# A Note on Star-Prüfer Extensions

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## Abstract

Let  $\star$  be a star operation on a ring extension  $R \subseteq S$ . The ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is said to be a  $\star$ -*Prüfer* if  $R_{[p]} \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension for each  $\star$ -prime ideal p of R. We study properties of  $\star$ -Prüfer extensions. In particular, we investigate the transfer of star-Prüfer properties from the extension  $R \subseteq S$  to the extension  $R[X] \subseteq S[X]$  of polynomial rings, where X is an indeterminate over S.

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### 1. Introduction and Background

Throughout this article, we assume that all rings are commutative with identity. Let  $R \subseteq S$  be a ring extension, and let A be an R-submodule of S. The R-submodule A is said to be S-regular if AS = S (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, Definition 1 in Chapter II, p. 84). The R-submodule A of S is called S-invertible, if there exists an R-submodule B of S such that AB = R (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, Definition 3 in Chapter II, p. 90). In this case, we write  $B = A^{-1}$ , and  $A^{-1} = [R :_S A] = \{x \in S : xA \subseteq R\}$ (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, Remarks 1.10 in Chapter II, p. 90).

Let *S* be a ring, and let  $\Gamma$  be an additive totally ordered abelian group. Let  $\Gamma \cup \infty = \Gamma \cup \{\infty\}$ , where  $\infty + g = g + \infty = \infty$  and  $g < \infty$  for all  $g \in \Gamma$ . A *valuation* on *S* with values in  $\Gamma$  is a map  $v : S \longrightarrow \Gamma \cup \infty$  such that:

- (1) v(xy) = v(x) + v(y) for all  $x, y \in S$ .
- (2)  $v(x + y) \ge \min \{v(x), v(y)\}$  for all  $x, y \in S$ .
- (3) v(1) = 0 and  $v(0) = \infty$ .

In this case,  $V = \{x \in S : v(x) \ge 0\}$  is called a *valuation subring* of *S*. If  $v(S) = \{0, \infty\}$ , then *v* is said to be *trivial*, otherwise *v* is called *non-trivial* (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, Definition 1, p. 10). The subgroup of  $\Gamma$  generated by  $v(S) \setminus \{\infty\}$  is called the *value group* of *v* and is denoted by  $\Gamma_v$ . If  $v(S) = \Gamma_v \cup \infty$ , then *v* is called a *Manis valuation* on *S*, and  $V = \{x \in S : v(x) \ge 0\}$  is called a *Manis subring* of *S* (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, Definition 4, p. 12).

Let S be a ring, and let R be a subring of S. If there exists a Manis valuation  $v : S \longrightarrow \Gamma \cup \infty$  such that  $R = \{x \in S : v(x) \ge 0\}$ , then the ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is called a *Manis extension*. In this case,  $(R, \mathfrak{p})$  is called a *Manis pair* in S, where  $\mathfrak{p} = \{x \in S : v(x) > 0\}$ . For each R-submodule M of S, and for each multiplicative subset  $\tau$  of R, we denote by  $M_{[\tau]}$  the set of  $x \in S$  such that  $tx \in M$  for some  $t \in \tau$ . If  $\mathfrak{p}$  is a prime ideal of R, and  $\tau = R \setminus \mathfrak{p}$ , then  $M_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$  denotes the set of  $x \in S$  such that  $tx \in M$  for some  $t \in \tau$ .

Let  $R \subseteq S$  be a ring extension. The ring *S* is called a *Prüfer extension* of *R* if  $(R_{[p]}, p_{[p]})$  is a Manis pair in *S* for every maximal ideal p of *R*. In this case, we say that *R* is Prüfer in *S*. The ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is said to be *tight* if for every  $x \in S \setminus R$ , there exists an *S*-invertible ideal *I* of *R* such that  $Ix \subseteq R$  (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, Definition 1, p. 94). More on Manis valuations and Prüfer extensions can be found in Knebusch and Zhang (2002).

**Lemma 1.1.** Let  $R \subseteq S$  be a ring extension, and let  $\mathfrak{p}$  be a prime ideal of R. If  $R_{\mathfrak{p}} \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension, then  $(R_{\mathfrak{p}}, \mathfrak{p}_{\mathfrak{p}})$  is a Manis pair in S.

*Proof.* Let  $\mathfrak{p}$  be a prime ideal of R. Suppose that  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]} \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension. By (Paudel & Tchamna, 2021b, Remark 2.1(1)),  $\mathfrak{p}_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$  is a prime ideal of  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$ . Hence, by the definition of a Prüfer extension,  $\left(\left(R_{[\mathfrak{p}]}\right)_{[\mathfrak{p}_{[\mathfrak{p}]}]}, \left(\mathfrak{p}_{[\mathfrak{p}]}\right)_{[\mathfrak{p}_{[\mathfrak{p}]}]}\right)$  is a Manis pair in S. But by (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, Lemma 2.9 (c), p. 28), we have

$$(R_{[\mathfrak{p}]})_{[\mathfrak{p}_{[\mathfrak{p}]}]} = R_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$$

and

$$(\mathfrak{p}_{[\mathfrak{p}]})_{[\mathfrak{p}_{[\mathfrak{p}]}]} = \mathfrak{p}_{[\mathfrak{p}]}.$$

It follows that  $(R_{[p]}, p_{[p]})$  is a Manis pair in *S*.

**Remark 1.2.** Let  $R \subseteq S$  be a ring extension. For any prime ideal  $\mathfrak{p}$  of R, if  $A_{\mathfrak{p}} = B_{\mathfrak{p}}$ , then  $A_{[\mathfrak{p}]} = B_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$ . In fact, if  $x \in A_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$ . Then there exists  $t \in R \setminus \mathfrak{p}$  and  $a \in A$  such that tx = a. Furthermore, we have  $\frac{a}{t} \in A_{\mathfrak{p}} = B_{\mathfrak{p}}$ . Hence  $\frac{a}{t} = \frac{b}{t'}$  with  $b \in B$  and  $t' \in R \setminus \mathfrak{p}$ . Thus s(at') = s(bt) for some  $s \in R \setminus \mathfrak{p}$ . It follows that s(tx)t' = (st)b. Hence  $(stt')x \in B$ . This shows that  $x \in B_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$  since  $stt' \in R \setminus \mathfrak{p}$ . Thus  $A_{[\mathfrak{p}]} \subseteq B_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$ . Similarly,  $B_{[\mathfrak{p}]} \subseteq A_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$ . Hence  $A_{[\mathfrak{p}]} = B_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$ .

For a ring extension  $R \subseteq S$ , a map  $\star$ :  $\mathcal{J}(R, S) \longrightarrow \mathcal{J}(R, S)$ , where  $\mathcal{J}(R, S)$  is the set of all *R*-submodules of *S*, is called *star operation on*  $R \subseteq S$  if the following conditions are satisfied for all  $A, B \in \mathcal{J}(R, S)$ .

- $(c_1) A \subseteq A^{\star}.$
- (c<sub>2</sub>) If  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $A^* \subseteq B^*$ .
- $(c_3) (A^{\star})^{\star} = A^{\star}.$
- $(c_4) AB^{\star} \subseteq (AB)^{\star}.$

When  $R^* = R$ , the star operation  $\star$  is said to be *strict*. For more on star operations of ring extensions, see (Knebusch & Kaiser, 2014, pages 139 - 164).

A star operation  $\star$  on a ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is said to be of finite type if for each *R*-submodule *A* of *R*,  $A^* = \bigcup K^*$ , where *K* ranges over all the finitely generated *R*-submodules of *S* contained in *A* (Knebusch & Kaiser, 2014, Definition 1 in Chapter 3, p. 156).

**Remark 1.3.** ((*Knebusch & Kaiser, 2014, Proposition 6.3 in Chapter 3, p. 156*)) For a star operation  $\star : \mathcal{J}(R, S) \longrightarrow \mathcal{J}(R, S)$ , and each *R*-submodule *A* of *S*, define  $A^{\star_f} = \bigcup K^{\star}$ , where *K* ranges over all the finitely generated *R*-submodules of *S* contained in *A*. Then the map  $\star_f : \mathcal{J}(R, S) \longrightarrow \mathcal{J}(R, S)$  defined by  $A \longmapsto A^{\star_f}$  is a star operation of finite type on the extension  $R \subseteq S$ .

Let *I* be an ideal of *R*. The ideal *I* is said to be a  $\star$ -*ideal if*  $I^{\star} = I$ . Following the terminology used in ?, we call an ideal *I* of *R* a  $\star$ -*prime ideal* if *I* is both a  $\star$ -ideal and a prime ideal of *R*. A maximal element in the set of all  $\star$ -ideals of *R* is called  $\star$ -*maximal ideal*.

**Lemma 1.4.** ((*Tchamna*, 2020, *Remark* 2.4)) Let  $R \subseteq S$  be a ring extension, and let  $\star$  be a strict star operation of finite type on  $R \subseteq S$ . Then each proper  $\star$ -ideal of R is contained in a  $\star$ -prime ideal (which is also a  $\star$ -maximal ideal).

**Definition 1.5.** Let  $R \subseteq S$  be a ring extension, and let  $\star$  be a star operation on  $R \subseteq S$ . The ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is said to be a  $\star$ -Prüfer extension if  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]} \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension for each  $\star$ -prime ideal  $\mathfrak{p}$  of R.

In the next section, we study properties of  $\star$ -Prüfer extensions. In Proposition 2.7, we show that if  $R \subseteq S$  is a  $\star$ -Prüfer extension, then each finitely generated *S*-regular  $\star$ -submodule of *S* is  $\star$ -invertible. We show that any  $\star$ -Prüfer extension is a Prüfer  $\star$ -multiplication extension (see Proposition 2.8).

In Paudel and Tchamna (2018), the notion of Prüfer  $\star$ -multiplication extension is defined and some properties are established. Let  $\star : \mathcal{J}(R, S) \longrightarrow \mathcal{J}(R, S)$  be a star operation. The extension  $R \subseteq S$  is called (*weak*) Prüfer  $\star$ -multiplication extension ( $P \star ME$ ) if the pair ( $R_{[m]}, \mathfrak{m}_{[m]}$ ) is Manis in S for every (S-regular)  $\star$ -maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}$  of R. In Remark 2.9, we give a condition under which the notion of  $\star$ -Prüfer extension and  $P \star ME$  coincide.

In Example 2.10, we show that a  $\star$ -Prüfer extension is not always a Prüfer extension. In Example 2.12, we construct a ring extension to show that there exist  $\star$ -Prüfer extensions which are not Manis extensions. In Example 2.13, we give an example of a ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  and a star operation  $\star$  on  $R \subseteq S$  such that the ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is not  $\star$ -Prüfer. In Theorem 2.16 and Theorem 2.18, we study  $\star$ -Prüfer extensions in commutative diagrams. In Theorem 2.24, we show that if the extension  $R[X] \subseteq S[X]$  (respectively  $R[X]_{[N(\star_1)]} \subseteq S[X]$ ) is  $\star_2$ -Prüfer, then  $R \subseteq S$  is a  $\star_1$ -Prüfer extension, where  $\star_1$  and  $\star_2$  are two star operations on  $R \subseteq S$  and  $R[X] \subseteq S[X]$  respectively satisfying  $A^{\star_1}R[X] = (AR[X])^{\star_2}$  for each R-submodule A of S.

#### 2. Properties of **\***-Prüfer Extensions

We start this section by a remark which shows that in Definition 1.5, when  $\star$  is the identity, we get a Prüfer extension. This shows that the notion of  $\star$ -Prüfer extension is a generalization of the notion of Prüfer extension.

**Remark 2.1.** When the star operation in Definition 1.5 is the identity  $d : \mathcal{J}(R, S) \longrightarrow \mathcal{J}(R, S)$ , the *d*-Prüfer extension coincides with the definition of a Prüfer extension. In fact, if  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]} \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension for each prime ideal  $\mathfrak{p}$  of R, then by Lemma 1.1,  $(R_{[\mathfrak{p}]}, \mathfrak{p}_{[\mathfrak{p}]})$  is a Manis pair in S. It follows from the definition of a Prüfer extension that  $R \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension. Conversely, if  $R \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension, then  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]} \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension. This is a direct consequence of (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, Corollary 5.3, p. 50) and the fact that  $R \subseteq R_{[\mathfrak{p}]} \subseteq S$  for each prime ideal  $\mathfrak{p}$  of R.

**Remark 2.2.** Let  $R \subseteq S$  be a ring extension, and let  $\star$  be a strict star operation of finite type on  $R \subseteq S$ . The ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is  $\star$ -Prüfer if and only if  $R_{[m]} \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension for each  $\star$ -maximal ideal m of R.

*Proof.* Suppose that  $R \subseteq S$  is a  $\star$ -Prüfer extension. Then by definition,  $R_{[m]} \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension for each  $\star$ -maximal ideal of R is also a  $\star$ -prime ideal of R. Conversely, suppose that  $R_{[m]} \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension for each  $\star$ -maximal ideal of R. Let  $\mathfrak{p}$  be a  $\star$ -prime ideal of R. By Lemma 1.4, there exists a  $\star$ -maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{n}$  of R containing  $\mathfrak{p}$ . Furthermore,  $R_{[n]} \subseteq R_{[\mathfrak{p}]} \subseteq S$ . But by hypothesis, the extension  $R_{[n]} \subseteq S$  is Prüfer. It follows from (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, Corollary 5.3, p. 50) that the extension  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]} \subseteq S$  is Prüfer. This shows that the extension  $R \subseteq S$  is  $\star$ -Prüfer.

A ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is said to be *weakly surjective* if for each prime ideal  $\mathfrak{p}$  of R such that  $\mathfrak{p}S \neq S$ , the homomorphism  $i_{\mathfrak{p}} : R_{\mathfrak{p}} \to S_{\mathfrak{p}}$  induced by the inclusion  $i : R \hookrightarrow S$  is surjective (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, Definition 1, p. 32).

**Proposition 2.3.** Let  $R \subseteq L \subseteq S$  be ring extensions such that  $R \subseteq L$  is a weakly surjective extension with  $\mathfrak{p}L \neq L$  for each prime ideal  $\mathfrak{p}$  of R. Let  $\star_1$  be a star operation on  $R \subseteq S$ , and  $\star_2$  a star operation on  $L \subseteq S$  such that  $A^{\star_1}L = (AL)^{\star_2}$  for each R-submodule A of S. The ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is  $\star_1$ -Prüfer if and only if the ring extension  $L \subseteq S$  is  $\star_2$ -Prüfer.

*Proof.* Suppose that  $R \subseteq S$  is  $\star_1$ -Prüfer. Let  $\mathfrak{q}$  be a  $\star_2$ -prime ideal of L, and let  $\mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{q} \cap R$ . Then

$$p^{\star_1} = (q \cap R)^{\star_1} \subseteq (q \cap R)^{\star_1}L$$
  
=  $((q \cap R)L)^{\star_2}$  (by hypothesis)  
 $\subseteq (qL)^{\star_2}$   
=  $q^{\star_2} = q$ .

Hence  $\mathfrak{p}^{\star_1} \subseteq \mathfrak{q}$ . On the other hand, we have  $\mathfrak{p}^{\star_1} = (\mathfrak{q} \cap R)^{\star_1} \subseteq R^{\star_1} = R$ . This shows that  $\mathfrak{p}^{\star_1} \subseteq \mathfrak{q} \cap R = \mathfrak{p}$ . Thus  $\mathfrak{p}$  is a  $\star_1$ -prime ideal of R. It follows from the hypothesis that  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]} \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension. But by (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, Theorem 3.13, p. 37), we have  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]} = L_{[\mathfrak{q}]}$ . Hence  $L_{[\mathfrak{q}]} \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension. This shows that the ring extension  $L \subseteq S$  is  $\star_2$ -Prüfer.

Conversely, suppose that  $L \subseteq S$  is  $\star_2$ -Prüfer. Let  $\mathfrak{p}$  be a  $\star_1$ -prime ideal of R, and let  $\mathfrak{q} = \mathfrak{p}L$ . We have  $(\mathfrak{p}L)^{\star_2} = \mathfrak{p}^{\star_1}L = \mathfrak{p}L$ . Hence  $\mathfrak{q} = \mathfrak{p}L$  is a  $\star_2$ -ideal of L. Furthermore, by hypothesis,  $\mathfrak{q} = \mathfrak{p}L \neq L$ . It follows from (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, Theorem 4.8, p. 44) that  $\mathfrak{q}$  is a prime ideal of L satisfying  $\mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{q} \cap R$ . So,  $\mathfrak{q}$  is a  $\star_2$ -prime ideal of L. Therefore, by hypothesis, the ring extension  $L_{[\mathfrak{q}]} \subseteq S$  is Prüfer. But by (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, Theorem 3.13, p. 37), we have  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]} = L_{[\mathfrak{q}]}$ . Thus  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]} \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension. This shows that the ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is  $\star_2$ -Prüfer.

**Lemma 2.4.** ((Paudel & Tchamna, 2021b, Lemma 3.2)) Let  $\star$  be a strict star operation of finite type on a ring extension  $R \subseteq S$ , and let A be an R-submodule of S such that  $A^* = A$ . Then for any multiplicatively closed subset  $\tau$  of R, we have  $(A_{[\tau]})^* = A_{[\tau]}$ . In particular,  $(R_{[\tau]})^* = R_{[\tau]}$ .

**Lemma 2.5.** Let  $\star$  be a strict star operation of finite type on a ring extension  $R \subseteq S$ , and let  $\mathcal{P}(\star)$  be the set of all  $\star$ -prime ideals of R. Let A, B be two R-submodules of S.

- (1)  $A^{\star} = \bigcap_{\mathfrak{p} \in \mathcal{P}(\star)} A^{\star}_{[\mathfrak{p}]} = \bigcap_{\mathfrak{p} \in \mathcal{P}(\star)} (A_{[\mathfrak{p}]})^{\star}$  for each *R*-submodule *A* of *R*.
- (2) If  $A_{[\mathfrak{p}]} = B_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$  for each  $\star$ -prime ideal  $\mathfrak{p}$  of R, then  $A^{\star} = B^{\star}$ .

*Proof.* (1) The containment  $A^* \subseteq \bigcap_{\mathfrak{p}\in\mathcal{P}(\star)} A^*_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$  is true since the containment  $A^* \subseteq A^*_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$  is always true for each  $\mathfrak{p}\in\mathcal{P}(\star)$ . Let  $x \in \bigcap_{\mathfrak{p}\in\mathcal{P}(\star)} A^*_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$ , and let  $\mathfrak{a} = \{t \in R : tx \in A^*\}$ . Then for each  $\mathfrak{p}_0 \in \mathcal{P}(\star)$ , we have  $x \in A^*_{[\mathfrak{p}_0]}$ . So, there exists  $t_0 \in R \setminus \mathfrak{p}_0$  such that  $t_0x \in A^*$ . Hence  $t_0 \in \mathfrak{a} \cap (R \setminus \mathfrak{p}_0)$ . This shows that  $\mathfrak{a} \cap (R \setminus \mathfrak{p}_0) \neq \emptyset$ . It follows from Lemma 1.4 that  $\mathfrak{a}^* = R$ . Since  $\star$  is a star operation of finite type, there exist  $t_1, \ldots, t_\ell \in \mathfrak{a}$  such that  $R = (t_1, \ldots, t_\ell)^*$ . Thus  $x \in xR = x(t_1, \ldots, t_\ell)^* \subseteq (t_1x, \ldots, t_\ell x)^* \subseteq A^*$ . This shows that  $\bigcap_{\mathfrak{p}\in\mathcal{P}(\star)} A^*_{[\mathfrak{p}]} \subseteq A^*$ . Therefore  $A^* = \bigcap_{\mathfrak{p}\in\mathcal{P}(\star)} A^*_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$ .

Let  $y \in \bigcap_{\mathfrak{p}\in\mathcal{P}(\star)} (A_{[\mathfrak{p}]})^{\star}$ . Then for each  $\mathfrak{p}_0 \in \mathcal{P}(\star)$ , we have  $y \in (A_{[\mathfrak{p}_0]})^{\star}$ . Since the star operation  $\star$  is of finite type, there exist  $x_1, \ldots, x_\ell \in A_{[\mathfrak{p}_0]}$  such that  $y \in (x_1, \ldots, x_\ell)^{\star}$ . For  $1 \le i \le \ell$ , let  $t_i \in R \setminus \mathfrak{p}_0$  such that  $t_i x_i \in A$ , and let  $t = \prod_{i=1}^{\ell} t_i$ . Then  $ty \in t(x_1, \ldots, x_\ell)^{\star} \subseteq (tx_1, \ldots, tx_\ell)^{\star} \subseteq A^{\star}$ . Thus  $y \in A_{[\mathfrak{p}_0]}^{\star}$ . This shows that  $y \in \bigcap_{\mathfrak{p}\in\mathcal{P}(\star)} A_{[\mathfrak{p}]}^{\star}$ . It follows that  $\bigcap_{\mathfrak{p}\in\mathcal{P}(\star)} (A_{[\mathfrak{p}]})^{\star} \subseteq \bigcap_{\mathfrak{p}\in\mathcal{P}(\star)} A_{[\mathfrak{p}]}^{\star} = A^{\star}$ . On the other hand, for each  $\mathfrak{p} \in \mathcal{P}(\star)$ , we have  $A \subseteq A_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$ . Thus  $A^{\star} \subseteq (A_{[\mathfrak{p}]})^{\star}$ . Hence  $A^{\star} \subseteq \bigcap_{\mathfrak{p}\in\mathcal{P}(\star)} (A_{[\mathfrak{p}]})^{\star}$ . Therefore,  $A^{\star} = \bigcap_{\mathfrak{p}\in\mathcal{P}(\star)} A_{[\mathfrak{p}]}^{\star} = \bigcap_{\mathfrak{p}\in\mathcal{P}(\star)} (A_{[\mathfrak{p}]})^{\star}$ .

(2) Let *A*, *B* be two *R*-submodules of *S* such that  $A_{[\mathfrak{p}]} = B_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$  for each  $\mathfrak{p} \in \mathcal{P}(\star)$ . Then  $(A_{[\mathfrak{p}]})^{\star} = (B_{[\mathfrak{p}]})^{\star}$ . It follows from part (1) that  $A^{\star} = \bigcap_{\mathfrak{p} \in \mathcal{P}(\star)} (A_{[\mathfrak{p}]})^{\star} = \bigcap_{\mathfrak{p} \in \mathcal{P}(\star)} (B_{[\mathfrak{p}]})^{\star} = B^{\star}$ .

Let  $R \subseteq S$  be a ring extension, and let X be an indeterminate over S. For any  $g \in S[X]$ , and any ring A between R and S, we denote by  $c_A(g)$  the A-submodule of S generated by the coefficients of g. When A = S,  $c_S(g)$  coincides with the ideal of S generated by the coefficients of g.

Let *S* be a ring, and let  $T = \{g \in S[X] : c_S(g) = S\}$ , where *X* is an indeterminate over *S*. Then the set *T* is a multiplicative system in *S*[*X*] (Gilmer, 1992, Proposition 33.1, p. 410). Following the same notation in Gilmer (1992), we denote by *S*(*X*) the quotient ring (*S*[*X*])<sub>*T*</sub>.

**Proposition 2.6.** Let  $R \subseteq S$  be a ring extension. If the ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is  $\star$ -Prüfer for any strict star operation  $\star$  on  $R \subseteq S$ , then  $R \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension if and only if  $R(X) \subseteq S(X)$  is a Prüfer extension.

*Proof.* Suppose there exists a strict star operation on  $R \subseteq S$  such that the ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is  $\star$ -Prüfer. We show that all the hypothesis of (Paudel & Tchamna, 2021a, Theorem 4.9) are satisfied. By Lemma 2.5, we have  $R = R^{\star} = \bigcap_{\mathfrak{p} \in \mathcal{P}(\star)} R_{\mathfrak{p}}^{\star} = \bigcap_{\mathfrak{p} \in \mathcal{P}(\star)} R_{\mathfrak{p}}$ . Furthermore, by hypothesis,  $R_{\mathfrak{p}} \subseteq S$  is Prüfer for each  $\mathfrak{p} \in \mathcal{P}(\star)$ . Therefore, by Lemma 1.1,  $(R_{\mathfrak{p}}, \mathfrak{p}_{\mathfrak{p}})$  is a Manis pair in S. It follows from the equivalency (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (4) of (Paudel & Tchamna, 2021a, Theorem 4.9) that  $R \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension if and only if  $R(X) \subseteq S(X)$  is a Prüfer extension.

**Proposition 2.7.** Let  $\star$  be a star operation on a ring extension  $R \subseteq S$ . If  $R \subseteq S$  is a  $\star$ -Prüfer extension, then each finitely generated S-regular  $\star$ -submodule of S is  $\star$ -invertible.

*Proof.* Suppose that  $R \subseteq S$  is a  $\star$ -Prüfer extension, and let A be an S-regular finitely generated R-submodule of S. Let  $\mathfrak{p}$  be a  $\star$ -prime ideal of R. By (Paudel & Tchamna, 2021b, Remark 2.1(1)),  $\mathfrak{p}_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$  is a prime ideal of  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$ . The ring extension  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]} \subseteq S$  is Prüfer since  $R \subseteq S$  is  $\star$ -Prüfer. If follows from Lemma 1.1 that the ring extension  $(R_{[\mathfrak{p}]})_{[\mathfrak{p}_{[\mathfrak{p}]}]} \subseteq S$  is Manis. But

by (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, Lemma 2.9, p. 28), we have  $(R_{[p]})_{[p_{[p]}]} = R_{[p]}$ . Hence the ring extension  $R_{[p]} \subseteq S$  is Manis. Thus  $R_p \subseteq S_p$  is a Manis extension (see comments in (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, p. 13) after the proof of (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, Proposition 1.3, p. 13)). It follows from (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, Remark 1.10(e), p. 90) that  $A_p[R_p :_{S_p} A_p] = R_p$ . Therefore, by (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, Lemma 1.1(c)), we have  $(A[R :_S A])_p = A_p[R :_S A]_p = R_p$  since A is finitely generated. It follows from Remark 1.2 that  $(A[R :_S A])_{[p]} = R_{[p]}$ . Thus  $((A[R :_S A])_{[p]})^* = (R_{[p]})^*$ . But by Lemma 2.4, we have  $(R_{[p]})^* = R_{[p]}$ . Thus  $((A[R :_S A])_{[p]})^* = R_{[p]}$ . Furthermore, by Lemma 2.5(2), we have  $((A[R :_S A])_{[p]})^* \subseteq ((A[R :_S A])_{[p]})^* \subseteq (R^*)_{[p]} = R_{[p]}$ . This shows that  $R_{[p]} = ((A[R :_S A])^*)_{[p]}$ . It follows from Lemma 2.5(1) that  $R = R^* = \bigcap_{p \in \mathcal{P}(*)} R_{[p]} = \bigcap_{p \in \mathcal{P}(*)} ((A[R :_S A])^*)_{[p]} = (A[R :_S A])^*$ . This shows that A is S-invertible.

**Proposition 2.8.** Let  $R \subseteq S$  be a ring extension, and let  $\star$  be a star operation on  $R \subseteq S$ . If  $R \subseteq S$  is a  $\star$ -Prüfer extension, then  $R \subseteq S$  is  $P \star ME$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is  $\star$ -Prüfer. Let  $\mathfrak{m}$  be a  $\star$ -maximal ideal. Then  $R_{[\mathfrak{m}]} \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension. It follows from Lemma 1.1 that the pair  $(R_{[\mathfrak{m}]}, \mathfrak{m}_{[\mathfrak{m}]})$  is Manis in S. This shows that the ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is  $P \star ME$ .  $\Box$ 

**Remark 2.9.** Let  $R \subseteq S$  be a ring extension, and let Q(R) be the total ring of fractions of the ring R. Let  $\star$  be a star operation on  $R \subseteq S$ . If  $Q(R) \subseteq S$ , then the notions of  $\star$ -Prüfer and P $\star$ ME coincide.

*Proof.* Suppose that the ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is P\*ME. Let p be a  $\star$ -prime ideal of R. Then  $(R_{[p]}, \mathfrak{p}_{[p]})$  is a Manis pair in S. Since  $Q(R) \subseteq S$ , it follows from (Paudel & Tchamna, 2018, Remark 3.3) that  $R_{[p]} \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension. This shows that the ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is  $\star$ -Prüfer. Furthermore, by the previous proposition, if  $R \subseteq S$  is  $\star$ -Prüfer, then  $R \subseteq S$  is  $\star$ -Prüfer and P $\star$ ME coincide when  $Q(R) \subseteq S$ .

It is worth noting that any Prüfer ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is also a  $\star$ -Prüfer extension for any star operation  $\star$  on  $R \subseteq S$ . In fact, if p is a  $\star$ -prime ideal of R, then  $R \subseteq R_{[p]} \subseteq S$ . So by (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, Corollary 5.3, P. 50), the extension  $R_{[p]} \subseteq S$  is Prüfer.

In Example 2.10, we construct a ring extension to show that there exist  $\star$ -Prüfer extensions which are not Prüfer extensions.

**Example 2.10.** Let *K* be a field, *X*, *Y* be two indeterminates over *K* and let R = K[X, Y] and S = K(X, Y). Then  $R \subseteq S$  is a *t*-Prüfer which is not Prüfer.

*Proof.* Note that *S* is the total ring of fractions of *R*. The ring *R* is a Krull domain which is a PvMD (El Baghdadi, Izelgue, & Tamoussit, 2020, Proposition 1.2 (*i*)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (*iii*)). It follows from Remark 2.9 that  $R \subseteq S$  is *t*-Prüfer. On the other hands, the extension  $R \subseteq S$  is not Prüfer. In fact, for  $\mathfrak{p} = (X, Y)K[X, Y]$ , the ring extension  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]} \subseteq S$  is not a Manis. Notice that in this case,  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]} = R_{\mathfrak{p}}$ . If  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$  was a Manis valuation, then  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$  will be a discrete valuation ring (DVR) since  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$  is a Noetherian ring. But we know that  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$  is not a DVR since  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$  has Krull dimension 2.

**Example 2.11.** Let *K* be a field, *X*, *Y* be two indeterminates over *K*, R = K[X, Y] and  $S = K[X, \frac{1}{X}, Y]$ . The extension  $R \subseteq S$  is  $\alpha$ -Prüfer, where  $\alpha$  the restriction of the star operation *t* on  $K[X, Y] \subseteq K(X, Y)$  to the ring extension  $R \subseteq S$ 

*Proof.* Let p be a prime ideal of R. With respect to the ring extension  $R \subseteq S$ , we have  $R_{[p]} = \{u \in K[X, \frac{1}{Y}, Y] : tu \in K[X, Y] \text{ for some } t \notin p\}$ 

We show that  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]} = R_{\mathfrak{p}}$ . Let  $u \in R_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$  and  $t \in R \setminus \mathfrak{p}$  such that  $tu \in R$ . Then tu = a for some  $a \in R$ . Thus  $u = \frac{a}{t} \in K(X, Y)$ . It follows that  $u \in R_p$ . Hence  $R_{[p]} \subseteq R_p$ . On the other hand, if  $v \in R_p$ , then  $v = \frac{b}{s}$  with  $b \in R$  and  $s \in R \setminus p$ . Hence  $sv = b \in R$ . It follows that  $v \in R$ 

In Example 2.12, we construct a ring extension to show that there exist  $\star$ -Prüfer extensions which are not Manis extensions.

**Example 2.12.** Let *K* be a field, and let *X*, *Y* be two indeterminates over *K*. Let *b* be a nonzero element of *K* and let  $V_1 = (X)K[X, Y]_{(X)} + K[Y]_{(Y)}, V_2 = (X)K[X, Y]_{(X)} + K[Y]_{(b+Y)}, R = V_1 \cap V_2$ . Then the ring extension  $R \subseteq K(X, Y)$  is  $\star$ -Prüfer for each star operation  $\star$  on  $R \subseteq K(X, Y)$ . Furthermore, the ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is not Manis.

*Proof.* Let S = K(X, Y). The ring R is not a local ring since it has two maximal ideals (see (Paudel & Tchamna, 2023, Example 3.2)). It follows that  $R \subseteq R_{[p]} \subseteq S$  for each  $\star$ -prime ideal p of R. Furthermore, by the definition of a maximal non-Manis extension ((Paudel & Tchamna, 2023, Definition 2.1)), the ring extension  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]} \subseteq S$  is Manis. But in this case,  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]} = R_{\mathfrak{p}}$  is a local ring. It follows from (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, Scholium 10.4, p. 147), that the ring extension is Prüfer. This shows that for each  $\star$ -prime ideal  $\mathfrak{p}, R_{[\mathfrak{p}]} \subseteq S$  is Prüfer extension. Thus, the ring extension  $R \subseteq K(X, Y)$  is ★-Prüfer.

In Example 2.13, we give an example of a ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  which is never  $\star$ -Prüfer for any star operation  $\star$  on  $R \subseteq S$ . Recall that a ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is called *maximal non-Prüfer extension* if  $R \subseteq S$  is not a Prüfer extension and  $T \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension for any intermediate ring T between R and S.

**Example 2.13.** Let  $\mathbb{C}$  be the field of complex,  $\mathbb{R}$  be the field of real numbers. Let  $R = \mathbb{R} + X\mathbb{C}[[X]]$ , S the total ring of fractions of R. Then the ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is not  $\star$ -Prüfer for any star operation  $\star$  on  $R \subseteq S$ .

*Proof.* By (JABALLAH, 2012, Example 34), R is a pseudo-valuation domain (see Hedstrom and Houston (1978) for the definition and some properties of a pseudo-valuation domain), and the ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is maximal non-Prüfer. Furthermore, by (JABALLAH, 2012, Theorem 5), the ring R as a unique maximal ideal M. It follows from (Hedstrom & Houston, 1978, Theorem 2.10),  $M^{-1}$  is a valuation overring with maximal ideal M.

Let v be the classical "v-operation" on the domain R (i.e.  $I^{v} = (I^{-1})^{-1}$  for each fractional ideal of R). We show that M is a *v*-ideal. By contradiction, suppose that *M* is not *v*-ideal. We have  $M \subseteq M^v \subseteq R$ . Then by the maximality of *M*, we have  $M^{\nu} = R$ . It follows from (Tchamna, 2020, Lemma 2.5(2)) that  $M^{-1} = R$ . This is a contradiction since by the previous paragraph  $M^{-1}$  is an overring of R. This shows that M is a v-ideal.

Let  $\star$  be a star operation on the ring extension  $R \subseteq S$ . By (Knebusch & Kaiser, 2014, Proposition 3.6(c), p. 141), we have  $M \subseteq M^* \subseteq M^v = M$ . This shows that M is a  $\star$ -ideal of R.

Furthermore,  $R = R_{[M]} = R_M$ . But by the definition of a maximal non-Prüfer, the extension  $R = R_{[M]} \subseteq S$  is not Prüfer. Therefore, the ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is not  $\star$ -Prüfer.

**Proposition 2.14.** Let  $R \subseteq S$  be a ring extension, and let  $\Psi: S \longrightarrow T$  be a surjective ring homomorphism. If the ring extension  $\Psi(R) \subseteq \Psi(S)$  is Manis and ker  $\Psi \subseteq R$ , then  $R \subseteq S$  is a Manis extension.

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\Psi(R) \subseteq \Psi(S)$  is a Manis extension. Then there exists a Manis valuation  $v : \Psi(S) \longrightarrow \Gamma \cup \{\infty\}$  such that  $\Psi(R) = \{t \in \Psi(S) : v(t) \ge 0\}$  and  $v(\Psi(S)) = \Gamma_v \cup \{\infty\}$ . Define the map  $v': S \longrightarrow \Gamma \cup \{\infty\}$  by  $v'(x) = v(\Psi(x))$  for each that  $\Gamma(X) = \{i \in \Gamma(S)\}, \forall (i) \geq 0\}$  and  $\forall (\Gamma(S)) = \Gamma_{V} \otimes \{\infty\}$ . Define the map  $V : S = V \cap C(X)$   $x \in S$ . Then for two elements x, y of S, we have: (i)  $v'(x + y) = v(\Psi(x + y)) = v(\Psi(x) + \Psi(y)) \geq \min(v(\Psi(x)), v(\Psi(y))) = \min(v'(x), v'(y)).$ (ii)  $v'(xy) = v(\Psi(xy)) = v(\Psi(x)\Psi(y)) = v(\Psi(x)) + v(\Psi(y)) = v'(x) + v'(y).$ (iii)  $v'(1) = v(\Psi(1)) = v(1) = 0$  and  $v'(0) = v(\Psi(0)) = v(0) = \infty$ .

This shows that v' is a valuation map. Furthermore,  $v'(S) = v(\Psi(S)) = \Gamma_v \cup \{\infty\}$ .

Let  $\alpha \in \Gamma_{\nu'}$ . Since  $\Gamma_{\nu'}$  is the (additive) subgroup of  $\Gamma$  generated by  $\nu'(S) \setminus \{\infty\}$ , we have  $\alpha = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \nu'(x_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \nu(\varphi(x_i)) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \nu(\varphi(x_i$ 

 $i \leq \ell. \text{ Write } y_i = \Psi(x_i) \text{ with } x_i \in S \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \ell. \text{ Then } \beta = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} v(\Psi(x_i)) = v\left(\prod_{i=1}^{\ell} \Psi(x_i)\right) = v\left(\Psi\left(\prod_{i=1}^{\ell} x_i\right)\right) = v'\left(\prod_{i=1}^{\ell} x_i\right) \in \Gamma_{v'}.$ This shows that  $\Gamma_v \subseteq \Gamma_{v'}$ . Hence  $\Gamma_v = \Gamma_{v'}$ . Therefore  $v'(S) = v(\Psi(S)) = \Gamma_v \cup \{\infty\} = \Gamma_{v'} \cup \{\infty\}.$  It follows that v' is a Manis valuation

valuation.

Let  $x \in R$ . Then  $\Psi(x) \in \Psi(R)$ . Hence  $v'(x) = v(\Psi(x)) \ge 0$ . On the other hand, let  $s \in S$  such that  $v'(s) \ge 0$ . Then  $v(\Psi(s)) \ge 0$ . Thus  $\Psi(s) \in \Psi(R)$ . Therefore,  $\Psi(s) = \Psi(r)$  for some  $r \in R$ . Hence  $s - r \in \ker \Psi \subseteq R$ . It follows that  $s \in R$ . This shows that  $R = \{x \in S : v'(x) \ge 0\}$ . Thus the extension  $R \subseteq S$  is Manis.

**Lemma 2.15.** Let  $R \subseteq S$  and  $L \subseteq T$  be two ring extensions, and consider the following commutative diagram with ker  $\Psi \subseteq \text{Nil}(R)$ , where Nil(R) is the intersection of the prime ideals,  $\Psi$  is surjective and  $\alpha$  is the restriction of  $\Psi$  to R.



If  $\mathfrak{p}$  is a prime ideal of R, then  $\Psi(R)_{[\Psi(\mathfrak{p})]} = \Psi(R_{[\mathfrak{p}]})$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\mathfrak{p}$  be a prime ideal of R. Since  $\Psi$  is surjective and ker  $\Psi \subseteq \operatorname{Nil}(R) \subseteq \mathfrak{p}$ ,  $\Psi(\mathfrak{p})$  is a prime ideal of  $\Psi(R)$ . Let  $y = \Psi(x) \in \Psi(R)_{[\Psi(\mathfrak{p})]}$  with  $x \in S$ . There exists  $u \in \Psi(R) \setminus \Psi(\mathfrak{p})$  such that  $uy \in \Psi(R)$ . Let  $t \in R$  such that  $u = \Psi(t)$ . Then  $t \in R \setminus \mathfrak{p}$ ; otherwise we will have  $u = \Psi(t) \in \Psi(\mathfrak{p})$ . Which is a contradiction. Furthermore,  $uy \in \Psi(R)$  implies that  $\Psi(t)\Psi(x) = \Psi(r)$  for some  $r \in R$ . Thus  $tx - r \in \operatorname{Ker} \Psi \subseteq R$ . Hence  $tx \in R$ . It follows that  $x \in R_{[\mathfrak{p}]}$ . Therefore,  $y = \Psi(x) \in \Psi(R_{[\mathfrak{p}]})$ . This shows that  $\Psi(R)_{[\Psi(\mathfrak{p})]} \subseteq \Psi(R_{[\mathfrak{p}]})$ .

On the other hand, if  $y \in \Psi(R_{[p]})$ , then there exists  $x \in R_{[p]}$  such that  $y = \Psi(x)$ . Let  $t \in R \setminus p$  such that  $tx \in R$ . Then  $\Psi(t)\Psi(x) \in \Psi(R)$ . By contradiction, if  $\Psi(t) \in \Psi(p)$ , then there exists  $s \in p$  such that  $t - s \in \ker \Psi \subseteq \operatorname{Nil}(R) \subseteq p$ . So,  $t \in p$ . Which is a contradiction to the choice of p. Thus  $\Psi(p) \in \Psi(R) \setminus \Psi(p)$ . This shows that  $y = \Psi(x) \in \Psi(R)_{[\Psi(p)]}$ . Hence  $\Psi(R_{[p]} \subseteq \Psi(R)_{[\Psi(p)]}$ . This shows that  $\Psi(R_{[p]} = \Psi(R)_{[\Psi(p)]}$ .

**Theorem 2.16.** Consider the commutative diagram in Lemma 2.15. Let  $\star$  be a star operation of finite type on  $R \subseteq S$ , and let  $\star'$  be a star operation of finite type on  $L \subseteq T$  such that  $\Psi(A)^{\star'} = \Psi(A^{\star})$  for each *R*-submodule *A* of *S*. If the ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is  $\star$ -Prüfer, then the ring extension  $L \subseteq T$  is  $\star'$ -Prüfer.

*Proof.* Suppose that the ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is  $\star$ -Prüfer. Let  $\mathfrak{q}$  be a  $\star'$ -maximal ideal of L, and let  $\mathfrak{p} = \Psi^{-1}(\mathfrak{q})$ . Then  $\mathfrak{q} = \Psi(\mathfrak{p})$  since  $\Psi$  is surjective. We have  $\mathfrak{q} = \mathfrak{q}^{\star'} = \Psi(\mathfrak{p})^{\star'} = \Psi(\mathfrak{p}^{\star})$ . Hence  $\mathfrak{p}^{\star} \subseteq \Psi^{-1}(\mathfrak{q}) = \mathfrak{p}$ . It follows that  $\mathfrak{p}^{\star} = \mathfrak{p}$  since the inclusion  $\mathfrak{p} \subseteq \mathfrak{p}^{\star}$  is always true. Furthermore, if  $x, y \in R$  such that  $xy \in \mathfrak{p}$ , then  $\Psi(xy) \in \mathfrak{q}$ . Thus  $\Psi(x) \in \mathfrak{q}$  or  $\Psi(y) \in \mathfrak{q}$  since  $\mathfrak{q}$  is maximal (hence a prime ideal). Therefore,  $x \in \Psi^{-1}(\mathfrak{q}) = \mathfrak{p}$  or  $y \in \Psi^{-1}(\mathfrak{q}) = \mathfrak{p}$ . This shows that  $\mathfrak{p}$  is a  $\star$ -prime ideal of R.

The ring extension  $R_{[p]} \subseteq S$  is Prüfer since by hypothesis, the ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is  $\star$ -Prüfer. Therefore, by (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, Proposition 5.7, p. 51) and the fact that  $\Psi$  is surjective, the ring extension  $\Psi(R_{[p]}) \subseteq T$  is Prüfer. It follows that  $L_{[q]} \subseteq T$  is a Prüfer extension. This shows that the ring extension  $L \subseteq T$  is  $\star'$ -Prüfer.

**Remark 2.17.** A question worth investigating is the converse of the statement of Theorem 2.16. In other words, with the same hypothesis as in Theorem 2.16, when the ring extension  $L \subseteq T$  is  $\star'$ -Prüfer, is the ring extension  $R \subseteq S \star$ -Prüfer? This remains an open question. However, in the next theorem, we prove that the ring extension  $L \subseteq T$  is  $\star'$ -Prüfer when  $R \subseteq S$  is  $P\star$ ME.

**Theorem 2.18.** With the same hypothesis as in Theorem 2.16, if the ring extension  $L \subseteq T$  is  $\star'$ -Prüfer, then the ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is  $P \star ME$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that the ring extension  $L \subseteq T$  is  $\star'$ -Prüfer. Let m be a  $\star$ -maximal ideal of R. Observe that  $\Psi(\mathfrak{m})^{\star'} = \Psi(\mathfrak{m}^{\star}) = \Psi(\mathfrak{m})$ . So,  $\Psi(\mathfrak{m})$  is a  $\star'$ -ideal of L. Let n be a  $\star'$ -maximal ideal of L containing  $\Psi(\mathfrak{m})$ , and let  $\mathfrak{p} = \Psi^{-1}(\mathfrak{n})$ . Then  $\mathfrak{m} \subseteq \mathfrak{p}$  since  $\Psi(\mathfrak{m}) \subseteq \Psi(\mathfrak{p}) = \mathfrak{n}$ . It follows from the maximality of  $\mathfrak{m}$  that  $\mathfrak{m} = \mathfrak{p}$  or  $\mathfrak{p} = R$ . By contradiction, suppose that  $\mathfrak{p} = R$ . Then  $\Psi(\mathfrak{p}) = \Psi(R)$ . Thus  $\mathfrak{n} = L$ . Which is a contradiction since  $\mathfrak{n}$  is a proper ideal of L. Hence  $\mathfrak{m} = \mathfrak{p}$ , and we have  $\Psi(\mathfrak{m}) = \Psi(\mathfrak{p}) = \mathfrak{n}$ . This shows that  $\Psi(\mathfrak{m})$  is a  $\star'$ -maximal ideal of L. It follows from the hypothesis that the ring extension  $L_{[\Psi(\mathfrak{m})]} \subseteq T$  is Prüfer. Hence, by Lemma 1.1,  $L_{[\Psi(\mathfrak{m})]} \subseteq T$  is a Manis extension. But by Remark 2.15, we have  $L_{[\Psi(\mathfrak{m})]} = \Psi(R)_{[\Psi(\mathfrak{m})]}$ . Hence the extension  $\Psi(R_{[\mathfrak{m}]}) \subseteq \Psi(S)$  is Manis. It follows from Proposition 2.14 that  $R_{[\mathfrak{m}]} \subseteq S$  is a Manis extension. This shows that  $R \subseteq S$  is P $\star$ ME.

**Lemma 2.19.** Let  $R \subseteq S$  be a ring extension, and let X be an indeterminate over S. If  $R[X] \subseteq S[X]$  is a Prüfer extension, then  $R \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension.

*Proof.* Suppose that  $R[X] \subseteq S[X]$  is a Prüfer extension. Let *B* be an *S*-overring of *R*, and let  $a \in B$ . Then by (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, Theorem 5.2, p. 47), we have  $(R[X] :_{S[X]} ax) B[X] = B[X]$ . But by (Tchamna, 2020, Lemma 2.5 (3)), we have  $(R[X] :_{S[X]} ax) = (R :_S a) R[X]$ . Therefore  $(R :_S a) B[X] = B[X]$ . Thus  $(R :_S a) B = B$ . It follows from (Knebusch & Zhang, 2002, Theorem 5.2, p. 47) that  $R \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension.

**Proposition 2.20.** Let  $R \subseteq S$  be a ring extension, and let X be an indeterminate over S. Let  $\star_1$  be a star operation on  $R \subseteq S$ , and let  $\star_2$  be a star operation on  $R[X] \subseteq S[X]$  such that  $A^{\star_1}R[X] = (AR[X])^{\star_2}$  for each R-submodule A of S. If  $R[X] \subseteq S[X]$  is a  $\star_2$ -Prüfer extension, then the extension  $R \subseteq S$  is  $\star_1$ -Prüfer.

*Proof.* Suppose that  $R[X] \subseteq S[X]$  is a  $\star_2$ -Prüfer extension. Let  $\mathfrak{p}$  be a  $\star_1$ -prime ideal of R. Then  $\mathfrak{p}R[X]$  is a prime ideal of R[X], since  $(R/\mathfrak{p})[X]$  is isomorphic to  $R[X]/\mathfrak{p}R[X]$ . Furthermore we have  $(\mathfrak{p}R[X])^{\star_2} = \mathfrak{p}^{\star_1}R[X] = \mathfrak{p}R[X]$ . This shows that  $\mathfrak{p}R[X]$  is a  $\star_2$ -prime ideal of R[X]. Therefore, by hypothesis, the ring extension  $(R[X])_{[\mathfrak{p}R[X]]} \subseteq S[X]$  is Prüfer. But by (Paudel & Tchanna, 2021b, Lemma 2.6), we have  $(R[X])_{[\mathfrak{p}R[X]]} = R_{[\mathfrak{p}]}[X]$ . Hence  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]}[X] \subseteq S[X]$  is a Prüfer extension. It follows from Lemma 2.19 that  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]} \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension. This shows that  $R \subseteq S$  is  $\star_1$ -Prüfer extension.

In Proposition 2.21, we give some conditions under which the converse of the statement of Proposition 2.20 is true. More precisely, we study conditions under which the ring extension  $R[X] \subseteq S[X]$  is  $\star_2$ -Prüfer when  $R \subseteq S$  is a  $\star_1$ -Prüfer extension, where  $\star_1$  and  $\star_2$  are star operations on  $R \subseteq S$  and  $R[X \subseteq S[X]$  respectively, and X an indeterminate over S. We consider a ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  for which  $(R[X] :_{S[X]} Q) \neq R[X]$  for each proper ideal Q of R[X]. An example of such ring extensions is given in (Tchamna, 2020, Example 3.10).

**Proposition 2.21.** Let  $R \subseteq S$  be a tight ring extension for which  $(R[X] :_{S[X]} Q) \neq R[X]$  for each proper ideal Q of R[X], where X is an indeterminate over S. Let  $\star_1$  be a star operation on  $R \subseteq S$ , and let  $\star_2$  be a star operation on  $R[X] \subseteq S[X]$  such that  $A^{\star_1}R[X] = (AR[X])^{\star_2}$ . If the ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is  $\star_1$ -Prüfer, then the ring extension  $R[X] \subseteq S[X]$  is a weak  $P \star_2 ME$ .

*Proof.* Let q be an S[X]-regular  $\star_2$ -maximal ideal of R[X], and let  $\mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{q} \cap R$ . There exist  $f_1, \ldots, f_\ell \in \mathfrak{q}$  and  $g_1, \ldots, g_\ell \in \mathfrak{q}$ 

S[X] such that  $1 = \sum_{k=1}^{c} f_i g_i$ . Since  $R \subseteq S$  is a tight extension, there exists an S-invertible ideal  $I_i$  of R such that  $g_i I_i \subseteq R[X]$ 

for each *i* with  $1 \le i \le \ell$ . The ideal  $I = \prod_{k=1}^{\ell} I_i$  is *S*-invertible, and for  $1 \le i \le \ell$ , we have  $g_i I \in R[X]$ . Furthermore,  $I \ne 0$ 

since *I* is *S*-invertible. Let  $0 \neq r \in I$ . Then  $r = \sum_{k=1}^{\ell} f_i(rg_i) \in q \cap R = \mathfrak{p}$ . It follows from (Tchamna, 2020, Lemma 3.9) that  $\mathfrak{p}$  is a  $\star_1$ -maximal ideal of *R* such that  $\mathfrak{q} = \mathfrak{p}R[X]$ . Furthermore, by hypothesis, the extension  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]} \subseteq S$  is Prüfer. Therefore, by Lemma 1.1,  $(R_{[\mathfrak{p}]}, \mathfrak{p}_{[\mathfrak{p}]})$  is a Manis pair in *S*. Thus  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]}[X] \subseteq S[X]$  is a Manis extension (Paudel & Tchamna, 2018, Remark 2.11). But by (Paudel & Tchamna, 2021b, Lemma 2.6), we have  $R_{[\mathfrak{p}]}[X] = (R[X])_{[\mathfrak{p}R[X]]} = (R[X])_{[\mathfrak{q}]}$ . Therefore,  $(R[X])_{[\mathfrak{q}]} \subseteq S[X]$  is a Manis extension. It follows that  $R[X] \subseteq S[X]$  is  $\mathfrak{p} \star_2 ME$ .

**Lemma 2.22.** ((*Paudel & Tchamna, 2021b, Lemma 2.6*)) Let  $R \subseteq S$  be a ring extension, and let T be a multiplicatively closed subset of R.

- (1)  $R[X]_{[T[X]]} = R_{[T]}[X]$ , where X is an indeterminate over S.
- (2) If N is a multiplicatively closed subset of R such that  $N \subseteq T$ , and A is an R-submodule of S, then  $T_{[N]}$  is a multiplicatively closed subset of  $R_{[N]}$  and  $(A_{[N]})_{[T_{[N]}]} = A_{[T]}$ .

**Lemma 2.23.** ((Paudel & Tchamna, 2021b, Proposition 3.4)) Let  $\star_1$  be a star operation of finite type on a ring extension  $R \subseteq S$ , and let  $\star_2$  be a star operation of finite type on  $R[X] \subseteq S[X]$ , where X is an indeterminate over S. Let T be a multiplicatively closed subset of R[X]. If I is an ideal of R such that  $I^{\star_1}R[X] = (IR[X])^{\star_2}$ , then  $(I^{\star_1}[X])_{[T]} = (I[X]_{[T]})^{\star_2}$ .

For a star operation  $\star$  on a ring extension  $R \subseteq S$ , consider the set

$$N(\star) = \left\{ f \in R[X] : c_R(f)^\star = R^\star \right\}$$

where X is an indeterminate over S and  $c_R(f)$  is the ideal of R generated by the coefficient of f. Proprieties of  $N(\star)$  have been studied in Paudel and Tchamna (2021b). In particular, it was shown that  $N(\star)$  is a multiplicatively closed subset of R[X] (Paudel & Tchamna, 2021b, Lemma 3.5).

**Theorem 2.24.** Let  $R \subseteq S$  be a ring extension, and let X be an indeterminate over S. Let  $\star_1$  be a star operation on  $R \subseteq S$  and  $\star_2$  a star operation on  $R[X] \subseteq S[X]$  such that  $A^{\star_1}R[X] = (AR[X])^{\star_2}$  for each R-submodule A of S. If  $R[X]_{[N(\star_1)]} \subseteq S[X]$  is a  $\star_2$ -Prüfer extension, then  $R \subseteq S$  is a  $\star_1$ -Prüfer extension.

*Proof.* Let m be a  $\star_1$ -maximal ideal of *R*. By assumption on  $\star_2$ , we have  $(\mathfrak{m}R[X])^{\star_2} = \mathfrak{m}R[X]$ . It follows from Lemma 2.23 that  $\mathfrak{m}R[X]_{[N(\star_1)]}$  is a  $\star_2$ -ideal of  $R[X]_{[N(\star_1)]}$ . Furthermore,  $\mathfrak{m}R[X]_{[N(\star_1)]}$  is a prime ideal of  $R[X]_{N(\star_1)}$  since  $\mathfrak{m}R[X]$  is a prime ideal of R[X] (Paudel & Tchanna, 2021b, Proposition 3.7(2)). It follows from the hypothesis that the ring extension  $(R[X]_{[N(\star_1)]})_{[\mathfrak{m}R[X]_{[N(\star_1)]}]} \subseteq S[X]$  is a Prüfer. But by Lemma 2.22, we have

$$(R[X]_{[N(\star_1)]})_{[\mathfrak{m}R[X]_{[N(\star_1)]}]} = R[X]_{[\mathfrak{m}R[X]]} = R_{[\mathfrak{m}]}[X].$$

So, the ring extension  $R_{[m]}[X] \subseteq S[X]$  is Prüfer. It follows from Lemma 2.19 that  $R_{[m]} \subseteq S$  is a Prüfer extension. This shows that ring extension  $R \subseteq S$  is  $\star_1$ -Prüfer.

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