



# Semi Simple Ternary Ideals In Ternary Semi Rings

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## ABSTRACT

We introduce the notion of a generalized semi-ideal in a ternary semiring. Various examples to establish a relationship between ideals, bi-ideals, quasi-ideals and generalized semi-ideals are furnished. A criterion for a commutative ternary semiring without any divisors of zero to a ternary division semiring is given.

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## 1. Introduction

Ternary rings and their structures were investigated by Lister [4] in 1971. In fact, Lister characterized those additive subgroups of rings which are closed under the triple product. In 2003, T. K. Dutta and S. Kar [3] introduced the notion of a ternary semiring as a generalization of a ternary ring. A ternary semiring arises naturally as follows. Consider the subset  $Z^-$  of all negative integers of  $Z$ . Then  $Z^-$  is an additive semigroup which is closed under the triple product.  $Z^-$  is a ternary semiring. Note that  $Z^-$  does not form a semiring. In [3] T. K. Dutta and S. Kar introduced the notions of left/right/lateral ideals of ternary semirings and also characterized regular ternary semirings. In 2005, S. Kar [1] introduced the notions of quasi-ideals and bi-ideals in a ternary semiring. The notion of a generalized semi-ideal in a ring has been introduced and studied by T. K. Dutta in [2]. In this paper we introduce the notion of a generalized semi-ideal in a ternary semiring and study them. Also, we establish a relationship between generalized semi-ideals, ideals, bi-ideals, etc. in a ternary semiring to study some properties of a generalized semi-ideals in ternary semirings.

## 2. Preliminaries

For preliminaries we refer to [1] and [3].

**Definition 2.1.** An additive commutative semigroup  $S$ , together with a ternary multiplication denoted by  $[ ]$  is said to be a ternary semiring if  $[abc]de = [a[bcd]e] = [ab[cde]]$ ,

$$i) [(a+b)cd] = [acd] + [bcd],$$

$$ii) [a(b+c)d] = [abd] + [acd],$$

$$iii) [ab(c+d)] = [abc] + [abd] \text{ for all } a, b, c, d, e \in S.$$

Throughout,  $S$  will denote a ternary semiring unless otherwise stated.

**Definition 2.2.** If there exists an element  $o \in S$  such that  $o + x = x$  and  $[oxy] = [xyo] = [xoy] = o$  for all  $x, y \in S$ , then  $o$  is called the zero element of  $S$ . In this case we say that  $S$  is a ternary semiring with zero.

**Definition 2.3.**  $S$  is called a commutative ternary semiring if  $[abc] = [bac] = [bca]$ , for all  $a, b, c \in S$ .

**Definition 2.4.** An additive subsemigroup  $T$  of  $S$  is called a ternary subsemiring of  $S$  if  $[t_1 t_2 t_3] \in T$  for all  $t_1, t_2, t_3 \in T$ .

**Definition 2.5.** An element  $a$  in  $S$  is called regular if there exists an element  $x \in S$  such that  $[axa] = a$ .  $S$  is called regular if all of its elements are regular.

**Definition 2.6.**  $S$  is said to be zero-divisor free (ZDF) if for  $a, b, c \in S$ ,  $[abc] = o$  implies that  $a = o$  or  $b = o$  or  $c = o$ .

**Definition 2.7.**  $S$  with  $|S| \geq 2$  is called a ternary division semiring if for any non-zero element  $a$  of  $S$ , there exists a non-zero element  $b \in S$  such that  $[abx] = [bax] = [xab] = [xba] = x$ , for all  $x \in S$ .

**Definition 2.8.** A left (right/lateral) ideal  $I$  of  $S$  is an additive subsemigroup of  $S$  such that  $[s_1 s_2 i] \in I$

$([is_1s_2] \ I/[s_1is_2] \ I)$  for all  $i \in I$ , for all  $s_1, s_2 \in S$ . If  $I$  is a left, a right and a lateral ideal of  $S$ , then  $I$  is called an ideal of  $S$ .

**Definition 2.9.** An additive subsemigroup  $Q$  of  $S$  is called a quasi-ideal of  $S$  if  $[QSS]([SQS] + [SSQSS])[SSQ] \subseteq Q$ .

**Definition 2.10.** A ternary subsemiring  $B$  of  $S$  is called a bi-ideal of  $S$  if  $[BSBSB] \subseteq B$ .

### 3. Generalized semi-ideals in ternary semirings

Generalized semi-ideals in semirings are introduced and studied by T.K. Dutta in [1]. As a generalization, we define generalized semi-ideals in ternary semirings.

**Definition 3.1.** A non-empty subset  $A$  of  $S$  satisfying the condition  $a + b \in A$ , for all  $a, b \in A$  is called

- i) generalized left semi-ideal of  $S$  if  $[[xxx]xa] \in A$  for all  $a \in A$  for all  $x \in S$ ,
- ii) generalized right semi-ideal of  $S$  if  $[axx]xx] \in A$  for all  $a \in A$ , for all  $x \in S$ ,
- iii) generalized lateral semi-ideal of  $S$  if  $[xxa]xx] \in A$  for all  $a \in A$ , for all  $x \in S$ ,
- iv) generalized semi-ideal of  $S$  if it is a generalized left semi-ideal, a generalized right semi-ideal and a generalized lateral semi-ideal of  $S$ .

**Example 3.2.** Consider a ternary semiring  $Z$  of all integers. The subset  $A$  of  $Z$  containing all non-negative integers and the set  $B$  of all non-positive integers are generalized semi-ideals of  $Z$ .

**Remark 3.3.** The concepts of generalized semi-ideal and ternary subsemiring are independent in  $S$ . This means that is every ternary subsemiring of  $S$  need not be a generalized semi-ideal of  $S$  and every generalized semi-ideal of  $S$  need not be a ternary subsemiring of  $S$ . For this, consider the following examples.

**Example 3.4.** Let  $S = M_2(Z_0)$  be the ternary semiring of the set of all  $2 \times 2$  square matrices over  $Z_0$ , the set of all non-positive integers.

Let  $T = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} / a \in Z_0 \right\}$ .  $T$  is a ternary subsemiring of  $S$ , but it is not a generalized semi-ideal of  $S$ .

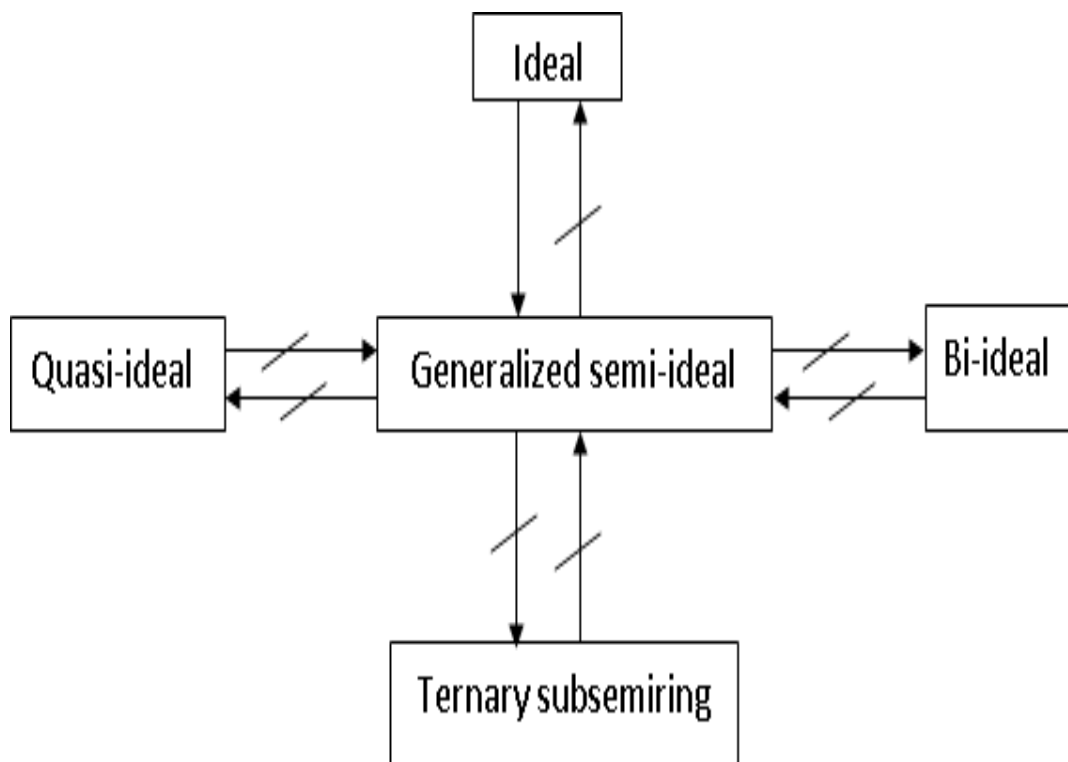
**Example 3.5.** Let  $S = \dots, 2i, i, 0, i, 2i, \dots$  be a ternary semiring with respect to addition and complex triple multiplication. Let  $A = \{0, i, 2i\}$ .  $A$  is a generalized semi-ideal of  $S$ , but not a ternary subsemiring of  $S$ .

Every ideal of  $S$  is a generalized semi-ideal of  $S$  but the converse need not be true.

**Example 3.6.** Every quasi-ideal need not be a generalized semi-ideal and every generalized semi-ideal need not be a quasi-ideal of  $S$ . In Example 3.4),  $T$  is a quasi-ideal of  $S$ , but it is not a generalized semi-ideal of  $S$ . In Example 3.5,  $A$  is a generalized semi-ideal of  $S$ , but not a quasi-ideal of  $S$ .

Every quasi-ideal is a bi-ideal in  $S$  [2]. Hence, the bi-ideals and generalized semi-ideals in  $S$  are independent concepts.

The flow-chart of the relationship between the ideals, bi-ideals, quasi-ideals, ternary subsemiring and generalized semi-ideals in a ternary semiring is given below.



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