

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. θ 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. θ 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 θ 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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