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## VARIETIES SATISFYING IDEAL EQUALITIES

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Congruence permutability ( $\Phi \cdot \Theta = \Theta \cdot \Phi$ ) as well as congruence distributivity ( $\Psi \wedge (\Theta \vee \Phi) = (\Psi \wedge \Theta) \vee (\Psi \wedge \Phi)$ ) belong to the fundamental congruence equalities in universal algebra. Varieties of algebras with permutable congruences were described by A. I. Malcev in his pioneering paper [8], varieties satisfying the second equality were characterized by B. Jónsson, see [6, 7]. Weaker modifications of congruence permutability and/or distributivity were introduced for varieties with constant 0 as follows:

The equality  $[0] \Psi \cdot \Theta = [0] \Theta \cdot \Psi$  is called *congruence permutability at 0*, see [3] and [5]; the equality  $[0] \Psi \wedge (\Theta \vee \Phi) = [0] (\Psi \wedge \Theta) \vee (\Psi \wedge \Phi)$  is named *distributivity at 0*, see [2].

Malcev's conditions for varieties permutable at 0 (distributive at 0) were already given in [5] ([2], respectively). Using the concept of an ideal in universal algebra, see [1], [5], [9], we can consider the following ideal equalities:

Let  $\mathbf{K}$  be a class of algebras of the same type having a constant 0. Let  $I$  be an ideal in  $A \in \mathbf{K}$  and  $\Psi, \Theta, \Theta_1, \Theta_2$  be congruences on  $A$ . The equality  $[I] \Psi \cdot \Theta = [I] \Theta \cdot \Psi$  is called *ideal permutability* and the equality

$$[I] \Psi \wedge (\Theta_1 \vee \Theta_2) = [I] (\Psi \wedge \Theta_1) \vee (\Psi \wedge \Theta_2)$$

is called *ideal distributivity* in the sequel.

The aim of this paper is to describe varieties satisfying the last two ideal equalities. For this reason let us recall from [1], [5] and [9]:

**Definition 0.** Let  $\mathbf{K}$  be a class of algebras of the same type with constant 0.

- (i) A term  $\mathbf{t}(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) = \mathbf{t}(x_1, \dots, x_m, y_1, \dots, y_n)$  is called an *ideal term* in  $\vec{y}$  if  $\mathbf{t}(\vec{x}, \vec{0}) = 0$  is an identity in  $\mathbf{K}$ .
- (ii) A nonempty subset  $I$  of  $A \in \mathbf{K}$  is called an *ideal* if for every ideal term  $\mathbf{t}(\vec{x}, \vec{y})$  in  $\vec{y}$ ,  $\vec{a} \in A^m$ ,  $\vec{i} \in I^n$  it holds  $\mathbf{t}(\vec{a}, \vec{i}) \in I$ .

The following easy lemma justifies the title of the present paper:

**Lemma 1.** Let  $\mathbf{K}$  be a class of algebras of the same type with constant 0. For every ideal  $I$  of  $A \in \mathbf{K}$  and each congruence  $\Theta \in \text{Con } A$ , the subset

$$[I] \Theta = \cup \{[i] \Theta; i \in I\}$$

of  $A$  is again an ideal of  $A$ .

Proof. Let  $\mathbf{t}(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) = \mathbf{t}(x_1, \dots, x_m, y_1, \dots, y_n)$  be an ideal term in  $\vec{y}$ . Take  $\vec{a} = \langle a_1, \dots, a_m \rangle \in A^m$  and  $\vec{b} = \langle b_1, \dots, b_n \rangle \in ([I]\Theta)^n$ . Evidently,  $b_j \in [I]\Theta$  means that  $b_j \Theta i_j$  for some element  $i_j \in I, j = 1, \dots, n$ . Denote  $\vec{i} = \langle i_1, \dots, i_n \rangle \in I^n$ . Then  $\mathbf{t}(\vec{a}, \vec{b}) \Theta \mathbf{t}(\vec{a}, \vec{i}) \in I$  or equivalently,  $\mathbf{t}(\vec{a}, \vec{b}) \in [I]\Theta$ , which was to be proved.  $\square$

**Definition 1.** Let  $\mathbf{K}$  be a class of algebras of the same type with constant 0. An algebra  $A \in \mathbf{K}$  is *ideal permutable* whenever  $[I]\Theta \cdot \Psi = [I]\Psi \cdot \Theta$  holds for each ideal  $I$  of  $A$  and each  $\Theta, \Psi \in \text{Con } A$ .  $\mathbf{K}$  is *ideal permutable* if each  $A \in \mathbf{K}$  has this property.

**Lemma 2.** Let  $A$  be an algebra with constant 0 and  $R, S, T$  be subalgebras of the direct product  $A \times A$  (i.e. they are the compatible relations on  $A$ ). Then

- (a)  $[0]R \cdot S = [[0]R]S$ ;
- (b)  $[0]R \cdot S \cdot T = [0]S \cdot R \cdot T$  whenever  $[0]R \cdot S = [0]S \cdot R$ ;
- (c)  $[0]R \cdot S = [0]R \vee S$  whenever  $R, S$  are congruences and

$$[0]R \cdot S = [0]S \cdot R.$$

For the proof, see Lemma 1 and Theorem 2 in [3]. Now, we are ready to prove

**Theorem 1.** Let  $\mathbf{V}$  be a variety with constant 0. The following conditions are equivalent:

- (1)  $\mathbf{V}$  is ideal permutable;
- (2)  $\mathbf{V}$  is permutable at 0;
- (3) there is a binary term  $\mathbf{s}$  such that

$$\mathbf{s}(x, x) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{s}(x, 0) = x$$

are identities in  $\mathbf{V}$ .

Proof. (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) is trivial. (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) can be found in the proof of Corollary 1.9 in [5], see also [3]. It remains to prove (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). Let  $I$  be an arbitrary ideal of an algebra  $A \in \mathbf{V}$  and  $\Theta, \Psi \in \text{Con } A$ . The proof of Corollary 1.9 in [5] yields that  $I = [0]\Phi$  for some  $\Phi \in \text{Con } A$ . By Theorem 1 in [3], (3) implies permutability at 0, hence

$$\begin{aligned} [I]\Theta \cdot \Psi &= [[0]\Phi]\Theta \cdot \Psi = [0]\Phi \cdot \Theta \cdot \Psi = [[0]\Phi \cdot \Theta]\Psi = \\ &= [[0]\Phi \vee \Theta]\Psi = [[0]\Psi]\Phi \vee \Theta \supseteq [[0]\Psi]\Phi \cdot \Theta = \\ &= [0]\Psi \cdot \Phi \cdot \Theta = [[0]\Psi \cdot \Phi] \cdot \Theta = [[0]\Phi \cdot \Psi]\Theta = \\ &= [[0]\Phi]\Psi \cdot \Theta = [I]\Psi \cdot \Theta. \end{aligned}$$

By symmetry the converse inclusion  $[I]\Theta \cdot \Psi \subseteq [I]\Psi \cdot \Theta$  follows.  $\square$

**Definition 2.** Let  $\mathbf{K}$  be a class of algebras of the same type with constant 0. An algebra  $A \in \mathbf{K}$  is *ideal distributive* whenever

$$[I]\Psi \wedge (\Theta_1 \vee \Theta_2) = [I](\Psi \wedge \Theta_1) \vee (\Psi \wedge \Theta_2)$$

holds for each ideal  $I$  of  $A$  and every congruence  $\Psi, \Theta_1, \Theta_2 \in \text{Con } A$ .  $K$  is ideal distributive if each  $A \in K$  has this property.

**Theorem 2.** Let  $\mathbf{V}$  be a variety of algebras with constant 0. The following conditions are equivalent:

- (1)  $\mathbf{V}$  is ideal distributive;
- (2) there exist an integer  $n > 1$  and ternary terms

$d_0, \dots, d_n$  such that

$$d_0(x, y, z) = x, d_n(x, y, 0) = 0$$

$$d_i(x, y, x) = x \text{ for } 0 \leq i \leq n$$

$$d_i(x, x, z) = d_{i+1}(x, x, z) \text{ for } i < n \text{ even}$$

$$d_i(x, z, z) = d_{i+1}(x, z, z) \text{ for } i < n \text{ odd.}$$

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): Let  $A = F_V(x, y, z)$  be the free algebra in  $\mathbf{V}$  with free generators  $x, y, z$ . Let  $I = I(z)$  be the principal ideal in  $A$  generated by  $z$  and put  $\Psi = \Theta(x, z)$ ,  $\Theta_1 = \Theta(x, y)$ ,  $\Theta_2 = \Theta(y, z)$ . Then  $x \in [I] \Psi \wedge (\Theta_1 \vee \Theta_2)$  and so  $x \in [I] (\Psi \wedge \Theta_1) \vee (\Psi \wedge \Theta_2)$ , by the hypothesis. Hence, there exist elements  $d_0, \dots, d_n \in A$  such that  $x = d_0, d_n \in I(z)$  and

$$\langle d_i, d_{i+1} \rangle \in \Theta(x, z) \text{ for } 0 \leq i < n$$

$$\langle d_i, d_{i+1} \rangle \in \Theta(x, y) \text{ for } i < n \text{ even}$$

$$\langle d_i, d_{i+1} \rangle \in \Theta(y, z) \text{ for } i < n \text{ odd.}$$

The fact  $d_n(x, y, z) \in I(z)$  implies  $d_n(x, y, 0) = 0$ . Other identities of (2) can be proved by a standard procedure.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Let  $\Psi, \Theta_1, \Theta_2 \in \text{Con } A$  for some  $A \in \mathbf{V}$ . Suppose  $I$  is an ideal of  $A$  and  $a \in [I] \Psi \wedge (\Theta_1 \vee \Theta_2)$ . Then

$$\langle a, i \rangle \in \Psi \wedge (\Theta_1 \vee \Theta_2)$$

for some  $i \in I$ . From  $\langle a, i \rangle \in \Theta_1 \vee \Theta_2$  we obtain elements  $c_0, \dots, c_k \in A$  such that

$$a = c_0 \Theta_1 c_1 \dots c_{k-1} \Theta_2 c_k = i.$$

Consequently

$$d_j(a, a, i) \Theta_1 d_j(a, c_1, i) \dots d_j(a, c_{k-1}, i) \Theta_2 d_j(a, i, i), \quad 0 \leq j \leq n.$$

Combine this with  $\langle a, i \rangle \in \Psi$  and with identities  $d_j(x, y, x) = x$  from (2), we obtain

$$d_j(a, a, i) (\Psi \wedge \Theta_1) d_j(a, c_1, i) \dots d_j(a, c_{k-1}, i) (\Psi \wedge \Theta_2) d_j(a, i, i)$$

for  $0 \leq j \leq n$ . Applying other identities from (2), we have

$$a (\Psi \wedge \Theta_1) \vee (\Psi \wedge \Theta_2) d_n(a, i, i)$$

by transitivity. Since  $d_n$  is an ideal term in the third variable,  $d_n(a, i, i) \in I$  holds.

Thus

$$a \in [I](\Psi \wedge \Theta_1) \vee (\Psi \wedge \Theta_2). \quad \square$$

**Remark 1.** Contrary to Theorem 1, ideal distributive varieties do not coincide with varieties distributive at 0. The mentioned classes are separated by the following

**Example.** It is already known (see [2]) that  $\wedge$ -semilattices with 0 are distributive at 0. Now suppose the identities (2) of Theorem 2 are satisfied in a variety of  $\wedge$ -semilattices with 0. Then we state that  $d_i(x, y, z) = x$  for  $0 \leq i \leq n$ .

(a) For  $i = 0$  the assertion holds trivial.

(b) Let  $d_k(x, y, z) = x$  for some  $k$ ,  $0 \leq k < n$ .

Then  $d_{k+1}(x, x, z) = d_k(x, x, z) = x$  if  $k$  is even, or

$d_{k+1}(x, z, z) = d_k(x, z, z) = x$  if  $k$  is odd.

In both cases  $d_{k+1}$  does not depend on the third variable. Further, the identity  $d_{k+1}(x, y, x) = x$  implies that  $d_{k+1}$  does not depend on the second variable, too. Hence  $d_{k+1}(x, y, z) = x$  (since there are no other unary terms in semilattices). Consequently,  $d_n(x, y, z) = x$ . Combining this fact with  $d_n(x, y, 0) = 0$ , we find  $x = 0$ , which is a contradiction.  $\square$

**Corollary 1.** Let  $\mathbf{V}$  be a variety permutable at 0. The following conditions are equivalent:

(1)  $\mathbf{V}$  is ideal distributive;

(2)  $\mathbf{V}$  is distributive at 0.

**Proof.** Only (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) is needed: let  $I$  be an ideal of  $A \in \mathbf{V}$  and  $\Psi, \Theta_1, \Theta_2 \in \text{Con } A$ . The permutability at 0 yields a congruence  $\Phi$  on  $A$  such that  $I = [0]\Phi$ , see [5]. Then

$$\begin{aligned} [I]\Psi \wedge (\Theta_1 \vee \Theta_2) &= [[0]\Phi]\Psi \wedge (\Theta_1 \vee \Theta_2) = [[0]\Psi \wedge (\Theta_1 \vee \Theta_2)]\Phi = \\ &= [[0](\Psi \wedge \Theta_1) \vee (\Psi \wedge \Theta_2)]\Phi = [[0]\Phi](\Psi \wedge \Theta_1) \vee (\Psi \wedge \Theta_2) = \\ &= [I](\Psi \wedge \Theta_1) \vee (\Psi \wedge \Theta_2), \end{aligned}$$

by Lemma 2.  $\square$

One can easily verify that the ideal equality  $[I]\Theta_1 \wedge \Theta_2 = [I]\Theta_1 \wedge [I]\Theta_2$  does not hold in every variety of algebras, see, e.g., the variety of  $\wedge$ -semilattices with 0.

**Definition 3.** Let  $\mathbf{K}$  be a class of algebras of the same type with constant 0 and  $u$  be an  $n$ -ary ( $n \geq 3$ ) term in  $\mathbf{K}$ .  $u$  is called an *ideal near unanimity term* whenever it satisfies the following identities:

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, 0, \dots, 0) &= 0 \\ u(x, y, x, \dots, x) &= x \\ u(x, x, y, x, \dots, x) &= x \\ &\vdots \\ u(x, x, \dots, x, y) &= x. \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3.** Let  $\mathbf{V}$  be a variety with constant 0. The following conditions are equivalent:

(1) for each ideal  $I$  of every  $A \in \mathbf{V}$  and each  $\Theta_1, \dots, \Theta_n \in \text{Con } A$ ,

$$[I] \bigwedge_{i \leq n} \Theta_i = \bigwedge_{i \leq n} [I] \Theta_i;$$

(2) there is an  $(n + 1)$ -ary ideal near unanimity term  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $\mathbf{V}$ .

**Proof.** The equivalence (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (2) will be shown for  $n = 2$  only. For  $n > 2$  the argumentation can be modified in an evident way.

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): Take  $A = F_V(x, y, z) \in \mathbf{V}$ ,  $I = I(x, y)$  and  $\Theta_1 = \Theta(x, z)$ ,  $\Theta_2 = \Theta(y, z)$ . Then  $z \in [I] \Theta_1 \wedge [I] \Theta_2$  and so

$$z \in [I] \Theta_1 \wedge [I] \Theta_2 = [I(x, y)] \Theta(x, z) \wedge \Theta(x, z).$$

By Lemma 1.2 in [5], we have a 5-ary term  $\mathbf{p}$  such that  $\mathbf{p}(x, y, z, 0, 0) = 0$  and

$$\langle z, \mathbf{p}(x, y, z, x, y) \rangle \in \Theta(x, z) \wedge \Theta(y, z).$$

This statement implies

$$\mathbf{p}(x, y, x, x, y) = x, \quad \mathbf{p}(x, y, y, x, y) = y.$$

Introduce the ternary term  $\mathbf{u}$  by

$$\mathbf{u}(a, b, c) = \mathbf{p}(b, c, a, b, c).$$

Then clearly

$$\mathbf{u}(x, 0, 0) = \mathbf{p}(0, 0, x, 0, 0) = 0$$

$$\mathbf{u}(x, y, x) = \mathbf{p}(y, x, x, y, x) = x$$

$$\mathbf{u}(x, x, y) = \mathbf{p}(x, y, x, x, y) = y$$

as required.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Let  $I$  be an ideal of  $A \in \mathbf{V}$  and  $\Theta_1, \Theta_2 \in \text{Con } A$ . We have to prove the inclusion

$$[I] \Theta_1 \wedge [I] \Theta_2 \subseteq [I] \Theta_1 \wedge \Theta_2.$$

Suppose  $a \in [I] \Theta_1 \wedge [I] \Theta_2$ . Then  $\langle i_1, a \rangle \in \Theta_1$  and  $\langle i_2, a \rangle \in \Theta_2$  for some  $i_1, i_2 \in I$ . Consider the element  $\mathbf{u}(a, i_1, i_2)$ . Using (2), we find that  $\mathbf{u}(a, i_1, i_2) \in I$  and

$$a = \mathbf{u}(a, a, i_2) \Theta_1 \mathbf{u}(a, i_1, i_2)$$

$$a = \mathbf{u}(a, i_1, a) \Theta_2 \mathbf{u}(a, i_1, i_2).$$

Hence  $\langle a, \mathbf{u}(a, i_1, i_2) \rangle \in \Theta_1 \wedge \Theta_2$ , i.e.  $a \in [I] \Theta_1 \in \Theta_2$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.** Let  $\mathbf{V}$  be a variety with constant 0 and  $\mathbf{u}$  be an  $n$ -ary near unanimity term in  $\mathbf{V}$ . Then  $\mathbf{V}$  is ideal distributive with  $2n - 1$  characterizing ternary terms  $\mathbf{d}_0, \dots, \mathbf{d}_{2n-2}$ .

**Proof.** Put  $\mathbf{d}_0(x, y, z) = x$

$$\mathbf{d}_1(x, y, z) = \mathbf{u}(x, y, z, x, \dots, x)$$

and for  $0 < k \leq n - 1$  put

$$d_{2k}(x, y, z) = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u}(x, y, z, x, \dots, x), \dots, \mathbf{u}(x, y, z, x, \dots, x), \underbrace{z, \dots, z}_{k \text{ times}})$$

$$\begin{aligned} d_{2k+1}(x, y, z) &= \\ &= \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u}(x, y, z, x, \dots, x), \dots, \mathbf{u}(x, y, z, x, \dots, x), \mathbf{u}(y, \dots, y, z), \underbrace{z, \dots, z}_{k \text{ times}}) \end{aligned}$$

Then

(a)  $d_0(x, y, z) = x$  and

$$d_{2n-2}(x, y, 0) = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u}(x, y, 0, x, \dots, x), 0, \dots, 0) = 0.$$

(b)  $d_0(x, y, x) = x$

$$d_1(x, y, x) = \mathbf{u}(x, y, x, \dots, x) = x$$

$$\begin{aligned} d_{2k}(x, y, x) &= \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u}(x, y, x, \dots, x), \dots, \mathbf{u}(x, y, x, \dots, x), x, \dots, x) = \\ &= \mathbf{u}(x, \dots, x) = x \end{aligned}$$

$$d_{2k+1}(x, y, x) =$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u}(x, y, x, \dots, x), \dots, \mathbf{u}(x, y, x, \dots, x), \mathbf{u}(y, \dots, y, x), x, \dots, x) = \\ &= \mathbf{u}(x, \dots, x, \mathbf{u}(y, \dots, y, x), x, \dots, x) = x, \end{aligned}$$

thus  $d_i(x, y, x) = x$  for all  $i = 0, \dots, 2n - 2$ .

(c) Let  $i$  be even. If  $i = 0$ , then

$$d_0(x, x, z) = x = \mathbf{u}(x, x, z, x, \dots, x) = d_1(x, x, z).$$

If  $i > 0$ , then  $i = 2k$  for  $k > 0$  and

$$\begin{aligned} d_{2k}(x, x, z) &= \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u}(x, x, z, x, \dots, x), \dots, \mathbf{u}(x, x, z, x, \dots, x), \underbrace{z, \dots, z}_{k \text{ times}}) = \\ &= \mathbf{u}(x, \dots, x, \underbrace{z, \dots, z}_{k \text{ times}}); \end{aligned}$$

$$d_{2k+1}(x, x, z) =$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u}(x, x, z, x, \dots, x), \dots, \mathbf{u}(x, x, z, x, \dots, x), \mathbf{u}(x, \dots, x, z), z, \dots, z) = \\ &= \mathbf{u}(x, \dots, x, \underbrace{z, \dots, z}_{k \text{ times}}), \end{aligned}$$

thus  $d_i(x, x, z) = d_{i+1}(x, x, z)$  for  $i$  even.

(d) Let  $i$  be odd. If  $i = 1$ , then

$$d_1(x, z, z) = \mathbf{u}(x, z, z, x, \dots, x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} d_2(x, z, z) &= \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u}(x, z, z, x, \dots, x), \dots, \mathbf{u}(x, z, z, x, \dots, x), z) = \\ &= \mathbf{u}(x, z, z, x, \dots, x), \end{aligned}$$

i.e.  $\mathbf{d}_1(x, z, z) = \mathbf{d}_2(x, z, z)$ .

If  $i > 1$ , then  $i = 2k + 1$  for  $k > 0$  and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{d}_{2k+1}(x, z, z) &= \\
 &= \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u}(x, z, z, x, \dots, x), \dots, \mathbf{u}(x, z, z, x, \dots, x), \underbrace{\mathbf{u}(z, \dots, z), z, \dots, z}_{k \text{ times}}) = \\
 &= \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u}(x, z, z, x, \dots, x), \dots, \mathbf{u}(x, z, z, x, \dots, x), \underbrace{z, \dots, z}_{k+1 \text{ times}}) = \\
 &= \mathbf{d}_{2k+2}(x, z, z).
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\mathbf{d}_i(x, z, z) = \mathbf{d}_{i+1}(x, z, z) \quad \text{for all } i \text{ odd.}$$

The proof is complete.  $\square$

It is evident that the existence of some  $n$ -ary ideal near unanimity term follows from the existence of a ternary ideal near unanimity term. Moreover, for varieties with a ternary ideal near unanimity term there holds the following

**Theorem 5.** *Let  $\mathbf{V}$  be a variety with constant 0. The following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1)  $\mathbf{V}$  is ideal distributive with three characterizing ternary terms  $\mathbf{d}_0, \mathbf{d}_1, \mathbf{d}_2$ .
- (2)  $\mathbf{V}$  has a ternary ideal near unanimity term.

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): By hypothesis, we have ternary terms  $\mathbf{d}_0, \mathbf{d}_1, \mathbf{d}_2$  such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{d}_0(x, y, z) &= x, & \mathbf{d}_2(x, y, 0) &= 0, \\
 \mathbf{d}_1(x, y, x) &= \mathbf{d}_2(x, y, x) = x \\
 \mathbf{d}_1(x, x, z) &= x \\
 \mathbf{d}_1(x, z, z) &= \mathbf{d}_2(x, z, z).
 \end{aligned}$$

Apparently,  $\mathbf{d}_1(x, y, z)$  is a ternary ideal near unanimity term in  $\mathbf{V}$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Let  $\mathbf{u}$  be a ternary ideal near unanimity term in  $\mathbf{V}$ . Put

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{d}_0(x, y, z) &= x, \\
 \mathbf{d}_1(x, y, z) &= \mathbf{u}(x, y, z), \\
 \mathbf{d}_2(x, y, z) &= \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u}(x, z, z), z, \mathbf{u}(x, y, y)).
 \end{aligned}$$

Then

- (a)  $\mathbf{d}_0(x, y, z) = x$   
 $\mathbf{d}_2(x, y, 0) = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u}(x, 0, 0), 0, \mathbf{u}(x, y, y)) = \mathbf{u}(0, 0, \mathbf{u}(x, y, y)) = 0$ .
- (b)  $\mathbf{d}_1(x, y, x) = \mathbf{u}(x, y, x) = x$   
 $\mathbf{d}_2(x, y, x) = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u}(x, x, x), x, \mathbf{u}(x, y, y)) = \mathbf{u}(x, x, \mathbf{u}(x, y, y)) = x$ .
- (c) for  $i$  even, we have only  
 $\mathbf{d}_0(x, x, z) = x = \mathbf{u}(x, x, z) = \mathbf{d}_1(x, x, z)$ .
- (d) for  $i$  odd, we have only  
 $\mathbf{d}_1(x, z, z) = \mathbf{u}(x, z, z) = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u}(x, z, z), z, \mathbf{u}(x, z, z)) = \mathbf{d}_2(x, z, z)$ .  $\square$



Assuming the permutability at 0, the foregoing theorem yields immediately:  
**Corollary 2.** *Let  $\mathbf{V}$  be a variety permutable at 0. The following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1)  $\mathbf{V}$  has an ideal near unanimity term;
- (2)  $\mathbf{V}$  is distributive at 0.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) follows directly from Theorem 5. Prove (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): Let  $I$  be an ideal of  $A \in \mathbf{V}$  and  $\Theta_1, \Theta_2 \in \text{Con } A$ . By the permutability at 0,  $I = [0]\Phi$  for some congruence  $\Phi \in \text{Con } A$ . Then

$$[I]\Theta_1 \wedge \Theta_2 = [[0]\Phi]\Theta_1 \wedge \Theta_2 = [0]\Phi \vee (\Theta_1 \wedge \Theta_2).$$

Using Lemma 2 of [3], we have

$$[0]\Phi \vee (\Theta_1 \wedge \Theta_2) = [0](\Phi \vee \Theta_1) \wedge (\Phi \vee \Theta_2),$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} [I]\Theta_1 \wedge \Theta_2 &= [0](\Phi \vee \Theta_1) \wedge [0](\Phi \vee \Theta_2) = \\ &= [[0]\Phi]\Theta_1 \wedge [[0]\Phi]\Theta_2 = [I]\Theta_1 \wedge [I]\Theta_2. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3 completes the proof.  $\square$

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## МНОГООБРАЗИЯ, ВЫПОЛНЯЮЩИЕ ИДЕАЛНЫЕ ЭКВИВАЛЕНТНОСТИ

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### Резюме

Гумм и Урсини ввели концепт идеала универсальной алгебры. Мы даем концепт идеално перестановочных и идеално дистрибутивных конгруэнций и характеризуем многообразия таких алгебр условиями Мальцева.