

Primary Ideals and Valuation ideals.

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I. Introduction

Let D be an integral domain, let $\mathcal{2}$ denote the set of primary ideals, and let \mathcal{V} denote the set of valuation ideals of D . The object of this paper is to investigate the significance of the relationships $\mathcal{V} \subseteq \mathcal{2}$, $\mathcal{2} \subseteq \mathcal{V}$, and Our point of departure was the observation in that if D is a Dedekind domain, then $\mathcal{2} = \mathcal{V}$.

II. Preliminary results on valuation ideals.

Definition 2. 1. An ideal A of a domain D is called a valuation ideal if there exists a valuation ring $D_v \subseteq D$ and an ideal A_v of D_v such that $A_v \cap D = A$

Definition 2. 2. If A is ideal of D and if S is the set of all nontrivial valuations of the quotient field K of D which are non-negative on D , then $A' = \bigcap_{v \in S} A \cdot D_v$ is called the completion of A . If $A = A'$, then A is called complete. $D' = \bigcap_{v \in S} D_v$ is the integral closure of D (8, p.15, Theorem 6)

Proposition 2. 3. *Let D be a domain. If A is any ideal of D , denote by A' the completion of A and by A^* the intersection of those valuation ideals of D which contain A . Then*

- (1) $A' \cap D = A^*$
- (2) $(x)' = xD'$ for any $x \in D$.
- (3) If $(x) = (x)'$ for some $x \in D$, $x \neq 0$, then $D = D'$.
- (4) $(x) = (x)^*$ for all $x \in D$ if and only if $D = D'$.

Definition 2. 4. An integral domain D is a Prüfer domain if each nonzero finitely generated ideal of R is invertible.

Theorem 2. 5. *If every ideal of D is an intersection of primary ideals and if every primary ideal is a valuation ideal, then D is Prüfer.*

III. Main Theorem.

Theorem 3. 1. $\mathcal{V} \subseteq \mathcal{2}$ if and only if every proper prime ideal of D is maximal.

Proof. Suppose every prime ideal of D is maximal, and let A be a valuation.

exists a valuation ring $D_v \cong D$ and an ideal A_v of D such that $A_v \cap D = A$. If P is the center of D_v on D , then $D \cong D_p \subset D_v$ and D is a one dimensional quasi-local ring. Therefore $A_v \cap D_p = A'$ is primary; and since $A' \cap D = A$, A is also primary. Conversely, assume $\cong 2$, and suppose there exist prime ideals P, P' of D such that $0 \subset P \subset P' \subset D$. By (6, p. 37), there exists a valuation ring D_v having prime ideals P_v, P'_v which lie over P, P' respectively. Choose $x \in P', x \notin P$ and $y \neq 0$ in P , and let $A = (xy) \cap D_v \cap D$. Then A is a valuation ideal and $A \subseteq P$. Claim; A is not primary. For if A is primary, $xy \in A$ and $x \notin P$ implies $y \in A$. But then $y = rxy$ for some $r \in D_v$, and hence $1 = rx \in P'_v$, a contradiction.

Lemma 3.2. *Let M be a prime ideal of a domain D , and suppose there exists a prime ideal $P \subset M$ such that there is no prime ideal P_i with $P \subset P_i \subset M$.*

then P is the intersection of the M -primary ideals of D which contain P .

Theorem 3.3. *Let D be a quasi-local domain, and suppose for any nonzero prime ideal P of D there exists a prime ideal $N(P) \subset P$ such that if P_i is prime ideal $\subset P$, then $P_i \subseteq N(P)$. Then D satisfies the a. c. c. for prime ideals and the prime ideals of D are linearly ordered.*

Proof. If $P_1 \subset P_2 \subseteq \dots$ is an ascending chain of prime ideals of D , then $U = \cup P_i$ is also prime, so if $U \neq P_i$ for all i , then $P_i \subseteq N(U)$ for all i ; and we would have $U = \cup P_i \subseteq N(U) \subset U$, a contradiction. Therefore, D satisfies the a. c. c. for prime ideals. Now suppose there exist prime ideals P_1, P_2 of D such that $P_1 \not\subseteq P_2$ and $P_2 \not\subseteq P_1$. Since D has the a. c. c. for prime ideals, there exists a prime ideal M , maximal with respect to the properties $P_1 \subseteq M, P_2 \not\subseteq M$. Since $P_2 \not\subseteq M$, M is not the maximal ideal of D and there exist a prime ideal $M_a \supset M$. If $\{M_a\}$ is the set of all such prime ideals, then $M \neq \cap M_a$ since $P_2 \subseteq M_a$ and $P_2 \not\subseteq M$. Therefore, by Zorn's lemma, there is a prime ideal M_0 minimal with respect to the property that $M_0 \supset M$. Therefore, $M \subseteq N(M_0) \subset M_0$ implies $M = N(M_0)$. But then $P_2 \subset M_0$ means $P_2 \subseteq N(M_0) = M$, a contradiction to the choice of M .

Corollary 3.4. *Let D be a quasi-local domain such that D satisfies the a. c. c. for prime ideals. If $2 \subseteq v$, then the prime ideals of D are linearly ordered.*

Lemma 3.5. *Let D be a quasi-local domain which satisfies the for prime ideals, and suppose $2 \subseteq v$. Then D is integrally closed.*

Theorem 3.6. *Let D be a domain which satisfies the a. c. c. for prime ideals. If $2 \subseteq v$, then D is a Prüfer domain.*

Proof. It is sufficient to see D_p is a valuation ring for any prime ideal P of D . Therefore we may assume that D is quasi-local, and D is integrally closed. Suppose there exists nonzero $x, y \in D$ such that x/y and $y/x \notin D$. x, y are then nonunits of D , and the fact that the prime ideals of D are ordered implies $V(x, y)$ is prime. Consider the set of all prime ideals of D which are of the form $V(x, y)$ for such x, y . By the a. c. c., contains a maximal element P and suppose x, y are the elements of the above type such that $P = V(x, y)$. $(x^2, y^2) \cdot D_p$ is then primary and hence a valuation ideal. Therefore $xy \in (x^2, y^2) \cdot D_p$. We may assume that $x/y \in D_p$. Then $x/y = r/s, r, s \in D, s \notin P$. But this means

$r/s, s/r \notin D$, and $s \notin P$ implies $V(r, s) \supset P$, a contradiction to the choice of P .

Corollary 3.7. *A noetherian domain D has the property $2 \cong V$ if and only if D is Dedekind domain.*

Proof. D is Dedekind domain if and only if D is a noetherian Prüfer domain. now apply 3.6.

Corollary 3.8. *Let D be a noetherian domain and let P be a prime ideal of D such that every P -primary ideal is valuation ideal. Then P is minimal prime of D and P_p is rank 1, discrete valuation ring.*

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