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## Sobriety and congruence biframes

It is well known that the lattice of congruences on a frame is itself a frame. Furthermore, such a congruence frame naturally has the structure of a *strictly zero-dimensional biframe* [1]. The Skula topology on a  $T_0$  space provides another class of strictly zero-dimensional biframes, allowing for the pointfree representation of even non-sober  $T_0$  spaces. In this way, strictly zero-dimensional biframes provide a setting where we may meaningfully discuss sobrification in pointfree topology.

We will see that congruence biframes play a role analogous to sober spaces in this setting. We will describe a few results about congruence biframes that mirror classical results about sober spaces and sobrification. These include the characterisation of congruence biframes by the existence of smallest dense sublocales [2] and a characterisation in terms of bicompleteness with respect to a quasi-uniformity as in [3].

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