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(nw89@evansville.edu), Department of Mathematics, University of Evansville, 1800 Lincoln Ave, Evansville, IN 47722. A Generalization of Integer-valued Polynomials Rings.

The classical ring of integer-valued polynomials $\operatorname{Int}(\mathbb{Z})$ consists of the polynomials in $\mathbb{Q}[x]$ that map \mathbb{Z} into \mathbb{Z} . In this talk, we consider a generalization of integer-valued polynomials where the polynomials act on \mathbb{Z} -algebras such as a ring of algebraic integers or the ring of $n \times n$ matrices with entries in \mathbb{Z} . Specifically, given a \mathbb{Z} -algebra A, we define $\operatorname{Int}_A(\mathbb{Z})$ to be the set of polynomials in $\mathbb{Q}[x]$ that map A into A; then, $\operatorname{Int}_A(\mathbb{Z})$ is usually a proper subring of $\operatorname{Int}(\mathbb{Z})$. The principal question we consider is whether or not $\operatorname{Int}_A(\mathbb{Z})$ is a Prüfer domain. We will demonstrate that when A is a finite-dimensional \mathbb{Z} -algebra, $\operatorname{Int}_A(\mathbb{Z})$ need not be a Prüfer domain, but the integral closure of $\operatorname{Int}_A(\mathbb{Z})$ is always a Prüfer domain. (Received September 14, 2011)