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**CANCELLATION LAWS FOR BCI-ALGEBRA, ATOMS AND  
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ABSTRACT. We derive cancellation laws for *BCI*-algebras and for *p*-semisimple *BCI*-algebras, show that the set of all atoms of a *BCI*-algebra is a *p* semisimple *BCI*-algebra and that in a *p*-semisimple *BCI*-algebra  $\leq$  and  $=$  are the same.

**1. Introduction.** *BCI*-algebras, first introduced by Iséki in [1], can be defined as follows:  
**Definition 1** An algebra  $\langle X; *, 0 \rangle$  of type  $(2, 0)$  is a *BCI*-algebra if for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

- BCI*-1  $(x * y) * (x * z) \leq z * y$  ;
- BCI*-2  $x * (x * y) \leq y$ ;
- BCI*-3  $x \leq x$ ;
- BCI*-4  $x \leq y$  and  $y \leq x$  imply  $x = y$ ;
- BCI*-5  $x \leq y$  iff  $x * y = 0$ .

The following well known properties of *BCI*-algebras are used below.

- (1)  $(x * y) * z = (x * z) * y$
- (2)  $0 * (x * y) = (0 * x) * (0 * y)$
- (3)  $x * 0 = x$
- (4)  $x * (x * (x * y)) = x * y$
- (5)  $x * x = 0$
- (6)  $x \leq 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$ .

**2. A Cancellation law for BCI-Algebras.**

**Theorem 1** If  $\langle X; *, 0 \rangle$  is a *BCI*-algebra and  $x, y, z \in X$  then:

- (i)  $x * y \leq x * z \Rightarrow 0 * y = 0 * z$  ;
- (ii)  $y * x \leq z * x \Rightarrow 0 * y = 0 * z$ .

**Proof** (i) If  $x * y \leq x * z$ , by *BCI*-5,

$$(x * y) * (x * z) = 0$$

and so by *BCI*-1 and *BCI*-5,

$$0 * (z * y) = 0 \tag{a}$$

and by (2),

$$(0 * z) * (0 * y) = 0.$$

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Hence by *BCI-5*

$$0 * z \leq 0 * y.$$

We now apply the same cancellation procedure to this as we did to  $x * y \leq x * z$ , this time “cancelling” the 0 to give:

$$0 * y \leq 0 * z$$

$$\therefore 0 * y = 0 * z.$$

(ii) If  $y * x \leq z * x$ , by *BCI-5*,

$$(y * x) * (z * x) = 0.$$

*BCI-1* and (1) give

$$((y * x) * (z * x)) * (y * z) = 0$$

so

$$0 * (y * z) = 0 \tag{-b)}$$

giving, as above,

$$0 * y \leq 0 * z.$$

As in (i) this gives  $0 * y = 0 * z$ .

**Corollary** If  $\langle X; *, 0 \rangle$  is a *BCI*-algebra and  $x, y, z \in X$  then

$$(i) \quad x * y = x * z \Rightarrow 0 * y = 0 * z$$

$$(ii) \quad y * x = z * x \Rightarrow 0 * y = 0 * z.$$

We have two further properties resulting from the above cancellation laws:

**Theorem 2** If  $\langle X; *, 0 \rangle$  is a *BCI*-algebra and  $x, y, z \in X$  then:

$$(i) \quad x \leq x * z \Rightarrow 0 \leq z$$

$$(ii) \quad x * y \leq x \Rightarrow 0 \leq y.$$

**Proof** (i) If  $x \leq x * z$ , by (3)  $x * 0 \leq x * z$  and so by Theorem 1 (i)  $0 * z = 0 * 0$ . This gives  $0 * z = 0$  ie  $0 \leq z$ .

(ii) If  $x * y \leq x$ , by (3),  $x * y \leq x * 0$  and so by Theorem 1 (ii)  $0 * y = 0 * 0 = 0$ , so  $0 \leq y$ .

**3. P-Semisimple Algebras.** These were introduced by Lei and Xi in [2] as follows:

**Definition 2** A *BCI*-algebra  $\langle X; *, 0 \rangle$  is p-semisimple if

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

In these algebras we find that  $\leq$  becomes the same as  $=$ .

**Theorem 3** If  $\langle X; *, 0 \rangle$  is a p-semisimple *BCI*-algebra and  $x, y \in X$  then if  $x \leq y$  also  $x = y$ .

**Proof** If  $x \leq y$ ,  $x * y = 0$  by *BCI-5*. Also by (5),  $x * y = x * x$ , so by the corollary to Theorem 1,  $0 * y = 0 * x$ .

As  $(0 * x) * (0 * x) = 0$ , we have  $(0 * y) * (0 * x) = 0$  and by (2),  $0 * (y * x) = 0$ .

As *BCI*-algebras are closed under  $*$ ,  $y * x \in X$ , so if the algebra is p-semisimple,  $y * x = 0$ .

By *BCI-4*,  $x = y$ .

Our cancellation laws can now be strengthened.

**Theorem 4** If  $\langle X; *, 0 \rangle$  is a p-semisimple *BCI*-algebra and  $x, y, z \in X$  then:

$$(i) \quad x * y \leq x * z \Rightarrow y = z;$$

$$(ii) \quad y * x \leq z * x \Rightarrow y = z.$$

**Proof** (i) If  $x * y \leq x * z$ , by Theorem 1(i) we get  $0 * z = 0 * y$  and so  $(0 * z) * (0 * y) = 0$ . By (2) this gives  $0 * (z * y) = 0$ , so if the algebra is p-semisimple we have  $z * y = 0$  i.e.  $z \leq y$ . The result then follows from Theorem 3.

(ii) Similar.

**Corollary** If  $\langle X; *, 0 \rangle$  is a p-semisimple *BCI*-algebra and  $x, y, z \in X$  then

- (i)  $x * y = x * z \Rightarrow y = z$ ;
- (ii)  $y * x = z * x \Rightarrow y = z$ .

**4. Atoms.** Meng and Xin in [5] introduced the notion of atom and the class of all atoms of a *BCI*-algebra.

**Definition 3** An element of a *BCI*-algebra  $\langle X; *, 0 \rangle$  is an atom if

$$(\forall z \in X)(z * a = 0 \Rightarrow z = a)$$

**Definition 4**  $L(X) = \{x \in X \mid a \text{ is an atom of } X\}$

Meng and Xin prove in [5]:

**Theorem 5** If  $\langle X; *, 0 \rangle$  is a *BCI*-algebra then

- (i)  $a$  is an atom iff  $a = 0 * (0 * a)$ ;
  - (ii)  $(\forall x \in X) 0 * x \in L(X)$ .
- ((ii) also follows from (4) and (i).)

The following simple representation of  $L(X)$  results:

**Theorem 6**  $L(X) = \{0 * x \mid x \in X\}$ .

Meng and Xin prove that  $L(X)$  is a *BCI*-algebra. The following result of Lei and Xi [2]:

**Theorem 7** If  $\langle X; *, 0 \rangle$  is a *BCI*-algebra then  $X$  is p-semisimple iff

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

and Theorem 5(i) give us:

**Theorem 8** If  $\langle X; *, 0 \rangle$  is a *BCI*-algebra  $\langle L(X); *, 0 \rangle$  is a p-semisimple *BCI*-algebra.

A final result on  $L(X)$  is the following:

**Theorem 9** If  $\langle X; *, 0 \rangle$  is a *BCI*-algebra then  $L(L(X)) = L(X)$ .

**Proof** By Theorem 6,

$$\begin{aligned} L(L(X)) &= \{0 * x \mid x \in L(X)\} \\ &= \{0 * (0 * y) \mid y \in X\} \end{aligned}$$

Similarly

$$L(L(L(X))) = \{0 * (0 * (0 * z)) \mid z \in X\},$$

so by (4)

$$L(L(L(X))) = L(X).$$

Hence as  $L(L(L(X))) \subseteq L(L(X)) \subseteq L(X)$  we have  $L(L(X)) = L(X)$ .

**5. Powers.** In [2] Lei and Xi define a new operation  $+$  by:

**Definition 5**  $x + y = x * (0 * y)$

and show that if  $\langle X; *, 0 \rangle$  is a p-semisimple *BCI*-algebra then  $\langle X, + \rangle$  is an abelian group.

In [3] Meng and Wei use the same operation to define powers of elements by:

$$\begin{aligned} x^1 &= x \\ x^{n+1} &= x * (0 * x^n), \end{aligned}$$

(though  $mx$  instead of  $x^m$  might have been in better keeping with  $+$ ).

The following are new properties of this form of exponentiation:

**Theorem 10** If  $x$  is an element of a *BCI*-algebra  $\langle X; *, 0 \rangle$  then:

- (i)  $(0 * x)^n = 0 * x^n$ ;
- (ii)  $(0 * x)^n = (\dots((0 * x) * x)\dots) * x$

(where there are  $n$   $x$ s on the right hand side).

**Proof** (i) By induction on  $n$ .

$n = 1$  - obvious.

Assuming (i) for  $n$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (0 * x)^{n+1} &= (0 * x) * (0 * (0 * x)^n) \\
 &= (0 * x) * (0 * (0 * x^n)) && \text{-(c)} \\
 &= 0 * (x * (0 * x^n)) && \text{by (2)} \\
 &= 0 * x^{n+1}
 \end{aligned}$$

(ii) By induction on  $n$ .

$n = 1$  - obvious.

Assuming (ii) for  $n$ , by (c) above, (1) and (4):

$$\begin{aligned}
 (0 * x)^{n+1} &= (0 * (0 * (0 * x^n))) * x \\
 &= (0 * x^n) * x \\
 &= (0 * x)^n * x && \text{by (i)} \\
 &= (\dots((0 * x) * x)\dots) * x.
 \end{aligned}$$

as required.

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