Polynomial rings over Krull orders in simple Artinian rings

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Introduction

Let Q be a simple artinian ring. An order R in Q is called Krull if there are a family $\{R_i\}_{i \in I}$ and S(R) of overrings of R satisfying the following:

(K 1) $R = \bigcap_{i \in I} R_i \cap S(R)$, where R_i and S(R) are essential overrings of R (cf. Section 2 for the definition), and S(R) is the Asano overrig of R;

(K 2) each R_i is a noetherian, local, Asano order in Q, and S(R) is a noetherian, simple ring;

(K 3) if c is any regular element of R, then $cR_i \neq R_i$ for only finitely many *i* in **I** and $R_k c \neq R_k$ for only finitely many *k* in **I**.

If S(R)=Q, then R is said to be bounded. Author mainly investigated the ideal theory in bounded Krull orders in Q (cf. [10], [11], [12] and [13]). The class of Krull orders contains commutative Krull domains, maximal orders over Krull domains, noetherian Asano orders and bounded noetherian maximal orders. It is well known that if D is a commutative Krull domain, then the polynomial and formal power series rings D[x] and D[[x]] are both Krull, where the set x of indeterminates is finite or not.

The purpose of this paper is to show how the results above can be carried over to non commutative Krull orders by using prime v-ideals and localization functors. After giving some fundamental properties on polynomial rings (Section 1), we shall show, in Section 2, that if R is a Krull order in Q and if x is a finite set, then so is R[x]. In case x is an infinite set, we can not show whether R[x] is Krull or not. But we shall show that R[x] satisfies some properties interesting in multiplicative ideal theory as follows:

(i) $R[\mathbf{x}] = \bigcap_{P} R[\mathbf{x}]_{P} \cap S(R[\mathbf{x}])$, where P ranges over all prime v-ideals of $R[\mathbf{x}]$, the local ring $R[\mathbf{x}]_{P}$ is a noetherian and Asano order in the quotient ring of $R[\mathbf{x}]$ and the Asano overring $S(R[\mathbf{x}])$ is a simple ring.

(ii) The integral v-ideals of R[x] satisfies the maximum condition.

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In Section 4, we shall discuss on Krull orders over commutative Krull domains. If Λ is a Krull *D*-order, where *D* is a commutative Krull domain, then it is shown that $\Lambda[\mathbf{x}]$ and $\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]]$ are both Krull $D[\mathbf{x}]$ and $D[[\mathbf{x}]]$ -orders, respectively, where \mathbf{x} is finite or not.

1. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, each ring will be assumed to have an identity, Q will denote a simple artinian ring and R will denote an order in Q^{p} . We refer to N. Jacobson [9] concerning the terminology on orders.

Let $\mathbf{x} = \{x_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in A}$ be an arbitrary set of indeterminates over R subject to the condition that $rx_{\alpha} = x_{\alpha}r$ for any $r \in R$ and for any $x_{\alpha} \in \mathbf{x}$, where A is an index set. The polynomial ring $R[\mathbf{x}]$ is defined to be the union of the rings $R[\mathbf{x}'] = R[x_{\alpha_1}, \dots, x_{\alpha_n}]$, where $\mathbf{x}' = \{x_{\alpha_i}\}_{i=1}^n$ ranges over all finite subsets of \mathbf{x} . If x is an indeterminate over R, then Q[x] is a principal ideal ring by Example 6.3 of [16] and so it has a simple artinian quotient ring $Q(Q[x])^2$. Since Q[x] is an essential extension of R[x] as R[x]-modules and R[x]is a prime ring, Q(R[x]) = Q(Q[x]). So R[x] is an order in Q(R[x]). Therefore $R[\mathbf{x}']$ is also an order in $Q(R[\mathbf{x}'])$ for any finite subset \mathbf{x}' of \mathbf{x} . Finally if \mathbf{x}' and \mathbf{x}'' are subsets of \mathbf{x} and if $\mathbf{x}' \subseteq \mathbf{x}''$, then we note that $Q(R[\mathbf{x}']) \subseteq Q(R[\mathbf{x}''])$.

LEMMA 1.1. Let R be an order in Q. Then $R[\mathbf{x}]$ has a simple artinian quotient ring and $Q(R[\mathbf{x}]) = \bigcup Q(R[\mathbf{x}'])$, where \mathbf{x}' runs over all finite subsets of \mathbf{x} , and dim $R = \dim R[\mathbf{x}]$ (dim R is always the Goldie dimension of R).

PROOF. The lemma will be proved in four steps.

(i) Let A and B be any non-zero ideals of $R[\mathbf{x}]$. There exists a finite subset \mathbf{x}' of \mathbf{x} such that $A \cap R[\mathbf{x}'] \neq 0$ and $B \cap R[\mathbf{x}'] \neq 0$, because $A = \bigcup (A \cap R[\mathbf{x}''])$, where \mathbf{x}'' ranges over all finite subsets of \mathbf{x} . Since $R[\mathbf{x}']$ is a prime ring, we get $0 \neq (A \cap R[\mathbf{x}']) (B \cap R[\mathbf{x}']) \subseteq AB$. Hence $R[\mathbf{x}]$ is a prime ring. It is evident that the ring $S = \bigcup Q(R[\mathbf{x}'])$ is an essential extension of $R[\mathbf{x}]$ as $R[\mathbf{x}]$ -modules.

(ii) If dim R=n, then we shall prove that dim R[x']=n for any finite subset x' of x. It suffices to prove that dim R[x]=n. Since Q is the total matrix ring $(K)_n$ over a division ring K, we have $Q[x]=(K)_n[x]\simeq(K[x])_n$ and K[x] is an Ore domain. Hence $n = \dim Q[x] = \dim R[x]$, because Q(Q[x])=Q(R[x]).

¹⁾ Conditions assumed on rings will always be assumed to hold on both sided; for example, an order always means a right and left order.

²⁾ The quotient ring of a ring T will be denoted by Q(T).

(iii) If U is a uniform right ideal of R, then $U[\mathbf{x}']$ is also a uniform right ideal of $R[\mathbf{x}']$ by (ii) for any finite subset \mathbf{x}' of \mathbf{x} and so $UQ(R[\mathbf{x}'])$ is a minimal right ideal of $Q(R[\mathbf{x}'])$. It follows that US is a minimal right ideal of S.

(iv) If $U_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus U_n$ is an essential right ideal of R, where U_i are uniform right ideals of R, then, since $(U_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus U_n) Q = Q$, we have $S = (U_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus U_n)$ $S = U_1 S \oplus \cdots \oplus U_n S$ and the $U_i S$ are minimal right ideals of S by (iii). Hence S is a simple artinian ring and is the classical right quotient ring of $R[\mathbf{x}]$. Similarly, it is the classical left quotient ring of $R[\mathbf{x}]$. It is evident that dim $R = \dim R[\mathbf{x}]$.

LEMMA 1.2. Let A be a non-zero ideal of R[x] and let r(x), $c(x) = c_n x^n + \dots + c_0$ be elements of R[x] such that c_n is a regular element of R. If $r(x)A \subseteq c(x) A$ and deg $r(x) < \deg c(x)$, then r(x) = 0 (deg r(x) is the degree of the polynomial r(x)).

PROOF. Let k be the minimum number of the set $\{\deg f(x)|A \ni f(x) \neq 0\}$ and $A_o = \{f(x) \in A | \deg f(x) = k\} \cup \{0\}$. Then it is an (R, R)-bimodule and so $A_o R[x]$ is an ideal of R[x]. If $r(x) \neq 0$, then $0 \neq r(x) A_o R[x] \subseteq c(x) A$. For any non-zero element r(x)f(x) $(f(x) \in A_o)$, we have deg $r(x)f(x) \leq \deg r(x) + k$. But the degree of non-zero element of c(x) A is larger that deg r(x) + k, because c_n is a regular element of R and deg $r(x) < \deg c(x)$. This contradiction implies that r(x) = 0.

PROPOSITION 1.3. If R is a maximal order in Q, then $R[\mathbf{x}]$ is a maximal order in $Q(R[\mathbf{x}])$.

PROOF. Firstly we shall prove the assertion in case $x = \{x\}$. Let A be any non-zero ideal of R[x] and let B be the ideal of all leading coefficients of polynomials in A. Let $q = c(x)^{-1}r(x)$ be any non-zero element of $O_{l}(A) =$ $\{q \in Q(R[x]) | qA \subseteq A\}$, the left order of A, and let $c(x) = c_n x^n + \dots + c_0$, $r(x) = c_n x^n + \dots + c_n$ $r_m x^m + \cdots + r_0$ be non-zero elements in R[x]. By the same way as in Lemma 2 of [17], we may assume that c_n is a regular element of R. Since $r(x) A \subseteq c(x) A$, we have $r_m B \subseteq c_n B$ and $c_n^{-1} r_m \in O_l(B) = R$ by Lemma 1.2 of [2]. Thus $r_m = c_n s_{m-n}$ for some $s_{m-n} \in \mathbb{R}$. By Lemma 1.2, $n \leq m$ and so $r(x) = c(x) t_1(x) + r_1(x)$, where $t_1(x) = s_{m-n} x^{m-n}$, $r_1(x) \in R[x]$ and $\deg r_1(x) < m$, *i. e.*, $c(x)^{-1}r(x) = t_1(x) + c(x)^{-1}r_1(x)$. Hence $(t_1(x) + c(x)^{-1}r_1(x)) A \subseteq A$ and $c(x)^{-1}r_1(x) A \subseteq A$. If $n \leq \deg r_1(x)$, then the process is repeated and we get $r_1(x) = c(x) t_2(x) + r_2(x) (t_2(x), r_2(x) \in R[x]), \text{ deg } r_1(x) > \text{deg } r_2(x) \text{ and } c(x)^{-1} r_2(x)$ $A \subseteq A$. Continuing the process we obtain $r_i(x) = c(x) t_{i+1}(x) + r_{i+1}(x) (t_{i+1}(x))$, $r_{i+1}(x) \in R[x]$, deg $r_{i+1}(x) < \deg c(x)$ and $c(x)^{-1}r_{i+1}(x) A \subseteq A$. Then, by Lemma 1.2, $r_{i+1}(x) = 0$ and therefore $c(x)^{-1}r(x) = t_1(x) + \cdots + t_{i+1}(x) \in R[x]$. This implies that $O_i(A) = R[x]$ and, by symmetry, $R[x] = O_r(A)$, the right order of A. Hence R[x] is a maximal order in Q(R[x]) by the remark to Lemma 1.2 of [2]. By induction, R[x'] is a maximal order in Q(R[x']) for any finite subset x' of x. Nextly we shall prove the assertion in case x is arbitrary. Let A be any non-zero ideal of R[x] and let q be any element of $O_l(A)$. Then there exists a finite subset x' of x such that $q \in Q(R[x'])$ and $0 \neq A \cap R[x']$. It follows that $q(A \cap R[x']) \subseteq A \cap Q(R[x']) = A \cap R[x']$ and so $q \in O_l((A \cap R[x'])) = R[x']$. Hence $O_l(A) = R[x]$ and, by symmetry, $O_r(A) = R[x]$. This implies that R[x] is a maximal order in Q(R[x]).

Let I be a right R-ideal. Following [1], we define $I^* = (I^{-1})^{-1}$. If $I = I^*$, then it is said to be a right v-ideal. In the same way one defines left v-ideals and v-ideals.

LEMMA 1.4. If R is a maximal order in Q and if I is a (one-sided) R-ideal, then $I^{-1}[\mathbf{x}] = (I[\mathbf{x}])^{-1}$. In particular, if I is a (one-sided) v-ideal, then so is $I[\mathbf{x}]$.

PROOF. We shall prove the lemma when I is a right R-ideal. Since $I^{-1}[\mathbf{x}] I[\mathbf{x}] \subseteq R[\mathbf{x}]$, we get $I^{-1}[\mathbf{x}] \subseteq (I[\mathbf{x}])^{-1}$. To prove the inverse inclusion, let q be any element in $(I[\mathbf{x}])^{-1}$, *i. e.*, $qI[\mathbf{x}] \subseteq R[\mathbf{x}]$. Since $qc \in R[\mathbf{x}]$ for any regular element c in I, $q \in Rc^{-1}[\mathbf{x}] \subseteq Q[\mathbf{x}]$. Therefore all coefficients of q (as polynomials over Q) are contained in I^{-1} and so $q \in I^{-1}[\mathbf{x}]$. Hence $I^{-1}[\mathbf{x}] = (I[\mathbf{x}])^{-1}$, as desired.

2. R[x]

Let R be an order in Q and let F be a right additive topology on R. We denote by R_F the ring of quotients of with respect to F (cf. [18]). An overring R' of R is said to be *right essential* if it satisfies the following two conditions:

(i) There is a perfect right additive topology F on R such that $R' = R_F$ (cf. p 74 of [18]).

(ii) If $I \in F$, then R'I = R'.

If R_F is a right essential overring of R, then F consists of all right ideals I of R such that $IR_F = R_F$. So each element of F is an essential right ideal of R. So if R is a maximal order in Q, then $R_F = \bigcup^{-1}(I \in F)$.

An overring R' of R is said to be *essential* if it is right and left essential. If P is a prime ideal of R, then we denote by C(P) those elements of R which are regular mod. (P). If R satisfies the Ore condition with respect to C(P), then we denote by R_P the ring of quotients of R with respect to C(P). We call an order R an Asano order if its R-ideals form a group under multiplication. An order R is said to be *local* if its Jacobson

radical J is the unique maximal ideal and R/J is an artinian ring. Let R be a noetherian, local and Asano order. Then, by Proposition 1.3 of [8], R is a bounded, hereditary, principal right and left ideal ring. Following [8], we define $S(R) = \bigcup B^{-1}$, where B ranges over all non-zero ideals of R and call it an Asano overring of R.

Let R be a maximal order in Q and let P be an ideal of R. Then the following are equivalent (cf. p. 11 and Theorem 4.2 of [1]):

(i) P is a prime v-ideal of R.

- (ii) P is a maximal element in the lattice of integral v-ideals of R.
- (iii) P is a meet-irreducible in the lattice of integral v-ideals of R.

If P satisfies one of the conditions above, then it is a minimal prime ideal of R by Theorem 1.6 of [2]. The set D(R) of all v-ideals becomes an abelian group under the multiplication " \circ " defined by $A^* \circ B^* = (AB)^* =$ $(A^*B)^* = ((AB^*)) = (A^*B^*)^*$ for any R-ideals A and B (cf. Lemma 2 of [12]). If the integral v-ideals satisfies the maximum condition, then D(R) is a direct product of infinite cyclic groups with prime v-ideals as their generators (cf. Theorem 4.2 of [1]). These results are frequently used in this paper without references.

An order R in Q is called Krull if there are a family $\{R_i\}_{i \in I}$ and S(R) of overrings of R satisfying the following:

(K 1) $R = \bigcap_{i \in \mathbf{r}} R_i \cap S(R)$, where R_i and the Asano overring S(R) are essential overrings of R,

(K 2) each R_i is a noetherian, local, As ano order, and S(R) is a noetherian, simple ring, and

(K 3) for every regular element c in R we have $cR_i \neq R_i$ for only finitely many i in I and $R_k c \neq R_k$ for only finitely many k in I.

If R is a Krull order in Q, then it is a Krull ring in the sense of [10]. In non-commutative rings, it seems to me that the definition above is more natural than one of Krull rings in [10].

In this section, P'_i will denote the unique maximal ideal of R_i and $P_i = P'_i \cap R$ $(i \in I)$. By Proposition 1.1 of [10], P_i is a prime ideal of R and $R_i = R_{P_i}$.

PROPOSITION 2.1. Let R be a Krull order in Q. Then

(1) R is a maximal order in Q.

(2) The integral right and left v-ideals satisfy the maximum condition.

(3) If A is a non-zero ideal of R, then AS(R) = S(R) A = S(R).

(4) Let P be an ideal of R. Then it is a prime v-ideal of R if and only if $P=P_i$ for some i in I.

PROOF. Since a simple ring is a maximal order, (1) follows from the same way as in Proposition 1.3 of [11].

(2) Let I be any right v-ideal. Then $I = \bigcap_i IR_i \cap IS(R)$ by Corollary 4.2 of [10]. So (2) is evident from the definition of Krull orders.

(3) Let $S(R) = R_F = R_{F_l}$, where F and F_l are perfect right and left additive topologies on R, respectively. Since S(R) AS(R) = S(R), we write $1 = \sum_{i=1}^{n} t_i a_i s_i$, where t_i , $s_i \in S(R)$ and $a_i \in A$. There are elements B and Cin F and F_l respectively, such that Ct_i , $s_i B \subseteq R$. So $CB \subseteq A$, which implies that $S(R) \supseteq S(R) A \supseteq S(R) CB = S(R)$. Hence S(R) = S(R) A and, by symmetry S(R) = AS(R).

(4) Let P be a prime v-ideal. Then $P = \bigcap_i PR_i \cap S(R)$. There are finitely many $1, \dots, k \in I$ only such that $PR_i \neq R_i$ $(1 \le i \le k)$. Since R_i is bounded, there are natural numbers n_i such that $P'_i \cap PR_i$. It follows that $P_1^{n_1} \cap \dots \cap P_k^{n_k} \subseteq P$. Hence $P_i \subseteq P$ for some i and thus $P_i = P$. The fact that each P_i is a prime v-ideal follows from the same way as in Lemma 1.5 of [11].

LEMMA 2.2. Let R be a maximal order in Q and let S(R) be the Asano overring of R. If AS(R)=S(R)=S(R)A for every non-zero ideal A of R, then S(R) is an essential overring of R and is a simple ring.

PROOF. Let $F = \{I | I \text{ is a right ideal of } R \text{ and contains a non-zero ideal of } R\}$. We shall prove that F is a right additive topology on R. To prove this let I be any element of F and let A be a non-zero ideal of R such that $I \supseteq A$. Then, for any $r \in R$, we have $r^{-1}I = \{x \in R | rx \in I\} \supseteq r^{-1}A \supseteq A$ and so $r^{-1}I \in F$. If $I \in F$ and J is a right ideal of R such that $a^{-1}J \in F$ for all $a \in I$, then we obtain $S(R) \supseteq JS(R) \supseteq \Sigma_{a \in I} a(a^{-1}J) S(R) = \Sigma_{a \in I} aS(R) = IS(R)$ = S(R). Hence S(R) = JS(R). Put $1 = \Sigma_{i=1}^{n} a_i t_i$, where $a_i \in J$ and $t_i \in S(R)$. There is a non-zero ideal B of R such that $t_i B \subseteq R$. It follows that $B \subseteq J$ and $J \in F$. Thus F is a right additive topology on R by Lemma 3.1 of [18]. By the assumption, it is clear that $S(R) = R_F$ and that it is a right essential overring of R. By symmetry, S(R) is a left essential overring of R as simple ring.

LEMMA 2.3. Let R be an order in Q and let R be a simple ring. Then

(1) The correspondence

$$(*) \qquad \qquad P \longrightarrow P' = PQ[x]$$

is one-to-one between the family of all maximal ideals of R[x] and the family of all maximal ideals of Q[x]. The inverse of (*) is given by

the correspondence $P' \rightarrow P' \cap R[x]$.

(2) $R[x]_P = Q[x]_{P'}$, and is a noetherian, local, Asano order for every maximal ideal P of R[x].

(3) S(R[x]) is an essential overring of R[x], is a simple ring and $S(R[x]) \subseteq S(Q[x])$. In particular, if R is noetherian, then so is S(R[x]).

PROOF. The same proof as in Example 6.1 of [16] gives that R[x] is an ipri and ipli-ring. So R[x] is an Asano order in Q(R[x]).

(1) Let P' be a maximal ideal of Q[x] and $P=P' \cap R[x]$. It is evident that P is a maximal ideal of R[x]. Since Q[x] is an essential overring of R[x] by Lemma 5.3 of [10], we have P'=PQ[x]=Q[x]PQ. Conversely let P be a maximal ideal of R[x] and let P'=Q[x]PQ[x]. Assume that P'=Q[x] and write $1=\sum_{i=1}^{n}q_ip_ig_i$, where $q_i, g_i\in Q[x]$ and $p_i\in P$. There are regular elements c, d in R such that $cq_i, g_i d\in R[x]$. It follows that $R=RcdR\subseteq P$, which is a contradiction. Hence P' is a proper ideal of Q[x]so that $P' \cap R[x]$ is also a proper ideal of R[x]. This implies that P= $P' \cap R[x]$ and thus P'=PQ[x]=Q[x]P, since Q[x] is an essential overring of R[x]. It is clear that P' is a maximal ideal of Q[x].

(2) By Example 6.3 of [16], Q[x] is a Dedekind prime ring. So $Q[x]_{P'}$ is a noetherian, local, Asano order in Q(R[x]) by Theorem 2.6 of [8]. Since $P = P' \cap R[x]$, we get $Q[x]_{P'} = R[x]_P$ by Proposition 1.1 and Lemmas 5.2, 5.3 of [10].

(3) Since R[x] is an Asano order in Q(R[x]), S(R[x]) is an essential overring of R[x] and is a simple ring by Lemma 2.2. Let $A = P_1^{n_1} \cdots P_t^{n_t}$ be any non-zero ideal of R[x], where P_i are maximal ideals of R[x]. Then we get $A^{-1} \subseteq Q[x]A^{-1} = (AQ[x])^{-1} = (P_1'^{n_1} \cdots P_t'^{n_t})^{-1} \subseteq S(Q[x])$. Hence S(R[x]) $\subseteq S(Q[x])$. If R is a noetherian and simple ring, then so is S(R[x]) by [8, p. 446], because R[x] is a noetherian Asano order.

THEOREM 2.4. If R is a Krull order in Q, then R[x] is a Krull order in Q(R[x]).

PROOF. Let $R = \bigcap_i R_{P_i} \cap S$ $(i \in I)$, where P_i ranges over all prime *v*ideals of *R* and S = S(R) is the Asano overring of *R*. Then $R[x] = \bigcap_i R[x]_{P_i[x]} \cap Q[x] \cap S[x]$ by the proof of Theorem 5.4 of [10]. Since Q[x]and S[x] are both noetherian Asano orders by Example 6.1 of [16], we obtain $Q[x] = \bigcap_{j \in I} Q_j^* \cap S(Q[x])$ and $S[x] = \bigcap_{j \in I} S_j^* \cap S(S[x])$ by Theorem 3.1 of [8]. Here $Q_j^* = S_j^*$ are noetherian, local, Asano orders, $S(S[x]) \subseteq$ S(Q[x]), and S(S[x]) is a noetherian, simple ring and is an essential overring of R[x] by Lemmas 5.2, 5.3 of [10] and Lemma 2.3. Let Q'_j be the unique maximal ideal of $Q_j^*(j \in J)$. We consider the following diagram;

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ight] \subseteq Q_{j}^{*} \ & \cup & \cup & \cup \ & Q_{j} & \subseteq Q_{j}^{\prime\prime\prime\prime} & \subseteq Q_{j}^{\prime\prime\prime} & \subseteq Q_{j}^{\prime\prime} \end{aligned}$$

where $Q_j = R[x] \cap Q'_j$, $Q''_j = S[x] \cap Q'_j$ and $Q''_j = Q[x] \cap Q'_j$. Then $Q_j^* = R[x]_{Q_j}$ by Proposition 1.1 of [10]. Thus we have

$$(*) \qquad \qquad R[x] = \bigcap_{i \in \mathbf{I}} R[x]_{P_i[x]} \cap \bigcap_{j \in \mathbf{J}} R[x]_{Q_j} \cap S(S[x]).$$

In the expression (*) of R[x], we get, as in Theorem 5.4 of [10] and Proposition 2.1, the following:

- (i) R[x] satisfies the condition (K 3).
- (ii) The integral one-sided v-ideals satisfies the maximum condition.
- (iii) $P_i[x], Q_i(i \in I, j \in J)$ are all prime v-ideals of R[x].

To prove that these only are prime v-ideals of R[x], let P be a prime v-ideal of R[x]. If $P \cap R \neq 0$, then, since $(P \cap R)^*[x] = ((P \cap R)[x])^* \subseteq P^* = P$ by Lemma 1.4, $P \cap R$ is also a prime v-ideal of R so that $P \cap R = P_i$ for some $i \in I$ by Proposition 2.1. Hence $P \supseteq P_i[x]$ and thus $P = P_i[x]$. If $P \cap R = 0$, then it follows that $Q[x] PQ[x] \equiv Q[x]$, and so $Q[x] PQ[x] \subseteq Q''_j$ for some $j \in J$. Since $\{Q_j'' | j \in J\}$ are the set of maximal ideals of Q[x]. Hence $P \subseteq Q_i$ so that $P = Q_i$, as claimed. It remains to prove that S(S[x]) =To prove this let A be a non-zero ideal of R[x]. We write S(R[x]). $A^{*} = (P_{1}[x]^{m_{1}} \cdots P_{s}[x]^{m_{s}} \cdot Q_{1}^{n_{1}} \cdots Q_{t}^{n_{t}})^{*}. \text{ Then } S[x] \supseteq A^{*}S[x] \supseteq Q_{1}^{n_{1}} \cdots Q_{t}^{n_{t}}S[x]$ $=Q_1^{\prime\prime\prime n_1}\cdots Q_t^{\prime\prime\prime n_t}$ by Proposition 2.1. Thus we have $S(S[x]) \supseteq A^*S(S[x]) \supseteq$ $Q_1^{\prime\prime\prime n_1} \cdots Q_t^{\prime\prime\prime n_t} S(S[x]) = S(S[x])$ and so S(S[x]) = A * S(S[x]). It follows that $A^{-1} \subseteq A^{-1}S(S[x]) = A^{-1}A^*S(S[x]) \subseteq S(S[x]).$ Hence $S(R[x]) \subseteq S(S[x]).$ To prove the inverse inclusion, let q be any element of S(S[x]). We may assume that q is a regular element in Q(R[x]) by Lemma 2.2 of [10]. There is a non-zero ideal B' of S[x] such that $qB' \subseteq S[x]$ and so $qB \subseteq S[x]$, where $B=B'\cap R[x]$, Write $B^*=(b_1R[x]+\cdots+b_nR[x])^*$ for some elements b_i of B. Then there exists a non-zero ideal C of R such that $qb_iC\subseteq R[x]$ so that $ab_i C[x] \subseteq R[x]$. It follows that $q(b_1 R[x] + \dots + b_n R[x]) C[x] \subseteq R[x]$ and thus we have $R[x] \supseteq (q(b_1 R[x] + \dots + b_n R[x]) C[x])^* = q((b_1 R[x] + \dots + b_n R[x]))^*$ [x] * C[x] = q(B * C[x]) = q(BC[x]) by Lemma 2 of [12], which implies $q \in (BC[x])^{-1} \subseteq S(R[x])$. Hence $S(R[x]) \supseteq S(S[x])$ and S(R[x]) = S(S[x]), as desired.

COROLLARY 2.5. If R is a Krull order in Q, then $R[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ is a Krull order in $Q(R[x_1, \dots, x_n])$.

3. R[x]

In the remainder of this paper, $\mathbf{x} = \{x_{\alpha} | \alpha \in \mathbf{A}\}$ denotes an arbitrary set of indeterminates over R which commutes with any element of R. We shall study, in this section, the polynomial ring $R[\mathbf{x}]$ over Krull order R.

LEMMA 3.1. Let R be a Krull order in Q and let P be a prime v-ideal of R. Then

(1) $R[\mathbf{x}]$ satisfies the Ore condition with respect to $C(P[\mathbf{x}])$ and $R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]} = \bigcup_{\mathbf{x}'} R[\mathbf{x}']_{P[\mathbf{x}']}$, where \mathbf{x}' ranges over all finite subsets of \mathbf{x} .

(2) $R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]}$ is a neotherian, local and Asano order in $Q(R[\mathbf{x}])$.

PROOF. (1) Let x' and x'' be any finite subsets of x such that $x' \cong x''$. Since R[x''] = R[x'] [x'' - x'] and P[x''] = P[x'] [x'' - x'], where x'' - x' is the complement set of \mathbf{x}' in \mathbf{x}'' , it is evident that $C(P[\mathbf{x}']) \subseteq C(P[\mathbf{x}''])$. Firstly we shall prove that $C(P[\mathbf{x}]) = \bigcup_{\mathbf{x}'_0} C(P[\mathbf{x}'_0])$, where \mathbf{x}'_0 ranges over all finite subsets of \mathbf{x} . If $c(\mathbf{x}') f(\mathbf{x}) \in P[\mathbf{x}]$, where \mathbf{x}' is a finite subset of **x**, $c(\mathbf{x}') \in C(P[\mathbf{x}'])$ and $f(\mathbf{x}) \in R[\mathbf{x}]$, then there exists a finite subset $\mathbf{x}'' (\supseteq \mathbf{x}')$ of \mathbf{x} such that $f(\mathbf{x}) \in R[\mathbf{x}'']$ and $c(\mathbf{x}') f(\mathbf{x}) \in P[\mathbf{x}'']$. Hence $f(\mathbf{x}) \in P[\mathbf{x}'']$ and so $C(P[\mathbf{x}']) \subseteq C(P[\mathbf{x}])$. Conversely, let $c(\mathbf{x})$ be any element of $C(P[\mathbf{x}])$ and assume that $c(\mathbf{x}) \in R[\mathbf{x}']$. If $c(\mathbf{x}) g(\mathbf{x}) \in P[\mathbf{x}']$, where $g(\mathbf{x}) \in R[\mathbf{x}']$, then $g(\mathbf{x}) \in R[\mathbf{x}'] \cap P[\mathbf{x}] = P[\mathbf{x}']$. This implies that $c(\mathbf{x}) \in C(P[\mathbf{x}'])$. Hence $C(P[\mathbf{x}]) = \bigcup_{\mathbf{x}'_{o}} C(P[\mathbf{x}'_{o}])$. Next we shall prove that $R[\mathbf{x}]$ satisfies the Ore condition with respect to $C(P[\mathbf{x}])$. To prove this let $c(\mathbf{x})$ and $a(\mathbf{x})$ be any element of $R[\mathbf{x}]$ with $c(\mathbf{x}) \in C(P[\mathbf{x}])$. Then there is a finite subset \mathbf{x}' of **x** such that $a(\mathbf{x}), c(\mathbf{x}) \in R[\mathbf{x}']$. By Proposition 2.1 and Corollary 2.5, there exist $b(\mathbf{x})$, $d(\mathbf{x})$ in $R[\mathbf{x}']$ and $d(\mathbf{x}) \in C(P[\mathbf{x}'])$ such that $a(\mathbf{x}) d(\mathbf{x}) = c(\mathbf{x}) b(\mathbf{x})$. Hence $R[\mathbf{x}]$ satisfies the right Ore condition with respect to $C(P[\mathbf{x}])$ and $R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]} = \bigcup_{\mathbf{x}'} R[\mathbf{x}']_{P[\mathbf{x}']}$. The other Ore condition is shown to hold by a symmetric proof.

(2) Let P' be the unique maximal ideal of R_P and let \mathbf{x}' be any finite subset of \mathbf{x} . Since $R[\mathbf{x}']_{P[\mathbf{x}']}$ is a noetherian, local and Asano order, we obtain that $P[\mathbf{x}'] R[\mathbf{x}']_{P[\mathbf{x}']} = R[\mathbf{x}']_{P[\mathbf{x}']} P[\mathbf{x}']$ and that it is the Jacobson radical of $R[\mathbf{x}']_{P[\mathbf{x}']}$. Let $P' = pR_P = R_P p$ for some regular element p in P. Then we have $pR[\mathbf{x}']_{P[\mathbf{x}']} = P[\mathbf{x}'] R[\mathbf{x}']_{P[\mathbf{x}']} = R[\mathbf{x}']_{P[\mathbf{x}']} p$, because $R[\mathbf{x}']_{P[\mathbf{x}']} = (R_P[\mathbf{x}'])_{P'[\mathbf{x}']}$. Put $P'' = P[\mathbf{x}]R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]}$. Then we obtain that $P'' = pR[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]} = \bigcup_{\mathbf{x}''} (pR[\mathbf{x}'']_{P[\mathbf{x}']})$ $= \bigcup (R[\mathbf{x}'']_{P[\mathbf{x}'']}p) = R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]}p = R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]}P[\mathbf{x}]$, where \mathbf{x}'' ranges over all finite subsets of \mathbf{x} . Hence P'' is an ideal of $R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]}$ and is invertible. It is evident that $P'' \cap R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]} = P[\mathbf{x}]$. Since $R[\mathbf{x}]/P[\mathbf{x}]$ and $R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]}/P''$ is the quotient ring of $R[\mathbf{x}]/P[\mathbf{x}]$, it follows that $R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]}/P''$ is a simple, artinian ring. So P'' is a maxima ideal of $R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]}$. To prove that P'' is the Jacobson radical of $R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]}$, let V be any maximal right ideal of $R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]}$. Assume that $V \oplus P''$. Then $R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]} = V + P''$. Write 1 = v + p', where $v \in V$ and $p' \in P''$. There is a finite subset \mathbf{x}'' of \mathbf{x} such that $v \in R[\mathbf{x}'']_{P[\mathbf{x}'']}$ and $p' \in P[\mathbf{x}''] R[\mathbf{x}'']_{P[\mathbf{x}'']}$. Then v is a unit in $R[\mathbf{x}'']_{P[\mathbf{x}'']}$ and so it is a unit in $R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]}$. Thus we get $V = R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]}$, which is a contradiction. Hence $V \supseteq P''$ and so P'' is the Jacobson radical of $R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]}$. Let I be any essential right ideal of $R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]}$. Then there is a finite subset \mathbf{x}' of \mathbf{x} such that $I \cap R[\mathbf{x}']_{P[\mathbf{x}']}$ is an essential right ideal of $R[\mathbf{x}']_{P[\mathbf{x}']}$. It follows that $I \cap R[\mathbf{x}']_{P[\mathbf{x}']} \supseteq$ $(P[\mathbf{x}'] R[\mathbf{x}']_{P[\mathbf{x}']})^n$ for some natural number n. Hence we have $I \supseteq P''^n$. this implies that the essential right ideals of $R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]}$ satisfies the maximum condition, because $R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]}/P''$ is artinian and P'' is invertible. Further, since dim $R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]}$ is finite, $R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]}$ is right noetherian. Similarly, it is left noetherian. Hence $R[\mathbf{x}]_{P[\mathbf{x}]}$ is a noetherian, local and Asano order in $Q(R[\mathbf{x}])$ by Proposition 1.3 of [8].

Let I be a right $R[\mathbf{x}]$ -ideal. Then $qI \subseteq I$ for some regular element qin $Q(R[\mathbf{x}])$. There is a finite subset \mathbf{x}'_o of \mathbf{x} such that $q \in Q(R[\mathbf{x}'_o])$ and $I \cap Q(R[\mathbf{x}'_o])$ is a right $R[\mathbf{x}'_o]$ -ideal, because $I = \bigcup (I \cap Q(R[\mathbf{x}']))$, where \mathbf{x}' runs over all finite subsets of \mathbf{x} . For any finite subset \mathbf{x}'' of \mathbf{x} with $\mathbf{x}'' \supseteq \mathbf{x}'_o$, $I \cap Q(R[\mathbf{x}''])$ is a right $R[\mathbf{x}'']$ -ideal. Thus we have $I = \bigcup (I \cap Q(R[\mathbf{x}']))$. Here \mathbf{x}' ranges over all finite subsets of \mathbf{x} such that each $I \cap Q(R[\mathbf{x}'])$ is a right $R[\mathbf{x}']$ -ideal. We define $\tilde{I} = \bigcup (I \cap Q(R[\mathbf{x}']))^*$. Clearly $I \subseteq \tilde{I}$ and especially, for right v-ideals, we have

LEMMA 3.2. Let R be a maximal order in Q and let I be a right v-ideal of $Q(R[\mathbf{x}])$. Then $I = \tilde{I}$.

PROOF. Let c be a unit in $Q(R[\mathbf{x}])$. It is evident that $cR[\mathbf{x}] = c\tilde{R}[\mathbf{x}]$. So the lemma immediately follows from Proposition 4.1 of [10].

LEMMA 3.3. Let R be a maximal order in Q and let P be a proper ideal of $R[\mathbf{x}]$. Then P is a prime v-ideal if and only if $P=P'[\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}']$, where \mathbf{x}' is a finite subset of \mathbf{x} and P' is a prime v-ideal of $R[\mathbf{x}']$.

PROOF. The sufficiency is clear from Lemma 1.4. Assume that P is a prime v-ideal. There is a finite subset \mathbf{x}' of \mathbf{x} such that $P \cap R[\mathbf{x}']$ is a non-zero. It is a prime ideal of $R[\mathbf{x}']$. If $(P \cap R[\mathbf{x}'])^* = R[\mathbf{x}']$, then P = $R[\mathbf{x}]$ by Lemma 3.2, which is a contradiction. Hence $(P \cap R[\mathbf{x}'])^* \cong R[\mathbf{x}']$ so that $P \cap R[\mathbf{x}']$ is a prime v-ideal of $R[\mathbf{x}']$ by Proposition 1.7 of [2]. Thus $(P \cap R[\mathbf{x}'])[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}']$ is a prime v-ideal of $R[\mathbf{x}]$ contained in P. Therefore $P = (P \cap R[\mathbf{x}'])[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}']$, as desired.

LEMMA 3.4. Let R be a Krull order in Q. Then the integral videals of $R[\mathbf{x}]$ satisfies the maximum condition. PROOF. Let P_1, \dots, P_s be any prime v-ideals of $R[\mathbf{x}]$ and let n_1, \dots, n_s be any natural numbers. Then we obtain by the same as in Asano orders that the integral v-ideals containing $(P_1^{n_1} \cdots P_s^{n_s})^*$ are the ideals $(P_1^{m_1} \cdots P_s^{m_s})^*$ only $(0 \le m_i \le n_i)$. So it suffices to prove that any integral v-ideal of $R[\mathbf{x}]$ contains an integral v-ideal of such forms. To prove this let A be any proper integral v-ideal of $R[\mathbf{x}]$. There exists a finite subset \mathbf{x}' of \mathbf{x} such that $(A \cap R[\mathbf{x}'])^*$ is a proper integral v-ideal of $R[\mathbf{x}']$. Write $(A \cap R[\mathbf{x}'])^* =$ $(P_1^{n_1} \cdots P_t^{n_t})^*$, where P_i are prime v-ideals of $R[\mathbf{x}']$. By Lemmas 1.4 and 3.2, we get $A \supseteq (A \cap R[\mathbf{x}'])^* [\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'] = (P_1^{n_1} \cdots P_t^{n_t} [\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'])^* = ((P_1[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'])^{n_1} \cdots$ $(P_t[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'])^{n_t})^*$. Each $P_i[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}']$ is a prime v-ideal of $R[\mathbf{x}]$ by Lemma 3.3. LEMMA 3.5. Let R be a Krull order in Q. Then $S(R[\mathbf{x}]) = \bigcup_{\mathbf{x}'} S(R[\mathbf{x}'])$, where \mathbf{x}' ranges over all finite subsets of \mathbf{x}' , it is an essential overring of

 $R[\mathbf{x}]$ and is a simple ring.

PROOF. Let A be any non-zero ideal of $R[\mathbf{x}']$, where \mathbf{x}' is a finite subset of x. Then we have $A^{-1} \subseteq A^{-1} [x - x'] = (A [x - x'])^{-1}$ and A [x - x']is an ideal of $R[\mathbf{x}]$. Hence $S(R[\mathbf{x}]) \supseteq \bigcup_{\mathbf{x}'} S(R[\mathbf{x}'])$. Conversely let q be any element of $S(R[\mathbf{x}])$. There is an ideal B of $R[\mathbf{x}]$ such that $qB \subseteq R[\mathbf{x}]$. Since $B^{-1-1-1}=B^{-1}$, we may assume that B is a v-ideal. Write $B=(P_1^{n_1}\cdots P_t^{n_t})^*$, where P_i are prime v-ideals of R[x]. There are finite subsets x', x'_i $(1 \le i \le t)$ of \mathbf{x} and prime v-ideals P'_i of $R[\mathbf{x}'_i]$ such that $q \in Q(R[\mathbf{x}']), P_i = P'_i[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'_i]$ by Lemma 3.3. We set $\mathbf{x}'' = \mathbf{x}' \cup \mathbf{x}'_1 \cup \cdots \cup \mathbf{x}'_t$ and $P''_i = P'_i[\mathbf{x}'' - \mathbf{x}'_i]$, which is a prime v-ideal of R[X'']. It follows that $q \in Q(R[x''])$ and $P_i = P''_i[x - x'']$. Hence we have $B = ((P_1''[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}''])^{n_1} \cdots (P_t''[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}''])^{n_t})^* = ((P_1''^{n_1} \cdots P_t'^{n_t})[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}''])^*$ and so $B^{-1} = (P_1''^{n_1} \cdots P_t''^{n_t})^{-1} [\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}''].$ Hence $q \in (P_1''^{n_1} \cdots P_t''^{n_t})^{-1} [\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}''] \cap$ $Q(R[\mathbf{x}'']) = (P_1''^{n_1} \cdots P_t''^{n_t})^{-1}$, which implies that $S(R[\mathbf{x}]) \subseteq \bigcup_{\mathbf{x}'} S(R[\mathbf{x}'])$. Hence $S(R[\mathbf{x}]) = \bigcup_{\mathbf{x}'} S(R[\mathbf{x}'])$. To prove that $S(R[\mathbf{x}])$ is an essential overring of $R[\mathbf{x}]$, let C be any non-zero ideal of $R[\mathbf{x}]$. Then there is a finite subset x' of x such that $0 \neq C \cap R[x']$. By Proposition 2.1 and Corollary 2.5, $(C \cap R[\mathbf{x}']) S(R[\mathbf{x}']) = S(R[\mathbf{x}'])$ and hence $CS(R[\mathbf{x}]) = S(R[\mathbf{x}])$ and, by symmetry, $S(R[\mathbf{x}]) C = S(R[\mathbf{x}])$. Hence $S(R[\mathbf{x}])$ is an essential overring of $R[\mathbf{x}]$ and is a simple ring by Lemma 2.2.

LEMMA 3.6. Let R be a Krull order in Q and let P be a prime videal of $R[\mathbf{x}]$. Then $R[\mathbf{x}] = P^{-1} \cap R[\mathbf{x}]_P$.

PROOF. Clearly $R[\mathbf{x}] \subseteq P^{-1} \cap R[\mathbf{x}]_P$. Since $P^{-1} \cap R[\mathbf{x}]_P$ is an $R[\mathbf{x}]$ -ideal contained in P^{-1} , we get, by Lemma 2 of [12], the following:

$$P^{-1} \cap R[\mathbf{x}]_P \subseteq P^{-1} \circ P \circ (P^{-1} \cap R[\mathbf{x}]_P)^* = P^{-1} \circ \left(P(P^{-1} \cap R[\mathbf{x}]_P) \right)^*$$
$$\subseteq P^{-1} \circ \left(PP^{-1} \cap PR[\mathbf{x}]_P \right)^* \subseteq P^{-1} \circ \left(R[\mathbf{x}] \cap PR[\mathbf{x}]_P \right)^* = P^{-1} \circ P = R[\mathbf{x}].$$

Hence $R[\mathbf{x}] = P^{-1} \cap R[\mathbf{x}]_{P}$.

THEOREM 3.7. Let R be a Krull order in Q. Then

(1) $R[\mathbf{x}] = \cap R[\mathbf{x}]_P \cap S(R[\mathbf{x}])$, where P ranges over all prime v-ideals of $R[\mathbf{x}]$. $R[\mathbf{x}]_P$ is a noetherian, local, Asano order. $S(R[\mathbf{x}])$ is a simple ring and is an essential overring of $R[\mathbf{x}]$.

(2) $R[\mathbf{x}]$ satisfies the condition (K3).

PROOF. (1) Let P be a prime v-ideal of $R[\mathbf{x}]$. By Lemma 3.3, there exist a finite subset \mathbf{x}' of \mathbf{x} and a prime v-ideal P' of $R[\mathbf{x}']$ such that $P = P'[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}']$. Hence, by Corollary 2.5 and Lemma 3.1, $R[\mathbf{x}]$ satisfies the Ore condition with respect to C(P) and $R[\mathbf{x}]_P$ is a noetherian, local, Asano order. The Asano overring $S(R[\mathbf{x}])$ is a simple ring and essential overring of $R[\mathbf{x}]$ by Lemma 3.5. It remains to prove that $R[\mathbf{x}] = \bigcap R[\mathbf{x}]_P \cap S(R[\mathbf{x}])$. But, by using Lemmas 3.4 and 3.6, the proof of this proceeds just like that of Theorem 3.1 of [8].

(2) Let V(P) be the set of all prime *v*-ideals of $R[\mathbf{x}]$ and, for any finite subset \mathbf{x}' of \mathbf{x} , let $V(P_{\mathbf{x}'})$ be the set of all prime *v*-ideals P such that $P=P'[\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}']$ for some prime *v*-ideal P' of $R[\mathbf{x}']$. If c is a regular element of $R[\mathbf{x}]$, then there is a finite subset \mathbf{x}_0 of \mathbf{x} such that $c \in R[\mathbf{x}_0]$. By Corollary 2.5, $cR[\mathbf{x}_0]_{P_0} \neq R[\mathbf{x}_0]_{P_0}$ for only finitely many prime *v*-ideals P_0 of $R[\mathbf{x}_0]$ and so, by Lemma 3.1, $cR[\mathbf{x}]_P \neq R[\mathbf{x}]_P$ for only finitely many P in $V(P_{\mathbf{x}_0})$. Hence it suffices to prove that $cR[\mathbf{x}]_P = R[\mathbf{x}]_P$ for all P in $V(P) - V(P_{\mathbf{x}_0})$. To prove this let P be any element in $V(P) - V(P_{\mathbf{x}_0})$. There are a finite subset \mathbf{x}' of \mathbf{x} and a prime *v*-ideal P' of $R[\mathbf{x}']$ such that $P=P'[\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}']$ by Lemma 3.3, *i.e.*, $P \in V(P_{\mathbf{x}'})$. Since $P \in V(P_{\mathbf{x}' \cup \mathbf{x}_0})$ and $P \notin V(P_{\mathbf{x}_0})$, we may assume that \mathbf{x}' is a minimal element of the set $\{\mathbf{x}' \mid \mathbf{x}' \cong \mathbf{x}_0$ and $P \in V(P_{\mathbf{x}'})\}$. Let \mathbf{x} be any element in \mathbf{x}' but not in \mathbf{x}_0 and let $\mathbf{x}'' = \mathbf{x}' - \{\mathbf{x}\}$. In case $\mathbf{x}'' = \mathbf{x}_0$, we consider the following;

$$Q(T) \subset Q(T) [x]$$

$$\bigcup_{\bigcup} U = R[\mathbf{x}_{\theta}] \subset T[x] (= R[\mathbf{x}']).$$

In case $\mathbf{x}'' \cong \mathbf{x}_0$, we consider the following;

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Q(R[\mathbf{x}_0]) \subset & Q(T) & \subset Q(T) \ [\mathbf{x}] \\ \cup & \cup & \cup \\ R[\mathbf{x}_0] & \subset T = R[\mathbf{x}''] \subset T[\mathbf{x}] \ (= R[\mathbf{x}']) \ . \end{array}$$

In both cases, there is a prime ideal Q' of Q(T)[x] such that $P' = Q' \cap R[x']$ and $R[x']_{P'} = Q(T)[x]_{Q'}$ by the proof of Theorem 2.4. Since c is a unit in $Q(R[x_0])$, it is a unit in $R[x']_{P'}$. Hence, since $R[x]_P \supseteq R[x']_{P'}$, we

have $cR[\mathbf{x}]_P = R[\mathbf{x}]_P$, as desired. By a symmetric proof, we have $R[\mathbf{x}]_P c \neq R[\mathbf{x}]_P$ for only finitely many P in V(P).

4. Polynomial and Formal Power Series Extensions

In this section, D will denote a commutative Krull domain with field of quotients K. As is well known, $D[\mathbf{x}]$ and $D[[\mathbf{x}]]$ are both Krull domains (cf [6, p. 532] and Theorem 2.1 of [5]). Here the formal power series ring $D[[\mathbf{x}]]$ is defined to be the union of the rings $D[[\mathbf{x}']]$, where \mathbf{x}' ranges over all finite subsets of \mathbf{x} . We denote the fields of quotients of $D[\mathbf{x}]$ and $D[[\mathbf{x}]]$ by $K(\mathbf{x})$ and $K((\mathbf{x}))$, respectively.

Let Σ be a central simple K-algebra with finite dimension over K and let Λ be a D-order in Σ in the sense of [4]. Then $\Sigma(\mathbf{x}) = \Sigma \bigotimes_K K(\mathbf{x})$ is a central simple $K(\mathbf{x})$ -algebra and $\Lambda[\mathbf{x}] \cong \Lambda \bigotimes_D D[\mathbf{x}]$ is a $D[\mathbf{x}]$ -order in $\Sigma(\mathbf{x})$. So, from Proposition 4.2 of [11] and Proposition 1.3, we have.

PROPOSITION 4.1. Let Σ be a central simple K-algebra and let Λ be a maximal D-order in Σ . Then $\Lambda[\mathbf{x}]$ is a maximal $D[\mathbf{x}]$ -order in $\Sigma(\mathbf{x})$.

In case \boldsymbol{x} is a finite set, this result was obtained by Fossum (cf. Theorem 1.11 of [4]).

LEMMA 4.2. Let Σ be a central simple K-algebra and let Λ be a D-order in Σ . Then

(1) The quotient ring $Q(\Lambda[[x]])$ of $\Lambda[[x]]$ is $\Lambda[[x]] \otimes_{D[[x]]} K((x))$ and is a simple artinian ring with finite dimension over K((x)).

(2) $Q(\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]])$ is central as a $K((\mathbf{x}))$ -algebra.

(3) $\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]]$ is a $D[[\mathbf{x}]]$ -order in $Q(\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]])$.

PROOF. First we note that $\Lambda[[x]]$ is a prime ring and that each non-zero element of D[[x]] is regular in $\Lambda[[x]]$.

(1) By Proposition 1.1 of [4], there exists a finitely generated D-free module F in Σ such that $\Lambda \subseteq F$. Then $F[[\mathbf{x}]]$ is a finitely generated $D[[\mathbf{x}]]$ -free module and so $F[[\mathbf{x}]] \bigotimes_{D[[\mathbf{x}]]} K((\mathbf{x}))$ is a finite dimensional $K((\mathbf{x}))$ -space. Thus $\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]] \bigotimes_{D[[\mathbf{x}]]} K((\mathbf{x}))$ is also a finite dimensional $K((\mathbf{x}))$ -space, which implies that it is an artinian ring. Further, $\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]] \bigotimes_{D[[\mathbf{x}]]} K((\mathbf{x}))$ is an essential extension of $\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]]$ as $D[[\mathbf{x}]]$ -modules (hence, as $\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]]$ -modules). It follows that $\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]] \bigotimes_{D[[\mathbf{x}]]} K((\mathbf{x}))$ is a simple artinian ring and is a quotient ring of $\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]]$, since $\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]]$ is a prime ring.

(2) Since $\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]]$ is $D[[\mathbf{x}]]$ -torsion-free, we may assume that

$$\Lambda \big[[\boldsymbol{x}] \big] \bigotimes_{D[[\boldsymbol{x}]]} K \big((\boldsymbol{x}) \big) = \Lambda \big[[\boldsymbol{x}] \big] K \big((\boldsymbol{x}) \big)$$

as in [3, p. 1045], and hence it contains Σ . let $\{f_i\} q$ be any element of

$$\begin{split} &\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]] \bigotimes_{D[[\mathbf{x}]]} K((\mathbf{x})), \text{ where } \{f_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty} \in \Lambda[[\mathbf{x}']] \text{ for some finite subset } \mathbf{x}' = \{x_1, \cdots, x_s\} \\ &\text{ of } \mathbf{x}, \text{ each } f_i \in \Lambda[\mathbf{x}'] \text{ and } f_i \text{ is either } 0 \text{ or a form of degree } i. \\ &\text{ Suppose that } \{f_i\} q \text{ is an element in the center of } \Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]] \bigotimes K((\mathbf{x})) \text{ and that } \{f_i\}q \neq 0. \\ &\text{ Then } \sigma(\{f_i\} q) = (\{f_i\} q) \sigma \text{ for every } \sigma \in \Sigma. \\ &\text{ Since } \{\sigma f_i\} q = \{f_i\sigma\} q, \text{ we get } \sigma f_i = f_i\sigma \text{ for all } i. \\ &\text{ Write } f_i = a_{i1}x_1^{n_{11}}\cdots x_s^{n_{1s}} + \cdots + a_{it}x_1^{n_{t1}}\cdots n_{ts}, \text{ where } n_{j1} + \cdots + n_{js} = i \text{ for } j=1, \cdots, t \text{ and } a_{ij} \in \Lambda. \\ &\text{ Then } a_{ij}\sigma = \sigma a_{ij} \text{ implies that } a_{ij} \text{ belongs } \text{ to the center of } \Lambda \text{ and so } a_{ij} \in D. \\ &\text{ Hence } \{f_i\} q \in K((\mathbf{x})). \\ &\text{ This implies that } Q(\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]]) \text{ is central as } K((\mathbf{x}))\text{-algebras.} \end{split}$$

(3) It only remains to prove that each element of $\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]]$ is integral over $D[[\mathbf{x}]]$. To prove this let p be a minimal prime ideal of $D[[\mathbf{x}]]$. Then $\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]] \otimes_{D[[\mathbf{x}]]} D[[\mathbf{x}]]_p \subseteq F[[\mathbf{x}]] \otimes_{D[[\mathbf{x}]]} D[[\mathbf{x}]]_p$, where F is a finitely generated D-free module in Σ such that $F \supseteq \Lambda$, the latter is finitely generated as $D[[\mathbf{x}]]_p$ modules and so is the former. Hence each element of $\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]] \otimes_{D[[\mathbf{x}]]} D[[\mathbf{x}]]_p$ is integral over $D[[\mathbf{x}]]_p$ by Theorem 8.6 of [15]. Hence each element of $\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]] \otimes_{D[[\mathbf{x}]]} D[[\mathbf{x}]]_p$ and $D[[\mathbf{x}]] = \cap D[[\mathbf{x}]]_p$, where p ranges over all minimal prime ideals of $D[[\mathbf{x}]]$.

PROPOSITION 4.3. Let Σ be a central simple K-algebra and let Λ be a maximal D-order in Σ . Then $\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]]$ is a maximal $D[[\mathbf{x}]]$ -order in $\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]] \bigotimes_{D[[\mathbf{x}]]} K((\mathbf{x})).$

PROOF. By Proposition 4.2 of [11] and Lemma 4.2, it suffices to prove that $\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]]$ is a maximal order in $Q(\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]])$ as rings. Firstly we shall prove this in case $\mathbf{x} = \{x\}$. Let A be any non-zero ideal of $\Lambda[[x]]$ and q be any element of $O_i(A)$. By the same way as Lemma 2' of [17], there is a regular element $c(x) = c_n x^n + c_{n+1} x^{n+1} + \cdots + (c_n : \text{regular})$ of $\Lambda[[x]]$ such that $c(x) q = \lambda(x) \in \Lambda[[x]]$. We get $c(x)^{-1} = x^{-n} d(x)$ for some $d(x) \in \Sigma[[x]]$ by the method of [6, p. 7]. Thus $q = c(x)^{-1}\lambda(x) = x^{-n}d(x)\lambda(x)$ and put $e(x) = c(x)^{-1}\lambda(x) = x^{-n}d(x)\lambda(x)$ $d(x) \lambda(x) = e_0 + e_1 x + \dots + e_n x^n + \dots \in \Sigma[[x]].$ We set $A_i = \{a_i | a_i x^i + a_{i+1} x^{i+1} + \dots \in \Sigma[[x]]\}$ $\dots \in A \cup \{0\}$ for non-negative integers *i* and set $A^* = \bigcup_i A_i$. Assume that $A_0 = A_1 = \cdots = A_{i-1} = 0$ and $A_i \neq 0$. Since A_i is an ideal of Λ , there is a regular element a_i in A_i by Goldie's theorem [7] and is an element $a(x) \in A$ such that $a(x) = a_i x^i + a_{i+1} x^{i+1} + \cdots$. Then we get that $qa(x) = x^{-n}e(x) a(x)$ $\in A$ and $e(x) a(x) \in x^n A$. Hence $e_0 = e_1 = \cdots = e_{n-1} = 0$, because $(x^n A)_0 = \cdots$ $=(x^n A)_{n+i-1}=0$ and a_i is regular. Hence $q=x^{-n}e(x)\in\Sigma$ [[x]], and write $q=q_0+q_1x+\cdots+q_nx^n+\cdots$, where $q_i\in\Sigma$. For any non-zero element b_k of A*, there exists $b(x) = b_k x^k + b_{k+1} x^{k+1} + \cdots$ in A. Then $q_a b_k \in A^*$, because $qb(x) \in A$ and so $q_0 \in O_1(A^*) = A$. Assume that $q_0, \dots, q_{j-1} \in A$ and put $q_{j}(x) = q(x) - (q_{\theta} + q_{1}x + \dots + q_{j-1}x^{j-1})$. Then since $q_{j}(x) A \subseteq q(x) A - (q_{\theta} + q_{1}x)$ $+\cdots+q_{j-1}x^{j-1}$ $A\subseteq A$, it follows that $q_j\in A$ by the same way as the above.

Hence $q \in \Lambda[[x]]$ by an induction. Thus $O_l(A) = \Lambda[[x]]$ and, by symmetry, $O_r(A) = \Lambda[[x]]$. Hence $\Lambda[[x]]$ is a maximal order in $Q(\Lambda[[x]])$. In particular if \mathbf{x} is finite, then $\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]]$ is a maximal order in $Q(\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]])$. Assume that \mathbf{x} is infinite and let B be any non-zero ideal of $\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]]$. If q is any element of $O_l(B)$, then there exists a finite subset \mathbf{x}' of \mathbf{x} such that $B \cap \Lambda[[\mathbf{x}']]$ is non-zero and $q \in Q(\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}']])$. It follows that $q(B \cap \Lambda[[\mathbf{x}']]) \subseteq B \cap Q(\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}']]) = B \cap Q(\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}']]) = B \cap \Lambda[[\mathbf{x}']] = B \cap \Lambda[[\mathbf{x}']]$. Hence $q \in O_l(B \cap \Lambda[[\mathbf{x}']]) = \Lambda[[\mathbf{x}']]$ and thus $O_l(B) = \Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]]$. By symmetric proof, we get $O_r(B) = \Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]]$ and therefore $\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]]$ is a maximal order in $Q(\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]])$.

REMARK. (1) In case $x = \{x\}$ and D is a regular local ring, the proposition was proved by Ramras [14].

(2) Let Σ be a central simple K-algebra and let Λ be a D-order in Σ . If Λ is a Krull order in Σ , then $\Lambda[\mathbf{x}]$ and $\Lambda[[\mathbf{x}]]$ are both Krull orders by Proposition 4.2 of [11] and Propositions 4.1 and 4.3.

(3) Let R be a noetherian prime Goldie ring with quotient ring Q. By [17], R[[x]] is also a noetherian prime Goldie ring with quotient ring Q(R[[x]]). The same proof as Proposition 4.3 gives that if R is a maximal order in Q, then R[[x]] is a maximal order in Q(R[[x]]).

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