

# ( ; ) Q Fuzzy Subrings

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**Abstract:** In this paper we introduce the notions of ( ; ) Q Fuzzy Subrings and ( ; ) Q Fuzzy Ideals. We give example which are ( ; ) Q fuzzy subrings [ ( ; ) Q fuzzy ideals] but not Q-fuzzy subrings [Q-fuzzy ideals]. Finally we have characterized ( ; ) Q fuzzy ideals of a ring.

**Key words:** Q-fuzzy subring, Q-fuzzy ideal, ( ; ) Q Fuzzy Subring, ( ; ) Q Fuzzy ideal and homomorphism.

## 1 Introduction

Zadeh in 1965 [12] introduced fuzzy sets, after which several researchers explored on the generalization of the notion of fuzzy sets. W. Liu [5] defined a fuzzy subring of a ring. Bhakat and Das introduced the concepts of  $(2; 2_{-q})$ -fuzzy groups [1, 2] and  $(2; 2_{-q})$ -fuzzy subring [3]. Yao [10, 11] continued to research ( ; ) fuzzy normal subgroups, ( ; ) fuzzy quotient subgroups and ( ; ) fuzzy subrings. Solairaju et.al. [6, 7, 8] have introduced and defined a new algebraic structure called Q -fuzzy subring of a ring. P. Sarangapani et.al. [9] introduced Q fuzzy version of ( ; ) fuzzy ideals of near ring. We introduce ( ; ) Q-fuzzy subrings, ( ; ) Q fuzzy ideals and established some results.

## 2 Preliminaries

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $X$  be a non-empty set and  $Q$  be a non-empty set. A Q -fuzzy subset  $A$  of  $X$  is a function  $A : X \rightarrow Q \rightarrow [0; 1]$ :

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $(R; +; )$  be a ring and  $Q$  be a non-empty set. A A -fuzzy subset  $A$  of  $R$  is said to be a Q -fuzzy subring of  $R$  if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i)  $A(x + y; q) = A(x; q) \wedge A(y; q)$
- (ii)  $A(x; q) = A(x; q)$
- (iii)  $A(xy; q) = A(x; q) \wedge A(y; q)$ ; for all  $x, y \in R$ ;  $q \in Q$ :

Definition 2.3. Let  $A$  be any  $Q$ -fuzzy subset of a ring  $R$ : For  $t \in [0; 1]$ ; the set  $A = \{x \in R \mid A(x; q) \geq t\}$  is called level subset of  $A$ :

Definition 2.4. Let  $f$  be a mapping from ring  $R_1$  to ring  $R_2$ : For any fuzzy set  $B$  in  $R_2$ ; we define a new fuzzy set defined as  $f^{-1}(B)$  in  $R_1$  where  $f^{-1}(B)(x; q) = B(f(x); q)$ ;  $x \in R_1$ ;  $q \in Q$ :

For any fuzzy set  $A$  in  $R_2$ ; we define  $f(A)$  by

$$f(A)(y; q) = \sup\{A(x; q) \mid f(x) = y\}; \quad y \in R_2$$

Definition 2.5. A  $Q$ -fuzzy subset  $A$  of ring  $R$  is called an  $(; \_q)$   $Q$ -fuzzy subring of  $R$  if for all  $x, y \in R$  and  $q \in Q$ ;

- (i)  $A(x + y; q) = A(x; q) \wedge A(y; q) \geq 0.5$
- (ii)  $A(xy; q) = A(x; q) \wedge A(y; q) \geq 0.5$

Definition 2.6. A  $Q$ -fuzzy subset  $A$  of ring  $R$  is called an  $(; \_q)$   $Q$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  if for all  $x, y \in R$  and  $q \in Q$ ;

- (i)  $A(x + y; q) = A(x; q) \wedge A(y; q) \geq 0.5$
- (ii)  $A(xy; q) = A(x; q) \_ A(y; q) \geq 0.5$

### 3 $(; )$ $Q$ -fuzzy Subrings

Definition 3.1. Let  $R$  be a ring and  $Q$  be a non-empty set. A  $Q$ -fuzzy subset  $A$  of  $R$  is said to be a  $(; )$   $Q$ -fuzzy subring of  $R$  if the following conditions are satisfied.

- (i)  $A(x + y; q) \_ A(x; q) \wedge A(y; q) \geq$

$$(ii) \quad A(x; q) \_ A(x; q) \wedge :$$

$$(iii) \quad A(xy; q) \_ A(x; q) \wedge A(y; q) \wedge :$$

for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $R$  and  $q$  in  $Q$ :

Remark 3.2. An  $Q$ -fuzzy subring is a  $( ; )$ - $Q$ -fuzzy subring with  $\_ = 0$  and  $\_ = 1$  and a  $(2; 2 \_ q)$ - $Q$ -fuzzy subring is a  $( ; )$ - $Q$ -fuzzy subring with,  $\_ = 0$  and  $\_ = 0.5$ :

Thus every  $Q$ -fuzzy subring and  $(2; 2 \_ q)$   $Q$ -fuzzy subring of  $R$  is a  $( ; )$ - $Q$ -fuzzy subring of  $R$ : However, the converse is not necessarily true as shown in the following example.

Example 3.3. Consider the ring  $R = (Z_4; ; )$ ; where  $Z_4 = \{0; 1; 2; 3\}$  and let  $Q = \{q\}$ : Let the  $Q$ -fuzzy subset  $A$  be defined by  $A(0; q) = 0.47$ ;  $A(1; q) = A(3; q) = 0.46$ ;  $A(2; q) = 0.48$ ; Then, by routine calculation  $A$  is a  $(0.1; 0.4)$ - $Q$ -fuzzy subring of  $R$ : But, since  $A(2 \_ 2; q) = A(0; q) = 0.47$   $A(2; q) \wedge A(2; q) = 0.48$  and  $A(2 \_ 2; q) = A(0; q) = 0.47$   $A(2; q) \wedge A(2; q) \wedge 0.5 = 0.48$ ;  $A$  is neither an  $Q$ -fuzzy subring of  $R$  nor a  $(2; 2 \_ q)$ - $Q$ -fuzzy subring of  $R$ :

Theorem 3.4. Let  $A$  be a  $( ; )$   $Q$ -fuzzy subring of a ring  $R$ : Then  $A(0; q) \_ A(x; q) \wedge$  for all  $x \in R$  and  $q \in Q$ ; where  $0$  is the identity in  $R$ :

Proof. The proof is straight forward and omitted.  $\square$

Theorem 3.5.  $A$  is a  $( ; )$   $Q$ -fuzzy subring of a ring  $R$  if and only if  $A(xy; q) \_ A(x; q) \wedge A(y; q) \wedge$  and  $A(xy; q) \_ A(x; q) \wedge A(y; q) \wedge$ ; for all  $x; y$  in  $R$  and  $q$  in  $Q$ :

Proof. Let  $A$  be a  $( ; )$ - $Q$ -fuzzy subring of  $R$ ; then

$$\begin{aligned} A(x \_ y; q) \_ &= (A(x \_ y; q) \_ ) \_ ((A(x; q) \wedge A(y; q)) \wedge) \_ \\ &= (A(x; q) \_ ) \wedge (A(y; q) \_ ) \wedge ( \_ ) \quad A(x; q) \wedge (A(y; q) \wedge) \wedge : \end{aligned}$$



Conversely, suppose that  $A$  is a subring of  $R$  and  $x, y \in R$ :

(a)(i) If  $x, y \in A$ ;  $q \in Q$ ; then by assumption  $x \quad y \in A$ ; which implies that



$$f(x \ y; q) = = f(x; q) \wedge f(y; q): \text{ So } f(x \ y; q) \_ = f(x; q) \wedge f(y; q) \wedge :$$

(ii)If  $x; y \in A$ ; (or one of  $x$  and  $y \in A$ )  $q \in Q$ ; then  $f(x; q) \wedge f(y; q) =$  and  $f(x \ y) =$  or ; this implies that  $f(x \ y; q) \geq f(x; q) \wedge f(y; q)$  and  $f(x \ y; q) \_ = f(x; q) \wedge f(y; q) \wedge$

(b)(i)If  $x; y \in A; q \in Q$ ; then by assumption  $xy \in A$ ; which implies that  $f(xy; q) = = f(x; q) \wedge f(y; q):$  So  $f(xy; q) \_ \geq f(x; q) \wedge f(y; q) \wedge :$

(ii)If  $x; y \in A$ ; (or one of  $x$  and  $y \in A$ )  $q \in Q$ ; then  $f(x; q) \wedge f(y; q) =$  and  $f(x \ y) =$  or ; this implies that  $f(xy; q) \geq f(x; q) \wedge f(y; q)$  and  $f(xy; q) \_ = f(x; q) \wedge f(y; q) \wedge :$

Therefore  $f$  is a  $( ; )$ - $Q$ -fuzzy subring of

$R$ :

□

Theorem 3.7. If  $A$  and  $B$  are two  $( ; )$   $Q$ -fuzzy subrings of a ring  $R$ ; then their intersection  $A \cap B$  is a  $( ; )$   $Q$ -fuzzy subring of  $R$ :

Proof. Let  $x; y \in R; q; q_2 \in Q$  and  $C = A \cap B$ :

$$\begin{aligned} C(x \ y; q) \_ &= [A(x \ y; q) \wedge B(x \ y; q)] \_ \\ &= [A(x \ y; q) \_ ] \wedge [B(x \ y; q) \_ ] \\ &= [A(x; q) \wedge A(y; q) \wedge ] \wedge [B(x; q) \wedge B(y; q) \wedge ] = A(x; \\ & q) \wedge A(y; q) \wedge B(x; q) \wedge B(y; q) \wedge \\ &= [A(x; q) \wedge B(x; q)] \wedge [A(y; q) \wedge B(y; q) \wedge ] \\ &= C(x; q) \wedge C(y; q) \wedge \\ &= [A(xy; q) \_ ] \wedge [B(xy; q) \_ ] \\ &= [A(x; q) \wedge A(y; q) \wedge ] \wedge [B(x; q) \wedge B(y; q) \wedge ] = [A(x; \\ & q) \wedge A(y; q) \wedge B(x; q) \wedge B(y; q)] \wedge \\ &= [A(x; q) \wedge B(x; q)] \wedge [A(y; q) \wedge B(y; q)] \wedge \\ &= C(x; q) \wedge C(y; q) \wedge \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $C = A \cap B$  is a  $( ; )$   $Q$ -fuzzy subring of  $R$ :

Proposition 3.8. Let  $R$  be a ring and  $C_A$  be the characteristic function of a subset  $A$  of  $R$ : Then  $C_A$  is a  $( ; )$ - $Q$ -fuzzy subring of  $R$  if and only if  $A$  is

a subring of R:

Proof. Since  $C_A(x; q) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in A \\ < 1 & \text{if } x \notin A \end{cases}$

Suppose  $A$  is a  $(; )$ -Q-fuzzy subring of R. Then,

(a)  $C_A(x; q) = C_A(y; q) = 1$  and by assumption  $C_A(x+y; q) \geq C_A(x; q) \wedge C_A(y; q) = 1$ ; which implies that  $C_A(x+y; q) = 1$ . Thus  $x+y \in A$ .

(b) Similarly,  $C_A(xy; q) \geq C_A(x; q) \wedge C_A(y; q) = 1$  which implies that  $C_A(xy; q) = 1$ . Thus  $xy \in A$ . Therefore  $A$  is a subring of R.

Conversely, suppose that  $A$  is a subring of R and  $x, y \in R$ :

(a) Let  $x, y \in R$  be such that  $x, y \in A$ ;  $q \in Q$ ; then by assumption  $C_A(x+y; q) = 1 \geq C_A(x; q) \wedge C_A(y; q)$  and  $C_A(xy; q) = 1 \geq C_A(x; q) \wedge C_A(y; q)$ .

(b) If  $x, y \notin A$ ;  $q \in Q$ ; then  $C_A(x+y; q) \geq C_A(x; q) \wedge C_A(y; q) = 0$  and  $C_A(xy; q) \geq C_A(x; q) \wedge C_A(y; q) = 0$ .

(c) If  $x \in A$  and  $y \notin A$  or  $x \notin A$  and  $y \in A$  then  $C_A(x+y; q) \geq C_A(x; q) \wedge C_A(y; q) = 0$  and  $C_A(xy; q) \geq C_A(x; q) \wedge C_A(y; q) = 0$ .

Thus  $C_A$  is a Q-fuzzy subring of R and by Remark  $C_A$  is a  $(; )$ -Q-fuzzy subring of R.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.9.** Let  $A$  be a Q-fuzzy subset of a ring R: Then  $A$  is a  $(; )$ -Q-fuzzy subring of R if and only if  $A$  is a subring of R; for all  $q \in Q$ .

**Proof.** Let  $A$  be a  $(; )$ -Q-fuzzy subring of R:

Let  $q \in Q$  and  $x, y \in R$  then

$$C_A(x+y; q) \geq C_A(x; q) \wedge C_A(y; q)$$

So  $C_A(x+y; q) = 1$  and  $x+y \in A$ : Similarly  $xy \in A$ :

Conversely, let  $A$  be a  $Q$ -fuzzy subring of  $R$  for all  $2 ( ; ]$ : If there exist  $x; y 2 R$ ; such that  $A(x y; q) < A(x; q) \wedge A(y; q)$ ; then  $x; y 2 A$  and  $x y 2 A$ : This is a contradiction with that  $A$  is subring.

Hence  $A(x y; q) = A(x; q) \wedge A(y; q)$  holds for all  $x; y 2 R$ : Similarly, we have  $A(xy; q) = A(x; q) \wedge A(y; q)$ : Therefore  $A$  is a ( ; )  $Q$ -fuzzy subring of  $R$ :  $\square$

Definition 3.10. Let  $A$  be a  $Q$ -fuzzy subset of  $R$ : Then  $A$  is called a ( ; )  $Q$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  if

- (i)  $A(x y; q) = A(x; q) \wedge A(y; q)$ ;
- (ii)  $A(xy; q) = [A(x; q) \wedge A(y; q)]$ ; for all  $x; y 2 R$  and  $q 2 Q$ :

Remark 3.11. A  $Q$ -fuzzy ideal is a ( ; )- $Q$ -fuzzy ideal with  $\alpha = 0$  and  $\beta = 1$  and a  $(2; 2 \_q)$ - $Q$ -fuzzy ideal is a ( ; )- $Q$ -fuzzy ideal with,  $\alpha = 0$  and  $\beta = 0.5$ :

Thus every  $Q$ -fuzzy ideal and  $(2; 2 \_q)$ - $Q$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  is a ( ; )- $Q$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ : However, the converse is not necessarily true as shown in the following example.

Example 3.12. Consider the ring  $R = (Z_4; ; )$ ; where  $Z_4 = \{0; 1; 2; 3\}$  and let  $Q = \{q\}$ : Let the  $Q$ -fuzzy subset  $A$  be defined by  $A(0; q) = 0.47$ ;  $A(1; q) = A(3; q) = 0.45$ ;  $A(2; q) = 0.48$ ; Then, by routine calculation  $A$  is a  $(0.1; 0.4)$   $Q$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ : But, since  $A(2 \cdot 2; q) = A(0; q) = 0.47$   $A(2; q) \wedge A(2; q) = 0.48$  and  $A(2 \cdot 2; q) = A(0; q) = 0.47$   $A(2; q) \wedge A(2; q) \wedge 0.5 = 0.48$ ;  $A$  is neither a  $Q$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  nor a  $(2; 2 \_q)$ - $Q$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$

Theorem 3.13. Let  $A$  be a  $Q$ -fuzzy subset of  $R$ : Then  $A$  is a ( ; )  $Q$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  if  $A$  is an ideal of  $R$  for all  $2 ( ; ]$ :

Proof. Let  $A$  be a ( ; )  $Q$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ ; then for all  $2 ( ; ]$ ; we have that  $A$  is a subring of  $R$  from Theorem 3.4. Let  $x 2 A$ ;  $r 2 R$  then



$A(x; q)$  and  $A(xr; q) \geq A(x; q) \wedge A(r; q) \geq \alpha$  : So  $A(xr; q) \geq \alpha$  and  $xr \in A$  : Similarly  $rx \in A$  : Hence  $A$  is an ideal of  $R$ :

Conversely, let  $A$  be an ideal of  $R$  for all  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ : If there exist  $x, y \in R$  such that  $A(xy; q) < \alpha < [A(x; q) \wedge A(y; q)]$  : Now

$[A(x; q) \wedge A(y; q)] \geq \alpha$  : Then  $A(x; q) \geq \alpha$  ;  $A(y; q) \geq \alpha$  and  $\alpha > A(xy; q)$  : Hence  $x, y \in A$  and  $A$  being an ideal of  $R$ ;  $xy \in A$  and  $A(xy; q) \geq \alpha$  :

It is contradiction. It follows that

$A(xy; q) \geq [A(x; q) \wedge A(y; q)]$  for all  $x, y \in R$  and  $q \in Q$ : From Theorem 3.4 we have that

$A(x \ y; q) \geq A(x; q) \wedge A(y; q) \geq \alpha$  for all  $x, y \in R; q \in Q$ :

Therefore  $A$  is a  $(; )$   $Q$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ : □

**Theorem 3.14.** Let  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  be two rings and  $f : R_1 \rightarrow R_2$  be a homomorphism. If  $B$  is a  $(; )$ - $Q$  fuzzy subring(ideal) of  $R_2$ ; then the pre image  $f^{-1}(B)$  of  $R_2$  under  $f$  is a  $(; )$ - $Q$  fuzzy subring(ideal) of  $R_1$ :

**Proof.** Let  $B$  is a  $(; )$ - $Q$  fuzzy subring of  $R_2$ :

Let  $x_1, x_2 \in R_1$  and  $q_1, q_2 \in Q$ :

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(B)(x_1 \ x_2; q) &= B(f(x_1 \ x_2); q) \\ &= B(f(x; q) \ f(x_2; q)) \\ &= B(f(x; q) \wedge f(x_2; q)) \\ &= f^{-1}(B)(x_1; q) \wedge f^{-1}(B)(x_2; q) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(B)(x_1x_2; q) &= B(f(x_1x_2); q) \\ &= B(f(x; q)f(x_2; q)) \\ &= B(f(x; q) \wedge f(x_2; q)) \\ &= f^{-1}(B)(x_1; q) \wedge f^{-1}(B)(x_2; q) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f^{-1}(B)(x; q_1q_2) &= B(f(x); q_1q_2) \\ &= B(f(x); q_1) \wedge B(f(x); q_2) \\ &= f^{-1}(B)(x; q_1) \wedge f^{-1}(B)(x; q_2) \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $f^{-1}(B)$  is a  $(; )$ - $Q$  fuzzy subring. □

Theorem 3.15. Let  $f : R_1 \rightarrow R_2$  be a homomorphism of rings and let  $A$  be a  $( ; )$ -Q fuzzy subring(ideal) of  $R_1$ : Then  $f(A)$  is a  $( ; )$ -Q fuzzy subring(ideal) of  $R_2$ :

Proof. For all  $y_1, y_2 \in R_2$ : We have

$$\begin{aligned} f(A)(y_1 \oplus y_2; q) &= \sup\{f(A)(x_1 \oplus x_2; q) = f(x_1 \oplus x_2) = y_1 \oplus y_2\} \\ &= \sup\{f(A)(x_1; q) \wedge f(A)(x_2; q) = f(x_1) \wedge f(x_2) = y_1 \wedge y_2\} \\ &= \sup\{f(A)(x_1; q) \wedge f(A)(x_2; q) = f(x_1) \wedge f(x_2) = y_1 \wedge y_2\} \\ &= \sup\{f(A)(x_1; q) = f(x_1) = y_1\} \wedge \sup\{f(A)(x_2; q) = f(x_2) = y_2\} \\ &= f(A)(y_1; q) \wedge f(A)(y_2; q) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(A)(y_1 y_2; q) &= \sup\{f(A)(x_1 x_2; q) = f(x_1 x_2) = y_1 y_2\} \\ &= \sup\{f(A)(x_1 x_2; q) = f(x_1 x_2) = y_1 y_2\} \\ &= \sup\{f(A)(x_1; q) \wedge f(A)(x_2; q) = f(x_1) \wedge f(x_2) = y_1 \wedge y_2\} \\ &= \sup\{f(A)(x_1; q) = f(x_1) = y_1\} \wedge \sup\{f(A)(x_2; q) = f(x_2) = y_2\} \\ &= f(A)(y_1; q) \wedge f(A)(y_2; q) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(A)(x_1; q_1 q_2) &= \sup\{f(A)(x_1; q_1 q_2) = f(x_1) = y_1\} \\ &= \sup\{f(A)(x_1; q_1 q_2) = f(x_1) = y_1\} \\ &= \sup\{f(A)(x_1; q_1) \wedge f(A)(x_1; q_2) = f(x_1) = y_1\} \\ &= \sup\{f(A)(x_1; q_1) = f(x_1) = y_1\} \wedge \sup\{f(A)(x_1; q_2) = f(x_1) = y_1\} \\ &= f(A)(x; q_1) \wedge f(A)(x; q_2) \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $f(A)$  is a  $( ; )$ -Q fuzzy subring.  $\square$

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