DOMAINS WHOSE IDEALS MEET A UNIVERSAL RESTRICTION

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Dedicated to my friends

ABSTRACT. Let S(D) represent a set of proper nonzero ideals I(D) (resp., t-ideals $I_t(D)$) of an integral domain $D \neq qf(D)$ and let P be a valid property of ideals of D. We say S(D) meets P (denoted $S(D) \triangleleft P$) if each $s \in S(D)$ is contained in an ideal satisfying P. If $S(D) \triangleleft P$, dim(D) can't be controlled. When R = D[X], $I(D) \triangleleft P$ does not imply $I(R) \triangleleft P$ while $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ implies $I_t(R) \triangleleft P$ usually. We say S(D) meets P with a twist (written $S(D) \triangleleft^t P$) if each $s \in S(D)$ is such that, for some $n \in N$, s^n is contained in an ideal satisfying P and study $S(D) \triangleleft^t P$, as its predecessor. A modification of the above approach is used to give generalizations of Almost Bezout domains.

1. Introduction

The general idea of this paper is the following. Consider a property of ideals in a (commutative) ring R such as "is finitely generated". We raise and answer questions such as: A commutative ring R is Noetherian if and only if every ideal of R is finitely generated, what will be a ring every ideal of which is contained in some finitely generated ideal? It turns out that this will happen precisely when every maximal ideal of R is finitely generated. (The resulting ring may not in general be Noetherian.) Let's call the above process, "tweaking of a property". We note that while the main thrust of our paper is on tweaking of various properties of ideals of various kinds in commutative integral domains, the language adopted is such that it can be used to include questions such as: What will be the result of tweaking the property, "every left ideal is principal" to "every left ideal is contained in a principal left ideal. We give examples of domains that result from this "tweaking". For some examples we will need to use the star operation called the t-operation. So it seems best to start with a brief introduction to that, even before spelling out what we plan to do.

Let D be an integral domain with quotient field $K \neq D$, let $\mathcal{F}(D)$ be the set of nonzero fractional ideals of D and let f(D) be the set of nonzero finitely generated fractional ideals of D. For $I \in \mathcal{F}(D)$, the set $I^{-1} = \{x \in K | xI \subseteq D\}$ is again a fractional ideal and thus the relation $v: I \mapsto I_v$ is a function on $\mathcal{F}(D)$. This function is called the v-operation on D. Similarly the relation $t: I \mapsto I_t = \bigcup \{F_v | 0 \neq F \text{ is a finitely generated subideal of } I\}$ is a function on $\mathcal{F}(D)$ and is called

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the t-operation on D. These and the operation d: $I \mapsto I$ are examples of the so called star operations. The reader may consult sections 32 and 34 of [25] or the first chapter of [21] for these operations. However, for the purposes of this introduction, we note that $I \in \mathcal{F}(D)$ is a v-ideal (resp., t-ideal) if $I = I_v$ (resp. $I = I_t$) and if I is finitely generated, $I_v = I_t$. The rather peculiar definition of the t-operation allows one to use Zorn's Lemma to prove that each integral domain that is not a field has at least one integral t-ideal maximal among integral t-ideals, that this maximal t-ideal is prime and that every proper, integral t-ideal is contained in at least one maximal t-ideal. The set of all maximal t-ideals of a domain D is denoted by t-Max(D). It can be shown that $D = \bigcap_{M \in t$ -Max(D) D_M . While we are at it let's also denote by I(D) the set of all nonzero proper integral ideals of D and by $I_t(D)$ the set of all proper integral t-ideals of D, here proper means not equal to D.

Now let S(D) represent I(D) (or $I_t(D)$). Let P be a predicate that defines a non-empty truth set $\Gamma_{S(D)}(P) \subseteq S(D)$, where P can be: "—is invertible" or "—is divisorial", "—is finitely generated" etc.. We say S(D), for a given value or both values meets P (written as $S(D) \triangleleft P$) if $\forall s \in S(D) \exists \gamma \in \Gamma_{S(D)}(P)$ ($s \subseteq \gamma$).

(Alternatively, let P be a valid property of ideals and let $\Gamma_{S(D)}(P)$ be the set of ideals of D satisfying P, we say S(D) meets P (denoted as $S(D) \triangleleft P$) if each ideal s in S(D) is contained in some ideal γ that satisfies P. The use of the predicate or property is to avoid having to state similar theorems over and over again. A reader can pick up a property of choice to see if it can be tweaked.)

From an abstract point of view we are actually dealing with a non-empty poset (A, <) such that every member of A precedes at least one maximal element of A. Suppose further that we designate a non-empty subset Γ of A by some rule. Then every maximal member of A is in Γ if and only if every member of A precedes some member of Γ . Thus $S(D) \triangleleft P \Leftrightarrow Max(D)$ (resp., t-Max(D)) $\subseteq \Gamma_{S(D)}(P)$. That is easy enough, but the trouble starts when we ask questions like: Suppose for example $I(D) \triangleleft P$ and suppose R is an extension of D must $I(R) \triangleleft P$? (Same question for $S(D) = I_t(D)$.) On the other hand we get the following benefit from carrying out this study: Take a property P say "finitely generated", that characterizes commutative Noetherian rings. Then $I(D) \triangleleft P$ gives us a ring each of whose maximal ideal is finitely generated. It turns out that this ring is non-Noetherian unless it is of dimension one. We shall however restrict our attention to integral domains and note that D is a Krull domain if and only every t-ideal of D is t-invertible. If P stands for "is t-invertible" then, as we shall see, $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ is a domain characterized by the property that every maximal t-ideal of D is tinvertible. Now you can set P as: ".. is invertible" and check for yourself that $I(D) \triangleleft P$ delivers a domain whose maximal ideals are all invertible but such a domain is not Dedekind unless it is of dimension one. In fact for each natural number n we can find an n dimensional domain with each maximal ideal invertible. This fascinating uncontrollability of Krull dimension is shared by most of $I(D) \triangleleft P$ and $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ etc..

We show in section 2 that if X is an indeterminate over L a field extension of K, and R = D + XL[[X]], and if P returns T on a maximal ideal M of D if and only if P returns T on M + XL[[X]], $S(D) \lhd P$ if and only if $S(R) \lhd P$. Also if P is such that P returns T on principal ideals, such as "... is finitely generated", R = D + XL[X], and if P returns T on a maximal ideal M of D if and only if P returns T on M + XL[X], $S(D) \lhd P$ if and only if $S(R) \lhd P$. Since dim $R = \dim D + 1$, [17,

Corollary 1.4], this shows that if $S(D) \triangleleft P$ and P returns the truth value T for each principal ideal, then one can expect no restriction on the Krull dimension of D. We also explain the use of predicate as a way of stating several minor theorems in one go. Next we show, in section 2, that if R = D[X] and $I(D) \triangleleft P$, then $I(R) \not\triangleleft P$ in cases that we have considered, yet if $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$, then $I_t(R) \triangleleft P$ almost always. We give examples to show that generally $S(D) \triangleleft P$ does not extend to rings of fractions. We study restrictions, such as requiring the domain to be completely integrally closed or to be Noetherian etc., that control the dimension of D when $S(D) \triangleleft P$, in some cases. In section 3 we study $S(D) \triangleleft P$ with a twist (written as $S(D) \triangleleft^t P$ if $\forall s \in S(D) \exists \gamma \in \Gamma_{S(D)}(P)(s^n \subseteq \gamma \text{ for some } n \in N)$ and study $S(D) \triangleleft^t P$ along the same lines as $S(D) \triangleleft P$, providing necessary examples. (Here N denotes the set of natural numbers.) The examples to explain the general idea are mostly well known yet cover a lot of ground. So the article could be mistaken for a survey. To allay that notion we have included in section 4 a generalization of the notion of almost Bezout domains, using a modification of the principle explained above. Then we study the finite character of this generalization. However, in view of the ground covered, if someone wishes to recommend this article as as a survey article they have my permission to hold this view. Of course our terminology is usually standard, as in [33] and [25], and we provide adequate introduction to any term that is new or not quite in common use.)

2. Effects of a Universal Restriction on S(D)

Even though our main focus will be on the d- and t-operations, let us start with an introduction to general star operations so that we can reap full benefits from our toils. A star operation * on D is a function on $\mathcal{F}(D)$ that satisfies the following properties for every $I, J \in \mathcal{F}(D)$ and $0 \neq x \in K$:

- (i) $(x)^* = (x)$ and $(xI)^* = xI^*$,
- (ii) $I \subseteq I^*$, and $I^* \subseteq J^*$ whenever $I \subseteq J$, and
- (iii) $(I^*)^* = I^*$.

Now, an ideal $I \in \mathcal{F}(D)$ is a *-ideal if $I^* = I$, so a principal ideal is a *-ideal for every star operation *. Moreover $I \in \mathcal{F}(D)$ is called a *-ideal of finite type if $I = J^*$ for some $J \in f(D)$. It can be shown that (a) for every star operation * and $I, J \in \mathcal{F}(D)$, $(IJ)^* = (IJ^*)^* = (I^*J^*)^*$, (the *-multiplication), (b) $(I+J)^* = (I+J^*)^* = (I^*+J^*)^*$ (the *-sum) and (c) $(I^* \cap J^*)^* = I^* \cap J^*$ (*-intersection).

To each star operation * we can associate a star operation *_s defined by $I^{*s} = \bigcup \{J^* \mid J \subseteq I \text{ and } J \in f(D)\}$. A star operation * is said to be of finite type, or of finite character, if $I^* = I^{*s}$ for all $I \in \mathcal{F}(D)$. Indeed for each star operation *, *_s is of finite character. Thus if * is of finite character $I \in \mathcal{F}(D)$ is a *-ideal if and only if for each finitely generated subideal J of I we have $J^* \subseteq I$. Also it is easy to see that $I_t = \bigcup \{J_v \mid J \subseteq I \text{ and } J \in f(D)\} = I_{v_s}$ and so the t-operation is an example of a star operation of finite character. We will have occasion to use another star operation called the w-operation. It is defined by $A_w = \cap AD_M$ where $M \in t\text{-}Max(D)$, and is finite type. Star operations of finite character, especially the t-operation, will figure prominently in our discussions. A fractional ideal I is called *-invertible if $(II^{-1})^* = D$. It is well known that if I is *-invertible for a finite character star operation * then I^* and I^{-1} are of finite type and that every *-invertible *-ideal is divisorial [49]. If * is a star operation of finite character then just like the t-operation, every nonzero proper integral *-ideal is contained

in a maximal integral *-ideal that is prime and just like the t-ideals $D = \cap D_M$ where M varies over the maximal *-ideals of D. We shall be mostly concerned with the two values of S(D) but will use occasionally $I_*(D)$ the set of proper, integral, *-ideals when we want to go general and not lose sight of the two values of S(D). (Since $I_*(D) = I(D)$ (resp., $I_t(D)$) for *=d (resp., *=t)). Let's note that while $I_*(D) \cup \{D\}$ is a monoid under the usual *-multiplication of *-ideals with multiplicative identity D, it is a poset under inclusion. From the poset angle $(I_*(D) \cup \{D\}, +^*, \times^* \leq)$, with $A \leq B \Leftrightarrow A \supseteq B$, is a p.o. monoid and a lattice where $A + B = (A, B) = \inf(A, B) = A \wedge B$ and $\sup(A, B) = A \cap B$. The idea of using a universal restriction via a predicate germinated in [19] where we studied the set $I_*^f(D)$ of proper *-ideals of finite type with a preassigned non-empty subset Γ of $I_*^f(D)$, requiring that every pair of members with $A + B \in I_*^f(D)$, A, B be contained in some member of Γ . (This is equivalent to saying that every proper ideal in $I_*^f(D)$ is contained in a member of Γ , hence the current approach.) As these studies appeal mostly to partial order, they stand to have applications in other areas, as well.

We start with a simple example to set the scene. Let's consider, for a star operation * of finite character, $I_*(D)$ and define $\Gamma_{I_*(D)}(P)$ with P = "—is principal" and suppose that $I_*(D) \triangleleft P$. Then every maximal *-ideal of D is principal, as we have already observed. But the story doesn't end here. The event of $I_*(D) \triangleleft P$ imparts some properties to D, such as: the only atoms (irreducible elements) in D are primes and hence generators of maximal *-ideals. For this note that if a is an atom then a must belong to a maximal *-ideal, which is principal and hence generated by a prime p. But then a is an associate of p and hence a prime. Thus an irreducible element is a prime in D, if $I_*(D) \triangleleft P$ for any star operation * of finite character. Now for *=d the identity operation $I(D) \triangleleft P$ gives a domain D in which every proper nonzero ideal is contained in a principal ideal, something stronger than what Cohn [14] called a pre-Bezout domain (every pair of coprime elements is co-maximal). In fact $I(D) \triangleleft P$ gives a domain something that is even stronger than what was called a special pre-Bezout, or spre-Bezout domain in [19]. (Recall that D is a spre-Bezout domain if every finite co-prime set of elements is co-maximal.) Similarly if $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$, then D is something stronger than a PSPdomain (every primitive polynomial over D is super-primitive), also discussed in [19]. Recall that a polynomial f is super primitive if $(A_f)_v = D$, where A_f is the content, the ideal generated by the coefficients, of f. Now it is easy to see that if such a domain is atomic, it is at least a UFD (when $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$) and a PID (when $I(D) \triangleleft P$). Now, can we find domains that satisfy these properties and yet are not atomic? Yes indeed!

Example 2.1. (1) Let Z,Q denote the ring of integers and its quotient field respectively and let X be an indeterminate over Q, then the ring D = Z + XQ[X] is such that $I(D) \triangleleft P$, where P = "—is principal". (2) Let Z,L denote the ring of integers and a field containing its quotient field respectively and let X be an indeterminate over L, then the ring R = Z + XL[[X]] is such that $I(R) \triangleleft P$, where P = "—is principal".

Illustration: According to [16, Theorem 4.21] the nonzero prime ideals of D are of the form pZ + XQ[X], XQ[X] and maximal height one principal primes of the form f(X)D where f(X) is irreducible in Q[X] and f(0) = 1. Now XQ[X] is not

maximal and the rest of them are. So all the maximal ideals are principal and so $I(D) \triangleleft P$ with P given above. That D is not atomic can be concluded from the fact that X cannot be expressed as a product of atoms. For (2) it is easy to check that every maximal ideal of R is principal, as the maximal ideals of Z + XL[[X]] are of the form pZ + XL[[X]] where p is a prime element of Z.

Now according to [16], dim D = 2 and we said that if $I(D) \triangleleft P$, then there maybe no restriction on dim D. The answer to this question is provided in a more general form below.

Let's first collect some simple results, observations and notation. We say that P returns T on an ideal of I(D) if the truth value of P for that ideal is T. For the sake of easy reference, let's start with an observation that we have already made.

Lemma 2.2. Let (A, \leq) be a non-empty poset such that every element of A precedes some maximal element of A and suppose that we can designate a non-empty subset Γ of A by some rule. Also let Max(A) denote the set of all maximal elements of A. Then every member of A precedes some member of Γ if and only if $Max(A) \subseteq \Gamma$. Thus $I(D) \triangleleft P$ if and only if P returns T for each member of Max(D) and $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ if and only if P returns T for each member of T.

This, somewhat simple observation may, in some instances, have some interesting consequences.

- **Lemma 2.3.** invertible(1) If a maximal ideal M of D is a t-invertible t-ideal, then M is invertible. (2) If $P_1 = "-is$ t-" and $P_2 = "-is$ invertible", then $I(D) \triangleleft P_1 \Leftrightarrow I(D) \triangleleft P_2$ and (3) $I(D) \triangleleft P \Rightarrow I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ for any predicate P whose truth set consists of t-ideals.
- *Proof.* (1) (This is well known, but we include the proof for completeness.) Suppose M is a t-invertible t-ideal then $(MM^{-1})_t = D$. If $MM^{-1} \neq D$ then MM^{-1} must be contained in a maximal ideal N. But since $M \subseteq MM^{-1}$, N = M. So $MM^{-1} \subseteq M$. But as M is also a t-ideal, $D = (MM^{-1})_t \subseteq M$, a contradiction.
- (2) By Lemma 2.2, $I(D) \triangleleft P_i \Leftrightarrow P_i$ returns T for each maximal ideal M and for each i = 1, 2. So $I(D) \triangleleft P_1 \Rightarrow$ every maximal ideal is a t-invertible t-ideal and by (1) every maximal ideal is invertible. So $I(D) \triangleleft P_1 \Rightarrow I(D) \triangleleft P_2$. The converse is obvious because every invertible ideal is a t-invertible t-ideal.
- (3) Suppose that $I(D) \triangleleft P$ then, in particular, for every maximal t-ideal M, P returns T.

Proposition 1. (1) Let, on I(D), P = "- is a principal ideal (resp., t-invertible t-ideal, t-ideal of finite type, t-ideal, finitely generated ideal, divisorial ideal). Then $I(D) \triangleleft P$ if and only if every maximal ideal of D is a principal ideal (resp., invertible ideal, t-ideal of finite type, t-ideal, finitely generated ideal, divisorial ideal) of D. (2) Let, on I(D), P = "- is a principal ideal (resp., invertible ideal, t-invertible t-ideal of finite type, finitely generated ideal, divisorial ideal). Then $I_t(D) \triangleleft P \Leftrightarrow \text{every maximal t-ideal is a principal ideal (resp., invertible ideal, t-invertible t-ideal, t-ideal of finite type, finitely generated ideal, divisorial ideal).$

Proof. In the presence of Lemma 2.2 and Lemma 2.3, it appears totally unnecessary to repeat the arguments required for the proofs of (1) and (2).

Note that in case of (1) every maximal ideal being a t-ideal of finite type ensures that every maximal t-ideal of D is actually a maximal ideal. Indeed if we suppose

that \wp is a maximal t-ideal that is not maximal, then \wp is contained in a maximal ideal, say M, but M is already a t-ideal.

We have restricted our attention to the star operations that are easily defined for usual extensions. One of the usual extensions is the D + XL[X] construction, where L is an extension of K and X is an indeterminate over L. It is a special case of the D+M construction of [12]. To be able to fully appreciate how it works, one needs to learn a little about the construction D + XL[X]. Let D, L, X be as above. Then $R = D + XL[X] = \{f \in L[X]|f(0) \in D\}$ is an integral domain. Indeed R has two kinds of nonzero prime ideals P, ones that intersect D trivially and ones that don't. If $P \cap D \neq (0)$ then $P = P \cap D + XL[X]$ [17, Lemma 1.1] and obviously P is maximal if and only if $P \cap D$ is. It can be shown, as was indicated prior to the proof of Corollary 16 in [4], that if $P = P \cap D + XL[X]$, then P is a maximal t-ideal of R if and only if $P \cap D$ is a maximal t-ideal of D and indeed as $P_v = (P \cap D)_v + XL[X]$, P is divisorial if and only if $(P \cap D)$ is. Moreover, prime ideals of R that are not comparable with XL[X], i.e. ones that intersect D trivially, are of the form (1+Xg(X))R where 1+Xg(X) is an irreducible element of L[X], [17, Lemmas 1.2, 1.5]. (This can also be seen as follows: If P is a prime that intersects D trivially, then P extends to a prime \wp of K + XL[X] that is incomparable with XL[X]. Now K + XL[X] is one dimensional and every element of K + XL[X] is of the form $lX^r(1 + Xg(X))$ where. $l \in L, r \geq 0$ and 1 + Xg(X)is obviously a product of primes from L[X]. Next $lX^r(1+Xg(X)) \in \wp$ forces $(1+Xg(X)) \in \wp$, because $X \notin \wp$. But then \wp is principal generated by a prime of the form 1+h(X) and this also is a prime in R, thus $1+Xh(X) \in \wp \cap R = P$. Now as P contains a principal prime (1 + Xh(X))R that extends to a maximal height one prime in K + XL[X], P = (1 + Xh(X))R.) Also as XL[X] is of height one XL[X] is a t-ideal and dim $R = \dim D + 1$, by [17, Corollary 1.4]. Let us say that a predicate P respects principals if P returns T on principal ideals (i.e. principal ideals satisfy P).

Theorem 2.4. A. Let P be a predicate that respects principals, L an extension field of K, X an indeterminate over L and let R = D + XL[X]. Then (i) given that P returns T on a maximal ideal M of D if and only if P returns T on M + XL[X], $I(D) \lhd P \Leftrightarrow I(R) \lhd P$ (ii) given that P returns T on a maximal t-ideal M of D if and only if P returns T on M + XL[X], $I_t(D) \lhd P \Leftrightarrow I_t(R) \lhd P$. B. Let P be a predicate, L an extension field of K, X an indeterminate over L and let R = D + XL[[X]]. Then (iii) given that P returns T on a maximal ideal M of D if and only if P returns T on a maximal t-ideal M of D if and only if P returns T on M + XL[[X]], $I_t(D) \lhd P \Leftrightarrow I_t(R) \lhd P$.

Proof. (Perhaps, before a "formal" proof of (i), an example might help. Take a predicate P, say: ___ is finitely generated. Then P respects principals because a principal ideal is finitely generated. Now given a maximal ideal M of D the ideal M + XL[X] = MR [17, Lemma 1.1 and Theorem 1.3] is a maximal ideal of R and obviously M is finitely generated if and only if MR is. Then $I(D) \triangleleft P$ implies $I(R) \triangleleft P$ because every maximal ideal of D being finitely generated implies every maximal ideal of R of the form M + XL[X] being finitely generated and as all the maximal ideals that intersect D trivially are principal, we conclude that every maximal ideal of R is finitely generated i.e. $I(R) \triangleleft P$. Conversely suppose $I(R) \triangleleft P$. That is every maximal ideal of R is finitely generated. Then in particular

maximal ideals of R that intersect D non trivially are finitely generated. But the ideals of R that intersect D non trivially are of the form M + XL[X] = MR [17, Lemma 1.1 and Theorem 1.3]. Now each MR being finitely generated implies that each maximal ideal M of D is finitely generated. But this means $I(R) \triangleleft P \Rightarrow I(D) \triangleleft P$.)

(i) Suppose $I(D) \triangleleft P$, then P returns T for every maximal ideal M of D and hence for every maximal ideal of R of the form M + XL[X], by the given. Since P respects principal ideals we conclude that P returns T for every maximal ideal of R. (Since every maximal ideal of R not of the form M + XL[X] is principal.) That is $I(R) \triangleleft P$. Conversely suppose that $I(R) \triangleleft P$. Then P returns T for all maximal ideals \mathcal{M} of R, in particular for the ones that intersect D non-trivially. But those are precisely of the form $\mathcal{M} = \mathbf{m} + XL[X]$ where $\mathbf{m} = \mathcal{M} \cap D$ is maximal and as P returns T for $\mathbf{m} + XL[X]$ if and only if P returns T for \mathbf{m} , and as the ms are precisely the maximal ideals of D we conclude that $I(D) \triangleleft P$. The proof of (ii) follows the same lines as those adopted in the proof of (i). However, just for completeness we include it. Suppose $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ then P returns T for every maximal t-ideal M of D and hence for every maximal t-ideal of R of the form M + XL[X]. Since P respects principal ideals we conclude that P returns T for every maximal t-ideal of R. That is $I_t(R) \triangleleft P$. Conversely suppose that $I_t(R) \triangleleft P$. Then P returns T for all maximal t-ideals \mathcal{M} of R, in particular for the ones that intersect D non-trivially. But those are precisely of the form $\mathcal{M} = \mathbf{m} + XL[X]$ where $\mathbf{m} = \mathcal{M} \cap D$ is a maximal t-ideal and as P returns T for $\mathbf{m} + XL[X]$ if and only if P returns T for \mathbf{m} , and as the $\mathbf{m}s$ are precisely the maximal t-ideals of D we conclude that $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$. For (iii) and (iv) all one has to note is that m is a maximal (t-) ideal of D if and only if m+XL[[X]] is and that M is a maximal (t-)ideal of D + XL[[X]] if and only if M = m + XL[[X]] is where m is a maximal (t-) ideal of D.

The above "theorem" is not much of a theorem, really. But it tells us what to check for, before making a statement such as $I(D) \triangleleft P \Leftrightarrow I(R) \triangleleft P$.

Corollary 1. (i) With D, L, X, R as in (i) Theorem 2.4 and with P = "- is a principal ideal (resp., invertible ideal, t-invertible t-ideal, t-ideal of finite type, t-ideal, finitely generated ideal, divisorial ideal) $I(D) \triangleleft P \Leftrightarrow I(R) \triangleleft P$ and (ii) with D, L, X, R as in (ii) of Theorem 2.4 and with P = "- is a principal ideal (resp., invertible ideal, t-invertible t-ideal, t-ideal of finite type, finitely generated ideal, divisorial ideal) $I_t(D) \triangleleft P \Leftrightarrow I_t(R) \triangleleft P$. (iii) with D, L, X, R as in (iii) Theorem 2.4 and with P = "- is a principal ideal (resp., t-invertible t-ideal, t-ideal of finite type, t-ideal, t-ideal, finitely generated ideal, divisorial ideal) $I(D) \triangleleft P \Leftrightarrow I(R) \triangleleft P$ and (iv) with D, L, X, R as in (iv) of Theorem 2.4 and with P = "- is a principal ideal (resp., t-invertible t-ideal, t-ideal of finite type, t-ideal, finitely generated ideal, divisorial ideal) $I_t(D) \triangleleft P \Leftrightarrow I_t(R) \triangleleft P$.

Proof. (i) Note that in each case P returns T for a principal ideal. Moreover for A an ideal of D, because $A_v + XL[X] = (A + XL[X])_v$ and $A_t + XL[X] = (A + XL[X])_t$ and because A + XL[X] = A(D + XL[X]), A being finitely generated, invertible (or being a v-ideal of finite type) results in A + XL[X] being of that kind and vice versa, we conclude that the requirements of Theorem 2.4 are met. (Indeed as a maximal ideal being a t-invertible t-ideal is invertible, we haven't let anything unverified.) For (ii) note that all the checking is as in (i), even the t-invertible t-ideal case falls

under t-ideals of finite type and t-ideals of finite type are all v-ideals. So nothing more needs be done. For (iii) and (iv) note that all except one statements for P follow through.

Remark 2.5. Note that if D is not a field, as we have assumed from the start, then, whatever be D, D+XL[X] is not Noetherian. This is because D+XL[X] affords a strictly ascending chain of ideals such as $(X) \subseteq (X/d) \subseteq (X/d^2) \subseteq ... \subseteq (X/d^n)$ for any nonzero non unit d of D. Now as the maximal ideals of a Noetherian domain D are finitely generated so are the maximal ideals of D + XL[X], by Corollary 1. This gives us an example (a) of a non-Noetherian domain whose maximal ideals are all finitely generated. That is not all, we can construct chains of such domains, of any length, starting with a domain whose maximal ideals are all finitely generated. To make things simple let L = K. Let R_0 be a domain with the property that every maximal ideal of R_0 is finitely generated and let $R_1 = R_0 + X_0 q f(R_0)[X_0]$, where X_0 is an indeterminate over $qf(R_0)$, $R_2 = R_1 + X_1 qf(R_1)[X_1]$, where X_1 is an indeterminate over $qf(R_1)$ and obviously every maximal ideal of R_2 is finitely generated because R_1 has this property. If proceeding in this manner, we reach $R_n = R_{n-1} + X_{n-1}qf(R_{n-1})[X_{n-1}],$ where X_{n-1} is an indeterminate over $qf(R_{n-1})$ we can construct the next. As a result of this recursive procedure we have a chain of domains: $R_0 \subseteq R_1 \subseteq ... \subseteq R_n \subseteq R_{n+1} \subseteq ...$, where each of R_i gets the property of having all maximal ideals finitely generated from the previous, for i > 0. Next recall that (b) D is a Mori domain if D has ACC on integral divisorial ideals. Obviously Noetherian domains and less obviously Krull domains are Mori. It can be shown that D is a Mori domain if and only if for every nonzero integral ideal A of D there is a finitely generated ideal $F \subseteq A$ such that $A_v = F_v$ [39, Lemma 1]. This translates to: every t-ideal is a t-ideal of finite type [3, Corollary 1.2]. Thus if D is Mori, then every maximal t-ideal of D is of finite type. To show that the property of having every maximal t-ideal of finite type does not characterize Mori domains one can construct R = D + XK[X] indicating, via Corollary 1, that every maximal t-ideal of R is of finite type but R is not Mori because R affords an ascending chain like: $(X) \subseteq (X/d) \subseteq (X/d^2) \subseteq ... \subseteq (X/d^n)$ for any nonzero non unit d of D. We can actually construct, as in (a) above, chains of domains satisfying this property. We can, of course do the above with D + XL[[X]] or with any variation of it, i.e. Gilmer's D + M construction [9].

There are other uses Corollary 1 can be put to, but we shall let the reader discover those, if need arises. We now concentrate on the next extension R = D[X] where X is the usual indeterminate over D.

Proposition 2. (1) Let $I(D) \triangleleft P$ where P = "- is a proper nonzero principal ideal (resp., t-invertible t-ideal, t-ideal, t-ideal of finite type, divisorial ideal), let X be an indeterminate over D and let R = D[X]. Then it never is the case that $I(R) \triangleleft P$ for P = "- is a proper nonzero principal ideal (resp., t-invertible t-ideal, t-ideal of finite type, divisorial ideal) and (2) Let $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ where P = "- is a t-invertible t-ideal (resp., t-ideal of finite type, divisorial ideal), let X be an indeterminate over D and let R = D[X]. Then $I_t(R) \triangleleft P$ where P = "- is a t-invertible t-ideal (resp., t-ideal of finite type, divisorial ideal) and conversely.

Proof. (1) (This can be considered well known, but is included for completeness.) Let $I(D) \triangleleft P$ where P = "— is a proper nonzero principal ideal (resp., t-invertible t-ideal, t-ideal of finite type, divisorial ideal). Then every maximal ideal \wp of

D is a t-ideal. Now consider the prime ideal $\wp[X]$ in R = D[X] and note that $\wp[X]$ can never be a maximal ideal because $D[X]/\wp[X] \cong (D/\wp)[X]$ is a polynomial ring over a field and so must have an infinite number of maximal ideals. This forces $\wp[X]$ to be properly contained in an infinite number of maximal ideals M_{α} of D[X]. Let M be one of them. Then $M=(f,\wp[X])$. Now, if it were the case that $I(R) \triangleleft P$ for P ="— is a proper t-ideal", then every maximal ideal of R would be a t-ideal. This would make M a t-ideal with $M \cap D = \wp \neq (0)$. But then, according to Proposition 1.1 of [30], $M = (M \cap D)[X] = \wp[X]$, a contradiction to the fact that $\wp[X] \subseteq M$. For (2) note that if $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ where P is as specified, then every maximal t-ideal \wp of D is a t-invertible t-ideal (resp., t-ideal of finite type, divisorial ideal). Now let M be a maximal t-ideal of R. If $M \cap D = (0)$, then M is a t-invertible t-ideal and hence a t-ideal (and divisorial, being a finite type t-ideal), by Theorem 1.4 of [30]. Next if M is such that $M \cap D \neq (0)$, then $M = (M \cap D)[X]$ where $M \cap D$ is a maximal t-ideal of D and hence a t-ideal, and obviously is divisorial if and only if M is divisorial [27, Proposition 4.3]. Conversely suppose that $I_t(R) \triangleleft P$ for P as specified. Then every maximal t-ideal M of R is a t-invertible t-ideal (resp., t-ideal of finite type, divisorial ideal). Now let \wp be a maximal t-ideal of D. Then $\wp[X]$ is a maximal t-ideal of R by Proposition 1.1 of [30] and hence divisorial. But this leads to $\wp[X] = (\wp[X])_v = \wp_v[X]$ (resp., $(\wp[X])_t = \wp_t[X]$) and hence to $\wp = \wp_v$. (We have chosen to focus of divisorial ideals (t-ideals), as all the other cases are divisorial (or t-ideals) and a maximal t-ideal of R that intersects D trivially is divisorial of finite type and hence a t-ideal.) Moreover if a maximal t-ideal M of R intersects Dnon-trivially then $M = (M \cap D)[X]$ as above and of course M is a t-ideal (t-ideal of finite type, divisorial) if and only if $M \cap D$ is [27, Proposition 4.3].

I cannot find a way to prove or disprove the following: Let R = D[X], and let P = "— is a finitely generated ideal" then $I(D) \triangleleft P \Rightarrow I(R) \triangleleft P$.

Now we are ready to show that if $R = D_{\mathcal{S}}$, for a multiplicative set \mathcal{S} of D where $S(D) \lhd P$ for P = "— is a proper nonzero principal ideal (resp., t-invertible t-ideal, t-ideal of finite type, divisorial ideal), then it may not generally be the case that $S(R) \lhd P$. Let's first recall from Lemma 2.3 that if a maximal ideal is a t-invertible t-ideal then it is actually invertible. Before we start constructing examples, let's take a look at the tool that we use in the following example. Let K be a proper subfield of a field L, let X be an indeterminate over L and let T = K + XL[X]. The ring T is an example of an atomic domain that is not a UFD (see [15, page 353]) and an example of a D + M construction. That T is one dimensional follows from [17, Corollary 1.4], that every maximal ideal of T different from XL[X] is principal of height one follows from Lemmas 1.2 and 1.5 of [17] and that XL[X] is divisorial can be easily checked, because $XL[X] = (X, lX)_v$ where $l \in L \setminus K$.

Example 2.6. Let L be a field extension of K with $[L:K] = \infty$, let X be an indeterminate over L and consider R = D + XL[X]. Set $S = D\setminus (0)$. If every maximal ideal of D is principal (invertible, finitely generated) then so is every maximal ideal of R. But that is not the case for every maximal ideal of R_S . For $R_S = K + XL[X]$ has a maximal ideal that is a t-ideal but neither principal nor finitely generated, because $[L:K] = \infty$. (It is easy to see that every invertible ideal is principal in T, [11, Example 1.10].)

The following example has been taken, almost verbatim, from [31, Example 3.3]. To decipher this example, recall that D is a PVMD (Prufer v-multiplication domain) if every nonzero finitely generated ideal of D is t-invertible. A good source for this concept is [36].

Example 2.7. There does exist at least one example of a domain D such that each maximal ideal of D is a t-ideal but for some maximal ideal M we have MD_M not a t-ideal. One such example is that of an essential domain that is not a PVMD. (Recall that an integral domain D is essential if D has a set G of primes such that D_p is a valuation domain for each $P \in G$ and $D = \bigcap_{P \in G} D_P$.) Now the example in question was constructed by Heinzer and Ohm in [28] and further analyzed in [36] and [24]. As it stands, the example has all except one maximal ideals of height one and hence t-ideals and the other maximal ideal M is a height 2 prime t-ideal. Indeed this is the maximal ideal M such that D_M is a 2-dimensional regular local ring and so with a maximal ideal that is not a t-ideal. Showing that while $I(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "— is a t-ideal of D, $I(D_M) \not \triangleleft P$.

For the next example recall from [46] that an integral domain D is a pre-Schreier domain if for all $a, b_1, b_2 \in D \setminus \{0\}$, $a|b_1b_2$ implies that $a = a_1a_2$, with $a_i \in D$ such that $a_i|b_i$. Also call a D-module M locally cyclic if for any elements $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in M$ there is a $d \in M$ such that $x_i = r_i d$ for some $r_i \in D$.

Example 2.8. For \mathbb{R} the field of real numbers, let $\mathbb{R} + M$, be a non-discrete rank one valuation domain, as constructed in say Example 4.5 of [46]. As decided in the above-mentioned example, $T = \mathbb{Q} + M$ (where \mathbb{Q} is the field of rational numbers) is a pre-Schreier domain with M divisorial and by [46, Theorem 4.4] locally cyclic. But then M cannot be a v-ideal of finite type. For if $M = (x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)_v$, then there would be a $d \in M$ such that $M = (x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)_v \subseteq (d) \subseteq M$, contradicting the construction in Example 4.5 of [46]. Now let p be a prime element in \mathbb{Z} , the ring of integers, and consider the local ring $R = \mathbb{Z}_{(p)} + M$. Indeed the maximal ideal of R is principal and hence can pass as a t-ideal of finite type, a t-invertible t-ideal. But if S is the multiplicative set of R generated by p, neither of these properties are shared by the maximal (t-) ideal M of $R_S = \mathbb{Q} + M$.

Now the fact that $I(D) \triangleleft P$ can go through the D + XL[X] construction with the various descriptions of P can be used to construct, for example, a domain of any (finite) dimension with t-maximal ideals principal. If that reminds an attentive reader of comments (3) and (4) of Remarks 8 of [37], then so be it. The point however is that the events of $I(D) \triangleleft P$ and $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$, with suitable descriptions of P, do not have the usual Ascending Chain Condition (ACC) on ideals (principal or t-) ideals. One may wonder if there are any simple restrictions that will get the beast under control. Yet to prepare to see that, here is another simple set of results that can come in handy when we are dealing with completely integrally closed integral domains. Of course before we bring in those results some introduction is in order. Recall that an integral domain D with quotient field K is completely integrally closed if whenever $rx^n \in D$ for $x \in K$, $0 \neq r \in D$, and every integer $n \geq 1$, we have $x \in D$. It can be shown that an intersection of completely integrally closed domains is completely integrally closed. The go to reference for Krull domains is Fossum's book [23] where you can find that D is a Krull domain if D is a locally finite intersection of localizations at height one primes such that D_P is a discrete valuation domain at each height one prime. Thus a Krull domain is completely

integrally closed. Glaz and Vasconcelos [26] called an integral domain D an H-domain if for an ideal A with $A^{-1} = D$, (or equivalently $A_v = D$) then A contains a finitely generated subideal F such that $A^{-1} = F^{-1}$. They showed that a completely integrally closed H-domain is a Krull domain. In [29, Proposition 2.4] it was shown that D is an H-domain if and only if every maximal t-ideal of D is divisorial. We have in the following a basic result and some of its derivatives.

Proposition 3. (a) Let D be a completely integrally closed domain. Then (1) D is a Krull domain if and only if $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "- is a proper divisorial ideal, (2) D is a locally factorial Krull domain if and only if $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "- is a proper invertible integral ideal of D, (3) D is a Krull domain if and only if $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "- is a proper t-invertible t-ideal of D, (b) (4) Let D be such that D_M is a Krull domain for each maximal ideal M of D. Then D is a Krull domain if and only if $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "- is a proper divisorial ideal of D [20] (5) Let D be an intersection of rank one valuation domains. Then D is a Krull domain if and only if $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "- is a proper divisorial ideal of D, (6) Let D be an almost Dedekind domain. Then D is a Dedekind domain if and only if $I(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "- is a proper divisorial ideals of D.

Proof. The idea of proof, in each case, is that every maximal t-ideal (maximal ideal) being contained in a proper divisorial ideal must be equal to it and combining this with the fact that D is completely integrally closed we get the Krull domain conclusion. For the locally factorial domain conclusion in (2) we note that every maximal t-ideal of D is invertible and so divisorial. This gives the Krull conclusion and a Krull domain is locally factorial if and only if every height one prime of D is invertible [1, Theorem 1]. For the Dedekind domain conclusion in (6), we note that every maximal ideal is of height one and divisorial, being invertible, so every maximal ideal is a t-ideal and so the domain is Krull and one dimensional. The converse in each case is obvious, in that if D is a Krull domain then D is completely integrally closed and every maximal t-ideal of D is, a t-invertible t-ideal and hence, divisorial. (If D is locally factorial, as in (2), every maximal t-ideal of D is invertible and hence divisorial.) And if D is Dedekind, then D is completely integrally closed and every maximal ideal is invertible and hence divisorial.

It is well known that D is a Krull domain if and only if every t-ideal of D is a t-product of prime t-ideals of D [40]. As we have seen, the prime t-ideals in a Krull domain happen to be all t-invertible t-ideals, and hence maximal t-ideals and divisorial [30, Proposition 1.3]. Also, according to [45, Theorem 1.10], D is a locally factorial Krull domain if, and only if, every t-ideal of D is invertible. Finally, D being completely integrally closed may not control the dimension of D when every maximal ideal is a t-ideal. Because the ring of entire functions is an infinite dimensional Bezout domain and completely integrally closed [25, page 146]. (Also, in a Bezout domain every maximal ideal is a t-ideal.)

Another condition that helps control the dimension is requiring some kind of an ascending chain condition. Call D a t-ACC domain if D satisfies ACC on its t-invertible t-ideals.

Lemma 2.9. Let D be a t-ACC domain and let I be a proper t-invertible t-ideal of D. Then $\cap (I^n)_t = (0)$. Consequently, in a domain satisfying t-ACC, if A is a proper divisorial ideal of D and I a t-invertible t-ideal then $(AI)_v = A$ implies I = D.

Proof. Because a t-invertible t-ideal is a v-ideal of finite type with I^{-1} of finite type there is no harm in using v for t. Now let $\cap (I^n)_v \neq 0$ and let x be a nonzero element in $\cap (I^n)_v$. Then there is a chain of t-invertible t-ideals $xI^{-1} \subseteq (xI^{-2})_v \subseteq \ldots \subseteq x(I^{-r})_v$... which must stop after a finite number of steps, because of the t-ACC restriction. Say $x(I^{-n})_v = x(I^{-n-1})_v$. Cancelling x from both sides we get $(I^{-n})_v = (I^{-n-1})_v$. Multiplying both sides by I^{n+1} and applying the v-operation we get I = D, a contradiction that arises from assuming that there is a nonzero element in $\cap (I^n)_v$. For the consequently part note that $(AI)_v = A$ implies that $A \subseteq (I^n)_v$ for all positive integers n.

Proposition 4. Let D be a t-ACC domain. Then (1) D is a PID if and only if $I(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "- is a proper nonzero principal ideal" and (2) D is a Dedekind domain if and only if $I(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "- is a proper invertible ideal" and (3) D is a Krull domain if and only if $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "- is a proper t-invertible t-ideal".

Proof. We shall prove (3) and explain why it should work for the other two cases. For (3) note that $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ for $\Leftrightarrow \forall A \in I_t(D) \ (A \neq D \Rightarrow \exists \gamma \in \Gamma(A \subseteq \gamma))$ where Γ is the set determined by P = "— is a proper t-invertible t- (resp., nonzero principal, invertible) ideal". Then, by the condition, every maximal t-ideal (maximal ideal) of D is t-invertible (resp., principal, invertible). By Lemma 2.9 we have for each maximal t-ideal M (maximal ideal M) $\cap (M^n)_v = (0)$ (resp., $\cap M^n = (0)$, since powers of principal (invertible) ideals are v-ideals). Thus each maximal t-ideal (maximal ideal) is of height one. Thus D is of t-dimension one (resp., of dimension one). Now, in each case, MD_M is of height one and principal, forcing D_M to be a discrete rank one valuation domain for each maximal t-ideal (maximal ideal) M. This makes D completely integrally closed, for $D = \cap D_M$ where M ranges over maximal t-ideals (maximal ideals). Now apply Proposition 3, using the fact that each maximal t-ideal (maximal ideal) is divisorial, being a t-invertible t-ideal (principal (invertible) ideal). The converse is obvious in each case.

Proposition 5. Let D be a t-ACC domain. Then (1) D is a UFD if and only if $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "- is a proper nonzero principal ideal" and (2) D is a locally factorial Krull domain if and only if $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "- is a proper invertible ideal".

Proof. We shall prove (1) and explain why it should work for the other case. For (1) note that $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "— proper nonzero principal (invertible) ideal" $\Leftrightarrow \forall A \in I_t(D) \ (A \neq D \Rightarrow \exists \gamma \in \Gamma(A \subseteq \gamma))$ where Γ is the set determined by P returning T. Then, by the condition, every maximal t-ideal of D is principal (invertible). By Lemma 2.9 we have for each maximal t-ideal M, $\cap M^n = (0)$, since powers of principal (invertible) ideals are v-ideals. Thus each maximal t-ideal is of height one. Thus D is of t-dimension one. Now, in each case, MD_M is of height one and principal, forcing D_M to be a rank one valuation domain for each maximal t-ideal. This makes $D = \cap D_M$, where M ranges over maximal t-ideals, a completely integrally closed domain. Now apply Proposition 3, using the fact that each maximal t-ideal is divisorial, being principal or invertible. This gets us the Krull conclusion. Now recall that in a Krull domain D, $A_t = (P_1^{n_1} \dots P_{r_r}^{n_r})_t$. Then, in case of (2), D is locally factorial by [45, Theorem 1.10] and, in case of (1), D is factorial because every principal ideal is a product of prime powers. The converse,

in each case, is obvious in that a UFD (locally factorial Krull domain) is Krull every maximal t-ideal of whose is principal (resp., invertible).

As already mentioned, an integral domain D that satisfies ACC on integral divisorial ideals is called a Mori domain. Obviously a Noetherian domain is a Mori domain. It is easy to check that for every nonzero integral ideal A of a Mori domain D there are elements $a_1, ..., a_r \in A$ such that $A_v = (a_1, ..., a_r)_v$. So the inverse of a nonzero ideal of a Mori domain is a v-ideal of finite type. Hence a v-invertible ideal in a Mori domain is t-invertible. It is well known that a domain D is a Krull domain if, and only if, every nonzero ideal of D is t-invertible (see e.g. [38, Theorem 2.5]) and thus a Krull domain is Mori too. Noting that a Mori domain is a t-ACC domain and that Noetherian is Mori too, we have the following direct corollaries.

Corollary 2. Let D be a Mori domain. Then (1) D is a PID if and only if $I(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "- is a proper nonzero principal ideal", (2) D is a Dedekind domain if and only if $I(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "- is a proper invertible ideal", (3) D is a Krull domain if and only if $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "- is a proper t-invertible t-ideal", (4) D is a UFD if and only if $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "- is a proper nonzero principal ideal" and (5) D is a locally factorial Krull domain if and only if $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "- is proper invertible ideal".

Corollary 3. Let D be a Noetherian domain. Then (1) D is a PID if and only if $I(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "- is a proper nonzero principal ideal" and (2) D is a Dedekind domain if and only if $I(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "- is a proper invertible ideal".

Corollary 4. Let D be a Mori domain. Then (1) D is a UFD if and only if $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "- is a proper nonzero principal ideal", (2) D is a locally factorial Krull domain if and only if $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "- is a proper invertible integral ideal", (3) D is a Krull domain if and only if $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "- is a proper t-invertible t-ideal".

Finally, consider the following scheme of results.

Proposition 6. Suppose that D satisfies ACCP (ACC on principal ideals). Then (1) D is a PID if and only if $I(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "— is a proper nonzero principal ideal" and (2) D is a UFD if and only if $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "— is a proper nonzero principal ideal".

Proof. $I_t(D) \triangleleft P$ for P = "— is a proper nonzero principal ideal" $\Leftrightarrow \forall A \in I_*(D)$ $(A \neq D \Rightarrow \exists \gamma \in \Gamma(A \subseteq \gamma))$ where Γ is the set of proper nonzero principal ideals of D fixed by P and * = d or t. Then, by the condition, for any maximal (maximal t-ideal) M of D we have $M \subseteq \gamma$ for some $\gamma \in \Gamma$ and so $M = \gamma D$. Claim that, because of the ACCP, M is of height one. (For if not, then there is $Q \subseteq \cap \gamma^n D$. So for every nonzero $x \in Q$, x is divisible by every power of γ , giving rise to an infinite ascending chain $xD \subsetneq \frac{x}{\gamma}D \subsetneq \frac{x}{\gamma^2} \subsetneq \dots \subsetneq \frac{x}{\gamma^n}D \subsetneq \dots$ which is impossible in the presence of ACCP on D.) Now MD_M is principal and of height one, making D_M a rank one discrete valuation domain and making $D = \cap D_M$ completely integrally closed with every maximal (t-) ideal principal. This makes D a Krull domain with every height one prime a principal ideal and so a UFD. Finally, a UFD with every height one prime maximal is a PID. The converse, in each case is straightforward.

3. A Universal Restriction with Conditions

Call a directed p.o. group G an almost l.o. group if for each finite subset $X = \{x_1, ..., x_r\} \subseteq G^+$ there is a positive integer n = n(X) such that $\inf(x_1^n, ... x_r^n) \in G^+$. Almost l.o. groups were introduced in [18] and further studied in [43]. One can talk about a commutative p.o. monoid M with least element 1 and a pre-assigned set Γ such that for all $x_1, ..., x_r \in M$ with $\mathcal{L}(x_1, ..., x_r) \neq 1$, there being a $\gamma \in \Gamma$ such that $x_1^n, ..., x_r^n \geq \gamma$. As ring theory provides a plethora of examples of this concept, we turn to ring theory.

Let D be a domain with a finite type star operation * defined on it, let $I_*(D)$ be the set of proper *-ideals of D and let $\Gamma_{I_*(D)}(P)$ be a non-empty subset of $I_*(D)$ defined by a predicate P such that for each $A \in I_*(D)$ there is an integer $n = n(A) \geq 1$ with $A^n \subseteq \gamma$ for some $\gamma \in \Gamma_{I_*(D)}(P)$. Let us say $I_*(D)$ meets P with a twist when this happens and denote it by $I_*(D) \lhd^t P$. We start with a motivating example of this notion.

Example 3.1. Let D be a Dedekind domain with torsion class group, let K be the quotient field of D and let X be an indeterminate over K. Then the ring R = D + XK[X] is such that $I(R) \triangleleft^t P$ where P = "— is a principal ideal".

Illustration: Recall, as we have already done, from [16, Theorem 4.21] that maximal ideals of R are of the form M+XK[X], where M is a maximal ideal of D, or of the form (1+Xf(X))R where 1+Xf(X) is irreducible in K[X]. Now since for each maximal ideal M of D we have $M^n \subseteq dD$ for some positive integer n and some nonzero $d \in D$ we have $(M+XK[X])^n = M^n+XK[X] \subseteq dD+XK[X]$. Next since for each maximal ideal M of R, either M is principal, and hence is contained in a principal ideal in $\Gamma_{I_*(R)}(P)$ or M is such that M^n is contained in a principal ideal I of I.

The above example leads to the following statement.

Proposition 7. (1) $I(D) \triangleleft^t P$ where P = "-- is a proper nonzero finitely generated ideal" if and only if for every maximal ideal M of D we have $M^n \subseteq \gamma \in \Gamma_{I(D)}(P)$ and (2) let L be an extension field of K = qf(D) and let X be an indeterminate over L. Then $I(D) \triangleleft^t P$ where P = "-- is a proper nonzero finitely generated ideal" if and only if $I(R) \triangleleft^t P$ where R = D + XL[X].

Proof. (1) Suppose that for every ideal A of D we have some integer $n=n(A)\geq 1$ and a $\gamma_A\in\Gamma_{I(D)}$ such that $A^n\subseteq\gamma_A$ then the same holds if A is a maximal ideal of D. Conversely suppose that for every maximal ideal M of D we have some integer $n=n(M)\geq 1$ and some $\gamma_M\in\Gamma_{I(D)}$ such that $M^{n(M)}\subseteq\gamma_M$ and let A be a proper nonzero ideal of D. Then $A\subseteq M$ for some maximal ideal M of D and $A^{n(M)}\subseteq M^{n(M)}\subseteq\gamma_M$. For (2) let $I(D)\lhd^tP$, where P is as given, then, by (1), for every maximal ideal \wp of D there is $n=n(\wp)$ such that $\wp^n\subseteq\gamma_\wp$ for some $\gamma_\wp\in\Gamma_{I(D)}$. Since every maximal ideal of D+XL[X] is either principal, and hence finitely generated, or of the form $\wp+XL[X]$ where \wp is a maximal ideal of D [17, Lemmas 1.2, 1.5], for every ideal A of R there is n=1 or $n(\wp)\geq 1$ such that $A^n\subseteq\gamma_A\in\Gamma_{I(R)}$, so $I(R)\lhd^tP$. Conversely suppose that $I(R)\lhd^tP$. Then, in particular, for maximal ideals M of the form $\wp+XL[X]$ there are positive integers n(M) such that $(\wp+XL[X])^{n(M)}=\wp^{n(M)}+XL[X]\subseteq\gamma_M\in\Gamma_{I(R)}$. But then $\gamma_M\cap D\neq (0)$ forcing $\gamma_M=\gamma+XL[X]=\gamma(D+XL[X])$ [17, Lemma1.1], where γ

is finitely generated because $\gamma_{\mathcal{M}}$ is. This gives $\wp^{n(\mathcal{M})} + XL[X] \subseteq \gamma + XL[X]$ and modding out XL[X] we get $\wp^{n(\mathcal{M})} \subseteq \gamma \in \Gamma_{I(D)} = \{\gamma \neq (0) | \gamma + XL[X] \in \Gamma_{I(R)} \}$. \square

Proposition 8. (1) $I(D) \triangleleft^t P$ where P = "- is a proper t-ideal of finite type" if and only if for every maximal ideal M of D, there is $n = n(M) \geq 1$ such that $M^n \subseteq \gamma \in \Gamma_{I(D)}(P)$, (2) $I_t(D) \triangleleft^t P$ where P = "- is a proper t-ideal of finite type" if and only if for every maximal t-ideal M of D we have $M^n \subseteq \gamma \in \Gamma_{I(D)}(P)$, (3) let L be an extension field of K and let X be an indeterminate over L. Then $I(D) \triangleleft^t P$ where P = "- is a proper t-ideal of finite type" if and only if $I(R) \triangleleft^t P$ where R = D + XL[X] and (4) let L be an extension field of K and let X be an indeterminate over L. Then $I_t(D) \triangleleft^t P$ where P = "- is a proper t-ideal of finite type" if and only if $I_t(R) \triangleleft^t P$ where P = "- is a proper t-ideal of finite type" if and only if $I_t(R) \triangleleft^t P$ where R = D + XL[X], (5) Repeat (3) and (4) R = D + XL[X].

Proof. (1) The proof works as the proof of (1) of Proposition 7. (2) The proof works in the same manner as that of (1) of Proposition 7, except that here the maximal t-ideals are in the focus. (3) Let $I(D) \triangleleft^t P$ where P = "— is a proper t-ideal of finite type". To show that $I(R) \triangleleft^t P$ all we need show is that for every maximal ideal \mathcal{M} of R, there is a positive integer $n = n(\mathcal{M})$ such that $\mathcal{M}^n \subseteq \gamma_{\mathcal{M}} \in \Gamma_{I(R)}(P)$. Now, as we have shown in the proof of (2) of Proposition 7, a maximal ideal \mathcal{M} of R is either principal and hence contained in some member of $\Gamma_{I(R)}$ or of the form $\mathcal{M} = M + XL[X]$, where M is a maximal ideal of D. But then, for n = n(M) we have $M^n \subseteq \gamma$, where γ is a t-ideal of finite type in $\Gamma_{I(D)}$, forcing $\mathcal{M}^n = M^n + XL[X] \subseteq \gamma R$. Because γ is a t-ideal of finite type of D, so is $\gamma R = \gamma + XL[X]$, see e.g. proof of Lemma 3.5 of [52]. Conversely, suppose that $I(R) \triangleleft^t P$ where P = "— is a proper t-ideal of finite type". Here, in particular, for a maximal ideal \mathcal{M} of the form $\mathcal{M} = M + XL[X]$ we have a positive integer $n = n(\mathcal{M})$ such that $\mathcal{M}^{n(\mathcal{M})} = M^{n(\mathcal{M})} + XL[X] \subseteq \gamma_{\mathcal{M}}$ where $\gamma_{\mathcal{M}}$ is a t-ideal of finite type of R. Obviously as $M^{n(\mathcal{M})} = (M^{n(\mathcal{M})} + XL[X]) \cap D \subseteq \gamma_{\mathcal{M}} \cap D$, and as $M^{n(\mathcal{M})} \cap D \neq (0)$, we conclude that $\gamma_{\mathcal{M}} \cap D \neq (0)$. Thus $\gamma_{\mathcal{M}} = \gamma_{\mathcal{M}} \cap D + XL[X]$ by [17, Lemma 1.1]. And as observed in the proof of Lemma 3.5 of [52] $\gamma_{\mathcal{M}} = \gamma_{\mathcal{M}} \cap D + XL[X]$ is a t-ideal of R if and only if $\gamma_{\mathcal{M}} \cap D$ is a t-ideal of D. That $\gamma_{\mathcal{M}}$ is of finite type if and only if $\gamma_{\mathcal{M}} \cap D$ is follows from the fact that $\gamma_{\mathcal{M}} = (a_1, ..., a_n)_v + XL[X]$. Finally, for (4), let $I_t(D) \triangleleft^t P$ where P = "— is a proper t-ideal of finite type" and as maximal t-ideals of R that intersect D trivially are prime ideals of R that intersect D trivially, are not comparable with XL[X], and hence are principal we need to concentrate on maximal t-ideals \mathcal{M} of R that intersect D non-trivially. But those are precisely $\mathcal{M} = (\mathcal{M} \cap D) + XL[X]$ and as $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}_t = (\mathcal{M} \cap D)_t + XL[X]$ we have $(\mathcal{M} \cap D)_t = (\mathcal{M} \cap D)$. Thus $\mathcal{M} = M + XL[X]$ where M is a maximal t-ideal of D. But, by the hypothesis, there is a positive integer n = n(M) such that $M^{n(M)} \subseteq \gamma_M$ for some $\gamma_M \in \Gamma_{I_t(D)}(P)$. This forces $\mathcal{M}^{n(M)} = M^{n(M)} + XL[X] \subseteq \gamma_M + XL[X]$ which is a t-ideal of finite type and hence in $\Gamma_{I(R)}$. For the converse we take the same line as in the proof of (3) and note that for each maximal t-ideal M of D, $\mathcal{M} = M + XL[X]$ is a maximal t-ideal of R and as $\mathcal{M}^n = (M + XL[X])^n \subseteq \gamma_{\mathcal{M}}$ for some $\gamma_{\mathcal{M}} \in \Gamma_{I_t(R)}(P)$, $M^n \subseteq \gamma_{\mathcal{M}} \cap D \neq (0)$. Now, as in (3), $\gamma_{\mathcal{M}} \cap D$ can be shown to be a t-ideal of finite type and hence in $\Gamma_{I_t(D)}(P)$. For (5) note that each maximal (t-) ideal of R is of the form m+XL[[X]] where m is a maximal (t-) ideal of D. Apart from the examples constructed in the above proposition there are examples of domains $I_*(D) \triangleleft^t P$ for P = "— is a *-ideal of finite type". Some of these examples are simple and straightforward and some are not so simple. Presented in the following is a sampling of them. If D is Noetherian and P = "— is a finitely generated ideal, then $I(D) \triangleleft^t P$. Recall, again, that D is a Mori domain if it satisfies ACC on its integral divisorial ideals. Obviously Noetherian domains are Mori and less obviously Krull domains are Mori. Recall also that D is Mori if and only if for every nonzero integral ideal A of D there is a finitely generated ideal $F \subseteq A$ such that $A_v = F_v$, if and only if every t-ideal of D is a t-ideal of finite type [47]. Thus if D is a Mori domain then $I_t(D) \triangleleft^t P$ where P = "— is a t-ideal of finite type". Note that since for a finitely generated nonzero ideal A of any domain $A_t = A_v$, every t-ideal of a Mori domain is divisorial. In what follows we shall also need the fact that if I is a *-ideal for some star operation *, then \sqrt{I} is a *_s-ideal (see Theorem 1 of [50]). Thus if I is divisorial, or a t-ideal then \sqrt{I} is a t-ideal.

Proposition 9. Let D be a Mori domain. Then $I(D) \triangleleft^t P$ with P = "-is a t-ideal" if and only if every maximal ideal of D is divisorial.

Proof. If every maximal ideal M of D is a t-ideal then, D being Mori, M is a t-ideal of finite type, hence divisorial and hence in $\Gamma_{I(D)}(P)$. Whence $I(D) \triangleleft^t P$. Conversely suppose that D is Mori and $I(D) \triangleleft^t P$ where P is as given and let M be a maximal ideal of D. Then by the condition $M^n \subseteq A$ where A is a t-ideal. This gives $M = \sqrt{M^n} \subseteq \sqrt{A}$. Since M is maximal, we have $M = \sqrt{A}$ which is a t-ideal. Since M is arbitrary we have the result.

The event of $I(D) \triangleleft^t P$ for P = "— is a t-ideal of finite type" does not put any constraint on the height of maximal ideals of a Mori domain. Indeed there do exists examples of Noetherian domains with maximal t-ideals of height greater than one, see e.g. [22, Example 3.5].

Corollary 5. Let D be a Noetherian integral domain. Then $I(D) \triangleleft^t P$ with P = "— is a t-ideal of finite type" if and only if every maximal ideal of D is divisorial.

Indeed as in a polynomial ring over $D \neq K$, every maximal ideal being a radical of a t-ideal of any kind is not possible because that would make every maximal ideal of the polynomial ring a t-ideal as we have seen in section 2. On the other hand, we have the following statement.

Proposition 10. Let R = D[X]. If P = "— is a t-invertible t-ideal (resp., divisorial ideal)" Then $I_t(D) \triangleleft^t P \Rightarrow I_t(R) \triangleleft^t P$ and if D is integrally closed, $I_t(R) \triangleleft^t P \Rightarrow I_t(D) \triangleleft^t P$.

Proof. (a). Let M be a maximal t-ideal of D[X] and suppose that $M \cap D \neq (0)$. Then $M = \wp[X]$ where $\wp = M \cap D$ is a maximal t-ideal of D [30]. Since $I_t(D) \triangleleft^t P$ we conclude that for some $n = n(\wp) \geq 1$, \wp^n is contained in a t-invertible t-ideal (resp. t-ideal, divisorial ideal) A. But then, $M^n = \wp^n[X] \subseteq A[X]$. Next let M be a maximal t-ideal of D[X] such that $M \cap D = (0)$. Then M is a t-invertible t-ideal and hence divisorial by Theorem 1.4 of [30] and $M^n \subseteq M$ for all n. Next suppose that $I_t(R) \triangleleft^t P$ for the specified P. Then, in particular, for every maximal t-ideal \wp of D we have the maximal t-ideal $M = \wp[X]$ and, by the condition, there is $n = n(M) \geq 1$ such that M^n is contained in a t-ideal (resp., t-invertible t-ideal, divisorial ideal) A of D[X]. Since $M^n \cap D \neq (0)$, $A \cap D \neq (0)$ and since D is

integrally closed $A = (A \cap D)[X]$ and $A \cap D$ is a t-ideal (resp., t-invertible t-ideal, divisorial ideal), if A is [5, Corollary 3.1].

Indeed as the behavior of D + XL[X] is the same under $S(D) \lhd^t P$ as it was under $S(D) \lhd P$, one can construct examples to show that if R is a ring of fractions of D, $S(D) \lhd^t P$ may not imply $S(R) \lhd^t P$ in general. This leaves us to check what happens if we restrict a domain to be completely integrally closed and satisfy $S(D) \lhd^t P$ for a suitable P. To appreciate the following proposition we need to have an idea of the divisor class group of a Krull domain being torsion. For this too the reference to go to is [23]. For our purposes the divisor class group being torsion means that for each proper divisorial ideal I there is some positive integer n such that $(I^n)_v$ is principal. The other concept to know is the local class group G(D) = Cl(D)/Pic(D) of a Krull domain D, introduced and studied by Bouvier in [10]. Now G(D) being torsion is equivalent to $(I^n)_v$ being invertible, for some integer $n \geq 1$, for each proper divisorial ideal I.

Proposition 11. (a) Let D be a completely integrally closed domain. Then (1) D is a Krull domain if and only if $I_t(D) \triangleleft^t P$ for P = "- is a proper divisorial ideal", (2) D is a Krull domain if and only if $I_t(D) \triangleleft^t P$ for P = "- is a proper t-invertible t-ideal", (3) D is a Krull domain, with torsion divisor class group, if and only if $I_t(D) \triangleleft^t P$ for P = "- is a proper principal ideal". (b) Let D be an intersection of rank one valuation domains. Then (4) D is a Krull domain, if and only if $I_t(D) \triangleleft^t P$ for P = "- a proper v-ideal of finite type" and (5) D is a Krull domain, with torsion local class group, if and only if $I_t(D) \triangleleft^t P$ for P = "- a proper invertible ideal". (c) Let D be completely integrally closed. Then (6) D is a Dedekind domain if and only if $I(D) \triangleleft^t P$ for P = "- is a proper divisorial ideal" (resp. invertible ideal) and (7) D is a Dedekind domain with torsion class group if and only if $I(D) \triangleleft^t P$ for P = "- is a proper principal ideal".

Proof. (1). Let D be a completely integrally closed domain and let $I_t(D) \triangleleft^t P$ for P ="— is a proper divisorial ideal". (I.e. suppose that for every t-ideal I there is $n \geq 1$ such that I^n is contained in a divisorial ideal.) Now let M be a maximal t-ideal of D. We claim that M is divisorial, for if not then $M_v = D$. But, by the condition, M^n is contained in a proper divisorial ideal γ . Thus $(M^n)_v \subseteq \gamma$ because γ is a divisorial ideal. On the other hand $(M^n)_v = ((M_v)^n)_v = D$, contradicting the assumption that γ is a proper divisorial ideal. Whence $M_v \neq D$, forcing $M = M_v$. Now as M is arbitrary, we conclude that D is an H domain [29]. Finally, according to [26], D is Krull. Conversely if M is a maximal t-ideal of a Krull domain then M is divisorial and so is $(M^n)_v$ which returns T for P for any n. (2). Because a proper t-invertible t-ideal is divisorial too and because every prime t-ideal of a Krull domain is t-invertible and so must be every maximal t-ideal M, with $(M^n)_v$ a t-invertible t-ideal, we conclude that the proof of (1) applies. (3). For sufficiency, note that a proper principal ideal is divisorial. So D is at least a Krull domain, by part (1). Now let M be a maximal t-ideal of D. Then, by the condition, M^n is contained in a proper nonzero principal ideal γ and clearly $M^n \subseteq \gamma \subseteq M$. Thus M is the radical of a principal ideal and Theorem 3.2 of [2] applies to give the conclusion that the divisor class group of D is torsion. Conversely if D is a Krull domain whose divisor class group is torsion, then via Theorem 3.2 of [2] (or via [23, Proposition 6.8) one finds that for each maximal t-ideal M we have $(M^n)_n = \gamma$ a principal ideal verifying that M^n is contained in a proper principal ideal for each maximal t-ideal M of D. Note in part (b) that D being completely integrally closed is provided by the given. Then (4) can be proved just like (1) and that leaves (5). Now in (5) we prove just like (3) that D is a Krull domain and then use the condition to show that M is the radical of an invertible ideal. This would give, via Theorem 3.3 of [2] the conclusion that G(D) is torsion. For necessity in this case we appeal to Theorem 3.3 of [2] to conclude that $I_t(D) \triangleleft^t P$. For (6) and (7) note that every maximal t-ideal is maximal, and divisorial, because every maximal ideal is divisorial. So, in each case, D is a one dimensional Krull domain and hence a Dedekind domain. Now in case of (7) we can conclude, as in the proof of (3), that every maximal ideal is the radical of a principal ideal. The converse in each case is obvious, if not dealt with.

For a star operation * of finite type, defined on D, call D of finite *-character if every nonzero non unit of D belongs to at most a finite number of maximal *-ideals of D. We shall be mostly concerned with * = t or d though some of the considerations here may apply to the general approach. In any case we may define *-dimension as the supremum of the lengths of chains of *-ideals that are prime. Call D a weakly Krull domain (WKD) if $D = \bigcap_{P \in X^1(D)} D_P$ and the intersection is locally finite. It turns out that D is of finite t-character and of t-dimension one [6]. We shall also need to use the nth symbolic power $Q^{(n)}$ of a prime Q defined by $Q^{(n)} = Q^n D_Q \cap D$. We shall need also to recall that a nonzero finitely generated ideal I is said to be rigid (t-rigid) if I is contained in a unique maximal (t-) ideal. A maximal (t-) ideal is said to be (t-) potent if each of its maximal (t-) rigid ideal. Finally a domain D is said to be (t-) potent if each of its maximal (t-) ideals is (t-) potent.

Proposition 12. (1)Let $I(D)
ightharpoonup ^t P$ where P = "- is a proper nonzero principal ideal" (resp. invertible ideal, t-invertible t-ideal). If D has t-ACC, then D is a t-potent domain whose maximal ideals M are divisorial such that $\cap (M^n)_v = (0)$. (2) Let $I_t(D)
ightharpoonup ^t P$ where P = "- is a proper nonzero principal ideal" (resp. invertible ideal, t-invertible t-ideal). If D has t-ACC, then D is a t-potent domain whose maximal t-ideals M are divisorial such that $\cap (M^n)_v = (0)$.

Proof. For (1) let $I(D) \triangleleft^t P$ where P = "— is a proper nonzero principal ideal" (resp. invertible ideal, t-invertible t-ideal) and suppose that D has t-ACC. As we concluded in the proof of Proposition 11, every maximal ideal M is divisorial. Next, for every maximal ideal M we have $M^n \subseteq \gamma \in \Gamma_{I(D)}(P)$. This shows also that M is t-potent. Next $(M^n)_v \subseteq \gamma$, because γ is divisorial. So $\cap (M^{nr})_v \subseteq \cap (\gamma^n)_v$. Since γ is a t-invetible t-ideal and since D is t-ACC, Lemma 2.9 applies to give $\cap (\gamma^n)_v = (0)$. Whence $\cap (M^n)_v = (0)$. For (2) note that $I_t(D) \triangleleft^t P$ implies that $M^n \subseteq \gamma \in \Gamma_{I_t(D)}(P)$ for each maximal t-ideal M. Since γ is divisorial, M must be. The rest of the proof follows the same lines as taken in the proof of (1).

The above result does not give much. But with some give and take it can.

Proposition 13. (a) Let $I(D) \triangleleft^t P$ where P = "- is a proper nonzero principal ideal" and suppose that D has t-ACC. Then the following are equivalent: (1) D is one dimensional, (2) for every maximal ideal M, M^n being contained in a principal ideal dD implies $Q^{(n)} \subseteq dD$ for every nonzero prime Q contained in M, (3) D is a one dimensional WKD and (4) every power of every nonzero prime ideal Q of D is a primary ideal. (b) Let $I_t(D) \triangleleft^t P$ where P = "- is a proper nonzero principal ideal" and suppose that D has t-ACC. Then the following are equivalent:

(1) D has t-dimension one, (2) for every maximal t-ideal M, M^n being contained in a principal ideal dD implies $Q^{(n)} \subseteq dD$ for every nonzero prime Q contained in M, (3) D is a WKD.

Proof. (a) That $(1) \Rightarrow (2)$ is clear. For $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$, we show that there D is one dimensional. Assume by way of contradiction that there is a nonzero non-maximal prime Q contained in a maximal ideal M. Let $M^n \subseteq dD$ for a non unit $d \in D$ and let $0 \neq x \in Q^{(n)}$. Then $x \in dD$. Since $d \notin Q$, $(x/d)d \in Q^{(n)}$ forces $x/d \in Q^{(n)}$. Repeating the argument over and over again we get $\frac{x}{d}D \subseteq \frac{x}{d^2}D \subseteq \frac{x}{d^3}D \subseteq ... \subseteq \frac{x}{d^n}D \subseteq \frac{x}{d^{n+1}}D \subseteq ...$ which is impossible in the presence of t-ACC. Thus D is one dimensional and hence of t-dimension one. Now a t-potent domain of t-dimension one is a WKD by [32, Theorem 5.3]. That $(3) \Rightarrow (4)$, is direct because D is one dimensional. For $(4) \Rightarrow (1)$, suppose that there is a nonzero non-maximal prime ideal Q and proceed as in the proof of $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$ to get the desired contradiction. For the proof of (b) note that $(1) \Rightarrow (2)$ is obvious and $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$ goes exactly along the lines taken in the proof of $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$ of (a), while $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$ is obvious too. \square

Lest a reader considers Proposition 13 an empty result we hasten to give examples to allay such feelings. For the following set of examples we need to know that an extension of domains $A \subseteq B$ is called a root extension if for each $b \in B$ there is a positive integer n = n(b) such that $b^n \in A$. Let's call $A \subseteq B$ a fixed root extension if there is a fixed positive integer n such that $b^n \in A$, for all $b \in B$. Also an integral domain D is called an Almost Principal Ideal (API-)domain if for each subset $\{a_{\alpha}\}$ of $D\setminus\{0\}$ there is a positive integer n such that $(\{a_{\alpha}^n\})$ is principal. According to [7, Theorem 4.11] if $A\subseteq B$ is a fixed root extension and B is a subring of the integral closure of A, then A is an API domain if and only if B is.

Example 3.2. Of course (1) every Dedekind domain D with torsion class group is an example of a one dimensional WKD such that $I(D) \triangleleft^t P$ where P = "— is a proper nonzero principal ideal". (2) In section 4 of [7] there are studied several examples of Noetherian API domains that are not integrally closed. The simplest of these is $\mathbb{Z}[2i] = \mathbb{Z} + 2i\mathbb{Z}$. Since for each $a + bi \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$ we have $(a + bi)^2 =$ $a^2 - b^2 + 2abi \in \mathbb{Z}[2i]$, this gives the conclusion that $\mathbb{Z}[2i]$ is Noetherian and that $\mathbb{Z}[2i] \subseteq \mathbb{Z}[2i]$ is a fixed root extension. Because $\mathbb{Z}[i]$ is a PID, Corollary 4.13 of [7] applies to give the conclusion that $\mathbb{Z}[2i]$ is an API domain. That $\mathbb{Z}[2i]$ is one dimensional, follows from Theorem 2.1 of [7]. Now let M be a maximal ideal of $\mathbb{Z}[2i]$. Then M is finitely generated, say $M=(x_1,x_2,...,x_r)$ then $(x_1^n,...,x_r^n)$ is principal and, using Lemma 2.3 of [42], we conclude that $M^{nr} \subseteq (x_1^n, ..., x_r^n)$. (3) Finally, let K be a field of characteristic p > 0 and let L be a purely inseparable field extension of K such that $L^p \subseteq K$ and consider T = K + XL[X]. According to the information gathered prior to Example 2.6, the only non-principal maximal ideal of T is $XL[X] = (X, lX)_v$ where $l \in L \setminus K$. Obviously $(X^p, (lX)^p)_v = X^p$ and an application of Lemma 2.3 of [42] or direct computation gives $(XL[X])^{2p} \subseteq$ $((XL[X])^{2p})_v = ((X,lX)^{2p})_v \subseteq X^p$. The above can serve also as examples for part (b), but all fastfaktorielle rings of [41] dubbed as almost factorial domains in [23] can serve as examples as almost factorial domains are nothing but Krull domains with torsion divisor class groups. For non-Krull examples for (b) recall that, according to [44], an integral domain D is called an AGCD domain if for each pair $a, b \in D \setminus \{0\}$ there is a positive integer n = n(a, b) such that $a^n D \cap b^n D$ is principal (equivalently for every nonzero finitely generated ideal $(a_1,...,a_r)$ there is n=n $(a_1,...,a_r)\geq 1$

such that $(a_1^n, ..., a_r^n)_v$ is principal). Any Noetherian AGCD domain would serve as an example for (b). Reason: take a maximal t-ideal M, it's finitely generated. Say $M = (a_1, ..., a_r)$, for some $n \geq 1$ we must have $(a_1^n, ..., a_r^n)_v = dD$, principal. But then $M^{nr} \subseteq (a_1^n, ..., a_r^n) \subseteq (a_1^n, ..., a_r^n)_v = dD$, by Lemma 2.3 of [42].

4. Generalizing Almost Bezout Domains

Following [8], in a way, we call a domain D, for *=d or t, a *-almost Bezout (*-AB) (resp. *-almost Prufer (*-AP)) domain if for every finite set $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in D \setminus (0)$, there is a natural number $r = r(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ such that $(x_1^r, ..., x_n^r)^*$ is principal (resp., *-invertible). Indeed a d-AB (d-AP) domain is the usual almost Bezout (almost Prufer) domain, as defined in [7] and a t-AB (resp., t-AP) domain is the usual AGCD domain, as defined in [44] (resp., an APVMD, as defined in [34] and studied in [35]). It may be noted that if the natural number $r = r(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ is 1 for each set $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in D \setminus \{0\}$, we get the usual Bezout (Prufer) domain for *=d and the usual GCD domain (resp., PVMD) for *=t.

Twisting the definition a little we have the following lemma.

Lemma 4.1. (1) A domain D is *-AB (resp., *-AP) if and only if for every nonzero *-prime P and for every set $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in P \setminus (0)$ there is a natural number $r = r(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ such that the ideal $(x_1^r, x_2^r, ..., x_n^r)^*$ is principal (*-invertible), (2) A nonzero prime ideal of a *-AB (*-AP) domain D is a *-ideal if and only if for every set $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in P \setminus (0)$ there is a natural number $r = r(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ such that the ideal $(x_1^r, x_2^r, ..., x_n^r)^*$ is contained in P.

Proof. (1) We show that the condition implies that D is a *-AB (*-AP) domain. Let $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in D \setminus (0)$. If $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ is not contained in any *-ideal P, then $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)^* = D$ and so $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)^*$ is principal for r = 1. Now if $0 \neq (x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) \subseteq P$ then by the condition there is a natural number $r = r(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ such that $(x_1^r, ..., x_n^r)^*$ is principal (resp., *-invertible). The converse is obvious. (2) Let P be a *-ideal in a *-AB (*-AP) domain D. Then, obviously, for every set $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in P \setminus (0)$ there is a natural number $r = r(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ such that the ideal $(x_1^r, x_2^r, ..., x_n^r)^*$ is contained in P. Conversely suppose that P is a prime ideal of a *-AB (*-AP) domain D such that for every set $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in P \setminus (0)$ there is a natural number $r = r(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ such that the ideal $(x_1^r, x_2^r, ..., x_n^r)^*$ is contained in P. Since $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)^{nr} \subseteq (x_1^r, x_2^r, ..., x_n^r)$ by Lemma 2.3 of [42] we have $((x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)^{nr})^* = (((x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)^*)^{nr})^* \subseteq (x_1^r, x_2^r, ..., x_n^r)^*$. Since P is a prime ideal and since $((x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)^*)^{nr} \subseteq P$ we conclude that $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)^* \subseteq P$

Definition 4.2. We call a nonzero finitely generated ideal $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$, power divisible by a *-invertible *-ideal J if for some natural number s we have $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)^s \subseteq J$ and restricted power divisible if J is in each prime *-ideal P that contains $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$. Call D a *-sub-almost Bezout (*-SAB) (*-sub-almost Prufer(*-SAP)) domain if for every set $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in D \setminus (0)$, there is a natural number $s = s(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ such that the ideal $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)^s$ is contained in a principal ideal (*-invertible *-ideal) J such that J belongs to each prime *-ideal that contains $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$. Thus D is a *-SAB (*SAP) domain if every proper finite type *-ideal of D is strictly power divisible by at least one principal ideal (*-invertible *-ideal). Finally let Γ be a pre-assigned set of proper nonzero principal (resp., *-invertible *-) ideals of D. Call D an infra *-AB Γ (resp., infra *-AP Γ) domain if

for each finitely generated ideal ideal I of D there is a positive integer n = n(I) and a $\gamma \in \Gamma$ such that $I^n \subset \gamma$.

The following lemma indicates the relationship between some of these concepts.

Lemma 4.3. (1) A Bezout domain is a GCD domain; (2) A GCD domain is a PVMD; (3) A Prufer domain is a PVMD, (4) A Bezout domain is an AB domain (5) An AB domain is an AGCD domain (6) An AGCD domain is an APVMD (7) A Bezout domain is a Prufer domain (8) A Prufer domain is an AP domain, (9) An AB domain is an AP domain (10) A *-SAB domain is a *SAP domain (11) An AB domain is a an SAB domain (12) An AP domain is an SAP domain, (13) an AGCD (t-AB) domain is an SAGCD (t-SAB) domain and (14) An APVMD is a SAPVMD (t-SAP), (15) a *-SAB (resp., *-SAP) domain is a *-ABΓ (resp., *-APΓ) domain.

Proof. While the proofs of most of the above statements are well known, we briefly go through each just to remind the reader of the definitions. (Of course a reader conversant with the notions can skip the proofs.)

- (1) Every finitely generated (nonzero) ideal is principal implies that for every finitely generated nonzero ideal I we have I_v principal.
- (2) I_v is principal for every finitely generated non zero I implies I_v is t-invertible for every finitely generated non zero I (it's a case of principal is t-invertible).
- (3) I is invertible for every finitely generated non zero I implies I is t-invertible for every finitely generated non zero I. (It's a case of invertible is t-invertible.)
- (4) For all $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in D \setminus \{0\}$ $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ is principal implies there is $r = r(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) = 1$ such that $(x_1^r, x_2^r, ..., x_n^r)$ is principal.
- (5) For all $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in D\setminus(0)$ there is a natural number $r = r(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ such that the ideal $(x_1^r, x_2^r, ..., x_n^r)$ is principal implies for all $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in D\setminus(0)$ there is a natural number $r = r(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ such that the ideal $(x_1^r, x_2^r, ..., x_n^r)_v$ is principal. (Every principal ideal is a v-ideal.)
- (6) For all $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in D \setminus (0)$ there is a natural number $r = r(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ such that the ideal $(x_1^r, x_2^r, ..., x_n^r)_v$ is principal implies that for all $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in D \setminus (0)$ there is a natural number $r = r(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ such that the ideal $(x_1^r, x_2^r, ..., x_n^r)_v$ is t-invertible.
- (7) For all $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in D \setminus (0)$, $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ principal implies for all $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in D \setminus (0)$, $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ is invertible.
- (8) For all $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in D \setminus (0)$ such that $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ is invertible implies that for all $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in D \setminus (0)$ there is a natural number $r = r(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) = 1$ such that the ideal $(x_1^r, x_2^r, ..., x_n^r)$ is t-invertible.
- (9) for all $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in D \setminus (0)$ there is a natural number $r = r(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ such that the ideal $(x_1^r, x_2^r, ..., x_n^r)$ is principal implies that for all $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in D \setminus (0)$ there is a natural number $r = r(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ such that the ideal $(x_1^r, x_2^r, ..., x_n^r)$ is invertible.
 - (10) follows because a principal ideal is a *-invertible *-ideal.
- (11) for each nonzero prime ideal P of D and for all $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in P \setminus (0)$ the existence of $r = r(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ such that $(x_1^r, x_2^r, ..., x_n^r)$ is a principal ideal contained in P implies that for each nonzero prime ideal P of D and for all $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in P \setminus (0)$ there exists $s = s(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) = rn$ such that $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)^s$ is contained in a principal ideal contained in P, (indeed as $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)^{rn} \subseteq (x_1^r, x_2^r, ..., x_n^r)$, by Lemma 2.3 [42]).

- (12) for each nonzero prime ideal P of D and for all $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in P \setminus (0)$ the existence of $r = r(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ such that $(x_1^r, x_2^r, ..., x_n^r)$ is an invertible ideal contained in P implies that for each nonzero prime ideal P of D and for all $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in P \setminus (0)$ there exists $s = s(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) = rn$ such that $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)^s$ is contained in an invertible ideal J contained in P (and hence in every prime *-ideal Q containing $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$.
- (13) for each nonzero prime ideal P of D and for all $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in P \setminus (0)$ the existence of $r = r(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ such that $(x_1^r, x_2^r, ..., x_n^r)_t$ is a principal ideal contained in P implies that for each nonzero prime ideal P of D and for all $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in P \setminus (0)$ there exists $s = s(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) = rn$ such that $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)^s$ is contained in a principal ideal J contained in P.
- (14) for each nonzero prime ideal P of D and for all $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in P \setminus (0)$ the existence of $r = r(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ such that $(x_1^r, x_2^r, ..., x_n^r)$ is a t-invertible ideal contained in P implies that for each nonzero prime ideal P of D and for all $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in P \setminus (0)$ there exists $s = s(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) = rn$ such that $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)^s$ is contained in a t-invertible t-ideal J contained in P.
- (15) Direct. Set $\Gamma = \{\gamma | \gamma \text{ is a principal ideal of } D\}$ for a *-SAB domain D. Likewise, for a *-SAP domain set $\Gamma = \{\gamma | \gamma \text{ is a *-ivertible *-ideal of } D\}$.

Examples.

- (1) Every (*-AB (resp., *-AP) domain is a *-SAB (resp., *-SAP) domain.
- (2) The D + XK[X] construction from a *-SAB (resp., *-SAP) domain delivers a *-SAB (resp., *-SAP) domain. More precisely we have the following result.

Theorem 4.4. Let K be the quotient field of a domain D and let X be an indeterminate over K. Then D is a *-SAB (resp., *-SAP) domain if and only if R = D + XK[X] is.

Proof. Let $F = (f_1, f_2, ..., f_n)$. Then according to [16, Proposition 4.12], F =f(X)(J+XK[X]) where $f(X) \in R$ and J is a finitely generated ideal of D. If f(0) = 0 we conclude that $f(X) = g(X)(kX^r)$ where $g(0) = 1, k \in K \setminus \{0\}$ and r > 0. Then $F^2 = g(X)^2 (k^2 X^{2r}) (J + XK[X])^2 \subseteq g(X) X (J + XK[X])$. Obviously F is contained in the same prime t-ideals as g(X)X(J+XK[X]) is. Next as D is a *-SAB (resp., *-SAP) domain and as J is a finitely generated ideal, for some natural number $r, J^r \subseteq H$ where H is a principal ideal (resp., *-invertble *-ideal) and H is contained in the same prime *-ideals as J. But then H + XK[X] is a principal ideal (resp., *-invertble *-ideal) that is contained in the same prime *-ideals as J + XK[X] is. Thus $F^{2r} \subseteq g(X)^r X^r (J + XK[X])^r \subseteq g(X)^r X^r (H + XK[X])$ which is a principal ideal (resp., *-invertble *-ideal) that is contained in the same prime *-ideals as F. If $f(X) \neq 0$, we can take f(0) = 1 and so f(X) = 1 or $f(X) = p_1^{r_1} \dots p_s^{r_s}$ where $p_i R$ is a height one maximal ideal, for each i. In both cases $F^n = f((X)^n(J^n + XK[X])$ for all natural numbers n. Next as J is a finitely generated ideal of D, and D is a *-SAB (*SAP) domain, we have a natural number r and a principal ideal (resp., *-invertible *-ideal) H such that H is contained in each prime *-ideal that contains J^r . But then, as above, H + XK[X]is a principal ideal (resp., *-invertible *-ideal) containing $J^n + XK[X]$ and contained in the same prime *-ideals P + XK[X], as J + K[X] is. Consequently. $F^r = f((X)^r(J^r + XK[X]) \subseteq f((X)^r(H + XK[X]).$

Conversely suppose that D+XK[X] a *SAB (resp., *SAP) domain. Then in particular for every set $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in D \setminus (0)$, there is a natural number r and a principal ideal (resp., *-invertible *-ideal) J of R such that $((x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)R)^r \subseteq J$ where J is contained in each of the prime *-ideals $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)R = (x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) + XK[X]$ is contained in. Obviously, as $((x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)R)^r \cap D \neq (0), J = H + XK[X]$ where H is a principal ideal (resp., *-invertible *-ideal) because J is. But then every prime *-ideal containing J and $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) + XK[X]$ is of the form P + XK[X] where P contains H and $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$. Also since $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)^r + XK[X] \subseteq J = H + XK[X]$ we have $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)^r \subseteq H$. Indeed H is contained in the same prime *-ideals that contain $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$. Since the choice of $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in D \setminus \{0\}$ is arbitrary we conclude that D is a *-SAB (*-SAP) domain.

(3) For L a field extension of K, the D+XL[X] construction from a *-SAB (resp., *-SAP) domain delivers a *-SAB (resp., *-SAP) domain. More precisely we have the following result. (Theorem 4.5 can actually replace Theorem 4.4 but while Theorem 4.4 delivers AGCD domain from AGCD domains directly, Theorem 4.5 may need an adjustment.)

Theorem 4.5. Let L be an extension of the quotient field K of D and let X be an indeterminate over L. Then D is a *-SAB (resp., *-SAP) domain if and only if R = D + XL[X] is.

Proof. Let $F = (f_1, f_2, ..., f_n)$. Then according to [54, Proposition 3], F = f(X)(J +XK[X]) where $f(X) \in R$ and J is a finitely generated D-submodule of L If f(0) =0, we conclude that $f(X) = g(X)(lX^r)$ where $g(0) = 1, l \in L \setminus \{0\}$ and r > 0. This gives $F^2 = g(X)^2(l^2X^{2r})(J+XL[X])^2 \subseteq g(X)X(J+XL[X])$. Obviously F is contained in the same prime t-ideals as q(X)X(J+XL[X]) is. Two cases arise here: (a) J is an ideal of D and (b) J is a D-submodule of L such that J is not contained in D. In case (b), XL[X] is the only prime *-ideal containing X(J+XL[X]). Thus g(X)X(J+XL[X]) is contained in the same prime t-ideals that g(X)X is contained in. But $F^4 \subseteq g(X)XR$, which is a principal ideal and hence a *-invertible *-ideal. In case (a) as D is a *-SAB (resp., *-SAP) domain and as J is a finitely generated ideal of D, for some natural number $r, J^r \subseteq H$ where H is a principal ideal (resp., *-invertble *-ideal) and H is contained in the same prime *-ideals as J. But then H + XL[X] is a principal ideal (resp., *-invertible *-ideal) that is contained in the same prime *-ideals as J + XL[X] is. Thus $F^{2r} \subseteq g(X)^r X^r (J + XL[X])^r \subseteq$ $g(X)^r X^r (H + XL[X])$ which is a principal ideal (resp., *-invertble *-ideal) that is contained in the same prime *-ideals as F. If $f(X) \neq 0$, we can take f(0) = 1 and so f(X) = 1 or $f(X) = p_1^{r_1} ... p_s^{r_s}$ where $p_i R$ is a height one maximal ideal, for each i and J is a finitely generated ideal of D. In both cases $F^n = f((X)^n(J^n + XL[X])$ for all natural numbers n. Next as J is a finitely generated ideal of D, and D is a *-SAB (*-SAP) domain, we have a natural number r and a principal ideal (resp., *-invertible *-ideal) H such that H is contained in each prime *-ideal that contains J^r . But then, as above, H + XL[X] is a principal ideal (resp., *-invertible *-ideal) containing $J^n + XL[X]$ and contained in the same prime *-ideals P + XL[X], as J+L[X]. Thus $F^r=f((X)^r(J^r+XL[X])\subseteq f((X)^r(H+XL[X])$.

Conversely suppose that D + XL[X] a *-SAB (*-SAP) domain. Then, in particular, for every set $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in D \setminus (0)$, there is a natural number r and a principal ideal (resp., *-invertible *-ideal) J of R such that $((x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)R)^r \subseteq J$ where J is contained in each of the prime *-ideals $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)R = (x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) + XL[X]$

is contained in. Obviously, as $((x_1,x_2,...,x_n)R)^r \cap D \neq (0)$, J=H+XL[X]=H(D+XL[X]) where H is a principal ideal (resp., *-invertible *-ideal) because J is. But then every prime *-ideal containing J and $(x_1,x_2,...,x_n)+XL[X]$ is of the form P+XL[X] where P contains H and $(x_1,x_2,...,x_n)$. Also since $(x_1,x_2,...,x_n)^r+XL[X]\subseteq J=H+XL[X]$ we have $(x_1,x_2,...,x_n)^r\subseteq H$. Indeed H is contained in the same prime *-ideals that contain $(x_1,x_2,...,x_n)$. Since the choice of $x_1,x_2,...,x_n\in D\backslash\{0\}$ is arbitrary we conclude that D is a *-SAB (*-SAP) domain.

Remark 4.6. Since by definition a *-SAB domain is a *-SAP domain, any result proved for a *-SAP domain will hold for a *-SAB domain, especially in the context of finiteness of character of these domains. However, before we get to that , we take a somewhat more general line.

A domain D is said to be of finite *-character if every nonzero non-unit x of D belongs to only a finite number of maximal *-ideals. There have been several efforts at characterizing when a domain is of finite *-character e.g. [19], [18] etc.. But, as we shall see below, the following is the most comprehensive treatment, that may even take care of some kinks in earlier efforts.

Let f(D) (resp., $f_t(D)$) be the set of proper nonzero finitely generated ideals (proper t-ideals of finite type) and let $f_*(D)$ denote f(D) (for *=d) (resp., $f_t(D)$ for *=t). Also let P be a property that defines a non-empty subset Γ of proper ideals of f(D), (resp., proper members of $f_t(D)$). We say that $f_*(D)$ meets P (denoted $f_*(D) \triangleleft P$ if for all $I \in f_*(D)$ we have $I \subseteq \gamma$ for some $\gamma \in \Gamma$. We also say, as we have done at the start, that $f_*(D)$ meets P with a twist (denoted $f_*(D) \triangleleft^t P$) if for all $I \in f_*(D)$ we have $I^n \subseteq \gamma$ for some positive integer n = n(I) and for some $\gamma \in \Gamma$. Since $f_*(D) \triangleleft^t P$ reduces to $f_*(D) \triangleleft P$ when we require n = n(I) = 1, we shall mainly deal with $f_*(D) \triangleleft^t P$. (It may be noted that domains D satisfying $f_*(D) \triangleleft^t P$ are nothing but infra *-ABF (resp., infra *-ABF) domains which, as we shall later see, are different from the *-SAB (*-SAP) domains.) In this regard we need to make some preparation. Let I be a proper *-ideal of finite type of D. By the Span of I (denoted Span(I)) we mean the set of factors, from Γ , of all positive integral powers of I. We say that *-ideals of finite type of D satisfy Conrad's twisted condition (F^t) if for each proper finite type *-ideal I, Span(I) does not contain an infinite sequence of mutually *-comaximal members. Let's also call a finite type *-ideal I *-homogeneous if Span(I) contains no two *-comaximal members of Γ . We note that if J contains a power of I then $Span(J) \subseteq Span(I)$. Also if I and J are *-comaximal then $Span(I) \cap Span(J) = \phi$.

Lemma 4.7. Let D be a domain such that $f_*(D) \triangleleft^t P$. Then (1) I is a *-homogeneous ideal of D if and only if I is contained in a unique maximal *-ideal M, (2) $M = \{x \in D | (x, I)^* \neq D\} = M(I)$, (3) I, J are *-comaximal if and only if $Span(I) \cap Span(J) = \phi$ and (4) Let I and J be *-homogeneous. Then $(I, J)^* = D$ or M(I) = M(J).

Proof. Suppose that I is a *-homogeneous ideal and that I is contained in two maximal *-ideals M_1, M_2 . Since M_i are distinct we can assume that there is $x \in M_1 \backslash M_2$ and so $(x, M_2)^* = D$ or $(x, x_1, ..., x_r)^* = D$, where $x_1, ..., x_r \in M_2$. This gives us $(I, x)^* \subseteq M_1$ and $(I, x_1, ..., x_r)^* \subseteq M_2$. Now, by definition, there is a natural number m such that $I^m \subseteq (I, x)^m \subseteq \gamma_1 \in \Gamma$ and another natural number n such that $I^n \subseteq (I, x_1, ..., x_r)^n \subseteq \gamma_2 \in \Gamma$. But then, Span(I) contains two *-comaximal

ideals, γ_1, γ_2 , a contradiction. Conversely suppose that I is contained in a unique maximal ideal M. Then every factor of every power of I is contained in M and so no pair of those factors can be *-comaximal. For part (2) let $I \subseteq M$ and let, for $x \in D$, $(x, I)^* \neq D$. This requires that $(x, I)^*$ is contained in some maximal *-ideal, but M is the only maximal *-ideal that can contain I, whence $x \in M$. For (3) we prove the contrapositive i.e. $Span(I) \cap Span(J) \neq \phi \Leftrightarrow (I, J)^* \neq D$. Now if $Span(I) \cap Span(J) \neq \phi$, then there is $H \in \Gamma$ such that $I^n, J^m \subseteq H$. But as H is a proper (*-) ideal, $(I, J)^* \neq D$. Conversely suppose $(I, J)^* \neq D$. Then, since we are working in a domain D with $f_*(D) \triangleleft^t P$, there is a natural number n and a $\gamma \in \Gamma$ such that $(I, J)^n \subseteq \gamma$. But this gives $I^n, J^n \subseteq \gamma$, which means $Span(I) \cap Span(J) \neq \phi$. Finally for (4) note that if $(I, J)^* \neq D$ then, by definition, $(I, J)^n \subseteq \gamma$, for some natural number n and for some $\gamma \in \Gamma$. This gives $\gamma \in Span(I) \cap Span(J)$. Forcing γ to be *-homogeneous and hence contained in a unique maximal *-ideal, $M(\gamma)$. But then it is easy to see that $M(I) = M(\gamma) = M(J)$. \square

Theorem 4.8. Given that D is such that $f_*(D) \triangleleft^t P$ and D satisfies Conrad's twisted condition (F^t) . For each $I \in f_*(D)$, I is contained in at most a finite number of maximal *-ideals. Conversely if D is of finite *-character then D satisfies (F^t)

Proof. We first show that for every $I \in f_*(D)$, there is a positive integer n such that I^n is contained in some *-homogeneous ideal $J \in \Gamma$. That is for every $I \in f_*(D)$, Span(I) contains at least one *-homogeneous member of Γ . Suppose that for some $I \in f_*(D)$, Span(I) does not contain any *-homogeneous ideal. Then Span(I)contains at least two *-comaximal members. Noting that each of the two J_1, J_2 has at least two *-comaximal members of Γ in its span, we conclude that there are at least four mutually *-comaximal members of Γ say $J_{i1}, J_{i2} \in Span(J_i)$, in view of the fact that $\cap Span(J_i) = \phi$. Also since $Span(J_i) \subseteq Span(I)$ we conclude that at stage 2 Span(I) contains at least four = 2^2 mutually *-comaximal members of Γ . Since the spans of the resulting four mutually *-comaximal members are mutually disjoint, contained in Span(I) are mutually disjoint and since, by the condition, span of each of these four contains at least two mutually *-comaximal members of Γ , we conclude that at stage 3 Span(I) has at least 2^3 mutually *-comaximal members of Γ . Proceeding thus, we may assume that at stage n-1 there are at least 2^{n-1} mutually *-comaximal members of Γ , $K_1, K_2, \ldots, K_{2^{n-1}}$ in Span(I). Again, noting that $Span(K_i)$ are mutually disjoint and because Span(I) contains no *-homogeneous members of Γ , each of $Span(K_i)$ contains at least two *-comaximal *-invertible *-ideals. But then, at stage n, Span(I) contains at least 2^n mutually *-comaximal members. Now because of the assumption that Span(I) contains no *-homogeneous members of Γ , this process is never ending and forces Span(I) to have infinitely many mutually *-comaximal members from Γ . But this is contrary to the twisted (F^t) condition of Conrad's. Whence, for some L in Span(I), Span(L)contains a *-homogeneous ideal J. But as $I^m \subseteq L$ for some m and $L^n \subseteq J$ for some n we conclude that $I^{mn} \subseteq J$.

Next, let H(I) be the set of all *-homogeneous ideals contained in Span(I) and note that "is non *-comaximal with" is an equivalence relation on I and that members in distinct classes are mutually *-comaximal. Now pick one *-homogeneous ideal from each class to get a set of mutually *-comaximal *-homogeneous ideals. By Conrad's twisted condition there must be a finite number l of *-homogeneous mutually *-comaximal members in Span(I), say $h_1, h_2, ..., h_l$ and by construction this number is exact.

Let $M(h_i)$ be the maximal *-ideal containing h_i , for i = 1, ..., l. Claim that $\{M(h_i)\}$ are the only maximal *-ideals that contain I. For if not and if M is another maximal *-ideal containing I, then M contains (I, x) where $x \in M \setminus \bigcup \{M(h_i)\}$. But then, as we have shown above, there is a *-homogeneous ideal $\gamma \in \Gamma$ and a natural number n such that $(I, x)^n \subseteq \gamma$. This forces $\gamma \in Span(I)$. But then γ has to be non- *-comaximal to one of h_i and hence in $M(h_i)$. But that is impossible because $x \notin M(h_i)$. Consequently, I is contained exactly in $M(h_1), ..., M(h_l)$.

Conversely suppose that D is of finite *-character, then we show that for any *-ideal I of finite type Span(I) contains at most a finite number of mutually *-comaximal *-ideals from Γ . Suppose on the contrary that Span(I) contains infinitely many mutually *-comaximal members of Γ and let $\{\gamma_i\}$ be a list of the mutually *-comaximal elements of Γ contained in Span(I). If M_{γ_i} is a maximal *-ideal containing γ_i then since $I^{\alpha_i} \subseteq \gamma_i \subseteq M_{\gamma_i}$ we have $I \subseteq M_{\gamma_i}$. Now as M_{γ_i} cannot contain two *-comaximal ideals, all the M_{γ_i} are distinct. Thus we end up with an infinite set of distinct maximal *-ideals containing I. But this contradicts the assumption that D is of finite *-character. Hence Span(I) contains only a finite number of mutually *-comaximal ideals from Γ .

Corollary 6. Let D be a *-SAB domain. Then D is of finite *-character if and only if every power of a proper *-ideal of finite type is contained in an at most a finite number of disjoint members of Γ .

Proof. The proof follows from the fact that a *-SAB domain domain is a special case of infra *-AB Γ domains.

Our aim now is to record the consequences of the following statement: An integral domain D is of finite *-character if and only if (a) every *-locally finitely generated *-ideal of D is of finite type if, and only if, (b) Every nonzero *-ideal A of finite type of D is power divisible by at most a finite number of mutually *-comaximal members of Γ . Here an ideal A is *-locally finitely generated if AD_M is finitely generated for each maximal *-ideal M of D.

Lemma 4.9. Let M be a maximal t-ideal of an integral domain D with the property that every nonzero finitely generated proper ideal A of D is strictly power divisible by a t-invertible t-ideal of D contained in M. Then MD_M is a t-ideal.

Proof. Suppose that MD_M is not a t-ideal. Then for a finitely generated $F \subseteq MD_M$ we have $F = fD_M \subseteq MD_M$, where f is a finitely generated nonzero ideal contained in M, we have, for $v_1 = v$ -operation in D_M , $F_{v_1} = (fD_M)_{v_1} = (f_vD_M)_{v_1} = D_M = (F^m)_{v_1} = (f^mD_M)_{v_1} = (f^mD_M)_{v_1} = D_M$, for all natural numbers m. On the other hand, if $f = (x_1, ..., x_n)$, then $f^r \subseteq I$ where I is a t-invertible t-ideal contained in M. But then $(F^s) = (f^sD_M) \subseteq ID_M \subseteq MD_M$, which forces $(F^s)_{v_1} = (f^sD_M)_{v_1} = (f^mD_M)_{v_1} \subseteq MD_M$, a contradiction.

Noting that if D is an SAP (i.e., a d-SAP) domain every prime ideal is a t-ideal the following theorem can be stated for both d- and t-SAP domains.

Theorem 4.10. Let D be a *-SAP domain. If every nonzero *-ideal of D that is *-locally finitely generated is of finite type, every proper nonzero principal ideal of D is power divisible by at most a finite number of mutually *-comaximal ideals of finite type.

Proof. Suppose that A is power divisible by an infinite set $\{I_{\alpha}\}$ of mutually *comaximal *-invertible *-ideals. Choose an $x \in A \setminus \{0\}$. Let n_{α} be, the smallest such that $x^{n_{\alpha}}D\subseteq I_{\alpha}$. Two cases are possible: (a) there is $n\geq 1$ such that $x^{n}D\subseteq$ I_{α_i} , for infinitely many α_i and (b) there is no fixed n such that $x^nD\subseteq I_{\alpha_i}$ for infinitely many α_i . In case (a) using [51, Lemmas 1,2 and Proposition 4] set $B = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} x^n (\prod_{i=1}^{i} I_{\alpha_i})^{-1}$ to get a *-locally principal ideal that is a *-ideal, being an ascending union $\int x^n (\prod_{i=1}^i I_{\alpha_i})^{-1}$ of *-ideals. Yet B is not a *-ideal of finite type, as established in Proposition 4 of [51]. For case (b), note that there is no single power n of x such that an infinite number of I_{α} contains x^{n} , for then (a) applies. So for a fixed power x^n there are only finitely many I_{α} that divide x^n . Also as

 I_{α} are mutually *-comaximal, if $x^n \subseteq I_{\alpha_i}$ for i = 1, ..., j, then $x^n D \subseteq (\prod_{\alpha_i} I_{\alpha_i})^*$.

Now let n_1 be the least positive integer such that x^{n_1} is contained in at least one of the I_{α} and let $\{I_{\alpha_{n_1}}, I_{\alpha_{n_1}}, ..., I_{\alpha_{n_1}}\}$ be the set of all the members of

 $\{I_{\alpha}\}$ that contain $x^{n_1}D$. Then, as we have seen above, $x^{n_1}D\subseteq (\prod_{i=1}^{n_1}I_{\alpha_{n_1i}})^*=J_1$.

Next set n_2 as the least such integer that $x^{n_2}D \subseteq (\prod^{j_1} I_{\alpha_{n_1}i})^*$ and at least one

ideal from $\{I_{\alpha}\}\setminus\{I_{\alpha_{n_{1}1}},I_{\alpha_{n_{1}2}},...,I_{\alpha_{n_{1}j_{1}}}\}$. Let $\{I_{\alpha_{n_{2}1}},I_{\alpha_{n_{2}2}},...,I_{\alpha_{n_{2}j_{2}}}\}$ be the set of all the members of $\{I_{\alpha}\}\setminus\{I_{\alpha_{n_{1}1}},I_{\alpha_{n_{1}2}},...,I_{\alpha_{n_{1}j_{1}}}\}$ that contain $x^{n_{2}}D$. Thus giving

us $x^{n_2}D\subseteq (\prod_{i=1}^{j_1}I_{\alpha_{n_1i}}\prod_{i=1}^{j_2}I_{\alpha_{n_2i}})^*=J_1J_2$. Continuing thus and setting up $J_k=$

 $(\prod_{i=1}^{J^k}I_{\alpha_{n_ki}})^* \text{ we get } x^{n_k}D\subseteq J_1J_2...J_k \text{ and so } x^{n_k}\prod_{i=1}^kJ_i^{-1}\subseteq D. \text{ It is easy to see that } n_1< n_2<...< n_k< n_{k+1}....$

Set $B = (\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x^{n_k} \prod_{i=1}^{k} J_i^{-1})_{*_w}$ (Note that as we are only dealing with t- and d- op-

erations, $*_w = w$ or d.) Claim $B \neq D$. For B = D implies $D = (\sum_{i=1}^{s} x^{n_{k_r}} \prod_{i=1}^{k_r} J_i^{-1})_{*_w}$

for finite s. Assume $n_{k_1} < ... < n_{k_s}$. Then, using the fact that $(A_1, A_2, ..., A_r)_{*_w} = D$ if and only if $(A_1^{n_1}, A_2^{n_2}, ..., A_r^{n_r})_{*_w} = D$, for any nonnegative integers n_i , D = 0

$$(\sum_{r=1}^{s} x^{n_{k_s}} (\prod_{i=1}^{k_r} J_i^{-1}) (\prod_{i=1}^{k_r} J_i^{-1})^{k_s-k_r})_{*_w} = D, \text{ for any nonnegative integers } n_i, D = (\sum_{r=1}^{s} x^{n_{k_s}} (\prod_{i=1}^{k_r} J_i^{-1}) (\prod_{i=1}^{k_r} J_i^{-1})^{k_s-k_r})_{*_w} = x^{n_{k_s}} ((\prod_{i=1}^{k_{r_1}} J_i^{-1})^{k_s-k_1}, (\prod_{i=1}^{k_{r_2}} J_i^{-1})^{k_s-k_2}, ..., (\prod_{i=1}^{k_{r_s}} J_i^{-1}))_{*_w}.$$
This gives $x^{n_{k_s}} = ((\prod_{i=1}^{k_r} J_i)^{k_s-k_1})^* \cap ... \cap (\prod_{i=1}^{k_{r_s}} J_i)^*$ forcing $x^{n_{k_s}}$ to be a *-product

of powers of J_i , i = 1, 2, ..., s. But then higher powers of x cannot be divisible by the remaining members of $\{I_{\alpha}\}$ which contradicts the assumption. Let's note that B is not of finite type for if that were the case we would have, say,

$$B = (\sum_{r=1}^{s} x^{n_{k_r}} \prod_{i=1}^{k_r} J_i^{-1})_{*_w} \text{ for finite } s. \text{ Assume } n_{k_1} < \ldots < n_{k_s}. \text{ But, by construction,}$$

$$B\supseteq x^{n_{k_{s+1}}}\prod_{i=1}^{k_{s+1}}J_{i}^{-1}\text{ or }(\sum_{r=1}^{s}x^{n_{k_{r}}}\prod_{i=1}^{k_{r}}J_{i}^{-1})_{*_{w}}\supseteq x^{n_{k_{s+1}}}\prod_{i=1}^{k_{s+1}}J_{i}^{-1}\text{ or }x^{n_{k_{s+1}}-n_{k_{1}}}\subseteq (\prod_{i=1}^{k_{s+1}}J_{i}(\sum_{r=1}^{s}x^{n_{k_{r}}-n_{k_{1}}}\prod_{i=1}^{k_{r}}J_{i}^{-1}))_{*_{w}}\text{ or }x^{n_{k_{s+1}}-n_{k_{1}}}\subseteq ((\sum_{r=1}^{s}x^{n_{k_{r}}-n_{k_{1}}}\prod_{i=1}^{k_{r}}J_{i}\prod_{i=1}^{k_{r}}J_{i}^{-1}))_{*_{w}}\subseteq J_{k_{s+1}}\text{ which is impossible.}$$

On the other hand B_{*_w} is *-locally finitely generated, as we see below. Note that as MD_M is a t-ideal, only one of the J_i can be a non-unit and also as $n_1 < n_2 < 1$

...
$$< n_k < n_{k+1}$$
...., we conclude that $B_{*_w}D_M = BD_M = (\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x^{n_k} \prod_{i=1}^k J_i^{-1})D_M$
 $= \sum_{j=1}^{j=k-1} x^{n_1}D_M + x^{n_k}J_k^{-1}D_M + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x^{n_{k+i}}J_k^{-1}D_M = x^{n_1}D_M + x^{n_k}J_k^{-1}D_M$. Since J_k is a *-invertible *-ideal, we have $J_k^{-1}D_M$ principal and thus $B_wD_M = BD_M = x^{n_1}D_M + x^{n_k}J_k^{-1}D_M$ is two generated. Thus B_w is t-locally finitely generated, yet as we have already seen B_w is not of finite type, a contradiction. This contradiction establishes that if every w-ideal that is t-locally finitely generated is of finite type, then every nonzero non-unit is power divisible by at most a finite number of mutually *-comaximal *-invertible *-ideals.

Corollary 7. Let D be a *-SAP domain then D is of finite *-character if and only if every *-locally finitely generated *-ideal of D is of *-finite type.

Proof. By Theorem ZC8, every *-locally finitely generated ideal I of D being of finite type forces D to satisfy Conrad's (F^t) and by Theorem ZC5 D is of finite *-character. The converse is easy to construct.

Corollary 8. (cf. [13]) Let D be a *-AP domain. If every *-locally finitely generated $*_w$ -ideal of D is a *-ideal of finite type then D is of finite *-character.

Finally let's note that a domain satisfying $f_*(D) \triangleleft^t P$ (or an infra *-AB Γ) domain may not necessarily be a *-SAB or a *-SAP domain. For this note that every pre-Schreier domain D has the property that if $(x_1, ..., x_r)_v \neq D$ then there is a non-unit $d \in D$ such that $(x_1, ..., x_r)_v \subseteq dD$ [48, Lemma 2.1]. But there is a pre-Schreier domain D with a maximal t-ideal M with MD_M not a t-ideal (see e.g. Example 2.7 of [53]). On the other hand a *-SAP and hence a *-domain is well behaved, according to Lemma ZC7.

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