

## Characterizations of near-rings by $(\alpha, \beta)$ -fuzzy ideals

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ABSTRACT. Aim of this paper is to investigate the characterizations of the concept of  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -fuzzy ideals of left near-rings, where  $\alpha, \beta$  are any two of  $\{\in, q, \in \vee q, \in \wedge q\}$  with  $\alpha \neq \in \wedge q$  by using belongs to relation  $(\in)$  and quasi-coincidence with relation  $(q)$  between fuzzy points and fuzzy sets. An  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -fuzzy ideal, we can consider twelve different types of such structures because there are three types of  $\alpha$  and four types of  $\beta$ . But in this paper, mainly the types  $(\in, \in), (\in, \in \vee q), (q, \in \vee q), (\in \vee q, \in \vee q)$  are considered. We also discussed some characterizations of  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy subnear-rings and ideals of near-rings.

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## 1 Introduction

A near-ring satisfies all axioms of an associative ring, except commutativity of addition and one of the two distributive laws. The theory of fuzzy sets was initiated by Zadeh[29] in 1965. A new way of fuzzy subgroup, that is the  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -fuzzy subgroup, was introduced in an earlier paper of Bhakat and Das[7] by using the combined concept of 'belongingness' and 'quasi-coincidence' of fuzzy points and fuzzy sets, which was introduced Pu Ming and Liu Ming[24]. In particular, the concept of  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy subgroup is a useful generalization of Rosenfeld's fuzzy subgroup[25]. The concepts of fuzzy subnear-rings and fuzzy ideals in near-rings were first proposed by Abou Said[1]. Davvaz[11, 12] introduced the notion of  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy subnear-rings(R-subgroup, ideals) of a near-ring and also discussed some of its characterizations. Narayanan and Manikantan[22], introduced the notion of  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy subnear-rings and  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy ideals of near-rings. Deena and Coumerassane[14] discussed few concepts of  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy subnear-ring and ideals which is a generalization of  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy

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subnear-rings and ideals. Recently, Davvaz *et al.* introduced the notion of more generalized form of an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -fuzzy generalized bi-ideals of regular ordered semigroups in [13]. Asghar Khan *et al.* initiated the notion of  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy interior ideals of ordered semigroups in [4] and also proposed the idea of generalized fuzzy ideals of ordered semigroups in [3] and ordered semigroups characterized by  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy generalized bi-ideals in [5]. In [6], discussed the notion of new types of fuzzy bi-ideals in ordered semigroups. In [17, 18, 19], Jianming Zhan *et al.* introduced and characterized some properties of new types of fuzzy ideals (Redefined generalized fuzzy ideals, generalized fuzzy ideals) of near-rings. In [26, 27], Young Bae Jun *et al.* introduced the notion of generalized  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy subalgebras in BCK/BCI-algebras and he also discussed note on  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -fuzzy ideals of hemirings. Recently, Dudeh *et al.* [15], have considered the concept of  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -fuzzy ideals of hemirings and some of its properties. Muhammed Shabir [20], initiated the concept of  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -fuzzy ideals of regular semigroups and some of its characterizations. Our aim of this paper, is to investigate the characterizations of the concept of  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -fuzzy ideals of left near-rings, where  $\alpha, \beta$  are any two of  $\{\in, q, \in \vee q, \in \wedge q\}$  with  $\alpha \neq \in \wedge q$  by using belongs to relation  $(\in)$  and quasi-coincidence with relation  $(q)$  between fuzzy points and fuzzy sets. An  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -fuzzy ideal, we can consider twelve different types of such structures because there are three types of  $\alpha$  and four types of  $\beta$ . But in this paper, we consider mainly on the types  $(\in, \in), (\in, \in \vee q), (q, \in \vee q), (\in \vee q, \in \vee q)$  and discussed some characterizations of  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  and the relation between these generalized fuzzy ideals.

## 2 Basic definitions and preliminaries

In this section, some relevant definitions and notations are reproduced based on [11].

A *near-ring* is an algebraic system  $(R, +, \cdot)$  consisting of a non empty set  $R$  together with two binary operations called  $+$  and  $\cdot$  such that  $(R, +)$  is a group not necessarily abelian and  $(R, \cdot)$  is a semigroup connected by the following distributive law:  $x \cdot (y + z) = x \cdot y + x \cdot z$  valid, for all  $x, y, z \in R$ . We will use the word 'near-ring' to mean 'left near-ring'. We denote  $xy$  instead of  $x \cdot y$ .

An *ideal*  $I$  of a near-ring  $R$  is a subset of  $R$  such that (i)  $(I, +)$  is a normal subgroup of  $(R, +)$ , (ii)  $RI \subseteq I$ , (iii)  $(x + a)y - xy \in I$ , for any  $a \in I$  and  $x, y \in R$ .

Note that  $I$  is a *left ideal* of  $R$  if  $I$  satisfies (i) and (ii), and *right ideal* of  $R$  if  $I$  satisfies (i) and (iii).

A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of  $R$  we mean any map  $\mu : R \rightarrow [0, 1]$ . A fuzzy subset of the form

$$\mu(y) = \begin{cases} t \in (0, 1], & \text{if } y = x, \\ 0, & \text{if } y \neq x. \end{cases}$$

is called a *fuzzy point* with *support*  $x$  and value  $t$  and is denoted by  $x_t$ .

For a fuzzy point  $x_t$  and a fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of the same set  $R$ , Pu Ming and Liu Ming [24] introduced the symbol  $x_t \alpha \mu$ , where  $\alpha \in \{\in, q, \in \wedge q, \in \vee q\}$ . A fuzzy point  $x_t$  is said to *belong to* (resp. *quasi-coincident with*) a fuzzy subset  $\mu$ , written as  $x_t \in \mu$  (resp.  $x_t q \mu$ ) if  $\mu(x) \geq t$  (resp.  $\mu(x) + t > 1$ ). The symbol  $x_t \in \vee q \mu$  means that  $x_t \in \mu$  or  $x_t q \mu$ . Similarly,  $x_t \in \wedge q \mu$  denotes that  $x_t \in \mu$  and  $x_t q \mu$ .  $x_t \bar{\in} \mu$  and  $x_t \bar{\in} \vee q \mu$  means that  $x_t \in \mu$  and  $x_t \in \vee q \mu$  do not hold, respectively.

Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy subset of  $R$ . The set  $S_\mu = \{x \in R | \mu(x) > 0\}$  is called the *support* of  $\mu$ .

### 3 $(\alpha, \beta)$ -Fuzzy Ideal Of Near-ring

In what follows let  $R$  be a left near-ring and  $\alpha, \beta$  will denote any one of  $\in, q, \in \vee q, \in \wedge q$  unless otherwise specified.

**Definition 3.1.** A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of  $R$  is called an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -fuzzy subnear-ring of  $R$  where  $\alpha \neq \in \wedge q$  if

- (1)  $x_t \alpha \mu, y_r \alpha \mu \Rightarrow (x + y)_{\min\{t,r\}} \beta \mu$ ,
- (2)  $x_t \alpha \mu \Rightarrow (-x)_t \beta \mu$ ,
- (3)  $x_t \alpha \mu, y_r \alpha \mu \Rightarrow (xy)_{\min\{t,r\}} \beta \mu$ , for all  $x, y \in R$  and  $t, r \in (0, 1]$ .

**Definition 3.2.** A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of  $R$  is called an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  where  $\alpha \neq \in \wedge q$  if

- (i)  $x_t \alpha \mu, y_r \alpha \mu \Rightarrow (x - y)_{\min\{t,r\}} \beta \mu$ ,
- (ii)  $x_t \alpha \mu$  and  $y \in R \Rightarrow (y + x - y)_t \beta \mu$ ,
- (iii)  $y_t \alpha \mu$  and  $x \in R \Rightarrow (xy)_t \beta \mu$ ,
- (iv)  $z_t \alpha \mu$  and  $x, y \in R \Rightarrow ((x + z)y - xy)_t \beta \mu$ , for all  $x, y, z \in R$  and  $t, r \in (0, 1]$ .

A fuzzy subset which is an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -fuzzy left and right ideal is called an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -fuzzy ideal.

Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy subset of  $R$  such that  $\mu(x) \leq 0.5$  for all  $x \in R$ . Let  $x \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $x_t \in \in \wedge q \mu$ . Then  $\mu(x) \geq t$  and  $\mu(x) + t > 1$ . It follows that  $1 < \mu(x) + t \leq \mu(x) + \mu(x) = 2\mu(x)$ , so that  $\mu(x) \geq 0.5$ . This means that  $\{x_t : x_t \in \in \wedge q\} = \emptyset$ . Therefore the case  $\alpha = \in \wedge q$  in the above two definitions are omitted.

**Theorem 3.3.** The support of any non-zero  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -fuzzy ideal  $\mu$  of  $R$  is an ideal of  $R$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x, y \in S_\mu$ . Then  $\mu(x) > 0$  and  $\mu(y) > 0$ . Let  $\mu(x - y) = 0$ . If  $\alpha \in \{\in, q, \in \vee q, \in \wedge q\}$ , then  $x_{\mu(x)} \alpha \mu$  and  $y_{\mu(y)} \alpha \mu$  but  $\mu(x - y) = 0 < \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$  and  $\mu(x - y) + \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\} \leq 0 + 1 = 1$ . So  $(x - y)_{\min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}} \bar{\beta} \mu$ , for every  $\beta \in \{\in, q, \in \vee q, \in \wedge q\}$ , a contradiction. Hence  $\mu(x - y) > 0$ , that is,  $x - y \in S_\mu$ . Also  $x_1 q \mu$  and  $y_1 q \mu$  but  $(x - y)_1 \bar{\beta} \mu$ , for every  $\beta \in \{\in, q, \in \vee q, \in \wedge q\}$ . Hence  $\mu(x - y) > 0$ , that is,  $x - y \in S_\mu$ . Let  $x \in S_\mu$  and  $y \in R$ . Suppose that  $\mu(y + x - y) = 0$  and let  $\alpha \in \{\in, q, \in \vee q, \in \wedge q\}$ . Then  $x_{\mu(x)} \alpha \mu$  but  $(y + x - y)_{\mu(x)} \bar{\beta} \mu$  for every  $\beta \in \{\in, q, \in \vee q, \in \wedge q\}$ , a contradiction. Also  $x_1 q \mu$  but  $(y + x - y)_1 \bar{\beta} \mu$  for every  $\beta \in \{\in, q, \in \vee q, \in \wedge q\}$ . Hence  $\mu(y + x - y) > 0$ , that is,  $y + x - y \in S_\mu$ . Let  $x \in R$  and  $y \in S_\mu$ . Assume that  $\mu(xy) = 0$ . If  $\alpha \in \{\in, q, \in \vee q, \in \wedge q\}$ , then  $y_{\mu(y)} \alpha \mu$  but  $(xy)_{\mu(y)} \bar{\beta} \mu$  for every  $\beta \in \{\in, q, \in \vee q, \in \wedge q\}$ . This is a contradiction. Also  $y_1 q \mu$  but  $(xy)_1 \bar{\beta} \mu$  for every  $\beta \in \{\in, q, \in \vee q, \in \wedge q\}$ . Therefore  $\mu(xy) > 0$  and so  $xy \in S_\mu$ . Similarly,  $(x + z)y - xy \in S_\mu$ . Hence  $S_\mu$  is an ideal of  $R$ .  $\square$

**Definition 3.4.** A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of  $R$  is said to be an  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy subnear-ring of  $R$  if for all  $x, y \in R$  and  $t, r \in (0, 1]$ :

- (1)  $x_t, y_r \in \mu$  implies  $(x + y)_{\min\{t,r\}} \in \vee q \mu$ ,
- (2)  $x_t \in \mu$  implies  $(-x)_t \in \vee q \mu$ ,
- (3)  $x_t, y_r \in \mu$  implies  $(xy)_{\min\{t,r\}} \in \vee q \mu$ .

**Theorem 3.5.**[22] A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of  $R$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy subnear-ring of  $R$  if and only if  $\mu(x - y), \mu(xy) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), 0.5\}$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ .  $\square$

**Definition 3.6** [22] A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of  $R$  is said to be an  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  if for all  $x, y, z \in R$  and  $t, r \in (0, 1]$ :

- (1)  $x_t, y_r \in \mu$  implies  $(x - y)_{\min\{t, r\}} \in \vee q\mu$ ,
- (2)  $x_t \in \mu$  and  $y \in R$  implies  $(y + x - y)_t \in \vee q\mu$ ,
- (3)  $y_t \in \mu$  and  $x \in R$  implies  $(xy)_t \in \vee q\mu$ ,
- (4)  $z_t \in \mu$  and  $x, y \in R$  implies  $((x + z)y - xy)_t \in \vee q\mu$ .

A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  which is an  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy left ideal of  $R$  if it satisfies (1),(2) and (3). A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  which is an  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy right ideal of  $R$  if it satisfies (1),(2) and (4).

**Theorem 3.7.**[22] A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of  $R$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  if and only if for all  $x, y, z \in R$  :

- (1)  $\mu(x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), 0.5\}$ ,
- (2)  $\mu(y + x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), 0.5\}$ ,
- (3)  $\mu(xy) \geq \min\{\mu(y), 0.5\}$ ,
- (4)  $\mu((x + z)y - xy) \geq \min\{\mu(z), 0.5\}$ .

$\square$

**Theorem 3.8.** Let  $I$  be an ideal of  $R$ . For every  $t \in (0, 0.5]$ , there exists an  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy ideal  $\mu$  of  $R$  such that  $\mu_t = I$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy subset in  $R$  defined by

$$\mu(x) = \begin{cases} t & \text{if } x \in I \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

for all  $x \in R$ , where  $t \in (0, 0.5]$ . Obviously,  $\mu_t = I$ . Assume that  $\mu(x - y) < \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), 0.5\}$ , for some  $x, y \in R$ . Since  $\mu$  has two valued, that is  $|Im(\mu)| = 2$  it follows that  $\mu(x - y) = 0$  and  $\min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), 0.5\} = t$ . Hence  $\mu(x) = t = \mu(y)$  and so  $x, y \in I$ . Thus  $x - y \in I$ , since  $I$  is an ideal of  $R$  and so  $\mu(x - y) = t$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore  $\mu(x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), 0.5\}$ . Let us suppose that  $\mu(y + x - y) < \min\{\mu(x), 0.5\}$ , for some  $x, y \in R$ . It follows that  $\mu(y + x - y) = 0$  and  $\min\{\mu(x), 0.5\} = t$ . Hence  $\mu(x) = t$  and so  $x \in I$ . Since  $I$  is an ideal of  $R$ , then  $y + x - y \in I$ . Thus  $\mu(y + x - y) = t$ , which is a contradiction and hence  $\mu(y + x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), 0.5\}$ . If there exist  $x, y \in R$  such that  $\mu(xy) < \min\{\mu(y), 0.5\}$ . Then  $\mu(xy) = 0$  and  $\min\{\mu(y), 0.5\} = t$  and so  $\mu(y) = t$ . This implies that  $y \in I$ . Since  $I$  is an ideal of  $R$ , then  $xy \in I$ . Thus  $\mu(xy) = t$ . This leads to a contradiction, which implies that  $\mu(xy) \geq \min\{\mu(y), 0.5\}$ . Similarly, the same procedure we have  $\mu((x + z)y - xy) \geq \min\{\mu(z), 0.5\}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.9.** If  $I$  is an ideal of  $R$ , then a fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of  $R$  such that

$$\mu(x) = \begin{cases} \geq 0.5 & \text{if } x \in I \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

is an  $(\alpha, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ .

*Proof.* (a) Let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t, r \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $x_t \in \mu$  and  $y_r \in \mu$ . Then  $\mu(x) \geq t$  and  $\mu(y) \geq r$ . Thus

$x, y \in I$  and so  $x - y \in I$ , that is,  $\mu(x - y) \geq 0.5$ . If  $\min\{t, r\} \leq 0.5$ , then  $\mu(x - y) \geq 0.5 \geq \min\{t, r\}$ . Hence  $(x - y)_{\min\{t, r\}} \in \mu$ . If  $\min\{t, r\} > 0.5$ , then  $\mu(x - y) + \min\{t, r\} > 0.5 + 0.5 = 1$  and so  $(x - y)_{\min\{t, r\}} q\mu$ . Therefore  $(x - y)_{\min\{t, r\}} \in \vee q\mu$ . Now, let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $x_t \in \mu$ . Then  $\mu(x) \geq t$ , which implies  $x \in I$  and so  $(y + x - y) \in I$ . Consequently  $\mu(y + x - y) \geq 0.5$ . If  $t \leq 0.5$ , then  $\mu(y + x - y) \geq 0.5 \geq t$ . Hence  $(y + x - y)_t \in \mu$ . If  $t > 0.5$ , then  $\mu(y + x - y) + t > 0.5 + 0.5 = 1$  and so  $(y + x - y)_t q\mu$ . Thus  $(y + x - y)_t \in \vee q\mu$ . Also, let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $y_t \in \mu$ . Then  $\mu(y) \geq t$ . Thus  $y \in I$  and so  $xy \in I$ , that is,  $\mu(xy) \geq 0.5$ . If  $t \leq 0.5$ , then  $\mu(xy) \geq 0.5 \geq t$ . Hence  $(xy)_t \in \mu$ . If  $t > 0.5$ , then  $\mu(xy) + t > 0.5 + 0.5 = 1$  and so  $(xy)_t q\mu$ . This implies that  $(xy)_t \in \vee q\mu$ . Similarly, we can prove that  $((x + z)y - xy)_t \in \vee q\mu$ . Therefore  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ .

(b) Let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t, r \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $x_t q\mu$  and  $y_r q\mu$ . Then  $\mu(x) + t > 1$  and  $\mu(y) + r > 1$  implies  $x, y \in I$ . Since  $x - y \in I$ , we have  $\mu(x - y) \geq 0.5$ . If  $\min\{t, r\} \leq 0.5$ , then  $\mu(x - y) \geq 0.5 \geq \min\{t, r\}$ . Hence  $(x - y)_{\min\{t, r\}} \in \mu$ . If  $\min\{t, r\} > 0.5$ , then  $\mu(x - y) + \min\{t, r\} > 0.5 + 0.5 = 1$  and so  $(x - y)_{\min\{t, r\}} q\mu$ . Thus  $(x - y)_{\min\{t, r\}} \in \vee q\mu$ . Now, let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $x_t q\mu$ . This means that  $\mu(x) + t > 1$ . Thus  $x \in I$  and so  $y + x - y \in I$ , since  $I$  is an ideal of  $R$ . This implies that  $\mu(y + x - y) \geq 0.5$ . If  $t \leq 0.5$ , then  $\mu(y + x - y) \geq 0.5 \geq t$ . Hence  $(y + x - y)_t \in \mu$ . If  $t > 0.5$ , then  $\mu(y + x - y) + t > 0.5 + 0.5 = 1$  and so  $(y + x - y)_t q\mu$ . Thus  $(y + x - y)_t \in \vee q\mu$ . Again, let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $y_t q\mu$ . Then  $\mu(y) + t > 1$  implies  $y \in I$ . So  $xy \in I$ , which implies that  $\mu(xy) \geq 0.5$ . If  $t \leq 0.5$ , then  $\mu(xy) \geq 0.5 \geq t$ . Hence  $(xy)_t \in \mu$ . If  $t > 0.5$ , then  $\mu(xy) + t > 0.5 + 0.5 = 1$  and so  $(xy)_t q\mu$ . Thus  $(xy)_t \in \vee q\mu$ . Let  $x, y, z \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $z_t q\mu$ . Then  $\mu(z) + t > 1$  and it follows that  $z \in I$ . Then  $(x + z)y - xy \in I$  and so  $\mu((x + z)y - xy) \geq 0.5$ . If  $t \leq 0.5$ , then  $\mu((x + z)y - xy) \geq 0.5 \geq t$ . Hence  $((x + z)y - xy)_t \in \mu$ . If  $t > 0.5$ , then  $\mu((x + z)y - xy) + t > 0.5 + 0.5 = 1$  and so  $((x + z)y - xy)_t q\mu$ . Thus  $((x + z)y - xy)_t \in \vee q\mu$ . Hence  $(q, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ .

(c) Similar consequence of (a) and (b), we have to prove that  $(\in \vee q, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ . □

**Theorem 3.10.** Every  $(\in \vee q, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\mu$  be an  $(\in \vee q, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ . Suppose that  $x, y \in R$  and  $t, r \in (0, 1]$  such that  $x_t \in \mu$  and  $y_r \in \mu$ . Then  $x_t \in \vee q\mu$  and  $y_r \in \vee q\mu$ . By the hypothesis  $(x - y)_{\min\{t, r\}} \in \vee q\mu$ . Now, let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$  such that  $x_t \in \mu$ . Then  $x_t \in \vee q\mu$ , so by hypothesis  $(y + x - y)_t \in \vee q\mu$ . For  $x, y \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$ . Then  $y_t \in \mu$  implies  $y_t \in \vee q\mu$ . Thus  $(xy)_t \in \vee q\mu$ , because  $\mu$  be an  $(\in \vee q, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ . Similarly, we prove  $((x + z)y - xy)_t \in \vee q\mu$ . Therefore  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ . □

**Theorem 3.11.** A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of  $R$  is an  $(\in, \in)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  if and only if it is a fuzzy ideal of  $R$ .

*Proof.* Assume that  $\mu$  is a fuzzy ideal of  $R$ . Let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t, r \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $x_t, y_r \in \mu$ . Then  $\mu(x) \geq t$  and  $\mu(y) \geq r$ . Since  $\mu$  is a fuzzy subgroup of  $R$ , we have  $\mu(x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\} \geq \min\{t, r\}$ , it follows that  $(x - y)_{\min\{t, r\}} \in \mu$ . Now let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$ . Then  $x_t \in \mu$  and so  $\mu(x) \geq t$ . Since  $\mu$  is a fuzzy ideal of  $R$ , we have  $\mu(y + x - y) \geq \mu(x) \geq t$ . Hence  $(y + x - y)_t \in \mu$ . Again, let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $y_t \in \mu$ . Then  $\mu(y) \geq t$ . Since  $\mu$  is a fuzzy ideal of  $R$ , then we have  $\mu(xy) \geq \mu(y) \geq t$ . Thus  $(xy)_t \in \mu$ . Again let  $x, z, y \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $\mu(z) \geq t$ . Since  $\mu$  is a fuzzy ideal of  $R$ , then  $\mu((x + z)y - xy) \geq \mu(z) \geq t$ . Thus  $((x + z)y - xy)_t \in \mu$  and therefore  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ .

Conversely, assume that  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ . On the contrary assume that there exist  $x, y \in R$  such

that  $\mu(x - y) < \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$ . Choose  $t \in (0, 1]$  such that  $\mu(x - y) < t < \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$ . Then  $x_t, y_t \in \mu$  and  $(x - y)_t \notin \mu$ . This is a contradiction to our assumption that  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ . Thus  $\mu(x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\}$ . Suppose that  $\mu(y + x - y) < \mu(x)$ , for some  $x, y \in R$ . Choose  $t \in (0, 1]$  such that  $\mu(y + x - y) < t < \mu(x)$ . Then  $x_t \in \mu$  and  $(y + x - y)_t \notin \mu$ , which is a contradiction and hence  $\mu(y + x - y) \geq \mu(x)$ . Let us assume that  $\mu(xy) < \mu(y)$ , for some  $x, y \in R$ . Then there exist  $t \in (0, 1]$  such that  $\mu(xy) < t < \mu(y)$ . This implies that  $y_t \in \mu$  but  $(xy)_t \notin \mu$ . This contradicts our hypothesis. Hence  $\mu(xy) \geq \mu(y)$ . Again the contrary assume that there exist  $x, y, z \in R$  such that  $\mu((x + z)y - xy) < \mu(z)$ . Let  $t \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $\mu((x + z)y - xy) < t < \mu(z)$ . Then  $z_t \in \mu$  but  $((x + z)y - xy)_t \notin \mu$ , which is a contradiction and so  $\mu((x + z)y - xy) \geq \mu(z)$ . Therefore  $\mu$  is a fuzzy ideal of  $R$ . □

**Theorem 3.12.** Every  $(\in, \in)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ .

*Proof.* The proof is straightforward. □

The converse of above theorem is not true in general as show in following example.

**Example 3.13** Let  $R = \{a, b, c, d\}$  be a set with two binary operations defined as follows:

+	a	b	c	d
a	a	b	c	d
b	b	a	d	c
c	c	d	b	a
d	d	c	a	b

·	a	b	c	d
a	a	a	a	a
b	a	a	a	a
c	a	a	a	a
d	a	b	c	d

Then  $(R, +, \cdot)$  is a near-ring. Define a fuzzy subset  $\mu : R \rightarrow [0, 1]$  of  $R$  as follows  $\mu(a) = 0.8, \mu(b) = 0.6$  and  $\mu(c) = 0.5 = \mu(d)$ . Then, clearly,  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ . But  $\mu$  is not an  $(\in, \in)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ , since  $b_{0.58} \in \mu$  but  $((c + b)d - cd)_{0.58} = (d)_{0.58} \notin \mu$ .

In the following theorem, we give a condition for an  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  to be an  $(\in, \in)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ .

**Theorem 3.14.** Let  $\mu$  be an  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  such that  $\mu(x) < 0.5$  for all  $x \in R$ . Then  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t, r \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $x_t, y_r \in \mu$ . Then  $\mu(x) \geq t, \mu(y) \geq r$ . Since  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy subgroup of  $R$ , then  $\mu(x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), 0.5\} \geq \min\{t, r, 0.5\} = \min\{t, r\}$  and so  $(x - y)_{\min\{t, r\}} \in \mu$ . Let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$ . Then  $x_t \in \mu$  and so  $\mu(x) \geq t$ . Thus  $\mu(y + x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), 0.5\} \geq t$ , since  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ . Hence  $(y + x - y)_t \in \mu$ . For  $x, y \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $y_t \in \mu$ . Then  $\mu(y) \geq t$ . Thus  $\mu(xy) \geq \min\{\mu(y), 0.5\} \geq t$ , since  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ . Therefore  $(xy)_t \in \mu$ . Similarly, we can prove that  $((x + z)y - xy)_t \in \mu$ . Therefore  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ . □

## 4 $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy subnear-ring and ideals

In this section, we discussed some characterizations of  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideals of near-rings.

In [28, 21], defines the following:

1.  $x_t q_k \mu$  if  $\mu(x) + t + k > 1$ .
2.  $x_t \in \vee q_k \mu$  if  $x_t \in \mu$  or  $x_t q_k \mu$ .
3.  $x_t \in \wedge q_k \mu$  if  $x_t \in \mu$  and  $x_t q_k \mu$ .
4.  $x_t \bar{\alpha} \mu$  if  $x_t \alpha \mu$  does not hold for  $\alpha \in \{q_k, \in \vee q_k, \in \wedge q_k\}$ , where  $k \in [0, 1)$ .

**Definition 4.1.**[14] A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of  $R$  is said to be an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy subnear-ring of  $R$  if for all  $x, y \in R$  and  $t, r \in (0, 1]$ :

- (1)  $x_t, y_r \in \mu$  implies  $(x + y)_{\min\{t, r\}} \in \vee q_k \mu$ ,
- (2)  $x_t \in \mu$  implies  $(-x)_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ ,
- (3)  $x_t, y_r \in \mu$  implies  $(xy)_{\min\{t, r\}} \in \vee q_k \mu$ .

**Theorem 4.2.**[14] A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of  $R$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy subnear-ring of  $R$  if and only if  $\mu(x - y), \mu(xy) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ .

**Definition 4.3**[14] A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of  $R$  is said to be an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  if for all  $x, y, z \in R$  and  $t, r \in (0, 1]$ :

- (1)  $x_t, y_r \in \mu$  implies  $(x - y)_{\min\{t, r\}} \in \vee q_k \mu$ ,
- (2)  $x_t \in \mu$  implies  $(y + x - y)_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ ,
- (3)  $y_t \in \mu$  and  $x \in R$  implies  $(xy)_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ ,
- (4)  $z_t \in \mu$  and  $x, y \in R$  implies  $((x + z)y - xy)_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ .

A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  which is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy left ideal of  $R$  if it satisfies (1),(2) and (3). A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  which is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy right ideal of  $R$  if it satisfies (1),(2) and (4).

**Theorem 4.4.**[14] A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of  $R$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  if and only if for all  $x, y, z \in R$  :

- (1)  $\mu(x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ ,
- (2)  $\mu(y + x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ ,
- (3)  $\mu(xy) \geq \min\{\mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ ,
- (4)  $\mu((x + z)y - xy) \geq \min\{\mu(z), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ .

**Theorem 4.5.** The support of any non-zero  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal(subnear-ring)  $\mu$  of  $R$  is an ideal of  $R$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\mu$  be an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ . Let  $x, y \in S_\mu$ . Then  $\mu(x) > 0$  and  $\mu(y) > 0$ . Since  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy subnear-ring of  $R$ , we have  $\mu(x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\} > 0$ . Let  $x \in S_\mu$  and  $y \in R$ . By Theorem 11, we have  $\mu(y + x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\} > 0$  and so  $y + x - y \in S_\mu$ . Let  $y \in S_\mu$  and  $x \in R$ . Now by theorem, we have  $\mu(xy) \geq \min\{\mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\} > 0$ , so  $xy \in S_\mu$ . Again let  $z \in S_\mu$  and  $x, y \in R$  be such that  $\mu(z) > 0$ . Since  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ , then  $\mu((x + z)y - xy) \geq \min\{\mu(z), \frac{1-k}{2}\} > 0$  and hence  $(x + z)y - xy \in S_\mu$ . Therefore  $S_\mu$  is an ideal of  $R$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.6.** Let  $I$  be an ideal(subnear-ring) of  $R$ . For every  $t \in (0, \frac{1-k}{2}]$ , there exists an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal(subnear-ring) of  $R$  such that  $\mu_t = I$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy subset in  $R$  defined by

$$\mu(x) = \begin{cases} t & \text{if } x \in I \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

for all  $x \in R$ , where  $t \in (0, \frac{1-k}{2}]$ . Obviously,  $\mu_t = I$ . Suppose that  $\mu(x-y) < \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ , for some  $x, y \in R$ . Then  $\mu(x-y) = 0$  and  $\min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\} = t$ , since  $|Im(\mu)| = 2$ . Hence  $\mu(x) = t = \mu(y)$  and so  $x, y \in I$ . Since  $I$  is an ideal of  $R$ , then we have  $x-y \in I$ , and so  $\mu(x-y) = t$ . This is a contradiction. Therefore  $\mu(x-y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . Let us suppose that  $\mu(y+x-y) < \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ , for some  $x, y \in R$ . It follows that  $\mu(y+x-y) = 0$  and  $\min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\} = t$ . Hence  $\mu(x) = t$  and so  $x \in I$ . Since  $I$  is an ideal of  $R$ , then  $y+x-y \in I$ . Thus  $\mu(y+x-y) = t$ , which is a contradiction and hence  $\mu(y+x-y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . If there exist  $x, y \in R$  such that  $\mu(xy) < \min\{\mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . Then  $\mu(xy) = 0$  and  $\min\{\mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\} = t$ . Thus  $\mu(y) = t$  and so  $y \in I$ . Since  $I$  is an ideal of  $R$ , then  $xy \in I$ . Thus  $\mu(xy) = t$ , which is a contradiction and hence  $\mu(xy) \geq \min\{\mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . Similarly, the same procedure we have  $\mu((x+z)y - xy) \geq \min\{\mu(z), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.7.** *If  $I$  is an ideal(subnear-ring) of  $R$ , then a fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of  $R$  such that*

$$\mu(x) = \begin{cases} \geq \frac{1-k}{2} & \text{if } x \in I \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

*is an  $(\alpha, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal(subnear-ring) of  $R$ , where  $\alpha \in \{\in, q, \in \vee q, q_k, \in \vee q_k\}$ .*

*Proof.* (a) Let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t, r \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $x_t \in \mu$  and  $y_r \in \mu$ . Then  $\mu(x) \geq t > 0$  and  $\mu(y) \geq r > 0$ . This implies that  $\mu(x) \geq \frac{1-k}{2}$  and  $\mu(y) \geq \frac{1-k}{2}$ . Thus  $x, y \in I$  and so  $x-y \in I$ , that is,  $\mu(x-y) \geq \frac{1-k}{2}$ . If  $\min\{t, r\} \leq \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(x-y) \geq \frac{1-k}{2} \geq \min\{t, r\}$ . Hence  $(x-y)_{\min\{t, r\}} \in \mu$ . If  $\min\{t, r\} > \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(x-y) + \min\{t, r\} + k > \frac{1-k}{2} + \frac{1-k}{2} + k = 1$  and so  $(x-y)_{\min\{t, r\}} q_k \mu$ . Therefore  $(x-y)_{\min\{t, r\}} \in \vee q_k \mu$ . Now let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $x_t \in \mu$ . Then  $\mu(x) \geq t$ , which implies  $x \in I$  and so  $(y+x-y) \in I$ . Consequently  $\mu(y+x-y) \geq \frac{1-k}{2}$ . If  $t \leq \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(y+x-y) \geq \frac{1-k}{2} \geq t$ . Hence  $(y+x-y)_t \in \mu$ . If  $t > \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(y+x-y) + t + k > \frac{1-k}{2} + \frac{1-k}{2} + k = 1$  and so  $(y+x-y)_t q_k \mu$ . Thus  $(y+x-y)_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ . Also let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $y_t \in \mu$ . Then  $\mu(y) \geq t$ . Thus  $y \in I$  and so  $xy \in I$ , that is  $\mu(xy) \geq \frac{1-k}{2}$ . If  $t \leq \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(xy) \geq \frac{1-k}{2} \geq t$ . Hence  $(xy)_t \in \mu$ . If  $t > \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(xy) + t + k > \frac{1-k}{2} + \frac{1-k}{2} + k = 1$  and so  $(xy)_t q_k \mu$ . This implies that  $(xy)_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ . Similarly, we can prove that  $((x+z)y - xy)_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ . Therefore  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ .

(b) Let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t, r \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $x_t q_k \mu$  and  $y_r q_k \mu$ . Then  $x, y \in I, \mu(x) + t > 1$  and  $\mu(y) + r > 1$ . Since  $x-y \in I$ , we have  $\mu(x-y) \geq \frac{1-k}{2}$ . If  $\min\{t, r\} \leq \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(x-y) \geq \frac{1-k}{2} \geq \min\{t, r\}$ . Hence  $(x-y)_{\min\{t, r\}} \in \mu$ . If  $\min\{t, r\} > \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(x-y) + \min\{t, r\} + k > \frac{1-k}{2} + \frac{1-k}{2} + k = 1$  and so  $(x-y)_{\min\{t, r\}} q_k \mu$ . Thus  $(x-y)_{\min\{t, r\}} \in \vee q_k \mu$ . Now let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $x_t q_k \mu$ . This means that  $\mu(x) + t > 1$ . Thus  $x \in I$  and so  $y+x-y \in I$ . This implies that  $\mu(y+x-y) \geq \frac{1-k}{2}$ . If  $t \leq \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(y+x-y) \geq \frac{1-k}{2} \geq t$ . Hence  $(y+x-y)_t \in \mu$ . If  $t > \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(y+x-y) + t + k > \frac{1-k}{2} + \frac{1-k}{2} + k = 1$  and so  $(y+x-y)_t q_k \mu$ . Thus  $(y+x-y)_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ . Similarly, we prove the same procedure  $(xy)_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ . Let  $x, y, z \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $z_t q_k \mu$ . Then  $\mu(z) + t > 1$  and it follows that  $z \in I$ . Then  $((x+z)y - xy) \in I$  and so  $\mu((x+z)y - xy) \geq \frac{1-k}{2}$ . If  $t \leq \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu((x+z)y - xy) \geq \frac{1-k}{2} \geq t$ . Hence  $((x+z)y - xy)_t \in \mu$ . If  $t > \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu((x+z)y - xy) + t + k > \frac{1-k}{2} + \frac{1-k}{2} + k = 1$  and so  $((x+z)y - xy)_t q_k \mu$ . Thus  $((x+z)y - xy)_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ . Hence  $(q, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ .

(c) Similar consequence of (a) and (b), we have to prove that  $(\in \vee q, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ .

(d) Let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t, r \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $x_t q_k \mu$  and  $y_r q_k \mu$ . Then  $x, y \in I, \mu(x) + t + k > 1$  and  $\mu(y) + r + k > 1$ . Since  $x-y \in I$ , we have  $\mu(x-y) \geq \frac{1-k}{2}$ . If  $\min\{t, r\} \leq \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(x-y) \geq \frac{1-k}{2} \geq \min\{t, r\}$ .



Hence  $(x - y)_{\min\{t,r\}} \in \mu$ . If  $\min\{t,r\} > \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(x - y) + \min\{t,r\} + k > \frac{1-k}{2} + \frac{1-k}{2} + k = 1$  and so  $(x - y)_{\min\{t,r\}} q_k \mu$ . Thus  $(x - y)_{\min\{t,r\}} \in \vee q_k \mu$ . Now let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $x_t q_k \mu$ . This means that  $\mu(x) + t + k > 1$ . Thus  $x \in I$  and so  $y + x - y \in I$ . This implies that  $\mu(y + x - y) \geq \frac{1-k}{2}$ . If  $t \leq \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(y + x - y) \geq \frac{1-k}{2} \geq t$ . Hence  $(y + x - y)_t \in \mu$ . If  $t > \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(y + x - y) + t + k > \frac{1-k}{2} + \frac{1-k}{2} + k = 1$  and so  $(y + x - y)_t q_k \mu$ . Thus  $(y + x - y)_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ . Similarly, we prove the same procedure  $(xy)_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ . Let  $x, y, z \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $z_t q_k \mu$ . Then  $\mu(z) + t + k > 1$ , and it follows that  $z \in I$ . Then  $((x + z)y - xy) \in I$  and so  $\mu((x + z)y - xy) \geq \frac{1-k}{2}$ . If  $t \leq \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu((x + z)y - xy) \geq \frac{1-k}{2} \geq t$ . Hence  $((x + z)y - xy)_t \in \mu$ . If  $t > \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu((x + z)y - xy) + t + k > \frac{1-k}{2} + \frac{1-k}{2} + k = 1$  and so  $((x + z)y - xy)_t q_k \mu$ . Thus  $((x + z)y - xy)_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ . Hence  $(q_k, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ .

(e) Similar consequence of (a) and (d), we have to prove that  $(\in \vee q_k, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.8.** Every  $(\in \vee q_k, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\mu$  be an  $(\in \vee q_k, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ . Suppose that  $x, y \in R$  and  $t, r \in (0, 1]$  such that  $x_t \in \mu$  and  $y_r \in \mu$ . Then  $x_t \in \vee q_k \mu$  and  $y_r \in \vee q_k \mu$ . By the hypothesis  $(x - y)_{\min\{t,r\}} \in \vee q_k \mu$ . Now  $x, y \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$  such that  $x_t \in \mu$ . Then  $x_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ , so by hypothesis  $(y + x - y)_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ . Similarly, we prove  $((x + z)y - xy)_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ ,  $(xy)_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ . Therefore  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.9.** Every  $(\in, \in)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ .

*Proof.* The proof is straightforward.  $\square$

In the following theorem, we give a condition for an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  to be an  $(\in, \in)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ .

**Theorem 4.10.** Let  $\mu$  be an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  such that  $\mu(x) < \frac{1-k}{2}$  for all  $x \in R$ . Then  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t, r \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $x_t, y_r \in \mu$ . Then  $\mu(x) \geq t, \mu(y) \geq r$ . Since  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ , then  $\mu(x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\} \geq \min\{t, r, \frac{1-k}{2}\} = \min\{t, r\}$  and so  $(x - y)_{\min\{t,r\}} \in \mu$ . Let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $x_t \in \mu$ . Then  $\mu(x) \geq t$ . Thus  $\mu(y + x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\} \geq t$ , since  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ . Hence  $(y + x - y)_t \in \mu$ . Let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $y_t \in \mu$ . Then  $\mu(y) \geq t$  and so  $\mu(xy) \geq \min\{\mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\} \geq t$ , since  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ . Thus  $(xy)_t \in \mu$ . Similarly, we can prove that  $((x + z)y - xy)_t \in \mu$ . Therefore  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ .  $\square$

**Definition 4.11** For any fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of  $R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$ , we consider two subsets:  $Q_k(\mu; t) = \{x \in R \mid x_t q_k \mu\}$  and  $[\mu_k]_t = \{x \in R \mid x_t \in \vee q_k \mu\}$ . Obviously,  $[\mu_k]_t = \mu_t \cup Q_k(\mu; t)$ .

We call  $[\mu_k]_t$  is  $(\in \vee q_k)$ -level ideal and  $Q_k(\mu; t)$  a  $q_k$ -level ideal of  $\mu$ .

**Theorem 4.12.** Every fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of  $R$  satisfies the following assertion  $t \in (0, \frac{1-k}{2}] \Rightarrow [\mu_k]_t = \mu_t$ .

*Proof.* Let  $t \in (0, \frac{1-k}{2}]$ . Clearly,  $\mu_t \subseteq [\mu_k]_t$ . Let  $x \in [\mu_k]_t$ . If  $x \notin \mu_t$ , then  $\mu(x) < 1$  and so  $\mu(x) + t + k \leq t + t + k = 2t + k \leq 1$ . This implies that  $x_t \bar{q}_k \mu$ , that is,  $x \notin Q_k(\mu; t)$ . Thus  $x \notin \mu_t \cup Q_k(\mu; t) = [\mu_k]_t$ . This leads to a contradiction and so  $x \in \mu_t$ . Thus  $[\mu_k]_t \subseteq \mu_t$ . Therefore  $[\mu_k]_t = \mu_t$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.13.** A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of  $R$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  if and only if  $[\mu_k]_t (\neq \emptyset)$  is an ideal of  $R$ .

*Proof.* Assume that  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  and let  $t \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $[\mu_k]_t (\neq \emptyset)$ . Let  $x, y \in [\mu_k]_t$  such that  $\mu(x) \geq t$  or  $\mu(x) + t + k > 1$  and  $\mu(y) \geq t$  or  $\mu(y) + t + k > 1$ . We can consider four cases:

- (i)  $\mu(x) \geq t$  and  $\mu(y) \geq t$ ,
- (ii)  $\mu(x) \geq t$  and  $\mu(y) + t + k > 1$ ,
- (iii)  $\mu(x) + t + k > 1$  and  $\mu(y) \geq t$ ,
- (iv)  $\mu(x) + t + k > 1$  and  $\mu(y) + t + k > 1$ .

Consider Case (i):  $\mu(x) \geq t$  and  $\mu(y) \geq t$ . This implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(x - y) &\geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\} \geq \min\{t, \frac{1-k}{2}\} \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{1-k}{2} & \text{if } t > \frac{1-k}{2} \\ t & \text{if } t \leq \frac{1-k}{2} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

If  $t > \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(x - y) \geq \frac{1-k}{2}$  and so  $\mu(x - y) + t + k > \frac{1-k}{2} + \frac{1-k}{2} + k = 1 - k$ , that is,  $(x - y)_t q_k \mu$ . If  $t \leq \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(x - y) \geq t$  and thus  $(x - y)_t \in \mu$ . Therefore,  $(x - y)_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ , that is,  $[\mu_k]_t$ .

Case(ii):  $\mu(x) \geq t$  and  $\mu(y) + t + k > 1$ . If  $t > \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\} \geq \min\{t, 1 - k - t, \frac{1-k}{2}\} = 1 - k - t$ , that is,  $\mu(x - y) + t + k > 1$  and thus  $(x - y)_t q_k \mu$ . If  $t \leq \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\} \geq \min\{t, 1 - k - t, \frac{1-k}{2}\} = t$ , that is,  $(x - y)_t \in \mu$  and thus  $(x - y)_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ . This means that  $x - y \in [\mu_k]_t$ . Similarly, we can prove the result for the case(iii). Next we consider the case(iv):  $\mu(x) + t + k > 1$  and  $\mu(y) + t + k > 1$ . If  $t > \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\} \geq \min\{1 - k - t, 1 - k - t, \frac{1-k}{2}\} = 1 - k - t$ . So,  $\mu(x - y) + t + k > 1$ , that is,  $(x - y)_t q_k \mu$ . If  $t \leq \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\} \geq \min\{1 - k - t, 1 - k - t, \frac{1-k}{2}\} = \frac{1-k}{2} \geq t$ , that is,  $(x - y)_t \in \mu$  and hence  $(x - y)_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ . This means that  $x - y \in [\mu_k]_t$ . Consequently,  $[\mu_k]_t$  is an additive subgroup of  $(R, +)$ . Let  $x \in [\mu_k]_t$  and  $y \in R$  such that  $\mu(x) \geq t$  and  $\mu(x) + t + k > 1$  and we consider two cases:

Case(i):  $\mu(x) \geq t$ . Since  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ , we have  $\mu(y + x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\} \geq \min\{t, \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . If  $t > \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(y + x - y) \geq \frac{1-k}{2}$  and so  $\mu(y + x - y) + t + k > \frac{1-k}{2} + \frac{1-k}{2} + k = 1 - k$ , that is,  $\mu(y + x - y) + t + k > 1$ . Thus  $(y + x - y)_t q_k \mu$ . If  $t \leq \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(y + x - y) \geq t$ . Hence  $(y + x - y)_t \in \mu$ .

Case(ii):  $\mu(x) + t + k > 1$ . Since  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ , we have  $\mu(y + x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\} > \min\{1 - k - t, \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . If  $t > \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(y + x - y) > 1 - k - t$ . Thus  $(y + x - y)_t q_k \mu$ . If  $t \leq \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(y + x - y) > \frac{1-k}{2} \geq t$ . Hence  $(y + x - y)_t \in \mu$ . This means that  $(y + x - y)_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ , that is,  $y + x - y \in [\mu_k]_t$  and therefore  $[\mu_k]_t$  is an ideal of  $R$ . Let  $y \in [\mu_k]_t$  and  $x \in R$  such that  $\mu(y) \geq t$  and  $\mu(y) + t + k > 1$ . We consider two cases:

Case(i):  $\mu(y) \geq t$ . Since  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  by Theorem, we have  $\mu(xy) \geq \min\{\mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\} \geq \min\{t, \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . If  $t > \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(xy) \geq \frac{1-k}{2}$  and thus  $\mu(xy) + t + k > \frac{1-k}{2} + \frac{1-k}{2} + k = 1 - k$ . So,  $\mu(xy) + t + k > 1$ . This means that  $(xy)_t q_k \mu$ . If  $t \leq \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(xy) \geq t$ . Hence  $(xy)_t \in \mu$ .

Case(ii):  $\mu(y) + t + k > 1$ . Since  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ , we have  $\mu(xy) \geq \min\{\mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\} > \min\{1 - k - t, \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . If  $t > \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(xy) > 1 - k - t$ . Thus  $(xy)_t q_k \mu$ . If  $t \leq \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(xy) > \frac{1-k}{2} \geq t$ . Hence  $(xy)_t \in \mu$ . This implies that  $(xy)_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ , that is,  $xy \in [\mu_k]_t$  and therefore  $[\mu_k]_t$  is a left ideal of  $R$ . Again let  $x, y \in R$  and  $z \in [\mu_k]_t$  for  $0 < t \leq 1$ . Then  $z_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ , that is,  $\mu(z) \geq t$  and  $\mu(z) + t + k > 1$ . Since  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ , then we have  $\mu((x + z)y - xy) \geq \min\{\mu(z), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . Similarly, we can prove that

$(x+z)y - xy \in [\mu_k]_t$  and  $[\mu_k]_t$  the right ideal of  $R$ . Therefore,  $[\mu_k]_t$  is an ideal of  $R$ .

Conversely, assume that  $\mu$  be a fuzzy subset in  $R$  and let  $t \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $[\mu_k]_t$  is an ideal of  $R$ . Suppose that  $\mu(x-y) < \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . Choose  $t$  such that  $\mu(x-y) < t < \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . Then  $t \in (0, \frac{1-k}{2}]$  and  $x, y \in \mu_t \subseteq [\mu_k]_t$ . Since  $[\mu_k]_t$  is an ideal of  $R$ , then  $x-y \in [\mu_k]_t$  and we have  $\mu(x-y) \geq t$  or  $\mu(x-y) + t+k > 1$ , which is a contradiction. Thus  $\mu(x-y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ . Now, let  $x, y \in R$  be such that  $\mu(y+x-y) < t < \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . Then  $t \in (0, \frac{1-k}{2}]$  and  $x \in \mu_t \subseteq [\mu_k]_t$ . Since  $[\mu_k]_t$  is an ideal of  $R$ , then  $y+x-y \in [\mu_k]_t$  and so  $\mu(y+x-y) \geq t$  or  $\mu(y+x-y) + t+k > 1$ . This is a contradiction to our assumption. Hence  $\mu(y+x-y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ . If there exist  $x, y \in R$  such that  $\mu(xy) < t < \min\{\mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . Then  $t \in (0, \frac{1-k}{2}]$  and  $y \in \mu_t \subseteq [\mu_k]_t$ . Thus  $xy \in [\mu_k]_t$ , since  $[\mu_k]_t$  is an ideal of  $R$  and so  $\mu(xy) \geq t$  or  $\mu(xy) + t+k > 1$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore  $\mu(xy) \geq \min\{\mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ . Thus  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy left ideal of  $R$ . Similarly we have to prove  $\mu((x+z)y - xy) \geq \min\{\mu(z), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$  and  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy right ideal of  $R$ . Therefore  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.14.** *If  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ , then the set  $Q_k(\mu; t) (\neq \emptyset)$  is an ideal of  $R$  for all  $t \in (0.5, 1]$ .*

*Proof.* Assume that  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  and let  $t \in (0.5, 1]$  be such that  $Q_k(\mu; t) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $x, y \in Q_k(\mu; t)$  be such that  $\mu(x) + t+k > 1$  and  $\mu(y) + t+k > 1$  and we have  $\mu(x-y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . If  $\min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\} \geq \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(x-y) \geq \frac{1-k}{2} > 1-k-t$ . If  $\min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\} < \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(x-y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\} > 1-k-t$ . This implies that  $x-y \in Q_k(\mu; t)$ . Now, let  $x \in Q_k(\mu; t)$  and  $y \in R$  be such that  $\mu(x) + t+k > 1$ . Since  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ , then we have  $\mu(y+x-y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . If  $\mu(x) \geq \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(y+x-y) \geq \frac{1-k}{2} > 1-k-t$ . If  $\mu(x) < \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(y+x-y) \geq \mu(x) > 1-k-t$ . Thus  $y+x-y \in Q_k(\mu; t)$ . Similarly,  $xy \in Q_k(\mu; t)$ . Again let  $x, y \in R$  and  $z \in Q_k(\mu; t)$  be such that  $\mu(z) + t+k > 1$ . Since  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$ , then we have  $\mu((x+z)y - xy) \geq \min\{\mu(z), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . If  $\mu(z) \geq \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu((x+z)y - xy) \geq \frac{1-k}{2} > 1-k-t$  and if  $\mu(z) < \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu((x+z)y - xy) \geq \mu(z) > 1-k-t$  and thus  $(x+z)y - xy \in Q_k(\mu; t)$ . Therefore  $Q_k(\mu; t)$  is an ideal of  $R$ .  $\square$

## 5 A new view of $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideals

Let  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  be any two fuzzy subset of  $R$ . We define a new relation  $\subseteq \vee q_k$  on  $F(R)$ , which is called the fuzzy inclusion or  $k$ -quasi-coincidence relation as follows.

For any  $\mu, \nu \in F(R)$ , by  $\mu \subseteq \vee q_k \nu$  we mean that  $x_t \in \mu$  implies  $x_t \in \vee q_k \nu$  for all  $x \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$  and  $\mu \supseteq \vee \bar{q}_k \nu$  we mean that  $x_t \in \bar{\mu}$  implies  $x_t \in \vee \bar{q}_k \nu$  for all  $x \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$ . Moreover,  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  are said to be  $(0, \frac{1-k}{2})$ -fuzzy equal, denoted by  $\mu \approx \nu$  if  $\mu \subseteq \vee q_k \nu$  and  $\nu \subseteq \vee q_k \mu$ . And  $\bar{\in} \vee \bar{q}_k$  means  $\in \vee q_k$  does not hold and  $\bar{\subseteq} \vee \bar{q}_k$  implies that  $\subseteq \vee q_k$  is not true.

**Proposition 5.1.** *For any two fuzzy subsets  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  of  $R$ ,*

- (i)  $\mu \subseteq \vee q_k \nu$  if and only if  $\nu(x) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ , for all  $x \in R$ ,
- (ii)  $\mu \supseteq \vee \bar{q}_k \nu$  if and only if  $\max\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\} \geq \nu(x)$ , for all  $x \in R$ .

*Proof.* (i) Let  $\mu \subseteq \vee q_k \nu$ . Suppose there exist  $x \in R$  such that  $\nu(x) < t < \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . Then  $x_t \in \mu$ , but

$x_t \in \overline{\vee q_k} \nu$ , a contradiction. Hence,  $\nu(x) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ .

Conversely, assume that  $\nu(x) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ , for all  $x \in R$ . If  $\mu \subseteq \overline{\vee q_k} \nu$ , then there exist  $x_t \in \mu$  with  $x_t \in \overline{\vee q_k} \nu$  and so  $\mu(x) \geq t, \nu(x) < t$  and  $\nu(x) < \frac{1-k}{2}$ , a contradiction.

(ii) Let  $\mu \supseteq \vee q_k \nu$ . If there exist  $x \in R$  such that  $\nu(x) > t > \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ , then  $x_t \in \nu$  with  $x_t \in \overline{\mu}$  and  $t > \frac{1-k}{2}$ . Hence,  $x_t \in \overline{\vee q_k} \nu$ , that is,  $x_t \overline{q_k} \nu$ , and so,  $\nu(x) + t + k \leq 1$ . This means that  $t \leq \frac{1-k}{2}$ , a contradiction.

Conversely, let  $\max\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\} \geq \nu(x)$ , for all  $x \in R$ . If  $\mu \subseteq \overline{\vee q_k} \nu$ , then there exist  $x_t \in \overline{\mu}$  but  $x_t \in \overline{\vee q_k} \nu$ . Thus  $\mu(x) < t, \nu(x) \geq t$  and  $\nu(x) + t + k > 1$ . If  $\mu(x) > \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\mu(x) \geq \nu(x)$ , a contradiction. If  $\mu(x) \leq \frac{1-k}{2}$ , then  $\frac{1-k}{2} \geq \nu(x)$ . Since  $\nu(x) \geq t$  and  $\frac{1-k}{2} \geq \nu(x) \geq t$ , then  $1 < \nu(x) + t + k \leq 2\nu(x)$ . So,  $\nu(x) > \frac{1-k}{2}$ , a contradiction.  $\square$

**Definition 5.2** A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of  $R$  is called a new  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy subnear-ring of  $R$  if it satisfies:

- (1)  $(\mu + \mu) \subseteq \vee q_k \mu$ ,
- (2)  $\mu^{-1} \subseteq \vee q_k \mu$ ,
- (3)  $(\mu \circ \mu) \subseteq \vee q_k \mu$ .

**Definition 5.3** A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of  $R$  is called a new  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  if it is a new  $(\in, \in \vee q_k)$ -fuzzy subnear-ring of  $R$  and if for all  $x, y \in R$ ,

- (4)  $(x + \mu - x) \subseteq \vee q_k \mu$ ,
- (5)  $(\mu \circ \chi_R) \subseteq \vee q_k \mu$ ,
- (6)  $(x \circ (y + \mu) - xy) \subseteq \vee q_k \mu$ .

**Lemma 5.4.** Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy subset of  $R$ . Then

1. (a)  $(\mu + \mu) \subseteq \vee q_k \mu$  and  
(b)  $\mu(x + y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ , for all  $x, y \in R$  are equivalent.
2. (c)  $\mu^{-1} \subseteq \vee q_k \mu$  and  
(d)  $\mu(-x) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ , for all  $x \in R$  are equivalent.
3. (e)  $(\mu \circ \mu) \subseteq \vee q_k \mu$  and  
(f)  $\mu(xy) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ , for all  $x, y \in R$  are equivalent.

*Proof.* (1) (a)  $\implies$  (b) : (b) is not valid. Suppose that there exist  $x, y \in R$  such that  $\mu(x + y) < t < \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ , then  $t \in \frac{1-k}{2}, x_t, y_t \in \mu$ , but  $(x + y)_t \in \overline{\vee q_k} \mu$ .

$$\begin{aligned} (\mu + \mu)(x + y) &= \sup_{x+y=a+b} \min\{\mu(a), \mu(b)\} \\ &\geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y)\} \geq t. \end{aligned}$$

So,  $(x + y)_t \in (\mu + \mu)$ . Hence,  $(x + y)_t \in \vee q_k \mu$ , a contradiction. Therefore,  $\mu(x + y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ .

(b)  $\implies$  (a) : Let  $x_t \in (\mu + \mu)$ . If possible, let  $\mu(x) < t$  and  $\mu(y) < \frac{1-k}{2}$ . If  $x = a + b$ , for some  $a, b \in R$ , then by hypothesis, (b), we have  $\frac{1-k}{2} > \mu(x) = \mu(a + b) \geq \min\{\mu(a), \mu(b), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . This implies that  $\mu(x) \geq \min\{\mu(a), \mu(b)\}$ . Hence, we have  $t \leq (\mu + \mu)(x) = \sup_{x=a+b} \min\{\mu(a), \mu(b)\} \leq \sup_{x=a+b} \mu(x)$ . So,  $\mu(x) \geq t$ , which contradicts. Therefore,  $(\mu + \mu) \subseteq \vee q_k \mu$ .

(2) (c)  $\implies$  (d): (d) is not valid. Suppose that  $\mu(-x) < \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ . Choose  $t$  such that  $\mu(-x) < t < \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . Then,  $x_t \in \mu$ ,  $t \in \frac{1-k}{2}$  and  $(-x)_t \in \overline{\nabla q_k \mu}$ . But  $\mu^{-1}(-x) = \mu(x) \geq t$ , so,  $(-x)_t \mu^{-1}$ , which means that  $(-x)_t \in \nabla q_k \mu$ , a contradiction. Thus,  $\mu(-x) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ .

(d)  $\implies$  (c): Let  $x_t \in \mu^{-1}$ , but  $x_t \in \overline{\nabla q_k \mu}$  be such that  $\mu(x) < t$  and  $\mu(x) < \frac{1-k}{2}$ . Then we have  $\mu(-x) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\} = \mu(x)$  and so  $\mu(-x) = \mu(x)$ . Thus  $t \leq \mu^{-1}(x) = \mu(-x) = \mu(x)$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore (d) is hold.

(3) (e)  $\iff$  (f). It follows from above (1). □

**Theorem 5.5.** A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of  $R$  is a new  $(\in, \in \nabla q_k)$ -fuzzy subnear-ring of  $R$  if and only if it satisfies  $\mu(x + y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ ,  $\mu(-x) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$  and  $\mu(xy) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \mu(y), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . □

The following corollary is a consequence of Lemma 5.4 and Theorem 5.5.

**Corollary 5.6.** The concept of new  $(\in, \in \nabla q_k)$ -fuzzy subnear-ring of  $R$  and  $(\in, \in \nabla q_k)$ -fuzzy subnear-ring of  $R$  are equivalent respectively. □

**Lemma 5.7.** Let  $\mu$  be a fuzzy subset of  $R$ . Then

1. (a)  $\mu$  is a new  $(\in, \in \nabla q_k)$ -fuzzy subnear-ring of  $R$  and  
(b)  $\mu$  is a new  $(\in, \in \nabla q_k)$ -fuzzy subnear-ring of  $R$  are equivalent.
2. (c)  $y + \mu - y \subseteq \nabla q_k \mu$ , for all  $y \in R$  and  
(d)  $\mu(y + x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ , for all  $x, y \in R$  are equivalent.
3. (e)  $f_R \circ \mu \subseteq \nabla q_k \mu$  and  
(f)  $\mu(xy) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ , for all  $x, y \in R$  are equivalent.
4. (g)  $(x \circ (y + \mu) - xy) \subseteq \nabla q_k \mu$ , for all  $x, y \in R$  and  
(h)  $\mu(x(y + z) - xy) \geq \min\{\mu(z), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ , for all  $x, y, z \in R$  are equivalent.

*Proof.* (1) (a)  $\iff$  (b). It follows from above Lemma.

(2) (c)  $\implies$  (d): Suppose that  $\mu(y + x - y) < \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ . Choose  $t$  such that  $\mu(y + x - y) < t < \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . Then  $t \in \frac{1-k}{2}$ ,  $x_t \in \mu$  and  $(y + x - y)_t \in \overline{\nabla q_k \mu}$ . Since  $(y + \mu - y)(y + x - y) = \sup_{y+x-y=y+x'-y} \mu(x') \geq \mu(x) \geq t$ , we have  $(y + x - y) \in (y + \mu - y)$ . So,  $(y + x - y)_t \in \nabla q_k \mu$ , a contradiction. Thus  $\mu(y + x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ .

(d)  $\implies$  (c): Let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$ . Then  $x_t \in (y + \mu - y)$ , but  $x_t \in \overline{\nabla q_k \mu}$  and so  $\mu(x) < t$  and  $\mu(x) < \frac{1-k}{2}$ .  $(y + \mu - y)(x) = \sup_{x=y+x'-y} \mu(x')$ . Since  $\frac{1-k}{2} > \mu(x) = \mu(y + x' - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x'), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ , which implies that  $\mu(x) \geq \mu(x')$ . Hence,  
 $t \leq (y + \mu - y)(x) \leq \sup_{y+x'-y} \mu(x) = \mu(x)$ . So,  $\mu(x) \geq t$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore  $x_t \in \nabla q_k \mu$  and hence  $(y + \mu - y) \subseteq \nabla q_k \mu$ .

(3) (e)  $\implies$  (f): Suppose that  $\mu(xy) < \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ , for all  $x, y \in R$ . Then there exist  $t$  such that  $\mu(xy) < t < \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . So,  $t \in \frac{1-k}{2}$ ,  $x_t \in \mu$  and  $(xy)_t \in \overline{\nabla q_k \mu}$ .  $(f_R \circ \mu)(xy) = \sup_{xy=x'y} \mu(x') \geq \mu(x) \geq t$ . This implies that  $(xy) \in (f_R \circ \mu)$ , that is,  $(xy)_t \in \nabla q_k \mu$ , a contradiction. Therefore  $\mu(xy) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ .

(f)  $\implies$  (e): Let  $x, y \in R$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$  be such that  $x_t \in (f_R \circ \mu)$ , but  $x_t \notin \overline{\forall q_k \mu}$ . Then  $\mu(x) < t$  and  $\mu(x) < \frac{1-k}{2}$ . By definition,  $(f_R \circ \mu)(x) = \sup_{x=x'y} \mu(x')$ . Thus  $\mu(x) \geq \mu(x')$ , because  $\frac{1-k}{2} > \mu(x) = \mu(x'y) \geq \min\{\mu(x'), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ . So,  $t \leq (f_R \circ \mu)(x) \leq \sup_{x=x'y} \mu(x) = \mu(x)$ , that is,  $\mu(x) \geq t$ . This leads to a contradiction. Therefore  $(f_R \circ \mu) \subseteq \forall q_k \mu$ .  
 (4)(g)  $\iff$  (h). It follows from (2) and (3).  $\square$

**Theorem 5.8.** A fuzzy subset  $\mu$  of  $R$  is a new  $(\in, \in \forall q_k)$ -fuzzy ideal of  $R$  if and only if it satisfies

1.  $\mu$  is an  $(\in, \in \forall q_k)$  fuzzy subnear-ring of  $R$ ,
2.  $\mu(y + x - y) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ ,
3.  $\mu(xy) \geq \min\{\mu(x), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ ,
4.  $\mu(x(y + z)xy) \geq \min\{\mu(z), \frac{1-k}{2}\}$ ,

$\square$

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