

## Final Exam

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Total Points:

Advice: Be relaxed, attempt fewer questions better. Best of luck! :)

**Problem 1: Size-reduction is not good enough**

Recall that the Fibonacci numbers are given by the recurrence

$$F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2} \text{ for } n \geq 3, \text{ and } F_2 = F_1 = 1.$$

Consider the columns of the matrix

$$B_n = \begin{pmatrix} F_{n+1} & F_{n-1} \\ F_{n+2} & F_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

Show that

1. For all  $n \geq 2$ , the columns of  $B_n$  form a basis of the lattice  $\mathbb{Z}^2$ .
2. These basis vectors are *size-reduced*. Recall that a basis is size-reduced if its Gram-Schmidt coefficients are all at most  $1/2$  in absolute value.

Yet, since the lengths of basis vectors in  $B_n$  go to  $\infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , this shows that size-reduction is not a good enough notion of reduction.

**Problem 2: Hermite Reduction and Orthogonality Defect**

Hermite, in a letter to Jacobi in 1850, proposed the following notion of reduction (among other things):

A basis  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  of a lattice  $\mathcal{L}$  is Hermite-reduced if

- it is size-reduced, and
- its Gram-Schmidt orthogonal vectors  $b_i^*$  satisfy

$$\|b_i^*\| \leq (4/3)^{(n-i)/4} \cdot (\text{vol}(\pi_i(\mathcal{L})))^{1/(n-i+1)}, \text{ for all } 1 \leq i \leq n.$$

Recall that  $\pi_i$  is the projection onto the orthogonal complement of  $\text{span}(b_1, \dots, b_{i-1})$ .

For  $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ , consider the following basis  $B$  and the lattice  $\mathcal{L}$  generated by its columns.

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 0 & \varepsilon & \varepsilon/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/\varepsilon \end{pmatrix}.$$

1. Show that  $B$  is a Hermite-reduced basis of  $\mathcal{L}$  according to the above definition.
2. Yet, this is a bad basis for  $\mathcal{L}$  since  $\|b_3\| \rightarrow \infty$  as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ . In particular, the *orthogonality defect* of this basis for the lattice goes to  $\infty$ , where for a basis  $[b_1 \cdots b_n]$  of a lattice  $\mathcal{L}$ , its orthogonality defect is defined by  $\prod \|b_i\| / \text{vol}(\mathcal{L})$ . Show that orthogonality defect of a basis is 1 if and only if it is orthogonal.
3. What is the orthogonality defect of an LLL-reduced basis?

### Problem 3: Modular Lattices

Let  $A = [I, A'] \in \mathbb{Z}_q^{k \times n}$ , where  $I$  is the  $k \times k$  identity matrix and  $A' \in \mathbb{Z}^{k \times n-k}$ . Give a basis for each of the following lattices and prove your answers correct.

1.  $\mathcal{L}_q(A) = \{x \in \mathbb{Z}^n : Ax = 0 \pmod{q}\}$ .
2.  $\mathcal{L}_q^\perp(A) = \{x \in \mathbb{Z}^n : x = A^t s \pmod{q} \text{ for some } s \in \mathbb{Z}_q^k\}$ .
3. The dual of lattice  $\mathcal{L}_q(A)$ .
4. The dual of lattice  $\mathcal{L}_q^\perp(A)$ .

### Problem 4: Gaussians

Recall that the *Discrete Gaussian Distribution*  $D_{\mathcal{L},s,c}$ , on lattice  $\mathcal{L} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ , with parameter  $s \geq 0$ , and center  $c \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , is the probability distribution with support  $\mathcal{L}$  assigning to each  $x \in \mathcal{L}$  the probability

$$\rho_s(x - c) / \rho_s(\mathcal{L} - c).$$

Show that for any  $c \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and any  $(n-1)$ -dimensional hyperplane  $H \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , and for parameter  $s \geq \sqrt{2} \cdot \eta_\varepsilon(\mathcal{L})$ , where  $\varepsilon \leq 1/100$ ,

$$\Pr_{x \in D_{\mathcal{L},s,c}} [x \in H] < 0.9.$$

*Hint:* Show that it is w.l.o.g. to consider an axis-parallel hyperplane, e.g.,  $H = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : x_1 = r\}$  for  $r \geq 0$ . Then, use the Poisson summation formula to show that

$$\mathbb{E}_{x \in D_{\mathcal{L},s,c}} [\exp(-\pi((x_1 - r)/s)^2)] < 0.9.$$