

SHEFFER STROKE INK-ALGEBRAS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra is introduced, and their properties are investigated. The independence of the axiom system of a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra has been demonstrated. After describing a G -part and a p -semisimple of a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra, the properties of these structures are examined. An ideal of Sheffer stroke INK-algebra is determined. The relations of a subalgebra and a closed ideal are given. A medial of Sheffer stroke INK-algebra is identified and its features are shown. Finally, a homomorphism between Sheffer stroke INK-algebras is introduced and it is presented that this ideal is preserved under this homomorphism. Moreover, a kernel of a homomorphism is built and it is proved that the kernel is an ideal.

1. Introduction

The study of BCK/BCI-algebras was initiated by Imai and Iséki in 1966 as a generalization of the concept of set-theoretic difference and propositional calculus [15]. It is known that the class of BCK-algebra is a proper subclass of the class of BCI-algebra [5, 8]. Then Hu and Li (1983) are expanding algebra is called BCH-algebra, which is a generalization of BCK-and BCI-algebras. J. Neggers, S. S. Ahn, and H. S. Kim introduced a notion called Q-algebra, which is a generalization of BCH/ BCI/BCK-algebras, and generalized some theorems discussed in BCI-algebra [9]. M. Kaviyarasu, K. Indhira, and V. M. Chandrasekaran introduced a new notion, called INK-algebras which are related to several classes of algebras of interest such as BCK/BCI-algebras [6]. Cho and Kim discussed further relations between INK- algebras and other topics especially quasigroups [4]. A. Borumand Saeid introduced the notion of fuzzy topological B-algebras [1]. Using the notion

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of interval-valued fuzzy set, A. Borumand Saeid introduced the concept of interval-valued fuzzy subalgebras of a B-algebra, and studied some of their properties [2]. For the general development of INK-algebras, the ideal theory and subalgebras play important role.

The Sheffer stroke operation, which was first introduced by H. M. Sheffer [14], engages many scientists' attention, because any Boolean function or axiom can be expressed by means of this operation [7]. It reduces axiom systems of many algebraic structures. So, many researchers want to use this operation on their studies. For example, relation between Sheffer stroke operation and Hilbert algebras [10], filters of strong Sheffer stroke non-associative MV-algebras [11], (Fuzzy) filters of Sheffer stroke BL-algebras [12] and the Sheffer stroke operation reduces of basic algebras [13] are given as some research on Sheffer stroke operation in recent years.

After giving basic definitions and notions about a Sheffer stroke and a INK-algebra, it is defined a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. By presenting fundamental notions about this algebraic structure, it is proved that the axiom system of a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra is independent. It is demonstrated the relationships between a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra and a INK-algebra. A G -part of a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra and a p -semi simple Sheffer stroke INK-algebra are defined and some features related to these structures are given. After determining an ideal, a closed ideal, a subalgebra and a p -ideal of Sheffer stroke INK-algebra, the relationship between this structures are shown. Then a medial of Sheffer stroke INK-algebra is described and it is proved that $G(A)$ is a subalgebra of Sheffer stroke INK-algebra if $(A, |, 0)$ is a medial of Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. Finally defining a homomorphism between Sheffer stroke INK-algebras, it is demonstrated that the ideal is preserved under this homomorphism. Moreover, a kernel of a homomorphism is built and it is proved that the kernel is an ideal.

2. Preliminaries

In this part, we give the basic definitions and notions about a Sheffer stroke and a INK-algebra.

DEFINITION 2.1. [3] Let $\mathcal{A} = \langle A, | \rangle$ be a groupoid. The operation $|$ is said to be *Sheffer stroke* if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (S1) $a_1|a_2 = a_2|a_1$,
 - (S2) $(a_1|a_1)|(a_1|a_2) = a_1$,
 - (S3) $a_1|((a_2|a_3)|(a_2|a_3)) = ((a_1|a_2)|(a_1|a_2))|a_3$,
 - (S4) $(a_1|((a_1|a_1)|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|((a_1|a_1)|(a_2|a_2)))) = a_1$,
- for all $a_1, a_2, a_3 \in A$.

DEFINITION 2.2. [6] A INK-algebra is a nonempty set A with a constant 0 and a binary operation $*$ satisfying the following axioms:

- (INK.1) $a_1 * a_1 = 0$,
 - (INK.2) $a_1 * 0 = a_1$,
 - (INK.3) $0 * a_1 = a_1$,
 - (INK.4) $(a_2 * a_1) * (a_2 * a_3) = a_1 * a_3$,
- for all $a_1, a_2, a_3 \in A$.

DEFINITION 2.3. [6] Let $(A, *, 0)$ be an INK-algebra. For any nonempty subset S of A , we define

$$G(S) = \{a_1 \in S \mid 0 * a_1 = a_1\}.$$

In particular, if $S = A$, then we say that $G(A)$ is the G -part of A .

DEFINITION 2.4. [6] For any INK-algebra, $(A, *, 0)$, the set

$$B(A) = \{a_1 \in A \mid 0 * a_1 = 0\}$$

is called the p -radical of A . If $B(A) = \{0\}$, then we say that A is a p -semisimple INK-algebra.

DEFINITION 2.5. [6] Let $(A, *, 0)$ be an INK-algebra. A nonempty subset I of A is called an ideal of A if it satisfies:

- (i) $0 \in I$,
 - (ii) $a_1 * a_2 \in I$ and $a_2 \in I$ imply $a_1 \in I$,
- for all $a_1, a_2 \in A$.

DEFINITION 2.6. [6] An ideal I of an INK-algebra $(A, *, 0)$ is called closed if $0 * a_1 \in I$, for all $a_1 \in I$.

DEFINITION 2.7. [6] A nonempty subset S of an INK-algebra $(A, *, 0)$ is called a subalgebra of A if $a_1 * a_2 \in S$, for all $a_1, a_2 \in S$.

DEFINITION 2.8. [6] A INK-algebra A is called a medial of INK-algebra if

$$(a_1 * a_2) * (a_3 * a_4) = (a_1 * a_3) * (a_2 * a_4)$$

holds for all $a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4 \in A$.

3. Sheffer stroke INK-algebras

In this part, we define a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra and give some properties.

DEFINITION 3.1. A Sheffer stroke INK-algebra is an algebra $(A, |, 0)$ of type $(2, 0)$ such that 0 is the constant in A and the following axioms are satisfied:

- (sINK.1) $(0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_1|a_1)) = a_1$,
 - (sINK.2) $((a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))) = a_1|(a_3|a_3)$,
- for all $a_1, a_2, a_3 \in A$.

A partial order \leq on A is defined by

$$a_1 \leq a_2 \text{ iff } (a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2)) = 0.$$

Let A be a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra, unless otherwise is indicated.

LEMMA 3.1. *The axioms (sINK.1) and (sINK.2) are independent.*

PROOF. Independence of (sINK.1):

We construct an example for this axiom which is false while (sINK.2) is true.

Let $(\{0, 1\}, |_1)$ be the groupoid defined as follows:

$$\begin{array}{c|cc} |_1 & 0 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$$

Then $|_1$ satisfies (sINK.2) but not (sINK.1) when $a_1 = 1$.

Independence of (sINK.2):

We construct an example for this axiom which is false while (sINK.1) is true. Let $(\{0, 1\}, |_2)$ be the groupoid defined as follows:

$$\begin{array}{c|cc} |_2 & 0 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array}$$

Then $|_2$ satisfies (sINK.1) but not (sINK.2) when $a_1 = 0$, $a_2 = 1$ and $a_3 = 0$. \square

LEMMA 3.2. *Let A be a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. Then the following features hold for all $a_1, a_2, a_3 \in A$:*

- (1) $(a_1|(0|0))|(a_1|(0|0)) = a_1$,
- (2) $(a_1|(a_1|a_1))|(a_1|(a_1|a_1)) = 0$,
- (3) $(a_1|(a_1|a_1))|(a_1|a_1) = a_1$,
- (4) $(0|0)|(a_1|a_1) = a_1$,
- (5) $((a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|a_2) = a_1|a_1$,
- (6) $a_2|(a_2|(a_1|a_1)) = a_1|a_1$,
- (7) $a_1|((a_2|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))) = a_2|((a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3)))$,
- (8) $a_1|(((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_2|a_2))|((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_2|a_2))) = 0|0$,
- (9) $((a_1|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))))|(a_2|a_2) = 0|0$.

PROOF. (1) By (sINK.1), (S1) and (S3), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (a_1|(0|0))|(a_1|(0|0)) &= (((0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|0))| \\ &\quad (((0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|0))) \\ &= ((0|0)|((0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_1|a_1))))| \\ &\quad ((0|0)|((0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_1|a_1)))) \\ &= (((((0|0)|0)|((0|0)|0))|(a_1|a_1))|(((0|0)|0)|((0|0)|0))|(a_1|a_1)) \\ &= (((0|(0|0))|(0|(0|0))|(a_1|a_1))|(((0|(0|0))|(0|(0|0))|(a_1|a_1))) \\ &= (0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_1|a_1)) \\ &= a_1. \end{aligned}$$

(2) By (S2), (sINK.2) and (1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (a_1|(a_1|a_1))|(a_1|(a_1|a_1)) &= (((a_1|(0|0))|(a_1|(0|0))|(a_1|(0|0))| \\ &\quad (((a_1|(0|0))|(a_1|(0|0))|(a_1|(0|0)))) \\ &= (0|(0|0))|(0|(0|0)) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

(3) Substituting $[a_2 := (a_1|a_1)]$ in (S2), we obtain $(a_1|a_1)|(a_1|(a_1|a_1)) = a_1$. Then $(a_1|(a_1|a_1)|(a_1|a_1) = a_1$ from (S1).

(4) By (S1), (S2) and (2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} (0|0)|(a_1|a_1) &= (((a_1|(a_1|a_1))|(a_1|(a_1|a_1)))|((a_1|(a_1|a_1))|(a_1|(a_1|a_1))))|(a_1|a_1) \\ &= (a_1|(a_1|a_1)|(a_1|a_1) \\ &= (a_1|a_1)|(a_1|(a_1|a_1)) \\ &= a_1. \end{aligned}$$

(5) By (S2), (1) and (sINK.2), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} ((a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|a_2) &= ((a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(0|0))) \\ &= (a_1|(0|0)) \\ &= a_1|a_1. \end{aligned}$$

(6) By (sINK.1), (sINK.2), (S2) and (1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} a_2|(a_2|(a_1|a_1)) &= ((a_2|(0|0))|(a_2|(0|0))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))) \\ &= 0|(a_1|a_1) \\ &= a_1|a_1. \end{aligned}$$

(7) By (S1) and (S3), we have

$$\begin{aligned} a_1|((a_2|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))) &= (((a_1|a_2)|(a_1|a_2))|(a_3|a_3)) \\ &= (((a_2|a_1)|(a_2|a_1))|(a_3|a_3)) \\ &= a_2|((a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))). \end{aligned}$$

(8) In (S3), by substituting $[a_2 := a_1|(a_2|a_2)]$ and $[a_3 := a_2|a_2]$ and applying (S1), (S2), (S3) and (2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} a_1|(((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_2|a_2))|((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_2|a_2))) \\ &= a_1|(((a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|((a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2)))) \\ &= ((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))) \\ &= (a_1|(a_2|a_2))|((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))) \\ &= 0|0. \end{aligned}$$

(9) By (S1), (S2), (S3) and (2), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} ((a_1|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))))|(a_2|a_2) \\ &= ((a_2|a_2)|((a_1|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_1|(a_2|a_2)))) \\ &= (((a_2|a_2)|a_1)|((a_2|a_2)|a_1))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2)) \\ &= (a_1|(a_2|a_2))|((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))) \\ &= 0|0. \end{aligned}$$

□

PROPOSITION 3.1. *Let $(A, |, 0)$ be a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. Then*

$$((a_2|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|a_1) = a_3|(a_2|(a_1|a_1)),$$

for all $a_1, a_2, a_3 \in A$.

PROOF. Let $(A, |, 0)$ be a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. Put $[a_1 := (a_2|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))]$ and $[a_3 := a_1]$ in (sINK.2) and by using (S2), Lemma 3.2 (6), we get

$$\begin{aligned} ((a_2|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|a_1)) &= ((a_2|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))))|(a_2|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1)) \\ &= ((a_3|a_3)|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1)) \\ &= a_3|(a_2|(a_1|a_1)). \end{aligned}$$

□

PROPOSITION 3.2. *Let $(A, |, 0)$ be a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. Then*

- (1) *If $(a_1|(0|0))|(a_1|(0|0)) = 0$ then $a_1 = 0$,*
- (2) *$((((a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))) \leq (a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3)),$*
- (3) *If $a_1 \leq a_2$, then $((a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))) \leq ((a_2|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3)))$ and $((a_3|(a_2|a_2))|(a_3|(a_2|a_2))) \leq ((a_3|(a_1|a_1))|(a_3|(a_1|a_1))),$*
- (4) *$a_2|(a_2|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))) = a_2|(a_1|a_1),$*
- (5) *$0|(a_2|(a_1|a_1)) = ((0|(a_2|a_2))|(0|(a_2|a_2))|(0|(a_1|a_1))),$*
- (6) *$((a_2|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))))|(a_1|a_1)) = 0|0,$*
- (7) *If $a_1|(a_2|a_2) = 0|0$ and $a_2|(a_1|a_1) = 0|0$ then $a_1 = a_2$,*
for all $a_1, a_2, a_3 \in A$.

PROOF. (1) $(a_1|(0|0))|(a_1|(0|0)) = a_1$ from Lemma 3.2 (1). If $(a_1|(0|0))|(a_1|(0|0)) = 0$, then $a_1 = 0$.

(2) By (S2) and (sINK.2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} &(((a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))) \\ &|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))) \\ &= (((a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))) \\ &|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))) \\ &= ((a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))) \\ &= (a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3)) \\ &= 0|0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $((((a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))) \leq (a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))$ from (S2).

(3) Let $a_1 \leq a_2$. Then $(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2)) = 0$. Since $(a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3)) = 0$, by $(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2)) = 0$, by (2), we get $((((a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))) = 0$. Hence, $((a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))) \leq ((a_2|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3)))$. Similarly, $((a_3|(a_2|a_2))|(a_3|(a_2|a_2))) \leq ((a_3|(a_1|a_1))|(a_3|(a_1|a_1)))$.

(4) By (S2), Lemma 3.2 (1), (sINK.1) and (sINK.2), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
a_2|(a_2|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))) &= ((a_2|(0|0))|(a_2|(0|0))|(a_2|(a_2|(a_1|a_1)))) \\
&= 0|(a_2|(a_1|a_1)) \\
&= 0|((a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))) \\
&= a_2|(a_1|a_1).
\end{aligned}$$

(5) By Lemma 3.2 (2), (S2), (sINK.1) and (sINK.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
0|(a_2|(a_1|a_1)) &= ((a_2|(a_2|a_2))|(a_2|(a_2|a_2))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))) \\
&= (a_2|(a_1|a_1)) \\
&= ((0|(a_2|a_2))|(0|(a_2|a_2))|(0|(a_1|a_1))).
\end{aligned}$$

(6) By Lemma 3.2 (2), (6) and (S2), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
((a_2|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))))|(a_1|a_1) &= ((a_1|a_1)|(a_1|a_1))|(a_1|a_1) \\
&= a_1|(a_1|a_1) \\
&= 0|0.
\end{aligned}$$

(7) If $a_1|(a_2|a_2) = 0|0$ and $a_2|(a_1|a_1) = 0|0$ then

$$\begin{aligned}
a_1 &= (a_1|(0|0))|(a_1|(0|0)) \\
&= (a_1|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_1|(a_2|a_2)))) \\
&= (a_2|a_2)|(a_2|a_2) \\
&= a_2
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
a_2 &= (a_2|(0|0))|(a_2|(0|0)) \\
&= (a_2|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_2|(a_1|a_1)))) \\
&= (a_1|a_1)|(a_1|a_1) \\
&= a_1
\end{aligned}$$

from (S2), Lemma 3.2 (1) and (6). \square

THEOREM 3.1. *Let $(A, |, 0)$ be a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. If we define*

$$a_1 * a_2 := (a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2)),$$

*then $(A, *, 0)$ is a INK-algebra.*

PROOF. By using (S2), (sINK.1), (sINK.2), Lemma 3.2 (1) and (2), we have

$$(INK.1) : a_1 * a_1 = (a_1|(a_1|a_1))|(a_1|(a_1|a_1)) = 0.$$

$$(INK.2) : a_1 * 0 = (a_1|(0|0))|(a_1|(0|0)) = a_1.$$

$$(INK.3) : 0 * a_1 = (0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_1|a_1)) = a_1.$$

(INK.4):

$$\begin{aligned}
(a_2 * a_1) * (a_2 * a_3) &= (((a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3)))| \\
&\quad (((a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3)))) \\
&= (a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3)) \\
&= a_1 * a_3.
\end{aligned}$$

Then $(A, *, 0)$ is a INK-algebra. \square

THEOREM 3.2. *Let $(A, *, 0, 1)$ be a bounded INK-algebra. If we define $a_1|a_2 := (a_1 * a_2^0)^0$ and $a_1^0 = 1 * a_1$, where $a_1 * (1 * a_1) = a_1$ and $1 * (1 * a_1) = a_1$, then $(A, |, 0)$ is a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra.*

PROOF. (*sINK.1*) : By using (INK.3), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_1|a_1)) &= (0|a_1^0)|(0|a_1^0) \\ &= (0 * a_1)^0|(0 * a_1)^0 \\ &= ((0 * a_1)^0)^0 \\ &= 0 * a_1 \\ &= a_1. \end{aligned}$$

(*sINK.2*) : By using (INK.4), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} ((a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))) &= ((a_2 * a_1)^0|(a_2 * a_1)^0)|(a_2 * a_3)^0 \\ &= ((a_2 * a_1)^0)^0|(a_2 * a_3)^0 \\ &= (a_2 * a_1)|(a_2 * a_3)^0 \\ &= ((a_2 * a_1) * (a_2 * a_3))^0 \\ &= (a_1 * a_3)^0 \\ &= (a_1|a_3^0) \\ &= (a_1|(a_3|a_3)). \end{aligned}$$

Then $(A, |, 0)$ is a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. \square

4. The G -part of Sheffer stroke INK-algebras

In this section, we investigate the some properties of the G -part in Sheffer stroke INK-algebras.

DEFINITION 4.1. Let $(A, |, 0)$ be a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. For any non-empty subset S , of A , we define

$$G(S) = \{a_1 \in S : (0|(a_1|a_1)) = a_1|a_1\}.$$

In particular, if $S = A$, then we say that $G(A)$ is the G -part of A .

DEFINITION 4.2. For any Sheffer stroke INK-algebra $(A, |, 0)$, the set

$$B(A) = \{a_1 \in A : (0|(a_1|a_1)) = 0|0\}$$

is called the p -radical of A . If $B(A) = \{0\}$, then we say that A is a p -semisimple Sheffer stroke INK-algebra.

PROPOSITION 4.1. *Let $(A, |, 0)$ be a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. Then $a_1 \in G(A)$ if and only if $(0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_1|a_1)) \in G(A)$.*

PROOF. Let $(A, |, 0)$ be a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra and $a_1 \in G(A)$. Then $0|(0|(a_1|a_1)) = 0|(a_1|a_1)$. Hence $(0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_1|a_1)) \in G(A)$ from (S2). Conversely, if $(0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_1|a_1)) \in G(A)$, then $0|(0|(a_1|a_1)) = 0|(a_1|a_1)$. By Lemma 3.2 (6), we obtain $a_1|a_1 = 0|(0|(a_1|a_1)) = (0|(a_1|a_1))$. We get $(0|(a_1|a_1)) = a_1|a_1$. Therefore $a_1 \in G(A)$. \square

PROPOSITION 4.2. *Let $(A, |, 0)$ be a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. Then A is a p -semisimple if and only if $0|(0|(a_1|a_1)) = a_1|a_1$, for all $a_1 \in A$.*

PROOF. Let A be a p -semisimple. Then $B(A) = \{0\}$ that is $(0|(0|0)) = 0|0$ and $0|(a_1|a_1) \neq 0|0$ for all $a_1 \neq 0$. By using (sINK.1), (sINK.2) and (S2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0|(0|(a_1|a_1)) &= ((0|(0|0))|(0|(0|0))|(0|(a_1|a_1))) \\ &= 0|(a_1|a_1) \\ &= a_1|a_1. \end{aligned}$$

Conversely, let $0|(0|(a_1|a_1)) = a_1|a_1$ implies $(0|(a_1|a_1)) \neq 0|0$. If $(0|(a_1|a_1)) = 0|0$ for $a_1 \neq 0$, then $((0|(0|0)) = a_1|a_1$ which implies $a_1 = 0$. Hence A is a p -semisimple. \square

PROPOSITION 4.3. *Let $(A, |, 0)$ is a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra and $a_1, a_2 \in A$. Then $a_2 \in B(A)$ if and only if $a_1|(a_1|(a_2|a_2)) = 0|0$.*

PROOF. Let $a_2 \in B(A)$ then $(0|(a_2|a_2)) = 0|0$. By using Lemma 3.2 (1), (S2) and (sINK.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} a_1|(a_1|(a_2|a_2)) &= ((a_1|(0|0))|(a_1|(0|0))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))) \\ &= 0|(a_2|a_2) \\ &= 0|0. \end{aligned}$$

Conversely, let $a_1|(a_1|(a_2|a_2)) = 0|0$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} 0|0 &= a_1|(a_1|(a_2|a_2)) \\ &= ((a_1|(0|0))|(a_1|(0|0))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))) \\ &= 0|(a_2|a_2) \end{aligned}$$

and so $a_2 \in B(A)$. \square

PROPOSITION 4.4. *Let $(A, |, 0)$ be a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. If $G(A) = A$, then A is a p -semisimple.*

PROOF. Let $G(A) = A$. Also $G(A) \cap B(A) = \{0\}$. So $A \cap B(A) = \{0\}$. That is $B(A) = \{0\}$. Hence A is a p -semisimple. \square

5. On ideals of Sheffer stroke INK-algebras

DEFINITION 5.1. Let $(A, |, 0)$ be a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. A nonempty subset I of A is called an ideal of A if it satisfies:

- (i) $0 \in I$,
- (ii) $((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))) \in I$ and $a_2 \in I$ imply $a_1 \in I$, for all $a_1, a_2 \in A$.

DEFINITION 5.2. An ideal I of a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra $(A, |, 0)$ is called closed if

$$(0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_1|a_1)) \in I$$

for all $a_1 \in I$.

DEFINITION 5.3. A non-empty subset S of a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra $(A, |, 0)$ is said to be a subalgebra of A if

$$((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))) \in S$$

for all $a_1, a_2 \in S$.

PROPOSITION 5.1. Let $(A, |, 0)$ be a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. Then $B(A)$ is an ideal of A .

PROOF. Since $0|(0|0) = 0|0$, then $0 \in B(A)$. Let $((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))) \in B(A)$ and $a_2 \in B(A)$. Then $0|(a_1|(a_2|a_2)) = 0|0$ and $0|(a_2|a_2) = 0|0$. By using (S2), Proposition 3.2 (5), Lemma 3.2 (1), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 0|0 &= 0|(a_1|(a_2|a_2)) \\ &= ((0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_2|a_2))) \\ &= ((0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|0)) \\ &= 0|(a_1|a_1). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $a_1 \in B(A)$. Hence $B(A)$ is an ideal of A . \square

LEMMA 5.1. Let $(A, |, 0)$ be a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. Then $B(A)$ is a subalgebra of A .

PROOF. Clearly, $0 \in B(A)$ and $B(A)$ is non-empty. Let $a_1, a_2 \in B(A)$. By (S2), (sINK.1) and Proposition 3.2 (5), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (0|((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2)))) &= (0|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))) \\ &= ((0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_2|a_2))) \\ &= ((0|0)|(0|0))|(0|0) \\ &= (0|(0|0)) \\ &= 0|0. \end{aligned}$$

Then, $B(A)$ is a subalgebra of A . \square

LEMMA 5.2. Let $(A, |, 0)$ be a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra and S is a subalgebra of A . Then S is an ideal of A .

PROOF. Let S be a subalgebra of A and $a_1, a_2 \in S$. Then

- (i) $(a_1|(a_1|a_1))|(a_1|(a_1|a_1)) = 0 \in S$,
- (ii) $(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2)) \in S$ and $a_2 \in S$ imply $a_1 \in S$.

Therefore, S is an ideal of A . \square

PROPOSITION 5.2. *Let $(A, |, 0)$ be a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. Every closed ideal of A is a Sheffer stroke INK-subalgebra.*

PROOF. Let I be a closed ideal of a Sheffer stroke $(A, |, 0)$ and $a_1, a_2 \in I$. Then $((0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_1|a_1))), ((0|(a_2|a_2))|(0|(a_2|a_2))) \in I$. By Proposition 3.2 (5), we obtain $((0|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(0|(a_1|(a_2|a_2)))) = (((0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_2|a_2)))|(((0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_2|a_2))))$. Hence, $((0|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(0|(a_1|(a_2|a_2)))) \in I$. So, $(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2)) \in I$. Thus, I is a Sheffer stroke INK-subalgebra. \square

DEFINITION 5.4. Let $(A, |, 0)$ be a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. A nonempty subset I of A is called a p -ideal of A if it satisfies:

- (i) $0 \in I$,
- (ii) $((((a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3)))|(((a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3)))) \in I$ and $a_2 \in I$ imply $a_1 \in I$,
for all $a_1, a_2, a_3 \in A$.

THEOREM 5.1. *Let $(A, |, 0)$ be a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. Then every p -ideal of A is an ideal of A .*

PROOF. Let I be a p -ideal of A . Putting $[a_3 := a_2]$ in Definition 5.4 (ii) and by Lemma 3.2 (1), (2), Definition 5.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & (((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_2|(a_2|a_2)))|(((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_2|(a_2|a_2)))) \\ &= (((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(0|0))|(((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(0|0)))) \\ &= ((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))) \in I \end{aligned}$$

and $a_2 \in I$ imply $a_1 \in I$. Therefore, I is an ideal of A . \square

LEMMA 5.3. *Let $(A, |, 0)$ be a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. Then*

$$((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_3|a_3)) = ((a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|a_2))$$

for all $a_1, a_2, a_3 \in A$.

PROOF. Let $(A, |, 0)$ be a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. By (S2), (sINK.2), Proposition 3.1, Lemma 3.2 (2) and (5), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & (((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_3|a_3))|(((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_3|a_3)))) \\ & |(((a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|a_2))) \\ &= a_3|(((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|((a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|a_2))) \\ &= a_3|(((a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(((a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))| \\ & \quad (a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))))|(a_2|a_2)) \\ &= a_3|(((a_3|(a_2|a_2))|(a_3|(a_2|a_2))|(a_2|a_2))|(a_2|a_2)) \\ &= (((a_3|(a_2|a_2))|(a_3|(a_2|a_2))|(a_3|a_3))|(((a_3|(a_2|a_2))|(a_3|(a_2|a_2))|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|a_2))) \\ &= (a_2|(a_2|a_2)) \\ &= 0|0. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, $((((a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|a_2))|(((a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|a_2))))|(((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_3|a_3))) = 0|0$. So, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & (((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_3|a_3))|(((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_3|a_3)))) \\ &= (((a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|a_2))|(((a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|a_2)))) \end{aligned}$$

from Proposition 3.2 (7). By (S2), we get $((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_3|a_3)) = ((a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|a_2))$. \square

THEOREM 5.2. *If $(A, |, 0)$ is a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra for order 3. Then*

- (i) $G(A) \neq A$,
- (ii) $G(A)$ is an ideal of A if $|G(A)| = 1$.

PROOF. (i) Let $A = \{0, a, b\}$ be a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. Assume $G(A) = A$. Then $0|(0|0) = 0|0$, $0|(a|a) = a|a$, $0|(b|b) = b|b$. Also we know $a_1|(a_1|a_1) = 0|0$ and $a_1|(0|0) = a_1|a_1$, for all $a_1 \in A$. Therefore, $a|(0|0) = a|a$, $a|(a|a) = 0|0$ and $b|(b|b) = 0|0$.

Let $a|(b|b) = 0|0$. It is argued for $b|(a|a) = 0|0$, $a|a$, $b|b$.

If $b|(a|a) = 0|0$ then $a|(b|b) = 0|0 = b|(a|a)$ and

$$\begin{aligned} ((a|(b|b))|(a|(b|b))|(a|a) &= ((a|(b|b))|(a|(b|b))|(a|(0|0))) \\ &= b|(0|0) \\ &= b|b \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} ((b|(a|a))|(b|(a|a))|(a|a) &= ((b|(a|a))|(b|(a|a))|(a|(0|0))) \\ &= a|(0|0) \\ &= a|a \end{aligned}$$

from (sINK.2) and Lemma 3.2 (1). Since

$$((a|(b|b))|(a|(b|b))|(a|a) = ((b|(a|a))|(b|(a|a))|(a|a),$$

it follows that $a = b$, a contradiction. So, $b|(a|a) \neq 0|0$.

If $b|(a|a) = a|a$ and by using Lemma 5.3 and (sINK.1) then

$$\begin{aligned} a|a &= b|(a|a) \\ &= ((0|(b|b))|(0|(b|b))|(a|a) \\ &= ((0|(a|a))|(0|(a|a))|(b|b) \\ &= a|(b|b) \\ &= 0|0, \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction.

If $b|(a|a) = b|b$ then

$$\begin{aligned} b|b &= b|(a|a) \\ &= ((0|(b|b))|(0|(b|b))|(a|a) \\ &= ((0|(a|a))|(0|(a|a))|(b|b) \\ &= a|(b|b) \\ &= 0|0, \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction.

Let $a|(b|b) = a|a$ then by using Lemma 3.2 (2), (S2) and (sINK.1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} ((a|(a|(b|b))|(a|(a|(b|b))))|(b|b) &= ((a|(a|a))|(a|(a|a))|(b|b)) \\ &= 0|(b|b) \\ &= b|b \\ &\neq 0|0, \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction with Proposition 3.2 (6).

Finally, let $a|(b|b) = b|b$. It is argued for $b|(a|a) = 0|0, a|a, b|b$.

If $b|(a|a) = 0|0$ then

$$\begin{aligned} b|b &= a|(b|b) \\ &= ((0|(a|a))|(0|(a|a))|(b|b)) \\ &= ((0|(b|b))|(0|(b|b))|(a|a)) \\ &= b|(a|a) \\ &= 0|0, \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction.

If $b|(a|a) = a|a$ then

$$\begin{aligned} b|b &= a|(b|b) \\ &= ((0|(a|a))|(0|(a|a))|(b|b)) \\ &= ((0|(b|b))|(0|(b|b))|(a|a)) \\ &= b|(a|a) \\ &= a|a, \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction.

If $b|(a|a) = b|b$ then

$$\begin{aligned} a|a &= 0|(a|a) \\ &= ((b|(b|b))|(b|(b|b))|(a|a)) \\ &= ((b|(a|a))|(b|(a|a))|(b|b)) \\ &= b|(b|b) \\ &= 0|0, \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction.

Thus, it is concluded that there exist some other elements in $G(A)$ which is not in A .

(ii) Let $A = \{0, a, b\}$ be a Sheffer stroke INK-algebra of order 3. If the order of $G(A)$ is 1, then $G(A) = \{0\}$ is the trivial ideal of A .

Conversely, assume $G(A)$ is an ideal of A . By (i), $|G(A)| = 1$ or $|G(A)| = 2$. Let $|G(A)| = 2$. Then $G(A) = \{0, a\}$ or $G(A) = \{0, b\}$. If $G(A) = \{0, a\}$, since

$G(A)$ is an ideal of A , $((b|(a|a))|(b|(a|a))) \notin G(A)$. So $((b|(a|a))|(b|(a|a))) = b$.

$$\begin{aligned} a|a &= (0|(a|a)) \\ &= ((b|(b|b))|(b|(b|b))|(a|a)) \\ &= ((b|(a|a))|(b|(a|a))|(b|b)) \\ &= b|(b|b) \\ &= 0|0, \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction. Hence $|G(A)| \neq 2$ and so $|G(A)| = 1$. \square

DEFINITION 5.5. A Sheffer stroke INK-algebra A is called a medial of Sheffer stroke INK-algebra if

$$((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_3|(a_4|a_4))) = ((a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))|(a_2|(a_4|a_4)))$$

holds for all $a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4 \in A$.

THEOREM 5.3. Let $(A, |, 0)$ be a medial of Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. Then $G(A)$ is a subalgebra of A .

PROOF. Let $a_1, a_2 \in G(A)$. Then

$$((0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_1|a_1))) = a_1 \text{ and } ((0|(a_2|a_2))|(0|(a_2|a_2))) = a_2.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} ((0|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(0|(a_1|(a_2|a_2)))) &= (((0|(0|0))|(0|(0|0))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))| \\ &\quad (((0|(0|0))|(0|(0|0))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2)))) \\ &= (((0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_2|a_2))| \\ &\quad (((0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_2|a_2)))) \\ &= ((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))) \in G(A)$. So, $G(A)$ is a subalgebra of A . \square

THEOREM 5.4. Let $(A, |, 0)$ be a medial of Sheffer stroke INK-algebra. Then

- (i) $((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_3|a_3)) = a_1|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))$,
 - (ii) $a_1|(a_2|(a_3|a_3)) = a_2|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))$,
 - (iii) $a_1|(a_2|a_2) = a_2|(a_1|a_1)$,
- for all $a_1, a_2, a_3 \in G(A)$.

PROOF. (i) By using Lemma 3.2 (1), (S2) and (sINK.1), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} ((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_3|a_3)) &= ((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(0|(a_3|a_3))) \\ &= ((a_1|(0|0))|(a_1|(0|0))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))) \\ &= a_1|(a_2|(a_3|a_3)). \end{aligned}$$

(ii) By using (sINK.1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} a_1|(a_2|(a_3|a_3)) &= ((0|(a_1|a_1))|(0|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_3|a_3))) \\ &= ((0|(a_2|a_2))|(0|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_3|a_3))) \\ &= a_2|(a_1|(a_3|a_3)). \end{aligned}$$

(iii) By using Lemma 3.2 (1) and (2), (sINK.1) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
a_1|(a_2|a_2) &= (0|((a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2)))) \\
&= (0|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))) \\
&= ((a_2|(a_2|a_2))|(a_2|(a_2|a_2))|(a_1|(a_2|a_2))) \\
&= ((a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_2|a_2))) \\
&= ((a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(a_2|(a_1|a_1))|(0|0)) \\
&= a_2|(a_1|a_1).
\end{aligned}$$

□

6. Homomorphism on Sheffer stroke INK-algebras

In this section, we present some definitions and concepts about homomorphism between Sheffer stroke INK-algebras.

DEFINITION 6.1. Let $(A, |_A, 0_A)$ and $(B, |_B, 0_B)$ be Sheffer stroke INK-algebras. A mapping $f : A \rightarrow B$ is called a homomorphism if

$$f(a_1|_A a_2) = f(a_1)|_B f(a_2)$$

for all $a_1, a_2 \in A$.

LEMMA 6.1. Let $(A, |_A, 0_A)$ and $(B, |_B, 0_B)$ be Sheffer stroke INK-algebras and $f : A \rightarrow B$ be a homomorphism. If I is an ideal of A , then $f(I)$ is an ideal of B .

PROOF. Suppose that I is an ideal of A . Since $0_A \in I$, we obtain $0_B = f(0_A) \in f(I)$. Let $f(a_2), f((a_1|_A(a_2|_A a_2))|_A(a_1|_A(a_2|_A a_2))) = (f(a_1)|_B(f(a_2)|_B f(a_2)))|_B(f(a_1)|_B(f(a_2)|_B f(a_2))) \in f(I)$. We get $a_2, (a_1|_A(a_2|_A a_2))|_A(a_1|_A(a_2|_A a_2)) \in I$. Since I is an ideal of A , $a_1 \in I$, i.e., $f(a_1) \in f(I)$. □

LEMMA 6.2. Let $(A, |_A, 0_A)$ and $(B, |_B, 0_B)$ be Sheffer stroke INK-algebras and $f : A \rightarrow B$ be a homomorphism. If I is an ideal of B , then $f^{-1}(I)$ is an ideal of A .

PROOF. Suppose that I is an ideal of B . Since $f(0_A) = 0_B \in I$, we have $0_A = f^{-1}f(0_A) = f^{-1}(0_B) \in f^{-1}(I)$. Let $a_2, (a_1|_A(a_2|_A a_2))|_A(a_1|_A(a_2|_A a_2)) \in f^{-1}(I)$, i.e., $f(a_2), (f(a_1)|_B(f(a_2)|_B f(a_2)))|_B(f(a_1)|_B(f(a_2)|_B f(a_2))) = f(a_1|_A(a_2|_A a_2))|_A(a_1|_A(a_2|_A a_2)) \in f f^{-1}(I) \subseteq I$. Since I is an ideal of B , we obtain $f(a_1) \in I$ i.e., $a_1 \in f^{-1}(I)$. □

DEFINITION 6.2. Let $(A, |_A, 0_A)$ and $(B, |_B, 0_B)$ be Sheffer stroke INK-algebras and $f : A \rightarrow B$ be a homomorphism. Then the set $\{a_1 \in A | f(a_1) = 0_B\}$ is called the kernel of f and it is denoted by $Ker f$.

LEMMA 6.3. Let $f : A \rightarrow B$ be a homomorphism of Sheffer stroke INK-algebras. Then $Ker f$ is an ideal of A .

PROOF. Obviously, $0 \in Ker f$, since $f(0_A) = 0_B$. Let $a_2 \in Ker f$ and $(a_1|_A(a_2|_A a_2))|_A(a_1|_A(a_2|_A a_2)) \in Ker f$. Then $f(a_2) = 0_B$ and $f((a_1|_A(a_2|_A a_2))|_A(a_1|_A(a_2|_A a_2))) = 0_B$.

$$|_A a_2))) = 0_B.$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(a_1) &= (f(a_1)|_B(0_B|_B 0_B))|_B(f(a_1)|_B(0_B|_B 0_B)) \\ &= (f(a_1)|_B(f(a_2)|_B f(a_2)))|_B(f(a_1)|_B(f(a_2)|_B f(a_2))) \\ &= f((a_1|_A(a_2|_A a_2))|_A(a_1|_A(a_2|_A a_2))) \\ &= 0_B, \end{aligned}$$

it follows $a_1 \in \text{Ker} f$. Thus, $\text{Ker} f$ is an ideal of A . \square

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