## ON THE TYPE SEQUENCES OF SOME ONE DIMENSIONAL RINGS

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**Abstract.** In this article in Section 2 we describe the holes and their positions of a numerical semigroup and use this description to compute the type sequence of the semigroup generated by an arithmetic sequence  $m_0, m_1, \ldots, m_{p+1}$  explicitly (see 3.8 and 3.9).

**Introduction.** Let  $(R, \mathfrak{m}_R)$  be a noetherian local one dimensional analytically irreducible domain, i.e., the  $\mathfrak{m}$ -adic completion  $\hat{R}$  of R is a domain or, equivalently, the integral closure  $\overline{R}$  of R in its quotient field Q(R) is a discrete valuation ring and a finite R-module. We further assume that R is residually rational, i.e., R and  $\overline{R}$  have the same residue field. A particular important class of rings which satisfy these assumptions are semigroup rings which are coordinate rings of algebroid monomial curves.

Let  $v : Q(R) \to \mathbb{Z} \cup \{\infty\}$  be the discrete valuation of  $\overline{R}$  and let  $\mathfrak{C} := \operatorname{ann}_R(\overline{R}/R) = \{x \in R \mid x\overline{R} \subseteq R\}$  be the conductor ideal of R in  $\overline{R}$ . Then the value semigroup  $v(R) = \{v(x) \mid x \in R, x \neq 0\}$  is a numerical semigroup, that is,  $\mathbb{N} \setminus v(R)$  is finite and therefore  $v(R) = \{0 = v_0, v_1, \ldots, v_{n-1}\} \cup \{z \in \mathbb{N} \mid z \geq c\}$ , where  $0 = v_0 < v_1 < \cdots < v_{n-1} < v_n := c$  are elements of v(R),  $n := n(R) = \ell(R/\mathfrak{C})$  and the integer  $c = c(R) := \ell_{\overline{R}}(\overline{R}/\mathfrak{C})$  is also determined by  $\mathfrak{C} = \{x \in Q(R) \mid v(x) \geq c\}$  or, equivalently  $\mathfrak{C} = (\mathfrak{m}_{\overline{R}})^c$ .

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In [5] Matsuoka have studied the degree of singularity  $\delta = \delta(R) := \ell(\overline{R}/R) =$ card $(\mathbb{N} \setminus v(R))$  of R by introducing the saturated chain of fractionary ideals

$$\mathfrak{C} = \mathfrak{A}_n \subsetneq \cdots \subsetneq \mathfrak{A}_1 = \mathfrak{m} \subsetneq \mathfrak{A}_0 = R \subsetneq \mathfrak{A}_1^{-1} \subsetneq \cdots \subsetneq \mathfrak{A}_n^{-1} = \overline{R},$$

where  $\mathfrak{A}_i := \{x \in R \mid v(x) \geq v_i\}$  and  $\mathfrak{A}_i^{-1} = (R : \mathfrak{A}_i), i = 0, 1, \ldots, n$ . Moreover, each  $\mathfrak{A}_i^{-1}, i = 0, \ldots, n$  is a overring of R which satisfies the assumptions that we assume for R. The sequence  $t_i = t_i(R) := \ell(\mathfrak{A}_i^{-1}/\mathfrak{A}_{i-1}^{-1}), i = 1, \ldots, n$ , is called the type sequence of R.

The above numerical invariants of R carry information of the ring and hence to study various algebraic and geometric properties of the ring R; several authors (see e.g. [1, 2, 3]) have been studied the above numerical invariants. For example the first term  $t_1$  is the Cohen–Macaulay type of R and the sum  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} t_i$  is the degree of singularity of R.

In Section 3 we give an algorithmic method (see 3.7) to compute the type sequence of the coordinate ring of an algebroid monomial curve defined by an arithmetic sequence  $m_0, m_1, \ldots, m_{p+1}$ . For this we make use of the explicit description of the standard basis of the numerical semigroup generated by arithmetic sequence which was done in [7]. We also give some illustrative examples.

1. Preliminaries – assumptions and notation. Throughout this article we make the following assumptions and notation.

NOTATION 1.1. Let  $\mathbb{N}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}$  denote the set of all natural numbers and all integers, respectively. Note that we assume  $0 \in \mathbb{N}$ . Further, for  $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$ , we denote  $[a, b] := \{r \in \mathbb{N} \mid a \leq r \leq b\}$  and  $\mathbb{N}_a := \{n \in \mathbb{N} \mid n \geq a\}$ .

Let  $(R, \mathfrak{m}_R)$  be a noetherian local one dimensional analytically irreducible domain, i.e., the integral closure  $\overline{R}$  of R in its quotient field Q(R) is a discrete valuation ring and is a finite R-module. We further assume that R is residually rational, i.e., the residue field  $k_{\overline{R}}$  of  $\overline{R}$  is equal to the residue field  $k_R$  of R. A particular important class of rings which satisfy these assumptions are semi-group rings which are coordinate rings of algebroid monomial curves.

We shall now recall the notions of type sequences and almost Gorenstein rings.

1.2. (Type sequences — almost Gorenstein rings) Let R be as in 1.1 and let v(R) be its numerical semigroup, c = c(v(R)) be the conductor of v(R),  $n=n(R)=\ell(R/\mathfrak{C})=\operatorname{card}(v(R)\backslash\mathbb{N}_c)$  and  $\delta = \delta(R) = \ell(\overline{R}/R) = \operatorname{card}(\mathbb{N}\setminus v(R))$ be the degree of singularity of R (see [5]). Let  $0 = v_0 < v_1 < \cdots < v_{n-1} < v_n := c$ be elements of v(R) such that  $v(R) \setminus \mathbb{N}_c = \{0 = v_0, v_1, \ldots, v_{n-1}\}$ . Further as noted in [5], the degree of singularity  $\delta(R)$  can be seen as the sum of npositive integers  $t_i(R) := \ell(\mathfrak{A}_i^{-1}/\mathfrak{A}_{i-1}^{-1}), i = 1, \ldots, n$ , where  $\mathfrak{A}_i := \{x \in R \mid v(x) \ge v_i\}$  and  $\mathfrak{A}_i^{-1} := (R : \mathfrak{A}_i) := \{x \in Q(R) \mid x\mathfrak{A}_i \subseteq R\}$ . The first positive

integer  $t_1(R) = \ell(\mathfrak{m}^{-1}/R)$  is the Cohen–Macaulay type  $\tau_R$  of R. The sequence  $t_1(R), t_2(R), \ldots, t_n(R)$  is called the type sequence of R. Several authors have studied the properties of type sequences (see e.g. [1, 4]). The term "type sequence" is chosen since (as noted above) the first term  $t_1(R) = \ell(\mathfrak{m}^{-1}/R)$ is the Cohen–Macaulay type of R. Further, we have  $1 \le t_i(R) \le \tau_R$  for every i = 1, ..., n (see [5, §3, Proposition 2 and Proposition 3]) and hence (see also [4, Proposition 2.1])  $\ell^*(R) \leq (\tau_R - 1) (\ell(R/\mathfrak{C}) - 1)$ , where  $\ell^*(R) := \tau_R \cdot \ell(R/\mathfrak{C}) - 1$  $\ell(R/R)$ . Moreover, the equality holds if and only if  $\ell(R/R) = \tau_R + \ell(R/\mathfrak{C}) - 1$ , or, equivalently,  $t_i(R) = 1$  for i = 2, ..., n. Type sequence of a numerical semigroup can also be defined analogously: Let  $\Gamma$  be a numerical semigroup,  $c \in \mathbb{N}$ be its conductor and let  $\Gamma \setminus \mathbb{N}_c = \{0 = v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{n-1}\}$ , where  $0 = v_0 < v_1 < v_1 < v_1 < v_2 < v_1 < v_2 < v_1 < v_2 < v_2 < v_1 < v_2 < v_2$  $\cdots < v_{n-1} < v_n := c$  are elements of  $\Gamma$ . Further, for  $i = 0, \ldots, n$ , let  $\Gamma_i := \{h \in I\}$  $\Gamma \mid h \geq v_i$ ,  $\Gamma(i) := \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x + \Gamma_i \subseteq \Gamma\}$  and let  $t_i = \operatorname{card} (\Gamma(i) \setminus \Gamma(i-1))$ . Then  $\Gamma = \Gamma(0) \subseteq \Gamma(1) \subseteq \cdots \subseteq \Gamma(n-1) \subseteq \Gamma(n) = \mathbb{N}$  and the sequence  $t_i$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, n$  is called the type sequence of  $\Gamma$ . In particular, the cardinality  $t_1$  of the set  $T(\Gamma) := \Gamma(1) \setminus \Gamma$  is called the Cohen-Macaulay type of the semigroup  $\Gamma$ .

The type sequence of a ring R need not be same as the type sequence of the numerical semi-group v(R) of R (see e.g. [4]).

A ring R in (1.1) is called almost Gorenstein if the type sequence of R is  $\{\tau_R, 1, 1, \ldots, 1\}$ , or, equivalently,  $\ell^*(R)$  attains its upper bound, i.e.,  $\ell(\overline{R}/R) = \tau_R - 1 + \ell(R/\mathfrak{C})$ . It is clear that Gorenstein rings are almost Gorenstein but not conversely (see [8], (1.2)–(1)).

EXAMPLES 1.3. Using the above definitions we shall compute the type sequences of the semigroups of the examples ([8], (1.2)).

(1) Let  $e \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $a \in [0, e-1]$  with  $e \ge 3$ ,  $b := \begin{cases} \ge 1, & \text{if } a = 0, \\ \ge 2, & \text{if } a \ge 1, \end{cases}$  and put c := be - a. Let  $\Gamma$  be the semi-group generated by the almost arithmetic sequence  $e, c, c+1, \ldots, c+e-1$ . Then: (i)  $e(\Gamma) = e(P) = \int c, & \text{if } a \in [0, e-2], \end{cases}$  and

(1) 
$$c(\Gamma) = c(R) = \begin{cases} (b-1)e, & \text{if } a = e-1 \\ (b-1)e, & \text{if } a = e-1 \end{cases}$$
 and  
 $\Gamma \setminus \mathbb{N}_c = \begin{cases} \{0, e, 2e, \dots, (b-1)e\}, & \text{if } a \in [0, e-2], \\ \{0, e, 2e, \dots, (b-2)e\}, & \text{if } a = e-1. \end{cases}$  Therefore,  $n = a$   
 $n(R) = \begin{cases} b, & \text{if } a \in [0, e-2], \\ b-1, & \text{if } a = e-1 \end{cases}$  and  $\mathbf{v}_i = ie$  for  $i = 0, \dots, n-1.$ 

(ii) For each 
$$i = 1, ..., n$$
, we have  $\Gamma(i) \setminus \Gamma(i-1) = \begin{cases} [(b-i)e+1, (b-i+1)e-1], & \text{if } a = 0, \\ [(b-i)e-a, (b-i+1)e-a-1] \setminus \{(b-i)e\}, & \text{if } a \ge 1 \text{ and} \\ i \in [1, n-1], & \text{if } a \in [1, e-2] \text{ and} \\ i = n, \\ [1, e-1], & \text{if } a = e-1 \text{ and} \\ i = n. \end{cases}$   
In particular,  $t_i = t_i(\Gamma) = \begin{cases} e-1, & \text{if } a \in \{0, e-1\} \text{ and } i \in [1, n-1], \\ e-1, & \text{if } a \in [1, e-2] \text{ and } i \in [1, n-1], \\ e-a-1, & \text{if } a \in [1, e-2] \text{ and } i \in [1, n-1], \\ e-a-1, & \text{if } a \in [1, e-2] \text{ and } i \in [1, n-1], \end{cases}$   
The type sequence of  $\Gamma$  is  $\begin{cases} \underbrace{e-1, \ldots, e-1}_{n-\text{times}}, e-a-1, & \text{if } a \in \{0, e-1\}, \\ \underbrace{e-1, \ldots, e-1}_{(n-1)-\text{times}}, e-a-1, & \text{if } a \in [1, e-2]. \end{cases}$ 

In particular, R is almost Gorenstein if and only if (a, b) is one of the following three pairs (0, 1), (e - 2, 2), (e - 1, 2). Therefore, the semi-group ring  $K[X^3, X^5, X^7]$  (take e = 3, a = 1 and b = 2) is almost Gorenstein of type 2 and hence not Gorenstein.

- (2) Let  $e \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $e \ge 4$  and m := 3e + 1. Let  $\Gamma$  be the semi-group generated by the sequence  $e, 2e 1, m, m + 1, \dots, m + e 4$ . Then:
  - (i)  $c = c(\Gamma) = c(R) = 3e 1$  and  $\Gamma \setminus \mathbb{N}_c = \{0, e, 2e 1, 2e\}$ . Therefore, n = n(R) = 4 and  $v_1 = e, v_2 = 2e - 1, v_3 = 2e, v_4 = c$ .
  - (ii)  $\Gamma(1) \setminus \Gamma(0) = T(\Gamma) = [2e+1, 3e-2], \ \Gamma(2) \setminus \Gamma(1) = [e+1, 2e-2], \ \Gamma(3) \setminus \Gamma(2) = \{e-1\} \text{ and } \Gamma(4) \setminus \Gamma(3) = [1, e-2].$  Therefore,  $t_1 = \tau_R = e-2, t_2 = e-2, t_3 = 1, t_4 = e-2$  and the type sequence of  $\Gamma$  is e-2, e-2, 1, e-2. Therefore, R is not almost Gorenstein, since  $e \ge 4$ .
- (3) Let  $e, r' \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $e \geq 3, 1 \leq r', 2r' \leq e-1$  and c := 2e. Let  $\Gamma$  be the semi-group generated by the sequence  $e, e+r', c+1, c+2, \ldots, c+e-1$ . Then:
  - (i)  $c = c(\Gamma) = c(R) = 2e$  and  $\Gamma \setminus \mathbb{N}_c = \{0, e, e + r'\}$ . Therefore,  $n = n(\Gamma) = n(R) = 3$  and  $v_1 = e, v_2 = e + r', v_3 = c$ .
  - (ii)  $\Gamma(1) \setminus \Gamma(0) = T(\Gamma) = [e+1, e+r'-1] \cup [e+r'+1, 2e-1], \Gamma(2) \setminus \Gamma(1) = [e-r', e-1]$  and  $\Gamma(3) \setminus \Gamma(2) = [1, e-r'-1]$ . Therefore,  $t_1 = \tau_R = e-2, t_2 = r', t_3 = e-r'-1$  and the type sequence of  $\Gamma$  is e-2, r', e-r'-1. Therefore, R is almost Gorenstein if and only if r' = 1 and  $e = 3 \iff R$  is Gorenstein. Hence, if  $e \ge 4$  then R is not almost Gorenstein.

(4) Let  $e, r, r' \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $e \geq 3, 1 \leq r, 1 \leq r', r+r' \leq e-1$  and let  $\Gamma$  be the semi-group generated by the sequence  $e, e+r, e+r+r', e+r+r'+1, \ldots, 2e+r+r'-1$ . We consider the four cases (i) r' = r = 1; (ii)  $r' = 1, r \geq 2$ ; (iii)  $1 < r' \leq r$ ; (iv) r < r' separately. CASE (I): (r', r) = (1, 1): This case is included in example (1) (a=0 and b=1). CASE (II): r'=1 and  $r \geq 2$ : In this case c=e+r and  $\Gamma \setminus \mathbb{N}_c = \{0, e\}$ . Therefore, n=2 and  $v_1=e$ . Further,  $\Gamma(1) \setminus \Gamma(0) = T(\Gamma) = [r, e-1] \cup [e+1, e+r-1]$ and  $\Gamma(2) \setminus \Gamma(1) = [1, r-1]$ . Therefore,  $t_1 = \tau_R = e-1, t_2 = r-1$  and the type sequence of  $\Gamma$  is e-1, r-1. Therefore, R is almost Gorenstein if and only if r=2.

CASE (III):  $1 < r' \leq r$ : In this case c = e + r + r' and  $\Gamma \setminus \mathbb{N}_c = \{0, e, e + r\}$ . Therefore, n = 3 and  $v_1 = e$ ,  $v_2 = e + r$ . Further, we have  $\Gamma(1) \setminus \Gamma(0) = T(\Gamma) = \{r\} \cup [r+r', e+r+r'-1] \setminus \{e, e+r\}, \Gamma(2) \setminus \Gamma(1) = \{r+1, r+r'-1\}, \text{ if } r=r', \text{ and } \Gamma(3) \setminus \Gamma(2) = \{[1, r-1], \text{ if } r'=r, [1, r'-1], \text{ if } r'<r.$ Therefore,  $t_1 = \tau_R = e-1, t_2 = \{r'-1, \text{ if } r'=r, t_3 = \{r-1, \text{ if } r'=r, r-1, \text{ if } r'<r, r, r-1, \text{ if } r'<r, r, r-1, r'-1, r'-1, r'-1, r'< r, r, r'<r-1\}$  and the type sequence of  $\Gamma$  is  $\{e-1, r'-1, r'-1, r'=r, r'<r, r'<r\}$ .

CASE (IV): r < r': In this case c = e + r + r' and  $\Gamma \setminus \mathbb{N}_c = \{0, e, e + r\}$ . Therefore, n = 3 and  $v_1 = e$ ,  $v_2 = e + r$ . Further, we have  $\Gamma(1) \setminus \Gamma(0) = T(\Gamma) = [r + r', e + r + r' - 1] \setminus \{e, e + r\}$ ,  $\Gamma(2) \setminus \Gamma(1) = [r', r + r' - 1]$  and  $\Gamma(3) \setminus \Gamma(2) = [1, r' - 1]$ . Therefore,  $t_1 = \tau_R = e - 2$ ,  $t_2 = r$ ,  $t_3 = r' - 1$  and the type sequence of  $\Gamma$  is e - 2, r, r' - 1. Therefore, R is almost Gorenstein if and only if (r, r') = (1, 2).

2. Holes of first and second type. Let R be as in 1.1. In this section we describe the holes of first and second type of the numerical semigroup v(R) of R. In addition to the Notations of § 1, we also fix the following:

NOTATION 2.1. Put  $\Gamma := v(R)$  and let  $\Gamma_i := v(\mathfrak{A}_i)$ ,  $\Gamma(i)$  and  $t_i$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, n$  be as in 1.2.

In order to compute some type sequences explicitly, we need to study the "holes" of  $\Gamma$ , i.e., elements of  $\mathbb{N} \setminus \Gamma$ . The positions of the holes will therefore determine the type sequence of  $\Gamma$ . To make these things more precise first let us make the following:

DEFINITION 2.2. An element  $z \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \Gamma$  is called a hole of first type (respectively, hole of second type) of  $\Gamma$  if  $c - 1 - z \in \Gamma$  (respectively, if  $c - 1 - z \notin \Gamma$ ). Then  $\Gamma' := \{z \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \Gamma \mid c - 1 - z \in \Gamma\} = \{c - 1 - h \mid h \in \Gamma\}$ is the set of holes of first type of  $\Gamma$  and  $\Gamma'' := \{z \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \Gamma \mid c - 1 - z \notin \Gamma\}$  is the set of holes of second type of  $\Gamma$ . Therefore,  $\mathbb{Z} = \Gamma \biguplus \Gamma' \biguplus \Gamma''$ . Further, it is easy to see that:

(2.2.a) 
$$\begin{cases} \Gamma' \cap \mathbb{N} = \{c - 1 - v_i \mid i \in [0, n - 1]\}; |\Gamma' \cap \mathbb{N}| = n = c - \delta, \\ \Gamma'' \subseteq \mathbb{N} \setminus \Gamma, c - 1 \notin \Gamma'' \text{ and } T(\Gamma) \subseteq \{c - 1\} \cup \Gamma''. \end{cases}$$

In particular,  $\Gamma$  is symmetric if and only if  $\Gamma'' = \emptyset$ . For this reason the cardinality of  $\Gamma''$  is called the symmetry-defect of  $\Gamma$ .

LEMMA 2.3. 
$$(\Gamma(i) \setminus \Gamma(i-1)) \cap \Gamma' = \{c-1-v_{i-1}\}$$
 for each  $i=1,\ldots,n$ .

PROOF. First note that  $(\Gamma(i) \setminus \Gamma(i-1)) \cap \Gamma' \subseteq \{c-1-v_k \mid k=0,\ldots,n-1\}$ and that  $c-1-v_{i-1}$  is the greatest element in  $\Gamma(i) \setminus \Gamma(i-1)$  by [5], Proposition 2. Now suppose that  $c-1-v_k \in \Gamma(i) \setminus \Gamma(i-1)$  for some  $k \neq i-1$ . Then  $c-1-v_k < c-1-v_{i-1}$  and so k > i-1. Therefore,  $c-1-v_k \in \Gamma(i) \subseteq \Gamma(k)$ and hence  $c-1 = (c-1-v_k) + v_k \in \Gamma$  a contradiction.  $\Box$ 

LEMMA 2.4. Every element  $z \in \Gamma''$  can be written in the form z = x - h with  $x \in \Gamma(1) \setminus \Gamma$ ,  $x \neq c - 1$  and  $h \in \Gamma$ . In particular, we have:

 $\Gamma'' \subseteq \{x - \mathbf{v}_i \mid x \in \Gamma(1) \setminus \Gamma, x \neq c - 1 \text{ and } i \in [0, n - 1]\}.$ 

PROOF. If  $z \in \Gamma(1)$ , then take x = z and h = 0. In the case  $z \notin \Gamma(1)$ , i.e.,  $z + \Gamma_1 \not\subseteq \Gamma$ , let  $i := \max\{k \in [0, n-1] \mid z + v_k \notin \Gamma\}$  and  $x := z + v_i$ . Then  $x \neq c-1$  (otherwise,  $z = x - v_i = c - 1 - v_i \in \Gamma'$ ) and  $x \in \Gamma(1) \setminus \Gamma$  by definition of i. Therefore, we can take  $x := z + v_i$  and  $h = v_i$ .

The following 2.5, 2.6 and 2.7 are used to determine the positions of the holes of second type.

LEMMA-DEFINITION 2.5. First let us recall that  $m := v_1$  is the multiplicity of R and the set  $S_m(\Gamma) := \{z \in \Gamma \mid z - m \notin \Gamma\}$  is called the *standard basis* or the *Apéry set of*  $\Gamma$  with respect to m. We put  $S := S_m(\Gamma)$  and write  $S = \{0 = s_0, s_1, \ldots, s_{m-1}\}$  with  $0 = s_0 < s_1 < \cdots < s_{m-1}$ . Note that every element  $h \in \Gamma$  can be written in the unique form  $h = \rho m + s$  with  $\rho \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $s \in S$ . Further, note that  $s_{m-1} = c - 1 + m$ . With these definitions, we have: For each  $z \in \Gamma''$  and each  $s \in S$ , the following minima exist:

(1)  $\kappa(z) := \min\{k \in [0, m-1] \mid z + s_j \in \Gamma \text{ for all } k \le j \le m-1\}.$ 

(2)  $\alpha_s(z) := \operatorname{Min}\{\alpha \in \mathbb{N} \mid z + s + \alpha m \in \Gamma\}.$ 

PROOF. (1) Since  $\Gamma'' \subseteq \mathbb{N}$  by (2.2.a), we have  $z + s_{m-1} = z + c - 1 + m \ge c$ and hence  $z + s_{m-1} \in \Gamma$ . (2) For every  $s \in S$ ,  $z + s + \alpha m \in \Gamma$  for large  $\alpha >> 0$ .

LEMMA 2.6. For  $z \in \Gamma''$  and for  $s \in S$ , we have

- (1)  $\kappa(z) = \operatorname{Min}\{k \in [0, m-1] \mid \alpha_{s_k}(z) = 0\}.$
- (2)  $z + s + \rho m \notin \Gamma$  for all  $\rho \in [0, \alpha_s(z) 1], z + s + \alpha_s(z)m \in \Gamma$  and  $\alpha_{s_k}(z) = 0, i.e., z + s_k \in \Gamma$  for all  $k \ge \kappa(z)$ .
- (3) If  $z = x \rho m$  with  $x \in \Gamma(1) \setminus \Gamma$ , then  $\alpha_{s_0}(z) = \rho + 1$ .

PROOF. (1) and (2) are immediate from definitions and (3) follows from:  $z + \rho m = x \notin \Gamma$  and  $z + (\rho + 1)m = x + m \in \Gamma$ .

DEFINITION 2.7. For  $r \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $z \in \Gamma''$ , let

 $(*_r(z))$  For each  $j \in [r, n]$ , we have  $v_j = s_k + \rho m$  with  $s_k \in S, \rho \in \mathbb{N}$  and either  $k \ge \kappa(z)$ , or  $\rho \ge \alpha_{s_k}(z)$ .

PROPOSITION 2.8. Let  $x \in \Gamma(1) \setminus \Gamma$ ,  $i \in [0, n-1]$  be such that  $z := x - v_i \in \Gamma''$ . Further, let r be the least positive integer with r > i and  $(*_r(z))$  holds. Then  $z \in \Gamma(r) \setminus \Gamma(r-1)$ .

PROOF. First we prove that  $z \in \Gamma(r)$ , i.e.,  $z + \Gamma_r \subseteq \Gamma$ . It is enough to prove that:

(2.8.a) 
$$z + v_j \in \Gamma$$
 for all  $j \in [r, n]$ .

Now, since  $(*_r(z))$  holds, for each  $j \in [r, n]$  we have  $v_j = s_k + \rho m$  with  $s_k \in S, \rho \in \mathbb{N}$  and either  $k \ge \kappa(z)$ , or  $\rho \ge \alpha_{s_k}(z)$ . We consider these two cases separately.

CASE:  $k \ge \kappa(z)$ : In this case  $z + s_k \in \Gamma$  by 2.5.(1) and so  $z + v_j = z + s_k + \rho m \in \Gamma$ . CASE:  $\rho \ge \alpha_{s_k}(z)$ : In this case  $\rho = \alpha_{s_k}(z) + \beta$  for some  $\beta \in \mathbb{N}$  and so  $z + v_j = z + s_k + \alpha_{s_k}(z)m + \beta m \in \Gamma$ . This proves (2.8.a).

Now we prove that  $z \notin \Gamma(r-1)$ , i.e.,  $z + \Gamma_{r-1} \not\subseteq \Gamma$ . It is enough to prove that: (2.8.b)  $z + v_i \notin \Gamma$  for some  $j \in [r-1, n]$ .

By definition of r, we have either  $r-1 \leq i$ , or  $(*_{r-1}(z))$  does not hold. In the case  $r-1 \leq i$ , taking j = i, we have  $z + v_j = x \notin \Gamma$  by assumption, which proves (2.8.b). If  $(*_{r-1}(z))$  does not hold, i.e., there exists  $j \in [r-1,n]$  such that  $v_j = s_k + \rho m$  with  $s_k \in S, \rho \in \mathbb{N}, k < \kappa(z)$  and  $\rho < \alpha_{s_k}(z)$ . Therefore,  $z + v_j = z + s_k + \rho m \notin \Gamma$  by 2.6.(1). This proves (2.8.b).

COROLLARY 2.9. Let  $x \in \Gamma(1) \setminus \Gamma$  and  $i \in [0, n-1]$  be such that  $z := x - v_i \in \Gamma''$ . Further, assume that

(2.9.a) 
$$\kappa(z) = \operatorname{Min}\{k \in [0, m-1] \mid s_k > v_i\}$$

and that

(2.9.b)  $\alpha_s(z) \in \{0,1\}$  for all  $s \in S$  with  $s \leq v_i$ . Then  $z \in \Gamma(i+1) \setminus \Gamma(i)$ . PROOF. In view of 2.8 it is enough to prove that  $(*_{i+1}(z))$  holds. For this let  $j \in [i+1,n]$  and  $v_j = s_k + \rho m$  with  $s_k \in S$  and  $\rho \in \mathbb{N}$ . To show that either  $k \geq \kappa(z)$ , or  $k < \kappa(z)$  and  $\rho \geq \alpha_{s_k}(z)$ . If  $s_k > v_i$ , then  $k \geq \kappa(z)$  by the Assumption (2.9.a). If  $s_k \leq v_i$ , then  $\rho \geq 1$ , since  $v_j > v_i$  and hence  $\alpha_{s_k}(z) \leq \rho$  by the Assumption (2.9.b).

In Section 3, we shall consider a class of rings such that the Assumptions of 2.9 are satisfied by the holes of second type.

COROLLARY 2.10. Let  $x \in \Gamma(1) \setminus \Gamma$  and  $i \in [0, n-1]$ ,  $\beta \in \mathbb{N}^+$  be such that  $\mathbf{v}_i = \beta m$  and  $z := x - \mathbf{v}_i \in \Gamma''$ . Further, assume that  $\kappa(z) = 1$ . Then  $z \in \Gamma(i+1) \setminus \Gamma(i)$ .

PROOF. In view of 2.8 it is enough to prove that  $(*_{i+1}(z))$  holds. For this let  $j \in [i+1,n]$  and  $v_j = s_k + \rho m$  with  $s_k \in S$  and  $\rho \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since  $\kappa(z) = 1$  by assumption, it is enough to show that: if k < 1, i.e., if k = 0, then  $\rho \ge \alpha_{s_0}(z) = \beta + 1$  (see 2.5.(2)). This is immediate from  $\rho m = v_j > v_i = \beta m$ .  $\Box$ 

3. Numerical invariants of semigroups generated by arithmetic sequences. In this section we give an explicit description of the type sequence of a semigroup generated by an arithmetic sequence. In addition to the notation, definitions and results of 1.1 and 2.1, we further fix the following notation.

NOTATION 3.1. Let  $m, d \in \mathbb{N}, m \geq 2, d \geq 1$  be such that gcd(m, d) = 1and let p be an integer  $p \geq 1$  and put  $m_i := m + id$  for  $i = 0, 1, \ldots, p + 1$ . Let  $\Gamma := \sum_{i=0}^{p+1} \mathbb{N}m_i$  be the semigroup generated by the arithmetic sequence  $m_0, m_1, \ldots, m_{p+1}$ .

For any positive natural number  $k \in \mathbb{N}^+$ , let  $q_k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $r_k \in [1, p+1]$  be the unique integers defined by the equation  $k = q_k(p+1) + r_k$ . We put  $q := q_{m-1}$  and  $r := r_{m-1} - 1$ . Therefore,  $q \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $r \in [0, p]$  and m - 2 = q(p+1) + r.

Put  $s_0 = 0$  and  $s_k := m_{r_k} + q_k m_{p+1} = (1+q_k)m + (r_k + q_k(p+1)) d$  for  $k \in [1, m-1]$ . Further, we put  $S_1 := \{m_i + jm_{p+1} \mid i \in [1, p+1] \text{ and } j \in [0, q-1]\}$  and  $S_2 := \{m_i + qm_{p+1} \mid i \in [1, r+1]\}$ . Note that  $S_1 = \emptyset$ , if q = 0.

**PROPOSITION 3.2.** With the notations as in 3.1 we have:

(1) The standard basis  $S := S_m(\Gamma)$  with respect to the multiplicity  $m = m_0$  of  $\Gamma$  is:

 $S = \{s_k \mid k \in [0, m - 1]\} = \{0\} \cup S_1 \cup S_2.$ 

(2) The conductor  $c := c(\Gamma)$  and the degree of singularity  $\delta := \delta(\Gamma)$  of  $\Gamma$  are:

c = (m-1)(d+q) + q + 1 and  $\delta = ((m-1)(d+q) + (r+1)(q+1))/2.$ 

(3) The set  $T := T(\Gamma) = \Gamma(1) \setminus \Gamma = \{m_i + qm_{p+1} - m_0 \mid i \in [1, r+1]\} = \{c - 1 - (r - i + 1)d \mid i \in [1, r+1]\}$ . In particular, the Cohen-Macaulay type of  $\Gamma$  is  $\tau := \tau_{\Gamma} = r + 1$ .

PROOF. (1) and (3) are special cases of the general results proved in [7], (3.5) and [6], § 5. (2) is proved in [9], § 3, Supplement 6.  $\Box$ 

Now we give an explicit description of the positions of the holes of second type of  $\Gamma$ .

LEMMA 3.3. With the notations as in 2.1 and 3.1, we have:  $\operatorname{card}(\Gamma'') = (q+1)r$ . Moreover,  $\Theta := \{x - jm_{p+1} \mid x \in \Gamma(1) \setminus \Gamma, x \neq c-1 \text{ and } j \in [0,q]\} = \Gamma''$ .

PROOF. Note that  $\operatorname{card}(\Gamma'') = \operatorname{card}((\mathbb{N} \setminus \Gamma)) - \operatorname{card}(\Gamma' \cap \mathbb{N}) = \delta - n = 2\delta - c = (q+1)r$  by 2.1 and 3.2.(2). Therefore, since  $|\Theta| = |\Gamma''|$ , it is enough to prove that  $\Theta \subseteq \Gamma''$ . For this, let  $x \in \Gamma(1) \setminus \Gamma$ ,  $x \neq c-1$  and  $j \in [0,q]$ . Then  $x - jm_{p+1} \ge c - 1 - rd - qm_{p+1} = d > 0$  and  $x - jm_{p+1} \notin \Gamma$ , since  $x \notin \Gamma$  and  $jm_{p+1} \in \Gamma$ . Therefore, further it is enough to prove that  $x - jm_{p+1} \notin \Gamma'$ . Note that by 3.2.(3) x = c - 1 - (r - i + 1)d for some  $i \in [1, r]$ . Therefore, if  $x - jm_{p+1} \in \Gamma'$ . Note that y = c - 1 - h for some  $h \in \Gamma$  and so  $(r - i + 1)d + jm_{p+1} = h \in \Gamma$ . Now, adding m on both sides we get  $s_k = m_{r-i+1} + jm_{p+1} = m + h \notin S$  a contradiction, since  $k = j(p+1) + r - i + 1 \leq q(p+1) + r + 1 \leq m - 1$ . This proves that  $x - jm_{p+1} \notin \Gamma'$ .

LEMMA 3.4. Let  $j \in [0,q]$ . Then  $jm_{p+1} = s_{j(p+1)} \in S$  and  $jm_{p+1} < c$ . In particular,  $\{k \in [0, m-1] \mid s_k > jm_{p+1}\} \neq \emptyset$  and if  $s_k > jm_{p+1}$  for  $k \in [0, m-1]$ , then k > j(p+1).

PROOF. Using 3.1 and 3.2, it is easy to verify that  $jm_{p+1} = s_{j(p+1)} \in S$ and  $jm_{p+1} < c$ . Further, since  $c = s_{m-1} - m + 1$ , we have  $jm_{p+1} < s_{m-1}$  and hence the last assertion is clear.

PROPOSITION 3.5. Let  $j \in [0,q]$ ,  $x \in \Gamma(1) \setminus \Gamma$ ,  $x \neq c-1$  and let  $z = x - jm_{p+1}$ . Then  $\kappa(z) = \text{Min}\{k \in [0, m-1] \mid s_k > jm_{p+1}\}$  and  $\alpha_s(z) \in \{0, 1\}$  for all  $s \in S$ .

PROOF. First note that, by 3.3,  $z \in \Gamma''$  and, by 3.2.(3),  $x = m_i + qm_{p+1} - m$  for some  $i \in [1, r+1]$  and so  $z + m = m_i + (q-j)m_{p+1} \in \Gamma$ , since  $j \leq q$  and so  $z + m + s \in \Gamma$  for every  $s \in S$ . In particular,  $\alpha_s(z) \in \{0, 1\}$ .

If j = 0, then  $z = x \in \Gamma(1) \setminus \Gamma$  and so  $z + s \in \Gamma$  for every  $s \in S$ ,  $s \neq 0$  and  $z \notin \Gamma$ . Therefore,  $\kappa(z) = 1 = \min\{k \in [0, m-1] \mid s_k > 0\}$ .

Now assume that 
$$j > 0$$
. Let  $s_k \in S$  be such that  $s_k > jm_{p+1}$ . Then  $z + s_k = x + s_k - jm_{p+1} = \begin{cases} x + (q_k + 1 - j)m_{p+1}, & \text{if } k = q_k(p+1) + (p+1), \\ x + m_{r_k} + (q_k - j)m_{p+1}, & \text{if } k = q_k(p+1) + r_k, & r_k \neq p+1. \end{cases}$ 

Further, since k > j(p+1) by 3.4, we have

$$\begin{cases} q_k + 1 > j, & \text{if } k = q_k(p+1) + (p+1), \\ q_k \ge j, & \text{if } k = q_k(p+1) + r_k, \ r_k \ne p + 1 \end{cases}$$

Therefore, it follows that  $z + s_k \in \Gamma$ , since  $x \in \Gamma(1)$ . This proves that

(3.5.a) 
$$\alpha_{s_k}(z) = 0$$
 for every  $s_k \in S$  with  $s_k > jm_{p+1}$ .

Further,  $\alpha_{jm_{p+1}}(z) \ge 1$ , since  $z + jm_{p+1} = x \notin \Gamma$ . Therefore, by (3.5.a), we have:

$$\kappa(z) = \mathrm{Min}\{k \in [0, m-1] \mid \alpha_{s_k}(z) = 0\} = \mathrm{Min}\{k \in [0, m-1] \mid s_k > jm_{p+1}\}. \quad \Box$$

DEFINITION 3.6. Let  $0 = v_0 < v_1 < \cdots < v_{n-1} < v_n := c$  be elements of  $\Gamma$  such that  $\Gamma \setminus \mathbb{N}_c = \{0 = v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{n-1}\}$ . For  $i \in [0, n]$ , the element  $v_i \in \Gamma$  is called the *i*-th element of  $\Gamma$ . Note that, by 3.4, for every  $j \in [0, q]$ , there exists a unique integer  $i(j) \in [0, n-1]$  such that  $jm_{p+1} = v_{i(j)}$  is the i(j)-th element of  $\Gamma$ .

COROLLARY 3.7. Let  $j \in [0, q]$  and let  $i(j) \in [0, n-1]$  be as in the definition 3.6. Then

$$\Gamma(\mathbf{i}(j)+1) \setminus \Gamma(\mathbf{i}(j)) = \{x - jm_{p+1} \mid x \in \Gamma(1) \setminus \Gamma\}.$$

In particular, card  $(\Gamma(i(j) + 1) \setminus \Gamma(i(j))) = \tau_{\Gamma} = r + 1.$ 

PROOF. First let  $x \in \Gamma(1) \setminus \Gamma$ ,  $x \neq c-1$  and let  $z = x - jm_{p+1}$ . Then  $z \in \Gamma''$  by 3.3. Further, since  $jm_{p+1} = v_{i(j)}$  is the i(j)-th element (see 3.6) of  $\Gamma$ , by 3.5 and 2.9, we have  $z \in \Gamma(i(j)+1) \setminus \Gamma(i(j))$ . Further, note that  $c-1-jm_{p+1} = c-1-v_{i(j)}$  is the unique element of  $\Gamma'$  which belongs to  $\Gamma(i(j)+1) \setminus \Gamma(i(j))$  by (2.3). Therefore, it follows from 3.3 that  $\{x-jm_{p+1} \mid x \in \Gamma(1) \setminus \Gamma\} = \Gamma(i(j)+1) \setminus \Gamma(i(j))$ . Now the last assertion follows from 3.2.(3).

THEOREM 3.8. Let  $m, d \in \mathbb{N}, m \geq 2, d \geq 1$  be such that gcd(m, d) = 1 and let p be an integer with  $1 \leq p \leq m-2$ . Let  $\Gamma := \sum_{k=0}^{p+1} \mathbb{N}m_k$  be the semigroup generated by the arithmetic sequence  $m_k := m + kd$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \ldots, p+1$ . Let  $q \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $r \in [0, p]$  be the unique integers defined by the equation m-2 =q(p+1) + r. Further, let  $c \in \Gamma$  be the conductor of  $\Gamma$ ,  $\mathbb{N}_c = \{z \in \mathbb{N} \mid z \geq c\}$ and let  $\Gamma \setminus \mathbb{N}_c = \{0 = v_0, v_1, \ldots, v_{n-1}\}$  with  $v_0 < v_1 < \cdots < v_{n-1} < v_n := c$ . Then the *i*-th term  $t_i = t_i(\Gamma)$  of the type sequence  $(t_1, t_2, \ldots, t_n)$  of  $\Gamma$  is

$$t_{i} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \mathbf{v}_{i-1} \neq jm_{p+1} \text{ for every } j \in [0,q], \\ r+1, & \text{if } \mathbf{v}_{i-1} = jm_{p+1} \text{ for some } j \in [0,q]. \end{cases}$$

PROOF. If  $v_{i-1} \neq jm_{p+1}$  for every  $j \in [0,q]$ , then  $\Gamma(i) \setminus \Gamma(i-1) = \{c-1-v_{i-1}\}$  by 2.4 and 2.3, 3.3, 3.7 and hence  $\operatorname{card}(\Gamma(i) \setminus \Gamma(i-1)) = 1$ . If  $v_{i-1} = jm_{p+1}$  for some  $j \in [0,q]$ , then  $\operatorname{card}(\Gamma(i) \setminus \Gamma(i-1)) = r+1$  by 3.7.  $\Box$ 

COROLLARY 3.9. In addition to the notations and assumptions as in (3.8), further assume that d = 1. Then the *i*-the term  $t_i$  of the type sequence  $(t_1, t_2, \ldots, t_n)$  of  $\Gamma$  is

$$t_{i} = \begin{cases} r+1, & \text{if } i = \binom{j+1}{2}(p+1) + j + 1 & \text{for some } j \in [0,q], \\ 1, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

PROOF. Note that since  $m_0, \ldots, m_{p+1}$  is an arithmetic sequence, every element of  $\Gamma$  can be written uniquely in the form  $am_0 + m_k + bm_{p+1}$  with  $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $k \in [0, p+1]$ . Therefore, we have  $\Gamma = \bigcup_{j \ge 0} \Gamma^{(j)}$ , where  $\Gamma^{(0)} := \{0\}$  and  $\Gamma^{(j)} := \{am_0 + m_k + bm_{p+1} \mid (a, b) \in \mathbb{N}^2, k \in [0, p+1] \text{ and } a+b = j-1\}$  for  $j \ge 1$ . Further, since d = 1, for every  $j \ge 0$ , elements of  $\Gamma^{(j)}$  are consequtive positive integers,  $\operatorname{Min}(\Gamma^{(j)}) = jm_0, \operatorname{Max}(\Gamma^{(j)}) = jm_{p+1}$  and  $\operatorname{card}(\Gamma^{(j)}) = j(p+1)+1$ . Furthermore,  $\Gamma^{(j)} \cap \Gamma^{(j+1)} \neq \emptyset$  if and only if  $j \ge q+1$ . Therefore, for every  $j \in [0,q], jm_{p+1}$  is the  $(\mathrm{i}(j)-1)$ -th element  $\mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{i}(j)-1}$  in  $\Gamma$ , where  $\mathrm{i}(j) := \operatorname{card}\left(\biguplus_{t=0}^j \Gamma^{(t)}\right) = \sum_{t=0}^j (t(p+1)+1) = \binom{j+1}{2}(p+1)+j+1$ . Now the assertion is clear from 3.8.

COROLLARY 3.10. Let m, d, p, q, r and  $\Gamma$  be as in 3.8 and let  $R := K[[\Gamma]]$  be the semigroup ring of  $\Gamma$  over a field K. Then

- (1) R is Gorenstein if and only if r = 0.
- (2) Assume that R is not Gorenstein. Then R is almost Gorenstein if and only if m = p + 2. Moreover, in this case we have  $\tau_R = m 1$ .

PROOF. (1) R is Gorenstein if and only if  $\tau_R = r + 1 = 1$ , i.e. r = 0. (2) R is almost Gorenstein if and only if the type sequence of R is  $\tau_R = r + 1, 1, \ldots, 1$  or equivalently (by 3.8) q = 0, i.e. m - 2 = r. Now, since  $m \ge p + 2$  and  $r \le p$ , we have m - 2 = r if and only if m - 2 = p.

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