# 6. Axiom Systems of B-algebra. III 

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In this paper, we shall give an algebraic formulation of the axiom system of propositional calculus given by Lukasiewicz and Tarski (see [1]), and prove that this axiom system is equivalent to a $B$-algebra defined by K. Iséki (see [2].)

Let $\langle X, 0, *, \sim\rangle$ be an abstract algebra satisfying axioms:
(1) $x * w \leqslant(x *((((u * t) *(s * t) *((u * s) * r)) *((\sim t * s)$

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* \sim r))) *((y * z) * y) .
$$

(2) $0 \leqslant x$.
$D 1$ If $x \leqslant y$ and $y \leqslant x$, then we put $x=y$.
$D 2 x \leqslant y$ means $x * y=0$.
(For details of the notions, see [2].)
In his paper [2], K. Iséki defines the notions of $B$-algebra $\langle X, 0, *, \sim\rangle$. The axioms are given by the following conditions:

B $1 \quad x * y \leqslant x$,
B $2(x * z) *(y * z) \leqslant(x * y) * z$,
B $3 x * y \leqslant \sim y * \sim x$,
B $4 \quad 0 \leqslant x$,
and $D 1, D 2$.
Theorem. A B-algebra is characterized by axioms (1) and (2).
K. Iséki has proved that the axiom (1) is true in any $B$-algebra (see [3]). Therefore, we shall prove the converse. The fundamental ideas of the proof is due to my paper [4].

In axiom (1), we substitute $z$ for $w,(x * y) * x$ for $x$ and $y$, $(((u * t) *(s * t)) *((u * s) * r)) *((\sim t * s) * \sim r)$ for $z,((x * y) * x) * z$ appears in the left side. At the same time, the right side is equal to 0 , because it is axiom (1) which is substituted $(((u * t) *(s * t)) *((u * s) * r)) *$ $((\sim t * s) * \sim r)$ for $w,(x * y) * x$ for $x, x$ for $y$ and $y$ for $z$ in axiom (1) respectively. Therefore by (2), D 1 and $D 2$, we have
(3) $(x * y) * x \leqslant z$.

In this thesis, put $z=((x * y) * x) * z$, then by (2) and $D 1$, we have $(x * y) * x=0$. Hence by $D 2$, we have
(4) $x * y \leqslant x$.

Let us put $x=((((u * t) *(s * t)) *((u * s) * r)) *((\sim t * s) * \sim r)) *((x * y) * x)$, $y=x, z=y, w=(x * y) * x$ in axiom (1), then the right side is equal to 0 , because it is identical with the expression which is substituted $(((u * t) *(s * t)) *((u * s) * r)) *((\sim t * s) * \sim r)$ for $x,(x * y) * x$ for $y,(x * y) * x$ for $z$ in (3). The second and third terms of the left side are equal
to 0 by thesis (4). Therefore we have
(5) $((u * t) *(s * t)) *((u * s) * r) \leqslant(\sim t * s) * \sim r$.

Putting $r=z, s=y, t=z$, and $u=x$ in (5), then we have, as the right side, $(z * y) * z$ which is equal to 0 by (4). Hence we have
(6) $(x * z) *(y * z) \leqslant(x * y) * z$.

In (6), put $x * y=0, y * z=0$, then by (2) we have $x * z=0$. Hence we have
(7) $x * y=0, y * z=0$, imply $x * z=0$, i.e., if $x \leqslant y, y \leqslant z$, then $x \leqslant z$. This means $(x * z) *(y * z) \leqslant x * y$.

Next put $z=x, y=z * y$ in (6), then we have

$$
(x * x) *((z * y) * z) \leqslant(x *(z * y)) * x .
$$

The right side is 0 by (4), and the second term of the left side is 0 by (4), hence we have
(8) $x * x=0$, i.e., $x \leqslant x$.

If we put $x=x * z, y=y * z, z=x * y$ in (6), then we have

$$
((x * z) *(x * y)) *((y * z) *(x * y)) \leqslant((x * z) *(y * z)) *(x * y)
$$

By (7), $((x * z) *(y * z)) *(x * y)=0$, hence we have by (4)

$$
((x * z) *(x * y)) \leqslant(y * z) *(x * y) \leqslant y * z .
$$

Therefore by (7), we have
(9) $((x * z) *(x * y)) \leqslant y * z$, i.e., $y * z=0$ implies $x * z \leqslant x * y$.

In (4), if we put $x=(y * x) * y, y=(z * x) *(y * x)$, then we have
(10) $((y * x) * y) *((z * x) *(y * x))=0$.

In (6), let $x=(z * x) * y, y=(y * x) * y, z=(z * x) *(y * x)$, then by (7) and (10) we have
(11) $(z * x) * y \leqslant(z * x) *(y * x)$.

Next we shall prove a commutative law:
(12) $(z * x) * y=(z * y) * x$.

In (7), if we put $x=(z * y) * x, y=(z * y) *(x * y), z=(z * x) * y$, then we have

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\begin{aligned}
& (((z * y) * x) *((z * x) * y)) *(((z * y) *(x * y)) *((z * x) * y)) \\
& \quad \leqslant((z * y) * x)) *((z * y) *(x * y))
\end{aligned}
$$

The right side is 0 by (11) and the second term of the left side is 0 by (6). Hence we have

$$
(z * y) * x \leqslant(z * x) * y
$$

In the above formula, if we put $x=y, y=x$, then we have

$$
(z * x) * y \leqslant(z * y) * x
$$

Therefore by $D 1$ we have a commutative law.
In the commutative law, let $x=(\sim y * z) * \sim x, y=(x * z) * x, z=$ $(x * y) *(z * y)$, then we have by (5) and (4)
(13) $(x * y) *(z * y) \leqslant(\sim y * z) * \sim x$.

Putting $x=(x * y) *(z * y), y=(\sim y * z) * \sim x, z=(\sim y * \sim x) * z$ in (9), and applying (12) to it, we have
(14) $(x * y) *(z * y) \leqslant(\sim y * \sim x) * z$.

In (12), if we put $x=(\sim y * \sim x) * y, y=y * y, z=x * y$ and apply (14), then we have
(15) $(x * y) \leqslant(\sim y * \sim x) * y$.

In (9), if we put $x=z, y=y * x, z=y$, then we have

$$
((z * y) *(z *(y * x)) \leqslant(y * x) * y=0
$$

Hence we have
(16) $z * y \leqslant z *(y * x)$.

In the above thesis, if we put $x=y, y=\sim y * \sim x, z=x * y$, then we have

$$
(x * y) *(\sim y * \sim x) \leqslant(x * y) *((\sim y * \sim x) * y)
$$

The right side is equal to 0 by (15). Hence we have
(17) $x * y \leqslant \sim y * \sim x$.

Theses (4), (6), and (17) hold in this news axiom sytem. Hence this new algebra is a $B$-algebra. The proof if complete. It is seen that this algebra is completely characterized by the expressions (4) and (5).

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