Even numbered problems

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N* maps onto βN; in fact βN is an absolute retract
N* maps onto (D(c) + 1)^c because N ~ ∪_n (2ⁿ)^{2ⁿ} embeds

into
$$\prod_{x \in 2^{\omega}} \left(\left(\bigcup_{n} (2^{n})^{2^{n}} \right) \cup D(2^{\omega}) \cup \{\infty\}, \tau_{x} \right)$$
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Parovicenko need not have these properties; per (3) there can even be a rigid Parovicenko space

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What are the absolute retracts of \mathbb{N}^* ? Szymanski: CH characterization. (Simon: not all compact separable subspaces using indep matrices)

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Theorem (with K.P. Hart)

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Question (Hušek, Juhasz)

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- it can not be a T-algebra and no example if CH, PFA, or iterate property K posets.
- **②** can there be a first-countable example? weight less than \mathfrak{c} ?
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- G can an example be homogeneous? (possibly trivial)
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Could there be an example where the order-type of each L_x is some ω^n ? (or bounded above in ω^{ω}).

Conjecture: ccc Souslin free iteration (splitting ω_1 sequences like producing *Q*-sets in [0, 1].

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