

NOTE ON PREVALUATION DOMAINS

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ABSTRACT. We study the structure of one-dimensional prenormal domain and show the theorem of independence of prevaluation domains.

1. INTRODUCTION

The author introduced a concept of prevaluation rings in [6] for the study of the properties $\text{Pic}(R) \cong \text{Pic}(R[X, X^{-1}])$ and the seminormality due to Traverso([5]). The purpose of this short note is to show the structure of one-dimensional prenormal domain. In particular, if $R = (R, \mathfrak{m}, k)$ is local, $v(\mathfrak{m}) = \dim_k \tilde{R}/\mathfrak{m}\tilde{R}$.

2. DEFINITIONS AND NOTATIONS

We mean by a ring a commutative ring with identity. The undefined terminology is, in general, the same as that in [4] or [3].

Notation 2.1. (2.1.1) \tilde{R} denotes the derived normal ring of R .

(2.1.2) $Q(R)$ denotes the field of quotients of R .

(2.1.3) $\kappa(\mathfrak{p})$ denotes the residue field of $R_{\mathfrak{p}}$.

(2.1.4) $X^1(R)$ denotes the prime ideals of height one in R .

(2.1.5) $\ell_R(M) = \ell(M)$ denotes the length of an R -module M .

(2.1.6) (R, \mathfrak{m}, k) denotes a quasi-local ring with residue field k .

Definition 2.2. ([6]) Let R be an integral domain with $Q(R) = K$. Then R is said to be a prevaluation domain of K , then either $x \in R$ or $x^{-1} \in \tilde{R}$. In particular, R is said to be a discrete prevaluation domain if \tilde{R} is noetherian.

Definition 2.3. ([1]) Let (R, \mathfrak{m}) be a local domain of dimension one and let $\tilde{\mathfrak{m}}$ be the Jacobson radical of \tilde{R} . Then R is said to be a weak discrete valuation domain if we have $\mathfrak{m} = \tilde{\mathfrak{m}}$ in the set-theoretical sense.

Definition 2.4. An integral domain R is called a pre-Krull domain if the following two conditions are satisfied;

(2.4.1) If $\mathfrak{p} \in X^1(R)$, then $R_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is a discrete prevaluation domain.

(2.4.2) Any non-zero principal ideal of R is the intersection of a finite number of height one.

The condition (2.4.2) above is equivalent to the following two conditions:

(2.4.2a) Any principal ideal of R has only a finite number of prime divisor of height one.

(2.4.2b) $R = \bigcap_{\mathfrak{p} \in X^1(R)} R_{\mathfrak{p}}$, where $\mathfrak{p} \in X^1(R)$

Definition 2.5. An integral domain R is called a weak Krull domain if the following two conditions are satisfied:

(2.5.1) If $\mathfrak{p} \in X^1(R)$, then $R_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is a weak discrete valuation domain.

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(2.5.2) Any non-zero principal ideal of R is the intersection of a finite number of primary ideals of height one.

Definition 2.6. ([2]) A ring R is a Mori ring if it is reduced and \tilde{R} is finite over R .

Definition 2.7. ([6]) Let R be a ring, T an overring of R integral over R . We set

$$R_T^\natural = \{x \in T \mid x \in R_{\mathfrak{p}} + \mathfrak{q}T_{\mathfrak{p}}, \forall \mathfrak{q} \in \text{Spec}(T), \forall \mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{q} \cap R\}$$

R_T^\natural is called the prenormalization of R in T , and if $R = R_T^\natural$, then R is called prenormal in T . If $T = \tilde{R}$, we put $R^\natural = R_T^\natural$, and R is called prenormal if $R = R^\natural$.

Definition 2.8. ([5]) Let R be a ring, T an overring of R integral over R . We set

$$R_T^+ = \{x \in T \mid x \in R_{\mathfrak{p}} + J(T_{\mathfrak{p}}), \forall \mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}(R)\}$$

where $J(T_{\mathfrak{p}})$ is the Jacobson radical of $T_{\mathfrak{p}}$. R_T^+ is called the seminormalization of R in T , and if $R = R_T^+$, then R is called seminormal in T . If $T = \tilde{R}$, we put $R^+ = R_T^+$, and R is called seminormal if $R = R^+$.

Definition 2.9. Then R_T^+ is the largest ring R^* between R and T satisfying the following properties:

(2.9.1) For every $\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}(R)$, there is a unique prime ideal \mathfrak{p}^* of R^* lying over \mathfrak{p} and \mathfrak{p}^* satisfies $\kappa(\mathfrak{p}^*) = \kappa(\mathfrak{p})$.

Definition 2.10. Let R be a reduced ring. R is said to be quasinormal if canonical homomorphism of the Picard groups $\text{Pic}(R) \rightarrow \text{Pic}(R[X, X^{-1}])$ is an isomorphism.

Definition 2.11. Let (R, \mathfrak{m}, k) be a Macaulay local domain of dimension d . The type of R , $r(R)$, is defined by

$$r(R) = \dim_k \text{Ext}_R^d(k, R)$$

3. PREVALUATION DOMAINS

We begin with some straight forward observations:

Proposition 3.1. (3.1.1) Let R be a prevaluation domain of K and let T be an integral domain such that $R \subseteq T \subseteq K$. Then T is a prevaluation domain.

(3.1.2) A normal prevaluation domain is a valuation domain. In particular, If R is a prevaluation domain, then \tilde{R} is a valuation domain, hence R is a quasi-local domain.

(3.1.3) There exists a prevaluation domain, which is not a valuation domain.

Example: Let $K \subseteq L$ be fields and L is finite algebraic over K . Then $K + X \cdot L[[X]]$ is the required example.

(3.1.4) A noetherian prevaluation domain is a discrete prevaluation domain by the theorem of Krull-Akizuki([4](33.2))

(3.1.5) There exists a discrete prevaluation domain which is not noetherian.

Example: Let $K \subseteq L$ be fields and L is infinite algebraic over K . Then $K + X \cdot L[[X]]$ is the required example.

The following proposition is an immediate consequence of Definition(1.2), too.

Proposition 3.2. *Let R be an integral domain with $Q(R) = K$. Then the following statements are equivalent.*

(3.2.1) R is a prevaluation domain of K .

(3.2.2) $\forall a, b \in R, a \in bR$ or $b \in a\tilde{R}$

(3.2.3) \tilde{R} is a valuation domain and the maximal ideal of \tilde{R} is set-theoretically equal to the maximal ideal of R .

(3.2.4) \tilde{R} is a valuation domain and, for any prime ideal \mathfrak{p} of R , a maximal ideal of $\tilde{R}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is set-theoretically equal to \mathfrak{p} .

Proof. (3.2.1) \iff (3.2.2) is nothing but a restatement of the definition.

(3.2.1) \implies (3.2.3): By (3.1.2) $\tilde{R} = (\tilde{R}, \tilde{\mathfrak{m}})$ is a valuation domain. Then R is a quasi-local domain (R, \mathfrak{m}) . It is clear that \mathfrak{m} is contained in $\tilde{\mathfrak{m}}$. Take an element of \mathfrak{m} , say x . Since \tilde{R} is a valuation domain, x^{-1} is not in \tilde{R} . Hence $x \in R \cap \tilde{\mathfrak{m}} = \mathfrak{m}$.

(3.2.3) \implies (3.2.1): Suppose x^{-1} is not in \tilde{R} . Since $\tilde{R} = (\tilde{R}, \mathfrak{m})$ is a prevaluation domain, x is in \mathfrak{m} . Hence $x \in \tilde{\mathfrak{m}} = \mathfrak{m} \subset R$.

(3.2.3) \iff (2.2.4): This is straight forward by (3.6.2).

Corollary 3.3. *A noetherian prevaluation domain is a unibranch weak discrete valuation domain.*

Corollary 3.4. *A prevaluation domain is seminormal.*

Proof. Let \mathfrak{p} be any prime ideal of R and let $J(\tilde{R}_{\mathfrak{p}})$ be the Jacobson radical of $\tilde{R}_{\mathfrak{p}}$. Since $R_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is a prevaluation domain by (3.1.1), $J(\tilde{R}_{\mathfrak{p}}) = J(R_{\mathfrak{p}})$ by (3.2). Hence $J(\tilde{R}_{\mathfrak{p}}) \subseteq R_{\mathfrak{p}}$. Thus $R^+ = \cap [R_{\mathfrak{p}} + J(\tilde{R}_{\mathfrak{p}})] = \cap R_{\mathfrak{p}} = R$.

Corollary 3.5. *A prenormal domain is seminormal.*

Proof. It is obvious by the preceding proof.

Proposition 3.6. *Let R be a prevaluation domain of K and let \mathfrak{p} be a prime ideal of R/\mathfrak{p} . Then, the following statements holds.*

(3.6.1) *If a is an element of R which is not in \mathfrak{p} , then \mathfrak{p} is contained in aR .*

(3.6.2) \mathfrak{p} is set-theoretically equal to $\mathfrak{p}R_{\mathfrak{p}}$.

(3.6.3) R/\mathfrak{p} is a prevaluation domain.

Proof. (3.6.1): Let x be any arbitrary element of \mathfrak{p} . Suppose x is not an element of aR . By (3.2), a is an element of xR , namely a/x is an element of R . Therefore we have

$$(a/x)^m + c_1(a/x)^{m-1} + \dots + c_m = 0 \quad (c_1, \dots, c_m \in R).$$

Hence a^m is an element of xR . Since xR is contained in \mathfrak{p} , a is an element of \mathfrak{p} , a contradiction.

(3.6.2): Let x be any element of $\mathfrak{p}R_{\mathfrak{p}}$. Then there is an element s of R which is not in \mathfrak{p} and such that $t = sx$ is in \mathfrak{p} . Since s is not in \mathfrak{p} , $tR \subset sR$ by (3.6.1), and we have $x \in R$. Moreover, since sx is in \mathfrak{p} , x is an element of \mathfrak{p} .

(3.6.3): Let a, b be elements of R and denote by \bar{a} the image of a in R/\mathfrak{p} . Since either $a \in bR$ or $b \in a\tilde{R}$, either $\bar{a} \in \bar{b}(R/\mathfrak{p})$ or $\bar{b} \in \bar{a}(\tilde{R}/\mathfrak{p}) = \bar{a}(\tilde{R}/\mathfrak{p})$.

Proposition 3.7. *Let (R, \mathfrak{m}, k) be a noetherian prevaluation domain with $\tilde{R} = (\tilde{R}, \tilde{\mathfrak{m}}, \tilde{k})$. Then $v(\tilde{\mathfrak{m}}) = [\tilde{k} : k]$.*

Proof. Let x be an element of R such that $x\tilde{R} = \tilde{\mathfrak{m}}$ and let the y_j 's be elements of R such that $\tilde{\mathfrak{m}} = xR + y_1R + \dots + y_{t-1}R$ where $v(\tilde{\mathfrak{m}}) = t$. Since y_j is also an

element of $\tilde{m} = x\tilde{R}$, $y_j = xu_j$, where u_j is an element of \tilde{R} and is a unit of \tilde{R} by (3.2). Thus the u_j (modulo \tilde{m})'s are the basis of \tilde{k} over k . Therefore $t = [\tilde{k} : k]$.

Corollary 3.8. *Let (R, m, k) be a noetherian prevaluation domain with $r(R) = s$ and put $\tilde{R} = (\tilde{R}, \tilde{m}, \tilde{k})$. Then we have $[\tilde{k} : k] = s + 1$.*

Proof. Let x be an element of R such that $x\tilde{R} = \tilde{m}$. Hence $T = (T, n) = (R/xR, m/xR)$ is a local ring of dimension zero with $r(T) = s$. Therefore $\ell_T(0 : n) = s$. On the other hand, we can see that $(0 : n)_T = n$ by the proof of (3.7). Thus we see that $v(n) = s$, i.e., $v(m) = s + 1$. Hence $[\tilde{k} : k] = s + 1$.

Then we have

Theorem 3.9. *Let (R, m, k) be a Mori local domain of dimension one which is not normal. The following statements are equivalent:*

- (3.9.1) R is prenormal and $v(m) = 2$.
- (3.9.2) R is prenormal and Gorenstein.
- (3.9.3) R is prenormal and $r(R) = 1$.
- (3.9.4) R is a prevaluation domain and $\dim_k \tilde{R}/m\tilde{R} = 2$.
- (3.9.5) R is a prevaluation domain and Hilbert polynomial of R is $f(n) = 2n + 1$.
- (3.9.6) $e(R) = 2$ and R/mR is an integral domain.
- (3.9.7) $e(R) = 2$ and $gr(R)$ is an integral domain.

If moreover R contains a field the above are equivalent to:

(3.9.8) *The completion of R is $\hat{R} = k + X \cdot k(u)[[X]]$, where $k(u)$ is a field extension of degree 2 of k and X is a transcendental element over k .*

Proof. It is clear that (3.9.1) \iff (3.9.2) \iff (3.9.3) \iff (3.9.4) \iff (3.9.5) \iff (3.9.6) \iff (3.9.7).

(3.9.4) \iff (3.9.8): This is straight forward by the structure theorem of complete local rings ([4], (31.1)).

Corollary 3.10. *Let (R, m, k) be a Mori domain of dimension one which is not normal. The following statements are equivalent:*

- (3.10.1) R is prenormal and $v(m) = t + 1$
- (3.10.2) R is prenormal and $r(R) = t$.
- (3.10.3) R is a prevaluation domain and $\dim_k \tilde{R}/m\tilde{R} = t + 1$.
- (3.10.4) R is a prevaluation domain and the Hilbert polynomial of R is $f(n) = (t + 1)n + 1$.
- (3.10.5) $e(R) = t + 1$ and $\tilde{R}/m\tilde{R}$ is an integral domain.
- (3.10.6) $e(R) = t + 1$ and $gr(R)$ is an integral domain.

If moreover R contains a field the above are equivalent to:

(3.10.7) *The completion of R is $\hat{R} = k + X \cdot L[[X]]$, where L is a field extension of degree $t + 1$ of k and X is a transcendental element over k .*

Finally we have add here next remark on prevaluation domains.

Corollary 3.11. *Let a domain R be the intersection $W_1 \cap W_2 \cap \dots \cap W_n$, where the W_j 's are prevaluation domains between R and $Q(R)$. Then W_j has the form $R_{\mathfrak{p}_j}$ for a suitable $\mathfrak{p}_j \in \text{Spec}(R)$.*

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