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## **ON** $\delta$ -**FRAMES**

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we introduce a new class of  $\delta$ -frames and study its properties. To do so, we introduce  $\delta$ -filters, almost Lindelöf frames and Lindelöf frames. First, we show that a complete chain or a complete Boolean algebra is a  $\delta$ -frame. Next, we show that a  $\delta$ -frame L is almost Lindelöf iff for any  $\delta$ -filter F in L,  $\vee \{x^* : x \in F\} \neq e$ . Last, we show that every regular Lindelöf  $\delta$ -frame is normal and a Lindelöf  $\delta$ -frame is preserved under a  $\delta$ -isomorphism which is dense and codense.

## 1. Introduction

It is well known that the open set lattice  $\Omega(X) = \{G : G \text{ is an open subset of } X\}$ , where X is a topological space, is a frame([7]). In  $\Omega(X)$ , there is no point of X but open sets, so we call the frame  $\Omega(X)$  a pointfree topology. The purpose to write this paper is to introduce another class of frames, namely  $\delta$ -frames, which is a special type of a frame, and study its basic properties. In section 2, 3, we deal with  $\delta$ -frames, as Lindelöf spaces to compact spaces, instead of frames. We introduce a concept of  $\delta$ -frames in which the distributivity holds for arbitrary joins and countable meets. In general,  $\Omega(X)$  is a frame but not a  $\delta$ -frame. But a complete chain or a Boolean algebra is a  $\delta$ -frame. In a frame L, cov(L) is a filter but need not be a  $\delta$ -filter. But in a  $\delta$ -frame L, cov(L) is a  $\delta$ -filter. We define  $\delta$ -homomorphism and  $\delta$ -isomorphism, and using these concepts, we show that a Lindelöf  $\delta$ -frame is preserved under a  $\delta$ -isomorphism which is dense and codense.

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In this paper, a partially ordered set is also called a poset. The usual order relation  $\leq$  on the set R of real numbers is a partial order. It is the model of partial orders and thus it is customary to denote any partial order on any set by  $\leq$ . In this paper,  $\geq$  is defined by  $a \geq b$ iff  $b \le a$ ; < is defined by a < b iff  $a \le b$  and  $a \ne b$ . If  $\le$  is a partial order on L, the smallest (largest, resp.) element of L, if it exists, is the element 0 (e, resp.) such that  $0 \le x$  ( $x \le e$ , resp.) for each  $x \in L$ . Smallest (largest, resp.) elements are unique when they exist, by antisymmetry. We call 0 (e, resp.) as the bottom (top, resp.) element of L. Given a poset  $(L, \leq)$  and a subset A of L, A is called bounded above (bounded below, resp.) if the set  $\{x \in L : a \leq x \text{ for each } a \in A\}$ of upper bounds of A (the set  $\{x \in L : x \leq a \text{ for each } a \in A\}$  of lower bounds of A, resp.) is non-empty; the least upper bound of A (written lub(A) or  $\lor A$ ) is the smallest element of the set of upper bounds of A. It may or may not belong to A. When it exists, it is unique. The greatest lower bound of A (written glb(A) or  $\wedge A$ ) is similarly defined. If  $A = \{x, y\}$ , then lub(A) is denoted by  $x \lor y$  and glb(A) is denoted by  $x \wedge y$ . If  $(L, \leq)$  has both the top element e and the bottom element 0, then  $lub(\emptyset) = 0$  and  $glb(\emptyset) = e$ . From now on, we denote a poset  $(L, \leq)$  simply as L.

DEFINITION 1.1.

- (1) A poset L is called a *lattice* if every finite subset of L has a least upper bound and a greatest lower bound.
- (2) A lattice L is called *complete* if every subset A of L has the least upper bound and the greatest lower bound.

PROPOSITION 1.2. Let L be a lattice. Then the followings are equivalent:

- (1) Every subset of L has the least upper bound.
- (2) Every subset of L has the greatest lower bound.

*Proof.* See reference [1], [2], [7].

DEFINITION 1.3.

(1) A lattice L is called *distributive* if for any  $x, y, z \in L$ ,

$$x \wedge (y \lor z) = (x \wedge y) \lor (x \wedge z),$$

or equivalently,

$$x \lor (y \land z) = (x \lor y) \land (x \lor z).$$

- (2) Let L be a lattice and  $x \in L$ . If  $x \lor y = e$  and  $x \land y = 0$ , then y is called a *complement* of x.
- (3) If L is a distributive lattice, then every element x of L has at most one complement. If x has the complement, then the complement of x is denoted by x'.
- (4) A distributive lattice is called a *Boolean algebra* if every element has a complement.

DEFINITION 1.4. A complete lattice L is called a *frame* (or *complete Heyting algebra*) if for any  $a \in L$  and  $S \subseteq L$ ,  $a \land (\lor S) = \lor \{ a \land s : s \in S \}$ .

EXAMPLE 1.5. Let X be a set and  $\Omega(X)$  is a topology on X, then  $(\Omega(X), \leq)$  is a frame, where  $A \leq B$  iff  $A \subseteq B$  for  $A, B \in \Omega(X)$ .

DEFINITION 1.6. Let L be a frame.

- (1) For A,  $B \subseteq L$ , A refines B if for any  $a \in A$ , there is  $b \in B$  with  $a \leq b$ , and denoted by  $A \leq B$ .
- (2) For a, b ∈ L, a is well inside b if there is c ∈ L with a ∧ c = 0 and c∨b = e, and denoted by a ≺ b. Equivalently, a ≺ b ⇔ a\* ∨ b = e, where a\* = ∨{x ∈ L : a ∧ x = 0} is the pseudo complement of a.

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- (3) For  $A \subseteq L$ , A is called a *cover* of L if  $\forall A = e$ . For a frame L, the set of all covers of L is denoted by cov(L).
- (4) L is called *regular* if for any  $x \in L, x = \lor \{a \in L : a \prec x\}$ .
- (5) L is called *normal* if for  $a \lor b = e$ , there are  $u, v \in L$  with  $a \lor u = e = b \lor v$  and  $u \land v = 0$ .

REMARK 1.7. Let L be a frame and  $a, b \in L$ . Then we have:

- (1)  $a \wedge a^* = 0$ , but  $a \vee a^* \neq e$  in general. In  $\Omega(X) A^* = int(A^c)$ for any  $A \in \Omega(X)$ , where  $int(A^c)$  is the interior of X - A. So  $A \vee A^* = A \cup int(A^c) \neq X$  unless A is a clopen subset of X.
- (2) If  $a \lor a^* = e$ , then L is a Boolean Lattice. That is,  $a^* = a'([3])$ .
- (3)  $a \le a^{**}$ , because  $a \land a^* = 0$ .
- (4)  $(a \lor b)^* = a^* \land b^*([3]).$
- (5)  $(a \wedge b)^* \neq a^* \vee b^*$  in general. Consider the open set lattice

$$\Omega(X) = \{X, \{t, u\}, \{t\}, \{u\}, \emptyset\},\$$

where  $X = \{t, u, v\}$ . In this case,

$$(a \wedge b)^* = 0^* = e,$$

but

$$a^* \vee b^* = b \vee a = c,$$

where e = X,  $a = \{t\}$ ,  $b = \{u\}$ ,  $c = \{t, u\}$ , and  $0 = \emptyset$ .

(6) (cov(L), ≤) is a quasi-ordered set. And for A, B ∈ cov(L), the greatest lower bound of A and B is of the form {a ∧ b : a ∈ A, b ∈ B}. That is,

$$A \wedge B = \{a \wedge b : a \in A, b \in B\}.$$

DEFINITION 1.8. Let L and M be frames. A map  $f: L \longrightarrow M$  is called a *frame homomorphism* if f preserves finite meets and arbitrary joins. That is,

- (1)  $f(\lor S) = \lor f(S)$  for any  $S \subseteq L$ .
- (2)  $f(\wedge F) = \wedge f(F)$  for any  $F \in Fin(L)$ , where  $Fin(L) = \{A \subseteq L : A \text{ is a finite subset of } L\}.$

DEFINITION 1.9.([6]) Let L be a complete lattice and  $F \subseteq L$ . Then we say that F is a filter ( $\delta$ -filter, resp.) on L if F satisfies the followings:

- (1) F does not contain 0.
- (2)  $F = \uparrow F = \{x \in L : a \leq x \text{ for some } a \in F\}$ . That is,  $a \in F$  and  $b \geq a$  implies  $b \in F$ .
- (3) For any finite (countable, resp.) subset K of  $F, \land K \in F$ .

**Remark 1.10.** 

- (1) Let F be a filter on a complete lattice L, then  $e \in F$  since  $\wedge \emptyset = e$ ; and hence  $F \neq \emptyset$ .
- (2) Every δ-filter is a filter, but a filter need not be a δ-filter. In fact, on the open set lattice U(R) with the usual topology on R, the neighborhood system N<sub>A</sub> = {M : M is an open neighborhood of A} is not a δ-filter but a filter on U(R), where A = {0}. Because int(∩{(-1/n, 1/n) : n ∈ N}) = Ø is not in N<sub>A</sub>.
- (3) In a complete chain  $\{1/n : n \in N\} \cup \{0\}, F = \{1/n : n \in N\}$ is a filter but not a  $\delta$ -filter, because  $\wedge \{1/n : n \in N\} = 0$  is not in F.
- (4)  $F = \{x \in L : a \le x \text{ and } a \ne 0\}$  is a  $\delta$ -filter on a complete lattice L, and denoted by F = [a] for some  $a \in L$ .

DEFINITION 1.11.([5]) A filter F in a frame L is said to be *clustered* if for any cover S of L,  $secF \cap S \neq \emptyset$ , where  $secF = \{a \in L :$ for any  $a \in F, a \land x \neq 0\}$ .

PROPOSITION 1.12. A filter F in a frame L is clustered if and only if  $\forall \{x^* : x \in F\} \neq e$ .

*Proof.* See reference [5].

## **2.** $\delta$ -Frames

DEFINITION 2.1. A frame L is called a  $\delta$ -frame if for any  $a \in L$ and countable  $K \subseteq L$ ,

$$a \lor (\land K) = \land \{ a \lor k : k \in K \}.$$

NOTATION 2.2. For a  $\delta$ -frame L, we denote as follows:

$$Fcov(L) = \{A \in cov(L) : \text{there is a finite cover } B \}$$

with  $B \leq A$ ,

 $Ccov(L) = \{A \in cov(L) : \text{there is a countable cover } B$ 

with  $B \leq A$ ,

 $Count(L) = \{A \in L : A \text{ is a countable subset of } L\}.$ 

# Remark 2.3

- (1) In a complete lattice  $L, a \lor (\land K) \le \land \{a \lor k : k \in K\}$  holds for any  $K \subseteq L$  and  $a \in L$ , because  $a \le a \lor k$  for all  $k \in K$  implies  $\land K \le \land \{a \lor k : k \in K\}$ , hence  $a \lor (\land K) \le \land \{a \lor k : k \in K\}$ .
- (2) Every complete chain L is a  $\delta$ -frame, because for any  $a \in L$ and  $K \in Count(L)$ ,

(i) if  $a \le k$  for all  $k \in K$ , then  $a \le \wedge K$ , hence  $a \lor (\wedge K) = \wedge K = \wedge \{a \lor k : k \in K\}$ 

(ii) if there is  $k_0 \in K$  with  $k_0 \leq a$ , then  $\wedge K \leq k_0 \leq a$ , hence  $a \lor (\wedge K) = a = a \lor k_0 \geq \wedge \{a \lor k : k \in K\}$ 

Thus by i), ii) and (1), L is a  $\delta$ -frame.

(3) Every complete Boolean algebra is a  $\delta$ -frame; hence the frame of regular open subsets of R is a  $\delta$ -frame. To show this, let L be a complete Boolean algebra. Then for  $a \in L$  and  $K = \{x_i : i \in I, I \text{ is a countable set}\} \in Count(L),$ 

$$egin{aligned} x_i &= 0 \lor x_i \ &= (a \land a') \lor x_i \ &= (a \lor x_i) \land (a' \lor x_i), \end{aligned}$$

hence

$$egin{array}{lll} \wedge K &= \wedge \{(a ee x_i) \wedge (a' ee x_i) : x_i \in K \} \ &= (\wedge \{a ee x_i : x_i \in K \}) \wedge (\wedge \{a' ee x_i : x_i \in K \}), \end{array}$$

and hence

$$egin{array}{l} aee(\wedge K)=&[aee(\wedge\{aee x_i:x_i\in K\})]\ &\wedge [aee(\wedge\{a'ee x_i:x_i\in K\})]\ &=&[aee(\wedge\{aee x_i:x_i\in K\})]\wedge e\ &\geq \wedge\,\{aee x_i:x_i\in K\}. \end{array}$$

REMARK 2.4. Every  $\delta$ -frame is a frame, but a frame need not be a  $\delta$ -frame. In fact, the open set lattice  $C_f(N)$ , where  $C_f(N)$  is the cofinite topology on the set of natural numbers N, is not a  $\delta$ -frame but a frame. Because for  $K = \{N - \{m\} : m \text{ is a positive odd integer}\}$  and  $a = N - \{2\}$ ,

$$a = a \lor (\land K) \neq \land \{a \lor k : k \in K\} = e,$$

where  $\wedge K = int(\cap K)$  and  $\forall K = \bigcup K$ . But the open set lattice D(N) is a  $\delta$ -frame, where D(N) is the discrete topology on N. If X is finite, then the open set lattice  $\Omega(X)$  with any topology on X is a  $\delta$ -frame.

REMARK 2.5. Let L be a  $\delta$ -frame. For  $A_n \subseteq L$  and any  $n \in N$ , let  $B = \{a_1 \land \cdots \land a_n \land \cdots : a_n \in A_n \text{ for each } n \in N\}$ . Then we have:

- (1)  $\forall B = (\forall A_1) \land (\forall A_2) \land \cdots \land (\forall A_n) \land \cdots$ .
- (2) For any A<sub>n</sub> ∈ cov(L), B is the greatest lower bound of A<sub>n</sub> for each n ∈ N in (cov(L), ≤). That is,

$$\wedge_{n\in N}A_n = \{a_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge a_n \wedge \cdots : a_n \in A_n \text{ for each } n \in N\}.$$

*Proof.* (1) Since L is a  $\delta$ -frame, L is distributive under a countable meets and arbitrary joins, hence

$$egin{array}{ll} ⅇ \left\{a_1\wedge\cdots\wedge a_n\wedge\cdots\,:a_n\in A_n ext{ for each } n\in N
ight\} \ &=\wedge\{ee A_1,\cdots,ee A_n,\cdots
ight\} \ &=(ee A_1)\wedge\cdots\wedge(ee A_n)\wedge\cdots. \end{array}$$

(2) Note that B is a cover of L, because

$$\forall (B) = \forall \{a_1 \land \dots \land a_n \land \dots : a_n \in A_n, n \in N\}$$
$$= (\forall A_1) \land \dots \land (\forall A_n) \land \dots$$
$$= e.$$

Clearly  $B \leq A_n$  for any  $n \in N$ . Suppose there is C with  $C \leq A_n$  for any  $n \in N$ . Then there is  $c \in C$  with  $c \leq a_n$  for some  $a_n \in A_n$  for each  $n \in N$ . Hence

 $c \leq a_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge a_n \wedge \cdots$  for some  $a_n \in A_n, \ n \in N.$ 

Thus  $C \leq B$ .

PROPOSITION 2.6. Let L be a  $\delta$ -frame. Then cov(L), Fcov(L), and Ccov(L) are  $\delta$ -filters.

*Proof.* By the above Remark 2.5, it is trivial.

### 3. Almost Lindelöf $\delta$ -frames and Lindelöf $\delta$ -frames

Whenever C is a cover of L,  $C - \{0\}$  is also a cover of L. So we will assume that C does not contain 0.

DEFINITION 3.1. Let L be a frame, then we say:

- (1) L is said to be almost Lindelöf if for any  $C \in cov(L)$ , there is  $K \in Count(C)$  with  $(\vee K)^* = 0$ .
- (2) L is said to be Lindelöf if for any  $C \in cov(L)$ , there is  $K \in Count(C)$  with  $\forall K = e$ .

REMARK 3.2. In a  $\delta$ -frame L and for any  $K \in Count(L)$ , we have:

- (1) Every compact frame is Lindelöf. But the open set lattice  $C_c(N)$  of the cofinite topology on N is a Lindelöf frame but not a compact frame.
- (2)  $(\lor K)^* = \land \{a^* : a \in K\}$ . Because

$$egin{array}{lll} (ee K)\wedge (\wedge \{a^*:a\in K\}) \ &= ee \{a\wedge (\wedge \{a^*:a\in K\}):a\in K\} \ &\leq ee \{a\wedge a^*:a\in K\} \ &= 0 \end{array}$$

and for  $y \in L$  with  $(\lor K) \land y = 0$ ,

$$(\lor K) \land y = \lor \{a \land y : a \in K\} = 0.$$

Then  $a \wedge y = 0$  for all  $a \in K$ , and then  $y \leq a^*$  for all  $a \in K$ , hence  $y \leq \wedge \{a^* : a \in K\}$ .

(3)  $(\wedge K)^* \neq \vee \{a^* : a \in K\}$  in general, see Remark 1.7.(5).

In a frame L, L is almost compact if and only if for any filter F in  $L, \forall \{x^* : x \in F\} \neq e$  ([4],[8]). In a  $\delta$ -frame L, we get a similar result as following :

THEOREM 3.3. Let L be a  $\delta$ -frame, then the followings are equivalent:

- (1) L is almost Lindelöf.
- (2) For any  $\delta$ -filter F in L,  $\forall \{x^* : x \in F\} \neq e$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Suppose on the contrary that there is a  $\delta$ -filter F in L with  $\vee \{x^* : x \in F\} = e$ . So there is  $K \in Count(F)$  with  $(\vee \{y^* : y \in K\})^* = 0$ . Note that  $(\vee K)^* = \wedge \{x^* : x \in K\}$  by the above Remark 3.2.(2). So

$$(arphi\{y^*:y\in K\})^* = \wedge\{y^{**}:y\in K\} = 0.$$

Note that  $x \wedge x^* = 0$  implies  $x \leq x^{**}$ . Then

 $\wedge \{y: y \in K\} \le \wedge \{y^{**}: y \in K\} = 0 \text{ implies } \wedge \{y: y \in K\} = 0,$ 

which contradicts to the fact that  $\delta$ -filter F does not contain 0. (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Suppose on the contrary that there is  $C \subseteq L$  such that  $\forall C = e$ , but for any countable  $K \subseteq C$ ,

$$(\lor K)^* = \land \{x^* : x \in K\} \neq 0.$$

Let  $U = \{y \in L : \text{there is a countable } K \text{ in } C \text{ with } \land \{x^* : x \in K\} \le y\}$ . Then we have the followings:

- (i) If  $0 \in U$ , then there is a  $K \in Count(C)$  with  $\wedge \{x^* : x \in K\} \leq 0$ . Hence  $\wedge \{x^* : x \in K\} = 0$ , which is a contradiction.
- (ii) Let  $y \in U$  and  $z \ge y$ , then there is a  $K \in Count(C)$  with  $\wedge \{x^* : x \in K\} \le y \le z$  and then there is a  $K \in Count(C)$ with  $\wedge \{x^* : x \in K\} \le z$ . Thus  $z \in U$ ; hence  $U = \uparrow U$ .
- (iii) Let  $P = \{y_n : n \in N\} \in Count(U)$ , then there is a  $K_n \in Count(C)$  with  $\wedge \{x^* : x \in K_n\} \leq y_n$  for each  $n \in N$ .

Let  $K = \bigcup \{K_n : n \in N\}$ , then  $K \in Count(C)$  and

$$\wedge \{x^*: x \in K\} \leq \wedge \{x^*: x \in K_n\} \leq y_n$$

for each  $n \in N$ . Thus

$$\wedge \{x^*: x \in K_n\} \leq \wedge \{y_n: n \in N\} = \wedge P,$$

hence  $\wedge P \in U$ . By (i), (ii) and (iii) U is a  $\delta$ -filter in L, hence

$$\vee \{y^* : y \in U\} \neq e.$$

Since  $\{x^*: x \in C\} \subseteq U$ , we have

$$e = \lor C \le \lor \{x^{**} : x \in C\} \le \lor \{y^* : y \in U\}.$$

Thus  $\forall \{y^* : y \in U\} = e$ , which is again a contradiction.

THEOREM 3.4. Every regular Lindelöf  $\delta$ -frame is normal.

*Proof.* Let L be a regular Lindelöf  $\delta$ -frame and  $a \vee b = e$ . Then

$$a = orall \{x \in L : x \prec a\},$$
  
 $b = orall \{y \in L : y \prec b\}$ 

and then

$$e = a \lor b = (\lor \{x \in L : x \prec a\}) \lor (\lor \{y \in L : y \prec b\}).$$

Since L is Lindelöf  $\delta$ - frame, there are countable cover  $\{x_i : i \in I\}$  and countable cover  $\{y_k : k \in I\}$  such that  $x_i \prec a$  for any  $i \in I$ ,  $y_k \prec b$  for any  $k \in I$ , and  $(\lor \{x_i : i \in I\}) \lor (\{y_k : k \in I\}) = e$ . Then  $x_i^* \lor a = e$ for any  $i \in I$  and  $y_k^* \lor b = e$  for any  $k \in I$ . Hence

$$(\wedge \{x_i^*: i \in I\}) \lor a = \wedge \{x_i^* \lor a: i \in I\} = e, \ (\wedge \{y_k^*: k \in I\}) \lor b = \wedge \{y_k^* \lor b: k \in I\} = e.$$

Moreover,

$$(\wedge \{x_i^* : i \in I\}) \wedge (\wedge \{y_k^* : k \in I\}) = (\vee \{x_i : i \in I\})^* \wedge (\vee \{y_k : k \in I\})^* = [(\vee \{x_i : i \in I\}) \vee (\{y_k : k \in I\})]^* = e^* = 0.$$

Thus L is normal.

PROPOSITION 3.7. A  $\delta$ -filter F in a frame L is clustered if and only if  $\forall \{x^* : x \in F\} \neq e$ .

*Proof.* By Proposition 1.12, it is trivial.

COROLLARY 3.8. For a  $\delta$ -frame L, the followings are equivalent:

- (1) L is almost Lindelöf.
- (2) Every  $\delta$ -filter in L is clustered.

DEFINITION 3.9. Let L and M be  $\delta$ -frames and  $f: L \to M$  a map.

- (1) f is called a  $\delta$ -homomorphism if f preserve arbitrary joins and countable meets.
- (2) A  $\delta$ -homomorphism f is called *dense* if f(x) = 0 implies x = 0.
- (3) A  $\delta$ -homomorphism f is called *codense* if f(x) = e implies x = e.
- (4) A  $\delta$ -homomorphism f is called a  $\delta$ -isomorphism if f is a bijection.

PROPOSITION 3.10. Let L and M be  $\delta$ -frames and  $f: L \to M$  a  $\delta$ -homomorphism, then we have:

- (1) f(0) = 0.
- (2) f(e) = e.
- (3) If f is dense, then  $f(a)^* \ge f(a^*)$  for all  $a \in L$ .

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In particular,  $f(a)^* = f(a^*)$  if f is onto dense.

Proof. (1)  $f(0) = f(\lor \emptyset) = \lor f(\emptyset) = \lor \emptyset = 0.$ (2)  $f(e) = f(\land \emptyset) = \land f(\emptyset) = \land \emptyset = e.$ 

(3) If f is dense, then

$$egin{aligned} f(a)^* &= ee \{m \in M: m \wedge f(a) = 0\} \ &\geq ee \{f(b) \in M: f(b) \wedge f(a) = 0\} \cdots (*) \ &= ee \{f(b) \in M: f(b \wedge a) = 0\} \ &= ee \{f(b) \in M: b \wedge a = 0\}, ext{ since } f ext{ is dense} \ &= f(ee \{b \in L: b \wedge a = 0\} \ &= f(a^*). \end{aligned}$$

If f is onto, then the inequality (\*) becomes equality.

THEOREM 3.11. Let L and M be  $\delta$ -frames and  $f: L \to M$  is a dense  $\delta$ -homomorphism.

- (1) If M is almost Lindelöf, then so is L.
- (2) If f is onto and codense, then M is almost Lindelöf if L is almost Lindelöf.

*Proof.* (1) Take any  $S \in cov(L)$ , then  $\forall S = e$ , hence

$$f(e)=e=f(\vee S)=\vee f(S)=\vee \{f(s):s\in S\}$$

and since M is almost Lindelöf,  $f(S) \in cov(M)$  implies there is a  $K \in Count(S)$  with  $(\lor f(K))^* = 0$ . Then

$$egin{aligned} (ee \{f(s):s\in K\})^* &= \wedge \{f(s)^*:s\in K\} \ &\geq \wedge \{f(s^*):s\in K\} \ &= f(\wedge \{s^*:s\in K\}) \ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

hence  $\wedge \{s^* : s \in K\} = 0$ , since f is dense. Thus  $(\vee K)^* = \wedge \{s^* : s \in K\} = 0$ , hence L is almost Lindelöf.

(2) Take any  $T \in cov(M)$ , then there is an  $S \subseteq L$  with f(S) = T since f is onto, hence  $e = \lor T = \lor f(S) = f(\lor S)$  implies  $\lor S = e$ , since f is codense. So, there is  $K \in Count(S)$  with  $(\lor K)^* = 0$ . Consider  $(\lor K)^* = \land \{k^* : k \in K\}$  and  $f(K) \in Count(T)$ , let W = f(K), then

$$(\lor W)^* = (\lor f(K))^* = \land \{f(k)^* : k \in K\}$$
  
=  $f(\land \{k^* : k \in K\})$   
=  $f(0) = 0.$ 

COROLLARY 3.12. Let L and M be  $\delta$ -frames and let  $f : L \to M$ be a  $\delta$ -isomorphism which is dense and codense. Then L is Lindelöf if and only if M is Lindelöf.

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