

ON A CERTAIN CONSTRUCTION OF MS-ALGEBRAS

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1 – Introduction

The first construction of MS-algebras from Kleene algebras and distributive lattices was presented by T.S. Blyth and J.C. Varlet in [3]. This was a construction by means of so-called “triples” which were successfully used in constructions of Stone algebras (see [6], [7]), distributive p -algebras (see [9]), pseudocomplemented semilattices (see [10]), etc. In [4], T.S. Blyth and J.C. Varlet improved their construction from [3] by means of “quadruples” and they showed that each MS-algebra from the subvariety \mathbf{IK}_2 (\mathbf{IK}_2 -algebra) can be constructed in this way. This was independently done by T. Katriňák and K. Mikula (in an unpublished paper), who compared then both approaches in [11].

In this paper we establish in a particular case an essential simplification of the above mentioned constructions, which is based on the observation that a \mathbf{IK}_2 -algebra L in which L^\vee is a principal filter is completely determined by the quadruple $(L^{00}, L^\vee, \varphi(L), \gamma(L))$, where φ is — in contrast to the constructions mentioned above — a certain mapping from L^{00} into L^\vee (Section 3). Many complications involved in the previous constructions can be removed in this way. We also show that there exists a one-to-one correspondence between the mentioned class of MS-algebras and the class of so-called decomposable \mathbf{IK}_2 -quadruples (Section 4). In Section 5 we establish similar results for MS-algebras from the subvariety $\mathbf{S} \vee \mathbf{IK}$. Two examples illustrate the results.

2 – Preliminaries

An *MS-algebra* is an algebra $(L; \vee, \wedge, {}^0, 0, 1)$ of type $(2, 2, 1, 0, 0)$ where $(L; \vee, \wedge, 0, 1)$ is a bounded distributive lattice and 0 is a unary operation such that for all $x, y \in L$

- (1) $x \leq x^{00}$;
- (2) $(x \wedge y)^0 = x^0 \vee y^0$;
- (3) $1^0 = 0$.

The class of all MS-algebras is equational. Algebras from the subvariety \mathbf{K}_2 (we call them briefly \mathbf{K}_2 -algebras) are described by the additional two identities:

- (4) $x \wedge x^0 = x^{00} \wedge x^0$;
- (5) $(x \wedge x^0) \vee y \vee y^0 = y \vee y^0$.

A \mathbf{K}_2 -algebra satisfying the identity

- (6) $x = x^{00}$

is called a *Kleene algebra*.

Let L be a \mathbf{K}_2 -algebra. Then

- i) $L^{00} = \{x \in L; x = x^{00}\}$ is a Kleene algebra;
- ii) $L^\vee = \{x \vee x^0; x \in L\}$ is a filter of L ;
- iii) $L^\wedge = \{x \wedge x^0; x \in L\}$ is an ideal of L .

Further, for any MS-algebra L ,

- iv) The relation Φ defined by

$$x \equiv y(\Phi) \quad \text{iff} \quad x^0 = y^0$$

is a congruence of L such that every Φ -class $[x]\Phi$ containing x contains also the element x^{00} which is the largest element of $[x]\Phi$ and $[x]\Phi \cap L^{00} = \{x^{00}\}$.

For these and other properties of MS-algebras we refer the reader to [1], [2] and [5].

3 – The quadruple construction

The quadruple constructions mentioned above provide a complete representation of any \mathbf{K}_2 -algebra L by its quadruple $(L^{00}, L^\vee, \varphi(L), \gamma(L))$ where $\varphi(L)$ is a certain mapping from L^{00} into $F(L^\vee)$, the lattice of all filters of L^\vee and $\gamma(L)$ is the restriction of the congruence Φ to the filter L^\vee . These constructions can be essentially simplified for those algebras whose filter L^\vee has a smallest element (e.g. finite MS-algebras) — we shall call them *locally bounded*.

First we shall present a simple method of how to construct some \mathbf{K}_2 -algebras.

Definition 1. An (abstract) *triple* is (K, D, φ) , where

- i) K is a Kleene algebra;
- ii) D is a bounded distributive lattice;
- iii) φ is $(0, 1)$ -lattice homomorphism from K into D .

Theorem 1. *Let (K, D, φ) be a triple. Then*

$$L = \{(x, y); x \in K, y \in D, y \leq \varphi(x)\}$$

is an MS-algebra, if we define

$$\begin{aligned} (x_1, y_1) \vee (x_2, y_2) &= (x_1 \vee x_2, y_1 \vee y_2) \\ (x_1, y_1) \wedge (x_2, y_2) &= (x_1 \wedge x_2, y_1 \wedge y_2) \\ (x, y)^0 &= (x^0, \varphi(x^0)) \\ 1_L &= (1, 1) \\ 0_L &= (0, 0) . \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, $L^{00} \cong K$.

Proof: It is easy to prove that L is a sublattice of $K \times D$. Obviously $(0, 0), (1, 1) \in L$. Thus L is a bounded distributive lattice. Clearly,

$$(x, y) \wedge (x, y)^{00} = (x \wedge x^{00}, y \wedge \varphi(x^{00})) = (x, y) ,$$

hence (1) is satisfied in L . The identities (2) and (3) can be verified in the similar way. Now

$$\begin{aligned} L^{00} &= \{(x, y)^{00}; (x, y) \in L\} = \{(x^{00}, \varphi(x^{00})); x \in K\} \\ &= \{(x, \varphi(x)); x \in K\} \quad (\text{by (6)}) \\ &\cong K \quad \text{under the isomorphism } (x, \varphi(x)) \mapsto x . \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

By a \mathbf{K}_2 -triple we shall mean a triple (K, D, φ) in which $\varphi(K^\wedge) = \{0_D\}$.

Corollary 1. *Let (K, D, φ) be a \mathbf{K}_2 -triple. Then the MS-algebra L from Theorem 1 is a \mathbf{K}_2 -algebra.*

Proof: We shall prove that the identities (4), (5) hold in L . We have

$$(4) \quad \begin{aligned} (x, y) \wedge (x, y)^0 &= (x \wedge x^0, y \wedge \varphi(x^0)) = (x^{00} \wedge x^0, 0) \\ &= (x^{00} \wedge x^0, \varphi(x^{00} \wedge x^0)) = (x, y)^{00} \wedge (x, y)^0 \end{aligned}$$

using the fact that

$$y \wedge \varphi(x^0) \leq \varphi(x \wedge x^0) = 0_D .$$

The identity (5) can be verified in the similar way using the facts that $y = y \wedge \varphi(x)$ and (5) holds in K . ■

Definition 2. An (abstract) \mathbf{IK}_2 -quadruple is (K, D, φ, γ) , where (K, D, φ) is a \mathbf{IK}_2 -triple and γ is a monomial congruence on D , i.e. every γ -class $[y]\gamma$ has a largest element — we shall denote it by $\max[y]\gamma$.

Corollary 2. Let (K, D, φ, γ) be a \mathbf{IK}_2 -quadruple. Then

$$L = \{(x, y); x \in K, y \in D, y \leq \varphi(x) \leq \max[y]\gamma\}$$

is a \mathbf{IK}_2 -algebra, if the operations are defined in the same way as in Theorem 1. Moreover, $L^{00} \cong K$.

Proof: It suffices to verify that for any $(x, y), (z, w) \in L$

$$\varphi(x \vee z) \leq \max[y \vee w]\gamma \quad \text{and} \quad \varphi(x \wedge z) \leq \max[y \wedge w]\gamma$$

hold in L , but this follows from the facts that

$$\varphi(x) \leq \max[y]\gamma \quad \text{and} \quad \varphi(z) \leq \max[w]\gamma . \blacksquare$$

We shall say that the MS-algebra L from Corollary 2 is *associated* with the \mathbf{IK}_2 -quadruple (K, D, φ, γ) and the construction of L described in Corollary 2 will be called a \mathbf{IK}_2 -construction.

Let L be a locally bounded \mathbf{IK}_2 -algebra and let b be the smallest element of L^\vee . Define a mapping $\varphi(L): L^{00} \rightarrow L^\vee$ by $\varphi(L)(x) = x \vee b$. Let $\gamma(L)$ be the restriction of the congruence Φ to L^\vee . Obviously, $\varphi(L)$ is a $(0, 1)$ -homomorphism and $\gamma(L)$ is a monomial congruence on L^\vee .

We say that $(L^{00}, L^\vee, \varphi(L), \gamma(L))$ is a quadruple *associated* with L .

Since $L^\vee = [b] = [c \vee c^0]$ for some $c \in L$ and (5) holds in L , we have $\varphi(a \wedge a^0) = (a \wedge a^0) \vee c \vee c^0 = c \vee c^0 = b$ for every $a \in L$. Hence the quadruple $(L^{00}, L^\vee, \varphi(L), \gamma(L))$ associated with L is a \mathbf{IK}_2 -quadruple.

The next theorem states that every locally bounded \mathbf{IK}_2 -algebra can be obtained by the \mathbf{IK}_2 -construction.

Theorem 2. Let L be a locally bounded \mathbf{IK}_2 -algebra. Let $(L^{00}, L^\vee, \varphi(L), \gamma(L))$ be the quadruple associated with L . Then the MS-algebra L_1 associated with $(L^{00}, L^\vee, \varphi(L), \gamma(L))$ is isomorphic to L .

Proof: Let $L = [b]$. We shall prove that the mapping $f: L \rightarrow L_1$ defined by

$$f(a) = (a^{00}, a \vee b)$$

is the desired isomorphism. Obviously $f(a) \in L_1$, since

$$a \vee b \leq a^{00} \vee b = \varphi(a^{00}) \leq a^{00} \vee b^{00} = \max[a \vee b] \gamma(L) .$$

Evidently, f is a lattice homomorphism and $f(1) = (1, 1)$, $f(0) = (0, b)$. Further, we get

$$(f(a))^0 = (a^{00}, a \vee b)^0 = (a^0, \varphi(a^0)) = (a^0, a^0 \vee b) = f(a^0) ,$$

hence f is a homomorphism of MS-algebras. Now assume $f(a_1) = f(a_2)$. Then $a_1^{00} = a_2^{00}$ and $a_1 \vee b = a_2 \vee b$. Thus $a_1^{00} \wedge (a_1 \vee b) = a_2^{00} \wedge (a_2 \vee b)$, hence $a_1 \vee (a_1^{00} \wedge b) = a_2 \vee (a_2^{00} \wedge b)$. Further, for $i \in \{1, 2\}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (a_i^{00} \wedge b) \wedge (a_i^0 \wedge b) &= a_i^{00} \wedge a_i^0 \wedge b \\ &= a_i \wedge a_i^0 \wedge b \quad (\text{by (4)}) \\ &= (a_i \wedge b) \wedge (a_i^0 \wedge b) . \\ (a_i^{00} \wedge b) \vee (a_i^0 \wedge b) &= (a_i^{00} \vee a_i^0) \wedge b = b \\ &= (a_i \vee a_i^0) \wedge b \\ &= (a_i \wedge b) \vee (a_i^0 \wedge b) . \end{aligned}$$

Since L is distributive, we obtain $a_i^{00} \wedge b = a_i \wedge b$, thus $a_i^{00} \wedge b \leq a_i$. Hence, $a_1 = a_2$ and f is injective. It remains to prove that f is an onto map. Let $(x, y) \in L_1$. Put $a = x \wedge y$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} f(a) &= \left((x \wedge y)^{00}, (x \wedge y) \vee b \right) = \left(x^{00} \wedge y^{00}, (x \vee b) \wedge (y \vee b) \right) \\ &= \left(x \wedge y^{00}, (x \vee b) \wedge y \right) = \left(x, \varphi(x) \wedge y \right) = (x, y) \end{aligned}$$

using the facts that $x = x^{00}$ as $x \in L^{00}$, $b \leq y$ as $y \in L^\vee$ and $x \leq x \vee b = \varphi(x) \leq \max[y] \gamma(L) = y^{00}$, $y \leq \varphi(x)$ follow from rules of the \mathbf{IK}_2 -construction of L_1 . The proof of Theorem 2 is complete. ■

3 – MS-algebras from \mathbf{IK}_2 and decomposable \mathbf{IK}_2 -quadruples

In the previous section we presented a simple triple construction of some \mathbf{IK}_2 -algebras, then its modification by quadruples (\mathbf{IK}_2 -construction) and we proved that every locally bounded \mathbf{IK}_2 -algebra is obtained in this way. In this

section we shall investigate a relation between the \mathbf{IK}_2 -quadruples which give rise to the same (up to isomorphism) MS-algebra by \mathbf{IK}_2 -construction.

Definition 3. An *isomorphism* of the \mathbf{IK}_2 -quadruples (K, D, φ, γ) and $(K_1, D_1, \varphi_1, \gamma_1)$ is a pair (f, g) , where f is an isomorphism of K and K_1 , g is an isomorphism of D and D_1 such that $x \equiv y(\gamma)$ iff $g(x) \equiv g(y)(\gamma_1)$ and the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} K & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & D \\ f \downarrow & & \downarrow g \\ K_1 & \xrightarrow{\varphi_1} & D_1 \end{array}$$

is commutative.

Lemma 1. *If two \mathbf{IK}_2 -algebras are isomorphic then their associated quadruples are isomorphic, too.*

The proof is straightforward.

Theorem 3. *Assume that the \mathbf{IK}_2 -quadruples (K, D, φ, γ) and $(K_1, D_1, \varphi_1, \gamma_1)$ are isomorphic under an isomorphism (f, g) and let L and L_1 be their associated \mathbf{IK}_2 -algebras, respectively. Then*

$$L \cong L_1 ,$$

where the isomorphism is defined by the rule

$$h((x, y)) = (f(x), g(y)) .$$

Proof: Obviously, h is a lattice homomorphism. Further, we have

$$\begin{aligned} h((x, y)^0) &= h(x^0, \varphi(x^0)) = (f(x^0), g(\varphi(x^0))) \\ &= (f(x^0), \varphi_1(f(x^0))) = (f(x)^0, \varphi_1((f(x))^0)) = (f(x), g(y))^0 = h((x, y))^0 . \end{aligned}$$

Obviously, h is bijective, thus h is an isomorphism. ■

We get immediately from Lemma 1 and Theorems 2, 3:

Corollary 3. *Two locally bounded \mathbf{IK}_2 -algebras are isomorphic if and only if their associated quadruples are isomorphic.*

Let us now observe that the converse statement to Theorem 3 is not true, i.e. a \mathbf{IK}_2 -algebra can be obtained from non-isomorphic \mathbf{IK}_2 -quadruples as well. Hence,

it is not true, that every \mathbf{IK}_2 -quadruple is isomorphic to a quadruple associated with some \mathbf{IK}_2 -algebra. We illustrate this observation on the next example.

Example 1. Let K be a subdirectly irreducible Kleene algebra, let D be a two-element distributive lattice and let $\varphi: K \rightarrow D$ be the mapping defined by the rule

$$\varphi(0) = \varphi(a) = 0_D, \quad \varphi(1) = 1_D$$

(see Figure 1a).

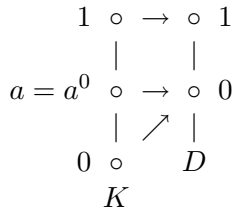


Fig. 1a

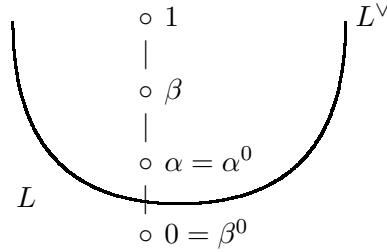


Fig. 1b

Let $\gamma = D \times D$. Then (K, D, φ, γ) is a \mathbf{IK}_2 -quadruple and by the \mathbf{IK}_2 -construction we obtain a (subdirectly irreducible) MS-algebra L , where

$$L = \{(0, 0), (a, 0), (1, 0), (1, 1)\}$$

and

$$(a, 0)^0 = (a, 0), \quad (1, 0)^0 = (0, 0)$$

(see Figure 1b – we renamed the elements of L). Obviously,

$$(K, D, \varphi, \gamma) \not\cong (L^{00}, L^\vee, \varphi(L), \gamma(L)) ,$$

since $L^\vee = \{(a, 0), (1, 0), (1, 1)\}$ is a three element chain. Hence the subdirectly irreducible \mathbf{IK}_2 -algebra L is obtained from two non-isomorphic \mathbf{IK}_2 -quadruples by the \mathbf{IK}_2 -construction, and the \mathbf{IK}_2 -quadruple (K, D, φ, γ) is not isomorphic to any associated quadruple.

Thus the class of all \mathbf{IK}_2 -quadruples is “too large” for establishing a one-to-one correspondence between locally bounded \mathbf{IK}_2 -algebras and \mathbf{IK}_2 -quadruples by means of the \mathbf{IK}_2 -construction. The next theorem gives a characterization of the class of \mathbf{IK}_2 -quadruples for which such a correspondence exists.

Theorem 4. *A \mathbf{IK}_2 -quadruple (K, D, φ, γ) is isomorphic to a quadruple associated with some \mathbf{IK}_2 -algebra if and only if it satisfies the following two conditions:*

- i) For every $y \in D$ there exists a unique element $x_y \in K^\vee$ such that $y \leq \varphi(x_y) \leq \max[y]\gamma$;
- ii) $y_1 \equiv y_2(\gamma)$ iff $x_{y_1}^0 = x_{y_2}^0$ for any $y_1, y_2 \in D$.

Definition 4. A \mathbf{K}_2 -quadruple (K, D, φ, γ) satisfying the conditions i), ii) from Theorem 4 will be called a *decomposable \mathbf{K}_2 -quadruple*.

Lemma 2. Let L be a locally bounded \mathbf{K}_2 -algebra. Then its associated quadruple $(L^{00}, L^\vee, \varphi(L), \gamma(L))$ is a decomposable \mathbf{K}_2 -quadruple.

Proof: We have already observed that $(L^{00}, L^\vee, \varphi(L), \gamma(L))$ is a \mathbf{K}_2 -quadruple. To prove that it satisfies the condition i), suppose $y \in L^\vee$, i.e., $y = a \vee a^0$ for some $a \in L$. Put $x_y = x = a^{00} \vee a^0 = y^{00}$. Obviously, $x \in (L^{00})^\vee$ and $y \leq \varphi(L)(x) = a^0 \vee a^{00} = \max[y]\gamma(L)$, i.e. $(x, y) \in L_1$ where L_1 is a \mathbf{K}_2 -algebra associated with $(L^{00}, L^\vee, \varphi(L), \gamma(L))$. To prove the uniqueness, suppose that $(x', y) \in L_1$ for an element $x' \in (L^{00})^\vee$. Then $y \leq x' \vee b \leq y^{00}$, hence $x'^{00} \vee b^{00} = y^{00}$. Since $x' \in (L^{00})^\vee$, we have $b \leq x'$ and $x' = x' \vee b^{00} = x'^{00} \vee b^{00} = y^{00} = x$. Now we shall prove ii). Let $y_1, y_2 \in L^\vee$, $y_1 = c \vee c^0$, $y_2 = d \vee d^0$ for some $c, d \in L$. Then $y_1 \equiv y_2(\gamma)$ iff $c^0 \wedge c^{00} = d^0 \wedge d^{00}$ and this is equivalent to $x_{y_1}^0 = x_{y_2}^0$. ■

Theorem 5. Let (K, D, φ, γ) be a decomposable \mathbf{K}_2 -quadruple. Then there exists a \mathbf{K}_2 -algebra L such that

$$(L^{00}, L^\vee, \varphi(L), \gamma(L)) \cong (K, D, \varphi, \gamma) .$$

Proof: Let L be a \mathbf{K}_2 -algebra associated with (K, D, φ, γ) . By Theorem 1, the mapping $f: L^{00} \rightarrow K$ defined by the rule $f(x, \varphi(x)) = x$ is an isomorphism of Kleenean algebras. Now,

$$L^\vee = \{(x, y) \vee (x, y^0); (x, y) \in L\} = \{(x \vee x^0, y \vee \varphi(x^0)); (x, y) \in L\} .$$

We shall prove that the mapping $g: L^\vee \rightarrow D$ defined by the rule

$$g(x \vee x^0, y \vee \varphi(x^0)) = y \vee \varphi(x^0)$$

is a lattice isomorphism. Obviously, g is a lattice homomorphism. Let $y \in D$. By i) of Definition 4 there exists a unique element $x \in K^\vee$ such that $(x, y) \in L$. We have $x = z \vee z^0$ for some $z \in K$, hence $x^0 = z^0 \wedge z^{00}$ and $x = x \vee x^0$. Further $\varphi(x^0) = \varphi(z^{00} \wedge z^0) = 0_D$ as $\varphi(K^\wedge) = \{0_D\}$. Hence $y = y \vee \varphi(x^0)$. Therefore for every $y \in D$ there exists an element $x \in K$ such that $y = y \vee \varphi(x^0)$ and $(x \vee x^0, y) \in L^\vee$. This proves the surjectivity of g . The injectivity of g immediately follows from the condition i) of Definition 4.

Now, let $u = (x_1, y_1), v = (x_2, y_2) \in L^\vee$. We know that u, v can be expressed in the form

$$u = (w_1 \vee w_1^0, y_1), \quad v = (w_2 \vee w_2^0, y_2),$$

where $w_1, w_2 \in K$ and $\varphi(w_1^0) = \varphi(w_2^0) = 0_D$. Thus $u \equiv v(\gamma(L))$ iff $u^0 = v^0$, that is equivalent to $w_1^0 \wedge w_1^{00} = w_2^0 \wedge w_2^{00}$. By ii) this holds iff $y_1 \equiv y_2(\gamma)$, that is equivalent to $g(u) \equiv g(v)(\gamma)$.

It remains to prove that the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} L^{00} & \xrightarrow{\varphi(L)} & L^\vee \\ f \downarrow & & \downarrow g \\ K & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & D \end{array}$$

is commutative. Using the fact that $g: L^\vee \rightarrow D$ is an isomorphism we can assume that the smallest element of L^\vee is of the form $v = (z, 0_D)$ for some $z \in K^\vee$. Now, let $u \in L^{00}$. Then $u = (x, \varphi(x))$ for some $x \in K$ and we have

$$g(\varphi(L)(u)) = g\left((x, \varphi(x)) \vee (z, 0_D)\right) = \varphi(x) = \varphi(f(x, \varphi(x))) = \varphi(f(u)).$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 5. ■

Now we shall prove Theorem 4:

Proof of Theorem 4: Let L be a \mathbf{K}_2 -algebra such that $(L^{00}, L^\vee, \varphi(L), \gamma(L)) \cong (K, D, \varphi, \gamma)$ and (f, g) be the corresponding isomorphism. First we shall prove that (K, D, φ, γ) satisfies the condition i). Let $y \in D$. Using Lemma 2 for an element $y' = g^{-1}(y) \in L^\vee$ there exists a unique element $x_{y'} = x' \in (L^{00})^\vee$ such that $y' \leq \varphi(L)(x') \leq \max[y']\gamma(L)$. Put $x_y = x = f(x')$. Clearly, $x \in K^\vee$ and

$$\begin{aligned} y &= g(y') \leq g(\varphi(L)(x')) = \varphi(f(x')) = \varphi(x), \\ \varphi(x) &= \varphi(f(x')) = g(\varphi(L)(x')) \leq g(\max[y']\gamma(L)) \\ &= \max[g(y')]\gamma = \max[y]\gamma. \end{aligned}$$

Thus for every $y \in D$ there exists an element $x_y \in K^\vee$ such that $y \leq \varphi(x_y) \leq \max[y]\gamma$. From the uniqueness of the element x_y follows the uniqueness of the element x_y . The condition ii) can be verified in the similar way.

The converse statement follows from Theorem 5. ■

Note that the \mathbf{K}_2 -quadruple (K, D, φ, γ) from Example 1 is not decomposable. Now, we summarize the previous results:

Corollary 4. *There exists a one-to-one (up to isomorphism) correspondence between locally bounded \mathbf{K}_2 -algebras and decomposable \mathbf{K}_2 -quadruples by means of the \mathbf{K}_2 -construction. More precisely:*

- i) *Let (K, D, φ, γ) be a decomposable \mathbf{K}_2 -quadruple. Then its associated MS-algebra L is a locally bounded \mathbf{K}_2 -algebra and*

$$(L^{00}, L^\vee, \varphi(L), \gamma(L)) \cong (K, D, \varphi, \gamma) .$$

- ii) *Let L be a locally bounded \mathbf{K}_2 -algebra. Then its associated quadruple $(L^{00}, L^\vee, \varphi(L), \gamma(L))$ is a decomposable \mathbf{K}_2 -quadruple and if L_1 is an MS-algebra associated with the quadruple $(L^{00}, L^\vee, \varphi(L), \gamma(L))$ then*

$$L \cong L_1 . \blacksquare$$

5 – A construction of MS-algebras from the subvariety $\mathbf{S} \vee \mathbf{K}$

In this section we give an analogue construction of locally bounded MS-algebras from the subvariety $\mathbf{S} \vee \mathbf{K}$ ($\mathbf{S} \vee \mathbf{K}$ -algebras). The subvariety $\mathbf{S} \vee \mathbf{K}$ is the join of the variety \mathbf{S} of Stonean algebras and the variety \mathbf{K} of Kleenean algebras and is defined by the identities (4), (5) and

$$(6) \quad x \vee y^0 \vee y^{00} = x^{00} \vee y^0 \vee y^{00} .$$

Lemma 3. *Let L be a locally bounded $\mathbf{S} \vee \mathbf{K}$ -algebra and let $(L^{00}, L^\vee, \varphi(L), \gamma(L))$ be its associated quadruple. Let $c \leq \varphi(L)(a) \leq \max[c] \gamma(L)$ for any $a \in L^{00}$, $c \in L^\vee$. Then*

$$c \vee \varphi(L)(d) = \varphi(L)(a) \vee \varphi(L)(d) \quad \text{for any } d \in (L^{00})^\vee .$$

Proof: Let b be the smallest element of L^\vee and let $d = e^0 \vee e^{00}$, where $e \in L$. By the hypothesis $c \leq a \vee b \leq c^{00}$, which implies $c^{00} = a^{00} \vee b^{00} = a \vee b^{00}$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} c \vee \varphi(L)(d) &= c \vee e^0 \vee e^{00} = c^{00} \vee e^0 \vee e^{00} = a \vee b^{00} \vee e^0 \vee e^{00} \\ &= a \vee e^0 \vee e^{00} = \varphi(L)(a) \vee \varphi(L)(d) \end{aligned}$$

using the fact that (6) holds in L . \blacksquare

Definition 5. By a *decomposable $\mathbf{S} \vee \mathbf{K}$ -quadruple* we mean a decomposable \mathbf{K}_2 -quadruple (K, D, φ, γ) satisfying the following condition:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{if} \quad & y \leq \varphi(x) \leq \max[y] \gamma \quad \text{for any } x \in K, y \in D , \\ \text{then} \quad & y \vee \varphi(z) = \varphi(x) \vee \varphi(z) \quad \text{for any } z \in K^\vee . \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 6. *There exists a one-to-one correspondence between locally bounded $\mathbf{S} \vee \mathbf{K}$ -algebras and decomposable $\mathbf{S} \vee \mathbf{K}$ -quadruples by means of the \mathbf{K}_2 -construction. More precisely:*

i) *Let (K, D, φ, γ) be a decomposable $\mathbf{S} \vee \mathbf{K}$ -quadruple. Then its associated MS-algebra L is a locally bounded $\mathbf{S} \vee \mathbf{K}$ -algebra and*

$$(L^{00}, L^\vee, \varphi(L), \gamma(L)) \cong (K, D, \varphi, \gamma) .$$

ii) *Let L be a locally bounded $\mathbf{S} \vee \mathbf{K}$ -algebra. Then its associated quadruple $(L^{00}, L^\vee, \varphi(L), \gamma(L))$ is a decomposable $\mathbf{S} \vee \mathbf{K}$ -quadruple. If L_1 is an MS-algebra associated with $(L^{00}, L^\vee, \varphi(L), \gamma(L))$ then*

$$L \cong L_1 .$$

Proof:

i) It suffices to prove that (6) holds in L . Let $(x, y), (z, w) \in L$. Then by Definition 5

$$y \vee \varphi(z^0 \vee z^{00}) = \varphi(x) \vee \varphi(z^0 \vee z^{00}) ,$$

thus

$$\begin{aligned} (x, y) \vee (z, w)^0 \vee (z, w)^{00} &= (x \vee z^0 \vee z^{00}, y \vee \varphi(z^0 \vee z^{00})) \\ &= (x \vee z^0 \vee z^{00}, \varphi(x) \vee \varphi(z^0 \vee z^{00})) \\ &= (x, y)^{00} \vee (z, w)^0 \vee (z, w)^{00} . \end{aligned}$$

ii) The statement follows immediately from Lemma 3 and Corollary 4. ■

Example 2. Let K and D be the Kleenean algebra and the distributive lattice depicted respectively on Figure 2a.

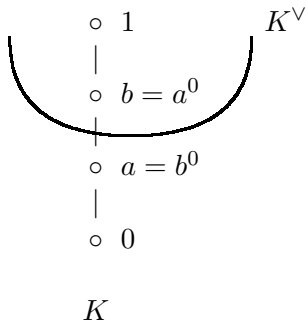


Fig. 2a

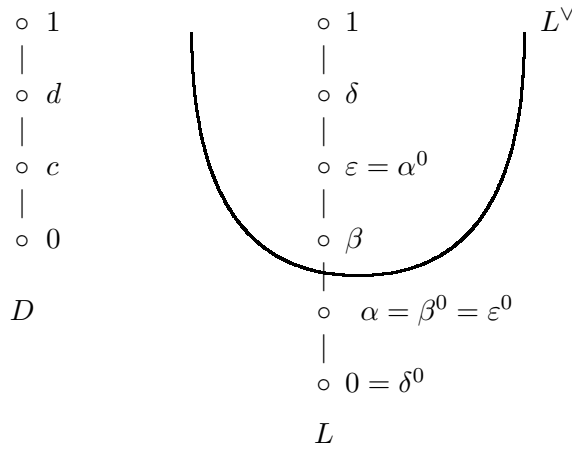


Fig. 2b

Define a homomorphism $\varphi: K \rightarrow D$ by the rule

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi(0) &= \varphi(a) = 0_D, \\ \varphi(b) &= c, \quad \varphi(1) = 1_D,\end{aligned}$$

and a congruence γ on D having two classes $\{0, c\}\gamma$ and $\{d, 1\}\gamma$. Clearly, $\varphi(K^\wedge) = \{0_D\}$, thus (K, D, φ, γ) is a \mathbf{IK}_2 -quadruple. It is easy to verify that it satisfies the conditions i), ii) from Theorem 4, where 1 and b are elements of K^\vee corresponding to the elements $1, d$ and $c, 0$ of D in the required correspondence between K^\vee and D . Hence (K, D, φ, γ) is a decomposable \mathbf{IK}_2 -quadruple. But it is not a decomposable $\mathbf{S} \vee \mathbf{IK}$ -quadruple, since for $x = 1, y = d, z = b$ we have $y \leq \varphi(x) \leq \max[y]\gamma$, but $y \vee \varphi(z) \neq \varphi(x) \vee \varphi(z)$.

By means of the \mathbf{IK}_2 -construction we get an MS-algebra L such that

$$L = \{(0, 0), (a, 0), (b, 0), (b, c), (1, d), (1, 1)\}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}(0, 0)^0 &= (1, 1), \\ (a, 0)^0 &= (b, c), \\ (b, 0)^0 &= (b, c)^0 = (a, 0), \\ (1, d)^0 &= (1, 1)^0 = (0, 0).\end{aligned}$$

The algebra L is represented on Figure 2b (we again renamed its elements). The homomorphism $\varphi(L): L^{00} \rightarrow L^\vee$ is defined by $\varphi(L)(x) = x \vee b$. One can verify that the algebra L is a \mathbf{IK}_2 -algebra, but it is not an $\mathbf{S} \vee \mathbf{IK}$ -algebra since $\delta = \delta \vee \beta^0 \vee \beta^{00} < \delta^{00} \vee \beta^0 \vee \beta^{00} = 1$. Moreover,

$$(L^{00}, L^\vee, \varphi(L), \gamma(L)) \cong (K, D, \varphi, \gamma).$$

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