



Some variants of remote sublocales

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Abstract. We introduce and study some variants of remote sublocales, namely sublocales that are remote from dense sublocales and those that are \ast remote from dense sublocales. We show that the coframe of sublocales coincides with the collection of all sublocales remote from the Booleanization. Furthermore, the supplement of the Booleanization of any locale is the largest sublocale \ast remote from the Booleanization. We give conditions on localic maps such that their induced localic image and pre-image functions preserve sublocales that are remote (resp. \ast remote) from dense sublocales. We introduce new types of localic maps called f -remote preserving maps and study some of their properties.

1. Introduction

In 1962, Fine and Gillman [13] defined a *remote point* as a point $p \in \beta\mathbb{R}$ such that $p \notin \overline{N}^{\beta\mathbb{R}}$ for any discrete $N \subseteq \mathbb{R}$. Woods [23], in 1971, showed that in a metric space X , a point $p \in \beta X \setminus X$ is remote if and only if $p \notin \overline{N}^{\beta X}$ for every nowhere dense $N \subseteq X$. Van Douwen [5], in 1981, gave several characterizations of these points, and Dube [8], in 2009, investigated remote points in the category of frames. In 1982, Van Mill [18] defined a *remote collection* as a collection of closed subsets of a Tychonoff space in which some member of the collection misses every nowhere dense subset of the space. This was extended to the category of locales by the author in [20]. A sublocale is *remote* in case it misses every nowhere dense sublocale. In this article, we introduce some types of remote sublocales, namely sublocales that are remote from dense sublocales and those that are \ast remote from dense sublocales.

This article is organized as follows. The first section consists of preliminaries. Sublocales that are remote from dense sublocales and those that are \ast remote from dense sublocales are introduced in the second section. We characterize them and compare their classes with the class of remote sublocales. The third section focuses on a relationship between these variants of remoteness with the Booleanization of a locale. We show that the supplement of the Booleanization of any locale is the largest sublocale \ast remote from the Booleanization. The fourth section considers preservation and reflection of remote (resp. \ast remote) sublocales by localic maps. The work done in this section extends to the fifth section where we discuss f -remote preserving and f - \ast remote preserving localic maps. We give the condition that f -remote preserving maps are precisely those that preserve remote sublocales.

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2. Preliminaries

2.1. Locales and Sublocales

For basic locale/frame theory, see [21] and [15]. By a *locale (or frame)*, we refer to a complete lattice L satisfying the following infinite distributive property:

$$a \wedge \bigvee_{i \in I} c_i = \bigvee_{i \in I} (a \wedge c_i)$$

for all $a \in L$ and for all $\{c_i : i \in I\} \subseteq L$. We shall use the terms frame and locale interchangeably, though one must be quick to point out that the same does not apply for subframe and sublocale. The *top* element and the *bottom* element of a locale L will be denoted by 1_L and 0_L , respectively, with subscripts dropped when L is clear from the context. An element p of L is a *point* provided that $p < 1$ and $a \wedge b \leq p$ implies that either $a \leq p$ or $b \leq p$, for each $a, b \in L$. The *pseudocomplement* of an element $a \in L$ is defined by

$$a^* = \bigvee \{x \in L : x \wedge a = 0\}.$$

It satisfies the property: $a \wedge a^* = 0$. If $a^* = 0$, then a is *dense* and if $a \vee a^* = 1$, then a is *complemented*. A *Boolean locale* is one in which every element is complemented. For any $a, b \in L$, we say that a is *completely below* b in L and write $a \ll b$ if there are $a_r \in L$ (r rational, $0 \leq r \leq 1$) such that $a_0 = a$, $a_1 = b$ and $a_r < a_s$ for $r < s$. A locale is *completely regular* if each of its elements is the join of elements completely below it.

A *sublocale* of a locale L is a subset $S \subseteq L$ such that (i) S is closed under all meets, and (ii) $x \rightarrow s \in S$ for all $x \in L$ and $s \in S$, where \rightarrow is the Heyting operation on L satisfying:

$$a \leq b \rightarrow c \quad \text{if and only if} \quad a \wedge b \leq c$$

for every $a, b, c \in L$. We denote by $\mathcal{S}(L)$ the coframe of sublocales of a locale L . The *smallest sublocale* of L is the sublocale $\mathbf{O} = \{1\}$. A sublocale S of L is *void* if $S = \mathbf{O}$, otherwise it is *non-void*. We shall use the prefix \mathcal{S} - for localic properties defined on a sublocale S of L . A sublocale $S \subseteq L$ is *complemented* if it has a complement in $\mathcal{S}(L)$. We denote by

$$L \setminus S = \bigvee \{T \in \mathcal{S}(L) : T \cap S = \mathbf{O}\}$$

the *supplement* of a sublocale $S \subseteq L$. The sublocales

$$c_L(a) = \{x \in L : a \leq x\} \quad \text{and} \quad o_L(a) = \{a \rightarrow x : x \in L\}$$

are, respectively, the *closed* and the *open* sublocales induced by $a \in L$, and are complements of each other. To refer to a closed and open sublocale of a sublocale S of L , we shall, respectively, write $c_S(a)$ and $o_S(a)$. The *closure* of $S \in \mathcal{S}(L)$ is given by

$$\bar{S} = c\left(\bigwedge S\right)$$

and S is *dense* if $\bar{S} = L$ (equivalently, if $0_L \in S$). We shall write \bar{N}^S for the closure of a sublocale N taken in a sublocale S of a locale L . The *Booleanization* of L is the sublocale $\mathfrak{B}(L) = \{x \rightarrow 0 : x \in L\}$, and is the smallest dense sublocale of L . A noteworthy result about dense sublocales is that pseudocomplementation on a dense sublocale is precisely that in the locale. This is so because, if A is a dense sublocale of L and $x \in A$, then writing x^{*A} for the pseudocomplement of x in A , we have the equalities

$$x^{*A} = x \rightarrow_A 0_A = x \rightarrow 0_L = x^*.$$

This means $\mathfrak{B}S = \mathfrak{B}L$ for a dense sublocale S of L . By Plewe [22], A sublocale S of L is *nowhere dense* if $S \cap \mathfrak{B}L = \mathbf{O}$. By Dube [6], for each $a \in L$, $c_L(a)$ is nowhere dense if and only if a is dense. More generally, a sublocale N of a locale L is nowhere dense if and only if $\bigwedge N$ is dense in L , by [20].

A *localic map* is an infima preserving map between locales such that the corresponding left adjoints preserve finite meets. Associated with every localic map is its left adjoint called a *frame homomorphism*

which preserves binary meets and arbitrary joins. We shall write $f : L \rightarrow M$ for a localic map and f^* for its left adjoint. On the other hand, when α is given as a frame homomorphism we shall write α_* for the corresponding localic map or right adjoint (of α). A frame homomorphism $f^* : M \rightarrow L$ is called *dense* in case it maps only the bottom element to the bottom element; a *quotient map* provided that it is surjective; an *extension* if it is a dense quotient map; and *closed* if $f(x \vee f^*(y)) = f(x) \vee y$ for all $x \in L$ and $y \in M$. Clearly, a localic map $f : L \rightarrow M$ is dense if and only if $f[S]$ is dense in M for every dense sublocale S of L . According to Dube [7], a *nowhere dense* map is a frame homomorphism $f^* : M \rightarrow L$ in which for each non-zero $x \in M$ there is a non-zero $y \in M$ with $y \leq x$ such that $f^*(y) = 0_L$. A *nucleus* is a mapping $\nu : L \rightarrow L$ satisfying (i) $a \leq \nu(a)$, (ii) $a \leq b$ implies $\nu(a) \leq \nu(b)$, (iii) $\nu\nu(a) = \nu(a)$, and (iv) $\nu(a \wedge b) = \nu(a) \wedge \nu(b)$ for all $a, b \in L$. The set $\text{Fix}(\nu) = \{a \in L : \nu(a) = a\}$ is a locale with meets in L . Every sublocale $S \subseteq L$ is associated with the quotient map $\nu_S : L \rightarrow S$ defined by

$$\nu_S(a) = \bigwedge \{s \in S : a \leq s\}.$$

For each $a \in L$ and $S \in \mathcal{S}(L)$, $\nu_S(\nu_S(a)) = S \cap \nu_L(a)$ and $\nu_S(\nu_S(a)) = S \cap \nu_L(a)$.

Each localic map $f : L \rightarrow M$ induces the maps

$$f[-] : \mathcal{S}(L) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}(M) \text{ and } f_{-1}[-] : \mathcal{S}(M) \rightarrow \mathcal{S}(L)$$

which are called the *localic image function* induced by f and the *localic preimage function* induced by f , respectively. The maps $f[-]$ and $f_{-1}[-]$ form an adjunction.

2.2. On βL , λL and νL

Refer to [1, 2, 10, 16] for more details on βL , λL and νL . We represent by βL the Stone-Čech compactification of a completely regular locale L . The frame homomorphism $\beta_L : \beta L \rightarrow L$, defined by $I \mapsto \bigvee I$, is an extension with its right adjoint denoted by r_L . For any localic map $f : L \rightarrow M$ between completely regular locales L and M , there is a localic map $\beta(f) : \beta L \rightarrow \beta M$ defined by

$$\beta(f) : I \mapsto \bigvee \{J \in \beta M : h(J) \subseteq I\}$$

with its left adjoint $\beta(f)^*$ given by

$$\beta(f)^* : J \mapsto \{x \in L : x \leq f^*(y) \text{ for some } y \in J\}.$$

A *cozero* element of a locale L is an element $a \in L$ satisfying

$$a = \bigvee \{x_n : x_n \ll a\}$$

for some sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in L . We use $\text{Coz} L$ to denote the *cozero part* of L . By a σ -*ideal* of a locale L we refer to an ideal of L which is closed under countable joins. The *regular Lindelöf reflection* of L is the locale of σ -ideals of $\text{Coz} L$ and is denoted by λL . The join map $\lambda_L : \lambda L \rightarrow L$ is an extension. We define the extension $k_L : \beta L \rightarrow \lambda L$ by $I \mapsto \langle I \rangle_\sigma$, where $\langle \cdot \rangle$ signifies σ -ideal generation in $\text{Coz} L$.

For a completely regular locale L , the *realcompact reflection* of L is the locale νL defined to be $\text{Fix}(\ell)$, where

$$\ell : \lambda L \rightarrow \lambda L, I \mapsto \left[\bigvee I \right] \wedge \bigwedge \{P \in \text{Pt}(\lambda L) : I \leq P\}.$$

The join map $\nu_L : \nu L \rightarrow L$ is an extension and $\ell_L : \lambda L \rightarrow \nu L$ is an extension effected by ℓ .

When βL is regarded as the locale of regular ideals of $\text{Coz} L$, we get the following commuting diagram

in the category of completely regular locales whose morphisms are localic maps between them.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 L & & & & M \\
 & \searrow^{(v_L)_*} & & & \swarrow_{(v_M)_*} \\
 & & vL & \xrightarrow{v(f)} & vM \\
 & \searrow^{(\lambda_L)_*} & \downarrow_{(\ell_L)_*} & & \swarrow_{(\lambda_M)_*} \\
 & & \lambda L & \xrightarrow{\lambda(f)} & \lambda M \\
 & \swarrow_{(\kappa_L)_*} & & & \searrow_{(\kappa_M)_*} \\
 \beta L & & & & \beta M \\
 & \xrightarrow{\beta f} & & &
 \end{array}
 \tag{1}$$

By a γ -lift we mean the localic morphism $\gamma(f) : \gamma L \rightarrow \gamma M$, where $\gamma \in \{\beta, \lambda, v\}$.

3. Remoteness from a dense sublocale

This section focuses on some variants of remoteness which are defined with respect to dense sublocales.

We remind the reader that prefix S - will be used to indicate a localic property defined in a sublocale S of a locale L . For instance, if S is a sublocale of a locale L and $N \in \mathcal{S}(S)$, then S -nowhere dense N means that N is nowhere dense in a sublocale S of L .

Definition 3.1. Let $S \subseteq L$ be a dense sublocale of L . Then

1. $T \in \mathcal{S}(L)$ is remote from S if $T \cap \overline{N} = \mathbf{O}$ for every S -nowhere dense $N \in \mathcal{S}(S)$.
2. A sublocale $T \subseteq L \setminus S$ is $*$ remote from S if $T \cap \overline{N} = \mathbf{O}$ for every S -nowhere dense $N \in \mathcal{S}(S)$.

We note some examples.

Example 3.2. (1) \mathbf{O} is remote from every dense sublocale of a locale L .

(2) Recall from [8] that a point I of βL is remote provided that $I \vee r(h_*(\mathbf{0})) = \top$ for every nowhere dense quotient map $h : L \rightarrow M$. It is easy to see that a point $I \in \beta L$ is remote if and only if $c(I)$ is remote from L .

(3) In **Top**, we say that $A \subseteq X \setminus Y$, where Y is a dense subspace of X , is $*$ remote from Y in case $A \cap \overline{N}^X = \emptyset$ for all nowhere dense subsets N of Y . For a Tychonoff space X , a point $p \in \beta X \setminus X$ is remote if and only if $\{p\}$ is $*$ remote from X .

(4) Consider the three-element chain $\mathbf{3} = \{1, 0, a\}$. Clearly, $v_3(a)$ is a dense sublocale of $\mathbf{3}$ whose supplement contains $c_3(a)$. We also have that $c_3(a)$ is $*$ remote from $v_3(a)$. In fact, by [19, Proposition 5.3.], $c_3(a)$ is remote from $v_3(a)$ and is also a remote sublocale of $v_3(a)$.

(5) For each $A, B \in \mathcal{S}(L)$, if $A \subseteq B$ and B is remote from S , then A is remote from S .

Denote by $\mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$ and $^*\mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$ the collections of sublocales that are remote and $*$ remote from a dense sublocale S , respectively.

We characterize members of $\mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$ and $^*\mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$. Recall that for each $S \in \mathcal{S}(L)$ and any $a \in S$, $\overline{c_S(a)} = c_L(\bigwedge (c_S(a))) = c_L(a)$.

Theorem 3.3. Let $S \in \mathcal{S}(L)$ be dense and $A \in \mathcal{S}(L)$ (resp. $A \in \mathcal{S}(L \setminus S)$). The following statements are equivalent.

1. $A \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$ (resp. $A \in ^*\mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$).
2. For all S -dense $x \in S$, $A \cap c_L(x) = \mathbf{O}$.
3. For all S -dense $x \in S$, $A \subseteq v_L(x)$.

4. For every S -dense $x \in S$, $v_A(x) = 1$.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2): Let $x \in S$ be S -dense. Then $c_S(x)$ is S -nowhere dense. By (1),

$$\mathbf{O} = A \cap \overline{c_S(x)} = A \cap c_L(x).$$

(2) \Rightarrow (3): This follows since for all $x \in S$, $A \cap c_L(x) = \mathbf{O}$ if and only if $A \subseteq v_L(x)$.

(3) \Rightarrow (4): This is true because for any $x \in S$, $v_A(x) = 1$ if and only if $A \subseteq v_L(x)$.

(4) \Rightarrow (1): Let $N \in \mathcal{S}(S)$ be S -nowhere dense. Then $\bigwedge N$ is S -dense. By (4), $v_A(\bigwedge N) = 1$ so that

$$\mathbf{O} = c_A(v_A(\bigwedge N)) = A \cap c_L(\bigwedge N) = A \cap \overline{N}$$

as required. \square

Comment 3.4. The equivalence of (4) in Theorem 3.3 tells us that, A is remote (resp. $*$ remote) from S if and only if it is contained in every open dense sublocale of L induced by an element of S . The characterization (3) in Theorem 3.3 is reminiscent of the characterization of the remote sublocales of L as precisely those that are contained in every dense sublocale of L .

The preceding theorem leads us to the following example of a sublocale of L which is remote from a dense sublocale S .

Example 3.5. Set

$$\text{Nd}(S) = \bigvee \{N \in \mathcal{S}(S) : N \text{ is } S\text{-nowhere dense}\}.$$

If S is a dense sublocale of L , then the sublocale $L \setminus \overline{\text{Nd}(S)}$ is remote from S . To see this, choose an S -dense $x \in S$, then $c_S(x)$ is S -nowhere dense and contained in $\text{Nd}(S)$, so that $\overline{c_S(x)} = c_L(x) \subseteq \overline{\text{Nd}(S)}$. Therefore $c_L(x) \cap (L \setminus \overline{\text{Nd}(S)}) = \mathbf{O}$. By Theorem 3.3(2), $L \setminus \overline{\text{Nd}(S)}$ is remote from S .

Observe that $L \setminus \overline{\text{Nd}(S)}$ may be different from \mathbf{O} . Consider a dense sublocale $S \in \mathcal{S}(L)$ where $\text{Nd}(S)$ is S -nowhere dense and $L \neq \mathbf{O}$ (for instance, a locale whose Booleanization is complemented, see [11, Corollary 4.16]). Since $\text{Nd}(S)$ is the largest S -nowhere dense sublocale and its closure in S is S -nowhere dense, $\text{Nd}(S) = \overline{\text{Nd}(S)}^S$ making it S -closed nowhere dense. Because S is dense in L , $\text{Nd}(S)$ is nowhere dense in L so that $\overline{\text{Nd}(S)}$ is nowhere dense in L . Therefore $L \neq \overline{\text{Nd}(S)}$ which means that $L \setminus \overline{\text{Nd}(S)} \neq \mathbf{O}$.

Since the set $\mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S)$ does not restrict where its members come from, we have the following immediate connection between $\mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S)$ and $*\mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S)$.

Proposition 3.6. For every dense sublocale S of a locale L , $*\mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S) \subseteq \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S)$.

Observation 3.7. For a non-void Boolean locale L , we have that $*\mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times L) \subset \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times L)$. This is because $L \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times L)$ but L is not contained in $L \setminus L = \mathbf{O}$.

Remark 3.8. In an attempt to obtain an equality in Proposition 3.6, we start by recalling from [22] that a sublocale is rare if its supplement is the whole locale. Restricting our sublocales to dense and rare sublocales yields the following:

If S is a dense and rare sublocale of a locale L , then $*\mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S) = \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S)$.

Sublocales which are simultaneously dense and rare do exist. For instance, recall that Plewe in [22] defines a locale to be dense in itself if every Boolean sublocale has a dense supplement. He then shows that a locale is dense in itself if and only if its Booleanization is rare. The locale $\mathfrak{D}(\mathbb{R})$, where \mathbb{R} is the set of real numbers, is an example of a dense in itself locale. This follows from the fact that the space \mathbb{R} is dense in itself (because it has no isolated points) and since, according to [22], every sober space is dense in itself if and only if its locale of opens is dense in itself, the real line being sober and dense in itself makes $\mathfrak{D}(\mathbb{R})$ dense in itself. So, the Booleanization of $\mathfrak{D}(\mathbb{R})$ is both dense and rare.

We have the following relationship between the collection $\mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L) = \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times L)$ of all remote sublocales of a locale L and $\mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S)$.

Proposition 3.9. *Let L be a locale. Then $\mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L) \subseteq \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S)$ for every dense sublocale S of L .*

Proof. This is true because a remote sublocale of L misses the closure of every nowhere dense sublocale of L , and hence misses the closure of every nowhere dense sublocale of S since S is a dense sublocale of L . \square

The following result shows a relationship between the collections $\mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(S) = \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(S \times S)$ and $\mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S)$.

Proposition 3.10. *Let S be a dense sublocale of a locale L . Then*

$$\mathcal{S}(S) \cap \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S) = \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(S).$$

Proof. $\mathcal{S}(S) \cap \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S) \subseteq \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(S)$: Let $A \in \mathcal{S}(S) \cap \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S)$ and choose an S -nowhere dense $N \in \mathcal{S}(S)$. Then $A \cap \overline{N} = \mathbf{O}$ which implies that $A \cap N = \mathbf{O}$. Thus $A \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(S)$.

$\mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(S) \subseteq \mathcal{S}(S) \cap \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S)$: Let $A \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(S)$ and choose an S -nowhere dense N . Then \overline{N}^S is S -nowhere dense so that $\mathbf{O} = A \cap \overline{N}^S = A \cap \overline{N} \cap S = A \cap \overline{N}$. Thus $A \in \mathcal{S}(S) \cap \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S)$. \square

We close this section with a discussion of elements inducing closed sublocales that are remote and *remote from dense sublocales.

Set

$$\text{Rem}(L \times S) = \{a \in L : c_L(a) \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S)\}$$

and

$$*\text{Rem}(L \times S) = \{a \in L : c_L(a) \in *\mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S)\}.$$

We give the following proposition, the proof of which follows easily from the definitions.

Proposition 3.11. *Let $S \in \mathcal{S}(L)$ be dense.*

1. $a \in \text{Rem}(L \times S)$ iff $a \vee x = 1$ for all dense $x \in S$.
2. For $c_L(a) \subseteq L \setminus S$, $a \in *\text{Rem}(L \times S)$ iff $a \vee x = 1$ for all dense $x \in S$.

4. Connection between the Booleanization and Remoteness from dense sublocales

We begin this section with the following observation:

Proposition 4.1. *Let L be a locale. Then $\mathfrak{B}L$ is remote from every dense sublocale of L .*

Proof. This follows since $\mathfrak{B}L$ is a remote sublocale of L so that, by Proposition 3.9, it is remote from every dense sublocale of L . \square

The above result tells us that $\mathfrak{B}L \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times \mathfrak{B}L)$. In what follows we show that $\mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times \mathfrak{B}L)$ is in fact the whole coframe $\mathcal{S}(L)$. Observe that if K is a dense sublocale of L , then $\mathfrak{B}L = \mathfrak{B}K$, as a consequence, a sublocale of K is nowhere dense in K if and only if it is nowhere dense in L .

Proposition 4.2. *Let L be a locale. Then $\mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times \mathfrak{B}L) = \mathcal{S}(L)$.*

Proof. If $A \in \mathcal{S}(L)$ and $N \in \mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{B}L)$ is nowhere dense in $\mathfrak{B}L$, then $N = \mathbf{O}$ which implies that $A \cap \overline{N} = \mathbf{O}$. Thus $A \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times \mathfrak{B}L)$. Hence $\mathcal{S}(L) \subseteq \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times \mathfrak{B}L)$, making $\mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times \mathfrak{B}L) = \mathcal{S}(L)$ since the other containment always holds. \square

Observation 4.3. Using Proposition 4.2 and the fact that $L \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L)$ if and only if L is Boolean (from [20, Proposition 3.5.]), it is easy to see that for a non-Boolean locale L , $L \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times \mathfrak{B}L)$ but $L \notin \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L)$. This is a particular case where we do not have equality in Proposition 3.9. However, $\mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times L) = \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L)$.

It turns out that the Booleanization is the only sublocale remote from itself, as we show below.

Theorem 4.4. Let S be a dense sublocale of L . The following statements are equivalent.

1. $S \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$.
2. $S = \mathfrak{B}L$.
3. L is remote from S .

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2): Let N be S -nowhere dense. Then since $S \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$, $S \cap \overline{N} = \mathbf{O}$ which implies that $\mathbf{O} = S \cap N = N$. This makes S Boolean. So, $S = \mathfrak{B}L$ because the only dense Boolean sublocale of L is $\mathfrak{B}L$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3): Since \mathbf{O} is the only nowhere dense sublocale of $\mathfrak{B}L$, we have that $L \cap \overline{N} = \mathbf{O}$ for every nowhere dense sublocale N of $\mathfrak{B}L = S$.

(3) \Rightarrow (1): Let N be a nowhere dense sublocale of S . Since L is remote from S , $L \cap \overline{N} = \mathbf{O}$, making $N = \mathbf{O}$. Hence $S \cap \overline{N} = \mathbf{O}$ so that $S \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$. \square

We showed in [20] that the Booleanization is the largest remote sublocale of a locale. We work towards establishing a relationship between the Booleanization and the largest sublocale that is remote from dense sublocales. Using Theorem 3.3(2), one can easily see that the join of remote sublocales is remote. This tells us that every locale has the largest sublocale which is remote from a specific dense sublocale. For $S \in \mathcal{S}(L)$ dense in L , set

$$Rs(L \times S) = \bigvee \{A \in \mathcal{S}(L) : A \text{ is remote from } S\}.$$

Remark 4.5. Proposition 4.2 tells us that $L = Rs(L \times \mathfrak{B}L)$.

Lemma 4.6. Let L be a locale. If $A \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$, then $A \cap S \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L)$.

Proof. Assume that $A \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$ and let N be nowhere dense in L . Since $N \cap S \subseteq N$, $N \cap S$ is nowhere dense in L which in turns makes it S -nowhere dense. By hypothesis, $A \cap \overline{S \cap N} = \mathbf{O}$. This makes $(A \cap S) \cap N = \mathbf{O}$. Thus $A \cap S \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L)$. \square

Theorem 4.7. For a dense sublocale S of a locale L , $Rs(L \times S) \cap S = \mathfrak{B}L$.

Proof. $\mathfrak{B}L \subseteq Rs(L \times S) \cap S$: This is true because $\mathfrak{B}L$ is remote from S and $\mathfrak{B}L \subseteq S$ by density of S . For the other containment, using Lemma 4.6 we get that $Rs(L \times S) \cap S \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L)$. $\mathfrak{B}L$ being the largest remote sublocale of L gives $Rs(L \times S) \cap S \subseteq \mathfrak{B}L$. Thus $Rs(L \times S) \cap S = \mathfrak{B}L$. \square

Observation 4.8. The statement “ $Rs(L \times S) = \mathfrak{B}L$ for every dense sublocale S of L ” is not true for a non-Boolean locale L . Otherwise, $\mathfrak{B}L = Rs(L \times \mathfrak{B}L) = L$ where the latter equality follows from Remark 4.5, which is not possible.

We noticed in Example 3.5 that $L \setminus \overline{Nd(S)}$ is remote from a dense sublocale S of L . A question about a relationship between the sublocales $L \setminus \overline{Nd(S)}$ and $Rs(L \times S)$ arises. We address this in the following result.

Proposition 4.9. Let S be a dense sublocale of a locale L . The following statements are equivalent:

1. $Rs(L \times S) = L \setminus \overline{Nd(S)}$.
2. $Nd(S)$ is S -nowhere dense.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2): Assume that $Rs(L \times S) = L \setminus \overline{Nd(S)}$. Since $\mathfrak{B}L \subseteq Rs(L \times S)$, we have that $\mathfrak{B}L \subseteq L \setminus \overline{Nd(S)}$. Therefore $\mathfrak{B}L \cap \overline{Nd(S)} = \mathbf{O}$ which implies that $\mathfrak{B}L \cap Nd(S) = \mathbf{O}$, making $\bigwedge Nd(S)$ dense in L . But S is dense, so $v_S(\bigwedge Nd(S)) = \bigwedge Nd(S)$ is S -dense. It follows that $Nd(S)$ is S -nowhere dense.

(2) \Rightarrow (1): We show that $Rs(L \times S) \subseteq L \setminus \overline{Nd(S)}$. $Nd(S)$ being S -nowhere dense implies that $Rs(L \times S) \cap \overline{Nd(S)} = \mathbf{O}$. This gives $Rs(L \times S) \subseteq L \setminus \overline{Nd(S)}$ as required. \square

We noticed in Observation 4.8 that for a non-Boolean locale L , $\mathfrak{B}L \neq \text{Rs}(L \times \mathfrak{B}L)$. For $*$ remoteness, we show in Theorem 4.12 that the supplement of $\mathfrak{B}L$, for any locale L , is the largest sublocale $*$ remote from $\mathfrak{B}L$. Just like in the case of $\text{Rs}(L \times S)$, set

$$*\text{Rs}(L \times S) = \bigvee \{A \in \mathcal{S}(L) : A \text{ is } * \text{remote from } S\}$$

for a dense sublocale S of L .

Lemma 4.10. $*\mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times \mathfrak{B}L) = \{T \in \mathcal{S}(L) : T \subseteq L \setminus \mathfrak{B}L\}$ for every locale L .

Observation 4.11. (1) From Lemma 4.10, observe that when L is not dense in itself, we get another case where $*\mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S) \neq \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$. This is because we have that $L \neq L \setminus \mathfrak{B}L$ so that by Proposition 4.2, $L \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times \mathfrak{B}L)$ but $L \notin *\mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times \mathfrak{B}L)$.

(2) A locale is dense in itself if and only if it is $*$ remote from its Booleanization: Observe that L is dense in itself if and only if $\mathfrak{B}L$ is rare if and only if $L \subseteq L \setminus \mathfrak{B}L$ if and only if $L \in \{T \in \mathcal{S}(L) : T \subseteq L \setminus \mathfrak{B}L\} = *\mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times \mathfrak{B}L)$, where the last equality holds by Lemma 4.10.

Theorem 4.12. Let L be a locale. Then $*\text{Rs}(L \times \mathfrak{B}L) = L \setminus \mathfrak{B}L$.

Proof. This is true because, by Lemma 4.10, $L \setminus \mathfrak{B}L \in *\mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times \mathfrak{B}L)$, making $L \setminus \mathfrak{B}L \subseteq *\text{Rs}(L \times \mathfrak{B}L)$. Also all $*$ remote sublocales (including $*\text{Rs}(L \times \mathfrak{B}L)$) belong to the set $\{T \in \mathcal{S}(L) : T \subseteq L \setminus \mathfrak{B}L\}$. \square

5. Preservation and reflection of sublocales that are remote (resp. $*$ remote) from dense sublocales

In this section we discuss localic maps that send back and forth the sublocales introduced in Definition 3.1.

Consider a commuting diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 S & \xrightarrow{g} & T \\
 \alpha \downarrow & & \downarrow \omega \\
 L & \xrightarrow{f} & M
 \end{array} \tag{2}$$

where S, T, L and M are locales, f and g are localic maps and the downward morphisms are dense injective localic maps. Our discussion will assume the setting we just described. We commented in the preliminaries that a localic map $k : P \rightarrow Q$ is dense if and only if $k[P]$ is a dense sublocale of Q . So, $\alpha[S]$ and $\omega[T]$ are dense sublocales of L and M , respectively. Since for a quotient map $v : W \rightarrow Y$, $v_* : Y \rightarrow v_*[Y]$ is an isomorphism, we will sometimes write S and T for the sublocales $\alpha[S]$ and $\omega[T]$, respectively.

For $*$ remoteness, we note that, $A \cap \alpha[S] = \mathbf{0}$ implies $A \subseteq L \setminus \alpha[S]$ but $A \subseteq L \setminus \alpha[S]$ does not always imply that A misses $\alpha[S]$ unless $\alpha[S]$ is complemented. We will sometimes treat these cases differently.

We start by synthesizing a description of localic maps that preserve remoteness and $*$ remoteness from dense sublocales. For the following result, we recall from [12] that a localic map $f : L \rightarrow M$ takes A -remainder to B -remainder if $f[L \setminus A] \subseteq M \setminus B$ where $A \in \mathcal{S}(L)$, $B \in \mathcal{S}(M)$. We shall write $f : L \rightarrow M$ takes S -remainder to T -remainder to mean that f takes $\alpha[S]$ -remainder to $\omega[T]$ -remainder. Recall from [17] that a frame homomorphism $f^* : M \rightarrow L$ is said to be *weakly closed* in case $a \vee f^*(b) = 1$ implies $f(a) \vee b = 1$ for every $a \in L$ and $b \in M$. Banaschewski and Pultr [3] call a frame homomorphism $f^* : M \rightarrow L$ *skeletal* if $f^*(a^{**}) \leq (f^*(a))^{**}$ for all $a \in M$. We shall make use of the following equivalent condition of a skeletal frame homomorphism which was proved in the cited paper:

f^* sends dense elements to dense elements.

Proposition 5.1. Assume that g^* , for g in diagram 2, is skeletal and $f^* \circ \omega = \alpha \circ g^*$. Then

1. $f[\mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)] \subseteq \mathcal{S}_{rem}(M \times T)$.
2. If f^* is weakly closed, then $f[\text{Rem}(L \times S)] \subseteq \text{Rem}(M \times T)$.

Proof. (1) Let $A \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$ and choose an $\omega[T]$ -dense $y \in \omega[T]$. Then $y = \omega(t)$ for some $t \in T$. Because g^* is skeletal, we have that $g^*(t)$ is S -dense so that $\alpha(g^*(t))$ is $\alpha[S]$ -dense since $\alpha : S \rightarrow \alpha[S]$ is an isomorphism. Therefore $\mathbf{O} = A \cap \mathfrak{c}_L(\alpha(g^*(t))) = A \cap \mathfrak{c}_L(f^*(\omega(t)))$ where the latter equality follows since $f^* \circ \omega = \alpha \circ g^*$. Therefore

$$A \subseteq \mathfrak{v}_L(f^*(\omega(t))) = f_{-1}[\mathfrak{v}_M(\omega(t))] = f_{-1}[\mathfrak{v}_M(y)].$$

We get that $f[A] \subseteq f[f_{-1}[\mathfrak{v}_M(y)]] \subseteq \mathfrak{v}_L(y)$. This tells us that $f[A]$ is contained in every open sublocale induced by an $\omega[T]$ -dense element, so by Theorem 3.3(3), $f[A] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(M \times T)$.

(2) Let $x \in \text{Rem}(L \times S)$ and choose an $\omega[T]$ -dense $t \in \omega[T]$. Therefore $t = \omega(y)$ for some $y \in T$. Since g^* is skeletal, $g^*(y)$ is S -dense, making $\alpha(g^*(y))$ $\alpha[S]$ -dense. It follows that $\alpha(g^*(y)) \vee x = 1$. Because $\alpha \circ g^* = f^* \circ \omega$, $f^*(\omega(y)) \vee x = 1$. The weakly closedness of f^* implies that $1_M = \omega(y) \vee f(x) = t \vee f(x)$. Thus $f(x) \in \text{Rem}(M \times T)$. \square

Observation 5.2. In terms of γ -lifts, the condition $f^* \circ \omega = \alpha \circ g^*$ on f resembles that of a γ -map which was defined in [10] as a frame homomorphism $t : M \rightarrow L$ that satisfies $\gamma(t) \circ (\gamma_M)_* = (\gamma_L)_* \circ t$.

Proposition 5.3. If the map g^* , for g in diagram 2, is skeletal, $f^* \circ \omega = \alpha \circ g^*$ and f takes S -remainder to T -remainder, then:

1. $f[\mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)] \subseteq \mathcal{S}_{rem}(M \times T)$.
2. If f^* is weakly closed, then $f[\text{Rem}(L \times S)] \subseteq \text{Rem}(M \times T)$.

Proof. With the assumption that f takes S -remainder to T -remainder, it is clear that $A \subseteq L \setminus \alpha[S]$ implies $f[A] \subseteq f[L \setminus \alpha[S]] \subseteq M \setminus \omega[T]$ for all $A \in \mathcal{S}(L)$. This together with Proposition 5.1(1)&(2) show that both (1) and (2) hold. \square

Observation 5.4. For Proposition 5.3, in the case where $\alpha[S]$ is complemented, we replace f takes S -remainder to T -remainder with the condition that f is injective and $f[\alpha[S]] = \omega[T]$. From this we get that $A \subseteq L \setminus \alpha[S]$ implies $A \cap \alpha[S] = \mathbf{O}$. Therefore

$$\mathbf{O} = f[\mathbf{O}] = f[A \cap \alpha[S]] = f[A] \cap f[\alpha[S]]$$

so that $f[A] \subseteq M \setminus f[\alpha[S]] = M \setminus \omega[T]$.

We return to descriptions of localic maps that reflect and preserve the variants of remoteness introduced in Definition 3.1. By an abuse of language, we shall say that a localic map is *skeletal* provided that it sends dense elements to dense elements.

Proposition 5.5. Assume that the morphism g in diagram 2 is skeletal. Then

1. $f[A] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(M \times T)$ implies $A \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$ for every $A \in \mathcal{S}(L)$.
2. $f(x) \in \text{Rem}(M \times T)$ implies $x \in \text{Rem}(L \times S)$ for all $x \in L$.

Proof. (1) Assume that $f[A] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(M \times T)$ and let $a \in \alpha[S]$ be $\alpha[S]$ -dense. Then $a = \alpha(x)$ for some $x \in S$ where such x is S -dense. Since g is skeletal, $g(x)$ is T -dense so that $\omega(g(x))$ is $\omega[T]$ -dense. It follows that $f[A] \subseteq \mathfrak{v}(\omega(g(x)))$ which implies $f[A] \subseteq \mathfrak{v}_M(f(\alpha(x)))$ because $k \circ g = f \circ \alpha$. Therefore

$$A \subseteq f_{-1}[f[A]] \subseteq f_{-1}[\mathfrak{v}_M(f(\alpha(x)))] = \mathfrak{v}_L(f^*(f(\alpha(x)))) \subseteq \mathfrak{v}_L(\alpha(x)) = \mathfrak{v}_L(a).$$

Thus $A \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$.

- (2) This is an adaptation of the proof of (1) above. \square

Proposition 5.6. If g in diagram 2 is skeletal, $\omega[T]$ is a complemented sublocale of M and $f_{-1}[\omega[T]] = \alpha[S]$, then:

1. $f[A] \in {}^*\mathcal{S}_{rem}(M \times T)$ implies $A \in {}^*\mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$ for every $A \in \mathcal{S}(L)$.
2. $f(x) \in {}^*\text{Rem}(M \times T)$ implies $x \in {}^*\text{Rem}(L \times S)$ for all $x \in L$.

Proof. We only show that $f[A] \subseteq M \setminus \omega[T]$ implies $A \subseteq L \setminus \alpha[S]$. Observe that for complemented $\omega[T]$ in M with $f_{-1}[\omega[T]] = \alpha[S]$,

$$\begin{aligned} f[A] \subseteq M \setminus \omega[T] &\Leftrightarrow f[A] \cap \omega[T] = \mathbf{O} \\ &\Rightarrow A \cap f_{-1}[\omega[T]] = \mathbf{O} \\ &\Leftrightarrow A \cap \alpha[S] = \mathbf{O} \\ &\Rightarrow A \subseteq L \setminus \alpha[S]. \end{aligned}$$

for all $A \in \mathcal{S}(L)$. \square

Proposition 5.7. *Suppose that the localic map g in diagram 2 is skeletal. Then:*

1. $f_{-1}[\mathcal{S}_{rem}(M \times T)] \subseteq \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$.
2. $f^*[\text{Rem}(M \times T)] \subseteq \text{Rem}(L \times S)$.

Proof. (1) Let $A \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(M \times T)$ and choose an S -dense $a \in S$. Then $a = \alpha(x)$ for some $x \in S$ which is S -dense. $g(x)$ is T -dense because g is skeletal. It follows that $A \subseteq \mathfrak{o}_M(\omega(g(x)))$ since $\omega(g(x))$ is $\omega[T]$ -dense and $A \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(M \times T)$. Therefore

$$f_{-1}[A] \subseteq f_{-1}[\mathfrak{o}_M(\omega(g(x)))] = \mathfrak{o}(f^*(\omega(g(x)))) = \mathfrak{o}_M(f^*(f(\alpha(x)))) \subseteq \mathfrak{o}_L(\alpha(x)) = \mathfrak{o}_L(x)$$

making $f_{-1}[A] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$.

(2) Proof follows similar sketch of the proof of (1). \square

Proposition 5.8. *Suppose that the localic map g in diagram 2 is skeletal, $f_{-1}[\omega[T]] = \alpha[S]$ and $\omega[T]$ is complemented in M , then:*

1. $f_{-1}[{}^*\mathcal{S}_{rem}(M \times T)] \subseteq {}^*\mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$.
2. $f^*[{}^*\text{Rem}(M \times T)] \subseteq {}^*\text{Rem}(L \times S)$.

Proof. Assume that $f_{-1}[\omega[T]] = \alpha[S]$ and $\omega[T]$ is complemented in M . We only show that $A \subseteq M \setminus \omega[T]$ implies $f_{-1}[A] \subseteq L \setminus \alpha[S]$ which is needed for both (1) and (2). We have that $A \subseteq M \setminus \omega[T]$ gives $A \cap \omega[T] = \mathbf{O}$. Therefore $\mathbf{O} = f_{-1}[A] \cap f_{-1}[\omega[T]] = f_{-1}[A] \cap \alpha[S]$, which implies that $f_{-1}[A] \subseteq L \setminus \alpha[S]$. \square

Proposition 5.9. *If g^* , for g in diagram 2 is skeletal, $\alpha \circ g^* = f^* \circ \omega$ and $f[-]$ is surjective, then:*

1. $f_{-1}[A] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$ implies $A \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(M \times T)$ for all $A \in \mathcal{S}(M)$.
2. If f takes S -remainder to T -remainder, then $f_{-1}[A] \in {}^*\mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$ implies $A \in {}^*\mathcal{S}_{rem}(M \times T)$ for every $A \in \mathcal{S}(M)$.

Proof. (1) Let $A \in \mathcal{S}(M)$ be such that $f_{-1}[A] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$ and choose an $\omega[T]$ -dense $b \in \omega[T]$. Then $b = \omega(x)$ for some $x \in T$ with x a T -dense element. The skeletalness of g^* implies that $g^*(x)$ is S -dense so that $\alpha(g^*(x))$ is $\alpha[S]$ -dense. Therefore

$$\mathbf{O} = f_{-1}[A] \cap \mathfrak{c}_L(\alpha(g^*(x))) = f_{-1}[A] \cap \mathfrak{c}_L(f^*(\omega(x))) = f_{-1}[A] \cap f_{-1}[\mathfrak{c}_M(\omega(x))] = f_{-1}[A \cap \mathfrak{c}_M(\omega(x))].$$

Since $f[-]$ is surjective, $\mathbf{O} = f[f_{-1}[A \cap \mathfrak{c}_M(\omega(x))]] = A \cap \mathfrak{c}_M(\omega(x)) = A \cap \mathfrak{c}_M(b)$. Thus $A \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(M \times T)$.

(2) We only show that $f_{-1}[A] \subseteq L \setminus \alpha[S]$ implies $A \subseteq M \setminus \omega[T]$. Observe that

$$f_{-1}[A] \subseteq L \setminus \alpha[S] \Rightarrow f[f_{-1}[A]] \subseteq f[L \setminus \alpha[S]] \Rightarrow A \subseteq M \setminus \omega[T]$$

which proves the result. \square

Proposition 5.10. *Assume that g^* , for g in diagram 2 is skeletal and one of the following statements holds:*

- (a) f^* is weakly closed and g is surjective.
- (b) $\alpha \circ g^* = f^* \circ \omega$ and f is surjective.

Then

1. For each $x \in M$, $f^*(x) \in \text{Rem}(L \times S)$ implies $x \in \text{Rem}(M \times T)$.
2. If $f[L \setminus \alpha[S]] \subseteq M \setminus \omega[T]$, then $f^*(x) \in {}^*\text{Rem}(L \times S)$ implies $x \in {}^*\text{Rem}(M \times T)$ for all $x \in M$.

Proof. (1) Suppose that f^* is weakly closed, g is surjective and let $T \in \mathcal{S}(T)$ be T -dense. Then $t = \omega(b)$ for some $b \in T$ which is T -dense. Then $g^*(b)$ is S -dense since g^* is skeletal. Because $f^*(x) \in \text{Rem}(L \times S)$, we get that

$$f^*(x) \vee \alpha(g^*(b)) = 1. \tag{3}$$

The weakly closedness of f^* gives $x \vee f(\alpha(g^*(b))) = 1$. Therefore

$$1 = x \vee \omega(g(g^*(b))) = x \vee \omega(b) = x \vee t$$

where the second equality holds since g is surjective. Thus $x \in \text{Rem}(M \times T)$.

Assume that $\alpha \circ g^* = f^* \circ \omega$ and f is surjective. Then from equation 3, we get that $f^*(x) \vee f^*(t) = 1$ which implies that

$$f(f^*(x \vee t)) = f(f^*(x) \vee f^*(t)) = f(1) = 1$$

so that by surjectivity of f , $x \vee t = 1$ making $x \in \text{Rem}(M \times T)$.

(2) Can be deduced from Proposition 5.9(2) and (1) above. \square

6. f -remote preserving and f^* -remote preserving maps

In this section, we pay a closer attention to localic maps with the properties given in Proposition 5.1(1) and Proposition 5.3(1). We still make use of diagram 2.

We give the following definition.

Definition 6.1. We call a map g in diagram 2 f -remote preserving if $f[\mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S)] \subseteq \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(M \times T)$ and f^* -remote preserving if $f[{}^*\mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S)] \subseteq {}^*\mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(M \times T)$.

Since $\mathfrak{B}L \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S)$ for every dense sublocale S of L , in the next result, we characterize f -remote preserving maps in terms of the Booleanization of a locale. We also include, in the same result, a characterization in terms of the largest sublocale remote from a given dense sublocale. We recall that if $w : P \rightarrow Q$ is a dense injective localic map, then for all $x \in P$, x is P -dense if and only if $w(x)$ is Q -dense.

Theorem 6.2. Suppose that $f^* \circ \omega = \alpha \circ g^*$. The following statements are equivalent.

1. g is f -remote preserving.
2. $f[\mathfrak{B}L] \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(M \times T)$.
3. $f[\text{Rs}(L \times S)] \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(M \times T)$.
4. $f[\text{Rs}(L \times S)] \subseteq \text{Rs}(M \times T)$.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2): Since $\mathfrak{B}L$ is remote from every dense sublocale of L and $\alpha[S]$ is a dense sublocale of L , $\mathfrak{B}L$ is remote from $\alpha[S]$. By (1), $f[\mathfrak{B}L] \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(M \times T)$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3): Let $a \in \omega[T]$ be $\omega[T]$ -dense. Then $a = \omega(x)$ for some $x \in T$. By hypothesis, $f[\mathfrak{B}L] \subseteq \mathfrak{o}_M(\omega(x))$. Therefore $\mathfrak{B}L \subseteq f_{-1}[\mathfrak{o}_M(\omega(x))] = \mathfrak{o}_L[f^*(\omega(x))]$. Since $f^* \circ \omega = \alpha \circ g^*$, $\mathfrak{B}L \subseteq \mathfrak{o}_L[\alpha(g^*(x))]$, making $\alpha(g^*(x))$ L -dense so that $g^*(x)$ is S -dense and hence $\alpha(g^*(x))$ is $\alpha[S]$ -dense. But $\text{Rs}(L \times S)$ is remote from $\alpha[S]$, so $\text{Rs}(L \times S) \subseteq \mathfrak{o}_L[\alpha(g^*(x))]$. Therefore

$$f[\text{Rs}(L \times S)] \subseteq f[\mathfrak{o}_L[\alpha(g^*(x))]] = f[\mathfrak{o}_L(f^*(\omega(x)))] = f[f_{-1}[\mathfrak{o}_M(\omega(x))]] \subseteq \mathfrak{o}_M(\omega(x)) = \mathfrak{o}_M(a).$$

Thus $f[\text{Rs}(L \times S)] \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(M \times T)$.

(3) \Rightarrow (4): This is true because $\text{Rs}(M \times T)$ is the largest sublocale remote from $\omega[T]$.

(4) \Rightarrow (1): Let $A \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S)$. Then $A \subseteq \text{Rs}(L \times S)$ so that $f[A] \subseteq f[\text{Rs}(L \times S)]$. But $f[\text{Rs}(L \times S)] \subseteq \text{Rs}(M \times T)$, so $f[A] \subseteq f[\text{Rs}(M \times T)]$. Since sublocales contained in members of $\mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(M \times T)$ are remote from $\omega[T]$, $f[A]$ is remote from $\omega[T]$. Thus g is f -remote preserving. \square

We give the following characterization of f -*remote preserving maps.

Proposition 6.3. *Assume that $f^* \circ \omega = \alpha \circ g^*$. The following statements are equivalent.*

1. g is f -*remote preserving.
2. $f[\text{*Rs}(L \times S)]$ is *remote from $\omega[T]$.
3. $f[\text{*Rs}(L \times S)] \subseteq \text{*Rs}(M \times T)$.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2): This is true because $\text{*Rs}(L \times S) \in \text{*}\mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S)$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3): Trivial.

(3) \Rightarrow (1): Proof is similar to that of Theorem 6.2 (4) \Rightarrow (1). \square

In Proposition 6.5 below, we explore a relationship between f -remote preservation and preservation of remote sublocales. We give the following lemma which will be useful in proving the result.

Lemma 6.4. *The following statements hold.*

1. $A \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(S)$ iff $\alpha[A] \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S)$.
2. $A \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S)$ implies $\alpha_{-1}[A] \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(S)$.

Proof. (1) Recall from Proposition 3.10 that $\mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(K) = \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times K) \cap \mathcal{S}(K)$ for each dense $K \in \mathcal{S}(L)$. Therefore $\alpha[A] \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(\alpha[S])$ if and only if $\alpha[A] \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S) \cap \mathcal{S}(\alpha[S])$. Since $\alpha : S \rightarrow \alpha[S]$ is an isomorphism, it is easy to see that $A \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(S)$ if and only if $\alpha[A] \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(\alpha[S])$ if and only if $\alpha[A] \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S) \cap \mathcal{S}(\alpha[S])$.

(2) Let $x \in S$ be S -dense. Then $\alpha(x)$ is $\alpha[S]$ -dense. It follows that $A \cap \iota_L(\alpha(x)) = \mathbf{O}$. Therefore

$$\mathbf{O} = \alpha_{-1}[A] \cap \alpha_{-1}[\iota_L(\alpha(x))] = \alpha_{-1}[A] \cap \iota_S((\alpha)^*(\alpha(x))) = \alpha_{-1}[A] \cap \iota_S(x)$$

proving the result. \square

Recall from [20, Theorem 4.1.] that a localic map $f : L \rightarrow M$ preserves remote sublocales if and only if $f[\mathfrak{B}L]$ is a remote sublocale of M .

Proposition 6.5. *Assume that $f^* \circ \omega = \alpha \circ g^*$. Then g is f -remote preserving iff $g[-]$ preserves remote sublocales.*

Proof. (\Rightarrow) : Since $\alpha[S]$ is dense in L , $\mathfrak{B}\alpha[S] = \mathfrak{B}L$ making $\mathfrak{B}\alpha[S] = \alpha[\mathfrak{B}S]$ remote from $\alpha[S]$. Because g is f -remote preserving, we have that $f[\alpha[\mathfrak{B}S]] \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(M \times T)$ which implies that $\omega[g[\mathfrak{B}S]] \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(M \times T)$ since $\omega^* \circ f = g \circ \alpha^*$. It follows from Lemma 6.4(2) that $(\omega)_{-1}[\omega[g[\mathfrak{B}S]]] \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(T)$. But $g[\mathfrak{B}S] \subseteq (\omega)_{-1}[\omega[g[\mathfrak{B}S]]]$, so $g[\mathfrak{B}S] \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(T)$. By [20, Theorem 4.1.], g preserves remote sublocales.

(\Leftarrow) : We show that $f[\mathfrak{B}L]$ is remote from $\omega[T]$. Since $\mathfrak{B}L \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(L \times S)$, it follows from Lemma 6.4(2) that $(\alpha)_{-1}[\mathfrak{B}L] \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(S)$. By hypothesis, $g[(\alpha)_{-1}[\mathfrak{B}L]] \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(T)$. By Lemma 6.4(1), $\omega[g[(\alpha)_{-1}[\mathfrak{B}L]]] \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(M \times T)$ which implies that $f[\alpha[(\alpha)_{-1}[\mathfrak{B}L]]] \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(M \times T)$ since $f \circ \alpha = \omega \circ g$. But $\mathfrak{B}L = \mathfrak{B}\alpha[S] \subseteq \alpha[S]$ and using the fact that $\alpha : S \rightarrow \alpha[S]$ is an isomorphism,

$$f[\alpha[(\alpha)_{-1}[\mathfrak{B}L]]] = f[\alpha[(\alpha)_{-1}[\mathfrak{B}\alpha[S]]]] = f[\mathfrak{B}\alpha[S]] = f[\mathfrak{B}L] \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(M \times T)$$

as required. \square

Consider a commuting diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 S & \xrightarrow{g} & T & & \\
 \downarrow \alpha & \searrow i & & \swarrow k & \downarrow \omega \\
 & R & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & U & \\
 \swarrow \theta & & & \searrow \sigma & \\
 L & \xrightarrow{f} & M & &
 \end{array} \tag{4}$$

where S, T, R, U, L and M are locales, the downward arrows are dense injective localic maps and the horizontal arrows are localic maps. We find a relationship between f -remote preservation and φ -remote preservation. En route to that, we give the following lemma.

Lemma 6.6. *From diagram 4, $\theta[\mathcal{S}_{rem}(R \times S)] \subseteq \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$.*

Proof. We have that α is dense since it is the composite of two dense localic maps i and θ . Let $A \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(R \times S)$ and choose an $\alpha[S]$ -dense $y \in \alpha[S]$. Then $y = \alpha(x)$ for some $x \in S$. Since $\alpha : S \rightarrow \alpha[S]$ is an isomorphism, x is S -dense so that $i(x)$ is $i[S]$ -dense. Therefore $A \cap c_R(i(x)) = \mathbf{O}$. Observe that $\theta[A] \cap c_L(\alpha(x)) = \mathbf{O}$. To see this, let $a \in \theta[A] \cap c_L(\alpha(x))$. Then $a = \theta(b)$ for some $b \in A$ and $\alpha(x) \leq a$. We have that

$$i(x) = \theta^*(\theta(i(x))) = \theta^*(\alpha(x)) \leq \theta^*(\theta(b)) = b$$

since θ is injective and $\alpha = \theta \circ i$. Therefore $b \in A \cap c_R(i(x))$ which implies $b = 1$ so that $a = \theta(b) = 1$. Thus $\theta[A] \cap c_L(\alpha(x)) = \mathbf{O}$. Hence $\theta[A] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$. \square

Since $\theta[R] \subseteq L$, we have that

$$\{B \in \mathcal{S}(\theta[R]) : B \cap \alpha[S] = \mathbf{O}\} \subseteq \{C \in \mathcal{S}(L) : C \cap \alpha[S] = \mathbf{O}\}$$

so that

$$\theta[R] \setminus \alpha[S] = \bigvee \{B \in \mathcal{S}(\theta[R]) : B \cap \alpha[S] = \mathbf{O}\} \subseteq \bigvee \{C \in \mathcal{S}(L) : C \cap \alpha[S] = \mathbf{O}\} = L \setminus \alpha[S].$$

As a result of this and Lemma 6.6, we have the following result.

Lemma 6.7. *From diagram 4, $\theta[*\mathcal{S}_{rem}(R \times S)] \subseteq *\mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$.*

Observation 6.8. *In light of the preceding two lemmas and the relationship between the β, v and λ extensions depicted in diagram 1, we have*

$$\mathcal{S}_{rem}(vL \times L) \subseteq \mathcal{S}_{rem}(\lambda L \times L) \subseteq \mathcal{S}_{rem}(\beta L \times L)$$

and

$$*\mathcal{S}_{rem}(vL \times L) \subseteq *\mathcal{S}_{rem}(\lambda L \times L) \subseteq *\mathcal{S}_{rem}(\beta L \times L).$$

Proposition 6.9. *If g in diagram 4 is f -remote preserving, then it is φ -remote preserving.*

Proof. Let $A \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(R \times S)$. It follows from Lemma 6.6 that $\theta[A] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$. Since g is f -remote preserving, $f[\theta[A]] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(M \times T)$ making $\sigma[\varphi[A]] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(M \times T)$. By Lemma 6.4(2), $(\sigma)_{-1}[\sigma[\varphi[A]]] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(U) \subseteq \mathcal{S}_{rem}(U \times T)$. Since $\varphi[A] \subseteq (\sigma)_{-1}[\sigma[\varphi[A]]]$ and a sublocale of any member of $\mathcal{S}_{rem}(U \times T)$ belongs to $\mathcal{S}_{rem}(U \times T)$, we have that $\varphi[A] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(U \times T)$. Thus g is φ -remote preserving. \square

Observation 6.10. Recall from [12] that given a localic map $f : L \rightarrow M$ and any $K \in \mathcal{S}(L)$, $f[L \setminus K] \subseteq M \setminus f[K]$ whenever $K = f_{-1}[J]$ for some $J \in \mathcal{S}(M)$. Since for the \ast remoteness case of Proposition 6.9 we need $\varphi[R \setminus i[S]] \subseteq U \setminus k[T]$, we assume that $i[S] = \varphi_{-1}[k[T]]$ and $\varphi[-]$ is surjective in diagram 4. Then

$$\varphi[R \setminus i[S]] \subseteq U \setminus \varphi[i[S]] = U \setminus \varphi[\varphi_{-1}[k[T]]] = U \setminus k[T]$$

so that $A \in \ast\mathcal{S}_{rem}(R \times S)$ implies $\varphi[A] \in \ast\mathcal{S}_{rem}(U \times T)$. This approach also helps in verifying \ast remoteness cases of Corollary 6.12 and Proposition 6.14(2)&(3) below.

Observation 6.11. The converse of Proposition 6.9 holds if $\alpha[-]$ is surjective (hence an isomorphism). Indeed, assume that g is φ -remote preserving and let $A \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(L \times S)$. By Lemma 6.4(2), $\alpha_{-1}[A] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(S)$. Therefore $i[\alpha_{-1}[A]] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(R \times S)$ by Lemma 6.4(1). Since g is φ -remote preserving, $\varphi[i[\alpha_{-1}[A]]] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(U \times T)$. By Lemma 6.6, $\sigma[\varphi[i[\alpha_{-1}[A]]]] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(M \times T)$ so that $f[\theta[i[\alpha_{-1}[A]]]] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(M \times T)$ because $f \circ \theta = \sigma \circ \varphi$. Since $\theta \circ i = \alpha$ and $\alpha[-]$ is surjective, $f[\theta[i[\alpha_{-1}[A]]]] = f[\alpha[\alpha_{-1}[A]]] = f[A] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(M \times T)$. Thus g is f -remote preserving.

Call a localic map $f : L \rightarrow M$ γ -remote preserving if $\gamma(f)[\mathcal{S}_{rem}(\gamma L \times L)] \subseteq \mathcal{S}_{rem}(\gamma M \times M)$ and γ - \ast remote preserving provided that $\gamma(f)[\ast\mathcal{S}_{rem}(\gamma L \times L)] \subseteq \ast\mathcal{S}_{rem}(\gamma M \times M)$.

Corollary 6.12. We have that

$$\beta\text{-remote preserving} \Rightarrow \lambda\text{-remote preserving} \Rightarrow \nu\text{-remote preserving.}$$

Observation 6.13. To get the reverse directions of Corollary 6.12, we observe that the morphisms ν_L, β_L and λ_L are isomorphisms whenever L is compact. The case of λ_L follows since, according to [14], λ_L is injective (hence an isomorphism) whenever L is Lindelöf. Because every compact locale is Lindelöf, we have that λ_L is an isomorphism whenever L is compact.

We end this section with the following result.

Proposition 6.14. Consider a commuting diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} L & \xrightarrow{f} & M \\ & \searrow t & \downarrow \varphi \\ & & N \end{array} \tag{5}$$

where f, g and t are localic maps and L, M and N are locales.

1. If φ and f are γ -remote preserving, then t is γ -remote preserving.
2. If t is γ -remote preserving, φ sends elements to dense elements, then f is γ -remote preserving.
3. If t is γ -remote preserving and $A \subseteq \gamma(f)[\mathfrak{B}_{\gamma L}]$ for all $A \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(\gamma M \times M)$, then φ is γ -remote preserving.

Proof. (1) For each $A \in \mathcal{S}(\gamma L)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} A \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(\gamma L \times L) &\Rightarrow \gamma(f)[A] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(\gamma M \times M) \text{ since } f \text{ is } \gamma\text{-remote preserving} \\ &\Rightarrow \gamma(\varphi)[\gamma(f)[A]] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(\gamma N \times N) \text{ since } \varphi \text{ is } \gamma\text{-remote preserving} \\ &\Rightarrow \gamma(\varphi \circ f)[A] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(\gamma N \times N) \text{ since } \gamma \text{ is a functor} \\ &\Rightarrow \gamma(t)[A] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(\gamma N \times N). \end{aligned}$$

(2) Let $A \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(\gamma L \times L)$ and choose dense $x \in M$. Since t is γ -remote preserving, we have that $\gamma(t)[A] \in \mathcal{S}_{rem}(\gamma N \times N)$. Since φ is skeletal, we have that $\varphi(x)$ is dense in N . It follows that $\gamma(t)[A] \subseteq \mathfrak{o}((\gamma_N)_*(\varphi(x)))$. But $(\gamma_N)_* \circ \varphi = \gamma(\varphi) \circ (\gamma_M)_*$, so $\gamma(t)[A] \subseteq \mathfrak{o}(\gamma(\varphi)((\gamma_M)_*(x)))$. Therefore $\gamma(\varphi)_{-1}[\gamma(t)[A]] \subseteq \mathfrak{o}((\gamma_M)_*(x))$ making

$\gamma(\varphi)_{-1}[\gamma(t)[A]]$ remote from M . Since $\gamma(\varphi)[\gamma(f)[A]] = \gamma(t)[A]$ implies $\gamma(f)[A] \subseteq \gamma(\varphi)_{-1}[\gamma(t)[A]]$, we have that $\gamma(f)[A]$ is remote from M .

(3) Let $A \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{rem}}(\gamma M \times M)$. Then $A \subseteq \gamma(f)[\mathfrak{B}_{\gamma L}]$ which implies that

$$\gamma(\varphi)[A] \subseteq \gamma(\varphi)[\gamma(f)[\mathfrak{B}_{\gamma L}]] = \gamma(t)[\mathfrak{B}_{\gamma L}].$$

But $\gamma(t)[\mathfrak{B}_{\gamma L}]$ is remote from N , so $\gamma(\varphi)[A]$ is remote from N . It follows that φ is γ -remote preserving. \square

Observation 6.15. We commented in Observation 6.10 that the approach given in that observation can be used to prove the γ -remoteness case of Proposition 6.14(2)&(3). The γ -remoteness case of Proposition 6.14(1) follows the similar sketch of the proof of Proposition 6.14(1) where γ -remote preserving is replaced by γ^* -remote preserving.

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