SOME RESULTS ON NOETHERIAN AND ARTINIAN BL-ALGEBRAS

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In this paper, we obtain some relations between Noetherian and Artinian BL-algebras. Further, we derive some theorems and lemmas for composition series, Artinian BL-algebras, as well as the relations between Noetherian, Artinian and short exact sequences. We further study the Noetherian and Artinian over homomorphism BL-algebras and obtain some new results concerning to the essential deductive systems of BL-algebras.

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1. INTRODUCTION

BL-algebras are the algebraic structures for Hájek [3] basic logic in order to investigate many-valued logic by algebraic means. He provided an algebraic counterpart of a propositional logic, called Basic Logic, which embodies a fragment common to some of the most important many-valued logics, namely Lukasiewicz Logic, Gödel Logic and Product Logic [1]. This Basic Logic (BL for short) is proposed as the most general many-valued logic with truth values in interval $[0, 1]$ and BL-algebras are the corresponding Lindenbaum Tarski algebras. Also, he provided an algebraic mean to study continuous t-norms (or triangular norms) in $[0, 1]$, [3]. The language of propositional Hájek basic logic (1998) contains the binary connectives $\circ$ and $\Rightarrow$ and the constant $\bar{0}$. Axioms of BL are given as:

$$(A1) (\varphi \Rightarrow \psi) \Rightarrow ((\psi \Rightarrow w) \Rightarrow (\varphi \Rightarrow w)).$$

$$(A2) (\varphi o \psi) \Rightarrow \varphi.$$

$$(A3) (\varphi o \psi) \Rightarrow (\psi o \varphi).$$

$$(A4) (\varphi o (\psi \Rightarrow \varphi)) \Rightarrow (\psi o (\psi \Rightarrow \varphi)).$$

$$(A5a) (\varphi \Rightarrow (\psi \Rightarrow w)) \Rightarrow ((\varphi o \psi) \Rightarrow w).$$

$$(A5b) ((\varphi o \psi) \Rightarrow w) \Rightarrow (\varphi \Rightarrow (\psi \Rightarrow w)).$$

$$(A6) ((\varphi \Rightarrow \psi) \Rightarrow w) \Rightarrow ((\psi \Rightarrow \varphi) \Rightarrow w) \Rightarrow w).$$

$$(A7) \bar{0} \Rightarrow w.$$

Hájek [3] introduced the concepts of filters and prime filters in BL-algebras. From logical point of view, filters correspond to sets of provable formula. E. Turunen studied some properties of filters theory, which plays important role in studying logical algebras. He showed how BL-algebras can be studied by deductive systems. Deductive systems correspond to subsets closed with respect to Modus Ponens and they are called filters, too. Motamed and Moghaderi [6], introduced the notions of Noetherian and Artinian on BL-algebras. They obtained some equivalent definitions of Noetherian and Artinian BL-algebras and proved the Anderson and Cohen Theorems of rings theory in BL-algebra. The same authors also introduced the short exact sequences in BL-algebras. In this paper, we obtain some new results following [6].

The structure of the paper is as follows. In Section 2, we recall some definitions and results about BL-algebras that we will use in the sequel. In Section 3, we define the notion of Noetherian and Artinian BL-algebras and we drive some results about the relations between Noetherian and Artinian, composition series, radical of a BL-algebra, finitely generated filters, short exact sequences and essential deductive systems in BL-algebras.

2. PRELIMINARIES

In this section, we recall and review some definitions and results relevant to Noetherian (Artinian), composition series, short exact sequence BL-algebra, which will be used throughout of the paper.

An algebra $(A, \wedge, \vee, \odot, \longrightarrow, 0, 1)$ of the type $(2, 2, 2, 2, 0, 0)$ is called a BL-algebra if for all $a, b, c \in A$ satisfy the following axioms:

$$(BL1) (A, \wedge, \vee, 0, 1) \text{ is a bounded lattice.}$$

$$(BL2) (A, \odot, 1) \text{ is a commutative monoid.}$$

$$(BL3) \odot \text{ and } \longrightarrow \text{ form an adjoint pair, i.e., } c \leq a \longrightarrow b \text{ if and only if } a \odot c \leq b.$$

$$(BL4) \ a \wedge b = a \odot (a \longrightarrow b).$$

$$(BL5) \ (a \longrightarrow b) \vee (b \longrightarrow a) = 1.$$

We will denote $\bar{x} = x \longrightarrow 0$ and $x^{--} = (\bar{x})^-$, for all $x \in A$.

Examples of BL-algebras [3] are t-algebras $([0, 1], \wedge, \vee, \odot, \longrightarrow, 0, 1)$ where $([0, 1], \wedge, \vee, 0, 1)$ is the usual lattice on $[0, 1]$ and $\odot$, is a continuous t-norm, whereas $\longrightarrow$, is the corresponding residuum.

Throughout of this paper by A , we denote the universe of a BL-algebra.

A BL-algebra is nontrivial if $0 \neq 1$. For any BL-algebra A , the reduct $L(A) = (A, \wedge, \vee, 0, 1)$ is a bounded distributive lattice. We denote the set of natural numbers by $\mathbb{N}$ and define $a^0=1$ and $a^n = a^{n-1} \odot a$, for $n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$.

Hájek [3] defined a filter of a BL-algebra A to be a nonempty subset F of A such that (i) if $a, b \in F$ implies $a \odot b \in F$ (ii) if $a \in F$, $a \leq b$ then $b \in F$. E. Turunen [8] defined a deductive system of a BL-algebra A to be a nonempty subset D of A such that (i) $1 \in D$ and (ii) $x \in D$ and $x \longrightarrow y \in D$ imply $y \in D$. Note that a subset F of a BL-algebra A is a deductive system of A if and only if F is a filter of A [8]. Let F be a filter of a BL-algebra A , then F is proper filter if $F \neq A$.

A proper filter P of A is called a prime filter of A if for all $x, y \in A$, $x \vee y \in P$ implies $x \in P$ or $y \in P$. A proper filter P of A is prime if and only if P can not be expressed as an intersection of two filters properly containing P or equivalently, for all $x, y \in A$, either $x \longrightarrow y \in P$ or $y \longrightarrow x \in P$ [8].

If F, G and P are filters of A , then P is a prime filter of A if and only if $F \cap G \subseteq P$ implies $F \subseteq P$ or $G \subseteq P$.

In [8], it can be seen that a proper filter M of A is a maximal filter of A if and only if for all $x \notin M$, there exists $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $(x^n)^- \in M$. Every maximal filter of A is a prime filter of A [8].

The set of all filters, all prime filters of a BL-algebra A and all maximal filters of a BL-algebra A are denote by $F(A)$, $Spec(A)$ and $Max(A)$, respectively. The filter of A generated by X is denoted by $\langle X \rangle$, where $X \subseteq A$, in which $\langle \emptyset \rangle = \{1\}$ and $\langle X \rangle = \{a \in A : x_1 \odot x_2 \odot \dots \odot x_n \leq a, \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in X\}$ [5,8].

$F \in F(A)$ is called a finitely generated filter, if $F = \langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$, for some $x_1, \dots, x_n \in A$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$. For $F \in F(A)$ and $x \in A \setminus F$, define $F \langle x \rangle = \langle F \cup \{x\} \rangle$ or equally $F \langle x \rangle = \{a \in A : a \geq f \odot x^n, \text{ for some } f \in F, \text{ and } n \geq 1.\}$

Remark 2.1 : [2]. Let F and G be two filters of A such that $F \subseteq G$. It is evident that $\frac{G}{F}$ is a

filter of $\frac{A}{F}$. Since G is a filter, then it can be easily shown that $\frac{a}{F} \in \frac{G}{F}$ if and only if $a \in G$. Hence, $F(\frac{A}{F}) = \{\frac{H}{F} : H \in F(A), F \subseteq H\}$.

Theorem 2.2 — [8]. *Each maximal filter F of a distributive lattice A is a prime filter.*

Definition 2.3 — [8]. Let A and B be two BL-algebras. A map $f : A \longrightarrow B$ defined on A , is called a BL-homomorphism if, for all $x, y \in A$, $f(x \longrightarrow y) = f(x) \longrightarrow f(y)$, $f(x \odot y) = f(x) \odot f(y)$ and $f(0_A) = 0_B$. Also, define $\ker(f) = \{a \in A : f(a) = 1\}$ and $Im(f) = \{f(a) : a \in A\}$.

Definition 2.4 — [9]. Let F be a filter of BL-algebra A . By an F -chain we mean a sequence $\{F_i \mid i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ of filters of A such that

$$\{1\} = F_0 \subset F_1 \subset F_2 \subset \dots \subset F_{n-1} \subset F_n = F,$$

where $\subset$ is a strict inclusion, and n indicates the length of this chain. An F -chain $\{F_i : i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ is called a composition series for F if F_i is covered by F_{i+1} , for any $0 \leq i \leq n-1$, in ordered set $(F(A), \subseteq)$, i.e., $\{F_i : i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ is a maximal F -chain. We denote the smallest length of a composition series for F by $L(F)$ and if F has no composition series, $L(F) = \infty$. It is clear that in any BL-algebra, $L(\{1\}) = 0$

Theorem 2.5 — [6]. *Let A be an Artinian BL-algebra. Then $Max(A)$ is a finite set.*

Definition 2.6 — [6]. A BL-algebra A is called Noetherian (Artinian), if for every increasing (decreasing) chain of its filters $F_1 \subseteq F_2 \subseteq \dots$ ($F_1 \supseteq F_2 \supseteq \dots$), there exists $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $F_i = F_n$, for all $i \geq n$.

Theorem 2.7 — [6]. *Let A be a BL-algebra, A is a Noetherian BL-algebra if and only if every filter of A is finitely generated.*

Lemma 2.8 — [9]. Let F and G be two filters of A such that $F \subseteq G$. Then the followings are equivalent:

- (i) F is covered by G .
- (ii) $\langle F \cup \{x\} \rangle = G$, for any $x \in G - F$.
- (iii) $\langle x/F \rangle = G/F$, for any $x \in G - F$.

Proposition 2.9 — [9]. Let F and G be two filters of BL-algebra A such that $F \subset G$ and G has a composition series, then $L(F) < L(G)$.

Theorem 2.10 — [9]. *Let F be a filter of A such that $L(F) = n$, for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then length of any composition series for F is n .*

Definition 2.11 — [2]. The intersection of all maximal filters of a BL-Algebra A is called radical of A and denoted by $Rad(A)$.

Definition 2.12 — [6]. Let A_1, A_2, A_3 be BL-algebras. A sequence $1 \longrightarrow A_1 \xrightarrow{\varphi} A_2 \xrightarrow{\Psi} A_3 \longrightarrow 1$ is called a short exact sequence of BL-algebras, if φ is a one to one homomorphism, Ψ is an onto homomorphism and $\ker \Psi = Im(\varphi)$. Also, by [9], let A_1, A_2, A_3 be BL-algebras and $\varphi : A_1 \longrightarrow A_2$ and $\psi : A_2 \longrightarrow A_3$ be two homomorphism. By a weak exact sequence of BL-algebra we mean a sequence $A_1 \xrightarrow{\varphi} A_2 \xrightarrow{\Psi} A_3$ of BL-algebras such that $\ker(\psi) \subseteq Im(\varphi)$.

Theorem 2.13 — [9]. Let A_1, A_2, A_3 be BL-algebras and $A_1 \xrightarrow{\varphi} A_2 \xrightarrow{\Psi} A_3$ be a weak exact sequence such that φ is one to one and Ψ is onto. Then A_2 is Noetherian (Artinian) BL-algebra if and only if A_1 and A_3 are Noetherian (Artinian).

Lemma 2.14 — [6]. Let A be a Noetherian (Artinian) BL-algebra and $F \in F(A)$. Then $\frac{A}{F}$ is a Noetherian (Artinian) BL-algebra.

Theorem 2.15 — [6]. Let A be a BL-algebra. Then A is a Artinian BL-algebra if and only if every non-empty set of filters of A has a minimal element.

Definition 2.16 — [4]. Let A be a BL-Algebra. A proper deductive system of A is called essential if $D \cap E \neq \{1\}$, for any deductive system $E \neq \{1\}$ of A . In particular, for an essential deductive system D , $D \neq \{1\}$.

From [7, 8], for any non-void subset B of a BL-algebra A , a set ${}^\perp B = \{x \in B \mid b \vee x = 1, \text{ for all } b \in A\}$ is called co-annihilator of B and if D is an essential deductive system of A , then ${}^\perp D$ is a proper deductive system of A . Therefore, by Proposition 20 of [7], $D \cap {}^\perp D = \{1\}$, hence ${}^\perp D = \{1\}$.

3. NOETHERIAN AND ARTINIAN ON BL-ALGEBRAS

In this section, regarding to the definitions of Noetherian (Artinian), composition series, and short sequence BL-algebra and using above mentioned theorems, we drive theorems and obtain results of one to one, onto, and finitely generated BL-algebra, in a short exact sequence of BL-algebras and obtain the relation between Noetherian, Artinian, composition series, and short exact sequences of BL-algebras.

Corollary 3.1 — From [6], we conclude that, if A be a BL-algebra, then the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) A is a Noetherian BL-algebra.
- (ii) every collection of filters of A has a maximal element.

(iii) every filter of A is finitely generated.

PROOF : (i) $\implies$ (ii) Let $\{F_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a collection of filters of A . If F_{i_1} has no maximal element, hence there exists F_{i_2} such that $F_{i_1} \subset F_{i_2}$ and if F_{i_2} has no maximal element, so there exists F_{i_3} such that, $F_{i_2} \subset F_{i_3}$. If we continue this procedure, we get $F_{i_1} \subset F_{i_2} \subset F_{i_3} \subset \dots$, which is a contradiction, so $\{F_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ has a maximal element.

(ii) $\implies$ (i) Let every collection of filters of A has a maximal element, and let $F_1 \subseteq F_2 \subseteq \dots$ be an increasing chain of filters of A . Let $B = \{F_i : i \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be a nonempty set of filters of A . Since B has a maximal element like F_n , so for all $i \geq n$, $F_i = F_n$. Hence A is a Noetherian BL-algebra (similarly for Artinian BL-algebra).

(i) $\implies$ (iii) Let A be a Noetherian BL-algebra and F be a filter of A which is not finitely generated and $a_1 \in F$. If $\langle a_1 \rangle \not\subseteq F$, then there exists $a_2 \in F$ such that $a_2 \notin \langle a_1 \rangle$, hence $\langle a_1 \rangle \subset \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle$. If one continues this procedure, can get $\langle a_1 \rangle \subset \langle a_1, a_2 \rangle \subset \langle a_1, a_2, a_3 \rangle \subset \dots$, then the above chain is nonstop and this is a contradiction. Therefore, F is finitely generated filter of A .

(iii) $\implies$ (i) Let $F_1 \subseteq F_2 \subseteq \dots \subseteq F_n \subseteq \dots$ be an increasing chain of filters of A , so $B = \cup_{i=1}^{\infty} F_i$ is a filter of A . Since B is finitely generated, we have $\cup_{i=1}^k F_i = \langle a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k \rangle$, whereas, for all $i \neq j$, $a_i \in F_k$, $a_j \in F_k$, $a_j \in F_m$. Thus, there exist F_n such that $\langle a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k \rangle \subseteq F_n = F_{n+1}$. Therefore, there exists $m \in \mathbb{N}$ and there exist $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k \in F_m$, such that, $F_m = F_{m+1} = \dots$, hence A is a Noetherian BL-algebra.

Theorem 3.2 — Let A be a BL-algebra and F be a filter of A which has a composition series and $L(F) = n$, then every strict chain of F has $\leq n$ terms.

PROOF : Let $\{1\} = \dot{G}_0 \subset \dot{G}_1 \subset \dots \subset \dot{G}_{k-1} \subset \dot{G}_k = G$, be an strict chain of filters of F , then $0 = L\{1\} = L(\dot{G}_0) \subset L(\dot{G}_1) \subset \dots \subset L(\dot{G}_{k-1}) \subset L(\dot{G}_k) = L(G)$, hence $L(G) \geq k$ and if $G \subset F$. Define $n \leq k$, by Proposition 2.9, we have $L(G) < L(F)$, then $k \leq n$, hence $k = n$.

Theorem 3.3 — Let A be a BL-algebra and F be a filter of A which has a composition series and $L(F) = n$. Then every strict chain of length n is a composition series.

PROOF : Let $\{1\} = F_0 \subset F_1 \subset \dots \subset F_{i-1} \subset F_i \subset \dots \subset F_n = F$ be an F -chain (strict chain) which is not composition series. This means that, there exists $i \in \mathbb{N}$ such that F_{i-1} is not covered by F_i . So there exists $K_i \neq \{1\}$ such that $F_{i-1} \subset K_i \subset F_i$. Then we have $\{1\} = F_0 \subset F_1 \subset \dots \subset F_{i-1} \subset K_i \subset F_i \subset \dots \subset F_n = F$, with length equal to $(n + 1)$. This contradicts Theorem 2.7, so this F -chain is a compositions series.

Proposition 3.4 — Let A be a BL-algebra and F be a filter of A which has a composition series

of length n . Then every strict chain of filter F can be extended to a composition series.

PROOF : Let $\{1\} = F_0 \subset F_1 \subset F_2 \subset \dots \subset F_m = F$ be an strict chain of filter F . If $m = n$, then this strict chain is composition series. If $m < n$ then this chain is not composition series because by Theorem 2.10, any two composition series have the same length. So there exists $i \in \mathbb{N}$ such that, $H_i \neq \{1\}$ which, $F_{i-1} \subset H_i \subset F_i$, hence we have $\{1\} = F_0 \subset F_1 \subset \dots \subset F_{i-1} \subset H_i \subset F_i = F$, this chain has length $(m + 1)$. By continuing this process, we get a chain and finally by adding $(n - m)$ new terms, we get $(n - m) + m = n$. Hence this chain has length n , so by Theorem 3.3, is a composition series.

Theorem 3.5 — Let A be a BL-algebra. If A is Noetherian BL-algebra, then A has composition series.

PROOF : Let A be a BL-algebra and A be Noetherion BL-algebra. Let F_1 be a minimal filter of A , then $\frac{F_2}{F_1}$ is a minimal filter of $\frac{A}{F_1}$. So $\{1\} = F_0 \subset F_1 \subset F_2$. Let $\frac{F}{F_{n-1}}$ be a minimal filter of $\frac{A}{F_{n-1}}$, hence $\{1\} = F_0 \subset F_1 \subset F_2 \subset \dots \subset F_{n-1} \subset F_n \subset \dots$. Since A is Noetherian there exists $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $F_i = F_n$, for all $i \geq n$, so A has a composition series.

Lemma 3.6 — Let A be a Artinian BL-algebra. Then $Rad(A) = \bigcap_{i=1}^k F_i$ where F_i are maximal filters of A and $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

PROOF : Let $F_1 \cap F_2 \cap \dots \cap F_k$ be an intersection of finitely many minimal of maximal filters of A , then for every maximal filters M of A , we have $F_1 \cap F_2 \cap \dots \cap F_k \cap M = F_1 \cap F_2 \cap \dots \cap F_k$ so $\bigcap_{i=1}^k F_i \subseteq M$, hence

$$Rad(A) = \bigcap_{i=1}^k F_i.$$

Lemma 3.7 — Let A_1, A_2 be two subalgebras of BL-algebra of A and $A_1 \subseteq A_2$. Then A_2 is Noetherian (Artinian) if and only if A_1 and $\frac{A_2}{A_1}$ are Noetherian (Artinian).

PROOF : The sequence $1 \longrightarrow A_1 \xrightarrow{i} A_2 \xrightarrow{\pi} \frac{A_2}{A_1} \longrightarrow 1$ is a short exact sequence, because i is one to one homomorphism, then π is an onto homomorphism and $I_m i = \ker \pi$. Now, if A_1 and $\frac{A_2}{A_1}$ are Noetherian (Artinian), then by Theorem 2.13, A_2 is Noetherian (Artinian).

Conversely, let A_2 be a Noetherian (Artinian). Since the sequence $1 \longrightarrow A_1 \xrightarrow{i} A_2 \xrightarrow{\pi} \frac{A_2}{A_1} \longrightarrow 1$ is a short exact sequence and $I_m i = \ker \pi$ then by Theorem 2.13, A_1 and $\frac{A_2}{A_1}$ are Noetherian (Artinian).

Lemma 3.8 : Let A be a Noetherian(Artinian) BL-algebra and B be a BL-algebra and $f: A \longrightarrow B$

be a BL-homomorphism. Then $f(A)$ is a Noetherian(Artinian) BL-algebra.

PROOF : Let $f(F_1) \subseteq f(F_2) \subseteq \dots \subseteq f(F_n) \subseteq \dots$ be an increasing chain of filters of $f(A)$, where F_i are filters of A . Since A is Noetherian BL-algebra and $F_1 \subseteq F_2 \subseteq \dots \subseteq F_n \subseteq \dots$ is an increasing chain of filters of A , so there exists $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $F_i = F_n$, for all $i \geq n$. Then $f(F_i) = f(F_n)$, for all $i \geq n$, so $f(A)$ is a Noetherian BL-algebra (similarly for Artinian BL-algebra).

Theorem 3.9 — *Let A be an Artinian BL-algebra and $f : A \longrightarrow A$ be a one to one BL-homomorphism. Then f is an onto BL-homomorphism.*

PROOF : Suppose f is not an onto BL-homomorphism, i.e., $A \supset f(A)$. Since f is one to one, so $f(A) \supset f^2(A)$. We also have $f^{n-1}(A) \supset f^n(A)$ for all $n \geq 2$. This means that $A \supset f(A) \supset f^2(A) \supset \dots \supset f^n(A) \supset \dots$ is a decreasing chain of filters of A . This chain is not stationary, because, if there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $f^{k+1}(A) = f^k(A)$, then by the injectivity of f , there exists a map $g : A \longrightarrow A$, $g(f(A)) = I_A$, thus $g(f^{k+1}(A)) = g(f^k(A))$, i.e., $f^k(A) = f^{k-1}(A)$. By continuing this procedure, we get $f(A) = A$, so which is a contradiction. Therefore, the above chain is not stationary and hence A is not Artinian BL-algebra. It is a contradiction with hypothesis, hence $A = f(A)$ and f is an onto BL-homomorphism.

Theorem 3.10 — *Let A and B be two BL-algebras and $h : A \longrightarrow B$ is an onto BL-homomorphism. If A is an Artinian BL-algebra, then B is an Artinian BL-algebra.*

PROOF : First we know that for any filter F of B , $h^{-1}(F)$ is a filter of A , because, let $x, y \in h^{-1}(F)$, then $h(x), h(y) \in F$. Since F is a filter of B , so $h(x) \odot h(y) \in F$, i.e., $h(x \odot y) \in F$ and hence, $x \odot y \in h^{-1}(F)$. Let $x \in h^{-1}(F)$, $y \in A$ and $x \leq y$, then $h(x) \in F$. By [8, Remark 10] if $x, y \in A$, $x \leq y$, then $h(x) \leq h(y)$. Since $h(x) \in F$, $h(y) \in B$ and F is a filter of B , so $h(y) \in F$, i.e., $x \in h^{-1}(F)$. Let $F_1 \supseteq F_2 \supseteq \dots$ be a decreasing chain of filters of B , then $h^{-1}(F_i)$, $i \geq 1$ are filters of A (*). Since h is onto, $h^{-1}(F_1) \supseteq h^{-1}(F_2) \supseteq \dots$ is a decreasing chain of filters of A . By the hypothesis, A is Artinian BL-algebra, then there exists $i \in \mathbb{N}$, $h^{-1}(F_i) = h^{-1}(F_n)$ for all $n \geq i$. The fact that h is an onto BL-homomorphism, we get $h(h^{-1}(F_i)) = h(h^{-1}(F_n))$, for all $n \geq i$. Hence for all $n \geq i$, $F_i = F_n$, B is Artinian BL-algebra.

Proposition 3.11 — *Let A and B be two BL-algebras and $h : A \longrightarrow B$ be an onto BL-homomorphism. If A is a Noetherian BL-algebra, then B is Noetherian BL-algebra.*

PROOF : Let $F_1 \subseteq F_2 \subseteq \dots$ be an increasing chain of filters of B , then by (*) in the proof of Theorem 3.10, for any $i \geq 1$, $h^{-1}(F_i)$, is a filter of A , therefore, by the surjectivity of h , $h^{-1}(F_1) \subseteq$

$h^{-1}(F_2) \subseteq \dots$ is an increasing chain of filters of A . Since A is a Noetherian BL-algebra, then there exists $i \in \mathbb{N}$, such that for all $n \geq i$, $h^{-1}(F_i) = h^{-1}(F_n)$. h is an onto BL-homomorphism, so we get $h(h^{-1}(F_i)) = h(h^{-1}(F_n))$, for all $n \geq i$. Hence for all $n \geq i$, $F_i = F_n$ and B is a Noetherian BL-algebra.

Lemma 3.12 — Let A_1, A_2 and A_3 be BL-algebras and $1 \longrightarrow A_1 \xrightarrow{\varphi} A_2 \xrightarrow{\Psi} A_3 \longrightarrow 1$ is a short exact sequence of BL-algebra, if every filters of A_1 and A_3 are finitely generated, then every filter of A_2 is finitely generated.

PROOF : Let $1 \longrightarrow A_1 \xrightarrow{\varphi} A_2 \xrightarrow{\Psi} A_3 \longrightarrow 1$ be a short exact sequence of BL-algebra. By Theorem 2.7, since every filters of A_1 and A_3 is finitely generated, so A_1 and A_3 are Noetherian. Further by Theorem 2.13, since A_1 and A_3 are Noetherian, then A_2 is Noetherian BL-algebra. Hence by Theorem 2.7, every filters of A_2 is finitely generated.

Definition 3.13 — Let A be a BL-algebra and $F_i \in F(A)$. A is called finitely embedded, if any intersection of filters reduces to, finite intersection, i.e., $\bigcap_{i \in I} F_i = F_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap F_{i_n}$, such that $i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n \in I$.

Proposition 3.14 — Let A be a BL-algebra. A is an Artinian BL-algebra if and only if for any $F \in F(A)$; $\frac{A}{F}$ is a finitely embedded BL-algebra.

PROOF : Let A be an Artinian BL-algebra. By Theorem 2.14, every quotient filter of A is Artinian too, hence it is sufficient to show that A is finitely embedded. Let I, J be index sets and consider the element $\bigcap_{i \in I} F_i$, where each F_i is filter of A . Let $\bigcap_{i \in J} F_i$ be a minimal (by Theorem 2.15, one can show that every collection of filters of A has a minimal element) among $\bigcap_{i \in K} F_i$, where the cardinal of K is finite. Put $F = \{F_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap F_{i_n} : i_n \in I\}$. Now we claim that $\bigcap_{i \in I} F_i = \bigcap_{i \in J} F_i$. Let $t \in I$ be any element, then $\bigcap_{i \in J \cup \{t\}} F_i = \bigcap_{i \in J} F_i$, i.e., $\bigcap_{i \in J} F_i \subseteq F_t$, so A is finitely embedded.

Conversely, let $F_1 \supseteq F_2 \supseteq \dots \supseteq F_n \supseteq \dots$, be a chain of A . Then consider the collection $\{\frac{F_i}{\bigcap_{i \in I} F_i}\}$ in $\frac{A}{\bigcap_{i \in I} F_i}$. Hence $\bigcap_{i \in I} \frac{F_i}{\bigcap_{i \in I} F_i} = \frac{F_{i_1}}{\bigcap_{i \in I} F_i} \cap \frac{F_{i_2}}{\bigcap_{i \in I} F_i} \cap \dots \cap \frac{F_{i_n}}{\bigcap_{i \in I} F_i} = \frac{F_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap F_{i_n}}{\bigcap_{i \in I} F_i} = \frac{0}{\bigcap_{i \in I} F_i} = 0$, so $F_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap F_{i_n} = \bigcap_{i \in I} F_i$, let $i_1 \subseteq i_2 \subseteq \dots \subseteq i_n$, i.e., $F_{i_n} = \bigcap_{i \in I} F_i$. Since $F_{i_n} \subseteq F_i$, then $F_{i_n} = F_{i_{n+1}} = \dots$, thus A is Artinian BL-algebra.

By Theorem 2.15, Corollary 3.1, and Proposition 3.14, the following conclusion holds:

Corollary 3.15 — Let A be a BL-algebra. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i) A is an Artinian (Noetherian) BL-algebra.
- (ii) Every collection of filters of A has a minimal (maximal) element.

(iii) A is finitely embedded (every filter of A is finitely generated).

PROOF : (i) $\implies$ (ii) Let A be an Artinian BL-algebra. So, by Theorem 2.15, every Collection of filters of A has a minimal element.

(ii) $\implies$ (i) Let every Collection of filters of A has a minimal element. Then, by Theorem 2.15, A is an Artinian BL-algebra.

(iii) $\implies$ (i) Let A be finitely embedded. It is clear that for any $F \in F(A)$, $\frac{A}{F}$ is finitely embedded then, by Proposition 3.14, A is an Artinian BL-algebra.

(i) $\implies$ (iii) Let A be an Artinian BL-algebra. Then by Proposition 3.14, for any $F \in F(A)$, $\frac{A}{F}$ is finitely embedded. Therefore, by the proof of Proposition 3.14, A is a finitely embedded BL-algebra. Similarly, Corollary 3.15, holds for Noetherian BL-algebra according to the Corollary 3.1.

Proposition 3.16 — Let A and B be two BL-algebras and $f : A \longrightarrow B$ be a BL-homomorphism. If D is an essential deductive system of B , then $f^{-1}(D)$ is an essential deductive system of A .

PROOF : Let D be an essential deductive system of B and $M \neq \{1\}$ be any deductive system of A . If $f(M) = \{1\}$, then $M \subseteq f^{-1}(D)$ and $M \cap f^{-1}(D) \neq \{1\}$. Otherwise, if $f(M) \neq \{1\}$ then $f(M) \cap D \neq \{1\}$. Since D is an essential deductive system of B , we have $f^{-1}(f(M) \cap D) = M \cap f^{-1}(D) \neq \{1\}$. Hence $f^{-1}(D)$ is an essential deductive system of A .

Proposition 3.17 — Let A and B be two BL-algebras such that $A \subseteq B$ and D_1, D_2 be essential deductive systems of A and B respectively. Then $D_1 \cap D_2$ is an essential deductive system of $A \cap B$.

PROOF : Let $D \neq \{1\}$ be an essential deductive system of $A \cap B$. Since D_2 is an essential deductive system of B , then $D \cap D_2 \neq \{1\}$. We obtain $\{1\} \neq D \cap D_2 \subseteq D$, because, D_2 is an essential deductive system of B and $\{1\} \neq D \subseteq A \cap B \subseteq B$. Since D_1 is an essential deductive system of A , then $D_1 \cap (D_2 \cap D) \neq \{1\}$. Thus $(D_1 \cap D_2) \cap D \neq \{1\}$, hence $D_1 \cap D_2$ is an essential deductive system of $A \cap B$.

Proposition 3.18 — Let A_1, A_2 and A_3 be BL-algebras such that $A_1 \subseteq A_2 \subseteq A_3$. Then D is an essential deductive system of A_3 if and only if D is an essential deductive system of A_1 and A_2 .

PROOF : Let $D \neq \{1\}$ be an essential deductive system of A_3 , then for any deductive system $E \neq \{1\}$ of A_3 , $D \cap E \neq \{1\}$ and for any deductive system $G \neq \{1\}$, $G \subseteq A_2 \subseteq A_3$, we have $D \subseteq G \neq \{1\}$. So $D \neq \{1\}$ is an essential deductive system of A_2 . Similarly, for any deductive system $K \neq \{1\}$ of A_1 , since $A_1 \subseteq A_2$ and $D \cap K \neq \{1\}$, then D is an essential deductive system of A_1 .

Conversely, let $D \neq \{1\}$ be an essential deductive system of A_1 and A_2 , then for any deductive system $E \neq \{1\}$ of A_2 , $D \cap E \neq \{1\}$, $D \cap E \subseteq D$. Since D is an essential deductive system of A_1 , then for any deductive system $G \neq \{1\}$ of A_1 , $G \cap (D \cap E) = (G \cap D) \cap E \neq \{1\}$ hence, $G \cap D \neq \{1\}$. Since $A_1 \subseteq A_2 \subseteq A_3$, and for any deductive systems $E \neq \{1\}$, $D \neq \{1\}$, we obtain the deductive systems $G \cap E \neq \{1\}$ and $(G \cap E) \cap D \neq \{1\}$. Therefore, D is an essential deductive system of A_3 .

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