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Abstract

The GAP package FSR ...

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Chapter 1

Preface

The GAP package FSR implements Feedback Shift Registers

Chapter 2

Output formatting functions and TEX drawing functions

2.1 Output formatting functions

There are two types of functions: ones that return the input in a human friendly version (as strings or list of strings), and ones that write the human friendly version of the input into a file (txt or tex)

2.1.1 IntFFExt

```
        ▷ IntFFExt([B, ]ffe)
        (method)

        ▷ IntVecFFExt([B, ]vec)
        (method)

        ▷ IntMatFFExt([B, ]M)
        (method)
```

IntFFExt takes the *ffe* and writes it as an integer of the prime field if *ffe* is an element of the prime field (same as Int(ffe)), or writes it as a vector of integers from the prime subfield if *ffe* is an element of an extension field, using the given basis *B* or canonical basis representation of *ffe* if no basis is provided.

IntVecFFExt takes the vector vec of FFEs and writes it in a human friendly version: as a vector of integers from the prime field if all components of vec belong to a prime field, or as a vector of vectors of integers from the prime subfield, if the components belong to an extension field, using the given basis B or canonical basis representation of ffe, if no basis is provided. (note: all components are treated as elements of the largest field).

IntMatFFExt takes a matrix M and returns its human friendly version: a matrix of vectors of integers from the prime field if all components of M belong to a prime field, or a vector of row vectors, whose elements are vectors of integers from the prime subfield, if the components belong to an extension field, using the given basis B or canonical basis representation of components of M.

NOTE: the non-basis versions return a representation in the smallest field that contains the element. for representation in a specific field, use the basis version with desired basis.

2.1.2 VecToString

VecToString([B,]vec)

(method)

Writes a FFE verctor or matrix as string or list of strings using the given basis *B* or canonical basis representation of *ffe* if no basis is provided. This mathod calls methods IntFFExt, IntVecFFExt and IntMatFFExt from section LINK. The list of strings is more practically useful: we wish to have the components as srings, therefore the human friendly version of a matrix is not an actual string.

NOTE: the non-basis versions return a representation in the cononical basis of the smallest field that contains the element. For representation in a specific field, use the basis version with desired basis.

2.1.3 WriteVector (for a FFE and given basis)

```
▷ WriteVector(output, B, vec)
```

(function)

Writes the human friendly version of vector *vec* represented in basis *B*, to the output file *output*. Also works if *vec* is an integer or FFE.

NOTE: the basis MUST be provided.

Also works for writing matrices, but writes them as a row vector, not as a rectangle.

2.1.4 WriteMatrix (for a matrix of FFE and given basis)

```
▷ WriteMatrix(output, B, M)
```

(function)

Writes the human friendly version of matrix M represented in basis B to the output file output nicely formatted (rectangular, each row in a new line).

NOTE: the basis MUST be provided.

2.1.5 WriteMatrixTEX

▷ WriteMatrixTEX(output, M)

(function)

Writes the TEX code for matrix M over a prime field to the output file output.

NOTE: Only works for matrices over a prime field !!!

2.2 TEX drawing functions

Chapter 3

FSR (Feedback Shift Register)

3.1 Common functionality

We define an object FSR (Feedback Shift Register), which can come in two flavours: with linear feedback LFSR (3.2.1) and nonlinear feedback NLFSR (3.3.2). Because of many similarities between the two, the basic common functionality can be found here, while specialized functions (such as UN-KNOWNEntity(LFSR) and UNKNOWNEntity(NLFSR) object creation) in corresponding sections.

3.1.1 IsFSR

▷ IsFSR (filter)

This is the category of FSR objects. Objects in this category are created using functions LFSR (3.2.1) or NLFSR (3.3.2).

3.1.2 FieldPoly (for an FSR)

▷ FieldPoly(fsr) (attribute)
 ▷ UnderlyingField(fsr) (attribute)
 ▷ FeedbackVec(fsr) (attribute)
 ▷ OutputTap(fsr) (attribute)

FieldPoly of the FSR stores the irreducible polynomial used to construct the extension field or 1 in case of a prime field.

UnderlyingField of the FSR is the finite field over which the FSR is defined (all indeterminates and constants are from this field).

NOTE: it may seem redundant to sore both FieldPoly and UnderlyingField, however, they are used by other functions in the package.

FeedbackVec of the FSR stores the coefficients of the CharPoly without its leading term in case of *LFSR*, and coefficients of the nonzero monomials present in the multivariate function defining the feedback in case of UNKNOWNEntity(NLFSR).

 ${\tt OutputTap}$ holds the output tap position(s): the sequence elements are taken from the stage(s) listed in ${\tt OutputTap}$.

3.1.3 Length (for an FSR)

Length of the FSR is the number of its stages.

InternalStateSize of the FSR is size in bits needed to store the state (length * width)

3.1.4 LoadFSR (for an FSR)

ightharpoonup LoadFSR(fsr) (method)

Loading the FSR fsr with the initial state ist, which is a UNKNOWNEntity(FFE) vector of same length as the FSR and with elements from the underlying finite field. If either of those two requirements is violated, loading fails and error message appears. At the time of loading the initial sequence elements (ie zeroth elements) are obtained and numsteps is set to 0.

3.1.5 StepFSR (for an FSR)

▷ StepFSR(fsr[, elm]) (method)

Perform one step the FSR fsr, ie. compute the new state and update the numsteps, then output the elements denoted by OutputTap. If the optional parameter elm is used then the new element is computed as a sum of computed feedback and elm. Elemen elm must be an element of the underlying finite field.

An error is triggered if StepFSR is called for an empty FSR. As this is a way to destroy the linearity of an UNKNOWNEntity(LFSR), we refer to StepFSR with the optiomal nonzero elm as nonlinear step. Similarly, the UNKNOWNEntity(NLFSR) can also have an extra element added to the (already nonlinear) feedback.

Returns an error if the FSR is not loaded!

NOTE: TO DO for the NLFSR !!!!!!

3.1.6 RunFSR (for an FSR)

▷ RunFSR(fsr[, ist][, num][, pr])

(method)

The UNKNOWNEntity(FSR will be run for a certain (num or threshold) number of steps: there is a threshold value, currently set to $2^{-}Length(fsr) + Length(fsr)$, which is used by all versions without explicit num and enforced when num exceeds threshold. There is an optional printing switch pr, with default set to false) if true then the state and the output sequence element(s) are printed in GAP shell on every step of the FSR (we call this output for RunFSR).

- RunLFSR(fsr[, num, pr]) run fsr for num/threshold steps with/without output
- RunLFSR(fsr, ist[, num, pr]) load fsr with ist, then run fsr for num/threshold steps with/without output (ie. linear version)
- RunLFSR(fsr, elm[, num, pr]) load fsr with ist, then run fsr for num/threshold steps, whereby the SAME element elm is added to the feedback at each step, with/without output (ie. non-linear version)

• RunlFSR(fsr, ist, elmvec[, num, pr]) - load fsr with ist, then run fsr for Length(fsr) steps,, whereby one element of elmvec is added to the feedback at each step (starting with elmvec[1]), with/without output (ie. non-linear version)

NOTE: for the load and run versions, element seq_0 is a part of the output sequence The ouput of RunLFSR is:

- sequence of UNKNOWNEntity(FFE)s: seq₀, seq₁, seq₂, ..., for Length(OutputTap)=1
- sequence of vectors, each of them with t FFEs: seq_0 , seq_1 , seq_2 , ..., where $seq_i = (seq_{i1}, ..., seq_{it})$ for Length(OutputTap) = t

3.2 LFSR specific funcionality

3.2.1 LFSR

```
\triangleright \  \, \text{LFSR}(F, \, charpol[, \, tap]) \qquad \qquad \text{(function)} \\ \triangleright \  \, \text{LFSR}(K, \, fieldpol, \, charpol[, \, tap]) \qquad \qquad \text{(function)} \\ \triangleright \  \, \text{LFSR}(F, \, charpol[, \, tap]) \qquad \qquad \text{(function)} \\ \triangleright \  \, \text{LFSR}(p, \, m, \, n[, \, tap]) \qquad \qquad \text{(function)}
```

Returns: An empty UNKNOWNEntity(LFSR) with components init, state and numsteps Different ways to create an UNKNOWNEntity(LFSR) oblject, main difference is in creation of the underlying finite field.

Inputs:

- F the underlying finite field (either an extension field or a prime field)
- charpol UNKNOWNEntity(LFSR) dfining polynomial
- fieldpol defifning polynomial of the extension field (must be irreducible)
- p characteeristic
- m degree of extension (degree of fieldpol)
- n length of UNKNOWNEntity(LFSR) (degree of charpoly)
- tap optional parameter: the output tap (must be a positive integer or a list of positive integers) and will be changed to the default S_0 if the specified integer is out of LFSR range.

Compoents:

- init UNKNOWNEntity(FFE) vector of length n=deg(charpol), storing the initial state of the UNKNOWNEntity(LFSR), with indeces from n-1, ..., 0
- state UNKNOWNEntity(FFE) vector of length n=deg(charpol), storing the current state of the UNKNOWNEntity(LFSR), with indeces from n-1, ..., 0
- numsteps the number of steps performed thus far (initialized to -1 when created, set to 0 when loaded using LoadFSR (??) and incremented by 1 with each step (using StepFSR (??)))

Attributes FieldPoly (??), UnderlyingFied (??), CharPoly, FeedbackVec (??), Length (??) and OutputTap (??) and the property IsLinearFeedback are set during the construction of an UN-KNOWNEntity(LFSR).

If there is something wrong with the arguments (e.g. attempting to create an extension field using a reducible poynomial), an error message appears and the function returns fail.

3.2.2 IsLinearFeedback (for an LFSR)

If we were to represent the UNKNOWNEntity(LFSR) with a multivariate polynomial, DegreeOf-Polynomial would return 1 - the feedback polynomial is linear and IsLinearFeedback is set to *true*. (ie. only linear terms are present: monomials with only one variable)

Filter IsLFSR is defined as and-filter of IsFSR and IsLinearFeedback.

3.2.3 CharPoly (for an LFSR)

CharPoly(1fsr) (attribute)

Attribute holding the characteristic polynomial (the feedback polynomial).

3.2.4 IsPeriodic (for an LFSR)

Properties, attributes and methods concerning the periodicity of the output sequence(s), generated by the UNKNOWNEntity(LFSR).

Properties:

- IsPeriodic: true if constant term of CharPoly != 0 (8.11 lidl, niederreiter)
- IsUltPeriodic: true if UNKNOWNEntity(LFSR) (8.7 lidl, niederreiter)
- IsMaxSeqLFSR: true if CharPoly is primitive (ref???)

Attributes:

• Period: holds the period of the UNKNOWNEntity(LFSR)

Methods to compute the period:

- PeriodIrreducible:
- PeriodReducible:

3.2.5 ViewObj (for an NLFSR)

```
      ▷ ViewObj([B, ]nlfsr)
      (method)

      ▷ PrintObj([B, ]nlfsr)
      (method)

      ▷ PrintAll([B, ]nlfsr)
      (method)
```

Different detail on the UNKNOWNEntity(NLFSR) created by NLFSR (3.3.2):

- \bullet Display/View: show the MultivarPoly and wheter or not the UNKNOWNEntity(NLFSR) is empty
- Print: same as Display/View if UNKNOWNEntity(NLFSR) is empty, otherwise it also shows the values of the three components init, state and numsteps
- PrintAll: same as Print if UNKNOWNEntity(NLFSR) is empty, otherwise it also shows the values of the three components init, state and numsteps with additional information about the underlying field and the tap positions

Can be used with optional parameter basis B for desiered output format.

3.3 NLFSR specific funcionality

3.3.1 ChooseField (for a given field)

 \triangleright ChooseField(F) (function)

Workaround for the UNKNOWNEntity(NLFSR) object definition: we need to fix the chosen underlying finite field and prepare indeterminates in the chosen field. The indeterminates will be used for the multivariable polynomial, which will define the UNKNOWNEntity(NLFSR) feedback. Current threshold is set by global MaxNLFSRLen = 100.

3.3.2 NLFSR

```
 > NLFSR(K, clist, mlist, len[, tap])  (function)  > NLFSR(K, fieldpol, clist, mlist, len[, tap])  (function)
```

Returns: An empty UNKNOWNEntity(NLFSR) with components init, state and numsteps Different ways to create an UNKNOWNEntity(NLFSR) oblject, main difference is in creation of the underlying finite field.

Inputs:

- F the underlying finite field (either an extension field or a prime field)
- fieldpol defifning polynomial of the extension field (must be irreducible) TO DO
- clist list of coefficients for the monomials in mlist
- mlist list of monomials
- len length of UNKNOWNEntity(NLFSR)

• tap - optional parameter: the output tap (must be a positive integer or a list of positive integers) and will be changed to the default S_0 if the specified integer is out of UNKNOWNEntity(NLFSR) range.

NOTE: clist and mlist must be of same length, all elements in clist must belong to the underlying field. Monomials in mlist must not include any indeterminates that are out of range specified by len: stages of UNKNOWNEntity(NLFSR) are represented by indeterminants and the feedback is not allowed to use a stage that doesnt exist. A second constraint on mlist requires that it must contain at least one monomial of degree \$>\$ 1, otherwise we must create an UNKNOWNEntity(LFSR).

Compoents:

- init UNKNOWNEntity(FFE) vector of length n=deg(charpol), storing the initial state of the UNKNOWNEntity(NLFSR), with indeces from n-1, ..., 0
- state UNKNOWNEntity(FFE) vector of length n=deg(charpol), storing the current state of the UNKNOWNEntity(NLFSR), with indeces from n-1, ..., 0
- numsteps the number of steps performed thus far (initialized to -1 when created, set to 0 when loaded using LoadFSR (??) and incremented by 1 with each step (using StepFSR (??)))

Attributes FieldPoly (??), UnderlyingFied (??), MultivarPoly, FeedbackVec (??), IndetList (??), Length (??) and OutputTap (??) and the property IsNonLinearFeedback are set during the construction of an UNKNOWNEntity(NLFSR).

If there is something wrong with the arguments (e.g. attempting to create an extension field using a reducible poynomial), an error message appears and the function returns fail.

3.3.3 IsNonLinearFeedback (for an NLFSR)

```
▷ IsNonLinearFeedback(nlfsr) (property)
▷ IsNLFSR(nlfsr) (filter)
```

For the multivariate polynomial given by *clist* and *mlist*, DegreeOfPolynomial greter than 1 sets IsNonLinearFeedback to *true*. otherwise it prints out a warning that you need to use the UNKNOWNEntity(LFSR) constructor instead.

Filter IsNLFSR is defined as and-filter of IsFSR and IsNonLinearFeedback.

3.3.4 MultivarPoly (for an NLFSR)

```
▷ MultivarPoly(nlfsr) (attribute)
▷ IndetList(nlfsr) (attribute)
```

MultivarPoly holds the multivariate function defining the feedback of the UNKNOWNEntity(NLFSR). IndetList holds all the indeterminates that are present in MultivarPoly and FeedbackVec holds only the nonzero coefficients (as opposed to the LFSR, where this field holds coefficients for all stages of the FSR). The feedback element is computed from MultivarPoly, IndetList and state, and not from FeedbackVec.

3.3.5 ViewObj (for an NLFSR)

\triangleright	<pre>ViewObj([B,]nlfsr)</pre>	(method)
\triangleright	PrintObj([B,]nlfsr)	(method)
D	PrintAll([B.]nlfsr)	(method)

Different detail on the UNKNOWNEntity(NLFSR) created by NLFSR (3.3.2):

- \bullet Display/View: show the MultivarPoly and wheter or not the UNKNOWNEntity(NLFSR) is empty
- Print: same as Display/View if UNKNOWNEntity(NLFSR) is empty, otherwise it also shows the values of the three components init, state and numsteps
- PrintAll: same as Print if UNKNOWNEntity(NLFSR) is empty, otherwise it also shows the values of the three components init, state and numsteps with additional information about the underlying field and the tap positions

Can be used with optional parameter basis B for desiered output format.

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