

## Universal elements for some classes of spaces

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### ABSTRACT

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In the paper [4] two dimensions, denoted by  $dm$  and  $Dm$ , are defined in the class of all Hausdorff spaces. The dimension  $Dm$  does not have the universality property in the class of separable metrizable spaces because the family of all such spaces  $X$  with  $Dm(X) \leq 0$  coincides with the family of all totally disconnected spaces in which there are no universal elements (see [5]). In [3] we gave the dimension-like functions  $dm_{\mathbb{E}}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}$  and  $Dm_{\mathbb{E}}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}$ , where  $\mathbb{K}$  is a class of subsets,  $\mathbb{E}$  a class of spaces and  $\mathbb{B}$  a class of bases and we proved that in the families  $\mathbb{P}(dm_{\mathbb{E}}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$  and  $\mathbb{P}(Dm_{\mathbb{E}}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$  of all spaces  $X$  for which  $dm_{\mathbb{E}}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \kappa$  and  $Dm_{\mathbb{E}}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \kappa$ , respectively there exist universal elements. In this paper, we give some new dimension-like functions and define using these definitions classes of spaces in which there are universal elements.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

**Agreement.** All spaces are assumed to be  $T_0$ -spaces of weight  $\leq \tau$ , where  $\tau$  is a fixed infinite cardinal. The set of all finite subsets of  $\tau$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{F}$  and the first infinite cardinal is denoted by  $\omega$ . The cardinality of a set  $X$  is denoted by  $|X|$ . The class of all ordinals is denoted by  $\mathcal{O}$ . We also consider two symbols:  $-1$  and  $\infty$ . It is assumed that  $-1 < \alpha < \infty$  for every  $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$ .

In the proof of the main results of this paper widely we use notions and notations from [2]. For this reason we start given some of them.

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We shall use the symbol “ $\equiv$ ” in order to introduce new notations without mention this fact. If “ $\sim$ ” is an equivalence relation on a non-empty set  $X$ , then the set of all equivalence classes of  $\sim$  is denoted by  $C(\sim)$ .

Let  $\mathbf{S}$  be an indexed collection of spaces. An indexed collection

$$\mathbf{M} \equiv \{\{U_\delta^X : \delta \in \tau\} : X \in \mathbf{S}\} \quad (1)$$

where  $\{U_\delta^X : \delta \in \tau\}$  is an indexed base for  $X$ , is called a *co-mark* of  $\mathbf{S}$ . The co-mark  $\mathbf{M}$  of  $\mathbf{S}$  is said to be a *co-extension* of a co-mark

$$\mathbf{M}^+ \equiv \{\{V_\delta^X : \delta \in \tau\} : X \in \mathbf{S}\}$$

of  $\mathbf{S}$  if there exists a one-to-one mapping  $\theta$  of  $\tau$  into itself such that for every  $X \in \mathbf{S}$  and for every  $\delta \in \tau$ ,  $V_\delta^X = U_{\theta(\delta)}^X$ . The corresponding mapping  $\theta$  is called an *indicial mapping from  $\mathbf{M}^+$  to  $\mathbf{M}$* .

Let

$$\mathbf{R}_1 \equiv \{\sim_1^s : s \in \mathcal{F}\}$$

and

$$\mathbf{R}_0 \equiv \{\sim_0^s : s \in \mathcal{F}\}$$

be two indexed families of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$ . It is said that  $\mathbf{R}_1$  is a *final refinement* of  $\mathbf{R}_0$  if for every  $s \in \mathcal{F}$  there exists  $t \in \mathcal{F}$  such that  $\sim_1^t \subseteq \sim_0^s$ .

An indexed family  $\mathbf{R} \equiv \{\sim^s : s \in \mathcal{F}\}$  of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$  is said to be *admissible* if the following conditions are satisfied: (a)  $\sim^\emptyset = \mathbf{S} \times \mathbf{S}$ , (b) for every  $s \in \mathcal{F}$  the number of  $\sim^s$ -equivalence classes is finite, and (c)  $\sim^s \subseteq \sim^t$ , if  $t \subseteq s$ . We denote by  $C(\mathbf{R})$  the set  $\cup\{C(\sim^s) : s \in \mathcal{F}\}$ . The minimal ring of subsets of  $\mathbf{S}$  containing  $C(\mathbf{R})$  is denoted by  $C^\diamond(\mathbf{R})$ .

Consider the co-mark (1) of  $\mathbf{S}$ . We denote by

$$\mathbf{R}_\mathbf{M} \equiv \{\sim_\mathbf{M}^s : s \in \mathcal{F}\}$$

the indexed family of equivalence relations  $\sim_\mathbf{M}^s$  on  $\mathbf{S}$  defined as follows: for every  $X, Y \in \mathbf{S}$  we set  $X \sim_\mathbf{M}^s Y$  if and only if there exists an isomorphism  $i$  of the algebra of subsets of  $X$  generated by the set  $\{U_\delta^X : \delta \in s\}$  onto the algebra of subsets of  $Y$  generated by the set  $\{U_\delta^Y : \delta \in s\}$  such that  $i(U_\delta^X) = U_\delta^Y$ , for every  $\delta \in s$ . Also, we set  $\sim_\mathbf{M}^\emptyset = \mathbf{S} \times \mathbf{S}$ . An admissible family  $\mathbf{R}$  of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$  is said to be  *$\mathbf{M}$ -admissible* if  $\mathbf{R}$  is a final refinement of  $\mathbf{R}_\mathbf{M}$ .

Let  $\mathbf{R} \equiv \{\sim^s : s \in \mathcal{F}\}$  be an  $\mathbf{M}$ -admissible family of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$ . On the set of all pairs  $(x, X)$ , where  $X \in \mathbf{S}$  and  $x \in X$ , we consider an equivalence relation, denoted by  $\sim_\mathbf{R}^\mathbf{M}$ , as follows:  $(x, X) \sim_\mathbf{R}^\mathbf{M} (y, Y)$  if and only if  $X \sim^s Y$  for every  $s \in \mathcal{F}$ , and either  $x \in U_\delta^X$  and  $y \in U_\delta^Y$  or  $x \notin U_\delta^X$  and  $y \notin U_\delta^Y$  for every  $\delta \in \tau$ . The set of all equivalence classes of the relation  $\sim_\mathbf{R}^\mathbf{M}$  is denoted by  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{R})$  or simply by  $\mathbf{T}$ .

For every  $\mathbf{H} \in C^\diamond(\mathbf{R})$  the set of all  $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{R})$  for which there exists an element  $(x, X) \in \mathbf{a}$  such that  $X \in \mathbf{H}$  is denoted by  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H})$ . For every  $\delta \in \tau$  and  $\mathbf{H} \in C^\diamond(\mathbf{R})$  we denote by  $U_\delta^\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H})$  the set of all  $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{R})$  for which there exists an element  $(x, X) \in \mathbf{a}$  such that  $X \in \mathbf{H}$  and  $x \in U_\delta^X$ .

For every subset  $\kappa$  of  $\tau$  and  $\mathbf{L} \in C^\diamond(\mathbf{R})$  we set

- (1)  $B_\diamond^T \equiv \{U_\delta^T(\mathbf{H}) : \delta \in \tau \text{ and } \mathbf{H} \in C^\diamond(\mathbf{R})\}$ .
- (2)  $B_{\diamond,\kappa}^T \equiv \{U_\delta^T(\mathbf{H}) : \delta \in \kappa \text{ and } \mathbf{H} \in C^\diamond(\mathbf{R})\}$ .
- (3)  $B_{\diamond,\kappa}^L \equiv \{U_\delta^T(\mathbf{H}) \in B_{\diamond,\kappa}^T : \mathbf{H} \subseteq \mathbf{L}\}$ .

Under some simple (set-theoretical) conditions on  $\mathbf{R}$  the set  $B_\diamond^T$  is a base for a topology on the set  $T(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{R})$  such that the corresponding space is a  $T_0$ -space of weight  $\leq \tau$ . Moreover, if for every  $X \in \mathbf{S}$  the set  $\{U_\delta^X : \delta \in \kappa\}$  is a base for  $X$ , then the set  $B_{\diamond,\kappa}^T$  is a base for the same topology on  $T(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{R})$ . Therefore, the family  $B_{\diamond,\kappa}^L$  is a base for  $T(\mathbf{L})$ . (See Corollary 1.2.8 and Proposition 1.2.9 in [2]).

For every element  $X$  of  $\mathbf{S}$  there exists a natural embedding  $i_T^X$  of  $X$  into the space  $T(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{R})$  defined as follows: for every  $x \in X$ ,  $i_T^X(x) = \mathbf{a}$ , where  $\mathbf{a}$  is the element of  $T(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{R})$  containing the pair  $(x, X)$ . Thus, we have constructed containing space  $T(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{R})$  for  $\mathbf{S}$  of weight  $\leq \tau$ .

Suppose that for every  $X \in \mathbf{S}$  a subset  $Q^X$  of  $X$  is given. The set

$$\mathbf{Q} \equiv \{Q^X : X \in \mathbf{S}\} \quad (2)$$

is called a *restriction* of  $\mathbf{S}$ . Let  $\mathbf{IF}$  be a class of subsets. A restriction  $\mathbf{Q}$  of an indexed collection  $\mathbf{S}$  of spaces is said to be a  *$\mathbf{IF}$ -restriction* if  $(Q^X, X) \in \mathbf{IF}$  for every  $X \in \mathbf{S}$ .

Consider the restriction (2) of  $\mathbf{S}$ . The *trace on  $\mathbf{Q}$  of the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}$  of  $\mathbf{S}$*  is the co-mark

$$\mathbf{M}|_{\mathbf{Q}} \equiv \{\{U_\delta^X \cap Q^X : \delta \in \tau\} : Q^X \in \mathbf{Q}\}$$

of  $\mathbf{Q}$ . The *trace on  $\mathbf{Q}$  of an equivalence relation  $\sim$  on  $\mathbf{S}$*  is the equivalence relation on  $\mathbf{Q}$  denoted by  $\sim|_{\mathbf{Q}}$  and defined as follows:  $Q^X \sim|_{\mathbf{Q}} Q^Y$  if and only if  $X \sim Y$ . Let  $\mathbf{R} \equiv \{\sim^s : s \in \mathcal{F}\}$  be an indexed family of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$ . The *trace on  $\mathbf{Q}$  of the family  $\mathbf{R}$*  is the family  $\mathbf{R}|_{\mathbf{Q}} \equiv \{\sim^s|_{\mathbf{Q}} : s \in \mathcal{F}\}$  of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{Q}$ . The *trace on  $\mathbf{Q}$  of an element  $\mathbf{H}$  of  $C^\diamond(\mathbf{R})$*  is the element

$$\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{Q}} \equiv \{Q^X \in \mathbf{Q} : X \in \mathbf{H}\}$$

of  $C^\diamond(\mathbf{R}|_{\mathbf{Q}})$ .

The  $\mathbf{M}$ -admissible family  $\mathbf{R}$  of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$  is said to be  *$(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{Q})$ -admissible* if  $\mathbf{R}|_{\mathbf{Q}}$  is an  $\mathbf{M}|_{\mathbf{Q}}$ -admissible family of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{Q}$ .

If  $\mathbf{R}$  is an  $(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{Q})$ -admissible family of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$ , then we can consider the containing space  $T(\mathbf{M}|_{\mathbf{Q}}, \mathbf{R}|_{\mathbf{Q}})$  for the indexed collection  $\mathbf{Q}$  corresponding to the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}|_{\mathbf{Q}}$  and the  $\mathbf{M}|_{\mathbf{Q}}$ -admissible family  $\mathbf{R}|_{\mathbf{Q}}$ . The containing space  $T(\mathbf{M}|_{\mathbf{Q}}, \mathbf{R}|_{\mathbf{Q}})$  is denoted briefly by  $T|_{\mathbf{Q}}$ . There exists a natural embedding of  $T(\mathbf{M}|_{\mathbf{Q}}, \mathbf{R}|_{\mathbf{Q}})$  into  $T(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{R})$ . So we can consider the containing space  $T(\mathbf{M}|_{\mathbf{Q}}, \mathbf{R}|_{\mathbf{Q}})$  as a subspace of the space  $T(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{R})$ . The subsets of this form will be called *specific subsets* of  $T(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{R})$ .

A class  $\mathbf{IP}$  of spaces is said to be *saturated* if for every indexed collection  $\mathbf{S}$  of spaces belonging to  $\mathbf{IP}$  there exists a co-mark  $\mathbf{M}^+$  of  $\mathbf{S}$  satisfying the following

condition: for every co-extension  $\mathbf{M}$  of  $\mathbf{M}^+$  there exists an  $\mathbf{M}$ -admissible family  $\mathbf{R}^+$  of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$  such that for every admissible family  $\mathbf{R}$  of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$ , which is a final refinement of  $\mathbf{R}^+$ , and for every  $\mathbf{L} \in \mathcal{C}^\diamond(\mathbf{R})$  the space  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L})$  belongs to  $\mathbf{IP}$ .

The co-mark  $\mathbf{M}^+$  is said to be *an initial co-mark of  $\mathbf{S}$  corresponding to the class  $\mathbf{IP}$*  and the family  $\mathbf{R}$  is said to be *an initial family of  $\mathbf{S}$  corresponding to the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}$  and the class  $\mathbf{IP}$* .

**Agreement.** In what follows we denote by  $\nu$  a fixed cardinal greater than  $\omega$  and less than or equal to  $\tau$ .

**Notation.** For every dimension-like function  $df_\nu$ , with as domain the class of all spaces and as range the class  $\mathcal{O} \cup \{-1, \infty\}$ ; and for every  $\alpha \in \{-1\} \cup \mathcal{O}$ , we denote by  $\mathbf{IP}(df_\nu \leq \alpha)$  the class of all spaces  $X$  with  $df_\nu(X) \leq \alpha$ .

## 2. THE DIMENSION-LIKE FUNCTIONS: $dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}$ AND $Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}$

In this section we give some new dimension-like functions and define using these definitions classes of spaces in which there are universal elements. The proofs of these results are similar to the proofs of the results in [3], for this reason are omitted.

**Definition 2.1** (see [1]). Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two disjoint subsets of a space  $X$ . We say that a subset  $L$  of  $X$  *separates*  $A$  and  $B$  if there exist two open subsets  $U$  and  $W$  of  $X$  such that: (a)  $A \subseteq U$ ,  $B \subseteq W$ , (b)  $U \cap W = \emptyset$ , and (c)  $X \setminus L = U \cup W$ .

**Definition 2.2** (see [3]). A class  $\mathbb{E}$  of spaces is said to be  *$\mathbb{B}$ -hereditary-separated*, where  $\mathbb{B}$  is a class of bases, if for every element  $X$  of  $\mathbb{E}$  there exists a  $\mathbb{B}$ -base  $B^X \equiv \{U_\delta : \delta \in \tau\}$  for  $X$  such that for every two elements  $U_{\delta_1}$  and  $U_{\delta_2}$  of  $B^X$  with  $\text{Cl}(U_{\delta_1}) \cap \text{Cl}(U_{\delta_2}) = \emptyset$  there exists a subset  $L$  of  $X$  separating the sets  $\text{Cl}(U_{\delta_1})$  and  $\text{Cl}(U_{\delta_2})$  and belonging to  $\mathbb{E}$ .

We note that if  $\mathbb{E}$  is  $\mathbb{B}$ -hereditary-separated, then  $\emptyset \in \mathbb{E}$ . This follows by the fact that the empty set is the unique subset of  $X$  separating the elements  $\emptyset$  and  $X$  of  $B^X$ .

**Definition 2.3.** Let  $\mathbb{B}$  be a class of bases,  $\mathbb{E}$  a  $\mathbb{B}$ -hereditary-separated class of spaces, and  $\mathbb{K}$  a class of subsets with  $(X, X) \in \mathbb{K}$  for every space  $X$ . We denote by  $dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}$  and  $Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}$  the *dimension-like functions* with as domain the class of all spaces and as range the class  $\mathcal{O} \cup \{-1, \infty\}$  satisfying the following conditions:

- (1)  $dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}(X) = Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}(X) = -1$  if and only if  $X \in \mathbb{E}$ .
- (2)  $Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \alpha$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$ , if and only if there exists a  $\mathbb{B}$ -base  $B^X \equiv \{U_\delta : \delta \in \tau\}$  for  $X$  such that for every two elements  $U_{\delta_1}$ ,  $U_{\delta_2}$  of  $B^X$  with  $\text{Cl}(U_{\delta_1}) \cap \text{Cl}(U_{\delta_2}) = \emptyset$  there exists a subset  $L$  of  $X$  separating  $\text{Cl}(U_{\delta_1})$  and  $\text{Cl}(U_{\delta_2})$  with  $dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}(L) < \alpha$ .

- (3)  $dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \alpha$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$ , if and only if  $X = \cup\{S_i : i \in \nu\}$  such that: (a) the subset  $S_i$  of  $X$  is closed, (b)  $(S_i, X) \in \mathbb{K}$ , and (c)  $Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(S_i) \leq \alpha$ ,  $i \in \nu$ .

Therefore,  $dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) = \infty$  (respectively,  $Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) = \infty$ ) if and only if the inequality  $dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \alpha$  (respectively,  $Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \alpha$ ) is not true for every  $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$ .

**Remark 2.4.**

- (1) In order that the above definition to be well defined we need to show that if for a space  $X$  we have  $Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) = dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) = -1$ , then  $Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq 0$  and  $dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq 0$ .

For dimension-like function  $Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}$  this follows immediately by the fact that  $X \in \mathbb{E}$  and the class  $\mathbb{E}$  is  $\mathbb{B}$ -hereditary-separated.

For dimension-like function  $dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}$ , we have (a)  $X = \{S_i : i \in \nu\}$ , where  $S_i = X$ , (b)  $(X, X) \in \mathbb{K}$ , and (c)  $Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) = -1 \leq 0$ , which means that  $dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq 0$ .

- (2) For  $\nu = \omega$  the dimension-like functions  $dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}$  and  $Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}$  coincide with the dimension-like functions  $dm_{\mathbb{E}}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}$  and  $Dm_{\mathbb{E}}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}$ , respectively which are defined in [3].

**Proposition 2.5.** *For every space  $X$  we have*

$$dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X).$$

**Proposition 2.6.** *For every space  $X$ ,  $Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \in \{-1, \infty\} \cup \tau^+$  and, therefore,  $dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \in \{-1, \infty\} \cup \tau^+$ .*

**Theorem 2.7.** *Let  $\mathbb{B}$  be a saturated class of bases,  $\mathbb{E}$  a saturated  $\mathbb{B}$ -hereditary-separated class of spaces, and  $\mathbb{K}$  a saturated class of subsets with  $(X, X) \in \mathbb{K}$  for every space  $X$ . Then, for every  $\kappa \in \{-1\} \cup \omega$  the classes  $\mathbb{P}(dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$  and  $\mathbb{P}(Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$  are saturated.*

**Corollary 2.8.** *For every  $\kappa \in \omega$  in the classes*

$$\mathbb{P}(dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa) \text{ and } \mathbb{P}(Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$$

*there exist universal elements.*

**Corollary 2.9.** *Let  $\mathbb{P}$  be one of the following classes*

- (a) *the class of all (completely) regular spaces of weight  $\leq \tau$ ,*
- (b) *the class of all (completely) regular countable-dimensional spaces of weight  $\leq \tau$ ,*
- (c) *the class of all (completely) regular strongly countable-dimensional spaces of weight  $\leq \tau$ ,*
- (d) *the class of all (completely) regular locally finite-dimensional spaces of weight  $\leq \tau$ , and*

- (e) the class of all (completely) regular spaces  $X$  of weight  $\leq \tau$  such that  $\text{ind}(X) \leq \alpha \in \tau^+$ .

Then, for every  $\kappa \in \omega$  in the classes

$$\mathbb{P}(dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa) \cap \mathbb{P} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{P}(Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa) \cap \mathbb{P}$$

there exist universal elements.

### 3. THE DIMENSION-LIKE FUNCTIONS: $w-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}$ AND $w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}$

**Definition 3.1.** A class  $\mathbb{E}$  of spaces is said to be  $\mathbb{B}$ -weakly-hereditary-separated, where  $\mathbb{B}$  is a class of bases, if for every element  $X$  of  $\mathbb{E}$  there exists a  $\mathbb{B}$ -base  $B^X \equiv \{U_\delta : \delta \in \tau\}$  for  $X$  such that for every two elements  $U_{\delta_1}$  and  $U_{\delta_2}$  of  $B^X$  with  $\text{Cl}(U_{\delta_1}) \cap U_{\delta_2} = \emptyset$  there exists a subset  $L$  of  $X$  separating the sets  $\text{Cl}(U_{\delta_1})$  and  $U_{\delta_2}$  and belonging to  $\mathbb{E}$ .

We note that if  $\mathbb{E}$  is  $\mathbb{B}$ -weakly-hereditary-separated, then  $\emptyset \in \mathbb{E}$ . This follows by the fact that the empty set is the unique subset of  $X$  separating the elements  $\emptyset$  and  $X$  of  $B^X$ .

**Definition 3.2.** Let  $\mathbb{B}$  be a class of bases,  $\mathbb{E}$  a  $\mathbb{B}$ -weakly-hereditary-separated class of spaces, and  $\mathbb{K}$  a class of subsets with  $(X, X) \in \mathbb{K}$  for every space  $X$ . We denote by  $w-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}$  and  $w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}$  the *dimension-like functions* with as domain the class of all spaces and as range the class  $\mathcal{O} \cup \{-1, \infty\}$  satisfying the following conditions:

- (1)  $w-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) = w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) = -1$  if and only if  $X \in \mathbb{E}$ .
- (2)  $w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \alpha$ , where  $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$ , if and only if there exists a  $\mathbb{B}$ -base  $B^X \equiv \{U_\delta : \delta \in \tau\}$  for  $X$  such that for every two elements  $U_{\delta_1}, U_{\delta_2}$  of  $B^X$  with  $\text{Cl}(U_{\delta_1}) \cap U_{\delta_2} = \emptyset$  there exists a subset  $L$  of  $X$  separating  $\text{Cl}(U_{\delta_1})$  and  $U_{\delta_2}$  with  $w-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(L) < \alpha$ .
- (3)  $w-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \alpha$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$ , if and only if  $X = \cup\{S_i : i \in \nu\}$  such that: (a) the subset  $S_i$  of  $X$  is closed, (b)  $(S_i, X) \in \mathbb{K}$ , and (c)  $w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(S_i) \leq \alpha$ ,  $i \in \nu$ .

Therefore,  $w-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) = \infty$  (respectively,  $w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) = \infty$ ) if and only if the inequality  $w-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \alpha$  (respectively,  $w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \alpha$ ) is not true for every  $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$ .

**Remark 3.3.** In order that the above definition to be well defined we need to show that if for a space  $X$  we have  $w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) = w-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) = -1$ , then  $w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq 0$  and  $w-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq 0$ .

For dimension-like function  $w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}$  this follows immediately by the fact that  $X \in \mathbb{E}$  and the class  $\mathbb{E}$  is  $\mathbb{B}$ -weakly-hereditary-separated.

For dimension-like function  $w-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}$ , we have (a)  $X = \{S_i : i \in \nu\}$ , where  $S_i = X$ , (b)  $(X, X) \in \mathbb{K}$ , and (c)  $w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) = -1 \leq 0$ , which means that  $w-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq 0$ .

**Proposition 3.4.** *For every space  $X$  we have*

$$w-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X). \quad (3)$$

*Proof.* Let  $w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) = \alpha \in \{-1, \infty\} \cup \mathcal{O}$ . The inequality (3) is clear if  $\alpha = -1$  or  $\alpha = \infty$ . Suppose that  $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$ . We have  $X = \cup\{S_i : i \in \nu\}$ , where  $S_i = X$ . Since  $(S_i, X) = (X, X) \in \mathbb{K}$  and  $w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(S_i) = w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \alpha$ , the condition (3) of Definition 3.2 implies that  $w-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \alpha$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.5.** *For every space  $X$ ,  $w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \in \{-1, \infty\} \cup \tau^+$ , and, therefore  $w-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \in \{-1, \infty\} \cup \tau^+$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that the proposition is not true. Let  $\alpha$  be the minimal element of  $\mathcal{O} \setminus \tau^+$  such that there exists a space  $X$  with  $w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) = \alpha$ . Let  $B^X = \{U_\delta : \delta \in \tau\}$  be the  $\mathbb{B}$ -base for  $X$  mentioned in condition (2) of Definition 3.2.

Denote by  $P$  the set of all pairs  $(\delta_1, \delta_2) \in \tau \times \tau$  with

$$\text{Cl}(U_{\delta_1}) \cap U_{\delta_2} = \emptyset.$$

For every  $(\delta_1, \delta_2) \in P$  let  $L(\delta_1, \delta_2)$  be a subset of  $X$  separating the sets  $\text{Cl}(U_{\delta_1})$  and  $U_{\delta_2}$  with

$$w-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(L(\delta_1, \delta_2)) = \beta(\delta_1, \delta_2) < \alpha.$$

First we suppose that  $\beta(\delta_1, \delta_2) < \tau^+$  for every  $(\delta_1, \delta_2) \in P$ . Since  $|P| \leq \tau$  there exists an ordinal  $\beta \in \tau^+$  such that  $\beta(\delta_1, \delta_2) < \beta$  for every  $(\delta_1, \delta_2) \in P$ . Then,  $w-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(L(\delta_1, \delta_2)) < \beta$  and, by condition (2) of Definition 3.2,  $w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \beta$ , which is a contradiction.

Now, we suppose that there exists  $(\delta_1, \delta_2) \in P$  such that  $\tau^+ \leq \beta(\delta_1, \delta_2)$ . Since  $w-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(L(\delta_1, \delta_2)) = \beta(\delta_1, \delta_2)$ , there exist closed subsets  $S_i^{L(\delta_1, \delta_2)}$  of  $L(\delta_1, \delta_2)$ ,  $i \in \nu$ , such that:

- (a)  $L(\delta_1, \delta_2) = \cup\{S_i^{L(\delta_1, \delta_2)} : i \in \nu\}$ ,
- (b)  $(S_i^{L(\delta_1, \delta_2)}, L(\delta_1, \delta_2)) \in \mathbb{K}$ , and
- (c)  $w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(S_i^{L(\delta_1, \delta_2)}) = \beta_i \leq \beta(\delta_1, \delta_2) < \alpha$ .

If  $\beta_i < \tau^+$  for all  $i \in \nu$ , then there exists an ordinal  $\beta \in \tau^+$  such that  $\beta_i \leq \beta$ , which means that  $w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(S_i^{L(\delta_1, \delta_2)}) \leq \beta$ . Therefore,

$$w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(L(\delta_1, \delta_2)) \leq \beta < \tau^+ \leq \beta(\delta_1, \delta_2),$$

which is a contradiction. Thus, there exists  $i \in \nu$  such that

$$\tau^+ \leq w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(S_i^{L(\delta_1, \delta_2)}) < \alpha.$$

The last relation contradicts the choice of the ordinal  $\alpha$  completing the proof of the proposition.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.6.** *Let  $\mathbb{B}$  be a saturated class of bases,  $\mathbb{E}$  a saturated  $\mathbb{B}$ -weakly-hereditary-separated class of spaces, and  $\mathbb{K}$  a saturated class of subsets such that  $(X, X) \in \mathbb{K}$  for every space  $X$ . Then, for every  $\kappa \in \{-1\} \cup \omega$  the classes  $\mathbb{P}(w\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$  and  $\mathbb{P}(w\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$  are saturated.*

*Proof.* We prove the theorem by induction on  $\kappa$ . Let  $\kappa = -1$ . Then, a space  $X$  belongs to  $\mathbb{P}(w\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq -1)$  if and only if  $X$  belongs to  $\mathbb{E}$ , that is

$$\mathbb{P}(w\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq -1) = \mathbb{E}.$$

Therefore,  $\mathbb{P}(w\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq -1)$  is a saturated class of spaces. Similarly, the class  $\mathbb{P}(w\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq -1)$  is saturated.

Let  $\kappa \in \omega$ . Suppose that the classes  $\mathbb{P}(w\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq m)$  and  $\mathbb{P}(w\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq m)$  are saturated,  $m \in \{-1\} \cup \kappa$ . We prove that the classes  $\mathbb{P}(w\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$  and  $\mathbb{P}(w\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$  are also saturated. First we prove that  $\mathbb{P}(w\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$  is a saturated class.

Let  $\mathbf{S}$  be an indexed collection of elements of  $\mathbb{P}(w\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$ . For every  $X \in \mathbf{S}$  let  $B^X \equiv \{V_\varepsilon^X : \varepsilon \in \tau\}$  be an indexed  $\mathbb{B}$ -base for  $X$  satisfying condition (2) of Definition 3.2. Then, there exist

- (a) an indexed set  $\{L_\eta^X : \eta \in \tau\}$  of subsets of  $X$ ,
- (b) two indexed sets  $\{W_\eta^X : \eta \in \tau\}$  and  $\{O_\eta^X : \eta \in \tau\}$  of open subsets of  $X$ , and
- (c) a one-to-one mapping  $\varphi$  of  $\tau \times \tau$  onto  $\tau$  such that

- (1) For every  $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 \in \tau$  and  $\eta = \varphi(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2)$  we have

$$(d) \text{Cl}(V_{\varepsilon_1}^X) \subseteq W_\eta^X, V_{\varepsilon_2}^X \subseteq O_\eta^X,$$

$$(e) W_\eta^X \cap O_\eta^X = \emptyset, \text{ and}$$

$$(f) X \setminus L_\eta^X = W_\eta^X \cup O_\eta^X,$$

in the case, where  $\text{Cl}(V_{\varepsilon_1}^X) \cap V_{\varepsilon_2}^X = \emptyset$ , and  $L_\eta^X = \emptyset$  in the case, where  $\text{Cl}(V_{\varepsilon_1}^X) \cap V_{\varepsilon_2}^X \neq \emptyset$ .

- (2) For every  $\eta \in \tau$ ,  $w\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}(L_\eta^X) \leq \kappa - 1$ .

For every  $\eta \in \tau$  we set

$$\mathbf{L}_\eta = \{L_\eta^X : X \in \mathbf{S}\},$$

$$\mathbf{W}_\eta = \{W_\eta^X : X \in \mathbf{S}\}, \text{ and}$$

$$\mathbf{O}_\eta = \{O_\eta^X : X \in \mathbf{S}\}.$$

By the above property (2),  $\mathbf{L}_\eta$  is an indexed collection of elements of the class  $\mathbb{P}_{\kappa-1} \equiv \mathbb{P}(w\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa - 1)$ . By inductive assumption the class  $\mathbb{P}_{\kappa-1}$  is saturated. Therefore, there exists an initial co-mark  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{L}_\eta}^+$  of  $\mathbf{L}_\eta$  corresponding to the class  $\mathbb{P}_{\kappa-1}$ . Denote by  $\mathbf{M}_\eta$  a co-mark of  $\mathbf{S}$  such that its trace on  $\mathbf{L}_\eta$  is



a co-extension of the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{L}_\eta}^+$ . The existence of such a co-mark is easily proved.

Consider the co-indication

$$\mathbf{N} \equiv \{\{V_\varepsilon^X : \varepsilon \in \tau\} : X \in \mathbf{S}\}$$

of the  $\mathbf{IB}$ -co-base  $\mathbf{B} \equiv \{B^X : X \in \mathbf{S}\}$  of  $\mathbf{S}$ . Since  $\mathbf{IB}$  is a saturated class of bases there exists an initial co-mark  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{IB}}^+$  of  $\mathbf{S}$  corresponding to the co-indication  $\mathbf{N}$  of  $\mathbf{B}$  and the class  $\mathbf{IB}$ . In particular,  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{IB}}^+$  is a co-extension of  $\mathbf{N}$ .

By Lemma 2.1.2 of [2], there exists a co-mark  $\mathbf{M}^+$  of  $\mathbf{S}$ , which a co-extension of the co-marks  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{IB}}^+$  and  $\mathbf{M}_\eta$  for every  $\eta \in \tau$ . In particular,  $\mathbf{M}^+$  is a co-extension of  $\mathbf{N}$ . We show that  $\mathbf{M}^+$  is an initial co-mark of  $\mathbf{S}$  corresponding to the class  $\mathbf{IP}(w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbf{IK},\mathbf{IB}} \leq \kappa)$ .

Indeed, let

$$\mathbf{M} \equiv \{\{U_\delta^X : \delta \in \tau\} : X \in \mathbf{S}\}$$

be an arbitrary co-extension of  $\mathbf{M}^+$ . Then,  $\mathbf{M}$  is a co-extension of the co-marks  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{IB}}^+$ ,  $\mathbf{N}$ , and  $\mathbf{M}_\eta$  for every  $\eta \in \tau$ . Denote by  $\vartheta$  an indicial mapping from  $\mathbf{N}$  to  $\mathbf{M}$ . Then, for every  $X \in \mathbf{IE}$ ,  $V_\varepsilon^X = U_{\vartheta(\varepsilon)}^X$ ,  $\varepsilon \in \tau$ . Obviously, the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}|_{\mathbf{L}_\eta}$  is a co-extension of the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{L}_\eta}^+$  of  $\mathbf{L}_\eta$ .

Let  $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{IB}}^+$  be an initial family of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$  corresponding to the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}$ , the co-indication  $\mathbf{N}$  of  $\mathbf{B}$ , and the class  $\mathbf{IB}$ . Let also  $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{L}_\eta}^+$  be an initial family of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{L}_\eta$  corresponding to the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}|_{\mathbf{L}_\eta}$  and the class  $\mathbf{IP}_{\kappa-1}$ . Denote by  $\mathbf{R}_\eta$  the family of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$  such that the trace on  $\mathbf{L}_\eta$  of  $\mathbf{R}_\eta$  is the family  $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{L}_\eta}^+$ .

By Lemma 2.1.1 of [2], there exists an admissible family  $\mathbf{R}^+$  of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$ , which is a final refinement of the families  $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{IB}}^+$  and  $\mathbf{R}_\eta$  for every  $\eta \in \tau$ . In particular,  $\mathbf{R}^+$  is  $\mathbf{M}$ -admissible. Without loss of generality, we can suppose that  $\mathbf{R}^+$  is  $(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{W}_\eta)$ -admissible,  $(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{O}_\eta)$ -admissible,  $(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{Co}(\mathbf{W}_\eta))$ -admissible, and  $(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{Co}(\mathbf{O}_\eta))$ -admissible. We prove that  $\mathbf{R}^+$  is an initial family of  $\mathbf{S}$  corresponding to the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}$  of  $\mathbf{S}$  and the class  $\mathbf{IP}(w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbf{IK},\mathbf{IB}} \leq \kappa)$ . For this purpose we consider an arbitrary admissible family  $\mathbf{R}$  of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$ , which is a final refinement of  $\mathbf{R}^+$ , and prove that for every  $\mathbf{L} \in \mathbf{C}^\diamond(\mathbf{R})$  the space  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L})$  belongs to  $\mathbf{IP}(w-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbf{IK},\mathbf{IB}} \leq \kappa)$ . Let  $\mathbf{L} \in \mathbf{C}^\diamond(\mathbf{R})$ . Since  $\mathbf{IB}$  is a saturated class, we have  $(\mathbf{B}_{\diamond,\vartheta(\tau)}^{\mathbf{L}}, \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L})) \in \mathbf{IB}$ . We show that the base  $\mathbf{B}_{\diamond,\vartheta(\tau)}^{\mathbf{L}}$  of  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L})$  satisfies condition (2) of Definition 3.2, that is for every  $U_{\delta_1}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{H}_1)$  and  $U_{\delta_2}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{H}_2)$  of  $\mathbf{B}_{\diamond,\vartheta(\tau)}^{\mathbf{L}}$  (where  $\mathbf{H}_1, \mathbf{H}_2 \subseteq \mathbf{L}$ ), with

$$\text{Cl}_{\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L})}(U_{\delta_1}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{H}_1)) \cap U_{\delta_2}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{H}_2) = \emptyset \quad (4)$$

there exists a subset  $L$  of  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L})$  separating  $\text{Cl}_{\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L})}(U_{\delta_1}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{H}_1))$  and  $U_{\delta_2}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{H}_2)$  such that  $w-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbf{IK},\mathbf{IB}}(L) \leq \kappa - 1$ .

Consider two elements  $U_{\delta_1}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{H}_1)$ ,  $U_{\delta_2}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{H}_2)$  of  $\mathbf{B}_{\diamond,\vartheta(\tau)}^{\mathbf{L}}$  satisfying relation (4). First we suppose that  $\mathbf{H}_1 \cap \mathbf{H}_2 = \emptyset$ . Then,

- (g)  $\text{Cl}_{\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L})}(U_{\delta_1}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{H}_1)) \subseteq \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}_1)$ ,  $U_{\delta_2}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{H}_2) \subseteq \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L} \setminus \mathbf{H}_1)$ ,
- (h)  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}_1) \cap \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L} \setminus \mathbf{H}_1) = \emptyset$ , and
- (i)  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L}) = \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}_1) \cup \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L} \setminus \mathbf{H}_1)$ .

Therefore, the empty set separates the sets  $\text{Cl}_{\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L})}(U_{\delta_1}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{H}_1))$  and  $U_{\delta_2}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{H}_2)$ . Since  $w\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\text{IK},\text{IB}}(\emptyset) = -1 < \kappa$ , we have  $w\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\text{IK},\text{IB}}(\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L})) \leq \kappa$ .

Now, we suppose that  $\mathbf{H}_1 \cap \mathbf{H}_2 \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H}_1 \cap \mathbf{H}_2$ ,  $\vartheta^{-1}(\delta_1) = \varepsilon_1$ ,  $\vartheta^{-1}(\delta_2) = \varepsilon_2$ , and  $\eta = \varphi(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2)$ . We prove that  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{L}_\eta})$  separates the sets  $\text{Cl}_{\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L})}(U_{\delta_1}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{H}_1))$  and  $U_{\delta_2}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{H}_2)$ , and  $w\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\text{IK},\text{IB}}(\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{L}_\eta})) \leq \kappa - 1 < \kappa$ .

Since  $\mathbb{P}_{\kappa-1}$  is a saturated class of spaces, the subspace  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{L}_\eta})$  of  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{M}|_{\mathbf{L}_\eta}, \mathbf{R}|_{\mathbf{L}_\eta})$  belongs to  $\mathbb{P}_{\kappa-1}$ . Hence,

$$w\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\text{IK},\text{IB}}(\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{L}_\eta})) \leq \kappa - 1 < \kappa.$$

We prove that the subset  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{L}_\eta})$  of  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L})$  separates  $\text{Cl}_{\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L})}(U_{\delta_1}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{H}_1))$  and  $U_{\delta_2}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{H}_2)$ . Suppose that  $X \in \mathbf{H}$ . Since the subsets  $\text{Cl}(V_{\varepsilon_1}^X)$  and  $V_{\varepsilon_2}^X$  of  $X$  are disjoint, by condition (1) we have

- (k)  $\text{Cl}(V_{\varepsilon_1}^X) \subseteq W_\eta^X$ ,  $V_{\varepsilon_2}^X \subseteq O_\eta^X$ ,
- (l)  $W_\eta^X \cap O_\eta^X = \emptyset$ , and
- (m)  $X \setminus L_\eta^X = W_\eta^X \cup O_\eta^X$ .

The above relations imply that

- (n)  $\text{Cl}_{\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L})}(U_{\delta_1}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{H})) \subseteq \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{W}_\eta}) = \mathbf{T}|_{\mathbf{W}_\eta} \cap \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H})$ ,
- $U_{\delta_2}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{H}) \subseteq \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{O}_\eta}) = \mathbf{T}|_{\mathbf{O}_\eta} \cap \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H})$ ,
- (o)  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{W}_\eta}) \cap \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{O}_\eta}) = \emptyset$ , and
- (p)  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}) \setminus \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{L}_\eta}) = \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{W}_\eta}) \cup \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{O}_\eta})$ .

Since the restriction  $\mathbf{W}_\eta$  of  $\mathbf{S}$  is open and the family  $\mathbf{R}$  is  $(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{Co}(\mathbf{W}_\eta))$ -admissible, by Lemma 1.4.7 of [2], the subset  $\mathbf{T}|_{\mathbf{W}_\eta}$  of  $\mathbf{T}$  is open. Similarly, the subset  $\mathbf{T}|_{\mathbf{O}_\eta}$  of  $\mathbf{T}$  is open. Also, since the subset  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H})$  of  $\mathbf{T}$  is open and  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}) \subseteq \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L})$ , the sets  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{W}_\eta})$  and  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{O}_\eta})$  are open in  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L})$ .

Setting

$$W = \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}_1 \setminus \mathbf{H}) \cup \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{W}_\eta}) \quad \text{and} \quad O = \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L} \setminus \mathbf{H}_1) \cup \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{O}_\eta})$$

we have

- (q)  $\text{Cl}_{\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L})}(U_{\delta_1}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{H}_1)) \subseteq W$ ,  $U_{\delta_2}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{H}_2) \subseteq O$ ,
- (r)  $W \cap O = \emptyset$ , and
- (s)  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L}) \setminus \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{L}_\eta}) = W \cup O$ .

Therefore, the subset  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{L}_\eta})$  of  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L})$  separates the sets  $\text{Cl}_{\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L})}(U_{\delta_1}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{H}_1))$  and  $U_{\delta_2}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{H}_2)$ . Thus, the class  $\mathbb{P}(w - Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\text{IK},\text{IB}} \leq \kappa)$  is saturated.

Now, we prove that the class  $\mathbb{P}(w\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\text{IK},\text{IB}} \leq \kappa)$  is saturated. Let  $\mathbf{S}$  be a indexed collection of elements of  $\mathbb{P}(w\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\text{IK},\text{IB}} \leq \kappa)$ . For every  $X \in \mathbf{S}$  there exists an indexed set  $\{Q_i^X : i \in \nu\}$  of subsets of  $X$  such that

- (3)  $X = \cup\{Q_i^X : i \in \nu\}$ .  
 (4) For every  $i \in \nu$ , the subset  $Q_i^X$  of  $X$  is closed and  $(Q_i^X, X) \in \mathbb{K}$ .  
 (5) For every  $i \in \nu$ ,  $w-Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}(Q_i^X) \leq \kappa$ .

We set  $\mathbf{Q}_i = \{Q_i^X : X \in \mathbf{S}\}$ ,  $i \in \nu$ . By the preceding, the class  $\mathbb{P} \equiv \mathbb{P}(w-Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$  is saturated. By property (5),  $\mathbf{Q}_i$  is an indexed collection of elements of the class  $\mathbb{P}$ . Therefore, there exists an initial co-mark  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{Q}_i}^+$  of  $\mathbf{Q}_i$  corresponding to the class  $\mathbb{P}$ . Denote by  $\mathbf{M}_i$  a co-mark of  $\mathbf{S}$  such that its trace on  $\mathbf{Q}_i$  is a co-extension of the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{Q}_i}^+$ .

By property (4), the restriction  $\mathbf{Q}_i$  of  $\mathbf{S}$  is a  $\mathbb{K}$ -restriction. Since  $\mathbb{K}$  is a saturated class of subsets, for every  $i \in \nu$  there exists an initial co-mark  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbb{K}, i}^+$  of  $\mathbf{S}$  corresponding to the  $\mathbb{K}$ -restriction  $\mathbf{Q}_i$ .

By Lemma 2.1.2 of [2], there exists a co-mark  $\mathbf{M}^+$  of  $\mathbf{S}$ , which a co-extension of the co-marks  $\mathbf{M}_i$  and  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbb{K}, i}^+$  for every  $i \in \nu$ . We show that  $\mathbf{M}^+$  is an initial co-mark of  $\mathbf{S}$  corresponding to the class  $\mathbb{P}(w-dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$ .

Indeed, let

$$\mathbf{M} \equiv \{\{U_\delta^X : \delta \in \tau\} : X \in \mathbf{S}\}$$

be an arbitrary co-extension of  $\mathbf{M}^+$ . Then,  $\mathbf{M}$  is a co-extension of the co-marks  $\mathbf{M}_i$  and  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbb{K}, i}^+$  and the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}|_{\mathbf{Q}_i}$  is a co-extension of the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{Q}_i}^+$  of  $\mathbf{Q}_i$ ,  $i \in \nu$ .

Let  $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{Q}_i}^+$  be an initial family of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{Q}_i$  corresponding to the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}|_{\mathbf{Q}_i}$  and the class  $\mathbb{P}$ . Denote by  $\mathbf{R}_i$  the family of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$  such that the trace on  $\mathbf{Q}_i$  of  $\mathbf{R}_i$  is the family  $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{Q}_i}^+$ . Let also  $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbb{K}, i}^+$  be an initial family of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$  corresponding to the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}$  and the  $\mathbb{K}$ -restriction  $\mathbf{Q}_i$ .

By Lemma 2.1.1 of [2], there exists an admissible family  $\mathbf{R}^+$  of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$ , which is a final refinement of the families  $\mathbf{R}_i$  and  $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbb{K}, i}^+$ ,  $i \in \nu$ . Therefore,  $\mathbf{R}^+$  is an  $\mathbf{M}$ -admissible family.

We prove that  $\mathbf{R}^+$  is an initial family of  $\mathbf{S}$  corresponding to the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}$  of  $\mathbf{S}$  and the class  $\mathbb{P}(w-dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$ . For this purpose, we consider an arbitrary admissible family  $\mathbf{R}$  of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$ , which is a final refinement of  $\mathbf{R}^+$ . Then,  $\mathbf{R}$  is a final refinement of the families  $\mathbf{R}_i$  and  $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbb{K}, i}^+$  for every  $i \in \nu$ . We need to prove that for every  $\mathbf{L} \in \mathbf{C}^\diamond(\mathbf{R})$ ,  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L}) \in \mathbb{P}(w-dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$ . Let  $\mathbf{L} \in \mathbf{C}^\diamond(\mathbf{R})$ . It suffices to show that  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L}) = \cup\{\mathbf{T}_i(\mathbf{L}) : i \in \nu\}$  such that

- (t) the subset  $\mathbf{T}_i(\mathbf{L})$  of  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L})$  is closed,  
 (u)  $(\mathbf{T}_i(\mathbf{L}), \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L})) \in \mathbb{K}$ , and  
 (v)  $w-Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}(\mathbf{T}_i(\mathbf{L})) \leq \kappa$ ,  $i \in \nu$ .

We set  $\mathbf{T}_i(\mathbf{L}) = \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L}|_{\mathbf{Q}_i})$ ,  $i \in \nu$ . It is easy to verify that the subset  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L}|_{\mathbf{Q}_i})$  of  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L})$  is closed and  $\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L}) = \cup\{\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{L}|_{\mathbf{Q}_i}) : i \in \nu\}$ . Since  $\mathbb{K}$  is a saturated class

of subsets,  $(T(\mathbf{L}|_{\mathbf{Q}_i}), T(\mathbf{L})) \in \mathbb{K}$ . Since  $\mathbb{P}$  is a saturated class, the subspace  $T(\mathbf{L}|_{\mathbf{Q}_i})$  of  $T(\mathbf{M}|_{\mathbf{Q}_i}, \mathbf{R}|_{\mathbf{Q}_i})$  belongs to  $\mathbb{P}$ . Hence,  $w\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}(T(\mathbf{L}|_{\mathbf{Q}_i})) \leq \kappa$ .

Thus, by condition (3) of Definition 3.2,  $w\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}(T(\mathbf{L})) \leq \kappa$  proving that the class  $\mathbb{P}(w\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$  is saturated.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.7.** *For every  $\kappa \in \omega$  in the classes*

$$\mathbb{P}(w\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{P}(w\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$$

*there exist universal elements.*

**Corollary 3.8.** *Let  $\mathbb{P}$  be one of the following classes*

- (a) *the class of all (completely) regular spaces of weight  $\leq \tau$ ,*
- (b) *the class of all (completely) regular countable-dimensional spaces of weight  $\leq \tau$ ,*
- (c) *the class of all (completely) regular strongly countable-dimensional spaces of weight  $\leq \tau$ ,*
- (d) *the class of all (completely) regular locally finite-dimensional spaces of weight  $\leq \tau$ , and*
- (e) *the class of all (completely) regular spaces  $X$  of weight  $\leq \tau$  such that  $\text{ind}(X) \leq \alpha \in \tau^+$ .*

*Then, for every  $\kappa \in \omega$  in the classes*

$$\mathbb{P}(w\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa) \cap \mathbb{P} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{P}(w\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa) \cap \mathbb{P}$$

*there exist universal elements.*

#### 4. THE DIMENSION-LIKE FUNCTIONS: $s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}$ AND $s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}$

**Definition 4.1.** A class  $\mathbb{E}$  of spaces is said to be  $\mathbb{B}$ -strong-hereditary-separated, where  $\mathbb{B}$  is a class of bases, if for every element  $X$  of  $\mathbb{E}$  there exists a  $\mathbb{B}$ -base  $B^X \equiv \{U_\delta : \delta \in \tau\}$  for  $X$  such that for every two elements  $U_{\delta_1}$  and  $U_{\delta_2}$  of  $B^X$  with  $U_{\delta_1} \cap U_{\delta_2} = \emptyset$  there exists a subset  $L$  of  $X$  separating the sets  $U_{\delta_1}$  and  $U_{\delta_2}$  and belonging to  $\mathbb{E}$ .

We note that if  $\mathbb{E}$  is  $\mathbb{B}$ -strong-hereditary-separated, then  $\emptyset \in \mathbb{E}$ . This follows by the fact that the empty set is the unique subset of  $X$  separating the elements  $\emptyset$  and  $X$  of  $B^X$ .

**Definition 4.2.** Let  $\mathbb{B}$  be a class of bases,  $\mathbb{E}$  a  $\mathbb{B}$ -strong-hereditary-separated class of spaces, and  $\mathbb{K}$  a class of subsets with  $(X, X) \in \mathbb{K}$  for every space  $X$ . We denote by  $s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}$  and  $s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}$  the *dimension-like functions* with as domain the class of all spaces and as range the class  $\mathcal{O} \cup \{-1, \infty\}$  satisfying the following conditions:

- (1)  $s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}(X) = s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}(X) = -1$  if and only if  $X \in \mathbb{E}$ .
- (2)  $s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \alpha$ , where  $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$ , if and only if there exists a  $\mathbb{B}$ -base  $B^X \equiv \{U_\delta : \delta \in \tau\}$  for  $X$  such that for every two elements  $U_{\delta_1}, U_{\delta_2}$  of

$B^X$  with  $U_{\delta_1} \cap U_{\delta_2} = \emptyset$  there exists a subset  $L$  of  $X$  separating  $U_{\delta_1}$  and  $U_{\delta_2}$  with  $s-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(L) < \alpha$ .

- (3)  $s-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \alpha$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$ , if and only if  $X = \cup\{S_i : i \in \nu\}$  such that: (a) the subset  $S_i$  of  $X$  is closed, (b)  $(S_i, X) \in \mathbb{K}$ , and (c)  $s-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(S_i) \leq \alpha$ ,  $i \in \nu$ .

Therefore,  $s-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) = \infty$  (respectively,  $s-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) = \infty$ ) if and only if the inequality  $s-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \alpha$  (respectively,  $s-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \alpha$ ) is not true for every  $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$ .

**Remark 4.3.** In order that the above definition to be well defined we need to show that if for a space  $X$  we have  $s-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) = s-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) = -1$ , then  $s-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq 0$  and  $s-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq 0$ .

For dimension-like function  $s-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}$  this follows immediately by the fact that  $X \in \mathbb{E}$  and the class  $\mathbb{E}$  is  $\mathbb{B}$ -strong-hereditary-separated.

For dimension-like function  $s-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}$ , we have (a)  $X = \{S_i : i \in \nu\}$ , where  $S_i = X$ , (b)  $(X, X) \in \mathbb{K}$ , and (c)  $s-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) = -1 \leq 0$ , which means that  $s-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq 0$ .

**Proposition 4.4.** For every space  $X$  we have

$$s-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq s-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X). \tag{5}$$

*Proof.* Let  $s-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) = \alpha \in \{-1, \infty\} \cup \mathcal{O}$ . The inequality (5) is clear if  $\alpha = -1$  or  $\alpha = \infty$ . Suppose that  $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$ . We have  $X = \cup\{S_i : i \in \nu\}$ , where  $S_i = X$ . Since  $(S_i, X) = (X, X) \in \mathbb{K}$  and  $s-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(S_i) = s-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \alpha$ , the condition (3) of Definition 4.2 implies that  $s-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \alpha$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 4.5.** For every space  $X$ ,  $s-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \in \{-1, \infty\} \cup \tau^+$ , and, therefore  $s-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \in \{-1, \infty\} \cup \tau^+$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that the proposition is not true. Let  $\alpha$  be the minimal element of  $\mathcal{O} \setminus \tau^+$  such that there exists a space  $X$  with  $s-Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) = \alpha$ . Let  $B^X = \{U_\delta : \delta \in \tau\}$  be the  $\mathbb{B}$ -base for  $X$  mentioned in condition (2) of Definition 4.2.

Denote by  $P$  the set of all pairs  $(\delta_1, \delta_2) \in \tau \times \tau$  with

$$U_{\delta_1} \cap U_{\delta_2} = \emptyset.$$

For every  $(\delta_1, \delta_2) \in P$  let  $L(\delta_1, \delta_2)$  be a subset of  $X$  separating the sets  $U_{\delta_1}$  and  $U_{\delta_2}$  with

$$s-dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(L(\delta_1, \delta_2)) = \beta(\delta_1, \delta_2) < \alpha.$$

First we suppose that  $\beta(\delta_1, \delta_2) < \tau^+$  for every  $(\delta_1, \delta_2) \in P$ . Since  $|P| \leq \tau$  there exists an ordinal  $\beta \in \tau^+$  such that  $\beta(\delta_1, \delta_2) < \beta$  for every  $(\delta_1, \delta_2) \in P$ . Then,

$s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(L(\delta_1, \delta_2)) < \beta$  and, by condition (2) of Definition 4.2,  $s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \beta$ , which is a contradiction.

Now, we suppose that there exists  $(\delta_1, \delta_2) \in P$  such that  $\tau^+ \leq \beta(\delta_1, \delta_2)$ . Since  $s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(L(\delta_1, \delta_2)) = \beta(\delta_1, \delta_2)$ , there exist closed subsets  $S_i^{L(\delta_1, \delta_2)}$  of  $L(\delta_1, \delta_2)$ ,  $i \in \nu$ , such that:

- (a)  $L(\delta_1, \delta_2) = \cup\{S_i^{L(\delta_1, \delta_2)} : i \in \nu\}$ ,
- (b)  $(S_i^{L(\delta_1, \delta_2)}, L(\delta_1, \delta_2)) \in \mathbb{K}$ , and
- (c)  $s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(S_i^{L(\delta_1, \delta_2)}) = \beta_i \leq \beta(\delta_1, \delta_2) < \alpha$ .

If  $\beta_i < \tau^+$  for all  $i \in \nu$ , then there exists an ordinal  $\beta \in \tau^+$  such that  $\beta_i \leq \beta$ , which means that  $s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(S_i^{L(\delta_1, \delta_2)}) \leq \beta$ . Therefore,

$$s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(L(\delta_1, \delta_2)) \leq \beta < \tau^+ \leq \beta(\delta_1, \delta_2),$$

which is a contradiction. Thus, there exists  $i \in \nu$  such that

$$\tau^+ \leq s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(S_i^{L(\delta_1, \delta_2)}) < \alpha.$$

The last relation contradicts the choice of the ordinal  $\alpha$  completing the proof of the proposition.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.6.** *Let  $\mathbb{B}$  be a saturated class of bases,  $\mathbb{E}$  a saturated  $\mathbb{B}$ -strong-hereditary-separated class of spaces, and  $\mathbb{K}$  a saturated class of subsets such that  $(X, X) \in \mathbb{K}$  for every space  $X$ . Then, for every  $\kappa \in \{-1\} \cup \omega$  the classes  $\mathbb{P}(s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$  and  $\mathbb{P}(s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$  are saturated.*

*Proof.* We prove the theorem by induction on  $\kappa$ . Let  $\kappa = -1$ . Then, a space  $X$  belongs to  $\mathbb{P}(s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq -1)$  if and only if  $X$  belongs to  $\mathbb{E}$ , that is

$$\mathbb{P}(s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq -1) = \mathbb{E}.$$

Therefore,  $\mathbb{P}(s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq -1)$  is a saturated class of spaces. Similarly, the class  $\mathbb{P}(s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq -1)$  is saturated.

Let  $\kappa \in \omega$ . Suppose that the classes  $\mathbb{P}(s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq m)$  and  $\mathbb{P}(s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq m)$  are saturated,  $m \in \{-1\} \cup \kappa$ . We prove that the classes  $\mathbb{P}(s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$  and  $\mathbb{P}(s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$  are also saturated. First we prove that  $\mathbb{P}(s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$  is a saturated class.

Let  $\mathbf{S}$  be an indexed collection of elements of  $\mathbb{P}(s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$ . For every  $X \in \mathbf{S}$  let  $B^X \equiv \{V_\varepsilon^X : \varepsilon \in \tau\}$  be an indexed  $\mathbb{B}$ -base for  $X$  satisfying condition (2) of Definition 4.2. Then, there exist

- (a) an indexed set  $\{L_\eta^X : \eta \in \tau\}$  of subsets of  $X$ ,
  - (b) two indexed sets  $\{W_\eta^X : \eta \in \tau\}$  and  $\{O_\eta^X : \eta \in \tau\}$  of open subsets of  $X$ , and
  - (c) a one-to-one mapping  $\varphi$  of  $\tau \times \tau$  onto  $\tau$
- such that

(1) For every  $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 \in \tau$  and  $\eta = \varphi(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2)$  we have

$$(d) V_{\varepsilon_1}^X \subseteq W_{\eta}^X, V_{\varepsilon_2}^X \subseteq O_{\eta}^X,$$

$$(e) W_{\eta}^X \cap O_{\eta}^X = \emptyset, \text{ and}$$

$$(f) X \setminus L_{\eta}^X = W_{\eta}^X \cup O_{\eta}^X,$$

in the case, where  $V_{\varepsilon_1}^X \cap V_{\varepsilon_2}^X = \emptyset$ , and  $L_{\eta}^X = \emptyset$  in the case, where  $V_{\varepsilon_1}^X \cap V_{\varepsilon_2}^X \neq \emptyset$ .

(2) For every  $\eta \in \tau$ ,  $s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}}(L_{\eta}^X) \leq \kappa - 1$ .

For every  $\eta \in \tau$  we set

$$\mathbf{L}_{\eta} = \{L_{\eta}^X : X \in \mathbf{S}\},$$

$$\mathbf{W}_{\eta} = \{W_{\eta}^X : X \in \mathbf{S}\}, \text{ and}$$

$$\mathbf{O}_{\eta} = \{O_{\eta}^X : X \in \mathbf{S}\}.$$

By the above property (2),  $\mathbf{L}_{\eta}$  is an indexed collection of elements of the class  $\mathbb{P}_{\kappa-1} \equiv \mathbb{P}(s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa - 1)$ . By inductive assumption the class  $\mathbb{P}_{\kappa-1}$  is saturated. Therefore, there exists an initial co-mark  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{L}_{\eta}}^+$  of  $\mathbf{L}_{\eta}$  corresponding to the class  $\mathbb{P}_{\kappa-1}$ . Denote by  $\mathbf{M}_{\eta}$  a co-mark of  $\mathbf{S}$  such that its trace on  $\mathbf{L}_{\eta}$  is a co-extension of the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{L}_{\eta}}^+$ . The existence of such a co-mark is easily proved.

Consider the co-indication

$$\mathbf{N} \equiv \{\{V_{\varepsilon}^X : \varepsilon \in \tau\} : X \in \mathbf{S}\}$$

of the  $\mathbb{B}$ -co-base  $\mathbf{B} \equiv \{B^X : X \in \mathbf{S}\}$  of  $\mathbf{S}$ . Since  $\mathbb{B}$  is a saturated class of bases there exists an initial co-mark  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbb{B}}^+$  of  $\mathbf{S}$  corresponding to the co-indication  $\mathbf{N}$  of  $\mathbf{B}$  and the class  $\mathbb{B}$ . In particular,  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbb{B}}^+$  is a co-extension of  $\mathbf{N}$ .

By Lemma 2.1.2 of [2], there exists a co-mark  $\mathbf{M}^+$  of  $\mathbf{S}$ , which a co-extension of the co-marks  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbb{B}}^+$  and  $\mathbf{M}_{\eta}$  for every  $\eta \in \tau$ . In particular,  $\mathbf{M}^+$  is a co-extension of  $\mathbf{N}$ . We show that  $\mathbf{M}^+$  is an initial co-mark of  $\mathbf{S}$  corresponding to the class  $\mathbb{P}(s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E}, \nu}^{\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$ .

Indeed, let

$$\mathbf{M} \equiv \{\{U_{\delta}^X : \delta \in \tau\} : X \in \mathbf{S}\}$$

be an arbitrary co-extension of  $\mathbf{M}^+$ . Then,  $\mathbf{M}$  is a co-extension of the co-marks  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbb{B}}^+$ ,  $\mathbf{N}$ , and  $\mathbf{M}_{\eta}$  for every  $\eta \in \tau$ . Denote by  $\vartheta$  an indicial mapping from  $\mathbf{N}$  to  $\mathbf{M}$ . Then, for every  $X \in \mathbb{E}$ ,  $V_{\varepsilon}^X = U_{\vartheta(\varepsilon)}^X$ ,  $\varepsilon \in \tau$ . Obviously, the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}|_{\mathbf{L}_{\eta}}$  is a co-extension of the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{L}_{\eta}}^+$  of  $\mathbf{L}_{\eta}$ .

Let  $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbb{B}}^+$  be an initial family of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$  corresponding to the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}$ , the co-indication  $\mathbf{N}$  of  $\mathbf{B}$ , and the class  $\mathbb{B}$ . Let also  $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{L}_{\eta}}^+$  be an initial family of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{L}_{\eta}$  corresponding to the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}|_{\mathbf{L}_{\eta}}$  and the class  $\mathbb{P}_{\kappa-1}$ . Denote by  $\mathbf{R}_{\eta}$  the family of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$  such that the trace on  $\mathbf{L}_{\eta}$  of  $\mathbf{R}_{\eta}$  is the family  $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{L}_{\eta}}^+$ .

By Lemma 2.1.1 of [2], there exists an admissible family  $\mathbf{R}^+$  of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$ , which is a final refinement of the families  $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbb{B}}^+$  and  $\mathbf{R}_{\eta}$  for every

$\eta \in \tau$ . In particular,  $R^+$  is  $\mathbf{M}$ -admissible. Without loss of generality, we can suppose that  $R^+$  is  $(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{W}_\eta)$ -admissible,  $(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{O}_\eta)$ -admissible,  $(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{Co}(\mathbf{W}_\eta))$ -admissible, and  $(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{Co}(\mathbf{O}_\eta))$ -admissible. We prove that  $R^+$  is an initial family of  $\mathbf{S}$  corresponding to the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}$  of  $\mathbf{S}$  and the class  $\mathbb{P}(s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$ . For this purpose we consider an arbitrary admissible family  $R$  of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$ , which is a final refinement of  $R^+$ , and prove that for every  $\mathbf{L} \in C^\diamond(\mathbf{R})$  the space  $T(\mathbf{L})$  belongs to  $\mathbb{P}(s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$ . Let  $\mathbf{L} \in C^\diamond(\mathbf{R})$ . Since  $\mathbb{B}$  is a saturated class, we have  $(B_{\diamond,\vartheta(\tau)}^{\mathbf{L}}, T(\mathbf{L})) \in \mathbb{B}$ . We show that the base  $B_{\diamond,\vartheta(\tau)}^{\mathbf{L}}$  of  $T(\mathbf{L})$  satisfies condition (2) of Definition 4.2, that is for every  $U_{\delta_1}^T(\mathbf{H}_1)$  and  $U_{\delta_2}^T(\mathbf{H}_2)$  of  $B_{\diamond,\vartheta(\tau)}^{\mathbf{L}}$  (where  $\mathbf{H}_1, \mathbf{H}_2 \subseteq \mathbf{L}$ ), with

$$U_{\delta_1}^T(\mathbf{H}_1) \cap U_{\delta_2}^T(\mathbf{H}_2) = \emptyset \quad (5)$$

there exists a subset  $L$  of  $T(\mathbf{L})$  separating  $U_{\delta_1}^T(\mathbf{H}_1)$  and  $U_{\delta_2}^T(\mathbf{H}_2)$  such that  $s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(L) \leq \kappa - 1$ .

Consider two elements  $U_{\delta_1}^T(\mathbf{H}_1), U_{\delta_2}^T(\mathbf{H}_2)$  of  $B_{\diamond,\vartheta(\tau)}^{\mathbf{L}}$  satisfying relation (5). First we suppose that  $\mathbf{H}_1 \cap \mathbf{H}_2 = \emptyset$ . Then,

- (g)  $U_{\delta_1}^T(\mathbf{H}_1) \subseteq T(\mathbf{H}_1), U_{\delta_2}^T(\mathbf{H}_2) \subseteq T(\mathbf{L} \setminus \mathbf{H}_1)$ ,
- (h)  $T(\mathbf{H}_1) \cap T(\mathbf{L} \setminus \mathbf{H}_1) = \emptyset$ , and
- (i)  $T(\mathbf{L}) = T(\mathbf{H}_1) \cup T(\mathbf{L} \setminus \mathbf{H}_1)$ .

Therefore, the empty set separates the sets  $U_{\delta_1}^T(\mathbf{H}_1)$  and  $U_{\delta_2}^T(\mathbf{H}_2)$ . Since  $s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(\emptyset) = -1 < \kappa$ , we have  $s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(T(\mathbf{L})) \leq \kappa$ .

Now, we suppose that  $\mathbf{H}_1 \cap \mathbf{H}_2 \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H}_1 \cap \mathbf{H}_2$ ,  $\vartheta^{-1}(\delta_1) = \varepsilon_1$ ,  $\vartheta^{-1}(\delta_2) = \varepsilon_2$ , and  $\eta = \varphi(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2)$ . We prove that  $T(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{L}_\eta})$  separates the sets  $U_{\delta_1}^T(\mathbf{H}_1)$  and  $U_{\delta_2}^T(\mathbf{H}_2)$ , and  $s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(T(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{L}_\eta})) \leq \kappa - 1 < \kappa$ .

Since  $\mathbb{P}_{\kappa-1}$  is a saturated class of spaces, the subspace  $T(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{L}_\eta})$  of  $T(\mathbf{M}|_{\mathbf{L}_\eta}, \mathbf{R}|_{\mathbf{L}_\eta})$  belongs to  $\mathbb{P}_{\kappa-1}$ . Hence,

$$s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(T(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{L}_\eta})) \leq \kappa - 1 < \kappa.$$

We prove that the subset  $T(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{L}_\eta})$  of  $T(\mathbf{L})$  separates  $U_{\delta_1}^T(\mathbf{H}_1)$  and  $U_{\delta_2}^T(\mathbf{H}_2)$ . Suppose that  $X \in \mathbf{H}$ . Since the subsets  $V_{\varepsilon_1}^X$  and  $V_{\varepsilon_2}^X$  of  $X$  are disjoint, by condition (1) we have

- (k)  $V_{\varepsilon_1}^X \subseteq W_\eta^X, V_{\varepsilon_2}^X \subseteq O_\eta^X$ ,
- (l)  $W_\eta^X \cap O_\eta^X = \emptyset$ , and
- (m)  $X \setminus L_\eta^X = W_\eta^X \cup O_\eta^X$ .

The above relations imply that

- (n)  $U_{\delta_1}^T(\mathbf{H}) \subseteq T(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{W}_\eta}) = T|_{\mathbf{W}_\eta} \cap T(\mathbf{H}), U_{\delta_2}^T(\mathbf{H}) \subseteq T(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{O}_\eta}) = T|_{\mathbf{O}_\eta} \cap T(\mathbf{H})$ ,
- (o)  $T(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{W}_\eta}) \cap T(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{O}_\eta}) = \emptyset$ , and
- (p)  $T(\mathbf{H}) \setminus T(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{L}_\eta}) = T(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{W}_\eta}) \cup T(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{O}_\eta})$ .

Since the restriction  $\mathbf{W}_\eta$  of  $\mathbf{S}$  is open and the family  $R$  is  $(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{Co}(\mathbf{W}_\eta))$ -admissible, by Lemma 1.4.7 of [2], the subset  $T|_{\mathbf{W}_\eta}$  of  $T$  is open. Similarly,



the subset  $T|_{\mathbf{O}_\eta}$  of  $T$  is open. Also, since the subset  $T(\mathbf{H})$  of  $T$  is open and  $T(\mathbf{H}) \subseteq T(\mathbf{L})$ , the sets  $T(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{W}_\eta})$  and  $T(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{O}_\eta})$  are open in  $T(\mathbf{L})$ .

Setting

$$W = T(\mathbf{H}_1 \setminus \mathbf{H}) \cup T(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{W}_n}) \quad \text{and} \quad O = T(\mathbf{L} \setminus \mathbf{H}_1) \cup T(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{O}_n})$$

we have

$$(q) \quad U_{\delta_1}^T(\mathbf{H}_1) \subseteq W, \quad U_{\delta_2}^T(\mathbf{H}_2) \subseteq O,$$

$$(r) \quad W \cap O = \emptyset, \quad \text{and}$$

$$(s) \quad T(\mathbf{L}) \setminus T(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{L}_\eta}) = W \cup O.$$

Therefore, the subset  $T(\mathbf{H}|_{\mathbf{L}_\eta})$  of  $T(\mathbf{L})$  separates the sets  $U_{\delta_1}^T(\mathbf{H}_1)$  and  $U_{\delta_2}^T(\mathbf{H}_2)$ . Thus, the class  $\mathbb{P}(s\text{-Dm}_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$  is saturated.

Now, we prove that the class  $\mathbb{P}(s\text{-dm}_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$  is saturated. Let  $\mathbf{S}$  be a indexed collection of elements of  $\mathbb{P}(s\text{-dm}_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$ . For every  $X \in \mathbf{S}$  there exists an indexed set  $\{Q_i^X : i \in \nu\}$  of subsets of  $X$  such that

$$(3) \quad X = \cup\{Q_i^X : i \in \nu\}.$$

$$(4) \quad \text{For every } i \in \nu, \text{ the subset } Q_i^X \text{ of } X \text{ is closed and } (Q_i^X, X) \in \mathbb{K}.$$

$$(5) \quad \text{For every } i \in \nu, s\text{-Dm}_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(Q_i^X) \leq \kappa.$$

We set  $\mathbf{Q}_i = \{Q_i^X : X \in \mathbf{S}\}$ ,  $i \in \nu$ . By the preceding, the class  $\mathbb{P} \equiv \mathbb{P}(s\text{-Dm}_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$  is saturated. By property (5),  $\mathbf{Q}_i$  is an indexed collection of elements of the class  $\mathbb{P}$ . Therefore, there exists an initial co-mark  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{Q}_i}^+$  of  $\mathbf{Q}_i$  corresponding to the class  $\mathbb{P}$ . Denote by  $\mathbf{M}_i$  a co-mark of  $\mathbf{S}$  such that its trace on  $\mathbf{Q}_i$  is a co-extension of the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{Q}_i}^+$ .

By property (4), the restriction  $\mathbf{Q}_i$  of  $\mathbf{S}$  is a  $\mathbb{K}$ -restriction. Since  $\mathbb{K}$  is a saturated class of subsets, for every  $i \in \nu$  there exists an initial co-mark  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbb{K},i}^+$  of  $\mathbf{S}$  corresponding to the  $\mathbb{K}$ -restriction  $\mathbf{Q}_i$ .

By Lemma 2.1.2 of [2], there exists a co-mark  $\mathbf{M}^+$  of  $\mathbf{S}$ , which a co-extension of the co-marks  $\mathbf{M}_i$  and  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbb{K},i}^+$  for every  $i \in \nu$ . We show that  $\mathbf{M}^+$  is an initial co-mark of  $\mathbf{S}$  corresponding to the class  $\mathbb{P}(s\text{-dm}_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$ .

Indeed, let

$$\mathbf{M} \equiv \{\{U_\delta^X : \delta \in \tau\} : X \in \mathbf{S}\}$$

be an arbitrary co-extension of  $\mathbf{M}^+$ . Then,  $\mathbf{M}$  is a co-extension of the co-marks  $\mathbf{M}_i$  and  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbb{K},i}^+$  and the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}|_{\mathbf{Q}_i}$  is a co-extension of the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{Q}_i}^+$  of  $\mathbf{Q}_i$ ,  $i \in \nu$ .

Let  $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{Q}_i}^+$  be an initial family of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{Q}_i$  corresponding to the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}|_{\mathbf{Q}_i}$  and the class  $\mathbb{P}$ . Denote by  $\mathbf{R}_i$  the family of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$  such that the trace on  $\mathbf{Q}_i$  of  $\mathbf{R}_i$  is the family  $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{Q}_i}^+$ . Let also  $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbb{K},i}^+$  be an initial family of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$  corresponding to the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}$  and the  $\mathbb{K}$ -restriction  $\mathbf{Q}_i$ .

By Lemma 2.1.1 of [2], there exists an admissible family  $R^+$  of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$ , which is a final refinement of the families  $R_i$  and  $R_{\mathbb{K},i}^+$ ,  $i \in \nu$ . Therefore,  $R^+$  is an  $\mathbf{M}$ -admissible family.

We prove that  $R^+$  is an initial family of  $\mathbf{S}$  corresponding to the co-mark  $\mathbf{M}$  of  $\mathbf{S}$  and the class  $\mathbb{P}(s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$ . For this purpose, we consider an arbitrary admissible family  $R$  of equivalence relations on  $\mathbf{S}$ , which is a final refinement of  $R^+$ . Then,  $R$  is a final refinement of the families  $R_i$  and  $R_{\mathbb{K},i}^+$  for every  $i \in \nu$ . We need to prove that for every  $\mathbf{L} \in C^\diamond(R)$ ,  $T(\mathbf{L}) \in \mathbb{P}(s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$ . Let  $\mathbf{L} \in C^\diamond(R)$ . It suffices to show that  $T(\mathbf{L}) = \cup\{T_i(\mathbf{L}) : i \in \nu\}$  such that

- (t) the subset  $T_i(\mathbf{L})$  of  $T(\mathbf{L})$  is closed,
- (u)  $(T_i(\mathbf{L}), T(\mathbf{L})) \in \mathbb{K}$ , and
- (v)  $s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(T_i(\mathbf{L})) \leq \kappa$ ,  $i \in \nu$ .

We set  $T_i(\mathbf{L}) = T(\mathbf{L}|_{\mathbf{Q}_i})$ ,  $i \in \nu$ . It is easy to verify that the subset  $T(\mathbf{L}|_{\mathbf{Q}_i})$  of  $T(\mathbf{L})$  is closed and  $T(\mathbf{L}) = \cup\{T(\mathbf{L}|_{\mathbf{Q}_i}) : i \in \nu\}$ . Since  $\mathbb{K}$  is a saturated class of subsets,  $(T(\mathbf{L}|_{\mathbf{Q}_i}), T(\mathbf{L})) \in \mathbb{K}$ . Since  $\mathbb{P}$  is a saturated class, the subspace  $T(\mathbf{L}|_{\mathbf{Q}_i})$  of  $T(\mathbf{M}|_{\mathbf{Q}_i}, R|_{\mathbf{Q}_i})$  belongs to  $\mathbb{P}$ . Hence,  $s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(T(\mathbf{L}|_{\mathbf{Q}_i})) \leq \kappa$ .

Thus, by condition (3) of Definition 4.2,  $s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(T(\mathbf{L})) \leq \kappa$  proving that the class  $\mathbb{P}(s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$  is saturated.  $\square$

**Corollary 4.7.** *For every  $\kappa \in \omega$  in the classes*

$$\mathbb{P}(s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{P}(s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa)$$

*there exist universal elements.*

**Corollary 4.8.** *Let  $\mathbb{P}$  be one of the following classes*

- (a) *the class of all (completely) regular spaces of weight  $\leq \tau$ ,*
- (b) *the class of all (completely) regular countable-dimensional spaces of weight  $\leq \tau$ ,*
- (c) *the class of all (completely) regular strongly countable-dimensional spaces of weight  $\leq \tau$ ,*
- (d) *the class of all (completely) regular locally finite-dimensional spaces of weight  $\leq \tau$ , and*
- (e) *the class of all (completely) regular spaces  $X$  of weight  $\leq \tau$  such that  $\text{ind}(X) \leq \alpha \in \tau^+$ .*

*Then, for every  $\kappa \in \omega$  in the classes*

$$\mathbb{P}(s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa) \cap \mathbb{P} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{P}(s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}} \leq \kappa) \cap \mathbb{P}$$

*there exist universal elements.*

## 5. QUESTIONS

**Question 5.1.** *Does there exist a universal element in the class of all spaces  $X$  with  $dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \alpha$  or in the class of all spaces  $X$  with  $Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \alpha$ , where  $\alpha$  is an ordinal.*

**Question 5.2.** *Does there exist a universal element in the class of all spaces  $X$  with  $w\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \alpha$  or in the class of all spaces  $X$  with  $w\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \alpha$ , where  $\alpha$  is an ordinal.*

**Question 5.3.** *Does there exist a universal element in the class of all spaces  $X$  with  $s\text{-}dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \alpha$  or in the class of all spaces  $X$  with  $s\text{-}Dm_{\mathbb{E},\nu}^{\mathbb{K},\mathbb{B}}(X) \leq \alpha$ , where  $\alpha$  is an ordinal.*

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