

**Algorithms for computing syzygies over  $V[X_1, \dots, X_n]$**

**where  $V$  is a valuation ring**

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## Plan

- Computing syzygies over  $\mathbf{V}[X_1, \dots, X_n]$  with Gröbner bases
- Computing syzygies over  $\mathbf{V}[X_1, \dots, X_n]$  via saturation, general case

$a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbf{R}$ . The **syzygy module** of  $(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  is

$$\text{Syz}(a_1, \dots, a_n)$$

$$:= \{(b_1, \dots, b_n) \in \mathbf{R}^n \mid b_1 a_1 + \dots + b_n a_n = 0\}.$$

A ring  $\mathbf{V}$  is called a **valuation ring** if all its elements are comparable under division. A valuation ring is **coherent** if the annihilator  $\text{Ann}(x) = \text{Syz}(x)$  of any element  $x \in \mathbf{V}$  is finitely-generated.

**Definitions 2.** Let  $V$  be a coherent valuation ring,  $f, g \in V[X_1, \dots, X_n] \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $I = \langle f_1, \dots, f_s \rangle$  a nonzero finitely generated ideal of  $V[X_1, \dots, X_n]$ , and  $>$  a monomial order.

(i) If  $\text{mdeg}(f) = \alpha$  and  $\text{mdeg}(g) = \beta$  then let  $\gamma = (\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n)$ , where  $\gamma_i = \max(\alpha_i, \beta_i)$  for each  $i$ .

The **S-polynomial** of  $f$  and  $g$  is the combination:

$$S(f, g) = \frac{X^\gamma}{\text{LM}(f)} f - \frac{\text{LC}(f)}{\text{LC}(g)} \frac{X^\gamma}{\text{LM}(g)} g \quad \text{if } \text{LC}(g) \text{ divides } \text{LC}(f).$$

$$S(f, g) = \frac{\text{LC}(g)}{\text{LC}(f)} \frac{X^\gamma}{\text{LM}(f)} f - \frac{X^\gamma}{\text{LM}(g)} g \quad \text{if } \text{LC}(f) \text{ divides } \text{LC}(g) \text{ and } \text{LC}(g) \text{ does not divide } \text{LC}(f).$$

(ii) The **auto-S-polynomial** of  $f$  is  $S(f, f) := df$ , where  $d$  is a generator of the annihilator of  $\text{LC}(f)$  (it is defined up to a unit).

(iii)  $G = \{f_1, \dots, f_s\}$  is said to be a **Gröbner basis** for  $I$  if  $\langle \text{LT}(I) \rangle = \langle \text{LT}(f_1), \dots, \text{LT}(f_s) \rangle$ .

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $V$  be a coherent valuation ring,  $I = \langle g_1, \dots, g_s \rangle$  an ideal of  $V[X_1, \dots, X_n]$ , and fix a monomial order  $>$ . Then,  $G = \{g_1, \dots, g_s\}$  is a Gröbner basis for  $I$  if and only if for all pairs  $1 \leq i \leq j \leq s$ , the remainder on division of  $S(g_i, g_j)$  by  $G$  is zero.*

## **Buchberger's Algorithm for Coherent valuation rings**

**Input:**  $g_1, \dots, g_s \in V[X_1, \dots, X_n]$ ,  $V$  a coherent valuation ring,  $>$  a monomial order

**Output:** a Gröbner basis  $G$  for  $\langle g_1, \dots, g_s \rangle$  with

$$\{g_1, \dots, g_s\} \subseteq G$$

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 $G := \{g_1, \dots, g_s\}$  REPEAT
 $G' := G$ 
For each pair  $f, g$  in  $G'$  DO
 $S := \overline{S(f, g)}^{G'}$ 
If  $S \neq 0$  THEN  $G := G' \cup \{S\}$ 
UNTIL  $G = G'$ 

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**Example:** Let  $\mathbf{V}[X] = (\mathbb{Z}/16\mathbb{Z})[X]$ , and consider the ideal  $I = \langle f_1 \rangle$ , where  $f_1 = 2 + 4X + 8X^2$ .

$$S(f_1, f_1) = 2f_1 = 4 + 8X =: f_2,$$

$$S(f_1, f_2) = 2 =: f_3,$$

$$S(f_2, f_2) = 2f_2 = 8 \xrightarrow{f_3} 0, \quad S(f_3, f_3) = 0,$$

$$f_2 \xrightarrow{f_3} 0.$$

Thus,  $\mathcal{G} = \{2\}$  is a Gröbner basis for  $I$  in  $\mathbf{V}[X]$ .

**Theorem.** *Let  $V$  be a valuation ring. Then, one can construct Gröbner bases over  $V$  (for the lexicographic monomial order) if and only if  $V$  is both **coherent** and **archimedean** (i.e.,  $\forall a, b \in \text{Rad}(V) \setminus \{0\} \exists n \in \mathbb{N} \mid a \text{ divides } b^n$ ), or also, if and only if either*

- $\dim V \leq 1$  and  $V$  is without zero-divisors

*or*

- $\dim V = 0$  and the annihilator of any element in  $V$  is finitely generated.

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It is a folklore that if  $\mathbf{V}$  is valuation domain then  $\mathbf{V}[X_1, \dots, X_n]$  is **coherent**, i.e., Syzygy modules over  $\mathbf{V}[X_1, \dots, X_n]$  are finitely generated. This follows from a deep and complicated paper: Gruson L., Raynaud M. Critères de platitude et de projectivité. Invent. Math. (1971).

Our goal is to find an algorithm for computing syzygies over  $\mathbf{V}[X_1, \dots, X_n]$ , where  $V$  is a valuation domain of any Krull dimension.

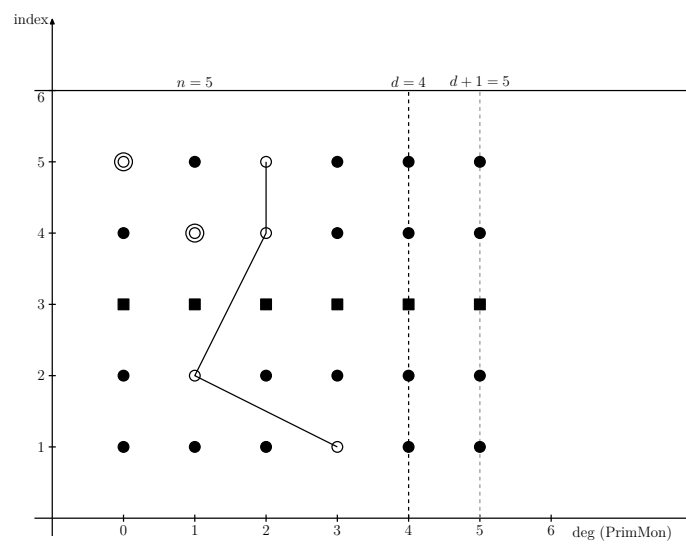
Let  $p_1, \dots, p_m \in \mathbf{V}[X_1, \dots, X_k]$ , and consider  $n$  vectors  $s_1, \dots, s_n \in \mathbf{V}[X_1, \dots, X_k]^m$  generating the syzygy module of  $p_1, \dots, p_m$  over the quotient field  $\mathbf{K}$  of  $\mathbf{V}$  as a  $\mathbf{V}[X_1, \dots, X_k]$ -module ( $s_1, \dots, s_n$  can be computed using Gröbner bases techniques). Then, the syzygy module  $\mathcal{S}$  of  $p_1, \dots, p_m$  over  $\mathbf{V}$  is nothing but the  $\mathbf{V}$ -saturation of  $\mathcal{S}' = \langle s_1, \dots, s_n \rangle$ , i.e.,

$$\mathcal{S} := \{s \in \mathbf{V}[X_1, \dots, X_k]^m \mid \alpha s \in \mathcal{S}' \text{ for some}$$

$$\alpha \in \mathbf{V} \setminus \{0\}\} = (\mathcal{S}' \otimes_{\mathbf{R}} \mathbf{K}) \cap \mathbf{V}[X_1, \dots, X_k]^m.$$

$$V = \mathbb{Z}_2\mathbb{Z},$$

$$s_1 = (5, 4, -2X^2 - 6X + 12) \xrightarrow{\text{height}} (0, 1)$$



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$$V = \mathbb{Z}_2\mathbb{Z}; S := [s_1 = (5, 4, -2X^2 - 6X + 12), s_2 = (2X-1, 0, -2X^2 + 6X - 4)]$$

reduction  
 $\Downarrow$

$$S_0 = [(5, 4, -2X^2 - 6X + 12), (X, \frac{2}{5}, -\frac{6}{5}X^2 + \frac{12}{5}X - \frac{4}{5})]; \delta(S_0) = 1$$

$$XS_0$$

reduction  
 $\Downarrow$

$$S_1 = [(5X, 4X, -2X^3 - 6X^2 + 12X), (0, 2X-1, -X^3 + 2)]; \delta(S_1) = 0$$

As a conclusion

$$\text{Sat}(s_1, s_2)$$

$$= \langle (5, 4, -2X^2 - 6X + 12), (X, \frac{2}{5}, -\frac{6}{5}X^2 + \frac{12}{5}X - \frac{4}{5}),$$

$$(0, 2X - 1, -X^3 + 2) \rangle.$$

**Theorem:** Let  $S = [s_1, \dots, s_n]$  be a finite list of vectors in  $\mathbf{V}[X]^m$  with degrees  $\leq d$ , where  $\mathbf{V}$  is a valuation domain and  $m \geq 1$ . Then the “primitive triangulation algorithm” computes after  $\min(n-1, m)d+1$  iterations a finite list  $G$  of vectors in  $\mathbf{V}[X]^m$  of degrees  $\leq (\min(n-1, m)+1)d$  generating  $\text{Sat}(\langle s_1, \dots, s_n \rangle)$  as a  $\mathbf{V}[X]$ -module.

In other terms, computing  $\text{Sat}(\langle s_1, \dots, s_n \rangle)$  amounts to performing gaussian elimination on a matrix of size  $n(\min(n-1, m)d+1) \times m$  and with entries in  $\mathbf{V}[X]$  of degrees  $\leq (\min(n-1, m)+1)d$ .

**Proof.** We denote by  $S_0$  the list  $S$  put in an echelon form, and by induction  $T_j = [S_0, \dots, S_j]$  where  $S_{j+1}$  denotes  $XS_j$  put in an echelon form with respect to  $T_j$  and then put in an echelon form, with the initialization  $T_0 = S_0$ .

Then the sequence  $(\delta(S_j))_{j \geq 0}$  is non-increasing and becomes zero for  $j \geq \min(n-1, m)d$ .

**Theorem:** Let  $L$  be a finite list of vectors in  $\mathbf{V}[X_1, \dots, X_k]^m$ , where  $\mathbf{V}$  is a valuation domain of quotient field  $\mathbf{K}$  and residue field  $\mathbf{k}$ . Then

- $\dim_{\mathbf{k}} L \leq \dim_{\mathbf{K}} L$ ,
- $\langle L \rangle_{\mathbf{V}}$  is  $\mathbf{V}$ -saturated if and only if  $\dim_{\mathbf{K}} L = \dim_{\mathbf{k}} L$ .

**When a matrix over the integers is  $\mathbb{Z}$ -saturated ?**

$$A \in \mathbb{Z}^{m \times n}; \text{rk}_0 A := \text{rk}_{\mathbb{Q}} A; \text{rk}_p A := \text{rk}_{\mathbb{F}_p} A;$$

$\mathbf{P}^*$  = the set of prime numbers;  $\mathbf{P} := \mathbf{P}^* \cup \{0\}$ .

Denote by  $p_1, \dots, p_t$  the prime numbers dividing the denominators of the vectors obtained after putting the columns of  $A$  into an echelon form over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Then the following assertions are equivalent:

- (i)  $\text{Im}(A)$  is  $\mathbb{Z}$ -saturated.
- (ii)  $\text{rk}_0 A = \text{rk}_{p_1} A = \dots = \text{rk}_{p_t} A$ .
- (iii) The map  $\text{rk}(A) : \mathbf{P} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  defined by  $\text{rk}(A)(q) := \text{rk}_q A$ , is constant.
- (iv) The map  $\mathbf{P}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{N}; p \mapsto \text{rk}_p A$ , is constant.

Let  $L = [u_1, \dots, u_s]$  ( $s \geq 1$ ) be a list of  $s$  polynomial vectors in  $\mathbf{V}[X_1, \dots, X_k]^m$ , where  $\mathbf{V}$  is a valuation domain of quotient field  $\mathbf{K}$  and residue field  $\mathbf{k}$ . For  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$L_i := \langle Mu_j; 1 \leq j \leq s, \text{tdeg}(M) \leq i \rangle_{\mathbf{K}},$$

$$\bar{L}_i := \langle M\bar{u}_j; 1 \leq j \leq s, \text{tdeg}(M) \leq i \rangle_{\mathbf{k}}.$$

$$h_{L, \mathbf{K}}(t) = \sum_{i \geq 0} (\dim_{\mathbf{K}} L_i) t^i,$$

$$h_{L, \mathbf{k}}(t) = \sum_{i \geq 0} (\dim_{\mathbf{k}} \bar{L}_i) t^i \leq h_{L, \mathbf{K}}(t),$$

$$\delta_L(t) := h_{L, \mathbf{K}}(t) - h_{L, \mathbf{k}}(t)$$

called the **saturation defect series** of the list  $L$ .

Note that

$$h_{L, \mathbf{K}}(t) = \text{HS}_{\text{Syz}_{\mathbf{K}}(u_1, \dots, u_s)}(t).$$

**Example:** Consider the list  $U = [u_1 = 1 + 2X, u_2 = 1 + 2Y]$  with  $u_i \in \mathbb{Z}_2\mathbb{Z}[X, Y]$ . We have:

$$h_{U, \mathbb{Q}}(t) = \frac{1}{(1-t)^3} + \frac{1}{(1-t)^2},$$

$$h_{U, \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}}(t) = \frac{1}{(1-t)^3},$$

and, thus, the defect series of  $U$  is

$$\delta_U(t) = \frac{1}{(1-t)^2}.$$



**Theorem:** Let  $L$  be a finite list of vectors in  $\mathbf{V}[X_1, \dots, X_k]^m$ , where  $\mathbf{V}$  is a valuation domain. If  $\delta_L = 0$  then  $\langle L \rangle_{\mathbf{V}[X_1, \dots, X_k]}$  is  $\mathbf{V}$ -saturated.

## Saturation algorithm in the multivariate case:

**Input:** A finite list  $S = [s_1, \dots, s_n]$  of vectors in  $\mathbf{V}[X_1, \dots, X_k]^m$ , where  $\mathbf{V}$  is a valuation domain and  $m \geq 1$ .

**Output:** A finite list  $G$  of vectors in  $\mathbf{V}[X_1, \dots, X_k]^m$  generating  $\text{Sat}(\langle s_1, \dots, s_n \rangle)$  as a  $\mathbf{V}[X_1, \dots, X_k]$ -module.

We denote by  $S_0$  the list  $S$  put in an echelon form, and by induction  $T_j = [S_0, \dots, S_j]$  where  $S_{j+1}$  denotes  $[X_1 S_j, \dots, X_k S_j]$  put in an echelon form with respect to  $T_j$  and then put in an echelon form, with the initialization  $T_0 = S_0$ .

We begin by putting  $S$  in an echelon form (it becomes  $S_0$ ) and then compute its defect series  $\delta_{S_0}(t)$ . If  $\delta_{S_0}(t) = 0$  then stop; else compute  $S_1$ . If  $\delta_{S_1}(t) = 0$  then stop; else compute  $S_2$ , and so on.

**Example:**  $U = [u_1 = 1 + 2X, u_2 = 1 + 2Y]$  with  $u_i \in \mathbb{Z}_2\mathbb{Z}[X, Y]$ . As  $\delta_U(t) = \frac{1}{(1-t)^2} \neq 0$ , one has to put  $U$  in an echelon form. This can be done as follows:

$$U = [u_1 = 1 + 2X, u_2 = 1 + 2Y] \rightarrow$$

$$U_0 := [u_1, \frac{1}{2}(u_2 - u_1)] = [1 + 2X, Y - X].$$

As  $h_{U_0, \mathbb{Q}}(t) = h_{U_0, \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}}(t) = \frac{1}{(1-t)^3} + \frac{1}{(1-t)^2}$ , we have  $\delta_{U_0}(t) = 0$ . We conclude that

$$\text{Sat}(\langle u_1, u_2 \rangle) = \langle 1 + 2X, Y - X \rangle.$$

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