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Keywords: BCK-algebra, BCK-module, Exact sequence, Hom functor 2010 AMS: 06F35, 06F25 Received: 30 September 2021 Accepted: 15 February 2022 Available online: 23 February 2022	BCK-modules were introduced as an action of a BCK-algebra over an Abelian group. Homomorphisms of BCK-modules form an exact sequence which is called BCK-sequence. In this paper, we study homomorphisms of BCK-modules. We show that this homomor- phisms have a module structure. Moreover, we show that sequences of Hom functors are BCK-sequences.

1. Introduction

BCK/BCI-algebras were introduced by Imai and Iseki [1, 2]. BCK/BCI-algebras have been studied by many authors, extensively. In 1994, the BCK-module structure of BCK-algebras was introduced as an action on an Abelian group [3]. In [4], exact sequences of BCK-modules were studied. Further, in [5],the authors studied the homomorphisms between BCK-modules and they showed that the set of homomorphisms of BCK-modules form a BCK-module. Later, in [6], homology theory of BCK-modules was investigated. In [7], the authors studied BCK-sequences and finitely presented BCK-modules. The paper organized as follows; in section 2, we give general theory of BCK-algebras and BCK-modules. In section 3, we study the exactness of modules of homomorphisms between BCK-modules.

2. Preliminaries

In this section we introduce the background informations about BCK-algebras, BCK-modules and X-homomorphisms.

Definition 2.1. [8] A BCK-algebra is an algebra (X;*,0) of type (2,0) which satisfies the following axioms: for all $p,q,r \in X$,

((p*q)*(p*r))*(r*q) = 0,
 (p*(p*q))*q = 0,
 (p*p) = 0,
 p*q = 0 = q*p implies p = q.
 0*p = 0.

Moreover, the relation \leq can be defined as $p \leq q$ if and only if p * q = 0, for any $p, q \in X$, is a partial-order on X which is called *BCK-ordering* of X.

Definition 2.2. [6] Let (X;*,0) be a BCK-algebra and M be an Abelian group under addition +, then M is said to be an (left) X-module, if there is a mapping $(x,m) \mapsto xm$ from $X \times M \to M$ such that it satisfies the following conditions for all $x, x_1, x_2 \in X$ and $m, m_1, m_2 \in M$:

1. $(x_1 \wedge x_2)m = x_1(x_2m)$,



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2. $x(m_1 + m_2) = xm_1 + xm_2$, 3. 0m = 0

where, $x_1 \wedge x_2 = x_2 * (x_2 * x_1)$. If X is bounded with maximal element 1, then

4.
$$1m = m$$

The right X-module can be defined similarly. This X-module M is an BCK-module. If a subgroup N of the X-module M is also an X-module, then N is called a *submodule*.

Let *M* and *N* be *X*-modules. A mapping $\phi : M \to N$ is said to be an *X*-homomorphism, if for any $x \in X$ and $m_1, m_2 \in M$ the followings hold:

1. $\phi(m_1 + m_2) = \phi(m_1) + \phi(m_2)$,

2.
$$\phi(xm_1) = x\phi(m_1)$$
.

If ϕ is both injective and surjective, then ϕ is an *X*-isomorphism. We say *M* is isomorphic to *N* if ϕ is an *X*-isomorphism and denote it by $M \cong N$.

The bounded implicative BCK-algebras form a BCK-module over itself (Abujabal et al., 1994). This section devoted to the examples of BCK-modules.

Example 2.3. Let (X; *, 0) be a bounded implicative BCK-algebra with $X = \{0, x, y, 1\}$. Let $M = \{0, x\}$ be a subset of X. If we define addition operation $+ as x + y = (x * y) \lor (y * x)$ and $xm = x \land m$ for all $x \in X$, $m \in M$, then M is an X-module. Cayley table of these operations are as follows:

*	0	x	у	1
0	0	0	0	0
x	x	0	x	0
у	у	у	0	0
1	1	у	x	0

+	0	x
0	0	x
x	x	0
	·	·
\wedge	0	x
0	0	0
x	0	x
v	0	0

x

0

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3. Exact BCK-sequences

Definition 3.1. [7] The sequence of X-module homomorphisms $M_1 \xrightarrow{f} M_2 \xrightarrow{g} M_3$ is said to be exact at M_2 , if Im(f) = Ker(g). A sequence of X-module homomorphisms, $M_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} M_2 \xrightarrow{f_2} \dots \xrightarrow{f_{n-1}} M_n$ is called exact sequence of X-modules, if $\text{Im}(f_i) = \text{Ker}(f_{i+1})$ for all $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$.

Theorem 3.2. Let X be a BCK-algebra and K,L and M be X-modules. If A is an X-module and $0 \to K \xrightarrow{\psi} L \xrightarrow{\phi} M$ is exact, then

$$0 \to \operatorname{Hom}(A, K) \xrightarrow{\psi_*} \operatorname{Hom}(A, L) \xrightarrow{\phi_*} \operatorname{Hom}(A, M)$$

is an exact sequence of X-modules.

Proof. First we show that ψ_* is a monomorphism. Let $\theta : A \to K$ be a *X*-homomorphism with $\psi_*\theta = 0$. Since ψ is a monomorphism, then for any $a \in A$, the identity $\psi_*\theta(a) = 0$ implies that $\theta(a) = 0$. Thus $\theta = 0$. Hence ψ_* is a monomorphism. Let $b \in \text{Im}(\psi_*) \subseteq \text{Hom}(A, L)$. Then there exists $a \in \text{Hom}(A, K)$ such that $\psi_*(a) = b = \psi a$. Since $\phi_*(b) = \phi_*(\psi a) = \phi \psi a = 0$ a = 0, we have $b \in \text{Ker}(\phi_*)$. Hence $\text{Im}(\psi_*) \subseteq \text{Ker}(\phi_*)$. Let $u \in \text{Ker}(\phi_*) \subseteq \text{Hom}(A, L)$. Then $\phi_*(u) = 0$ and $\phi u(a) = 0$ for any $a \in A$. The exactness of the sequence gives that $\text{Ker}(\phi) = \psi(K)$. Thus there exists an $x \in K$ which satisfies $\psi(x) = u(a)$. Then v(a) = x defines a homomorphism $v : A \to K$ with $\psi_*(v) = u$. Thus $\text{Ker}(\phi_*) \subseteq \text{Im}(\psi_*)$. Therefore $\text{Ker}(\phi_*) = \text{Im}(\psi_*)$.

Theorem 3.3. Let X be a BCK-algebra and K,L and M be X-modules. If A is an X-module and $K \xrightarrow{\Psi} L \xrightarrow{\phi} M \to 0$ is exact, then

$$0 \to \operatorname{Hom}(M, A) \xrightarrow{\phi_*} \operatorname{Hom}(L, A) \xrightarrow{\psi_*} \operatorname{Hom}(K, A)$$

is an exact sequence of X-modules.

Proof. First we show that ϕ_* is a monomorphism. Let $\theta : M \to A$ be an *X*-homomorphism and $\theta \in \text{Ker}(\phi_*)$. Since $0 = \phi_* \theta = \theta \phi$, this implies that $\theta(\phi(l)) = 0$ for all $l \in L$. Thus $\theta(m) = 0$ for all $m \in \text{Im}(\phi)$. The fact that ϕ is epimorphism implies that $\text{Im}(\phi) = M$ and $\theta = 0$. Hence ϕ_* is a monomorphism.

Let $b \in \text{Im}(\phi_*) \subseteq \text{Hom}(L,A)$. Then there exists $a \in \text{Hom}(M,A)$ such that $\phi_*(a) = b = a\phi$. Since $\psi_*(b) = \psi_*(a\phi)$ and $\psi_*(a\phi) = a\phi\psi = a0 = 0$, this implies that $b \in \text{Ker}(\psi_*)$. Hence $\text{Im}(\phi_*) \subseteq \text{Ker}(\psi_*)$. Let $u \in \text{Ker}(\psi_*) \subseteq \text{Hom}(L,A)$. Then $\psi_*(u) = 0 = u\psi$. Following the diagram,

$$\begin{array}{cccc} K \stackrel{\psi}{\to} & L & \stackrel{\phi}{\to} & M & \to 0 \\ & u \downarrow & \swarrow & p \\ & A \end{array}$$

There exists $p \in \text{Hom}(M, A)$ such that $u = p\phi = \phi_*(p)$. This implies that $u \in \text{Im}(\phi_*)$. Thus $\text{Ker}(\psi_*) \subseteq \text{Im}(\phi_*)$. Therefore $\text{Ker}(\psi_*) = \text{Im}(\phi_*)$.

Definition 3.4. Let X be a BCK-algebra and M,N and K be X-modules. If the following sequence of X-modules is exact. Then

$$0 \to M \to N \to K \to 0$$

is called short exact sequence.

Theorem 3.5. Let X be a BCK-algebra and M,N and K be X-modules. If the short sequence of X-homomorphisms is exact;

$$0 \to M \stackrel{\psi}{\underset{\eta}{\leftarrow}} N \stackrel{\phi}{\underset{\theta}{\leftarrow}} K \to 0$$

then followings are equivalent;

- 1. There exists an X-homomorphism $\eta : N \to M$ such that $\eta \psi = 1_M$.
- 2. Submodule $Im(\psi)$ is a direct summand of N.
- 3. There exists an X-homomorphism θ : $K \rightarrow N$ suct that $\phi \theta = 1_K$.

Moreover, we have $N \cong M \oplus K$ *.*

Proof. $1 \Rightarrow 2$ Let $x \in N$ be any element. Since $\eta(x - \psi\eta(x)) = \eta(x) - ((\eta\psi)\eta(x)) = \eta(x) - \eta(x) = 0$, then we have $x - \psi\eta(x) \in \text{Ker}(\eta)$. This implies that $x = \psi(\eta(x)) + (x - \psi\eta(x)) \in \text{Im}(\psi) + \text{Ker}(\eta)$. Let $\psi(m) \in \text{Im}(\psi) \cap \text{Ker}(\eta)$. Since $m = \eta\psi(m) = \eta(\psi(m)) = 0$, one can conclude that $\text{Im}(\psi) \cap \text{Ker}(\eta) = 0$. Hence

Let $\psi(m) \in \operatorname{Im}(\psi) \cap \operatorname{Ker}(\eta)$. Since $m = \eta \psi(m) = \eta(\psi(m)) = 0$, one can conclude that $\operatorname{Im}(\psi) \cap \operatorname{Ker}(\eta) = 0$. Hence $N = \operatorname{Im}(\psi) \oplus \operatorname{Ker}(\eta)$.

 $2 \Rightarrow 3$ Let N' be a submodule of N and $N = \text{Im}(\psi) \oplus N'$. Now since $N' \cap \text{Ker}(\phi) = N' \cap \text{Im}(\psi) = 0$, the $\phi|_{N'}$ is a monomorphism. The fact that ϕ is a epimorphism implies that there exists x in N for every $y \in K$ such that $\phi(x) = y$. If we set $x = \psi(a) + b$ for $a \in M, b \in N'$. Then $y = \phi(x) = \phi(\psi(a) + b) = \phi\psi(a) + \phi(b) = \phi(b)$. This implies that $\phi|_{N'}$ is an epimorphism. Thus $\phi|_{N'}$ is an isomorphism. Since $\phi|_{N'}$ is an isomorphism, we can conclude that $\phi|_{N'}$ has an inverse $(\phi|_{N'})^{-1} : K \to N$ for $\theta := (\phi|_{N'})^{-1} : K \to N$ then we have $\phi \theta = 1_K$.

 $3 \Rightarrow 1$ Since $\phi(n - \theta\phi(n)) = \phi(n) - \phi(\theta\phi(n)) = 0$, we have $n - \theta\phi(n) \in \text{Ker}(\phi) = \text{Im}(\psi)$. Then there exists $m \in M$ such that $\psi(m) = n - \theta\phi(n)$. This *m* is unique, since ψ is a monomorphism. Set $\eta : N \to M$ and $\eta(n) = m$ with η is a homomorphism. The equality,

$$\psi(m) - \theta \phi(\psi(m)) = \psi(m) - \theta(\phi \psi(m)) = \psi(m) - \theta(0) = \psi(m)$$
, for every *m* in *M*.

holds, since $\phi \psi(n) = 0$. It follows that $\psi(m) = \psi(m) - \theta \phi(\psi(m))$, and combining this equality with $\psi(m) = n - \theta \phi(n)$, we can deduce that $\psi(m) = n$. Thus $\eta(\psi(m)) = m$, so we have $\eta \psi = 1_M$. Since ψ is a monomorphism, then $\text{Im}(\psi) \cong M$. Therefore, $N \cong M \oplus K$.

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