

2.  $B \equiv^{\mathfrak{A}} \mathcal{A} \Leftrightarrow \overline{B} \sqsubseteq \mathcal{A}$  if it is up-aligned, with finitely join-closed and co-separable core.

**Proof.** We will prove only the first as the second is dual.

$$\begin{aligned}
B \succ^{\mathfrak{A}} \mathcal{A} &\Leftrightarrow \\
\exists A \in \text{up } \mathcal{A}: B \succ^{\mathfrak{A}} A &\Leftrightarrow \\
\exists A \in \text{up } \mathcal{A}: B \sqcap^{\mathfrak{A}} A = 0 &\Leftrightarrow \\
\exists A \in \text{up } \mathcal{A}: B \sqcap^{\mathfrak{B}} A = 0 &\Leftrightarrow \\
\exists A \in \text{up } \mathcal{A}: \overline{B} \sqsupseteq A &\Leftrightarrow \\
\overline{B} \in \text{up } \mathcal{A} &\Leftrightarrow \\
\overline{B} \sqsubseteq \mathcal{A}. &
\end{aligned}$$

□

#### 4.2.4 Characterization of Finitely Meet-Closed Filtrators

**Theorem 4.44.** The following are equivalent for a filtrator  $(\mathfrak{A}; \mathfrak{B})$  whose core is a meet semilattice such that  $\forall a \in \mathfrak{A}: \text{up } a \neq \emptyset$ :

1. The filtrator is finitely meet-closed.
2.  $\text{up } a$  is a filter for every  $a \in \mathfrak{A}$ .

**Proof.**

(1) $\Rightarrow$ (2). Let  $X, Y \in \text{up } a$ . Then  $X \sqcap^{\mathfrak{B}} Y = X \sqcap^{\mathfrak{A}} Y \sqsupseteq a$ . That  $\text{up } a$  is an upper set is obvious. So taking into account that  $\text{up } a \neq \emptyset$ ,  $\text{up } a$  is a filter.

(2) $\Rightarrow$ (1). It is enough to prove that  $a \sqsubseteq A, B \Rightarrow a \sqsubseteq A \sqcap^{\mathfrak{B}} B$  for every  $A, B \in \mathfrak{A}$ . Really:

$$a \sqsubseteq A, B \Rightarrow A, B \in \text{up } a \Rightarrow A \sqcap^{\mathfrak{B}} B \in \text{up } a \Rightarrow a \sqsubseteq A \sqcap^{\mathfrak{B}} B. \quad \square$$

#### 4.2.5 Stars of Elements of Filtrators

**Definition 4.45.** Let  $(\mathfrak{A}; \mathfrak{B})$  be a filtrator. *Core star* of an element  $a$  of a filtrator is

$$\partial a = \{x \in \mathfrak{B} \mid x \not\prec^{\mathfrak{A}} a\}.$$

**Proposition 4.46.**  $\text{up } a \subseteq \partial a$  for any non-least element  $a$  of a filtrator.

**Proof.** For any element  $X \in \mathfrak{B}$

$$X \in \text{up } a \Rightarrow a \sqsubseteq X \wedge a \sqsubseteq a \Rightarrow X \not\prec^{\mathfrak{A}} a \Rightarrow X \in \partial a. \quad \square$$

**Theorem 4.47.** Let  $(\mathfrak{A}; \mathfrak{B})$  be a distributive lattice filtrator with least element and finitely join-closed core which is a join semilattice. Then  $\partial a$  is a free star for each  $a \in \mathfrak{A}$ .

**Proof.** For every  $A, B \in \mathfrak{B}$

$$\begin{aligned}
A \sqcup^{\mathfrak{B}} B \in \partial a &\Leftrightarrow \\
A \sqcup^{\mathfrak{A}} B \in \partial a &\Leftrightarrow \\
(A \sqcup^{\mathfrak{A}} B) \sqcap^{\mathfrak{A}} a \neq 0^{\mathfrak{A}} &\Leftrightarrow \\
(A \sqcap^{\mathfrak{A}} a) \sqcup^{\mathfrak{A}} (B \sqcap^{\mathfrak{A}} a) \neq 0^{\mathfrak{A}} &\Leftrightarrow \\
A \sqcap^{\mathfrak{A}} a \neq 0^{\mathfrak{A}} \vee B \sqcap^{\mathfrak{A}} a \neq 0^{\mathfrak{A}} &\Leftrightarrow \\
A \in \partial a \vee B \in \partial a. &
\end{aligned}$$

That  $\partial a$  doesn't contain  $0^{\mathfrak{A}}$  is obvious. □