

## Weak Positive Implicative BRK-Algebras

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**Abstract.** In this paper we introduce the notion of weak positive implicative BRK-algebra and study its properties via left maps.

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### 1. Introduction

In 1996, two classes of abstract algebras, BCK-algebras and BCI-algebras, were introduced by Imai and Iseki [1, 2]. It is known that the class of BCK-algebras is a proper subclass of BCI-algebras. Since then many researchers introduced and studied different classes of new algebras as a generalization of BCK/BCI-algebras.

In 1983, Hu and Li introduced the notion of BCH-algebras [4] as a generalization of BCI-algebras and studied certain properties of these algebras. In this direction, Jun, Roh and Kim introduced a new class of algebra namely BH-algebras [6] as a generalization of BCH-algebras. Q-Algebras and QS-algebras [5] are further generalizations of BCH algebras. Recently, Ravi Kumar Bandaru introduced the notion of BRK-algebras [3] which is a generalization of BCI/BCI/BCH/Q/QS-algebras and studied various properties of BRK-Algebras. His study was confined to give various characterizations for these BCK/BCI/BCH/Q/QS-algebras with BRK-Algebras.

Ravi kumar defined BRK-algebra as an algebra  $X = (X, *, 0)$  of type (2,0) which satisfies the axioms (i)  $x*0 = x$  and (ii)  $(x*y)*x = 0*y$  for any  $x, y \in X$ . It is known that in any BRK-algebra  $X$  the following holds for any  $x, y \in X$  (see [3]),

- $x*x = 0$
- $0*(x*y) = (0*x)*(0*y)$
- $x*y = 0$  implies  $0*x = 0*y$

He also introduced the notion of positive implicative BRK-algebra as a BRK-algebra which satisfies the condition  $((x*y)*y)*(0*y) = x*y$  and gave a necessary and sufficient condition for a BRK-algebra to be positive implicative.

In this paper we establish an isomorphism theorem for quotient BRK-Algebra determined by homomorphism. Furthermore we make use of weak positive implicative BRK-algebras and study their properties via right maps and left maps.

## 2. Quotient BRK-algebra determined by homomorphism

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $X = (X, *, 0)$  and  $Y = (Y, *, 0)$  be BRK-algebras. A mapping  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is called a homomorphism from  $X$  into  $Y$  if  $f(x * y) = f(x) * f(y)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .

A homomorphism  $f$  is called a monomorphism (resp., epimorphism) if it is injective (resp., surjective). A bijective homomorphism is called an isomorphism. Two BRK-algebras  $X$  and  $Y$  are said to be isomorphic, written  $X \cong Y$ , if there exists an isomorphism  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ . For any homomorphism  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  the set  $\{x \in X : f(x) = 0\}$  is called kernel of  $f$ , denoted by  $Kerf$  and the set  $\{f(x) : x \in X\}$  is called the image of  $f$ , denoted by  $Imf$ .

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a homomorphism of BRK-algebras. Define a relation  $\sim$  on  $X$  by  $x \sim y$  if and only if  $f(x) = f(y)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . Then  $\sim$  is a congruence relation on  $X$  which is called the congruence relation determined by the homomorphism  $f$ .

**Proof:** Clearly  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation on  $X$ . Next suppose  $x \sim y$  and  $u \sim v$ . Then  $f(x) = f(y)$  and  $f(u) = f(v)$ . Now since  $f(x * u) = f(x) * f(u) = f(y) * f(v) = f(y * v)$ ,  $x * u \sim y * v$ . Thus  $\sim$  is a congruence relation on  $X$ . ■

We denote the equivalence class of  $x$  determined by  $\sim$  by  $[x]_f$  and the set of all equivalence classes by  $X/f$  i.e  $[x]_f = \{y \in X : x \sim y\}$  and  $X/f = \{[x]_f : x \in X\}$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be homomorphism on BRK-algebras. Define  $*$  on  $X/f$  by  $[x]_f * [y]_f = [x * y]_f$ . Then  $(X/f, *, [0]_f)$  is a BRK algebra. It is called the quotient BRK-algebra determined by the homomorphism  $f$ .

**Proof:** Since  $\sim$  is a congruence relation on  $X$ ,  $*$  is well defined. Now for any

$[x]_f, [y]_f \in X/f$  we have

1.  $[x]_f * [0]_f = [x * 0]_f = [x]_f$  and
2.  $([x]_f * [y]_f) * [x]_f = [x * y]_f * [x]_f = [(x * y) * x]_f = [0 * y]_f = [0]_f * [y]_f$ .

Thus  $(X/f, *, [0]_f)$  is a BRK-algebra. ■

**Remark 2.4.** Clearly  $[0]_f = Kerf$ .

**Theorem 2.5.** Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be homomorphism of BRK-algebras. Then the image of  $f$  is isomorphic to the quotient BRK-algebra determined by  $f$ , i.e.  $X/f \cong Imf$ .

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**Proof:** Define a mapping  $\theta: X/f \rightarrow Imf$  by  $\theta([x]_f) = f(x)$ . Then

1.  $\theta$  is well defined. Indeed suppose  $[x]_f = [y]_f$  but then

$$[x]_f = [y]_f \Rightarrow x \in [y]_f \Rightarrow f(x) = f(y). \text{ Thus } \theta([x]_f) = \theta([y]_f).$$

2.  $\theta$  is homomorphism. Indeed for any  $[x]_f, [y]_f \in X/f$  we have

$$\theta([x]_f * [y]_f) = \theta([x * y]_f) = f(x * y) = f(x) * f(y) = \theta([x]_f) * \theta([y]_f)$$

3. Clearly  $\theta$  is bijective.

Hence  $X/f \cong Imf$ . ■

### 3. Weak implicative BRK-algebra

Here we will define weak implicative BRK-algebra and investigate its properties.

**Definition 3.1.** A BRK-algebra  $X = (X, *, 0)$  is said to be weak positive implicative if it satisfies  $(x * y) * z = (x * z) * (y * z)$  for all  $x, y$  and  $z \in X$

**Example 3.2.** Let  $X = \{0,1,2,3\}$  be a set with the following cayley table:

*	0	1	2	3
0	0	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	0
2	2	2	0	0
3	3	3	3	0

Then  $(X, *, 0)$  is a weak positive implicative BRK-algebra.

The next example shows the existence of weak implicative BRK algebra which is not BCK/BCI/BCH-algebra.

**Example 3.3.** Let  $Z$  be the set of integers. Define  $*$  on  $Z$  by

$$x * y = \begin{cases} x, & \text{if } y = 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } y \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

Then  $(Z, *, 0)$  is a weak positive implicative BRK-algebra which is not BCK/BCI/BCH-algebra.

**Lemma 3.4.** In any weak positive implicative BRK-algebra  $X$ , the following hold for all  $x, y \in X$ .

1.  $0 * x = 0$
2.  $(x * y) * x = 0$
3.  $x * y = (x * y) * y$
4.  $(x * (x * y)) * y = 0$

**Proof.** Let  $x, y \in X$ . Then

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1.  $0 * x = (x * x) * x = (x * x) * (x * x) = 0 * 0 = 0$
2.  $(x * y) * x = 0 * y = 0$
3.  $x * y = (x * y) * 0 = (x * y) * (y * y) = (x * y) * y$
4.  $(x * (x * y)) * y = (x * y) * ((x * y) * y) = (x * y) * (x * y) = 0$ . ■

**Theorem 3.5.** *Every weak positive implicative BRK-algebra is positive implicative.*

**Proof.** Let  $X = (X, *, 0)$  be a weak positive implicative BRK-algebra. For any  $x, y \in X$ , we have  $((x * y) * y) * (0 * y) = ((x * y) * y) * 0 = (x * y) * y = x * y$ .

Thus  $X$  is positive implicative BRK-algebra. ■

**Remark 3.6.** *The converse of the above theorem is not true.*

**Example 3.7.** *Let  $X = \{0, 1, 2\}$  be a set with Cayley table:*

*	0	1	2
0	0	2	2
1	1	0	0
2	2	0	0

Then  $(X, *, 0)$  is a positive implicative BRK-algebra [see 3] which is not a weak positive implicative (as  $(1 * 1) * 1 = 2 \neq 0 = (1 * 1) * (1 * 1)$ ).

#### 4. R-maps and L-maps in BRK-algebra

In this section we investigate the properties of R-maps and L-maps in weak positive implicative BRK-algebras.

**Definition 4.1.** *Let  $X = (X, *, 0)$  be a BRK-algebra and  $a \in X$  be a fixed element. Then the map  $R_a : X \rightarrow X$  given by  $R_a(x) = x * a$  is called right map of  $X$  and the map  $L_a : X \rightarrow X$  given by  $L_a(x) = a * x$  is called left map of  $X$ . The set of all left maps is denoted by  $\mathbf{L}(X)$ .*

**Definition 4.2.** *A right map  $R_a$  is called idempotent if  $R_a \circ R_a = R_a$  where  $\circ$  is the usual composition of maps.*

**Remark 4.3.** *Clearly for any  $a$ ,  $R_a$  is idempotent if and only if  $(x * a) * a = x * a$  for all  $x \in X$ .*

**Theorem 4.4.** *If a BRK-algebra  $X = (X, *, 0)$  is weak positive implicative, then every right map on  $X$  is idempotent.*

**Proof.** For any  $a \in X$ ,  $R_a(x) = x * a = (x * a) * a = R_a(R_a(x)) = (R_a \circ R_a)(x)$  for all

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$x \in X$ . Hence  $R_a \circ R_a = R_a$ . ■

**Theorem 4.5.** *A BRK-algebra  $X = (X, *, 0)$  is a weak positive implicative if and only if every right map is a homomorphism.*

**Proof.** Suppose  $X$  is a weak positive implicative BRK-algebra. Then for each  $a \in X$ ,  $R_a(x * y) = (x * y) * a = (x * a) * (y * a) = R_a(x) * R_a(y)$ . Thus  $R_a$  is a homomorphism. For the converse suppose every right map is a homomorphism. Now for any  $x, y, z \in X$  we have  $(x * y) * z = R_z(x * y) = R_z(x) * R_z(y) = (x * z) * (y * z)$ . Hence  $X$  is weak positive implicative. ■

**Theorem 4.6.** *In any BRK-algebra  $X = (X, *, 0)$ , if  $L_a$  is a homomorphism, then  $a = 0$ .*

**Proof.** Suppose  $L_a$  is a homomorphism. But then

$$a = a * 0 = L_a(0) = L_a(0 * 0) = L_a(0) * L_a(0) = (a * 0) * (a * 0) = a * a = 0. \quad \blacksquare$$

For a BRK-algebra  $X = (X, *, 0)$  we define a binary operation  $\otimes$  on  $\mathbf{L}(X)$  by  $(L_a \otimes L_b)(x) := L_a(x) * L_b(x)$  for any  $L_a, L_b \in \mathbf{L}(X)$ . We have the following Lemma.

**Lemma 4.7.** *Let  $X = (X, *, 0)$  be weak positive implicative BRK-algebra. For any  $L_a, L_b, L_c \in \mathbf{L}(X)$ , we have*

- i.  $L_a \otimes L_b = L_{a*b}$  i.e.  $L_a \otimes L_b \in \mathbf{L}(X)$ .
- ii.  $(L_a \otimes L_b) \otimes L_c = (L_a \otimes L_c) \otimes (L_a \otimes L_c)$ .

**Proof.** For any  $x \in X$  we have

- i.  $(L_a \otimes L_b)(x) = L_a(x) * L_b(x) = (a * x) * (b * x) = (a * b) * x = L_{a*b}(x)$  and so  $L_a \otimes L_b = L_{a*b}$ .
- ii.  $(L_a \otimes L_b) \otimes L_c = L_{a*b} \otimes L_c = L_{(a*b)*c}$   
 $= L_{(a*c)*(b*c)} = L_{a*c} \otimes L_{b*c}$   
 $= (L_a \otimes L_c) \otimes (L_a \otimes L_c) \quad \blacksquare$

**Theorem 4.8** *If  $X = (X, *, 0)$  is a weak positive implicative BRK-algebra, then  $\mathbf{L}(X) = (\mathbf{L}(X), \otimes, L_0)$  is a weak positive implicative BRK-algebra.*

**Proof.** It is enough to show that  $\mathbf{L}(X) = (\mathbf{L}(X), \otimes, L_0)$  is a BRK-algebra. Now for any  $L_a, L_b \in \mathbf{L}(X)$  we have

1.  $L_a \otimes L_0 = L_{a*0} = L_a$ , and
2.  $(L_a \otimes L_b) \otimes L_a = L_{(a*b)*a} = L_{0*b} = L_0 \otimes L_b$ .

Therefore  $\mathbf{L}(X)$  is a BRK-algebra and hence by the above lemma it is weak positive implicative. ■

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**Corollary 4.9.** *Let  $X = (X, *, 0)$  be a weak positive implicative BRK-algebra. Then the map  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbf{L}(X)$  given by  $f(x) = L_x$  is an epimorphism and  $X/f \cong \mathbf{L}(X)$  where  $X/f$  is the quotient BRK-algebra determined by the homomorphism  $f$ .*

## 5. Conclusion

In this paper, we have introduced the notion of weak positive implicative BRK-algebra and showed that the set of all left maps on weak positive implicative BRK-algebra is also weak positive implicative BRK-algebra. We have also investigated the conditions under which right maps and left maps becomes a homomorphism.

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