

UNI-SOFT IDEALS OF SEMIRINGS

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Abstract

The aim of this paper is to investigate the ideal theory of semirings based on uni-soft sets. Some basic operations on the ideals are considered and related properties are also studied. Finally, some characterizations of regular and intra-regular semirings are obtained by means of uni-soft ideals (bi-ideals, quasi-ideals).

1 Introduction

The traditional classical models often fail to overcome the complexities arising in the modeling of uncertain data in many fields like economics, engineering, environmental science, sociology, medical science etc. In order to overcome these difficulties, Molodtsov [18] introduced the concept of soft sets as a new mathematical tool for dealing with uncertainties. Maji et al. [16] discussed further soft set theory. Ali et al. [2] proposed some new operations on soft sets. As a continuation, several authors (for example, see [4, 5, 17]) described the application of soft set theory to decision making problems. Recently, the algebraic structures of soft sets [6, 22] have been studied increasingly, such as soft groups [20, 24], soft ideals in ordered semigroup [10], uni-soft semigroups [12, 13], soft rings [1], soft semirings [7, 15, 26, 27], soft near-rings [23, 25] and so on.

Semirings which are regarded as a generalization of rings have been found useful for dealing with problems in different areas of applied mathematics and information sciences, as the semiring structure provides an algebraic framework

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for modeling and investigating the key factors in these problems. We know that ideals of the semiring [8, 11] plays a central role in the structure theory and useful for many purposes and they do not in general coincide with the usual ring ideals and so many results in ring theory have no analogues in semirings using only ideals. In [19], Nobusawa introduced the notion of Γ -ring as more general than ring. After this many mathematicians, for example [14, 21], made works on this subject using the theory of soft sets.

As a continuation of this, in this paper, we have investigated the ideal theory of semirings [8] based on uni-soft sets and obtain some related properties. Finally, we describe some characterizations of regular and intra-regular semirings by means of uni-soft ideals.

2 Preliminaries

We recall the following definitions for subsequent use.

Definition 2.1. [8] A hemiring [respectively, semiring] is a nonempty set S on which operations addition and multiplication have been defined such that the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i) $(S, +)$ is a commutative monoid with identity 0 .
- (ii) (S, \cdot) is a semigroup [respectively, monoid with identity 1_S].
- (iii) Multiplication distributes over addition from either side.
- (iv) $0s = 0 = s0$ for all $s \in S$.
- (v) $1_S \neq 0$

Definition 2.2. A left ideal I of semiring S is a nonempty subset of S satisfying the following conditions:

- (i) If $a, b \in I$ then $a + b \in I$
- (ii) If $a \in I$ and $s \in S$ then $sa \in I$
- (iii) $I \neq S$.

A right ideal of S is defined in an analogous manner and an ideal of S is a nonempty subset which is both a left ideal and a right ideal of S .

Definition 2.3. [18] Let U be an initial universe set and E be a set of parameters. Let $P(U)$ denotes the power set of U . Consider a nonempty set A , $A \subseteq E$. A pair (f, A) is called a soft set over U , where f is a mapping given by $f : A \rightarrow P(U)$.

It is clear to see that a soft set is a parameterized family of subsets of the set U . Note that the set of all soft sets over U will be denoted by $S(U)$.

Definition 2.4. [1] Let (f, A) be a soft set. The set $Supp(f, A) = \{x \in A | f(x) \neq \phi\}$ is called the support of the soft set (f, A) . The soft set is said to be non-empty if its support is not equal to the empty set.

Definition 2.5. [5] Let $f, g \in S(U)$, then

- (i) The union of f and g , denoted by $f \cup g$, is defined as $(f \cup g)(x) = f(x) \cup g(x)$ for all $x \in E$.
- (ii) The \vee -product of f and g , denoted by $f \vee g$, is defined as $(f \vee g)(x, y) = f(x) \cup g(y)$ for all $x, y \in E$.

Definition 2.6. [13] Let $A \subseteq E$, the set of parameters and U be the universe. We denote χ_A , the uni-soft characteristic function of A and define as

$$\begin{aligned}\chi_A(x) &= \phi \text{ if } x \in A \\ &= U \text{ if } x \notin A.\end{aligned}$$

3 Uni-soft ideals with some operations

Throughout this paper unless otherwise mentioned S denotes the semiring, χ_S denotes its characteristic function.

Definition 3.1. Let f and g be two soft sets of a semiring S over U . We define composition of f and g as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}f \circ g(x) &= \cap[\cup_i \{ \cup \{ f(a_i), f(c_i), g(b_i), g(d_i) \} \}] \\ & \quad x + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i d_i \\ &= 0, \text{ if } x \text{ cannot be expressed as above} \\ & \quad \text{where } x, z, a_i, b_i, c_i, d_i \in S.\end{aligned}$$

Definition 3.2. Let f be a non-empty soft set of an semiring S (i.e. $f(x) \neq \phi$ for some $x \in S$) over U . Then f is called a uni-soft left ideal [resp. uni-soft right ideal] of S over U if

- (i) $f(x + y) \subseteq f(x) \cup f(y)$
- (ii) $f(xy) \subseteq f(y)$ [respectively, $f(xy) \subseteq f(x)$]

for all $x, y \in S$.

Note that for uni-soft k -ideal the following additional relation must holds:

For $x, a, b \in S$ with $x + a = b \Rightarrow f(x) \subseteq f(a) \cup f(b)$.

Example 3.3. Let $U = S = Z_4 = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$. Then S forms a semiring with respect to usual addition and multiplication of integers. Define $f(1) = f(3) = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ and $f(0) = f(2) = \{0, 2\}$. Then f is a uni-soft ideal of S over U .

Example 3.4. Let $U = Z^+$, $S = Z_4 = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$. Define soft set f of S over U by $f(0) = \{4n | n \in Z^+\}$, $f(1) = f(3) = \{n | n \in Z^+\}$ and $f(2) = \{2n | n \in Z^+\}$. Then we can easily check that f is a uni-soft k -ideal of S over U .

Proposition 3.5. Union of a non-empty collection of uni-soft left (respectively, right) ideals is also a uni-soft left (respectively, right) ideal of S over U .

Proof. Let $\{f_i : i \in I\}$ be a non-empty family of uni-soft left ideals of S over U and $x, y \in S$.

Then

$$\begin{aligned} (\bigcup_{i \in I} f_i)(x + y) &= \bigcup_{i \in I} \{f_i(x + y)\} \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} \{f_i(x) \cup f_i(y)\} \\ &= \bigcup_{i \in I} \{ \bigcup_{i \in I} f_i(x), \bigcup_{i \in I} f_i(y) \} = (\bigcup_{i \in I} f_i)(x) \cup (\bigcup_{i \in I} f_i)(y). \end{aligned}$$

Again

$$(\bigcup_{i \in I} f_i)(xy) = \bigcup_{i \in I} \{f_i(xy)\} \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} f_i(y) = (\bigcup_{i \in I} f_i)(y).$$

Hence $\bigcup_{i \in I} f_i$ is a uni-soft left ideal of S .

Similarly we can prove the result for uni-soft right ideal also. \square

Theorem 3.6. Let f and g be uni-soft left ideals of an semiring S over U . Then $f \vee g$ is a uni-soft left ideal of $S \times S$ over U .

Proof. Let $(x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2) \in S \times S$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (f \vee g)((x_1, x_2) + (y_1, y_2)) &= (f \vee g)(x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2) \\ &= (f(x_1 + y_1) \cup g(x_2 + y_2)) \\ &= (f(x_1 + y_1)) \cup (g(x_2 + y_2)) \\ &\subseteq (f(x_1) \cup f(y_1)) \cup (g(x_2) \cup g(y_2)) \\ &= (f \vee g)(x_1, x_2) \cup (f \vee g)(y_1, y_2) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (f \vee g)((x_1, x_2)(y_1, y_2)) &= (f \vee g)(x_1 y_1, x_2 y_2) \\ &= (f(x_1 y_1) \cup g(x_2 y_2)) \\ &= (f(x_1 y_1)) \cup (g(x_2 y_2)) \\ &\subseteq f(y_1) \cup g(y_2) = (f \vee g)(y_1, y_2). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $f \vee g$ is a uni-soft left ideal of $S \times S$ over U . \square

Theorem 3.7. Let f be a soft set of an semiring S over U . Then f is a uni-soft left ideal of S if and only if $f \vee f$ is a uni-soft left ideal of $S \times S$ over U .

Proof. Assume that f is a uni-soft left ideal of S over U . Then by Theorem 3.6, $f \vee f$ is a uni-soft left ideal of $S \times S$ over U .

Conversely, suppose that $f \vee f$ is a uni-soft left ideal of $S \times S$ over U . Let $x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2 \in S$ and $\gamma \in \Gamma$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (f(x_1 + y_1) \cup f(x_2 + y_2)) &= (f \vee f)(x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2) \\ &= (f \vee f)((x_1, x_2) + (y_1, y_2)) \\ &\subseteq (f \vee f)(x_1, x_2) \cup (f \vee f)(y_1, y_2) \\ &= (f(x_1) \cup f(x_2)) \cup (f(y_1) \cup f(y_2)). \end{aligned}$$

Now, putting $x_1 = x$, $x_2 = 0$, $y_1 = y$ and $y_2 = 0$, in this inequality and noting that $f(0) \subseteq f(x)$ for all $x \in S$, we obtain $f(x + y) \subseteq f(x) \cup f(y)$.
Next, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (f(x_1y_1) \cup f(x_2y_2)) &= (f \vee f)(x_1y_1, x_2y_2) \\ &= (f \vee f)((x_1, x_2)(y_1, y_2)) \\ &\subseteq (f \vee f)(y_1, y_2) \\ &= f(y_1) \cup f(y_2). \end{aligned}$$

Taking $x_1 = x$, $y_1 = y$ and $y_2 = 0$, we obtain $f(xy) \subseteq f(y)$.
Hence f is a uni-soft left ideal of S over U . \square

Theorem 3.8. *Let f_1, f_2 be any two uni-soft k -ideals of S over U . Then f_1of_2 is a uni-soft ideal of S over U .*

Proof. Let f_1, f_2 be any two uni-soft k -ideals of S over U and $x, y \in S$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (f_1of_2)(x + y) &= \cap \{ \cup_i \{ f_1(a_i), f_2(b_i), f_1(c_i), f_2(d_i) \} \} \\ &\subseteq \cap \{ \cup_i \{ f_1(x_{1i}), f_1(x_{3i}), f_1(y_{1i}), f_1(y_{3i}), f_2(x_{2i}), f_2(x_{4i}), f_2(y_{2i}), f_2(y_{4i}) \} \} \\ &\subseteq \cup \{ \cap \{ \cup_i \{ f_1(x_{1i}), f_1(x_{3i}), f_2(x_{2i}), f_2(x_{4i}) \} \}, \cap \{ \cup_i \{ f_1(y_{1i}), f_1(y_{3i}), f_2(y_{2i}), f_2(y_{4i}) \} \} \} \\ &= (f_1of_2)(x) \cup (f_1of_2)(y). \end{aligned}$$

Now assuming f_1, f_2 are as uni-soft right ideals we have

$$\begin{aligned} (f_1of_2)(xy) &= \cap \{ \cup_i \{ f_1(a_i), f_2(b_i), f_1(c_i), f_2(d_i) \} \} \\ &\subseteq \cap \{ \cup_i \{ f_1(x_{1i}), f_1(x_{3i}), f_2(x_{2i}y), f_2(x_{4i}y) \} \} \\ &\subseteq \cap \{ \cup_i \{ f_1(x_{1i}), f_1(x_{3i}), f_2(x_{2i}), f_2(x_{4i}) \} \} \\ &= (f_1of_2)(x). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, assuming f_1, f_2 are as uni-soft left k -ideals we can show that $(f_1of_2)(xy) \subseteq (f_1of_2)(y)$.

Hence f_1of_2 is a uni-soft ideal of S over U . \square

4 Uni-soft ideals of regular semiring

Definition 4.1. A soft set f of a semiring S over U is called uni-soft bi-ideal if for all $x, y, z \in S$ we have

- (i) $f(x + y) \subseteq f(x) \cup f(y)$
- (ii) $f(xy) \subseteq f(x) \cup f(y)$
- (iii) $f(xyz) \subseteq f(x) \cup f(z)$

Definition 4.2. A soft set f of a semiring S over U is called uni-soft quasi-ideal if for all $x, y \in S$ we have

- (i) $f(x + y) \subseteq f(x) \cup f(y)$
- (ii) $((f \circ \chi_S) \cup (\chi_S \circ f))(x) \subseteq f(x)$

Proposition 4.3. Intersection of a non-empty collection of uni-soft bi-ideals of S over U is also a uni-soft bi-ideal of S over U .

Proof. The proof follows by routine verifications. \square

Proposition 4.4. Let $\{f_i : i \in I\}$ be a family of uni-soft bi-ideals of S over U such that $f_i \subseteq f_j$ or $f_j \subseteq f_i$ for $i, j \in I$. Then $\bigcup_{i \in I} f_i$ is a uni-soft bi-ideal of S over U .

Proof. Straightforward. \square

Lemma 4.5. In a semiring every uni-soft quasi ideals are uni-soft bi-ideals.

Proof. Let f be a uni-soft quasi ideal of S over U . It is sufficient to prove that $f(xyz) \subseteq f(x) \cup f(z)$ for all $x, y, z \in S$. Since f is a uni-soft quasi ideal of S over U , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(xyz) &\subseteq ((f \circ \chi_S) \cup (\chi_S \circ \mu))(xyz) \\
 &= \{(f \circ \chi_S)(xyz) \cup (\chi_S \circ f)(xyz)\} \\
 &= \cup \left\{ \cap \left(\bigcup_i (f(a_i) \cup f(c_i)) \right), \cap \left(\bigcup_i (f(b_i) \cup f(d_i)) \right) \right\} \\
 &\quad xyz + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i d_i \quad xyz + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i d_i \\
 &\subseteq f(0) \cup f(x) \cup f(0) \cup f(z) \text{ (since } xyz + 0 + 0 = xyz + 0) \\
 &= f(x) \cup f(z).
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we can show that $f(xy) \subseteq f(x) \cup f(y)$ for all $x, y \in S$.

Example 4.6. Let $U = Z$, $S = \{0, a, b\}$. Then S forms a semiring with respect to addition and multiplication defined as:

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline + & 0 & a & b \\ \hline 0 & 0 & a & b \\ \hline a & a & a & a \\ \hline b & b & a & b \\ \hline \end{array} \text{ and } \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline \cdot & 0 & a & b \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline a & 0 & a & a \\ \hline b & 0 & a & a \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Now define soft set f on S over U as: $f(0) = 4Z$, $f(a) = 2Z$, $f(b) = Z$. Then f is a uni-soft bi-ideal of S over U which is not a uni-soft quasi-ideal.

□

Definition 4.7. A semiring S is said to be k -regular if for each $x \in S$, there exist $a, b \in S$ such that $x + xax = bx$.

Definition 4.8. A semiring S is said to be k -intra-regular if for each $x \in S$, there exist $z, a_i, a'_i, b_i, b'_i \in S$, $i \in \mathbf{N}$, the set of natural numbers, such that

$$x + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i x^2 a'_i = \sum_{i=1}^n b_i x^2 b'_i.$$

Theorem 4.9. Let S be a k -regular semiring and $x \in S$. Then

- (i) $f(x) \subseteq (f \circ \chi_S \circ f)(x)$ for every uni-soft k -bi-ideal f of S over U .
- (ii) $f(x) \subseteq (f \circ \chi_S \circ f)(x)$ for every uni-soft k -quasi-ideal f of S over U .

Proof. Let S be a k -regular semiring and x be any element of S . Suppose f be any uni-soft k -bi-ideal of S . Since S is k -regular there exist $a, b \in S$ such that $x + xax = bx$. Now

$$\begin{aligned} & (f \circ \chi_S \circ f)(x) \\ &= \cap \left(\cup_i \{ (f \circ \chi_S)(a_i), (f \circ \chi_S)(c_i), f(b_i), f(d_i) \} \right) \\ & \quad x + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i d_i \\ & \subseteq \cap \{ (f \circ \chi_S)(xa), (f \circ \chi_S)(xb), f(x) \} \\ & \quad \text{[since } x + xax = bx\text{]} \\ &= \cap \{ \cap \left(\cup_i \{ (f(a_i), f(c_i)) \} \right), \cap \left(\cup_i \{ (f(a_i), f(c_i)) \} \right), f(x) \} \\ & \quad xa + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i d_i \quad xb + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i d_i \\ & \subseteq \cap \{ f(x), f(x), f(x) \} \\ & \quad \text{[since } xa + xaxa = xbx a \text{ and } xb + xaxb = xbx\text{]} \\ &= f(x). \end{aligned}$$

This implies that $f(x) \subseteq (f \circ \chi_S \circ f)(x)$.

(i) \Rightarrow (ii) is straightforward from Lemma 4.5. □

Theorem 4.10. Let S be a k -regular semiring and $x \in S$. Then

- (i) $(f \cup g)(x) \subseteq (f \circ g \circ f)(x)$ for every uni-soft k -bi-ideal f and every uni-soft k -ideal g of S over U .
- (ii) $(f \cup g)(x) \subseteq (f \circ g \circ f)(x)$ for every uni-soft k -quasi-ideal f and every uni-soft k -ideal g of S over U .

Proof. Assume that S is a k -regular semiring. Let f and g be any uni-soft k -bi-ideal and uni-soft k -ideal of S over U , respectively and x be any element of S . Since S is k -regular, there exist $a, b \in S$ such that $x + xax = xbx$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
& (f \circ g \circ f)(x) \\
&= \cap_i \{(f \circ g)(a_i), (f \circ g)(c_i), f(b_i), f(d_i)\} \\
&\quad x + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i d_i \\
&\subseteq \cap \{(f \circ g)(xa), (f \circ g)(xb), f(x)\} \\
&\quad [\text{since } x + xax = xbx] \\
&= \cap \{\cap_i \{(f(a_i), f(c_i), g(b_i), g(d_i))\}, \cap_i \{(f(a_i), f(c_i), g(b_i), g(d_i))\}, f(x)\} \\
&\quad x a a + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i d_i \quad x b + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i d_i \\
&\subseteq \cup \{\cup \{f(x), f(axa), g(bxa)\}, \cup \{f(x), g(axb), g(bxb)\}, f(x)\} \\
&\quad [\text{since } xa + xaxa = xbx a \text{ and } xb + xaxb = xbx b] \\
&\subseteq f(x) \cup g(x) = (f \cup g)(x).
\end{aligned}$$

(i) \Rightarrow (ii) is straightforward from Lemma 4.5. \square

Theorem 4.11. *Let S is both k -regular and k -intra-regular semiring and $x \in S$. Then*

(i) $f(x) = (f \circ f)(x)$ for every uni-soft k -bi-ideal f of S over U .

(ii) $f(x) = (f \circ f)(x)$ for every uni-soft k -quasi-ideal f of S over U .

Proof. Suppose S is both k -regular and k -intra-regular semiring. Let $x \in S$ and f be any uni-soft k -bi-ideal of S over U . Since S is both k -regular and k -intra-regular there exist $a_i, b_i, c_i, d_i \in S$, $i \in \mathbf{N}$ such that $x + \sum_{i=1}^n x a_i x^2 b_i x =$

$\sum_{i=1}^n x c_i x^2 d_i x$. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
(f \circ f)(x) &= \cap_i \{f(a_i), f(c_i), f(b_i), f(d_i)\} \\
&\quad x + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i \subseteq \sum_{i=1}^n c_i d_i \\
&\subseteq \cap_i \{f(x a_i x), f(x b_i x), f(x c_i x), f(x d_i x)\} \\
&\quad x + \sum_{i=1}^n x a_i x^2 b_i x = \sum_{i=1}^n x c_i x^2 d_i x \\
&\subseteq f(x).
\end{aligned}$$

Now $(f \circ f)(x) \subseteq (f \circ \chi_S)(x) \subseteq f(x)$. Hence $f(x) = (f \circ f)(x)$ for every uni-soft k -bi-ideal f of S .

(i) \Rightarrow (ii) is straightforward from the Lemma 4.5. \square

Theorem 4.12. *Let S is both k -regular and k -intra-regular semiring and $x \in S$. Then*

(i) $(f \cup g)(x) \subseteq (f \circ g)(x)$ for all uni-soft k -bi-ideals f and g of S over U .

(ii) $(f \cup g)(x) \subseteq (f \circ g)(x)$ for every uni-soft k -bi-ideals f and every uni-soft k -quasi-ideal g of S over U .

(iii) $(f \cup g)(x) \subseteq (f \circ g)(x)$ for every uni-soft k -quasi-ideals f and every uni-soft k -bi-ideal g of S over U .

(iv) $(f \cup g)(x) \subseteq (f \circ g)(x)$ for all uni-soft k -quasi-ideals f and g of S over U .

Proof. Assume that S is both k -regular and k -intra-regular semiring. Let $x \in S$ and f, g be any uni-soft k -bi-ideals of S over U . Since S is both k -regular and k -intra-regular there exist $a_i, b_i, c_i, d_i \in S$, $i \in \mathbf{N}$ such that

$$x + \sum_{i=1}^n x a_i x^2 b_i x \subseteq \sum_{i=1}^n x c_i x^2 d_i x. \text{ Therefore}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (f \circ g)(x) &= \cap [\cup_i \{f(a_i), f(c_i), g(b_i), g(d_i)\}] \\ &= \cap [\cup_i \{f(x a_i x), g(x b_i x), f(x c_i x), g(x d_i x)\}] \\ &= \cap [\cup_i \{f(x a_i x), g(x b_i x), f(x c_i x), g(x d_i x)\}] \\ &= f(x) \cup g(x) = (f \cup g)(x). \end{aligned}$$

(i) \Rightarrow (ii) \Rightarrow (iv) and (i) \Rightarrow (iii) \Rightarrow (iv) are obvious from Lemma 4.5. \square

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