

## On strong IS-algebras

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**ABSTRACT.** IS-algebras with additional condition, so called strong IS-algebras, are introduced, and some properties are investigated. We introduced the notion of a strong IS-algebra endomorphisms. In addition, a congruence relation on a strong IS-algebras is defined. As well as some properties of left and right mappings of strong IS-algebras are investigated.

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### 1. Introduction

Imai and Iséki [5] in 1966 introduced the notion of a BCK-algebra. In the same year, Iséki introduced BCI-algebras [6] as a super class of the class of BCK-algebras. In 1993, Jun et al. [7] introduced a new class of algebras related to BCI-algebras and semigroups, called a BCI-semigroup/BCI-monoid/ BCI-group. In 1998, for the convenience of study, Jun et al. [9] renamed the BCI-semigroup (respectively, BCI-monoid and BCI-group) as the IS-algebra (respectively, IM-algebra and IG-algebra) and studied further properties of these algebras. Not long ago, Park et al. [10] studied the isomorphism theorems in IS-algebras.

Dar introduced the notions of left and right mappings over BCK-algebras in [1] and further discussed in [2]. The notions of left and right mappings over BCI- algebras have been discussed in [3]. In this paper, we discussed IS-algebras with additional condition, so called strong IS-algebras, and investigated several properties. We introduced the notion of strong IS-algebra endomorphisms. Some more properties of left and right mappings of strong IS-algebras are investigated.

### 2. Preliminaries

The following definitions and notations will be used throughout this paper.

By a BCI-algebra we mean an algebra  $(X, *, 0)$  of type  $(2, 0)$  satisfying the following conditions: for every  $x, y, z \in X$ ,

$$(I) ((x * y) * (x * z)) * (z * y) = 0,$$

$$(II) (x * (x * y)) * y = 0,$$

$$(III) x * x = 0,$$

$$(IV) x * y = 0 \text{ and } y * x = 0 \text{ imply } x = y.$$

A BCI-algebra  $X$  satisfying  $0 \leq x$  for all  $x \in X$  is called a BCK-algebra. In any BCI-algebra  $X$  one can define a partial order " $\leq$ " by putting  $x \leq y$  if and only if  $x * y = 0$ .

A BCI-algebra  $X$  has the following properties for any  $x, y, z \in X$  :

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- (a1)  $x * 0 = x$ ,  
 (a2)  $(x * y) * z = (x * z) * y$ ,  
 (a3)  $x \leq y$  implies that  $(x * z) \leq (y * z)$  and  $(z * y) \leq (z * x)$ ,  
 (a4)  $(x * z) * (y * z) \leq x * y$ ,  
 (a5)  $x * (x * (x * y)) = x * y$ ,  
 (a6)  $0 * (x * y) = (0 * x) * (0 * y)$ ,  
 (a7)  $0 * (0 * ((x * z) * (y * z))) = (0 * y) * (0 * x)$ .

A non-empty subset  $I$  of a BCK/BCI-algebra  $X$  is called an ideal of  $X$  if it satisfies: (i)  $0 \in I$  and (ii) if  $x * y \in I$  and  $y \in I$  implies  $x \in I$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . Any ideal  $I$  has the property:  $y \in I$  and  $x \leq y$  imply  $x \in I$ . A non-empty subset  $D$  of a BCI-algebra  $X$  is called a subalgebra of  $X$  if  $x * y \in D$  whenever  $x, y \in D$ . In general, an ideal  $I$  of a BCI-algebra  $X$  need not be a subalgebra. If an ideal  $I$  is also a subalgebra of a BCI-algebra  $X$ , we say that  $I$  is a closed ideal, equivalently, an ideal  $I$  is closed if and only if  $0 * x \in I$  whenever  $x \in I$ .

**Definition 2.1.** [9]. An IS-algebra is a non-empty set  $X$  with two binary operations “ $*$ ” and “ $\cdot$ ” and constant  $0$  satisfying the axioms

- (b1)  $(X, *, 0)$  is a BCI-algebra,  
 (b2)  $(X, \cdot)$  is a semigroup,  
 (b3) the operation “ $\cdot$ ” is distributive (on both sides) over the operation “ $*$ ”, that is,  
 $x \cdot (y * z) = (x \cdot y) * (x \cdot z)$  and  $(x * y) \cdot z = (x \cdot z) * (y \cdot z)$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

Note that the IS-algebra is a generalization of the ring (see [9]).

**Example 2.1.** [11]. Let  $X = \{0, a, b, c\}$  be a set with Cayley tables:

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

$\cdot$	0	a	b	c
0	0	0	0	0
a	0	0	0	0
b	0	0	b	c
c	0	0	c	b

Then  $X$  is an IS-algebra.

**Lemma 2.1.** [7]. Let  $X$  be an IS-algebra. Then we have

- (i)  $0 \cdot x = x \cdot 0 = 0$ ,  
 (ii)  $x \leq y$  implies that  $x \cdot z \leq y \cdot z$  and  $z \cdot x \leq z \cdot y$ , for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

**Definition 2.2.** [9]. A non-empty subset  $A$  of an IS-algebra  $X$  is called a left (resp. right)  $I$ -ideal (here we call it a left (resp. right) IS-ideal) of  $X$  if

- (i)  $x \cdot a \in A$  (resp.  $a \cdot x \in A$ ) whenever  $x \in X$  and  $a \in A$ ,  
 (ii) for any  $x, y \in X$ ,  $x * y \in A$  and  $y \in A$  imply that  $x \in A$ .

Both a left and right IS-ideal is called IS-ideal.

**Definition 2.3.** [8] An IS-ideal  $A$  of an IS-algebra  $X$  is said to be closed if  $x \in A$  implies  $0 * x \in A$ .

**Definition 2.4.** [10] Let  $X, Y$  be IS-algebras. A mapping  $\theta : X \rightarrow Y$  is called a homomorphism if for all  $a, b \in X$ ,  $\theta(a * b) = \theta(a) * \theta(b)$  and  $\theta(a \cdot b) = \theta(a) \cdot \theta(b)$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** If  $X$  is an IS-algebra, then the following are equivalent:

- (i)  $(\forall x \in X) (\mathcal{A}_x = \{y \in X : y \cdot x = 0\})$  is an IS-ideal of  $X$ .  
 (ii)  $(\forall a, b \in X)$  if  $a \cdot b = 0$  implies  $a \cdot z \cdot b = 0$  for all  $z \in X$ .

*Proof.* (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) Let  $a, b \in X$  be such that  $a \cdot b = 0$ . Then  $a \in \mathcal{A}_b$ . Hence,  $a \cdot z \in \mathcal{A}_b$  for every  $z \in X$ . Thus  $a \cdot z \cdot b = 0$  for all  $z \in X$ .

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) Let  $x, z \in X$  and  $a \in \mathcal{A}_x$ . Then  $z \cdot a \cdot x = z \cdot 0 = 0$ . Hence,  $z \cdot a \in \mathcal{A}_x$ . Now by (ii),  $a \cdot z \cdot x = 0$  for every  $z \in X$ . Hence,  $a \cdot z \in \mathcal{A}_x$ . Therefore,  $a \cdot z, z \cdot a \in \mathcal{A}_x$ . Let  $a, z, x \in X$  be such that  $a * z \in \mathcal{A}_x$  and  $z \in \mathcal{A}_x$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= (a * z) \cdot x \\ &= a \cdot x * z \cdot x \\ &= a \cdot x * 0 && \text{(since } z \in \mathcal{A}_x\text{)} \\ &= a \cdot x && \text{(by (a1)).} \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $a \in \mathcal{A}_x$ . Therefore,  $\mathcal{A}_x$  is an IS-ideal of  $X$ .  $\square$

### 3. Strong IS-algebras

**Definition 3.1.** An IS-algebra  $X$  is said to be a strong IS-algebra if

$$0 * (x \cdot y) = (0 * x) \cdot (0 * y) \quad \text{for all } x, y \in X.$$

**Definition 3.2.** A strong IS-algebra  $X$  is said to have an identity if there is an element  $e \in X$  with

$$e \cdot x = x \cdot e = x \quad \text{for all } x \in X.$$

**Example 3.1.** Let  $X = \{0, a, b, c\}$  be a set with Cayley tables:

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

·	0	a	b	c
0	0	0	0	0
a	0	a	0	a
b	0	0	b	b
c	0	a	b	c

Then, by routine calculations, it can be seen that  $X$  is a strong IS-algebra with identity  $c$ .

**Proposition 3.1.** Let  $X$  be a strong IS-algebra. Then

- (i)  $0 * (x \cdot y) = 0 * (0 * (x \cdot y))$  for any  $x, y \in X$ .
- (ii) If  $x \cdot y = 0$ , then  $x \cdot (y * z) = (0 * x) \cdot (0 * z)$  for any  $x, y, z \in X$ .
- (iii) If  $x \cdot z = 0$ , then  $(x * y) \cdot z = (0 * y) \cdot (0 * z)$  for any  $x, y, z \in X$ .

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $X$  be a strong IS-algebra. Then the set  $H = \{x \in X \mid 0 * x = 0\}$  is an IS-ideal of  $X$ .

*Proof.* (i) Let  $y \in X$  and  $a \in H$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 * (y \cdot a) &= (0 * y) \cdot (0 * a) \\ &= (0 * y) \cdot 0 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
0 * (a \cdot y) &= (0 * a) \cdot (0 * y) \\
&= 0 \cdot (0 * y) \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $y \cdot a, a \cdot y \in H$ .

(ii) For  $a, y \in X, a * y \in H$  and  $y \in H$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &= 0 * (a * y) \\
&= (0 * a) * (0 * y) \\
&= (0 * a) * 0 \\
&= (0 * a).
\end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $a \in H$ . Therefore,  $H$  is an *IS*-ideal of  $X$ .  $\square$

Let  $\rho$  be a congruence relation on  $X$ , that is,  $\rho$  is an equivalence relation on  $X$  such that  $(x, y) \in \rho$  implies  $(x * z, y * z) \in \rho, (z * x, z * y) \in \rho, (x \cdot z, y \cdot z) \in \rho$ , and  $(z \cdot x, z \cdot y) \in \rho$  for all  $z \in X$ . The set of all equivalence classes of  $X$  with respect to  $\rho$  will be denoted by  $X/\rho$ . On  $X/\rho$  we define two operations,  $*$ ,  $\cdot$ , as follows:  $[x]_\rho * [y]_\rho = [x * y]_\rho$  and  $[x]_\rho \cdot [y]_\rho = [x \cdot y]_\rho$  for all  $[x]_\rho, [y]_\rho \in X/\rho$ . It is clear that such operation is well-defined, but  $(X/\rho, *, [0]_\rho)$  may not be a BCI-algebra, because  $X/\rho$  does not satisfy the fourth condition of a BCI-algebra. (see [4])

**Proposition 3.2.** [4] *If  $\rho$  is a congruence relation on a BCI-algebra  $G$ , then the following are equivalent:*

- (1) If  $x * y \in [0]_\rho$  and  $y * x \in [0]_\rho$ , then  $(x, y) \in \rho$ ,
- (2)  $\rho$  is regular, i.e.,  $[x]_\rho * [y]_\rho = [0]_\rho = [y]_\rho * [x]_\rho$ ,
- (3)  $(G/\rho, *, [0]_\rho)$  is a BCI-algebra.

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $\rho$  be a regular congruence relation on a strong IS-algebra  $X$ . Then  $X/\rho$  is a strong IS-algebra.*

*Proof.* From Proposition 3.2 it follows that  $(X/\rho, *)$  is a BCI-algebra. Also,  $(X/\rho, \cdot)$  is a semigroup. For every  $[x]_\rho, [y]_\rho, [z]_\rho \in X/\rho$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
[x]_\rho \cdot ([y]_\rho * [z]_\rho) &= [x]_\rho \cdot [y * z]_\rho \\
&= [x \cdot (y * z)]_\rho \\
&= [(x \cdot y) * (x \cdot z)]_\rho \\
&= [x \cdot y]_\rho * [x \cdot z]_\rho \\
&= [x]_\rho \cdot [y]_\rho * [x]_\rho \cdot [z]_\rho
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
([x]_\rho * [y]_\rho) \cdot [z]_\rho &= [x * y]_\rho \cdot [z]_\rho \\
&= [(x * y) \cdot z]_\rho \\
&= [(x \cdot z) * (y \cdot z)]_\rho \\
&= [x \cdot z]_\rho * [y \cdot z]_\rho \\
&= [x]_\rho \cdot [z]_\rho * [y]_\rho \cdot [z]_\rho.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence  $X/\rho$  is an **IS**-algebra. For every  $[x]_\rho, [y]_\rho \in X/\rho$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} [0]_\rho * ([x]_\rho \cdot [y]_\rho) &= [0]_\rho * [x \cdot y]_\rho \\ &= [0 * (x \cdot y)]_\rho \\ &= [(0 * x) \cdot (0 * y)]_\rho \\ &= [0 * x]_\rho \cdot [0 * y]_\rho \\ &= ([0]_\rho * [x]_\rho) \cdot ([0]_\rho * [y]_\rho). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $X/\rho$  is a strong IS-algebra.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.3.** *If  $\rho$  is a congruence relation on an IS-algebra  $X$ , then  $[0]_\rho$  is a closed IS-ideal.*

*Proof.* Let  $a \in [0]_\rho, x \in X$ . Then  $(a, 0) \in \rho$  and hence  $(a \cdot x, 0 \cdot x) = (a \cdot x, 0) \in \rho$ ,  $(x \cdot a, x \cdot 0) = (x \cdot a, 0) \in \rho$ . Thus,  $a \cdot x \in [0]_\rho$  and  $x \cdot a \in [0]_\rho$ .

Let  $x, y \in X$  be such that  $x * y \in [0]_\rho$  and  $y \in [0]_\rho$ . Then  $(x * y, 0) \in \rho$  and  $(y, 0) \in \rho$ . Since,  $(y, 0) \in \rho$ , it follows that  $(x * y, x * 0) = (x * y, x) \in \rho$ . So,  $(x, 0) \in \rho$ . Hence,  $x \in [0]_\rho$ . Therefore,  $[0]_\rho$  is an IS-ideal.

If  $x \in [0]_\rho$ , then  $(x, 0) \in \rho$  and hence  $(0 * x, 0 * 0) = (0 * x, 0) \in \rho$ , that is,  $0 * x \in [0]_\rho$ . Therefore,  $[0]_\rho$  is a closed IS-ideal.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.3.** *Let  $\rho$  be a regular congruence relation on a strong IS-algebra  $X$ . Then the mapping  $\theta : X \rightarrow X/\rho$  defined by  $\theta(x) = [x]_\rho$ , for all  $x \in X$  is a homomorphism.*

#### 4. Strong IS-algebra endomorphisms

**Definition 4.1.** *A mapping  $\eta : X \rightarrow X$  on an strong IS-algebra  $X$  is called an endomorphism if for all  $x, y \in X$ ,  $\eta(x * y) = \eta(x) * \eta(y)$  and  $\eta(x \cdot y) = \eta(x) \cdot \eta(y)$ .*

The set of  $End(X)$  of all endomorphisms of  $X$  forms a semigroup under the binary operation of their composition ( $\circ$ ). Let  $\eta : X \rightarrow X$  be an endomorphism of strong IS-algebra. Then the set  $\{x \in X \mid \eta(x) = 0\}$  is called the kernel of  $\eta$ , and denoted by  $\ker \eta$ .

**Proposition 4.1.** *If  $\eta$  is an endomorphism of a strong IS-algebra  $X$  then*

- (i)  $\eta(0) = 0$ .
- (ii)  $\eta(0 * x) = 0 * \eta(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ .
- (iii) If  $x \cdot y = 0$ , then  $\eta(x) \cdot \eta(y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .
- (iv) If  $\eta(x) = 0$ , then  $\eta(x \cdot y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .
- (v) If  $\eta(y) = 0$ , then  $\eta(x \cdot y) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .
- (vi) If  $x \leq y$ , then  $\eta(x) \leq \eta(y)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .
- (vii) If  $x \leq y$ , then  $\eta(x \cdot z) \leq \eta(y \cdot z)$  and  $\eta(z \cdot x) \leq \eta(z \cdot y)$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .
- (viii) If  $A$  is left (resp. right) IS-ideal of  $X$ , then so is  $\eta(A)$ .
- (ix)  $\ker \eta$  is a closed IS-ideal of  $X$ .

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let  $\eta$  be an endomorphism of a strong IS-algebra  $X$ . Then  $\eta$  is one-to-one if and only if  $\ker \eta = \{0\}$ .*

*Proof.* Assume that  $\eta$  is one-to-one and let  $x \in \ker \eta$ . Then  $\eta(x) = 0 = \eta(0)$ . Thus  $x = 0$ , i.e.,  $\ker \eta = \{0\}$ . Conversely suppose that  $\ker \eta = \{0\}$ . Let  $x, y \in X$  such that  $\eta(x) = \eta(y)$ . It follows that  $\eta(x*y) = \eta(x)*\eta(y) = 0$  and  $\eta(y*x) = \eta(y)*\eta(x) = 0$ . So,  $x*y, y*x \in \ker \eta$ . Thus  $x*y = y*x = 0$ . Hence,  $x = y$ . Therefore,  $\eta$  is one-to-one.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.2.** *Let  $\eta$  be an endomorphism of a strong IS-algebra  $X$ . If  $\eta$  is idempotent, i.e.,  $\eta(\eta(x)) = \eta(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ , then  $\eta$  is one-to-one if and only if  $\eta$  is the identity map.*

*Proof.*  $\implies$ ) Suppose  $\eta$  is one-to-one. For any  $x \in X$ , we have  $\eta(x*\eta(x)) = \eta(x)*\eta(\eta(x)) = \eta(x)*\eta(x) = 0 = \eta(0)$  and so  $x*\eta(x) = 0$  for any  $x \in X$ . Similarly,  $\eta(x)*x = 0$  for any  $x \in X$ . Therefore,  $\eta(x) = x$  for any  $x \in X$  so that,  $\eta$  is the identity map.

$\impliedby$ ) Obvious.  $\square$

**Proposition 4.2.** *Let  $\eta$  be an endomorphism of a strong IS-algebra  $X$  and  $\eta^{-1}(0) = \{0\}$ . Then  $\eta(x) \leq \eta(y)$  imply  $x \leq y$ .*

*Proof.* If  $\eta(x) \leq \eta(y)$ , then we have  $\eta(x*y) = \eta(x)*\eta(y) = 0$ . Hence,  $x*y = 0$ , and so we obtain  $x \leq y$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.3.** *Let  $X$  be a strong IS-algebra and  $\theta \in \text{End}(X)$ . Then the set  $K_\theta = \{(x, y) \in X \times X \mid \theta(x) = \theta(y)\}$  is a congruence relation on  $X$ .*

*Proof.* Clearly,  $K_\theta$  is an equivalence relation on  $X$ . Let  $x, y \in X$  be such that  $(x, y) \in K_\theta$ . Then  $\theta(x) = \theta(y)$ , which implies that  $\theta(x*z) = \theta(x)*\theta(z) = \theta(y)*\theta(z) = \theta(y*z)$ , and  $\theta(x \cdot z) = \theta(x) \cdot \theta(z) = \theta(y) \cdot \theta(z) = \theta(y \cdot z)$ . It follows that  $(x*z, y*z)$  and  $(x \cdot z, y \cdot z) \in K_\theta$  for all  $z \in X$ . The proof of  $(z*x, z*y), (z \cdot x, z \cdot y) \in K_\theta$  for all  $z \in X$  is similar. Therefore,  $K_\theta$  is a congruence relation on  $X$ .  $\square$

**Definition 4.2.** *Let  $X$  be a strong IS-algebra. For a fixed element  $x \in X$ , the mapping  $M_x : X \rightarrow X$  defined by  $M_x(y) = x*y$  for all  $y \in X$ , is called left map on  $X$ . (see [1]).*

**Definition 4.3.** *Let  $X$  be a strong IS-algebra. For a fixed element  $x \in X$ , the mapping  $N_x : X \rightarrow X$  defined by  $N_x(y) = y*x$  for all  $y \in X$ , is called right map on  $X$ . (see [1]).*

It is easy to verify the following:  $(N_x(y) = M_y(x), \text{ for all } x, y \in X)$ ,  $N_0 = N_0^{-1} = \text{id}_X$ .

**Proposition 4.3.** *Let  $X$  be a strong IS-algebra. If  $M = \{M_x \mid x \in X\}$  and  $N = \{N_x \mid x \in X\}$ . Then the left mappings of the set  $(M, \circ)$  compose on  $X$  holding the following interacting properties to  $(M, \circ)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .*

- (a)  $N_0 \circ M_x = M_x = M_x \circ N_0$ .
- (b)  $N_{x \cdot y}(0) = M_0(x) \cdot M_0(y)$ .
- (c)  $M_{x*y} = N_y \circ M_x$ .
- (d)  $N_x \circ M_x = M_0$ .

*Proof.* Routine.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.4.** *Let  $X$  be a strong IS-algebra. Then for all  $x, y \in X$ , the following hold: for every  $x, y \in X$ .*

- (1) If  $x \leq y$ , then  $M_0(x) = M_0(y)$ .  
(2) if  $M_x \leq M_y$ , then  $x \leq y$ .  
(3)  $x = y$  if and only if  $M_x = M_y$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $M_0(x) = 0 * x = (x * y) * x = (x * x) * y = 0 * y = M_0(y)$ .

(2) Suppose  $M_x \leq M_y$ . Then  $M_x(z) * M_y(z) = 0$ , for all  $z \in X$ . Thus we have

$$x * y = (x * y) * 0 = (x * y) * (y * y) = M_x(y) * M_y(y) = 0,$$

and so  $x \leq y$ .

(3) Necessity is obvious. If  $M_x = M_y$ , then

$$x * y = M_x(y) = M_y(y) = 0 = M_x(x) = M_y(x) = y * x.$$

It follows that  $x * y = y * x = 0$ . Therefore,  $x = y$ . □

**Proposition 4.4.** *Let  $X$  be a strong IS-algebra and  $\theta \in \text{End}(X)$ . Then  $\theta \circ M_0 = M_0 \circ \theta$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $x \in X$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} (\theta \circ M_0)(x) &= \theta(M_0(x)) \\ &= \theta(0 * x) \\ &= \theta(0) * \theta(x) \\ &= 0 * \theta(x) \\ &= M_0(\theta(x)) \\ &= (M_0 \circ \theta)(x). \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 4.5.** *Let  $X$  be a strong IS-algebra. The only endomorphism of  $X$  in  $M$  is  $M_0$ , where  $M = \{M_x \mid x \in X\}$ .*

*Proof.* (i) For any  $x, y \in X$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} M_0(x * y) &= 0 * x * y \\ &= (0 * x) * (0 * y) \\ &= M_0(x) * M_0(y). \end{aligned}$$

(ii) For any  $x, y \in X$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} M_0(x \cdot y) &= 0 * (x \cdot y) \\ &= (0 * x) \cdot (0 * y) \\ &= M_0(x) \cdot M_0(y). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $M_0$  is an endomorphism of  $X$ . Now, suppose that  $M_z$  is an endomorphism for non-zero  $z$  in  $X$ . So,  $z = z * 0 = M_z(0) = M_z(0 * 0) = M_z(0) * M_z(0) = 0$ . Thus, we have the contradiction  $z \neq 0$  and  $z = 0$ . Therefore, the only endomorphism of  $X$  in  $M$  is  $M_0$ . □

**Theorem 4.6.** *Let  $X$  be a strong IS-algebra, and let  $\otimes, \odot$  be two binary operations on  $\text{End}(X)$  defined as  $(\gamma \otimes \delta)(x) = \gamma(x) * \delta(x)$  and  $(\gamma \odot \delta)(x) = \gamma(x) \cdot \delta(x)$  for all  $\gamma, \delta \in \text{End}(X)$  and  $x \in X$ . Then  $\text{End}(X)$  is a strong IS-algebra.*

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