

## An Embedding Theorem for Locales

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### Abstract

If  $X$  is a topological space, the collection of sets of the form  $\{f \in C(X) : f(x) \in V\}$ , which depends on both points of  $X$  and topology of  $X$ , forms sub base for a point-open topology on  $C(X)$ , where  $C(X)$  is the collection of all continuous real-valued functions on  $X$ . This situation in the background of point free topology gives rise to new spatial locales from a given non spatial locale  $L$ . We claim that for each  $a \in L$ , the collection  $J_a = \{[a, \Sigma_b] : b \in L\}$  is a spatial locale of pseudo subframes of  $O(L)$ . Defining proper congruences on  $L$  and  $O(L)$ , we have derived an embedding theorem for locale  $L$ . Finally the collection  $B = \{J_a, a \in L\}$  forms a full subcategory of the category **Loc**. The coproduct  $J = \prod J_a$  satisfies the separation axioms subfit and normal if and only if each  $J_a$  is subfit and normal respectively.

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## 1. Introduction

Among many introductions to topology, a particular view that has arisen in Theoretical Computer Science starts with the theory of domains as defined by Scott and Strachey [8] to provide a mathematical foundation for semantics of programming languages, establishing that domains could be put into a topological setting. Mike Smyth [9] has developed the idea further. The topology describes an essential computational notion that provide them an independence from the points of topological spaces and this has led to the branch of mathematics called locale theory [7].

The work of Marshall Stone on the topological representation of Boolean algebras and distributive lattices describes that topology, in addition to geometrical inputs, has an algebraic (lattice theoretic) content. The fact that a lattice with infinite distributive property could be studied as a "generalized topological space", was seen in late fifties with the work of Charles Ehresmann [3]. Subsequently, results from topology were extended to these "generalized spaces" which were called locales by Hugh Dowker and Dona Papert Strauss. It was John Isbell [5] who proved that the product of generalized spaces were better behaved than Tychenoff product of spaces. The term frame is given to the opposite of category of locales.

If  $X$  is a topological space, the collection of sets of the form  $\{f \in C(X) : f(x) \in V\}$ , which depends on both points of  $X$  and topology of  $X$ , forms a sub base for a point-open topology on  $C(X)$ . In the context of point free topology, as a generalization we have defined the collection  $[a, \Sigma_b] = \{f \in O(L) : \Sigma_{f(a)} \subseteq \Sigma_b\}$  which are ideals in  $O(L)$ , where  $O(L)$  is the locale of order preserving maps on a given locale  $L$ . Consequently some algebraic properties of these ideals  $[a, \Sigma_b]$  have been established. For each  $a \in L$ , ideals of the form  $[a, \Sigma_b]$  generates a spatial locale  $J_a = \{[a, \Sigma_b], b \in L\}$ . Separation properties such as subfit,  $S'_2$ , regularity and normal pertaining to locale  $J_a$  have been established. Using the ideals  $[a, \Sigma_b]$ , a congruence  $\sim_a$  is defined in  $L$  and we find that  $L / \sim_a$  is isomorphic to  $J_a$ . For each  $a \in L$ , congruences  $R_a$  is defined in  $O(L)$  and it is observed that the quotient locale  $O(L) / R_a$  of  $O(L)$  is isomorphic to the quotient locale  $L / \sim_a$  of  $L$ . Using the congruences on  $L$  and  $O(L)$ , we have proved an embedding theorem for locale  $L$ . Setting the coproduct  $J = \prod J_a$ , the productive properties of  $J$  have been proved. The category  $B = \{J_a : a \in L\}$  forms a full subcategory of the category **Loc**.

Throughout this paper the lattice of open sets of a topological space  $X$  will be denoted by  $\Omega(X)$  and  $L$  is a locale.

## 2. Preliminaries

A frame (or a locale) is a complete lattice  $L$  satisfying the infinite distributivity law  $a \wedge \bigvee B = \bigvee \{a \wedge b; b \in B\}$  for all  $a \in L$  and  $B \subseteq L$  [6]. Given the frames  $L, M$ , a frame homomorphism is a map  $h: L \rightarrow M$  preserving all finite meets (including the top 1) and all joins (including the bottom 0). The category of frames is denoted by **Frm**. The opposite of category **Frm** is the category **Loc** of locales.

**Example 2.1.** The lattice of open subsets of topological space.

**Definition 2.2.** [7] A subset  $I$  of a locale  $L$  is said to be an ideal if

- i)  $I$  is a sub-join-semi lattice of  $L$ ; that is  $0 \in I$  and  $a \in I, b \in I$  implies  $a \vee b \in I$ ; and
- ii)  $I$  is a lower set; that is  $a \in I$  and  $b \leq a$  imply  $b \in I$ .

If  $a \in L$ , the set  $\downarrow(a) = \{x \in L; x \leq a\}$  is an ideal of  $L$ .  $\downarrow(a)$  is the smallest ideal containing  $a$  and is called the principal ideal generated by  $a$ .

**Definition 2.3.** [6] A subset  $F$  of locale  $L$  is said to be a filter if

- i)  $F$  is a sub-meet-semi lattice of  $L$ ; that is  $1 \in F$  and  $a \in F, b \in F$  imply  $a \wedge b \in F$ .
- ii)  $F$  is an upper set; that is  $a \in F$  and  $a \leq b$  imply  $b \in F$ .

**Definition 2.4.** [6] A filter  $F$  is proper if  $F \neq L$ , that is if  $0 \notin F$ .

A proper filter  $F$  in a locale  $L$  is prime if  $a_1 \vee a_2 \in F$  implies that  $a_1 \in F$  or  $a_2 \in F$ .

**Definition 2.5.** [6] A proper filter  $F$  in a locale  $L$  is a completely prime filter if for any  $J$  and  $a_i \in L, i \in J, \bigvee a_i \in F \Rightarrow \exists i \in J$  such that  $a_i \in F$ . Completely prime filters are denoted by c.p filters.

**Example 2.6.**  $U(x) = \{V \in \Omega(X); x \in V\}$  is a completely prime filter in the locale  $\Omega(X)$ .

For  $a \in L$ , set  $\Sigma_a = \{F \subseteq L; F \neq \phi, F \text{ is c.p filters}; a \in F\}$ . Thus we have

$$\Sigma_0 = \phi, \Sigma_{\bigvee a_i} = \bigcup \Sigma_{a_i}, \Sigma_{a \wedge b} = \Sigma_a \cap \Sigma_b$$

and

$$\Sigma_1 = \{\text{all c.p filters}\}.$$

From 1.4 Definition, if  $a \leq b$ , then  $\Sigma_a \subseteq \Sigma_b$ . But  $\Sigma_a \subseteq \Sigma_b$  need not imply  $a \leq b$ .

**Definition 2.7.** [6] The spectrum of a locale is defined as follows.

$$Sp(L) = (\{\text{all c.p filters}\}, \{\Sigma_a : a \in L\}).$$

Then  $Sp(L)$  is a topological space with the topology  $\Omega(Sp(L)) = \{\Sigma_a : a \in L\}$ .

**Definition 2.8.** [6] A locale  $L$  is said to be spatial if it is isomorphic to  $\Omega(X)$  of some topological space  $X$

As in classical topology, the point free topology have separation axioms. Subfit and fit correspond to  $T_1$  axiom of classical topology.

**Definition 2.9.** [6] A locale is said to be sub fit if for  $a, b \in L$ ,  $a \not\leq b$ , then  $\exists c$ , such that  $a \vee c = 1$  and  $b \vee c \neq 1$ .

**The rather below relation** [6] In a locale  $L$ , for  $a, b \in L$ , we say that  $a$  is rather below  $b$ , denoted by  $a < b$ , if there exist  $c \in L$  such that  $a \wedge c = 0$  and  $c \vee b = 1$ .

**Definition 2.10.** [6] A locale  $L$  is said to be regular if  $a = \bigvee \{x : x < a\}$  for every  $a \in L$ .

**Definition 2.11.** [2] A locale  $L$  is said to have  $S_2'$  property if for any  $a, b \in L$ , if  $a \vee b = 1$  with  $a \neq 1$  and  $b \neq 1$ , then there exist  $u, v$  with  $u \wedge v = 0, v \not\leq a, u \not\leq b$ .

**Definition 2.12.** [2] A locale  $L$  is called normal if it satisfies the condition: If  $a \vee b = 1$ , then there exist  $u, v$  such that  $a \vee v = 1, u \vee b = 1, u \wedge v = 0$ .

**Definition 2.13.** [6] A cover of a locale  $L$  is a subset  $A \subseteq L$  such that  $\bigvee A = 1$ .

A sub cover of a cover  $A$  is a subset  $B \subseteq A$  such that  $\bigvee B = 1$ . A locale is said to be compact if each cover has a finite sub cover.

**Definition 2.14.** [6] An element  $p \neq 1$  in a lattice  $L$  is said to be meet irreducible if for any  $a, b \in L$ ,  $a \wedge b \leq p$  implies that either  $a \leq p$  or  $b \leq p$ .

### 3. Ideals $[a, \Sigma_b]$ for $a, b \in L$

Let  $L$  be a locale and  $O(L)$  denote the collection of all order preserving maps on  $L$ . That is

$$O(L) = \{f; f : L \rightarrow L \text{ is order preserving}\}.$$

Define  $f \leq' g$  if and only if  $f(a) \leq g(a) \forall a \in L$ . Since  $f(a) \leq f(a) \forall a \in L$ , the relation  $\leq'$  is reflexive. Let  $f \leq' g$  and  $g \leq' f$ . Then  $f(a) \leq g(a)$  and  $g(a) \leq f(a) \forall a \in L$ . Thus  $f(a) = g(a), \forall a \in L$ . Hence the relation  $\leq'$  is anti symmetric. Let  $f \leq' g$  and  $g \leq' h$ . Then  $f(a) \leq g(a)$  and  $g(a) \leq h(a) \forall a \in L$ . Since the relation  $\leq$  is transitive, we have  $f(a) \leq h(a) \forall a \in L$ . Hence the relation  $\leq'$  is transitive. Then  $\leq'$  is a partial order on  $O(L)$ .

If  $\vee$  and  $\wedge$  denote the respective join and meet corresponding to  $\leq'$ , defining  $f \vee g : L \rightarrow L$  by  $(f \vee g)(a) = f(a) \vee g(a)$  and  $f \wedge g : L \rightarrow L$  by  $(f \wedge g)(a) = f(a) \wedge g(a)$ , we obtain that  $O(L)$  is a locale with bottom  $\mathbf{0}$  and top  $\mathbf{1}$ , where  $\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1} : L \rightarrow L$  are defined by  $\mathbf{0}(a)=0$  and  $\mathbf{1}(a)=1 \forall a \in L$ .

**Definition 3.1.** For each  $a, b \in L$ , define  $[a, \Sigma_b] = \{f \in O(L) : \Sigma_{f(a)} \subseteq \Sigma_b\}$ . Some simple properties of  $[a, \Sigma_b]$  have been verified in the following lemmas.

#### Lemma 3.2.

- a)  $[a, \Sigma_b]$  is an ideal.

b) If  $\Sigma_b$  is meet irreducible element of  $\Omega(Sp(L))$ , then  $[a, \Sigma_b]$  is prime ideal.

*Proof.*

a) Since  $\Sigma_{0(a)} = \Sigma_0 = \phi \subset \Sigma_b$ , we get  $\mathbf{0} \in [a, \Sigma_b]$ . Let  $f, g \in [a, \Sigma_b]$ . Then  $\Sigma_{f(a)} \subset \Sigma_b$  and  $\Sigma_{g(a)} \subset \Sigma_b$ . Hence  $\Sigma_{f(a)} \cup \Sigma_{g(a)} \subset \Sigma_b$ . That is,  $\Sigma_{f(a) \vee g(a)} \subset \Sigma_b$  which implies  $\Sigma_{(f \vee g)(a)} \subset \Sigma_b$ . Thus  $f \vee g \in [a, \Sigma_b]$ . Hence  $[a, \Sigma_b]$  is a sub-join semi lattice.

Now let  $f \in [a, \Sigma_b]$  and  $g \leq f$  in  $O(L)$ . Since  $g \leq f$ , we have  $g(a) \leq f(a)$ . Hence  $\Sigma_{g(a)} \subset \Sigma_{f(a)}$ . Thus  $\Sigma_{g(a)} \subset \Sigma_{f(a)} \subset \Sigma_b$ . That is  $\Sigma_{g(a)} \subset \Sigma_b$  which implies  $g \in [a, \Sigma_b]$ . Hence  $[a, \Sigma_b]$  is an ideal.

b) Assume  $\Sigma_b$  is a meet irreducible element of  $\Omega(Sp(L))$ . From (a),  $[a, \Sigma_b]$  is an ideal. Let  $f \wedge g \in [a, \Sigma_b]$ . Then  $\Sigma_{(f \wedge g)(a)} \subseteq \Sigma_b$ . That is  $\Sigma_{f(a)} \cap \Sigma_{g(a)} \subseteq \Sigma_b$ . Since  $\Sigma_b$  is meet irreducible, either  $\Sigma_{f(a)} \subseteq \Sigma_b$  or  $\Sigma_{g(a)} \subseteq \Sigma_b$ . Hence  $f \in [a, \Sigma_b]$  or  $g \in [a, \Sigma_b]$ . Thus  $[a, \Sigma_b]$  is a prime ideal. ■

In [7] Johnstone has defined lattice without bottom element or Top element as pseudo lattice. Using the same terminology we can define pseudo subframe as follows.

**Definition 3.3.** Pseudo subframe  $M$  of a frame  $L$  is a subset  $M$  of  $L$  which is closed under all joins and non empty finite meets so that  $\mathbf{1}_L \notin M$ .

**Proposition 3.4.**  $[a, \Sigma_b]$  is a pseudo subframe of  $O(L)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $I$  be a non empty indexed set and let  $f_i \in [a, \Sigma_b] \quad \forall i \in I$ . Then  $\Sigma_{f_i(a)} \subset \Sigma_b, \quad \forall i \in I$ . Therefore  $\bigcup \Sigma_{f_i(a)} \subset \Sigma_b$  and  $\bigcap \Sigma_{f_i(a)} \subset \Sigma_b$ . Thus  $\Sigma_{\bigvee f_i(a)} \subset \Sigma_b$  and  $\Sigma_{\bigwedge f_i(a)} \subset \Sigma_b$ . That is  $\bigvee f_i \in [a, \Sigma_b]$  and  $\bigwedge f_i \in [a, \Sigma_b]$ . Hence  $[a, \Sigma_b]$  is a complete lattice. Also  $[a, \Sigma_b]$  satisfies infinite distributive law as  $O(L)$  satisfies the same. But  $\mathbf{1} \notin [a, \Sigma_b]$  if  $b \neq 1$ . Hence  $[a, \Sigma_b]$  is a pseudo subframe of  $O(L)$  and  $[a, \Sigma_1]$  is the locale  $O(L)$ . ■

**Lemma 3.5.** If  $a_1 \leq a_2$ , then  $[a_1, \Sigma_b] \supseteq [a_2, \Sigma_b]$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $a_1 \leq a_2$ . Then  $f(a_1) \leq f(a_2) \quad \forall f \in O(L)$ .  $f \in [a_2, \Sigma_b]$  implies  $\Sigma_{f(a_2)} \subset \Sigma_b$ . Then  $\Sigma_{f(a_1)} \subset \Sigma_{f(a_2)} \subset \Sigma_b$ . Thus  $f \in [a_1, \Sigma_b]$ . Therefore  $[a_1, \Sigma_b] \supseteq [a_2, \Sigma_b]$ . ■

**Lemma 3.6.** If  $b_1 \leq b_2$ , then  $[a, \Sigma_{b_1}] \subseteq [a, \Sigma_{b_2}]$ .

*Proof.* Let  $b_1 \leq b_2$ . Then  $\Sigma_{b_1} \subset \Sigma_{b_2}$ .  $f \in [a, \Sigma_{b_1}]$  implies  $\Sigma_{f(a)} \subset \Sigma_{b_1} \subset \Sigma_{b_2}$ . Hence  $f \in [a, \Sigma_{b_2}]$ . Therefore  $[a, \Sigma_{b_1}] \subseteq [a, \Sigma_{b_2}]$ . ■

**Lemma 3.7.** If  $a \leq b$ , then  $O(L) = \bigcup_{f \in O(L)} [a, \Sigma_{f(b)}]$ .

*Proof.* If  $a \leq b$ ,  $f(a) \leq f(b)$  for all  $f \in O(L)$ . Let  $h \in O(L)$ . Then  $h(a) \leq h(b)$ . Thus  $\Sigma_{h(a)} \subseteq \Sigma_{h(b)}$  so that  $h \in [a, \Sigma_{h(b)}]$ . Therefore  $O(L) \subseteq \bigcup_{f \in O(L)} [a, \Sigma_{f(b)}]$ . Also

$$\bigcup_{f \in O(L)} [a, \Sigma_{f(b)}] \subseteq O(L). \text{ Hence } O(L) = \bigcup_{f \in O(L)} [a, \Sigma_{f(b)}]. \quad \blacksquare$$

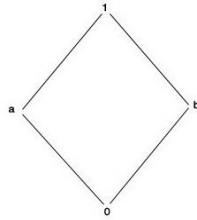
**Remark 3.8.**  $f_b$  denotes the constant function on  $L$  with the value  $b$ . That is  $f_b(x) = b \quad \forall x \in L$ .

**Lemma 3.9.** For any  $a, b, c \in L$ ,  $[a, \Sigma_b] = [a, \Sigma_c]$  if and only if  $\Sigma_b = \Sigma_c$ .

*Proof.* If  $\Sigma_b = \Sigma_c$ , then clearly  $[a, \Sigma_b] = [a, \Sigma_c]$ .

Conversely let  $[a, \Sigma_b] = [a, \Sigma_c]$ . Since  $\Sigma_{f_b(a)} \subseteq \Sigma_b$ ,  $f_b \in [a, \Sigma_b] = [a, \Sigma_c]$ . Then  $\Sigma_{f_b(a)} \subseteq \Sigma_c$ . That is  $\Sigma_b \subseteq \Sigma_c$ . In a similar manner  $\Sigma_c \subseteq \Sigma_b$ . Hence  $\Sigma_b = \Sigma_c$ .  $\blacksquare$

**Examples 3.10.** 1). Let the locale  $L$  be given as follows.



Then  $\Sigma_0 = \phi$ ,  $\Sigma_a = \{F_1\}$ ,  $\Sigma_b = \{F_2\}$ ,  $\Sigma_1 = \{F_1, F_2\}$ , where completely prime filters  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are given by  $F_1 = \{a, 1\}$ ,  $F_2 = \{b, 1\}$ . Then  $O(L) = \{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_{33}\}$ , where the order preserving maps  $f_i : L \rightarrow L$  is given by the following formulas.

$$f_1(x) = \mathbf{0}(x) = 0 \quad \forall x \in L$$

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} f_2(0) = 0 & f_3(0) = 0 & f_4(0) = 0 & f_5(0) = 0 & f_6(0) = 0 & f_7(0) = 0 \\ f_2(a) = 0 & f_3(a) = 0 & f_4(a) = 0 & f_5(a) = 0 & f_6(a) = 0 & f_7(a) = 0 \\ f_2(b) = 0 & f_3(b) = 0 & f_4(b) = 0 & f_5(b) = a & f_6(b) = a & f_7(b) = b \\ f_2(1) = a & f_3(1) = b & f_4(1) = 1 & f_5(1) = a & f_6(1) = 1 & f_7(1) = b \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} f_8(0) = 0 & f_9(0) = 0 & f_{10}(0) = 0 & f_{11}(0) = 0 & f_{12}(0) = 0 & f_{13}(0) = 0 \\ f_8(a) = 0 & f_9(a) = a & f_{10}(a) = a & f_{11}(a) = a & f_{12}(a) = a & f_{13}(a) = b \\ f_8(b) = b & f_9(b) = 0 & f_{10}(b) = a & f_{11}(b) = b & f_{12}(b) = 1 & f_{13}(b) = 0 \\ f_8(1) = 1 & f_9(1) = a & f_{10}(1) = a & f_{11}(1) = 1 & f_{12}(1) = 1 & f_{13}(1) = b \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} f_{14}(0) = 0 & f_{15}(0) = 0 & f_{16}(0) = 0 & f_{17}(0) = 0 & f_{18}(0) = 0 & f_{19}(0) = 0 \\ f_{14}(a) = b & f_{15}(a) = b & f_{16}(a) = b & f_{17}(a) = b & f_{18}(a) = b & f_{19}(a) = a \\ f_{14}(b) = 0 & f_{15}(b) = a & f_{16}(b) = b & f_{17}(b) = b & f_{18}(b) = 1 & f_{19}(b) = 0 \\ f_{14}(1) = 1 & f_{15}(1) = 1 & f_{16}(1) = b & f_{17}(1) = 1 & f_{18}(1) = 1 & f_{19}(1) = 1 \end{array}$$

$$f_{20}(0) = 0 \quad f_{21}(0) = 0 \quad f_{22}(0) = 0 \quad f_{23}(0) = a \quad f_{24}(0) = a \quad f_{25}(0) = a$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_{20}(a) = a & \quad f_{21}(a) = 1 & \quad f_{22}(a) = 1 & \quad f_{23}(a) = a & \quad f_{24}(a) = a & \quad f_{25}(a) = a \\ f_{20}(b) = a & \quad f_{21}(b) = 0 & \quad f_{22}(b) = 1 & \quad f_{23}(b) = a & \quad f_{24}(b) = a & \quad f_{25}(b) = 1 \\ f_{20}(1) = 1 & \quad f_{21}(1) = 1 & \quad f_{22}(1) = 1 & \quad f_{23}(1) = a & \quad f_{24}(1) = 1 & \quad f_{25}(1) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_{26}(0) = a & \quad f_{27}(0) = b & \quad f_{28}(0) = b & \quad f_{29}(0) = b & \quad f_{30}(0) = b \\ f_{26}(a) = 1 & \quad f_{27}(a) = b & \quad f_{28}(a) = b & \quad f_{29}(a) = b & \quad f_{30}(a) = 1 \\ f_{26}(b) = 1 & \quad f_{27}(b) = b & \quad f_{28}(b) = b & \quad f_{29}(b) = 1 & \quad f_{30}(b) = 1 \\ f_{26}(1) = 1 & \quad f_{27}(1) = b & \quad f_{28}(1) = 1 & \quad f_{29}(1) = 1 & \quad f_{30}(1) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_{31}(0) = 1 & \quad f_{32}(0) = a & \quad f_{33}(0) = b \\ f_{31}(a) = 1 & \quad f_{32}(a) = 1 & \quad f_{33}(a) = 1 \\ f_{31}(b) = 1 & \quad f_{32}(b) = a & \quad f_{33}(b) = b \\ f_{31}(1) = 1 & \quad f_{32}(1) = 1 & \quad f_{33}(1) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} [a, \Sigma_0] &= \{f \in O(L) : \Sigma_{f(a)} \subseteq \Sigma_0\} = \{f \in O(L) : \Sigma_{f(a)} = \phi\} \\ &= \{f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4, f_5, f_6, f_7, f_8\} \end{aligned}$$

$$[a, \Sigma_a] = \{f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4, f_5, f_6, f_7, f_8, f_9, f_{10}, f_{11}, f_{12}, f_{19}, f_{20}, f_{23}, f_{24}, f_{25}\}$$

$$[a, \Sigma_b] = \{f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4, f_5, f_6, f_7, f_8, f_{13}, f_{14}, f_{15}, f_{16}, f_{17}, f_{18}, f_{27}, f_{28}, f_{29}\}$$

$$[a, \Sigma_1] = [a, \Sigma_{a \vee b}] = O(L)$$

2). For non spatial example, consider  $L$  = the Boolean algebra of all regularly open subsets of the real line  $\mathbb{R}$ . Then for any regularly open subsets  $U, V$  we have

$$[U, \Sigma_V] = \{f \in O(L); \Sigma_{f(U)} \subseteq \Sigma_V\} = O(L), \text{ since } Sp(L) = \phi.$$

### 3.1. The locale $J_a, a \in L$

Fix some  $a \in L$ , and let  $J_a = \{[a, \Sigma_b] : b \in L\}$ .

Define  $[a, \Sigma_b] \wedge [a, \Sigma_c] = [a, \Sigma_{b \wedge c}]$  and  $[a, \Sigma_b] \vee [a, \Sigma_c] = [a, \Sigma_{b \vee c}]$ . Then  $(J_a, \vee)$  and  $(J_a, \wedge)$  are commutative monoids in which every element is idempotent. Also

$$[a, \Sigma_b] \vee ([a, \Sigma_b] \wedge [a, \Sigma_c]) = [a, \Sigma_b] \vee [a, \Sigma_{b \wedge c}] = [a, \Sigma_{b \vee (b \wedge c)}] = [a, \Sigma_b]$$

and

$$[a, \Sigma_b] \wedge ([a, \Sigma_b] \vee [a, \Sigma_c]) = [a, \Sigma_b] \wedge [a, \Sigma_{b \vee c}] = [a, \Sigma_{b \wedge (b \vee c)}] = [a, \Sigma_b].$$

Thus absorption laws are satisfied and hence  $J_a$  is a lattice. Since  $\bigvee a_i$ , for  $a_i \in L$  exist,  $J_a$  is a complete lattice. Again

$$\begin{aligned} [a, \Sigma_b] \wedge \bigvee [a, \Sigma_{c_i}] &= [a, \Sigma_b] \wedge [a, \Sigma_{\vee c_i}] \\ &= [a, \Sigma_{b \wedge \vee c_i}] = [a, \Sigma_{\vee b \wedge c_i}] = \bigvee [a, \Sigma_{b \wedge c_i}] \\ &= \bigvee [a, \Sigma_b] \wedge [a, \Sigma_{c_i}]. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $J_a$  satisfies infinite distributive law. Thus  $J_a$  is a locale of pseudo subframes of  $O(L)$  with top element  $[a, \Sigma_1]$  and bottom element  $[a, \Sigma_0]$ .

From example 2.9(2), we get the locale  $J_U =$  The one point locale  $O$ , for all  $U \in L$ . From example 2.9(1), we get the locales  $J_0 = \{[0, \Sigma_b] : b \in L\}$ ,  $J_a = \{[a, \Sigma_b] : b \in L\}$ ,  $J_b = \{[b, \Sigma_a] : a \in L\}$  and  $J_1 = \{[1, \Sigma_b] : b \in L\}$ .

**Proposition 3.11.** The locale  $J_a$  is compact if and only if  $\text{Sp}(L)$  is compact.

*Proof.* Assume that  $J_a$  is compact. We have to show that  $\text{Sp}(L)$  is compact. Let  $\Sigma_1 = \bigvee_{i \in I} \Sigma_{b_i}$ . Then  $\Sigma_1 = \Sigma_{\bigvee b_i}$ . Thus  $\bigvee_{i \in I} [a, \Sigma_{b_i}] = [a, \Sigma_{\bigvee b_i}] = [a, \Sigma_1]$ , using 2.8 Lemma.

Hence  $\{[a, \Sigma_{b_i}] ; i \in I\}$  is a cover for  $J_a$ . Since  $J_a$  is compact, we have  $[a, \Sigma_{b_1}] \vee [a, \Sigma_{b_2}] \vee \dots \vee [a, \Sigma_{b_n}] = [a, \Sigma_1]$  for some  $b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots, b_n \in L$ . That is  $[a, \Sigma_{b_1 \vee b_2 \vee b_3 \vee \dots \vee b_n}] = [a, \Sigma_1]$ . Then  $\Sigma_{b_1 \vee b_2 \vee b_3 \vee \dots \vee b_n} = \Sigma_1$ , using 2.8 lemma. Hence  $\text{Sp}(L)$  is compact.

Conversely assume  $\text{Sp}(L)$  is compact. Let  $\{[a, \Sigma_{b_i}] ; i \in I\}$  be a cover of  $J_a$ . That is

$$\bigvee_{i \in I} [a, \Sigma_{b_i}] = [a, \Sigma_1] \quad \text{or} \quad [a, \Sigma_{\bigvee b_i}] = [a, \Sigma_1].$$

This gives  $\Sigma_{\bigvee b_i} = \Sigma_1$ . Since  $\text{Sp}(L)$  is compact, we have  $\Sigma_1 = \Sigma_{b_1 \vee b_2 \vee \dots \vee b_n}$ . Hence  $[a, \Sigma_{b_1 \vee b_2 \vee \dots \vee b_n}] = [a, \Sigma_1]$ . Thus  $J_a$  is compact.

### 3.2 Isomorphism of $J_a$ with a quotient locale of $L$

Define a relation  $\sim_a$  on  $L$  by  $b \sim_a c$  if  $[a, \Sigma_b] = [a, \Sigma_c]$ . Since  $[a, \Sigma_b] = [a, \Sigma_b]$ , we have  $b \sim_a b$ . Thus the relation  $\sim_a$  is reflexive. The relation  $\sim_a$  is symmetric from the definition. Also  $[a, \Sigma_b] = [a, \Sigma_c]$  and  $[a, \Sigma_c] = [a, \Sigma_d]$  implies  $[a, \Sigma_b] = [a, \Sigma_d]$ . So the relation  $\sim_a$  is transitive. Thus relation  $\sim_a$  is an equivalence relation. Let  $(b, c) \in \sim_a$ . We claim that  $(b \wedge d, c \wedge d) \in \sim_a$  and  $(b \vee \bigvee S, c \vee \bigvee S) \in \sim_a$ .

$[a, \Sigma_{b \wedge d}] = [a, \Sigma_b] \wedge [a, \Sigma_d] = [a, \Sigma_c] \wedge [a, \Sigma_d] = [a, \Sigma_{c \wedge d}]$ . Hence  $(b \wedge d, c \wedge d) \in \sim_a$ . Now  $[a, \Sigma_{b \vee \bigvee S}] = [a, \Sigma_b] \vee [a, \Sigma_{\bigvee S}] = [a, \Sigma_c] \vee [a, \Sigma_{\bigvee S}] = [a, \Sigma_{c \vee \bigvee S}]$ . Hence  $(b \vee \bigvee S, c \vee \bigvee S) \in \sim_a$ . Thus  $\sim_a$  is a congruence on  $L$ . Then by [1],  $L / \sim_a$  is a locale with respect to the partial order  $[a] \leq [b]$  iff  $a \leq b$ .

Note that if  $L$  is spatial, then  $L / \sim_a = L$  for all  $a \in L$ .

Define  $\psi_a : L / \sim_a \rightarrow J_a$  by  $\psi_a([b]) = [a, \Sigma_b]$ . Then  $\psi_a([b] \wedge [c]) = \psi_a([b \wedge c]) = [a, \Sigma_{b \wedge c}] = [a, \Sigma_b] \wedge [a, \Sigma_c] = \psi_a([b]) \wedge \psi_a([c])$  and  $\psi_a(\bigvee [b_i]) = \psi_a([\bigvee b_i]) = [a, \Sigma_{\bigvee b_i}] = \bigvee [a, \Sigma_{b_i}] = \bigvee \psi_a([b_i])$ . Hence  $\psi_a$  is a frame homomorphism. Also  $\psi_a$  is one-one and onto. Thus  $\psi_a$  is an isomorphism in the category **Frm**. Since the isomorphism is a self dual property,  $\psi_a$  is an isomorphism in the category **Loc**.

### 3.3 Congruence on $O(L)$

Define a relation  $R_a$  on  $O(L)$  by  $f R_a g$  if  $\Sigma_{f(a)} = \Sigma_{g(a)}$ . Then  $R_a$  is an equivalence



relation. Suppose  $f R_a g$ . Then

$$\Sigma_{(f \wedge h)(a)} = \Sigma_{f(a) \wedge h(a)} = \Sigma_{f(a)} \bigcap \Sigma_{h(a)} = \Sigma_{g(a)} \bigcap \Sigma_{h(a)} = \Sigma_{g(a) \wedge h(a)} = \Sigma_{(g \wedge h)(a)}.$$

Thus  $f \wedge h R_a g \wedge h$ . Also

$$\Sigma_{(f \vee \bigvee f_i)(a)} = \Sigma_{f(a) \vee \Sigma \bigvee f_i(a)} = \Sigma_{g(a) \vee \Sigma \bigvee f_i(a)} = \Sigma_{g(a) \vee \bigvee f_i(a)} = \Sigma_{(g \vee \bigvee f_i)(a)}.$$

Hence  $f \vee \bigvee f_i R_a g \vee \bigvee f_i$ . Thus  $R_a$  is a congruence on  $O(L)$ .

Then by [1],  $O(L)/R_a$  is a locale with respect to the partial order  $[f] \leq [g]$  in  $O(L)/R_a$  if and only if  $f \leq g$  in  $O(L)$ .

**Example 3.12.** In example 2.9(1), we have  $O(L)/R_a = \{[f_1], [f_9], [f_{13}], [f_{21}]\}$ , where

$$[f_1] = \{f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4, f_5, f_6, f_7, f_8\}$$

$$[f_9] = \{f_9, f_{10}, f_{11}, f_{12}, f_{19}, f_{20}, f_{23}, f_{24}, f_{25}\}$$

$$[f_{13}] = \{f_{13}, f_{14}, f_{15}, f_{16}, f_{17}, f_{18}, f_{27}, f_{28}\}$$

$$[f_{21}] = \{f_{21}, f_{22}, f_{26}, f_{29}, f_{30}, f_{31}, f_{32}, f_{33}\}$$

**Lemma 3.13.** If  $(f, g) \in R_a$ , then  $(f(a), g(a)) \in \sim_a$ .

*Proof.* Let  $(f, g) \in R_a$ . Then  $\Sigma_{f(a)} = \Sigma_{g(a)}$ . By lemma 2.8  $[a, \Sigma_{f(a)}] = [a, \Sigma_{g(a)}]$ . Hence  $(f(a), g(a)) \in \sim_a$ . ■

**Proposition 3.14.** The quotient locale  $L / \sim_a$  of  $L$  is isomorphic to the quotient locale  $O(L)/R_a$  of  $O(L)$ .

*Proof.* Define the map  $\sigma : O(L)/R_a \rightarrow L / \sim_a$  by  $\sigma([f]) = [f(a)]$ . Then  $\sigma([f]) = \sigma([g])$  implies  $[f(a)] = [g(a)]$ . Hence  $[a, \Sigma_{f(a)}] = [a, \Sigma_{g(a)}]$ . Then by lemma 2.8  $\Sigma_{f(a)} = \Sigma_{g(a)}$ . Hence  $[f] = [g]$ . Thus the map  $\sigma$  is one one. Also for each  $[b] \in L / \sim_a$ ,  $\sigma([f_b]) = [f_b(a)] = [b]$ . Thus  $\sigma$  is onto. Now

$$\sigma(\bigvee [f_i]) = \sigma([\bigvee f_i]) = [(\bigvee f_i)(a)] = [\bigvee (f_i(a))] = \bigvee [f_i(a)] = \bigvee \sigma([f_i])$$

and

$$\sigma([f] \wedge [g]) = \sigma([f \wedge g]) = [(f \wedge g)(a)] = [f(a) \wedge g(a)] = [f(a)] \wedge [g(a)] = \sigma(f) \wedge \sigma(g).$$

Hence  $\sigma$  is an isomorphism in **Frm**. Since isomorphism is a self dual property, quotient locale  $L / \sim_a$  of  $L$  is isomorphic to the quotient locale  $O(L)/R_a$  of  $O(L)$ . ■

### 3.7 Embedding Theorem for locale L

The locale  $L$  can be embedded as a dense sublocale of  $O(L)$ .

*Proof.* Define  $F : L / \sim_a \rightarrow L$  by  $F([b]) = b$  and  $G : O(L) \rightarrow O(L)/R_a$  by  $G(f) = [f]$ . Then  $F$  is one one,  $G$  is onto. Consider  $F \circ \sigma \circ G : O(L) \rightarrow L$  where  $\sigma : O(L)/R_a \rightarrow L / \sim_a$  is the isomorphism in 3.6. Then for each  $b \in L$  we have  $f_b \in O(L)$  such that  $(F \circ \sigma \circ G)(f_b) = b$ . Thus the map  $F \circ \sigma \circ G$  is onto. Also

since  $F, G, \sigma$  are frame homomorphisms,  $F \circ \sigma \circ G$  is a frame homomorphism. Since  $F \circ \sigma \circ G$  is an onto frame homomorphism, its adjoint  $\delta$  is a one one localic map from  $L$  to  $O(L)$ . Since  $\mathbf{0} \in \delta(L)$ ,  $\delta(L)$  is dense in  $O(L)$ . Thus  $L$  can be embedded as a dense sublocale of  $O(L)$ .

### 3.8 Localic map from $\mathbf{Sp}(L)$ to $\mathbf{O}(L)/R_a$

Define  $\phi_a : O(L)/R_a \rightarrow Sp(L)$  by  $\phi_a([f]) = \Sigma_{f(a)}$ . Then

$$\phi_a([f] \wedge [g]) = \Sigma_{f \wedge g(a)} = \Sigma_{f(a)} \cap \Sigma_{g(a)} = \phi_a([f]) \cap \phi_a([g])$$

and

$$\phi_a(\bigvee [f]_i) = \phi_a([\bigvee f_i]) = \Sigma_{\bigvee f_i(a)} = \bigcup \Sigma_{f_i(a)}.$$

Hence  $\phi_a$  is a frame homomorphism and its adjoint  $\phi_a^*$  is a localic map from  $\mathbf{Sp}(L)$  to  $\mathbf{O}(L)/R_a$ .

**Lemma 3.15.** If  $f \in [a, \Sigma_b]$ , then  $[f] \in [a, \Sigma_b]$ .

*Proof.* Let  $f \in [a, \Sigma_b]$  and let  $g \in [f]$ . Then we have  $\Sigma_{f(a)} = \Sigma_{g(a)}$ . Since  $f \in [a, \Sigma_b]$ ,  $\Sigma_{f(a)} \subseteq \Sigma_b$ , which implies  $\Sigma_{g(a)} \subseteq \Sigma_b$ . Hence  $[f] \in [a, \Sigma_b]$ . ■

**Proposition 3.16.** The locale  $J_a$  is subfit if and only if for every  $[a, \Sigma_b]$  in  $J_a$  with  $[a, \Sigma_b] \not\subseteq [a, \Sigma_c]$ , there exists  $\Sigma_d \in Sp(L)$  such that  $[\mathbf{1}] \subseteq \phi_a^{-1}(\Sigma_b \cup \Sigma_d)$  and  $[\mathbf{1}] \not\subseteq \phi_a^{-1}(\Sigma_c \cup \Sigma_d)$ .

*Proof.* Suppose locale  $J_a$  is a subfit. Let  $[a, \Sigma_b], [a, \Sigma_c] \in J_a$  with  $[a, \Sigma_b] \not\subseteq [a, \Sigma_c]$ . Since  $J_a$  is a subfit, there exist  $[a, \Sigma_d]$  such that  $[a, \Sigma_b] \vee [a, \Sigma_d] = [a, \Sigma_1]$  and  $[a, \Sigma_c] \vee [a, \Sigma_d] \neq [a, \Sigma_1]$ . Since  $[a, \Sigma_b] \vee [a, \Sigma_d] = [a, \Sigma_1]$ , we have  $\mathbf{1} \in [a, \Sigma_{b \vee d}]$ . Then by lemma 3.9,  $[\mathbf{1}] \in [a, \Sigma_{b \vee d}]$ . Thus  $\phi_a([\mathbf{1}]) = \Sigma_{\mathbf{1}(a)} \subseteq \Sigma_{b \vee d}$ . Hence  $[\mathbf{1}] \subseteq \phi_a^{-1}(\Sigma_b \cup \Sigma_d)$ . Also, if  $[\mathbf{1}] \subseteq \phi_a^{-1}(\Sigma_c \cup \Sigma_d)$ , then  $\mathbf{1} \in [a, \Sigma_{c \vee d}]$ , a contradiction. Hence  $[\mathbf{1}] \not\subseteq \phi_a^{-1}(\Sigma_c \cup \Sigma_d)$ .

Conversely, suppose  $[a, \Sigma_b] \not\subseteq [a, \Sigma_c]$ . Then by hypothesis,  $[\mathbf{1}] \subseteq \phi_a^{-1}(\Sigma_b \cup \Sigma_d)$ . That is  $\phi_a([\mathbf{1}]) \in \Sigma_{b \vee d}$ . Thus  $\mathbf{1} \in [a, \Sigma_{b \vee d}]$  and hence  $[a, \Sigma_{b \vee d}] = [a, \Sigma_1]$ . If  $[a, \Sigma_{c \vee d}] = [a, \Sigma_1]$ , then  $[\mathbf{1}] \subseteq \phi_a^{-1}(\Sigma_c \cup \Sigma_d)$ , a contradiction. Hence  $J_a$  is subfit. ■

**Proposition 3.17.** The locale  $J_a$  has  $S_2'$  property if and only if for every  $[a, \Sigma_b] \neq [a, \Sigma_1]$ ,

$[a, \Sigma_c] \neq [a, \Sigma_1]$  in  $J_a$  with  $[a, \Sigma_{b \vee c}] = [a, \Sigma_1]$ , there exist  $\Sigma_d, \Sigma_e \in \Omega(Sp(L))$  such that  $\Sigma_e \not\subseteq \Sigma_b$ ,

$\Sigma_d \not\subseteq \Sigma_c$  and  $\phi_a([f]) \subseteq \Sigma_d \wedge \Sigma_e$  implies that  $f \in [\mathbf{0}]$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $J_a$  has  $S_2'$  property. Let  $[a, \Sigma_b] \vee [a, \Sigma_c] = [a, \Sigma_1]$ . Then there exist  $[a, \Sigma_d], [a, \Sigma_e] \in J_a$  such that  $[a, \Sigma_d] \wedge [a, \Sigma_e] = [a, \Sigma_0]$ ,  $[a, \Sigma_e] \not\subseteq [a, \Sigma_b]$  and  $[a, \Sigma_d] \not\subseteq [a, \Sigma_c]$ . Then  $\Sigma_d, \Sigma_e \in \Omega(Sp(L))$ . If  $\Sigma_e \subseteq \Sigma_b$ , then  $[a, \Sigma_e] \subseteq [a, \Sigma_b]$ , a contradiction. Hence  $\Sigma_e \not\subseteq \Sigma_b$ . Similarly we can prove that  $\Sigma_d \not\subseteq \Sigma_c$ . Let  $\phi_a([f]) \subseteq \Sigma_d \wedge \Sigma_e$

$\Sigma_d \wedge \Sigma_e$ . Then  $\Sigma_{f(a)} \subseteq \Sigma_{d \wedge e}$ . Hence  $f \in [a, \Sigma_{d \wedge e}] = [a, \Sigma_0]$ . Thus  $f \in [0]$ . Hence  $\phi_a([f]) \subseteq \Sigma_d \wedge \Sigma_e$  implies  $f \in [0]$ .

Conversely, let  $[a, \Sigma_b] \neq [a, \Sigma_1], [a, \Sigma_c] \neq [a, \Sigma_1]$  with  $[a, \Sigma_{b \vee c}] = [a, \Sigma_1]$ . Then by assumption, there exist  $\Sigma_d, \Sigma_e \in \Omega(Sp(L))$  with  $\Sigma_e \not\subseteq \Sigma_b, \Sigma_d \not\subseteq \Sigma_c$  and  $\phi_a([f]) \subseteq \Sigma_d \wedge \Sigma_e$  implying that  $f \in [0]$ . Also  $f \in [a, \Sigma_{d \wedge e}]$ , implies  $\Sigma_{f(a)} \subseteq \Sigma_{d \wedge e}$ . Hence

$$\phi_a([f]) \subseteq \Sigma_d \wedge \Sigma_e \Rightarrow f \in [0] \Rightarrow f \in [a, \Sigma_0].$$

Hence  $[a, \Sigma_d] \wedge [a, \Sigma_e] = [a, \Sigma_0]$ . Also since  $\Sigma_e \not\subseteq \Sigma_b, \Sigma_d \not\subseteq \Sigma_c, [a, \Sigma_e] \not\subseteq [a, \Sigma_b]$  and  $[a, \Sigma_d] \not\subseteq [a, \Sigma_c]$ . Thus  $J_a$  has  $S_2'$  property. ■

**Lemma 3.18.** If  $b < c$  in  $L$ , then  $[a, \Sigma_b] < [a, \Sigma_c]$  in  $J_a$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $b < c$  in  $L$ . Then there exist  $d \in L$  such that  $b \wedge d = 0$  and  $c \vee d = 1$ . We have  $[a, \Sigma_b] \wedge [a, \Sigma_d] = [a, \Sigma_{b \wedge d}] = [a, \Sigma_0]$  and  $[a, \Sigma_c] \vee [a, \Sigma_d] = [a, \Sigma_{c \vee d}] = [a, \Sigma_1]$ . Hence  $[a, \Sigma_b] < [a, \Sigma_c]$  in  $J_a$ . ■

**Proposition 3.19.** If  $L$  is a regular locale, then  $J_a$  is a regular locale.

Proof of the proposition follows from the lemma 3.12. ■

**Proposition 3.20.** Locale  $J_a$  is normal if and only if for every  $[a, \Sigma_b], [a, \Sigma_c] \in J_a$  with  $[a, \Sigma_b] \vee [a, \Sigma_c] = [a, \Sigma_1]$ , there exist  $\Sigma_u, \Sigma_v \in \Omega(Sp(L))$  such that  $[1] \in \phi_a^{-1}(\Sigma_u \cup \Sigma_b)$ ,

$$[1] \in \phi_a^{-1}(\Sigma_v \cup \Sigma_c) \text{ and } \phi_a([f]) \in \Sigma_{u \wedge v} \Rightarrow f \in [0].$$

*Proof.* Suppose  $J_a$  is normal. Let  $[a, \Sigma_b], [a, \Sigma_c] \in J_a$  with  $[a, \Sigma_b] \vee [a, \Sigma_c] = [a, \Sigma_1]$ . Since  $J_a$  is normal, there exist  $[a, \Sigma_u], [a, \Sigma_v] \in J_a$  such that

$$[a, \Sigma_b] \vee [a, \Sigma_u] = [a, \Sigma_1], [a, \Sigma_c] \vee [a, \Sigma_v] = [a, \Sigma_1]$$

and

$$[a, \Sigma_u] \wedge [a, \Sigma_v] = [a, \Sigma_0].$$

Then

$$\Sigma_u, \Sigma_v \in \Omega(Sp(L)).$$

Also

$$\phi_a([1]) = \Sigma_{1(a)} \subseteq \Sigma_b \cup \Sigma_u.$$

Hence  $[1] \in \phi_a^{-1}(\Sigma_u \cup \Sigma_b)$ . Similarly  $[1] \in \phi_a^{-1}(\Sigma_v \cup \Sigma_c)$ . Now  $\phi_a([f]) \in \Sigma_{u \wedge v}$  implies  $\Sigma_{f(a)} \subseteq \Sigma_{u \wedge v}$ . Hence  $f \in [a, \Sigma_{u \wedge v}] = [a, \Sigma_0]$ , which implies  $\Sigma_{f(a)} \subseteq \Sigma_0$ . Hence  $f \in [0]$ .

Conversely, let  $[a, \Sigma_b], [a, \Sigma_c] \in J_a$  with  $[a, \Sigma_b] \vee [a, \Sigma_c] = [a, \Sigma_1]$ . By assumption, there exist  $\Sigma_u, \Sigma_v \in \Omega(Sp(L))$  such that  $[1] \in \phi_a^{-1}(\Sigma_u \cup \Sigma_b), [1] \in \phi_a^{-1}(\Sigma_v \cup \Sigma_c)$  and  $\phi_a([f]) \in \Sigma_{u \wedge v} \Rightarrow f \in [0]$ .  $\Sigma_u, \Sigma_v \in \Omega(Sp(L))$ . Since  $\Sigma_u, \Sigma_v \in \Omega(Sp(L)), [a, \Sigma_u], [a, \Sigma_v] \in J_a$ . Also  $[1] \in \phi_a^{-1}(\Sigma_u \cup \Sigma_b)$  implies  $\phi_a([1]) = \Sigma_{1(a)} \subseteq \Sigma_u \vee \Sigma_b$ . Thus  $1 \in [a, \Sigma_{u \vee b}]$ . Hence  $[a, \Sigma_{u \vee b}] = [a, \Sigma_1]$ . Similarly we can prove that  $[a, \Sigma_{v \vee c}] =$

$[a, \Sigma_1]$ . Also  $f \in [a, \Sigma_{u \wedge v}]$  implies  $\Sigma_{f(a)} = \phi_a([f]) \subseteq \Sigma_{u \wedge v}$ . Then by assumption  $f \in [a, \Sigma_0]$ . Hence  $[a, \Sigma_{u \wedge v}] = [a, \Sigma_0]$ . ■

**Proposition 3.21.** The locale  $J_a$  is Boolean if and only if for each  $b \in L, \Sigma_b$  is a clopen subset of  $\Omega(Sp(L))$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that the locale  $J_a$  is Boolean. Let  $\Sigma_b \in \Omega(Sp(L))$ . Then  $[a, \Sigma_b] \in J_a$ . Since  $J_a$  is Boolean, there exist  $[a, \Sigma_c] \in J_a$  such that  $[a, \Sigma_b] \wedge [a, \Sigma_c] = [a, \Sigma_0]$  and  $[a, \Sigma_b] \vee [a, \Sigma_c] = [a, \Sigma_1]$ .  $[a, \Sigma_{b \wedge c}] = [a, \Sigma_0]$  implies  $\Sigma_{b \wedge c} = \Sigma_0$  by lemma 2.8. Hence  $\Sigma_b \cap \Sigma_c = \phi$ .  $[a, \Sigma_{b \vee c}] = [a, \Sigma_1]$  implies that  $\Sigma_{b \vee c} = \Sigma_1$ . Hence  $\Sigma_b \cup \Sigma_c = \Sigma_1$ . Thus  $\Sigma_c \in \Omega(Sp(L))$  is the compliment of  $\Sigma_b$ . Hence  $\Sigma_b$  is both closed and open.

Conversely assume that each  $\Sigma_b$  is clopen. Let  $[a, \Sigma_b] \in J_a$ . Then  $\Sigma_b \in \Omega(Sp(L))$ . Since  $\Sigma_b$  is clopen, we have  $\Sigma_c = (\Sigma_b)^c \in \Omega(Sp(L))$ . Then  $[a, \Sigma_c] \in J_a$ . Now

$$[a, \Sigma_b] \wedge [a, \Sigma_c] = [a, \Sigma_{b \wedge c}] = [a, \Sigma_b \cap \Sigma_c] = [a, \phi] = [a, \Sigma_0]$$

and

$$[a, \Sigma_b] \vee [a, \Sigma_c] = [a, \Sigma_{b \vee c}] = [a, \Sigma_b \cup \Sigma_c] = [a, \Sigma_1].$$

Hence the locale  $J_a$  is Boolean. ■

### 3.16 Coproduct of the locales $J_a, a \in L$

In [6], if  $L_i, i \in I$  are locales, then the cartesian product  $\prod L_i$  together with component wise ordering is a locale. Since each  $J_a, a \in L$  is a locale,  $J = \prod J_a$  is a locale together with the map  $p_a : J_a \rightarrow J, a \in L$ , defined by  $p_a([a, \Sigma_b]) = \prod [b, \Sigma_x]$  where  $[b, \Sigma_x] = [b, \Sigma_1]$  for all  $b \neq a$  and  $[a, \Sigma_x] = [a, \Sigma_b]$ . Then  $(p_a : J_a \rightarrow J)_{a \in L}$  is the coproduct of locales  $J_a$ .

**Notation** Any element of the coproduct locale  $J$  is denoted by  $\prod [a, \Sigma_{x_a}]$ , where  $[a, \Sigma_{x_a}] \in J_a$ .

**Proposition 3.22.** The locale  $J$  is subfit if and only if each  $J_a$  is a subfit.

*Proof.* Suppose that each  $J_a$  is subfit. Let  $A = \prod [a, \Sigma_{x_a}], B = \prod [a, \Sigma_{y_a}] \in J$  such that  $A \not\leq B$ . Then there exist  $d \in L$  such that  $[d, \Sigma_{x_d}] \not\leq [d, \Sigma_{y_d}]$ . Since  $J_d$  is subfit, there exist  $[d, \Sigma_z]$  such that  $[d, \Sigma_{x_d}] \vee [d, \Sigma_z] = [d, \Sigma_1]$  and  $[d, \Sigma_{y_d}] \vee [d, \Sigma_z] \neq [a, \Sigma_1]$ . Take  $C \in J$  as  $C = \prod [a, \Sigma_{z_a}]$  where  $[a, \Sigma_{z_a}] = [a, \Sigma_1]$  for  $a \neq d$  and  $[d, \Sigma_{z_d}] = [d, \Sigma_z]$ . Then we have  $A \vee C = 1_J$  and  $B \vee C \neq 1_J$ . Hence  $J$  is a subfit locale.

Conversely assume that  $J$  is a subfit locale. Let  $[a, \Sigma_b], [a, \Sigma_c] \in J_a$  with  $[a, \Sigma_b] \not\leq [a, \Sigma_c]$ . Then let  $A = \prod [b, \Sigma_{x_b}], B = \prod [b, \Sigma_{y_b}]$  where  $[b, \Sigma_{x_b}] = [b, \Sigma_1], [b, \Sigma_{y_b}] = [b, \Sigma_1]$  for  $b \neq a$  and  $[a, \Sigma_{x_a}] = [a, \Sigma_b]$  and  $[a, \Sigma_{y_a}] = [a, \Sigma_c]$ . Then  $A, B \in J$  is

such that  $A \not\leq B$ . Since  $J$  is a subfit locale there exist  $C = \prod [b, \Sigma_{z_b}] \in J$  such that  $A \vee C = 1_J$  and  $B \vee C \neq 1_J$ . Then we must have  $[a, \Sigma_b] \vee [a, \Sigma_{z_a}] = [a, \Sigma_1]$  and  $[a, \Sigma_c] \vee [a, \Sigma_{z_a}] \neq [a, \Sigma_1]$ . Thus  $J_a$  is a subfit. ■

**Proposition 3.23.** If the locale  $J$  has  $S'_2$  property, then each  $J_a, a \in L$  has  $S'_2$  property.

*Proof.* Suppose that the locale  $J$  has  $S'_2$  property. Let  $[a, \Sigma_b] \neq [a, \Sigma_1], [a, \Sigma_c] \neq [a, \Sigma_1] \in J_a$  with  $[a, \Sigma_b] \vee [a, \Sigma_c] = [a, \Sigma_1]$ . Let  $A = \prod [b, \Sigma_{x_b}], B = \prod [b, \Sigma_{y_b}]$  where  $[b, \Sigma_{x_b}] = [b, \Sigma_{y_b}] = [b, \Sigma_1]$  for  $b \neq a$  and  $[a, \Sigma_{x_a}] = [a, \Sigma_b]$  and  $[a, \Sigma_{y_a}] = [a, \Sigma_c]$ . Then we have  $A, B \neq 1_J \in J$  with  $A \vee B = 1_J$ . Since  $J$  has  $S'_2$  property, there exist  $U = \prod [b, \Sigma_{u_b}], V = \prod [b, \Sigma_{v_b}] \in J$  such that  $U \wedge V = 0_J, U \not\leq B, V \not\leq A$ . Thus  $[a, \Sigma_{v_a}] \not\leq [a, \Sigma_b], [a, \Sigma_{u_a}] \not\leq [a, \Sigma_c]$  and  $[a, \Sigma_{v_a}] \wedge [a, \Sigma_{u_a}] = [a, \Sigma_0]$ . Hence  $J_a$  has  $S'_2$  property. ■

**Proposition 3.24.** The locale  $J_a$  is normal if and only if  $J$  is normal.

*Proof.* Suppose that each  $J_a$  is normal. Let  $A = \prod [b, \Sigma_{x_b}], B = \prod [b, \Sigma_{y_b}] \in J$  such that  $A \vee B = 1_J$ . Then  $[a, \Sigma_{x_a}], [a, \Sigma_{y_a}] \in J_a$  with  $[a, \Sigma_{x_a}] \vee [a, \Sigma_{y_a}] = [a, \Sigma_1]$  for all  $a \in L$ . Since  $J_a$  is normal, there exist  $[a, \Sigma_{u_a}], [a, \Sigma_{v_a}] \in J_a$  such that

$$[a, \Sigma_{x_a}] \vee [a, \Sigma_{v_a}] = [a, \Sigma_1], [a, \Sigma_{y_a}] \vee [a, \Sigma_{u_a}] = [a, \Sigma_1], [a, \Sigma_{v_a}] \wedge [a, \Sigma_{u_a}] = [a, \Sigma_0].$$

Let  $U = \prod [b, \Sigma_{u_b}], V = \prod [b, \Sigma_{v_b}]$ . Then  $U, V \in J$  such that  $A \vee V = 1_J, B \vee U = 1_J, U \wedge V = 0_J$ . Hence  $J$  is normal.

Conversely assume that  $J$  is normal. Let  $[a, \Sigma_b], [a, \Sigma_c] \in J_a$  with  $[a, \Sigma_b] \vee [a, \Sigma_c] = [a, \Sigma_1]$ . Consider  $A = \prod [b, \Sigma_{x_b}], B = \prod [b, \Sigma_{y_b}]$  where  $[b, \Sigma_{x_b}] = [b, \Sigma_{y_b}] = [b, \Sigma_1]$  for  $b \neq a$  and

$$[a, \Sigma_{x_a}] = [a, \Sigma_b], [a, \Sigma_{y_a}] = [a, \Sigma_c].$$

Then  $A, B \in J$  with  $A \vee B = 1_J$ . Since  $J$  is normal, there exist  $U = \prod [b, \Sigma_{u_b}], V = \prod [b, \Sigma_{v_b}]$  such that  $A \vee V = 1_J, B \vee U = 1_J, U \wedge V = 0_J$ . Then  $[a, \Sigma_b] \vee [a, \Sigma_{v_a}] = [a, \Sigma_1], [a, \Sigma_c] \vee [a, \Sigma_{u_a}] = [a, \Sigma_1]$ , and  $[a, \Sigma_{v_a}] \wedge [a, \Sigma_{u_a}] = [a, \Sigma_0]$ . Hence  $J_a$  is normal. ■

**Proposition 3.25.** The subset  $Y = \{\prod [a, \Sigma_b] : a \in L, [a, \Sigma_b] = [a, \Sigma_1] \text{ except for finitely many values of } a\}$  of  $J$  is compact if each  $J_a$  is compact.

*Proof.* Suppose each  $J_a$  is compact. Let  $U = \{\prod [x, \Sigma_{y_i}], i \in I\}$  be a cover of  $Y$ . Then,  $[x, \Sigma_{y_i}] = [x, \Sigma_1]$  except for finitely many values of  $x$  say  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$ . Since  $U$  covers  $Y$ , we have  $\vee U = 1_Y$ . Thus  $\cup [x_j, \Sigma_{y_i}] = [x_j, \Sigma_1]$  for  $j=1,2,\dots,n$ . Since each  $J_{x_j}$  is compact there exist a finite sub cover for the cover  $\{[x_j, y_i]\}_{j=1,2,\dots,n}$ . Then it follows  $U$  has a finite sub cover. Hence  $Y$  is compact. ■

## 4. Conclusion

New spatial locales  $J_a, a \in L$  have been constructed from the locale  $O(L)$  of order preserving maps on the locale  $L$ . Specific congruences  $\sim_a$  on  $L$  have been defined using the ideal  $[a, \Sigma_b]$  of  $O(L)$ . It is observed that the quotient locale  $L / \sim_a$  is isomorphic to  $J_a$  for each  $a \in L$ . Also the category  $B = \{J_a : a \in L\}$  forms the full subcategory of the category **Loc**. The coproduct  $J$  constructed using the locales  $J_a, a \in L$ , satisfies the separation axioms for locales such as subfit and normal if and only if each  $J_a$  is subfit and normal respectively.

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