

**Notation:** Define the following notation. Write for  $f \in A[[X]]$ ,  $f = \sum_0^\infty a_i X^i$

$$\begin{aligned} \deg : A[[X]] &\rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \cup \{\infty\} \\ f &\mapsto \min\{n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \mid a_n \neq 0\} \\ TC : A[[X]] \setminus 0 &\rightarrow A \\ f &\mapsto a_{\deg f} \end{aligned}$$

finally, if  $a|b$  in  $A$ , then we can write  $b = as$ , where we denote  $s$  as  $a^{-1}b$ , even when  $a$  is not invertible.

1. Let  $I$  be any ideal in  $A[[X]]$ , I will show that  $I$  is finitely generated. First define  $J = \bigcup_I TC(f)$ , closure of tail coefficients under addition and multiplication by  $A$  is clear, so that  $J$  is an ideal in  $A$ . By the Noetherian assumption on  $A$ , we may assume that  $J$  is finitely generated, and fix generators  $\{TC(f_1), \dots, TC(f_r)\}$ .

Now define

$$L_k = \{a \in A \mid \exists f \in I, \text{ such that } \deg f = k \text{ and } a = TC(f)\}$$

once again it is clear that  $L_k$  is an ideal in  $A$ , so that it is finitely generated, we may fix generators  $\{TC(g_1^k), \dots, TC(g_{N_k}^k)\}$  where each  $g_i$  has degree  $k$ . Let  $m = \max_i \deg f_i$ , to make the notation easier later on, replace each  $f_i$  with  $X^{m-\deg f_i} f_i$ , so that each has the same degree.

$$L := (g_1^0, g_2^0, \dots, g_{N_0}^0, g_1^1, \dots, g_{N_m}^m) \subset A[[X]]$$

I claim that  $I = L + (f_1, \dots, f_r)$ , which suffices to show that  $I$  is finitely generated. As proof, let  $\varphi \in I$ ,  $\deg \varphi = \infty$  means we are done, so assume not. If  $\deg \varphi < m$ , then there is some  $g \in L$ , such that  $\deg g \leq \deg \varphi$  and  $TC(g) \mid TC(\varphi)$ , then  $\varphi - TC(g)^{-1} TC(\varphi) X^{\deg \varphi - \deg g} g$  is in  $I$  with degree strictly larger than  $\varphi$ , thus repeating this process we may assume  $\varphi$  has degree at least  $m$ . Now I claim there are  $h_1, \dots, h_r \in A[[X]]$ , such that  $\varphi - \sum_1^n h_i f_i = 0$  completing the proof. Construct the  $h_i$  as follows, since  $\varphi \in I$ , we know that  $TC(\varphi) \in J$ , so that there is some  $\{c_i\}_1^r \subset A$ , such that  $\sum_1^r c_i TC(f_i) = TC(\varphi)$ , then take  $h_i^1 = c_i X^{\deg \varphi - m}$  for each  $i$ . If at any point we have  $\varphi - \sum_{i=1}^r \left( \sum_{j=1}^n h_i^j \right) f_i = 0$ , then take  $h_i = \sum_{j=1}^n h_i^j$ , otherwise we can define  $h_i^{n+1}$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq r$  as follows, since  $\varphi - \sum_{i=1}^r \left( \sum_{j=1}^n h_i^j \right) f_i \in I$  we know that  $TC \left( \varphi - \sum_{i=1}^r \left( \sum_{j=1}^n h_i^j \right) f_i \right) \in J$ , so that there are some  $\{c_i\}_1^r \subset A$ , such that  $\sum_1^r c_i TC(f_i) = TC \left( \varphi - \sum_{i=1}^r \left( \sum_{j=1}^n h_i^j \right) f_i \right)$ , then take  $h_i^{n+1} = X^{\deg(\varphi - \sum_{i=1}^r (\sum_{j=1}^n h_i^j) f_i) - m} c_i$ , it is important to note that for each  $n$  we have  $\deg h_i^n < \deg h_i^{n+1}$ , and since they consist only as a single term,  $h_i := \sum_{j=1}^\infty h_i^j$  defines an element of  $A[[X]]$  for each  $i$ . Finally, by construction we get that  $\varphi - \sum_{i=1}^r h_i f_i = 0$  since inductively  $\deg \varphi - \sum_{i=1}^r h_i f_i > n$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  implies it has degree infinity and is thus zero, so that  $\varphi \in L + (f_1, \dots, f_r) = I$ , and since the ideal  $I$  was arbitrary, we conclude that  $A[[X]]$  is Noetherian.  $\square$

2. Let  $h_1, \dots, h_m$  be the rows of  $A$  in RREF, it is immediate that  $(h_1, \dots, h_m) \subset J$ , and that

$$(LM(g_1), \dots, LM(g_m)) = (LM(h_1), \dots, LM(h_m))$$

so it will suffice to show the result for the reduced matrix. Here we denote  $LM(h_i) = x_{p_i}$  and  $P := \{p_1, \dots, p_m\}$ . By Buchburger's criterion, it will suffice to show that for any  $i < j$  we have  $\overline{S(h_i, h_j)}^{\{h_1, \dots, h_m\}} = 0$ . Let  $i < j$ , then

$$S(h_i, h_j) = x_{p_j} h_i - x_{p_i} h_j = \sum_{\substack{k > p_i \\ k \notin P}} a_{ik} x_{p_j} x_k - \sum_{\substack{k > p_j \\ k \notin P}} a_{jk} x_{p_i} x_k$$

This is not divisible by  $x_{p_k}$  for any  $k < i$ , so the division algorithm first divides by  $h_i$  to produce

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\substack{k > p_i \\ k \notin P}} a_{ik} x_{p_j} x_k - \sum_{\substack{k > p_j \\ k \notin P}} a_{jk} x_{p_i} x_k + \left( \sum_{\substack{k > p_j \\ k \notin P}} a_{jk} x_k \right) h_i &= \sum_{\substack{k > p_i \\ k \notin P}} a_{ik} x_{p_j} x_k + \sum_{\substack{k > p_j \\ k \notin P}} \left( a_{jk} x_k \sum_{\substack{\ell > p_i \\ \ell \notin P}} a_{i\ell} x_\ell \right) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{k > p_i \\ k \notin P}} a_{ik} x_{p_j} x_k + \sum_{k, \ell \in \{1, \dots, m\} \setminus P} c_{k\ell} x_k x_\ell \end{aligned}$$

For  $c_{k\ell} \in \mathbb{C}$ . It follows once again that no monomial is divisible by  $x_{p_k}$  for any  $k < j$ , so we divide by  $h_j$  to reduce to

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k, \ell \in \{1, \dots, m\} \setminus P} c_{k\ell} x_k x_\ell + \sum_{\substack{k > p_i \\ k \notin P}} a_{ik} x_{p_j} x_k - \left( \sum_{\substack{k > p_i \\ k \notin P}} a_{ik} x_k \right) h_j &= \sum_{k, \ell \in \{1, \dots, m\} \setminus P} c_{k\ell} x_k x_\ell + \sum_{\substack{k > p_i \\ k \notin P}} \left( a_{ik} x_k \sum_{\substack{\ell > p_j \\ \ell \notin P}} a_{j\ell} x_\ell \right) \\ &= \sum_{k, \ell \in \{1, \dots, m\} \setminus P} d_{k\ell} x_k x_\ell \end{aligned}$$

for  $d_{k\ell} \in \mathbb{C}$ . Let  $F := \sum_{k, \ell \in \{1, \dots, m\} \setminus P} d_{k\ell} x_k x_\ell$ , this is the remainder of  $S(h_i, h_j)$  by division from  $\{h_1, \dots, h_m\}$  since none of the monomial terms are divisible by  $x_k$  for  $k \in P$ . If  $F = 0$ , then we are done, so assume not for the sake of contradiction.

We know that  $F \in J$  by construction (equivalently  $(F) \subset J$ ), by corollary of Hilbert's Nullstellensatz we know that  $V((F)) \supset V(J)$ , to get the desired contradiction it will suffice to show there is some  $\mathbf{x} \in V(J) \setminus V((F))$ . Since  $F \neq 0$ , there is some  $d_{k,\ell} \neq 0$ , if this is true for some  $d_{k,k}$ , then take  $\mathbf{y} = e_k$  (here  $e_k \in \mathbb{C}^n$  has  $k$ -th coordinate 1 and other coordinates 0), otherwise if all  $d_{k,k} = 0$ , then there is some  $k \neq \ell$ , such that  $d_{k\ell} \neq 0$ , and we take  $\mathbf{y} = e_k + e_\ell$ , note that in either case  $\mathbf{y}$  has the property that  $F(\mathbf{y} + \sum_{s=1}^m c_s e_{p_s}) \neq 0$ , for any  $\{c_1, \dots, c_m\} \subset \mathbb{C}$ . Now we can define  $\mathbf{x}$

$$\begin{aligned} k = \ell : \quad & \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y} + \sum_{s=1}^m c_s e_{p_s} \\ k \neq \ell : \quad & \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y} + \sum_{s=1}^m d_s e_{p_s} \end{aligned}$$

Where in either case  $c_i, d_i$  are defined recursively (note since we are in RREF  $a_{ip_i} = 1$  for

$1 \leq i \leq m$ ), the definition for  $c_i, d_i$  ensuring that  $\mathbf{x} \in V(J)$  is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} c_m &= -a_{mk} & c_i &= - \left( a_{ik} + \sum_{j=i+1}^m c_j a_{ip_j} \right) \\ d_m &= -(a_{mk} + a_{m\ell}) & d_i &= - \left( a_{ik} + a_{i\ell} + \sum_{j=i+1}^m d_j a_{ip_j} \right) \end{aligned}$$

since  $s, k$  are not pivots, this always defines a solution to the system of equations given by  $A$ , hence  $\mathbf{x} \in V(J)$ , but  $\mathbf{x}$  is of the form  $\mathbf{y} + \sum_1^m c_s e_{p_s}$ , implying that  $\mathbf{x} \in V(J) \setminus V((F))$  which is a contradiction.  $\square$

**3.** Denote  $A = k[X_1, \dots, X_n]$ .  $LT(I) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left( \bigcup_{f \in I} LT(f) \right)$ , since for each  $f \in I$ , we have  $LT(f)$  is in  $LT(I)$ , and  $LT(LT(f)) = LT(f)$ , we find that  $LT(f) \in LT(LT(I))$  for each  $f \in I$ , hence  $\bigcup_{f \in I} LT(f) \subset LT(LT(I))$ , implying that  $LT(I) \subset LT(LT(I))$ .

Conversely, let  $f \in LT(LT(I))$ , then  $f = \sum_1^r c_i LT(h_i)$ , for  $c_i \in A$  and  $h_i \in LT(I)$ , to show that  $f \in LT(I)$  it will suffice to show that each  $LT(h_i)$  is in  $LT(I)$ . Let  $h \in \{h_1, \dots, h_r\}$ , then  $h = \sum_1^m d_i LT(g_i)$  for  $d_i \in A$  and  $g_i \in I$ , then each monomial term in  $h$  is divisible by  $LT(g_i)$  for some  $i$ , so in particular, there is some  $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ , such that  $LT(g_i) | LT(h)$ , but this implies that  $LT(h) \in LT(I)$ , and hence so is  $f$ , since  $f$  was arbitrary this gives the desired equality of sets.  $\square$

**4.** define  $g := xy - y^2$ ,  $h := y^3 + y^2$ , then  $(f_1, f_2, g, h)$  is a Grobner basis. We first need show that  $g, h \in I$ , this is straightforward since

$$g = xy - y^2 = (x - 1)f_2 - f_1 \in I$$

$$h = y^3 + y^2 = -((xy^2 - y^3 + xy - y^2) - (x^2y^2 + xy^2) + (x^2y^2 - xy)) = -((y + 1)g - xf_2 + f_1) \in I$$

Now it will suffice to check Buchburger's criterion for each pair,

$$S(f_1, f_2) = f_1 - xf_2 = -xy^2 - xy$$

long division furnishes  $-xy^2 - xy + f_2 = -xy + y^2$ , then  $-xy + y^2 + g = 0$ .

$$S(f_1, g) = f_1 - xyg = xy^3 - xy$$

Dividing by  $f_2$  gives  $xy^3 - xy - yf_2 = -xy - y^3$ , dividing by  $g$  we get  $-xy - y^3 + g = -y^3 - y^2$ , dividing by  $h$  gives  $-y^3 - y^2 + h = 0$ .

$$S(f_1, h) = yf_1 - x^2h = -x^2y^2 - xy^2$$

dividing by  $f_1$  gives  $-x^2y^2 - xy^2 + f_1 = -xy^2 - xy$ , dividing by  $f_2$  gives  $-xy^2 - xy + f_2 = -xy + y^2$ , dividing by  $g$  gives  $-xy + y^2 + g = 0$ .

$$S(f_2, g) = f_2 - yg = y^3 + y^2$$

We cannot divide the leading monomial by the leading monomials of  $f_1, f_2$  or  $g$ , dividing by  $h$  gives  $y^3 + y^2 - h = 0$ .

$$S(f_2, h) = -xy^2 + y^3$$

dividing by  $f_2$  gives  $-xy^2 + y^3 + f_2 = y^3 + y^2$ , dividing by  $h$  gives  $y^3 + y^2 - h = 0$ .

$$S(g, h) = y^2g - xh = xy^2 - y^4$$

dividing by  $f_2$  we get  $xy^2 - y^4 - f_2 = y^4 - y^2$ , dividing by  $h$  gives  $y^4 - y^2 - (y + 1)h = 0$ .  $\square$

**5.** I claim that  $g_1, g_2, g_3, g_4$  form a Grobner basis, where the  $g_i$  are defined as follows,

$$g_1 := x^2 - y$$

$$g_2 := xy - z$$

$$g_3 := xz - y^2$$

$$g_4 := y^3 - z^2$$

Note that  $(g_i)_1^4 \supset I$ , since  $f_1 = g_1$  and  $f_2 = xg_1 + g_2$ . To see the reverse inclusion of ideals,

$$\begin{aligned} g_2 &= f_2 - xf_1 \in I \\ g_3 &= yg_1 - xg_2 \in I \\ g_4 &= zg_2 - yg_3 \in I \end{aligned}$$

To check that  $g_1, g_2, g_3, g_4$  form a Grobner basis, we use the Buchberger criterion, (I will do the division algorithm in-line for brevity)

$$\begin{aligned} S(g_1, g_2) &= x^2y - y^2 - x^2y + xz = -y^2 + xz \xrightarrow{-g_3} 0 \\ S(g_1, g_3) &= zx^2 - zy - x^2z + xy^2 = xy^2 - zy \xrightarrow{-yg_2} 0 \\ S(g_1, g_4) &= y^3(x^2 - y) - x^2(y^3 - z^2) = x^2z^2 - y^4 - y^4 + yz^2 \xrightarrow{+yg_4} 0 \\ S(g_2, g_3) &= xyz - z^2 - xyz + y^3 = y^3 - z^2 \xrightarrow{-g_4} 0 \\ S(g_2, g_4) &= xy^3 - zy^2 - xy^3 + xz^2 = xz^2 - zy^2 \xrightarrow{-zg_3} 0 \\ S(g_3, g_4) &= xzy^3 - y^5 - xzy^3 + xz^3 = xz^3 - y^5 \xrightarrow{-z^2g_3} -y^5 + y^2z^2 \xrightarrow{+y^2g_4} 0 \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

**6.** First identify  $LM(A) = \{x_1^{d_1}x_2^{d_2}x_3^{d_3}x_4^{d_4} \mid d_1 \geq d_2 \text{ and } d_3 \geq d_4\} \cong \{(d_1, d_2, d_3, d_4) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^4 \mid d_1 \geq d_2 \text{ and } d_3 \geq d_4\}$ . As proof if  $(d_1, d_2, d_3, d_4)$  in  $LM(A)$ , then if  $d_2 > d_1$  or  $d_4 > d_3$  we can apply (12) or (34) respectively to obtain another term in the polynomial which is strictly larger, contradicting starting with the leading term. Conversely if  $d_1 \geq d_2$  and  $d_3 \geq d_4$ , then we can form the polynomial  $f \in A$ ,

$$f = x_1^{d_1}x_2^{d_2}x_3^{d_3}x_4^{d_4} + x_1^{d_3}x_2^{d_2}x_3^{d_1}x_4^{d_4} + x_1^{d_1}x_2^{d_4}x_3^{d_3}x_4^{d_2} + x_1^{d_3}x_2^{d_4}x_3^{d_1}x_4^{d_2}$$

so that  $LM(f) = x_1^{d_1}x_2^{d_2}x_3^{d_3}x_4^{d_4}$ .

Now it remains to show that  $\langle (1, 0, 0, 0), (1, 1, 0, 0), (0, 0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1, 1) \rangle = \{(d_1, d_2, d_3, d_4) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^4 \mid d_1 \geq d_2 \text{ and } d_3 \geq d_4\}$  as a monoid. So let  $(d_1, d_2, d_3, d_4) \in LM(A)$ , then

$$(d_1 - d_2)(1, 0, 0, 0) + d_2(1, 1, 0, 0) + (d_3 - d_4)(0, 0, 1, 0) + d_4(0, 0, 1, 1) = (d_1, d_2, d_3, d_4)$$

as desired. □