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Let  $V$  be valuation domain with quotient field  $K$ . In case  $V$  has rank one, in 1935 Ostrowski introduced the notion of pseudo-convergent sequence in order to describe all the possible rank one extensions of  $V$  to the field of rational functions  $K(X)$ , when  $K$  is algebraically closed. The same notion was used a few decades later by Kaplansky to characterize immediate extensions of a general valuation domain.

In 2010, Chabert generalized the concept of pseudo-convergent sequence through the definition of pseudo-monotone sequence, in order to describe the polynomial closure of a subset  $S$  of a rank one valuation domain  $V$  in the context of the rings of integer-valued polynomials.

In this talk, we will show how Ostrowski's result can be generalized for general valuation domains by means of pseudo-monotone sequences. Loosely speaking, we will show which extensions of  $V$  to  $K(X)$  can be approximated by pseudo-monotone sequences. We also characterize algebraic properties of these valuations. (Received September 11, 2020)