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# **BMBJ-neutrosophic ideals in** BCK/BCI-algebras

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Abstract: The concepts of a BMBJ-neutrosophic  $\circ$ -subalgebra and a (closed) BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal are introduced, and several properties are investigated. Conditions for an MBJ-neutrosophic set to be a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal in BCK/BCI-algebras are provided. Characterizations of BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal are discussed. Relations between a BMBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra, a BMBJ-neutrosophic  $\circ$ -subalgebra and a (closed) BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal are considered.

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# **1** Introduction

Smarandache introduced the notion of neutrosophic set which is a more general platform that extends the notions of classic set, (intuitionistic) fuzzy set and interval valued (intuitionistic) fuzzy set (see [11, 12]). Neutrosophic set theory is applied to various part which is referred to the site

http://fs.gallup.unm.edu/neutrosophy.htm.

Jun and his colleagues applied the notion of neutrosophic set theory to BCK/BCI-algebras (see [4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 13, 14]). Borzooei et al. [2] studied commutative generalized neutrosophic ideals in BCK-algebras. Mohseni et al. [9] introduced the notion of MBJ-neutrosophic sets which is another generalization of neutrosophic set. They introduced the concept of MBJ-neutrosophic subalgebras in BCK/BCI-algebras, and investigated related properties. They gave a characterization of MBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra, and established a new MBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra by using an MBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra of a BCI-algebra. They considered the homomorphic inverse image of MBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra, and discussed translation of MBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra. Bordbar et al. [1] introduced the notion of BMBJ-neutrosophic subalgebras, and investigated related properties.

In this paper, we apply the notion of MBJ-neutrosophic sets to ideals of BCK/BI-algebras. We introduce the concepts of a BMBJ-neutrosophic  $\circ$ -subalgebra and a (closed) BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal, and investigate several properties. We provide conditions for an MBJ-neutrosophic set to be a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal in BCK/BCI-algebras, and discuss characterizations of BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal. We consider relations between a BMBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra, a BMBJ-neutrosophic  $\circ$ -subalgebra and a (closed) BMBJneutrosophic ideal.

### 2 Preliminaries

By a BCI-algebra, we mean a set X with a binary operation \* and a special element 0 that satisfies the following conditions:

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

(II) (x \* (x \* y)) \* y = 0,

- (III) x \* x = 0,
- (IV)  $x * y = 0, y * x = 0 \Rightarrow x = y$

for all  $x, y, z \in X$ . If a *BCI*-algebra X satisfies the following identity:

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

then X is called a *BCK-algebra*.

By a *weakly* BCK-algebra (see [3]), we mean a BCI-algebra X satisfying  $0 * x \le x$  for all  $x \in X$ . Every BCK/BCI-algebra X satisfies the following conditions:

$$(\forall x \in X) (x * 0 = x), \tag{2.1}$$

$$(\forall x, y, z \in X) (x \le y \Rightarrow x * z \le y * z, z * y \le z * x),$$
(2.2)

$$(\forall x, y, z \in X) ((x * y) * z = (x * z) * y),$$
(2.3)

$$(\forall x, y, z \in X) ((x * z) * (y * z) \le x * y)$$
 (2.4)

where  $x \le y$  if and only if x \* y = 0. Any *BCI*-algebra X satisfies the following conditions (see [3]):

$$(\forall x, y \in X)(x * (x * (x * y)) = x * y),$$
(2.5)

$$(\forall x, y \in X)(0 * (x * y) = (0 * x) * (0 * y)).$$
(2.6)

A BCI-algebra X is said to be *p*-semisimple (see [3]) if

$$(\forall x \in X)(0 * (0 * x) = x).$$
 (2.7)

In a *p*-semisimple *BCI*-algebra *X*, the following holds:

$$(\forall x, y \in X)(0 * (x * y) = y * x, \ x * (x * y) = y).$$
(2.8)

A BCI-algebra X is said to be associative (see [3]) if

$$(\forall x, y, z \in X)((x * y) * z = x * (y * z)).$$
 (2.9)

By an (S)-BCK-algebra, we mean a BCK-algebra X such that, for any  $x, y \in X$ , the set

 $\{z \in X \mid z * x \le y\}$ 

has the greatest element, written by  $x \circ y$  (see [8]).

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 subset I of a BCK/BCI-algebra X is called an *ideal* of X if it satisfies:

$$0 \in I, \tag{2.10}$$

$$(\forall x \in X) (\forall y \in I) (x * y \in I \implies x \in I).$$
(2.11)

A subset I of a BCI-algebra X is called a *closed ideal* of X (see [3]) if it is an ideal of X which satisfies:

$$(\forall x \in X)(x \in I \implies 0 * x \in I).$$
(2.12)

By an *interval number* we mean a closed subinterval  $\tilde{a} = [a^-, a^+]$  of I, where  $0 \le a^- \le a^+ \le 1$ . Denote by [I] the set of all interval numbers.

Let X be a nonempty set. A function  $A : X \to [I]$  is called an *interval-valued fuzzy set* (briefly, an *IVF set*) in X. Let  $[I]^X$  stand for the set of all IVF sets in X. For every  $A \in [I]^X$  and  $x \in X$ ,  $A(x) = [A^-(x), A^+(x)]$ is called the *degree* of membership of an element x to A, where  $A^- : X \to I$  and  $A^+ : X \to I$  are fuzzy sets in X which are called a *lower fuzzy set* and an *upper fuzzy set* in X, respectively. For simplicity, we denote  $A = [A^-, A^+]$ .

Let X be a non-empty set. A *neutrosophic set* (NS) in X (see [11]) is a structure of the form:

$$A := \{ \langle x; A_T(x), A_I(x), A_F(x) \rangle \mid x \in X \}$$

where  $A_T : X \to [0, 1]$  is a truth membership function,  $A_I : X \to [0, 1]$  is an indeterminate membership function, and  $A_F : X \to [0, 1]$  is a false membership function. For the sake of simplicity, we shall use the symbol  $A = (A_T, A_I, A_F)$  for the neutrosophic set

$$A := \{ \langle x; A_T(x), A_I(x), A_F(x) \rangle \mid x \in X \}.$$

We refer the reader to the books [3, 8] for further information regarding BCK/BCI-algebras, and to the site "http://fs.gallup.unm.edu/neutrosophy.htm" for further information regarding neutrosophic set theory.

Let X be a non-empty set. By an *MBJ-neutrosophic set* in X (see [9]), we mean a structure of the form:

$$\mathcal{A} := \{ \langle x; M_A(x), B_A(x), J_A(x) \rangle \mid x \in X \}$$

where  $M_A$  and  $J_A$  are fuzzy sets in X, which are called a truth membership function and a false membership function, respectively, and  $\tilde{B}_A$  is an IVF set in X which is called an indeterminate interval-valued membership function.

For the sake of simplicity, we shall use the symbol  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  for the MBJ-neutrosophic set

$$\mathcal{A} := \{ \langle x; M_A(x), B_A(x), J_A(x) \rangle \mid x \in X \}$$

Let X be a BCK/BCI-algebra. An MBJ-neutrosophic set  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  in X is called a *BMBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra* of X (see [1]) if it satisfies:

$$(\forall x \in X)(M_A(x) + B_A^-(x) \le 1, B_A^+(x) + J_A(x) \le 1)$$
(2.13)

$$(\forall x, y \in X) \begin{pmatrix} M_A(x * y) \ge \min\{M_A(x), M_A(y)\} \\ B_A^-(x * y) \le \max\{B_A^-(x), B_A^-(y)\} \\ B_A^+(x * y) \ge \min\{B_A^+(x), B_A^+(y)\} \\ J_A(x * y) \le \max\{J_A(x), J_A(y)\} \end{pmatrix}.$$
(2.14)

#### **3 BMBJ-neutrosophic ideals**

**Definition 3.1.** Let X be a BCK/BCI-algebra. An MBJ-neutrosophic set  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  in X is called a *BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal* of X if it satisfies (2.13) and

$$(\forall x \in X) \begin{pmatrix} M_A(0) \ge M_A(x) \\ B_A^-(0) \le B_A^-(x) \\ B_A^+(0) \ge B_A^+(x) \\ J_A(0) \le J_A(x) \end{pmatrix},$$
(3.1)

$$(\forall x, y \in X) \begin{pmatrix} M_A(x) \ge \min\{M_A(x * y), M_A(y)\} \\ B_A^-(x) \le \max\{B_A^-(x * y), B_A^-(y)\} \\ B_A^+(x) \ge \min\{B_A^+(x * y), B_A^+(y)\} \\ J_A(x) \le \max\{J_A(x * y), J_A(y)\} \end{pmatrix}.$$
(3.2)

A BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  of a *BCI*-algebra X is said to be *closed* if

$$(\forall x \in X) \begin{pmatrix} M_A(0 * x) \ge M_A(x) \\ B_A^-(0 * x) \le B_A^-(x) \\ B_A^+(0 * x) \ge B_A^+(x) \\ J_A(0 * x) \le J_A(x) \end{pmatrix}.$$
(3.3)

**Example 3.2.** Consider a set  $X = \{0, 1, 2, a\}$  with the binary operation \* which is given in Table 1. Then

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

Table 1: Cayley table for the binary operation "\*"

(X; \*, 0) is a *BCI*-algebra (see [3]). Let  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  be an MBJ-neutrosophic set in X defined by Table 2. It is routine to verify that  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a closed MBJ-neutrosophic ideal of X.

X	$M_A(x)$	$ ilde{B}_A(x)$	$J_A(x)$
0	0.7	[0.02, 0.08]	0.2
1	0.5	[0.02, 0.06]	0.2
2	0.4	[0.02, 0.06]	0.7
a	0.3	[0.02, 0.06]	0.7

Table 2: MBJ-neutrosophic set  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$ 

**Proposition 3.3.** Let X be a BCK/BCI-algebra. Then every BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  of X satisfies the following assertion.

$$x * y \leq z \implies \begin{cases} M_A(x) \geq \min\{M_A(y), M_A(z)\}, \\ B_A^-(x) \leq \max\{B_A^-(y), B_A^-(z)\}, \\ B_A^+(x) \geq \min\{B_A^+(y), B_A^+(z)\}, \\ J_A(x) \leq \max\{J_A(y), J_A(z)\} \end{cases}$$
(3.4)

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

 $\textit{Proof.} \ \text{Let} \ x,y,z \in X \text{ be such that } x*y \leq z. \text{ Then}$ 

$$M_A(x * y) \ge \min\{M_A((x * y) * z), M_A(z)\} = \min\{M_A(0), M_A(z)\} = M_A(z),$$

$$B_A^-(x*y) \le \max\{B_A^-((x*y)*z), B_A^-(z)\} = \max\{B_A^-(0), B_A^-(z)\} = B_A^-(z),$$

$$B_A^+(x*y) \ge \min\{B_A^+((x*y)*z), B_A^+(z)\} = \min\{B_A^+(0), B_A^+(z)\} = B_A^+(z),$$

and

$$J_A(x * y) \le \max\{J_A((x * y) * z), J_A(z)\} = \max\{J_A(0), J_A(z)\} = J_A(z).$$

It follows that

$$M_A(x) \ge \min\{M_A(x * y), M_A(y)\} = \min\{M_A(y), M_A(z)\},$$

$$B_{A}^{-}(x) \le \max\{B_{A}^{-}(x * y), B_{A}^{-}(y)\} = \max\{B_{A}^{-}(y), B_{A}^{-}(z)\},\$$

$$B_A^+(x) \ge \min\{B_A^+(x*y), B_A^+(y)\} = \min\{B_A^+(y), B_A^+(z)\},\$$

and

$$J_A(x) \le \max\{J_A(x * y), J_A(y)\} = \max\{J_A(y), J_A(z)\}$$

This completes the proof.

We provide conditions for an MBJ-neutrosophic set to be a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal in BCK/BCI-algebras.

**Theorem 3.4.** Every MBJ-neutrosophic set in a BCK/BCI-algebra X satisfying (3.1) and (3.4) is a BMBJneutrosophic ideal of X.

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  be an MBJ-neutrosophic set in X satisfying (3.1) and (3.4). Note that  $x * (x * y) \le y$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . It follows from (3.4) that

 $M_A(x) \ge \min\{M_A(x*y), M_A(y)\},\$  $B_A^-(x) \le \max\{B_A^-(x*y), B_A^-(y)\},\$  $B_A^+(x) \ge \min\{B_A^+(x*y), B_A^+(y)\},\$ 

and

$$J_A(x) \le \max\{J_A(x * y), J_A(y)\}.$$

Therefore  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of X.

Given an MBJ-neutrosophic set  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  in a BCK/BCI-algebra X, we consider the following sets.

$$U(M_A; t) := \{ x \in X \mid M_A(x) \ge t \}, L(B_A^-; \alpha^-) := \{ x \in X \mid B_A^-(x) \le \alpha^- \}, U(B_A^+; \alpha^+) := \{ x \in X \mid B_A^+(x) \ge \alpha^+ \}, L(J_A; s) := \{ x \in X \mid J_A(x) \le s \}$$

where  $t, s, \alpha^{-}, \alpha^{+} \in [0, 1]$ .

**Theorem 3.5.** An MBJ-neutrosophic set  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  in a BCK/BCI-algebra X is an MBJ-neutrosophic ideal of X if and only if the non-empty sets  $U(M_A; t)$ ,  $L(B_A^-; \alpha^-)$ ,  $U(B_A^+; \alpha^+)$  and  $L(J_A; s)$  are ideals of X for all  $t, s, \alpha^-.\alpha^+ \in [0, 1]$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is an MBJ-neutrosophic ideal of X. Let  $t, s, \alpha^-, \alpha^+ \in [0, 1]$  be such that  $U(M_A; t), L(B_A^-; \alpha^-), U(B_A^+; \alpha^+)$  and  $L(J_A; s)$  are non-empty. Obviously,  $0 \in U(M_A; t) \cap L(B_A^-; \alpha^-) \cap U(B_A^+; \alpha^+) \cap L(J_A; s)$ . For any  $x, y, a, b, p, q, u, v \in X$ , if  $x * y \in U(M_A; t), y \in U(M_A; t), a * b \in L(B_A^-; \alpha^-)$ ,  $b \in L(B_A^-; \alpha^-), p * q \in U(B_A^+; \alpha^+), q \in U(B_A^+; \alpha^+), u * v \in L(J_A; s)$  and  $v \in L(J_A; s)$ , then

$$M_{A}(x) \ge \min\{M_{A}(x * y), M_{A}(y)\} \ge \min\{t, t\} = t, B_{A}^{-}(a) \le \max\{B_{A}^{-}(a * b), B_{A}^{-}(b)\} \le \max\{\alpha^{-}, \alpha^{-}\} = \alpha^{-}, B_{A}^{+}(p) \ge \min\{B_{A}^{+}(p * q), B_{A}^{+}(q)\} \ge \min\{\alpha^{+}, \alpha^{+}\} = \alpha^{+}, J_{A}(u) \le \max\{J_{A}(u * v), J_{A}(v)\} \le \min\{s, s\} = s,$$

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and so  $x \in U(M_A; t)$ ,  $a \in L(B_A^-; \alpha^-)$ ,  $p \in U(B_A^+; \alpha^+)$  and  $u \in L(J_A; s)$ . Therefore  $U(M_A; t)$ ,  $L(B_A^-; \alpha^-)$ ,  $U(B_A^+; \alpha^+)$  and  $L(J_A; s)$  are ideals of X.

Conversely, assume that the non-empty sets  $U(M_A;t)$ ,  $L(B_A^-;\alpha^-)$ ,  $U(B_A^+;\alpha^+)$  and  $L(J_A;s)$  are ideals of X for all  $t, s, \alpha^-, \alpha^+ \in [0, 1]$ . Assume that  $M_A(0) < M_A(a)$ ,  $B_A^-(0) > B_A^-(a)$ ,  $B_A^+(0) < B_A^+(a)$  and  $J_A(0) > J_A(a)$  for some  $a \in X$ . Then  $0 \notin U(M_A; M_A(a)) \cap L(B_A^-; B_A^-(a)) \cap U(B_A^+; B_A^+(a)) \cap L(J_A; J_A(a)$ , which is a contradiction. Hence  $M_A(0) \ge M_A(x)$ ,  $B_A^-(0) \le B_A^-(x)$ ,  $B_A^+(0) \ge B_A^+(x)$  and  $J_A(0) \le J_A(x)$ for all  $x \in X$ . If  $M_A(a_0) < \min\{M_A(a_0 * b_0), M_A(b_0)\}$  for some  $a_0, b_0 \in X$ , then  $a_0 * b_0 \in U(M_A; t_0)$ and  $b_0 \in U(M_A; t_0)$  but  $a_0 \notin U(M_A; t_0)$  for  $t_0 := \min\{M_A(a_0 * b_0), M_A(b_0)\}$ . This is a contradiction, and thus  $M_A(a) \ge \min\{M_A(a * b), M_A(b)\}$  for all  $a, b \in X$ . Similarly, we can show that  $J_A(a) \le \max\{J_A(a * b), J_A(b)\}$  for all  $a, b \in X$ . Suppose that  $B_A^-(a_0) > \max\{B_A^-(a_0 * b_0), B_A^-(b_0)\}$  for some  $a_0, b_0 \in X$ . Taking  $\alpha^- = \max\{B_A^-(a_0 * b_0), B_A^-(b_0)\}$  implies that  $a_0 * b_0 \in L(B_A^-; \alpha^-)$  and  $b_0 \in L(B_A^-; \alpha^-)$  but  $a_0 \notin L(B_A^-; \alpha^-)$ . This is a contradiction. Thus  $B_A^-(x) \le \max\{B_A^-(x * y), B_A^-(y)\}$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . Similarly, we obtain  $B_A^+(x) \ge \min\{B_A^+(x * y), B_A^+(y)\}$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . Consequently  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of X.

**Theorem 3.6.** An MBJ-neutrosophic set  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  in a BCK/BCI-algebra X is a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of X if and only if  $(M_A, B_A^-)$  and  $(B_A^+, J_A)$  are intuitionistic fuzzy ideals of X.

Proof. Straightforward.

**Theorem 3.7.** Given an ideal I of a BCK/BCI-algebra X, let  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, B_A, J_A)$  be an MBJ-neutrosophic set in X defined by

$$M_A(x) = \begin{cases} t & \text{if } x \in I, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} B_A^-(x) = \begin{cases} \alpha^- & \text{if } x \in I, \\ 1 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$
$$B_A^+(x) = \begin{cases} \alpha^+ & \text{if } x \in I, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} J_A(x) = \begin{cases} s & \text{if } x \in I, \\ 1 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where  $t, \alpha^+ \in (0, 1]$ ,  $s, \alpha^- \in [0, 1)$ . Then  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of X such that  $U(M_A; t) = L(B_A^-; \alpha^-) = U(B_A^+; \alpha^+) = L(J_A; s) = I$ .

*Proof.* It is clear that  $U(M_A; t) = L(B_A^-; \alpha^-) = U(B_A^+; \alpha^+) = L(J_A; s) = I$ . Let  $x, y \in X$ . If  $x * y \in I$  and  $y \in I$ , then  $x \in I$  and so

$$M_A(x) = t = \min\{M_A(x * y), M_A(y)\}$$
  

$$B_A^-(x) = \alpha^- = \max\{B_A^-(x * y), B_A^-(y)\},$$
  

$$B_A^+(x) = \alpha^+ = \min\{B_A^+(x * y), B_A^+(y)\},$$
  

$$J_A(x) = s = \max\{J_A(x * y), J_A(y)\}.$$

If any one of x \* y and y is contained in I, say  $x * y \in I$ , then  $M_A(x * y) = t$ ,  $B_A^-(x * y) = \alpha^-$ ,  $J_A(x * y) = s$ ,  $M_A(y) = 0$ ,  $B_A^-(y) = 1$ ,  $B_A^+(y) = 0$  and  $J_A(y) = 1$ . Hence

$$M_A(x) \ge 0 = \min\{t, 0\} = \min\{M_A(x * y), M_A(y)\}$$
  

$$B_A^-(x) \le 1 = \max\{B_A^-(x * y), B_A^-(y)\},$$
  

$$B_A^+(x) \ge 0 = \min\{B_A^+(x * y), B_A^+(y)\},$$
  

$$J_A(x) \le 1 = \max\{s, 1\} = \max\{J_A(x * y), J_A(y)\}.$$

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If  $x * y, y \notin I$ , then  $M_A(x * y) = 0 = M_A(y)$ ,  $B_A^-(x * y) = 1 = B_A^-(y)$ ,  $B_A^+(x * y) = 0 = B_A^+(y)$  and  $J_A(x * y) = 1 = J_A(y)$ . It follows that

 $M_A(x) \ge 0 = \min\{M_A(x * y), M_A(y)\}$   $B_A^-(x) \le 1 = \max\{B_A^-(x * y), B_A^-(y)\},$   $B_A^+(x) \ge 0 = \min\{B_A^+(x * y), B_A^+(y)\},$  $J_A(x) \le 1 = \max\{J_A(x * y), J_A(y)\}.$ 

It is obvious that  $M_A(0) \ge M_A(x)$ ,  $B_A^-(0) \le B_A^-(x)$ ,  $B_A^+(0) \ge B_A^+(x)$  and  $J_A(0) \le J_A(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ . Therefore  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of X.

**Theorem 3.8.** For any non-empty subset I of X, let  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, B_A, J_A)$  be an MBJ-neutrosophic set in X which is given in Theorem 3.7. If  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of X, then I is an ideal of X.

*Proof.* Obviously,  $0 \in I$ . Let  $x, y \in X$  be such that  $x * y \in I$  and  $y \in I$ . Then  $M_A(x * y) = t = M_A(y)$ ,  $B_A^-(x * y) = \alpha^- = B_A^-(y)$ ,  $B_A^+(x * y) = \alpha^+ = B_A^+(y)$  and  $J_A(x * y) = s = J_A(y)$ . Thus

 $M_{A}(x) \ge \min\{M_{A}(x * y), M_{A}(y)\} = t,$  $B_{A}^{-}(x) \le \max\{B_{A}^{-}(x * y), B_{A}^{-}(y)\} = \alpha^{-},$  $B_{A}^{+}(x) \ge \min\{B_{A}^{+}(x * y), B_{A}^{+}(y)\} = \alpha^{+},$  $J_{A}(x) \le \max\{J_{A}(x * y), J_{A}(y)\} = s,$ 

and hence  $x \in I$ . Therefore I is an ideal of X.

**Theorem 3.9.** In a BCK-algebra, every BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal is a BMBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra.

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  be a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of a BCK-algebra X. Since  $(x * y) * x \le y$  for all  $x, y \in X$ , it follows from Proposition 3.3 that

 $M_A(x * y) \ge \min\{M_A(x), M_A(y)\},\$  $B_A^-(x * y) \le \max\{B_A^-(x), B_A^-(y)\},\$  $B_A^+(x * y) \ge \min\{B_A^+(x), B_A^+(y)\},\$  $J_A(x * y) \le \max\{J_A(x), J_A(y)\}$ 

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Hence  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a BMBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra of a *BCK*-algebra *X*.  $\Box$ 

The converse of Theorem 3.9 may not be true as seen in the following example.

**Example 3.10.** Consider a *BCK*-algebra  $X = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$  with the binary operation \* which is given in Table 3. Let  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  be an MBJ-neutrosophic set in X defined by Table 4. Then  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a BMBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra of X, but it is not a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of X since

$$B_A^+(1) \not\ge \min\{B_A^+(1*2), B_A^+(2)\}.$$

We provide a condition for a BMBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra to be a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal in a BCK-algebra.

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

Table 3: Cayley table for the binary operation "\*"

Table 4: MBJ-neutrosophic set  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$ 

X	$M_A(x)$	$ ilde{B}_A(x)$	$J_A(x)$
0	0.7	[0.03, 0.08]	0.2
1	0.4	[0.02, 0.06]	0.3
2	0.4	[0.03, 0.08]	0.4
3	0.6	[0.02, 0.06]	0.5

**Theorem 3.11.** Let  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  be a BMBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra of a BCK-algebra X satisfying the condition (3.4). Then  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of X.

*Proof.* For any  $x \in X$ , we get

 $M_A(0) = M_A(x * x) \ge \min\{M_A(x), M_A(x)\} = M_A(x),$ 

 $B_{A}^{-}(0) = B_{A}^{-}(x * x) \le \max\{B_{A}^{-}(x), B_{A}^{-}(x)\} = B_{A}^{-}(x),$ 

$$B_A^+(0) = B_A^+(x * x) \ge \min\{B_A^+(x), B_A^+(x)\} = B_A^+(x),$$

and

$$J_A(0) = J_A(x * x) \le \max\{J_A(x), J_A(x)\} = J_A(x).$$

Since  $x * (x * y) \le y$  for all  $x, y \in X$ , it follows from (3.4) that

 $M_{A}(x) \ge \min\{M_{A}(x * y), M_{A}(y)\},\$  $B_{A}^{-}(x) \le \max\{B_{A}^{-}(x * y), B_{A}^{-}(y)\},\$  $B_{A}^{+}(x) \ge \min\{B_{A}^{+}(x * y), B_{A}^{+}(y)\},\$  $J_{A}(x) \le \max\{J_{A}(x * y), J_{A}(y)\}$ 

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Therefore  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of X.

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Theorem 3.9 is not true in a *BCI*-algebra as seen in the following example.

**Example 3.12.** Let (Y, \*, 0) be a *BCI*-algebra and let  $(\mathbb{Z}, -, 0)$  be an adjoint *BCI*-algebra of the additive group  $(\mathbb{Z}, +, 0)$  of integers. Then  $X = Y \times \mathbb{Z}$  is a *BCI*-algebra and  $I = Y \times \mathbb{N}$  is an ideal of X where  $\mathbb{N}$  is the set of all non-negative integers (see [3]). Let  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  be an MBJ-neutrosophic set in X which is given in Theorem 3.7. Then  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of X by Theorem 3.7. But it is not a BMBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra of X since

$$M_A((0,0) * (0,1)) = M_A((0,-1)) = 0 < t = \min\{M_A((0,0)), M_A(0,1))\},\$$

$$B_{A}^{-}((0,0)*(0,2)) = B_{A}^{-}((0,-2)) = 1 > \alpha^{-} = \max\{B_{A}^{-}((0,0)), B_{A}^{-}(0,2))\},\$$

$$B^+_A((0,0)*(0,2)) = B^+_A((0,-2)) = 0 < \alpha^+ = \min\{B^+_A((0,0)), B^+_A(0,2))\}$$

and/or

$$J_A((0,0) * (0,3)) = J_A((0,-3)) = 1 > s = \max\{J_A((0,0)), J_A(0,3))\}$$

**Definition 3.13.** A BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  of a *BCI*-algebra X is said to be *closed* if

$$(\forall x \in X)(M_A(0 * x) \ge M_A(x), B_A^-(0 * x) \le B_A^-(x), B_A^+(0 * x) \ge B_A^+(x), J_A(0 * x) \le J_A(x)).$$
(3.5)

**Theorem 3.14.** In a BCI-algebra, every closed BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal is a BMBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra.

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  be a closed BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of a *BCI*-algebra X. Using (3.2), (2.3), (III) and (3.3), we have

$$M_A(x * y) \ge \min\{M_A((x * y) * x), M_A(x)\} = \min\{M_A(0 * y), M_A(x)\} \ge \min\{M_A(y), M_A(x)\}, M_A(x)\} = \min\{M_A(y), M_A(x)\} = \min\{M_A(y)$$

$$B_A^-(x*y) \le \max\{B_A^-((x*y)*x), B_A^-(x)\} = \max\{B_A^-(0*y), B_A^-(x)\} \le \max\{B_A^-(y), B_A^-(x)\},$$

$$B_A^+(x*y) \ge \min\{B_A^+((x*y)*x), B_A^+(x)\} = \min\{B_A^+(0*y), B_A^+(x)\} \ge \min\{B_A^+(y), B_A^+(x)\},$$

and

$$J_A(x * y) \le \max\{J_A((x * y) * x), J_A(x)\} = \max\{J_A(0 * y), J_A(x)\} \le \max\{J_A(y), J_A(x)\}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Hence  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, B_A, J_A)$  is a BMBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra of X.

Theorem 3.15. In a weakly BCK-algebra, every BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal is closed.

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  be a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of a weakly BCK-algebra X. For any  $x \in X$ , we obtain

$$M_A(0 * x) \ge \min\{M_A((0 * x) * x), M_A(x)\} = \min\{M_A(0), M_A(x)\} = M_A(x),$$

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$$B_A^-(0*x) \le \max\{B_A^-((0*x)*x), B_A^-(x)\} = \max\{B_A^-(0), B_A^-(x)\} = B_A^-(x),$$

$$B_A^+(0*x) \ge \min\{B_A^+((0*x)*x), B_A^+(x)\} = \min\{B_A^+(0), B_A^+(x)\} = B_A^+(x),$$

$$J_A(0 * x) \le \max\{J_A((0 * x) * x), J_A(x)\} = \max\{J_A(0), J_A(x)\} = J_A(x).$$

Therefore  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a closed BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of X.

**Corollary 3.16.** In a weakly BCK-algebra, every BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal is a BMBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra.

The following example shows that any BMBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra is not a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal in a *BCI*-algebra.

**Example 3.17.** Consider a *BCI*-algebra  $X = \{0, a, b, c, d, e\}$  with the \*-operation in Table 5.

*	0	a	b	С	d	e
0	0	0	С	b	С	c
a	a	0	c	b	c	c
b	b	b	0	c	0	0
c	c	c	b	0	b	b
d	d	b	a	c	0	a
e	e	b	a	С	a	0

Table 5: Cayley table for the binary operation "\*"

Let  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  be an MBJ-neutrosophic set in X defined by Table 6.

Table 6: MBJ-neutrosophic set  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$ 

X	$M_A(x)$	$ ilde{B}_A(x)$	$J_A(x)$
0	0.7	[0.14, 0.19]	0.3
a	0.4	[0.04, 0.45]	0.6
b	0.7	[0.14, 0.19]	0.3
c	0.7	[0.14, 0.19]	0.3
d	0.4	[0.04, 0.45]	0.6
e	0.4	[0.04, 0.45]	0.6

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It is routine to verify that  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a BMBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra of X. But it is not a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of X since

 $M_A(d) < \min\{M_A(d * c), M_A(c)\},\$  $B_A^-(d) > \max\{B_A^-(d * c), B_A^-(c)\},\$  $B_A^+(d) < \min\{B_A^+(d * c), B_A^+(c)\},\$ 

and/or

$$J_A(d) > \max\{J_A(d * c), J_A(c)\}$$

**Theorem 3.18.** In a p-semisimple BCI-algebra X, the following are equivalent.

(1)  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a closed BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of X.

(2)  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a BMBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra of X.

*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). See Theorem 3.14.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). Suppose that  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a BMBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra of X. For any  $x \in X$ , we get

 $M_A(0) = M_A(x * x) \ge \min\{M_A(x), M_A(x)\} = M_A(x),$ 

 $B_{A}^{-}(0) = B_{A}^{-}(x * x) \le \max\{B_{A}^{-}(x), B_{A}^{-}(x)\} = B_{A}^{-}(x),$ 

 $B_A^+(0) = B_A^+(x * x) \ge \min\{B_A^+(x), B_A^+(x)\} = B_A^+(x),$ 

and

$$J_A(0) = J_A(x * x) \le \max\{J_A(x), J_A(x)\} = J_A(x).$$

Hence  $M_A(0*x) \ge \min\{M_A(0), M_A(x)\} = M_A(x), B_A^-(0*x) \le \max\{B_A^-(0), B_A^-(x)\} = B_A^-(x) B_A^+(0*x) \ge \min\{B_A^+(0), B_A^+(x)\} = B_A^+(x) \text{ and } J_A(0*x) \le \max\{J_A(0), J_A(x)\} = J_A(x) \text{ for all } x \in X. \text{ Let } x, y \in X.$ Then

$$M_A(x) = M_A(y * (y * x)) \ge \min\{M_A(y), M_A(y * x)\}$$
  
= min{ $M_A(y), M_A(0 * (x * y))$ }  
 $\ge \min\{M_A(x * y), M_A(y)\},$ 

$$B_{A}^{-}(x) = B_{A}^{-}(y * (y * x)) \le \max\{B_{A}^{-}(y), B_{A}^{-}(y * x)\}$$
  
= max{ $B_{A}^{-}(y), B_{A}^{-}(0 * (x * y))$ }  
 $\le \max\{B_{A}^{-}(x * y), B_{A}^{-}(y)\}$ 

$$B_{A}^{+}(x) = B_{A}^{+}(y * (y * x)) \ge \min\{B_{A}^{+}(y), B_{A}^{+}(y * x)\}$$
  
= min{ $B_{A}^{+}(y), B_{A}^{+}(0 * (x * y))$ }  
 $\ge \min\{B_{A}^{+}(x * y), B_{A}^{+}(y)\}$ 

$$J_A(x) = J_A(y * (y * x)) \le \max\{J_A(y), J_A(y * x)\} = \max\{J_A(y), J_A(0 * (x * y))\} \le \max\{J_A(x * y), J_A(y)\}.$$

Therefore  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a closed BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of X.

Since every associative *BCI*-algebra is *p*-semisimple, we have the following corollary.

**Corollary 3.19.** In an associative BCI-algebra X, the following are equivalent.

- (1)  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a closed BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of X.
- (2)  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a BMBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra of X.

**Definition 3.20.** Let X be an (S)-BCK-algebra. An MBJ-neutrosophic set  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  in X is called a BMBJ-neutrosophic  $\circ$ -subalgebra of X if the following assertions are valid.

$$M_{A}(x \circ y) \geq \min\{M_{A}(x), M_{A}(y)\},\B_{A}^{-}(x \circ y) \leq \max\{B_{A}^{-}(x), B_{A}^{-}(y)\},\B_{A}^{+}(x \circ y) \geq \min\{B_{A}^{+}(x), B_{A}^{+}(y)\},\J_{A}(x \circ y) \leq \max\{J_{A}(x), J_{A}(y)\}$$
(3.6)

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

**Lemma 3.21.** Every BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of a BCK/BCI-algebra X satisfies the following assertion.

$$(\forall x, y \in X) \left( x \le y \implies M_A(x) \ge M_A(y), B_A^-(x) \le B_A^-(y), B_A^+(x) \ge B_A^+(y), J_A(x) \le J_A(y) \right).$$
(3.7)

*Proof.* Assume that  $x \leq y$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . Then x \* y = 0, and so

$$M_A(x) \ge \min\{M_A(x * y), M_A(y)\} = \min\{M_A(0), M_A(y)\} = M_A(y),$$

$$B_A^-(x) \le \max\{B_A^-(x*y), B_A^-(y)\} = \max\{B_A^-(0), B_A^-(y)\} = B_A^-(y),$$

$$B_A^+(x) \ge \min\{B_A^+(x*y), B_A^+(y)\} = \min\{B_A^+(0), B_A^+(y)\} = B_A^+(y),$$

and

$$J_A(x) \le \max\{J_A(x*y), J_A(y)\} = \max\{J_A(0), J_A(y)\} = J_A(y).$$

This completes the proof.

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**Theorem 3.22.** In an (S)-BCK-algebra, every BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal is a BMBJ-neutrosophic  $\circ$ -subalgebra.

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  be a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of an (S)-BCK-algebra X. Note that  $(x \circ y) * x \leq y$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . Using Lemma 3.21 and (3.2) inplies that

$$M_A(x \circ y) \ge \min\{M_A((x \circ y) * x), M_A(x)\} \ge \min\{M_A(y), M_A(x)\},\$$

$$B_{A}^{-}(x \circ y) \le \max\{B_{A}^{-}((x \circ y) * x), B_{A}^{-}(x)\} \le \max\{B_{A}^{-}(y), B_{A}^{-}(x)\},\$$

$$B_A^+(x \circ y) \ge \min\{B_A^+((x \circ y) * x), B_A^+(x)\} \ge \min\{B_A^+(y), B_A^+(x)\},\$$

and

$$J_A(x \circ y) \le \max\{J_A((x \circ y) * x), J_A(x)\} \le \max\{J_A(y), J_A(x)\}.$$

Therefore  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a BMBJ-neutrosophic  $\circ$ -subalgebra of X.

We provide a characterization of a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal in an (S)-BCK-algebra.

**Theorem 3.23.** Let  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  be an MBJ-neutrosophic set in an (S)-BCK-algebra X. Then  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of X if and only if the following assertions are valid.

$$M_A(x) \ge \min\{M_A(y), M_A(z)\}, B_A^-(x) \le \max\{B_A^-(y), B_A^-(z)\}, B_A^+(x) \ge \min\{B_A^+(y), B_A^+(z)\}, J_A(x) \le \max\{J_A(y), J_A(z)\}$$
(3.8)

for all  $x, y, z \in X$  with  $x \leq y \circ z$ .

*Proof.* Assume that  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of X and let  $x, y, z \in X$  be such that  $x \leq y \circ z$ . Using (3.1), (3.2) and Theorem 3.22, we have

$$M_A(x) \ge \min\{M_A(x * (y \circ z)), M_A(y \circ z)\} = \min\{M_A(0), M_A(y \circ z)\} = M_A(y \circ z) \ge \min\{M_A(y), M_A(z)\},$$

$$B_{A}^{-}(x) \leq \max\{B_{A}^{-}(x * (y \circ z)), B_{A}^{-}(y \circ z)\} \\ = \max\{B_{A}^{-}(0), B_{A}^{-}(y \circ z)\} \\ = B_{A}^{-}(y \circ z) \leq \max\{B_{A}^{-}(y), B_{A}^{-}(z)\},$$

$$B_A^+(x) \ge \min\{B_A^+(x * (y \circ z)), B_A^+(y \circ z)\} = \min\{B_A^+(0), B_A^+(y \circ z)\} = B_A^+(y \circ z) \ge \min\{B_A^+(y), B_A^+(z)\},$$

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$$J_A(x) \le \max\{J_A(x * (y \circ z)), J_A(y \circ z)\} = \max\{J_A(0), J_A(y \circ z)\} = J_A(y \circ z) \le \max\{J_A(y), J_A(z)\}.$$

Conversely, let  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  be an MBJ-neutrosophic set in an (S)-BCK-algebra X satisfying the condition (3.8) for all  $x, y, z \in X$  with  $x \leq y \circ z$ . Sine  $0 \leq x \circ x$  for all  $x \in X$ , it follows from (3.8) that

 $M_A(0) \ge \min\{M_A(x), M_A(x)\} = M_A(x),$  $B_A^-(0) \le \max\{B_A^-(x), B_A^-(x)\} = B_A^-(x),$  $B_A^+(0) \ge \min\{B_A^+(x), B_A^+(x)\} = B_A^+(x),$ 

and

$$J_A(0) \le \max\{J_A(x), J_A(x)\} = J_A(x).$$

Note that  $x \leq (x * y) \circ y$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . Hence we have

$$M_A(x) \ge \min\{M_A(x * y), M_A(y)\}, B_A^-(x) \le \max\{B_A^-(x * y), B_A^-(y)\}, B_A^+(x) \ge \min\{B_A^+(x * y), B_A^+(y)\} \text{ and } J_A(x) \le \max\{J_A(x * y), J_A(y)\}.$$

Therefore  $\mathcal{A} = (M_A, \tilde{B}_A, J_A)$  is a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal of X.

#### 4 Conclusions

As a generalization of neutrosophic set, Mohseni et al. [9] have introduced the notion of MBJ-neutrosophic sets, and have applied it to BCK/BCI-algebras. BMBJ-neutrosophic set has been introduced in [1] with an application in BCK/BCI-algebras. In this article, we have applied the notion of MBJ-neutrosophic sets to ideals of BCK/BI-algebras. We have introduced the concepts of a BMBJ-neutrosophic  $\circ$ -subalgebra and a (closed) BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal, and have investigated several properties. We have provided conditions for an MBJ-neutrosophic set to be a BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal in BCK/BCI-algebras, and have discussed characterizations of BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal. We have considered relations between a BMBJ-neutrosophic subalgebra, a BMBJ-neutrosophic  $\circ$ -subalgebra and a (closed) BMBJ-neutrosophic ideal. Using the results and ideas in this paper, our future work will focus on the study of several algebraic structures and substructures.

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