

A theorem of representation for Hilbert algebras

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ABSTRACT. The main scope of this paper is to prove the following theorem of representation for a Hilbert algebra A : There exist a complete residuated lattice $L_r(A)$ which is a G - algebra and an injective morphism of Hilbert algebras $i_A : A \rightarrow L_r(A)$. As a consequence, we deduce that the free Hertz algebra H_A over A (see [15]) is isomorphic with a Hertz subalgebra of $L_r(A)$. Also, I give the description of the elements of $L_r(A)$.

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1. Introduction

The concept of Hilbert algebras was introduced in the 50's by Henkin and Skolem for investigations in intuitionistic and other non-classical logics, as an algebraic counterpart of Hilbert's positive implicative propositional calculus ([16]). Hilbert algebras were intensively studied by A. Diego ([5]) and this theory was further developed by Busneag ([3]). BCK algebras were introduced by Iséki in 1966 ([9], [11]) to give an algebraic framework for Meredith's implicational logic BCK . Since Iséki's definition, these algebras have been studied by several authors. For further information see for example [2], [4], [7], [10], [12] and the references given there.

The paper is organized as follows: In Section 2 we recall the basic definitions and some results relative to BCK algebras; also we put in evidence some rules of calculus in Hilbert and BCK algebras (which we need in Section 3). In the final of Section 2 we put in evidence a theorem of embedding for Hilbert algebras into complete integral residuated lattices which is G - algebra (Theorem 2.2).

In Section 3 we give a characterization of the elements of the complete integral residuated lattice $L_r(A)$ from Section 2.

2. Preliminaries

In this paper the symbols \Rightarrow and \Leftrightarrow are used for logical implication and respectively logical equivalence.

Definition 2.1. ([4], [10]) *A BCK algebra is an algebra $(A, \rightarrow, 1)$ of type $(2,0)$ such that the following axioms are verified for every $x, y, z \in A$:*

- (a₁) $x \rightarrow x = 1$;
- (a₂) *If $x \rightarrow y = y \rightarrow x = 1$, then $x = y$;*
- (B) $(x \rightarrow y) \rightarrow ((y \rightarrow z) \rightarrow (x \rightarrow z)) = 1$;
- (C) $x \rightarrow (y \rightarrow z) = y \rightarrow (x \rightarrow z)$;

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(K) $x \rightarrow (y \rightarrow x) = 1$.

The relation $a \leq b$ iff $a \rightarrow b = 1$ is a partial order on A (called the *natural order* on A); with respect to this order 1 is the largest element of A .

For examples of *BCK* algebras see [4] and [10].

A *Hilbert algebra* ([3], [5], [10]) is a *BCK* algebra $(A, \rightarrow, 1)$ which verifies one of the following equivalent conditions for all $x, y \in A$:

(a₃): $x \rightarrow (x \rightarrow y) = x \rightarrow y$;

(a₄): $(x \rightarrow y) \rightarrow ((y \rightarrow x) \rightarrow x) = (y \rightarrow x) \rightarrow ((x \rightarrow y) \rightarrow y)$.

In a *BCK* algebra we have ([4], [7], [10], [12]) the following rules of calculus for $x, y, z \in A$:

(c₁) $x \leq y \rightarrow x$;

(c₂) $x \leq (x \rightarrow y) \rightarrow y$;

(c₃) $((x \rightarrow y) \rightarrow y) \rightarrow y = x \rightarrow y$;

(c₄) If $x \leq y$, then for every $z \in A$, $z \rightarrow x \leq z \rightarrow y$ and $y \rightarrow z \leq x \rightarrow z$;

(c₅) $x \rightarrow y \leq (z \rightarrow x) \rightarrow (z \rightarrow y) \leq z \rightarrow (x \rightarrow y)$;

(c₆) $x \rightarrow y \leq (y \rightarrow z) \rightarrow (x \rightarrow z)$.

If A is a Hilbert algebra, then

(c₇) $x \rightarrow (y \rightarrow z) = (x \rightarrow y) \rightarrow (x \rightarrow z)$.

If A is a *BCK* algebra and $x_1, \dots, x_n, x \in A$ ($n \geq 1$) we define $(x_1, \dots, x_n; x) = x_1 \rightarrow (x_2 \rightarrow \dots (x_n \rightarrow x) \dots)$.

Following (C) we deduce that if σ is permutation of $(1, 2, \dots, n)$, then for every $x, y, x_1, \dots, x_n \in A$:

(c₈) $(x_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, x_{\sigma(n)}; x) = (x_1, \dots, x_n; x)$;

(c₉) $(x_1, \dots, x_n; x \rightarrow y) = x \rightarrow (x_1, \dots, x_n; y)$.

If A is a Hilbert algebra then:

(c₁₀) $(x_1, \dots, x_n; x \rightarrow y) = (x_1, \dots, x_n; x) \rightarrow (x_1, \dots, x_n; y)$.

For a *BCK* algebra A , two elements $x, y \in A$ and a natural number $n \geq 1$ we denote $x \rightarrow_n y = (x, x, \dots, x; y)$, where n indicates the number of occurrences of x . Clearly, if A is a Hilbert algebra, then $x \rightarrow_n y = x \rightarrow y$, for every $n \geq 1$.

A *deductive system* (or *i-filter*) of a *BCK* algebra A is a nonempty subset $D \subseteq A$ such that:

(a₅) $1 \in D$;

(a₆) If $x, x \rightarrow y \in D$, then $y \in D$.

It is clear that if D is a deductive system, $a \leq b$ and $a \in D$, then $y \in D$ (that is, D is increasing subset of A).

We denote by $Ds(A)$ the set of all deductive systems of A (clearly, $\{1\}, A \in Ds(A)$).

For a nonempty subset $X \subseteq A$, the *deductive system generated by X* will be denoted by $[X]$. It is known ([7], [12]) that $[X] = \{x \in A : (x_1, \dots, x_n; x) = 1, \text{ for some } x_1, \dots, x_n \in X\}$. In particular for $a \in A$, $\{a\} \stackrel{\text{not}}{=} [a] = \{x \in A : a \rightarrow_n x = 1, \text{ for some } n \geq 1\}$.

If $D \in Ds(A)$ and $a \in A \setminus D$, then $[D \cup \{a\}] \stackrel{\text{not}}{=} D(a) = \{x \in A : a \rightarrow_n x \in D, \text{ for some } n \geq 1\}$.

In particular, if A is a Hilbert algebra, then for $X = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$, $[X] = \{x \in A : (x_1, \dots, x_n; x) = 1\}$ and if $D \in Ds(A)$ and $a \in A \setminus D$, then $D(a) = \{x \in A : a \rightarrow x \in D\}$.

Remark 2.1. If A is a Hilbert algebra, then if $X = \{x_1, \dots, x_m\}$ and $Y = \{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$, $[X \cup Y] = [X](y_1, \dots, y_n) = [Y](x_1, \dots, x_m)$

(where $[X](y_1, \dots, y_n) = (\dots([X](y_1))(y_2)\dots)(y_n)$).

For a BCK algebra A we let $W(A)$ denote the set of all words $\mathcal{X} = x_1x_2\dots x_n$ ($n \geq 1$) over A .

For any word $\mathcal{W} = x_1x_2\dots x_n \in W(A)$ and an element $a \in A$, we shall write $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow a = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n; a) \in A$.

Remark 2.2. *If $\mathcal{W} \in W(A)$, then $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow a = 1 \Rightarrow a \in [\mathcal{W}]$. If A is a Hilbert algebra, then $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow a = 1 \Leftrightarrow a \in [\mathcal{W}]$.*

From (C) we deduce that for $\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \in W(A)$ and $a \in A$, then:

(c₁₂) $\mathcal{X} \rightarrow (\mathcal{Y} \rightarrow a) = \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow (\mathcal{X} \rightarrow a) = (\mathcal{X}\mathcal{Y}) \rightarrow a$, where $\mathcal{X}\mathcal{Y} \in W(A)$ stand for concatenation of \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} .

Let $Fin(W(A))$ be the set of all finite non-empty subsets of $W(A)$.

One readily sees ([13]) that the relation ρ_A defined on $Fin(W(A))$ by the stipulation $\{\mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_m\} \rho_A \{\mathcal{Y}_1, \dots, \mathcal{Y}_n\}$ iff for all $\mathcal{W} \in W(A)$ and $a \in A$ we have

$\mathcal{W} \rightarrow (\mathcal{X}_i \rightarrow a) = 1$ for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ iff $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow (\mathcal{Y}_j \rightarrow a) = 1$ for all $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ is an equivalence on $Fin(W(A))$; the ρ_A -class of $\{\mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_m\}$ will be briefly denoted as $\langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_m \rangle$. Further, we equip the quotient set $M_A \stackrel{not}{=} Fin(W(A))/\rho_A$ with two binary operations \sqcap and \star , as follows:

$$\langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_m \rangle \sqcap \langle \mathcal{Y}_1, \dots, \mathcal{Y}_n \rangle = \langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_m, \mathcal{Y}_1, \dots, \mathcal{Y}_n \rangle,$$

$$\langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_m \rangle \star \langle \mathcal{Y}_1, \dots, \mathcal{Y}_n \rangle = \langle \mathcal{X}_i \mathcal{Y}_j : i = 1, 2, \dots, m, j = 1, 2, \dots, n \rangle.$$

Definition 2.2. *By a meet-semilattice-ordered monoid we mean an algebra (M, \wedge, \bullet, e) such that :*

(a₇) (M, \wedge) is a meet-semilattice;

(a₈) (M, \bullet, e) is a monoid;

(a₉) $(x \wedge y) \bullet z = (x \bullet z) \wedge (y \bullet z)$ and $z \bullet (x \wedge y) = (z \bullet x) \wedge (z \bullet y)$ for every $x, y, z \in A$.

If the identity element e is the least element of M (that is, e play the role of 0), then M is called *dually integral*.

In [13] it is proved the following result:

Proposition 2.1. *For every BCK algebra A , the structure $(M_A, \sqcap, \star, \langle 1 \rangle)$ is a dually integral meet-semilattice-ordered monoid.*

Remark 2.3. *In [13], the above result is obtained for the case of a pseudo BCK algebra A ; if A is a BCK algebra, then the operation \star is commutative. Indeed, if $\alpha = \langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_m \rangle, \beta = \langle \mathcal{Y}_1, \dots, \mathcal{Y}_n \rangle \in M_A$, then $\alpha \star \beta = \langle \mathcal{X}_i \mathcal{Y}_j : i = 1, 2, \dots, m, j = 1, 2, \dots, n \rangle$. If $\mathcal{W} \in W(A)$ and $a \in A$, then $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow (\mathcal{X}_i \mathcal{Y}_j \rightarrow a) = 1$ iff $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow (\mathcal{X}_i \rightarrow (\mathcal{Y}_j \rightarrow a)) = 1$ iff $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow (\mathcal{Y}_j \rightarrow (\mathcal{X}_i \rightarrow a)) = 1$ iff $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow (\mathcal{Y}_j \mathcal{X}_i \rightarrow a) = 1$, for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ and $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$, so $\alpha \star \beta = \beta \star \alpha$.*

Lemma 2.1. *Let (M, \wedge, \bullet, e) a dually integral meet-semilattice-ordered (commutative) monoid. Then for every $x, y \in M$:*

(c₁₃): $x \leq x \bullet y, y \leq x \bullet y$;

(c₁₄): $x \leq x \bullet x$.

Proof. (c₁₃). We have $x \bullet (y \wedge e) = (x \bullet y) \wedge (x \bullet e) \Rightarrow x \bullet e = (x \bullet y) \wedge x \Rightarrow x = (x \bullet y) \wedge x \Rightarrow x \leq x \bullet y$.

(c₁₄). Clearly. ■

Remark 2.4. *It is worth noticing that the partial order \sqsubseteq associated with the meet operation \sqcap on M_A we have $\langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_m \rangle \sqsubseteq \langle \mathcal{Y}_1, \dots, \mathcal{Y}_n \rangle$ iff for all $\mathcal{W} \in W(A)$ and $a \in A$, $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow (\mathcal{X}_i \rightarrow a) = 1$ for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$, then $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow (\mathcal{Y}_j \rightarrow a) = 1$ for all $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$.*

Corollary 2.1. *If A is a Hilbert algebra, then $\alpha \star \alpha = \alpha$ for every $\alpha \in M_A$.*

Proof. By (c₁₄) we deduce that $\alpha \sqsubseteq \alpha \star \alpha$. To prove that $\alpha \star \alpha \sqsubseteq \alpha$,

let $\alpha = \langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_m \rangle \in M_A$, $\mathcal{W} \in W(A)$ and $a \in A$ such that $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow (\alpha \star \alpha \rightarrow a) = 1$. Since $\alpha \star \alpha = \langle \mathcal{X}_1 \mathcal{X}_1, \mathcal{X}_1 \mathcal{X}_2, \dots, \mathcal{X}_2 \mathcal{X}_2, \dots, \mathcal{X}_{n-1} \mathcal{X}_n, \mathcal{X}_n \mathcal{X}_n \rangle$, then in particular we have $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow (\mathcal{X}_i \mathcal{X}_i \rightarrow a) = 1$ for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$.

Since A is a Hilbert algebra, then for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ we have $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow (\mathcal{X}_i \rightarrow (\mathcal{X}_i \rightarrow a)) = 1 \Rightarrow \mathcal{W} \rightarrow (\mathcal{X}_i \rightarrow a) = 1$, hence $\alpha \star \alpha \sqsubseteq \alpha$, so $\alpha \star \alpha = \alpha$. ■

We recall that if (M, \wedge) is a meet-semilattice, then $F \subseteq M$ is a *filter* ([1]) if $x, y \in F \Rightarrow x \wedge y \in F$ and if $x \leq y$ and $x \in F \Rightarrow y \in F$.

For (M, \wedge, \bullet, e) a dually integral meet-semilattice-ordered monoid, let $\mathcal{F}(M)$ the set of all filters of (M, \wedge) augmented by \emptyset .

Let us introduce the following notation for $F, G \in \mathcal{F}(M)$:

$F \vee G$ = the filter generated by $F \cup G = \{a \in M : x \wedge y \leq a \text{ for some } x, y \in F \cup G\}$,

$$F \odot G = \{a \in M : x \bullet y \leq a \text{ for some } x \in F \text{ and } y \in G\},$$

$$F \rightarrow G = \{a \in M : \{a\} \bullet F \subseteq G\} =$$

$$= \{a \in M : \text{if } x \in M \text{ and } x \geq a \bullet f \text{ with } f \in F, \text{ then } x \in G\}.$$

We recall ([6], [14]) that an *integral residuated lattice* is an algebra $(L, \vee, \wedge, \odot, \rightarrow, 0, 1)$ such that $(L, \vee, \wedge, 0, 1)$ is a bounded lattice, $(L, \odot, 1)$ is a (commutative) monoid whose identity 1 is the greatest element of the lattice and $x \odot a \leq y$ iff $a \leq x \rightarrow y$ for all $a, x, y \in L$.

Remark 2.5. ([6], [14]) *If $(L, \vee, \wedge, \odot, \rightarrow, 0, 1)$ is an integral residuated lattice then $(L, \rightarrow, 1)$ is a BCK algebra.*

In [13] it is proved the following result:

Lemma 2.2. *If A is a BCK algebra, then $(\mathcal{F}(M_A), \vee, \cap, \odot, \rightarrow, O, M_A)$ is a complete integral residuated lattice.*

For $a \in A$, we put $i_A(a) = \{\langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_m \rangle \in M_A : \mathcal{X}_i \rightarrow a = 1, \text{ for all } i = 1, 2, \dots, m\}$.

In [13] it is proved the following result:

Theorem 2.1. *If A is a BCK algebra, then the map $i_A : A \rightarrow L_r(A) = \mathcal{F}(M_A)$ is an injective morphism of BCK algebras. Moreover, if for $a, b \in A$ there exists $a \vee b$ in A , then $i_A(a \vee b) = i_A(a) \vee i_A(b)$.*

Taking as guide-line the case of *BL* algebras (see [8], Definition 4.2.12), an integral residuated lattice L is a *G-algebra* if $x \odot x = x$, for every $x \in L$.

We have the following results:

Proposition 2.2. ([14]) *Let $(L, \vee, \wedge, \odot, \rightarrow, 0, 1)$ is an integral residuated lattice. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (i): L is a *G-algebra*;
- (ii): $x \odot y = x \wedge y$, for every $x, y \in L$;
- (iii): $x \odot (x \rightarrow y) = x \wedge y$, for every $x, y \in L$.

Proposition 2.3. ([14]) *For an integral residuated lattice $(L, \vee, \wedge, \odot, \rightarrow, 0, 1)$ the following are equivalent:*

- (i): $(L, \rightarrow, 1)$ is a Hilbert algebra;
- (ii): $(L, \vee, \wedge, \odot, \rightarrow, 0, 1)$ is a G -algebra.

Lemma 2.3. *If A is a Hilbert algebra, then the integral residuated lattice $L_r(A)$ is a G -algebra.*

Proof. We must prove that for $F \in L_r(A)$, $F \odot F = F$. Since $L_r(A)$ is an integral residuated lattice, then $F \odot F \subseteq F$ ([6], [14]). If $\alpha \in F$, by Corollary 2.1, $\alpha = \alpha \star \alpha$, hence $\alpha \in F \odot F \Rightarrow F \subseteq F \odot F$, so $F = F \odot F$. ■

From Lemma 2.3 and Theorem 2.1 we obtain the following theorem of representation for Hilbert algebras:

Theorem 2.2. *If A is a Hilbert algebra, then there exist a complete integral residuated lattice $L_r(A)$ which is a G -algebra and an injective morphism of Hilbert algebras $i_A : A \rightarrow L_r(A)$. Moreover, if for $a, b \in A$ there exists $a \vee b$ in A , then $i_A(a \vee b) = i_A(a) \vee i_A(b)$.*

Remark 2.6. *For others theorems of representation for Hilbert algebras, see [3], [5].*

3. A characterization of the elements of $L_r(A)$

If (S, \wedge) is a meet-semilattice, for a nonempty subset $M \subseteq S$, by $[M]$ we denote the filter of S generated by M .

We have ([1]): $[M] = \{x \in S : x_1 \wedge \dots \wedge x_n \leq x \text{ for some } x_1, \dots, x_n \in M\}$. In particular, if $M = \{a\}$, $[\{a\}] \stackrel{\text{not}}{=} [a] = \{x \in S : a \leq x\}$.

Remark 3.1. *We recall ([1]) that if (S, \wedge) is a meet-semilattice then:*

- (i): *If $a, b \in S$ and $a \leq b \Rightarrow [b] \subseteq [a]$;*
- (ii): *If $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in S$ then $[a_1 \wedge a_2 \wedge \dots \wedge a_n] = [a_1] \vee [a_2] \vee \dots \vee [a_n]$.*

Lemma 3.1. *If A is a BCK algebra, then for every $a \in A$, $i_A(a) = [\langle a \rangle]$.*

Proof. If $\langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n \rangle \in [\langle a \rangle] \Rightarrow \langle a \rangle \sqsubseteq \langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n \rangle$. Since $1 \rightarrow (a \rightarrow a) = 1 \Rightarrow 1 \rightarrow (\mathcal{X}_i \rightarrow a) = 1$, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n \Rightarrow \langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n \rangle \in i_A(a) \Rightarrow [\langle a \rangle] \subseteq i_A(a)$.

Conversely, let $\langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n \rangle \in i_A(a)$, that is, $\mathcal{X}_i \rightarrow a = 1$, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. To prove $\langle a \rangle \sqsubseteq \langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n \rangle$, let $\mathcal{W} = a_1 a_2 \dots a_m \in W(A)$ and $x \in A$ such that $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow (a \rightarrow x) = 1$.

For $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ consider $\mathcal{X}_i = x_1 \dots x_t \in W(A)$. From $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow (a \rightarrow x) = 1 \Rightarrow a \rightarrow (\mathcal{W} \rightarrow x) = 1 \Rightarrow a \leq (a_1, \dots, a_m; x) \stackrel{(c_3)}{\Rightarrow} (x_1, \dots, x_t; a) \leq (x_1, \dots, x_t, a_1, \dots, a_m; x) \Rightarrow (x_1, \dots, x_t, a_1, \dots, a_m; x) = 1 \Rightarrow \mathcal{X}_i \rightarrow (\mathcal{W} \rightarrow a) = 1 \stackrel{(C)}{\Rightarrow} \mathcal{W} \rightarrow (\mathcal{X}_i \rightarrow a) = 1$, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n \Rightarrow \langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n \rangle \in [\langle a \rangle] \Rightarrow i_A(a) = [\langle a \rangle]$. ■

Lemma 3.2. *Let A be a BCK algebra and $\langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n \rangle \in M_A$. Then*

$$[\langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n \rangle] = [\langle \mathcal{X}_1 \rangle] \vee \dots \vee [\langle \mathcal{X}_n \rangle].$$

Proof. We have $[\langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n \rangle] = [\langle \mathcal{X}_1 \rangle \sqcap \dots \sqcap \langle \mathcal{X}_n \rangle] \stackrel{\text{Remark 3.1, (ii)}}{=} [\langle \mathcal{X}_1 \rangle] \vee \dots \vee [\langle \mathcal{X}_n \rangle]$. ■

Lemma 3.3. *If A is a Hilbert algebra and $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in A$, then $[\langle a_1 a_2 \dots a_n \rangle] = [\langle a_1 \rangle] \cap \dots \cap [\langle a_n \rangle]$.*

Proof. It is suffice to prove that for two elements $a, b \in A$, we have the equality $[\langle ab \rangle] = [\langle a \rangle] \cap [\langle b \rangle]$.

Indeed, $\langle a \rangle \star \langle b \rangle = \langle ab \rangle$ and since $\langle a \rangle, \langle b \rangle \sqsubseteq \langle a \rangle \star \langle b \rangle = \langle ab \rangle$ we deduce that $[\langle ab \rangle] \subseteq [\langle a \rangle], [\langle b \rangle] \Rightarrow [\langle ab \rangle] \subseteq [\langle a \rangle] \cap [\langle b \rangle]$.

To prove the converse inclusion, let $\langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n \rangle \in [\langle a \rangle] \cap [\langle b \rangle]$. Then $\langle a \rangle, \langle b \rangle \sqsubseteq \langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n \rangle$.

Consider $\mathcal{W} \in W(A)$ and $a \in A$ such that $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow (ab \rightarrow x) = 1$. Then $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow (a \rightarrow (b \rightarrow x)) = 1$. Since $\langle a \rangle \sqsubseteq \langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n \rangle$, then $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow (\mathcal{X}_i \rightarrow (b \rightarrow x)) = 1$, for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, n \Rightarrow \mathcal{W} \rightarrow (b \rightarrow (\mathcal{X}_i \rightarrow x)) = 1$, for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, n \Rightarrow$

$\mathcal{W} \rightarrow (\mathcal{X}_i \rightarrow (\mathcal{X}_i \rightarrow x)) = 1$, for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, n \Rightarrow \mathcal{W} \rightarrow (\mathcal{X}_i \rightarrow x) = 1$, for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, n \Rightarrow \langle ab \rangle \sqsubseteq \langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n \rangle \in [\langle ab \rangle] \Rightarrow [\langle a \rangle] \cap [\langle b \rangle] \subseteq [\langle ab \rangle] \Rightarrow [\langle a \rangle] \cap [\langle b \rangle] = [\langle ab \rangle]$. ■

Corollary 3.1. *If A is a Hilbert algebra and $\mathcal{W} = a_1 a_2 \dots a_n \in W(A)$, then*

$$[\langle \mathcal{W} \rangle] = i_A(a_1) \cap \dots \cap i_A(a_n).$$

Proof. By Lemma 3.3 we deduce that $[\langle \mathcal{W} \rangle] = [\langle a_1 a_2 \dots a_n \rangle] = [\langle a_1 \rangle] \cap \dots \cap [\langle a_n \rangle] = i_A(a_1) \cap \dots \cap i_A(a_n)$. ■

From the above results we obtain the following theorem of characterization for the elements of $L_r(A)$ when A is a Hilbert algebra:

Theorem 3.1. *Let A be a Hilbert algebra. Then for $F \in L_r(A) = \mathcal{F}(M_A)$ we have $F = \bigvee_{\langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n \rangle \in F} [(\bigcap_{x \in \mathcal{X}_1} i_A(x)) \vee \dots \vee (\bigcap_{x \in \mathcal{X}_n} i_A(x))]$.*

Proof. For $F \in L_r(A) = \mathcal{F}(M_A)$ we have $F = \bigvee_{\langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n \rangle \in F} [\langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n \rangle] \stackrel{\text{Lemma 3.2}}{=} = \bigvee_{\langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n \rangle \in F} [[\langle \mathcal{X}_1 \rangle] \vee \dots \vee [\langle \mathcal{X}_n \rangle]] \stackrel{\text{Lemma 3.3}}{=} = \bigvee_{\langle \mathcal{X}_1, \dots, \mathcal{X}_n \rangle \in F} [(\bigcap_{x \in \mathcal{X}_1} i_A(x)) \vee \dots \vee (\bigcap_{x \in \mathcal{X}_n} i_A(x))]$. ■

Definition 3.1. *A Hertz algebra is a Hilbert algebra A with the property that for every $x, y \in A$, the infimum $x \wedge y$ (relative to the natural ordering) exists in A (that is, A is meet-semilattice relative to the natural order) and for every $x, y \in A$ we have the relation:*

$$(P): x \rightarrow (y \rightarrow (x \wedge y)) = 1.$$

In [15] it is proved the equivalence of above definition with:

Definition 3.2. *A Hertz algebra is an algebra (A, \rightarrow, \wedge) of type $(2, 2)$ satisfying the following axioms:*

- (a₁₀): $x \rightarrow x = y \rightarrow y$;
- (a₁₁): $(x \rightarrow y) \wedge y = y$;
- (a₁₂): $x \wedge (x \rightarrow y) = x \wedge y$;
- (a₁₃): $x \rightarrow (y \wedge z) = (x \rightarrow y) \wedge (x \rightarrow z)$.

Definition 3.3. *If A is a Hilbert algebra, a Hertz algebra H_A (together with an injective morphism of Hilbert algebras $\varphi_A : A \rightarrow H_A$) is said to be free over A if:*

- (a₁₄): H_A is generated (as a Hertz algebra) by $\varphi_A(A)$;
- (a₁₅): For every Hertz algebra H and every morphism of Hilbert algebras $f : A \rightarrow H$, there exists a unique morphism of Hertz algebras $f' : H_A \rightarrow H$ such that $f' \circ \varphi_A = f$.

Theorem 3.2. ([15]) *For every Hilbert algebra A , there exists the free Hertz algebra H_A over A , unique up to an isomorphism of Hertz algebras.*

In what follow we only recall the construction of the Hertz algebra H_A (using the model and notations from [15]).

Let $\mathcal{F}(A)$ the set of all finite and nonempty subsets of A and $I = \{1\}$.

For $\mathcal{X} = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m\}$ and $\mathcal{Y} = \{y_1, \dots, y_n\} \in \mathcal{F}(A)$ we define

$$\mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y} = \bigcup_{1 \leq j \leq n} \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m; y_j)\} \text{ and } \mathcal{X} \wedge \mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{X} \cup \mathcal{Y}.$$

Consider the relation θ_A on $\mathcal{F}(A)$ defined for $\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \in \mathcal{F}(A)$ by

$$\mathcal{X} \theta_A \mathcal{Y} \text{ iff } \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \mathcal{X} = I.$$

Then θ_A is an equivalence relation on $\mathcal{F}(A)$ compatible with the operations \rightarrow and \wedge .

For $\mathcal{X} \in \mathcal{F}(A)$ we denote by $[\mathcal{X}]_{\theta_A}$ the equivalence class of \mathcal{X} modulo θ_A and by $H_A = \mathcal{F}(A)/\theta_A$.

For $a \in A$ we define $\varphi_A : A \rightarrow H_A, \varphi_A(a) = [\{a\}]_{\theta_A}$. Then $(H_A, \rightarrow, \mathbf{1})$ is the free Hertz algebra over A (where for $\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \in \mathcal{F}(A), [\mathcal{X}]_{\theta_A} \rightarrow [\mathcal{Y}]_{\theta_A} = [\mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}]_{\theta_A}, [\mathcal{X}]_{\theta_A} \wedge [\mathcal{Y}]_{\theta_A} = [\mathcal{X} \wedge \mathcal{Y}]_{\theta_A}$ and $\mathbf{1} = [\{1\}]_{\theta_A}$).

If H is a Hertz algebra and $f : A \rightarrow H$ is a morphism of Hilbert algebras, then $f' : H_A \rightarrow H, f'([\mathcal{X}]_{\theta_A}) = \bigwedge_{i=1}^m f(x_i)$ ($\mathcal{X} = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m\}$) is the unique morphism of Hertz algebras such that $f' \circ \varphi_A = f$.

For a Hilbert algebra A I want to re-write the relation θ_A using the notation from Section 2.

So, we can consider an element $\mathcal{X} = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m\} \in \mathcal{F}(A)$ as the word $\mathcal{X} = x_1 x_2 \dots x_n \in W(A)$ and for $a \in A, \mathcal{X} \rightarrow a = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n; a) \in A$.

Lemma 3.4. *If A is a Hilbert algebra, then $\rho_A = \theta_A$.*

Proof. Clearly, for $\mathcal{X} = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m\}, \mathcal{Y} = \{y_1, \dots, y_n\} \in \mathcal{F}(A), \mathcal{X} \theta_A \mathcal{Y}$ iff $\mathcal{X} \rightarrow y_j = \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow x_i = 1$ for every $i = 1, 2, \dots, m, j = 1, 2, \dots, n \Leftrightarrow x_i \in [\mathcal{Y}]$ and $y_j \in [\mathcal{X}]$ for every $i = 1, 2, \dots, m, j = 1, 2, \dots, n \Leftrightarrow [\mathcal{Y}] = [\mathcal{X}]$.

Suppose $\mathcal{X} \rho_A \mathcal{Y}$ (that is, if $\mathcal{W} \in W(A), a \in A$, then $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow (\mathcal{X} \rightarrow a) = 1$ iff $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow (\mathcal{Y} \rightarrow a) = 1$). Since $1 \rightarrow (\mathcal{X} \rightarrow x_i) = 1$ for every $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$, then $1 \rightarrow (\mathcal{Y} \rightarrow x_i) = 1$ for every $i = 1, 2, \dots, m \Rightarrow [\mathcal{X}] \subseteq [\mathcal{Y}]$. Analogously we deduce $[\mathcal{Y}] \subseteq [\mathcal{X}]$, so $[\mathcal{X}] = [\mathcal{Y}]$, hence $\mathcal{X} \theta_A \mathcal{Y}$.

Suppose that $\mathcal{X} \theta_A \mathcal{Y}$ (hence $[\mathcal{X}] = [\mathcal{Y}]$) and consider $\mathcal{W} \in W(A)$ and $a \in A$ such that $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow (\mathcal{X} \rightarrow a) = 1$. Then $a \in [\mathcal{W} \cup \mathcal{X}] = [\mathcal{X}](\mathcal{W})$. Since $[\mathcal{X}] = [\mathcal{Y}] \Rightarrow a \in [\mathcal{Y}](\mathcal{W}) \Rightarrow a \in [\mathcal{Y} \cup \mathcal{W}] \Rightarrow \mathcal{W} \rightarrow (\mathcal{Y} \rightarrow a) = 1 \Rightarrow \mathcal{X} \rho_A \mathcal{Y}$. ■

Corollary 3.2. *If A is a Hilbert algebra, then $H_A = \mathcal{F}(A)/\theta_A = W(A)/\rho_A$.*

Theorem 3.3. *If A is a Hilbert algebra, then there exist an injective morphism of Hertz algebras $\Psi_A : H_A \rightarrow L_r(A)$ such that $\Psi_A \circ \varphi_A = i_A$.*

Proof. The existence of $\Psi_A : H_A \rightarrow L_r(A)$ is assured by Theorem 3.2 and for $\mathcal{X} = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m\} \in \mathcal{F}(A), \Psi_A([\mathcal{X}]_{\theta_A}) = \bigwedge_{i=1}^m i_A(x_i)$.

To prove the injectivity of Ψ_A , consider $\mathcal{Y} = \{y_1, \dots, y_n\} \in \mathcal{F}(A)$ such that $\Psi_A([\mathcal{X}]_{\theta_A}) = \Psi_A([\mathcal{Y}]_{\theta_A}) \Leftrightarrow \bigwedge_{i=1}^m i_A(x_i) = \bigwedge_{j=1}^n i_A(y_j)$. Then for every $j = 1, 2, \dots, n :$

$\bigwedge_{i=1}^m i_A(x_i) \leq i_A(y_j) \Rightarrow (\bigwedge_{i=1}^m i_A(x_i)) \rightarrow i_A(y_j) = 1 \Rightarrow (i_A(x_1), \dots, i_A(x_m); i_A(y_j)) = 1 \Rightarrow i_A((x_1, \dots, x_m; y_j)) = 1 \Rightarrow (x_1, \dots, x_m; y_j) = 1 \Rightarrow [\mathcal{Y}] \subseteq [\mathcal{X}]$ and analogously $[\mathcal{X}] \subseteq [\mathcal{Y}]$, hence $[\mathcal{X}] = [\mathcal{Y}]$, that is, Ψ_A is injective. ■

Corollary 3.3. *If A is a Hilbert algebra, then the free Hertz algebra H_A over A is isomorphic with a Hertz subalgebra of $L_r(A)$.*

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