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ABSTRACT. In this paper we give several characterizations of a regular Γ -semiring, an intra-regular Γ -semiring and a duo Γ -semiring by using ideals, interior-ideals, quasi-ideals and bi-ideals of a Γ -semiring.

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§1 Introduction

The notion of a quasi-ideal was firstly introduced for semigroups in [15] and for rings in [16] by Steinfeld. Iseki in [6] discussed some characterizations of quasi-ideals for a semiring without zero. Using quasi-ideals Shabir, Ali, Batool in [14] characterize a class of semirings. Chinram in [2] generalizes the concept of quasi-ideals to a Γ -semigroup and discussed some of its properties. Also in [1] Chinram gave the different characterizations of quasi-ideals in a Γ -semiring while the concept of a Γ -semiring was coined by Rao in [13]. Authors were studied quasi-ideals and minimal quasi-ideals in Γ -semirings in [7] and quasi-ideals in regular Γ -semirings in [8].

The notion of a bi-ideal was first introduced for semigroups by Good and Hughes in [4]. The concept of a bi-ideal for a ring was given by Lajos [9]. Also in [10,11] Lajos discussed some characterizations of bi-ideals in semigroups. Shabir, Ali, Batool in [14] gave some properties of bi-ideals in a semiring.

The concept of a regular ring was introduced by J. von Neumann in [12] and gave the definition of a regular ring such as a ring R is regular if for any $b \in R$ there exists $x \in R$ such that $b = bxb$. Analogously the concept of a regular semigroup was introduced by Green in [5] and a regular semiring was introduced by Zelznikov[17] respectively. This concept of

regularity was extended to Γ -semiring by Rao [13] and then studied by Dutta and Sardar in [3].

In this paper efforts are made to prove various characterizations of a regular Γ -semiring, intra-regular Γ -semiring and a duo Γ -semiring by using ideals, interior-ideals, quasi-ideals and bi-ideals of a Γ -semiring.

§2. Preliminaries

First we recall some definitions of the basic concepts of Γ -semirings that we need in sequel. For this we follow Dutta and Sardar [3].

Definition 2.1: Let S and Γ be two additive commutative semigroups. S is called a Γ -semiring if there exists a mapping $S \times \Gamma \times S \rightarrow S$ denoted by $a\alpha b$ for all $a, b \in S$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$ satisfying the following conditions:

- (i) $a\alpha(b+c) = (a\alpha b) + (a\alpha c)$
- (ii) $(b+c)\alpha a = (b\alpha a) + (c\alpha a)$
- (iii) $a(\alpha+\beta)c = (a\alpha c) + (a\beta c)$
- (iv) $a\alpha(b\beta c) = (a\alpha b)\beta c$; for all $a, b, c \in S$ and for all $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$.

Definition 2.2: An element $0 \in S$ is said to be an absorbing zero if

$$0\alpha a = 0 = a\alpha 0, a + 0 = 0 + a = a \text{ for all } a \in S \text{ and } \alpha \in \Gamma.$$

Now onwards S denotes a Γ -semiring with absorbing zero unless otherwise stated.

Definition 2.3: A non-empty subset T of S is said to be sub- Γ -semiring of S if $(T, +)$ is a subsemigroup of $(S, +)$ and $a\alpha b \in T$ for all $a, b \in T$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$.

Definition 2.4: A non-empty subset T of S is called a left (respectively right) ideal of S if T is a subsemigroup of $(S, +)$ and $x\alpha a \in T$ (respectively $a\alpha x \in T$) for all $a \in T$, $x \in S$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$.

Definition 2.5: If T is both left and right ideal of S , then T is known as an ideal of S .

A quasi-ideal Q in a Γ -semiring S is defined as follows.

Definition 2.6 [7]: A subsemigroup Q of $(S, +)$ is a quasi-ideal of S if $(S\Gamma Q) \cap (Q\Gamma S) \subseteq Q$.

Example: Consider a Γ -semiring $S = M_{2 \times 2}(N_0)$, where N_0 denotes the set of natural numbers with zero and $\Gamma = S$. Define $A\alpha B =$ usual matrix product of A, α and B ; for all $A, \alpha, B \in S$. Then

$$Q = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mid a \in N_0 \right\} \text{ is a quasi-ideal of a } \Gamma\text{-semiring } S.$$

Definition 2.7 [8]: A nonempty subset B of S is a bi-ideal of S if B is a sub Γ -semiring of S and $B\Gamma S\Gamma B \subseteq B$.

Example : Let N be the set of natural numbers and $\Gamma = 2N$. Then N and Γ both are additive commutative semigroup. An image of a mapping $N \times \Gamma \times N \rightarrow N$ is denoted by

$a\alpha b$ and defined as $a\alpha b =$ product of a , α , b ; for all $a, b \in S$ and $\alpha \in \Gamma$. Then N forms a Γ -semiring. $B = 3N$ is a bi-ideal of N .

Now we define a generalized bi-ideal and an interior-ideal of a Γ - semiring S .

Definition 2.8: A nonempty subset B of a Γ - semiring S is a generalized bi-ideal of S if $B\Gamma S\Gamma B \subseteq B$.

Definition 2.9: A nonempty subset I of S is an interior-ideal of a Γ - semiring S if I is a subsemigroup of S and $S\Gamma I\Gamma S \subseteq I$.

Result 2.10: For each nonempty subset X of S following statements hold.

- (i) $S\Gamma X$ is a left ideal of S .
- (ii) $X\Gamma S$ is a right ideal of S .
- (iii) $S\Gamma X\Gamma S$ is an ideal of S .

Result 2.11: For $a \in S$ following statements hold.

- (i) $S\Gamma a$ is a left ideal of S .
- (ii) $a\Gamma S$ is a right ideal of S .
- (iii) $S\Gamma a\Gamma S$ is an ideal of S .

§3. Regular Γ -Semiring

An element a of a Γ -semiring S is said to be regular if $a \in a\Gamma S\Gamma a$.

If all elements of Γ -semiring S are regular, then S is known as a regular Γ -semiring. Following theorem was proved in [8] by authors.

Theorem 3.1: In S following statements are equivalent.

- (1) S is regular
- (2) For every left ideal L and a right ideal R of S , $R\Gamma L = R \cap L$.
- (3) For every left ideal L and a right ideal R of S ,
 - (i) $R^2 = R\Gamma R = R$ (ii) $L^2 = L\Gamma L = L$
 - (iii) $R\Gamma L = R \cap L$ is a quasi-ideal of S .
- (4) The set of all quasi-ideals of S is a regular Γ -semigroup
- (5) Every quasi-ideal of S is of the form $Q\Gamma S\Gamma Q = Q$.

Theorem 3.2: Following statements are equivalent in S .

- (1) S is regular.
- (2) For any bi-ideal B of S , $B\Gamma S\Gamma B = B$.
- (3) For any quasi-ideal Q of S , $Q\Gamma S\Gamma Q = Q$.

Proof: (1) \Rightarrow (2) Let B be a bi-ideal of S . Let $b \in B$. As S is regular, $b \in b\Gamma S\Gamma b \subseteq B\Gamma S\Gamma B$. Therefore $B \subseteq B\Gamma S\Gamma B$. Hence $B = B\Gamma S\Gamma B$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3) As every quasi-ideal is a bi-ideal, implication (2) \Rightarrow (3) holds.

(3) \Rightarrow (1) Let R be a right ideal and L be a left ideal of S . Then $R \cap L$ is a quasi-ideal of S . Hence by assumption $R \cap L = (R \cap L) \Gamma S \Gamma (R \cap L) \subseteq (R \Gamma S) \Gamma L \subseteq R \Gamma L$. Therefore $R \cap L = R \Gamma L$. Thus S is a regular Γ -semiring. ■

Theorem 3.3: If S is a Γ - semiring, then following statements are equivalent

- (1) S is regular.
- (2) For every bi-ideal B and an ideal I of S , $B \cap I = B \Gamma I \Gamma B$.
- (3) For every quasi-ideal Q and an ideal I of S , $Q \cap I = Q \Gamma I \Gamma Q$.

Proof : (1) \Rightarrow (2) Let B be a bi-ideal and I be an ideal of S . Now $B \Gamma I \Gamma B \subseteq B \Gamma S \Gamma B \subseteq B$ and $B \Gamma I \Gamma B \subseteq I$. Therefore $B \Gamma I \Gamma B \subseteq B \cap I$. For the reverse inclusion, let $a \in B \cap I$. As S is regular, $a \in a \Gamma S \Gamma a$. Then $a \Gamma S \Gamma a \subseteq (a \Gamma S \Gamma a) \Gamma S \Gamma (a \Gamma S \Gamma a) \subseteq (B \Gamma S \Gamma B) \Gamma (S \Gamma I \Gamma S) \Gamma B \subseteq B \Gamma I \Gamma B$. Therefore $a \in B \Gamma I \Gamma B$. Hence we have $B \cap I \subseteq B \Gamma I \Gamma B$. Thus we get $B \Gamma I \Gamma B = B \cap I$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3) Implication follows as every quasi-ideal of S is a bi-ideal.

(3) \Rightarrow (1) Let R be a right ideal and L be a left ideal of S . Then by assumption we have, $R = R \cap S = R \Gamma S \Gamma R \subseteq R \Gamma R$ and $L \cap S = L \Gamma S \Gamma L \subseteq L \Gamma L$. Also $R \cap L = R \Gamma L$ is a quasi-ideal of S . Hence by Theorem 3.1, S is a regular Γ -semiring. ■

Proof of following theorem is straightforward.

Theorem 3.4: In S following statements are equivalent.

- (1) S is regular.
- (2) For every bi-ideal B and left ideal L of S , $B \cap L \subseteq B \Gamma L$.
- (3) For every quasi-ideal Q and left ideal L of S , $Q \cap L \subseteq Q \Gamma L$.
- (4) For every bi-ideal B and right ideal R of S , $B \cap R \subseteq R \Gamma B$.
- (5) For every right ideal R and quasi-ideal Q of S , $R \cap Q \subseteq R \Gamma Q$.
- (6) For every left ideal L , every right ideal R and every bi-ideal B of S ,

$$L \cap R \cap B \subseteq R \Gamma B \Gamma L.$$
- (7) For every left ideal, every right ideal R and every quasi-ideal Q of S , $L \cap R \cap B \subseteq R \Gamma Q \Gamma L$.

Theorem 3.5 : In S following conditions are equivalent.

- (1) S is regular.
- (2) $I \cap Q = Q \Gamma I \Gamma Q$, for an ideal I and a quasi-ideal Q of S .
- (3) $I \cap Q = Q \Gamma I \Gamma Q$, for an interior ideal I and a quasi-ideal Q of S .

Proof : (1) \Rightarrow (2) Let Q be a quasi-ideal and I be an ideal of S . Now $Q \Gamma I \Gamma Q \subseteq Q \Gamma S \Gamma Q \subseteq Q \Gamma S$ by Result 2.6. Similarly we get $Q \Gamma I \Gamma Q \subseteq S \Gamma Q$. Therefore $Q \Gamma I \Gamma Q \subseteq (S \Gamma Q) \cap (Q \Gamma S) \subseteq Q$, since Q is a quasi-ideal. Also $Q \Gamma I \Gamma Q \subseteq I$ as I is an ideal. Therefore $Q \Gamma I \Gamma Q \subseteq Q \cap I$. For the reverse inclusion, let $a \in Q \cap I$. As S is regular, $a \in a \Gamma S \Gamma a$. We have $a \in (a \Gamma S \Gamma a) \Gamma S \Gamma (a \Gamma S \Gamma a) \subseteq (Q \Gamma S \Gamma Q) \Gamma (S \Gamma I \Gamma S) \Gamma Q \subseteq Q \Gamma I \Gamma Q$. Hence $Q \cap I \subseteq Q \Gamma I \Gamma Q$.

$Q\Gamma I\Gamma Q$. Therefore $Q\Gamma I\Gamma Q = Q \cap I$.

(2) \Rightarrow (1) Let Q be a quasi-ideal of S . By (2) $Q\Gamma S\Gamma Q = Q \cap S$. Hence $Q\Gamma S\Gamma Q = Q$. Therefore S is regular by Theorem 3.2.

(1) \Rightarrow (3) Let Q be a quasi-ideal and I be an interior ideal of S . Now $Q\Gamma I\Gamma Q \subseteq Q\Gamma S\Gamma Q \subseteq Q\Gamma S$ by Result 2.6. Similarly we get $Q\Gamma I\Gamma Q \subseteq S\Gamma Q$. Therefore $Q\Gamma I\Gamma Q \subseteq (S\Gamma Q) \cap (Q\Gamma S) \subseteq Q$. Also $Q\Gamma I\Gamma Q \subseteq I$ as I is an interior ideal. Therefore $Q\Gamma I\Gamma Q \subseteq Q \cap I$. For the reverse inclusion, let $a \in Q \cap I$. As S is regular, $a \in a\Gamma S\Gamma a$. Therefore $a \in (a\Gamma S\Gamma a)\Gamma S\Gamma (a\Gamma S\Gamma a) \subseteq (Q\Gamma S\Gamma Q)\Gamma (S\Gamma I\Gamma S)\Gamma Q \subseteq Q\Gamma I\Gamma Q$. Therefore $Q \cap I \subseteq Q\Gamma I\Gamma Q$. Hence $Q\Gamma I\Gamma Q = Q \cap I$.

(3) \Rightarrow (1) Let Q be a quasi-ideal of S . By (3) $Q\Gamma S\Gamma Q = Q \cap S$. Hence $Q\Gamma S\Gamma Q = Q$. By Theorem 3.2, S is regular. ■

Theorem 3.6 : In S following statements are equivalent.

- (1) S is regular.
- (2) $Q \cap L \subseteq Q\Gamma L$, for a quasi-ideal Q and a left ideal L of S .
- (3) $Q \cap R \subseteq R\Gamma Q$, for a quasi-ideal Q and a right ideal R of S .

Theorem 3.7 :- S is regular if and only if $R \cap Q \cap L \subseteq R\Gamma Q\Gamma L$, for a right ideal R , quasi-ideal Q and a left ideal L of S .

Proof : Suppose that S is a regular Γ -semiring. Let R be a right ideal, Q be a quasi-ideal and L be a left ideal of S . Let $a \in R \cap Q \cap L$. As S is regular, $a \in a\Gamma S\Gamma a$. Therefore $a \in (a\Gamma S\Gamma a)\Gamma S\Gamma a \subseteq (R\Gamma S)\Gamma Q\Gamma (S\Gamma L) \subseteq R\Gamma Q\Gamma L$, shows that $R \cap Q \cap L \subseteq R\Gamma Q\Gamma L$. Conversely, let R be a right ideal and L be a left of S . By assumption $R \cap S \cap L \subseteq R\Gamma S\Gamma L$. Therefore $R \cap L \subseteq R\Gamma L$. Thus we have $R \cap L = R\Gamma L$. Hence S is regular by Theorem 3.1. ■

§4. Intra-regular Γ -semiring

Now we give a definition of an intra-regular Γ -semiring.

Definition 4.1: A Γ -semiring S is said to be an intra-regular Γ -semiring if for any $x \in S$, $x \in S\Gamma x\Gamma x\Gamma S$.

Theorem 4.2: S is intra-regular if and only if each right ideal R and left ideal L of S satisfy $R \cap L \subseteq L\Gamma R$.

Proof : Suppose S is an intra-regular Γ -semiring and R and L be a right ideal and a left ideal of S respectively. Let $a \in R \cap L$. As S is intra-regular, $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$. Now $S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S = (S\Gamma a)\Gamma (a\Gamma S) \subseteq (S\Gamma L)\Gamma (R\Gamma S) \subseteq L\Gamma R$. Therefore $R \cap L \subseteq L\Gamma R$. Conversely, for $a \in S$, $(a)_l = N_0a + S\Gamma a$, $(a)_r = N_0a + a\Gamma S$. By assumption $(a)_r \cap (a)_l \subseteq (a)_l\Gamma (a)_r$. Then $(a)_r \cap (a)_l \subseteq (a)_l\Gamma (a)_r = (N_0a + S\Gamma a)\Gamma (N_0a + a\Gamma S)$. Also by assumption we have $(a)_r \subseteq S\Gamma a + S\Gamma a\Gamma S$ and $(a)_l \subseteq a\Gamma S + S\Gamma a\Gamma S$. Hence we have $(a)_r \subseteq S\Gamma a + S\Gamma a\Gamma S \subseteq S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$. Therefore we get $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$. Thus any $a \in S$ is an intra-regular element of S . Therefore S is an intra-regular Γ -semiring. ■

Theorem 4.3: In S following statements are equivalent.

- (1) S is an intra-regular Γ -semiring.
- (2) For bi-ideals B_1 and B_2 of S , $B_1 \cap B_2 \subseteq S\Gamma B_1\Gamma B_2\Gamma S$.
- (3) For every bi-ideal B and quasi-ideal Q of S , $B \cap Q \subseteq (S\Gamma Q\Gamma B\Gamma S) \cap (S\Gamma B\Gamma Q\Gamma S)$.
- (4) For every quasi-ideals Q_1 and Q_2 of S , $Q_1 \cap Q_2 \subseteq S\Gamma Q_1\Gamma Q_2\Gamma S$.

Proof : (1) \Rightarrow (2) Suppose S is intra-regular. Let B_1 and B_2 be bi-ideals of S . Let $a \in B_1 \cap B_2$. As S is intra-regular, $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$. $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S \subseteq S\Gamma B_1\Gamma B_2\Gamma S$. Therefore $B_1 \cap B_2 \subseteq S\Gamma B_1\Gamma B_2\Gamma S$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3), (3) \Rightarrow (4) Implications follow as every quasi-ideal is a bi-ideal.

(4) \Rightarrow (1) Let L be a left ideal and R be a right ideal of S . Then R and L both are quasi-ideals of S . By (4), $R \cap L \subseteq S\Gamma L\Gamma R\Gamma S = (S\Gamma L)\Gamma (R\Gamma S) \subseteq L\Gamma R$. Therefore we get $R \cap L \subseteq L\Gamma R$. Thus by Theorem 4.2, S is an intra-regular Γ -semiring.

Thus we have proved (1) \Rightarrow (2) \Rightarrow (3) \Rightarrow (4) \Rightarrow (1). ■

Theorem 4.4: In S following statements are equivalent.

- (1) S is an intra-regular Γ -semiring.
- (2) For a left ideal L and a bi-ideal B of S , $L \cap B \subseteq L\Gamma B\Gamma S$.
- (3) For a left ideal L and a quasi-ideal Q of S , $L \cap Q \subseteq L\Gamma Q\Gamma S$.
- (4) For a right ideal R and a bi-ideal B of S , $R \cap B \subseteq S\Gamma B\Gamma R$.
- (5) For a right ideal R and a quasi-ideal Q of S , $R \cap Q \subseteq S\Gamma Q\Gamma R$.

Proof : (1) \Rightarrow (2) Suppose S is intra-regular. Let L be a left ideal and B be a bi-ideal of S . Let $a \in B \cap L$. As S is intra-regular, $a \in S\Gamma a^2\Gamma S$. $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S \subseteq S\Gamma L\Gamma B\Gamma S \subseteq L\Gamma B\Gamma S$. Hence $B \cap L \subseteq L\Gamma B\Gamma S$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3), (4) \Rightarrow (5) As every quasi-ideal is a bi-ideal, implications follow.

(3) \Rightarrow (1) Let L be a left ideal and R be a right ideal of S . Then R is a quasi-ideal of S . By (3), $R \cap L \subseteq L\Gamma R\Gamma S \subseteq L\Gamma R$. Therefore we get $R \cap L \subseteq L\Gamma R$. Thus by Theorem 4.2, S is an intra-regular Γ -semiring.

(1) \Rightarrow (4) Suppose S is intra-regular. Let R be a right ideal and B be a bi-ideal of S . Let $a \in B \cap R$. As S is intra-regular, $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$. $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S \subseteq S\Gamma B\Gamma R\Gamma S \subseteq S\Gamma B\Gamma R$, which shows that $B \cap R \subseteq S\Gamma B\Gamma R$.

(5) \Rightarrow (1) Let L be a left ideal and R be a right ideal of S . By (5), $R \cap L \subseteq S\Gamma L\Gamma R \subseteq L\Gamma R$ as L is a quasi-ideal of S . Therefore we get $R \cap L \subseteq L\Gamma R$, shows that S is an intra-regular Γ -semiring by Theorem 4.2. ■

Theorem 4.5: In S following statements are equivalent.

- (1) S is intra-regular.
- (2) $K \cap B \cap R \subseteq K\Gamma B\Gamma R$, for a bi-ideal B , a right ideal R and an interior ideal K of S .

(3) $I \cap B \cap R \subseteq I\Gamma B\Gamma R$, for a bi-ideal B , a right ideal R and an ideal I of S .

(4) $K \cap Q \cap R \subseteq K\Gamma Q\Gamma R$, for a quasi-ideal Q , a right ideal R and an interior ideal K of S .

(5) $I \cap Q \cap R \subseteq I\Gamma Q\Gamma R$, for a quasi-ideal Q , a right ideal R and an ideal I of S .

Proof : (1) \Rightarrow (2) Suppose S is intra-regular. Let R be a right ideal , K be an interior ideal and B be a bi-ideal of S . Let $a \in K \cap B \cap R$. As S is intra-regular, $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$. $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S \subseteq (S\Gamma K\Gamma S)\Gamma B\Gamma (R\Gamma S\Gamma S) \subseteq K\Gamma B\Gamma R$. Thus we have $K \cap B \cap R \subseteq K\Gamma B\Gamma R$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3), (4) \Rightarrow (5), As every ideal is an interior ideal, implications follow.

(2) \Rightarrow (4), (3) \Rightarrow (5) Clearly implications follow , since quasi-ideal is a bi-ideal. (5) \Rightarrow (1)

Let L be a left ideal and R be a right ideal of S . As L is a quasi-ideal of S , by (5) we have $S \cap L \cap R \subseteq S\Gamma L\Gamma R \subseteq L\Gamma R$. Therefore we have $R \cap L \subseteq L\Gamma R$. By Theorem 4.2, S is an intra-regular Γ -semiring. ■

Theorem 4.6: In S following statements are equivalent.

(1) S is intra-regular.

(2) $I \cap B \cap L \subseteq L\Gamma B\Gamma I$, for a bi-ideal B , a left ideal L and an interior ideal I of S .

(3) $I \cap B \cap L \subseteq L\Gamma B\Gamma I$, for a bi-ideal B , a left ideal L and an ideal I of S .

(4) $I \cap Q \cap L \subseteq L\Gamma Q\Gamma I$, for a quasi-ideal Q , a left ideal L and an interior ideal I of S .

(5) $I \cap Q \cap L \subseteq L\Gamma Q\Gamma I$, for a quasi-ideal Q , a left ideal L and an ideal I of S .

Proof : (1) \Rightarrow (2) Suppose S is intra-regular. Let L be a left ideal , K be an interior ideal and B be a bi-ideal of S . Let $a \in K \cap B \cap L$. As S is intra-regular, $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$.

$a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S \subseteq (S\Gamma S\Gamma L)\Gamma B\Gamma (S\Gamma K\Gamma S) \subseteq L\Gamma B\Gamma K$. Thus we have $K \cap B \cap L \subseteq L\Gamma B\Gamma K$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3), (4) \Rightarrow (5) Clearly implications follow , since an ideal is an interior ideal.

(2) \Rightarrow (4), (4) \Rightarrow (5) As every quasi-ideal is a bi-ideal, implications follow.

(5) \Rightarrow (1) Let L be a left ideal and R be a right ideal of S . As right ideal R is a quasi-ideal, and S itself is an ideal of S , $S \cap R \cap L \subseteq L\Gamma R\Gamma S$ by (5). Therefore $L\Gamma R\Gamma S \subseteq L\Gamma R$.

Thus we get $R \cap L \subseteq L\Gamma R$. Therefore S is an intra-regular Γ -semiring by Theorem 4.2. ■

§5. Regular and Intra-regular Γ -semiring

Theorem 5.1: For S following statements are equivalent.

(1) S is regular and intra-regular

(2) Each right ideal R and left ideal L of S satisfy $R \cap L = R\Gamma L \subseteq L\Gamma R$.

(3) Each bi-ideal B of S satisfy $B = B^2 = B\Gamma B$.

(4) Each quasi-ideal Q of S satisfy $Q = Q^2 = Q\Gamma Q$.

Proof : (1) \Leftrightarrow (2) Proof follows from the Theorems 3.1 and 4.2.

(1) \Rightarrow (3) Suppose S is regular and intra-regular. Let B be a bi-ideal of S . Then $B^2 = B\Gamma B \subseteq B$. For the reverse inclusion, let $a \in B$. As S is regular, $a \in a\Gamma S\Gamma a$. Hence $a \in a\Gamma S\Gamma a \subseteq a\Gamma S\Gamma(a\Gamma S\Gamma a) \subseteq a\Gamma S\Gamma(S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S)\Gamma S\Gamma a \subseteq (B\Gamma S\Gamma B)\Gamma(B\Gamma S\Gamma B) \subseteq B\Gamma B$. Therefore $B \subseteq B\Gamma B$. Thus we get $B = B\Gamma B = B^2$.

(3) \Rightarrow (4) As every quasi-ideal is a bi-ideal, implication follows.

(4) \Rightarrow (1) Let L be a left ideal and R be a right ideal of S . Then $R \cap L$ is a quasi-ideal of S . By (4), $R \cap L = (R \cap L)^2 = (R \cap L)\Gamma(R \cap L) \subseteq L\Gamma R$. This shows S is an intra-regular Γ -semiring by Theorem 4.2. Similarly $R \cap L = (R \cap L)^2 = (R \cap L)\Gamma(R \cap L) \subseteq R\Gamma L$. Hence we get $R \cap L = R\Gamma L$. Therefore S is a regular Γ -semiring by Theorem 3.1.

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Theorem 5.2: In S following statements are equivalent.

- (1) S is a regular and an intra-regular Γ -semiring.
- (2) For bi-ideals B_1 and B_2 of S , $B_1 \cap B_2 \subseteq (B_1\Gamma B_2) \cap (B_2\Gamma B_1)$.
- (3) For every bi-ideal B and quasi-ideal Q of S , $B \cap Q \subseteq (Q\Gamma B) \cap (B\Gamma Q)$.
- (4) For quasi-ideals Q_1 and Q_2 of S , $Q_1 \cap Q_2 \subseteq (Q_1\Gamma Q_2) \cap (Q_2\Gamma Q_1)$.
- (5) For every quasi-ideal Q and generalized bi-ideal G of S , $G \cap Q \subseteq (G\Gamma Q) \cap (Q\Gamma G)$.
- (6) For every left ideal L and bi-ideal B of S , $B \cap L \subseteq (B\Gamma L) \cap (L\Gamma B)$
- (7) For every left ideal L and quasi-ideal Q of S , $Q \cap L \subseteq (Q\Gamma L) \cap (L\Gamma Q)$
- (8) For every right ideal R and bi-ideal B of S , $B \cap R \subseteq (B\Gamma R) \cap (R\Gamma B)$.
- (9) For every quasi-ideal Q and right ideal R of S , $R \cap Q \subseteq (R\Gamma Q) \cap (Q\Gamma R)$.
- (10) For every left ideal L and right ideal R of S , $R \cap L \subseteq (R\Gamma L) \cap (L\Gamma R)$.

Proof : (1) \Rightarrow (2) Suppose S is regular and intra-regular. Let B_1 and B_2 be bi-ideals of S . Let $a \in B_1 \cap B_2$. As S is regular and intra-regular, $a \in a\Gamma S\Gamma a$ and $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$. Hence $a \in a\Gamma S\Gamma a \subseteq (a\Gamma S\Gamma S\Gamma a)\Gamma(a\Gamma S\Gamma S\Gamma a) \subseteq (B_1\Gamma S\Gamma B_1)\Gamma(B_2\Gamma S\Gamma B_2) \subseteq B_1\Gamma B_2$.

Similarly we can show that $a \in B_2\Gamma B_1$. Therefore $a \in B_1 \cap B_2$ implies $a \in B_1\Gamma B_2$ and $a \in B_2\Gamma B_1$, which shows $B_1 \cap B_2 \subseteq (B_1\Gamma B_2) \cap (B_2\Gamma B_1)$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3), (3) \Rightarrow (4) Follows from every quasi-ideal is a bi-ideal.

(4) \Rightarrow (1) Let L be a left ideal and R be a right ideal of S . Then R and L both are quasi-ideals of S . By (4), $R \cap L \subseteq (R\Gamma L) \cap (L\Gamma R)$. $R \cap L \subseteq L\Gamma R$ implies S is an intra-regular Γ -semiring by Theorem 4.2. Also $R \cap L \subseteq R\Gamma L$. Therefore we get $R \cap L = R\Gamma L$. Hence by Theorem 3.1, S is a regular Γ -semiring.

(1) \Rightarrow (5) Suppose S is regular and intra-regular. Let G be a generalized bi-ideal and Q be quasi-ideal of S . Let $a \in G \cap Q$. As S is regular and intra-regular, $a \in a\Gamma S\Gamma a$ and $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$. Therefore $a \in a\Gamma S\Gamma a \subseteq a\Gamma S\Gamma(a\Gamma S\Gamma a) \subseteq (a\Gamma S\Gamma S\Gamma a)\Gamma(a\Gamma S\Gamma S\Gamma a) \subseteq (G\Gamma S\Gamma G)\Gamma(Q\Gamma S\Gamma Q) \subseteq G\Gamma Q$. Hence $a \in G\Gamma Q$. Similarly (ii) we can show $a \in Q\Gamma G$. Therefore $a \in G \cap Q$ implies $a \in G\Gamma Q$ and $a \in Q\Gamma G$, which gives $G \cap Q \subseteq$

$(G\Gamma Q) \cap (Q\Gamma G)$.

(5) \Rightarrow (1) Let L be a left ideal and R be a right ideal of S respectively. As R is a generalized bi-ideal and L is a quasi-ideal of S , proof follows from (4) \Rightarrow (1). (1) \Rightarrow (6) Suppose S is regular and intra-regular. Let B be a bi-ideal and L be a left ideal of S . Let $a \in B \cap L$. As S is regular and intra-regular, $a \in a\Gamma S\Gamma a$ and $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$. $a \in a\Gamma S\Gamma a \subseteq a\Gamma S\Gamma (a\Gamma S\Gamma a) \subseteq (a\Gamma S\Gamma S\Gamma a)\Gamma (a\Gamma S\Gamma S\Gamma a) \subseteq (B\Gamma S\Gamma B)\Gamma (S\Gamma S\Gamma S\Gamma L) \subseteq B\Gamma L$. Therefore we get $a \in B\Gamma L$. Similarly we can show $a \in L\Gamma B$. Therefore $a \in B \cap L$ implies $a \in B\Gamma L$ and $a \in L\Gamma B$. Hence $B \cap L \subseteq (B\Gamma L) \cap (L\Gamma B)$.

(6) \Rightarrow (7) As every quasi-ideal is a bi-ideal, implication follows.

(7) \Rightarrow (1) Let L be a left ideal and R be a right ideal of S respectively. As R is a quasi-ideal of S , proof follows from (4) \Rightarrow (1).

(1) \Rightarrow (8) Suppose S is regular and intra-regular. Let R be right ideal and B be a bi-ideals of S . Let $a \in B \cap R$. As S is regular and intra-regular, $a \in a\Gamma S\Gamma a$ and $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$. Therefore $a \in a\Gamma S\Gamma a \subseteq a\Gamma S\Gamma (a\Gamma S\Gamma a) \subseteq (a\Gamma S\Gamma S\Gamma a)\Gamma (a\Gamma S\Gamma S\Gamma a) \subseteq (B\Gamma S\Gamma B)\Gamma (R\Gamma S\Gamma S\Gamma S) \subseteq B\Gamma R$. Therefore we get $a \in B\Gamma R$. Similarly we can show $a \in R\Gamma B$. Therefore $a \in B \cap R$ implies $a \in B\Gamma R$ and $a \in R\Gamma B$, which gives $B \cap R \subseteq (B\Gamma R) \cap (R\Gamma B)$.

(8) \Rightarrow (9), (9) \Rightarrow (10) Implications follow as every left ideal is a quasi-ideal.

(10) \Rightarrow (1) Let L be a left ideal and R be a right ideal of S . Proof follows from (4) \Rightarrow (1).

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Theorem 5.3: In S following statements are equivalent.

- (1) S is a regular and intra-regular Γ -semiring.
- (2) For bi-ideals B_1 and B_2 of S , $B_1 \cap B_2 \subseteq (B_1\Gamma B_2\Gamma B_1) \cap (B_2\Gamma B_1\Gamma B_2)$
- (3) For a quasi-ideal Q and a bi-ideal B of S , $Q \cap B \subseteq (B\Gamma Q\Gamma B) \cap (Q\Gamma B\Gamma Q)$.
- (4) For quasi-ideals Q_1 and Q_2 of S , $Q_1 \cap Q_2 \subseteq (Q_1\Gamma Q_2\Gamma Q_1) \cap (Q_2\Gamma Q_1\Gamma Q_2)$.
- (5) For a bi-ideal B and a left ideal L of S , $B \cap L \subseteq B\Gamma L\Gamma B$.
- (6) For a quasi-ideal Q and a left ideal L of S , $Q \cap L \subseteq Q\Gamma L\Gamma Q$.
- (7) For a bi-ideal B and a right ideal R of S , $B \cap R \subseteq B\Gamma R\Gamma B$.
- (8) For a quasi-ideal Q and a right ideal R of S , $Q \cap R \subseteq Q\Gamma R\Gamma Q$.
- (9) For a quasi-ideal Q and a generalized bi-ideal G of S , $Q \cap G \subseteq (Q\Gamma G\Gamma Q) \cap (G\Gamma Q\Gamma G)$.

Proof : (1) \Rightarrow (2) Suppose S is regular and intra-regular. Let B_1 and B_2 be bi-ideals of S . Let $a \in B_1 \cap B_2$. As S is regular and intra-regular, $a \in a\Gamma S\Gamma a$ and $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$. Hence $a \in a\Gamma S\Gamma a \subseteq a\Gamma S\Gamma (a\Gamma S\Gamma a) \subseteq (a\Gamma S\Gamma a)\Gamma (a\Gamma S\Gamma a)\Gamma (a\Gamma S\Gamma a) \subseteq (B_1\Gamma S\Gamma B_1)\Gamma (B_2\Gamma S\Gamma B_2)\Gamma (B_1\Gamma S\Gamma B_1) \subseteq B_1\Gamma B_2\Gamma B_1$. Therefore $B_1 \cap B_2 \subseteq B_1\Gamma B_2\Gamma B_1$. In the same manner we can show $B_1 \cap B_2 \subseteq B_2\Gamma B_1\Gamma B_2$. Thus we get $B_1 \cap B_2 \subseteq (B_1\Gamma B_2\Gamma B_1) \cap (B_2\Gamma B_1\Gamma B_2)$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3), (3) \Rightarrow (4) Implications follow as every quasi-ideal is a bi-ideal.

(4) \Rightarrow (1) Let L be a left ideal and R be a right ideal of S . Then $R \cap L$ is a quasi-ideal

of S . By (4) , $(R \cap L) \cap (R \cap L) \subseteq ((R \cap L)\Gamma(R \cap L)\Gamma(R \cap L)) \subseteq L\Gamma R\Gamma R \subseteq L\Gamma R$. Hence $R \cap L \subseteq L\Gamma R$, which shows that S is an intra-regular Γ -semiring by Theorem 4.2. Also $R \cap L \subseteq ((R \cap L)\Gamma(R \cap L)\Gamma(R \cap L))$ implies $R \cap L \subseteq R\Gamma L$. Therefore $R \cap L = R\Gamma L$. Thus S is a regular Γ -semiring by Theorem 3.1.

(1) \Rightarrow (5) Suppose S is regular and intra-regular. Let B be a bi-ideal and L be a left ideal of S . Let $a \in B \cap L$. As S is regular and intra-regular, $a \in a\Gamma S\Gamma a$ and $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$. Therefore $a \in a\Gamma S\Gamma a \subseteq a\Gamma S\Gamma(a\Gamma S\Gamma a) \subseteq (a\Gamma S\Gamma a)\Gamma(S\Gamma a)\Gamma(a\Gamma S\Gamma a) \subseteq (B\Gamma S\Gamma B)\Gamma(S\Gamma L)\Gamma(B\Gamma S\Gamma B) \subseteq B\Gamma L\Gamma B$. Hence we have $B \cap L \subseteq B\Gamma L\Gamma B$.

(5) \Rightarrow (6) As every quasi-ideal is a bi-ideal, implication follows.

(6) \Rightarrow (7) Proof is similar to (4) \Rightarrow (1) (1) \Rightarrow (7) \Rightarrow (8) \Rightarrow (1) can be proved similar to (1) \Rightarrow (5) \Rightarrow (6) \Rightarrow (1). Proof of (1) \Rightarrow (9) is similar to (1) \Rightarrow (2) and proof of (9) \Rightarrow (1) is parallel to (1) \Rightarrow (4) \Rightarrow (1).

Thus we have shown that (1) \Rightarrow (2) \Rightarrow (3) \Rightarrow (4) \Rightarrow (1), (1) \Rightarrow (5) \Rightarrow (6) \Rightarrow (1) and (1) \Rightarrow (7) \Rightarrow (8) \Rightarrow (1) and (1) \Rightarrow (9) \Rightarrow (1). ■

Theorem 5.4: In S following statements are equivalent.

- (1) S is regular and intra-regular.
- (2) $B \cap R \cap L \subseteq B\Gamma R\Gamma L$, for a bi-ideal B , right ideal R and a left ideal L of S .
- (3) $Q \cap R \cap L \subseteq Q\Gamma R\Gamma L$, for a quasi-ideal Q , right ideal R and left ideal R of S .

Proof : (1) \Rightarrow (2) Suppose S is regular and intra-regular. Let B be a bi-ideal , R be a right ideal and L be a left ideal of S . Let $a \in B \cap R \cap L$. As S is regular and intra-regular, $a \in a\Gamma S\Gamma a$ and $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$. Hence $a \in a\Gamma S\Gamma a \subseteq a\Gamma S\Gamma(a\Gamma S\Gamma a) \subseteq (a\Gamma S\Gamma S\Gamma a)\Gamma(a\Gamma S)\Gamma(S\Gamma a) \subseteq (B\Gamma S\Gamma B)\Gamma(R\Gamma S)\Gamma(S\Gamma L) \subseteq B\Gamma R\Gamma L$. Therefore $B \cap R \cap L \subseteq B\Gamma R\Gamma L$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3) As every quasi-ideal is a bi-ideal, implication follows.

(3) \Rightarrow (1) Let L be a left ideal and R be a right ideal of S respectively. As R is a quasi-ideal and S is a right ideal of , by (3) $R \cap S \cap L \subseteq R\Gamma S\Gamma L \subseteq R\Gamma L$. Hence S is a regular Γ -semiring by Theorem 3.1. Similarly L is a quasi-ideal and S is a left ideal of S gives $L \cap R \cap S \subseteq L\Gamma R\Gamma S \subseteq L\Gamma R$ by (3). Thus $R \cap L \subseteq L\Gamma R$, which shows S is an intra-regular Γ -semiring by Theorem 4.2. ■

§6. Duo Γ -semiring

Now we define a duo Γ -semiring as follows.

Definition 6.1: A Γ -semiring S is said to be a left (right) duo Γ -semiring if every left (right) ideal of S is a right (left) ideal.

A Γ -semiring S is said to be a duo Γ -semiring if every one sided ideal of S is a two sided ideal. That is a Γ -semiring S is said to be a duo Γ -semiring if it is both left and right duo.

Theorem 6.2: If S is a regular Γ -semiring , then S is left duo if and only if

for any two left ideals A and B of S , $A \cap B = A\Gamma B$.

Proof : Let S be a regular Γ -semiring . Assume S is left duo. Let A and B be any two left ideals of S . As S is left duo, A is a right ideal of S . Then by the Theorem 3.1, $A \cap B = A\Gamma B$. Conversely, suppose the given condition hold. Let L be a left ideal of S . Then by assumption $L\Gamma S = L \cap S \subseteq L$. This shows that L is a right ideal of S . Therefore S is a left duo Γ -semiring. ■

Proof of the following theorem is analogous to proof of theorem 6.2.

Theorem 6.3: If S is a regular Γ -semiring , then S is right duo if and only if for any two right ideals A and B of S , $A \cap B = A\Gamma B$.

Theorem 6.4 : A regular Γ -semiring S is a left duo if and only if every quasi-ideal of S is a right ideal of S .

Proof : Let S be a regular Γ -semiring. Suppose S is left duo. Let Q be any quasi-ideal of S . Then there exists a right ideal R and a left ideal L of S such that $Q = R \cap L$. Therefore $Q = R \cap L$ is a right ideal of S . Conversely, let L be a left ideal of S . Then L is a quasi-ideal of S . Hence by assumption L is a right ideal of S . Therefore S is a left duo Γ -semiring. ■

Proofs of the following theorems are similar to proof of theorem 6.4.

Theorem 6.5: A regular Γ -semiring S is right duo if and only if every quasi-ideal of S is a left ideal of S .

Theorem 6.6: A regular Γ -semiring S is duo if and only if every quasi-ideal of S is an ideal of S .

Theorem 6.7: A regular Γ -semiring S is duo if and only if every bi-ideal of S is an ideal of S .

Theorem 6.8: In S following conditions are equivalent.

- (1) S is a regular duo Γ -semiring.
- (2) $I \cap B = I\Gamma B\Gamma I$, for every ideal I and bi-ideal B of S .
- (3) $I \cap Q = I\Gamma Q\Gamma I$, for every ideal I and quasi-ideal Q of S .

Proof : (1) \Rightarrow (2) Suppose S is a regular duo Γ -semiring. Let I be an ideal and B be a bi-ideal of S . Then by the Theorem 6.7, B is an ideal of S . Therefore $I\Gamma B\Gamma I \subseteq I$ and $I\Gamma B\Gamma I \subseteq B$, since I and B are ideals of S . Hence $I\Gamma B\Gamma I \subseteq I \cap B$. For the reverse inclusion , let $a \in I \cap B$. S is regular implies $a \in a\Gamma S\Gamma a$. $a \in a\Gamma S\Gamma a \subseteq a\Gamma S\Gamma (a\Gamma S\Gamma a) \subseteq (I\Gamma S)\Gamma B\Gamma (S\Gamma I) \subseteq I\Gamma B\Gamma I$. Therefore $I \cap B \subseteq I\Gamma B\Gamma I$. Hence $I \cap B = I\Gamma B\Gamma I$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3) As every quasi-ideal of S is a bi-ideal of S , implication follows.

(3) \Rightarrow (1) Let L be a left ideal and R be a right ideal of S . Hence $S \cap L = S\Gamma L\Gamma S$ and $S \cap R = S\Gamma R\Gamma S$ by (3). Therefore $L = S\Gamma L\Gamma S$ and $R = S\Gamma R\Gamma S$. Now $L\Gamma S = S\Gamma L\Gamma S\Gamma S \subseteq S\Gamma L\Gamma S = L$ and $S\Gamma R = S\Gamma S\Gamma R\Gamma S \subseteq S\Gamma R\Gamma S = R$. Hence $L\Gamma S \subseteq L$ and $\Gamma R \subseteq R$, shows

that L is a right ideal and R is a left ideal of S . Therefore S is a duo Γ -semiring by definition. As S is a duo Γ -semiring, $R \cap L = R\Gamma L\Gamma R$ by (3). $R \cap L = R\Gamma L\Gamma R \subseteq R\Gamma L$. This shows $R \cap L = R\Gamma L$. By Theorem 3.1, S is a regular. ■

Theorem 6.9: If S is a Γ -semiring then following statements are equivalent.

- (1) S is a regular duo Γ -semiring.
- (2) For every bi-ideals A and B of S , $A \cap B = A\Gamma B$.
- (3) For every bi-ideal B and quasi-ideal Q of S , $B \cap Q = B\Gamma Q$.
- (4) For every bi-ideal B and right ideal R of S , $B \cap R = B\Gamma R$.
- (5) For every quasi-ideal Q and bi-ideal B of S , $Q \cap B = Q\Gamma B$.
- (6) For every quasi-ideals Q_1 and Q_2 of S , $Q_1 \cap Q_2 = Q_1\Gamma Q_2$.
- (7) For every quasi-ideal Q and right ideal R of S , $Q \cap R = Q\Gamma R$.
- (8) For every left ideal L and bi-ideal B of S , $L \cap B = L\Gamma B$.
- (9) For every left ideal L and right ideal R of S , $L \cap R = L\Gamma R$.

Proof : We can prove the equivalence of statements such as (1) \Rightarrow (2) \Rightarrow (3) \Rightarrow (4) \Rightarrow (1), (1) \Rightarrow (5) \Rightarrow (6) \Rightarrow (7) \Rightarrow (1) and (1) \Rightarrow (8) \Rightarrow (9) \Rightarrow (1) . Proof of each implication is straightforward so omitted. ■

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