

HOMOMORPHISMS AND SUBALGEBRAS OF MS-ALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT

According to the characterization of MS-algebras from the subvariety K_2 by mean of the triple construction, we characterize the homomorphisms and the subalgebras of the MS-algebras. Also, we solve the "Fill-in" problem for the associated triples.

Key Words : MS-algebras, De Morgan algebras, kleene algebras, Varieties, Homomorphisms, Subalgebras.

INTRODUCTION

Blyth and Varlet introduced MS-algebras which are algebras of type $(2, 2, 1, 0, 0)$ abstracting de Morgan and Stone algebras (see [2] and [3]). In [1] and [4] they considered a certain subvariety K_2 of MS-algebras whose members may be thought of as algebras abstracting kleene and Stone algebras. Each member of K_2 contains two simpler substructures, one being a kleene algebra and the other a distributive lattice with unit. They developed the "Chen-Gratzer" style construction theorem for the members of K_2 utilizing methods similar to those employed by Katrinak [6] and [7].

The purpose of this note is to study the properties of the triple dealing with the homomorphisms and the subalgebras of MS-algebras from K_2 . The last part deals with fill-in theorems, giving sufficient conditions in order that $(K, D, ?)$ can be filled in to make a triple.

A De Morgan algebra $(L; \vee, \wedge, \circ, 0, 1)$ is an algebra of type $(2, 2, 1, 0, 0)$ such that $(L; \vee, \wedge, 0, 1)$ is a bounded distributive lattice and \circ is a unary operation satisfying the identities :

$$x = x^{\circ\circ} \quad \text{and} \quad (x \vee y)^{\circ} = x^{\circ} \wedge y^{\circ}.$$

As a direct consequence of the definition, we have, for all $x, y \in L$, $(x \wedge y)^{\circ} = x^{\circ} \vee y^{\circ}$, $0^{\circ} = 1$, $1^{\circ} = 0$ and the assignment $x \rightarrow x^{\circ}$ satisfies $x \leq y$ if and only if $x^{\circ} \geq y^{\circ}$.

A Kleene algebra $(K; \vee, \wedge, \circ, 0, 1)$ is a De Morgan algebra on which for every x, y , $x^{\circ} \wedge x \leq y \vee y^{\circ}$ holds. An MS-algebra is an algebra $(L; \vee, \wedge, \circ, 0, 1)$ of type $(2, 2, 1, 0, 0)$ such that $(L; \vee, \wedge, 0, 1)$ is a bounded distributive lattice and $x \rightarrow x^{\circ}$ is a unary operation and the following identities are satisfied :

- (1) $x \leq x^\circ$,
- (2) $(x \wedge y)^\circ = x^\circ \vee y^\circ$,
- (3) $1^\circ = 0$.

The class of all MS-algebras forms a variety. The subvariety K_2 is defined by the additional two identities :

- (4) $x \wedge x^\circ = x^{\circ\circ} \wedge x^\circ$,
- (5) $(x \wedge x^\circ) \vee y \vee y^\circ = y \vee y^\circ$.

For any $L \in K_2$, we have

- (6) $x = x^{\circ\circ} \wedge x^\circ (x \vee x^\circ)$, for every $x \in L$,
- (7) $L^{\circ\circ} = \{x \in L : x = x^{\circ\circ}\}$ is a Kleene algebra,
- (8) $L^\wedge = \{x \in L : x \leq x^\circ\} = \{z \in L : z = x \wedge x^\circ\}$ is an ideal of L and
- (9) $L^\vee = \{x \in L : x \geq x^\circ\} = \{z \in L : z = x \vee x^\circ\}$ is a filter of L .

For $a \in L^{\circ\circ}$, denote $d_a = a \vee a^\circ \in L^\vee$.

Let $L \in K_2$. L^\vee is a filter of L and hence L^\vee is a distributive lattice with the largest element 1. $F(L^\vee)$, the lattice of all filters of L^\vee , is distributive. The map $\phi(L) : L^{\circ\circ} \rightarrow F(L^\vee)$ defined in the following way :

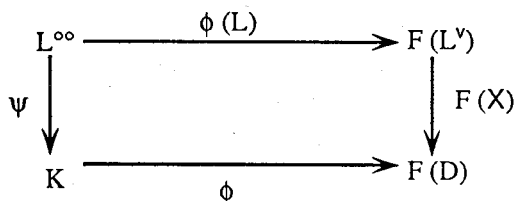
$$a \phi(L) = \{x \in L : x \geq x^\circ\} = [a^\circ] \cap L^\vee, a \in L^{\circ\circ}$$

is a polarization, that is $\phi(L)$ is a (0,1) - homomorphism such that $a \phi(L) = L^\vee$ for every $a \in L^{\circ\circ\vee}$ and $a \phi(L)$ is a principal filter of L^\vee for every $a \in L^{\circ\circ\wedge}$. The triple $[L^{\circ\circ}, L^\vee, \phi(L)]$, which we call briefly the triple associated with L , uniquely determines the algebra L .

A K_2 -triple (triple) is (K, D, ϕ) , where

- (i) $K = (K; \vee, \wedge, \circ, 0, 1)$ is a Kleene algebra,
- (ii) D is a distributive lattice with 1 and
- (iii) $\phi : K \rightarrow F(D)$ is a polarization.

A K_2 -triple constructs an MS - algebra from K_2 (See [1] and [5] such that $L^{\circ\circ}$ is isomorphic with K , L^\vee is isomorphic with D and the diagram .



is commutative. (ψ, χ are isomorphisms of $L^{\circ\circ}$ and K and of L^\vee and D , respectively and $F(\chi)$ stands for the isomorphism of $F(L^\vee)$ and $F(D)$ induced by χ).

The constructing MS-algebra L is described by

$$L = \{(a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x]), a \in K, x \gamma \in a^\circ \phi\} \subseteq K \times F_d(D)$$

where γ is a modal operator on D with

$$\text{Im } \gamma = \{z \in D : [z] = a \phi \text{ for some } a \in K^\wedge\}.$$

Let $(a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x]), (b, b^\circ \phi \cup [y]) \in L$. Then we have

$$(10) (a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x]) \wedge (b, b^\circ \phi \cup [y]) = (a \wedge b, (a \wedge b)^\circ \phi \cup [x \wedge y]),$$

$$(11) (a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x]) \vee (b, b^\circ \phi \cup [y]) = (a \vee b, (a \vee b)^\circ \phi \cup [t]), t \in D,$$

$$(12) (a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x]) \leq (b, b^\circ \phi \cup [y]) \text{ if and only if } a \leq b \text{ and } a^\circ \phi \cup [x] \supseteq b^\circ \phi \cup [y],$$

$$(13) (0, D) \leq (a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x]) \leq (1, [1]) \text{ and}$$

$$(14) (a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x])^\circ = (a^\circ, a \phi).$$

MAIN RESULTS

I. Homomorphisms Of Ms-algebras From K_2

Let $L, L_1 \in K_2$ and h be a homomorphism of L into L_1 , that h is a lattice homomorphism which preserves 0, 1, $^\circ$.

Definition 1

Let (K, D, ϕ) and (K_1, D_1, ϕ_1) be K_2 -triples (triples). A homomorphism of the triple (K, D, ϕ) into (K_1, D_1, ϕ_1) is a pair (f, g) , where f is a homomorphism of K into K_1 , g is a homomorphism of D into D_1 such that for every $a \in k$:

$$(15) d_a g = d_{af}$$

$$(16) a \phi g \subseteq a f \phi_1$$

holds.

Lemma 1

Let $a, b \in K$ and $x, y, t \in D$. Let γ, γ_1 be modal operators on D and D_1 , respectively. Then

- (i) $a \phi \cap [y] = [t]$ and $y \gamma \in a \phi$ implies
 $a f \phi_1 \cap [yg] = [tg]$ and $yg \gamma_1 \in a f \phi_1$,
- (ii) $(a^\circ \phi \cup [x]) \cap (b^\circ \phi \cup [y]) = (a \vee b)^\circ \phi \cup [t]$
and $t \gamma \in (a \vee b)^\circ \phi$ implies
 $((af)^\circ \phi_1 \cup [xg]) \cap ((b\gamma)^\circ \phi_1 \cup [yg])$
 $= (a \vee b)^\circ f \phi_1 \cup [tg]$ and $t \gamma_1 \in (a \vee b)^\circ f \phi_1$.

Proof

- (i) Let $a \phi \cap [y] = [t]$, then $t = x_1 \vee y, x_1 \in a \phi$
and $x_1 \gamma \in a \phi \subseteq a f \phi_1$.
If $t_1 \in a f \phi_1 \cap [yg]$, then $t_1 = x_1 \gamma \vee yg$
 $= (x_1 \vee y) \gamma = t \gamma$ and $a f \phi_1 \cap [yg] \subseteq [t \gamma]$.
Also, $a f \phi_1 \cap [yg] \supseteq a \phi \gamma \cap yg$
 $= (a \phi \cap [y]) \gamma = [t] \gamma = [t \gamma]$ and $y \gamma \in a \phi$
implies $yg \gamma_1 \in a f \phi_1$,
- (ii) $((af)^\circ \phi_1 \cup [xg]) \cap ((b\gamma)^\circ \phi_1 \cup [yg])$
 $= ((af)^\circ \phi_1 \cap ((b\gamma)^\circ \phi_1 \cup [yg])) \cup ([xg] \cap$
 $((b\gamma)^\circ \phi_1 \cup [yg]))$
 $= ((af)^\circ \phi_1 \cap (b\gamma)^\circ \phi_1) \cup ((af)^\circ \phi_1 \cap [yg]) \cup$
 $([xg] \cap (b\gamma)^\circ \phi_1) \cup ([xg] \cap [yg])$
 $= (a \vee b)^\circ f \phi_1 \cup [tg]$.

and

$$((af)^\circ \phi_1 \cap [yg]) \cup (([xg] \cap (b\gamma)^\circ \phi_1) \cup [x \vee y] \gamma)$$

$$= [t_1 \gamma] \cup [t_2 \gamma] \cup [(x \vee y) \gamma]$$

$$= [(t_1 \wedge t_2 \wedge (x \vee y)) \gamma] = [tg],$$

where

$$(af)^\circ \phi_1 \cap [yg] = [t_1 \gamma] \cap [yg] \cap (b\gamma)^\circ \phi_1 \cap [xg] = [t_2 \gamma]$$

by (i) and $t = t_1 \wedge t_2 \wedge (x \vee y)$.

Now, since $t \gamma \in (a \vee b)^\circ \phi, t \gamma \gamma \in (a \vee b)^\circ \phi \gamma$
 $\subseteq (a \vee b)^\circ f \phi_1$ and $(t \gamma) \gamma_1 = t \gamma \gamma \in (a \vee b)^\circ f \phi_1$

Theorem 1

Let L and L_1 be MS-algebras from $K_2, (K, D, \phi)$ and (K_1, D_1, ϕ_1) be the associated triples, respectively. Let h be a homomorphism of L into L_1 and h_K, h_D the restrictions of h to K and D , respectively. Then (h_K, h_D) is a homomorphism of the triples. Conversely, every homomorphism (f, g) of triples uniquely determines a homomorphism h of L into L_1 with $h_K = f, h_D = g$ by the following rule :

$$xh = x^\circ f \wedge (x \vee x^\circ) g \text{ for all } x \in L.$$

(In other words, homomorphisms of MS-algebras from K_2 are the same as homomorphisms of triples).

Proof

To prove the first statement we have to verify (15) and (16) with $g = h_D$ and $f = h_K$. Evidently,
 $d_{ah} = ah \vee (ah)^\circ = (a \vee a^\circ) h = d_a h,$
 $a \phi h = \{xh : x \in a \phi\} = \{xh : x \in [a^\circ] \cap D\}$
 $\subseteq \{y : y \in [(ah)^\circ] \cap D_1\} = ah \phi_1.$

Conversely, let (15) and (16) hold. We represent the elements of L and L_1 as in Construction Theorem that is $L = \{(a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x]) : a \in K, x \in D, x \gamma \in a^\circ \phi\}$, where γ is a modal operator on D with $\text{Im } \gamma = \{z \in D : [z] = a \phi \text{ for some } a \in K^\wedge\}$ and $L_1 = \{(b, b^\circ \phi_1 \cup [y]) : b \in K_1, y \in D_1, y \gamma_1 \in b^\circ \phi_1\}$, where γ_1 is a modal operator on D_1 with $\text{Im } \gamma_1 = \{z \in D_1 : [z] = a \phi_1 \text{ for some } a \in K_1^\wedge\}$. Then the definition of h reads :

$$(a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x])h = (af, (af)^\circ \phi_1 \cup [xg]), xg \gamma_1 \in (af)^\circ \phi_1.$$

We show that h is well defined. Let

$$(a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x]) = (b, b^\circ \phi \cup [y]).$$

Then $a = b$ and $a^\circ \phi \cup [x] = b^\circ \phi \cup [y]$.

Hence, $x \geq x_1 \wedge y$ and $y \geq y_1 \wedge x$ for some $x_1, y_1 \in a^\circ \phi$. Since g is a homomorphism and (16) holds, then we have $xg \geq x_1 g \wedge yg$ and $yg \geq y_1 g \wedge xg$ with $x_1 g, y_1 g \in (af)^\circ \phi_1$. So we obtain $(af)^\circ \phi_1 \cup [xg] = (af)^\circ \phi_1 \cup [yg]$.

Thus, $(a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x])h = (b, b^\circ \phi \cup [y])h$. Therefore, h is a map of L into L_1 . Obviously, $h_K = f$ and $h_D = g$. To prove that h is a homomorphism, we have to verify the following three formulac :

$$(17) ((a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x]) \wedge (b, b^\circ \phi \cup [y]))h \\ = (a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x])h \wedge (b, b^\circ \phi \cup [y])h;$$

$$(18) ((a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x]) \vee (b, b^\circ \phi \cup [y]))h \\ = (a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x])h \vee (b, b^\circ \phi \cup [y])h;$$

$$(19) (a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x])^\circ h = ((a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x])h)^\circ.$$

$$(17) ((a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x]) \wedge (b, b^\circ \phi \cup [y]))h \\ = (a \wedge b, (a \wedge b)^\circ \phi \cup [x \wedge y])h \\ = ((a \wedge b)f, ((a \wedge b)^\circ \phi_1 \cup [(x \wedge y)g])) \\ = (af, (af)^\circ \phi_1 \cup [xg]) \wedge (bf, (bf)^\circ \phi_1 \cup [yg]) \\ = (a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x])h \wedge (b, b^\circ \phi \cup [y])h$$

$$(18) ((a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x]) \vee (b, b^\circ \phi \cup [y]))h \\ = (a \vee b, (a \vee b)^\circ \phi \cup [x \vee y])h \\ = ((a \vee b)f, ((a \vee b)^\circ \phi_1 \cup [xg] \cup [yg])) \\ = ((a \vee b)f, ((af)^\circ \phi_1 \cup [xg] \cup [yg])) \\ \cap ((bf)^\circ \phi_1 \cup [yg]) \\ \text{by lemma 1 (ii)} \\ = (af, (af)^\circ \phi_1 \cup [xg]) \vee (bf, (bf)^\circ \phi_1 \cup [yg]) \\ = (a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x])h \vee (b, b^\circ \phi \cup [y])h.$$

$$(19) (a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x])^\circ h = (a^\circ, a^\circ \phi)h = (a^\circ f, af \phi_1) \\ = (af, (af)^\circ \phi_1 \cup [xg])^\circ \\ = ((a, a^\circ \phi \cup [x])h)^\circ.$$

Thus, h is a homomorphism of L into L_1 . It is easy to see the uniqueness of h with $h_K = f$ and $h_D = g$.

II. Subalgebras of MS - Algebras from K_2

According to the characterization of MS-algebras in K_2 by means of the triple (K, D, ϕ) , we characterize the subalgebras and solve the "Fill-in" problem for their associated triples.

Theorem 2

Let L_1 be a subalgebra of an MS-algebra L from K_2 , then $L^{\circ\circ}_1 = L_1 \cap L^{\circ\circ}$ is a subalgebra of $L^{\circ\circ}$ and $L_1^\vee = L_1 \cap L^\vee$ is a sublattice of L^\vee containing 1. The triple associated with L_1 is $(L_1^{\circ\circ}, L_1^\vee, \phi_1)$, where ϕ_1 is given by $a\phi_1 = a\phi \cap L_1^\vee$, for $a \in L_1^{\circ\circ}$.

Proof

Let $x, y \in L_1^{\circ\circ}$, clearly $x \vee y, x \wedge y$ are elements in $L_1^{\circ\circ}$, $L_1^{\circ\circ}$ is a sublattice of $L^{\circ\circ}$. Since L_1 is bounded and the bounds 0,1 are squeelette elements, then $0, 1 \in L_1^{\circ\circ}$ and $1^\circ = 0$ also $(x \vee y)^\circ = x^\circ \wedge y^\circ$ and $x \wedge x^\circ \leq y \vee y^\circ$ for every $x, y \in L_1^{\circ\circ}$. Thus $L_1^{\circ\circ}$ is a subalgebra of $L^{\circ\circ}$.

Since L^\vee is a sublattice of L containing 1, then $L_1^\vee = L_1 \cap L^\vee$ is a sublattice of L^\vee containing 1.

Now, we define $\phi_1 : L_1^{\circ\circ} \rightarrow F(L_1^\vee)$ by $a\phi_1 = a\phi \cap L_1^\vee$, $a \in L_1^{\circ\circ}$, we show that ϕ_1 is a polarization $0\phi_1 = 0\phi \cap L_1^\vee = [1]$, $1\phi_1 = 1\phi \cap L_1^\vee = L_1^\vee$ and $(a \vee b)\phi_1 = (a \vee b)\phi \cap L_1^\vee = (a\phi \cup b\phi) \cap L_1^\vee = (a\phi \cap L_1^\vee) \cup (b\phi \cap L_1^\vee) = a\phi_1 \cup b\phi_1$, $(a \wedge b)\phi_1 = (a \wedge b)\phi \cap L_1^\vee = (a\phi \cap b\phi) \cap L_1^\vee = (a\phi \cap L_1^\vee) \cap (b\phi \cap L_1^\vee) = a\phi_1 \cap b\phi_1$, $a, b \in L_1^{\circ\circ}$

which means that ϕ_1 is a $\{0,1\}$ - homomorphism of $L_1^{\circ\circ}$ into $F(L_1^{\vee})$.

For all $a \in L_1^{\circ\circ\vee}$, $a = a_1 \vee a_1^\circ$, $a_1 \in L_1^{\circ\circ}$ we have $a\phi_1 = (a_1 \vee a_1^\circ)\phi_1 = (a_1 \vee a_1^\circ)\phi \cap L_1^{\vee} = [d_{a_1}] \cap L_1^{\vee} = L_1^{\vee}$ (ϕ is a polarization)

For all $a \in L_1^{\circ\circ\wedge}$, $a\phi_1$ is a principal filter of $F(L_1^{\vee})$. Then $(L_1^{\circ\circ}, L_1^{\vee}, \phi_1)$ is the K_2 -triple associated with L_1 .

Theorem 3

Let $L \in K_2$, $L_1^{\circ\circ}$ be a subalgebra of $L^{\circ\circ}$, L_1^{\vee} a sublattice of L^{\vee} containing 1. We can fill - in $(L_1^{\circ\circ}, L_1^{\vee}, ?)$ such that it will become the triple associated with a subalgebra of L iff

- (1) $a\phi_1 \cup a^\circ\phi_1 = L_1^{\vee}$ for $a \in L_1^{\circ\circ}$
- (2) $a \vee a^\circ \in L_1^{\vee}$ for $a \in L_1^{\circ\circ}$.

Proof

If $(L_1^{\circ\circ}, L_1^{\vee}, \phi_1)$ is the triple associated with a subalgebra L_1 of L , then $a\phi_1 = a\phi_L \cap L_1^{\vee}$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} (a\phi_1 \cup a^\circ\phi_1) &= (a\phi \cap L_1^{\vee}) \cup (a^\circ\phi \cap L_1^{\vee}) \\ &= (a\phi \cup a^\circ\phi) \cap L_1^{\vee} \\ &= L^{\vee} \cap L_1^{\vee} = L_1^{\vee}. \end{aligned}$$

Now, let $a \in L_1^{\circ\circ}$, then $a \vee a^\circ \in L_1 \cap L^{\vee} = L_1^{\vee}$. Conversely, assume (1) and (2). Let $K = L^{\circ\circ}$, $D = L^{\vee}$ and $\phi = \phi(L)$. Represent the elements of L as in the Construction Theorem, that is,

$$L = \{ (a, a^\circ\phi \cup [x]) : a \in K, x \in D, x\gamma \in a^\circ\phi \text{ and } \gamma \text{ is a modal operator on } D \}$$

$$L_1 = \{ (a, a^\circ\phi \cup [x]) : a \in K_1, x \in D_1, x\gamma_1 \in a^\circ\phi \text{ and } \gamma_1 \text{ is the restriction of } \gamma \text{ to } D_1 \}.$$

We show that L_1 is a subalgebra of L . It is clear that $0_L = (0, D)$ and $1_L = (1, [1])$ belong to L_1 and if $(a, a^\circ\phi \cup [x]) \in L_1$,

$$((a, a^\circ\phi \cup [x]))^\circ = (a^\circ, a\phi) \in L_1.$$

Now, let $(a, a^\circ\phi \cup [x]), (b, b^\circ\phi \cup [y])$ be elements of L_1 . We have

$$\begin{aligned} &(a, a^\circ\phi \cup [x]) \wedge (b, b^\circ\phi \cup [y]) \\ &= a \wedge b, (a \wedge b)^\circ\phi \cup [x \wedge y] \in L_1 \text{ and} \\ &(x \wedge y)\gamma_1 = (x \wedge y)\gamma \in (a \wedge b)^\circ\phi, \\ &(a, a^\circ\phi \cup [x]) \vee (b, b^\circ\phi \cup [y]) = (a \vee b, (a^\circ\phi \cup [x]) \cap (b^\circ\phi \cup [y])) \\ &= (a \vee b, (a \vee b)^\circ\phi \cup [t]) \in L_1 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} &(a^\circ\phi \cup [x]) \cap (b^\circ\phi \cup [y]) = ((a^\circ\phi \cup [x]) \cap b^\circ\phi) \cup ((a^\circ\phi \cup [x]) \cap [y]) \\ &= (a^\circ\phi \cap b^\circ\phi) \cup ([x] \cap b^\circ\phi) \cup (a^\circ\phi \cap [y]) \cup [x \vee y] \\ &= (a \vee b)^\circ\phi \cup [t_1] \cup [t_2] \cup [x \vee y] \\ &= (a \vee b)^\circ\phi \cup [t_1 \wedge t_2 \wedge (x \vee y)] \\ &= (a \vee b)^\circ\phi \cup [t], t \in D_1, t\gamma_1 \in (a \vee b)^\circ\phi. \end{aligned}$$

Since $b^\circ\phi \cap [x] = [t_1] = [x \vee x_1]$, $x_1 \in b^\circ\phi$ and $a^\circ\phi \cap [y] = [t_2] = [y \vee y_1]$, $y_1 \in a^\circ\phi$ (by Lemma 1, [1]),

then $t_1, t_2 \in D_1$ and so $t = t_1 \wedge t_2 \wedge (x \vee y) \in D_1$.

Also, we have .

$$\begin{aligned} &(a, a^\circ\phi \cup [x]) \leq (a, a^\circ\phi \cup [x])^{\circ\circ} = (a, a^\circ\phi), \\ &((a, a^\circ\phi \cup [x]) \wedge (b, b^\circ\phi \cup [y]))^\circ \\ &= (a \wedge b, (a \wedge b)^\circ\phi \cup [x \wedge y])^\circ \\ &= ((a \wedge b)^\circ, (a \wedge b)\phi) \\ &= (a^\circ \vee b^\circ, a\phi \wedge b\phi) \\ &= (a^\circ, a\phi) \vee (b^\circ, b\phi) \\ &= (a, a^\circ\phi \cup [x])^\circ \vee (b, b^\circ\phi \cup [y])^\circ. \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &(a, a^\circ\phi \cup [x]) \wedge (a, a^\circ\phi \cup [x])^\circ \\ &= (a, a^\circ\phi \cup [x]) \wedge (a^\circ, a\phi) \\ &= (a \wedge a^\circ, (a^\circ \vee a)\phi \cup [x]) \\ &= (a, a^\circ\phi) \wedge (a^\circ, a\phi) \text{ (Since } (a^\circ \vee a)\phi = D) \\ &= (a, a^\circ\phi \cup [x])^{\circ\circ} \wedge (a, a^\circ\phi \cup [x])^\circ. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly ,

$$(x \wedge x^\circ) \vee (y \vee y^\circ) = y \vee y^\circ \quad \forall x, y \in L_1.$$

Thus L_1 is a subalgebra of L . We show that $L_1^{\circ\circ} \simeq K_1$ and $L_1^\vee \simeq D_1$.

$$L_1^{\circ\circ} = \{ a, a^\circ\phi \} : a \in K_1 \}$$

$$L_1^\vee = \{ (a, a^\circ\phi \cup [x]) : a \in K_1^\vee \}$$

Define $\psi : K_1 \rightarrow L_1^{\circ\circ}$ by $a\psi = (a, a^\circ\phi)$, $a \in K_1$

and $\chi : D_1 \rightarrow L_1^\vee$ by $x\chi = (d, d^\circ\phi \cup [x])$,

$d \in K_1^\vee$.

By easy computations, we can prove that ψ and χ are isomorphisms. Hence we can fill-in $(K_1, D_1, ?)$ by $\phi_1 = \phi_{L_1} = \phi_L \cap D_1$ such that it will become the triple associated with a subalgebra of L .

III. Fill-in Theorems (Fill-in problems)

Fill - in problems are statements containing the answer to the question : for a given Kleene algebra K , a distributive lattice D with 1, when does there exist a ϕ such that (K, D, ϕ) is a K_2 - triple ?

Theorem 4

$(K, D, ?)$ can always be filled in to make it a K_2 - triple if K is a Kleene algebra and D a distributive lattice with 1, provided $|K| > 1$. If $|K| = 1$ then $|D| = 1$.

Proof

Take an arbitrary prime ideal P of K . Define

$$\phi : K \rightarrow F(D)$$

$$x\phi = D \quad \text{for } x \notin P$$

$$x\phi = [1] \quad \text{for } x \in P.$$

It is easy to check that ϕ is a polarization .

Consider the fill-in problem given by the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (K, D, \phi) & & \\ f \downarrow & g \downarrow & \\ (K_1, D_1, ?) & & \end{array}$$

where f and g are onto homomorphisms. We can formulate

Theorem 5

Let (K, D, f) be a given K_2 -triple, $(K_1, D_1, ?)$ a defective triple and a pair of onto homomorphisms $f : K \rightarrow K_1$ and $g : D \rightarrow D_1$. There exists a ϕ_1 making (K_1, D_1, ϕ_1) a K_2 -triple, and (f, g) a homomorphism of (K, D, ϕ) and (K_1, D_1, ϕ_1) iff $(a\phi)g = [1]$ for all $a \in \text{Of}^{-1}$.

Proof

Assume that (K, D, ϕ) and (K_1, D_1, ϕ_1) be K_2 - triples with a pair of onto homomorphisms $f : K \rightarrow K_1$ and $g : D \rightarrow D_1$, (f, g) is a homomorphism of the two triples.

Then $a\phi g \subseteq a f \phi_1$. Let $a \in \text{Of}^{-1}$ then $a f = 0$ and $(a\phi)g \subseteq (a f) \phi_1 = 0 \phi_1 = [1]$, but $[1]$ is the smallest element of $F(D_1)$, then $(a\phi)g = [1] \quad \forall a \in \text{Of}^{-1}$.

Conversely, let $(a\phi)g = [1] \quad \forall a \in \text{Of}^{-1}$. Define $\phi_1 : K_1 \rightarrow F(D_1)$ as $b\phi_1 = a\phi g$, where $b = a f$, $a \in K$, that is $(a f) \phi_1 = (a\phi)g$. We have to show that ϕ_1 is a well defined map. Let $a f = b f$, $a, b \in k$, then $(a f)^\circ = (b f)^\circ$,

$$a\phi g = \{ xg : x \in a\phi \} = \{ xg : x \in [a^\circ] \cap D \}$$

$$= \{ y : y = xg \in [(a f)^\circ] \cap D_1 \}$$

$$= \{ y : y \in [(b f)^\circ] \cap D_1 \}$$

$$= \{ xg : x \in [b^\circ] \cap D \} = b\phi g.$$

and ϕ_1 is a well defined map .

Since f is a Kleene homomorphism of K onto K_1 , then $0\phi_1 = (0f)\phi_1 = 0\phi g = \{1\}$ which is the zero of

$F(D_1)$. Also, $1\phi_1 = (1f)\phi_1$ is a $\{0,1\}$ - map. Now, let

$x, y \in K_1$, then $a f = x$, $b f = y$ for some $a, b \in K$.

$$(x \vee y)\phi_1 = (a f \vee b f)\phi_1 = (a \vee b) f \phi_1$$

$$= (a \vee b) \phi g$$

$$= (a\phi \cup b\phi)g$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= a \phi g \cup b \phi g \\ &= (af) \phi_1 \cup (bf) \phi_1 \\ &= x \phi_1 \cup y \phi_1 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (x \wedge y) \phi_1 &= (af \wedge bf) \phi_1 = (af \wedge bf) \phi_1 \\ &= (a \wedge b) \phi g \\ &= a \phi g \cap b \phi g \\ &= (af) \phi_1 \cap (bf) \phi_1 \\ &= x \phi_1 \cap y \phi_1, \end{aligned}$$

then ϕ_1 is a lattice homomorphism.

Also, for all $x \in K_1^v, x = af$, then $x = x_1 \vee x_1^\circ$,

$$x_1 = a_1 f$$

$$\begin{aligned} x \phi_1 &= (x_1 \vee x_1^\circ) \phi_1 = (a_1 f \vee (a_1 f)^\circ) \phi_1 \\ &= (a_1 \vee a_1^\circ) f \phi_1 \\ &= (a_1 \vee a_1^\circ) \phi g \\ &= Dg = D_1 \end{aligned}$$

and for all $x \in K_1^\wedge, x = x_1 \wedge x_1^\circ, x_1 = a_1 f$

$$\begin{aligned} x \phi_1 &= (x_1 \wedge x_1^\circ) \phi_1 = (a_1 f \wedge (a_1 f)^\circ) \phi_1 \\ &= (a_1 \wedge a_1^\circ) f \phi_1 \\ &= (a_1 \wedge a_1^\circ) \phi g \text{ (since } a_1 \wedge a_1^\circ \in K^\wedge) \\ &= [d]g = [dg], d \in D \end{aligned}$$

and $x \phi_1$ is a principal filter in $F(D_1)$, for all $x \in K_1^\wedge$.

Hence ϕ_1 is a polarization and (K_1, D_1, ϕ_1) is a K_2 -triple, we have to show that (f, g) is a triple homomorphism. By definition

$$a \phi g = af \phi_1 \quad \text{and}$$

$$\begin{aligned} [d_a g] &= [d_a]g = [a \vee a^\circ]g = ([a \vee a^\circ] \cap D)g \\ &= [(a \vee a^\circ)f] \cap Dg \\ &= [af \vee (af)^\circ] \cap D_1 \\ &= [af \vee (af)^\circ] \\ &= [d_a f] \end{aligned}$$

completing the required proof.

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