



# On various quasi ideals in $b$ -semirings

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## Abstract

We introduce six types of quasi ideals in  $b$ -semirings. Each quasi ideals generated by single element(set) is established. We characterize various 1-regular(2-regular, regular) by using generalized 1-quasi (generalized 2-quasi, generalized quasi) ideal, 1-quasi (2-quasi, quasi) ideal, weak1(2)-right(left) ideal and weak1(2)-ideal. Examples are provided to strengthen our results.

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## 1. Introduction

The concept of  $b$ -semirings [4] was introduced by Ronnason in 2009. The concept of weak 1(2)-right ideal, weak 1(2)-left ideal, weak 1(2)-ideal in  $b$ -semirings are introduced by Mohanraj et al [3]. By introducing the 1-regular(2-regular, regular)  $b$ -semirings. The 1-regular(2-regular, regular)  $b$ -semirings are characterized by using various weak-ideals by Mohanraj et al [1]. We initiated the notions of  $k$ -regular  $b$ -semirings using they are various weak  $k$ -ideals [2].

## 2. Preliminaries

The algebraic structure  $(S, +, \cdot)$  is called a  $b$ -semiring if  $(S, +)$  and  $(S, \cdot)$  are semigroups, connected by four distributive laws that “ $\cdot$ ” distributes over “ $+$ ” from left and right and “ $+$ ” distributes over “ $\cdot$ ” from left and right[4]. The subset  $A$  of  $S$  is called a sub  $b$ -semiring in  $S$  if  $A$  is itself a  $b$ -semiring. The subset  $A$  of  $S$  is called a weak-1 right ideal (weak-1 left ideal) in  $S$  if  $a_1 + a_2 \in A$  and  $a_1 \cdot s \in A$  ( $s \cdot a_1 \in A$ ) for all  $a_1, a_2 \in A$  and  $s \in S$  [1]. The subset  $A$  of  $S$  is called a weak-2 right ideal (weak-2 left ideal) in  $S$  if  $a_1 \cdot a_2 \in A$  and  $a_1 + s \in A$  ( $s + a_1 \in A$ ) for all  $a_1, a_2 \in A$  and  $s \in S$  [1]. The

subset  $A$  of  $S$  is called a weak-1 ideal (weak-2 ideal) in  $S$  if it is both weak-1 right ideal (weak-2 right ideal) and weak-1 left ideal(weak-2 left ideal) in  $S$  [1]. The subset  $A$  of  $S$  is called a right ideal (left ideal) in  $S$  if it is both weak-1 right ideal (weak-1 left ideal) and weak-2 right ideal(weak-2 left ideal) in  $S$  [1]. The  $b$ -semiring  $S$  [1] is called 1-regular [2-regular] if for each  $a \in S$  there exists  $x \in S$  such that  $a \cdot (x \cdot a) = a$  [ $a + (x + a) = a$ ]. The  $b$ -semiring  $S$  [1] is called regular if it is both 1-regular and 2-regular in  $S$ .

## 3. 1-quasi ideals in $b$ -semirings

Throughout this paper,  $S$  denotes  $b$ -semirings unless otherwise noted. The intersection of a weak-1 right ideal and weak-1 left ideal in  $S$  is neither weak-1 right ideal nor weak-1 left ideal in  $S$  by the following Example 3.1. Naturally one question arises;

What is the intersection of weak 1(2)-right ideal with weak 1(2)-left ideal? We answer the questions by introducing 1-quasi(2-quasi)ideal.

**Example 3.1.** Consider the  $b$ -semiring  $S = \{g_1, g_2, g_3, g_4, g_5, g_6\}$  by the following table.

+	$g_1$	$g_2$	$g_3$	$g_4$	$g_5$	$g_6$
$g_1$	$g_1$	$g_2$	$g_3$	$g_4$	$g_5$	$g_6$
$g_2$	$g_1$	$g_2$	$g_3$	$g_4$	$g_5$	$g_6$
$g_3$	$g_1$	$g_2$	$g_3$	$g_4$	$g_5$	$g_6$
$g_4$	$g_1$	$g_2$	$g_3$	$g_4$	$g_5$	$g_6$
$g_5$	$g_1$	$g_2$	$g_3$	$g_4$	$g_5$	$g_6$
$g_6$	$g_1$	$g_2$	$g_3$	$g_4$	$g_5$	$g_6$

·	$g_1$	$g_2$	$g_3$	$g_4$	$g_5$	$g_6$
$g_1$	$g_1$	$g_1$	$g_1$	$g_1$	$g_5$	$g_5$
$g_2$	$g_1$	$g_2$	$g_1$	$g_4$	$g_5$	$g_6$
$g_3$	$g_1$	$g_1$	$g_3$	$g_1$	$g_5$	$g_5$
$g_4$	$g_4$	$g_4$	$g_4$	$g_4$	$g_6$	$g_6$
$g_5$	$g_1$	$g_1$	$g_5$	$g_1$	$g_5$	$g_5$
$g_6$	$g_4$	$g_4$	$g_6$	$g_4$	$g_6$	$g_6$

Now,  $A = \{g_1, g_5\}$  and  $B = \{g_5, g_6\}$  are weak-1 right ideal and weak-1 left ideal respectively, but  $A \cap B$  is neither weak-1 right ideal nor weak-1 left ideal in  $S$ .

**Definition 3.2.** (i) The subset  $Q$  of  $S$  is called a generalized 1-quasi ideal in  $S$  if  $(Q \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot Q) \subseteq Q$ .  
(ii) The generalized 1-quasi ideal  $Q$  is called a 1-quasi ideal in  $S$  if  $Q$  is a sub  $b$ -semiring.

**Lemma 3.3.** The generalized 1-quasi ideal  $Q$  is a 1-quasi ideal in  $S$  if  $Q$  is closed under “+”.

*Proof.* Suppose that  $Q$  is a generalized 1-quasi ideal which is closed under “+”. Now,  $Q \cdot Q \subseteq Q \cdot S$  and  $Q \cdot Q \subseteq S \cdot Q$  imply  $Q \cdot Q \subseteq (Q \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot Q) \subseteq Q$ . Thus,  $Q$  is a 1-quasi ideal in  $S$ .  $\square$

**Remark 3.4.** The generalized 1-quasi ideal fails to be a 1-quasi ideal in  $S$  by the Example 3.5.

**Example 3.5.** Consider the  $b$ -semiring  $S = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5, a_6\}$  by the following table.

+	$a_1$	$a_2$	$a_3$	$a_4$	$a_5$	$a_6$
$a_1$	$a_1$	$a_1$	$a_1$	$a_1$	$a_5$	$a_5$
$a_2$	$a_1$	$a_2$	$a_1$	$a_4$	$a_5$	$a_6$
$a_3$	$a_1$	$a_1$	$a_3$	$a_1$	$a_5$	$a_5$
$a_4$	$a_4$	$a_4$	$a_4$	$a_4$	$a_6$	$a_6$
$a_5$	$a_1$	$a_1$	$a_5$	$a_1$	$a_5$	$a_5$
$a_6$	$a_4$	$a_4$	$a_6$	$a_4$	$a_6$	$a_6$

·	$a_1$	$a_2$	$a_3$	$a_4$	$a_5$	$a_6$
$a_1$	$a_1$	$a_1$	$a_1$	$a_1$	$a_1$	$a_1$
$a_2$	$a_2$	$a_2$	$a_2$	$a_2$	$a_2$	$a_2$
$a_3$	$a_3$	$a_3$	$a_3$	$a_3$	$a_3$	$a_3$
$a_4$	$a_4$	$a_4$	$a_4$	$a_4$	$a_4$	$a_4$
$a_5$	$a_5$	$a_5$	$a_5$	$a_5$	$a_5$	$a_5$
$a_6$	$a_6$	$a_6$	$a_6$	$a_6$	$a_6$	$a_6$

Clearly,  $\{a_2, a_5\}$  is a generalized 1-quasi ideal, but  $a_5 + a_2 \notin \{a_2, a_5\}$  implies  $\{a_2, a_5\}$  is not 1-quasi ideal in  $S$ .

**Lemma 3.6.** Every weak-1 right (left) ideal is a 1-quasi ideal in  $S$ .

**Remark 3.7.** Converse of the Lemma 3.6 fails by the Example 3.8.

**Example 3.8.** Consider the  $b$ -semiring  $(S, +, \cdot)$  by the following table.

+	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$x_6$
$x_1$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$x_6$
$x_2$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$x_6$
$x_3$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$x_6$
$x_4$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$x_6$
$x_5$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$x_6$
$x_6$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$x_6$

·	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$x_6$
$x_1$	$x_1$	$x_1$	$x_1$	$x_1$	$x_1$	$x_1$
$x_2$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_2$	$x_4$	$x_4$	$x_4$
$x_3$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$x_6$
$x_4$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_2$	$x_4$	$x_4$	$x_4$
$x_5$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$x_6$
$x_6$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$x_6$

Clearly,  $\{x_1, x_2\}$  is a 1-quasi ideal, but not weak-1 right ideal in  $S$ .

**Theorem 3.9.** The intersection of weak-1 right ideal with weak-1 left ideal in  $S$  is a 1-quasi ideal.

*Proof.* For the weak-1 right ideal  $A$  and weak-1 left ideal  $B$  in  $S$ ,  $A \cap B$  is a sub  $b$ -semiring. Now,  $[(A \cap B) \cdot S] \cap [S \cdot (A \cap B)] \subseteq (A \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot B) \subseteq A \cap B$  implies  $A \cap B$  is a 1-quasi ideal in  $S$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.10.** For any  $a \in S$ , the generalized 1-quasi ideal generated by “ $a$ ”, denoted by  $\langle a \rangle_{g1q}$  is given by  $\{a\} \cup [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)]$ .

*Proof.* Now,  $x \in (a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)$ , then  $(x \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot x) \subseteq (a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)$ . Thus,  $\{a\} \cup [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)]$  is a generalized 1-quasi ideal in  $S$ . If  $A$  is a generalized 1-quasi ideal in  $S$  such that  $a \in A$ , then  $\{a\} \cup [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \subseteq A$ . Thus  $\langle a \rangle_{g1q}$  is the generalized 1-quasi ideal generated by “ $a$ ”.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.11.** For a subset  $A$  of  $S$ ,  $A \cup [(A \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot A)]$  is the generalized 1-quasi ideal generated by a set  $A$  in  $S$ .

**Lemma 3.12.** [1] For  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  and  $a \in S$ ,

- (i)  $(na \cdot s) = n(a \cdot s) = (a \cdot ns)$ .
- (ii)  $(s \cdot na) = n(s \cdot a) = (ns \cdot a)$ , where  $na = a + a + \dots n$  times.
- (iii)  $(a^n + s) = (a + s)^n = (a + s^n)$ .
- (iv)  $(s + a^n) = (s + a)^n = (s^n + a)$ , where  $a^n = a \cdot a \cdot \dots n$  times.

**Theorem 3.13.** For any  $a \in S$ , the 1-quasi ideal generated by “ $a$ ”, denoted by  $\langle a \rangle_{1q}$  is given by  $\{na | n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \cup [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)]$ .

*Proof.* Clearly,  $\{na | n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \cup [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)]$  is generalized 1-quasi ideal. For  $x, y \in [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)]$ ,  $x + y = a \cdot (s_1 + s_3) \in a \cdot S$ . Similarly,  $x + y = (s_2 + s_4) \cdot a \in S \cdot a$  imply  $x + y \in (a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)$ . For  $x \in \{na | n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$  and  $y \in [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)]$  and by Lemma 3.12,  $x + y = na + (a \cdot s_3) = a \cdot [(n + 1)(na + s_3)] \in a \cdot S$  and  $x + y = na + (s_4 \cdot a) = [(n + 1)(na + s_4)] \cdot a \in S \cdot a$ . Thus  $x + y \in [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)]$ . Similarly  $y + x \in [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)]$ . By Lemma 3.3,  $\{na | n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \cup [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)]$  is a 1-quasi ideal in  $S$ . If  $A$  is a 1-quasi ideal in  $S$  such that  $a \in A$ , then  $\{na | n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \cup [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \subseteq A$ . Hence  $\langle a \rangle_{1q}$  is the 1-quasi ideal generated by “ $a$ ”.  $\square$

**Notation 3.14.** For a subset  $A$  of  $S$  and  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$

- (i)  $\Sigma A = \{(a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n) | a_i \in A\}$ .
- (ii)  $\prod A = \{(a_1 \cdot a_2 \cdot \dots \cdot a_n) | a_i \in A\}$ .
- (iii)  $\Sigma(A \cdot S) = \{(a_1 \cdot s_1) + (a_2 \cdot s_2) + \dots + (a_n \cdot s_n) | a_i \in A, s_i \in S\}$ .
- (iv)  $\prod(A + S) = \{(a_1 + s_1) \cdot (a_2 + s_2) \cdot \dots \cdot (a_n + s_n) | a_i \in A, s_i \in S\}$ .

**Corollary 3.15.** For the subset  $A$  of  $S$ ,  $\Sigma A \cup [\Sigma(A \cdot S) \cap \Sigma(S \cdot A)]$  is the 1-quasi ideal generated by a set  $A$  in  $S$ .

**Theorem 3.16.** [1] (i) The  $b$ -semiring  $S$  is 1-regular if and only if

$R \cap L = R \cdot L$ , for every weak-1 right ideals  $R$  and every weak-1 left ideals  $L$  in  $S$ .

(ii) The  $b$ -semiring  $S$  is 2-regular if and only if  $R \cap L = R + L$ , for every weak-2 right ideals  $R$  and every weak-2 left ideals  $L$  in  $S$ .

**Theorem 3.17.** For a  $b$ -semiring  $S$ , the following conditions are equivalent.

- (1)  $S$  is 1-regular.
- (2)  $R \cap Q_1 \subseteq R \cdot Q_1$ , for the weak-1 right ideals  $R$  and generalized 1-quasi ideals  $Q_1$ .
- (3)  $R \cap Q \subseteq R \cdot Q$ , for the weak-1 right ideals  $R$  and 1-quasi ideals  $Q$ .
- (4)  $Q_1 \cap L \subseteq Q_1 \cdot L$ , the for generalized 1-quasi ideals  $Q_1$  and weak-1 left ideals  $L$ .
- (5)  $Q \cap L \subseteq Q \cdot L$ , for the 1-quasi ideals  $Q$  and weak-1 left ideals  $L$ .
- (6)  $R \cap L = R \cdot L$ , for the weak-1 right ideals  $R$  and weak-1 left ideals  $L$ .

*Proof.* First, we prove that (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (6)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) and (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (4)  $\Rightarrow$  (5)  $\Rightarrow$  (6).

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) For  $a \in R \cap Q_1$ , then there exist  $s \in S$  such that  $a = (a \cdot s) \cdot a$ . Thus,  $R \cap Q_1 \subseteq R \cdot Q_1$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) Straightforward.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (6) By Lemma 3.6,  $R \cap L \subseteq R \cdot L$ . Now,  $R \cdot L \subseteq R \cdot S \subseteq R$  and  $R \cdot L \subseteq S \cdot L \subseteq L$ . Then (6) follows.

(6)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) The proof follows from Theorem 3.16.

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) For  $a \in Q_1 \cap L$ , then there exist  $s \in S$  such that  $a = a \cdot (s \cdot a)$ . Thus,  $Q_1 \cap L \subseteq Q_1 \cdot L$ .

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (5) Straightforward.

(5)  $\Rightarrow$  (6) The proof follows from Lemma 3.6.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.18.** For a  $b$ -semiring  $S$ , the following conditions are equivalent.

- (1)  $S$  is 1-regular.
- (2)  $Q_1 \cap I \cap Q_2 \subseteq Q_1 \cdot I \cdot Q_2$ , for the generalized 1-quasi ideals  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  and weak-1 ideals  $I$ .
- (3)  $Q_1 \cap I \cap Q \subseteq Q_1 \cdot I \cdot Q$ , for the generalized 1-quasi ideals  $Q_1$ , weak-1 ideals  $I$  and 1-quasi ideals  $Q$ .
- (4)  $Q \cap I \cap Q_2 \subseteq Q \cdot I \cdot Q_2$ , for the 1-quasi ideals  $Q$ , weak-1 ideals  $I$  and generalized 1-quasi ideals  $Q_2$ .
- (5)  $Q \cap I \cap Q \subseteq Q \cdot I \cdot Q$ , for the 1-quasi ideals  $Q$  and weak-1 ideals  $I$ .
- (6)  $Q_1 \cap I \cap L \subseteq Q_1 \cdot I \cdot L$ , for the generalized 1-quasi ideals  $Q_1$ , weak-1 ideals  $I$  and weak-1 left ideals  $L$ .
- (7)  $Q \cap I \cap L \subseteq Q \cdot I \cdot L$ , for the 1-quasi ideals  $Q$ , weak-1 ideals

$I$  and weak-1 left ideals  $L$ .

(8)  $R \cap I \cap Q_2 \subseteq R \cdot I \cdot Q_2$ , for the weak-1 right ideals  $R$ , weak-1 ideals  $I$  and generalized 1-quasi ideals  $Q_2$ .

(9)  $R \cap I \cap Q \subseteq R \cdot I \cdot Q$ , for the weak-1 right ideals  $R$ , weak-1 ideals  $I$  and 1-quasi ideals  $Q$ .

(10)  $R \cap I \cap L \subseteq R \cdot I \cdot L$ , for the weak-1 right ideals  $R$ , weak-1 ideals  $I$  and weak-1 left ideals  $L$ .

(11)  $R \cap L = R \cdot L$ , for the weak-1 right ideals  $R$  and weak-1 left ideals  $L$ .

(12)  $Q_1 \cap I \subseteq Q_1 \cdot I \cdot Q_1$ , for the generalized 1-quasi ideals  $Q_1$  and weak-1 ideals  $I$ .

(13)  $Q \cap I \subseteq Q \cdot I \cdot Q$ , for the 1-quasi ideals  $Q$  and weak-1 ideals  $I$ .

(14)  $Q_1 = Q_1 \cdot S \cdot Q_1$ , for the generalized 1-quasi ideals  $Q_1$ .

(15)  $Q = Q \cdot S \cdot Q$ , for the 1-quasi ideals  $Q$ .

*Proof.* First, we prove that (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (5)  $\Rightarrow$  (11)  $\Rightarrow$  (1), (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (6)  $\Rightarrow$  (7)  $\Rightarrow$  (11), (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (4)  $\Rightarrow$  (8)  $\Rightarrow$  (9)  $\Rightarrow$  (10)  $\Rightarrow$  (11), (12)  $\Rightarrow$  (14)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) and (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (12)  $\Rightarrow$  (13)  $\Rightarrow$  (15)  $\Rightarrow$  (1).

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) For  $a \in Q_1 \cap I \cap Q_2$ , then there exists  $s \in S$  such that  $a = a \cdot s \cdot a$ . Thus,  $a = a \cdot (s \cdot a \cdot s) \cdot a \in Q_1 \cdot I \cdot Q_2$ . Thus (2) holds.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) Straightforward.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (5) Straightforward.

(5)  $\Rightarrow$  (11) Taking  $I = S$  in (5),  $R \cap L \subseteq R \cdot L$ . Thus,  $R \cap L = R \cdot L$ .

(11)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) The proof follows from Theorem 3.16.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (6) By Lemma 3.6, (6) holds.

(6)  $\Rightarrow$  (7) Straightforward.

(7)  $\Rightarrow$  (11) By taking  $I = S$ ,  $R \cap L \subseteq R \cdot L$ . Thus,  $R \cap L = R \cdot L$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) Straightforward.

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (8) By Lemma 3.6, we get the result.

(8)  $\Rightarrow$  (9) Straightforward.

(9)  $\Rightarrow$  (10) The proof follows from Lemma 3.6.

(10)  $\Rightarrow$  (11) Taking  $I = S$  in (10),  $R \cap L \subseteq R \cdot L$ . Thus,  $R \cap L = R \cdot L$ .

(12)  $\Rightarrow$  (14) By (12),  $Q_1 \subseteq Q_1 \cdot S \cdot Q_1 \subseteq [(Q_1 \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot Q_1)] \subseteq Q_1$  implies  $Q_1 = Q_1 \cdot S \cdot Q_1$ .

(14)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) For any  $a \in S$ ,  $a \in \langle a \rangle_{g1q} \cdot S \cdot \langle a \rangle_{g1q}$  and by

Theorem 3.10,  $a \in [a \cdot S \cdot a] \cup [a \cdot S \cdot [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)]] \cup [[(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \cdot S \cdot a] \cup [[(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \cdot S \cdot [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)]]$ .

Thus,  $a \in a \cdot S \cdot a$ . Therefore  $S$  is 1-regular.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (12) Taking  $Q_2 = Q_1$  in (2), we get the result.

(12)  $\Rightarrow$  (13) Straightforward.

(13)  $\Rightarrow$  (15) By (13),  $Q \subseteq Q \cdot S \cdot Q \subseteq [(Q \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot Q)] \subseteq Q$  implies  $Q = Q \cdot S \cdot Q$ .

(15)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) For any  $a \in S$  by (15),  $a \in \langle a \rangle_{1q} \cdot S \cdot \langle a \rangle_{1q}$  and by Theorem 3.13 and Lemma 3.12,  $a \in [na \cdot S \cdot ma] \cup$

$[na \cdot S \cdot [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)]] \cup [[(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \cdot S \cdot ma] \cup [[(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \cdot S \cdot [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)]]$ .

Thus,  $a \in a \cdot S \cdot a$ . Hence  $S$  is 1-regular.  $\square$

### 4. 2-quasi ideals in $b$ -semirings

**Definition 4.1.** (i) The subset  $Q$  of  $S$  is called a generalized 2-quasi ideal in  $S$  if  $(Q+S) \cap (S+Q) \subseteq Q$ .

(ii) The generalized 2-quasi ideal  $Q$  is called a 2-quasi ideal in  $S$  if  $Q$  is a sub  $b$ -semiring.

**Definition 4.2.** The generalized 1-quasi ideal  $Q$  is called a generalized quasi ideal if it is generalized 2-quasi ideal.

**Definition 4.3.** The sub  $b$ -semiring  $Q$  of  $S$  is called a quasi ideal if it is  $Q$  is generalized quasi ideal.

**Lemma 4.4.** The generalized 2-quasi ideal  $Q$  is a 2-quasi ideal in  $S$  if  $Q$  is closed under “ $\cdot$ ”.

*Proof.* Suppose that  $Q$  is generalized 2-quasi ideal in  $S$  which is closed under “ $\cdot$ ”. Now,  $Q+Q \subseteq Q+S$  and  $Q+Q \subseteq S+Q$  implies  $Q+Q \subseteq (Q+S) \cap (S+Q) \subseteq Q$ . Thus,  $Q$  is a 2-quasi ideal in  $S$ .  $\square$

**Remark 4.5.** The generalized 2-quasi ideal fails to be a 2-quasi ideal in  $S$  by the Example 4.6.

**Example 4.6.** Consider the  $b$ -semiring  $(S, +, \cdot)$  by the following table.

+	$s_1$	$s_2$	$s_3$	$s_4$	$s_5$	$s_6$
$s_1$	$s_1$	$s_1$	$s_1$	$s_1$	$s_1$	$s_1$
$s_2$	$s_2$	$s_2$	$s_2$	$s_2$	$s_2$	$s_2$
$s_3$	$s_3$	$s_3$	$s_3$	$s_3$	$s_3$	$s_3$
$s_4$	$s_4$	$s_4$	$s_4$	$s_4$	$s_4$	$s_4$
$s_5$	$s_5$	$s_5$	$s_5$	$s_5$	$s_5$	$s_5$
$s_6$	$s_6$	$s_6$	$s_6$	$s_6$	$s_6$	$s_6$

$\cdot$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$s_3$	$s_4$	$s_5$	$s_6$
$s_1$	$s_1$	$s_1$	$s_1$	$s_1$	$s_1$	$s_1$
$s_2$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$s_2$	$s_2$	$s_2$	$s_2$
$s_3$	$s_1$	$s_3$	$s_3$	$s_3$	$s_3$	$s_3$
$s_4$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$s_2$	$s_4$	$s_4$	$s_4$
$s_5$	$s_1$	$s_3$	$s_3$	$s_5$	$s_5$	$s_5$
$s_6$	$s_1$	$s_3$	$s_3$	$s_6$	$s_6$	$s_6$

Clearly,  $\{s_1, s_2, s_5\}$  is a generalized 2-quasi ideal, but  $s_5 \cdot s_2 \notin \{s_1, s_2, s_5\}$  implies  $\{s_1, s_2, s_5\}$  is not 2-quasi ideal in  $S$ .

**Lemma 4.7.** Every weak-2 right (left) ideal is a 2-quasi ideal in  $S$ .

**Remark 4.8.** Converse of the Lemma 4.7 fails by the Example 4.9.

**Example 4.9.** In Example 4.6,  $\{s_3, s_5\}$  is a 2-quasi ideal, but  $s_1 + s_5 \notin \{s_3, s_5\}$  implies  $\{s_3, s_5\}$  not weak-2-left ideal in  $S$ .

**Theorem 4.10.** The intersection of weak-2 right ideal with weak-2 left ideal in  $S$  is a 2-quasi ideal.

*Proof.* For the weak-2 right ideal  $A$  and weak-2 left ideal  $B$  in  $S$ ,  $A \cap B$  is a sub  $b$ -semiring. Now,  $[(A \cap B) + S] \cap [S + (A \cap B)] \subseteq (A + S) \cap (S + B) \subseteq A \cap B$  implies  $A \cap B$  is a 2-quasi ideal in  $S$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.11.** For any  $a \in S$ , the generalized 2-quasi ideal generated by “ $a$ ”, denoted by  $\langle a \rangle_{g2q}$  is given by  $\{a\} \cup [(a+S) \cap (S+a)]$ .

*Proof.* Now,  $x \in (a+S) \cap (S+a)$ , then  $(x+S) \cap (S+x) \subseteq (a+S) \cap (S+a)$ . Thus  $\{a\} \cup [(a+S) \cap (S+a)]$  is a generalized 2-quasi ideal in  $S$ . If  $A$  is a generalized 2-quasi ideal in  $S$  such that  $a \in A$ , then  $\{a\} \cup [(a+S) \cap (S+a)] \subseteq A$ . Therefore  $\langle a \rangle_{g2q}$  is the generalized 2-quasi ideal generated by “ $a$ ”.  $\square$

**Corollary 4.12.** For a subset  $A$  of  $S$ ,  $A \cup [(A+S) \cap (S+A)]$  is the generalized 2-quasi ideal generated by a set  $A$  in  $S$ .

**Theorem 4.13.** For any  $a \in S$ , the 2-quasi ideal generated by “ $a$ ”, denoted by  $\langle a \rangle_{2q}$  is given by  $\{a^m | m \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \cup [(a+S) \cap (S+a)]$ .

*Proof.* Clearly,  $\{a^m | m \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \cup [(a+S) \cap (S+a)]$  is generalized 2-quasi ideal. For  $x, y \in [(a+S) \cap (S+a)]$ ,  $x \cdot y = a + (s_1 \cdot s_3) \in a + S$  and  $x \cdot y = (s_2 \cdot s_4) + a \in S + a$  imply  $x \cdot y \in [(a+S) \cap (S+a)]$ . For  $x \in \{a^m | m \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$ ,  $y \in [(a+S) \cap (S+a)]$  and by Lemma 3.12,  $x \cdot y = a^m \cdot (a + s_3) = a + [(a^m \cdot s_3)^{m+1}] \in a + S$  and  $x \cdot y = a^m \cdot (s_4 + a) = [(a^m \cdot s_4)^{m+1}] + a \in S + a$ . Thus,  $x \cdot y \in [(a+S) \cap (S+a)]$ . Similarly,  $y \cdot x \in [(a+S) \cap (S+a)]$ . By Lemma 4.4,  $\{a^m\} \cup [(a+S) \cap (S+a)]$  is a 2-quasi ideal in  $S$ . If  $A$  is a 2-quasi ideal in  $S$  such that  $a \in A$ , then  $\{a^m\} \cup [(a+S) \cap (S+a)] \subseteq A$ . Hence  $\langle a \rangle_{2q}$  is the 2-quasi ideal generated by “ $a$ ”.  $\square$

**Corollary 4.14.** For a subset  $A$  of  $S$ ,  $\prod A \cup \prod [(A+S) \cap (S+A)]$  is the 2-quasi ideal generated by a set  $A$  in  $S$ .

**Theorem 4.15.** For a  $b$ -semiring  $S$ , the following conditions are equivalent.

- (1)  $S$  is 2-regular.
- (2)  $R \cap Q_1 \subseteq R + Q_1$ , for the weak-2 right ideals  $R$  and generalized 2-quasi ideals  $Q_1$ .
- (3)  $R \cap Q \subseteq R + Q$ , for the weak-2 right ideals  $R$  and 2-quasi ideals  $Q$ .
- (4)  $Q_1 \cap L \subseteq Q_1 + L$ , for the generalized 2-quasi ideals  $Q_1$  and weak-2 left ideals  $L$ .
- (5)  $Q \cap L \subseteq Q + L$ , for the 2-quasi ideals  $Q$  and weak-2 left ideals  $L$ .
- (6)  $R \cap L = R + L$ , for the weak-2 right ideals  $R$  and weak-2 left ideals  $L$ .

*Proof.* First, we prove that (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (6)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) and (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (4)  $\Rightarrow$  (5)  $\Rightarrow$  (6).

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) For  $a \in R \cap Q_1$ , then there exist  $s \in S$  such that  $a = (a+s) + a$ . Thus,  $R \cap Q_1 \subseteq R + Q_1$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) Straightforward.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (6) By Lemma 4.7,  $R \cap L \subseteq R + L$ . Now,  $R + L \subseteq R + S \subseteq R$  and  $R + L \subseteq S + L \subseteq L$ . Then (6) follows.

(6)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) The proof follows from Theorem 3.16.

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) For  $a \in Q_1 \cap L$ , then there exist  $s \in S$  such that  $a = a + (s+a)$ . Thus,  $Q_1 \cap L \subseteq Q_1 + L$ .

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (5) By Lemma 4.5, (5) holds.

(5)  $\Rightarrow$  (6) The proof follows from Lemma 4.7.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.16.** For a  $b$ -semiring  $S$ , the following conditions are equivalent.

- (1)  $S$  is 2-regular.
- (2)  $Q_1 \cap I \cap Q_2 \subseteq Q_1 + I + Q_2$ , for the generalized 2-quasi ideals  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  and weak-2 ideals  $I$ .
- (3)  $Q_1 \cap I \cap Q \subseteq Q_1 + I + Q$ , for the generalized 2-quasi ideals  $Q_1$ , weak-2 ideals  $I$  and 2-quasi ideals  $Q$ .
- (4)  $Q \cap I \cap Q_2 \subseteq Q + I + Q_2$ , for the 2-quasi ideals  $Q$ , weak-2 ideals  $I$  and generalized 2-quasi ideals  $Q_2$ .
- (5)  $Q \cap I \cap Q \subseteq Q + I + Q$ , for the 2-quasi ideals  $Q$  and weak-2 ideals  $I$ .
- (6)  $Q_1 \cap I \cap L \subseteq Q_1 + I + L$ , for the generalized 2-quasi ideals  $Q_1$ , weak-2 ideals  $I$  and weak-2 left ideals  $L$ .
- (7)  $Q \cap I \cap L \subseteq Q + I + L$ , for the 2-quasi ideals  $Q$ , weak-2 ideals  $I$  and weak-2 left ideals  $L$ .
- (8)  $R \cap I \cap Q_2 \subseteq R + I + Q_2$ , for the weak-2 right ideals  $R$ , weak-2 ideals  $I$  and generalized 2-quasi ideals  $Q_2$ .
- (9)  $R \cap I \cap Q \subseteq R + I + Q$ , for the weak-2 right ideals  $R$ , weak-2 ideals  $I$  and 2-quasi ideals  $Q$ .
- (10)  $R \cap I \cap L \subseteq R + I + L$ , for the weak-2 right ideals  $R$ , weak-2 ideals  $I$  and weak-2 left ideals  $L$ .
- (11)  $R \cap L = R + L$ , for the weak-2 right ideals  $R$  and weak-2 left ideals  $L$ .
- (12)  $Q_1 \cap I \subseteq Q_1 + I + Q_1$ , for the generalized 2-quasi ideals  $Q_1$  and weak-2 ideals  $I$ .
- (13)  $Q \cap I \subseteq Q + I + Q$ , for the 2-quasi ideals  $Q$  and weak-2 ideals  $I$ .
- (14)  $Q_1 = Q_1 + S + Q_1$ , for the generalized 2-quasi ideals  $Q_1$ .
- (15)  $Q = Q + S + Q$ , for the 2-quasi ideals  $Q$ .

*Proof.* First, we prove that (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (5)  $\Rightarrow$  (11)  $\Rightarrow$  (1), (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (6)  $\Rightarrow$  (7)  $\Rightarrow$  (11), (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (4)  $\Rightarrow$  (8)  $\Rightarrow$  (9)  $\Rightarrow$  (10)  $\Rightarrow$  (11), (12)  $\Rightarrow$  (14)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) and (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (12)  $\Rightarrow$  (13)  $\Rightarrow$  (15)  $\Rightarrow$  (1).

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) For  $a \in Q_1 \cap I \cap Q_2$ , then there exists  $s \in S$  such that  $a = a + s + a$ . Thus,  $a = a + (s + a + s) + a \in Q_1 + I + Q_2$ .

Then (2) follows.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) Straightforward.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (5) Straightforward.

(5)  $\Rightarrow$  (11) By taking  $I = S$  in (5),  $R \cap L \subseteq R + L$ . Thus,  $R \cap L = R + L$ .

(11)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) The proof follows from Theorem 3.16.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (6) The proof follows from Lemma 4.7.

(6)  $\Rightarrow$  (7) Straightforward.

(7)  $\Rightarrow$  (11) By taking  $I = S$ ,  $R \cap L \subseteq R + L$ . Thus,  $R \cap L = R + L$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) Straightforward.

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (8) By Lemma 4.7, the result holds.

(8)  $\Rightarrow$  (9) Straightforward.

(9)  $\Rightarrow$  (10) By Lemma 4.7, (10) holds.

(10)  $\Rightarrow$  (11) Taking  $I = S$  in (10),  $R \cap L \subseteq R + L$ . Thus,  $R \cap L = R + L$ .

(12)  $\Rightarrow$  (14) By (12),  $Q_1 \subseteq Q_1 + S + Q_1 \subseteq [(Q_1 + S) \cap (S + Q_1)] \subseteq Q_1$ . Thus, (14) holds.

(14)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) For any  $a \in S$ ,  $a \in \langle a \rangle_{g2q} + S + \langle a \rangle_{g2q}$  and by Theorem 4.11,  $a \in [a + S + a] \cup [a + S + [(a + S) \cap (S + a)]] \cup [[(a + S) \cap (S + a)] + S + a] \cup [[(a + S) \cap (S + a)] + S +$

$[(a + S) \cap (S + a)]]$ . Thus,  $a \in a + S + a$ . Therefore  $S$  is 2-regular.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (12) Taking  $Q_2 = Q_1$  in (2), we get the result.

(12)  $\Rightarrow$  (13) Straightforward.

(13)  $\Rightarrow$  (15) By (13),  $Q \subseteq Q + S + Q \subseteq [(Q + S) \cap (S + Q)] \subseteq Q$  implies  $Q = Q + S + Q$ .

(15)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) For any  $a \in S$  by (15),  $a \in \langle a \rangle_{g2q} + S + \langle a \rangle_{g2q}$  and by Theorem 4.13 and Lemma 3.12,  $a \in [a^n + S + a^m] \cup [a^n + S + [(a + S) \cap (S + a)]] \cup [[(a + S) \cap (S + a)] + S + a^m] \cup [[(a + S) \cap (S + a)] + S + [(a + S) \cap (S + a)]]$ . Thus,  $a \in a + S + a$ . Hence  $S$  is 2-regular.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.17.** For a  $b$ -semiring  $S$ , the following conditions are equivalent.

- (1)  $S$  is regular.
- (2)  $R \cap Q_1 \subseteq (R \cdot Q_1) \cap (R + Q_1)$ , for the right ideals  $R$  and generalized quasi ideals  $Q_1$ .
- (3)  $R \cap Q \subseteq (R \cdot Q) \cap (R + Q)$ , for the right ideals  $R$  and quasi ideals  $Q$ .
- (4)  $Q_1 \cap L \subseteq (Q_1 \cdot L) \cap (Q_1 + L)$ , for the generalized quasi ideals  $Q_1$  and left ideals  $L$ .
- (5)  $Q \cap L \subseteq (Q \cdot L) \cap (Q + L)$ , for the quasi ideals  $Q$  and left ideals  $L$ .
- (6)  $R \cap L = (R \cdot L) \cap (R + L)$ , for the right ideals  $R$  and left ideals  $L$ .

*Proof.* First, we prove that (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (6)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) and (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (4)  $\Rightarrow$  (5)  $\Rightarrow$  (6).

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) By Theorem 3.17,  $R \cap Q_1 \subseteq R \cdot Q_1$  and by Theorem 4.15,  $R \cap Q_1 \subseteq R + Q_1$ . Thus,  $R \cap Q_1 \subseteq (R \cdot Q_1) \cap (R + Q_1)$

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) The proof follows from Theorem 3.17 and 4.15.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (6) By Theorem 3.17,  $R \cap L = R \cdot L$  and by Theorem 4.15,  $R \cap L = R + L$ . Then (6) follows.

(6)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Now,  $R \cdot L \subseteq R \cap L = (R \cdot L) \cap (R + L) \subseteq R \cdot L$ , then by Theorem 3.16,  $S$  is 1-regular. Similarly,  $R + L \subseteq R \cap L = (R \cdot L) \cap (R + L) \subseteq R + L$ . Then by Theorem 3.16,  $S$  is 2-regular. Thus,  $S$  is regular.

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) By Theorem 3.17 and 4.15,  $Q_1 \cap L \subseteq Q_1 \cdot L$  and  $Q_1 \cap L \subseteq Q_1 + L$ . Then (4) follows.

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (5) The proof follows from Theorem 3.17 and 4.15.

(5)  $\Rightarrow$  (6) By Lemma 3.6 and 4.7, (6) holds.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.18.** For a  $b$ -semiring  $S$ , the following conditions are equivalent.

- (1)  $S$  is regular.
- (2)  $Q_1 \cap I \cap Q_2 \subseteq (Q_1 \cdot I \cdot Q_2) \cap (Q_1 + I + Q_2)$ , for the generalized quasi ideals  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  and ideals  $I$ .
- (3)  $Q_1 \cap I \cap Q \subseteq (Q_1 \cdot I \cdot Q) \cap (Q_1 + I + Q)$ , for the generalized quasi ideals  $Q_1$ , ideals  $I$  and quasi ideals  $Q$ .
- (4)  $Q \cap I \cap Q_2 \subseteq (Q \cdot I \cdot Q_2) \cap (Q + I + Q_2)$ , for the quasi ideals  $Q$ , ideals  $I$  and generalized quasi ideals  $Q_2$ .
- (5)  $Q \cap I \cap Q \subseteq (Q \cdot I \cdot Q) \cap (Q + I + Q)$ , for the quasi ideals  $Q$  and ideals  $I$ .
- (6)  $Q_1 \cap I \cap L \subseteq (Q_1 \cdot I \cdot L) \cap (Q_1 + I + L)$ , for the generalized quasi ideals  $Q_1$ , ideals  $I$  and left ideals  $L$ .
- (7)  $Q \cap I \cap L \subseteq (Q \cdot I \cdot L) \cap (Q + I + L)$ , for the quasi ideals  $Q$ , ideals  $I$  and left ideals  $L$ .

(8)  $R \cap I \cap Q_2 \subseteq (R \cdot I \cdot Q_2) \cap (R + I + Q_2)$ , for the right ideals  $R$ , ideals  $I$  and generalized quasi ideals  $Q_2$ .

(9)  $R \cap I \cap Q \subseteq (R \cdot I \cdot Q) \cap (R + I + Q)$ , for the right ideals  $R$ , ideals  $I$  and quasi ideals  $Q$ .

(10)  $R \cap I \cap L \subseteq (R \cdot I \cdot L) \cap (R + I + L)$ , for the right ideals  $R$ , ideals  $I$  and left ideals  $L$ .

(11)  $R \cap L = (R \cdot L) \cap (R + L)$ , for the right ideals  $R$  and left ideals  $L$ .

(12)  $Q_1 \cap I \subseteq (Q_1 \cdot I \cdot Q_1) \cap (Q_1 + I + Q_1)$ , for the generalized quasi ideals  $Q_1$  and ideals  $I$ .

(13)  $Q \cap I \subseteq (Q \cdot I \cdot Q) \cap (Q + I + Q)$ , for the quasi ideals  $Q$  and ideals  $I$ .

(14)  $Q_1 = (Q_1 \cdot S \cdot Q_1) \cap (Q_1 + S + Q_1)$ , for the generalized quasi ideals  $Q_1$ .

(15)  $Q = (Q \cdot S \cdot Q) \cap (Q + S + Q)$ , for the quasi ideals  $Q$ .

*Proof.* First, we prove that (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (5)  $\Rightarrow$  (11)  $\Rightarrow$  (1), (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (6)  $\Rightarrow$  (7)  $\Rightarrow$  (11), (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (4)  $\Rightarrow$  (8)  $\Rightarrow$  (9)  $\Rightarrow$  (10)  $\Rightarrow$  (11), (12)  $\Rightarrow$  (14)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) and (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (12)  $\Rightarrow$  (13)  $\Rightarrow$  (15)  $\Rightarrow$  (1).

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) By Theorem 3.18,  $Q_1 \cap I \cap Q_2 \subseteq (Q_1 \cdot I \cdot Q_2)$  and by Theorem 4.16,  $Q_1 \cap I \cap Q_2 \subseteq (Q_1 + I + Q_2)$ . Thus, (2) holds.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) By Theorem 3.18 and 4.16, (3) holds.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (5) The proof follows from Lemma 3.6 and 4.7.

(5)  $\Rightarrow$  (11) By Theorem 3.18 and 4.16, (11) holds.

(11)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) The proof follows from Theorem 4.17.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (6) The proof follows from Theorem 3.18 and 4.16.

(6)  $\Rightarrow$  (7) By Theorem 3.18 and 4.16, (7) holds.

(7)  $\Rightarrow$  (11) By Theorem 3.18,  $R \cap L = R \cdot L$  and by Theorem 4.16,  $R \cap L = R + L$ . Thus, (11) holds.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) By Theorem 3.18 and 4.16, (4) holds.

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (8) The proof follows from Lemma 3.6 and 4.7.

(8)  $\Rightarrow$  (9) The proof follows from Theorem 3.18 and 4.16.

(9)  $\Rightarrow$  (10) By Lemma 3.6 and Lemma 4.7, (10) holds.

(10)  $\Rightarrow$  (11) The proof follows from Theorem 3.18 and 4.16.

(12)  $\Rightarrow$  (14) By Theorem 3.18 and 4.16,  $Q_1 = Q_1 \cdot S \cdot Q_1$  and  $Q_1 = Q_1 + S + Q_1$ . Thus, (14) holds.

(14)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Now,  $Q_1 \subseteq Q_1 \cdot S \cdot Q_1 \subseteq [(Q_1 \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot Q_1)] \subseteq Q_1$ . Then  $Q_1 = Q_1 \cdot S \cdot Q_1$ . By Theorem 3.18,  $S$  is 1-regular. Then,  $Q_1 \subseteq Q_1 + S + Q_1 \subseteq [(Q_1 + S) \cap (S + Q_1)] \subseteq Q_1$ . Thus  $Q_1 = Q_1 + S + Q_1$ . By Theorem 4.16,  $S$  is 2-regular. Thus,  $S$  is regular.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (12) Taking  $Q_2 = Q_1$  in (2), we get the result.

(12)  $\Rightarrow$  (13) By Theorem 3.18 and 4.16, (13) holds.

(13)  $\Rightarrow$  (15) By Theorem 3.18 and 4.16,  $Q = Q \cdot S \cdot Q$  and  $Q = Q + S + Q$ . Thus, (15) holds.

(15)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Now,  $Q \subseteq Q \cdot S \cdot Q \subseteq [(Q \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot Q)] \subseteq Q$ . Then  $Q = Q \cdot S \cdot Q$ . By Theorem 3.18,  $S$  is 1-regular. Then,  $Q \subseteq Q + S + Q \subseteq [(Q + S) \cap (S + Q)] \subseteq Q$ . Thus  $Q = Q + S + Q$ . By Theorem 4.16,  $S$  is 2-regular. Thus,  $S$  is regular.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.19.** For any  $a \in S$ , the generalized quasi ideal generated by “ $a$ ”, denoted by  $\langle a \rangle_{gq}$  is given by  $\{a\} \cup [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \cup [(a + S) \cap (S + a)] \cup [(a \cdot S + S) \cap (S + (S \cdot a))]$ .

*Proof.* By Theorem 3.10 and 4.11,  $\{a\} \cup [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)]$  and  $\{a\} \cup [(a + S) \cap (S + a)]$  is a generalized 1-quasi ideal and generalized 2-quasi ideal of  $S$  respectively.

For  $x \in [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)]$ ,  $x + s' = (a \cdot s_1) + s' \in [(a \cdot S) + S]$  and

$s'' + x = s'' + (s_2 \cdot a) \in [S + (S \cdot a)]$  imply  $[(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] + S \cap [S + [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)]] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)]$ .

For  $x \in [(a + S) \cap (S + a)]$ ,  $x \cdot s' = (a + s_1) \cdot s' \in [(a \cdot S) + S]$  and  $s'' \cdot x = s'' \cdot (s_2 + a) \in [S + (S \cdot a)]$  imply  $[(a + S) \cap (S + a)] \cdot S \cap [S \cdot [(a + S) \cap (S + a)]] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)]$ .

Now,  $[(a \cdot S) + S] + S \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S]$  and  $S + [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq [S + (S \cdot a)]$  imply  $[(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] + S \cap [S + [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)]] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)]$ . Now,  $[(a \cdot S) + S] \cdot S \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S]$  and  $S \cdot [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq [S + (S \cdot a)]$  imply  $[(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \cdot S \cap [S \cdot [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)]] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)]$ .

Thus,  $\{a\} \cup [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \cup [(a + S) \cap (S + a)] \cup [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)]$  is a generalized quasi ideal in  $S$ . If  $A$  is a generalized quasi ideal in  $S$  such that  $a \in A$ , then  $\{a\} \cup [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \cup [(a + S) \cap (S + a)] \cup [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq A$ . Thus,  $\langle a \rangle_{gq}$  is a generalized quasi ideal generated by “ $a$ ”.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.20.** For any  $a \in S$ , the quasi ideal generated by “ $a$ ”, denoted by  $\langle a \rangle_q$  is given by  $\{na \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \cup \{a^m \mid m \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \cup [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \cup [(a + S) \cap (S + a)] \cup [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)]$ .

*Proof.* By Theorem 4.19,  $\{a\} \cup [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \cup [(a + S) \cap (S + a)] \cup [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)]$  is a generalized quasi ideal of  $S$ . Now,

$[(\{na \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} + S) \cap (S + \{na \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\})] \subseteq [(a + S) \cap (S + a)]$  and  $[(\{a^m \mid m \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot \{a^m \mid m \in \mathbb{Z}^+\})] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)]$ .

By Theorem 3.13 and 4.13,  $Q = \{na \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \cup \{a^m \mid m \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \cup [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \cup [(a + S) \cap (S + a)] \cup [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)]$ ,  $\{na \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \cup [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)]$  and  $\{a^m \mid m \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \cup [(a + S) \cap (S + a)]$  are generalized quasi ideal and sub  $b$ -semirings of  $S$  respectively.

Now,  $\{na \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} + \{a^m \mid m \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \subseteq [(a + S) \cap (S + a)] \subseteq Q$  and  $\{a^m \mid m \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} + \{na \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \subseteq [(a + S) \cap (S + a)] \subseteq Q$  and  $\{na \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \cdot \{a^m \mid m \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \subseteq [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$  and  $\{a^m \mid m \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \cdot \{na \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \subseteq [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ .

Let  $x \in \{na \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$  and  $y \in [(a + S) \cap (S + a)]$ . Then  $x + y = na + (a + s_1) = (n + 1)a + s_1 = a + (na + s_1) \in a + S$  and  $x + y = na + (s_2 + a) = (na + s_2) + a \in S + a$  imply  $\{na \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} + [(a + S) \cap (S + a)] \subseteq [(a + S) \cap (S + a)] \subseteq Q$ . Similarly,  $[(a + S) \cap (S + a)] + \{na \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \subseteq [(a + S) \cap (S + a)] \subseteq Q$ .

Now,  $x \cdot y = na \cdot (a + s_1) = [a \cdot (a + s_1)] + [(n - 1)a \cdot (a + s_1)] \in [(a \cdot S) + S]$  and  $x \cdot y = na \cdot (s_2 + a) = (na \cdot s_2) + (na \cdot a) \in [S + (S \cdot a)]$  imply  $\{na \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \cdot [(a + S) \cap (S + a)] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)]$ .

$S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$  and  $[(a + S) \cap (S + a)] \cdot \{na | n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ .

Let  $x \in \{na | n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$  and  $y \in [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)]$ . Then  $x + y = na + [(a \cdot s_1) + s_2] = [(n + 1)a \cdot (na + s_1)] + s_2 \in [(a \cdot S) + S]$  and  $x + y = (na + s_3) + (s_4 \cdot a) \in [S + (S \cdot a)]$  imply  $x + y \in [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ . Now,  $x \cdot y = na \cdot [(a \cdot s_1) + s_2] = [(a \cdot n(a \cdot s_1)) + (na \cdot s_2)] \in [(a \cdot S) + S]$  and  $x \cdot y = na \cdot [s_3 + (s_4 \cdot a)] = [(na \cdot s_3) + ((na \cdot s_4) \cdot a)] \in [S + (S \cdot a)]$  imply  $x \cdot y \in [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ .

Similarly,  $y + x$  and  $y \cdot x \in [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ .

Let  $x \in \{a^m | m \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$  and  $y \in [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)]$ . Then  $x + y = a^m + (a \cdot s_1) = (a \cdot a^{m-1}) + (a \cdot s_1) = [a + (a \cdot s_1)] \cdot [a^{m-1} + (a \cdot s_1)] \in [(a \cdot S) + S]$  and  $x + y = a^m + (s_3 \cdot a) = (a^m + s_3) \cdot (a^m + a) = [(a^m + s_3) \cdot a^m] + [(a^m + s_3) \cdot a] \in [S + (S \cdot a)]$  imply  $x + y \in [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ .

Now  $x \cdot y = a^m \cdot (a \cdot s_1) \in a \cdot S$  and  $x \cdot y = a^m \cdot (s_2 \cdot a) = (a^m \cdot s_2) \cdot a \in S \cdot a$  imply  $x \cdot y \in [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ . Similarly,  $y + x \in [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$  and  $y \cdot x \in [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ .

Let  $x \in \{a^m | m \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$  and  $y \in [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)]$ . Now,  $x + y = a^m + [(a \cdot s_1) + s_2] = (a \cdot a^{m-1}) + [(a \cdot s_1) + s_2] = [a + ((a \cdot s_1) + s_2)] \cdot [a^{m-1} + ((a \cdot s_1) + s_2)] \in [(a \cdot S) + S]$  and  $x + y = (a^m + s_4) + (s_5 \cdot a) \in [S + (S \cdot a)]$  imply  $x + y \in [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ . Now,  $x \cdot y = a^m \cdot [(a \cdot s_1) + s_2] = a \cdot [a^{m-1} \cdot (a \cdot s_1)] + (a^m \cdot s_2) \in [(a \cdot S) + S]$  and  $x \cdot y = a^m \cdot [s_4 + (s_5 \cdot a)] = (a^m \cdot s_4) + [(a^m \cdot s_5) \cdot a] \in [S + (S \cdot a)]$  imply  $x \cdot y \in [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ . Similarly,  $y + x$  and  $y \cdot x \in [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ .

Now,  $(a \cdot S) + (a + S) \subseteq (a \cdot S) + S$  and  $(S \cdot a) + (S + a) = [S + (S + a)] \cdot [(a + S) + a] \subseteq S \cdot (S + a)$  imply  $[(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] + [(a + S) \cap (S + a)] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$  and  $[(a + S) \cap (S + a)] + [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ .

Now,  $(a \cdot S) \cdot (a + S) = [(a \cdot S) \cdot a] + [(a \cdot S) \cdot S] \subseteq (a \cdot S) + S$  and  $(S \cdot a) \cdot (S + a) = [(S \cdot a) \cdot S] + [(S \cdot a) \cdot a] \subseteq S \cdot (S + a)$  imply  $[(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \cdot [(a + S) \cap (S + a)] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$  and  $[(a + S) \cap (S + a)] \cdot [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ .

Now,  $(a \cdot S) + [(a \cdot S) + S] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S]$  and  $(S \cdot a) + [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq [S + (S \cdot a)]$  imply  $[(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] + [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ . Similarly,  $[(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] + [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ .

$(S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ .

Now,  $(a \cdot S) \cdot [(a \cdot S) + S] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S]$  and  $(S \cdot a) \cdot [S + (S \cdot a)] = [(S \cdot a) \cdot S] + [(S \cdot a) \cdot (S \cdot a)] \subseteq [S + (S \cdot a)]$  imply  $[(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \cdot [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ . Similarly,  $[(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \cdot [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ .

Now,  $(a + S) + [(a \cdot S) + S] \subseteq (a + S) + [(a + S) \cdot S] = [(a + S) + (a + S)] \cdot [(a + S) + S] \subseteq (a + S) \cdot S = [(a \cdot S) + S]$  and  $(S + a) + [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq [S + (S \cdot a)]$  imply  $[(a + S) \cap (S + a)] + [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ .

Similarly,  $[(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] + [(a + S) \cap (S + a)] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ .

Now,  $(a + S) \cdot [(a \cdot S) + S] \subseteq [(a + S) \cdot S] = [(a \cdot S) + S]$  and  $(S + a) \cdot [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq [(S + a) \cdot S] + [(S + a) \cdot (S \cdot a)] \subseteq [S + (S \cdot a)]$  imply  $[(a + S) \cap (S + a)] \cdot [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ .

Similarly,  $[(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \cdot [(a + S) \cap (S + a)] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ .

Now,  $[(a \cdot S) + S] + [(a \cdot S) + S] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S]$  and  $[S + (S \cdot a)] + [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq [S + (S \cdot a)]$  imply  $[(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] + [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ .

Now,  $[(a \cdot S) + S] \cdot [(a \cdot S) + S] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S] \cdot S \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S]$  and  $[S + (S \cdot a)] \cdot [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq S \cdot [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq [S + (S \cdot a)]$  imply  $[(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \cdot [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq Q$ . Thus,  $Q$  is a quasi ideal in  $S$ . If  $A$  is a quasi ideal in  $S$  such that  $a \in A$ , then  $\{na | n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \cup \{a^m | m \in \mathbb{Z}^+\} \cup [(a \cdot S) \cap (S \cdot a)] \cup [(a + S) \cap (S + a)] \cup [(a \cdot S) + S] \cap [S + (S \cdot a)] \subseteq A$ . Thus,  $\langle a \rangle_q$  is the quasi ideal generated by “ $a$ ”.

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