $U \in \tilde{X}$  and any  $1 \leq j \leq i(U)$  there exists such a nonempty subset  $S_j(U) \subseteq X'_j$  that:
  - $S_{i(U)}(U) = U$  for any  $U \in \tilde{X}$ ;
  - If  $U, U' \in \tilde{X}$  and  $S_i(U) \cap U' \neq \emptyset$  for some  $i \leq i(U)$ , then  $S_l(U') \subseteq S_l(U)$  for any  $1 \leq l \leq i(U')$ .

Then the following statements are true:

**Statement 3.1.**  $\{X'_j \mid 1 \leq j \leq t\}$  is a splitting of the set  $X$ .

**Statement 3.2.** There exists the unique topology  $\tau$  on the set  $X$  such that the following statements are true:



$$3.2.1. \bigcup_{j=1}^{i(U)} S_j(U) = \bigcap_{W \in \tau, U \subseteq W} W;$$

3.2.2. The weight of the topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is equal to  $k$ ;

3.2.3.  $\tilde{X}_i = \tilde{X}_i(\tau)$  and  $X'_i = X'_i(\tau)$  for any  $1 \leq i \leq t$ , and hence,

$$\tilde{X} = \bigcup_{i=1}^t \tilde{X}_i = \bigcup_{i=1}^t \tilde{X}_i(\tau) = \tilde{X}(\tau)$$

(the definition of the set  $\tilde{X}(\tau)$ , the set  $\tilde{X}_i(\tau)$ , and the set  $X'_i(\tau)$  see in 1.3);

3.2.4.  $S_i(U, \tau) = S_i(U)$  for any  $U \in \tilde{X}$  and any  $1 \leq i \leq i(U)$  (the definition of the set  $S_i(U, \tau)$  see in Theorem 1).

*Proof. Statement 3.1.* If  $x \in X$  then there exists  $U \in \tilde{X}$  such that  $x \in U$  (see the condition 3 of this theorem). Then (see the condition 6 of this theorem)  $x \in U = S_{i(U)}(U) \subseteq X'_{i(U)}$ .

From the randomness of the element  $x \in X$  it follows that  $X = \bigcup_{i=1}^t X'_i$ .

To complete the proof of this statement we need to check up that  $X'_i \cap X'_j = \emptyset$  for  $i \neq j$ .

We assume the contrary, i.e. that  $X'_i \cap X'_j \neq \emptyset$  for some  $i \neq j$ , and let  $z \in X'_i \cap X'_j$ . Then (see the condition 4 of this theorem) there are  $U \in \tilde{X}_i \subseteq \tilde{X}$  and  $U' \in \tilde{X}_j \subseteq \tilde{X}_j(\tau)$  such that  $z \in U$  and  $z \in U'$ .

As  $\tilde{X}_1, \dots, \tilde{X}_t$  is a splitting of the set  $\tilde{X}$  and  $i \neq j$  then  $U \neq U'$ , and as  $z \in U \cap U'$  then we receive the contradiction with the condition 3 of this theorem.

Statement 3.1 is proved.

**Statement 3.2.** For any  $U \in \tilde{X}$  we consider the set  $W(U) = \bigcup_{i=1}^{i(U)} S_i(U)$ , and let

$$\mathbf{B} = \{W(U) \mid U \in \tilde{X}\}.$$

We designate by  $\tau$  the set of all subsets of the set  $X$  each of which can be presented as a union of some sets from  $\mathbf{B}$ .

We show that  $\tau$  is the required topology on the set  $X$ .

As  $\emptyset = \bigcup_{U \in \emptyset} U$  then  $\emptyset \in \tau$ .

Let now  $x \in X$ . Then (see the condition 3)  $x \in U$  for some  $U \in \tilde{X}$ , and hence,  $x \in U = S_{i(U)}(U) \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^{i(U)} S_i(U) = W(U)$ .

From the randomness of the element  $x \in X$  it follows that  $\bigcup_{U \in \tilde{X}} W(U) = X$ , and hence,  $X \in \tau$ .

Let now  $A, C \in \tau$  and  $x \in A \cap C$ .

As  $\tilde{X}$  is a splitting of the set  $X$  then there exists  $U_x \in \tilde{X}$  such that  $x \in U_x = S_{i(U_x)}(U_x)$ .

From the definition of the set  $\tau$  it follows that there are  $U \in \tilde{X}$  and  $U' \in \tilde{X}$  such that  $x \in W(U) \subseteq A$  and  $x \in W(U') \subseteq C$ .

As  $W(U) = \bigcup_{i=1}^{i(U)} S_i(U)$ , then  $x \in S_{i_1}(U)$  for some  $1 \leq i_1 \leq i(U)$ .

So, we have that  $U, U_x \in \tilde{X}$  and  $x \in S_{i_1}(U) \cap U_x$ .

As  $x \in U_x = S_{i(U_x)} \subseteq X'_{i(U_x)}$  and  $x \in S_{i_1}(U) \subseteq X'_{i_1}$  then (see Statement 3.1)  $i(U_x) = i_1 \leq i(U)$ . Then (see the condition 6)  $S_l(U_x) \subseteq S_l(U)$  for any  $1 \leq l \leq i(U_x)$ , and hence,

$$W(U_x) = \bigcup_{l=1}^{i(U_x)} S_l(U_x) \subseteq \bigcup_{l=1}^{i(U_x)} S_l(U) \subseteq \bigcup_{l=1}^{i(U)} S_l(U) = W(U) \subseteq A.$$

Similarly, it is proved that  $W(U_x) \subseteq W(U') \subseteq C$ .

Then  $W(U_x) \subseteq A \cap C$  for any element  $x \in A \cap C$ , and hence,

$$A \cap C = \bigcup_{x \in A \cap C} \{x\} \subseteq \bigcup_{x \in A \cap C} W(U_x) \subseteq A \cap C,$$

i.e.  $A \cap B = \bigcup_{x \in A \cap C} W(U_x)$ . From the definition of the set  $\tau$  it follows that

$$A \cap C \in \tau.$$

As any union of sets each of which is some union of sets from  $\mathbf{B}$  is a union of sets from  $\mathbf{B}$  then  $\tau$  is a topology on the set  $X$ .

Now let's check up that for the topology  $\tau$  Statements 3.2.1 – 3.2.4 are true.

**3.2.1.** Let  $U \in \tilde{X}$  and let  $W \in \tau$  be such that  $U \subseteq W$ .

Let's choose some element  $x \in U$ . From the definition of the topology  $\tau$  it follows that there exists  $U' \in \tilde{X}$  such that  $x \in W(U') \subseteq W$ . As  $W(U') = \bigcup_{j=1}^{i(U')} S_j(U')$  then  $x \in S_{j_0}(U')$  for some  $j_0 \leq i(U')$ .

Then  $x \in U \cap S_{j_0}(U')$ , and hence, (see the condition 6)  $S_l(U) \subseteq S_l(U')$  for any  $1 \leq l \leq i(U)$ .

As  $x \in U = S_{i(U)}(U) \subseteq X'_{i(U)}$  and  $x \in S_{j_0}(U') \subseteq X'_{j_0}$  then from Statement 3.1 it follows that  $i(U) = j_0 \leq i(U')$ .

$$\text{Then } W(U) = \bigcup_{l=1}^{i(U)} S_l(U) \subseteq \bigcup_{l=1}^{i(U')} S_l(U') = W(U') \subseteq W.$$

From the randomness of the set  $W \in \tau$  it follows that  $W(U) \subseteq \bigcap_{W \in \tau, U \subseteq W} W$ .

Moreover, as  $U = S_{i(U)}(U) \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^{i(U)} S_i(U) = W(U) \in \tau$  then  $\bigcap_{W \in \tau, U \subseteq W} W \subseteq W(U)$ ,

and hence,  $\bigcap_{W \in \tau, U \subseteq W} W = W(U)$ .

Statement 3.2.1 is proved.

**3.2.2.** We notice that from the definition of the topology  $\tau$  it follows that the set  $\mathbf{B}$  is a base of the topological space  $(X, \tau)$ .

Let's show that  $\mathbf{B}$  is the minimal base of the topological space  $(X, \tau)$ .

Let  $\mathbf{B}'$  be the minimal base of the topological space  $(X, \tau)$  and let  $W \in \mathbf{B}$ . Then  $W = W(U) = \bigcup_{t=1}^{i(U)} S_t(U)$  for some  $U \in \tilde{X}$ .

We choose some element  $x \in U$ . Then  $x \in U = S_{i(U)}(U) \subseteq W(U)$ , and as  $W(U) \in \tau$  then there exists  $W' \in \mathbf{B}'$  such that  $x \in W' \subseteq W(U)$ .

As  $W' \in \tau$  then (see the definition of the topology  $\tau$ ) there exists  $U' \in \tilde{X}$  such that  $x \in W(U') = \bigcup_{i=1}^{i(U')} S_i(U') \subseteq W'$ , and hence,  $x \in S_{j_0}(U')$  for some  $1 \leq j_0 \leq i(U')$ .

Then  $x \in U \cap S_{j_0}(U')$ , and according to the condition 6  $S_l(U) \subseteq S_l(U')$  for any  $l \leq i(U)$ .

Moreover, as in the proof of Statement 3.2.1 it can be proved that  $i(U) = j_0 \leq i(U')$ . Then

$$W(U) = \bigcup_{j=1}^{i(U)} S_j(U) \subseteq \bigcup_{j=1}^{i(U)} S_j(U') \subseteq \bigcup_{j=1}^{i(U')} S_j(U') = W(U') \subseteq W' \subseteq W(U),$$

i.e.  $W(U) = W' \in \mathbf{B}'$ . From the randomness of  $U \in \tilde{X}$  it follows that  $\mathbf{B} \subseteq \mathbf{B}'$ .

Then from the minimality of the base  $\mathbf{B}'$  it follows that  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B}'$ .

To complete the proof of Statement 3.2.2 it remains to prove that  $W(U) \neq W(U')$  for any  $U, U' \in \tilde{X}$  and  $U \neq U'$

We can assume that  $i(U) \leq i(U')$ .

If  $i(U) < i(U')$  (see the definition of the set  $W(U)$ , the property 6, and Statement 3.2.1) then

$$W(U) \cap X'_{i(U')} = \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^{i(U)} S_i(U) \right) \cap X'_{i(U')} \subseteq \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^{i(U)} X'_i \right) \cap X'_{i(U')} = \emptyset \neq$$

$$S_{i(U')} (U') = \left( \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^{i(U')-1} S_i(U) \right) \cap X'_{i(U')} \right) \cup \left( S_{i(U')} \cap X'_{i(U')} \right) =$$

$$\left( \bigcup_{i=1}^{i(U')} S_i(U') \right) \cap X'_{i(U')} = W(U') \cap X'_{i(U')},$$

and hence,  $W(U) \neq W(U')$  for the case  $i(U) < i(U')$ .

If  $i(U) = i(U')$  then (see Statement 3.2.1)

$$W(U) \cap X'_{i(U)} = \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^{i(U)} S_i(U) \right) \cap X'_{i(U)} = S_{i(U)} = U \neq$$

$$U' = S_{i(U')} = \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^{i(U')} S_i(U') \right) \cap X'_{i(U')} = W(U') \cap X'_{i(U')},$$

and hence,  $W(U) \neq W(U')$  for the case  $i(U) = i(U')$ , too.

Statement 3.2.2 is proved.

**3.2.3.** We prove the equalities  $\tilde{X}_i = \tilde{X}_i(\tau)$  and  $X_i = X'_i(\tau)$  by induction on  $i$ .

Let  $i = 1$ .

In the beginning let's prove that  $\tilde{X}_1 \subseteq \tilde{X}_1(\tau)$ .

We assume the contrary, i.e. that  $\tilde{X}_1 \not\subseteq \tilde{X}_1(\tau)$ , and let  $U \in \tilde{X}_1 \setminus \tilde{X}_1(\tau)$ . Then  $i(U) = 1$ , and hence,  $U = S_1(U) = \bigcup_{i=1}^1 S_i(U) \in \tau$ . As  $U \notin \tilde{X}_1(\tau)$ , then  $W \subset U$ , for some  $W \in \tau$ . From the definition of the topology  $\tau$  it follows that there exists  $U' \in \tilde{X}$  such that  $\bigcup_{i=1}^{i(U')} S_i(U') \subseteq W \subset U$ , and hence,  $S_1(U') \cap U = S_1(U') \neq \emptyset$ . Then by the condition 6  $U = S_1(U) \subseteq S_1(U') \subseteq W \subset U$ , and hence,  $U = W$ .

We have received the contradiction (see the choice of  $U$ ), and hence,  $\tilde{X}_1 \subseteq \tilde{X}_1(\tau)$ .

Let now  $U \in \tilde{X}_1(\tau)$ . Then  $U$  is an atom in the lattice  $(\tau, \subseteq)$ , and hence,  $U \in \tau$ . From the definition of the topology  $\tau$  it follows that there exists  $U' \in \tilde{X}$  such that  $W(U') = \bigcup_{i=1}^{i(U')} S_i(U') \subseteq U$ . By the condition 6 of this theorem  $X'_1 \supseteq S_1(U') \neq \emptyset$ . As  $X'_1 = \bigcup_{W \in \tilde{X}_1} W$  then  $U_0 \cap S_1(U') \neq \emptyset$  for some  $U_0 \in \tilde{X}_1$ . Then  $i(U_0) = 1$  and

by the condition 6, we receive that  $U_0 = S_1(U_0) \subseteq S_1(U') \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^{i(U')} S_i(U') \subseteq U$ . As  $U_0 = \bigcup_{i=1}^1 S_i(U_0) \in \tau$  and  $U$  is an atom in the lattice  $(\tau, \subseteq)$  then  $U = U_0 \in \tilde{X}_1$ .

From the randomness of the set  $U \in \tilde{X}_1(\tau)$  it follows that  $\tilde{X}_1(\tau) \subseteq \tilde{X}_1$ , and hence,  $\tilde{X}_1(\tau) = \tilde{X}_1$ .

Then  $X'_1 = \bigcup_{U \in \tilde{X}_1} U = \bigcup_{U \in \tilde{X}_1(\tau)} U = X'_1(\tau)$ .

Hence, the equalities  $\tilde{X}_i = \tilde{X}_i(\tau)$  and  $X_i = X'_i(\tau)$  for  $i = 1$  are true.

We suppose that the equalities  $\tilde{X}_i(\tau) = \tilde{X}_i$  and  $X'_i(\tau) = X'_i$  are true for  $i \leq s$  and any finite set, any natural number  $k$ , any set  $\tilde{X}$ , the sets  $\tilde{X}_1, \dots, \tilde{X}_k$ , and the subsets  $S'_j(U) = S_{s+j}(U)$  for  $U \in \tilde{Y}$  and  $j \leq k - s$  for which the conditions of this theorem are satisfied.

Let's consider:

- The set  $Y = X \setminus \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^s X'_i \right)$ ;
- The natural number  $k - s$ ;
- The set  $\tilde{Y} = \bigcup_{i=s+1}^k \tilde{X}_i$ ;
- The sets  $\tilde{Y}_1 = \tilde{X}_{s+1}, \dots, \tilde{Y}_{k-s} = \tilde{X}_k$ ;
- The subsets  $S'_j(U) = S_{s+j}(U)$  for  $U \in \tilde{Y}$  and  $j \leq k - s$ .

It is easy to notice that the conditions of this theorem are satisfied for them. Then applying Statements 3.2.1, 3.2.2 and 3.2.3 for the case  $i = 1$  we can construct a topology  $\tau'$  on the set  $Y$  such that the set  $\{W'(U) = \bigcup_{i=1}^{i(U)-s} S'_i(U) \mid U \in \tilde{Y}\}$  is a base of the topological space  $(Y, \tau')$  and  $\tilde{Y}_1 = \tilde{Y}_1(\tau')$ .

As  $S_i \subseteq X'_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq s$  and  $X'_i \cap X'_j = \emptyset$  for  $i \neq j$  then

$$\begin{aligned} W'(U) &= \bigcup_{i=1}^{i'(U)} S'_i(U) = \bigcup_{i=s+1}^{i(U)} S_i(U) = \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^{i(U)} S_i(U) \right) \cap \left( X \setminus \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^s X'_i \right) \right) = \\ &= \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^{i(U)} S_i(U) \right) \cap \left( X \setminus \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^s X'_i(\tau) \right) \right) = W(U) \cap X_{s+1}(\tau). \end{aligned}$$

As the sets  $\{W'(U) \mid U \in \tilde{Y}\}$  and  $\{W(U) \mid U \in \tilde{X}\}$  are bases of the topological spaces  $(Y, \tau')$  and  $(X, \tau)$ , accordingly, and

$$Y = X \setminus \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^s X'_i \right) = X \setminus \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^s X'_i(\tau) \right) = X_{s+1}(\tau)$$

then  $\tau' = \tau|_{X_{s+1}} = \tau_{s+1}$ , and hence, the set  $\tilde{X}_{s+1} = \tilde{Y}_1$  is the set of all atoms in the lattice  $(\tau_{s+1}, \subseteq)$ , i.e.  $\tilde{X}_{s+1} = \tilde{X}_{s+1}(\tau)$ .

Then

$$X'_{s+1} = \bigcup_{U \in \tilde{X}_{s+1}} U = \bigcup_{U \in \tilde{X}_{s+1}(\tau)} U = X'_{s+1}(\tau).$$

Statement 3.2.3 is proved for case  $i = s + 1$ .

**3.2.4.** As  $X'_i(\tau) = X'_i$  for any  $1 \leq i \leq t$  then (see Statements 3.2.1, 3.1, and the condition 6)  $S_j(U, \tau) = V(U) \cap X'_j(\tau) = \left( \bigcap_{V \in \tau, U \subseteq V} V \right) \cap X'_j(\tau) = \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^{i(U)} S_i(U) \right) \cap X'_j = S_j(U)$ .

So, we have proved that  $S_j(U, \tau) = S_j(x)$  for any  $1 \leq j \leq t$  and any  $U \in \tilde{X}$ .

Statement 3.2.4 is proved.

To complete the proof of Statement 3.2 it is necessary to check up the uniqueness of the topology for which Statements 3.2.1 - 3.2.4 are true. But it follows from Theorem 2.

Statement 3.2 is proved, and hence, the theorem is completely proved.  $\square$

**Example 1.** The method which has been specified in Theorem 3 will be applied now for constructing a topology  $\tau$  on a finite set  $X$  of cardinality  $n$ .

1. We fix a positive integer  $k \leq n$  (number  $k$  be the weight of the topological space  $(X, \tau)$ ).

2. Consider a partition  $\tilde{X}$  of the set  $X$  into  $k$  subsets (the set  $\tilde{X}$  be the set of all quasiatoms in the topological space  $(X, \tau)$ ).

3. Fix a natural number  $t \leq k$  and consider a sequence  $k_1, \dots, k_t$  of positive integers such that  $\sum_{i=1}^t k_i = k$ .

4. Consider a sequence  $\tilde{X}_1, \dots, \tilde{X}_t$  such that the set  $\{\tilde{X}_1, \dots, \tilde{X}_t\}$  is a partition of the set  $\tilde{X}$  and  $|\tilde{X}_i| = k_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq t$ . (For every  $1 \leq i \leq t$  the set  $\tilde{X}_i$  be the set of all quasiatoms of level  $i$  in the topological space  $(X, \tau)$ .)

5. For any integer  $1 \leq i < t$  we consider the set  $\overline{X}_i$  of all nonempty subsets of the set  $\tilde{X}_i$ .

6. For any integer  $2 \leq i \leq t$  we consider a map  $f_i : \tilde{X}_i \rightarrow \overline{X}_{i-1}$ .

7. For any positive integers  $1 < i \leq j \leq t$  and any  $U \in \tilde{X}_j$  we consider the positive integer  $i(U) = j$  and the subset  $S_i(U)$  of the set  $\overline{X}_i$  such that  $S_i(U) = \{U\}$  for  $i = j$  and  $S_i(U) = f_{i+1}(f_{i+2}(\dots f_j(U) \dots))$  for  $1 < i < j$ .

It is easy to see that the natural number  $k$ , the partition  $\tilde{X}$  of the set  $X$ , the sequence  $\tilde{X}_1, \dots, \tilde{X}_t$ , and subsets  $S_i(U)$  of the set  $\overline{X}_i$  satisfy the conditions of Theorem 2, and hence, on the set  $X$  there exists the unique topology  $\tau$  for which the set  $\{\bigcup_{j=1}^{i(U)} |U \in \tilde{X}\}$  is a base of the topological space  $(X, \tau)$ .

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