Pseudo effect algebras are algebras over bounded posets

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Abstract

We prove that there is a monadic adjunction between the category of bounded posets and the category of pseudo effect algebras.

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1. Introduction

In their 1994 paper [9], D.J. Foulis and M.K. Bennett defined effect algebras as (at that point in time) the most general version of quantum logics. Their motivating example was the set of all Hilbert space effects, a notion that plays an important role in quantum mechanics [22, 2]. An equivalent definition in terms of the difference operation was independently given by F. Kôpka and F. Chovanec in [20]. Later it turned out that both groups of authors rediscovered the definition given already in 1989 by R. Giuntini and H. Greuling in [12].

By the very definition, the class of effect algebras includes orthoalgebras [10], which include orthomodular posets and orthomodular lattices. It soon turned out [4] that there is another interesting subclass of effect algebras, namely MV-algebras defined by C.C. Chang in 1958 [3] to give the algebraic semantics of the Łukasiewicz logic. Furthermore, K. Ravindran in his thesis [25] proved that a certain subclass of effect algebras (effect algebras with the Riesz decomposition property) is equivalent with the class of partially ordered abelian groups with interpolation [14]. This result generalizes the equivalence of MV-algebras and lattice ordered abelian groups described by D. Mundici in [24].

In [19], Kalmbach proved the following theorem.

Theorem 1.1. Every bounded lattice L can be embedded into an orthomodular lattice K(L).

The proof of the theorem is constructive, K(L) is known under the name $Kalmbach\ extension$ or $Kalmbach\ embedding$. In [23], Mayet and Navara proved that Theorem 1.1 can be generalized: every bounded poset P can be embedded in an orthomodular poset K(P). In fact, as proved by Harding in [16], this K is then left adjoint to the forgetful functor from orthomodular posets to bounded posets. This adjunction gives rise to a monad on the category of bounded posets, which we call the $Kalmbach\ monad$.

For every monad (T, η, μ) on a category \mathcal{C} , there is a standard notion Eilenberg-Moore category \mathcal{C}^T (sometimes called the category of algebras or the category of modules for T). The category \mathcal{C}^T comes equipped with a canonical adjunction between \mathcal{C} and \mathcal{C}^T and this adjunction gives rise to the original monad T on \mathcal{C} . A functor equivalent to a right adjoint $\mathcal{C}^T \to \mathcal{C}$ is called monadic.

In [18] the author proved that the Eilenberg-Moore category for the Kalmbach monad is isomorphic to the category of effect algebras. In other words, the forgetful functor from the category of effect algebras to the category of bounded posets is monadic.

In [6], Dvurečenskij and Vetterlein introduced pseudo effect algebras, a non-commutative generalization of effect algebras. Many results known for effect algebras were successfully generalized to the non-commutative case, let us mention [5] generalizing some results from [17, 15] and [8] generalizing main results of [7].

In the present paper we continue this line of research. We generalize the main result of [18] by proving that the forgetful functor G from the category of pseudo effect algebras to the category of bounded posets is monadic. Unlike in [18], we shall not give an explicit description of the left adjoint associated with G. Since we use Beck's monadicity theorem, the proof we present here is shorter and simpler than the previous proof that covered only the commutative case.

2. Preliminaries

2.1. Bounded posets

A bounded poset is a structure $(P, \leq, 0, 1)$ such that \leq is a partial order on P and $0, 1 \in P$ are the bottom and the top elements of (P, \leq) , respectively.

Let P_1, P_2 be bounded posets. A map $\phi: P_1 \to P_2$ is a morphism of bounded posets if and only if it satisfies the following conditions.

- $\phi(1) = 1$ and $\phi(0) = 0$.
- ϕ is isotone.

The category of bounded posets is denoted by **BPos**.

2.2. Pseudo effect algebras

Definition 2.1. [6] A pseudo effect algebra is an algebra A with a partial binary operation + and two constants 0, 1 such that, for all $a, b, c \in A$.

- (PE1) If a + (b+c) exists, then (a+b) + c exists and a + (b+c) = (a+b) + c.
- (PE2) There is exactly one d and exactly one e such that a + d = e + a = 1.
- (PE3) If a + b exists, there are d, e such that d + a = b + e = a + b.
- (PE4) If a + 1 exists or 1 + a exists, then a = 0.

Every pseudo effect algebra can be equipped with a partial order given by the rule $a \le c$ if and only if there exists an element b such that a + b = c. In this partial order, 0 is the smallest and 1 is the greatest element, so every pseudo effect algebra is a bounded poset. A morphism $f: A \to B$ of pseudo effect algebras is a mapping such that f(0) = 0, f(1) = 1 and whenever a + bexists in A, f(a) + f(b) exists in B and f(a + b) = f(a) + f(b). The category of pseudo effect algebras is denoted by **PsEA**. Clearly, every morphism of effect algebra is a morphism of the associated bounded posets. A pseudo effect algebra is an effect algebra [9, 12] if and only if it is commutative.

Every closed interval [0, u] in the positive cone of a partially ordered (not necessarily abelian) group gives rise to an *interval pseudo effect algebra* [6, Section 2]. It is well-known that the set of all automorphisms of a poset equipped with composition and a partial order defined pointwise forms a partially ordered group [13, Example 1.3.19]. Using these facts, it is easy to construct examples of non-commutative pseudo effect algebras:

Example 2.2. Let E be the set of all strictly increasing functions (in other words, order-automorphisms of the poset \mathbb{R}) from \mathbb{R} to \mathbb{R} such that, for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $x \leq f(x) \leq 2x$. Put $\mathbf{0} := \mathrm{id}_{\mathbb{R}}$ and $\mathbf{1} := (x \mapsto 2x)$. For $f, g \in E$, define f+g if and only if $f \circ g \in E$ and then put $f+g=f \circ g$. Then $(E,+,\mathbf{0},\mathbf{1})$ is a non-commutative pseudo effect algebra.

2.3. Pseudo D-posets

For our purposes, the axioms of pseudo effect algebras are not very handy. Rather that working with the partial operation +, it will be easier to start with a bounded poset and then to work with partial differences / and \, defined for every pair of comparable elements on a poset.

Definition 2.3. [26] A pseudo D-poset is a bounded poset $(A, \leq, 0, 1)$ with the smallest element 0 and the greatest element 1, equipped with two partial operations / and \, such that b/a and $b \setminus a$ are defined if and only if $a \leq b$ and, for all $a, b, c \in A$, the following conditions are satisfied.

- (PD1) For any $a \in A$, $a/0 = a \setminus 0 = a$.
- (PD2) If $a \le b \le c$, then $c/b \le c/a$ and $c \setminus b \le c \setminus a$, and we have $(c/a) \setminus (c/b) = b/a$ and $(c \setminus a)/(c \setminus b) = b \setminus a$.

A pseudo D-poset is a D-poset [20] iff the partial operations / and \ coincide.

A morphism of pseudo D-posets is a morphism of bounded posets $f: A \to B$ such that, for all $a, b \in A$, f(a/b) = f(a)/f(b) and $f(a \setminus b) = f(a) \setminus f(b)$. The category of pseudo D-posets is denoted by **PsDPos**. Clearly, there is a forgetful functor $G: \mathbf{PsDPos} \to \mathbf{BPos}$.

Let A be a pseudo D-poset. A subset $B \subseteq A$ is a subalgebra of A if and only if $0, 1 \in A$ and for all $a, b \in B$ such that $a \leq b$, the elements a/b and $a \setminus b$ belong to B.

Generalizing the well-known fact that every effect algebra is a D-poset and vice versa, it was proved by Yun, Yongmin, and Maoyin in [26] that every pseudo effect algebra is equivalent to a pseudo D-poset. Explicitly, if $(A, \setminus, /)$ is a pseudo D-poset, then we may define a partial binary operation + on A so that a+b is defined and equals c if and only if $b \le c$ and c/b = a if and only if $a \le c$ and $c \setminus a = b$. Then (A, +, 0, 1) is an effect algebra. On the other hand, whenever (A, +, 0, 1) is a pseudo effect algebra then for every $a \le c$ we may define c/a and $c \setminus a$ by the rule $a + (c/a) = (c \setminus a) + a = c$. Moreover, these two constructions are mutually inverse. That means that the categories **PsEA** and **PsDPos** are isomorphic.

Proposition 2.4. The category PsDPos is small-complete.

Proof. It is easy to check that a product of every family of pseudo D-posets can be constructed as a product of underlying bounded posets, the partial

operation \ and \ are then defined pointwise. For a parallel pair of morphisms $f, g: A \to B$ in **PsDPos**, their equalizer is the inclusion of a subalgebra $E = \{x \in A: f(x) = g(x)\}$ into A. Since **PsDPos** has all products and all equalizers, it has all small limits.

2.4. General adjoint functor theorem

Adjoint functor theorems give conditions under which a continuous functor G has a left adjoint F. This allows us to avoid construction of the functor F, which is sometimes a difficult endeavor.

Theorem 2.5. [11][21, Theorem V.6.2] Given a locally small, small-complete category \mathcal{D} , a functor $G \colon \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{C}$ is a right adjoint if and only if G preserves small limits and satisfies the following

Solution Set Condition: for each object X of C there is a set I and an I-indexed family of arrows $h_i \colon X \to G(A_i)$ such that every arrow $h \colon X \to G(A)$ can be written as a composite $h = G(j) \circ h_i$ for some $j \colon A_i \to A$.

2.5. Beck's monadicity theorem

A functor $G: \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{C}$ is *monadic* if and only if it is equivalent to the forgetful functor from the category of algebras \mathcal{C}^T to \mathcal{C} for a monad T on \mathcal{C} . A colimit (or a limit) in a category \mathcal{C} is *absolute* if and only if it is preserved by every functor with domain \mathcal{C} .

Theorem 2.6. [1][21, Theorem VI.7.1] A functor $G: \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{C}$ is monadic if and only if G is a right adjoint and G creates coequalizers for those parallel pairs $f, g: A \to B$ in \mathcal{D} , for which

$$G(A) \xrightarrow{G(f)} G(B)$$

has an absolute coequalizer in C.

Beck's monadicity theorem is a device that allows us to prove that a functor is monadic without having to explicitly describe the monad T on \mathcal{C} arising from the adjunction, describe its category of algebras \mathcal{C}^T and to prove that \mathcal{C}^T is equivalent to \mathcal{D} .

3. The result

Theorem 3.1. The forgetful functor $G: \mathbf{PsDPos} \to \mathbf{BPos}$ is monadic.

Proof. Let us apply Theorem 2.5 to prove G is a right adjoint. By Proposition 2.4, **PsDPos** is small-complete. It is easy to check that G preserves all small limits, since pseudo D-posets are algebraic structures; the partiality of the operations is not a problem here. Let us check the Solution Set Condition. Let P be a bounded poset. Let \mathcal{W}_P be a set of bounded posets such that for every bounded poset W' with $\operatorname{card}(P) \leq \operatorname{card}(W') \leq \max(\operatorname{card}(P), \aleph_0)$, there is a $W \in \mathcal{W}_P$ such that W is isomorphic to W'. Consider the family $\mathcal{H}_P = \{h_i\}_{i\in I}$ of all **BPos**-morphisms $h_i \colon P \to G(A_i)$, where A_i is a pseudo D-poset and $G(A_i) \in \mathcal{Q}_P$. For every **BPos**-morphism $h \colon P \to G(A)$, the cardinality of the subalgebra B of A that is generated by the range of h is bounded below by $\operatorname{card}(P)$ and above by $\max(\operatorname{card}(P), \aleph_0)$. Write $j \colon B \to A$ for the embedding of the subalgebra B into A. Clearly, $h = G(j) \circ h_i$ for some $h_i \in M$. Since G preserves small limits and the Solution Set Condition is satisfied, G is a right adjoint.

We have proved that G is a right adjoint, so we may apply Theorem 2.6. Let A, B be pseudo D-posets, let $f, g: A \to B$ be morphisms of pseudo D-posets. Suppose that

$$G(A) \xrightarrow{G(f)} G(B) \xrightarrow{q} Q$$
 (1)

is an absolute coequalizer. Assuming this, we need to prove that there is a unique morphism of pseudo D-posets $q' \colon B \to Q'$ such that

$$A \xrightarrow{f} B \xrightarrow{q'} Q' \tag{2}$$

is a coequalizer in **PsDPos** and Q = G(Q'), q = G(q'). Let us prove that such q' exists. We use the fact that (1) is an absolute coequalizer to equip the bounded poset Q with a structure of a pseudo D-poset. Then we prove that q comes from a morphism of pseudo D-posets. Finally, we prove that this morphism of pseudo D-posets is a coequalizer of f, g in **PsDPos**.

For every poset P, let us write I(P) for the set of comparable pairs $\{(a,b) \in P \times P : a \leq b\}$ and partially order I(P) by the rule $(a,b) \leq (c,d)$ if and only if $c \leq a \leq b \leq d$. Note that the elements of I(P) can be identified

with closed intervals of P, ordered by inclusion. We shall write $[a \leq b]$ for the element (a, b) of I(P). The construction $P \mapsto I(P)$ can be made into a functor $\mathbf{Pos} \to \mathbf{Pos}$ by the rule $I(f)([a \leq b]) = [f(a) \leq f(b)]$.

In what follows, we write $U \colon \mathbf{BPos} \to \mathbf{Pos}$ for the obviously defined forgetful functor from bounded posets to posets. Note that, for every pseudo D-poset X, the partial operation / can be described as an isotone map $/_X \colon IUG(X) \to UG(X)$: for every $[a \le b] \in IUG(X)$, $/_X([a \le b]) = a/b$.

Moreover, for every morphism of pseudo D-posets $h: X \to Y$, the squares

$$IUG(X) \xrightarrow{IUG(h)} IUG(Y) \qquad IUG(X) \xrightarrow{IUG(h)} IUG(Y) \qquad (3)$$

$$/_{X} \downarrow \qquad \downarrow /_{Y} \qquad \downarrow_{X} \downarrow \qquad \downarrow_{Y}$$

$$UG(X) \xrightarrow{UG(h)} UG(Y) \qquad UG(X) \xrightarrow{UG(h)} UG(Y)$$

commute. Indeed, this is just a reformulation of the assumption that h is a morphism of pseudo D-posets. Therefore, the families of **Pos**-morphisms

$$(/X)_{X \in ob(\mathbf{PsDPos})}$$
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form a pair of natural transformations from functor $IUG: \mathbf{PsDPos} \to \mathbf{Pos}$ to functor $UG: \mathbf{PsDPos} \to \mathbf{Pos}$. Thus, both / and \ are morphisms in the category of functors $[\mathbf{PsDPos}, \mathbf{Pos}]$ with source IUG and target UG.

Let us focus on the partial operation / (or, as explained in the previous paragraph, a natural transformation /). Consider the diagram

$$IUG(A) \xrightarrow{IUG(f)} IUG(B) \xrightarrow{IU(q)} IU(Q)$$

$$/A \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow /B \qquad \qquad \downarrow /$$

$$UG(A) \xrightarrow{UG(f)} UG(B) \xrightarrow{U(q)} U(Q)$$

$$UG(Q) \downarrow /B \qquad \qquad \downarrow /$$

$$UG(Q) \downarrow /$$

Since f, g in diagram (1) are morphisms of pseudo D-posets, the naturality of / implies that both the f and g left-hand squares in (4) commute. Since the coequalizer (1) is absolute, both the top and the bottom rows in (4) are coequalizers in **Pos**. From the commutativity of both f and g left-hand squares and from the fact that the bottom row is a coequalizer, it follows that the morphism $U(q) \circ /_B : IUG(B) \to U(Q)$ coequalizes the top pair of

parallel arrows. Indeed,

$$U(q) \circ /_{B} \circ IUG(f) = U(q) \circ UG(f) \circ /_{A}$$
$$= U(q) \circ UG(g) \circ /_{A}$$
$$= U(q) \circ /_{B} \circ IUG(g).$$

Since the top row in (4) is a coequalizer, there is a unique arrow $/: IU(Q) \to U(Q)$ making the right square commute. Note that, actually, we equipped the bounded poset Q with a partial binary operation /, that is defined for all comparable pairs of elements of Q. In an analogous way, we may define a partial operation \backslash on Q.

Let us prove that these partial operations on Q satisfy the axioms of a pseudo D-poset. For every bounded poset P, let $[0 \le _]_P$ denote the mapping from U(P) to IU(P) given by the rule $x \mapsto [0 \le x]$. It is easy to see that this $ob(\mathbf{BPos})$ -indexed family of arrows forms a natural transformation from U to IU. Moreover, the / half of (PD1) is equivalent with the fact that, for every pseudo D-poset X, the diagram

$$UG(X) \xrightarrow{[0 \le _]_{G(X)}} IUG(X)$$

$$UG(X)$$

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commutes, so we see that $/ \circ ([0 \le _] * G) = \mathrm{id}_{UG}$ in the category of functors $[\mathbf{PsDPos}, \mathbf{Pos}]$. Similarly, $/ \circ ([0 \le _] * G) = \mathrm{id}_{UG}$.

To prove that the partial operation / on Q satisfies (PD1), consider the diagram

$$UG(A) \xrightarrow{UG(f)} UG(B) \xrightarrow{U(q)} U(Q)$$

$$[0 \le _]_{G(A)} \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow [0 \le _]_{G(B)} \downarrow [0 \le _]_{Q}$$

$$IUG(A) \xrightarrow{IUG(f)} IUG(B) \xrightarrow{IU(q)} IU(Q)$$

$$/_{A} \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow /_{B} \qquad \qquad \downarrow /$$

$$UG(A) \xrightarrow{UG(f)} UG(B) \xrightarrow{U(q)} U(Q)$$

By the commutativity of (5), we see that the left and middle verticals in (6) compose to $id_{UG(A)}$ and $id_{UG(B)}$, respectively. Merging the vertical

squares gives us the diagram

$$UG(A) \xrightarrow{UG(f)} UG(B) \xrightarrow{U(q)} U(Q)$$

$$id_{UG(A)} \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow id_{UG(B)} \qquad \qquad \downarrow / \circ [0 \le _]_Q$$

$$UG(A) \xrightarrow{UG(f)} UG(B) \xrightarrow{U(q)} U(Q)$$

$$(7)$$

Note that if we replace the rightmost vertical arrow in (7) by $\mathrm{id}_{U(Q)}$, the diagram still commutes. However, by an analogous argument we have used to define / on Q, the rightmost vertical arrow in (7) is unique. Therefore, $/ \circ [0 \le _] = \mathrm{id}_{U(Q)}$, that means, for all $x \in Q$, x/0 = x. The other half of (PD1) follows similarly.

Let us prove (PD2). For every poset P, let J(P) be a poset consisting of all comparable triples $[x \le y \le z]$ of P, partially ordered by the rule

$$[x_1 \le y_1 \le z_1] \le [x_2 \le y_2 \le z_2]$$

$$\updownarrow$$

$$x_2 \le x_1 \text{ and } y_1 \le y_2 \text{ and } z_1 = z_2.$$

For every morphism of posets $f \colon P \to Q$, let us define $J(f) \colon J(P) \to J(Q)$ pointwise:

$$J(f)([x \le y \le z]) = [f(x) \le f(y) \le f(z)].$$

Obviously, $J : \mathbf{Pos} \to \mathbf{Pos}$ is a functor.

For every bounded poset P, let $\alpha_P \colon JU(P) \to IIU(P)$ be a map given by the rule $\alpha_P([x \le y \le z]) = [[y \le z] \le [x \le z]]$ and let $\beta_P \colon JU(P) \to IU(P)$ be a map given by the rule $\beta_P([x \le y \le z]) = [x \le y]$. Note that both maps α_P and β_P are isotone. Moreover, the families α and β indexed by the objects of **BPos** form natural transformations $\alpha \colon JU \to IIU$ and $\beta \colon JU \to IU$.

We may now express one half of the (PD2) axiom by a commutative diagram; for every pseudo D-poset X the diagram

$$JUG(X) \xrightarrow{\beta_{G(X)}} IUG(X)$$

$$\alpha_{G(X)} \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow/X$$

$$IIUG(X) \xrightarrow{I(/X)} IUG(X) \xrightarrow{\backslash X} UG(X)$$
(8)

commutes. Indeed, chasing an element $[x \le y \le z] \in JUG(X)$ around (8) gives us

$$[x \leq y \leq z] \xrightarrow{\beta_{G(X)}} [x \leq y] \qquad (9)$$

$$\alpha_{G(X)} \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow/X$$

$$[[y \leq z] \leq [x \leq z]] \xrightarrow{I(/X)} [(z/y) \leq (z/x)] \xrightarrow{\backslash X} (z/y) \backslash (z/x) = (y/x)$$

This shows that, in the category of functors [**PsDPos**, **Pos**], $/ \circ (\beta * G) = \langle \circ (I*/) \circ \alpha$. We may now give a similar argument as we did to prove (PD1) that the partial operations /, \backslash on Q satisfy the (PD2) axiom.

We have proved that the partial operations / and \ we defined on Q satisfy the axioms of a pseudo D-poset. In other words, there is a pseudo D-poset Q' such that Q = G(Q'). Moreover, the morphism $q: U(B) \to Q = U(Q')$ of bounded posets preserves /, since the right-hand square of (4) commutes. Since q preserves \ as well, we see that q = U(q') for a morphism of pseudo D-posets $q': B \to Q'$. With this fact in mind, we may now observe that the diagram (4) and its \-twin mean that $q' \circ f = q' \circ g$ in **PsDPos** and since the pseudo D-poset structure on Q arising from those diagrams is unique, we see that Q' is unique. Uniqueness of q' follows from the fact that G is a faithful functor.

Let us prove that q' is a coequalizer of the pair f,g in **PsDPos**. Let $h: B \to C$ be a morphism of pseudo D-posets such that $h \circ f = h \circ g$. Since the diagram (1) is a coequalizer, there is a unique morphism of bounded posets $e: G(Q) \to G(C)$ such that $e \circ G(q') = e \circ q = G(h)$. It remains to prove that this e preserves the partial operations / and \backslash on Q. Consider the diagram

$$IUG(B) \xrightarrow{IU(q)} IU(Q) \xrightarrow{IU(e)} IUG(C)$$

$$/B \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow / \qquad \qquad \downarrow / c$$

$$UG(B) \xrightarrow{U(q)} U(Q) \xrightarrow{U(e)} UG(C)$$

$$(10)$$

We need to prove that the right-hand square of (10) commutes. By the commutativity of the diagram (4), we already know that the left hand square of (10) commutes. As $G(h) = e \circ G(q')$ and h is a morphism of pseudo D-posets, the outer square of (10) commutes. Therefore,

$$U(e) \circ U(q) \circ /_B = /_C \circ IU(e) \circ IU(q) = U(e) \circ / \circ IU(q)$$

Since the top row in (4) is a coequalizer, IU(q) is a coequalizer and thus an epimorphism. This implies that $/_{C} \circ IU(e) = U(e) \circ /$ and we see that the right-hand square of (10) commutes.

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