

## ON WEAK CONGRUENCE ALGEBRAS

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### Abstract

We give necessary and sufficient conditions for a weak partial congruence algebra (of a given algebra) to be an algebra, so-called weak congruence algebra. We also examine some properties of a weak congruence algebra as well as some applications of the obtained results on some classes of algebras.

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1. Let  $A = (A, F)$  be an algebra and  $C \subseteq A$  the set of its constants (if  $C = \emptyset$ , then, we consider the empty set as a subalgebra of  $A$ ).

A weak congruence relation  $\rho$  on  $A$  ([4]) is a symmetric, transitive binary relation on  $A$ , satisfying the usual substitution property (if  $f \in F_n \subseteq F$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , and  $x_i \rho y_i$ ,  $x_i, y_i \in A$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$  then  $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) \rho f(y_1, \dots, y_n)$ ), and a weak reflexivity: if  $c \in C$ , then  $c \rho c$ .

The notion here will be as follows:

$C_\omega(A)$  is the set of all weak congruences on an algebra  $A$ ;

$S(A)$  is the set of all subalgebra of  $A$ ;

$C(A)$  is the set of all congruence on  $A$ ;

$C(B)$  is the set of all congruences on  $B$ , where  $B$  is a subalgebra of  $A$ ;

$C_\omega(A)$  coincides with the lattice of all congruences on subalgebras of  $A$  (under set inclusion), and  $(C_\omega(A), \wedge, \vee)$  is the algebraic lattice (see [4]). Moreover ([4]),  $C(A)$  is a sublattice of  $C_\omega(A)$  (as a filter generated by  $\Delta = \{(x, x) \mid x \in A\}$ ), and  $S(A)$  is a retract of  $C_\omega(A)$  (ideal generated by  $\Delta$ ). Subalgebras are represented in  $C_\omega(A)$  by diagonal relations ( $B \in S(A)$  which correspond to  $d_{B^2} = \{(x, x) \mid x \in B\}$ ). Let  $A$  be an algebra. By its weak partial congruence algebra ([3]) we mean partial algebra.

$$K_\omega(A) = (C_\omega(A), \wedge, \vee, \circ^{-1}, \Delta, \sigma, A^2),$$

where

$$(C_\omega(A), \wedge, \vee) = C_\omega(A),$$

$\circ$  – is the composition of relations (binary partial operation on  $C_\omega(A)$ ,

$^{-1}$  – is the inverse operation for relations,  $\sigma$  – is the diagonal relation corresponding to the least subalgebra of  $S(A)$ .  $K_\omega(A)$  gives more informations about  $A$  than lattice  $C_\omega(A)$ , ([3]).

2. In this part we give necessary and sufficient conditions that a weak partial congruence algebra  $K_\omega(A)$  (of a given algebra  $A$ ) is just an algebra, so - called weak congruence algebra.

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $K_\omega(A)$  be an weak partial congruence algebra. Then, for each  $\theta, \rho \in C_\omega(A)$ :*

*$K_\omega(A)$  is a weak congruence algebra iff it holds  $\theta \circ \rho = \rho \circ \theta$ .*

*Proof.* The same as for (ordinary) ekvivalences and congruences.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.** *A weak partial congruence algebra  $K_\omega(A)$  is weak congruence algebra iff the following is satisfied:*

- (1) *for each  $\theta, \rho \in C(A)$  it holds:  $\theta \circ \rho = \rho \circ \theta$ ;*
- (2) *it holds: either  $S(A) = \{A\}$  or  $S(A) = \{\phi, A\}$ .*

*Proof.* ( $\Rightarrow$ ) For  $\sigma \in C_\omega(A)$  we have either  $\sigma = \Delta$  or ( $\sigma \leq \Delta$  and  $\sigma \neq \Delta$ ).

If  $\sigma = \Delta$  then  $S(A) = \{A\}$  and  $C_\omega(A) = C(A)$ .

If  $(\sigma \leq \Delta$  and  $\sigma \neq \Delta)$  they for each proper subalgebra  $B \in S(A)$  of cardinality  $\geq 1$  there exist  $\theta \in C(B)$  and  $\rho \in C(A)$  such that  $\theta \circ \rho \notin C_\omega(A)$ . Hence  $S(A) = \{\phi, A\}$ .

( $\Leftarrow$ ) If the conditions (1) and (2) weak satisfied then it follows immediately that  $K_\omega(A)$  is a weak congruence algebra.  $\square$

**Corollary 1.** *If  $K_\omega(A)$  is weak congruence algebra then  $C_\omega(A)$  is modular lattice.*

**Remark.** The class of algebras which satisfy the condition (2) from Theorem 2 is not closed for direct product.

3. Let us apply previous results on monounary algebras.

An algebra  $A = (A, f)$  is a monounary algebra iff  $f$  is a unary operation on  $A$ . A monounary algebra  $(A, f)$  is a finite cycle of length  $n \geq 1$  ( $n$  - a nenegative integer) iff  $A = \{a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}\}$  and  $f(a_i) = a_{i+1}$  for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n - 2$ ;  $f(a_{n-1}) = a_0$ .

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $A$  be a monounary algebra. Then  $K_\omega(A)$  is a weak congruence algebra iff  $A$  is finite cycle.*

*Proof.* Propositions follows from the characterization of types of monounary algebras, which have permutable congruence (see T. 1. [2]). Only finite cycles satisfy condition (2) from Theorem 2.  $\square$

Let a lattice  $L = (L, \wedge, \vee, 0, 1)$ . The following holds:

**Theorem 4.**  *$K_\omega(L)$  is a weak congruence algebra iff  $S$  is a twoelement chain.*

*Proof.* By T. 1.5. (see [5]),  $C_\omega(L)$  is modular lattice iff  $L$  is the twoelement chain. Whence by T.2. and C.3. the results follows directy.  $\square$

In order prove the representation theorem it is sufficient to confirm the following hipothetis:

For arbitrary modular algebraic lattice  $L$  there exists an algebra  $A$  with permutable congruences such that

$$C_\omega(A) \cong L.$$

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## REZIME

### O SLABIM KONGRUENCIJSKIM ALGEBRAMA

Daju se potrebni i dovoljni uslovi da slaba parcijalna kongruencijska algebra (za datu algebru) bude algebra, tzv. slaba kongruencijska algebra.

Izučavane su neke osobine slabih kongruencijskih algebri. Data je i primena dobijenih rezultata na neke klase algebri.

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