

AN ASSOCIATED SEQUENCE OF IDEALS OF AN INCREASING SEQUENCE OF RINGS

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ABSTRACT. Let $\mathcal{A} = (A_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be an increasing sequence of rings. We say that $\mathcal{I} = (I_n)_{n \geq 0}$ is an associated sequence of ideals of \mathcal{A} if $I_0 = A_0$ and for each $n \geq 1$, I_n is an ideal of A_n contained in I_{n+1} . We define the polynomial ring and the power series ring as follows: $\mathcal{I}[X] = \{f = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i X^i \in \mathcal{A}[X] : n \in \mathbb{N}, a_i \in I_i\}$ and $\mathcal{I}[[X]] = \{f = \sum_{i=0}^{+\infty} a_i X^i \in \mathcal{A}[[X]] : a_i \in I_i\}$. In this paper we study the Noetherian and the SFT properties of these rings and their consequences.

Introduction

In this paper, a ring means a commutative ring with identity and every considered module are left side and unitary. Let $\mathcal{A} = (A_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be an increasing sequence of rings. According to Y. Haouat in [4], we define the polynomial and the power series subrings of $\mathcal{A}[[X]]$, where $A = \bigcup_{n=0}^{+\infty} A_n$, by $\mathcal{A}[X] = \{f = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i X^i \in \mathcal{A}[X], a_i \in A_i, 0 \leq i \leq n\}$ and $\mathcal{A}[[X]] = \{f = \sum_{i=0}^{+\infty} a_i X^i \in \mathcal{A}[[X]], a_i \in A_i, i \geq 0\}$. Y. Haouat in [4] had proved that $\mathcal{A}[X]$ is Noetherian if and only if $\mathcal{A}[[X]]$ is Noetherian if and only if the ring A_0 is Noetherian and the A_0 -module A is finitely generated, where X is one indeterminate over A . We prove that we have the same even when X has more than one variable. This construction includes the rings of the form $A + XB[X]$ and $A + XB[[X]]$, where $A \subseteq B$ is a ring extension. On the other hand, M. D'anna, C. A. Finocchiaro and M. Fontana in [2] had shown that if $A \subseteq B$ is a ring extension and I an ideal of B , then $A + XI[X]$ is Noetherian if and only if the ring A is Noetherian, I is an idempotent ideal of B and it is finitely generated as an A -module. The naturel question in this case is when is $A + XI[[X]]$ Noetherian? In this work, we generalize these forms of ring as follows. Let $\mathcal{A} = (A_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be an increasing sequence of rings. We say that $\mathcal{I} = (I_n)_{n \geq 0}$ is an associated sequence of ideals of \mathcal{A} if $I_0 = A_0$ and for each $n \geq 1$, I_n is an ideal of A_n contained in I_{n+1} . We define the polynomial ring and the power series ring as follows. $\mathcal{I}[X] = \{f = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i X^i \in \mathcal{A}[X] : n \in \mathbb{N}, a_i \in I_i\}$ and

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$\mathcal{I}[[X]] = \{f = \sum_{i=0}^{+\infty} a_i X^i \in \mathcal{A}[[X]] : a_i \in I_i\}$. We give a sufficient condition for the rings $\mathcal{I}[X]$ and $\mathcal{I}[[X]]$ to be Noetherian and we answer the question posed above. In fact, we show that A is Noetherian and the ideal I is idempotent and it is finitely generated as an A -module if and only if $A + XI[[X]]$ is Noetherian. We find the result of S. Hizem and A. Benhissi in [5] when $I = B$. This generalization covers another kind of ring, those of the form $A + X^n I[X]$ and $A + X^n I[[X]]$, where $n \geq 1$ an integer.

Arnold in [1] has introduced the SFT property. He called a ring A to be SFT, if for each ideal I of A there exist a finitely generated ideal $F \subseteq I$ and an integer $n \geq 1$ such that $x^n \in F$ for every $x \in I$. This property have played an important role in the Krull dimension theory of power series ring. B. G. Kang and M. H. Park in [6] had showed that if A is an SFT Prüfer domain, then the mixed ring $A[X_1][X_2] \cdots [X_k]$ is SFT, where $k \geq 1$ is an integer and $[X] = [X]$ or $[X] = [[X]]$. By using their result and some results of the I -adic topology, we give sufficient conditions for the rings of the form $\mathcal{I}[X]$ and $\mathcal{I}[[X]]$ to be SFT, where $\mathcal{I} = (I_n)_{n \geq 0}$ is an associated sequence of ideals of a given increasing sequence of rings $\mathcal{A} = (A_n)_{n \geq 0}$. This helps us to give sufficient conditions for the rings of the form $A + XI[X]$ and $A + XI[[X]]$ to be SFT as an easy consequence, where $A \subseteq B$ is a ring extension and I is an ideal of B . At the end of this paper, we prove that for a ring extension $A \subseteq B$, if A is an SFT Prüfer domain and B is a finitely generated A -module, then B is also SFT.

1. The Noetherian property

We start this section by the following definition.

Definition. Let $\mathcal{A} = (A_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be an increasing sequence of rings. We say that $\mathcal{I} = (I_n)_{n \geq 0}$ is an associated sequence of ideals of \mathcal{A} if $I_0 = A_0$ and for each $n \geq 1$, I_n is an ideal of A_n contained in I_{n+1} .

Example 1.1. Let A be a ring, $A_0 = A = I_0$ and for each $n \geq 1$, $A_n = A[X_1, \dots, X_n]$ and $I_n = \langle X_1, \dots, X_n \rangle A_n$. Then $\mathcal{I} = (I_n)_{n \geq 0}$ is an associated sequence of ideals of $\mathcal{A} = (A_n)_{n \geq 0}$.

Notation 1. Let $\mathcal{A} = (A_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be an increasing sequence of rings and $\mathcal{I} = (I_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be an associated sequence of ideals of \mathcal{A} .

- (1) We denote by $\mathcal{I}[X] = \{f = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i X^i \in \mathcal{A}[X] : n \in \mathbb{N}, a_i \in I_i\}$.
- (2) We denote by $\mathcal{I}[[X]] = \{f = \sum_{i=0}^{+\infty} a_i X^i \in \mathcal{A}[[X]] : a_i \in I_i\}$.

Remark 1.2. Under the same notations, the set $\mathcal{I}[X]$ (resp. $\mathcal{I}[[X]]$) is a subring of $\mathcal{A}[X]$ (resp. $\mathcal{A}[[X]]$).

Proposition 1.3. *Let $\mathcal{A} = (A_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be an increasing sequence of rings and $\mathcal{I} = (I_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be an associated sequence of ideals of \mathcal{A} . If $\mathcal{I}[X]$ is Noetherian, then*

- (1) *The ring A_0 is Noetherian.*

- (2) For every $n \geq 1$, the A_0 -module I_n is finitely generated.
- (3) There exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that, for each $n \geq N$, $I_n = I_N = I_N^2$.

Proof. (1) Let J be an ideal of A_0 . Then $J\mathcal{I}[X]$ is an ideal of $\mathcal{I}[X]$, hence finitely generated. It yields that there exist $a_1, \dots, a_n \in J$ such that, $J\mathcal{I}[X] = \langle a_1, \dots, a_n \rangle \mathcal{I}[X]$. Thus $J = \langle a_1, \dots, a_n \rangle A_0$. Therefore, A_0 is a Noetherian ring.

(2) Let $n \geq 1$. The ideal J of $\mathcal{I}[X]$ generated by $\{aX^n, a \in I_n\}$ is finitely generated. Then there exist $a_1, \dots, a_k \in I_n$ such that

$$J = \langle a_1X^n, \dots, a_kX^n \rangle \mathcal{I}[X].$$

Let $a \in I_n$. There exist $f_1, \dots, f_k \in \mathcal{I}[X]$ such that, $aX^n = \sum_{i=1}^k f_i a_i X^n$. Since X^n is a regular element, $a = \sum_{i=1}^k f_i a_i$. Thus $a = \sum_{i=1}^k f_i(0) a_i$ with $f_i(0) \in I_0 = A_0$. Hence the A_0 -module I_n is finitely generated.

(3) The ideal J of $\mathcal{I}[X]$ generated by $\{a_n X^n, n \geq 1, a_n \in I_n\}$ is finitely generated. Then there exist $k \geq 1$ and $a_{i,j} \in I_i, 1 \leq i \leq k, 1 \leq j \leq n_i$ such that, $J = \langle a_{i,j} X^i, 1 \leq i \leq k, 1 \leq j \leq n_i \rangle \mathcal{I}[X]$. Let $n \geq k + 1, a \in I_n$. There exist $f_{i,j} \in \mathcal{I}[X], 1 \leq i \leq k, 1 \leq j \leq n_i$ such that, $aX^n = \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} f_{i,j} a_{i,j} X^i$. For $1 \leq i \leq k, 1 \leq j \leq n_i$, denote $f_{i,j} = \sum_{l=0}^{N_{i,j}} \alpha_{i,j,l} X^l$ with $\alpha_{i,j,l} \in I_i, 0 \leq l \leq N_{i,j}$. Thus $a = \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} a_{i,j} \alpha_{i,j,n-i} \in I_k(I_{n-k} + \dots + I_{n-1}) = I_k I_{n-1}$. Hence $I_n \subset I_k I_{n-1} \subseteq I_k$. Therefore, we have the equality.

Let $a \in I_k$. The ideal L of $\mathcal{I}[X]$ generated by $\{aX^i, i \geq k\}$ is finitely generated. Thus there exists $n \geq 1$ such that, $L = \langle aX^k, \dots, aX^{k+n} \rangle \mathcal{I}[X]$. Since $aX^{2k+n} \in L$, there exist $f_0, \dots, f_n \in \mathcal{I}[X]$ such that $aX^{2k+n} = \sum_{i=0}^n f_i aX^{k+i}$. For $1 \leq i \leq n$, denote $f_i = \sum_{j=0}^{n_i} a_{i,j} X^j$. By identification of the coefficient of X^{2k+n} , we obtain that $a = \sum_{i=0}^n a a_{i,k+n-i} \in I_k^2$. Hence $I_k = I_k^2$. \square

Example 1.4. Let A be a ring, $B = A[Y], n \geq 1$ and $J_n = Y^n B$. Then for each $m \geq 1$, the ring $B + X^m J_n[X] = A[Y] + X^m Y^n A[X, Y]$ is not Noetherian. Indeed, let $I_0 = A_k = B$ for every $k \geq 0, I_1 = \dots = I_{m-1} = \{0\}$ for each $k \geq m, I_k = J_n$ and $\mathcal{I} = (I_k)_{k \geq 0}$. It is clear that $\mathcal{I}[X] = B + X^m J_n[X]$. If $B + X^m J_n[X]$ is Noetherian, by Proposition 1.3, J_n is an idempotent ideal of B which is not the case.

Example 1.5. Let $n, m \geq 2$ be two integers, $A_0 = A_1 = A_2 = \dots = \mathbb{Z}, I_0 = \mathbb{Z}, I_k = n^{m-k} \mathbb{Z}$ for $1 \leq k \leq m - 1$ and $I_k = n\mathbb{Z}$ for each $k \geq m$. Then $\mathcal{I}[X]$ is not Noetherian with $\mathcal{I} = (I_k)_{k \geq 0}$, because I_m is not idempotent.

Recall that for a ring A , every finitely generated idempotent ideal is principal. In fact, this kind of ideal is generated by an idempotent element (by [3, Lemma 1]). By using this result we have the following proposition.

Proposition 1.6. Let $\mathcal{A} = (A_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be an increasing sequence of rings and $\mathcal{I} = (I_n)_{n \geq 0}$ an associated sequence of ideals of \mathcal{A} . Assume that

- (1) The ring A_0 is Noetherian.

- (2) For each $n \geq 1$, the A_0 -module I_n is finitely generated.
- (3) There exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that, for every $n \geq N$, $I_n = I_N = I_N^2$ and I_1 contains the idempotent generator of I_N .

Then the ring $\mathcal{I}[X]$ is Noetherian.

Proof. For $1 \leq k \leq N$, let $\{a_{k,i}, 1 \leq i \leq n_k\}$ be a generator family of A_0 -module I_k and e_N an idempotent generator of I_N (i.e., $I_N = e_N A_N$ with $e_N^2 = e_N$). Add a family of indeterminates $Y = \{Y_{k,j}, 1 \leq k \leq N, 1 \leq j \leq n_k\}$ over A_0 . Let $A = \bigcup_{n=0}^{+\infty} A_n$. Let $\phi : A_0[X, Y] \rightarrow A[X]$ be the A_0 -homomorphism of rings such that $\phi(X) = e_N X$, $\phi(Y_{k,j}) = a_{k,j} X^k$, $1 \leq k \leq N, 1 \leq j \leq n_k$. It is easy to check that $\phi(A_0[X, Y]) \subseteq \mathcal{I}[X]$. Conversely, let $f = \sum_{i=0}^N \alpha_i X^i + \sum_{N+1}^l \alpha_i X^i \in \mathcal{I}[X]$. For $1 \leq i \leq N$, we put $\alpha_i = \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} \beta_{i,j} a_{i,j}$ with $\beta_{i,j} \in A_0$. For $N + 1 \leq i \leq l$, $\alpha_i \in I_i = I_N$, then we put $\alpha_i = \sum_{j=1}^{n_N} \gamma_{i,j} a_{N,j}$ with $\gamma_{i,j} \in A_0$. It yields that

$$\begin{aligned} f &= \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} \beta_{i,j} a_{i,j} X^i + \sum_{i=N+1}^l \sum_{j=1}^{n_N} \gamma_{i,j} a_{N,j} X^i \\ &= \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} \beta_{i,j} a_{i,j} X^i + \sum_{j=1}^{n_N} \left(\sum_{i=N+1}^l \gamma_{i,j} X^{i-N} \right) a_{N,j} X^N \\ &= \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} \beta_{i,j} a_{i,j} X^i + \sum_{j=1}^{n_N} \left(\sum_{i=N+1}^l \gamma_{i,j} X^{i-N} \right) e_N a_{N,j} X^N \\ &= \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} \beta_{i,j} a_{i,j} X^i + \sum_{j=1}^{n_N} \left(\sum_{i=N+1}^l \gamma_{i,j} (e_N X)^{i-N} \right) a_{N,j} X^N = \phi(g), \end{aligned}$$

where $g = \alpha_0 + \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} \beta_{i,j} Y_{i,j} + \sum_{j=1}^{n_N} \left(\sum_{i=N+1}^l \gamma_{i,j} X^{i-N} \right) Y_{N,j} \in A_0[X, Y]$. Thus $\mathcal{I}[X] \subseteq \phi(A_0[X, Y])$. Therefore, $\mathcal{I}[X] = \phi(A_0[X, Y])$. Hence $\mathcal{I}[X] \simeq A_0[X, Y]/\ker(\phi)$ is Noetherian because A_0 is Noetherian. \square

Corollary 1.7 ([4, Chap. V, Proposition 1.2]). *Let $\mathcal{A} = (A_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be an increasing sequence of rings. The following statements are equivalent:*

- (1) The ring $\mathcal{A}[X]$ is Noetherian.
- (2) The ring A_0 is Noetherian, the sequence \mathcal{A} is stationary and for each $n \geq 1$ the A_0 -module A_n is finitely generated.

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2) It follows from Proposition 1.3.

(2) \Rightarrow (1) The idempotent generator of A_n is $1 \in A_1$ for each $n \geq 1$. By Proposition 1.6, the ring $\mathcal{A}[X]$ is Noetherian. \square

Proposition 1.8. *Let $\mathcal{A} = (A_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be an increasing sequence of rings and $\mathcal{I} = (I_n)_{n \geq 0}$ an associated sequence of ideals of \mathcal{A} . If $\mathcal{I}[[X]]$ is Noetherian, then*

- (1) The ring A_0 is Noetherian.

- (2) For each $n \geq 1$, the A_0 -module I_n is finitely generated.
- (3) There exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that, for each $n \geq N$, $I_n = I_N = I_N^2$.

Proof. The same proof as in the case of polynomial ring in Proposition 1.3. \square

Lemma 1.9. *Let $\mathcal{A} = (A_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be an increasing sequence of rings and $\mathcal{I} = (I_n)_{n \geq 0}$ an associated sequence of ideals of \mathcal{A} . Assume that there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that, for each $n \geq N$, $I_n = I_N = I_N^2$, the A_0 -module I_N is finitely generated and I_1 contains the idempotent generator of I_N . Then $\mathcal{I}[[X]]$ is the completion of $\mathcal{I}[X]$ for the $X^N I_N \mathcal{I}[X]$ -adic topology.*

Proof. Denote $J = X^N I_N \mathcal{I}[[X]]$. Since $\bigcap_{n=1}^{+\infty} J^n = \{0\}$, $\mathcal{I}[[X]]$ is Hausdorff for its J -adic topology. We have $J \cap \mathcal{I}[X] = X^N I_N \mathcal{I}[X]$. Indeed, let $f = \sum_{i=N}^k a_i X^i \in J \cap \mathcal{I}[X]$. $f = \sum_{i=N}^k a_i X^N (e_N X)^{i-N}$ with e_N is the idempotent generator of I_N . Since $N \leq i \leq k$, $a_i \in I_i = I_N$ and $(e_N X)^{i-N} \in \mathcal{I}[X]$, $f \in X^N I_N \mathcal{I}[X]$. Therefore, the J -adic topology of $\mathcal{I}[[X]]$ induces the $X^N I_N \mathcal{I}[X]$ -adic topology over $\mathcal{I}[X]$. Let $f = \sum_{i=0}^{+\infty} a_i X^i \in \mathcal{I}[[X]]$ and for each $k \geq 1$, $g_k = \sum_{i=0}^k a_i X^i$. For every $l \geq 1$ and $k \geq lN$, $f - g_k = \sum_{i=k+1}^{+\infty} a_i X^i \in X^{k+1} I_N \mathcal{I}[X]$. Indeed, $f - g_k = \sum_{i=k+1}^{k+1+N} a_i X^{k+1} (e_N X)^{i-(k+1)} + e_N X^{k+1} \sum_{i=k+2+N}^{+\infty} a_i X^{i-(k+1)}$ with $e_N \in I_N$, $\sum_{i=k+2+N}^{+\infty} a_i X^{i-(k+1)} \in \mathcal{I}[[X]]$, for each $k+1 \leq i \leq k+1+N$, $a_i \in I_i = I_N$ (because $i \geq N$) and $e_N X \in \mathcal{I}[[X]]$. By the same process we show that $X^{k+1} I_N \mathcal{I}[[X]] \subseteq X^l(N) I_N \mathcal{I}[[X]]$. It yields that $f \in X^{k+1} I_N \mathcal{I}[[X]] \subseteq X^{lN} I_N \mathcal{I}[[X]] = (X^N I_N)^l \mathcal{I}[[X]] = J^l$ (because I_N is idempotent). Then f is the limit of $(g_k)_{k \geq 1}$ in $\mathcal{I}[X]$ for its J -adic topology.

Conversely, let $(g_k)_{k \geq 0}$ be a Cauchy's sequence of $\mathcal{I}[X]$ for its $X^N I_N \mathcal{I}[X]$ -adic topology and $g = g_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{+\infty} (g_i - g_{i-1})$. Since $(g_k)_{k \geq 0}$ is a Cauchy's sequence, $g \in \mathcal{I}[[X]]$. Let $l \geq 1$. There exists $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that, for each $k \geq k_0$, $g_{k+1} - g_k \in (X^N I_N \mathcal{I}[X])^l \subseteq J^l$. Thus $g - g_k = \sum_{i=k+1}^{+\infty} (g_i - g_{i-1}) = \sum_{i=lN}^{+\infty} a_j X^j = \sum_{j=lN}^{2lN} a_j X^N (e_N X)^{j-lN} + e_N X^{lN} \sum_{j=2lN+1}^{+\infty} a_j X^{j-lN} \in J^l$ for every $k \geq k_0$. Hence, g is the limit of $(g_k)_{k \geq 0}$ in $\mathcal{I}[[X]]$ for its J -adic topology. \square

Theorem 1.10. *Let $\mathcal{A} = (A_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be an increasing sequence of rings and $\mathcal{I} = (I_n)_{n \geq 0}$ an associated sequence of ideals of \mathcal{A} . Assume that*

- (1) The ring A_0 is Noetherian.
- (2) For each $n \geq 1$, the A_0 -module I_n is finitely generated.
- (3) There exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that, for each $n \geq N$, $I_n = I_N = I_N^2$ and I_1 contains the idempotent generator of I_N .

Then the ring $\mathcal{I}[[X]]$ is Noetherian.

Proof. By Proposition 1.6, the ring $\mathcal{I}[X]$ is Noetherian. By Lemma 1.9, $\mathcal{I}[[X]]$ is the completion of $\mathcal{I}[X]$ for its $X^N I_N \mathcal{I}[X]$ -adic topology. Hence $\mathcal{I}[[X]]$ is Noetherian. \square

In the next corollary the equivalence (1) \Rightarrow (2) is shown in [2, Example 5.11]. It is an easy consequence of Propositions 1.3 and 1.6.

Corollary 1.11. *Let $A \subseteq B$ be a ring extension and I an ideal of B . The following statements are equivalent:*

- (1) *The ring A is Noetherian, the ideal I is idempotent and it is a finitely generated A -module.*
- (2) *The ring $A + XI[X]$ is Noetherian.*
- (3) *The ring $A + XI[[X]]$ is Noetherian.*

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2) It follows from Proposition 1.6.

(2) \Rightarrow (1) It follows from Proposition 1.3.

(1) \Rightarrow (3) It follows from Theorem 1.10.

(3) \Rightarrow (1) It follows from Proposition 1.8. □

Notation 2. Let $\mathcal{A} = (A_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be an increasing sequence of rings and $X = \{X_1, \dots, X_k\}$ a finite set of indeterminates over $A = \bigcup_{n=0}^{+\infty} A_n$.

- (1) For $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k) \in \mathbb{N}^k$, denote $X^\alpha = X_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots X_k^{\alpha_k}$ and $|\alpha| = \alpha_1 + \cdots + \alpha_k$.
- (2) Denote $\mathcal{A}[X] = \{f = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^k} a_\alpha X^\alpha \in A[X], a_\alpha \in A_{|\alpha|}\}$.
- (3) Denote $\mathcal{A}[[X]] = \{f = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^k} a_\alpha X^\alpha \in A[[X]], a_\alpha \in A_{|\alpha|}\}$.

Proposition 1.12. *Let $\mathcal{A} = (A_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be an increasing sequence of rings and $X = \{X_1, \dots, X_k\}$ a finite set of indeterminates over $A = \bigcup_{n=0}^{+\infty} A_n$. The following statements are equivalent:*

- (1) *The ring A_0 is Noetherian, the sequence \mathcal{A} is stationary and the A_0 -module A_n is finitely generated for every $n \geq 1$.*
- (2) *The polynomial ring $\mathcal{A}[X]$ is Noetherian.*
- (3) *The power series ring $\mathcal{A}[[X]]$ is Noetherian.*

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2) and (3). Since \mathcal{A} is stationary, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $A = A_N$ (because $A_n \subseteq A_N$ for each $n \geq 0$). But the A_0 -module A_N is finitely generated, hence the A_0 -module A is finitely generated. Thus the $A_0[X]$ -module (resp. $A_0[[X]]$ -module) $A[X]$ (resp. $A[[X]]$) is finitely generated. Since A_0 is Noetherian, the ring $A_0[X]$ (resp. $A_0[[X]]$) is Noetherian. It yields that the $A_0[X]$ -module (resp. $A_0[[X]]$ -module) $A[X]$ (resp. $A[[X]]$) is Noetherian. Therefore, the $A_0[X]$ -submodule (resp. $A_0[[X]]$ -submodule) $\mathcal{A}[X]$ (resp. $\mathcal{A}[[X]]$) of $A[X]$ (resp. of $A[[X]]$) is Noetherian. Thus the rings $\mathcal{A}[X]$ and $\mathcal{A}[[X]]$ are Noetherian.

(2) \Rightarrow (1) It is clear that if $\mathcal{A}[X]$ is Noetherian, so is $\mathcal{A}[X_1]$. By Proposition 1.3, we have the result.

(3) \Rightarrow (1) Same proof as (2) \Rightarrow (1) by using Proposition 1.8 instead of Proposition 1.3. □

2. The SFT property

Proposition 2.1. *Let $\mathcal{A} = (A_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be an increasing sequence of rings and $\mathcal{I} = (I_n)_{n \geq 0}$ an associated sequence of ideals of \mathcal{A} . Assume that*

- (1) A_0 is an SFT Prüfer domain.
- (2) For each $n \geq 1$, the A_0 -module I_n is finitely generated.
- (3) There exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that, for each $n \geq N$, $I_n = I_N = I_N^2$ and I_1 contains the idempotent generator of I_N .

Then the ring $\mathcal{I}[X]$ is SFT.

Proof. As in the proof of Proposition 1.6, we show that $\mathcal{I}[X] \simeq A_0[X, Y]/J$, where Y is a finite set of indeterminates over A_0 and J an ideal of $A_0[X, Y]$. By [6, Proposition 10], $A_0[X, Y]$ is an SFT ring, and so is $\mathcal{I}[X]$. \square

Example 2.2. Let $\mathcal{A} = (A_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be an increasing sequence of rings. Assume that

- (1) A_0 is an SFT Prüfer domain.
- (2) The A_0 -module A_n is finitely generated for each $n \geq 1$.
- (3) The sequence \mathcal{A} is stationary.

Then the ring $\mathcal{A}[X]$ is SFT.

Corollary 2.3. *Let $A \subseteq B$ be a ring extension and I an idempotent ideal of B . Assume that A is an SFT Prüfer domain and the A -module I is finitely generated. Then $A + XI[X]$ is an SFT ring.*

Theorem 2.4. *Let $\mathcal{A} = (A_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be an increasing sequence of rings and $\mathcal{I} = (I_n)_{n \geq 0}$ an associated sequence of ideals of \mathcal{A} . Assume that*

- (1) A_0 is an SFT Prüfer domain.
- (2) For each $n \geq 1$, the A_0 -module I_n is finitely generated.
- (3) There exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that, for each $n \geq N$, $I_n = I_N = I_N^2$ and I_1 contains the idempotent generator of I_N .

Then the ring $\mathcal{I}[[X]]$ is SFT.

Proof. As in the proof of Proposition 1.6, we show that there exist $Y = \{Y_1, \dots, Y_k\}$ a finite family of indeterminates over A_0 and an ideal J of $A_0[X, Y]$ such that, $\mathcal{I}[X] \simeq A_0[X, Y]/J$. Let $\phi : \mathcal{I}[X] \rightarrow A_0[X, Y]/J$ be such an isomorphism and $F = \phi(X^N I_N \mathcal{I}[X])$. By Lemma 1.9, $\mathcal{I}[[X]]$ is the completion of $\mathcal{I}[X]$ for its $X^N I_N \mathcal{I}[X]$ -adic topology, it yields that the ring $\mathcal{I}[[X]]$ is isomorphic to the completion of $A_0[X, Y]/J$ for its F -adic topology. We have $I_N = \langle a_1, \dots, a_m \rangle A_0$ with $a_1, \dots, a_m \in I_N$. Therefore,

$$X^N I_N = \langle a_1 X^N, \dots, a_m X^N \rangle A_0.$$

Thus $X^N I_N \mathcal{I}[X] = \langle a_1 X^N, \dots, a_m X^N \rangle \mathcal{I}[X]$ is a finitely generated ideal of $\mathcal{I}[X]$. Hence F is a finitely generated ideal of $A_0[X, Y]/J$. Then

$$\mathcal{I}[[X]] \simeq (A_0[X, Y]/J)[[Z]]/Q \simeq (A_0[X, Y][[Z]]/J[[Z]])/Q,$$

where $Z = \{Z_1, \dots, Z_m\}$ is a finite family of indeterminates over A_0 and Q is an ideal of $(A_0[X, Y]/J)[[Z]]$. By [6, Proposition 10], $A_0[X, Y][[Z]]$ is an SFT ring, so is $(A_0[X, Y][[Z]]/J[[Z]])/Q$. Hence $\mathcal{I}[[X]]$ is an SFT ring. \square

The next two corollaries are a simple application of the previous theorem.

Corollary 2.5. *Let $A \subseteq B$ be a ring extension and I an idempotent ideal of B . Assume that A is an SFT Prüfer domain and the A -module I is finitely generated. Then $A + XI[[X]]$ is an SFT ring.*

Corollary 2.6. *Let $\mathcal{A} = (A_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be an increasing sequence of rings. Assume that*

- (1) A_0 is an SFT Prüfer domain.
- (2) The A_0 -module A_n is finitely generated for every $n \geq 1$.
- (3) The sequence \mathcal{A} is stationary.

Then the ring $\mathcal{A}[[X]]$ is SFT.

In case of Noetherian rings, we know that if $A \subseteq B$ is a ring extension such that, the ring A is Noetherian and B is a finitely generated A -module, then B is also a Noetherian ring. It is natural to ask if the result holds in the case of SFT rings. The following proposition shows a partial answer to this question.

Proposition 2.7. *Let $A \subseteq B$ be a ring extension. Assume that A is an SFT Prüfer domain and B is a finitely generated A -module. Then B is an SFT-ring.*

Proof. Let I be an ideal of B . By Corollary 2.3, $XI[X]$ is an SFT-ideal of $A + XB[X]$, then there exist $k \geq 1$ and $f_1, \dots, f_n \in XI[X]$ such that, for each $g \in XI[X]$, $g^k \in \langle f_1, \dots, f_n \rangle$. Let $a \in I$. Since $a^k X^k = (aX)^k \in \langle f_1, \dots, f_n \rangle$, $a^k \in F = c(f_1) + \dots + c(f_n)$, where $c(f_i)$ is the ideal of B generated by the coefficients of f_i , $1 \leq i \leq n$. Then F is a finitely generated subideal of I . Thus B is an SFT-ring. \square

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