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PSEUDO-BCH SEMILATTICES

Abstract

In this paper we study pseudo-BCH algebras which are semilattices or lattices with respect to the natural relation \leq ; we call them pseudo-BCH join-semilattices, pseudo-BCH meet-semilattices and pseudo-BCH lattices, respectively. We prove that the class of all pseudo-BCH join-semilattices is a variety and show that it is weakly regular, arithmetical at 1, and congruence distributive. In addition, we obtain the systems of identities defining pseudo-BCH meet-semilattices and pseudo-BCH lattices.

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1. Introduction

In 1966, Imai and Iséki ([8, 11]) introduced BCK and BCI algebras as algebras connected to certain kinds of logics. In 1983, Hu and Li ([7]) defined BCH algebras. It is known that BCK and BCI algebras are contained in the class of BCH algebras. In [9, 10], Iorgulescu introduced many interesting generalizations of BCI or of BCK algebras.

In 2001, Georgescu and Iorgulescu ([6]) defined pseudo-BCK algebras as an extension of BCK algebras. In 2008, Dudek and Jun ([2]) introduced pseudo-BCI algebras as a natural generalization of BCI algebras and of pseudo-BCK algebras. These algebras have also connections with other algebras of logic such as pseudo-MV algebras and pseudo-BL algebras defined by Georgescu and Iorgulescu in [4] and [5], respectively. Recently, Walendziak ([14]) introduced pseudo-BCH algebras as an extension of BCH algebras.

In [13], Kühr investigated pseudo-BCK algebras whose underlying posets are semilattices. In this paper we study pseudo-BCH join-semilattices, that is. pseudo-BCH algebras which are join-semilattices with respect to the natural relation \leq . We prove that the class of all pseudo-BCH join-semilattices is a variety and show that it is weakly regular, arithmetical at 1, and congruence distributive. In addition, we obtain the systems of identities defining pseudo-BCH meet-semilattices and pseudo-BCH lattices.

2. Preliminaries

We recall that an algebra $(X; \rightarrow, 1)$ of type $(2, 0)$ is called a *BCH algebra* if it satisfies the following axioms:

- (BCH-1) $x \rightarrow x = 1$;
- (BCH-2) $x \rightarrow (y \rightarrow z) = y \rightarrow (x \rightarrow z)$;
- (BCH-3) $x \rightarrow y = y \rightarrow x = 1 \implies x = y$.

A *BCI algebra* is a BCH algebra $(X; \rightarrow, 1)$ satisfying the identity

$$(BCI) \quad (y \rightarrow z) \rightarrow ((z \rightarrow x) \rightarrow (y \rightarrow x)) = 1.$$

A *BCK algebra* is a BCI algebra $(X; \rightarrow, 1)$ such that $x \rightarrow 1 = 1$ for all $x \in X$.

A *pseudo-BCI algebra* ([2]) is a structure $(X; \leq, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$, where \leq is a binary relation on the set X , \rightarrow and \rightsquigarrow are binary operations on X and 1 is an element of X , verifying the axioms:

- (pBCI-1) $y \rightarrow z \leq (z \rightarrow x) \rightsquigarrow (y \rightarrow x)$, $y \rightsquigarrow z \leq (z \rightsquigarrow x) \rightarrow (y \rightsquigarrow x)$;
- (pBCI-2) $x \leq (x \rightsquigarrow y) \rightarrow y$, $x \leq (x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y$;
- (pBCI-3) $x \leq x$;
- (pBCI-4) $x \leq y$, $y \leq x \implies x = y$;
- (pBCI-5) $x \leq y \iff x \rightarrow y = 1 \iff x \rightsquigarrow y = 1$.

A pseudo-BCI-algebra $(X; \leq, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ is called a *pseudo-BCK algebra* if it satisfies the identities

$$(pBCK) \quad x \rightarrow 1 = x \rightsquigarrow 1 = 1.$$

DEFINITION 2.1. ([14]) *A (dual) pseudo-BCH algebra is an algebra $\mathfrak{X} = (X; \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ of type $(2, 2, 0)$ satisfying the axioms:*

- (pBCH-1) $x \rightarrow x = x \rightsquigarrow x = 1$;
- (pBCH-2) $x \rightarrow (y \rightsquigarrow z) = y \rightsquigarrow (x \rightarrow z)$;

- (pBCH-3) $x \rightarrow y = y \rightsquigarrow x = 1 \implies x = y;$
- (pBCH-4) $x \rightarrow y = 1 \iff x \rightsquigarrow y = 1.$

REMARK 2.2. Observe that if $(X; \rightarrow, 1)$ is a BCH algebra, then letting $x \rightarrow y := x \rightsquigarrow y$, produces a pseudo-BCH algebra $(X; \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$. Therefore, every BCH algebra is a pseudo-BCH algebra in a natural way. It is easy to see that if $(X; \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ is a pseudo-BCH algebra, then $(X; \rightsquigarrow, \rightarrow, 1)$ is also a pseudo-BCH algebra. From Proposition 3.2 of [2] we conclude that if $(X; \leq, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ is a pseudo-BCI algebra, then $(X; \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ is a pseudo-BCH algebra.

In any pseudo-BCH algebra we can define a natural relation \leq by putting

$$x \leq y \iff x \rightarrow y = 1 \iff x \rightsquigarrow y = 1.$$

It is easy to see that \leq is reflexive and anti-symmetric but it is not transitive in general (see Example 2.3 below). We note that in pseudo-BCK/BCI algebras the relation \leq is a partial order.

EXAMPLE 2.3. Let $X = \{a, b, c, d, e, f, 1\}$. We define the binary operations \rightarrow and \rightsquigarrow on X as follows

\rightarrow	a	b	c	d	e	f	1		\rightsquigarrow	a	b	c	d	e	f	1
a	1	b	b	d	e	f	1		a	1	b	c	d	e	f	1
b	a	1	c	d	e	f	1		b	a	1	a	d	e	f	1
c	1	1	1	d	e	f	1	<i>and</i>	c	1	1	1	d	e	f	1
d	a	b	c	1	1	f	1		d	a	b	c	1	1	f	1
e	a	b	c	e	1	1	1		e	a	b	c	e	1	1	1
f	a	b	c	d	e	1	1		f	a	b	c	d	e	1	1
1	a	b	c	d	e	f	1		1	a	b	c	d	e	f	1

Then $\mathfrak{X} = (X; \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ is a pseudo-BCH algebra (see Example 2.6 of [15]). We have $d \leq e$ and $e \leq f$ but $d \not\leq f$, and therefore \leq is not transitive.

PROPOSITION 2.4. ([14]) Every pseudo-BCH algebra \mathfrak{X} satisfies, for all $x, y \in X$, the following conditions:

- (i) $1 \rightarrow x = 1 \rightsquigarrow x = x,$
- (ii) $x \leq (x \rightsquigarrow y) \rightarrow y,$ and $x \leq (x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y.$

PROPOSITION 2.5. ([14]) *Let \mathfrak{X} be a pseudo-BCH algebra. Then \mathfrak{X} is a pseudo-BCI algebra if and only if it verifies the following implication: for all $x, y, z \in X$,*

$$x \leq y \implies (z \rightarrow x \leq z \rightarrow y, z \rightsquigarrow x \leq z \rightsquigarrow y). \tag{2.1}$$

3. Pseudo-BCH semilattices

Generalizing the notion of a pseudo-BCK semilattice (see [13]) we define pseudo-BCH join-semilattices.

DEFINITION 3.1. *We say that an algebra $(X; \vee, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ is a pseudo-BCH join-semilattice if $(X; \vee)$ is a join-semilattice, $(X; \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ is a pseudo-BCH-algebra and $x \vee y = y \iff x \rightarrow y = 1$ for all $x, y \in X$.*

EXAMPLE 3.2. *Let $X = \{a, b, c, 1\}$. We define the binary operations \rightarrow and \rightsquigarrow on X as follows:*

\rightarrow	a	b	c	1		\rightsquigarrow	a	b	c	1
a	1	b	b	1	<i>and</i>	a	1	b	c	1
b	1	1	b	1		b	1	1	a	1
c	1	1	1	1		c	1	1	1	1
1	a	b	c	1		1	a	b	c	1

It is easy to check that $(X; \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ is a pseudo-BCH algebra. Since X is a join-semilattice with respect to \vee (under \leq), we conclude that $\mathfrak{X} = (X; \vee, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ is a pseudo-BCH join-semilattice; it is even a chain with $c < b < a < 1$.

EXAMPLE 3.3. *Let $\mathfrak{X} = (\{a, b, c, d, e, f, 1\}; \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ be the pseudo-BCH algebra from Example 2.3. Since the relation \leq is not transitive, X is not a join-semilattice with respect to \leq . Therefore it is not a pseudo-BCH join-semilattice.*

PROPOSITION 3.4. *Let $(X; \vee, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ be a pseudo-BCH join-semilattice. The following properties hold (for all $x, y, z \in X$):*

- (a1) $x \vee y = y \vee x$,
- (a2) $(x \vee y) \vee z = x \vee (y \vee z)$,
- (a3) $x \rightarrow (y \rightsquigarrow z) = y \rightsquigarrow (x \rightarrow z)$,

- (a4) $1 \rightarrow x = 1 \rightsquigarrow x = x$,
 (a5) $x \rightarrow (x \vee y) = x \rightsquigarrow (x \vee y) = 1$,
 (a6) $((x \rightsquigarrow y) \rightarrow y) \vee x = (x \rightsquigarrow y) \rightarrow y$,
 (a7) $((x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y) \vee x = (x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y$.

PROOF: (a1)–(a3) and (a5) are obvious. By Proposition 2.4 (i) we get (a4). Identities (a6) and (a7) follow from Proposition 2.4 (ii). \square

PROPOSITION 3.5. *Let $(X; \vee, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ be an algebra of type $(2, 2, 2, 0)$ satisfying (a1)–(a7). Define \leq on X by*

$$x \leq y \iff x \vee y = y.$$

Then, for all $x, y, z \in X$, we have:

- (1) $x \leq y$ and $y \leq x$ imply $x = y$,
 (2) $x \leq y$ and $y \leq z$ imply $x \leq z$,
 (3) $x \leq y \iff x \rightarrow y = 1$,
 (4) $x \leq y \iff x \rightsquigarrow y = 1$,
 (5) $x \vee 1 = 1 \vee x = 1$ (that is, $x \leq 1$),
 (6) $x \rightarrow 1 = x \rightsquigarrow 1 = 1$,
 (7) $x \rightarrow x = x \rightsquigarrow x = 1$ (that is, $x \leq x$).

PROOF: Statements (1) and (2) follow from (a1) and (a2), respectively.

To prove (3), let $x, y \in X$ and $x \vee y = y$. Applying (a5), we get $x \rightarrow y = 1$.

Conversely, suppose that $x \rightarrow y = 1$. Hence $(x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y = 1 \rightsquigarrow y = y$ by (a4). From (a7) we see that $x \vee y = y$, that is, $x \leq y$.

(4) The proof of (4) is similar to that of (3).

(5) Applying (a5) and (a4), we obtain $1 = 1 \rightarrow (1 \vee x) = 1 \vee x$. This clearly forces (5).

(6) By (5), $x \leq 1$. Using (3) and (4), we get (6).

(7) We have

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= ((1 \rightsquigarrow x) \rightarrow x) \vee 1 && \text{[by (5)]} \\ &= (1 \rightsquigarrow x) \rightarrow x && \text{[by (a6)]} \\ &= x \rightarrow x. && \text{[by (a4)]} \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, $x \rightsquigarrow x = 1$. \square

Combining Propositions 3.4 and 3.5 we get

THEOREM 3.6. *An algebra $(X; \vee, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ of type $(2, 2, 2, 0)$ is a pseudo-BCH join-semilattice if and only if it satisfies the identities (a1)–(a7).*

From Proposition 3.5 (6) we have

COROLLARY 3.7. *Every pseudo-BCH join-semilattice verifies (pBCK).*

Let us denote by \mathcal{J} the class of all pseudo-BCH join-semilattices.

REMARK 3.8. *The class \mathcal{J} is a variety. Therefore \mathcal{J} is closed under the formation of homomorphic images, subalgebras, and direct products.*

The disjoint union of BCK algebras was introduced by Iséki and Tanaka in [12] and next generalized to BCH algebras ([3]) and pseudo-BCH algebras ([15]). Below we extend this concept to the case of pseudo-BCH join-semilattices.

Let T be any set and, for each $t \in T$, let $\mathfrak{X}_t = (X_t; \vee_t, \rightarrow_t, \rightsquigarrow_t, 1)$ be a pseudo-BCH join-semilattice. Suppose that $X_s \cap X_t = \{1\}$ for $s, t \in T$, $s \neq t$. Set $X = \bigcup_{t \in T} X_t$ and define the binary operations \vee, \rightarrow and \rightsquigarrow on X via

$$x \vee y = \begin{cases} x \vee_t y & \text{if } x, y \in X_t, t \in T, \\ 0 & \text{if } x \in X_s, y \in X_t, s, t \in T, s \neq t. \end{cases}$$

$$x \rightarrow y = \begin{cases} x \rightarrow_t y & \text{if } x, y \in X_t, t \in T, \\ x & \text{if } x \in X_s, y \in X_t, s, t \in T, s \neq t. \end{cases}$$

and

$$x \rightsquigarrow y = \begin{cases} x \rightsquigarrow_t y & \text{if } x, y \in X_t, t \in T, \\ x & \text{if } x \in X_s, y \in X_t, s, t \in T, s \neq t. \end{cases}$$

It is easily seen that $\mathfrak{X} = (X; \vee, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ is a pseudo-BCH join-semilattice; it will be called the *disjoint union* of $(\mathfrak{X}_t)_{t \in T}$.

EXAMPLE 3.9. *Let $\mathfrak{X}_1 = \mathfrak{X}$, where $\mathfrak{X} = (\{a, b, c, 1\}; \vee, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ is the pseudo-BCH join-semilattice from Example 3.2. Consider the set $X_2 = \{d, e, f, 1\}$ with the operations \rightarrow_2 and \vee_2 defined by the following tables:*

\rightarrow_2	d	e	f	1		\vee_2	d	e	f	1
d	1	e	d	1		d	d	1	d	1
e	d	1	f	1	<i>and</i>	e	1	e	e	1
f	1	1	1	1		f	d	e	f	1
1	d	e	f	1		1	1	1	1	1

Let $\rightsquigarrow_2 := \rightarrow_2$. Routine calculations show that $\mathfrak{X}_2 = (X_2; \vee_2, \rightarrow_2, \rightsquigarrow_2, 1)$ is a (pseudo)-BCH join-semilattice. Let $X' = \{a, b, c, d, e, f, 1\}$. We define the binary operations \rightarrow' and \rightsquigarrow' on X' as follows

\rightarrow'	a	b	c	d	e	f	1	and	\rightsquigarrow'	a	b	c	d	e	f	1
a	1	b	b	d	e	f	1		a	1	b	c	d	e	f	1
b	1	1	b	d	e	f	1		b	1	1	a	d	e	f	1
c	1	1	1	d	e	f	1		c	1	1	1	d	e	f	1
d	a	b	c	1	e	d	1		d	a	b	c	1	e	d	1
e	a	b	c	d	1	f	1		e	a	b	c	d	1	f	1
f	a	b	c	1	1	1	1		f	a	b	c	1	1	1	1
1	a	b	c	d	e	f	1		1	a	b	c	d	e	f	1

It is clear that $\mathfrak{X}' = (X'; \vee', \rightarrow', \rightsquigarrow', 1)$, where the operation \vee' is illustrated in Figure 1, is the disjoint union of \mathfrak{X}_1 and \mathfrak{X}_2 .

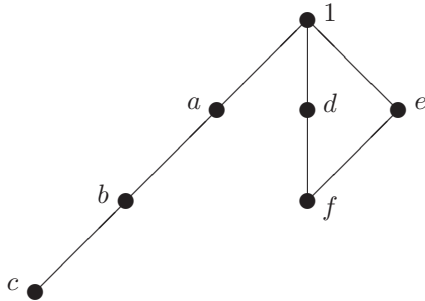


Figure 1

PROPOSITION 3.10. Let $\mathfrak{X} = (X; \vee, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ be a pseudo-BCH join-semilattice. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) \mathfrak{X} is a pseudo-BCK join-semilattice.
- (ii) \mathfrak{X} satisfies (2.1) for all $x, y, z \in X$.

PROOF: Follows immediately from Proposition 2.5 and Corollary 3.7. □

PROPOSITION 3.11. Let $\mathfrak{X} = (X; \vee, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ be a pseudo-BCH join-semilattice satisfying the following implication: for all $x, y, z \in X$,

$$x \leq y \implies (y \rightarrow x) \rightsquigarrow x = (y \rightsquigarrow x) \rightarrow x = y. \tag{3.1}$$

Then \mathfrak{X} is a pseudo-BCK join-semilattice.

PROOF: Let $x, y, z \in X$ and $x \leq y$. By (pBCH-2), (pBCH-1) and (pBCK),

$$\begin{aligned}
 (z \rightarrow x) \rightarrow (z \rightarrow y) &= (z \rightarrow x) \rightarrow (z \rightarrow ((y \rightarrow x) \rightsquigarrow x)) \\
 &= (y \rightarrow x) \rightsquigarrow ((z \rightarrow x) \rightarrow (z \rightarrow x)) \\
 &= (y \rightarrow x) \rightsquigarrow 1 \\
 &= 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

Then $z \rightarrow x \leq z \rightarrow y$. Similarly, $z \rightsquigarrow x \leq z \rightsquigarrow y$. From Proposition 3.10 we see that \mathfrak{X} is a pseudo-BCK join-semilattice. \square

REMARK 3.12. *The converse of Proposition 3.11 is false. Indeed, let \mathfrak{X} be the pseudo-BCH join-semilattice from Example 3.2. It is easy to check that \mathfrak{X} satisfies implication (2.1), and therefore it is a pseudo-BCK join-semilattice. However, (3.1) does not hold in \mathfrak{X} , because we have $c < a$ and $(a \rightsquigarrow c) \rightarrow c = 1$.*

DEFINITION 3.13. *An algebra $(X; \wedge, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ is called a pseudo-BCH meet-semilattice if $(X; \wedge)$ is a meet-semilattice, $(X; \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ is a pseudo-BCH algebra, and $x \wedge y = x \iff x \rightarrow y = 1$ for all $x, y \in X$.*

Denote by \mathcal{M} the class of all pseudo-BCH meet-semilattices.

PROPOSITION 3.14. *An algebra $\mathfrak{X} = (X; \wedge, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ of type $(2, 2, 2, 0)$ is a pseudo-BCH meet-semilattice if and only if it satisfies the following identities:*

- (b1) $x \wedge x = x$,
- (b2) $x \wedge y = y \wedge x$,
- (b3) $x \wedge (y \wedge z) = (x \wedge y) \wedge z$,
- (b4) $x \rightarrow (y \rightsquigarrow z) = y \rightsquigarrow (x \rightarrow z)$,
- (b5) $1 \rightarrow x = 1 \rightsquigarrow x = x$,
- (b6) $(x \wedge y) \rightarrow y = 1 = (x \wedge y) \rightsquigarrow y$,
- (b7) $x \wedge ((x \rightsquigarrow y) \rightarrow y) = x = x \wedge ((x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y)$.

PROOF: Obviously, every pseudo-BCH meet-semilattice satisfies the axioms (b1)–(b7).

Conversely, let (b1)–(b7) hold in \mathfrak{X} . Clearly, $(X; \wedge)$ is a meet-semilattice. Define \leq on X by

$$x \leq y \iff x = x \wedge y.$$

Observe that

$$x \leq y \iff x \rightarrow y = 1 \iff x \rightsquigarrow y = 1 \tag{3.2}$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Let $x \leq y$, that is, $x \wedge y = x$. By (b6), $x \rightarrow y = 1$ and $x \rightsquigarrow y = 1$. Suppose now that $x \rightarrow y = 1$. Applying (b7) and (b5), we get

$$x = x \wedge ((x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y) = x \wedge (1 \rightsquigarrow y) = x \wedge y.$$

Hence $x \leq y$. Similarly, if $x \rightsquigarrow y = 1$, then $x \leq y$. Thus (3.2) holds. Therefore, we deduce that $(X; \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ is a pseudo-BCH algebra, and finally that $(X; \wedge, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ is a pseudo-BCH meet-semilattice. \square

COROLLARY 3.15. *The class \mathcal{M} is a variety.*

DEFINITION 3.16. *An algebra $(X; \vee, \wedge, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ is called a pseudo-BCH lattice if $(X; \vee, \wedge)$ is a lattice, $(X; \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ is a pseudo-BCH algebra, and $x \rightarrow y = 1 \iff x \vee y = y \iff x \wedge y = x$ for all $x, y \in X$.*

Denote by \mathcal{L} the class of all pseudo-BCH lattices.

EXAMPLE 3.17. *Let $X = \{a, b, c, d, 1\}$. Define binary operations \rightarrow and \rightsquigarrow on X by the following tables:*

\rightarrow	a	b	c	d	1
a	1	b	b	b	1
b	a	1	a	d	1
c	1	1	1	b	1
d	1	1	1	1	1
1	a	b	c	d	1

\rightsquigarrow	a	b	c	d	1
a	1	b	b	d	1
b	a	1	a	a	1
c	1	1	1	a	1
d	1	1	1	1	1
1	a	b	c	d	1

By routine calculation, $\mathfrak{X} = (X; \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ is a pseudo-BCH algebra. We shall represent the set X and the binary relation \leq by the following Hasse diagram:

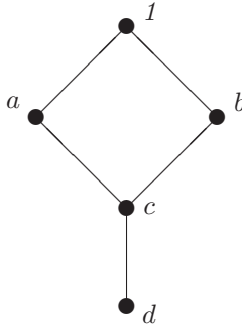


Figure 2

Therefore, $(X; \vee, \wedge, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$ is a pseudo-BCH lattice.

REMARK 3.18. The class \mathcal{L} is a variety that is axiomatized by the defining identities of lattices and by the identities (a3)–(a7) or by (b4)–(b7), respectively.

Now we recall several universal algebraic notions (see e. g. [1]). We will denote by $\text{Con}\mathfrak{A}$ the congruence lattice of an algebra \mathfrak{A} . For $\theta \in \text{Con}\mathfrak{A}$ and $x \in A$, let x/θ denote the equivalence class of x modulo θ . An algebra \mathfrak{A} with a constant 1 is called:

- *weakly regular* (at 1) if $1/\theta = 1/\phi$ implies $\theta = \phi$, for all $\theta, \phi \in \text{Con}\mathfrak{A}$;
- *permutable at 1* if $1/(\theta \circ \phi) = 1/(\phi \circ \theta)$ for all $\theta, \phi \in \text{Con}\mathfrak{A}$;
- *distributive at 1* if $1/\theta \cap (\phi \vee \psi) = 1/(\theta \cap \phi) \vee (\theta \cap \psi)$ for all $\theta, \phi, \psi \in \text{Con}\mathfrak{A}$;
- *arithmetical at 1* if it is both permutable at 1 and distributive at 1.

Let \mathcal{V} be a variety of algebras with a constant 1. We say that \mathcal{V} is *weakly regular* (resp., *permutable at 1*, *distributive at 1*, and *arithmetical at 1*) if every algebra $\mathfrak{A} \in \mathcal{V}$ is weakly regular (resp., permutable at 1, distributive at 1, and arithmetical at 1). It is known that a variety \mathcal{V} is weakly regular if and only if there exist binary terms t_1, \dots, t_n for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$t_1(x, y) = \dots = t_n(x, y) = 1 \iff x = y. \tag{3.3}$$

A variety is *arithmetical at 1* if and only if there exists a binary term t satisfying $t(x, x) = t(1, x) = 1$ and $t(x, 1) = x$. A variety \mathcal{V} is *congruence distributive* if $\text{Con}\mathfrak{A}$ is a distributive lattice for every $\mathfrak{A} \in \mathcal{V}$.

THEOREM 3.19. The variety \mathcal{J} , \mathcal{M} and \mathcal{L} are weakly regular. Moreover, \mathcal{J} and \mathcal{L} are arithmetical at 1 and congruence distributive.

PROOF: \mathcal{J} , \mathcal{M} and \mathcal{L} are weakly regular since the terms $t_1(x, y) = x \rightarrow y$ and $t_2(x, y) = y \rightsquigarrow x$ satisfy (3.3) for $n = 2$.

Let \mathfrak{X} be a pseudo-BCH join-semilattice and $t(x, y) = y \rightarrow x$. Clearly, $t(x, x) = 1$ and $t(x, 1) = x$. By Corollary 3.7, \mathfrak{X} satisfies (pBCK), and hence $t(1, x) = 1$. Then \mathfrak{X} is arithmetical at 1, and consequently distributive at 1.

Let $\theta, \phi, \psi \in \text{Con}\mathfrak{X}$. By distributivity at 1, $1/\theta \cap (\phi \vee \psi) = 1/(\theta \cap \phi) \vee (\theta \cap \psi)$. From weak regularity we obtain $\theta \cap (\phi \vee \psi) = (\theta \cap \phi) \vee (\theta \cap \psi)$. Therefore $\text{Con}\mathfrak{X}$ is a distributive lattice.

Thus pseudo-BCH join-semilattices (and hence pseudo-BCH lattices) are arithmetical at 1 and congruence distributive. \square

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