# Plantinga-Vegter algorithm takes average polynomial time

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Plantinga-Vegter algorithm

# Setting

#### What do we have?

- An implicit curve C inside  $[-a,a]^2$  given by a function  $f:[-a,a]^2\to\mathbb{R}$
- Interval approximations  $\Box f$  of f and  $\Box \partial f$  of  $\partial f$

#### What do we want?

• Piece-wise linear approximation L of C in  $[-a,a]^2$  such that  $([-a,a]^2,C)$  and  $([-a,a]^2,L)$  are isotopic

# Any assumptions?

- · C smooth
- C Intersects the boundary of  $[-a, a]^2$  transversely

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# Plantinga-Vegter algorithm for curves I

# Algorithm 1.1: PV Algorithm for curves (Plantinga, Vegter; 2004)

**Input:**  $a \in (0, \infty)$  and  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$ 

with interval approximations  $\square[f]$  and  $\square[\partial f]$ 

#### SUBDIVISION:

Starting with the trivial subdivision  $S := \{[-a, a]^n\}$ , repeatedly subdivide each  $J \in S$  into 4 squares until for all  $J \in S$ ,

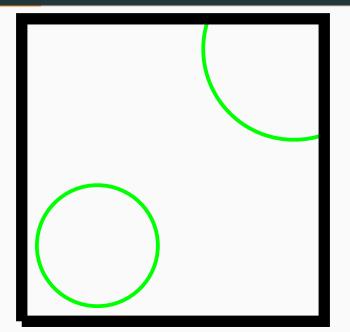
$$0 \notin \Box f(J)$$
 or  $0 \notin \Box \partial f(J)$ 

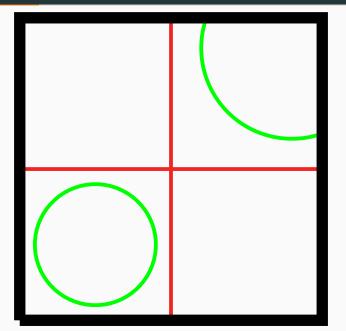
#### **CONSTRUCTION:**

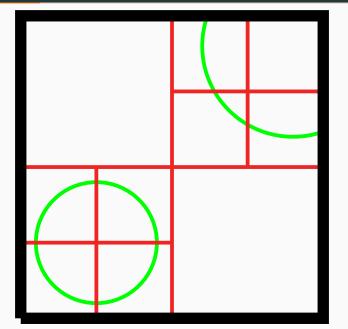
Construct piecewise-linear curve L

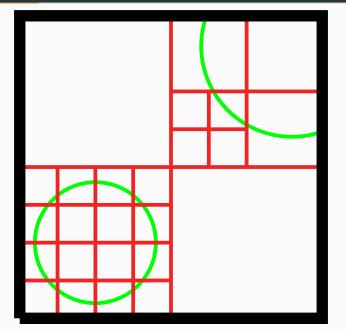
joining the midpoints of "small" edges of each  $J \in \mathcal{S}$  with oposite f-signs at their vertices

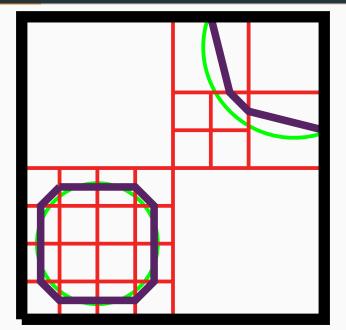
**Output:** Piecewise-linear approximation L of  $C = f^{-1}(0) \cap [-a, a]^2$  isotopic to it











# Plantinga-Vegter algorithm in higher dimensions

- Plantinga-Vegter algorithm can be generalized to produce isotopic approximations of surfaces (Plantinga, Vegter; 2004) This is really why is called Plantinga-Vegter! Very efficient in practice
- The subdivision method can be generalized to higher dimensions (Burr, Gao, Tsigaridas; ISSAC2017) but lacks the construction part...

We will focus on the later, since...

complexity of the algorithm is mainly that of the subdivision part

We will mainly count the number of subdivisions, because...

 $cost(subdivision algorithm) \sim \#(subdivisions) \cdot cost(evaluations)$ 

# Subdivision in Plantinga-Vegter algorithm

**Algorithm 1.2:** Subdivision of PV Algorithm (Burr, Gao, Tsigaridas; IS-SAC2017)

Input:  $a \in (0, \infty)$ ,  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$  with interval approximations  $\square[hf]$  and  $\square[h'\partial f]$  for some functions  $h, h' : \mathbb{R}^n \to (0, \infty)$ 

Starting with the trivial subdivision  $S := \{[-a, a]^n\}$ , repeatedly subdivide each  $J \in S$  into  $2^n$  cubes until the condition

$$C_f(J): 0 \notin \square[hf](J) \text{ or } 0 \notin \langle \square[h'\partial f], \square[h'\partial f] \rangle$$

holds for all  $J \in \mathcal{S}$ 

**Output:** Subdivision  $S \subseteq \mathcal{I}_n$  of  $[-a, a]^n$  such that for all  $J \in S$ ,  $C_f(J)$  is true

h, h' depend on the setting and the interval arithmetic one uses

Can we understand the complexity of the subdivision of the PV algorithm for polynomials  $f \in \mathcal{P}_{n,d}$  in terms of the number of variables *n* and the degree *d*?

# continuous amortization (Previous state-of-the-art)

Local size bounds and

#### Local size bound

**Idea**: Give a bound to the size of the smallest box containing a point not satisfying the condition.

#### Definition (Burr, Gao, Tsigaridas; ISSAC2017)

A local size bound for f is a function  $b_f : \mathbb{R}^n \to [0, \infty)$  such that for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,

$$b_f(x) \le \inf\{\text{vol}(J) \mid x \in J \in \mathcal{I}_n \text{ and } C_f(J) \text{ false}\},$$

where  $C_f(J): 0 \notin \Box[hf](J)$  or  $0 \notin \langle \Box[h'\partial f], \Box[h'\partial f] \rangle$ 

# 1st bound in terms of the local size bound

**Idea**: Boxes cover the cube. The volume of the boxes should add to that of the cube. Volume of the boxes is at least number of boxes times volume of smallest box.

# Proposition (Burr, Gao, Tsigaridas; ISSAC2017)

The number of n-cubes of the final subdivision of the subdivision of the PV algorithm on input (f, a), regardless of how the subdivision step is done, is at most

$$(2a)^n / \inf\{b_f(x) \mid x \in [-a, a]^n\}$$

where  $b_f$  is a local size bound for f.

(Burr, Gao, Tsigaridas; ISSAC2017) construct a local size bound for an integer polynomial  $f \in \mathcal{P}_{n,d}$  and obtain the bound

$$2^{\mathcal{O}(nd^{n+1}(n\tau+nd\log(nd)+9n+d)\log a)}$$

where au is the bit-size of the coefficients.

# 2nd bound in terms of the local size bound

**Refinement of the idea**: Not all boxes have the same size. " $\frac{dx}{b_f(x)}$  is, up to constant, the infinitesimal number of boxes needed to cover x" Formalized by (Burr; 2016) using the technique known as *continuous amortization* introduced in (Burr, Krahmer, Yap; 2009)

# Theorem (Burr, Gao, Tsigaridas; ISSAC2017)

The number of n-cubes of the final subdivision of the PV algorithm on input (f,a) is at most

$$\max\left\{1,\int_{[-a,a]^n}\frac{2^n}{b_f(x)}\,\mathrm{d}x\right\}$$

where  $b_f$  is a local size bound for f. Moreover, the bound is finite if and only if the algorithm terminates.

Techniques of (Burr, Gao, Tsigaridas; ISSAC2017) cannot exploit it!

# Can we exploit it?

(Burr, Gao, Tsigaridas; ISSAC2017) said...

Even though our bounds are optimal, in practice, these are quite pessimistic [...]

and

Since the complexity of the algorithm can be exponential in the inputs [size], the integral must be described in terms of additional geometric and intrinsic parameters.

What can be a solution to these issues?

# Condition numbers\*

\*as described in the book Condition (Bürgisser, Cucker; 2013)

# Condition-based complexity

# Local condition number

#### Definition (Cucker)

Given an homogeneous polynomial  $F \in \mathcal{H}_{n,d}$ , the local condition number of F at  $y \in \mathbb{S}^n$  is

$$\kappa(F, y) := \frac{\|F\|}{\sqrt{F(y)^2 + \|\partial_y F_{|T_y \mathbb{S}^n}\|^2/d}}$$

where ||F|| is the Weyl norm of F.

Given  $f \in \mathcal{P}_{n,d}$ , the local affine condition number of f at  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is

$$\kappa_{\mathrm{aff}}(f, X) := \kappa(f^{h}, \phi(X))$$

where  $f^h$  is the homogeneization of f and  $\phi: x \mapsto \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+||x||^2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x \end{pmatrix}$ .

Unfortunately the theory is developed for the homogenous setting. Too many translations!

# Geometry of the local condition number

#### Observation

 $\kappa_{\rm aff}(f,x)=\infty$  iff  $V_{\mathbb{R}}(f)$  has a singularity at x

Ergo... $\kappa_{\text{aff}}(f,x)$  controls how near  $V_{\mathbb{R}}(f)$  is of having a singularity at x.Can we be more concrete? YES!

#### Theorem (Condition Number Theorem)

Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and

$$\Sigma_{x} := \{ g \in \mathcal{P}_{n,d} \mid g(x) = \partial g(x) = 0 \},$$

i.e.,  $\Sigma_x$  is the set of hypersurfaces having x as a singular point. Then for every  $f \in \mathcal{P}_{n,d}$ ,

$$\frac{\|f\|}{\kappa_{\rm aff}(f,x)} = {\rm dist}(f,\Sigma_x)$$

where  $\|\cdot\|$  is the Weyl norm of  $\mathcal{P}_{n,d}$  and the distance is the induced by the Weyl norm of  $\mathcal{P}_{n,d}$ .

The wanted "additional geometric and intrinsic parameter"

# Condition-based local size bounds

# Theorem (Cucker, Ergür, T.-C.; ISSAC2019)

Let  $f \in \mathcal{P}_{n,d}$ . Then

$$x \mapsto 1/\left(2^{5/2}dn\kappa_{\mathrm{aff}}(f,x)\right)^n$$

is a local size bound for f with the interval approximation of (Cucker, Ergür, T.-C.; ISSAC2019), and

$$x \mapsto 1/\left(2^{3n}d^2\kappa_{\mathrm{aff}}(f,x)\right)^n$$

with the interval approximation of Remark 2.2. of (Burr, Tsigaridas, Yap; ISSAC2017)

## Condition-based cost

## Theorem (Cucker, Ergür, T.-C.; ISSAC2019)

The number of n-cubes in the final subdivision of the subdision of the PV algorithm on input (f, a) is at most

$$d^n \max\{1, a^n\} 2^{n \log n + 9n/2} \mathbb{E}_{x \in [-a, a]^n} \left( \kappa_{\text{aff}}(f, x)^n \right)$$

if the interval approximation is that of (Cucker, Ergür, T.-C.; ISSAC2019), and at most

$$d^{2n} \max\{1, a^n\} 2^{3n^2+2n} \mathbb{E}_{x \in [-a, a]^n} (\kappa_{\text{aff}}(f, x)^n)$$

if the interval approximation is that of (Burr, Tsigaridas, Yap; ISSAC2017).

Observe that the complexity depends on  $\mathbb{E}_{x \in [-a,a]^n} (\kappa_{\text{aff}}(f,x)^n)$  which varies with f. This is why the name condition-based complexity

Probabilistic complexity

# Uniform complexity analyses

## Worst-case complexity analysis:

What is the worst running time?

## Average complexity analysis:

What is the expectation of the running time on a random input?

# Smoothed complexity analysis: (Spielman, Teng; 2002)

What is the worst running time after perturbing the input with a random perturbation (with weight  $\sigma$ )?

# Smoothed lies between worst-case and average complexity

- $\sigma 
  ightarrow$  0: We recover worst-case complexity
- $\sigma \to \infty$ : We recover average analysis

# What do we mean by random? I

## Definition (Cucker, Ergür, T.C.; ISSAC2019)

A dobro random polynomial  $f \in \mathcal{H}_{n,d}$  with parameters K and  $\rho$  is a polynomial

$$f := \sum_{|\alpha| = d} {d \choose \alpha}^{1/2} c_{\alpha} X^{\alpha}$$

such that the  $c_{\alpha}$  are independent random variables such that

- P1  $\mathbb{E}c_{\alpha}=0$  (centered),
- P2  $(\mathbb{E}|c_{\alpha}|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq K\sqrt{p}$  for  $p \geq 1$  (subgaussian with  $\Psi_2$ -norm  $\leq K$ ), and
- P3  $\max_{u \in \mathbb{R}} \{ \mathbb{P}(|c_{\alpha} u| \leq \varepsilon) \}$  (anti-concentration with constant  $\rho$ ).

A dobro random polynomial  $f \in \mathcal{P}_{n,d}$  is a polynomial f such that its homogenization  $f^h$  is so.

# What do we mean by random? II

#### Examples of dobro random polynomials:

- N KSS random polynomial:
  - $c_{\alpha}$  is Gaussian with unit variance
  - $K\rho = 1/\sqrt{2\pi}$
- U Weyl random polynomial:
  - $c_{\alpha}$  is uniform distribution in [-1, 1]
  - $K\rho \leq 1$
- E A p-random polynomial:
  - $c_{\alpha}$  has density function  $c_p e^{-|t|^p}$  where  $c_p$  being the appropriate constant and  $p \ge 2$

(KSS=Kostlan-Smale-Shub)

**Note**: Dobro (добро) is a Russian adjective derived from добрый (dóbryj) which means kind, good, genial, gentle, soft, etc.

# Our result I: Average

# Theorem (Cucker, Ergür, T.C.; ISSAC2019)

Let  $f \in \mathcal{P}_{n,d}$  be a dobro random polynomial with parameters K and  $\rho$ . The expected number of n-cubes in the final subdivision of the PV algorithm on input (f,a) is at most

$$d^{\frac{n^2+3n}{2}}\max\{1,a^n\}2^{\frac{n^2+16n\log(n)}{2}}(c_1c_2K\rho)^{n+1}$$

if the interval approximations is as in (Cucker, Ergür, T.C.; ISSAC2019) and

$$d^{\frac{n^2+5n}{2}}\max\{1,a^n\}2^{\frac{7n^2+9n\log(n)}{2}}(c_1c_2K\rho)^{n+1}$$

if the interval approximation is as in (Burr, Gao, Tsigaridas; ISSAC2017). c<sub>1</sub> and c<sub>2</sub> universal constants.

With an improvement of our condition-based techniques we can eliminate the  $n^2$  of the exponent!

## Our result I: Smoothed

#### Theorem (Cucker, Ergür, T.C.; ISSAC2019)

Let  $f \in \mathcal{P}_{n,d}$ ,  $\sigma > 0$ , and  $g \in \mathcal{P}_{n,d}$  a dobro random polynomial with parameters K and  $\rho$ . Then the expected number of n-cubes of the final subdivision of the PV algorithm for input  $(q_{\sigma}, a)$  where  $q_{\sigma} = f + \sigma ||f||g$  is at most

$$d^{\frac{n^2+3n}{2}}\max\{1,a^n\}2^{\frac{n^2+16n\log(n)}{2}}\left(c_1c_2K\rho\right)^{n+1}\left(1+\frac{1}{\sigma}\right)^{n+1}$$

if the interval approximations (Cucker, Ergür, T.C.; ISSAC2019) and

$$d^{\frac{n^2+5n}{2}}\max\{1,a^n\}2^{\frac{7n^2+9n\log(n)}{2}}(c_1c_2K\rho)^{n+1}\left(1+\frac{1}{\sigma}\right)^{n+1}$$

if the interval approximation is as in (Burr, Gao, Tsigaridas; ISSAC2017).  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are universal constants.

With an improvement of our condition-based techniques we can eliminate the  $n^2$  of the exponent!

## Our result III: Back to curves

$$\mathcal{O}\left(d^{5}\right)$$
 and  $\mathcal{O}\left(d^{6}\right)$ 

with the interval arithmetic of, respectively, (Cucker, Ergür, T.C.; ISSAC2019) and (Burr, Gao, Tsigaridas; ISSAC2017)

## Our result III: Back to curves

$$\mathcal{O}\left(d^{5/2}\log^{5/2}d\right)$$
 and  $\mathcal{O}\left(d^3\log^3d\right)$ 

with the interval arithmetic of, respectively, (Cucker, Ergür, T.C.; ISSAC2019) and (Burr, Gao, Tsigaridas; ISSAC2017) With the new techniques!

Compare to bit-complexity

$$\tilde{\mathcal{O}}(d^6\tau+d^7)$$

of the deterministic algorithm of (Diatta, Rouillier, Roy; ISSAC2014) Some comments:

- Difference should be careful, complexity measured in different ways! But still, why so efficient?!
- PV algorithm does not work with singular curves, although there is work in this direction (Burr, Choi, Galehouse, Yap; 2012)
- Can we develop an hybrid approach working on all inputs with the same worst case, but faster on average?

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Galderak? **有问题吗?**