

# On some topological properties of pointfree function rings

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subject to the following relations:

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- ▶  $(p, q) \vee (r, s) = (p, s)$  whenever  $p \leq r < q \leq s$
- ▶  $(p, q) = \bigvee \{(r, s) \mid p < r < s < q\}$
- ▶  $e = \bigvee \{(p, q) \mid p, q \in \mathbb{Q}\}$

# The function rings $\mathfrak{R}(L)$ and $\mathfrak{R}^*(L)$

## The pointfree counterpart to $C(X)$

For a frame  $L$ , let

$$\mathfrak{R}(L) := \mathbf{Frm}(\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}), L)$$

with the following operations on it:

- ▶ for  $\diamond \in \{+, \cdot, \vee, \wedge\}$ ,

$$(\alpha \diamond \beta)(p, q) := \bigvee \{ \alpha(r, s) \wedge \beta(t, u) \mid \langle r, s \rangle \diamond \langle t, u \rangle \subseteq \langle p, q \rangle \}$$

- ▶  $(-\alpha)(p, q) := \alpha(-q, -p)$
- ▶ for each  $r \in \mathbb{Q}$  a 0-ary operation  $\mathbf{r}$  defined by

$$\mathbf{r}(p, q) := \begin{cases} e & \text{if } p < r < q \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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$$\mathfrak{R}^*(L) := \{\alpha \in \mathfrak{R}(L) \mid |\alpha| \leq \mathbf{n}, \text{ some } n\}$$

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# Convergence everywhere for increasing/decreasing nets: spatial case

So for  $(f_\eta)_{\eta \in D}$  increasing and with  $f_\eta \leq f$  for all  $\eta \in D$ :

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$$\text{coz}(\alpha) := \alpha((-, 0) \vee (0, -))$$

is called the *cozero element* determined by  $\alpha$ .

$\text{Coz}L := \{\text{coz}(\alpha) \mid \alpha \in \mathfrak{A}(L)\}$  is called the *cozero part of  $L$* .

# The cozero part of a frame - completely regular frames

## Fact

For any frame  $L$ ,  $\text{Coz}(L)$  is a sub- $\sigma$ -frame of  $L$ .

## Definition

$L$  a frame,  $a, b \in L$ :

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- ▶  $a \prec\prec b$  ( $a$  well below  $b$ )  $\equiv$  exists  $(a_r)_{r \in \mathbb{D}}$  such that  $a_0 = a$ ,  $a_1 = b$ , and  $a_r \prec a_s$  whenever  $r < s$
- ▶  $L$  completely regular  $\equiv a = \bigvee \{x \in L \mid x \prec\prec a\}$  for all  $a \in L$

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A frame  $L$  is completely regular if and only if it is  $(\bigvee)$ -generated by  $\text{Coz}L$ .

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Thanks for your attention!