

## Note on Kaplansky's Commutative Rings

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Let  $L$  be a torsion-free abelian (additive) group, and let  $S$  be a sub-semigroup of  $L$ . Assume that  $S \ni 0$ . Then  $S$  is called a grading monoid (or a  $g$ -monoid) ([8]). Many technical terms in multiplicative ideal theories for commutative rings  $R$  may be defined analogously for  $g$ -monoids  $S$ . For example, a non-empty subset  $I$  of a  $g$ -monoid  $S$  is called an ideal of  $S$  if  $S + I \subset I$ . An ideal  $P$  of  $S$  is called a prime ideal of  $S$ , if  $P \neq S$  and if  $x + y \in P$  (for  $x, y \in S$ ) implies  $x \in P$  or  $y \in P$ . An element  $x$  of  $S$  is called a unit of  $S$ , if  $x + y = 0$  for some element  $y \in S$ . An element  $x$  of  $S$  is called a prime element of  $S$ , if  $S + x$  is a prime ideal of  $S$ . If every non-unit element of  $S$  is expressible as a finite sum of prime elements of  $S$ ,  $S$  is called a unique factorization semigroup (or a UFS). Let  $x, y$  be elements of  $S$ . We say that  $x$  divides  $y$ , if  $y = x + s$  for some  $s \in S$ .  $S$  is called a Noetherian semigroup, if each ideal  $I$  of  $S$  can be expressible as  $I = \bigcup_{i=1}^n (S + a_i)$  for a finite number of elements  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  of  $S$ . ... Many propositions in multiplicative ideal theories for commutative rings  $R$  are known to hold for  $g$ -monoids  $S$  (cf. [1], [2] and [6]). Of course, every technical term for commutative rings  $R$  can not be necessarily defined for  $g$ -monoids  $S$ , and every proposition for  $R$  can not be necessarily formulated for  $S$ . However, the second author conjectures that almost all propositions in multiplicative ideal theories for  $R$  hold for  $S$ .

The aim of this paper is to prove propositions in Kaplansky's Commutative Rings ([4]) for  $g$ -monoids. We will prove for  $g$ -monoids  $S$  all the propositions in [4, Ch.1 and Ch.2] that can be formulated for  $S$ . We will give consecutive numbers for all of our propositions. The case that the proof of some proposition is straightforward, we will omit its proof.

If an ideal  $I$  is properly contained in  $S$ , then  $I$  is called a proper ideal of  $S$ . If, for a proper ideal  $M$ , there are no ideals properly between  $M$  and  $S$ , then  $M$  is called a maximal ideal of  $S$ .

Let  $I$  be an ideal of a  $g$ -monoid  $S$ , and  $x, x_1, \dots, x_n \in S$ . Then we set  $(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \bigcup_{i=1}^n (S + x_i)$  and  $(I, x) = I \cup (S + x)$ . If  $I = (a)$  for some

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$a \in S$ , then  $I$  is called a principal ideal of  $S$ .

1. Let  $Y$  be an additively closed set in a  $g$ -monoid  $S$ , and  $I$  an ideal of  $S$  maximal with respect to the exclusion of  $Y$ . Then  $I$  is a prime ideal of  $S$ .

Let  $Y$  be an additively closed set in a  $g$ -monoid  $S$ . Then  $Y$  is called saturated, if  $s_1 + s_2 \in Y$  (for  $s_1, s_2 \in S$ ) implies  $s_1, s_2 \in Y$ .

2. Let  $S$  be a  $g$ -monoid and  $Y$  a non-empty subset of  $S$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent.

(1)  $Y$  is a saturated additively closed set.

(2)  $S - Y = \bigcup P_\lambda$ , the union ranging over all prime ideals disjoint from  $T$ .

Let  $a, b \in S$ . We say that  $a$  and  $b$  are associated elements of  $S$ , if  $a - b$  is a unit of  $S$ .

3. Let  $S$  be a  $g$ -monoid, and  $p_1, \dots, p_n, q_1, \dots, q_m$  be prime elements of  $S$ . If  $p_1 + \dots + p_n = q_1 + \dots + q_m$ , then  $n = m$  and  $p_i$  and  $q_i$  are associated up to a permutation.

**Proof.** We prove by induction on  $n$ . Suppose that  $n > 1$  and the result is true for  $n - 1$ . There exists  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $q_k \in (p_n)$ . Hence  $q_k = s + p_n$  for  $s \in S$ . Then  $s$  is a unit. We have  $p_1 + \dots + p_{n-1} = s + q_1 + \dots + q_{k-1} + q_{k+1} + \dots + q_m$ . By the hypothesis,  $n - 1 = m - 1$ , and  $p_i$  and  $q_i$  are associated up to a permutation.

4. Let  $S$  be a  $g$ -monoid, and  $Y$  the union of units and all elements in  $S$  expressible as a finite sum of prime elements. Then  $Y$  is a saturated additively closed set.

**Proposition 5.** Let  $S$  be a  $g$ -monoid. Then the following conditions are equivalent.

(1)  $S$  is a UFS.

(2) Every prime ideal of  $S$  contains a prime element.

**Proof.** (2) $\implies$ (1): Let  $T$  be the union of units and all elements of  $S$  expressible as a sum of prime elements. Then  $T$  is saturated by 4. Suppose that  $T \neq S$ . Take  $c \in S - T$ . Then  $(c)$  is disjoint from  $T$ . Expand  $(c)$  to a prime ideal  $P$  disjoint from  $T$ . By the hypothesis,  $P$  contains a prime element; a contradiction. Hence  $S = T$ , and therefore  $S$  is a UFS.

Let  $I$  be an ideal of  $S$ . We say that  $I$  is finitely generated, if  $I = (a_1, \dots, a_n)$  for a finite number of elements  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in I$ .

If a non-empty set  $A$  satisfies the following conditions, then  $A$  is called an  $S$ -module.

- (i)  $s \in S, a \in A$  implies  $s + a \in A$ .
- (ii)  $0 + a = a$ .
- (iii)  $s_1 + (s_2 + a) = (s_1 + s_2) + a$  (for  $s_1, s_2 \in S$ ).

An  $S$ -module  $A$  is called finitely generated over  $S$ , if we can write  $A = \bigcup_{i=1}^n (S + x_i)$  for a finite number of elements  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in A$ .

Let  $A$  be an  $S$ -module,  $x, a_1 \in A$ , and  $(x : a_1)_S = \{s \in S \mid s + a_1 \in S + x\}$ .

**Proposition 6.** Let  $A$  be an  $S$ -module, and  $x \in A$ . Assume that  $I = (x : a_1)_S$  is maximal among all  $\{(x : a_1)_S \mid a_1 \in A \text{ with } a_1 \notin S + x\}$ . Then  $I$  is a prime ideal.

**Proof.** Assume that  $s_1, s_2 \in S$  and  $s_1 + s_2 \in I$ . If  $s_1 \notin I$ , then  $s_1 + a_1 \notin S + x$ . Now  $I = (x : a_1)_S \subset (x : s_1 + a_1)_S$ . By the hypothesis,  $(x : a_1)_S = (x : s_1 + a_1)_S$ . Since  $s_1 + s_2 \in I$ , we have  $s_1 + s_2 + a_1 \in S + x$ , and hence  $s_2 \in I$ . Therefore  $I$  is a prime ideal.

7. Let  $I$  be an ideal of a  $g$ -monoid  $S$ . Assume that  $I$  is not finitely generated, and is maximal among all ideals of  $S$  that are not finitely generated. Then  $I$  is a prime ideal.

**Proof.** Suppose that  $a + b \in I$  with neither  $a$  nor  $b$  in  $I$ . Then the ideal  $(I, a)$  is finitely generated. Write  $(I, a) = (i_1, \dots, i_n, a)$  (for  $i_1, \dots, i_n \in I$ ) and  $J = \{y \in S \mid y + a \in I\}$ . Then  $J \supset I$  and  $b \in J$ .

Hence  $J$  is finitely generated. Write  $J = (j_1, \dots, j_m)$  (for  $j_1, \dots, j_m \in J$ ). We prove that  $I = (i_1, \dots, i_n, j_1 + a, \dots, j_m + a)$ . Take  $z \in I$ . Then we have  $z = i_k + s_1$  or  $z = a + s_2$  since  $z$  lies in  $(I, a)$ . If  $z = i_k + s_1$ , then  $z \in (i_1, \dots, i_n, j_1 + a, \dots, j_m + a)$ . If  $z = a + s_2$ , then we can write  $s_2 = j_l + s_3$  since  $s_2 \in J$ . Then  $z = a + j_l + s_3 \in (i_1, \dots, i_n, j_1 + a, \dots, j_m + a)$ . It follows that  $I$  is finitely generated; a contradiction. Therefore  $I$  is a prime ideal.

By the above 7, we have the following,

**Proposition 8.** If every prime ideal of a g-monoid  $S$  is finitely generated, then  $S$  is a Noetherian semigroup.

9. Let  $P_1 \subset P_2 \subset P_3 \subset \dots$  be a chain of prime ideals of a g-monoid  $S$ , then  $\bigcup_i P_i$  is a prime ideal of  $S$ . Let  $P_1 \supset P_2 \supset P_3 \supset \dots$  be a chain of prime ideals of  $S$  such that  $\bigcap_i P_i \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $\bigcap_i P_i$  is a prime ideal of  $S$ .

Let  $P_1 \supset P_2 \supset \dots$  be a chain of prime ideal of  $S$ . Then it is not necessarily true that  $\bigcap_i P_i \neq \emptyset$ .

10. Let  $I$  be an ideal of a g-monoid  $S$ , and  $P$  a prime ideal containing  $I$ . Then  $P$  can be shrunk to a prime ideal minimal among all prime ideals containing  $I$ .

**Proposition 11.** Let  $P \subset Q$  be distinct prime ideals of a g-monoid  $S$ . Then there exist distinct prime ideals  $P_1, Q_1$  with  $P \subset P_1 \subset Q_1 \subset Q$  such that there are no prime ideals properly between  $P_1$  and  $Q_1$ .

**Proof.** Insert a maximal chain  $\{P_i\}$  of prime ideals between  $P$  and  $Q$ . Take any element  $x \in Q - P$ . Define  $Q_1$  to be the intersection of all  $P_i$  containing  $x$ , and  $P_1$  the union of all  $P_i$  not containing  $x$ . By 9,  $P_1$  and  $Q_1$  are prime ideals, and  $P \subset P_1 \subset Q_1 \subset Q$ . By the maximality of  $\{P_i\}$ , no prime ideals can lie properly between  $P_1$  and  $Q_1$ .

Let  $S \subset T$  be g-monoids. An element  $\alpha \in T$  is called integral over  $S$ ,

if there exists  $n \in \mathbf{N}$  such that  $nu \in S$ .  $T$  is called integral over  $S$  if all its elements are integral over  $S$ .

**Proposition 12.** Let  $S \subset T$  be  $g$ -monoids and  $u \in T$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent.

- (1)  $u$  is integral over  $S$ .
- (2) There exists a finitely generated  $S$ -submodule  $A$  of  $T$  such that  $u + A \subset A$ .

**Proof.** (1)  $\implies$  (2): By the hypothesis,  $nu \in S$  for some  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ . Set  $A = S \cup (S + u) \cup \dots \cup (S + (n - 1)u)$ . Then  $u + A \subset A$ .

(2)  $\implies$  (1): Let  $A = \bigcup_{i=1}^n (S + a_i)$ . We may assume that  $u + a_1 = s_1 + a_2, u + a_2 = s_2 + a_3, \dots, u + a_{l-1} = s_{l-1} + a_l$  and  $u + a_l = s_l + a_k$  for the elements  $s_i$  of  $S$  and for  $1 \leq k \leq l \leq n$ . Then we have  $(l - k + 1)u = s_k + s_{k+1} + \dots + s_l$ . Thus  $u$  is integral over  $S$ .

**13.** Let  $S \subset \Gamma$  be  $g$ -monoids. Then the set of all elements of  $\Gamma$  that are integral over  $S$  is a subsemigroup of  $\Gamma$ .

We define  $\mathbf{Z}_0$  as  $\mathbf{Z}_0 = \{n \in \mathbf{Z} \mid n \geq 0\}$ . Let  $S \subset T$  be  $g$ -monoids and  $u_1, \dots, u_n \in T$ . Then the subset  $S + \mathbf{Z}_0 u_1 + \dots + \mathbf{Z}_0 u_n$  of  $T$  is denoted by  $S[u_1, \dots, u_n]$ .  $S[u_1, \dots, u_n]$  is a subsemigroup of  $T$ .

**14.** Let  $S$  be a  $g$ -monoid, and  $u$  an element of a  $g$ -monoid containing  $S$ . Then  $-u$  is integral over  $S$  if and only if  $-u \in S[u]$ .

**15.** Let  $S$  be a  $g$ -monoid that is contained in a torsion-free abelian (additive) group  $G$ . If  $G$  is integral over  $S$ , then  $S$  is a group.

Let  $S \subset T$  be  $g$ -monoids. If  $T = S[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  for some  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in T$ , then  $T$  is called a finitely generated  $g$ -monoid over  $S$ .

**Proposition 16.** Let  $S \subset T$  be  $g$ -monoids. Then the following conditions are equivalent.

- (1)  $T$  is a finitely generated  $S$ -module.

(2) As a g-monoid,  $T$  is finitely generated over  $S$  and is integral over  $S$ .

**Proof.** (1) $\implies$ (2): Let  $T = \bigcup_{i=1}^n (S + x_i)$  for a finite number of elements  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in T$ . Then  $T = S[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ . By Proposition 12,  $T$  is integral over  $S$ .

(2) $\implies$ (1): Let  $T = S[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  for a finite number of elements  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in T$ . Then we can take  $k_i \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $k_i x_i \in S$ . Then  $T = \bigcup_{0 \leq m_i < k_i} (S + m_1 x_1 + \dots + m_n x_n)$ .

Let  $S$  be a g-monoid and  $q(S) = \{s_1 - s_2 \mid s_1, s_2 \in S\}$ . We call  $q(S)$  the quotient group of  $S$ .

**Proposition 17.** Let  $S$  be a g-monoid with quotient group  $G$ . The following conditions are equivalent.

- (1)  $G$  is a finitely generated g-monoid over  $S$ .
- (2) As a g-monoid,  $G$  can be generated over  $S$  by one element.

**Proof.** (1) $\implies$ (2): Assume that  $G = S[u_1, \dots, u_n]$  and  $u_i = a_i - b_i$  (for  $a_i, b_i \in S, 1 \leq i \leq n$ ). Put  $b_1 + \dots + b_n = c$ . Take any element  $f \in G$ . Then, for  $s \in S$  and  $k_1, \dots, k_n \in \mathbb{Z}_0$ , we have

$$f = s + k_1 u_1 + \dots + k_n u_n = s + k_1 a_1 + \dots + k_n a_n - k_1 b_1 - \dots - k_n b_n.$$

For a sufficiently large  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_0$ , we have

$$f = s + k_1 a_1 + \dots + k_n a_n + (k - k_1) b_1 + \dots + (k - k_n) b_n - k(b_1 + \dots + b_n) = s_1 - kc \in S[-c] \text{ (for } s_1 \in S).$$

Hence  $G = S[-c]$ .

Let  $S$  be a g-monoid. If  $S$  satisfies either of the conditions in Proposition 17, then  $S$  is called a G-semigroup.

**18.** Let  $S$  be a g-monoid with quotient group  $G$ . For an element  $u \in S$  the following conditions are equivalent.

- (1) Any prime ideal of  $S$  contains  $u$ .
- (2) Any ideal of  $S$  contains  $nu$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- (3)  $G = S[-u]$ .

**Proof.** (1) $\implies$ (2): Let  $I$  be an ideal of  $S$ . Suppose that  $I$  contains no multiples of  $u$ . By 1,  $I$  can be expanded to a prime ideal  $P$  disjoint from  $T = \{nu \mid n \in \mathbf{N}\}$ ; a contradiction.

(2) $\implies$ (3): Take any element  $b \in S$ . We can write  $nu = s + b$  (for  $s \in S, n \in \mathbf{N}$ ) since  $nu \in (b)$ . Then  $-b = s - nu \in S[-u]$ . Hence  $G = S[-u]$ .

(3) $\implies$ (1): Let  $P$  be a prime ideal of  $S$ . Take any element  $b \in P$ . We can write  $-b = s - nu$  (for  $s \in S, n \in \mathbf{N}$ ). Then  $nu = s + b \in P$ . Therefore  $u \in P$ .

Let  $S$  be a g-monoid with quotient group  $G$ . If  $T$  is a g-monoid lying between  $S$  and  $G$ , then  $T$  is called an oversemigroup of  $S$ .

19. Let  $S$  be a G-semigroup and  $T$  an oversemigroup of  $S$ . Then  $T$  is a G-semigroup.

Let  $S$  be a g-monoid,  $X$  an indeterminate and  $S[X] = \{s + nX \mid s \in S, n \in \mathbf{Z}_0\}$ . We call  $S[X]$  the polynomial semigroup of  $X$  over  $S$ .

20. If a g-monoid  $S$  is a group, then  $S[X]$  is a G-semigroup.

Let  $S \subset T$  be g-monoids and  $u \in T$ . Then  $u$  is called algebraic over  $S$ , if there exists  $s \in S$  and  $n \in \mathbf{N}$  such that  $s + nu \in S$ . If  $u$  is not algebraic over  $S$ ,  $u$  is called transcendental over  $S$ .  $T$  is called algebraic over  $S$  if all its elements are algebraic over  $S$ .

**Proposition 21.** Let  $S \subset T$  be g-monoids. Assume that  $T$  is algebraic over  $S$  and finitely generated as a g-monoid over  $S$ . Then  $S$  is a G-semigroup if and only if  $T$  is a G-semigroup.

**Proof.** Let  $G, G_1$  be quotient groups of  $S, T$  respectively. Assume that  $S$  is a G-semigroup, say  $G = S[-u]$  (for  $u \in S$ ). Let  $f \in T[-u]$ . Then we can take  $n \in \mathbf{N}, g \in G$  such that  $nf = g$ . Then  $-f = (n-1)f - g \in T[-u]$ . Hence  $T[-u]$  is a group, and hence  $T$  is a G-semigroup. Assume that  $T$  is a G-semigroup,  $G_1 = T[-v]$  (for  $v \in T$ ) and  $T = S[w_1, \dots, w_k]$  (for

$w_i \in T$ ). Since  $T$  is algebraic over  $S$ , we have  $a+mv = s$  and  $s_i+m_iw_i \in S$  for some  $a, s \in S$  and  $m, m_i \in \mathbf{N}$ . Let  $S_1 = S[-s, -s_1, \dots, -s_k]$ . Then  $G_1 = S_1[-v, w_1, \dots, w_k]$ . Since  $-v, w_1, \dots, w_k$  are integral over  $S_1$ ,  $G_1$  is integral over  $S_1$ . By 15,  $S_1$  is a group. Hence  $G = S_1$ , and therefore  $S$  is a G-semigroup.

**Proposition 22.** Let  $S \subset T$  be g-monoids and  $u \in T$ . If  $S[u]$  is a G-semigroup, then  $S$  is a G-semigroup.

**Proof.** Let  $G, G'$  be quotient groups of  $S, S[u]$  respectively. Since  $S[u]$  is a G-semigroup,  $G' = S[u, -v]$  for  $v \in S[u]$ . Let  $-v = g + ku$  for  $g \in G$  and  $k \in \mathbf{Z}$ . Then  $G' = S[u, g, ku]$ .

(i) Assume that  $u$  is transcendental over  $S$ . Take any element  $g_1 \in G$ . We have  $g_1 = s + n_1u + n_2g + n_3ku = s + (n_1 + n_3k)u + n_2g$  (for  $n_1, n_2, n_3 \in \mathbf{Z}_0$ ). By the hypothesis,  $n_1 + n_3k = 0$ . Therefore  $G = S[g]$ .

(ii) Assume that  $u$  is algebraic over  $S$ . Then  $S$  is a G-semigroup by Proposition 21.

**23.** Let  $S \subset T$  be g-monoids and  $u \in T$ . Assume that  $S[u]$  is a G-semigroup. Then  $u$  is not necessarily algebraic over  $S$ .

For example, assume that  $S$  is a group and  $X$  an indeterminate. Then  $X$  is transcendental over  $S$ , but  $S[X]$  is a G-semigroup.

**24.** Let  $S$  be a g-monoid and  $N$  a maximal ideal of  $S[X]$ . If  $S$  is a group, then  $N \cap S = \emptyset$ . If  $S$  is not a group, then  $N \cap S \neq \emptyset$ .

**Proof.** If  $S$  is a group, then  $N = S + NX$ . Hence  $N \cap S = \emptyset$ . If  $S$  is not a group, then we can take a maximal ideal  $M$  of  $S$ . Then  $N = M \cup (S + NX)$ , and therefore  $N \cap S \neq \emptyset$ .

Let  $T$  be an additively closed set in a g-monoid  $S$ . We define  $S_T$  as  $S_T = \{s - t \mid s \in S, t \in T\}$ . Let  $I$  be an ideal of  $S$ . We write  $I_T$  for  $I + S_T$ . Let  $P$  be a prime ideal of  $S$ . We write  $S_P$  for  $S_{S-P}$ .

25. Let  $T$  be an additively closed set in a g-monoid  $S$ . Then there is a one-to-one order-preserving correspondence between prime ideals of  $S_T$  and prime ideals of  $S$  disjoint from  $T$ .

25 implies the following,

26. Let  $P$  be a prime ideal of a g-monoid  $S$ . Then there is a one-to-one order-preserving correspondence between prime ideals of  $S_P$  and prime ideals of  $S$  contained in  $P$ .

25 implies the following too,

27. Let  $S$  be a g-monoid with quotient group  $G$ , and  $X$  an indeterminate. Then there is a one-to-one correspondence between prime ideals of  $S[X]$  disjoint from  $S$  and prime ideals of  $G[X]$ .

**Proposition 28.** Let  $S$  be a g-monoid. Then there cannot exist in  $S[X]$  a chain of three distinct prime ideals with the same contracted ideal in  $S$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that there exists in  $S[X]$  a chain of three distinct prime ideals  $Q_1 \subsetneq Q_2 \subsetneq Q_3$  with the same contraction  $P$  in  $S$ . Take  $f \in Q_2 - Q_1$ . Then  $f = s + nX$  for  $s \in S, n \in \mathbb{Z}_0$ . If  $nX \notin Q_2$ , then  $f \in Q_1$  for  $s \in P$ ; a contradiction. Hence  $X \in Q_2$ . Take  $g \in Q_3 - Q_2$ , say  $g = s' + n'X$  for  $s' \in S, n' \in \mathbb{Z}_0$ . If  $n' = 0$ , then  $g = s' \in P \subset Q_1$ ; a contradiction. Therefore  $n' \geq 1$ . Then  $g = s' + n'X \in Q_2$ ; a contradiction.

Let  $P = P_1 \supsetneq \cdots \supsetneq P_n$  be a chain of prime ideals of a g-monoid  $S$ . Then  $n - 1$  is called the length of the chain. Let  $k$  be the supremum of lengths of all chains of prime ideals of  $S$ . Then  $k + 1$  is called the dimension of  $S$ , and is denoted by  $\dim(S)$ . Let  $l$  be the supremum of lengths of all chains of prime ideals  $P = P_1 \supsetneq \cdots \supsetneq P_n$ . Then  $l + 1$  is called the height of  $P$ , and is denoted by  $\text{ht}(P)$ .

Let  $I$  be an ideal of  $S$ . Then we write  $I^*$  for  $I + S[X]$ .

29. Let  $S$  be a g-monoid and  $Q$  a prime ideal of  $S[X]$ . If  $Q \cap S = \emptyset$ , then  $Q = (X)$ .

**Proof.** Take any  $f \in Q$ , say  $f = s + nX$  (for  $s \in S, n \in \mathbf{Z}_0$ ). If  $n = 0$ , then  $f = s \in S$ ; a contradiction. Hence  $n \geq 1$ , and therefore  $f \in (X)$ , that is,  $Q \subset (X)$ . Since  $s \notin Q$ , we have  $nX \in Q$ , that is,  $X \in Q$ . Therefore  $Q = (X)$ .

By 29, for every prime ideal  $P$  of  $S$  of height 1,  $P^*$  has height 1.

Assume that, for every prime ideals  $P \supsetneq N$  in  $S$  with no prime ideals properly between  $P$  and  $N$ , there cannot exist a prime ideal  $Q$  of  $S[X]$  such that  $P^* \supsetneq Q \supsetneq N^*$ . Then  $S$  is called a strong S-semigroup.

**Proposition 30.** Let  $S$  be a strong S-semigroup,  $P$  a prime ideal of height  $n$  in  $S$ , and  $Q$  a prime ideal of  $S[X]$  that contracts to  $P$  in  $S$  and contains  $P^*$  properly. Then  $\text{ht}(P^*) = n$  and  $\text{ht}(Q) = n + 1$ .

**Proof.** Let  $P = P_1 \supsetneq \cdots \supsetneq P_n$  be a chain of prime ideals of  $S$ . Then we have the chain of prime ideals  $Q \supsetneq P_1^* \supsetneq \cdots \supsetneq P_n^*$  in  $S[X]$ . It follows that  $\text{ht}(P^*) \geq n$  and  $\text{ht}(Q) \geq n + 1$ . We prove that  $\text{ht}(P^*) \leq n$  and  $\text{ht}(Q) \leq n + 1$  by induction on  $n$ .

(i)  $n = 1$ : We have  $\text{ht}(P^*) = 1$ . Assume that  $\text{ht}(Q) > 2$ . Then we can take a chain of prime ideals  $Q = Q_1 \supsetneq Q_2 \supsetneq Q_3$ . By 29,  $Q_2 \cap S = P$ . By 28,  $Q_2 = P^*$ , and hence  $\text{ht}(P^*) > 1$ ; a contradiction. Therefore  $\text{ht}(Q) = 2$ .

(ii) Suppose that  $n > 1$  and the result is true for  $n - 1$ . Assume that  $\text{ht}(P^*) > n$ . Then there exists a prime ideal  $Q_n$  of  $S[X]$  such that  $P^* \supsetneq Q_n$  and  $\text{ht}(Q_n) = n$ . By 29, we have  $Q_n \cap S \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $P_n$  be the contraction of  $Q_n$  to  $S$ .  $P_n$  is properly contained in  $P$ . Let  $\text{ht}(P_n) = m$ . Then  $m < n$ . If  $Q_n \supsetneq P_n^*$ , then  $\text{ht}(Q_n) = m + 1$  by the induction hypothesis. Hence there are no prime ideals properly between  $P$  and  $P_n$ , and then  $S$  is not a strong S-semigroup; a contradiction. Therefore  $Q_n = P_n^*$ . Continuing this work we can make a chain of prime ideals of length  $n - 1$  descending from  $P_n$ ; a contradiction. Therefore  $\text{ht}(P^*) = n$ . Assume that  $\text{ht}(Q) > n + 1$ . Then there exists a prime ideal  $Q_{n+1}$  such that  $Q \supsetneq Q_{n+1}$

and  $\text{ht}(Q_{n+1}) = n + 1$ . Let  $Q_{n+1} \cap S = P_{n+1}$  and  $\text{ht}(P_{n+1}) = m$ . By the hypothesis,  $n > m$ . If  $Q_{n+1} \not\supseteq P_{n+1}^*$ , then  $\text{ht}(Q_{n+1}) = m + 1$ , that is,  $n = m$ ; a contradiction. Hence  $Q_{n+1} = P_{n+1}^*$ . Then  $n + 1 = m$ ; a contradiction. Therefore  $\text{ht}(Q) = n + 1$ .

**31.** Let  $S \subset T \subset \Gamma$  be g-monoids and  $u$  an element of  $\Gamma$ . Suppose that  $u$  is integral over  $T$  and that  $T$  is integral over  $S$ . Then  $u$  is integral over  $S$ .

Let  $S \subset T$  be g-monoids. We may list four properties that might hold for a pair  $S, T$ .

Lying over (LO): For any prime ideal  $P$  of  $S$  there exists a prime ideal  $Q$  of  $T$  with  $Q \cap S = P$ .

Going up (GU): (i) (LO) holds, and (ii) Given prime ideals  $P_0 \subset P$  of  $S$  and  $Q_0$  of  $T$  with  $Q_0 \cap S = P_0$ , there exists a prime ideal  $Q$  of  $T$  satisfying  $Q_0 \subset Q$  and  $Q \cap S = P$ .

Going down (GD): Given prime ideals  $P \supset P_0$  of  $S$  and  $Q$  of  $T$  with  $Q \cap S = P$ , there exists a prime ideal  $Q_0$  of  $T$  satisfying  $Q \supset Q_0$  and  $Q_0 \cap S = P_0$ .

Incomparable (INC): (i) If  $Q$  is a prime ideal of  $T$ , then  $Q \cap S \neq \emptyset$ , and (ii) Two different prime ideals of  $T$  with the same contracted ideal of  $S$  cannot be comparable.

**32.** The following two conditions are equivalent for g-monoids  $S \subset T$ :

(a) (GU) holds.

(b) (LO) holds. And if  $P$  is a prime ideal of  $S$ ,  $J$  is the complement of  $P$  in  $S$ , and  $Q$  is an ideal of  $T$  maximal with respect to the exclusion of  $J$ , then  $Q \cap S = P$ .

**Proof.** (a)  $\implies$  (b): Let  $Q$  be maximal with respect to the exclusion of  $J$ . By 1,  $Q$  is a prime ideal of  $T$ . We have to prove  $Q \cap S = P$ .  $Q$  lies over the prime ideal  $Q \cap S$  of  $S$ , and (GU) permits us to expand  $Q$  to a prime ideal  $Q_1$  of  $T$  lying over  $P$ . By the maximality of  $Q$ , we have  $Q = Q_1$ .

(b)  $\implies$  (a): Let  $P_0 \subset P$  be prime ideals of  $S$ . Suppose that a prime ideal  $Q_0$  of  $T$  contracts to  $P_0$  in  $S$ . Then  $Q_0$  is disjoint from  $J$ . Expand

it to  $Q$ , maximal with respect to the exclusion of  $J$ . By the hypothesis,  $Q \cap S = P$ , proving (GU).

**33.** The following conditions are equivalent for  $g$ -monoids  $S \subset T$ :

(a) (INC) holds.

(b) For any prime ideal  $Q$  of  $T$ , we have  $Q \cap S \neq \emptyset$ . And if  $P$  is a prime ideal of  $S$ , and  $Q$  is a prime ideal of  $T$  contracting to  $P$  in  $S$ , then  $Q$  is maximal with respect to the exclusion of  $J$ , the complement of  $P$  in  $S$ .

**Proof.** (a) $\implies$ (b): Let  $Q_1$  be a prime ideal of  $T$  disjoint from  $J$ . If  $Q_1$  properly contains  $Q$ , then  $Q_1 \cap S = P$ ; a contradiction. Therefore  $Q$  is maximal with respect to the exclusion of  $J$ .

(b) $\implies$ (a): Let  $P$  be a prime ideal of  $S$ , and let  $Q$  be a prime ideal of  $T$  that contracts to  $P$  in  $S$ . Suppose that there exists a prime ideal  $Q'$  of  $T$  such that  $Q' \cap S = P$ . By the hypothesis,  $Q$  and  $Q'$  are incomparable.

**Proposition 34.** Let  $S \subset T$  be  $g$ -monoids with  $T$  integral over  $S$ . Then the pair  $S, T$  satisfies (INC) and (GU).

**Proof.** (GU): Let  $P$  be a prime ideal of  $S$ ,  $J$  the exclusion of  $P$  in  $S$ , and  $Q$  an ideal of  $T$  maximal with respect to the exclusion of  $J$ . Then  $(P + T) \cap S = P$ . Suppose that  $Q \cap S \neq P$ . Then there exists  $u \in P$  such that  $u \notin Q \cap S$ . The ideal  $(Q, u)$  is properly larger than  $Q$ . Take  $j \in (Q, u) \cap J$ . We can write  $j = t + u$  for  $t \in T$ . There exists  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $mt \in S$ . Then  $mj = mt + mu \in P$ , and hence  $j \in P$ ; a contradiction. Therefore  $Q \cap S = P$ . By 32, (GU) holds.

(INC): Let  $P$  be a prime ideal of  $S$ ,  $Q$  a prime ideal of  $T$  contracting to  $P$  in  $S$  and  $J = S - P$ . We show that  $Q$  is maximal with respect to the exclusion of  $J$ . Suppose on the contrary that  $Q$  is properly contained in an ideal  $I$  with  $I \cap J$  void. Pick  $v \in I - Q$ . There exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $nv \in S$ . Since  $I \cap J = \emptyset$ ,  $nv$  lies in  $P$ . Then  $v \in Q$ ; a contradiction. By 33, (INC) holds.

**35.** Assume that  $g$ -monoids  $S \subset T$  satisfy (INC). Let  $P, Q$  be prime ideals of  $S, T$  respectively with  $Q \cap S = P$ . Then  $\text{ht}(Q) \leq \text{ht}(P)$ .

Let  $S$  be a g-monoid and  $P$  a prime ideal of  $S$ . Let  $m$  be the supremum of lengths of all chains of prime ideals  $P = P_1 \subsetneq \cdots \subsetneq P_n$ . Then  $m$  is called the depth of  $P$ , and is denoted by  $\text{depth}(P)$ .

**36.** Assume that g-monoids  $S \subset T$  satisfy (GU). Let  $P$  be a prime ideal of  $S$  of height  $n < \infty$ . Then there exists in  $T$  a prime ideal  $Q$  lying over  $P$  and having height  $\geq n$ . If, further, (INC) holds, then  $\text{ht}(Q) = n$ .

**37.** Assume that g-monoids  $S \subset T$  satisfy (GU) and (INC). Let  $Q$  be a prime ideal of  $T$  and  $P = Q \cap S$ . Then  $\text{depth}(P) = \text{depth}(Q)$ .

37 implies the following,

**38.** Assume that g-monoids  $S \subset T$  satisfy (GU) and (INC). Then the dimension of  $T$  equals to the dimension of  $S$ .

Let  $a, b$  be elements in a g-monoid  $S$ . An element  $z \in S$  is called a common divisor of  $a$  and  $b$ , if  $z$  divides  $a$  and  $b$ . An element  $x \in S$  is called a greatest common divisor of  $a$  and  $b$ , if  $x$  is a common divisor of  $a$  and  $b$ , and  $(x) \subset (y)$  for any common divisor  $y$  of  $a$  and  $b$ . The greatest common divisor of  $a$  and  $b$  is denoted by  $\text{GCD}(a, b)$ . A g-monoid  $S$  is called a GCD-semigroup if any two elements in  $S$  have a greatest common divisor.

**Proposition 39.** Let  $S$  be a GCD-semigroup. Then,

- (1)  $\text{GCD}(a + b, a + c) = a + \text{GCD}(b, c)$ .
- (2)  $\text{GCD}(a, b) = d$  implies  $\text{GCD}(a - d, b - d) = 0$ .
- (3)  $\text{GCD}(a, b) = \text{GCD}(a, c) = 0$  implies  $\text{GCD}(a, b + c) = 0$ .

**Proof.** (1) Let  $\text{GCD}(a + b, a + c) = x$ . Then  $a$  divides  $x$ , say  $x = a + y$ . Then  $y$  divides  $b$  and  $c$ . If  $z$  divides  $b$  and  $c$ , then  $a + z$  divides  $a + b$  and  $a + c$ . Thus  $a + z$  divides  $x = a + y$ , and hence  $z$  divides  $y$ . It follows that  $\text{GCD}(b, c) = y$ , and  $\text{GCD}(a + b, a + c) = a + \text{GCD}(b, c)$ .

(3) Suppose that  $t$  divides  $a$  and  $b + c$ . Then  $t$  divides  $a + b$  and  $b + c$ . Hence  $t$  divides  $\text{GCD}(a + b, b + c)$ , which is  $b$  by (1). Therefore  $t$  divides

$a$  and  $b$ , and hence  $t = 0$ .

**Proposition 40.** A GCD-semigroup  $S$  is integrally closed.

**Proof.** Suppose that  $u \in q(S)$  and that  $nu \in S$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . We can write  $u = s_1 - s_2$  for  $s_1, s_2 \in S$ . Let  $\text{GCD}(s_1, s_2) = r$ . Then we have  $\text{GCD}(s_1 - r, s_2 - r) = 0$  by (2) of Proposition 39. Therefore we may assume that  $\text{GCD}(s_1, s_2) = 0$ . Now  $ns_1 = s + (n - 1)s_2 + s_2$ . It follows that  $s_2$  is a unit because  $\text{GCD}(ns_1, s_2) = 0$  by (3) of Proposition 39. Hence  $u \in S$ , and therefore  $S$  is integrally closed.

41. If  $S$  is integrally closed and if  $T$  an additively closed set in  $S$ , then  $S_T$  is integrally closed.

42. Let  $S_i$  be a family of g-monoids all contained in one large g-monoid. Suppose that each  $S_i$  is integrally closed and  $\bigcap S_i \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $\bigcap S_i$  is integrally closed.

Let  $S$  be a g-monoid,  $A$  an  $S$ -module and  $I$  an ideal in  $S$  with  $I + A \neq A$ . Set  $Z(A/(I + A)) = \{s \in S \mid s + a \in I + A \text{ for some } a \in A - (I + A)\}$ .

43. Let  $S$  be a g-monoid and  $I$  a proper ideal of  $S$ . Then  $Z(S/I)$  is a prime ideal.

**Proof.** Assume that  $s_1 + s_2 \in Z(S/I)$  for  $s_1, s_2 \in S$ . Then we can take  $y \notin I$  satisfying  $s_1 + s_2 + y \in I$ . If  $s_1 \notin Z(S/I)$ , then  $s_2 + y \in I$ . Hence  $s_2 \in Z(S/I)$ , and therefore  $Z(S/I)$  is a prime ideal.

**Theorem 44.** Let  $S$  be a g-monoid. Then  $S = \bigcap \{S_P \mid P \text{ ranges over all } Z(S/I) \text{ for all proper principal ideals } I \text{ of } S\}$ .

**Proof.** Take  $u \in \bigcap S_P$ , say  $u = s - t$  for  $s, t \in S$ . Let  $I = (t : s)_S$ . If  $I = S$ , then  $s \in (t)$ . Then  $u \in S$ . If  $I \neq S$ , then  $s \notin (t)$ . Let  $P = Z(S/(t))$ . We can write  $u = s - t = s_1 - t_1$  for  $s_1 \in S, t_1 \in S - P$ . Then

$s + t_1 = s_1 + t \in (t)$ . Hence  $t_1 \in P$  for  $s \notin (t)$ ; a contradiction. Therefore  $S = \bigcap S_P$ .

**Theorem 45.** The following conditions are equivalent for  $S$ .

- (1)  $S$  is integrally closed.
- (2) Let  $I$  be any proper principal ideal of  $S$  and  $P = Z(S/I)$ . Then  $S_P$  is integrally closed.

**Proof.** (2)  $\implies$  (1): By 42,  $\bigcap \{S_P \mid P \text{ ranges over all } Z(S/I) \text{ for all proper principal ideals } I \text{ of } S\}$  is integrally closed. By Theorem 44,  $S = \bigcap S_P$ . Therefore  $S$  is integrally closed.

Let  $S \subset T$  be g-monoids and let  $I$  be an ideal of  $S$ . Then  $I$  is called to survive in  $T$  if  $I + T \neq T$ .

**Proposition 46.** Let  $S \subset T$  be g-monoids,  $u$  a unit in  $T$  and  $I$  a proper ideal of  $S$ . Then  $I$  survives either in  $S[u]$  or in  $S[-u]$ .

**Proof.** Suppose the contrary. Then we have  $I + S[u] = S[u]$  and  $I + S[-u] = S[-u]$ , and hence  $i_1 + n_1u = 0$  and  $i_2 - n_2u = 0$  (for  $i_1, i_2 \in I, n_1, n_2 \in \mathbb{Z}_0$ ). Then we have  $n_2i_1 + n_1n_2u = 0$  and  $n_1i_2 - n_1n_2u = 0$ . It follows that  $n_2i_1 + n_1i_2 = 0$ . Hence  $I = S$ ; a contradiction.

Let  $G$  be a torsion-free abelian group, and  $\Gamma$  a totally ordered abelian group. A homomorphism  $v$  of  $G$  to  $\Gamma$  is called a valuation on  $G$ . The subsemigroup  $\{x \in G \mid v(x) \geq 0\}$  of  $G$  is called the valuation semigroup of  $G$  associated with  $v$ . Let  $T$  be an oversemigroup of  $S$ . If  $T$  is a valuation semigroup of  $q(S)$ , then  $T$  is called a valuation oversemigroup of  $S$ .

**47** ([5, Lemma 10]).  $S$  is a valuation semigroup if and only if  $\alpha \in S$  or  $-\alpha \in S$  for each  $\alpha \in q(S)$ .

**Proposition 48.** Let  $G$  be a group,  $S$  a subsemigroup of  $G$  and  $I$  a proper ideal of  $S$ . Then there exists a valuation semigroup  $V$  of  $G$  such that  $I$  survives in  $V$ .

**Proof.** Consider all pairs  $(S_\alpha, I_\alpha)$ , where  $S_\alpha$  is a semigroup between  $S$  and  $G$ , and  $I_\alpha$  is a proper ideal of  $S_\alpha$  with  $I \subset I_\alpha$ . If  $S_\alpha \supset S_\beta$  and  $I_\alpha \supset I_\beta$ , we set  $(S_\alpha, I_\alpha) \geq (S_\beta, I_\beta)$ . Zorn's lemma is applicable to yield a maximal pair  $(V, J)$ . We prove that if  $u \in G$  then either  $u$  or  $-u$  lies in  $V$ . Suppose the contrary. By Proposition 46,  $J$  survives in  $V[u]$  or in  $V[-u]$ ; a contradiction to the maximality of the pair  $(V, J)$ . Therefore  $V$  is a valuation semigroup of  $G$  by 47.

**Proposition 49.** Let  $S$  be an integrally closed semigroup with quotient group  $G$ . Then  $S = \bigcap V_\alpha$  where the  $V_\alpha$ 's are valuation oversemigroups of  $S$ .

**Proof.** Take  $y \in \bigcap V_\alpha$ . Suppose that  $y \notin S$ , write  $y = -u$ . By 14,  $-u \notin S[u]$ , that is,  $u + S[u] \neq S[u]$ . Then we can enlarge  $S[u]$  to a valuation oversemigroup  $V$  of  $S$  in such a way that  $u + S[u]$  survives in  $V$  by Proposition 48. Then  $y \notin V$ ; a contradiction.

Let  $S$  be a g-monoid with quotient group  $G$ , and  $I$  a non-empty subset of  $G$ . We say that  $I$  is a fractional ideal of  $S$  if

- (i)  $S + I \subset I$ .
- (ii) There exists  $s \in S$  such that  $s + I \subset S$ .

For a fractional ideal  $I$  of  $S$ , let  $I^{-1}$  be the set of all  $x \in G$  with  $x + I \subset S$ . Then  $I^{-1}$  is a fractional ideal of  $S$ . We say that  $I$  is invertible if  $I + I^{-1} = S$ .

**Proposition 50.** Any invertible fractional ideal  $I$  of a g-monoid  $S$  is principal.

**Proof.** By the hypothesis, we have  $I + I^{-1} = S$ . Then we can take  $a \in I, b \in I^{-1}$  such that  $a + b = 0$ . If  $x \in I$ , then  $x = x + a + b \in (a)$ . Hence  $I = (a)$ .

**51.** Let  $I$  be an invertible ideal of a g-monoid  $S$  and  $T$  an additively closed set in  $S$ . Then  $I_T$  is an invertible ideal of  $S_T$ .

**Proposition 52.** Let  $S$  be a g-monoid. Then the following conditions are equivalent.

- (1)  $S$  is a valuation semigroup.
- (2) Every finitely generated ideal of  $S$  is principal.

**Proof.** (2) $\implies$ (1): Take any elements  $a_1, a_2 \in S$ . Let  $I = (a_1, a_2)$ . By the hypothesis, we can write  $I = (a)$  for  $a \in S$ . Then  $a_1 = s_1 + a$  and  $a_2 = s_2 + a$  for  $s_1, s_2 \in S$ . We may assume that  $a \in (a_1)$ . Write  $a = s'_1 + a_1$  for  $s'_1 \in S$ . Then  $a_1 = s_1 + s'_1 + a_1$ , and we have  $s_1 + s'_1 = 0$ . Therefore  $a_1$  divides  $a_2$ . By 47,  $S$  is a valuation semigroup.

By Proposition 52, we have the following,

**53.** If  $S$  is a valuation semigroup, then for every prime ideal  $P$  of  $S$ ,  $S_P$  is a valuation semigroup.

**Proposition 54.** Let  $S$  be a valuation semigroup, and  $V$  a valuation oversemigroup of  $S$ . Then  $V = S_P$  for some prime ideal  $P$  of  $S$ .

**Proof.** Let  $N$  be a maximal ideal of  $V$  and set  $P = N \cap S$ . We have  $S_P \subset V$ . By 53,  $S_P$  is a valuation semigroup. Suppose that  $V \neq S_P$ . Then we can take  $v \in V - S_P$ . We have  $-v \in S_P$ , say  $-v = a - s'$  (for  $a \in S, s' \in S - P$ ). If  $a \notin P$ , then  $s' - a = v \in S_P$ ; a contradiction. If  $a \in P$ , then  $a \in N$ . Hence  $a + v = s' \in P$ ; a contradiction. Therefore  $V = S_P$ .

**Proposition 55.** Let  $G$  be a group and  $X$  an indeterminate. Let  $V$  be a valuation semigroup of  $q(G[X])$  with  $V \neq q(G[X])$ . If  $V$  contains  $G$  properly, then  $V = G[X]$  or  $V = G[-X]$ .

**Proof.** Either  $X$  or  $-X$  lies in  $V$ . If  $X \in V$ , then  $V = G[X]$ . If  $X \notin V$ , then  $V = G[-X]$ .

**56.** Let  $S$  be an integrally closed semigroup with quotient group  $G$ ,

and let  $u$  be an element of  $G$ . Assume that  $u_1 + nu = 0$  for a unit  $u_1$  of  $S$  and  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ . Then  $u \in S$ .

57. Any  $g$ -monoid  $S$  is a strong  $S$ -semigroup.

**Proof.** Let  $P \supsetneq Q$  be prime ideals of  $S$ . Suppose that there are no prime ideals properly between  $P$  and  $Q$ . Let  $P^* \supsetneq N \supsetneq Q^*$  be prime ideals of  $S[X]$ . Take  $f \in N - Q^*$ , say  $f = a + nX$ . Since  $X \notin P^*$ , we have  $a \in N$ . Then  $a \in N \cap S = Q$ , and hence  $f = a + nX \in Q^*$ ; a contradiction.

58. Let  $S$  be a  $g$ -monoid and  $I, J$  be ideals of  $S[X]$ . Set  $I_n = \{s \in S \mid s + nX \in I\}$  and  $J_n = \{s' \in S \mid s' + nX \in J\}$  (for  $n \in \mathbf{Z}_0$ ). Then,

(1) If  $I \subset J$ , then  $I_n \subset J_n$  (for  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ).

(2) If  $I \subset J$  and  $I_n = J_n$  (for  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ), then  $I = J$ .

**Theorem 59.** If  $S$  is a Noetherian semigroup, then so is  $S[X]$ .

**Proof.** Let  $I_0 \subset I_1 \subset \dots$  be ideals of  $S[X]$  and  $I_{ij} = \{a \in S \mid a + jX \in I_i\}$  ( $i, j \in \mathbf{Z}_0$ ). Then each  $I_{ij}$  is an ideal of  $S$ . By the hypothesis, there exists  $m \in \mathbf{Z}_0$  such that  $I_{mj} = I_{(m+1)j} = \dots$  for any  $j$ . By 58, we have  $I_0 \subset I_1 \subset \dots \subset I_m = I_{m+1} = \dots$ , and hence  $S[X]$  is a Noetherian semigroup.

60. Let  $A$  be an  $S$ -module, and  $A_1, A_2$  be submodules of  $A$  satisfying  $A = A_1 \cup A_2$ . If  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  satisfy the ascending chain condition on  $S$ -submodules, then so does  $A$ .

**Proof.** Let  $D_1 \subset D_2 \subset \dots$  be an ascending chain of submodules in  $A$ . If each  $D_i$  is contained in  $A_1$  or in  $A_2$ , then the chain must stop. If there exists  $i$  such that  $D_i \not\subset A_1$  and  $D_i \not\subset A_2$ , then we may assume that  $D_1 \cap A_1 \neq \emptyset$  and  $D_1 \cap A_2 \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $D_1 \cap A_1 \subset D_2 \cap A_1 \subset \dots$  forms an ascending chain of submodules in  $A_1$ . Since  $A_1$  satisfies the ascending chain condition, there exists  $m \in \mathbf{N}$  such that  $D_m \cap A_1 = D_{m+1} \cap A_1 = \dots$ . Similarly we can take  $n \in \mathbf{N}$  such that  $D_n \cap A_2 = D_{n+1} \cap A_2 = \dots$ . Let  $l = \max(m, n)$ . Then  $D_1 \subset \dots \subset D_l = D_{l+1} = \dots$ . Therefore  $A$  satisfies

the ascending chain condition on submodules.

**61.** Let  $S$  be a Noetherian semigroup, and  $A$  a finitely generated  $S$ -module. Then  $A$  satisfies the ascending chain condition on  $S$ -submodules.

**Proof.** By 60, it suffices to prove in the case of  $A = S + a$  for  $a \in A$ . Let  $A_1 \subset A_2 \subset \dots$  be submodules of  $A$  and  $M_i = \{s \in S \mid s + a \in A_i\}$ . Then  $A_i = M_i + a$  for each  $i$ . By the hypothesis, we can take  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $M_1 \subset M_2 \subset \dots \subset M_m = M_{m+1} = \dots$ . Hence  $A_1 \subset A_2 \subset \dots \subset A_m = A_{m+1} = \dots$ , and therefore  $A$  satisfies the ascending chain condition.

Let  $I$  be an ideal of a  $g$ -monoid  $S$ . We define  $nI$  as  $nI = \{x_1 + \dots + x_n \mid x_i \in I\}$ .

**62.** Let  $S$  be a Noetherian semigroup,  $I$  an ideal of  $S$ ,  $A$  a finitely generated  $S$ -module, and  $B$  a submodule of  $A$ . Let  $C$  be a submodule of  $A$  which contains  $I + B$  and is maximal with respect to the property  $C \cap B = I + B$ . Then  $nI + A \subset C$  for some  $n$ .

**Proof.** Since  $I$  is finitely generated, it suffices to prove that, for any  $x$  in  $I$ , there exists  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $mx + A \subset C$ . Define  $D_r$  to be the submodule of  $A$  consisting of all  $a \in A$  with  $rx + a \in C$ . The submodules  $D_r$  form an ascending chain of submodules. By 60, it must become stable, say at  $r = m$ . We prove that  $((mx + A) \cup C) \cap B = I + B$ . Let  $t \in ((mx + A) \cup C) \cap B$ . Then we have  $t \in mx + A$  or  $t \in C$ . If  $t \in C$ , then  $t \in I + B$ . If  $t \in mx + A$ , then we can write  $t = mx + a$  for  $a \in A$ . Then  $(m + 1)x + a \in C$ , for  $x + t \in x + B \subset I + B \subset C$ . We have  $mx + a \in C$ , that is,  $t \in C$  since  $D_m = D_{m+1}$ . Thus  $t \in C \cap B = I + B$ . Hence  $((mx + A) \cup C) \cap B = I + B$ . By the maximality of  $C$ , we have  $mx + A \subset C$ .

**Proposition 63.** Let  $S$  be a Noetherian semigroup,  $I$  an ideal of  $S$  and  $A$  a finitely generated  $S$ -module. Suppose that  $B = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} (nI + A) \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $I + B = B$ .

**Proof.** Among all submodules of  $A$  containing  $I + B$ , pick  $C$  maximal with respect to the property  $C \cap B = I + B$ . By 62, we have  $nI + A \subset C$  for some  $n$ . Since  $B \subset nI + A$ ,  $B$  is contained in  $C$ . Therefore  $B = I + B$ .

Let  $S$  be a g-monoid and  $A$  an  $S$ -module. If  $s_1 + x = s_2 + x$  implies  $s_1 = s_2$  for  $s_1, s_2 \in S$  and  $x \in A$ , then  $A$  is called a cancellative  $S$ -module.

**64.** Let  $S$  be a g-monoid,  $I$  an ideal of  $S$ ,  $A$  a finitely generated cancellative  $S$ -module, and  $x$  an element of  $S$  satisfying  $x + A \subset I + A$ . Then  $mx \in I$  for some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Proof.** Write  $A = \bigcup_{i=1}^n (S + a_i)$  for  $a_i \in A$ . We may assume that  $x + a_1 = i_1 + a_2, x + a_2 = i_2 + a_3, \dots, x + a_m = i_m + a_1$  (for  $i_1, i_2, \dots, i_m \in I$  and  $m \leq n$ ). Then we have  $mx = i_1 + i_2 + \dots + i_m \in I$ .

64 implies the following,

**65.** Let  $S$  be a g-monoid,  $I$  an ideal of  $S$ , and  $A$  a finitely generated cancellative  $S$ -module satisfying  $I + A = A$ . Then  $I = S$ .

**Proposition 66.** Let  $S$  be a Noetherian semigroup,  $I$  a proper ideal of  $S$ , and  $A$  a finitely generated cancellative  $S$ -module. Then  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} (nI + A) = \emptyset$ .

**Proof.** Suppose the contrary. Write  $B = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} (nI + A)$ . Then  $B = I + B$  by Proposition 63. By 65,  $I = S$ ; a contradiction.

By 65, we have the following,

**Theorem 67.** Let  $S$  be a g-monoid with maximal ideal  $M$ , and let  $A$  be a finitely generated cancellative  $S$ -module. Then  $M + A \subsetneq A$ .

**68.** Let  $S$  be a g-monoid with maximal ideal  $M$ ,  $A$  a finitely generated cancellative  $S$ -module, and  $B$  an  $S$ -submodule of  $A$  satisfying  $A \subset B \cup (M + A)$ . Then  $A = B$ .

**Proof.** Let  $A = \bigcup_{i=1}^n (S + a_i)$ . We may assume that  $a_j \notin S + a_i$  for  $i \neq j$ . Suppose that  $A \neq B$ . We can take  $a_j \notin B$ . Then we have  $a_j = x + a_j$  for  $x \in M$ . It follows that  $0 \in M$ ; a contradiction.

**69.** Let  $S$  be a Noetherian semigroup and  $x$  a non-unit of  $S$ . Then  $Z(S/(x))$  is not necessarily of the form  $(x : s)_S$  for  $s \in S$ .

For example, let  $S = \mathbf{Z}_0 \oplus \mathbf{Z}_0$  and  $x = (1, 1)$ . Then  $Z(S/(x))$  is a maximal ideal of  $S$ , and we cannot take  $s \in S$  satisfying  $Z(S/(x)) = (x : s)_S$ .

**70.** Let  $I, P_1, \dots, P_r$  be ideals of a g-monoid  $S$  satisfying  $I \subset P_1 \cup \dots \cup P_r$ . Assume that  $P_1, \dots, P_r$  are prime ideals. Then  $I$  is not necessarily contained in some  $P_i$ .

For example, let  $S = \mathbf{Z}_0 \oplus \mathbf{Z}_0$ ,  $M = ((1, 0), (0, 1))$ ,  $P_1 = ((1, 0))$  and  $P_2 = ((0, 1))$ . Then  $M \subset P_1 \cup P_2$  and  $M \not\subset P_1, M \not\subset P_2$ .

**71.** Let  $S$  be a g-monoid,  $I$  an ideal of  $S$ , and  $T$  an additively closed set in  $S$ . If  $I'$  is an ideal of  $S_T$ , then  $(I' \cap S)_T = I'$ .

By 71, we have the following,

**72.** Let  $S$  be a Noetherian semigroup and  $T$  an additively closed set in  $S$ . Then  $S_T$  is a Noetherian semigroup.

Let  $I$  be an ideal of  $S$ . Set  $\sqrt{I} = \{s \in S \mid ns \in I \text{ for some } n \in \mathbf{N}\}$ . We call  $\sqrt{I}$  the radical of  $I$ . Let  $J$  be an ideal of  $S$  such that  $J = \sqrt{J}$ . Then  $J$  is called a radical ideal of  $S$ .

**Proposition 73.** Let  $S \not\cong \mathbf{q}(S)$  be a g-monoid satisfying the ascending chain condition on radical ideals. Then any radical ideal of  $S$  is the intersection of a finite number of prime ideals.

**Proof.** Suppose the contrary. Let  $\{J_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  be the set of all radi-

cal ideals that cannot be expressed as the intersection of a finite number of prime ideals. Then we can take a radical ideal  $I$  maximal among  $J_\lambda$ 's. Since  $I$  is not a prime ideal, we can pick  $a, b \in S$  satisfying  $a \notin I, b \notin I$  and  $a + b \in I$ . Set  $J = \sqrt{(I, a)}$  and  $K = \sqrt{(I, b)}$ . By the maximality of  $I$ ,  $J$  and  $K$  are intersections of a finite number of prime ideals. We prove that  $I = J \cap K$ . Take  $x \in J \cap K$ . Assume that  $x \notin I$ . Then we can take  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $mx \in (a)$  and  $nx \in (b)$ . By the hypothesis,  $(m+n)x \in I$ . It follows that  $x \in I$ ; a contradiction. Hence  $I = J \cap K$  and therefore  $I$  is expressible as the intersection of a finite number of prime ideals; a contradiction.

73 implies the following,

74. Let  $S$  be a g-monoid satisfying the ascending chain condition on radical ideals, and let  $I$  be an ideal of  $S$ . Then there are only a finite number of prime ideals minimal over  $I$ .

Let  $S$  be a g-monoid, and the  $A_i$  be  $S$ -modules such that  $A = A_1 \supsetneq A_2 \supsetneq \cdots \supsetneq A_n$ . Then  $n - 1$  is called the length of the chain. If the supremum of lengths of all chains of  $S$ -submodules of  $A$  is finite, then  $A$  is called to have finite length.

**Proposition 75.** Let  $S$  be a g-monoid. Then the following three conditions are equivalent.

- (1)  $S$  is a group.
- (2) Any finitely generated  $S$ -module has finite length.
- (3)  $S$  as an  $S$ -module has finite length.

**Proof.** (1) $\implies$ (2): Let  $A = \bigcup_{j=1}^n (S + x_j)$  be a finitely generated  $S$ -module. Let  $A_1$  be any  $S$ -submodule of  $A$ . We may assume that  $x_1, \dots, x_i \in A_1$  and  $x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n \notin A_1$ . It suffices to prove that  $A_1 = \bigcup_{j=1}^i (S + x_j)$ . Take  $a_1 \in A_1$ , say  $a_1 = s + x_j$ . Then  $x_j = a_1 - s \in A_1$ . Hence  $A_1 = \bigcup_{j=1}^i (S + x_j)$ .

(3) $\implies$ (1): Assume that  $S$  is not a group, and let  $M$  be a maximal ideal of  $S$ . Take  $x \in M$ . Then we can make the chain  $S + x \supsetneq S + 2x \supsetneq \cdots$ ;

a contradiction.

Let  $a$  be an element of  $S$  which is not a unit. Assume that  $a = b + c$  (for  $b, c \in S$ ) implies that either  $b$  or  $c$  is a unit of  $S$ . Then  $a$  is called an irreducible element of  $S$ .

**Proposition 76.** The following conditions are equivalent for a  $g$ -monoid  $S$  with maximal ideal  $M$ .

- (1)  $S$  is a Noetherian semigroup of dimension = 1.
- (2) Let  $I$  be any ideal of  $S$ . Then there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that the length of any chain of ideals between  $S$  and  $I$  is less than  $n$ .

**Proof.** (1)  $\implies$  (2): There exist irreducible elements  $x_1, \dots, x_k$  such that  $M = (x_1, \dots, x_k)$ . We may assume that  $I \subset M$ . Let  $M = I_m \supsetneq \dots \supsetneq I_1 \supsetneq I_0 = I$  be a chain of ideals of length  $m$ . There exists a natural number  $h$  such that  $hx_i \in I$  for every  $i$ . Set  $l = h^k$ . Each ideal  $I_i$  is generated by a finite number of elements  $a_1, \dots, a_n$ , and each element  $a_j$  is of the form  $n_1x_1 + \dots + n_kx_k$  up to a unit of  $S$  for  $n_i \geq 0$ . We note that  $hx_i \in I$  for every  $i$ . It follows that  $m \leq l$ .

(2)  $\implies$  (1): Suppose that  $\dim(S) \geq 2$ . Then we can take a chain  $S \supsetneq P_1 \supsetneq P_2$  of prime ideals. Take  $x \in P_1 - P_2$ . Then we can make a chain  $S \supsetneq (P_2, x) \supsetneq (P_2, 2x) \supsetneq \dots \supsetneq P_2$ ; a contradiction. Hence  $\dim(S) = 1$ . Let  $M$  be a maximal ideal in  $S, y \in M$  and  $I = (y)$ . We show that  $M$  is finitely generated. If  $M \supsetneq I$ , we can take  $y_1 \in M - I$  and make  $I_1 = (y, y_1)$ . If  $M \supsetneq I_1$ , we can take  $y_2 \in M - I_1$  and make  $I_2 = (y, y_1, y_2)$ . Continuing this work, we have our result. By Proposition 8,  $S$  is a Noetherian semigroup.

**77.** Let  $S$  be a 1-dimensional  $g$ -monoid, and let  $a$  and  $c$  be elements of  $S$ . Let  $J$  be the set of  $s$  in  $S$  satisfying  $s + na \in (c)$  for some  $n$ . Then  $(J, a) = S$ .

**Proof.** If  $a$  or  $c$  is a unit, the assertion holds. Assume that  $a$  and  $c$  are non-units. Let  $M$  be a maximal ideal of  $S$  and  $I = (c)$ . We have  $\sqrt{I} = M$  since  $\dim(S) = 1$ . Then there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $na \in I$ .

Hence  $(J, a) = S$ .

**78** ([7]). Let  $S$  be a 1-dimensional Noetherian semigroup with quotient group  $G$ , and  $T$  any oversemigroup of  $S$ . Then  $T$  is again Noetherian and  $\dim(T) \leq 1$ .

**79.** Let  $S$  be a Noetherian semigroup and  $I$  a proper ideal of  $S$ . Suppose that there exists  $x \in I$  such that  $I \subset Z(S/(x))$ . Then it is not necessarily true that  $I^{-1} \supseteq S$ .

For example, let  $S = \mathbf{Z}_0 \oplus \mathbf{Z}_0$  and  $x = (1, 1)$ . The prime ideals of  $S$  are  $(y), (z)$  and  $M = (y, z)$  (for  $y = (1, 0), z = (0, 1)$ ). We have  $x \in M$  and  $M \subset Z(S/(x))$ , but  $M^{-1} = S$ .

**80.** Let  $S$  be an integrally closed Noetherian semigroup, and  $M$  a maximal ideal of  $S$ . Suppose that  $M \subset Z(S/(x))$  for some  $x \in M$ . Then  $M$  is not necessarily principal.

For example, let  $S = \mathbf{Z}_0 \oplus \mathbf{Z}_0$  and  $M$  the maximal ideal of  $S$ .  $S$  is an integrally closed Noetherian semigroup. Assume that  $M$  is a principal ideal, say  $M = (x)$ . Put  $y = (1, 0)$ . Then  $P = (y)$  is a prime ideal and  $P \subsetneq M$ . We can write  $y = s + x$  (for  $s \in S$ ). Since  $y$  is a prime element,  $s \in P$ . Write  $s = s' + y$  (for  $s' \in S$ ). Then  $y = s' + y + x$ , that is,  $s' + x = 0$ . Hence  $0 \in M$ ; a contradiction. Therefore  $M$  is not a principal ideal. Let  $z = (1, 1)$ . Then  $M = Z(S/(z))$ .

Let  $G$  be a torsion-free abelian group. A homomorphism of  $G$  onto  $\mathbf{Z}$  is called a discrete valuation (of rank 1) on  $G$ . The valuation semigroup of a discrete valuation (of rank 1) is called a discrete valuation semigroup (of rank 1) (or DVS).

**Proposition 81.** Let  $S$  be a g-monoid which is not a group. Then the following conditions are equivalent.

- (1) Every ideal of  $S$  is principal.
- (2)  $S$  is Noetherian, integrally closed and of dimension 1.

(3)  $S$  is a DVS.

**Proof.** (1)  $\implies$  (2): By Proposition 52,  $S$  is a valuation semigroup. Hence  $S$  is integrally closed.

(2)  $\implies$  (3): By [2].

**82.** Let  $S$  be a DVS and  $M$  a maximal ideal of  $S$ . Then any ideal of  $S$  is of the form  $nM$  uniquely (for  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ ).

**Theorem 83.** Let  $S$  be a DVS with quotient group  $G$ , and  $L \supset G$  a torsion-free abelian group with  $(L : G) < \infty$ . Then the integral closure  $T$  of  $S$  in  $L$  is a DVS.

**Proof.** By the structure theorem of abelian groups, we can take subgroups  $L_0, L_1, \dots, L_m$  of  $G$  with  $G = L_0 \subset L_1 \subset \dots \subset L_m = L$  such that each  $L_{i+1}/L_i$  is a cyclic group of prime order. Let  $T_1$  be the integral closure of  $S$  in  $L_1$ ,  $(L_1 : G) = p$  and  $v$  the valuation on  $G$  with the valuation semigroup  $S$ . Then  $pl$  lies in  $G$  for any  $l \in L_1$ . Let  $w : L_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}^{\frac{1}{p}}$  be the map defined by  $w(l) = \frac{1}{p}v(pl)$ . Then  $w$  is a valuation on  $L_1$ . Let  $T'_1$  be the valuation semigroup of  $w$ . It is enough to show that  $T_1 = T'_1$ . Take  $t \in T'_1$ . Then  $v(pt) \geq 0$  since  $w(t) \geq 0$ . Hence  $pt \in S$  and therefore  $t \in T_1$ . Take  $l \in T_1$ , then  $nl \in S$  for some  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ . It follows that  $w(nl) \geq 0$ , and hence  $w(l) \geq 0$ . We have proved Theorem 83.

**84.** Let  $T$  be a valuation semigroup with quotient group  $G_1$ , let  $G$  be any non-zero subgroup of  $G_1$ , and set  $S = T \cap G$ . Then  $S$  is a valuation semigroup with quotient group  $G$ . The value group of  $S$  is in a natural way a subgroup of that of  $T$ . If  $T$  is a DVS, so is  $S$ .

**Proposition 85.** Let  $S$  be a valuation semigroup with quotient group  $G$ . Let  $L \supset G$  be a torsion-free abelian group which is algebraic over  $G$ , and  $T$  the integral closure of  $S$  in  $L$ . Then  $T$  is a valuation semigroup.

**Proof.** Take  $u \in L$ . There exists  $n \in \mathbf{N}$  such that  $nu = s_1 - s_2$  for  $s_1, s_2 \in S$ . Then  $s_1$  divides  $s_2$  or  $s_2$  divides  $s_1$ . If  $s_1$  divides  $s_2$ , then

$s_2 = s + s_1$  for  $s \in S$ . It follows that  $nu + s + s_1 = s_1$ , and hence  $n(-u) = s \in S$ . Therefore  $-u \in T$ . If  $s_2$  divides  $s_1$ , then  $s_1 = s' + s_2$  for  $s' \in S$ . It follows that  $nu = s' \in S$ . Hence  $u \in T$ . By 47,  $T$  is a valuation semigroup.

**86.** Let  $S$  be a Noetherian semigroup and  $P$  a prime ideal of  $S$ . Assume that  $x \in P \subset Z(S/(x))$ . Then it is not necessarily true that either  $\text{ht}(P) = 1$  or  $S_P$  is a DVS.

For example, set  $S = \mathbf{Z}_0 \oplus \mathbf{Z}_0$ . Let  $P$  be the maximal ideal of  $S$  and let  $x = (1, 1)$ . Then  $x \in P \subset Z(S/(x))$ . But  $\text{ht}(P) \neq 1$  and  $S_P$  is not a DVS.

**87.** If  $S$  is an integrally closed Noetherian semigroup, then  $S = \bigcap S_P$ , where  $P$  ranges over the prime ideals of height 1.

**Proof.** By [2, Proposition 2].

**88.** Let a g-monoid  $S$  be the intersection  $V_1 \cap V_2$  of valuation over-semigroups  $V_1, V_2$  of  $S$ . If  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are not comparable, then  $S$  is not a valuation semigroup.

**Proof.** Suppose that  $S$  is a valuation semigroup. By Proposition 54, we have  $V_1 = S_{P_1}$  and  $V_2 = S_{P_2}$  for some prime ideals  $P_1, P_2$ . Then  $P_1 \supset P_2$  or  $P_1 \subset P_2$ . If  $P_1 \subset P_2$ , then  $S_{P_1} \supset S_{P_2}$ ; a contradiction. If  $P_1 \supset P_2$ , then  $S_{P_1} \subset S_{P_2}$ ; a contradiction. Therefore  $S$  is not a valuation semigroup.

**89** (A counter example for ([3, (22.8)])). Let  $V_1, \dots, V_n$  be valuation semigroups on a group  $G$  such that  $V_i \not\subset V_j$  for  $i \neq j$ , and let  $S = \bigcap V_i$ . Then it is not necessarily true that the center of each valuation semigroup  $V_i$  on  $S$  is a maximal ideal of  $S$ .

For example, let  $H$  be a torsion-free abelian group, and  $G = H \oplus \mathbf{Z}$ . Let  $<_1$  be the usual order on  $\mathbf{Z}$ . Define a mapping  $v : G \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}$  by

$v((h, n)) = n$ , and let  $V$  be the valuation semigroup of  $v$ . Put  $\Gamma = \mathbf{Z}$  and let  $<_2$  be the reverse order on  $\mathbf{Z}$ . Define a mapping  $w : G \rightarrow \Gamma$  by  $w((h, n)) = n$ , and let  $W$  be the valuation semigroup of  $w$ . Then  $S = V \cap W = H \oplus \{0\}$  and  $S \cap Q = \emptyset$  for the maximal ideal  $Q$  of  $V$ .

**90.** Let a  $g$ -monoid  $S$  be the intersection  $V_1 \cap \cdots \cap V_n$ , where the  $V_i$ 's are valuation oversemigroups of  $S$ . Then it is not necessarily true that each  $V_i$  is expressible as the form  $S_{P_i}$  for some prime ideal  $P_i$  of  $S$ .

For example, let  $S$  be a 2-dimensional integrally closed Noetherian semigroup. Let  $M$  be the maximal ideal of  $S$ . Suppose that  $P_1, \dots, P_n$  be all the prime ideals of height 1 in  $S$ . Then  $V_i = S_{P_i}$  is a discrete valuation oversemigroup of  $S$ , and  $S = \bigcap_i V_i$  by 87. On the other hand, there exists a valuation oversemigroup  $W$  of  $S$  such that  $Q \cap S = M$  for the maximal ideals  $Q$  of  $W$  ([5, Lemma 9]). Then  $S = W \cap V_1 \cap \cdots \cap V_n$ . If  $W = S$ , then  $W$  is a DVS. Hence  $\dim(W) = 1$ ; a contradiction.

**91.** Let  $a, b$  be non-units in a 1-dimensional  $g$ -monoid  $S$ . Then  $na$  is divisible by  $b$  for some  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ .

**Proof.** Let  $M$  be the maximal ideal of  $S$ , and  $I = (b)$ . Then  $\sqrt{I} = M$ , for  $\dim(S) = 1$ . There exists  $n \in \mathbf{N}$  such that  $na \in I$ . Hence  $na = s + b$  (for  $s \in S$ ).

**Proposition 92.** Let  $S$  be a  $g$ -monoid satisfying  $S = T_1 \cap T_2$ , where the  $T$ 's are oversemigroups of  $S$ . Let  $Q_1, Q_2$  be maximal ideals of  $T_1, T_2$  respectively, and set  $P_i = Q_i \cap S$ . Assume further that  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are incomparable, and each  $T_i$  is 1-dimensional. Then  $T_i = S_{P_i}$  for  $i = 1, 2$ .

**Proof.** We take an element  $t$  that lies in  $P_2$  but not in  $P_1$ . Let  $x \in T_1$ , and write  $x = y - z$  (for  $y, z \in T_2$ ). If  $z$  is a unit in  $T_2$ , then  $x \in S$ , that is,  $x \in S_{P_1}$ . If  $z$  is non-unit in  $T_2$ , then there exists  $n \in \mathbf{N}$  such that  $z$  divides  $nt$  by 91. Write  $nt = z + z_1$  (for  $z_1 \in T_2$ ), then  $x + nt = y + z_1$ . Since  $nt + x \in T_1$ , we have  $nt + x \in S$ , that is,  $x \in S_{P_1}$ . Take  $a \in S_{P_1}$ , say  $a = s - p$  (for  $s \in S, p \in S - P_1$ ). Then  $p \notin Q_1$  for  $p \notin P_1$ . Hence

$-p \in T_1$ , that is,  $a \in T_1$  and therefore  $T_1 = S_{P_1}$ . Similarly  $T_2 = S_{P_2}$ .

Let  $S = \bigcap T_i$ , where each  $T_i$  is an oversemigroup of  $S$ . Let  $N_i$  be the maximal ideal of  $T_i$ . We say that this representation is locally finite if any element of  $S$  lies in only a finite number of the  $N_i$ 's.

**Proposition 93.** Let a g-monoid  $S$  be a locally finite intersection  $\bigcap T_i$  of 1-dimensional oversemigroups of  $S$ . Let  $Q_i$  be the maximal ideal of  $T_i$ , and  $P_i = Q_i \cap S$ . Let  $N$  be a prime ideal in  $S$ . Then  $N \supset P_i$  for some  $i$ .

**Proof.** Assume the contrary. Let  $x$  be an element of  $N$  and  $P_1, \dots, P_r$  be the finite number of  $P_i$ 's containing  $x$ . Pick  $u_j$  in  $P_j$  but not in  $N$  (for  $j = 1, \dots, r$ ). Since  $T_j$  is 1-dimensional, we have  $n_j u_j = t_j + x$  (for  $t_j \in T_j$ , and for  $n_j \in \mathbb{N}$ ). Let  $u = n_1 u_1 + \dots + n_r u_r$  and  $a = t_1 + \dots + t_r + (r-1)x$ . Then  $u = a + x$ . By the construction,  $a \in T_1 \cap \dots \cap T_r$ . Let  $T_k \notin \{T_1, \dots, T_r\}$ . Then  $a = u - x \in T_k$ . It follows that  $a \in S$ , and hence  $u \in N$ . Therefore  $u_i \in N$  for some  $i$ ; a contradiction.

**Proposition 94.** Suppose in addition to the hypothesis of Proposition 93, that an additively closed set  $Y$  of  $S$  with  $S_Y \subsetneq q(S) = G$  is given. Then  $S_Y$  is a locally finite intersection of the  $T_i$ 's that contain  $S_Y$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that  $S_Y \not\subset T_i$  for each  $i$ . Let  $M_i$  be the maximal ideal of  $W_i$ . Take  $x \in G$ . Let  $W_1, \dots, W_k$  be the finite number of  $T_i$ 's not containing  $x$ . Since  $S_Y \not\subset T_i$ , we can take  $y_i \in Y$  which is a non-unit in  $T_i$ . Let  $I_i = (W_i - x) \cap W_i$ . Then  $I_i$  is an ideal of  $W_i$ . Since  $W_i$  is 1-dimensional,  $\sqrt{I_i} = W_i$  or  $= M_i$ . Then there exists  $n_i \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $n_i y_i \in I_i \subset W_i - x$ . Hence  $n_i y_i + x \in W_i$ . Then  $\sum n_j y_j + x$  lies in each  $W_i$  and in other  $T_j$ 's. Hence  $\sum n_j y_j + x \in S$ . Then  $x \in S_Y$ , that is,  $G = S_Y$ , a contradiction. Therefore  $S_Y \subset T_i$  for some  $i$ . Let us use the subscript  $j$  for a typical  $T_j$  containing  $S_Y$ . To prove  $S_Y = \bigcap T_j$  we take  $x \in \bigcap T_j$  and have to prove  $x \in S_Y$ . Let  $W_1, \dots, W_r$  be the finite number of  $T_i$ 's not containing  $x$ . Then there exists  $y_k \in Y$  with  $-y_k \notin W_k$ . By 91,  $n_k y_k + x \in W_k$  for some  $n_k$ . Then  $\sum n_k y_k + x \in S$  and so  $x \in S_Y$ . The

representation  $S_Y = \bigcap T_j$  is again locally finite.

Let  $S$  be a g-monoid and  $V$  a valuation oversemigroup of  $S$ . If  $V = S_P$  for some prime ideal  $P$ , then  $V$  is called essential.

**95.** Let a g-monoid  $S$  be a locally finite intersection of 1-dimensional essential valuation oversemigroups of  $S$ , and assume that  $\dim(S) = 1$ . Then  $S$  is one of the  $V_i$ 's.

Let  $P$  be a prime ideal of a g-monoid  $S$ . If  $P$  contains no prime ideal without  $P$ , then  $P$  is called a minimal prime ideal.

**Proposition 96.** Let a g-monoid  $S$  be a locally finite intersection of 1-dimensional essential valuation oversemigroups of  $S$ . Let  $N$  be a minimal prime ideal of  $S$ . Then  $S_N$  is one of the  $V_i$ 's.

**Proof.** By Proposition 94,  $S_N$  is a locally finite intersection of the  $V_i$ 's that contain  $S_N$ . By 95,  $S_N$  is one of the  $V_i$ 's.

Let  $V$  be a valuation semigroup. If the value group of  $V$  is isomorphic to a subgroup of the additive group of rational numbers, then  $V$  is called rational.

**Proposition 97.** Suppose, in addition to the hypothesis of Proposition 93, that each  $V_i$  is a rational valuation oversemigroup of  $S$ . Then  $S = \bigcap V_j$ , where the intersection is taken over those  $V_i$ 's that have the form  $S_N$ ,  $N$  a minimal prime ideal of  $S$ .

**Proof.** If  $V_i$  has the form  $S_N$ ,  $N$  a maximal ideal of  $S$ , let us call the  $V_i$  e-type. If  $V_j$  is not of e-type, let us call the  $V_j$  i-type. We show that one i-type component can be deleted. Let  $W$  be i-type,  $Q$  a maximal ideal of  $W$  and  $P = Q \cap S$ . If  $P$  is a minimal prime ideal, then  $S_P$  is one of the  $V_i$ 's by Proposition 96. Let  $S_P = V_i$ . Then  $V_i \subset W$ . Hence we can delete  $W$ . So we may assume that  $\text{ht}(P) \geq 2$ . Then there exists a prime ideal  $P'$  such that  $P \not\supseteq P'$ . By Proposition 94,  $P' \supset P_k$  (for

$P_k = Q_k \cap S$ ,  $Q_k$  is a maximal ideal of  $V_k$ ). Take any  $y \in P_k$ . Suppose that  $W$  can not be deleted. Then we can take an element  $x$  that lies in every  $V_i$  but not in  $W$ . Let  $U_W$  be a group of units of  $W$  and  $G = q(S)$ . Since  $W$  is rational, we can take  $m, n \in \mathbf{Z}$  such that  $m\bar{x} + n\bar{y} = \bar{0}$  for  $\bar{x}, \bar{y} \in G/U_W$ . Then  $z = mx + ny$  is a unit of  $W$ . Since  $x \in V_k$  and  $y \in Q_k$ , we have  $z \in Q_k$ . On the other hand,  $z$  lies in  $S$ . Thus  $z$  is a unit of  $W$  and non-unit of  $V_k$ . This contradicts the inclusion  $P_k \subset P$ . Hence we can delete  $W$  if it is i-type. Suppose that  $u$  lies in every e-type  $V_i$ . We show that  $u \in S$ . By the locally finiteness,  $u$  lies in all but a finite number of the  $V_i$ 's. The components which do not contain  $u$  are i-type. Hence  $u \in S$ .

An ideal in a g-monoid  $S$  is called primary, if  $I \neq S$  and if  $x + y \in I$  implies either  $x \in I$  or  $ny \in I$  for some  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ . Let  $I$  be a primary ideal of  $S$ . Then  $\sqrt{I}$  is the smallest prime ideal containing  $I$ . If  $P = \sqrt{I}$ , then  $I$  is called a  $P$ -primary ideal.

**98.** Let  $S$  be a Noetherian semigroup with maximal ideal  $M$ , and let  $I$  be an  $M$ -primary ideal. Then there exists  $n \in \mathbf{N}$  such that the length of any chain of ideals between  $I$  and  $M$  is less than  $n$ .

**Proof.** There exist irreducible elements  $x_1, \dots, x_k$  such that  $M = (x_1, \dots, x_k)$ . We may assume that  $I \subset M$ . Let  $M = I_m \supsetneq \dots \supsetneq I_1 \supsetneq I_0 = I$  be a chain of ideals of length  $m$ . There exists a natural number  $h$  such that  $hx_i \in I$  for every  $i$ . Set  $l = h^k$ . Each ideal  $I_i$  is generated by a finite number of elements  $a_1, \dots, a_n$ , and each element  $a_j$  is of the form  $n_1x_1 + \dots + n_kx_k$  up to a unit of  $S$  for  $n_i \geq 0$ . We note that  $hx_i \in I$  for every  $i$ . It follows that  $m \leq l$ .

**Theorem 99.** Let  $S$  be a Noetherian semigroup,  $a$  a non-unit in  $S$ , and  $P$  a minimal prime ideal over  $(a)$ . Then  $\text{ht}(P) = 1$ .

**Proof.** We may assume that  $P$  is a maximal ideal in  $S$ . Suppose that there exists a prime ideal  $P_1$  which is properly contained in  $P$ . Since  $P$  is the only prime ideal which contains  $(a)$ ,  $(a)$  is a  $P$ -primary ideal. Evidently  $P \supset (a, P_1) \supset (a, 2P_1) \supset \dots$  and each  $(a, iP_1)$  contains  $(a)$ . By

99, there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $(a, nP_1) = (a, (n+1)P_1) = \dots$ . Hence  $mP_1 \subset (a, (m+1)P_1) \cap mP_1 \subset ((a) \cap mP_1, (m+1)P_1)$  for any  $m \geq n$ . Since  $mP_1$  is a  $P_1$ -primary ideal and  $a \notin P_1$ , we have  $(a) \cap mP_1 = a + mP_1$ . Then  $mP_1 \subset (a + mP_1, (m+1)P_1) \subset (P + mP_1, (m+1)P_1)$ . By 68,  $mP_1 = (m+1)P_1$ . On the other hand,  $\bigcap_i P_1 = \emptyset$  by Proposition 66; a contradiction. Therefore  $\text{ht}(P) = 1$ .

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