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# On a generalization of KU-algebras pseudo-KU algebras

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**Abstract:** As a generalization of KU-algebras, the notion of pseudo-KU algebras is introduced in 2020 by the author (D. A. Romano. *Pseudo-UP algebras, An introduction*. Bull. Int. Math. Virtual Inst., 10(2)(2020), 349-355). Some characterizations of pseudo-KU algebras are established in that article. In addition, it is shown that each pseudo-KU algebra is a pseudo-UP algebra. In this paper it is a concept developed of pseudo-KU algebras in more detail and it has identified some of the main features of this type of universal algebras such as the notions of pseudo-subalgebras, pseudo-ideals, pseudo-filters and pseudo homomorphisms. Also, it has been shown that every pseudo-KU algebra is a pseudo-BE algebra. In addition, a congruence was constructed on a pseudo-KU algebra generated by a pseudo-ideal and shown that the corresponding factor-structure is and pseudo-KU algebra as well.

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## 1. Introduction

The concept of pseudo-BCK algebras was introduced in [1] by Georgescu and Iorgulescu as an extension of BCK-algebras. The notion of pseudo-BCI algebras was introduced and analyzed in [2] by Dudek and Jun as a generalization of BCI-algebras. The concept of pseudo-BE algebras was introduced in 2013 and their properties were explored by Borzooei *et al.*, in [3]. These algebraic structures have been in the focus of many authors (for example, see [4–10]). Pseudo BL-algebras are a non-commutative generalization of BL-algebras introduced in [11]. Pseudo BL-algebras are intensively studied by many authors (for example, [12–14]).

Prabpayak and Leerawat 2009 in [15,16] introduced a new algebraic structure which is called KU-algebras. They studied ideals and congruences in KU-algebras. They also introduced the concept of homomorphism of KU-algebras and investigated some related properties. Moreover, they derived some straightforward consequences of the relations between quotient KU-algebras and isomorphism. Many authors took part in the study of this algebraic structure (for example: [17,18]).

A detailed listing of the researchers and their contributions to these activities it can be found in [19]. Here, we will highlight the contribution of [20]. In [21], Kim and Kim introduced the concept of BE-algebras as a generalization of dual BCK-algebras. This class of algebra was also studied by Rezaei and Saeid 2012 in article [22]. In the article [20], the authors (Rezaei, Saeid and Borzooei) proved that a KU-algebra is equivalent to a commutative self-distributive BE-algebra. (A BE-algebra  $A$  is a self-distributive if  $x \cdot (y \cdot z) = (z \cdot y) \cdot (x \cdot z)$  for all  $x, y, z \in A$ .) Additionally, they proved that every KU-algebra is a BE-algebra ([20], Theorem 3.4), every Hilbert algebra is a KU-algebra ([20], Theorem 3.5) and a self-distributive KU-algebra is equivalent to a Hilbert algebra ([20]). Iampan constructed PU-algebra as a generalization of KU-algebra in [19] in 2017 and showed that each KU-algebra is a PU-algebra.

In article [23], the author designed the concepts of pseudo-UP ([23], Definition 3.1) and pseudo-KU-algebras ([23], Definition 4.1) and showed that each pseudo-KU algebra is a pseudo-UP algebra ([23], Theorem 4.1). However, the term 'pseudo KU-algebra' and mark 'PKU' has already been used in [24] for different purposes. It should be noted here that this term 2019 has been renamed to 'JU-algebra' ([25]). Although introducing the term 'pseudo-KU algebra' as a name for a structure constructed in the manner described here and using the abbreviation 'pKU' for this algebra can lead to confusion, we did it for needs of article [23] and of this paper.

In this paper we develop the concept in more detail of pseudo-KU algebras and we identify some of the main features of this type of universal algebras. The paper was designed as follows: After the Section 2, which outlines the necessary previous terms, Section 3 introduces the concept of pseudo-KU algebra and analyzes some of its important properties. In Section 4, the concept of pseudo-KU algebras is linked to the concepts of pseudo-UP and pseudo-BE algebras. Section 5 deals with some substructures of this class of algebras such as pseudo-subalgebras, pseudo-ideals and pseudo-filters. Finally, in Section 6, the concepts of pseudo-homomorphisms and congruences on pseudo-KU algebras are analyzed.

## 2. Preliminaries

In this section we will describe some elements of KU-algebras from the literature [15,16] necessary for our intentions in this text.

**Definition 1.** ([15]) An algebra  $A = (A, \cdot, 0)$  of type  $(2, 0)$  is called a KU-algebra where  $A$  is a nonempty set,  $\cdot$  is a binary operation on  $A$ , and  $0$  is a fixed element of  $A$  (i.e. a nullary operation) if it satisfies the following axioms:

- (KU-1)  $(\forall x, y, z \in A)((x \cdot y) \cdot ((y \cdot z) \cdot (x \cdot z)) = 0)$ ,
- (KU-2)  $(\forall x \in A)(0 \cdot x = x)$ ,
- (KU-3)  $(\forall x \in A)(x \cdot 0 = 0)$ , and
- (KU-4)  $(\forall x, y \in A)((x \cdot y = 0 \wedge y \cdot x = 0) \implies x = y)$ .

On a KU-algebra  $A = (A, \cdot, 0)$ , we define the KU-ordering  $\leq$  on  $A$  as follows ([15], pp. 56):

$$(\forall x, y \in A)(x \leq y \iff y \cdot x = 0).$$

**Lemma 1.** In a KU-algebra  $A$ , the following properties hold:

- (1)  $(\forall x \in A)(x \leq x)$ ,
- (2)  $(\forall x, y \in A)((x \leq y \wedge y \leq x) \implies x = y)$ ,
- (3)  $(\forall x, y, z \in A)((x \leq y \wedge y \leq z) \implies x \leq z)$ ,
- (4)  $(\forall x, y, z \in A)(x \leq y \implies z \cdot x \leq z \cdot y)$ ,
- (5)  $(\forall x, y, z \in A)(x \leq y \implies y \cdot z \leq x \cdot z)$ ,
- (6)  $(\forall x, y \in A)(x \cdot y \leq y)$  and
- (7)  $(\forall x \in A)(0 \leq x)$ .

**Definition 2.** ([15]) Let  $S$  be a non-empty subset of a KU-algebra  $A$ .

- (a) The subset  $S$  is said to be a KU-subalgebra of  $A$  if  $(S, \cdot, 0)$  is a KU-algebra.
- (b) The subset  $S$  is said to be an ideal of  $A$  if it satisfies the following conditions:
  - (J1)  $0 \in S$ , and
  - (J2)  $(\forall x, y, z \in A)((x \cdot (y \cdot z) \in S \wedge y \in S) \implies x \cdot z \in S)$ .

As shown in [18], this kind of algebra satisfies one specific equality.

**Lemma 2** ([18]). In a KU-algebra  $A$ , the following holds:

$$(KU-5) (\forall x, y, z \in A)(z \cdot (y \cdot x) = y \cdot (z \cdot x)).$$

In the light of the previous equality, condition (J2) is transformed into condition:

$$(J3) (\forall x, y \in A)((x \cdot y \in S \wedge x \in S) \implies y \in S).$$

Indeed, if we put  $x = 0$ ,  $y = x$  and  $z = y$  in (J2), we immediately obtain (J3) by (KU-2). Conversely, let (J3) be a valid formula and let  $x, y, z \in A$  be arbitrary elements such that  $x \cdot (y \cdot z) \in J$  and  $y \in J$ . Then  $y \cdot (x \cdot z) \in J$  by (KU-5). Thus  $x \cdot z \in J$  by (J3).

From (J3) it immediately follows:

**Lemma 3.** Let  $S$  be an ideal in a KU-algebra  $A$ . Then

$$(J4) (\forall x, y \in A)((x \leq y \wedge y \in S) \implies x \in S).$$

We can introduce the concept of filters in KU-algebra if formula (J3) serves as a motivation.

**Definition 3.** The subset  $F$  is said to be a *filter* of  $A$  if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (F1)  $0 \in F$ , and  
 (F3)  $(\forall x, y \in A)((x \cdot y \in F \wedge y \in F) \implies x \in F)$ .

A filter in KU-algebra, designed in this way, has the following property:

**Lemma 4.** Let  $F$  be a filter in a KU-algebra  $A$ . Then

- (F4)  $(\forall x, y \in A)((x \leq y \wedge x \in F) \implies y \in F)$ .

### 3. Concept of pseudo-KU algebra

**Definition 4.** ([23]) An algebra  $\mathfrak{A} = ((A, \leq), \cdot, *, 0)$  of type  $(2, 2, 0)$  is called a *pseudo-KU algebra* if it satisfies the following axioms:

- (pKU-1):  $(\forall x, y, z \in A)((y \cdot x) \leq ((x \cdot z) * (y \cdot z)) \wedge (y * x) \leq ((x * z) \cdot (y * z)))$ ,  
 (pKU-2):  $(\forall x \in A)((0 \cdot x = x) \wedge (0 * x = x))$ ,  
 (pKU-3):  $(\forall x \in A)(x \leq 0)$ ,  
 (pKU-4):  $(\forall x, y \in A)((x \leq y \wedge y \leq x) \implies x = y)$ , and  
 (pKU-5):  $(\forall x, y \in A)((x \leq y \iff x \cdot y = 0) \wedge (x \leq y \iff x * y = 0))$ .

**Remark 1.** We emphasize that in pseudo-KU algebra the relation of the order is determined inversely with respect to the definition of the order in the KU-algebra.

**Lemma 5.** If  $\mathfrak{A}$  is a pseudo-KU algebra, then

- (pKU-6)  $(\forall x \in A)((x \cdot x = 0) \wedge (x * x = 0))$ .

**Proof.** If we put  $x = 0, y = 0$ , and  $z = x$  in the formula (pKU-1), we get

$$(0 \cdot 0) * ((0 \cdot x) * (0 \cdot x)) = 0 \wedge (0 * 0) \cdot ((0 * x) \cdot (0 * x)) = 0.$$

From where we get

$$x \cdot x = 0 \wedge x * x = 0$$

with respect to (pKU-2).  $\square$

**Proposition 1.** If  $\mathfrak{A}$  is a pseudo-KU algebra, then

- (11)  $(\forall x, y, z \in A)(x \leq y \implies ((y \cdot z \leq x \cdot z) \wedge (y * z \leq x * z)))$  and  
 (12)  $(\forall x, y, z \in A)(x \leq y \implies ((z \cdot x \leq z \cdot y) \wedge (z * x \leq z * y)))$ .

**Proof.** Let  $x, y, z \in A$  such that  $x \leq y$ . Then  $x \cdot y = 0 = x * y$ . If we put  $x = y$  and  $y = x$  in (pKU-1), we get

$$0 = (x \cdot y) * ((y \cdot z) * (x \cdot z)) = 0 * ((y \cdot z) * (x \cdot z)) = (y \cdot z) * (x \cdot z).$$

So, we have  $y \cdot z \leq x \cdot z$ . Similarly, we have

$$0 = (x * y) \cdot ((y * z) \cdot (x * z)) = 0 \cdot ((y * z) \cdot (x * z)) = (y * z) \cdot (x * z)$$

and  $y * z \leq z * x$ .

On the other hand, if we put  $z = y$  and  $y = z$  in (pKU-1), we have

$$0 = (z \cdot x) * ((x \cdot y) * (z \cdot y)) = (z \cdot x) * ((0 * (z \cdot y)) = (z \cdot x) * (z \cdot y).$$

This means  $z \cdot x \leq z \cdot y$ . It can be similarly proved that it is  $z * x \leq z * y$ .  $\square$

In 2011, Mostafa, Naby and Yousef proved Lemma 2.2 in [18]. In the following Proposition, we show that analogous equality is also valid in pseudo-KU algebras.

**Proposition 2.** In pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ , then

- (pKU)  $(\forall x, y, z \in A)(x * (y \cdot z) = y * (x \cdot z) \wedge x \cdot (y * z) = y \cdot (x * z))$

is valid formula.

**Proof.** If we put  $y = 0$  in (pKU-1), we have

$$0 \cdot x \leq (x \cdot z) * (0 \cdot z).$$

Then, we have  $x \leq (x \cdot z) * z$ . From here it follows

$$((x \cdot z) * z) \cdot (y * z) \leq x \cdot (y * z)$$

by (11). On the other hand, if we put  $x = z \cdot z$  in (pKU-1), we get

$$y * (x \cdot z) \leq ((x \cdot z) * z) \cdot (y * z) \leq x \cdot (y * z).$$

Since the variables  $x, y, z \in A$  are free variables, if we put  $x = y$  and  $y = x$ , we get an inverse inequality. From here it follows (pKU) by (pKU-4).

The other equality can be proved in an analogous way.  $\square$

#### 4. Correlation of pseudo-KU algebras with other types of pseudo algebras

The notion of pseudo-UP algebra as a generalization of the concept of UP-algebras was introduced and analyzed in [23].

**Definition 5.** ([23]) A pseudo-UP algebra is a structure  $\mathfrak{A} = ((A, \leq), \cdot, *, 0)$ , where ' $\leq$ ' is a binary relation on a set  $A$ , ' $\cdot$ ' and ' $*$ ' are internal binary operations on  $A$  and ' $0$ ' is an element of  $A$ , verifying the following axioms:

$$(pUP-1) (\forall x, yz \in A)(y \cdot z \leq (x \cdot y) * (x \cdot z) \wedge y * z \leq (x * y) \cdot (x * z));$$

$$(pUP-4) (\forall x, y \in A)((x \leq y \wedge y \leq x) \implies x = y);$$

$$(pUP-5) (\forall x, y \in A)((y \cdot 0) * x = x \wedge (y * 0) \cdot x = x) \text{ and}$$

$$(pUP-6) (\forall x, y \in A)((x \leq y \iff x \cdot y = 0) \wedge (x \leq y \iff x * y = 0)).$$

The following theorem is an important result of pseudo-KU algebras for study in the connections between pseudo-UP algebras and pseudo-KU algebras.

**Theorem 1.** Any pseudo-KU algebra is a pseudo-UP algebra.

**Proof.** It only needs to show (pUP-1). By Proposition 2, we have that any pseudo-KU algebra satisfies (pUP-1).  $\square$

Pseudo-BE algebra is defined by the follows:

**Definition 6.** ([3]) An algebra  $A = (A, \cdot, *, 1)$  of type  $(2, 2, 0)$  is called a pseudo BE-algebra if satisfies in the following axioms:

$$(pBE-1) (\forall x \in A)(x \cdot x = 1 \wedge x * x = 1);$$

$$(pBE-2) (\forall x \in A)(x \cdot 1 = 1 \wedge x * 1 = 1);$$

$$(pBE-3) (\forall x \in A)(1 \cdot x = x \wedge 1 * x = x);$$

$$(pBE-4) (\forall x, y, z \in A)(x \cdot (y * z) = y * (x \cdot z)); \text{ and}$$

$$(pBE-5) (\forall x, y \in A)(x \cdot y = 1 \iff x * y = 1).$$

If we replace 1 with 0 in (BE-1), (BE-2), (BE-3) and (BE-5) and prove that the formula (pBE-4) is a valid formula in a pseudo-KU algebra  $A$ , we have proved that every pseudo-KU algebra  $A$  is a pseudo-BE algebra.

**Theorem 2.** Any pseudo-KU algebra is a pseudo-BE algebra.

**Proof.** It is sufficient to prove that the formula (pBE-4) is a valid formula in any pseudo-KU algebra. If we put  $y = 0$  in the left-hand side of the formula (pKU-1), we get  $0 \cdot x \leq ((x \cdot z) * (0 \cdot z))$ . It means  $x \leq (x \cdot z) * z$ . From here follows

$$((x \cdot z) * z) \cdot (y * z) \leq x \cdot (y * z),$$

by the left part of formula (11). On the other hand, if we put  $x = x \cdot z$  in the right-hand side of the formula (pKU-1), we get

$$y * (x \cdot z) \leq ((x \cdot z) * z) \cdot (y * z).$$

Which together with the previous inequality gives

$$y * (x \cdot z) \leq x \cdot (y * z).$$

From this inequality by substituting the variables  $x$  and  $y$ , we obtain the necessary reverse inequality

$$x \cdot (y * z) \leq y * (x \cdot z).$$

From these two inequalities follows the validity of the formula (pBE-4) in any pseudo-KU algebra by the axiom (pKU-4).  $\square$

Since the formula previously proven is important below, we point it out in particular.

**Proposition 3.** In any pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ ,

$$(pKU-7) (\forall x, y, z \in A)(x \cdot (y * z) = y * (x \cdot z))$$

is a valid formula.

## 5. Some substructures in pseudo-KU algebras

### 5.1. Concept of pseudo-subalgebras

**Definition 7.** A nonempty subset  $S$  of a pseudo-KU algebra  $A$  is a *pseudo-subalgebra* in  $\mathfrak{A}$  if

$$(\forall x, y \in A)((x \in S \wedge y \in S) \implies (x \cdot y \in S \wedge x * y \in S)).$$

holds.

Putting  $y = x$  in the previous definition, it immediately follows:

**Lemma 6.** If  $S$  is a pseudo-subalgebra of a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ , then  $0 \in S$ .

**Proof.** Let  $S$  be a pseudo-subalgebra of a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ . It means that  $S$  is a nonempty subset of  $A$ . Then there exists an element  $y \in S$ . Thus  $0 = y \cdot y = y * y \in S$  by Definition 7.  $\square$

It is clear that subsets  $\{0\}$  and  $A$  are pseudo-subalgebras of a pseudo-KU algebras  $\mathfrak{A}$ . So, the family  $\mathfrak{S}(A)$  of all pseudo-subalgebras of a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  is not empty. Without major difficulties, the following theorem can be proved.

**Theorem 3.** The family  $\mathfrak{S}(A)$  of all pseudo-subalgebras of a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  forms a complete lattice.

### 5.2. Concept of pseudo-ideals

**Definition 8.** The subset  $J$  is said to be a *pseudo-ideal* of a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  if it satisfies the following conditions:

$$(pJ1) \quad 0 \in J,$$

$$(pJ3a) (\forall x, y \in A)((x \cdot y \in J \wedge x \in J) \implies y \in J) \text{ and}$$

$$(pJ3b) (\forall x, y \in A)((x * y \in J \wedge x \in J) \implies y \in J).$$

**Proposition 4.** Let  $J$  be a nonempty subset of a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Then the condition (pJ3a) is equivalent to the condition:

$$(pJ4a) (\forall x, y, z \in A)((x * (y \cdot z) \in J \wedge y \in J) \implies x * z \in J).$$

**Proof.** Putting  $x = y$  and  $y = x * z$  in the condition (pJ3a), it immediately follows

$$(\forall x, y, z \in A)((y \cdot (x * z) \in J \wedge y \in J) \implies x * z \in J).$$

Thus

$$(\forall x, y, z \in A)((y * (x \cdot z) \in J \wedge y \in J) \implies x * z \in J)$$

by (pKU-7).

Conversely, let (pJ4a) it be. Let us choose  $x = 0, y = x$  and  $z = y$  in (pJ4a). We get  $(0 * (x \cdot y) \in J \wedge x \in J) \implies 0 * y \in J$ . Thus (pJ3a) by (pKU-2).  $\square$

**Corollary 4.** Let  $J$  be a pseudo-ideal in a pseudo-KU-algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Then

$$(13) (\forall x, y \in A)(y \in J \implies x * y \in J).$$

**Proof.** Putting  $z = y$  in (pJ4a), with respect to (pKU-6), (pKU-3) and (pJ1), we obtain (13).  $\square$

**Proposition 5.** Let  $J$  be a nonempty subset of a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Then the condition (pJ3b) is equivalent to the condition

$$(pJ4b) (\forall x, y, z \in A)((x \cdot (y * z) \in J \wedge y \in J) \implies x \cdot z).$$

**Proof.** If we put  $x = y$  and  $y = x \cdot z$  in (pJ3b), we get

$$(y * (x \cdot z) \in J \wedge y \in J) \implies x \cdot z \in J.$$

Hence

$$(x \cdot (x * z) \in J \wedge y \in J) \implies x \cdot z \in J.$$

by (pKU-7).

Conversely, if we put  $x = 0, y = x$ , and  $z = y$  in (pJ4b), we get

$$(0 \cdot (x * y) \in J \wedge x \in J) \implies 0 \cdot y \in J.$$

Thus (pJ3b) with respect to (pKU-2).  $\square$

**Corollary 5.** Let  $J$  be a pseudo-ideal in a pseudo-KU-algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Then

$$(14) (\forall x, y \in A)(y \in J \implies x \cdot y \in J).$$

**Proof.** Putting  $z = y$  in (pJ4b), with respect to (pKU-6), (pKU-3) and (pJ1), we obtain (14).  $\square$

The following important statement describes the connection between conditions (pJ3a) and (pJ3b).

**Proposition 6.** Let  $J$  be a pseudo-ideal of a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Then

$$(pJ3a) \iff (pJ3b).$$

**Proof.**  $(pJ3a) \iff (pJ3b)$ . Suppose (pJ3a) holds and let  $x * y \in J$  and  $x \in J$ . How obvious it is that the following

$$x * ((x \cdot y) * y) = 0 \iff x \cdot ((x \cdot y) * x) = 0 \iff (x \cdot y) * (x \cdot y) = 0$$

is valid, we have

$$(x \in J \wedge x \cdot ((x * u) \cdot y) = 0 \in J) \implies (x * y) \cdot y \in J.$$

Now

$$(x * y \in J \wedge (x * y) \cdot y \in J) \implies y \in J.$$

We have proved that (pJ3b) is a valid implication.

$(pJ3b) \implies (pJ3a)$ . Let (pJ3b) be a valid formula and let  $x, y \in A$  be such that  $x \in J$  and  $x \cdot y \in J$ . As above, from

$$x * ((x \cdot y) * y) = 0 \iff x \cdot ((x \cdot y) * y) = 0 \iff (x \cdot y) * (x \cdot y) = 0$$

it follows

$$(x \in J \wedge x * ((x \cdot y) * y) = 0 \in J) \implies (x \cdot y) * y \in J.$$

Now,  $x \cdot y \in J$  and  $(x \cdot y) * y$  it follows  $y \in J$ . This proves the validity of the formula (pJ3a).  $\square$

**Proposition 7.** Any pseudo-ideal in a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  is a pseudo-subalgebra in  $\mathfrak{A}$ .

**Proof.** The proof of this proposition follows from (13) and (14).  $\square$

**Theorem 6.** The family  $\mathfrak{J}(A)$  of all pseudo-ideals in a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  forms a complete lattice and  $\mathfrak{J}(A) \subseteq \mathfrak{S}(A)$  holds.

**Proof.** Let  $\{J_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a family of pseudo-ideals in a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Clearly  $0 \in \bigcap_{i \in I} J_i$  is valid. Let  $x, y \in A$  be elements such that  $x \cdot y \in \bigcap_{i \in I} J_i$ ,  $x * y \in \bigcap_{i \in I} J_i$  and  $x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} J_i$ . Then  $x \cdot y \in J_i$ ,  $x * y \in J_i$  and  $x \in J_i$  for any  $i \in I$ . Thus  $y \in J_i$  because  $J_i$  is a pseudo-ideal in  $\mathfrak{A}$  and  $x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} J_i$ . So,  $\bigcap_{i \in I} J_i$  is a pseudo-ideal in  $\mathfrak{A}$ .

If  $\mathfrak{X}$  is the family of all pseudo-ideals of  $\mathfrak{A}$  that contain the union  $\bigcup_{i \in I} J_i$ , then  $\bigcap \mathfrak{X}$  is also a pseudo-ideal in  $\mathfrak{A}$  that contains  $\bigcup_{i \in I} J_i$  by previous evidence.

If we put  $\bigcap_{i \in I} J_i = \bigcap_{i \in I} J_i$  and  $\bigcup_{i \in I} J_i = \bigcap \mathfrak{X}$ , then  $(\mathfrak{J}(A), \cap, \cup)$  is a complete lattice.  $\square$

To round out this subsection we need the following lemma.

**Lemma 7.** Let  $J$  be a pseudo-ideal in a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Then

$$(15) (\forall x, y \in A)((x \leq y \wedge x \in J) \implies y \in J).$$

**Proof.** The proof of this proposition follows from (pJ3a) (or (pJ3b)) with respect to (pKU-6) and (pJ1).  $\square$

**Theorem 7.** Let  $J$  be a subset of a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  such that  $0 \in J$ . Then,  $J$  is a pseudo-ideal in  $\mathfrak{A}$  if and only if the following holds

$$(pJ5) (\forall x, y, z \in A)((x \in A \wedge y \in A \wedge x \leq y \cdot z) \implies z \in J).$$

**Proof.** Let  $J$  be a pseudo-ideal in  $\mathfrak{A}$  and let  $x, y, z \in A$  such that  $x \in J$ ,  $y \in J$  and  $x \leq y \cdot z$ . Then  $x \cdot (y \cdot z) = 0 \in J$ . Thus  $y \cdot z \in J$  by (pJ3a) and again, from here and  $y \in J$  it follows  $z \in J$ . So, we have shown that (pJ5) is a valid formula.

Opposite, suppose that (pJ5) is a valid in  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Let us show that  $J$  is a pseudo-ideal and  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Let  $x, y \in A$  be such that  $x \in J$  and  $x \cdot y \in J$ . Then  $x * y \in J$  by Proposition 6. On the other hand, from  $x \cdot ((x * y) \cdot y) = 0$ , i.e. from  $x \leq (x * y) \cdot y$  it follows  $y \in J$  by hypothesis. So, the set  $J$  is a pseudo-ideal in  $\mathfrak{A}$ .  $\square$

For a relation on the set  $A$  we say that it is a quasi-order relation on  $A$  if it is reflexive and transitive. It is easy to prove that if  $\sigma$  is a quasi-order relation on  $A$ , then the relation  $\sigma \cap \sigma^{-1}$  is an equivalence on  $A$ .

**Theorem 8.** Let  $J$  be a pseudo-ideal in a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Then the relation  $' \preceq '$ , defined by

$$(\forall x, y \in A)(x \preceq y \iff x \cdot y \in J),$$

is a quasi-order in the set  $A$  left compatible and right reverse compatible with the internal operations in  $\mathfrak{A}$ .

**Proof.** Since  $x \cdot x = 0 \in J$  is valid in  $\mathfrak{A}$  for any  $x \in A$ , it is clear that  $' \preceq '$  is a reflexive relation in the set  $A$ .

Let  $x, y, z \in A$  be arbitrary elements such that  $x \preceq y$  and  $y \preceq z$ . This means  $x \cdot y \in J$  and  $y \cdot z \in J$ . From inequality (pKU-1) in the form  $x \cdot y \leq (y \cdot z) * (x \cdot z)$  and  $x \cdot y \in J$  it follows  $(y \cdot z) * (x \cdot z) \in J$  according to (15). From here and from  $y \cdot z \in J$  it follows  $x \cdot z \in J$  according to (pJ3a). Hence, the relation  $' \preceq '$  is transitive. So, this relation is a quasi-order in  $A$ .

Let  $x, y, z \in A$  be such  $x \preceq y$ . Then  $x \cdot y \in J$  and  $x * y \in J$ .

(i) If we put  $x = y$  and  $y = x$  in the left part of the formula (pKU-1), we get  $x \cdot y \leq (y \cdot z) * (x \cdot z)$ . Now, from here and  $x \cdot y \in J$  it follows  $(y \cdot z) * (x \cdot z) \in J$  by (15). Thus  $(y \cdot z) \cdot (x \cdot z) \in J$  by Proposition 6. Finally, we have  $y \cdot z \preceq x \cdot z$ . So, the relation  $' \preceq '$  is reverse right compatible with the internal operation  $' \cdot '$  in  $\mathfrak{A}$ .

(ii) If we put  $x = y$  and  $y = x$  in the right part of the formula (pKU-1), we get  $x * y \leq (y * z) \cdot (x * z)$ . Then  $(y * z) \cdot (x * z) \in J$  by (15). Thus  $y * z \preceq x * z$ . Therefore, the relation  $' \preceq '$  is reverse right compatible with the internal operation  $' * '$  in  $\mathfrak{A}$ .

(iii) Let us put  $y = z$  and  $z = y$  in the left part of the formula (pKU-1). We get  $(z \cdot x) * ((x \cdot y) * (z \cdot y)) = 0 \in J$ . From here and from  $x \cdot y \in J$  it follows  $(z \cdot x) * (z \cdot y) \in J$  by (pJ4a). Thus  $z \cdot x \preceq z \cdot y$ . So, the relation  $' \preceq '$  is left compatible with the operation  $' \cdot '$ .

(iv) Let us put  $y = z$  and  $z = y$  in the right part of the formula (pKU-1). We get  $(z * x) \cdot ((x * y) \cdot (z * y)) = 0 \in J$ . From here and from  $x * y \in J$  it follows  $(z * x) \cdot (z * y) \in J$  by (pJ4b). Thus  $z * x \preceq z * y$ . So, the relation ' $\preceq$ ' is left compatible with the operation ' $*$ '.  $\square$

### 5.3. Concept of pseudo-filters

**Definition 9.** A non-empty subset  $F$  of a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  is called a *pseudo-filter* of  $A$  if it satisfies in the following axioms:

$$(pF1) 0 \in F;$$

$$(pF3) (\forall x, y \in A)((x \cdot y \in F \wedge x * y \in F \wedge y \in F) \implies x \in F).$$

$\{0\}$  and  $A$  are pseudo-filters of  $\mathfrak{A}$ . So, the family  $\mathfrak{F}(A)$  of all pseudo-filters in a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  is not empty.

It is obviously the following is valid

**Lemma 8.** Let  $F$  be a pseudo-filter in a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Then

$$(16) (\forall x, y \in A)((x \leq y \wedge y \in F) \implies x \in F).$$

**Theorem 9.** The family  $\mathfrak{F}(A)$  of all pseudo-ideals in a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  forms a complete lattice.

**Proof.** Let  $\{F_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a family of pseudo-filters in a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Clearly  $0 \in \bigcap_{i \in I} F_i$  is valid. Let  $x, y \in A$  be elements such that  $x \cdot y \in \bigcap_{i \in I} F_i$ ,  $x * y \in \bigcap_{i \in I} F_i$  and  $y \in \bigcap_{i \in I} F_i$ . Then  $x \cdot y \in F_i$ ,  $x * y \in F_i$  and  $y \in F_i$  for any  $i \in I$ . Thus  $x \in F_i$  because  $F_i$  is a pseudo-filter in  $\mathfrak{A}$  and  $x \in \bigcap_{i \in I} F_i$ . So,  $\bigcap_{i \in I} F_i$  is a pseudo-filter in  $\mathfrak{A}$ .

If  $\mathfrak{X}$  is the family of all pseudo-filters of  $\mathfrak{A}$  that contain the union  $\bigcup_{i \in I} F_i$ , then  $\bigcap \mathfrak{X}$  is also a pseudo-filter in  $\mathfrak{A}$  that contains  $\bigcup_{i \in I} F_i$  by previous evidence.

If we put  $\bigcap_{i \in I} F_i = \bigcap_{i \in I} F_i$  and  $\bigcup_{i \in I} F_i = \bigcap \mathfrak{X}$ , then  $(\mathfrak{F}(A), \cap, \cup)$  is a complete lattice.  $\square$

## 6. Concept of pseudo-homomorphisms

**Definition 10.**  $((A, \leq_A), \cdot_A, *_A, 0_A)$  and  $((B, \leq_B), \cdot_B, *_B, 0_B)$  be pseudo-KU algebras. A mapping  $f : A \longrightarrow B$  of pseudo-KU algebras is called a *pseudo-homomorphism* if

$$(\forall x, y \in A)(f(x \cdot_A y) =_B f(x) \cdot_B f(y) \wedge f(x *_A y) =_B f(x) *_B f(y)).$$

**Remark 2.** Note that if  $f : A \longrightarrow B$  is a pseudo homomorphism, then  $f(0_A) = 0_B$ . Indeed, if we chose  $y = x$ , from the previous formula we immediately get  $f(0_A) =_B 0_B$  with respect (pKU-6).

From here it immediately follows:

**Lemma 9.** Any pseudo-homomorphism between pseudo-KU algebras is isotone mapping.

**Proof.** Let  $f : A \longrightarrow B$  be a pseudo-homomorphism between pseudo-KU algebras and let  $x, y \in A$  be such  $x \leq_A y$ . Then  $x \cdot_A y =_A 0_A$ . Thus  $0_B =_B f(x \cdot_A y) =_B f(x) \cdot_B f(y)$ . This means  $f(x) \leq_B f(y)$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 10.** Let  $f : A \longrightarrow B$  be a pseudo-homomorphism between pseudo-KU algebras. Then the set  $\text{Ker}(f) =_A \{x \in A : f(x) =_B 0_B\}$  is a pseudo-ideal in  $\mathfrak{A}$ .

**Proof.** It is obvious  $0_A \in \text{Ker}(f)$ .

Let  $x, y \in A$  be such  $x \cdot_A y \in \text{Ker}(f)$  and  $x \in \text{Ker}(f)$ . Then  $f(x) =_B 0_B$  and  $0 =_B f(x \cdot_A y) =_B f(x) \cdot_B f(y) =_B 0_B \cdot_B f(y) =_B f(y)$ . Thus  $y \in \text{Ker}(f)$ .

The implication of  $x *_A y \in \text{Ker}(f) \wedge x \in \text{Ker}(f) \implies y \in \text{Ker}(f)$  can be proved by analogy with the previous proof.  $\square$

The following statement is easy to prove:

**Lemma 11.** If  $f : A \longrightarrow B$  is a pseudo-homomorphism between pseudo-KU algebras, then  $f(A)$  is a pseudo-subalgebra in  $B$ .



**Proposition 8.** Let  $f : A \longrightarrow B$  be a pseudo homomorphism between pseudo-KU algebras  $\mathfrak{A}$  and  $\mathfrak{B}$ .

- (i) If  $K$  is a pseudo-ideal in  $\mathfrak{B}$ , then  $f^{-1}(K)$  is a pseudo-ideal in  $\mathfrak{A}$ .
- (ii) If  $G$  is a pseudo-filter in  $\mathfrak{B}$ , then  $f^{-1}(G)$  is a pseudo-filter in  $\mathfrak{A}$ .

**Proof.** (i) Assume that  $K$  is a pseudo-filter of  $\mathfrak{B}$ . Obviously  $0_A \in f^{-1}(K)$ . Let  $x, y \in A$  be such  $x \cdot y \in f^{-1}(K)$  and  $x \in f^{-1}(K)$ . Then  $f(x) \cdot_B f(y) =_B f(x \cdot_A y) \in K$  and  $f(x) \in K$ . It follows that  $f(y) \in K$  by (pJ3a) since  $K$  is a pseudo-ideal in  $\mathfrak{B}$ . Therefore,  $y \in f^{-1}(K)$ . Thus, the set  $f^{-1}(K)$  satisfies the implication (pJ3a). That the set  $f^{-1}(K)$  satisfies the implication (pJ3b) can be proved in an analogous way. Therefore, the set  $f^{-1}(K)$  is a pseudo-ideal in  $\mathfrak{A}$ .

(ii) It is obvious  $0_A \in f^{-1}(G)$  again. Let  $x, y \in A$  be elements such that  $x \cdot_A y \in f^{-1}(G)$ ,  $x *_A y \in f^{-1}(G)$  and  $y \in f^{-1}(G)$ . Then  $f(x) \cdot_B f(y) =_B f(x \cdot_A y) \in G$ ,  $f(x) *_B f(y) =_B f(x *_A y) \in G$  and  $f(y) \in G$ . Thus  $f(x) \in G$  because  $G$  is a pseudo-filter in  $\mathfrak{B}$ . This means  $x \in f^{-1}(G)$ . So, the set  $f^{-1}(G)$  is a pseudo-filter in  $\mathfrak{A}$ .  $\square$

In the following definition, we will introduce the concept of congruence on pseudo-KU algebras. Since we have two unitary operations on this algebra, it is possible to determine three different types of congruences.

**Definition 11.** Let  $\mathfrak{A} = ((A, \leq), \cdot, *, 0)$  be a pseudo-KU algebra.

For the equivalence relation  $q$  on the set  $A$  we say that it is a congruence of type  $' \cdot '$  on  $\mathfrak{A}$  if it compatible with the operations  $' \cdot '$  in  $\mathfrak{A}$  in the following sense

$$(17) (\forall x, y, z \in A)((x, y) \in q \implies ((x \cdot z, y \cdot z) \in q \wedge (z \cdot x, z \cdot y) \in q)).$$

For the equivalence relation  $q$  on the set  $A$  we say that it is a congruence of type  $' * '$  on  $\mathfrak{A}$  if it compatible with the operations  $' * '$  in  $\mathfrak{A}$  in the following sense

$$(18) (\forall x, y, z \in A)((x, y) \in q \implies ((x * z, y * z) \in q \wedge (z * x, z * y) \in q)).$$

For the equivalence relation  $q$  on the set  $A$  we say that it is a congruence of common type on  $\mathfrak{A}$  if it is compatible with both operations in  $\mathfrak{A}$ .

**Lemma 12.** Let  $q$  be a relation on a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Then:

- (i) The condition (17) is equivalent to the condition

$$(17a) (\forall x, y, u, v \in A)((x, y) \in q \wedge (u, v) \in q \implies (x \cdot u, y \cdot v) \in q).$$

- (ii) The condition (18) is equivalent to the condition

$$(18a) (\forall x, y, u, v \in A)((x, y) \in q \wedge (u, v) \in q \implies (x * u, y * v) \in q).$$

**Proof.** (17a)  $\implies$  (17). If we choose  $v = z$  in (17a), we get the implication  $(x, y) \in q \implies (x \cdot z, y \cdot z) \in q$ . On the other hand, if we put  $x = y = z, u = x$  and  $v = y$  in (17a), we get the implication  $(x, y) \in q \implies (z \cdot x, z \cdot y) \in q$ .

(17)  $\implies$  (17a). Suppose (17) and let  $x, y, u, v \in A$  such that  $(x, y) \in q$  and  $(u, v) \in q$ . Thus  $(x \cdot u, x \cdot v) \in q$  and  $(x \cdot v, y \cdot v) \in q$  by (16). Hence  $(x \cdot u, y \cdot v) \in q$  by transitivity of  $q$ .

Equivalence (18)  $\iff$  (18a) can be proved analogous to the previous proof.  $\square$

Let  $f : A \longrightarrow B$  be a pseudo homomorphism between pseudo-KU algebras. By direct check without difficulty, it can be proved that the relation  $q_f$ , defined by

$$(\forall x, y \in A)((z, y) \in q_f \iff f(x) =_B f(y)),$$

is a congruence (all three types) on  $\mathfrak{A}$ .

**Theorem 10.** The relation  $q_f$  is a congruence of type  $' \cdot '$  (type  $' * '$ , common type) on the pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ .

**Proof.** We will only demonstrate the proof that  $q_f$  is a congruence of type  $' \cdot '$  on  $\mathfrak{A}$  because the evidence that  $q_f$  is a congruence of type  $' * '$  can obtain by analogy with the previous one, and the proof of common type is obtained by combining this two evidences.

Clearly,  $q_f$  is an equivalence relation on the set  $A$ . It remains to verify that (16) is a valid formula in  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Let  $x, y, u, v \in A$  be such that  $(x, y) \in q_f$  and  $(u, v) \in q_f$ . Then  $f(x) =_B f(y)$  and  $f(u) =_B f(v)$ . Thus

$$f(x \cdot_A u) =_B f(x) \cdot_B f(u) =_B f(y) \cdot_B f(v) =_B f(y \cdot_A u).$$

Hence,  $(x \cdot_A u, y \cdot_A v) \in q_f$ . We proved that (17a) is a valid formula. So  $q_f$  is a congruence of type ' $\cdot$ ' on  $\mathfrak{A}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 11.** Let  $J$  be a pseudo-ideal in a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Then the relation  $q_J$ , defined by  $q_J = \preceq \cap \preceq^{-1}$ , is a congruence of common type in  $\mathfrak{A}$ .

**Proof.** The relation  $q$  is an equivalence relation on the set  $A$ . It is sufficient to prove that  $q$  is compatible with operations in  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Since the relation  $\preceq$  is left compatible and right reverse compatible with the internal operations in  $\mathfrak{A}$ , by Theorem 8, it is clear that the relation  $q_J$  is a congruence on  $\mathfrak{A}$ .  $\square$

For a congruence  $q$  on a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  we denote  $qx = \{y \in A : (x, y) \in q\} = [x]$ . Let's define ' $\bullet$ ' and ' $\star$ ' in  $A/q$  on this way

$$(\forall x, y \in A)([x] \bullet [y] = [x \cdot y]) \text{ and } (\forall x, y \in A)([x] \star [y] = [x \star y]).$$

Without much difficulty it can be verified that the functions ' $\bullet$ ' and ' $\star$ ', defined in this way, are well-defined internal binary operations in  $A/q$ . Also, one can check that the set  $A/q$  with the operations ' $\bullet$ ' and ' $\star$ ', determined as above, satisfies all the axioms of Definition 4 except the axiom (pKU-4). However, if we take the relation  $q_J$ , defined by an pseudo-ideal  $J$  of a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ , then we have

**Theorem 12.** Let  $J$  be a pseudo-ideal in a pseudo-KU algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Then the structure  $((A/q, \leq), \bullet, \star, [0])$ , where ' $\leq$ ' is defined by

$$(\forall x, y \in A)([x] \leq [y], \iff x \preceq y),$$

is a pseudo-KU algebra, too.

**Proof.** According to the commentary preceding this theorem, to prove this theorem it suffices to show that the structure  $((A/q, \leq), \bullet, \star, [0])$  satisfies the axiom (pKU-4).

Let  $x, y \in A$  be such  $[x] \leq [y]$  and  $[y] \leq [x]$ . Then  $x \preceq y$  and  $y \preceq x$  by definition. Thus  $(x, y) \in q_J$  and  $[x] = [y]$ .  $\square$

Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  be pseudo-homomorphism between pseudo-KU algebras  $((A, \leq_A), \cdot_A, *_A, 0_A)$  and  $((B, \leq_B), \cdot_B, *_B, 0_B)$ . Then the set  $f(A)$  is a pseudo-subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{B}$  by and the set  $J = \text{Ker}(f)$  is a pseudo-ideal in  $\mathfrak{A}$  by Lemma 10 and the relation  $q_f$  is a congruence on  $\mathfrak{A}$  by Theorem 10. If  $(x, y) \in q_f$  holds soe some  $x, y \in A$ , we have  $f(x) =_B f(y)$ . Thus  $f(x \cdot_A y) =_B f(x) \cdot_B f(y) =_B f(x) \cdot_B f(x) =_B 0_B$ , i.e.  $x \cdot_A y \in J$ . Analogous to the previous one may be shown that  $y \cdot_A x \in J$  holds. Thus,  $(x, y) \in q_f \implies (x, y) \in q_J$  is valid.

We end this section with the following theorem. Since this theorem can be proven by direct verification, we will omit evidence for it.

**Theorem 13.** Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  be pseudo-homomorphism between pseudo-KU algebras  $((A, \leq_A), \cdot_A, *_A, 0_A)$  and  $((B, \leq_B), \cdot_B, *_B, 0_B)$ . Then there exists the unique epimorphism  $\pi : A \rightarrow A/q_f$ , defined by  $\pi(x) = [x]$  for any  $x \in A$ , and the unique monomorphism  $g : A/q_f \rightarrow B$ , defined by  $g([x]) =_B f(x)$  for any  $x \in A$  such that  $f = g \circ \pi$ .

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