

# Pseudo-BL Algebras and $PD$ -posets

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## Abstract

Pseudo-difference posets (for short,  $PD$ -posets) have been introduced as a new quantum logic structure. In this paper, the connections between  $PD$ -posets and pseudo-BL algebras are investigated.

**Keywords:**  $PD$ -poset, pseudo-BL algebra.

## 1. Introduction

In order to establish mathematical foundations of quantum mechanics, in 1936, Birkhoff and von Neumann [1] proposed a quantum logic, i.e., an algebraic system describing a propositional system of quantum mechanics. Since then the quantum logic has been extensively investigated by many researchers. In 2001, Dvurecenskij and Vetterlein [3] introduced a quantum structure called the pseudo-effect algebras. Recently, Ma et al. [11], from another point of view, introduced a equivalent quantum structure called  $PD$ -posets as a noncommutative extension of  $D$ -posets [6].

The notion of BL algebras were introduced by Hajek [5] as algebraic structure for his well-known Basic Logic. In order to generalize BL-algebras in a noncommutative form, Di Nola [2] introduced the notion of pseudo-BL algebras.

In [7], we investigated the connections between  $PD$ -posets and pseudo-BCK algebras. In this paper, as a continuation, we investigate the connections between  $PD$ -posets and pseudo-BL algebras. We show that a pseudo-BL algebra is a  $PD$ -poset iff  $x^{\sim} = x^{\sim-} = x$ . Using this result, we obtain some related corollaries.

## 2. Preliminaries

A  $PD$ -poset [11] is a poset  $(PD; \leq, \ominus_l, \ominus_r, 0, 1)$  with a maximum element 1 and a minimum element 0 and two partial binary operations  $\ominus_l$  and  $\ominus_r$  satisfying the following axioms:

(PD1)  $b \ominus_l a$  is defined iff  $b \ominus_r a$  is defined iff  $a \leq b$ .

(PD2)  $b \ominus_l a \leq b, b \ominus_r a \leq b$ .

(PD3)  $a \leq b$  implies  $b \ominus_l (b \ominus_r a) = a$  and  $b \ominus_r (b \ominus_l a) = a$ .

(PD4)  $a \leq b \leq c$  implies  $c \ominus_l b \leq c \ominus_l a$  and  $c \ominus_r b \leq c \ominus_r a$ .

(PD5)  $a \leq b \leq c$  implies  $(c \ominus_l a) \ominus_r (c \ominus_l b) = b \ominus_l a$  and  $(c \ominus_r a) \ominus_l (c \ominus_r b) = b \ominus_r a$ .

(PD6) If  $1 \ominus_r ((1 \ominus_l b) \ominus_l a)$  is defined, then there exist  $d, e \in PD$  such that

$$1 \ominus_r ((1 \ominus_l b) \ominus_l a) = 1 \ominus_r ((1 \ominus_l a) \ominus_l d) = 1 \ominus_r ((1 \ominus_l e) \ominus_l b).$$

If  $1 \ominus_l ((1 \ominus_r b) \ominus_r a)$  is defined, then there exist  $f, g \in PD$  such that

$$1 \ominus_l ((1 \ominus_r b) \ominus_r a) = 1 \ominus_l ((1 \ominus_r a) \ominus_r f) = 1 \ominus_l ((1 \ominus_r g) \ominus_r b).$$

In our previous paper [8], we have showed that (PD6) in the definition of  $PD$ -posets is not independent, since it follows from (PD1)-(PD5). That is we have following Lemma:

**Lemma 2.1** [8]. A poset  $(PD; \leq, \ominus_l, \ominus_r, 0, 1)$  with a maximum element 1 and a minimum element 0, and two partial binary operations  $\ominus_l$  and  $\ominus_r$  is a  $PD$ -poset iff the following hold:

(PD1)  $b \ominus_l a$  is defined iff  $b \ominus_r a$  is defined iff  $a \leq b$ .

(PD2)  $b \ominus_l a \leq b, b \ominus_r a \leq b$ .

(PD3)  $a \leq b$  implies  $b \ominus_l (b \ominus_r a) = a$  and  $b \ominus_r (b \ominus_l a) = a$ .

(PD4)  $a \leq b \leq c$  implies  $c \ominus_l b \leq c \ominus_l a$  and  $c \ominus_r b \leq c \ominus_r a$ .

(PD5)  $a \leq b \leq c$  implies  $(c \ominus_l a) \ominus_r (c \ominus_l b) = b \ominus_l a$  and  $(c \ominus_r a) \ominus_l (c \ominus_r b) = b \ominus_r a$ .

Let  $(PD; \leq, \ominus_l, \ominus_r, 0, 1)$  be a  $PD$ -poset and  $a \in PD$ . Denote by  $a^- = 1 \ominus_l a$  and  $a^{\sim} = 1 \ominus_r a$ .

## 3. Connections with pseudo-BL algebras

A *pseudo-BL algebra* (or call a *right-pseudo-BL algebra*) [2] is a structure  $(A; \vee, \wedge, \oplus, \rightarrow, \leftrightarrow, 0, 1)$  of

type (2,2,2,2,0,0), which satisfies the following axioms, for all  $x, y, z \in A$ :

(RC1)  $(A; \vee, \wedge, 0, 1)$  is a bounded lattice,

(RC2)  $(A; \oplus, 0)$  is a monoid ( $\oplus$  is associative and  $x \oplus 0 = 0 \oplus x = x$ ),

(RC3)  $z \leq x \oplus y$  iff  $y \rightarrow z \leq x$  iff  $x \hookrightarrow z \leq y$ ,

(RC4)  $x \vee y = (x \rightarrow y) \oplus x = x \oplus (x \hookrightarrow y)$ ,

(RC5)  $(x \rightarrow y) \wedge (y \rightarrow x) = (x \hookrightarrow y) \wedge (y \hookrightarrow x) = 0$ .

In a pseudo-BL algebra  $(A; \vee, \wedge, \oplus, \rightarrow, \hookrightarrow, 0, 1)$ , define two negations:  $x^- = x \rightarrow 1, x^{\sim} = x \hookrightarrow 1$  for all  $x \in A$ .

**Lemma 3.1** [4]. In a pseudo-BL algebra  $(A; \vee, \wedge, \oplus, \rightarrow, \hookrightarrow, 0, 1)$ , the following hold:

(i)  $x \leq y$  iff  $y \rightarrow x = 0$  iff  $y \hookrightarrow x = 0$ .

(ii)  $(x \oplus y)^- = x \rightarrow y^-, (x \oplus y)^{\sim} = y \hookrightarrow x^{\sim}$ .

(iii)  $x^{-\sim} \leq x, x^{\sim-} \leq x, x^{-\sim-} = x^-, x^{\sim--} = x^{\sim}$ .

(iv)  $x \leq y \Rightarrow y^- \leq x^-, y^{\sim} \leq x^{\sim}$ .

(v)  $(x \wedge y)^- = x^- \vee y^-, (x \wedge y)^{\sim} = x^{\sim} \vee y^{\sim}, (x \vee y)^- = x^- \wedge y^-, (x \vee y)^{\sim} = x^{\sim} \wedge y^{\sim}$ .

Next, we add some properties of pseudo-BL algebras which are needed in the sequel.

**Lemma 3.2.** In a pseudo-BL algebra  $(A; \vee, \wedge, \oplus, \rightarrow, \hookrightarrow, 0, 1)$ , the following hold:

(i)  $x \hookrightarrow (x \oplus y) \leq y \leq x \oplus (x \hookrightarrow y), y \hookrightarrow (y \oplus x) \leq x \leq y \oplus (y \hookrightarrow x)$ .

(ii)  $y \rightarrow (x \oplus y) \leq x \leq (x \rightarrow y) \oplus x, x \rightarrow (y \oplus x) \leq y \leq (x \rightarrow y) \oplus x$ .

(iii) If  $x \leq y$ , then  $x \oplus z \leq y \oplus z, z \oplus x \leq z \oplus y$ .

(iv) If  $x \leq y$ , then  $z \hookrightarrow x \leq z \hookrightarrow y, z \rightarrow x \leq z \rightarrow y$ .

(v) If  $x \leq y$ , then  $y \hookrightarrow z \leq x \hookrightarrow z, y \rightarrow z \leq x \rightarrow z$ .

(vi)  $0 \rightarrow x = 0 \hookrightarrow x = x$ .

**Proof.** (i) By (RC4),  $x, y \leq x \vee y = x \oplus (x \hookrightarrow y)$ . By (RC3),  $x \hookrightarrow (x \oplus y) \leq y$  iff  $x \oplus y \leq x \oplus y$  and  $y \hookrightarrow (y \oplus x) \leq x$  iff  $y \oplus x \leq y \oplus x$ .

(ii) Similarly.

(iii) By (ii),  $z \rightarrow (x \oplus z) \leq x \leq y$ , and by (RC3), we have  $x \oplus z \leq y \oplus z$ . By (i),  $z \hookrightarrow (z \oplus x) \leq x \leq y$ , and by (RC3), we have  $z \oplus x \leq z \oplus y$ .

(iv) By (i),  $x \leq y \leq z \oplus (z \hookrightarrow y)$ , and by (RC3), we have  $z \hookrightarrow x \leq z \hookrightarrow y$ . By (ii),  $x \leq y \leq (z \rightarrow y) \oplus z$ , and by (RC3), we have  $z \rightarrow x \leq z \rightarrow y$ .

(v) If  $x \leq y$ , by (iii) and (i),  $z \leq x \oplus (x \hookrightarrow z) \leq y \oplus (x \hookrightarrow z)$ , and by (RC3), we have  $y \hookrightarrow z \leq x \hookrightarrow z$ . Similarly, if  $x \leq y$ , by (iii) and (ii),  $z \leq (x \rightarrow z) \oplus x \leq (x \rightarrow z) \oplus y$ , and by (RC3), we have  $y \rightarrow z \leq x \rightarrow z$ .

(vi) By (RC4) and (RC2), we have  $x = 0 \vee x = (0 \rightarrow x) \oplus 0 = 0 \rightarrow x$  and  $x = 0 \vee x = 0 \oplus (0 \hookrightarrow x) = 0 \hookrightarrow x$ .

**Lemma 3.3** [4]. Let  $(A; \vee, \wedge, \oplus, \rightarrow, \hookrightarrow, 0, 1)$  be a pseudo-BL algebra with the property  $x^{-\sim} = x^{\sim-} = x$  for all  $x \in A$ . Define

$$y \odot x = (x^- \oplus y^-)^{\sim} (= (x^{\sim} \oplus y^{\sim})^- = x^{\sim} \rightarrow y = y^- \hookrightarrow x).$$

Then the following hold:

(i)  $y \oplus x = (x^- \odot y^-)^{\sim} = (x^{\sim} \odot y^{\sim})^-$ .

(ii)  $x \vee y = x \oplus (x^{\sim} \odot y) = y \oplus (y^{\sim} \odot x) = (x \odot y^-) \oplus y = (y \odot x^-) \oplus x$ .

(iii)  $x \wedge y = x \odot (x^- \oplus y) = y \odot (y^- \oplus x) = (x \oplus y^{\sim}) \odot y = (y \oplus x^{\sim}) \odot x$ .

Now, we investigate the connections between pseudo-BL algebras and PD-posets.

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $(A; \vee, \wedge, \oplus, \rightarrow, \hookrightarrow, 0, 1)$  be a pseudo-BL algebra. Define two partial binary operations  $\ominus_l$  and  $\ominus_r$  on  $A$  by:  $y \ominus_l x$  is defined iff  $y \ominus_r x$  is defined iff  $x \leq y$ , and in this case

$$y \ominus_l x = x \rightarrow y \quad \text{and} \quad y \ominus_r x = x \hookrightarrow y.$$

Then  $(A; \leq, \ominus_l, \ominus_r, 0, 1)$  is a PD-poset iff  $x^{-\sim} = x^{\sim-} = x$  for all  $x \in A$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that  $(A; \leq, \ominus_l, \ominus_r, 0, 1)$  is a PD-poset. For all  $x \in A$ , by (PD3), we have

$$\begin{aligned} x^{-\sim} &= (x \rightarrow 1) \hookrightarrow 1 = 1 \ominus_r (1 \ominus_l x) = x, \\ x^{\sim-} &= (x \hookrightarrow 1) \rightarrow 1 = 1 \ominus_l (1 \ominus_r x) = x. \end{aligned}$$

Conversely, suppose that  $x^{-\sim} = x^{\sim-} = x$  for all  $x \in A$ .

(i) Since  $0 \leq x$ , by Lemma 3.2 (v) and (vi), we have  $x \hookrightarrow y \leq 0 \hookrightarrow y$  and  $x \rightarrow y \leq 0 \rightarrow y$ , and so  $x \hookrightarrow y \leq y$  and  $x \rightarrow y \leq y$ . Hence

$$y \ominus_l x = x \rightarrow y \leq y, y \ominus_r x = x \hookrightarrow y \leq y.$$

(ii) By Lemma 3.1 (ii) and Lemma 3.3, we have

$$x \hookrightarrow y = (y^- \oplus x)^{\sim} = x^{\sim} \odot y, x \rightarrow y = y \odot x^- = (x \oplus y^{\sim})^-.$$

Hence, if  $x \leq y$ , by Lemma 3.3 (iii), we have

$$\begin{aligned} y \ominus_l (y \ominus_r x) &= (x \hookrightarrow y) \rightarrow y \\ &= (y^- \oplus x)^{\sim} \rightarrow y = y \odot (y^- \oplus x) \\ &= x \wedge y = x, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} y \ominus_r (y \ominus_l x) &= (x \rightarrow y) \hookrightarrow y \\ &= (x \oplus y^{\sim})^- \hookrightarrow y = (x \oplus y^{\sim}) \odot y \\ &= x \wedge y = x. \end{aligned}$$

(iii) If  $x \leq y \leq z$ , by Lemma 3.2 (v), we have

$$\begin{aligned} z \ominus_l y &= y \rightarrow z \leq x \rightarrow z = z \ominus_l x, \\ z \ominus_r y &= y \leftarrow z \leq x \leftarrow z = z \ominus_r x. \end{aligned}$$

(iv) From (ii),  $x \leftrightarrow y = x^{\sim} \odot y$ ,  $x \rightarrow y = y \odot x^{-}$ . If  $x \leq y \leq z$ , by Lemma 3.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (z \ominus_l x) \ominus_r (z \ominus_l y) &= (y \rightarrow z) \leftarrow (x \rightarrow z) \\ &= (z \odot y^{-}) \leftarrow (z \odot x^{-}) = (z \odot y^{-})^{\sim} \odot (z \odot x^{-}) \\ &= (y \oplus z^{\sim}) \odot (z \odot x^{-}) = ((y \oplus z^{\sim}) \odot z) \odot x^{-} \\ &= (y \wedge z) \odot x^{-} = y \odot x^{-} \\ &= x \rightarrow y = y \ominus_l x, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (z \ominus_r x) \ominus_l (z \ominus_r y) &= (y \leftarrow z) \rightarrow (x \leftarrow z) \\ &= (y^{\sim} \odot z) \rightarrow (x^{\sim} \odot z) = (x^{\sim} \odot z) \odot (y^{\sim} \odot z)^{-} \\ &= (x^{\sim} \odot z) \odot (z^{-} \oplus y) = x^{\sim} \odot (z \odot (z^{-} \oplus y)) \\ &= x^{\sim} \odot (z \wedge y) = x^{\sim} \odot y \\ &= x \leftarrow y = y \ominus_r x. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $(A; \leq, \ominus_l, \ominus_r, 0, 1)$  is a  $PD$ -poset as Lemma 2.1. The proof is complete.

In a bounded poset, a chain with upper bound 1 and lower bound 0 is called a *standard chain*. Note that a bounded poset is the union of standard chains.

**Lemma 3.5** [7]. In a  $PD$ -poset, every standard chain is a lattice-ordered, bounded pseudo-BCK algebra.

**Lemma 3.6** [3]. A lattice-ordered, bounded pseudo-BCK algebra coincides with a pseudo-BL algebra with the property  $x^{\sim\sim} = x^{\sim-} = x$ , and coincides with a pseudo-MV algebra.

Combining Theorem 3.4, Lemmas 3.5 and 3.6, we have the following:

**Corollary 3.7.** In a  $PD$ -poset, every standard chain is a pseudo-BL algebra with the property  $x^{\sim\sim} = x^{\sim-} = x$  and a pseudo-MV algebra, respectively.

**Lemma 3.8** [7]. If a  $PD$ -poset  $(PD; \leq, \ominus_l, \ominus_r, 0, 1)$  is a lower semilattice, define two binary operations  $\star$  and  $\circ$  on  $PD$  by

$$\begin{aligned} x \star y &= x \ominus_l (x \wedge y), \\ x \circ y &= x \ominus_r (x \wedge y). \end{aligned}$$

Then  $(PD; \leq, \star, \circ, 0, 1)$  is a lattice-ordered, bounded pseudo-BCK algebra iff  $(x \star y) \circ z =$

$(x \circ z) \star y$  holds for all  $x, y, z \in PD$ .

Combining Theorem 3.4, Lemma 3.6 and 3.8, we have the following:

**Corollary 3.9.** If a  $PD$ -poset  $(PD; \leq, \ominus_l, \ominus_r, 0, 1)$  is a lower semilattice, let  $\star$  and  $\circ$  be two binary operations on  $PD$  defined by  $x \star y = x \ominus_l (x \wedge y)$ ,  $x \circ y = x \ominus_r (x \wedge y)$ . Then the following are equivalent:

(i)  $(x \star y) \circ z = (x \circ z) \star y$  holds for all  $x, y, z \in PD$ .

(ii)  $PD$  is a pseudo-BL algebra with the property  $x^{\sim\sim} = x^{\sim-} = x$ .

(iii)  $PD$  is a pseudo-MV algebra.

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