

# Right distributive QI-algebras with pseudo-valuations

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## Abstract

Using the Buşneag's model, the notion of a (pseudo-)valuation on a right distributive QI-algebra and a (pseudo-)metric induced by a (pseudo-)valuation is given. It is shown, that a binary operation in right distributive QI-algebra is uniformly continuous.

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## 1 Introduction

Buşneag [2] defined a pseudo-valuation on a Hilbert algebra, and proved that every pseudo-valuation induces a pseudo-metric on a Hilbert algebra. The notion of QI-algebras were introduced by Bandaru in [1].

In this paper, using the Buşneag's model, we introduce the notion of pseudo-valuations (valuations) on right distributive QI-algebras and we give a notion of a pseudo-metric by using a pseudo-valuation on a right distributive QI-algebra. We show that the binary operation  $*$  in right distributive QI-algebras such that, if  $x*y = y*x = 0$ , then  $x = y$ , is uniformly continuous.

## 2 Preliminaries

**Definition 2.1** ([1]) *A QI-algebra is a non-empty set  $X$  with a constant 0 and a binary operation  $*$  satisfying axioms:*

(QI1)  $x * x = 0$ ,

$$(QI2) \quad x * 0 = x,$$

$$(QI3) \quad x * (y * (x * y)) = x * y,$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

In [1], there was defined a binary relation  $\leq$  on  $X$  by

$$x \leq y \Leftrightarrow x * y = 0,$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

**Example 2.2** ([1]) Let  $X = \{0, a, b, c\}$  be a set and let us define an operation  $*$  on  $X$  by the table below:

*	0	a	b	c
0	0	0	0	0
a	a	0	a	0
b	b	b	0	b
c	c	0	a	0

Then  $(X, *, 0)$  is a QI-algebra.

**Definition 2.3** ([1]) Let  $X$  be a QI-algebra. A set  $I \subseteq X$  is called an ideal, if it satisfies the following conditions for all  $x, y \in X$ :

$$(I1) \quad 0 \in I;$$

$$(I2) \quad \text{If } x * y \in I \text{ and } y \in I, \text{ then } x \in I.$$

**Definition 2.4** ([1]) A QI-algebra  $X$  is said to be right distributive if

$$(QI4) \quad (x * y) * z = (x * z) * (y * z).$$

**Example 2.5** ([1]) A QI-algebra from Example 2.2 is a right distributive QI-algebra.

**Proposition 2.6** ([1]) Let  $(X, *, 0)$  be a right distributive QI-algebra. Then

$$(i) \quad \text{if } x \leq 0, \text{ then } x = 0;$$

$$(ii) \quad (x * y) * y \leq x;$$

$$(iii) \quad (x * y) * (x * z) \leq z * y;$$

$$(iv) \quad (x * z) * (y * z) \leq x * y.$$

**Definition 2.7** Let  $X$  be a right distributive QI-algebra and  $S \subseteq X$ . A set  $S$  is called a subalgebra of  $X$  if  $S$  is a right distributive QI-algebra with the same operation as  $X$ .

**Proposition 2.8** Let  $X$  be a right distributive QI-algebra and  $S \subseteq X$ . A set  $S$  is a subalgebra of  $X$  if and only if  $S$  satisfies the following conditions for all  $x, y \in X$

(SQ1)  $0 \in S$ ;

(SQ2) if  $x, y \in S$ , then  $x * y \in S$ .

### 3 Pseudo-valuations on a right distributive QI-algebras

**Definition 3.1** A real-valued function  $\varphi$  on a right distributive QI-algebra  $X$  is called a weak pseudo-valuation on  $X$  if it satisfies the following condition for all  $x, y \in X$  :

$$\varphi(x * y) \leq \varphi(x) + \varphi(y).$$

**Example 3.2** Let  $X = \{0, a, b, c\}$  be a right distributive QI-algebra from Example 2.2. Let  $\varphi$  be a real-valued function on  $X$  defined by

$$\varphi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a & b & c \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then  $\varphi$  is a weak pseudo-valuation on  $X$ .

**Proposition 3.3** For a weak pseudo-valuation  $\varphi$  on a right distributive QI-algebra  $X$ , we have

$$\varphi(x) \geq 0$$

for any  $x \in X$ .

**Proof.** Since for any  $x \in X$ , we have  $\varphi(0) = \varphi(0 * x) \leq \varphi(0) + \varphi(x)$ , then  $\varphi(x) \geq 0$ . ■

Let  $S$  be a subalgebra of a right distributive QI-algebra  $X$  and let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^+$  with  $a < b$ . Let us define a real-valued function  $\varphi_S$  as follows:

$$\varphi_S(x) = \begin{cases} a & \text{if } x \in S \\ b & \text{if } x \notin S \end{cases}.$$

**Theorem 3.4** A function  $\varphi_S$  is a weak pseudo-valuation on a right distributive QI-algebra  $X$ .

**Proof.** Straightforward. ■

**Definition 3.5** A real-valued function  $\varphi$  on a right distributive QI-algebra  $X$  is called a pseudo-valuation on  $X$ , if it satisfies two following conditions for all  $x, y \in X$  :

$$(PV1) \quad \varphi(0) = 0;$$

$$(PV2) \quad \varphi(x * y) \geq \varphi(x) - \varphi(y).$$

**Definition 3.6** Let  $\varphi$  be a pseudo-valuation on a a right distributive QI-algebra  $X$ . A function  $\varphi$  is called a valuation, if it satisfies the following condition for any  $x \in X$  :

$$(V) \quad x \neq 0 \Rightarrow \varphi(x) \neq 0.$$

**Example 3.7** Let  $X = \{0, a, b, c\}$  be a right distributive QI-algebra from Example 2.2. Let  $\varphi$  be a real-valued function on  $X$  defined by

$$\varphi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a & b & c \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then  $\varphi$  is a pseudo-valuation on  $X$ . What is more, it is a valuation on  $X$ .

**Example 3.8** For any ideal  $I$  of a right distributive QI-algebra  $X$  we define a real-valued function  $\varphi_I$  on  $X$  as follows:

$$\varphi_I(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ a & \text{if } x \in I - \{0\} \\ b & \text{if } x \in X - I \end{cases},$$

for all  $x \in X$  where  $0 < a < b$ . A function  $\varphi_I$  is a pseudo-valuation on  $X$  which is a valuation on  $X$ .

**Theorem 3.9** In a right distributive QI-algebra, every pseudo-valuation is a weak pseudo-valuation.

**Proof.** Let  $X$  be a right distributive QI-algebra and  $x, y \in X$ . From Proposition 2.6 (ii), we have  $(x * y) * y) * x = 0$ . Hence for a pseudo-valuation  $\varphi$ ,  $0 = \varphi(0) = \varphi((x * y) * y) * x) \geq \varphi((x * y) * y) - \varphi(x) \geq \varphi(x * y) - \varphi(y) - \varphi(x)$ . We get that  $\varphi(x * y) \leq \varphi(x) + \varphi(y)$  and therefore  $\varphi$  is a weak pseudo-valuation on  $X$ . ■

**Remark 3.10** The converse of Theorem 3.9 is not true, in general. A weak pseudo-valuation from Example 3.2 is not a pseudo-valuation on  $X$  since  $\varphi(a) - \varphi(c) = 3 - 2 = 1$  and  $\varphi(a * c) = 0$ .

**Proposition 3.11** Let  $\varphi$  be a pseudo-valuation on a right distributive QI-algebra  $X$ . Then for all  $x, y \in X$  :

- (i)  $\varphi$  is order preserving;
- (ii)  $\varphi(x * y) + \varphi(y * x) \geq 0$ ;
- (iii)  $\varphi(x * y) \leq \varphi(x * z) + \varphi(z * y)$ .

**Proof.** (i) Let  $x, y \in X$  be such that  $x \leq y$  and  $\varphi$  be a pseudo-valuation on  $X$ . Then we have  $\varphi(x) \leq \varphi(x * y) + \varphi(y)$ . Since  $x \leq y$ , then  $\varphi(x * y) = \varphi(0) = 0$ . Finally, we get  $\varphi(x) \leq \varphi(y)$ .

(ii) For any pseudo-valuation  $\varphi$  we have  $\varphi(x * y) + \varphi(y * x) \geq \varphi(x) - \varphi(y) + \varphi(y) - \varphi(x) = 0$ .

(iii) Let  $\varphi$  be a pseudo-valuation on  $X$ . Using Proposition 2.6 and (i) we get  $\varphi(z * y) \geq \varphi((x * y) * (x * z)) \geq \varphi(x * y) - \varphi(x * z)$ . Hence  $\varphi(x * y) \leq \varphi(x * z) + \varphi(z * y)$ . ■

**Theorem 3.12** Let  $\varphi$  be a real-valued function on a right distributive QI-algebra  $X$ . If  $\varphi$  satisfies (PV1) and for all  $x, y, z \in X$

$$(PV5) \quad \varphi(((x * y) * y) * z) \geq \varphi(x * y) - \varphi(z),$$

then  $\varphi$  is a pseudo-valuation on  $X$ .

**Proof.** Taking  $y = 0$  and using (QI2), we get  $\varphi(x * y) = \varphi(((x * 0) * 0) * y) \geq \varphi(x * 0) - \varphi(y) = \varphi(x) - \varphi(y)$ . ■

**Theorem 3.13** Let  $X$  be a right distributive QI-algebra and let  $\varphi$  be a pseudo-valuation on  $X$ . Then a set

$$I = \{x \in X : \varphi(x) = 0\}$$

is an ideal of  $X$ .

**Proof.** Since  $\varphi$  is a pseudo-valuation, then  $\varphi(0) = 0$ . Hence  $0 \in I$ . Now, let  $x * y, y \in I$ . Then  $\varphi(x * y) = \varphi(y) = 0$ . Using (PV2) we obtain  $0 \geq \varphi(x) - 0$ . By Theorem 3.9 and Proposition 3.3, we get  $\varphi(x) = 0$ . Hence  $x \in I$ . ■

For a real-valued function on a right distributive QI-algebra  $X$ , define a mapping  $d_\varphi : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $d_\varphi(x, y) = \varphi(x * y) + \varphi(y * x)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .

**Definition 3.14** A positive function  $d : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is called a pseudo-metric on  $X$ , if it satisfies the following conditions for all  $x, y \in X$  :

- (PM1)  $d(x, x) = 0$ ;
- (PM2)  $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$ ;
- (PM3)  $d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z)$ .

**Theorem 3.15** *Let  $X$  be a right distributive QI-algebra and let  $\varphi$  be a pseudo-valuation on  $X$ . Then  $d_\varphi$  is a pseudo-metric on  $X$  and so  $(X, d_\varphi)$  is a pseudo-metric space.*

**Proof.** *It is obvious that  $d_\varphi(x, y) \geq 0$ . Since  $x * x = 0$ , then  $d_\varphi(x, x) = \varphi(x, x) + \varphi(x, x) = 0 + 0 = 0$ . Obviously  $d_\varphi(x, y) = d_\varphi(y, x)$ . We need to show, that  $d_\varphi(x, z) \leq d_\varphi(x, y) + d_\varphi(y, z)$ . By Proposition 3.11, we have*

$$\begin{aligned} d_\varphi(x, y) + d_\varphi(y, z) &= (\varphi(x * y) + \varphi(y * x)) + (\varphi(y * z) + \varphi(z * y)) = \\ &= (\varphi(x * y) + \varphi(y * z)) + (\varphi(z * y) + \varphi(y, x)) \geq \\ &\geq \varphi(x * z) + \varphi(z * x) = d_\varphi(x, z). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $(X, d_\varphi)$  is a pseudo-metric space. ■

We say  $d_\varphi$  is a pseudo-metric induced by a pseudo-valuation  $\varphi$ .

**Proposition 3.16** *Let  $X$  be a right distributive QI-algebra. Then for every pseudo-metric  $d_\varphi$  induced by a pseudo-valuation  $\varphi$  we have:*

- (i)  $d_\varphi(x, y) \geq d_\varphi(x * a, y * a)$ ;
  - (ii)  $d_\varphi(x, y) \geq d_\varphi(a * x, a * y)$ ;
  - (iii)  $d_\varphi(x * y, a * b) \leq d_\varphi(x * y, a * y) + d_\varphi(a * y, a * b)$ ,
- for all  $x, y, a, b \in X$ .

**Proof.** (i) *Using Proposition 2.6 (iv) and Proposition 3.11 (i) we get  $\varphi((x * a) * (y * a)) \leq \varphi(x * y)$  and  $\varphi((y * a) * (x * a)) \leq \varphi(y * x)$  for all  $x, y, a \in X$ . Hence*

$$\begin{aligned} d_\varphi(x, y) &= \varphi(x * y) + \varphi(y * x) \geq \\ &\geq \varphi((x * a) * (y * a)) + \varphi((y * a) * (x * a)) = \\ &= d_\varphi(x * a, y * a). \end{aligned}$$

(ii) *Similarly to (i).*

(iii) *Using Proposition 3.11 (iii)*

$$\varphi((x * y) * (a * b)) \leq \varphi((x * y) * (a * y)) + \varphi((a * y) * (a * b))$$

and

$$\varphi((a * b) * (x * y)) \leq \varphi((a * b) * (a * y)) + \varphi((a * y) * (x * y))$$

for all  $x, y, a, b \in X$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
 d_\varphi(x * y, a * b) &= \varphi((x * y) * (a * b)) + \varphi((a * b) * (x * y)) \leq \\
 &\leq \varphi((x * y) * (a * y)) + \varphi((a * y) * (a * b)) + \\
 &+ \varphi((a * b) * (a * y)) + \varphi((a * y) * (x * y)) = \\
 &= [\varphi((x * y) * (a * y)) + \varphi((a * y) * (x * y))] + \\
 &+ [\varphi((a * y) * (a * b)) + \varphi((a * b) * (a * y))] = \\
 &= d_\varphi(x * y, a * y) + d_\varphi(a * y, a * b)
 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y, a, b \in X$ . ■

**Theorem 3.17** *Let  $\varphi$  be a pseudo-valuation on a right distributive QI-algebra. Then  $(X \times X, d_\varphi^*)$ , where*

$$d_\varphi^*((x, y), (a, b)) = \max(d_\varphi(x, a), d_\varphi(y, b)),$$

for all  $(x, y), (a, b) \in X \times X$ , is a pseudo-metric space.

**Proof.** Let  $\varphi$  be a pseudo-valuation on  $X$ . Then

$$d_\varphi^*((x, y), (x, y)) = \max(d_\varphi(x, x), d_\varphi(y, y)) = 0.$$

It is obvious that  $d_\varphi^*((x, y), (a, b)) = d_\varphi^*((a, b), (x, y))$ . Now, let  $(x, y), (a, b), (c, d) \in X \times X$ . We get that

$$\begin{aligned}
 d_\varphi^*((x, y), (c, d)) + d_\varphi^*((c, d), (a, b)) &= \max(d_\varphi(x, c), d_\varphi(y, d)) + \\
 &+ \max(d_\varphi(c, a), d_\varphi(d, b)) \geq \\
 &\geq \max(d_\varphi(x, c) + d_\varphi(c, a), d_\varphi(y, d) + d_\varphi(d, b)) \\
 &\geq \max(d_\varphi(x, a), d_\varphi(y, b)) \\
 &= d_\varphi^*((x, y), (a, b)).
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $(X \times X, d_\varphi^*)$  is a pseudo-metric space. ■

**Example 3.18** *Taking a valuation from Example 3.7 we obtain*

$$d_\varphi = \begin{pmatrix} (0, 0) & (0, a) & (0, b) & (0, c) & (a, a) & (a, b) & (a, c) & (b, b) & (b, c) & (c, c) \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 3 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Where  $(X, d_\varphi)$  is a pseudo-metric space.

**Remark 3.19**  $d_\varphi$  is not a metric, in general. Let us consider a pseudo-metric from Example 3.18. Then we have  $d_\varphi(a, c) = 0$  and obviously  $a \neq c$ .

**Theorem 3.20** *Let  $X$  be a right-distributive QI-algebra such that*

$$(\forall x, y \in X) ((x * y = 0 \wedge y * x = 0) \Rightarrow x = y) \quad (1)$$

*and let  $\varphi$  be a valuation on  $X$ . Then  $(X, d_\varphi)$  is a metric space.*

**Proof.** *Let  $\varphi$  be a valuation on  $X$ . Then by Theorem 3.15  $d_\varphi$  is a pseudo-metric. We need to show, that if  $d_\varphi(x, y) = 0$ , then  $x = y$ . Let  $x, y \in X$  be such that  $d_\varphi(x, y) = 0$ . Then  $\varphi(x * y) + \varphi(y * x) = 0$ . Using Proposition 3.3 and condition (1), we get that  $\varphi(x * y) = 0$  and  $\varphi(y * x) = 0$ . Hence  $x * y = 0$  and  $y * x = 0$  and so  $x = y$ . Therefore  $d_\varphi$  is a metric. ■*

**Theorem 3.21** *Let  $\varphi$  be a valuation on a right distributive QI-algebra  $X$  satisfying a condition (1). Then  $(X \times X, d_\varphi^*)$  is a metric space.*

**Proof.** *Let  $\varphi$  be a valuation on  $X$ . Then by Theorem 3.17  $(X \times X, d_\varphi^*)$  is a pseudo-metric space. Now, suppose  $(x, y), (a, b) \in X \times X$  are such that  $d_\varphi^*((x, y), (a, b)) = 0$ . Hence  $\max(d_\varphi(x, a), d_\varphi(y, b)) = 0$ . By Definition of  $d_\varphi^*$  and Proposition 3.3,  $d_\varphi(x, a) = d_\varphi(y, b) = 0$ . Therefore  $x = a$  and  $y = b$ . Hence  $(x, y) = (a, b)$  and so  $(X \times X, d_\varphi^*)$  is a metric space. ■*

**Theorem 3.22** *Let  $\varphi$  be a valuation on a right distributive QI-algebra satisfying a condition (1). The operation  $*$  is uniformly continuous.*

**Proof.** *Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and suppose that  $d_\varphi^*((x, y), (a, b)) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ . Then  $d_\varphi(x, a) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$  and  $d_\varphi(y, b) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ . Using Proposition 3.16, we obtain*

$$d_\varphi(x * y, a * b) \leq d_\varphi(x * y, a * y) + d_\varphi(a * y, a * b) \leq d_\varphi(x, a) + d_\varphi(y, b) < \varepsilon.$$

*Therefore  $*$  :  $X \times X \rightarrow X$  is uniformly continuous. ■*

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