

MitM: Math in the Middle

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*“Knowledge-Based Interoperability for
Mathematical Software Systems”*



JANE WANTS TO EXPERIMENT WITH
INVARIANT THEORY OF FINITE GROUPS
SHE IS A **SAGEMATH USER** AND WANTS
TO RECEIVE THE RESULT IN **SAGEMATH**

GOAL:

- CONSTRUCT AN IDEAL I
THAT IS FIXED BY A GROUP G
ACTING ON THE VARIABLES
- LINK PROPERTIES OF G
TO PROPERTIES OF I

SHE NEEDS THE **GRÖBNER**
BASIS B OF I

JANE CAN
SEE THE
RESULT IN
SAGEMATH

$R = \mathbb{Z}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$
PICK SOME POLYNOMIAL P FROM R
AND CONSIDER THE IDEAL I OF R
GENERATED BY THE ORBIT O OF P
 $O = G \cdot P$ $I = \langle O \rangle_R$

SHE WANTS:

- **GAP'S ORBIT ALGORITHM**
- **SINGULAR'S GRÖBNER ALGORITHM**

STEP 1

SHE CONSTRUCTS $R = \mathbb{Z}[x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4]$
THE OBJECTS $P = 3x_1 + 2x_2$
IN **SAGEMATH** $G = \text{DihedralGroup}(4)$

STEP 2

SHE CALLS

$O = \text{MitM.GAP.orbit}(G, P)$ the orbit
 $I = \text{MitM.Singular.Ideal}(O)$
 $B = I.\text{Groebner}().\text{Sage}()$ the ideal
the Gröbner basis

TRANSLATION OF B
TO THE **SAGEMATH**
SYSTEM DIALECT

STEP 3

soqe

COMPUTES THE
GRÖBNER BASIS B

SINGULAR

CONSTRUCTS
THE IDEAL I

TRANSLATION OF O
TO THE **SINGULAR**
SYSTEM DIALECT

TRANSLATION OF O TO G , P
THE **GAP SYSTEM DIALECT**

GAP
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COMPUTES THE
ORBIT O

MATH IN THE MIDDLE
MEDIATOR