

## PSEUDO $P$ -CLOSURE WITH RESPECT TO IDEALS IN PSEUDO BCI-ALGEBRAS<sup>†</sup>

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, for any non-empty subsets  $A, I$  of a pseudo  $BCI$ -algebra  $X$ , we introduce the concept of pseudo  $p$ -closure of  $A$  with respect to  $I$ , denoted by  $A_I^{pc}$ , and investigate some related properties. Applying this concept, we state a necessary and sufficient condition for a pseudo  $BCI$ -algebra 1) to be a  $p$ -semisimple pseudo  $BCI$ -algebra; 2) to be a pseudo  $BCK$ -algebra. Moreover, we show that  $A_{\{0\}}^{pc}$  is the least positive pseudo ideal of  $X$  containing  $A$ , and characterize it by the union of some branches. We also show that the set of all pseudo ideals of  $X$  which  $A_I^{pc} = A$ , is a complete lattice. Finally, we prove that this notion can be used to define a closure operation.

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### 1. Introduction

The notion of  $BCI$ -algebras has been introduced by K. Iséki in 1966 (see [8]).  $BCI$ -algebras are algebraic formulation of the  $BCI$ -system in combinatory logic which has application in the language of functional programming. The name of  $BCI$ -algebras originates from the combinatorics  $B, C, I$  in combinatory logic.

The notion of pseudo- $BCI$ -algebras has been introduced by W. A. Dudek and Y. B. Jun in [2] as an extension of  $BCI$ -algebras and it was investigated by several authors in [3], [10] and [12]. These algebras have connections with pseudo  $BCK$ -algebras, pseudo  $BL$ -algebras and pseudo  $MV$ -algebras introduced by G. Georgescu and A. Iorgulescu in [4], [5] and [6], respectively. More about those algebras the reader can find in [7].

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Ideals of algebras are important algebraic notion and for pseudo BCI-algebras, and they have been extensively investigated by many authors. Y. B. Jun et al in [10] introduced the concepts of pseudo-atoms, pseudo ideals and pseudo BCI-homomorphisms in pseudo BCI-algebras. They displayed characterizations of a pseudo ideal, and provided conditions for a subset to be a pseudo ideal. They also introduced the notion of a  $\circ$ -medial pseudo BCI-algebra, and gave its characterization.

The aim of this paper is to introduce and study the concept of pseudo  $p$ -closure with respect to any non-empty subset of a pseudo BCI-algebra. This paper is organized as follow: in section 2, we recall the notions of BCI-algebras and pseudo BCI-algebras; and some properties of pseudo BCI-algebras. In section 3, we introduce the concept of  $p$ -closure with respect to a non-empty subset in a pseudo BCI-algebra and study some related properties. Also, using the mentioned concept, we give a necessary and sufficient condition for a pseudo BCI-algebra to be a  $p$ -semisimple pseudo BCI-algebra. We show that  $A_{\{0\}}^{pc}$  is the least positive ideal of  $X$  containing  $A$ . We prove that the set of all ideals  $A$  of  $X$  which  $I \subseteq A$  and  $A_I^{pc} = A$ , is a complete lattice. For the first time, Moore in [15] introduced a closure operation on a set. Using the concept of  $p$ -closure, we introduce a closure operation on the set of all ideals of  $X$ . Finally, we investigate the quotient algebra of  $X$ , induced by  $A_I^{pc}$ , and obtain some related results.

## 2. Preliminary

A BCK/BCI-algebra is an important class of logical algebras introduced by K. Iséki and was extensively investigated by several researchers.

An algebra  $(X, *, 0)$  of type  $(2,0)$  is called a *BCI*-algebra if it satisfies the following conditions:

- $(\forall x, y, z \in X) (((x * y) * (x * z)) * (z * y) = 0)$ ,
- $(\forall x \in X) (x * 0 = x)$ ,
- $(\forall x, y \in X) (x * y = 0 \text{ and } y * x = 0 \Rightarrow x = y)$ .

If a *BCI*-algebra  $X$  satisfies the following identity:

- $(\forall x \in X) (0 * x = 0)$ ,

then we say that  $X$  is a *BCK*-algebra. Any *BCI*-algebra  $X$  satisfies the following conditions: [16]

- $(a_1) (\forall x \in X) (x * x = 0)$ ,
- $(a_2) (\forall x, y, z \in X) ((x * y) * z = (x * z) * y)$ ,
- $(a_3) (\forall x, y, z \in X) (x \leq y \Rightarrow x * z \leq y * z, z * y \leq z * x)$ ,
- $(a_4) (\forall x, y \in X) (x * (x * (x * y)) = x * y)$ ,
- $(a_5) (\forall x, y \in X) (0 * (x * y) = (0 * x) * (0 * y))$ ,

where  $x \leq y$  if and only if  $x * y = 0$ .

A non-empty subset  $A$  of a *BCI*-algebra  $X$  is called a *BCI*-ideal of  $X$  if it satisfies:

- $0 \in A$ ,

- $(\forall x, y \in X) y * x \in A, x \in A \Rightarrow y \in A.$

**Definition 2.1.** A pseudo  $BCI$ -algebra is a structure  $\mathfrak{X} = (X, \preceq, *, \circ, 0)$ , where “ $\preceq$ ” is a binary on a set  $X$ , “ $*$ ”, and “ $\circ$ ” are binary operations on  $X$  and “ $0$ ” is an element of  $X$ , verifying the axioms: for all  $x, y, z \in X$ ,

- (b<sub>1</sub>)  $(x * y) \circ (x * z) \preceq z * y, (x \circ y) * (x \circ z) \preceq z \circ y,$
- (b<sub>2</sub>)  $x * (x \circ y) \preceq y, x \circ (x * y) \preceq y,$
- (b<sub>3</sub>)  $x \preceq x,$
- (b<sub>4</sub>)  $x \preceq y, y \preceq x \implies x = y,$
- (b<sub>5</sub>)  $x \preceq y \iff x * y = 0 \iff x \circ y = 0.$

Note that every pseudo  $BCI$ -algebra satisfying  $x * y = x \circ y$  for all  $x, y \in X$  is a  $BCI$ -algebra. Every pseudo  $BCK$ -algebra is a pseudo  $BCI$ -algebra.

**Proposition 2.2.** [4] *In a pseudo  $BCI$ -algebra  $\mathfrak{X}$  the following holds:*

- (p<sub>1</sub>)  $x \preceq 0 \Rightarrow x = 0.$
- (p<sub>2</sub>)  $x \preceq y \Rightarrow z * y \preceq z * x, z \circ y \preceq z \circ x.$
- (p<sub>3</sub>)  $x \preceq y, y \preceq z \Rightarrow x \preceq z.$
- (p<sub>4</sub>)  $(x * y) \circ z = (x \circ z) * y.$
- (p<sub>5</sub>)  $x * y \preceq z \iff x \circ z \preceq y.$
- (p<sub>6</sub>)  $(x * y) * (z * y) \preceq x * z, (x \circ y) \circ (z \circ y) \preceq x \circ z.$
- (p<sub>7</sub>)  $x \preceq y \Rightarrow x * z \preceq y * z, x \circ z \preceq y \circ z.$
- (p<sub>8</sub>)  $x * 0 = x = x \circ 0.$
- (p<sub>9</sub>)  $x * (x \circ (x * y)) = x * y$  and  $x \circ (x * (x \circ y)) = x \circ y.$
- (p<sub>10</sub>)  $0 * (x \circ y) \preceq y \circ x.$
- (p<sub>11</sub>)  $0 \circ (x * y) \preceq y * x.$
- (p<sub>12</sub>)  $0 * (x * y) = (0 \circ x) \circ (0 * y).$
- (p<sub>13</sub>)  $0 \circ (x \circ y) = (0 * x) * (0 \circ y).$
- (p<sub>14</sub>)  $0 * x = 0 \circ x.$

**Example 2.3.** [10] Let  $X = [0, \infty)$  and  $\preceq$  be the usual order on  $X$ . Define binary operation  $*$  and  $\circ$  on  $X$  by

$$x * y = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \preceq y \\ \frac{2x}{\pi} \arctan(\ln(\frac{x}{y})) & \text{if } y \prec x, \end{cases}$$

$$x \circ y = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \preceq y \\ xe^{-\tan(\frac{\pi y}{2x})} & \text{if } y \prec x, \end{cases}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Then  $\mathfrak{X} = (X, \preceq, *, \circ, 0)$  is a pseudo  $BCK$ -algebra, and hence it is a pseudo  $BCI$ -algebra.

By a *subalgebra* of a pseudo  $BCI$ -algebra  $\mathfrak{X}$ , we mean a non-empty subset  $S$  of  $\mathfrak{X}$  which satisfies

$$x * y \in S \text{ and } x \circ y \in S,$$

for all  $x, y \in S$ .

A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is called a pseudo ideal of  $\mathfrak{X}$  if it satisfies for all  $x, y \in X$ :

- $0 \in A$ ,
- if  $x * y, x \circ y \in A$  and  $y \in A$ , then  $x \in A$ .

A pseudo ideal  $A$  of a pseudo BCI-algebra  $\mathfrak{X}$  is called closed if  $A$  is a subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{X}$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** *An ideal  $A$  of a pseudo BCI-algebra  $\mathfrak{X}$  is closed if and only if for any  $x \in A$ ,  $0 * x = 0 \circ x \in A$ .*

**Proposition 2.5.** [10] *For any pseudo BCI-algebra  $\mathfrak{X}$  the set*

$$K(X) = \{x \in X \mid 0 \preceq x\}$$

*is a subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{X}$ , and so it is a pseudo BCK-algebra. Any subset or element of  $K(X)$  is called positive.*

**Definition 2.6.** [10] A pseudo BCI-algebra  $\mathfrak{X}$  is said to be  $\circ$ -medial if it satisfies the following identity:

$$(x * y) \circ (z * u) = (x * z) \circ (y * u)$$

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

**Proposition 2.7.** [10] *Every  $\circ$ -medial pseudo BCI-algebra  $\mathfrak{X}$  satisfies the following identities:*

- (i)  $x * y = 0 \circ (y * x)$ .
- (ii)  $0 \circ (0 * x) = x$ .
- (iii)  $x \circ (x * y) = y$ .

An element  $a$  of a pseudo BCI-algebra  $\mathfrak{X}$  is called a pseudo-atom of  $\mathfrak{X}$  if for every  $x \in X$  the following holds:

$$x \preceq a \Rightarrow x = a.$$

We will denote by  $M(X)$  the set of all atoms of  $\mathfrak{X}$ . Obviously,

$$0 \in M(X) \cap K(X).$$

Notice that  $M(X) \cap K(X) = \{0\}$  and for every  $x \in X$ ,  $0 * x \in M(X)$ .

A pseudo BCI-algebra  $\mathfrak{X}$  is said to be  $p$ -semisimple if it satisfies for all  $x \in X$ .

$$0 \preceq x \Rightarrow x = 0.$$

Note that if  $\mathfrak{X}$  is a  $p$ -semisimple pseudo BCI-algebra, then  $K(X) = 0$ .

Let  $\mathfrak{X}$  be a pseudo BCI-algebra. For  $a \in M(X)$ , define

$$V(a) = \{x \in X \mid a \preceq x\}.$$

$V(a)$  is called a branch of  $\mathfrak{X}$ . Notice also that  $V(0) = K(X)$  and it is a pseudo BCK-part of  $\mathfrak{X}$ .

**Proposition 2.8.** [3] *Let  $\mathfrak{X}$  be a pseudo BCI-algebra. Then*

$$X = \bigcup_{a \in M(X)} V(a).$$

A mapping  $f : E \rightarrow E$  is said to be a closure operation on an ordered set  $(E, \leq)$  if it satisfies the following properties:

- (i)  $x \leq f(x)$  (extensivity),
- (ii)  $x \leq y \Rightarrow f(x) \leq f(y)$ , (isotony),
- (iii)  $f(f(x)) = f(x)$  (idempotence).

**Theorem 2.9.** [1] *Let  $L$  be a lattice and let  $f : L \rightarrow L$  be a closure. Then  $Imf$  is a lattice in which the lattice operations are given by*

$$inf\{a, b\} = a \wedge b, \quad sup\{a, b\} = f(a \vee b).$$

### 3. pseudo $p$ -closure with respect to ideals

In this section, we introduce the concept of  $p$ -closure of  $A$  with respect to  $I$ , for any non-empty subsets  $A$  and  $I$  of  $\mathfrak{X}$  and establish some useful related properties. In what follows, let  $\mathfrak{X}$  denote a pseudo  $BCI$ -algebra unless otherwise specified.

**Definition 3.1.** For any non-empty subsets  $I$  and  $A$  of  $\mathfrak{X}$ , we define the  $p$ -closure of  $A$  with respect to  $I$  by

$$A_I^{pc} = \{x \in X \mid a * x \in I, a \circ x \in I \text{ for some } a \in A\}.$$

Note that in special case, when  $I = A$ , we write  $A_I^{pc} = A^{pc}$ .

The following lemma is an immediate consequence from Definition 3.1.

**Lemma 3.2.** *For any subsets  $I, J, A, B$  of  $\mathfrak{X}$ , the following hold:*

- (i)  $I \cap A \neq \emptyset$  if and only if  $0 \in A_I^{pc}$ ,
- (ii) if  $0 \in I$ , then  $A \subseteq A_I^{pc}$ .
- (iii) if  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $A_I^{pc} \subseteq B_I^{pc}$ ,
- (iv) if  $I \subseteq J$ , then  $A_I^{pc} \subseteq A_J^{pc}$ .

In the following theorem, we introduce some subsets of  $\mathfrak{X}$  whose  $p$ -closure with respect to a subset of  $X$ , is equal to the pseudo  $BCK$ -part of  $\mathfrak{X}$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $I, A$  be non-empty subsets of  $\mathfrak{X}$ . Then the following hold:*

- (i) if  $I$  is positive containing  $0$ , then  $(K(X))_I^{pc} = K(X)$ ,
- (ii) if  $A$  is positive and  $0 \in I \subseteq A$ , then  $A_I^{pc} = K(X)$ ,
- (iii) for any pseudo-atom element  $a$  of  $X$ ,  $\{V(a)\}_{\{a\}}^{pc} = K(X)$ .

*Proof.* (i) By Lemma 3.2,  $K(X) \subseteq (K(X))_I^{pc}$ . To show the reverse inclusion, let  $x \in (K(X))_I^{pc}$ . Thus there exists  $a \in K(X)$  such that  $a * x \in I$  and  $a \circ x \in I$ . It follows that  $0 * (a * x) = 0$ . Hence by  $(p_{14})$  we have

$$0 * (0 * x) = (0 \circ a) * (0 \circ x) = 0 \circ (a \circ x) = 0,$$

that is,  $0 \leq 0 * x$ . Since  $0 * x$  is a pseudo-atom we get,  $0 * x = 0$  and so  $x \in K(X)$ . Therefore  $(K(X))_I^{pc} = K(X)$ .

(ii) Since  $A \subseteq K(X)$ , it follows from (i) and Lemma 3.2 that  $A_I^{pc} \subseteq (K(X))_I^{pc} = K(X)$ . On the other hand, by  $0 \in I \cap A$ , we can see that  $K(X) \subseteq A_I^{pc}$ . Therefore (ii) holds.

(iii) Let  $x \in K(X)$ . Then  $0 * x = 0$ . Now, since

$$(a * x) \circ a = (a \circ a) * x = 0 * x = 0,$$

we get  $a * x \preceq a$  and so we have  $a * x = a$ . Similarly,  $a \circ x = a$ . This implies that  $x \in \{V(a)\}_{\{a\}}^{pc}$ . In order to show the reverse inclusion, let  $x \in \{V(a)\}_{\{a\}}^{pc}$ . Then  $t * x = a$  for some  $a \preceq t$ . Thus by  $(p_7)$ ,  $a * x \preceq t * x = a$  and so we get  $a * x = a$ . Hence we have

$$0 * x = (a \circ a) * x = (a * x) \circ a = a \circ a = 0,$$

that is,  $x \in K(X)$ . Therefore  $\{V(a)\}_{\{a\}}^{pc} = K(X)$ .  $\square$

In the following example, we show that the condition 0 belong to  $I$  in Theorem 3.3 (ii) is necessary.

**Example 3.4.** Let  $X = \{0, a, b, c, d\}$  be a pseudo  $BCI$ -algebra with the following Cayley table:

$*$	0	$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$	$\circ$	0	$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$
0	0	0	0	0	$d$	0	0	0	0	0	$d$
$a$	$a$	0	$b$	$b$	$d$	$a$	$a$	0	$c$	$a$	$d$
$b$	$b$	0	0	$b$	$d$	$b$	$b$	0	0	$b$	$d$
$c$	$c$	0	0	0	$d$	$c$	$c$	0	0	0	$d$
$d$	$d$	$d$	$d$	$d$	0	$d$	$d$	$d$	$d$	$d$	0

Taking  $A := \{a, b\}$  and  $I := \{b\}$ . It can be check that  $A_I^{pc} = \{0, c\}$  while  $K(X) = \{0, a, b, c\}$ . Therefore  $A_I^{pc} \neq K(X)$ .

**Proposition 3.5.** For any element  $c$  of  $\mathfrak{X}$ ,  $(A(c))_{\{c\}}^{pc}$  is a positive closed ideal of  $\mathfrak{X}$ , where  $A(c) = \{x \in X \mid x \preceq c\}$ .

*Proof.* Because of  $c \circ 0 = c * 0 = c$ , we have  $0 \in (A(c))_{\{c\}}^{pc}$ . We assert that any element  $x$  in  $(A(c))_{\{c\}}^{pc}$  is positive. In fact, let  $x \in (A(c))_{\{c\}}^{pc}$ . Then there exists  $t \preceq c$  such that  $t \circ x = t * x = c$ . Now

$$0 * x = (t \circ c) * x = (t * x) \circ c = c \circ c = 0,$$

as asserted. Now, for any  $x, y * x \in (A(c))_{\{c\}}^{pc}$ , there exist  $t_1, t_2 \preceq c$  such that  $t_1 * x = t_1 \circ x = c$  and  $t_2 * (y * x) = t_2 \circ (y * x) = c$ . By the positivity of  $x$  and  $y * x$ , we have

$$(t_1 * y) \circ c = (t_1 \circ c) * y = 0 * y = (0 * y) \circ (0 * x) = 0 * (y * x) = 0,$$

that is,  $t_1 * y \preceq c$ . Also, from  $t_1 * x = c$  and  $t_2 * (y * x) = c$ , it yields

$$c = t_2 * (y * x) \preceq c * (y * x) = (t_1 * x) * (y * x) \preceq t_1 * y.$$

Hence  $t_1 * y = c$  and so  $y \in (A(c))_{\{c\}}^{pc}$ . We have shown that  $(A(c))_{\{c\}}^{pc}$  is a positive ideal of  $X$ . Also, since for any  $x \in (A(c))_{\{c\}}^{pc}$ , we have  $0 * x = 0 \in (A(c))_{\{c\}}^{pc}$ , it follows from Theorem 2.4 that  $(A(c))_{\{c\}}^{pc}$  is closed.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.6.** *A pseudo BCI-algebra  $\mathfrak{X}$  is a pseudo BCK-algebra if and only if  $\{0\}_I^{pc} = X$  for any subset  $I$  containing  $0$ .*

*Proof.* Straightforward.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.7.** *A pseudo BCI-algebra  $\mathfrak{X}$  is  $p$ -semisimple if and only if  $\{0\}_I^{pc} = \{0\}$ , for any positive subset  $I$  of  $\mathfrak{X}$  containing  $0$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $x \in \{0\}_I^{pc}$ . Thus  $0 * x = 0 \circ x \in I$  and so  $0 * (0 \circ x) = 0 \circ (0 * x) = 0$ . But  $0 \circ (0 * x) = x$  and so we have  $x = 0$ . Therefore  $\{0\}_I^{pc} = \{0\}$ .

Conversely, assume that  $\{0\}_I^{pc} = \{0\}$ . For any  $x \in K(X)$ , we have  $0 * x = 0 \circ x = 0$ . But  $0 \in I$  and so  $x \in \{0\}_I^{pc}$ . Thus  $x = 0$ , and this implies that  $K(X) = \{0\}$ . Now let  $x \in X$ . Since

$$0 \circ (x * (0 \circ (0 * x))) = (0 \circ x) \circ (0 \circ (0 \circ (0 * x))) = (0 \circ x) \circ (0 * x) = 0,$$

we have  $x * (0 \circ (0 * x)) \in K(X)$  and so  $x * (0 \circ (0 * x)) = 0$ . Obviously  $(0 \circ (0 * x)) * x = 0$  and so  $0 \circ (0 * x) = x$ . Therefore  $x \in M(X)$  and we get  $X = M(X)$ . Thus  $X$  is a  $p$ -semisimple.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.8.** *For any subset  $I$  of pseudo BCI-algebra  $\mathfrak{X}$  containing  $0$ ,*

$$(M(X))_I^{pc} = X.$$

*Proof.* Let  $x \in X$ . It follows from Proposition 2.8 that  $x \in V(t)$  for some pseudo-atom element  $t$  of  $X$ . Hence  $t * x = t \circ x = 0$ . This implies that  $x \in (M(X))_I^{pc}$  and so the proof is completed.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.9.** *Let  $A$  be a subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{X}$  and  $0 \in I \subseteq A$ . Then*

- (i)  $x \in A_I^{pc}$  if and only if  $0 * x \in A$ ,
- (ii)  $A_I^{pc}$  is a subalgebra of  $X$  containing  $A$ .

*Proof.* (i)  $(\Rightarrow)$  Let  $x \in A_I^{pc}$ . Then there exists  $a \in A$  such that  $a * x \in I$  and  $a \circ x \in I$ . Since  $A$  is a subalgebra of  $X$ , we get  $(a * x) \circ a \in A$  and  $(a \circ x) * a \in A$ . Therefore  $0 * x = 0 \circ x \in A$ .

$(\Leftarrow)$  Let  $0 * x \in A$ . By  $(p_4)$  and  $(p_{14})$ ,  $(0 * (0 * x)) \circ x = (0 \circ x) * (0 * x) = 0$  and similarly  $(0 * (0 * x)) * x = 0$ . It follows from  $0 \in I$  and  $0 * (0 * x) \in A$  that  $x \in A_I^{pc}$ .

(ii) Since  $0 \in I$ , by Lemma 3.2, we have  $A \subseteq A_I^{pc}$  and so it remains to show that  $A_I^{pc}$  is a subalgebra of  $X$ . Let  $x, y \in A_I^{pc}$ . Then there exist  $a, b \in A$  such that

$$\begin{cases} a * x \in I \\ a \circ x \in I, \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} b * y \in I \\ b \circ y \in I. \end{cases}$$

Thus by the closeness of  $A$  and  $I \subseteq A$ , we have

$$\begin{cases} 0 * x \in A \\ 0 \circ x \in A, \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} 0 * y \in A \\ 0 \circ y \in A. \end{cases}$$

Now we show that  $x * y \in A_I^{pc}$  and  $x \circ y \in A_I^{pc}$ . It follows by  $(p_{12})$  and  $(p_{14})$  that  $0 * (y * x) = (0 * y) \circ (0 * x) \in A$  and hence, we get

$$(0 * (y * x)) * (x * y) = ((0 * y) \circ (0 * x)) * (x * y) = 0 \in I.$$

Also  $(0 * (y * x)) \circ (x * y) = (0 \circ (x * y)) * (y * x) = 0 \in I$ . Therefore  $x * y \in A_I^{pc}$ . Similarly, since  $0 \circ (y \circ x) \in A$  we can show that  $x \circ y \in A_I^{pc}$ . Therefore  $A_I^{pc}$  is a subalgebra of  $X$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.10.** *Let  $I, A$  be pseudo ideals of  $\circ$ -medial pseudo BCI-algebra  $\mathfrak{X}$ . Then  $A_I^{pc}$  is a pseudo ideal of  $\mathfrak{X}$ . Moreover, if  $I, A$  are closed, then so is  $A_I^{pc}$ .*

*Proof.* Obviously  $0 \in A_I^{pc}$ . Let  $x, y * x \in A_I^{pc}$ . Then there exist  $a, b \in A$  such that

$$\begin{cases} a * x \in I \\ a \circ x \in I, \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} b * (y * x) \in I \\ b \circ (y * x) \in I. \end{cases}$$

Since  $(b * (0 * a)) \circ b = (b \circ b) * (0 * a) = 0 * (0 * a) \preceq a \in A$  and  $b \in A$ , we get  $b * (0 * a) \in A$ . Applying  $(p_4)$  and  $(b_1)$  we have

$$((b * (0 * a)) * y) \circ (b * (y * x)) \preceq ((b * (0 * a)) \circ (b * (y * x))) * y \preceq ((y * x) * (0 * a)) * y.$$

Now we show  $((y * x) * (0 * a)) * y \preceq a * x$ . For this,

$$\begin{aligned} (((y * x) * (0 * a)) * y) \circ (a * x) &= (((y * x) \circ (a * x)) * (0 * a)) * y \\ &\succeq (((y * a) \circ (x * x)) * (0 * a)) * y \\ &\succeq ((y * a) * (0 * a)) * y \\ &= (y * 0) * y \\ &= y * y \\ &= 0 \in I, \end{aligned}$$

and from the definition of pseudo ideal we conclude that  $(b * (0 * a)) * y \in I$ . Now we show  $(b * (0 * a)) \circ y \in I$ . But,

$$\begin{aligned} ((b * (0 * a)) \circ y) * (b \circ (y * x)) &= ((b * y) \circ ((0 * a) * 0)) * ((b * y) \circ (0 * x)) \\ &= ((b * y) \circ (0 * a)) * ((b * y) \circ (0 * x)) \\ &\succeq (0 * x) \circ (0 * a) \\ &\succeq a * x \\ &\in I. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $I$  is a pseudo ideal and  $b \circ (y * x) \in I$ , we get  $(b * (0 * a)) \circ y \in I$ . Therefore  $y \in A_I^{pc}$ , and so  $A_I^{pc}$  is a pseudo ideal of  $\mathfrak{X}$ . Now we show that  $A_I^{pc}$  is closed. Let  $x \in A_I^{pc}$ . Then there exists  $a \in A$  such that  $a * x, a \circ x \in I$ . Thus we have  $0 * (a * x) \in I$  and  $0 * a \in A$ . On the other hand, by  $(p_{12})$ , we have

$$(0 * a) \circ (0 * x) = 0 * (a * x).$$

Therefore  $0 * x \in A_I^{pc}$  and so the result is obtained.  $\square$

**Example 3.11.** Consider the  $\circ$ -medial pseudo BCI-algebra  $\mathfrak{X} = (\mathbb{Z}, -, 0)$  which  $x * y = x \circ y = x - y$ , and note that  $A = \mathbb{N}$  is a pseudo ideal of  $\mathfrak{X}$  where  $\mathbb{N}$  is the set of non-negative integers. Taking  $I := \{0\}$ , by some calculations, we can see that  $A_I^{pc} = \mathbb{N}$ . Thus  $A_I^{pc}$  is an ideal of  $\mathfrak{X}$  which is not closed because  $1 * 2 = -1 \notin A_I^{pc}$ .

**Remark 3.1.** For subsets  $A$  and  $I$  of  $\mathfrak{X}$  with  $I \subseteq A$ ,  $A_I^{pc}$  is not necessary to be an ideal of  $\mathfrak{X}$  in general as seen in the following example.

**Example 3.12.** Let  $X = \{0, a, b, c\}$  be a pseudo BCI-algebra with the following Cayley table:

$*$	0	$a$	$b$	$c$	$\circ$	0	$a$	$b$	$c$
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
$a$	$a$	0	$b$	$b$	$a$	$a$	0	$c$	$a$
$b$	$b$	0	0	$b$	$b$	$b$	0	0	$b$
$c$	$c$	0	0	0	$c$	$c$	0	0	0

Taking  $A := \{b, c\}$  and  $I := \{b\}$ , by routine calculations, we can see that  $A_I^{pc} = \{0, b\}$ , which is not a pseudo ideal of  $\mathfrak{X}$ , because  $c * b = 0 \in A_I^{pc}$  and  $c \notin A_I^{pc}$ .

**Lemma 3.13.** For any two subsets  $I$  and  $A$  of  $X$  with  $0 \in I \cap X$ ,  $A_I^{pc}$  contains  $K(X)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x \in K(X)$ . Then  $0 \circ x = 0 * x = 0 \in I$ . But  $0 \in A$ . It implies that  $x \in A_I^{pc}$ . Therefore  $K(X) \subseteq A_I^{pc}$ .  $\square$

Now, we characterization the  $A_{\{0\}}^{pc}$  by some branches.

**Theorem 3.14.** Let  $A$  be a pseudo ideal of  $\mathfrak{X}$ . Then  $A_{\{0\}}^{pc} = \bigcup_{x \in A \cap M(X)} V(x)$ .

*Proof.* Assume that  $y \in \bigcup_{x \in A \cap M(X)} V(x)$ . Then there exists  $x \in A \cap M(X)$  such that  $y \in V(x)$ . Hence, we have  $x \preceq y$  and so  $x * y = x \circ y = 0$ . Thus, by  $x \in A$ , we get  $y \in A_{\{0\}}^{pc}$ . Therefore  $\bigcup_{x \in A \cap M(X)} V(x) \subseteq A_{\{0\}}^{pc}$ . To show the reverse inclusion, let  $z \in A_{\{0\}}^{pc}$ . Then there exists  $a \in A$  such that  $a * z = a \circ z = 0$ . But by Proposition 2.8,  $a \in V(b)$  for some pseudo-atom element  $b$  of  $X$ . Hence  $b \preceq a$  and so  $b \in A$ . Also, we have  $b * z \preceq a * z$ . Thus,  $b * z = 0$  and similarly  $b \circ z = 0$ . It follows that  $z \in V(b)$ . Therefore  $z \in \bigcup_{x \in A \cap M(X)} V(x)$  and the proof is completed.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.15.** Let  $A$  be a pseudo ideal of  $\mathfrak{X}$ . Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (i)  $K(X) \subseteq A$ ,
- (ii)  $A = A_{\{0\}}^{pc}$ ,
- (iii)  $A = \bigcup_{x \in A \cap M(X)} V(x)$ .

*Proof.* (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) Let  $K(X) \subseteq A$ . By Lemma 3.2,  $A \subseteq A_{\{0\}}^{pc}$ . Now, let  $x \in A_{\{0\}}^{pc}$ . Then there exists  $a \in A$  such that  $a * x = a \circ x = 0$  and so  $a \preceq x$ . Thus, by (p7), we get  $0 \preceq x * a$  and  $0 \preceq x \circ a$  which implies that  $x * a, x \circ a \in K(X)$ . Hence  $x * a, x \circ a \in A$  and so from  $a \in A$ , we conclude that  $x \in A$ . Therefore  $A_{\{0\}}^{pc} \subseteq A$ , and so (i) holds.

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) By Theorem 3.14, the result is obvious.

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) Since  $0 \in A \cap M(X)$ , we get  $V(0) \subseteq \bigcup_{x \in A \cap M(X)} V(x)$  and so  $V(0) \subseteq$

$A$ . Hence  $K(X) \subseteq A$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.16.** *For any pseudo ideal  $A$  of  $\mathfrak{X}$ ,  $A_{\{0\}}^{pc}$  is a pseudo ideal of  $\mathfrak{X}$ .*

*Proof.* Obviously  $0 \in A_{\{0\}}^{pc}$ . Let  $x, y * x \in A_{\{0\}}^{pc}$ . Then there exist  $a, b \in A$  such that  $a \preceq x$  and  $b \preceq y * x$ . Since  $(b * (0 * a)) \circ b = (b \circ b) * (0 * a) = 0 * (0 * a) \preceq a \in A$  and  $b \in A$ , we get  $b * (0 * a) \in A$ . From (p7), (p6) and  $b \preceq y * x$ , we get  $b * (0 * x) \preceq (y * x) * (0 * x) \preceq y$ , and so  $(b * (0 * x)) * y = 0$ . On the other hand, by  $a \preceq x$  and (p2), we have  $0 * x = 0 * a$ , which implies that

$$(b * (0 * a)) * y = 0. \quad (1)$$

Also, from (p7) and  $b \preceq y * x$ , we get  $b \circ y \preceq 0 * x$ , and so  $(b * (0 * a)) \circ y = (b \circ y) * (0 * a) \preceq (0 * x) * (0 * a) = (0 \circ x) * (0 \circ a) \preceq a \circ x = 0$ , which implies that

$$(b * (0 * a)) \circ y = 0. \quad (2)$$

Using (1) and (2), we get  $y \in A_{\{0\}}^{pc}$  and the proof is completed.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.17.** *For any pseudo closed ideal  $A$  of  $\mathfrak{X}$ ,  $A_{\{0\}}^{pc}$  is closed.*

*Proof.* Let  $x \in A_{\{0\}}^{pc}$ . Then there exists  $a \in A$  such that  $a * x = a \circ x = 0$  and so  $0 * (a * x) = 0$ . By (p12), we have  $(0 \circ a) \circ (0 * x) = 0 * (a * x) = 0$ . Similarly, by (p13) and (p14), we get  $(0 \circ a) * (0 * x) = 0 \circ (a \circ x) = 0$ , which the closeness of  $A$  implies that  $0 * x \in A_{\{0\}}^{pc}$ . Using Theorem 2.4 we get  $A_{\{0\}}^{pc}$  is closed.  $\square$

**Remark 3.2.** The closed condition of ideal  $A$  in Theorem 3.17 is necessary as we see in Example 3.11.

**Theorem 3.18.** *For any pseudo ideal  $A$  of  $\mathfrak{X}$ ,  $A_{\{0\}}^{pc}$  is the least positive pseudo ideal containing  $A$ .*

*Proof.* By Lemmas 3.2 and 3.13,  $A \subseteq A_{\{0\}}^{pc}$  and  $K(X) \subseteq A_{\{0\}}^{pc}$ . Let  $C$  be another positive pseudo ideal of  $\mathfrak{X}$  containing  $A$ . Now, let  $x \in A_{\{0\}}^{pc}$ . By Lemma 3.2, we have  $x \in C_{\{0\}}^{pc}$ , and so by Corollary 3.15, we get  $x \in C$ . Therefore  $A_{\{0\}}^{pc} \subseteq C$  and so  $A_{\{0\}}^{pc}$  is the least positive pseudo ideal containing  $A$ .  $\square$

In the following, we establish another important property of the  $p$ -closure of an ideal with respect to an ideal.

**Theorem 3.19.** *For any two pseudo ideals  $I$  and  $A$  of  $\mathfrak{X}$ ,  $(A_I^{pc})_I^{pc} = A_I^{pc}$ .*

*Proof.* Using Lemma 3.2, we have  $A_I^{pc} \subseteq (A_I^{pc})_I^{pc}$ . Let  $x \in (A_I^{pc})_I^{pc}$ . Then there exist  $a \in A_I^{pc}$  and  $b \in A$  such that  $a * x, a \circ x \in I$  and  $b * a, b \circ a \in I$ . Now, since  $(b * x) \circ (b * a) \preceq a * x \in I$ , we have  $b * x \in I$  and similarly  $b \circ x \in I$ . Therefore  $x \in A_I^{pc}$  and we get  $(A_I^{pc})_I^{pc} = A_I^{pc}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.20.** *For any pseudo ideals  $I, A, B$  of  $\mathfrak{X}$ , if  $I \subseteq A, B$ , then*

$$(A \cap B)_I^{pc} = A_I^{pc} \cap B_I^{pc}.$$

*Proof.* By Lemma 3.2, we have  $(A \cap B)_I^{pc} \subseteq A_I^{pc} \cap B_I^{pc}$ . Let  $x \in A_I^{pc} \cap B_I^{pc}$ . Then there exist  $a \in A$  and  $b \in B$  such that

$$\begin{cases} a * x \in I \\ a \circ x \in I, \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} b * x \in I \\ b \circ x \in I. \end{cases}$$

First, we show that  $(b * x) \circ (x * a) \in I$ . For this, we have

$$\begin{aligned} ((b * x) \circ (x * a)) * (b * x) &= ((b * x) * (b * x)) \circ (x * a) \\ &= 0 \circ (x * a) \\ &\preceq a * x \in I. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, since  $I$  is an ideal of  $X$ , we get  $(b * x) \circ (x * a) \in I$ . Taking  $y = b \circ (x * a)$ , we get

$$y * b = (b \circ (x * a)) * b = (b * b) \circ (x * a) = 0 \circ (x * a) \preceq a * x \in I \subseteq B$$

and so  $y \in B$ . Similarly,  $y * (b \circ x) = (b \circ (x * a)) * (b \circ x) \preceq x \circ (x * a) \preceq a \in A$  and so we have  $y \in A$ . Thus  $y \in A \cap B$ . But  $y * x = (b \circ (x * a)) * x = (b * x) \circ (x * a) \in I$ . Therefore  $x \in (A \cap B)_I^{pc}$  and so the proof is completed.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.21.** *Let  $I$  be a pseudo ideal of  $\mathfrak{X}$  and define*

$$\mathcal{A}(I) := \{I \subseteq A \mid A \text{ is a pseudo ideal which } A_I^{pc} = A\}.$$

*Then  $(\mathcal{A}(I), \subseteq)$  is a complete lattice.*

*Proof.* Clearly,  $X \in \mathcal{A}(I)$  and  $(\mathcal{A}(I), \subseteq)$  is a partially ordered set. Let  $A, B \in \mathcal{A}(I)$ . Then, by Theorem 3.20,  $A \cap B \in \mathcal{A}(I)$  and by using Theorem 3.19,  $\langle A \cup B \rangle_I^{pc} \in \mathcal{A}(I)$ . Define  $A \wedge B = A \cap B$  and  $A \vee B = \langle A \cup B \rangle_I^{pc}$ . Let  $C \in \mathcal{A}(I)$  such that  $A, B \subseteq C$ . Then,  $\langle A \cup B \rangle \subseteq C$  and hence  $\langle A \cup B \rangle_I^{pc} \subseteq C_I^{pc} = C$ . Now,  $\langle A \cup B \rangle_I^{pc}$  is a l.u.b of  $A, B$ . Hence,  $(\mathcal{A}(I), \wedge, \vee, \subseteq)$  is a lattice. Now, let  $\{A_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Lambda}$  be a family of ideals of  $\mathcal{A}(I)$ . By simple calculation we can get that  $\bigwedge_{\alpha \in \Lambda} A_\alpha = \bigcap_{\alpha \in \Lambda} A_\alpha$  and  $\bigvee_{\alpha \in \Lambda} A_\alpha = \langle \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} A_\alpha \rangle_I^{pc}$ , hence  $\mathcal{A}(I)$  is a complete lattice.  $\square$

In the following theorem, we show that the notion of  $p$ -closure ideals introduces a closure operation on  $(\mathcal{I}(X), \subseteq)$ , where  $\mathcal{I}(X)$  is denoted the set of all ideals of  $X$ .

**Theorem 3.22.** *For any pseudo ideal  $I$  of  $\mathfrak{X}$ ,  $f_I : \mathcal{I}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{I}(X)$  defined by  $f_I(A) = A_I^{pc}$  is a closure operation.*

*Proof.* Combining Lemma 3.2 and Theorem 3.19, the result is obvious.  $\square$

Let  $L = (\mathcal{I}(X), \subseteq, \wedge, \vee)$  be the lattice of all pseudo ideals of  $\mathfrak{X}$  where  $A \wedge B = A \cap B$  and  $A \vee B = \langle A \cup B \rangle$ . Then we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.23.** *Let  $L = (\mathcal{I}(X), \subseteq, \wedge, \vee)$  and let  $f_I : L \rightarrow L$  be the closure operation as in Theorem 3.22. Then  $Im f$  is a lattice in which the lattice operations are given by  $inf\{A, B\} = A \cap B$  and  $sup\{A, B\} = \langle A \cup B \rangle_I^{pc}$ .*

*Proof.* By Theorem 2.9 the result is obvious.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.24.** *Let  $I, A, B$  be pseudo ideals of  $\mathfrak{X}$  with  $I \subseteq A \subseteq B$ . Then*

$$(B/I)_{A/I}^{pc} = B_A^{pc}/I.$$

*Proof.* By  $I \subseteq A \subseteq B$ , we get  $A/I \subseteq B/I$ . Now we have

$$\begin{aligned} (B/I)_{A/I}^{pc} &= \{I_x \in X/I \mid I_b * I_x \in A/I, I_b \circ I_x \in A/I \text{ for some } I_b \in B/I\} \\ &= \{I_x \in X/I \mid I_{b*x} \in A/I, I_{b \circ x} \in A/I \text{ for some } I_b \in B/I\} \\ &= \{I_x \in X/I \mid b * x \in A, b \circ x \in A \text{ for some } b \in B\} \\ &= \{I_x \in X/I \mid x \in B_A^{pc}\} \\ &= B_A^{pc}/I. \end{aligned}$$

$\square$

**Theorem 3.25.** *Let  $I, A$  and  $J, B$  be pseudo ideals of  $\mathfrak{X}$  and  $\mathfrak{Y}$ , respectively. Then*

- (i)  $A_I^{pc} \times B_J^{pc} = (A \times B)_{I \times J}^{pc}$ ,
- (ii)  $(X/A_I^{pc}) \times (Y/B_J^{pc}) \simeq (X \times Y)/((A_I^{pc})_0 \times (B_J^{pc})_0)$ .

*Proof.* (i) Let  $(x, y) \in A_I^{pc} \times B_J^{pc}$ . Then  $x \in A_I^{pc}$  and  $y \in B_J^{pc}$ . Thus there exist  $a \in A$  and  $b \in B$  such that  $a * x, a \circ x \in I$  and  $b * y, b \circ y \in J$ . It follows that  $(a, b) * (x, y) = (a * x, b * y) \in I \times J$  and  $(a, b) \circ (x, y) = (a \circ x, b \circ y) \in I \times J$  for some  $(a, b) \in A \times B$ . Therefore  $(x, y) \in (A \times B)_{I \times J}^{pc}$  and so  $A_I^{pc} \times B_J^{pc} \subseteq (A \times B)_{I \times J}^{pc}$ . The proof of reverse inclusion is similar.

(ii) Consider the natural homomorphisms  $\pi_X : X \rightarrow X/A_I^{pc}$  and  $\pi_Y : Y \rightarrow Y/B_J^{pc}$  with  $\pi_X(x) = (A_I^{pc})_x$  and  $\pi_Y(y) = (B_J^{pc})_y$ . Define the mapping  $f : X \times Y \rightarrow X/A_I^{pc} \times Y/B_J^{pc}$  by  $f(x, y) = (\pi_X(x), \pi_Y(y)) = ((A_I^{pc})_x, (B_J^{pc})_y)$ . Clearly,  $f$  is an epimorphism. Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} \ker f &= \{(x, y) \in X \times Y \mid f(x, y) = ((A_I^{pc})_0, (B_J^{pc})_0)\} \\ &= \{(x, y) \in X \times Y \mid (A_I^{pc})_x = (A_I^{pc})_0 \text{ and } (B_J^{pc})_y = (B_J^{pc})_0\} \\ &= \{(x, y) \in X \times Y \mid x, 0 * x \in A_I^{pc} \text{ and } y, 0 * y \in B_J^{pc}\} \\ &= (A_I^{pc})_0 \times (B_J^{pc})_0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore by the first isomorphism theorem, we have  $(X \times Y)/((A_I^{pc})_0 \times (B_J^{pc})_0) \simeq (X/A_I^{pc}) \times (Y/B_J^{pc})$ .  $\square$

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