

CLOSED FILTERS IN CI -ALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we first introduce the notion of closed filters in CI -algebras. Next we provide some properties of closed filters. Finally we investigate how to generate a closed filter by a subset in a transitive CI -algebra.

1 Introduction

The study of BCK/BCI -algebras was initiated by K. Iséki in 1966 as a generalization of propositional logic (see [4, 5, 6]). There exist several generalizations of BCK/BCI -algebras, as such BCH -algebras [3], dual BCK -algebras [12], d -algebras [11], etc. Especially, H. S. Kim and Y. H. Kim [7] introduced the notion of BE -algebras which was deeply studied by S. S. Ahn and Y. H. Kim [1], S. S. Ahn and K. S. So [2], H. S. Kim and K. J. Lee [8], A. Walendziak [13] and B.L.Meng [10]. As a generalization of BE -algebras and dual $BCK/BCI/BCH$ -algebras (see [12] and [9], respectively), B. L. Meng [9] introduced the notion of CI -algebras and studies its elementary properties. In this paper we continue to study the filter theory of CI -algebras. We first introduce the notion of closed filters in CI -algebras. Next we provide some properties of closed filters. Finally we investigate how to generate a closed filter by a subset in a transitive CI -algebra. In the sequel, let \mathbb{N} be the set of all positive integers, \mathbb{Z} the set of all integers. The definitions and technologies used in this paper are standard.

2 Preliminaries

Definition 2.1[9]. An algebra $(X; *, 1)$ of type $(2,0)$ is said to be a CI -algebra if it satisfies the following:

- (CI1) $x * x = 1$,
- (CI2) $1 * x = x$,
- (CI3) $x * (y * z) = y * (x * z)$.

The set $B(X) = \{x \in X \mid x * 1 = 1\}$ is called the BE -part of X .

A CI -algebra X is said to be a BE -algebra if $B(X) = X$ [7].

In a CI -algebra, one can introduce a binary relation \leq by $x \leq y$ if and only if $x * y = 1$.

Lemma 2.2[9]. If $(X; *, 1)$ is a CI -algebra, then for all $x, y \in X$

- (1) $(x * y) * 1 = (x * 1) * (y * 1)$,
- (2) $x * [(x * y) * y] = 1$,
- (3) $1 * x = 1$ (or equivalently, $1 \leq x$) implies $x = 1$.

Definition 2.3. A CI -algebra X is said to be *transitive* [1] if for all $x, y, z \in X$, $(y * z) * [(x * y) * (x * z)] = 1$, or equivalently, $y * z \leq (x * y) * (x * z)$.

Lemma 2.4. If a CI -algebra X is transitive then for all $x, y, z \in X$,

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- (1) $y \leq z$ implies $x * y \leq x * z$,
 (2) $y \leq z$ implies $z * x \leq y * x$.

Proof. It is easy and omitted.

Definition 2.5[9]. Let X be a CI -algebra and F a nonempty subset of X . F is said to be a filter of X if it satisfies: (F1) $1 \in F$, (F2) $x \in F$ and $x * y \in F$ imply $y \in F$. F is said to be a subalgebra of X if for all $x, y \in F$, $x * y \in F$.

Lemma 2.6. Let X be a CI -algebra and F a filter of X . If $x * y = 1$ (or equivalently $x \leq y$) and $x \in F$, then $y \in F$.

Proof. Trivial.

3 Closed Filters in CI -algebras

Definition 3.1. A filter F in a CI -algebra X is said to be *closed* if $x \in F$ implies $x * 1 \in F$.

Example 3.2. Let X be the set of all positive real numbers, \div the usual division. Define $x * y = y \div x$. It is easy to verify that $(X; *, 1)$ is a CI -algebra, $F = \{2^n | n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ is a closed filter of X , $F = \{2^n | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a filter of X but F is not closed.

Proposition 3.3. Every filter of a BE -algebra is closed.

Proof. Trivial.

Proposition 3.4. Every filter of a finite CI -algebra is closed.

Proof. Suppose $(X; *, 1)$ is a finite CI -algebra, $|X| = n$. Let F be any filter of X . Take any $a \in F$, in the following $n + 1$ elements:

$$1, a * 1, \dots, \underbrace{a * (\dots * (a * 1) \dots)}_n,$$

there are at least two elements to be equal, for instance,

$$\underbrace{a * (\dots * (a * 1) \dots)}_l = \underbrace{a * (\dots * (a * 1) \dots)}_k$$

where $0 \leq l < k \leq n$, when $l = 0$, $\underbrace{a * (\dots * (a * 1) \dots)}_l = 1$. Hence

$$\underbrace{a * (\dots * (a * 1) \dots)}_{k-l} = 1 \in F,$$

and so $a * 1 \in F$. This completes the proof.

Proposition 3.5. A filter of a CI -algebra X is closed if and only if it is a subalgebra of X .

Proof. Suppose a filter F of X is closed and $x, y \in F$. Because $x * (y * x) = y * 1 \in F$, it follows from (F2) that $y * x \in F$. This shows that F is a subalgebra of X .

Conversely suppose a filter F of X is a subalgebra of X . For all $x \in F$, it follows from $1 \in F$ that $x * 1 \in F$, so F is closed. This completes the proof.

Proposition 3.6. The BE -part $B(X)$ of a CI -algebra X is a closed filter of X .

Proof Obviously $1 \in B(X)$. If $x * y \in B(X)$ and $x \in B(X)$, then $x * 1 = 1$ and $(x * y) * 1 = 1$. By Lemma 2.2(1) we have

$$y * 1 = 1 * (y * 1) = (x * 1) * (y * 1) = (x * y) * 1 = 1.$$

This shows that $B(X)$ is a filter of X . If $x \in B(X)$, then $x * 1 = 1 \in B(X)$. Therefore $B(X)$ is a closed filter of X .

Corollary 3.7. Let $(X; *, 1)$ be a BE -algebra and $a \notin X$. We define the operation $*$ on $X \cup \{a\}$ as follows

$$x * y = \begin{cases} x *' y & \text{if } x, y \in X, \\ a & \text{if } x = a \text{ and } y \neq a, \\ a & \text{if } x \neq a \text{ and } y = a, \\ 1 & \text{if } x = y = a \end{cases}$$

then $(X \cup \{a\}; *, 1)$ is a CI -algebra[9]. Since $B(X \cup \{a\}) = X$, it follows that X is a closed filter of $X \cup \{a\}$

4 Closed filter generated by a subset

In this section we discuss one of algebraic basic problems: how to generate a closed filter by a subset of a CI -algebra X . For short, denote $x^0 = x * 1$. For any $a_1, \dots, a_n, x \in X$, we define

$$\prod_{i=1}^n a_i * x = a_n * (\dots * (a_1 * x) \dots).$$

Obviously, for any $a_1, \dots, a_n, b_1, \dots, b_m \in X$ we have

$$\prod_{j=1}^m b_j * (\prod_{i=1}^n a_i * x) = \prod_{i=1}^n a_i * (\prod_{j=1}^m b_j * x).$$

Definition 4.1 Let A be a subset of a CI -algebra X . If F is the least closed filter of X containing A , then F is said to be a closed filter generated by A . For simplicity, we denote $F = (A]_c$. For a finite subset $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$, we note $(\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}]_c = (a_1, \dots, a_n]_c$.

This definition is well-defined because the intersection of any nonempty family of closed filters of X is a closed filter of X .

Proposition 4.2. Suppose that A and B are subsets of X .

- (1) If A is a closed filter of X then $(A]_c = A$.
- (2) $A \subseteq B$ implies $(A]_c \subseteq (B]_c$.
- (3) $(X]_c = X$.
- (4) $(1]_c = \{1\}$.

Proof Trivial.

Proposition 4.3 Let A be a nonempty subset of a transitive CI -algebra X . If a subset F of X is defined as follows:

$$F = \left\{ x \in X \mid \prod_{j=1}^m b_j^0 * \left(\prod_{i=1}^n a_i * x \right) = 1 \text{ for some } a_1, \dots, a_n, b_1, \dots, b_m \in A \right\},$$

then $I = (A]_c$.

Proof Since $x * x = 1$ for any $x \in A$, it follows that $x \in F$. This shows $A \subseteq F$.

Select $x_0 \in A$. Because $(x_0 * 1) * (x_0 * 1) = 1$, we have $1 \in F$.

If $y * x \in F$ and $y \in F$, then there are

$$a_1, \dots, a_n, b_1, \dots, b_m, c_1, \dots, c_k, d_1, \dots, d_l \in A$$

such that

$$\prod_{j=1}^m b_j^0 * \left(\prod_{i=1}^n a_i * (y * x) \right) = 1,$$

$$\prod_{j=1}^l d_j^0 * \left(\prod_{i=1}^k c_i * y \right) = 1.$$

Thus we have

$$y \leq \prod_{j=1}^m b_j^0 * \left(\prod_{i=1}^n a_i * x \right).$$

Successively $*$ -multiplying the above inequality on the left-hand side by

$$c_1, \dots, c_k, d_1^0, \dots, d_l^0$$

gives the following

$$1 = \prod_{j=1}^l d_j^0 * \left(\prod_{i=1}^k c_i * y \right) \leq \prod_{j=1}^l d_j^0 * \left(\prod_{i=1}^k c_i * \left(\prod_{j=1}^m b_j^0 * \left(\prod_{i=1}^n a_i * x \right) \right) \right).$$

By lemma 2.2(3) we have

$$\prod_{j=1}^l d_j^0 * \left(\prod_{i=1}^k c_i * \left(\prod_{j=1}^m b_j^0 * \left(\prod_{i=1}^n a_i * x \right) \right) \right) = 1,$$

and so $x \in F$. This proves that F is a filter of X .

If $x \in F$, then there are $a_1, \dots, a_n, b_1, \dots, b_m \in A$ such that

$$\prod_{j=1}^m b_j^0 * \left(\prod_{i=1}^n a_i * x \right) = 1.$$

By $*$ -multiplying the above equality on the right-hand side by 1 we obtain

$$\prod_{j=1}^m ((b_j * 1) * 1) * \left(\prod_{i=1}^n a_i^0 * (x * 1) \right) = 1.$$

Since $b_i \leq (b_i * 1) * 1 (i = 1, \dots, m)$, it follows that

$$\prod_{j=1}^m b_j * \left(\prod_{i=1}^n a_i^0 * (x * 1) \right) = 1.$$

Hence $x * 1 \in F$, and F is a closed filter of X .

Now let B be any closed filter of X and $A \subseteq B$. For any $x \in F$, there are $a_1, \dots, a_n, b_1, \dots, b_m \in A$ such that

$$\prod_{j=1}^m b_j^0 * \left(\prod_{i=1}^n a_i * x \right) = 1.$$

Observing that $A \subseteq B$ implies $a_1, \dots, a_n, b_1, \dots, b_m \in B$, therefore $x \in B$. This proves that $F \subseteq B$, i.e., $F = (A]_c$. The proof is complete.

Corollary 4.4. Let X be a transitive *CI*-algebra. Then a nonempty subset F of X is a closed filter of X if and only if F satisfies

(*) for all $a_1, \dots, a_n, b_1, \dots, b_m \in F$,

$$\prod_{j=1}^m b_j^0 * \left(\prod_{i=1}^n a_i * x \right) = 1 \text{ implies } x \in F.$$

Proof. Suppose F is a closed filter of X , then $F = (F]_c$. If $x \in X$ satisfies for some $a_1, \dots, a_n, b_1, \dots, b_m \in F$,

$$\prod_{j=1}^m b_j^0 * \left(\prod_{i=1}^n a_i * x \right) = 1,$$

it follows from Proposition 4.3 that $x \in (F]_c$. Hence $x \in F$.

Conversely suppose F satisfies (*). It follows from Proposition 4.3 that $(F]_c \subseteq F$. Also, $F \subseteq (F]_c$ is obvious. Hence $(F]_c = F$, and F is a closed filter of X . The proof is complete.

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