

MMA 数学特論 I

Algorithms for polynomial systems: elimination & Gröbner bases

多項式系のアルゴリズム: グレブナー基底 & 消去法

Lecture V: The Buchberger Algorithm

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Part I: S -polynomials

Introduction

Gröbner bases **exist** \rightarrow Dickson Lemma + Hilbert finite basis (Lect. IV)

Gröbner bases are **useful** \rightarrow Ideal membership (Theo. 4), and several other applications (next lectures).

Let $F = \{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_s\}$ polynomial system in $\mathbb{k}[X_1, \dots, X_n]$, and let $I = \langle f_1, \dots, f_s \rangle$ the ideal it generates.

Problem 1: Is F a Gröbner basis for I (w.r.t. to a monomial order \prec) ?

Problem 2: If not, how to compute a Gröbner basis for I , starting from F ?

\rightarrow **Answer:** use “ S -polynomials” and Buchberger’s criterion.

Problem 3: Is it easy to compute a Gröbner basis ? (**efficiency**)

\rightarrow **Answer:** Very hard. Many improvements possible \rightarrow still active research topic.

The problem

Let $F = \{f_1, \dots, f_s\}$ be a finite set of polynomials, \prec a monomial order.

If F is **not** a Gröbner basis for $I = \langle F \rangle$, then:

$$\exists f \in I, \text{ but } \text{LM}(f) \notin \langle \text{LM}(F) \rangle \quad (\Leftrightarrow \text{LM}(f_i) \nmid \text{LM}(f), \forall i).$$

→ $\text{LM}(F)$ is “too small” for being a Gröbner basis ($\Leftrightarrow \langle \text{LM}(F) \rangle \subsetneq \langle \text{LM}(I) \rangle$).

→ (*graphic of the example on Slide 5, Lect. IV on the **blackboard**...*)

How to extend $\text{LM}(F)$? (Try to) find $f \in I$, such that $\text{LM}(f) \notin \langle \text{LM}(F) \rangle$.

$$\implies f = \sum_{i=1}^s h_i f_i \text{ such that } \text{LM}(f) = \text{LM}\left(\sum_{i=1}^s f_i h_i\right) \prec \max_{1 \leq i \leq s} \text{LM}(f_i h_i) \quad (\star)$$

Remember that... $\text{LM}_{\prec}(a_1 + a_2) \preceq \max\{\text{LM}_{\prec}(a_1), \text{LM}_{\prec}(a_2)\}$, **with equality** if $\text{LM}(a_1) \neq \text{LM}(a_2)$... and that $\text{LM}(f) \prec \text{LM}(f_i) \Rightarrow \text{LM}(f_i) \nmid \text{LM}(f)$.

Conclusion: There is a **term cancellation identity** in (\star) .

S-polynomials

Definition 1 Given two *non-zero* polynomials $f, g \in \mathbb{k}[X_1, \dots, X_n]$, and a monomial order \prec , let $X^\alpha = \text{LM}_\prec(f)$, and $X^\beta = \text{LM}_\prec(g)$.

The **least common multiple** of X^α and X^β is X^γ , where $\gamma = (\max\{\alpha_1, \beta_1\}, \dots, \max\{\alpha_n, \beta_n\})$, denoted $\text{LCM}(\text{LM}_\prec(f), \text{LM}_\prec(g)) = X^\gamma$.

The polynomial $S_\prec(f, g) := \frac{X^\gamma}{\text{LT}_\prec(f)} f - \frac{X^\gamma}{\text{LT}_\prec(g)} g$, is called the **S-polynomial** of f and g (if it is clear what is \prec , we use simply $S(f, g)$ instead of $S_\prec(f, g)$).

Comment: The S-polynomials control the “term cancellation identities”:

Proposition 1 Let $T = \sum_{i=1}^s c_i f_i$, with $c_i \in \mathbb{k}$, and $\delta = \text{mdeg}_\prec(f_i)$ for all i .

If $\text{mdeg}_\prec(T) \prec \delta$, then there exists $c_{j,k} \in \mathbb{k}$ such that

$$T = \sum_{1 \leq j, k \leq s} c_{j,k} S_\prec(f_j, f_k). \text{ Moreover } \text{mdeg}_\prec(S_\prec(f_j, f_k)) \prec \delta.$$

PROOF: (On the *blackboard*...)

□

Main theorem: Buchberger's criterion

The previous Proposition 1 is important for the following criterion (Theo. 1). Before, a definition... **Remember** that the division depends on the sequence in which appear the divisors... Let $G = \{g_1, \dots, g_s\}$ be a polynomial system, and \prec a monomial order.

Definition 2 A polynomial f is said to **reduce to 0 modulo G** , denoted $f \rightarrow_G 0$ if there exists (at least) one permutation $\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_s$, such that:

$$\text{NF}_{\prec}(f, [g_{\sigma(1)}, g_{\sigma(2)}, \dots, g_{\sigma(s)}]) = 0.$$

($\implies f = a_1 g_{\sigma(1)} + \dots + a_s g_{\sigma(s)}$, with $\text{LM}(a_i g_{\sigma(i)}) \preceq \text{LM}(f)$ if $a_i \neq 0$).

Theorem 1 G is a Gröbner basis of $\langle G \rangle$, iff for all pairs $i \neq j$, $S(g_i, g_j) \rightarrow_G 0$.

PROOF: (On the blackboard...)

Is a polynomial system a Gröbner basis ?

This is the problem 1 of Introduction.

The Buchberger criterion (Theorem 1), implies this algorithm to decide if a polynomial system F is a Gröbner basis or not.

Inputs: A polynomial system $F = \{f_1, \dots, f_s\}$. A monomial order \prec .

Output: true if F is a Gröbner basis for $\langle F \rangle$, false else.

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1:  for  $p, q \in F, p \neq q$  do
2:    if  $\text{NF}_{\prec}(S_{\prec}(p, q), F) \neq 0$  then return false ; end if
3:  end for
4:  return true
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Remark: It is just to show the power of S -polynomials. Else, it is very inefficient in practice, and not very useful.

Part II: The Algorithm

Version 1

Version 1: very naive and slow.

Inputs: Non-zero polynomial system $F = \{f_1, \dots, f_s\}$. A monomial order \prec .

Output: A Gröbner basis $G = \{g_1, \dots, g_t\}$ for $\langle F \rangle$, w.r.t. \prec .

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1:   $G \leftarrow F$ 
2:  do{  $G' \leftarrow G$ 
3:    for  $p, q \in G', p \neq q$  do
4:       $S \leftarrow \text{NF}(S(p, q), G')$  // computed for any sequence order of  $G'$ 
5:      if  $S \neq 0$  then  $G \leftarrow G \cup \{S\}$  ; end if
6:    end for
7:  } until ( $G = G'$ ) // repeat from Step 2
8:  return  $G$ 
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Correctness - Termination

Correctness: Claim 1: we always have $F \subset G \subset I$ (*proof on the blackboard...*)

So, if $\langle F \rangle = I$, then $\langle G \rangle = I$.

Claim 2: When $G = G'$ (\Leftrightarrow exit the do/until loop \Leftrightarrow end of algorithm), we have $S = \text{NF}(S(p, q), G') = 0$ for all $p \neq q$ in G . By Buchberger's criterion (Theo. 1), G is a Gröbner basis.

Termination: If $\text{LM}(G') = \text{LM}(G)$ then $G = G'$.

We have $\langle \text{LM}(G') \rangle \subset \langle \text{LM}(G) \rangle$, so the sequence $\{\text{LM}(G')\}$ verifies the “ascending chain condition” (Definition 4, Lect. IV), in $\mathbb{k}[X_1, \dots, X_n]$.

Because it is Noetherian (Lect. IV, Theo. 3), after a **finite** number of steps, we have $\text{LM}(G) = \text{LM}(G')$.

Efficiency: detect useless S -polynomial

! Computing a division (or normal form) can be **slow**: the size of the numbers can grow a lot.

!! If $S(p, q)$ reduces to 0 modulo G , then nothing happens in the algorithm !

→ computing the division of $S(p, q)$ that gives a 0 remainder is **useless** .

⇒ Need to decrease **as much as possible** the number of **divisions** of S -polynomials computed at Step 4 of the Algo. version 1 (Slide 7)

Unnecessary pairs (1): Since $S(p, q) = -S(q, p)$: pair (p, q) already tested ⇒ need not consider the pair (q, p) (see definition of set B at Step 1, next slide).

Unnecessary pairs (2): If $S(p, q) \rightarrow_{G'} 0$, then $S(p, q) \rightarrow_{G' \cup \{S(a,b)\}} 0$ for any S -polynomial of $a, b \in G'$.

→ Hence, the pair (p, q) needs not to be kept in the set B of all indices of pairs to be tested (see Step 10, next slide).

Buchberger algorithm: Version 2

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# Inputs: A polynomial system  $F = \{f_1, \dots, f_s\}$ 
# Output: A Gröbner basis  $G = \{g_1, \dots, g_t\}$  for  $I = \langle F \rangle$ .

1:   $G \leftarrow F; t \leftarrow s$ 
     $B \leftarrow \{(i, j), 1 \leq i < j \leq s\}$  // indices of pairs  $f_i, f_j$  to be tested
2:  while  $B \neq \emptyset$  do
3:    for  $(i, j) \in B$  do
4:       $S \leftarrow \text{NF}(S(f_j, f_i), G)$ 
6:      if  $S \neq 0$  then // the S-pol. has not a 0 remainder
7:         $t \leftarrow t + 1; f_t \leftarrow S$ 
8:         $G \leftarrow G \cup \{f_t\}$  // then we add this remainder to  $G...$ 
9:         $B \leftarrow B \cup \{(i, t), 1 \leq i \leq t - 1\}$  // and the new indices.
10:     else  $B \leftarrow B - \{(i, j)\};$  end if // else the pair of index  $i, j...$ 
11:   end for ; end while // ...will allways reduced to 0
12: return  $G$ 
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Another criterion to detect useless pairs

This Proposition 2 permits to detect some pairs of polynomials p, q such that $S(p, q)$ will reduce to 0 modulo G .

→ permits to avoid useless computations (see Slide 14).

Proposition 2 *Let G be finite set of polynomials. For a pair $f, g \in G$ and a monomial order \prec , if $\text{LCM}(\text{LM}_\prec(f), \text{LM}_\prec(g)) = \text{LM}_\prec(f)\text{LM}_\prec(g)$, then $S_\prec(f, g) \rightarrow_G 0$.*

PROOF: (*On the blackboard...*)

Application: This criterion is easy to check. (comparing to do a division).

Buchberger: Version 2.1

Inputs: A polynomial system $F = \{f_1, \dots, f_s\}$

Output: A Gröbner basis $G = \{g_1, \dots, g_t\}$ for $I = \langle F \rangle$.

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1:   $G \leftarrow F; t \leftarrow s$ 
     $B \leftarrow \{(i, j), 1 \leq i < j \leq s\}$  // indices of pairs  $f_i, f_j$  to be tested
2:  while  $B \neq \emptyset$  do
3:    for  $(i, j) \in B$  do
3':   if  $\text{LCM}(\text{LM}(f_i), \text{LM}(f_j)) \neq \text{LM}(f_i)\text{LM}(f_j)$  then
4:      $S \leftarrow \text{NF}(S(f_j, f_i), G)$ 
6:     if  $S \neq 0$  then // the S-pol. has not a 0 remainder
7:        $t \leftarrow t + 1; f_t \leftarrow S$ 
8:        $G \leftarrow G \cup \{f_t\}$  // then we add this remainder to  $G...$ 
9:        $B \leftarrow B \cup \{(i, t), 1 \leq i \leq t - 1\}$  // and the the new indices
10:    else  $B \leftarrow B - \{(i, j)\};$  end if // else the pair of index  $i, j...$ 
    end if
11:  end for ; end while // ...will always reduced to 0
12:  return  $G$ 

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Part III: Syzygies

Module over a ring

Let R be a commutative ring with 1_R for unit element, with addition $+$ and multiplication \cdot .

An abelian group $(M, +)$ is an **R -module** if, there is a map:

$R \times M \rightarrow M, (r, m) \mapsto rm$, such that:

- $1_R m = m$
- $(r \cdot r')m = r(r'm) = r(r'm)$
- $(r + r')m = rm + r'm$
- $r(m + m') = rm + rm'$

Facts: If R is a **field** then R -modules are the vector spaces over R .

If R is **not a field**, then a module M **has no base** in general.

An R -module M is **finitely generated** if there exists some elements

m_1, \dots, m_s in M such that $\forall m \in M, \exists r_1, \dots, r_s$ elements in R with:

$$m = r_1 m_1 + \dots + r_s m_s.$$

Examples: Let $I \subset R$ be an ideal. The quotient ring R/I is an R -module...

Syzygy (1/3)

Given an R -module M , the *first syzygy module* or the *syzygies* of M on a set of generators (m_1, \dots, m_s) is the kernel the following **presentation** of M :

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 R^s & \xrightarrow{\times(m_1, \dots, m_s)} & M \rightarrow 0, \\
 (r_1, \dots, r_s) & \longmapsto & r_1 m_1 + \dots + r_s m_s.
 \end{array}$$

then $Syz(m_1, \dots, m_s) := \{(r_1, \dots, r_s) \in R^s \mid \sum_i a_i m_i = 0\}$, so that $M \simeq R^s / Syz(m_1, \dots, m_s)$.

Definition 3 Let $F = (f_1, \dots, f_s)$ a family of s polynomials. We simply denote by $Syz(F)$ the **syzygies on the leading terms** of F :

$$Syz(\text{LT}(f_1), \dots, \text{LT}(f_s)) := \{(h_1, \dots, h_s) \in \mathbb{k}[X_1, \dots, X_n]^s \mid \sum_i h_i \text{LT}(f_i) = 0\}.$$

Syzygy (2/3)

Homogeneous syzygy in $\text{Syz}(F)$ of (multi)degree $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^n$:

$$(c_1 X^{\alpha(1)}, \dots, c_s X^{\alpha(s)}), \text{ where } c_i \neq 0 \Rightarrow X^{\alpha(i)} \text{LM}(f_i) = X^\alpha.$$

Lemma 1 *Every syzygy of $\text{Syz}(F)$ can be written uniquely as a linear combination over \mathbb{k} of homogeneous syzygies.*

PROOF: *(On the blackboard...)*

Proposition 3 *Let $F = (f_1, \dots, f_s)$ be a family of polynomials, and $\text{Syz}(F)$ be the syzygy module on the leading terms of F . For $1 \leq i < j \leq s$, consider the pair f_i, f_j of F , and let $X^\gamma := \text{LCM}(\text{LM}(f_i), \text{LM}(f_j))$. Define $\mathbf{e}_1 = (1, 0, \dots, 0)$, $\mathbf{e}_2 = (0, 1, 0, \dots)$, \dots , $\mathbf{e}_r = (\dots, 0, 1)$ and*

$$S_{ij} := \frac{X^\gamma}{\text{LT}(f_i)} \mathbf{e}_i - \frac{X^\gamma}{\text{LT}(f_j)} \mathbf{e}_j \in (\mathbb{k}[X_1, \dots, X_n])^r,$$

The syzygies $\{S_{ij}\}_{1 \leq i, j \leq s}$ generate $\text{Syz}(F)$ as a $\mathbb{k}[X_1, \dots, X_n]$ -module.

Syzygy (3/3)

PROOF: First we must check that S_{ij} are effectively syzygies on the leading terms of F (easy).

Next, we must show that each syzygy $S \in \text{Syz}(F)$ can be written:

$$S = \sum_{i < j} p_{ij} S_{ij}, \quad p_{ij} \in \mathbb{k}[X_1, \dots, X_n]$$

By Lemma 1 of the previous slide, we can assume that S is homogeneous of (multi)degree α . A syzygy $S \in \text{Syz}(F)$ *must* have at least two non-zero components, say $c_i X^{\alpha(i)}$ and $c_j X^{\alpha(j)}$ with $i < j$. By definition, we have $X^{\alpha(i)} \text{LM}(f_i) = X^{\alpha(j)} \text{LM}(f_j) = X^\alpha$, so $X^\gamma | X^\alpha$.

Claim: $S - c_i \text{LC}(f_i) X^{\alpha - \gamma} S_{ij}$ has its i -th component equal to zero, so has more zero components than S . By repeating this, we obtain that S is a $\mathbb{k}[X_1, \dots, X_n]$ -linear combination of the S_{ij} , as required. \square

The syzygy criterion

We have another refinement of the Buchberger criterion that precises Theorem 1.

Theorem 2 *Let $G = \{g_1, \dots, g_s\}$ be a family of polynomials, and $Syz(G)$ the Syzygy module on the leading terms of G . Let \mathcal{S} be a homogeneous basis of $Syz(G)$. We have:*

G is a Gröbner basis iff for all $S \in \mathcal{S}$, $S \cdot G = \sum_{i=1}^s h_i g_i \rightarrow_G 0$.

PROOF: (On the blackboard...)

Remark: If we choose $\mathcal{S} = \{S_{ij}, i < j\}$, as indicated in Proposition 3, then $S_{ij} \cdot G = S(g_i, g_j)$. Hence, Theorem 1 is a special case of the above one.

Practically ? The advantage of using this criterion is the possibility to take a *smaller* basis for $Syz(G)$ than the $\{S_{ij}\}$.

→ then we can avoid more useless pairs than the criterion of Proposition 2.

Choosing a smaller basis

- 1) Start from $\{S_{ij}, i < j\}$ for a basis of $Syz(G)$.
- 2) Suppose we have constructed a (smaller basis) $\mathcal{S} \subset Syz(G)$.
- 3) If $LM(g_\ell) | LCM(LM(g_i), LM(g_j))$ and $S_{il}, S_{j\ell} \in \mathcal{S}$, then $\mathcal{S} - \{S_{ij}\}$ is a (smaller) basis of $Syz(G)$.

PROOF: Suppose $i < j < \ell$, and let $X^{\gamma_{i\ell}} := LCM(LM(g_i), LM(g_\ell))$ (and also let $X^{\gamma_{j\ell}}, X^{\gamma_{ij}}$ for the corresponding LCM). By assumption, both $X^{\gamma_{j\ell}}$ and $X^{\gamma_{i\ell}}$ divides $X^{\gamma_{ij}}$.

$$S_{ij} = \frac{X^{\gamma_{ij}}}{X^{\gamma_{i\ell}}} S_{il} - \frac{X^{\gamma_{ij}}}{X^{\gamma_{j\ell}}} S_{j\ell}$$

so S_{ij} is generated by S_{il} and $S_{j\ell}$ and can be removed from \mathcal{S} . □

Aim: We want to reduce the number of *pairs* to test. Let $[i, j] = (i, j)$ if $i < j$ and $[i, j] = (j, i)$ if $i > j$. Let $B \subset \{(i, j), 1 \leq i < j \leq s\}$, such that $\{S_{ab}, (a, b) \in B\}$ generate $Syz(F)$.

Buchberger algorithm: Version 3

Define the boolean *Criterion*(f_i, f_j, B) as **true** if $[i, \ell]$ and $[j, \ell]$ are not in B , and if $\text{LM}(f_\ell) \mid \text{LCM}(\text{LM}(f_i), \text{LM}(f_j))$ and **false** else.

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1:   $G \leftarrow F$  ;  $B \leftarrow \{(i, j), 1 \leq i < j \leq s\}$  ;  $t \leftarrow s$ 
2:  while  $B \neq \emptyset$  do
3:    for  $(i, j) \in B$  do
4:      if  $\text{LCM}(\text{LM}(f_i), \text{LM}(f_j)) \neq \text{LM}(f_i)\text{LM}(f_j)$  and !Criterion( $f_i, f_j, B$ ) then
5:         $S \leftarrow \text{NF}(S(f_j, f_i), G)$ 
6:        if  $S \neq 0$  then
7:           $t \leftarrow t + 1$  ;  $f_t \leftarrow S$ 
8:           $G \leftarrow G \cup \{f_t\}$ 
9:           $B \leftarrow B \cup \{(i, t), 1 \leq i \leq t - 1\}$ 
10:       else  $B \leftarrow B - \{(i, j)\}$  ; end if
11:    end if
12:  end for ; end while ; return  $G$ 
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Conclusion: Remarks about efficiency

... *still a lot of research to compute Gröbner bases quickly...*

(Buchberger, 1985), (Gebauer-Möller, 1988) → “Normal strategy” for choosing pairs to reduce **and** good reductors (will give a zero quickly).

(Giovanni, Mora *et al.*, 1991) “Sugar” and “Double sugar” strategy, refinement and heuristics.

J.-C. Faugère. *A new efficient algorithm for computing Gröbner bases (F_4)*. J. Pure Appl. Algebra, pp:75–83, (1999, updated 2002).

Gröbner bases for grevlex are usually faster to compute

(Bayer-Stillman, 1987) → monomial order conversion algorithm (to compute a lex GB, first compute a grevlex one and *convert it* into a lex).

(Faugère, Gianni *et al.*, 1993), FGLM, change of order by linear algebra,

(Collart, Kalkbrener *et al.*, 1993 97), “Gröbner walk” on different orders.