

## ADEQUATE PROPERTIES OF THE ELEMENTS WITH ALMOST STABLE RANGE 1 OF A COMMUTATIVE ELEMENTARY DIVISOR DOMAIN

(In boring memory of V. I. Andriychuk on the 70 th anniversary of his birth)

*It is shown that in a commutative elementary divisor domain which is not a ring of stable range 1 exist nonzero and nonunit elements with almost stable range 1.*

The problem of diagonalization of matrices is a classic one. Specific role in modern research on elementary divisor rings is played by a  $K$  – theoretical invariant as the stable range [4]. Important role in studying of the elementary divisor rings played a Hermite rings, i.e. ring in which  $1 \times 2$  and  $2 \times 1$  matrices over this ring have diagonal reduction. Note that any Hermite ring is a Bezout ring i.e. a ring in which any finitely generated ideal is principal. We have the following result.

Theorem 1[4]. A commutative Bezout ring is Hermite ring if and only if it is a ring of stable range 2.

Recall, that a ring  $R$  is a ring of stable range 2 if for any elements  $a, b, c \in R$  the equality  $aR + bR + cR = R$  implies that there are some elements  $\lambda, \mu$  such that

$$(a + c\lambda)R + (b + a\mu)R = R.$$

Recall, that a ring  $R$  is a ring of stable range 1 if for any elements  $a, b \in R$  the equality  $aR + bR = R$  implies that there are some element  $t$  such that  $(at + b)R = R$ .

Let  $R$  – commutative elementary divisor domain which is not a ring of stable range 1.

By [2] there exists nonzero and nonunit element  $a \in R$  with almost stable range 1 (i.e. for any elements  $b, c \in R$  such that  $aR + bR + cR = R$  exists element  $t$  that  $aR + (bt + c)R = R$ ). In this paper we describe algebraic properties these element  $t \in R$ .

By [2] we have that the problem “is every commutative Bezout domain an elementary divisor ring” is equivalent to the problem does every commutative Bezout domain contain a nonunit element with almost stable range 1. In this article gives a more precise description of this elements.

All rings considered will be commutative and have identity. Element  $a \in R$  of a commutative ring is called a neat element if for any elements  $b, c \in R$  such that  $bR + cR + aR = R$  we have  $a = rs$  where  $rR + bR = R$ ,  $sR + cR = R$ ,  $rR + sR = R$ .

Theorem 2[3]. Let  $R$  be a commutative Bezout domain. An element  $a$  is a neat element if the factor-ring  $R/aR$  is a clean ring.

Recall that a ring is called clean if each element is the sum of the unit and an idempotent.

A commutative ring  $R$  is said to be a ring of neat range 1 if for any  $a, b \in R$  such that  $aR + bR = R$  there exists  $t \in R$  such that  $a + bt \in R$  is a neat element. We have a next result.

Theorem 3[3]. A commutative Bezout domain is an elementary divisor ring if it is a ring of neat range 1.

Recall that a commutative ring  $R$  is called an elementary divisor ring if every matrix  $A$  over  $R$  admits diagonal reduction, that is there exist

invertible matrices  $P$  and  $Q$  such that  $PAQ$  is a diagonal matrix,  $(d_i)$  for which  $d_i$  is a divisor of  $d_{i+1}$ .

Recall that a ring  $R$  is an exchange ring if for any element  $a \in R$  there exists an idempotent  $e$  such that  $e \in aR$  and  $1 - e \in (1 - a)R$  [13].

A ring  $R$  is a ring of idempotent stable range 1 if the condition  $aR + bR = R$  for all elements  $a, b \in R$  implies that there exists an idempotent  $e \in R$  such that  $a + be$  is an invertible element of the ring  $R$ .

We have the following result.

Theorem 4[1]. Let  $R$  be a commutative ring. The following properties are equivalent:

- 1)  $R$  is an exchange ring,
- 2)  $R$  is a clean ring,
- 3)  $R$  is a ring of idempotent stable range 1.

Proposition. Let  $R$  be a commutative ring. Nonzero element  $a \in R$  is element with almost stable range 1 if and only if a factor-ring  $R/aR$  is a ring of stable range 1.

*P r o o f.* Denote  $\bar{R} = R/aR$  and  $\bar{b} = b + aR$ ,  $\bar{c} = c + aR$ . If  $\bar{R}$  is a ring of stable range 1 and  $\bar{b}\bar{R} + \bar{c}\bar{R} = \bar{R}$ , then exists element  $\bar{t} \in \bar{R}$  such that  $(\bar{b}\bar{t} + \bar{c})\bar{R} = \bar{R}$ . Since  $\bar{R} = R/aR$  and by [1] we have  $aR + (bt + c)R = R$ , where  $\bar{t} = t + aR$ , i.e.  $a$  is element with almost stable range 1. We notice, that condition  $aR + (bt + c)R = R$  implies  $\bar{b}\bar{R} + \bar{c}\bar{R} = \bar{R}$ . Proposition is proved.

Nonzero element  $a$  of a commutative ring  $R$  is said to be adequate to the element  $b \in R$  ( $aAb$  denote this fact) if we can find such elements  $r, s \in R$  that the decomposition  $a = rs$  satisfying the following properties:

- 1)  $rR + bR = R$ ,
- 2)  $s'R + bR \neq R$  for any noninvertible divisor  $s'$  of element  $s$ .

If for any element  $b \in R$  we have  $aAb$  then we say that element  $a$  is adequate. If any nonzero element of a ring  $R$  is an adequate element then  $R$  is called an adequate ring. An addition we notice simple fact: for any nonzero element  $a$  of  $R$  we have  $aAa$ . The most obvious examples of adequate elements are units, square free elements and factorial elements [4]. By [2] we have that an adequate element is a neat element.

The main result of this paper is a next Theorem.

Theorem 5. Let  $R$  be a commutative elementary divisor domain, which is not a ring of stable range 1. Then there exists nonunit and nonzero element  $a \in R$  and for any  $b, c \in R$  such that  $aR + bR + cR = R$  there exists element  $t \in R$  such that  $aR + (bt + c)R = R$  and  $aAt$ .

*P r o o f.* Let  $R$  be a commutative elementary divisor domain. By [4]  $R$  is a Bezout domain. By Theorem 3  $R$  is a ring of a neat range 1. Since  $R$  is not a ring of stable range 1, then in  $R$  exists nonzero and nonunit neat element  $a$ . By Theorem 2 we have that  $\bar{R} = R/aR$  is a clean ring. By Theorem 3, we have that  $\bar{R} = R/aR$  is a ring idempotent stable range 1. Let  $\bar{b} = b + aR$ ,  $\bar{c} = c + aR$ . Then we have if  $\bar{b}\bar{R} + \bar{c}\bar{R} = \bar{R}$  there exists idempotent  $\bar{e} = e + aR$  such that  $\bar{b}\bar{e} + \bar{c}$  is an invertible element of  $\bar{R}$ . By Proposition we have that  $aR + (be + c)R = R$ .

Let  $aR \neq eR = dR$ , then  $a = da_0$ ,  $e = de_0$  and  $a_0R + e_0R = R$  i.e.  $a_0u + e_0v = 1$  for some elements  $d, a_0, e_0, u, v \in R$ . Since  $\bar{e}^{-2} = \bar{e}$  we have  $e - e^2 = at$  for some element  $t \in R$ . Then  $e(1 - e) = de_0(1 - e) = da_0t$  and since

$d \neq 0$  we have  $e_0(1-e) = a_0t$ . Since  $a_0u + e_0v = 1$  we have

$$1-e = e_0(1-e)u + a_0(1-e)v = a_0tu + a_0(1-e)v = a_0(tu + (1-e)v),$$

i.e. we have  $1-e = a_0k$ , where  $k = tu + (1-e)v$ . So we proved that  $a = a_0d$  where  $a_0R + eR = R$  and  $eR \subset dR$  i.e. we have  $aAe$  where  $r = a_0$ ,  $s = d$  according to the definition of the condition of the adequate of element  $a$  to the element  $e$ . Theorem is proved.

Corollary. Commutative elementary divisor domain  $R$  which is not a ring of stable range 1 exist nonzero and nonunit elements with almost stable range 1.

*P r o o f.* By Theorem 5 there exists nonunit and nonzero element  $a \in R$  and for any  $b, c \in R$  such that  $aR + bR + cR = R$  there exists element  $t \in R$  such that  $aR + (bt + c)R = R$ . By Proposition  $a$  is element with almost stable range 1.

We will notice in the ring of stable range 1 any nonzero and nonunit element is an element with almost stable range 1[2]. $\diamond$

Recall, that a commutative Bezout rings stable range 1 is an elementary divisor rings [3]. Note, that a commutative  $J$ -Noetherian Bezout domain which is not a ring of stable range 1 always contain nonzero and nonunit element with almost stable range 1 which is adequate element of this ring.

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#### **АДЕКВАТНЫЕ СВОЙСТВА ЭЛЕМЕНТОВ ПОЧТИ СТАБИЛЬНОГО РАНГА 1 КОММУТАТИВНОЙ ОБЛАСТИ ЭЛЕМЕНТАРНЫХ ДЕЛИТЕЛЕЙ**

*Показано, что в коммутативной области элементарных делителей, которая не является кольцом стабильного ранга 1, существуют ненулевые и необратимые элементы почти стабильного ранга 1.*

#### **АДЕКВАТНІ ВЛАСТИВОСТІ ЕЛЕМЕНТІВ МАЙЖЕ СТАБІЛЬНОГО РАНГУ 1 КОМУТАТИВНОЇ ОБЛАСТІ ЕЛЕМЕНТАРНИХ ДІЛЬНИКІВ.**

*Показано, що в комутативній області елементарних дільників, яка не є кільцем стабильного рангу 1, існують ненульові та необоротні елементи майже стабильного рангу 1.*

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