

## EXPANSIONS OF FILTERS IN *BL*-ALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT. In this note, the notions of an expansion of filters and  $(\tau, \sigma)$ -primary filters are introduced, and related properties are investigated.

### 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

*BL*-algebra have been invented by P. Hajek [2] in order to provide an algebraic proof of the completeness theorem of "Basic Logic" (*BL*, for short) arising from the continuous triangular norms, familiar in the fuzzy Logic framework. Also the notion of filter is defined [2]. In this paper we define the notions of an expansion of filters and  $(\tau, \sigma)$ -primary filters. Now, we recollect some definitions which will be used in the following. A *BL*-algebra is a structure  $(A, \wedge, \vee, *, \rightarrow, 0, 1)$  such that:

(BL1)  $(A, \wedge, \vee, 0, 1)$  is a bounded lattice,

(BL2)  $(A, *, 1)$  is a commutative monoid,

(BL3)  $*$  and  $\rightarrow$  form an adjoint pair i.e,  $c \leq a \rightarrow b$  if and only if  $a * c \leq b$  for all  $a, b, c \in A$  (residuation),

(BL4)  $a \wedge b = a * (a \rightarrow b)$  (divisibility),

(BL5)  $(a \rightarrow b) \vee (b \rightarrow a) = 1$  (prelinearity).

[2, 3] In each *BL*-algebra  $A$ , the following relations hold for all  $x, y, z \in A$ ,

(1)  $x \rightarrow (y \rightarrow z) = y \rightarrow (x \rightarrow z)$ ,

(2) If  $x \leq y$ , then  $y \rightarrow z \leq x \rightarrow z$  and  $z \rightarrow x \leq z \rightarrow y$ ,

(3)  $y \leq (y \rightarrow x) \rightarrow x$ ,

(4)  $y \rightarrow x \leq (z \rightarrow y) \rightarrow (z \rightarrow x)$ ,

(5)  $x \rightarrow y \leq (y \rightarrow z) \rightarrow (x \rightarrow z)$ .

[2] A deductive system of a *BL*-algebra  $A$  is a subset  $F$  containing 1 such that if  $x \rightarrow y \in F$  and  $x \in F$  imply  $y \in F$ . Hajek [2] defined a filter of a *BL*-algebra  $A$ . Note that a subset  $F$  of a *BL*-algebra  $A$  is a deductive system of  $A$  if and only if  $F$  is a filter of  $A$  [3]. Filter  $P$  is prime if and only if  $x \vee y \in P$  implies that  $x \in P$  or  $y \in P$ . Let  $F$  be a filter of  $A$ . Define the set of double complemented elements,  $D(F)$ , by  $D(F) = \{x \in A \mid x^{--} \in F\}$ . Let  $F, G$  be filters of  $A$ . Then  $\langle F \cup G \rangle = \{a \in A : b * c \leq a \text{ for some } b \in F, c \in G\}$ , [1].

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## 2. EXPANSIONS OF FILTERS

In the sequel let  $X$  be a  $BL$ -algebra.

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $F(X)$  be The set of all filters of  $X$ . An expansion of filters in  $X$  is defined to be a function  $\sigma : F(X) \longrightarrow F(X)$  such that

- (f1)  $(\forall F \in F(X)) (F \subseteq \sigma(F))$ .  
(f2)  $(\forall F, G \in F(X)) (F \subseteq G \Rightarrow \sigma(F) \subseteq \sigma(G))$ .

The following examples show the expansions of filter in  $BL$ -algebras.

**Example 2.2.** (1) The function  $\sigma_0 : F(X) \longrightarrow F(X)$  defined by  $\sigma_0(F) = F$  is an expansion of filters in  $X$ .

(2) Let  $\sigma : F(X) \longrightarrow F(X)$  be defined by  $\sigma(F) = D(F)$ . Then by [1] we can see that  $\sigma$  is an expansion of filters in  $X$ .

**Definition 2.3.** Let  $\tau$  and  $\sigma$  be expansions of filters. Then a filter  $F$  of  $X$  is said to be  $(\tau, \sigma)$ -primary if

$$(\forall a, b \in X)(a \vee b \in F, a \notin \tau(F) \Rightarrow b \in \sigma(F)).$$

Note that a filter  $F$  of  $X$  is  $(\tau_0, \sigma_0)$ -primary if and only if it is a prime filter of  $X$ , where  $(\tau_0$  and  $\sigma_0$  are the functions in Example 2.2(1)).

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  be expansions of filters in  $X$ . Then  $F$  is  $(\tau, \sigma)$ -primary if and only if  $F$  is  $(\sigma, \tau)$ -primary.

Note that if  $\tau = \sigma_0$ , then every  $(\sigma, \sigma_0)$ -primary is called  $\sigma$ -primary.

**Theorem 2.5.** Let  $\tau$  and  $\sigma$  be expansions of filters in  $X$ . Then every prime filter of  $X$  is  $(\tau, \sigma)$ -primary.

The following example shows that the converse of the above theorem may not be true.

**Examples 2.6.** Let  $B = \{0, a, b, c, d, 1\}$ . Define  $*$  and  $\rightarrow$  as follow:

$*$	1	$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$	0	$\rightarrow$	1	$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$	0
1	1	$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$	0	1	1	$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$	0
$a$	$a$	$b$	$b$	$d$	0	0	$a$	1	1	$a$	$c$	$c$	$d$
$b$	$b$	$b$	$b$	0	0	0	$b$	1	1	1	$c$	$c$	$c$
$c$	$c$	$d$	0	$c$	$d$	0	$c$	1	$a$	$b$	1	$a$	$b$
$d$	$d$	0	0	$d$	0	0	$d$	1	1	$a$	1	1	$a$
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1

Then  $(B, \wedge, \vee, *, \rightarrow, 0, 1)$  is a  $BL$ -algebra and it is clear that  $F = \{1\}$  is not prime. We can check that the only filters of  $X$  are  $\{1\}$  and  $\{1, c\}$ , then  $F(X) = \{\{1\}, \{1, c\}\}$ . Define  $\tau(F) = \{1, c\}$ , for all  $F \in F(X)$ , and so it is expansion of  $X$ . Also  $\{1\}$  is a  $\tau$ -primary, since only  $b \vee c = \{1\}$  and  $c \in \tau(\{1\})$ , but  $\{1\}$  is not prime filter.

**Lemma 2.7.** Let  $F$  be a filter of  $X$ . Then  $F$  is a prime filter if and only if  $F$  is  $(\tau, \sigma)$ -primary, for all expansions  $\tau$  and  $\sigma$ .

**Theorem 2.8.** Let  $\tau$  be an expansion of filters in  $X$ . If  $\tau(F)$  is a prime filter then  $F$  is a  $(\tau, \tau)$ -primary.

**Corollary 2.9.** Let  $\tau$  and  $\sigma$  be expansions of filters in  $X$  and  $F \in F(X)$ . If  $\tau(F)$  is a prime filter, then  $\tau(F)$  is a  $(\tau, \sigma)$ -primary.

**Theorem 2.10.** Let  $\tau, \sigma, \zeta$  and  $\delta$  are expansions of filters in  $X$  such that  $\tau \subseteq \zeta$  and  $\sigma \subseteq \delta$ , then every  $(\tau, \sigma)$ -primary filter is  $(\zeta, \delta)$ -primary.

**Corollary 2.11.** Let  $\tau$  and  $\sigma$  be expansions of filters in  $X$ . Then every  $\tau$ -primary is  $(\tau, \sigma)$ -primary.

Let  $y \in X$ . The function  $\sigma_y : F(X) \rightarrow F(X)$  defined by

$$(\forall F \in F(X))(\sigma_y(F) = \{x \in X : x \vee y \in F\}).$$

**Proposition 2.12.** Let  $F, G \in F(X)$ . Then

- (1)  $\sigma_y(F) \in F(X)$ ,
- (2)  $F \subseteq \sigma_y(F)$ ,
- (3)  $F \subseteq G \Rightarrow \sigma_y(F) \subseteq \sigma_y(G)$ ,
- (4)  $\sigma_y(\langle F \cup G \rangle) \subseteq \sigma_y(\langle \sigma_y(F) \cup \sigma_y(G) \rangle)$ ,
- (5)  $\sigma_y(F/G) = \sigma_y(F)/G$ ,
- (6)  $\sigma_y(\sigma_y(F)) = \sigma_y(F)$ ,
- (7)  $\sigma_y(F)$  is prime filter if and only if  $\sigma_y(F)$  is  $(\sigma_y, \sigma_y)$ -primary,
- (8)  $F$  is  $\sigma_{x \wedge y}$ -primary if and only if  $F$  is  $\sigma_y$  and  $\sigma_x$ -primary.

Hence  $\sigma_y$  is an expansion of filters in  $X$ .

**Proposition 2.13.** Let  $P$  and  $F$  be filters of  $X$  such that  $F \subseteq P$ . If  $P$  is prime, then  $\sigma_y(F) \subseteq P$ , for all  $y \in X - P$ .

**Theorem 2.14.** A filter  $P$  of  $X$  is prime if and only if  $\sigma_y(P) = P$ , for all  $y \in X - P$ .

**Corollary 2.15.** A filter  $P$  of  $X$  is prime if and only if  $P$  is  $(\sigma_y, \sigma_0)$ -primary for all  $y \in X - P$ .

**Theorem 2.16.** Let  $F$  be  $(\tau, \sigma)$ -primary. Then

$$(\forall F_1, F_2 \in F(X))(F_1 \vee F_2 \subseteq F, \tau(F_1) \not\subseteq F \Rightarrow \sigma(F_2) \subseteq F).$$

For any filters  $P$  and  $Q$  of  $X$ , the  $\langle P, Q \rangle$  of  $P$  and  $Q$  is defined to be

$$\langle P, Q \rangle = \bigcap_{y \in Q} \sigma_y(P) = \{x \in X : x \vee y \in P, \forall y \in Q\}.$$

Then  $\langle P, Q \rangle \in F(X)$ .

**Theorem 2.17.** Let  $P$  be  $\sigma$ -primary. Then

- (i) If  $F$  is a filter of  $X$  which is not contained in  $\sigma(F)$ , then  $\langle P, F \rangle = P$ .
- (ii)  $\langle P, F \rangle$  is  $\sigma$ -primary.

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