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# Interval Valued $m$ -polar Fuzzy $BCK/BCI$ -Algebras

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### ABSTRACT

The notion of interval-valued  $m$ -polar fuzzy sets (abbreviated  $IVmPF$ ) is much wider than the notion of  $m$ -polar fuzzy sets. In this paper, we apply the theory of  $IVmPF$  on  $BCK/BCI$ -algebras. We introduce the concepts of  $IVmPF$  subalgebras,  $IVmPF$  ideals and  $IVmPF$  commutative ideals and some essential properties are discussed. We characterize  $IVmPF$  subalgebras in terms of fuzzy subalgebras and subalgebras of  $BCK/BCI$ -algebras. We show that in  $BCK$ -algebra,  $IVmPF$  ideals are  $IVmPF$  subalgebras and that the converse is not valid. We provide a condition under which an  $IVmPF$  subalgebra becomes an  $IVmPF$  ideal. Further, we characterize  $IVmPF$  ideals in terms of fuzzy ideals and ideals of  $BCK/BCI$ -algebras. Moreover, we prove that in any  $BCK$ -algebra, an  $IVmPF$  commutative ideal is an  $IVmPF$  fuzzy ideal but not the converse. Also, we provide conditions under which an  $IVmPF$  ideal becomes an  $IVmPF$  commutative ideal.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

In 1966, Imai and Iséki introduced the concept of  $BCK/BCI$ -algebras, which is a generalization of propositional calculus and the set-theoretic difference. The literature on the theory of  $BCK/BCI$ -algebras has been developed since then, and more focus has been placed on the ideal theory of  $BCK/BCI$ -algebras in particular. In  $BCK/BCI$ -algebras and other related algebraic structures, different kinds of concepts were investigated in various ways (see, e.g., [1–8]).

The fuzzy set theory proposed by Zadeh [9] has been extended to a lot of areas. In addition, a variety of extensions and generalizations of fuzzy sets have been introduced such as the following well known sets: bipolar fuzzy sets, hesitant fuzzy sets, intuitionistic fuzzy sets, interval-valued fuzzy sets and fuzzy multisets, etc. The interval-valued fuzzy set introduced by Zadeh takes the values of the membership functions as intervals instead of numbers. The study of interval-valued fuzzy algebraic structures started in [10] by introducing the concept of interval-valued fuzzy subgroups. Jun [11] extended the concept of interval-valued fuzzy sets to  $BCK/BCI$ -algebras and introduced the notions of interval-valued subalgebras and ideals. After that, the notion of interval-valued fuzzy sets in  $BCK/BCI$ -algebras with different aspects has been studied by several authors, for example, see [12–14].

Zhang introduced the notion of bipolar fuzzy sets which permits the membership degree of an element over two intervals  $[-1, 0]$  and  $[0, 1]$ , that is, every element assigns negative and positive degree

of memberships. By applying the notion of bipolar fuzzy sets to  $BCK/BCI$ -algebras, Lee [15] introduced the notions of bipolar fuzzy subalgebra and bipolar fuzzy ideal of  $BCK/BCI$ -algebras. Using  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -bipolar fuzzy generalized bi-ideals, Ibrar *et al.* [16] characterized regular ordered semigroups whereas Bashir *et al.* [17] characterized the regular ordered ternary semigroups. For more related concepts on bipolar fuzzy sets, we refer to [18–22].

As in many problems, information often comes from several variables and there are often multi-attribute data that cannot be handled using current theories, a lot of approaches have been done to solve this problem. For example, Chen *et al.* [23] presented the  $m$ -polar fuzzy set, an expansion of the bipolar fuzzy set and as a new approach Akram *et al.* [24] introduced a technique in decision making based on  $m$ -polar fuzzy sets.

The  $m$ -polar fuzzy algebraic structures study began with the concept of  $m$ -polar fuzzy Lie subalgebras [25]. After that, the theory of  $m$ -polar fuzzy Lie ideals was studied in Lie algebras [26]. The concept of the  $m$ -polar fuzzy groups was given in [27]. Moreover,  $m$ -polar fuzzy matroids have been studied in [28]. Further,  $m$ -polar fuzzy sets have been studied in different areas (see [29–33]). Recently, Al-Masarwah and Ahmad introduced the notion of  $m$ -polar fuzzy (commutative) ideals [34] and  $m$ -polar  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -fuzzy ideals [35] in  $BCK/BCI$ -algebras. As a continues work they introduced a new form of generalized  $m$ -polar fuzzy ideals in [36] and studied normalization of  $m$ -polar fuzzy subalgebras in [37]. A new advanced extensions are formed by merging two fuzzy information in one set as neutrosophic bipolar fuzzy sets, bipolar valued hesitant fuzzy sets and interval-valued  $m$ -polar fuzzy sets

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(IVmPF). For some recent work on these extensions, we refer the reader to [38–43].

The power of the theory of IVmPF as an advanced extension with all the work done on different algebraic structure motivated the authors to apply the theory of IVmPF on *BCK/BCI*-algebras. The novelty in this study lies in using the proposed model on *BCK/BCI*-algebras. The authors introduced and investigated the notions of interval-valued *m*-polar fuzzy subalgebras, interval-valued *m*-polar fuzzy ideals and interval-valued *m*-polar fuzzy commutative ideals in Sections 3, 4, 5, respectively. A summary of proposed and future work were given in Section 6.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

An algebra  $(X; *, 0)$  of type  $(2, 0)$  is called a *BCI-algebra* if  $\forall v, \kappa, \hbar \in X$ , it satisfies

$$(K_1) ((v * \hbar) * (v * \kappa)) * (\kappa * \hbar) = 0,$$

$$(K_2) (v * (v * \hbar)) * \hbar = 0,$$

$$(K_3) v * v = 0,$$

$$(K_4) v * \hbar = 0 \text{ and } \hbar * v = 0 \Rightarrow v = \hbar,$$

If a *BCI*-algebra  $X$  satisfies

$$(K_5) 0 * v = 0 \forall v \in X$$

then  $X$  is a *BCK*-algebra.

The following conditions hold in any *BCK/BCI*-algebra  $X$  and for all  $v, \kappa, \hbar \in X$ :

$$(P_1) v * 0 = v,$$

$$(P_2) (v * \hbar) * \kappa = (v * \kappa) * \hbar,$$

$$(P_3) v \leq \hbar \Rightarrow v * \kappa \leq \hbar * \kappa \text{ and } \kappa * \hbar \leq \kappa * v,$$

$$(P_4) 0 * (v * \hbar) = (0 * v) * (0 * \hbar),$$

$$(P_5) 0 * (0 * (v * \hbar)) = 0 * (\hbar * v),$$

$$(P_6) (v * \kappa) * (\hbar * \kappa) \leq (v * \hbar),$$

$$(P_7) v * (v * (v * \hbar)) = v * \hbar,$$

$$(P_8) 0 * (0 * ((v * \kappa) * (\hbar * \kappa))) = (0 * \hbar) * (0 * v),$$

$$(P_9) 0 * (0 * (v * \hbar)) = (0 * \hbar) * (0 * v),$$

where  $v \leq \kappa \Leftrightarrow v * \kappa = 0 \forall v, \kappa \in X$ . Clearly,  $(X, \leq)$  is a partially ordered set.

A nonempty subset  $B$  of  $X$  is called a *subalgebra* of  $X$  if  $v * \kappa \in B \forall v, \kappa \in B$ .

A nonempty subset  $L$  of  $X$  is called an *ideal* of  $X$  if

$$(L_1) 0 \in L,$$

$$(L_2) \forall v, \kappa \in X, v * \kappa \in L \text{ and } \kappa \in L \Rightarrow v \in L.$$

Let  $X$  be a *BCK/BCI*-algebra. A fuzzy set of  $X$  is a mapping  $\xi : X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ . A fuzzy set  $\xi$  is called a fuzzy subalgebra if  $(\forall v, \kappa \in X) \xi(v * \kappa) \geq \xi(v) \wedge \xi(\kappa)$  and it is called a fuzzy ideal if  $\xi(0) \geq \xi(v)$  and  $\xi(v) \geq \xi(v * \kappa) \wedge \xi(\kappa)$  for all  $v, \kappa \in X$ .

Further,  $\xi$  is called a fuzzy commutative ideal if  $\xi(0) \geq \xi(v)$  and  $\xi(v * (\kappa * (\kappa * v))) \geq \xi((v * \kappa) * \hbar) \wedge \xi(\hbar)$ .

By the interval number  $\tilde{n}$ , we mean an interval denoted as  $[n^-, n^+]$ , where  $0 \leq n^- \leq n^+ \leq 1$ . We write  $S[0, 1]$  to denote the set of all interval numbers. The interval  $[n, n]$  is indicated by the number  $n \in [0, 1]$  for whatever follows. For the interval numbers  $\tilde{n}_i = [n_i^-, n_i^+]$ ,  $\tilde{m}_i = [m_i^-, m_i^+] \in S[0, 1]$ ,  $i \in I$ , we describe

$$(a) \tilde{n}_i \wedge \tilde{m}_i = [n_i^- \wedge m_i^-, n_i^+ \wedge m_i^+];$$

$$(b) \tilde{n}_i \vee \tilde{m}_i = [n_i^- \vee m_i^-, n_i^+ \vee m_i^+];$$

$$(c) \tilde{n}_1 \leq \tilde{n}_2 \Leftrightarrow n_1^- \leq n_2^- \text{ and } n_1^+ \leq n_2^+;$$

$$(d) \tilde{n}_1 = \tilde{n}_2 \Leftrightarrow n_1^- = n_2^- \text{ and } n_1^+ = n_2^+.$$

Let  $X$  be a *BCK/BCI*-algebra. A mapping  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}} : X \rightarrow S[0, 1]$  is an interval-valued fuzzy set (briefly, IVF set) of  $X$ , where for all  $v \in X$ ,  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) = [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}^-(v), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}^+(v)]$ ,  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}^-$  and  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}^+$  are fuzzy sets of  $X$  with  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}^-(v) \leq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}^+(v)$ .

An IVF set is called an IVF subalgebra if  $(\forall v, \kappa \in X) \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa)$  and it is called an IVF ideal if  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(0) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v)$  and  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa) \forall v, \kappa \in X$ . Moreover,  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is called an IVF commutative ideal if  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(0) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v)$  and  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * (\kappa * (\kappa * v))) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}((v * \kappa) * \hbar) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\hbar) \forall v, \kappa, \hbar \in X$ .

## 3. INTERVAL-VALUED *m*-POLAR FUZZY SUBALGEBRAS

The notion of an IVmPF subalgebra in *BCK/BCI*-algebras is introduced and characterized in terms of subalgebra and fuzzy subalgebra of *BCK/BCI*-algebras.

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $X$  be a nonempty set. An IVmPF set of  $X$  is a mapping  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}} : X \rightarrow S[0, 1]^m$  defined as

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) = (\tilde{\pi}_1 \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v), \tilde{\pi}_2 \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v), \dots, \tilde{\pi}_m \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v))$$

where for  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ ,  $\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}} : X \rightarrow S[0, 1]$  is the  $i^{\text{th}}$ -projection mapping.

That is,

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) = ([\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_1^-(v), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_1^+(v)], [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_2^-(v), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_2^+(v)], \dots, [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_m^-(v), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_m^+(v)])$$

for all  $v \in X$ ,  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-$  and  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+$  are fuzzy sets of  $X$  with  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(v) \leq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(v)$  for all  $v \in X$  and  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ .

We define an order relation on  $S[0, 1]^m$  as pointwise, that is,

$$v \leq \kappa \Leftrightarrow \tilde{\pi}_i(v) \leq \tilde{\pi}_i(\kappa)$$

where  $\tilde{\pi}_i : S[0, 1]^m \rightarrow S[0, 1]$  is the  $i^{\text{th}}$ -projection mapping and  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ . For an element  $[\alpha, \beta] \in S[0, 1]^m$ , we mean that  $([\alpha, \beta], [\alpha, \beta], \dots, [\alpha, \beta])$ , while the element  $[\alpha, \beta] = ([\alpha_1, \beta_1], [\alpha_2, \beta_2], \dots, [\alpha_m, \beta_m])$  represents an arbitrary element of  $S[0, 1]^m$ . Clearly, the elements  $[0, 0]$  and  $[1, 1]$  are the smallest and largest elements in  $S[0, 1]^m$ .

**Definition 3.2.** An *IVmPF* set  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  of  $X$  is called an *IVmPF* subalgebra if

$$(\forall v, \kappa \in X) \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa),$$

that is,

$$(\forall v, \kappa \in X, i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}) \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa) \geq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa).$$

**Example 1.**

Consider a *BCK*-algebra in which  $X = \{0, \wp, \kappa, \ell\}$  and  $*$  is given by the following table:

*	0	$\wp$	$\kappa$	$\ell$
0	0	0	0	0
$\wp$	$\wp$	0	0	$\wp$
$\kappa$	$\kappa$	$\wp$	0	$\kappa$
$\ell$	$\ell$	$\ell$	$\ell$	0

Let  $\widehat{[\omega, \varphi]} = ([\omega_1, \varphi_1], [\omega_2, \varphi_2], \dots, [\omega_m, \varphi_m])$ ,  $\widehat{[\alpha, \beta]} = ([\alpha_1, \beta_1], [\alpha_2, \beta_2], \dots, [\alpha_m, \beta_m]) \in S[0, 1]^m$  such that  $\widehat{[\omega, \varphi]} \geq \widehat{[\alpha, \beta]}$ . Now define an *IVmPF* set  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  on  $X$  as

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) = \begin{cases} ([\omega_1, \varphi_1], [\omega_2, \varphi_2], \dots, [\omega_m, \varphi_m]) & \text{if } v = 0, \\ ([\alpha_1, \beta_1], [\alpha_2, \beta_2], \dots, [\alpha_m, \beta_m]) & \text{if } v = \wp, \\ ([0, 0], [0, 0], \dots, [0, 0]) & \text{if } v \in \{\kappa, \ell\}. \end{cases}$$

It is easy to verify that  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is an *IVmPF* subalgebra.

**Lemma 3.3.** If  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is an *IVmPF* subalgebra of  $X$ , then

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(0) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) \forall v \in X.$$

**Proof.** Let  $v \in X$ . Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(0) &= \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * v) \\ &\geq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) \\ &= \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v), \end{aligned}$$

as required.

**Theorem 3.4.** An *IVmPF* set  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}} = ([\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_1^-, \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_1^+], [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_2^-, \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_2^+], \dots, [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_m^-, \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_m^+])$  is an *IVmPF* subalgebra of  $X \Leftrightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-$  and  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+$  are fuzzy subalgebras of  $X$  for all  $i$ 's.

**Proof.**  $(\Rightarrow)$  Assume that  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}} = ([\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_1^-, \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_1^+], [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_2^-, \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_2^+], \dots, [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_m^-, \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_m^+])$  is an *IVmPF* subalgebra of  $X$ . Then for any  $v, \kappa \in X$ ,

$$\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa) \geq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa) \forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\},$$

implies

$$\begin{aligned} [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(v * \kappa), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(v * \kappa)] &\geq [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(v), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(v)] \wedge [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(\kappa), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(\kappa)] \\ &= [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(v) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(\kappa), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(v) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(\kappa)]. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(v * \kappa) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(v) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(\kappa)$  and  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(v * \kappa) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(v) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(\kappa)$ . Hence,  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-$  and  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+$  are fuzzy subalgebras of  $X$  for all  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ .

$(\Leftarrow)$  For the converse, suppose that  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-$  and  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+$  are fuzzy subalgebras of  $X$  for all  $i$ 's. So for any  $v, \kappa \in X$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa) &= [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(v * \kappa), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(v * \kappa)] \\ &\geq [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(v) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(\kappa), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(v) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(\kappa)] \\ &= [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(v), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(v)] \wedge [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(\kappa), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(\kappa)] \\ &= \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is an *IVmPF* subalgebra of  $X$ .

**Definition 3.5.** Let  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  be any *IVmPF* set. For  $\widehat{[\alpha, \beta]} = ([\alpha_1, \beta_1], [\alpha_2, \beta_2], \dots, [\alpha_m, \beta_m]) \in S[0, 1]^m$  define a level subset  $U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; \widehat{[\alpha, \beta]})$  as follows:

$$U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; \widehat{[\alpha, \beta]}) = \{x \in X \mid \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(x) \geq [\alpha_i, \beta_i] \text{ for all } i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}\}.$$

**Theorem 3.6.** An *IVmPF* set  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is an *IVmPF* subalgebra of  $X \Leftrightarrow$  each nonempty level subset  $U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; \widehat{[\alpha, \beta]})$  is a subalgebra of  $X \forall \widehat{[\alpha, \beta]} = ([\alpha_1, \beta_1], [\alpha_2, \beta_2], \dots, [\alpha_m, \beta_m]) \in S[0, 1]^m$ .

**Proof.**  $(\Rightarrow)$  Take any  $v, \kappa \in U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; \widehat{[\alpha, \beta]})$ . Therefore,  $\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) \geq [\alpha_i, \beta_i]$  and  $\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa) \geq [\alpha_i, \beta_i]$  for all  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ . Having  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  an *IVmPF* subalgebra of  $X$ , implies

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa) &\geq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa) \\ &\geq [\alpha_i, \beta_i] \wedge [\alpha_i, \beta_i] \\ &= [\alpha_i, \beta_i]. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $v * \kappa \in U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; \widehat{[\alpha, \beta]})$ .

$(\Leftarrow)$  Assume that  $U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; \widehat{[\alpha, \beta]})$  is a subalgebra of  $X \forall \widehat{[\alpha, \beta]} \in S[0, 1]^m$ . On contrary, let  $\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa) < \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa)$  for some  $v, \kappa \in X$ . So  $\exists [\gamma, \lambda] = ([\gamma_1, \lambda_1], [\gamma_2, \lambda_2], \dots, [\gamma_m, \lambda_m]) \in S[0, 1]^m$  such that  $\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa) < [\gamma_i, \lambda_i] \leq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa)$  for each  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$  implies  $v, \kappa \in U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; \widehat{[\gamma, \lambda]})$  but  $v * \kappa \notin U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; \widehat{[\gamma, \lambda]})$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore,  $\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa) \geq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa)$  for all  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$  and  $v, \kappa \in X$ .

### Example 2.

Consider a BCK-algebra in which  $X = \{0, \wp, \mathcal{F}, \kappa, \ell\}$  and  $*$  is defined by the following table:

*	0	$\wp$	$\mathcal{F}$	$\kappa$	$\ell$
0	0	0	0	0	0
$\wp$	$\wp$	0	$\wp$	0	0
$\mathcal{F}$	$\mathcal{F}$	$\mathcal{F}$	0	$\mathcal{F}$	0
$\kappa$	$\kappa$	$\kappa$	$\kappa$	0	0
$\ell$	$\ell$	$\ell$	$\kappa$	$\mathcal{F}$	0

Now define an IVmPF set  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  on X as

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) = \begin{cases} [\widetilde{0.8, 0.8}] = ([0.8, 0.8], [0.8, 0.8], \dots, [0.8, 0.8]) & \text{if } v = 0, \\ [\widetilde{0.4, 0.4}] = ([0.4, 0.4], [0.4, 0.4], \dots, [0.4, 0.4]) & \text{if } v = \wp, \\ [\widetilde{0.5, 0.5}] = ([0.5, 0.5], [0.5, 0.5], \dots, [0.5, 0.5]) & \text{if } v = \mathcal{F}, \\ [\widetilde{0.7, 0.7}] = ([0.7, 0.7], [0.7, 0.7], \dots, [0.7, 0.7]) & \text{if } v = \kappa, \\ [\widetilde{0.3, 0.3}] = ([0.3, 0.3], [0.3, 0.3], \dots, [0.3, 0.3]) & \text{if } v = \ell. \end{cases}$$

Therefore,

$$U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; [\widehat{\alpha}, \widehat{\beta}]) = \begin{cases} X, & \text{if } [\widetilde{0, 0}] < [\widehat{\alpha}, \widehat{\beta}] \leq [\widetilde{0.3, 0.3}]; \\ \{0, \wp, \kappa\}, & \text{if } [\widetilde{0.3, 0.3}] < [\widehat{\alpha}, \widehat{\beta}] \leq [\widetilde{0.4, 0.4}]; \\ \{0, \kappa\}, & \text{if } [\widetilde{0.4, 0.4}] < [\widehat{\alpha}, \widehat{\beta}] \leq [\widetilde{0.5, 0.5}]; \\ \{0, \kappa\}, & \text{if } [\widetilde{0.5, 0.5}] < [\widehat{\alpha}, \widehat{\beta}] \leq [\widetilde{0.7, 0.7}]; \\ \{0\}, & \text{if } [\widetilde{0.7, 0.7}] < [\widehat{\alpha}, \widehat{\beta}] \leq [\widetilde{0.8, 0.8}]; \\ \emptyset, & \text{if } [\widetilde{0.8, 0.8}] < [\widehat{\alpha}, \widehat{\beta}] \leq [1, 1]. \end{cases}$$

Since for all  $[\widehat{\alpha}, \widehat{\beta}] \in S[0, 1]^m$ ,  $U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; [\widehat{\alpha}, \widehat{\beta}])$  is a subalgebra of X. Therefore by Theorem 3.6,  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is an IVmPF subalgebra.

## 4. INTERVAL-VALUED m-POLAR FUZZY IDEALS

The notion of an IVmPF ideal in BCK/BCI-algebras is introduced and associated properties of IVmPF ideals and IVmPF subalgebras are considered.

**Definition 4.1.** An IVmPF set  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is called an IVmPF ideal if the following conditions satisfy for all  $v, \kappa \in X$ :

- (1)  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(0) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v)$ ,
- (2)  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa)$ ,

that is,

- (1)  $\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(0) \geq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v)$ ,
- (2)  $\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) \geq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa)$ ,

$\forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ .

### Example 3.

Consider a BCI-algebra in which  $X = \{0, 1, \wp, \kappa, \ell\}$  and  $*$  is defined by the following table:

*	0	1	$\wp$	$\kappa$	$\ell$
0	0	0	$\wp$	$\kappa$	$\ell$
1	1	0	$\wp$	$\kappa$	$\ell$
$\wp$	$\wp$	$\wp$	0	$\ell$	$\kappa$
$\kappa$	$\kappa$	$\kappa$	$\ell$	0	$\wp$
$\ell$	$\ell$	$\ell$	$\kappa$	$\wp$	0

Now define an IV5PF set  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  on X as

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) = \begin{cases} ([0.6, 0.7], [0.5, 0.8], [0.3, 0.4], [0.7, 0.8], [0.6, 0.7]) & \text{if } v = 0, \\ ([0.5, 0.6], [0.3, 0.5], [0.2, 0.3], [0.5, 0.6], [0.4, 0.6]) & \text{if } v = 1, \\ ([0.2, 0.4], [0.1, 0.2], [0.1, 0.2], [0.2, 0.3], [0.2, 0.3]) & \text{if } v \in \{\wp, \ell\}, \\ ([0.3, 0.4], [0.2, 0.3], [0.1, 0.2], [0.3, 0.5], [0.4, 0.5]) & \text{if } v = \kappa, \end{cases}$$

It is routine to verify that  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is an IV5PF ideal.

**Lemma 4.2.** Let  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  be an IVmPF ideal of X and  $v, \kappa \in X$  such that  $v \leq \kappa$ . Then,

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa).$$

**Proof.** Let  $v, \kappa \in X$  such that  $v \leq \kappa$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) &\geq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa) \\ &= \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(0) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa) \\ &= \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa)$ .

**Lemma 4.3.** Let  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  be an IVmPF ideal of X and  $v, \kappa, \hbar \in X$  such that  $v * \kappa \leq \hbar$ . Then,

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\hbar).$$

**Proof.** Let  $v, \kappa, \hbar \in X$  such that  $v * \kappa \leq \hbar$ . Then by Lemma 4.2, we have

$$\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa) \geq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\hbar).$$

As  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is an IVmPF ideal of X, so

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) &\geq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa) \\ &\geq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\hbar) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\hbar)$ .

**Theorem 4.4.** In a BCK4-algebra X, every IVmPF ideal of X is an IVmPF subalgebra.

**Proof.** Suppose that  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is any *IVmPF* ideal and let  $\nu, \kappa \in X$ . As  $\nu * \kappa \leq \nu$  in  $X$ , so by Lemma 4.2,  $\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu) \leq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu * \kappa)$ . Since  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is an *IVmPF* ideal of  $X$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu * \kappa) &\geq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu) \\ &\geq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu * \kappa) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa) \\ &= \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is an *IVmPF* subalgebra.

**Remark 1.** The converse of Theorem 4.4 is not true in general.

**Example 4.**

Consider a *BCK*-algebra in which  $X = \{0, \wp, \kappa, \ell\}$  and  $*$  is described by the following table:

*	0	$\wp$	$\kappa$	$\ell$
0	0	0	0	0
$\wp$	$\wp$	0	$\wp$	0
$\kappa$	$\kappa$	$\kappa$	0	0
$\ell$	$\ell$	$\ell$	$\ell$	0

Now define an *IV3PF* set  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  on  $X$  as:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu) = \begin{cases} ([0.7, 0.8], [0.3, 0.5], [0.2, 0.3]) & \text{if } \nu = 0, \\ ([0.5, 0.6], [0.1, 0.3], [0.1, 0.2]) & \text{if } \nu = \wp, \\ ([0.3, 0.4], [0.1, 0.1], [0.1, 0.1]) & \text{if } \nu = \kappa, \\ ([0.6, 0.7], [0.2, 0.4], [0.1, 0.3]) & \text{if } \nu = \ell. \end{cases}$$

By routine calculation one can verify that  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is an *IV3PF* subalgebra but not an *IV3PF* ideal because  $[0.5, 0.6] = \tilde{\pi}_1 \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\wp) \not\geq \tilde{\pi}_1 \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\wp * \ell) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_1 \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\ell) = [0.6, 0.7]$ .

The following result provides a condition for an *IVmPF* subalgebra to be an *IVmPF* ideal.

**Theorem 4.5.** Let  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  be an *IVmPF* subalgebra of  $X$ . Then  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is an *IVmPF* ideal  $\Leftrightarrow$  for all  $\nu, \kappa, \hbar \in X$  such that  $\nu * \kappa \leq \hbar$  implies  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\hbar)$ .

**Proof.**  $(\Rightarrow)$  Follows from Lemma 4.3.

$(\Leftarrow)$  Let  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  be an *IVmPF* subalgebra such that for all  $\nu, \kappa, \hbar \in X$  with  $\nu * \kappa \leq \hbar$  implies  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\hbar)$ . As  $\nu * (\nu * \kappa) \leq \kappa$ , so by hypothesis

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu * \kappa) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa).$$

Hence,  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is an *IVmPF* ideal of  $X$ .

In the following result, we give a relation between an *IVmPF* ideal and fuzzy ideals of  $X$ .

**Theorem 4.6.** An *IVmPF* set  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}} = ([\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_1^-, \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_1^+], [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_2^-, \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_2^+], \dots, [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_m^-, \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_m^+])$  in  $X$  is an *IVmPF* ideal of  $X \Leftrightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-$  and  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+$  are fuzzy ideals of  $X$  for all  $i$ 's.

**Proof.**  $(\Rightarrow)$  Assume that  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu) = ([\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_1^-(\nu), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_1^+(\nu)], [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_2^-(\nu), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_2^+(\nu)], \dots, [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_m^-(\nu), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_m^+(\nu)])$  in  $X$  is an *IVmPF* ideal of  $X$ . For any  $\nu \in X$ , we have

$$\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(0) \geq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu) \forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\},$$

implies that

$$[\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(0), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(0)] \geq [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(\nu), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(\nu)].$$

It follows that  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(0) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(\nu)$  and  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(0) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(\nu)$ . Take any  $\nu, \kappa \in X$ . By hypothesis, we have

$$\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu) \geq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu * \kappa) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa) \forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\},$$

implies that

$$\begin{aligned} [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(\nu), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(\nu)] &\geq [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(\nu * \kappa), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(\nu * \kappa)] \wedge [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(\kappa), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(\kappa)] \\ &= [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(\nu * \kappa) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(\kappa), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(\nu * \kappa) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(\kappa)]. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(\nu) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(\nu * \kappa) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(\kappa)$  and  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(\nu) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(\nu * \kappa) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(\kappa)$ . Hence,  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-$  and  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+$  are fuzzy ideals of  $X$ .

$(\Leftarrow)$  For the converse, suppose that  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-$  and  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+$  are fuzzy ideals of  $X$ . Then for all  $\nu, \kappa \in X$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(0) &= [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(0), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(0)] \\ &\geq [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(\nu), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(\nu)] \\ &= \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu) &= [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(\nu), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(\nu)] \\ &\geq [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(\nu * \kappa) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(\kappa), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(\nu * \kappa) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(\kappa)] \\ &= [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(\nu * \kappa), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(\nu * \kappa)] \wedge [\tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^-(\kappa), \tilde{\mathcal{G}}_i^+(\kappa)] \\ &= \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu * \kappa) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is an *IVmPF* ideal.

The following result provides a correspondence between an *IVmPF* ideal of  $X$  and an ideal of  $X$ .

**Theorem 4.7.** An *IVmPF* set  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is an *IVmPF* ideal of  $X \Leftrightarrow$  each nonempty level subset  $U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; [\alpha, \beta])$  is an ideal of  $X \forall [\alpha, \beta] = ([\alpha_1, \beta_1], [\alpha_2, \beta_2], \dots, [\alpha_m, \beta_m]) \in S[0, 1]^m$ .

**Proof.**  $(\Rightarrow)$  Let us suppose that  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is an *IVmPF* ideal of  $X$  and  $\nu \in U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; [\alpha, \beta])$ . Then  $\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu) \geq [\alpha_i, \beta_i]$ . By hypothesis,  $\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(0) \geq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu) \geq [\alpha_i, \beta_i]$ . Thus,  $0 \in U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; [\alpha, \beta])$ . Next, take any  $\nu * \kappa \in U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; [\alpha, \beta])$  and  $\kappa \in U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; [\alpha, \beta])$ . Therefore,  $\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu * \kappa) \geq [\alpha_i, \beta_i]$  and  $\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa) \geq [\alpha_i, \beta_i]$ . As  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is an *IVmPF* ideal, so

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu) &\geq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\nu * \kappa) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa) \\ &\geq [\alpha_i, \beta_i] \wedge [\alpha_i, \beta_i] \\ &= [\alpha_i, \beta_i]. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that  $\nu \in U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; [\alpha, \beta])$ . Hence,  $U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; [\alpha, \beta])$  is an ideal.



( $\Leftarrow$ ) Now let  $U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; [\widehat{\alpha}, \widehat{\beta}])$  be an ideal of  $X \forall [\widehat{\alpha}, \widehat{\beta}] \in S[0, 1]^m$ . If  $\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(0) < \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v)$  for some  $v \in X$ . So  $\exists [\widehat{\delta}, \widehat{\gamma}] = ([\delta_1, \gamma_1], [\delta_2, \gamma_2], \dots, [\delta_m, \gamma_m]) \in S[0, 1]^m$  such that  $\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(0) < [\delta_i, \gamma_i] \leq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v)$  for all  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$  implies  $v \in U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; [\widehat{\delta}, \widehat{\gamma}])$  but  $0 \notin U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; [\widehat{\delta}, \widehat{\gamma}])$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore,  $\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(0) \geq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v)$  for all  $v \in X$  and  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ . Again, if  $\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) < \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa)$  for some  $v, \kappa \in X$ . So  $\exists [\widehat{\delta}, \widehat{\gamma}] = ([\delta_1, \gamma_1], [\delta_2, \gamma_2], \dots, [\delta_m, \gamma_m]) \in S[0, 1]^m$  such that  $\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) < [\delta_i, \gamma_i] \leq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa)$  for all  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$  implies  $v * \kappa \in U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; [\widehat{\delta}, \widehat{\gamma}])$  and  $\kappa \in U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; [\widehat{\delta}, \widehat{\gamma}])$  but  $v \notin U(\tilde{\mathcal{G}}; [\widehat{\delta}, \widehat{\gamma}])$ , which is again a contradiction. Therefore,  $\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) \geq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa)$  for all  $v, \kappa \in X$  and  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ .

### 5. INTERVAL-VALUED $m$ -POLAR COMMUTATIVE IDEALS

The notion of an *IVmPF* commutative ideal of *BCK/BCI*-algebras is defined. Relations among the *IVmPF* subalgebras, *IVmPF* ideals and *IVmPF* commutative ideals are discussed.

**Definition 5.1.** An *IVmPF* set  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is called an *IVmPF* commutative ideal if the following conditions satisfy for all  $v, \kappa, \hbar \in X$ :

- (1)  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(0) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v)$ ,
- (2)  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * (\kappa * (\kappa * v))) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}((v * \kappa) * \hbar) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\hbar)$ ,

that is,

- (1)  $\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(0) \geq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v)$ ,
- (2)  $\tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * (\kappa * (\kappa * v))) \geq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}((v * \kappa) * \hbar) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\hbar)$ ,

$\forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ .

#### Example 5.

Consider the *BCK*-algebra  $X$  of Example 1. Let  $[\widehat{\omega}, \widehat{\varphi}] = ([\omega_1, \varphi_1], [\omega_2, \varphi_2], \dots, [\omega_m, \varphi_m])$ ,  $[\widehat{\alpha}, \widehat{\beta}] = ([\alpha_1, \beta_1], [\alpha_2, \beta_2], \dots, [\alpha_m, \beta_m])$ ,  $[\widehat{\delta}, \widehat{\gamma}] = ([\delta_1, \gamma_1], [\delta_2, \gamma_2], \dots, [\delta_m, \gamma_m]) \in S[0, 1]^m$  such that  $[\widehat{\omega}, \widehat{\varphi}] \geq [\widehat{\alpha}, \widehat{\beta}] \geq [\widehat{\delta}, \widehat{\gamma}]$ . Now define an *IVmPF* set  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  on  $X$  as:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) = \begin{cases} [\widehat{\omega}, \widehat{\varphi}] = ([\omega_1, \varphi_1], [\omega_2, \varphi_2], \dots, [\omega_m, \varphi_m]) & \text{if } v = 0, \\ [\widehat{\alpha}, \widehat{\beta}] = ([\alpha_1, \beta_1], [\alpha_2, \beta_2], \dots, [\alpha_m, \beta_m]) & \text{if } v \in \{\mathfrak{f}, \kappa\}, \\ [\widehat{\delta}, \widehat{\gamma}] = ([\delta_1, \gamma_1], [\delta_2, \gamma_2], \dots, [\delta_m, \gamma_m]) & \text{if } v = \ell. \end{cases}$$

It is easy to verify that  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is an *IVmPF* commutative ideal.

**Theorem 5.2.** In any *BCK*-algebra  $X$ , every *IVmPF* commutative ideal of  $X$  is an *IVmPF* ideal.

**Proof.** For any *IVmPF* commutative ideal  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  of  $X$  and  $v, \kappa, \hbar \in X$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) &= \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * (0 * (0 * v))) \\ &\geq \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}((v * 0) * \kappa) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa) \\ &= \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_i \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\kappa). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is an *IVmPF* ideal.

**Corollary 5.3.** Every *IVmPF* commutative ideal of  $X$  is an *IVmPF* subalgebra of  $X$ .

**Remark 2.** In general, the converse of Theorem 5.2 is not true as shown next.

#### Example 6.

Consider a *BCK*-algebra in which  $X = \{0, \mathfrak{f}, \kappa, \ell\}$  and  $*$  is described by the following table:

*	0	$\mathfrak{f}$	$\mathcal{J}$	$\kappa$	$\ell$
0	0	0	0	0	0
$\mathfrak{f}$	$\mathfrak{f}$	0	$\mathfrak{f}$	0	0
$\mathcal{J}$	$\mathcal{J}$	$\mathcal{J}$	0	0	0
$\kappa$	$\kappa$	$\kappa$	$\kappa$	0	0
$\ell$	$\ell$	$\ell$	$\kappa$	$\mathcal{J}$	0

Let  $[\widehat{\theta}, \widehat{\lambda}] = ([\theta_1, \lambda_1], [\theta_2, \lambda_2], \dots, [\theta_m, \lambda_m])$ ,  $[\widehat{\psi}, \widehat{\phi}] = ([\psi_1, \phi_1], [\psi_2, \phi_2], \dots, [\psi_m, \phi_m])$ ,  $[\widehat{\rho}, \widehat{\sigma}] = ([\rho_1, \sigma_1], [\rho_2, \sigma_2], \dots, [\rho_m, \sigma_m]) \in S[0, 1]^m$  such that  $[\widehat{\theta}, \widehat{\lambda}] \geq [\widehat{\psi}, \widehat{\phi}] \geq [\widehat{\rho}, \widehat{\sigma}]$ . Now define an *IVmPF* set  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  on  $X$  as:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v) = \begin{cases} [\widehat{\theta}, \widehat{\lambda}] = ([\theta_1, \lambda_1], [\theta_2, \lambda_2], \dots, [\theta_m, \lambda_m]) & \text{if } v = 0, \\ [\widehat{\psi}, \widehat{\phi}] = ([\psi_1, \phi_1], [\psi_2, \phi_2], \dots, [\psi_m, \phi_m]) & \text{if } v = \mathfrak{f}, \\ [\widehat{\rho}, \widehat{\sigma}] = ([\rho_1, \sigma_1], [\rho_2, \sigma_2], \dots, [\rho_m, \sigma_m]) & \text{if } v \in \{j, \kappa, \ell\}. \end{cases}$$

It can be shown that  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is an *IVmPF* ideal but not an *IVmPF* commutative ideal because  $[\rho_1, \sigma_1] = \tilde{\pi}_1 \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{J}) = \tilde{\pi}_1 \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\mathcal{J} * (\kappa * (\kappa * \mathcal{J}))) \not\geq \tilde{\pi}_1 \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}((\mathcal{J} * \kappa) * 0) \wedge \tilde{\pi}_1 \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(0) = \tilde{\pi}_1 \circ \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(0) = [\theta_1, \lambda_1]$ .

Following two results provide conditions for an *IVmPF* ideal to be an *IVmPF* commutative ideal.

**Theorem 5.4.** Let  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  be an *IVmPF* ideal of  $X$ . Then  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is an *IVmPF* commutative ideal  $\Leftrightarrow$  for all  $v, \kappa \in X$ ,

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * (\kappa * (\kappa * v))) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa).$$

**Proof.** ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Let  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  be an *IVmPF* commutative ideal. Then for all  $v, \kappa, \hbar \in X$ , we have

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * (\kappa * (\kappa * v))) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}((v * \kappa) * \hbar) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\hbar).$$

Taking  $\hbar = 0$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * (\kappa * (\kappa * v))) &\geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}((v * \kappa) * 0) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(0) \\ &= \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(0) \\ &= \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa). \end{aligned}$$

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Let  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  be an *IVmPF* ideal such that  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * (\kappa * (\kappa * v))) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa)$  for all  $v, \kappa \in X$ . By assumption, we have for all  $v, \kappa, \hbar \in X$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * \kappa) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}((v * \kappa) * \hbar) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\hbar).$$

Therefore,  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * (\kappa * (\kappa * v))) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}((v * \kappa) * \hbar) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\hbar)$ , as required.

**Theorem 5.5.** *Let  $X$  be a commutative BCK-algebra. Then every IVmPF ideal of  $X$  is an IVmPF commutative ideal.*

**Proof.** Suppose that  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is an *IVmPF* ideal of  $X$ . Then for all  $v, \kappa, \hbar \in X$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & ((v * (\kappa * (\kappa * v))) * ((v * \kappa) * \hbar)) * \hbar \\ &= ((v * (\kappa * (\kappa * v))) * \hbar) * ((v * \kappa) * \hbar) \\ &\leq (v * (\kappa * (\kappa * v))) * (v * \kappa) \\ &= (v * (v * \kappa)) * (\kappa * (\kappa * v)) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

It follows that  $((v * (\kappa * (\kappa * v))) * ((v * \kappa) * \hbar)) \leq \hbar$ . As  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}$  is an *IVmPF* ideal of  $X$ , then by Lemma 4.3,  $\tilde{\mathcal{G}}(v * (\kappa * (\kappa * v))) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{G}}((v * \kappa) * \hbar) \wedge \tilde{\mathcal{G}}(\hbar)$ .

## 6. CONCLUSION

In this paper, by applying the theory of *IVmPF* on *BCK/BCI*-algebra, the notions of interval-valued  $m$ -polar fuzzy subalgebras, interval-valued  $m$ -polar fuzzy ideals and interval-valued  $m$ -polar fuzzy commutative ideals are introduced and some essential properties are discussed. Characterizations of interval-valued  $m$ -polar fuzzy subalgebras and interval-valued  $m$ -polar fuzzy ideals are considered. Moreover, the relations among interval-valued  $m$ -polar fuzzy subalgebras, interval-valued  $m$ -polar fuzzy ideals and interval-valued  $m$ -polar fuzzy commutative ideals are obtained. This work can be a basis for further analysis of the interval-valued  $m$ -polar fuzzy structures in related algebraic structures. For future study, this concept may be applied to study some application fields like decision-making, knowledge base system, data analysis, and so on. In our opinion, these definitions and main results can be similarly extended to some other algebraic systems such as subtraction algebras, *B*-algebras, *MV*-algebras, *d*-algebras, *Q*-algebras, and so on.

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