

## Topological Characterization of $\alpha$ -Filters in Paradistributive Latticoids

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**Abstract.** We study topological properties of the space of prime  $\alpha$ -filters of a paradistributive latticoid. Using the hull-kernel topology we characterize compactness, separation axioms ( $T_0, T_1$ , Hausdorff), and relate minimality of prime  $\alpha$ -filters to topological properties. Several equivalent conditions for minimality are obtained and relationships to annulets and direct factors are discussed. Examples and consequences for various classes of latticoids are indicated.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Paradistributive latticoids (PDLs) were studied recently in the literature as a generalization of several distributive-like algebraic structures; see [1, 4]. Filters and ideals on such latticoids play an important role in understanding their algebraic and topological behaviour. In particular, special filters called  $\alpha$ -filters (introduced in [15]) capture a closure property relevant to duality-like correspondences and to the construction of prime spectrum spaces.

The aim of this paper is to investigate the topological space  $Spec_\alpha(V)$  of prime  $\alpha$ -filters of a paradistributive latticoid  $V$  equipped with the hull-kernel topology generated by sets of the form  $K'(\mu) = \{P \in Spec_\alpha(V) : \mu \notin P\}$  for  $\mu \in V$ . We characterize compact open sets, show  $T_0$ -separation, and derive necessary and sufficient conditions for  $T_1$  and Hausdorff properties; we also give

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several algebraic equivalent conditions ensuring that every prime  $\alpha$ -filter is minimal. Our work extends and refines results from [2,15] and connects them to classical ideas from lattice theory [5,9].

This paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we recall basic definitions and notation, and summarize needed properties of  $\alpha$ -filters. Section 3, introduces the hull-kernel topology on  $\text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$  and presents the main topological results (compactness of basic opens, characterization of compact-open sets, separation axioms). Also, we study minimal prime filters and give equivalent algebraic/topological conditions for minimality. We conclude with remarks and possible directions for future work.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

This section recalls fundamental notions and notations used throughout the paper, from [4,15].

**Definition 2.1.** [4] An algebraic structure  $(V, \vee, \wedge, 1)$  is a Paradistributive Latticoid (PDL) if, for all  $\mu, \nu, \xi \in V$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu \vee (\nu \wedge \xi) &= (\mu \vee \nu) \wedge (\mu \vee \xi), & (\mu \wedge \nu) \vee \xi &= (\mu \vee \xi) \wedge (\nu \vee \xi), \\ (\mu \vee \nu) \wedge \nu &= \nu, & (\mu \vee \nu) \wedge \mu &= \mu, & \mu \vee (\mu \wedge \nu) &= \mu, & \mu \vee 1 &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

We say that  $\mu \leq \nu$  if  $\mu \wedge \nu = \mu$  (equally  $\mu \vee \nu = \nu$ ), and an element  $\mu$  is *minimal*, whenever  $\zeta \leq \mu \implies \zeta = \mu$ .

**Example 2.1.** [4] Fix  $\mu_0 \in V$  and define

$$\mu \vee \nu = \begin{cases} \mu, & \nu \neq \mu_0, \\ \mu_0, & \nu = \mu_0, \end{cases} \quad \mu \wedge \nu = \begin{cases} \nu, & \nu \neq \mu_0, \\ \mu, & \nu = \mu_0. \end{cases}$$

Then  $(V, \vee, \wedge, \mu_0)$  is called a disconnected-PDL and  $\mu_0$  is the greatest element.

**Definition 2.2.** [4] A non-void subset  $F$  of  $V$  is a filter, if

$$\mu \wedge \nu \in F, \quad \xi \vee \mu \in F, \quad \forall \mu, \nu \in F, \xi \in V$$

$[\mu] = \{\nu \vee \mu : \nu \in V\}$  is the filter generated by  $\mu$ .

**Definition 2.3.** [4] A non-void subset  $I$  of  $V$  is an ideal, if

$$\mu \vee \nu \in I, \quad \mu \wedge \xi \in I, \quad \forall \mu, \nu \in I, \xi \in V$$

$(\mu] = \{\mu \wedge \nu : \nu \in V\}$  is the ideal generated by  $\mu$ .

**Definition 2.4.** [15] A filter  $F$  is said to be an  $\alpha$ -filter, if,  $(\mu)^{\bullet\bullet} \subseteq F$ , for all  $\mu \in F$ , where  $(\mu)^\bullet = \{\nu \in V : \mu \vee \nu = 1\}$ .

Given a filter  $F$  of  $V$ ,  $F^e = \{\mu \in V : (\nu)^\bullet \subseteq (\mu)^\bullet, \text{ for some } \nu \in F\}$  [15] is the least  $\alpha$ -filter holding  $F$ . Moreover  $F^e = F \iff F$  is an  $\alpha$ -filter.

3. TOPOLOGICAL CHARACTERIZATION OF  $\alpha$ -FILTERS

This main section develops the topological theory of  $Spec_\alpha(V)$ , the class of prime  $\alpha$ -filters of  $V$ . Using Zorn’s lemma, Theorem 3.1 establishes the existence of a prime  $\alpha$ -filter extending any given  $\alpha$ -filter that is disjoint from an ideal. The hull-kernel topology is introduced via sets  $K'(\mu) = \{P \in Spec_\alpha(V) : \mu \notin P\}$ , and Lemma 3.5 shows that these sets form a basis. Subsequent theorems characterize compactness, compact-open subsets, and the  $T_0$  property of  $Spec_\alpha(V)$ . Furthermore, minimal and maximal prime  $\alpha$ -filters are examined, proving that every maximal  $\alpha$ -filter is prime. Several equivalent algebraic and topological conditions for the minimality of prime  $\alpha$ -filters are derived (Theorem 3.13), linking them to the  $T_1$  and Hausdorff separation properties. Theorems 3.14–3.18 further refine the relationships between compactness, separation, and the lattice structure of  $V$ . These results generalize earlier work on prime filters in PDLs [1,2] and connect with recent studies on filters in nearlattices [6,8,11].

**Theorem 3.1.** *If  $I$  is an ideal and  $F$  is an  $\alpha$ -filter of  $V$  with  $F \cap I = \emptyset$ , then there is a prime  $\alpha$ -filter  $P$  with  $P \cap I = \emptyset$  and  $F \subseteq P$ .*

*Proof.* Consider  $\Sigma := \{G : G \text{ is an } \alpha\text{-filter, } F \subseteq G, \text{ and } G \cap I = \emptyset\} \neq \emptyset$ , since  $F \in \Sigma$ . Let  $\{F_i\}_{i \in \Delta}$  be a chain in  $\Sigma$ . Then  $\bigcup_{i \in \Delta} F_i$  is a filter, since each  $F_i$  is a filter. Choose  $\mu \in \bigcup_{i \in \Delta} F_i$ . Then  $\mu \in F_j$ , for some  $j \in \Delta$ . Since  $F_j$  is an  $\alpha$ -filter,  $(\mu)^{\bullet\bullet} \subseteq F_j \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in \Delta} F_i$ . Therefore  $\bigcup_{i \in \Delta} F_i$  is an  $\alpha$ -filter holding  $F$  and  $\bigcup_{i \in \Delta} F_i \cap I = \emptyset$ . By Zorn’s Lemma, there is a maximal element  $M$  (say) in  $\Sigma$ . Choose  $\mu, \nu \in V$  such that  $\mu \notin M$  and  $\nu \notin M$ . Then  $\mu \notin M \Rightarrow M \subset M \vee [\mu] \subseteq (M \vee [\mu])^e \cap I \neq \emptyset$  (since  $M$  is maximal). Similarly,  $(M \vee [\nu])^e \cap I \neq \emptyset$ , since  $\nu \notin M$ . Choose  $\xi \in (M \vee [\mu])^e \cap I$  and  $\nu \in (M \vee [\nu])^e \cap I$ . Then  $\xi \vee \nu \in I$ , and  $\xi \vee \nu \in (M \vee [\mu])^e \cap (M \vee [\nu])^e = (M \vee [\mu \vee \nu])^e$ . Suppose  $\mu \vee \nu \in M$ . Then  $\xi \vee \nu \in M^e = M$ , which implies  $\xi \vee \nu \in M \cap I$ , and absurd. Thus  $M$  is a prime  $\alpha$ -filter.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.1.** *If  $F$  is an  $\alpha$ -filter and  $\mu \notin F$ , then,  $F \subseteq P$  and  $\mu \notin P$ , for some prime  $\alpha$ -filter  $P$ .*

*Proof.* Clearly  $(\mu] \cap F = \emptyset$ . By Theorem 3.1, there is a prime  $\alpha$ -filter  $P$  with  $F \subseteq P$  and  $(\mu] \cap P = \emptyset$ . Therefore  $\mu \notin P$ .  $\square$

The following corollaries 3.2, 3.3 follows directly from Theorem 3.1.

**Corollary 3.2.** *Given an  $\alpha$ -filter  $F$  of  $V$ ,*

$$F = \bigcap \{P : F \subseteq P \text{ and } P \text{ is a prime } \alpha\text{-filter}\}$$

**Corollary 3.3.** *The intersection of prime  $\alpha$ -filters is equal to  $\{1\}$ .*

Let  $Spec_\alpha(V)$  denote the class of prime  $\alpha$ -filters of  $V$ . Given  $A \subseteq V$ , define  $K'(A) := \{P \in Spec_\alpha(V) : A \not\subseteq P\}$ , and for  $\mu \in V$ , set  $K'(\mu) := K'(\{\mu\})$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** *For any  $\mu, \nu \in V$ ,*

$$(1) \bigcup_{\mu \in V} K'(\mu) = Spec_\alpha(V)$$

- (2)  $K'(\mu) \cap K'(\nu) = K'(\mu \vee \nu)$
- (3)  $K'(\mu) \cup K'(\nu) = K'(\mu \wedge \nu)$
- (4)  $K'(\mu) = \emptyset \iff \mu \neq 1$
- (5)  $K'(0) = \text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$

From Lemma 3.1, it is evident that, the family  $\{K'(\mu) : \mu \in V\}$  constitutes a basis for a topology on  $\text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$ , known as the hull-kernel topology.

**Theorem 3.2.** *In  $V$ , we have*

- (1)  $K'(\mu)$  is compact in  $\text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$ , for all  $\mu \in V$
- (2) Every compact open set is in the form  $K'(\mu)$ , for some  $\mu \in V$
- (3)  $\text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$  is a  $T_0$ -space
- (4) The map  $\mu \mapsto K'(\mu)$  is an anti-homomorphism from  $V$  onto the lattice of compact open subsets of  $\text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$ .

*Proof.* (1). Suppose that  $K'(\nu) \subseteq \bigcup_{\mu \in A} K'(\mu)$ , where  $\nu \in V$  and  $A \subseteq V$ . If  $\nu \notin [A]^e$ , where  $[A]$  is the filter generated by  $A$ , then, by Theorem 3.1, there exists a prime  $\alpha$ -filter  $P$  such that  $[A]^e \subseteq P$  and  $\nu \notin P$ . Therefore  $P \in K'(\nu) \subseteq \bigcup_{\mu \in A} K'(\mu)$ . So that  $\mu \notin P$ , for some  $\mu \in A$ . Which is a contradiction. Therefore  $\nu \in [A]^e$  and hence  $\nu \in [\mu]^e$ , for some  $\mu \in [A]$  and  $\mu = \mu_1 \wedge \mu_2 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mu_n$ , for some  $\mu_1, \mu_2, \cdots, \mu_n \in A$ . Thus  $K'(\nu) \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n K'(\mu_i)$ , and it is compact.

(2). If  $C$  is a compact-open subset of  $\text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$ , then, it is in the form  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n K'(\mu_i) = K'(\bigwedge_{i=1}^n \mu_i)$ . Therefore  $C = K'(\mu)$  for some  $\mu \in V$ .

(3). Suppose that  $P, Q$  are two prime  $\alpha$ -filters, and  $\mu \in P$  but  $\mu \notin Q$ . Then  $P \notin K'(\mu)$  and  $Q \in K'(\mu)$ . Therefore  $\text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$  is a  $T_0$ -space.

(4). It is trivial from by Lemma 3.1 (1), (2). □

It is well known that minimal prime filters always exist in  $V$ , and that each of them is precisely the set-theoretic complement of a maximal ideal of  $V$ . In what follows, we establish several equivalent conditions under which a prime  $\alpha$ -filter of  $V$  possessing minimal elements becomes a minimal prime filter. To this end, we first present the following lemmas.

**Lemma 3.2.** [2] *A prime filter  $P$  is minimal if and only if for each  $\mu \in P$ , there is  $\nu \notin P$  with  $\mu \vee \nu = 1$ .*

**Lemma 3.3.** *Every minimal prime  $\alpha$ -filter is a minimal prime filter.*

*Proof.* Since every minimal prime filter is an  $\alpha$ -filter, it is obvious. □

**Lemma 3.4.** *The intersection of minimal prime filters is  $\{1\}$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\mu \neq 1$ . Then there is a maximal ideal  $M$  containing  $\mu$ . So,  $V \setminus M$  is a minimal prime filter with  $\mu \notin V \setminus M$ . Hence the result holds. □

**Definition 3.1.** *A proper  $\alpha$ -filter  $M$  of  $V$  is called maximal, if there is no proper  $\alpha$ -filter  $M_0$  with  $M \subset M_0$ .*

**Lemma 3.5.** *Every maximal  $\alpha$ -filter is prime.*

*Proof.* Let  $M$  be a maximal  $\alpha$ -filter of  $V$  such that  $\mu \notin M$  and  $\nu \notin M$ . Then  $M \subseteq M \vee [\mu] \subseteq (M \vee [\mu])^e$  and  $M \subseteq M \vee [\nu] \subseteq (M \vee [\nu])^e$ . Since  $M$  is maximal,  $(M \vee [\mu])^e = V$  and  $(M \vee [\nu])^e = V$ . Now,  $V = (M \vee [\mu])^e \cap (M \vee [\nu])^e = ((M \vee [\mu]) \cap (M \vee [\nu]))^e = (M \vee [\mu \vee \nu])^e$ . Which implies that  $\mu \vee \nu \notin M$ . Thus  $\mu \vee \nu \notin M$ , whenever  $\mu, \nu \notin M$ . Hence  $M$  is prime.  $\square$

Given  $A \subseteq V$ ,  $H(A) = \{P \in \text{Spec}_\alpha(V) : A \subseteq P\}$  is a closed set in  $\text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$  (since  $H(A) = \text{Spec}_\alpha(V) \setminus K'(A)$ ). Moreover, every closed set is in the form  $H(A)$ , for some  $A \subseteq V$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** *For any  $X \subseteq \text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$ ,  $\overline{X} = H(\bigcap_{P \in X} P)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $X \subseteq \text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$  and  $Q \in X$ . Since  $\bigcap_{P \in X} P \subseteq Q$ ,  $Q \in H(\bigcap_{P \in X} P)$ . So that  $H(\bigcap_{P \in X} P)$  is a closed set containing  $X$ . Now, let  $C$  be a closed set containing  $X$ . Then  $C = H(A)$ , for some  $A \subseteq V$ . Since  $X \subseteq H(A)$ ,  $A \subseteq P$ , for every  $P \in X$ . Therefore  $A \subseteq \bigcap_{P \in X} P$ , which implies  $H(\bigcap_{P \in X} P) \subseteq H(A) = C$ . Hence  $H(\bigcap_{P \in X} P)$  is the smallest closed set containing  $X$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.4.** *The following are equivalent in  $V$ ,*

- (1) *Every prime  $\alpha$ -filter is maximal*
- (2) *Every prime  $\alpha$ -filter is minimal.*

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) : Assume (1). Let  $P \in \text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$ . To show that  $P$  is minimal, suppose that  $Q \in \text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$  and  $Q \subseteq P$ . Since  $Q$  is also a prime  $\alpha$ -filter, by the assumption of maximality, we must have  $Q = P$  (otherwise  $Q \subsetneq P$  contradicts the maximality of  $Q$ ). Hence no prime  $\alpha$ -filter is properly contained in  $P$ , and so  $P$  is minimal.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) : Assume (2). Let  $P \in \text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$  and suppose that  $P \subseteq Q$  for some  $Q \in \text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$ . Since  $Q$  is prime and minimal by assumption, it follows that  $P = Q$  (otherwise  $P \subsetneq Q$  contradicts the minimality of  $Q$ ). Hence no prime  $\alpha$ -filter properly contains  $P$ , so  $P$  is maximal.  $\square$

Although a prime  $\alpha$ -filter need not be minimal in general, we identify below a collection of identical conditions under which every prime  $\alpha$ -filter becomes minimal.

**Theorem 3.5.** *The following conditions are identical in  $V$ :*

- (1) *Every prime  $\alpha$ -filter is minimal.*
- (2)  *$\text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$  is a  $T_1$ -space.*
- (3)  *$\text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$  is Hausdorff.*
- (4) *For any  $\mu, \nu \in V$ , there is  $\xi \in V$  with  $\mu \vee \xi = 1$  and*

$$K'(\nu) \cap (\text{Spec}_\alpha(V) \setminus K'(\mu)) = K'(\nu \vee \xi).$$

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) : Assume (1). Let  $P$  and  $Q$  be two distinct prime  $\alpha$ -filters. Since  $P$  and  $Q$  are minimal (by (1)),  $P \not\subseteq Q$  and  $Q \not\subseteq P$ . Choose  $\mu \in P \setminus Q$  and  $\nu \in Q \setminus P$ . Then  $Q \in K'(\mu) \setminus K'(\nu)$  and  $P \in K'(\nu) \setminus K'(\mu)$ . Therefore (2) holds.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) : Assume (2). Let  $P$  be a prime  $\alpha$ -filter of  $V$ . By Theorem 3.3,  $\{P\} = \overline{\{P\}} = \{Q \in \text{Spec}_\alpha(V) : P \subseteq Q\}$ . Therefore  $P$  is maximal. Hence each prime  $\alpha$ -filter  $P$  is minimal prime  $\alpha$ -filter. Let  $P, Q \in \text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$  with  $P \neq Q$ . Choose  $\mu \in P$  such that  $\mu \notin Q$ . Since  $P$  is minimal, there is  $\nu \notin P$  with  $\mu \vee \nu = 1$ . Therefore  $P \in K'(\nu)$ ,  $Q \in K'(\mu)$ , and  $K'(\mu) \cap K'(\nu) = K'(\mu \vee \nu) = \emptyset$ . Thus (3) holds.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) : Assume (3). Then  $K'(\mu)$  is a compact subset of  $\text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$  for each  $\mu \in V$ , and hence  $K'(\mu)$  is clopen. Let  $\mu, \nu \in V$  with  $\mu \neq \nu$ . Then  $K'(\nu) \cap (\text{Spec}_\alpha(V) \setminus K'(\mu))$  is a compact subset of the compact space  $K'(\nu)$ . Since  $K'(\nu)$  is open in  $\text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$ , this intersection is a compact open subset of  $\text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$ . Hence, by Theorem 3.2(2), there is  $\xi \in V$  with  $K'(\xi) = K'(\nu) \cap (\text{Spec}_\alpha(V) \setminus K'(\mu))$ . Therefore,  $K'(\nu) \cap (\text{Spec}_\alpha(V) \setminus K'(\mu)) = K'(\nu) \cap K'(\xi) = K'(\nu \vee \xi)$ . Also,  $K'(\mu \vee \xi) = K'(\mu) \cap K'(\xi) = \emptyset$ , and hence  $\mu \vee \xi = 1$ .

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) : Let  $P$  be a prime  $\alpha$ -filter of  $V$ . Choose  $\mu, \nu \in V$  with  $\mu \in P$  and  $\nu \notin P$ . By (4), there is  $\xi \in V$  with  $\mu \vee \xi = 1$  and  $K'(\nu) \cap (\text{Spec}_\alpha(V) \setminus K'(\mu)) = K'(\nu \vee \xi)$ . Clearly,  $P \in K'(\nu) \cap (\text{Spec}_\alpha(V) \setminus K'(\mu)) = K'(\nu \vee \xi)$ . If  $\xi \in P$ , then  $\nu \vee \xi \in P$ , which contradicts  $P \in K'(\nu \vee \xi)$ . Therefore  $\xi \notin P$  and hence, given  $\mu \in P$ ,  $\mu \vee \xi = 1$ , for some  $\xi \notin P$ . Thus  $P$  is minimal.  $\square$

Here, an additional equal condition is established for the space  $\text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$  to be Hausdorff.

**Theorem 3.6.** For any  $\mu \in V$ ,

- (1)  $K'([\mu]) = K'(\mu) = K'((\mu)^{\bullet\bullet})$
- (2)  $K'((\mu)^{\bullet\bullet}) \subseteq \text{Spec}_\alpha(V) \setminus K'((\mu)^\bullet)$

*Proof.* (1). Let  $P \in K'([\mu])$ . Then  $[\mu] \not\subseteq P$ , that is, there exists  $\nu \in [\mu]$  such that  $\nu \notin P$ . If  $\mu \in P$ , then  $\nu = \nu \vee \mu \in P$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore  $\mu \notin P$  and then  $P \in K'(\mu)$ . Hence  $K'([\mu]) \subseteq K'(\mu)$ . On the other hand, let  $P \in K'(\mu)$ . Then  $\mu \notin P$  and  $[\mu] \not\subseteq P$ . Therefore  $P \in K'([\mu])$  and hence  $K'([\mu]) = K'(\mu)$ .

To prove that  $K'([\mu]) = K'((\mu)^{\bullet\bullet})$ . Let  $P \in K'([\mu])$ . Then  $[\mu] \not\subseteq P$  and hence  $(\mu)^{\bullet\bullet} \not\subseteq P$ . Therefore  $P \in K'((\mu)^{\bullet\bullet})$  and hence  $K'([\mu]) \subseteq K'((\mu)^{\bullet\bullet})$ . On the other hand, let  $P \in K'((\mu)^{\bullet\bullet})$ . Then  $(\mu)^{\bullet\bullet} \not\subseteq P$ . Since  $P$  is an  $\alpha$ -filter,  $\mu \notin P$ . Therefore  $P \in K'(\mu)$  and hence  $K'((\mu)^{\bullet\bullet}) \subseteq K'(\mu)$ .

(2). Let  $P \in K'((\mu)^{\bullet\bullet})$ . Then  $(\mu)^{\bullet\bullet} \not\subseteq P$ . Since  $P$  is an  $\alpha$ -filter,  $\mu \notin P$ . Therefore  $(\mu)^\bullet \subseteq P$  and hence  $P \in \text{Spec}_\alpha(V) \setminus K'((\mu)^\bullet)$ . Thus  $K'((\mu)^{\bullet\bullet}) \subseteq \text{Spec}_\alpha(V) \setminus K'((\mu)^\bullet)$ .  $\square$

It is evident that  $\text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$  is a  $T_0$ -space. In what follows, we establish a necessary and sufficient condition for  $\text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$  to be a  $T_1$ -space.

**Theorem 3.7.** The space  $\text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$  is  $T_1$  if and only if every prime  $\alpha$ -filter of  $V$  is maximal.

*Proof.* ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Assume that  $\text{Spec}_\alpha(V)$  is a  $T_1$ -space. Let  $P$  be a prime  $\alpha$ -filter of  $V$ . Suppose, towards a contradiction, that  $P$  is not maximal. Then there exists a proper  $\alpha$ -filter  $Q$  such that  $P \subset Q$ . Select  $\mu \in Q \setminus P$ . Since  $\mu \notin P$ , we have  $P \in K'(\mu)$ , while  $\mu \in Q$  implies  $Q \notin K'(\mu)$ . Thus every open set containing  $P$  (for instance,  $K'(\mu)$ ) fails to contain  $Q$ , whereas any open set containing  $Q$  contains  $P$  as well, because if  $\nu \notin Q$  then  $\nu \notin P$  (as  $P \subset Q$ ), and hence  $K'(\nu)$  contains both  $P$  and  $Q$ . Therefore

$Q$  lies in the closure of  $\{P\}$ , so  $\{P\}$  is not closed contradicting the  $T_1$  property of  $Spec_\alpha(V)$ . Hence  $P$  must be maximal.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Conversely, assume that the condition holds. Let  $P, Q \in Spec_\alpha(V)$  with  $P \neq Q$ . Since they are distinct, there exists  $\mu \in P \setminus Q$ . Then  $Q \in K'(\mu)$  but  $P \notin K'(\mu)$ , so  $K'(\mu)$  is an open set containing  $Q$  but not  $P$ . Similarly, as  $P \neq Q$ , there is  $\nu \in Q \setminus P$ , and thus  $K'(\nu)$  contains  $P$  but not  $Q$ . Therefore, each of the points  $P$  and  $Q$  has an open neighbourhood that excludes the other. Hence  $Spec_\alpha(V)$  is a  $T_1$ -space.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.8.** *Assume that every annulet is a direct factor of  $V$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1)  $Spec_\alpha(V)$  is a Hausdorff space.
- (2) For any two distinct prime  $\alpha$ -filters  $P$  and  $Q$  in  $V$ , there is elements  $\mu, \nu \in V$  with  $(\mu)^\bullet \subseteq P$  and  $(\nu)^\bullet \subseteq Q$ , and moreover, there is no  $R \in Spec_\alpha(V)$  with  $\mu \vee \nu \notin R$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) : Assume (1). Let  $P, Q \in Spec_\alpha(V)$  such that  $P \neq Q$ . Since  $Spec_\alpha(V)$  is Hausdorff, there are disjoint open sets  $K'(\mu)$  and  $K'(\nu)$  with  $P \in K'(\mu)$  and  $Q \in K'(\nu)$ , with  $K'(\mu) \cap K'(\nu) = \emptyset$ . Since  $P \in K'(\mu) = K'((\mu)^{\bullet\bullet})$ , we have  $(\mu)^{\bullet\bullet} \not\subseteq P$ . Hence we may choose  $\xi \in (\mu)^{\bullet\bullet}$  such that  $\xi \notin P$ . Because  $(\mu)^\bullet \subseteq (\xi)^\bullet$  and  $(\xi)^\bullet \subseteq P$ , it follows that  $(\mu)^\bullet \subseteq P$ . By symmetry, we likewise obtain  $(\nu)^\bullet \subseteq Q$ . Now assume there exists  $R \in Spec_\alpha(V)$  such that  $\mu \vee \nu \notin R$ . Then  $R \in K'(\mu \vee \nu) = K'(\mu) \cap K'(\nu)$ , contradicting  $K'(\mu) \cap K'(\nu) = \emptyset$ . Thus no such  $R$  exists, completing the proof of (2).

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) : Assume (2) holds. Let  $P \neq Q$  in  $Spec_\alpha(V)$ . By (2), there are  $\mu, \nu \in V$  with  $(\mu)^\bullet \subseteq P$ ,  $(\nu)^\bullet \subseteq Q$ , and there exists no  $R \in Spec_\alpha(V)$  with  $\mu \vee \nu \notin R$ . Since every annulet is a direct factor of  $V$ , both  $(\mu)^\bullet$  and  $(\nu)^\bullet$  are direct factors. Thus,  $(\mu)^\bullet \vee (\mu)^{\bullet\bullet} = V$  and  $(\nu)^\bullet \vee (\nu)^{\bullet\bullet} = V$ . If  $\mu \in P$ , then, as  $P$  is an  $\alpha$ -filter,  $(\mu)^{\bullet\bullet} \subseteq P$ , implying  $V = (\mu)^\bullet \vee (\mu)^{\bullet\bullet} \subseteq P$ , which is impossible. Hence  $\mu \notin P$ , and therefore  $P \in K'(\mu)$ . Similarly,  $\nu \notin Q$ , so  $Q \in K'(\nu)$ . To show that these open sets separate  $P$  and  $Q$ , suppose that  $K'(\mu) \cap K'(\nu) \neq \emptyset$ . Then there exists some  $R \in Spec_\alpha(V)$  with  $R \in K'(\mu) \cap K'(\nu) = K'(\mu \vee \nu)$ , which means  $\mu \vee \nu \notin R$ , contradicting the assumption in (2). Thus  $K'(\mu)$  and  $K'(\nu)$  are disjoint neighbourhoods of  $P$  and  $Q$ , respectively. Hence  $Spec_\alpha(V)$  is Hausdorff.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.9.** *For any  $X (\neq \emptyset) \subseteq Spec_\alpha(V)$  with  $\bigcap_{P \in X} P = \{1\}$ ,  $X$  is Hausdorff if and only if for each  $P \in X$ ,  $P$  is the unique member in  $X$  that containing  $O^\bullet(P)$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $X$  is a Hausdorff space. Let  $P \in X$ . Then  $O^\bullet(P) \subseteq P$ . Let  $Q \in X$  such that  $O^\bullet(P) \subseteq Q$  and  $P \neq Q$ . Since  $X$  is Hausdorff, there are  $\mu, \nu \in V$  with  $P \in K'(\mu)$  and  $Q \in K'(\nu)$  and  $K'(\mu \vee \nu) = K'(\mu) \cap K'(\nu) \cap X = \emptyset$ . Therefore  $\mu \vee \nu \in R$ , for all  $R \in X$ . Since  $\bigcap_{P \in X} P = \{1\}$ ,  $\mu \vee \nu = 1$ . Since  $\mu \in P$ ,  $\nu \in O^\bullet(P) \subseteq Q$ , which is a contradiction to the fact that  $\nu \notin Q$ . Therefore  $P$  is the unique member in  $X$  such that  $O^\bullet(P) \subseteq P$ .

Conversely, suppose that  $P$  is the unique member in  $X$  such that  $O^\bullet(P) \subseteq P$ . Let  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  be two distinct elements in  $X$ . By hypothesis,  $O^\bullet(P_1) \not\subseteq P_2$ . Choose  $\xi \in O^\bullet(P_1)$  such that  $\xi \notin P_2$ . Since

$\xi \in \mathcal{O}^*(P_1)$ , there exists  $\nu \notin P_1$  such that  $\xi \vee \nu = 1$ . Therefore  $P_1 \in K'(\nu)$  and  $P_2 \in K'(\mu)$  and  $K'(\xi) \cap K'(\nu) \cap X = K'(\xi \vee \nu) \cap X = \emptyset$ . Hence  $X$  is a Hausdorff space.  $\square$

#### 4. CONCLUSIONS AND FUTURE WORK

We have given a topological framework for studying prime  $\alpha$ -filters on paradistributive latticoids and obtained several equivalent algebraic and topological conditions for minimality and separation axioms. Future directions include: (1) studying spectral-like properties and possible representation theorems, (2) extending to related classes such as almost distributive lattices and nearlattices, and (3) investigating duality with appropriate ring- or space-like objects. Connections to the recent literature [6–8] suggest further avenues.

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