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Algebras Presented by Normal Identities

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Abstract

Let \mathbf{p} , \mathbf{q} be terms of the same type τ . The identity $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{q}$ is called *normal* if neither \mathbf{p} nor \mathbf{q} is a variable or else both \mathbf{p} and \mathbf{q} are the same variable. We describe a structure of algebras presented by normal identities and for algebras which have not this property we find a maximal subalgebra of a normally presented algebra satisfying the same identities. We introduce the notion of a *normal congruence* and we shall describe the lattice of all normal congruences of an algebra. Moreover, we expose the connection between *fully invariant* and *normal congruences* of the algebra of terms of a given type τ and *normal varieties* of algebras.

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1 Preliminaries

Throughout the paper we suppose that τ is a given similarity type containing at least one at least unary operation symbol. Let \mathbf{p} , \mathbf{q} be terms of type τ . An identity $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{q}$ is said to be *normal* if neither \mathbf{p} nor \mathbf{q} is a variable, or else

both \mathbf{p} and \mathbf{q} are the same variable. A term $\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n)$ of type τ is called *nontrivial* if it is not a single variable, otherwise it is called *trivial*. $\text{Mod}(\Sigma)$ denotes the class of all algebras \mathbf{A} of type τ satisfying a given set Σ of identities of type τ . A variety \mathcal{V} is *normally presented* if $\mathcal{V} = \text{Mod}(\Sigma)$, where Σ is a set of identities of a given type τ , containing only *normal identities*. Otherwise \mathcal{V} is *not normally presented*. For an algebra \mathbf{A} , $\text{Id}(\mathbf{A})$ denotes the set of all identities satisfied in \mathbf{A} , $N(\mathbf{A})$ denotes the set of all *normal identities* in $\text{Id}(\mathbf{A})$. For a variety \mathcal{V} we denote by $\text{Id}(\mathcal{V})$ and $N(\mathcal{V})$ the set of all (normal) identities satisfied in \mathcal{V} , respectively. The *nilpotent shift* of a variety \mathcal{V} is the variety $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}) = \text{Mod}(N(\mathcal{V}))$ (cf. [7], [14]). Hence, \mathcal{V} is *normally presented* iff $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})$ or, equivalently, $\text{Id}(\mathcal{V}) = N(\mathcal{V})$. Such varieties were examined by several authors, see [5]–[15]. Some important constructions of $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})$ can be found in [4], [7], [8], [15] and in the case when \mathcal{V} is *congruence distributive* see also [3]. An algebra \mathbf{A} is called *normal* if $\text{Id}(\mathbf{A}) = N(\mathbf{A})$ and *non-normal* otherwise.

The aim of the paper is:

- (i) describe non-normal algebras;
- (ii) If an algebra \mathbf{A} is not normal and $\mathbf{B} \in \mathcal{N}(V(\mathbf{A}))$, where $V(\mathbf{A})$ is the variety generated by \mathbf{A} , find a maximal subalgebra \mathbf{B}^* of \mathbf{B} satisfying $\text{Id}(\mathbf{A})$.

In the sequel, H , S , P shall denote the following operators on classes of algebras: H –taking *homomorphic images* of algebras, S –taking *subalgebras*, P –taking *products*. For an algebra \mathbf{A} of type τ , $\mathcal{V}(\mathbf{A})$ denotes the variety (of type τ) generated by \mathbf{A} .

2 Non-normal algebras

Lemma 2.1 *Let $\mathbf{A} = (A, F)$ be an algebra of type τ . Then $\text{Id}(\mathbf{A}) \neq N(\mathbf{A})$ if and only if there exists a unary nontrivial term $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x})$ of type τ such that $\mathbf{A} \models \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}$.*

Proof *Sufficiency* is obvious.

Necessity. Let $\text{Id}(\mathbf{A}) \neq N(\mathbf{A})$. Then $\mathbf{A} \models \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n) = \mathbf{x}_k$ for some n -ary nontrivial term \mathbf{p} . Setting $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x}, \dots, \mathbf{x})$ we conclude that $\mathbf{A} \models \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}$. \square

Remark 2.1 If \mathbf{A} is non-normal, then the term $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x})$ of Lemma 2.1 need not be uniquely determined. On the other hand, if $\mathbf{w}(\mathbf{x})$ is a nontrivial term of type τ and $\mathbf{A} \models \mathbf{w}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}$ then clearly $\mathbf{A} \models \mathbf{w}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x})$. Hence, $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x})$ is “determined uniquely up to an identity”. It justifies to call $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x})$ the *assigned term* of \mathbf{A} .

Example 2.1 If \mathbf{L} is a lattice, one can set $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x} \vee \mathbf{x}$ or $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x} \wedge \mathbf{x}$. Of course, $\mathbf{x} \vee \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x} \wedge \mathbf{x}$ in \mathbf{L} . If \mathbf{G} is a group, one can set $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}^{-1}\mathbf{x}$ or $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{e}\mathbf{x}$, where \mathbf{e} is the unit of \mathbf{G} . Then $\mathbf{G} \models \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}$.

An endomorphism w of an algebra \mathbf{A} is called *idempotent* if $w \circ w = w$ in \mathbf{A} , where \circ denotes the superposition.

Lemma 2.2 *Let \mathbf{A} be a non-normal algebra of type τ . Then the assigned term $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x})$ corresponds to an idempotent endomorphism of every algebra $\mathbf{B} \in \text{Mod}(N(\mathbf{A}))$.*

Proof Of course, the identity $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}$ implies $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x})) = \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x})$, which is a normal identity, i.e. it is satisfied by each $\mathbf{B} \in \text{Mod}(N(\mathbf{A}))$.

Moreover, let $f \in F$ be n -ary. Thus $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}$ also implies:

$$\mathbf{v}(f(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n)) = f(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n) = f(\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}_1), \dots, \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}_n)). \quad (1)$$

However, such identities are normal, hence satisfied by \mathbf{B} . Thus $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x})$ is an idempotent endomorphism of \mathbf{B} . \square

Definition 2.1 An algebra $\mathbf{A} = (A, F)$ of type τ is called zero-algebra (of type τ) if there exists an element $0 \in A$ (so-called zero of A) such that

$$f(a_1, \dots, a_n) = 0$$

for every $f \in F$ with $\tau(f) = n$ ($n \in \mathbf{N}$) and all $a_1, \dots, a_n \in A$.

For the role of *zero-algebras* in varieties and pseudovarieties (cf. [1]) see [8], [9]. The two-element zero-algebra of type τ is denoted by $\mathbf{1}_\tau$ in [7]. The following assertion is straightforward and hence the proof is omitted:

Lemma 2.3 *Let $\mathbf{C} = (C, F)$ be a zero-algebra of type τ , let \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q} be arbitrary nontrivial terms of type τ . Then:*

- (i) $\mathbf{C} \models \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{q}$;
- (ii) every equivalence on C is a congruence of \mathbf{C} ;
- (iii) if $\Theta \in \text{Con}(\mathbf{C})$ then $\mathbf{C}/\Theta \cong \mathbf{B} \in S(\mathbf{C})$; moreover if $\mathbf{B} \in S(\mathbf{C})$ then $\mathbf{B} \cong \mathbf{C}/\Theta$ for some $\Theta \in \text{Con}(\mathbf{C})$;
- (iv) if $|C| > 1$ then \mathbf{C} contains a two-element zero-algebra $\mathbf{1}_\tau$.

Applying Lemma 2.1, we conclude immediately:

Lemma 2.4 *Let \mathbf{A} be an algebra of type τ . The following conditions are equivalent:*

- (a) $\text{Id}(\mathbf{A}) \neq N(\mathbf{A})$;
- (b) $\text{Id}(\mathbf{A})$ are consequences of $\Sigma \cup \{\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}\}$ for a set $\Sigma \subseteq N(\mathbf{A})$ and for $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x})$ being an assigned term of \mathbf{A} .

Proof Confront the proof of Theorem 1 of [6]. \square

Theorem 2.1 *Let \mathbf{A} be an algebra of type τ and $\text{Id}(\mathbf{A}) \neq N(\mathbf{A})$. Let $\mathbf{B} \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}(\mathbf{A}))$. Then \mathbf{B} is isomorphic to a subdirect product of algebras \mathbf{D} and \mathbf{C} , where $\mathbf{D} \models \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}$ for an assigned term $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x})$ of \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{C} is a zero-algebra of type τ .*

Proof Confront [14] and the proof of Theorem 1 of [15]. \square

Example 2.2 Let $\mathbf{A} = (\{a, b, c\}, f)$ be a nonunary algebra, where f is defined as in Fig. 1:



Fig. 1

Then $v(c) \neq c$ for every nontrivial term operation v of \mathbf{A} . Of course, $Id(\mathbf{A}) = N(\mathbf{A})$ (in fact, $\mathbf{A} \models \mathbf{f}^3(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})$). \mathbf{A} is isomorphic to a subdirect product of algebras $\mathbf{D} = (\{z, v\}, f)$ and $\mathbf{C} = (\{g, 0\}, f)$ visualized in Fig. 2 and Fig. 3, respectively:



Fig. 2

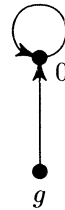


Fig. 3

\mathbf{C} is a zero-algebra, $a = \langle z, 0 \rangle$, $b = \langle v, 0 \rangle$, $c = \langle z, g \rangle$. One can verify: $\mathbf{D} \models \mathbf{f}^2(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}$ (which of course implies $\mathbf{f}^3(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})$). \mathbf{A} has no zero-algebra as a subalgebra but \mathbf{A}/Θ is a zero-algebra, where Θ is given by the partition $\{a, b\}, \{c\}$.

Corollary 2.1 *Let \mathbf{A} be an algebra of type τ .*

- (a) *If there exists a homomorphic image or a subalgebra of \mathbf{A} isomorphic to a nontrivial zero-algebra, then $Id(\mathbf{A}) = N(\mathbf{A})$.*
- (b) *If there exists an element c of \mathbf{A} which is not a result of any nontrivial term operation of \mathbf{A} , then $Id(\mathbf{A}) = N(\mathbf{A})$.*

Proof A nontrivial zero-algebra does not satisfy the identity $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}$ for any nontrivial unary term $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x})$ of \mathbf{A} . Hence, if either a homomorphic image or a subalgebra of \mathbf{A} is a nontrivial zero-algebra, then also \mathbf{A} cannot satisfy any identity of the form $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}$ for a nontrivial term \mathbf{v} . By virtue of Lemma 2.1, $Id(\mathbf{A}) = N(\mathbf{A})$.

If $c \in A$ and c is not a result of any nontrivial term operation of \mathbf{A} , then the equivalence Θ given by the partition $\{c\}, A - \{c\}$ is a congruence of \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{A}/Θ is a two-element zero-algebra (whose zero is the class $A - \{c\} = 0$). By the formerly proved assertion (a), $Id(\mathbf{A}) = N(\mathbf{A})$. □

Remark 2.2 The converse of Corollary 2.1 does not hold in general. There exists an algebra \mathbf{A} with $Id(\mathbf{A}) = N(\mathbf{A})$ but \mathbf{A} has no subalgebra and no homomorphic image isomorphic with a zero-algebra, moreover, every element of \mathbf{A} is a result of some nontrivial operation of \mathbf{A} .

Example 2.3 Let $\mathbf{A} = (\{a, b, c\}, f, g)$ be an algebra with two unary operations defined as in Fig. 4:

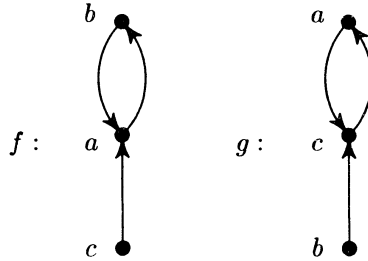


Fig. 4

Then, as can be easily checked, $Id(\mathbf{A}) = N(\mathbf{A})$. Of course, $\mathbf{A} \models \mathbf{f}^3(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})$, $\mathbf{g}^3(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x})$. \mathbf{A} has no proper subalgebra, \mathbf{A} is not a zero-algebra and \mathbf{A} has only one nontrivial congruence Θ defined by the partition $\{a, b\}, \{c\}$. Moreover, \mathbf{A}/Θ is not a zero-algebra.

Remark 2.3 The property $Id(\mathbf{A}) \neq N(\mathbf{A})$ is not preserved by direct products.

Example 2.4 Let $\mathbf{A}_1 = (\{a, b\}, f, g)$, $\mathbf{A}_2 = (\{c, d\}, f, g)$ be algebras with two unary operations given in Fig. 5 and Fig. 6:

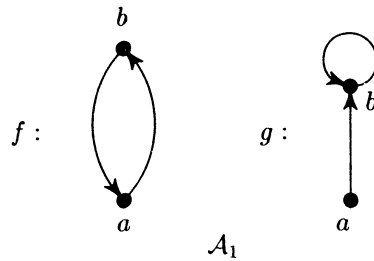


Fig. 5

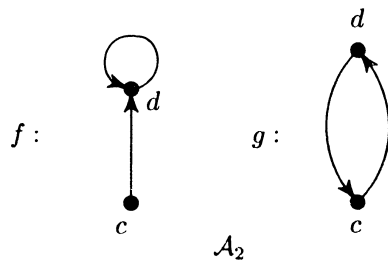


Fig. 6

Then $Id(\mathbf{A}_1) \neq N(\mathbf{A}_1)$ and $Id(\mathbf{A}_2) \neq N(\mathbf{A}_2)$ since $\mathbf{A}_1 \models \mathbf{f}^2(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}$ and $\mathbf{A}_2 \models \mathbf{g}^2(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}$. Consider the direct product $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}_1 \times \mathbf{A}_2$. Then the equivalence Θ given by the partition $\{\langle a, c \rangle\}, \{\langle a, d \rangle, \langle b, c \rangle, \langle b, d \rangle\}$ is a congruence on \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{A}/Θ is a two-element zero-algebra. By Corollary 2.1, $Id(\mathbf{A}) = N(\mathbf{A})$.

Theorem 2.2 *Let \mathbf{A} be an algebra of type τ with $Id(\mathbf{A}) \neq N(\mathbf{A})$. Let $\mathbf{B} = (B, F) \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}(\mathbf{A}))$ and let an assigned term \mathbf{v} of \mathbf{A} be given. Then $B^* = \{b \in B : v(b) = b\}$ is a subuniverse of \mathbf{B} and:*

- (a) $\mathbf{B}^* = (B^*, F) \models Id(\mathbf{A})$;
- (b) \mathbf{B}^* is a maximal subalgebra of \mathbf{B} satisfying $Id(\mathbf{A})$.

Proof By Lemma 2.2, the assigned term $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x})$ of \mathbf{A} is an endomorphism of \mathbf{B} thus \mathbf{B}^* is a subalgebra of \mathbf{B} . Since $\mathbf{B} \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}(\mathbf{A}))$, we have: $\mathbf{B}^* = (B^*, F) \models N(\mathbf{A})$. By the definition of B^* , also $B^* \models \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}$, thus $\mathbf{B}^* \models Id(\mathbf{A})$ by Lemma 2.4. If \mathbf{D} is a subalgebra of \mathbf{A} , $B^* \subseteq D \subseteq B$ and $\mathbf{D} \models Id(\mathbf{A})$, then $\mathbf{D} \models \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}$, whence $D \subseteq B^*$. Therefore, \mathbf{B}^* is a maximal subalgebra of \mathbf{B} satisfying $Id(\mathbf{A})$. \square

Remark 2.4 The subalgebra \mathbf{B}^* of \mathbf{B} in Theorem 2.2 consists just of all results of all operations of all elements of \mathbf{B} . In other words, these elements are in the rang of at least one nontrivial term operation of \mathbf{B} . Of course, if $b = f(b_1, \dots, b_n)$ for some $b_1, \dots, b_n \in B$ then, by Lemma 2.2, $v(f(b_1, \dots, b_n)) = f(b_1, \dots, b_n)$. Thus $b \in B^*$.

3 Birkhoff's theorems for normal varieties

Our aim is to present a variation of Birkhoff's type theorems for *normal varieties*, via a suitable notion of *normal congruences*.

First Birkhoff's Theorem of 1935, see [2], asserts that a set Σ of *identities* of a given type τ can be represented in the form $\Sigma = Id(\mathcal{K})$, (i.e. is an *equational class*) if and only if Σ is closed under rules (1)–(5) of derivation (called Birkhoff's rules of derivation), [13], [18]. For a given set Σ of identities of type τ , $E(\Sigma)$ denotes the set of all consequences of the set Σ by means of the derivation rules.

Second Birkhoff's Theorem [2] asserts that a nonempty class of algebras of a given type τ is a *variety* (i.e. is closed under operation of passing to subalgebras, homomorphic images and also arbitrary direct products) if and only if it is an *equational class*.

Our aim is to present a variation of Birkhoff's type theorems for *normal varieties*, via a suitable notion of *normal congruence*.

Normal congruences are closely related with the notion of *normally presented variety*.

Therefore we begin with the following:

Definition 3.1 Given an algebra $\mathbf{A} = (A, F)$, a congruence Θ of \mathbf{A} is called *normal* if the factor algebra \mathbf{A}/Θ is normal or trivial. Otherwise, it is called *non-normal*.

Note, that a non-normal algebra \mathbf{A} has always the trivial normal congruence $A \times A$. The notion of *normal congruence* is eventually interesting only for *non normal algebras*.

Theorem 3.1 *The set of all normal congruences $\mathbf{NCon}(\mathbf{A})$ of an algebra \mathbf{A} is a complete lattice $\mathbf{NCon}(\mathbf{A})$. It is a complete meet-subsemilattice of the congruences lattice $\mathbf{Con}(\mathbf{A})$. Moreover, the set of all normal congruences $\mathbf{NCon}(\mathbf{A})$ of an algebra \mathbf{A} is an algebraic closure system over $A \times A$.*

Proof Obviously the intersection of two normal congruences Θ and Ψ in \mathbf{A} is a normal congruence. The same statement can be easily proved for a family $\{\Theta_i; i \in I\}$ of normal congruences in \mathbf{A} . Therefore $\mathbf{NCon}(\mathbf{A})$ is a complete meet-subsemilattice of the lattice $\mathbf{Con}(\mathbf{A})$. Therefore the partially ordered set: $(\mathbf{NCon}(\mathbf{A}), \subseteq)$ is a complete lattice. We will show, that the join of given two normal congruences Θ and Ψ , in the lattice $\mathbf{Con}(\mathbf{A})$ i.e. $\Theta \vee \Psi$ is a normal congruence in \mathbf{A} .

To show this we shall associate with every normal congruence Θ of \mathbf{A} the normal variety $HSP(\mathbf{A}/\Theta)$. This variety will be denoted by \mathcal{V}_Θ . Given two normal congruences Θ and Ψ in \mathbf{A} . We will show, that:

$$\mathcal{V}_\Theta \cap \mathcal{V}_\Psi \supseteq \mathcal{V}_{\Theta \vee \Psi}.$$

Namely:

$$\begin{aligned} Id(\mathcal{V}_\Theta \cap \mathcal{V}_\Psi) &= E(Id(\mathcal{V}_\Theta) \cup Id(\mathcal{V}_\Psi)) = E(Id(\mathbf{A}/\Theta) \cup Id(\mathbf{A}/\Psi)) \\ &\subseteq Id(\mathbf{A}/(\Theta \vee \Psi)) = Id(\mathcal{V}_{\Theta \vee \Psi}). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly one can show the dual:

$$\mathcal{V}_\Theta \vee \mathcal{V}_\Psi = \mathcal{V}_{\Theta \cap \Psi}.$$

The proof that $\mathbf{NCon}(\mathbf{A})$ is an algebraic closure system is basically those of Lemma 3 and Theorem 1 of [13], p. 51. Namely, it is easy to see that for a given directed family $\{\Theta_i; i \in I\}$ of normal congruences of \mathbf{A} :

$$\bigcup (\Theta_i; i \in I) = \bigvee (\Theta_i; i \in I).$$

Therefore $\mathbf{NCon}(\mathbf{A})$ is an algebraic closure system over $A \times A$. □

Example 3.1 We can show that the inclusion $\mathcal{V}_\Theta \cap \mathcal{V}_\Psi \supseteq \mathcal{V}_{\Theta \vee \Psi}$ (mentioned in the proof of Theorem 3.1) cannot be converted in a general case. Consider a two-element zero-algebra of type $\tau: \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{1}_\tau = (\{0, 1\}, \mathbf{F})$ and its direct power $\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{A}$. Let Θ, Φ be congruences on $\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{A}$ given by their partitions

$$\Theta: \{(0, 0), (0, 1)\}, \{(1, 0), (1, 1)\}$$

$$\Phi: \{(0, 0), (1, 0)\}, \{(0, 1), (1, 1)\}.$$

Then $\Theta \vee \Phi = \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{A}$ in $\mathbf{Con}(\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{A})$ whence $V_{\Theta \vee \Phi}$ is trivial. On the other hand, V_{Θ} , V_{Φ} are not trivial since $V_{\Theta} = V_{\Phi} = \mathbf{HSP}(\mathbf{1}_{\tau})$ thus also $V_{\Theta} \cap V_{\Phi}$ is non-trivial, i.e.

$$V_{\Theta \vee \Phi} \subseteq V_{\Theta} \cap V_{\Phi} \quad \text{but} \quad V_{\Theta \vee \Psi} \neq V_{\Theta} \cap V_{\Psi}.$$

Theorem 3.2 *The lattice $N\mathbf{Con}(\mathbf{A})$ is an algebraic lattice.*

Proof Similarly as in the proof of Theorem 10.2 [13], p. 52, for congruences, our proof follows from Theorem 6.5 of [13] and Theorem 3.1. \square

Given an algebra $\mathbf{A} = (A, F)$, $E(\mathbf{A})$ denotes the set of all endomorphisms of an algebra \mathbf{A} . A congruence $\Theta \in \mathbf{Con}(\mathbf{A})$ is called *fully invariant* in \mathbf{A} if $\Theta \in \mathbf{Con}(\mathbf{A}^+)$, where $\mathbf{A}^+ = (A, F \cup E(\mathbf{A}))$.

Theorem 3.3 (G. Grätzer) *Let $\mathbf{F}(X)$ denotes a free algebra with a free generating set X , let Θ be a congruence of $\mathbf{F}(X)$. Then the algebra $\mathbf{F}(X)/\Theta$ is a free algebra with the set $\{[x]_{\Theta} : x \in X\}$ of free generators if and only if Θ is fully invariant in $\mathbf{F}(X)$.*

Theorem 3.4 *Let $\mathbf{F}(X)$ denotes a free algebra with a free generating set X , let Θ be a congruence of $\mathbf{F}(X)$. Then the algebra $\mathbf{F}(X)/\Theta$ is either trivial or a normal free algebra with the set $\{[x]_{\Theta} : x \in X\}$ of free generators if and only if Θ is normal and fully invariant congruence in $\mathbf{F}(X)$.*

Proof The proof follows from Theorem 3.3 and the fact that the algebra $\mathbf{F}(X)/\Theta$ is either trivial or satisfies only normal identities iff Θ is normal. \square

For a given class \mathcal{K} of algebras of type τ , denote by \mathcal{K}^* the class $\mathcal{K} \cup \{\mathbf{1}_{\tau}\}$.

From ([2], [13]) and the fact that algebra $\mathbf{1}_{\tau}$ satisfies only normal identities, we conclude immediately:

Lemma 3.1 *For every class \mathcal{K} of algebras of the same type τ , all the classes:*

$$\mathcal{K}^*, P(\mathcal{K}^*), S(\mathcal{K}^*), H(\mathcal{K}^*), \mathcal{V}(\mathcal{K}^*)$$

satisfy the normal identities $N(\mathcal{K})$.

Given a class \mathcal{K} of algebras of type τ , we denote by $F_{\mathcal{K}}(X)$ the free algebra of \mathcal{K} generated by the set X of free generators.

In the sequel, a set Σ consisting only of *normal identities* will be called *normal*.

Theorem 3.5 (First G. Birkhoff's Theorem for normal identities) *A set Σ of identities of type τ can be represented in the form: $\Sigma = \text{Id}(\mathcal{K}^*)$ if and only if Σ is closed under the Birkhoff's rules of derivation (1)–(5) and Σ is normal.*

Proof The proof is similar to that of First Birkhoff's theorem, presented in [12] for regular identities. The main difference is that one should concentrate on *normal identities* instead of *regular*. Moreover, we should notice, that for a given type τ , the zero-algebra $\mathbf{1}_\tau$ satisfies exactly all the normal identities of type τ . Finally we can see that the consequences via the rules (1)–(5) of inferences of a normal set Σ of identities of type τ is normal. \square

Theorem 3.6 *Let \mathcal{K} be a nonempty class of algebras of type τ , \mathbf{A} be an algebra of type τ and X be a set such that $|X| \geq |A|$. The following condition is satisfied:*

$$\mathbf{A} \models Id(\mathcal{K}^*) \text{ if and only if } \mathbf{A} \in H(\mathbf{F}_{\mathcal{K}^*}(X)).$$

The proof is analogous to that of A. Tarski [17] taking in account that $Id(\mathcal{K}^*)$ are exactly all normal identities of \mathcal{K}

Theorem 3.7 (Second G. Birkhoff's Theorem on H,S,P,*) *For every non-empty class \mathcal{K} of algebras of the same type τ ,*

$$HSP(\mathcal{K}^*) = Mod(Id(\mathcal{K}^*)).$$

Proof The inclusion \subseteq . Given a nonempty class \mathcal{K} of algebras. Let $\Sigma = Id(\mathcal{K}^*)$. From Lemma 3.1: $\mathcal{V}(\mathcal{K}^*) \models \Sigma$, i.e. $\mathcal{V}(\mathcal{K}^*) \subseteq Mod(\Sigma)$, therefore:

$$HSP(\mathcal{K}^*) = \mathcal{V}(\mathcal{K}^*) \subseteq Mod(Id(\mathcal{K}^*)).$$

The inclusion \supseteq . From the other hand, by Theorem 3.6, every element of $Mod(Id(\mathcal{K}^*))$ is a homomorphic image of a free algebra $\mathbf{F}_{\mathcal{K}^*}(X)$, which is an element of $\mathcal{V}(\mathcal{K}^*)$, therefore:

$$Mod(Id(\mathcal{K}^*)) \subseteq \mathcal{V}(\mathcal{K}^*) = HSP(\mathcal{K}^*).$$

Finally we conclude:

$$\mathcal{V}(\mathcal{K}^*) = HSP(\mathcal{K}^*) = Mod(Id(\mathcal{K}^*)).$$

This proves the equality $=$ in the H,S,P,* theorem of Birkhoff, because \mathcal{K}^* is a (normal) variety of algebras if and only if $\mathcal{K}^* = HSP(\mathcal{K}^*)$, which follows from the well known inclusions below:

- (1) $SH(\mathcal{K}^*) \subseteq HS(\mathcal{K}^*);$
- (2) $PH(\mathcal{K}^*) \subseteq HP(\mathcal{K}^*);$
- (3) $PS(\mathcal{K}^*) \subseteq SP(\mathcal{K}^*);$

and the fact that $HSP(\mathcal{K}^*)$ is obviously closed under $*$ operation. \square

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