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# Neutrosophic Quadruple *BCK/BCI*-Algebras

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**Abstract:** The notion of a neutrosophic quadruple *BCK/BCI*-number is considered, and a neutrosophic quadruple *BCK/BCI*-algebra, which consists of neutrosophic quadruple *BCK/BCI*-numbers, is constructed. Several properties are investigated, and a (positive implicative) ideal in a neutrosophic quadruple *BCK*-algebra and a closed ideal in a neutrosophic quadruple *BCI*-algebra are studied. Given subsets  $A$  and  $B$  of a *BCK/BCI*-algebra, the set  $NQ(A, B)$ , which consists of neutrosophic quadruple *BCK/BCI*-numbers with a condition, is established. Conditions for the set  $NQ(A, B)$  to be a (positive implicative) ideal of a neutrosophic quadruple *BCK*-algebra are provided, and conditions for the set  $NQ(A, B)$  to be a (closed) ideal of a neutrosophic quadruple *BCI*-algebra are given. An example to show that the set  $\{\tilde{0}\}$  is not a positive implicative ideal in a neutrosophic quadruple *BCK*-algebra is provided, and conditions for the set  $\{\tilde{0}\}$  to be a positive implicative ideal in a neutrosophic quadruple *BCK*-algebra are then discussed.

**Keywords:** neutrosophic quadruple *BCK/BCI*-number; neutrosophic quadruple *BCK/BCI*-algebra; neutrosophic quadruple subalgebra; (positive implicative) neutrosophic quadruple ideal

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## 1. Introduction

The notion of a neutrosophic set was developed by Smarandache [1–3] and is a more general platform that extends the notions of classic sets, (intuitionistic) fuzzy sets, and interval valued (intuitionistic) fuzzy sets. Neutrosophic set theory is applied to a different field (see [4–8]). Neutrosophic algebraic structures in *BCK/BCI*-algebras are discussed in [9–16]. Neutrosophic quadruple algebraic structures and hyperstructures are discussed in [17,18].

In this paper, we will use neutrosophic quadruple numbers based on a set and construct neutrosophic quadruple *BCK/BCI*-algebras. We investigate several properties and consider ideals and positive implicative ideals in neutrosophic quadruple *BCK*-algebra, and closed ideals in neutrosophic quadruple *BCI*-algebra. Given subsets  $A$  and  $B$  of a neutrosophic quadruple *BCK/BCI*-algebra, we consider sets  $NQ(A, B)$ , which consist of neutrosophic quadruple *BCK/BCI*-numbers with a condition. We provide conditions for the set  $NQ(A, B)$  to be a (positive implicative) ideal of a neutrosophic quadruple *BCK*-algebra and for the set  $NQ(A, B)$  to be a (closed) ideal of a neutrosophic quadruple *BCI*-algebra. We give an example to show that the set  $\{\tilde{0}\}$  is not a positive implicative ideal in a neutrosophic quadruple *BCK*-algebra, and we then consider conditions for the set  $\{\tilde{0}\}$  to be a positive implicative ideal in a neutrosophic quadruple *BCK*-algebra.

## 2. Preliminaries

A BCK/BCI-algebra is an important class of logical algebras introduced by Iséki (see [19,20]).

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

- (I)  $(\forall x, y, z \in X) (((x * y) * (x * z)) * (z * y) = 0)$ ;
- (II)  $(\forall x, y \in X) ((x * (x * y)) * y = 0)$ ;
- (III)  $(\forall x \in X) (x * x = 0)$ ;
- (IV)  $(\forall x, y \in X) (x * y = 0, y * x = 0 \Rightarrow x = y)$ .

If a BCI-algebra  $X$  satisfies the identity

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

then  $X$  is called a BCK-algebra. Any BCK/BCI-algebra  $X$  satisfies the following conditions:

$$(\forall x \in X) (x * 0 = x) \tag{1}$$

$$(\forall x, y, z \in X) (x \leq y \Rightarrow x * z \leq y * z, z * y \leq z * x) \tag{2}$$

$$(\forall x, y, z \in X) ((x * y) * z = (x * z) * y) \tag{3}$$

$$(\forall x, y, z \in X) ((x * z) * (y * z) \leq x * y) \tag{4}$$

where  $x \leq y$  if and only if  $x * y = 0$ . Any BCI-algebra  $X$  satisfies the following conditions (see [21]):

$$(\forall x, y \in X) (x * (x * (x * y)) = x * y), \tag{5}$$

$$(\forall x, y \in X) (0 * (x * y) = (0 * x) * (0 * y)). \tag{6}$$

A BCK-algebra  $X$  is said to be *positive implicative* if the following assertion is valid.

$$(\forall x, y, z \in X) ((x * z) * (y * z) = (x * y) * z). \tag{7}$$

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

$$0 \in I, \tag{8}$$

$$(\forall x \in X) (\forall y \in I) (x * y \in I \Rightarrow x \in I). \tag{9}$$

A subset  $I$  of a BCI-algebra  $X$  is called a *closed ideal* (see [21]) of  $X$  if it is an ideal of  $X$  which satisfies

$$(\forall x \in X) (x \in I \Rightarrow 0 * x \in I). \tag{10}$$

A subset  $I$  of a BCK-algebra  $X$  is called a *positive implicative ideal* (see [22]) of  $X$  if it satisfies (8) and

$$(\forall x, y, z \in X) (((x * y) * z \in I, y * z \in I \Rightarrow x * z \in I). \tag{11}$$

Observe that every positive implicative ideal is an ideal, but the converse is not true (see [22]). Note also that a BCK-algebra  $X$  is positive implicative if and only if every ideal of  $X$  is positive implicative (see [22]).

We refer the reader to the books [21,22] 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.

## 3. Neutrosophic Quadruple BCK/BCI-Algebras

We consider neutrosophic quadruple numbers based on a set instead of real or complex numbers.

**Definition 1.** Let  $X$  be a set. A neutrosophic quadruple  $X$ -number is an ordered quadruple  $(a, xT, yI, zF)$  where  $a, x, y, z \in X$  and  $T, I, F$  have their usual neutrosophic logic meanings.

The set of all neutrosophic quadruple  $X$ -numbers is denoted by  $NQ(X)$ , that is,

$$NQ(X) := \{(a, xT, yI, zF) \mid a, x, y, z \in X\},$$

and it is called the *neutrosophic quadruple set* based on  $X$ . If  $X$  is a BCK/BCI-algebra, a neutrosophic quadruple  $X$ -number is called a *neutrosophic quadruple BCK/BCI-number* and we say that  $NQ(X)$  is the *neutrosophic quadruple BCK/BCI-set*.

Let  $X$  be a BCK/BCI-algebra. We define a binary operation  $\odot$  on  $NQ(X)$  by

$$(a, xT, yI, zF) \odot (b, uT, vI, wF) = (a * b, (x * u)T, (y * v)I, (z * w)F)$$

for all  $(a, xT, yI, zF), (b, uT, vI, wF) \in NQ(X)$ . Given  $a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4 \in X$ , the neutrosophic quadruple BCK/BCI-number  $(a_1, a_2T, a_3I, a_4F)$  is denoted by  $\tilde{a}$ , that is,

$$\tilde{a} = (a_1, a_2T, a_3I, a_4F),$$

and the zero neutrosophic quadruple BCK/BCI-number  $(0, 0T, 0I, 0F)$  is denoted by  $\tilde{0}$ , that is,

$$\tilde{0} = (0, 0T, 0I, 0F).$$

We define an order relation " $\ll$ " and the equality " $=$ " on  $NQ(X)$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{x} \ll \tilde{y} &\Leftrightarrow x_i \leq y_i \text{ for } i = 1, 2, 3, 4 \\ \tilde{x} = \tilde{y} &\Leftrightarrow x_i = y_i \text{ for } i = 1, 2, 3, 4 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y} \in NQ(X)$ . It is easy to verify that " $\ll$ " is an equivalence relation on  $NQ(X)$ .

**Theorem 1.** If  $X$  is a BCK/BCI-algebra, then  $(NQ(X); \odot, \tilde{0})$  is a BCK/BCI-algebra.

**Proof.** Let  $X$  be a BCI-algebra. For any  $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{z} \in NQ(X)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot (\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{z}) &= (x_1 * y_1, (x_2 * y_2)T, (x_3 * y_3)I, (x_4 * y_4)F) \\ &\quad \odot (x_1 * z_1, (x_2 * z_2)T, (x_3 * z_3)I, (x_4 * z_4)F) \\ &= ((x_1 * y_1) * (x_1 * z_1), ((x_2 * y_2) * (x_2 * z_2))T, \\ &\quad ((x_3 * y_3) * (x_3 * z_3))I, ((x_4 * y_4) * (x_4 * z_4))T) \\ &\ll (z_1 * y_1, (z_2 * y_2)T, (z_3 * y_3)I, (z_4 * y_4)F) \\ &= \tilde{z} \odot \tilde{y} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{x} \odot (\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) &= (x_1, x_2T, x_3I, x_4F) \odot (x_1 * y_1, (x_2 * y_2)T, (x_3 * y_3)I, (x_4 * y_4)F) \\ &= (x_1 * (x_1 * y_1), (x_2 * (x_2 * y_2))T, (x_3 * (x_3 * y_3))I, (x_4 * (x_4 * y_4))F) \\ &\ll (y_1, y_2T, y_3I, y_4F) \\ &= \tilde{y} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{x} \odot \tilde{x} &= (x_1, x_2T, x_3I, x_4F) \odot (x_1, x_2T, x_3I, x_4F) \\ &= (x_1 * x_1, (x_2 * x_2)T, (x_3 * x_3)I, (x_4 * x_4)F) \\ &= (0, 0T, 0I, 0F) = \tilde{0}. \end{aligned}$$

Assume that  $\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} = \tilde{0}$  and  $\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x} = \tilde{0}$ . Then

$$(x_1 * y_1, (x_2 * y_2)T, (x_3 * y_3)I, (x_4 * y_4)F) = (0, 0T, 0I, 0F)$$

and

$$(y_1 * x_1, (y_2 * x_2)T, (y_3 * x_3)I, (y_4 * x_4)F) = (0, 0T, 0I, 0F).$$

It follows that  $x_1 * y_1 = 0 = y_1 * x_1$ ,  $x_2 * y_2 = 0 = y_2 * x_2$ ,  $x_3 * y_3 = 0 = y_3 * x_3$  and  $x_4 * y_4 = 0 = y_4 * x_4$ . Hence,  $x_1 = y_1$ ,  $x_2 = y_2$ ,  $x_3 = y_3$ , and  $x_4 = y_4$ , which implies that

$$\tilde{x} = (x_1, x_2T, x_3I, x_4F) = (y_1, y_2T, y_3I, y_4F) = \tilde{y}.$$

Therefore, we know that  $(NQ(X); \odot, \tilde{0})$  is a BCI-algebra. We call it the *neutrosophic quadruple BCI-algebra*. Moreover, if  $X$  is a BCK-algebra, then we have

$$\tilde{0} \odot \tilde{x} = (0 * x_1, (0 * x_2)T, (0 * x_3)I, (0 * x_4)F) = (0, 0T, 0I, 0F) = \tilde{0}.$$

Hence,  $(NQ(X); \odot, \tilde{0})$  is a BCK-algebra. We call it the *neutrosophic quadruple BCK-algebra*. □

**Example 1.** If  $X = \{0, a\}$ , then the neutrosophic quadruple set  $NQ(X)$  is given as follows:

$$NQ(X) = \{\tilde{0}, \tilde{1}, \tilde{2}, \tilde{3}, \tilde{4}, \tilde{5}, \tilde{6}, \tilde{7}, \tilde{8}, \tilde{9}, \tilde{10}, \tilde{11}, \tilde{12}, \tilde{13}, \tilde{14}, \tilde{15}\}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{0} &= (0, 0T, 0I, 0F), \tilde{1} = (0, 0T, 0I, aF), \tilde{2} = (0, 0T, aI, 0F), \tilde{3} = (0, 0T, aI, aF), \\ \tilde{4} &= (0, aT, 0I, 0F), \tilde{5} = (0, aT, 0I, aF), \tilde{6} = (0, aT, aI, 0F), \tilde{7} = (0, aT, aI, aF), \\ \tilde{8} &= (a, 0T, 0I, 0F), \tilde{9} = (a, 0T, 0I, aF), \tilde{10} = (a, 0T, aI, 0F), \tilde{11} = (a, 0T, aI, aF), \\ \tilde{12} &= (a, aT, 0I, 0F), \tilde{13} = (a, aT, 0I, aF), \tilde{14} = (a, aT, aI, 0F), \text{ and } \tilde{15} = (a, aT, aI, aF). \end{aligned}$$

Consider a BCK-algebra  $X = \{0, a\}$  with the binary operation  $*$ , which is given in Table 1.

**Table 1.** Cayley table for the binary operation “\*”.

	*	0	a
0	0	0	0
a	a	a	0

Then  $(NQ(X), \odot, \tilde{0})$  is a BCK-algebra in which the operation  $\odot$  is given by Table 2.

**Table 2.** Cayley table for the binary operation “ $\odot$ ”.

$\odot$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{3}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{5}$	$\tilde{6}$	$\tilde{7}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{9}$	$\tilde{10}$	$\tilde{11}$	$\tilde{12}$	$\tilde{13}$	$\tilde{14}$	$\tilde{15}$
$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$
$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$
$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$
$\tilde{3}$	$\tilde{3}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{3}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{3}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{3}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$
$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$
$\tilde{5}$	$\tilde{5}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{5}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{5}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{5}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$
$\tilde{6}$	$\tilde{6}$	$\tilde{6}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{6}$	$\tilde{6}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$
$\tilde{7}$	$\tilde{7}$	$\tilde{6}$	$\tilde{5}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{3}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{7}$	$\tilde{6}$	$\tilde{5}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{3}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$
$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$
$\tilde{9}$	$\tilde{9}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{9}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{9}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{9}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$
$\tilde{10}$	$\tilde{10}$	$\tilde{10}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{10}$	$\tilde{10}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$

Table 2. Cont.

$\odot$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{3}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{5}$	$\tilde{6}$	$\tilde{7}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{9}$	$\tilde{10}$	$\tilde{11}$	$\tilde{12}$	$\tilde{13}$	$\tilde{14}$	$\tilde{15}$
$\tilde{11}$	$\tilde{11}$	$\tilde{10}$	$\tilde{9}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{11}$	$\tilde{10}$	$\tilde{9}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{3}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{3}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$
$\tilde{12}$	$\tilde{12}$	$\tilde{12}$	$\tilde{12}$	$\tilde{12}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$
$\tilde{13}$	$\tilde{13}$	$\tilde{12}$	$\tilde{13}$	$\tilde{12}$	$\tilde{9}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{9}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{5}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{5}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$
$\tilde{14}$	$\tilde{14}$	$\tilde{14}$	$\tilde{12}$	$\tilde{12}$	$\tilde{10}$	$\tilde{10}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{6}$	$\tilde{6}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{0}$	$\tilde{0}$
$\tilde{15}$	$\tilde{15}$	$\tilde{14}$	$\tilde{13}$	$\tilde{12}$	$\tilde{11}$	$\tilde{10}$	$\tilde{9}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{7}$	$\tilde{6}$	$\tilde{5}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{3}$	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{1}$	$\tilde{0}$

**Theorem 2.** The neutrosophic quadruple set  $NQ(X)$  based on a positive implicative BCK-algebra  $X$  is a positive implicative BCK-algebra.

**Proof.** Let  $X$  be a positive implicative BCK-algebra. Then  $X$  is a BCK-algebra, so  $(NQ(X); \odot, \tilde{0})$  is a BCK-algebra by Theorem 1. Let  $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{z} \in NQ(X)$ . Then

$$(x_i * z_i) * (y_i * z_i) = (x_i * y_i) * z_i$$

for all  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$  since  $x_i, y_i, z_i \in X$  and  $X$  is a positive implicative BCK-algebra. Hence,  $(\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{z}) \odot (\tilde{y} * \tilde{z}) = (\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{z}$ ; therefore,  $NQ(X)$  based on a positive implicative BCK-algebra  $X$  is a positive implicative BCK-algebra.  $\square$

**Proposition 1.** The neutrosophic quadruple set  $NQ(X)$  based on a positive implicative BCK-algebra  $X$  satisfies the following assertions.

$$(\forall \tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{z} \in NQ(X)) (\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} \ll \tilde{z} \Rightarrow \tilde{x} \odot \tilde{z} \ll \tilde{y} \odot \tilde{z}) \tag{12}$$

$$(\forall \tilde{x}, \tilde{y} \in NQ(X)) (\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} \ll \tilde{y} \Rightarrow \tilde{x} \ll \tilde{y}). \tag{13}$$

**Proof.** Let  $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{z} \in NQ(X)$ . If  $\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} \ll \tilde{z}$ , then

$$\tilde{0} = (\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{z} = (\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{z}) \odot (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{z}),$$

so  $\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{z} \ll \tilde{y} \odot \tilde{z}$ . Assume that  $\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} \ll \tilde{y}$ . Using Equation (12) implies that

$$\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} \ll \tilde{y} \odot \tilde{y} = \tilde{0},$$

so  $\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} = \tilde{0}$ , i.e.,  $\tilde{x} \ll \tilde{y}$ .  $\square$

Let  $X$  be a BCK/BCI-algebra. Given  $a, b \in X$  and subsets  $A$  and  $B$  of  $X$ , consider the sets

$$NQ(a, B) := \{(a, aT, yI, zF) \in NQ(X) \mid y, z \in B\}$$

$$NQ(A, b) := \{(a, xT, bI, bF) \in NQ(X) \mid a, x \in A\}$$

$$NQ(A, B) := \{(a, xT, yI, zF) \in NQ(X) \mid a, x \in A; y, z \in B\}$$

$$NQ(A^*, B) := \bigcup_{a \in A} NQ(a, B)$$

$$NQ(A, B^*) := \bigcup_{b \in B} NQ(A, b)$$

and

$$NQ(A \cup B) := NQ(A, 0) \cup NQ(0, B).$$

The set  $NQ(A, A)$  is denoted by  $NQ(A)$ .

**Proposition 2.** Let  $X$  be a BCK/BCI-algebra. Given  $a, b \in X$  and subsets  $A$  and  $B$  of  $X$ , we have

- (1)  $NQ(A^*, B)$  and  $NQ(A, B^*)$  are subsets of  $NQ(A, B)$ .
- (1) If  $0 \in A \cap B$  then  $NQ(A \cup B)$  is a subset of  $NQ(A, B)$ .

**Proof.** Straightforward.  $\square$

Let  $X$  be a BCK/BCI-algebra. Given  $a, b \in X$  and subalgebras  $A$  and  $B$  of  $X$ ,  $NQ(a, B)$  and  $NQ(A, b)$  may not be subalgebras of  $NQ(X)$  since

$$(a, aT, x_3I, x_4F) \odot (a, aT, u_3I, v_4F) = (0, 0T, (x_3 * u_3)I, (x_4 * v_4)F) \notin NQ(a, B)$$

and

$$(x_1, x_2T, bI, bF) \odot (u_1, u_2T, bI, bF) = (x_1 * u_1, (x_2 * u_2)T, 0I, 0F) \notin NQ(A, b)$$

for  $(a, aT, x_3I, x_4F) \in NQ(a, B)$ ,  $(a, aT, u_3I, v_4F) \in NQ(a, B)$ ,  $(x_1, x_2T, bI, bF) \in NQ(A, b)$ , and  $(u_1, u_2T, bI, bF) \in NQ(A, b)$ .

**Theorem 3.** If  $A$  and  $B$  are subalgebras of a BCK/BCI-algebra  $X$ , then the set  $NQ(A, B)$  is a subalgebra of  $NQ(X)$ , which is called a neutrosophic quadruple subalgebra.

**Proof.** Assume that  $A$  and  $B$  are subalgebras of a BCK/BCI-algebra  $X$ . Let  $\tilde{x} = (x_1, x_2T, x_3I, x_4F)$  and  $\tilde{y} = (y_1, y_2T, y_3I, y_4F)$  be elements of  $NQ(A, B)$ . Then  $x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2 \in A$  and  $x_3, x_4, y_3, y_4 \in B$ , which implies that  $x_1 * y_1 \in A$ ,  $x_2 * y_2 \in A$ ,  $x_3 * y_3 \in B$ , and  $x_4 * y_4 \in B$ . Hence,

$$\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} = (x_1 * y_1, (x_2 * y_2)T, (x_3 * y_3)I, (x_4 * y_4)F) \in NQ(A, B),$$

so  $NQ(A, B)$  is a subalgebra of  $NQ(X)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.** If  $A$  and  $B$  are ideals of a BCK/BCI-algebra  $X$ , then the set  $NQ(A, B)$  is an ideal of  $NQ(X)$ , which is called a neutrosophic quadruple ideal.

**Proof.** Assume that  $A$  and  $B$  are ideals of a BCK/BCI-algebra  $X$ . Obviously,  $\tilde{0} \in NQ(A, B)$ . Let  $\tilde{x} = (x_1, x_2T, x_3I, x_4F)$  and  $\tilde{y} = (y_1, y_2T, y_3I, y_4F)$  be elements of  $NQ(X)$  such that  $\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} \in NQ(A, B)$  and  $\tilde{y} \in NQ(A, B)$ . Then

$$\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} = (x_1 * y_1, (x_2 * y_2)T, (x_3 * y_3)I, (x_4 * y_4)F) \in NQ(A, B),$$

so  $x_1 * y_1 \in A$ ,  $x_2 * y_2 \in A$ ,  $x_3 * y_3 \in B$  and  $x_4 * y_4 \in B$ . Since  $\tilde{y} \in NQ(A, B)$ , we have  $y_1, y_2 \in A$  and  $y_3, y_4 \in B$ . Since  $A$  and  $B$  are ideals of  $X$ , it follows that  $x_1, x_2 \in A$  and  $x_3, x_4 \in B$ . Hence,  $\tilde{x} = (x_1, x_2T, x_3I, x_4F) \in NQ(A, B)$ , so  $NQ(A, B)$  is an ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .  $\square$

Since every ideal is a subalgebra in a BCK-algebra, we have the following corollary.

**Corollary 1.** If  $A$  and  $B$  are ideals of a BCK-algebra  $X$ , then the set  $NQ(A, B)$  is a subalgebra of  $NQ(X)$ .

The following example shows that Corollary 1 is not true in a BCI-algebra.

**Example 2.** Consider a BCI-algebra  $(\mathbb{Z}, -, 0)$ . If we take  $A = \mathbb{N}$  and  $B = \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $NQ(A, B)$  is an ideal of  $NQ(\mathbb{Z})$ . However, it is not a subalgebra of  $NQ(\mathbb{Z})$  since

$$(2, 3T, -5I, 6F) \odot (3, 5T, 6I, -7F) = (-1, -2T, -11I, 13F) \notin NQ(A, B)$$

for  $(2, 3T, -5I, 6F), (3, 5T, 6I, -7F) \in NQ(A, B)$ .

**Theorem 5.** If  $A$  and  $B$  are closed ideals of a BCI-algebra  $X$ , then the set  $NQ(A, B)$  is a closed ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .

**Proof.** If  $A$  and  $B$  are closed ideals of a BCI-algebra  $X$ , then the set  $NQ(A, B)$  is an ideal of  $NQ(X)$  by Theorem 4. Let  $\tilde{x} = (x_1, x_2T, x_3I, x_4F) \in NQ(A, B)$ . Then

$$\tilde{0} \odot \tilde{x} = (0 * x_1, (0 * x_2)T, (0 * x_3)I, (0 * x_4)F) \in NQ(A, B)$$

since  $0 * x_1, 0 * x_2 \in A$  and  $0 * x_3, 0 * x_4 \in B$ . Therefore,  $NQ(A, B)$  is a closed ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .  $\square$

Since every closed ideal of a BCI-algebra  $X$  is a subalgebra of  $X$ , we have the following corollary.

**Corollary 2.** If  $A$  and  $B$  are closed ideals of a BCI-algebra  $X$ , then the set  $NQ(A, B)$  is a subalgebra of  $NQ(X)$ .

In the following example, we know that there exist ideals  $A$  and  $B$  in a BCI-algebra  $X$  such that  $NQ(A, B)$  is not a closed ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .

**Example 3.** Consider BCI-algebras  $(Y, *, 0)$  and  $(\mathbb{Z}, -, 0)$ . Then  $X = Y \times \mathbb{Z}$  is a BCI-algebra (see [21]). Let  $A = Y \times \mathbb{N}$  and  $B = \{0\} \times \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $A$  and  $B$  are ideals of  $X$ , so  $NQ(A, B)$  is an ideal of  $NQ(X)$  by Theorem 4. Let  $((0, 0), (0, 1)T, (0, 2)I, (0, 3)F) \in NQ(A, B)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & ((0, 0), (0, 0)T, (0, 0)I, (0, 0)F) \odot ((0, 0), (0, 1)T, (0, 2)I, (0, 3)F) \\ & = ((0, 0), (0, -1)T, (0, -2)I, (0, -3)F) \notin NQ(A, B). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $NQ(A, B)$  is not a closed ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .

We provide conditions where the set  $NQ(A, B)$  is a closed ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .

**Theorem 6.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be ideals of a BCI-algebra  $X$  and let

$$\Gamma := \{\tilde{a} \in NQ(X) \mid (\forall \tilde{x} \in NQ(X))(\tilde{x} \ll \tilde{a} \Rightarrow \tilde{x} = \tilde{a})\}.$$

Assume that, if  $\Gamma \subseteq NQ(A, B)$ , then  $|\Gamma| < \infty$ . Then  $NQ(A, B)$  is a closed ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .

**Proof.** If  $A$  and  $B$  are ideals of  $X$ , then  $NQ(A, B)$  is an ideal of  $NQ(X)$  by Theorem 4. Let  $\tilde{a} = (a_1, a_2T, a_3I, a_4F) \in NQ(A, B)$ . For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , denote  $n(\tilde{a}) := \tilde{0} \odot (\tilde{0} \odot \tilde{a})^n$ . Then  $n(\tilde{a}) \in \Gamma$  and

$$\begin{aligned} n(\tilde{a}) & = (0 * (0 * a_1)^n, (0 * (0 * a_2)^n)T, (0 * (0 * a_3)^n)I, (0 * (0 * a_4)^n)F) \\ & = (0 * (0 * a_1^n), (0 * (0 * a_2^n))T, (0 * (0 * a_3^n))I, (0 * (0 * a_4^n))F) \\ & = \tilde{0} \odot (\tilde{0} \odot \tilde{a}^n). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} n(\tilde{a}) \odot \tilde{a}^n & = (\tilde{0} \odot (\tilde{0} \odot \tilde{a}^n)) \odot \tilde{a}^n \\ & = (\tilde{0} \odot \tilde{a}^n) \odot (\tilde{0} \odot \tilde{a}^n) \\ & = \tilde{0} \in NQ(A, B), \end{aligned}$$

so  $n(\tilde{a}) \in NQ(A, B)$ , since  $\tilde{a} \in NQ(A, B)$ , and  $NQ(A, B)$  is an ideal of  $NQ(X)$ . Since  $|\Gamma| < \infty$ , it follows that  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $n(\tilde{a}) = (n + k)(\tilde{a})$ , that is,  $n(\tilde{a}) = n(\tilde{a}) \odot (\tilde{0} \odot \tilde{a})^k$ , and thus

$$\begin{aligned} k(\tilde{a}) &= \tilde{0} \odot (\tilde{0} \odot \tilde{a})^k \\ &= (n(\tilde{a}) \odot (\tilde{0} \odot \tilde{a})^k) \odot n(\tilde{a}) \\ &= n(\tilde{a}) \odot n(\tilde{a}) = \tilde{0}, \end{aligned}$$

i.e.,  $(k - 1)(\tilde{a}) \odot (\tilde{0} \odot \tilde{a}) = \tilde{0}$ . Since  $\tilde{0} \odot \tilde{a} \in \Gamma$ , it follows that  $\tilde{0} \odot \tilde{a} = (k - 1)(\tilde{a}) \in NQ(A, B)$ . Therefore,  $NQ(A, B)$  is a closed ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 7.** Given two elements  $a$  and  $b$  in a BCI-algebra  $X$ , let

$$A_a := \{x \in X \mid a * x = a\} \text{ and } B_b := \{x \in X \mid b * x = b\}. \tag{14}$$

Then  $NQ(A_a, B_b)$  is a closed ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .

**Proof.** Since  $a * 0 = a$  and  $b * 0 = b$ , we have  $0 \in A_a \cap B_b$ . Thus,  $\tilde{0} \in NQ(A_a, B_b)$ . If  $x \in A_a$  and  $y \in B_b$ , then

$$0 * x = (a * x) * a = a * a = 0 \text{ and } 0 * y = (b * y) * b = b * b = 0. \tag{15}$$

Let  $x, y, c, d \in X$  be such that  $x, y * x \in A_a$  and  $c, d * c \in B_b$ . Then

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

and

$$(b * d) * b = 0 * d = (0 * d) * 0 = (0 * d) * (0 * c) = 0 * (d * c) = 0,$$

that is,  $a * y \leq a$  and  $b * d \leq b$ . On the other hand,

$$a = a * (y * x) = (a * x) * (y * x) \leq a * y$$

and

$$b = b * (d * c) = (b * c) * (d * c) \leq b * d.$$

Thus,  $a * y = a$  and  $b * d = b$ , i.e.,  $y \in A_a$  and  $d \in B_b$ . Hence,  $A_a$  and  $B_b$  are ideals of  $X$ , and  $NQ(A_a, B_b)$  is therefore an ideal of  $NQ(X)$  by Theorem 4. Let  $\tilde{x} = (x_1, x_2T, x_3I, x_4F) \in NQ(A_a, B_b)$ . Then  $x_1, x_2 \in A_a$ , and  $x_3, x_4 \in B_b$ . It follows from Equation (15) that  $0 * x_1 = 0 \in A_a$ ,  $0 * x_2 = 0 \in A_a$ ,  $0 * x_3 = 0 \in B_b$ , and  $0 * x_4 = 0 \in B_b$ . Hence,

$$\tilde{0} \odot \tilde{x} = (0 * x_1, (0 * x_2)T, (0 * x_3)I, (0 * x_4)F) \in NQ(A_a, B_b).$$

Therefore,  $NQ(A_a, B_b)$  is a closed ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be ideals of a BCK-algebra  $X$ . Then

$$NQ(A) \cap NQ(B) = \{\tilde{0}\} \Leftrightarrow (\forall \tilde{x} \in NQ(A))(\forall \tilde{y} \in NQ(B))(\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} = \tilde{x}). \tag{16}$$

**Proof.** Note that  $NQ(A)$  and  $NQ(B)$  are ideals of  $NQ(X)$ . Assume that  $NQ(A) \cap NQ(B) = \{\tilde{0}\}$ . Let

$$\tilde{x} = (x_1, x_2T, x_3I, x_4F) \in NQ(A) \text{ and } \tilde{y} = (y_1, y_2T, y_3I, y_4F) \in NQ(B).$$



Since  $\tilde{x} \odot (\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \ll \tilde{x}$  and  $\tilde{x} \odot (\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \ll \tilde{y}$ , it follows that  $\tilde{x} \odot (\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \in NQ(A) \cap NQ(B) = \{\tilde{0}\}$ . Obviously,  $(\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{x} \in \{\tilde{0}\}$ . Hence,  $\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} = \tilde{x}$ .

Conversely, suppose that  $\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} = \tilde{x}$  for all  $\tilde{x} \in NQ(A)$  and  $\tilde{y} \in NQ(B)$ . If  $\tilde{z} \in NQ(A) \cap NQ(B)$ , then  $\tilde{z} \in NQ(A)$  and  $\tilde{z} \in NQ(B)$ , which is implied from the hypothesis that  $\tilde{z} = \tilde{z} \odot \tilde{z} = \tilde{0}$ . Hence  $NQ(A) \cap NQ(B) = \{\tilde{0}\}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 8.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of a BCK-algebra  $X$  such that

$$(\forall a, b \in A \cap B)(K(a, b) \subseteq A \cap B) \tag{17}$$

where  $K(a, b) := \{x \in X \mid x * a \leq b\}$ . Then the set  $NQ(A, B)$  is an ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .

**Proof.** If  $x \in A \cap B$ , then  $0 \in K(x, x)$  since  $0 * x \leq x$ . Hence,  $0 \in A \cap B$  by Equation (17), so it is clear that  $\tilde{0} \in NQ(A, B)$ . Let  $\tilde{x} = (x_1, x_2T, x_3I, x_4F)$  and  $\tilde{y} = (y_1, y_2T, y_3I, y_4F)$  be elements of  $NQ(X)$  such that  $\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} \in NQ(A, B)$  and  $\tilde{y} \in NQ(A, B)$ . Then

$$\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} = (x_1 * y_1, (x_2 * y_2)T, (x_3 * y_3)I, (x_4 * y_4)F) \in NQ(A, B),$$

so  $x_1 * y_1 \in A$ ,  $x_2 * y_2 \in A$ ,  $x_3 * y_3 \in B$ , and  $x_4 * y_4 \in B$ . Using (II), we have  $x_1 \in K(x_1 * y_1, y_1) \subseteq A$ ,  $x_2 \in K(x_2 * y_2, y_2) \subseteq A$ ,  $x_3 \in K(x_3 * y_3, y_3) \subseteq B$ , and  $x_4 \in K(x_4 * y_4, y_4) \subseteq B$ . This implies that  $\tilde{x} = (x_1, x_2T, x_3I, x_4F) \in NQ(A, B)$ . Therefore,  $NQ(A, B)$  is an ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of a BCK-algebra  $X$  such that

$$(\forall a, x, y \in X)(x, y \in A \cap B, (a * x) * y = 0 \Rightarrow a \in A \cap B). \tag{18}$$

Then the set  $NQ(A, B)$  is an ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .

**Theorem 9.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be nonempty subsets of a BCK-algebra  $X$  such that

$$(\forall a, x, y \in X)(x, y \in A \text{ (or } B), a * x \leq y \Rightarrow a \in A \text{ (or } B)). \tag{19}$$

Then the set  $NQ(A, B)$  is an ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .

**Proof.** Assume that the condition expressed by Equation (19) is valid for nonempty subsets  $A$  and  $B$  of  $X$ . Since  $0 * x \leq x$  for any  $x \in A$  (or  $B$ ), we have  $0 \in A$  (or  $B$ ) by Equation (19). Hence, it is clear that  $\tilde{0} \in NQ(A, B)$ . Let  $\tilde{x} = (x_1, x_2T, x_3I, x_4F)$  and  $\tilde{y} = (y_1, y_2T, y_3I, y_4F)$  be elements of  $NQ(X)$  such that  $\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} \in NQ(A, B)$  and  $\tilde{y} \in NQ(A, B)$ . Then

$$\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} = (x_1 * y_1, (x_2 * y_2)T, (x_3 * y_3)I, (x_4 * y_4)F) \in NQ(A, B),$$

so  $x_1 * y_1 \in A$ ,  $x_2 * y_2 \in A$ ,  $x_3 * y_3 \in B$ , and  $x_4 * y_4 \in B$ . Note that  $x_i * (x_i * y_i) \leq y_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ . It follows from Equation (19) that  $x_1, x_2 \in A$  and  $x_3, x_4 \in B$ . Hence,

$$\tilde{x} = (x_1, x_2T, x_3I, x_4F) \in NQ(A, B);$$

therefore,  $NQ(A, B)$  is an ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 10.** If  $A$  and  $B$  are positive implicative ideals of a BCK-algebra  $X$ , then the set  $NQ(A, B)$  is a positive implicative ideal of  $NQ(X)$ , which is called a positive implicative neutrosophic quadruple ideal.

**Proof.** Assume that  $A$  and  $B$  are positive implicative ideals of a BCK-algebra  $X$ . Obviously,  $\tilde{0} \in NQ(A, B)$ . Let  $\tilde{x} = (x_1, x_2T, x_3I, x_4F)$ ,  $\tilde{y} = (y_1, y_2T, y_3I, y_4F)$ , and  $\tilde{z} = (z_1, z_2T, z_3I, z_4F)$  be elements of  $NQ(X)$  such that  $(\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{z} \in NQ(A, B)$  and  $\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{z} \in NQ(A, B)$ . Then

$$(\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{z} = ((x_1 * y_1) * z_1, ((x_2 * y_2) * z_2)T, ((x_3 * y_3) * z_3)I, ((x_4 * y_4) * z_4)F) \in NQ(A, B),$$

and

$$\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{z} = (y_1 * z_1, (y_2 * z_2)T, (y_3 * z_3)I, (y_4 * z_4)F) \in NQ(A, B),$$

so  $(x_1 * y_1) * z_1 \in A$ ,  $(x_2 * y_2) * z_2 \in A$ ,  $(x_3 * y_3) * z_3 \in B$ ,  $(x_4 * y_4) * z_4 \in B$ ,  $y_1 * z_1 \in A$ ,  $y_2 * z_2 \in A$ ,  $y_3 * z_3 \in B$ , and  $y_4 * z_4 \in B$ . Since  $A$  and  $B$  are positive implicative ideals of  $X$ , it follows that  $x_1 * z_1, x_2 * z_2 \in A$  and  $x_3 * z_3, x_4 * z_4 \in B$ . Hence,

$$\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{z} = (x_1 * z_1, (x_2 * z_2)T, (x_3 * z_3)I, (x_4 * z_4)F) \in NQ(A, B),$$

so  $NQ(A, B)$  is a positive implicative ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 11.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be ideals of a BCK-algebra  $X$  such that

$$(\forall x, y, z \in X)((x * y) * z \in A \text{ (or } B) \Rightarrow (x * z) * (y * z) \in A \text{ (or } B)). \tag{20}$$

Then  $NQ(A, B)$  is a positive implicative ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .

**Proof.** Since  $A$  and  $B$  are ideals of  $X$ , it follows from Theorem 4 that  $NQ(A, B)$  is an ideal of  $NQ(X)$ . Let  $\tilde{x} = (x_1, x_2T, x_3I, x_4F)$ ,  $\tilde{y} = (y_1, y_2T, y_3I, y_4F)$ , and  $\tilde{z} = (z_1, z_2T, z_3I, z_4F)$  be elements of  $NQ(X)$  such that  $(\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{z} \in NQ(A, B)$  and  $\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{z} \in NQ(A, B)$ . Then

$$(\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{z} = ((x_1 * y_1) * z_1, ((x_2 * y_2) * z_2)T, ((x_3 * y_3) * z_3)I, ((x_4 * y_4) * z_4)F) \in NQ(A, B),$$

and

$$\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{z} = (y_1 * z_1, (y_2 * z_2)T, (y_3 * z_3)I, (y_4 * z_4)F) \in NQ(A, B),$$

so  $(x_1 * y_1) * z_1 \in A$ ,  $(x_2 * y_2) * z_2 \in A$ ,  $(x_3 * y_3) * z_3 \in B$ ,  $(x_4 * y_4) * z_4 \in B$ ,  $y_1 * z_1 \in A$ ,  $y_2 * z_2 \in A$ ,  $y_3 * z_3 \in B$ , and  $y_4 * z_4 \in B$ . It follows from Equation (20) that  $(x_1 * z_1) * (y_1 * z_1) \in A$ ,  $(x_2 * z_2) * (y_2 * z_2) \in A$ ,  $(x_3 * z_3) * (y_3 * z_3) \in B$ , and  $(x_4 * z_4) * (y_4 * z_4) \in B$ . Since  $A$  and  $B$  are ideals of  $X$ , we get  $x_1 * z_1 \in A$ ,  $x_2 * z_2 \in A$ ,  $x_3 * z_3 \in B$ , and  $x_4 * z_4 \in B$ . Hence,

$$\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{z} = (x_1 * z_1, (x_2 * z_2)T, (x_3 * z_3)I, (x_4 * z_4)F) \in NQ(A, B).$$

Therefore,  $NQ(A, B)$  is a positive implicative ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 4.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be ideals of a BCK-algebra  $X$  such that

$$(\forall x, y \in X)((x * y) * y \in A \text{ (or } B) \Rightarrow x * y \in A \text{ (or } B)). \tag{21}$$

Then  $NQ(A, B)$  is a positive implicative ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .

**Proof.** If the condition expressed in Equation (21) is valid, then the condition expressed in Equation (20) is true. Hence,  $NQ(A, B)$  is a positive implicative ideal of  $NQ(X)$  by Theorem 11.  $\square$

**Theorem 12.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of a BCK-algebra  $X$  such that  $0 \in A \cap B$  and

$$((x * y) * y) * z \in A \text{ (or } B), z \in A \text{ (or } B) \Rightarrow x * y \in A \text{ (or } B) \tag{22}$$

for all  $x, y, z \in X$ . Then  $NQ(A, B)$  is a positive implicative ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .

**Proof.** Since  $0 \in A \cap B$ , it is clear that  $\tilde{0} \in NQ(A, B)$ . We first show that

$$(\forall x, y \in X)(x * y \in A \text{ (or } B), y \in A \text{ (or } B) \Rightarrow x \in A \text{ (or } B)). \tag{23}$$

Let  $x, y \in X$  be such that  $x * y \in A \text{ (or } B)$  and  $y \in A \text{ (or } B)$ . Then

$$((x * 0) * 0) * y = x * y \in A \text{ (or } B)$$

by Equation (1), which, based on Equations (1) and (22), implies that  $x = x * 0 \in A \text{ (or } B)$ . Let  $\tilde{x} = (x_1, x_2T, x_3I, x_4F)$ ,  $\tilde{y} = (y_1, y_2T, y_3I, y_4F)$ , and  $\tilde{z} = (z_1, z_2T, z_3I, z_4F)$  be elements of  $NQ(X)$  such that  $(\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{z} \in NQ(A, B)$  and  $\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{z} \in NQ(A, B)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} (\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{z} &= ((x_1 * y_1) * z_1, ((x_2 * y_2) * z_2)T, \\ &((x_3 * y_3) * z_3)I, ((x_4 * y_4) * z_4)F) \in NQ(A, B), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{z} = (y_1 * z_1, (y_2 * z_2)T, (y_3 * z_3)I, (y_4 * z_4)F) \in NQ(A, B),$$

so  $(x_1 * y_1) * z_1 \in A$ ,  $(x_2 * y_2) * z_2 \in A$ ,  $(x_3 * y_3) * z_3 \in B$ ,  $(x_4 * y_4) * z_4 \in B$ ,  $y_1 * z_1 \in A$ ,  $y_2 * z_2 \in A$ ,  $y_3 * z_3 \in B$ , and  $y_4 * z_4 \in B$ . Note that

$$(((x_i * z_i) * z_i) * (y_i * z_i)) * ((x_i * y_i) * z_i) = 0 \in A \text{ (or } B)$$

for  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ . Since  $(x_i * y_i) * z_i \in A$  for  $i = 1, 2$  and  $(x_j * y_j) * z_j \in B$  for  $j = 3, 4$ , it follows from Equation (23) that  $((x_i * z_i) * z_i) * (y_i * z_i) \in A$  for  $i = 1, 2$ , and  $((x_j * z_j) * z_j) * (y_j * z_j) \in B$  for  $j = 3, 4$ . Moreover, since  $y_i * z_i \in A$  for  $i = 1, 2$ , and  $y_j * z_j \in B$  for  $j = 3, 4$ , we have  $x_1 * z_1 \in A$ ,  $x_2 * z_2 \in A$ ,  $x_3 * z_3 \in B$ , and  $x_4 * z_4 \in B$  by Equation (22). Hence,

$$\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{z} = (x_1 * z_1, (x_2 * z_2)T, (x_3 * z_3)I, (x_4 * z_4)F) \in NQ(A, B).$$

Therefore,  $NQ(A, B)$  is a positive implicative ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 13.** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of a BCK-algebra  $X$  such that  $NQ(A, B)$  is a positive implicative ideal of  $NQ(X)$ . Then the set

$$\Omega_{\tilde{a}} := \{\tilde{x} \in NQ(X) \mid \tilde{x} \odot \tilde{a} \in NQ(A, B)\} \tag{24}$$

is an ideal of  $NQ(X)$  for any  $\tilde{a} \in NQ(X)$ .

**Proof.** Obviously,  $\tilde{0} \in \Omega_{\tilde{a}}$ . Let  $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y} \in NQ(X)$  be such that  $\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} \in \Omega_{\tilde{a}}$  and  $\tilde{y} \in \Omega_{\tilde{a}}$ . Then  $(\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{a} \in NQ(A, B)$  and  $\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{a} \in NQ(A, B)$ . Since  $NQ(A, B)$  is a positive implicative ideal of  $NQ(X)$ , it follows from Equation (11) that  $\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{a} \in NQ(A, B)$  and therefore that  $\tilde{x} \in \Omega_{\tilde{a}}$ . Hence,  $\Omega_{\tilde{a}}$  is an ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .  $\square$

Combining Theorems 12 and 13, we have the following corollary.

**Corollary 5.** *If  $A$  and  $B$  are subsets of a BCK-algebra  $X$  satisfying  $0 \in A \cap B$  and the condition expressed in Equation (22), then the set  $\Omega_{\tilde{a}}$  in Equation (24) is an ideal of  $NQ(X)$  for all  $\tilde{a} \in NQ(X)$ .*

**Theorem 14.** *For any subsets  $A$  and  $B$  of a BCK-algebra  $X$ , if the set  $\Omega_{\tilde{a}}$  in Equation (24) is an ideal of  $NQ(X)$  for all  $\tilde{a} \in NQ(X)$ , then  $NQ(A, B)$  is a positive implicative ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .*

**Proof.** Since  $\tilde{0} \in \Omega_{\tilde{a}}$ , we have  $\tilde{0} = \tilde{0} \odot \tilde{a} \in NQ(A, B)$ . Let  $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{z} \in NQ(X)$  be such that  $(\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{z} \in NQ(A, B)$  and  $\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{z} \in NQ(A, B)$ . Then  $\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} \in \Omega_{\tilde{z}}$  and  $\tilde{y} \in \Omega_{\tilde{z}}$ . Since  $\Omega_{\tilde{z}}$  is an ideal of  $NQ(X)$ , it follows that  $\tilde{x} \in \Omega_{\tilde{z}}$ . Hence,  $\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{z} \in NQ(A, B)$ . Therefore,  $NQ(A, B)$  is a positive implicative ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 15.** *For any ideals  $A$  and  $B$  of a BCK-algebra  $X$  and for any  $\tilde{a} \in NQ(X)$ , if the set  $\Omega_{\tilde{a}}$  in Equation (24) is an ideal of  $NQ(X)$ , then  $NQ(X)$  is a positive implicative BCK-algebra.*

**Proof.** Let  $\Omega$  be any ideal of  $NQ(X)$ . For any  $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{z} \in NQ(X)$ , assume that  $(\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{z} \in \Omega$  and  $\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{z} \in \Omega$ . Then  $\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} \in \Omega_{\tilde{z}}$  and  $\tilde{y} \in \Omega_{\tilde{z}}$ . Since  $\Omega_{\tilde{z}}$  is an ideal of  $NQ(X)$ , it follows that  $\tilde{x} \in \Omega_{\tilde{z}}$ . Hence,  $\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{z} \in \Omega$ , which shows that  $\Omega$  is a positive implicative ideal of  $NQ(X)$ . Therefore,  $NQ(X)$  is a positive implicative BCK-algebra.  $\square$

In general, the set  $\{\tilde{0}\}$  is an ideal of any neutrosophic quadruple BCK-algebra  $NQ(X)$ , but it is not a positive implicative ideal of  $NQ(X)$  as seen in the following example.

**Example 4.** *Consider a BCK-algebra  $X = \{0, 1, 2\}$  with the binary operation  $*$ , which is given in Table 3.*

**Table 3.** Cayley table for the binary operation “ $*$ ”.

$*$	0	1	2
0	0	0	0
1	1	0	0
2	2	1	0

Then the neutrosophic quadruple BCK-algebra  $NQ(X)$  has 81 elements. If we take  $\tilde{a} = (2, 2T, 2I, 2F)$  and  $\tilde{b} = (1, 1T, 1I, 1F)$  in  $NQ(X)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\tilde{a} \odot \tilde{b}) \odot \tilde{b} &= ((2 * 1) * 1, ((2 * 1) * 1)T, ((2 * 1) * 1)I, ((2 * 1) * 1)F) \\
 &= (1 * 1, (1 * 1)T, (1 * 1)I, (1 * 1)F) = (0, 0T, 0I, 0F) = \tilde{0},
 \end{aligned}$$

and  $\tilde{b} \odot \tilde{b} = \tilde{0}$ . However,

$$\tilde{a} \odot \tilde{b} = (2 * 1, (2 * 1)T, (2 * 1)I, (2 * 1)F) = (1, 1T, 1I, 1F) \neq \tilde{0}.$$

Hence,  $\{\tilde{0}\}$  is not a positive implicative ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .

We now provide conditions for the set  $\{\tilde{0}\}$  to be a positive implicative ideal in the neutrosophic quadruple BCK-algebra.

**Theorem 16.** *Let  $NQ(X)$  be a neutrosophic quadruple BCK-algebra. If the set*

$$\Omega(\tilde{a}) := \{\tilde{x} \in NQ(X) \mid \tilde{x} \ll \tilde{a}\} \tag{25}$$

*is an ideal of  $NQ(X)$  for all  $\tilde{a} \in NQ(X)$ , then  $\{\tilde{0}\}$  is a positive implicative ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .*

**Proof.** We first show that

$$(\forall \tilde{x}, \tilde{y} \in NQ(X))((\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y}) \circ \tilde{y} = \tilde{0} \Rightarrow \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y} = \tilde{0}). \tag{26}$$

Assume that  $(\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y}) \circ \tilde{y} = \tilde{0}$  for all  $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y} \in NQ(X)$ . Then  $\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y} \ll \tilde{y}$ , so  $\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y} \in \Omega(\tilde{y})$ . Since  $\tilde{y} \in \Omega(\tilde{y})$  and  $\Omega(\tilde{y})$  is an ideal of  $NQ(X)$ , we have  $\tilde{x} \in \Omega(\tilde{y})$ . Thus,  $\tilde{x} \ll \tilde{y}$ , that is,  $\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y} = \tilde{0}$ . Let  $\tilde{u} := (\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y}) \circ \tilde{y}$ . Then

$$((\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{u}) \circ \tilde{y}) \circ \tilde{y} = ((\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y}) \circ \tilde{y}) \circ \tilde{u} = \tilde{0},$$

which implies, based on Equations (3) and (26), that

$$(\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y}) \circ ((\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y}) \circ \tilde{y}) = (\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y}) \circ \tilde{u} = (\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{u}) \circ \tilde{y} = \tilde{0},$$

that is,  $\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y} \ll (\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y}) \circ \tilde{y}$ . Since  $(\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y}) \circ \tilde{y} \ll \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y}$ , it follows that

$$(\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y}) \circ \tilde{y} = \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y}. \tag{27}$$

If we put  $\tilde{y} = \tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x}))$  in Equation (27), then

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x}))) &= (\tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x})))) \circ (\tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x}))) \\ &\ll (\tilde{y} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x})) \circ (\tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x}))) \\ &\ll (\tilde{y} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x})) \circ (\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y}) \\ &= (\tilde{y} \circ (\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y})) \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x}) \\ &= ((\tilde{y} \circ (\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y})) \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x})) \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x}) \\ &\ll (\tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y})) \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x}). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} &((\tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y})) \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x})) \circ (\tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x})))) \\ &= ((\tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x})))) \circ (\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y})) \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x})) \\ &= ((\tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x}))) \circ (\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y})) \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x}) \\ &\ll (\tilde{y} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x}))) \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x}) = \tilde{0}, \end{aligned}$$

so  $((\tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y})) \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x})) \circ (\tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x})))) = \tilde{0}$ , that is,

$$((\tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y})) \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x})) \ll \tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x}))).$$

Hence,

$$\tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x}))) = ((\tilde{x} \circ (\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{y})) \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x})). \tag{28}$$

If we use  $\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x}$  instead of  $\tilde{x}$  in Equation (28), then

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x} &= (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x}) \circ \tilde{0} \\ &= (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x}) \circ ((\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x}) \circ (\tilde{y} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x})))) \\ &= ((\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x}) \circ ((\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x}) \circ \tilde{y})) \circ (\tilde{y} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x})) \\ &= (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x}) \circ (\tilde{y} \circ (\tilde{y} \circ \tilde{x})), \end{aligned}$$

which, by taking  $\tilde{x} = \tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x}$ , implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{y} \odot (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x}) &= (\tilde{y} \odot (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x})) \odot (\tilde{y} \odot (\tilde{y} \odot (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x}))) \\ &= (\tilde{y} \odot (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x})) \odot (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x}). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} (\tilde{y} \odot (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x})) \odot (\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) &= ((\tilde{y} \odot (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x})) \odot (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x})) \odot (\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \\ &\ll (\tilde{x} \odot (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x})) \odot (\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \\ &= (\tilde{x} \odot (\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y})) \odot (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x}), \end{aligned}$$

so,

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x} &= (\tilde{y} \odot (\tilde{y} \odot (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x}))) \odot \tilde{0} \\ &= (\tilde{y} \odot (\tilde{y} \odot (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x}))) \odot ((\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x}) \odot \tilde{y}) \\ &\ll ((\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x}) \odot ((\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x}) \odot \tilde{y})) \odot (\tilde{y} \odot (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x})) \\ &= (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x}) \odot (\tilde{y} \odot (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x})) \\ &\ll (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x}) \odot \tilde{x}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $(\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x}) \odot \tilde{x} \ll \tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x}$ , it follows that

$$(\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x}) \odot \tilde{x} = \tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x}. \tag{29}$$

Based on Equation (29), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} ((\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{z}) * (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{z})) \odot ((\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{z}) \\ &= (((\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{z}) \odot \tilde{z}) \odot (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{z})) \odot ((\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{z}) \\ &\ll ((\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{z}) \odot \tilde{y}) \odot ((\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{z}) \\ &= \tilde{0}, \end{aligned}$$

that is,  $(\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{z}) * (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{z}) \ll (\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{z}$ . Note that

$$\begin{aligned} ((\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{z}) \odot ((\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{z}) \odot (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{z})) \\ &= ((\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{z}) \odot ((\tilde{x} \odot (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{z})) \odot \tilde{z}) \\ &\ll (\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot (\tilde{x} \odot (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{z})) \\ &\ll (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{z}) \odot \tilde{y} = \tilde{0}, \end{aligned}$$

which shows that  $(\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{z} \ll (\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{z}) \odot (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{z})$ . Hence,  $(\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{z} = (\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{z}) \odot (\tilde{y} \odot \tilde{z})$ . Therefore,  $NQ(X)$  is a positive implicative, so  $\{\tilde{0}\}$  is a positive implicative ideal of  $NQ(X)$ .  $\square$

#### 4. Conclusions

We have considered a neutrosophic quadruple  $BCK/BCI$ -number on a set and established neutrosophic quadruple  $BCK/BCI$ -algebras, which consist of neutrosophic quadruple  $BCK/BCI$ -numbers. We have investigated several properties and considered ideal theory in a neutrosophic quadruple  $BCK$ -algebra and a closed ideal in a neutrosophic quadruple  $BCI$ -algebra. Using subsets  $A$  and  $B$  of a neutrosophic quadruple  $BCK/BCI$ -algebra, we have considered sets  $NQ(A, B)$ , which consist of neutrosophic quadruple  $BCK/BCI$ -numbers with a condition. We have provided conditions for the set  $NQ(A, B)$  to be a (positive implicative) ideal of a neutrosophic quadruple  $BCK$ -algebra, and the set  $NQ(A, B)$  to be a (closed) ideal of a neutrosophic quadruple  $BCI$ -algebra. We have provided an example

to show that the set  $\{\tilde{0}\}$  is not a positive implicative ideal in a neutrosophic quadruple BCK-algebra, and we have considered conditions for the set  $\{\tilde{0}\}$  to be a positive implicative ideal in a neutrosophic quadruple BCK-algebra.

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