

## ANTI FUZZY IDEALS IN WEAK BCC-ALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT. We characterize the main types of anti fuzzy ideals in weak BCC-algebras.

### 1. Introduction

BCC-algebras (called also  $BIK^+$ -algebras) are an algebraic model of  $BIK^+$ -logic, i.e., implicational logic based on modus ponens and some axioms scheme containing the combinators  $B$ ,  $I$ , and  $K$ . Weak BCC-algebras (called also BZ-algebras) have the same partial order as BCC-algebras and BCK-algebras but do not have a minimal element. Many mathematicians studied various types of algebras such as BCI-algebras, B-algebras, implication algebras, G-algebras, Hilbert algebras and do on. All these algebras have one distinguished element, satisfy some common identities and have a similar partial order. In fact, all these algebras are a generalization or a special case of weak BCC-algebras. So, results obtained for weak BCC-algebras are, in some sense, fundamental for these algebras, especially for BCC/BCH/BCI/BCK-algebras.

A very important role in the theory of such algebras plays ideals. In BCK-algebras ideals are induced by partial order or by homomorphisms. All ideals determine congruences. In BCC-algebras there are congruences which are not determined by ideals [3]. Moreover, in BCC-algebras relations determined by ideals (in the same way as in BCK-algebras) are not congruences, in general. So, in BCC-algebras the new concept of ideals should be introduced. Similarly in weak BCC-algebras.

### 2. Preliminaries

In this section, we give basic definitions and facts on weak BCC-algebras.

**Definition 1.** A *weak BCC-algebra*  $X$  is an abstract algebra  $(X, *, 0)$  of type  $(2, 0)$  satisfying the following axioms

- (i)  $((x * y) * (z * y)) * (x * z) = 0$ ,
- (ii)  $x * x = 0$ ,

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- (iii)  $x * 0 = x$ ,  
 (iv)  $x * y = y * x = 0 \longrightarrow x = y$ .

Weak BCC-algebras also are called *BZ-algebras* (see [4] or [8]).

A weak BCC-algebra satisfying the identity

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

is called a *BCC-algebra*. A BCC-algebra with the condition

$$(vi) \quad (x * (x * y)) * y = 0$$

is called a *BCK-algebra*.

An algebra  $(X, *, 0)$  of type  $(2, 0)$  satisfying the axioms (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) and (vi) is called a *BCI-algebra*.

In all these algebras one can define a natural partial order  $\leq$  putting

$$x \leq y \iff x * y = 0.$$

In all BCC/BCK-algebras we have  $0 \leq x$  for every  $x \in X$ . Moreover, from (i) it follows that in any (weak) BCC-algebra

$$x \leq y \longrightarrow z * y \leq z * x \quad \text{and} \quad x * z \leq y * z, \quad (1)$$

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

A non-empty subset  $A$  of a weak BCC-algebra is an *ideal* if  $(I_1) 0 \in A$ ,  $(I_2) y, x * y \in A$  imply  $x \in A$ . An ideal  $A$  such that  $y \in A$  and  $(x * y) * z \in A$  imply  $x * z \in A$  is called a *BCC-ideal*. If  $y \in A$  and  $x \leq y$  then also  $x \in A$ . In BCK-algebras any ideal is a BCC-ideal, but in (weak) BCC-algebras there are ideals which are not BCC-ideals (see [3]). By a *p-ideal* is mean an ideal  $A$  in which  $y \in A$  and  $(x * z) * (y * z) \in A$  imply  $x \in A$ . More informations on various types of ideals and BCC-ideals of weak BCC-algebras one can find in [2], [4] and [8].

We use the following abbreviated notation: the expression  $(\dots((x * y) * y) * \dots) * y$ , where  $y$  occurs  $n$  times is written as  $x * y^n$ . Similarly,  $x^n * y$  denotes the expression  $(x * (\dots * (x * (x * y)) \dots))$ , where  $x$  occurs  $n$  times. Also,  $a \vee b = \max\{a, b\}$ .

By a *fuzzy set* on  $X$  we mean a function  $\mu : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ . For any fuzzy set  $\mu$  defined on  $X$  and any  $t \in [0, 1]$  we consider two subsets:

$$\mu_t = \{x \in X : \mu(x) \leq t\} \quad \text{and} \quad \mu^t = \{x \in X : \mu(x) \geq t\}.$$

The first is called *lower*, the second *upper level set*.

**Definition 2.** A fuzzy set  $\mu$  defined on a weak BCC-algebra  $X$  is called an *anti fuzzy subalgebra* of  $X$  if  $\mu(x * y) \leq \mu(x) \vee \mu(y)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ , or an *anti fuzzy ideal* of  $X$ , if

- (1)  $\mu(0) \leq \mu(x)$ ,  
 (2)  $\mu(x) \leq \mu(x * y) \vee \mu(y) \quad \forall x, y \in X$ .

Note that the condition  $\mu(0) \leq \mu(x)$  is satisfied by any anti fuzzy subalgebra. Indeed,  $\mu(0) = \mu(x * x) \leq \mu(x) \vee \mu(x) = \mu(x)$  for every  $x \in X$ .

The study of anti fuzzy subalgebras and ideals (in BCK-algebras) was initiated by Hong and Jun [5]. Note that in the literature, anti fuzzy subalgebras (ideals) are also called *doubt fuzzy subalgebras (ideals)* (cf. for example [6] or [7]).

**Proposition 2.1.** *Let  $\mu$  be an anti fuzzy ideal of a weak BCC-algebra  $X$ . Then*

- (1)  $x \leq y \longrightarrow \mu(x) \leq \mu(y)$ ,
- (2)  $\mu(x * y) \leq \mu(x * z) \vee \mu(z * y)$ ,
- (3)  $\mu(x * y) = \mu(0) \longrightarrow \mu(x) \leq \mu(y)$ ,
- (4)  $\mu(x * x^n) \leq \mu(x)$ ,
- (5)  $\mu(x^n * x) = \mu(x)$  if  $n$  is even,
- (6)  $\mu(x^n * x) \leq \mu(x)$  if  $n$  is odd,
- (7)  $\mu(0 * (0 * x)) \leq \mu(x)$

for every  $x, y, z \in X$  and all natural  $n$ .

*Proof.* (1) If  $x \leq y$  then  $x * y = 0$ , hence  $\mu(x) \leq \mu(x * y) \vee \mu(y) = \mu(0) \vee \mu(y) = \mu(y)$ .

(2) From the definition of a weak BCC-algebra we obtain  $(x * y) * (z * y) \leq x * z$ , which, by (1), implies  $\mu((x * y) * (z * y)) \leq \mu(x * z)$ . Since  $\mu$  is an anti fuzzy ideal, the last gives  $\mu(x * y) \leq \mu((x * y) * (z * y)) \vee \mu(z * y) \leq \mu(x * z) \vee \mu(z * y)$ .

(3) Let  $\mu(x * y) = \mu(0)$ . Then  $\mu(x) \leq \mu(x * y) \vee \mu(y) = \mu(0) \vee \mu(y) = \mu(y)$ .  
 (4), (5), (6) By induction. (8) is obvious.  $\square$

### 3. Anti fuzzy p-ideals

**Definition 3.** A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of a weak BCC-algebra  $X$  is called an *anti fuzzy p-ideal* of  $X$  if

- (1)  $\mu(0) \leq \mu(x)$ ,
- (2)  $\mu(x) \leq \mu((x * z) * (y * z)) \vee \mu(y)$

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

*Example 1.* Consider on the set  $X = \{0, a, b, c\}$  the binary operation defined by the following table:

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

Then  $(X, *, 0)$  is a weak BCC-algebras (cf. [1]). Putting  $\mu(0) = t_0$ ,  $\mu(a) = t_1$ ,  $\mu(b) = \mu(c) = t_2$ , where  $0 \leq t_0 < t_1 < t_2 \leq 1$ , we obtain a fuzzy set  $\mu$  defined on  $X$ . It is not difficult to see that  $\mu$  is an anti fuzzy p-ideal of  $X$ .

**Proposition 3.1.** *If  $\mu$  is an anti fuzzy p-ideal of  $X$  then  $\mu(x) \leq \mu(0 * (0 * x))$  for every  $x \in X$ .*

*Proof.* Indeed,  $\mu(x) \leq \mu((x * x) * (0 * x)) \vee \mu(0) = \mu(0 * (0 * x)) \vee \mu(0) = \mu(0 * (0 * x))$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.2.** *Every anti fuzzy  $p$ -ideal is an anti fuzzy ideal.*

*Proof.* If  $\mu$  is an anti fuzzy  $p$ -ideal of  $X$ , then for any  $x, y \in X$  we have  $\mu(x) \leq \mu((x*0)*(y*0)) \vee \mu(y) = \mu((x*y) \vee \mu(y))$ , which means that  $\mu$  is an anti fuzzy ideal.  $\square$

The following example shows that the converse is not true.

*Example 2.* Consider on the set  $X = \{0, a, b, c, d\}$  with the operation:

$*$	0	a	b	c	d
0	0	0	b	b	b
a	a	0	b	b	b
b	b	b	0	0	0
c	c	b	a	0	a
d	d	b	a	a	0

Then  $(X, *, 0)$  is a weak BCC-algebra. Consider the fuzzy set  $\mu$  such that  $\mu(0) = t_0$ ,  $\mu(a) = t_1$ ,  $\mu(b) = \mu(c) = \mu(d) = t_2$ , where  $0 \leq t_0 < t_1 < t_2 \leq 1$ . By routine calculation we can verify that  $\mu$  is an anti fuzzy ideal. It is not an anti fuzzy  $p$ -ideal because the inequality  $t_1 = \mu(a) \leq \mu((a*b)*(0*b)) \vee \mu(0) = \mu(b*b) \vee \mu(0) = \mu(0) \vee \mu(0) = \mu(0) = t_0$  is not true.

**Proposition 3.3.** *An anti fuzzy ideal  $\mu$  of a weak BCC-algebra  $X$  is its anti fuzzy  $p$ -ideal if and only if it satisfies the inequality*

$$\mu(x*y) \leq \mu((x*z)*(y*z)).$$

*Proof.* If  $\mu$  is an anti fuzzy  $p$ -ideal of  $X$ , then, according to the definition on an anti fuzzy  $p$ -ideal and the axiom (i), we obtain

$$\mu((x*z)*(y*z)) \geq \mu(((x*z)*(y*z))*(x*y)) \vee \mu(x*y) = \mu(0) \vee \mu(x*y) = \mu(x*y),$$

i.e.,  $\mu(x*y) \leq \mu((x*z)*(y*z))$ .

Assume now that  $\mu(x*y) \leq \mu((x*z)*(y*z))$  for some anti fuzzy ideal of  $X$ . Then also  $\mu(x*y) \vee \mu(y) \leq \mu((x*z)*(y*z)) \vee \mu(y)$ . Since  $\mu(x) \leq \mu(x*y) \vee \mu(y)$ , the last implies  $\mu(x) \leq \mu((x*z)*(y*z)) \vee \mu(y)$ . This means that  $\mu$  is an anti fuzzy  $p$ -ideal of  $X$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.4.** *Let  $\mu$  be an anti fuzzy  $p$ -ideal (ideal) of a weak BCC-algebra  $X$ . Then the set  $A = \{x \in X : \mu(x) = \mu(0)\}$  is a  $p$ -ideal (ideal) of  $X$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\mu$  is an anti fuzzy  $p$ -ideal of  $X$ . Obviously  $0 \in A$ . Let also  $(x*z)*(y*z), y \in A$  for some  $x, y, z \in X$ . Then  $\mu(x) \leq \mu((x*z)*(y*z)) \vee \mu(y) = \mu(0) \vee \mu(0) = \mu(0)$ . Hence  $\mu(x) = \mu(0)$ . Thus  $x \in A$ , i.e.,  $A$  is a  $p$ -ideal of  $X$ .

For ideals the proof is analogous.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.5.** *A fuzzy set  $\mu$  of a weak BCC-algebra  $X$  is its anti fuzzy ideal ( $p$ -ideal) if and only if each non-empty lower level set  $\mu_t$  is an ideal ( $p$ -ideal) of  $X$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\mu$  be an anti fuzzy ideal of  $X$ . Assume that some lower level set  $\mu_t$  is non-empty. If  $x \in \mu_t$ , then also  $0 \in \mu_t$  because, according to the definition of  $\mu$ ,  $\mu(0) \leq \mu(x) \leq t$ . For  $x * y, y \in \mu_t$  we have  $\mu(x * y) \leq t$  and  $\mu(y) \leq t$ . Since  $\mu$  is an anti fuzzy ideal of  $X$ ,  $\mu(x) \leq \mu(x * y) \vee \mu(y) \leq t$ . Hence  $x \in \mu_t$ . So,  $\mu_t$  is an ideal of  $X$ .

To prove the converse suppose that  $\mu(0) > \mu(x_0)$  for some  $x_0 \in X$ . Then for  $t_0 = \frac{1}{2}(\mu(0) + \mu(x_0))$  we have  $0 \leq \mu(x_0) < t_0 < \mu(0)$ . So,  $x_0 \in \mu_{t_0}$ , i.e.,  $\mu_{t_0}$  is non-empty. Since it is an ideal,  $0 \in \mu_{t_0}$  which implies  $\mu(0) < t_0$ . This is a contradiction. Therefore  $\mu(0) \leq \mu(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ . Similarly,  $\mu(x_0) > \mu(x_0 * y_0) \vee \mu(y_0)$  for some  $x_0, y_0 \in X$  means that for  $t_0 = \frac{1}{2}(\mu(x_0) + (\mu(x_0 * y_0) \vee \mu(y_0)))$  we have  $0 \leq \mu(x_0 * y_0) \vee \mu(y_0) < t_0 < \mu(x_0)$  which shows that  $\mu(x_0 * y_0) < t_0$  and  $\mu(y_0) < t_0$ , that is  $(x_0 * y_0), y_0 \in \mu_{t_0}$ . This implies  $x_0 \in \mu_{t_0}$ , i.e.,  $\mu(x_0) \leq t_0$  which is a contradiction. So,  $\mu(x) \leq \mu(x * y) \vee \mu(y)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . Hence  $\mu$  is an anti fuzzy ideal of  $X$ .

For  $p$ -ideals the proof is analogous.  $\square$

**Definition 4.** Let  $f$  be a mapping defined on a set  $X$ . If  $\mu$  is a fuzzy subset on  $X$ , then the fuzzy subset  $\nu$  on  $f(X)$  defined by

$$\nu(y) = \inf_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} \mu(x) \quad \forall y \in f(X)$$

is called the *image of  $\mu$  under  $f$* . The fuzzy subset  $\mu = \nu \circ f$  is called the *preimage of  $\nu$  under  $f$* .

**Theorem 3.6.** *If  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is a homomorphism of a weak BCC-algebra  $X$  onto a weak BCC-algebra  $Y$ , then the preimage of an anti fuzzy  $p$ -ideal of  $Y$  is an anti fuzzy  $p$ -ideal of  $X$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a homomorphism of a weak BCC-algebra  $X$  onto  $Y$  and let  $\mu$  be the preimage of an anti fuzzy  $p$ -ideal  $\nu$  under  $f$ . Then  $\mu(x) = \nu(f(x))$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $f(0) = 0'$  is a zero of  $Y$ . Since  $\nu$  is an anti fuzzy  $p$ -ideal of  $Y$  we have  $\mu(0) = \nu(f(0)) = \nu(0') \leq \nu(f(x)) = \mu(x)$  for every  $x \in X$ . By the assumption  $f$  is onto  $Y$  so for each  $y', z' \in Y$  there exist  $y, z \in X$  such that  $y' = f(y)$ ,  $z' = f(z)$ . Thus  $\mu(x) = \nu(f(x)) \leq \nu((f(x) * z') * (y' * z')) \vee \nu(y') = \nu((f(x) * f(z)) * (f(y) * f(z))) \vee \nu(f(y)) = \nu(f((x * z) * (y * z))) \vee \nu(f(y)) = \mu((x * z) * (y * z)) \vee \mu(y)$ , which proves that  $\mu$  is an anti fuzzy  $p$ -ideal of  $X$ .  $\square$

*Remark 1.* Results proved in this section are also valid for anti fuzzy BCC-ideals, i.e., fuzzy sets  $\mu$  such that  $\mu(0) \leq \mu(x)$  and  $\mu(x * z) \leq \mu((x * y) * z) \vee \mu(y)$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$ . The proofs are very similar.

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