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# The $A + XB[X]$ construction from Prüfer $v$ -multiplication domains



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## ABSTRACT

Let  $A \subseteq B$  be an extension of integral domains,  $X$  be an indeterminate over  $B$ , and  $R = A + XB[X]$ . We prove that if  $B$  is  $t$ -flat over  $A$ , then  $R$  is a PvMD if and only if  $A$  is a PvMD and  $B = A_{\mathfrak{S}}$  for  $\mathfrak{S}$  a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals of  $A$ . We also prove that  $R$  is a GGCD domain if and only if  $A$  is a GGCD domain and  $B = A_{\mathfrak{S}}$  for  $\mathfrak{S}$  a  $d$ -splitting set of ideals of  $A$ . Finally, we use this result to recover that  $R$  is a GCD domain if and only if  $A$  is a GCD domain and  $B = A_S$  for some splitting set  $S$  of  $A$ .

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## 0. Introduction

Let  $D$  be an integral domain,  $qf(D)$  be the quotient field of  $D$ ,  $S$  be a (saturated) multiplicative set of  $D$ ,  $X$  be an indeterminate over  $D$ , and  $D^{(S)} = D + XD_S[X]$ ; so  $D[X] \subseteq D^{(S)} \subseteq D + XK[X]$ , where  $K = qf(D)$ . In particular, if  $S$  is the set of units

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of  $D$  (resp.,  $S = D \setminus \{0\}$ ), then  $D^{(S)} = D[X]$  (resp.,  $D^{(S)} = D + XK[X]$ ). We plan to include, in Sections 0.1 and 0.2, a sufficient introduction to the terminology used in this paper and in this introduction. If needed the readers may read Sections 0.1 and 0.2 first, for a better understanding.

Let  $T = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{N}} R_n$  be a nontrivial graded integral domain graded by  $\mathbb{N}$ , the monoid of nonnegative integers. Then  $T$  is a Prüfer domain if and only if  $R_0$  is a Prüfer domain and  $T \cong R_0 + yK_0[y]$ , where  $K_0 = qf(R_0)$  and  $y$  is an indeterminate over  $R_0$  [15, Proposition 3.4]. This type of integral domains were first studied in [13] where the authors proved that  $D^{(S)}$  is a GCD domain if and only if  $D$  is a GCD domain and  $\text{GCD}(d, X)$  exists in  $D^{(S)}$  for all  $0 \neq d \in D$ . They also studied several ring-theoretic properties (for example, Bezout domain, Prüfer domain,  $v$ -domain, PvMD) of the ring  $D + XK[X]$ . Later, in [29], it was shown that  $D^{(S)}$  is a GCD domain if and only if  $D$  is a GCD domain and  $S$  is a splitting set of  $D$ . Also, in [2], the authors proved that  $D^{(S)}$  is a PvMD (resp., GGCD domain) if and only if  $D$  is a PvMD (resp., GGCD domain) and  $S$  is a  $t$ -splitting (resp.,  $d$ -splitting) set of  $D$ .

Let  $A \subseteq B$  be an extension of integral domains,  $X$  be an indeterminate over  $B$ , and  $R = A + XB[X]$ . It is known that if  $R$  is a PvMD, then  $B$  is an overring of  $A$  [6, Proposition 2.6(1)] and that  $R$  is a GCD domain if and only if  $A$  is a GCD domain and  $B = A_S$  for  $S$  a splitting set of  $A$  [6, Theorem 2.10]. In this paper, we study when  $R$  is a PvMD or a GGCD domain; hence, by [6, Proposition 2.6(1)], we may assume that  $B$  is an overring of  $A$ . (An *overring* of  $A$  means a ring between  $A$  and the quotient field of  $A$ .) We begin with a study of a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals, in Section 1. Let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be a multiplicative set of ideals of  $A$ . In Section 2, we show that if  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals and  $A$  is a PvMD, then  $A + XA_{\mathfrak{S}}[X]$  is a PvMD; moreover, if  $B$  is  $t$ -flat over  $A$ , then  $R$  a PvMD implies that  $A$  is a PvMD and  $B = A_{\mathfrak{S}}$  for  $\mathfrak{S}$  a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals of  $A$ . Finally, in Section 3, we first define the notion of  $d$ -splitting sets of ideals and give a nice characterization of  $d$ -splitting sets of ideals. We then prove that  $R$  is a GGCD domain if and only if  $A$  is a GGCD domain and  $B = A_{\mathfrak{S}}$  for  $\mathfrak{S}$  a  $d$ -splitting set of ideals of  $A$ . We use this result to recover Anderson and El Abidine’s result [6, Theorem 2.10] that  $R = A + XB[X]$  is a GCD domain if and only if  $A$  is a GCD domain and  $B = A_S$  for some splitting set  $S$  of  $A$ .

0.1. Star operations and related notations

Let  $D$  be an integral domain with quotient field  $K$ . Let  $\mathbf{F}(D)$  be the set of nonzero fractional ideals of  $D$ , i.e.,  $I \in \mathbf{F}(D)$  if  $I$  is a nonzero  $D$ -submodule of  $K$  with  $dI \subseteq D$  for some  $0 \neq d \in D$ . For  $I \in \mathbf{F}(D)$ , let  $I^{-1} = \{x \in K \mid xI \subseteq D\}$ ,  $I_v = (I^{-1})^{-1}$ ,  $I_t = \bigcup \{J_v \mid J \subseteq I \text{ and } J \in \mathbf{F}(D) \text{ is finitely generated}\}$ , and  $I_d = I$ . It is well known and easy to show that if  $* = v, t$ , or  $d$ , then  $(aD)_* = aD$ ,  $(aI)_* = aI_*$ ,  $I \subseteq I_*$ ,  $I \subseteq J$  implies  $I_* \subseteq J_*$ , and  $(I_*)_* = I_*$  for all  $0 \neq a \in K$  and  $I, J \in \mathbf{F}(D)$ .

More generally, a mapping  $*$  of  $\mathbf{F}(D)$  into  $\mathbf{F}(D)$  is called a *star-operation* on  $D$  if for all  $0 \neq a \in K$  and  $I, J \in \mathbf{F}(D)$ , the following conditions are satisfied:

- (1)  $(aD)^* = aD$  and  $(aI)^* = aI^*$ ,
- (2)  $I \subseteq I^*$ ;  $I \subseteq J$  implies  $I^* \subseteq J^*$ , and
- (3)  $(I^*)^* = I^*$ .

Given a star operation  $*$  on  $D$ , one can construct a new star operation  $*_f$  by setting  $I^{*f} = \bigcup \{J^* \mid J \subseteq I \text{ and } J \in \mathbf{F}(D) \text{ is finitely generated}\}$  for all  $I \in \mathbf{F}(D)$ . A star operation  $*$  on  $D$  is said to be of *finite type* if  $*_f = *$ . Obviously,  $(*_f)_f = *_f$ , and hence  $*_f$  is of finite type. An  $I \in \mathbf{F}(D)$  is called a *\*-ideal* if  $I^* = I$ , and we say that a *\*-ideal* is a *maximal \*-ideal* if it is maximal among proper integral *\*-ideals* of  $D$ . Let  $*\text{-Max}(D)$  denote the set of maximal *\*-ideals* of  $D$ . It may happen that  $*\text{-Max}(D) = \emptyset$  even though  $D$  is not a field (for example, if  $D$  is a rank-one nondiscrete valuation domain, then  $v\text{-Max}(D) = \emptyset$ ). However, it is well known that  $*_f\text{-Max}(D) \neq \emptyset$  when  $D$  is not a field; a maximal  $*_f$ -ideal is a prime ideal; each prime ideal minimal over a  $*_f$ -ideal is a  $*_f$ -ideal; and  $I^{*f} = \bigcap_{P \in *_f\text{-Max}(D)} I^{*f} D_P$  for all  $I \in \mathbf{F}(D)$ . We know that if  $*$  is any star operation on  $D$ , then  $I_d \subseteq I^{*f} \subseteq I^* \subseteq I_v$  and  $I^{*f} \subseteq I_t$  for all  $I \in \mathbf{F}(D)$ . An  $I \in \mathbf{F}(D)$  is said to be *\*-invertible* if  $(II^{-1})^* = D$ . It is well known that  $I$  is  $*_f$ -invertible if and only if  $I^{*f}$  is of finite type and  $ID_P$  is principal for all  $P \in *_f\text{-Max}(D)$  [21, Proposition 2.6]. We say that  $D$  is a *Prüfer \*-multiplication domain* ( $P^*MD$ ) if every nonzero finitely generated ideal of  $D$  is  $*_f$ -invertible. Hence,  $PdMD$ s are just the Prüfer domains. An integral domain  $D$  is a GCD domain if  $aD \cap bD$  is principal for all  $0 \neq a, b \in D$ , while  $D$  is a *generalized GCD domain* (GGCD domain) if  $aD \cap bD$  is invertible for all  $0 \neq a, b \in D$ . Clearly,

$$\text{GCD domain} \Rightarrow \text{GGCD domain} \Rightarrow \text{PvMD}.$$

Let  $T(D)$  be the group of  $t$ -invertible fractional  $t$ -ideals of  $D$  under the  $t$ -multiplication  $I*J = (IJ)_t$ , and let  $\text{Inv}(D)$  (resp.,  $\text{Prin}(D)$ ) be its subgroup of invertible (resp., nonzero principal) fractional ideals of  $D$ . Then  $\text{Cl}(D) = T(D)/\text{Prin}(D)$ , called the *class group of  $D$* , is an abelian group and  $\text{Pic}(D) = \text{Inv}(D)/\text{Prin}(D)$ , the *Picard group of  $D$* , is a subgroup of  $\text{Cl}(D)$ . Clearly, if each maximal ideal of  $D$  is a  $t$ -ideal (e.g., in a Prüfer domain), then  $\text{Cl}(D) = \text{Pic}(D)$ . It is well known that  $D$  is a GCD domain (resp., GGCD domain) if and only if  $D$  is a PvMD and  $\text{Cl}(D) = 0$  (resp.,  $\text{Cl}(D) = \text{Pic}(D)$ ). For basic properties of star operations, see [19, §32].

## 0.2. Multiplicative sets and multiplicative sets of ideals

Let  $S$  be a saturated multiplicative set of an integral domain  $D$ , and let  $N(S) = \{0 \neq a \in D \mid (a, s)_v = D \text{ for all } s \in S\}$ . We say that  $S$  is a *splitting set* if each nonzero  $d \in D$  can be written as  $d = st$  for some  $s \in S$  and  $t \in N(S)$ . Let  $* = t$  or  $d$ . Then  $S$  is called a *\*-splitting set* if, for each  $0 \neq d \in D$ , we have  $dD = (IJ)_*$ , where  $I$  and  $J$  are ideals of  $D$  with  $I_* \cap sD = sI_*$  for all  $s \in S$  and  $J_* \cap S \neq \emptyset$ . The notions of *\*-splitting sets* were introduced in [2] in order to study when  $D + XD_S[X]$  is a PvMD or a GGCD domain.

Let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be a multiplicative set of ideals of  $D$ ,  $sp(\mathfrak{S}) = \{I \mid I \text{ is an ideal of } D \text{ and } J \subseteq I \text{ for some } J \in \mathfrak{S}\}$ , and  $\mathfrak{S}^\perp$  be the set of ideals  $I$  of  $D$  with  $(I + A)_t = D$  for all  $A \in \mathfrak{S}$ . Then  $D_{\mathfrak{S}} = \{x \in K \mid xI \subseteq D \text{ for some } I \in \mathfrak{S}\}$  is an overring of  $D$  called the  $\mathfrak{S}$ -transform of  $D$  or a generalized transform of  $D$ . Clearly,  $\mathfrak{S}^\perp = sp(\mathfrak{S}^\perp) = sp(\mathfrak{S})^\perp$  and  $D_{\mathfrak{S}} = D_{sp(\mathfrak{S})}$ . For basic properties of generalized transforms of  $D$ , see [10]. As in [18], we say that  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $v$ -finite if for each  $I \in \mathfrak{S}$ , there is a nonzero finitely ideal  $J$  of  $D$  such that  $J_v \in sp(\mathfrak{S})$  and  $J_v \subseteq I_t$ . Following [12], we say that  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals if each nonzero  $d \in D$  can be written as  $dD = (IJ)_t$  for some  $I \in sp(\mathfrak{S})$  and  $J \in \mathfrak{S}^\perp$ . Clearly,  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $t$ -splitting if and only if  $sp(\mathfrak{S})$  is  $t$ -splitting, if and only if  $\mathfrak{S}^\perp$  is  $t$ -splitting [12, Proposition 2]. Also, if  $S$  is a multiplicative set of  $D$ , then  $\mathfrak{S} := \{aD \mid a \in S\}$  is a  $v$ -finite multiplicative set of ideals such that  $D_S = D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ , and  $S$  is a  $t$ -splitting set if and only if  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals.

**1.  $t$ -Splitting set of ideals and  $t$ -flatness**

Let  $D$  be an integral domain,  $K = qf(D)$ , and  $\mathfrak{S}$  be a multiplicative set of ideals of  $D$ . We begin this section by recalling a nice characterization of  $t$ -splitting sets of ideals.

**Proposition 1.1.** (See [12, Proposition 5].) *Let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be a multiplicative set of ideals of  $D$ . Then  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $t$ -splitting if and only if  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $v$ -finite and  $dD_{\mathfrak{S}} \cap D$  is  $t$ -invertible for all  $0 \neq d \in D$ .*

For an ideal  $I$  of  $D$ , let  $I_{\mathfrak{S}} = \{x \in K \mid xJ \subseteq I \text{ for some } J \in \mathfrak{S}\}$ . It is easy to see that  $I_{\mathfrak{S}}$  is an ideal of  $D_{\mathfrak{S}}$  and  $ID_{\mathfrak{S}} \subseteq I_{\mathfrak{S}}$ . Let  $T$  be a multiplicative set of  $D$ , and let  $\mathfrak{F} = \{AD_T \mid A \in \mathfrak{S}\}$ . Clearly,  $\mathfrak{F}$  is a multiplicative set of ideals of  $D_T$ . We next show that if  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $v$ -finite, then  $(D_T)_{\mathfrak{F}} = (D_{\mathfrak{S}})_T$ .

**Proposition 1.2.** *Let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be a  $v$ -finite multiplicative set of ideals of  $D$  (e.g.,  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $t$ -splitting),  $T$  be a multiplicative set of  $D$ , and  $\mathfrak{F} = \{AD_T \mid A \in \mathfrak{S}\}$ .*

- (1)  $(AD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t = D_{\mathfrak{S}}$  for all  $A \in \mathfrak{S}$ .
- (2)  $D_{\mathfrak{S}}$  is  $t$ -flat over  $D$ , i.e.,  $(D_{\mathfrak{S}})_M = D_{M \cap D}$  for every  $M \in t\text{-Max}(D_{\mathfrak{S}})$ .
- (3) If  $J$  is a  $t$ -ideal of  $D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ , then  $J = ((J \cap D)D_{\mathfrak{S}})_t = ((J \cap D)_t D_{\mathfrak{S}})_t$ .
- (4)  $(D_T)_{\mathfrak{F}} = (D_{\mathfrak{S}})_T$ .
- (5) If  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $t$ -splitting, then  $\mathfrak{F}$  is a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals of  $D_T$ .

**Proof.** (1) Since  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $v$ -finite, there exists a nonzero finitely generated ideal  $B$  of  $D$  such that  $B_v \subseteq A_t$  and  $B_v \in sp(\mathfrak{S})$ . Hence,  $x \in (BD_{\mathfrak{S}})^{-1} \Leftrightarrow xB \subseteq D_{\mathfrak{S}}, \Rightarrow xBB_1 \subseteq D$  for some  $B_1 \in \mathfrak{S}$  because  $B$  is finitely generated,  $\Rightarrow xB_t(B_1)_t \subseteq (xBB_1)_t \subseteq D, \Rightarrow x \in D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ . Thus,  $(BD_{\mathfrak{S}})^{-1} = D_{\mathfrak{S}}$  or  $(BD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t = (BD_{\mathfrak{S}})_v = D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ , and since  $B_t \subseteq A_t$ , we have  $D_{\mathfrak{S}} = (BD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t \subseteq (B_t D_{\mathfrak{S}})_t \subseteq (A_t D_{\mathfrak{S}})_t = (AD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t \subseteq D_{\mathfrak{S}}$  (see [21, Lemma 3.4] for the last equality). Therefore,  $(AD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t = D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ .

(2) Let  $Q$  be a maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ , and put  $Q \cap D = P$ . Then  $A \not\subseteq P$  for all  $A \in sp(\mathfrak{S})$  by (1), and thus  $Q = P_{\mathfrak{S}}$  and  $(D_{\mathfrak{S}})_Q = D_P$  [10, Theorem 1.1].

(3) If  $x \in J$ , then  $xA \subseteq J \cap D$  for some  $A \in \mathfrak{S}$ . Hence,  $x \in xD_{\mathfrak{S}} = x(AD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t = (xAD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t \subseteq ((J \cap D)D_{\mathfrak{S}})_t$ . The reverse containment is clear. The second equality is from [21, Lemma 3.4].

(4) ( $\subseteq$ ) Let  $0 \neq \beta \in (D_T)_{\mathfrak{F}}$ . Then  $\beta AD_T \subseteq D_T$  for some  $A \in \mathfrak{S}$ , and since  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $v$ -finite, there is a finitely generated ideal  $J$  of  $D$  such that  $J_v \subseteq A_t$  and  $J_v \in sp(\mathfrak{S})$ . Note that  $\beta J \subseteq \beta(JD_T) \subseteq \beta(J_v D_T)_t \subseteq \beta(A_t D_T)_t = \beta(AD_T)_t \subseteq D_T$ . Since  $J$  is finitely generated, there exists an  $s \in T$  such that  $\beta s J \subseteq D$ , and so  $\beta s J_v \subseteq D$ . Hence,  $\beta s \in D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ , and thus  $\beta \in (D_{\mathfrak{S}})_T$ . ( $\supseteq$ ) Let  $\alpha \in D_{\mathfrak{S}}$  and  $s \in T$ . Then  $\alpha A \subseteq D$  for some  $A \in \mathfrak{S}$ , and hence  $\frac{\alpha}{s} AD_T \subseteq D_T$  and  $AD_T \in \mathfrak{F}$ . Thus,  $\frac{\alpha}{s} \in (D_T)_{\mathfrak{F}}$ .

(5) Let  $0 \neq \alpha \in D_T$ . Then  $\alpha D_T = aD_T$  for some  $a \in D$ , and since  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $t$ -splitting,  $aD = (AB)_t$  for some  $A \in sp(\mathfrak{S})$  and  $B \in \mathfrak{S}^{\perp}$ . Hence,  $\alpha D_T = (AB)_t D_T = ((AB)D_T)_t = ((AD_T)(BD_T))_t$ , where the second equality follows because  $AB$  is  $t$ -invertible. Note that  $AD_T \in sp(\mathfrak{F})$ . Also, if  $C \in \mathfrak{F}$ , then  $C = C_1 D_T$  for some  $C_1 \in \mathfrak{S}$ ; hence  $D_T \supseteq (C + BD_T)_t = (C_1 D_T + BD_T)_t = ((C_1 + B)D_T)_t = ((C_1 + B)_t D_T)_t = D_T$  (cf. [21, Lemma 3.4] for the third equality). Thus,  $BD_T \in \mathfrak{F}^{\perp}$ . Therefore,  $\mathfrak{F}$  is a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals of  $D_T$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 1.3.** *Let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals of  $D$ , and let  $\Lambda = \{P \in t\text{-Max}(D) \mid (PD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t \subsetneq D_{\mathfrak{S}}\}$ .*

- (1)  $t\text{-Spec}(D_{\mathfrak{S}}) = \{P_{\mathfrak{S}} \mid P \in t\text{-Spec}(D) \text{ and } A \not\subseteq P \text{ for all } A \in \mathfrak{S}\}$ .
- (2)  $(PD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t = P_{\mathfrak{S}}$  and  $P_{\mathfrak{S}} \in t\text{-Max}(D_{\mathfrak{S}})$  for all  $P \in \Lambda$ .
- (3)  $t\text{-Max}(D_{\mathfrak{S}}) = \{P_{\mathfrak{S}} \mid P \in \Lambda\}$ .

**Proof.** (1) ( $\subseteq$ ) Let  $Q$  be a prime  $t$ -ideal of  $D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ , and set  $P = Q \cap D$ . Then  $Q = (PD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t = (P_t D_{\mathfrak{S}})_t$  by Proposition 1.2(3), and hence  $P = Q \cap D \supseteq P_t D_{\mathfrak{S}} \cap D \supseteq P_t$ ; so  $P_t = P$ . If  $A \subseteq P$  for some  $A \in \mathfrak{S}$ , then  $Q \supseteq (PD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t \supseteq (AD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t = D_{\mathfrak{S}}$  by Proposition 1.2(1), a contradiction. Thus,  $A \not\subseteq P$  for all  $A \in \mathfrak{S}$ , and hence  $Q = (PD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t = P_{\mathfrak{S}}$  [10, Theorem 1.1]. ( $\supseteq$ ) Let  $P$  be a prime  $t$ -ideal of  $D$  such that  $A \not\subseteq P$  for all  $A \in \mathfrak{S}$ . Then  $P \in \mathfrak{S}^{\perp}$ , and hence  $P = (PD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t \cap (PD_{\mathfrak{S}^{\perp}})_t = (PD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t \cap D_{\mathfrak{S}^{\perp}} = (PD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t \cap D$  by Proposition 1.2(1) and [12, Proposition 8]. So  $(PD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t = P_{\mathfrak{S}}$  [12, Lemma 11], and thus  $P_{\mathfrak{S}}$  is a prime  $t$ -ideal of  $D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ .

(2) If  $P \in \Lambda$ , then  $A \not\subseteq P$  for all  $A \in \mathfrak{S}$  by Proposition 1.2(1), and thus, by the proof of ( $\supseteq$ ) of (1) above,  $(PD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t = P_{\mathfrak{S}}$ . Also, by (1),  $P_{\mathfrak{S}} \in t\text{-Max}(D_{\mathfrak{S}})$ .

(3) Let  $Q$  be a maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ . Then  $Q = ((Q \cap D)D_{\mathfrak{S}})_t = ((Q \cap D)_t D_{\mathfrak{S}})_t$  by Proposition 1.2(3), and hence  $Q \cap D$  is a  $t$ -ideal of  $D$ . Note that  $A \not\subseteq Q \cap D$  for all  $A \in \mathfrak{S}$ ; so  $Q = (Q \cap D)_{\mathfrak{S}}$  [10, Theorem 1.1]. Let  $P$  be a maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $D$  with  $Q \cap D \subseteq P$ . Then  $Q \cap D \in \mathfrak{S}^{\perp}$  implies  $P \in \mathfrak{S}^{\perp}$ , and thus  $Q = (Q \cap Q)_{\mathfrak{S}} \subseteq P_{\mathfrak{S}}$  and  $P_{\mathfrak{S}}$  is a  $t$ -ideal by (1). Therefore,  $Q = P_{\mathfrak{S}}$  and  $P \in \Lambda$ . The reverse containment is from (2) above.  $\square$

**Corollary 1.4.** *Let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals of  $D$ . If  $P$  is a prime  $t$ -ideal of  $D$  containing some  $A \in \mathfrak{S}$ , then  $(D_{\mathfrak{S}})_{D \setminus P} = K$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $\mathfrak{F} = \{AD_P \mid A \in \mathfrak{S}\}$ . Then  $\mathfrak{F}$  is a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals of  $D_P$  and  $(D_{\mathfrak{S}})_{D \setminus P} = (D_P)_{\mathfrak{F}}$  by Proposition 1.2(4) and (5). If  $(D_P)_{\mathfrak{F}} \neq K$ , then there is a nonzero prime ideal  $P_0$  of  $D$  such that  $((P_0D_P)((D_P)_{\mathfrak{F}}))_t$  is a maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $(D_P)_{\mathfrak{F}}$  by Corollary 1.3. Clearly,  $P \in sp(\mathfrak{S})$ , and hence  $P_0 \in sp(\mathfrak{S})$  [12, Proposition 10]; so  $P_0D_P \in sp(\mathfrak{F})$ , and by Proposition 1.2(1),  $((P_0D_P)((D_P)_{\mathfrak{F}}))_t = (D_P)_{\mathfrak{F}}$ , a contradiction. Therefore,  $(D_{\mathfrak{S}})_{D \setminus P} = K$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 1.5.** *If  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals of a valuation domain  $D$ , then  $D_{\mathfrak{S}} = D$  or  $K$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $M$  be the maximal ideal of  $D$ . If  $A \not\subseteq M$  for all  $A \in \mathfrak{S}$ , then  $\mathfrak{S} = \{D\}$ , and hence  $D_{\mathfrak{S}} = D$ . Next, if  $A \subseteq M$  for some  $A \in \mathfrak{S}$ , then  $D_{\mathfrak{S}} = (D_{\mathfrak{S}})_{D \setminus M} = K$  by Corollary 1.4.  $\square$

**Corollary 1.6.** (Cf. [29, Lemma 1.1].) *Let  $D$  be a nontrivial valuation domain,  $V$  be an integral domain with  $D \subsetneq V$ , and  $X$  be an indeterminate over  $V$ . Then the following statements are equivalent.*

- (1)  $D + XV[X]$  is a PvMD.
- (2)  $V = K$ .
- (3)  $D + XV[X]$  is a Bezout domain.
- (4)  $D + XV[X]$  is a GCD domain.

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) By [6, Proposition 2.6(i)],  $V$  is an overring of  $D$ , and since  $D$  is a valuation domain,  $V = D_Q$  for some prime ideal  $Q$  of  $D$ . Let  $S = D \setminus Q$ . Then  $D + XV[X] = D + XD_S[X]$ , and hence  $S$  is a  $t$ -splitting set of  $D$  [2, Theorem 2.5]. Thus,  $V = K$  by Corollary 1.5.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) This follows directly from [13, Corollary 4.13] because a valuation domain is a Bezout domain.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Clear.  $\square$

For  $0 \neq \alpha \in K$ , let  $(D : \alpha) = \{x \in D \mid x\alpha \in D\}$ ; so  $(D : \alpha)$  is an ideal of  $D$ . Clearly, flat overrings of an integral domain  $D$  are  $t$ -flat over  $D$ . The next result is a  $t$ -flatness analogue of the fact that an overring  $T$  of  $D$  is flat over  $D$  if and only if there is a multiplicative set  $\mathfrak{S}$  of ideals of  $D$  such that  $T = D_{\mathfrak{S}}$  and  $AT = T$  for all  $A \in \mathfrak{S}$  [10, Theorem 1.3], if and only if  $(D : \alpha)T = T$  for all  $0 \neq \alpha \in T$  [27, Theorem 1]. Although this result is already known, we give a new proof because the proof is used in the proof of Theorem 3.5.

**Theorem 1.7.** (See [24, Proposition 2.5].) *If  $T$  is an overring of  $D$ , then the following statements are equivalent.*

- (1)  $T$  is  $t$ -flat over  $D$ .
- (2) There is a multiplicative set  $\mathfrak{S}$  of ideals of  $D$  such that  $T = D_{\mathfrak{S}}$  and  $(AT)_t = T$  for all  $A \in \mathfrak{S}$ .
- (3)  $((D : \alpha)T)_t = T$  for all  $0 \neq \alpha \in T$ .

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) Let  $M$  be a maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $T$ . Then  $T_M = D_{M \cap D}$ , and hence  $(D : \alpha)T_M = (D : \alpha)D_{M \cap D} = (D_{M \cap D} : \alpha D_{M \cap D}) = D_{M \cap D} = T_M$ . Thus,  $T \supseteq ((D : \alpha)T)_t \supseteq \bigcap_{M \in t\text{-Max}(T)} (D : \alpha)T_M = \bigcap_{M \in t\text{-Max}(T)} T_M = T$  (cf. [21, Proposition 2.8(3)] for the second containment), and so  $((D : \alpha)T)_t = T$ .

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be the multiplicative set of ideals of  $D$  generated by  $\{(D : \alpha) \mid 0 \neq \alpha \in T\}$ . Clearly, if  $A \in \mathfrak{S}$ , then  $(AT)_t = T$  by (3). Also,  $T \subseteq D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ . For the reverse containment, let  $x \in D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ . Then  $xA \subseteq D$  for some  $A \in \mathfrak{S}$ , and thus  $x \in xT = x(AT)_t = (xAT)_t \subseteq T_t = T$ . Therefore,  $T = D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let  $M$  be a maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $T$ , and put  $P = M \cap D$ . Then  $A \not\subseteq P$  for all  $A \in \mathfrak{S}$  because  $(AT)_t = T$ . Hence, by [10, Theorem 1.1],  $M = P_{\mathfrak{S}}$  and  $T_M = (D_{\mathfrak{S}})_{P_{\mathfrak{S}}} = D_P$ . Thus,  $T$  is  $t$ -flat over  $D$ .  $\square$

The next result is a  $t$ -flat overring analogue of the fact that if  $T$  is a flat overring of  $D$ , then  $(IT)^{-1} = I^{-1}T$  for every nonzero finitely generated ideal  $I$  of  $D$ .

**Corollary 1.8.** *Let  $T$  be a  $t$ -flat overring of  $D$ . If  $I$  is a nonzero finitely generated ideal of  $D$ , then  $(IT)^{-1} = (I^{-1}T)_t$ .*

**Proof.** Clearly,  $(I^{-1}T)_t \subseteq (IT)^{-1}$ . For the reverse containment, let  $0 \neq \alpha \in (IT)^{-1}$ . Then  $\alpha I \subseteq \alpha IT \subseteq T = D_{\mathfrak{S}}$  for some multiplicative set  $\mathfrak{S}$  of ideals of  $D$  by Theorem 1.7. Since  $I$  is finitely generated,  $\alpha IA \subseteq D$  for some  $A \in \mathfrak{S}$ . Let  $Q$  be a maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $T$ . Then  $T_Q = D_{Q \cap D}$ , and since  $(AT)_t = T$  by Theorem 1.7,  $AD_{Q \cap D} = D_{Q \cap D}$ . Hence,  $\alpha ID_{Q \cap D} = \alpha IAD_{Q \cap D} \subseteq D_{Q \cap D}$ , and so  $\alpha \in (ID_{Q \cap D})^{-1} = I^{-1}D_{Q \cap D} = I^{-1}T_Q \subseteq (I^{-1}T)_t T_Q$ . Hence,  $\alpha \in \bigcap_{Q \in t\text{-Max}(T)} (I^{-1}T)_t T_Q = (I^{-1}T)_t$ . Thus,  $(IT)^{-1} \subseteq (I^{-1}T)_t$ .  $\square$

An extension ring  $T$  of  $D$  is said to be  $t$ -linked over  $D$  if  $I^{-1} = D$  for  $I$  a nonzero finitely generated ideal of  $D$  implies  $(IT)^{-1} = T$ . Clearly,  $t$ -flat overrings of  $D$  are  $t$ -linked over  $D$  by Corollary 1.8. Also, it is known that the integral closure of a Noetherian domain  $D$  is  $t$ -linked over  $D$  (cf. [17, Lemma 4.5]). The notion of  $t$ -linkedness was introduced in [16] in order to obtain a PvMD analogue of a characterization of Prüfer domains [14, Theorem 1] that  $D$  is a Prüfer domain if and only if each overring of  $D$  is integrally closed.

Another nice characterization of Prüfer domains is as follows:  $D$  is a Prüfer domain if and only if each overring of  $D$  is flat [27], if and only if each overring of  $D$  is an

invertible generalized transform of  $D$  [10, Theorem 1.5]. (An overring  $T$  of  $D$  is an *invertible generalized transform* of  $D$  if  $T = D_{\mathfrak{S}}$  for  $\mathfrak{S}$  a multiplicative set of ideals consisting entirely of invertible ideals.) As a  $t$ -operation analogue, we will say that  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a  *$t$ -invertible multiplicative set of ideals* of  $D$  if for each  $A \in \mathfrak{S}$ , there is a  $t$ -invertible ideal  $I$  of  $D$  such that  $I_t \subseteq A_t$  and  $I_t \in sp(\mathfrak{S})$ . An overring  $D_1$  of  $D$  is a  *$t$ -invertible generalized transform* of  $D$  if  $D_1 = D_{\mathfrak{S}}$  for some  $t$ -invertible multiplicative set  $\mathfrak{S}$  of ideals of  $D$ . Clearly,  $t$ -splitting sets of ideals are  $t$ -invertible [12, Proposition 2] and a  $t$ -invertible multiplicative set of ideals is  $v$ -finite.

**Theorem 1.9.** *The following statements are equivalent.*

- (1)  $D$  is a PvMD.
- (2) Each  $t$ -linked overring of  $D$  is a PvMD.
- (3) Each  $t$ -linked overring of  $D$  is integrally closed.
- (4) Each  $t$ -linked overring of  $D$  is  $t$ -flat over  $D$ .
- (5) Each  $t$ -linked overring of  $D$  is a  $t$ -invertible generalized transform of  $D$ .
- (6) Each  $t$ -linked valuation overring of  $D$  is a  $t$ -invertible generalized transform of  $D$ .
- (7)  $D_P$  is a valuation domain for each maximal  $t$ -ideal  $P$  of  $D$ .

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let  $R$  be a  $t$ -linked overring of  $D$ ,  $K = qf(D)$ , and  $c_D(h)$  (resp.,  $c_R(h)$ ) be the fractional ideal of  $D$  (resp.,  $R$ ) generated by the coefficients of a polynomial  $h \in K[X]$ . Note that if  $0 \neq f \in D[X]$  with  $c_D(f)_v = D$ , then  $c_R(f)_v = (c_D(f)R)_v = R$  because  $R$  is  $t$ -linked over  $D$ . Hence, there exists a set  $\Delta$  of prime  $t$ -ideals of  $D$  such that  $R = \bigcap_{P \in \Delta} D_P$ , i.e.,  $R$  is a subintersection of  $D$  [21, Theorem 3.8]. Thus,  $R$  is a PvMD [25, Proposition 5.1].

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) Clear.

(3)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (1) [16, Theorem 2.10].

(1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (4) [24, Proposition 2.10].

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (5) Let  $D_1$  be a  $t$ -linked overring of  $D$ . Then  $D_1 = \bigcap D_{P_\alpha}$ , where  $\{P_\alpha\}$  is a set of prime  $t$ -ideals of  $D$  [21, Theorem 3.8]. Note that if  $0 \neq x \in K$  and  $P$  is a prime ideal of  $D$ , then  $x \in D_P$  if and only if  $(D : x)D_P = D_P$ . Hence,  $x \in D_1$  if and only if  $x \in D_{P_\alpha}$  for all  $\alpha$ , if and only if  $(D : x) \not\subseteq P_\alpha$  for all  $\alpha$ .

Let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be the multiplicative set of ideals of  $D$  generated by  $\{(D : x) \mid 0 \neq x \in D_1\}$ . Clearly,  $D_1 \subseteq D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ . For the reverse containment, let  $x \in D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ . Then  $xA \subseteq D$  for some  $A \in \mathfrak{S}$ , and since  $(D : x) \not\subseteq P_\alpha$  for all  $\alpha$ , we have  $A \not\subseteq P_\alpha$ . Hence  $x \in \bigcap xD_{P_\alpha} = \bigcap xAD_{P_\alpha} \subseteq \bigcap D_{P_\alpha} = D_1$ . Thus,  $D_1 = D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ . Also, since  $D$  is a PvMD,  $(D : x)$  is  $t$ -invertible, and thus each ideal in  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $t$ -invertible.

(5)  $\Rightarrow$  (6) Clear.

(6)  $\Rightarrow$  (7) Let  $P$  be a maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $D$ . Then there is a valuation overring  $V$  of  $D$  with maximal ideal  $M$  such that  $M \cap D = P$ . So  $D_P \subseteq V_M = V$ , and, in particular,  $V$  is  $t$ -linked over  $D$ . Hence,  $V = D_{\mathfrak{S}}$  for some  $t$ -invertible multiplicative set  $\mathfrak{S}$  of

ideals of  $D$ . Clearly,  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $v$ -finite, and so  $V$  is  $t$ -flat over  $D$  by Proposition 1.2(2). Thus,  $V = V_M = D_{M \cap D} = D_P$ .

(7)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) [21, Theorem 3.2].  $\square$

We end this section with a PvMD analogue of the fact that an integrally closed domain  $D$  is a Prüfer domain if and only if  $(IT)^{-1} = I^{-1}T$  for every overring  $T$  of  $D$  and a nonzero finitely generated ideal  $I$  of  $D$  [9, Corollary 4.3].

**Corollary 1.10.** *An integrally closed domain  $D$  is a PvMD if and only if  $(IT)^{-1} = (I^{-1}T)_t$  for every  $t$ -linked overring  $T$  of  $D$  and a nonzero finitely generated ideal  $I$  of  $D$ .*

**Proof.** ( $\Rightarrow$ ) This follows directly from Corollary 1.8 because a  $t$ -linked overring of a PvMD is  $t$ -flat by Theorem 1.9. ( $\Leftarrow$ ) By Theorem 1.9, it suffices to show that  $T$  is integrally closed. Let  $K = qf(D)$ , and let  $0 \neq f, g \in K[X]$ . Then  $c_D(fg)_v = (c_D(f)c_D(g))_v$  [19, Proposition 34.8] because  $D$  is integrally closed. Hence, by assumption,  $c_T(fg)^{-1} = (c_D(fg)^{-1}T)_t = ((c_D(f)c_D(g))^{-1}T)_t = ((c_D(f)c_D(g)T)^{-1})_t = (c_T(f)c_T(g))^{-1}$ , and thus  $c_T(fg)_v = (c_T(f)c_T(g))_v$ . Thus,  $T$  is integrally closed [26, Lemme 1].  $\square$

## 2. Prüfer $v$ -multiplication domains

Let  $A \subseteq B$  be an extension of integral domains,  $X$  be an indeterminate over  $B$ , and  $R = A + XB[X]$ . Let

- $\Lambda = \{P \in t\text{-Max}(A) \mid (PB)_t \subsetneq B\}$ ,
- $\Lambda' = \{P \in t\text{-Max}(A) \mid (PB)_t = B\}$ .

Clearly,  $\Lambda \cap \Lambda' = \emptyset$  and  $\Lambda \cup \Lambda' = t\text{-Max}(A)$ . In this section, we study the PvMD property of  $R$  when  $B = A_{\mathfrak{S}}$ , where  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a multiplicative set of ideals of  $A$ . (We usually use  $D$  instead of  $A$  when  $B = A_{\mathfrak{S}}$ .)

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $R = A + XB[X]$  and  $I$  be a nonzero ideal of  $A$ .*

- (1)  $(IR)^{-1} = I^{-1} + X(IB)^{-1}[X]$ .
- (2) Let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be a multiplicative set of ideals of  $A$ , and suppose that  $B = A_{\mathfrak{S}}$ .
  - (a) If  $I$  is finitely generated or a  $v$ -ideal of finite type, then  $(IR)^{-1} = I^{-1} + X(I^{-1})_{\mathfrak{S}}[X]$ .
  - (b) If  $I$  is  $t$ -invertible, then  $(IR)_v = I_v + X(I_v)_{\mathfrak{S}}[X] = I_v + X(IA_{\mathfrak{S}})_v[X]$ .

**Proof.** (1) By [7, Lemma 2.1],  $(IR)^{-1} = I^{-1} \cap (IB)^{-1} + X(IB)^{-1}[X]$ , and since  $I^{-1} \subseteq (IB)^{-1}$ , we have  $(IR)^{-1} = I^{-1} + X(IB)^{-1}[X]$ .

(2) Note that  $(I_{\mathfrak{S}})^{-1} = (IA_{\mathfrak{S}})^{-1} = (I^{-1})_{\mathfrak{S}}$  (cf. [21, Lemma 3.4]). Hence, (a) follows directly from (1). For (b), note that  $(IR)^{-1} = I^{-1} + X(I^{-1})_{\mathfrak{S}}[X]$  by (1),  $(IA_{\mathfrak{S}})_v =$

$((I^{-1})_{\mathfrak{S}})^{-1} = (I_v)_{\mathfrak{S}}$  because  $I$  is  $t$ -invertible,  $I^{-1} \subseteq (I^{-1})_{\mathfrak{S}}$ , and  $I_v \subseteq (I_v)_{\mathfrak{S}}$ . Thus,  $(IR)_v = (I^{-1} + X(I^{-1})_{\mathfrak{S}}[X])^{-1} = I_v + X(I_v)_{\mathfrak{S}}[X] = I_v + X(IA_{\mathfrak{S}})_v[X]$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.2.** *If  $D$  is a PvMD and  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals of  $D$ , then  $R = D + XD_{\mathfrak{S}}[X]$  is a PvMD.*

**Proof.** Let  $Q$  be a maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $R$ . If  $Q \cap D = (0)$ , then  $R_{D \setminus \{0\}} = K[X]$ , and thus  $R_Q = (R_{D \setminus \{0\}})_{Q_{D \setminus \{0\}}}$  is a rank-one discrete valuation domain. Next, assume that  $Q \cap D \neq (0)$ , and put  $P = Q \cap D$ . If  $I$  is a nonzero finitely generated subideal of  $P$ , then  $I$  is  $t$ -invertible, and so by Lemma 2.1,  $I_v + X(I_v)_{\mathfrak{S}}[X] = (IR)_v \subseteq Q_t = Q$ . Hence,  $I_v \subseteq Q \cap D = P$ . Thus,  $P_t = P$ , and by assumption,  $D_P$  is a valuation domain. Note that  $R_{D \setminus P} = D_P + X(D_{\mathfrak{S}})_{D \setminus P}[X]$ , and because  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals, by Proposition 1.2(5) and Corollary 1.5,  $(D_{\mathfrak{S}})_{D \setminus P} = D_P$  or  $K$ . Thus,  $R_{D \setminus P} = D_P[X]$  or  $D_P + XK[X]$ .

Case 1. If  $R_{D \setminus P} = D_P + XK[X]$ , then  $R_{D \setminus P}$  is a Bezout domain by Corollary 1.6, and thus  $R_Q = (R_{D \setminus P})_{Q_{D \setminus P}}$  is a valuation domain.

Case 2. Assume  $R_{D \setminus P} = D_P[X]$ ; equivalently,  $(D_{\mathfrak{S}})_{D \setminus P} = D_P$ . If  $X \in Q$ , then  $(XD_{\mathfrak{S}}[X])^2 = X(XD_{\mathfrak{S}}[X]) \subseteq Q$ , and since  $Q$  is a prime ideal,  $XD_{\mathfrak{S}}[X] \subseteq Q$ . Hence,  $Q = P + XD_{\mathfrak{S}}[X]$ . Since  $(D_{\mathfrak{S}})_{D \setminus P} = D_P$ , by Corollary 1.4  $J' \not\subseteq P$  for all  $J' \in \mathfrak{S}$ ; hence there is a finitely generated ideal  $I$  of  $D$  such that  $I \in \mathfrak{S}^{\perp}$  and  $I \subseteq P$  because  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $t$ -splitting. Let  $u \in (I, X)^{-1}$ . Then  $uI \subseteq R$  and  $uX \in R$ ; so  $u \in D_{\mathfrak{S}}[X]$ . Hence, there is a  $J \in \mathfrak{S}$  such that  $u(0)J \subseteq D$ . If  $u(0) = 0$ , then  $u \in R$ . If  $u(0) \neq 0$ , then  $u(0)I \subseteq D$ , and so  $u(0)(I + J) = u(0)I + u(0)J \subseteq D \Rightarrow u(0) \in u(0)D = u(0)(I + J)_t = (u(0)(I + J))_t \subseteq D_t = D \Rightarrow u \in R$ . Thus,  $(I, X)^{-1} = R$ , and hence  $R = (I, X)_v \subseteq Q \subsetneq R$ , a contradiction. Thus,  $X \notin Q$ , and since  $Q$  is a maximal  $t$ -ideal,  $(Q, X)_t = R$ . Let  $T = \{X^n \mid n \geq 0\}$ . We claim that  $Q_T$  is a  $t$ -ideal. If not, there are some  $f_1, \dots, f_m \in Q$  such that  $(f_1, \dots, f_m, X)_v = R$  and  $((f_1, \dots, f_m)^{-1})_T = ((f_1, \dots, f_m)_T)^{-1} = R_T$ . Hence, if  $z \in (f_1, \dots, f_m)^{-1}$ , then  $z \in R_T \Rightarrow zX^k \in R$  for some  $k \geq 1$ ,  $\Rightarrow z \in (f_1, \dots, f_m, X^k)^{-1} = R$  (the equality follows because  $(f_1, \dots, f_m, X)_v = R$ ). Thus,  $(f_1, \dots, f_m)^{-1} = R$ , and so  $R = (f_1, \dots, f_m)_v \subseteq Q$ , a contradiction. Hence,  $Q_T$  is a  $t$ -ideal of  $R_T$ . Note that  $D_{\mathfrak{S}}$  is a PvMD; so  $R_T = D_{\mathfrak{S}}[X, X^{-1}]$  is a PvMD. Thus,  $R_Q = (R_T)_{Q_T}$  is a valuation domain, and eventually  $Q_{D \setminus P} = PD_P[X]$ .  $\square$

In [6, Proposition 2.6(ii)], the authors gave a necessary condition for  $R = A + XB[X]$  to be a PvMD when  $B$  is flat over  $A$ . We next give in Theorem 2.4 a necessary and sufficient condition for  $R = A + XB[X]$  to be a PvMD when  $B$  is  $t$ -flat over  $A$ .

**Lemma 2.3.** *Let  $I$  be a nonzero finitely generated ideal of  $A$  and  $R = A + XB[X]$ .*

- (1) *If  $P \in \Lambda'$ , then  $(PR)_t = P + XB[X]$  and  $(PR)_t \in t\text{-Max}(R)$ .*
- (2)  *$IR$  is  $t$ -invertible if and only if  $IB$  is  $t$ -invertible and there exists  $F \subseteq II^{-1}$ , a nonzero finitely generated ideal of  $A$  such that  $F^{-1} \cap B = A$ .*

**Proof.** (1) Let  $\Sigma$  be the set of  $(F, G)$  such that  $F \subseteq P$  (resp.,  $G \subseteq PB$ ) is a nonzero finitely generated ideal of  $A$  (resp.,  $B$ ) with  $F \subseteq G$ . Then, by [8, Lemma 2.8],

$$\begin{aligned} (PR)_t &= \left( \bigcup_{(F,G) \in \Sigma} (F^{-1} \cap G^{-1})^{-1} \right) \cap (PB)_t + X(PB)_t[X] \\ &= \left( \bigcup_{(F,G) \in \Sigma} (F^{-1} \cap G^{-1})^{-1} \right) \cap B + XB[X] \\ &= \left( \bigcup_{(F,G) \in \Sigma} (F^{-1} \cap G^{-1})^{-1} \right) + XB[X], \end{aligned}$$

where the last equality follows because  $(F^{-1} \cap G^{-1})^{-1} \subseteq A$  for all  $(F, G) \in \Sigma$ . Let  $(F, G) \in \Sigma$ . Since  $(PB)_t = B$ , there is a nonzero finitely generated ideal  $G'$  of  $B$  such that  $G \subseteq G' \subseteq PB$  and  $(G')^{-1} = B$ . Hence,  $(F^{-1} \cap G^{-1})^{-1} \subseteq (F^{-1} \cap (G')^{-1})^{-1} = (F^{-1} \cap B)^{-1}$ , and as  $(F, G') \in \Sigma$ , we have

$$\bigcup_{(F,G) \in \Sigma} (F^{-1} \cap G^{-1})^{-1} = \bigcup_{(F,G) \in \Sigma} (F^{-1} \cap B)^{-1}.$$

Note that if  $(FB)^{-1} = B$ , then  $F^{-1} \subseteq B$  because  $x \in F^{-1} \Rightarrow xF \subseteq A \Rightarrow xFB \subseteq B \Rightarrow x \in xB = x(FB)_v = (xFB)_v \subseteq B_v = B$ ; hence if  $F'$  is a nonzero finitely generated ideal of  $A$  with  $F' \subseteq P$  and  $(F'B)_v = B$ , then  $(F^{-1} \cap B)^{-1} \subseteq ((F + F')^{-1} \cap B)^{-1} = (F + F')_v \subseteq P_t = P$  for any nonzero finitely generated ideal  $F$  of  $A$  with  $F \subseteq P$ . So  $P = P_t = \bigcup_{\Sigma} F_v \subseteq \bigcup_{\Sigma} (F^{-1} \cap B)^{-1} \subseteq P$ . Therefore,  $(PR)_t = P + XB[X]$ .

Next, let  $Q$  be a maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $R$  with  $(PR)_t \subseteq Q$ . Clearly,  $P \subseteq Q \cap A$ . If  $P \neq Q \cap A$ , then  $(Q \cap A)_t = A$  and  $((Q \cap A)B)_t = B$ . Hence, there is a nonzero finitely generated ideal  $I$  of  $A$  such that  $I \subseteq Q \cap A$ ,  $I_v = A$ , and  $(IB)_v = B$ . Note that  $(IR)^{-1} = I^{-1} + X(IB)^{-1}[X]$  by Lemma 2.1(1); so  $(IR)^{-1} = A + XB[X]$ , and thus  $R = (IR)_v \subseteq Q_t = Q$ , a contradiction. Hence,  $Q \cap A = P$ . Let  $f = a + Xg \in Q$  where  $a \in A$  and  $g \in B[X]$ . Since  $P + XB[X] \subseteq Q$ , we have  $a \in Q \cap A = P$ , and hence  $f = a + Xg \in P + XB[X]$ . Thus,  $Q = P + XB[X] = (PR)_t$ .

(2) This is an immediate consequence of [8, Lemma 3.8].  $\square$

**Theorem 2.4.** *Let  $R = A + XB[X]$ , and assume that  $B$  is  $t$ -flat over  $A$ . Then  $R$  is a PvMD if and only if  $A$  is a PvMD and  $B = A_{\mathfrak{S}}$  for  $\mathfrak{S}$  a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals of  $A$ .*

**Proof.** ( $\Leftarrow$ ) Theorem 2.2.

( $\Rightarrow$ ) Claim 1.  $A$  is a PvMD, and hence  $B$  is also a PvMD by Theorem 1.9 because  $B$  is  $t$ -flat (hence  $t$ -linked) over  $A$ . (For this, let  $I$  be a nonzero finitely generated ideal of  $A$ . Then  $IB$  is  $t$ -invertible by Lemma 2.3(2); hence  $B = ((IB)(IB)^{-1})_t = ((IB)(I^{-1}B))_t = ((IB)(I^{-1}B))_t = ((II^{-1})B)_t$  (see Corollary 1.8 for the second equality). This implies that  $II^{-1} \not\subseteq P$  for all  $P \in \Lambda$ . Also,  $(IR)^{-1} = I^{-1} + X(IB)^{-1}[X]$  by Lemma 2.1(1), and hence  $(IR)(IR)^{-1} = II^{-1} + XI(IB)^{-1}[X] + XI^{-1}(IB)[X] + X^2(IB)(IB)^{-1}[X] \subseteq$

$II^{-1} + XB[X] \subseteq R$ . Thus,  $(II^{-1} + XB[X])_t = R$ , and so if  $P \in \Lambda'$ , then  $II^{-1} \not\subseteq P$  because  $(PR)_t = P + XB[X] \subsetneq R$  by Lemma 2.3(1). Therefore,  $II^{-1} \not\subseteq P$  for all  $P \in t\text{-Max}(A)$ , and so  $(II^{-1})_t = A$ .

Let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be the multiplicative set of ideals of  $A$  generated by  $\{(A : \alpha) \mid 0 \neq \alpha \in B\}$ .

*Claim 2.*  $B = A_{\mathfrak{S}}$ . (Clearly,  $B \subseteq A_{\mathfrak{S}}$  because  $\alpha(A : \alpha) \subseteq A$  for each  $0 \neq \alpha \in B$ . For the reverse containment, we first show that  $(IB)_t = B$  for all  $I \in \mathfrak{S}$ . To do this, it suffices to show that  $((A : \alpha)B)_t = B$  for all  $0 \neq \alpha \in B$ . If  $M$  is a maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $B$ , then  $B_M = A_{M \cap A}$  because  $B$  is  $t$ -flat over  $A$ ; so  $\alpha \in B \subseteq A_{M \cap A}$  implies  $(A : \alpha)B_M = (A : \alpha)A_{M \cap A} = (A_{M \cap A} : \alpha A_{M \cap A}) = A_{M \cap A} = B_M$ . Thus,  $((A : \alpha)B)_t = \bigcap_{M \in t\text{-Max}(B)} (A : \alpha)B_M = \bigcap_{M \in t\text{-Max}(B)} B_M = B$  [21, Theorem 3.5] because  $B$  is a PvMD by Claim 1. Hence, if  $0 \neq \beta \in A_{\mathfrak{S}}$ , then  $\beta I \subseteq A$  for some  $I \in \mathfrak{S}$ , and thus  $\beta \in \beta B = \beta(IB)_t = (\beta IB)_t \subseteq B$ .)

Next, we show that  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $t$ -splitting. By Proposition 1.1, we only have to show that  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $v$ -finite and  $dA_{\mathfrak{S}} \cap A$  is  $t$ -invertible for each  $0 \neq d \in A$ .

*Claim 3.*  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $v$ -finite. (Note that  $A$  is a PvMD by Claim 1; so  $(A : \alpha)$  is a  $t$ -invertible  $t$ -ideal for all  $0 \neq \alpha \in B$ , and thus  $(A : \alpha)$  is of finite type. Hence,  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $v$ -finite because  $\mathfrak{S}$  is generated by  $\{(A : \alpha) \mid 0 \neq \alpha \in B\}$ .)

*Claim 4.*  $dA_{\mathfrak{S}} \cap A$  is  $t$ -invertible for each  $0 \neq d \in A$ . (Note that  $((d, X)R)^{-1} = (d^{-1}A \cap B) + XB[X]$ ; so if we let  $I = d^{-1}A \cap B$ , then  $I$  is a fractional ideal of  $A$ ,  $((d, X)R)^{-1} = I + XB[X]$ , and  $((d, X)R)_v = (I^{-1} \cap B) + XB[X]$  [7, Lemma 2.1]. Note that  $A \subseteq I$ , and so  $I^{-1} \subseteq A$  and  $((d, X)R)_v = I^{-1} + XB[X]$ . Hence,  $R = (((d, X)R)^{-1}((d, X)R)_v)_t \subseteq (II^{-1} + XB[X])_t \subseteq R$ , and so  $(II^{-1} + XB[X])_t = R$ . By Lemma 2.3(1),  $II^{-1} \not\subseteq P$  for all  $P \in \Lambda'$ . Next, if  $P \in \Lambda$ , then  $A_P$  is a valuation domain and  $R_{A \setminus P} = A_P + XB_{A \setminus P}[X]$  is a PvMD, and since  $(PB)_t \subsetneq B$  implies  $B_{A \setminus P} \neq K$ , we have  $R_{A \setminus P} = A_P + XA_P[X] = A_P[X]$  by Corollary 1.6. Hence,  $A_P[X] = R_{A \setminus P} = ((d, X)R_{A \setminus P})_v = ((d, X)R)_v R_{A \setminus P} = (I^{-1} + XB[X])R_{A \setminus P}$  (the third equality follows because  $(d, X)R$  is  $t$ -invertible), and thus  $I^{-1}A_P = A_P$ . Also,  $IA_P = A_P$  because  $A \subseteq I \subseteq B$  and  $B_{A \setminus P} = A_P$ . Thus,  $(II^{-1})A_P = (IA_P)(I^{-1}A_P) = A_P$  which means  $II^{-1} \not\subseteq P$ . Therefore,  $(II^{-1})_t = A$ . Thus,  $I = d^{-1}A \cap B = d^{-1}A \cap A_{\mathfrak{S}}$ , and so  $dI = dA_{\mathfrak{S}} \cap A$  is  $t$ -invertible.)  $\square$

It is known that if  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a multiplicative set of ideals of  $D$ , then  $D_{\mathfrak{S}}$  is  $t$ -linked over  $D$  [16, Proposition 2.2], and since a  $t$ -linked overring of a PvMD is  $t$ -flat, by Theorems 2.2 and 2.4, we have

**Corollary 2.5.** *Let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be a multiplicative set of ideals of a PvMD  $D$ , and let  $R = D + XD_{\mathfrak{S}}[X]$ . Then  $R$  is a PvMD if and only if  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals.*

Let  $A \subseteq B$  be an extension of integral domains. It is known that  $I_v \subseteq (IB)_v$  for any nonzero finitely generated ideal  $I$  of  $A$  if and only if  $I_t \subseteq (IB)_t$  for any nonzero ideal  $I$  of  $A$  [11, Proposition 1.1].

**Lemma 2.6.** Let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be a multiplicative set of ideals of  $D$ ,  $R = D + XD_{\mathfrak{S}}[X]$ , and  $K = qf(D)$ .

- (1)  $I_v \subseteq (IR)_v$  for any nonzero finitely generated ideal  $I$  of  $D$ .
- (2)  $(IR)_v \cap K = I_v$  for any nonzero finitely generated fractional ideal  $I$  of  $D$ .
- (3)  $(IR)_t \cap K = I_t$  for any nonzero fractional ideal  $I$  of  $D$ .

**Proof.** (1) By Lemma 2.1(1),  $(IR)^{-1} = I^{-1} + X(ID_{\mathfrak{S}})^{-1}[X]$ , and hence  $I_v(IR)^{-1} = I_vI^{-1} + XI_v(ID_{\mathfrak{S}})^{-1}[X]$ . Note that  $(I_vD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t = (ID_{\mathfrak{S}})_t$  [21, Lemma 3.4(3)] since  $I$  is finitely generated; so

$$\begin{aligned} I_v(ID_{\mathfrak{S}})^{-1} &= (I_vD_{\mathfrak{S}})(ID_{\mathfrak{S}})^{-1} \subseteq ((I_vD_{\mathfrak{S}})(ID_{\mathfrak{S}})^{-1})_t \\ &= ((I_vD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t(ID_{\mathfrak{S}})^{-1})_t = ((ID_{\mathfrak{S}})_t(ID_{\mathfrak{S}})^{-1})_t \\ &= ((ID_{\mathfrak{S}})(ID_{\mathfrak{S}})^{-1})_t \subseteq D_{\mathfrak{S}}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $I_v(IR)^{-1} \subseteq D + XD_{\mathfrak{S}}[X] = R$ , and thus  $I_v \subseteq (IR)_v$ .

(2) and (3) These follow directly from (1) and [11, Lemma 1.3] because  $R \cap K = D$ .  $\square$

An integral domain  $D$  is said to be of *finite  $t$ -character* if each nonzero nonunit of  $D$  is contained in at most a finite number of maximal  $t$ -ideals. As in [20], we say that  $D$  is a *ring of Krull type* if  $D$  is a locally finite intersection of essential valuation overrings of  $D$ ; equivalently,  $D$  is a PvMD of finite  $t$ -character. A ring of Krull type is called an *independent ring of Krull type* if no two distinct maximal  $t$ -ideals contain a nonzero prime ideal.

In [3, Section 2], the authors studied when  $D^{(S)} = D + XD_S[X]$  is a ring (resp., an independent ring) of Krull type. We next give in Corollary 2.8 a ring of Krull type property of  $R = D + XD_{\mathfrak{S}}[X]$ . For this, we first study the set of maximal  $t$ -ideals of  $R$ .

**Lemma 2.7.** Let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be a multiplicative set of ideals of  $D$  and  $R = D + XD_{\mathfrak{S}}[X]$ . Assume that  $D$  and  $R$  are both PvMDs. Then  $t\text{-Max}(R) = \{Q \in t\text{-Max}(R) \mid Q \cap D = (0)\} \cup \{P + XD_{\mathfrak{S}}[X] \mid P \in \Lambda'\} \cup \{P + X(PD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t[X] \mid P \in \Lambda\}$ .

**Proof.** ( $\supseteq$ ) Let  $P$  be a maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $D$ . If  $(PD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t = D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ , then  $(PR)_t = P + XD_{\mathfrak{S}}[X]$  is a maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $R$  by Lemma 2.3. Next, assume  $(PD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t \subsetneq D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ . Note that each nonzero finitely generated subideal of  $PR$  is contained in  $IR$  for some finitely generated ideal  $I \subseteq P$  of  $D$ . So if we let  $f(P)$  be the set of nonzero finitely generated subideals of  $P$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} (PR)_t &= \bigcup \{(IR)_v \mid I \in f(P)\} \\ &= \bigcup \{I_v + X(ID_{\mathfrak{S}})_v[X] \mid I \in f(P)\} \\ &= P + X(PD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t[X] \subsetneq R, \end{aligned}$$

where the second equality follows from Lemma 2.1(2). Hence, there is a maximal  $t$ -ideal  $Q$  of  $R$  with  $(PR)_t \subseteq Q$ . By Lemma 2.6,  $Q \cap D = P$  because  $P \subseteq Q$  and  $P \in t\text{-Max}(D)$ . Note that  $(PD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t \subsetneq D_{\mathfrak{S}}$  implies  $I \not\subseteq P$  for all  $I \in \mathfrak{S}$  by Proposition 1.2; so  $D_P = (D_{\mathfrak{S}})_{P_{\mathfrak{S}}}$  [10, Theorem 1.1(4)], and since  $D_P$  is a valuation domain,  $(D_{\mathfrak{S}})_{D \setminus P} = D_P$  and  $R_{D \setminus P} = D_P + X(D_{\mathfrak{S}})_{D \setminus P}[X] = D_P[X]$ . Since  $R$  is a PvMD,  $Q_{D \setminus P}$  is a maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $R_{D \setminus P}$ . Clearly,  $Q_{D \setminus P} \cap D_P = PD_P$ , and hence  $Q_{D \setminus P} = PD_P[X]$  [21, Lemma 4.1] and  $X \notin Q$ . Let  $T = \{X^k \mid k \geq 0\}$ . Then  $Q_T$  is a maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $R_T = D_{\mathfrak{S}}[X, X^{-1}]$ , because  $R$  is a PvMD and  $X \notin Q$ . Note that  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $t$ -splitting by Corollary 2.5 and  $P$  is a maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $D$ ; hence  $(PD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t$  is a maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $D_{\mathfrak{S}}$  by Corollary 1.3, and so  $(PD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t[X, X^{-1}]$  is a maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $R_T$  (cf. [21, Proposition 2.2, Lemmas 3.17 and 4.1]). Also, since  $X(PD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t[X] \subseteq Q$ , we have  $Q_T = (PD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t[X, X^{-1}]$ . Thus,  $Q = Q_T \cap R = (PD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t[X, X^{-1}] \cap R = P + X(PD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t[X] = (PR)_t$ .

( $\subseteq$ ) Let  $Q$  be a maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $R$  with  $Q \cap D \neq (0)$ . Put  $Q \cap D = P$ . Since  $(PR)_t \subseteq Q$ , we have  $P_t \subsetneq D$  by Lemma 2.6, and  $D$  being a PvMD implies  $P_t = P$ . Also, since  $Q$  is homogeneous [5, Theorem 1.2],  $Q \subseteq P + XD_{\mathfrak{S}}[X]$ . Let  $P_0$  be a maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $D$  with  $P \subseteq P_0$ . If  $(P_0D_{\mathfrak{S}})_t = D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ , then  $(P_0R)_t = P_0 + XD_{\mathfrak{S}}[X]$  by Lemma 2.3(1), and since  $Q$  is a maximal  $t$ -ideal,  $Q = P_0 + XD_{\mathfrak{S}}[X]$  and  $P = P_0$ . Next, assume that  $(P_0D_{\mathfrak{S}})_t \subsetneq D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ . Then  $R_{D \setminus P_0} = D_{P_0}[X]$  (see the proof of ( $\supseteq$ ) above) and  $Q_{D \setminus P_0}$  is a maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $R_{D \setminus P_0}$ . Note that  $P_0D_{P_0}[X]$  is a unique maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $R_{D \setminus P_0}$  that does not contract to zero; hence  $Q_{D \setminus P_0} = P_0D_{P_0}[X]$ . This means that  $P_0 = P$  and  $Q = (PR)_t = P + X(PD_{\mathfrak{S}})_t[X]$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 2.8.** *Let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be a multiplicative set of ideals of  $D$  and  $R = D + XD_{\mathfrak{S}}[X]$ . If  $D$  is a PvMD, then*

- (1)  *$R$  is a ring of Krull type if and only if  $D$  is a ring of Krull type,  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals, and  $|\Lambda'| < \infty$ .*
- (2)  *$R$  is an independent ring of Krull type if and only if  $D$  is an independent ring of Krull type,  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals, and  $|\Lambda'| \leq 1$ .*

**Proof.** (1) Let  $K = qf(D)$ . Then  $R_{D \setminus \{0\}} = K[X]$  is a principal ideal domain, and hence the finite  $t$ -character of  $R$  is completely determined by  $\{Q \in t\text{-Max}(R) \mid Q \cap D \neq (0)\}$ . Note that  $XD_{\mathfrak{S}}[X]$  is a prime ideal of  $R$ . Thus, by Lemma 2.7,  $R$  is of finite  $t$ -character if and only if  $D$  is of finite  $t$ -character and  $|\Lambda'| < \infty$ . Hence, the result follows directly from Corollary 2.5.

(2) This can be proved by an argument similar to the proof of (1) above.  $\square$

Let  $X^1(D)$  be the set of height-one prime ideals of an integral domain  $D$ . It is well known that if  $D$  is a Krull domain, then  $X^1(D) = t\text{-Max}(D)$ , and hence  $D = \bigcap_{P \in X^1(D)} D_P$ . Also,  $D$  is a Krull domain if and only if, for each  $0 \neq d \in D$ ,  $dD = (P_1^{e_1} \cdots P_k^{e_k})_t$ , where each  $P_i$  is a height-one prime ideal of  $D$  and  $e_i \geq 1$  is an integer [22, Theorem 3.9].

**Lemma 2.9.** *If  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a multiplicative set of ideals of a Krull domain  $D$ , then  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals.*

**Proof.** Let  $\mathbb{X}$  be the set of height-one prime ideals of  $D$  that are contained in  $sp(\mathfrak{S})$ . So if  $0 \neq d \in D$ , then  $dD = ((P_1^{e_1} \cdots P_k^{e_k})_t (Q_1^{k_1} \cdots Q_n^{k_n})_t)$  for some  $P_i \in \mathbb{X}$ ,  $Q_j \in X^1(D) \setminus \mathbb{X}$ , and positive integers  $e_i$  and  $k_j$ , because  $D$  is a Krull domain. Clearly,  $(P_1^{e_1} \cdots P_k^{e_k})_t \in sp(\mathfrak{S})$  and  $(Q_1^{k_1} \cdots Q_n^{k_n})_t \in \mathfrak{S}^\perp$ . Thus,  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals.  $\square$

Let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be a multiplicative set of ideals of a Krull domain  $D$ . It is clear that if we let  $\mathfrak{S}'$  be the multiplicative set of ideals generated by  $X^1(D) \cap sp(\mathfrak{S})$ , then  $sp(\mathfrak{S}) = sp(\mathfrak{S}')$ , and hence  $D_{\mathfrak{S}} = D_{\mathfrak{S}'}$ ,  $\Lambda' = X^1(D) \cap sp(\mathfrak{S})$ , and  $\Lambda = X^1(D) \setminus sp(\mathfrak{S})$ .

**Corollary 2.10.** *Let  $D$  be a Krull domain.*

- (1)  $R = D + XD_{\mathfrak{S}}[X]$  is a PvMD.
- (2)  $R$  is a ring of Krull type if and only if  $|\Lambda'| < \infty$ .
- (3)  $R$  is an independent ring of Krull type if and only if  $|\Lambda'| \leq 1$ .

**Proof.** Since  $D$  is a Krull domain,  $D$  is an independent ring of Krull type. Thus, the result follows directly from Theorem 2.2, Lemma 2.9, and Corollary 2.8.  $\square$

### 3. Generalized GCD domains

Let  $D$  be an integral domain,  $K = qf(D)$ , and  $X$  be an indeterminate over  $D$ . In [2, Theorem 3.3], it was shown that if  $S$  is a multiplicative set of  $D$ , then  $D^{(S)} = D + XD_S[X]$  is a GGCD domain if and only if  $D$  is a GGCD domain and  $S$  is a  $d$ -splitting set. The purpose of this section is to generalize the result of [2, Theorem 3.3] to the ring  $R = A + XB[X]$  where  $A \subseteq B$  is an extension of integral domains. For this, let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be a multiplicative set of ideals of  $D$ . We will say that  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a  $d$ -splitting set of ideals if, for each  $0 \neq d \in D$ , we have  $dD = IJ$  for some  $I \in sp(\mathfrak{S})$  and  $J \in \mathfrak{S}^\perp$ . Clearly,  $d$ -splitting sets of ideals are  $t$ -splitting. Also, if we set  $\mathfrak{S} = \{sD \mid s \in S\}$ , then  $S$  is a  $d$ -splitting set if and only if  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a  $d$ -splitting set of ideals.

We begin this section with a nice characterization of  $d$ -splitting sets of ideals (cf. Proposition 1.1 for  $t$ -splitting sets of ideals).

**Proposition 3.1.** *Let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be a multiplicative set of ideals of  $D$ . Then  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $d$ -splitting if and only if  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $v$ -finite and  $dD_{\mathfrak{S}} \cap D$  is invertible for all  $0 \neq d \in D$ .*

**Proof.**  $(\Rightarrow)$  Let  $0 \neq d \in D$ . Then  $dD = IJ$  for some  $I \in sp(\mathfrak{S})$  and  $J \in \mathfrak{S}^\perp$ . We note that  $dD_{\mathfrak{S}} \cap D = J$ . (For if  $x \in dD_{\mathfrak{S}} \cap D$ , then  $d^{-1}xI' \subseteq D$  for some  $I' \in \mathfrak{S}$ . So  $xI' \subseteq dD \subseteq J$ , and since  $(I' + J)_t = D$ , we have  $x \in xD = x(I' + J)_t = (xI' + xJ)_t \subseteq J_t = J$ . For the reverse containment, note that  $dD_{\mathfrak{S}} = (IJ)D_{\mathfrak{S}} = (ID_{\mathfrak{S}})(JD_{\mathfrak{S}}) = JD_{\mathfrak{S}}$  because

$I \in sp(\mathfrak{S})$  is invertible. Thus,  $J \subseteq dD_{\mathfrak{S}} \cap D$ .) Thus,  $dD_{\mathfrak{S}} \cap D$  is invertible. Next, for  $I_1 \in \mathfrak{S}$ , choose  $0 \neq d \in I_1$ , and let the notation be as in the previous paragraph. Then  $I$  is invertible, and hence  $I = I_t = (I(J + I_1))_t = (I(J + I_1))_t \subseteq (I_1)_t$ . Thus,  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $v$ -finite.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Let  $0 \neq d \in D$ . Then  $J := dD_{\mathfrak{S}} \cap D$  is invertible and  $dD \subseteq J$ ; hence  $dD = IJ$ , where  $I = dJ^{-1}$ , so  $I$  is invertible.

*Claim 1.*  $I \in sp(\mathfrak{S})$ . (Note that  $dD_{\mathfrak{S}} = (IJ)D_{\mathfrak{S}} = (ID_{\mathfrak{S}})(JD_{\mathfrak{S}}) = (ID_{\mathfrak{S}})(dD_{\mathfrak{S}})$ . Hence  $ID_{\mathfrak{S}} = D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ , and thus  $I \in sp(\mathfrak{S})$ .)

*Claim 2.*  $J \in \mathfrak{S}^{\perp}$ , i.e.,  $(I' + J)_t = D$  for all  $I' \in \mathfrak{S}$ . (Since  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $v$ -finite and  $(I' + J)_t = ((I')_t + J)_t$ , we may assume that  $I'$  is a  $v$ -ideal of finite type. If  $x \in J^{-1} \cap (I')^{-1}$ , then  $x \in D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ . Hence,  $xJ \subseteq JD_{\mathfrak{S}} \cap D = dD_{\mathfrak{S}} \cap D = J$ , and since  $J$  is invertible,  $x \in D$ . Thus,  $(I' + J)^{-1} = J^{-1} \cap (I')^{-1} = D$ , and since  $I'$  is of finite type, we have  $(I' + J)_t = (I' + J)_v = D$ .)  $\square$

It is known that  $R = A + XB[X]$  is flat over  $A$  if and only if  $B$  is flat over  $A$  [7, Lemma 3.6]. While we don't know if the  $t$ -flatness analogue holds, we next give the  $t$ -linkedness analogue.

**Lemma 3.2.** *Let  $A \subseteq B$  be an extension of integral domains and  $R = A + XB[X]$ . Then the following statements are equivalent.*

- (1)  $B$  is  $t$ -linked over  $A$ .
- (2)  $B = \bigcap_{P \in t\text{-Max}(A)} B_{A \setminus P}$ .
- (3)  $R$  is  $t$ -linked over  $A$ .
- (4)  $R = \bigcap_{P \in t\text{-Max}(A)} R_{A \setminus P}$ .

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) For  $0 \neq x \in \bigcap_{P \in t\text{-Max}(A)} B_{A \setminus P}$ , let  $I = (B : x) \cap A$ . Then  $I \not\subseteq P$  for all  $P \in t\text{-Max}(A)$ , and hence  $I_t = A$ . Since  $B$  is  $t$ -linked over  $A$  by (1),  $B = (IB)_t \subseteq ((B : x)B)_t = (B : x) \subseteq B$  (see [4, Proposition 2.1] for the first equality), and so  $(B : x) = B$ . Thus,  $x \in B$ . The reverse containment is clear.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let  $P \in t\text{-Max}(A)$ . If  $I$  is a nonzero finitely generated ideal of  $A$  such that  $I^{-1} = A$ , then  $I \not\subseteq P$ , and hence  $IB_{A \setminus P} = B_{A \setminus P}$ ; so  $(IB_{A \setminus P})^{-1} = B_{A \setminus P}$ . Thus,  $B_{A \setminus P}$  is  $t$ -linked over  $A$ . Since  $B = \bigcap_{P \in t\text{-Max}(A)} B_{A \setminus P}$  by (2),  $B$  is  $t$ -linked over  $A$  [4, Proposition 2.3(2)].

(1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (3) Let  $I$  be a nonzero finitely generated ideal of  $A$  such that  $I^{-1} = A$ . Then  $(IR)^{-1} = A + X(IB)^{-1}[X]$  by Lemma 2.1, and thus  $(IR)^{-1} = R$  if and only if  $(IB)^{-1} = B$ .

(3)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (4) This follows directly from the equivalence of (1) and (2) above.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.3.** *Let  $A \subseteq B$  be an extension of integral domains and  $R = A + XB[X]$ . If  $R$  is a GGCD domain, then*

- (1)  $A$  is a GGCD domain,

- (2)  $B$  is  $t$ -linked over  $A$ , and
- (3)  $B = A_{\mathfrak{S}}$  for some multiplicative set  $\mathfrak{S}$  of ideals of  $A$ .

**Proof.** If  $R$  is a GGCD domain, then  $R$  is a PvMD, and hence  $B$  is an overring of  $A$  [6, Proposition 2.1(1)].

(1) and (2) Let  $I$  be a nonzero finitely generated ideal of  $A$ . Then  $(IR)_v$  is invertible and  $(IR)_v = (I^{-1} + X(IB)^{-1}[X])^{-1} = I_v \cap (IB)_v + X(IB)_v[X]$  by Lemma 2.1 and [7, Lemma 2.1]. Hence,  $R = (IR)_v(IR)^{-1} = (I_v \cap (IB)_v + X(IB)_v[X])(I^{-1} + X(IB)^{-1}[X])^{-1}$ , and so  $A = (I_v \cap (IB)_v)I^{-1} \subseteq I_v I^{-1} \subseteq A$ . Thus,  $I_v I^{-1} = A$ . Therefore,  $A$  is a GGCD domain. Moreover, if  $I^{-1} = A$ , then  $A = (I_v \cap (IB)_v)I^{-1} = A \cap (IB)_v \subseteq (IB)_v \subseteq B$ , and so  $(IB)_v = B$ . Thus,  $B$  is  $t$ -linked over  $A$ .

(3) Let  $P$  be a maximal  $t$ -ideal of  $A$ . Then  $R_{A \setminus P} = A_P + X B_{A \setminus P}[X]$  is a PvMD and  $A_P$  is a valuation domain. Hence,  $B_{A \setminus P} = A_P$  or  $qf(A)$  by Corollary 1.6. Let  $T = \{P \in t\text{-Max}(A) \mid B_{A \setminus P} = A_P\}$ ,  $A_1 = \bigcap_{P \in T} A_P$ , and  $\mathfrak{S} = \{I \mid I \not\subseteq P \text{ for all } P \in T\}$ . Then, by Lemma 3.2,  $B = A_1$  since  $B$  is  $t$ -linked over  $A$  by (2). Also, note that  $A_1 = A_{\mathfrak{S}}$ . (For  $0 \neq \alpha \in A_1$ , let  $I = (A : \alpha)$ . Then  $\alpha I \subseteq A$  and  $I \not\subseteq P$  for all  $P \in T$ , and hence  $\alpha \in A_{\mathfrak{S}}$ . Thus,  $A_1 \subseteq A_{\mathfrak{S}}$ . For the reverse containment, let  $0 \neq \beta \in A_{\mathfrak{S}}$ . Then  $\beta J \subseteq A$  for some  $J \in \mathfrak{S}$ , and hence  $\beta \in \bigcap_{P \in T} \beta A_P = \bigcap_{P \in T} \beta J A_P \subseteq \bigcap_{P \in T} A_P = A_1$ . Thus,  $A_{\mathfrak{S}} \subseteq A_1$ .) Thus,  $B = A_{\mathfrak{S}}$ .  $\square$

Let  $S$  be a  $t$ -splitting saturated multiplicative set of  $D$ . It is known that if  $Cl(D) = 0$ , then  $S$  is a splitting set. We next give a multiplicative set of ideals analogue.

**Lemma 3.4.** *Let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals of  $D$  and  $S = \{a \in D \mid aD = I_v \text{ for some } I \in sp(\mathfrak{S})\}$ . If  $Cl(D) = 0$ , then  $S$  is a splitting set of  $D$  and  $D_S = D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $0 \neq d \in D$ . Then  $dD = (IJ)_t$  for some  $I \in sp(\mathfrak{S})$  and  $J \in \mathfrak{S}^{\perp}$ . Clearly,  $I$  and  $J$  are  $t$ -invertible, and hence  $I_t = aD$  and  $J_t = bD$  for some  $a, b \in D$  because  $Cl(D) = 0$ . Hence,  $dD = (I_t J_t)_t = abD$ , and so  $d = uab = (ua)b$  for some unit  $u$  of  $D$ . Clearly,  $ua \in S$  and  $b \in N(S)$ . Thus,  $S$  is a splitting set of  $D$ .

Next, obviously,  $D_S \subseteq D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ . For the reverse containment, let  $0 \neq \alpha \in D_{\mathfrak{S}}$ . Then  $\alpha I' \subseteq D$  for some  $I' \in \mathfrak{S}$ . Since  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $t$ -splitting, there is a  $t$ -invertible ideal  $J'$  of  $D$  such that  $(J')_v \in sp(\mathfrak{S})$  and  $(J')_v \subseteq (I')_t$  [12, Proposition 2], and since  $Cl(D) = 0$ , we have  $(J')_v = sD$  for some  $s \in D$ . Clearly,  $s \in S$  and  $\alpha s \in \alpha sD = \alpha(J')_v \subseteq \alpha(I')_t \subseteq D$ . Thus,  $\alpha \in D_S$ .  $\square$

We next give the main result of this section.

**Theorem 3.5.** *Let  $A \subseteq B$  be an extension of integral domains and  $R = A + XB[X]$ . Then the following statements are equivalent.*

- (1)  $R$  is a GGCD domain.

- (2)  $A$  is a GGCD domain and  $B = A_{\mathfrak{S}}$  for  $\mathfrak{S}$  a  $d$ -splitting set of ideals of  $A$ .
- (3)  $A$  is a GGCD domain and  $B = A_{\mathfrak{S}}$  for  $\mathfrak{S}$  a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals of  $A$ .

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Note that a GGCD domain is a PvMD; so  $B$  is an overring of  $A$  [6, Proposition 2.6(1)]. Hence, by Lemma 3.3,  $A$  is a GGCD domain and  $B = A_{\mathfrak{S}}$  for some multiplicative set  $\mathfrak{S}$  of ideals of  $A$ . Next, to show that  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $d$ -splitting, it suffices to show that  $dA_{\mathfrak{S}} \cap A$  is invertible for each  $0 \neq d \in A$  and  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $v$ -finite by Proposition 3.1.

Let  $0 \neq d \in A$ . Then  $((d, X)R)^{-1} = d^{-1}A \cap A_{\mathfrak{S}} + XA_{\mathfrak{S}}[X]$ , and hence  $((d, X)R)_v = (d^{-1}A \cap A_{\mathfrak{S}})^{-1} \cap A_{\mathfrak{S}} + XA_{\mathfrak{S}}[X] = (d^{-1}A \cap A_{\mathfrak{S}})^{-1} + XA_{\mathfrak{S}}[X]$  [7, Lemma 2.1]. Put  $I = d^{-1}A \cap A_{\mathfrak{S}}$ . Since  $R$  is a GGCD domain,

$$\begin{aligned} R &= ((d, X)R)_v((d, X)R)^{-1} \\ &= (I^{-1} + XA_{\mathfrak{S}}[X])(I + XA_{\mathfrak{S}}[X]) \\ &= II^{-1} + XI^{-1}A_{\mathfrak{S}}[X] + XIA_{\mathfrak{S}}[X] + X^2A_{\mathfrak{S}}[X]. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $II^{-1} = A$ , and since  $dA_{\mathfrak{S}} \cap A = d^{-1}I$ ,  $dA_{\mathfrak{S}} \cap A$  is invertible.

Next, note that  $A_{\mathfrak{S}}$  is flat (hence  $t$ -flat) over  $A$  [1, Theorem 5] because  $A$  is a GGCD domain. So if we let  $\mathfrak{F}$  be the multiplicative set of ideals generated by  $\{(A : \alpha) \mid 0 \neq \alpha \in A_{\mathfrak{S}}\}$ , then  $A_{\mathfrak{F}} = A_{\mathfrak{S}}$  by the proof of Theorem 1.7. Hence,  $sp(\mathfrak{F}) = sp(\mathfrak{S})$ . Since  $A$  is a GGCD domain,  $(A : \alpha)$  is invertible for all  $0 \neq \alpha \in A_{\mathfrak{S}}$ , and thus for each  $I \in \mathfrak{S}$ ,  $I_t$  contains an invertible ideal in  $sp(\mathfrak{S})$ .

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) Clear.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Since  $A$  is a GGCD domain,  $A$  is a PvMD, and hence  $R$  is a PvMD by Theorem 2.2. Recall that  $R$  is a GGCD domain if and only if  $R$  is both a PvMD and a locally GCD domain, i.e.,  $R_M$  is a GCD domain for all maximal ideals  $M$  of  $R$  [28, Corollary 3.4]; hence it suffices to show that  $R$  is a locally GCD domain.

Let  $M$  be a maximal ideal of  $R$ , and set  $M \cap A = P$ . If  $P = (0)$ , then  $R_M = K[X]_{MK[X]}$  is a valuation domain, and hence a GCD domain. Next, assume that  $P \neq (0)$ . Then  $R_{A \setminus P} = A_P + X(A_{\mathfrak{S}})_{A \setminus P}[X]$ . Note that if we let  $\mathfrak{F} = \{IA_P \mid I \in \mathfrak{S}\}$ , then  $(A_{\mathfrak{S}})_{A \setminus P} = (A_P)_{\mathfrak{F}}$  and  $\mathfrak{F}$  is a  $t$ -splitting set of ideals of  $A_P$  by Proposition 1.2(4) and (5). Let  $T = \{\alpha \in A_P \mid \alpha A_P = (IA_P)_t \text{ for some } IA_P \in sp(\mathfrak{F})\}$ . Then  $(A_P)_{\mathfrak{F}} = (A_P)_T$  and  $T$  is a splitting set of  $A_P$  by Lemma 3.4 because  $A_P$  is a GCD domain and  $\mathfrak{F}$  is  $t$ -splitting. Thus,  $R_{A \setminus P}$  is a GCD domain [29, Corollary 1.5]. Hence,  $R_M = (R_{A \setminus P})_{M_{A \setminus P}}$  is a GCD domain.  $\square$

Clearly, a multiplicative set  $S$  of  $D$  is  $d$ -splitting if and only if  $\{sD \mid s \in S\}$  is a  $d$ -splitting set of ideals. Thus, by Theorem 3.5, we have

**Corollary 3.6.** (See [2, Theorem 3.3].) *Let  $S$  be a multiplicative set of  $D$ . Then  $D^{(S)} = D + XD_S[X]$  is a GGCD domain if and only if  $D$  is a GGCD domain and  $S$  is a  $d$ -splitting set.*

**Corollary 3.7.** *Let  $A \subseteq B$  be an extension of integral domains and  $R = A + XB[X]$ . If  $A$  is a Prüfer domain, then the following statements are equivalent.*

- (1)  $R$  is a PvMD.
- (2)  $R$  is a GGCD domain.
- (3)  $B = A_{\mathfrak{S}}$  for  $\mathfrak{S}$  a  $d$ -splitting set of ideals of  $A$ .

**Proof.** Clearly, Prüfer domain  $\Rightarrow$  GGCD domain  $\Rightarrow$  PvMD. Thus, the result follows directly from Theorems 2.4 and 3.5 because each overring of a Prüfer domain is flat (hence  $t$ -flat).  $\square$

A  $\pi$ -domain is a Krull domain in which each height-one prime ideal is invertible. Hence,  $D$  is a  $\pi$ -domain if and only if, for each  $0 \neq d \in D$ ,  $dD = P_1^{e_1} \cdots P_k^{e_k}$  for some height-one prime ideals  $P_i$  of  $D$  and integers  $e_i \geq 1$ . It is well known that a Krull domain  $D$  is a  $\pi$ -domain if and only if  $D$  is a GGCD domain; a Dedekind domain is a  $\pi$ -domain; and the polynomial ring over a  $\pi$ -domain is a  $\pi$ -domain. The next result is a  $d$ -splitting set of ideals analogue of Lemma 2.9.

**Lemma 3.8.** *If  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a multiplicative set of ideals of a  $\pi$ -domain  $D$ , then  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a  $d$ -splitting set of ideals.*

**Proof.** Let  $\mathbb{X} = X^1(D) \cap sp(\mathfrak{S})$ . So if  $0 \neq d \in D$ , then  $dD = (P_1^{e_1} \cdots P_k^{e_k})(Q_1^{k_1} \cdots Q_n^{k_n})$  for some  $P_i \in \mathbb{X}$ ,  $Q_j \in X^1(D) \setminus \mathbb{X}$ , and positive integers  $e_i$  and  $k_j$ , because  $D$  is a  $\pi$ -domain. Clearly,  $P_1^{e_1} \cdots P_k^{e_k} \in sp(\mathfrak{S})$  and  $Q_1^{k_1} \cdots Q_n^{k_n} \in \mathfrak{S}^\perp$ . Thus,  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a  $d$ -splitting set of ideals.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.9.** *Let  $A \subseteq B$  be an extension of integral domains and  $R = A + XB[X]$ . If  $A$  is a  $\pi$ -domain, then  $R$  is a GGCD domain if and only if  $B = A_{\mathfrak{S}}$  for  $\mathfrak{S}$  a multiplicative set of ideals of  $D$ .*

**Proof.** This is an immediate consequence of Theorem 3.5 and Lemma 3.8.  $\square$

Let  $S$  be a splitting set of  $D$ , and let  $\mathfrak{S} = \{sD \mid s \in S\}$ . Note that if  $0 \neq d \in D$ , then  $d = st$  for some  $s \in S$  and  $t \in N(S)$ ; hence  $dD = stD = (sD)(tD)$ . Clearly,  $sD \in \mathfrak{S}$  and  $tD \in \mathfrak{S}^\perp$ . Thus,  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a  $d$ -splitting set of ideals of  $D$ . Conversely, if  $\mathfrak{S}$  is a  $d$ -splitting set of ideals of  $D$  with  $Cl(D) = 0$ , then  $S := \{a \in D \mid aD = I_v \text{ for some } I \in sp(\mathfrak{S})\}$  is a splitting set of  $D$  by Lemma 3.4.

**Corollary 3.10.** *(See [6, Theorem 2.10].) Let  $A \subseteq B$  be an extension of integral domains and  $R = A + XB[X]$ . Then  $R$  is a GCD domain if and only if  $A$  is a GCD domain and  $B = A_S$  for  $S$  a splitting set of  $A$ .*

**Proof.** ( $\Leftarrow$ ) [29, Corollary 1.5]. ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Clearly,  $A$  is a GCD domain. Also, since a GCD domain is a GGCD domain, by Lemma 3.3,  $B = A_{\mathfrak{S}}$  for  $\mathfrak{S}$  a  $d$ -splitting set of ideals of  $A$ . Hence, if we let  $S = \{a \in D \mid aD = I_v \text{ for some } I \in sp(\mathfrak{S})\}$ , then, by Lemma 3.4,  $S$  is a splitting set of  $D$  with  $D_S = D_{\mathfrak{S}}$  because  $Cl(A) = 0$ .  $\square$

**Remark 3.11.** After this article was submitted for publication, the author was told that Kim studied when the ring  $A + XB[X]$  is a GGCD domain from a different perspective. Let  $\mathfrak{S}$  be a multiplicative set of ideals of  $D$ . In [23], Kim called  $\mathfrak{S}$  a  $d$ -splitting set of ideals if for each  $0 \neq d \in D$ , there are integral ideals  $I, I'$  of  $D$  such that  $dD = II'$ ,  $I \cap J = IJ$  for all  $J \in \mathfrak{S}$  and  $I' \supseteq J'$  for some  $J' \in \mathfrak{S}$ . He also noted that if  $D_{\mathfrak{S}}$  is an invertible generalized transform of  $D$ , then  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $d$ -splitting if and only if  $dD_{\mathfrak{S}} \cap D$  is invertible for all  $0 \neq d \in D$  [23, Lemma 3.12], and he proved that if  $A \subseteq B$  is an extension of integral domains, then  $R = A + XB[X]$  is a GGCD domain if and only if  $A$  is a GGCD domain and  $B = A_{\mathfrak{S}}$  for  $\mathfrak{S}$  a  $d$ -splitting set of ideals of  $A$  [23, Theorem 3.13].

Let  $D_{\mathfrak{S}}$  be an invertible generalized transform of  $D$ . Clearly,  $\mathfrak{S}$  is  $v$ -finite, and hence by Proposition 3.1 and [23, Lemma 3.12], the notion of  $d$ -splitting sets of this paper is the same as that of Kim's  $d$ -splitting sets. (However, we don't know if the two notions of  $d$ -splitting sets are the same in general.) Note that an overring of a GGCD-domain is a generalized transform if and only if it is an invertible generalized transform [1, Theorem 5]. Hence, the equivalence of (1) and (2) in Theorem 3.5 is the same as Kim's result [23, Theorem 3.13].

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