



The Dual B-Algebra

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Abstract. This paper introduces and characterizes the notion of a dual B -algebra. Moreover, this study investigates the relationship between a dual B -algebra and a BCK -algebra. Commutativity of a dual B -algebra is also discussed and its relation to some algebras such as CI -algebra and dual BCI -algebra is examined.

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1. Introduction

In 2002, J.Negggers and H.S. Kim [9] introduced and investigated B -algebras which is related to several classes of algebras such as $BCH/BCI/BCK$ -algebras and established that B -algebras are related to groups. In the same year, M.Kondo and Y.B. Jun [4] showed that every B -algebra is group-derived. In 2010, N.O. Al-Shehrie [1] introduced the left-right (resp. right-left) derivation on a B -algebra and some related properties were investigated. In 1996, Y.Imai and K.Iseki [2] introduced two classes of algebras: BCK -algebras and BCI -algebras. It is known that a BCI -algebra is a generalization of a BCK -algebra. In 2007, dual BCK -algebra was introduced by K.H. Kim and Y.H. Yon [3] and some properties were also studied. Moreover, K.H. Kim and Y.H. Yon [3] investigated the relationship between a dual BCK -algebra and an MV -algebra. On the other hand, A. Walendziak [12] defined commutative BE -algebras in 2008 and proved that these are equivalent to the commutative dual BCK -algebras. In 2009, the notions of dual BCI -algebra and CI -algebra were introduced by B.L. Meng [5] together with some of their properties. It is shown that CI -algebra is a generalization of dual $BCK/BCI/BCH$ -algebras. In 2013, A.B. Saeid [11] established the relationship between CI -algebra and dual Q -algebra.

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This paper aims to characterize a dual B -algebra and to investigate the relationship between a dual B -algebra and BCK -algebra. Moreover, commutativity of a dual B -algebra will also be considered. Relationships between commutative dual B -algebra and other algebras such as CI -algebra and dual BCI -algebra will be investigated in this paper.

2. Preliminaries

An algebra of type $(2,0)$ is an algebra with a binary operation and a constant element.

Definition 1. [9] A B -algebra is a non-empty set X with a constant 0 and a binary operation “ $*$ ” satisfying the following axioms for all x, y, z in X :

$$(B1) \ x * x = 0 \quad (B2) \ x * 0 = x \quad (B3) \ (x * y) * z = x * [z * (0 * y)]$$

Example 1. [8] Let $X := \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ be a set with the following Cayley table:

$*$	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	2	1	3	4	5
1	1	0	2	4	5	3
2	2	1	0	5	3	4
3	3	4	5	0	2	1
4	4	5	3	1	0	2
5	5	3	4	2	1	0

Then $(X; *, 0)$ is a B -algebra.

Definition 2. [6] An algebra $(X, *, 0)$ of type $(2,0)$ is called a BCK -algebra if for all x, y, z in X , the following hold:

$$\begin{array}{ll} (BCK1) \ [(x * y) * (x * z)] * (z * y) = 0 & (BCK4) \ x * y = 0 \text{ and } y * x = 0 \text{ imply } x = y \\ (BCK2) \ [x * (x * y)] * y = 0 & (BCK5) \ 0 * x = 0 \\ (BCK3) \ x * x = 0 & \end{array}$$

Lemma 1. [2] In any BCK -algebra $(X, *, 0)$, the following hold for all x, y, z in X :

$$(i) \ x * 0 = x \quad (ii) \ (x * y) * z = (x * z) * y$$

Definition 3. [7] A Q -algebra is a nonempty set X with a constant 0 and a binary operation $*$ satisfying the following axioms: for all x, y, z in X ,

$$(Q1) \ x * x = 0 \quad (Q2) \ x * 0 = x \quad (Q3) \ (x * y) * z = (x * z) * y$$

Definition 4. [11] Let $(X, *, 0)$ be a Q -algebra and a binary operation \circ on X is defined as: $x \circ y = y * x$. Then $(X, \circ, 1)$ is called a *dual Q -algebra*. In fact, its axioms are as follows for all x, y, z in X :

$$(DQ1) \ x \circ x = 1 \quad (DQ2) \ 1 \circ x = x \quad (DQ3) \ x \circ (y \circ z) = y \circ (x \circ z)$$

Definition 5. [5] A *CI-algebra* is an algebra $(X, *, 1)$ of type $(2, 0)$ satisfying the following axioms: for all x, y, z in X , (CI1) $x * x = 1$ (CI2) $1 * x = x$ (CI3) $x * (y * z) = y * (x * z)$

Theorem 1. [11] *Any CI-algebra is equivalent to a dual Q-algebra.*

Definition 6. [5] A *dual BCI-algebra* is an algebra $(X, *, 1)$ of type $(2, 0)$ satisfying the following axioms: for all x, y, z in X ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(DBC1)} \quad &x * x = 1 & \text{(DBC3)} \quad &(x * y) * [(y * z) * (x * z)] = 1 \\ \text{(DBC2)} \quad &x * y = y * x = 1 \text{ implies } x = y & \text{(DBC4)} \quad &x * [(x * y) * y] = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 1. [5] *Let $(X, *, 1)$ be a dual BCI-algebra. Then for all x, y, z in X , the following hold:*

- (i) $x * y = 1$ implies $(y * z) * (x * z) = 1$
- (ii) $x * y = 1$ and $y * z = 1$ imply $x * z = 1$
- (iii) $y * (z * x) = z * (y * x)$
- (iv) $1 * x = x$

3. Dual B-Algebra

Definition 7. A *dual B-algebra* X^D is a triple $(X, \circ, 1)$ where X is a non-empty set with a binary operation “ \circ ” and a constant 1 satisfying the following axioms for all x, y, z in X^D :

$$\text{(DB1)} \quad x \circ x = 1 \quad \text{(DB2)} \quad 1 \circ x = x \quad \text{(DB3)} \quad x \circ (y \circ z) = ((y \circ 1) \circ x) \circ z$$

Remark 1. *If $(X, *, 0)$ is a B-algebra, define “ \circ ” as follows: $x \circ y = y * x$ for all x, y in X . Then $(X, \circ, 0)$ is a dual B-algebra, called the derived dual B-algebra.*

Example 2. Consider the B-algebra $X = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ in Example 1. The dual B-algebra of X is $X^D = (X, \circ, 0)$ with the following table:

\circ	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	1	2	3	4	5
1	2	0	1	4	5	3
2	1	2	0	5	3	4
3	3	4	5	0	1	2
4	4	5	3	2	0	1
5	5	3	4	1	2	0

Define “ \cdot ” as follows: $x \cdot y = y \circ x$. Then $X^{DD} = (X, \cdot, 0)$ is the B-algebra X with Cayley table in Example 1.

Proposition 2. *Let $X^D = (X, \circ, 0)$ be a dual B-algebra. Then $X^{DD} = (X, \cdot, 0)$ is a B-algebra where $x \cdot y = y \circ x$ for all x, y in X^D .*

Proof: Suppose X^D is a dual B-algebra and define “ \cdot ” as follows: $x \cdot y = y \circ x$ for all x, y in X^D . Then the axioms of $X^{DD} = (X, \cdot, 0)$ coincide with that of a B-algebra. Hence, X^{DD} is a B-algebra. □

Example 3. Let $X = \mathbb{R}$ and \circ be defined as $x \circ y = \frac{y}{x}$ for all x, y in X with $x \neq 0$.

Note that X satisfies (DB1): $x \circ x = \frac{x}{x} = 1$, (DB2): $1 \circ x = \frac{x}{1} = x$, and (DB3): $x \circ (y \circ z) = \frac{y \circ z}{x} = \frac{z}{xy} = \frac{z}{\frac{x}{y \circ 1}} = \frac{z}{(y \circ 1) \circ x} = ((y \circ 1) \circ x) \circ z$. Hence, $(\mathbb{R}, \circ, 1)$ is a dual

B -algebra. Observe that $(\mathbb{R}, \circ, 1)$ is not a B -algebra since $4 \circ 1 = \frac{1}{4} \neq 4$. This leads to the next remark.

Remark 2. Not every dual B -algebra is a B -algebra.

Example 4. Let $X = \{e, a, b, c\}$ be the Klein-4 B -algebra with the following table:

\circ	e	a	b	c
e	e	a	b	c
a	a	e	c	b
b	b	c	e	a
c	c	b	a	e

Then the dual X^D of X is itself. Hence, the Klein-4 B -algebra is a dual B -algebra. Observe that the Klein-4 B -algebra has a symmetric Cayley table and is a dual B -algebra itself. Hence, there exists a B -algebra that is also a dual B -algebra. This is generalized in the next theorem.

Let $(X, *, 0)$ be any algebra of type $(2, 0)$ satisfying $x * y = y * x$ for all x, y in X . Then we say that $(X, *, 0)$ satisfies a *symmetric condition*.

Theorem 2. Let X be a B -algebra satisfying a symmetric condition. Then X itself is a dual B -algebra, that is, $X = X^D$.

Proof: Suppose X is a B -algebra satisfying a symmetric condition. Then the dual B -algebra axioms hold, namely (DB1): $x * x = 0$ by (B1), (DB2): $0 * x = x * 0 = x$ by (B2), and (DB3): $x * (y * z) = (z * y) * x = z * [x * (0 * y)] = [(y * 0) * x] * z$ by (B3). Hence, X is a dual B -algebra. □

Example 5. Let $X = \{0, 1, 2\}$ be a set with the following table:

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

Then $(X, *, 0)$ is a B -algebra [9]. Observe that in this example, $1 * (2 * 0) = 1 * 2 = 2 \neq 1 = 1 * 0 = (2 * 1) * 0 = [(2 * 0) * 1] * 0$. This implies that X is not a dual B -algebra.

Remark 3. Not every B -algebra is a dual B -algebra.

Lemma 2. Let X^D be a dual B -algebra. Then for any x, y, z in X^D , we have

- (i) $x \circ y = [(x \circ 1) \circ 1] \circ y$
- (ii) $(x \circ 1) \circ (x \circ y) = y$
- (iii) $(y \circ z) \circ x = z \circ [(y \circ 1) \circ x]$
- (iv) $z \circ x = z \circ y$ implies $x = y$
- (v) $x \circ y = 1$ implies $x = y$
- (vi) $x \circ 1 = y \circ 1$ implies $x = y$
- (vii) $x = (x \circ 1) \circ 1$
- (viii) $(y \circ x) \circ (y \circ 1) = x \circ 1$
- (ix) $x \circ [(x \circ 1) \circ x] = x$
- (x) $x \circ y = 1$ implies $(x \circ z) \circ (y \circ z) = 1$.

Proof: Let X^D be a dual B -algebra and $x, y, z \in X^D$.

- (i) By (DB2) and (DB3), $x \circ y = 1 \circ (x \circ y) = [(x \circ 1) \circ 1] \circ y$.
- (ii) By (DB3), (DB1), and (DB2), $(x \circ 1) \circ (x \circ y) = [(x \circ 1) \circ (x \circ 1)] \circ y = 1 \circ y = y$.
- (iii) By (i) and (DB3), $(y \circ z) \circ x = [((y \circ 1) \circ 1) \circ z] \circ x = z \circ [(y \circ 1) \circ x]$.
- (iv) Suppose $z \circ x = z \circ y$. Then $(z \circ 1) \circ (z \circ x) = (z \circ 1) \circ (z \circ y)$ implies $x = y$ by (ii).
- (v) Suppose $x \circ y = 1$. By (DB1) and (iv), we get $x \circ y = x \circ x$ implying $x = y$.
- (vi) Suppose $x \circ 1 = y \circ 1$. By (DB1), (DB2), (DB3), and (i) we have $1 = x \circ x = 1 \circ (x \circ x) = [(x \circ 1) \circ 1] \circ x = [(y \circ 1) \circ 1] \circ x = y \circ x$. Hence, $y = x$ by (v).
- (vii) By (DB2), (DB3), and (vi), $x \circ 1 = 1 \circ (x \circ 1) = [(x \circ 1) \circ 1] \circ 1$ implies that $x = (x \circ 1) \circ 1$.
- (viii) By (iii) and (DB1), $(y \circ x) \circ (y \circ 1) = x \circ [(y \circ 1) \circ (y \circ 1)] = x \circ 1$.
- (ix) Take $y = z = x$ in (iii). Then apply (DB1) and (DB2).
- (x) By (v), $x \circ y = 1$ implies $x = y$. Hence by (DB1), $(x \circ z) \circ (y \circ z) = (x \circ z) \circ (x \circ z) = 1$. □

The following theorem is a characterization of a dual B -algebra given any algebra with a binary operation and a constant element.

Theorem 3. Let $X = (X, \circ, 1)$ be any algebra of type (2, 0). Then X is a dual B -algebra if and only if for any x, y, z in X ,

- (i) $x \circ x = 1$;
- (ii) $x = (x \circ 1) \circ 1$;
- (iii) $(x \circ y) \circ (x \circ z) = y \circ z$.

Proof: Suppose $X = (X, \circ, 1)$ is a dual B -algebra. Then X satisfies (DB1) and Lemma 2(vii). By (DB3), (DB1), and (DB2), $(x \circ y) \circ (x \circ z) = [(x \circ 1) \circ (x \circ y)] \circ z = [((x \circ 1) \circ (x \circ 1)) \circ y] \circ z = (1 \circ y) \circ z = y \circ z$. It follows that X satisfies (i), (ii), and (iii). Conversely by (iii), (i), and (ii), $1 \circ x = (x \circ 1) \circ (x \circ x) = (x \circ 1) \circ 1 = x$. Hence, X satisfies (DB2). For X to satisfy (DB3), we have $x \circ (y \circ z) = [(y \circ 1) \circ x] \circ [(y \circ 1) \circ (y \circ z)] = [(y \circ 1) \circ x] \circ (1 \circ z) = [(y \circ 1) \circ x] \circ z$ by (iii) and (DB2). Therefore, X is a dual B -algebra. □

Comparing the axioms of a dual B -algebra and a BCK -algebra, we have the following remark.

Remark 4. (DB1) is equivalent to (BCK3) and Lemma 2(v) is equivalent to (BCK4) where the constant 1 corresponds to the constant 0 in a dual B -algebra and BCK -algebra, respectively.

Example 6. Consider the dual B -algebra $X = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ in Example 2. Note that $(X, \circ, 0)$ is not a BCK -algebra since (BCK2) is not satisfied, that is, $[1 \circ (1 \circ 5)] \circ 5 = (1 \circ 3) \circ 5 = 4 \circ 5 = 1 \neq 0$. Also, $2 \circ 1 = 2 \neq 1 = 1 \circ 2$.

Example 7. Consider the Klein-4 dual B -algebra X^D in Example 4. Observe that this example satisfies the symmetric condition but is not a BCK -algebra since $e \circ x \neq e$ for all $x \in X$.

Lemma 3. Let $X^D = (X, \circ, 1)$ be a dual B -algebra satisfying a symmetric condition. Then for all x, y, z in X , $(x \circ y) \circ (z \circ y) = x \circ z$.

Proof: By (DB3), hypothesis, Lemma 2(iii) and (i), (DB1), and (DB2), we have $(x \circ y) \circ (z \circ y) = [(z \circ 1) \circ (x \circ y)] \circ y = [z \circ (x \circ y)] \circ y = [(x \circ y) \circ z] \circ y = [(x \circ y) \circ 1] \circ z \circ y = z \circ [(x \circ y) \circ y] = z \circ (y \circ [(x \circ 1) \circ y]) = z \circ [y \circ (x \circ y)] = z \circ [y \circ (y \circ x)] = z \circ (y \circ [(y \circ 1) \circ x]) = z \circ [((y \circ 1) \circ 1) \circ y] \circ x = z \circ [(y \circ y) \circ x] = z \circ (1 \circ x) = z \circ x = x \circ z. \quad \square$

Proposition 3. Let $X^D = (X, \circ, 1)$ be a dual B -algebra satisfying a symmetric condition. Then X^D satisfies (BCK1), (BCK2), (BCK3), and (BCK4) of a BCK -algebra.

Proof: Suppose X^D is a dual B -algebra satisfying a symmetric condition. Then by (DB2) and the hypothesis, $x = 1 \circ x = x \circ 1$ for all x in X^D . By Remark 4, it remains to show that X^D satisfies (BCK1) and (BCK2). Let $x, y, z \in X^D$. By (DB3), hypothesis, (DB1) and (DB2), $[x \circ (x \circ y)] \circ y = [((x \circ 1) \circ x) \circ y] \circ y = [(x \circ x) \circ y] \circ y = (1 \circ y) \circ y = y \circ y = 1$. Thus, X^D satisfies (BCK2). By Lemma 2 (iii) and hypothesis, $[(x \circ y) \circ (x \circ z)] \circ (z \circ y) = (x \circ z) \circ [((x \circ y) \circ 1) \circ (z \circ y)] = (x \circ z) \circ [(x \circ y) \circ (z \circ y)]$. By the hypothesis, Lemma 3 and (DB1), $[(x \circ y) \circ (x \circ z)] \circ (z \circ y) = [(y \circ x) \circ (z \circ x)] \circ (y \circ z) = (y \circ z) \circ (y \circ z) = 1$. So, X^D satisfies (BCK1). \square

Example 8. Let $X = \{0, a, b, c, d\}$ be a BCK -algebra [10] with the following Cayley table:

*	0	a	b	c	d
0	0	0	0	0	0
a	a	0	a	0	0
b	b	b	0	b	0
c	c	c	c	0	c
d	d	d	d	d	0

Note that $b * a = b \neq a = a * b$. In fact, $0 * b = 0 \neq b$. So, X does not satisfy (DB2) and hence, is not a dual B -algebra.

The following theorem shows that if the symmetric condition holds in a BCK -algebra X , then X is a dual B -algebra.

Theorem 4. If $(X, \circ, 1)$ is a BCK -algebra satisfying a symmetric condition, then X is a dual B -algebra.

Proof: Suppose X is a BCK -algebra satisfying $x \circ y = y \circ x$ for all x, y in X . By Remark 4, it remains to show that X satisfies (DB3) and (DB2). By Lemma 1(i) and (ii) of a BCK -algebra, $[(y \circ 1) \circ x] \circ z = (y \circ x) \circ z = (y \circ z) \circ x$. Since $x \circ y = y \circ x$ for all x, y in X , $(y \circ z) \circ x = x \circ (y \circ z)$. Hence, X satisfies (DB3). By Lemma 1(i) and the hypothesis, $x = x \circ 1 = 1 \circ x$. This implies that X satisfies (DB2). \square

4. Commutativity in a Dual B-algebra

Definition 8. Let X^D be a dual B-algebra. Define a binary operation “+” on X as follows: $x + y = (x \circ 1) \circ y$ for all x, y in X^D . A dual B-algebra is said to be *commutative* if $x + y = y + x$, that is, $(x \circ 1) \circ y = (y \circ 1) \circ x$ for all x, y in X^D .

Example 9. The dual B-algebra $X = \mathbb{R}$ in Example 3 is commutative since for all x, y in \mathbb{R} , $(x \circ 1) \circ y = \frac{y}{x \circ 1} = \frac{y}{1} = xy = \frac{x}{1} = \frac{x}{y \circ 1} = (y \circ 1) \circ x$. However, the dual B-algebra

in Example 2 is not commutative since $(1 \circ 0) \circ 4 = 2 \circ 4 = 3 \neq 5 = 4 \circ 1 = (4 \circ 0) \circ 1$. Observe that $(1 \circ 0) \circ (3 \circ 0) = 2 \circ 3 = 5 \neq 4 = 3 \circ 1$ and $(2 \circ 5) \circ 5 = 4 \circ 5 = 1 \neq 2$.

However, for a commutative dual B-algebra, the following proposition holds.

Proposition 4. Suppose X^D is a commutative B-algebra. Then the following hold for all x, y in X^D : (i) $(x \circ 1) \circ (y \circ 1) = y \circ x$ (ii) $(y \circ x) \circ x = y$.

Proof: Let X^D be a commutative B-algebra. (i) By Definition 8 and Lemma 2(i), $(x \circ 1) \circ (y \circ 1) = [(y \circ 1) \circ 1] \circ x = y \circ x$. (ii) Applying Lemma 2(iii), Definition 8, (DB3), Lemma 2(i), (DB1), and (DB2), $(y \circ x) \circ x = x \circ [(y \circ 1) \circ x] = x \circ [(x \circ 1) \circ y] = [(x \circ 1) \circ 1] \circ y = (x \circ x) \circ y = 1 \circ y = y$. □

Lemma 4. If X^D is a commutative dual B-algebra, then the right cancellation law holds, that is, $x \circ z = y \circ z$ implies $x = y$ for all x, y, z in X^D .

Proof: Suppose X^D is commutative and $x \circ z = y \circ z$ for any x, y, z in X^D . Then by Proposition 4(ii), we can write $x = (x \circ z) \circ z = (y \circ z) \circ z = y$. □

Proposition 5. If X^D is a commutative dual B-algebra, then the following hold for all x, y, z in X^D :

- (i) $x \circ (y \circ z) = y \circ (x \circ z)$ (iii) $x \circ (y \circ x) = (x \circ y) \circ (x \circ 1)$
- (ii) $(x \circ y) \circ z = (z \circ y) \circ x$ (iv) $y \circ [(y \circ x) \circ x] = 1$.

Proof: Suppose X^D is commutative and $x, y, z \in X^D$. (i) By (DB3) and Definition 8, $x \circ (y \circ z) = [(y \circ 1) \circ x] \circ z = [(x \circ 1) \circ y] \circ z = y \circ (x \circ z)$. (ii) Applying Lemma 2(iii) and since X^D is commutative, $(x \circ y) \circ z = y \circ [(x \circ 1) \circ z] = y \circ [(z \circ 1) \circ x] = (z \circ y) \circ x$. (iii) Write $x \circ (y \circ x) = y \circ (x \circ x)$ by (i). Then $y \circ (x \circ x) = y \circ 1 = (x \circ y) \circ (x \circ 1)$ by (DB1) and Lemma 2(viii). (iv) Follows directly from Proposition 4(ii) and (DB1). □

Corollary 1. If X^D is a dual B-algebra satisfying a symmetric condition, then X^D is commutative.

Proof: Let X^D be a dual B-algebra satisfying a symmetric condition. Then $(x \circ 1) \circ y = (1 \circ x) \circ y = x \circ y = y \circ x = (1 \circ y) \circ x = (y \circ 1) \circ x$. This implies that X^D is commutative. □

The following corollary follows from Theorem 4 and Corollary 1.

Corollary 2. *Suppose X is a BCK-algebra satisfying a symmetric condition. Then X is a commutative dual B -algebra.*

The following results present the relationship between a commutative dual B -algebra and some algebras, namely, CI -algebra and dual BCI -algebra. Comparing the axioms and properties of commutative dual B -algebra, CI -algebra and dual BCI -algebra, we have the following remarks.

Remark 5.

- (i) The class of commutative dual B -algebras is a subclass of CI -algebras since (DB1) is equivalent to (CI1), (DB2) is equivalent to (CI2), and Proposition 5(i) is equivalent to (CI3).
- (ii) (DB1) is equivalent to (DBC11), Lemma 2(v) is equivalent to (DBC12), Proposition 5(iv) is equivalent to (DBC14), (DB2) is equivalent to Proposition 1(iv)

Example 10. Consider the non-commutative dual B -algebra $X = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ in Example 2. Now $2 \circ (4 \circ 5) = 2 \circ 1 = 2 \neq 0 = 4 \circ 4 = 4 \circ (2 \circ 5)$. Hence, X does not satisfy (CI3).

The following corollaries follow from Remark 5 and Theorem 1.

Corollary 3. *If X^D is a commutative dual B -algebra, then X^D is a CI -algebra.*

Corollary 4. *Every commutative dual B -algebra is a dual Q -algebra.*

The converse of Corollary 3 is not always true as shown in the following example.

Example 11. Let $X = \{1, a, b, c, d\}$ be a set with the following Cayley table:

$*$	1	a	b	c	d
1	1	a	b	c	d
a	1	1	b	b	d
b	1	a	1	a	d
c	1	1	1	1	d
d	d	d	d	d	1

Then $(X, *, 1)$ is a CI -algebra [5] but is not a dual B -algebra since it does not satisfy (DB3). Indeed, $a \circ (b \circ c) = a \circ a = 1 \neq b = a \circ c = (1 \circ a) \circ c = [(b \circ 1) \circ a] \circ c$.

Theorem 5. *If X is a CI -algebra satisfying a symmetric condition, then X is a commutative dual B -algebra.*

Proof: Suppose X is a CI -algebra satisfying a symmetric condition. By Remark 5, it remains to show that X satisfies (DB3) and that X is commutative. Applying (CI3) and the hypothesis, $x \circ (y \circ z) = y \circ (x \circ z) = (y \circ 1) \circ (z \circ x) = z \circ [(y \circ 1) \circ x] = [(y \circ 1) \circ x] \circ z$. Hence, X satisfies (DB3). By Corollary 1, it follows that X is commutative. □

Example 12. Consider the non-commutative dual B -algebra $X = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ in Example 2. Observe that $(1 \circ 2) \circ [(2 \circ 4) \circ (1 \circ 4)] = 1 \circ (3 \circ 5) = 1 \circ 2 = 1 \neq 0$. Hence, X^D does not satisfy (DBCI3) and so X^D is not a dual BCI -algebra.

However, if commutativity holds for a dual B -algebra, then it is also a dual BCI -algebra as shown in the next theorem.

Theorem 6. *Every commutative dual B -algebra is a dual BCI -algebra.*

Proof: Let X^D be a commutative dual B -algebra. By Remark 5, it remains to show that X^D satisfies (DBCI3). By Proposition 5(ii), Proposition 4(ii), and (DB1), $(x \circ y) \circ [(y \circ z) \circ (x \circ z)] = (x \circ y) \circ [(x \circ z) \circ z] \circ y = (x \circ y) \circ (x \circ y) = 1$. Hence, X satisfies (DBCI3). Therefore, X is a dual BCI -algebra. \square

Note that the converse of Theorem 6 is not always true as shown in the following example.

Example 13. Let $X = \{0, 1, a, b, c\}$ with binary operation “ $*$ ” on X defined by the following table on the left:

$*$	0	1	a	b	c
0	0	0	a	a	a
1	1	0	a	a	a
a	a	a	0	0	0
b	b	a	1	0	1
c	c	a	1	1	0

\circ	0	1	a	b	c
0	0	1	a	b	c
1	0	0	a	a	a
a	a	a	0	1	1
b	a	a	0	0	1
c	a	a	0	1	0

Then $X = (X, *, 0)$ is a BCI -algebra [13]. Note that $(X, \circ, 0)$ is a dual BCI -algebra. Now, $1 \circ (b \circ c) = 1 \circ 1 = 0 \neq 1 = a \circ c = (a \circ 1) \circ c = [(b \circ 0) \circ 1] \circ c$. Thus, X does not satisfy (DB3). Hence, X is not a dual B -algebra.

However if a dual BCI -algebra X satisfies the symmetric condition, then X is also a dual B -algebra as shown in the next theorem.

Theorem 7. *If X is a dual BCI -algebra satisfying a symmetric condition, then X is a commutative dual B -algebra.*

Proof: Suppose X is a dual BCI -algebra satisfying a symmetric condition. Then Proposition 1(iv) becomes $x = 1 \circ x = x \circ 1$. By Remark 5, it remains to show that X satisfies (DB3) and is commutative. Applying the hypothesis, Proposition 1(iii) and (iv), $x \circ (y \circ z) = x \circ (z \circ y) = z \circ (x \circ y) = z \circ [x \circ (1 \circ y)] = [x \circ (1 \circ y)] \circ z = [(1 \circ y) \circ x] \circ z = [(y \circ 1) \circ x] \circ z$. Hence, X satisfies (DB3). Also by the hypothesis and Proposition 1(iii), $(x \circ 1) \circ y = y \circ (x \circ 1) = x \circ (y \circ 1) = (y \circ 1) \circ x$. Therefore, X is commutative. \square

5. Conclusion

In this paper, the notion of a dual B -algebra is presented together with some of its properties and characterizations. Not every B -algebra is a dual B -algebra and not every dual B -algebra is a B -algebra. However, there exists an algebra that is both a B -algebra and a dual B -algebra. The different relationships of the dual B -algebra to BCK -algebra, CI -algebra, and dual BCI -algebra is given. The concept of commutativity in a dual B -algebra was introduced and some properties were provided.

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