## CHAPTER V

## **CONCLUSION**

This study talks about the verbal disagreement strategies used by Greg toward his father and his future father-in-law in Meet the Focker (2004) based on Locher's theory (2004). Actually this study talks about the types of verbal disagreement strategies used by Greg toward his father and his future father-in-law and differences or similarities of the verbal disagreement strategies used by Greg toward his father and his future father-in-law.

The result of data analysis shows that toward his father, Greg uses six of eight types of verbal disagreement strategies to show his disagreement: hedges, giving personal or emotional reasons for disagreeing, shifting responsibility, stating objection in the form of question, the use of *but*, and non-mitigated disagreement. While toward his future father-in-law, Greg uses sevent of eight types of verbal disagreement strategies: hedges, giving personal or emotional reasons for disagreeing, modal auxiliaries, stating objection, the form of question, the use of but, and non-mitigated disagreement, and repeating an utterance by a next or the same speaker.

For the similarity, to both his father and his future father-in-law, he uses non-mitigated disagreement category the most than other categories of disagreement to both his father and his future father-in-law. Moreover, other categories have no significant difference in terms of the frequency of their use. Although the finding shows that there are only slight dfferences in terms of the frequency, there are

some differences between verbal disagreement strategies used by Greg toward his father and his future father-in-law. Toward his father, Greg is not afraid of using shifting responsibility but toward his future father-in-law, he never uses this category. This is probably because of the distance of Greg and his future father-in-law so that he is afraid of "blaming" or spreading responsibility with his future father-in-law. Moreover, toward his future father-in-law, he uses giving personal or emotional reasons category more than he does toward his father. It means that toward his future father-in-law, who is distant from him, Greg uses more strategies that soften FTAs.

Finally this research only analyzed the verbal disagreement strategies used by American so the writer suggests that those who are interested in this topic to do researches toward Asian, who is well-known for their indirectness. In addition, the writer suggests that those who are interested in this topic can choose objection with equal power so that the influences of social distance can be seen clearer. Moreover, this research only analyzed the verbal disagreement strategies used between male and male, so the writer also suggests that those who are interested in this topic can do researches of verbal disagreement strategies used between female and female.