

## $f$ -DERIVATIONS AND $(f, g)$ -DERIVATIONS OF $MV$ -ALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we extend the notion of derivation of  $MV$ -algebras and give some illustrative examples. Moreover, as a generalization of derivation of  $MV$ -algebras we introduce the notion of  $f$ -derivations and  $(f, g)$ -derivations of  $MV$ -algebras. Also, we investigate some properties of them.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

In [7], Chang invented the notion of  $MV$ -algebra in order to provide an algebraic proof of the completeness theorem of infinite valued Lukasiewicz propositional calculus. Recently, the algebraic theory of  $MV$ -algebras is intensively studied, for example see [17, 18, 19]. The notion of derivation, introduced from the analytic theory, is helpful to the research of structure and property in algebraic systems. Several authors [3, 9, 16] studied derivations in rings and near-rings. Jun and Xin [11] applied the notion of derivation to  $BCI$ -algebras. In [20], Szász introduced the concept of derivation for lattices and investigated some of its properties. Also, in [21], Xin et al. improved derivation for a lattice and discussed some related properties. They gave some equivalent conditions under which a derivation is isotone for lattices with a greatest modular lattices and distributive lattices, also see [15]. After these studies the  $f$ -derivation and symmetric bi derivation of lattices were defined and studied in [5, 6]. Ozbal and Firat in [14] introduced the notion of symmetric  $f$ -bi-derivation of a lattice. They characterized

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the distributive lattice by symmetric  $f$ -bi-derivation. In [11], Jun and Xin introduced the notion of derivation in  $BCI$ -algebras, which is defined in a way similar to the notion in ring theory, and investigated some properties related to this concept. In [22], Zhan and Liu introduced the notion of  $f$ -derivation in  $BCI$ -algebras. In [4], Ceran and Aşci defined the symmetric bi- $(\sigma, \tau)$  derivations on prime and semiprime Gamma rings. In [2], Alshehri applied the notion of derivation to  $MV$ -algebras and investigated some of its properties.

Now, in this paper, we extend the notion of derivation of  $MV$ -algebras. Moreover, as a generalization of derivation of  $MV$ -algebras we introduce the notion of  $f$ -derivations and  $(f, g)$ -derivations of  $MV$ -algebras.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

In this section, we recall the notion of an  $MV$ -algebra and then we review some definitions and properties which we will need in the next section.

**Definition 2.1.** An  $MV$ -algebra is a structure  $(M, \oplus, *, 0)$  where  $M$  is a non-empty set,  $\oplus$  is a binary operation,  $*$  is a unary operation, and  $0$  is a constant such that the following axioms are satisfied for any  $a, b \in M$

- (MV1)  $(M, \oplus, 0)$  is a commutative monoid;
- (MV2)  $(a^*)^* = a$ ;
- (MV3)  $0^* \oplus a = 0^*$ ;
- (MV4)  $(a^* \oplus b)^* \oplus b = (b^* \oplus a)^* \oplus a$ .

We define the constant  $1 = 0^*$  and the auxiliary operations  $\odot, \ominus, \vee$  and  $\wedge$  by

$$a \odot b = (a^* \oplus b^*)^*, \quad a \ominus b = a \odot b^*, \quad a \vee b = a \oplus (b \odot a^*), \quad a \wedge b = a \odot (b \oplus a^*).$$

**Example 2.2.** Any boolean algebra is an  $MV$ -algebra.

**Example 2.3.** The real unit interval  $[0, 1]$  with operations  $\oplus$  and  $*$  defined by

$$x \oplus y = \min\{1, x + y\} \quad \text{and} \quad x^* = 1 - x$$

is an  $MV$ -algebra

**Theorem 2.4.** [7] *Let  $(M, \oplus, *, 0)$  be an  $MV$ -algebra. The following properties hold for all  $x \in M$*

- (1)  $x \oplus 1 = 1$ ;
- (2)  $x \oplus x^* = 1$ ;
- (3)  $x \odot 0 = 0$  and  $x \odot x^* = 0$ .

Moreover,  $(M, \odot, 1)$  is a commutative monoid [7].

**Theorem 2.5.** [7] *Let  $(M, \oplus, *, 0)$  be an  $MV$ -algebra. The following properties hold for all  $x \in M$*

- (1) *If  $x \oplus y = 0$ , then  $x = y = 0$ ;*
- (2) *If  $x \odot y = 1$ , then  $x = y = 1$ ;*
- (3)  *$x \oplus y = y$  if and only if  $x \odot y = x$ ;*
- (4)  *$(x \vee y) \oplus z = (x \oplus z) \vee (y \oplus z)$ .*

Let  $(M, \oplus, *, 0)$  be an  $MV$ -algebra. The partial ordering  $\leq$  on  $M$  is defined by

$$x \leq y \iff x \wedge y = x, \text{ for all } x, y \in M.$$

$x \wedge y = x$  is equivalent to  $x \vee y = y$ . The structure  $(M, \vee, \wedge, 0, 1)$  is a bounded distributive lattice. If the order relation  $\leq$ , defined over  $M$ , is total, then we say that  $M$  is *linearly ordered*.

**Theorem 2.6.** [7] *Let  $(M, \oplus, *, 0)$  be an  $MV$ -algebra. The following properties hold for all  $x \in M$*

- (1) *If  $x \leq y$ , then  $x \vee z \leq y \vee z$  and  $x \wedge z \leq y \wedge z$ ;*
- (2) *If  $x \leq y$ , then  $x \oplus z \leq y \oplus z$  and  $x \odot z \leq y \odot z$ ;*
- (3)  *$x \leq y$  if and only if  $y^* \leq x^*$ .*

**Theorem 2.7.** [7] *For all  $x, y \in M$ , the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (1)  $x \leq y$ ;
- (2)  $y \oplus x^* = 1$ ;
- (3)  $x \odot y^* = 0$ .

**Theorem 2.8.** [7] *Let  $M$  be a linearly ordered  $MV$ -algebra. Then,  $x \oplus y = x \oplus z$  and  $x \oplus z \neq 1$  implies that  $y = z$ .*

Let  $M$  and  $N$  be two  $MV$ -algebras. The function  $f : M \rightarrow N$  is called a *homomorphism* if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (1)  $f(0_M) = 0_N$ ;

- (2)  $f(x \oplus_M y) = f(x) \oplus_N f(y)$ ;
- (3)  $f(x^*) = f(x)^*$ ;

for all  $x, y \in M$ . If  $f$  is a homomorphism, then  $f(1_M) = 1_N$  and  $f(x \odot_M y) = f(x) \odot_N f(y)$ . A homomorphism  $f$  is called an *isomorphism* if it is one to one and onto.

Let  $M$  be an *MV*-algebra and  $I$  be a non-empty subset of  $M$ . Then, we say that  $I$  is an *ideal* if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (1)  $0 \in I$ ;
- (2)  $x, y \in I$  imply  $x \oplus y \in I$ ;
- (3)  $x \in I$  and  $y \leq x$  imply  $y \in I$ .

**Lemma 2.9.** *Let  $I$  be an ideal of *MV*-algebra  $M$  and  $f : M \rightarrow M$  be an isomorphism. Then,  $f(I)$  is an ideal, too.*

*Proof.* It is obvious. □

Let  $B(M) = \{x \in M \mid x \oplus x = x\} = \{x \in M \mid x \odot x = x\}$ . Then,  $(B(M), \oplus, *, 0)$  is both a largest subalgebra of  $M$  and a Boolean algebra.

**Definition 2.10.** A *BCI*-algebra  $X$  is an abstract algebra  $(X, *, 0)$  of type  $(2, 0)$ , satisfying the following conditions, for all  $x, y, z \in X$ ,

- (BCI1)  $((x * y) * (x * z)) * (z * y) = 0$ ;
- (BCI2)  $(x * (x * y)) * y = 0$ ;
- (BCI3)  $x * x = 0$ ;
- (BCI4)  $x * y = 0$  and  $y * x = 0$  imply that  $x = y$ .

A non-empty subset  $S$  of a *BCI*-algebra  $X$  is called a *subalgebra* of  $X$  if  $x * y \in S$ , for all  $x, y \in S$ . In any *BCI*-algebra  $X$ , one can define a partial order “ $\leq$ ” by putting  $x \leq y$  if and only if  $x * y = 0$ . A *BCI*-algebra  $X$  satisfying  $0 \leq x$ , for all  $x \in X$ , is called a *BCK*-algebra.

Let  $(M, \oplus, *, 0)$  be an *MV*-algebra. Then, the structure  $(M, \ominus, 0)$  is a bounded *BCI* \ *BCK*-algebra.

### 3. DERIVATIONS OF *MV*-ALGEBRAS

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $(M, \oplus, *, 0)$  be an *MV*-algebra. Then, the map  $D : M \rightarrow M$  is called

- (1) a *derivation of type 1*, if  $D(x \odot y) = (D(x) \odot y) \oplus (x \odot D(y))$ , for all  $x, y \in M$  [2];
- (2) a *derivation of type 2*, if  $D(x \wedge y) = (D(x) \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge D(y))$ , for all  $x, y \in M$ ;
- (3) a *derivation of type 3*, if  $D(x \ominus y) = (D(x) \ominus y) \wedge (x \ominus D(y))$ , for all  $x, y \in M$ .

If  $MV$ -algebra  $M$  is a Boolean algebra, then for all  $x, y \in M$ ,  $x \oplus y = x \vee y$  and  $x \odot y = x \wedge y$ . So, in this case, every derivation of type 1 on  $M$  is coincide with derivation of type 2 on  $M$ .

Let  $(M, \oplus, *, 0)$  be an  $MV$ -algebra. Then, the definition of derivation of type 2 on  $(M, \oplus, *, 0)$  is coincide with the definition of derivation on lattice  $(M, \wedge, \vee, 0, 1)$ . Also, the definition of derivation of type 3 on  $(M, \oplus, *, 0)$  is coincide with the definition of derivation on bounded  $BCI \setminus BCK$ -algebra  $(M, \ominus, 0)$ .

Let  $M$  be an  $MV$ -algebra and  $D : M \longrightarrow M$  be a derivation of type 1 (2 and 3, respectively). Then, for convenience, we denote  $D$  by  $D^1$  ( $D^2$  and  $D^3$ , respectively).

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $(M, \oplus, *, 0)$  be an  $MV$ -algebra and  $D^i$  be a derivation of type  $i$  on  $M$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq 3$ . Then, for all  $1 \leq i \leq 3$ , we have*

- (1)  $D^i(0) = 0$ ;
- (2)  $D^i(x) \leq x$ , for all  $x \in M$ .

*Proof.* (1) It is proved in [2] that  $D^1(0) = 0$ . We have  $D^2(0) = D^2(0 \wedge 0) = (D^2(0) \wedge 0) \vee (0 \wedge D^2(0)) = 0$  and  $D^3(0) = D^3(x \ominus 1) = (D^3(x) \ominus 1) \wedge (x \ominus D^3(1)) = 0$ , for all  $x \in M$ .

(2) It is proved in [2] that  $D^1(x) \leq x$ . We have  $D^2(x) = D^2(x \wedge x) = (D^2(x) \wedge x) \vee (x \wedge D^2(x)) = D^2(x) \wedge x$ . So,  $D^2(x) \leq x$ .

Also, we have  $D^3(x) = D^3(x \ominus 0) = (D^3(x) \ominus 0) \wedge (x \ominus D^3(0)) = D^3(x) \wedge x$ . So,  $D^3(x) \leq x$ . □

Let  $M$  be an  $MV$ -algebra. The function  $D : M \longrightarrow M$ , defined by  $D(x) = 0$ , for all  $x \in M$ , is a derivation of type 1, 2 and 3 on  $M$ . We denote it by  $D = 0$ .

Also, the function  $D : M \longrightarrow M$ , defined by  $D(x) = x$ , for all  $x \in M$ , is a derivation of type 2 and 3 on  $M$ . We denote it by  $D = I$ .

**Example 3.3.** Let  $M = \{0, 1\}$ . Consider the following tables:

$$\begin{array}{c|cc} \oplus & 0 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c|cc} * & 0 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array}$$

Then,  $(M, \oplus, *, 0)$  is an *MV*-algebra. It is only *MV*-algebra of order 2. The functions  $D_1 = 0$  and  $D_2 = I$  are only derivations of type 1. Also, they are only derivations of type 2 and 3.

**Example 3.4.** Let  $M = \{0, x_1, 1\}$ . Consider the following tables:

$$\begin{array}{c|ccc} \oplus & 0 & x_1 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & x_1 & 1 \\ x_1 & x_1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c|ccc} * & 0 & x_1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & x_1 & 0 \end{array}$$

Then,  $(M, \oplus, *, 0)$  is an *MV*-algebra. It is only *MV*-algebra of order 3. By calculation, we obtain Figure 1.

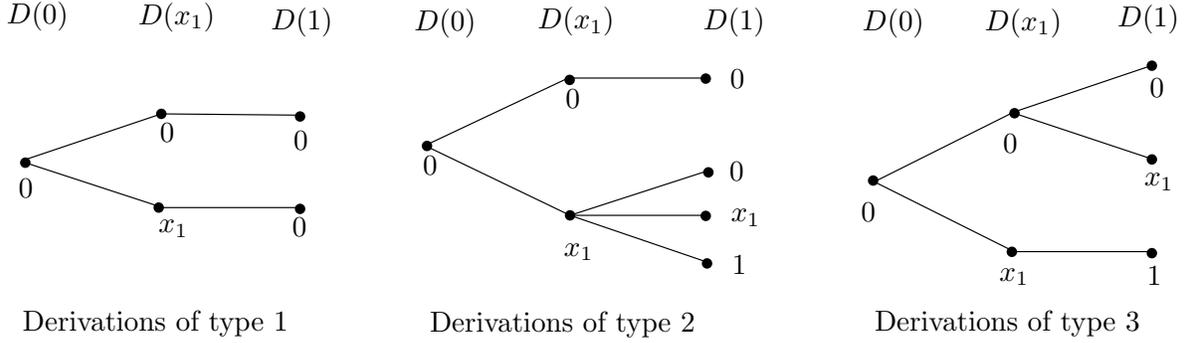


FIGURE 1. Derivations of type 1, 2 and 3 for Example 3.4.

Thus, we have only two derivations of type 1 on  $M$ . They are as follows:

$$D_1^1 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad D_2^1(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, 1 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1. \end{cases}$$

We have only four derivations of type 2 on  $M$ . They are as follows:

$$D_1^2 = 0, \quad D_2^2 = I, \quad D_3^2(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, 1 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1 \end{cases} \quad \text{and}$$

$$D_4^2(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1, 1. \end{cases}$$

We have only three derivations of type 3 on  $M$ . They are as

$$D_1^3 = 0, \quad D_2^3 = I \quad \text{and} \quad D_3^3(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_1 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = 1. \end{cases}$$

It is clear that  $D_2^1$  is not a derivation of type 3, because  $x_1 = D_2^1(x_1) = D_2^1(1 \ominus x_1) \neq (D_2^1(1) \ominus x_1) \wedge (1 \ominus D_2^1(x_1)) = 0$ . Also,  $D_3^3$  is not a derivation of type 1, because  $x_1 = D_3^3(1 \odot 1) \neq (D_3^3(1) \odot 1) \oplus (1 \odot D_3^3(1)) = 1$ . So, derivation of type 1 and 3 are independent.

It is clear that  $D_3^2$  is not a derivation of type 3, because  $x_1 = D_3^2(1 \ominus x_1) \neq (D_3^2(1) \ominus x_1) \wedge (1 \ominus D_3^2(x_1)) = 0$ . Also,  $D_3^3$  is not a derivation of type 2, because  $0 = D_3^3(x_1 \wedge 1) \neq (D_3^3(x_1) \wedge 1) \vee (x_1 \wedge D_3^3(1)) = x_1$ . So, derivation of type 2 and 3 are independent.

We have only two  $MV$ -algebras of order 4. They are considered in the next two examples.

**Example 3.5.** Let  $M = \{0, x_1, x_2, 1\}$ . Consider the following tables:

$\oplus$	0	$x_1$	$x_2$	1
0	0	$x_1$	$x_2$	1
$x_1$	$x_1$	$x_2$	1	1
$x_2$	$x_2$	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	1

$*$	0	$x_1$	$x_2$	1
1	$x_2$	$x_1$	0	

Then,  $(M, \oplus, *, 0)$  is an  $MV$ -algebra. By calculation, we get Figure 2.

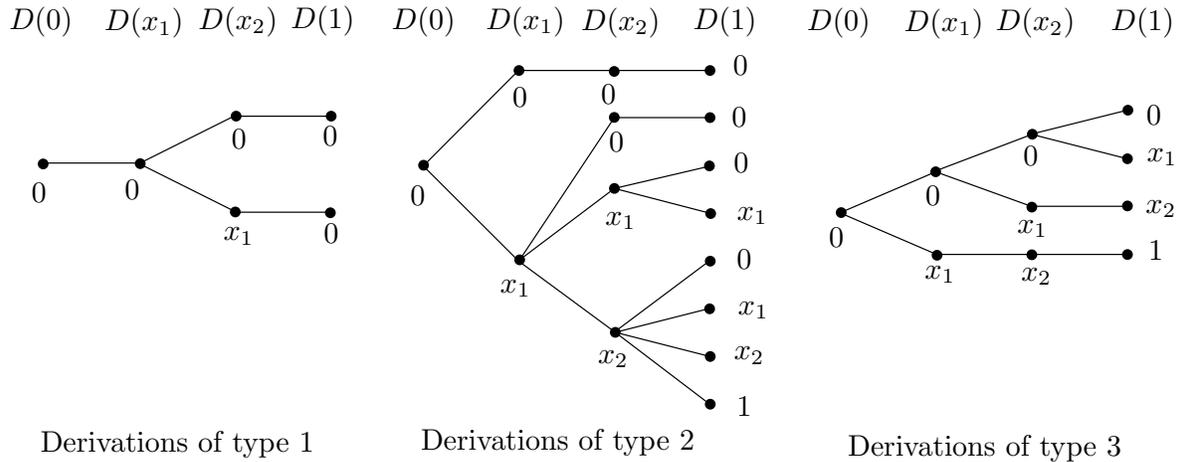


FIGURE 2. Derivations of type 1, 2 and 3 for Example 3.5.

Thus, we have only two derivations of type 1 on  $M$ . They are as follows:

$$D_1^1 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad D_2^1(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_1, 1 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_2. \end{cases}$$

We have only eight derivations of type 2 on  $M$ . They are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} D_1^2 &= 0, & D_2^2 &= I, \\ D_3^2(x) &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_2, 1 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1, \end{cases} & D_4^2(x) &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, 1 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1, x_2, \end{cases} \\ D_5^2(x) &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1, x_2, 1, \end{cases} & D_6^2(x) &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, 1 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2, \end{cases} \\ D_7^2(x) &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1, 1 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2, \end{cases} & D_8^2(x) &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2, 1. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

We have only four derivations of type 3 on  $M$ . They are as follows:

$$D_1^3 = 0, \quad D_2^3 = I, \quad D_3^3(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_1, x_2 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = 1 \end{cases} \quad \text{and}$$

$$D_4^3(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_1 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_2 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = 1. \end{cases}$$

It is clear that  $D_2^1$  is not a derivation of type 2, because  $0 = D_2^1(x_1) = D_2^1(x_1 \wedge x_2) \neq (D_2^1(x_1) \wedge x_2) \vee (x_1 \wedge D_2^1(x_2)) = x_1$ . Also,  $D_5^2$  is not a derivation of type 1, because  $x_1 = D_5^2(1) = D_5^2(1 \odot 1) \neq (D_5^2(1) \odot 1) \oplus (1 \odot D_5^2(1)) = x_1 \oplus x_1 = x_2$ . So, derivation of type 1 and 2 are independent.

**Example 3.6.** Let  $M = \{0, x_1, x_2, 1\}$ . Consider the following tables:

$\oplus$	0	$x_1$	$x_2$	1
0	0	$x_1$	$x_2$	1
$x_1$	$x_1$	$x_1$	1	1
$x_2$	$x_2$	1	$x_2$	1
1	1	1	1	1

$*$	0	$x_1$	$x_2$	1
1	$x_2$	$x_1$	0	

Then,  $(M, \oplus, *, 0)$  is a Boolean  $MV$ -algebra. So, derivation of type 1 is coincide with derivation of type 2. By calculation, we get Figure 3.

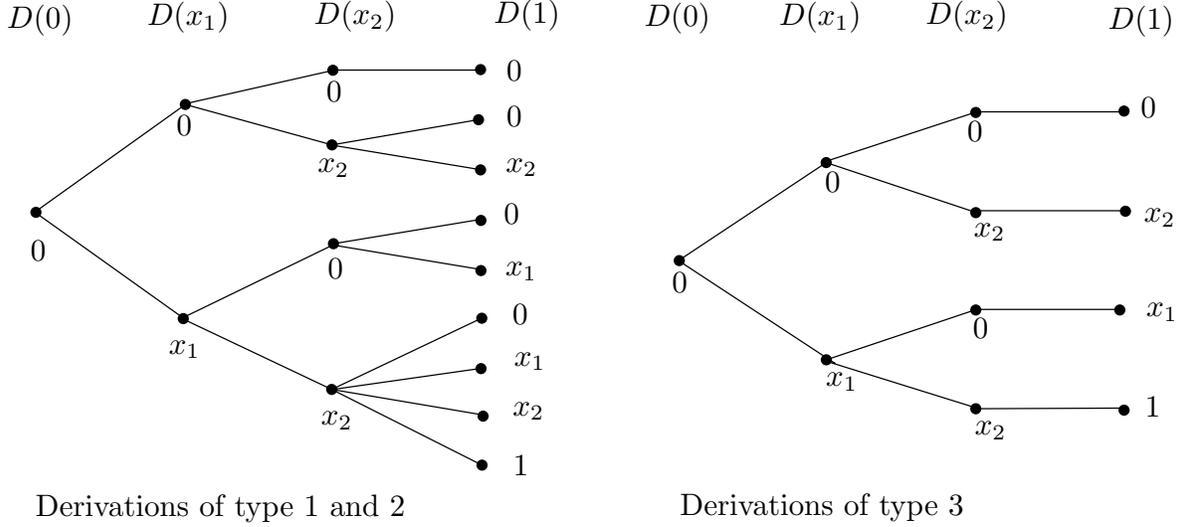


FIGURE 3. Derivations of type 1, 2 and 3 for Example 3.6.

Hence, we have only nine derivations of type 1 on  $M$ . They are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 D_1^1 &= 0, \quad D_2^1 = I, & D_3^1(x) &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_1, 1 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2, \end{cases} \\
 D_4^1(x) &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_1 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2, 1, \end{cases} & D_5^1(x) &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_2, 1 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1, \end{cases} \\
 D_6^1(x) &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_2 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1, 1, \end{cases} & D_7^1(x) &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, 1 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2 \end{cases} \\
 D_8^1(x) &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1, 1 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2, \end{cases} & D_9^1(x) &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2, 1. \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

We have only four derivations of type 3 on  $M$ . They are as  $D_1^3 = 0, D_2^3 = I$ ,  $D_3^3(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_1 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2, 1 \end{cases}$  and  $D_4^3(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_2 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1, 1 \end{cases}$ .

We have one  $MV$ -algebra of order 5. It is considered in the next example.



$$D_3^1(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, 1 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2, x_3. \end{cases}$$

We have only sixteen derivations of type 2 on  $M$ . They are as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ll} D_1^2 = 0, & D_2^2 = I, \\ D_3^2(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_2, x_3, 1 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1, \end{cases} & D_4^2(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_3, 1 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1, x_2, \end{cases} \\ D_5^2(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, 1 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1, x_2, x_3, \end{cases} & D_6^2(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1, x_2, x_3, 1, \end{cases} \\ D_7^2(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_3, 1 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2, \end{cases} & D_8^2(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, 1 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1, x_3 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2, \end{cases} \\ D_9^2(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1, x_3, 1 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2, \end{cases} & D_{10}^2(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, 1 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2, x_3, \end{cases} \\ D_{11}^2(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1, 1 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2, x_3, \end{cases} & D_{12}^2(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2, x_3, 1, \end{cases} \\ D_{13}^2(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, 1 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2 \\ x_3 & \text{if } x = x_3, \end{cases} & D_{14}^2(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1, 1 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2 \\ x_3 & \text{if } x = x_3, \end{cases} \\ D_{15}^2(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2, 1 \\ x_3 & \text{if } x = x_3, \end{cases} & D_{16}^2(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_1 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2 \\ x_3 & \text{if } x = x_3, 1. \end{cases} \end{array}$$

We have only five derivations of type 3 on  $M$ . They are as follows:

$$D_1^3 = 0, \quad D_2^3 = I, \quad D_3^3(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_1, x_2, x_3 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = 1, \end{cases}$$

$$D_4^3(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_1, x_2 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_3 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = 1 \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad D_5^3(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_1 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_2 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_3 \\ x_3 & \text{if } x = 1 \end{cases}$$

Let  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  be two  $MV$ -algebras. Then  $M_1 \times M_2$  is an  $MV$ -algebra. Also, let  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  be derivations of type 1 (2 and 3, respectively) on  $M_1$  and  $M_2$ , respectively. Then,  $D = D_1 \times D_2 : M_1 \times M_2 \rightarrow M_1 \times M_2$  defined by  $D((x, y)) = (D_1(x), D_2(y))$ , for all  $x \in M_1, y \in M_2$ , is a derivation of type 1 (2 and 3, respectively). But, all of derivations of type 1 (2 and 3, respectively) on  $M_1 \times M_2$  are not as form  $D_1 \times D_2$ , where  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  are derivations of type 1 (2 and 3, respectively) on  $M_1$  and  $M_2$ , respectively. The following example shows this matter.

**Example 3.8.** Consider the  $MV$ -algebra  $M$ , defined in Example 3.6. Then  $M \cong S_1 \times S_1$ , where  $S_1$  is the  $MV$ -algebra defined in Example 3.3. By Example 3.6,  $M \cong S_1 \times S_1$  has nine derivations of type 1. But, only four derivations of them are as form  $D_1 \times D_2$ , where  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  are derivations of type 1 on  $S_1$ , since  $S_1$  has two derivations of type 1. They are  $D_1^1, D_2^1, D_4^1$  and  $D_6^1$ .

**Definition 3.9.** Let  $M$  be an  $MV$ -algebra. Then, a function  $f : M \rightarrow M$  is called *additive*, if  $f(x \oplus y) = f(x) \oplus f(y)$ , for all  $x, y \in M$ .

**Example 3.10.** The functions  $D = 0$  and  $D = I$  are always additive. In Examples 3.3, 3.4, 3.5 and 3.7, among derivations of type  $i, 1 \leq i \leq 3$ , only  $D = 0$  and  $D = I$  are additive. In Example 3.6, among derivations of type  $i, 1 \leq i \leq 3$ , only  $D_1^1 = D_3^1 = 0, D_2^1 = D_2^3 = I, D_4^1 = D_3^3$  and  $D_6^1 = D_4^3$  are additive.

**Definition 3.11.** Let  $M$  be an  $MV$ -algebra. Then, a function  $f : M \rightarrow M$  is called *isoton*, if  $x \leq y$  implies that  $f(x) \leq f(y)$ , for all  $x, y \in M$ .

**Example 3.12.** The functions  $D = 0$  and  $D = I$  are always isoton. In Example 3.4, among derivations of type  $i, 1 \leq i \leq 3$ , only  $D_1^1 = D_1^2 = D_1^3 = 0, D_2^2 = D_2^3 = I, D_4^2$  and  $D_3^3$  are isoton. In Example 3.5, among derivations of type  $i, 1 \leq i \leq 3$ , only

$D_1^1 = D_1^2 = D_1^3 = 0$ ,  $D_2^2 = D_2^3 = I$ ,  $D_5^2$ ,  $D_8^2$ ,  $D_3^3$  and  $D_4^3$  are isoton. In Example 3.6, among derivations of type  $i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq 3$ , only  $D_1^1 = D_1^3 = 0$ ,  $D_2^1 = D_2^3 = I$ ,  $D_4^1 = D_3^3$  and  $D_6^1 = D_4^3$  are isoton. In Example 3.7, among derivations of type  $i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq 3$ , only  $D_1^1 = D_1^2 = D_1^3 = 0$ ,  $D_2^2 = D_2^3 = I$ ,  $D_6^2$ ,  $D_{12}^2$ ,  $D_{16}^2$ ,  $D_3^3$ ,  $D_4^3$  and  $D_5^3$  are isoton.

**Example 3.13.** Let  $S_n = \{0, \frac{1}{n}, \frac{2}{n}, \dots, \frac{n-1}{n}, 1\}$ ,  $n \in N$ . Then,  $(S_n, \oplus, *, 0, 1)$  is an  $MV$ -algebra with  $n + 1$  elements, where operations  $\oplus$  and  $*$  are defined as Example 2.3. Note that auxiliary operations  $\odot$ ,  $\ominus$ ,  $\vee$  and  $\wedge$  are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} a \odot b &= \max\{0, a + b - 1\}, \\ a \ominus b &= \max\{0, a - b\}, \\ a \vee b &= \max\{a, b\}, \\ a \wedge b &= \min\{a, b\} \end{aligned}$$

and the relation  $\leq$  is simply the natural ordering of real numbers. The  $MV$ -algebras defined in Examples 3.3, 3.4, 3.5 and 3.7 are  $S_1$ ,  $S_2$ ,  $S_3$  and  $S_4$ , respectively. Let  $n > 1$  be a fix positive integer. Define  $D^1 : S_n \rightarrow S_n$  by

$$D^1(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{n} & \text{if } x = \frac{n-1}{n} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

It is easily to check that  $D^1$  is a derivation of type 1.  $D^1$  is not additive because  $D^1(1 \oplus \frac{n-1}{n}) = D^1(1) = 0$  but  $D^1(1) \oplus D^1(\frac{n-1}{n}) = 0 \oplus \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{n}$ . Also,  $D^1$  is not isoton, because  $\frac{n-1}{n} \leq 1$  but  $\frac{1}{n} = D^1(\frac{n-1}{n}) \not\leq D^1(1) = 0$ .

Define  $D^2 : S_n \rightarrow S_n$  by

$$D^2(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, 1 \\ \frac{1}{n} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

It is easily to check that  $D^2$  is a derivation of type 2.  $D^2$  is not additive because  $D^2(1 \oplus \frac{1}{n}) = D^2(1) = 0$  but  $D^2(1) \oplus D^2(\frac{1}{n}) = 0 \oplus \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{n}$ . Also,  $D^2$  is not isoton, because  $\frac{1}{n} \leq 1$  but  $\frac{1}{n} = D^2(\frac{1}{n}) \not\leq D^2(1) = 0$ .

Define  $D^3 : S_n \rightarrow S_n$  by

$$D^3(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{n} & \text{if } x = 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

It is easily to check that  $D^3$  is a derivation of type 3.  $D^3$  is not additive because  $D^3(1 \oplus 1) = D^3(1) = \frac{1}{n}$  but  $D^3(1) \oplus D^3(1) = \frac{2}{n}$ . Note that  $D^3$  is isoton.

4.  $f$ -DERIVATIONS AND  $(f, g)$ -DERIVATIONS OF  $MV$ -ALGEBRAS

In this section, we introduce the notion of  $f$ -derivations and  $(f, g)$ -derivations of type  $i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq 3$ , of  $MV$ -algebras.

**Definition 4.1.** Let  $M$  be an  $MV$ -algebra and  $f, g : M \rightarrow M$  be homomorphisms. A function  $D : M \rightarrow M$  is called

- (1) an  $(f, g)$ -derivation of type 1, if  $D(x \odot y) = (D(x) \odot f(y)) \oplus (g(x) \odot D(y))$ , for all  $x, y \in M$ ;
- (2) an  $(f, g)$ -derivation of type 2, if  $D(x \wedge y) = (D(x) \wedge f(y)) \vee (g(x) \wedge D(y))$ , for all  $x, y \in M$ ;
- (3) an  $(f, g)$ -derivation of type 3, if  $D(x \ominus y) = (D(x) \ominus f(y)) \wedge (g(x) \ominus D(y))$ , for all  $x, y \in M$ .

In the above definition, if the function  $g$  is equal to the function  $f$ , then an  $(f, g)$ -derivation of type 1 (2 and 3, respectively) is called an  $f$ -derivation of type 1 (2 and 3, respectively). It is obvious that if we choose the functions  $f$  and  $g$  as the identity functions, then the  $(f, g)$ -derivation of type 1 (2 and 3, respectively) is ordinary derivation of type 1 (2 and 3, respectively).

**Theorem 4.2.** Let  $M$  be an  $MV$ -algebra and  $f, g$  be homomorphisms on  $M$ . Also, let  $D$  be an  $(f, g)$ -derivation of type 1 and 3 on  $M$ . Then, for all  $x, y \in M$

$$((D(x) \ominus f(y)) \wedge (g(x) \ominus D(y))) \leq ((D(x) \odot f(y^*)) \oplus (g(x) \odot D(y^*))).$$

*Proof.* We have

$$\begin{aligned} & ((D(x) \ominus f(y)) \wedge (g(x) \ominus D(y)))^* \oplus ((D(x) \odot f(y^*)) \oplus (g(x) \odot D(y^*))) \\ &= ((D(x) \ominus f(y))^* \vee (g(x) \ominus D(y))^*) \\ & \quad \oplus ((D(x) \ominus f(y)) \oplus (g(x) \ominus D(y^*)^*)) \\ &= ((D(x) \ominus f(y))^* \oplus (D(x) \ominus f(y)) \oplus (g(x) \ominus D(y^*)^*)) \\ & \quad \vee ((g(x) \ominus D(y))^* \oplus (D(x) \ominus f(y)) \oplus (g(x) \ominus D(y^*)^*)) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

So, the statement is valid. □

Let  $M$  be an  $MV$ -algebra and  $f, g : M \rightarrow M$  be homomorphisms. A function  $D : M \rightarrow M$  is an  $(f, g)$ -derivation of type 1 (2, respectively) if and only if it is an  $(g, f)$ -derivation of type 1 (2, respectively).

**Example 4.3.** Let  $M$  be an  $MV$ -algebra and  $f, g : M \rightarrow M$  be homomorphisms on  $M$ . The function  $D : M \rightarrow M$  defined by  $D = 0$  is an  $(f, g)$ -derivation of type 1, 2 and 3.

**Example 4.4.** For every  $MV$ -algebra, if we set  $D = f = I$  and  $g = 0$ , then  $f, g$  are homomorphisms and  $D$  is  $(f, g)$ -derivation of type 1 and 2.

**Example 4.5.** Let  $M$  be as in Example 3.6. Then, every  $(f, g)$ -derivation ( $f$ -derivation, respectively) of type 1 on  $M$  is coincide with  $(f, g)$ -derivation ( $f$ -derivation, respectively) of type 2 on  $M$ . Define maps  $f, g : M \rightarrow M$  by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_1 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_2 \\ 1 & \text{if } x = 1 \end{cases} \quad \text{and } g(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_1 \\ 1 & \text{if } x = x_2, 1. \end{cases}$$

Then,  $f$  and  $g$  are homomorphisms. Now, we define  $D_1, D_2 : M \rightarrow M$  by

$$D_1(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_1, 1 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_2 \end{cases} \quad \text{and } D_2(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_1 \\ x_1 & \text{if } x = x_2, 1. \end{cases}$$

It is easily to check that  $D_1$  is an  $f$ -derivation and an  $(f, g)$ -derivation of type 1 of  $M$ . But, it is not an  $f$ -derivation of type 3, because  $x_1 = D_1(1 \ominus x_1) \neq (D_1(1) \ominus f(x_1)) \wedge (g(1) \ominus D_1(x_1)) = 0$ . Similarly, one can show that  $D_1$  is not an  $(f, g)$ -derivation of type 3. Note that  $D_1$  is not additive. Also, it is not isotone.  $D_2$  is additive, isotone and an  $f$ -derivation of type 1 and 3. Also, it is an  $(f, g)$ -derivation of type 1 and 3.

**Example 4.6.** Let  $M = \{0, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, 1\}$ . Consider the following tables:

$\oplus$	0	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	1
0	0	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	1
$x_1$	$x_1$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_3$	1	1
$x_2$	$x_2$	$x_4$	$x_2$	1	$x_4$	1
$x_3$	$x_3$	$x_3$	1	$x_3$	1	1
$x_4$	$x_4$	1	$x_4$	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	1	1	1

$*$	0	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	1
1	$x_4$	$x_3$	$x_2$	$x_1$	0	

Then,  $(M, \oplus, *, 0)$  is an  $MV$ -algebra. Define maps  $f, g : M \rightarrow M$  by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_1, x_3 \\ 1 & \text{if } x = x_2, x_4, 1 \end{cases} \quad \text{and } g = I.$$

Then,  $f, g$  are homomorphisms on  $M$ . Now, we define

$$D_1(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_1, x_3, x_4, 1 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2, \end{cases}$$

$$D_2(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_1, x_3, 1 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2, x_4 \end{cases}$$

$$D_3(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0, x_1, x_3 \\ x_2 & \text{if } x = x_2, x_4, 1. \end{cases}$$

$D_1$  is an  $f$ -derivation and an  $(f, g)$ -derivation of type 2. But, it is not an  $f$ -derivation of type 1, since  $x_2 = D_1(x_2) = D_1(x_4 \odot x_4) \neq (D_1(x_4) \odot f(x_4)) \oplus (f(x_4) \odot D_1(x_4)) = 0$ . Also, it is not an  $(f, g)$ -derivation of type 1, since  $x_2 = D_1(x_2) = D_1(x_4 \odot x_4) \neq (D_1(x_4) \odot f(x_4)) \oplus (g(x_4) \odot D_1(x_4)) = 0$ .  $D_1$  is not an  $f$ -derivation of type 3, since  $x_2 = D_1(1 \ominus x_3) \neq (D_1(1) \ominus f(x_3)) \wedge (f(1) \ominus D_1(x_3)) = 0$ . Also,  $D_1$  is not an  $(f, g)$ -derivation of type 3, since  $x_2 = D_1(x_2) = D_1(x_4 \ominus x_1) \neq (D_1(x_4) \ominus f(x_1)) \wedge (g(x_4) \ominus D_1(x_1)) = 0$ .

$D_2$  is an  $f$ -derivation of type 1 and 2. Also, it is an  $(f, g)$ -derivation of type 1 and 2. But, it is not  $f$ -derivation of type 3, since  $x_2 = D_2(1 \ominus x_1) \neq (D_2(1) \ominus f(x_1)) \wedge (f(1) \ominus D_2(x_1)) = 0$ . Also,  $D_2$  is not an  $(f, g)$ -derivation of type 3, since  $x_2 = D_2(1 \ominus x_1) \neq (D_2(1) \ominus f(x_1)) \wedge (g(1) \ominus D_2(x_1)) = 0$ .

$D_3$  is an  $f$ -derivation and an  $(f, g)$ -derivation of type 1, 2 and 3.

The properties of  $f$ -derivation and  $(f, g)$ -derivation of type 2 (3, respectively) on  $MV$ -algebras is similar to the properties of  $f$ -derivation and  $(f, g)$ -derivation on lattices ( $BCI \setminus BCK$ -algebras, respectively). For more details, we refer reader to [1, 5] ([10, 12, 13, 22], respectively). So, we study the properties of  $f$ -derivation and  $(f, g)$ -derivation of type 1 on  $MV$ -algebras. We prove next theorems only for  $(f, g)$ -derivations of type 1. Putting the function  $g$  equal to the function  $f$ , then the results are satisfied for  $f$ -derivations of type 1.

In sequence, by an  $(f, g)$ -derivation we mean an  $(f, g)$ -derivation of type 1.

**Theorem 4.7.** *Let  $M$  be an  $MV$ -algebra and  $D$  be an  $(f, g)$ -derivation on  $M$ . Then, the following conditions hold:*

- (1)  $D(0) = 0$ ;
- (2)  $D(x) \odot f(x^*) = f(x) \odot D(x^*) = D(x) \odot g(x^*) = g(x) \odot D(x^*) = 0$ ;

- (3)  $D(x) \leq f(x), g(x)$ ;
- (4)  $D(x) = D(x) \oplus (g(x) \odot D(1))$ ;

for all  $x, y \in M$ .

*Proof.* (1) If  $x \in M$ , then

$$D(0) = D(x \odot 0) = (D(x) \odot f(0)) \oplus (g(x) \odot D(0)) = g(x) \odot D(0).$$

Putting  $x = 0$ , we obtain  $D(0) = g(0) \odot D(0) = 0 \odot D(0) = 0$ .

(2) If  $x \in M$ , then by Theorem 4.6 (3), we obtain  $0 = D(0) = D(x \odot x^*) = (D(x) \odot f(x^*)) \oplus (g(x) \odot D(x^*))$ . By Theorem 2.5 (1), we obtain  $D(x) \odot f(x^*) = 0$  and  $g(x) \odot D(x^*) = 0$ . Similarly, we can prove  $f(x) \odot D(x^*) = 0$  and  $D(x) \odot g(x^*) = 0$ .

(3) Since  $f$  and  $g$  are homomorphisms, by using (2), we have  $D(x) \odot f(x)^* = D(x) \odot g(x)^* = 0$ . Now, Theorem 2.6 implies that  $D(x) \leq f(x), g(x)$ .

$$(4) D(x) = D(x \odot 1) = (D(x) \odot f(1)) \oplus (f(x) \odot D(1)) = D(x) \oplus (f(x) \odot D(1)). \quad \square$$

**Lemma 4.8.** *Let  $M$  be an  $MV$ -algebra,  $D$  be an  $(f, g)$ -derivation on  $M$  such that  $f, g$  be isomorphisms and  $I$  be an ideal of  $M$ . Then,  $D(I) \subseteq f(I) \cap g(I)$ .*

*Proof.* If  $y \in D(I)$ , then there is  $x \in I$  such that  $y = D(x)$ . Now, by Theorem 4.7 (3), we obtain  $y = D(x) \leq f(x) \in f(I)$  and  $y = D(x) \leq g(x) \in g(I)$ . Since  $I$  is an ideal, by Lemma 2.9,  $f(I)$  and  $g(I)$  are ideals, too. Thus,  $y \in f(I) \cap g(I)$ . Therefore,  $D(I) \subseteq f(I) \cap g(I)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.9.** *Let  $D$  be an  $(f, g)$ -derivation of an  $MV$ -algebra  $M$  and  $x, y \in M$ . If  $x \leq y$ , then the following hold:*

- (1)  $D(x \odot y^*) = 0$ ;
- (2)  $D(x) \leq f(y), g(y)$  and  $D(y^*) \leq f(x)^*, g(x)^*$ ;
- (3)  $D(x) \odot D(y^*) = 0$ .

*Proof.* (1) Suppose that  $x \leq y$ . Then, by Theorem 2.7, we have  $x \odot y^* = 0$ . Now, by Theorem 4.7 (1), we obtain  $D(x \odot y^*) = D(0) = 0$ .

(2) According to (1), we have  $0 = D(x \odot y^*) = (D(x) \odot f(y^*)) \oplus (g(x) \odot D(y^*))$ . Now, by Theorem 2.5, we have  $D(x) \odot f(y^*) = 0$  and  $g(x) \odot D(y^*) = 0$ . Then, by Theorem 2.7,  $D(x) \leq f(y), D(y^*) \leq g(x)^*$ . Moreover,  $0 = D(y^* \odot x) = (D(y^*) \odot f(x)) \oplus (g(y^*) \odot D(x))$ . Hence,  $D(y^*) \odot f(x) = 0$  and  $g(y^*) \odot D(x) = 0$ . Therefore, by using Theorem 2.5, we

get  $D(y^*) \leq f(x)^*$  and  $D(x) \leq g(y)$ .

(3) Since  $f$  is a homomorphism,  $x \leq y$  implies that  $f(x) \leq f(y)$ . By Theorem 4.7 (3), we have  $D(x) \leq f(x) \leq f(y)$ . Then,  $D(x) \odot D(y^*) \leq f(y) \odot D(y^*) \leq f(y) \odot f(y^*) = f(y) \odot f(y)^* = 0$ . Therefore,  $D(x) \odot D(y^*) = 0$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.10.** *Let  $M$  be an MV-algebra and  $D$  be an  $(f, g)$ -derivation on  $M$ . Then, the following hold:*

- (1)  $D(x) \odot D(x^*) = 0$ ;
- (2)  $D(x^*) = D(x)^*$  if and only if  $D(x) = f(x)$  or  $D(x) = g(x)$ .

*Proof.* (1) Since  $x \leq x$ , by putting  $y = x$  in Theorem 4.9, we get (1).

(2) Let  $D = f$ . We have  $f(x^*) = f(x)^*$ , for all  $x \in M$ , since  $f$  is a homomorphism. Hence,  $D(x^*) = D(x)^*$ .

Conversely, let  $D(x^*) = D(x)^*$ . By Theorem 4.7 (2),  $D(x) \odot D(x^*) = 0$  which implies that  $f(x) \odot D(x)^* = 0$ . Hence,  $f(x) \leq D(x)$ . On the other hand, by Theorem 4.7 (3), we have  $D(x) \leq f(x)$ . Therefore,  $D(x) = f(x)$ . Similarly, we can prove that if  $D(x^*) = D(x)^*$ , then  $D(x) = g(x)$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 4.11.** *Let  $M$  be an MV-algebra and  $D$  be an  $(f, g)$ -derivation of  $M$ . If  $D(x^*) = D(x)$ , for all  $x \in M$ , then the following conditions hold:*

- (1)  $D(1) = 0$ ;
- (2)  $D(x) \odot D(x) = 0$ ;
- (3) If  $D$  is isotone, then  $D = 0$ .

*Proof.* (1) By Theorem 4.7 (1), we have  $D(1) = D(0^*) = D(0) = 0$ .

(2) It follows from Theorem 4.10 (1).

(3) Since  $x \leq 1$ , for all  $x \in M$ , and  $D$  is isotone, we have  $D(x) \leq D(1) = 0$ , for all  $x \in M$ . Therefore,  $D = 0$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 4.12.** *Let  $M$  be an MV-algebra and  $D$  be a non-zero additive  $(f, g)$ -derivation of  $M$ . Then,  $D(B(M)) \subseteq B(M)$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $y \in D(B(M))$ . Then, there exists  $x \in B(M)$  such that  $y = D(x)$ . So,  $y \oplus y = D(x) \oplus D(x) = D(x \oplus x) = D(x) = y$ . Therefore,  $y \in B(M)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.13.** *Let  $D$  be an additive  $(f, g)$ -derivation of a linearly ordered MV-algebra  $M$ . Then, either  $D = 0$  or  $D(1) = 1$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $D$  is an additive  $(f, g)$ -derivation of a linearly ordered  $MV$ -algebra  $M$  and  $D(1) \neq 1$ . Then, for all  $x \in M$ , we have  $D(1) = D(x \oplus x^*) = D(x) \oplus D(x^*)$ . On the other hand  $D(1) = D(x \oplus 1) = D(x) \oplus D(1)$ . Therefore,  $D(1) = D(x) \oplus D(x^*) = D(x) \oplus D(1)$ . Hence, by the additive cancellative law of  $MV$ -algebras,  $D(x^*) = D(1)$ , since  $D(1) \neq 1$ . By putting  $x = 1$ , we get  $0 = D(0) = D(1)$ . So, for all  $x \in M$ ,  $0 = D(1) = D(x \oplus 1) = D(x) \oplus D(1) = D(x)$ . Therefore,  $D = 0$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.14.** *Let  $M$  be a linearly ordered  $MV$ -algebra and  $g$  be an isomorphism. Also, let  $D_1, D_2$  be additive  $(f, g)$ -derivations of  $M$ . We define  $D_1 D_2(x) = D_1(D_2(x))$ , for all  $x \in M$ . If  $D_1 D_2 = 0$ , then  $D_1 = 0$  or  $D_2 = 0$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $D_1 D_2 = 0$  and  $D_2 \neq 0$ . Then, by Theorems 4.7 (4) and 4.13, for all  $x \in M$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= D_1 D_2(x) = D_1(D_2(x)) = D_1(D_2(x) \oplus (g(x) \odot D_2(1))) \\ &= D_1 D_2(x) \oplus D_1(g(x) \odot D_2(1)) = D_1 D_2(x) \oplus D_1(g(x)) = D_1(g(x)). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $D_1(g(x)) = 0$ , for all  $x \in M$ . Hence,  $D_1(x) = 0$ , for all  $x \in M$ , since  $g$  is an isomorphism. Therefore,  $D_1 = 0$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.15.** *Let  $M$  be a linearly ordered  $MV$ -algebra and  $D$  be a non-zero additive  $(f, g)$ -derivation of  $M$ . Then,  $D(x \odot x) = (D(x) \odot f(x)) \oplus g(x)$ .*

*Proof.* By Theorem 4.7 (4), we have  $D(x) = D(x) \oplus (g(x) \odot D(1))$ , for all  $x \in M$ . By Theorem 4.13,  $D(1) = 1$ , since  $D \neq 0$ . Therefore  $D(x) = D(x) \oplus g(x)$ . Thus, by Theorem 2.5 (3), we have  $D(x) \odot g(x) = g(x)$ . Then,

$$D(x \odot x) = (D(x) \odot f(x)) \oplus (g(x) \odot D(x)) = (D(x) \odot f(x)) \oplus g(x),$$

and the proof completes.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.16.** *Every non-zero additive  $(f, g)$ -derivation of a linearly ordered  $MV$ -algebra  $M$  is isotone.*

*Proof.* Let  $D$  be a non-zero additive  $(f, g)$ -derivation of a linearly ordered  $MV$ -algebra  $M$  and  $x, y \in M$  be arbitrary. If  $x \leq y$ , then  $x^* \oplus y = 1$ . Now, by Theorem 4.13,  $D(1) = 1$ , since  $D \neq 0$ . Therefore,  $1 = D(1) = D(x^* \oplus y) = D(x^*) \oplus D(y)$  which implies that  $(D(x^*))^* \leq D(y)$ . On the other hand, by Theorem 4.7 (3),  $D(x^*) \leq (f(x))^*$  implies

that  $f(x) \leq (D(x^*))^*$ . So,  $f(x) \leq (D(x^*))^* \leq D(y)$ . Also, we have  $D(x) \leq f(x)$ , by Theorem 4.7 (3). Therefore,  $D(x) \leq f(x) \leq D(y)$  which implies that  $D(x) \leq D(y)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.17.** *Let  $M$  be a linearly ordered MV-algebra and  $D$  be a non-zero additive  $(f, g)$ -derivation. Then,*

$$D^{-1}(0) = \{x \in M : D(x) = 0\}$$

*is an ideal of  $M$ .*

*Proof.* By Theorem 4.7 (1), we have  $D(0) = 0$ . Then,  $0 \in D^{-1}(0)$ . Now, suppose that  $x, y \in D^{-1}(0)$ . Then,  $D(x \oplus y) = D(x) \oplus D(y) = 0 \oplus 0 = 0$  which implies that  $x \oplus y \in D^{-1}(0)$ . Now, suppose that  $x \in D^{-1}(0)$  and  $y \leq x$ . Then,  $D(x) = 0$ . Hence, by Theorem 4.16, we have  $D(y) \leq D(x) = 0$  which implies that  $D(y) = 0$ . Therefore,  $y \in D^{-1}(0)$ .  $\square$

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