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**CONGRUENCES ON MAXIMAL PARTIAL CLONES AND STRONG REGULAR
VARIETIES GENERATED BY PREPRIMAL PARTIAL ALGEBRAS II**

Primality and preprimality for finite partial algebras may be defined in a similar way as in the case of total algebras ([7]). A universal primality criterion for partial algebras reduces to finding the complete list of preprimal partial algebras. All preprimal partial algebras are given in [4] ([5], [6]).

In this paper we consider strong regular varieties generated by preprimal partial algebras and its subvarieties. Similarly as in the total case the subvarieties of the strong regular variety $V(A)$ generated by a partial algebra $A=(A;F)$ correspond to arity congruences of the clone $(T(A);*,\zeta,\tau,\Delta,e_1^2)$ generated by the set F of partial functions ([1]). If A is a primal partial algebra, then $V(A)$ has no nontrivial subvarieties ([2], [3]). For some classes of preprimal partial algebras A we determined all congruences of the clones of its term functions and in this way all nontrivial subvarieties of the strong regular variety $V(A)$ in the first part of this paper. In the second part we will give a complete survey on the subvarieties of $V(A)$ for any preprimal partial algebra A .

1. Preliminaries

Let $P_A^{(n)}$ be the set of all n -ary partial functions defined on the finite set A ($A=\{0,1,\dots,k-1\}$, $k>2$) and let $O_A^{(n)}$ be the set of all total n -ary functions on A . We set $P_A = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} P_A^{(n)}$ and $O_A = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} O_A^{(n)}$. An n -ary function is denoted

by f^n . $*$, ζ , τ , Δ are symbols for a binary and three unary operations on P_A . For the definition of $*$, ζ , τ , Δ see [2].

Every subalgebra of the algebra $P_A = (P_A; *, \zeta, \tau, \Delta, e_1^2)$ is called a clone. (Remark that e_i^n denotes the n -ary total projection on the i -th component). For $f, g \in P_A^{(n)}$, g is called a subfunction of f , symbolically $g \leq f$, if $D(g) \subseteq D(f)$ and if $f|_{D(g)} = g$, where $D(g)$ denotes the domain of g . A clone $C \subseteq P_A$ is strong if it is closed under taking subfunctions. Let $\rho \subseteq A^h$ be a h -ary relation ($h \geq 1$). A function f^n preserves ρ if for every $h \times n$ matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{h1} & \dots & a_{hn} \end{pmatrix}$$

whose columns

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{1j} \\ \vdots \\ a_{hj} \end{pmatrix} \in \rho \quad (j=1, \dots, n)$$

and whose rows $(a_{i1}, \dots, a_{in}) \in D(f)$ ($i=1, \dots, h$) we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} f(a_{11} \dots a_{1n}) \\ \vdots \\ f(a_{h1} \dots a_{hn}) \end{pmatrix} \in \rho.$$

The set $\text{POL } \rho$ of all $f \in P_A$ which preserve ρ is a strong partial clone.

Let E_h be the set of all equivalence relations on the set $h = \{0, 1, \dots, h-1\}$. For $c \in E_h$ we set $\delta_c = \{(x_0, \dots, x_{h-1}) \in A^h \mid (i, j) \in c \Rightarrow x_i = x_j\}$. ρ is strongly reflexive if for each equivalence c from E_h with $c \neq c_0$ (c_0 is the zero equivalence) there exists an equivalence $c' \geq c$ such that $\rho \cap \delta_{c'} = \delta_c$, and if for $h=2$, $\rho \neq A^2$ and $\rho \neq \{(x, x) \mid x \in A\}$. The relation ρ is said to be areflexive if $\rho \cap \delta_c = \emptyset$ for each $c \in E_h$ with $c \neq c_0$. In [6] (see also [4]) all maximal partial clones of functions on a finite set A , $|A| \geq 3$ were determined. Let M be maximal partial clone on A . Then we have exactly the following cases:

- (1) If M is not strong, then $M = O_A \cup \{o^n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$, where o^n is the n -ary partial function with empty domain ($D(o^n) = \emptyset$) and \mathbb{N} is the set of all positive integers.
- (2) If M is strong, then $M = \text{POL } \rho$, where ρ is a relation with the following property:
- (i) a unary relation ($h=1$)
 - (ii) a h -ary strongly reflexive relation with $h \geq 2$.
 - (iii) a h -ary areflexive relation with $h \geq 2$.

Every clone CSP_A has at least three congruences $\kappa_0, \kappa_a, \kappa_1$ defined by

$$\begin{aligned} (f, g) \in \kappa_0 &: \iff \{f, g\} \subseteq C \wedge f = g, \\ (f, g) \in \kappa_a &: \iff \{f, g\} \subseteq C \wedge \text{arf} = \text{arg} \\ (\text{arf denotes the arity of the function } f), \\ (f, g) \in \kappa_1 &: \iff \{f, g\} \subseteq C. \end{aligned}$$

Every congruence κ with $\kappa \subseteq \kappa_a$ is called arity congruence.

If $\{o^n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subseteq C$, then κ_\emptyset defined by

$$(f, g) \in \kappa_\emptyset : \iff \{f, g\} \subseteq C \wedge (f = g \vee \{f, g\} \subseteq \{o^n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\})$$

is a congruence of C .

Since every maximal clone contains the set $\{o^n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$, every maximal clone has the four congruences $\kappa_0, \kappa_a, \kappa_1, \kappa_\emptyset$. In the first part we showed:

Lemma 1.1. Let C be a maximal clone. If C is not strong or if $M = \text{POL } \rho$ where ρ is an h -ary strongly reflexive relation with $h \geq 2$, then C has exactly the four congruences $\kappa_0, \kappa_a, \kappa_1, \kappa_\emptyset$. ■

Let ρ be an h -ary relation on A . Consider the following relations on $\text{POL } \rho$:

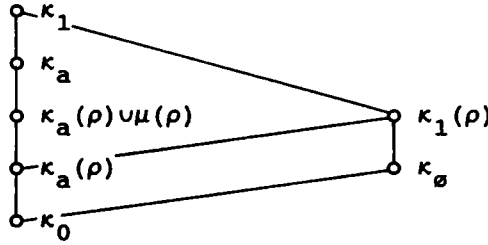
$$\begin{aligned} \kappa_1(\rho) &:= \{(f, g) \in \kappa_1 \mid f = g \vee \forall r_1, \dots, r_{\max(\text{arf}, \text{arg})} \in \rho : (r_1, \dots, \\ &\quad \dots, r_{\text{arf}}) \notin D(f) \wedge (r_1, \dots, r_{\text{arg}}) \notin D(g)\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\kappa_a(\rho) := \kappa_1(\rho) \cap \kappa_a,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa(\rho) \cup \mu(\rho) \text{ with } \mu(\rho) &:= \{(f, g) \in \kappa_a \mid \forall r_1, \dots, r_{\text{arf}} \in \rho : ((r_1, \dots, \\ &\quad \dots, r_{\text{arf}}) \notin D(f) \wedge (r_1, \dots, r_{\text{arf}}) \notin D(g)) \vee f(r_1, \dots, r_{\text{arf}}) = \\ &\quad = g(r_1, \dots, r_{\text{arf}})\}. \end{aligned}$$

In [7] we proved:

Lemma 1.2. Let C be a maximal clone of the form $C = \text{POL } \rho$ with $\emptyset \subset \rho \subset A$. Then C has exactly the following pairwise different congruences $\kappa_0, \kappa_a, \kappa_1, \kappa_\emptyset, \kappa_1(\rho), \kappa_a(\rho), \kappa_a(\rho) \cup \mu(\rho)$.
Con $\text{POL } \rho$ can be given by the following diagram



2. Some properties of maximal partial clones of the form $C = \text{POL } \rho$, where ρ is an h -ary areflexive relation with $h \geq 2$

In this section let ρ be an arbitrary h -ary areflexive relation (i.e. $|\{a_0, \dots, a_{h-1}\}| = h$ for every $(a_0, \dots, a_{h-1}) \in \rho$) with the property that $\text{POL } \rho$ is a maximal partial clone and $h \geq 2$. In [5] Haddad proved the following properties:

1.) Without loss of generality we can choose ρ such that $(0, 1, \dots, h-1) \in \rho$.

2.) Let S_h be the full symmetric group on $\{0, 1, \dots, h-1\}$. For every permutation $\pi \in S_h$, let

$$\rho^{(\pi)} := \{(a_{\pi(0)}, \dots, a_{\pi(h-1)}) \mid (a_0, \dots, a_{h-1}) \in \rho\} \quad \text{and} \\ G_\rho := \{\pi \in S_h \mid \rho \cap \rho^{(\pi)} \neq \emptyset\}.$$

We say that the relation ρ is symmetric under π if $\rho = \rho^{(\pi)}$ and asymmetric under π if $\rho \cap \rho^{(\pi)} = \emptyset$.

Then we have

(a) G_ρ is a subgroup of S_h .

(b) ρ is symmetric under each $\pi \in G_\rho$ ($\forall \pi \in G_\rho : \rho = \rho^{(\pi)}$).

(c) ρ is asymmetric under each $\pi \in S_h \setminus G_\rho$

$$(\forall \pi \in S_h \setminus G_\rho : \rho \cap \rho^{(\pi)} = \emptyset).$$

3.) Under the model of ρ we understand the h -ary relation $\gamma_\rho := \{(\pi(0), \dots, \pi(h-1)) \mid \pi \in G_\rho\}$. Note that $\gamma_\rho = \rho/h$. Then there exists a surjective function $\varphi: A \rightarrow h$, $\varphi \in O_A \cap \text{POL } \rho$, which is a relational homomorphism from ρ to γ_ρ , i.e. for every $(a_0, \dots, a_{h-1}) \in \rho$ we have $(\varphi(a_0), \dots, \varphi(a_{h-1})) \in \gamma_\rho$.

Then we obtain the following properties of the relation ρ :

Lemma 2.1. Let $\iota_h := \{(a_0, \dots, a_{h-1}) \in A^h \mid |\{a_0, \dots, a_{h-1}\}| \leq h-1\}$. Then we have $\rho \setminus \iota_h \neq \emptyset$ and for all $(a_0, \dots, a_{h-1}) \in \rho$ there exists a function $h_a \in \text{POL}(\rho \cap O_A)$ such that $\text{Im } h_a \subseteq \{a_0, \dots, a_{h-1}\}$ ($\text{Im } h_a$ denotes the image of h_a).

Proof. For an arbitrary $a := (a_0, \dots, a_{h-1}) \in \rho$ we consider the function $\varphi_a: h \rightarrow \{a_0, \dots, a_{h-1}\}$ with $\varphi_a(i) = a_i$ for all $i \in h$.

We define $h_a := \varphi_a * \varphi$, where $\varphi: A \rightarrow h$ is the relational homomorphism considered in 3.). Then we have $\text{Im } h_a = \{a_0, \dots, a_{h-1}\}$ and $h_a \in \text{POL } \rho$ since by 3.) for every $b := (b_0, \dots, b_{h-1}) \in \rho$ there exists a permutation $\pi_b \in G_\rho$ with $\varphi(b_0, \dots, b_{h-1}) = (\pi_b(0), \dots, \pi_b(h-1))$ and therefore we get $h_a(b_0, \dots, b_{h-1}) = \varphi_a(\varphi(b_0, \dots, b_{h-1})) = \varphi_a(\pi_b(0), \dots, \pi_b(h-1)) = (a_{\pi_b(0)}, \dots, a_{\pi_b(h-1)}) \in \rho$ by 2.), (b). ■

Lemma 2.2. For all h -tuples $r_i = (r_{1i}, \dots, r_{hi})$ ($i=1, \dots, n$) there exist unary functions h_1, \dots, h_n on A with $h_1, \dots, h_n \in \text{POL } \rho \cap O_A$ such that

$$\{(h_1(j), \dots, h_n(j)) \mid j \in A\} = \{(r_{j1}, \dots, r_{jn}) \mid j \in \{1, 2, \dots, h\}\}.$$

Proof. We define $h_i := h_{r_i}$ with $r_i = (r_{1i}, \dots, r_{hi})$ ($i=1, \dots, n$) and obtain our result. ■

3. Congruences on maximal clones of the form $C = \text{POL } \rho$, where ρ is an areflexive at least binary relation

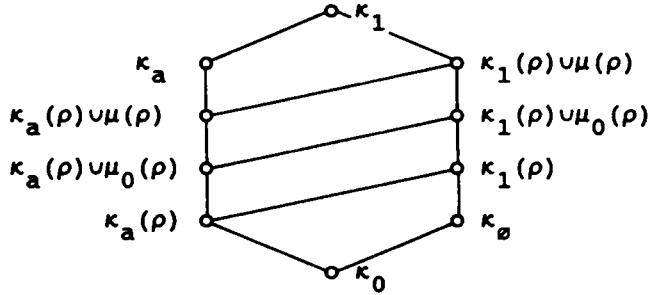
Consider the following relations: $\kappa_0, \kappa_1, \kappa_a, \kappa_\emptyset, \kappa_1(\rho), \kappa_a(\rho), \kappa_1(\rho) \cup \mu(\rho), \kappa_a(\rho) \cup \mu(\rho), \kappa_1(\rho) \cup \mu_0(\rho)$ with $\mu_0(\rho) := \{(f, g) \in \kappa_a \mid \forall a \in (A \setminus U)^{\text{arf}} : f(a) = g(a)\}$ and $U := \{a \in A \mid \forall (c_1, \dots, c_h) \in \rho : a \notin \{c_1, \dots, c_h\}\}$ and

$$\kappa_a(\rho) \vee \mu_0(\rho).$$

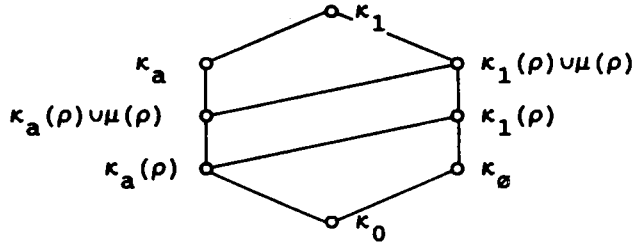
(Remark that for $\emptyset < \rho < A$ we have $A \setminus U = \rho$, therefore $\kappa_a(\rho) \vee \mu(\rho) = \kappa_a(\rho) \vee \mu_0(\rho)$ and further in this case we have $\kappa_1(\rho) \vee \mu(\rho) = \kappa_1(\rho) \vee \mu_0(\rho) = \kappa_1(\rho)$.)

The main theorem of this section is the following

Theorem 3.1. If ρ be an areflexive h -ary relation on A with $h \geq 2$, then the congruence lattice of the clone $C = \text{POL } \rho$ is given by



if $U \neq \emptyset$ and by



if $U = \emptyset$.

The proof of Theorem 3.1 will be given in the form of five lemmas:

Lemma 3.2. Let κ be a congruence on $\text{POL } \rho$. Then we have:

- a) $\kappa_0 < \kappa \leq \kappa_a \Rightarrow \kappa_a(\rho) \leq \kappa$,
- b) $\kappa \not\leq \kappa_a \Rightarrow \kappa_\emptyset \leq \kappa$,
- c) $\kappa_\emptyset < \kappa \Rightarrow \kappa_1(\rho) \leq \kappa$.

Proof. a) If $\kappa_0 < \kappa \leq \kappa_a$, then there are functions f^n , g^n with $(f^n, g^n) \in \kappa$ and elements $\tilde{a} := (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in A^n$, $a, b \in A$, $a \neq b$, such that $f(\tilde{a}) := a * b := g(\tilde{a})$. $\text{POL } \rho$ contains functions t_α and $h_{\beta\gamma}$ with

$$t_{\alpha}(x, y) := \begin{cases} y & \text{if } x = \alpha \\ \text{not defined otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (\alpha \in A) \text{ and}$$

$$h_{\beta\gamma}(x) := \begin{cases} \gamma & \text{if } x = \beta \\ \text{not defined otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

If ρ is areflexive or $\{c_0, \dots, c_{k-1}\} \subseteq \text{POL } \rho$, where c_i is the constant unary function with value $i \in A$, β and γ are arbitrary elements of A , otherwise $\beta \notin \{a \mid (a, a, \dots, a) \notin \rho\}$.

Therefore we get

$$f(h_{\beta a_1}(x), \dots, h_{\beta a_n}(x)) = h_{\beta a}(x)$$

$$\sim g(h_{\beta a_1}(x), \dots, h_{\beta a_n}(x)) = h_{\beta b}(x) \quad (\kappa)$$

and further we obtain

$$t_a(h_{\beta a}(x), y) = t_{\beta}(x, y) \sim t_a(h_{\beta b}(x), y) = o^2(x, y) \quad (\kappa).$$

If u^m is an arbitrary function from $\text{POL } \rho$ with the property:

$$\forall r_1, \dots, r_m \in \rho : (r_1, \dots, r_m) \notin D(u^m),$$

then the following function v^m is an element of $\text{POL } \rho$:

$$v^m(\tilde{x}) := \begin{cases} \beta & \text{if } u(\tilde{x}) \in A \\ \text{not defined otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then we have

$$t_{\beta}(v(\tilde{x}), u(\tilde{x})) = u(\tilde{x}) \sim o^2(v(\tilde{x}), u(\tilde{x})) = o^m(\tilde{x}) \quad (\kappa),$$

i.e. $\kappa_a(\rho) \leq \kappa$.

b) If $\kappa \not\leq \kappa_a$ then there are two functions $f^n, g^m, n > m$ in $\text{POL } \rho$ with $(f, g) \in \kappa$. Then we get

$$(\tau((\Delta^{n-2}f) * o^1)) * o^1 = o^2 \sim (\tau((\Delta^{n-2}g) * o^1)) * o^1 = o^1 \quad (\kappa).$$

It follows that $o^2 * e_1^r = o^{r+1} \sim o^1 * e_1^r = o^r \quad (\kappa)$ for arbitrary $r \in \mathbb{N}$. Therefore, we have $\kappa_{\emptyset} \leq \kappa$.

c) For $\kappa_{\emptyset} < \kappa$ and $\kappa \cap \kappa_a \neq \kappa_{\emptyset}$ we have $\kappa_a(\rho) \leq \kappa$ by a) (since $\kappa \cap \kappa_a = \kappa' \neq \kappa_{\emptyset}, \kappa' \leq \kappa_a$ implies $\kappa_a(\rho) \leq \kappa'$ and because of $\kappa' \leq \kappa$ we get $\kappa_a(\rho) \leq \kappa$).

From $\kappa_a(\rho) \leq \kappa$ and $\kappa_\emptyset \leq \kappa$ it follows $\kappa_1(\rho) \leq \rho$, since, if $(f^n, g^m) \in \kappa_1(\rho)$ ($n \neq m$), then we have $(f^n, o^n) \in \kappa$ and $(o^m, g^m) \in \kappa$ because of $\kappa_a(\rho) \leq \kappa$ and $(o^n, o^m) \in \kappa$ because of $\kappa_\emptyset \leq \kappa$.

Transitivity gives $(f^n, g^m) \in \kappa$. If $\kappa_\emptyset < \kappa$ and $\kappa \wedge \kappa_a = \kappa_\emptyset$, then there exist two functions s^1, t^r ($1 \neq r$) in $\text{POL } \rho$ with $(s, t) \in \kappa$. We can assume that $1 > r$ and that $s^1 \neq o^1$, i.e. there exists an element $\tilde{a} := (a_1, \dots, a_1)$ with $s(\tilde{a}) \in A$. We consider the following two cases:

Case 1. For all $a_i \in A$ we have $(a_1, \dots, a_1) \in \rho$. In this case $\{c_{a_1}, \dots, c_{a_n}\} \subseteq \text{POL } \rho$. From $(s, t) \in \kappa$ and $\kappa_\emptyset \leq \kappa$ we get that two constant functions of different arity are congruent under κ . It follows that $(\text{POL } \rho \cap O_A) \times (\text{POL } \rho \cap O_A) \leq \kappa$. This contradicts $\kappa \wedge \kappa_a = \kappa_\emptyset$.

Case 2. There is an element $a_i \in A$ with $(a_1, \dots, a_i) \notin \rho$. Without loss of generality we assume that $(a_1, \dots, a_1) \notin \rho$. Then the function $h_{a_1 a_j}^1$ belongs to $\text{POL } \rho$ for any $a_j \in A, j=1, \dots, n$.

Moreover we can assume that $a_1 \neq a_{1-r}$. (From $a_1 = a_{1-r}$ we consider $s' := s * e_2^2$ and $t' := t * e_2^2$. Then we apply the operations ζ and τ and obtain functions s'', t'' with $(s'', t'') \in \kappa, s''(\tilde{a}) \in A, (a_1'', \dots, a_1'') \notin \rho$ and $a_1'' \neq a_{1-r}''$). Then we get

$$s_1 := (\dots (\zeta((\zeta((\zeta(s) * h_{a_1 a_1})) * h_{a_1 a_{1-1}})) * h_{a_1 a_{1-2}}) * \dots * h_{a_1 a_{1-r}}) \sim$$

$$t_1 := (\dots (\zeta((\zeta((\zeta(t) * h_{a_1 a_1})) * h_{a_1 a_{1-1}})) * h_{a_1 a_{1-2}}) * \dots * h_{a_1 a_{1-r}})(\kappa)$$

$$\text{with } s_1(x_1, \dots, x_1) =$$

$$s(x_{1-r+1}, \dots, x_1, h_{a_1 a_{1-r}}(x_1), \dots, h_{a_1 a_1}(x_{1-r}))$$

$$\text{and } t_1(x_1, \dots, x_r) =$$

$$t(h_{a_1 a_{1-r+1}}(x_2), \dots, h_{a_1 a_{1-1}}(x_r), h_{a_1 a_1}(h_{a_1 a_{1-r}}(x_1))) = o^r(\tilde{x})$$

since $h_{a_1 a_1} * h_{a_1 a_{1-r}} = o^1$ and because of $a_1 \neq a_{1-r}$.

From this argumentation and from $\kappa_\emptyset \leq \kappa$ it follows that $\kappa \wedge \kappa_a \neq \kappa_\emptyset$ which contradicts the presumption. Therefore we have

c). ■

Lemma 3.3. Let $\text{POL } \rho$ be a maximal clone where ρ is an h -ary areflexive relation ($h \geq 2$). Then for every congruence κ on $\text{POL } \rho$ we have

$$a) \quad \kappa \not\leq \kappa_a(\rho) \cup \mu(\rho) \wedge \kappa \leq \kappa_a \Rightarrow \kappa = \kappa_a,$$

$$b) \quad \kappa \not\leq \kappa_1(\rho) \cup \mu(\rho) \wedge \kappa \not\leq \kappa_a \Rightarrow \kappa = \kappa_1.$$

Proof. a) $\kappa \not\leq \kappa_a(\rho) \cup \mu(\rho)$ and $\kappa \leq \kappa_a$ means that there exist two functions f^n, g^n with $(f^n, g^n) \in \kappa$ and an n -tuple $\tilde{a} = (r_1, \dots, r_n) \in \rho^n$ with $\tilde{a} \leq D(f)$, $\tilde{a} \leq D(g)$, $f(\tilde{a}) * g(\tilde{a})$ or $\tilde{a} \leq D(f)$ and $\tilde{a} \not\leq D(g)$.

The first case can be reduced to the second case. Let \hat{e}_3^3 be the ternary function from $\text{POL } \rho$ defined by

$$\hat{e}_3^3(x, y, z) = \begin{cases} z & \text{if } x=y \\ \text{not defined otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{e}_3^3(f(\tilde{x}), f(\tilde{x}), f(\tilde{x})) &= f(\tilde{x}) \\ \sim \hat{e}_3^3(f(\tilde{x}), g(\tilde{x}), f(\tilde{x})) &= g'(\tilde{x}) \quad (\kappa) \end{aligned}$$

with $\tilde{a} \not\leq D(g')$.

Therefore, we can assume that $\tilde{a} \leq D(f)$ and $\tilde{a} \not\leq D(g)$.

Let $(a_1, \dots, a_h) \in \rho \setminus \iota_h$. Then the functions t_1, \dots, t_n with

$$t_i \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_h \end{pmatrix} = r_i$$

and $t_i(x)$ is not defined if $x \notin \{a_1, \dots, a_h\}$ ($i=1, \dots, n$) belongs to $\text{POL } \rho$. $(f, g) \in \kappa$ implies

$$f(t_1(x), \dots, t_n(x)) =: f'(x) \sim g(t_1(x), \dots, t_n(x)) =: g'(x) \quad (\kappa),$$

where for every $r \in \rho$ $r \not\leq D(g')$ and $(f'(a_1), \dots, f'(a_h)) \in \rho$. By

Lemma 3.2 we have $\kappa_a(\rho) \leq \kappa$ and consequently $(g', o^1) \in \kappa$, and

$(f', o^1) \in \kappa$. By Lemma 2.1 there exists a function $t^1 \in 0_A \cap \text{POL } \rho$ with $\text{Im}(t^1) \subseteq \{a_1, \dots, a_h\}$. Using this function and the fact that $f'' = f' * t$ we obtain a further function from $\text{POL } \rho \cap 0_A$

with $(f'', o^1) \in \kappa$. Then we get $(\Delta(e_2^2 * f''), \Delta(e_2^2 * o^1)) = (e_1^1, o^1) \in \kappa$ and $\kappa = \kappa_a$.

b) One can show that from $\kappa \not\leq \kappa_1(\rho) \cup \mu(\rho)$ and $\kappa \not\leq \kappa_a$ it follows $\kappa \wedge \kappa_a \not\leq \kappa_a(\rho) \cup \mu(\rho)$. Then from a) and $\kappa_\emptyset \leq \kappa$ we obtain b). ■

Lemma 3.4. Let POL ρ be a maximal clone where ρ is an areflexive relation and suppose that there exists an element $a \in U := \{\alpha \in A \mid \forall (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \rho : \alpha \notin \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}\} \quad (U \neq \emptyset)$. Then for every congruence κ on POL ρ we have

$$\kappa \not\leq \kappa_a(\rho) \wedge \kappa \leq \kappa_a \Rightarrow \kappa_a(\rho) \cup \mu_0(\rho) \leq \kappa.$$

Proof. Because of Lemma 3.2, a) we have to show that $\mu_0(\rho) \leq \kappa$. Let κ be a congruence on POL ρ with $\kappa \leq \kappa_a$ and $\kappa \not\leq \kappa_a(\rho)$. Then there are two different n -ary functions f, g with $(f, g) \in \kappa$ and a n -tuple $(r_1, \dots, r_n) \in \rho^n$ such that $(r_1, \dots, r_n) \leq \Delta(f)$ or $(r_1, \dots, r_n) \leq \Delta(g)$.

Further we can assume that $\kappa \neq \kappa_a$. By Lemma 3.3 we have $\kappa \leq \kappa_a(\rho) \cup \mu(\rho)$, i.e. we have $f(r_1, \dots, r_n) = g(r_1, \dots, r_n)$. Since $f \neq g$ there exists an n -tuple $\tilde{a} := (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in A^n$ with $f(\tilde{a}) \neq g(\tilde{a})$. As shown in the proof of Lemma 3.3 we can assume that $\tilde{a} \notin \Delta(g)$ and $\tilde{a} \in \Delta(f)$.

Let $r := (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \rho \setminus \iota_n$ and $a \in U$. Then the functions h_1, \dots, h_n defined by $h_i(r) = r_i$, $h_i(a) = a_i$ and h_i not defined otherwise, belong to POL ρ .

Then we get

$f(h_1(x), \dots, h_n(x)) =: f'(x) \sim g(h_1(x), \dots, h_n(x)) =: g'(x) \quad (\kappa)$, where $f'(r) = f(h_1(r), \dots, h_n(r)) = f(r_1, \dots, r_n) = g(h_1(r), \dots, h_n(r)) = g'(r)$, $f'(a) = f(h_1(a), \dots, h_n(a)) = f(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ and $a \notin \Delta(g')$. By Lemma 2.1, POL ρ does contain a function $t \in 0_A$ with $\text{Im}(t) \subseteq \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n\}$. Then the function t' defined by

$$t'(x) := \begin{cases} t(x) & \text{for } x \notin U \\ a & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

belongs to POL ρ and we get

$$f' * t' =: f'' \sim g'' =: g' * t' \quad (\kappa) \quad \text{and}$$

$$e_2^2(f''(x), x) = e_1^1(x) \sim e_1^1(x) := e_2^2(g''(x), x) \quad (\kappa) \quad \text{with}$$

$$e_1^1(x) := \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \notin U \\ \text{not defined} & \text{if } x \in U. \end{cases}$$

Let p^m be an arbitrary function from $\text{POL } \rho$ and let

$$p_a(\tilde{x}) := \begin{cases} p(\tilde{x}) & \text{if } \tilde{x} \in (A \setminus U)^m \\ a & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \text{and}$$

$$p_\emptyset(\tilde{x}) := \begin{cases} p(\tilde{x}) & \text{if } \tilde{x} \in (A \setminus U)^m \\ \text{not defined} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

From $(e_1^1, e_1^1) \in \kappa$ we get $e_1^1 * p_a = p_a \sim e_1^1 * p_a = p_\emptyset(\kappa)$ and

$$e_2^2(p_a(\tilde{x}), p(\tilde{x})) = p(\tilde{x}) \sim e_2^2(p_\emptyset(\tilde{x}), p(\tilde{x})) = p_\emptyset(\tilde{x}) (\kappa).$$

We obtain that two m -ary functions p, q with $p(\tilde{x}) = q(\tilde{x})$ for $\tilde{x} \in (A \setminus U)^m$ are congruent under κ , i.e. $\mu_0(\rho) \leq \kappa$. ■

Lemma 3.5. Let $\text{POL } \rho$ be a maximal clone where ρ is an areflexive relation. Then for every congruence κ on $\text{POL } \rho$ we have:

$$\kappa_1(\rho) \leq \kappa_1(\rho) \cup \mu_0(\rho) < \kappa \leq \kappa_1(\rho) \cup \mu(\rho) \Rightarrow \kappa = \kappa_1(\rho) \cup \mu(\rho).$$

Proof. If for the congruence κ on $\text{POL } \rho$ we have the relation $\mu_0(\rho) < \kappa \setminus \kappa_1(\rho) \leq \mu(\rho)$ then there are two functions $f^n, g^n, (f^n, g^n) \in \kappa$ such that for certain h -tuples $(r_{11}, \dots, r_{h1}), \dots, (r_{1n}, \dots, r_{hn}) \in \rho, (a_1, \dots, a_h) \in \rho$ there exist an n -tuple $(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in A^n$ and an element $\alpha \in A$ with $f(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) = \alpha, (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \notin D(g)$ and

$$f \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & \dots & r_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ r_{h1} & \dots & r_{hn} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_h \end{pmatrix} = g \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & \dots & r_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ r_{h1} & \dots & r_{hn} \end{pmatrix}.$$

By Lemma 2.2 there exist functions $h_1, \dots, h_n \in 0_A \cap \text{POL } \rho$ such that $\{(h_1(i), \dots, h_n(i)) \mid i \in A\} = \{(r_{j1}, r_{j2}, \dots, r_{jn}) \mid j \in \{1, 2, \dots, h\}\}$. Let t^m be an arbitrary function from $\text{POL } \rho$. Then for

$$D_t := \left\{ \tilde{x} \in A^m \mid \exists \tilde{a}_1, \dots, \tilde{a}_h : \tilde{x} \in \{\tilde{a}_1, \dots, \tilde{a}_h\} \wedge \right.$$

$$\wedge \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{a}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \tilde{a}_h \end{pmatrix} \leq \rho \wedge t \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{a}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \tilde{a}_h \end{pmatrix} \in \rho \right\},$$

the functions t_i defined by

$$t_i(\tilde{x}) := \begin{cases} h_i(t(\tilde{x})) & \text{if } \tilde{x} \in D_t \\ \alpha_i & \text{if } \tilde{x} \notin D_t \wedge \tilde{x} \in D(t) \\ \text{not defined,} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

($i=1,2,\dots,n$) belong to $\text{POL } \rho$ and we have:

$$u(f(t_1(\tilde{x}), \dots, t_n(\tilde{x}))) = t(\tilde{x}) \sim t'(\tilde{x}) = u(g(t_1(\tilde{x}), \dots, t_n(\tilde{x}))) \quad (\kappa)$$

with

$$u(x, y) := \begin{cases} y & \text{if } x \in \{a_1, \dots, a_h, \alpha\} \\ \text{not defined,} & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

and

$$t'(x) := \begin{cases} t(\tilde{x}) & \text{if } \tilde{x} \in D_t \\ \text{not defined,} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Now it follows that $\mu(\rho) \leq \kappa$. ■

Lemma 3.6. Let $\text{POL } \rho$ be a maximal clone where ρ is an areflexive relation. Then for every congruence κ on $\text{POL } \rho$ we have:

- a) $\kappa_1(\rho) \subset \kappa \leq \kappa_1(\rho) \vee \mu_0(\rho) \Rightarrow \kappa = \kappa_1(\rho) \vee \mu_0(\rho)$
- b) $\kappa_a(\rho) \vee \mu_0(\rho) \subset \kappa \leq \kappa_a(\rho) \vee \mu(\rho) \Rightarrow \kappa = \kappa_a(\rho) \vee \mu(\rho)$
- c) $\kappa_a(\rho) \subset \kappa \leq \kappa_1(\rho) \Rightarrow \kappa = \kappa_1(\rho)$
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 $\kappa_a(\rho) \vee \mu(\rho) \subset \kappa \leq \kappa_1(\rho) \vee \mu(\rho) \Rightarrow \kappa = \kappa_1(\rho) \vee \mu(\rho).$

Proof. a) $\kappa_1(\rho) \subset \kappa \leq \kappa_1(\rho) \vee \mu_0(\rho)$ implies $\kappa_1(\rho) \cap \kappa_a \leq \kappa \cap \kappa_a \leq (\kappa_1(\rho) \vee \mu_0(\rho)) \cap \kappa_a$ and further $\kappa_a(\rho) \leq \kappa \cap \kappa_a \leq \kappa_a(\rho) \vee \mu_0(\rho)$ because $\kappa_a(\rho) = \kappa_1(\rho) \cap \kappa_a$ and $\mu_0(\rho) \subset \kappa_a$.

Lemma 3.4 gives $\mu_0(\rho) \vee \kappa_a(\rho) \leq \kappa \cap \kappa_a$ and therefore $\kappa \cap \kappa_a = \kappa_a(\rho) \vee \mu_0(\rho)$. κ can be written as $\kappa = \kappa_1(\rho) \vee \mu'_0(\rho)$ with $\mu'_0(\rho) \leq \mu_0(\rho)$. Then we have $\kappa \cap \kappa_a = (\kappa_1(\rho) \vee \mu'_0(\rho)) \cap \kappa_a = \kappa_a(\rho) \vee (\mu'_0(\rho) \cap \kappa_a) = \kappa_a(\rho) \vee \mu'_0(\rho) = \kappa_a(\rho) \vee \mu_0(\rho)$. Therefore $\mu'_0(\rho) = \mu_0(\rho)$ and $\kappa = \kappa_1(\rho) \vee \mu_0(\rho)$.

b) κ can be written in the form $\kappa = \kappa_a(\rho) \cup \mu'$ with $\mu_0(\rho) \subset \mu' \subseteq \mu(\rho)$. Then we have $\kappa \vee \kappa_\emptyset = \kappa_a(\rho) \cup \mu' \cup \kappa_\emptyset = \kappa_1(\rho) \cup \mu'$ by Lemma 3.2 and $\kappa_1(\rho) \cup \mu_0(\rho) \subseteq \kappa_1(\rho) \cup \mu' \subseteq \kappa_1(\rho) \cup \mu(\rho)$. By Lemma 3.5 it follows $\kappa_1(\rho) \cup \mu' = \kappa_1(\rho) \cup \mu(\rho)$ or $\kappa_1(\rho) \cup \mu' = \kappa_1(\rho) \cup \mu_0(\rho)$. In the first case we get $\mu' = \mu(\rho)$, in the second case $\mu' = \mu_0(\rho)$. It follows $\kappa = \kappa_a(\rho) \cup \mu_0(\rho)$.

c) $\kappa_a(\rho) \subset \kappa \subseteq \kappa_1(\rho)$ implies $\kappa \not\subseteq \kappa_a$ and by Lemma 3.2 b) $\kappa_\emptyset \subseteq \kappa$. $\kappa_\emptyset \subseteq \kappa \subseteq \kappa_1(\rho)$ implies $\kappa = \kappa_\emptyset$ or $\kappa = \kappa_1(\rho)$. The first case is impossible. In a similar way we obtain the other propositions. ■

4. Subvarieties of the strong regular varieties generated by a preprimal partial algebra

Let $A = (A; F)$ be a partial algebra of type τ and let $W(X)$ be the total term algebra of this type. Every term w induces an n -ary term function w_A of A ([2]).

We need the concept of a strong regular identity. Let w_1, w_2 be two terms which contain the same free variables. Then an equation $w_1 = w_2$ is called a strong regular identity of A iff whenever one of the term functions w_{1A}, w_{2A} induced by w_1, w_2 is defined, then the other is defined, and, when both are defined, then they have the same values ([2]). Let $\text{Id } A$ be the set of all strong regular identities of A . In [2] it was proved:

Lemma 4.1. $\text{Id } A$ is a fully invariant congruence relation of $W(X)$. ■

We define the concept of a strong regular variety $V(A)$ defined by A as the class of all algebras B of the same type as A with $\text{Id } B \supseteq \text{Id } A$.

Then we obtain

Lemma 4.2. If V is a strong regular subvariety of $V(A)$, then $\text{Id } V$ is a fully invariant congruence relation of $F(X) := W(X) / \text{Id } A$.

• **Proof.** $\text{Id } V = \bigcap_{B \in V} \text{Id } B$ is a fully invariant congruence

relation on $W(X)$. By the second isomorphism theorem $W(X)/\text{Id } V$ is a homomorphic image of $F(X) = W(X)/\text{Id } A$ and there exists a congruence relation θ on $F(X)$ such that $F(X)/\theta$ is isomorphic to $W(X)/\text{Id } V$, namely $\theta = \text{Id } V/\text{Id } A$ and θ is fully invariant. ■

Further we have

Lemma 4.3 ([2]). To every fully invariant congruence κ_F of $F(X)$ corresponds a congruence $\kappa \leq \kappa_a$ of $T(A)$. ■

From Lemma 4.2 and Lemma 4.3 it follows that an arity congruence of $T(A)$ is assigned to every strong regular subvariety of $V(A)$. Therefore for a preprimal algebra A , $V(A)$ has at most three strong regular subvarieties. Considering the congruences $\kappa_a(\rho)$, $\kappa_a(\rho) \cup \mu_0(\rho)$, $\kappa_a(\rho) \cup \mu(\rho)$ which lead to three fully invariant congruences κ_F of $F(X)$ we see that each of these fully invariant congruences corresponds to a strong regular subvariety of $V(A)$. Therefore we have:

Theorem 4.4. Let A be a preprimal partial algebra and let $V(A)$ be the strong regular variety generated by A . Then we have exactly the following cases for subvarieties of $V(A)$:

1. $V(A)$ has no nontrivial strong regular subvariety,
2. $V(A)$ has exactly two nontrivial strong regular subvarieties,
3. $V(A)$ has exactly three nontrivial strong regular subvarieties. ■

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