

A NOTE ON GOOD PSEUDO BL-ALGEBRAS

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Abstract

Pseudo BL-algebras are a noncommutative extension of BL-algebras. In this paper we study good pseudo BL-algebras and consider some classes of these algebras.

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1. Introduction

Hájek [9] introduced BL-algebras in 1998. MV-algebras introduced by Chang [1] are contained in the class of BL-algebras. A noncommutative extension of MV-algebras, called pseudo MV-algebras, were introduced by Georgescu and Iorgulescu [6]. A concept of pseudo BL-algebras were firstly introduced by Georgescu and Iorgulescu in 2000 as noncommutative generalization of BL-algebras and pseudo MV-algebras. The basic properties of pseudo BL-algebras were given in [2] and [3]. The pseudo BL-algebras correspond to a pseudo-basic fuzzy logic (see [10] and [11]).

In [8], there were characterized some classes of pseudo BL-algebras. In this paper we give some interesting facts about good pseudo BL-algebras.

We study bipartite good pseudo BL-algebras and some connections between a good pseudo BL-algebra A and the set $M(A)$ of elements $a \in A$ such that $a = (a^-)^\sim = (a^\sim)^-$.

2. Preliminaries

Definition 2.1. An algebra $(A, \vee, \wedge, \odot, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 0, 1)$ of type $(2,2,2,2,2,0,0)$ is called a *pseudo BL-algebra* if it satisfies the following axioms for any $a, b, c \in A$:

- (C1) $(A, \vee, \wedge, 0, 1)$ is a bounded lattice,
- (C2) $(A, \odot, 1)$ is a monoid,
- (C3) $a \odot b \leq c \Leftrightarrow a \leq b \rightarrow c \Leftrightarrow b \leq a \rightsquigarrow c$,
- (C4) $a \wedge b = (a \rightarrow b) \odot a = a \odot (a \rightsquigarrow b)$,
- (C5) $(a \rightarrow b) \vee (b \rightarrow a) = (a \rightsquigarrow b) \vee (b \rightsquigarrow a) = 1$.

Throughout this paper A will denote a pseudo BL-algebra. For any $a \in A$ and $n = 0, 1, \dots$, we put $a^0 = 1$ and $a^{n+1} = a^n \odot a$.

Proposition 2.2 ([2]). *The following properties hold in A for all $a, b, c \in A$:*

- (i) $a \leq b \Leftrightarrow a \rightarrow b = 1$,
- (ii) $b \leq a \rightarrow b$ and $b \leq a \rightsquigarrow b$,
- (iii) $a \odot b \leq a$ and $a \odot b \leq b$,
- (iv) $a \rightarrow (b \rightarrow c) = a \odot b \rightarrow c$ and $a \rightsquigarrow (b \rightsquigarrow c) = b \odot a \rightsquigarrow c$,
- (v) $a \odot (b \vee c) = (a \odot b) \vee (a \odot c)$ and $(b \vee c) \odot a = (b \odot a) \vee (c \odot a)$,
- (vi) $a \leq b \Leftrightarrow a \odot c \leq b \odot c$.

We define $a^- := a \rightarrow 0$ and $a^\sim := a \rightsquigarrow 0$. We have

Proposition 2.3 ([2]). *The following properties hold in A for all $a, b, c \in A$:*

- (i) $a \leq (a^-)^\sim$ and $a \leq (a^\sim)^-$,
- (ii) $a^- \odot a = a \odot a^\sim = 0$,
- (iii) $(a \odot b)^- = a \rightarrow b^-$ and $(a \odot b)^\sim = b \rightsquigarrow a^\sim$,
- (iv) $a \rightsquigarrow b \leq b^\sim \rightarrow a^\sim$ and $a \rightarrow b \leq b^- \rightsquigarrow a^-$,
- (v) $(a \vee b)^- = a^- \wedge b^-$ and $(a \vee b)^\sim = a^\sim \wedge b^\sim$,
- (vi) $(a \wedge b)^- = a^- \vee b^-$ and $(a \wedge b)^\sim = a^\sim \vee b^\sim$,
- (vii) $((a^-)^\sim)^- = a^-$ and $((a^\sim)^-)^\sim = a^\sim$,
- (viii) $a \rightarrow b^\sim = b \rightsquigarrow a^-$,
- (ix) $a \leq b$ implies $b^- \leq a^-$ and $b^\sim \leq a^\sim$.

Definition 2.4. A nonempty subset F of A is called a *filter* if it satisfies the following two conditions:

- (F1) If $a \in F$ and $a \leq b$, then $b \in F$,
- (F2) If $a, b \in F$, then $a \odot b \in F$.

A filter F is called *proper* if $F \neq A$. A proper filter F is called *maximal* or an *ultrafilter* if F is not contained in any other proper filter.

Let $\text{Max } A$ denote the set of all ultrafilters of A . Denote $\mathcal{M}(A) = \bigcap \text{Max } A$. For every filter F of A we define sets

$$F_{\sim}^* = \{a \in A : a \leq x^\sim \text{ for some } x \in F\},$$

$$F_-^* = \{a \in A : a \leq x^- \text{ for some } x \in F\}.$$

Proposition 2.5 ([8]).

- (a) $F_{\sim}^* = \{a \in A : a^- \in F\}$,
- (b) $F_-^* = \{a \in A : a^\sim \in F\}$.

Definition 2.6. A is called:

- (1) *bipartite* if $A = F \cup F_{\sim}^* = F \cup F_-^*$ for some ultrafilter F of A .
- (2) *strongly bipartite* if $A = F \cup F_{\sim}^* = F \cup F_-^*$ for all $F \in \text{Max } A$.

Proposition 2.7 ([13]). *Let F be a proper filter of A . Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i) $A = F \cup F_{\sim}^* = F \cup F_-^*$,
- (ii) $F_-^* = F_{\sim}^* = A - F$,
- (iii) $\forall a \in A (a \in F \text{ or } (a^- \in F \text{ and } a_{\sim} \in F))$.

Let $S(A) := \{a \vee a_{\sim} : a \in A\} \cup \{a \vee a^- : a \in A\}$.

Proposition 2.8 ([8]). $S(A) = \{a \in A : a \geq a_{\sim} \text{ or } a \geq a^-\}$.

Proposition 2.9 ([13]). $\mathcal{M}(A) \subseteq S(A)$.

Proposition 2.10 ([13]). *The following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i) A is strongly bipartite,
- (ii) $\forall F \in \text{Max } A \ A = F \cup F_{\sim}^* = F \cup F_-^*$,
- (iii) $\forall F \in \text{Max } A \ S(A) \subseteq F$,
- (iv) $S(A) = \mathcal{M}(A)$.

In the sequel, we need to recall some facts about pseudo MV-algebras, which are the noncommutative generalizations of MV-algebras.

Definition 2.11. A *pseudo MV-algebra* is an algebra $(M; \oplus, ^-, \sim, 0, 1)$ of type $(2, 1, 1, 0, 0)$, which satisfies the following conditions for all $a, b, c \in M$:

- (A1) $a \oplus (b \oplus c) = (a \oplus b) \oplus c$,
- (A2) $a \oplus 0 = 0 \oplus a = a$,

$$(A3) \quad a \oplus 1 = 1 \oplus a = 1,$$

$$(A4) \quad 1^\sim = 0; 1^- = 0,$$

$$(A5) \quad (a^\sim \oplus b^\sim)^- = (a^- \oplus b^-)^\sim,$$

$$(A6) \quad a \oplus a^\sim \cdot b = b \oplus b^\sim \cdot a = a \cdot b^- \oplus b = b \cdot a^- \oplus a,$$

$$(A7) \quad a \cdot (a^- \oplus b) = (a \oplus b^\sim) \cdot a,$$

$$(A8) \quad (a^-)^\sim = a.$$

where $a \cdot b = (b^- \oplus a^-)^\sim$ and the operation \cdot has a priority to the operation \oplus .

Recall that in a pseudo MV-algebra M the following conditions hold:

$$(i) \quad (a^\sim)^- = a,$$

$$(ii) \quad a \cdot b = (b^\sim \oplus a^\sim)^-,$$

$$(iii) \quad 0^- = 1.$$

Definition 2.12. The nonempty subset $I \subseteq M$ is called *an ideal* of a pseudo MV-algebra M if the following conditions hold for all $a, b \in M$:

$$(I1) \quad \text{If } a \in I, b \in M \text{ and } b \leq a, \text{ then } b \in I;$$

$$(I2) \quad \text{If } a, b \in I, \text{ then } a \oplus b \in I.$$

Definition 2.13. An ideal I of M is called *proper* if $I \neq M$. A proper ideal I of M is called *maximal* if I is not contained in any other proper ideal of M .

The set of all maximal ideals of a pseudo MV-algebra M is denoted by $\mathbf{Max}M$ and the intersection of all maximal ideals of M by $\text{Rad}M$.

Set $T(M) = \{a \wedge a^- : a \in M\}$. We have

Proposition 2.14 ([5]). $\text{Rad}M \subseteq T(M)$.

Let I be an ideal of a pseudo MV-algebra M . We set

$$I^- = \{a^- : a \in I\},$$

$$I^\sim = \{a^\sim : a \in I\}.$$

A pseudo MV-algebra M is called *bipartite* if there exists a maximal ideal I of M such that $M = I \cup I^- = I \cup I^\sim$. If $M = I \cup I^- = I \cup I^\sim$ for all $I \in \mathbf{Max}M$, then M is called *strongly bipartite*.

Proposition 2.15 ([4]). *The following conditions are equivalent for pseudo MV-algebra M :*

- (i) M is strongly bipartite,
- (ii) for all $I \in \mathbf{Max}M$, $M = I \cup I^- = I \cup I^\sim$,
- (iii) $T(M) = \text{Rad}M$.

3. GOOD PSEUDO BL-ALGEBRAS

Definition 3.1. A *good* pseudo BL-algebra is a pseudo BL-algebra which satisfies the following identity:

$$(a^-)^\sim = (a^\sim)^-.$$

From this place to the end of this paper, A will denote a good pseudo BL-algebra.

We consider the subset

$$M(A) = \{a \in A : a = (a^-)^\sim = (a^\sim)^-\}$$

of A .

For any $a, b \in A$, we define

$$a \oplus b := (b^- \odot a^-)^\sim.$$

Proposition 3.2 ([8]). *The following properties hold in A :*

- (i) $0, 1 \in M(A)$,
- (ii) $a^- \in M(A)$ and $a^\sim \in M(A)$ for any $a \in A$,

- (iii) If $a, b \in M(A)$, then $a \oplus b = b^\sim \rightarrow a = a^- \rightsquigarrow b$,
- (iv) If $a, b \in M(A)$, then $a \oplus b^- = b \rightarrow a, a \oplus b^\sim = a^- \rightsquigarrow b^\sim, a^- \oplus b = b^\sim \rightarrow a^-$ and $a^\sim \oplus b = a \rightsquigarrow b$.

Proposition 3.3 ([8]). *The structure $(M(A), \oplus, \sim, ^-, 0, 1)$ is a pseudo MV-algebra. The order on A agrees with the one of $M(A)$, defined by $a \leq_{M(A)} b$ iff $a^\sim \oplus b = 1$.*

Following [8] we define two maps: $\varphi_1 : A \rightarrow M(A)$ by $\varphi_1(a) = a^-$ and $\varphi_2 : A \rightarrow M(A)$ by $\varphi_2(a) = a^\sim$.

Let $X \subseteq A$. Write $X^- = \varphi_1(X)$ and $X^\sim = \varphi_2(X)$. It is obvious that

$$X^- = \{a^- : a \in X\},$$

$$X^\sim = \{a^\sim : a \in X\}.$$

Set

$$X_\sim = \{a : a^\sim \in X\},$$

$$X_- = \{a : a^- \in X\}.$$

If $X \subseteq M(A)$, then $\varphi_1^{-1}(X) = X_-$ and $\varphi_2^{-1}(X) = X_\sim$.

Following [8] we have

Proposition 3.4. *If F is a filter of A and I is an ideal of $M(A)$, then:*

- (i) F^- and F^\sim are ideals of $M(A)$;
- (ii) I_- and I_\sim are filters of A ;
- (iii) if I is proper, then I_- and I_\sim are proper filters of A ;
- (iv) if F is proper, then F^- and F^\sim are proper ideals of $M(A)$;

- (v) $F \subseteq (F^-)_-$ and $F \subseteq (F^\sim)_\sim$;
- (vi) if F is an ultrafilter, then $(F^-)_- = (F^\sim)_\sim = F$;
- (vii) $(I_\sim)^\sim = (I_-)^- = I$;
- (viii) if I is maximal, then I_- and I_\sim are ultrafilters of A ;
- (ix) if F is an ultrafilter, then F^-, F^\sim are maximal ideals of $M(A)$.

Proposition 3.5. *Let F be a filter of A . Then $F^- = F_-^*$ and $F^\sim = F_\sim^*$.*

Proof. Let $b \in F^-$. Then $b = a^-$, where $a \in F$. Obviously, $b^\sim = (a^-)^\sim$. Since $a \leq (a^-)^\sim$, $a \in F$ and F is a filter, we have $b^\sim \in F$ and hence $b \in F_-^*$.

Conversely, let $b \in F_-^*$. Then $b^\sim \in F$. So we have $(b^\sim)^- \in F^-$. Since $b \leq (b^\sim)^-$, $(b^\sim)^- \in F^-$ and F^- is an ideal, we have $b \in F^-$.

Similarly we can show that $F^\sim = F_\sim^*$. ■

From Propositions 2.5 and 3.5 we obtain

Corollary 3.6. *Let F be a filter of A . Then $F^- = F_\sim$ and $F^\sim = F_-$.*

Proposition 3.7. *Let I be an ideal of $M(A)$. Then $I^- = M(A) \cap I_\sim$ and $I^\sim = M(A) \cap I_-$.*

Proof. Let $b \in I^-$. Then $b = a^-$, where $a \in I$. Hence $b^\sim = (a^-)^\sim$. Since $I \subseteq M(A)$ and $a \in I$, we have $b^\sim = a$. Therefore $b^\sim \in I$. Consequently $b \in I_\sim$. By Proposition 3.2 (ii), $b = a^- \in M(A)$. We obtain that $b \in M(A) \cap I_\sim$.

Conversely, let $b \in M(A) \cap I_\sim$. Then $b \in M(A)$ and $b \in I_\sim$, i.e., $b \in M(A)$ and $b^\sim \in I$. Hence $b = (b^\sim)^- \in I^-$.

Similarly we can prove that $I^\sim = M(A) \cap I_-$. ■

Proposition 3.8. $(\text{Rad}M(A))_- = (\text{Rad}M(A))_\sim = \mathcal{M}(A)$.

Proof. Let us notice that:

$$\begin{aligned}
a \notin \mathcal{M}(A) &\Leftrightarrow a \notin \bigcap_{F \in \text{Max } A} F \Leftrightarrow \exists F \in \text{Max } A \ a \notin F \Leftrightarrow \\
&\Leftrightarrow \exists F \in \text{Max } A \ a \notin (F^\sim)^\sim \Leftrightarrow \exists F \in \text{Max } A \ a^\sim \notin F^\sim \Leftrightarrow \\
&\Leftrightarrow \exists I = F^\sim \in \text{Max}(M(A)) \ a^\sim \notin I \Leftrightarrow a^\sim \notin \text{Rad}M(A) \Leftrightarrow \\
&\Leftrightarrow a \notin (\text{Rad}M(A))^\sim.
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we can prove that $(\text{Rad}M(A))_- = \mathcal{M}(A)$. ■

Proposition 3.9. $\text{Rad}M(A) = (\mathcal{M}(A))^- = (\mathcal{M}(A))^\sim$.

Proof. $\text{Rad}M(A)$ is an ideal. By Proposition 3.4 (vii) $\text{Rad}M(A) = ((\text{Rad}M(A))_-)^-$. From Proposition 3.8 we obtain $\text{Rad}M(A) = (\mathcal{M}(A))^-$. Similarly, $\text{Rad}M(A) = (\mathcal{M}(A))^\sim$. ■

Corollary 3.10.

- (i) $((\mathcal{M}(A))^-)_- = ((\mathcal{M}(A))^\sim)^\sim = \mathcal{M}(A)$,
- (ii) $((\text{Rad}M(A))_-)^- = ((\text{Rad}M(A))^\sim)^\sim = \text{Rad}M(A)$.

Proof. By Propositions 3.8 and 3.9 $((\mathcal{M}(A))^-)_- = (\text{Rad}M(A))_- = \mathcal{M}(A)$ and $((\mathcal{M}(A))^\sim)^\sim = (\text{Rad}M(A))^\sim = \mathcal{M}(A)$.

- (ii) Follows from Proposition 3.4 (vii). ■

Proposition 3.11. *If $M(A)$ is bipartite by I , then $I_- = I_\sim$.*

Proof. By assumption, $M(A) = I \cup I^\sim = I \cup I^-$. Hence $I^- = M(A) - I = I^\sim$.

Let $a \in I_\sim$, then $a^\sim \in I$, which implies $(a^\sim)^- = (a^-)^\sim \in I^- = I^\sim$. Hence $(a^-)^\sim = b^\sim$ for some $b \in I$. Since $b \in M(A)$, we conclude that $b = (b^\sim)^- = [(a^-)^\sim]^- = a^-$. Therefore $a^- \in I$. Thus $a \in I_-$. We have $I_\sim \subseteq I_-$. Similarly we can show that $I_- \subseteq I_\sim$. Consequently, $I_- = I_\sim$. ■

Proposition 3.12. *If A is bipartite by F , then $F^- = F^\sim$.*

Proof. Let F be an ultrafilter such that $A = F \cup F_-^* = F \cup F_{\sim}^*$. By Proposition 2.7, $F_{\sim}^* = F_-^* = A - F$. Then from Proposition 3.5 we have $F^- = F_{\sim}^-$. ■

Theorem 3.13. *A good pseudo BL-algebra A is bipartite iff $M(A)$ is a bipartite pseudo MV-algebra.*

Proof. Let A be bipartite, i.e. there exists an ultrafilter F such that $A = F \cup F_-^* = F \cup F_{\sim}^*$. Then we have $M(A) = (F \cap M(A)) \cup F^-$.

By Propositions 3.4 and 3.7, $F \cap M(A) = (F^-)_- \cap M(A) = (F^-)_{\sim}$.

So we obtain, $M(A) = (F^-)_{\sim} \cup F^-$ and by Proposition 3.4 (ix), F^- is a maximal ideal of $M(A)$. From Propositions 3.4, 3.7 and 3.12 we have $F \cap M(A) = (F_{\sim})_{\sim} \cap M(A) = (F_{\sim})^- = (F^-)^-$. Then we have $M(A) = (F \cap M(A)) \cup F^- = (F^-)^- \cup F^-$, thus $M(A)$ is bipartite.

Conversely, let $M(A) = I \cup I_{\sim} = I \cup I^-$, where I is a maximal ideal of $M(A)$. Now we prove that

$$(1) \quad \forall a \in A [a \in I_- \text{ or } (a_{\sim} \in I_- \text{ and } a^- \in I_-)]$$

holds. Suppose $a \notin I_- = I_{\sim}$ (see Proposition 3.11) we have $a_{\sim} \notin I$. Hence $a_{\sim} \in I_{\sim}$. Then $a_{\sim} \in I_-$, by Proposition 3.7. Thus (1) satisfied. I_- is proper due to Proposition 3.4 (iii). Applying Proposition 2.7 we get $A = I_- \cup (I_-)_{\sim}^* = I_- \cup (I_-)_-$ where, by Proposition 3.4 (viii), I_- is an ultrafilter of A . ■

Corrolary 3.14.

- (i) *If $M(A)$ is a strongly bipartite pseudo MV-algebra, then $I_- = I_{\sim}$ for any maximal ideal I of $M(A)$.*
- (ii) *If A is strongly bipartite pseudo BL-algebra, then $F^- = F_{\sim}$ for any ultrafilter F of A .*

Proof. By Propositions 3.11 and 3.12. ■

Theorem 3.15. *A good pseudo BL-algebra A is strongly bipartite iff $M(A)$ is a strongly bipartite pseudo MV-algebra.*

Proof. Let A be a strongly bipartite pseudo BL-algebra and suppose that $M(A)$ is not strongly bipartite. Then there exists a maximal ideal I of $M(A)$ such that $M(A) \neq I \cup I^-$ or $M(A) \neq I \cup I^\sim$. Without loss of generality we can assume that there is $a_0 \in M(A) - (I \cup I^-)$. Let $F = I_-$. By Proposition 3.4 (viii), F is an ultrafilter of A . From Proposition 3.4 (viii) and Corollary 3.14 we have $I = (I_-)^- = (I_-)^\sim$. Observe that

$$(2) \quad a \in M(A) - I \Rightarrow a^- \notin I_-.$$

Indeed, suppose that $a \in M(A) - I$ and $a^- \in I_-$. Then $a = (a^-)^\sim \in (I_-)^\sim = I$, a contradiction. Thus (2) holds. Since $a_0 \in M(A) - I$, we conclude that $a_0^- \notin I_-$. It is easy to see that $a_0^\sim \notin I$. Applying (2) yields $a_0 = (a_0^\sim)^- \notin I_-$. Consequently, $a_0 \notin F$ and $a_0^- \notin F$. By Propositions 2.7 and 2.10, A is not strongly bipartite. A contradiction.

Conversely, let $M(A)$ be a strongly bipartite pseudo MV-algebra and A is not bipartite. Then there exists an ultrafilter F of A such that

$$\exists_{a \in A} [a \notin F \text{ and } (a^- \notin F \text{ or } a^\sim \notin F)].$$

Suppose that $b, b^- \notin F$. Let $I = F^-$. Then I is a maximal ideal of $M(A)$, by Proposition 3.4 (ix). From Proposition 3.2 we see that $b^- \in M(A)$. Observe that $b^- \notin I$. Indeed, $b \notin F = (F^-)^-$ and hence $b^- \notin F^- = I$. Since $I_- = (F^-)_- = F$ (see Proposition 3.4) and $b^- \notin F$, we have $b^- \notin I_-$ and hence $b^- \notin M(A) \cap I_- = I^\sim$. Thus $b^- \in M(A) - (I \cup I^\sim)$. Therefore $M(A) \neq I \cup I^\sim$. It is a contradiction. ■

Corollary 3.16. *Let A be strongly bipartite. Then:*

- (a) $T(M(A))_- = (T(M(A)))^\sim = S(A)$,
- (b) $(S(A))^- = (S(A))^\sim = T(M(A))$.

Proof. (a) By Theorem 3.15, $M(A)$ is a strongly bipartite pseudo MV-algebra and hence $T(M(A)) = \text{Rad}M(A)$ (see Proposition 2.15). Applying Propositions 3.8 and 2.10 we obtain

$$(T(M(A)))_- = (\text{Rad}M(A))_- = \mathcal{M}(A) = S(A).$$

Similarly, $(T(M(A)))_{\sim} = S(A)$.

(b) From the proof of (a) and by Proposition 3.4 (vii) we have

$$(S(A))^{-} = ((\text{Rad}M(A))_{-})^{-} = \text{Rad}M(A) = T(M(A))$$

and similarly, $(S(A))_{\sim} = T(M(A))$. ■

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