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1. [Pixley] A class of Σ -algebras \mathbf{K} is said to be *arithmetical* if it is both congruence-permutable and congruence-distributive. Prove that for any variety \mathbf{V} the following are equivalent.

- (a) \mathbf{V} is arithmetical.
 (b) There is a $t(x, y, z) \in \text{Te}_\Sigma(x, y, z)$ such the following identities hold in \mathbf{V} .

$$t(x, y, x) \approx x, \quad t(x, x, y) \approx t(y, x, x) \approx y.$$

2. A Σ -algebra \mathbf{A} is *primal* if every operation on the universe A of \mathbf{A} is a term function, i.e., for every $n \in \omega$ and every $h: A^n \rightarrow A$, there is a Σ -term $t(x_0, \dots, x_{n-1})$ such that, for all $a_0, \dots, a_{n-1} \in A^n$, $h(a_0, \dots, a_{n-1}) = t^{\mathbf{A}}(a_0, \dots, a_{n-1})$.

- (a) Prove that the variety generated by a primal algebra is arithmetical.
 (b) Prove that, for any prime p , the prime field $\mathbf{Z}_p = \langle \mathbb{Z}_p, +, \cdot, -, 0, 1 \rangle$ is primal.

3. Assume $h: \mathbf{A} \rightarrow \mathbf{B}$ and $\alpha \in \text{Co}(\mathbf{A})$. Prove that $h(\alpha) \in \text{Co}(\mathbf{B})$ iff

$$\alpha ; \text{rker}(h) ; \alpha \subseteq \text{rker}(h) ; \alpha ; \text{rker}(h).$$

[Note: One of the two implications was proved in class. Prove the other one.]

4. Let \mathbf{A} be a Σ -algebra. Prove that the following are equivalent.

- (a) For every Σ -algebra \mathbf{B} , for every $h: \mathbf{A} \rightarrow \mathbf{B}$ and for every $\alpha \in \text{Co}(\mathbf{A})$, $h(\alpha) \in \text{Co}(\mathbf{B})$.
 (b) \mathbf{A} is congruence 3-permutable, i.e., for all $\alpha, \beta \in \text{Co}(\mathbf{A})$, $\alpha ; \beta ; \alpha = \beta ; \alpha ; \beta$.

5. Assume \mathbf{V} is a locally finite, congruence distributive variety, and that \mathbf{K} and \mathbf{L} are subvarieties of \mathbf{V} . Let $\mathbf{K} \vee \mathbf{L}$ be the join of \mathbf{K} and \mathbf{L} in the lattice of subvarieties of \mathbf{V} , i.e., $\mathbf{K} \vee \mathbf{L} = \mathbf{HSP}(\mathbf{K} \cup \mathbf{L})$. Prove that every finite, subdirectly irreducible member of $\mathbf{K} \vee \mathbf{L}$ is either in \mathbf{K} or in \mathbf{L} .