

Birkoff Centre of a C-algebra

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ABSTRACT

The concept of the Birkoff centre of a Semi group with 0 and 1 was introduced by U.M. Swamy and G.S.N. Murthy [4] and proved that it is a Boolean algebra. This concept is extended to a C-algebra with T. It is proved that Bir A, the Birkoff centre of a C-algebra A is itself a C-algebra. For any element $a \in \mathcal{B}(A)$ we defined S_a and proved that it is a C-algebra.

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INTRODUCTION:

In [2] Fernando Guzman and Craig C. Squier introduced the variety of C-algebras as the variety generated by the three element algebra $C = \{T, F, U\}$ with the operations \wedge, \vee and $'$ of type (2,2,1), which is the algebraic form of the three valued conditional logic. They proved that C and the two element Boolean algebra $B = \{T, F\}$ are the only sub directly irreducible C-algebras and that the variety of C-algebras is a minimal cover of the variety of Boolean algebras. Later U.M.Swamy et.al., in [6] defined different partial orders on a C-algebra and studied their properties and gave a number of equivalent conditions in terms of this partial ordering for a C-algebra to become a Boolean algebra and in [5], introduced the concept of the Centre $\mathcal{B}(A) = \{a \in A \mid a \vee a' = T\}$ of a C-algebra A and proved that $\mathcal{B}(A)$ is a Boolean algebra with induced operations on A. Let us recall that S is a Semi group and there exists 0,1 such that $x0 = 0 = 0x$ and $1x = x$, for all $x \in S$ then S is called a Semi group with 0,1. An element $a \in S$ is called Birkoff central element of S if there exists Semi groups S_1 and S_2 with 0 and 1 and an isomorphism S onto $S_1 \times S_2$ which maps a onto (0,1). The set of all Birkoff central elements of S is called Birkoff centre of S. This concept is extended to a C-algebra with T and proved that the set of all central elements of a C-algebra with T is itself a C-algebra. For any element $a \in \mathcal{B}(A)$ we defined S_a and proved that it is a C-algebra.

1. C-algebra:

In this section we recall the definition of a C-algebra and some results from [2], [5] and [6]. Let us start with the definition of a C-algebra.

Definition 1.1: [2] By a C-algebra we mean an algebra of type (2, 2, 1) with binary operations \wedge and \vee and unary operation $'$ satisfying the following identities.

- (1) $x'' = x$
- (2) $(x \wedge y)' = x' \vee y'$
- (3) $(x \wedge y) \wedge z = x \wedge (y \wedge z)$
- (4) $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$
- (5) $(x \vee y) \wedge z = (x \wedge z) \vee (y \wedge z)$
- (6) $x \vee (x \wedge y) = x$
- (7) $(x \wedge y) \vee (y \wedge x) = (y \wedge x) \vee (x \wedge y)$.

Example 1.2: [2] The three element algebra $C = \{T, F, U\}$ with the operations given by the following tables is a C-algebra.

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\wedge	T	F	U
T	T	F	U
F	F	F	F
U	U	U	U

\vee	T	F	U
T	T	T	T
F	T	F	U
U	U	U	U

x	x'
T	F
F	T
U	U

Note 1.3: [2] The identities 1.1(1), 1.1(2) imply that the variety of C-algebras satisfies all the dual statements of 1.1(2) to 1.1(7). \wedge and \vee are not commutative in C. The ordinary distributive law of \wedge over \vee fails in C. Every Boolean algebra is a C-algebra.

Now we recall some results on C-algebra collected from [2], [5] and [6].

Lemma 1.4: Every C-algebra satisfies the following identities:

- (1) $x \wedge x = x$
- (2) $x \wedge x' = x' \wedge x$
- (3) $x \wedge y \wedge x = x \wedge y$
- (4) $x \wedge x' \wedge y = x \wedge x'$
- (5) $x \wedge y = (x' \vee y) \wedge x$
- (6) $x \wedge y = x \wedge (y \vee x')$
- (7) $x \wedge y = x \wedge (x' \vee y)$
- (8) $x \wedge y \wedge x' = x \wedge y \wedge y'$
- (9) $(x \vee y) \wedge x = x \vee (y \wedge x)$
- (10) $x \wedge (x' \vee x) = (x' \vee x) \wedge x = (x \vee x') \wedge x = x$.

Duals of the statements in the above lemma are also true in a C-algebra.

Definition 1.5: [5] Let A be a C-algebra with T (T is the identity element for \wedge in A). Then the Boolean centre of A is defined as the set $\mathcal{B}(A) = \{a \in A \mid a \vee a' = T\}$. $\mathcal{B}(A)$ is known to be a Boolean algebra under the operations induced by those on A.

Lemma 1.6: [5] Every C-algebra with T satisfies the law $x \wedge F = x \wedge x'$.

Lemma 1.7: [5] If A is a C-algebra with T and $a \in \mathcal{B}(A)$ then $a \wedge a' = F$.

2. Birkoff Centre:

In this section we define Birkoff centre of a C-algebra and we shall prove various properties. First let us start with the following definition of Birkoff central element.

Definition 2.1: Let A be a C-algebra with \wedge -identity T. An element $a \in A$ is said to be Birkoff central element of a C-algebra A if there exists C-algebras A_1 and A_2 with T and an isomorphism $f: A \rightarrow A_1 \times A_2$ such that $f(a) = (T_1, F_2)$.

Definition 2.2: The set of all Birkoff central elements of a C-algebra A is called Birkoff centre of A and is denoted by $\text{Bir } A$.

Lemma 2.3: Let A be a C-algebra with T. Then $a \in \text{Bir } A \Rightarrow a' \in \text{Bir } A$.

Proof: Let $a \in \text{Bir } A$ then there exist C-algebras A_1, A_2 and an isomorphism $\alpha: A \rightarrow A_1 \times A_2$ such that $\alpha(a) = (T_1, F_2)$.

Now define $g: A \rightarrow A_2 \times A_1$ such that $g(x) = (x_2, x_1)$ whenever $\alpha(x) = (x_1, x_2)$.

Let $x, y \in A$ such that $\alpha(x) = (x_1, x_2)$, $\alpha(y) = (y_1, y_2)$. Then $\alpha(x \wedge y) = (x_1 \wedge y_1, x_2 \wedge y_2)$.

Now, $g(x \wedge y) = (x_2 \wedge y_2, x_1 \wedge y_1) = (x_2, x_1) \wedge (y_2, y_1) = g(x) \wedge g(y)$.

Similarly, we can prove $g(x \vee y) = g(x) \vee g(y)$.

To show $g(x') = [g(x)]'$. Let $\alpha(x) = (x_1, x_2)$. Then $g(x) = (x_2, x_1)$.

$\alpha(x) = (x_1, x_2)$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow (\alpha(x))' &= (x_1, x_2)' = (x_1', x_2') \\ \Rightarrow \alpha(x') &= (x_1', x_2') \quad (\text{since } \alpha \text{ is a homomorphism}) \\ \Rightarrow g(x') &= (x_2', x_1') = (x_2, x_1)' = (g(x))' \end{aligned}$$

Therefore g is a homomorphism. Also $\alpha(a') = (\alpha(a))' = (T_1, F_2)' = (F_1, T_2)$.

Then $g(a') = (T_2, F_1)$. Thus $a' \in \text{Bir } A$. Clearly g is bijective. Therefore g is an isomorphism.

Lemma 2.4: Let A be a C-algebra and $t \in A$ then $tA = \{t \wedge \alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$ is itself a C-algebra by induced operations \wedge and \vee of A and the unary operation defined by $(t \wedge \alpha)^* = t \wedge \alpha'$. Proof is a routine verification.

Lemma 2.5: $\text{Bir } A$ is a C-algebra.

Proof: Let $a, b \in \text{Bir } A$. Then there exist C-algebras A_1, A_2 and A_3, A_4 with T and isomorphisms $f: A \rightarrow A_1 \times A_2$ such that $f(a) = (T_1, F_2)$ and $g: A \rightarrow A_3 \times A_4$ such that $g(b) = (T_3, F_4)$.

Now we have to prove that $a \wedge b \in \text{Bir } A$ that is we have to find an isomorphism $h: A \rightarrow A_5 \times A_6$ such that $h(a \wedge b) = (T_5, F_6)$. Let $g(a) = (t_3, t_4)$ where $t_3 \in A_3$ and $t_4 \in A_4$. Now put $A_5 = t_3 A_3$ where t_3 is meet identity in A_3 , $t_3 \wedge t_3'$ is join identity and $t_3 A_3 = \{t_3 \wedge \alpha \mid \alpha \in A\}$. By lemma 2.4, $t_3 A_3$ is a C-algebra with $T = t_3$. Also put $A_6 = t_4 A_4 \times A_2$, which is also a C-algebra with meet identity $T_6 = (t_4, T_2)$, $F_6 = (t_4 \wedge t_4', F_2)$.

For any $x \in A$, let $f(x) = (s_1, s_2)$ and $g(x) = (x_3, x_4)$ where $x_3 \in A_3, x_4 \in A_4$ and $s_1 \in A_1, s_2 \in A_2$. Now define $h: A \rightarrow A_5 \times A_6$ by $h(x) = (t_3 \wedge x_3, (t_4 \wedge x_4, s_2))$, for any $x \in A$. Then h is well defined.

Let $f(y) = (r_1, r_2)$ and $g(y) = (y_3, y_4)$. Then $f(x \wedge y) = (s_1 \wedge r_1, s_2 \wedge r_2)$,

$$g(x \wedge y) = (x_3 \wedge y_3, x_4 \wedge y_4), f(x') = (s_1', s_2') \text{ and } g(x') = (x_3', x_4').$$

$$\begin{aligned} h(x \wedge y) &= (t_3 \wedge x_3 \wedge y_3, (t_4 \wedge x_4 \wedge y_4, s_2 \wedge r_2)) \\ &= (t_3 \wedge x_3 \wedge t_3 \wedge y_3, (t_4 \wedge x_4 \wedge t_4 \wedge y_4, s_2 \wedge r_2)) \quad (\text{by lemma 1.4(3)}) \\ &= (t_3 \wedge x_3, (t_4 \wedge x_4, s_2)) \wedge (t_3 \wedge y_3, (t_4 \wedge y_4, r_2)) \\ &= h(x) \wedge h(y) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } h(x') &= (t_3 \wedge x_3', (t_4 \wedge x_4', s_2')) \quad (\text{since } (t_3 \wedge x_3)^* = t_3 \wedge x_3') \\ &= (x_3^*, (x_4^*, s_2')) \\ &= (h(x))' \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} h(x \vee y) &= (t_3 \wedge (x_3 \vee y_3), (t_4 \wedge (x_4 \vee y_4), s_2 \vee r_2)) \\ &= ((t_3 \wedge x_3) \vee (t_3 \wedge y_3), ((t_4 \wedge x_4) \vee (t_4 \wedge y_4), s_2 \vee r_2)) \\ &= (t_3 \wedge x_3, (t_4 \wedge x_4, s_2)) \vee (t_3 \wedge y_3, (t_4 \wedge y_4, r_2)) \\ &= h(x) \vee h(y) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore h is a homomorphism.

To show h is one-one, first we prove $h(a \wedge b) = (T_5, F_6)$.

We have $f(a) = (T_1, F_2)$, $g(a) = (t_3, t_4)$, $g(b) = (T_3, F_4)$, $f(b) = (n_1, n_2)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } h(a \wedge b) &= h(a) \wedge h(b) \quad (\text{since } h \text{ is a homomorphism}) \\ &= (t_3 \wedge t_3, (t_4 \wedge t_4, F_2)) \wedge (t_3 \wedge T_3, (t_4 \wedge F_4, n_2)) = (t_3, (t_4 \wedge F_4, F_2)) \\ &= (t_3, t_4 \wedge t_4', F_2) \quad (\text{since by Lemma 1.5}) \\ &= (T_5, F_6) \end{aligned}$$

Let $x, y \in A$ such that $h(x) = h(y)$. Then $t_3 \wedge x_3 = t_3 \wedge y_3$, $t_4 \wedge x_4 = t_4 \wedge y_4$ and $s_2 = r_2$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } g(a) \wedge g(x) &= (t_3, t_4) \wedge (x_3, x_4) \\ &= (t_3 \wedge x_3, t_4 \wedge x_4) \\ &= (t_3 \wedge y_3, t_4 \wedge y_4) \\ &= g(a) \wedge g(y) \end{aligned}$$

Since g is a homomorphism, $g(a \wedge x) = g(a \wedge y)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\Rightarrow a \wedge x = a \wedge y && \text{(since } g \text{ is one-one)} \\
 &\Rightarrow f(a \wedge x) = f(a \wedge y) && \text{(since } f \text{ is well defined)} \\
 &\Rightarrow f(a) \wedge f(x) = f(a) \wedge f(y) && \text{(since } f \text{ is a homomorphism)} \\
 &\Rightarrow (T_1, F_2) \wedge (s_1, s_2) = (T_1, F_2) \wedge (r_1, r_2) \\
 &\Rightarrow (T_1 \wedge s_1, F_2 \wedge s_2) = (T_1 \wedge r_1, F_2 \wedge r_2) \\
 &\Rightarrow (s_1, F_2) = (r_1, F_2) \\
 &\Rightarrow s_1 = r_1, s_2 = r_2 \\
 &\Rightarrow (s_1, s_2) = (r_1, r_2) \\
 &\Rightarrow f(x) = f(y) \\
 &\Rightarrow x = y && \text{(since } f \text{ is one-one)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore h is one-one.

Let $(x, y) \in A_5 \times A_6$. Then $(x, y) = (t_3 \wedge x_3, (t_4 \wedge x_4, s_2))$ for some $x_3 \in A_3, x_4 \in A_4, s_2 \in A_2$.

Since, $t_3 \wedge x_3 \in t_3 A_3 \subseteq A_3, (t_3 \wedge x_3, t_4 \wedge x_4) \in A_3 \times A_4$ and g is onto, there exists $t \in A$ such that $g(t) = (t_3 \wedge x_3, t_4 \wedge x_4)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now } g(a \wedge t) &= g(a) \wedge g(t) \\
 &= (t_3, t_4) \wedge (t_3 \wedge x_3, t_4 \wedge x_4) \\
 &= (t_3 \wedge t_3 \wedge x_3, t_4 \wedge t_4 \wedge x_4) \\
 &= (t_3 \wedge x_3, t_4 \wedge x_4) \\
 &= g(t)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Therefore } g(a \wedge t) = g(t) \tag{1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\Rightarrow a \wedge t = t && \text{(since } g \text{ is one-one)} \\
 &\Rightarrow f(a \wedge t) = f(t) && \text{(since } f \text{ is well defined)} \\
 &\Rightarrow f(a) \wedge f(t) = f(t) && \text{(since } f \text{ is a homomorphism)} \\
 &\Rightarrow (T_1, F_2) \wedge (y_1, y_2) = (y_1, y_2) && \text{(since } t \in A) \\
 &\Rightarrow f(t) = (y_1, y_2) \\
 &\Rightarrow (T_1 \wedge y_1, F_2 \wedge y_2) = (y_1, y_2) \\
 &\Rightarrow (y_1, F_2) = (y_1, y_2) \\
 &\Rightarrow y_2 = F_2
 \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Now, $y_1 \in A_1$ and $s_2 \in A_2$ then $(y_1, s_2) \in A_1 \times A_2$. Since f is onto there exists $n \in A$ such that $f(n) = (y_1, s_2)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now } f(a \wedge n) &= f(a) \wedge f(n) \\
 &= (T_1, F_2) \wedge (y_1, s_2) \\
 &= (T_1 \wedge y_1, F_2 \wedge s_2) \\
 &= (y_1, F_2) \\
 &= f(t) \text{ (by (2))}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Since } f \text{ is one-one } a \wedge n = t \text{ and } g \text{ is well defined } g(a \wedge n) = g(t) \tag{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Also } n \in A &\Rightarrow g(n) = (z_1, z_2) \\
 (t_3 \wedge t_3 \wedge x_3, t_4 \wedge t_4 \wedge x_4) &= g(a \wedge t) \\
 &= g(t) && \text{(since by (1))} \\
 &= g(a \wedge n) && \text{(since by (3))} \\
 &= g(a) \wedge g(n) && \text{(since } g \text{ is a homomorphism)} \\
 &= (t_3, x_4) \wedge (z_1, z_2) \\
 &= (t_3 \wedge z_1, t_4 \wedge z_2).
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Therefore } t_3 \wedge t_3 \wedge x_3 = t_3 \wedge z_1 \text{ and } t_4 \wedge t_4 \wedge x_4 = t_4 \wedge z_2 \tag{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now, } h(n) &= (t_3 \wedge z_1, (t_4 \wedge z_2, s_2)) \\
 &= (t_3 \wedge t_3 \wedge x_3, (t_4 \wedge t_4 \wedge x_4, s_2)) && \text{(since by (4))} \\
 &= (t_3 \wedge x_3, (t_4 \wedge x_4, s_2)) \\
 &= (x, y)
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore h is onto. Since $a, b \in \text{Bir } A$ imply $a \wedge b \in \text{Bir } A$ and by Lemma 2.3, $a \in \text{Bir } A \Rightarrow a' \in \text{Bir } A$ also $a \vee b$ also belong to $\text{Bir } A$. Therefore $\text{Bir } A$ is sub algebra of a C-algebra A and hence $\text{Bir } A$ is a C-algebra.

Let us recall the definition of Centre of a C-algebra defined in [5].

Let A be a C-algebra with identity T . Then the Centre of A is defined as the set

$$\mathcal{B}(A) = \{a \in A \mid a \vee a' = T\}. \mathcal{B}(A) \text{ is known to be a Boolean algebra under the operations induced by those on } A.$$

Lemma 2.6: Let $a \in \mathcal{B}(A)$ then $a \wedge x = a \Leftrightarrow a \vee x = x$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proof: } a \vee x &= (a \wedge x) \vee x \\ &= (a \vee x) \wedge (a' \vee x) \\ &= (a \wedge a') \vee x \\ &= F \vee x \quad (\text{by Lemma 1.6}) \\ &= x \end{aligned}$$

Conversely, $a \wedge x = a \wedge (a \vee x) = a$.

Now, for any C-algebra A and $a \in \mathcal{B}(A)$ we define S_a and prove that it is a C-algebra.

Lemma 2.7: Let A be a C-algebra A and $a \in \mathcal{B}(A)$. If $S_a = \{x \in A \mid a \wedge x = a\}$ then S_a is a C-algebra.

Proof: Let $x, y, z \in S_a$. Then $a \wedge x = a$, $a \wedge y = a$ and $a \wedge z = a$

$$\text{Since } a \wedge (x \vee y) = (a \wedge x) \vee (a \wedge y) = a \vee a = a, x \vee y \in S_a$$

$$\text{Also, since } a \wedge (x \wedge y) = (a \wedge x) \wedge (a \wedge y) = a \wedge a = a, x \wedge y \in S_a$$

Define $x^* = a \vee x'$. Since $a \wedge (a \vee x') = a'$, $a \vee x' \in S_a$

$$\begin{aligned} x^{**} &= (a \vee x')^* \\ &= a \vee (a \vee x')' \quad (\text{by Definition 1.1(2)}) \\ &= a \vee (a' \wedge x) \\ &= a \vee x \quad (\text{by dual of 1.4(7)}) \\ &= (a \wedge x) \vee x \\ &= (a \vee x) \wedge (a' \vee x \vee x) \\ &= (a \wedge a') \vee x \\ &= x \end{aligned}$$

$$(x \wedge y)^* = a \vee (x \wedge y)' = a \vee (x' \vee y') = a' \vee x' \vee a \vee y' = x^* \vee y^*.$$

$$a \wedge [(x \vee y) \wedge z] = a \Rightarrow a \vee [(x \vee y) \wedge z] = (x \vee y) \wedge z \quad (\text{by Lemma 2.6})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } (x \vee y) \wedge z &= a \vee [(x \vee y) \wedge z] \\ &= a \vee [(x \wedge z) \vee (x' \wedge y \wedge z)] \\ &= a \vee (x \wedge z) \vee (x' \wedge y \wedge z) \\ &= (a \vee x) \wedge (a \vee z) \vee [(a \vee x') \wedge (a \vee (y \wedge z))] \\ &= (x \wedge z) \vee [(a \vee x') \wedge (a \wedge y) \wedge (a \vee z)] \\ &= (x \wedge z) \vee [x' \wedge y \wedge z]. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore S_a is a C-algebra.

Lemma 2.8: Let A be a C-algebra and $a \in \mathcal{B}(A)$. Then $f_a: A \rightarrow S_a$ is an antihomomorphism.

Proof: Define $f_a: A \rightarrow S_a$ by $f_a(x) = a \vee x'$

$$f_a(x \wedge y) = a \vee (x \wedge y)' = a \vee (x' \vee y') = (a \vee x') \vee (a \vee y') = f_a(x) \vee f_a(y)$$

$$f_a(x \vee y) = a \vee (x' \wedge y') = (a \vee x') \wedge (a \vee y') = f_a(x) \wedge f_a(y)$$

$$[f_a(x)]^* = (a \vee x')^* = a \vee (a \vee x')' = a \vee (a' \wedge x) = a \vee x = a \vee (x')' = f_a(x').$$

Therefore $f_a: A \rightarrow S_a$ is an antihomomorphism.

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