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Given a ring R of positive characteristic, an ideal \mathfrak{a} in R , and a positive number t , one can construct what's called the *test ideal* of this data, denoted $\tau(\mathfrak{a}^t)$. This notion was introduced by Hara and Yoshida in 2003, based on work in tight closure by Hochster and Huneke, and it measures the singularities of R and \mathfrak{a} . Hara and Yoshida also showed that test ideals on regular rings obey a *subadditivity* formula, namely $\tau(\mathfrak{a}^s \mathfrak{b}^t) \subseteq \tau(\mathfrak{a}^s) \tau(\mathfrak{b}^t)$, and Takagi generalized this formula to the affine case. This formula has a number of important applications, such as bounding the growth of symbolic powers of ideals.

In this talk, I will discuss progress towards an improved subadditivity formula for non-regular rings using the formalism of Cartier algebras. Along the way, I will show some constructions for the toric case. (Received February 25, 2017)