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$$lacksquare A = \{a_1, \ldots, a_n\} \subset \mathbb{Z}^+$$
 , $\mathcal{S} = \{u_1a_1 + \cdots + u_na_n \mid u_i \in \mathbb{N}\}.$

- $\bullet \deg_A(\mathbf{u}) = u_1 a_1 + \cdots + u_n a_n.$
- *A*-homogeneous prime ideals of height n-1, $I_A = \langle x^u x^v \mid deg_A(x^u) = deg_A(x^v) \rangle$.
- $A' = \{a_1/\gcd(A), \ldots, a_1/\gcd(A)\}, I'_A = I_A.$
- $(S) = \langle A' \rangle$ is a <u>numerical semigroup</u>.
- Looks at universally free numerical semigroup and study it's implications.

- A is the gluing of partitions A_1, A_2 if $lcm(gcd(A_1), gcd(A_2)) \in \langle A_1 \rangle \cup \langle A_2 \rangle$
- S is free for the arrangement $\{a_1, \ldots, a_n\}$ if for each $\{i, \ldots, n\}$ the set $\{a_i, \ldots a_n\}$ is the gluing of $\{a_i\}$ with $\{a_{i+1}, \ldots a_n\}$
- lacksquare \mathcal{C}_A set of circuits of I_A

Proposition

Let S be a universally free numerical semigroup then I_A is generated by n-1 circuits. And some other more technical properties, involving Betti degree and critical binomials.

Proposition

If S is a universally free numerical semigroup then $C_A \subset \mathcal{M}_A$

Conjecture

S is a universally free numerical semigroup if and only if $C_A \subset \mathcal{M}_A$. Large 15 day computation suggesting true.

Theorem

Let S be a numerical semigroup, S is universally free if and only if every reduced Gröbner basis of I_A has n-1 elements.

- A degrees of any Markov basis are invariant and called the <u>Betti</u> degrees of I_A .
- If A is a finite set of positive integers, $C_A \subset U_A \subset Gr_A$ and $Cr_A \subset \mathcal{M}_A \subset Gr_A$.
- A is Betti divisible if its Betti degrees are ordered by divisibility.
- If S is a Betti divisible numerical semigroup minimally generated by A then $C_A = U_A \subset Cr_A = \mathcal{M}_A = Gr_A$.
- Gives characterization of 3 generated universally free numerical semigroups.