

## Tri-Endomorphisms on BCH-Algebras

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we use the concept of endomorphisms and bi-endomorphisms as a model to create tri-endomorphisms on of BCH-algebras. We introduce the concepts of left tri-endomorphisms, central tri-endomorphisms, right tri-endomorphisms, and complete tri-endomorphisms of BCH-algebras and provide some properties. In addition, we obtain the properties between those tri-endomorphisms and some subsets of BCH-algebras.

### 1. Introduction

The algebraic structures of BCK-algebras and BCI-algebras were studied by Iséki and his colleague [4, 5]. In 1983, Hu and Li [3] generalized a new class of algebras from BCI-algebras, namely, a BCH-algebra. Next, Bandru and Rafi [1] introduced a new algebra, called a  $G$ -algebra. BCH-algebras are also being studied extensively later, [2, 3].

In this paper, we use the concept of endomorphisms and bi-endomorphisms as a model to create tri-endomorphisms. We introduce the concepts of left tri-endomorphisms, central tri-endomorphisms, right tri-endomorphisms, and complete tri-endomorphisms of BCH-algebras and provide some properties.

Before studying, we will review the definitions and well-known results.

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**Definition 1.1.** [3] A BCH-algebra is a non-empty set  $X$  with an element  $0$  and a binary operation  $*$  satisfying the following conditions:

$$(BCH1) (\forall x \in X)(x * x = 0),$$

$$(BCH2) (\forall x, y \in X)(x * y = 0, y * x = 0 \Rightarrow x = y),$$

$$(BCH3) (\forall x, y, z \in X)((x * y) * z = (x * z) * y).$$

In a BCH-algebra  $X = (X, *, 0)$ , the binary relation  $\leq$  on  $X$  is defined as follows:

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

**Example 1.1.** Let  $X = \{0, a, b, c\}$  with the following Cayley table as follows:

$*$	0	a	b	c
0	0	0	0	0
a	a	0	c	c
b	b	0	0	b
c	c	0	0	0

Then  $X = (X, *, 0)$  is a BCH-algebra.

**Proposition 1.1.** [2,3] Let  $X = (X, *, 0)$  be a BCH-algebra. Then the following hold: for all  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$(BCH4) (\forall x, y \in X)(x * (x * y) \leq y),$$

$$(BCH5) (\forall x \in X)(x * 0 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0),$$

$$(BCH6) (\forall x, y \in X)(0 * (x * y) = (0 * x) * (0 * y)),$$

$$(BCH7) (\forall x \in X)(x * 0 = x),$$

$$(BCH8) (\forall x, y \in X)((x * y) * x = 0 * y),$$

$$(BCH9) (\forall x, y \in X)(x \leq y \Rightarrow 0 * x = 0 * y).$$

For a BCH-algebra  $X = (X, *, 0)$ , some interesting subsets of  $X$  play a significant role in the investigation of its properties described below.

**Definition 1.2.** A non-empty subset  $Y$  of a BCH-algebra  $X = (X, *, 0)$  is called a subalgebra of  $X$  if  $x * y \in Y$  for all  $x, y \in Y$ . A non-empty subset  $I$  of a BCH-algebra  $X = (X, *, 0)$  is called an ideal of  $X$  if

$$(1) 0 \in I,$$

$$(2) (\forall x, y \in X)(x * y \in I, x \in I \Rightarrow y \in I).$$

## 2. Main results

In this section, we introduce the concepts of left tri-endomorphisms, central tri-endomorphisms, right tri-endomorphisms, and complete tri-endomorphisms of BCH-algebras as follows.

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $X = (X, *, 0)$  be a BCH-algebra. A mapping  $f : X^3 \rightarrow X$  is called

- (1) a left tri-endomorphism on  $X$  if  $(\forall w, x, y, z \in X)(f(x * w, y, z) = f(x, y, z) * f(w, y, z))$ ,
- (2) a central tri-endomorphism on  $X$  if  $(\forall w, x, y, z \in X)(f(x, y * w, z) = f(x, y, z) * f(x, w, z))$ ,
- (3) a right tri-endomorphism on  $X$  if  $(\forall w, x, y, z \in X)(f(x, y, z * w) = f(x, y, z) * f(x, y, w))$ ,
- (4) a complete tri-endomorphism on  $X$  if  $(\forall a, b, c, x, y, z \in X)(f(x * a, y * b, z * c) = f(x, y, z) * f(a, b, c))$ .

**Example 2.1.** In Example 1.1, we define  $f_l : X^3 \rightarrow X$  by

$$f_l(x, y, z) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } y = z = 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then  $f_l$  is a left tri-endomorphism on  $X$ .

**Proposition 2.1.** Let  $X = (X, *, 0)$  be a BCH-algebra and  $f_l$  be a left tri-endomorphism on  $X$ . Then

- (1)  $(\forall y, z \in X)(f_l(0, y, z) = 0)$ ,
- (2)  $(\forall w, x, y, z \in X)(x \leq w \Rightarrow f_l(x, y, z) \leq f_l(w, y, z))$ .

*Proof.* (1) Let  $y, z \in X$ . Then, by BCH1, we have  $f_l(0, y, z) = f_l(0 * 0, y, z) = f_l(0, y, z) * f_l(0, y, z) = 0$ .

(2) Let  $w, x, y, z \in X$  be such that  $x \leq w$ . Then, by (1), we have  $0 = f_l(0, y, z) = f_l(x * w, y, z) = f_l(x, y, z) * f_l(w, y, z)$ . Hence,  $f_l(x, y, z) \leq f_l(w, y, z)$ .  $\square$

Similarly, the properties of central and right tri-endomorphisms are easily obtained.

**Proposition 2.2.** Let  $X = (X, *, 0)$  be a BCH-algebra and  $f_c$  be a central tri-endomorphism on  $X$ .

Then

- (1)  $(\forall x, z \in X)(f_c(x, 0, z) = 0)$ ,
- (2)  $(\forall w, x, y, z \in X)(y \leq w \Rightarrow f_c(x, y, z) \leq f_c(x, w, z))$ .

**Proposition 2.3.** Let  $X = (X, *, 0)$  be a BCH-algebra and  $f_r$  be a right tri-endomorphism on  $X$ . Then

- (1)  $(\forall x, y \in X)(f_r(x, y, 0) = 0)$ ,
- (2)  $(\forall w, x, y, z \in X)(z \leq w \Rightarrow f_r(x, y, z) \leq f_r(x, y, w))$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $X = (X, *, 0)$  be a BCH-algebra and  $f$  be a complete tri-endomorphism on  $X$ .

Then

- (1)  $f(0, 0, 0) = 0$ ,
- (2) if  $S$  is a subalgebra of  $X$ , then  $f(S^3)$  is also a subalgebra of  $X$ ,
- (3) if  $S$  is an ideal of  $X$  and  $f$  is bijective, then  $f(S^3)$  is also an ideal of  $X$ ,
- (4) if  $f$  is a left tri-endomorphism on  $X$ , then  $f(x, y, z) * f(x, 0, 0) = 0$  for any  $x, y, z \in X$ ,
- (5) if  $f$  is a central tri-endomorphism on  $X$ , then  $f(x, y, z) * f(0, y, 0) = 0$  for any  $x, y, z \in X$ ,
- (6) if  $f$  is a right tri-endomorphism on  $X$ , then  $f(x, y, z) * f(0, 0, z) = 0$  for any  $x, y, z \in X$ ,

(7) if  $f$  is a left and right (central and right, left and central) tri-endomorphism on  $X$ , then  $f(x, y, z) = 0$  for any  $x, y, z \in X$ , i.e.,  $f$  is the zero map.

*Proof.* (1) By BCH1, we have  $f(0, 0, 0) = f(0 * 0, 0 * 0, 0 * 0) = f(0, 0, 0) * f(0, 0, 0) = 0$ .

(2) Suppose that  $S$  is a subalgebra of  $X$ . Let  $a, b \in f(S^3)$ . Then there exist  $(x_1, y_1, z_1), (x_2, y_2, z_2) \in S^3$  such that  $a = f(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $b = f(x_2, y_2, z_2)$ . Thus  $a * b = f(x_1, y_1, z_1) * f(x_2, y_2, z_2) = f(x_1 * x_2, y_1 * y_2, z_1 * z_2) \in f(S^3)$ . Hence,  $f(S^3)$  is a subalgebra of  $X$ .

(3) Suppose that  $S$  is an ideal of  $X$  and  $f$  is bijective. Since  $0 \in S$  and by (1), we have  $0 = f(0, 0, 0) \in f(S^3)$ . Assume that  $x * y \in f(S^3)$  and  $x \in f(S^3)$ . There exist  $(x_1, y_1, z_1), (x_2, y_2, z_2) \in S^3$  such that  $x * y = f(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $x = f(x_2, y_2, z_2)$ . Since  $f$  is surjective, there exists  $(a, b, c) \in X^3$  such that  $y = f(a, b, c)$ . Thus  $f(S^3) \ni f(x_1, y_1, z_1) = x * y = f(x_2, y_2, z_2) * f(a, b, c) = f(x_2 * a, y_2 * b, z_2 * c)$ . Since  $f$  is injective, we have  $x_2 * a, y_2 * b, z_2 * c \in S$ . Since  $S$  is an ideal of  $X$ , we get  $a, b, c \in S$ . Thus  $y = f(a, b, c) \in f(S^3)$ . Hence,  $f(S^3)$  is an ideal of  $X$ .

(4)-(6) It is obvious from Propositions 2.1-2.3.

(7) Suppose that  $f$  is a left and right tri-endomorphism on  $X$ . Let  $x, y, z \in X$ . Then, by Propositions 2.1 and 2.3, BCH1, BCH7  $0 = f(0, y, z) = f(x * x, y * 0, z * 0) = f(x, y, z) * f(x, 0, 0) = f(x, y, z) * 0 = f(x, y, z)$ . Hence,  $f$  is the zero map on  $X$ .  $\square$

Let  $T_l(X)$  (resp.,  $T_c(X)$ ,  $T_r(X)$  and  $T(X)$ ) be the set of all left tri-endomorphisms (resp., right, central and complete tri-endomorphisms) on a BCH-algebra  $X = (X, *, 0)$ . We define an operation  $\star$  on  $T_l(X)$  by  $(\forall x, y, z \in X)((f \star g)(x, y, z) = f(x, y, z) * g(x, y, z))$ . Let  $f \in T_l(X)$  and  $x, y, z \in X$ . Then  $(f \star f)(x, y, z) = f(x, y, z) * f(x, y, z) = 0$ . This means that  $f \star f = 0_X$ , where  $0_X : X^3 \rightarrow X$  is a function that maps all members to 0. Let  $f, g \in T_l(X)$  be such that  $f \star g = 0_X$  and  $g \star f = 0_X$ . Then for all  $x, y, z \in X$ ,  $0 = (f \star g)(x, y, z) = f(x, y, z) * g(x, y, z)$  and  $0 = (g \star f)(x, y, z) = g(x, y, z) * f(x, y, z)$ . Since  $g(x, y, z), f(x, y, z) \in X$ , we have  $f(x, y, z) = g(x, y, z)$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$ . Hence,  $f = g$ . Let  $f, g, h \in T_l(X)$  and  $x, y, z \in X$ . Then  $((f \star g) \star h)(x, y, z) = (f \star g)(x, y, z) * h(x, y, z) = (f(x, y, z) * g(x, y, z)) * h(x, y, z) = (f(x, y, z) * h(x, y, z)) * g(x, y, z) = (f \star h)(x, y, z) * g(x, y, z) = ((f \star h) \star g)(x, y, z)$ . Hence,  $(f \star g) \star h = (f \star h) \star g$ .

**Theorem 2.2.**  $(T_l(X), \star, 0_X), (T_c(X), \star, 0_X), (T_r(X), \star, 0_X)$ , and  $(T(X), \star, 0_X)$  are BCH-algebras.

Let  $X = (X, *, 0)$  be a BCH-algebra. We define the binary operation  $\diamond$  on  $X^3$  as follows:  $(\forall (a, b, c), (x, y, z) \in X^3)((a, b, c) \diamond (x, y, z) = (a * x, b * y, c * z))$ . Then  $X^3 = (X, \diamond, (0, 0, 0))$  is a BCH-algebra.

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $X = (X, *, 0)$  be a BCH-algebra and  $S_1, S_2, S_3$  be subsets of  $X$ . Then

- (1)  $S_1 \times S_2 \times S_3$  is a subalgebra of  $X^3$  if and only if  $S_1, S_2$  and  $S_3$  are subsets of  $X$ ,
- (2)  $S_1 \times S_2 \times S_3$  is an ideal of  $X^3$  if and only if  $S_1, S_2$  and  $S_3$  are ideals of  $X$ .

*Proof.* (1) Suppose that  $S_1 \times S_2 \times S_3$  is a subalgebra of  $X^3$ . Firstly, we will show that  $S_1$  is a subalgebra of  $X$ . Let  $a, b \in S_1$ . Let  $x \in S_2$  and  $u \in S_3$ . Then  $(a, x, u), (b, x, u) \in S_1 \times S_2 \times S_3$ . Thus  $(a * b, 0, 0) = (a * b, x * x, u * u) = (a, x, u) \diamond (b, x, u) \in S_1 \times S_2 \times S_3$ , that is,  $a * b \in S_1$ . Hence,  $S_1$  is a subalgebra of  $X$ . On the other hand, we can show that  $S_2$  and  $S_3$  are subalgebras of  $X$ .

Conversely, let  $(x, y, z), (a, b, c) \in S_1 \times S_2 \times S_3$ . Then  $x * a \in S_1, y * b \in S_2$ , and  $z * c \in S_3$ , so  $(x, y, z) \diamond (a, b, c) = (x * a, y * b, z * c) \in S_1 \times S_2 \times S_3$ . Hence,  $S_1 \times S_2 \times S_3$  is a subalgebra of  $X^3$ .

(2) Suppose that  $S_1 \times S_2 \times S_3$  is an ideal of  $X^3$ . Since  $(0, 0, 0) \in S_1 \times S_2 \times S_3$ , we have  $0 \in S_i$  for all  $i = 1, 2, 3$ . Assume that  $a * x \in S_1$  and  $a \in S_1$ . Let  $b \in S_2$  and  $c \in S_3$ . Then  $(a, b, c) \in S_1 \times S_2 \times S_3$  and  $(x, b, c) \in X^3$ . Thus  $(a, b, c) \diamond (x, b, c) = (a * x, b * b, c * c) = (a * x, 0, 0) \in S_1 \times S_2 \times S_3$ . Since  $S_1 \times S_2 \times S_3$  is an ideal of  $X^3$ , we have  $(x, b, c) \in S_1 \times S_2 \times S_3$ , that is,  $x \in S_1$ . Hence,  $S_1$  is an ideal of  $X$ . Similarly, we can show that  $S_2$  and  $S_3$  are ideals of  $X$ .

Conversely, suppose that  $S_1, S_2$  and  $S_3$  are ideals of  $X$ . Since  $0 \in S_i$  for all  $i = 1, 2, 3$ , we have  $(0, 0, 0) \in S_1 \times S_2 \times S_3$ . Assume that  $(a, b, c) * (x, y, z) \in S_1 \times S_2 \times S_3$  and  $(a, b, c) \in S_1 \times S_2 \times S_3$ . We get  $(a * x, b * y, c * z) \in S_1 \times S_2 \times S_3$ . Since  $a * x, a \in S_1$ , we have  $x \in S_1$ . Moreover, we can obtain that  $y \in S_2$  and  $z \in S_3$ . This implies that  $(x, y, z) \in S_1 \times S_2 \times S_3$ . Hence,  $S_1 \times S_2 \times S_3$  is an ideal of  $X^3$ .  $\square$

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