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# GORENSTEIN SEMIHEREDITARY RINGS AND GORENSTEIN PRÜFER DOMAINS

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ABSTRACT. We investigate the Gorenstein semihereditary rings and Gorenstein Prüfer domains in terms of the notion of the copure flat dimension cfD(R) of a ring R which is defined in [X. H. Fu and N. Q. Ding, Comm. Algebra, 38(12) (2010), 4531-4544].

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## 1. Introduction

Throughout this paper, R is an associative commutative ring with identity. For an R-module M,  $\operatorname{fd}_R M$  (resp.  $\operatorname{id}_R M$ ) stands for the flat (resp. injective) dimension of M. We also use  $w.\operatorname{gl.dim}(R)$  (resp.  $\operatorname{gl.dim}(R)$ ) to denote the weak global (resp. global) dimension of R.

A ring R is said to be hereditary if every ideal of R is projective, and a hereditary domain is called a Dedekind domain. More generally, a ring R is called semihereditary if every finitely generated ideal of R is projective. It is well known that a ring R is semihereditary if and only if R is coherent and  $w.gl.dim(R) \leq 1$ . A semihereditary domain is said to be a Prüfer domain.

An R-module M is said to be Gorenstein projective (G-projective for short) if there is an exact sequence of projective modules

$$\mathbf{P} = \dots \to P_1 \to P_0 \to P^0 \to P^1 \to \dots$$

such that  $M \cong \text{Im}(P_0 \to P^0)$  and that  $\text{Hom}_R(-, Q)$  leaves the sequence **P** exact whenever Q is a projective R-module. We say that a module M has Gorenstein projective dimension at most a positive integer n and we write  $\text{Gpd}_R M \leq n$ , if

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there is an exact sequence of modules  $0 \to P_n \to P_{n-1} \to \cdots \to P_1 \to P_0 \to M \to 0$  where each  $P_i$  is Gorenstein projective. The Gorenstein global dimension G-gl.dim(R) of R is defined as G-gl.dim $(R) = \sup\{ \operatorname{Gpd}_R M \mid M \text{ is any } R\text{-module } \}$ . Recall that a ring R is called Gorenstein hereditary if G-gl.dim $(R) \leq 1$  ( i.e., R is a ring such that all submodules of a projective R-module are Gorenstein projective). Also, a Gorenstein hereditary domain is called a Gorenstein Dedekind domain.

An R-module M is said to be Gorenstein flat (G-flat for short) if there is an exact sequence of flat modules

$$\mathbf{F} = \dots \to F_1 \to F_0 \to F^0 \to F^1 \to \dots$$

such that  $M \cong \text{Im}(F_0 \to F^0)$  and that  $E \bigotimes_R -$ , leaves the sequence  $\mathbf{F}$  exact whenever E is an injective R-module. We say that a module M has Gorenstein flat dimension at most a positive integer n and we write  $\text{Gfd}_R M \leq n$ , if there is an exact sequence of modules  $0 \to F_n \to F_{n-1} \to \cdots \to F_1 \to F_0 \to M \to 0$  where each  $F_i$  is Gorenstein flat. The Gorenstein weak global dimension G-w.gl.dim(R)of R is defined as G-w.gl.dim $(R) = \sup\{\text{Gfd}_R M \mid M \text{ is any } R\text{-module }\}$ . Recall that a ring R is called Gorenstein semihereditary [24] if it is a coherent ring with G-w.gl.dim $(R) \leq 1$ , ( i.e., R is a coherent ring such that all submodules of a flat R-module are Gorenstein flat). In [11], Gao and Wang shown that a ring R is Gorenstein semihereditary if and only if all finitely generated submodules of a projective R-module are Gorenstein projective. The Gorenstein semihereditary domains are called Gorenstein Prüfer domains in [28].

Let us to denote the class of R-modules with flat dimension at most a fixed nonnegative integer n by  $\mathcal{F}_n$ . In [9], Fu et al. introduced the concepts of copure projective modules, n-copure projective modules, strongly copure projective modules, and the copure projective dimension. An R-module M is called n-copure projective if  $\operatorname{Ext}_R^1(M, N) = 0$  for any R-module  $N \in \mathcal{F}_n$ . 0-copure projective modules are said simply to copure projective. M is said to be strongly copure projective if  $\operatorname{Ext}_R^{i+1}(M, F) = 0$  for any flat R-module F, and all  $i \ge 0$ . The copure projective dimension  $cpd_R(M)$  of an R-module M is defined to be the smallest integer  $n \ge 0$ such that  $\operatorname{Ext}_R^{n+i}(M, F) = 0$  for any flat R-module F and for any  $i \ge 0$ . Of course, if no such n exists, write  $cpd_R(M) = \infty$ . Thus  $cpd_R(M) \le m$  is equivalent to Mhas a strongly copure projective resolution

$$0 \longrightarrow P_m \longrightarrow P_{m-1} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow P_1 \longrightarrow P_0 \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow 0,$$

where each  $P_i$  is strongly copure projective. The copure projective dimension of a ring R is defined as

$$cpD(R) = \sup\{ cpd_R(M) \mid M \text{ is an } R\text{-module} \}.$$

In [33,35], Xiong et al. proved that a ring R has  $cpD(R) \leq 1$  if and only if every submodule of a projective R-module is copure projective. In this case, R is said to be a CPH (Copure-Projective-Hereditary) ring provisionally. Moreover, they proved that a domain R is a Gorenstein Dedekind domain if and only if  $cpD(R) \leq 1$ .

As in [6], Enochs and Jenda introduce the concepts of copure flat modules and strongly copure flat modules. For an *R*-module *M*, *M* is called copure flat if  $\operatorname{Tor}_1^R(E, M) = 0$  for any injective *R*-module *E*, and *M* is called strongly copure flat if  $\operatorname{Tor}_i^R(E, M) = 0$  for any injective *R*-module *E* and for all  $i \ge 1$ . Mao and Ding introduced the concept of *n*-copure flat modules in [25]. For an *R*-module *M*, *M* is called *n*-copure flat if  $\operatorname{Tor}_1^R(E, M) = 0$  for any *R*-module *E* with  $\operatorname{id}_R E \le n$ . In the paper [6] the author defined the copure flat dimension  $cfd_R M$  of an *R*module *M* to be the largest integer  $n \ge 0$  such that  $\operatorname{Tor}_n^R(E, M) \ne 0$  for some injective *R*-module *E*. Of course, if no such *n* exists, write  $cfd_R(M) = \infty$ . Thus  $cfd_R M = 0$  if and only if *M* is strongly copure flat. As in [8, Lemma 3.2], it was shown that for an *R*-module *M*,  $cfd_R M \le m$  if and only if  $\operatorname{Tor}_{m+i}^R(E, M) = 0$ for any injective *R*-module *E*. The copure flat dimension of a ring *R* is defined as  $cfD(R) = \sup\{cfd_R(M) \mid M$  is an *R*-module  $\}$ . Recently, Xiong proved [34] that a domain *R* has  $cfD(R) \le 1$  if and only if it is a Gorenstein Prüfer domain.

In this paper, a coherent ring R with  $cfD(R) \leq 1$  is called a semi-CPH ring. We prove that all Gorenstein semihereditary rings exactly are semi-CPH rings. In terms of this result, we study the Gorenstein Prüfer domains.

## 2. Semi-CPH rings and Gorenstein semihereditary rings

We give some examples as follow.

**Example 2.1.** A ring R with  $cfD(R) \leq 1$  is not necessarily coherent. For example, let M be a family of pairwise disjoint intervals of the real line with rational endpoints, such that between any two intervals of M there is at least another interval in M. Let A be the ring of continuous functions that are rational constant except on finitely many of these intervals on which it is given by a polynomial with rational coefficients. Then A is a noncoherent ring with w.gl.dim(A) = 1 by [32, Example 6.2]. But  $cfD(A) \leq w.gl.dim(A) = 1$ .

**Example 2.2.** A coherent ring not necessarily has  $cfD(R) \leq 1$ . Set  $R = \mathbb{Z}[x]$ , where  $\mathbb{Z}$  is the set of integers and x is an indeterminate over  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Then R is a coherent domain. If  $cfD(R) \leq 1$ , by [36, Theorem 5],  $cfD(\mathbb{Z} \cong R/xR) = cfD(R) - 1 = 0$ . By [8, Corollary 3.11],  $\mathbb{Z}$  is an IF domain. Then  $\mathbb{Z}$  is a field. This is a contradiction. Hence cfD(R) > 1.

**Lemma 2.3.** [8, Theorem 3.8] The following statements are equivalent for a ring R:

- (1)  $cfD(R) \le 1$ .
- (2)  $\operatorname{fd}_R E \leq 1$  for any injective *R*-module *E*.

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let *E* be an injective *R*-module. For any *R*-module *N*, there exists an exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow K \rightarrow F \rightarrow N \rightarrow 0$  with *F* flat and *K* strongly copure flat by hypothesis. Since  $0 = \operatorname{Tor}_{2}^{R}(E, F) \rightarrow \operatorname{Tor}_{2}^{R}(E, N) \rightarrow \operatorname{Tor}_{1}^{R}(E, K) = 0$  is exact,  $\operatorname{Tor}_{2}^{R}(E, N) = 0$ . Hence  $\operatorname{fd}_{R}E \leq 1$ .

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$  Let M be any R-module. For any injective R-module E,  $\operatorname{Tor}_2^R(E, M) = 0$  since  $\operatorname{fd}_R E \leq 1$  by hypothesis. Then  $cfd_R M \leq 1$ . Hence the result holds.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 2.4.** The following statements are equivalent for a ring R:

- (1) R is a semi-CPH ring.
- (2) Every finitely generated ideal of R is finitely presented strongly copure projective.
- (3) Every finitely generated ideal of R is finitely presented copure projective.
- (4) *R* is coherent, and every submodule of a projective module is strongly copure flat.
- (5) R is coherent, and every submodule of a projective module is copure flat.
- (6) Every finitely generated submodule of a projective module is finitely presented strongly copure projective.
- (7) Every finitely generated submodule of a projective module is finitely presented copure projective.
- (8) R is coherent, and  $cfd_RM \leq 1$  for all finitely presented R-module M.
- (9) R is coherent, and  $cpd_RM \leq 1$  for all finitely presented R-module M.

**Proof.**  $(1) \Rightarrow (4) \Rightarrow (5)$  and  $(9) \Rightarrow (2) \Rightarrow (3)$  Clear.

 $(1) \Rightarrow (2)$  Let *I* be a finitely generated ideal of *R*. Then *I* is a finitely presented strongly copure flat *R*-module. By [9, Proposition 3.7], *I* is strongly copure projective.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let *I* be an ideal of *R*. Then  $I = \lim_{i \to i} I_i$  where each  $I_i$  is finitely generated ideal of *R*. By [9, Proposition 3.7] again,  $I_i$  is copure flat. For any

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injective *R*-module *E*,  $\operatorname{Tor}_{1}^{R}(E, I = \lim_{\longrightarrow} I_{i}) \cong \lim_{\longrightarrow} \operatorname{Tor}_{1}^{R}(E, I_{i}) = 0$  holds. Hence  $cfD(R) \leq 1$  holds.

 $(5) \Rightarrow (1)$  Let E be an injective R-module. For any R-module X, there exists an exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow P \rightarrow X \rightarrow 0$  with P projective and A copure flat by hypothesis. Since  $0 = \operatorname{Tor}_{2}^{R}(E, P) \rightarrow \operatorname{Tor}_{2}^{R}(E, X) \rightarrow \operatorname{Tor}_{1}^{R}(E, A) = 0$  is exact, we get  $\operatorname{Tor}_{2}^{R}(E, X) = 0$ . Hence  $\operatorname{fd}_{R}E \leq 1$  and  $cfD(R) \leq 1$  by Lemma 2.3.

 $(4) \Rightarrow (6) \Rightarrow (8)$  and  $(5) \Rightarrow (7) \Rightarrow (9) \Rightarrow (8)$  By [9, Proposition 3.7].

 $(8) \Rightarrow (9)$  Let M be a finitely presented R-module. By hypothesis,  $cfd_RM \leq 1$ . Then there exists an exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$ , where  $P_0$  finitely generated projective and  $P_1$  is strongly copure flat. Since R is coherent,  $P_1$  is finitely presented. For any flat R-module  $F, F^+$  is injective by [7, Theorem 3.2.10]. Then  $\operatorname{Ext}^i_R(P_1, F)^+ \cong \operatorname{Tor}^R_i(P_1, F^+) = 0$  by [13, Lemma 1.2.11]. It follows that  $P_1$ is strongly copure projective. Hence  $cpd_RM \leq 1$ .

**Theorem 2.5.** A ring R is a Gorenstein semihereditary ring if and only if R is a semi-CPH ring.

**Proof.** If R is a Gorenstein semihereditary ring, let M be a finitely generated submodule of a projective R-module P. By [11, Theorem 2.6], M is a finitely generated Gorenstein projective module. Since R is coherent, M is finitely presented. Let F be a flat module. By [30, Theorem 5.40],  $F = \lim_{K \to I} F_i$ , where each  $F_i$  is finitely generated free R-module. Then  $\operatorname{Ext}_R^1(M, F = \lim_{K \to I} F_i) \cong \lim_{K \to I} \operatorname{Ext}_R^1(M, F_i) = 0$  by [12, Theorem 2.1.5] and [7, Theorem 10.4.18]. Thus M is finitely presented copure projective. Hence R is a semi-CPH ring by Theorem 2.4.

Assume that R is a semi-CPH ring, let E be an injective R-module. For any finitely presented R-module M,  $cfd_RM \leq 1$  holds by Theorem 2.4. By [8, Lemma 3.1],  $\operatorname{Tor}_2^R(M, E) = 0$  holds. Thus  $\operatorname{fd}_RE \leq 1$ . Hence R is a Gorenstein semihereditary ring by [24, Proposition 3.3].

An R-module M is said to be Ding projective in [37], if there is an exact sequence of projective modules

$$\mathbf{P} = \cdots \to P_1 \to P_0 \to P^0 \to P^1 \to \cdots$$

such that  $M \cong \text{Im}(P_0 \to P^0)$  and that  $\text{Hom}_R(-, F)$  leaves the sequence **P** exact whenever F is a flat R-module. It is clear that all Ding projective modules are Gorenstein projective.

Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a class of R-modules, by an  $\mathcal{F}$ -preenvelope of an R-module M we mean a morphism  $\varphi: M \to F$  where  $F \in \mathcal{F}$  such that for any morphism  $f: M \to F'$  with  $F' \in \mathcal{F}$ , there is a  $g: F \to F'$  such that  $f = g\varphi$ . We say that  $\mathcal{F}$  is preenveloping if every *R*-module has an  $\mathcal{F}$ -preenvelope. For an *R*-module *M*, we use  $M^+$  to denote  $\operatorname{Hom}_Z(M, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z})$ .

Let M be an R-module. We say that M has a right flat resolution if there is a sequence  $0 \to M \to F^0 \to F^1 \to \cdots$  (not necessarily exact) with each  $F^i$  flat, and the sequence  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(-, F)$  is exact for any flat R-module F.

**Theorem 2.6.** The following statements are equivalent for a ring R:

- (1) R is a Gorenstein semihereditary ring.
- (2) Every finitely generated submodule of a finitely generated projective module is a finitely presented Ding projective module.
- (3) Every finitely generated ideal of R is a finitely presented Ding projective module.

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let P be a finitely generated projective module and let M be a finitely generated submodule of P. By Theorem 2.4 and Theorem 2.5, Mis strongly copure projective. Since R is coherent, M has a flat preenvelope  $f: M \to F^0$  with  $F^0$  being flat by [7, Proposition 6.5.1]. Consider the exact sequence  $0 \to A^0 \to P^0 \xrightarrow{\lambda} F^0 \to 0$  with  $P^0$  projective and  $A^0$  flat, the sequence  $0 \to \operatorname{Hom}_{R}(M, A^{0}) \to \operatorname{Hom}_{R}(M, P^{0}) \to \operatorname{Hom}_{R}(M, F^{0}) \to \operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{1}(M, A^{0}) = 0.$ There exists  $g \in \operatorname{Hom}_R(M, P^0)$  such that  $f = \lambda g$ . It is clear that  $g : M \to P^0$  is a flat preenvelope. Thus for any flat R-module F, the sequence  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(P^0, F) \to$  $\operatorname{Hom}_{R}(\operatorname{Im}(q), F) \to 0$  is exact. In addition, the exactness of  $0 \to \operatorname{Im}(q) \to$  $P^0 \to \operatorname{cok}(g) \to 0$  yields the exact sequence  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(P^0, F) \to \operatorname{Hom}_R(\operatorname{Im}(g), F) \to$  $\operatorname{Ext}^1_R(\operatorname{cok}(g), F) \to \operatorname{Ext}^1_R(P^0, F) = 0.$  Hence  $\operatorname{Ext}^1_R(\operatorname{cok}(g), F) = 0$  and  $\operatorname{cok}(g)$  is copure projective. So  $\operatorname{cok}(q)$  has a flat preenvelope  $s : \operatorname{cok}(q) \to P^1$  with  $P^1$ projective by the proof above. Continuing this process, we can get the sequence  $0 \to M \to P^0 \to P^1 \to \cdots$  with each  $P^i$  projective such that for any flat module F, the sequence  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(-, F)$  is exact, that is, M has an exact right flat resolution. For all  $i \ge 1$ ,  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{i}(M, R^{+}) = 0$  holds since  $R^{+}$  is injective, and  $M^{+} \cong \operatorname{Hom}_{R}(M, R^{+})$ . Since  $R^+$  is injective cogenerator, the sequence  $0 \to M \to P^0 \to P^1 \to \cdots$  is exact. On the other hand, since M is strongly copure projective, for any flat *R*-module F,  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{i}(M,F) = 0$  for all  $i \geq 1$ . So there exists an exact sequence  $\cdots \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$  such that  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(-,F)$  is exact. Now, we get an exact sequence  $\cdots \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow P^0 \rightarrow P^1 \rightarrow \cdots$  of projective modules with  $M \cong \operatorname{Im}(P_0 \to P^0)$ , and for any flat *R*-module *F*,  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(-, F)$  is exact. Hence *M* is Ding projective.

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

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1) Let F be a flat R-module. It is clear that R is coherent. Let I be a finitely generated ideal of R. By hypothesis, I is a finitely presented Ding projective module. Then there exists an exact sequence  $\mathbf{I} = \cdots \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow P^0 \rightarrow P^1 \rightarrow \cdots$  of finitely generated projective modules with  $I \cong \text{Im}(P_0 \rightarrow P^0)$ , and  $\text{Hom}_R(\mathbf{I}, F)$  is exact. Then the sequence  $\mathbf{I}' = \cdots \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow I \rightarrow 0$  is exact and  $\text{Hom}_R(\mathbf{I}', F)$  is exact. So we can get  $\text{Ext}^1_R(I, F) = 0$ . Thus I is finitely presented copure projective. By Theorem 2.4, R is a semi-CPH ring. Hence (1) holds by Theorem 2.5.

Let M be an R-module. For any  $a \in R$  which is neither a non-zero-divisor nor a unit, set  $M^a = \{m \in M \mid am = 0\}$ . It is clear that  $M^a \cong \operatorname{Tor}_1^R(R/aR, M)$ . Let us say that an R-module M is torsion-free if, ax = 0, for  $x \in M$  and for a non-zero-divisor a, we have x = 0, that is,  $M^a = 0$ . Note that flat modules are torsion-free. We pose the following question: whether Gorenstein flat modules are also torsion-free.

**Theorem 2.7.** Let R be a Gorenstein semihereditary ring. Then every Gorenstein flat R-module M is torsion-free. Moreover, if R is a Gorenstein Prüfer domain, every finitely generated torsion-free module is finitely presented copure projective.

**Proof.** Let M be a Gorenstein flat R-module. For any  $a \in R$  which is neither a non-zero-divisor nor a unit,  $\operatorname{fd}_R R/aR \leq 1$  and the sequence  $0 \to aR \to R \to R/aR \to 0$  is exact. Let I be an ideal of R. By hypothesis, R is a Gorenstein semihereditary ring, and so  $cfD(R) \leq 1$  by Theorem 2.5. Then  $cfd_R(R/I) \leq 1$ , and hence  $\operatorname{Tor}_2^R(R/I, R^+) = 0$ . Thus  $\operatorname{fd}_R R^+ \leq 1$ . Now, let X be an R-module. Then we can obtain  $\operatorname{fd}_R(R/aR)^+ \leq 1$  from the sequence  $0 = \operatorname{Tor}_3^R(X, (aR)^+) \to \operatorname{Tor}_2^R(X, (R/aR)^+) \to \operatorname{Tor}_2^R(X, (R/aR)^+) \to \operatorname{Tor}_2^R(X, R^+) = 0$ . Then  $\operatorname{id}_R R/aR \leq 1$  by [5, Theorem 2.2.13]. So there is an exact sequence  $0 \to R/aR \to E \to C \to 0$  with E, Cinjective. For any ideal I of R,  $\operatorname{Tor}_2^R(R/I, C) = 0$  since  $cfd_R(R/I) \leq 1$ . Hence  $\operatorname{fd}_R C \leq 1$ . Then  $0 = \operatorname{Tor}_2^R(C, M) \to M^a \to \operatorname{Tor}_1^R(E, M)$  is exact. Since M is a Gorenstein flat module,  $\operatorname{Tor}_1^R(E, M) = 0$  by [3, Lemma 2.4]. Hence  $M^a = 0$ . Thus M is torsion-free.

Now, assume R is a Gorenstein Prüfer domain. Let M be a finitely generated torsion-free module. Then M can be imbedded into a finitely generated free module. Hence M is finitely presented copure projective by Theorem 2.5 and Theorem 2.4, as desired.

An *R*-module *M* is called FP-injective (or absolutely pure) [23] if  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{1}(N, M) = 0$  for all finitely presented *R*-module *N*. As in [26], Mao and Ding called an *R*-module *M* Gorenstein FP-injective in case there exists an exact sequence

$$\mathbf{E} = \dots \to E_1 \to E_0 \to E^0 \to E^1 \to \dots$$

of injective *R*-modules with  $M \cong \text{Im}(E_0 \to E^0)$  such that  $\text{Hom}_R(E, -)$  leaves the sequence exact whenever *E* is an FP-injective module. In [37], Gorenstein FP-injective modules are renamed as Ding injective modules.

**Theorem 2.8.** The following statements are equivalent for a ring R:

- (1) R is semihereditary.
- (2) R is Gorenstein semihereditary with w.gl.dim $(R) \leq 1$ .
- (3) R is Gorenstein semihereditary with w.gl.dim $(R) < \infty$ .
- (4) R is Gorenstein semihereditary, and every Gorenstein flat module is flat.
- (5) *R* is Gorenstein semihereditary, and every Gorenstein FP-injective module is FP-injective.
- (6) *R* is Gorenstein semihereditary, and every Gorenstein FP-injective module is injective.

**Proof.**  $(1) \Rightarrow (2) \Rightarrow (3)$  It is clear.

 $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$  We only need to prove that  $w.gl.\dim(R) \leq 1$ . Set  $k = w.gl.\dim(R)$ . If k > 1, then there exists an R-module M such that  $1 < k := \mathrm{fd}_R M < \infty$ . Without loss of generality we can assume k = 2. For any R-module N, there exists an exact sequence  $0 \to N \to E \to C \to 0$  with E injective. It yields the exactness of  $0 = \mathrm{Tor}_3^R(C, M) \to \mathrm{Tor}_2^R(N, M) \to \mathrm{Tor}_2^R(E, M)$ . By [24, Proposition 3.3],  $\mathrm{Tor}_2^R(E, M) = 0$  holds. Thus  $\mathrm{Tor}_2^R(N, M) = 0$  and  $\mathrm{fd}_R M \leq 1$ . This is a contradiction. Hence  $w.gl.\dim(R) \leq 1$ .

 $(2) \Rightarrow (4)$  By [4, Theorem 2.2].

 $(4) \Rightarrow (5)$  Let M be a Gorenstein FP-injective module. Then there exists an exact sequence  $\mathbf{E} = \cdots \to E_1 \to E_0 \to E^0 \to E^1 \to \cdots$  of injective R-modules with  $M \cong \operatorname{Im}(E_0 \to E^0)$ . Thus  $\mathbf{E}^+ = \cdots \to (E^1)^+ \to (E^0)^+ \to (E_0)^+ \to (E_1)^+ \to \cdots$  is an exact sequence such that  $M^+ \cong \operatorname{Im}((E^0)^+ \to (E_0)^+)$ . Let E be an injective R-module. By [24, Proposition 3.3], there exists an exact sequence  $0 \to F_1 \to F_0 \to E \to 0$ , where  $F_0, F_1$  are flat. So  $\mathbf{E}^+ \bigotimes_R F_i = \cdots \to (E^1)^+ \bigotimes_R F_i \to (E^0)^+ \bigotimes_R F_i \to (E_0)^+ \bigotimes_R F_i \to (E_1)^+ \bigotimes_R F_i \to \cdots$  are exact for i = 0, 1. So is  $\mathbf{E}^+ \bigotimes_R E = \cdots \to (E^1)^+ \bigotimes_R E \to (E^0)^+ \bigotimes_R E \to (E_0)^+ \bigotimes_R E \to (E_1)^+ \bigotimes_R E \to \cdots$  by [29, Theorem 6.3]. Notice that all  $(E^i)^+, (E_i)^+$  are flat, hence  $M^+$  is Gorenstein flat. By hypothesis,  $M^+$  is flat, and M is FP-injective.

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(5)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let A be a submodule of a flat R-module F. Then  $A = \lim_{K \to K} A_i$ where each  $A_i$  is finitely generated submodule of F. By hypothesis, each  $A_i$  is Gorenstein flat. Hence for each i, there exists an exact sequence of flat modules  $\mathbf{F_i} = \cdots \Rightarrow F_{i1} \Rightarrow F_{i0} \Rightarrow F^{i0} \Rightarrow F^{i1} \Rightarrow \cdots$  such that  $A_i \cong \operatorname{Im}(F_{i0} \Rightarrow F^{i0})$ . Then  $\mathbf{F_i^+} = \cdots \Rightarrow (F^{i1})^+ \Rightarrow (F^{i0})^+ \Rightarrow (F_{i0})^+ \Rightarrow (F_{i1})^+ \Rightarrow \cdots$  such that  $A_i^+ \cong$  $\operatorname{Im}((F^{i0})^+ \Rightarrow (F_{i0})^+)$ . Let N be an FP-injective R-module. Then there exists a pure exact sequence  $0 \Rightarrow N \Rightarrow E \Rightarrow E/N \Rightarrow 0$  such that  $0 \Rightarrow (E/N)^+ \Rightarrow E^+ \Rightarrow$  $N^+ \Rightarrow 0$  is split. Thus  $\operatorname{Ext}_R^1(A_i, N^+) \bigoplus \operatorname{Ext}_R^1(A_i, (E/N)^+) \cong \operatorname{Ext}_R^1(A_i, E^+) \cong$  $\operatorname{Tor}_1^R(E, A_i)^+ = 0$  since  $A_i$  is Gorenstein flat. So  $\operatorname{Tor}_1^R(N, A_i)^+ \cong \operatorname{Ext}_R^1(A_i, E^+) =$ 0. Then  $\mathbf{F_i} \bigotimes_R N = \cdots \Rightarrow F_{i1} \bigotimes_R N \Rightarrow F_{i0} \bigotimes_R N \Rightarrow F^{i0} \bigotimes_R N \Rightarrow F^{i1} \bigotimes_R N \Rightarrow$  $\cdots$  is exact. By the isomorphism  $(X \bigotimes_R N)^+ \cong \operatorname{Hom}_R(N, (X)^+)$ , we get that  $\cdots \Rightarrow \operatorname{Hom}_R(N, (F^{i0})^+) \Rightarrow \operatorname{Hom}_R(N, (F_{i0})^+) \Rightarrow \operatorname{Hom}_R(N, (F_{i1})^+) \Rightarrow \cdots$  is exact. That is  $A_i^+$  is Gorenstein FP-injective. By hypothesis,  $A_i^+$  is FP-injective. The fact that  $A_i$  is flat follows from the fact  $\operatorname{Tor}_1^R(X, A_i)^+ \cong \operatorname{Ext}_R^1(X, A_i^+) = 0$  for any finitely presented R-module X. By [7, Exercises 4, Page 43], A is flat.

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

 $(5) \Rightarrow (6)$  Let M be a Gorenstein FP-injective module. Then there exists an exact sequence  $0 \to M \to E^0 \to E^0/M \to 0$ , where  $E^0$  is an injective envelope of M, and E/M is FP-injective since it is Gorenstein FP-injective. Then  $\text{Ext}^1_R(E^0/M, M) = 0$  holds. Then the sequence  $0 \to M \to E^0 \to E^0/M \to 0$  is split and M is injective.  $\Box$ 

**Corollary 2.9.** Let R be a Gorenstein semihereditary ring. Then either R is semihereditary or w.gl.dim $(R) = \infty$ .

#### 3. Gorenstein Prüfer domains

Let R be a domain with quotient field K. Let F(R) denote the set of all nonzero fractional ideals of R and f(R) the subset of finitely generated members of F(R). For any  $0 \neq I \in F(R)$ , its inverse  $I^{-1}$  is defined as  $\{x \in K | xI \subseteq R\}$ . An ideal  $I \in f(R)$  is called a GV-ideal if  $I^{-1} = R$ . We write  $GV(R) = \{I \in f(R) | I \text{ is a GV-ideal of } R\}$ . In [27], a domain R is called a DW-domain if  $GV(R) = \{R\}$ .

**Proposition 3.1.** Let R be a Gorenstein Prüfer domain. Then R is a DW-domain.

**Proof.** Let  $J \neq 0$  be a finitely generated proper ideal of R. Pick  $0 \neq a \in J$ , set T = R/(a). Then I = J/(a) is a finitely generated proper ideal of T. So we can write  $I = (b_1, \dots, b_n)$ , where  $b_1, \dots, b_n \in T$ . If  $\operatorname{ann}(I) = 0$ , then the homomorphism  $f : T \to T^s$ ,  $f(r) = (b_1 r, \dots, b_n r)$ ,  $r \in T$  is monic. Then the

sequence  $0 \to T \xrightarrow{f} T^s \to \operatorname{cok}(f) \to 0$  is exact and  $\operatorname{cok}(f)$  is finitely presented. Notice that  $0 \to \operatorname{cok}(f)^+ \to (T^s)^+ \to T^+ \to 0$  is exact and  $(T^s)^+, T^+$  are injective T-modules. By [28, Theorem 4.2], T is an IF ring. Then  $(T^s)^+, T^+$  are flat. It yields that  $\operatorname{cok}(f)$  is projective and  $\operatorname{Tor}_1^T(T/I, \operatorname{cok}(f)) = 0$  holds. Then  $\overline{f}: T/I \to T^s/IT^s$  also is monic. By  $\operatorname{Im}(f) \subseteq IT^s$ , then  $\overline{f} = 0$  and I = T. This is a contradiction. Therefore,  $\operatorname{ann}(I) \neq 0$ . So there exists an element  $b \in R - (a)$  such that I(b+(a)) = 0, so  $Jb \subseteq (a)$ . Then  $\frac{b}{a} \notin R$  and  $J\frac{b}{a} \subseteq R$ . Therefore,  $\operatorname{GV}(R) = \{R\}$ . Hence R is a DW-domain.

An ideal  $I \in F(R)$  of R is called divisorial if  $I = I_v = (I^{-1})^{-1}$ . A domain R is said to be a PVMD [16] if the finite-type divisorial ideal of R form a group under v-multiplication, that is, if for any finitely generated ideal  $0 \neq I \in F(R)$  of R, there exists a finitely generated ideal  $J \in F(R)$  of R such that  $R = (IJ)_v$ .

Let A be an R-module. Set  $A^* = \text{Hom}_R(A, R)$ . An R-module M is said to be reflexive if  $M \cong M^{**}$ . Reflexive ideals over a domain are divisorial ideals.

For any *R*-module *M*, the rank of *M* is defined as  $\operatorname{rank}(M) = \dim_K(K \bigotimes M)$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** The following statements are equivalent for a domain R:

- (1) R is a Prüfer domain.
- (2) R is a Gorenstein Prüfer domain and an integrally closed domain.

**Proof.**  $(1) \Rightarrow (2)$  [16, Proposition 0.1] and Theorem 2.8.

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$  Let I be a finitely generated ideal of R. By Theorem 2.7, I is finitely presented copure projective. Then there exists an exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow P \rightarrow I \rightarrow 0$  where P is finitely generated projective. Then  $0 \rightarrow I^* \rightarrow P^* \rightarrow A^* \rightarrow 0$ is exact and  $P^*$  is finitely generated projective. Hence  $A^*$  is finitely generated torsion-free. Consider the exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow A^* \rightarrow F \rightarrow F/A^* \rightarrow 0$  with F being a finitely generated free R-module. Then we get  $\operatorname{Ext}^1_R(A^*, R)^+ \cong \operatorname{Ext}^2_R(F/A^*, R)^+ \cong$  $\operatorname{Tor}^R_2(F/A^*, R^+) = 0$ . Hence  $0 \rightarrow A^{**} \rightarrow P^{**} \rightarrow I^{**} \rightarrow 0$  is exact. Notice that P is a reflexive submodule of a finitely generated torsion-free R-module. Then we have the following commutative diagram with exact rows

$$\begin{array}{c|c} 0 \longrightarrow A \longrightarrow P \longrightarrow I \longrightarrow 0 \\ & \rho \\ & \mu \\ 0 \longrightarrow A^{**} \longrightarrow P \longrightarrow P/A^{**} \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

Then  $0 \to \ker f \cong \operatorname{cok} \rho \to I \xrightarrow{f} P/A^{**} \to 0$  is exact. Because  $\operatorname{rank}(A) = \operatorname{rank}(A^{**})$ , we have  $\operatorname{rank}(I) = \operatorname{rank}(P/A^{**})$ . By Theorem 2.7, I is finitely generated torsion-free. Hence  $\ker f = 0$  since  $\operatorname{rank}(\ker(f)) = 0$  and  $\ker(f)$  is torsion-free. That is  $A \cong A^{**}$ . We infer that I is reflexive by the following commutative diagram with exact rows



Hence I is a finitely generated divisorial ideal of R. Then  $I^{-1}, II^{-1}$  also are finitely generated divisorial ideals of R. For any  $x \in (II^{-1})^{-1}, xI^{-1}I \subset R$ . So,  $xI^{-1} \subset I^{-1}$ , that is, x is integral over R. Then  $x \in R$  since R is an integrally closed domain. Thus  $R = (II^{-1})_v = II^{-1}$ . Hence I is projective, as desired.

**Example 3.3.** A Gorenstein Prüfer domain is not necessarily a Prüfer domain. For example, set  $R = \mathbb{Q} + x^2 \mathbb{Q}[x]$ , where x is an indeterminate over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Then R is a Gorenstein Prüfer domain, but not a Prüfer domain by [28, Example 4.1]. Moreover, w.gl.dim $(R) = \infty$  by Theorem 2.8, and R is not an integrally closed domain by Theorem 3.2.

**Example 3.4.** A coherent domain is not necessarily a Gorenstein Prüfer domain. Let  $(R, \mathfrak{m})$  be a regular local ring of Krull dimension 2. Then R is a coherent domain, but not a Gorenstein Prüfer domain by Corollary 2.9.

In [2], Bass introduced the finitistic projective dimension of a ring R as

 $FPD(R) = \sup\{ pd_R M \mid M \text{ is any } R \text{-module with } pd_R M < \infty \}.$ 

Kaplansky proved that R is perfect if and only if every flat R-module is projective, see [2, Page 466]. It is well-known that a ring R is perfect if and only if FPD(R) = 0.

Recall that a ring R is called almost perfect if its proper epic images are perfect. An almost perfect domain is said simply an APD. For Noetherian domain R, it was shown [20, Theorem 90] that R is an APD if and only if its Krull dimension  $\dim(R) \leq 1$ .

It was shown [28, Corollary 4.3] that a Gorenstein Prüfer domain R is a Gorenstein Dedekind domain if and only if R is Noetherian. Now, for a Gorenstein Prüfer domain R, we study that when R is a Gorenstein Dedekind domain in terms of FPD(R).

In what follows, let us to denote the class of R-modules with projective dimension at most a fixed nonnegative integer n by  $\mathcal{P}_n$ . In [1, Lemma 2.3], it was shown that a domain R is an APD if and only if  $\mathcal{P}_1 = \mathcal{F}_1$ .

An *R*-module *D* is said to be divisible if  $\operatorname{Ext}^1_R(R/aR, D) = 0$  for all  $a \in R$ ; and an *R*-module *M* is called *h*-divisible if it is an epic image of an injective *R*-module. Note that injective modules and all *h*-divisible *R*-modules are divisible.

Recall that a domain R is called a Matlis domain [14] if the projective dimension of the field of quotients is at most one. It is shown [21] that a domain R is a Matlis domain if and only if every divisible module is h-divisible.

Recall from [22] that an *R*-module *W* is called weak-injective if  $\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{1}(M, W) = 0$  for all modules *M* with  $\operatorname{fd}_{R}M \leq 1$ . It is proved in [10, Corollary 6.4.8] that a domain *R* is an APD if and only if every divisible module is weak-injective; if and only if every *h*-divisible module is weak-injective.

**Lemma 3.5.** [1, Proposition 3.2] Let R be a domain. Then R is an APD if and only if  $FPD(R) \leq 1$ .

**Theorem 3.6.** The following statements are equivalent for a domain R:

- (1) R is a Gorenstein Dedekind domain.
- (2) R is a Gorenstein Prüfer domain such that every submodule of a Ding projective module is Ding projective.
- (3) R is a Gorenstein Prüfer domain such that every ideal of R is Ding projective.
- (4) R is a Gorenstein Prüfer domain and an APD.

**Proof.** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Let R be a Gorenstein Dedekind domain. Then R is a Gorenstein Prüfer domain. Now, let D be a Ding projective module and M a submodule of D. By the proof that (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) in Theorem 2.6, we obtain an exact sequence  $\mathbf{P} = \cdots \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow P_0 \rightarrow P^0 \rightarrow P^1 \rightarrow \cdots$  of projective with  $M \cong \operatorname{Im}(P_0 \rightarrow P^0)$ . Let F be a flat R-module and  $I \neq 0$  an ideal of R. Pick  $0 \neq u \in I$  and note  $\overline{R} = R/uR$ . Then  $u\frac{R}{I} = 0$  and R/I is  $\overline{R}$ -module. By [17, Corollary 2.7],  $\overline{R}$  is a QF ring. Then R/I is a strongly copure projective  $\overline{R}$ -module by [9, Remark 4.2]. Certainly, u is a non-zero-divisor of F. By Rees Theorem  $\operatorname{Ext}^2_R(R/I, F) \cong \operatorname{Ext}^1_{\overline{R}}(R/I, F/uF) = 0$ . Thus  $\operatorname{id}_R F \leq 1$  and  $\operatorname{Ext}^i_R(M, F) = 0$  for  $i \geq 2$ . Consider the exact sequence  $\operatorname{Ext}^1_R(D, F) \rightarrow \operatorname{Ext}^1_R(M, F) \rightarrow \operatorname{Ext}^2_R(D/M, F) = 0$ . By hypothesis, D is a Ding projective module,  $\operatorname{Ext}^1_R(D, F) = 0$  holds. So  $\operatorname{Ext}^1_R(M, F) = 0$  and  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(-, F)$  leaves the sequence  $\mathbf{P}$  exact. Hence M is Ding projective.

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

 $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$  Let R be a Gorenstein Prüfer domain such that every ideal of R is Ding projective. To prove that R is a Gorenstein Dedekind domain, we only have to prove that R is a Noetherian domain by [28, Corollary 4.3].

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Let P be a nonzero prime ideal of R and let F be any flat R-module. Pick  $0 \neq a \in P$ . For any ideal J of R, by hypothesis, J is Ding projective. Then  $\mathrm{id}_R F \leq 1$  follows from  $\mathrm{Ext}_R^2(R/J,F) \cong \mathrm{Ext}_R^1(J,F) = 0$ . By [9, Theorem 4.11],  $cpD(R) \leq 1$ . Set T = R/aR and let M be a T-module. Let P = F/aF be a flat T-module, where F is a flat R-module. Then by Rees Theorem,  $\mathrm{Ext}_T^1(M,P) \cong \mathrm{Ext}_R^2(M,F) = 0$ . Therefore,  $cpd_T(M) = 0$ , whence cpD(T) = 0. By [9, Remark 4.2], T is a QF ring. Since a QF ring is Artinian, P/(a) is finitely generated. Consequently, P is finitely generated, and hence R is Noetherian.

 $(1) \Rightarrow (4)$  Let R be a Gorenstein Dedekind domain. Then R is a Gorenstein Prüfer domain. Let  $I \neq 0$  be an ideal of R. Set M = R/I. Pick  $0 \neq u \in I$ and note  $\overline{R} = R/uR$ . Then uM = 0 and M is  $\overline{R}$ -module. By [17, Corollary 2.7],  $\overline{R}$  is a QF ring. Then M is a copure projective  $\overline{R}$ -module. Let N be a flat Rmodule. Certainly, u is a non-zero-divisor of N. By Rees Theorem  $\operatorname{Ext}^2_R(M,N) \cong$  $\operatorname{Ext}^1_{\overline{R}}(M, N/uN) = 0$ . Thus  $cpd_R(M) \leq 1$ . By [9, Proposition 4.3 & Corollary 4.12], FPD(R)  $\leq cpD(R) \leq 1$ . Hence R is an APD by Lemma 3.5.

 $(4) \Rightarrow (1)$  Let P be a nonzero prime ideal of R. Pick  $0 \neq a \in P$  and set T = R/aR. Let  $A \neq 0$  be any T-module with  $pd_T(A) < \infty$ . Then by Rees Theorem,  $pd_R(A) = pd_T(A) + 1 < \infty$ .  $pd_T(A) = 0$  by Lemma 3.5. That is, FPD(T) = 0 and T is perfect. Notice that T is coherent, by [29, Theorem B & Theorem C, Page 114], T is Artinian. P/(a) is finitely generated. Consequently, P is finitely generated, and hence R is Noetherian. By [28, Corollary 4.3], R is a Gorenstein Dedekind domain.

**Corollary 3.7.** Let R be a Gorenstein Dedekind domain. Then  $\dim(R) \leq 1$ .

**Proof.** By the proof of  $(4) \Rightarrow (1)$  in Theorem 3.6, R is Noetherian. By [20, Theorem 90], dim $(R) \leq 1$  holds.

**Example 3.8.** Now we give an example of a domain R with  $FPD(R) \leq 1$  which is not a Gorenstein Prüfer domain. Let L be a field and F an extension field of Lwith  $[F : L] = \infty$ . Construct R = L + xF[x]. Then R is an APD by [31]. Hence FPD(R) = 1 by Lemma 3.5. Because R is not Noetherian, R is not a Gorenstein Dedekind domain. Hence R is not a Gorenstein Prüfer domain by Theorem 3.6.

**Example 3.9.** A Gorenstein Prüfer domain is not necessarily a Gorenstein Dedekind domain. For example, let  $\mathbb{Z}$  be the set of integers and let  $\mathbb{Q}$  be the field of rational numbers, and let X be an indeterminate over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Construct a ring  $R = \mathbb{Z} + X\mathbb{Q}[X]_{(X)}$ . Then R is a Gorenstein Prüfer domain. By [19, Example 2.11] and [22, Lemma 3.6] and Lemma 3.5, FPD(R) > 1 holds. Hence R is not a Gorenstein Dedekind domain by Theorem 3.6.

**Example 3.10.** Gorenstein Dedekind domains are not necessarily integrally closed. In fact, construct  $R = \mathbb{Q}[x, y]/(x^2 + 2y^2)$ . Since  $x^2 + 2y^2$  is an irreducible polynomial, we have that R is a Gorenstein Dedekind domain. By Theorem 3.6, R is a Gorenstein Prüfer domain. Noting that w.gl.dim $(R) = \infty$ , by Theorem 3.2, R is not integrally closed.

We conclude this article with the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.11.** The following statements are equivalent for a domain R:

- (1) R is a Dedekind domain.
- (2) R is a Gorenstein Dedekind domain with w.gl.dim $(R) \leq 1$ .
- (3) R is a Gorenstein Dedekind domain with w.gl.dim $(R) < \infty$ .
- (4) *R* is a Gorenstein Dedekind domain and every Gorenstein projective module is projective.
- (5) R is a Gorenstein Dedekind domain and an integrally closed domain.

**Proof.**  $(1) \Rightarrow (2) \Rightarrow (3)$  and  $(2) \Rightarrow (5)$  Trivial.

 $(5) \Rightarrow (2)$  By Theorem 3.6 and Theorem 3.2.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) Let M be a Gorenstein projective module and let F be any flat R-module. By Theorem 3.6, FPD $(R) \leq 1$  holds. By [18, Proposition 6],  $\mathrm{pd}_R F < \infty$ . Then for all  $k \geq 1$ ,  $\mathrm{Ext}_R^k(M, F) = 0$  by [15, Proposition 2.3], that is, M is strongly copure projective. Now, let X be any R-module. Set  $n = \mathrm{fd}_R X < \infty$ , there is an exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow F_n \rightarrow F_{n-1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow F_1 \rightarrow F_0 \rightarrow X \rightarrow 0$  with each  $F_i$  flat. Write  $K_s = \ker(F_s \rightarrow F_{s-1})$ . The sequence  $0 \rightarrow F_n \rightarrow F_{n-1} \rightarrow K_{n-2} \rightarrow 0$  is exact. For any i > 1, we can infer that  $\mathrm{Ext}_R^i(M, K_{n-2}) = 0$  by the exact sequence  $0 = \mathrm{Ext}_R^i(M, F_{n-1}) \rightarrow \mathrm{Ext}_R^i(M, K_{n-2}) \rightarrow \mathrm{Ext}_R^{i+1}(M, F_n) = 0$ . We obtain the exact sequence  $0 = \mathrm{Ext}_R^i(M, F_{n-2}) \rightarrow \mathrm{Ext}_R^i(M, K_{n-3}) \rightarrow \mathrm{Ext}_R^{i+1}(M, K_{n-2}) = 0$  by the exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow K_{n-2} \rightarrow F_{n-2} \rightarrow K_{n-3} \rightarrow 0$ . Then  $\mathrm{Ext}_R^i(M, K_{n-3}) = 0$ . Continuing this process, we can get  $\mathrm{Ext}_R^i(M, X) = 0$ . Hence M is projective.

 $(4) \Rightarrow (1)$  Let A be a submodule of a projective R-module P. Since R is a Gorenstein Dedekind domain, A is Gorenstein projective. By hypothesis, A is projective. Hence R is a Dedekind domain.

**Corollary 3.12.** The following statements are equivalent for a domain R:

- (1) R is a Dedekind domain.
- (2) R is a Noetherian Prüfer domain.
- (3) R is a Prüfer domain with  $FPD(R) \leq 1$ .

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