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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-numbers with a 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.

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### 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

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

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

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

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

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

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

where  $x \le y$  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

$$0 \in I$$
, (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

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

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.

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**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:

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

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

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

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

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

$$\ll (y_1, y_2 T, y_3 I, y_4 F)$$

$$= \tilde{y}$$

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

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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

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

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	а
0	0	0
а	а	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 " $\odot$ ".

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2	$\tilde{2}$	2	Õ	Õ	2	2	Õ	Õ	2	2	Õ	Õ	$\tilde{2}$	$\tilde{2}$	Õ	Õ
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$\tilde{6}$	ã	$\tilde{6}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{4}$	2	2	Õ	Õ	Ã	ã	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{4}$	2	2	Õ	Õ
$\tilde{7}$	$\tilde{7}$	$\tilde{6}$	$\tilde{5}$	$\tilde{4}$	ã	$\tilde{2}$	ĩ	Õ	$\tilde{7}$	$\tilde{6}$	<b>5</b>	$ ilde{4}$	ã	$\tilde{2}$	ĩ	Õ
$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	8	Õ	Õ	Õ	Õ	Õ	Õ	Õ	Õ						
9	9	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	8	9	$\tilde{8}$	9	8	9	Õ	ĩ	Õ	ĩ	Õ	ĩ	Õ
<b>1</b> 0	<b>1</b> 0	<b>1</b> 0	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	<b>1</b> 0	<b>1</b> 0	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	2	$\tilde{2}$	Õ	2	2	2	Õ	Õ

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$\odot$	Õ	ĩ	<b>2</b>	ã	$\tilde{4}$	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	7	8	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1</b> 3	<b>1</b> 4	<b>1</b> 5
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1 <b>2</b>	<u>12</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>12</u>	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{4}$	$ ilde{4}$	$ ilde{4}$	Õ	Õ	Õ	Õ
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$\tilde{14}$	$\tilde{14}$	$\tilde{14}$	<u>12</u>	<u>12</u>	$\tilde{10}$	$\tilde{10}$	8	8	ã	ã	$\tilde{4}$	$\tilde{4}$	2	2	Õ	Õ
<b>1</b> 5	<b>1</b> 5	$\tilde{14}$	13	<b>1</b> 2	11	<b>1</b> 0	9	$\tilde{8}$	$\tilde{7}$	ã	<b>5</b>	$\tilde{4}$	ã	$\tilde{2}$	ĩ	Õ

Table 2. Cont.

**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

$$NQ(a, B) := \{(a, aT, yI, zF) \in NQ(X) \mid y, z \in B\}$$
 $NQ(A, b) := \{(a, xT, bI, bF) \in NQ(X) \mid a, x \in A\}$ 
 $NQ(A, B) := \{(a, xT, yI, zF) \in NQ(X) \mid a, x \in A; y, z \in B\}$ 
 $NQ(A^*, B) := \bigcup_{a \in A} NQ(a, B)$ 
 $NQ(A, B^*) := \bigcup_{b \in B} NQ(A, b)$ 

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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.

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**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

$$((0,0),(0,0)T,(0,0)I,(0,0)F) \odot ((0,0),(0,1)T,(0,2)I,(0,3)F)$$
  
=  $((0,0),(0,-1)T,(0,-2)I,(0,-3)F) \notin NQ(A,B).$ 

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

We provide conditions wherethe 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

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

Hence,

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

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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

$$k(\tilde{a}) = \tilde{0} \odot (\tilde{0} \odot \tilde{a})^k$$
  
=  $(n(\tilde{a}) \odot (\tilde{0} \odot \tilde{a})^k) \odot n(\tilde{a})$   
=  $n(\tilde{a}) \odot n(\tilde{a}) = \tilde{0}$ ,

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

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

Then  $NQ(A_a, B_h)$  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

$$0 * x = (a * x) * a = a * a = 0$$
 and  $0 * y = (b * y) * b = b * b = 0.$  (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,  $a * y \le a$  and  $b * d \le b$ . On the other hand,

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

and

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

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

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

**Proof.** Note that NQ(A) and NQ(B) are ideals of NQ(X). Assume that  $NQ(A) \cap NQ(B) = \{\tilde{0}\}$ . Let  $\tilde{x} = (x_1, x_2T, x_3I, x_4F) \in NQ(A)$  and  $\tilde{y} = (y_1, y_2T, y_3I, y_4F) \in NQ(B)$ .

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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  $K(a,b) := \{x \in X \mid x * a \le b\}$ . 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  $0 * x \le x$ . 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

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

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  $0 * x \le x$  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  $x_i * (x_i * y_i) \le y_i$  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 B, we get B and B are ideals of B, and B are ideals of B, and B are ideals of B.

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

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

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

$$(\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{z} = ((x_1 * y_1) * z_1, ((x_2 * y_2) * z_2)T,$$
  
 $((x_3 * y_3) * z_3)I, ((x_4 * y_4) * z_4)F) \in NO(A, B),$ 

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  $y_4 * z_4 \in B$ . 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

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

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

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

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

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

Assume that  $(\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{y} = \tilde{0}$  for all  $\tilde{x}, \tilde{y} \in NQ(X)$ . Then  $\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} \ll \tilde{y}$ , so  $\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} \in \Omega(\tilde{y})$ . 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,  $\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} = \tilde{0}$ . Let  $\tilde{u} := (\tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y}) \odot \tilde{y}$ . Then

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$\begin{split} \tilde{x} \odot \left( \tilde{x} \odot \left( \tilde{y} \odot \left( \tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x} \right) \right) \right) &= \left( \tilde{x} \odot \left( \tilde{x} \odot \left( \tilde{y} \odot \left( \tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x} \right) \right) \right) \right) \odot \left( \tilde{x} \odot \left( \tilde{y} \odot \left( \tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x} \right) \right) \right) \\ &\ll \left( \tilde{y} \odot \left( \tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x} \right) \right) \odot \left( \tilde{x} \odot \left( \tilde{y} \odot \left( \tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x} \right) \right) \right) \\ &\ll \left( \tilde{y} \odot \left( \tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x} \right) \right) \odot \left( \tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} \right) \\ &= \left( \tilde{y} \odot \left( \tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} \right) \right) \odot \left( \tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x} \right) \\ &= \left( \left( \tilde{y} \odot \left( \tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} \right) \right) \odot \left( \tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x} \right) \right) \odot \left( \tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x} \right) \\ &\ll \left( \tilde{x} \odot \left( \tilde{x} \odot \tilde{y} \right) \right) \odot \left( \tilde{y} \odot \tilde{x} \right). \end{split}$$

On the other hand,

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

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

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

Hence,

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

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

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

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

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

It follows that

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

so,

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

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

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

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

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

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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