

UNIFORM STRUCTURES IN *BCI*-ALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT. In this note we discuss the uniformity in *BCI*-algebras using Zhang's congruence relation.

1. Introduction

K. Iséki ([4]) discussed the quasi-uniformity on *BCK*-algebras, and R. A. Alo and E. Y. Deeba ([1]) studied the uniformity in *BCK*-algebras, and Y. B. Jun and E. H. Roh ([6]) discussed the uniformity in *BCK*-algebras by using the concept of dual ideals. Y. B. Jun and H. S. Kim ([5]) discussed the uniformity in positive implicative algebras. In this note we discuss the uniformity in *BCI*-algebras using Zhang's congruence relation.

2. Preliminaries

By a *BCI*-algebra we mean an algebra $(X, *, 0)$ of type $(2, 0)$ satisfying the following axioms for all $x, y, z \in X$:

- (i) $((x * y) * (x * z)) * (z * y) = 0$,
- (ii) $(x * (x * y)) * y = 0$,
- (iii) $x * x = 0$,
- (iv) $x * y = 0$ and $y * x = 0$ imply $x = y$.

We can define a partial ordering \leq on X by $x \leq y$ if and only if $x * y = 0$. In any *BCI*-algebra X , the following hold:

- (1) $x * 0 = x$,
- (2) $(x * y) * z = (x * z) * y$,

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- (3) $x \leq y$ imply $x * z \leq y * z$ and $z * y \leq z * x$,
 (4) $(x * z) * (y * z) \leq x * y$

for any $x, y, z \in X$.

In what follows X and Y would mean *BCI*-algebras unless otherwise specified.

An ideal of X is a subset A of X containing 0 such that if $x * y \in A$ and $y \in A$ then $x \in A$. It is well known that if A is an ideal of X and $y \in A$, $x \leq y$, then $x \in A$. A map $f : X \rightarrow Y$ of *BCI*-algebras is called a *homomorphism* if $f(x * y) = f(x) * f(y)$ for all $x, y \in X$. For any elements x and y in X , let us write $x * y^n$ for $(\cdots ((x * y) * y) * \cdots) * y$ where y occurs n times.

PROPOSITION 2.1 ([3]). For any $x, y \in X$ and for any positive integer n , we have

$$0 * (x * y)^n = (0 * x^n) * (0 * y^n).$$

Let A be an ideal of X . For every natural number n , we define a relation \sim on X as follows:

$$x \sim_A y \text{ if and only if } 0 * (x * y)^n \in A \text{ and } 0 * (y * x)^n \in A.$$

Then \sim_A is an equivalence relation on X (see [9, Theorem 1]).

THEOREM 2.2 ([2]). If $x \sim_A u$ and $y \sim_A v$, then $x * y \sim_A u * v$.

THEOREM 2.3 ([7]). Let X be a *BCK/BCI*-algebra and let A be a non-empty subset of X . Then the ideal $(A]$ generated by the set A is $\{x \in X \mid (\cdots ((x * a_1) * a_2) * \cdots) * a_n = 0 \text{ for some } a_1, \cdots, a_n \in A\}$.

3. Uniformity in *BCI*-algebras

Let X be a non-empty set and let U and V be any subsets of $X \times X$. Define

$$U \circ V = \{(x, y) \in X \times X \mid \text{for some } z \in X, (x, z) \in U \text{ and } (z, y) \in V\},$$

$$U^{-1} = \{(x, y) \in X \times X \mid (y, x) \in U\},$$

$$\Delta = \{(x, x) \in X \times X \mid x \in X\}.$$

DEFINITION 3.1 ([8]). By a *uniformity* on X we shall mean a non-empty collection \mathcal{K} of subsets of $X \times X$ which satisfies the following conditions:

- (U₁) $\Delta \subseteq U$ for any $U \in \mathcal{K}$,
- (U₂) if $U \in \mathcal{K}$, then $U^{-1} \in \mathcal{K}$,
- (U₃) if $U \in \mathcal{K}$, then there exists a $V \in \mathcal{K}$ such that $V \circ V \subseteq U$,
- (U₄) if $U, V \in \mathcal{K}$, then $U \cap V \in \mathcal{K}$,
- (U₅) if $U \in \mathcal{K}$ and $U \subseteq V \subseteq A \times A$, then $V \in \mathcal{K}$.

The pair (X, \mathcal{K}) is called a *uniform structure*.

THEOREM 3.2. Let X be a BCI-algebra and let A be an ideal of X . If we define $U_A := \{(x, y) \in X \times X \mid 0*(x*y)^n \in A \text{ and } 0*(y*x)^n \in A \text{ for any positive integer } n\}$ and let

$$\mathcal{K}^* = \{U_A \mid A \text{ is an ideal of } X\}.$$

Then \mathcal{K}^* satisfies the conditions (U₁) \sim (U₄).

PROOF. (U₁). If $(x, x) \in A$, then $(x, x) \in U_A$ since $0*(x*x)^n = 0 \in A$ for any positive integer n . Hence $A \subseteq U_A$ for any $U_A \in \mathcal{K}^*$.

(U₂). For any $U_A \in \mathcal{K}^*$,

$$\begin{aligned} (x, y) \in U_A &\iff 0*(x*y)^n \in A \text{ and } 0*(y*x)^n \in A \\ &\text{for any positive integer } n \\ &\iff y \sim_A x \\ &\iff (y, x) \in U_A \\ &\iff (x, y) \in U_A^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $U_A^{-1} = U_A \in \mathcal{K}^*$.

(U₃). For any $U_A \in \mathcal{K}^*$, let $\mathcal{B} := \{A_\alpha \mid A_\alpha : \text{ an ideal of } X \text{ such that } A_\alpha \subseteq A\}$. Then \mathcal{B} is non-empty, since $A \in \mathcal{B}$. If we define J the ideal of X generated by the set $\cup \mathcal{B}$ i.e., $J = (\cup \mathcal{B})$, then $U_J \in \mathcal{K}^*$. We claim that $U_J \circ U_J \subseteq U_A$. If $(x, y) \in U_J \circ U_J$ then there exists $z \in X$ such that $(x, z), (z, y) \in U_J$. This means that $x \sim_J z$ and $z \sim_J y$. Since \sim_J is an equivalence relation, we have $x \sim_J y$, i.e., $0*(x*y)^n \in J$ and $0*(y*x)^n \in J$ for any positive integer n . Since $\cup \mathcal{B} \subseteq A, J \subseteq A$. Hence $0*(x*y)^n, 0*(y*x)^n \in A$ for any positive integer n , i.e., $(x, y) \in U_A$.

(U_4). For any U_I and U_J in \mathcal{K}^* , we claim that $U_I \cap U_J = U_{I \cap J}$.

$$\begin{aligned} (x, y) \in U_I \cap U_J &\iff (x, y) \in U_I, (x, y) \in U_J \\ &\iff 0 * (x * y)^n, 0 * (y * x)^n \in I \cap J \\ &\quad \text{for any positive integer } n \\ &\iff x \sim_{I \cap J} y \\ &\iff (x, y) \in U_{I \cap J}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $I \cap J$ is an ideal of X , $U_I \cap U_J = U_{I \cap J} \in \mathcal{K}^*$. This proves the theorem. \square

THEOREM 3.3. *Let $\mathcal{K} := \{U \subseteq X \times X \mid U_A \subseteq U \text{ for some } U_A \in \mathcal{K}^*\}$. Then \mathcal{K} satisfies a uniformity on X and hence the pair (X, \mathcal{K}) is a uniform structure.*

PROOF. By applying Theorem 3.2 we can show that \mathcal{K} satisfies the conditions (U_1) \sim (U_4). Let $U \in \mathcal{K}$ and $U \subseteq V \subseteq X \times X$. Then there exists a $U_A \subseteq U \subseteq V$, which means that $V \in \mathcal{K}$. This proves the theorem. \square

Given a $x \in A$ and $U \in \mathcal{K}$, we define

$$U[x] := \{y \in X \mid (x, y) \in U\}.$$

THEOREM 3.4. *The collection $\mathcal{U}_x := \{U[x] \mid U \in \mathcal{K}\}$, $x \in X$, forms a neighborhood base at x , making X a topological space.*

PROOF. Note that $x \in U[x]$ for each $x \in X$. Since $U_1[x] \cap U_2[x] = (U_1 \cap U_2)[x]$, the intersection of neighborhoods is also a neighborhood. Finally, if $U[x] \in \mathcal{U}_x$ then by (U_3) there exists a $V \in \mathcal{K}$ such that $V \circ V \subseteq U$. Hence for any $y \in V[x]$, $V[y] \subseteq U[x]$, proving the theorem. \square

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