



## APPLICATIONS OF SOFT SET THEORY TO THE SUBALGEBRAS OF *CI*-ALGEBRAS

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, the applicability of soft set theory to subalgebras of *CI*-algebras is investigated. *CI*-algebras are utilized in algebraic logic and computer science. Soft set theory is a framework for dealing with ambiguous or imprecise information. We employ soft sets to investigate the intersection and union of subalgebras, among other properties of subalgebras of *CI*-algebras. We demonstrate that soft set theory is a valuable tool for analyzing subalgebras of *CI*-algebras and developing new results in this domain. This paper contributes to the comprehension of soft set theory and its applications in *CI*-algebras with the findings presented herein.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Soft set theory, introduced by Molodtsov in 1999 [17], is a mathematical framework that provides a flexible and intuitive way to handle uncertain or imprecise information. It has gained significant attention in various fields, including decision-making, data mining, pattern recognition, and artificial intelligence. Soft set theory allows for the representation and analysis of vague or incomplete information through the concept of a soft set, which is a generalization of classical set theory.

In recent years, there has been a growing interest in combining different mathematical theories to gain new insights and solve complex problems. The combination of soft set theory and BCI-algebras has the potential to provide a deeper understanding of the properties and behaviour of BCI-algebras in the presence of uncertain information.

Kim and Kim introduced the concept of a *BE*-algebra to generalize a BCK-algebra and studied its numerous properties [12]. In an attempt to further develop the concept of *BE*-algebras, Meng introduced *CI*-algebras as a generalization [16]. Subsequently, Kim examined the ideal theory and attributes of *CI*-algebras [11].

This research builds upon previous work in the fields of soft sets and BCI-algebras. Aktas and Cagman [1] introduced the concept of soft sets and their applications in various

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mathematical structures. Huang [5] provided a comprehensive study of BCI-algebras and their properties. Jun [6] extended the concept of soft sets to BCK/BCI-algebras. Jun and Park [9] explored the applications of soft sets in the ideal theory of BCK/BCI-algebras.

Fuzzy soft sets were introduced by Maji et al. [14, 15], who also explored their application in decision-making problems. Since then, research on the theory of soft sets has progressed rapidly. For instance, Jun et al. [7] studied intersection-soft filters in  $R_0$ -algebras, while Roh and Jun [26] investigated positive implicative ideals in  $BCK$ -algebras using intersectional soft sets. Also, Akram [2] introduced the notion of fuzzy soft Lie algebras. Similarly, Roy et al. [27] applied fuzzy soft sets to decision-making problems, and Aygünoğlu et al. [4] proposed and studied the concept of a fuzzy soft group. Moreover, Jun et al. [8] introduced the notion of fuzzy soft  $BCK/BCI$ -algebras (also known as FSB-algebras) by applying the theory of fuzzy soft sets to  $BCK/BCI$ -algebras. Additionally, numerous studies have been conducted by Muhiuddin et al. that explore the application of soft set theory to various algebraic structures [3, 10, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25].

In this paper, we build upon the existing literature by focusing specifically on the relationship between soft sets and subalgebra in  $CI$ -algebras. We aim to provide a comprehensive analysis of this relationship and establish important results that contribute to the understanding of soft set theory in the context of  $CI$ -algebras. The applicability of soft set theory to  $CI$ -algebraic subalgebras is examined in this study. Specifically, by utilising the idea of soft sets, we investigate several subalgebraic qualities like their intersection and union. Additionally, we define a soft ideal as a soft set of a  $CI$ -algebra. It is our intention to demonstrate how soft set theory can be a useful tool for studying and comprehending subalgebras of  $CI$ -algebras.

Following is how the current paper is structured: The terms and characteristics relevant to soft sets and  $CI$ -algebras are covered in Section 2 in detail. Soft set operations are used in Section 3 to examine the intersection, union and other results based on soft  $CI$ -algebras. Our conclusions and possible future study directions are summarised in Section 4 for the conclusion.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

A type  $(2, \theta)$  algebra  $(L_0; *, 1)$  is referred to as a *wwwCI*-algebra (briefly,  $CI$ -A) if it fulfills the following criteria:

- (CI1)  $m_1 * m_1 = 1$ ,
- (CI2)  $1 * m_1 = m_1$ ,
- (CI3)  $m_1 * (m_2 * m_3) = m_2 * (m_1 * m_3)$ ,

for all  $m_1, m_2, m_3 \in L_0$ . A  $CI$ -A  $(L_0; *, 1)$  is said to be *transitive* if it satisfies:

$$(\forall m_1, m_2, m_3 \in L_0) ((m_2 * m_3) * ((m_1 * m_2) * (m_1 * m_3)) = 1). \quad (2.1)$$

A  $CI$ -A  $(L_0; *, 1)$  is said to be *self-distributive* if it satisfies:

$$(\forall m_1, m_2, m_3 \in L_0) (m_1 * (m_2 * m_3) = (m_1 * m_2) * (m_1 * m_3)). \quad (2.2)$$

Note that every self-distributive  $CI$ -A is a transitive  $CI$ -A (see [11]).

A non-empty subset  $\hat{I}$  of a  $CI$ -A  $(L_0; *, 1)$  is called an *ideal* of  $L_0$  (see [11]) if it satisfies:

- (I1)  $(\forall m_1, m_2 \in L_0) (m_2 \in \hat{I} \Rightarrow m_1 * m_2 \in \hat{I})$ ,
- (I2)  $(\forall m_1, r_0, s_0 \in L_0) (r_0, s_0 \in \hat{I} \Rightarrow (r_0 * (s_0 * m_1)) * m_1 \in \hat{I})$ .

Molodtsov [17] presented the following definition of a soft set. Consider an initial universe set  $\widehat{U}$  and a set of parameters  $E$ , with  $\mathcal{Y}(\widehat{U})$  denoting the power set of  $\widehat{U}$ . Let  $\widehat{J}_1 \subset E$ .

**Definition 2.1.** A pair  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  is defined as a *soft set* over  $\widehat{U}$ , where  $\tilde{\rho}$  is a mapping given by  $\tilde{\rho} : \widehat{J}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}(\widehat{U})$ .

Consider two soft sets over a common universe  $\widehat{U}$ , namely  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  and  $(\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$ . The intersection of these two soft sets is defined as the soft set  $(\tilde{h}, \widehat{W})$ , which satisfies the following conditions:

**Definition 2.2.** [13] The *intersection* of  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  and  $(\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$  is given by the soft set  $(\tilde{h}, \widehat{W})$ , where:

- (i)  $\widehat{W} = \widehat{J}_1 \cap \widehat{J}_2$ , and
- (ii) For every  $e \in \widehat{W}$ , we have  $\tilde{h}(e) = \tilde{\rho}(e)$  or  $\tilde{\sigma}(e)$ , since both are the same set.

This intersection is denoted as  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1) \tilde{\cap} (\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2) = (\tilde{h}, \widehat{W})$ .

**Definition 2.3.** [13] The *union* of  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  and  $(\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$  is given by the soft set  $(\tilde{h}, \widehat{W})$ , where:

- (i)  $\widehat{W} = \widehat{J}_1 \cup \widehat{J}_2$ ,
- (ii) For all  $e \in \widehat{W}$ ,

$$\tilde{h}(e) = \begin{cases} \tilde{\rho}(e) & \text{if } e \in \widehat{J}_1 \setminus \widehat{J}_2, \\ \tilde{\sigma}(e) & \text{if } e \in \widehat{J}_2 \setminus \widehat{J}_1, \\ \tilde{\rho}(e) \cup \tilde{\sigma}(e) & \text{if } e \in \widehat{J}_1 \cap \widehat{J}_2. \end{cases}$$

This union is denoted as  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1) \tilde{\cup} (\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2) = (\tilde{h}, \widehat{W})$ .

**Definition 2.4.** If  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  and  $(\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$  are two soft sets over a common universe  $\widehat{U}$ , then the operation "AND" between them, denoted by  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1) \tilde{\wedge} (\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$ , is defined as  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1) \tilde{\wedge} (\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2) = (\tilde{h}, \widehat{J}_1 \times \widehat{J}_2)$ , where  $\tilde{h}(\beta, \beta) = \tilde{\rho}(\beta) \cap \tilde{\sigma}(\beta)$  for all  $(\beta, \beta) \in \widehat{J}_1 \times \widehat{J}_2$ .

**Definition 2.5.** [13] If  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  and  $(\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$  are two soft sets over a common universe  $\widehat{U}$ , then the operation "OR" between them, denoted as  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1) \tilde{\vee} (\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$ , is defined as  $(\tilde{h}, \widehat{J}_1 \times \widehat{J}_2)$ , where  $\tilde{h}(\beta, \beta) = \tilde{\rho}(\beta) \cup \tilde{\sigma}(\beta)$  for all  $(\beta, \beta) \in \widehat{J}_1 \times \widehat{J}_2$ .

**Definition 2.6.** [13] Two soft sets  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  and  $(\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$  over a common universe  $\widehat{U}$  are said to have a soft subset relationship, denoted by  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1) \tilde{\subset} (\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$ , if they satisfy the following conditions:

- (i)  $\widehat{J}_1 \subset \widehat{J}_2$ ,
- (ii) For every  $\varepsilon \in \widehat{J}_1$ ,  $\tilde{\rho}(\varepsilon)$  and  $\tilde{\sigma}(\varepsilon)$  are identical approximations.

For a soft set  $(\tilde{\rho}, L_0)$  over  $\widehat{U}$  and a subset  $\gamma$  of  $\widehat{U}$ , the  $\gamma$ -*inclusive set* of  $(\tilde{\rho}, L_0)$ , denoted by  $(\tilde{\rho}; \gamma) \supseteq$ , is defined to be the set

$$(\tilde{\rho}; \gamma) \supseteq := \{m_1 \in L_0 \mid \gamma \subseteq \tilde{\rho}(m_1)\}.$$

### 3. SOFT CI-ALGEBRAS

In the subsequent discussion, we consider a  $CI$ -A denoted as  $L_0$  and a nonempty set denoted as  $\widehat{J}_1$ . We use the symbol  $R$  to represent an arbitrary binary relation between an element of  $\widehat{J}_1$  and an element of  $L_0$ . Specifically,  $R$  is a subset of the Cartesian product

$\widehat{J}_1 \times L_0$ , unless stated otherwise. A set-valued function  $\tilde{\rho} : \widehat{J}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(L_0)$  can be formally defined as  $\tilde{\rho}(m_1) = \{m_2 \in L_0 \mid m_1 R m_2\}$  for all  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_1$ . The pair  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  can be considered as a soft set over  $L_0$ . The order of an element  $m_1$  in a CI-A  $L_0$  is defined as  $o(m_1)$  and is given by  $o(m_1) = \min\{n \in \mathbb{N} \mid 0 * m_1^n = 0\}$ .

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**Definition 3.1.**  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  is an soft CI-A over  $L_0$  if  $\tilde{\rho}(m_1)$  is a subalgebra of  $L_0$  for every  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_1$ .

Let's illustrate this definition with the examples below.

**Example 3.2.** Let  $X = \{\theta, r_0, s_0, t_0, p_0\}$  be a BCK-algebra with the following Cayley table:

*	$\theta$	$r_0$	$s_0$	$t_0$	$p_0$
$\theta$	$\theta$	$\theta$	$\theta$	$\theta$	$\theta$
$r_0$	$r_0$	$\theta$	$r_0$	$r_0$	$r_0$
$s_0$	$s_0$	$s_0$	$\theta$	$s_0$	$s_0$
$t_0$	$t_0$	$t_0$	$t_0$	$\theta$	$t_0$
$p_0$	$p_0$	$p_0$	$p_0$	$p_0$	$\theta$

Let  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  be a soft set over  $L_0$ , where  $\widehat{J}_1 = L_0$  and  $\tilde{\rho} : \widehat{J}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(L_0)$  is a set-valued function defined by

$$\tilde{\rho}(m_1) = \{m_2 \in L_0 \mid m_1 R m_2 \Leftrightarrow m_2 \in m_1^{-1} I\}$$

for all  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_1$  where  $\hat{I} = \{\theta, r_0\}$  and  $m_1^{-1} \hat{I} = \{m_2 \in L_0 \mid m_1 \wedge m_2 \in \hat{I}\}$ . Then  $\tilde{\rho}(\theta) = \tilde{\rho}(r_0) = L_0$ ,  $\tilde{\rho}(s_0) = \{\theta, r_0, t_0, p_0\}$ ,  $\tilde{\rho}(t_0) = \{\theta, r_0, s_0, p_0\}$ , and  $\tilde{\rho}(p_0) = \{\theta, r_0, s_0, t_0\}$  are subalgebras of  $L_0$ . Therefore  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  is a soft CI-A over  $L_0$ .

Let  $\widehat{J}_1$  be a fuzzy CI-SubA of  $L_0$  with membership function  $\mu_{\widehat{J}_1}$ . Let us consider the family of  $\beta$ -level sets for the function  $\mu_{\widehat{J}_1}$  given by

$$\tilde{\rho}(\beta) = \{m_1 \in L_0 \mid \mu_{\widehat{J}_1}(x) \geq \beta\}, \beta \in [0, 1].$$

Then  $\tilde{\rho}(\beta)$  is a CI-SubA of  $L_0$ . If we know the family  $\tilde{\rho}$ , we can find the functions  $\mu_{\widehat{J}_1}(x)$  by means of the following formula:

$$\mu_{\widehat{J}_1}(m_1) = \sup\{\beta \in [0, 1] \mid m_1 \in \tilde{\rho}(\beta)\}.$$

Thus, every fuzzy CI-SubA  $\widehat{J}_1$  may be considered as the soft CI-A  $(\tilde{\rho}, [0, 1])$ .

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  be a soft CI-A over  $L_0$ . If  $\widehat{J}_2$  is a subset of  $\widehat{J}_1$ , then  $(\tilde{\rho}|_{\widehat{J}_2}, \widehat{J}_2)$  is a soft CI-A over  $L_0$ .

*Proof.* Straightforward. □

The following example shows that there exists a soft set  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  over  $L_0$  such that

- (i)  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  is not a soft CI-A over  $L_0$ .
- (ii) there exists a subset  $\widehat{J}_2$  of  $\widehat{J}_1$  such that  $(\tilde{\rho}|_{\widehat{J}_2}, \widehat{J}_2)$  is a soft CI-A over  $L_0$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** If  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  and  $(\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$  are two soft CI-As over  $L_0$  with a non-empty intersection  $\widehat{J}_1 \cap \widehat{J}_2$ , then their intersection  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1) \cap (\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$  is also a soft CI-A over  $L_0$ .

*Proof.* Let  $(\tilde{h}, \widehat{W})$  be the intersection of  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  and  $(\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$ , where  $\widehat{W} = \widehat{J}_1 \cap \widehat{J}_2$  and  $\tilde{h}(m_1) = \tilde{\rho}(m_1)$  or  $\tilde{\sigma}(m_1)$  for all  $m_1 \in \widehat{W}$ . Since  $\tilde{h} : \widehat{W} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(L_0)$  is a mapping,

$(\tilde{h}, \widehat{W})$  is a soft set over  $L_0$ . As  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  and  $(\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$  are soft *CI*-As over  $L_0$ , we have  $\tilde{h}(m_1) = \tilde{\rho}(m_1)$  or  $\tilde{h}(m_1) = \tilde{\sigma}(m_1)$  is a *CI-SubA* of  $L_0$  for all  $m_1 \in \widehat{W}$ . Therefore,  $(\tilde{h}, \widehat{W}) = (\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1) \tilde{\cap} (\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$  is a soft *CI-A* over  $L_0$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.3.** *Let  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  and  $(\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_1)$  be two soft *CI*-As over  $L_0$ . Then their intersection  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1) \tilde{\cap} (\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_1)$  is a soft *CI-A* over  $L_0$ .*

*Proof.* Straightforward.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.4.** *If  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  and  $(\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_1)$  are two soft *CI*-As over  $L_0$  with disjoint sets  $\widehat{J}_1$  and  $\widehat{J}_2$ , then their union  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1) \tilde{\cup} (\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_1)$  is a soft *CI-A* over  $L_0$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $(\tilde{h}, \widehat{W})$  be the union of  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  and  $(\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$ , where  $\widehat{W} = \widehat{J}_1 \cup \widehat{J}_2$  and for every  $e \in \widehat{W}$ ,

$$\tilde{h}(e) = \begin{cases} \tilde{\rho}(e) & \text{if } e \in \widehat{J}_1 \setminus \widehat{J}_2, \\ \tilde{\sigma}(e) & \text{if } e \in \widehat{J}_2 \setminus \widehat{J}_1, \\ \tilde{\rho}(e) \cup \tilde{\sigma}(e) & \text{if } e \in \widehat{J}_1 \cap \widehat{J}_2. \end{cases}$$

Since  $\widehat{J}_1$  and  $\widehat{J}_2$  are disjoint sets, for every  $x \in \widehat{W}$  we have that either  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_1 \setminus \widehat{J}_2$  or  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_2 \setminus \widehat{J}_1$ . If  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_1 \setminus \widehat{J}_2$ , then  $\tilde{h}(m_1) = \tilde{\rho}(m_1)$  is a *CI-SubA* of  $L_0$  since  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  is a soft *CI-A* over  $L_0$ . Similarly, if  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_2 \setminus \widehat{J}_1$ , then  $\tilde{h}(m_1) = \tilde{\sigma}(m_1)$  is a *CI-SubA* of  $L_0$  since  $(\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$  is a soft *CI-A* over  $L_0$ . Hence,  $(\tilde{h}, \widehat{W}) = (\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1) \tilde{\cup} (\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_1)$  is a soft *CI-A* over  $L_0$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.5.** *If  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  and  $(\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$  are both soft *CI*-As over  $L_0$ , then  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1) \tilde{\wedge} (\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$  is also soft.*

*Proof.* By means of Definition 2.4, we know that

$$(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1) \tilde{\wedge} (\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2) = (\tilde{h}, \widehat{J}_1 \times \widehat{J}_2),$$

where  $\tilde{h}(m_1, m_2) = \tilde{\rho}(m_1) \cap \tilde{\sigma}(m_2)$  for all  $(m_1, m_2) \in \widehat{J}_1 \times \widehat{J}_2$ . Since  $\tilde{\rho}(m_1)$  and  $\tilde{\sigma}(m_2)$  are *CI-SubAs* of  $L_0$ , the intersection  $\tilde{\rho}(m_1) \cap \tilde{\sigma}(m_2)$  is also a *CI-SubA* of  $L_0$ . Hence  $\tilde{h}(m_1, m_2)$  is a *CI-SubA* of  $L_0$  for all  $(m_1, m_2) \in \widehat{J}_1 \times \widehat{J}_2$ , and therefore  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1) \tilde{\wedge} (\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2) = (\tilde{h}, \widehat{J}_1 \times \widehat{J}_2)$  is a soft *CI-A* over  $L_0$ .  $\square$

**Definition 3.3.** In the context of soft *CI*-As over  $L_0$ , a soft *CI-A*  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  is considered *trivial* if  $\tilde{\rho}(m_1) = 0$  for all  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_1$ , and it is considered *whole* if  $\tilde{\rho}(m_1) = L_0$  for all  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_1$ .

**Example 3.4.** Consider the BCI-algebra  $L_0 = \{\theta, r_0, s_0, t_0\}$  introduced in Example 3.2. For  $\widehat{J}_1 = L_0$ , we define  $\tilde{\rho} : \widehat{J}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(L_0)$  as follows:

$$\tilde{\rho}(m_1) = \{\theta\} \cup \{m_2 \in L_0 \mid m_1 R m_2, \Leftrightarrow, o(m_1) = o(m_2)\}$$

for every  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_1$ . It can be observed that  $\tilde{\rho}(x) = L_0$  for all  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_1$ , indicating that  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  forms a whole soft BCI-algebra over  $L_0$ .

Consider a mapping, denoted as  $\bar{\eta} : L_0 \rightarrow Q_0$ , which maps *CI*-As. Now, suppose we have a soft set  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  over  $L_0$ . In this case,  $(\bar{\eta}(\tilde{\rho}), \widehat{J}_1)$  represents a soft set over  $Q_0$ , where  $\bar{\eta}(\tilde{\rho}) : \widehat{J}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(Q_0)$  is defined as  $\bar{\eta}(\tilde{\rho})(m_1) = \bar{\eta}(\tilde{\rho}(m_1))$  for any  $m_1$  belonging to  $\widehat{J}_1$ .

**Lemma 3.6.** *Let  $\bar{\eta} : L_0 \rightarrow Q_0$  be a homomorphism of *CI*-As. If  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  is a soft *CI-A* over  $L_0$ , then  $(\bar{\eta}(\tilde{\rho}), \widehat{J}_1)$  is a soft *CI-A* over  $Q_0$ .*

*Proof.* For every  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_1$ , we have  $\bar{\eta}(\bar{\rho})(m_1) = \bar{\eta}(\bar{\rho}(m_1))$  is a *CI-SubA* of  $Q_0$  since  $\bar{\rho}(m_1)$  is a *CI-SubA* of  $L_0$  and its homomorphic image is also a *CI-SubA* of  $Q_0$ . Hence  $(\bar{\eta}(\bar{\rho}), \widehat{J}_1)$  is a soft *CI-A* over  $Q_0$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.7.** Let  $\bar{\eta} : L_0 \rightarrow Q_0$  be a homomorphism of *CI-As* and let  $(\bar{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  be a soft *CI-A* over  $L_0$ .

- (i) If  $\bar{\rho}(m_1) = \ker(\bar{\eta})$  for all  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_1$ , then  $(\bar{\eta}(\bar{\rho}), \widehat{J}_1)$  is the trivial soft *CI-A* over  $Q_0$ .
- (ii) If  $\bar{\eta}$  is onto and  $(\bar{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  is whole, then  $(\bar{\eta}(\bar{\rho}), \widehat{J}_1)$  is the whole soft *CI-A* over  $Q_0$ .

*Proof.* (i) Assume that  $\bar{\rho}(m_1) = \ker(\bar{\eta})$  for all  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_1$ . Then  $\bar{\eta}(\bar{\rho})(m_1) = \bar{\eta}(\bar{\rho}(m_1)) = \{0_{Q_0}\}$  for all  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_1$ . Hence  $(\bar{\eta}(\bar{\rho}), \widehat{J}_1)$  is the trivial soft *CI-A* over  $Q_0$  by Lemma 3.6 and Definition 3.3.

(ii) Suppose that  $\bar{\eta}$  is onto and  $(\bar{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  is whole. Then  $\bar{\rho}(m_1) = L_0$  for all  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_1$ , and so  $\bar{\eta}(\bar{\rho})(m_1) = \bar{\eta}(\bar{\rho}(m_1)) = \bar{\eta}(L_0) = Q_0$  for all  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_1$ . It follows from Lemma 3.6 and Definition 3.3 that  $(\bar{\eta}(\bar{\rho}), \widehat{J}_1)$  is the whole soft *CI-A* over  $Q_0$ .  $\square$

**Definition 3.5.** Let  $(\bar{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  and  $(\bar{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$  be two soft *CI-As* over  $L_0$ . Then  $(\bar{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  is called a *soft subalgebra* (briefly, *S-SubA*) of  $(\bar{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$ , denoted by  $(\bar{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1) \prec (\bar{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$ , if it satisfies:

- (i)  $\widehat{J}_1 \subset \widehat{J}_2$ ,
- (ii)  $\bar{\rho}(m_1)$  is a *CI-SubA* of  $\bar{\sigma}(m_1)$  for all  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_1$ .

**Example 3.6.** Let  $(\bar{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  be a soft BCK-algebra over  $L_0$  which is given in Example 3.4. Let  $\widehat{J}_2 = \{r_0, t_0, p_0\}$  be a subset of  $\widehat{J}_1$  and let  $G : \widehat{J}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}(L_0)$  be a set-valued function defined by

$$\bar{\sigma}(m_1) = \{m_2 \in L_0 \mid m_1 R m_2 \Leftrightarrow m_2 \in m_1^{-1} \hat{I}\}$$

for all  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_2$ , where  $\hat{I} = \{\theta, r_0\}$  and  $m_1^{-1} \hat{I} = \{m_2 \in L_0 \mid m_1 \wedge m_2 \in \hat{I}\}$ . Then  $\bar{\sigma}(r_0) = L_0$ ,  $\bar{\sigma}(t_0) = \{\theta, r_0, s_0, p_0\}$  and  $\bar{\sigma}(p_0) = \{\theta, r_0, s_0, t_0\}$  are BCK-subalgebras of  $\bar{\rho}(r_0)$ ,  $\bar{\rho}(t_0)$  and  $\bar{\rho}(p_0)$ , respectively. Hence  $(\bar{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$  is a *S-SubA* of  $(\bar{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$ .

**Theorem 3.8.** Let  $(\bar{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  and  $(\bar{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_1)$  be two soft *CI-As* over  $L_0$ .

- (i) If  $\bar{\rho}(m_1) \subset \bar{\sigma}(m_1)$  for all  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_1$ , then  $(\bar{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1) \prec (\bar{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_1)$ .
- (ii) If  $\widehat{J}_2 = \{\theta\}$  and  $(\bar{h}, \widehat{J}_2)$ ,  $(\bar{\rho}, L_0)$  are soft *CI-As* over  $L_0$ , then  $(\bar{h}, \widehat{J}_2) \prec (\bar{\rho}, L_0)$ .

*Proof.* Straightforward.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.9.** Let  $(\bar{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  be a soft *CI-A* over  $L_0$  and let  $(\bar{\sigma}_1, \widehat{J}_{21})$  and  $(\bar{\sigma}_2, \widehat{J}_{22})$  be *S-SubAs* of  $(\bar{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$ . Then

- (i)  $(\bar{\sigma}_1, \widehat{J}_{21}) \tilde{\cap} (\bar{\sigma}_2, \widehat{J}_{22}) \prec (\bar{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$ .
- (ii)  $\widehat{J}_{21} \cap \widehat{J}_{22} = \emptyset \Rightarrow (\bar{\sigma}_1, \widehat{J}_{21}) \tilde{\cup} (\bar{\sigma}_2, \widehat{J}_{22}) \prec (\bar{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$ .

*Proof.* (i) Using Definition 2.2, we can write

$$(\bar{\sigma}_1, \widehat{J}_{21}) \tilde{\cap} (\bar{\sigma}_2, \widehat{J}_{22}) = (\bar{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2),$$

where  $\widehat{J}_2 = \widehat{J}_{21} \cap \widehat{J}_{22}$  and  $\bar{\sigma}(m_1) = \bar{\sigma}_1(m_1)$  or  $\bar{\sigma}_2(m_1)$  for all  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_2$ . Obviously,  $\widehat{J}_2 \subset \widehat{J}_1$ . Let  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_2$ . Then  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_{21}$  and  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_{22}$ . If  $x \in \widehat{J}_{21}$ , then  $\bar{\sigma}(m_1) = \bar{\sigma}_1(m_1)$  is a *CI-SubA* of  $\bar{\rho}(x)$  since  $(\bar{\sigma}_1, \widehat{J}_{21}) \prec (\bar{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$ . If  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_{22}$ , then  $\bar{\sigma}(m_1) = \bar{\sigma}_2(m_1)$  is a *CI-SubA* of  $\bar{\rho}(m_1)$  since  $(\bar{\sigma}_2, \widehat{J}_{22}) \prec (\bar{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$ . Hence  $(\bar{\sigma}_1, \widehat{J}_{21}) \tilde{\cap} (\bar{\sigma}_2, \widehat{J}_{22}) = (\bar{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2) \prec (\bar{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$ .

(ii) Assume that  $\widehat{J}_{21} \cap \widehat{J}_{22} = \emptyset$ . We can write  $(\tilde{\sigma}_1, B_1) \dot{\cup} (\tilde{\sigma}_2, B_2) = (\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$  where  $\widehat{J}_2 = B_1 \cup \widehat{J}_{22}$  and

$$\tilde{\sigma}(m_1) = \begin{cases} \tilde{\sigma}_1(m_1) & \text{if } m_1 \in \widehat{J}_{21} \setminus \widehat{J}_{22}, \\ \tilde{\sigma}_2(m_1) & \text{if } m_1 \in \widehat{J}_{22} \setminus \widehat{J}_{21}, \\ \tilde{\sigma}_1(m_1) \cup \tilde{\sigma}_2(m_1) & \text{if } m_1 \in \widehat{J}_{21} \cap \widehat{J}_{22} \end{cases}$$

for all  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_2$ . Since  $(\tilde{\sigma}_i, \widehat{J}_{2i}) \prec (\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  for  $i = 1, 2$ ,  $\widehat{J}_2 = \widehat{J}_{21} \cup \widehat{J}_{22} \subset \widehat{J}_1$  and  $\tilde{\sigma}_i(m_1)$  is a *CI-SubA* of  $\tilde{\rho}(m_1)$  for all  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_{2i}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Since  $\widehat{J}_{21} \cap \widehat{J}_{22} = \emptyset$ ,  $\tilde{\sigma}(m_1)$  is a *CI-SubA* of  $\tilde{\rho}(m_1)$  for all  $m_1 \in B$ . Therefore  $(\tilde{\sigma}_1, \widehat{J}_{21}) \dot{\cup} (\tilde{\sigma}_2, \widehat{J}_{22}) = (\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2) \prec (\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.10.** Let  $\bar{\eta} : L_0 \rightarrow Q_0$  be a homomorphism of *CI*-As and let  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1)$  and  $(\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$  be soft *CI*-As over  $L_0$ . Then

$$(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1) \prec (\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2) \Rightarrow (\bar{\eta}(\tilde{\rho}), \widehat{J}_1) \prec (\bar{\eta}(\tilde{\sigma}), \widehat{J}_2).$$

*Proof.* Assume that  $(\tilde{\rho}, \widehat{J}_1) \prec (\tilde{\sigma}, \widehat{J}_2)$ . Let  $m_1 \in \widehat{J}_1$ . Then  $\widehat{J}_1 \subset \widehat{J}_2$  and  $\tilde{\rho}(m_1)$  is a *CI-SubA* of  $\tilde{\sigma}(m_1)$ . Since  $\bar{\eta}$  is a homomorphism,  $\bar{\eta}(\tilde{\rho})(m_1) = \bar{\eta}(\tilde{\rho}(m_1))$  is a *CI-SubA* of  $\bar{\eta}(\tilde{\sigma}(m_1)) = \bar{\eta}(\tilde{\sigma})(m_1)$ , and therefore  $(\bar{\eta}(\tilde{\rho}), \widehat{J}_1) \prec (\bar{\eta}(\tilde{\sigma}), \widehat{J}_2)$ .  $\square$

#### 4. CONCLUSION

This investigation successfully applies soft set theory to *CI*-algebraic subalgebras and offers new insights into their properties. We can investigate the intersection and union of subalgebras and the notion of a soft ideal formed by a soft set of a *CI*-algebra, with the help of soft set operations. Our findings create the framework for further research in this area and demonstrate the value of using soft set theory to analyse *CI*-algebraic subalgebras. The results of this work may have an impact on the development of new algorithms and techniques for handling ambiguous data in *CI*-algebras. Overall, this work extends our knowledge of soft set theory and its applications in *CI*-algebras and paves the way for future research in the field.

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