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## Codewords generated by UP-valued functions

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**Abstract:** The concept of a UP-valued function on a nonempty set was introduced by Ansari et al. [3]. Codewords in a binary block-code generated by a UP-valued function are established and some interesting results are obtained. Finally, we prove that every finite UP-algebra  $A$  which has the order less than or equal to the order of a finite set  $X$  determines a binary block-code  $V$  such that  $(A, \leq)$  is isomorphic to  $(V, \leq)$ .

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### 1. Introduction and preliminaries

Among many algebraic structures, algebras of logic form important class of algebras. Examples of these are BCK-algebras [9], BCI-algebras [10], BE-algebras [12], UP-algebras [6], extension of KU/UP-algebras [18] and others. They are strongly connected with logic. For example, BCI-algebras introduced by Iséki [10] in 1966 have connections with BCI-logic being the BCI-system in combinatory logic which has application in the language of functional programming. BCK and BCI-algebras are two classes of logical algebras. They were introduced by Imai and Iséki [9, 10] in 1966 and have been extensively investigated by many researchers.

Jun and Song [11] said the following: In computer science, a block code is a type of channel coding. It adds redundancy to a message so that, at the receiver, one can decode with minimal (theoretically zero) errors, provided that the information rate would not exceed the channel capacity. The main characterization of a block code is that it is a fixed length channel code (unlike source coding schemes such as Huffman coding, and unlike channel coding methods like convolutional encoding). Typically, a block code takes a  $k$ -digit information word, and transforms this into an  $n$ -digit codeword. Block

coding is the primary type of channel coding used in earlier mobile communication systems. A block code is a code which encodes strings formed an alphabet set  $S$  into code words by encoding each letter of  $S$  separately.

Coding theory was applied to BCK-algebras in 2011 by Jun and Song [11] and in 2015 by Flaut [5]. They proved that every finite BCK-algebra determines a binary block-code. In 2015, Mostafa et al. [15] applied coding theory to KU-algebras and gave some relation and connection between binary block-codes and KU-algebras. They proved that every finite KU-algebra determines a binary block-code which is isomorphic to it. In 2020, Koam et al. [13] defined and investigated KU-valued generalized cut functions and their properties. They proved that for each  $n$ -ary block code  $K$  we can associate a KU-algebra  $X$ , such that the constructed  $n$ -ary block codes generated by  $X$ , and proved that for every  $n$ -ary block code  $K$ , there exists a KU-valued function on a KU-algebra which determines  $K$ . Moreover, they have introduced and studied UP-valued functions in [3]. For many studies of KU-algebras, see [14, 16, 23, 25].

In this paper, we establish binary block-codes by using the concept of UP-valued functions, introduced by Ansari et al. [3]. We show that every finite UP-algebra  $A$  which has the order less than or equal to the order of a finite set  $X$  determines a binary block-code  $V$  such that  $(A, \leq)$  is isomorphic to  $(V, \leq)$ .

Before we begin our study, let's review the definition of UP-algebras.

**Definition 1.1.** [6] An algebra  $A = (A, \cdot, 0)$  of type  $(2, 0)$  is called a *UP-algebra*, where  $A$  is a nonempty set,  $\cdot$  is a binary operation on  $A$ , and  $0$  is a fixed element of  $A$  (i.e., a nullary operation) if it satisfies the following axioms:

$$\text{(for all } x, y, z \in A)((y \cdot z) \cdot ((x \cdot y) \cdot (x \cdot z)) = 0), \quad (1.1)$$

$$\text{(for all } x \in A)(0 \cdot x = x), \quad (1.2)$$

$$\text{(for all } x \in A)(x \cdot 0 = 0), \text{ and} \quad (1.3)$$

$$\text{(for all } x, y \in A)(x \cdot y = 0, y \cdot x = 0 \Rightarrow x = y). \quad (1.4)$$

From [6], we know that the concept of UP-algebras is a generalization of KU-algebras (see [17]).

The binary relation  $\leq$  on a UP-algebra  $A = (A, \cdot, 0)$  defined as follows:

$$\text{(for all } x, y \in A)(x \leq y \Leftrightarrow x \cdot y = 0) \quad (1.5)$$

and the following assertions are valid (see [6, 7]).

$$\text{(for all } x \in A)(x \leq x), \quad (1.6)$$

$$\text{(for all } x, y, z \in A)(x \leq y, y \leq z \Rightarrow x \leq z), \quad (1.7)$$

$$\text{(for all } x, y, z \in A)(x \leq y \Rightarrow z \cdot x \leq z \cdot y), \quad (1.8)$$

$$\text{(for all } x, y, z \in A)(x \leq y \Rightarrow y \cdot z \leq x \cdot z), \quad (1.9)$$

$$\text{(for all } x, y, z \in A)(x \leq y \cdot x, \text{ in particular, } y \cdot z \leq x \cdot (y \cdot z)), \quad (1.10)$$

$$\text{(for all } x, y \in A)(y \cdot x \leq x \Leftrightarrow x = y \cdot x), \quad (1.11)$$

$$\text{(for all } x, y \in A)(x \leq y \cdot y), \quad (1.12)$$

$$\text{(for all } a, x, y, z \in A)(x \cdot (y \cdot z) \leq x \cdot ((a \cdot y) \cdot (a \cdot z))), \quad (1.13)$$

$$\text{(for all } a, x, y, z \in A)((a \cdot x) \cdot (a \cdot y)) \cdot z \leq (x \cdot y) \cdot z), \quad (1.14)$$

$$\text{(for all } x, y, z \in A)((x \cdot y) \cdot z \leq y \cdot z), \quad (1.15)$$

$$\text{(for all } x, y, z \in A)(x \leq y \Rightarrow x \leq z \cdot y), \quad (1.16)$$

$$\text{(for all } x, y, z \in A)((x \cdot y) \cdot z \leq x \cdot (y \cdot z)), \text{ and} \quad (1.17)$$

$$\text{(for all } a, x, y, z \in A)((x \cdot y) \cdot z \leq y \cdot (a \cdot z)). \quad (1.18)$$

**Example 1.2.** [20] Let  $U$  be a nonempty set and let  $X \in \mathcal{P}(U)$  where  $\mathcal{P}(U)$  means the power set of  $U$ . Let  $\mathcal{P}_X(U) = \{A \in \mathcal{P}(U) \mid X \subseteq A\}$ . Define a binary operation  $\Delta$  on  $\mathcal{P}_X(U)$  by putting  $A \Delta B = B \cap (A^C \cup X)$  for all  $A, B \in \mathcal{P}_X(U)$  where  $A^C$  means the complement of a subset  $A$ . Then  $(\mathcal{P}_X(U), \Delta, X)$  is a UP-algebra. Let  $\mathcal{P}^X(U) = \{A \in \mathcal{P}(U) \mid A \subseteq X\}$ . Define a binary operation  $\blacktriangle$  on  $\mathcal{P}^X(U)$  by putting  $A \blacktriangle B = B \cup (A^C \cap X)$  for all  $A, B \in \mathcal{P}^X(U)$ . Then  $(\mathcal{P}^X(U), \blacktriangle, X)$  is a UP-algebra.

**Example 1.3.** [4] Let  $\mathbb{Z}^*$  be the set of all nonnegative integers. Define two binary operations  $\circ$  and  $\star$  on  $\mathbb{Z}^*$  by:

$$\text{(for all } m, n \in \mathbb{Z}^*) \left( m \circ n = \begin{cases} n & \text{if } m < n, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \right)$$

and

$$\text{(for all } m, n \in \mathbb{Z}^*) \left( m \star n = \begin{cases} n & \text{if } m > n \text{ or } m = 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \right).$$

Then  $(\mathbb{Z}^*, \circ, 0)$  and  $(\mathbb{Z}^*, \star, 0)$  are UP-algebras.

For more examples of UP-algebras, see [1, 2, 7, 8, 19–22, 24].

## 2. UP-valued functions

First of all, we recall the definition of a UP-valued function on a nonempty set, which is introduced by Ansari et al. [3]. In what follows let  $X$  and  $A$  denote a nonempty set and a UP-algebra respectively, unless otherwise specified.

**Definition 2.1.** A mapping  $\widetilde{X}: X \rightarrow A$  is called a *UP-valued function* on  $X$ .

**Definition 2.2.** A cut function of  $\widetilde{X}$ , for  $a \in A$  is defined to be a mapping  $\widetilde{X}_a: X \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  such that

$$\text{(for all } x \in X) \left( \widetilde{X}_a(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \widetilde{X}(x) \cdot a = 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \right). \quad (2.1)$$

Equivalently,

$$\text{(for all } x \in X) \left( \widetilde{X}_a(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \widetilde{X}(x) \leq a, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \right). \quad (2.2)$$

Obviously,  $\widetilde{X}_a$  is the characteristic function of the following subset of  $X$ , called a *cut subset* or an *a-cut* of  $\widetilde{X}$ :

$$X_a = \{x \in X \mid \widetilde{X}(x) \cdot a = 0\} = \{x \in X \mid \widetilde{X}(x) \leq a\}. \tag{2.3}$$

Then

$$X_0 = X \tag{2.4}$$

and

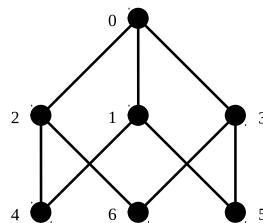
$$\text{(for all } x \in X)(x \in X_{\widetilde{X}(x)}). \tag{2.5}$$

By (2.1) and (2.3), we note that

$$X_a = \{x \in X \mid \widetilde{X}_a(x) = 1\}. \tag{2.6}$$

**Example 2.3.** Let  $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$  be a UP-algebra with a fixed element 0 and a binary operation  $\cdot$  defined by the following Cayley table, as Figure 1:

$\cdot$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
$\widetilde{X}(x) = 0$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	0	0	2	3	2	3	6
$\widetilde{X}(y) = 2$	0	1	0	3	1	5	3
3	0	1	2	0	4	1	2
4	0	0	0	3	0	3	3
5	0	0	2	0	2	0	2
$\widetilde{X}(z) = 6$	0	1	0	0	1	1	0



**Figure 1.**  $(A, \leq)$ .

Let  $X = \{x, y, z\}$  and we define a UP-valued function  $\widetilde{X}: X \rightarrow A$  on  $X$  by:

$$\widetilde{X} = \begin{pmatrix} x & y & z \\ 0 & 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then all cut subsets of  $\widetilde{X}$  are as follows:

$$X_0 = X, X_1 = \emptyset, X_2 = \{y, z\}, X_3 = \{z\}, X_4 = \emptyset, X_5 = \emptyset, \text{ and } X_6 = \{z\}.$$

**Proposition 2.4.** Every UP-valued function  $\widetilde{X}: X \rightarrow A$  on  $X$  is represented by the minimum of the set  $\{q \in A \mid \widetilde{X}_q(x) = 1\}$  for all  $x \in X$ , that is,

$$\text{(for all } x \in X)(\widetilde{X}(x) = \min\{q \in A \mid \widetilde{X}_q(x) = 1\}). \tag{2.7}$$

*Proof.* Let  $x \in X$ . Then  $\widetilde{X}(x) = r$  for some  $r \in A$ . By (1.6), we have  $\widetilde{X}(x) \cdot r = 0$  and so  $\widetilde{X}_r(x) = 1$ . Thus  $r \in \{q \in A \mid \widetilde{X}_q(x) = 1\}$ . Let  $q \in A$  be such that  $\widetilde{X}_q(x) = 1$ . Then  $r \cdot q = \widetilde{X}(x) \cdot q = 0$ , so  $r \leq q$ . Hence,

$$\widetilde{X}(x) = r = \min\{q \in A \mid \widetilde{X}_q(x) = 1\}.$$

□

**Proposition 2.5.** Let  $\widetilde{X}: X \rightarrow A$  be a UP-valued function on  $X$ . Then

$$(for\ all\ q, r \in A)(q \leq r \Rightarrow X_q \subseteq X_r). \quad (2.8)$$

*Proof.* Let  $q, r \in A$  be such that  $q \leq r$ . Then  $q \cdot r = 0$ . Let  $x \in X_q$ . Then  $\widetilde{X}(x) \cdot q = 0$ . By (1.9) and (1.2), we have  $0 = (q \cdot r) \cdot (\widetilde{X}(x) \cdot r) = 0 \cdot (\widetilde{X}(x) \cdot r) = \widetilde{X}(x) \cdot r$ , that is,  $x \in X_r$ . Hence,  $X_q \subseteq X_r$ . □

The following example shows that the converse of (2.8) of Proposition 2.5 is not true in general.

**Example 2.6.** From Example 2.3, we have  $X_5 = \emptyset \subseteq \{z\} = X_6$  but  $5 \not\leq 6$ .

**Corollary 2.7.** Let  $\widetilde{X}: X \rightarrow A$  be a UP-valued function on  $X$ . Then

$$(for\ all\ x, y \in X)(\widetilde{X}(x) = \widetilde{X}(y) \Leftrightarrow X_{\widetilde{X}(x)} = X_{\widetilde{X}(y)}). \quad (2.9)$$

*Proof.* It is straightforward by Proposition 2.5, (1.6), (2.5), and (1.4). □

**Corollary 2.8.** Let  $\widetilde{X}: X \rightarrow A$  be a UP-valued function on  $X$ . Then

$$(for\ all\ x, y \in X)(\widetilde{X}(x) \leq \widetilde{X}(y) \Leftrightarrow X_{\widetilde{X}(x)} \subseteq X_{\widetilde{X}(y)}). \quad (2.10)$$

*Proof.* It is straightforward by Proposition 2.5 and (2.5). □

For a UP-valued function  $\widetilde{X}: X \rightarrow A$  on  $X$ , consider the following sets:

$$X_A = \{X_a \mid a \in A\}$$

and

$$\widetilde{X}_A = \{\widetilde{X}_a \mid a \in A\}.$$

**Proposition 2.9.** Let  $\widetilde{X}: X \rightarrow A$  be a UP-valued function on  $X$ . Then

$$(for\ all\ Y \subseteq A, \inf Y \text{ exists})(X_{\inf Y} = \bigcap_{y \in Y} X_y). \quad (2.11)$$

*Proof.* Let  $Y \subseteq A$  be such that  $\inf Y$  exists and let  $x \in X$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} x \in X_{\inf Y} &\Leftrightarrow \widetilde{X}(x) \cdot \inf Y = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow (\text{for all } y \in Y)(\widetilde{X}(x) \cdot y = 0) \\ &\Leftrightarrow (\text{for all } y \in Y)(x \in X_y) \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in \bigcap_{y \in Y} X_y. \end{aligned} \quad ((1.7))$$

Hence,  $X_{\inf Y} = \bigcap_{y \in Y} X_y$ . □

**Corollary 2.10.** Let  $\tilde{X}: X \rightarrow A$  be a UP-valued function on  $X$ . Then

$$(for\ all\ Y \subseteq A, \inf Y\ exists)(\bigcap_{y \in Y} X_y \in X_A). \quad (2.12)$$

*Proof.* It is straightforward by Proposition 2.9.  $\square$

The following example shows that the result of Corollary 2.10 is not true in case of union operation.

**Example 2.11.** From Example 2.3, we define a new UP-valued function  $\tilde{X}: X \rightarrow A$  on  $X$  by:

$$\tilde{X} = \begin{pmatrix} x & y & z \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then cut subsets of  $\tilde{X}$  are

$$X_0 = X, X_1 = \{x\}, X_2 = \{y\}, X_3 = \{z\}, X_4 = \emptyset, X_5 = \emptyset, \text{ and } X_6 = \emptyset.$$

Let  $Y = \{1, 2\}$ . Then  $\inf Y$  exists and equal 4 but  $X_1 \cup X_2 = \{x, y\} \notin X_A$ .

**Proposition 2.12.** Let  $\tilde{X}: X \rightarrow A$  be a UP-valued function on  $X$ . Then

$$\bigcup_{a \in A} X_a = X. \quad (2.13)$$

$$(for\ all\ x \in X)(\bigcup_{a \in A} \{X_a \mid x \in X_a\} = X). \quad (2.14)$$

*Proof.* It is straightforward by (2.4).  $\square$

For a UP-valued function  $\tilde{X}: X \rightarrow A$  on  $X$ , define the binary relation  $\Theta$  on  $A$  by:

$$(for\ all\ a, b \in A)(a \Theta b \Leftrightarrow X_a = X_b). \quad (2.15)$$

**Theorem 2.13.** Let  $\tilde{X}: X \rightarrow A$  be a UP-valued function on  $X$ . Then the binary relation  $\Theta$  which is defined in (2.15) is an equivalence relation on  $A$ .

*Proof.* Straightforward.  $\square$

If  $x \in A$ , then the  $\Theta$ -class of  $x$  is the set  $(x)_\Theta$  defined as follows:

$$(x)_\Theta = \{y \in A \mid x \Theta y\}.$$

We define two subsets of  $A$  by:

$$\text{Im}(\tilde{X}) = \tilde{X}(X) = \{a \in A \mid \tilde{X}(x) = a \text{ for some } x \in X\} \quad (2.16)$$

and

$$(for\ all\ b \in A)((b) = \{a \in A \mid a \cdot b = 0\} = \{a \in A \mid a \leq b\}). \quad (2.17)$$

By (1.4), we have the following assertions:

$$(for\ all\ a, b \in A)((a) = (b) \Leftrightarrow a = b). \quad (2.18)$$

**Proposition 2.14.** Let  $\tilde{X}: X \rightarrow A$  be a UP-valued function on  $X$ . Then

$$(for\ all\ a, b \in A)(a\Theta b \Leftrightarrow (a] \cap \text{Im}(\tilde{X}) = (b] \cap \text{Im}(\tilde{X})). \quad (2.19)$$

In particular, if  $\tilde{X}$  is surjective, then

$$(for\ all\ a, b \in A)(a\Theta b \Leftrightarrow (a] = (b] \Leftrightarrow a = b). \quad (2.20)$$

*Proof.* For all  $a, b \in A$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} a\Theta b &\Leftrightarrow X_a = X_b \\ &\Leftrightarrow (\text{for all } x \in X)(\tilde{X}(x) \cdot a = 0 \Leftrightarrow \tilde{X}(x) \cdot b = 0) \end{aligned} \quad ((2.3))$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \{x \in X \mid \tilde{X}(x) \in (a]\} = \{x \in X \mid \tilde{X}(x) \in (b]\} \quad ((2.17))$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (a] \cap \text{Im}(\tilde{X}) = (b] \cap \text{Im}(\tilde{X}).$$

□

**Example 2.15.** From Example 2.3, we have all cut subsets of  $\tilde{X}$  are as follows:

$$X_0 = X, X_1 = \emptyset, X_2 = \{y, z\}, X_3 = \{z\}, X_4 = \emptyset, X_5 = \emptyset, \text{ and } X_6 = \{z\}.$$

Then all cut functions of  $\tilde{X}$  are as follows:

$\cdot$	$x$	$y$	$z$
$\tilde{X}_0$	1	1	1
$\tilde{X}_1$	0	0	0
$\tilde{X}_2$	0	1	1
$\tilde{X}_3$	0	0	1
$\tilde{X}_4$	0	0	0
$\tilde{X}_5$	0	0	0
$\tilde{X}_6$	0	0	1

### 3. Codewords generated by UP-valued functions

In this section, we establish codewords in a binary block-code generated by a UP-valued function. Finally, we prove that every finite UP-algebra which has the order less than or equal to the order of a finite set determines a binary block-code which is isomorphic to it.

**Lemma 3.1.** Let  $\tilde{X}: X \rightarrow A$  be a UP-valued function on  $X$ . Then

$$(for\ all\ x \in X)(\tilde{X}(x) = \max(\tilde{X}(x))_{\Theta} \cap \text{Im}(\tilde{X})). \quad (3.1)$$

In particular, if  $\tilde{X}$  is surjective, then

$$(for\ all\ x \in \tilde{X})(\tilde{X}(x) = \max(\tilde{X}(x))_{\Theta}). \quad (3.2)$$

*Proof.* Let  $x \in X$ . Then  $\widetilde{X}(x) \in (\widetilde{X}(x))_{\Theta} \cap \text{Im}(\widetilde{X})$ . Let  $a \in (\widetilde{X}(x))_{\Theta} \cap \text{Im}(\widetilde{X})$ . By Proposition 2.14, we have  $a \in (a] \cap \text{Im}(\widetilde{X}) = (\widetilde{X}(x)] \cap \text{Im}(\widetilde{X})$ . Thus  $a \in (\widetilde{X}(x)]$ , that is,  $a \leq \widetilde{X}(x)$ . Hence,  $\widetilde{X}(x) = \max(\widetilde{X}(x))_{\Theta} \cap \text{Im}(\widetilde{X})$ .  $\square$

Let  $X$  be a nonempty set with  $n$  elements. We consider  $X = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  and let  $A$  be a UP-algebra. For each UP-valued function  $\widetilde{X}: X \rightarrow A$  on  $X$ , we can define a binary block-code  $V$  of length  $n$  in the following way: Each  $\Theta$ -class  $(a)_{\Theta}$  where  $a \in A$ , will corresponds to a codeword  $w_a = a_1 a_2 a_3 \dots a_n$  with

$$(\text{for all } i \in X, j \in \{0, 1\})(a_i = j \Leftrightarrow \widetilde{X}_a(i) = j). \tag{3.3}$$

We observe that

$$(\text{for all } a, b \in A)((a)_{\Theta} = (b)_{\Theta} \Leftrightarrow w_a = w_b). \tag{3.4}$$

Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned} (a)_{\Theta} = (b)_{\Theta} &\Leftrightarrow X_a = X_b \\ &\Leftrightarrow \{i \in X \mid \widetilde{X}_a(i) = 1\} = \{i \in X \mid \widetilde{X}_b(i) = 1\} \\ &\Leftrightarrow (\text{for all } i \in X)(a_i = b_i) \\ &\Leftrightarrow w_a = w_b. \end{aligned} \tag{(2.6)}$$

Let  $w_a = a_1 a_2 a_3 \dots a_n$  and  $w_b = b_1 b_2 b_3 \dots b_n$  be two codewords belonging to a binary block-code  $V$ . Define an order relation  $\leq$  on the set of codewords belonging to a binary block-code  $V$  as follows:

$$w_a \leq w_b \Leftrightarrow \text{for all } i \in X, a_i \leq b_i. \tag{3.5}$$

**Example 3.2.** From Example 2.3, we have all cut subsets of  $\widetilde{X}$  are as follows:

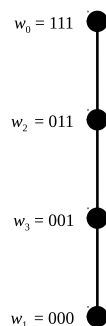
$$X_0 = X, X_1 = \emptyset, X_2 = \{y, z\}, X_3 = \{z\}, X_4 = \emptyset, X_5 = \emptyset, \text{ and } X_6 = \{z\}.$$

Then the equivalence relation  $\Theta$  on  $A$  is as follows:

$$\Theta = \{(0, 0), (1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4), (5, 5), (6, 6), (1, 4), (4, 1), (1, 5), (5, 1), (4, 5), (5, 4), (3, 6), (6, 3)\}.$$

From Example 2.15, we have all distinct codewords of the binary block-code  $V$  are as follows (see Figure 2):

$$w_0 = 111, w_1 = w_4 = w_5 = 000, w_2 = 011, \text{ and } w_3 = w_6 = 001.$$



**Figure 2.**  $(V, \leq)$ .

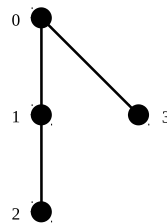
From Figures 1 and 2, we conclude that  $(A, \leq)$  is not isomorphic to  $(V, \leq)$ .



The following example will lead to the next important theorem.

**Example 3.3.** Let  $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$  be a UP-algebra with a fixed element 0 and a binary operation  $\cdot$  defined by the following Cayley table, as Figure 3:

$\cdot$	0	1	2	3
0	0	1	2	3
1	0	0	1	3
2	0	0	0	3
3	0	1	1	0



**Figure 3.**  $(A, \leq)$ .

Let  $\tilde{A}: A \rightarrow A$  be the identity UP-valued function on  $A$ . Then all cut subsets of  $\tilde{X}$  are as follows:

$$A_0 = A, A_1 = \{1, 2\}, A_2 = \{2\}, \text{ and } A_3 = \{3\}.$$

Thus all cut functions of  $\tilde{A}$  are as follows:

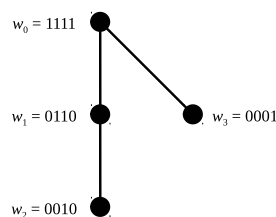
	0	1	2	3
$\tilde{A}_0$	1	1	1	1
$\tilde{A}_1$	0	1	1	0
$\tilde{A}_2$	0	0	1	0
$\tilde{A}_3$	0	0	0	1

and the equivalence relation  $\Theta$  on  $A$  is as follows:

$$\Theta = \{(0, 0), (1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3)\}.$$

Hence, all distinct codewords of the binary block-code  $V$  are as follows (see Figure 4):

$$w_0 = 1111, w_1 = 0110, w_2 = 0010, \text{ and } w_3 = 0001.$$



**Figure 4.**  $(V, \leq)$ .

From Figures 3 and 4, we conclude that  $(A, \leq)$  is isomorphic to  $(V, \leq)$  under the isomorphism sending  $a \mapsto w_a$ . In addition, the error pattern  $e = 1000$  can be detected because  $w_0 + e = 1111 + 1000 = 0111 \notin V$ ,  $w_1 + e = 0110 + 1000 = 1110 \notin V$ ,  $w_2 + e = 0010 + 1000 = 1010 \notin V$ , and  $w_3 + e = 0001 + 1000 = 1001 \notin V$ . Hence,  $V$  detects  $e$ .

**Theorem 3.4.** *Every finite UP-algebra  $A$  which is equipotent to a nonempty set  $X$  determines a binary block-code  $V$  such that  $(A, \leq)$  is isomorphic to  $(V, \leq)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $A = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  be a finite UP-algebra in which 0 is the maximum element,  $X = \{x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$  and let  $\tilde{X}: X \rightarrow A$  be a bijective UP-valued function on  $X$  sending  $x_a \mapsto a$ . By (2.20) of Proposition 2.14 and (2.18), we have

$$\text{(for all } a \in A)(a)_\Theta = \{b \in A \mid (a) = (b)\} = \{a\}. \quad (3.6)$$

Thus  $\Theta = \{(a, a) \mid a \in A\}$ . By (3.4), we have all codewords  $w_a$  of the binary block-code  $V$  are distinct. Let  $f: A \rightarrow V$  be a function defined by:

$$\text{(for all } a \in A)(f(a) = w_a).$$

Clearly,  $f$  is surjective. By (3.4) and (3.6), we have  $f$  is injective. Thus  $f$  is bijective. Let  $a, b \in A$  be such that  $a \leq b$ . By (2.8) of Proposition 2.5, we have  $X_a \subseteq X_b$ . This means that  $w_a \leq w_b$ , that is,  $f(a) \leq f(b)$ . Conversely, let  $a, b \in A$  be such that  $f(a) \leq f(b)$ . Then  $w_a \leq w_b$ , so  $X_a \subseteq X_b$ . By (2.5), we have  $x_a \in X_{\tilde{X}(x_a)} = X_a \subseteq X_b$ , that is,  $a = \tilde{X}(x_a) \leq b$ . Hence,  $(A, \leq)$  is isomorphic to  $(V, \leq)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.5.** *Every finite UP-algebra  $A$  determines a binary block-code  $V$  such that  $(A, \leq)$  is isomorphic to  $(V, \leq)$ .*

**Corollary 3.6.** *Every finite UP-algebra  $A$  which has the order less than or equal to the order of a finite set  $X$  determines a binary block-code  $V$  such that  $(A, \leq)$  is isomorphic to  $(V, \leq)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $A = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  be a finite UP-algebra in which 0 is the maximum element,  $X = \{x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m\}$  for  $m \geq n$  and let  $\tilde{X}: X \rightarrow A$  be a UP-valued function on  $X$  defined by:

$$\tilde{X} = \begin{pmatrix} x_0 & x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_n & x_{n+1} & x_{n+2} & x_m \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & \dots & n & n & n & n \end{pmatrix}.$$

The proof is also given in a similar way of the proof of Theorem 3.4. Hence,  $(A, \leq)$  is isomorphic to  $(V, \leq)$ .  $\square$

It is not necessary for  $(A, \leq)$  and  $(V, \leq)$  to be isomorphic under the identity UP-valued function on  $A$ , which shown by the following example.

**Example 3.7.** Let  $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$  be a UP-algebra with a fixed element 0 and a binary

operation  $\cdot$  defined by the following Cayley table, as Figure 5:

$\cdot$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$\tilde{A}(1) = 0$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$\tilde{A}(0) = 1$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
$\tilde{A}(7) = 2$	0	7	0	7	7	0	0	7
$\tilde{A}(6) = 3$	0	6	6	0	6	0	6	0
$\tilde{A}(5) = 4$	0	5	5	5	0	5	0	0
$\tilde{A}(4) = 5$	0	4	6	7	4	0	6	7
$\tilde{A}(3) = 6$	0	3	5	3	7	5	0	7
$\tilde{A}(2) = 7$	0	2	2	5	6	5	6	0

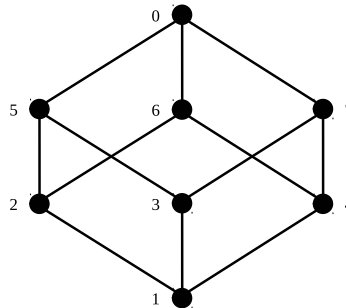


Figure 5.  $(A, \leq)$ .

Let  $\tilde{A}: A \rightarrow A$  be a UP-valued function on  $A$  defined by:

$$\tilde{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 1 & 0 & 7 & 6 & 5 & 4 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then all cut subsets of  $\tilde{A}$  are as follows:

$A_0 = A, A_1 = \{0\}, A_2 = \{0, 7\}, A_3 = \{0, 6\}, A_4 = \{0, 5\}, A_5 = \{0, 4, 6, 7\}, A_6 = \{0, 3, 5, 7\},$  and  $A_7 = \{0, 2, 5, 6\}.$

Thus all cut functions of  $\tilde{A}$  are as follows:

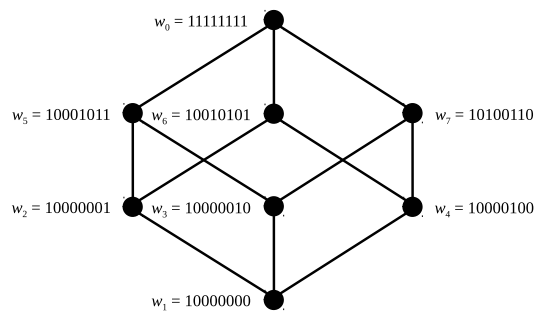
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$\tilde{A}_0$	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
$\tilde{A}_1$	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
$\tilde{A}_2$	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
$\tilde{A}_3$	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
$\tilde{A}_4$	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
$\tilde{A}_5$	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
$\tilde{A}_6$	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
$\tilde{A}_7$	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0

and the equivalence relation  $\Theta$  on  $A$  is as follows:

$$\Theta = \{(0, 0), (1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4), (5, 5), (6, 6), (7, 7)\}.$$

Hence, all distinct codewords of the binary block-code  $V$  are as follows (see Figure 6):

$$w_0 = 11111111, w_1 = 10000000, w_2 = 10000001, w_3 = 10000010, w_4 = 10000100, w_5 = 10001011, \\ w_6 = 10010101, \text{ and } w_7 = 10100110.$$



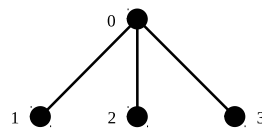
**Figure 6.**  $(V, \leq)$ .

From Figures 7 and 8, we conclude that  $(A, \leq)$  is isomorphic to  $(V, \leq)$  under the isomorphism sending  $a \mapsto w_a$ .

The following last example supports Corollary 3.8.

**Example 3.8.** Let  $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$  be a UP-algebra with a fixed element 0 and a binary operation  $\cdot$  defined by the following Cayley table, as Figure 7:

	·	0	1	2	3
$\tilde{X}(u) = 0$		0	1	2	3
$\tilde{X}(v) = 1$		0	0	2	3
$\tilde{X}(w) = \tilde{X}(x) = 2$		0	1	0	3
$\tilde{X}(y) = \tilde{X}(z) = 3$		0	1	2	0



**Figure 7.**  $(A, \leq)$ .

Let  $X = \{u, v, w, x, y, z\}$  and we define a UP-valued function  $\tilde{X}: X \rightarrow A$  on  $X$  by:

$$\tilde{X} = \begin{pmatrix} u & v & w & x & y & z \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then all cut subsets of  $\widetilde{X}$  are as follows:

$$X_0 = X, X_1 = \{v\}, X_2 = \{w, x\}, \text{ and } X_3 = \{y, z\}.$$

Thus all cut functions of  $\widetilde{X}$  are as follows:

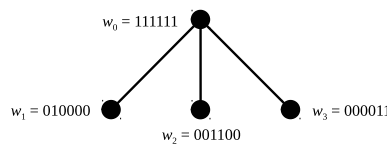
	$u$	$v$	$w$	$x$	$y$	$z$
$\widetilde{X}_0$	1	1	1	1	1	1
$\widetilde{X}_1$	0	1	0	0	0	0
$\widetilde{X}_2$	0	0	1	1	0	0
$\widetilde{X}_3$	0	0	0	0	1	1

and the equivalence relation  $\Theta$  on  $A$  is as follows:

$$\Theta = \{(0, 0), (1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3)\}.$$

Hence, all distinct codewords of the binary block-code  $V$  are as follows (see Figure 8):

$$w_0 = 111111, w_1 = 010000, w_2 = 001100, \text{ and } w_3 = 000011.$$



**Figure 8.**  $(V, \leq)$ .

From Figures 7 and 8, we conclude that  $(A, \leq)$  is isomorphic to  $(V, \leq)$  under the isomorphism sending  $a \mapsto w_a$ . In addition,  $V$  has the minimum distance 3. This means that can correct at most 1-error. For example, if  $w_3 = 000011$  is sent and  $000111$  is received, then  $000111$  will be decoded to  $w_3 = 000011$ . If  $w_3 = 000011$  is sent and  $010111$  is received, then  $010111$  will be decoded to  $w_1 = 010000$  using the minimum distance decoding rule.

#### 4. Conclusions

Codewords in a binary block-code generated by a UP-valued function are established and some interesting results are obtained. The main result is proved that every finite UP-algebra  $A$  which has the order less than or equal to the order of a finite set  $X$  determines a binary block-code  $V$  such that  $(A, \leq)$  is isomorphic to  $(V, \leq)$ . Many examples were provided to support the results.

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