# **BCK/BCI-BIALGEBRAS**

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ABSTRACT. The notion of BCK/BCI-bialgebras and sub-bialgebras is introduced, and related properties are investigated. A characterization of  $X = pI(X_1) \uplus pI(X_2)$  is provided.

**1** Introduction. A BCK/BCI-algebra is an important calss of logical algebras introduced by K. Iséki and was extensively investigated by several researchers. Bialgebraic structures, for example, bisemigroups, bigroups, bigroupoids, biloops, birings, bisemirings, binear-rings, etc., are discussed in [6]. In this paper, we consider bialgebraic structures in BCK/BCI-algebras. We introduced the notion of BCK/BCI-bialgebras and sub-bialgebras, and investigate several properties. Using the notion of a commutative bigroup, we construct the concept of  $X = pI(X_1) \uplus pI(X_2)$ , and vice versa.

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

- (I)  $(\forall x, y, z \in X)$  (((x \* y) \* (x \* z)) \* (z \* y) = 0),
- (II)  $(\forall x, y \in X) ((x * (x * y)) * y = 0),$
- (III)  $(\forall x \in X) \ (x * x = 0),$
- (IV)  $(\forall x, y \in X) (x * y = 0, y * x = 0 \Rightarrow x = y).$

If a BCI-algebra X satisfies the following identity:

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

then X is called a *BCK-algebra*. In a BCK-algebra X, the following identity holds.

(a1)  $(\forall x, y, z \in X) ((x * y) * z = (x * z) * y).$ 

A nonempty subset S of a BCK/BCI-algebra X is called a *subalgebra* of X if  $x * y \in S$  for all  $x, y \in S$ . A BCK-algebra X is said to be *positive implicative* if it satisfies the following identity:

$$(\forall x, y, z \in X) ((x * y) * z = (x * y) * (x * z)).$$

A positive implicative BCK-algebra will be written by piBCK-algebra for short. A BCKalgebra X is s said to be *commutative* if x \* (x \* y) = y \* (y \* x) for all  $x, y \in X$ . A commutative BCK-algebra will be written by cBCK-algebra for short. A BCI-algebra X is said to be *p*-semisimple if its *p*-radical is trivial. In a *p*-semisimple BCI-algebra X, we have the following axioms:

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(a2)  $(\forall x, y \in X) (x * (0 * y) = y * (0 * x)),$ 

(a3)  $(\forall x \in X) (0 * (0 * x) = x).$ 

We refer the reader to the book [5] for further information regarding BCK/BCI-algebras.

### 3 BCK/BCI-bialgebras

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $X = (X, *, \oplus, 0)$  be an algebra of type (2, 2, 0). Then  $X = (X, *, \oplus, 0)$  is called a *BCK-bialgebra* (resp. *BCI-bialgebra*) if there exists two distinct proper subsets  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  of X such that

- (i)  $X = X_1 \cup X_2$ .
- (ii)  $(X_1, *, 0)$  is a BCK-algebra (resp. BCI-algebra).
- (iii)  $(X_2, \oplus, 0)$  is a BCK-algebra (resp. BCI-algebra).

Denote by  $X = K(X_1) \uplus K(X_2)$  (resp.  $X = I(X_1) \uplus I(X_2)$ ) the BCK-bialgebra (resp. BCI-bialgebra). If  $(X_1, *, 0)$  is a BCK-algebra (resp. BCI-algebra) and  $(X_2, \oplus, 0)$  is a BCI-algebra (resp. BCK-algebra), then we say that  $X = (X, *, \oplus, 0)$  is a BCKI-bialgebra (resp. BCIK-bialgebra), and denoted by  $X = K(X_1) \uplus I(X_2)$  (resp.  $X = I(X_1) \uplus K(X_2)$ ).

**Example 3.2.** (1) Let  $X = \{0, a, b, c, d\}$  and consider two proper subsets  $X_1 = \{0, a, b\}$  and  $X_2 = \{0, a, c, d\}$  of X together with Cayley tables respectively as follows:

*	0	a	h		$\oplus$	0	a	c	d
	0			-	0	0	0	0	0
a	$a \\ b$	0	0		a c	a c	0	a	0
b	b	a	0		d	d	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ c \\ c \end{array}$	a	0

Then  $(X_1, *, 0)$  and  $(X_2, \oplus, 0)$  are BCK-algebras. Hence  $(X, *, \oplus, 0)$  is a BCK-bialgebra, i.e.,  $X = K(X_1) \uplus K(X_2)$ .

(2) Let  $X = \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0, a, b, c\}$  where  $\mathbb{R}^+$  is the set of all positive real numbers. Define two binary operations '\*' and ' $\oplus$ ' as follows:

$$(\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\}) (x * y = \max\{x - y, 0\})$$

and

$\oplus$	0	a	b	c
0	0	0	0	0
a	a	0	a	0
b	b	b	0	0
c	c	b	a	0

Then  $(X_1 := \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\}, *, 0)$  and  $(X_2 := \{0, a, b, c\}, \oplus, 0)$  are BCK-algebras. Hence  $(X, *, \oplus, 0)$  is a BCK-bialgebra, i.e.,  $X = K(X_1) \uplus K(X_2)$ .

(3) Let  $X = \{0, a, b, c, d\}$  and consider two proper subsets  $X_1 = \{0, a, b\}$  and  $X_2 = \{0, a, c, d\}$  of X together with Cayley tables respectively as follows:

*	0	a	Ь			a		
		$\frac{a}{0}$		0	0	0	С	c
a	a	0	0	a	a	$0 \\ c$	c	c
$\ddot{b}$	b	$0 \\ a$	0			c	0	0
				d	d	c	a	0

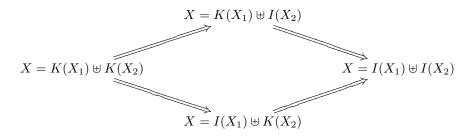
Then  $(X_1, *, 0)$  is a BCK-algebra and  $(X_2, \oplus, 0)$  is a BCI-algebra. Hence  $(X, *, \oplus, 0)$  is a BCKI-bialgebra, i.e.,  $X = K(X_1) \uplus I(X_2)$ .

(4) Let  $X = \{0, a, b, c, d, e, x, y, z\}$  and consider two proper subsets  $X_1 = \{0, a, b, c, d, e\}$ and  $X_2 = \{0, x, y, z\}$  of X together with Cayley tables respectively as follows:

*	0	a	b	c	d	e			ľ			
0	0	0	0	0	d	d	-	$\oplus$	0	x	y	z
a	a	0	a	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \end{array}$	e	d		0	0	z	y	x
b	b	b	0	0	d	d					z	
c	c	b	a	0	e	d		y	y	x	0	z
d	d	d	d	d	0	0		z	z	y	x	0
e	e	d	e	d	a	0			•			

Then  $(X_1, *, 0)$  and  $(X_2, \oplus, 0)$  are BCI-algebras. Hence  $(X, *, \oplus, 0)$  is a BCI-bialgebra, i.e.,  $X = I(X_1) \uplus I(X_2)$ .

Proposition 3.3. We have



Proof. Since every BCK-algebra is a BCI-algebra, it is straightforward.

Note that any BCI-algebra need not be a BCK-algebra. Hence the converse of Proposition 3.3 is not true in general.

**Definition 3.4.** Let  $X = K(X_1) \uplus K(X_2)$  (resp.  $X = K(X_1) \uplus I(X_2)$ ,  $X = I(X_1) \uplus K(X_2)$ ,  $X = I(X_1) \uplus I(X_2)$ ). A subset  $H(\neq \emptyset)$  of X is called a *sub-bialgebra* of X if there exist subsets  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  of  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ , respectively, such that

- (i)  $H_1 \neq H_2$  and  $H = H_1 \cup H_2$ ,
- (ii)  $(H_1, *, 0)$  is a subalgebra of  $(X_1, *, 0)$ ,
- (iii)  $(H_2, \oplus, 0)$  is a subalgebra of  $(X_2, \oplus, 0)$ .

**Example 3.5.** Let X be a BCK-bialgebra in Example 3.2(1) and let  $H_1 = \{0, a\}$  and  $H_2 = \{0, c\}$ . Then  $H_1 \neq H_2$  and  $H_1$  (resp.  $H_2$ ) is a subalgebra of  $X_1$  (resp.  $X_2$ ). Hence  $H = \{0, a, c\}$  is a sub-bialgebra of X. We can easily check that  $(H = \{0, a, c\}, \oplus, 0)$  is a BCK-algebra. Note also that  $H_3 = \{0, d\}$  is a subalgebra of  $X_2$  and  $H_1 \neq H_3$ . Thus  $G = \{0, a, d\}$  is a sub-bialgebra of X. We can easily check that  $(G = \{0, a, d\}, \oplus, 0)$  is not a BCK-algebra.

**Remark 3.6.** Let *L* be a sub-bialgebra of a BCK-bialgebra  $(X, *, \oplus, 0)$ . Then *L* may not be a BCK-algebra under \* or  $\oplus$  as seen in Example 3.5.

We provide a characterization of a sub-bialgebra.

**Theorem 3.7.** Let  $X = K(X_1) \uplus K(X_2)$  (resp.  $X = K(X_1) \uplus I(X_2)$ ,  $X = I(X_1) \uplus K(X_2)$ ,  $X = I(X_1) \uplus I(X_2)$ ) and let H be a nonempty subset of X. Then H is a sub-bialgebra of X if and only if there exist two proper subsets  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  of X such that

- (i)  $X = X_1 \cup X_2$ , where  $(X_1, *, 0)$  and  $(X_2, \oplus, 0)$  are BCK-algebras (resp.  $(X_1, *, 0)$  is a BCK-algebra and  $(X_2, \oplus, 0)$  is a BCI-algebra,  $(X_1, *, 0)$  is a BCI-algebra and  $(X_2, \oplus, 0)$  is a BCK-algebra,  $(X_1, *, 0)$  and  $(X_2, \oplus, 0)$  are BCI-algebras),
- (ii)  $(H \cap X_1, *, 0)$  is a subalgebra of  $(X_1, *, 0)$ ,
- (iii)  $(H \cap X_1, \oplus, 0)$  is a subalgebra of  $(X_1, \oplus, 0)$ .

*Proof.* We prove it for the case  $X = K(X_1) \uplus K(X_2)$ . For other cases, we can have desired results by the similar method. Assume that H is a sub-bialgebra of X. Then  $(H, *, \oplus, 0)$  is a BCK-bialgebra. Hence there exist two distinct proper subsets  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  of H such that

- $H = H_1 \cup H_2$ ,
- $(H_1, *, 0)$  and  $(H_2, \oplus, 0)$  are BCK-algebras.

Taking  $H_1 = H \cap X_1$  and  $H_2 = H \cap X_2$  imply that  $(H_1 = H \cap X_1, *, 0)$  and  $(H_2 = H \cap X_2, \oplus, 0)$  are subalgebras of  $(X_1, *, 0)$  and  $(X_2, \oplus, 0)$ , respectively. Conversely, Let H be a nonempty subset of a BCK-bialgebra  $(X, *, \oplus, 0)$  satisfying conditions (i), (ii) and (iii). It is sufficient to show that  $(H \cap X_1) \cup (H \cap X_2) = H$ . Now,

$$(H \cap X_1) \cup (H \cap X_2) = ((H \cap X_1) \cup H) \cap ((H \cap X_1) \cup X_2)$$
  
=  $((H \cup H) \cap (X_1 \cup H)) \cap ((H \cup X_2) \cap (X_1 \cup X_2))$   
=  $(H \cap (X_1 \cup H)) \cap ((H \cup X_2) \cap X)$   
=  $H \cap (H \cup X_2)$   
=  $H.$ 

This completes the proof.

Denote by  $X = piK(X_1) \uplus cK(X_2)$  the  $X = K(X_1) \uplus K(X_2)$  in which  $(X_1, *, 0)$  is a positive implicative BCK-algebra and  $(X_2, \oplus, 0)$  is a commutative BCK-algebra. Denote by  $X = iK(X_1) \uplus cK(X_2)$  the  $X = K(X_1) \uplus K(X_2)$  in which  $(X_1, *, 0)$  is an implicative BCK-algebra and  $(X_2, \oplus, 0)$  is a commutative BCK-algebra. Note that

$$X = iK(X_1) \uplus cK(X_2) \Rightarrow X = piK(X_1) \uplus cK(X_2) \Rightarrow X = K(X_1) \uplus K(X_2),$$

but the converse is not true in general. In fact, in Example 3.2(1), we can see that the implication

$$X = K(X_1) \uplus K(X_2) \Rightarrow X = piK(X_1) \uplus cK(X_2)$$

does not hold.

**Example 3.8.** Let  $X = \{0, x, y, a, b, c\}$  and consider two subsets  $X_1 = \{0, a, b, c\}$  and  $X_2 = \{0, x, y\}$  of X with Cayley tables as follows:

*	<	0	a	b	c	Φ	0	x	21
(	)	0	0	0	0		0	<i>x</i>	$\frac{y}{0}$
0	ι	a	0	0	a	$egin{array}{c} 0 \\ x \\ y \end{array}$	0	0	0
ł	)	b	b	0	b	u a	ı	0	0
6	,	c	$egin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ b \\ c \end{array}$	c	0	y	y	x	0

It is easy to check that  $X = piK(X_1) \uplus cK(X_2)$ , but  $X \neq iK(X_1) \uplus cK(X_2)$ .

**Lemma 3.9.** [3] A BCK-algebra X is positive implicative if and only if it satisfies the following identity:

$$(\forall x, y \in X) (x * y = (x * y) * y).$$

**Lemma 3.10.** [3] A BCK-algebra X is commutative if and only if it is a semilattice with respect to  $\wedge$ .

Using Lemmas 3.9 and 3.10, we provide a condition for  $X = K(X_1) \uplus K(X_2)$  to be  $X = piK(X_1) \uplus cK(X_2)$ .

**Theorem 3.11.** Let  $X = K(X_1) \uplus K(X_2)$ . Then  $X = piK(X_1) \uplus cK(X_2)$  if and only if the following conditions are true.

- (i)  $(\forall x, y \in X) \ (x * y = (x * y) * y),$
- (ii)  $X_2$  is a semilattice with respect to  $\wedge_{\oplus}$  which is given by

$$(\forall a, b \in X_2) \ (a \wedge_{\oplus} b = b \oplus (b \oplus a)).$$

**Lemma 3.12.** [3] A BCK-algebra X is commutative if and only if it satisfies the following identity:

$$(\forall x, y \in X) (A(x) \cap A(y) = A(\land y)),$$

where A(x) is the initial section of x.

Applying Lemmas 3.9 and 3.12, we have a characterization of  $X = piK(X_1) \uplus cK(X_2)$ .

**Theorem 3.13.** Let  $X = K(X_1) \uplus K(X_2)$ . Then  $X = piK(X_1) \uplus cK(X_2)$  if and only if the following conditions are true.

- (i)  $(\forall x, y \in X) (x * y = (x * y) * y),$
- (ii)  $(\forall a, b \in X_2) (A(a) \cap A(b) = A(a \wedge_{\oplus} b)).$

**Definition 3.14.** [4] A set  $(G, +, \bullet)$  with two binary operations + and  $\bullet$  is called a *bigroup* if there exists two proper subsets  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  of G such that  $G = G_1 \cup G_2$ ,  $(G_1, +)$  is a group, and  $(G_2, \bullet)$  is a group. If both  $(G_1, +)$  and  $(G_2, \bullet)$  are commutative, then we say that  $(G, +, \bullet)$  is a *commutative bigroup*.

Denote by  $X = pI(X_1) \uplus pI(X_2)$  the  $X = I(X_1) \uplus I(X_2)$  in which  $(X_1, *, 0)$  and  $(X_2, \oplus, 0)$  are *p*-semisimple BCI-algebras.

**Lemma 3.15.** [1] A BCI-algebra X satisfies the identity

$$(\forall x, y \in X) (x * (x * y) = y)$$

if and only if it has a sum + and (X, +) is a commutative group.

Lemma 3.16. [2] In a BCI-algebra X, the following are equivalent.

- (i)  $(\forall x, y \in X) (x * (x * y) = y).$
- (ii) X is p-semisimple.

**Theorem 3.17.** If  $X = pI(X_1) \uplus pI(X_2)$ , then X has operations + and  $\bullet$  so that  $(X, +, \bullet)$  is commutative bigroup.

*Proof.* If  $X = pI(X_1) \oplus pI(X_2)$ , then  $X = X_1 \cup X_2$ , and  $(X_1, *, 0)$  and  $(X_2, \oplus, 0)$  are *p*-semisimple BCI-algebras. By means of Lemmas 3.15 and 3.16, X has two operations + and • so that (X, +) and  $(X, \bullet)$  are commutative groups, in which + and • are given by x + y = x \* (0 \* y) and  $x \bullet y = x \oplus (0 \oplus y)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . Hence  $(X, +, \bullet)$  is a commutative bigroup.

**Theorem 3.18.** Let  $(G, +, \bullet)$  be a commutative bigroup. If we define operations \* and  $\oplus$  on G as follows:

$$(\forall x, y \in G) (x * y = x - y) \text{ and } (\forall a, b \in G) (a \oplus b = a \bullet b^{-1}),$$

then  $G = pI(G_1) \uplus pI(G_2)$  for some  $G_1, G_2 \subseteq G$ .

*Proof.* If  $(G, +, \bullet)$  is a commutative bigroup, then  $G = G_1 \cup G_2$  for some  $G_1, G_2 \subseteq G$ , and  $(G_1, +)$  and  $(G_2, \bullet)$  are (commutative) groups. It is easy to prove that  $(G_1, *, 0)$  and  $(G_2, \oplus, 0)$  are *p*-semisimple BCI-algebras. Hence  $G = pI(G_1) \uplus pI(G_2)$ .

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