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# Lattice-Valued Convergence Spaces: Weaker Regularity and $p$ -Regularity

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By using some lattice-valued Kowalsky's dual diagonal conditions, some weaker regularities for Jäger's generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces and those for Boustique et al's stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces are defined and studied. Here, the lattice  $L$  is a complete Heyting algebra. Some characterizations and properties of weaker regularities are presented. For Jäger's generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces, a notion of closures of stratified  $L$ -filters is introduced and then a new  $p$ -regularity is defined. At last, the relationships between  $p$ -regularities and weaker regularities are established.

*Dedicated to the first author's father Zonghua Li on the occasion of his 60th birthday*

## 1. Introduction

In 1954, Kowalsky [1] introduced a diagonal condition (the  $\mathbf{K}$ -diagonal condition) to characterize whenever a pretopological convergence space is topological. In 1967, Cook and Fischer [2] defined a stronger diagonal condition (the  $\mathbf{F}$ -diagonal condition) which, as they showed therein, is necessary and sufficient for a convergence space to be topological. Furthermore, a dual version of  $\mathbf{F}$  (the  $\mathbf{DF}$ -diagonal condition) is necessary and sufficient for a convergence space to be regular. Regularity can also be characterized by the requirement that, for each filter  $\mathbb{F}$ , if  $\mathbb{F}$  converges to  $x$  then so does  $\overline{\mathbb{F}}$  (the closure of  $\mathbb{F}$ ). In [3, 4], by considering a pair of convergence spaces  $(X, p)$  and  $(X, q)$ , Kent and his coauthors introduced a kind of relative topologicalness (resp., regularity) which was called  $p$ -topologicalness (resp.,  $p$ -regularity). They discussed  $p$ -topologicalness (resp.,  $p$ -regularity) both by neighborhood (resp., closure) of filter [5] and generalized  $\mathbf{F}$  (resp.,  $\mathbf{DF}$ )-diagonal condition. When  $p = q$ ,  $p$ -topologicalness (resp.,  $p$ -regularity) is precisely topologicalness (resp., regularity). In 1996, Kent and Richardson defined a weaker regularity by using the duality of

Kowalsky's diagonal condition. They also proved that weaker regularity, regularity, and  $p$ -regularity were distinct notions but closely related to each other [6].

In [7], Jäger investigated a kind of lattice-valued convergence spaces, which were called generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces. Later, the theory of these spaces was extensively discussed under different lattice context [8–19]. A supercategory of generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces, called levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces in this paper, was researched in [20–24]. Indeed, a generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence space is precisely a left-continuous levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence space [22].

Lattice-valued  $\mathbf{K}$ - and  $\mathbf{F}$ -diagonal conditions for generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces were studied in [11, 12, 17, 18] and those for levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces were discussed in [18, 23]. Both by lattice-valued  $\mathbf{DF}$ -diagonal condition and  $\alpha$ -level closures of stratified  $L$ -filters, the lattice-valued regularity for generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces was presented in [13] and that for levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces was given in [20, 21]. Later, by  $\alpha$ -level closures of stratified  $L$ -filters,  $p$ -regularity for levelwise generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence

spaces was studied in [24]. Recently,  $p$ -topologicalness and  $p$ -regularity for generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces and that for level stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces were discussed systematically in [25].

In this paper, for generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces and levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces, we will discuss some lattice-valued weaker regularities,  $p$ -regularities, and their relationships. The content is arranged as follows. Section 2 recalls some basic notions as preliminary. Section 3 presents the definitions, characterizations, and properties of lattice-valued weaker regularities. Section 4 presents a notion of closures of stratified  $L$ -filters and a new lattice-valued  $p$ -regularity for stratified generalized  $L$ -convergence spaces. Also, the relationships between lattice-valued weaker regularities and lattice-valued  $p$ -regularities are established.

## 2. Preliminaries

In this paper, if not otherwise specified,  $L = (L, \leq)$  is always a complete lattice with a top element 1 and a bottom element 0, which satisfies the distributive law  $\alpha \wedge (\bigvee_{i \in I} \beta_i) = \bigvee_{i \in I} (\alpha \wedge \beta_i)$ . A lattice with these conditions is called a complete Heyting algebra or a frame. The operation  $\rightarrow : L \times L \rightarrow L$  given by  $\alpha \rightarrow \beta = \bigvee \{\gamma \in L : \alpha \wedge \gamma \leq \beta\}$  is called the residuation with respect to  $\wedge$ . A complete Heyting algebra  $L$  is said to be a complete Boolean algebra if it obeys the *law of double negation*:  $\forall \alpha \in L, (\alpha \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow 0 = \alpha$ .

For a set  $X$ , the set  $L^X$  of functions from  $X$  to  $L$  with the pointwise order becomes a complete lattice. Each element of  $L^X$  is called an  $L$ -set (or a fuzzy subset) of  $X$ . For any  $\lambda \in L^X$ ,  $\mathcal{H} \subseteq L^X$ , and  $\alpha \in L$ , we denote by  $\alpha \wedge \lambda$ ,  $\alpha \rightarrow \lambda$ ,  $\bigvee \mathcal{H}$ , and  $\bigwedge \mathcal{H}$  the  $L$ -sets defined by  $(\alpha \wedge \lambda)(x) = \alpha \wedge \lambda(x)$ ,  $(\alpha \rightarrow \lambda)(x) = \alpha \rightarrow \lambda(x)$ ,  $(\bigvee \mathcal{H})(x) = \bigvee_{\mu \in \mathcal{H}} \mu(x)$ , and  $(\bigwedge \mathcal{H})(x) = \bigwedge_{\mu \in \mathcal{H}} \mu(x)$ . Also, we make no difference between a constant function and its value since no confusion will arise. For a crisp subset  $A \subseteq X$ , let  $1_A$  be the characteristic function; that is  $1_A(x) = 1$  if  $x \in A$  and  $1_A(x) = 0$  if  $x \notin A$ . Clearly, the characteristic function  $1_A$  of a subset  $A \subseteq X$  can be regarded as a function from  $X$  to  $L$ .

Let  $X$  be a set. A fuzzy partial order (or an  $L$ -partial order) on  $X$  [26] is a function  $R : X \times X \rightarrow L$  such that (1)  $R(a, a) = 1$  for every  $a \in X$  (reflexivity); (2)  $R(a, b) = R(b, a) = 1$  implies that  $a = b$  for all  $a, b \in X$  (antisymmetry); (3)  $R(a, b) \wedge R(b, c) \leq R(a, c)$  for all  $a, b, c \in X$  (transitivity). The pair  $(X, R)$  is called an  $L$ -partially ordered set.

Let  $[L^X] : L^X \times L^X \rightarrow L$  be a function defined by  $[L^X](\lambda, \mu) = \bigwedge_{x \in X} (\lambda(x) \rightarrow \mu(x))$ ; then  $[L^X]$  is an  $L$ -partial order on  $L^X$ . The value  $[L^X](\lambda, \mu) \in L$  is interpreted as the degree that  $\lambda$  is contained in  $\mu$ . In the sequel, we use the symbol  $[\lambda, \mu]$  to denote  $[L^X](\lambda, \mu)$  for simplicity.

Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be an ordinary function. We define  $f^\rightarrow : L^X \rightarrow L^Y$  and  $f^\leftarrow : L^Y \rightarrow L^X$  [27] by  $f^\rightarrow(\lambda)(y) = \bigvee_{f(x)=y} \lambda(x)$  for  $\lambda \in L^X$  and  $y \in Y$ , and  $f^\leftarrow(\mu) = \mu \circ f$  for  $\mu \in L^Y$ .

**2.1. Stratified  $L$ -(Ultra)filters.** A stratified  $L$ -filter [27] on a set  $X$  is a function  $\mathcal{F} : L^X \rightarrow L$  such that for each  $\lambda, \mu \in L^X$  and

each  $\alpha \in L$ , (F1)  $\mathcal{F}(0) = 0$ ,  $\mathcal{F}(1) = 1$ ; (F2)  $\mathcal{F}(\lambda) \wedge \mathcal{F}(\mu) = \mathcal{F}(\lambda \wedge \mu)$ ; (Fs)  $\mathcal{F}(\alpha) \geq \alpha$ . A stratified  $L$ -filter  $\mathcal{F}$  is called tight if  $\mathcal{F}(\alpha) = \alpha$  for each  $\alpha \in L$  [5]. It is proved in [27] that all stratified  $L$ -filters are tight if and only if  $L$  is a complete Boolean algebra. It is easily seen that for a stratified  $L$ -filter  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $X$ , we have  $\forall \lambda \in L^X, \mathcal{F}(\lambda) = \bigvee_{\mu \in L^X} (\mathcal{F}(\mu) \wedge [\mu, \lambda])$ .

The set  $\mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  of all stratified  $L$ -filters on  $X$  is ordered by  $\mathcal{F} \leq \mathcal{G} \Leftrightarrow \forall \lambda \in L^X, \mathcal{F}(\lambda) \leq \mathcal{G}(\lambda)$ . It is shown in [27] that the partially ordered set  $(\mathcal{F}_L^s(X), \leq)$  has maximal elements which are called stratified  $L$ -ultrafilters. The set of all stratified  $L$ -ultrafilters on  $X$  is denoted as  $\mathcal{U}_L^s(X)$ . Let  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ . Then  $\mathcal{F}$  is an  $L$ -ultrafilter if and only if for all  $\lambda \in L^X$  we have  $\mathcal{F}(\lambda) = \mathcal{F}(\lambda \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow 0$ . A stratified  $L$ -filter  $\mathcal{F}$  is called a stratified  $L$ -prime filter if  $\mathcal{F}(\lambda \vee \mu) = \mathcal{F}(\lambda) \vee \mathcal{F}(\mu)$  for each  $\lambda, \mu \in L^X$ . And when  $L$  is a complete Boolean algebra then  $\mathcal{F} = \bigwedge_{\mathcal{G} \leq \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(X)} \mathcal{G}$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  is prime whenever  $\mathcal{F}$  is maximal [27].

For each  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ , it is easily seen that  $\mathbb{F}_{\mathcal{F}} = \{A \subseteq X \mid \mathcal{F}(1_A) = 1\}$  is a filter on  $X$ . For each  $\lambda \in L^X$ , take  $\iota\lambda = \{x \in X \mid \lambda(x) > 0\}$ . Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be a filter on  $X$ . Then, when  $L$  is a linearly order frame or  $0 \in L$  is prime ( $\alpha \wedge \beta = 0$  implies  $\alpha = 0$  or  $\beta = 0$ ), the function  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{F}} : L^X \rightarrow L$ , defined by  $\forall \lambda \in L^X, \mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{F}}(\lambda) = 1$  if  $\iota\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$  and  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{F}}(\lambda) = 0$  if not so, is a stratified  $L$ -filter on  $X$  [22]. Also, when  $L$  is a linearly order frame or  $0 \in L$  is prime, a stratified  $L$ -ultrafilter takes values in  $\{0, 1\}$  only [10].

**Lemma 1** (Jäger [28] for  $L = [0, 1]$ ). *Let  $L$  be a linearly order frame or let  $0 \in L$  be prime. Then, for each  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(X)$ ,  $\mathbb{F}_{\mathcal{F}}$  is an ultrafilter on  $X$  and  $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{F}_{\mathcal{F}}}$ .*

*Proof.* At first, we check that  $\mathbb{F}_{\mathcal{F}}$  is an ultrafilter on  $X$ . For each  $A \subseteq X$ , we assume that  $A \notin \mathbb{F}_{\mathcal{F}}$ ; that is,  $\mathcal{F}(1_A) = 0$ ; then  $\mathcal{F}(1_{X-A}) = \mathcal{F}(1_{X-A} \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow 0 = \mathcal{F}(1_A) \rightarrow 0 = 1$ . That means  $X - A \in \mathbb{F}_{\mathcal{F}}$ . By the arbitrariness of  $A$  we get that  $\mathbb{F}_{\mathcal{F}}$  is an ultrafilter on  $X$ . At second, we check  $\mathcal{F} \leq \mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{F}_{\mathcal{F}}}$ . Note that  $\mathcal{F}$  takes values in  $\{0, 1\}$  only; thus, it suffices to prove that if  $\mathcal{F}(\lambda) = 1$ ; then  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{F}_{\mathcal{F}}}(\lambda) = 1$ . Indeed, let  $\mathcal{F}(\lambda) = 1$ ; then  $\mathcal{F}(1_{\iota\lambda}) \geq \mathcal{F}(\lambda) = 1$ ; that is,  $\iota\lambda \in \mathbb{F}_{\mathcal{F}}$  and so  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{F}_{\mathcal{F}}}(\lambda) = 1$ . Therefore,  $\mathcal{F} \leq \mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{F}_{\mathcal{F}}}$  and it follows that  $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{F}_{\mathcal{F}}}$  by the maximality of  $\mathcal{F}$ .  $\square$

The following examples belong to the folklore; we list them here because the notations are needed.

**Example 2.** (1) For each point  $x$  in a set  $X$ , the function  $[x] : L^X \rightarrow L, [x](\lambda) = \lambda(x)$  is a stratified  $L$ -filter on  $X$ . In general,  $[x]$  is not a stratified  $L$ -ultrafilter. But when  $L$  is a complete Boolean algebra, then it is so.

(2) Let  $\{\mathcal{F}_j \mid j \in J\}$  be a family of stratified  $L$ -filters on  $X$ ; then  $\bigwedge_{j \in J} \mathcal{F}_j$ , in particular,  $\mathcal{F}_0 = \bigwedge \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ , is a stratified  $L$ -filter on  $X$ .

(3) Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a function. If  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ , then the function  $f^\rightarrow(\mathcal{F}) \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(Y)$ , where  $f^\rightarrow(\mathcal{F}) : L^Y \rightarrow L$  defined by  $\lambda \mapsto \mathcal{F}(\lambda \circ f)$ . If  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(X)$ , then  $f^\rightarrow(\mathcal{F}) \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(Y)$ .

There is a natural fuzzy partial order on  $\mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  inherited from  $L^{L^X}$ . Precisely, for all  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ , if we let

$[\mathcal{F}_L^s(X)](\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}) = [L^{L^X}](\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}) = \bigwedge_{\lambda \in L^X} (\mathcal{F}(\lambda) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(\lambda))$ , then  $[\mathcal{F}_L^s(X)]$  is an  $L$ -partially order. For simplicity, we use the symbol  $[\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}]$  to denote the value  $[\mathcal{F}_L^s(X)](\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})$  below.

## 2.2. Lattice-Valued Convergence Spaces

**Definition 3.** A generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence structure [7] on a set  $X$  is a function  $\lim : \mathcal{F}_L^s(X) \rightarrow L^X$  satisfying (LC1)  $\forall x \in X, \lim[x](x) = 1$ ; and (LC2)  $\forall \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X), \mathcal{F} \leq \mathcal{G} \Rightarrow \lim \mathcal{F} \leq \lim \mathcal{G}$ . The pair  $(X, \lim)$  is called a generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence space. If  $\lim$  further satisfies the strong axiom (LC2')  $\forall \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X), [\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}] \wedge \lim \mathcal{F} \leq \lim \mathcal{G}$ , then the pair  $(X, \lim)$  is called a strong stratified  $L$ -convergence space [8, 15, 16].

A function  $f : X \rightarrow X'$  between two generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces  $(X, \lim), (X', \lim')$  is called continuous if for all  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  and all  $x \in X$  we have  $\lim \mathcal{F}(x) \leq \lim' f^{\Rightarrow}(\mathcal{F})(f(x))$ . The category  $SL\text{-GCS}$  has as objects all generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces and as morphisms the continuous functions. This category is topological over  $SET$  [7, 10]. For a given source  $(X \xrightarrow{f_i} (X_i, \lim_i))_{i \in I}$ , the initial structure,  $\lim$  on  $X$  is defined by  $\forall \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X), \forall x \in X, \lim \mathcal{F}(x) = \bigwedge_{i \in I} \lim_i f_i^{\Rightarrow}(\mathcal{F})(f_i(x))$ .

**Definition 4.** A collection  $\bar{q} = (q_\alpha)_{\alpha \in L}$ , where  $q_\alpha : \mathcal{F}_L^s(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ , is called a levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence structure on  $X$  [20] if it satisfies the following:

$$(LL1) [x] \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x \text{ for each } x \in X;$$

$$(LL2) \mathcal{G} \geq \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x \text{ implies } \mathcal{G} \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x;$$

$$(LL3) \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x \text{ implies } \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{q_\beta} x \text{ whenever } \beta \leq \alpha.$$

The notation,  $\mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x$ , means that  $x \in q_\alpha(\mathcal{F})$ . The pair  $(X, \bar{q})$  is called a levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence space.

A function  $f : X \rightarrow X'$  between two levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces  $(X, \bar{q}), (X', \bar{q}')$  is called continuous if for all  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  all  $x \in X$ , and all  $\alpha \in L$  we have  $\mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x$  implies  $f^{\Rightarrow}(\mathcal{F}) \xrightarrow{q'_\alpha} f(x)$ . The category  $SL\text{-LCS}$  has as objects all levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces and as morphisms the continuous functions. This category is topological over  $SET$  [20, 21]. For a given source  $(X \xrightarrow{f_i} (X_i, \bar{q}^i))_{i \in I}$ , the initial structure,  $\bar{q}$  on  $X$  is defined by  $\mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x \Leftrightarrow \forall i \in I, f_i^{\Rightarrow}(\mathcal{F}) \xrightarrow{q'_\alpha} f_i(x)$  ( $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X), x \in X, \alpha \in L$ ).

## 3. Lattice-Valued Weaker Regularities

In this section, we will present the definitions, characterizations, and properties of lattice-valued weaker regularities.

Let  $X$  be a set; a function  $\phi : X \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  is usually called an  $L$ -filter select function on  $X$ . We define  $\hat{\phi} : L^X \rightarrow L^X$  as  $\hat{\phi}(\lambda) : X \rightarrow L, x \mapsto \phi(x)(\lambda)$ . Let  $\Sigma(X)$  denote the set of

all  $L$ -filter select functions on  $X$ , and let  $\Sigma^*(X)$  be the subset consisting of all  $\phi \in \Sigma$  such that  $\phi(y) \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(X)$  for all  $y \in X$ .

Let  $\phi \in \Sigma(X)$ . For all  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ , it can be proved that the function  $k_L \phi \mathcal{F} : L^X \rightarrow L$ , defined by  $\forall \lambda \in L^X, k_L \phi \mathcal{F}(\lambda) = \mathcal{F}(\hat{\phi}(\lambda))$ , is a stratified  $L$ -filter, which is called the  $L$ -diagonal filter of  $(\phi, \mathcal{F})$  [11, 17]. Then we have the following obvious lemma. It may have appeared in some other places.

**Lemma 5.** Let  $\phi, \sigma \in \Sigma(X)$  or  $\Sigma^*(X)$ . Then

$$(1) \hat{\phi}(0) = 0, \hat{\phi}(1) = 1;$$

$$(2) \text{ for each } \lambda, \mu \in L^X, \hat{\phi}(\lambda \wedge \mu) = \hat{\phi}(\lambda) \wedge \hat{\phi}(\mu);$$

$$(3) \sigma \leq \phi \text{ implies } \hat{\sigma} \leq \hat{\phi};$$

$$(4) \text{ for all } \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X), \text{ then } [\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}] \leq [k_L \phi \mathcal{F}, k_L \phi \mathcal{G}].$$

In particular, if  $\mathcal{F} \leq \mathcal{G}$  then  $k_L \phi \mathcal{F} \leq k_L \phi \mathcal{G}$ .

**3.1. For Generalized Stratified  $L$ -Convergence Spaces.** Let  $(X, \lim)$  be a generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence space. We consider the following axioms.

**DLK.** For each  $\phi \in \Sigma(X)$ , we have

$$\forall \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X), \bigwedge_{y \in X} \lim \phi(y)(y) \leq [\lim k_L \phi \mathcal{F}, \lim \mathcal{F}]. \quad (1)$$

**DLK'.** Taking  $\phi$  as  $\forall y \in X, \lim \phi(y)(y) = 1$  in **DLK**.

Replacing  $\mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  by  $\mathcal{U}_L^s(X)$  in **DLK** (resp., **DLK'**), we obtain a weaker axiom in symbol **DLK\*** (resp., **DLK'\***).

**Remark 6.** The axiom **DLK** is the dual axiom of **LK** which appeared in [11], and the axiom **DLK'** is the dual axiom of **LK'** which appeared in [17].

**Definition 7.** Let  $(X, \lim)$  be a generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence space. Then  $(X, \lim)$  is called  $k$ -regular (resp.,  $k'$ -regular,  $k^*$ -regular, and  $k'^*$ -regular) if it satisfies the axiom **DLK** (resp., **DLK'**, **DLK\***, and **DLK'\***).

**Lemma 8** (Li and Jin [25]). Let  $\phi \in \Sigma(X)$  and  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ . We define  $\mathcal{F}^\phi : L^X \rightarrow L$  as  $\mathcal{F}^\phi(\lambda) = \bigvee_{\mu \in L^X} (\mathcal{F}(\mu) \wedge [\hat{\phi}(\mu), \lambda])$ . Then  $\mathcal{F}^\phi$  satisfies (F1), (F2), and (Fs); thus, we say that  $\mathcal{F}^\phi$  is nearly a stratified  $L$ -filter. If  $\mathcal{F}^\phi \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  then  $k_L \phi(\mathcal{F}^\phi) \geq \mathcal{F}$ .

**Lemma 9.** Let  $\phi \in \Sigma(X)$  and  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ . Then  $(k_L \phi \mathcal{F})^\phi \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  and  $(k_L \phi \mathcal{F})^\phi \leq \mathcal{F}$ .

*Proof.* For each  $\lambda \in L^X$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} (k_L \phi \mathcal{F})^\phi(\lambda) &= \bigvee_{\mu \in L^X} (k_L \phi \mathcal{F}(\mu) \wedge [\hat{\phi}(\mu), \lambda]) \\ &= \bigvee_{\mu \in L^X} (\mathcal{F}(\hat{\phi}(\mu)) \wedge [\hat{\phi}(\mu), \lambda]) \leq \mathcal{F}(\lambda); \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

that is,  $(k_L \phi \mathcal{F})^\phi \leq \mathcal{F}$ . It follows that  $(k_L \phi \mathcal{F})^\phi(0) = 0$ . From the above lemma we have that  $(k_L \phi \mathcal{F})^\phi$  is a stratified  $L$ -filter on  $X$ .  $\square$

By the above two lemmas, we get the following characteristic theorem.

**Theorem 10.** *Let  $(X, \lim)$  be a generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence space. Then  $(X, \lim)$  is  $k$ -regular (resp.,  $k^*$ -regular) if and only if, for each  $\phi \in \Sigma(X)$  (resp.,  $\phi \in \Sigma^*(X)$ ),  $\bigwedge_{y \in X} \lim \phi(y)(y) \leq [\lim \mathcal{F}, \lim \mathcal{F}^\phi]$  whenever  $\mathcal{F}^\phi \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ .*

*Proof.* We prove only for  $k$ -regularity. Assume the given condition is satisfied, let  $\phi \in \Sigma(X)$  and  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ . By Lemma 9 we have  $(k_L \phi \mathcal{F})^\phi \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \bigwedge_{y \in X} \lim \phi(y)(y) &\leq [\lim k_L \phi \mathcal{F}, \lim (k_L \phi \mathcal{F})^\phi] \\ &\leq [\lim k_L \phi \mathcal{F}, \lim \mathcal{F}], \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

and so  $DLK$  holds; that is,  $(X, \lim)$  is  $k$ -regular.

Conversely, let  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ ,  $\phi \in \Sigma(X)$  with  $\mathcal{F}^\phi \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ . By Lemma 8,  $k_L \phi(\mathcal{F}^\phi) \geq \mathcal{F}$ . It follows by  $DLK$  that

$$\begin{aligned} [\lim \mathcal{F}, \lim \mathcal{F}^\phi] &\geq [\lim k_L \phi(\mathcal{F}^\phi), \lim \mathcal{F}^\phi] \\ &\geq \bigwedge_{y \in X} \lim \phi(y)(y). \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Thus, the requirement is satisfied.  $\square$

**Corollary 11.** *A generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence space  $(X, \lim)$  is  $k'$ -regular (resp.,  $k'^*$ -regular) if and only if for each  $\phi \in \Sigma(X)$  (resp.,  $\phi \in \Sigma^*(X)$ ) with  $\lim \phi(y)(y) = 1$  for all  $y \in X$ , we have  $\lim \mathcal{F} \leq \lim \mathcal{F}^\phi$  whenever  $\mathcal{F}^\phi \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ .*

The following theorem considers lattice-valued weaker regularities w.r.t. the initial structures.

**Theorem 12.** *Let  $(X, \lim)$  be the initial structure relative to the source  $(X \xrightarrow{f_i} (X_i, \lim_i))_{i \in I}$  with each  $f_i : X \rightarrow X_i$  being injective. Then if each  $(X_i, \lim_i)$  is  $k$ -regular (resp.,  $k'$ -regular), then the same is true of  $(X, \lim)$ .*

*Proof.* We prove only for  $k$ -regularity. Let  $\phi \in \Sigma(X)$ . Fix  $i \in I$ ; define  $\phi_i \in \Sigma(X_i)$  as  $\phi_i(y) = [y]$  if  $y \notin f_i(X)$  and  $\phi_i(y) = f_i^{\Rightarrow}(\phi(f_i^{-1}(y)))$  if  $y \in f_i(X)$ . Then for each  $i \in I$ , by  $\lim[y](y) = 1$  it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \bigwedge_{y \in X_i} \lim_i \phi_i(y)(y) &= \bigwedge_{y \in f_i(X)} \lim_i \phi_i(y)(y) \\ &= \bigwedge_{x \in X} \lim_i f_i^{\Rightarrow}(\phi(x))(f_i(x)). \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

(In particular, if  $\forall x \in X, \lim \phi(x)(x) = 1$ , then  $\forall y \in X_i, \lim_i \phi_i(y)(y) = 1$ ).

For each  $\lambda \in L^{X_i}$  and each  $x \in X$ , it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{\phi}(\lambda \circ f_i)(x) &= \phi(x)(\lambda \circ f_i) = f_i^{\Rightarrow}(\phi(x))(\lambda) \\ &= \phi_i(f_i(x))(\lambda) = \widehat{\phi}_i(\lambda)(f_i(x)). \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

Hence,  $\widehat{\phi}(\lambda \circ f_i) = \widehat{\phi}_i(\lambda) \circ f_i$ , and then, for each  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} f_i^{\Rightarrow}(k_L \phi \mathcal{F})(\lambda) &= k_L \phi \mathcal{F}(\lambda \circ f_i) = \mathcal{F}(\widehat{\phi}(\lambda \circ f_i)) \\ &= \mathcal{F}(\widehat{\phi}_i(\lambda) \circ f_i) = f_i^{\Rightarrow}(\mathcal{F})(\widehat{\phi}_i(\lambda)) \\ &= k_L \phi_i(f_i^{\Rightarrow}(\mathcal{F}))(\lambda). \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

Therefore,  $f_i^{\Rightarrow}(k_L \phi \mathcal{F}) = k_L \phi_i(f_i^{\Rightarrow}(\mathcal{F}))$ . Then, for each  $x \in X$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \bigwedge_{y \in X} \lim \phi(y)(y) \wedge \lim k_L \phi \mathcal{F}(x) &= \bigwedge_{y \in X} \bigwedge_{i \in I} \lim_i f_i^{\Rightarrow}(\phi(y))(f_i(y)) \\ &\wedge \bigwedge_{i \in I} \lim_i f_i^{\Rightarrow}(k_L \phi \mathcal{F})(f_i(x)) \\ &= \bigwedge_{i \in I} \bigwedge_{z_i \in X_i} \lim_i \phi_i(z_i)(z_i) \wedge \bigwedge_{i \in I} \lim_i k_L \phi_i(f_i^{\Rightarrow}(\mathcal{F}))(f_i(x)) \\ &\leq \bigwedge_{i \in I} \left( \bigwedge_{z_i \in X_i} \lim_i \phi_i(z_i)(z_i) \wedge \lim_i k_L \phi_i(f_i^{\Rightarrow}(\mathcal{F}))(f_i(x)) \right) \\ &\leq \bigwedge_{i \in I} \lim_i f_i^{\Rightarrow}(\mathcal{F})(f_i(x)) = \lim \mathcal{F}(x). \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

Here, the last inequality holds because each  $(X_i, \lim_i)$  is  $k$ -regular. Now, we have proved that  $(X, \lim)$  is  $k$ -regular.  $\square$

The following theorem gives the relationship between types of lattice-valued weaker regularities.

**Theorem 13.** *Let  $L$  be a complete Boolean algebra. Then  $k$ -regularity  $\Leftrightarrow k^*$ -regularity and  $k'$ -regularity  $\Leftrightarrow k'^*$ -regularity.*

*Proof.* We check only the equivalence  $k$ -regularity  $\Leftrightarrow k^*$ -regularity. The other equivalence is similar. Obviously,  $k$ -regularity  $\Rightarrow k^*$ -regularity. Conversely, let  $(X, \lim)$  be  $k^*$ -regular. Note that when  $L$  is a complete Boolean algebra, then for every stratified  $L$ -filter there exists a stratified  $L$ -ultrafilter containing it. Thus, for each  $\phi \in \Sigma(X)$ , there is some  $\phi^* \in \Sigma^*$  such that  $\phi(y) \leq \phi^*(y)$  for all  $y \in X$ . Assume that  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  with  $\mathcal{F}^\phi \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ . Then it is easily seen that  $\mathcal{F}^{\phi^*} \leq \mathcal{F}^\phi$  and  $\mathcal{F}^{\phi^*} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ . By Theorem 10,

$$\begin{aligned} \bigwedge_{y \in X} \lim \phi(y)(y) &\leq \bigwedge_{y \in X} \lim \phi^*(y)(y) \leq [\lim \mathcal{F}, \lim \mathcal{F}^{\phi^*}] \\ &\leq [\lim \mathcal{F}, \lim \mathcal{F}^\phi]. \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

Thus,  $(X, \lim)$  is  $k$ -regular.  $\square$

As a consequence, we obtain that when  $L$  is a complete Boolean algebra, Theorem 12 holds for  $k^*$ -regularity and  $k'^*$ -regularity.

Obviously,  $k$ -regularity  $\Rightarrow k'$ -regularity and  $k^*$ -regularity  $\Rightarrow k'^*$ -regularity. The following example shows that the reverse inclusions do not hold generally.



*Example 14.* Let  $X = \{x, y\}$  and  $L = \{0, \alpha, \beta, 1\}$  with ordering  $0 < \alpha, \beta < 1$  and  $\alpha \wedge \beta = 0, \alpha \vee \beta = 1$ . Then  $(L, \wedge)$  becomes a complete Boolean algebra. Obviously,  $[x]$  and  $[y]$  are all stratified  $L$ -ultrafilters on  $X$ . Thus, it is easily seen that the function  $\lim : \mathcal{F}_L^s(X) \rightarrow L^X$  defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \lim \mathcal{F}(x) &= \begin{cases} 1, & \mathcal{F} = [x]; \\ \alpha, & \mathcal{F} = [y]; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \\ \lim \mathcal{F}(y) &= \begin{cases} 1, & \mathcal{F} = [y]; \\ \beta, & \mathcal{F} = [x]; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

is a generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence structure on  $X$ .

(1)  $(X, \lim)$  satisfies  $DLK'(DLK'^*)$ . Let  $\phi \in \Sigma(X)$  with  $\lim \phi(x)(x) = \lim \phi(y)(y) = 1$ . Then  $\phi(x) = [x], \phi(y) = [y]$ . Thus, for each  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ , we have  $k_L \phi \mathcal{F} = \mathcal{F}$ . Then the axiom  $DLK'$ , and thus the axiom  $DLK'^*$  holds obviously.

(2)  $(X, \lim)$  does not satisfy  $DLK(DLK^*)$ . Let  $\phi \in \Sigma(X)$  be defined by  $\phi(x) = \phi(y) = [y]$ . Then, for each  $\lambda \in L^X$ , we have  $\widehat{\phi}(\lambda) = \lambda(y)$ . For each  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} k_L \phi \mathcal{F}(\lambda) &= \mathcal{F}(\widehat{\phi}(\lambda)) = \mathcal{F}(\lambda(y)) \stackrel{\text{tight}}{=} \lambda(y) \\ &= [y](\lambda); \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

that is,  $k_L \phi \mathcal{F} = [y]$ .

Taking  $\mathcal{G} = [x] \wedge [y]$ , then  $\lim \mathcal{G}(x) = \lim \mathcal{G}(y) = 0$ , and  $\lim k_L \phi \mathcal{G}(x) = \lim [y](x) = \alpha, \lim k_L \phi \mathcal{G}(y) = \lim [y](y) = 1$ . It follows that

$$\alpha = \bigwedge_{z \in X} \lim \phi(z)(z) \not\leq 0 = [\lim k_L \phi \mathcal{G}, \lim \mathcal{G}]. \tag{12}$$

It follows that the axiom  $DLK^*$  and thus the axiom  $DLK$  does not hold.

**3.2. For Levelwise Stratified  $L$ -Convergence Spaces.** Let  $(X, \overline{q})$  be a levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence space. We consider the following axioms:

*DLLK.* For each  $\phi \in \Sigma(X)$  and each  $\alpha \in L$  with  $\forall z \in X, \phi(z) \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} z$ . Then  $\forall \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X), \forall x \in X, \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x$  whenever  $k_L \phi \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x$ .

Replacing  $\mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  by  $\mathcal{U}_L^s(X)$  in *DLLK*, we obtain a weaker axiom in symbol  $DLLK^*$ .

*Remark 15.* The axiom *DLLK* is a special case of the regular axiom (R2) in [23] with  $J = X$  and  $\psi = id$ .

*Definition 16.* Let  $(X, \overline{q})$  be a levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence space. Then  $(X, \overline{q})$  is called  $k$ -regular (resp.,  $k^*$ -regular) if it satisfies the axiom *DLLK* (resp., *DLLK^\**).

For  $k$ -regularity ( $k^*$ -regularity), we have the following characteristic theorem.

**Theorem 17.** Let  $(X, \overline{q})$  be a levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence space. Then  $(X, \overline{q})$  is  $k$ -regular (resp.,  $k^*$ -regular) if and only if for each  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  and each  $\phi \in \Sigma(X)$  (resp.,  $\phi \in \Sigma^*(X)$ ) and each  $\alpha \in L$  with  $\forall z \in X, \phi(z) \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} z$ , we have that  $\mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x$  implies  $\mathcal{F}^\phi \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x$  whenever  $\mathcal{F}^\phi \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ .

*Proof.* We prove only for  $k$ -regularity. Assume the given condition is satisfied; let  $\phi \in \Sigma(X)$  satisfy the condition in *DLLK* and  $k_L \phi \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x$ . By Lemma 9 we have  $(k_L \phi \mathcal{F})^\phi \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  and  $(k_L \phi \mathcal{F})^\phi \leq \mathcal{F}$ . By the given condition, we have  $(k_L \phi \mathcal{F})^\phi \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x$  and then  $\mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x$ . So, the axiom *DLLK* holds; that is,  $(X, \overline{q})$  is  $k$ -regular. Conversely, Let  $\phi \in \Sigma(X)$  and  $\alpha \in L$  with  $\forall z \in X, \phi(z) \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} z$ . Suppose that  $\mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x$  and  $\mathcal{F}^\phi \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ . By Lemma 8,  $k_L \phi(\mathcal{F}^\phi) \geq \mathcal{F}$ , so,  $k_L \phi(\mathcal{F}^\phi) \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x$ . It follows by *DLLK* that  $\mathcal{F}^\phi \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x$  as desired.  $\square$

The following theorem shows that  $k$ -regular is an initial property relative to any family of injection functions.

**Theorem 18.** Let  $(X, \overline{q})$  be the initial structure relative to the source  $(X \xrightarrow{f_i} (X_i, \overline{q^i}))_{i \in I}$  with each  $f_i : X \rightarrow X_i$  being injective. If each  $(X_i, \overline{q^i})$  is  $k$ -regular, then the same is true of  $(X, \overline{q})$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\phi \in \Sigma(X)$  and  $\alpha \in L$  satisfy  $\phi(x) \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x$  for all  $x \in X$ . Fix  $i \in I$ ; define  $\phi_i \in \Sigma(X_i)$  as  $\phi_i(y) = [y]$  if  $y \notin f_i(X)$  and  $\phi_i(y) = f_i^{\Rightarrow}(\phi(f_i^{-1}(y)))$  if  $y \in f_i(X)$ . Then  $\phi_i(y) \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} y$  for each  $y \in X_i$ . Indeed, if  $y \notin f_i(X)$ , then  $\phi_i(y) = [y] \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} y$ , and if  $y \in f_i(X)$ , then there exists an  $x \in X$  such that  $f_i(x) = y$  and so  $\phi_i(y) = f_i^{\Rightarrow}(\phi(x)) \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} f_i(x) = y$ . Let  $k_L \phi \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x$ . Similar to Theorem 12, we have  $f_i^{\Rightarrow}(k_L \phi \mathcal{F}) = k_L \phi_i(f_i^{\Rightarrow}(\mathcal{F}))$  for all  $i \in I$ . Because each  $f_i$  is continuous, thus  $k_L \phi_i(f_i^{\Rightarrow}(\mathcal{F})) = f_i^{\Rightarrow}(k_L \phi \mathcal{F}) \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} f_i(x)$ . Then  $f_i^{\Rightarrow}(\mathcal{F}) \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} f_i(x)$  since each  $(X_i, \overline{q^i})$  is  $k$ -regular. It follows that  $\mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x$  by the definition of initial structure. We have proved that  $(X, \overline{q})$  is  $k$ -regular.  $\square$

**Theorem 19.** Let  $L$  be a complete Boolean algebra. Then  $k$ -regularity  $\Leftrightarrow k^*$ -regularity.

*Proof.* The proof is similar to Theorem 13 and thus it is omitted.  $\square$

As a consequence, we obtain that when  $L$  is a complete Boolean algebra, then Theorem 18 holds for  $k^*$ -regularity.

The last theorem gives the relationship between  $k$ -regularity for generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence space and  $k$ -regularity for levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence space.

Let  $(X, \lim)$  be a generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence space. It is proved in [22] that the pair  $(X, \overline{q^{\lim}})$ , where

$\mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{(q^{\text{lim}})_\alpha} x$  if and only if  $\lim \mathcal{F}(x) \geq \alpha$ , is a levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence space.

**Theorem 20.** Let  $(X, \text{lim})$  be a generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence space. Then  $(X, \text{lim})$  is  $k$ -regular (resp.,  $k^*$ -regular) if and only if  $(X, \overline{q^{\text{lim}}})$  is  $k$ -regular (resp.,  $k^*$ -regular).

*Proof.* We prove only for  $k$ -regularity. Let  $(X, \text{lim})$  be  $k$ -regular. Take  $\phi \in \Sigma(X)$  and  $\alpha \in L$  with  $\forall z \in X, \phi(z) \xrightarrow{(q^{\text{lim}})_\alpha} z$ ; then we have  $\alpha \leq \bigwedge_{y \in X} \lim \phi(y)(y)$ . Take  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  with  $\mathcal{F}^\phi \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ ; then we have  $\mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{(q^{\text{lim}})_\alpha} x$ ; that is,  $\lim \mathcal{F}(x) \geq \alpha$ . By Theorem 10 we obtain  $\alpha \leq \bigwedge_{y \in X} \lim \phi(y)(y) \leq [\lim \mathcal{F}, \lim \mathcal{F}^\phi]$ . Then  $\lim \mathcal{F}^\phi(x) \geq \alpha$ ; that is,  $\mathcal{F}^\phi \xrightarrow{(q^{\text{lim}})_\alpha} x$ . It follows by Theorem 17 that  $(X, \overline{q^{\text{lim}}})$  is  $k$ -regular.

Conversely, assume that  $(X, \overline{q^{\text{lim}}})$  is  $k$ -regular. Let us take  $\phi \in \Sigma(X)$  with  $\bigwedge_{y \in X} \lim \phi(y)(y) = \alpha$  and take  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  with  $\mathcal{F}^\phi \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ . Then if  $\lim \mathcal{F}(x) = \beta$  for  $x \in X$ , we have  $\phi(y) \xrightarrow{(q^{\text{lim}})_{\alpha \wedge \beta}} y$  and  $\mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{(q^{\text{lim}})_{\alpha \wedge \beta}} x$ . It follows by Theorem 17 that  $\mathcal{F}^\phi \xrightarrow{(q^{\text{lim}})_{\alpha \wedge \beta}} x$ ; that is,  $\lim \mathcal{F}^\phi(x) \geq \alpha \wedge \beta$ . By the arbitrariness of  $x$  we note that  $\bigwedge_{y \in X} \lim \phi(y)(y) = \alpha \leq [\lim \mathcal{F}, \lim \mathcal{F}^\phi]$ . It follows by Theorem 10 that  $(X, \text{lim})$  is  $k$ -regular.  $\square$

#### 4. On the Relationship between Weaker Regularity and $p$ -Regularity

**4.1. For Generalized Stratified  $L$ -Convergence Spaces.** Generally,  $p$ -regularity relates to two different generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence structures on the same underlying set. Thus, in this section, we add the lowercases  $p, q$  as the superscript of  $\text{lim}$  and use  $\text{lim}^p, \text{lim}^q$  to denote different generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence structures.

At first, we give the notion of closures of stratified  $L$ -filters and then introduce a new  $p$ -regularity.

**Definition 21.** Let  $(X, \text{lim}^p)$  be a generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence space. For each  $\lambda \in L^X$ , the  $L$ -set  $\overline{\lambda}_p \in L^X$  defined by

$$\forall x \in X, \quad \overline{\lambda}_p(x) = \bigvee_{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(X)} (\text{lim}^p \mathcal{F}(x) \wedge \mathcal{F}(\lambda)) \quad (13)$$

is called the closure of  $\lambda$  w.r.t  $(X, \text{lim}^p)$ .

**Lemma 22.** Let  $(X, \text{lim}^p)$  be a generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence space. Then for all  $\lambda, \mu \in L^X$  and all  $\alpha \in L$  we get the following:

- (1)  $\lambda \leq \overline{\lambda}_p$ ;
- (2)  $\lambda \leq \mu$  implies  $\overline{\lambda}_p \leq \overline{\mu}_p$ ;
- (3)  $\overline{(\beta \wedge \lambda)}_p \geq \beta \wedge \overline{\lambda}_p$  and the equality holds if  $L$  is a complete Boolean algebra;

- (4) if  $L$  is a complete Boolean algebra, then  $\forall x \in X$ ,  $\overline{\lambda}_p(x) = \bigvee_{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(X)} (\text{lim}^p \mathcal{F}(x) \wedge \mathcal{F}(\lambda))$ , and  $\overline{(\lambda \vee \mu)}_p = \overline{\lambda}_p \vee \overline{\mu}_p$ .

*Proof.* (1) For each  $x \in X$ , by  $\text{lim}^p[x](x) = 1$  we get  $\overline{\lambda}_p(x) \geq [x](\lambda) = \lambda(x)$ . So,  $\lambda \leq \overline{\lambda}_p$ . Take  $\lambda = 1$  in (1); we obtain  $\overline{1}_p = 1$ . (2) It follows from the property (F2) of stratified  $L$ -filters. (3) For each  $x \in X$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{(\beta \wedge \lambda)}_p(x) &= \bigvee_{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(X)} (\text{lim}^p \mathcal{F}(x) \wedge \mathcal{F}(\beta \wedge \lambda)) \\ &= \bigvee_{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(X)} (\text{lim}^p \mathcal{F}(x) \wedge \mathcal{F}(\beta) \wedge \mathcal{F}(\lambda)) \\ &\geq \bigvee_{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(X)} (\text{lim}^p \mathcal{F}(x) \wedge \beta \wedge \mathcal{F}(\lambda)) \\ &= \beta \wedge \bigvee_{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(X)} (\text{lim}^p \mathcal{F}(x) \wedge \mathcal{F}(\lambda)) \\ &= \beta \wedge \overline{\lambda}_p(x). \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

When  $L$  is a complete Boolean algebra, then  $\forall \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ ,  $\mathcal{F}(\beta) = \beta$ . So, the “ $\geq$ ” in the above inequality can be replaced by “ $=$ ”. Thus,  $\overline{(\beta \wedge \lambda)}_p = \beta \wedge \overline{\lambda}_p$ .

(5) Let  $L$  be a complete Boolean algebra. That  $\overline{\lambda}_p(x) = \bigvee_{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(X)} (\text{lim}^p \mathcal{F}(x) \wedge \mathcal{F}(\lambda))$  follows because, for each  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ , there exists an  $L$ -ultrafilter  $\mathcal{G}$  such that  $\mathcal{F} \leq \mathcal{G}$ . To prove  $\overline{(\lambda \vee \mu)}_p = \overline{\lambda}_p \vee \overline{\mu}_p$ , it suffices to check that  $\overline{(\lambda \vee \mu)}_p \leq \overline{\lambda}_p \vee \overline{\mu}_p$  since the reverse inequality holds by (2). Indeed, because each stratified  $L$ -ultrafilter is prime we have

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{\lambda}_p(x) \vee \overline{\mu}_p(x) &= \left( \bigvee_{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(X)} (\text{lim}^p \mathcal{F}(x) \wedge \mathcal{F}(\lambda)) \right) \\ &\quad \vee \left( \bigvee_{\mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(X)} (\text{lim}^p \mathcal{G}(x) \wedge \mathcal{G}(\mu)) \right) \\ &= \bigvee_{\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(X)} ((\text{lim}^p \mathcal{F}(x) \wedge \mathcal{F}(\lambda)) \\ &\quad \vee (\text{lim}^p \mathcal{G}(x) \wedge \mathcal{G}(\mu))) \\ &\geq \bigvee_{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(X)} ((\text{lim}^p \mathcal{F}(x) \wedge \mathcal{F}(\lambda)) \\ &\quad \vee (\text{lim}^p \mathcal{F}(x) \wedge \mathcal{F}(\mu))) \\ &= \bigvee_{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(X)} (\text{lim}^p \mathcal{F}(x) \wedge (\mathcal{F}(\lambda) \vee \mathcal{F}(\mu))) \\ &= \bigvee_{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(X)} (\text{lim}^p \mathcal{F}(x) \wedge \mathcal{F}(\lambda \vee \mu)) = \overline{(\lambda \vee \mu)}_p(x). \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

$\square$

**Theorem 23.** Let  $(X, \lim^p)$  be a generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence space. For each  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ , the function  $\overline{\mathcal{F}}_p : L^X \rightarrow L$  defined by

$$\forall \lambda \in L^X, \quad \overline{\mathcal{F}}_p(\lambda) = \bigvee_{\mu \in L^X} (\mathcal{F}(\mu) \wedge [\overline{\mu}_p, \lambda]) \quad (16)$$

is a stratified  $L$ -filter, called the closure of  $\mathcal{F}$ .

*Proof.* (F1) That  $\overline{\mathcal{F}}_p(1) = 1$  is obvious. By Lemma 22(1) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{\mathcal{F}}_p(\lambda) &= \bigvee_{\mu \in L^X} (\mathcal{F}(\mu) \wedge [\overline{\mu}_p, \lambda]) \\ &\leq \bigvee_{\mu \in L^X} (\mathcal{F}(\mu) \wedge [\mu, \lambda]) \leq \mathcal{F}(\lambda). \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

Thus,  $\overline{\mathcal{F}}_p(0) = 0$ . □

(F2) Firstly, note that  $\overline{\mathcal{F}}_p(\lambda) \leq \overline{\mathcal{F}}_p(\mu)$  whenever  $\lambda \leq \mu$ . It follows that  $\overline{\mathcal{F}}_p(\lambda \wedge \mu) \leq \overline{\mathcal{F}}_p(\lambda) \wedge \overline{\mathcal{F}}_p(\mu)$ . Conversely,

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{\mathcal{F}}_p(\lambda) \wedge \overline{\mathcal{F}}_p(\mu) &= \bigvee_{a \in L^X} (\mathcal{F}(a) \wedge [\overline{a}_p, \lambda]) \wedge \bigvee_{b \in L^X} (\mathcal{F}(b) \wedge [\overline{b}_p, \mu]) \\ &= \bigvee_{a, b \in L^X} (\mathcal{F}(a) \wedge \mathcal{F}(b) \wedge [\overline{a}_p, \lambda] \wedge [\overline{b}_p, \mu]) \\ &\leq \bigvee_{a, b \in L^X} (\mathcal{F}(a \wedge b) \wedge [\overline{(a \wedge b)}_p, \lambda \wedge \mu]) \\ &\leq \bigvee_{c \in L^X} (\mathcal{F}(c) \wedge [\overline{c}_p, \lambda \wedge \mu]) = \overline{\mathcal{F}}_p(\lambda \wedge \mu). \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

(Fs) For all  $\beta \in L$ , it follows that  $\overline{\mathcal{F}}_p(\beta) = \bigvee_{\mu \in L^X} (\mathcal{F}(\mu) \wedge [\overline{\mu}_p, \beta]) \geq \mathcal{F}(1) \wedge \beta = \beta$  by  $\overline{1}_p = 1$ .

It is easily seen that the following lemma holds. We omit the routine proof.

**Lemma 24.** Let  $(X, \lim^p)$  be a generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence space. Then, for each  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ ,  $[\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}] \leq [\overline{\mathcal{F}}_p, \overline{\mathcal{G}}_p]$ .

*Definition 25.* Let  $(X, \lim^p, \lim^q)$  be a pair of generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces. Then  $(X, \lim^q)$  is called  $p$ -regular if and only if, for each  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ , we have  $\lim^q \mathcal{F} \leq \lim^q \overline{\mathcal{F}}_p$ .

*Remark 26.* When  $L = \{0, 1\}$ , a generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence space reduces to a convergence space. It is easily seen that  $\overline{\mathcal{F}}_p$  is precisely the filter generated by  $\{\overline{A} : A \in \mathbb{F}\}$  as a filterbasis [29]. And the  $p$ -regularity reduces to the corresponding crisp notion in [3].

The following theorem shows that  $p$ -regularity is preserved under initial constructions.

**Theorem 27.** Let  $\{(X_i, \lim^{q_i}, \lim^{p_i})\}_{i \in I}$  be pairs of generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces with each  $\lim^{q_i}$  being  $p_i$ -regular. If  $\lim^q$  (resp.,  $\lim^p$ ) is the initial structure on  $X$  relative to the source  $(X \xrightarrow{f_i} (X_i, \lim^{q_i}))_{i \in I}$  (resp.,  $(X \xrightarrow{f_i} (X_i, \lim^{p_i}))_{i \in I}$ ), then  $(X, \lim^q)$  is  $p$ -regular.

*Proof.* At first, we check below that for each  $i \in I$  and each  $\lambda_i \in L^{X_i}$  we have  $\overline{(f_i^{\leftarrow}(\lambda_i))}_p \leq f_i^{\leftarrow}(\overline{(\lambda_i)}_{p_i})$ . Indeed, for each  $x \in X$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{(f_i^{\leftarrow}(\lambda_i))}_p(x) &= \bigvee_{\mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)} (\lim^p \mathcal{G}(x) \wedge \mathcal{G}(f_i^{\leftarrow}(\lambda_i))) \\ &= \bigvee_{\mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)} \left( \bigwedge_{j \in I} \lim^{p_j} f_j^{\rightarrow}(\mathcal{G})(f_j(x)) \right) \wedge \mathcal{G}(f_i^{\leftarrow}(\lambda_i)) \\ &\leq \bigvee_{\mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)} (\lim^{p_i} f_i^{\rightarrow}(\mathcal{G})(f_i(x)) \wedge f_i^{\rightarrow}(\mathcal{G})(\lambda_i)) \\ &\leq \bigvee_{\mathcal{G}_i \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X_i)} (\lim^{p_i} \mathcal{G}_i(f_i(x)) \wedge \mathcal{G}_i(\lambda_i)) \\ &= f_i^{\leftarrow}(\overline{(\lambda_i)}_{p_i})(x). \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

It follows that, for each  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  and each  $\lambda_i \in L^{X_i}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} f_i^{\rightarrow}(\overline{\mathcal{F}}_p)(\lambda_i) &= \overline{\mathcal{F}}_p(f_i^{\leftarrow}(\lambda_i)) = \bigvee_{\mu \in L^X} ([\overline{\mu}_p, f_i^{\leftarrow}(\lambda_i)] \wedge \mathcal{F}(\mu)) \\ &\geq \bigvee_{\mu_i \in L^{X_i}} ([\overline{(f_i^{\leftarrow}(\mu_i))}_p, f_i^{\leftarrow}(\lambda_i)] \wedge \mathcal{F}(f_i^{\leftarrow}(\mu_i))) \\ &\geq \bigvee_{\mu_i \in L^{X_i}} ([f_i^{\leftarrow}(\overline{(\mu_i)}_{p_i}), f_i^{\leftarrow}(\lambda_i)] \wedge \mathcal{F}(f_i^{\leftarrow}(\mu_i))) \\ &\geq \bigvee_{\mu_i \in L^{X_i}} ([\overline{(\mu_i)}_{p_i}, \lambda_i] \wedge f_i^{\rightarrow}(\mathcal{F})(\mu_i)) \\ &= \overline{(f_i^{\rightarrow}(\mathcal{F}))}_{p_i}(\lambda_i). \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

Thus,  $f_i^{\rightarrow}(\overline{\mathcal{F}}_p) \geq \overline{(f_i^{\rightarrow}(\mathcal{F}))}_{p_i}$  for all  $i \in I$ . It follows by each  $(X_i, \lim^{q_i})$  being  $p_i$ -regular that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim^q \overline{\mathcal{F}}_p(x) &= \bigwedge_{i \in I} \lim^{q_i} f_i^{\rightarrow}(\overline{\mathcal{F}}_p)(f_i(x)) \\ &\geq \bigwedge_{i \in I} \lim^{q_i} \overline{(f_i^{\rightarrow}(\mathcal{F}))}_{p_i}(f_i(x)) \\ &\geq \bigwedge_{i \in I} \lim^{q_i} f_i^{\rightarrow}(\mathcal{F})(f_i(x)) = \lim^q \mathcal{F}(x). \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

Thus,  $(X, \lim^q)$  is  $p$ -regular. □

When  $L = \{0, 1\}$ , Kent and Richardson [6] studied the relationships between weaker regularities and  $p$ -regularity. Now we discuss them for the general case.

**Definition 28.** A generalized (strong) stratified  $L$ -convergence space  $(X, \lim^q)$  is called

- (i) a (strong)  $L$ -Kent convergence space [10] if  $\forall \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X), \forall x \in X, \lim^q \mathcal{F}(x) \leq \lim^q(\mathcal{F} \wedge [x])(x)$ ;
- (ii) pretopological [11] if  $\forall \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X), \forall x \in X, \lim^q \mathcal{F}(x) = [\mathcal{U}_q(x), \mathcal{F}]$ , where  $\mathcal{U}_q(x)$ , defined by  $\forall \lambda \in L^X, \mathcal{U}_q(x)(\lambda) = \bigwedge_{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)} (\lim^q \mathcal{F}(x) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(\lambda))$ , is called the stratified neighborhood  $L$ -filter of  $x$  w.r.t.  $\lim^q$ , and when  $(X, \lim^q)$  is a strong stratified  $L$ -convergence space, then  $(X, \lim^q)$  is pretopological if and only if it satisfies  $\lim^q \mathcal{U}_q(x)(x) = 1$  for all  $x \in X$  [17];
- (iii) ultrapretopological if it is pretopological and for each  $x \in X$ , there exists a stratified  $L$ -ultrafilter  $\mathcal{F}_x$  such that  $\mathcal{U}_q(x) = [x] \wedge \mathcal{F}_x$ ;
- (iv) topological [11] if there exists a stratified  $L$ -topology  $\mathcal{T}$  such that  $\forall \lambda \in L^X, \forall x \in X$ , we have  $\mathcal{U}_q(x)(\lambda) = \text{int}(\lambda)(x)$ , where  $\text{int}(\lambda) = \bigvee_{\mu \in \mathcal{T}} (\mu \wedge [\mu, \lambda])$  is called the interior of  $\lambda$  w.r.t.  $\mathcal{T}$  [11, 30].

**Proposition 29.** Let  $(X, \lim^q)$  be a strong stratified  $L$ -Kent convergence space which is  $p$ -regular relative to every ultrapretopological generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence structure  $\lim^p \leq \lim^q$ . Then  $(X, \lim^q)$  is  $k^{*}$ -regular.

*Proof.* Let  $\phi \in \Sigma^*(X)$  with  $\forall y \in X, \lim^q \phi(y)(y) = 1$ . Let  $\lim^p$  be the ultrapretopological generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence structure defined by  $\forall y \in X, \mathcal{U}_p(y) = \phi(y) \wedge [y]$ . From  $\phi(y) \geq \mathcal{U}_p(y)$  we have  $\lim^p \phi(y)(y) = 1$ . For each  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  with  $\mathcal{F}^\phi \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ , it follows that for each  $\lambda \in L^X, \bar{\lambda}^p(y) = \bigvee_{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)} (\lim^p \mathcal{F}(y) \wedge \mathcal{F}(\lambda)) \geq \phi(y)(\lambda)$ , which means  $\bar{\lambda}_p \geq \hat{\phi}(\lambda)$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathcal{F}}_p(\lambda) &= \bigvee_{\mu \in L^X} (\mathcal{F}(\mu) \wedge [\bar{\mu}_p, \lambda]) \\ &\leq \bigvee_{\mu \in L^X} (\mathcal{F}(\mu) \wedge [\hat{\phi}(\mu), \lambda]) = \mathcal{F}^\phi(\lambda); \end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

that is,  $\bar{\mathcal{F}}_p \leq \mathcal{F}^\phi$ . Because  $(X, \lim^q)$  is a strong  $L$ -Kent convergence space, then it follows that  $\lim^q \mathcal{U}_p(y) = \lim^q(\phi(y) \wedge [y])(y) \geq \lim^q \phi(y)(y) = 1$ , and so

$$\begin{aligned} \forall \mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X), \forall y \in X, \\ \lim^p \mathcal{G}(y) = [\mathcal{U}_p(y), \mathcal{G}] = \lim^q \mathcal{U}_p(y) \wedge [\mathcal{U}_p(y), \mathcal{G}] \\ \stackrel{(LC2')}{\leq} \lim^q \mathcal{G}(y). \end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

That is,  $\lim^p \leq \lim^q$ . It follows by the assumption that  $(X, \lim^q)$  is  $p$ -regular. Thus  $\lim^q \mathcal{F}^\phi(x) \geq \lim^q \bar{\mathcal{F}}_p(x) \geq \lim^q \mathcal{F}(x)$ . By Theorem 17 we know that  $(X, \lim^q)$  is  $k^{*}$ -regular.  $\square$

It is easily seen that when  $L$  is a complete Boolean algebra, then the above proposition holds for  $k'$ -regularity.

**Lemma 30.** Let  $(X, \lim^q)$  be a topological generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence space and let  $\mathcal{T}$  be the stratified  $L$ -topology corresponding to  $\lim^q$ . Then  $\mathcal{F} \geq \mathcal{U}_q(x)$  if and only if  $\mathcal{F}(\mu) \geq \mathcal{U}_q(x)(\mu)$  for all  $\mu \in \mathcal{T}$ .

*Proof.* We need only to check the sufficiency. Note that for each  $\mu \in L^X, \mathcal{U}_q(x)(\mu) = \text{int}(\mu)(x)$  and  $\mathcal{U}_q(x)(\mu) = \text{int}(\mu)(x) = \mu(x)$  if  $\mu \in \mathcal{T}$  [11, 30]. It follows that, for each  $\lambda \in L^X$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}(\lambda) &= \bigvee_{\mu \in L^X} (\mathcal{F}(\mu) \wedge [\mu, \lambda]) \\ &\geq \bigvee_{\mu \in \mathcal{T}} (\mathcal{F}(\mu) \wedge [\mu, \lambda]) \geq \bigvee_{\mu \in \mathcal{T}} (\mathcal{U}_q(x)(\mu) \wedge [\mu, \lambda]) \\ &= \bigvee_{\mu \in \mathcal{T}} (\mu(x) \wedge [\mu, \lambda]) = \text{int}(\lambda)(x) = \mathcal{U}_q(x)(\lambda). \end{aligned} \tag{24}$$

**Theorem 31.** Let  $L$  be a linearly order frame or let  $0 \in L$  be prime. A topological generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence space  $(X, \lim^q)$  is  $k^{*}$ -regular if and only if it is  $p$ -regular for every ultrapretopological generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence structure  $\lim^p \leq \lim^q$ .

*Proof.* Note that a topological generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence space is natural a strong stratified  $L$ -Kent convergence space [17]. Then the sufficiency follows by Proposition 29. Thus, we prove only the necessity. Let  $(X, \lim^q)$  be  $k^{*}$ -regular and let  $\lim^p$  be an arbitrary ultrapretopological generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence structure with  $\lim^p \leq \lim^q$ . Then, for each  $y \in X$ , there exists a  $\mathcal{H}_y \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(X)$  such that  $\mathcal{U}_p(y) = \mathcal{H}_y \wedge [y]$ . Obviously,  $\lim^p \mathcal{H}_y(y) \geq \lim^p \mathcal{U}_p(y)(y) = 1$  and then  $\lim^q \mathcal{H}_y(y) = 1$  by  $\lim^p \leq \lim^q$ .

Let  $\phi \in \Sigma^*(X)$  be defined by  $\phi(y) = \mathcal{H}_y$ , for all  $y \in X$ . Then  $\lim^q \phi(y)(y) = 1$  for each  $y \in X$ . For each  $\lambda \in \mathcal{T}$ , we check below  $[\bar{\lambda}_p, \hat{\phi}(\lambda)] = 1$ . Here,  $\mathcal{T}$  is the stratified  $L$ -topology corresponding to  $\lim^q$ . For each  $\phi(y) \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(X)$ , it follows by Lemma 1 that  $\phi(y)_{\mathbb{F}_{\phi(y)}} = \phi(y)$ ; that is,

$$\hat{\phi}(\lambda)(y) = \phi(y)(\lambda) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \lambda \in \mathbb{F}_{\phi(y)}; \\ 0, & \text{if } \lambda \notin \mathbb{F}_{\phi(y)}. \end{cases} \tag{25}$$

Note that  $[\bar{\lambda}_p, \hat{\phi}(\lambda)] = \bigwedge_{y \in \iota(\bar{\lambda}_p)} (\bar{\lambda}_p(y) \rightarrow \phi(y)(\lambda))$ . For each  $y \in \iota(\bar{\lambda}_p)$ , it follows that  $\bar{\lambda}_p(y) = \bigvee_{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)} (\lim^p \mathcal{F}(x) \wedge \mathcal{F}(\lambda)) > 0$ , which means that there exists an  $\mathcal{F}_y \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  such that  $\lim^p \mathcal{F}_y(y) > 0$  and  $\mathcal{F}_y(\lambda) > 0$ . Thus,  $\mathcal{F}_y(1_{\lambda}) \geq \mathcal{F}_y(\lambda) > 0$ . Fix  $y \in \iota(\bar{\lambda}_p)$ ; we have  $y \in \iota\lambda$  or  $y \in X - \iota\lambda$ .

*Case 1.*  $y \in \iota\lambda$ ; that is,  $\lambda(y) > 0$ . Because  $(X, \lim^q)$  is topological, then  $\lambda(y) = \mathcal{U}_q(y)(\lambda) > 0$ . From  $\lim^q \phi(y)(y) = 1$ ,



we get  $\phi(y) \geq \mathcal{U}_q(y)$  and then  $\phi(y)(\lambda) > 0$ ; indeed,  $\phi(y)(\lambda) = 1$  since  $\phi(y) \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(X)$  takes values in  $\{0, 1\}$ .

Case 2.  $y \in X - i\lambda$ ; that is,  $\lambda(y) = 0$ . We assume that  $\phi(y)(\lambda) \neq 1$ ; it follows by equality (25) that  $i\lambda \notin \mathbb{F}_{\phi(y)}$ . Because  $\mathbb{F}_{\phi(y)}$  is an ultrafilter on  $X$ , then  $X - i(\lambda) \in \mathbb{F}_{\phi(y)}$  and so  $\phi(y)(1_{X-i\lambda}) = 1$ . As we have known  $\lim^p \mathcal{F}_y(y) > 0$  and  $(X, \lim^p)$  is ultrapretopological; hence,  $\lim^p \mathcal{F}_y(y) = [\mathcal{U}_p(y), \mathcal{F}_y] > 0$ , then by  $\mathcal{U}_p(y)(1_{X-i\lambda}) = \phi(y)(1_{X-i\lambda}) \wedge [y](1_{X-i\lambda}) = 1$  it follows that  $\mathcal{F}_y(1_{X-i\lambda}) > 0$ . Now,

$$0 = \mathcal{F}_y(1_{i\lambda} \wedge 1_{X-i\lambda}) \geq \mathcal{F}_y(1_{i\lambda}) \wedge \mathcal{F}_y(1_{X-i\lambda}) > 0. \quad (26)$$

A contradiction! Thus, if  $y \in X - i\lambda$ , then  $\phi(y)(\lambda) = 1$ .

Combining Cases 1 and 2 we get that if  $y \in i(\bar{\lambda}_p)$  then  $\widehat{\phi}(\lambda)(y) = 1$ . It follows immediately that  $[\bar{\lambda}_p, \widehat{\phi}(\lambda)] = 1$ .

Next we prove that  $k_L \phi(\overline{\mathcal{U}_q(x)}_p) \geq \mathcal{U}_q(x)$ . By Lemma 30, we need only to check that  $k_L \phi(\overline{\mathcal{U}_q(x)}_p)(\lambda) \geq \mathcal{U}_q(x)(\lambda)$  for all  $\lambda \in \mathcal{F}$ . Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned} k_L \phi(\overline{\mathcal{U}_q(x)}_p)(\lambda) &= \overline{\mathcal{U}_q(x)}_p(\widehat{\phi}(\lambda)) \\ &= \bigvee_{\mu \in L^X} (\mathcal{U}_q(x)(\mu) \wedge [\bar{\mu}_p, \widehat{\phi}(\lambda)]) \\ &\geq \mathcal{U}_q(x)(\lambda) \wedge [\bar{\lambda}_p, \widehat{\phi}(\lambda)] \\ &= \mathcal{U}_q(x)(\lambda). \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

Then, for each  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim^q \mathcal{F}(x) &= [\mathcal{U}_q(x), \mathcal{F}] \leq [\overline{\mathcal{U}_q(x)}_p, \overline{\mathcal{F}}_p] \\ &\leq [k_L \phi(\overline{\mathcal{U}_q(x)}_p), k_L \phi(\overline{\mathcal{F}}_p)] \\ &\leq [\mathcal{U}_q(x), k_L \phi(\overline{\mathcal{F}}_p)] \\ &= \lim^q k_L \phi(\overline{\mathcal{F}}_p)(x) \\ &\leq \lim^q \overline{\mathcal{F}}_p(x), \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

where the first and the second equalities hold by the pretopologicalness of  $(X, \lim^q)$ , the first inequality holds by Lemma 24, the second inequality holds by Lemma 5(4), and the last inequality holds because  $(X, \lim^q)$  is  $k'^*$ -regular. Then it follows that  $(X, \lim^q)$  is  $p$ -regular.  $\square$

*Remark 32.* To prove that Theorem 31 holds for  $k'$ -regularity, it seems that  $L$  must be a complete Boolean algebra. If we further assume that  $L$  is linearly ordered or  $0 \in L$  is prime then  $L = \{0, 1\}$ . Thus, we guess that Theorem 31 holds for  $k'$ -regularity only if  $L = \{0, 1\}$ .

#### 4.2. For Levelwise Stratified $L$ -Convergence Spaces

*Definition 33* (see [31]). Let  $(X, \bar{p})$  be a levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence space. For each  $\lambda \in L^X$ , the  $L$ -set  $\bar{\lambda}_p^\alpha \in L^X$  defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \forall x \in X, \quad \bar{\lambda}_p^\alpha(x) &= \bigvee_{\mathcal{F} \in c_p^\alpha(x)} \mathcal{F}(\lambda), \\ c_p^\alpha(x) &= \left\{ \mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X) : \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{p_\alpha} x \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

is called  $\alpha$ -level closure of  $\lambda$  w.r.t.  $(X, \bar{p})$ .

It is easily seen that  $\alpha$ -level closures of  $L$ -sets have similar properties to closures of  $L$ -sets. We do not list them but use them directly.

In [20], Boustique and Richardson modified Jäger's definition [11] and introduced a notion of  $\alpha$ -level closures of stratified  $L$ -filters. In [25], we give an equivalent characterization of Boustique and Richardson's definition. This characterization seems more simple and more intuitive. Thus, we use it as the definition of  $\alpha$ -level closures of stratified  $L$ -filters.

*Definition 34.* Let  $(X, \bar{p})$  be a levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence space. For each  $\alpha \in L$  and each  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ , it is easily seen that the function  $\overline{\mathcal{F}}_p^\alpha : L^X \rightarrow L$ , defined by  $\forall \lambda \in L^X, \overline{\mathcal{F}}_p^\alpha(\lambda) = \bigvee_{\mu \in L^X} (\mathcal{F}(\mu) \wedge [\bar{\mu}_p^\alpha, \lambda])$ , is a stratified  $L$ -filter; then  $\overline{\mathcal{F}}_p^\alpha$  is called the  $\alpha$ -level closure of  $\mathcal{F}$  w.r.t.  $(X, \bar{p})$ .

*Definition 35* (see [24]). Let  $(X, \bar{p}, \bar{q})$  be a pair of levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces. Then  $(X, \bar{q})$  is called  $p$ -regular if, for each  $\alpha \in L$  and each  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$ , we have  $\overline{\mathcal{F}}_p^\alpha \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x$  whenever  $\mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x$ .

It is proved in [25] that  $p$ -regularity is preserved under initial constructions. Now, we look at the relationships between weaker regularities and  $p$ -regularity.

*Definition 36.* A levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence space  $(X, \bar{q})$  is called

- (i) an  $L$ -Kent convergence space if  $[x] \wedge \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x$  whenever  $\mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x$ ;
- (ii) pretopological [23] if  $\mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x$  if and only if  $\mathcal{F} \geq \mathcal{U}_q^\alpha(x) = \bigwedge \{ \mathcal{F} \mid \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{q_\alpha} x \}$ ;
- (iii) ultrapretopological if, for each  $x \in X$  and each  $\alpha \in L$ , there exists a stratified  $L$ -ultrafilter  $\mathcal{F}_x$  such that  $\mathcal{U}_q^\alpha(x) = [x] \wedge \mathcal{F}_x$ ;
- (iv) topological [23] if there exists a stratified  $L$ -topology  $\mathcal{T}_\alpha$  for each  $\alpha \in L$  such that  $\forall \lambda \in L^X, \forall x \in X$ , we have  $\mathcal{U}_q^\alpha(x)(\lambda) = \text{int}^\alpha(\lambda)(x)$ , where  $\text{int}^\alpha(\lambda)$  is the interior of  $\lambda$  w.r.t.  $\mathcal{T}_\alpha$ .

**Proposition 37.** Let  $(X, \bar{q})$  be a levelwise stratified  $L$ -Kent convergence space which is  $p$ -regular relative to every ultrapre-topological levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence structure  $\bar{p} \geq \bar{q}$ . Here for  $\bar{p} \geq \bar{q}$ , we mean that  $\mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{P_\alpha} x$  implies  $\mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{Q_\alpha} x$ . Then  $(X, \bar{q})$  is  $k^*$ -regular.

*Proof.* Let  $\phi \in \Sigma^*(X)$  and  $\alpha \in L$  with  $\forall y \in X, \phi(y) \xrightarrow{Q_\alpha} y$ . Let  $\bar{p}$  be the ultrapre-topological levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence structure defined by  $\forall \alpha \in L, \forall y \in X, \mathcal{U}_p^\alpha(y) = \phi(y) \wedge [y]$ . From  $\phi(y) \geq \mathcal{U}_p^\alpha(y)$  we have  $\phi(y) \xrightarrow{P_\alpha} y$ . For each  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  such that  $\mathcal{F}^\phi \in \mathcal{F}_L^s(X)$  and  $\mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{Q_\alpha} x$ , it follows that for each  $\lambda \in L^X, \bar{\lambda}_p^\alpha(y) = \bigvee_{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C}_p^\alpha(y)} \mathcal{F}(\lambda) \geq \phi(y)(\lambda)$ , which means  $\bar{\lambda}_p^\alpha \geq \hat{\phi}(\lambda)$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathcal{F}}_p^\alpha(\lambda) &= \bigvee_{\mu \in L^X} (\mathcal{F}(\mu) \wedge [\bar{\mu}_p^\alpha, \lambda]) \\ &\leq \bigvee_{\mu \in L^X} (\mathcal{F}(\mu) \wedge [\hat{\phi}(\mu), \lambda]) = \mathcal{F}^\phi(\lambda); \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

that is,  $\bar{\mathcal{F}}_p^\alpha \leq \mathcal{F}^\phi$ . Because  $(X, \bar{q})$  is an  $L$ -Kent convergence space, then it follows by  $\phi(y) \xrightarrow{Q_\alpha} y$  that  $\mathcal{U}_p^\alpha(y) = \phi(y) \wedge [y] \xrightarrow{Q_\alpha} y$ . Thus,  $\bar{p} \geq \bar{q}$ ; then  $(X, \bar{q})$  is  $p$ -regular by the assumption. It follows that  $\bar{\mathcal{F}}_p^\alpha \xrightarrow{Q_\alpha} x$  and then  $\mathcal{F}^\phi \xrightarrow{Q_\alpha} x$  by  $\bar{\mathcal{F}}_p^\alpha \leq \mathcal{F}^\phi$ . By Theorem 17 we know that  $(X, \bar{q})$  is  $k^*$ -regular.  $\square$

It is easily seen that when  $L$  is a complete Boolean algebra, then the above proposition holds for  $k$ -regularity.

**Lemma 38.** Let  $(X, \bar{q})$  be a topological levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence space and let  $\mathcal{T}_\alpha$  ( $\alpha \in L$ ) be the stratified  $L$ -topologies corresponding to  $\bar{q}$ . Then  $\mathcal{F} \geq \mathcal{U}_q^\alpha(x)$  if and only if  $\mathcal{F}(\mu) \geq \mathcal{U}_q^\alpha(x)(\mu)$  for all  $\mu \in \mathcal{T}_\alpha$ .

*Proof.* The proof is similar to Lemma 30 and thus it is omitted.  $\square$

**Theorem 39.** Let  $L$  be a linearly order frame or let  $0 \in L$  be prime. A topological levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence space  $(X, \bar{q})$  is  $k^*$ -regular if and only if it is  $p$ -regular for every ultrapre-topological levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence structure  $\bar{p} \geq \bar{q}$ .

*Proof.* The sufficiency follows by Proposition 37. We prove only the necessity. Let  $(X, \bar{q})$  be  $k^*$ -regular and let  $\bar{p}$  be an arbitrary ultrapre-topological levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence structure with  $\bar{p} \geq \bar{q}$ . Fix  $\alpha \in L$ ; then, for each  $y \in X$ , there exists a  $\mathcal{H}_y \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(X)$  such that  $\mathcal{U}_p^\alpha(y) = \mathcal{H}_y \wedge [y]$ . Obviously,  $\mathcal{H}_y \xrightarrow{P_\alpha} y$  and then  $\mathcal{H}_y \xrightarrow{Q_\alpha} y$  by  $\bar{p} \geq \bar{q}$ .

Let  $\phi \in \Sigma^*(X)$  be defined by  $\phi(y) = \mathcal{H}_y$ , for all  $y \in X$ . For each  $\lambda \in \mathcal{T}_\alpha$ , we check below  $[\bar{\lambda}_p^\alpha, \hat{\phi}(\lambda)] = 1$ . Here,  $\mathcal{T}_\alpha$  ( $\alpha \in L$ ) are the stratified  $L$ -topologies corresponding to  $\bar{q}$ .

Note that  $[\bar{\lambda}_p^\alpha, \hat{\phi}(\lambda)] = \bigwedge_{y \in \iota(\bar{\lambda}_p^\alpha)} (\bar{\lambda}_p^\alpha(y) \rightarrow \phi(y)(\lambda))$ . For each  $y \in \iota(\bar{\lambda}_p^\alpha)$ , it follows that  $\bar{\lambda}_p^\alpha(y) = \bigvee_{\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{C}_p^\alpha(y)} \mathcal{F}(\lambda) > 0$ , which means that there exists an  $\mathcal{F}_y \xrightarrow{P_\alpha} y$  such that  $\mathcal{F}_y(\lambda) > 0$ . Thus,  $\mathcal{F}_y(1_{i\lambda}) \geq \mathcal{F}_y(\lambda) > 0$ . Fix  $y \in \iota(\bar{\lambda}_p^\alpha)$ ; then  $y \in i\lambda$  or  $y \in X - i\lambda$ .

*Case 1.*  $y \in i\lambda$ ; that is,  $\lambda(y) > 0$ . Because  $(X, \bar{q})$  is topological, thus  $\lambda(y) = \mathcal{U}_q^\alpha(y)(\lambda) = \bigwedge \{\mathcal{F}(\lambda) \mid \mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{Q_\alpha} y\} > 0$ . From  $\phi(y) \xrightarrow{Q_\alpha} y$ , we get  $\phi(y)(\lambda) > 0$ ; indeed,  $\phi(y)(\lambda) = 1$  since  $\phi(y) \in \mathcal{U}_L^s(X)$  takes values in  $\{0, 1\}$ .

*Case 2.*  $y \in X - i\lambda$ ; that is,  $\lambda(y) = 0$ . We assume that  $\phi(y)(\lambda) \neq 1$ ; it follows by equality (25) that  $i\lambda \notin \mathbb{F}_{\phi(y)}$ . Because  $\mathbb{F}_{\phi(y)}$  is an ultrafilter on  $X$ , then  $X - i\lambda \in \mathbb{F}_{\phi(y)}$  and so  $\phi(y)(1_{X-i\lambda}) = 1$ . As we have known  $\mathcal{F}_y \xrightarrow{P_\alpha} y$ ; hence,  $\mathcal{F}_y \geq \mathcal{U}_p^\alpha(y) = \phi(y) \wedge [y]$ ; then  $\mathcal{F}_y(1_{X-i\lambda}) \geq \phi(y)(1_{X-i\lambda}) \wedge 1_{X-i\lambda}(y) = 1$ . Now,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \mathcal{F}_y(1_{i\lambda} \wedge 1_{X-i\lambda}) \\ &\geq \mathcal{F}_y(1_{i\lambda}) \wedge \mathcal{F}_y(1_{X-i\lambda}) = \mathcal{F}_y(1_{i\lambda}) > 0. \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

A contradiction! Thus, if  $y \in X - i\lambda$ , then  $\phi(y)(\lambda) = 1$ .

Combining of Cases 1 and 2 we get that if  $y \in \iota(\bar{\lambda}_p^\alpha)$  then  $\hat{\phi}(\lambda)(y) = 1$ . It follows immediately that  $[\bar{\lambda}_p^\alpha, \hat{\phi}(\lambda)] = 1$ . Then similar to Lemma 30 we have  $k_L \phi(\bar{\mathcal{U}}_q^\alpha(x)) \geq \mathcal{U}_q^\alpha(x)$ . Let  $\mathcal{F} \xrightarrow{Q_\alpha} x$ ; then  $\mathcal{F} \geq \mathcal{U}_q^\alpha(x)$  by the topologicalness of  $\bar{q}$ . Hence,  $\bar{\mathcal{F}}_p^\alpha \geq \mathcal{U}_q^\alpha(x)$  and then  $k_L \phi(\bar{\mathcal{F}}_p^\alpha) \geq k_L \phi(\mathcal{U}_q^\alpha(x)) \geq \mathcal{U}_q^\alpha(x)$ , which means  $k_L \phi(\bar{\mathcal{F}}_p^\alpha) \xrightarrow{Q_\alpha} x$ . Because  $(X, \bar{q})$  is  $k^*$ -regular, then  $\bar{\mathcal{F}}_p^\alpha \xrightarrow{Q_\alpha} x$ . It follows that  $(X, \bar{q})$  is  $p$ -regular.  $\square$

*Remark 40.* Similar to Remark 32, we guess that Theorem 39 holds for  $k$ -regularity only if  $L = \{0, 1\}$ .

## 5. Conclusions

In this paper, we introduce some weaker regularities for levelwise stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces and generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces and study their characterizations and properties. For generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces, we also investigate a notion of closures of stratified  $L$ -filters and then define by it a new  $p$ -regularity which is different from the  $p$ -regularity in [25] defined by the notion of  $\alpha$ -level closures of stratified  $L$ -filters. At last, we discuss the relationships between weaker regularities and  $p$ -regularities. In addition, it seems that the  $p$ -regularity (for generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces in [25]) has close relationships with  $k$ -regularity and  $k^*$ -regularity. But we fail to establish those relationships for it is difficult to find an appropriate definition for ultrapre-topological generalized stratified  $L$ -convergence spaces.

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