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ON RADICAL FORMULA AND PRÜFER DOMAINS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we characterize the radical of an arbitrary submodule N of a finitely generated free module F over a commutative ring R with identity. Also we study submodules of F which satisfy the radical formula. Finally we derive necessary and sufficient conditions for R to be a Prüfer domain, in terms of the radical of a cyclic submodule in $R \oplus R$.

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1. Introduction

Throughout this paper all rings are commutative with identity and all modules are unitary. A proper submodule P of an R -module M is called a p -prime submodule, if $rm \in P$ for $r \in R$ and $m \in M$ implies $m \in P$ or $r \in p = (P : M)$, where $(P : M) = \{r \in R \mid rM \subseteq P\}$. Let I be an ideal of R . The radical, \sqrt{I} , is defined to be the intersection of all prime ideals of R containing I . We denote the radical of I by \sqrt{I} . Let X be a subset of an R -module M . We denote the submodule of M that X generates, by $\langle X \rangle$ or RX . The prime radical, $Rad_M T$, of a submodule T in an R -module M is defined to be the intersection of all prime submodules of M containing T . If there is no prime submodule containing T , then $Rad_M T = M$. In particular $Rad_M M = M$. We use the notation $R^{(n)}$ for $\underbrace{R \oplus \cdots \oplus R}_{n\text{-times}}$ and $I^{(n)}$ for $\underbrace{I \oplus \cdots \oplus I}_{n\text{-times}}$, where I is an ideal of R .

Let M be an R -module and T be a submodule of M . The envelope of T in M is defined to be the set

$$E_M(T) = \{rm \mid r \in R, m \in M; r^n m \in T, \text{ for some } n \in \mathbf{Z}^+\}.$$

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We say that the submodule T of an R -module M satisfies the radical formula in M (T s.t.r.f. in M) if $Rad_M T = \langle E_M(T) \rangle$. An R -module M s.t.r.f. if for every submodule T of M , the prime radical of T is the submodule generated by its envelope, i.e. $Rad_M T = \langle E_M(T) \rangle$. A ring R s.t.r.f. provided that for every R module M , M s.t.r.f. The question of what kind of rings and modules s.t.r.f. has studied by many authors, see [1, 3, 6, 7, 10].

In [1], Azizi has shown that every arithmetical ring with $dim R \leq 1$ satisfies the radical formula. In [9], Parkash proved that every arithmetical ring satisfies the radical formula and Buyruk and Pusat Yilmaz in [2], proved that if R is a Prüfer domain, then the free R -module $R^{(2)}$ satisfies the radical formula.

In [11] Pusat-Yilmaz and Smith have described $Rad_F(T)$, where T is a finitely generated submodule of a free R -module $F = R^{(n)}$. In this paper we generalize this characterization for an arbitrary submodule N of F and we characterize some submodules of F satisfying the radical formula. Finally we apply this characterization on the radical of a cyclic submodule of $R^{(2)}$ to give necessary and sufficient conditions for an integral domain R to be a Prüfer domain.

2. Radical of a submodule and radical formula

Let $X_i = (x_{i1}, \dots, x_{in}) \in F = R^{(n)}$, for some $x_{ij} \in R$, $1 \leq i \leq m$, $1 \leq j \leq n$, $m \leq n$. We put

$$B_{m \times n} = [X_1 \dots X_m] = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1n} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \dots & x_{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ x_{m1} & x_{m2} & \dots & x_{mn} \end{pmatrix} \in M_{m \times n}(R).$$

Thus the j th row of the matrix $[X_1 \dots X_m]$ consists of the components of element X_j in F . We use $B(j_1, \dots, j_k) \in M_{m \times k}(R)$ to denote the submatrix of B consisting of the columns $j_1, \dots, j_k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ and

$$[X_1 \dots X_m]_m = \sum_{j_1, \dots, j_m \in \{1, \dots, n\}} Rdet B(j_1, \dots, j_m)$$

the ideal generated by $\{\det B(j_1, \dots, j_m) \mid j_1, \dots, j_m \in \{1, \dots, n\}\}$. We use N to be a non-zero submodule of F generated by the set $\Psi = \{X_i = (x_{i1}, \dots, x_{in}) \in F \mid i \in \Omega\}$. We put $\mathfrak{R}_t = \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_t \in \Omega} R[X_{i_1} \dots X_{i_t}]_t$, $1 \leq t \leq n$. Note that

$$\mathfrak{R}_1 \supseteq \mathfrak{R}_2 \supseteq \dots \supseteq \mathfrak{R}_n = \mathfrak{R}.$$

We first state two useful results.

Lemma 2.1. *Let F be the free R -module $R^{(n)}$. Then $\mathfrak{R} \subseteq (N : F) \subseteq \sqrt{\mathfrak{R}}$.*

Proof. [8], Lemma 1.1. □

The following lemma is proved in [8], Lemma 1.5. But we give the proof of part (ii) of this lemma, because we use this proof in Proposition 2.5.

Lemma 2.2. *Let F be the free R -module $R^{(n)}$, p be a prime ideal of R and $B = [X_1 \dots X_k] \in M_{k \times n}(R)$ for some $X_i \in F$, $1 \leq i \leq k$ and positive integer $k < n$. Put*

$T_p(B) = \{X = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in F \mid \det\beta(i_1, \dots, i_{k+1}) \in p, \text{ for every } i_1, \dots, i_{k+1} \in \{1, \dots, n\}\}$, where $\beta = [X \ X_1 \dots X_k] \in M_{k+1 \times n}(R)$. Then

i) $T_p(B)$ is a submodule of F .

ii) If $X = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in T_p(B)$, then $\det(B(i_1, \dots, i_k))X \in pF + \langle B \rangle$ for all submatrices $B(i_1, \dots, i_k)$ of B , where $\langle B \rangle$ is the R -submodule of F generated by the rows of B . (Note that in this part, the ideal p is not necessarily prime.)

iii) If the determinant of every submatrix $k \times k$ of B is in p , then $T_p(B) = F$.

iv) If there exists a submatrix $B(j_1, \dots, j_k) \in M_{k \times k}(R)$ of B such that $\det(B(j_1, \dots, j_k)) \notin p$, then $T_p(B)$ is a p -prime submodule of F .

Proof. ii) Let $X = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in T_p(B)$ and $B(j_1, \dots, j_k) \in M_{k \times k}(R)$ be a submatrix of B . Without loss of generality, assume that $j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_k$. Since $\det\beta(i_1, \dots, i_{k+1}) \in p$ for every $i_1, \dots, i_{k+1} \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, there exists $p_t \in p$ such that

$$x_t \det B(j_1, \dots, j_k) = p_t + \sum_{i=1}^k (-1)^{i+1} x_{j_i} \det B(t, j_1, \dots, j_{i-1}, j_{i+1}, \dots, j_k)$$

for every $1 \leq t \leq n$, $t \neq j_i$, $1 \leq i \leq k$. It follows that $\det(B(j_1, \dots, j_k))(x_1, \dots, x_n) = X_p + \sum_{i=1}^k Y_i$, for some $X_p \in p^{(n)}$ and $Y_i = (y_{i1}, \dots, y_{in}) \in F$, $1 \leq i \leq k$.

We fix $1 \leq i \leq k$. Then $y_{it} = (-1)^{i+1} x_{j_i} \det B(t, j_1, \dots, j_{i-1}, j_{i+1}, \dots, j_k)$, $1 \leq t \leq n$, $t \neq j_1, \dots, j_k$ and $y_{ij_i} = x_{j_i} \det B(j_1, \dots, j_k)$ and $y_{ij_s} = 0$, $1 \leq s \leq k$,

$s \neq i$. Therefore $y_{it} = \sum_{m=1}^k (-1)^{m+i} x_{mj_i} x_{j_i} \det[B(t, j_1, \dots, j_{i-1}, j_{i+1}, \dots, j_k)]_{mi}$,

$1 \leq t \leq n$, $t \neq j_1, \dots, j_k$ and $y_{ij_i} = \sum_{m=1}^k (-1)^{m+i} x_{mj_i} x_{j_i} \det[B(j_1, \dots, j_k)]_{mi}$.

Also $y_{ij_s} = \sum_{m=1}^k (-1)^{m+i} x_{mj_s} x_{j_i} \det[B(j_1, \dots, j_{i-1}, j_s, j_{i+1}, \dots, j_k)]_{mi} = 0$, $1 \leq$

$s \leq k$, $s \neq i$. So $Y_i = \sum_{m=1}^k x_{j_i} (-1)^{m+i} \det[B(j_1, \dots, j_k)]_{mi} X_m$ and hence

$Y_i \in \langle B \rangle$, $1 \leq i \leq k$. Thus $\det B(j_1, \dots, j_k)(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in pF + \langle B \rangle$. \square

Let M be an R -module, p be a prime ideal of R and T be a submodule of M . In [11] Pusat-Yilmaz and Smith defined the submodule $K(T, p) = \{m \in M \mid cm \in T + pM, \text{ for } c \in R \setminus p\}$. They showed that this is the smallest p -prime submodule of M containing T and so $Rad_M T = \cap \{K(T, p) : p \text{ is a prime ideal of } R\}$.

Lemma 2.3. *Let F be the free R -module $R^{(n)}$ and p be a prime ideal of R . Then*

- i) If $(N : F) \not\subseteq p$, then $K(N, p) = F$.*
- ii) If $\mathfrak{R}_1 \subseteq p$, then $K(N, p) = p^{(n)}$.*
- iii) If $\mathfrak{R}_1 \not\subseteq p$, then there exists a positive integer $k < n$ and a matrix $B_{k \times n} = [X_1 \dots X_k] \in M_{k \times n}(R)$, $X_i \in \Psi$, $1 \leq i \leq k$ such that $K(N, p) = T_p(B)$, where $T_p(B)$ is the p -prime submodule in Lemma 2.2.*

Proof. i) Let p be a prime ideal of R . Assume $(N : F)$ is not contained in p and $c \in (N : F) \setminus p$. Then $cF \subseteq N$ and so $F \subseteq K(N, p)$.

ii) Let $\mathfrak{R}_1 \subseteq p$. Then pF contains N and since pF is a p -prime submodule of F , we get that $K(N, p) = p^{(n)}$.

iii) Let \mathfrak{R}_1 is not contained in p . Suppose that ξ is the set of all positive integers m such that there exists a matrix $B_{m \times n} = [X_1 \dots X_m] \in M_{m \times n}(R)$, for some $X_i \in \Psi$ ($1 \leq i \leq m$) and a submatrix $B(j_1, \dots, j_m)$ such that $\det B(j_1, \dots, j_m) \notin p$, for some $j_1, \dots, j_m \in \{1, \dots, n\}$. Since $\Psi \not\subseteq p^{(n)}$, hence $1 \in \xi \neq \emptyset$. Let $k = \max(\xi)$, by Lemma 2.1, we have $k < n$.

Let $B_{k \times n} = [X_1 \dots X_k] \in M_{k \times n}(R)$ such that $\det B(j_1, \dots, j_k) \notin p$, for some $j_1, \dots, j_k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$. Then by Lemma 2.2(iv), we have $T_p(B)$ is a p -prime submodule of F . It is clear that $N \subseteq T_p(B)$ and by Lemma 2.2(ii), $T_p(B) \subseteq K(N, p)$. □

The Theorem 2.4, is a generalization of Theorem 1.5 in [11].

Theorem 2.4. *Let F be the free R -module $R^{(n)}$ and $N = \langle \Psi \rangle$. Then $Rad_F N = \{X = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_1}F \mid [X \ X_{i_1} \dots X_{i_{k-1}}]_k \subseteq \sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_k}, \text{ for every } i_1, \dots, i_{k-1} \in \Omega, 2 \leq k \leq n\}$, where $\mathfrak{R}_k = \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_k \in \Omega} R[X_{i_1} \dots X_{i_k}]_k$ and $[X \ X_{i_1} \dots X_{i_{k-1}}]_k =$*

$$\sum_{\substack{j_1, \dots, j_k \in \{1, \dots, n\} \\ B = [X \ X_{i_1} \dots X_{i_{k-1}}]}}$$

Proof. Let ξ be the set of prime ideals of R containing $(N : F)$. Then by Lemma 2.3 (ii), $\sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_1}F = \bigcap_{\mathfrak{R}_1 \subseteq p \in \xi} K(N, p)$ and so we get $Rad_F N = \bigcap_{p \in \xi} K(N, p) =$

$$\sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_1}F \cap \left[\bigcap_{\substack{\mathfrak{R}_1 \not\subseteq p \in \xi}} K(N, p) \right].$$

Let $\Delta = \{X = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_1}F \mid [X \ X_{i_1} \dots X_{i_{k-1}}]_k \subseteq \sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_k}, \text{ for every } i_1, \dots, i_{k-1} \in \Omega, 2 \leq k \leq n\}$. We show that $Rad_F N = \Delta$. Suppose that $X = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in Rad_F N$ where $x_i \in R$, $1 \leq i \leq n$. Then $X \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_1}F \cap \left[\bigcap_{\substack{\mathfrak{R}_1 \not\subseteq p \in \xi}} K(N, p) \right]$. Let p be any prime ideal of R containing \mathfrak{R}_k ($2 \leq k \leq n$). If

$\mathfrak{R}_{k-1} \subseteq p$, then $[X X_{i_1} \dots X_{i_{k-1}}]_k \subseteq p$, for all $i_1, \dots, i_{k-1} \in \Omega$. If $\mathfrak{R}_{k-1} \not\subseteq p$, then $\mathfrak{R}_1 \not\subseteq p$ and so by Lemma 2.3 (iii), there exists a matrix $B_{(k-1) \times n} = [X_1 \dots X_{k-1}] \in M_{(k-1) \times n}(R)$, for some $X_i \in \Psi (1 \leq i \leq k-1)$ with a submatrix $B(i_1, \dots, i_{k-1})$ such that $\det B(i_1, \dots, i_{k-1}) \notin p$ and $K(N, p) = T_p(B)$. By [8], Proposition 1.7, $K(N, p) = \{Y = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in F \mid [Y X_{i_1} \dots X_{i_{k-1}}]_k \subseteq p \text{ for every } i_1, \dots, i_{k-1} \in \Omega\}$. Since $X \in K(N, p)$, then $[X X_{i_1} \dots X_{i_{k-1}}]_k \subseteq p$, for every $i_1, \dots, i_{k-1} \in \Omega$. It follows that $[X X_{i_1} \dots X_{i_{k-1}}]_k \subseteq \sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_k}$, for every $i_1, \dots, i_{k-1} \in \Omega$ and hence $X \in \Delta$. So $\text{Rad}_F N \subseteq \Delta$. Now let $X = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \Delta$ and p be any prime ideal in ξ such that $\mathfrak{R}_1 \not\subseteq p$. Then by Lemma 2.3 (iii), there exists a positive integer $m < n$ and a matrix $B_{m \times n} = [X_1 \dots X_m] \in M_{m \times n}(R)$, for some $X_i \in \Psi (1 \leq i \leq m)$ with a submatrix $B(j_1, \dots, j_m)$ such that $\det B(j_1, \dots, j_m) \notin p$, for some $j_1, \dots, j_m \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ and $K(N, p) = T_p(B)$. It is clear that $X \in K(N, p)$ and so $X \in \text{Rad}_F N$. Thus $\Delta = \text{Rad}_F N$. \square

Proposition 2.5. *Let $F = R^{(n)}$ be a free R -module and $N = \langle \Psi \rangle$. If there exist $1 \leq j \leq n-1$ and $B = [X_1 \dots X_j] \in M_{j \times n}(R)$, for some $X_1, \dots, X_j \in \Psi$ such that B contains an $j \times j$ submatrix whose determinant is a unit in R and $\sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_{j+1}} = \sqrt{(N : F)}$, then N s.t.r.f in F .*

Proof. Suppose there exists a matrix $B = [X_1 \dots X_j] \in M_{j \times n}(R)$, for some $X_1, \dots, X_j \in \Psi$ with a submatrix $B(i_1, \dots, i_j) \in M_{j \times j}(R)$, for some $i_1, \dots, i_j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ such that $\det B(i_1, \dots, i_j)$ is unit. Let $X \in \text{Rad}_F N$. Then $[X X_1 \dots X_j]_{j+1} \subseteq \sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_{j+1}} = \sqrt{(N : F)}$. If we replace the ideal p in Lemma 2.2(ii) with $\sqrt{(N : F)}$, then $\det B(i_1, \dots, i_j)X \in \sqrt{(N : F)}F + N$. It follows that $X \in \sqrt{(N : F)}F + N$ and hence $\text{Rad}_F N = \sqrt{(N : F)}F + N = \langle E_F(N) \rangle$. \square

Corollary 2.6. *Let (R, m) be a local ring with m as maximal ideal. Let F be the free R -module $R^{(n)}$ and $N = \langle \Psi \rangle$. If $\mathfrak{R}_j = R$ and $\sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_{j+1}} = \sqrt{(N : F)}$, for some $1 \leq j \leq n-1$, then N s.t.r.f in F .*

Proof. Let $\mathfrak{R}_j = \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_j \in \Omega} R[X_{i_1} \dots X_{i_j}]_j = R$, for some $1 \leq j \leq n-1$ and $\sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_{j+1}} = \sqrt{(N : F)}$. Since R is a local ring, then there exists a matrix $B = [X_1 \dots X_j] \in M_{j \times n}(R)$, for some $X_1, \dots, X_j \in \Psi$ with a submatrix $B(i_1, \dots, i_j) \in M_{j \times j}(R)$, for some $i_1, \dots, i_j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ such that $\det B(i_1, \dots, i_j)$ is unit. Then by Proposition 2.5, N s.t.r.f in F . \square

Proposition 2.7. *Let R be a commutative ring with identity. Let F be the free R -module $R^{(n)}$ and $N = \langle \Psi \rangle$. If $\sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_1} = \sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_2} = \dots = \sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_{n-1}} = \sqrt{(N : F)}$, then $\text{Rad}_F N = \sqrt{(N : F)}F = \langle E_F(N) \rangle$.*

Proof. Let N be a submodule of F such that $\sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_1} = \sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_2} = \dots = \sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_{n-1}} = \sqrt{(N : F)}$. Then by Theorem 2.4, $\text{Rad}_F N = \{X = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \sqrt{(N : F)}F \mid$

$[X X_{i_1} \dots X_{i_{k-1}}]_k \subseteq \sqrt{(N : F)}$, for every $i_1, \dots, i_{k-1} \in \Omega$ and $2 \leq k \leq n$. Since $X_i \in \sqrt{(N : F)F}$, for every $X_i \in \Psi$, we get that $\text{Rad}_F N = \sqrt{(N : F)F} = \langle E_F(N) \rangle$. \square

Theorem 2.8 is a generalization of Theorem 1.9 in [11].

Theorem 2.8. *Let $F = R^{(n)}$ be a free R -module and $N = \langle \Psi \rangle$, where $\Psi = \{X_i = (x_{i1}, \dots, x_{in}) \in F \mid i \in \Omega\}$. Let I be an ideal of R and $T = N + IF$. Then $\text{Rad}_F T = \{X = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_1 + \overline{I}F} \mid [X X_{i_1} \dots X_{i_{k-1}}]_k \subseteq \sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_k + \overline{I}}, \text{ for every } i_1, \dots, i_{k-1} \in \Omega, 2 \leq k \leq n\}$, where $\mathfrak{R}_k = \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_k \in \Omega} R[X_{i_1} \dots X_{i_k}]_k, 1 \leq k \leq n$.*

Proof. Let $\Psi' = \{Y_i = (y_{i1}, \dots, y_{in}) \in IF \mid i \in \Omega'\}$ be a subset of IF such that $IF = \langle \Psi' \rangle$. Then $T = \langle \Psi \cup \Psi' \rangle$ and so by Theorem 2.4, $\text{Rad}_F T = \{X = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \sqrt{\mathfrak{R}'_1 F} \mid [X Z_{i_1} \dots Z_{i_{k-1}}]_k \subseteq \sqrt{\mathfrak{R}'_k}, Z_{i_1}, \dots, Z_{i_{k-1}} \in \Psi \cup \Psi', \text{ for every } i_1, \dots, i_{k-1} \in \Omega \cup \Omega', 2 \leq k \leq n\}$, where $\mathfrak{R}'_k = \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_k \in \Omega \cup \Omega'} R[Z_{i_1} \dots Z_{i_k}]_k, 1 \leq k \leq n$. But it is easy to see that $\sqrt{\mathfrak{R}'_i} = \sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_i + \overline{I}}, 1 \leq i \leq n$. Also if $X \in F$ then $[X Z_{i_1} \dots Z_{i_{k-1}}]_k \subseteq \sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_k + \overline{I}}$, for every $i_1, \dots, i_{k-1} \in \Omega \cup \Omega'$ if and only if $[X X_{i_1} \dots X_{i_{k-1}}]_k \subseteq \sqrt{\mathfrak{R}_k + \overline{I}}$, for every $i_1, \dots, i_{k-1} \in \Omega$. \square

3. Prüfer domains

There are many equivalent conditions for an integral domain R to be a Prüfer domain [5], Theorem 24.3. In what follows we give another equivalent condition in terms of radical of a cyclic submodules of $R^{(2)}$.

Let R be an integral domain and K its field of fractions. R is said to be integrally closed if for every $a \in K, f(a) = 0$ for some monic polynomial $f \in R[x]$, then $a \in R$. Furthermore, R is integrally closed if and only if $(I :_K I) = R$, for every finitely generated ideal I of R [4], Theorem 3.7.I, where $(I :_K I) = \{x \in K \mid xI \subseteq I\}$.

In Theorem 3.1 we give necessary and sufficient condition for an integral domain to be integrally closed, by radical of a cyclic submodules in $R^{(n)}$.

Theorem 3.1. *Let R be an integral domain with quotient field K and let F be the free R -module $R^{(n)}$. Then R is integrally closed if and only if $\text{Rad}_F(R(a_1, \dots, a_n)) \cap (I_n)^{(n)} = R(a_1, \dots, a_n)$, for every $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in F$ and $n \geq 1$, where $I_n = \langle a_1, \dots, a_n \rangle$ is a finitely generated ideal of R .*

Proof. Let R be an integrally closed domain. If $n = 1$, then the proof is clear. Let $n \geq 2$ and $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \text{Rad}_F(R(a_1, \dots, a_n)) \cap (I_n)^{(n)}$, for some $(x_1, \dots, x_n), (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in F$. We can assume that there exists $1 \leq t \leq n$, such that $a_t \neq 0$. Since $R(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ is a cyclic submodule of F and $n \geq 2$

then by [8], Proposition 1.2, $(R(a_1, \dots, a_n) : F) = \langle 0 \rangle$. Since $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \text{Rad}_F(R(a_1, \dots, a_n))$ and $(R(a_1, \dots, a_n) : F) = \langle 0 \rangle$, by Theorem 2.4, $x_i a_t = a_i x_t$ for all i ; $1 \leq i \leq n$, $i \neq t$, and hence $a_t(x_1, \dots, x_n) = x_t(a_1, \dots, a_n)$. It follows that $\frac{x_t}{a_t} \in (I_n :_K I_n)$. Since R is integrally closed then $x_t = r a_t$, for some $r \in R$ and hence $(x_1, \dots, x_n) = r(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in R(a_1, \dots, a_n)$. Conversely, let $I_n = \langle a_1, \dots, a_n \rangle$ ($n \geq 1$) be a finitely generated ideal of R and $\frac{f}{s} \in (I_n :_K I_n)$ for some $0 \neq s, f \in R$. Then there exist $x_i \in I_n$, $1 \leq i \leq n$, such that $f a_i = s x_i$. By Theorem 2.4, $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \text{Rad}_{R^{(n)}}(R(a_1, \dots, a_n)) \cap (I_n)^{(n)}$. Then $(x_1, \dots, x_n) = r(a_1, \dots, a_n)$, for some $r \in R$. Since $s(x_1, \dots, x_n) = f(a_1, \dots, a_n)$, $f = rs$ and so $\frac{f}{s} \in R$. \square

Theorem 3.2. *Let R be an integral domain. Then R is a Prüfer domain if and only if for all $a, b \in R$, $(aR + bR)^2 = a^2R + b^2R$ and $I^{(2)} \cap \text{Rad}_F(R(a, b)) = R(a, b)$, where $I = \langle a, b \rangle$.*

Proof. Let R be a Prüfer domain. Then R is integrally closed and by [5], Theorem 24.3, $(aR + bR)^2 = a^2R + b^2R$ for all $a, b \in R$. Hence by Theorem 3.1, $I^{(2)} \cap \text{Rad}_{R^{(2)}}(R(a, b)) = R(a, b)$ and $(aR + bR)^2 = a^2R + b^2R$ for all $a, b \in R$. Conversely, let m be a maximal ideal of R . It is enough to show that R_m is a valuation ring. We assume $\frac{a}{s_1}, \frac{b}{s_2} \in R_m$, for some $a, b \in R$, $s_1, s_2 \in R - m$. If $a \notin m$ or $b \notin m$ then $bR_m \subseteq aR_m$ or $aR_m \subseteq bR_m$. Now let a, b be non-zero element of m . Since $(aR + bR)^2 = a^2R + b^2R$, hence $ab = ra^2 + sb^2$ for some $r, s \in R$ and so $a(b - ra) = sb^2$. Therefore by Theorem 2.4, $(sb, b - ra) \in \text{Rad}_{R^{(2)}}(R(a, b)) \cap I^{(2)}$. It follows that $(sb, b - ra) = t(a, b)$ for some $t \in R$. Then $sb = ta$ and $(1 - t)b = ra$ and so we have $aR_m \subseteq bR_m$ or $bR_m \subseteq aR_m$. \square

A Noetherian valuation domain is called a discrete rank one valuation. Furthermore, a domain R is said to be almost Dedekind provided that, for each maximal ideal m of R , the localization R_m is a discrete rank one valuation [4], page 119. It is clear that every almost Dedekind domain is a Prüfer domain. In [4], Theorem 7.1, Chapter III, it is proved that a domain R which is not a field, is an almost Dedekind domain if and only if R is a Prüfer domain of Krull dimension one and $\{0\}$ is the only idempotent prime ideal of R . In Theorem 3.4, we give a necessary and sufficient condition for a one dimensional domain R with $\{0\}$ as only idempotent prime ideal to be an almost Dedekind domain.

Lemma 3.3. *Let R be a one dimensional local domain with maximal ideal m such that $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} m^n = 0$. Then R is a valuation ring if and only if $\text{Rad}_{R^{(2)}}(R(a, b)) = E_{R^{(2)}}(R(a, b))$ and $(aR + bR)^2 = a^2R + b^2R$, for all $a, b \in R$.*

Proof. Let R be a valuation ring. It is clear that $(aR + bR)^2 = a^2R + b^2R$, for all $a, b \in R$. Now let (a, b) be a non-zero element of $R^{(2)}$ and $(0, 0) \neq (c, d) \in \text{Rad}_{R^{(2)}}(R(a, b))$. We assume that $c = rd$ and $a = sb$, for some $r, s \in R$. Then we have $(c, d) = d(r, 1)$ and $(a, b) = b(s, 1)$. It follows by Theorem 2.4, that $db(r - s) = 0$ and $d^k = tb$, for some $k \in \mathbf{N}$ and $t \in R$. Therefore $r = s$ and we have $(c, d) = d(r, 1) = d(s, 1)$, $d^k(r, 1) = d^k(s, 1) = tb(s, 1) = t(a, b)$. Hence $(c, d) \in E_{R^{(2)}}(R(a, b))$. Now let $a = sb$ and $d = rc$ for some $r, s \in R$. Then we have $(c, d) = c(1, r)$ and $(a, b) = b(s, 1)$. Now by Theorem 2.4, we have $bc(sr - 1) = 0$ and $c^k = tb$, for some natural number k and $t \in R$. Therefore $sr = 1$ and we have $(c, d) = c(1, r)$ and $c^k(1, r) = c^k r(s, 1) = trb(s, 1) = tr(a, b)$. Hence $(c, d) \in E_{R^{(2)}}(R(a, b))$. Conversely let a, b be non-zero elements of R . It is enough to show that $a \in Rb$ or $b \in Ra$. Since $(aR + bR)^2 = a^2R + b^2R$, hence $ab = ra^2 + sb^2$, for some $r, s \in R$ and so $a(b - ra) = sb^2$. By Theorem 2.4, we have $(sb, b - ra) \in \text{Rad}_{R^{(2)}}(R(a, b))$. Now we assume that $a \notin Rb$, $b \notin Ra$ and we show that $sb, b - ra \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} m^n$. Hence $sb = 0$, $b - ra = 0$. Therefore $b = ra$, which is a contradiction. Since $(sb, b - ra) \in \text{Rad}_{R^{(2)}}(R(a, b)) = E_{R^{(2)}}(R(a, b))$, then $sb, b - ra \in m$ and $(sb, b - ra) = r_0(x_0, y_0)$, for some $0 \neq r_0, x_0, y_0 \in R$ such that $r_0^{n_0}(x_0, y_0) = t_0(a, b)$, for some $n_0 \in \mathbf{N}$ and $t_0 \in R$. If r_0 is unit in R , then $(x_0, y_0) = \ell(a, b)$, for some $\ell \in R$ and so $(sb, b - ra) = r_0\ell(a, b)$. It follows that $sb = r_0\ell a$ and $b(1 - r_0\ell) = ra$. Since R is a local ring, $r_0\ell$ or $1 - r_0\ell$ is unit and so $a \in Rb$ or $b \in Ra$, which is a contradiction. Therefore $r_0 \in m$. If x_0 or y_0 is unit, because $r_0^{n_0}ay_0 = r_0^{n_0}bx_0$ hence $ay_0 = bx_0$, then we have $b \in Ra$ or $a \in bR$. Hence $0 \neq r_0, x_0, y_0 \in m$ and so $sb, b - ra \in m^2$. By induction, let $(sb, b - ra) = r_0r_1 \dots r_{k-1}(x_{k-1}, y_{k-1})$, for some $0 \neq r_i, x_i, y_i \in m$, $0 \leq i \leq k - 1$ such that $r_i^{n_i}(x_i, y_i) = t_i(a, b)$, for some $n_i \in \mathbf{N}$ and $t_i \in R$, $0 \leq i \leq k - 1$. Since $x_{k-1}, y_{k-1} \in m$ and $bx_{k-1} = ay_{k-1}$, hence by Theorem 2.4, we have $(x_{k-1}, y_{k-1}) \in \text{Rad}_{R^{(2)}}(R(a, b))$. So $(x_{k-1}, y_{k-1}) = r_k(x_k, y_k)$, for some $0 \neq r_k, y_k, x_k \in R$ such that $r_k^{n_k}(x_k, y_k) = t_k(a, b)$, for some $n_k \in \mathbf{N}$ and $t_k \in R$. Similarly for the case $k = 0$, we have $0 \neq r_k, x_k, y_k \in m$ and hence $(sb, b - ra) = r_0r_1 \dots r_k(x_k, y_k) \in (m^{k+2})^{(2)}$. \square

Theorem 3.4. *Let R be a one dimensional domain such that $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} m^n = 0$, for all maximal ideals m of R . Then R is almost Dedekind if and only if $(aR + bR)^2 = a^2R + b^2R$ and $\text{Rad}_{R_m^{(2)}}(R_m(a, b)) = E_{R_m^{(2)}}(R_m(a, b))$, for all maximal ideals m of R and $a, b \in R$.*

Proof. Let R be almost Dedekind domain. Then R is a Prüfer domain and hence by [5], $(aR + bR)^2 = a^2R + b^2R$, for all $a, b \in R$. So by [2], Theorem 2.4, $R^{(2)}$ s.t.r.f. as an R -module. Now let $a, b \in R$. Then $(\text{Rad}_{R^{(2)}}(R(a, b)))_m =$

$\langle E_{R^{(2)}}(R(a, b)) \rangle_m = \langle E_{R_m^{(2)}}(R_m(a, b)) \rangle$, for all $m \in \max(R)$. Since R_m is a valuation ring, hence by Lemma 3.3, $\text{Rad}_{R_m^{(2)}}(R_m(a, b)) = E_{R_m^{(2)}}(R_m(a, b))$. \square

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