





The following proposition states that the set of filters of an equality algebra coincide with the set of (BCK-algebra) filters of its underlying BCK-algebra.

**Proposition 3** *Let  $\mathcal{E} = \langle E, \sim, \wedge, \mathbf{1} \rangle$  be an equality algebra.  $F \in \text{Fil}(\mathcal{E})$  iff for all  $a, b \in E$ ,*

$$(i') \mathbf{1} \in F,$$

$$(ii') a, a \rightarrow b \in F \Rightarrow b \in F$$

holds.

**Proposition 4** *If  $\mathcal{E}$  is an equality algebra and  $F \in \text{Fil}(\mathcal{E})$  then  $\Theta_F \in \text{Con}(\mathcal{E})$  and  $\Theta_F = \Theta_{\overline{F}}$ .*

**Lemma 5** *For  $\Theta \in \text{Con}(\mathcal{E})$  we have  $(a, b) \in \Theta$  iff  $(a \sim b, \mathbf{1}) \in \Theta$*

The next theorem establishes a connection between  $\text{Fil}(\mathcal{E})$  and  $\text{Con}(\mathcal{E})$ .

**Theorem 6** *Let  $\mathcal{E} = \langle E, \sim, \wedge, \mathbf{1} \rangle$  be an equality algebra,  $\Theta, \Psi \in \text{Con}(\mathcal{E})$ ,  $F \in \text{Fil}(\mathcal{E})$ . Then*

$$(a) [\mathbf{1}]_{\Theta} \in \text{Fil}(\mathcal{E}), \text{ where } [\mathbf{1}]_{\Theta} = \{a \mid (a, \mathbf{1}) \in \Theta\},$$

$$(b) \Theta_{[\mathbf{1}]_{\Theta}} = \Theta,$$

$$(c) [\mathbf{1}]_{\Theta_F} = F,$$

$$(d) \text{ (1-regularity) if } [\mathbf{1}]_{\Theta} = [\mathbf{1}]_{\Psi}, \text{ then } \Theta = \Psi.$$

**Lemma 7** *The variety of equality algebras is congruence permutable and congruence distributive.*

**Remark 8** Every variety in which (E3), (E4), and (b) (or (E7) and (E2) instead of (b)) holds is congruence permutable. The term  $m(x, y, z) = ((x \sim y) \sim z) \wedge ((y \sim z) \sim x)$ . testifies it.

Summing up, we have obtained that

**Theorem 9** *The variety of equality algebras is a 1-regular, arithmetical variety.*

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