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Let  $D \subseteq E$  be an extension of integral domains,  $\Gamma$  a numerical semigroup with  $\Gamma \subsetneq \mathbb{N}_0$ ,  $\Gamma^* = \Gamma \setminus \{0\}$  and  $R = D + E[\Gamma^*]$ . In this paper, we completely characterize when *R* is a weakly Krull domain, an AWFD or a GWFD. We also prove that *R* is never a WFD.

#### Introduction

We first review some preliminaries. Let D be an integral domain with quotient field qf(D) and let  $\mathbf{F}(D)$  denote the set of nonzero fractional ideals of D. Recall that the *v*-operation on D is a star-operation on  $\mathbf{F}(D)$  defined by  $I \mapsto I_v := (I^{-1})^{-1}$ , where  $I^{-1} = \{x \in qf(D) \mid xI \subseteq D\}$ . The *t*-operation on D is a star-operation defined by  $I \mapsto I_t := \bigcup \{J_v \mid J \subseteq I \text{ with } J \in \mathbf{F}(D) \text{ finitely generated} \}$ . An  $I \in \mathbf{F}(D)$  is said to be a *v*-ideal if  $I_v = I$ , and a *t*-ideal if  $I_t = I$ . A *v*-ideal I is said to be of finite type if  $I = J_v$  for some finitely generated fractional ideal J of D. A t-ideal M of D is called a *maximal t-ideal* if M is maximal among proper integral t-ideals of D. It is well known that maximal t-ideals are prime ideals. Let t-Max(D) be the set of maximal *t*-ideals of D. Then *t*-Max(D)  $\neq \emptyset$  if D is not a field. An  $I \in \mathbf{F}(D)$  is said to be *t*-invertible if  $(II^{-1})_t = D$ ; equivalently,  $II^{-1} \nsubseteq M$  for each  $M \in t$ -Max(D). Let T(D) be the abelian group of t-invertible fractional t-ideals of D under the tmultiplication  $I * J = (IJ)_t$ , and let Inv(D) and Prin(D) be the subgroups of T(D)consisting respectively of invertible fractional ideals of D and nonzero principal fractional ideals of D. Then it is clear that  $Prin(D) \subseteq Inv(D) \subseteq T(D)$ . The *t*-class group of D is an abelian group Cl(D) = T(D) / Prin(D) and the Picard group  $\operatorname{Pic}(D) = \operatorname{Inv}(D) / \operatorname{Prin}(D)$  is a subgroup of  $\operatorname{Cl}(D)$ . The local t-class group G(D)of D is defined by  $G(D) = \operatorname{Cl}(D) / \operatorname{Pic}(D)$ .

Let  $X^1(D)$  stand for the set of height-one prime ideals of D. We say that D is a *weakly Krull domain* if  $D = \bigcap_{P \in X^1(D)} D_P$  and this intersection has finite character, i.e., each nonzero element  $d \in D$  is a unit in  $D_P$  for all but a finite number of P's in  $X^1(D)$ ; D is a *weakly factorial domain* (WFD) if every nonzero nonunit element of D is a product of primary elements; D is an *almost weakly factorial domain* 

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(AWFD) if for each nonzero nonunit element  $d \in D$ , there exists a positive integer n = n(d) such that  $d^n$  is a product of primary elements; and D is a generalized weakly factorial domain (GWFD) if each nonzero prime ideal of D contains a primary element. (Recall that a nonzero nonunit  $d \in D$  is called a *primary element* of D if (d) is a primary ideal of D.) It is well known that

$$WFD \Rightarrow AWFD \Rightarrow GWFD \Rightarrow weakly Krull domain$$

and a weakly Krull domain has *t*-dimension one. (The *t*-dimension of *D*, abbreviated *t*-dim(*D*), is the supremum of lengths of chains of prime *t*-ideals of *D*. Hence t-dim(*D*) = 1 if and only if each maximal *t*-ideal of *D* has height-one.) Also, it was shown in [Anderson and Zafrullah 1990, Theorem] that a weakly Krull domain *D* is a WFD if and only if Cl(D) = 0, and in [Anderson et al. 1992, Theorem 3.4] that a weakly Krull domain *D* is an AWFD if and only if Cl(D) is torsion. We note that t-dim( $D[\Gamma]$ ) = t-dim(D[X]) for any numerical semigroup  $\Gamma$  [Chang et al. 2012, Theorem 1.5].

Let  $\mathbb{N}_0$  (resp.,  $\mathbb{Z}$ ) be the set of nonnegative integers (resp., integers). A semigroup  $\Gamma$  is called a *numerical semigroup* if  $\Gamma$  is a subset of  $\mathbb{N}_0$  containing 0 and generates  $\mathbb{Z}$  as a group. It is known that if  $\Gamma$  is a numerical semigroup, then  $\Gamma$  is finitely generated and  $\mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \Gamma$  is a finite set. Hence there exists the largest nonnegative integer which is not contained in  $\Gamma$ . This number is called the *Frobenius number* of  $\Gamma$  and is denoted by  $F(\Gamma)$ .

Throughout this article,  $D \subseteq E$  denotes an extension of integral domains, qf(D)(resp., qf(E)) is the quotient field of D (resp., E),  $\overline{D}$  means the integral closure of D, X is an indeterminate over E,  $\Gamma$  is a numerical semigroup with  $\Gamma \subsetneq \mathbb{N}_0$ and  $D[\Gamma]$  is the numerical semigroup ring of  $\Gamma$  over D. Note that each element  $f \in D[\Gamma]$  is uniquely expressible in the form  $f = a_1 X^{\alpha_1} + \cdots + a_k X^{\alpha_k}$ , where  $a_i \in D$ and  $\alpha_i \in \Gamma$  with  $\alpha_1 < \cdots < \alpha_k$ . Let  $\Gamma^* = \Gamma \setminus \{0\}, R = D + E[\Gamma^*], T = D + XE[X]$ and  $T_n = D + X^n E[X]$  for integers  $n \ge 2$ , i.e.,  $R = \{f \in E[\Gamma] \mid f(0) \in D\}$ ,  $T = \{f \in E[X] \mid f(0) \in D\}$  and  $T_n = R$  when  $\Gamma = \{0\} \cup \{m \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid m \ge n\}$ . Then  $D[\Gamma] \subseteq R \subseteq E[\Gamma]$  and  $T_{F(\Gamma)+1} \subseteq R \subsetneq T \subseteq E[X]$ . For an  $f \in qf(D)[\Gamma], c(f)$ means the fractional ideal of D generated by the coefficients of f. If I is an ideal of  $D[\Gamma]$ , then c(I) denotes the ideal of D generated by the coefficients of all the polynomials in I.

In multiplicative ideal theory, the  $D + E[\Gamma^*]$  construction has been extensively studied by several authors for its interest in constructing examples with prescribed properties. As a special kind of pullbacks, this has become so important that in recent years there have been many papers devoted to ring- and ideal-theoretic properties in this construction.

Anderson et al. [2003a; 2006] (see also [Anderson and Chang 2007]) studied when the domains  $D[X^2, X^3]$ , D + XE[X] and  $D + X^2E[X]$  are weakly Krull

domains, WFDs, AWFDs or GWFDs. In fact, they showed that  $D[X^2, X^3]$  is a weakly Krull domain if and only if D is a weakly Krull UMT-domain [Anderson et al. 2003a, Proposition 2.7]; if char $(D) \neq 0$ , then  $D[X^2, X^3]$  is an AWFD if and only if  $D[X^2, X^3]$  is a GWFD [Anderson and Chang 2007, Corollary 2.11]; D + XE[X] is a weakly Krull domain if and only if  $D + X^2E[X]$  is a weakly Krull domain if and only if D + XE[X] is a weakly Krull domain if D + XE[X] is a Weakly Krull domain [Anderson et al. 2006, Theorem 4.3]; and D + XE[X] is an AWFD if and only if D + XE[X] is a GWFD [Anderson and Chang 2007, Corollary 2.10]. The main purpose of this paper is to determine how certain properties of D, E and  $\Gamma$  influence those of R, and vice versa. This also extends the results for the domains  $D[X^2, X^3]$ , D + XE[X] and  $D + X^2E[X]$  to any composite numerical semigroup ring  $D + E[\Gamma^*]$ .

In Section 1, we investigate weakly Krull domains, AWFDs and GWFDs in the context of numerical semigroup rings  $D[\Gamma]$  which coincide with the domains  $R = D + E[\Gamma^*]$  when D = E. We prove that  $D[\Gamma]$  is a weakly Krull domain if and only if *D* is a weakly Krull UMT-domain, and that if char $(D) \neq 0$ , then  $D[\Gamma]$ is an AWFD if and only if  $D[\Gamma]$  is a GWFD, if and only if *D* is an almost weakly factorial quasi-AGCD-domain, if and only if *D* is a generalized weakly factorial quasi-AGCD-domain.

In Section 2, we study when the domain  $R = D + E[\Gamma^*]$  is a weakly Krull domain, an AWFD or a GWFD, where  $D \subsetneq E$ . We show that *R* is a weakly Krull domain if and only if T = D + XE[X] is a weakly Krull domain, and that if char(*E*)  $\neq 0$ , then *R* is an AWFD if and only if *R* is a GWFD, if and only if *T* is an AWFD, if and only if *R* is a GWFD. We also prove that *R* is never a WFD.

#### 1. Weakly Krull domains as numerical semigroup rings

In this section, we characterize when the numerical semigroup ring  $D[\Gamma]$  is a weakly Krull domain, an AWFD or a GWFD.

The first two lemmas are well known for the general semigroup rings, but we include their proofs for the convenience of the reader.

**Lemma 1.1** [El Baghdadi et al. 2002, Lemma 2.3]. Let *D* be an integral domain and  $\Gamma$  be a numerical semigroup. The following statements hold for an  $I \in \mathbf{F}(D)$ :

- (1)  $(ID[\Gamma])^{-1} = I^{-1}D[\Gamma].$
- (2)  $(ID[\Gamma])_v = I_v D[\Gamma].$
- (3)  $(ID[\Gamma])_t = I_t D[\Gamma].$

*Proof.* (1) Since  $(ID[\Gamma])(I^{-1}D[\Gamma]) \subseteq D[\Gamma]$ ,  $I^{-1}D[\Gamma] \subseteq (ID[\Gamma])^{-1}$ . Conversely, let  $f \in (ID[\Gamma])^{-1}$ . Then  $fID[\Gamma] \subseteq D[\Gamma]$  and hence  $c(f)I \subseteq D$ . Hence  $c(f) \subseteq I^{-1}$ , and therefore  $f \in c(f)D[\Gamma] \subseteq I^{-1}D[\Gamma]$ . Thus the equality holds.

(2) By (1),  $(ID[\Gamma])_v = ((ID[\Gamma])^{-1})^{-1} = (I^{-1}D[\Gamma])^{-1} = I_v D[\Gamma].$ 

(3) Let  $f_1, \ldots, f_n$  be nonzero elements of  $ID[\Gamma]$ . Then we have

$$((f_1, \dots, f_n)D[\Gamma])_v \subseteq ((c(f_1), \dots, c(f_n))D[\Gamma])_v$$
$$= (c(f_1), \dots, c(f_n))_v D[\Gamma]$$
$$\subseteq I_t D[\Gamma]$$

by (2), i.e.,  $(ID[\Gamma])_t \subseteq I_t D[\Gamma]$ . For the reverse inclusion, let *J* be a nonzero finitely generated subideal of *I*. Then  $J_v D[\Gamma] = (JD[\Gamma])_v \subseteq (ID[\Gamma])_t$  by (2). Hence  $I_t D[\Gamma] \subseteq (ID[\Gamma])_t$ . Thus we have the desired equality.

**Lemma 1.2** [Anderson and Chang 2005, Corollary 2.3]. Let *D* be an integral domain,  $\Gamma$  be a numerical semigroup and let *Q* be a maximal *t*-ideal of  $D[\Gamma]$  such that  $Q \cap D \neq (0)$ . Then  $Q = (Q \cap D)D[\Gamma]$ . In particular,  $Q \cap D$  is a maximal *t*-ideal of *D*.

*Proof.* The containment  $(Q \cap D)D[\Gamma] \subseteq Q$  is obvious. For the converse, it suffices to show that  $c(Q) \subseteq Q$ . Suppose to the contrary that  $c(Q) \nsubseteq Q$ . Then

$$Q \subsetneq c(Q)D[\Gamma].$$

Since *Q* is a maximal *t*-ideal of  $D[\Gamma]$ ,  $(c(Q)D[\Gamma])_t = D[\Gamma]$ . Therefore  $c(Q)_t = D$  by Lemma 1.1(3), and hence  $c(f)_v = D$  for some  $f \in Q$ . Let  $0 \neq d \in Q \cap D$  and choose  $0 \neq g \in (d, f)^{-1}$ . Then  $gd \in D[\Gamma]$  and hence  $g \in qf(D)[\Gamma]$ . Also, we have  $fg \in D[\Gamma]$ . Hence it follows from [Gilmer 1992, Theorem 28.1] that

$$c(g) \subseteq c(g)_v = (c(f)^{m+1}c(g))_v = (c(f^m)c(fg))_v = c(fg)_v \subseteq D,$$

where *m* is the degree of *g*. So  $g \in c(g)D[\Gamma] \subseteq D[\Gamma]$ , which implies that  $(d, f)^{-1} = D[\Gamma]$ . This contradicts the fact that *Q* is a maximal *t*-ideal of  $D[\Gamma]$ . Therefore  $c(Q) \subseteq Q$ , and thus  $Q \subseteq (Q \cap D)D[\Gamma]$ . The second assertion is an immediate consequence of Lemma 1.1(3).

An integral domain *B* is said to be a *UMT-domain* if every upper to zero (a nonzero prime ideal of B[X] which contracts to zero in *B*) *Q* of B[X] is a maximal *t*-ideal (equivalently, is *t*-invertible). Now, we give the numerical semigroup ring version of [Anderson et al. 1993, Proposition 4.11].

**Theorem 1.3.** Let *D* be an integral domain and  $\Gamma$  be a numerical semigroup with  $\Gamma \subsetneq \mathbb{N}_0$ . Then the following assertions are equivalent.

- (1)  $D[\Gamma]$  is a weakly Krull domain.
- (2) D[X] is a weakly Krull domain.
- (3) D is a weakly Krull UMT-domain.

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*Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) Assume  $D[\Gamma]$  is a weakly Krull domain. Then t-dim $(D[\Gamma]) = 1$ [Anderson et al. 1992, Lemma 2.1]. Let P be a prime t-ideal of D. Then  $PD[\Gamma]$ is a prime t-ideal of  $D[\Gamma]$  by Lemma 1.1(3); so  $ht_D(P) = ht_{D[\Gamma]}(PD[\Gamma]) = 1$ ; so t-dim(D) = 1. Since t-dim $(D[\Gamma]) = 1$ , we have t-dim(D[X]) = 1 by [Chang et al. 2012, Theorem 1.5]. Therefore every upper to zero in D[X] is a maximal t-ideal, and thus D is a UMT-domain. Note that

$$D = \bigcap_{P \in X^1(D)} D_P$$

by [Kang 1989, Proposition 2.9]. To show that this intersection has finite character, let  $d \in D \setminus \{0\}$ . Since  $D[\Gamma]$  is a weakly Krull domain, d belongs to only finitely many height-one prime ideals of  $D[\Gamma]$ , and hence there exists only a finite number of height-one prime ideals of D containing d. Thus D is a weakly Krull domain.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Assume that *D* is a weakly Krull UMT-domain and let *Q* be a maximal *t*-ideal of  $D[\Gamma]$  with  $Q \cap D \neq (0)$ . By Lemma 1.2,  $Q = (Q \cap D)D[\Gamma]$  and  $Q \cap D$  is a maximal *t*-ideal of *D*. Since *t*-dim(*D*) = 1 [Anderson et al. 1992, Lemma 2.1], ht<sub>D</sub>( $Q \cap D$ ) = 1; so ht<sub>D[\Gamma]</sub> $Q \leq 2$  (cf. [Kaplansky 1970, Theorem 37]). If ht<sub>D[\Gamma]</sub>Q = 2, then there exists a nonzero prime ideal  $P \subsetneq Q$  which contracts to zero in *D*. Note that  $P = M \cap D[\Gamma]$  for some prime ideal *M* of *D*[*X*] [Chang et al. 2012, Proposition 1.1]. Since  $M \cap D = (0)$  and *D* is a UMT-domain, *M* is a maximal *t*-ideal of D[X]. Hence *P* is a maximal *t*-ideal of  $D[\Gamma]$  [Chang et al. 2012, Theorem 1.4]. This contradicts the choice of *P*. Thus *t*-dim( $D[\Gamma]$ ) = 1. By [Kang 1989, Proposition 2.9], we have  $D[\Gamma] = \bigcap_{Q \in X^1(D[\Gamma])} D[\Gamma]_Q$ . We claim that this intersection has finite character. Let  $f \in D[\Gamma] \setminus \{0\}$  and set

$$\mathcal{G} = \{ Q \in X^1(D[\Gamma]) \mid f \in Q \},\$$
  
$$\mathcal{G}_1 = \{ Q \in \mathcal{G} \mid Q \cap D \in X^1(D) \}, \text{ and }\$$
  
$$\mathcal{G}_2 = \{ Q \in \mathcal{G} \mid Q \cap D = (0) \}.$$

Then  $\mathcal{G} = \mathcal{G}_1 \cup \mathcal{G}_2$ . If  $\mathcal{G}_1$  is an infinite set, then c(f) belongs to infinitely many height-one prime ideals of D by Lemma 1.2. This is absurd, because D is a weakly Krull domain. Hence  $\mathcal{G}_1$  is a finite set. Note that  $qf(D)[\Gamma]$  is a one-dimensional Noetherian domain; so  $qf(D)[\Gamma]$  is a weakly Krull domain. Hence  $\mathcal{G}_2$  is also a finite set. Therefore  $\mathcal{G}$  is a finite set. Thus  $D[\Gamma]$  is a weakly Krull domain.

(2)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (3) See [Anderson et al. 1993, Proposition 4.11].

Recall that if  $D \subseteq E$  is an extension of integral domains, then *E* is said to be a *root extension* of *D* if for each  $z \in E$ , there is a positive integer n = n(z) such that  $z^n \in D$ . A domain *B* is called an *almost Prüfer v-multiplication domain* (APvMD) (resp., *almost GCD-domain* (AGCD-domain)) if for each  $0 \neq a, b \in B$ , there exists a positive integer n = n(a, b) such that  $(a^n, b^n)_v$  is *t*-invertible (resp., principal).

It is known that *B* is a weakly Krull PvMD if and only if B[X] is weakly Krull and *B* is integrally closed [Anderson et al. 1993, Corollary 4.13]. We weaken the hypothesis and obtain the following result.

**Corollary 1.4.** *Let* D *be an integral domain and*  $\Gamma$  *be a numerical semigroup.* 

- (1) *D* is a weakly Krull APvMD if and only if  $D[\Gamma]$  is a weakly Krull domain and  $D \subseteq \overline{D}$  is a root extension.
- (2) *D* is an almost weakly factorial AGCD-domain if and only if  $D[\Gamma]$  is a weakly Krull domain, Cl(D) is torsion and  $D \subseteq \overline{D}$  is a root extension.

*Proof.* (1) By [Li 2012, Theorem 3.8], a domain *B* is an APvMD if and only if *B* is a UMT-domain and  $B \subseteq \overline{B}$  is a root extension. Thus the result follows from Theorem 1.3.

(2) By [Li 2012, Theorem 3.1], a domain *B* is an AGCD-domain if and only if *B* is an APvMD and Cl(B) is torsion. Also, by [Anderson et al. 1992, Theorem 3.4], *B* is an AWFD if and only if *B* is a weakly Krull domain and Cl(B) is torsion. Thus the result is an immediate consequence of Theorem 1.3 and (1).

Let *S* be a saturated multiplicative subset of a domain *B* and let  $N(S) = \{0 \neq b \in B \mid (b, s)_v = B \text{ for all } s \in S\}$  be the *m*-complement of *S*. We say that *S* is an *almost splitting set* if for each  $0 \neq b \in B$ , there exists a positive integer n = n(b) such that  $b^n = st$  for some  $s \in S$  and  $t \in N(S)$ . Following [Anderson and Chang 2007], *B* is called a *quasi-AGCD-domain* if  $B \setminus \{0\}$  is an almost splitting set in B[X]. It was shown that if *B* is integrally closed, then the notion of quasi-AGCD-domains coincides with that of AGCD-domains [Chang 2005, Proposition 2.6]. The next corollary characterizes when the numerical semigroup ring  $D[\Gamma]$  is an AWFD or a GWFD.

**Corollary 1.5.** Let D be an integral domain with  $char(D) \neq 0$  and  $\Gamma$  be a numerical semigroup with  $\Gamma \subsetneq \mathbb{N}_0$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent.

- (1)  $D[\Gamma]$  is an AWFD.
- (2)  $D[\Gamma]$  is a GWFD.
- (3) D[X] is an AWFD.
- (4) D[X] is a GWFD.
- (5) *D* is an almost weakly factorial quasi-AGCD-domain.
- (6) D is a generalized weakly factorial quasi-AGCD-domain.
- (7) D is a weakly Krull quasi-AGCD-domain.

*Proof.* Let char(D) = p.

 $(1) \Rightarrow (2)$  This is well known.

(1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (3) By [Anderson et al. 1992, Theorem 3.4], an integral domain *B* is an AWFD if and only if *B* is a weakly Krull domain and Cl(*B*) is torsion, and by Theorem 1.3, *D*[ $\Gamma$ ] is a weakly Krull domain if and only if *D*[*X*] is a weakly Krull domain. By [Chang et al. 2012, Lemma 2.7], Pic( $qf(D)[\Gamma]$ ) is torsion if and only if char( $D \neq 0$ . Since Cl( $D[\Gamma]$ ) = Cl(D[X])  $\oplus$  Pic( $qf(D)[\Gamma]$ ) [Anderson and Chang 2004, Theorem 5], Cl( $D[\Gamma]$ ) is torsion if and only if Cl(D[X]) is torsion and char( $D \neq 0$ . Thus this equivalence follows from these facts.

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) By [Anderson et al. 2003b, Theorem 2.2], a domain *B* is a GWFD if and only if *t*-dim(*B*) = 1 and for each  $P \in X^1(B)$ ,  $P = \sqrt{bB}$  for some  $b \in B$ . Assume that D[X] is a GWFD and let  $P \in X^1(D[\Gamma])$ . Since t-dim $(D[\Gamma]) = t$ -dim(D[X]) =1 [Chang et al. 2012, Theorem 1.5], it suffices to show that  $P = \sqrt{fD[\Gamma]}$  for some  $f \in D[\Gamma]$ . If  $P \cap D \neq (0)$ , then  $P = (P \cap D)D[\Gamma]$  by Lemma 1.2. Since D[X]is a GWFD,  $(P \cap D)D[X] = \sqrt{dD[X]}$  for some  $d \in P \cap D$ . It is easy to see that  $P = \sqrt{dD[\Gamma]}$ . Next, suppose that  $P \cap D = (0)$ . Then there exists a prime *t*-ideal Q of D[X] such that  $P = Q \cap D[\Gamma]$  [Chang et al. 2012, Theorem 1.5]. Since D[X]is a GWFD,  $Q = \sqrt{fD[X]}$  for some  $f \in D[X]$ . Also, since char(D) = p > 0, there exists a positive integer *n* such that  $f^{p^n} \in D[\Gamma]$ . An easy calculation shows that  $P = \sqrt{f^{p^n}D[\Gamma]}$ . Thus  $D[\Gamma]$  is a GWFD.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (4)$  This direction is an easy modification of the proof of  $(4) \Rightarrow (2)$ .

 $(2) \Rightarrow (5)$  See [Anderson and Chang 2007, Corollary 2.9].

 $(5) \Rightarrow (6) \Rightarrow (7)$  These implications are obvious.

 $(7) \Rightarrow (1)$  Assume that *D* is a weakly Krull quasi-AGCD-domain. Then *D* is a UMT-domain and Cl(D[X]) is torsion [Anderson and Chang 2007, Theorem 2.4]. Hence  $D[\Gamma]$  is a weakly Krull domain by Theorem 1.3. Also, it follows from [Anderson and Chang 2004, Theorem 5; Chang et al. 2012, Lemma 2.7] that  $Cl(D[\Gamma])$  is torsion. Thus  $D[\Gamma]$  is an AWFD [Anderson et al. 1992, Theorem 3.4].

We end this section by noting that  $D[\Gamma]$  is never a WFD. We also show that  $D[\Gamma]$  need not be an AWFD if char(D) = 0.

**Remark 1.6.** (1) Let *B* be an integral domain with quotient field *K*. In [Gilmer and Martin 1990, Theorem 7], Gilmer and Martin showed that if *B* is a seminormal domain and  $B + X^n B[X] \subseteq B[\Gamma]$ , then  $\operatorname{Pic}(B[\Gamma]) = \operatorname{Pic}(B) \oplus (W_n/L)$ , where  $L \subseteq$  $W_n$  are the subgroups of the group  $U(B[X]/X^n B[X])$  of units of  $B[X]/X^n B[X]$ defined by  $W_n = \{1 + Xf + X^n B[X] \mid f \in B[X]\}$  and  $L = \{1 + Xf + X^n B[X] \mid$  $1 + Xf \in B[\Gamma]\}$ . Note that  $\operatorname{Cl}(B[\Gamma]) = \operatorname{Cl}(B[X]) \oplus \operatorname{Pic}(K[\Gamma])$  [Anderson and Chang 2004, Theorem 5] and that *B* is a WFD if and only if *B* is a weakly Krull domain and  $\operatorname{Cl}(B) = 0$  [Anderson and Zafrullah 1990, Theorem]. If  $D[\Gamma]$  is a WFD, then  $\operatorname{Cl}(D[\Gamma]) = 0$ , and hence  $\operatorname{Pic}(qf(D)[\Gamma]) = 0$ . Therefore  $W_n = L$ ; so  $1 + X + X^n qf(D)[X] \in L$ , which implies that  $1 \in \Gamma$ . Thus, if  $\Gamma$  is a proper numerical semigroup, then  $D[\Gamma]$  is never a WFD.

(2) If  $D[\Gamma]$  is an AWFD, then  $Cl(D[\Gamma])$  is torsion [Anderson et al. 1992, Theorem 3.4]; so  $Pic(qf(D)[\Gamma])$  is torsion [Anderson and Chang 2004, Theorem 5]. Hence  $char(D) \neq 0$  [Chang et al. 2012, Lemma 2.7]. This shows that the condition that  $char(D) \neq 0$  is essential in Corollary 1.5.

(3) It is known that a generalized unique factorization domain (GUFD) is a weakly factorial GCD-domain [Anderson et al. 1995, Theorem 7], and hence integrally closed. (See [Anderson et al. 1995] for the definition and some characterizations of a GUFD.) Thus, if  $\Gamma$  is a numerical semigroup with  $\Gamma \subsetneq \mathbb{N}_0$ , then  $D[\Gamma]$  is not a GUFD by (1). In fact,  $D[\Gamma]$  is not integrally closed; so  $D[\Gamma]$  is never a GUFD.

#### **2.** Weakly Krull domains and the ring $D + E[\Gamma^*]$ when $D \subsetneq E$

For a domain *A*, Spec(*A*) stands for the set of prime ideals of *A*. Assume that  $D \subsetneq E$  is an extension of integral domains,  $\Gamma$  is a numerical semigroup with  $\Gamma \subsetneq \mathbb{N}_0$  and let  $R = D + E[\Gamma^*]$ , T = D + XE[X],  $T_n = D + X^n E[X]$  and  $\Delta_n = \{0\} \cup \{m \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid m \ge n\}$  for integers  $n \ge 2$ . Note that  $D[\Gamma] \subsetneq R \subsetneq T$  and  $T_n \subsetneq T$ . In this section, we characterize when the domains *R* and  $T_n$  are weakly Krull domains, AWFDs or GWFDs. To do this, we need two lemmas.

**Lemma 2.1.** Let  $R = D + E[\Gamma^*]$  and T = D + XE[X]. If Q is a prime ideal of R, then there exists a unique prime ideal of T lying over Q. Thus the natural map  $\phi : \operatorname{Spec}(T) \to \operatorname{Spec}(R)$ , given by  $P \mapsto P \cap R$ , is an order-preserving bijection. In particular,  $ht_T(XE[X]) = ht_R(E[\Gamma^*])$ .

*Proof.* Let Q be a prime ideal of R. Since T is an integral extension of R, there exists a prime ideal P of T such that  $Q = P \cap R$  [Kaplansky 1970, Theorem 44]. Note that  $E[\Gamma^*] \subseteq Q$  if and only if  $XE[X] \subseteq P$ . If  $E[\Gamma^*] \subseteq Q$ , then P is the unique prime ideal of T lying over Q because  $R/XE[X] \cong D \cong R/E[\Gamma^*]$ . If  $E[\Gamma^*] \nsubseteq Q$ , then  $X^{F(\Gamma)+1} f \notin Q$  for some  $f \in E[X]$ ; so

$$g = \frac{X^{F(\Gamma)+1} fg}{X^{F(\Gamma)+1} f} \in R_Q$$

for any  $g \in T$ . Hence  $T_{QR_Q \cap T} = R_Q$ . Thus  $QR_Q \cap T$  is the unique prime ideal of T lying over Q.

Let *n* be an integer  $\geq 2$ . Then it is clear that if  $\Gamma = \Delta_n$ , then  $R = T_n$ . Hence Lemma 2.1 also shows that  $ht_T(XE[X]) = ht_{T_n}(X^nE[X])$ .

**Remark 2.2.** Let  $\Gamma = \{\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n\} \cup \Delta_{F(\Gamma)+1}$  with  $1 < \alpha_1 < \cdots < \alpha_n < F(\Gamma) + 1$ and  $R = D + E[\Gamma^*]$ . (1) Let  $g \in (R : E[\Gamma^*])$ . Then  $gE[\Gamma^*] \subseteq R$ ; hence for each  $\alpha \in \Gamma^*$ ,  $gX^{\alpha} = a_{\alpha} + f_{\alpha}$  for some  $a_{\alpha} \in D$  and  $f_{\alpha} \in E[\Gamma^*]$ . Therefore  $gX^{\alpha+F(\Gamma)} = (a_{\alpha}+f_{\alpha})X^{F(\Gamma)} \in R$ , which means that  $a_{\alpha} = 0$ . Hence  $gX^{\alpha} = f_{\alpha} \in E[\Gamma^*]$ , and so  $g \in \bigcap_{\alpha \in \Gamma^*} \{\frac{1}{X^{\alpha}} f \mid f \in E[\Gamma^*]\}$ . The reverse containment is obvious. Thus we have

$$(R:E[\Gamma^*]) = \bigcap_{\alpha \in \Gamma^*} \left\{ \frac{1}{X^{\alpha}} f \mid f \in E[\Gamma^*] \right\}.$$

(2) It is clear that  $E[\Gamma] \subsetneq (R : E[\Gamma^*])$  because  $X^{F(\Gamma)} \in (R : E[\Gamma^*]) \setminus E[\Gamma]$ . Let  $g \in (R : E[\Gamma^*])$ . Then  $X^{F(\Gamma)+1}g \in R$ ; so we can write

$$X^{F(\Gamma)+1}g = \sum_{i=0}^{n} g_i X^{\alpha_i} + X^{F(\Gamma)+1}h$$

for some  $g_i \in E$  and  $h \in E[X]$ . (For the sake of convenience, set  $\alpha_0 = 0$ .). Fix a  $k \in \{1, ..., n\}$ . Then we have  $X^{2F(\Gamma)-\alpha_k+1}g = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} g_i X^{F(\Gamma)+\alpha_i-\alpha_k} + g_k X^{F(\Gamma)} + X^{F(\Gamma)+1} \left(\sum_{i=k+1}^n g_i X^{\alpha_i-\alpha_k-1} + h\right) \in R$ ; so  $g_k = 0$  for all k = 1, ..., n. Also, we have  $X^{F(\Gamma)+2}g = g_0 X + X^{F(\Gamma)+2}h \in R$ ; so  $g_0 = 0$ . Therefore  $X^{F(\Gamma)+1}g = X^{F(\Gamma)+1}h$ , and hence  $g = h \in E[X]$ . Thus  $E[\Gamma] \subsetneq (R : E[\Gamma^*]) \subseteq E[X]$ . In particular, if  $\Gamma = \Delta_{F(\Gamma)+1}$ , then  $E[X] \subseteq (R : E[\Gamma^*])$ ; so  $(R : E[\Gamma^*]) = E[X]$ .

(3) Lemma 4.2 of [Anderson et al. 2006] cannot be extended to any proper numerical semigroup, i.e., it may happen that  $(R : E[\Gamma^*]) \subsetneq E[X]$  for some  $\Gamma \subsetneq \mathbb{N}_0$ . For instance, if  $\Gamma = \{2\} \cup \Delta_4$ , then  $X \in E[X] \setminus (R : E[\Gamma^*])$ .

**Lemma 2.3.** The following statements hold for  $R = D + E[\Gamma^*]$ .

- (1)  $E[\Gamma^*]$  is a prime *t*-ideal of *R*.
- (2)  $E[\Gamma^*]$  is a maximal t-ideal of R if and only if  $qf(D) \cap E = D$ .

*Proof.* (1) Let  $\Gamma = \{\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_k\} \cup \Delta_{F(\Gamma)+1}$  such that  $0 < \alpha_1 < \cdots < \alpha_k < F(\Gamma)+1$ . Since  $R/E[\Gamma^*] \cong D$ ,  $E[\Gamma^*]$  is a prime ideal of R. It suffices to show that  $E[\Gamma^*]$  is a v-ideal of R, because each v-ideal is a t-ideal.

Case 1.  $\{\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_k\}$  is empty. In this case,  $(R : E[\Gamma^*]) = E[X]$  by Remark 2.2(2); so we need to show that  $(R : E[X]) = E[\Gamma^*]$ . It is clear that  $E[\Gamma^*] \subseteq (R : E[X])$ . For the converse, let  $f \in (R : E[X])$ . Then  $f E[X] \subseteq R$ . Since  $1 \in E[X]$ ,  $f \in R$ . Also, since  $X \in E[X]$ , f(0) = 0; so  $f \in E[\Gamma^*]$ .

**Case 2.**  $\{\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_k\}$  is nonempty. Deny the conclusion, and then there exists a polynomial  $g = g_0 + \sum_{i=1}^k g_{\alpha_i} X^{\alpha_i} + \sum_{i=F(\Gamma)+1}^l g_i X^i \in (E[\Gamma^*])_v \setminus E[\Gamma^*]$ . Hence  $g(R : E[\Gamma^*]) \subseteq R$ . Let  $f \in (R : E[\Gamma^*])$ . Then  $f \in E[X]$  by Remark 2.2(2); so we can write  $f = \sum_{i=0}^m f_i X^i$ . Note that

$$fg = f_0g_0 + g_0\sum_{i=1}^{\alpha_1 - 1} f_i X^i + (f_0g_{\alpha_1} + f_{\alpha_1}g_0)X^{\alpha_1} + X^{\alpha_1 + 1}h_1$$

for some  $h_1 \in E[X]$ . Since  $fg \in R$  and  $g_0 \neq 0$ ,  $f_1 = \cdots = f_{\alpha_1 - 1} = 0$ ; so  $f = f_0 + \sum_{i=\alpha_1}^m f_i X^i$ . Note that  $2\alpha_1 \in \Gamma^*$ ; so  $2\alpha_1 \ge F(\Gamma) + 1$  or  $2\alpha_1 = \alpha_p$  for some  $p \in \{2, \ldots, k\}$ . If  $2\alpha_1 \ge F(\Gamma) + 1$ , then we have

$$fg = f_0g_0 + (f_0g_{\alpha_1} + f_{\alpha_1}g_0)X^{\alpha_1} + g_0\sum_{i=\alpha_1+1}^{\alpha_2-1} f_iX^i + (f_0g_{\alpha_2} + f_{\alpha_2}g_0)X^{\alpha_2} + X^{\alpha_2+1}h_2$$

for some  $h_2 \in E[X]$ . Again, since  $fg \in R$ ,  $f_{\alpha_1+1} = \cdots = f_{\alpha_2-1} = 0$ . By repeating this process, we have  $f_i = 0$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0 \setminus \Gamma$ , and hence  $f \in R$ . Therefore  $(R : E[\Gamma^*]) = R$ . However, this is impossible because  $X^{F(\Gamma)} \in (R : E[\Gamma^*]) \setminus R$ . If  $2\alpha_1 = \alpha_p$  for some  $p \in \{2, \ldots, k\}$ , a simple modification of the proof of the previous case leads to the same conclusion because  $2\alpha_l \ge F(\Gamma) + 1$  for some  $l \le k$ . In either case,  $E[\Gamma^*]$  is a *v*-ideal, and thus  $E[\Gamma^*]$  is a *t*-ideal of *R*.

(2) This appears in [Lim 2012, Lemma 1.2].

Now, we are ready to give a necessary and sufficient condition for the domain R to be a weakly Krull domain.

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $R = D + E[\Gamma^*]$ , T = D + XE[X],  $T_n = D + X^n E[X]$  and  $\Delta_n = \{0\} \cup \{m \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid m \ge n\}$  for integers  $n \ge 2$ . Then the following statements are equivalent.

- (1) *R* is a weakly Krull domain.
- (2) T is a weakly Krull domain.
- (3)  $T_n$  is a weakly Krull domain.
- (4)  $X^n E[X]$  is a height-one maximal t-ideal of  $T_n$  and  $E[\Delta_n]$  is a weakly Krull domain.
- (5)  $E_{D\setminus\{0\}}$  is a field,  $qf(D) \cap E = D$  and E[X] is a weakly Krull domain.

*Proof.* (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let *T* be a weakly Krull domain. Let  $\Gamma = \{\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_k\} \cup \Delta_{F(\Gamma)+1}$  be such that  $0 < \alpha_1 < \cdots < \alpha_k < F(\Gamma) + 1$ . Then  $T = \bigcap_{P \in X^1(T)} T_P$  and this intersection has finite character. Note that XE[X] is a height-one prime ideal of *T* [Anderson et al. 2006, Theorem 3.4]; so  $E[\Gamma^*]$  is a height-one prime ideal of *R* by Lemma 2.1. We claim that  $R = \bigcap_{P \cap R \in X^1(R)} R_{P \cap R}$ , where *P* ranges over all height-one prime ideals of *T*. Suppose to the contrary that there exists an element *f* in  $\bigcap_{P \cap R \in X^1(R)} R_{P \cap R} \setminus R$ . Note that  $f \in T$ , and hence we can write  $f = \sum_{i=0}^m f_i X^i$ . Then there exists a polynomial  $g \in R \setminus E[\Gamma^*]$  such that  $fg \in R$ . Since  $g(0) \neq 0$ , the same argument as in the proof of Lemma 2.3(1) shows that  $f \in R$ , which contradicts the choice of *f*. Thus the equality holds. Since  $T = \bigcap_{P \in X^1(T)} T_P$  has finite character, it is clear that the intersection  $R = \bigcap_{P \cap R \in X^1(R)} R_{P \cap R}$  also has finite character. Thus *R* is a weakly Krull domain.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$  This implication was already shown in the proof of  $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$ .

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) Assume that  $T_n$  is a weakly Krull domain. Then t-dim $(T_n) = 1$  [Anderson et al. 1992, Lemma 2.1]; so  $X^n E[X]$  is a maximal t-ideal of  $T_n$  by Lemma 2.3(1).

Let  $S = \{X^m \mid m \in \Delta_n\}$ . Then  $E[\Delta_n]_S = E[X, X^{-1}] = (T_n)_S$  is a weakly Krull domain [Anderson et al. 1993, Proposition 4.7]. Note that XE[X] is a height-one prime ideal of E[X]; so  $X^n E[X]$  is a height-one prime ideal of  $E[\Delta_n]$  [Chang et al. 2012, Proposition 1.1]; so  $E[\Delta_n]_{X^n E[X]}$  is a one-dimensional quasi-local domain. Hence  $E[\Delta_n]_{X^n E[X]}$  is a weakly Krull domain. We claim that  $E[\Delta_n] =$  $E[\Delta_n]_S \cap E[\Delta_n]_{X^n E[X]}$ . Let  $f = f_0 + \sum_{i=n}^{k_1} f_i X^i$  and  $h = h_0 + \sum_{i=n}^{k_2} h_i X^i$  be nonzero elements of  $E[\Delta_n]$  with  $h(0) \neq 0$  and let  $g = \sum_{i=0}^{k_3} g_i X^i \in E[X] \setminus \{0\}$ with  $g(0) \neq 0$  satisfying  $\frac{g}{X^m} = \frac{f}{h} \in E[\Delta_n]_S \cap E[\Delta_n]_{X^n E[X]}$  for some nonnegative integer m. Then  $X^m f = gh$ ; so m = 0. By comparing coefficients of f and gh, it is easy to see that  $g_i = 0$  for all  $i = 1, \ldots, n-1$ . Hence  $\frac{g}{X^m} \in E[\Delta_n]$ . The reverse inclusion is clear. Thus  $E[\Delta_n]$  is a weakly Krull domain.

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (5) By [Zafrullah 2003, Lemma 2.6], ht<sub>*T*</sub>(*XE*[*X*]) =dim(*E*<sub>*D*\{0</sub>][*X*]). By (4), ht<sub>*T<sub>n</sub>*(*X<sup>n</sup>E*[*X*]) = 1; so the comment before Remark 2.2 establishes that</sub>

$$\dim(E_{D\setminus\{0\}}[X]) = 1.$$

Thus  $E_{D\setminus\{0\}}$  is a field. Also, since  $X^n E[X]$  is a maximal *t*-ideal of  $T_n$ ,  $qf(D) \cap E = D$  by Lemma 2.3(2). Finally, it follows directly from Theorem 1.3 that E[X] is a weakly Krull domain.

 $(5) \Rightarrow (2)$  [Anderson et al. 2006, Theorem 3.4].

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) In the proof of (2)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (4), the integer  $n \ge 2$  was arbitrary; so it suffices to show that  $X^{F(\Gamma)+1}E[X]$  is a height-one maximal *t*-ideal of  $T_{F(\Gamma)+1}$  and  $E[\Delta_{F(\Gamma)+1}]$  is a weakly Krull domain. Assume that *R* is a weakly Krull domain. Since *t*-dim(*R*) = 1 [Anderson et al. 1992, Lemma 2.1],  $E[\Gamma^*]$  is a height-one maximal *t*-ideal of *R* by Lemma 2.3(1); so  $X^{F(\Gamma)+1}E[X]$  is a height-one maximal *t*-ideal of  $T_{\Delta_{F(\Gamma)+1}}$  by Lemma 2.3(1); so  $X^{F(\Gamma)+1}E[X]$  is a height-one maximal *t*-ideal of  $T_{\Delta_{F(\Gamma)+1}}$  by Lemma 2.1 and the remark before Remark 2.2. Let  $S_1 = \{X^{\alpha} \mid \alpha \in \Delta_{F(\Gamma)+1}\}$  and  $S_2 = \{X^{\alpha} \mid \alpha \in \Gamma\}$ . Then  $E[\Delta_{F(\Gamma)+1}]_{S_1} = R_{S_2}$  is a weakly Krull domain [Anderson et al. 1993, Proposition 4.7]. Also,  $E[\Delta_{F(\Gamma)+1}]_{X^{F(\Gamma)+1}E[X]}$  is a weakly Krull domain because it is one-dimensional quasi-local. Note that  $E[\Delta_{F(\Gamma)+1}] = E[\Delta_{F(\Gamma)+1}]_{S_1} \cap E[\Delta_{F(\Gamma)+1}]_{X^{F(\Gamma)+1}E[X]}$  as in the proof of (3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4). Thus  $E[\Delta_{F(\Gamma)+1}]$  is a weakly Krull domain.

**Corollary 2.5.** Let  $R = D + E[\Gamma^*]$ , T = D + XE[X],  $T_n = D + X^nE[X]$  and  $\Delta_n = \{0\} \cup \{m \in \mathbb{N}_0 \mid m \ge n\}$  for integers  $n \ge 2$ . If  $char(E) \ne 0$ , then the following statements are equivalent.

- (1) R is an AWFD.
- (2) R is a GWFD.
- (3) T is an AWFD.

- (4) T is a GWFD.
- (5)  $T_n$  is an AWFD.
- (6)  $T_n$  is a GWFD.
- (7)  $X^n E[X]$  is a maximal t-ideal of  $T_n$ ,  $E[\Delta_n]$  is an AWFD and for each  $0 \neq e \in E$ , there exist an integer  $m = m(e) \ge 1$  and a unit u of E such that  $ue^m \in D$ .
- (8)  $X^n E[X]$  is a maximal t-ideal of  $T_n$ ,  $E[\Delta_n]$  is a GWFD and for each  $0 \neq e \in E$ , there exist an integer  $m = m(e) \ge 1$  and a unit u of E such that  $ue^m \in D$ .
- (9)  $qf(D) \cap E = D$ , E[X] is an AWFD and for each  $0 \neq e \in E$ , there exist an integer  $m = m(e) \ge 1$  and a unit u of E such that  $ue^m \in D$ .
- (10)  $qf(D) \cap E = D$ , E[X] is a GWFD and for each  $0 \neq e \in E$ , there exist an integer  $m = m(e) \ge 1$  and a unit u of E such that  $ue^m \in D$ .
- *Proof.* (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) and (5)  $\Rightarrow$  (6) Their definitions lead to these implications.
- (3)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (9) [Anderson et al. 2006, Theorem 3.5].
- (4)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (10) [Anderson and Chang 2007, Corollary 2.10].
- $(7) \Leftrightarrow (8)$  and  $(9) \Leftrightarrow (10)$  See Corollary 1.5.
- (7)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (9) This equivalence follows from Corollary 1.5 and Lemma 2.3(2).

 $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$  Assume that T is an AWFD. Then T is a weakly Krull domain [Anderson et al. 1992, Theorem 3.4]. Hence E[X] is a weakly Krull domain by Theorem 2.4. Let  $S = \{X^m \mid m \in \mathbb{N}_0\}$ . Since X is a prime element of E[X],  $Cl(E[X]) = Cl(T_S)$ is torsion [Anderson et al. 1993, Corollary 4.9]; so E[X] is an AWFD [Anderson et al. 1992, Theorem 3.4]. Let  $f \in R \setminus \{0\}$ . Then there exists an integer  $m \ge 1$ such that  $f^m = X^l f_1 \cdots f_r$  for some nonnegative positive integer l and primary elements  $f_1, \ldots, f_r$  of E[X] with nonzero constant terms. Also, since char $(E) \neq 0$ , there exists an integer  $k \ge F(\Gamma) + 1$  such that  $f_i^k \in E[\Gamma]$  for all i = 1, ..., r; so  $f^{mk} = X^{lk} f_1^k \cdots f_r^k \in E[\Gamma]$ . Fix an  $i \in \{1, \dots, r\}$ , and we claim that  $\sqrt{f_i^k E[\Gamma]}$  is a prime ideal of  $E[\Gamma]$  [Anderson et al. 2003b, Lemma 2.1]. Note that  $\sqrt{f_i E[X]} =$  $\sqrt{f_i^k E[X]}$ . If  $\sqrt{f_i^k E[X]} = XE[X]$ , then an easy calculation using a similar method as in the proof of (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) in Theorem 2.4 shows that  $\sqrt{f_i^k E[\Gamma]} = E[\Gamma^*]$  is a prime ideal. Assume that  $\sqrt{f_i^k E[X]} \neq XE[X]$ . Since  $f_i(0) \neq 0$ ,  $f_i^k E[X, X^{-1}]$  is a primary ideal of  $E[X, X^{-1}]$ ; so  $f_i^k E[X, X^{-1}] \cap E[\Gamma]$  is primary in  $E[\Gamma]$ . It is easy to see that  $\sqrt{f_i^k E[X, X^{-1}]} \cap E[\Gamma] = \sqrt{f_i^k E[\Gamma]}$ . Hence  $\sqrt{f_i^k E[\Gamma]}$  is a prime ideal. Therefore we may assume that  $f_1, \ldots, f_r$  are primary elements of  $E[\Gamma]$ with nonzero constant terms and write  $f^m = X^l f_1 \cdots f_r$  as above. Note that for each i = 1, ..., r, there exist a unit  $u_i$  of E and an integer  $a_i \ge F(\Gamma) + 1$  such that  $u_i f_i(0)^{a_i} \in D$  as in the proof of (3)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (9); so  $u_i f_i^{a_i} \in R$ . Let

$$a = a_1 \cdots a_r$$
,  $\hat{a_i} = \frac{a}{a_i}$ , and  $u = u_1^{\hat{a_1}} \cdots u_r^{\hat{a_r}}$ .

Then  $uf^{am} = X^{al}(u_1f_1^{a_1})^{\hat{a_1}}\cdots(u_rf_r^{a_r})^{\hat{a_r}}$  and  $\sqrt{(u_if_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a_i}}E[\Gamma]} = \sqrt{f_iE[\Gamma]}$  for each  $i = 1, \ldots, r$ . Since t-dim $(E[\Gamma]) = 1$ ,  $(u_if_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a_i}}E[\Gamma]$  is a primary ideal of  $E[\Gamma]$  [Anderson et al. 2003b, Lemma 2.1] for each  $1 \le i \le r$ .

**Claim.** For each  $1 \le i \le r$ ,  $(u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a_i}} R$  is a primary ideal of R.

*Proof.* Note that  $(u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a}_i} \in R$  and fix an  $i \in \{1, ..., r\}$ . We also note that t-dim(R) = 1 because R is a weakly Krull domain by Theorem 2.4. Hence, by [Anderson et al. 2003b, Lemma 2.1], it suffices to show that  $\sqrt{(u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a}_i} R}$  is a prime ideal of R. If  $\sqrt{(u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a}_i} E[\Gamma]} = E[\Gamma^*]$ , then it is easy to see that  $\sqrt{(u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a}_i} R} = E[\Gamma^*]$  is a prime ideal of R. Assume that  $\sqrt{(u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a}_i} E[\Gamma]} \neq E[\Gamma^*]$ . Then  $(u_i f_i^{(0)a_i})^{\hat{a}_i} \neq 0$ . Now, we show that  $(u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a}_i} E[X, X^{-1}] \cap R = (u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a}_i} R$ . Let  $h \in (u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a}_i} E[X, X^{-1}] \cap R$ . Note that we have

$$(u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a}_i} E[X, X^{-1}] \cap R \subseteq (u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a}_i} E[X, X^{-1}] \cap E[\Gamma]$$
  
=  $(u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a}_i} E[\Gamma]$ 

by adapting the proof of (2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) in Theorem 2.4. So, we can write  $h = (u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a_i}} g$  for some  $g \in E[\Gamma]$ . Then

$$g(0) = \frac{(u_i f_i(0)^{a_i})^{\hat{a}_i}}{h(0)} \in qf(D) \cap E = D$$

by Theorem 2.4; so  $g \in R$ . Therefore  $h \in (u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a}_i} R$ , and hence

 $(u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a}_i} E[X, X^{-1}] \cap R \subseteq (u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a}_i} R.$ 

The reverse inclusion is clear, and hence  $(u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a}_i} E[X, X^{-1}] \cap R = (u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a}_i} R$ . Since  $(u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a}_i} E[\Gamma]$  is a primary ideal of  $E[\Gamma]$ ,  $(u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a}_i} E[X, X^{-1}]$  is a primary ideal of  $E[X, X^{-1}]$ . Therefore  $\sqrt{(u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a}_i} R} = \sqrt{(u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a}_i} E[X, X^{-1}]} \cap R$  is a prime ideal of R, and thus  $(u_i f_i^{a_i})^{\hat{a}_i} R$  is a primary ideal of R. The claim is proved.  $\Box$ 

If l = 0, then  $uf(0)^{am} = (u_1 f_1(0)^{a_1})^{\hat{a_1}} \cdots (u_r f_r(0)^{a_r})^{\hat{a_r}} \in D$ ; so u is a unit of D because u is a unit of E. If  $l \ge 1$ , then  $f^{am} = u^{-1}X^{al}(u_1 f_1^{a_1})^{\hat{a_1}} \cdots (u_r f_r^{a_r})^{\hat{a_r}}$ . Since  $u^{-1}X^{al}E[\Gamma]$  is a primary ideal of  $E[\Gamma]$ ,  $u^{-1}X^{al}R$  is a primary ideal of R by imitating the previous proof. Hence  $f^{am}$  is a product of primary elements of R, and thus R is an AWFD.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (8) Assume that *R* is a GWFD and fix an integer  $n \ge 2$ . Then *R* is a weakly Krull domain [Anderson et al. 2003b, Corollary 2.3]; so  $X^n E[X]$  is a height-one maximal *t*-ideal of  $T_n$  by Theorem 2.4.

Next, we claim that  $E[\Delta_n]$  is a GWFD. Let  $S_1 = \{X^m \mid m \in \Delta_n\}$  and  $S_2 = \{X^m \mid m \in \Gamma\}$ . Then  $E[\Delta_n]_{S_1} = E[X, X^{-1}] = R_{S_2}$  is a GWFD. Let Q be a nonzero prime ideal of  $E[\Delta_n]$ . If  $Q \cap S_1 \neq \emptyset$ , then Q contains a primary element  $X^n$  of  $E[\Delta_n]$ . If  $Q \cap S_1 = \emptyset$ , then  $QE[\Delta_n]_{S_1}$  is a prime ideal of  $E[\Delta_n]_{S_1}$ ; so  $QE[\Delta_n]_{S_1}$  contains a primary element  $f \in E[X, X^{-1}]$ . Note that X is a unit of  $E[X, X^{-1}]$  and  $f^k \in E[\Delta_n]$  for some integer  $k \ge 1$  because  $char(E) \ne 0$ ; so we may assume that  $f \in E[\Delta_n]$  with  $f(0) \ne 0$ . Then

$$fE[\Delta_n] \subseteq fE[\Delta_n]_{S_1} \cap E[\Delta_n] \subseteq QE[\Delta_n]_{S_1} \cap E[\Delta_n] = Q;$$

so Q contains a primary element f. Hence  $E[\Delta_n]$  is a GWFD.

In order to check the final condition, let  $e \in E \setminus \{0\}$ . If e is a unit of E, then we have nothing to prove. So, we assume that e is not a unit of E and let  $h = e + X \in E[X]$ . Since  $c(h)_v = E$ ,  $hE[X] = hqf(E)[X] \cap E[X]$  [Anderson and Chang 2007, Lemma 2.1(1)]; so hE[X] is a height-one prime ideal. Let  $P = hE[X] \cap R$ . Since e is not a unit of E,  $X^{F(\Gamma)+1} \notin P$ ; so  $X^{\alpha} \notin P$  for all  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ . Therefore  $hE[X, X^{-1}] = PR_{S_2} \subseteq R_{S_2}$ , and hence  $ht_R(P) = 1$ . Since R is a GWFD,  $P = \sqrt{gR}$  for some primary element  $g \in R$  [Anderson et al. 2003b, Theorem 2.2]. Suppose to the contrary that g(0) = 0. Since  $E_{D\setminus\{0\}}$  is a field by Theorem 2.4,  $\frac{1}{e} = \frac{e'}{d}$  for some  $0 \neq d \in D$  and  $e' \in E$ ; so  $e'h = d + e'X \in T$ . Since  $char(E) \neq 0$ ,  $(e'h)^k \in hE[X] \cap R = P$  for some integer  $k \ge 1$ . Hence  $(e'h)^{kl} \in gR$  for some integer  $l \ge 1$ . However, this is impossible because  $e \neq 0$ . Therefore  $g(0) \neq 0$ . It is clear that  $gR_{S_2}$  is a primary ideal of  $R_{S_2}, gR_{S_2} \cap E[X] = gE[X], PR_{S_2} = \sqrt{gR_{S_2}}$  and  $PR_{S_2} \cap E[X] = hE[X]$ . Hence gE[X] is a hE[X]-primary ideal. Therefore  $g = uh^m$  for some  $u \in qf(E)$  and some integer  $m \ge 1$ ; so  $ue^m = g(0) \in D$ . Thus u is a unit of E.

 $(3) \Rightarrow (5)$  and  $(6) \Rightarrow (8)$  These implications can be obtained by applying  $\Gamma = \Delta_n$  to the proofs of  $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$  and  $(2) \Rightarrow (8)$ , respectively.

We are closing this paper by showing that  $R = D + E[\Gamma^*]$  is never a WFD and the assumption "char(E) = 0" is essential in Corollary 2.5.

**Remark 2.6.** Assume that  $R = D + E[\Gamma^*]$  is a WFD or an AWFD. Let  $h = 1 + X \in E[X]$ ,  $P = hE[X] \cap R$  and let M be a maximal t-ideal of R. If  $M = E[\Gamma^*]$ , then  $PR_M = R_M$  because  $1 + (-1)^{F(\Gamma)}X^{F(\Gamma)+1} \in P \setminus E[\Gamma^*]$ . Assume that  $M \neq E[\Gamma^*]$ . Since  $c(h)_v = E$ ,  $hqf(E)[X] \cap E[X] = hE[X]$  [Anderson and Chang 2007, Lemma 2.1(1)]. Let  $S = \{X^m \mid m \in \Gamma\}$ . Then  $PE[X, X^{-1}] = hE[X, X^{-1}]$ ; so  $PR_M = hR_M$  is principal. Hence P is t-locally principal, and thus P is t-invertible [Anderson et al. 1992, Lemma 2.2].

(1) If *R* is a WFD, then P = gR for some  $g \in R$  with  $g(0) \neq 0$  [Anderson and Zafrullah 1990, Theorem]. Note that  $hE[X, X^{-1}] = gE[X, X^{-1}]$ ; so g = uh for some unit *u* of *E*. Hence  $uh \in R$ , which is impossible. Thus *R* is not a WFD.

(2) Assume that *R* is an AWFD. Then  $P^m = gR$  for some integer  $m \ge 1$  and  $g \in R$  with  $g(0) \ne 0$  [Anderson et al. 1992, Theorem 3.4]. We note that

$$h^m E[X, X^{-1}] = g E[X, X^{-1}];$$

so  $uh^m = g$  for some unit u of E. Hence  $uh^m \in R$ . However, this can not happen if char(E) = 0. Thus R is never an AWFD whenever char(E) = 0.

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