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# **PSEUDO-BCK ALGEBRAS DERIVED FROM DIRECTOIDS**

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Abstract. The aim of this paper is to derive pseudo-BCK algebras from directoids and vice versa. We generalize some results proved by Ivan Chajda et al. in the case of BCK-algebras. We assign to an arbitrary pseudo-BCK algebra a semilattice-like structure and observe that this is the point where directoids are different from the semilattice-like structures. Finally, the relation between commutative deductive systems and derive directoids from a bounded pseudo-BCK(pDN) algebras and a characterization of commutative deductive systems of a bounded pseudo-BCK(pDN) algebra in terms of directoids is discussed.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

BCK-algebras were introduced by Y. Imai and K. Iséki in  $1966$  ([\[15,](#page-12-0) [19\]](#page-12-1)) as algebras with a binary operation ∗ modeling the set-theoretical difference and with a constant element 0 that is a least element. S. Tanaka defined a special class of BCK-algebras called commutative BCK-algebras in 1975 (see [\[31\]](#page-12-2)). In BCK-algebras, some lattices, as bounded commutative BCK-algebras, involutive BCK-lattices and bounded implicative BCK-algebras were defined and among the relationship between them were discussed [\[23\]](#page-12-3). Some recent researchers led to generalizations of the notion of pseudo structure on some types of algebras. G. Georgescu et al. [\[10\]](#page-11-0) and independently J. Rachůnek [\[24\]](#page-12-4), introduced pseudo-MV algebra which is a non-commutative generalization of MV-algebra. After a pseudo-MV algebra, the pseudo-BL algebra [\[11\]](#page-12-5), the pseudo-BCK algebra [\[12\]](#page-12-6) and as a generalization of BCI-algebra, the notion of pseudo-BCI algebra is introduced by W. A. Dudek et al. in [\[9\]](#page-11-1). A. Walendziak [\[32\]](#page-12-7) introduced pseudo-BCH algebras as an extension of BCH-algebras. Further, he

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proved that every branchwise commutative pseudo-BCH algebra is a pseudo-BCI algebra [\[33\]](#page-12-8). Commutative pseudo-BCK algebras were originally defined by G. Georgescu et al. in [\[12\]](#page-12-6) under the name of *semilattice-ordered pseudo-BCK algebras* and some properties of these structures were investigated by J. Kühr in [\[21,](#page-12-9)[22\]](#page-12-10). R. A. Borzooei et al. introduced in [\[1\]](#page-11-2) (see also [\[2,](#page-11-3) [26,](#page-12-11) [27\]](#page-12-12)) a pseudo-BE algebra as generalization of BE-algebra, and the commutative pseudo-BE algebra have recently been investigated by L. C. Ciungu. It was proved that the class of commutative pseudo-BE algebras is equivalent to the class of commutative pseudo-BCK algebras. Based on this result, all results holding for commutative pseudo-BCK algebras also hold for commutative pseudo-BE algebras [\[5\]](#page-11-4). Then she gave a characterization of commutative pseudo-BCK algebras and defined the commutative deductive systems of pseudo-BCK algebras and proved that a pseudo-BCK algebra  $\mathfrak X$  is commutative if and only if all the deductive systems of  $\mathfrak X$  are commutative. Also, she showed that the class of commutative pseudo-BCK algebras is a variety [\[6\]](#page-11-5) (see also, [\[14\]](#page-12-13)). A. Rezaei et al. introduced the notion of pseudo-CI algebras as an extension of pseudo-BE algebras and proved that the class of commutative pseudo-CI algebras coincide with the class of commutative pseudo-BCK algebras [\[28\]](#page-12-14). G. Georgescu et al. proved that every Wajsberg pseudo-hoop is a basic pseudo-hoop and every simple basic pseudo-hoop is a linearly ordered Wajsberg pseudo-hoop [\[13\]](#page-12-15). L. C. Ciungu in [\[7\]](#page-11-6) showed that every pseudo-hoop is a pseudo-BCK-meet semilattice. The relation between FL*w*-algebras, bounded pseudo-BCK(pP) algebras, pseudo-MTL algebras, pseudo-BL algebras and pseudo-MV algebras proved in [\[16\]](#page-12-16). Also, in [\[29,](#page-12-17) [30\]](#page-12-18), the interrelationships between dual pseudo-Q/QC algebras and other pseudo algebras are visualized with a diagram and then they introduced the concepts of branchwise commutative pseudo-CI algebras and pointed pseudo-CI algebras and investigated some of properties. A. Iorgulescu for the first time introduced the notation of quasi-pseudo-M algebras as generalizations of pseudo-M algebras and (involutive) quasi-implicative-groups and the (strong involutive) (super) quasi-implicative-hoops, as generalizations of implicative-groups and implicative-hoops, respectively in [\[18\]](#page-12-19). I. Chajda et al. showed that one can be assign to an arbitrary BCK-algebra a semilattice-like structure every section of which possesses a certain antitone mappings [\[3\]](#page-11-7), it arises a natural question of generalization of these concepts also for pseudo-BCK algebras. Since lattice theory has many applications in computer science and has an important and vital role in investigating the structure of a logical system, this motivated our investigations on directoids and pseudo-BCK-algebras to characterized several of its important properties. The main result of this paper establishes a bijective correspondence between pseudo-BCK algebras and some algebraic structures defined by two directoids. A characterization of commutative deductive systems of a bounded pseudo- $BCK(pDN)$  algebra in terms of directoids is discussed and various results obtained mentioned in this paper can be transferred to the pseudo-BCK algebras. The core of the paper is based on by presenting a survey of some results of logic in the non-commutative case (see [\[3\]](#page-11-7) for the commutative case) and extension of [\[25\]](#page-12-20) (see also [\[4\]](#page-11-8)).

### 2. Preliminaries

In this section we recall some basic notions and results regarding (commutative) pseudo-BCK algebras.

**Definition 2.1** ([\[9,](#page-11-1)17]). An algebra  $\mathfrak{X} = (X; \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$  of type (2,2,0) is called a *pseudo-BCI algebra if it satisfies the following axioms for all*  $x, y, z \in X$ :

 $(\text{psBCI}_1)(x \to y) \rightsquigarrow ((y \to z) \rightsquigarrow (x \to z)) = 1$  and  $(x \rightsquigarrow y) \rightarrow ((y \rightsquigarrow z) \rightarrow (x \rightsquigarrow z)) = 1;$  $(psBCI_2)$   $x \to ((x \to y) \leadsto y) = 1$  and  $x \leadsto ((x \leadsto y) \to y) = 1$ ;  $(psBCI_3)$   $x \to x = x \rightsquigarrow x = 1;$  $(psBCI<sub>4</sub>)$   $x \rightarrow y = y \rightsquigarrow x = 1 \Rightarrow x = y;$ (psBCI<sub>5</sub>)  $x \leq y$  if and only if  $x \to y = 1$  if and only if  $x \leadsto y = 1$ .

A *pseudo-BCK algebra* [\[20\]](#page-12-22) is a pseudo-BCI algebra  $\mathfrak{X} = (X; \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$  satisfying the condition (psBCK), for all  $x \in X$ :

 $(psBCK)$   $x \rightarrow 1 = 1$ .

I. Chajda et al. proved that for every pseudo-BCI algebra  $x \to y = 1$  if and only if  $x \rightsquigarrow y = 1$  (see [\[4,](#page-11-8) Lemma 2.1]).

*Remark* 2.1. If  $\mathfrak{X} = (X; \rightarrow, \rightarrow, 1)$  is a pseudo-BCI algebra satisfying  $x \rightarrow y = x \rightarrow y$ , for all  $x, y \in X$ , then  $\mathfrak{X} = (X; \to, 1)$  is a BCI-algebra. Hence, every BCI-algebra is a pseudo-BCI algebra in a natural way.

*Remark* 2.2. By definition ( $psBCI<sub>1</sub>$ )-( $psBCI<sub>5</sub>$ ),  $pseudo-BCK$  algebras are contained in the class of pseudo-BCI algebras. A pseudo-BCI algebra which is not a pseudo-BCK algebra will be called *proper*.

From now on,  $\mathfrak X$  is a pseudo-BCK algebra, unless it is stated.

<span id="page-2-0"></span>**Proposition 2.1** ([\[12,](#page-12-6) [17\]](#page-12-21))**.** *In any pseudo-BCK algebra* X *the following conditions hold for all*  $x, y, z \in X$ *:* 

(1)  $x \preceq y$  implies  $z \to x \preceq z \to y$  and  $z \rightsquigarrow x \preceq z \rightsquigarrow y$ ; (2)  $x \preceq y$  implies  $y \to z \preceq x \to z$  and  $y \leadsto z \preceq x \leadsto z$ ; (3)  $x \to y \leq (z \to x) \rightsquigarrow (z \to y) \text{ and } x \rightsquigarrow y \leq (z \rightsquigarrow x) \to (z \rightsquigarrow y);$ (4)  $x \rightarrow (y \rightsquigarrow z) = y \rightsquigarrow (x \rightarrow z) \text{ and } x \rightsquigarrow (y \rightarrow z) = y \rightarrow (x \rightsquigarrow z);$ (5)  $x \prec y \rightarrow x$  and  $x \prec y \rightsquigarrow x$ ; (6)  $((x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y) \rightarrow y = x \rightarrow y$  and  $((x \rightsquigarrow y) \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y = x \rightsquigarrow y$ .

**Theorem 2.1** ([\[6\]](#page-11-5))**.** *Let* X *be a pseudo-BCK algebra. The following statements are equivalent for all*  $x, y \in X$ *:* 

- (1) X *is commutative;*
- (2)  $x \to y = ((y \to x) \leadsto x) \to y$  and  $x \leadsto y = ((y \leadsto x) \to x) \leadsto y$ ;

$$
(3) (x \to y) \rightsquigarrow y = (((x \to y) \rightsquigarrow y) \to x) \rightsquigarrow x \text{ and}
$$

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

(4)  $x \prec y$  *implies*  $y = (y \rightarrow x) \rightsquigarrow x = (y \rightsquigarrow x) \rightarrow x$ .

**Definition 2.2** ([\[16\]](#page-12-16)). If there is an element 0 of a pseudo-BCK algebra  $\mathfrak{X}$ , such that  $0 \leq x$  (i.e.,  $0 \to x = 0 \leadsto x = 1$ ), for all  $x \in X$ , then 0 is called the *zero* of X*.* A pseudo-BCK algebra with zero is called *bounded pseudo-BCK algebra* and it is denoted by  $\mathfrak{X} = (X; \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 0, 1)$ .

**Definition 2.3** ([\[16\]](#page-12-16)). A *pseudo-BCK*( $pP$ ) *algebra* is a pseudo-BCK algebra  $\mathfrak{X}$  satisfying (pP) condition:

(pP) There exists  $x \odot y = \min\{z : x \preceq y \rightarrow z\} = \min\{z : y \preceq x \rightsquigarrow z\}$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .

# **Definition 2.4** ([\[16,](#page-12-16) [20\]](#page-12-22))**.**

(1) A *pseudo-BCK lattice* is a pseudo-BCK algebra  $\mathfrak X$  such that  $(X; \preceq)$  is a lattice. (2) A *pseudo-BCK join-semilattice* is a pseudo-BCK algebra  $\mathfrak X$  such that  $(X; \vee)$  is a *join-semilattice*, and  $x \to y = 1$  if and only if  $x \lor y = y$ .

(3) A *pseudo-BCK meet-semilattice* is a pseudo-BCK algebra  $\mathfrak X$  such that  $(X; \wedge)$  is a meet-semilattice, and  $x \to y = 1$  if and only if  $x \wedge y = x$ .

**Definition 2.5** ([\[16\]](#page-12-16))**.** A *pseudo-BCK algebra*(*pDN*) is a bounded pseudo-BCK algebra  $\mathfrak{X} = (X; \prec, \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 0, 1)$  satisfying the condition:

 $(pDN)(x^{\rightharpoonup})^{\rightharpoonup} = (x^{\rightharpoonup})^{\rightharpoonup} = x$ , where  $x^{\rightharpoonup} = x \to 0$  and  $x^{\rightharpoonup} = x \rightsquigarrow 0$  for all  $x \in X$ .

**Definition 2.6** ([\[12\]](#page-12-6)). A pseudo-BCK algebra  $\mathfrak{X}$  is called *commutative* if for all  $x, y, z \in X$ , it satisfies the following identities:

 $(C_1)$   $(x \to y) \rightsquigarrow y = (y \to x) \rightsquigarrow x;$  $(C_2)$   $(x \rightsquigarrow y) \rightarrow y = (y \rightsquigarrow x) \rightarrow x.$ 

<span id="page-3-0"></span>**Proposition 2.2** ([\[6\]](#page-11-5))**.** *Any commutative pseudo-BCK algebra is a join-semilattice with respect to*  $\preceq$ .

<span id="page-3-1"></span>**Theorem 2.2** ([\[8\]](#page-11-9))**.** *Let* X *be a pseudo-BCK*(*pDN*) *algebra. The following statements are equivalent:*

(1)  $(X; \prec)$  *is a meet-semilattice*;

(2)  $(X; \prec)$  *is a join-semilattice*;

(3)  $(X; \preceq)$  *is a lattice.* 

**Definition 2.7** ([\[6\]](#page-11-5)). A subset *D* of a pseudo-BCK algebra  $\mathfrak{X}$  is called a *deductive system* of  $\mathfrak X$  if it satisfies the following conditions:

 $(DS_1) 1 \in D$ ;

 $(DS_2)$   $x \in D$  and  $x \to y \in D$  imply  $y \in D$ .

A subset *D* of  $\mathfrak X$  is a deductive system if and only if it satisfies  $(DS_1)$  and the condition:

 $(DS_3)$   $x \in D$  and  $x \rightsquigarrow y \in D$  imply  $y \in D$ .

We will denote by  $\mathfrak{D}S(X)$  the set of all deductive systems of  $\mathfrak{X}$ .

**Definition 2.8** ([\[6\]](#page-11-5)). A deductive system *D* of a pseudo-BCK algebra  $\mathfrak{X}$  is called *commutative* if it satisfies the following conditions for all  $x, y \in X$ :

- $(CDS_1)$   $y \to x \in D$  implies  $((x \to y) \leadsto y) \to x \in D$ ;
- $(CDS_2)$   $y \rightsquigarrow x \in D$  implies  $((x \rightsquigarrow y) \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow x \in D$ .

We will denote by  $\mathfrak{D}S_c(X)$  the set of all commutative deductive systems of a pseudo-BCK algebra X*.*

**Definition 2.9** ([\[3\]](#page-11-7)). A *directoid* is a groupoid  $\mathfrak{G} = (G; \vee)$  satisfying the following identities for all  $x, y, z \in G$ :

 $(D_1)$   $x \vee x = x;$  $(D_2)$   $(x \vee y) \vee x = x \vee y$ ;  $(D_3)$   $y \vee (x \vee y) = x \vee y$ ;  $(D_4)$   $x \vee ((x \vee y) \vee z) = (x \vee y) \vee z.$ 

The relation  $\leq$  given by  $x \leq y$  if and only if  $x \vee y = y$  is a partial order. The binary operation  $\vee$  assigns to a pair  $\{x, y\}$  is a common upper bound of them.

## 3. Pseudo-BCK Algebras Derived from Directoids

Following the idea used by I. Chajda and J. Kühr [\[3\]](#page-11-7) for BCK-algebras in what follows we give a generalization of this results for pseudo-BCK algebras. In this section, we assign a semilattice-like structure the sections of which have certain antitone mappings, and also conversely. We have the following results.

Let  $\mathfrak X$  be a pseudo-BCK algebra. Define binary operations  $\vee_1$  and  $\vee_2$  by:

(A)  $x \vee_1 y := (x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y$  and  $x \vee_2 y := (x \rightsquigarrow y) \rightarrow y$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .

The following examples shows that these operations  $\vee_1$  and  $\vee_2$  need not coincide in general.

<span id="page-4-1"></span>*Example* 3.1 ([\[8\]](#page-11-9)). Consider the set  $X = \{0, a, b, c, 1\}$ , where  $0 < a, b < c < 1$ , a, b inomparable and the operations  $\rightarrow$  and  $\rightsquigarrow$  given by the following tables:



Then  $\mathfrak{X} = (X; \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 0, 1)$  is a bounded pseudo-BCK algebra, but  $a \vee_1 0 = (a \to 0) \leadsto 0 = 0 \leadsto 0 = 1 \neq a \vee_2 0 = (a \leadsto 0) \to 0 = b \to 0 = a.$ 

<span id="page-4-0"></span>**Theorem 3.1.** *Let*  $\mathfrak X$  *be a pseudo-BCK algebra. For every*  $a \in X$ *, define unary operations*  $\rightarrow$ <sup>*a*</sup> *and*  $\rightarrow$ <sup>*a*</sup> *by*  $x \rightarrow$ <sup>*a*</sup> = *x*  $\rightarrow$  *a and*  $x \rightarrow$ <sup>*a*</sup> = *x*  $\rightarrow$  *a*. *Then the algebraic structure*  $\mathfrak{S}(\mathfrak{X}) = (X; \vee_1, \vee_2, (\neg^a)_{a \in X}, (\neg^a)_{a \in X}, 1)$  satisfies the following quasi-identities:

- (1)  $x \vee_1 1 = 1$  *and*  $x \vee_2 1 = 1$ ;
- $(2)$   $x^{-x} = 1$  *and*  $x^{-x} = 1$ ;
- $(3)$   $1^{-x} = x$  *and*  $1^{-x} = x$ ;
- (4)  $x \vee_1 x = x$  and  $x \vee_2 x = x$ ;

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(5)  $(x \vee_1 y)^{\rightarrow y} = x \rightarrow y \text{ and } (x \vee_2 y)^{\rightarrow y} = x \rightarrow y$ ; (6)  $x \preceq y$  *if and only if*  $x \vee_1 y = y$  *and*  $x \vee_2 y = y$ ; (7)  $x \vee_1 y = y$  and  $y \vee_1 x = x$  *imply*  $x = y$  and  $x \vee_2 y = y$  and  $y \vee_2 x = x$  *imply*  $x = y$ ; (8)  $x \vee_1 y = (x \vee_1 y) \vee_1 y = x \vee_1 (x \vee_1 y) = y \vee_1 (x \vee_1 y)$  and  $x \vee_2 y = (x \vee_2 y) \vee_2 y = x \vee_2 (x \vee_2 y) = y \vee_2 (x \vee_2 y)$ ; (9)  $(x \vee_1 z) \vee_1 ((x \vee_1 y) \vee_1 z) = (x \vee_1 y) \vee_1 z$  and  $(x \vee_2 z) \vee_2 ((x \vee_2 y) \vee_2 z) = (x \vee_2 y) \vee_2 z;$  $(10)$   $\dot{x} \vee_1 y = (x \vee_1 y)^{\rightarrow y \leadsto y} = ((x \vee_1 y)^{\rightarrow y} \vee_2 y)^{\leadsto y}$  and  $x \vee_2 y = (x \vee_2 y) \rightarrow y \rightarrow y = ((x \vee_2 y) \rightarrow y \vee_1 y) \rightarrow y$  $(11)$   $(x \vee_1 (y \vee_2 z) \rightarrow z) \rightarrow (y \vee_2 z) \rightarrow z' = (y \vee_2 (x \vee_1 z) \rightarrow z) \rightarrow (x \vee_1 z) \rightarrow z'$  $(12)$   $(x \vee_1 y)^{\rightarrow y} \vee_2 ((x \vee_1 z) \vee_1 (y \vee_1 z))^{\rightarrow (y \vee_1 z)} = ((x \vee_1 z) \vee_1 (y \vee_1 z))^{\rightarrow (y \vee_1 z)}$  and  $(x \vee_2 y) \rightsquigarrow y \vee_1 ((x \vee_2 z) \vee_2 (y \vee_2 z)) \rightsquigarrow (y \vee_2 z) = ((x \vee_2 z) \vee_2 (y \vee_2 z)) \rightsquigarrow (y \vee_2 z)$  $(13)\left((x\vee_2 z)^{x\vee x}\vee_1(y\vee_1 z))^{x\vee_2}=(y\vee_1 z)^{x\vee_2}(x\vee_2 z))^{x\vee_2(x\vee_2 z)}$  and  $((x \vee_1 z) \rightarrow z \vee_2 (y \vee_2 z)) \rightarrow(y \vee_2 z) = ((y \vee_2 z) \rightarrow z \vee_1 (x \vee_1 z)) \rightarrow (x \vee_1 z)$ (14)  $((x \vee_1 y) \vee_1 x)^{\rightarrow x} = (x \vee_1 y)^{\rightarrow x}$  and  $((x \vee_2 y) \vee_2 x)^{\rightsquigarrow x} = (x \vee_2 y)^{\rightsquigarrow x}$ .

*Proof.* The proof of (1)-(6) is straightforward by the definition and properties of pseudo-BCK algebras. (6) Assume that  $x \preceq y$ . Then  $x \vee y = (x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y = 1 \rightsquigarrow y$  $y = y$ . Also,

$$
x \vee_2 y = (x \leadsto y) \rightarrow y = 1 \rightarrow y = y.
$$

Conversely, suppose that  $x \vee_1 y = y$  and  $x \vee_2 y = y$ . Since

$$
x \to y = x \to ((x \to y) \leadsto y) = (x \to y) \leadsto (x \to y) = 1
$$

and

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

then  $x \prec y$ .

(7) Suppose that  $(x \to y) \leadsto y = y$  and  $(y \to x) \leadsto x = x$ . Then by (psBCI<sub>3</sub>) we have

$$
x \to y = x \to ((x \to y) \leadsto y) = (x \to y) \leadsto (x \to y) = 1
$$

and

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

Now, using ( $p>BCI<sub>5</sub>$ )  $x = y$ . By a similar argument the second part is valid.

(8) By Proposition [2.1](#page-2-0) (6), we have

$$
(x \vee_1 y) \vee_1 y = ((x \vee_1 y) \to y) \rightsquigarrow y
$$
  
=  $((x \to y) \rightsquigarrow y) \to y) \rightsquigarrow y$   
=  $(x \to y) \rightsquigarrow y$   
=  $x \vee_1 y$ .

Similarly, we see that  $x \vee_1 (x \vee_1 y) = x \vee_1 y$  and  $y \vee_1 (x \vee_1 y) = x \vee_1 y$ .

(9) According to (psBCI<sub>2</sub>),  $x \leq x \vee_1 y$ . By Proposition [2.1](#page-2-0) (1) and (2), we have  $x \vee_1 z \preceq (x \vee_1 y) \vee_1 z$ . Now, using (6) it follows that  $(x \vee_1 z) \vee_1 ((x \vee_1 y) \vee_1 z) = (x \vee_1 y) \vee_1 z$ . By a similar argument we can verify  $x \vee_2 y = (x \vee_2 y) \vee_2 y = x \vee_2 (x \vee_2 y) = y \vee_2 (x \vee_2 y)$ .  $(10)$   $(x \vee_1 y)^{\rightarrow y \sim y} = ((x \vee_1 y) \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y = x \vee_1 y$  and  $(x \vee_2 y)^{\sim y \rightarrow y} = ((x \vee_2 y) \rightsquigarrow y)$  $y) \rightarrow y = x \vee_2 y$ . By Proposition [2.1](#page-2-0) (6), we have

$$
((x \vee_1 y)^{\rightarrow y} \vee_2 y)^{\sim y} = (((x \vee_1 y) \rightarrow y) \vee_2 y)^{\sim y}
$$
  

$$
= (((x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y) \rightarrow y) \vee_2 y)^{\sim y}
$$
  

$$
= ((x \rightarrow y) \vee_2 y)^{\sim y}
$$
  

$$
= (((x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y) \rightarrow y)^{\sim y}
$$
  

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= (x \rightarrow y)^{\sim y}
$$
  

$$
= (x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y
$$
  

$$
= x \vee_1 y.
$$

Also, the proof of the second part is similar.

(11) From (5) and Proposition [2.1](#page-2-0) (4), we conclude

$$
(x \vee_1 (y \vee_2 z)^{\rightsquigarrow z})^{\rightarrow (y \vee_2 z)^{\rightsquigarrow z}} = (x \vee_1 (y \rightsquigarrow z))^{\rightarrow (y \rightsquigarrow z)}
$$
  
=  $x \rightarrow (y \rightsquigarrow z) = y \rightsquigarrow (x \rightarrow z)$   
=  $(y \vee_2 (x \rightarrow z))^{\rightsquigarrow (x \vee_1 z)^{\rightarrow z}}$   
=  $(y \vee_2 (x \vee_1 z)^{\rightarrow z})^{\rightsquigarrow (x \vee_1 z)^{\rightarrow z}}.$ 

 $(12)$  Using  $(5)$ , we have

$$
((x \vee_1 z) \vee_1 (y \vee_1 z))^{\rightarrow (y \vee_1 z)} = (x \vee_1 z) \rightarrow (y \vee_1 z)
$$
  
=  $((x \rightarrow z) \rightsquigarrow z) \rightarrow ((y \rightarrow z) \rightsquigarrow z)$   
=  $(y \rightarrow z) \rightsquigarrow ((x \rightarrow z) \rightsquigarrow z) \rightarrow z)$   
=  $(y \rightarrow z) \rightsquigarrow (x \rightarrow z).$ 

We have  $(x \to y) \vee_2 ((y \to z) \leadsto (x \to z)) = 1 \to ((y \to z) \leadsto (x \to z))$ . From this and  $(psBCI<sub>1</sub>)$  we conclude

$$
(x \vee_1 y)^{\rightarrow y} \vee_2 ((x \vee_1 z) \vee_1 (y \vee_1 z))^{\rightarrow (y \vee_1 z)} = (x \vee_1 y)^{\rightarrow y} \vee_2 ((y \rightarrow z) \rightsquigarrow (x \rightarrow z))
$$
  

$$
= (x \rightarrow y) \vee_2 ((y \rightarrow z) \rightsquigarrow (x \rightarrow z))
$$
  

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

$$
= (y \rightarrow z) \rightsquigarrow (x \rightarrow z)
$$
  

$$
= ((x \vee_1 z) \vee_1 (y \vee_1 z))^{\rightarrow (y \vee_1 z)}.
$$

(13) Applying (5), we have

$$
((x \vee_2 z)^{\sim z} \vee_1 (y \vee_1 z))^{\to (y \vee_1 z)} = (x \rightsquigarrow z) \to (y \vee_1 z)
$$
  
=  $(x \rightsquigarrow z) \to ((y \to z) \rightsquigarrow z)$   
=  $(y \to z) \rightsquigarrow (x \rightsquigarrow z) \to z)$   
=  $(y \to z) \rightsquigarrow (x \vee_2 z)$   
=  $((y \vee_1 z)^{\to z} \vee_2 (x \vee_2 z))^{\rightsquigarrow (x \vee_2 z)}$ .

By a similar argument we have

$$
((x\vee_1 z)^{\rightarrow z}\vee_2 (y\vee_2 z))^{\rightsquigarrow (y\vee_2 z)} = ((y\vee_2 z)^{\rightsquigarrow z}\vee_1 (x\vee_1 z))^{\rightarrow (x\vee_1 z)}.
$$

(14) Using Proposition [2.1](#page-2-0) (6), we get

$$
((x \vee_1 y) \vee_1 x)^{\rightarrow x} = (((x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y) \vee_1 x)^{\rightarrow x}
$$
  
\n
$$
= (((x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y) \rightarrow x) \rightsquigarrow x)^{\rightarrow x}
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= ((x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y)^{\rightarrow x}
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= ((x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y) \rightarrow x
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$$
= (x \vee_1 y) \rightarrow x
$$
  
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$$
= (x \vee_1 y)^{\rightarrow x}.
$$

Similarly,  $((x \vee_2 y) \vee_2 x)^{\rightsquigarrow x} = (x \vee_2 y)^{\rightsquigarrow x}$ 

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let*  $\mathfrak{X} = (X; \vee_1, \vee_2)$  *be an algebra of type*  $(2, 2)$  *satisfying the quasiidentities* (4), (7), (8) and (9) of Theorem [3.1](#page-4-0). Then the binary relation  $\preceq$  defined *by*

(B)  $x \preceq y$  *if and only if*  $x \vee_1 y = y$  *and*  $x \vee_2 y = y$  *is a partial order on X.* 

*Proof.* By (4) and (7),  $\preceq$  is reflexive and antisymmetric. For transitivity, assume that  $x \preceq y$  and  $y \preceq z$ . Using (8) and (9), we get

$$
x \vee_1 z = (x \vee_1 z) \vee_1 z
$$
  
=  $(x \vee_1 z) \vee_1 (y \vee_1 z)$   
=  $(x \vee_1 z) \vee_1 ((x \vee_1 y) \vee_1 z)$   
=  $(x \vee_1 y) \vee_1 z$   
=  $y \vee_1 z = z$ 

and if  $x \vee_2 y = y$  and  $y \vee_2 z = z$ , then we have

$$
x \vee_2 z = (x \vee_2 z) \vee_2 z
$$
  
=  $(x \vee_2 z) \vee_2 (y \vee_2 z)$   
=  $(x \vee_2 z) \vee_2 ((x \vee_2 y) \vee_2 z)$   
=  $(x \vee_2 y) \vee_2 z$   
=  $y \vee_2 z = z$ .

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Thus,  $\preceq$  is a partial order on *X*.

The following example shows that for every pseudo-BCK algebra  $\mathfrak{X}$ ,  $(X; \vee_1)$  and  $(X; V_2)$  are not directoids in general.

*Example* 3.2. Let  $\mathfrak X$  be the algebra given in Example [3.1.](#page-4-1) Then  $(X; \vee_1)$  and  $(X; \vee_2)$ are not directoids, since

$$
c \vee_1 0 = (c \to 0) \leadsto 0 = 0 \leadsto 0 = 1 \neq (c \vee_1 0) \vee_1 c = 0 \vee_1 c = (0 \to c) \leadsto c = 1 \leadsto c = c
$$
 and

$$
c \vee_2 0 = (c \leadsto 0) \to 0 = 0 \to 0 = 1 \neq (c \vee_2 0) \vee_2 c = 0 \vee_2 c = (0 \leadsto c) \to c = 1 \to c = c.
$$

<span id="page-8-0"></span>**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $\mathfrak{X}$  be a pseudo-BCK algebra,  $\vee_1$  and  $\vee_2$  be the binary operations *defined by* (A)*. Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1)  $(X; \vee_1)$  *and*  $(X; \vee_2)$  *are directoids;*
- (2) X *is a commutative pseudo-BCK algebra;*
- (3)  $(X; \preceq)$  *is a join-semilattice, where*  $\preceq$  *is defined by* (B).

*Proof.* (1)⇒(2) Assume that  $(X; V_1)$  is a directoid. Then  $x \preceq y$  implies  $y V_1 x = y$ and so  $\mathfrak X$  satisfies the quasi-identity

$$
x \preceq y \Rightarrow y = (y \to x) \rightsquigarrow x.
$$

Similary,  $x \preceq y$  implies  $y = (y \rightsquigarrow x) \rightarrow x$ . Therefore,  $\mathfrak{X}$  is a commutative pseudo-BCK algebra by Theorem [2.1.](#page-2-0)

 $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$  It follows from Proposition [2.2.](#page-3-0)

 $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$  It is obvious that every join-semilattice is a directoid.

**Corollary 3.1.** Let  $\mathfrak{X}$  be a pseudo-BCK(pDN),  $\vee_1$  and  $\vee_2$  be the binary operations *defined by* (A)*. Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1)  $(X; \vee_1)$  *and*  $(X; \vee_2)$  *are directoids;*
- (2) X *is a commutative pseudo-BCK algebra;*
- (3)  $(X; \prec)$  *is a join-semilattice*;
- (4)  $(X; \prec)$  *is a meet-semilattice*;
- (5)  $(X; \preceq)$  *is a lattice.*

*Proof.* It follows from Theorems [3.2](#page-8-0) and [2.2.](#page-3-1) □

**Corollary 3.2.** Let  $\mathfrak{X}$  be a pseudo-BCK(pDN),  $\vee_1$  and  $\vee_2$  be the binary operations *defined by* (A)*. Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1)  $(X; \vee_1)$  *and*  $(X; \vee_2)$  *are directoids*;
- (2) X *is a commutative pseudo-BCK algebra;*
- $(3) \{1\} \in \mathfrak{D}S_c(X);$
- (4)  $\mathfrak{D}S(X) = \mathfrak{D}S_c(X)$ .

*Proof.* It follows from Theorem [3.2](#page-8-0) and [\[6,](#page-11-5) Corollary 4.6, Theorem 4.7 and Corollary 4.8].

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In  $[8]$ , L. C. Ciungu proved that for every pseudo-BCK $(pDN)$  lattice the following conditions are equivalent (see [\[8,](#page-11-9) Proposition 3.5]):

- $(P_1)$   $(x \wedge y) \rightarrow z = (x \rightarrow z) \vee (y \rightarrow z)$  and  $(x \wedge y) \rightsquigarrow z = (x \rightsquigarrow z) \vee (y \rightsquigarrow z);$
- $(P_2)$   $z \rightarrow (x \vee y) = (z \rightarrow x) \vee (z \rightarrow y)$  and  $z \rightsquigarrow (x \vee y) = (z \rightsquigarrow x) \vee (z \rightsquigarrow y)$ .

Also, she showed that the class of pseudo-BCK(pDN) lattices satisfies the conditions  $(P_1)$  and  $(P_2)$  is not empty, since every pseudo-MV algebra satisfies these conditions. Further, It was proved that if a pseudo-BCK(pDN) lattice  $\mathfrak X$  satisfying  $(P_1)$  or  $(P_2)$ , then  $(X; \prec)$  is a distributive lattice (see [\[8,](#page-11-9) Theorem 3.4, Corollary 3.2]).

<span id="page-9-0"></span>**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $\mathfrak{S} = (S; \vee_1, \vee_2, (\neg^a)_{a \in S}, (\neg^a)_{a \in S}, 1)$  be a structure algebraic, where  $\vee$ <sub>1</sub> and  $\vee$ <sub>2</sub> are binary operations on S and for each  $a \in S$ ,  $\rightarrow$ <sup>*a*</sup> and  $\sim$ <sup>*a*</sup> are unary *operations on*  $\{x \in S : a \vee_1 x = 1 \text{ and } a \vee_2 x = 1\}$  and 1 *is a distinguished element of S, satisfying the quasi-identities* (1)*-*(12) *from Theorem* [3.1](#page-4-0)*. Define the new binary*  $\text{operations} \rightarrow \text{and} \rightsquigarrow \text{on} S \text{ by}$ 

(C)  $x \to y = (x \lor_1 y)^{\to y}$  and  $x \leadsto y = (x \lor_2 y)^{\sim y}$ . *Then*  $\mathfrak{X}(\mathfrak{S}) = (S; \rightarrow, \rightarrow, 1)$  *is a pseudo-BCK algebra.* 

*Proof.* The definition of  $\rightarrow$  and  $\rightarrow$  are well define from Theorem [3.1](#page-4-0) (8). Furthermore, we note that

(D)  $x \vee_1 y = y$  and  $x \vee_2 y = y$  if and only if  $x \rightarrow y = 1$  and  $x \rightarrow y = 1$ .

Indeed, if  $x \vee_1 y = y$ , then  $x \to y = (x \vee_1 y)^{\to y} = y^{\to y} = 1$ , by Theorem [3.1](#page-4-0) (2). Similarly, if  $x \vee_2 y = y$ , then  $x \rightsquigarrow y = (x \vee_2 y)^{y} = y^{y} = 1$ .

For conversely,  $1 = x \rightarrow y = (x \vee_1 y)^{\rightarrow y}$  implies  $y = 1^{\leadsto y} = (x \vee_1 y)^{\rightarrow y \leadsto y} = x \vee_1 y$ . Also,  $1 = x \rightarrow y = (x \vee_2 y)^{y}$  implies  $y = 1^{-y} = (x \vee_2 y)^{y} = x \vee_2 y$ , by Theorem [3.1](#page-4-0) (3) and (10). Now, we verify the axioms of pseudo-BCK algebras as follows.

 $(psBCI<sub>1</sub>)$  Using Theorem [3.1](#page-4-0) (5) and (12), we obtain

$$
(x \to y) \vee_2 ((x \vee_1 z) \to (y \vee_1 z)) = (x \vee_1 y)^{\to y} \vee_2 ((x \vee_1 z) \vee_1 (y \vee_1 z))^{\to (y \vee_1 z)}
$$
  

$$
= ((x \vee_1 z) \vee_1 (y \vee_1 z))^{\to (y \vee_1 z)}
$$
  

$$
= (x \vee_1 z) \to (y \vee_1 z).
$$

Thus,  $(x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow ((x \vee_1 z) \rightarrow (y \vee_1 z)) = 1$ .

Also, according to Theorem [3.1](#page-4-0) (10) and (11), we get

$$
(x\rightarrow y)\rightsquigarrow y=((x\vee_1 y)^{\rightarrow y}\vee_2 y)^{\rightsquigarrow y}=x\vee_1 y
$$

and

$$
x \to (y \leadsto z) = (x \vee_1 (y \vee_2 z)^{\leadsto z})^{\to (y \vee_2 z)} = (y \vee_2 (x \vee_1 z)^{\to z})^{\leadsto (x \vee_1 z)} = y \leadsto (x \to z).
$$

Then

$$
(x \vee_1 z) \to (y \vee_1 z) = ((x \to z) \rightsquigarrow z) \to ((y \to z) \rightsquigarrow z)
$$
  
= $(y \to z) \rightsquigarrow (((x \to z) \rightsquigarrow z) \to z)$   
= $(y \to z) \rightsquigarrow (x \to z),$ 

since

$$
((x \to z) \to z) \rightsquigarrow z = (((x \vee_1 z)^{\to z} \vee_2 z)^{\to z} \vee_1 z)^{\to z}
$$
  
= 
$$
((x \vee_1 z) \vee_1 z)^{\to z}
$$
  
= 
$$
(x \vee_1 z)^{\to z}
$$
  
= 
$$
x \to z.
$$

Altogether, we have

$$
(x \to y) \rightsquigarrow ((y \to z) \rightsquigarrow (x \to z)) = (x \to y) \rightsquigarrow ((x \vee_1 z) \to (y \vee_1 z)) = 1.
$$

The second part of axiom  $(psBCI<sub>1</sub>)$  follows by duality.

 $(psBCI_2)$  Using Theorem [3.1](#page-4-0) (10), we get

$$
(x \to y) \rightsquigarrow y = ((x \vee_1 y)^{\to y} \vee_2 y)^{\sim y} = x \vee_1 y.
$$

Hence,  $x \vee_1 ((x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y) = x \vee_1 (x \vee_1 y) = x \vee_1 y = (x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y$ . Then  $x \rightarrow ((x \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y) = 1.$ 

By a similar argument we have  $x \rightsquigarrow ((x \rightsquigarrow y) \rightarrow y) = 1$ .

(psBCI<sub>3</sub>) Applying (D), from  $x \vee_1 x = x \vee_2 x = x$  it follows  $x \to x = x \rightsquigarrow x = 1$ .

(psBCI<sub>4</sub>) If  $x \to y = 1$  and  $y \to x = 1$ , then by Theorem [3.1](#page-4-0) (6), we have  $x \vee_1 y = y$ and  $y \vee_1 x = x$ . Now, using Theorem [3.1](#page-4-0) (7), it follows  $x = y$ .

 $(psBCI_5)$  This follows from Theorem [3.1](#page-4-0) (6) and (D).

(psBCK) By Theorem [3.1](#page-4-0) (1),  $x \vee_1 1 = x \vee_2 1 = 1$ . From (D) we see that  $x \to 1 =$  $x \rightarrow 1 = 1.$ 

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $\mathfrak{S} = (S; \vee_1, \vee_2, (\neg^a)_{a \in S}, (\neg^a)_{a \in S}, 1)$  be an algebra as in Theo*rem* [3.3](#page-9-0) *satisfying* (1)*-*(12) *of Theorem* [3.1](#page-4-0) *and* X *be a pseudo-BCK algebra. Then*  $\mathfrak{X}(\mathfrak{S}(\mathfrak{X})) = \mathfrak{X}$  and  $\mathfrak{S}(\mathfrak{X}(\mathfrak{S})) = \mathfrak{S}$ .

*Proof.* By Theorem [3.1,](#page-4-0)  $\mathfrak{S}(\mathfrak{X}) = (X; \vee_1, \vee_2, (\neg^a)_{a \in X}, (\neg^a)_{a \in X}, 1)$  is the structure satisfying  $(1)-(12)$  which is assigned to a given pseudo-BCK algebra  $\mathfrak{X}$ . Then in  $\mathfrak{X}(\mathfrak{S}(\mathfrak{X})) = (X; \rightarrow_1, \rightsquigarrow_1, 1)$  we have

$$
x \to_1 y = (x \lor_1 y)^{\to y} = ((x \to y) \leadsto y) \to y = x \to y
$$

and

$$
x \rightsquigarrow_2 y = (x \vee_2 y)^{\sim y} = ((x \rightsquigarrow y) \rightarrow y) \rightsquigarrow y = x \rightsquigarrow y.
$$

Therefore,  $\mathfrak{X}(\mathfrak{S}(\mathfrak{X})) = \mathfrak{X}$ .

Also, assume that  $\mathfrak{S} = (S; \vee_1, \vee_2, (\neg^a)_{a \in S}, (\neg^a)_{a \in S}, 1)$  is a structure that satisfies (1)-(12) of Theorem [3.1,](#page-4-0)  $\mathfrak{X}(\mathfrak{S}) = (S; \rightarrow, \rightsquigarrow, 1)$  its corresponding pseudo-BCK algebra (cf. Theorem [3.3\)](#page-9-0) and  $\mathfrak{S}(\mathfrak{X}(\mathfrak{S})) = (S; \sqcup_1, \sqcup_2, (r_{1a})_{a \in S}, (r_{2a})_{a \in S}, 1)$ . Then

$$
x \sqcup_1 y = (x \to y) \leadsto y = ((x \vee_1 y)^{\to y} \vee_2 y)^{\leadsto y} = x \vee_1 y
$$

and

$$
x \sqcup_2 y = (x \leadsto y) \rightarrow y = ((x \vee_2 y)^{\leadsto y} \vee_1 y)^{\rightarrow y} = x \vee_2 y.
$$

Further, for  $x \in [a, 1]$ , we have

$$
r_{1a}(x) = x \to a = (x \vee_1 a)^{\to a} = ((a \vee_1 x) \vee_1 a)^{\to a} = (a \vee_1 x)^{\to a} = x^{\to a}
$$

and

$$
r_{2a}(x) = x \leftrightarrow a = (x \vee_2 a)^{\leadsto a} = ((a \vee_2 x) \vee_2 a)^{\leadsto a} = (a \vee_2 x)^{\leadsto a} = x^{\leadsto a}.
$$

Therefore,  $\mathfrak{S}(\mathfrak{X}(\mathfrak{S})) = \mathfrak{S}$ .

**Corollary 3.3.** Let  $\mathfrak{S} = (S; \vee_1, \vee_2, (\neg^a)_{a \in S}, (\neg^a)_{a \in S}, 1)$  be an algebraic structure *satisfying* (1)*-*(13) *of Theorem* [3.1](#page-4-0)*. Then the relation defined by* (*B*) *is a partial order on S*, 1 *is the greatest element of S and for every*  $x, y \in S$ ,  $x, y \leq x \vee y$ , where  $V = V_1 = V_2$ . Moreover, for each  $a \in S$ ,  $\rightarrow a$  and  $\rightarrow a$  are antitone mappings on  $[a, 1] = \{x \in S : a \leq x\}.$ 

### **CONCLUSION**

We consider that this paper could contribute to the study of algebraic structures and to the development of pseudo-BCK algebras. So, we hope it would be served as a foundation and another topic of research to define and investigate among algebraic structures derived from pseudo-BCK algebras. As another direction of research, one could investigate relationship between commutative pseudo-valuation on pseudo-BCK algebras with directoids.

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