

On varieties of commutative BCK-algebras

Covers of some varieties

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- \mathcal{L} is a subvariety of the variety of commutative BCK-algebras, \mathcal{C} . So, what are the covers of the \mathcal{S}_n 's (and of \mathcal{L}) in the subvariety lattice of \mathcal{C} ?

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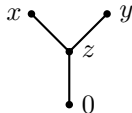
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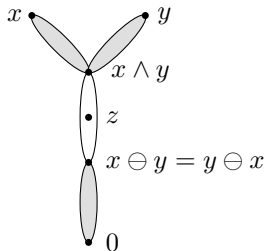
The smallest commutative BCK-algebra that is not an \perp BCK-algebra:



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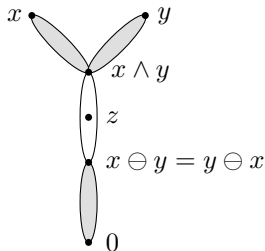
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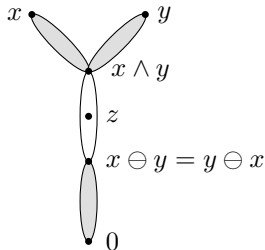
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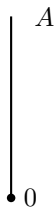


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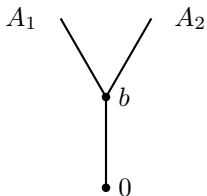
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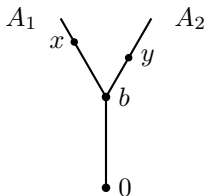
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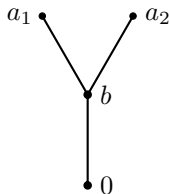
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We define $x \ominus y = x \ominus b$ in A_1 and $y \ominus x = y \ominus b$ in A_2 .

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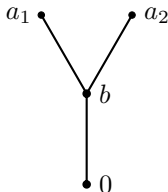
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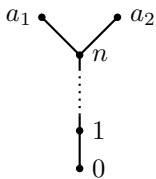
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This is a simple algebra.

Splitting $S_{n+1} = \{0, 1, \dots, n+1\}$:



$$a_1 \ominus a_2 = a_1 \ominus n = 1 \text{ and } a_2 \ominus a_1 = a_2 \ominus n = 1$$

Notation: $S_{n,2}$ or $M_2(S_n)$

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We say that A is **sectionally of finite length** if, for every $a \in A$, $[0, a]$ is of finite length.

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Suppose that A is sectionally of finite length. Then A is not a \mathfrak{L} BCK-algebra iff it has a subalgebra isomorphic to some $S_{n,2}$.

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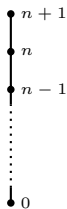
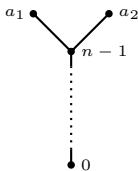
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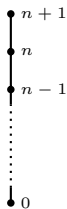
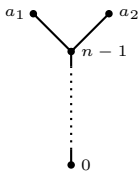
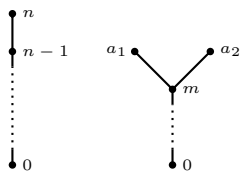
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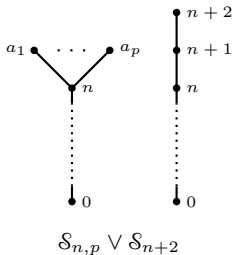
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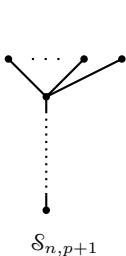
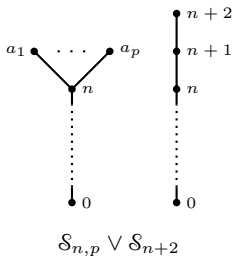
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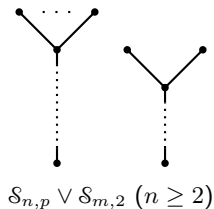
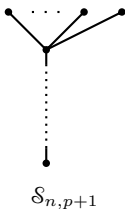
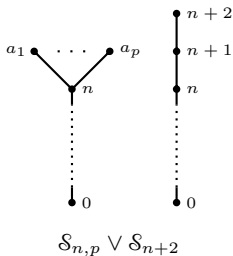
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$$(x \ominus (k+1)y) \wedge y = 0 \quad (E_{k+1})$$

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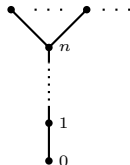
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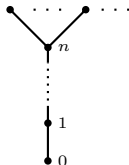


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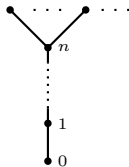
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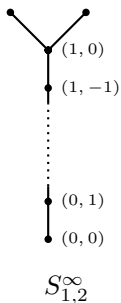
$$(x \ominus y) \wedge (y \ominus x) \leq x \ominus k((x \ominus y) \wedge (y \ominus x)) \quad (F_k)$$

iff $n \geq k$.



Every cBCK-algebra satisfies (F_1) .

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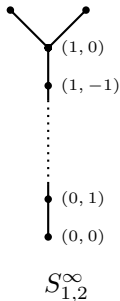
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for each k . Consequently, the variety $\mathcal{S}_{1,2}^\infty = \mathbf{V}(\mathcal{S}_{1,2}^\infty)$ is not generated by its finite members.



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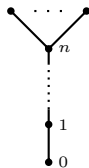
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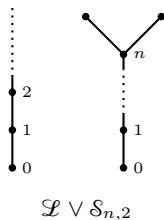
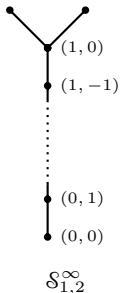
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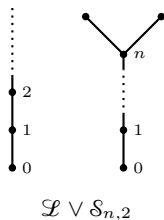
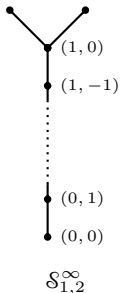
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