

Polynomial System Solving in the Real Case

(Using efficiently Gröbner bases for Real Solving)

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- Solving ?
- A general (universal) method : the CAD;
- Powerfull (in practice) tools : Gröbner bases;

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- Checking the hypothesis (Zero-dimensional);
- Switching to linear algebra;
- Counting Real Roots;
- Variable's elimination;
 - Lexicographic Gröbner bases;
 - Triangular sets;
 - Rational Univariate Representation;
- Isolating Real Roots of algebraic systems;
- Adding inequalities;

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- Generic Solutions ?
 - Cool Solutions
 - Sympa Solutions
- Adding Inequalities;
- Parameter's space decompositions
- Variety's decomposition w.r.t. inequalities;

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(small) Part 4 : Positive dimensional systems

- switch to the parametric case

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Build your own "Solve" function depending on the problem you want to solve

Solving "Semi-Algebraic" Systems

Academic challenge :

Deciding if a first order formula with equalities and inequalities is true or not.

Tarski-Seidenberg \Rightarrow conjunctions and disjunctions of equalities and inequalities.

Applications' challenges : Many critical "sub"-problems

- equalities, inequalities in one variable : number of solutions solutions, numerical approximations, numerically stable solutions;
- zero-dimensional systems (with or without inequalities) : number of solutions solutions, numerical approximations, numerically stable solutions;
- systems with parameters : existence of solutions, properties' discussions w.r.t. parameter's values (ex : number of real roots);
- general positive dimensional systems : existence of solutions, decomposition of the ambient space in sign-invariant cells, etc.

Notations

$K \subset K'$ are ordered fields, R the real closure of K' and C the algebraic closure of R . In practice, we consider $K = \mathbb{Q}$, $R = \mathbb{R}$ and $C = \mathbb{C}$.

A semi-algebraic system will be denoted by

$$\mathcal{S} = \{E_1 = 0, \dots, E_s = 0, F_1 > 0, \dots, F_l > 0\},$$

where $E_i, F_i \in K[Y_1, \dots, Y_n]$

The **main ideal** of $K[Y_1, \dots, Y_n]$ associated to \mathcal{S} :

$$I_K = \langle E_1, \dots, E_s \rangle$$

The **main variety** of \mathcal{S} : $V_C = \mathcal{V}(I_C) \subset C^n$. We define also $V_R = V_C \cap R^n$.

The Cylindrical Algebraic Decomposition (CAD)

Since the 70's, there exists a universal "black-box", the Cylindrical Algebraic Decomposition. Theoretically, it solves all the listed problems.

Description

- Input = a set of polynomials (F_i) ;
- Output = a partition of \mathbb{R}^n such that $sign(F_i) = ct$

The CAD is defined recursively.

CAD - Projection Step

At level k , we have a set P_k of polynomial of $K[X_k, \dots, X_n]$. We construct $P_{k+1} = Proj(P_k)$ as being the smallest set such that :

- If $p \in P_k$, $\deg_{X_k}(p) = d \geq 2$, $Proj(P_k)$ contains all the $sr_j(p, \frac{\partial p}{\partial X_k})$ (non-constant) for $j = 0, \dots, d$.
- If $p \in P_k$, $q \in P_k$, $Proj(P_k)$ contains $sr_j(p, q)$ (non-constant) for $j = 0, \dots, \min(\deg_{X_k}(p), \deg_{X_k}(q))$.
- If $p \in P_k$, $\deg_{X_k}(p) \geq 1$ and $lc_{X_k}(p)$ non constant, $Proj(P_k)$ contains $lc_{X_k}(p)$ and $Proj(P_k \setminus \{p\} \cup \{p - lc_{X_k}(p)\})$.
- If $p \in P_k$, $\deg_{X_k}(p) = 0$ and p non constant, $Proj(P_k)$, contains p .

CAD - lifting step

- (1) compute real roots of all polynomials of P_k and sort them;
- (2) take one point on each interval between roots of (1);
- (3) specialize X_k to (1) and (2) in $P_{k-1} \dots P_1$.

Excepted for $k = n$ step (1) lead to isolate the real roots of polynomial with real algebraic numbers as coefficients which is, in practice, a difficult task.

Also, the basic CAD algorithm can be easily described and implemented using exclusively operations with univariate polynomials.

Computations and size of the output : $O(d^{O(2^n)})$.

The exponential behavior of the method is mainly due to the projection step and in particular the increase of polynomial degrees due to sub-resultant computations.

Why working on alternatives ?

- "Solving" first order formulas : known to be doubly exponential.
- One point / semi-algebraically connected component for an algebraic : known to be simply exponential (see M.F. Roy's lecture)
- etc.

Gröbner bases : some motivations

Simplification of polynomial systems : are two systems (ideals) "equivalent" ?

Zero-dimensional ideals :

- $C[Y_1, \dots, Y_n]/I_C = C \otimes_K K[Y_1, \dots, Y_n]/I_K$ is a finite dimensional C -vector space;
- $K[Y_1, \dots, Y_n] \cap K[Y_i] \neq \emptyset, \forall i = 1 \dots n$
- ...

This requires to have a good (computable) representation of I and a function to (at least) decide if $p \in I$.

Gröbner bases : a minimal set of definitions

A **Gröbner basis** G of I w.r.t. any admissible monomial ordering $<$, is a set of generators of I such that \exists a K -linear function (Normal Form)

$NF_{<}(\cdot, G) : K[Y_1, \dots, Y_n] \longrightarrow K[Y_1, \dots, Y_n]$ s.t.

$$NF_{<}(p, G) = 0 \Leftrightarrow p \in I$$

An admissible **monomial ordering** is a total well-ordering (compatible with the multiplication) on the monomials of $K[Y_1, \dots, Y_n]$.

$LM_{<}(p)$ (leading monomial) , $LC_{<}(p)$ (leading coefficient),
 $LT_{<}(p) = LC_{<}(p)LM_{<}(p)$ (leading term).

The $NF_{<}$ function "generalizes" the Euclidian division for univariate polynomials.

Gröbner bases : characterization and properties

A Gröbner basis can be computed adding to the set of generators polynomials in the form :

$$S(f_1, f_2) = \frac{LT_{<}(f_2)}{\gcd(LM_{<}(f_1), LM_{<}(f_2))} f_1 - \frac{LT_{<}(f_1)}{\gcd(LM_{<}(f_1), LM_{<}(f_2))} f_2$$

A set G is a Gröbner basis iff

$$NF_{<}(S(g_1, g_2), G) = 0, \forall g_1, g_2 \in G$$

Monomial ideals : $\langle LT_{<}(I) \rangle = \langle LT_{<}(G) \rangle$

A reduced Gröbner basis G of I for $<$ is a Gröbner basis such that

$$NF_{<}(g - LT_{<}(g, G)) = g - LT_{<}(g, G) \quad \forall g \in G$$

A (reduced) Gröbner basis is unique (for $<$).

Gröbner bases : definition of monomial orderings

The main used monomial orderings are :

Lexicographic orderings

$$Y_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots Y_n^{\alpha_n} <_{Lex} Y_1^{\beta_1} \cdots Y_n^{\beta_n} \Leftrightarrow \exists i_0 \leq n, \begin{cases} \alpha_i = \beta_i, \forall i = 1 \dots i_0 - 1, \\ \alpha_{i_0} < \beta_{i_0} \end{cases}$$

Degree Reverse Lexicographic orderings

$$Y_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots Y_n^{\alpha_n} <_{DRL} Y_1^{\beta_1} \cdots Y_n^{\beta_n} \Leftrightarrow Y((\sum_k \beta_k), \beta_n, \dots, \beta_1) <_{Lex} Y((\sum_k \alpha_k), \alpha_n, \dots, \alpha_1)$$

Block Orderings

Let $<_1$ (resp. $<_2$) be an admissible ordering on $U = Y_1, \dots, Y_d$ (resp. $X = Y_{d+1}, \dots, Y_n$), we define $<$ on $[Y_1, \dots, Y_n]$

$$U^m X^l < U^p X^q \Leftrightarrow ((X^l <_2 X^q) \text{ or } (X^l = X^q \text{ and } U^m <_1 U^p))$$

Gröbner basis : computations

- The computation time of a Gröbner basis depends on the used monomial ordering.
- In general, a lexicographic Gröbner basis is difficult to compute directly;
- In general, Gröbner bases for a Degree orderings (including block orderings) are much more easy to compute than lexicographic Gröbner basis;
- In general, a Degree Reverse Lexicographic Gröbner basis is the fastest for computations;
- The variants of algorithms used for computing Gröbner basis differs by the criterion used to avoid unusefull computations (S-polynomials that reduces to 0), the strategies used for selecting critical pairs, and the internal representations;
- The initial version is due to Buchberger, the fastest one is due to J.C. Faugère : Algorithm F5 uses selection strategies such that no S-polynomials reduce to 0 during the computations.

Zero Dimensional Systems

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\Rightarrow Since $C[Y]/I_C$ is a finite dimensional C -vector space,

$\forall i = 1 \dots n, \exists D_i \in \mathbb{N}, 1, Y_i, \dots, Y_i^{D_i}$ are C -linear dependants in $C[Y]/I_C$. Also $\exists P_i \neq 0 \in C[Y_i] \cap I$. In particular $NF_{<}(P_i, G) = 0$.

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If $\mathcal{S} \subset K[Y]$ then $G \in K[Y]$.

The dimension of the K -vector space (resp. C -vector space) $K[Y]/I_K$ (resp. $C[Y]/I_C$) is the number of complex zeroes of I_C counted with multiplicities.

Dimension 0 : computing $K[Y]/I_K$

A monomial basis of the K -vector space $K[Y]/I_K$ can be read on a Gröbner basis G of I_K (for any monomial ordering) :

$$\mathcal{B}_{<}(I_K) = \{m \in M[Y] : NF_{<}(m, G) = m\}$$

This is the set of all the possible monomials $m \in K[Y]$ that can not be reduced by $NF_{<}(\cdot, G)$, or equivalently such that $\nexists g \in G$ such that $LM_{<}(g)$ divides m .

Dimension 0 : multiplication maps

Let $h \in K[Y]$

$$\begin{aligned} m_h : C[Y]/I_C &\longrightarrow C[Y]/I_C \\ \bar{p} &\longmapsto \overline{ph} \end{aligned}$$

(Stickelberger) The eigenvalues of m_h are exactly the $h(\alpha)$, $\alpha \in V_C$ with respective multiplicities the multiplicity of α (dimension of $(C[Y]/I_C)_\alpha$).

Suppose G is a Gröbner basis of I for $<$ and that $\mathcal{B}_<(G) = \{w_1, \dots, w_D\}$

If $NF_<(h, G) = \sum_{i=1}^D a_i w_i$ with $a_i \in K$ (uniquely defined if G is reduced), let denote $\overrightarrow{h} = [a_1, \dots, a_D]$, and by M_h the matrix of m_h with respect to $\mathcal{B}_<(G)$.

Then

$$M_h = [\overrightarrow{hw_1}, \dots, \overrightarrow{hw_D}]^T$$

can explicitly computed.

Dimension 0 : applications of Stickelberger theorem

The eigenvalues of m_{Y_i} are exactly the i -th coordinates of all the points of V_C .

If I is radical and if $Y_1(\alpha) \neq Y_1(\beta) \forall \alpha \neq \beta \in V_C$, then a Gröbner basis for any lexicographic ordering such that $Y_1 < Y_i \ i = 1 \dots n$ has always the following shape :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f(Y_1) = 0 \\ Y_2 = f_2(Y_1) \\ \vdots \\ Y_n = f_n(Y_1) \end{array} \right.$$

When a Gröbner basis has this shape, the system is said to be in shape position.

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Dimension 0 : shape lemma

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Let $\mathcal{T} = \{Y_1 + iY_2, \dots + i^{n-1}Y_n, i = 1 \dots nD(D-1)/2\}$. There exists $t \in \mathcal{T}$ s.t. $\alpha \neq \beta \in V_C \Rightarrow t(\alpha) \neq t(\beta)$.

Sickelberger $\Rightarrow f(T) = \text{CharPol}(m_t)$ is squarefree.

Also, the system can be re-written :

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Dimension 0 : Hermite's quadratic form

For $h \in K[Y]$, let define :

$$q_p : \begin{array}{ccc} K[Y]/I_K & \longrightarrow & K \\ f & \longmapsto & \text{Trace}(m_{hp^2}) \end{array}$$

- $\text{rank}(q_p) = \#\{y \in V_C : p(y) \neq 0\}$
 - $\text{sig}(q_p) = \#\{y \in V_R : p(y) > 0\} - \#\{y \in V_R : p(y) < 0\}$.
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In particular, the rank (resp. signature) of q_1 give the number of distinct complex (resp. real) roots of S .

Application : P separates V_C iff $\text{degree}(\overline{\text{CharPol}(m_p)}) = \text{rank}(q_1)$

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Numerical "Solve" is difficult

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"Proof" : since $\text{Trace}(m_p) = \sum_{\alpha \in V_C} \mu(\alpha) p(\alpha)$, then

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A one-to-one correspondance :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{V}(I_K) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{V}(g_t) \\ (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) & \longrightarrow & t(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \\ \left(\frac{g_{t,Y_1}(\beta)}{g_{t,1}(\beta)}, \dots, \frac{g_{t,Y_n}(\beta)}{g_{t,1}(\beta)} \right) & \longleftarrow & \beta \end{array}$$

Dimension 0 : the Rational Univariate Representation

$\{g_t, g_{t,1}, g_{t,Y_1}, \dots, g_{t,Y_n}\}$ is the **Rational Univariate Representation** of V_C associated to t .

Note that $g_{t,1} = \overline{g_t'}$ s.t. g_t and $g_{t,1}$ are coprime.

Solving the system through the RUR means :

- solving the univariate polynomial g_t
 - evaluating/studying the rational functions $g_{t,Y_i}/g_{t,1}$ at the roots of g_t .
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Since the RUR has coefficients in K , it preserves the real roots.

By construction, it “preserves” the multiplicities. In particular, a squarefree decomposition of g_t would decompose the zeroes w.r.t. the multiplicities.

Remark : this costly computation can be avoid since

$$\frac{\overline{g_t'}}{g_{t,1}}(t(\alpha)) = \mu(\alpha)$$

RUR : a naive algorithm

- (1) compute $d = \text{rank}(q_1)$
- (2) find $t \in \mathcal{T} = \{Y_1 + iY_2, \dots + i^{n-1}Y_n, i = 1 \dots nd(d-1)/2\}$ such that $\text{degree}(\overline{\text{PolChar}(m_t)}) = d$
- (3) compute the $\text{Trace}(m_{X_j t^i})$ for $i = 1 \dots d$ and $j = 1 \dots n$
- construct the RUR

In practice, one **guess** a separating t modulo p (steps (1) and (2)), and check after the full computation that the computed set is a RUR :

- $\{g_t, g_{t,1}, g_{t,Y_1}, \dots, g_{t,Y_n}\}$ is a RUR iff $g_t(t) \in I_K$ and $h_j = g_{t,1}(t)Y_j - g_{t,Y_j} \in \sqrt{I_K}$.
- $h_j \in \sqrt{I_K}$ iff $\text{rank}(q_{h_j}) = 0$ iff $\text{Trace}(m_{h_j w_i}) = 0, \forall i = 1 \dots D$.

Another trick is that $\text{Trace}(m_{t^i})$ is exactly the i -th Newton sum of g_t (Stickelberger) : all the polynomials of the RUR can be easily computed once knowing the $\text{Trace}(m_{Y_j t^i})$

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One can deduce a lexicographic Gröbner basis from a RUR

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This computation induces, in general, a growth of coefficients such that the coefficients of the RUR are smaller than those of the lexicographic Gröbner basis

Triangular sets

A triangular set is a set of polynomials with the following shape :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} t_1(X_1) \\ t_2(X_1, X_2) \\ \vdots \\ t_n(X_1, \dots, X_n) \end{array} \right.$$

(the t_i may be identically zero).

Triangular sets : basic definitions

For $p \in K[X_1, \dots, X_n] \setminus K$, we denote by $\text{mvar}(p)$ (and we call *main variable* of p) the greatest variable appearing in p w.r.t. a fixed lexicographic ordering.

Notations :

- h_i the leading coefficient of t_i (when $t_i \neq 0$ is seen as a univariate polynomial in its main variable), and $h = \prod_{i=1, t_i \neq 0}^n h_i$.
- $\text{sat}(T) = \langle T \rangle : h^\infty = \{p \in K[X_1, \dots, X_n] \mid \exists m \in \mathbb{N}, h^m p \in \langle T \rangle\}$;
- $\overline{\mathcal{V}(T) \setminus \mathcal{V}(h)} = \mathcal{V}(\text{sat}(T))$ (elementary property of localization).

A triangular set $T = (t_1, \dots, t_n) \subset K[X_1, \dots, X_n]$ is said to be *regular* if $\forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, such that $t_i \neq 0$, the initial h_i does not belong to any associated prime ideal of $\text{sat}(t_1, \dots, t_{i-1}) \cap K[X_1, \dots, X_{i-1}]$.

Triangular sets : representation of a variety

One may naturally "compute"

$$\overline{V(\langle T \rangle) \setminus V(h)} = V(\text{sat}(\langle T \rangle))$$

but the full study of $V(\langle T \rangle)$ requires additional computations.

If T is regular, then $\text{sat}(T)$ is equidimensional (elementary property of localization).

It is always possible to represent an algebraic variety as the union of varieties defined as zeroes of regular triangular sets

$$V_C = \bigcup_i V(\text{sat}(T_i))$$

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Since $\text{sat}(T)$ is equidimensional when T is regular, this method can easily be generalized to the positive dimensional case (Safey El Din's thesis).

Adding Inequalities

Solutions of a zero dimensional system where $F_j > 0$?

For each F_j , compute

$$g_{t,F_j}(T) = \sum_{i=0}^{d-1} \text{Trace}(m_{F_j} t^i) H_{d-i-1}(g_t)(T)$$

Then $F_j(\alpha) = \frac{g_{t,F_j}(t(\alpha))}{g_{t,1}(t(\alpha))}$

Also, it is sufficient to compute the sign of $g_{t,F_j} g_{t,1}$ at the real roots of g_t .

Computational Strategies

Computational strategies and tricks will be studied in the practical session.

Examples of Software that can be used :

- Maple 8 **user interface**
- Gb (J.C. Faugère) [external] - **Gröbner basis computations**
- RS (F. Rouillier) [external] - **RUR - Real Roots of zero-dimensional systems and univariate polynomials**

Available at <http://spaces.lip6.fr>

MuPAD versions in progress.

Algorithms performances

Empirical measures of performances :

- A means at least "average" compared with Gb implementation of algorithm F4 (Faugère) for computing DRL Gröbner bases;
 - B means "slower" but may be reasonable;
 - C means "very slow";
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- Buchberger's Algorithm for DRL G. Basis (Gb) :C;
- F4 Algorithm for Lex G. Basis (Gb) :C;
- FGLM on a DRL G. Basis (Gb) :B for low degree and small coefficients, otherwise C in shape lemma case, maybe B for some non shape lemma cases.
- RUR on any G. Basis (RS) : A in shape lemma case for reasonable degrees, B in non shape lemma case for reasonable degrees, C for high degrees;
- Lextriangular (Gb) : A

Fabrice : Start your Maple session !