

## ON $Q$ -FUZZY IDEALS IN ORDERED SEMIGROUPS

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**Abstract:** In this paper we shows that in ordered groupoids the  $Q$ -fuzzy right (resp.  $Q$ -fuzzy left) ideals are  $Q$ -fuzzy quasi-ideals, in ordered semigroups the  $Q$ -fuzzy quasi-ideals are  $Q$ -fuzzy bi-ideals, and in regular ordered semigroups the  $Q$ -fuzzy quasi-ideals and the  $Q$ -fuzzy bi-ideals coincide and show that if  $S$  is an ordered semigroup, then a  $Q$ -fuzzy subset  $f$  is a  $Q$ -fuzzy quasi-ideal of  $S$  if and only if there exist a  $Q$ -fuzzy right ideal  $g$  and a  $Q$ -fuzzy left ideal  $h$  of  $S$  such that  $f = g \cap h$ .

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### 1. Introduction

A fuzzy set theory was conceptualized by Professor L. A. Zadeh at the University of California in 1965, [14] as a generalization of abstract set theory. Zadehs initiation is virtually a complete paradigm shift that initially gained popularity in the Far East and its successful applications has gained further ground almost round the globe. Rosenfeld [11] used the ideal of fuzzy set to introduce the no-

tions of fuzzy subgroups. The ideal of fuzzy subsemigroup was also introduced by Kuroki [7], [9]. In [8], Kuroki characterized several classes of semigroups in terms of fuzzy left, fuzzy right and fuzzy bi-ideals. Xie [12] introduced the idea of extensions of fuzzy ideals in semigroups. The concept of fuzzy generalized bi-ideals of an ordered semigroup is introduced by Xie and Tang [13] and characterized regular ordered semigroups by means of fuzzy left ideals, fuzzy right ideals and fuzzy (generalized) bi-ideals. In [10], Majumder introduced the concept of  $Q$ -fuzzification of ideals of  $\Gamma$ -semigroups and some important properties have been investigated. In this paper we shows that in ordered groupoids the  $Q$ -fuzzy right (resp.  $Q$ -fuzzy left) ideals are  $Q$ -fuzzy quasi-ideals, in ordered semigroups the  $Q$ -fuzzy quasi-ideals are  $Q$ -fuzzy bi-ideals, and in regular ordered semigroups the  $Q$ -fuzzy quasi-ideals and the  $Q$ -fuzzy bi-ideals coincide and show that if  $S$  is an ordered semigroup, then a  $Q$ -fuzzy subset  $f$  is a  $Q$ -fuzzy quasi-ideal of  $S$  if and only if there exist a  $Q$ -fuzzy right ideal  $g$  and a  $Q$ -fuzzy left ideal  $h$  of  $S$  such that  $f = g \cap h$ .

## 2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, unless stated otherwise,  $S$  stands for an ordered semigroup. A function  $f$  from  $S \times Q$  to the real closed interval  $[0, 1]$  is called  $Q$ -fuzzy subset of  $S$ , where  $Q$  is a non-empty set. The ordered semigroup  $S$  itself is a  $Q$ -fuzzy subset of  $S$ , its characteristic function, also denoted by  $S$ , is defined as follows:

$$S : S \times Q \longrightarrow [0, 1] \mid (x, q) \mapsto S(x, q) := 1,$$

for all  $x \in S$  and  $q \in Q$ .

Let  $f$  and  $g$  be two  $Q$ -fuzzy subsets of  $S$ . Then the inclusion relation  $f \subseteq g$  means that

$$f(x, q) \leq g(x, q),$$

for all  $x \in S$  and  $q \in Q$ ,  $f \cap g$  and  $f \cup g$  are defined by

$$(f \cap g)(x, q) := \min\{f(x, q), g(x, q)\},$$

$$(f \cup g)(x, q) := \max\{f(x, q), g(x, q)\},$$

for all  $x \in S$  and  $q \in Q$ .

Let  $S$  and  $Q$  be an ordered semigroup and a non-empty set, respectively. For  $x \in S$ , we define  $A_x := \{(y, z) \in S \times S \mid x \leq yz\}$ . The product  $f \circ g$  of  $f$

and  $g$  is defined by

$$(\forall x \in S, \forall q \in Q)(f \circ g)(x, q) := \begin{cases} \bigvee_{(y,z) \in A_x} \min\{f(y, q), g(z, q)\} & \text{if } A_x \neq \emptyset, \\ 0 & \text{if } A_x = \emptyset, \end{cases}$$

We denote by  $f_{A \times Q}$  the characteristic function of  $A \times Q$ , that is, the mapping of  $S \times Q$  into  $[0, 1]$  defined by

$$f_{A \times Q}(x, q) := \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in A \times Q, \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin A \times Q, \end{cases}$$

for all  $(x, q) \in A \times Q$ .

### 3. Main Results

In this section, we introduced the notion of  $Q$ -fuzzy right (resp.  $Q$ -fuzzy left) ideals,  $Q$ -fuzzy quasi-ideals,  $Q$ -fuzzy bi-ideals of ordered semigroups, and investigate related properties.

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $S$  and  $Q$  be an ordered groupoid and a non-empty set, respectively. A  $Q$ -fuzzy subset  $f$  of  $S$  is called a  $Q$ -fuzzy right ideal (resp.  $Q$ -fuzzy left) ideal of  $S$  if:

- (1)  $x \leq y$  implies  $f(x, q) \geq f(y, q)$ , and
- (2)  $f(xy, q) \geq f(x, q)$  (resp.  $f(xy, q) \geq f(y, q)$ ),

for all  $x, y \in S$  and for all  $q \in Q$ .

**Definition 3.2.** Let  $S$  and  $Q$  be an ordered groupoid and a non-empty set, respectively. A  $Q$ -fuzzy subset  $f$  of  $S$  is called a  $Q$ -fuzzy quasi-ideal of  $S$  if:

- (1)  $x \leq y \Rightarrow f(x, q) \geq f(y, q)$ ,
- (2)  $(f \circ S) \cap (S \circ f) \subseteq f$ ,

for all  $x, y \in S$  and for all  $q \in Q$ .

**Definition 3.3.** Let  $S$  and  $Q$  be an ordered semigroup and a non-empty set, respectively. A  $Q$ -fuzzy subsemigroup  $f$  of  $S$  is called a  $Q$ -fuzzy bi-ideal of  $S$  if:

- (1)  $x \leq y \Rightarrow f(x, q) \geq f(y, q)$ ,
- (2)  $f(xyz, q) \geq \min\{f(x, q), f(z, q)\}$ ,

for all  $x, y, z \in S$  and for all  $q \in Q$ .

**Theorem 3.4.** *If  $S$  is an ordered groupoid and  $Q$  is a non-empty set, then the  $Q$ -fuzzy right (resp. left) ideals of  $S$  are  $Q$ -fuzzy quasi-ideals of  $S$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $f$  be a  $Q$ -fuzzy right ideal of  $S$  and  $x \in S, q \in Q$ . First of all,

$$((f \circ S) \cap (S \circ f))(x, q) = \min\{(f \circ S)(x, q), (S \circ f)(x, q)\}.$$

If  $A_x = \emptyset$ , then we have  $(f \circ S)(x, q) = 0 = (S \circ f)(x, q)$  and, since  $f$  is a  $Q$ -fuzzy right ideal of  $S$ , we have  $\min\{(f \circ S)(x, q), (S \circ f)(x, q)\} = 0 \leq f(x, q)$ .

If  $A_x \neq \emptyset$ , then

$$(f \circ S)(x, q) = \bigvee_{(u,v) \in A_x} \{\min\{f(u, q), S(v, q)\}\}.$$

On the other hand, if  $(u, v) \in A_x$ , then  $x \leq uv$  and  $f(x, q) \geq f(uv, q) \geq f(u, q) = \min\{f(u, q), S(v, q)\}$ . Hence, we have

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, q) &\geq \bigvee_{(u,v) \in A_x} \{\min\{f(u, q)\}\} \\ &\geq \min\{(f \circ S)(x, q), (S \circ f)(x, q)\} \\ &= ((f \circ S) \cap (S \circ f))(x, q). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $f$  is a  $Q$ -fuzzy quasi-ideal of  $S$ . □

**Theorem 3.5.** *If  $S$  is an ordered semigroup and  $Q$  is a non-empty set, then the  $Q$ -fuzzy quasi-ideals are  $Q$ -fuzzy bi-ideals of  $S$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $f$  be a  $Q$ -fuzzy quasi-ideal of  $S$  and  $x, y, z \in S, q \in Q$ . Then we have

$$f(xyz, q) \geq ((f \circ S) \cap (S \circ f))(xyz, q) = \min\{(f \circ S)(xyz, q), (S \circ f)(xyz, q)\}.$$

Since  $(x, yz) \in A_{xyz}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} (f \circ S)(xyz, q) &= \bigvee_{(u,v) \in A_{xyz}} \{\min\{f(u, q), S(v, q)\}\} \\ &\geq \min\{f(x, q), S(yz, q)\} \\ &= f(x, q). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $(xy, z) \in A_{xyz}$ , we have

$$(S \circ f)(xyz, q) = \bigvee_{(u,v) \in A_{xyz}} \{\min\{S(u, q), f(v, q)\}\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\geq \min\{S(xy, q), f(z, q)\} \\ &= f(z, q). \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

$$f(xyz, q) \geq \min\{(f \circ S)(xyz, q), (S \circ f)(xyz, q)\} \geq \min\{f(x, q), f(z, q)\}.$$

Hence  $f$  is a  $Q$ -fuzzy bi-ideal of  $S$ . □

An ordered semigroup  $S$  is called regular if for any  $a \in S$  there exists  $x \in S$  such that  $a \leq axa$ .

**Theorem 3.6.** *If  $S$  is a regular ordered semigroup and  $Q$  is a non-empty set, then the  $Q$ -fuzzy quasi-ideals and the  $Q$ -fuzzy bi-ideals coincide.*

*Proof.* Let  $f$  be a  $Q$ -fuzzy bi-ideal of  $S$  and  $x \in S, q \in Q$ . We will prove that

$$((f \circ S) \cap (S \circ f))(x, q) \leq f(x, q). \tag{1}$$

First of all, we have

$$((f \circ S) \cap (S \circ f))(x, q) = \min\{(f \circ S)(x, q), (S \circ f)(x, q)\}.$$

If  $A_x = \emptyset$ , then as we have already seen in Theorem 3.4, condition (1) is satisfied.

If  $A_x \neq \emptyset$ , then

$$(f \circ S)(x, q) = \bigvee_{(z,w) \in A_x} \{\min\{f(z, q), S(w, q)\}\}, \tag{2}$$

$$(S \circ f)(x, q) = \bigvee_{(u,v) \in A_x} \{\min\{S(u, q), f(v, q)\}\}. \tag{3}$$

Let  $(f \circ S)(x, q) \leq f(x, q)$ . Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, q) &\geq (f \circ S)(x, q) \\ &\geq \min\{(f \circ S)(x, q), (S \circ f)(x, q)\} \\ &= ((f \circ S) \cap (S \circ f))(x, q), \end{aligned}$$

and condition (1) is satisfied.

Let  $(f \circ S)(x, q) > f(x, q)$ . Then, by (2), there exists  $(z, w) \in A_x$  such that

$$\min\{f(z, q), S(w, q)\} > f(x, q) \tag{4}$$

(otherwise  $f(x, q) \leq (f \circ S)(x, q)$ , which is impossible). Since  $(z, w) \in A_x$ , we have  $z, w \in S$  and  $x \leq zw$ . Similarly, from  $\min\{f(z, q), S(w, q)\} = f(z, q)$ , by (4), we obtain

$$f(z, q) > f(x, q). \tag{5}$$

We will prove that  $(S \circ f)(x, q) \leq f(x, q)$ , then

$$\min\{(f \circ S)(x, q), (S \circ f)(x, q)\} \leq (S \circ f)(x, q) \leq f(x, q),$$

so that  $((f \circ S) \cap (S \circ f))(x, q) \leq f(x, q)$ , and condition (1) is satisfied.

By (3), it is enough to prove that

$$\min\{S(u, q), f(v, q)\} \leq f(x, q), \forall (u, v) \in A_x.$$

Let  $(u, v) \in A_x$ . Then  $x \leq uv$  for some  $u, v \in S$ . Since  $S$  is regular, there exists  $s \in S$  such that  $x \leq xsx$ . It follows that  $x \leq zwsuv$ . Since  $f$  is a  $Q$ -fuzzy bi-ideal of  $S$ , we have

$$\min\{S(u, q), f(v, q)\} \leq f(x, q), \forall (u, v) \in A_x,$$

and, we have

$$f(x, q) \geq f(zwsuv, q) \geq \min\{f(z, q), f(v, q)\}.$$

If  $\min\{f(z, q), f(v, q)\} = f(z, q)$ , then  $f(z, q) \leq f(x, q)$  which is impossible by (5). Thus we have  $\min\{f(z, q), f(v, q)\} = f(v, q)$ , then  $f(x, q) \geq f(v, q) = \min\{S(u, q), f(v, q)\}$ .  $\square$

In the following, using the usual definitions of ideals mentioned above, we show that the  $Q$ -fuzzy quasi-ideals of an ordered semigroup are just intersections of  $Q$ -fuzzy right and  $Q$ -fuzzy left ideals.

**Lemma 3.7.** *Let  $S$  and  $Q$  be an ordered semigroup and a non-empty set respectively. Let  $f$  be a  $Q$ -fuzzy subset of  $S$ . Then we have the following:*

- (1)  $(S \circ f)(xy, q) \geq f(y, q)$  for all  $x, y \in S, q \in Q$ ,
- (2)  $(S \circ f)(xy, q) \geq (S \circ f)(y, q)$  for all  $x, y \in S, q \in Q$ .

*Proof.* (1) Let  $x, y \in S$  and  $q \in Q$ . Since  $(x, y) \in A_{xy}$ , we have

$$(S \circ f)(xy, q) = \bigvee_{(w,z) \in A_{xy}} \{\min\{S(w, q), f(z, q)\}\} \geq \min\{S(x, q), f(y, q)\} = f(y, q).$$

(2) Let  $x, y \in S$  and  $q \in Q$ . If  $A_y = \emptyset$ , then  $(S \circ f)(y, q) = 0$ . Since  $(S \circ f)$  is a  $Q$ -fuzzy subset of  $S$ , we have  $(S \circ f)(xy, q) \geq 0 = (S \circ f)(y, q)$ . If  $A_x \neq \emptyset$ , then

$$(S \circ f)(y, q) = \bigvee_{(w,z) \in A_y} \{\min\{S(w, q), f(z, q)\}\}.$$

On the other hand,

$$(S \circ f)(xy, q) \geq \min\{S(w, q), f(z, q)\}, \forall (w, z) \in A_y. \tag{6}$$

Indeed, let  $(w, z) \in A_y$ . Since  $(x, y) \in A_{xy}$ , we have

$$(S \circ f)(xy, q) = \bigvee_{(s,t) \in A_{xy}} \{\min\{S(s, q), f(t, q)\}\}.$$

Since  $(w, z) \in A_y$ , we have  $y \leq wz$ , then  $xy \leq xwz$ , and  $(xw, z) \in A_{xy}$ . Hence we have

$$(S \circ f)(xy, q) \geq \min\{S(xw, q), f(z, q)\} = f(z, q) = \min\{S(w, q), f(z, q)\}.$$

By (6), we have

$$(S \circ f)(xy, q) \geq \bigvee_{(w,z) \in A_y} \{\min\{S(w, q), f(z, q)\}\} = (S \circ f)(y, q). \quad \square$$

In a similar way we can prove the following lemmas:

**Lemma 3.8.** *Let  $S$  and  $Q$  be an ordered semigroup and a non-empty set, respectively. Let  $f$  be a  $Q$ -fuzzy subset of  $S$ . Then we have the following:*

- (1)  $(S \circ f)(xy, q) \geq f(x, q)$  for all  $x, y \in S, q \in Q$ ,
- (2)  $(S \circ f)(xy, q) \geq (S \circ f)(x, q)$  for all  $x, y \in S, q \in Q$ .

**Lemma 3.9.** *Let  $S$  and  $Q$  be an ordered semigroup and a non-empty set, respectively. Let  $f$  be a  $Q$ -fuzzy subset of  $S$  and  $x \leq y$ . Then we have  $(S \circ f)(x, q) \geq (S \circ f)(y, q)$ , for all  $q \in Q$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $x, y \in S$  and  $q \in Q$ . Then, if  $A_y = \emptyset$ , then  $(S \circ f)(y, q) = 0$ . Since  $S \circ f$  is a  $Q$ -fuzzy subset of  $S$ , we have  $(S \circ f)(x, q) \geq 0$ , then  $(S \circ f)(x, q) \geq (S \circ f)(y, q)$ . If  $A_y \neq \emptyset$ , then

$$(S \circ f)(y, q) = \bigvee_{(w,z) \in A_y} \{\min\{S(w, q), f(z, q)\}\} = \bigvee_{(w,z) \in A_y} \{f(z, q)\}.$$

On the other hand,

$$(S \circ f)(x, q) \geq f(z, q), \forall (w, z) \in A_y. \tag{7}$$

Indeed, let  $(w, z) \in A_y$ . Since  $x \leq y \leq wz$ , we have  $(w, z) \in A_x$ . Then

$$(S \circ f)(xy, q) = \bigvee_{(s,t) \in A_{xy}} \{ \min\{S(s, q), f(t, q)\} \} \geq \min\{S(w, q), f(z, q)\} = f(z, q).$$

Thus, by (7), we have

$$(S \circ f)(x, q) \geq \bigvee_{(w,z) \in A_y} \{ f(z, q) \} = (S \circ f)(y, q).$$

The proof is completed. □

**Lemma 3.10.** *Let  $S$  and  $Q$  be an ordered semigroup and a non-empty set, respectively. Let  $f$  be a  $Q$ -fuzzy subset of  $S$  and  $x \leq y$ . Then we have  $(f \circ S)(x, q) \geq (f \circ S)(y, q)$ , for all  $q \in Q$ .*

**Lemma 3.11.** *Let  $S$  and  $Q$  be an ordered semigroup and a non-empty set, respectively. Let  $f$  be a  $Q$ -fuzzy subset of  $S$  such that  $x \leq y$ , we have  $f(x, q) \geq f(y, q)$  for all  $x, y \in S, q \in Q$ . Then the  $Q$ -fuzzy subset  $f \cup (S \circ f)$  is a  $Q$ -fuzzy left ideal of  $S$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $x, y \in S$  and  $q \in Q$ . By, Theorem 3.9, we have  $(f \cup (S \circ f))(xy, q) \geq (f \cup (S \circ f))(y, q)$ . Let now  $x \leq y$ . Then  $(f \cup (S \circ f))(x, q) \geq (f \cup (S \circ f))(y, q)$ . Indeed: Since  $f$  is a  $Q$ -fuzzy subset of  $S$  and  $x \leq y$ , by Lemma 3.7, we get  $(S \circ f)(x, q) \geq (S \circ f)(y, q)$  and, by hypothesis,  $f(x, q) \geq f(y, q)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} (f \cup (S \circ f))(x, q) &= \max\{f(x, q), (S \circ f)(x, q)\} \\ &\geq \max\{f(y, q), (S \circ f)(y, q)\} \\ &= (f \cup (S \circ f))(y, q). \end{aligned} \tag{□}$$

In a similar way we can prove the following:

**Lemma 3.12.** *Let  $S$  and  $Q$  be an ordered semigroup and a non-empty set, respectively. Let  $f$  be a  $Q$ -fuzzy subset of  $S$  such that  $x \leq y$ , we have  $f(x, q) \geq f(y, q)$  for all  $x, y \in S, q \in Q$ . Then the  $Q$ -fuzzy subset  $f \cup (f \circ S)$  is a  $Q$ -fuzzy right ideal of  $S$ .*



**Lemma 3.13.** *Let  $S$  and  $f, g, h$  be an ordered semigroup and  $Q$ -fuzzy subsets of  $S$ , respectively. Then*

$$f \cap (g \cup h) = (f \cap g) \cup (f \cap h).$$

*Proof.* Let  $x \in S$  and  $q \in Q$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (f \cap (g \cup h))(x, q) &= \min\{f(x, q), (g \cup h)(x, q)\} \\ &= \min\{f(x, q), \max\{g(x, q), h(x, q)\}\} \\ &= \max\{\min\{f(x, q), g(x, q)\}, \min\{f(x, q), h(x, q)\}\} \\ &= \max\{(f \cap g)(x, q), (f \cap h)(x, q)\} \\ &= ((f \cap g) \cup (f \cap h))(x, q). \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

**Corollary 3.14.** *Let  $S$  and  $Q$  be an ordered semigroup. Then the set of all  $Q$ -fuzzy subsets of  $S$  is a distributive lattice.*

**Theorem 3.15.** *Let  $S$  and  $Q$  be an ordered semigroup and a non-empty set, respectively. Then a  $Q$ -fuzzy subset  $f$  of  $S$  is a  $Q$ -fuzzy quasi-ideal of  $S$  if and only if there exist a  $Q$ -fuzzy right ideal  $g$  and a  $Q$ -fuzzy left ideal  $h$  of  $S$  such that  $f = g \cap h$ .*

*Proof.* ( $\Rightarrow$ ). By Lemma 3.11 and Lemma 3.12,  $f \cup (S \circ f)$  is a  $Q$ -fuzzy left ideal and  $f \cup (f \circ S)$  is a  $Q$ -fuzzy right ideal of  $S$ . Moreover, we have

$$f = (f \cup (S \circ f)) \cap (f \cup (f \circ S)).$$

In fact, by Corolary 3.14, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (f \cup (S \circ f)) \cap (f \cup (f \circ S)) &= ((f \cup (S \circ f)) \cap f) \cup ((f \cup (S \circ f)) \cap (f \circ S)) \\ &= (f \cap f) \cup ((S \circ f) \cap f) \cup (f \cap (f \circ S)) \cup ((S \circ f) \cap (f \circ S)) \\ &= f \cup ((S \circ f) \cap f) \cup (f \cap (f \circ S)) \cup ((S \circ f) \cap (f \circ S)). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $f$  is a  $Q$ -fuzzy quasi-ideal of  $S$ , we have  $(f \circ S) \cap (S \circ f) \subseteq f$ . Besides,  $(S \circ f) \cap f \subseteq f$  and  $f \cap (f \circ S) \subseteq f$ . Hence

$$(f \cup (S \circ f)) \cap (f \cup (f \circ S)) = f.$$

( $\Leftarrow$ ). Let  $x \in S$  and  $q \in Q$ . Then

$$((f \circ S) \cap (S \circ f))(x, q) \leq f(x, q) \tag{8}$$

In fact,  $((f \circ S) \cap (S \circ f))(x, q) = \min\{(f \circ S)(x, q), (S \circ f)(x, q)\}$ . If  $A_x = \emptyset$ , then  $(f \circ S)(x, q) = 0 = (S \circ f)(x, q)$ . Thus, in this case condition (8) is satisfied. If  $A_x \neq \emptyset$ , then

$$(f \circ S)(x, q) = \bigvee_{(y,z) \in A_x} \{\min\{f(y, q), S(z, q)\}\} = \bigvee_{(y,z) \in A_x} \{f(y, q)\}. \quad (9)$$

We have

$$f(y, q) \leq h(x, q), \forall (y, z) \in A_x. \quad (10)$$

Indeed, for  $(y, z) \in A_x$ , we have  $x \leq yz$  and  $h(x, q) \geq h(yz, q) \geq h(y, q)$  because  $h$  is a  $Q$ -fuzzy left ideal of  $S$ . Thus, applying (10) to (9), we obtain

$$(f \circ S)(x, q) = \bigvee_{(y,z) \in A_x} \{f(y, q)\} \leq h(x, q).$$

In a similar way, we get  $(S \circ f)(x, q) \leq g(x, q)$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} ((f \circ S) \cap (S \circ f))(x, q) &= \min\{(f \circ S)(x, q), (S \circ f)(x, q)\} \\ &\leq \min\{h(x, q), g(xq)\} \\ &= (h \cap g)(x, q) \\ &= f(x, q), \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof of (8).  $\square$

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