

# Quasi-Boolean Algebras: a Generalization of Boolean Algebras

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**Abstract**—In the present paper, we introduce the notion of quasi-Boolean algebras as a generalization of Boolean algebras. First we discuss some properties of quasi-Boolean algebras. Next we define ideals and filters of quasi-Boolean algebras and investigate the related properties. We also show that there is a one-to-one correspondence between the set of ideals and the set of ideal congruences on a quasi-Boolean algebra. Finally, we present the relationship between quasi-Boolean algebras and Boolean quasi-rings.

**Index Terms**—Boolean algebras, quasi-lattices, quasi-Boolean algebras, ideals, Boolean quasi-rings

## I. INTRODUCTION

RECENTLY, quantum computational logics have been received more and more attentions. Many authors considered that these logics were closely related with fuzzy logics [8]. In order to study these new forms of non-classical logics, some logical algebras had been introduced and the known results showed that these algebras were generalizations of well-known algebras associated with fuzzy logics [3], [6]. For example, Ledda et al. introduced quasi-MV algebras and pointed out that quasi-MV algebras were generalization of MV-algebras [12]. Chen and Wang defined quasi-BL algebras and showed that quasi-BL algebras generalized BL-algebras [7].

In [10], quasi-Boolean algebras were introduced by Iorgulescu in order to generalize the relationship between MV-algebras and lattice ordered groups. It was proved that any quasi-Wajsberg algebra defined in [1] is a quasi-Boolean algebra. Since quasi-MV algebras are equivalent to quasi-Wajsberg algebras, it is natural to obtain that any quasi-MV algebra is a quasi-Boolean algebra. Compared the relationship between Boolean algebras and MV-algebras and considered the important role of Boolean algebras in fuzzy logics, we wish to find a more suitable way to define quasi-Boolean algebras which generalize Boolean algebras in the setting of quantum computational logics.

In 1993, Chajda introduced  $q$ -lattices and presented some elementary results of a  $q$ -lattice [4]. Subsequently, an algebra of quasiordered logic based on a  $q$ -lattice was defined in [5]. The concepts of algebra of quasiordered logic as a generalization of Boolean algebra is similar to the case of quasi-MV algebras generalizing MV-algebras. However, in the algebra of quasiordered logic, the unary operation is defined by its binary operation and it does not satisfy the

involution. Hence we want to redefine the quasi-Boolean algebras based on  $q$ -lattices. In addition, ideals and filters play an important role in studying the algebraic structures [9], [11], [13], [14]. These notions are dual in a Boolean algebra [2], so in this paper, we also want to study ideals and filters in a quasi-Boolean algebra. The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we recall some definitions and results of  $q$ -lattices. In Section 3, we introduce the notion of quasi-Boolean algebras. We also define ideals and filters of quasi-Boolean algebras and investigate the related properties. In Section 4, we present the relationship between quasi-Boolean algebras and Boolean quasi-rings.

## II. PRELIMINARY

In this section, we recall some definitions and results in [4], [5].

Recall that an algebra  $(\Xi; \sqcup, \sqcap)$  of type  $(2, 2)$  is called a  $q$ -lattice, if it satisfies the following conditions for any  $\varpi, \varrho, \varsigma \in \Xi$ ,

- (QL1)  $\varpi \sqcup \varrho = \varrho \sqcup \varpi$  and  $\varpi \sqcap \varrho = \varrho \sqcap \varpi$ ;
- (QL2)  $\varpi \sqcup (\varrho \sqcup \varsigma) = (\varpi \sqcup \varrho) \sqcup \varsigma$  and  $\varpi \sqcap (\varrho \sqcap \varsigma) = (\varpi \sqcap \varrho) \sqcap \varsigma$ ;
- (QL3)  $\varpi \sqcup (\varrho \sqcap \varpi) = \varpi \sqcup \varrho$  and  $\varpi \sqcap (\varrho \sqcup \varpi) = \varpi \sqcap \varrho$ ;
- (QL4)  $\varpi \sqcup \varrho = \varpi \sqcup (\varrho \sqcup \varrho)$  and  $\varpi \sqcap \varrho = \varpi \sqcap (\varrho \sqcap \varrho)$ ;
- (QL5)  $\varpi \sqcup \varpi = \varpi \sqcap \varpi$ .

On any  $q$ -lattice  $(\Xi; \sqcup, \sqcap)$ , one can define  $\varpi \preceq \varrho$  by  $\varpi \sqcap \varrho = \varpi \sqcap \varpi$ , or  $\varpi \sqcup \varrho = \varrho \sqcup \varrho$ . Then the relation  $\preceq$  is *quasi-ordering*. A  $q$ -lattice  $(\Xi; \sqcup, \sqcap)$  is called *distributive*, if it satisfies (D1)  $\varpi \sqcup (\varrho \sqcap \varsigma) = (\varpi \sqcup \varrho) \sqcap (\varpi \sqcup \varsigma)$  and (D2)  $\varpi \sqcap (\varrho \sqcup \varsigma) = (\varpi \sqcap \varrho) \sqcup (\varpi \sqcap \varsigma)$ . Similarly to lattices, we can show that a  $q$ -lattice satisfies (D1) if and only if it satisfies (D2). A *bounded*  $q$ -lattice  $(\Xi; \sqcup, \sqcap)$  means that there exist elements 0 and 1 in  $\Xi$  such that  $\varpi \sqcap 0 = 0$  and  $\varpi \sqcup 1 = 1$  for any  $\varpi \in \Xi$ . Let  $(\Xi; \sqcup, \sqcap)$  be a bounded  $q$ -lattice and  $\varpi \in \Xi$ . An element  $\varrho \in \Xi$  is called a *complement* of  $\varpi$ , if  $\varpi \sqcap \varrho = 0$  and  $\varpi \sqcup \varrho = 1$ . For any  $\varpi \in \Xi$ , if it has a complement, then  $(\Xi; \sqcup, \sqcap)$  is called a *complemented*  $q$ -lattice.

Let  $(\Xi; \sqcup, \sqcap)$  be a complemented distributive  $q$ -lattice. Define a unary operation  $*$  on  $(\Xi; \sqcup, \sqcap)$  by  $\varpi \mapsto \varpi^*$  with  $\varpi^* = \varrho \sqcup \varrho$ , where  $\varrho$  is a complement of  $\varpi$ .

**Lemma 1:** [5] Let  $(\Xi; \sqcup, \sqcap)$  be a complemented distributive  $q$ -lattice and  $\varpi \in \Xi$ . Then  $\varpi^*$  is a complement of  $\varpi$ .

**Proposition 1:** [5] Let  $(\Xi; \sqcup, \sqcap)$  be a complemented distributive  $q$ -lattice. Then for any  $\varpi, \varrho \in \Xi$ , we have

- (1) if  $\varpi \sqcup \varrho = 1$  and  $\varpi \sqcap \varrho = 0$ , then  $(\varpi \sqcap \varpi)^* = \varrho \sqcap \varrho$ ;
- (2)  $(\varpi \sqcap \varrho)^* = \varpi^* \sqcup \varrho^*$  and  $(\varpi \sqcup \varrho)^* = \varpi^* \sqcap \varrho^*$ ;
- (3) if  $\varpi \preceq \varrho$ , then  $\varrho^* \preceq \varpi^*$ .

An algebra  $(\Xi; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  is called an *algebra of quasiordered logic*, if its reduct  $(\Xi; \sqcup, \sqcap)$  is a complemented distributive  $q$ -lattice, 0 and 1 are a zero and a unit of  $(\Xi; \sqcup, \sqcap)$ , respectively, and  $*$  is a unary operation defined as above.

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## III. QUASI-BOOLEAN ALGEBRA AND IDEALS

In this section, we give the definition of quasi-Boolean algebras and discuss some basic properties of quasi-Boolean algebras. We also investigate the properties of ideals and filters in a quasi-Boolean algebra.

*Definition 1:* An algebra  $\Omega = (\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  of type  $(2, 2, 1, 0, 0)$  is called a *generalized quasi-Boolean algebra*, if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (1)  $(\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap)$  is a distributive  $q$ -lattice;
- (2)  $\varpi \sqcap 0 = 0$  and  $\varpi \sqcup 1 = 1$ ;
- (3)  $\varpi \sqcap \varpi^* = 0$  and  $\varpi \sqcup \varpi^* = 1$ ;
- (4)  $(\varpi \sqcap \varpi)^* = \varpi^* \sqcup \varpi^*$ .

A generalized quasi-Boolean algebra  $\Omega = (\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  with the condition (5)  $\varpi^{**} = \varpi$  is called a *quasi-Boolean algebra*.

Following from the definition, a generalized quasi-Boolean algebra is a complemented distributive  $q$ -lattice with the unary operation satisfying  $(\varpi \sqcap \varpi)^* = \varpi^* \sqcup \varpi^*$ , while a quasi-Boolean algebra is a generalized quasi-Boolean algebra satisfying the unary operation with involution.

*Remark 1:* It is easy to see that an algebra of quasiordered logic  $(\Xi; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  is a generalized quasi-Boolean algebra, since  $\varpi^* \sqcup \varpi^* = (\varpi \sqcap \varpi)^*$  for  $\varpi \in \Xi$ . Moreover, an algebra of quasiordered logic  $(\Xi; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  with  $\varpi^{**} = \varpi$  is a quasi-Boolean algebra.

*Remark 2:* In any quasi-Boolean algebra  $\Omega = (\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$ , its reduct  $(\Omega; \sqcup, *, 0)$  or  $(\Omega; \sqcap, *, 1)$  is a quasi-MV algebra.

*Proposition 2:* Let  $\Omega = (\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  be a quasi-Boolean algebra. Then for any  $\varpi, \rho, \kappa, \iota \in \Omega$ , we have

- (1)  $\varpi \preceq \varpi \sqcup \rho$  and  $\varpi \sqcap \rho \preceq \varpi$ ;
- (2) if  $\varpi \preceq \rho$  and  $\kappa \preceq \iota$ , then  $\varpi \sqcap \kappa \preceq \rho \sqcap \iota$  and  $\varpi \sqcup \kappa \preceq \rho \sqcup \iota$ ;
- (3)  $(\varpi \sqcup \rho)^* = \varpi^* \sqcap \rho^*$  and  $(\varpi \sqcap \rho)^* = \varpi^* \sqcup \rho^*$ ;
- (4) if  $\varpi \preceq \rho$ , then  $\rho^* \preceq \varpi^*$ .

*Definition 2:* An algebra  $(\Xi; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  of type  $(2, 2, 1, 0, 0)$  is called a *quasi-De Morgan algebra*, if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (1)  $(\Xi; \sqcup, \sqcap)$  is a distributive  $q$ -lattice;
- (2)  $(\varpi \sqcap \rho)^* = \varpi^* \sqcup \rho^*$  and  $(\varpi \sqcup \rho)^* = \varpi^* \sqcap \rho^*$ ;
- (3)  $\varpi^{**} = \varpi$ .

Hence any quasi-Boolean algebra is a quasi-De Morgan algebra.

Below we see the relationship between quasi-Boolean algebras and Boolean algebras. Obviously, any Boolean algebra is a quasi-Boolean algebra. However, a quasi-Boolean algebra is not a Boolean algebra in general. It is easy to show the following result.

*Proposition 3:* Let  $\Omega = (\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  be a quasi-Boolean algebra. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (1)  $(\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  is a Boolean algebra;
- (2)  $(\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap)$  is a lattice;
- (3) the induced quasiorder  $\preceq$  is a partial order.

Let  $\Omega = (\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  be a quasi-Boolean algebra. Denote  $\mathcal{R}(\Omega) = \{\varpi \in \Omega \mid \varpi \sqcap \varpi = \varpi\}$ . Obviously,  $0, 1 \in \mathcal{R}(\Omega)$  and then  $\mathcal{R}(\Omega)$  is a non-empty subset of  $\Omega$ , so  $(\mathcal{R}(\Omega); \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  is a Boolean algebra.

*Definition 3:* Let  $\Omega = (\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  be a quasi-Boolean algebra. A subset  $\Sigma$  of  $\Omega$  is called an *ideal* of  $\Omega$ , if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (1)  $0 \in \Sigma$ ;
- (2) if  $\varpi, \rho \in \Sigma$ , then  $\varpi \sqcup \rho \in \Sigma$ ;
- (3) if  $\varpi \in \Sigma$  and  $\rho \preceq \varpi$ , then  $\rho \in \Sigma$ .

A subset  $\Phi$  of  $\Omega$  is called a *filter* of  $\Omega$ , if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (1)  $1 \in \Phi$ ;
- (2) if  $\varpi, \rho \in \Phi$ , then  $\varpi \sqcap \rho \in \Phi$ ;
- (3) if  $\varpi \in \Phi$  and  $\varpi \preceq \rho$ , then  $\rho \in \Phi$ .

*Definition 4:* Let  $\Omega = (\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  be a quasi-Boolean algebra. A subset  $\Sigma$  of  $\Omega$  is called a *weak ideal* of  $\Omega$ , if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (1)  $0 \in \Sigma$ ;
- (2) if  $\varpi, \rho \in \Sigma$ , then  $\varpi \sqcup \rho \in \Sigma$ ;
- (3) if  $\varpi \in \Sigma$  and  $\rho \preceq \varpi$ , then  $\rho \sqcap \rho \in \Sigma$ .

A subset  $\Phi$  of  $\Omega$  is called a *weak filter* of  $\Omega$ , if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (1)  $1 \in \Phi$ ;
- (2) if  $\varpi, \rho \in \Phi$ , then  $\varpi \sqcap \rho \in \Phi$ ;
- (3) if  $\varpi \in \Phi$  and  $\varpi \preceq \rho$ , then  $\rho \sqcup \rho \in \Phi$ .

*Proposition 4:* Let  $\Omega = (\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  be a quasi-Boolean algebra. Then any ideal (filter) is a weak ideal (weak filter).

*Proposition 5:* Let  $\Omega = (\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  be a quasi-Boolean algebra. Then the set of ideals (filters) of a quasi-Boolean algebra is closed under arbitrary intersection.

Let  $\Omega = (\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  be a quasi-Boolean algebra and  $\Gamma$  be a non-empty subset of  $\Omega$ . The *ideal generated* by  $\Gamma$  is the least ideal containing  $\Gamma$  and is denoted by  $[\Gamma]$ . Dually, the *filter generated* by  $\Gamma$  is the least filter containing  $\Gamma$  and is denoted by  $[\Gamma]$ .

*Lemma 2:* Let  $\Omega = (\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  be a quasi-Boolean algebra and  $\Gamma$  be a non-empty subset of  $\Omega$ . Then

- (1)  $[\Gamma] = \{\varpi \in \Omega \mid \varpi \preceq \varpi_1 \sqcup \varpi_2 \sqcup \dots \sqcup \varpi_n, \text{ for some } \varpi_1, \varpi_2, \dots, \varpi_n \in \Gamma\}$ ;
- (2)  $[\Gamma] = \{\varpi \in \Omega \mid \varpi_1 \sqcap \varpi_2 \sqcap \dots \sqcap \varpi_n \preceq \varpi, \text{ for some } \varpi_1, \varpi_2, \dots, \varpi_n \in \Gamma\}$ .

*Proposition 6:* Let  $\Omega = (\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  be a quasi-Boolean algebra. Then

- (1) For any  $\Sigma \subseteq \Omega$ ,  $\Sigma$  is a (weak) ideal if and only if  $\Sigma^*$  is a (weak) filter;
- (2) For any  $\Phi \subseteq \Omega$ ,  $\Phi$  is a (weak) filter if and only if  $\Phi^*$  is a (weak) ideal.

*Proof:* Let  $\Sigma$  be an ideal of  $\Omega$ . Then  $0 \in \Sigma$  and then  $1 = 0^* \in \Sigma^*$ . If  $\varpi, \rho \in \Sigma^*$ , then  $\varpi, \rho \in \Sigma$  and we have  $\varpi \sqcup \rho \in \Sigma$ , it turns out that  $\varpi^* \sqcap \rho^* = (\varpi \sqcup \rho)^* \in \Sigma^*$  by Proposition 2. Let  $\varpi^* \in \Sigma^*$  and  $\rho \in \Omega$  with  $\varpi^* \preceq \rho$ . Then  $\rho^* \preceq \varpi^{**} = \varpi$ . Since  $\Sigma$  is an ideal of  $\Omega$ , we have  $\rho^* \in \Sigma$ , so  $\rho = \rho^{**} \in \Sigma^*$ . Hence  $\Sigma^*$  is a filter of  $\Omega$ . Conversely, if  $\Sigma^*$  is a filter of  $\Omega$ , then  $1 \in \Sigma^*$  and then  $0 = 1^* \in \Sigma^{**} = \Sigma$ . If  $\varpi, \rho \in \Sigma$ , then  $\varpi^*, \rho^* \in \Sigma^*$  and then  $\varpi \sqcup \rho = (\varpi^* \sqcap \rho^*)^*$ . Since  $\Sigma^*$  is a filter of  $\Omega$ , we have  $\varpi^* \sqcap \rho^* \in \Sigma^*$ , so  $\varpi \sqcup \rho = (\varpi^* \sqcap \rho^*)^* \in \Sigma^{**} = \Sigma$ . Let  $\varpi \in \Sigma$  and  $\rho \in \Omega$  with  $\rho \preceq \varpi$ . Then  $\varpi^* \preceq \rho^*$ , it follows that  $\varpi^* \in \Sigma^*$  and then  $\rho^* \in \Sigma^*$ , so  $\rho = \rho^{**} \in \Sigma^{**} = \Sigma$ . Hence  $\Sigma$  is an ideal of  $\Omega$ . The rest can be proved similarly or dually. ■

Since ideals and filters are dual in a quasi-Boolean algebra, we only discuss the properties of ideals in the following.

Let  $\Omega = (\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  be a quasi-Boolean algebra and  $\vartheta$  be a binary relation on  $\Omega$ . Then  $\vartheta$  is called an *ideal*

congruence, if  $\vartheta$  is a congruence on  $\Omega$  and  $\langle \varpi \sqcap \varpi, \varrho \sqcap \varrho \rangle \in \vartheta$  implies  $\langle \varpi, \varrho \rangle \in \vartheta$  for any  $\varpi, \varrho \in \Omega$ .

**Lemma 3:** Let  $\Omega = (\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  be a quasi-Boolean algebra and  $\vartheta$  be an ideal congruence on  $\Omega$ . Then the set  $0/\vartheta = \{\varpi \in \Omega \mid \langle \varpi, 0 \rangle \in \vartheta\}$  is an ideal of  $\Omega$ .

*Proof:* Since  $\langle 0, 0 \rangle \in \vartheta$ , we have  $0 \in 0/\vartheta$ . If  $\varpi, \varrho \in 0/\vartheta$ , then  $\langle \varpi, 0 \rangle \in \vartheta$  and  $\langle \varrho, 0 \rangle \in \vartheta$ , it turns out that  $\langle \varpi \sqcup \varrho, 0 \rangle = \langle \varpi \sqcup \varrho, 0 \sqcup 0 \rangle \in \vartheta$ , so  $\varpi \sqcup \varrho \in 0/\vartheta$ . Let  $\varpi \in 0/\vartheta$  and  $\varrho \in \Omega$  with  $\varrho \preceq \varpi$ . Then  $\langle \varpi, 0 \rangle \in \vartheta$  and then  $\langle \varpi \sqcap \varrho, 0 \sqcap \varrho \rangle \in \vartheta$ , it follows that  $\langle \varrho \sqcap \varrho, 0 \sqcap \varrho \rangle \in \vartheta$ . Note that  $\vartheta$  is an ideal congruence on  $\Omega$ , we have  $\langle \varrho, 0 \rangle \in \vartheta$ , so  $\varrho \in 0/\vartheta$ . Hence the set  $0/\vartheta$  is an ideal of  $\Omega$ . ■

**Lemma 4:** Let  $\Omega = (\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  be a quasi-Boolean algebra and  $\Sigma$  be an ideal of  $\Omega$ . Then the binary relation  $\vartheta$  defined by  $\langle \varpi, \varrho \rangle \in \vartheta$  if and only if  $(\varpi \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varrho) \in \Sigma$  is an ideal congruence on  $\Omega$ .

*Proof:* For any  $\varpi \in \Omega$ , since  $(\varpi \sqcap \varpi^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varpi) = 0 \in \Sigma$ , we have  $\langle \varpi, \varpi \rangle \in \vartheta$ . If  $\langle \varpi, \varrho \rangle \in \vartheta$ , then  $(\varpi \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varrho) \in \Sigma$ , so  $\langle \varrho, \varpi \rangle = (\varrho \sqcap \varpi^*) \sqcup (\varrho^* \sqcap \varpi) = (\varpi \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varrho) \in \Sigma$ . Let  $\langle \varpi, \varrho \rangle \in \vartheta$  and  $\langle \varrho, \varsigma \rangle \in \vartheta$ . Then  $(\varpi \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varrho) \in \Sigma$  and  $(\varrho \sqcap \varsigma^*) \sqcup (\varrho^* \sqcap \varsigma) \in \Sigma$ . Since  $\Sigma$  is an ideal of  $\Omega$ , we have  $((\varpi \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varrho)) \sqcup ((\varrho \sqcap \varsigma^*) \sqcup (\varrho^* \sqcap \varsigma)) \in \Sigma$ . We calculate  $(\varpi \sqcap \varsigma^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varsigma) = (\varpi \sqcap \varsigma^* \sqcap (\varrho \sqcup \varrho^*)) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varsigma \sqcap (\varrho \sqcup \varrho^*)) = (\varpi \sqcap \varsigma^* \sqcap \varrho) \sqcup (\varpi \sqcap \varsigma^* \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varsigma \sqcap \varrho) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varsigma \sqcap \varrho^*) \preceq (\varsigma^* \sqcap \varrho) \sqcup (\varpi \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varrho) \sqcup (\varsigma \sqcap \varrho^*) = ((\varpi \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varrho)) \sqcup ((\varrho \sqcap \varsigma^*) \sqcup (\varrho^* \sqcap \varsigma))$  by Proposition 2, so  $(\varpi \sqcap \varsigma^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varsigma) \in \Sigma$  and then  $\langle \varpi, \varsigma \rangle \in \vartheta$ . Hence the binary relation  $\vartheta$  is an equivalent relation on  $\Omega$ . It is easy to see that if  $\langle \varpi, \varrho \rangle \in \vartheta$ , then  $\langle \varpi^*, \varrho^* \rangle \in \vartheta$ . For any  $\langle \varpi, \varrho \rangle \in \vartheta$  and  $\langle \kappa, \iota \rangle \in \vartheta$ , then  $(\varpi \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varrho) \in \Sigma$  and  $(\kappa \sqcap \iota^*) \sqcup (\kappa^* \sqcap \iota) \in \Sigma$ . Since  $((\varpi \sqcup \kappa) \sqcap (\varrho \sqcup \iota)^*) \sqcup ((\varpi \sqcup \kappa)^* \sqcap (\varrho \sqcup \iota)) = ((\varpi \sqcup \kappa) \sqcap (\varrho^* \sqcap \iota^*)) \sqcup ((\varpi^* \sqcap \kappa^*) \sqcap (\varrho \sqcup \iota)) = (\varpi \sqcap \varrho^* \sqcap \iota^*) \sqcup (\kappa \sqcap \varrho^* \sqcap \iota^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \kappa^* \sqcap \varrho) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \kappa^* \sqcap \iota) \preceq ((\varpi \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varrho)) \sqcup ((\kappa \sqcap \iota^*) \sqcup (\kappa^* \sqcap \iota))$ , it follows that  $((\varpi \sqcup \kappa) \sqcap (\varrho \sqcup \iota)^*) \sqcup ((\varpi \sqcup \kappa)^* \sqcap (\varrho \sqcup \iota)) \in \Sigma$ , so  $\langle \varpi \sqcup \kappa, \varrho \sqcup \iota \rangle \in \vartheta$ . Similarly, we can prove  $\langle \varpi \sqcap \kappa, \varrho \sqcap \iota \rangle \in \vartheta$ . Hence the equivalent relation  $\vartheta$  is a congruence on  $\Omega$ . Finally, if  $\langle \varpi \sqcap \varpi, \varrho \sqcap \varrho \rangle \in \vartheta$ , then  $((\varpi \sqcap \varpi) \sqcap (\varrho \sqcap \varrho)^*) \sqcup ((\varpi \sqcap \varpi)^* \sqcap (\varrho \sqcap \varrho)) \in \Sigma$ , it follows that  $(\varpi \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varrho) \in \Sigma$ , so  $\langle \varpi, \varrho \rangle \in \vartheta$ . Hence the relation  $\vartheta$  is an ideal congruence on  $\Omega$ . ■

**Theorem 1:** Let  $\Omega = (\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  be a quasi-Boolean algebra. Then there exists a one-to-one correspondence between the set of ideals and the set of ideal congruences on  $\Omega$ .

*Proof:* Let  $\Sigma$  be an ideal of  $\Omega$ . Then  $\vartheta_\Sigma$  defined in Lemma 4 is an ideal congruence on  $\Omega$ . Moreover, since  $\varpi \preceq \varpi \sqcup \varpi = \varpi \sqcap \varpi \preceq \varpi$ , we have  $\Sigma_{\vartheta_\Sigma} = \{\varpi \in \Omega \mid \langle \varpi, 0 \rangle \in \vartheta_\Sigma\} = \{\varpi \in \Omega \mid \varpi \sqcap \varpi \in \Sigma\} = \Sigma$ . Conversely, let  $\vartheta$  be an ideal congruence on  $\Omega$ . Then  $\Sigma_\vartheta = 0/\vartheta$  defined in Lemma 3 is an ideal of  $\Omega$ . Moreover,  $\vartheta_{\Sigma_\vartheta} = \{\langle \varpi, \varrho \rangle \mid (\varpi \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varrho) \in \Sigma_\vartheta\} = \{\langle \varpi, \varrho \rangle \mid ((\varpi \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varrho), 0) \in \vartheta\} = \vartheta$ . Indeed, for any  $\langle \varpi, \varrho \rangle \in \vartheta$ , we have  $\langle \varpi \sqcap \varrho^*, 0 \rangle = \langle \varpi \sqcap \varrho^*, \varrho \sqcap \varrho^* \rangle \in \vartheta$  and  $\langle \varpi^* \sqcap \varrho, 0 \rangle = \langle \varpi^* \sqcap \varrho, \varpi^* \sqcap \varpi \rangle \in \vartheta$ , so  $((\varpi \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varrho), 0) \in \vartheta$  and then  $\langle \varpi, \varrho \rangle \in \vartheta_{\Sigma_\vartheta}$ . For any  $\langle \varpi, \varrho \rangle \in \vartheta_{\Sigma_\vartheta}$ , then  $((\varpi \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varrho), 0) \in \vartheta$ . We calculate that  $\langle (\varpi \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varrho), 0 \rangle = \langle (\varpi \sqcup \varpi^*) \sqcap (\varrho^* \sqcup \varrho) \sqcap (\varpi \sqcup \varpi^*) \sqcap (\varpi \sqcup \varpi^*) \sqcap (\varrho^* \sqcup \varrho), 0 \rangle = \langle (\varpi \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcap (\varpi \sqcup \varrho), 0 \rangle \in \vartheta$ , it turns out that  $\langle (\varpi \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcup ((\varpi \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcap (\varpi \sqcup \varrho)), (\varpi \sqcap \varrho) \sqcup 0 \rangle = \langle \varpi \sqcup \varrho, \varpi \sqcap \varrho \rangle \in \vartheta$ , so  $\langle (\varpi \sqcup \varrho) \sqcap \varpi, (\varpi \sqcap \varrho) \sqcap \varpi \rangle = \langle \varpi \sqcap \varpi, \varpi \sqcap \varrho \rangle \in \vartheta$ . Similarly, we have  $\langle \varrho \sqcap \varrho, \varpi \sqcap \varrho \rangle \in \vartheta$ .

Hence we have  $\langle \varpi \sqcap \varpi, \varrho \sqcap \varrho \rangle \in \vartheta$ . Note that  $\vartheta$  is an ideal congruence on  $\Omega$ , we get  $\langle \varpi, \varrho \rangle \in \vartheta$ . ■

#### IV. BOOLEAN QUASI-RINGS

It is well-known that Boolean algebras can be regarded as rings. Below we discuss the similar results for quasi-Boolean algebras.

**Definition 5:** Let  $\Lambda = (\Lambda; \oplus, \ominus, 0)$  be an algebra of type  $(2, 1, 0)$  and denote the set  $\Lambda \oplus 0 = \{\varpi \oplus 0 \mid \varpi \in \Lambda\}$ . Then  $\Lambda$  is called a *quasi-group* if the following conditions are satisfied for any  $\varpi, \varrho \in \Lambda$ :

- (QG1)  $(\Lambda \oplus 0; \oplus, \ominus, 0)$  is a group with  $0 \oplus 0 = 0$ ;
- (QG2)  $\ominus(\ominus \varpi) = \varpi$ ;
- (QG3)  $\ominus(\varpi \oplus 0) = (\ominus \varpi) \oplus 0$ ;
- (QG4)  $\varpi \oplus \varrho = (\varpi \oplus 0) \oplus (\varrho \oplus 0)$ .

If  $\Lambda = (\Lambda; \oplus, \ominus, 0)$  is a quasi-group and for any  $\varpi, \varrho \in \Lambda$ , we have  $\varpi \oplus \varrho = \varrho \oplus \varpi$ , then  $\Lambda$  is *commutative*. Following from the definition, we know that if  $(\Lambda \oplus 0; \oplus, \ominus, 0)$  is a commutative group, then  $\Lambda$  is a commutative quasi-group.

**Lemma 5:** Let  $\Lambda = (\Lambda; \oplus, \ominus, 0)$  be a quasi-group. Then the following hold for any  $\varpi, \varrho, \varsigma \in \Lambda$ :

- (1) if  $\varpi \oplus 0 \in \Lambda \oplus 0$ , then  $\varpi \oplus 0 = 0 \oplus \varpi$ ;
- (2)  $(\varpi \oplus \varrho) \oplus \varsigma = \varpi \oplus (\varrho \oplus \varsigma)$ ;
- (3)  $(\ominus \varpi) \oplus \varpi = \varpi \oplus (\ominus \varpi) = 0$ ;
- (4) if  $\varpi \oplus \varrho = \varpi \oplus \varsigma$ , then  $0 \oplus \varrho = 0 \oplus \varsigma$ ,  
if  $\varrho \oplus \varpi = \varsigma \oplus \varpi$ , then  $\varrho \oplus 0 = \varsigma \oplus 0$ .

*Proof:* (1) Since  $0 \oplus 0 = 0 \in \Lambda \oplus 0$ , we have  $\varpi \oplus 0 = 0 \oplus (\varpi \oplus 0) = (0 \oplus 0) \oplus (\varpi \oplus 0) = 0 \oplus \varpi$  by (QG4).

(2) We have  $(\varpi \oplus \varrho) \oplus \varsigma = ((\varpi \oplus 0) \oplus (\varrho \oplus 0) \oplus 0) \oplus (\varsigma \oplus 0) = ((\varpi \oplus 0) \oplus (\varrho \oplus 0)) \oplus (\varsigma \oplus 0) = (\varpi \oplus 0) \oplus ((\varrho \oplus 0) \oplus (\varsigma \oplus 0)) = \varpi \oplus (\varrho \oplus \varsigma)$  by (QG4) and (QG1).

(3) We have  $(\ominus \varpi) \oplus \varpi = ((\ominus \varpi) \oplus 0) \oplus (\varpi \oplus 0) = (\ominus(\varpi \oplus 0)) \oplus (\varpi \oplus 0) = 0$  by (QG4), (QG3) and (QG1).

(4) If  $\varpi \oplus \varrho = \varpi \oplus \varsigma$ , then  $(\ominus \varpi) \oplus \varpi \oplus \varrho = (\ominus \varpi) \oplus \varpi \oplus \varsigma$ , we have  $0 \oplus \varrho = 0 \oplus \varsigma$ . The other can be proved similarly. ■

**Definition 6:** Let  $\Psi = (\Psi; \oplus, \odot, \ominus, 0)$  be an algebra of type  $(2, 2, 1, 0)$ . Then  $\Psi$  is called a *quasi-ring* if the following conditions are satisfied for any  $\varpi, \varrho, \varsigma \in \Psi$ :

- (QR1)  $(\Psi; \oplus, \ominus, 0)$  is a commutative quasi-group;
- (QR2)  $(\Psi; \odot)$  is a semigroup;
- (QR3)  $\varpi \odot \varrho = (\varpi \odot \varrho) \oplus 0$ ;
- (QR4)  $\varpi \odot (\varrho \oplus \varsigma) = (\varpi \odot \varrho) \oplus (\varpi \odot \varsigma)$  and  $(\varrho \oplus \varsigma) \odot \varpi = (\varrho \odot \varpi) \oplus (\varsigma \odot \varpi)$ .

A quasi-ring  $\Psi = (\Psi; \oplus, \odot, \ominus, 0, 1)$  is called a *quasi-ring with quasi-identity* if the following condition is satisfied for any  $\varpi, \varrho \in \Psi$ : (QR5)  $\varpi \oplus \varrho = (\varpi \oplus \varrho) \odot 1$  and  $1 \odot 1 = 1$ .

In the following, a quasi-ring  $\Psi = (\Psi; \oplus, \odot, \ominus, 0, 1)$  always means a quasi-ring with quasi-identity. In addition, we shall consider that the operation  $\odot$  has priority to the operation  $\oplus$ .

**Proposition 7:** Let  $\Psi = (\Psi; \oplus, \odot, \ominus, 0, 1)$  be a quasi-ring. Then the following hold for any  $\varpi, \varrho, \varsigma \in \Psi$ :

- (1)  $0 \odot \varpi = \varpi \odot 0 = 0$ ;
- (2)  $(\ominus \varpi) \odot \varrho = \varpi \odot (\ominus \varrho) = \ominus(\varpi \odot \varrho)$ ;
- (3)  $(\ominus \varpi) \odot (\ominus \varrho) = \varpi \odot \varrho$ ;
- (4)  $\varsigma \odot (\varpi \ominus \varrho) = \varsigma \odot \varpi \ominus \varsigma \odot \varrho$  and  $(\varpi \ominus \varrho) \odot \varsigma = \varpi \odot \varsigma \ominus \varrho \odot \varsigma$  where  $\varpi \ominus \varrho = \varpi \oplus (\ominus \varrho)$ ;
- (5)  $\varpi \odot 1 = \varpi \oplus 0$  and  $\varpi \odot 1 = 1 \odot \varpi$ ;
- (6)  $\varpi \odot \varrho \odot 1 = \varpi \odot \varrho$ ;
- (7)  $1 \oplus 0 = 1$ .

*Proof:* (1) Since  $0 \odot \varpi = (0 \oplus 0) \odot \varpi = 0 \odot \varpi \oplus 0 \odot \varpi$ , we have  $0 \odot \varpi \oplus 0 = (0 \odot \varpi \oplus 0) \oplus (0 \odot \varpi \oplus 0)$ . Note that  $0 \odot \varpi \oplus 0 \in \Lambda \oplus 0$ , it turns out that  $0 \odot \varpi = 0 \odot \varpi \oplus 0 = 0$ . Similarly, we have  $\varpi \odot 0 = 0$ .

(2) Since  $(\ominus \varpi) \odot \varrho \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho = (\ominus \varpi \oplus \varpi) \odot \varrho = 0 \odot \varrho = 0$  by (QR4) and (1), we have  $(\ominus \varpi) \odot \varrho \oplus 0 = \ominus(\varpi \odot \varrho) \oplus 0$  by Lemma 5, so  $(\ominus \varpi) \odot \varrho = \ominus(\varpi \odot \varrho)$ . Similarly, we have  $\varpi \odot (\ominus \varrho) = \ominus(\varpi \odot \varrho)$ .

(3) We have  $(\ominus \varpi) \odot (\ominus \varrho) = \ominus(\varpi \odot (\ominus \varrho)) = \ominus(\ominus(\varpi \odot \varrho)) = \varpi \odot \varrho$  by (2) and (QG2).

(4) We have  $\varsigma \odot (\varpi \ominus \varrho) = \varsigma \odot (\varpi \oplus (\ominus \varrho)) = \varsigma \odot \varpi \oplus \varsigma \odot (\ominus \varrho) = \varsigma \odot \varpi \oplus (\ominus(\varsigma \odot \varrho)) = \varsigma \odot \varpi \ominus \varsigma \odot \varrho$ . Similarly, we have  $(\varpi \ominus \varrho) \odot \varsigma = \varpi \odot \varsigma \ominus \varrho \odot \varsigma$ .

(5) We have  $\varpi \oplus 0 = (\varpi \oplus 0) \odot 1 = \varpi \odot 1 \oplus 0 \odot 1 = \varpi \odot 1 \oplus 0 = \varpi \odot 1$ . Similarly,  $0 \oplus \varpi = 1 \odot \varpi$ . Since  $\varpi \oplus 0 = 0 \oplus \varpi$  by Lemma 5, we have  $\varpi \odot 1 = 1 \odot \varpi$ .

(6) We have  $(\varpi \odot \varrho) \odot 1 = (\varpi \odot \varrho) \oplus 0 = \varpi \odot \varrho$  by (5).

(7) We have  $1 \oplus 0 = 1 \odot 1 = 1$ . ■

**Definition 7:** A quasi-ring  $\Psi = (\Psi; \oplus, \odot, \ominus, 0, 1)$  is Boolean, if  $\Psi$  satisfies  $\varpi^2 = \varpi \odot 1$  for any  $\varpi \in \Psi$ .

**Lemma 6:** Let  $\Psi = (\Psi; \oplus, \odot, \ominus, 0, 1)$  be a Boolean quasi-ring. For any  $\varpi, \varrho \in \Psi$ , we have  $\varpi \oplus \varpi = 0$  and  $\varpi \odot \varrho = \varrho \odot \varpi$ .

*Proof:* For any  $\varpi \in \Psi$ , we have  $(\varpi \oplus \varpi)^2 = (\varpi \oplus \varpi) \odot 1 = \varpi \oplus \varpi$  and  $(\varpi \oplus \varpi)^2 = \varpi^2 \oplus \varpi^2 \oplus \varpi^2 \oplus \varpi^2 = \varpi \odot 1 \oplus \varpi \odot 1 \oplus \varpi \odot 1 \oplus \varpi \odot 1 = (\varpi \oplus \varpi \oplus \varpi \oplus \varpi) \odot 1 = \varpi \oplus \varpi \oplus \varpi \oplus \varpi$ , it turns out that  $\varpi \oplus \varpi \oplus \varpi \oplus \varpi = \varpi \oplus \varpi$ , so  $\varpi \oplus \varpi = 0$ . For any  $\varpi, \varrho \in \Psi$ , on the one hand, we have  $(\varpi \oplus \varrho)^2 = (\varpi \oplus \varrho) \odot 1 = \varpi \oplus \varrho$ , on the other hand, we have  $(\varpi \oplus \varrho)^2 = \varpi^2 \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho \oplus \varrho \odot \varpi \oplus \varrho^2 = \varpi \odot 1 \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho \oplus \varrho \odot \varpi \oplus \varrho \odot 1 = \varpi \oplus 0 \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho \oplus \varrho \odot \varpi \oplus \varrho \oplus 0 = \varpi \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho \oplus \varrho \odot \varpi \oplus \varrho$ , it turns out that  $\varpi \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho \oplus \varrho \odot \varpi \oplus \varrho = \varpi \oplus \varrho$ , so  $\varpi \odot \varrho \oplus \varrho \odot \varpi = 0$ . Since  $\varpi \odot \varrho \oplus \varrho \odot \varpi = 0 = \varpi \odot \varrho \oplus \varrho \odot \varpi$ , we have  $\varpi \odot \varrho \oplus 0 = \varrho \odot \varpi \oplus 0$  by Lemma 5, so  $\varpi \odot \varrho = \varrho \odot \varpi$ . ■

**Theorem 2:** Let  $\Omega = (\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  be a quasi-Boolean algebra. Define  $\Omega^{\otimes}$  to be the algebra  $(\Omega; \oplus, \odot, \ominus, 0, 1)$  where for any  $\varpi, \varrho \in \Omega$ ,  $\varpi \oplus \varrho = (\varpi \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varrho)$ ,  $\varpi \odot \varrho = \varpi \sqcap \varrho$  and  $\ominus \varpi = \varpi$ . Then  $\Omega^{\otimes}$  is a Boolean quasi-ring.

*Proof:* Firstly, we show that  $(\Omega; \oplus, \ominus, 0)$  is a commutative quasi-group. For any  $\varpi \in \Omega$ , since  $\varpi \oplus 0 = (\varpi \sqcap 0^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap 0) = (\varpi \sqcap \varpi) \sqcup 0 = \varpi \sqcap \varpi$ , it is easy to see that  $(\Omega \oplus 0; \oplus, \ominus, 0)$  is a group and  $0 \oplus 0 = 0 \sqcap 0 = 0$ . Meanwhile, (QG2) we have  $(\ominus(\ominus \varpi)) = \ominus \varpi = \varpi$ ; (QG3) since  $\ominus(\varpi \oplus 0) = \varpi \oplus 0$  and  $(\ominus \varpi) \oplus 0 = \varpi \oplus 0$ , we have  $\ominus(\varpi \oplus 0) = (\ominus \varpi) \oplus 0$ ; (QG4) we have  $(\varpi \oplus 0) \oplus (\varrho \oplus 0) = (\varpi \sqcap \varpi) \oplus (\varrho \sqcap \varrho) = ((\varpi \sqcap \varpi) \sqcap (\varrho \sqcap \varrho)^*) \sqcup ((\varpi \sqcap \varpi)^* \sqcap (\varrho \sqcap \varrho)) = ((\varpi \sqcap \varpi) \sqcap (\varrho^* \sqcup \varrho^*)) \sqcup ((\varpi^* \sqcup \varpi^*) \sqcap (\varrho \sqcap \varrho)) = ((\varpi \sqcap \varpi) \sqcap (\varrho^* \sqcup \varrho^*)) \sqcup ((\varpi^* \sqcup \varpi^*) \sqcap (\varrho \sqcap \varrho)) = (\varpi \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varrho) = \varpi \oplus \varrho$ . Moreover, we have  $\varpi \oplus \varrho = (\varpi \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varrho) = (\varrho \sqcap \varpi^*) \sqcup (\varrho^* \sqcap \varpi) = \varrho \oplus \varpi$ . So  $(\Omega; \oplus, \ominus, 0)$  is a commutative quasi-group. Secondly, for any  $\varpi \in \Omega$ , we have  $(\varpi \odot \varrho) \odot \varsigma = (\varpi \sqcap \varrho) \sqcap \varsigma = \varpi \sqcap (\varrho \sqcap \varsigma) = \varpi \odot (\varrho \odot \varsigma)$  which implies that  $(\Omega; \odot)$  is a semigroup. Moreover,  $(\varpi \odot \varrho) \oplus 0 = (\varpi \odot \varrho) \sqcap (\varpi \odot \varrho) = (\varpi \sqcap \varrho) \sqcap (\varpi \sqcap \varrho) = \varpi \sqcap \varrho = \varpi \odot \varrho$ . Thirdly, on the one hand, we have  $\varpi \odot (\varrho \oplus \varsigma) = \varpi \sqcap (\varrho \oplus \varsigma) = \varpi \sqcap ((\varrho \sqcap \varsigma^*) \sqcup (\varrho^* \sqcap \varsigma)) = (\varpi \sqcap \varrho \sqcap \varsigma^*) \sqcup (\varpi \sqcap \varrho^* \sqcap \varsigma)$ , on the other hand, we have  $(\varpi \odot \varrho) \oplus (\varpi \odot \varsigma) = (\varpi \sqcap \varrho) \oplus (\varpi \sqcap \varsigma) = ((\varpi \sqcap \varrho) \sqcap (\varpi \sqcap \varsigma)^*) \sqcup ((\varpi \sqcap \varrho)^* \sqcap (\varpi \sqcap \varsigma)) = (\varpi \sqcap \varrho \sqcap (\varpi^* \sqcup \varsigma^*)) \sqcup ((\varpi^* \sqcup \varrho^*) \sqcap (\varpi \sqcap \varsigma)) = (\varpi \sqcap \varrho \sqcap \varpi^*) \sqcup (\varpi \sqcap \varrho \sqcap \varsigma^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varpi \sqcap \varsigma) \sqcup (\varrho^* \sqcap \varpi \sqcap \varsigma) = (\varpi \sqcap \varrho \sqcap \varsigma^*) \sqcup (\varrho^* \sqcap \varpi \sqcap \varsigma)$ , so

$\varpi \odot (\varrho \oplus \varsigma) = (\varpi \odot \varrho) \oplus (\varpi \odot \varsigma)$ . Since  $\varpi \odot \varrho = \varpi \sqcap \varrho = \varrho \sqcap \varpi = \varrho \odot \varpi$ , we have  $(\varrho \oplus \varsigma) \odot \varpi = \varrho \odot \varpi \oplus \varsigma \odot \varpi$ . Finally,  $(\varpi \oplus \varrho) \odot 1 = (\varpi \oplus \varrho) \sqcap 1 = \varpi \oplus \varrho$  and  $1 \odot 1 = 1 \sqcap 1 = 1$ . Thus  $\Omega^{\otimes}$  is a quasi-ring with quasi-identity. Note that  $\varpi^2 = \varpi \odot \varpi = \varpi \sqcap \varpi = \varpi \sqcap 1 = \varpi \odot 1$ , we have that  $\Omega^{\otimes}$  is a Boolean quasi-ring. ■

**Theorem 3:** Let  $\Psi = (\Psi; \oplus, \odot, \ominus, 0, 1)$  be a Boolean quasi-ring. Define  $\Psi^{\otimes}$  to be the algebra  $(\Psi; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  where for any  $\varpi, \varrho \in \Psi$ ,  $\varpi \sqcup \varrho = \varpi \oplus \varrho \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho$ ,  $\varpi \sqcap \varrho = \varpi \odot \varrho$  and  $\varpi^* \in \Psi$  with  $\varpi^* \oplus 0 = (\varpi \oplus 0)^* = 1 \oplus \varpi$ . Then  $\Psi^{\otimes}$  is a generalized quasi-Boolean algebra.

*Proof:* Firstly, we show that  $(\Psi; \sqcup, \sqcap)$  is a  $q$ -lattice. For any  $\varpi, \varrho, \varsigma \in \Psi$ , (QL1) we have  $\varpi \sqcup \varrho = \varpi \oplus \varrho \oplus (\varpi \odot \varrho) = \varrho \oplus \varpi \oplus (\varrho \odot \varpi) = \varrho \sqcup \varpi$  and  $\varpi \sqcap \varrho = \varpi \odot \varrho = \varrho \odot \varpi = \varrho \sqcap \varpi$  by Lemma 6. (QL2) We have  $\varpi \sqcup (\varrho \sqcup \varsigma) = \varpi \oplus (\varrho \sqcup \varsigma) \oplus \varpi \odot (\varrho \sqcup \varsigma) = \varpi \oplus \varrho \oplus \varsigma \oplus \varrho \odot \varsigma \oplus \varpi \odot (\varrho \oplus \varsigma \oplus \varrho \odot \varsigma) = \varpi \oplus \varrho \oplus \varsigma \oplus \varrho \odot \varsigma \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho \oplus \varpi \odot \varsigma \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho \odot \varsigma$ . The value of this last expression does not change if we permute  $\varpi, \varrho$  and  $\varsigma$ , so  $\varpi \sqcup (\varrho \sqcup \varsigma) = \varsigma \sqcup (\varpi \sqcup \varrho)$  and then  $\varpi \sqcup (\varrho \sqcup \varsigma) = (\varpi \sqcup \varrho) \sqcup \varsigma$ . Meanwhile, we have  $(\varpi \sqcap \varrho) \sqcap \varsigma = (\varpi \odot \varrho) \odot \varsigma = \varpi \odot (\varrho \odot \varsigma) = \varpi \sqcap (\varrho \sqcap \varsigma)$ . (QL3) We have  $\varpi \sqcup \varpi = \varpi \oplus \varpi \oplus \varpi \odot \varpi = 0 \oplus \varpi \odot 1 = \varpi \odot 1$  and  $\varpi \sqcup (\varrho \sqcap \varpi) = \varpi \oplus (\varrho \sqcap \varpi) \oplus \varpi \odot (\varrho \sqcap \varpi) = \varpi \oplus \varrho \odot \varpi \oplus \varpi \odot (\varrho \odot \varpi) = \varpi \oplus \varrho \odot \varpi \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho \odot \varpi = \varpi \oplus (\varpi \odot \varrho \oplus \varrho \odot \varpi) = \varpi \oplus (\varpi \odot \varrho \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho) = \varpi \oplus 0 = \varpi \odot 1$ . Thus  $\varpi \sqcup (\varrho \sqcap \varpi) = \varpi \sqcup \varpi$ . Similarly, we have  $\varpi \sqcap (\varrho \sqcup \varpi) = \varpi \sqcap \varpi$ . (QL4) We have  $\varpi \sqcup (\varrho \sqcup \varrho) = \varpi \sqcup (\varrho \odot 1) = \varpi \oplus \varrho \odot 1 \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho \odot 1 = \varpi \oplus \varrho \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho = \varpi \sqcup \varrho$  and  $\varpi \sqcap (\varrho \sqcap \varrho) = \varpi \odot (\varrho \odot \varrho) = \varpi \odot (\varrho \odot 1) = (\varpi \odot \varrho) \odot 1 = \varpi \odot \varrho = \varpi \sqcap \varrho$ . (QL5) We have  $\varpi \sqcup \varpi = \varpi \odot 1 = \varpi \odot \varpi = \varpi \sqcap \varpi$ . Hence  $(\Psi; \sqcup, \sqcap)$  is a  $q$ -lattice. Secondly, since  $\varpi \sqcup (\varrho \sqcap \varsigma) = \varpi \sqcup (\varrho \odot \varsigma) = \varpi \oplus \varrho \odot \varsigma \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho \odot \varsigma$  and  $(\varpi \sqcup \varrho) \sqcap (\varpi \sqcup \varsigma) = (\varpi \oplus \varrho \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho) \odot (\varpi \oplus \varsigma \oplus \varpi \odot \varsigma) = \varpi \odot \varpi \oplus \varpi \odot \varsigma \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho \odot \varsigma \oplus \varrho \odot \varpi \oplus \varrho \odot \varsigma \oplus \varrho \odot \varpi \odot \varsigma \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho \odot \varpi \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho \odot \varpi \odot \varsigma = \varpi \odot 1 \oplus (\varpi \odot \varsigma \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho \odot \varsigma) \oplus (\varrho \odot \varpi \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho \odot \varpi) \oplus (\varrho \odot \varpi \odot \varsigma \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho \odot \varpi \odot \varsigma) \oplus \varrho \odot \varsigma \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho \odot \varsigma = \varpi \oplus \varrho \odot \varsigma \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho \odot \varsigma$ , we have  $\varpi \sqcup (\varrho \sqcap \varsigma) = (\varpi \sqcup \varrho) \sqcap (\varpi \sqcup \varsigma)$ . Similarly, we have  $\varpi \sqcap (\varrho \sqcup \varsigma) = (\varpi \sqcap \varrho) \sqcup (\varpi \sqcap \varsigma)$ . Moreover, we have  $\varpi \sqcap 0 = \varpi \odot 0 = 0$  and  $\varpi \sqcup 1 = \varpi \oplus 1 \oplus \varpi \odot 1 = \varpi \oplus 1 \oplus \varpi \oplus 0 = 1$ . Finally, we have  $\varpi \sqcup \varpi^* = \varpi \oplus \varpi^* \oplus \varpi \odot \varpi^* = \varpi \oplus (\varpi^* \oplus 0) \oplus \varpi \odot (\varpi^* \oplus 0) = \varpi \oplus (1 \oplus \varpi) \oplus \varpi \odot (1 \oplus \varpi) = \varpi \oplus 1 \oplus \varpi \oplus \varpi \odot 1 \oplus \varpi \odot \varpi = 1$  and  $\varpi \sqcap \varpi^* = \varpi \odot \varpi^* = \varpi \odot (\varpi^* \oplus 0) = \varpi \odot (1 \oplus \varpi) = \varpi \odot 1 \oplus \varpi \odot \varpi = \varpi \odot 1 \oplus \varpi \odot 1 = 0$ . Hence  $(\Psi; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  is a complemented distributive  $q$ -lattice. Note that for any  $\varpi \in \Psi$ ,  $\varpi^* \sqcap \varpi^* = \varpi^* \odot \varpi^* = (\varpi^* \oplus 0) \odot (\varpi^* \oplus 0) = (1 \oplus \varpi) \odot (1 \oplus \varpi) = (1 \oplus \varpi) \odot 1 = 1 \oplus \varpi$  and  $(\varpi \sqcup \varpi^*)^* = (\varpi \odot 1)^* = (\varpi \oplus 0)^* = 1 \oplus \varpi$ , we get  $(\varpi \sqcup \varpi^*)^* = \varpi^* \sqcap \varpi^*$  which implies that  $\Psi^{\otimes}$  is a generalized quasi-Boolean algebra. ■

**Corollary 1:** Let  $\Psi = (\Psi; \oplus, \odot, \ominus, 0, 1)$  be a Boolean quasi-ring and  $\Psi^{\otimes}$  be defined in Theorem 3. If the unary operation  $*$  satisfies an additional condition  $\varpi^{**} = \varpi$  for any  $\varpi \in \Psi$ , then  $\Psi^{\otimes}$  is a quasi-Boolean algebra. Moreover,  $\Psi^{\otimes \otimes} = \Psi$  under this case.

**Corollary 2:** Let  $\Omega = (\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  be a quasi-Boolean algebra and  $\Omega^{\otimes}$  be defined in Theorem 2. If the unary operation  $*$  defined in  $\Omega^{\otimes \otimes}$  is same to  $\Omega$ , then  $\Omega^{\otimes \otimes} = \Omega$ .

Given a quasi-ring  $\Psi = (\Psi; \oplus, \odot, \ominus, 0, 1)$ , we define an ideal  $\Sigma$  of  $\Psi$ , if the following conditions are satisfied for any  $\varpi, \varrho, \varepsilon \in \Psi$ ,  $\varpi, \varrho \in \Sigma$  imply  $\varpi \oplus \varrho \in \Sigma$ ,  $\varepsilon \odot \varpi \in \Sigma$  and  $\varpi \odot \varepsilon \in \Sigma$ .

**Theorem 4:** Let  $\Omega = (\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  be a quasi-Boolean algebra and  $\Sigma$  be a weak ideal of  $\Omega$ . Then  $\Sigma$  is an ideal of  $\Omega^{\otimes}$ .

*Proof:* Let  $\Sigma$  be a weak ideal of  $\Omega$ . For any  $\varpi, \varrho \in \Sigma$ , since  $\varpi \sqcap \varrho^* \preceq \varpi$  and  $\varpi^* \sqcap \varrho \preceq \varrho$  and  $\Sigma$  is a weak ideal of  $\Omega$ , we have  $\varpi \sqcap \varrho^* \in \Sigma$  and  $\varpi^* \sqcap \varrho \in \Sigma$ , it turns out that  $\varpi \oplus \varrho = (\varpi \sqcap \varrho^*) \sqcup (\varpi^* \sqcap \varrho) \in \Sigma$ . Meanwhile, we have  $\varpi \odot \varrho = \varrho \in \Sigma$ , so  $\varpi \odot \varrho \in \Sigma$ . Since  $\varepsilon \odot \varpi = \varepsilon \sqcap \varpi = \varpi \odot \varepsilon \preceq \varpi$ , we have  $\varepsilon \odot \varpi \in \Sigma$  and  $\varpi \odot \varepsilon \in \Sigma$ . Hence  $\Sigma$  is an ideal of  $\Omega^{\otimes}$ . ■

**Theorem 5:** Let  $\Psi = (\Psi; \oplus, \odot, \ominus, 0, 1)$  be a Boolean quasi-ring and  $\Sigma$  be an ideal of  $\Psi$ . Then  $\Sigma$  is a weak ideal of  $\Psi^{\otimes}$ .

*Proof:* Let  $\Sigma$  be an ideal of  $\Psi$ . For any  $\varpi \in \Sigma$ ,  $0 = 0 \odot \varpi \in \Sigma$ . If  $\varpi, \varrho \in \Sigma$ , then  $\varpi \oplus \varrho \in \Sigma$  and  $\varpi \odot \varrho \in \Sigma$ , it follows that  $\varpi \sqcup \varrho = \varpi \oplus \varrho \oplus \varpi \odot \varrho \in \Sigma$ . Finally, if  $\varpi \in \Sigma$  and  $\varrho \in \Psi$  with  $\varrho \preceq \varpi$ , then  $\varrho \sqcap \varrho = \varpi \sqcap \varrho = \varpi \odot \varrho \in \Sigma$ . Hence  $\Sigma$  is a weak ideal of  $\Psi^{\otimes}$ . ■

**Corollary 3:** Let  $\Omega = (\Omega; \sqcup, \sqcap, *, 0, 1)$  be a quasi-Boolean algebra and  $\Omega = \Omega^{\otimes \otimes}$ . Then  $\Sigma$  is a weak ideal of  $\Omega$  if and only if  $\Sigma$  is an ideal of  $\Omega^{\otimes}$ .

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