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## **INTRA-REGULAR Γ-SEMIRINGS**

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Abstract- In this paper we discuss properties of an intra-regular  $\Gamma$ -semiring. Some characterizations of an intra-regular  $\Gamma$ -semiring by using left ideals, right ideals, ideals, interior-ideals, quasi-ideals and bi-ideals of a  $\Gamma$ -semiring are furnished. Key words :- Quasi-ideal, bi-ideal, interior-ideal, intra-regular  $\Gamma$ -semiring.

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### I. INTRODUCTION

A Γ-semiring was introduced by Rao in

[10] as a generalization of a semiring. Author studied quasiideals in  $\Gamma$ -semirings in [3,4] and gave a definition bi-ideal in [4]. In

[7] Lajos considered an intra-regular semigroup and proved some properties of it. Kehayopulu and Tsingelis in

[6] proved that the intra-regular ordered semigroups are semilattices of simple semigroups. Some more characterizations of the intra-regular ordered semigroups were discussed by D. Lee and S. Lee in

[8]. Shabir, Ali, Batool in

[11] gave a definition of an intra-regular semiring and furnished property of it. Author define the notion of an intra-regular  $\Gamma$ -semiring and studied it in

[5]. In this paper efforts are made to prove some properties of an intra-regular  $\Gamma$ -semiring. Some more

characterizations of an intra-regular  $\Gamma$ -semiring by using left ideals, right ideals, ideals, interior-ideals, quasi-ideals and bi-ideals of a  $\Gamma$ -semiring are studied.

### §2. Preliminaries

First we recall some definitions of the basic concepts of  $\mathbf{T}$ -semirings that we need in sequel. For this we follow Dutta and Sardar [1].

**Definition 2.1:-** Let *S* and  $\Gamma$  be two additive commutative semigroups. *S* is called a  $\Gamma$ -semiring if there exists a mapping  $S \times \Gamma \times S \longrightarrow S$  denoted by aab; for all  $a, b \in S$  and for all  $a \in \Gamma$  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)  $a(\alpha + \beta)c = (a\alpha c) + (\alpha\beta c)$ 

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

**Definition 2.2 :-** An element  $\mathbf{0} \in \mathbf{S}$  is said to be an absorbing

Zero if

 $0\alpha a = 0 = a\alpha 0, \alpha + 0 = 0 + a = a$ ; for all  $a \in S$  and for all  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ .

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

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

**Definition 2.5 :-** If a non-empty subset T of a  $\Gamma$ -semiring S is both left and right ideal of S, then T is known as an ideal of S.

**Definition 2.6 [3]:-** An additive subsemigroup Q of a  $\Gamma$ -semiring S is a quasi-ideal of S if  $(S\Gamma Q) \cap (Q\Gamma S) \subseteq Q$ .

**Definition 2.7 [4]:-** A non-empty subset B of a  $\Gamma$ -semiring S is a bi-ideal of S if B is a sub- $\Gamma$ -semiring of S and  $B\Gamma S\Gamma B \subseteq B$ .

**Definition 2.8** [5]:- An additive subsemigroup I of a  $\Gamma$ -semiring S is an interior-ideal of S STIFS  $\subseteq I$ .

**Definition 2.9 [2]:-** A proper ideal I of a  $\Gamma$ -semiring S is a completely semiprime if for any  $a \in S$ ,  $a\Gamma a \subseteq I$  implies  $a \in I$ .

**Definition 2.10 [2]:-** An proper ideal I of a  $\Gamma$ -semiring S is semiprime if for any ideal A of S,  $A\Gamma A \subseteq I$  implies  $A \subseteq I$ .

**Theorem 2.11[3]:-** For any non-empty subset X of a  $\Gamma$ -semiring S following statements hold. (I) STX is a left ideal of S. (II) XTS is a right ideal of S. (III) STXTS is an ideal of S.

**Corollary 2.12[3]:-** For any element  $\alpha$  of a  $\Gamma$ -semiring S following statements hold.

(I)  $S\Gamma \alpha$  is a left ideal of S. (II)  $\alpha\Gamma S$  is a right ideal of S. (III)  $S\Gamma \alpha\Gamma S$  is an ideal of S.

Now onwards S denotes a  $\Gamma$ -semiring with an absorbing zero unless otherwise stated.

**Theorem 2.13[3]** :- Let *a* be any element of *S*. Then  $(a)_1 = N_0 a + S \Gamma a$ ,  $(a)_r = N_0 a + a \Gamma S$ 

and  $(a) = N_0 a + S\Gamma a + a\Gamma S + S\Gamma a\Gamma S$ , where  $N_0$  denotes the set of non negative integers.

**Theorem 2.14[3]:-** Let  $\alpha$  be any element of S. Then a quasi-ideal of S generated by  $\alpha$  is given by

 $(a)_q = N_0 a + (S\Gamma a) \cap (a\Gamma S)$ , where  $N_0$  denotes the set of non negative integers.

**Theorem 2.15 [4]:-** Let *a* be any element of *S*. Then a biideal of *S* generated by *a* is given by  $(a)_b = N_0 a + N_0 (a\Gamma a) + a\Gamma S\Gamma a$ , where  $N_0$  denotes the set of non negative integers.

**Theorem 2.16 :-** Let  $\alpha$  be any element of S. Then a interior-ideal of S generated by  $\alpha$  is  $(\alpha)_i = N_0 \alpha + S \Gamma \alpha \Gamma S$ , where  $N_0$  denotes the set of non negative integers.

**Definition 2.17 [5]:-** A  $\Gamma$ -semiring *S* is said to be an intraregular  $\Gamma$ -semiring, if for any  $x \in S$ ,  $x \in ST \times T \times T S$ .

**Example 1:-** Consider a set  $S = \{0, a, b\}$  and two binary operations + and  $\cdot$  are defined on S as follows

+	0	a	h
0	0	a	Ь
a	a	a	a
Ь	Ь	a	Ь

+	0	a	Ь
0	0	a	Ь
a	a	a	a
Ь	Ь	a	Ь

Let  $\Gamma = S$ . Then both (S, +) and  $(\Gamma, +)$  are commutative semigroups. A mapping  $S \times \Gamma \times S \longrightarrow S$  is defined by  $x\alpha y = x \cdot \alpha \cdot y$ ; for all  $x, y \in S$ ,  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . Then S forms a  $\Gamma$ -semiring. Here S is an intra-regular  $\Gamma$ -semiring.

**Theorem 2.18[5]:- S** is intra-regular if and only if each right ideal R and a left ideal L of S satisfy  $R \cap L \subseteq L\Gamma R$ . **§3. Properties of an Intra-regular**  $\Gamma$ -semiring

Properties of an intra-regular  $\Gamma$ -semiring are furnished in the following theorems .

**Theorem 3.1:-** In an intra-regular  $\Gamma$ -semiring S, an ideal of S is an idempotent ideal.

Proof :- Let S be an intra-regular  $\Gamma$ -semiring and I be an ideal of S. For any  $a \in I$ , we have  $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$ . Therefore  $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S \subseteq S\Gamma I\Gamma I\Gamma S = (S\Gamma I)\Gamma (I\Gamma S) \subseteq I\Gamma I$ . This gives  $I \subseteq I\Gamma I$ . As  $I\Gamma I \subseteq I$  holds always, we get  $I\Gamma I = I$ . Therefore an ideal of S is an idempotent ideal.

**]Theorem 3.2:-** If **B** is an ideal of an ideal of **S**, then  $(B)^3 = (B)\Gamma(B)\Gamma(B) \subseteq B$ . Proof:-Let **B** be an ideal of an ideal **A** of **S**. Therefore  $(B)\Gamma(B)\Gamma(B) \subseteq A\Gamma(B)\Gamma A = A\Gamma(B + B\Gamma S + S\Gamma B +$ 

$$\begin{split} S\Gamma E\Gamma S)\Gamma A &= (A\Gamma B + A\Gamma B\Gamma S + A\Gamma S\Gamma B + A\Gamma S\Gamma B\Gamma S)\Gamma A \subseteq \\ (B + B\Gamma S + A\Gamma B + A\Gamma B\Gamma S)\Gamma A &\subseteq (B + B\Gamma S + B + B\Gamma S)\Gamma A \subseteq B \\ B\Gamma S)\Gamma A &\subseteq B + B\Gamma A + B + B\Gamma A \subseteq B \end{split}$$

. Thus we get  $(B)^2 = (B)\Gamma(B)\Gamma(B) \subseteq B.$ 

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**Remark :-** An ideal of an ideal of a  $\Gamma$ -semiring S need not be an ideal of S.

**Example 2:** Let  $S = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ . Two binary operations + and  $\cdot$  are defined on S as follows.

•	0	1	2	3
ф	0	9	ð	ð
p	8	8	8	8
2	8	9	8	p
3	8	0	2 7	02
3	0	0	0	3

If  $\Gamma = S$ , then (S, +) and  $(\Gamma, +)$  both are commutative semigroups. A mapping  $S \times \Gamma \times S \longrightarrow S$  is defined by  $x\alpha y = x \cdot y$ ; for all x, y in S and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . Then S forms a  $\Gamma$ -semiring. Here  $I = \{0,1,2\}$  is an ideal of S.  $B = \{0,2\}$ is a two sided ideal of an ideal I of S. But E is not an ideal of S since  $3\alpha 2 = 1 \notin B$ , for all  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . But in an intraregular  $\Gamma$ -semiring S we have Theorem 3.3

**Theorem 3.3:-** In an intra-regular  $\Gamma$ -semiring S, an ideal of an ideal of S is an ideal of S.

Proof :- Let **S** be an intra-regular  $\Gamma$ -semiring, **A** be an ideal of **S** and **B** be an ideal of **A**. Hence by Theorem 3.2, we have  $(B)^2 = (B)\Gamma(B)\Gamma(B) \subseteq B$ . By Theorem 3.1, we have any ideal of **S** is an idempotent ideal. Therefore  $(B)^2 = (B)\Gamma(B)\Gamma(B) = (B)\Gamma(B) = (B)$ . Thus  $(B) \subseteq B$ . As  $B \subseteq (B)$  holds always, we get (B) = B. This shows that **B** is an ideal of **S**.

**Theorem 3.4:-** If **S** is intra-regular, then any proper ideal

of 5 is semiprime.

Proof :- Let **S** be an intra-regular  $\Gamma$ -semiring and **P** be a proper ideal of **S**. Let **A** be any ideal of **S** such that  $A\Gamma A \subseteq P$ . For any  $a \in A$ , we have  $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$ . Hence we have  $S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S \subseteq S\Gamma A\Gamma A\Gamma S - (S\Gamma A)\Gamma(A\Gamma S) \subseteq A\Gamma A \subseteq P$ .

Therefore  $a \in P$ . Thus  $a \in A$  implies  $a \in P$ . This shows that  $A \subseteq P$ . Therefore P is a semiprime ideal of S.

**Theorem 3.5:-**If S is intra-regular, then a proper interiorideal of S is semiprime.

Proof of following theorem is straightforward so omitted.

Theorem 3.6: If  $S\Gamma a = S$  or  $a\Gamma S = S$  holds for all  $a \in S$ , then S is intra-regular.

§4. Characterizations of an Intra-regular Γ-semiring

Various characterizations of an intra-regular  $\Gamma$ -semiring are discussed in this section.

**Theorem 4.1 :-** In **S** following statements are equivalent.

(1) S is intra-regular.

(2) Each ideal of S is completely semiprime.

(3)  $a \in (a\Gamma a)$ , for any  $a \in S$ .

(4)  $(a) = (a\Gamma a)$ , for any  $a \in S$ .

Proof :- (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let P be a proper ideal of S. For a be any element of S,  $a\Gamma a \subseteq P$ . As  $a \in S$  and S is intraregular, we have  $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$ . Therefore  $S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S \subseteq S\Gamma P\Gamma S \subseteq P$ . Hence  $a \in P$ . Thus  $a\Gamma a \subseteq P$  implies  $a \in P$ . Therefore P is a completely semiprime ideal of S.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let  $\alpha \in S$ . We have  $S\Gamma \alpha \Gamma \alpha \Gamma S$  is an ideal of S. By assumption  $S\Gamma \alpha \Gamma \alpha \Gamma S$  is a completely semiprime ideal

of S. Therefore  $(a\Gamma a)\Gamma(a\Gamma a) \subseteq S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$  implies

 $a\Gamma a \subseteq S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$ . Hence  $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$ . This shows that S is an intra-regular  $\Gamma$ -semiring.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) Let  $a \in S$ . By assumption  $(a\Gamma a)$  is a completely semiprime ideal of S. We have  $a\Gamma a \subseteq (a\Gamma a)$  always. Therefore  $a \in (a\Gamma a)$ , for any  $a \in S$ .

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) Let  $a \in S$ . By (3),  $a \in (a\Gamma a)$ . Therefore (a)  $\subseteq (a\Gamma a)$ . Now

 $(a\Gamma a) = N_0(a\Gamma a) + S\Gamma(a\Gamma a) + (a\Gamma a)\Gamma S + S\Gamma(a\Gamma a)\Gamma S \subseteq N_0(S\Gamma a) + S\Gamma a + a\Gamma S + S\Gamma a\Gamma S \subseteq S\Gamma a + a\Gamma S + S\Gamma a\Gamma S \subseteq (a)$ . Hence  $(a) = (a\Gamma a)$ .

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let **P** be a proper ideal of **S**. For **a** be any element of **S**,  $a\Gamma a \subseteq P$ . By (4), we have (**a**) = ( $a\Gamma a$ ). Hence  $a\Gamma a \subseteq P$  implies ( $a\Gamma a$ )  $\subseteq P$ . Therefore  $(a) \subseteq P$ . Hence  $a \in P$ . Therefore P is a completely semiprime ideal of S.

**Theorem 4.2:-***S* is intra-regular if and only if each interiorideal of *S* is completely semiprime.

Proof :- Let S be an intra-regular  $\Gamma$ -semiring and P be a proper interior-ideal of S. For  $\alpha$  be any element of S,  $a\Gamma a \subseteq P$ . Then we have  $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$ . Therefore  $S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S \subseteq S\Gamma P\Gamma S \subseteq P$ . Hence  $a \in P$ . Therefore P is a completely semiprime interior-ideal of S. Conversely, assume that each interior-ideal of S is completely semiprime. Let  $a \in S$ . We have  $S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$  is an interior-ideal of S. Therefore by assumption  $S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$ is completely semiprime. Hence  $(a\Gamma a)\Gamma(a\Gamma a) \subseteq S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$ implies  $a\Gamma a \subseteq S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$ . Hence  $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S$ . This shows

that **S** is an intra-regular  $\Gamma$ -semiring.

**Corollary 4.3:-***S* is intra-regular if and only if each ideal of *S* is completely semiprime.

**Theorem 4.4:-** In **5** following statements are equivalent.

(1) S is intra-regular. (2)  $(x)_b \subseteq S\Gamma(x)_b\Gamma(x)_b\Gamma S$ (3)

 $(x)_b \cap (x)_q \subseteq$  $\left(S\Gamma(x)_b \Gamma(x)_q \Gamma S\right) \cap \left(S\Gamma(x)_q \Gamma(x)_b \Gamma S\right)$ 

(4) 
$$(x)_q \subseteq S\Gamma(x)_q \Gamma(x)_q \Gamma S$$
  
Proof :- (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let  $a \in (x)_b$ . Therefore  
 $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma s \subseteq S\Gamma(x)_b \Gamma(x)_b \Gamma S$ . Hence  
 $(x)_b \subseteq S\Gamma(x)_b \Gamma(x)_b \Gamma S$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) Implication holds as every quasi-ideal is a bi-ideal. (4)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let  $x \in S$ . Therefore by assumption,  $(x)_q \subseteq S\Gamma(x)_q \Gamma(x)_q \Gamma S$ . Now  $S\Gamma(x)_q \Gamma(x)_q \Gamma S = (S\Gamma(N_0x + (S\Gamma x) \cap (x\Gamma S)))\Gamma((N_0x + (S\Gamma x) \cap (x\Gamma S))\Gamma S) \subseteq (S\Gamma x)\Gamma(x\Gamma S)$ . Hence  $x \in (x)_q \subseteq S\Gamma x\Gamma x\Gamma S$ . Therefore S is intra-

regular.

and

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) Assume that S is an intra-regular  $\Gamma$ -semiring. Let

$$a \in (x)_b \cap (x)_q$$
. Therefore

 $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S \subseteq S\Gamma(x)_b \Gamma(x)_q \Gamma S$ 

 $\in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S \subseteq S\Gamma(x)_a\Gamma(x)_b\Gamma S$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} & (x)_b \cap (x)_q \subseteq \\ & \left( S \Gamma(x)_b \Gamma(x)_q \Gamma S \right) \cap \left( S \Gamma(x)_q \Gamma(x)_b \Gamma S \right) \end{aligned}$$

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let  $x \in S$ . Therefore by assumption,

 $S\Gamma(x)_{b}\Gamma(x)_{q}\Gamma S = (S\Gamma(N_{0}x + N_{0}(x\Gamma x) + x\Gamma S\Gamma x))\Gamma((N_{0}x + (S\Gamma x) \cap (x\Gamma S))\Gamma S) \subseteq (S\Gamma x)\Gamma(x\Gamma S)$ 

. Hence  $x \in (x)_{L} \cap (x)_{q} \subseteq S\Gamma x \Gamma x \Gamma S$ . Therefore S is intra-regular.

**Theorem 4.5 :-** In **S** following statements are equivalent.

(1)  $\mathbf{S}$  is intra-regular.

(2) 
$$(x)_{l} \cap (x)_{b} \subseteq (x)_{l} \Gamma(x)_{b} \Gamma S$$
  
(3)  $(x)_{l} \cap (x)_{q} \subseteq (x)_{l} \Gamma(x)_{q} \Gamma S$   
(4)  $(x)_{r} \cap (x)_{b} \subseteq S \Gamma(x)_{b} \Gamma(x)_{r}$   
(5)  $(x)_{r} \cap (x)_{q} \subseteq S \Gamma(x)_{q} \Gamma(x)_{r}$   
Proof :- (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let  $a \in (x)_{l} \cap (x)_{b}$ . Therefore  
 $a \in S \Gamma a \Gamma a \Gamma S \subseteq S \Gamma(x)_{l} \Gamma(x)_{h} \Gamma S$ . Hence  
 $(x)_{l} \cap (x)_{b} \subseteq (x)_{l} \Gamma(x)_{b} \Gamma S$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) Implication holds as every quasi-ideal is a bi-ideal.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let  $x \in S$ . Therefore by assumption,  $(x)_{l} \cap (x)_{\sigma} \subseteq (x)_{l} \Gamma(x)_{\sigma} \Gamma S$ . Now

 $(x)_{l}\Gamma(x)_{q}\Gamma S = (N_{0}x + (S\Gamma x))\Gamma((N_{0}x + (S\Gamma x) \cap (x\Gamma S))\Gamma S) \subseteq (S\Gamma x)\Gamma(x\Gamma S)$ . Hence

 $x \in (x)_{\sigma} \subseteq S\Gamma x\Gamma x\Gamma S$ . Therefore S is intra-regular.

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) Assume that *S* is an intra-regular  $\Gamma$ -semiring. Let  $a \in (x)_r \cap (x)_b$ .

Therefore  $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S \subseteq S\Gamma(x)_b \Gamma(x)_r$  and  $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S \subseteq S\Gamma(x)_b \Gamma(x)_r \Gamma S \subseteq S\Gamma(x)_b \Gamma(x)_r$ . Hence  $(x)_r \cap (x)_b \subseteq S\Gamma(x)_b \Gamma(x)_r$ . (4) $\Rightarrow$ (5) Implication holds as every quasi-ideal is a bi-ideal.

(5)
$$\Rightarrow$$
(1) Let  $x \in S$ . Therefore by  
assumption,  $(x)_r \cap (x)_q \subseteq S\Gamma(x)_q\Gamma(x)_r$ . Now  
 $S\Gamma(x)_q\Gamma(x)_r - (S\Gamma(N_0x + (S\Gamma x)))\Gamma(N_0x + (S\Gamma x)))\Gamma(N_0x + (S\Gamma x)) \subseteq (S\Gamma x)\Gamma(x\Gamma S)$ 

Hence  $x \in (x)_r \cap (x)_q \subseteq S\Gamma x \Gamma x \Gamma S$ . Therefore S is intra-regular.

**Theorem 4.6 :-** In **5** following statements are equivalent.

(1)  $\mathbf{S}$  is intra-regular.

(2) 
$$(x)_i \cap (x)_b \cap (x)_r \subseteq (x)_i \Gamma(x)_b \Gamma(x)_r$$
  
(3)  $(x) \cap (x)_b \cap (x)_r \subseteq (x) \Gamma(x)_b \Gamma(x)_r$   
(4)  $(x)_i \cap (x)_q \cap (x)_r \subseteq (x)_i \Gamma(x)_q \Gamma(x)_r$   
(5)  $(x) \cap (x)_q \cap (x)_r \subseteq (x) \Gamma(x)_q \Gamma(x)_r$   
Proof :- (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let  $a \in (x)_i \cap (x)_b \cap (x)_r$ .  
Therefore

 $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S \subseteq (S\Gamma a\Gamma S)\Gamma(a\Gamma S\Gamma a)\Gamma(a\Gamma S) \subseteq (S\Gamma(x)_i\Gamma S)\Gamma((x)_b\Gamma S\Gamma(x)_b)\Gamma((x)_r\Gamma S) \subseteq (x)_i\Gamma(x)_b\Gamma(x)_r$ (x)<sub>i</sub>  $\Gamma(x)_b\Gamma(x)_r$ . Hence  $(x)_i \cap (x)_b \cap (x)_r \subseteq (x)_i\Gamma(x)_b\Gamma(x)_r$ .

 $(2) \Rightarrow (3) \text{ and } (4) \Rightarrow (5)$ 

As every ideal is an interior ideal, implications follow.

(2) 
$$\Rightarrow$$
 (4) and (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (5)

As every quasi-ideal is a bi-ideal, implications follow.

(5) 
$$\Rightarrow$$
 (1) Let  $x \in S$ . Therefore by assumption,  
 $(x) \cap (x)_q \cap (x)_r \subseteq (x)\Gamma(x)_q \Gamma(x)_r$ . Now  
 $(x)\Gamma(x)_q \Gamma(x)_r = (N_0x + S\Gamma x + x\Gamma S + S\Gamma x\Gamma S)\Gamma(N_0x + (S\Gamma x) \cap (x\Gamma S))\Gamma(N_0x + x\Gamma S) \subseteq (S\Gamma x)\Gamma(x\Gamma S)$ . Hence  $x \in S\Gamma x\Gamma x\Gamma S$ . Therefore  $S$  is intra-regular.  
Theorem 4.7:- In  $S$  following statements are equivalent.  
(1)  $S$  is intra-regular.  
(2)  $(x)_t \cap (x)_x \cap (x)_t \subseteq (x)_t \Gamma(x)_x \Gamma(x)_t$ 

(3)  $(x) \cap (x)_b \cap (x)_l \subseteq (x)_l \Gamma(x)_b \Gamma(x)$ (4)  $(x)_l \cap (x)_q \cap (x)_l \subseteq (x)_l \Gamma(x)_q \Gamma(x)_l$ (5)  $(x) \cap (x)_q \cap (x)_r \subseteq (x)_l \Gamma(x)_q \Gamma(x)$ Proof :- (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let  $a \in (x)_i \cap (x)_b \cap (x)_i$ .

Therefore

# $a \in S\Gamma a\Gamma a\Gamma S \subseteq (S\Gamma S\Gamma a)\Gamma a\Gamma (S\Gamma a\Gamma S) \subseteq (S\Gamma S\Gamma (x)_i)\Gamma (x)_b \Gamma (S\Gamma (x)_i \Gamma S) \subseteq (x)_i \Gamma (x)_b \Gamma (x)_i$

### Hence $(x)_i \cap (x)_b \cap (x)_l \subseteq (x)_l \Gamma(x)_b \Gamma(x)_i$

 $(2) \Rightarrow (3) \text{ and } (4) \Rightarrow (5)$ 

As every ideal is an interior ideal, implications follow.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (4) \text{ and } (3) \Rightarrow (5)$ 

As every quasi-ideal is a bi-ideal, implications follow.

(5)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let  $x \in S$ . Therefore by assumption, (x)  $\cap (x)_q \cap (x)_l \subseteq (x)_l \Gamma(x)_q \Gamma(x)$ . Now (x)<sub>l</sub>  $\Gamma(x)_q \Gamma(x) = (N_0 x + S \Gamma x) \Gamma(N_0 x + (S \Gamma x) \cap (x \Gamma S)) \Gamma(N_0 x + S \Gamma x + x \Gamma S + S \Gamma x \Gamma S) \subseteq (S \Gamma x) \Gamma(x \Gamma S)$ Hence  $x \in S \Gamma x \Gamma x \Gamma S$ . Therefore S is intra-regular.

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