

Some classes of pseudo-MTL algebras

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Abstract

Pseudo-MTL algebras or weak pseudo-BL algebras are non-commutative fuzzy structures which arise from pseudo-t-norms, namely, pseudo-BL algebras without the pseudo-divisibility condition. The aim of this paper is to investigate the properties of pseudo-BL algebras that also hold for pseudo-MTL algebras. We will also study some classes of pseudo-MTL algebras such as good, local and Archimedean pseudo-MTL algebras and we show that, generally, an Archimedean pseudo-MTL algebra is not commutative. We prove that any locally finite pseudo-MTL algebra is Archimedean.

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1 Introduction

In order to formalize the many-valued logics induced by continuous t-norms on the real unit interval $[0, 1]$, in 1998 P. Hájek introduced a very general many-valued logic, called *Basic Logic* ([14]). It is well known the result that a t-norm has residuum if and only if the t-norm is left-continuous, so this shows that the Basic Logic is not the most general t-norm based logic. In fact, a logic weaker than the Basic Logic, called *Monoidal t-norm based logic* (MTL for short) was defined by Esteva and Godo in [8] and proved in [17] to be the logic of left-continuous t-norms and their residua. Thus, the MTL is indeed the most general t-norm based logic and MTL algebra is an algebraic counterpart of this logic. Pseudo-BL algebras were introduced by G. Georgescu and A. Iorgulescu in [11] as a non-commutative extension of Hájek's BL-algebras. Pseudo-BL algebras are bounded non-commutative residuated lattices $(A, \wedge, \vee, \odot, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 0, 1)$ which satisfy the conditions :

$$\begin{aligned} x \wedge y &= (x \rightarrow y) \odot x = x \odot (x \rightsquigarrow y) && \text{(pseudo-divisibility)} \\ (x \rightarrow y) \vee (y \rightarrow x) &= (x \rightsquigarrow y) \vee (y \rightsquigarrow x) = 1 && \text{(pseudo-prelinearity)}. \end{aligned}$$

Depending on the above conditions, there are two directions to extend pseudo-BL algebras. One direction investigates the (bounded) non-commutative residuated lattices satisfying the pseudo-divisibility condition which were studied under the name *(bounded) divisible pseudo-residuated lattices* in [15] or *(bounded) Rl-monoids* ([7], [19], [21]) and examples in the bounded case are given in [16]. The second direction deals with (bounded) non-commutative residuated lattices with the pseudo-prelinearity condition, that is *pseudo-MTL algebras*. Pseudo-MTL algebras were introduced in [9], under the name *weak pseudo-BL algebras* in order to obtain a structure on $[0, 1]$, since there are not pseudo-BL algebras on $[0, 1]$. They were studied in [15] (including the not-bounded case and the *good* pseudo-MTL algebras) and examples in the bounded case of finite good and not good pseudo-MTL algebras are given in [16].

In this paper we will study some properties for pseudo-BL algebras proved in [5] and [6] which are valid in the case of pseudo-MTL algebras, in other words, some properties of pseudo-BL algebras whose proofs don't need the pseudo-divisibility condition. We will also investigate some special classes of pseudo-MTL algebras, such as good, local and Archimedean pseudo-MTL algebras. It was proved that every locally finite pseudo-MV algebra is commutative ([20]) and that every locally finite pseudo-BL algebra is an MV algebra, so it is commutative ([12]). We show that in the case of pseudo-MTL algebras this fact is not true, namely we will give an example of locally finite pseudo-MTL algebra which is not commutative. Finally, we prove that any locally finite pseudo-MTL algebra is Archimedean.

2 Pseudo-MTL algebras and their basic properties

Definition 2.1. *A pseudo-MTL algebra is an algebra $\mathcal{A} = (A, \wedge, \vee, \odot, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 0, 1)$ of the type $(2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 0, 0)$ satisfying the following conditions:*

- (M₁) $(A, \wedge, \vee, 0, 1)$ is a bounded lattice;
- (M₂) $(A, \odot, 1)$ is a monoid;
- (M₃) $x \odot y \leq z$ iff $x \leq y \rightarrow z$ iff $y \leq x \rightsquigarrow z$ for any $x, y, z \in A$;
- (M₄) $(x \rightarrow y) \vee (y \rightarrow x) = (x \rightsquigarrow y) \vee (y \rightsquigarrow x) = 1$ (pseudo-prelinearity).

Remark 2.2. (1) *If additionally for any $x, y \in A$ the structure \mathcal{A} satisfies the axiom:*

$$(M_5) \quad (x \rightarrow y) \odot x = x \odot (x \rightsquigarrow y) = x \wedge y \quad \text{(pseudo-divisibility)}$$

then A is a pseudo-BL algebra.

(2) *If A satisfies the conditions (M₁), (M₂), (M₃) and (M₅), then it is a bounded divisible residuated lattice ([15], [16]). These structures were also studied under the name bounded Rl-monoids ([7], [19], [21]).*

A is called *commutative* if the operation \odot is commutative. In this case $\rightarrow = \rightsquigarrow$ and thus, a commutative pseudo-MTL algebra is a MTL algebra.

A totally ordered (linear ordered) pseudo-MTL algebra is called *chain*.

In the sequel we will agree that the operations \wedge, \vee, \odot have higher priority than the operations $\rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow$.

A pseudo-MTL algebra \mathcal{A} will be also referred by its universe A .

Example 2.3. Let's consider $A = \{0, a, b, c, 1\}$ with $0 < a < b < c < 1$ and the operations $\odot, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow$ given by the following tables:

\odot	0	a	b	c	1	\rightarrow	0	a	b	c	1	\rightsquigarrow	0	a	b	c	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
a	0	0	0	a	a	a	b	1	1	1	1	a	b	1	1	1	1
b	0	0	0	b	b	b	b	c	1	1	1	b	b	b	1	1	1
c	0	a	a	c	c	c	0	a	b	1	1	c	0	b	b	1	1
1	0	a	b	c	1	1	0	a	b	c	1	1	0	a	b	c	1

Then $\mathcal{A} = (A, \wedge, \vee, \odot, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 0, 1)$ is a pseudo-MTL chain. One can easily prove that \mathcal{A} is not a pseudo-BL algebra, because $(b \rightarrow a) \odot b \neq b \odot (b \rightsquigarrow a)$, so (M_5) doesn't hold.

In a pseudo-MTL algebra $\mathcal{A} = (A, \wedge, \vee, \odot, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 0, 1)$ we define for all $x \in A$: $x^- = x \rightarrow 0$ and $x^\sim = x \rightsquigarrow 0$.

The following proposition provides some rules of calculus in a pseudo-MTL algebra (see [5], [6], [9], [15]).

Proposition 2.4. In any pseudo-MTL algebra A the following rules of calculus hold:

- (c₁) $x \rightarrow (y \rightarrow z) = (x \odot y) \rightarrow z$ and $x \rightsquigarrow (y \rightsquigarrow z) = (y \odot x) \rightsquigarrow z$;
- (c₂) $x \leq y$ iff $x \rightarrow y = 1$ iff $x \rightsquigarrow y = 1$;
- (c₃) $x \rightarrow x = x \rightsquigarrow x = 1$ and $x \rightarrow 1 = x \rightsquigarrow 1 = 1$;
- (c₄) $0 \rightarrow x = 0 \rightsquigarrow x = 1$;
- (c₅) $x \odot 0 = 0 \odot x = 0$;
- (c₆) $x \odot y \leq x \wedge y$;
- (c₇) $(x \rightarrow y) \odot x \leq y$ and $x \odot (x \rightsquigarrow y) \leq y$;
- (c₈) $x \leq y \rightarrow (x \odot y)$ and $x \leq y \rightsquigarrow (y \odot x)$;
- (c₉) $x \leq y$ implies $x \odot z \leq y \odot z$ and $z \odot x \leq z \odot y$ for any $z \in A$;
- (c₁₀) $(x \rightarrow y) \odot x \leq x \wedge y$ and $x \odot (x \rightsquigarrow y) \leq x \wedge y$;
- (c₁₁) $(x \rightarrow y) \odot x \leq x \leq y \rightarrow (x \odot y)$ and $(x \rightarrow y) \odot x \leq y \leq x \rightarrow (y \odot x)$;
- (c₁₂) $x \odot (x \rightsquigarrow y) \leq y \leq x \rightsquigarrow (x \odot y)$ and $x \odot (x \rightsquigarrow y) \leq x \leq y \rightsquigarrow (y \odot x)$;
- (c₁₃) if $x \leq y$ then $z \rightarrow x \leq z \rightarrow y$ and $z \rightsquigarrow x \leq z \rightsquigarrow y$;
- (c₁₄) if $x \leq y$ then $y \rightarrow z \leq x \rightarrow z$ and $y \rightsquigarrow z \leq x \rightsquigarrow z$;
- (c₁₅) $1 \rightarrow x = x$ and $1 \rightsquigarrow x = x$;
- (c₁₆) $x \rightarrow y \leq (y \rightarrow z) \rightsquigarrow (x \rightarrow z)$ and $x \rightsquigarrow y \leq (y \rightsquigarrow z) \rightarrow (x \rightsquigarrow z)$;
- (c₁₇) $x \rightarrow y \leq (z \rightarrow x) \rightsquigarrow (z \rightarrow y)$ and $x \rightsquigarrow y \leq (z \rightsquigarrow x) \rightarrow (z \rightsquigarrow y)$;
- (c₁₈) $x \rightarrow (y \rightsquigarrow z) = y \rightsquigarrow (x \rightarrow z)$ and $x \rightsquigarrow (y \rightarrow z) = y \rightarrow (x \rightsquigarrow z)$;
- (c₁₉) $x \rightarrow (x \rightsquigarrow y) = x \rightsquigarrow (x \rightarrow y)$ and $x \rightsquigarrow (x \rightarrow y) = x \rightarrow (x \rightsquigarrow y)$;

- (c₂₀) $x \rightarrow y = x \rightarrow (x \wedge y)$ and $x \rightsquigarrow y = x \rightsquigarrow (x \wedge y)$;
(c₂₁) $y \leq x \rightarrow y$ and $y \leq x \rightsquigarrow y$;
(c₂₂) if $x \leq y$, then $x \leq z \rightarrow y$ and $x \leq z \rightsquigarrow y$;
(c₂₃) $z \odot (x \wedge y) \leq (z \odot x) \wedge (z \odot y)$ and $(x \wedge y) \odot z \leq (x \odot z) \wedge (y \odot z)$;
(c₂₄) $x \rightarrow y \leq (x \odot z) \rightarrow (y \odot z)$ and $x \rightsquigarrow y \leq (z \odot x) \rightsquigarrow (z \odot y)$;
(c₂₅) $(y \rightarrow z) \odot (x \rightarrow y) \leq x \rightarrow z$ and $(x \rightsquigarrow y) \odot (y \rightsquigarrow z) \leq x \rightsquigarrow z$;
(c₂₆) $x \odot (y \rightarrow z) \leq y \rightarrow (x \odot z)$ and $(y \rightsquigarrow z) \odot x \leq y \rightsquigarrow (z \odot x)$;
(c₂₇) $(x_{n-1} \rightarrow x_n) \odot (x_{n-2} \rightarrow x_{n-1}) \odot \dots \odot (x_2 \rightarrow x_3) \odot (x_1 \rightarrow x_2) \leq x_1 \rightarrow x_n$
and
 $(x_1 \rightsquigarrow x_2) \odot (x_2 \rightsquigarrow x_3) \odot \dots \odot (x_{n-1} \rightsquigarrow x_n) \leq x_1 \rightsquigarrow x_n$;
(c₂₈) $(x \rightarrow y) \odot (x' \rightarrow y') \leq (x \vee x') \rightarrow (y \vee y')$ and
 $(x \rightsquigarrow y) \odot (x' \rightsquigarrow y') \leq (x \vee x') \rightsquigarrow (y \vee y')$;
(c₂₉) $(x \rightarrow y) \odot (x' \rightarrow y') \leq (x \wedge x') \rightarrow (y \wedge y')$ and
 $(x \rightsquigarrow y) \odot (x' \rightsquigarrow y') \leq (x \wedge x') \rightsquigarrow (y \wedge y')$;
(c₃₀) $1^- = 1^\sim = 0$ and $0^- = 0^\sim = 1$;
(c₃₁) $x^- \odot x = 0$ and $x \odot x^\sim = 0$;
(c₃₂) $x \leq y^-$ iff $x \odot y = 0$ and $x \leq y^\sim$ iff $y \odot x = 0$;
(c₃₃) $x \leq x^{\sim-}$ and $x \leq x^{\sim\sim}$;
(c₃₄) $x \rightarrow y^- = (x \odot y)^-$ and $x \rightsquigarrow y^\sim = (y \odot x)^\sim$;
(c₃₅) $x \leq y^-$ iff $y \leq x^\sim$;
(c₃₆) if $x \leq y$, then $y^- \leq x^-$ and $y^\sim \leq x^\sim$;
(c₃₇) $x \leq x^\sim \rightarrow y$ and $x \leq x^- \rightsquigarrow y$;
(c₃₈) $x \rightarrow y \leq y^- \rightsquigarrow x^-$ and $x \rightsquigarrow y \leq y^\sim \rightarrow x^\sim$;
(c₃₉) $x \rightarrow y^\sim = y \rightsquigarrow x^-$ and $x \rightsquigarrow y^- = y \rightarrow x^\sim$;
(c₄₀) $x^{\sim\sim} = x^\sim$ and $x^{\sim\sim-} = x^-$;
(c₄₁) $x \rightarrow x^\sim = x \rightsquigarrow x^-$;
(c₄₂) $x \odot (\bigvee_{i \in I} y_i) = \bigvee_{i \in I} (x \odot y_i)$ and $(\bigvee_{i \in I} y_i) \odot x = \bigvee_{i \in I} (y_i \odot x)$;
(c₄₃) $(\bigvee_{i \in I} x_i) \rightarrow y = \bigwedge_{i \in I} (x_i \rightarrow y)$ and $(\bigvee_{i \in I} x_i) \rightsquigarrow y = \bigwedge_{i \in I} (x_i \rightsquigarrow y)$;
(c₄₄) $y \rightarrow (\bigwedge_{i \in I} x_i) = \bigwedge_{i \in I} (y \rightarrow x_i)$ and $y \rightsquigarrow (\bigwedge_{i \in I} x_i) = \bigwedge_{i \in I} (y \rightsquigarrow x_i)$;
(c₄₅) $(x \vee y) \rightarrow (x \wedge y) = (x \rightarrow y) \wedge (y \rightarrow x)$ and
 $(x \vee y) \rightsquigarrow (x \wedge y) = (x \rightsquigarrow y) \wedge (y \rightsquigarrow x)$;
(c₄₆) $(x \vee y)^- = x^- \wedge y^-$ and $(x \vee y)^\sim = x^\sim \wedge y^\sim$;
(c₄₇) $(x \wedge y)^- = x^- \vee y^-$ and $(x \wedge y)^\sim = x^\sim \vee y^\sim$;
(c₄₈) $(x \vee y)^{\sim-} = x^{\sim-} \vee y^{\sim-}$ and $(x \vee y)^{\sim\sim-} = x^{\sim\sim-} \vee y^{\sim\sim-}$;
(c₄₉) $y^- \rightsquigarrow x^- = x^{\sim-} \rightarrow y^{\sim-} = x \rightarrow y^{\sim\sim}$;
(c₅₀) $y^\sim \rightarrow x^\sim = x^{\sim-} \rightsquigarrow y^{\sim-} = x \rightsquigarrow y^{\sim\sim}$.

Corollary 2.5. In any pseudo-MTL algebra we have:

- (c₅₁) $z \odot (x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge \dots \wedge x_n) \leq (z \odot x_1) \wedge (z \odot x_2) \wedge \dots \wedge (z \odot x_n)$ and
 $(x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge \dots \wedge x_n) \odot z \leq (x_1 \odot z) \wedge (x_2 \odot z) \wedge \dots \wedge (x_n \odot z)$.

Proposition 2.6. ([15]) For any $g, h, k \in A$ we have

- (c₅₂) $g \vee (h \odot k) \geq (g \vee h) \odot (g \vee k)$.

Corollary 2.7. (c₅₃) $g \vee (h_1 \odot h_2 \odot \dots \odot h_n) \geq (g \vee h_1) \odot (g \vee h_2) \odot \dots \odot (g \vee h_n)$.

Proposition 2.8. ([9]) *In any pseudo-MTL algebra the following properties hold:*

$$(c_{54}) \quad x \vee y = [(x \rightsquigarrow y) \rightarrow y] \wedge [(y \rightarrow x) \rightsquigarrow x];$$

$$(c_{55}) \quad x \vee y = [(x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y] \wedge [(y \rightarrow x) \rightsquigarrow x].$$

Corollary 2.9. *If $x \vee y = 1$, then $x \rightarrow y = x \rightsquigarrow y = y$.*

For any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $x \in A$ we put $x^0 = 1$ and $x^{n+1} = x^n \odot x = x \odot x^n$. The order of $x \in A$, denoted $ord(x)$ is the smallest $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x^n = 0$. If there is no such n , then $ord(x) = \infty$.

Proposition 2.10. *In any pseudo-MTL algebra the following hold:*

$$(1) \text{ if } x \vee y = 1, \text{ then for each } n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 1, x^n \vee y^n = 1;$$

$$(2) (x \rightarrow y)^n \vee (y \rightarrow x)^n = 1 \text{ and } (x \rightsquigarrow y)^n \vee (y \rightsquigarrow x)^n = 1;$$

$$(3) x \vee y^n \geq (x \vee y)^n.$$

Proof: (1) Similarly as in [5], Lemma 2.16;

(2) It follows from (1) and the pseudo-prelinearity condition;

(3) It follows from Corollary 2.7. □

Definition 2.11. *A pseudo-MTL algebra A is locally finite if for any $x \in A$, $x \neq 1$ implies $ord(x) < \infty$.*

Example 2.12. (1) *Consider the pseudo-MTL chain A from Example 2.3.*

Since $ord(c) = \infty$, it follows that A is not locally finite.

(2) *Let's consider $A = \{0, a, b, c, 1\}$ with $0 < a < b < c < 1$ and the operations $\odot, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow$ given by the following tables:*

\odot	0	a	b	c	1	\rightarrow	0	a	b	c	1	\rightsquigarrow	0	a	b	c	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
a	0	0	0	0	a	a	c	1	1	1	1	a	c	1	1	1	1
b	0	0	0	0	b	b	b	c	1	1	1	b	c	c	1	1	1
c	0	0	a	a	c	c	b	c	c	1	1	c	a	c	c	1	1
1	0	a	b	c	1	1	0	a	b	c	1	1	0	a	b	c	1

Then $\mathcal{A} = (A, \wedge, \vee, \odot, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 0, 1)$ is a pseudo-MTL chain. Because $(b \rightarrow a) \odot b = c \odot b = a$ and $b \odot (b \rightsquigarrow a) = b \odot c = 0$, it follows that $(b \rightarrow a) \odot b \neq b \odot (b \rightsquigarrow a)$, so \mathcal{A} is not a pseudo-BL algebra. We have:

$$ord(0) = 1, \quad ord(a) = 2, \quad ord(b) = 2, \quad ord(c) = 3,$$

so A is a locally finite pseudo-MTL algebra.

Remark 2.13. (1) *In [20] is proved that every locally finite pseudo-MV algebra is commutative.*

(2) *In [12] is proved that every locally finite pseudo-BL algebra is an MV algebra, so it is commutative.*

(3) *By the above example we proved that there exist locally finite pseudo-MTL algebras which are not MTL algebras.*

Let $(L, \vee, \wedge, 0, 1)$ be a bounded lattice. Recall (see [13]) that an element $a \in L$ is called *complemented* if there is an element $b \in L$ such that $a \vee b = 1$ and $a \wedge b = 0$; if such element b exists it is called a *complement* of a . We will denote $b = a'$ and the set of all complemented elements in L by $B(L)$. Complements are generally not unique, unless the lattice is distributive. In pseudo-MTL algebras however, although the underlying lattices need not be distributive, the complements are unique.

The next result is proved in [18] for the case of commutative residuated lattices, but the proof is also valid for the non-commutative case.

Lemma 2.14. ([18]) *Let A be a pseudo-MTL algebra. Suppose that $a \in A$ has a complement $b \in A$. Then the following hold:*

- (1) *If c is another complement of a in A , then $c = b$;*
- (2) *$a' = b$ and $b' = a$;*
- (3) *$a^2 = a$.*

Let $B(A)$ the set of all complemented elements of the lattice

$$L(A) = (A, \wedge, \vee, 0, 1).$$

Lemma 2.15. *Let A be a pseudo-MTL algebra. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (a) $x \in B(A)$;
- (b) $x \vee x^- = 1$ and $x \wedge x^- = 0$;
- (c) $x \vee x^\sim = 1$ and $x \wedge x^\sim = 0$.

Proof: (a) \Rightarrow (b). Since $x \in B(A)$, there exists $y \in A$ such that $x \vee y = 1$ and $x \wedge y = 0$. Hence, $x^- = x^- \odot 1 = x^- \odot (x \vee y) = (x^- \odot x) \vee (x^- \odot y) = x^- \odot y$, so $y \geq x^- \odot y = x^-$.

On the other hand, because $y \odot x \leq x \wedge y = 0$ it follows that $y \odot x = 0$, so $y \leq x^-$. Thus, $x^- = y$, that is $x \vee x^- = 1$ and $x \wedge x^- = 0$.

(b) \Rightarrow (a). Obviously.

(a) \Leftrightarrow (c). Similarly as (a) \Leftrightarrow (b). □

Proposition 2.16. *Let A be a pseudo-MTL algebra, $x \in B(A)$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \geq 1$. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (a) $x^n \in B(A)$;
- (b) $x \vee (x^n)^- = 1$ and $x \vee (x^n)^\sim = 1$.

Proof: (a) \Rightarrow (b). Let $x^n \in B(A)$. By Lemma 2.15 we have $x^n \vee (x^n)^- = 1$. Since $x^n \leq x$, we get $1 = x^n \vee (x^n)^- \leq x \vee (x^n)^-$, so $x \vee (x^n)^- = 1$. Similarly, $x \vee (x^n)^\sim = 1$.

(b) \Rightarrow (a). Since $x \vee (x^n)^- = 1$, by Proposition 2.10(1) we have $x^n \vee ((x^n)^-)^n = 1$. Because $((x^n)^-)^n \leq (x^n)^-$, we get $1 = x^n \vee ((x^n)^-)^n \leq x^n \vee (x^n)^-$, so $x^n \in B(A)$.

$$(x^n)^- = 1.$$

Similarly, $x^n \vee (x^n)^\sim = 1$, so $(x^n)^- \wedge (x^n)^\sim^- = 0$.

Because $x^n \leq (x^n)^\sim^-$ we get $(x^n)^- \wedge x^n \leq (x^n)^- \wedge (x^n)^\sim^- = 0$, so $(x^n)^- \wedge x^n = 0$.
From $x^n \vee (x^n)^- = 1$ and $x^n \wedge (x^n)^- = 0$ it follows that $x^n \in B(A)$. \square

Proposition 2.17. ([4]) *If $x \in A$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \geq 1$ such that $x^n \in B(A)$ and $x^n \geq x^- \vee x^\sim$, then $x = 1$.*

3 Lattice of filters of a pseudo-MTL algebra

Recall that a nonempty subset F of a lattice L is a filter of L if it satisfies the conditions: (i) $x, y \in F$ implies $x \wedge y \in F$ and (ii) $x \in F$, $y \in L$, $x \leq y$ implies $y \in F$.

Definition 3.1. *Let A be a pseudo-MTL algebra. A nonempty set F of A is called filter of A if the following conditions hold:*

- (F₁) *If $x, y \in F$, then $x \odot y \in F$;*
- (F₂) *If $x \in F$, $y \in A$, $x \leq y$, then $y \in F$.*

We will denote by $\mathcal{F}(A)$ the set of all filters of A .

Remark 3.2. *If F is a filter of A , then:*

- (F₃) *$1 \in F$;*
- (F₄) *If $x \in F$, $y \in A$, then $y \rightarrow x \in F$, $y \rightsquigarrow x \in F$;*
- (F₅) *If $x, y \in F$, then $x \wedge y \in F$.*

Example 3.3. *The subset $F = \{c, 1\}$ of the pseudo-MTL chain A from Example 2.3 is a filter of A .*

Remark 3.4. *Any filter of A is a filter for the lattice (A, \vee, \wedge) , but the converse is not true. Indeed, let F be a filter of a pseudo-MTL algebra A and $x, y \in A$. Since $x \odot y \in F$ and $x \odot y \leq x \wedge y$, we get $x \wedge y \in F$, so F is a filter of the lattice (A, \vee, \wedge) .*

Let's consider the Example 2.12 and $F = \{c, 1\}$. One can easily prove that F is a filter of the lattice (A, \vee, \wedge) , but F is not a filter of the pseudo-MTL algebra A .

Proposition 3.5. ([5]) *For a subset F of A the following are equivalent:*

- (a) *F is a filter of A ;*
- (b) *$1 \in A$ and if $x, x \rightarrow y \in A$, then $y \in A$;*
- (c) *$1 \in F$ and if $x, x \rightsquigarrow y \in A$, then $y \in A$.*

Definition 3.6. *A filter F of A is proper if $F \neq A$.*

Remark 3.7. *If F is a proper filter, then $0 \notin F$.*

Proposition 3.8. ([12]) *If A is a pseudo-MTL algebra, then the sets*

$$A_0^- = \{x \in A \mid x^- = 0\} \text{ and } A_0^\sim = \{x \in A \mid x^\sim = 0\}$$

are proper filters of A .

Definition 3.9. *For every subset $X \subseteq A$, the smallest filter of A containing X (i.e. the intersection of all filters $F \in \mathcal{F}(A)$ such that $X \subseteq F$) is called the filter generated by X and will be denoted by $[X]$.*

Lemma 3.10. ([12]) *Let A be a pseudo-MTL algebra and $x, y \in A$. Then:*

- (1) $[x]$ is proper iff $\text{ord}(x) = \infty$;
- (2) if $x \leq y$ and $\text{ord}(y) < \infty$, then $\text{ord}(x) < \infty$;
- (3) if $x \leq y$ and $\text{ord}(x) = \infty$, then $\text{ord}(y) = \infty$.

Proposition 3.11. ([5]) *If $X \subseteq A$, then*

$$[X] = \{y \in A \mid y \geq x_1 \odot x_2 \odot \cdots \odot x_n \text{ for some } n \geq 1 \text{ and } x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X\}.$$

Proposition 3.12. ([5]) *If $X \subseteq A$, then*

$$\begin{aligned} [X] &= \{y \in A \mid x_1 \rightarrow (x_2 \rightarrow (\dots (x_n \rightarrow y)) \dots) = 1 \\ &\quad \text{for some } n \geq 1 \text{ and } x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X\} = \\ &= \{y \in A \mid x_1 \rightsquigarrow (x_2 \rightsquigarrow (\dots (x_n \rightsquigarrow y)) \dots) = 1 \\ &\quad \text{for some } n \geq 1 \text{ and } x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X\}. \end{aligned}$$

Remark 3.13. ([5]) (1) *If X is a filter of A , then $[X] = X$;*

(2) *If $X = \{x\}$ we write $[x]$ instead of $[\{x\}]$ and $[x] = \{y \in X \mid y \geq x^n \text{ for some } n \geq 1\}$. $[x]$ is called principal filter.*

(3) *If F is a filter of A and $x \in A$, then*

$F(x) = [F \cup \{x\}] = \{y \in A \mid y \geq (f_1 \odot x^{n_1}) \odot (f_2 \odot x^{n_2}) \odot \cdots \odot (f_m \odot x^{n_m}) \text{ for some } m \geq 1, n_1, n_2, \dots, n_m \geq 0, f_1, f_2, \dots, f_m \in F\}$.

If F_1 and F_2 are filters of A , we define $F_1 \wedge F_2 = F_1 \cap F_2$ and $F_1 \vee F_2 = [F_1 \cup F_2]$.

Proposition 3.14. ([5],[4]) *In any pseudo-MTL algebra A the following hold:*

- (1) *If F is a filter of A and $x \in A \setminus F$, then $F(x) = F \vee [x]$;*
- (2) $[x]$ is a proper filter iff $\text{ord}(x) = \infty$;
- (3) $[x \vee y] = [x] \cap [y]$;
- (4) *If $x \leq y$, then $[y] \subseteq [x]$;*
- (5) $[x] \vee [y] = [x \vee y] = [x \odot y]$;
- (6) $[x \odot y] = [y \odot x]$;
- (7) $[x \rightarrow y] \vee [x] = [x \rightsquigarrow y] \vee [x]$.

Proposition 3.15. ([4]) *If F_1, F_2 are nonempty subsets of A such that $1 \in F_1 \cap F_2$, then $F_1 \vee F_2 = [F_1 \cup F_2] = \{x \in A \mid x \geq (f_1 \odot f'_1) \odot (f_2 \odot f'_2) \odot \cdots \odot (f_n \odot f'_n) \text{ for some } n \geq 1, f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n \in F_1, f'_1, f'_2, \dots, f'_n \in F_2\}$.*

Definition 3.16. ([3]) Let $\mathcal{L} = (L, \wedge, \vee)$ be a lattice.

(i) For every $y, z \in L$, the relative pseudocomplement of y with respect to z , provided it exists, is the greatest element x such that $x \wedge y \leq z$. It is denoted by $y \Rightarrow z$ (i.e. $y \Rightarrow z = \max\{x \mid x \wedge y \leq z\}$).

(ii) \mathcal{L} is said to be relatively pseudocomplemented provided the relative pseudocomplement $y \Rightarrow z$ exists for every $y, z \in L$.

(iii) A Heyting algebra is a relatively pseudocomplemented lattice with 0 , i.e. a bounded one.

If \mathcal{L} is a relatively pseudocomplemented lattice, then \Rightarrow can be viewed as a binary operation on L and there exists the greatest element, 1 , of the lattice : $1 = x \Rightarrow x$ for all $x \in L$. Consequently, we have the following equivalent definition, with $\odot = \wedge$:

Definition 3.17. (1) A relatively pseudocomplemented lattice is an algebra $\mathcal{L} = (L, \wedge, \vee, \Rightarrow, 1)$, where $(L, \wedge, \vee, 1)$ is a lattice with greatest element and the binary operation \Rightarrow on L verifies : for all $x, y, z \in L, x \leq y \Rightarrow z$ if and only if $x \wedge y \leq z$.

(1') A Heyting algebra is a duplicate name for bounded relatively pseudocomplemented lattice. For any $x \in L$, the element $x^* = x \Rightarrow 0$ is called the pseudocomplement of x .

Remark 3.18. (1) ([1], [3]) A Brouwer algebra is the dual of a Heyting algebra (\vee instead of \wedge , \geq instead of \leq , $y \rightarrow z = \min\{x \mid z \leq x \vee y\}$ instead of $y \Rightarrow z$).

(2) Recall that Gödel algebras are Heyting algebras verifying the condition $(x \Rightarrow y) \vee (y \Rightarrow x) = 1$ and that the Gödel t -norm and its associated residuum (implication) on $[0, 1]$ are :

$$x \odot_G y = \min(x, y) = x \wedge y, \quad x \rightarrow_G y = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x \leq y \\ y, & \text{if } x > y, \end{cases} \quad (\text{Gödel implication}).$$

Note also that a proper Heyting algebra (i.e. which is not a Gödel algebra) is not linearly ordered.

Theorem 3.19. ([2]) A complete lattice is a Heyting algebra if and only if it satisfies the identity

$$a \wedge \left(\bigvee_{i \in I} b_i \right) = \bigvee_{i \in I} (a \wedge b_i).$$

Theorem 3.20. ([4]) $(\mathcal{F}(A), \wedge, \vee, \Rightarrow, \{1\}, A)$ is a complete Heyting algebra, that is

$$F \wedge \left(\bigvee_{i \in I} G_i \right) = \bigvee_{i \in I} (F \wedge G_i)$$

for any filter F and for any family of filters $\{G_i\}_{i \in I}$ of A .

Definition 3.21. A filter H of A is called normal if for any $x, y \in A$

$$(N) \quad x \rightarrow y \in H \quad \text{iff} \quad x \rightsquigarrow y \in H.$$

We will denote by $\mathcal{F}_n(A)$ the set of all normal filters of A .

Remark 3.22. *It is obvious that for any pseudo-MTL algebra A :*

- (1) $\{1\}$ and A are normal filters of A ;
- (2) $\mathcal{F}_n(A) \subseteq \mathcal{F}(A)$.

Example 3.23. *Let us consider the filter $F = \{c, 1\}$ of the pseudo-MTL chain A from Example 2.3. Since $b \rightarrow a = c \in F$ and $b \rightsquigarrow a = b \notin F$, it follows that F is not a normal filter of A .*

Example 3.24. ([16]) *Let's consider $A = \{0, a, b, c, 1\}$ with $0 < a < b < c < 1$ and the operations $\odot, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow$ given by the following tables:*

\odot	0	a	b	c	1	\rightarrow	0	a	b	c	1	\rightsquigarrow	0	a	b	c	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
a	0	a	a	a	a	a	0	1	1	1	1	a	0	1	1	1	1
b	0	a	a	b	b	b	0	c	1	1	1	b	0	b	1	1	1
c	0	a	a	c	c	c	0	a	b	1	1	c	0	b	b	1	1
1	0	a	b	c	1	1	0	a	b	c	1	1	0	a	b	c	1

Then $\mathcal{A} = (A, \wedge, \vee, \odot, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 0, 1)$ is a pseudo-MTL chain. Since $(c \rightarrow b) \odot c = b \odot c = b \neq a = c \odot b = c \odot (c \rightsquigarrow b)$, it follows that \mathcal{A} is not a pseudo-BL algebra. It is easy to check that $H = \{a, b, c, 1\}$ is a normal filter of A .

Remark 3.25. ([6]) *Let H be a normal filter of A . Then:*

- (1) $x^- \in H$ iff $x^\sim \in H$;
- (2) $x \in H$ implies $(x^-)^- \in H$ and $(x^\sim)^\sim \in H$.

Remark 3.26. *In the case of a pseudo-BL algebra A , it is proved that a filter H is normal if and only if $x \odot H = H \odot x$ for any $x \in A$ ([6]). This equality doesn't hold in the case of pseudo-MTL algebras as we can see from Example 3.24. Indeed, in this case we have $c \odot H = \{a, c\}$ and $H \odot c = \{a, b, c\}$, so $c \odot H \neq H \odot c$.*

Lemma 3.27. *Let H be a normal filter of A . Then:*

- (1) For any $x \in A$ and $h \in H$ there is $h' \in H$ such that $x \odot h \geq h' \odot x$;
- (2) For any $x \in A$ and $h \in H$ there is $h' \in H$ such that $h \odot x \geq x \odot h'$.

Proof: (1) Let $y = x \odot h$. Then $x \odot h = y = x \wedge y \geq (x \rightarrow y) \odot x$.

But $h \leq x \rightsquigarrow x \odot h = x \rightsquigarrow y$. Since $h \in H$, it follows that $x \rightsquigarrow y \in H$.

Because H is a normal filter we have $h' = x \rightarrow y \in H$. Thus $x \odot h \geq h' \odot x$.

(2) Let $y = h \odot x$. Then $h \odot x = y = x \wedge y \geq x \odot (x \rightsquigarrow y)$. But $h \leq x \rightarrow h \odot x = x \rightarrow y$. Since $h \in H$, it follows that $x \rightarrow y \in H$. Because H is a normal filter we have $h' = x \rightsquigarrow y \in H$. Thus $h \odot x \geq x \odot h'$. \square

Proposition 3.28. *Let H be a normal filter of A and $x \in A$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} H(x) = [H \cup \{x\}] &= \{y \in A \mid y \geq h \odot x^n \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{N}, h \in H\} \\ &= \{y \in A \mid y \geq x^n \odot h \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{N}, h \in H\} \\ &= \{y \in A \mid x^n \rightarrow y \in H \text{ for some } n \geq 1\} \\ &= \{y \in A \mid x^n \rightsquigarrow y \in H \text{ for some } n \geq 1\}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof: Let $y \in H(x)$. Then $y \geq (h_1 \odot x^{n_1}) \odot (h_2 \odot x^{n_2}) \odot \cdots \odot (h_m \odot x^{n_m})$ for some $m \geq 1$, $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_m \geq 0$, $h_1, h_2, \dots, h_m \in H$, by Remark 3.13(3).

If $m = 1$, then $y \geq h_1 \odot x^{n_1}$ and we take $h = h_1$ and $n = n_1$.

If $m = 2$, then $y \geq (h_1 \odot x^{n_1}) \odot (h_2 \odot x^{n_2}) = h_1 \odot (x^{n_1} \odot h_2) \odot x^{n_2}$.

According to Lemma 3.27, there is $h'_2 \in H$ such that $x^{n_1} \odot h_2 \geq h'_2 \odot x^{n_1}$.

Hence, $y \geq h_1 \odot (h'_2 \odot x^{n_1}) \odot x^{n_2} = (h_1 \odot h'_2) \odot x^{n_1+n_2}$ and we take $h = h_1 \odot h'_2$ and $n = n_1 + n_2$. By induction we get $y \geq h \odot x^n$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $h \in H$.

Similarly, $y \geq x^n \odot h$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $h \in H$. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} H(x) &= \{y \in A \mid y \geq h \odot x^n \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{N}, h \in H\} = \\ &= \{y \in A \mid y \geq x^n \odot h \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{N}, h \in H\}. \end{aligned}$$

If $y \in H(x)$, then $h \odot x^n \leq y$ for some $n \geq 1$, $h \in H$. Thus, $h \leq x^n \rightarrow y$, hence $x^n \rightarrow y \in H$.

Conversely, assume that $h = x^n \rightarrow y \in H$ for some $n \geq 1$.

We also have $(h \odot x^n) \rightarrow y = h \rightarrow (x^n \rightarrow y) = h \rightarrow h = 1$, hence $h \odot x^n \leq y$.

Therefore, $y \in H(x)$ and we conclude that

$$H(x) = \{y \in L \mid x^n \rightarrow y \in H \text{ for some } n \geq 1\}.$$

Similarly, $H(x) = \{y \in A \mid x^n \rightsquigarrow y \in H \text{ for some } n \geq 1\}$.

Note that the last two equalities are also proved in [6], Lemma 1.12 for the case of pseudo-BL algebras. \square

Proposition 3.29. *If $F_1, F_2 \in \mathcal{F}_n(A)$ then,*

$$F_1 \vee F_2 = [F_1 \cup F_2] = \{x \in A \mid x \geq u \odot v \text{ for some } u \in F_1, v \in F_2\}.$$

Proof: By Proposition 3.15 we have:

$F_1 \vee F_2 = [F_1 \cup F_2] = \{x \in A \mid x \geq (f_1 \odot f'_1) \odot (f_2 \odot f'_2) \odot \cdots \odot (f_n \odot f'_n) \text{ for some } n \geq 1, f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n \in F_1, f'_1, f'_2, \dots, f'_n \in F_2\}$.

Put $f = (f_1 \odot f'_1) \odot (f_2 \odot f'_2) \odot \cdots \odot (f_n \odot f'_n) = f_1 \odot (f'_1 \odot f_2) \odot \cdots \odot (f'_{n-1} \odot f_n) \odot f'_n$. By Lemma 3.27, there is $f''_2 \in F_2$ such that $f'_1 \odot f_2 \geq f_2 \odot f''_2$. Hence,

$$f \geq f_1 \odot f_2 \odot (f''_2 \odot f_3) \odot \cdots \odot (f_n \odot f'_n).$$

Similarly, there is $f''_3 \in F_2$ such that $f''_2 \odot f_3 \geq f_3 \odot f''_3$, so

$$f \geq f_1 \odot f_2 \odot f_3 \odot (f''_3 \odot f_4) \odot \cdots \odot (f_n \odot f'_n).$$

Finally, $f \geq f_1 \odot f_2 \odot f_3 \odot \cdots \odot f_n \odot f_n''$ with $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n \in F_1, f_n'' \in F_2$. Taking $u = f_1 \odot f_2 \odot f_3 \odot \cdots \odot f_n, v = f_n''$, we get $x \geq f \geq u \odot v$ with $u \in F_1, v \in F_2$. \square

Proposition 3.30. *If $F_1, F_2 \in \mathcal{F}_n(A)$ then:*

- (1) $F_1 \wedge F_2 \in \mathcal{F}_n(A)$;
- (2) $F_1 \vee F_2 \in \mathcal{F}_n(A)$.

Proof: (1) We have $F_1 \wedge F_2 = F_1 \cap F_2$. Consider $x, y \in A$ such that $x \rightarrow y \in F_1 \cap F_2$, that is $x \rightarrow y \in F_1$ and $x \rightarrow y \in F_2$. It follows that $x \rightsquigarrow y \in F_1$ and $x \rightsquigarrow y \in F_2$, hence $x \rightsquigarrow y \in F_1 \cap F_2$. Similarly, $x \rightsquigarrow y \in F_1 \cap F_2$ implies $x \rightarrow y \in F_1 \cap F_2 = F_1 \wedge F_2$.

(2) Let $x, y \in A$ such that $x \rightarrow y \in F_1 \vee F_2$. By Proposition 3.29, there are $u \in F_1, v \in F_2$ such that $u \odot v \leq x \rightarrow y$. Hence, $(u \odot v) \odot x \leq y$ so $u \odot (v \odot x) \leq y$. Since there is $v' \in F_2$ such that $v \odot x \geq x \odot v'$, we get $y \geq (u \odot x) \odot v'$. Similarly, there is $u' \in F_1$ such that $u \odot x \geq x \odot u'$, so $y \geq x \odot (u' \odot v')$. We get $u' \odot v' \leq x \rightsquigarrow y$, hence $x \rightsquigarrow y \in F_1 \vee F_2$. Similarly, $x \rightsquigarrow y \in F_1 \vee F_2$ implies $x \rightarrow y \in F_1 \vee F_2$. \square

Proposition 3.31. *If $(F_i)_{i \in I}$ is a family of normal filters of A , then:*

- (1) $\bigwedge_{i \in I} F_i \in \mathcal{F}_n(A)$;
- (2) $\bigvee_{i \in I} F_i \in \mathcal{F}_n(A)$;

Proof: Similarly as above. \square

As a consequence of the above result we get:

Theorem 3.32. *([4]) $\mathcal{F}_n(A)$ is a complete sublattice of $(\mathcal{F}(A), \subseteq)$.*

For any normal filter H of A we associate a binary relation \equiv_H on A by defining $x \equiv_H y$ iff $x \rightarrow y, y \rightarrow x \in H$ iff $x \rightsquigarrow y, y \rightsquigarrow x \in H$.

Proposition 3.33. *([6]) For a given normal filter H of A the relation \equiv_H is a congruence relation on A .*

For any $x \in A$, let x/H be the equivalence class x / \equiv_H and $A/H = \{x/H \mid x \in A\}$. A/H becomes a pseudo-MTL algebra with the natural operations induced from those of A . If $x, y \in A$, then $x/H \leq y/H$ iff $x \rightarrow y \in H$ iff $x \rightsquigarrow y \in H$.

Definition 3.34. *A proper (normal) filter of A is called maximal (normal) filter or (normal) ultrafilter if it is not contained in any other proper (normal) filter of A .*

Denote:

$$\text{Max}(A) = \{F \mid F \text{ is maximal filter of } A\}$$

and

$$\text{Max}_n(A) = \{F \mid F \text{ is maximal normal filter of } A\}.$$

Clearly, $\text{Max}_n(A) \subseteq \text{Max}(A)$.

Example 3.35. Let's consider the pseudo-MTL algebra A from Example 2.3. It is obvious that $H_1 = \{c, 1\}$ is a maximal filter of A , but $H_2 = \{1\}$ is not a maximal filter.

Theorem 3.36. ([4]) If F is a proper filter of A , then the following are equivalent:

- (1) $F \in \text{Max}(A)$;
- (2) For any $x \notin F$ there is $f \in F$, $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$, $n, m \geq 1$ such that $(f \odot x^n)^m = 0$.

Theorem 3.37. ([6]) If H is a proper normal filter of A , then the following are equivalent:

- (a) $H \in \text{Max}_n(A)$;
- (b) For any $x \in A$, $x \notin H$ iff $(x^n)^- \in H$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$;
- (c) For any $x \in A$, $x \notin H$ iff $(x^n)^\sim \in H$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Proposition 3.38. ([6]) If H is a proper normal filter of A , then the following are equivalent:

- (a) $H \in \text{Max}_n(A)$;
- (b) A/H is locally finite.

Proposition 3.39. Let F be a maximal filter of a pseudo-MTL algebra A and $x, y \in A$. Then:

- (1) $y \notin F$ and $y \odot x = x$ implies $x = 0$;
- (2) $y \notin F$ and $x \odot y = x$ implies $x = 0$.

Proof: Let's consider $y \in A \setminus F$ such that $y \odot x = x$.

(1) Assume $x \in A$, $x > 0$ and consider $E = \{z \in A \mid z \odot x = x\}$. First we prove that E is a proper filter. Obviously, $1, y \in E$ and $0 \notin E$. Consider $z \in A$ such that $y \rightarrow z \in E$, so $(y \rightarrow z) \odot x = x$. Since $(y \rightarrow z) \odot y \odot x = (y \rightarrow z) \odot x = x$, it follows that

$$x = [(y \rightarrow z) \odot y] \odot x \leq (y \wedge z) \odot x \leq (y \odot x) \wedge (z \odot x) = x \wedge (z \odot x) = z \odot x \leq x$$

Thus $z \odot x = x$, hence $z \in E$. Therefore E is a proper filter. Since $y \in E$ and F is maximal, it follows that $y \in F$, a contradiction. Thus, $x = 0$.

(2) Similarly as in (1). □

Let A be a pseudo-MTL algebra and F a filter of A . We define two binary relations on A by:

$$x \equiv_{L(F)} y \Leftrightarrow (x \rightarrow y) \wedge (y \rightarrow x) \in F \text{ and } x \equiv_{R(F)} y \Leftrightarrow (x \rightsquigarrow y) \wedge (y \rightsquigarrow x) \in F.$$

Proposition 3.40. ([5]) *For a given filter F , the relations $\equiv_{L(F)}$ and $\equiv_{R(F)}$ are equivalence relations on A .*

We also define two order relations $\leq_{L(F)}$ on $A/L(F)$ and $\leq_{R(F)}$ on $A/R(F)$ by:

$$x/L(F) \leq_{L(F)} y/L(F) \Leftrightarrow x \rightarrow y \in F \text{ and } x/R(F) \leq_{R(F)} y/R(F) \Leftrightarrow x \rightsquigarrow y \in F.$$

Definition 3.41. *A proper (normal) filter P of A is called (normal) prime filter if for all $x, y \in A$, $x \vee y \in P$ implies $x \in P$ or $y \in P$.*

The set of all prime filters of A will be denoted by $Spec(A)$. We also denote by $Spec_n(A)$ the set of all prime normal filters of A . Clearly, $Spec_n(A) \subseteq Spec(A)$.

Example 3.42. *Let's consider $A = \{0, a, b, c, 1\}$ with $0 < a < b, c < 1$, but b, c are incomparable. Consider also the operations $\odot, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow$ given by the following tables:*

\odot	0	a	b	c	1	\rightarrow	0	a	b	c	1	\rightsquigarrow	0	a	b	c	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
a	0	0	a	0	a	a	b	1	1	1	1	a	c	1	1	1	1
b	0	0	b	0	b	b	0	c	1	c	1	b	c	c	1	c	1
c	0	a	a	c	c	c	b	b	b	1	1	c	0	b	b	1	1
1	0	a	b	c	1	1	0	a	b	c	1	1	0	a	b	c	1

Then $\mathcal{A} = (A, \wedge, \vee, \odot, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 0, 1)$ is a pseudo-MTL algebra. Because $(b \rightarrow a) \odot b = c \odot b = a$ and $b \odot (b \rightsquigarrow a) = b \odot c = 0$, it follows that $(b \rightarrow a) \odot b \neq b \odot (b \rightsquigarrow a)$, so \mathcal{A} is not a pseudo-BL algebra. Clearly, A is not a pseudo-MTL chain. Obviously, $P = \{c, 1\}$ is a prime filter of A . Consider the filter $F = \{1\}$ of A . Since $b \vee c = 1 \in F$, but $b, c \notin F$, it follows that F is not a prime filter of A .

Proposition 3.43. ([5]) *If P is a proper filter of A , then the following properties are equivalent:*

- (a) P is prime;
- (b) For all $x, y \in A$, $x \rightarrow y \in P$ or $y \rightarrow x \in P$;
- (c) For all $x, y \in A$, $x \rightsquigarrow y \in P$ or $y \rightsquigarrow x \in P$;
- (d) $A/L(P)$ is a chain;
- (e) $A/R(P)$ is a chain.

Corollary 3.44. ([5]) *If P is a prime filter and Q is a proper filter such that $P \subseteq Q$, then Q is a prime filter.*

Proposition 3.45. *If P is a prime filter of A , then $x \odot y \in P$ implies $x^2 \in P$ or $y^2 \in P$.*

Proof: Since $x \odot y \in P$ and $x \odot y \leq x \wedge y \leq x, y$ we have $x, y \in P$. Hence, $x \odot y \in P$. Because P is a prime filter, for all $x, y \in A$, we have $x \rightarrow y \in P$ or $y \rightarrow x \in P$.

Consider $x \rightarrow y \in P$. Applying (c_{23}) for $z = y$, we get

$$(x \odot y) \wedge y^2 \geq (x \wedge y) \odot y \geq (x \rightarrow y) \odot x \odot y.$$

Thus, $y^2 \geq (x \odot y) \wedge y^2 \geq (x \rightarrow y) \odot (x \odot y)$. Since $x \rightarrow y, x \odot y \in P$ we have $(x \rightarrow y) \odot (x \odot y) \in P$, hence $y^2 \in P$.

If $y \rightarrow x \in P$, applying (c_{23}) for $z = x$, we get

$$x^2 \wedge (y \odot x) \geq (x \wedge y) \odot x \geq (y \rightarrow x) \odot y \odot x.$$

Thus, $x^2 \geq x^2 \wedge (y \odot x) \geq (y \rightarrow x) \odot (y \odot x)$. Since $y \rightarrow x, y \odot x \in P$ we have $(y \rightarrow x) \odot (y \odot x) \in P$, hence $x^2 \in P$. \square

Theorem 3.46. ([5]) (Prime filter theorem) Let F be a filter of A and let S be an ideal of the lattice $\mathcal{L}(A)$ such that $F \cap S = \emptyset$. Then there exists a prime filter P of A such that $F \subseteq P$ and $P \cap S = \emptyset$.

Corollary 3.47. ([5]) Let F be a filter of A and $a \in A \setminus F$. Then there is a prime filter P of A such that $F \subseteq P$ and $a \notin P$.

Corollary 3.48. ([5]) If $x \in A$, $x \neq 1$, then there is a prime filter P such that $x \notin P$.

Corollary 3.49. ([5]) Every proper filter F is the intersection of those prime filters which contain F . In particular, $\bigcap \text{Spec}(A) = \{1\}$.

Corollary 3.50. ([5]) $\text{Max}(A) \subseteq \text{Spec}(A)$.

Proposition 3.51. ([5]) Any proper filter can be extended to a maximal filter.

Proposition 3.52. ([5]) The set of proper filters including a prime filter P of A is a chain.

Proposition 3.53. ([5]) A pseudo-MTL algebra A is a chain if and only if any proper filter of A is prime.

Example 3.54. (1) Consider the pseudo-MTL chain A from Example 3.24. It is obvious that: $\mathcal{F}(A) = \{\{1\}, \{c, 1\}, \{a, b, c, 1\}, A\}$, $\mathcal{F}_n(A) = \{\{1\}, \{a, b, c, 1\}, A\}$, $\text{Max}(A) = \{\{a, b, c, 1\}\}$, $\text{Max}_n(A) = \{\{a, b, c, 1\}\}$, $\text{Spec}(A) = \{\{1\}, \{c, 1\}, \{a, b, c, 1\}\}$, $\text{Spec}_n(A) = \{\{1\}, \{a, b, c, 1\}\}$. Obviously, in this case we have $\text{Max}_n(A) = \text{Max}(A)$.

(2) For the pseudo-MTL algebra A from Example 3.42 we have:

$\mathcal{F}(A) = \{\{1\}, \{b, 1\}, \{c, 1\}, A\}$, $\mathcal{F}_n(A) = \{\{1\}, A\}$, $\text{Max}(A) = \{\{b, 1\}, \{c, 1\}\}$, $\text{Max}_n(A) = \emptyset$, $\text{Spec}(A) = \{\{b, 1\}, \{c, 1\}\}$, $\text{Spec}_n(A) = \emptyset$. The filter $\{1\}$ is not prime and A is not a chain. This fact is in accordance with the assertion of Proposition 3.53.

Definition 3.55. An element $p < 1$ of a bounded lattice $(A, \wedge, \vee, 0, 1)$ is called *meet-irreducible* if $p = x \wedge y$ implies $p = x$ or $p = y$.

Theorem 3.56. ([4]) If P is a proper filter of A , then the following are equivalent:

- (a) P is prime;
- (b) P is meet-irreducible in the lattice $\mathcal{F}(A)$;
- (c) If $x, y \in A$ such that $x \vee y = 1$, then $x \in P$ or $y \in P$;
- (d) For all $x, y \in A \setminus P$ there is $z \in A \setminus P$ such that $x \leq z$ and $y \leq z$;
- (e) If $x, y \in A$ and $[x] \wedge [y] \subseteq P$, then $x \in P$ or $y \in P$.

Proposition 3.57. Any locally finite pseudo-MTL algebra A is a chain.

Proof: Let $x, y \in A$ such that $x \vee y = 1$. Applying (c_{54}) , we get:

$$1 = x \vee y = [(x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y] \wedge [(y \rightsquigarrow x) \rightarrow x] \leq (x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y,$$

so $(x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y = 1$, that is $x \rightarrow y \leq y$. Taking in consideration that $y \leq x \rightarrow y$, we get $x \rightarrow y = y$. Let's suppose that $x \neq 1$. Since A is locally finite, there is $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x^n = 0$. We have:

$$y = x \rightarrow y = x \rightarrow (x \rightarrow y) = x^2 \rightarrow y = \dots = x^n \rightarrow y = 0 \rightarrow y = 1.$$

Thus, $x \vee y = 1$ iff $x = 1$ or $y = 1$. But, for all $x, y \in A$ we have $(x \rightarrow y) \vee (y \rightarrow x) = 1$, so, applying the above result we get $x \rightarrow y = 1$ or $y \rightarrow x = 1$. Hence, $x \leq y$ or $y \leq x$. We conclude that A is a chain. \square

4 Good pseudo-MTL algebras

Definition 4.1. A pseudo-MTL algebra A is called *good* if $x^{-\sim} = x^{\sim-}$ for any $x \in A$.

Example 4.2. (1) The pseudo-MTL chains from Examples 2.3 and 3.24 are good;

(2) The pseudo-MTL chain from Example 2.12 and the pseudo-MTL algebra from Example 3.42 are not good.

Proposition 4.3. If $F = A \setminus \{0\}$ is a maximal filter of a pseudo-MTL algebra A , then A is good.

Proof: Obviously $(0^-)^{\sim} = (0^{\sim})^- = 0$. Assume $x > 0$, that is $x \in F$. If $x^-, x^{\sim} \in F$ it follows that $x^- \odot x, x \odot x^{\sim} \in F$, that is $0 \in F$, a contradiction. Thus $x^- = x^{\sim} = 0$, hence $(x^-)^{\sim} = (x^{\sim})^- = 1$. Therefore, A is a good pseudo-MTL algebra. \square

Proposition 4.4. *In any good pseudo-MTL algebra we have $(x^\sim \odot y^\sim)^- = (x^- \odot y^-)^\sim$.*

Proof: Applying $(c_{34}), (c_{49}), (c_{50})$ we have:

$$\begin{aligned} (x^\sim \odot y^\sim)^- &= x^\sim \rightarrow y^{\sim-} = x^\sim \rightarrow y^{-\sim} = y^{-\sim-} \rightsquigarrow x^{\sim-} \\ &= y^- \rightsquigarrow x^{\sim-} = y^- \rightsquigarrow x^{-\sim} = (x^- \odot y^-)^\sim. \end{aligned}$$

(In the last equality we also applied (c_{34})). \square

Proposition 4.5. *In any good pseudo-MTL algebra A we have $x^{-\sim} \odot y^{-\sim} \leq (x \odot y)^{-\sim}$.*

Proof: Because A is good, by (c_{10}) , we have:

$$\begin{aligned} (x \odot y)^{-\sim} &= (x \odot y)^{\sim-} \geq (x \odot y)^{\sim-} \wedge x^{\sim-} \geq x^{\sim-} \odot (x^{\sim-} \rightsquigarrow (x \odot y)^{\sim-}) \\ &= x^{\sim-} \odot (x^{\sim-} \rightsquigarrow (x \odot y)^{-\sim}) = x^{\sim-} \odot (x^{\sim-} \rightsquigarrow (x \rightarrow y^-)^\sim). \end{aligned}$$

But, applying (c_{34}) and (c_1) we have:

$$\begin{aligned} x^{\sim-} \rightsquigarrow (x \rightarrow y^-)^\sim &= x^{\sim-} \rightsquigarrow ((x \rightarrow y^-) \rightsquigarrow 0) = (x^{\sim-} \rightarrow y^-) \odot x^{\sim-} \rightsquigarrow 0 \\ &= ((x^{\sim-} \rightarrow y^-) \odot x^{\sim-})^\sim \geq (x^{\sim-} \wedge y^-)^\sim \geq x^{\sim-} \vee y^{-\sim} \\ &= x^\sim \vee y^{-\sim}. \end{aligned}$$

By (c_{34}) we have $(x^{\sim-} \rightarrow y^-) \odot x^{\sim-} \leq (x^{\sim-} \wedge y^-)$, so $((x^{\sim-} \rightarrow y^-) \odot x^{\sim-})^\sim \geq (x^{\sim-} \wedge y^-)^\sim$.

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} (x \odot y)^{-\sim} &\geq x^{\sim-} \odot (x^\sim \vee y^{-\sim}) = (x^{\sim-} \odot x^\sim) \vee (x^{\sim-} \odot y^{-\sim}) \\ &= 0 \vee (x^{\sim-} \odot y^{-\sim}) = x^{\sim-} \odot y^{-\sim} = x^{-\sim} \odot y^{-\sim}. \end{aligned}$$

(we applied (c_{42}) and (c_{31})). \square

If A is a good pseudo-MTL algebra, then we will denote

$$M(A) = \{x \in A \mid x^{-\sim} = x^{\sim-} = x\}.$$

Proposition 4.6. *([12]) Let A be a good pseudo-MTL algebra. Then:*

- (1) $0, 1 \in M(A)$;
- (2) $x^-, x^\sim \in M(A)$ for all $x \in A$;
- (3) if $x, y \in M(A)$, then $x \rightarrow y = y^- \rightsquigarrow x^-$ and $x \rightsquigarrow y = y^\sim \rightarrow x^\sim$;
- (4) if $x, y \in M(A)$, then $(x^- \odot y^-)^\sim = (x^\sim \odot y^\sim)^- = x^- \rightsquigarrow y = y^\sim \rightarrow x$.

Definition 4.7. *([10]) If A is a good pseudo-MTL algebra we say that two elements $x, y \in A$ are orthogonals, denoted $x \perp y$, if $x^{-\sim} \leq y^\sim$.*

Remark 4.8. ([10]) *If A is a good pseudo-MTL algebra, then the following are equivalent:*

- (a) $x \perp y$;
- (b) $y^{-\sim} \leq x^{-}$;
- (c) $y^{-\sim} \odot x^{-\sim} = 0$.

Remark 4.9. ([10]) *Let A be a good pseudo-MTL algebra. For all $x, y \in A$ we have:*

- (1) *if $x \leq y$, then $x \perp y^{\sim}$ and $y^{-} \perp x$;*
- (2) *$x \perp x^{\sim}$ and $x^{-} \perp x$.*

5 Local pseudo-MTL algebras

Definition 5.1. *A pseudo-MTL algebra is called local if it has a unique ultrafilter.*

If A is a pseudo-MTL algebra, we will denote by:

$$D(A) = \{x \in A \mid \text{ord}(x) = \infty\}$$

$$D(A)^* = \{x \in A \mid \text{ord}(x) < \infty\}.$$

Obviously, $D(A) \cap D(A)^* = \emptyset$ and $D(A) \cup D(A)^* = A$.

We also can remark that $1 \in D(A)$ and $0 \in D(A)^*$.

Let A be a pseudo-MTL algebra and F a filter of A . We will use the following notations:

$$F_-^* = \{x \in A \mid x \leq y^- \text{ for some } y \in F\};$$

$$F_{\sim}^* = \{x \in A \mid x \leq y^{\sim} \text{ for some } y \in F\}.$$

Remark 5.2. ([12]) *Let A be a pseudo-MTL algebra. Then:*

- (1) $F_-^* = \{x \in A \mid y \odot x = 0 \text{ for some } y \in F\}$;
- (2) $F_{\sim}^* = \{x \in A \mid x \odot y = 0 \text{ for some } y \in F\}$;
- (3) $F_-^* = \{x \in A \mid x^- \in F\}$;
- (4) $F_{\sim}^* = \{x \in A \mid x^{\sim} \in F\}$.

Proposition 5.3. ([12]) *Let A be a local pseudo-MTL algebra. Then:*

- (1) *any proper filter of A is included in the unique maximal filter of A ;*
- (2) A_0^- and A_0^{\sim} are included in the unique maximal filter of A .

Proposition 5.4. ([12]) *Let A be a pseudo-MTL algebra. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (a) $D(A)$ is a filter of A ;
- (b) $D(A)$ is a proper filter of A ;
- (c) A is local ;
- (d) $D(A)$ is the unique ultrafilter of A ;
- (e) for all $x, y \in A$, $\text{ord}(x \odot y) < \infty$ implies $\text{ord}(x) < \infty$ or $\text{ord}(y) < \infty$.

Corollary 5.5. ([12]) *If A is a local pseudo-MTL algebra, then:*

- (1) *for any $x \in A$, $\text{ord}(x) < \infty$ or ($\text{ord}(x^-) < \infty$ and $\text{ord}(x^\sim) < \infty$);*
- (2) *$D(A)_-^* \subseteq D(A)^*$ and $D(A)_{\sim}^* \subseteq D(A)^*$;*
- (3) *$D(A) \cap D(A)_-^* = D(A) \cap D(A)_{\sim}^* = \emptyset$.*

Proposition 5.6. ([12]) *Any pseudo-MTL chain is a local pseudo-MTL algebra.*

Example 5.7. (1) *The good pseudo-MTL chains from Examples 2.3, 2.12 and 3.24 are local;*

(2) *The pseudo-MTL algebra A from Example 3.42 is not local. Indeed, $D(A) = \{b, c, 1\}$ is not a filter of A ($b \odot c = 0 \notin A$).*

Open problem 1. *Find an example of local pseudo-MTL algebra which is not a chain.*

Definition 5.8. ([12]) *A pseudo-MTL algebra A is called perfect if it satisfies the following conditions :*

- (1) *A is a local good pseudo-MTL algebra;*
- (2) *for any $x \in A$, $\text{ord}(x) < \infty$ iff $\text{ord}(x^-) = \infty$ iff $\text{ord}(x^\sim) = \infty$.*

Proposition 5.9. ([12]) *Let A be a local good pseudo-MTL algebra. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (a) *A is perfect;*
- (b) *for any $x \in A$, $\text{ord}(x) < \infty$ implies $\text{ord}(x^-) = \infty$;*
- (c) *for any $x \in A$, $\text{ord}(x) < \infty$ implies $\text{ord}(x^\sim) = \infty$;*
- (d) *$D(A)_-^* = D(A)^*$;*
- (e) *$D(A)_{\sim}^* = D(A)^*$.*

Example 5.10. (1) *Consider the good pseudo-MTL chain A from Example 3.24. By Proposition 5.6 it is local. One can easily check that $\text{ord}(x) < \infty$ iff $\text{ord}(x^-) = \infty$ iff $\text{ord}(x^\sim) = \infty$ for all $x \in A$. Thus, A is a perfect pseudo-MTL chain.*

(2) *The pseudo-MTL chain from Example 2.3 is not perfect ($\text{ord}(a) = 2 < \infty$, but $\text{ord}(a^-) = \text{ord}(b) = 2 < \infty$).*

(3) *The pseudo-MTL chain from Example 2.12 and the pseudo-MTL algebra from Example 3.42 are not perfect, since they are not good.*

Open problem 2. *Find an example of perfect pseudo-MTL algebra which is not a chain.*

Corollary 5.11. *If A is a perfect pseudo-MTL algebra, then*

$$D(A)^* = \{x^- \mid x \in D(A)\} = \{x^\sim \mid x \in D(A)\}.$$

Definition 5.12. *Let A be a pseudo-MTL algebra. The intersection of all maximal filters of A is called the radical of A and it is denoted by $\text{Rad}(A)$. The intersection of all maximal normal filters of A is called the normal radical of A and it is denoted by $\text{Rad}_n(A)$. It is obvious that $\text{Rad}(A)$ and $\text{Rad}_n(A)$ are filters of A and $\text{Rad}(A) \subseteq \text{Rad}_n(A)$.*

Example 5.13. (1) In the case of the pseudo-MTL algebra A from Example 3.42 we have $Max(A) = \{\{b, 1\}, \{c, 1\}\}$. It follows that $Rad(A) = \{1\}$. Note that A is not a chain.

(2) In the case of the pseudo-MTL chain A from Example 3.24 we have $Max(A) = Max_n(A) = \{\{a, b, c, 1\}\}$. Hence, $Rad(A) = Rad_n(A) = \{\{a, b, c, 1\}\}$.

Proposition 5.14. If A is a local pseudo-MTL algebra, then $Rad(A) = D(A)$.

Proof: By Proposition 5.4 it follows that $D(A)$ is the unique maximal filter of A , so $Rad(A) = D(A)$. \square

Remark 5.15. If A is a local pseudo-MTL algebra and $x \in Rad(A)^*$, $y \in A$ such that $y \leq x$, then $y \in Rad(A)^*$.

Proposition 5.16. ([4]) For any $x, y \in Rad(A)$, $x^- \odot y^- = x^\sim \odot y^\sim = 0$.

Corollary 5.17. Let A be a perfect pseudo-MTL algebra. If $x \in Rad(A)$ and $y \in Rad(A)^*$, then $x^- \leq y^-$ and $x^\sim \leq y^\sim$.

Proof: Since $x, y^\sim \in Rad(A)$, by Proposition 5.16 we get $x^- \odot y^{\sim -} = 0$. Because $y \leq y^{\sim -}$, we have $x^- \odot y \leq x^- \odot y^{\sim -} = 0$, so $x^- \odot y = 0$. Hence, $x^- \leq y^-$. Similarly, $x^\sim \leq y^\sim$. \square

Proposition 5.18. If A is a perfect pseudo-MTL algebra and $x, y \in Rad(A)^*$, then $x \perp y$ and $y \perp x$.

Proof: Since $x, y \in Rad(A)^*$, it follows that $y^-, x^- \in Rad(A)$. Hence, $y^{\sim -} \odot x^{\sim -} = 0$. By Proposition 4.8(c) we get $x \perp y$. Similarly, $y \perp x$. \square

Theorem 5.19. If A is a perfect pseudo-MTL algebra, then $Rad(A)$ is a normal filter of A .

Proof: We have to prove that $x \rightarrow y \in Rad(A)$ iff $x \rightsquigarrow y \in Rad(A)$ for all $x, y \in A$. Consider $x, y \in A$ such that $x \rightarrow y \in Rad(A)$ and suppose $x \rightsquigarrow y \notin Rad(A)$. From $y \leq y^{\sim -}$ we get $x \rightarrow y \leq x \rightarrow y^{\sim -}$ (by (c_{33}) and (c_{13})). Since $Rad(A)$ is a filter of A , it follows that $x \rightarrow y^{\sim -} \in Rad(A)$, that is $(x \odot y^\sim)^- \in Rad(A)$ (by (c_{34})).

Hence, $x \odot y^\sim \in Rad(A)^*$.

On the other hand, from $x \rightsquigarrow y \notin Rad(A)$, it follows that $x \rightsquigarrow y \in Rad(A)^*$. Since $x \leq x^{\sim -}$, by (c_{14}) we get $x^{\sim -} \rightsquigarrow y \leq x \rightsquigarrow y$, so $x^{\sim -} \rightsquigarrow y \in Rad(A)^*$ (by Remark 5.15). By (c_{37}) we have $x^\sim \leq x^{\sim -} \rightsquigarrow y$, so $x^\sim \in Rad(A)^*$, that is $x \in Rad(A)$. But $y \leq x \rightsquigarrow y$, so $y \in Rad(A)^*$, that is $y^\sim \in Rad(A)$. Since $Rad(A)$ is a filter of A and $x, y^\sim \in Rad(A)$, we get $x \odot y^\sim \in Rad(A)$ which is a contradiction. Thus, $x \rightarrow y \in Rad(A)$ implies $x \rightsquigarrow y \in Rad(A)$.

Similarly, $x \rightsquigarrow y \in Rad(A)$ implies $x \rightarrow y \in Rad(A)$ and we conclude that $Rad(A)$ is a normal filter of A . \square

Remark 5.20. *If the pseudo-MTL algebra A is not perfect, then the above result is not always valid, as we can see in the following example.*

Let's consider $A = \{0, a, b, c, 1\}$ with $0 < a < b < c < 1$ and the operations $\odot, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow$ given by the following tables:

\odot	0	a	b	c	1	\rightarrow	0	a	b	c	1	\rightsquigarrow	0	a	b	c	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
a	0	0	a	a	a	a	c	1	1	1	1	a	a	1	1	1	1
b	0	0	b	b	b	b	0	a	1	1	1	b	a	a	1	1	1
c	0	0	b	b	c	c	0	a	c	1	1	c	a	a	c	1	1
1	0	a	b	c	1	1	0	a	b	c	1	1	0	a	b	c	1

One can easily check that the pseudo-MTL chain A is not perfect and $H = \{b, c, 1\}$ is the unique maximal filter of A , so $\text{Rad}(A) = \{b, c, 1\}$. Since $a \rightarrow 0 = c \in H$ and $a \rightsquigarrow 0 = a \notin H$, it follows that $\text{Rad}(A)$ is not a normal filter of A .

Remark 5.21. *There exist pseudo-MTL algebras which are not perfect, but $\text{Rad}(A)$ is a normal filter, so it is not a necessary condition. Indeed, let's consider $A = \{0, a, b, c, 1\}$ with $0 < a < b < c < 1$ and the operations $\odot, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow$ given by the following tables:*

\odot	0	a	b	c	1	\rightarrow	0	a	b	c	1	\rightsquigarrow	0	a	b	c	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
a	0	0	0	0	a	a	b	1	1	1	1	a	c	1	1	1	1
b	0	0	b	b	b	b	a	a	1	1	1	b	a	a	1	1	1
c	0	a	b	c	c	c	a	a	b	1	1	c	0	a	b	1	1
1	0	a	b	c	1	1	0	a	b	c	1	1	0	a	b	c	1

One can easily check that the pseudo-MTL chain A is not perfect and $H = \{b, c, 1\}$ is the unique maximal filter of A , so $\text{Rad}(A) = \{b, c, 1\}$. One can easily check that $\text{Rad}(A)$ is also a normal filter of A .

6 Archimedean pseudo-MTL algebras

We will introduce the notion of *Archimedean* pseudo-MTL algebra in the same way as in the case of pseudo-BL algebras (see [4]).

Proposition 6.1. *In any pseudo-MTL algebra the following are equivalent:*

- (a) $x^n \geq x^- \vee x^\sim$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$ implies $x = 1$;
- (b) $x^n \geq y^- \vee y^\sim$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$ implies $x \vee y = 1$;
- (c) $x^n \geq y^- \vee y^\sim$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$ implies $x \rightarrow y = x \rightsquigarrow y = y$.

Proof: (a) \Rightarrow (b) Take $x, y \in A$ such that $x^n \geq y^- \vee y^\sim$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

By (c₄₆) and by the hypothesis we have:

$$(x \vee y)^- = x^- \vee y^- \leq y^- \leq y^- \vee y^\sim \leq x^n \leq (x \vee y)^n \text{ and}$$

$$(x \vee y)^\sim = x^\sim \vee y^\sim \leq y^\sim \leq y^- \vee y^\sim \leq x^n \leq (x \vee y)^n,$$

hence $(x \vee y)^n \geq (x \vee y)^- \vee (x \vee y)^\sim$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Thus, by hypothesis we get $x \vee y = 1$.

(b) \Rightarrow (c) By (c₅₄) and (c₅₅), for all $x, y \in A$ we have:

$$(x \vee y) = [(x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y] \wedge [(y \rightsquigarrow x) \rightarrow x]$$

$$(x \vee y) = [(x \rightsquigarrow y) \rightarrow y] \wedge [(y \rightarrow x) \rightsquigarrow x].$$

Since $x \vee y = 1$, it follows that:

$$[(x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y] \wedge [(y \rightsquigarrow x) \rightarrow x] = 1,$$

$$[(x \rightsquigarrow y) \rightarrow y] \wedge [(y \rightarrow x) \rightsquigarrow x] = 1,$$

hence $(x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y = 1$ and $(x \rightsquigarrow y) \rightarrow y = 1$. From $(x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y = 1$ we have $x \rightarrow y \leq y$ and taking in consideration that $y \leq x \rightarrow y$, we obtain $x \rightarrow y = y$. Similarly, $x \rightsquigarrow y = y$.

(c) \Rightarrow (a) Consider $x \in A$ such that $x^n \geq x^- \vee x^\sim$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Taking $y = x$ in (c), we get $x \rightarrow x = x$, hence $x = 1$. \square

Definition 6.2. A pseudo-MTL algebra is called Archimedean if one of the equivalent conditions from the above proposition is satisfied.

Definition 6.3. An element $x \in A$ is called Archimedean if there is $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \geq 1$ such that $x^n \in B(A)$. A pseudo-MTL algebra A is called hyperarchimedean if all its elements are Archimedean.

Proposition 6.4. Any locally finite pseudo-MTL algebra is hyperarchimedean.

Proof: Let A be a locally finite pseudo-MTL algebra and $x \in A$. Hence, there exists $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x^n = 0 \in B(A)$. It follows that any element x of A is Archimedean, so A is hyperarchimedean. \square

Corollary 6.5. Any hyperarchimedean pseudo-MTL algebra is Archimedean.

Proof: Let A be a hyperarchimedean pseudo-MTL algebra and $x \in A$ such that $x^n \geq x^- \vee x^\sim$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Since A is hyperarchimedean, there exists $m \in \mathbb{N}$, $m \geq 1$ such that $x^m \in B(A)$. According to Proposition 2.17 it follows that $x = 1$, so A is Archimedean. \square

Corollary 6.6. Any locally finite pseudo-MTL algebra is Archimedean.

Proof: It follows from Proposition 6.4 and Corollary 6.5. \square

Theorem 6.7. ([4]) For a pseudo-MTL algebra A , the following are equivalent:

- (a) A is hyperarchimedean;
- (b) For any normal filter H , the quotient pseudo-MTL algebra A/H is an Archimedean pseudo-MTL algebra.

Example 6.8. (1) The pseudo-MTL chains from Examples 2.3 and 3.24 are neither Archimedean, nor hyperarchimedean (for example, in the first case, $c^n = c \geq c^- \vee c^\sim = 0 \vee 0 = 0$ for all $n \geq 2$);

(2) The pseudo-MTL chain from Example 2.12 is locally finite, so it is hyperarchimedean and Archimedean;

(3) The pseudo-MTL algebra A from Example 3.42 is Archimedean, but it is not hyperarchimedean. Indeed:

$$0^n = 0 \not\geq 0^- \vee 0^\sim = 1 \vee 1 = 1, n \geq 1$$

$$a^n = 0 \not\geq a^- \vee a^\sim = b \vee c = 1, n \geq 2$$

$$b^n = b \not\geq b^- \vee b^\sim = 0 \vee c = c, n \geq 1$$

$$c^n = c \not\geq c^- \vee c^\sim = b \vee 0 = b, n \geq 1$$

$$1^n = 1 \geq 1^- \vee 1^\sim = 0 \vee 0 = 0, n \geq 1.$$

We conclude that, if $x^n \geq x^- \vee x^\sim$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \geq 1$, then $x = 1$. Hence, A is an Archimedean pseudo-MTL algebra. Since $a^2 = 0 \in B(A)$, it follows that a is an Archimedean element. By contrary, $b^n = b \notin B(A)$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \geq 1$, so b is not Archimedean element. Thus, A is not hyperarchimedean.

Remark 6.9. By Examples 6.8(2),(3) we proved that, generally, an Archimedean pseudo-MTL algebra is not commutative (i.e. a MTL algebra).

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