



## Ideal Versions of the Bolzano-Weierstrass Property

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**Abstract.** Let  $\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}$  be ideals on  $\omega$ , we say that a space  $X$  has  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -BW property if every sequence in  $X$  contains a  $\mathcal{J}$ -converging subsequence indexed by an  $\mathcal{I}$ -positive set. This is a common generalization of BW-like properties types. By modifying some classic notions, we obtain some characterizations of  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -BW property.

### 1. Introduction

We need to recall first some necessary notions in order to formulate problems we will consider in this paper. The letter  $\omega$  denote the set of all natural numbers, an **ideal** on  $\omega$  is a family of subsets of  $\omega$  closed under taking finite unions and subsets of its elements. By  $Fin$  we denote the ideal of all finite subsets of  $\omega$ . If not explicitly said we assume that all considered ideals are proper and contain  $Fin$ .

Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an ideal on  $\omega$ , and  $X$  being a topological space. For sequence  $\langle x_n : n \in \omega \rangle$  in  $X$ , we say that  $\langle x_n : n \in \omega \rangle$  is  $\mathcal{I}$ -convergent to  $l$  if for each open neighborhood  $U$  of  $l$ ,

$$\{n : x_n \notin U\} \in \mathcal{I}.$$

The notion of  $\mathcal{I}$ -convergence is a generalization of the classical one. It was first considered by Steinhaus and Fast [3] in the case of the ideal of sets of statistical density 0:

$$\mathcal{I}_d = \{A \subset \omega : \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|A \cap n|}{n} = 0\}.$$

By an  $\mathcal{I}$ -subsequence of  $\langle x_n : n \in \omega \rangle$  we means  $\langle x_n : n \in A \rangle$  for some  $A \notin \mathcal{I}$ . Filipów, Mrozek, Reclaw and Szuca introduced the following notions ([5], Subsection 2.3):

**Definition 1.1.** Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an ideal on  $\omega$ ,  $X$  being a topological space.

- $(X, \mathcal{I})$  satisfies  $BW$  if every sequence in  $X$  has  $\mathcal{I}$ -convergent  $\mathcal{I}$ -subsequence;
- $(X, \mathcal{I})$  satisfies  $FinBW$  if every sequence in  $X$  has convergent  $\mathcal{I}$ -subsequence;

If  $([0, 1], \mathcal{I})$  satisfies  $BW$  ( $FinBW$ ), we will omit the underlying space  $[0, 1]$  and say  $\mathcal{I}$  is satisfying  $BW$  ( $FinBW$ ).

These notions involve two ideals:  $\mathcal{I}$  and  $Fin$ . We are interested in the question how about if we replace  $Fin$  by another ideal  $\mathcal{J}$ ? Here is the key definition, which is a common generalization of these types.

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**Definition 1.2.** Let  $\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}$  be ideals on  $\omega$ ,  $X$  being a topological space. We say that  $X$  has  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -BW property if every sequence in  $X$  has  $\mathcal{J}$ -convergent  $\mathcal{I}$ -subsequence.

**Remark 1.3.** It is worthy to point out that if  $\mathcal{I} \not\subseteq \mathcal{J}$ , then for arbitrary space  $X$ , it has  $(\mathcal{J}, \mathcal{I})$ -BW property. Indeed, picking  $A \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{J}$ ,  $A$  can deal with any sequence in  $X$ .

Our considerations are based on the works of Filipów-Mrożek- Reclaw-Szuca in [4], [5]. In particular, we are motivated by the following results:

\* :  $\mathcal{I}$  satisfies BW if, and only if there is no countable  $\mathcal{I}$ -splitting family.

\*\* : If  $\mathcal{I}$  is a weak Q-point, then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (1)  $\mathcal{I}$  is Ramsey;
- (2)  $\mathcal{I}$  is Mon;
- (3)  $\mathcal{I}$  is FinBW.

In Section 2, some basic notions will be introduced. In Section 3, we generalize the term \*. In particular, we show that if there is no countable  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -splitting family, then  $[0, 1]$  satisfies  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -BW, and this implies that there is no countable  $(\mathcal{J}, \mathcal{I})$ -splitting family. In Section 4, we introduce *Ramsey\**-property, *Mon\**-property for pairs  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$  and use them to characterize the  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -BW property. In addition, a slightly general  $\omega$ -diagonalizable property is introduced, and we check its relation among density, *Ramsey\** and  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -BW property in this section.

## 2. Preliminaries

Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an ideal on  $\omega$ . If  $A \notin \mathcal{I}$ , we say that  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}$ -positive. In the next, we will use the following notations:

- $\mathcal{I}^+ = \{A \subseteq \omega : A \notin \mathcal{I}\}$ ;
- $\mathcal{I}^* = \{A \subseteq \omega : \omega \setminus A \in \mathcal{I}\}$ ;
- $\mathcal{I}|A = \{I \cap A : I \in \mathcal{I}\}$ , for each  $A \in \mathcal{I}^+$ ,

### 2.1. Orderings

Let  $\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}$  be ideals on  $\omega$ . For a map  $\varphi : \omega \rightarrow \omega$ , the image of  $\mathcal{J}$  is defined by

$$\varphi(\mathcal{J}) = \{A \subseteq \omega : \varphi^{-1}(A) \in \mathcal{J}\}.$$

Clearly,  $\varphi(\mathcal{J})$  is closed under subsets and finite unions and  $\omega \notin \varphi(\mathcal{J})$ . Moreover, if  $\varphi$  is finite-to-one then  $\varphi(\mathcal{J})$  is an ideal. Let's recall the following notions:

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}$  be ideals on  $\omega$ ,

- $\mathcal{I} \leq_K \mathcal{J}$  if there is a function  $\varphi : \omega \rightarrow \omega$  such that  $\mathcal{I} \subseteq \varphi(\mathcal{J})$ , i.e,  $\varphi^{-1}(A) \in \mathcal{J}$  for any  $A \in \mathcal{I}$  [11];
- $\mathcal{I} \leq_{KB} \mathcal{J}$  if there is a finite-to-one function  $\varphi : \omega \rightarrow \omega$  such that  $\mathcal{I} \leq_K \mathcal{J}$  [11];
- $\mathcal{I} \leq_{RB} \mathcal{J}$  if there is a finite-to-one function  $\varphi : \omega \rightarrow \omega$  such that  $A \in \mathcal{I}$  if, and only if  $\varphi^{-1}(A) \in \mathcal{J}$  for every  $A \subseteq \omega$  [9];
- $\mathcal{I} \cong \mathcal{J}$  if there is a bijection  $\varphi : \omega \rightarrow \omega$  such that  $A \in \mathcal{I}$  if, and only if  $\varphi^{-1}(A) \in \mathcal{J}$  for every  $A \subseteq \omega$ .

The (pre)orderings on ideals, in some sense, are significant in describing some properties of ideals.

2.2.  $\mathcal{A}$ -dense

Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an ideal on  $\omega$ . Recall that  $\mathcal{I}$  is dense (or tall) if every infinite set  $A \subseteq \omega$  contains an infinite subset  $B$  that belongs to  $\mathcal{I}$ .

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}$  be sets of subsets of  $\omega$ . We say that  $\mathcal{B}$  is  $\mathcal{A}$ -dense if for each  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ , there exists an infinite  $B \subseteq A$  such that  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ .

Evidently,  $\mathcal{I}$  being  $[\omega]^\omega$ -dense coincides with  $\mathcal{I}$  being dense. In addition, for any ideal  $\mathcal{I}$ ,  $\mathcal{I}^+$  is  $[\omega]^\omega$ -dense if, and only if  $\mathcal{I} = \text{Fin}$ .

Lots of combinatorial properties of ideals are related to the general density above, we present here some examples.

**Example 2.3.** Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an ideal on  $\omega$  with  $\mathcal{I} \neq \text{Fin}$ . If  $\mathcal{I} \neq \text{Fin} \oplus \mathcal{P}(\omega)$ , then  $\mathcal{I}$  is  $\mathcal{I}^*$ -dense, where  $\text{Fin} \oplus \mathcal{P}(\omega)$  is an ideal on  $\{0, 1\} \times \omega$  defined by

$$\text{Fin} \oplus \mathcal{P}(\omega) = \{A \subseteq \{0, 1\} \times \omega : \{n \in \omega : (0, n) \in A\} \in \text{Fin}\}.$$

**Example 2.4.** The following notions are introduced and studied in [12]: For any ideal  $\mathcal{I}$ , put

$$H(\mathcal{I}) = \{A \subseteq \omega : \mathcal{I}|A \cong \mathcal{I}\}.$$

It is called the *homogeneous family of the ideal  $\mathcal{I}$* . An ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  is *homogeneous* if  $\mathcal{I}^+ = H(\mathcal{I})$ ;  $\mathcal{I}$  is *anti-homogeneous* if  $H(\mathcal{I}) = \mathcal{I}^*$ . These notions can be reformulated in terms of density as follows:

- (1)  $\mathcal{I}$  is homogeneous if, and only if  $H(\mathcal{I})$  is  $\mathcal{I}^+$ -dense.
- (2) If  $\mathcal{I} \neq \text{Fin} \oplus \mathcal{P}(\omega)$ , then  $\mathcal{I}$  is anti-homogeneous if, and only if  $\mathcal{I}^*$  is  $H(\mathcal{I})$ -dense

The assertion (1) is Corollary 2.2 in [12]. Both proofs rely on the simple fact that if  $\mathcal{A}$  is  $\mathcal{B}$ -dense and  $\mathcal{A}$  is closed under supersets (i.e, if  $A \subseteq B$  and  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ , then  $B \in \mathcal{A}$ ), then  $\mathcal{B} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$ .

**Remark 2.5.** Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an ideal on  $\omega$ ,

- (1)  $\mathcal{I}$  is  $\mathcal{A}$ -dense if and only if  $\forall A \in \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I}|A \neq \text{Fin}(A)$ , where  $\text{Fin}(A)$  denotes the set of all finite subsets of  $A$ .
- (2) If  $\mathcal{I}$  is dense and  $\mathcal{I} \leq_K \mathcal{J}$ , then  $\mathcal{J}$  is dense.
- (3)  $H(\mathcal{I})$  is closed under supersets ([12], Theorem 2.1).

2.3.  $Q$ -Ideal and Selectivity

Let's recall some combinatorial properties of ideals. Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an ideal on  $\omega$ ,

- $\mathcal{I}$  is local  $Q$  if for every partition  $\{A_n : n \in \omega\} \subset \text{Fin}$  of  $\omega$ , there exists  $A \in \mathcal{I}^+$  such that  $|A \cap A_n| \leq 1$  for each  $n \in \omega$ ;
- $\mathcal{I}$  is locally selective if for every partition  $\{A_n : n \in \omega\} \subset \mathcal{I}$  of  $\omega$ , there exists  $A \in \mathcal{I}^+$  such that  $|A \cap A_n| \leq 1$  for each  $n \in \omega$ .
- $\mathcal{I}$  is weak  $Q$  if for every  $A \in \mathcal{I}^+, \mathcal{I}|A$  is local  $Q$ .
- $\mathcal{I}$  is weakly selective if for every  $A \in \mathcal{I}^+, \mathcal{I}|A$  is locally selective.

### 3. $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -Splitting Family and $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -BW

Let  $\mathcal{S} \subseteq [\omega]^\omega$ , and  $\mathcal{I}$  being an ideal on  $\omega$ . Recall that a family  $\mathcal{S}$  is  $\mathcal{I}$ -splitting if for every  $A \in \mathcal{I}^+$  there exists  $S \in \mathcal{S}$  such that  $A \cap S \in \mathcal{I}^+$  and  $A \setminus S \in \mathcal{I}^+$  [5].

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}$  be ideals on  $\omega$ , and  $\mathcal{S} \subset [\omega]^\omega$ . We say that  $\mathcal{S}$  is an  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -splitting family if for every  $A \in \mathcal{I}^+$  there exists  $X \in \mathcal{S}$  such that both of  $A \cap X$  and  $A \setminus X$  belong to  $\mathcal{J}^+$ .

Evidently, when  $\mathcal{I}$  is equal to  $\mathcal{J}$ , the  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -splitting family coincides with the  $\mathcal{I}$ -splitting family mentioned above.

Let  $s(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$  be the smallest cardinality of an  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -splitting family. It is easy to see that the  $s(\text{Fin}, \text{Fin})$  is just the *splitting number*  $s$  introduced in [1], and  $s(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{I})$  is just  $s(\mathcal{I})$  defined in [4].

In terms of cardinality, the assertion \* mentioned in Section 1 can be reformulated as the follows:  $\mathcal{I}$  satisfies BW if, and only if  $s(\mathcal{I}) > \omega$ .

**Proposition 3.2.** Let  $\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}$  be ideals on  $\omega$  with  $\mathcal{I} \subseteq \mathcal{J}$ . Then  $s(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}) \geq s(\mathcal{J}, \mathcal{I})$ .

Let  $r \in \omega, s \in r^n$  and  $i \in \{0, \dots, r-1\}$ , by  $s \frown i$  we mean the sequence of length  $n+1$  (write  $lh(s) = n+1$ ) which extends  $s$  by  $i$ . If  $x \in r^\omega$  and  $n \in \omega, x|n$  denotes the initial segment  $x|n = \langle x(0), x(1), \dots, x(n-1) \rangle$ .

Now, we are in the position to introduce the main tool, which is a generalization of  $\mathcal{I}$ -small set used in [5]:

**Definition 3.3.** Let  $\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}$  be ideals on  $\omega$ .  $A \subset \omega$  is called an  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -small set if there exists  $r \in \omega$ , and exists a family  $\{A_s : s \in r^{<\omega}\}$  such that for all  $s \in r^{<\omega}$ , we have

$$S_1 \ A_\emptyset = A,$$

$$S_2 \ A_s = A_{s \frown 0} \cup \dots \cup A_{s \frown (r-1)},$$

$$S_3 \ A_{s \frown i} \cap A_{s \frown j} = \emptyset \text{ for every } i \neq j,$$

$$S_4 \ \text{for every } b \in r^\omega, \text{ every } X \subset \omega, \text{ if } X \setminus A_{b|n} \in \mathcal{I} \text{ for each } n \in \omega, \text{ then } X \in \mathcal{J}.$$

Let  $\mathcal{S}_{(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})}$  denote all  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -small sets in  $\mathcal{P}(\omega)$ . Note that  $\mathcal{S}_{(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})} \neq \emptyset$  if, and only if  $\mathcal{I} \subseteq \mathcal{J} \subseteq \mathcal{S}_{(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})}$ .

The following result can be viewed as a generalization of Proposition 2.9 in [4].

**Theorem 3.4.**  $\omega \notin \mathcal{S}_{(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})}$  if, and only if  $[0, 1]$  satisfies  $(\mathcal{J}, \mathcal{I})$ -BW.

*Proof.* Thanks to the simple fact that  $(\mathcal{J}, \mathcal{I})$ -BW property is preserved for closed subsets and continuous images,  $[0, 1]$  has  $(\mathcal{J}, \mathcal{I})$ -BW property if, and only if  $2^\omega$  has  $(\mathcal{J}, \mathcal{I})$ -BW property. Thus, we consider the Cantor space  $2^\omega$  instead of  $[0, 1]$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Assume that  $\omega \notin \mathcal{S}_{(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})}$ . For every sequence  $\langle x_n : n \in \omega \rangle$  in  $2^\omega$ , every  $s \in 2^{<\omega}$ , put

$$A_s = \{n : s \subset x_n\}.$$

Then  $\{A_s : s \in 2^{<\omega}\}$  satisfies  $S_1 - S_3$ . Since  $\omega \notin \mathcal{S}_{(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})}$ , by the condition  $S_4$ , there exists  $X \notin \mathcal{J}$  and  $b \in 2^\omega$  such that  $X \setminus A_{b|n} \in \mathcal{I}$  for each  $n \in \omega$ . Then  $\langle x_n : n \in X \rangle$  is  $\mathcal{I}$ -convergent to  $b$ .

$\Leftarrow$  For the sake of contradiction, we may suppose that  $\omega \in \mathcal{S}_{(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})}$ . So there exists  $r \in \omega, \{A_s : s \in r^{<\omega}\}$  such that the conditions  $S_1 - S_4$  are fulfilled. Note that for each  $n \in \omega$ , there is exactly one  $x_n \in 2^\omega$  such that  $n \in A_{x_n|l}$  for each  $l \in \omega$ . Then we obtain a sequence  $\langle x_n : n \in \omega \rangle$  in  $2^\omega$ . Since  $2^\omega$  satisfies  $(\mathcal{J}, \mathcal{I})$ -BW, the sequence has an  $\mathcal{I}$ -convergent  $\mathcal{J}$ -subsequence, namely, there is a  $x \in 2^\omega$  and  $X \subseteq \omega$  with  $X \in \mathcal{J}^+$  such that  $\langle x_n : n \in X \rangle$  is  $\mathcal{I}$ -convergent to  $x$ . Since for each  $l \in \omega$

$$X \setminus A_{x|l} \subseteq \{n \in X : |x - x_n| \geq \frac{1}{2^l}\} \in \mathcal{I}.$$

By the condition  $S_4$ ,  $X \in \mathcal{J}$ , but this contradicts the fact that  $X \in \mathcal{J}^+$ . Therefore, we complete the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.5.** Let  $\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}$  be ideals on  $\omega$  with  $\mathcal{J} \subseteq \mathcal{I}$ . In the following list of conditions each implies the next:

- (1)  $\mathfrak{s}(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}) > \omega$ .
- (2)  $[0, 1]$  satisfies  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -BW.
- (3)  $\mathfrak{s}(\mathcal{J}, \mathcal{I}) > \omega$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Suppose that  $[0, 1]$  does not have  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -BW. By Theorem 3.4,  $\omega$  is a  $(\mathcal{J}, \mathcal{I})$ -small set. We may assume that there exists a  $r \in \omega$ , and a family  $\{A_s : s \in r^{<\omega}\}$  such that the conditions  $S_1 - S_3$  are fulfilled. In what follows we will show that  $\{A_s : s \in r^{<\omega}\}$  is an  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -splitting family. For the sake of contradiction, suppose that there is  $X \in \mathcal{I}^+$  such that for every  $s \in r^{<\omega}$  either  $X \cap A_s \in \mathcal{J}$  or  $X \setminus A_s \in \mathcal{J}$ . Put

$$T = \{s \in r^{<\omega} : X \setminus A_s \in \mathcal{J}\}.$$

Then  $T$  is a tree on  $\{0, \dots, r - 1\}$  with finite branches for every level. In order to see that  $T$  is an infinite tree, we need the following Claim:

**Claim 3.6.** For any  $n \in \omega$ , there is  $s \in r^n$  such that  $X \setminus A_s \in \mathcal{J}$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that there exists  $n \in \omega$  such that for every  $s \in r^n$ ,  $X \setminus A_s \in \mathcal{J}^+$ , that is,  $X \cap A_s \in \mathcal{J}$  for all  $s \in r^n$ . Note that  $\omega = \bigcup_{s \in r^n} A_s$ , so

$$X = \bigcup_{s \in r^n} (X \cap A_s) \in \mathcal{J}.$$

This contradicts the assumption that for every  $s \in r^n$ ,  $X \setminus A_s \in \mathcal{J}^+$ .  $\square$

Since  $T$  is an infinite tree with finite branches, by König’s lemma, there exists  $b \in r^\omega$  such that  $X \setminus A_{b|n} \in \mathcal{J}$  for every  $n \in \omega$ . According to the fact that  $\omega$  is an  $(\mathcal{J}, \mathcal{I})$ -small set we have that  $X \in \mathcal{I}$ . Contradiction.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) Suppose that  $\mathfrak{s}(\mathcal{J}, \mathcal{I}) = \omega$ , and  $\{S_n : n \in \omega\}$  be a  $(\mathcal{J}, \mathcal{I})$ -splitting family. We will construct a family  $\{A_s : s \in 2^{<\omega}\}$  which verifies  $\omega \in \mathcal{S}_{(\mathcal{J}, \mathcal{I})}$  (this implies that  $[0, 1]$  does not have  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -BW property).

First, take  $A_\emptyset = \omega$ , and let  $n_\emptyset$  be the smallest  $n$  such that  $S_n$  splits  $\omega$ . Put

$$A_0 = A_\emptyset \cap A_{n_\emptyset}; A_1 = A_\emptyset \setminus A_{n_\emptyset}.$$

Then  $A_0 \in \mathcal{I}^+$  and  $A_1 \in \mathcal{I}^+$ .

Suppose that we have already constructed  $A_s$  for all  $s \in 2^n$ . Then for each  $s \in 2^n$ ,  $A_s \in \mathcal{I}^+$ . Let  $n_s$  be the smallest  $n$  such that  $S_n$  splits  $A_s$ . Put

$$A_{s \smallfrown 0} = A_s \cap S_{n_s}, A_{s \smallfrown 1} = A_s \setminus S_{n_s}.$$

According to the definition of  $(\mathcal{J}, \mathcal{I})$ -splitting family, both of  $A_{s \smallfrown 0}$  and  $A_{s \smallfrown 1}$  are in  $\mathcal{I}^+$ . This allows us to keep this proceed going and then we finish our construction. Clearly, the family  $\{A_s : s \in 2^{<\omega}\}$  satisfies  $S_1 - S_3$ , it is enough to show that this family also satisfies the condition  $S_4$ . For every  $b \in 2^\omega$ , every  $X \subset \omega$  with  $X \setminus A_{b|n} \in \mathcal{J}$  for every  $n \in \omega$ . Suppose that  $X \in \mathcal{I}^+$ . Let  $n_X$  be the smallest  $n$  such that  $S_n$  splits  $X$ . Since  $X \setminus A_{b|n} \in \mathcal{J}$  for every  $n \in \omega$ , so  $S_{n_X}$  splits  $A_{b|n}$  for every  $n \in \omega$ . Hence, there is  $k \leq n_X$  such that  $S_{n_{b|k}} = S_{n_X}$ . Then either  $A_{b|k+1} = A_{b|k} \cap S_{n_X}$  or  $A_{b|k+1} = A_{b|k} \setminus S_{n_X}$ . This implies that  $S_{n_X}$  does not split  $A_{b|k+1}$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore, the family  $\{A_s : s \in 2^{<\omega}\}$  also satisfies  $S_4$ .  $\square$

**Remark 3.7.** We should point out that the assumption of  $\mathcal{J} \subseteq \mathcal{I}$  in the premise is used in the implication (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3).

#### 4. Ramsey-Like and $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -BW

In this section, we give some characterizations of  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -BW in terms of *Ramsey\** property and *Mon\** property introduced below.

4.1. *Ramsey\** and *Mon\** Properties Defined via Pair of Ideals

Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an ideal on  $\omega$ ,  $r \in \omega$ , and  $c : [\omega]^2 \rightarrow \{0, \dots, r - 1\}$  being a coloring. Recall that  $A \subset \omega$  is  $\mathcal{I}$ -homogeneous for  $c$  if there is  $k \in \{0, \dots, r - 1\}$  such that for every  $a \in A$ ,

$$\{b \in A : c(\{a, b\}) \neq k\} \in \mathcal{I}.$$

**Definition 4.1.** ([4]) Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an ideal on  $\omega$ .  $\mathcal{I}$  is *Ramsey\** if for every finite coloring of  $[\omega]^2$  there exists an  $\mathcal{I}$ -homogeneous  $A \in \mathcal{I}^+$ .

**Definition 4.2.** Let  $\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}$  be ideals on  $\omega$ . We say that the pair  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$  is *Ramsey\** if for every finite coloring of  $[\omega]^2$  there exists  $A \in \mathcal{I}^+$  that is  $\mathcal{J}$ -homogeneous.

When  $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{J}$  we say that  $\mathcal{I}$  has *Ramsey\** instead of  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{I})$  having *Ramsey\**. It is not hard to see that for any ideals  $\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}$  on  $\omega$ , if  $\mathcal{I} \not\subset \mathcal{J}$ , then the pair  $(\mathcal{J}, \mathcal{I})$  is *Ramsey\**. Indeed, picking  $A \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{J}$ , we have that for every finite coloring  $c$  of  $[\omega]^2$ ,  $A$  is  $\mathcal{I}$ -homogeneous for  $c$ .

Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an ideal on  $\omega$ . Recall that a sequence  $\langle x_n : n \in A \rangle$  in  $[0, 1]$  is  $\mathcal{I}$ -increasing if for every  $N \in A$

$$\{n \in A : x_N \geq x_n\} \in \mathcal{I}.$$

Analogously, we can define  $\mathcal{I}$ -decreasing,  $\mathcal{I}$ -nonincreasing and  $\mathcal{I}$ -nondecreasing sequences. A sequence  $\langle x_n : n \in \omega \rangle$  in  $[0, 1]$  is  $\mathcal{I}$ -monotone if it is  $\mathcal{I}$ -nonincreasing or  $\mathcal{I}$ -nondecreasing.

**Definition 4.3.** ([4]) Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an ideal on  $\omega$ , we say that  $\mathcal{I}$  is *Mon\** if for every sequence  $\langle x_n : n \in \omega \rangle$  in  $[0, 1]$  there exists  $A \in \mathcal{I}^+$  such that  $\langle x_n : n \in A \rangle$  is  $\mathcal{I}$ -monotone.

**Remark 4.4.** The *Mon\** property of  $\mathcal{I}$  is a generalization of the *Mon* property which says that for every infinite sequence of real numbers there exists a monotone subsequence which is indexed by some member of  $\mathcal{I}^+$ . It has been showed that *Mon* implies *local selectivity* ([4], Lemma 3.9), but we point out that *Mon\** does not necessary imply *local selectivity*, and the ideal  $\mathcal{ED}$  is a counterexample, where

$$\mathcal{ED} = \{A \subseteq \omega \times \omega : (\exists m, n \in \omega)(\forall k \geq n)(|A_{(k)}| \leq m)\}.$$

To see this, note first that  $\mathcal{ED} \leq_K \mathcal{I}$  if and only if  $\mathcal{I}$  is not *local selective* (p. 51, [10]). On the other hand,  $\mathcal{ED}$  is an  $F_\sigma$ -ideal, and every  $F_\sigma$ -ideal satisfies *FinBW* ([5], Proposition 3.4), then  $\mathcal{ED}$  satisfies *FinBW*, which implies *Mon\** ([4], Theorem 4.3).

**Definition 4.5.** Let  $\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}$  be ideals on  $\omega$ . We say that the pair  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$  is *Mon\** if every sequence in  $[0, 1]$  contains a  $\mathcal{J}$ -monotone  $\mathcal{I}$ -subsequence. That is, for every sequence  $\langle x_n : n \in \omega \rangle$  in  $[0, 1]$ , there exists  $A \in \mathcal{I}^+$  such that  $\langle x_n : n \in A \rangle$  is  $\mathcal{J}$ -monotone.

By modifying the proof of Theorem 4.3 in [4], we get the following characterization of  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -BW.

**Theorem 4.6.** Let  $\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}$  be ideals on  $\omega$ , then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (1)  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$  is *Ramsey\**,
- (2)  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$  is *Mon\**,
- (3)  $[0, 1]$  has  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -BW.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let  $\langle x_n : n \in \omega \rangle$  be a sequence in  $[0, 1]$ , define a coloring  $c : [\omega]^2 \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  by

$$c(\{n, m\}) = 0 \text{ if } n < m \text{ and } x_n \leq x_m; c(\{n, m\}) = 1, \text{ otherwise.}$$

Since  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$  is *Ramsey\**, there exists  $A \in \mathcal{I}^+$  such that  $A$  is  $\mathcal{J}$ -homogeneous for  $c$ . So we may assume that for every  $n \in A$ ,

$$\{m : c(\{n, m\}) = 1\} \in \mathcal{J}.$$

Therefore,  $\langle x_n : n \in A \rangle$  is  $\mathcal{J}$ -increasing.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) Assume that  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$  is  $Mon^*$ . For a given sequence  $\langle x_n : n \in \omega \rangle$  in  $[0, 1]$ , there exists  $A \in \mathcal{I}^+$  such that  $\langle x_n : n \in A \rangle$  is  $\mathcal{J}$ -monotone. We may assume that  $\langle x_n : n \in A \rangle$  is  $\mathcal{J}$ -nondecreasing. Let

$$x = \sup_{n \in A} x_n.$$

For any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is  $x_N \in A$  such that  $x_N > x - \varepsilon$ . Then

$$\{n \in A : |x_n - x| \geq \varepsilon\} \subseteq \{n \in A : x_N > x_n\} \in \mathcal{J}.$$

Thus,  $\langle x_n : n \in A \rangle$  is  $\mathcal{J}$ -convergent to  $x$ .

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let  $r \in \omega$ , and  $c: [\omega]^2 \rightarrow \{0, \dots, r-1\}$  being a coloring of  $[\omega]^2$ . We shall define a family  $\{A_s : s \in r^{<\omega}\}$  that satisfies  $S_1$ - $S_3$  as follows

- $A_\emptyset = \omega$ ,
- $A_{s \smallfrown i} = \{n \in A_s : c(lh(s \smallfrown i), n) = i\}$ ,  $i \in \{0, \dots, r-1\}$ .

Note that  $[0, 1]$  has  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -BW, so  $\omega$  is not a  $(\mathcal{J}, \mathcal{I})$ -small set, this implies that there are  $x \in r^\omega$  and  $B \in \mathcal{I}^+$  such that  $B \setminus A_{x|n} \in \mathcal{J}$  for all  $n \in \omega$ . Then there exists  $i \in \{0, \dots, r-1\}$ , and  $C \subseteq B$  with  $C \in \mathcal{I}^+$  such that  $x(k-1) = i$  for every  $k \in C$ . It is not hard to see that for every  $n \in C$ ,

$$\{k \in C : c(\{n, k\}) \neq i\} \subseteq C \setminus A_{x|n} \in \mathcal{J}.$$

This implies that  $C$  is  $\mathcal{J}$ -homogeneous as desired.  $\square$

Recall that an ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  is called a  $P$ -ideal if for every countable  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{I}$ , there exists  $B \in \mathcal{I}$  such that  $A \subseteq^* B$  for each  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ . The following results are showed in [4].

**Corollary 4.7.** *Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an ideal on  $\omega$ . Then the following statements hold:*

- (1)  $[0, 1]$  has  $(\mathcal{I}, Fin)$ -BW if, and only if  $(\mathcal{I}, Fin)$  has  $Ramsy^*$ .
- (2) If  $\mathcal{I}$  is a  $P$ -ideal, then  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{I})$  has  $Ramsey^*$  if, and only if  $(\mathcal{I}, Fin)$  has  $Ramsey^*$ .

*Proof.* Assertion (1) follows by replacing  $\mathcal{J}$  by  $Fin$ . As for assertion (2), it is enough to notice that for every  $P$ -ideal  $\mathcal{I}$ ,  $(\mathcal{I}, Fin)$ -BW is equal to  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{I})$ -BW.  $\square$

#### 4.2. $Q$ -Property and Selectivity Defined via Pair of Ideals

As mentioned previously, our aim is to seek for characterizations of  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -BW, so it becomes natural to extend the notions of  $Q$ -ideal and selectivity to some general ones. In order to do so, we need the following notations:

- $Q(\mathcal{I}) = \{A \subseteq \omega : \mathcal{I}|A \text{ is a local } Q\text{-ideal}\};$
- $Se(\mathcal{I}) = \{A \subseteq \omega : \mathcal{I}|A \text{ is locally selective}\}.$

Using these notations,  $\mathcal{I}$  is *weak  $Q$*  if and only if  $Q(\mathcal{I}) = \mathcal{I}^+$ ;  $\mathcal{I}$  is *weakly selective* if and only if  $Se(\mathcal{I}) = \mathcal{I}^+$ . Now, we introduce the following definitions.

**Definition 4.8.** Let  $\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}$  be ideals on  $\omega$ , then

- $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$  is *weak  $Q$*  if  $Q(\mathcal{J}) = \mathcal{I}^+$ ;
- $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$  is *weakly selective* if  $Se(\mathcal{J}) = \mathcal{I}^+$ .

Clearly,  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$  is *weak selective*  $\Rightarrow$   $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$  is *weak  $Q$*   $\Rightarrow \mathcal{J} \subseteq \mathcal{I}$ . Moreover, we observe the following simple facts.

**Proposition 4.9.** *Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an ideal on  $\omega$  with  $\mathcal{I} \not\cong Fin \oplus \mathcal{P}(\omega)$ .*

(1) If it is locally selective, then  $I^* \subseteq Se(I)$ .

(2) If it is local Q, then  $I^* \subseteq Q(I)$ .

*Proof.* Note that  $I \cong Fin \oplus \mathcal{P}(\omega)$  implies  $I^* \subseteq H(I)$ , this is proved in Proposition 1.2 in [12]. In addition,  $H(I) \subseteq Se(I)$  if  $I$  is locally selective and  $H(I) \subseteq Q(I)$  if  $I$  is local Q. Therefore, both of (1) and (2) hold.  $\square$

**Remark 4.10.** If  $I \cong Fin \oplus \mathcal{P}(\omega)$ , then  $I^*$  does not necessary contained in  $H(I)$ . But we also have that  $I^* \subseteq Se(I)$  whenever  $I$  is locally selective: Let  $A \in I^*$ . For any separation  $\{I_n : n \in \omega\}$  of  $A$  with sets from  $I$ , then  $\{I_n : n \in \omega\} \cup \{\omega \setminus A\}$  is a partition of  $\omega$  into sets from  $I$ . So there exists  $S \in I^+$  such that  $|S \cap (\omega \setminus A)| \leq 1$  and  $|S \cap I_n| \leq 1$  for every  $n \in \omega$ . Note that  $S \cap A \in I^+$  since  $|S \cap (\omega \setminus A)| \leq 1$ , so  $S \cap A$  is a desired selector for  $\{I_n : n \in \omega\}$ .

Note that both of  $Q(I)$  and  $Se(I)$  are closed under supersets, we observe the following:

**Proposition 4.11.** *The following are hold for any ideal  $I$  on  $\omega$ :*

(1)  $I$  is weak Q if, and only if  $Q(I)$  is  $I^+$ -dense,

(2)  $I$  is weak selective if, and only if  $Se(I)$  is  $I^+$ -dense,

**Theorem 4.12.** *Let  $\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}$  be ideals on  $\omega$  such that  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$  is weak selective. For the following conditions:*

(1)  $[0, 1]$  has  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -BW;

(2) For every  $r \in \omega$ , every family  $\{A_s : s \in r^{<\omega}\}$  fulfilling conditions  $S_1$ - $S_3$ , there are  $x \in r^\omega$  and  $C \in \mathcal{J}^+$  such that  $C \subseteq^* A_{x|n}$  for each  $n \in \omega$ ;

(3)  $[0, 1]$  has  $(\mathcal{J}, \mathcal{I})$ -BW

it holds that (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3).

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Note that  $[0, 1]$  has  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -BW implies that  $\omega \notin \mathcal{S}_{(\mathcal{J}, \mathcal{I})}$ . So for every  $r \in \omega$ , every family  $\{A_s : s \in r^{<\omega}\}$  fulfilling conditions  $S_1$ - $S_3$ , there are  $x \in r^\omega$  and  $B \in \mathcal{I}^+$  such that  $B \setminus A_{x|n} \in \mathcal{J}$  for every  $n \in \omega$ . It is easy to see that

$$B \setminus A_{x|1}, B \cap (A_{x|2} \setminus A_{x|1}), \dots, B \cap (A_{x|n+1} \setminus A_{x|n}), \dots$$

is a partition of  $B$  into sets from  $\mathcal{J}$ . Note that  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$  is weak selective, so  $\mathcal{J}|B$  is locally selective. Thus, there exists  $C \subset B$  with  $C \in \mathcal{J}^+$  such that  $|C \cap B \setminus A_{x|1}| \leq 1, |C \cap B \cap (A_{x|2} \setminus A_{x|n})| \leq 1$  for every  $n \in \omega$ . It is easy to check that the set  $C$  is desired.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) It is enough to show that  $\omega$  is not an  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J})$ -small set. To this end, for every  $r \in \omega$ , for any family  $\{A_s : s \in 2^{<\omega}\}$  satisfying  $S_1$ - $S_3$ . By (2), there are  $x \in r^\omega$  and  $C \in \mathcal{J}^+$  such that for each  $n \in \omega$ ,  $C \setminus A_{x|n} \in Fin \subseteq \mathcal{I}$ .  $\square$

**Remark 4.13.** Recall that an ideal  $\mathcal{I}$  is *selective*, if for any decreasing sequence

$$F_1 \supset F_2 \supset F_3 \supset \dots$$

from  $\mathcal{I}^+$ , there exists a *diagonalization*  $F$  (i.e, for all  $i, j \in F$  with  $i < j, j \in F_i$ ). Evidently, if  $\bigcap_{n \in \omega} F_n$  is nonempty, then it is a diagonalization. If we replace ‘weak selective’ by ‘selective’ in the previous result, the set  $C$  existing in (2) can be chosen as a diagonalization of  $\langle A_{x|n} : n \in \omega \rangle$ .

**Corollary 4.14.** *Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an ideal on  $\omega$  which is weak selective. Then following conditions are equivalent:*

(1)  $[0, 1]$  has  $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{I})$ -BW;

(2) For every  $r \in \omega$ , every family  $\{A_s : s \in r^{<\omega}\}$  fulfilling conditions  $S_1$ - $S_3$ , there are  $x \in r^\omega$  and  $C \in \mathcal{I}^+$  such that  $C \subseteq^* A_{x|n}$  for each  $n \in \omega$ .

**Definition 4.15.** ([10]) Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an ideal on  $\omega$ . Recall that  $\mathcal{I}$  satisfies  $\omega \rightarrow (\omega, \mathcal{I}^+)_2^2$  if for every coloring  $c: [\omega]^2 \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  either there is an infinite 0-homogeneous set  $X$  or there is an  $\mathcal{I}$ -positive 1-homogeneous.

**Remark 4.16.** It is easy to see that both  $\omega \rightarrow (\omega, \mathcal{I}^+)_2^2$  and  $Ramsey^*$  are weaker than  $Ramsey$  property, so it is a natural question to ask what is the relation between  $\omega \rightarrow (\omega, \mathcal{I}^+)_2^2$  and  $Ramsey^*$ . Unfortunately, there is no directed relation between them. In fact,  $\mathcal{I}$  being  $Ramsey^*$  does not imply  $\omega \rightarrow (\omega, \mathcal{I}^+)_2^2$ . To see this, let's consider the ideal  $\mathcal{ED}_{fin}$ , where

$$\mathcal{ED}_{fin} = \{A \subseteq \{\langle n, m \rangle \in \omega \times \omega, m \leq n\} : (\exists m, n \in \omega)(\forall k \geq n)(|A_{(k)}| \leq m)\}.$$

It is easy to see that  $\mathcal{ED}_{fin}$  is defined as the restriction of  $\mathcal{ED}$  to  $\Delta = \{\langle n, m \rangle \in \omega \times \omega : m \leq n\}$ . Note that  $[0, 1]$  has  $(\mathcal{ED}_{fin}, \mathcal{ED}_{fin})$ -BW property since  $\mathcal{ED}_{fin}$  is an  $F_\sigma$ -ideal, so  $\mathcal{ED}_{fin}$  is  $Ramsey^*$  by Theorem 5.6. But  $\omega \not\rightarrow (\omega, \mathcal{ED}_{fin}^+)_2^2$  ([10], Lemma 2.3.8).

### 4.3. $\mathcal{A}$ -Dense and $\omega$ -Diagonalizable

Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an ideal on  $\omega$ . For a certain  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq [\omega]^\omega$ , recall that  $\mathcal{I}$  is  $\omega$ -diagonalizable by elements of  $\mathcal{A}$  if there is a sequence  $\{A_n : n \in \omega\} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  such that for every  $I \in \mathcal{I}$ , there exists  $n \in \omega$  such that  $I \cap A_n = \emptyset$ . This notion was introduced in [8] and was useful in characterizing selectivity and density of ideals (see, [13]).

**Definition 4.17.** Let  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq [\omega]^\omega$ , and  $\mathcal{I}$  being an ideal on  $\omega$ ,

- $non^*(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I}) = \min\{|\mathcal{H}| : \mathcal{H} \subseteq \mathcal{A} \wedge (\forall I \in \mathcal{I})(\exists H \in \mathcal{H})(I \cap H \text{ is finite})\}$
- $non(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I}) = \min\{|\mathcal{H}| : \mathcal{H} \subseteq \mathcal{A} \wedge (\forall I \in \mathcal{I})(\exists H \in \mathcal{H})(I \cap H = \emptyset)\}.$

It is easy to see that  $non(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I}) = \omega$  is equal to saying that  $\mathcal{I}$  is  $\omega$ -diagonalizable by elements of  $\mathcal{A}$ , and  $non^*([\omega]^\omega, \mathcal{I})$  coincides with  $non^*(\mathcal{I})$  introduced in [6] whenever  $\mathcal{I}$  is dense. In addition, if  $\mathcal{I}$  is dense, then  $non^*([\omega]^\omega, \mathcal{I})$  is equal to  $non([\omega]^\omega, \mathcal{I})$  ([10], Remark 1.3.1).

The following examples show that  $non^*(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I})$  and  $non(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I})$  are not defined for all pairs  $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I})$ . The first one is a dense ideal, and the second is not dense.

**Example 4.18.** Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be a dense  $P$ -ideal, and  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq [\omega]^\omega$  with  $|\mathcal{A}| = \omega$ . For any  $\mathcal{H} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$ , since  $\mathcal{I}$  is dense, there exists for each  $H \in \mathcal{H}$  an infinite  $A_H \subseteq H$  such that  $A_H \in \mathcal{I}$ . Since  $\mathcal{I}$  is a  $P$ -ideal, there is  $I \in \mathcal{I}$  such that  $A_H \subseteq^* I$  for all  $H \in \mathcal{H}$ . Clearly,  $I$  intersects with each member of  $\mathcal{H}$  infinitely.

**Example 4.19.** Let  $A \subseteq \omega$  be an infinite set such that  $\omega \setminus A$  is infinite. Put  $\langle A \rangle^* = \{B \subseteq \omega : B \subseteq^* A\}$ . Then  $\langle A \rangle^*$  is a  $P$ -ideal that is not dense. It is easy to see that the notion of  $non(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I})$  fails for the pair  $(\{A\}, \langle A \rangle^*)$ .

**Lemma 4.20.** Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an ideal on  $\omega$ , and  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq [\omega]^\omega$ . For the following conditions:

- (1)  $\mathcal{I}$  is not  $\mathcal{A}$ -dense;
- (2)  $non^*(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I}) = 1$ ;
- (3)  $non(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I}) = \omega$ .

(1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3).

*Proof.* (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (2) Since  $\mathcal{I}$  is not  $\mathcal{A}$ -dense, there exists  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $[A]^\omega \cap \mathcal{I} = \emptyset$ . Therefore,  $non^*(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I}) = 1$ . The converse is obvious.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) Assume that  $non^*(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I}) = 1$ , there exists  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  fulfilling this. For each  $n \in \omega$ , let

$$A_n = A \setminus \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}.$$

Then the family  $\{A_n : n \in \omega\}$  verifies  $\text{non}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I}) = \omega$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 4.21.** ([13], Proposition 3.4) *Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an ideal on  $\omega$ . Then  $\text{non}(\mathcal{I}^*, \mathcal{I}) = \omega$  if and only if  $\mathcal{I}$  is not  $\mathcal{I}^*$ -dense;*

Let  $T$  be a tree,  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\omega)$ . For each  $s \in T$ , let  $\text{succ}_T(s) = \{n > \max(s) : s \cup \{n\} \in T\}$ . Recall that a tree  $T$  is an  $\mathcal{A}$ -tree if for every  $s \in T$ ,  $\text{succ}_T(s) \in \mathcal{A}$ , where  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\omega)$ .

With the similar discussion of Remark 1.3.1 in [10], we observe that for any family  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq [\omega]^\omega$  closed under finite modifications, if  $\mathcal{I}$  is  $\mathcal{A}$ -dense then  $\text{non}^*(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I}) = \text{non}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I})$ . So, together with Proposition 3.1 in [13], we have the following.

**Proposition 4.22.** *For any ideals  $\mathcal{I}$  and  $\mathcal{J}$ , if  $\mathcal{I}$  is  $\mathcal{J}^+$ -dense, then  $\text{non}^*(\mathcal{J}^+, \mathcal{I}) = \omega$  if and only if there exists a  $\mathcal{J}^+$ -tree with all branches in  $\mathcal{I}^+$ .*

**Proposition 4.23.** *Let  $\mathcal{A} \subset [\omega]^\omega$  such that  $\mathcal{A}$  is dense. Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1)  $\text{non}^*(\mathcal{I}) = \omega$ ;
- (2)  $\text{non}^*(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I}) = \omega$ .

*Proof.* (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Together with  $\mathcal{I}$  being  $\mathcal{A}$ -dense and  $\mathcal{A}$  being dense, we have that  $\mathcal{I}$  is dense. In addition,  $\text{non}^*(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I}) = \omega$  implies that  $\mathcal{I}$  is  $\mathcal{A}$ -dense. So  $\mathcal{I}$  is dense, and so  $\omega \leq \text{non}^*(\mathcal{I}) \leq \text{non}^*(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I})$ .

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) To check the converse, assume that  $A_0, A_1, \dots, A_n, \dots$  be a countable family in  $[\omega]^\omega$  which meet that  $\text{non}^*(\mathcal{I}) = \omega$ . Since  $\mathcal{A}$  is dense, there are, for all  $n \in \omega$ ,  $B_n \subseteq A_n$  such that  $B_n \in \mathcal{A}$ . It is easy to verify that the sequence  $B_n, n \in \omega$  meet that  $\text{non}^*(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I}) = \omega$ .  $\square$

Recall that  $\mathcal{I}$  is  $h$ -Ramsey (respectively,  $h$ -Ramsey $^*$ ) if for every  $A \in \mathcal{I}^+$ ,  $\mathcal{I}|A$  is Ramsey (respectively,  $\mathcal{I}|A$  is Ramsey $^*$ )[4]

**Theorem 4.24.** *Let  $\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}$  be ideals on  $\omega$  and  $\mathcal{J}$  being a weak  $Q$ -ideals such that  $\mathcal{I} \leq_{RB} \mathcal{J}$ ,*

- (1) *If  $\mathcal{J}$  is  $h$ -Ramsey $^*$ , then  $\mathcal{I}$  is  $h$ -Ramsey $^*$ ;*
- (2) *If  $\mathcal{J}$  is  $h$ -Ramsey, then  $\mathcal{I}$  is  $h$ -Ramsey.*

*Proof.* The assertion (1) follows from the facts that  $h$ -Ramsey $^*$  is equal to  $h$ -BW property ([4], Theorem 4.3) and the  $h$ -BW property is preserved under the  $\leq_{RB}$ -order in the realm of  $Q$ -ideals ([5], Theorem 6.2).

The key in the proof of the assertion (2) is that  $\mathcal{I}$  is  $h$ -Ramsey if, and only if  $\mathcal{I}$  is  $h$ -Fin-BW and being a weak  $Q$ -ideal ([4], Theorem 3.16). So we need the following Claims:

**Claim 4.25.** *Let  $\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}$  be ideals on  $\omega$ , and  $\mathcal{J}$  being a  $Q$ -ideal. If  $\mathcal{I} \leq_{KB} \mathcal{J}$  then  $\mathcal{I}$  is also a  $Q$ -ideal.*

*Proof.* Let  $f: \omega \rightarrow \omega$  be a finite to one function meeting  $\mathcal{I} \leq_{KB} \mathcal{J}$ . Let  $\{I_n : n \in \omega\}$  be a partition of  $\omega$  into finite sets. Put  $A_n = \{f^{-1}(m) : m \in I_n\}$ . Then  $\{A_n : n \in \omega\}$  is also a partition of  $\omega$  into finite sets. It is easy to check that if  $S$  is a selector for  $\{A_n : n \in \omega\}$ , then  $f(S)$  is a selector for  $\{I_n : n \in \omega\}$ , this end the proof.  $\square$

**Claim 4.26.** *Let  $\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}$  be ideals on  $\omega$ , and  $\mathcal{J}$  being a weak  $Q$ -point. If  $\mathcal{I} \leq_{RB} \mathcal{J}$  then  $\mathcal{I}$  is also a weak  $Q$ -ideal.*

*Proof.* Assume  $f: \omega \rightarrow \omega$  witness  $\mathcal{I} \leq_{RB} \mathcal{J}$ , so for  $A \in \mathcal{I}^+$ ,  $f^{-1}(A) \in \mathcal{J}^+$ . It is easy to see that  $\mathcal{I}|A \leq_{KB} \mathcal{J}|f^{-1}(A)$ . Note that  $\mathcal{J} \leq_{KB} \mathcal{J}|f^{-1}(A)$  and  $\mathcal{J}$  is a weak  $Q$ -ideal, so is  $\mathcal{J}|f^{-1}(A)$ . By Claim 2 above we have that  $\mathcal{I}|A$  is a  $Q$ -ideal as well.  $\square$

Therefore,  $\mathcal{I}$  is a weak  $Q$ -ideal. In addition,  $\mathcal{I}$  is  $h$ -Fin-BW by Theorem 6.1 and Theorem 6.2 in [5].  $\square$

**Remark 4.27.** In Claim 2, if we replaced  $\mathcal{I} \leq_{KB} \mathcal{J}$  by  $\mathcal{I} \leq_K \mathcal{J}$ , and  $\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J}$  are Borel ideals, then  $\mathcal{J}$  being a  $Q$ -ideal also implies that  $\mathcal{I}$  is a  $Q$ -ideal. To see this, note first that for any Borel ideal  $\mathcal{I}$ ,  $\text{non}(\mathcal{I}) = \omega$  if, and only if  $\mathcal{I}$  is a  $Q$ -ideal ([13], Proposition 3.2), so it is enough to show that  $\text{non}(\mathcal{I}) = \omega$ . There are two possible cases: **Case 1**, if  $\mathcal{I}$  is not dense, then  $\text{non}(\mathcal{I}) = \omega$ ; **Case 2**, if  $\mathcal{I}$  is dense, then  $\text{non}^*(\mathcal{I}) \geq \omega$ , and  $\mathcal{J}$  is also dense since  $\mathcal{I} \leq_K \mathcal{J}$ . Since  $\mathcal{J}$  being a  $Q$ -ideal, we have that  $\text{non}^*(\mathcal{J}) = \omega$ . Moreover,  $\mathcal{I} \leq_K \mathcal{J}$  implies that  $\text{non}^*(\mathcal{I}) \leq \text{non}^*(\mathcal{J})$  ([10], Theorem 1.4.2). Thus,  $\text{non}^*(\mathcal{I}) = \omega$ .

**Definition 4.28.** ([6]) Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be a dense ideal on  $\omega$ ,  $\text{cov}^*(\mathcal{I}) = \min\{|\mathcal{A}| : \mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{I} \wedge (\forall X \in [\omega]^\omega)(\exists A \in \mathcal{A})(|A \cap X| = \omega)\}$ .

We end this section with the following result related to  $(\mathcal{I}, \text{Fin})$ -BW property, which tells us that in the realm of dense ideals,  $\text{cov}^*(\mathcal{I}) \geq \omega_1$  hold whenever  $[0, 1]$  satisfying  $(\mathcal{I}, \text{Fin})$ -BW.

**Proposition 4.29.** Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be a dense ideal on  $\omega$ . If  $\text{cov}^*(\mathcal{I}) = \omega$ , then  $[0, 1]$  does not satisfy  $(\mathcal{I}, \text{Fin})$ -BW.

*Proof.* Assume that  $\{A_n : n \in \omega\} \subseteq \mathcal{I}$  is a countable family meeting  $\text{cov}^*(\mathcal{I}) = \omega$ . Without loss of generality, we may assume that they are pairwise disjoint. Define a sequence  $\langle x_k : k \in \omega \rangle$  by

$$x_k = \frac{1}{n+1} \text{ for } k \in A_n.$$

Then  $\langle x_k : k \in \omega \rangle$  is  $\mathcal{I}$ -convergent to 0. But for any  $A \in \mathcal{I}^+$ , there exists  $n \in \omega$  such that  $|A \cap A_n| = \omega$ , so  $\langle x_k : k \in A \rangle$  cannot be convergent to 0.  $\square$

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