

## 8.2 Dedekind domains

Def. A **Dedekind domain** is a domain  $A$  that is noetherian, integrally closed, and  $\dim A \leq 1$ .

⚠ Some authors require  $\dim A = 1$ , this only excludes fields.

Exm:  $\mathbb{Z}$ , every PID,  $\mathbb{R}[x,y]/(x^2+y^2-1)$

Prop 8.4 Let  $A$  be a domain. TFAE

(a)  $A$  is a Dedekind domain.

(b)  $A$  is noetherian and  $\forall P \in \text{Spec}(A) \setminus \{0\}$ :  $A_P$  is a DVR

(c)  $A$  is noetherian,  $\leq 1$ -dimensional, and  $\forall P \in \text{Spec}(A)$ :  $A_P$  regular

Proof: (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b)  $A_P$  is i.c., noeth., local, 1-dim., so a DVR (T8.3)

(b)  $\Rightarrow$  (c)  $A_0 = \mathcal{F}(A)$  is regular; each  $A_P$ ,  $P \neq 0$ , is regular by T8.3

$\dim A = \sup \{ \dim A_P : P \in \text{Spec}(A) \} \leq 1$ .

(c)  $\Rightarrow$  (a)  $A$  is i.c., because  $A_P$  is i.c.  $\forall P \in \text{Spec}(A)$  (T8.3, C6.6).  $\square$

Remark (1)  $K$  alg. closed field,  $X \subseteq \mathbb{A}^n(K)$  a variety. Then  $A(X)$  is a Dedekind domain  $\Leftrightarrow X$  is an irreducible curve  $\widehat{= \dim 1}$  that is regular at every point.

(2) If  $K/\mathbb{Q}$  is a finite field extension (= a number field), then  $\mathcal{O}_K = \text{cl}_K(\mathbb{Z})$  is i.c., 1-dim., noetherian [Exc Set 10, WS on Number Theory]  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}_K$  is a Dedekind domain.

$\mathcal{O}_K$  ... **ring of algebraic integers in  $K$**

Prop 8.5 A Dedekind domain, not a field.

(1) If  $P \in \text{Max}(A)$  and  $Q \triangleleft A$ , then

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(2) Every  $0 \neq I \subseteq A$  has a prime factorization

$$I = P_1^{k_1} \cdots P_r^{k_r} \quad \text{with pw. distinct } P_i \in \text{Max}(A), r \geq 0, k_i > 0.$$

This repr is unique (up to permuting factors),  $P_1, \dots, P_r$  are the associated primes of  $I$ .

Proof: (1) " $\Leftarrow$ "  $P^n$  is  $P$ -primary by maximality of  $P$  [15.1].

" $\Rightarrow$ " Consider the localization  $j: A \rightarrow A_P$ . ( $A_P$  is a DVR)

$$\Rightarrow 0 \neq QA_P \not\subseteq A_P \xrightarrow{\text{P3.1}} QA_P = (PA_P)^n = P^n A_P \text{ for some } n \geq 1.$$

$$\Rightarrow Q \stackrel{\text{L5.8}}{=} j^{-1}(QA_P) = j^{-1}(P^n A_P) \stackrel{\text{L5.8}}{=} P^n$$

$\uparrow$  because  $Q \subseteq P$

(2) Existence:  $A$  noetherian, 1-dim  $\xrightarrow{\text{C5.11}} I = Q_1 \cdots Q_r$  with primary ideals  $Q_i$ , and  $\sqrt{Q_i} \neq \sqrt{Q_j}$  for  $i \neq j$ .

$$P_i := \sqrt{Q_i} \xrightarrow{\text{C1}} Q_i = P_i^{k_i} \text{ for some } k_i \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow I = P_1^{k_1} \cdots P_r^{k_r}$$

Uniqueness: Suppose also  $I = (P'_1)^{e_1} \cdots (P'_s)^{e_s}$ ,  $P'_i \in \text{Max}(A)$  pw. distinct,

$$e_i \geq 1. \xrightarrow{\text{CRT}} I = (P'_1)^{e_1} \cdots (P'_s)^{e_s} \xrightarrow{\text{T5.9}} r=s \text{ and, after renumbering,}$$

$$P_i^{k_i} = (P'_i)^{e_i}, \text{ and } P_i = P'_i \text{ (take radicals), so } P_i^{k_i} = P_i^{e_i}.$$

$$\text{In the DVR } A_{P_i}: (P_i A_{P_i})^{k_i} = (P_i A_{P_i})^{e_i} \xrightarrow{\text{P3.1}} k_i = e_i. \quad \square$$

Def: A domain,  $K = \mathcal{F}(A)$ . A **fractional ideal** is an  $A$ -submodule  $I$  of  $K$  s.t. there exists  $0 \neq d \in A: dI \subseteq A$ .

Exm: (1) If  $I = A$ , then  $I$  is a frac. ideal  $\Leftrightarrow I$  is an ideal

( $\Leftarrow$ : take  $d=1$ )

(2) If  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in K$ , then  $\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle_A \subseteq K$  is a fractional ideal

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Remark: (1)  $I$  is a proc. ideal  $\Leftrightarrow I = d^{-1}I'$  for some  $d \in A \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $I' \subseteq A$ .

(2) Suppose  $A$  is noetherian. Then:  $I$  is a proc. ideal

$$\Leftrightarrow \exists x_1, \dots, x_n \in K: I = \langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle_A$$

$$[\text{cf. above } \Rightarrow dI \subseteq A \Rightarrow dI = \langle y_1, \dots, y_n \rangle \Rightarrow I = \langle d^{-1}y_1, \dots, d^{-1}y_n \rangle_A.]$$

Def:  $A$  domain,  $K = \mathcal{F}(A)$ . Let  $I, J \subseteq K_A \leftarrow A\text{-submodules of } K$

$$IJ := \langle \{xy : x \in I, y \in J\} \rangle, \quad (I :_K J) := \{x \in K : xJ \subseteq I\}$$

(1)  $I$  is an **invertible proc. ideal** if  $\exists I' \subseteq K_A : II' = A$

(2)  $I$  is **principal** if  $I = Ax$  for some  $x \in K$ .

Lemma 8.6 (1) If  $I, J$  are proc. ideals, so is  $IJ$ . If additionally  $J \neq 0$ , then  $(I :_K J)$  is a proc. ideal.

(2) Let  $I \subseteq K_A$ . If  $J \subseteq K_A$  s.t.  $IJ = A$ , then  $J = (A :_K I)$ .

(3)  $I$  non-zero principal  $\stackrel{i)}{\Rightarrow}$   $I$  invertible proc. ideal  $\stackrel{ii)}{\Rightarrow}$   $I$  proc. ideal & finitely generated/A

Proof: (1)  $IJ \subseteq K_A$ ,  $(I :_K J) \subseteq K_A$  are easily checked.

Suppose  $aI \subseteq A$ ,  $bJ \subseteq A$  for  $a, b \in A \setminus \{0\}$ .  $\rightarrow abIJ \subseteq A$ , so  $IJ$  is a proc. ideal.

Suppose  $J \neq 0$ , let  $0 \neq c \in J$ .

$$\Rightarrow (I :_K J) \overline{ca} \subseteq Ia \subseteq A.$$

(2)  $J \subseteq (A :_K I)$ , so  $A = IJ \subseteq I(A :_K I) \subseteq A$

$$\Rightarrow IJ = I(A :_K I) \stackrel{i)}{\Rightarrow} A \cdot J = A \cdot (A :_K I) \Rightarrow J = (A :_K I).$$

(3) i) Let  $I = xA$ ,  $x \neq 0 \Rightarrow J = x^{-1}A$  satisfies  $IJ = A$

ii) Suppose  $I$  is invertible  $\stackrel{(2)}{\Rightarrow} I(A :_K I) = A$

$$\Rightarrow \exists n \geq 1, a_i \in I, b_i \in (A :_K I) : 1 = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall b \in I : b = 1 \cdot b = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \underbrace{(b_i b)}_{\in A} \Rightarrow I = \langle a_1, \dots, a_n \rangle_A \text{ is f.g.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall b \in I: b^{-1}b = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \underbrace{(b_i^{-1}b)}_{\in A} \Rightarrow I = \langle a_1, \dots, a_n \rangle_A \text{ is f.g.}$$

as  $A$ -module. If  $0 \neq d \in A$  is a common denominator of  $a_1, \dots, a_n$ ,

then  $dI \subseteq A$ . □

Def: For  $I \subseteq K_A$ , let  $I^{-1} := (A :_K I)$  (Note: If  $I \subseteq A \Rightarrow A \in I^{-1}$ )

Lemma 8.7  $A$  domain.

Suppose  $P_1, \dots, P_r, Q_1, \dots, Q_s \in \text{Spec}(A)$  are irreducible and

$P_1 \dots P_r = Q_1 \dots Q_s$ . Then  $r=s$  and, up to permutation,  $P_i = Q_i \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq r$ .

Proof: Induction on  $r$ .  $r=0$ :  $\Rightarrow A = Q_1 \dots Q_s \Rightarrow s=0$  ✓

$r \geq 1, r-1 \rightarrow r$ : Renumbering the  $P_i$ 's wlog  $P_1$  is minimal in  $\{P_1, \dots, P_r\}$ .

$P_1 \mid Q_1 \dots Q_s \Rightarrow \exists i: P_1 \mid Q_i$ . Renumbering, wlog,  $P_1 \mid Q_1$ .

$Q_1 \mid P_1 \dots P_r \Rightarrow \exists j: P_1 \mid Q_1 \mid P_j \xrightarrow{\text{minimality}} P_j = P_1 \Rightarrow \underline{P_1 = Q_1}$ .

Now, multiplying by  $P_1^{-1}$  and using  $P_1^{-1}P_1 = A$ ,

$P_2 \dots P_r = Q_2 \dots Q_r$ , and the claim follows by induction. □

Thm 8.8 For  $A$  a domain, TFAE:

(a)  $A$  is a Dedekind domain

(b) Every ideal is a product of prime ideals

(c) Every nonzero ideal is invertible.

Proof: (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b) P8.5 (+  $0$  is prime)

(b)  $\Rightarrow$  (c) Suffices: every  $0 \neq P \in \text{Spec}(A)$  is invertible.

Claim: Every invertible prime ideal is maximal.

Proof of C.: Suppose  $P \in \text{Spec}(A)$  is invertible,  $P \notin \text{Max}(A)$ .

$\Rightarrow \exists a \in A: P + aA \subsetneq A$ .

Let  $P + aA = P_1 \dots P_r$ ,  $P + a^2A = Q_1 \dots Q_s$ ,  $r, s \geq 1$ ,  $P_i, Q_i \in \text{Spec}(A)$

Let  $P + \mathfrak{o}A = P_1 \cdots P_r$ ,  $P + \mathfrak{a}^2 A = Q_1 \cdots Q_s$ ,  $r, s \geq 1$ ,  $P_i, Q_i \in \text{Spec}(A)$   
 (using (b))

Consider  $\pi: A \rightarrow A/\mathfrak{p} =: \bar{A}$ , so  $\text{Spec}(\bar{A}) \xrightarrow[\cong]{\text{bij}}$   $\{Q \in \text{Spec}(A) : Q \supseteq P\}$   
 $\Rightarrow \pi(P + \mathfrak{o}A) = \pi(\mathfrak{o})\bar{A} = \pi(P_1) \cdots \pi(P_r)$ ,

$$\pi(P + \mathfrak{a}^2 A) = \pi(\mathfrak{a})^2 \bar{A} = \pi(Q_1) \cdots \pi(Q_s) = \pi(P_1)^2 \cdots \pi(P_r)^2$$

Observe that each  $\pi(P_i), \pi(Q_j)$  is invertible

$$[\text{e.g. } \pi(P_1) (\pi(P_2) \cdots \pi(P_r) \pi(\mathfrak{a})^{-1}) = \bar{A}]$$

$\stackrel{\text{L8.7}}{\Rightarrow} s = 2r$ ,  $(\pi(Q_1), \dots, \pi(Q_s)) = (\pi(P_1), \pi(P_1), \pi(P_2), \pi(P_2), \dots, \pi(P_r), \pi(P_r))$   
 after renumbering.

$$\stackrel{\text{(a)}}{\Rightarrow} (Q_1, \dots, Q_s) = (P_1, P_1, P_2, P_2, \dots, P_r, P_r)$$

$$\Rightarrow P + \mathfrak{a}^2 A = (P + \mathfrak{o}A)^2 \in P^2 + \mathfrak{a}A, \text{ so } P \subseteq P^2 + \mathfrak{a}A$$

$$\Rightarrow P \subseteq P^2 + \mathfrak{a}P = P(P + \mathfrak{a}A) \quad [\text{indeed: let } b \in P \Rightarrow b = c + ad \text{ with}$$

$$c \in P^2, d \in A \Rightarrow cd = b - c \in P, a \notin P \Rightarrow d \in P, \text{ so } b \in P^2 + \mathfrak{a}P.]$$

$$\stackrel{P \text{ invertible}}{\Rightarrow} A \subseteq P + \mathfrak{a}A \stackrel{!}{\subseteq} P \quad \square (\text{Claim})$$

Now let  $0 \neq P \in \text{Spec}(A)$ , Show:  $P$  invertible. Let  $0 \neq \mathfrak{a} \in P$

$$\Rightarrow \mathfrak{o}A = P_1 \cdots P_r \text{ with } r \geq 1, P_i \in \text{Spec}(A) \text{ by (b)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists i: P_i \subseteq P, \text{ so } P_1 \subseteq P.$$

$$P_1 \text{ invertible } (P_1(P_2 \cdots P_r \mathfrak{a}^{-1}) = A), \text{ so } P_1 \in \text{Max}(A) \text{ by the Claim}$$

$$\Rightarrow P_1 = P, \text{ so } P \text{ is invertible.}$$

(c)  $\Rightarrow$  (a) Invertible ideals are finitely generated (L8.6(3)), so

$A$  is noetherian,  $\dim A \leq 1$ :

Let  $0 \neq P \in \text{Spec}(A)$ , Show:  $P \in \text{Max}(A)$ .

Suppose  $P \notin \text{Max}(A) \rightarrow \exists M \in \text{Max}(A)$ ,  $P \subsetneq M$

Observe:  $PH^{-1} \in PP^{-1} \subseteq A$ , so  $PH^{-1} \in A$ .

$$P = (PH^{-1}) \cdot M \Rightarrow PH^{-1} \in P \rightarrow H^{-1} = P^{-1}PH^{-1} \in P^{-1}P \subseteq A$$

Observe:  $\exists \pi \in \mathcal{P} \subseteq A$ , so  $\exists \pi \in A$ .

$$P = (P\pi^{-1}) \cdot \pi \xrightarrow[\substack{M \not\subseteq P \\ P \text{ prime}}]{\Rightarrow} P\pi^{-1} \subseteq P \Rightarrow \pi^{-1} = \pi^{-1} P \pi^{-1} \subseteq \pi^{-1} P \subseteq A$$

$$\Rightarrow \pi^{-1} M \subseteq M \subseteq A \quad \square$$

A is integrally closed  $\forall x \in K$  be integral / A  $\stackrel{\text{Pg. 1}}{\Rightarrow}$   $A[x]$  is a f.g.

A-module, hence a proc. ideal  $\stackrel{c)}{\Rightarrow}$   $A[x]$  invertible  $\Rightarrow A[x]A[x]^{-1} = A$

$$\text{Now: } A[x] = A[x] \cdot A = \underbrace{A[x]A[x]A[x]^{-1}}_{= A[x] \text{ since } A[x] \text{ is a ring}} = A[x]A[x]^{-1} = A$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in A. \quad \square$$

So in a Dedekind domain, the invertible proc. ideals form an abelian group!