



## Rings of frame maps from $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$ to frames which vanish at infinity

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### Abstract

Let  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  be the set of all frame maps from  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$  to  $L$ , which is an  $f$ -ring. In this paper, we introduce the subrings  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$  of all frame maps from  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$  to  $L$  which vanish at infinity and  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$  of all frame maps from  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$  to  $L$  with compact support. We prove  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$  is a subring of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  that may not be an ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  in general and we obtain necessary and sufficient conditions for  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$  to be an ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ . Also, we show that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$  is an ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  and it is a regular ring. For  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ , we obtain a sufficient condition for  $f$  to be an element of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$  ( $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$ ). Next, we give necessary and sufficient conditions for a frame to be compact. We introduce  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}$ -pseudocompact and next we establish equivalent condition for an  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}$ -pseudocompact frame to be a compact frame. Finally, we study when for some frame  $L$  with  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L) \neq (0)$ , there is a locally compact frame  $M$  such that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L) \cong \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(M)$  and  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L) \cong \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(M)$ .

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### 1. Introduction

Let  $C(X)$  denote the ring of all real-valued continuous functions on a topological space  $X$ ; and  $C_{\infty}(X)$  is the subring of all functions  $C(X)$  which vanish at infinity. Aliabadi et al. in [1] have shown that for every completely regular Hausdorff space  $X$ , whenever  $C_{\infty}(X) \neq (0)$ , then there exists a locally compact space  $Y$  such that  $C_{\infty}(X) \cong C_{\infty}(Y)$ .

Let  $L$  be a completely regular frame and  $\mathcal{R}L$  be the ring of real-valued continuous functions on  $L$  and  $\mathcal{R}^*L$  be the ring of bounded real-valued continuous functions on  $L$  (see [2, 4]).  $\mathcal{R}_{\infty}L$ , the family of all functions  $f \in \mathcal{R}L$  for which  $\uparrow f(\frac{-1}{n}, \frac{1}{n})$  is compact for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\mathcal{R}_K L$ , the family of all functions  $f \in \mathcal{R}L$  for which  $\uparrow \text{coz}(f)^*$  is compact, were introduced by Dube in [5]. Estaji and Mahmoudi Darghadam in [8] studied when for a frame  $L$  with  $\mathcal{R}_{\infty}L \neq (0)$ , there is a locally compact frame  $M$  such that  $\mathcal{R}_{\infty}L \cong \mathcal{R}_{\infty}M$  and  $\mathcal{R}_K L \cong \mathcal{R}_K M$  (also, see [9]).

The  $f$ -ring  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L) := \mathbf{Frm}(\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}), L)$  was introduced by Karimi Feizabadi et al. in [11]. Estaji et al. in [7] showed that for every frame  $L$ , there is a zero-dimensional frame  $M$  such that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L) \cong \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(M)$ . Hence, for study  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ , we assume that  $L$  is a zero-dimensional

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frame. Let  $C(X, \mathbb{R}_d)$  denote the set of continuous functions from a space  $X$  into the discrete space of real-numbers  $\mathbb{R}_d$ . It is known that  $C(X, \mathbb{R}_d) \leq C(X)$ . If  $X$  is discrete, then

$$C(X, \mathbb{R}_d) = C(X) = \mathbb{R}^X \cong \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(\mathcal{P}(X)).$$

In this manner,  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  is the generalization of the  $f$ -ring  $C(X, \mathbb{R}_d)$ .

In [3] an element  $\alpha \in \mathcal{R}L$  is called *locally constant* if there exists a partition  $P$  of  $L$ , meaning  $P$  is a cover of  $L$  and its elements are pairwise disjoint, such that  $\alpha|_a$  is constant for each  $a \in P$ , where  $\alpha|_a : \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \downarrow a$  given by  $\alpha|_a(v) = \alpha(v) \wedge a$  for every  $v \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R})$ . The set of all locally constant elements of  $\mathcal{R}L$  is denoted by  $\mathfrak{S}L$ . In [3], Banaschewski showed that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}L \cong \mathfrak{S}L$  as  $f$ -ring.

In this paper, we introduce the subring  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$  of all frame maps from  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$  to  $L$  for which vanish at infinity and  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$  of all frame maps from  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$  to  $L$  with compact support (see Definition 3.1 and Definition 3.2). We show that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$  is a subring of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  and is an ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$  (see Proposition 3.6 and Proposition 3.8). We prove that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$  may not be regular and an ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  in general (see Example 7.7). Also, we give necessary and sufficient conditions for  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$  to be an ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  (see Proposition 4.14). We prove that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$  is an ideal of both  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  and  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$  and also it is a regular ring (see Lemma 3.5). We introduce an  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}$ -pseudocompact frame and next we establish equivalent condition for an  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}$ -pseudocompact frame to be a compact frame (see Definition 4.1 and Lemma 4.7). For every frame  $L$  with  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L) \neq (0)$ , there is a locally compact frame  $M$  such that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$  and  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$  are isomorphic with an  $f$ -subring of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(M)$  and an  $f$ -subring  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(M)$  respectively, see Lemma 7.3, and if  $\mathfrak{c} := \bigvee \{a \in L : \uparrow a^* \text{ is a compact frame}\}$  is complemented then  $\downarrow \mathfrak{c}$  is a locally compact frame such that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L) \cong \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(\downarrow \mathfrak{c})$  and  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L) \cong \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(\downarrow \mathfrak{c})$  (see Propositions 5.6, 7.5 and 7.8).

## 2. Preliminaries

In this section, we represent several concepts and definitions that are necessary in this paper. Throughout this paper  $L$  denotes a zero-dimensional frame, that is,  $L$  generated by their complemented elements. An element  $a$  of  $L$  is called *compact* if, for any subset  $S$  of  $L$ ,  $a = \bigvee S$  implies  $a = \bigvee T$  for some finite  $T \subseteq S$ . A frame  $L$  is called compact whenever its the top element  $\top$  of  $L$  is compact. For every  $a, b \in L$ , we recall from [5] that if  $\uparrow a$  and  $\uparrow b$  are compact frames then  $\uparrow(a \wedge b)$  is a compact frame and also, if  $\uparrow a$  is a compact frame and  $a \leq b$ , then  $\uparrow b$  is a compact frame. For general background regarding frames we refer to [12].

For each set  $X$ , we can form the set  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  of all subsets of  $X$  (called the power set of  $X$ ). Also,  $(\mathcal{P}(X), \subseteq)$  is a complete Boolean algebra. Let  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  be the set of all frame maps from  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$  to  $L$ . Details regarding  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  can be found in [7, 10, 11]. In [11] the authors showed that, the set  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}L$  by operation  $\diamond : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a sub- $f$ -ring of  $\mathcal{R}L$  in which for all  $f, g \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}L$ ,  $f \diamond g : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow L$  by

$$(f \diamond g)(X) = \bigvee \{f(Y) \wedge g(Z) : Y \diamond Z \subseteq X\} = \bigvee \{f(\{y\}) \wedge g(\{z\}) : y \diamond z \in X\},$$

where  $\diamond \in \{+, -, \wedge, \vee\}$  and  $Y \diamond Z := \{y \diamond z : y \in Y, z \in Z\}$ . Also, for every  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ , the corresponding constant function  $\mathbf{r} : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow L$  such that  $\mathbf{r}(X) = \top$  if  $r \in X$  and  $\mathbf{r}(X) = \perp$  otherwise. According to [11], for every  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}L$ ,  $f(\{0\})$  ( $f(\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\})$ ) is denoted by  $z(f)$  ( $\text{coz}(f)$ ) and is called a *zero-element* (*cozero-element*). We put  $Z(A) := \{z(f) : f \in A\}$  and  $\text{coz}(A) := \{\text{coz}(f) : f \in A\}$ , for every  $A \subseteq \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ . Also, for every  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}L$ ,  $z(f) = \perp$  if and only if  $f$  is a unit element of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}L$  (see [10]). The bounded part, in the  $f$ -ring sense, of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}L$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$  and is characterized by:

$$f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L) \Leftrightarrow f(p, q) = 1 \text{ for some } p, q \in \mathbb{R},$$

where  $(p, q) = \{r \in \mathbb{R} : a < r < b\}$ .

We recall from [7] that for any set  $S$ , an  $S$ -trail on  $L$  is a function  $t : S \rightarrow L$  such that  $\bigvee_{x \in \mathbb{R}} t(x) = \top$  and  $t(x) \wedge t(y) = \perp$  for any  $x, y \in S$  with  $x \neq y$  and an  $\mathbb{R}$ -trail is called *real-trail*. Also, for any  $S$ -trail  $t$  on a frame  $L$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_t : P(S) &\longrightarrow L \\ X &\longmapsto \bigvee_{x \in X} t(x) \end{aligned}$$

is a frame map. Throughout this paper, this notation will be used. Also, if  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}L$ , then  $t_f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow L$  by  $t_f(r) = f(\{r\})$  is a real-trail on a frame  $L$ . The correspondences between real-trails on a frame  $L$  and the  $f$ -ring  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}L$  are powerful tools in the study of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}L$ . If  $a$  is a complemented element of  $L$ , then  $t_a : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow L$  by

$$t_a(x) = \begin{cases} a & \text{if } x = 1 \\ a' & \text{if } x = 0 \\ \perp & \text{if } x \notin \{0, 1\} \end{cases}$$

is a real-trail on  $L$ ,  $\text{coz}(\varphi_{t_a}) = a$ ,  $\varphi_{t_a}^2 = \varphi_{t_a}$  and

$$f\varphi_{t_a}(X) = \begin{cases} a \wedge f(X) & \text{if } 0 \notin X \\ a' \vee f(X) & \text{if } 0 \in X \end{cases}$$

for every  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}L$  and every  $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , throughout this notation will be used (see [10]). It is clear that for  $S$ -trail  $t : S \rightarrow L$  on  $L$ ,  $\varphi_t$  is a monomorphism frame map if and only if  $t(s) \neq \perp$  for any  $s \in S$ . Let  $B(L)$  denote the sublattice of complemented elements of a frame  $L$ . Hence,

$$z(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}L) = B(L) = \text{coz}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}L)$$

and also, for every  $x \in L$ , there exists a subset  $A$  of  $B(L)$  such that  $x = \bigvee_{a \in A} \text{coz}(\varphi_{t_a})$ .

### 3. The $f$ -subrings $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$ and $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$ of $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$

In this section, we introduce  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$  and  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$  and prove that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$  is the  $f$ -subrings of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  that may not be both regular ring and an ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  in general but is an ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$ . We prove that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$  is an ideal of both  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  and  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$  and is a regular  $f$ -subring of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ . Also, we establish several equivalent conditions for the set  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$  to be an ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ .

We begin with the following basic definitions.

**Definition 3.1.** We say  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  vanishes at infinity if  $\uparrow f(-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n})$  is a compact frame for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . We denote the family of all  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  vanishing at infinity with  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$ .

**Definition 3.2.** We say  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  has compact support if  $\uparrow z(f)$  is a compact frame, or equivalently,  $\text{coz}(f)$  is a compact element of  $L$ . We denote the family of all  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  with compact support by  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$ .

It is obvious that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L) \subseteq \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$ .

**Example 3.3.** We recall a frame  $M$  is called connected, if  $B(M) = \{\perp, \top\}$ . Let  $M$  be a connected frame. Consider  $\mathbf{0} \neq f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(M)$ . Then  $\text{coz}(f) = \top$  and  $z(f) = \perp$ , which implies that there exists an  $0 \neq r \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f(\{r\}) \neq \perp$  and so we clearly see that  $f = \mathbf{r}$ . Therefore,  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(M) = \{\mathbf{r} : r \in \mathbb{R}\} \cong \mathbb{R} \cong \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbf{2})$ . Since for every  $0 \neq r \in \mathbb{R}$ , there is an element  $n$  in  $\mathbb{N}$  such that  $|r| > \frac{1}{n}$ , we conclude that  $\mathbf{r} \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(M)$  if and only if  $M$  is a compact frame if and only if  $\mathbf{r} \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(M)$ . Hence for every connected frame  $M$ , the following statements are equivalent.

- (1)  $M$  is a compact frame
- (2)  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(M) = \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(M)$ .
- (3)  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(M) = \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(M)$ .

Estaji et al. in [7] showed that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  is a regular ring. In the following we prove that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$  is a regular ring, too.

**Lemma 3.4.** *For every  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$ ,  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : f(\{x\}) \neq \perp\}$  is a finite subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$ .*

**Proof.** Consider  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$ . Since  $\bigvee_{x \in \mathbb{R}} f(\{0, x\}) = \top$ , there are  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f(\{0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}) = \top$ , and so  $f(\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}) = \perp$ , which implies that  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : f(\{x\}) \neq \perp\}$  is a finite subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.5.** *The following statements hold.*

- (1) *The set  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$  is an ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ .*
- (2) *The set  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$  is an ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$ .*
- (3) *The set  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$  is a regular ring.*

**Proof.** (1). Let  $f, g \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$  and  $h \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ . Since  $\uparrow(z(f) \wedge z(g))$  is a compact frame and  $z(f+g) \geq z(f) \wedge z(g)$ , we conclude that  $\uparrow(z(f+g))$  is a compact frame, which implies that  $f+g \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$ . Also, from  $\uparrow z(f)$  is a compact frame and  $z(fh) = z(f) \vee z(h) \geq z(f)$ , we infer that  $\uparrow z(fh)$  is a compact frame, which implies that  $fh \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$ .

(2). Since, by Lemma 3.4,  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L) \subseteq \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$ , the proof is similar to the first statement.

(3). Consider  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$ . We define the real-trail  $t : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow L$  on the frame  $L$  by

$$t(x) = \begin{cases} f(\{\frac{1}{x}\}) & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ f(\{0\}) & \text{if } x = 0. \end{cases}$$

Then

$$f\varphi_t(\{x\}) = \begin{cases} z(f) & \text{if } x = 0 \\ \text{coz}(f) & \text{if } x = 1 \\ \perp & \text{if } x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0, 1\}, \end{cases}$$

which implies that  $f^2\varphi_t = f$ . Since  $\uparrow z(\varphi_t) = \uparrow z(f)$  is a compact frame, we conclude that  $\varphi_t \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$ , which implies that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$  is a regular ring.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.6.** *The set  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$  is a subring of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ .*

**Proof.** Consider  $f, g \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since

$$(f+g)((-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n})) \geq f(-\frac{1}{2n}, \frac{1}{2n}) \wedge g(-\frac{1}{2n}, \frac{1}{2n})$$

and  $\uparrow(f(-\frac{1}{2n}, \frac{1}{2n}) \wedge g(-\frac{1}{2n}, \frac{1}{2n}))$  is a compact frame, we conclude that  $\uparrow(f+g)(-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n})$  is a compact frame, which implies that  $f+g \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$ .

Consider  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $m > \lceil \sqrt{n} \rceil$ . From  $\uparrow(f(-\frac{1}{m}, \frac{1}{m}) \wedge g(-\frac{1}{m}, \frac{1}{m}))$  is a compact frame and

$$(fg)((-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n})) \geq f(-\frac{1}{m}, \frac{1}{m}) \wedge g(-\frac{1}{m}, \frac{1}{m}),$$

we infer that  $\uparrow(fg)(-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n})$  is a compact frame, which implies that  $fg \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 3.7.** *For every  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$ , the following statements hold.*

- (1) *The set  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus (-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) : f(\{x\}) \neq \perp\}$  is finite for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .*
- (2)  *$f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$ .*
- (3) *The set  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : f(\{x\}) \neq \perp\}$  is an at most countable set.*

**Proof.** (1). Consider  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since  $\bigvee_{x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus (-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n})} f((-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) \cup \{x\}) = \top$ , there are  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m \in \mathbb{R} \setminus (-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n})$  such that  $f((-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) \cup \{x_1, \dots, x_m\}) = \top$ , which implies that  $f(\mathbb{R} \setminus (\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m\} \cup (-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}))) = \perp$ . Hence  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus (-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) : f(\{x\}) \neq \perp\}$  is a finite subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

(2) and (3), by the first statement, are obvious.  $\square$

If  $L$  is not compact, then  $\mathbf{1} \notin \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$ , because  $\mathbf{1}(-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) = \perp$  and  $\uparrow\perp$  is not compact.

**Proposition 3.8.** *The set  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$  is an ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$ .*

**Proof.** By Proposition 3.6 and Lemma 3.7,  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$  is a subring of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$ . Now we assume  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$  and  $g \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$ . Then  $f(-m, m) = \top$  for some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Hence  $\uparrow fg(-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n})$  is a compact frame, because

$$fg(-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) \geq f(-m, m) \wedge g(-\frac{1}{mn}, \frac{1}{mn}) = g(-\frac{1}{mn}, \frac{1}{mn}),$$

which follows that  $fg \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$ . □

The following example shows that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$  may not be an ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  in general and also  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$  may not be a regular ring in general.

**Example 3.9.** Consider  $L = \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$ . We define the real-trail  $t : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow L$  on the frame  $L$  by

$$t(x) = \begin{cases} \{\frac{1}{x}\} & \text{if } \frac{1}{x} \in \mathbb{N} \\ \perp & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then  $z(\varphi_t) = \perp$  and so  $\varphi_t$  is a unit element of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ . Since  $\mathbf{1} \notin \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$  and  $\varphi_t \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$ , we conclude that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$  is not an ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ . Also, if there is an element  $f$  in  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$  such that  $\varphi_t^2 f = \varphi_t$  then  $\varphi_t f = \mathbf{1} \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$ , which is contradiction. Therefore,  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$  is not a regular ring.

**Definition 3.10.** Let  $I$  be any ideal in  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ . If  $\bigvee_{f \in I} \text{coz}(f)$  is the non-top element of  $L$ , we call  $I$  a *fixed ideal*; if  $\bigvee_{f \in I} \text{coz}(f) = \top$ , then  $I$  is a *free ideal*.

**Lemma 3.11.** *If  $c$  is a compact element of  $L$ , then  $c \in \text{coz}(I)$  for every free ideal  $I$  of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  and every  $c \in B(L)$ .*

**Proof.** From  $c$  is a compact element of  $L$  and there exists a subset  $A$  of  $B(L)$  such that  $c = \bigvee_{a \in A} \text{coz}(\varphi_{t_a})$ , we conclude that there a finite subset  $B$  of  $A$  such that  $c = \text{coz}(\bigvee_{a \in B} \varphi_{t_a}^2) \in B(L)$ . Let  $I$  be a free ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  and  $c = \text{coz}(f)$  for some  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ .

$$c = c \wedge \top = \text{coz}(f) \wedge \bigvee_{g \in I} \text{coz}(g) = \bigvee_{g \in I} \text{coz}(fg),$$

and so, there are  $g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n \in I$  such that  $c = \text{coz}(\bigvee_{i=1}^n (fg_i)^2) \in \text{coz}(I)$ . □

**Corollary 3.12.** *The set of all compact elements of  $L$  is a subset of*

$$\bigcap \left\{ \text{coz}(I) : I \text{ is a free ideal of } \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L) \right\}.$$

**Proof.** By Lemma 3.11, it is clear. □

**Definition 3.13.** An element  $a$  of a frame  $M$  is called  $\sigma$ -compact if there exists a family  $\{a_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  of compact elements of  $M$  such that  $a = \bigvee_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n$ . A frame  $M$  is called  $\sigma$ -compact whenever its the top element  $\top$  of  $M$  is  $\sigma$ -compact.

By Lemma 3.11, if  $a \in L$  is a  $\sigma$ -compact element of  $L$ , then there exists an ascending sequence  $\{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  of  $B(L)$  such that  $a = \bigvee_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n$  and  $\uparrow a'_n$  is compact, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Proposition 3.14.** *The following statements hold.*

- (1) *Every element of  $\text{coz}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L))$  is a  $\sigma$ -compact element of  $L$ .*
- (2) *If  $B(L)$  is a sub- $\sigma$ -frame of  $L$  and  $a \in L$  is a  $\sigma$ -compact element of  $L$  then  $a \in \text{coz}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L))$ .*

**Proof.** (1). Consider  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$  and  $a = \text{coz}(f)$ . We put

$$a_n := f\left(\left(-\infty, -\frac{1}{n}\right] \cup \left[\frac{1}{n}, +\infty\right)\right),$$

for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\uparrow a'_n = \uparrow f\left(-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}\right)$  is a compact frame and  $a = \bigvee_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n$ , which implies that  $a$  is a  $\sigma$ -compact element of  $L$ .

(2). Let  $\{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be an ascending sequence of  $B(L)$  such that  $a = \bigvee_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n$  and  $\uparrow a'_n$  is compact for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . We put  $b_1 := a_1$  and  $b_n := a_n \wedge a'_{n-1}$  for every  $2 \leq n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\bigvee_{i=1}^n b_i = a_n$ , which implies that  $a = \bigvee_{i=1}^\infty b_i$  and also  $b_i \wedge b_j = \perp$  for every  $i \neq j$ . We define the real-trail  $t : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow L$  on the frame  $L$  by

$$t(x) = \begin{cases} b_n & \text{if there exists an element } n \text{ of } \mathbb{N} \text{ such that } \frac{1}{x} = n \\ a' & \text{if } x = 0 \\ \perp & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Since

$$\uparrow \varphi_t\left(-\frac{1}{n}, -\frac{1}{n}\right) = \uparrow \left(a' \vee \bigvee_{i=n+1}^\infty b_i\right) = \uparrow a'_n$$

is a compact frame, we conclude that  $\varphi_t \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$  and  $\text{coz}(\varphi_t) = a$ . □

#### 4. Compact and $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}$ -pseudocompact frames

In this section, we introduce  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}$ -pseudocompact frame and give several equivalent conditions for it.

For any element  $a$  of a frame  $M$ , we have the frame map  $M \rightarrow \downarrow a$  taking  $x$  to  $x \wedge a$ , and the associated  $\theta : \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(M) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(\downarrow a)$  will be denoted  $f \mapsto f|a$ , where  $f|a(A) = f(A) \wedge a$  for every  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ . Evidently, this is the counterpart of restricting functions of  $\mathbb{R}^X$  on a subset of  $X$ . Throughout this paper, this notation will be used.

We begin with the following basic definition.

**Definition 4.1.** An element  $a$  of a frame  $M$  is called  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}$ -pseudocompact if  $f|a$  is bounded, for every  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(M)$ . If  $\top$  is  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}$ -pseudocompact we say  $L$  is an  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}$ -pseudocompact frame, in fact  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(M) = \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(M)$ .

**Proposition 4.2.**  $L$  is a compact frame if and only if  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L) = \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ .

**Proof.** *Necessity.* Consider  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . From  $\uparrow \perp = L$  is compact and  $\perp \leq f\left(-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}\right)$ , we infer that  $\uparrow f\left(-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}\right)$  is a compact frame, which implies that  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$ . Also, we have, by Lemma 3.7,  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L) \subseteq \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L) = \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  and this completes the proof.

*Sufficiency.* It is clear that  $L = \uparrow \perp = \uparrow \mathbf{1}(-1, 1)$  is compact, since  $\mathbf{1} \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$ . □

**Lemma 4.3.** Let  $L$  be a compact frame. If  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ , then there exists a finite subset  $X$  of  $\mathbb{R}$  such that  $f(\mathbb{R} \setminus X) = \perp$ .

**Proof.** Since  $\bigvee_{x \in \mathbb{R}} f(\{x\}) = \top$ , we conclude that there are  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\bigvee_{i=1}^n f(\{x_i\}) = \top$ , which implies that  $f(\mathbb{R} \setminus \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}) = \perp$ . □

It is well known that  $\mathfrak{t} : \mathcal{R}(\beta M) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^*M$  given by  $\mathfrak{t}(f) = j_M f$  is the ring isomorphism for every completely regular frame  $M$ , where  $j_M : \beta M \rightarrow M$  given by  $I \mapsto \bigvee I$  (see [6]). We define  $\mathfrak{t}_{\mathcal{P}} : \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(\beta M) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(M)$  by  $\mathfrak{t}_{\mathcal{P}}(f) = j_M f$  for every  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(\beta M)$ . Now, it is natural to ask whether  $\mathfrak{t}_{\mathcal{P}}$  is a ring isomorphism. It is clear that  $\mathfrak{t}_{\mathcal{P}}$  is a ring monomorphism.

The following example shows that  $\mathfrak{t}_{\mathcal{P}}$  is a ring monomorphism, my not be a ring isomorphism.

**Example 4.4.** Consider  $L = \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$ . We define the real-trail  $t : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow L$  on the frame  $L$  by

$$t(x) = \begin{cases} \{x\} & \text{if } \frac{1}{x} \in \mathbb{N} \\ \perp & \text{if } \frac{1}{x} \notin \mathbb{N}. \end{cases}$$

Since  $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : \varphi_t(x) \neq \perp\}$  is an infinite subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ , we conclude from Lemma 4.3 that  $\varphi_t \notin \text{Im}(t_{\mathcal{P}})$ , which implies that  $t_{\mathcal{P}}$  is not an isomorphism.

Now, we ask this question: When is  $t_{\mathcal{P}}$  a ring isomorphism?

**Proposition 4.5.** For  $t_{\mathcal{P}} : \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(\beta L) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$  given by  $f \mapsto j_L f$ , the following statements hold.

- (1) If  $t_{\mathcal{P}}$  is a ring isomorphism then  $L$  is a compact frame.
- (2) If  $L$  is a compact frame and  $B(L)$  is a sub- $\sigma$ -frame of  $L$  then  $t_{\mathcal{P}}$  is a ring isomorphism.

**Proof.** (1). Consider  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$ . Then there are  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R}$ , such that  $\bigvee_{i=1}^n f(\{x_i\}) = \top$ . We define the real-trail  $\hat{t} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \beta L$  on the frame  $\beta L$  by  $\hat{t}(x) = \downarrow f(\{x\})$ . Then  $t_{\mathcal{P}}(\varphi_{\hat{t}}) = f$ , which implies that  $t_{\mathcal{P}}$  is a ring isomorphism.

(2). Let  $L$  be not compact and  $S \subseteq L$  such that  $\bigvee S = \top$  and  $\bigvee F \neq \top$  for every finite subset  $F$  of  $S$ . For every  $s \in S$ , there is a subset  $C_s$  of  $B(L)$  such that  $s = \bigvee C_s$ . Consider  $C = \bigcup_{s \in S} C_s$ . Therefore  $\bigvee F \neq \top$  for every finite subset  $F$  of  $C$ . Therefore without losing generality we may assume that  $\bigvee (C \setminus \{c\}) \neq \top$  for every  $c \in C$ . Let  $B := \{c_{n+1} \in C : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be an infinite countable subset of  $C$ . Since  $B(L)$  is a  $\sigma$ -frame, we conclude that  $a = \bigvee B \in B(L)$  has a complement in  $L$ . We put  $b_n = \bigvee_{i=2}^n c_i$ , for every  $n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\}$  and define the real-trail  $t : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow L$  on  $L$  by

$$t(x) = \begin{cases} a' & \text{if } x = 1 \\ b_2 & \text{if } x = \frac{1}{2} \\ b_n \wedge b'_{n-1} & \text{if there is an element } n \text{ of } \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1, 2\} \text{ such that } x = \frac{1}{n} \\ \perp & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

It is clear that  $\varphi_t \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$ , and by Lemma 4.3,  $\varphi_t \notin \text{Im}(t_{\mathcal{P}})$ . Therefore  $t_{\mathcal{P}}$  is not an isomorphism.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.6.** The following statements are equivalent.

- (1)  $L$  is compact.
- (2) Every proper ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  ( $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$ ) is fixed.
- (3) Every maximal ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  ( $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$ ) is fixed.

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). Let  $I$  be a free proper ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ . Since, by Lemma 3.11,  $\top \in \text{coz}(I)$ , we conclude that  $I = \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ , which is a contradiction.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3). It is clear.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). Let  $\{a_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \subseteq L$  such that  $\top = \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} a_{\lambda}$ . It is clear that

$$I = \{\varphi \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L) : \text{coz}(\varphi) \leq \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda'} a_{\lambda}, \text{ for a finite subset } \Lambda' \text{ of } \Lambda\}$$

is an ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ . If  $I \neq \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ , then there exists a maximal ideal  $M$  such that  $I \subseteq M$  and so

$$\top = \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} a_{\lambda} = \bigvee \text{coz}(I) \leq \bigvee \text{coz}(M),$$

which is a contradiction. Therefore  $I = \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  and there exists a finite subset  $\Lambda'$  of  $\Lambda$  such that  $\top = \text{coz}(\mathbf{1}) = \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda'} a_{\lambda}$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.7.** The following statements hold.

- (1) If  $L$  is compact then  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L) = \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$ .
- (2) If  $B(L)$  is a sub- $\sigma$ -frame of  $L$  and  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L) = \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$  then  $L$  is compact.

**Proof.** (1). By Proposition 4.2, it is obvious.

(2). Let  $L$  be not compact and  $S \subseteq L$  such that  $\bigvee S = \top$  and  $\bigvee F \neq \top$  for every finite subset  $F$  of  $S$ . For every  $a \in S$ , there is a subset  $C_a$  of  $B(L)$  such that  $a = \bigvee C_a$ . Consider  $C = \bigcup_{a \in A} C_a$ . Then  $\bigvee F \neq \top$  for every finite subset  $F$  of  $C$ . Therefore without losing generality we may assume that  $\bigvee (C \setminus \{c\}) \neq \top$  for every  $c \in C$ . Let  $B := \{c_{n+1} \in C : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be an infinite countable subset of  $C$ . Since  $B(L)$  is a  $\sigma$ -frame, we conclude that  $\bigvee B \in B(L)$  has a complement in  $L$ , say  $c_1$ . We put  $b_n = \bigvee_{i=1}^n c_i$  for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and define the real-trail  $t : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow L$  on  $L$  by

$$t(x) = \begin{cases} b_1 & \text{if } x = 1 \\ b_x \wedge b'_{x-1} & \text{if } x \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\} \\ \perp & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

It is clear that  $\varphi_t \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L) \setminus \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$ , which is a contradiction. □

**Definition 4.8.** A onto frame map  $h : L \rightarrow M$  is called  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}$ -quotient if for every  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(M)$ , there is an element  $\hat{f}$  in  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  such that  $h\hat{f} = f$ , i.e., the following diagram commutes.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} L & \xrightarrow{h} & M \\ & \swarrow \hat{f} & \nearrow f \\ & \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}) & \end{array}$$

Also, an onto frame map  $h : L \rightarrow M$  is called  $\text{coz}_{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}}$ -onto if for every  $c \in \text{coz}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(M))$ , there is an element  $\hat{c}$  in  $\text{coz}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L))$  such that  $h(\hat{c}) = c$ .

**Corollary 4.9.** A frame map  $h : L \rightarrow M$  is  $\text{coz}_{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}}$ -onto if and only if it is  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}$ -quotient.

**Proof.** It is obvious. □

Any frame map  $h : M \rightarrow N$  between frames gives rise to an  $f$ -ring homomorphism

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}h : \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(M) &\rightarrow \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(N) \\ f &\mapsto h \circ f, \end{aligned}$$

and this results in a variant functor  $F_{\mathcal{P}}$  from the category **Frm** of frames and frame maps to **AfR** from archimedean  $f$ -rings, and morphisms which are  $f$ -ring homomorphisms, for if  $\diamond \in \{+, \cdot, \vee, \wedge\}$  and  $f, g \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(M)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}h(f \diamond g)(\{a\}) &= h((f \diamond g)(\{a\})) \\ &= h\left(\bigvee \{f\{x\} \wedge g\{y\} : x \diamond y = a\}\right) \\ &= \bigvee \{h(f\{x\}) \wedge h(g\{y\}) : x \diamond y = a\}, \quad \text{since } h \text{ is the frame map} \\ &= \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}h(f) \diamond \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}h(g)(\{a\}), \end{aligned}$$

for every  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , which implies that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}h(f \diamond g) = \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}h(f) \diamond \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}h(g)$ . Hence we have

**Proposition 4.10.** If  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}$ -quotient map  $h : M \rightarrow N$  is codense then the  $f$ -ring homomorphism  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}h : \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(M) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(N)$  given by  $f \mapsto h \circ f$  is an  $f$ -ring isomorphism. Also,  $h$  is  $\text{coz}_{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}}$ -onto.

**Proof.** If  $f \in \ker(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}h)$ , then  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}h(f) = \mathbf{0}$ , which implies that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}h(f)(\{0\}) = h(f(\{0\})) = \top$  and so  $z(f) = \top$ , i.e.,  $f = \mathbf{0}$ . It is clear that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}h$  is onto. □



**Lemma 4.11.** *Let  $L$  be  $\sigma$ -compact and not compact. Then  $L \cong \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$  and there is an  $f$ -ring isomorphism  $\eta : \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  such that*

- (1)  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N}))$  if and only if  $\eta(f) \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$ .
- (2)  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N}))$  if and only if  $\eta(f) \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$ .
- (3)  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N}))$  if and only if  $\eta(f) \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$ .

**Proof.** Similar to the proof of Proposition 4.7, there exists an infinite countable subset  $\{c_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  of  $B(L)$  such that  $c'_1 = \bigvee_{\substack{n \in \mathbb{N} \\ n \neq 1}} c_n$  and  $\bigvee F \neq \top$  for every finite subset  $F$  of  $\{c_n : n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\}\}$ . We put  $b_n = \bigvee_{i=1}^n c_i$  for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and define the real-trail  $t : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow L$  on  $L$  by

$$t(x) = \begin{cases} b_1 & \text{if } x = 1 \\ b_x \wedge b'_{x-1} & \text{if } x \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\} \\ \perp & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

It is clear that  $\varphi_t \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L) \setminus \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$ . We define the  $\mathbb{N}$ -trail  $\bar{t} : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow L$  on  $L$  by

$$\bar{t}(x) = \begin{cases} \varphi_t((-\infty, 1]) & \text{if } x = 1 \\ \varphi_t((x - 1, x]) & \text{if } x \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\} \end{cases}$$

Hence  $\varphi_{\bar{t}} : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N}) \rightarrow L$  given by  $\varphi_{\bar{t}}(X) = \bigvee_{x \in X} \bar{t}(x)$  is an isomorphism  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}$ -quotient map. By Proposition 4.10,  $\eta = \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}\varphi_{\bar{t}} : \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  given by  $f \mapsto \varphi_{\bar{t}} \circ f$  is an  $f$ -ring isomorphism.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.12.** *For every  $c \in B(L)$ , there exists an  $f$ -ring monomorphism  $\theta : \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(\downarrow c) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  such that*

- (1)  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(\downarrow c)$  if and only if  $\theta(f) \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$ .
- (2)  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(\downarrow c)$  if and only if  $\theta(f) \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$ .

**Proof.** We define  $\theta : \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(\downarrow c) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  by  $\theta(f) = \bar{f}$ , where  $\bar{f} : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow L$  give by

$$\bar{f}(X) = \begin{cases} f(X) & \text{if } 0 \notin X \\ f(X) \vee c' & \text{if } 0 \in X \end{cases}$$

is a frame map. Consider  $f, g \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(\downarrow c)$  and  $\diamond \in \{+, \cdot, \vee, \wedge\}$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \theta(f) \diamond \theta(g)(\{0\}) &= \bigvee \{f(\{x\}) \wedge g(\{y\}) : x \diamond y = 0, x \neq 0 \text{ or } y \neq 0\} \vee c' \\ &= (f \diamond g)(\{0\}) \vee c' \\ &= \theta(f \diamond g)(\{0\}). \end{aligned}$$

Consider  $0 \neq x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Since for every  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$f(\{r\}) \wedge (g(\{0\}) \vee c') = f(\{r\}) \wedge g(\{0\})$$

and

$$(f(\{0\}) \vee c') \wedge g(\{r\}) = f(\{0\}) \wedge g(\{r\}),$$

we conclude that

$$\theta(f) \diamond \theta(g)(\{x\}) = \theta(f \diamond g)(\{x\}).$$

Therefore,  $\theta$  is an  $f$ -ring homomorphism. Let  $f$  be an element of  $\ker(\theta)$ . From  $f(\{0\}) \vee c' = \theta(f)(\{0\}) = \mathbf{0}(\{0\}) = \top$  and  $f(\{0\}) \wedge c' \leq c \wedge c' = \perp$ , we infer that  $f(\{0\}) = c$  and since for every  $0 \neq x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f(\{x\}) = \theta(f)(\{x\}) = \mathbf{0}(\{x\}) = \perp$ , we conclude that  $f = \mathbf{0}$ . Therefore,  $\theta$  is an  $f$ -ring monomorphism.  $\square$

We recall from [7] that a proper ideal  $I$  in  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}L$  is called a  $z_{F_{\mathcal{P}}}$ -ideal if  $z(f) = z(g)$  and  $f \in I$  implies that  $g \in I$ . We will also need the following results which appear in [7], for the proof of the following proposition.

**Proposition 4.13.** *Every proper ideal in  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}L$  is a  $z_{F_{\mathcal{P}}}$ -ideal.*

**Proposition 4.14.** *Let  $B(L)$  be a sub- $\sigma$ -frame of  $L$ . The following statements are equivalent.*

- (1)  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$  is an ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ .
- (2) Every  $\sigma$ -compact element  $a$  of  $L$  is  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}$ -pseudocompact.
- (3) Every  $\sigma$ -compact element of  $L$  is compact.
- (4) If  $\{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a family of compact elements of  $L$  such that

$$a_1 \leq a_2 \leq \cdots \leq a_n \leq a_{n+1} \leq \cdots,$$

then there exists an element  $k$  of  $\mathbb{N}$  such that  $a_k = a_{k+i}$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ .

- (5)  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L) = \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$ .
- (6)  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$  is a regular ring.

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) and (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (3). Let  $a$  be a  $\sigma$ -compact element of  $L$ . Then, by Proposition 3.14, there is an element  $f$  of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$  such that  $\text{coz}(f) = a$ . Since  $\text{coz}(\varphi_{t_a}) = a = \text{coz}(f)$ , we conclude from Proposition 4.13 that  $\varphi_{t_a} \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$ , which implies that  $\uparrow\varphi_{t_a}(-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) = \uparrow a'$  is compact for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and so  $a$  is compact. Therefore, by Lemma 4.7,  $\downarrow a$  is an  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}$ -pseudocompact frame.

(2)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (3). By Lemma 4.7, it is clear.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4). It is clear.

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (5). Consider  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$ . Since for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $f((-\infty, -\frac{1}{n}] \vee [\frac{1}{n}, +\infty))$  is compact, we conclude from the fourth statement that there exists an element  $m$  of  $\mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\text{coz}(f) = \bigvee_{n \in \mathbb{N}} f((-\infty, -\frac{1}{n}] \vee [\frac{1}{n}, +\infty)) = f((-\infty, -\frac{1}{m}] \vee [\frac{1}{m}, +\infty)),$$

which implies that  $\text{coz}(f)$  is compact and so  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$ . Therefore,  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L) = \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$ .

(5)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) and (5)  $\Rightarrow$  (6). By Proposition 3.5, it is clear.

(6)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). Let  $a$  be a  $\sigma$ -compact element of  $L$  and not a compact element of  $L$ . Let  $t$  and  $\varphi_t$  be the same in Proposition 3.14. Because  $\varphi_t \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$  and  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$  is the regular ring, there exists an element  $f$  of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$  such that  $\varphi_t = \varphi_t^2 f$ . Since for every  $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_t(\{x\}) &= \varphi_t(\{x\}) \wedge \varphi_t^2 f(\{x\}) \\ &= \varphi_t(\{x\}) \wedge \bigvee \{\varphi_t\{y\} \wedge f\varphi_t(\{y'\}) : yy' = x\} \\ &= \bigvee \{\varphi_t(\{x\}) \wedge \varphi_t(\{y\}) \wedge f\varphi_t(\{y'\}) : yy' = x\} \\ &= \varphi_t(\{x\}) \wedge f\varphi_t(\{1\}), \end{aligned}$$

we infer that  $\text{coz}(\varphi_t) \leq f\varphi_t(\{1\}) \leq \text{coz}(f\varphi_t) \leq \text{coz}(\varphi_t)$  and hence  $\text{coz}(f) \geq \text{coz}(\varphi_t)$ . Since  $\text{coz}(\varphi_t|_a) = a = \top_{\downarrow a}$ , we conclude that  $\varphi_t|_a$  is a unit element of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(\downarrow a)$  and  $\varphi_t|_a f|_a = \mathbf{1}$ , which implies that  $f|_a(\{n\}) = \varphi_t|_a(\{\frac{1}{n}\}) = b_n \neq \perp$  for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore  $f|_a \notin \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(\downarrow a)$ , which is a contradiction.  $\square$

It is clear that if  $I$  is an ideal of the  $f$ -ring  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ , then  $\text{coz}(I)$  is an ideal of  $B(L)$ .

**Corollary 4.15.** *For every  $f, g \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ , if  $\text{coz}(f) \leq \text{coz}(g)$  then there exists an element  $h$  of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  such that  $f = gh$ .*

**Proof.** Consider  $f, g \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  and  $I$  is the ideal generated by  $g$ . Since  $\text{coz}(I)$  is an ideal of  $B(L)$  and  $\text{coz}(f) \leq \text{coz}(g) \in \text{coz}(I)$ , we conclude from Proposition 4.13 that  $f \in I$ , which implies that there exists an element  $h$  of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  such that  $f = gh$ .  $\square$

If  $A$  is an ideal of frame  $L$  then  $\text{coz}^{\leftarrow}(A) := \{f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L) : \text{coz}(f) \in A\}$  is an ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ .

**Proposition 4.16.** *If  $I$  is a free proper ideal in  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  then  $f(-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) \notin \text{coz}(I)$  for every  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$  and every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .*

**Proof.** Consider  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . From

$$\top = \bigvee \text{coz}(I) = \bigvee \left\{ \text{coz}(g) \vee f\left(-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}\right) : g \in I \right\}$$

and  $\uparrow f(-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n})$  is compact, we conclude that there exists an element  $g$  of  $I$  such that  $\top = \text{coz}(g) \vee f(-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n})$ . If  $f(-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) \in \text{coz}(I)$ , then  $\top \in \text{coz}(I)$ , i.e.,  $I = L$ , which is a contradiction. Hence  $f(-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) \notin \text{coz}(I)$ .  $\square$

### 5. Locally compact frames

In this section, we consider  $\mathfrak{C} := \{a \in L : \uparrow a^* \text{ is a compact frame}\}$  and  $\mathfrak{c} := \bigvee \mathfrak{C}$ . We show that if  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L) \neq (0)$ , then  $\downarrow \mathfrak{c}$  is a locally compact frame and

$$\bigvee_{\varphi \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)} \text{coz}(\varphi) = \mathfrak{c} = \bigvee_{\varphi \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)} \text{coz}(\varphi).$$

Next, we prove that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L) \cong \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(\downarrow \mathfrak{c})$  if  $\mathfrak{c}$  is complemented.

**Proposition 5.1.** *The following statements hold.*

- (1)  $\mathfrak{c} = \bigvee \text{coz}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L))$ .
- (2) *If  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L) \neq (0)$  then  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L) \neq (0)$  and  $\mathfrak{c} = \bigvee \text{coz}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L))$ .*

**Proof.** (1). Consider  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$ . For every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we put  $v_n = f(-\infty, \frac{-1}{n}] \vee \varphi[\frac{1}{n}, +\infty)$ . From  $f(\frac{-1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) = v'_n$  and  $\uparrow f(\frac{-1}{n}, \frac{1}{n})$  is a compact frame, we conclude that  $v_n \in \mathfrak{C}$  for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\text{coz}(f) = \bigvee_{n \in \mathbb{N}} v_n \leq \mathfrak{c}$ , it implies that  $\bigvee_{f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)} \text{coz}(f) \leq \mathfrak{c}$ . Now, assume that  $a \in \mathfrak{C}$  and  $\{f_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \subseteq \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  with  $a = \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \text{coz}(f_{\lambda})$ . From  $a^* \leq \text{coz}(f_{\lambda})^*$  and  $\uparrow a^*$  is a compact frame, we conclude that  $\uparrow z(f_{\lambda})$  is a compact frame for every  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . Hence,  $\{f_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \subseteq \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L) \subseteq \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)$  and  $a \leq \bigvee \text{coz}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L))$ , which implies that  $\mathfrak{c} \leq \bigvee_{f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)} \text{coz}(f)$ , and hence  $\mathfrak{c} = \bigvee_{f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L)} \text{coz}(f)$ .

(2). The proof is similar to the part (1).  $\square$

From the Proposition 5.1, we conclude the following corollary.

**Corollary 5.2.**  *$\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_{\infty}}(L) \neq (0)$  if and only if  $\mathfrak{C} \neq \{\perp\}$  if and only if  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L) \neq (0)$ .*

**Remark 5.3.** Consider  $a \in \mathfrak{C}$  and  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ . Since  $\uparrow a^*$  is a compact frame and

$$\top = \bigvee_{p,q \in \mathbb{Q}} f(p, q) = \bigvee_{p,q \in \mathbb{Q}} f(p, q) \vee a^*,$$

we conclude that there exist  $p, q \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $f(p, q) \vee a^* = \top$ , which follows that  $a \prec f(p, q)$ . Therefore, for any  $a \in \mathfrak{C}$  and any  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  there exist  $p, q \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that  $a \prec\prec f(p, q)$ .

**Remark 5.4.** Let  $J$  be a free ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  and  $a \in \mathfrak{C}$ . Since  $\uparrow a^*$  is a compact frame and

$$\top = \bigvee_{f \in J} \text{coz}(f) = \bigvee_{f \in J} \text{coz}(f) \vee a^*,$$

we conclude that there exists an element  $f$  of  $J$  such that  $\text{coz}(f) \vee a^* = \top$ . Hence, if  $J$  is a free ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  or  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}^*(L)$ , then for every  $a \in \mathfrak{C}$ , there exists an element  $f$  of  $J$  such that  $a \prec\prec \text{coz}(f)$ .

**Lemma 5.5.** *The following statements hold.*

- (1)  $\mathfrak{C}$  is an ideal of  $L$ .
- (2) If  $x \prec a$  then  $x \ll a$  for every  $(x, a) \in L \times \mathfrak{C}$ .
- (3) For any  $a \in \mathfrak{C}$ ,  $a = \bigvee_{x \ll a} x$ .

**Proof.** (1). Consider  $a, b \in L$  such that  $b \leq a$  and  $a \in \mathfrak{C}$ . From  $\uparrow a^*$  is a compact frame and  $a^* \leq b^*$ , we conclude that  $\uparrow b^*$  is a compact frame, which implies that  $b \in \mathfrak{C}$ . Hence  $M$  is a down set in  $L$ . Also, for  $a, b \in \mathfrak{C}$ ,  $\uparrow(a \vee b)^* = \uparrow a^* \wedge \uparrow b^*$  is a compact frame, which implies that  $a \vee b \in \mathfrak{C}$ , that implies  $\mathfrak{C}$  is an up directed subset of  $L$ . Therefore,  $\mathfrak{C}$  is an ideal of  $L$ .

(2). Consider  $(x, a) \in L \times \mathfrak{C}$  with  $x \prec a$ . If  $\{a_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \subseteq L$  such that  $a \leq \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} a_\lambda$ , then

$$\bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (x^* \vee a_\lambda) = x^* \vee \left( \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} a_\lambda \right) = x^* \vee a = \top.$$

From the first statement we conclude  $x \in \mathfrak{C}$ , and hence  $\uparrow x^*$  is a compact frame. Since  $\{(x^* \vee a_\lambda)_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \subseteq \uparrow x^*$ , we infer that there are  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n \in \Lambda$  such that  $\top = x^* \vee (\bigvee_{i=1}^n a_{\lambda_i})$ , which implies that  $x \leq (\bigvee_{i=1}^n a_{\lambda_i})$ . Hence  $x \ll a$ .

(3). Consider  $a \in \mathfrak{C}$ . Since  $L$  is a completely regular frame, we conclude from the statement (2) that  $a = \bigvee_{x \prec a} x = \bigvee_{x \ll a} x$  and so, the proof is now complete.  $\square$

**Proposition 5.6.** *If  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L) \neq (0)$ , then  $\downarrow \mathfrak{c}$  is a locally compact frame.*

**Proof.** Consider  $a \in \downarrow \mathfrak{c}$ . Then  $a = \bigvee_{m \in \mathfrak{C}} (a \wedge m)$ . By Lemma 5.5,  $a \wedge m \in \mathfrak{C}$  and  $a \wedge m = \bigvee_{x \ll a \wedge m} x \leq a$  for every  $m \in \mathfrak{C}$ . Hence  $a = \bigvee_{x \ll a} x$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

Consider  $S \subseteq \mathfrak{C}$  and  $a \in \mathfrak{C}$  is an upper bound of  $S$ . Since  $\bigvee S \leq a$ , we conclude that  $\bigvee S \in \mathfrak{C}$ . Therefore, if  $S \subseteq \mathfrak{C}$  is bounded in  $\mathfrak{C}$ , then  $\bigvee S \in \mathfrak{C}$ .

### 6. The relation between the generated subframe by $\text{coz}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L))$ and $\text{coz}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L))$ in $L$

In this section, we show that  $\text{coz}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L))$  and  $\text{coz}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L))$  are the bases of  $\downarrow \mathfrak{c}$ .

**Lemma 6.1.** *If  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L) \neq (0)$  then the following statements hold.*

- (1) For any  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ , if  $\text{coz}(f) \leq \mathfrak{c}$  then there is a subset  $\{f_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$  such that  $\text{coz}(f) = \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \text{coz}(f_\lambda)$ .
- (2) For any  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ , if  $\text{coz}(f) \leq \mathfrak{c}$  then there is a subset  $\{f_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$  such that  $\text{coz}(f) = \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \text{coz}(f_\lambda)$ .

**Proof.** (1). Consider  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  with  $\text{coz}(f) \leq \mathfrak{c}$ . we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{coz}(f) &= \text{coz}(f) \wedge \mathfrak{c} \\ &= \text{coz}(f) \wedge \left( \bigvee_{g \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)} \text{coz}(g) \right), && \text{by Proposition 5.1} \\ &= \bigvee_{g \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)} (\text{coz}(f) \wedge \text{coz}(g)) \\ &= \bigvee_{g \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)} \text{coz}(fg). \end{aligned}$$

Since, by Lemma 3.5,  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$  is an ideal of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ , we conclude that  $fg \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$  for every  $g \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$  and every  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ .

(2). By the first statement, it is clear.  $\square$

A base  $B$  of a frame  $L$  is a subset of  $L$  such that every element of  $L$  is a join of elements of  $B$ .

**Proposition 6.2.** *If  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L) \neq (0)$  then the following statements hold.*

- (1)  $\text{coz}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L))$  is a base of  $\downarrow \mathbf{c}$ .
- (2)  $\text{coz}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L))$  is a base of  $\downarrow \mathbf{c}$ .

**Proof.** (1). Consider  $x \leq \mathbf{c}$  and  $\{f_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \subseteq \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$  with  $x = \bigvee_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \text{coz}(f_\lambda)$ . Since  $\text{coz}(f_\lambda) \leq x \leq \mathbf{c}$ . Lemma 6.1 implies that there exists a subset  $B_\lambda$  of  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$  such that  $\text{coz}(f_\lambda) = \bigvee_{g \in B_\lambda} \text{coz}(g)$  for every  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . We put  $B = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} B_\lambda$  then  $B \subseteq \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$  and  $x = \bigvee_{g \in B} \text{coz}(g)$ . The proof is now complete.  $\square$

(2). By the first statement, it is clear.  $\square$

By Proposition 6.2, we have the following Corollary.

**Corollary 6.3.** *The subframes produced by  $\text{coz}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L))$  and  $\text{coz}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L))$  in  $L$  are the same.*

## 7. The relationship between $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$ and $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(\downarrow \mathbf{c})$

In this section, we assume that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L) \neq (0)$  and  $\mathbf{c} = \bigvee \mathcal{C}$ .

**Lemma 7.1.** *The map  $\theta : \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(L) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(\downarrow \mathbf{c})$  given by  $\theta(f) = f|_{\mathbf{c}}$  is an  $f$ -ring homomorphism.*

**Proof.** Straightforward.  $\square$

**Lemma 7.2.** *If  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$  then  $f(r, s) \vee \mathbf{c} = \top$  for every  $r, s \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $r < 0 < s$ .*

**Proof.** Consider  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$  and  $r, s \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $r < 0 < s$ . There exists an element  $n$  of  $\mathbb{N}$  such that  $(\frac{-1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) \leq (r, s)$ . Since  $\uparrow f(\frac{-1}{n}, \frac{1}{n})$  is a compact frame, we infer that  $f(-\infty, \frac{-1}{n}] \vee f[\frac{1}{n}, +\infty) \in \mathcal{C}$ , which implies that

$$f(r, s) \vee \mathbf{c} \geq f(\frac{-1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) \vee \mathbf{c} \geq f(\frac{-1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) \vee f(-\infty, \frac{-1}{n}] \vee f[\frac{1}{n}, +\infty) = \top.$$

The proof is now completed.  $\square$

For every  $a, b \in L$ , we put  $[a, b] := \{x \in L : a \leq x \leq b\}$ . Consider  $0 \neq f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$ ,  $r, s \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $r < 0 < s$  and  $S \subseteq [f(r, s) \wedge \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{c}]$  with  $\bigvee S = \mathbf{c}$ . By the Lemma 7.2,

$$\top = \mathbf{c} \vee f(r, s) = \bigvee_{x \in S} (x \vee f(r, s)).$$

Consider  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $(\frac{-1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) \leq (r, s)$ . From  $\uparrow f(\frac{-1}{n}, \frac{1}{n})$  is a compact frame, we conclude that  $\uparrow f(r, s)$  is a compact frame, it implies that there exist  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k \in S$  such that  $\top = f(r, s) \vee \bigvee_{i=1}^k x_i$ . Since  $x_i \in S \subseteq [f(r, s) \wedge \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{c}]$ , we have

$$\mathbf{c} = (\mathbf{c} \wedge f(r, s)) \vee \left( \bigvee_{i=1}^k (\mathbf{c} \wedge x_i) \right) = \bigvee_{i=1}^k x_i \leq \bigvee S = \mathbf{c}.$$

Therefore  $[f(r, s) \wedge \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{c}]$  is a compact frame. Hence  $f|_{\mathbf{c}} \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(\downarrow \mathbf{c})$ , which implies that

$$\theta_\infty = \theta|_{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)} : \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(\downarrow \mathbf{c})$$

is an  $f$ -ring homomorphism. If  $f \in \ker \theta_\infty$ , then  $f|_{\mathbf{c}}(\frac{-1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) = f(\frac{-1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) \wedge \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{c}$ , therefore  $f(\frac{-1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) \geq \mathbf{c}$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . By Lemma 7.2,  $f(\frac{-1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) = f(\frac{-1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) \vee \mathbf{c} = \top$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . We show that  $f = \mathbf{0}$ . C  $0 \neq x \in \mathbb{R}$ , there is an element  $m$  in  $\mathbb{N}$ , such that  $x \notin (-\frac{1}{m}, \frac{1}{m})$ , we infer that

$$f(\{x\}) = f(\{x\}) \wedge \top = f(\{x\}) \wedge f(-\frac{1}{m}, \frac{1}{m}) = \perp.$$

We infer that  $f = \mathbf{0}$ . Hence, we have

**Proposition 7.3.** *The map*

$$\theta_\infty := \theta|_{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)} : \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(\downarrow \mathbf{c})$$

*is an  $f$ -ring monomorphism.*

In what follows, for every  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(\downarrow \mathbf{c})$ , we define the real-trail  $\hat{t}_f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow L$  on  $L$  by

$$\hat{t}_f(x) = \begin{cases} f(\{x\}) \vee \mathbf{c}^* & \text{if } x = 0 \\ f(\{x\}) & \text{if } x \neq 0. \end{cases}$$

**Lemma 7.4.** *If  $\mathbf{c}$  is complemented and  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}}(\downarrow \mathbf{c})$  then the following statements hold.*

- (1)  $\text{coz}(\varphi_{\hat{t}_f}) = \text{coz}(f)$  and  $z(\varphi_{\hat{t}_f}) = z(f) \vee \mathbf{c}'$ .
- (2)  $\varphi_{\hat{t}_f}|_{\mathbf{c}} = f$ .
- (3)  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(\downarrow \mathbf{c})$  if and only if  $\varphi_{\hat{t}_f} \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$ .

**Proof.** (1) and (2) are clear.

(3). If  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(\downarrow \mathbf{c})$ , then  $[f(-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}), \mathbf{c}]$  is compact, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Hence  $\uparrow(f(-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}) \vee \mathbf{c}') = \uparrow\varphi_{\hat{t}_f}(-\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n})$  is compact for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , therefore  $\varphi_{\hat{t}_f} \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$ . Conversely, if  $\varphi_{\hat{t}_f} \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$  then, by the second statement and Proposition 7.3,  $\varphi_{\hat{t}_f}|_{\mathbf{c}} = f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 7.5.** *If  $\mathbf{c}$  is complemented, then*

$$\theta_\infty := \theta|_{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L)} : \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(\downarrow \mathbf{c})$$

*is an  $f$ -ring isomorphism.*

**Proof.** By Proposition 7.3 and lemma 7.4,  $\theta_\infty$  is an  $f$ -ring isomorphism.  $\square$

**Proposition 7.6.** *If  $\mathbf{c}$  is complemented, then there is a locally compact frame  $L'$  such that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L) \cong \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_\infty}(L')$ .*

**Proof.** We consider  $L' = \downarrow \mathbf{c}$ , by Propositions 5.6 and 7.5, it is obvious.  $\square$

**Lemma 7.7.** *If  $\mathbf{c}$  is complemented, then  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(\downarrow \mathbf{c})$  if and only if  $\varphi_{\hat{t}_f} \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$ .*

**Proof.**  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(\downarrow \mathbf{c})$  if and only if  $[z(f), \mathbf{c}]$  is compact if and only if  $\uparrow(z(f) \vee \mathbf{c}')$  is compact if and only if  $\uparrow z(\varphi_{\hat{t}_f})$  is compact, by Lemma 7.4, if and only if  $\varphi_{\hat{t}_f} \in \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 7.8.** *If  $\mathbf{c}$  is complemented, then*

$$\theta_K := \theta|_{\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L)} : \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(\downarrow \mathbf{c})$$

*is an  $f$ -ring isomorphism.*

**Proof.** By Proposition 7.5 and Lemma 7.7,  $\theta_K$  is an  $f$ -ring isomorphism.  $\square$

**Proposition 7.9.** *If  $\mathbf{c}$  is complemented, then there is a locally compact frame  $L'$  such that  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L) \cong \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{P}_K}(L')$ .*

**Proof.** Put  $L' = \downarrow \mathbf{c}$ .  $\square$

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