

On congruences of certain modular generalized MS-algebras

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Abstract:

In this paper, we define and characterize the concept of K_2 -congruence pairs of modular generalized MS-algebras from the subclass \underline{K}_2 (briefly \underline{K}_2 -algebras) due to A. Badawy [1]. We observe that every congruence relation θ of a \underline{K}_2 -algebra L with $L^V = [d]$ associated with a unique \underline{K}_2 -congruence pair (θ_1, θ_2) where θ_1 is a congruence on the Kleene algebra L° and θ_2 is a lattice congruence on the modular lattice L^V . Also, we investigate special \underline{K}_2 -congruence pairs of a \underline{K}_2 -algebra L using its Boolean elements and derive their properties. We study the concept of n -permutability of a \underline{K}_2 -algebra L with $L^V = [d]$ in terms of \underline{K}_2 -congruence pairs.

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Introduction

T.S. Blyth and J.C. Varlet [9] introduced the class **MS** of all *MS*-algebras which generalized the classes **M** of all de Morgan algebras and **S** of all Stone algebras. In [10] T.S. Blyth and J.C. Varlet characterized all subvarieties of the class **MS** in terms of identities. Also, T.S. Blyth and J.C. Varlet [12,13] constructed *MS*-algebras from the subclass **K₂** by means of quadruples. T. Katriňák and et al. [19],[20] introduced the construction of modular *p*-algebras and *MS*-algebras by means of tripls, respectively. Later, M. Haviar [18] presented a simple quadruple construction of *K₂*-algebras with $L^V = [d]$.

D. Ševčovič [22] investigated the class **GMS** of generalized *MS*-algebras (briefly *GMS*-algebras) which containing the classes modular **GMS** of all modular *GMS*-algebras, **GM** of all generalized de Morgan algebras, modular **GM** of all modular *GM*-algebras and **S** of all modular *S*-algebras. A. Badawy [1] introduced and constructed a certain class of modular *GMS*-algebras so called *K₂*-algebras from Kleene algebras and modular lattices by means of *K₂*-quadruples. Also, A. Badawy [2] introduced and constructed principal generalized *K₂*-algebras (briefly principal *GK₂*-algebras) from generalized Kleene algebras and bounded lattices by means of triples.

Several authors introduced and characterized the concept of congruence pairs of different algebras as *MS*-algebras and *p*-algebras (see [3], [6], [8], [15] and [16]).

The aim of this paper is to introduce the notion of *K₂*-congruence pairs of a

K₂-algebra *L* with $L^V = [d]$. We show that every congruence relation θ on a *K₂*-algebra *L* with $L^V = [d]$ can be uniquely determined by a *K₂*-congruence pair (θ_1, θ_2) where $\theta_1 \in \text{Con}(L^\circ)$ and $\theta_2 \in \text{Con}(L^V)$. Moreover, we investigate special *K₂*-congruence pairs of a *K₂*-algebra *L* in terms of Boolean elements of *L*. Finally, we study *n*-permutability of *K₂*-algebras in terms of *K₂*-congruence pairs.

2 Preliminaries

In this section, we recall some basic definitions and results taken from [11], [14] and [17] which we need throughout this paper.

An *MS*-algebra is an algebra $(L; \vee, \wedge, \circ, 0, 1)$ of type $(2, 2, 1, 0, 0)$ where $(L; \vee, \wedge, 0, 1)$ is a bounded distributive lattice and the unary operation \circ satisfies:

$$x \leq x^{\circ\circ}, (x \wedge y)^\circ = x^\circ \vee y^\circ \text{ and } 1^\circ = 0.$$

A de Morgan algebra *M* is an *MS*-algebra satisfying the identity $x = x^{\circ\circ}$. A de Morgan algebra together with the identity $x \wedge x^\circ \leq y \vee y^\circ$ is called a Kleene algebra *K*. A Boolean algebra *B* is an *MS*-algebra satisfying the identity $x \vee x^\circ = 1$. An *MS*-algebra satisfying the identity $x \wedge x^\circ = 0$ is called a Stone algebra.

A *K₂*-algebra is an *MS*-algebra satisfying the following two identities:

$$x \wedge x^\circ = x^\circ \wedge x^{\circ\circ} \text{ and } x \wedge x^\circ \leq y \vee y^\circ.$$

A generalized *MS*-algebra (simply *GMS*-algebra) is an algebra $(L; \vee, \wedge, \circ, 0, 1)$ where $(L; \vee, \wedge, 0, 1)$ is a bounded lattice and the unary operation \circ satisfies the identities:

$$x \leq x^{\circ\circ}, (x \wedge y)^\circ = x^\circ \vee y^\circ \text{ and } 1^\circ = 0.$$

A generalized de Morgan algebra (or *GM*-algebra) is a *GMS*-algebra satisfies

the identity $x = x^{\circ\circ}$. A modular GM-algebra L is a GM-algebra where $(L; \vee, \wedge, 0, 1)$ is a modular lattice.

A modular GMS-algebra L is an GMS-algebra, where $(L; \vee, \wedge, 0, 1)$ is a modular lattice. The class of all GMS-algebras containing the classes of GM-algebras, modular GM-algebras and the class **S** of all modular S-algebras which characterized by the identity $x \wedge x^{\circ} = 0$.

Theorem 1 [22] For any two elements a, b of GMS-algebra L , we have

- (1) $0^{\circ} = 1$,
- (2) $a \leq b \Rightarrow b^{\circ} \leq a^{\circ}$,
- (3) $a^{\circ\circ} = a^{\circ}$,
- (4) $(a \vee b)^{\circ} = a^{\circ} \wedge b^{\circ}$,
- (5) $(a \wedge b)^{\circ\circ} = a^{\circ\circ} \wedge b^{\circ\circ}$,
- (6) $(a \vee b)^{\circ\circ} = a^{\circ\circ} \vee b^{\circ\circ}$.

The lattice $(F(L); \vee, \wedge)$ of all filters of L is distributive (modular) iff L is distributive (modular) lattice, where $F_1 \wedge F_2 = F_1 \cap F_2$ and $F_1 \vee F_2 = \{x \in L : x \geq f_1 \wedge f_2, \text{ for some } f_1 \in F_1 \text{ and } f_2 \in F_2\}$, for all $F_1, F_2 \in F(L)$.

A. Badawy [1], introduced \underline{K}_2 -algebras as a generalization of Kleene algebras and modular S-algebras (p-algebras satisfying the Stone identity $x^{\circ} \vee x^{\circ\circ} = 1$) as follows:

Definition 2 [1] A modular GMS-algebra L is called a \underline{K}_2 -algebra if $L^{\circ\circ}$ is a distributive lattice and L satisfies the identities $x \wedge x^{\circ} = x^{\circ} \wedge x^{\circ\circ}, x \wedge x^{\circ} \leq y \vee y^{\circ}$.

We will denote by \underline{K}_2 for the class of all \underline{K}_2 -algebras. It is clear that \underline{K}_2 contains the classes $\mathbf{K}_2, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{M}, \mathbf{K}, \mathbf{B}$ and

S.

Theorem 3 [1,4] Let L be a \underline{K}_2 -algebra. Then we have

- (1) $x = x^{\circ\circ} \wedge (x \vee x^{\circ}), \forall x \in L$,
- (2) $L^{\circ\circ} = \{x \in L : x = x^{\circ\circ}\}$ is a Kleene algebra,
- (3) $L^{\vee} = \{x \vee x^{\circ} : x \in L\} = \{x \in L : x \geq x^{\circ}\}$ is a filter of L ,
- (4) $L^{\wedge} = \{x \wedge x^{\circ} : x \in L\} = \{x \in L : x \leq x^{\circ}\}$ is an ideal of L ,
- (5) $D(L) = \{x \in L : x^{\circ} = 0\}$ is a filter of L , and $D(L) \subseteq L^{\vee}$.

Definition 4 [1] Let K be a Kleene algebra and D be a modular lattice with 1. A mapping $\varphi(a): K \rightarrow F(D)$ is called a polarization if φ is a $(0,1)$ -homomorphism such that $\varphi(a) = D$ for every $a \in K^{\vee}$ and $\varphi(a)$ is a principal filter of D for every $a \in K^{\wedge}$.

Let L be a \underline{K}_2 -algebra, $L^{\circ\circ}$ be a Kleene algebra and L^{\vee} is a modular lattice. Then $F(L^{\vee})$ is also a modular lattice. Define a map $\varphi_L: L^{\circ\circ} \rightarrow F(L^{\vee})$ such that

$$\varphi_L(a) = [a^{\circ}] \cap L^{\vee}, a \in L^{\circ\circ}.$$

Lemma 5 [1] Let $L \in \underline{K}_2$. Then $\varphi_L(L^{\circ\circ})$ is a polarization of $L^{\circ\circ}$ into $F(L^{\vee})$.

Definition 6 [12] An equivalence relation θ on a lattice L is called a lattice congruence if $(a, b) \in \theta, (c, d) \in \theta$ implies $(a \vee c, b \vee d) \in \theta, (a \wedge c, b \wedge d) \in \theta$.

Definition 7 [15] Let θ be a lattice congruence on a bounded lattice L . Then we have the following important



subsets

(i) The Kernel of θ (briefly $Ker \theta$) is the set $\{x \in L: (x, 0) \in \theta\}$, which is an ideal of L ,

(ii) The Cokernel of θ (briefly $Coker \theta$) is the set $\{x \in L: (x, 1) \in \theta\}$, which is a filter of L .

Definition 8 A lattice congruence θ on a \underline{K}_2 -algebra L is called a congruence if $(a, b) \in \theta$ implies $(a^\circ, b^\circ) \in \theta$.

For any \underline{K}_2 -algebra L , we denote the lattice of all congruences of L by $Con(L)$. If $\theta \in Con(L)$, then $\theta_{L^\circ} \in Con(L^\circ)$ and $\theta_{L^V} \in Con(L^V)$ are the restrictions of θ on L° and L^V , respectively. Clearly, $(\theta_{L^\circ}, \theta_{L^V}) \in Con(L^\circ) \times Con(L^V)$. Also, we denote the identity congruence and the universal congruence on L by Δ_L and ∇_L respectively, where $\Delta_L = \{(a, a) : a \in L\}$ and $\nabla_L = \{(x, y) : x, y \in L\}$.

For more information about congruences on lattices and MS-algebras, we refer the reader to [4], [5], and [7].

3 \underline{K}_2 -Congruence pairs of a \underline{K}_2 -algebra

In this section, we introduce the concept of \underline{K}_2 -congruence pairs of a \underline{K}_2 -algebra L , where L^V is a principal filter of L , that is, there exists $d \in L$ such that $L^V = [d]$. Many properties of \underline{K}_2 -congruence pairs will be investigated.

Lemma 9 Let L be a \underline{K}_2 -algebra with $L^V = [d]$. Then we have the following:

- (i) $x = x^{\circ\circ} \wedge (x \vee d), \forall x \in L$,
- (ii) $(a \wedge b) \vee d = (a \vee d) \wedge (b \vee d)$,

$$\forall a, b \in L^\circ,$$

$$(iii) (x \wedge y) \vee d = (x \vee d) \wedge (y \vee d),$$

$$\forall x, y \in L.$$

Proof. (i) For every $x \in L$ we have $x = x^{\circ\circ} \wedge (x \vee x^\circ)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} & x^{\circ\circ} \wedge (x \vee d) \\ &= x^{\circ\circ} \wedge ((x^{\circ\circ} \wedge (x \vee x^\circ)) \vee d) \\ &= x^{\circ\circ} \wedge ((x^{\circ\circ} \vee d) \wedge (x \vee x^\circ)), \\ & \text{by modularity of } L \text{ as } x \vee x^\circ \geq d \\ &= x^{\circ\circ} \wedge (x^{\circ\circ} \vee d) \wedge (x \vee x^\circ) \\ &= x^{\circ\circ} \wedge (x \vee x^\circ), \text{ by absorption law} \\ &= x. \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Let $a, b \in L^\circ$. Since $L^V = [d]$, then $\varphi_L(a) = [a^\circ \vee d]$ and $\varphi_L(b) = [b^\circ \vee d]$. Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} & (a \wedge b) \vee d \\ &= [(a^{\circ\circ} \wedge b^{\circ\circ}) \vee d], \text{ as } a = a^{\circ\circ}, b = b^{\circ\circ} \\ &= [(a^\circ \vee b^\circ)^\circ \vee d] \\ &= \varphi_L(a^\circ \vee b^\circ) \\ &= \varphi_L(a^\circ) \vee \varphi_L(b^\circ), \\ & \text{as } \varphi_L \text{ is a homomorphism} \\ &= [a^{\circ\circ} \vee d] \vee [b^{\circ\circ} \vee d] \\ &= [a \vee d] \vee [b \vee d], \text{ as } a = a^{\circ\circ}, b = b^{\circ\circ} \\ &= [(a \vee d) \wedge (b \vee d)]. \end{aligned}$$

Then $(a \wedge b) \vee d = (a \vee d) \wedge (b \vee d)$, $\forall a, b \in L^\circ$.

(iii) Let $x, y \in L$. Then $x = x^{\circ\circ} \wedge (x \vee x^\circ), y = y^{\circ\circ} \wedge (y \vee y^\circ)$. Thus by modularity of L with $(x \vee x^\circ), (y \vee y^\circ) \geq d$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} & (x \wedge y) \vee d \\ &= ((x^{\circ\circ} \wedge (x \vee x^\circ)) \wedge (y^{\circ\circ} \wedge (y \vee y^\circ))) \\ & \quad \vee d \\ &= ((x^{\circ\circ} \wedge y^{\circ\circ}) \wedge (x \vee x^\circ) \wedge (y \vee y^\circ)) \\ & \quad \vee d \\ &= ((x^{\circ\circ} \wedge y^{\circ\circ}) \vee d) \wedge ((x \vee x^\circ) \\ & \quad \wedge (y \vee y^\circ)), \text{ by modularity of } L \\ &= ((x^{\circ\circ} \vee d) \wedge (y^{\circ\circ} \vee d)) \wedge (x \vee x^\circ) \\ & \quad \wedge (y \vee y^\circ), \text{ by (ii)} \\ &= (x^{\circ\circ} \vee d) \wedge (x \vee x^\circ) \wedge (y^{\circ\circ} \vee d) \\ & \quad \wedge (y \vee y^\circ) \\ &= ((x^{\circ\circ} \wedge (x \vee x^\circ)) \vee d) \wedge \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} & ((y^{\circ\circ} \wedge (y \vee y^{\circ})) \vee d), \\ & \text{by modularity of L} \\ & = (x \vee d) \wedge (y \vee d). \\ \text{Then } & (x \wedge y) \vee d = (x \vee d) \wedge \\ & (y \vee d), \forall x, y \in L. \end{aligned}$$

Definition 10 Let L be a \underline{K}_2 - algebra with $L^{\vee} = [d]$. We say that a pair $(\theta_1, \theta_2) \in \text{Con}(L^{\circ\circ}) \times \text{Con}(L^{\vee})$ is a \underline{K}_2 -congruence pair if it satisfies the following conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} (CP_1) \quad & x \equiv y(\theta_2) \Rightarrow x^{\circ} \equiv y^{\circ}(\theta_1), x, y \\ & \in L^{\vee}, \\ (CP_2) \quad & a \equiv b(\theta_1) \Rightarrow a \vee d \\ & \equiv b \vee d(\theta_2), a, b \in L^{\circ\circ}. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 11 Let L be a \underline{K}_2 - algebra with $L^{\vee} = [d]$. Let $(\theta_1, \theta_2) \in \text{Con}(L^{\circ\circ}) \times \text{Con}(L^{\vee})$ satisfying (CP_2) . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (i) \quad & a \equiv b(\theta_1) \text{ and } x \equiv y(\theta_2) \text{ imply} \\ & a \vee x \equiv b \vee y(\theta_2), \\ (ii) \quad & a \equiv b(\theta_1) \text{ implies } a \vee a^{\circ} \equiv b \vee \\ & b^{\circ}(\theta_2). \end{aligned}$$

Now, a characterization of congruences of a \underline{K}_2 -algebra L by means of \underline{K}_2 -congruence pairs is given.

Theorem 12 Let L be a \underline{K}_2 - algebra with $L^{\vee} = [d]$. Then every congruence relation θ on L determines a \underline{K}_2 -congruence pair $(\theta_{L^{\circ\circ}}, \theta_{L^{\vee}})$. Conversely, every \underline{K}_2 -congruence pair (θ_1, θ_2) uniquely determines a congruence relation θ on L , satisfying $\theta_{L^{\circ\circ}} = \theta_1$ and $\theta_{L^{\vee}} = \theta_2$ by the following rule:

$$\begin{aligned} x \equiv y(\theta) \Leftrightarrow & x^{\circ} \equiv y^{\circ}(\theta_1) \text{ and } x \vee d \\ & \equiv y \vee d(\theta_2). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Let θ be a congruence relation on L . Let $x \equiv y(\theta_{L^{\vee}})$. Then $x \equiv y(\theta)$

and hence $x^{\circ} \equiv y^{\circ}(\theta)$. This implies that $x^{\circ} \equiv y^{\circ}(\theta_{L^{\circ\circ}})$. Then (CP_1) holds. For (CP_2) , let $x \equiv y(\theta_{L^{\circ\circ}})$. Then $x \equiv y(\theta)$ and $x \vee d \equiv y \vee d(\theta)$. Hence $x \vee d \equiv y \vee d(\theta_{L^{\vee}})$. Therefore $(\theta_{L^{\circ\circ}}, \theta_{L^{\vee}})$ is a \underline{K}_2 -congruence pair.

Conversely, let θ be a relation defined on L by

$$\begin{aligned} x \equiv y(\theta) \Leftrightarrow & x^{\circ} \equiv y^{\circ}(\theta_1) \text{ and } x \vee d \\ & \equiv y \vee d(\theta_2). \end{aligned}$$

It is clear that θ is an equivalence relation. In order to show that θ is a lattice congruence on L , let $x \equiv y(\theta)$ and $x_1 \equiv y_1(\theta)$, $x, y, x_1, y_1 \in L$. Then $x^{\circ} \equiv y^{\circ}(\theta_1)$, $x \vee d \equiv y \vee d(\theta_2)$, and $x_1^{\circ} \equiv y_1^{\circ}(\theta_1)$, $x_1 \vee d \equiv y_1 \vee d(\theta_2)$.

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{We show that } (x \wedge x_1, y \wedge y_1) \in \theta. \\ & \text{Since } (x \wedge x_1)^{\circ} = x^{\circ} \vee x_1^{\circ} \equiv y^{\circ} \vee y_1^{\circ} = \\ & (y \wedge y_1)^{\circ}(\theta_1), \text{ and } (x \wedge x_1) \vee d \\ & = (x^{\circ\circ} \wedge (x \vee d) \wedge x_1^{\circ\circ} \wedge (x_1 \vee d)) \vee d \\ & = (x^{\circ\circ} \wedge x_1^{\circ\circ} \wedge (x \vee d) \wedge (x_1 \vee d)) \vee d \\ & = ((x^{\circ\circ} \wedge x_1^{\circ\circ}) \vee d) \wedge (x \vee d) \wedge \\ & \quad (x_1 \vee d), \text{ by modularity of L} \\ & = (x^{\circ\circ} \vee d) \wedge (x_1^{\circ\circ} \vee d) \wedge (x \vee d) \\ & \wedge (x_1 \vee d), \text{ by distributivity of } d \\ & \equiv (y^{\circ\circ} \vee d) \wedge (y_1^{\circ\circ} \vee d) \wedge (y \vee d) \\ & \quad \wedge (y_1 \vee d)(\theta_2) \\ & = ((y^{\circ\circ} \wedge y_1^{\circ\circ}) \vee d) \wedge (y \vee d) \\ & \quad \wedge (y_1 \vee d) \\ & = ((y^{\circ\circ} \wedge y_1^{\circ\circ}) \wedge (y \vee d) \wedge (y_1 \vee d)) \\ & \quad \vee d, \text{ by modularity of L} \\ & = ((y^{\circ\circ} \wedge (y \vee d)) \wedge (y_1^{\circ\circ} \wedge (y_1 \vee d))) \\ & \quad \vee d \\ & = (y \wedge y_1) \vee d, \end{aligned}$$

then $x \wedge x_1 \equiv y \wedge y_1(\theta)$.

Now, we show that θ preserves join. We have $(x \vee x_1)^{\circ} = x^{\circ} \wedge x_1^{\circ} \equiv y^{\circ} \wedge y_1^{\circ}(\theta_1) = (y \vee y_1)^{\circ}$, and $(x \vee x_1) \vee d = (x \vee d) \vee (x_1 \vee d) \equiv (y \vee d) \vee (y_1 \vee d)(\theta_2) = (y \vee y_1) \vee d$.

Therefore θ is a lattice congruence.

We prove that θ preserves the unary operation $^{\circ}$, let $x \equiv y(\theta)$. Then



$x^\circ \equiv y^\circ(\theta_1)$ and $x^\circ \vee d \equiv y^\circ \vee d(\theta_2)$, by Lemma 11(i). Thus $x^\circ \equiv y^\circ(\theta)$ and hence θ is a congruence on L .

Finally, we show that $\theta_{L^\circ} = \theta_1$ and $\theta_{L^\vee} = \theta_2$. Let $x, y \in L^\circ$. If $x \equiv y(\theta_1)$, then

$$x^\circ \equiv y^\circ(\theta_1) \text{ and } x \vee d \equiv y \vee d(\theta_2),$$

by Lemma 11(i).

This implies that $x \equiv y(\theta)$ and hence $x \equiv y(\theta_{L^\circ})$. Then $\theta_1 \subseteq \theta_{L^\circ}$.

For the converse, let $x \equiv y(\theta_{L^\circ})$. Then $x \equiv y(\theta)$. This implies that $x^\circ \equiv y^\circ(\theta_1)$ and $x = x^\circ \equiv y^\circ(\theta_1) = y$. Then $\theta_{L^\circ} \subseteq \theta_1$. Therefore $\theta_{L^\circ} = \theta_1$.

To show that $\theta_{L^\vee} = \theta_2$. Let $x, y \in L^\vee$. If $x \equiv y(\theta_2)$, then $x^\circ \equiv y^\circ(\theta_1)$ and $x \vee d \equiv y \vee d(\theta_2)$, by (CP₁).

This implies that $x \equiv y(\theta)$ and hence $x \equiv y(\theta_{L^\vee})$. Then $\theta_2 \subseteq \theta_{L^\vee}$.

Conversely, if $x \equiv y(\theta_{L^\vee})$, then $x \equiv y(\theta)$. Thus we have $x^\circ \equiv y^\circ(\theta_1)$ and $x \vee d \equiv y \vee d(\theta_2)$. Since $x = x \vee d \equiv y \vee d(\theta_2) = y$, as $x, y \geq d$ then $\theta_{L^\vee} \subseteq \theta_2$. Therefore $\theta_{L^\vee} = \theta_2$.

For the uniqueness, suppose that $\theta, \psi \in \text{Con}(L)$, such that $\theta_{L^\circ} = \psi_{L^\circ}, \theta_{L^\vee} = \psi_{L^\vee}$. Let $x \equiv y(\theta)$. Then $x^\circ \equiv y^\circ(\theta_{L^\circ})$ and $x \vee d \equiv y \vee d(\theta_{L^\vee})$. This implies that $x^\circ \equiv y^\circ(\psi_{L^\circ})$ and $x \vee d \equiv y \vee d(\psi_{L^\vee})$.

Therefore $x \equiv y(\psi)$ and $\theta \subseteq \psi$. Similarly, we can show that $\psi \subseteq \theta$. Hence $\theta = \psi$.

The following Lemma gives equivalent rules of the congruence relation θ which defined in the above Theorem.

Lemma 13 *Let L be a \underline{K}_2 -algebra with $L^\vee = [d]$ and (θ_1, θ_2) be a \underline{K}_2 -congruence pair of L . Then we can determine $\theta \in \text{Con}(L)$ by the*

following equivalent rules:

- (i) $x \equiv y(\theta) \Leftrightarrow x^\circ \equiv y^\circ(\theta_1)$ and $x \vee d \equiv y \vee d(\theta_2)$,
- (ii) $x \equiv y(\theta) \Leftrightarrow x^\circ \equiv y^\circ(\theta_1)$ and $x \vee u \equiv y \vee u(\theta_2), \forall u \in L^\vee$,
- (iii) $x \equiv y(\theta) \Leftrightarrow x^\circ \equiv y^\circ(\theta_1)$ and $x \vee x^\circ \equiv y \vee y^\circ(\theta_2)$.

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii)

Let (i) holds and $u \in L^\vee$. Since $u \geq d$, then $x \vee u = x \vee d \vee u \equiv y \vee d \vee u(\theta_2) = y \vee u$.

Hence we get (ii). To prove (ii) \Rightarrow (iii), Consider (ii) holds. From Lemma 11 (i), we have

$$x^\circ \vee (x \vee u) \equiv y^\circ \vee (y \vee u)(\theta_2), \forall u \in L^\vee.$$

Since $x \vee x^\circ, y \vee y^\circ \in L^\vee$, then we obtain $x \vee x^\circ \equiv y^\circ \vee y \vee x \vee x^\circ(\theta_2)$, And $x^\circ \vee x \vee y \vee y^\circ \equiv y \vee y^\circ(\theta_2)$.

Then $x \vee x^\circ \equiv y \vee y^\circ(\theta_2)$ and hence (iii) is proved. In order to show (iii) \Rightarrow (i)

As $x, y \in L$, we have

$$x = x^\circ \wedge (x \vee x^\circ), y = y^\circ \wedge (y \vee y^\circ).$$

Then

$$x \vee d = (x^\circ \wedge (x \vee x^\circ)) \vee d = (x^\circ \vee d) \wedge (x \vee x^\circ),$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{by modularity as } x \vee x^\circ \geq d \\ &\equiv (y^\circ \vee d) \wedge (y \vee y^\circ)(\theta_2), \text{ by (iii)} \\ &= (y^\circ \wedge (y \vee y^\circ)) \vee d, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{by modularity as } y \vee y^\circ \geq d \\ &= y \vee d. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $x \vee d \equiv y \vee d(\theta_2)$ and (i) is valid.

We will denote the set of all \underline{K}_2 -congruence pairs of a \underline{K}_2 -algebra L by $A(L)$.

Corollary 14 *Let L be a \underline{K}_2 -algebra with $L^\vee = [d]$. Then the set $A(L)$ is a sublattice of $\text{Con}(L^\circ) \times \text{Con}(L^\vee)$ and $\text{Con}(L)$ isomorphic to $A(L)$.*



Proof. Let $(\theta_1, \theta_2), (\psi_1, \psi_2) \in A(L)$. In order to show that

$(\theta_1 \wedge \psi_1, \theta_2 \wedge \psi_2) \in A(L)$, let $a \equiv b(\theta_1 \wedge \psi_1)$ and $x \equiv y(\theta_2 \wedge \psi_2)$.

Then by using Theorem (12) we have

$$x^\circ \equiv y^\circ(\theta_1) \text{ and } a \vee d \equiv b \vee d(\theta_2),$$

and

$$x^\circ \equiv y^\circ(\psi_1) \text{ and } a \vee d \equiv b \vee d(\psi_2).$$

Then we have

$$x^\circ \equiv y^\circ(\theta_1 \wedge \psi_1) \text{ and}$$

$$a \vee d \equiv b \vee d(\theta_2 \wedge \psi_2).$$

Therefore (CP_1) and (CP_2) are valid. Hence $(\theta_1 \wedge \psi_1, \theta_2 \wedge \psi_2) \in A(L)$.

Next, we show that $(\theta_1 \vee \psi_1, \theta_2 \vee \psi_2) \in A(L)$. For (CP_1) , let $x \equiv y(\theta_2 \vee \psi_2)$. Then there exist a sequence

$$x = x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n = y \text{ in } L^V,$$

such that $x_{j-1} \equiv x_j(\theta_2)$ or

$$x_{j-1} \equiv x_j(\psi_2), 1 \leq j \leq n.$$

Since $(\theta_1, \theta_2), (\psi_1, \psi_2) \in A(L)$, then using Definition 10, we have

$$x_{j-1}^\circ \equiv x_j^\circ(\theta_1) \text{ or } x_{j-1}^\circ \equiv x_j^\circ(\psi_1).$$

Thus there are the sequence

$$x^\circ = x_0^\circ, x_1^\circ, \dots, x_n^\circ = y^\circ \text{ in } L^{\circ\circ},$$

Therefore $x^\circ \equiv y^\circ(\theta_1 \vee \psi_1)$. For (CP_2) ,

Let $a \equiv b(\theta_1 \vee \psi_1)$. Then there are a sequence

$$a = a_0, a_1, \dots, a_m = b \text{ in } L^{\circ\circ},$$

such that $a_{i-1} \equiv a_i(\theta_1)$ or

$$a_{i-1} \equiv a_i(\psi_1), 1 \leq i \leq m.$$

Since $(\theta_1, \theta_2), (\psi_1, \psi_2) \in A(L)$, then we have $a_{i-1} \vee d \equiv a_i \vee d(\theta_2)$, or

$$a_{i-1} \vee d \equiv a_i \vee d(\psi_2).$$

Hence we get the sequence

$$a \vee d = a_0 \vee d, a_1 \vee d, \dots, a_m \vee d = b \vee d \text{ in } L^V.$$

Then $a \vee d \equiv b \vee d(\theta_2 \vee \psi_2)$.

Therefore $(\theta_1 \vee \psi_1, \theta_2 \vee \psi_2) \in A(L)$.

Hence $A(L)$ is a sublattice of $Con(L^{\circ\circ}) \times Con(L^V)$.

Using Theorem (12), we observe that

a map $\theta \rightarrow (\theta/L^{\circ\circ}, \theta/L^V)$ is an isomorphism from $Con(L)$ into $A(L)$.

For modular S -algebras, we have the following properties.

Lemma 15 Let L be a \underline{K}_2 -algebra from the class \underline{S} . Then

(1) $L^{\circ\circ}$ is a Boolean algebra,

$$(2) L^V = D(L).$$

Proof. (1) Since $L^{\circ\circ}$ is a Kleene algebra, then $a = a^{\circ\circ}, \forall a \in L^{\circ\circ}$. Let $x \in L^{\circ\circ}$. Then $x \wedge x^\circ = 0, \forall x \in L$, as $L \in \underline{S}$ and $x \vee x^\circ = x^{\circ\circ} \vee x^\circ =$

$$(x \wedge x^\circ)^\circ = 0^\circ = 1.$$

Therefore $L^{\circ\circ}$ is a Boolean algebra.

(2) We have $D(L) \subseteq L^V$. On the other hand, let $x \in L^V$. Then we have

$$x^\circ = (x \vee x^\circ)^\circ, \text{ as } x \geq x^\circ$$

$$= x^\circ \wedge x^{\circ\circ}$$

$$= x \wedge x^\circ, \text{ as } L \text{ is a } \underline{K}_2 \text{-algebra}$$

$$= 0, \text{ as } L \in \underline{S}.$$

Then $x \in D(L)$ and hence $L^V = D(L)$.

Now we restrict the definition of congruence pairs of a modular p -algebra (see [8]) to modular S -algebra as follows:

Definition 16 Let L be a \underline{K}_2 -algebra from the class \underline{S} . A pair $(\theta_1, \theta_2) \in Con(L^{\circ\circ}) \times Con(D(L))$ is called a congruence pair if it satisfies the condition:

$$a \equiv 1(\theta_1) \text{ and } a \leq d \in D(L) \Rightarrow d \equiv 1(\theta_2).$$

The following Lemma proves that the concept of \underline{K}_2 -congruence pairs of a modular S -algebra is equivalent to the concept of congruence pair.

Lemma 17 Let L be a \underline{K}_2 -algebra



from the class \underline{S} and let $(\theta_1, \theta_2) \in \text{Con}(L^\circ) \times \text{Con}(D(L))$. Then $(\theta_1, \theta_2) \in A(L)$, if and only if it is a congruence pair.

Proof. Let (θ_1, θ_2) be a congruence pair. Let $x \equiv y(\theta_2)$. Since $x^\circ = y^\circ = 0$, then $x^\circ \equiv y^\circ(\theta_1)$ and (CP_1) holds. For (CP_2) , let $a \equiv b(\theta_1)$ and let

$$\epsilon = (a \vee b^\circ) \wedge (b \vee a^\circ) \in L^\circ.$$

Then we have,

$$\begin{aligned} a \wedge \epsilon &= a \wedge (a \vee b^\circ) \wedge (b \vee a^\circ) \\ &= a \wedge (b \vee a^\circ), \text{ by absorption law} \\ &= (a \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge a^\circ), \\ &\quad \text{by distributivity of } L^\circ \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (a \wedge b) \vee 0 = a \wedge b, \\ &\quad \text{as } L^\circ \text{ is a Boolean algebra,} \\ &\text{and} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b \wedge \epsilon &= b \wedge (a \vee b^\circ) \wedge (b \vee a^\circ) \\ &= b \wedge (a \vee b^\circ), \text{ by absorption law} \\ &= (b \wedge a) \vee (b \wedge b^\circ), \\ &\quad \text{by distributivity of } L^\circ \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (b \wedge a) \vee 0 = a \wedge b, \\ &\text{as } L^\circ \text{ is a Boolean algebra.} \end{aligned}$$

Then $a \wedge \epsilon = a \wedge b = b \wedge \epsilon$ and $\epsilon \equiv 1(\theta_1)$. Since $\epsilon \leq \epsilon \vee d \in D(L)$, then $\epsilon \vee d \equiv 1(\theta_2)$ and

$$(a \vee d) \wedge 1 \equiv (a \vee d) \wedge (\epsilon \vee d)(\theta_2).$$

Thus $(a \vee d) \equiv (a \wedge \epsilon) \vee d(\theta_2) = (a \wedge b) \vee d$. Similarly, $(b \vee d) \equiv (b \wedge \epsilon) \vee d(\theta_2) = (a \wedge b) \vee d$. Therefore $(a \vee d) \equiv (b \vee d)(\theta_2)$. Then $(\theta_1, \theta_2) \in A(L)$.

Conversely, let $(\theta_1, \theta_2) \in A(L)$, $a \in B(L)$, $a \leq c \in D(L)$ and $a \equiv 1(\theta_1)$. Then $a \vee c \equiv 1 \vee c(\theta_2)$ implies $c \equiv 1(\theta_2)$.

Hence (θ_1, θ_2) is a congruence pair.

4 Congruence pairs of a \underline{K}_2 -algebra via its Boolean elements

In this section, we define a Boolean

element of a \underline{K}_2 -algebra L and investigate special \underline{K}_2 -congruence pairs of L using its Boolean elements.

Definition 18 Let L be a \underline{K}_2 -algebra. An element $a \in L$ is said to be a Boolean element of L if $a \vee a^\circ = 1$. We denote the set of all Boolean elements by $B(L)$, that is, $B(L) = \{a \in L : a \vee a^\circ = 1\}$.

Lemma 19 Let L be a \underline{K}_2 -algebra. Then we have the following:

- (1) $B(L)$ is the greatest Boolean subalgebra of L° ,
- (2) If $L \in \underline{S}$ then $B(L) = L^\circ$.

Proof. (1) Let $a \in B(L)$. Then we have $a^{\circ\circ} = 1 \wedge a^{\circ\circ} = (a \vee a^\circ) \wedge a^{\circ\circ} = a \vee (a^\circ \wedge a^{\circ\circ})$, by modularity of L with $a^{\circ\circ} \geq a = a \vee (a \vee a^\circ)^\circ = a \vee 1^\circ = a \vee 0 = a$.

Then $a \in L^\circ$ and hence $B(L) \subseteq L^\circ$. Clearly, $0, 1 \in B(L)$. Let $a, b \in B(L)$. Then $a \vee a^\circ = 1$ and $b \vee b^\circ = 1$.

By distributivity of $B(L)$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} (a \wedge b) \vee (a \wedge b)^\circ &= (a \wedge b) \vee (a^\circ \vee b^\circ) \\ &= (a \vee a^\circ \vee b^\circ) \wedge (b \vee a^\circ \vee b^\circ) \\ &= (1 \vee b^\circ) \wedge (a^\circ \vee 1) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Then $a \wedge b \in B(L)$. Similarly, one can show that $a \vee b \in B(L)$. Therefore $B(L)$ is a bounded sublattice of L° . Let $a \in B(L)$. Then $a^\circ \vee a^{\circ\circ} = a^\circ \vee a = 1$ and hence $a^\circ \in B(L)$. Also, we have $a \wedge a^\circ = a^{\circ\circ} \wedge a^\circ = (a^\circ \vee a)^\circ = 1^\circ = 0$. Thus $(B(L); \vee, \wedge, ^\circ, 0, 1)$ is a Boolean subalgebra of L° .

Now, we show that $B(L)$ is the greatest Boolean subalgebra of L° . Let H be any Boolean subalgebra of L° . Then for all $a \in H$, we have $a \vee a^\circ = 1$ and $a \wedge a^\circ = 0$. This implies that



$a \in B(L)$ and hence $H \subseteq B(L)$.
 (2) Since $L \in \underline{\mathbf{S}}$, then $x \wedge x^\circ = 0$,
 $\forall x \in L$. Let $a \in L^\circ$. Then we have
 $a \wedge a^\circ = 0 \Rightarrow (a \wedge a^\circ)^\circ = 0^\circ$
 $\Rightarrow a^\circ \vee a^{\circ\circ} = 1$
 $\Rightarrow a^\circ \vee a = 1$, as $a = a^{\circ\circ}$.
 Therefore $a \in B(L)$ and hence $L^\circ \subseteq B(L)$. Since $B(L) \subseteq L^\circ$, from (1) then $B(L) = L^\circ$.

Let $L \in \underline{K}_2$, for $a \in L^\circ$, we define a relation $\theta[(a)]$ on L° by

$$(x, y) \in \theta[(a)] \Leftrightarrow x \wedge a^\circ = y \wedge a^\circ.$$

Theorem 20 Let L be a \underline{K}_2 -algebra. Then $\theta[(a)]$ is a congruence relation on L° with $\ker\theta[(a)] = (a)$ for some $a \in L^\circ$ if and only if a is a Boolean element of L .

Proof. Let $\theta[(a)]$ be a congruence relation on L° with $\ker\theta[(a)] = (a)$, for some $a \in L^\circ$. Since $a \in \ker\theta[(a)]$, then $(a, 0) \in \theta[(a)]$. This implies that

$$a \wedge a^\circ = 0 \wedge a^\circ = 0 \text{ and hence } a^\circ \vee a = a^\circ \vee a^{\circ\circ} = (a \wedge a^\circ)^\circ = 0^\circ = 1.$$

Then a is a Boolean element of L . Conversely, let $a \in B(L)$. Then $a \vee a^\circ = 1$ and $a \wedge a^\circ = 0$. Clearly $\theta[(a)]$ is an equivalence relation on L° . Let $x, y, x_1, y_1 \in L^\circ$. Suppose that (x, y) and $(x_1, y_1) \in \theta[(a)]$. Then

$$x \wedge a^\circ = y \wedge a^\circ \text{ and } x_1 \wedge a^\circ = y_1 \wedge a^\circ.$$

Now, we show that $\theta[(a)]$ preserves meet and join

$$(x \wedge x_1) \wedge a^\circ = (x \wedge a^\circ) \wedge (x_1 \wedge a^\circ) = (y \wedge a^\circ) \wedge (y_1 \wedge a^\circ) = (y \wedge y_1) \wedge a^\circ,$$

and

$$(x \vee x_1) \wedge a^\circ = (x \wedge a^\circ) \vee (x_1 \wedge a^\circ),$$

by distributivity of L°

$$= (y \wedge a^\circ) \vee (y_1 \wedge a^\circ) = (y \vee y_1) \wedge a^\circ.$$

Then $\theta[(a)]$ is a lattice congruence.

For the unary operation $^\circ$, let

$$(x, y) \in \theta[(a)] \Rightarrow x \wedge a^\circ = y \wedge a^\circ \Rightarrow (x \wedge a^\circ)^\circ = (y \wedge a^\circ)^\circ \Rightarrow (x^\circ \vee a^{\circ\circ}) = (y^\circ \vee a^{\circ\circ}) \Rightarrow (x^\circ \vee a) \wedge a^\circ = (y^\circ \vee a) \wedge a^\circ, \text{ as } a = a^{\circ\circ} \Rightarrow (x^\circ \wedge a^\circ) \vee (a \wedge a^\circ) = (y^\circ \wedge a^\circ) \vee (a \wedge a^\circ), \text{ by distributivity of } L^\circ \Rightarrow (x^\circ \wedge a^\circ) \vee 0 = (y^\circ \wedge a^\circ) \vee 0, \text{ as } a \wedge a^\circ = 0 \Rightarrow (x^\circ, y^\circ) \in \theta[(a)].$$

Therefore $\theta[(a)]$ is a congruence relation on L° . Also, we see that

$$\ker\theta[(a)] = \{x \in L^\circ : (x, 0) \in \theta[(a)]\} = \{x \in L^\circ : x \wedge a^\circ = 0 \wedge a^\circ = 0\} = \{x \in L^\circ : x \leq a\} = (a).$$

Where $a = a \vee 0 = a \vee (x \wedge a^\circ) = (a \vee x) \wedge (a \vee a^\circ) = (a \vee x) \wedge 1 = a \vee x$ implies $x \leq a$.

Lemma 21 Let L be a \underline{K}_2 -algebra with. Let $\theta[(a)]$ be a congruence on L° . Then we have the following:

- (1) $a \leq b \Leftrightarrow \theta[(a)] \subseteq \theta[(b)], \forall a, b \in B(L)$,
- (2) $a = b \Leftrightarrow \theta[(a)] = \theta[(b)], \forall a, b \in B(L)$,
- (3) $\theta[(0)] = \Delta_{L^\circ}, \theta[(1)] = \nabla_{L^\circ}$.

Proof. (1) Let $a \leq b$ and $(x, y) \in \theta[(a)]$. Then $x \wedge a^\circ = y \wedge a^\circ$. We have

$$x \wedge b^\circ = x \wedge a^\circ \wedge b^\circ, \text{ as } a^\circ \geq b^\circ = y \wedge a^\circ \wedge b^\circ = y \wedge b^\circ.$$

This implies that $(x, y) \in \theta[(b)]$. Hence $\theta[(a)] \subseteq \theta[(b)]$. Conversely, suppose that $\theta[(a)] \subseteq \theta[(b)]$. Let $x \in \ker\theta[(a)]$. Then $(x, 0) \in \theta[(a)] \subseteq \theta[(b)]$



$\theta[(b)]$. Therefore $x \in Ker\theta[(b)]$ and hence $Ker\theta[(a)] \subseteq Ker\theta[(b)]$. Thus we have $(a] \subseteq (b]$. Then $a \leq b$.

(2) Let $a = b$ and $(x, y) \in \theta[(a)]$. Then $x \wedge a^\circ = y \wedge a^\circ$. This implies that $x \wedge b^\circ = y \wedge b^\circ$ and $(x, y) \in \theta[(b)]$. Hence $\theta[(a)] \subseteq \theta[(b)]$. Similarly, we get $\theta[(a)] \subseteq \theta[(b)]$. Then $\theta[(a)] = \theta[(b)]$. Conversely, let $\theta[(a)] = \theta[(b)]$. From (1), we get $a \leq b$ and $a \geq b$. Then $a = b$.

(3) For any $(x, y) \in \theta[(0)]$, we get $x \wedge 0^\circ = y \wedge 0^\circ$. This implies that $x = y$. Then $\theta[(0)] = \Delta_{L^\circ}$. For all $x, y \in L^\circ$, we have $x \wedge 1^\circ = 0 = y \wedge 1^\circ$. Then $(x, y) \in \theta[(1)]$ and hence $\theta[(1)] = \nabla_{L^\circ}$.

Lemma 22 Let L be a K_2 -algebra. Let $\theta[(a)], \theta[(b)]$ be congruences on L° . Then we have the following:

- (1) $\theta[(a)] \vee \theta[(b)] = \theta[(a \vee b)]$,
- (2) $\theta[(a)] \wedge \theta[(b)] = \theta[(a \wedge b)]$,
- (3) The set $Con(B(L)) = \{\theta[(a)]: a \in B(L)\}$ is a Boolean algebra and $Con(B(L))$ isomorphic to $B(L)$.

Proof. (1) Since $a, b \leq a \vee b$, then $\theta[(a)], \theta[(b)] \subseteq \theta[(a \vee b)]$. Therefore $\theta[(a \vee b)]$ is an upper bound of $\theta[(a)]$ and $\theta[(b)]$. Suppose that $\theta[(c)]$ is an upper bound of $\theta[(a)]$ and $\theta[(b)]$. Then $\theta[(a)], \theta[(b)] \subseteq \theta[(c)]$

$$\Rightarrow a, b \leq c, \text{ by Lemma 21 (1).}$$

Hence c is an upper bound of a and b . Since $a \vee b$ is the least upper bound of a and b , then $a \vee b \leq c \Rightarrow \theta[(a \vee b)] \subseteq \theta[(c)]$.

Therefore $\theta[(a \vee b)]$ is the least upper bound of $\theta[(a)]$ and $\theta[(b)]$, that is $\theta[(a)] \vee \theta[(b)] = \theta[(a \vee b)]$.

(2) By duality of (1).

(3) Since $\theta[(0)] = \Delta_{L^\circ}$ and $\theta[(1)] = \nabla_{L^\circ}$ then $\Delta_{L^\circ}, \nabla_{L^\circ} \in$

$Con(B(L))$. Let $\theta[(a)], \theta[(b)] \in Con(B(L))$. Then

$$\theta[(a)] \wedge \theta[(b)] = \theta[(a \wedge b)] \in Con(B(L)),$$

and

$$\theta[(a)] \vee \theta[(b)] = \theta[(a \vee b)] \in Con(B(L)).$$

Since $B(L)$ is a Boolean algebra, then $\forall a \in B(L) \Rightarrow a^\circ \in B(L)$. Thus we have $\theta[(a^\circ)] \in Con(B(L))$.

Define $^\circ$ on $Con(B(L))$ by $(\theta[(a)])^\circ = \theta[(a^\circ)]$ and

$$\theta[(a)] \wedge \theta[(a^\circ)] = \theta[(a \wedge a^\circ)] = \theta[(0)] = \Delta_{L^\circ},$$

$$\theta[(a)] \vee \theta[(a^\circ)] = \theta[(a \vee a^\circ)] = \theta[(1)] = \nabla_{L^\circ}.$$

Therefore $(Con(B(L)); \vee, \wedge, ^\circ, \Delta_{L^\circ}, \nabla_{L^\circ})$ is a Boolean algebra.

We can define a map from $B(L)$ to $Con(B(L))$ such that $a \rightarrow \theta[(a)]$.

It is obvious that such map is an isomorphism. Then the Boolean algebra $Con(B(L))$ and $B(L)$ are isomorphic.

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Definition 23 A K_2 -algebra L is said to satisfy condition (1) if

$$(x \vee y) \wedge a = (x \wedge a) \vee (y \wedge a), \forall x, y \in L^\vee, \forall a \in B(L). \quad (1)$$

Let L be a K_2 -algebra with $L^\vee = [d]$. For $a \in L^\circ$, define a relation $\theta[\varphi_L(a)]$ on L^\vee as follows:

$$(x, y) \in \theta[\varphi_L(a)] \Leftrightarrow x \wedge (a^\circ \vee d) = y \wedge (a^\circ \vee d).$$

Theorem 24 Let L be a K_2 -algebra satisfying condition (1) and $L^\vee = [d]$. Then $\theta[\varphi_L(a)]$ is a congruence relation on L^\vee with $Coker\theta[\varphi_L(a)] = \varphi_L(a), \forall a \in L^\circ$.

Proof. Clearly $\theta[\varphi_L(a)]$ is an



equivalence relation on L^V . Let (x, y) and $(x_1, y_1) \in \theta[\varphi_L(a)]$. Then $x \wedge (a^\circ \vee d) = y \wedge (a^\circ \vee d)$ and $x_1 \wedge (a^\circ \vee d) = y_1 \wedge (a^\circ \vee d)$.

Now, we show that $\theta[\varphi_L(a)]$ preserves meet and join.

$$\begin{aligned} & (x \wedge x_1) \wedge (a^\circ \vee d) \\ &= (x \wedge x_1 \wedge a^\circ) \vee d, \\ & \text{by modularity with } x \wedge x_1 \geq d \\ &= ((x \wedge a^\circ) \wedge (x_1 \wedge a^\circ)) \vee d \\ &= ((x \wedge a^\circ) \vee d) \wedge ((x_1 \wedge a^\circ) \vee d), \\ & \quad \text{by distributivity of } d \\ &= (x \wedge (a^\circ \vee d) \wedge (x_1 \wedge (a^\circ \vee d)), \\ & \quad \text{by modularity with } x, x_1 \geq d \\ &= (y \wedge (a^\circ \vee d)) \wedge (y_1 \wedge (a^\circ \vee d)) \\ &= ((y \wedge a^\circ) \vee d) \wedge ((y_1 \wedge a^\circ) \vee d), \\ & \quad \text{by modularity with } y, y_1 \geq d \\ &= ((y \wedge a^\circ) \wedge (y_1 \wedge a^\circ)) \vee d, \\ &= (y \wedge y_1 \wedge a^\circ) \vee d \\ &= (y \wedge y_1) \wedge (a^\circ \vee d), \end{aligned}$$

by modularity with $y \wedge y_1 \geq d$.

Also

$$\begin{aligned} & (x \vee x_1) \wedge (a^\circ \vee d) \\ &= ((x \vee x_1) \wedge a^\circ) \vee d, \\ & \quad \text{by modularity with } x \vee x_1 \geq d \\ &= ((x \wedge a^\circ) \vee (x_1 \wedge a^\circ)) \vee d, \\ & \quad \text{by condition (1)} \\ &= ((x \wedge a^\circ) \vee d) \vee ((x_1 \wedge a^\circ) \vee d), \\ & \quad \text{by distributivity of } d \\ &= (x \wedge (a^\circ \vee d)) \vee (x_1 \wedge (a^\circ \vee d)), \\ & \quad \text{by modularity with } x, x_1 \geq d \\ &= (y \wedge (a^\circ \vee d)) \vee (y_1 \wedge (a^\circ \vee d)) \\ &= ((y \wedge a^\circ) \vee d) \vee ((y_1 \wedge a^\circ) \vee d), \\ & \text{by modularity with } y, y_1 \geq d \\ &= ((y \wedge a^\circ) \vee (y_1 \wedge a^\circ)) \vee d, \\ & \quad \text{by distributivity of } d \\ &= ((y \vee y_1) \wedge a^\circ) \vee d, \text{ by condition (1)} \\ &= (y \vee y_1) \wedge (a^\circ \vee d), \end{aligned}$$

by modularity with $y \vee y_1 \geq d$.

Then $\theta[\varphi_L(a)]$ is a congruence relation on L^V . Also we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Coker}\theta[\varphi_L(a)] \\ &= \{x \in L^V : (x, 1) \in \theta[\varphi_L(a)]\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \{x \in L^V : x \wedge (a^\circ \vee d) \\ & \quad = 1 \wedge (a^\circ \vee d)\} \\ &= \{x \in L^V : x \wedge (a^\circ \vee d) = a^\circ \vee d\} \\ &= \{x \in L^V : x \geq (a^\circ \vee d)\} \\ &= [a^\circ \vee d] = \varphi_L(a). \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 25 Let L be a \underline{K}_2 -algebra with $L^V = [d]$. Then we have

- (i) $L^V \cap B(L) = \{1\}$ and $L^\wedge \cap B(L) = \{0\}$,
- (ii) If $\varphi_L(x) = L^V, x \in B(L)$ then $x = 1$.

Proof. (i) Let $x \in L^V \cap B(L)$. Then $x \in L^V, B(L)$. Since $x \in L^V$, then $x \geq x^\circ$ implies $x = x \vee x^\circ$. But $x \vee x^\circ = 1$ as $x \in B(L)$, therefore $x = 1$ and hence $L^V \cap B(L) = \{1\}$. Similarly, we can show that $L^\wedge \cap B(L) = \{0\}$.

- (ii) Let $\varphi_L(x) = L^V, x \in B(L)$. Then $(\varphi_L(x) = L^V) \Rightarrow [x^\circ] \cap L^V = L^V \Rightarrow [x^\circ] \cap d = [d]$, as $L^V = [d] \Rightarrow [x^\circ \vee d] = [d] \Rightarrow x^\circ \vee d = d \Rightarrow x^\circ \leq d \in L^V$.

Since $x^\circ \leq d$, then $x^\circ \in L^\wedge$. Hence $x^\circ \in L^\wedge \cap B(L)$ implies $x^\circ = 0$. Therefore $x = 1$.

Lemma 26 Let L be a \underline{K}_2 -algebra, with $L^V = [d]$ satisfying condition (1). Then we have the following:

- (1) $a \leq b \Leftrightarrow \theta[\varphi_L(a)] \subseteq \theta[\varphi_L(b)]$,
- (2) $a = b \Leftrightarrow \theta[\varphi_L(a)] = \theta[\varphi_L(b)]$,
- (3) $\theta[\varphi_L(0)] = \Delta_{L^V}, \theta[\varphi_L(1)] = \nabla_{L^V}$.

Proof. (1) Let $a \leq b$. Then $a^\circ \geq b^\circ$. Let $(x, y) \in \theta[\varphi_L(a)]$. Then $x \wedge (a^\circ \vee d) = y \wedge (a^\circ \vee d)$. We have $x \wedge (b^\circ \vee d) = x \wedge ((a^\circ \wedge b^\circ) \vee d)$,
 $asa^\circ \geq b^\circ$



$= x \wedge (a^\circ \vee d) \wedge (b^\circ \vee d)$,
 by the distributivity of d
 $= y \wedge (a^\circ \vee d) \wedge (b^\circ \vee d)$
 $= y \wedge ((a^\circ \wedge b^\circ) \vee d)$
 $= y \wedge (b^\circ \vee d)$, as $a^\circ \geq b^\circ$.
 Therefore $(x, y) \in \theta[\varphi_L(b)]$. Hence
 $\theta[\varphi_L(a)] \subseteq \theta[\varphi_L(b)]$.
 Conversely, suppose that $\theta[\varphi_L(a)] \subseteq \theta[\varphi_L(b)]$. Since $((a \wedge b) \vee d) \wedge (a^\circ \vee d) = (a \vee d) \wedge (a^\circ \vee d)$, then $((a \wedge b) \vee d, a \vee d) \in \theta[\varphi_L(a)]$. Then we have
 $((a \wedge b) \vee d, a \vee d) \in \theta[\varphi_L(b)]$, as
 $\theta[\varphi_L(a)] \subseteq \theta[\varphi_L(b)]$. This implies that $((a \wedge b) \vee d) \wedge (b^\circ \vee d)$
 $= (a \vee d) \wedge (b^\circ \vee d)$
 $(a \wedge b \wedge b^\circ) \vee d = (a \wedge b^\circ) \vee d$
 $(a \wedge 0) \vee d = (a \wedge b^\circ) \vee d$
 $d = (a \wedge b^\circ) \vee d$
 $[d] = [(a \wedge b^\circ) \vee d]$
 $L^V = \varphi_L((a \wedge b^\circ)^\circ)$

Thus we get $(a \wedge b^\circ)^\circ = 1$, by Lemma 25, (ii). Then $a \wedge b^\circ = 0$.

Also, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 a^\circ &= a^\circ \vee 0 \\
 &= a^\circ \vee (a \wedge b^\circ) \\
 &= (a^\circ \vee a) \wedge (a^\circ \vee b^\circ) \\
 &= 1 \wedge (a^\circ \vee b^\circ) \\
 &= a^\circ \vee b^\circ.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $a^\circ \geq b^\circ$ and $a \leq b$.

(2) Let $a = b$ and $(x, y) \in \theta[\varphi_L(a)]$. Then $x \wedge (a^\circ \vee d) = y \wedge (a^\circ \vee d)$. This implies that $x \wedge (b^\circ \vee d) = y \wedge (b^\circ \vee d)$ and $(x, y) \in \theta[\varphi_L(b)]$. Therefore $\theta[\varphi_L(a)] \subseteq \theta[\varphi_L(b)]$. Similarly, one can get $\theta[\varphi_L(a)] \subseteq \theta[\varphi_L(b)]$. Then $\theta[\varphi_L(a)] = \theta[\varphi_L(b)]$.

Conversely, let $\theta[\varphi_L(a)] = \theta[\varphi_L(b)]$. From (1), we get $a \leq b$ and $a \geq b$. Then $a = b$.

(3) For any $(x, y) \in \theta[\varphi_L(0)]$, we have $x \wedge (0^\circ \vee d) = y \wedge (0^\circ \vee d)$. Implies $x = y$. Therefore $\theta[\varphi_L(0)] =$

Δ_{L^V} . For all $x, y \in L^V$, we have
 $x \wedge (1^\circ \vee d) = d = y \wedge (1^\circ \vee d)$.
 Then $(x, y) \in \theta[\varphi_L(1)]$ and hence
 $\theta[\varphi_L(1)] = \nabla_{L^V}$.

Lemma 27 Let L be a K_2 -algebra with $L^V = [d]$ satisfying condition (1). Then $\forall a, b \in L^\circ$ we have the following:

- (1) $\forall a, b \in L^\circ$
 $\theta[\varphi_L(a)] \wedge \theta[\varphi_L(b)] = \theta[\varphi_L(a \wedge b)]$,
- (2) $\forall a, b \in L^\circ$
 $\theta[\varphi_L(a)] \vee \theta[\varphi_L(b)] = \theta[\varphi_L(a \vee b)]$,
- (3) The set $H = \{\theta[\varphi_L(a)] : a \in B(L)\}$ is a Boolean algebra on its own.

Proof. (1) Since $a \wedge b \leq a, b$, then $\theta[\varphi_L(a \wedge b)] \subseteq \theta[\varphi_L(a)], \theta[\varphi_L(b)]$. Therefore $\theta[\varphi_L(a \wedge b)]$ is a lower bound of $\theta[\varphi_L(a)]$ and $\theta[\varphi_L(b)]$. Assume that $\theta[\varphi_L(c)]$ is a lower bound of $\theta[\varphi_L(a)]$ and $\theta[\varphi_L(b)]$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \theta[\varphi_L(c)] &\subseteq \theta[\varphi_L(a)], \theta[\varphi_L(b)] \\
 &\Rightarrow c \leq a, b, \text{ by lemma (25)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence c is a lower bound of a and b . Since $a \wedge b$ is the greatest lower bound of a and b , then $c \leq a \wedge b$ this implies that $\theta[\varphi_L(c)] \subseteq \theta[\varphi_L(a \wedge b)]$. Therefore $\theta[\varphi_L(a \wedge b)]$ is the greatest lower bound of $\theta[\varphi_L(a)]$ and $\theta[\varphi_L(b)]$. Then $\theta[\varphi_L(a)] \wedge \theta[\varphi_L(b)] = \theta[\varphi_L(a \wedge b)]$.

(2) By duality of (1).
 (3) Since $\theta[\varphi_L(0)] = \Delta_{L^V}$ and $\theta[\varphi_L(1)] = \nabla_{L^V}$, then $\Delta_{L^V}, \nabla_{L^V} \in H$. Let $\theta[\varphi_L(a)], \theta[\varphi_L(b)] \in H$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \theta[\varphi_L(a)] \wedge \theta[\varphi_L(b)] &= \theta[\varphi_L(a \wedge b)] \\
 &\in H,
 \end{aligned}$$

And
 $\theta[\varphi_L(a)] \vee \theta[\varphi_L(b)] = \theta[\varphi_L(a \vee b)] \in H$.

Therefore H is a bounded lattice. Since $B(L)$ is a Boolean algebra, then



$a^\circ \in B(L)$ for every $a \in B(L)$. Thus $\theta[\varphi_L(a^\circ)] \in H$. Define θ' on H as $\theta'[\varphi_L(a)] = \theta[\varphi_L(a^\circ)]$ then we have $\theta'[\varphi_L(a)] \wedge \theta'[\varphi_L(a)'] = \theta[\varphi_L(a)] \wedge \theta[\varphi_L(a^\circ)] = \theta[\varphi_L(a \wedge a^\circ)] = \theta[\varphi_L(0)] = \Delta_{L^\vee}$,

and

$$\begin{aligned} \theta'[\varphi_L(a)] \vee \theta'[\varphi_L(a)'] &= \theta[\varphi_L(a)] \vee \theta[\varphi_L(a^\circ)] \\ &= \theta[\varphi_L(a \vee a^\circ)] \\ &= \theta[\varphi_L(1)] = \nabla_{L^\vee}. \end{aligned}$$

Then $(H; \vee, \wedge, \theta', \Delta_{L^\vee}, \nabla_{L^\vee})$ is a Boolean algebra.

Theorem 28 Let L be a K_2 -algebra with $L^\vee = [d]$ satisfying condition (1). Then for every $a \in B(L)$, a pair $(\theta[(a)], \theta[\varphi_L(a)])$ is a K_2 -congruence pair.

Proof. Let $x, y \in L^\vee$. In order to prove (CP_1) , let $(x, y) \in \theta[\varphi_L(a)]$. Then by distributivity of L° , we get

$$\begin{aligned} (x, y) &\in \theta[\varphi_L(a)] \\ \Rightarrow x \wedge (a^\circ \vee d) &= y \wedge (a^\circ \vee d) \\ \Rightarrow (x \wedge (a^\circ \vee d))^\circ &= (y \wedge (a^\circ \vee d))^\circ \\ \Rightarrow x^\circ \vee (a^\circ \wedge d^\circ) &= y^\circ \vee (a^\circ \wedge d^\circ) \\ \Rightarrow (x^\circ \vee (a \wedge d^\circ)) \wedge a^\circ & \\ &= (y^\circ \vee (a \wedge d^\circ)) \wedge a^\circ, \text{ as } a = a^\circ \\ \Rightarrow (x^\circ \wedge a^\circ) \vee (a \wedge d^\circ \wedge a^\circ) & \\ &= (y^\circ \wedge a^\circ) \vee (a \wedge d^\circ \wedge a^\circ), \\ \Rightarrow (x^\circ \wedge a^\circ) \vee (d^\circ \wedge 0) & \\ &= (y^\circ \wedge a^\circ) \vee (d^\circ \wedge 0), \text{ as } a \wedge a^\circ = 0 \\ \Rightarrow x^\circ \wedge a^\circ &= y^\circ \wedge a^\circ \\ \Rightarrow (x^\circ, y^\circ) &\in \theta[(a)]. \end{aligned}$$

For (CP_2) , let $(b, c) \in \theta[(a)]$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (b, c) &\in \theta[(a)] \\ \Rightarrow b \wedge a^\circ &= c \wedge a^\circ \\ \Rightarrow (b \wedge a^\circ) \vee d &= (c \wedge a^\circ) \vee d \\ \Rightarrow (b \vee d) \wedge (a^\circ \vee d) &= (c \vee d) \wedge (a^\circ \vee d), \text{ by distributivity of } d \\ \Rightarrow (b \vee d, c \vee d) &\in \theta[\varphi_L(a)]. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore a pair $(\theta[(a)], \theta[\varphi_L(a)])$ is a K_2 -congruence pair of L .

We denote the set of all K_2 -congruence pairs of the form $(\theta[(a)], \theta[\varphi_L(a)], a \in B(L)$ by $A(L)$, that is $A(L) = \{(\theta[(a)], \theta[\varphi_L(a)]): a \in B(L)\}$.

Theorem 29 Let L be a K_2 -algebra with $L^\vee = [d]$ satisfying condition (1). Then $A(L)$ is a bounded sublattice of $A(L)$. Moreover, $A(L)$ is a Boolean algebra on its own.

Proof. Since $(\theta[(0)], \theta[\varphi_L(0)]) = (\Delta_{L^\circ}, \Delta_{L^\vee})$ and $(\theta[(1)], \theta[\varphi_L(1)]) = (\nabla_{L^\circ}, \nabla_{L^\vee})$, then $(\Delta_{L^\circ}, \Delta_{L^\vee}), (\nabla_{L^\circ}, \nabla_{L^\vee}) \in A(L)$.

Let

$(\theta[(a)], \theta[\varphi_L(a)], (\theta[(b)], \theta[\varphi_L(b)]) \in A(L)$. Then by using Lemma 22 and 27, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &(\theta[(a)], \theta[\varphi_L(a)]) \\ &\quad \vee (\theta[(b)], \theta[\varphi_L(b)]) \\ &= (\theta[(a)] \vee \theta[(b)], \theta[\varphi_L(a)] \\ &\quad \vee \theta[\varphi_L(b)]) \\ &= (\theta[(a \vee b)], \theta[\varphi_L(a \vee b)]) \in A(L), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &(\theta[(a)], \theta[\varphi_L(a)]) \\ &\quad \wedge (\theta[(b)], \theta[\varphi_L(b)]) \\ &= (\theta[(a)] \wedge \theta[(b)], \theta[\varphi_L(a)] \\ &\quad \wedge \theta[\varphi_L(b)]) \\ &= (\theta[(a \wedge b)], \theta[\varphi_L(a \wedge b)]) \in A(L). \end{aligned}$$

Then $A(L)$ is a bounded sublattice of $A(L)$. Define a unary operation $^\circ$ on $A(L)$ by $(\theta[(a)], \theta[\varphi_L(a)])^\circ = (\theta[(a^\circ)], \theta[\varphi_L(a^\circ)]) \in A(L)$.

In order to show that $A(L)$ is a Boolean algebra, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &(\theta[(a)], \theta[\varphi_L(a)]) \\ &\quad \vee (\theta[(a)], \theta[\varphi_L(a)])^\circ \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (\theta[(a)] \vee \theta[(a^\circ)], \theta[\varphi_L(a)] \\
 &\quad \vee \theta[\varphi_L(a^\circ)]) \\
 &= (\theta[(a \vee a^\circ)], \theta[\varphi_L(a \vee a^\circ)]) \\
 &= (\theta[(1)], \theta[\varphi_L(1)]) = (\nabla_{L^\circ}, \nabla_{L^\vee}), \\
 &\text{and} \\
 &\quad (\theta[(a)], \theta[\varphi_L(a)]) \\
 &\quad \wedge (\theta[(a)], \theta[\varphi_L(a)])^\circ \\
 &= (\theta[(a)], \theta[\varphi_L(a)]) \\
 &\quad \wedge (\theta[(a^\circ)], \theta[\varphi_L(a^\circ)]) \\
 &= (\theta[(a)] \wedge \theta[(a^\circ)], \theta[\varphi_L(a)] \\
 &\quad \wedge \theta[\varphi_L(a^\circ)]) \\
 &= (\theta[(a \wedge a^\circ)], \theta[\varphi_L(a \wedge a^\circ)]) \\
 &= (\theta[(0)], \theta[\varphi_L(0)]) = (\Delta_{L^\circ}, \Delta_{L^\vee}). \\
 &\text{Then} \\
 &(A(L); \vee, \wedge, \circ, (\Delta_{L^\circ}, \Delta_{L^\vee}), (\nabla_{L^\circ}, \nabla_{L^\vee})) \text{ is a} \\
 &\text{Boolean algebra.}
 \end{aligned}$$

5 Permutability of \underline{K}_2 -Algebras

In this section, we introduce the notion of n -permutability of congruences of \underline{K}_2 -algebras in terms of \underline{K}_2 -congruence pairs.

Definition 30 A \underline{K}_2 -algebra L is said to have n -permutable congruences if every two congruences α, β on L are n -permutable, that is $\alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha \circ \dots = \beta \circ \alpha \circ \beta \circ \dots$, (n times).

Lemma 31 Let L be a \underline{K}_2 -algebra with $L^\vee = [d]$. Consider α, β be two congruences on L . Then we have

$$(i) (\alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha \circ \dots)_{L^\circ} = \alpha_{L^\circ} \circ \beta_{L^\circ} \circ \alpha_{L^\circ} \circ \dots, (n \text{ times}),$$

$$(ii) (\alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha \circ \dots)_{L^\vee} = \alpha_{L^\vee} \circ \beta_{L^\vee} \circ \alpha_{L^\vee} \circ \dots, (n \text{ times}).$$

Proof. (i) Since α_{L° and β_{L° are the restrictions of α and β to L° , respectively, then it is clear that

$$\alpha_{L^\circ} \circ \beta_{L^\circ} \circ \alpha_{L^\circ} \circ \dots = (\alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha \circ \dots)_{L^\circ}.$$

Conversely, let $a, b \in L^\circ$ such that $a \equiv b(\alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha \circ \dots)_{L^\circ}$. Then there exist $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_{n-1} \in L$ such that $a \equiv c_1(\alpha), c_1 \equiv c_2(\beta), \dots, c_{n-1} \equiv b(\alpha)$ if n is odd, or $a \equiv c_1(\alpha), c_1 \equiv c_2(\beta), \dots, c_{n-1} \equiv b(\beta)$ if n is even.

Then we have

$$a = a^\circ \equiv c_1^\circ(\alpha), c_1^\circ \equiv c_2^\circ(\beta), \dots, c_{n-1}^\circ \equiv b^\circ(\alpha) = b \text{ if } n \text{ is odd,}$$

or

$$a = a^\circ \equiv c_1^\circ(\alpha), c_1^\circ \equiv c_2^\circ(\beta), \dots, c_{n-1}^\circ \equiv b^\circ(\beta) = b \text{ if } n \text{ is even.}$$

Since $c_1^\circ, c_2^\circ, \dots, c_{n-1}^\circ \in L^\circ$, then

$$a \equiv c_1^\circ(\alpha_{L^\circ}), c_1^\circ \equiv c_2^\circ(\beta_{L^\circ}), \dots, c_{n-1}^\circ \equiv b(\alpha_{L^\circ}) \text{ if } n \text{ is odd, or}$$

$$a \equiv c_1^\circ(\alpha_{L^\circ}), c_1^\circ \equiv c_2^\circ(\beta_{L^\circ}), \dots, c_{n-1}^\circ \equiv b(\beta_{L^\circ}) \text{ if } n \text{ is even.}$$

Therefore $a \equiv b(\alpha_{L^\circ} \circ \beta_{L^\circ} \circ \alpha_{L^\circ} \circ \dots)$

and hence $(\alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha \circ \dots)_{L^\circ} \subseteq \alpha_{L^\circ} \circ \beta_{L^\circ} \circ \alpha_{L^\circ} \circ \dots$

Thus we get $(\alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha \circ \dots)_{L^\circ} = \alpha_{L^\circ} \circ \beta_{L^\circ} \circ \alpha_{L^\circ} \circ \dots$, (n times).

(ii) Clearly, $\alpha_{L^\vee} \circ \beta_{L^\vee} \circ \alpha_{L^\vee} \circ \dots \subseteq (\alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha \circ \dots)_{L^\vee}$. Conversely, let

$x, y \in L^\vee$ such that $x \equiv y(\alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha \circ \dots)_{L^\vee}$. Then there exist

$z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{n-1} \in L$ such that

$$x \equiv z_1(\alpha), z_1 \equiv z_2(\beta), \dots, z_{n-1} \equiv y(\alpha) \text{ if } n \text{ is odd, or}$$

$$x \equiv z_1(\alpha), z_1 \equiv z_2(\beta), \dots, z_{n-1} \equiv y(\beta) \text{ if } n \text{ is even.}$$

Thus we have

$$x = x \vee d \equiv z_1 \vee d(\alpha), z_1 \vee d \equiv z_2 \vee d(\beta), \dots, z_{n-1} \vee d \equiv y \vee d(\alpha)$$

$= y$, if n is odd, or

$$x = x \vee d \equiv z_1 \vee d(\alpha), z_1 \vee d \equiv z_2 \vee d(\beta), \dots, z_{n-1} \vee d \equiv y \vee d(\beta)$$

$= y$, if n is even.

Since $z_1 \vee d, z_2 \vee d, \dots, z_{n-1} \vee d \in L^\vee$, then

$$x \equiv z_1 \vee d(\alpha_{L^\vee}), z_1 \vee d \equiv z_2 \vee d(\beta_{L^\vee}), \dots, z_{n-1} \vee d \equiv y(\alpha_{L^\vee}), \text{ if } n \text{ is odd,}$$

or



$x \equiv z_1 \vee d(\alpha_{L^V}), z_1 \vee d \equiv z_2 \vee d(\beta_{L^V}),$
 $\dots, z_{n-1} \vee d \equiv y(\beta_{L^V}),$ if n is even.
 Hence $x \equiv y(\alpha_{L^V} \circ \beta_{L^V} \circ \alpha_{L^V} \circ \dots)$ and
 then $(\alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha \circ \dots)_{L^V} \subseteq \alpha_{L^V} \circ \beta_{L^V} \circ \alpha_{L^V} \circ \dots$.
 Therefore $(\alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha \circ \dots)_{L^V} = \alpha_{L^V} \circ \beta_{L^V} \circ \alpha_{L^V} \circ \dots, (n \text{ times}).$

Now, a characterization of n -permutable of congruences is given in the following Theorem.

Theorem 32 *Let L be a \underline{K}_2 -algebra with $L^V = [d]$. Then L has n -permutable congruences iff L° and L^V have n -permutable congruences.*

Proof. Let L has n -permutable congruences. Let α, β be any two congruences on L . Then by lemma 31(i) and (ii), respectively, we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{L^{\circ\circ}} \circ \beta_{L^{\circ\circ}} \circ \alpha_{L^{\circ\circ}} \circ \dots &= (\alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha \circ \dots)_{L^{\circ\circ}} \\ &= (\beta \circ \alpha \circ \beta \circ \dots)_{L^{\circ\circ}} \\ &= \beta_{L^{\circ\circ}} \circ \alpha_{L^{\circ\circ}} \circ \beta_{L^{\circ\circ}} \circ \dots, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{L^V} \circ \beta_{L^V} \circ \alpha_{L^V} \circ \dots &= (\alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha \circ \dots)_{L^V} \\ &= (\beta \circ \alpha \circ \beta \circ \dots)_{L^V} \\ &= \beta_{L^V} \circ \alpha_{L^V} \circ \beta_{L^V} \circ \dots \end{aligned}$$

Therefore L° and L^V have n -permutable congruences. Conversely, Let L° and L^V have n -permutable congruences. If $a \equiv b(\alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha \circ \dots)$, then by Theorem 12, $(\alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha \circ \dots)$ corresponds to the \underline{K}_2 -congruence pair $((\alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha \circ \dots)_{L^{\circ\circ}}, (\alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha \circ \dots)_{L^V})$. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} a^\circ &\equiv b^\circ(\alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha \circ \dots)_{L^{\circ\circ}} \text{ and} \\ a \vee d &\equiv b \vee d(\alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha \circ \dots)_{L^V}. \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 31 (i) and (ii), respectively, we get

$$\begin{aligned} a^\circ &\equiv b^\circ(\alpha_{L^{\circ\circ}} \circ \beta_{L^{\circ\circ}} \circ \alpha_{L^{\circ\circ}} \circ \dots) \text{ and} \\ a \vee d &\equiv b \vee d(\alpha_{L^V} \circ \beta_{L^V} \circ \alpha_{L^V} \circ \dots). \end{aligned}$$

Since $\alpha_{L^{\circ\circ}}, \beta_{L^{\circ\circ}}$ and $\alpha_{L^V}, \beta_{L^V}$ are n -permutable on L° and L^V , respectively, then

$$\begin{aligned} a^\circ &\equiv b^\circ(\beta_{L^{\circ\circ}} \circ \alpha_{L^{\circ\circ}} \circ \beta_{L^{\circ\circ}} \circ \dots) \text{ and} \\ a \vee d &\equiv b \vee d(\beta_{L^V} \circ \alpha_{L^V} \circ \beta_{L^V} \circ \dots). \end{aligned}$$

Again by Lemma 31 (i) and (ii), respectively, we have

$$\begin{aligned} a^\circ &\equiv b^\circ(\beta \circ \alpha \circ \beta \circ \dots)_{L^{\circ\circ}} \text{ and} \\ a \vee d &\equiv b \vee d(\beta \circ \alpha \circ \beta \circ \dots)_{L^V}. \end{aligned}$$

Then by using Theorem 12, we obtain that $a \equiv b(\beta \circ \alpha \circ \beta \circ \dots)$ and hence $\alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha \circ \dots \subseteq \beta \circ \alpha \circ \beta \circ \dots$. Similarly, we can get $\beta \circ \alpha \circ \beta \circ \dots \subseteq \alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha \circ \dots$. Therefore $\alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha \circ \dots = \beta \circ \alpha \circ \beta \circ \dots$ and hence L has n -permutable congruences.

For 2-permutability of congruences we have the following:

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Corollary 33 *Let L be a \underline{K}_2 -algebra with $L^V = [d]$. Then L has 2-permutable congruences if and only if L° and L^V have 2-permutable congruences.*

If $L \in \underline{S}$, then L° is a Boolean algebra and $L^V = D(L)$, by Lemma 15. It is known that each Boolean algebra has n -permutable congruences. So, we have the following:

Corollary 34 *Let $L \in \underline{S}$ with $L^V = [d]$. Then L has n -permutable congruences if and only if L^V has n -permutable congruences.*

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