

On t -ideals of an integral domain

To Professor Y. Akizuki for celebration of his 70th birthday

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Introduction.

In the following R will be an integral domain, and K will be the field of quotients of R . By an ideal of R , we shall mean a non-zero fractional ideal of R . If an ideal $A \subset R$, then we say that A is an *integral* ideal of R . Let A and B be ideals of R , then we shall define $A : B = \{x \mid x \in K, Bx \subset A\}$. In the special case where $A = R$, $R : B$ is often denoted by B^{-1} , and we shall write $(B^{-1})^n$ by B^{-n} , for brevity. $(A^{-1})^{-1}$ is often denoted by A_v , and we shall define $A_t = \bigcup_{B \subset A} B_v$ where B is a finitely generated ideal. Then it is clear that $A \subset A_t \subset A_v$.

Definition. Let A be an ideal of R . If $A = A_t$, then we say that A is a *t-ideal* of R . If $A = A_v$, then we say that A is a *V-ideal* of R . If $A = A_v$ and $AA^{-1} = A$, then we say that A is an *F-ideal* of R .

If $A_t = B_t$, then we say that A is *t-equal* to B and write $A \stackrel{t}{\sim} B$. If $A^{-1} = B^{-1}$, that is, $A_v = B_v$, then we say that A is *quasi-equal* to B and write $A \sim B$.

In [1], K. E. Aubert has introduced the following problem.

Problem. *Is a Krull ring characterized by the fact that any*