

FI knowledge causing conflicts in IRL relationships  
by Andy Dufresne, 2019

Proactively prepare for problems

Do I have a duty to warn people I have relationships with?

If conflicts happen I won't be very surprised, but they probably will

Even if I warn they'll probably be surprised because understanding the cause of the conflict requires understanding some FI

Warning could be pressuring

I don't know what I would gain by warning

Even if I don't have a duty, would I be better off warning?

I don't know what to do to prepare other than warn

Acts of preparation may themselves cause conflicts that otherwise wouldn't occur

Is it better to pressure than do nothing at all?

I don't think I'm good enough to effectively promote FI without pressuring

The attempt could cause worse conflicts with the IRL people than if I didn't make the attempt

I might fail

Try to convince others IRL to learn FI

Difficult but worked out OK in the end

Didn't work out for lots of people in similar situations. Maybe my success was luck.

Still some latent problems

Nothing I'm not happy to live with rather than conform

I have some history of getting through significant knowledge based conflicts while keeping IRL relationships intact

That's not what I, or they, would intuitively guess

FI may be (probably is) a larger conflict

Not applicable to all my IRL relationships

I didn't really even consider it in advance of making significant changes

I didn't let concerns about relationship conflicts stop me before

Dislike of social events

Some IRL relationships will just wither away because they're all social

In general that doesn't bother me

This will cause an indirect problem with some IRL relationships (they're upset I don't like social events so either won't go or will criticize while going)

Pressure to go + dislike + not criticize

This already exists some

Current strategies for dealing with it may stop working when dislike and criticism are stronger

FI culture and regular culture have many areas of incompatibility

I am not 100% FI culture and probably won't be for quite a while

People I have IRL relationships are not 100% regular culture

At what point do cultural problems start to become serious?

I don't have a good estimate for my, or their, distance from FI or regular culture

Will it gradually ramp up or is there a tipping point where it suddenly becomes major?

Awareness of moral flaws

Hard to see and not criticize

Some people know but would rather ignore

This relies on dishonesty, which FI conflicts with

Some people would rather not know

This relies on dishonesty, which FI conflicts with

Some people know, want to fix, but think FI is the wrong way

Some of this is mysticism, which they already know I have conflicts with

Some of this is dishonesty, which FI conflicts with