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## DIFFERENTIAL POLYNOMIAL RINGS WHICH ARE GENERALIZED ASANO PRIME RINGS

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Let  $R[x; \delta]$  be a differential polynomial ring over a prime Goldie ring  $R$  in an indeterminate  $x$ , where  $\delta$  is a derivation of  $R$ . In this paper, we describe explicitly the group of  $\delta$ -stable v- $R$ -ideals and using this results, we show that  $R[x; \delta]$  is a generalized Asano prime ring if and only if  $R$  is a  $\delta$ -generalized Asano prime ring.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Throughout this paper,  $R$  denotes a prime Goldie ring with simple Artinian quotient ring  $Q$  (in other word,  $R$  is an order in a simple Artinian ring  $Q$ ) and  $R[x; \delta]$  is a differential polynomial ring over  $R$  in an indeterminate  $x$  with multiplication  $xa = ax + \delta(a)$ , where  $\delta$  is a derivation of  $R$ .

We define the concept of  $\delta$ -Krull prime rings and prove that  $R[x; \delta]$  is a Krull prime ring if and only if  $R$  is a  $\delta$ -Krull prime ring. We also determine the set of all maximal v-ideals of  $R[x; \delta]$  when it is a Krull prime ring.

In [8], we defined a notion of a  $\sigma$ -generalized Asano prime ring motivated by [1] and [2] and proved that a skew polynomial ring  $R[x; \sigma]$  over  $R$  in an indeterminate  $x$  is a generalized Asano prime ring if and only if  $R$  is a  $\sigma$ -generalized Asano prime ring, where  $\sigma$  is an automorphism of  $R$ .

In this paper, we define a notion of  $\delta$ -generalized Asano prime rings that are  $\delta$ -Krull prime rings whose  $\delta$ -v-ideals are invertible. We obtain that  $R[x; \delta]$  is a generalized Asano prime ring if and only if  $R$  is a  $\delta$ -generalized Asano prime ring, which is proved by using the complete description of maximal v-ideals of  $R[x; \delta]$ .

We refer readers to [9] or [10] for details of maximal orders and  $R$ -ideals.

## 2. $\delta$ -GENERALIZED ASANO PRIME RINGS

First we introduce some notation. For any right (left)  $R$ -ideals  $I$  ( $J$ ), let

$$(R : I)_l = \{q \in Q \mid qI \subseteq R\} \quad ((R : J)_r = \{q \in Q \mid Jq \subseteq R\})$$

which is a left (right)  $R$ -ideal and

$$I_v = (R : (R : I)_l)_r \quad (_vJ = (R : (R : J)_r)_l)$$

which is a right (left)  $R$ -ideal containing  $I$  ( $J$ ).  $I$  ( $J$ ) is called a right (left) v-ideal if  $I_v = I$  ( $_vJ = J$ ). In case  $I$  is a two-sided  $R$ -ideal, it is said to be a v-ideal if  $I_v = I = _vI$ .

Let  $E(Q/R)$  be the injective hull of a right  $R$ -module  $Q/R$  and let  $F(\tau)$  be a right Gabriel topology corresponding to the torsion theory cogenerated by  $E(Q/R)$ . Then

$$F(\tau) = \{H : \text{right ideal of } R \mid (R : r^{-1}H)_l = R \text{ for any } r \in R\}$$

where  $r^{-1}H = \{a \in R \mid ra \in H\}$  by [11, Proposition 5.5, p.147]. For a right ideal  $I$  of  $R$ , let

$$\text{cl}(I) = \{r \in R \mid rH \subseteq I \text{ for some } H \in F(\tau)\}.$$

If  $\text{cl}(I) = I$ , then  $I$  is said to be  $\tau$ -closed. We note that  $I \subseteq \text{cl}(I) \subseteq I_v$  for any right  $R$ -ideal of  $R$  and so right v-ideals are  $\tau$ -closed.  $R$  is called a right  $\tau$ -Noetherian ring if  $R$  satisfies the a.c.c. on  $\tau$ -closed right ideals. Similarly we define  $\tau$ -closed left ideals and left  $\tau$ -Noetherian rings and  $R$  is said to be  $\tau$ -Noetherian if it is right and left  $\tau$ -Noetherian. We note that if  $R$  is right or left  $\tau$ -Noetherian, then  $R$  satisfies the a.c.c. on right or left v-ideals of  $R$ .

Let  $\delta$  be a derivation of  $R$ , that is,  $\delta(ab) = \delta(a)b + a\delta(b)$  for  $a, b \in R$ . Then  $\delta$  is extended to a derivation of  $Q$  by  $\delta(ac^{-1}) = \delta(a)c^{-1} - ac^{-1}\delta(c)c^{-1}$ , where  $a \in R$  and  $c$  is a regular element of  $R$ .

An  $R$ -ideal  $I$  is called a  $\delta$ -stable ideal (or a  $\delta$ -ideal for short) if  $\delta(I) \subseteq I$ .  $R$  is called a  $\delta$ -Krull prime ring if it is a  $\tau$ -Noetherian and a  $\delta$ -maximal order in  $Q$ , that is,  $O_l(A) = R = O_r(A)$  for any  $\delta$ -ideal  $A$  of  $R$ , where

$$O_l(A) = \{q \in Q \mid qA \subseteq A\} \text{ and } O_r(A) = \{q \in Q \mid Aq \subseteq A\}.$$

In case  $\delta = 0$ ,  $R$  is said to be a Krull prime ring. Then we have the following.

*Proposition 2.1* —  $R$  is a  $\delta$ -Krull prime ring if and only if  $S = R[x; \delta]$  is a Krull prime ring.

**PROOF :** By [9, Proposition 2.3.15],  $R$  is  $\tau$ -Noetherian if and only if  $R[x; \delta]$  is  $\tau$ -Noetherian. Suppose  $R$  is a  $\delta$ -Krull prime ring and let  $A$  be a non-zero ideal of

$S$ . Then  $A' = AT$ , where  $T = Q[x; \delta]$ , is an ideal of  $T$  by [6, Theorem 9.20 (a)]. Let  $q \in O_l(A)$ , that is  $qA \subseteq A$ . Then  $qA' \subseteq A'$  and  $q \in O_l(A') = T$  since  $T$  is a principal ideal ring. Write  $q = q_nx^n + \cdots + q_1x + q_0$ , where  $q_i \in Q$  and let

$$L(A) = \{a_l \in R \mid \exists f(x) = a_lx^l + \cdots + a_1x + a_0 \in A\},$$

which is a  $\delta$ -ideal of  $R$ . For any  $a \in L(A)$ , there is an  $a(x) = ax^l + \cdots + a_1x + a_0 \in A$  and  $qa(x) \in A$  implies  $q_n a \in L(A)$ , that is  $q_n L(A) \subseteq L(A)$ . Hence  $q_n \in R$ . Continuing this method, we have  $q \in S$  and similarly  $O_r(A) = S$ . Hence  $S$  is a maximal order and so it is a Krull prime ring.

Conversely suppose that  $S$  is a Krull prime ring and let  $\mathfrak{a}$  be a  $\delta$ -ideal of  $R$ . Then  $A = \mathfrak{a}[x; \delta]$  is an ideal of  $S$ . Let  $q \in O_l(\mathfrak{a})$ . Then  $qA \subseteq A$  and so  $q \in S \cap Q = R$ . Similarly  $O_r(\mathfrak{a}) = R$  since  $S = R[x; -\delta] = \{x^n a_n + \cdots + a_1x + a_0 \mid a_i \in R\}$ . Hence  $R$  is a  $\delta$ -maximal order and so it is a  $\delta$ -Krull prime ring.  $\square$

If  $R$  is a  $\delta$ -Krull prime ring, then for any  $\delta$ -ideal  $A$ ,

$$(R : A)_l = A^{-1} = \{q \in Q \mid AqA \subseteq A\} = (R : A)_r$$

and so  $A_v = A^{-1-1} = {}_v A$  follows.

Let  $D_\delta(R)$  be the set of all  $\delta$ -v-ideals. For  $A, B \in D_\delta(R)$ , we define  $A \circ B = (AB)_v$ . The following lemma is proved in the standard way ([9, Theorem 2.1.2]). However we give a complete proof for reader's convenience.

*Lemma 2.2* — If  $R$  is a  $\delta$ -Krull prime ring, then  $D_\delta(R)$  is a free abelian group generated by maximal  $\delta$ -v-ideals of  $R$  with multiplication  $\circ$ .

**PROOF :** Let  $\mathfrak{m}$  be any maximal  $\delta$ -v-ideal of  $R$ . Then  $\mathfrak{m}$  is v-invertible, that is  $\mathfrak{m}^{-1} \circ \mathfrak{m} = R = \mathfrak{m} \circ \mathfrak{m}^{-1}$  because  $R \supseteq \mathfrak{m}^{-1}\mathfrak{m} \supset \mathfrak{m}$  and  $R \supseteq \mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{m}^{-1} \supset \mathfrak{m}$ .

For any different maximal  $\delta$ -v-ideals  $\mathfrak{m}$  and  $\mathfrak{n}$  of  $R$ , we claim that  $\mathfrak{m} \circ \mathfrak{n} = \mathfrak{m} \cap \mathfrak{n} = \mathfrak{n} \circ \mathfrak{m}$ . From  $\mathfrak{m} \supset \mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{m} \cap \mathfrak{n} \supseteq \mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{n}$ , we have  $R \supset \mathfrak{m}^{-1} \circ \mathfrak{a} \supset {}_v(\mathfrak{m}^{-1}\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{n}) = \mathfrak{n}$  and so  $\mathfrak{m}^{-1} \circ \mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{n}$ . Thus  $\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{m} \circ \mathfrak{n}$  and similarly  $\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{n} \circ \mathfrak{m}$ .

Next we will show that any  $\delta$ -v-ideal of  $R$  is a finite product of maximal  $\delta$ -v-ideals of  $R$ . Assume, on the contrary, that there is a  $\delta$ -v-ideal  $\mathfrak{a}$  of  $R$  which is not

a finite product of maximal  $\delta$ -v-ideals of  $R$ . Choose  $\mathfrak{a}$  maximal with this property. Then  $\mathfrak{a}$  is not a maximal  $\delta$ -v-ideal of  $R$ . Let  $\mathfrak{m}$  be a maximal  $\delta$ -v-ideal of  $R$  with  $\mathfrak{m} \supset \mathfrak{a}$ . Then  $R \supseteq \mathfrak{m}^{-1} \circ \mathfrak{a} \supset \mathfrak{a}$  and so  $\mathfrak{m}^{-1} \circ \mathfrak{a}$  is a finite product of maximal  $\delta$ -v-ideals of  $R$ . Thus so is  $\mathfrak{a}$ , which is a contradiction.

Finally let  $\mathfrak{a}$  be any  $\delta$ -v-ideal and  $\mathfrak{b} = \{r \in R \mid r\mathfrak{a} \subseteq R\}$ . Then  $\mathfrak{b}$  is a  $\delta$ -v-ideal of  $R$  and so  $\mathfrak{b}$  and  $\mathfrak{b} \circ \mathfrak{a}$  are both finite product of maximal  $\delta$ -v-ideals of  $R$ . Hence  $\mathfrak{a} = \mathfrak{b}^{-1} \circ (\mathfrak{b} \circ \mathfrak{a})$  is a finite product of maximal  $\delta$ -v-ideals  $\mathfrak{m}$  of  $R$  or its inverse  $\mathfrak{m}^{-1}$ . Thus  $D_\delta(R)$  is a free abelian group generated by maximal  $\delta$ -v-ideals.

A  $\delta$ -ideal  $P$  of  $R$  is called a  $\delta$ -prime ideal if  $IJ \subseteq P$  for  $\delta$ -ideals  $I$  and  $J$  of  $R$ , then  $I \subseteq P$  or  $J \subseteq P$ .

*Proposition 2.3* — Suppose  $S = R[x; \delta]$  is a Krull prime ring. Then  $\{\mathfrak{m}[x; \delta], M \mid \mathfrak{m}$  is a maximal  $\delta - v$ -ideal of  $R$  and  $M = M' \cap S$ , where  $M'$  is a maximal ideal of  $T = Q[x; \delta]\}$  is the set of all maximal v-ideals of  $S$ .

**PROOF :** Let  $M$  be any maximal v-ideal of  $S$  and  $\mathfrak{m} = M \cap R$ . It is easy to see that  $M$  is a prime ideal and  $\mathfrak{m}$  is a  $\delta$ -prime v-ideal.

(i) In case  $\mathfrak{m} \neq (0)$ . By [7, Lemma 1.3],  $\mathfrak{m}[x; \delta]$  is a prime ideal and it is a v-ideal (see the proof of [12, Lemma 3]). Hence  $M = \mathfrak{m}[x; \delta]$  and  $\mathfrak{m}$  is a maximal  $\delta$ -v-ideal since  $M$  is a minimal prime ideal of  $S$  by [10, Proposition 5.1.9]. Conversely suppose  $\mathfrak{m}$  is a maximal  $\delta$ -v-ideal. Then it is a  $\delta$ -prime ideal and so  $\mathfrak{m}[x; \delta]$  is a prime v-ideal. Hence it is a maximal v-ideal.

(ii) In case  $\mathfrak{m} = (0)$ . Put  $M' = MT$ , a proper ideal of  $T$ . To prove that  $M'$  is a maximal ideal of  $T$ , let  $N'$  be a maximal ideal of  $T$  with  $N' \supseteq M'$ . Then  $N' = NT$ , where  $N = N' \cap S$ . Since  $S$  is  $\tau$ -Noetherian and  $T$  is a principal ideal ring, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} N' &= N'_v = (T : (T : N')_l)_r = (T : T(S : N)_l)_r \\ &= (S : (S : N)_l)_r T = N_v T. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $N$  is a v-ideal and so  $N = M$ . Hence  $M'$  is a maximal ideal of  $T$  with  $M = M' \cap S$ .

Conversely if  $M'$  is a maximal ideal of  $T$ , then  $M = M' \cap S$  is a maximal v-ideal which is clear from the proof above.  $\square$

*Lemma 2.4* — Suppose  $S = R[x; \delta]$  is a Krull prime ring. If  $A$  is a v-S-ideal contained in  $T = Q[x; \delta]$  with  $\mathfrak{a} = A \cap Q \neq (0)$ , then  $A = \mathfrak{a}[x; \delta]$ .

PROOF : By Lemma 2.2 and Proposition 2.3,  $A = \mathfrak{b}[x; \delta] \circ B$  where  $\mathfrak{b}$  is a  $\delta$ -v-ideal and  $B = (M_1^{e_1} \cdots M_k^{e_k})_v$  such that  $M'_i = M_i T$  is a maximal ideal of  $T$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq k$ . Thus  $T = AT = (\mathfrak{b}[x; \delta]B)_v T = BT$  and so  $e_1 = \cdots = e_k = 0$ . Hence  $A = \mathfrak{b}[x; \delta]$  with  $\mathfrak{b} = A \cap Q = \mathfrak{a}$ .  $\square$

An  $R$ -ideal  $A$  is said to be invertible if  $A^{-1}A = R = AA^{-1}$ . Then we call  $R$  a  $\delta$ -generalized Asano prime ring if it is a  $\delta$ -Krull prime ring whose  $\delta$ -v-ideals are invertible. In case  $\delta = 0$ ,  $R$  is said to be a generalized Asano prime ring. Let  $R$  be a  $\delta$ -Krull prime ring. Then, by Lemma 2.2,  $R$  is a  $\delta$ -generalized Asano prime ring if and only if any  $\delta$ -v-ideal of  $R$  is invertible, which is equivalent to that any maximal  $\delta$ -v-ideal of  $R$  is invertible.

*Lemma 2.5* — Suppose  $R$  is a  $\delta$ -generalized Asano prime ring. If  $B = (M_1^{e_1} \cdots M_k^{e_k})_v$  is a v-ideal of  $S = R[x; \delta]$ , where  $M'_i = M_i T$  is a maximal ideal of  $T$ , then  $B$  is invertible.

PROOF : Since  $BT$  is an ideal,  $BT = wT$  for some central element  $w$  in  $T$  by [3, Remark 1, p.95] and so  $w^{-1}B$  is a v-S-ideal such that  $w^{-1}B \subseteq T$  with  $\mathfrak{a} = w^{-1}B \cap Q \neq (0)$ . It follows that from Lemma 2.4 that  $w^{-1}B = \mathfrak{a}[x; \delta]$ . Hence  $B = w\mathfrak{a}[x; \delta]$  is invertible.  $\square$

Now we obtain the main result of this paper.

**Theorem 2.6** — Let  $R$  be a prime Goldie ring in a simple Artinian ring  $Q$ . Then  $R$  is a  $\delta$ -generalized Asano prime ring if and only if  $S = R[x; \delta]$  is a generalized Asano prime ring.

PROOF : Suppose  $R$  is a  $\delta$ -generalized Asano prime ring. Let  $A$  be a v-ideal of  $S$ . Then  $A = \mathfrak{a}[x; \delta] \circ B = \mathfrak{a}[x; \delta]B$ , where  $\mathfrak{a}$  is a  $\delta$ -v-ideal and  $B$  is as in Lemma 2.5. Hence  $A$  is invertible and so  $S$  is a generalized Asano prime ring.

Conversely suppose  $S$  is a generalized Asano prime ring. Let  $\mathfrak{a}$  be a  $\delta$ -v-ideal of  $R$ . Then  $A = \mathfrak{a}[x; \delta]$  is invertible with  $A^{-1} = \mathfrak{a}^{-1}[x; \delta]$  and so  $\mathfrak{a}$  is invertible. Hence  $R$  is a  $\delta$ -generalized Asano prime ring.  $\square$

In [1] and [2], she studied Noetherian generalized Dedekind prime rings, which are generalized Asano prime rings in our sense. We give an example of non-Noetherian generalized Asano prime rings.

*Lemma 2.7* — Let  $D$  be a commutative domain with quotient field  $K$  and  $R = D[\mathbf{x}]$  be a polynomial ring over  $D$  in indeterminates  $\mathbf{x} = \{x_i\}$  (we do not assume that  $\{x_i\}$  is finite). Further let  $\mathbf{x}'$  be a finite subset of  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $I$  be a  $D[\mathbf{x}']$ -ideal. Then  $(R : I[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'])_l = (D[\mathbf{x}'] : I)_l[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}']$  and in particular  $(I[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'])_v = I_v[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}']$ .

**PROOF :** It is clear  $(D[\mathbf{x}'] : I)_l[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'] \subseteq (R : I[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'])_l$ . Let  $\alpha$  be an element in  $(R : I[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'])_l$  and  $K(\mathbf{x}')$  be the quotient field of  $K[\mathbf{x}']$ . Then  $IK(\mathbf{x}') = K(\mathbf{x}')$  and  $\alpha I \subseteq R$  imply  $\alpha \in \alpha K(\mathbf{x}') = \alpha IK(\mathbf{x}') \subseteq RK(\mathbf{x}') \subseteq K(\mathbf{x}')[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}']$ . So we can write  $\alpha = q_l \mathbf{x}_1 + \cdots + q_i \mathbf{x}_i + \cdots + q_0$ , where  $q_i \in K(\mathbf{x}')$  and  $\mathbf{x}_i$ 's are subsets of  $\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'$ . Hence  $q_i I \subseteq D[\mathbf{x}']$  for each  $i$  and  $q_i \in (D[\mathbf{x}'] : I)_l$ . Therefore  $\alpha \in (D[\mathbf{x}'] : I)_l[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}']$  follows.  $\square$

*Lemma 2.8* — Let  $D$  be a commutative Krull domain and  $R = D[\mathbf{x}]$  be a polynomial ring over  $D$  in indeterminates  $\mathbf{x}$ , where  $\mathbf{x}$  is infinite or finite. Then

(1)  $R$  is a Krull domain and it is not Noetherian if  $\mathbf{x}$  is an infinite set.

(2) For any maximal v-ideal  $P$  of  $R$ , there exists a finite subset  $\mathbf{x}'$  of  $\mathbf{x}$  such that  $P = P_0[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}']$ , where  $P_0 = P \cap D[\mathbf{x}']$  and  $P_0$  is a maximal v-ideal of  $D[\mathbf{x}']$ .

**PROOF :** (1) See for example [4, Theorem 4.2.9].

(2) Let  $P$  be a maximal v-ideal of  $R = D[\mathbf{x}]$ . Then there exists a finite subset of  $\mathbf{x}'$  of  $\mathbf{x}$  with  $P_0 = D[\mathbf{x}'] \cap P \neq (0)$ . If  $AB \subseteq P_0$  for ideals  $A$  and  $B$  of  $D[\mathbf{x}']$ , then  $A[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}']B[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'] = AB[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'] \subseteq P_0[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'] \subseteq P$  and so we have  $A[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'] \subseteq P$  or  $B[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'] \subseteq P$ . Hence  $A \subseteq P_0$  or  $B \subseteq P_0$  holds and  $P_0$  is a prime ideal of  $D[\mathbf{x}']$ . Now  $P_0[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'] \subseteq P$  and so  $(P_0)_v[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'] = (P_0[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'])_v \subseteq P_v = P$  by Lemma 2.7. Hence  $(P_0)_v = P_0$  and  $P_0$  is a prime v-ideal. Since  $P$  is a minimal

prime ideal, we have  $P = P_0[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}']$ .  $\square$

*Example :* Let  $D$  be a generalized Dedekind domain. Then  $R = D[\mathbf{x}]$  is also a generalized Dedekind domain. If  $\mathbf{x}$  is infinite, then  $R$  is not Noetherian.

**PROOF :** Since  $R$  is a Krull domain, it is sufficient to prove that any maximal v-ideal is invertible. But this follows from the relation  $P = P_0[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}']$  because  $D[\mathbf{x}']$  is a generalized Dedekind domain.  $\square$

A generalized Asano prime ring is a Krull prime ring. But the converse does not necessarily hold (see [5, p.8, Example 1.10]).

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