# ON KP-RADICAL IN BCI-ALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT. The aim of this paper is to study and investigate some properties of kp-radical in *BCI*-algebras. Moreover, some properties on *BCI*-homomorphism are obtained.

#### 1. Introduction

In [2], the notion of nil radicals in BCI-algebras was introduced and various properties were developed in [3]. Further, several results on nil ideals were obtained in [4;5]. In [6]. Abujabl etc. introduced the concept of k-radical in BCI-algebras and studied some propesties. In this paper, we introduce the concept of kp-radical in BCI-algebras and investigate some properties.

By a BCI-algebra we mean an algebra (X, \*, 0) of type (2, 0) satisfying 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 and y \* x = 0 imply x = y.

A binary relation  $\leq$  on X can be defined by  $x \leq y$  if and only if x \* y = 0. For a *BCI*-algebra X, the *BCK*-part of X is  $X + = \{x \in X \mid 0 * x = 0\}$ . The p-radical of a *BCI*-algebra is the *BCK*-part of X, a *BCI*-algebra is called p-semisimple if its p-radical is  $\{0\}$ .

A nonempty subset S of a BCI-algebra X is called a subalgebra if, for any x and y in  $S, x * y \in S$ . A non-empty subset I of a BCI-algebra X is called an ideal of X if  $0 \in I$ , and if  $x * y \in I, y \in I$  imply that  $x \in I$ . An ideal I of a BCI-algebra X is a closed ideal of X if  $0 * x \in I$  for every  $x \in I$ . A mapping  $f : X \to Y$  of BCI - algebras is called homomorphism if f(x \* y) = f(x) \* f(y) for all  $x, y \in X$ . For any element x, y in a BCI-algebra X, we use  $x * y^k$  to denote the element  $(\cdots ((x * y) * y) \cdots) * y$ , where y occurs k times.

Let S be a nonempty subset of a BCI-algebra X. For any positive integer k,  $\sqrt[k]{S} = \{x \in X \mid 0 * x^k \in S\}$  is called the k-radical of S. It's clear that  $0 \in \sqrt[k]{S}$ . But it is not necessary that  $S = \sqrt[k]{S}$ . Let I be an ideal of a BCI-algebra X. Then I is called a k-semiprime ideal of X if  $I = \sqrt[k]{I}$  for any positive integer k. Some properties of k-radical were studied in [6].

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# 2. Main Results

**Definition 2.1.** Let S be a non-empty subset of a BCI-algebra X. Then, for any positive integer k, we define  $\sqrt[k]{S} = \{x \in X \mid 0 * (0 * x^k) \in S\}$ , which is called the kp-radical of S.

**Theorem 2.2.** Let X be a *BCI*-algebra and I an ideal of X. Then  ${}^{kp}\!/\overline{I}$  is an ideal of X. *Proof.* It's clear that  $0 \in {}^{kp}\!/\overline{I}$ . Let y and  $x * y \in {}^{kp}\!/\overline{I}$ , then  $0 * (0 * y^k) \in I$  and  $0*(0*(x*y)^k) \in I$ . Hence  $(0*(0*x^k))*(0*(0*y^k)) = 0*((0*x^k)*(0*y^k)) = 0*(0*(x*y)^k) \in I$ . Since I is an ideal of X, then  $0 * (0 * x^k) \in I$ , and that  $x \in {}^{kp}\!/\overline{I}$ . Hence I is an ideal of X.

**Proposition 2.3.** Let S be a subalgebra of a *BCI*-algebra X, then  $\sqrt[kp]{S}$  is a subalgebra of X.

*Proof.* Let  $x, y \in \sqrt[kp]{S}$ , then  $0 * (0 * x^k) \in S$  and  $0 * (0 * y^k) \in S$ . Hence  $0 * (0 * (x * y)^k) = (0 * (0 * x^k)) * (0 * (0 * y^k)) \in S$  because S is a subalgera of X. So  $x * y \in \sqrt[kp]{S}$ , and that  $\sqrt[kp]{S}$  is a subalgebra of X.

**Proposition 2.4.** If S is a subalgebra of a BCI-algebra X and  $x \in \sqrt[kp]{S}$ , then  $0 * x \in \sqrt[kp]{S}$ . Proof. Let  $x \in \sqrt[kp]{S}$ , then  $0 * (0 * x^k) \in S$ . Hence  $0 * (0 * (0 * x^k)) \in S$  because S is a subalgebra of X. Therefore  $0 * (0 * (0 * x)^k) = 0 * (0 * (0 * x^k)) \in S$ , and that  $0 * x \in \sqrt[kp]{S}$ .

**Proposition 2.5.** If A is a closed ideal of a *BCI*-algebra X, then  $\sqrt[kp]{A}$  is a closed ideal of X.

It's immediate consequence of Proposition 2.3 and 2.4.

**Theorem 2.6.** If I and J are ideals of a BCI-algebra X, then  $\sqrt[k]{I \cap J} = \sqrt[k]{V} \overline{I} \cap \sqrt[k]{V} \overline{J}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x \in \sqrt[kp]{I \cap J}$ , then  $0 * (0 * x^k) \in I \cap J$ . Thus  $0 * (0 * x^k) \in I$  and  $0 * (0 * x^k) \in J$ , and that  $x \in \sqrt[kp]{I}$  and  $x \in \sqrt[kp]{J}$ . Hence  $x \in \sqrt[kp]{I} \cap \sqrt[kp]{J}$ . Thus  $\sqrt[kp]{I \cap J} = \sqrt[kp]{I} \cap \sqrt[kp]{J}$ . Conversely, let  $x \in \sqrt[kp]{I} \cap \sqrt[kp]{J}$  then  $x \in \sqrt[kp]{I}$  and  $x \in \sqrt[kp]{J}$ , and that  $0 * (0 * x^k) \in I$  and  $0 * (0 * x^k) \in J$ . Hence  $0 * (0 * x^k) \in I \cap J$  and that  $x \in \sqrt[kp]{I \cap J}$ . Thus  $\sqrt[kp]{I} \cap \sqrt[kp]{J} \subseteq \sqrt[kp]{I \cap J}$ . Therefore  $\sqrt[kp]{I} \cap \sqrt[kp]{J} = \sqrt[kp]{I \cap J}$ .

**Theorem 2.7.** Let I and J be two ideal of a BCI-algebra X, then  $\sqrt[kp]{I \cup J} = \sqrt[kp]{I} \cup \sqrt[kp]{J}$ . *Proof.* If  $x \in \sqrt[kp]{I \cup J}$ , then  $0 * (0 * x^k) \in I \cup J$ . Hence  $0 * (0 * x^k) \in I$  or  $0 * (0 * x^k) \in J$ , and that  $0 * (0 * x^k) \in I \cup J$ . Thus  $\sqrt[kp]{I \cup J} = \sqrt[kp]{I} \cup \sqrt[kp]{J}$ . Now, Let  $x \in \sqrt[kp]{I} \cup \sqrt[kp]{J}$ , then  $x \in \sqrt[kp]{I}$  or  $x \in \sqrt[kp]{J}$ . Hence  $0 * (0 * x^k) \in I$  or  $0 * (0 * x^k) \in J$ , and that  $0 * (0 * x^k) \in I \cup J$ . Hence  $x \in \sqrt[kp]{I \cup J}$ , and that  $\sqrt[kp]{I} \cup \sqrt[kp]{J} \subseteq \sqrt[kp]{I \cup J}$ . Therefore  $\sqrt[kp]{I \cup J} = \sqrt[kp]{I} \cup \sqrt[kp]{J}$ .

**Definition 2.8.** An ideal I of a BCI-algebra X is called a kp-semiprime ideal if  $I = \sqrt[k]{I}$ .

**Theorem 2.9.** If I and J are kp-semiprime ideals of a BCI-algebra X, then  $I \cap J$  is a kp-semiprime ideal.

*Proof.* From Theorem 2.6, we obtain  $\sqrt[k^p]{I \cap J} = \sqrt[k^p]{I \cap} \sqrt[k^p]{J}$ . But  $\sqrt[k^p]{I} = I$  and  $\sqrt[k^p]{J} = J$  because I and J are kp-semiprime ideals. Thus  $\sqrt[k^p]{I \cap J} = I \cap J$ , and that  $I \cap J$  is a kp-semiprime ideal.

**Theorem 2.10.** If I and J are kp-semiprime ideals of a BCI- algebra X and  $I \cup J$  is an ideal, then  $I \cup J$  is a kp-semiprime ideal.

*Proof.* From Theorem 2.7, we obtain  $\sqrt[k^p]{I \cap J} = \sqrt[k^p]{I} \cup \sqrt[k^p]{J}$ . But  $\sqrt[k^p]{I} = I$  and  $\sqrt[k^p]{J} = J$  because I and J are kp-semiprime ideals. Thus  $\sqrt[k^p]{I \cup J} = I \cup J$ . and that  $I \cup J$  is a kp-semiprime ideal.

**Lemma 2.11.** If  $f: X \to Y$  is a homomorphism of *BCI*-algebras and *I* is an ideal of *Y*, then  $f^{-1}(I)$  is an ideal of *x*.

Obviously.

**Theorem 2.12.** If  $f: X \to Y$  is a homomorphism of *BCI*-algebras, then, for every ideal I of Y,  $f^{-1}(\sqrt[k_p]{I})$  is an ideal containing  $\sqrt[k_p]{f^{-1}(I)}$ .

*Proof.* If I is an ideal of Y, then  ${}^{k}\!\sqrt{I}$  is an ideal of Y by Theorem 2.2 and  $f^{-1}({}^{k}\!\sqrt{I})$  is an ideal of X by Lemma 2.11. Now Let  $x \in {}^{k}\!\sqrt{f^{-1}(I)}$ , then  $0 * (0 * x^{k}) \in f^{-1}(I)$ . Thus  $f(0 * (0 * x^{k})) \in I$ , and that  $0 * (0 * f(x)^{k}) \in I$ . Thus  $f(x) \in {}^{k}\!\sqrt{I} \subseteq Y$ . Hence  $x \in f^{-1}({}^{k}\!\sqrt{I})$ . Therefore,  ${}^{k}\!\sqrt{f^{-1}(I)} \subseteq f^{-1}({}^{k}\!\sqrt{I})$ .

**Theorem 2.13.** Let  $f: X \to Y$  be an onto homomorphism of *BCI*-algebras. If *I* is an ideal of *X* such that  $kerf \subseteq I$ , then  $f^{-1}(f(I)) = I$ .

*Proof.* Clearly,  $I \subseteq f^{-1}(f(I))$ . Now assume  $x \in f^{-1}(f(I))$ . Then f(x) = f(y) for some  $y \in I$ . So f(x) \* f(y) = 0, and that f(x \* y) = f(x) \* f(y) = 0. Hence  $x * y \in kerf \subseteq I$ . Thus  $x * y \in I$  and  $y \in I$ . Hence  $x \in I$  because I is an ideal of X. So  $f^{-1}(f(I)) \subseteq I$ . Therefore  $f^{-1}(f(I)) = I$ .

**Theorem 2.14.** If  $f: X \to Y$  is a homomorphism of *BCI*-algebras and *I* is an ideal of *X*, then

(i)  $f(\sqrt[k_p]{I}) \subseteq \sqrt[k_p]{(f(I))}$ .

(ii) If  $kerf \subseteq I$ , then  $\sqrt[kp]{f(I)} = f(\sqrt[kp]{I})$ .

*Proof.* (i) If  $y \in f(\sqrt[k]{V}I)$ , then there exists  $x \in \sqrt[k]{V}I$  such that y = f(x). Hence  $x \in X$  and  $0 * (0 * x^k) \in I$ . Thus  $y = f(x) \in f(X)$  and  $f(0 * (0 * x^k)) \in f(I)$ . Hence  $0 * (0 * f(x)^k) = 0 * (0 * f(x^k)) = f(0 * (0 * x^k)) \in f(I)$ . So  $y \in f(x)$  and  $0 * (0 * y^k) \in f(I)$ . Therefore  $y \in \sqrt[k]{f(I)}$ , and that  $f(\sqrt[k]{V}I) \subseteq \sqrt[k]{V}I(I)$ .

(ii) Let  $x \in {}^{kp}\!\!\sqrt{f(I)}$ , then  $x = f(y) \in f(I)$  for some  $y \in X$  and  $0 * (0 * x^k) \in f(I)$ . Thus  $0 * (0 * f(y)^k) \in f(I)$ . And so  $f(0 * (0 * y^k)) \in f(I)$ . Therefore  $0 * (0 * y^k) \in f^{-1}(f(I))$ . But  $kerf \subseteq I$ , and by Theorem 2.13, we have  $I = f^{-1}(f(I))$ . Hence  $0 * (0 * y^k) \in I$ , and that  $y \in {}^{kp}\!\sqrt{I}$ . Thus  $x = f(y) \in f({}^{kp}\!\sqrt{I})$ . Hence  ${}^{kp}\!\sqrt{f(I)} \subseteq f({}^{kp}\!\sqrt{I})$ . Using (i), we obtain  ${}^{kp}\!\sqrt{f(I)} = f({}^{kp}\!\sqrt{I})$ .

Let X and Y be *BCI*-algebras. Define \* on  $X * Y = \{(x,y) \mid x \in X, y \in Y\}$  by (x \* y) \* (u, v) = (x \* u, y \* v) for every  $(x, y), (u, v) \in X * Y$ . Then (X \* Y, \*, (0, 0)) is a *BCI*-algebra.

**Theorem 2.15.** Let S and T be nonempty subsets of BCI-algebras X and Y, respectively, then  $\sqrt[k]{S} * \sqrt[k]{T} = \sqrt[k]{S*T}$ .

*Proof.* Let S and T be nonempty subsets of *BCI*-algebras X and Y, respectively, then  $\sqrt[k]{S*T} = \{(s,t) \in X * Y \mid (0,0) * ((0,0) * (s,t)^k) \in S * T\} = \{(s,t) \in X * Y \mid (0*(0*s^k), 0*(0*t^k)) \in S * T\} = \{(s,t) \in X * Y \mid 0*(0*s^k) \in S, 0*(0*t^k) \in T\} = \{(s,t) \in X * Y \mid s \in \sqrt[k]{S}, t \in \sqrt[k]{T}\} = \sqrt[k]{S} * \sqrt[k]{T}\}.$ 

**Theorem 2.16.** Let I and J be ideals of BCI-algebras X and Y, respectively, then  $X * Y / \sqrt[k]{I * J} \cong X / \sqrt[k]{I * Y} / \sqrt[k]{J}$ .

*Proof.* If I and J are ideals of X and Y, respectively, then  $\sqrt[kp]{I}$  and  $\sqrt[kp]{J}$  are ideals of X and Y, respectively. By [4; Theorem 8],  $\sqrt[kp]{I} * \sqrt[kp]{J}$  is an ideals of X \* Y. Consider the natural homomorphisms

$$\Pi_x: X \to \frac{X}{\sqrt[k_p]{I}} \qquad by \qquad x \mapsto \overline{x}, \ \forall \ x \in X$$

$$\Pi_y: Y \to \frac{Y}{\sqrt[k_p]{J}} \qquad by \qquad y \mapsto \overline{y}, \ \forall \ y \in Y$$

. Clearly,  $\overline{x \ast x'} = \Pi_x(x \ast x') = \Pi_x(x) \ast \Pi_x(x') = \overline{x} \ast \overline{x'}$  and  $\overline{y \ast y'} = \Pi_y(y \ast y') = \Pi_y(y) \ast \Pi_y(y') = \overline{y} \ast \overline{y'}$  for  $x, x' \in X$  and  $y, y' \in Y$ . Define  $f : X \ast Y \to \frac{X}{k \sqrt[p]{I}} \ast \frac{Y}{k \sqrt[p]{I}}$  by  $(x, y) \mapsto (\Pi_x(x), \Pi_y(y)) = (\overline{x}, \overline{y})$  for every  $(x, y) \in X \ast Y$ .

Let  $(x, y), (u, v) \in X * Y$  such that (x, y) = (u, v), then  $(\overline{x}, \overline{y}) = (\overline{u}, \overline{v})$  and that f((x, y)) = f((u, v)). Therefore, f is a well-defined map. Also,  $f((x, y) * (u, v)) = f((x * u, y * v)) = (\overline{x * u}, \overline{y * v}) = (\overline{x} * \overline{u}, \overline{y} * \overline{v}) = (\overline{x}, \overline{y}) * (\overline{u}, \overline{v}) = f((x, y)) * f((u, v)).$ 

Therefore, f is a homomorphism. Clearly, f is an onto map. By the homomorphism theorem, we have  $\frac{X*Y}{kerf} \cong \frac{X}{k\sqrt[p]{I}} * \frac{Y}{k\sqrt[p]{J}}$ . Furthermore,  $kerf = \{(x,y) \in X * Y \mid f((x,y)) = (\overline{0},\overline{0})\} = \{(x,y) \in X * Y \mid (\overline{x},\overline{y}) = (\overline{0},\overline{0})\} = \{(x,y) \in X * Y \mid \overline{x} = \overline{0}, \overline{y} = \overline{0}\} = \{(x,y) \in X * Y \mid \overline{x} \in \sqrt[kp]{I}, y \in \sqrt[kp]{I}\} = \sqrt[kp]{I} * \sqrt[kp]{J} = \sqrt[kp]{I} * \sqrt[kp]{J} = \sqrt[kp]{I} * \sqrt{J}$  by Theorem 2.15. Therefore,  $\frac{X*Y}{k\sqrt[kp]{I+J}} \cong \frac{X}{k\sqrt[kp]{I}} * \frac{Y}{k\sqrt[kp]{J}}$ .

**Theorem 2.17.** An ideal I of a BCI-algebra X is a kp-semiprime ideal if and only if X/I has no non-zero nilpotent elements of index k.

*Proof.* Let I be a kp-semiprime ideal and let  $\overline{a} \in X/I = X/\sqrt[k^p]{I}$  be a nilpotent element of index k. Then  $\overline{0} * (\overline{0} * \overline{a}^k) = \overline{0}$  and so  $\overline{0 * (0 * a^k)} = \overline{0}$ . Thus  $0 * (0 * a^k) \in I$ . Therefore,  $a \in \sqrt[k^p]{I}$ . But  $I = \sqrt[k^p]{I}$  because I is a kp-semiprime ideal. Hence  $a \in I$  and so  $\overline{a} = \overline{0}$ . Therefore, any nilpotent elements of index k in X/I is zero.

Conversely, we have  $\sqrt[k]{VI} \subseteq I$ . Let  $\overline{a} \in X/I$  be a nilpotent element of index k. Then  $\overline{a} = \overline{0}$ , and hence,  $a \in I$ . Moreover,  $\overline{0} * (\overline{0} * \overline{a^k}) = 0$  and so  $\overline{0 * (0 * a^k)} = \overline{0}$ . Thus  $0 * (0 * a^k) \in I$  and so  $a \in \sqrt[k]{I}$ . Hence  $I \subseteq \sqrt[k]{VI}$ , and that I is a kp-semiprime ideal.

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