

FAMILIES OF VALUATIONS AND SEMIGROUPS OF FRACTIONARY IDEAL CLASSES

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Introduction. Let R be an integral domain with quotient field K . For any valuation v on K which is nonnegative on R , we let $P(v) = \{x \in R \mid v(x) > 0\}$. $P(v)$ is a prime ideal of R and is called the center of v on R . In this paper we are concerned mainly with integral domains R which satisfy the following: There exists a family F of valuations on K such that

- (i) Each $v \in F$ has rank one.
- (ii) $R = \bigcap_{v \in F} R_v$.
- (iii) $R_v = R_{P(v)}$, for each $v \in F$.

A family F of valuations on K is said to be of finite character if for $x \in K$, $x \neq 0$, there are only a finite number of $v \in F$ such that $v(x) \neq 0$. R is called a Krull domain if there is a family F of finite character satisfying (i), (ii), (iii), with the additional requirement that each $v \in F$ be discrete. R is called an almost-Krull (AK) domain [7] if R_P is a Krull domain for every proper nonzero prime P of R . It follows that R is almost Dedekind (AD) iff R is an AK-domain in which proper prime ideals are maximal [7].

Using the family F of valuations we construct a partially ordered semigroup $\mathcal{A}(R)$ of fractionary ideal classes in §1 and study the relation between $\mathcal{A}(R)$ and $\mathcal{D}(R)$, the divisor group of R (see [1]). Necessary and sufficient conditions for $\mathcal{A}(R)$ and $\mathcal{D}(R)$ to be isomorphic are determined. In §2, condition (S) of [3] is studied. §3 consists of an example.

The notation concerning $\mathcal{D}(R)$ is that of [1]. Otherwise, the notation of [8] is used. Prime ideals are always nonzero and not all of R .

1. In order to make this paper as self contained as possible we first list the necessary background results from [1]. R will denote a commutative integral domain with identity and quotient field K . $I(R)$ will denote the collection of nonzero fractionary ideals of R . A fractionary ideal of the form Rx , $x \in K$, $x \neq 0$, is called a principal fractionary ideal.

A relation $<$ is defined on $I(R)$ as follows: $A < B$ iff every principal fractionary ideal of R which contains A also contains B . The relation $<$ is a preorder on $I(R)$; i.e., $<$ is a symmetric, transitive relation. If we define \equiv on $I(R)$ by $A \equiv B$ iff $A < B$ and $B < A$, then \equiv is an equivalence relation on $I(R)$. For $A \in I(R)$, $\text{div}_R(A)$

denotes the equivalence class of A with respect to \equiv and is called the divisor of A ; $\mathcal{D}(R)$ denotes the set of all such equivalence classes.

For $A \in I(R)$, we put $\tilde{A} = \bigcap_{A \subseteq Rx} Rx$. A fractionary ideal B of R is said to be divisoriel if $B = \tilde{B}$. It follows that for $A \in I(R)$, $\text{div}_R(A) = \text{div}_R(\tilde{A})$ and that \tilde{A} is the unique divisoriel fractionary ideal belonging to $\text{div}_R(A)$. It also follows from the definition that $(\tilde{A}\tilde{B}) \sim (AB) \sim$ for $A, B \in I(R)$ so that $\mathcal{D}(R)$ together with the operation $+$, defined by $\text{div}_R(A) + \text{div}_R(B) = \text{div}_R(AB)$, is a commutative semigroup with identity $0 = \text{div}_R(R)$. If we define \leq on $\mathcal{D}(R)$ by $\text{div}_R(A) \leq \text{div}_R(B)$ iff $A < B$ then $\mathcal{D}(R)$ is a lattice ordered semigroup with respect to the partial ordering \leq . Furthermore, $\mathcal{D}(R)$ is a group iff R is completely integrally closed [1, p. 5, Theorem 1].

Let F be a family of valuations on K with the following properties:

- (i) Each $v \in F$ has rank one.
- (ii) $R = \bigcap_{v \in F} R_v$.
- (iii) For each $v \in F$, $R_v = R_{P(v)}$, where $P(v)$ denotes the center of v on R .

Occasionally in place of (i) we shall substitute

- (i') Each $v \in F$ has rank one and is discrete.

DEFINITION 1.1. For $v \in F$, $A \in I(R)$, put $v(A) = \inf \{v(a) \mid a \in A\}$.

LEMMA 1.2. If $A, B \in I(R)$, $v \in F$, then $v(AB) = v(A) + v(B)$.

Proof. See [4, p. 712], Theorem 1, part (2).

Now, for $A, B \in I(R)$, define $A \sim B$ iff $v(A) = v(B)$ for all $v \in F$. Then \sim is an equivalence relation on $I(R)$. For $A \in I(R)$ we let $[A]$ denote the equivalence class of A with respect to \sim , and we let $\mathcal{A}(R)$ denote the set of all such equivalence classes.

Define $+$ on $\mathcal{A}(R)$ by $[A] + [B] = [AB]$. Then $+$ is well defined. Since multiplication of fractionary ideals is commutative and associative, $\mathcal{A}(R)$ together with $+$ is a commutative semigroup with identity $0 = [R]$.

LEMMA 1.3. If $A = Rx$ is a principal fractionary ideal, then $v(A) = v(x)$ for all $v \in F$.

Proof. $v(A) = v(Rx) = \inf_{rx \in Rx} v(rx) = \inf_{r \in R} v(r) + v(x) = v(1) + v(x) = v(x)$.

If G is a group and I is any nonempty index set, we let G^I denote the direct product of I copies of G and we let $G^{(I)}$ denote the direct sum of I copies of G . We shall assume that the value group of each $v \in F$ is a subgroup of the additive group of real numbers. When $v \in F$ is discrete we assume, without loss of generality, that the value group of v is the additive group of integers. X denotes the real numbers and Z denotes the integers.

PROPOSITION 1.4. Let $F = \{v_i \mid i \in I\}$ where I is an index set. The map $f: \mathcal{A}(R) \rightarrow X^I$, defined by $f([A]) = (v_i(A))_{i \in I}$, is a monomorphism.

Proof. The proof is straightforward and is omitted.

It follows from Proposition 1.4 that $\mathcal{A}(R)$ is a semigroup in which the cancellation law holds.

We now introduce a partial ordering for $\mathcal{A}(R)$.

DEFINITION 1.5. For $[A], [B] \in \mathcal{A}(R)$, put $[A] \leq [B]$ iff $v(A) \leq v(B)$ for all $v \in F$.

PROPOSITION 1.6. $\mathcal{A}(R)$ is partially ordered by \leq .

Proof. The proof is straightforward and is omitted.

As usual, if $[A], [B] \in \mathcal{A}(R)$ are such that $[A] \leq [B]$ and $[A] \neq [B]$, we write $[A] < [B]$. Since $[R] = 0 \in \mathcal{A}(R)$, $[A] \in \mathcal{A}(R)$ is such that $[A] \geq 0$ iff A is an ideal of R . For if A is an ideal of R , then $A \subseteq R$ so that $v(A) \geq v(R) = 0$, for all $v \in F$. On the other hand, if $[A] \geq 0$, then $v(A) \geq 0$ for all $v \in F$ so that $A \subseteq \bigcap_{v \in F} R_v = R$. Furthermore, if each $v \in F$ is discrete, then $[A] > 0$ iff $A \subseteq P(v)$ for some $v \in F$. For if $[A] > 0$, then, since each v is discrete, $v(A) \geq 1 > 0$ for some $v \in F$. But then $A \subseteq P(v)$, and conversely. We can use these properties of \leq to characterize the positive elements of $\mathcal{A}(R)$ when the elements of F are discrete.

For n a positive integer and P a minimal prime of R , put $P^{(n)} = P^n R_P \cap R$. We shall assume that F satisfies (i'), (ii), (iii) in Propositions 1.7 and 1.8.

PROPOSITION 1.7. If P is a minimal prime of R and $P = P(v)$ for some $v \in F$, then $P^{(n)} = \{x \in R \mid v(x) \geq n\}$ for every positive integer n .

Proof. We have $P^{(n)} = P^n R_P \cap R = (PR_P)^n \cap R$. So if $x \in P^{(n)}$, then $x \in (PR_P)^n$ and so $v(x) \geq n$; i.e., $P^{(n)} \subseteq \{x \in R \mid v(x) \geq n\}$. On the other hand, if $x \in R$ is such that $v(x) \geq n$, then $x \in P$ and hence $x \in PR_P$. Since $v(x) \geq n$ we have $x \in (PR_P)^n$, and so $x \in P^{(n)}$; i.e., $\{x \mid x \in R, v(x) \geq n\} \subseteq P^{(n)}$.

As is well known, $P^{(n)}$ is a P -primary ideal of R .

PROPOSITION 1.8. Let A be an ideal of R such that $[A] > 0$, and let

$$J = \{j \in I \mid v_j(A) > 0\}.$$

Then $A \subseteq \bigcap_{j \in J} P_j^{(n_j)}$, and $[A] = [\bigcap_{j \in J} P_j^{(n_j)}]$, where for each $j \in J$, $P_j = P(v_j)$ and $n_j = v_j(A)$.

Proof. If $x \in A$, $j \in J$, then $v_j(x) \geq v_j(A) = n_j$; i.e., $x \in P_j^{(n_j)}$ by Proposition 1.7. Thus for each $j \in J$, $A \subseteq P_j^{(n_j)}$; i.e., $A \subseteq \bigcap_{j \in J} P_j^{(n_j)}$; which proves the first assertion. Now let $k \in J$. Since $A \subseteq \bigcap_{j \in J} P_j^{(n_j)}$, we have $v_k(A) \geq v_k(\bigcap_{j \in J} P_j^{(n_j)})$. On the other hand, let $x \in \bigcap_{j \in J} P_j^{(n_j)}$. Then $x \in P_k^{(n_k)}$, and $v_k(x) \geq n_k = v_k(A)$; i.e., $v_k(\bigcap_{j \in J} P_j^{(n_j)}) \geq v_k(A)$. So if $k \in J$, then $v_k(A) = v_k(\bigcap_{j \in J} P_j^{(n_j)})$. If $k \in I - J$, then $0 = v_k(A) \geq v_k(\bigcap_{j \in J} P_j^{(n_j)}) \geq 0$; i.e., $v_k(A) = 0 = v_k(\bigcap_{j \in J} P_j^{(n_j)})$ for all $k \in I - J$. Thus

$$v_i(A) = v_i\left(\bigcap_{j \in J} P_j^{(n_j)}\right)$$

for all $i \in I$; i.e., $[A] = [\bigcap_{j \in J} P_j^{(n_j)}]$.

It follows that $\bigcap_{j \in J} P_j^{(n_j)}$ is the largest ideal B of R such that $[A] = [B]$.

We now drop the assumption that each $v \in F$ is discrete so that F satisfies (i), (ii) and (iii). Property (i) says that R_v is a rank one valuation ring and hence completely integrally closed for each $v \in F$. Property (ii) shows that R is the intersection of completely integrally closed overrings and hence is completely integrally closed. So (i) and (ii) insure that $\mathcal{D}(R)$ is a group. We now study relations between the semigroup $\mathcal{A}(R)$ and the group $\mathcal{D}(R)$.

The next two propositions have been proved in [6] for the case when F is the family of essential valuations of an AD-domain R .

PROPOSITION 1.9. *Let $A \in I(R)$. Then, considering $[A]$ and $\text{div}_R(A)$ as subsets of $I(R)$, $[A] \subseteq \text{div}_R(A)$.*

Proof. Let $B \in [A]$. Then $v(B) = v(A)$ for all $v \in F$. If $A \subseteq Rx$, then $v(A) \geq v(Rx) = v(x)$, and so $v(B) \geq v(x)$ for all $v \in F$. If $b \in B$, then $v(b) - v(x) \geq 0$ for all $v \in F$; i.e., $v(b/x) \geq 0$ for all $v \in F$. Thus if $b \in B$ then $b/x \in \bigcap_{v \in F} R_v = R$, and $b \in Rx$; i.e., $B \subseteq Rx$. Similarly, if $B \subseteq Ry$ then $A \subseteq Ry$. In this case, $\tilde{A} = \bigcap_{A \subseteq Ry} Ry = \bigcap_{B \subseteq Rx} Rx = \tilde{B}$, and $\text{div}_R(A) = \text{div}_R(B)$. Hence $B \in \text{div}_R(A)$.

PROPOSITION 1.10. *The map $g: \mathcal{A}(R) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(R)$ defined by $g([A]) = \text{div}_R(A)$ is an order preserving homomorphism of the partially ordered semigroup $\mathcal{A}(R)$ onto the lattice ordered group $\mathcal{D}(R)$.*

Proof. Proposition 1.9 shows that g is well defined and onto. It follows directly that g is a homomorphism. To see that g preserves order, suppose $[A], [B] \in \mathcal{A}(R)$ with $[A] \leq [B]$. If $A \subseteq Rx$, it follows as in the proof of 1.9 that $B \subseteq Rx$ so that $A \subseteq B$, and hence $\text{div}_R(A) \leq \text{div}_R(B)$.

Now let T be a domain such that $R \subseteq T \subseteq K$ and such that there is a subfamily G of F such that $T = \bigcap_{v \in G} R_v$. It is easy to show that G is a family of valuations for T satisfying (i), (ii), (iii).

PROPOSITION 1.11. *The map $\sigma: \mathcal{A}(R) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}(T)$, defined by $\sigma([A]) = [AT]$, is an order preserving homomorphism of $\mathcal{A}(R)$ onto $\mathcal{A}(T)$.*

Proof. Here, $\mathcal{A}(T)$ denotes the semigroup of fractionary ideal classes of T formed with the family G .

It is clear that σ is well defined. To see that σ is onto, let \mathcal{U} be any nonzero fractionary ideal of T . Then $\mathcal{U} = (1/d)\mathcal{B}$, where \mathcal{B} is an ideal of T , $d \in R$, $d \neq 0$. Put $A = (1/d)B$, where $B = \mathcal{U} \cap R$. It can be shown that $v(B) = v(\mathcal{B})$ for all $v \in G$, and hence $\sigma([A]) = [\mathcal{U}]$. It is straightforward to show that σ is a homomorphism which preserves order.

COROLLARY 1.12. *If T is as in 1.11, then $\mathcal{D}(T)$ is a homomorphic image of $\mathcal{A}(R)$.*

Let T be as in 1.11, and consider the following diagram:
 Diagram 1.13.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{A}(R) & \xrightarrow{\sigma} & \mathcal{A}(T) \\ g_1 \downarrow & & \downarrow g_2 \\ \mathcal{D}(R) & \xrightarrow{\rho} & \mathcal{D}(T) \end{array}$$

Here σ is the homomorphism of 1.11, g_1 and g_2 are the canonical homomorphisms of 1.10. In general, this diagram may not be completed commutatively by a homomorphism ρ . For let R be an AD-domain which is not Dedekind, and let F denote the family of essential valuations of R . By a result in [6], R contains at least one proper prime P which is not divisoriel. Then $P < \tilde{P}$, and hence $\tilde{P} = R$ since P is maximal. Since R is AD, there is $v \in F$ such that $P = P(v)$, for some $v \in F$. Take $T = R_P = R_v$ and assume that ρ completes the following diagram commutatively:

Diagram 1.14.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{A}(R) & \xrightarrow{\sigma} & \mathcal{A}(R_P) \\ g_1 \downarrow & & \downarrow g_2 \\ \mathcal{D}(R) & \xrightarrow{\rho} & \mathcal{D}(R_P) \end{array}$$

Then we must have $\rho(g_1([P])) = g_2(\sigma([P]))$. However, $g_1([P]) = \text{div}_R(P) = 0$ (since $\tilde{P} = R$) so that $\rho(g_1([P])) = 0$; and on the other hand $\sigma([P]) = [PR_P]$. But since R_P is a Dedekind domain with unique maximal ideal PR_P , we have that $\text{div}_{R_P}(PR_P) > 0$; i.e., $g_2(\sigma([P])) = \text{div}_{R_P}(PR_P) > 0$. Thus $\rho g_1 \neq g_2 \sigma$, contradicting our assumption on ρ . This proves the assertion that, in general, Diagram 1.13 may not be completed commutatively.

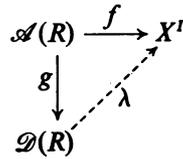
Equivalent conditions for an AD-domain R to be Dedekind are given in terms of $\mathcal{A}(R)$ in [6]. If we are to extend these results we need to know something about the inverses of elements of $\mathcal{A}(R)$ whenever they exist.

PROPOSITION 1.15. *If $[A] \in \mathcal{A}(R)$ has an inverse then $-[A] = [R:A]$.*

Proof. Suppose $[A] \in \mathcal{A}(R)$ has an inverse $[B]$. Since the canonical map $g: \mathcal{A}(R) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(R)$ is a homomorphism, we must have that $g(-[A]) = -g([A]) = -\text{div}_R(A) = \text{div}_R(R:A)$. Thus $g([B]) = g(-[A]) = \text{div}_R(R:A)$. But by definition of g , $g([B]) = \text{div}_R(B)$ so that $\text{div}_R(B) = \text{div}_R(R:A)$. Since $R:A$ is divisoriel we have $B \subseteq \tilde{B} = R:A = R:\tilde{A}$. Then $AB \subseteq A(R:A) \subseteq R$ so that $0 = [AB] \geq [A(R:A)] \geq 0$. Thus $0 = [A] + [B] = [A] + [R:A]$; i.e., $-[A] = [B] = [R:A]$.

Now consider the following diagram.

Diagram 1.16.



Here g is the canonical homomorphism and f is the homomorphism of 1.4. g is surjective and f is injective.

PROPOSITION 1.17. *Diagram 1.16 may be completed commutatively by a homomorphism λ iff g is an isomorphism.*

We can now prove the following theorem.

THEOREM 1.18. *Let R be an integral domain with quotient field K , and let F be a family of valuations satisfying (i), (ii), (iii). The following statements are equivalent.*

- (1) $\mathcal{A}(R)$ is a group.
- (2) $R:A=R:B \Rightarrow [A]=[B]$, for all $A, B \in I(R)$.
- (3) $v(A)=v(\tilde{A})$ for all $A \in I(R)$ and $v \in F$.
- (4) The map $g: \mathcal{A}(R) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(R)$ is an isomorphism.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2) Suppose $\mathcal{A}(R)$ is a group. Let $A, B \in I(R)$ be such that $R:A = R:B$. By 1.15 we have $-[A]=[R:A]=[R:B]=-[B]$ and hence $[A]=[B]$.

(2) \Rightarrow (3) We have $R:A=R:\tilde{A}$ for all $A \in I(R)$. If (2) holds then $[A]=[A]$ for all $A \in I(R)$; i.e., $v(A)=v(\tilde{A})$ for all $v \in F, A \in I(R)$.

(3) \Rightarrow (4) Consider Diagram 1.16. If $v(A)=v(\tilde{A})$ for all $v \in F$ and $A \in I(R)$, we can define $\lambda: \mathcal{D}(R) \rightarrow X^I$ by $\lambda(\text{div}_R(A))=(v_i(A))_{i \in I}$. It follows that λ is a homomorphism and that $\lambda \circ g=f$. By 1.17, g is an isomorphism.

(4) \Rightarrow (1) obvious.

We observe that the converse of statement (2) in 1.18 is always true in R . For if $[A]=[B]$, then $A \in [B] \subseteq \text{div}_R(B)$, and $B \in \text{div}_R(B)$ so that $\text{div}_R(A)=\text{div}_R(B)$ and hence $R:A=R:B$.

When the valuations in F are discrete we obtain a partial generalization of a result in [6] with the aid of the following lemma.

LEMMA 1.19. *Assume that each $v \in F$ is discrete. Then for each $v \in F$, if $\text{div}_R(P(v)) \neq 0$ then $P(v)=(P(v))^\sim$.*

Proof. We have $P(v) \subseteq (P(v))^\sim \subseteq R$. If $P(v) < (P(v))^\sim$, there is $x \in (P(v))^\sim, x \notin P(v)$. Then $v(x)=0=v(P(v))^\sim$. Also, for $w \in F, w \neq v$, we have $0=w(P(v)) \geq w(P(v))^\sim \geq 0$. Thus $[(P(v))^\sim]=0$. Since the canonical map g from $\mathcal{A}(R)$ onto $\mathcal{D}(R)$ is a homomorphism, we should have $0=[(P(v))^\sim] \rightarrow \text{div}_R(P(v))^\sim = \text{div}_R(P(v))=0$. But $\text{div}_R(P(v)) \neq 0$ by assumption. Thus we must have $(P(v))^\sim = P(v)$ if $\text{div}_R(P(v)) \neq 0$.

THEOREM 1.20. *Assume each $v \in F$ is discrete. Then the canonical map g from $\mathcal{A}(R)$ onto $\mathcal{D}(R)$ is an isomorphism iff $P(v)$ is divisoriel for each $v \in F$.*

Proof. (\Rightarrow) Suppose g is an isomorphism. If $P=P(v)$ for some $v \in F$, then $[P]>0$ since $v(P)=1$. If P is not divisoriel then $g([P])=\text{div}_R(P)=0$, by Lemma 1.19. But then g is not 1-1 and hence not an isomorphism. For $[R]=0 \neq [P]$.

(\Leftarrow) Suppose $P(v)$ is divisoriel for each $v \in F$. Then if $A \in I(R)$ is such that $\text{div}_R(A)=0$ we must have $A \subseteq R$ (for this result see [1, bottom of p. 4]). Moreover, $A \not\subseteq P(v)$ for any $v \in F$. For if $A \subseteq P=P(v)$ for some $v \in F$, then $\text{div}_R(A) \geq \text{div}_R(P) > 0$, a contradiction. Thus $g([A])=0$ iff $[A]=0$. Now suppose $[A], [B] \in \mathcal{A}(R)$ are such that $g([A])=g([B])$. Then $\text{div}_R(A)=\text{div}_R(B)$ so that $\text{div}_R(A)-\text{div}_R(B)=0 = \text{div}_R(B)-\text{div}_R(A)$; i.e., $\text{div}_R(A:B)=0=\text{div}_R(B:A)$. Since $g([A:B])=g([B:A])=0$, we must have $[A:B]=0=[B:A]$. Since each $v \in F$ is discrete, for each $v \in F$ there is $x \in A:B$ such that $v(x)=v(A:B)=0$. Now $xB \subseteq A$ (by definition of $A:B$) so that $v(x)+v(B)=v(xB) \geq v(A)$; i.e., $v(B) \geq v(A)$. Thus $v(B) \geq v(A)$ for all $v \in F$. Similarly $v(A) \geq v(B)$ for all $v \in F$, and $[A]=[B]$. This shows that g is 1-1 and hence an isomorphism.

When R is AD, the author has shown in [6] that $P(v)$ is divisoriel for each $v \in F$ iff R is Dedekind. To date, however, the author has been unable to prove the following conjecture: If R is AK and $P(v)$ is divisoriel for each $v \in F$, then R is a Krull domain.

When R is AK, we do have the following theorem.

THEOREM 1.21. *Let R be an AK-domain with family F of essential valuations and let Δ denote the collection of maximal ideals of R . Every minimal prime of R is divisoriel iff $\tilde{A} = \bigcap_{M \in \Delta} (AR_M)^\sim$ for every ideal A of R .*

Proof. Here $\tilde{A} = \bigcap_{A \subseteq R_x} Rx$ and $(AR_M)^\sim = \bigcap_{AR_M \subseteq R_M y} R_M y$. For any maximal ideal M of R , F_M denotes the family of essential valuations of the Krull domain R_M . Recall that $F_M \subseteq F$.

(\Rightarrow) Let A be an ideal of R . If M is any maximal ideal of R then $v(A)=v(AR_M)$ for all $v \in F_M$. Since R_M is a Krull domain, $v(AR_M)=v(AR_M)^\sim$ for all $v \in F_M$ so that $v(A)=V(AR_M)^\sim$ for all $v \in F_M$.

Case 1. $v(A)=0$ for all $v \in F$.

Then $P < A$ for every minimal prime P of R . In this case $\tilde{A} = R = \bigcap_{M \in \Delta} R_M = \bigcap_{M \in \Delta} (AR_M)^\sim$.

Case 2. $v(A)>0$ for some $v \in F$.

For each maximal ideal M of R , if there is $v \in F_M$ such that $0 < v(A)=v(AR_M)^\sim$, then we can write

$$(AR_M)^\sim = \bigcap_{v_i \in F_M: v_i(A) > 0} Q_i^{(n_i)},$$

where $n_i = v_i(AR_M)^\sim$ and Q_i is the center of v_i on R_M . Then for each i such that $v_i(A)>0$ we have $Q_i = P_i R_i$ where $P_i = P(v_i)$ in R . Thus $(AR_M)^\sim = \bigcap_i (P_i R_M)^{(n_i)} = \bigcap_i ((P_i R_M)^{n_i} R_M) \cap R_M = \bigcap_i (P_i^{n_i} R_M \cap R_M)$ where i runs over all indices such that $v_i \in F_M$ and $v_i(A)>0$, and $n_i = v_i(A)$ for each such i . It can then be shown that, $C = \bigcap_{M \in \Delta} (AR_M)^\sim = \bigcap \{P_i^{(n_i)} \mid v_i \in F, v_i(A) > 0\}$. Then $[C]=[A]$. Since $[A]=\text{div}_R(A)$, it follows that $\tilde{A}=C$.

(\Leftarrow) Suppose P is a minimal prime of R . If $M \in \Delta$, then either $P \subseteq M$ or $P \not\subseteq M$. If $P \not\subseteq M$ then $PR_M = R_M$. If $P \subseteq M$, then PR_M is a minimal prime of the Krull domain R_M and thus $(PR_M)^\sim = PR_M$. Since P is contained in some maximal ideal M we have $\tilde{P} = \bigcap_{M \in \Delta} (PR_M)^\sim = \bigcap_{M \in \Delta} PR_M = P$.

We now drop the assumption that R is an AK-domain and assume only that F satisfies axioms (i), (ii), (iii) at the beginning of this section. The next lemma tells us more about the elements of $\mathcal{A}(R)$ which have inverses and enables us to partially describe $\mathcal{D}(R)$ in certain cases where $\mathcal{A}(R)$ may not be a group.

LEMMA 1.22. *If $[A] \in \mathcal{A}(R)$ is such that $[A]$ has an inverse then $[A] = [\tilde{A}]$.*

Proof. If $[A] \in \mathcal{A}(R)$ has an inverse then $-[A] = [R:A]$ by Proposition 1.15. Now $A \subseteq \tilde{A}$ and $R:A = R:\tilde{A}$. Thus $A(R:A) \subseteq \tilde{A}(R:A) = \tilde{A}(R:\tilde{A}) \subseteq R$. These containment relations yield the following: $0 = [A(R:A)] \geq [\tilde{A}(R:\tilde{A})] \geq 0$. Thus

$$0 = [A] + [R:A] = [\tilde{A}] + [R:A] \quad \text{and} \quad [A] = [\tilde{A}].$$

COROLLARY 1.23. *If $[A], [B]$ have inverses in $\mathcal{A}(R)$, then $[\tilde{A}] + [\tilde{B}] = [\tilde{A}\tilde{B}] = [AB]^\sim$; i.e., $v(\tilde{A}\tilde{B}) = v(AB)^\sim$ for all $v \in F$.*

Proof. By 1.22 above, if $[A], [B]$ have inverses then $[A] = [\tilde{A}]$ and $[B] = [\tilde{B}]$. Moreover, $[A] + [B]$ has an inverse. Thus $[A] + [B] = [AB] = [AB]^\sim$ by 1.22; i.e., $[\tilde{A}] + [\tilde{B}] = [\tilde{A}\tilde{B}] = [AB]^\sim$.

Now consider the map $\rho: \mathcal{D}(R) \rightarrow X^I$ defined by $\rho(\text{div}_R(A)) = (v_i(\tilde{A}))_{i \in I}$. ρ is well defined, for if $\text{div}_R(A) = \text{div}_R(B)$ then $\tilde{A} = \tilde{B}$. Conversely, if $(v_i(\tilde{A}))_{i \in I} = (v_i(\tilde{B}))_{i \in I}$ then $[\tilde{B}] = [\tilde{A}]$ and so $\text{div}_R(A) = \text{div}_R(\tilde{A}) = \text{div}_R(\tilde{B}) = \text{div}_R(B)$ by the remark following the proof of 1.18. Thus ρ is 1-1. We can now give a description of $\mathcal{D}(R)$ when R is fairly well behaved.

THEOREM 1.24. *The map $\rho: \mathcal{D}(R) \rightarrow X^I$ defined by $\rho(\text{div}_R(A)) = (v_i(\tilde{A}))_{i \in I}$ is 1-1. Furthermore ρ is a homomorphism iff $[\tilde{A}] \in \mathcal{A}(R)$ has an inverse for all $A \in I(R)$.*

Proof. The first assertion is proved in the immediately preceding remarks. We now prove the second assertion.

(\Rightarrow) Suppose ρ is a homomorphism. Then since $\mathcal{D}(R)$ is a group, for $\text{div}_R(A) \in \mathcal{D}(R)$, $-\text{div}_R(A) = \text{div}_R(R:A)$. Thus $\rho(\text{div}_R(A) + \text{div}_R(R:A)) = 0 = \rho(\text{div}_R(A)) + \rho(\text{div}_R(R:A)) = (v_i(\tilde{A}))_{i \in I} + (v_i(R:A))_{i \in I}$. It follows that $[\tilde{A}]$ has an inverse in $\mathcal{A}(R)$.

(\Leftarrow) Suppose that $[\tilde{A}]$ has an inverse for all $A \in I(R)$. By Corollary 1.23, we have that $[\tilde{A}\tilde{B}] = [AB]^\sim$ for all $A, B \in I(R)$. Thus for $A, B \in I(R)$ we have $\rho(\text{div}_R(AB)) = (v_i(AB))_{i \in I} = (v_i(\tilde{A}\tilde{B}))_{i \in I} = (v_i(\tilde{A}))_{i \in I} + (v_i(\tilde{B}))_{i \in I} = \rho(\text{div}_R(A)) + \rho(\text{div}_R(B))$ and ρ is a homomorphism.

Now, let R be an AK-domain. Then R_P is a Krull domain for any prime ideal P of R . However, these are not the only Krull domains T such that $R \subseteq T \subseteq K$. For if $\Delta = \{P_1, \dots, P_n\}$ is any finite collection of prime ideals of R then $T = \bigcap_{P_i \in \Delta} R_{P_i}$ is also a Krull domain. Thus there is a large class of Krull domains T such that

$R \subseteq T \subseteq K$. When R is an AK-domain in which every minimal prime is divisoriel we always have that $\mathcal{D}(T)$ is a homomorphic image of $\mathcal{D}(R)$, where T is an AK-domain such that $R \subseteq T \subseteq K$. For, $\mathcal{A}(T)$ is a homomorphic image of the group $\mathcal{A}(R)$ and so is a group. Then $\mathcal{A}(R) \cong \mathcal{D}(R)$ and $\mathcal{A}(T) \cong \mathcal{D}(T)$. When T is a Krull domain and R is an AK-domain for which the map ρ of Theorem 1.24 is a homomorphism we also get that $\mathcal{D}(T)$ is a homomorphic image of $\mathcal{D}(R)$ as follows.

PROPOSITION 1.25. *Let R be an AK-domain and let T be a Krull domain such that $R \subseteq T \subseteq K$. If $[\tilde{A}]$ has an inverse for every $[A] \in \mathcal{A}(R)$ then the map $\tau: \mathcal{D}(R) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(T)$, defined by $\tau(\text{div}_R(A)) = \text{div}_T(\tilde{A}T)$, is a homomorphism of $\mathcal{D}(R)$ onto $\mathcal{D}(T)$.*

Proof. τ is well defined, for if $\text{div}_R(A) = \text{div}_R(B)$ then $\tilde{A} = \tilde{B}$ so that $\tilde{A}T = \tilde{B}T$. Now consider the following diagram.

Diagram 1.26.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{D}(R) & \xrightarrow{\rho} & Z^I \\ \tau \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi \\ \mathcal{D}(T) & \xrightarrow{\gamma} & Z^{(J)} \end{array}$$

Here, I is the index set for the family of essential valuations of R ; J is the index set for the family of essential valuations of T ; π is the projection of Z^I onto $Z^{(J)}$; ρ is the (injective) homomorphism of 1.24; γ is the injection of 1.4. It is well known that γ is also surjective; i.e., γ is an isomorphism. Consider the map $\gamma^{-1} \circ \pi \circ \rho: \mathcal{D}(R) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}(T)$. We have, for $\text{div}_R(A) \in \mathcal{D}(R)$, $(\gamma^{-1} \circ \pi \circ \rho)(\text{div}_R(A)) = (\gamma^{-1} \circ \pi) \times (v_i(\tilde{A}))_{i \in I} = \gamma^{-1}((v_j(\tilde{A}))_{j \in J})$. Since T is a Krull domain we have that $v(B) = v(\tilde{B})$ for all fractionary ideals B of T and all essential valuations v . Thus $(v_j(\tilde{A}))_{j \in J} = (v_j(\tilde{A}T))_{j \in J} = (v_j(\tilde{A}T)^\sim)_{j \in J}$ so that $\gamma^{-1}((v_j(\tilde{A}))_{j \in J}) = \text{div}_T(\tilde{A}T)$. Then $\gamma^{-1} \circ \pi \circ \rho = \tau$ and τ is a homomorphism since τ is a composition of homomorphisms. To see that τ is surjective it is sufficient to show that for every divisoriel fractionary ideal \mathcal{U} of T there is a divisoriel fractionary ideal A of R such that $\tau(\text{div}_R(A)) = \text{div}_T(\mathcal{U})$. So let \mathcal{U} be a fractionary ideal of T . There are elements $x, y \in K$ such that $\mathcal{U} = Tx \cap Ty$ [1, p. 13]. Let $A = Rx \cap Ry$. Then A is divisoriel and $v_j(A) = v_j(\mathcal{U})$ for all $j \in J$ and $\tau(\text{div}_R(A)) = \text{div}_T(\mathcal{U})$.

2. Let R be an integral domain with quotient field K . Suppose that F is a family of valuations on K satisfying the following:

- (1) $R = \bigcap_{v \in F} R_v$,
- (2) $R_v = R_{P(v)}$, for each $v \in F$.

Following Gilmer in [3], we make the following definition.

DEFINITION 2.1. We say that R satisfies property $(*)$ with respect to F iff for distinct subsets F_1, F_2 of F we have that $\bigcap_{w \in F_1} R_w \neq \bigcap_{u \in F_2} R_u$.

When R is a Prufer domain and F is the family of valuations induced by the collection of maximal ideals, then property $(*)$ is the same as property $(*)$ in [2].

For $v \in F$, we let $F_v = F - \{v\}$.

PROPOSITION 2.2. *R has property () with respect to F iff for each $v \in F$, $\bigcap_{w \in F_v} R_w \not\subseteq R_v$.*

Proof. The proof is substantially the same as that of Lemma 1 in [2] and is omitted.

COROLLARY 2.3. *If R satisfies $(*)$ with respect to F and if G is any nonempty subset of F , then $T = \bigcap_{u \in G} R_u$ satisfies $(*)$ with respect to G .*

We note that if R satisfies $(*)$ with respect to F then $P(v) \not\subseteq P(w)$ for $v \neq w$. For if $P(v) \subseteq P(w)$ for some $w \neq v$, then $R_{P(w)} \subseteq R_{P(v)}$; i.e., $R_w \subseteq R_v$. Then we have the following: $(\bigcap_{u \in F - \{v, w\}} R_u) \cap (R_v \cap R_w) = (\bigcap_{u \in F - \{v, w\}} R_u) \cap R_w = \bigcap_{u \in F_v} R_u$, and $F \neq F_v$, a contradiction.

PROPOSITION 2.4. *If F is of finite character and is such that $P(u) \not\subseteq P(v)$ if $u \neq v$, then R satisfies $(*)$ with respect to F .*

Proof. Let $v \in F$ and let $x \in R$, $x \neq 0$, be such that $v(x) > 0$. Let v_1, \dots, v_n be the distinct (from v and each other) valuations such that $v_i(x) \neq 0$, $i = 1, \dots, n$. There exists $y \in (\bigcap_{i=1}^n P(v_i)) - P(v)$. For if $\bigcap_{i=1}^n P(v_i) \subseteq P(v)$, then $\prod_{i=1}^n P(v_i) \subseteq \bigcap_{i=1}^n P(v_i) \subseteq P(v)$ and so $P(v_i) \subseteq P(v)$ for some j , $1 \leq j \leq n$, contradicting our hypothesis. Choose n large enough so that $w(y^m/x) \geq 0$ for $w \in F_v$. This is possible since F is of finite character and $w(y) \geq 0$ for all $w \in F_v$. Then $w(y^m/x) \geq 0$ for all $w \in F_v$ and $v(y^m/x) = -v(x) < 0$. Thus $y^m/x \in (\bigcap_{w \in F_v} R_w) - R_v$; i.e., $\bigcap_{w \in F_v} R_w \not\subseteq R_v$. So R satisfies $(*)$ with respect to F by 2.2.

Let R be an integral domain with family F of valuations satisfying (1) and (2) listed at the beginning of this section. R is called a generalized Krull domain if F satisfies the following two additional properties (see [5]).

- (3) Each $v \in F$ has rank one.
- (4) F is of finite character.

COROLLARY 2.5. *If R is a Krull domain, or a generalized Krull domain with family F of valuations, then R satisfies $(*)$ with respect to F .*

Proof. In this case F is a family of rank one valuations of finite character, so that if $u, v \in F$, $u \neq v$, then $P(v) \not\subseteq P(u)$.

PROPOSITION 2.6. *Let R be an AD-domain. The following conditions on R are equivalent.*

- (1) R satisfies $(*)$ with respect to F , the family of essential valuations of R .
- (2) R is Dedekind.
- (3) Every minimal prime of R is divisoriel.

Proof. (1) \Leftrightarrow (2) is Theorem 3 of [3].

(2) \Leftrightarrow (3) is found in [6].

Thus we see that in the case of almost-Dedekind domains, the divisoriel property of the minimal prime ideals completely determines whether or not R satisfies property $(*)$. We shall see that the divisoriel property of the minimal primes is always sufficient for R to satisfy $(*)$.

PROPOSITION 2.7. *Let R be an integral domain with family F of valuations such that*

- (i) *Each $v \in F$ has rank one.*
- (ii) $R = \bigcap_{v \in F} R_v$.
- (iii) $R_v = R_{P(v)}$ for each $v \in F$.

If $P(v)$ is divisoriel for each $v \in F$, then R satisfies $()$ with respect to F .*

Proof. We note that since R is the intersection of rank one valuation rings, R is completely integrally closed and hence $\mathcal{D}(R)$ is a group. If each $P(v)$ is divisoriel, then each $v \in F$ is discrete. For if $P = P(v)$ is divisoriel we must have $P^2 < P$. For if $P^2 = P$, then $\text{div}_R(P^2) = \text{div}_R(P)$; i.e., $2 \text{div}(P) = \text{div}(P)$. Thus $\text{div}(P) = 0$ and $\tilde{P} = R \neq P$, contradicting $\tilde{P} = P$.

Since $P^2 < P$, we have $P^2 R_P < P R_P$ and so R_P is a discrete valuation ring. We now show that $\{P(v) \mid v \in F\}$ is the set of all minimal divisoriel primes of R . Clearly, $\{P(v) \mid v \in F\}$ is contained in the set of all divisoriel minimal primes. Now let P be a minimal, divisoriel prime of R . If $P \neq P(v)$ for any $v \in F$, then $P \not\subseteq P(v)$ for any $v \in F$ and so $v(P) = 0$ for all $v \in F$; i.e., $[P] = 0$. But then we would have $g([P]) = 0$; i.e., $\text{div}(P) = 0$; i.e., $\tilde{P} = R$, contradicting $\tilde{P} = P < R$. So we must have that

$$\{P(v) \mid v \in F\}$$

is the set of all divisoriel minimal primes of R . Now let G be any subset of F such that $R = \bigcap_{u \in G} R_u$. $P(u)$ is divisoriel for each $u \in G$ since $G \subseteq F$. By what we have just shown, $\{P(u) \mid u \in G\}$ is the collection of all minimal divisoriel primes of R ; i.e., $G = F$. Thus for any $v \in F$, $\bigcap_{u \in F_v} R_u \not\subseteq R_v$ and so R satisfies $(*)$ with respect to F .

The first part of the proof of Proposition 2.7 shows that if P is the center of a rank one valuation v , then v is discrete if P is divisoriel. This enables us to characterize Krull domains in the class of generalized Krull domains as follows.

COROLLARY 2.8. *Let R be a generalized Krull domain with family F of valuations. R is a Krull domain iff $P(v)$ is divisoriel for each $v \in F$.*

Let R be an integral domain with quotient field K and let F be a family of valuations on K satisfying conditions (1) and (2) stated at the beginning of this section. Let x be an indeterminate and let F' denote the family of valuations on $K(x)$ which are canonical extensions of elements of F . Let G denote the family of $p(x)$ -adic valuations on $K(x)$, where $p(x)$ is a nonconstant irreducible polynomial in $K[x]$. Then $F' \cup G$ is a family of valuations on $K(x)$ satisfying (1) and (2) with $R[x]$ in place of R .

PROPOSITION 2.9. *If R satisfies $(*)$ with respect to F , then $R[x]$ satisfies $(*)$ with respect to $F' \cup G$.*

Proof. Let $w \in F' \cup G$. If $w \in G$, then w is a $p(x)$ -adic valuation for some non-constant irreducible polynomial $p(x) \in K[x]$. Without loss of generality we may assume that $p(x) \in R[x]$. Suppose $p(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0$, $a_i \in R$. Let $b = \prod_{a_k \neq 0} a_k$. Then $b \neq 0$ since $a_n \neq 0$, and $v(b) = \sum_{a_k \neq 0} v(a_k) \geq \min_{0 \leq j \leq n} v(a_j)$ for all $v \in F$ since $b \in R$ and $a_k \in R$ for all $k=0, 1, \dots, n$, and every $v \in F$ is non-negative on R . Then for $v' \in F'$, $v'(b/p(x)) = v'(b) - v'(p(x)) = v(b) - \min_{0 \leq j \leq n} v(a_j) \geq 0$. If $u \in G$ and $u \neq w$, then u is a $q(x)$ -adic valuation for some nonconstant irreducible polynomial $q(x)$ such that $q(x) \nmid p(x)$. Then $u(b/p(x)) = 0$. Thus $b/p(x) \in \bigcap_{u \in (F \cup G)_w} (R[x])_u$. $b/p(x) \notin (R[x])_w$ since $w(b/p(x)) = -1 < 0$. Thus if $w \in G \cap \bigcap_{u \in (F' \cup G)_w} (R[x])_u \not\subseteq (R[x])_w$. On the other hand, if $w \in F'$, then $w = v'$ for some $v \in F$. Since $\bigcap_{u \in F_v} R_u \not\subseteq R_v$, there is $a \in (\bigcap_{u \in F_v} R_u) - R_v \subseteq (\bigcap_{u' \in F'_v} R[x]_{u'}) \cap K[x] = (\bigcap_{u' \in F'_v} R[x]_{u'}) \cap (\bigcap_{z \in G} R[x]_z) = \bigcap_{w \in (F' \cup G)_v} R[x]_w$, and $a \notin R_v$. Then $a \notin R[x]_{v'}$, for $v'(a) = v(a) < 0$. Thus for every $w \in F' \cup G$ we have $\bigcap_{u \in (F' \cup G)_w} R[x]_u \not\subseteq R[x]_w$ and thus $R[x]$ satisfies $(*)$ with respect to $F' \cup G$ by 2.2.

3. In [6] it was shown that if R is an almost-Dedekind domain with family F of essential valuations, then R is Dedekind iff every minimal prime of R is divisoriel. Thus in an AD-domain R , every minimal prime is divisoriel iff F is of finite character. In §1 it was conjectured that if R is an AK-domain with family F of essential valuations, then R is Krull if $P(v)$ is divisoriel for each $v \in F$; i.e., F is of finite character if $P(v)$ is divisoriel for each $v \in F$. In this section we give an example to show that this conjecture is false if the AK requirement is dropped. We also give an example of an AK-domain which is neither a Krull domain nor an AD-domain.

Let R denote the set of entire functions, C denote the set of complex numbers, Z denote the additive group of integers. It is well known that R is an integral domain under the usual pointwise definitions of addition and multiplication. For $a \in C$ we define $v_a: R - \{0\} \rightarrow Z$ by $v_a(f(z)) = n$ if a is a zero of $f(z)$ of order n . If a is not a zero of $f(z)$ then $v_a(f(z)) = 0$. If $f(z) \equiv 0$ we put $v_a(f(z)) = +\infty$ for each $z \in C$. It is easy to show that each v_a can be extended to a valuation on the quotient field of R . We let F denote this family of valuations. F has the following properties: (i) Each $v \in F$ has rank one and is discrete; (ii) $R = \bigcap \{R_v \mid v \in F\}$; (iii) $R_v = R_{P(v)}$ for each $v \in F$; (iv) For $a \in C$, $P(v_a) = (z - a)R$, and hence is divisoriel; (v) F is not of finite character. Furthermore, $P(v)$ is maximal for each $v \in F$. However, these are not all the maximal ideals of R . For let $\{z_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ be a sequence of complex numbers such that $\lim z_n = \infty$. For each positive integer m , let $f_m(z)$ be an entire function whose zeros are exactly $\{z_m, z_{m+1}, \dots\}$. The ideal generated by $\{f_1(z), f_2(z), \dots\}$ is proper and is contained in a maximal ideal M . However, R_M is not a Krull domain. It follows that R is not AK.

It was shown in [7] that if R is AK and X_1, \dots, X_n are indeterminates, then $R[X_1, \dots, X_n]$ is AK. Let R be an AD-domain which is not a Dedekind domain.

Such a domain is given in example 2 of [2]. Then $R[X_1, \dots, X_n]$ is an AK-domain which is neither a Krull domain nor an AD-domain. We observe that example 1 of [2] is a generalized Krull domain which is not a Krull domain.

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