

# INTEGRAL DOMAINS IN WHICH EACH $t$ -IDEAL IS DIVISORIAL

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**Introduction.** Let  $D$  be a commutative integral domain, and let  $\mathcal{F}(D)$  be the set of nonzero fractional ideals of  $D$ . We recall the  $v$ - and  $t$ -operations. For each  $A \in \mathcal{F}(D)$ ,  $A_v = (A^{-1})^{-1}$  = the intersection of the principal fractional ideals of  $D$  which contain  $A$ , and  $A_t = \bigcup \{J_v : J \text{ is a finitely generated subideal of } A\}$ . If  $A = A_v$  (resp.  $A = A_t$ ) then  $A$  is said to be a  $v$ -ideal or *divisorial* (resp. a  *$t$ -ideal*). The  $v$ -ideal  $A$  has *finite type* if  $A = J_v$  for some finitely generated  $J \in \mathcal{F}(D)$ . The fractional ideal  $A$  is *quasi-finite* if  $A^{-1} = J^{-1}$  for some finitely generated fractional subideal  $J$  of  $A$ . The  $v$ - and  $t$ -operations are examples of star operations; the reader is referred to [7, §§32, 34] or to [15] for the properties of star operations (which we shall use freely).

We define a domain  $D$  to be a *TV-domain* if each  $t$ -ideal of  $D$  is divisorial (equivalently, if the  $v$ - and  $t$ -operations on  $D$  are the same). Our study of *TV*-domains is motivated by [12], where Heinzer studies domains *all* of whose non-zero ideals are divisorial. The class of *TV*-domains is, of course, much larger. It includes the class of *Mori domains*, domains satisfying the ascending chain condition on divisorial ideals. Hence Noetherian domains and Krull domains are *TV*-domains.

In the first section, we study the properties of *TV*-domains, generalizing many (but not all) of the results of [12]. Before describing the main result, we recall that each  $t$ -ideal  $A$  of  $D$  is contained in a  $t$ -ideal  $M$  maximal among  $t$ -ideals containing  $A$ , and this *maximal  $t$ -ideal* is prime [15, pp. 30–31]. We prove (Theorem 1.3) that every (proper)  $t$ -ideal of a *TV*-domain  $D$  is contained in only finitely many maximal  $t$ -ideals. We also show that every maximal  $t$ -ideal of a *TV*-domain  $D$  has the form  $(a):b$  for some  $a, b \in D$ .

In the second section we give several characterizations of Krull domains. In particular, we give a proof more direct than (say) that given in [5, pp. 12–16] of the fact that (a) a completely integrally closed Mori domain is a Krull domain. In fact we prove that (a') a completely integrally closed *TV*-domain is a Krull domain. This is done as follows. First, define a fractional ideal  $A$  of  $D$  to be  *$v$ -invertible* (resp.  *$t$ -invertible*) if  $(AA^{-1})_v = D$  (resp.  $(AA^{-1})_t = D$ ). In [18, Thm. 0] it was proved, as a consequence of (a), that (b)  $D$  is a Krull domain if and only if every  $A \in \mathcal{F}(D)$  is  $t$ -invertible. Here we prove (b) independently of (a) and then use (b) to prove (a'), yielding a more satisfying approach to a well-known result.

The third section characterizes Prüfer  $v$ -multiplication domains among *TV*-domains, and we show that this class of rings is a certain subclass of the class of

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