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QUASI K-IDEALS IN INTRA K-REGULAR Γ -SEMIRINGS

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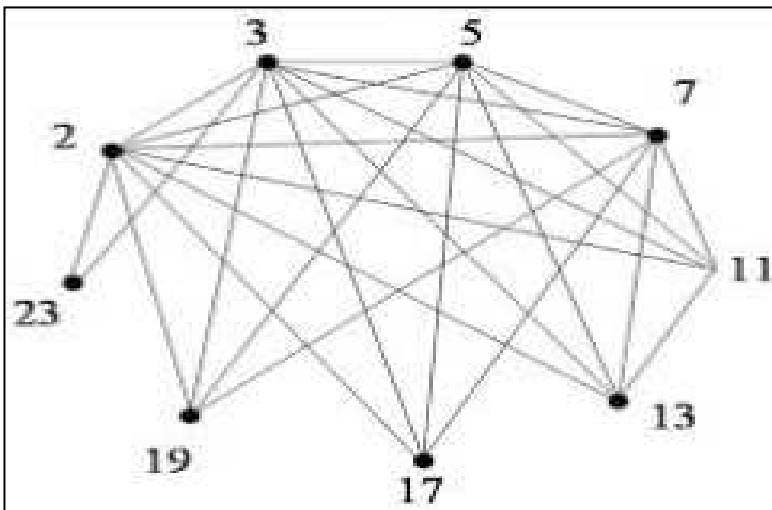
ABSTRACT. A Γ -semiring M whose additive reduct is a semilattice, is called an intra k -regular Γ -semiring if for each $a \in S$ there exists $x \in M$ such that $a + x\alpha a\alpha a x = x\alpha a\alpha a x$, $\alpha \in \Gamma$. Here we introduce quasi k -ideals in Γ -semirings and characterize both the k -regular and intra k -regular Γ -semirings by their quasi k -ideals.

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1 INTRODUCTION.

Otto Steinfeld [17], [18], [19], [20] introduced the notion of quasi ideals in rings and semigroups. Quasi ideals are generalizations of both left ideals and right ideals as well as a particular case of bi-ideals. S. Lajos [10] defined a generalization of this notion namely the (m,n) -quasi ideal. Lajos[11] also characterized the quasi ideals in regular semigroups. Kapp [8] observed that quasi ideal can also be obtained by an absorbant semigroup with 0 and every \mathcal{H} -class together with 0. Many authors in [7], [9], [5] characterized the quasi ideals of different classes of semigroups and semirings. Von Neumann[12] defined a ring R to be regular if the multiplicative reduct (R, \cdot) is a regular semigroup.



Semirings in SL^+ by their different types of ideals are studied in [1]. Bourne [4] introduced the k -regular semirings as a generalization of regular rings. Further these semirings have been studied by Sen, Weinert, Bhuniya, Adhikari [1], [14], [15], [16]. For any semigroup F , the semiring $P(F)$ of all subsets of F is a k -regular semiring if and only if F is a regular semigroup [16]. We have introduced the intra k -regular semirings as the class of semirings to which the semiring $P(F)$ belong when F is an intra regular semiring [3]. Also a semiring S is intra k -regular if and only if every k -ideal of S is semiprime.

Rao M. K.[13] defined Γ -semiring as generalization of semiring and Γ -rings. Alandkar S. J.[2] studied and characterize the k -regular Γ -semirings by their quasi k -ideals. And studied the notion of quasi k -ideals in a semiring and characterize the k -regular semirings using quasi k -ideals. In this paper we used the quasi k -ideals to characterize the intra k -regular Γ -semirings and the Γ -semirings which are intra k -regular.

2. PRELIMINARIES.

Recall the definitions from[2]

Definition 2.1. Γ - semiring. Let $(M, +)$ and $(\Gamma, +)$ be commutative semigroups. Define the mapping $M \times \Gamma \times M \rightarrow M$ (image to be denoted by $(x, \alpha, y) \rightarrow x\alpha y$) satisfying the following conditions:

- i) $x\alpha y \in M$,
- ii) $(x+y)\alpha z = (x\alpha z) + (y\alpha z)$, $x(\alpha + \beta)z = x\alpha z + x\beta z$, $x\alpha(y + z) = x\alpha y + x\alpha z$,
- iii) $(x\alpha y)\beta z = x\alpha(y\beta z)$, for all $x, y, z \in M$ and all $\alpha, \beta \in \Gamma$.

Then M is a Γ - semiring.

Every Γ -ring is a Γ - semiring but every Γ -semiring need not be a Γ -ring. For this we consider the following Example.

Example 1. Let $M = \Gamma = (\mathbb{Z}^+, +)$ be the semigroup of all nonzero positive integers. Define the mapping $M \times \Gamma \times M \rightarrow M$ (image to be denoted by $(x, \alpha, y) \rightarrow x\alpha y$) where $x\alpha y$ is the usual multiplication of the x, α and y for all $x, y \in M$ and all $\alpha \in \Gamma$. Then M is a Γ -semiring but not a semiring.

Definition 2.2. Sub- Γ -semiring. Let M be a Γ -semiring. A nonempty subset S of M is a sub- Γ -semiring of M if S itself is a Γ -semiring with the same operations of Γ -semiring M .

Definition 2.3. Ideal of a Γ -semiring. A nonempty subset I of a Γ -semiring M is a left (resp. right) ideal of M if for $x, y \in I$ and $r \in M$ we have $x+y \in I$ and $rax \in I$ (resp. $xar \in I$), where $\alpha \in \Gamma$. If I is both left as well as right ideal then we say that I is an ideal of M .

Example 2. Consider the Example of the Γ -semiring M followed by the definition. Here $I = (2Z^+, +, \Gamma)$ is an ideal of M . Following are the definitions introduced for generalization of algebraic structure semigroups, semilattice, semiring, reduct by considering set Γ of operations :

Definition 2.4. A band is a Γ -semigroup in which every element is an idempotent. A commutative band is called a Γ -semilattice. Throughout this paper, unless otherwise stated, M is always a Γ -semiring whose additive reduct is a Γ -semilattice and the variety of all such Γ -semirings is denoted by ML_+ .

Definition 2.5. A non-empty subset L of a Γ -semiring M is called a left ideal of M if $L + L \subseteq L$ and $M\Gamma L \subseteq L$. The right ideals are defined dually. A subset I of M is called an ideal of M if it is both a left and a right ideal of M . A non-empty subset A is called an interior ideal of M if $A + A \subseteq A$ and $M\Gamma A\Gamma M \subseteq A$. A non-empty subset A of M is called semiprime if for $a \in M$, $a^2 = a\alpha a \in A$ implies that $a \in A$.

Definition 2.6. Henriksen [6] defined an ideal (left, right) I of a semiring S to be a k -ideal (left, right) if for $a; x \in S$, $a; a + x \in I$ $x \in I$. We extend this concept to Γ -semiring. We define interior k -ideal similarly.

Definition 2.7. A non-empty subset A of M is called a k -subset of Γ -semiring M if for $x \in M$, $a \in A$; $x + a \in A$ implies that $x \in A$.

Definition 2.8. The k -closure \bar{A} of a non-empty subset A is given by,

$$\bar{A} = \{x \in S / \exists a, b \in A \text{ such that } x + a = b \}.$$

This is the smallest k -subset containing A . If A and B be two subsets of M such that $A \subseteq B$ then it follows that $\bar{A} \subseteq \bar{B}$. Since the additive reduct $(M, +)$ is a Γ -semilattice, it follows that an ideal (left, right) K of M is a k -ideal (left, right) if and only if $\bar{K} = K$.

Definition 2.9. A sub Γ -semiring Q is called a quasi ideal of M if $Q\Gamma M \cap M\Gamma Q \subseteq Q$. A quasi ideal Q is called a quasi k -ideal of M if $Q = \bar{Q}$.

For examples of quasi k -ideals of a Γ -semiring we would like to explore the following natural connection between quasi ideals of a Γ -semigroup F and quasi k -ideals of the Γ -semiring $P(F)$ of all subsets of F .

Definition 2.10. Let F be a Γ -semigroup and $P(F)$ be the set of all subsets of F . Define addition and multiplication on $P(F)$ by:
 $U + V = U \cup V$ and
 $U \Gamma V = \{a\alpha b / a \in U; b \in V, \alpha \in \Gamma \}$, for all $U, V \in P(F)$,

Then $(P(F); +, \alpha)$, $\alpha \in \Gamma$ is a Γ -semiring whose additive reduct is a Γ -semilattice. Then we have the following result.

Theorem 2.11 Let F be a semigroup. Then Q is a quasi k -ideal of $P(F)$ if and only if $Q = P(P)$ for some quasi-ideal P of F . [2]

Lemma 2.12. Let S be a semiring. Then for all right k -ideal R and left k -ideal L of S , $R \cap L$ is a quasi k -ideal of S . [2]

Lemma 2.13. Let M be a Γ -semiring and $a \in M$.

1. Then the principal left k -ideal of M generated by a is given by $L_k(a) = \{u \in M / u+a + s\alpha a = a + s\alpha a, \text{ for some } s \in M, \alpha \in \Gamma \}$.
2. Then the principal right k -ideal of M generated by a is given by $R_k(a) = \{u \in M / u + a + a\alpha s = a + a\alpha s, \text{ for some } s \in M, \alpha \in \Gamma \}$.

Bourne [3] defined a Γ -semiring M to be regular if for each $a \in M$ there exist $x, y \in M$ such that $a + a\alpha x\alpha a = a\alpha y\alpha a$, for $\alpha \in \Gamma$. If a Γ -semiring M happens to be a ring then the Von Neumann regularity and the Bourne regularity are equivalent. This is not true in a Γ -semiring in general (For counter example we refer [12]). Adhikari, Sen and Weinert [1] renamed the Bourne regularity of a Γ -semiring as k -regularity to distinguish from the notion of Von Neumann regularity.

Definition 2.14. A Γ -semiring M is called a k -regular Γ -semiring if for each $a \in M$ there exist $x, y \in M$ such that $a + a\alpha x\alpha a = a\alpha y\alpha a$, $\alpha \in \Gamma$.

Since $(M, +)$ is a semilattice,
 we have $a + a\alpha x\alpha a = a\alpha y\alpha a \implies a + a\alpha x\alpha a + (a\alpha x\alpha a + a\alpha y\alpha a) = a\alpha y\alpha a + (a\alpha x\alpha a + a\alpha y\alpha a)$
 $\implies a + a\alpha(x+y)\alpha a = a\alpha(x+y)\alpha a$.

Thus, a Γ -semiring M is k -regular if and only if for all $a \in M$ there exists $x \in M$ such that $a + a\alpha x\alpha a = a\alpha x\alpha a$.

Let M be a k -regular Γ -semiring and $a \in M$. Then there exists $x \in M$ such that $a + a\alpha x\alpha a = a\alpha x\alpha a$. Then we have
 $a + a\alpha x\alpha a = a\alpha x\alpha a \implies a + a\alpha x\alpha(a + a\alpha x\alpha a) = a\alpha x\alpha(a + a\alpha x\alpha a)$
 $\implies a + a\alpha x\alpha a\alpha x\alpha a = a\alpha x\alpha a\alpha x\alpha a$.

Thus, a Γ -semiring M is k -regular if and only if for all $a \in M$ there exists $x \in M$ such that

$$a + a\alpha x\alpha a\alpha x\alpha a = a\alpha x\alpha a\alpha x\alpha a \dots \quad (1)$$

For examples and properties of k -regular Γ -semiring s we refer [2], [14], [15], [16].

We observe that the proof of this result can be made significantly simpler when the Γ -semiring M is taken from ML_+ .

Theorem 2.15.[2] Let M be a Γ -semiring. Then M is k -regular if and only if $\overline{R\Gamma L} = R \cap L$ for any right k -ideal R and left k -ideal L of M .

Theorem 2.16.[2] Let M be a k -ideal of M if and only if k -regular Γ -semiring and A be a non-empty subset of M . Then A is a quasi $A = \overline{R\Gamma L}$, where R is a right k -ideal and L is a left k -ideal of M .

Theorem 2.17.[2] For a Γ -semiring M the following conditions are equivalent:

1. M is k -regular.
2. $Q = \overline{Q\Gamma M\Gamma Q}$ for every quasi k -ideal Q of M .

Theorem 2.18.[2] For a Γ -semiring M the following conditions are equivalent:

1. M is k -regular.
2. $Q \cap J = \overline{Q\Gamma J\Gamma Q}$ for every quasi k -ideal Q and every k -ideal J of M .
3. $Q \cap I = \overline{Q\Gamma I\Gamma Q}$ for every quasi k -ideal Q and every interior k -ideal I of M .

Theorem 2.19.[2] For a Γ -semiring M the following conditions are equivalent:

1. M is k -regular.
2. $R \cap L \subseteq \overline{R\Gamma L}$ for every right k -ideal R and every left k -ideal L of M .
3. $Q \cap L \subseteq \overline{Q\Gamma L}$ for every quasi k -ideal Q and every left k -ideal L of M .

Theorem 2.20.[2] For a Γ -semiring M the following conditions are equivalent:

1. M is k -regular.
2. $Q \cap R \subseteq \overline{R\Gamma Q}$ for every quasi k -ideal Q and every right k -ideal R of M .

Theorem 2.21.[2] For a Γ -semiring M , the following conditions are equivalent:

1. M is k -regular.
2. $R \cap Q \cap L \subseteq \overline{R\Gamma Q\Gamma L}$ for every right k -ideal R , every quasi k -ideal Q and every left k -ideal L of M .

3. QUASI IDEALS IN INTRA K-REGULAR Γ -SEMIRINGS.

In this section we characterize intra- k -regular Γ -semirings using quasi- k -ideals. For a semigroup F , the Γ -semiring $P(F)$ is intra k -regular if and only if F is an intra regular semigroup [3]. Again the Theorem 2.2 shows that the quasi k -ideals are natural analogue in Γ -semiring of the notion of quasi ideals of a semigroup. Thus it is natural to extend the results, characterising the intra regular semigroups by quasi ideals to Γ -semirings.

Definition 3.1. A Γ -semiring M is called an intra k -regular Γ -semiring if for each $a \in M, \alpha \in \Gamma, a \in \overline{M\Gamma a^2\Gamma M}$. It is easy to check that a Γ -semiring M is intra k -regular if and only if for each $a \in M$ there exists $x \in M$ such that

$$a + x\alpha a\alpha a\alpha x \in x\alpha a\alpha a\alpha x \in x, \alpha \in \Gamma. \text{ Where } a\alpha a = a^2 \tag{2}$$

In the following theorem we characterized the intra k -regular Γ -semirings by their left and right k -ideals.

Theorem 3.2 ([3]) Let $(M, +, \Gamma)$ be a Γ -semiring. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

1. M is intra k -regular.
2. $L \cap R \subseteq \overline{L\Gamma R}$ for every left k -ideal L and every right k -ideal R of M .

We left it to check to the readers that a Γ -semiring M is both k -regular and intra k -regular if and only if for each $a \in M$ there exists $z \in M$ such that $a + a\alpha z\alpha a^2 z\alpha a = a\alpha z\alpha a^2 z\alpha a, \alpha \in \Gamma$.

Theorem 3.3 For a Γ -semiring M , the following conditions are equivalent:

1. M is both k -regular and intra k -regular.
2. $Q = \overline{Q^2}$. for every quasi k -ideal Q of M .

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2) : Let Q be a quasi k -ideal of M and $a \in Q$. Since M is both k -regular and intra k -regular there exists $x \in M$ such that $a + a\alpha x\alpha a^2\alpha x\alpha a = a\alpha x\alpha a^2\alpha x\alpha a, \alpha \in \Gamma$. However $a\alpha x\alpha a \in Q \Gamma M\Gamma Q \subseteq Q\Gamma M \cap M\Gamma Q \subseteq Q$ implies that $a \in \overline{Q^2}$. Hence $Q \subseteq \overline{Q^2}$. Again, since Q is a k -sub- Γ -semiring, it follows that $Q^2 \subseteq Q$, whence $\overline{Q^2} \subseteq Q$. Thus $Q = \overline{Q^2}$.

(2) \Rightarrow (1) : Let L and R be a left k -ideal and a right k -ideal of M respectively. Then $Q = R \cap L$ is a quasi k -ideal of M . Then $R \cap L = \overline{(R \cap L)^2} = \overline{(R \cap L)\Gamma(R \cap L)} \subseteq \overline{R\Gamma L} \cap \overline{L\Gamma R}$. Thus M is both k -regular and intra k -regular, by Theorem 3.6 in [1] and Theorem 3.2.

Theorem 3.4. For a Γ -semiring M , the following conditions are equivalent:

1. M is k -regular and intra k -regular.
2. $P \cap Q \subseteq \overline{P\Gamma Q}$ for every quasi k -ideals P and Q of M .
3. $B \cap Q \subseteq \overline{B\Gamma Q}$ for every k -bi-ideal B and every quasi k -ideal Q of M .
4. $P \cap B \subseteq \overline{P\Gamma B}$ for every quasi k -ideal P and every k -bi-ideal B of M .
5. $G \cap Q \subseteq \overline{G\Gamma Q}$ for every generalized k -bi-ideal G and every quasi k -ideal Q of M .
6. $P \cap G \subseteq \overline{P\Gamma G}$ for every quasi k -ideal P and every generalized k -bi-ideal G of M .

Proof. It is clear that (6) \Rightarrow (4) \Rightarrow (2) and (5) \Rightarrow (3) \Rightarrow (2). So we have to prove (1) \Rightarrow (6), (1) \Rightarrow (5) and (2) \Rightarrow (1).

(1) \Rightarrow (6) : Let P and G be a quasi k -ideal and a generalized k -bi-ideal of M respectively. Let $a \in P \cap G$. Since M is both k -regular and intra k -regular, there exists $x \in M, \alpha \in \Gamma$ such that $a + a\alpha x\alpha a^2\alpha x = a\alpha x\alpha a^2\alpha x$, by(3). Then $a\alpha x\alpha a \in P \Gamma M \cap M \Gamma P \subseteq P$ and $a\alpha x\alpha a \in G \Gamma M \Gamma G \subseteq G$ implies that $a\alpha x\alpha a^2\alpha x \in P\Gamma G$ and so $a \in \overline{P\Gamma G}$. Thus $P \cap G \subseteq \overline{P\Gamma G}$.

(1) \Rightarrow (5) : Similar to (1) \Rightarrow (6).

(2) \Rightarrow (1) : Let Q be a quasi k -ideal. Then $Q \cap Q \subseteq \overline{Q\Gamma Q}$. Also $\overline{Q\Gamma Q} \subseteq Q$, since Q is a sub Γ -semi ring and k -set. Thus $Q = \overline{Q^2}$ and so M is both k -regular and intra k -regular, by Theorem 3.3.

Theorem 3.5 For a Γ -semiring M , the following conditions are equivalent:

1. M is k -regular and intra k -regular.

- 2. $L \cap R \subseteq \overline{L\Gamma R} \cap \overline{R\Gamma L}$ for every left k-ideal L and every right k-ideal R of M.
- 3. $L \cap Q \subseteq \overline{L\Gamma Q} \cap \overline{R\Gamma L}$ for every left k-ideal L and every quasi k-ideal Q of M.
- 4. $R \cap Q \subseteq \overline{R\Gamma Q} \cap \overline{Q\Gamma R}$ for every right k-ideal R and every quasi k-ideal Q of M.
- 5. $P \cap Q \subseteq \overline{Q\Gamma P} \cap \overline{P\Gamma Q}$ for all quasi k-ideals P and Q of M.
- 6. $Q \cap B \subseteq \overline{Q\Gamma B} \cap \overline{B\Gamma Q}$ for every quasi k-ideal Q and every k-bi-ideal B of M.
- 7. $Q \cap G \subseteq \overline{Q\Gamma G} \cap \overline{G\Gamma Q}$ for every quasi k-ideal Q and every generalized k-bi-ideal G of M.

Proof. It is clear that (7) \Rightarrow (6) \Rightarrow (5) \Rightarrow (4) \Rightarrow (2) and (5) \Rightarrow (3) \Rightarrow (2). So we are to prove (1) \Rightarrow (7) and (2) \Rightarrow (1) only.
 (1) \Rightarrow (7) : Let G be a two generalized k-bi-ideal and Q be a quasi k-ideal of M. Let $a \in G \cap Q$. Since M is both k-regular and intra k-regular, there exists $x \in M$ such that $a + aax\alpha a^2ax\alpha a = aax\alpha a^2ax\alpha a$. This can be written $a \in \Gamma aax\alpha a + (aax\alpha a)\alpha(aax\alpha a) = (aax\alpha a)\alpha(aax\alpha a)$. Now $aax\alpha a \in \overline{Q\Gamma M\Gamma Q} \subseteq \overline{Q\Gamma M} \cap \overline{M\Gamma Q} \subseteq Q$ and $aax\alpha a \in G$. Then $a \in \Gamma(aax\alpha a)\alpha(aax\alpha a) \in \overline{Q\Gamma G}$ and $(aax\alpha a)\alpha(aax\alpha a) \in \overline{G\Gamma Q}$. Thus $a \in \overline{Q\Gamma G}$ and $a \in \overline{G\Gamma Q}$. Therefore $a \in \overline{Q\Gamma G} \cap \overline{G\Gamma Q}$. Hence $G \cap Q \subseteq \overline{G\Gamma Q} \cap \overline{Q\Gamma G}$.

(2) \Rightarrow (1) : Let $L \cap R \subseteq \overline{L\Gamma R} \cap \overline{R\Gamma L}$. Then $L \cap R \subseteq \overline{L\Gamma R}$ and $L \cap R \subseteq \overline{R\Gamma L}$. Thus M is both k-regular and intra-k-regular by Theorem 3.6 of [1] and Theorem 3.2.

Theorem 3.6 For a Γ -semiring M, the following conditions are equivalent:

- 1. M is k-regular and intra k-regular.
- 2. $Q \cap L \subseteq \overline{Q\Gamma L\Gamma Q}$ for every quasi k-ideal Q and every left k-ideal L of M.
- 3. $Q \cap R \subseteq \overline{Q\Gamma R\Gamma Q}$ for every quasi k-ideal Q and every right k-ideal R of M.
- 4. $Q \cap P \subseteq \overline{Q\Gamma P\Gamma Q}$ for all quasi k-ideals Q and P of M.
- 5. $Q \cap B \subseteq \overline{Q\Gamma B\Gamma Q}$ for every quasi k-ideal Q and every k-bi-ideal B of M.
- 6. $Q \cap G \subseteq \overline{Q\Gamma G\Gamma Q}$ for every quasi k-ideal Q and every generalized k-bi-ideal G of M.
- 7. $B \cap Q \subseteq \overline{B\Gamma Q\Gamma Q}$ for every k-bi-ideal B and every quasi k-ideal Q of M.
- 8. $G \cap Q \subseteq \overline{G\Gamma Q\Gamma G}$ for every generalized k-bi-ideal G and every quasi k-ideal Q of M.

Proof. It is clear that (8) \Rightarrow (7) \Rightarrow (4) \Rightarrow (3) and (6) \Rightarrow (5) \Rightarrow (4) \Rightarrow (2). So it is sufficient to prove (1) \Rightarrow (8), (1) \Rightarrow (6), (3) \Rightarrow (1) and (2) \Rightarrow (1).

\Rightarrow (8) : Let G be a generalize k-bi-ideal and Q be a quasi k-ideal of M. Let $a \in G \cap Q \subseteq M$. Since M is both k-regular and intra k-regular, there exists $x \in M, \alpha \in \Gamma$ such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &a + aax\alpha a^2ax\alpha a = aax\alpha a^2ax\alpha a \\
 \Rightarrow &a + aax\alpha a^2ax\alpha(a + aax\alpha a^2ax\alpha a) = aax\alpha a^2ax\alpha a(a + aax\alpha a^2ax\alpha a) \\
 \Rightarrow &a + aax\alpha a^2ax\alpha a = aax\alpha a^2ax\alpha a^2ax\alpha a, \alpha \in \Gamma \\
 \Rightarrow &a + (aax\alpha a)\alpha(aax\alpha aax\alpha a)\alpha(aax\alpha a) = (aax\alpha a)\alpha(aax\alpha aax\alpha a)\alpha(aax\alpha a).
 \end{aligned}$$

Now $(aax\alpha a) \in G$ and $(aax\alpha aax\alpha a) \in \overline{Q\Gamma M\Gamma Q} \subseteq \overline{Q\Gamma M} \cap \overline{M\Gamma Q} \subseteq Q$. Then $(aax\alpha a)\alpha(aax\alpha aax\alpha a)\alpha(aax\alpha a) \in \overline{G\Gamma Q}$. Thus $a \in \overline{G\Gamma Q\Gamma G}$. Hence $G \cap Q \subseteq \overline{G\Gamma Q\Gamma G}$.

(1) \Rightarrow (6) : Proceeding as above we can similarly prove that $Q \cap G \subseteq \overline{G\Gamma Q\Gamma G}$
 (2) \Rightarrow (1) : Let L and R be a left k-ideal and a right k-ideal of M respectively. Then $Q = R \cap L$ is a quasi k-ideal of M. Therefore $Q \cap L \subseteq \overline{Q\Gamma L\Gamma Q}$ implies that $R \cap L = R \cap L \cap L = \overline{(R \cap L)\Gamma L\Gamma(R \cap L)} \subseteq \overline{R\Gamma L\Gamma(R \cap L)} \subseteq \overline{R\Gamma(L\Gamma L)} \subseteq \overline{R\Gamma L}$. Similarly $R \cap L = R \cap L \cap L = (R \cap L)\Gamma L\Gamma(R \cap L) \subseteq (R \cap L)\Gamma L\Gamma R \subseteq \overline{R\Gamma L\Gamma R} \subseteq \overline{L\Gamma R}$. Thus $L \cap R \subseteq \overline{L\Gamma R\Gamma L} \cap \overline{R\Gamma L}$. Hence M is both k-regular and intra k-regular, by Theorem 3.5.

(3) \Rightarrow (1) : Similar to (2) \Rightarrow (1).

Theorem 3.7 For a Γ -semiring $(M, +, \Gamma)$, the following conditions are equivalent:

- 1. M is k-regular and intra k-regular.
- 2. $Q \cap R \cap L = \overline{Q\Gamma R\Gamma L}$ for every quasi k-ideal Q, every right k-ideal R and every left k-ideal L of M.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2) : Assume that M is a k-regular and intra k-regular Γ -semiring. Let R, Q and L be a right k-ideal, a quasi k-ideal and a left k-ideal of M respectively. Let $a \in Q \cap R \cap L$. Since M is k-regular there exist $x \in M$ such that $a + aax\alpha a^2ax\alpha a = aax\alpha a^2ax\alpha a, \alpha \in \Gamma$. This can be written as $a + (aax\alpha a)\alpha(aax\alpha a)a = (aax\alpha a)\alpha(aax\alpha a)a$. Since R is a right k-ideal and Q is a quasi k-ideal of M, so $aax \in R$ and $aax\alpha a \in \overline{Q\Gamma M\Gamma Q} \subseteq \overline{Q\Gamma M} \cap \overline{M\Gamma Q} \subseteq Q$. Thus $(aax\alpha a)\alpha(aax\alpha a)a \in \overline{Q\Gamma R\Gamma L}$. Then $a \in \overline{Q\Gamma R\Gamma L}$. Hence $Q \cap R \cap L \subseteq \overline{Q\Gamma R\Gamma L}$.

(2) \Rightarrow (1) : Let L and R be a left k-ideal and a right k-ideal of M respectively. As L and R are also quasi k-ideal of M, we have $L \cap R = R \cap R \cap L \subseteq \overline{R\Gamma R\Gamma L} \subseteq \overline{R\Gamma L}$ and $L \cap R = L \cap R \cap L \subseteq \overline{L\Gamma R\Gamma L} \subseteq \overline{L\Gamma R}$. Thus $L \cap R \subseteq \overline{R\Gamma L} \cap \overline{L\Gamma R}$. Hence M is both k-regular and intra k-regular, by Theorem 3:5.

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