

Co-derivative operators on BL-algebras

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Abstract

In this study we establish and investigate multiplicative co-derivative operators on BL-algebras. We also indicate that multiplicative co-derivative operators are more general operators than multiplicative interior operators and modal operators on BL-algebras. Furthermore, we describe relations between multiplicative co-derivative operators on BL-algebras and on the algebras of their regular elements. Moreover, \mathbf{f} -filters (\mathbf{f} -derivative systems) will be introduced on BL-algebras depending on any multiplicative co-derivative operator \mathbf{f} on BL-algebras. We also show that some sets of BL-algebras are \mathbf{f} -filters (\mathbf{f} -deductive systems) on BL-algebras. Next, we will define quotient BL-algebra by means of any multiplicative co-derivative operator \mathbf{f} on BL-algebra and any \mathbf{f} -derivative systems on BL-algebra. Finally, we will define a new operator on the quotient BL-algebra with the aid of the operator \mathbf{f} and show that the new operator is a multiplicative co-derivative operator on the quotient BL-algebra.

Keywords: BL-algebras, multiplicative interior operator, modal operator, multiplicative co-derivative operator.

BL-cebirleri üzerindeki çarpımsal co-türev operatörleri

Öz

Bu çalışmada, BL-cebirleri üzerindeki çarpımsal co-türev operatörleri tanıtılacak ve incelenecektir. Aynı zamanda, çarpımsal co-türev operatörlerinin çarpımsal iç operatörler ve modal operatörlerden daha genel operatörler oldukları vurgulanacaktır. Ayrıca, BL-cebirleri ve bu cebirlerin regüler elemanlarının oluşturduğu cebirler üzerinde tanımlı çarpımsal co-türev operatörleri arasındaki ilişkiler betimlenecektir. Dahası, BL-cebirleri üzerindeki herhangi bir çarpımsal co-türev operatörü \mathbf{f} ' e bağlı olarak BL-cebirleri üzerinde \mathbf{f} -süzgeçler (\mathbf{f} -türetim sistemleri) tanıtılacaktır. Ek olarak, BL-

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cebirlerinin bazı kümelerinin \mathbf{f} -süzgeçler (\mathbf{f} -türetim sistemleri) oldukları gösterilecektir. Sonra, BL-cebiri üzerindeki herhangi bir çarpımsal türev operatörü \mathbf{f} ve BL-cebirinin herhangi bir \mathbf{f} -türetim sistemi yardımı ile bölüm BL-cebiri tanımlanacaktır. Son olarak, \mathbf{f} -operatörü yardımı ile bölüm BL cebiri üzerinde yeni bir operatör tanımlanacak ve bu yeni operatörün çarpımsal bir co-türev operatörü olduğu gösterilecektir.

Anahtar kelimeler: BL-cebirleri, çarpımsal iç operatör, modal operatör, çarpımsal co-türev operatör.

1. Introduction

BL-algebras as the algebraic structures of basic fuzzy logic were introduced by Hájek in [1]. Product algebras, MV-algebras and Gödel algebras are special cases of BL-algebras.

Topological Boolean algebras defined with topological closure operators and interior operators in [2] are generalizations of topological spaces. Closure and interior MV-algebras which were defined with the aid of multiplicative interior operators and additive closure operators in [3] were introduced qua generalizations of topological Boolean algebras. Since that time, these operators are considered on some algebras, such as, R-monoids and commutative bounded residuated lattice. Derivative and coderivative MV-algebras defined with additive derivative and multiplicative coderivative operators in [4] as generalizations of closure and interior MV-algebras were introduced and investigated.

Modal operators were introduced and investigated on Heyting algebras which are the algebraic counterpart of the intuitionistic propositional logic in [5]. Properties of modal operators are investigated on some algebras, for example, commutative residuated lattice, MV-algebras, commutative R-monoids and so on.

In this study, we establish and study multiplicative co-derivative operators on BL-algebras. We show that multiplicative co-derivative operators are more general operators than multiplicative interior operators and modal operators. We describe relations between multiplicative co-derivative operators on BL-algebras and on the MV-algebras of their regular elements. At the same time, we introduce \mathbf{f} -filters (\mathbf{f} -deductive systems) and study on them. Finally, we study multiplicative co-derivative operators on quotient BL-algebras.

2. Preliminaries

We remember that an algebra $(A, \odot, \wedge, \vee, \rightarrow, 0, 1)$ is named as a BL-algebra ([6-7]) if it satisfies the belows:

- (B1) $(A, \odot, 1)$ is a commutative monoid,
- (B2) $(A, \wedge, \vee, 0, 1)$ is a bounded lattice,
- (B3) $x \odot y \leq z$ iff $x \leq y \rightarrow z$,
- (B4) $x \wedge y = x \odot (x \rightarrow y)$
- (B5) $(x \rightarrow y) \vee (y \rightarrow x) = 1$.

On any BL-algebra A we define a unary operator as $x^- = x \rightarrow 0$ and a binary operator \oplus such that $x \oplus y = (x^- \odot y^-)^-$.

2.1. Proposition ([6-8]) Suppose that A be a BL-algebra. In that case the belows hold:

- 1) $x \odot (x \rightarrow y) \leq y$,
- 2) $x \odot y \leq x \wedge y \leq x \vee y$,
- 3) $1 \rightarrow x = x$, $x \rightarrow x = 1$, $x \rightarrow 1 = 1$,
- 4) $(x \oplus y)^- = x^- \odot y^-$, $(x \odot y)^- = x^- \oplus y^-$,
- 5) $(x \vee y)^- = x^- \wedge y^-$, $(x \wedge y)^- = x^- \vee y^-$,
- 6) $x \leq y$ implies $z \rightarrow x \leq z \rightarrow y$, $y \rightarrow z \leq x \rightarrow z$ and $x \odot z \leq y \odot z$,
- 7) $x \leq x^{--}$, $x^{----} = x^-$,
- 8) $1^- = 0$, $0^- = 1$, $1^{--} = 1$, $0^{--} = 0$,
- 9) $x \leq y$ iff $x \rightarrow y = 1$,
- 10) $(x \rightarrow y)^{--} = x \rightarrow y^{--}$,
- 11) $x \odot x^- = 0$, $x \oplus x^- = 1$,
- 12) $(x \rightarrow y)^{--} = x^{--} \rightarrow y^{--}$,
- 13) $(x \oplus y)^{--} = x^{--} \oplus y^{--} = x^{--} \oplus y = x \oplus y$,

for any $x, y, z \in A$.

2.2. Definition ([8]) Suppose that A is a BL-algebra. If a nonempty subset F of A satisfies the below conditions

- (F1) $x, y \in F$ implies $x \odot y \in F$,
(F2) $x \in F$, $y \in A$, $x \leq y$ implies $y \in F$,

Then it is named as a *filter* of A .

2.3. Definition ([7-8]) Suppose that A is a BL-algebra. If a subset D of A provides the following conditions

- (D1) $1 \in D$,
(D2) $x, x \rightarrow y \in D \Rightarrow y \in D$,

Then it is named as a *deductive system* of A . We will write a *dsystem* of A shortly instead of a *deductive system* of A from now on.

It is known that a subset of A is a dsystem of A iff it is a filter of A .

2.4. Theorem ([7]) Assume that D is a dsystem of BL-algebra A . Define $x \sim_D y$ iff $(x \rightarrow y) \odot (y \rightarrow x) \in D$. Then \sim_D is a congruence relation with respect to \odot , \wedge , \vee , \rightarrow , $-$.

2.5. Theorem ([7]) Assume that D is a dsystem of a BL-algebra A . Define the operators on A/D , the set of equivalence classes, as follows:

$$[x] \sqcap [y] = [x \wedge y], [x] \sqcup [y] = [x \vee y], [x] \otimes [y] = [x \odot y], [x] \rightarrow [y] = [x \rightarrow y]$$

and $[x] \leq [y]$ iff $x \rightarrow y \in D$ for all $[x], [y] \in A/D$.

Then $(A / D, \otimes, \sqcap, \sqcup, \rightarrow, [0], [1])$ is a BL-algebra.

3. BL-algebras with co-derivative operators

In this part of the study, we establish and study multiplicative co-derivative operators on BL-algebras.

3.1. Definition Suppose that A is a BL-algebra. We say that a mapping $\mathbf{f}: A \rightarrow A$ is a multiplicative co-derivative operator (mcd-operator) if for all $x, y \in A$, it satisfies following conditions:

- (t1) $\mathbf{f}(x) \odot \mathbf{f}(y) = \mathbf{f}(x \odot y)$,
- (t2) $x \odot \mathbf{f}(x) \leq \mathbf{f}\mathbf{f}(x)$,
- (t3) $\mathbf{f}(1)=1$.

When \mathbf{f} has the following property

- (t4) $\mathbf{f}(x) \leq \mathbf{f}\mathbf{f}(x)$

call it is a stronger mcd-operator on A .

3.2. Theorem The conditions of an mcd-operator on BL-algebra A are independet.

Proof. We have to find a function on BL-algebra A where the property is false while the others are true.

(t1) Let $A = \{0, p, q, 1\}$ be a set, where $0 \leq p, q \leq 1$. Define \odot and \rightarrow as in Table 1:

Table 1. Cayley tables of the binary operations \odot and \rightarrow

\odot	0	p	q	1
0	0	0	0	0
p	0	p	0	p
q	0	0	q	q
1	0	p	q	1

\rightarrow	0	p	q	1
0	1	1	1	1
p	q	1	q	1
q	p	p	1	1
1	0	p	q	1

Then A is a BL-algebra ([6]). We define $\mathbf{f}: A \rightarrow A$ as in Table 2:

Table 2.

x	0	p	q	1
$\mathbf{f}(x)$	0	q	q	1

\mathbf{f} satisfies (t2) and (t3) properties. We able to demonstrate that (t1) is not provided. Really, we get $x=p$ and $y=q$.

$$\mathbf{f}(x \odot y) = \mathbf{f}(p \odot q) = \mathbf{f}(0) = 0, \tag{1}$$

$$f(x) \odot f(y) = f(p) \odot f(q) = q \odot q = q, \tag{2}$$

Then,

$$f(x) \odot f(y) \neq f(x \odot y) \tag{3}$$

(t2) Let $A = \{0, a, b, p, 1\}$ be a set, where $0 \leq p \leq a, b \leq 1$. Define \odot and \rightarrow as in Table 3 :

Table 3. Cayley tables of the binary operations \odot and \rightarrow

\odot	0	p	a	b	1
0	0	0	0	0	0
p	0	p	p	p	p
a	0	p	a	p	a
b	0	p	p	b	b
1	0	p	a	b	1

\rightarrow	0	p	a	b	1
0	1	1	1	1	1
p	0	1	1	1	1
a	0	b	1	b	1
b	0	a	a	1	1
1	0	p	a	b	1

In that case, A is a BL-algebra ([9]). We set the function $f: A \rightarrow A$ as in Table 4:

Table 4.

x	0	p	a	b	1
f(x)	0	0	b	0	1

Then it is express that f satisfies (t1) and (t3) axioms. We take $x = a$. Then

$$a \odot f(a) = a \odot b = p, \tag{4}$$

$$ff(a) = f(f(a)) = f(b) = 0, \tag{5}$$

We have $p \not\leq 0$. Thus, axiom (t2) is not satisfied.

(t3) Suppose that A is a BL-algebra. We describe the function $f: A \rightarrow A$ by $f(x) = 0$ for all $x \in A$. Then it is easy to see that f provides (t1) and (t3) axioms but axiom (t3) is not satisfied. □

3.3. Example Let $A = \{0, p, q, 1\}$ be a set, where $0 \leq p, q \leq 1$. Define \odot and \rightarrow as in Table 1. We know that A is a BL-algebra. We define $f: A \rightarrow A$ as in Table 5:

Table 5.

x	0	p	q	1
$\mathbf{f}(x)$	0	q	0	1

Then it is easy to see that \mathbf{f} provides (t1) - (t3) axioms. So, \mathbf{f} is an mcd-operator. However, \mathbf{f} does not satisfy (t4) axiom. Indeed, we take $x = p$. Then $\mathbf{f}(p) = q \not\leq \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{f}(p)) = \mathbf{f}(q) = 0$. Thus, \mathbf{f} isn't a stronger mcd-operator.

3.4. Proposition If $\mathbf{f}: A \rightarrow A$ is an mcd-operator on BL-algebra A and $x \leq y$ for $x, y \in A$, then $\mathbf{f}(x) \leq \mathbf{f}(y)$.

Proof. Let $x \leq y$ for $x, y \in A$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{f}(x) &= \mathbf{f}(x \wedge y) = \mathbf{f}(y \wedge x) = \mathbf{f}(y \odot (y \rightarrow x)) \text{ by (B4)} \\ &= \mathbf{f}(y) \odot \mathbf{f}(y \rightarrow x) \text{ by (t1)} \\ &\leq \mathbf{f}(y) \wedge \mathbf{f}(y \rightarrow x) \leq \mathbf{f}(y) \text{ by 2.1. Proposition (2).} \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

□

3.5. Definition ([3,8]) Suppose that A is a BL-algebra. If a mapping $f: A \rightarrow A$ satisfies the following conditions

- (i1) $f(x) \odot f(y) = f(x \odot y)$,
- (i2) $f(x) \leq x$,
- (i3) $f(x) = ff(x)$,
- (i4) $f(1)=1$,

for $x, y \in A$, then it is named as a multiplicative interior operator (mi-operator) on A .

3.6. Remark Let f be an mi-operator on BL-algebra A . It is clear that f satisfies (t1) - (t3) and (t4) axioms. Then f is a strong mcd-operator. But, an mcd-operator \mathbf{f} may not be an mi-operator.

3.7. Example Suppose that A is a BL-algebra. We take the operator $\mathbf{f}: A \rightarrow A$ as $\mathbf{f}(x) = 1$ for all $x \in A$. It is clear that \mathbf{f} is an mcd-operator. But \mathbf{f} isn't an mi-operator. Because \mathbf{f} does not satisfy (i2) axiom.

3.8. Definition ([10-11]) Suppose that A is a BL-algebra. We say that a unary mapping $f: A \rightarrow A$ is a modal operator on A if for any $x, y \in A$

- (m1) $f(x) \odot f(y) = f(x \odot y)$,
 - (m2) $x \leq f(x)$,
 - (m3) $f(x) = ff(x)$,
- for any $x, y \in A$.

3.9. Remark Let f be a modal operator on BL-algebra A . It is obvious that f satisfies (t1) - (t3) and (t4) axioms. Then f is a strong mcd-operator. But, an mcd-operator \mathbf{f} may not be an modal operator.

3.10. Example Suppose that A is a BL-algebra. We take the operator $\mathbf{f}: A \rightarrow A$ as

$$\mathbf{f}(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x = 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}, \quad (7)$$

for all $x \in A$. It is clear that \mathbf{f} is an mcd-operator. But \mathbf{f} isn't a modal operator. Because \mathbf{f} does not satisfy (m2) axiom.

3.11. Proposition Let \mathbf{f} be an mcd-operator on BL-algebra A . Then we get

- (i) $\mathbf{f}(x \rightarrow y) \leq \mathbf{f}(x) \rightarrow \mathbf{f}(y)$,
- (ii) $\mathbf{f}(x \wedge y) \leq \mathbf{f}(x) \wedge \mathbf{f}(y)$,
- (iii) $x \leq \mathbf{f}(x) \rightarrow \mathbf{f}\mathbf{f}(x)$ and $\mathbf{f}(x) \leq x \rightarrow \mathbf{f}\mathbf{f}(x)$,

for any $x, y \in A$.

Proof. (i) Let $x, y \in A$. Then,

$$\mathbf{f}(x \odot (x \rightarrow y)) \leq \mathbf{f}(y) \text{ by 2.1. Proposition (1) and 3.4. Proposition.} \quad (8)$$

$$\mathbf{f}(x \odot (x \rightarrow y)) = \mathbf{f}(x) \odot \mathbf{f}(x \rightarrow y) = \mathbf{f}(x \rightarrow y) \odot \mathbf{f}(x) \leq \mathbf{f}(y). \quad (9)$$

We have,

$$\mathbf{f}(x \rightarrow y) \leq \mathbf{f}(x) \rightarrow \mathbf{f}(y) \quad \text{by} \quad (\text{B3}) \quad (10)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii) } \mathbf{f}(x \wedge y) &= \mathbf{f}(x \odot (x \rightarrow y)) = \mathbf{f}(x) \odot \mathbf{f}(x \rightarrow y) \text{ by (B4) and (t1)} \\ &\leq \mathbf{f}(x) \odot (\mathbf{f}(x) \rightarrow \mathbf{f}(y)) \text{ by 2.1. Proposition (6)} \\ &= \mathbf{f}(x) \wedge \mathbf{f}(y) \quad \text{by} \quad (\text{B4}). \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

(iii) We have,

$$x \odot \mathbf{f}(x) = \mathbf{f}(x) \odot x \leq \mathbf{f}\mathbf{f}(x) \text{ by (t2) and (B1).} \quad (12)$$

It is clear that

$$x \leq \mathbf{f}(x) \rightarrow \mathbf{f}\mathbf{f}(x) \text{ and } \mathbf{f}(x) \leq x \rightarrow \mathbf{f}\mathbf{f}(x) \text{ by (B3)} \quad (13)$$

□

3.12. Theorem Let \mathbf{f}_1 and \mathbf{f}_2 be two strong mcd-operator on BL-algebra A . If $\mathbf{f}_1\mathbf{f}_2 = \mathbf{f}_2\mathbf{f}_1$, then $\mathbf{f}_1\mathbf{f}_2$ is a strong mcd-operator on BL-algebra A .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proof. (t1) } (\mathbf{f}_1\mathbf{f}_2)(x \odot y) &= \mathbf{f}_1(\mathbf{f}_2(x \odot y)) = \mathbf{f}_1(\mathbf{f}_2(x) \odot \mathbf{f}_2(y)) \\ &= \mathbf{f}_1(\mathbf{f}_2(x)) \odot \mathbf{f}_1(\mathbf{f}_2(y)) = (\mathbf{f}_1\mathbf{f}_2)(x) \odot (\mathbf{f}_1\mathbf{f}_2)(y). \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

$$(t3) \ (\mathbf{f}_1\mathbf{f}_2)(1) = \mathbf{f}_1(\mathbf{f}_2(1)) = \mathbf{f}_1(1) = 1 \text{ by (t3).} \quad (15)$$

(t4) We have,

$$\mathbf{f}_2(x) \leq \mathbf{f}_2\mathbf{f}_2(x) \text{ by (t4)} \quad (16)$$

Then,

$$\mathbf{f}_1(\mathbf{f}_2(x)) \leq \mathbf{f}_1(\mathbf{f}_2\mathbf{f}_2(x)) \leq \mathbf{f}_1(\mathbf{f}_1(\mathbf{f}_2\mathbf{f}_2(x))) \text{ by 3.4. Proposition and (t4)} \quad (17)$$

So,

$$(\mathbf{f}_1\mathbf{f}_2)(x) \leq (\mathbf{f}_1\mathbf{f}_2)(\mathbf{f}_1\mathbf{f}_2)(x). \quad (18)$$

Meanwhile, $\mathbf{f}_1\mathbf{f}_2$ satisfies (t2) axiom.

(t2) We know that $x \odot (\mathbf{f}_1\mathbf{f}_2)(x) \leq x \wedge (\mathbf{f}_1\mathbf{f}_2)(x) \leq (\mathbf{f}_1\mathbf{f}_2)(x)$ by 2.1. Proposition (2). Then $x \odot (\mathbf{f}_1\mathbf{f}_2)(x) \leq (\mathbf{f}_1\mathbf{f}_2)(x) \leq (\mathbf{f}_1\mathbf{f}_2)(\mathbf{f}_1\mathbf{f}_2)(x)$ by (t4). \square

3.13. Proposition Suppose that A is a BL-algebra. In that case $\overset{\sim}{\sim} : A \rightarrow A$ is a strong mcd-operator on BL-algebra A .

Proof. Let $x, y \in A$.

$$(t1) \ (x \odot y)^{\sim\sim} = x^{\sim\sim} \odot y^{\sim\sim} \text{ by 2.1. Proposition (4).} \quad (19)$$

$$(t3) \ 1^{\sim\sim} = (1^-)^{\sim} = 0^- = 1. \quad (20)$$

(t4) We have $x^{\sim\sim\sim\sim} = x^{\sim\sim}$ by 2.1. Proposition (7). Then $x^{\sim\sim} \leq x^{\sim\sim\sim\sim}$. \square

An element x of a BL-algebra A is called regular if $x^{\sim\sim} = x$. We will denote by $Reg(A)$ to the set of all regular elements in A . We set $x \underline{\vee} y = (x \vee y)^{\sim\sim}$, $x \underline{\wedge} y = (x \wedge y)^{\sim\sim}$, $x \underline{\odot} y = (x \odot y)^{\sim\sim}$, $x \underline{\rightsquigarrow} y = (x \rightarrow y)^{\sim\sim}$ for any $x, y \in Reg(A)$.

We known that If A is a BL-algebra, then $x \underline{\odot} y = (x \odot y)^{\sim\sim} = x^{\sim\sim} \odot y^{\sim\sim}$ for all $x, y \in A$. Because of this, $x \underline{\odot} y = x \odot y$ for any $x, y \in Reg(A)$. If A is a BL-algebra, then $x \underline{\rightsquigarrow} y = (x \rightarrow y)^{\sim\sim} = x^{\sim\sim} \rightarrow y^{\sim\sim}$ by 2.1. Proposition (12). So, $x \underline{\rightsquigarrow} y = x \rightarrow y$ for any $x, y \in Reg(A)$. It is obvious that $x \underline{\wedge} y = x \wedge y$.

3.14. Proposition ([12]) If A is a BL-algebra, then $(Reg(A), \underline{\odot}, \underline{\wedge}, \underline{\vee}, \underline{\rightsquigarrow}, 0, 1)$ is the largest subalgebra of A that is an MV-algebra.

3.15. Theorem Suppose that A is a BL-algebra, $\mathbf{f} : A \rightarrow A$ is an (a strong) mcd-operator on A and $\hat{\mathbf{f}} : Reg(A) \rightarrow Reg(A)$ is the mapping such that $\hat{\mathbf{f}}(x) = (\mathbf{f}(x))^{\sim\sim}$ for any $x \in Reg(A)$. Then $\hat{\mathbf{f}}$ is an (a strong) mcd-operator on $Reg(A)$.

Proof. Let $x, y \in Reg(A)$.

$$(t1) \hat{f}(x \odot y) = (f(x \odot y))^{--} = (f(x) \odot f(y))^{--} = (f(x))^{--} \odot (f(y))^{--} \\ = \hat{f}(x) \odot \hat{f}(y) = \hat{f}(x) \odot \hat{f}(y).$$

(21)

$$(t2) x \odot \hat{f}(x) = x \odot \hat{f}(x) = x \odot (f(x))^{--} = x^{--} \odot (f(x))^{--} = (x \odot f(x))^{--} \\ \leq (ff(x))^{--} \leq (f(f(x)))^{--} \text{ by 2.1. Proposition (7) and 3.4.}$$

Proposition

$$= (f(\hat{f}(x)))^{--} = \hat{f}(\hat{f}(x)) = \hat{f}\hat{f}(x). \tag{22}$$

$$(t3) \hat{f}(1) = (f(1))^{--} = (1)^{--} = 1. \tag{23}$$

(t4) If f has the stronger property, then

$$\hat{f}(x) = (f(x))^{--} \leq (ff(x))^{--} \leq (f(f(x)))^{--} = (f(\hat{f}(x)))^{--} = \hat{f}(\hat{f}(x)) \\ = \hat{f}\hat{f}(x).$$

(24)

□

3.16. Theorem Suppose that A is a BL-algebra, $f^* : Reg(A) \rightarrow Reg(A)$ is an (a strong) mcd-operator on $Reg(A)$. Then the mapping $f : A \rightarrow A$ as $f(x) = f^*(x^{--})$ for any $x \in A$ is an (a strong) mcd-operator on A .

Proof. Let $x, y \in A$.

$$(t1) f(x \odot y) = f^*((x \odot y)^{--}) = f^*(x^{--} \odot y^{--}) = f^*(x^{--} \odot y^{--}) \\ = f^*(x^{--}) \odot f^*(y^{--}) = f(x) \odot f(y).$$

(25)

$$(t2) x \odot f(x) = x \odot f^*(x^{--}) \leq x^{--} \odot f^*(x^{--}) = x^{--} \odot f^*(x^{--}) \leq f^*f^*(x^{--}) \\ \leq f^*((f^*(x^{--}))^{--}) = f^*((f(x))^{--}) = f(f(x)) = ff(x). \tag{26}$$

$$(t3) f(1) = f^*(1^{--}) = f^*(1) = 1. \tag{27}$$

(t4) If f^* has the stronger property, then

$$f(x) = f^*(x^{--}) \leq f^*f^*(x^{--}) \leq f^*((f^*(x^{--}))^{--}) \\ = f^*((f(x))^{--}) = f(f(x)) = ff(x). \tag{28}$$

□

3.17. Definition Let A be a BL-algebra with mcd-operator f and $F(D)$ be a filter (dsystem) of A . Then $F(D)$ is called a f -filter (f -dsystem) if $f(x) \in F$ ($f(x) \in D$) for every $x \in F$ ($x \in D$).

3.18. Proposition Let A be a BL-algebra with mcd-operator f . Then the subset $D = \{x \in A : f(x) = 1\}$ of A is a f -dsystem of A .

Proof.

(D1) $1 \in D$ by (t3).

(D2) Let $x, x \rightarrow y \in D$. Then $\mathbf{f}(x) = 1, \mathbf{f}(x \rightarrow y) = 1$. We have $x \odot (x \rightarrow y) \leq y$ from 2.1. Proposition (1). Since \mathbf{f} is a monotone mapping, we must have $\mathbf{f}(x \odot (x \rightarrow y)) = \mathbf{f}(x) \odot \mathbf{f}(x \rightarrow y) = 1 \odot 1 = 1 \leq \mathbf{f}(y)$. So, $\mathbf{f}(y) = 1$ and $y \in D$.

Finally, Let $x \in D$. Then we get $\mathbf{f}(x) = 1$. Hence, $\mathbf{f}\mathbf{f}(x) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{f}(x)) = \mathbf{f}(1) = 1$. It means that $\mathbf{f}(x) \in D$. \square

3.19. Theorem Suppose that A is a BL-algebra, $\mathbf{f}: A \rightarrow A$ be an (a strong) mcd-operator and D is a \mathbf{f} -dsystem of A . Then the mapping $\mathbf{f}^*: A/D \rightarrow A/D$ such that $\mathbf{f}^*([x]) = [\mathbf{f}(x)]$ is an (a strong) mcd-operator on the quotient BL-algebra A/D .

Proof. We know by 2.4. Theorem that \sim_D is a congruence relation according to $\odot, \wedge, \vee, \rightarrow, \bar{}$. Suppose that $x \sim_D y$. Then $(x \rightarrow y) \odot (y \rightarrow x) \in D$. We have $(x \rightarrow y) \odot (y \rightarrow x) \leq (x \rightarrow y)$ and $\mathbf{f}((x \rightarrow y) \odot (y \rightarrow x)) \leq \mathbf{f}(x \rightarrow y) \leq \mathbf{f}(x) \rightarrow \mathbf{f}(y)$ by 3.10. Proposition (i). Since D is a \mathbf{f} -dsystem of A , $\mathbf{f}(x) \rightarrow \mathbf{f}(y) \in D$ and similarly, $\mathbf{f}(y) \rightarrow \mathbf{f}(x) \in D$. So, $(\mathbf{f}(x) \rightarrow \mathbf{f}(y)) \odot (\mathbf{f}(y) \rightarrow \mathbf{f}(x)) \in D$. That means $\mathbf{f}(x) \sim_D \mathbf{f}(y)$. Therefore, the relation \sim_D is a congruence relation with respect to $\odot, \wedge, \vee, \rightarrow, \bar{}$ and \mathbf{f} . Finally, we have to show that \mathbf{f}^* is an mcd operator on A/D .

$$(t1) \mathbf{f}^*([x] \otimes [y]) = \mathbf{f}^*([x \odot y]) = [\mathbf{f}(x \odot y)] = [\mathbf{f}(x) \odot \mathbf{f}(y)] \text{ by 2.5. Theorem} \\ = [\mathbf{f}(x)] \otimes [\mathbf{f}(y)] = \mathbf{f}^*([x]) \otimes \mathbf{f}^*([y]) \text{ by 2.5. Theorem} \\ (29)$$

$$(t2) [x] \otimes \mathbf{f}^*([x]) = [x] \otimes [\mathbf{f}(x)] = [x \odot \mathbf{f}(x)] \leq [\mathbf{f}\mathbf{f}(x)] \text{ by 2.5. Theorem} \\ = [\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{f}(x))] = \mathbf{f}^*[\mathbf{f}(x)] = \mathbf{f}^*\mathbf{f}^*([x]). \quad (30)$$

$$(t3) \mathbf{f}^*([1]) = [\mathbf{f}(1)] = [1]. \quad (31)$$

If \mathbf{f} has the stronger property, then

$$(t4) \mathbf{f}^*([x]) = [\mathbf{f}(x)] \leq [\mathbf{f}\mathbf{f}(x)] = \mathbf{f}^*[\mathbf{f}(x)] = \mathbf{f}^*\mathbf{f}^*([x]). \quad (32) \\ \square$$

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