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> **Ideals and Varieties:** Let R be a commutative ring.

> DEFN: A subset $I \subseteq R$ is called an *ideal* if the following hold

1. $0 \in I$
2. $f, g \in I$ implies that $f + g \in I$
3. $f \in I, r \in R$ implies $rf \in I$.

> DEFN: Let $f_1, \dots, f_s \in R$. The set $(f_1, \dots, f_s) = \{\sum_{i=1}^s r_i f_i : r_i \in R\}$ is the *ideal generated by* $\{f_1, \dots, f_s\}$.

> DEFN: Let I be an ideal of R . We say that I is *finitely generated* if there are $f_1, \dots, f_s \in R$ such that $I = (f_1, \dots, f_s)$.

> NOTATION:² $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ is the polynomial ring with coefficients in k (where k is a field that is sometimes algebraically closed). Also, let $\mathbb{A}^n = k^n = \{(a_1, \dots, a_n) : a_i \in k\}$ represent affine space.

> DEFN: Let $I = (f_1, \dots, f_s)$ be an ideal in R . Define the *affine variety* corresponding to I as $\mathbb{V}(I) = \{a = (a_1, \dots, a_n) : f_1(a_1, \dots, a_n) = \dots = f_s(a_1, \dots, a_n)\}$.

> EXAMPLES:

1. (Twisted Cubic) $I = (y - x^2, z - x^3) \subseteq R = k[x, y, z]$. In this case,³

$$TC := \mathbb{V}(I) = \{a = (a_1, a_2, a_3) : a_2 - a_1^2 = a_3 - a_1^3 = 0\} = \{(a_1, a_1^2, a_1^3) : a_1 \in k\}.$$

2. Hypersurfaces: $\mathbb{V}((f))$ is called a *hypersurface*.

> PROPERTY OF $\mathbb{V}(-)$: Inclusion reversing: $I \subseteq J \implies \mathbb{V}(J) \subseteq \mathbb{V}(I)$. For example, $(y - x^2) \subseteq (y - x^2, z - x^3)$ will imply that $\mathbb{V}(TC) \subseteq \mathbb{V}(y - x^2) =: V_1$ (the latter is a parabolic cylinder). Also, since $(z - x^3) \subseteq (y - x^2, z - x^3)$ and so $TC \subseteq \mathbb{V}(z - x^3) =: V_2$ (also some kind of cylinder). In fact, $TC = V_1 \cap V_2$.

> DEFN: Given an affine variety $V \subseteq \mathbb{A}^n$, we define the ideal corresponding to it

$$\mathbb{I}(V) = \{f \in R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n] : f(a_1, \dots, a_n) = 0 \forall (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in V\}.$$

> RMK: $\mathbb{I}(V)$ is also inclusion reversing: $V \subseteq W \iff \mathbb{I}(V) \supseteq \mathbb{I}(W)$. Furthermore, $V = W \iff \mathbb{I}(V) = \mathbb{I}(W)$.

> RMK: $\mathbb{I}(\mathbb{V}(f_1, \dots, f_s)) \supseteq (f_1, \dots, f_s)$. (Prove this!)

> To see that this inclusion can be strict, consider the following example: (in $R = \mathbb{C}[x, y], \mathbb{A}^2$), consider $\mathbb{V}(x^2, y^2) = \{(0, 0)\}$ and $\mathbb{I}(\mathbb{V}(x^2, y^2)) = \mathbb{I}(\{(0, 0)\}) = (x, y)$.

> **Problems:**

1. Ideal description:

- Is every ideal $I \subseteq R$ finitely generated? (Hilbert Basis Theorem)
- How about a “nice” set of generators?

2. Ideal membership: Given some ideal $I = (f_1, \dots, f_s)$ and polynomial $f \in R$, is $f \in I$?

3. Ideals/Varieties: Given “nice” sets of generators for two ideal I and J , can we find sets of generators for $I \cap J$ or $I : J$ or I^{sat} ?⁴

¹This ensures that $I \neq \emptyset$.

²For the first half of this class

³Reference “numerical semigroup rings.”

⁴ I^{sat} is the saturation of the ideal I .

4. Implicitization / Elimination: Given a variety $V \subseteq \mathbb{A}^n$ defined parametrically, i.e., $\{x_i = g_i(y_1, \dots, y_m)\}_{i=1}^n$, can we find $\mathbb{I}(V)$ (equivalently, find relations between the x_i 's that don't involve the y_i 's).

> **Monomial Orders:** A monomial $x^\alpha = x_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots x_n^{\alpha_n} \in R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n], \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n$.

> DEFN: A *monomial order* on R is a binary relation “ $>$ ” on the set of monomials of R satisfying:

1. $>$ is a *total ordering* (any two monomials are comparable),
2. If $x^\alpha > x^\beta \implies x^\alpha x^\gamma > x^\beta x^\gamma$ for any $\gamma \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n$,
3. $>$ is a *well-ordering* (every nonempty subset of monomials has a smallest element under $>$).

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2. If $x^\alpha > x^\beta \implies x^\alpha x^\gamma > x^\beta x^\gamma$ for any $\gamma \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n$,
3. $>$ is a *well-ordering* (every nonempty subset of monomials has a smallest element under $>$).

> RMKS:

- (3) is equivalent to (3'): Every strictly descending sequence of monomials must terminate.
- (3) is equivalent to (3''): $>$ is a *global ordering*, i.e., $x^\alpha > 1$ for all $\alpha \neq (0, \dots, 0)$.
- (3) is equivalent to (3'''): $>$ refines the partial order given by divisibility, i.e., $x^\beta | x^\alpha \implies x^\beta < x^\alpha$.

> RMK: There is another natural partial order on R given by degree:

$$\deg(x^\alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i = |\alpha|.$$

Some monomial orderings refine the degree order, some don't.

> All examples below depend on an ordering of the variables: $x_1 > x_2 > \cdots > x_n$.

> Examples:

1. Lex: $x^\alpha >_{\text{Lex}} x^\beta \iff$ (defn) in first coordinate where α and β differ, we have $\alpha_i > \beta_i$. Equivalently, the leftmost non-zero entry of $\alpha - \beta$ must be positive. For example, $xy^2 >_{\text{Lex}} y^3z^4$, since the left has $(1, 2, 0)$ and the right has $(0, 3, 4)$. Note that this does not refine the degree order (since the one on the left has degree 3, the one on the right has degree 7). For another example, $xy^2 >_{\text{Lex}} xy$.

Note that this is similar to the “phonebook ordering,” but is only identical when restricted to monomials of a fixed degree.

2. GrLex: We say $x^\alpha >_{\text{GrLex}} x^\beta \iff \deg(x^\alpha) > \deg(x^\beta)$ OR $\deg(x^\alpha) = \deg(x^\beta)$ and $x^\alpha >_{\text{Lex}} x^\beta$.

Back to the example, we have $y^3z^4 >_{\text{GrLex}} xy^2$ here.

The other example, $x^2y >_{\text{GrLex}} xy$.

- (*) RevLex: $x^\alpha >_{\text{RevLex}} x^\beta \iff$ rightmost non-zero entry of $\alpha - \beta$ is negative. *HOWEVER*, this is NOT a monomial order! Note that (3') doesn't hold, since we have:

$$x >_{\text{RevLex}} x^2 >_{\text{RevLex}} x^3 >_{\text{RevLex}} \cdots,$$

since this is an infinite descending chain of monomials. Also (3'') doesn't hold, since this is NOT a global order: $1 >_{\text{RevLex}} x$ (we have $(0, 0, \dots, 0)$ and $(1, 0, \dots, 0)$).

- (3) GrRevLex: $x^\alpha >_{\text{GrRevLex}} x^\beta \iff \deg(x^\alpha) > \deg(x^\beta)$ OR $\deg(x^\alpha) = \deg(x^\beta)$ and $x^\alpha >_{\text{RevLex}} x^\beta$.

Exercise: Check this is a monomial order.

- (4) Weighted orders: Take $w = (w_1, \dots, w_n) \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^n$. Then define $x^\alpha >_w x^\beta \iff \alpha \cdot w > \beta \cdot w \iff \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i w_i > \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i w_i$.

If the entries of w are rationally-independent, then $>_w$ is a monomial order. Also note that rationally independent is equivalent to $>_w$ is a total order.

We could have problems.. pick $w = (1, 1)$. Then x^2 and xy can't be compared.

What if we don't want to work with w having \mathbb{Q} -independent entries? Then start with any w (which may give a partial order), then use a w' to refine, continue ... use $w^{(n)}$ to refine. Then this will give a total order.

For example, you can recover Lex by using $w = (1, 0, \dots, 0)$, $w' = (0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$, ..., $w'^{\dots'} = (0, \dots, 0, 1)$.

Note!: Any monomial order is equivalent to a refined weighted order.

3. Block order: Two blocks of variables $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ and $\{y_1, \dots, y_m\}$. Then $>_1$ =monomial order on $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ and $>_2$ =monomial order on $k[y_1, \dots, y_m]$. On $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_m]$, we have

$$x^\alpha y^{\alpha'} >_{1,2} x^\beta y^{\beta'} \iff x^\alpha >_1 x^\beta \text{ OR } x^\alpha = x^\beta \text{ and } y^{\alpha'} >_2 y^{\beta'}.$$

> DEFN: Let $f = \sum_{\alpha} \underbrace{a_{\alpha}}_{\text{constants}} \underbrace{x^{\alpha}}_{\text{monomials}} = a_{\text{multideg}(f)} x^{\text{multideg}(f)} + \text{lower terms}$, where $>$ is a monomial order, and

$$\text{multideg}(f) = \max\{\alpha : a_{\alpha} \neq 0\}.$$

The *leading coefficient* is $LC(f) = a_{\text{multideg}(f)}$.

The *leading monomial* is $LM(f) = x^{\text{multideg}(f)}$.

The *leading term* is $LT(f) = LC(f)LM(f)$.

> THM: (DIVISION ALGORITHM) Fix a monomial ordering " $>$ " on $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$. Let f_1, \dots, f_s be an ordered s tuple of non-zero polynomials in R . Then every polynomial $f \in R$ can be written as

$$f = a_1 f_1 + \dots + a_s f_s + r,$$

where $a_i, r \in R$ such that

1. $\text{multideg}(f) \geq \text{multideg}(a_i f_i)$ for all i such that $a_i \neq 0$. (In fact, $LT(f) = \max\{LT(a_i)LT(f_i) : a_i \neq 0\}$.)
2. no monomial appearing in r is divisible by any of $LT(f_1), \dots, LT(f_s)$.
3. for $i > j$, no monomial of $a_i LT(f_i)$ is divisible by $LT(f_j)$.

Proof. (Constructive) An algorithm that constructs a_i, r .

$a_i = 0$; $r = 0$.

while $f \neq 0$, do

look at $LT(f)$: if $M = \{i : LT(f_i) : LT(f) \} \neq \emptyset$, then (letting $i = \min M$) $f := f - \underbrace{\frac{LT(f)}{LT(f_i)} \cdot f_i}_{LT \text{ of this} = LT(f)}$ and

$a_i := a_i + \frac{LT(f)}{LT(f_i)}$. Else, $f := f - LT(f)$ and $r := r + LT(f)$. \square

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> NOTATION: $r = f\%(f_1, \dots, f_s)$ denotes remainder.

> Proof restarted.

Proof. Algorithm:

$a_i := 0; r := 0;$

while $f \neq 0$, do look at $LT(f)$: if $(U = \{j : LT(f_j) | LT(f)\} \neq \emptyset)$ then $\{i := \min U\}$.⁵

$a_i := a_i + LT(f)/LT(f_i)$

$f := f - (LT(f)/LT(f_i))f_i$ }

else⁶ {

$r := r + LT(f)$

$f := f - LT(f).$ }

Claim: This algorithm terminates (in a finite number of steps). Denote by $f^{(0)} = f$, $f^{(t)} = f$ obtained after the t th iteration of the algorithm. The sequence of monomials

$$LT(f^{(0)}), LT(f^{(1)}), \dots$$

because either (*) $f^{(t+1)} = f^{(t)} - (LT(f)/LT(f_i))f_i$ when $LT(f_i) | LT(f^{(t)})$ OR (**) $f^{(t+1)} = f^{(t)} - LT(f^{(t)}) \implies LT(f^{(t+1)}) < LT(f^{(t)})$.

Clarifying:

(*) $f^{(t+1)} = f^{(t)} - (LT(f)/LT(f_i))f_i$

$$LT(f^{(t+1)}) = LT(f^{(t)} - (LT(f)/LT(f_i))f_i)$$

$$= LT(LT(f^{(t)} + \text{lower order terms} - (LT(f^{(t)})/LT(f_i))(LT(f_i) + \text{terms that are smaller than } LT(f_i)))$$

$$= LT(\text{terms that are smaller than } LT(f^{(t)}) - \text{term that is smaller than } LT(f^{(t)}))$$

$$< LT(f^{(t)}).$$

By well-ordering ((3) of monomial orders) the sequence $\{LT(f^{(t)})\}_{t \geq 0}$ must terminate (i.e., after a number of steps N , $f^{(N)} = 0$).

This algorithm returns polynomials a_i, r . □

> EXERCISE: Check that (1), (3) in Theorem also hold.

> RMK: Having fixed $>$ and order of the f_i 's, the division algorithm in the deterministic form produces a unique remainder r . However, if we change the order of the f_i 's or if we change the term order, then the algorithm will produce a different remainder r .

> EXAMPLE 1: $f_1 = x^3$, $f_2 = x^2y - y^3$, $R = k[x, y]$, $> = \text{Lex}$ with $x > y$. Let $f = x^3y$.

Division Algorithm:

- Initialize: $f^{(0)} = x^3y$, $a_1 = a_2 = 0 = r$

- Iteration 1: $U = \{1, 2\}$, so $i = 1$. Then $a_1 = 0 + \frac{x^3y}{x^3} = y$. Then $f^{(1)} = x^3y - \frac{x^3y}{x^3}x^3 = 0$ (STOP).

Return: $a_1 = y$; $a_2 = 0$; $r = 0$, so $f - y \cdot f_1 + 0 \cdot f_2 + 0 = y(x^3) + 0(x^2y - y^3) + 0$

> EXAMPLE 2: $f_1 = x^2y - y^3$, $f_2 = x^3$ with same other hypotheses as in Ex. 1. Also let $f = x^3y$. Division Algorithm:

- Initialize: $f^{(0)} = x^3y$; $a_1 = a_2 = 0 = r$.

- Iteration 1: $U = \{1, 2\}$, so $i = 1$. Then $a_1 = 0 + \frac{x^3y}{x^2y} = x$. Then $f^{(1)} = x^3y - \frac{x^3y}{x^2y} \cdot (x^2y - y^3) = x^3y - x^3y + xy^3 = xy^3$.

- Iteration 2: $U = \emptyset$ (so we move to else branch). Now $r = 0 + xy^3$ and $f^{(2)} = xy^3 - xy^3 = 0$ (STOP).

⁵this makes the algorithm "determinate" (indeterminate version is pick some $i \in U$).

⁶This ensures that (2) holds.

Return $a_1 = x$, $a_2 = 0$, $r = xy^3$. Hence $f = x(x^2y - y^3) + 0(x^3) + xy^3$.

> **Initial ideals.**

> DEFN: Given an ideal $I \subseteq R$ and a monomial order $>$, then the ideal of leading terms (the initial ideal) of I is $LT(I) = \langle LT(f) : f \in I \rangle$.

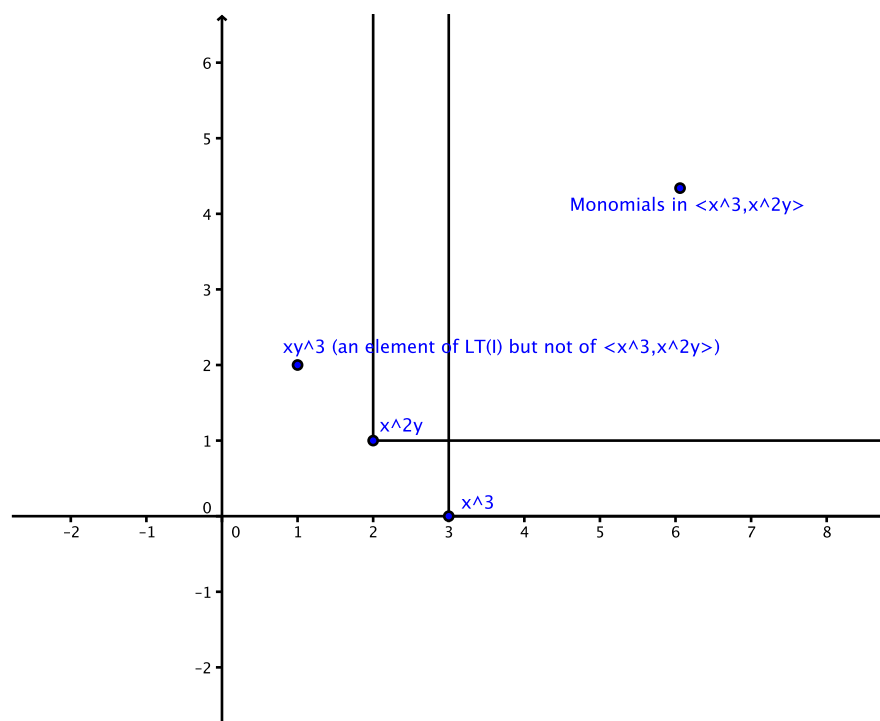
> RMKS:

1. The set of monomial elements in the $LT(I)$ is $\{LT(f) : f \in I\}$ (Easy exercise).

2. If $I = (f_1, \dots, f_s)$, then $\langle LT(f_1), \dots, LT(f_s) \rangle \subseteq LT(I)$.

3. Equality need not hold.

> EXAMPLE: $I = (\underbrace{x^3}_{f_1}, \underbrace{x^2y - y^3}_{f_2})$ with Lex. Then $\langle LT(f_1), LT(f_2) \rangle = \langle x^3, x^2y \rangle$. But $f = yf_1 - xf_2 = yx^3 - x^3y + xy^3 = xy^3 \in I$. Thus $LT(f) = xy^3 \in LT(I)$



> DEFN: Fix a monomial order. A finite subset $G = \{g_1, \dots, g_s\}$ of an ideal I is called a Gröbner basis or standard basis if $LT(I) = \langle LT(g_1), \dots, LT(g_s) \rangle$

> Question:

1. Does every ideal have a GB?
2. how can we find a GB?

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> **Monomials ideals, Dickson's Lemma, Hilbert Basis Theorem**

> DEFN: A *monomial ideal* is an ideal generated by a (not necessarily finite) set of monomials.

$$I = \langle x^\alpha : \alpha \in A \rangle,$$

where A is a set of elements of $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n$.

- > RMK: For I to be an ideal, the set of all exponents of monomials in I must be closed under translation by vectors with integer coordinates in the positive orthant.
- > LEMMA: (The membership problem for monomial ideals.)

1. $x^\beta \in I = \langle x^\alpha : \alpha \in A \rangle \iff \exists \alpha \in A$ s.t. $x^\alpha | x^\beta$.
2. $f \in I = \langle x^\alpha : \alpha \in A \rangle \iff$ every term of f is divisible by some monomial in I .

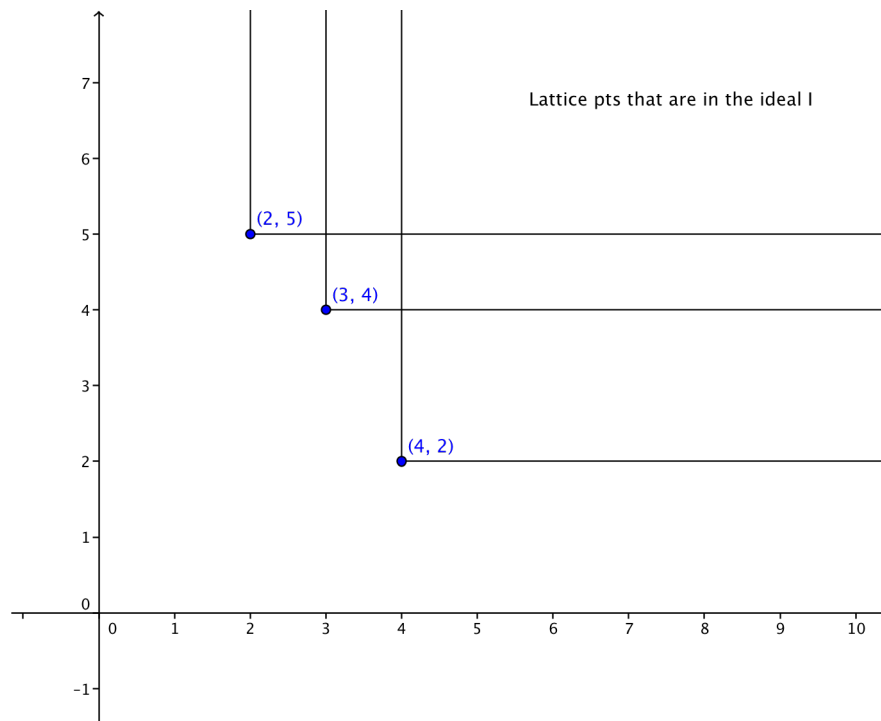
Proof. Left as an exercise. □

- > THM (DICKSON'S LEMMA): Every monomial ideal is finitely generated.

First, a proof by example/picture:

$$I = \langle x^4 y^2, x^3 y^4, x^2 y^5 \rangle$$

Consider the following diagram that represents the ideal I :



Project points down on the x axis, getting the ideal $\langle x^2 \rangle \subseteq k[x]$. The point lying over $(2, 0)$ is $(2, 5)$. Next, go to looking at $\langle x^3 \rangle \subseteq k[x]$. Using this we rewrite I as:

$$I = \langle x^2 y^5 \rangle + \langle x^3 y^4 \rangle + \langle x^4 y^3 \rangle + \langle x^4 y^2 \rangle,$$

i.e., $x^2 y^5, x^3 y^4, x^4 y^3, x^4 y^2$ is a finite set of generators for I (not minimal).

Proof of Dickson's Lemma. By induction on n = the number of variables of R .

- $n = 1$ Every ideal in $k[x]$ is principal (see Homework #1), hence finitely generated.
- $n > 1$ Now assume that every monomial ideal in $k[x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}]$ is finitely generated. We will prove that every monomial ideal in $k[x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}, y]$ is finitely generated.

Let $f : k[x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}, y] \rightarrow k[x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}]$ be defined by $f(x_i) = x_i$ for $i = 1, \dots, n-1$ and $f(y) = 1$. Let I be an ideal of $k[x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}, y]$. Then $f(I) = J \subseteq k[x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}]$ is an ideal. By inductive hypothesis, $J = \langle x^{\alpha_1}, \dots, x^{\alpha_s} \rangle$ (which is finitely generated). Then there exist numbers m_1, \dots, m_s such that

$x^{\alpha_i} y^{m_i} \in I$. Let $m = \max\{m_i : 1 \leq i \leq s\}$.

Let $J_k := \langle x^\alpha y^k : x^\alpha y^k \in I \rangle$, where $0 \leq k \leq n-1$. Then $f(J_k)$ is an ideal in $k[x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}]$ and so $f(J_k) = \langle x^{\alpha_1^{(k)}}, \dots, x^{\alpha_{s_k}^{(k)}} \rangle$.

Claim: $I = \langle y^m x^{\alpha_1}, \dots, y^m x^{\alpha_s} \rangle + \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \langle y^k x^{\alpha_1^{(k)}}, \dots, y^k x^{\alpha_{s_k}^{(k)}} \rangle$.

Indeed, we only need to show the " \subseteq " containment (the opposite containment is obvious by construction). Moreover, it's enough to show that if $x^\alpha y^\beta \in I$, then $x^\alpha y^\beta$ is in the RHS.

- ◇ If $\beta \geq m$, then since $x^\alpha \in J$, $x^\alpha \in \langle x^{\alpha_1}, \dots, x^{\alpha_s} \rangle$ and so $x^\alpha y^\beta \in \langle x^\alpha y^m \rangle \subseteq \langle x^{\alpha_1} y^m, \dots, x^{\alpha_s} y^m \rangle$.
- ◇ If $\beta \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$, then $x^\alpha y^\beta \in J_\beta$, and so $x^\alpha \in \langle x^{\alpha_1^{(\beta)}}, \dots, x^{\alpha_{s_\beta}^{(\beta)}} \rangle$, hence $x^\alpha y^\beta \in \langle x^{\alpha_1^{(\beta)}} y^\beta, \dots, x^{\alpha_{s_\beta}^{(\beta)}} y^\beta \rangle$.

□

> ASIDE: We can also cover it with a disjoint union of copies of various dimensions of k :

$$x^2 y^5 k[x, y] \oplus x^3 y^4 k[x] \oplus x^4 y^3 k[x] \oplus x^4 y^2 k[x] := \mathcal{D},$$

we'll call the Stanley decomposition. We define the Stanley depth, sdepth , as the minimal dimension of a component:

$$\text{sdepth}(\mathcal{D}) = \min\{2, 1, 1, 1\} = 1$$

Also,

$$\text{sdepth}(I) = \max\{\text{sdepth}(\mathcal{D}) : \mathcal{D} = \text{Stanley decomposition of } I\}.$$

> CONJECTURE: (Stanley): Let M be an R -module. Then $\text{depth}(M) \leq \text{sdepth}(M)$. (Here, let's just view $M = I$ as an R -module.) For our ideal I above, we have $\text{depth}(I) = 1 = \text{sdepth}(I)$.

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> DEFN: A Groebner Basis $G = \{g_1, \dots, g_t\}$ is minimal (respectively reduced) if

(1) $LC(g_i) = 1$ for all $g_i \in G$.

(2 - minimal) For all $g_i \in G$, $LT(g_i) \notin \langle LT(g_1), \dots, LT(g_{i-1}), LT(g_{i+1}), \dots, LT(g_t) \rangle$.

(2 - reduced) For all $g_i \in G$, no term of g_i is in $\langle LT(G \setminus \{g_i\}) \rangle$.

> **Hilbert basis, existence of GB**

> HILBERT BASIS THEOREM: Every ideal I in $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ is finitely generated. (Equivalently: $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ is Noetherian i.e., ACC satisfied).

Proof. If $I = \{0\}$, we're done

Otherwise, $LT(I) = \underbrace{\quad}_{\text{Dickson's Lemma}} = \langle m_1, \dots, m_s \rangle$ for some monomials m_i . By Remark after defn of $LT(I)$,

every monomial in $LT(I)$ is of the form $LT(g)$, $g \in I$. This implies that there exists $g_1, \dots, g_s \in I$ such that $m_i = LT(g_i)$ for $1 \leq i \leq s$.

Claim: $I = \langle g_1, \dots, g_s \rangle$. To see this, let $f \in I$. By the Division Algorithm applied to f w.r.t. any order of the set $\{g_1, \dots, g_s\}$, we have:

$$f = \sum_{i=1}^s a_i g_i + r,$$

such that either $r = 0$ or no term in r is divisible by any of the $LT(g_i)$. Note that

$$r = f - \sum_{i=1}^s a_i g_i \in I \implies LT(r) \in LT(I) = \langle LT(g_1), \dots, LT(g_s) \rangle,$$

so $LT(r)$ is divisible by at least one of $LT(g_i)$, which contradicts the second possibility. Hence $r = 0$, which means $f = \sum_{i=1}^s a_i g_i \in \langle g_1, \dots, g_s \rangle$. □

> COR: If I is an ideal in $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$, then a Groebner basis for I exists.

Proof. The set $\{g_1, \dots, g_s\}$ from the proof of HBT is a GB for I . \square

> PROP (NORMAL FORM): Let $G = \{g_1, \dots, g_t\}$ be a GB of an ideal I and $f \in R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$. Then there is a unique r (independent of the order of elements of G) such that:

(1) Either $r = 0$ or no term of r is divisible by any of $LT(g_i)$.

(2) $f = g + r$ with $g \in I$.

> DEFN: The normal form of f w.r.t. G (or I) is r from Proposition.

> Notation: $r = f \% G = f \% I = \bar{f}^G$ all mean normal form.

Proof of Prop: Existence is given by the Division Algorithm (use any ordering of the g_i 's to apply the division algorithm).

Uniqueness: Assume $f = g + r$ and $f = g' + r'$, where g, r, g', r' satisfy (1) and (2). Since $g + r = g' + r'$, we have

$\underbrace{r - r'}_{\text{No terms are divisible by any of } LT(g_i) \text{ by (1)}} = \underbrace{g' - g}_{LT(g' - g) \in LT(I) = \langle LT(g_1), \dots, LT(g_s) \rangle} \in I$. Therefore there are no nonzero monomials in $r - r'$, hence $r - r' = 0$ and so $r = r'$. \square

> COR (IDEAL MEMBERSHIP): Given $I \subseteq R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$, $f \in R$, then TFAE

(1) $f \in I$

(2) $f \% G = 0$ for some GB G of I .

(3) $f \% G = 0$ for any GB G of I .

Proof. Fix " $<$ " a monomial order.

(1) \implies (2): Let $f \in I$, G be a GB of I , say $\{g_1, \dots, g_s\}$. Then $f \in I = \langle g_1, \dots, g_s \rangle$ and so $f = \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^s a_i g_i}_g + 0$.

The uniqueness of normal form implies $f \% G = 0$.

(2) \implies (1): $f \% G = 0$ implies $f = g + 0$, $g \in I$, i.e., $f \in I$. \square

> **How to find GB?**

> BUCHBERGER'S CRITERION & ALGORITHM

> DEFN: Let $f, g \in R$. Let $x^\gamma = LCM(LM(f), LM(g))$. The S -polynomial⁷ of f, g is $S(f, g) = \frac{x^\gamma}{LT(f)} \cdot f - \frac{x^\gamma}{LT(g)} \cdot g$. The leading term of the first part is $\frac{x^\gamma}{LT(f)} \cdot LT(f) = x^\gamma$. The leading term of the second part is $\frac{x^\gamma}{LT(g)} \cdot LT(g) = x^\gamma$. Then $\text{multideg}(S(f, g)) < \gamma$.

> THEOREM (BUCHBERGER'S CRITERION): Let $I \subseteq R$ be an ideal. A generating set $G = \{g_1, \dots, g_s\}$ for I is a GB of I if and only if $S(g_i, g_j) \% G = 0$, for every $i \neq j$.

> THEOREM (BUCHBERGER'S ALGORITHM): Let $I = \langle f_1, \dots, f_s \rangle \neq \{0\}$. Then a GB for I is constructed in a finite number of steps following the algorithm below:

$G := \{f_1, \dots, f_s\}$.

Repeat: $G' := G = \{g_1, \dots, g_t\}$. For every pair $1 \leq i \neq j \leq t$, if $S(g_i, g_j) \% G' \neq 0$, then $G = G \cup \{S(g_i, g_j)\}$.

Until $G' = G$.

⁷some people think S stands for Syzygy.

> Worked through M2: GBs.m2

> Consider $v_3 : \mathbb{P}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^9$ (the 3rd Veronese). Instead, consider $pv_3 : \mathbb{P}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^8$, called the Pinched Veronese. Consider:

$$0 \rightarrow I \rightarrow k[a_0, \dots, a_8] \rightarrow k[x, y, z]$$

where the maps are $a_0 \mapsto x^3, \dots, a_8 \mapsto yz^2$. (We've thrown out the degree 3 term xyz .) The pinched veronese is Koszul, which means when you resolve k over this ring, you get a linear resolution.

If I has a quadratic GB, then this is Koszul.

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> **Theorem (Buchberger's Criterion):** If I is an ideal in a polynomial ring and $G = \{g_1, \dots, g_s\}$ is a generating set for I , then TFAE:

- (i) G is a Gröbner basis for I .
- (ii) For every $f, g \in G$, $S(f, g) \% G = 0$ (some order on G).

Proof. (i) \implies (ii): Recall that $S(f, g) := \frac{x^\gamma}{LT(f)} \cdot f - \frac{x^\gamma}{LT(g)} \cdot g \in I$. By the Ideal Membership Criterion (using the fact that G is a GB for I), we get that $S(f, g) \% G = 0$.

(ii) \implies (i): We want to show that $LT(I) = \langle LT(g_1), \dots, LT(g_s) \rangle$. Let $f \in I$ and write $f = \sum_{i=1}^s a_i g_i$ (which we can do since G is a generating set for I). Here, $\text{multideg}(f) \leq \max\{\text{multideg}(a_i g_i) : 1 \leq i \leq s\}$.

Case 1: If $\text{multideg}(f) = \max\{\text{multideg}(a_i g_i) : 1 \leq i \leq s\}$, then $LM(f) = LM(a_i g_i)$ for some i , so $LM(g_i) | LM(f)$ for some i , hence $LT(f) \in \langle LT(g_1), \dots, LT(g_s) \rangle$.

Case 2: If $\text{multideg}(f) < \max\{\text{multideg}(a_i g_i) : 1 \leq i \leq s\} := \delta$, our aim is to show that this cannot occur. Start with an expression (*) that achieves the minimum possible δ . Among all expressions (*) with minimum possible δ start with one that has the property that $\#\{i : \text{multideg}(a_i g_i) = \delta\}$ is minimum possible (for this fixed δ). We now have, possibly relabeling the g_i s,

$$(*) \quad f = \underbrace{a_1 g_1 + \dots + a_m g_m}_{\text{multideg}=\delta} + \underbrace{a_{m+1} g_{m+1} + \dots + a_s g_s}_{\text{multideg}<\delta}. \quad (1)$$

Note that we must have $m \geq 2$ because cancellation must occur in the first piece.

$S(g_1, g_2) = \frac{x^\gamma}{LT(g_1)} \cdot g_1 - \frac{x^\gamma}{LT(g_2)} \cdot g_2$. By (2), we have $S(g_1, g_2) \% G = 0$, so $S(g_1, g_2) = \sum_{i=1}^s b_i g_i + 0$, where $\text{multideg}(b_i g_i) \leq \underbrace{\text{multideg} S(g_1, g_2)}_{<\gamma}$ (using condition (2) in the Division Algorithm). Now,

$$\frac{x^\gamma}{LT(g_1)} \cdot g_1 - \frac{x^\gamma}{LT(g_2)} \cdot g_2 - \sum_{i=1}^s b_i g_i = 0. \quad (2)$$

Recall, $x^\gamma = LCM(LM(g_1), LM(g_2))$ and $x^\delta = LM(a_1 g_1) = LM(a_2 g_2)$, hence x^δ is a common multiple of $LM(g_1)$ and $LM(g_2)$. Therefore $x^\gamma | x^\delta$, i.e., $x^\gamma \cdot x^\mu = x^\delta$ for some μ . Multiplying through (2) by $LC(a_1 g_1) x^\mu$. This gives

$$\underbrace{LC(a_1 g_1) \frac{x^\gamma x^\mu}{LT(g_1)} \cdot g_1}_{\text{multideg}=\delta, \text{lead.coeff}=LC(a_1 g_1)} - \underbrace{LC(a_1 g_1) \frac{x^\gamma x^\mu}{LT(g_2)} \cdot g_2}_{\text{multideg}=\delta} - \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^s LC(a_1 g_1) \underbrace{b_i g_i}_{\substack{\text{multideg}<\gamma, \text{ from div alg.} \\ \text{multideg}<\delta}}}_{\text{multideg}<\delta} x^\mu = 0. \quad (3)$$

Now subtract (3) from (1) to get:

$$\underbrace{\left(a_1 - LC(a_1 g_1) \frac{x^\delta}{LT(g_1)}\right) g_1}_{\text{multideg} < \delta} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=2}^m (BLAH) \cdot g_i}_{\text{multideg} \leq \delta} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=m+1}^s (BLEH) \cdot g_i}_{\text{multideg} < \delta} = f(*)$$

However, this now has $\leq m - 1$ terms of multidegree δ , contradicting minimality, so this case does not actually occur.

So, by Case 1, $LT(f) \in \langle LT(g_1), \dots, LT(g_s) \rangle$, hence $LT(I) \subseteq \langle LT(g_1), \dots, LT(g_s) \rangle$, implying that $LT(I) = \langle LT(g_1), \dots, LT(g_s) \rangle$. Therefore G is a GB for I . \square

> **Buchberger's Algorithm:**

$G := \{f_1, \dots, f_s\}$ is your set of generators for I .

Repeat $G' := G = \{g_1, \dots, g_s\}$

for $i \neq j$ do: compute $S(g_i, g_j)$ if $S(g_i, g_j) \% G \neq 0$, $G = G \cup \{S(g_i, g_j) \% G\}$ ⁸

Until $G' = G$ (i.e., at some iteration all S -polys give remainder 0).

> *Proof of Correctness of Buchberger Algorithm.* First of all, the fact that it computes a GB is a consequence of Buchberger's Criterion.

Let's prove that this algorithm terminates in finitely many steps.

Claim: If $G' \neq G$, then $\langle LT(G') \rangle \subsetneq \langle LT(G) \rangle$.

To see this, note that $G' \neq G$ gives that there exists $g_1, g_2 \in G'$ such that $S(g_1, g_2) \% G' \neq 0$. Let $r = S(g_1, g_2) \% G'$. Then (3) in the Division Algorithm implies that no term in r is in $\langle LT(G') \rangle$. In particular, $LT(r) \notin \langle LT(G') \rangle$. However, $r \in G$ so $LT(r) \in \langle LT(G) \rangle$. Therefore we have $\langle LT(G') \rangle \subsetneq \langle LT(G) \rangle$. We now have an ascending chain of monomial ideals

$$\langle LT(G^{(0)}) \rangle \subset \langle LT(G^{(1)}) \rangle \subset \dots$$

where $G^{(i)}$ is G after the i th iteration. This ascending chain must terminate. Therefore there exists i such that $\langle LT(G^{(i)}) \rangle = \langle LT(G^{(i+1)}) \rangle$, hence $G^{(i)} = G^{(i+1)}$, implying that the algorithm stops after iteration $i + 1$. \square

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> PROP: Fix a monomial order and an ideal I . Then there is a unique reduced GB for I .

Proof. Existence: homework problem.

Uniqueness: Assume G and G' are reduced GB's for I , hence G and G' are minimal. By a homework #1 problem, this implies $LT(G)$ and $LT(G')$ are minimal sets of monomial generators for $LT(I)$.

Notation:

$LT(I)$ is the ideal generated by the set of leading terms of all elements of I (I here is an ideal).

$LT(G)$ is the set of leading terms of all elements of G (where G is just a set).

Fact (left unproven): A monomial ideal has a unique minimal set of monomial generators.

This Fact then implies that $LT(G) = LT(G')$. Let $g \in G'$. Therefore there exists $g' \in G$ such that $LT(g) = LT(g')$. Consider $g - g'$. Note that no terms in $g - g'$ are divisible by elements of $LT(G)$, since G and G' are reduced. Note that:

⁸This was INCORRECT previously; it is the remainder, not the S -poly itself.

- (1) $(g - g') \% G = g - g'$
- (2) $g - g' \in I$ implies $(g - g') \% G = 0$.

Therefore, by (1) and (2), $g - g' = 0$, so $g = g'$. By a symmetric argument, we then obtain that $G = G'$. \square

> Ideal - Variety Correspondence (Improved):

- > Ideals $\subseteq k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ correspond to affine varieties $\subseteq \mathbb{A}^n$ by \mathbb{V} and \mathbb{I} .
 $\mathbb{V}(I)$ = set of common solutions of f_1, \dots, f_s , where $I = \langle f_1, \dots, f_s \rangle$.
 $\mathbb{I}(V)$ = set of polynomials vanishing at every point of V .
 Facts: we have $\mathbb{I}(\mathbb{V}(I)) \supseteq I$ (where strict inequality can occur).

> **Thm (Weak Nullstellensatz):** If $k = \bar{k}$, then $V(I) = \emptyset$ if and only if $I = (1) = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$.

> **Cor (Consistency Theorem):** - A practical way to check when $V(I) = \emptyset$.
 If $k = \bar{k}$, then TFAE:

- (1) $\mathbb{V}(I) = \emptyset$
- (2) $I = (1)$
- (3) Any GB G of I contains a constant among its elements.
- (4) The reduced GB of I is just $\{1\}$.

This isn't a silly theorem; consider the ideal $I = (x - 1, x + 1) = (1)$ (char not 2).

> **Thm (Finiteness Theorem):** Suppose $k = \bar{k}$ and $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$. Then TFAE:

- (1) $\mathbb{V}(I)$ is finite.
- (2) R/I is a finite dimensional k -vector space.
- (3) There exists finitely many monomials outside $LT(I)$.
- (4) If G is a GB for I , then for every i , there exists $n_i \geq 1$ such that $x_i^{n_i}$ is the leading term of some element of $G \iff LT(I)$ contains pure powers of every variable.

> **Thm (Strong Nullstellensatz):** Let $k = \bar{k}$ and $I \subseteq k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$. TFAE:

- (1) $f \in \mathbb{I}(\mathbb{V}(I))$
- (2) There exists $m \geq 1$ such that $f^m \in I$ (if and only if (by defn) $f \in \sqrt{I}$).

In other words, $\mathbb{I}(\mathbb{V}(I)) = \sqrt{I}$.

Proof. (1) \implies (2): Suppose $I = \langle f_1, \dots, f_s \rangle$. Consider $\tilde{I} = \langle f_1, \dots, f_s, 1 - gf \rangle \subseteq k[x_1, \dots, x_n, y]$.⁹

CLAIM: $\mathbb{V}(\tilde{I}) \neq \emptyset$. Suppose not. Let $(a_1, \dots, a_n, b) \in \mathbb{V}(\tilde{I})$. By definition of \mathbb{V} , we have $f_i(a_1, \dots, a_n) = 0$ for all $1 \leq i \leq s$, hence $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{V}(I)$. Then $1 - b \cdot f(a_1, \dots, a_n) = 0$. Since $f \in \mathbb{I}(\mathbb{V}(I))$, we get $f(a_1, \dots, a_n) = 0$. Now $1 - b \cdot f(a_1, \dots, a_n) = 0$ implies $1 = 0$, a contradiction.

By Weak Nullstellensatz, $\mathbb{V}(\tilde{I}) = \emptyset \iff \tilde{I} = (1) = k[x_1, \dots, x_n, y]$. Hence $1 = \sum_{i=1}^s p_i(x_1, \dots, x_n, y) \cdot f_i(x_1, \dots, x_n) + g(x_1, \dots, x_n, y) \cdot (1 - y \cdot f(x_1, \dots, x_n))$. Substitute $y = \frac{1}{f(x_1, \dots, x_n)}$. Then

$$1 = \sum_{i=1}^s p_i \left(x_1, \dots, x_n, \frac{1}{f(x_1, \dots, x_n)} \right) \cdot f_i(x_1, \dots, x_n) + 0.$$

Let $m = \max\{n_i\}$ (where $n_i = \deg(p_i)$).

$$f^m = \sum g_i(x_1, \dots, x_n) \cdot f^{m-n_i} \cdot f_i,$$

hence $f^m \in I$. \square

⁹Coming up with \tilde{I} is usually referred to as Rabinowitz's Trick.

> **Thm (Radical Membership):**¹⁰ Let $k = \bar{k}$, I and ideal, and $f \in R$. TFAE:

- (1) $f \in \sqrt{I}$
- (2) $\tilde{I} = I + (1 - y \cdot f) = k[x_1, \dots, x_n, y]$.
- (3) The reduced GB of \tilde{I} is just $\{1\}$.

> **Cor (Improved Ideal-Variety correspondence):** The following maps are inclusion-reversing bijections that are inverse to each other.

$$\underbrace{\{\text{Radical Ideals}\}}_{\text{(i.e., } I = \sqrt{I}\text{)}} \subseteq k[x_1, \dots, x_n] \leftrightarrow \{\text{Varieties in } \mathbb{A}^n\}.$$

> Next: Elimination. Looked at graph of $I = \langle xy = 1 \rangle$. Then $I(\pi(V)) = I \cap k[x]$.

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> **Elimination Theory** (Elimination of variables = Projecting onto coordinate hyperplanes)

> **Example:** $V = \langle y - z, zy - 1 \rangle$. Consider the projection $\pi : \mathbb{A}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^2$ defined by $\pi(x, y, z) = (y, z)$. Then $\pi(V)$ is the line $y = z$ in the yz -plane, except at $(0, 0)$. This line is the ideal $\langle y - z \rangle \subseteq k[y, z]$. Notice that $\pi(V)$ is not a variety: $\mathbb{V}(y - z)$ is the whole line.

> GOALS:

1. Give an algorithmic way for finding generators for the ideal I_ℓ "describing" $\pi(V)$.
2. Relate $\pi(V)$ to $\mathbb{V}(I_\ell)$.
3. Extending partial solutions (lifting from $\mathbb{V}(I_\ell)$ to $\mathbb{V}(I)$).

> DEFN: Let $t \in \mathbb{N}$, $1 \leq t \leq n$. An *elimination order* of $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ w.r.t. x_1, \dots, x_t is a monomial order which satisfies the following:

$$(E) : LT(f) \in k[x_{t+1}, \dots, x_n] \implies f \in k[x_{t+1}, \dots, x_n]$$

> EXAMPLES:

1. Lex with $x_1 > x_2 > \dots > x_n$ is an elimination order for any t .
2. Block order (product order) given by 2 arbitrary monomial orders $>_1$ and $>_2$ on $k[x_1, \dots, x_t]$ and $k[x_{t+1}, \dots, x_n]$. The block order = first compare using $>_1$ then break ties using $>_2$ ((E) holds because any monomial ≥ 1 .)
3. Weighted order with $w = (1, \dots, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$. First compare using $>_w$ then break ties using some other arbitrary monomial order on R .

> DEFN: The ideal $I_t = I \cap k[x_{t+1}, \dots, x_n]$ is called the *tth elimination ideal* of I . ($I_t \subseteq k[x_{t+1}, \dots, x_n]$.)

> **Thm (Elimination Theorem):** Let I be an ideal in $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$, let G be a GB of I w.r.t. an elimination order for x_1, \dots, x_t . Then $G_t = G \cap k[x_{t+1}, \dots, x_n]$ is a GB for I_t for the induced monomial order on $k[x_{t+1}, \dots, x_n]$.

> EXAMPLE: $I = \langle y - z, xy - 1 \rangle$. Compute $I_1 := I \cap k[y, z]$.

- Use Lex with $x > z > y$. Then $G = \{y - z, xy - 1\}$ is a GB, the Elimination Theorem gives $G_1 = \{y - z\}$ is a GB for I_1 , hence $I_1 = \langle y - z \rangle$. Then

$$S(y - z, xy - 1) \% \{y - z, xy - 1\} = 0$$

(by a homework problem).

¹⁰Using part (3), this allows us to test if an element is in the radical of an ideal.

- Use Lex with $x > y > z$. Then

$$S(y - z, xy - 1) = x(y - z) - (xy - 1) = -xz + 1$$

$$-xz + 1 \% \{y - z, xy - 1\} = -xz + 1$$

$$G = \{y - z, xy - z, -xz + 1\}$$

(check Buchberger stops here). By Elimination Theorem, $G_1 = \{y - z\}$, hence $I_1 = \langle y - z \rangle$.

Proof of Elimination Theorem. We need to show:

- $\langle G_t \rangle = I_t$
- $\langle LT(G_t) \rangle = LT(I_t)$. (Clearly, $G_t \subseteq I_t$ gives $\langle LT(G_t) \rangle \subseteq LT(I_t)$.) For the converse, let $f \in I_t$, and so $f \in k[x_{t+1}, \dots, x_n]$, hence $LT(f) \in k[x_{t+1}, \dots, x_n]$. $f \in I$ and G is a GB for I , and so $LT(f) \in \langle LT(G) \rangle$, which implies there is $g \in G$ such that $LT(g) | LT(f)$. This means we can write $LT(g) \in k[x_{t+1}, \dots, x_n]$, hence by (E), $g \in k[x_{t+1}, \dots, x_n]$ and so $g \in G \cap k[x_{t+1}, \dots, x_n] = G_t$. Therefore $LT(f) \in \langle LT(G_t) \rangle$. Hence $LT(I_t) \subseteq \langle LT(G_t) \rangle$.

□

- > DEFN: A point $(a_{t+1}, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{V}(I_t) \subseteq \mathbb{A}^{n-t}$ is a *partial solution* to the equations given by (a finite set of generators) of I .
- > DEFN: A set of points is Zariski closed if it is an affine variety. We say a set of points is Zariski open if its complement is Zariski closed.
- > RMK: Zariski open sets form a topology on \mathbb{A}^n .
- > DEFN: Given a set of points S , the *Zariski closure* of S is the smallest Zariski closed set containing S , denoted by \overline{S} .
- > EXAMPLE: The Zariski closure of a line missing a point in the yz -plane is the entire line in the plane.
- > NEXT TIME: $\overline{\pi(V)} = \mathbb{V}(I_t)$

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- > Given an ideal $I \subseteq k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$; $V = \mathbb{V}(I)$. We defined $I_t = I \cap k[x_{t+1}, \dots, x_n]$ (the t^{th} elimination ideal). We defined $V(I_t) =$ the variety of partial solutions.
- We have $\pi_t : \mathbb{A}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^{n-t}$ is the projection onto last $(n - t)$ -coordinates.
- > **Closure Theorem:** If k is algebraically closed, then $\overline{\pi_t(V)} = \mathbb{V}(I_t)$.
- > DEFN: If S is a set of points in \mathbb{A}^n , we can define $\mathbb{I}(S) = \{f \in k[x_1, \dots, x_n] : f \text{ vanishes at every point in } S\}$.
- > LEMMA: If S is a set of points in \mathbb{A}^n , then $\overline{S} = \mathbb{V}(\mathbb{I}(S))$.

Proof. We need to show:

- (1) $\mathbb{V}(\mathbb{I}(S))$ is an affine variety containing S . (By defn).
- (2) $\mathbb{V}(\mathbb{I}(S))$ is the smallest (w.r.t. containment) affine variety containing S . Let W be an affine variety containing S . We'll show $\mathbb{V}(\mathbb{I}(S)) \subseteq W$. We have

$$W \supseteq S \implies \mathbb{I}(W) \subseteq \mathbb{I}(S) \implies W = \mathbb{V}(\mathbb{I}(W)) \supseteq \mathbb{V}(\mathbb{I}(S)),$$

hence $W \supseteq \mathbb{V}(\mathbb{I}(S))$.

□

Proof of Closure Theorem: CLAIM 1: $\pi_t(V) \subseteq \mathbb{V}(I_t)$.

If $(a_{t+1}, \dots, a_n) \in \pi_t(V)$, then there exists $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in V = \mathbb{V}(I)$ such that for all $f \in I$, $f(a_1, \dots, a_n) = 0$. Therefore for all $f \in I \cap k[x_{t+1}, \dots, x_n]$, $f(a_1, \dots, a_n) = 0$. Then for any $f \in I_t$, $f(a_{t+1}, \dots, a_n) = 0$. Thus $(a_{t+1}, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{V}(I_t)$.

$\pi_t(V) \subseteq \mathbb{V}(I_t)$, and so $\overline{\pi_t(V)} \subseteq \mathbb{V}(I_t)$.

CLAIM 2: $\mathbb{I}(\pi_t(V)) \subseteq \mathbb{I}(\mathbb{V}(I_t))$. Let $f \in \mathbb{I}(\pi_t(V))$, then f vanishes at every point of $\pi_t(V)$. View f as a polynomial in $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$. Then f vanishes at every point of V .

$$f(a_1, \dots, a_t, a_{t+1}, \dots, a_n) = f(a_{t+1}, \dots, a_n) = 0$$

Thus $f \in \mathbb{I}(V) = \mathbb{I}(\mathbb{V}(I)) = \sqrt{I}$, and so there exists $m \geq 1$ such that $f^m \in I$. Then $f \in k[x_{t+1}, \dots, x_n] \implies f^m \in k[x_{t+1}, \dots, x_n]$, and so $f^m \in I \cap k[x_{t+1}, \dots, x_n] = I_t$. Therefore $f^m \in I_t$, hence $f \in \sqrt{I_t} = \mathbb{I}(\mathbb{V}(I_t))$. Here we're using the Strong Nullstellensatz.

So $\mathbb{I}(\pi_t(V)) \subseteq \mathbb{I}(\mathbb{V}(I_t)) \implies \mathbb{V}(\mathbb{I}(\pi_t(V))) \supseteq \mathbb{V}(\mathbb{I}(\mathbb{V}(I_t)))$. Therefore $\overline{\pi_t(V)} \supseteq \mathbb{V}(I_t)$. \square

> The Prop says: "most" partial solutions come from actual solutions. $\pi_t(V)$ fills up "most" of $\mathbb{V}(I_t) = \overline{\pi_t(V)}$.

> PROP: There exists an affine variety $W \subseteq V(I_t)$ such that

- $\overline{\mathbb{V}(I_t) \setminus W} = \mathbb{V}(I_t)$ (i.e., W is "small")

- $V(I_t) \setminus W \subseteq \pi_t(V)$ (i.e., $V(I_t)$ differs from $\pi_t(V)$ by some set that is even smaller than W).

> **Thm (Extension Theorem):** Let k be algebraically closed; let I_1 be the first elimination ideal. Say $I = \langle f_1, \dots, f_s \rangle \subseteq k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$. Write $f_i = x_1^{N_i} g_i(x_2, \dots, x_n) + \text{terms where degree in } x_1 \text{ is } < N_i$. Let $(a_2, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{V}(I_1)$ be a partial solution. Then (a_2, \dots, a_n) extends to a solution $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{V}(I)$ if and only if $(a_2, \dots, a_n) \notin \mathbb{V}(\langle g_1, \dots, g_s \rangle)$.

> EXAMPLE: (from last time) $I = \langle y - z, xy - 1 \rangle$. We saw $I_1 = \langle y - z \rangle$. A point $(a, a) \in \mathbb{V}(I_1)$ extends to a point $(a_1, a, a) \in \mathbb{V}(I)$ if and only if $(a, a) \notin \mathbb{V}(y - z, y) = \mathbb{V}(y, z) = \{(0, 0)\}$ (where in the theorem, $g_1 = y - z$ and $g_2 = y$). Hence a partial solution extends if and only if it is not the origin.

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> Dickson's Lemma \implies Proof of Hilbert Basis Theorem \implies Existence of GBs.

> Also, Dickson's Lemma \implies the well ordering property for total orderings on monomials that refine divisibility.

> Monomial Ordering (with well-ordering to insure termination of the division algorithm in finitely many steps) \implies Division Algorithm (determinate form - involves an order on the set $\{g_1, \dots, g_s\}$) \implies Division Algorithm (indeterminate form) (to see if $S(f, g) = \sum a_i g_i$, $\text{multideg}(a_i g_i) \leq \text{multideg}(S(f, g))$) \implies Buchberger's Algorithm / Criterion \implies Construction of GBs

> Gröbner bases for modules

- > Let $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$. Use u, v to denote monomials in R (formerly x^α).
Fix a free R -module F with basis $\{e_1, \dots, e_r\}$
- > DEFN: We say $m \in F$ is a *monomial* in F if $m = u \cdot e_i$, where u is a monomial in R .
- > DEFN: We say that U is a *monomial* submodule of F if it is generated by monomials of F .
- > PROP: (Characterization of monomial submodules):
 $U \subseteq F$ is a monomial submodule if and only if for every $1 \leq i \leq r$ there is a monomial ideal $I_i \subseteq R$ such that $U = I_1 e_1 \oplus \dots \oplus I_r e_r$.
- > COR 1: Any monomial submodule of a free R -module is finitely generated. (use the Prop and Dickson's lemma, taking finite generators for each of the I_i).
- > COR 2: Any submodule of a finitely generated free R -module is finitely generated (from Cor. 1 and the argument from Dickson's Lemma to the proof of the Hilbert Basis Thm.)
- > COR 3: Gröbner bases for modules exist.
- > DEFN: A *monomial ordering* on the monomials of the free module F is a total order satisfying:
 - (1) $m < um$, for any monomial $m \in F$, for any $u \in R$, u a monomial, $u \neq 1$.
 - (2) $m_1 < m_2$ implies $um_1 < um_2$ for all $m_1, m_2 \in F$ monomials and for all $u \in R$, a monomial.
- > EXAMPLES OF MONOMIAL ORDERINGS ON F : We fix a monomial order " $>$ " on R .
 1. Position over Coefficient: $ue_i > ue_j$ if $i < j$ OR $i = j$ and $u > v$.
 2. Coefficient over Position: $ue_i > ue_j$ if $u > v$ OR $u = v$ and $i < j$.

For example, take $R = k[[x_1, x_2]]$ and $F = Re_1 \oplus Re_2$. Then $x_2 e_1 >_{\text{PoC}} x_1 e_2$ but $x_2 e_1 <_{\text{CoP}} x_1 e_2$ with Lex on R .
- > The notions of LT, LC, LM have the same definition.
- > DEFN: Given a submodule U of a finitely generated free module F , a set $G = \{g_1, \dots, g_s\}$ is a Gröbner basis of U if
 - (1) G generates U (as an R -module).
 - (2) $LT(U) = \langle LT(g_1), \dots, LT(g_s) \rangle$. Where $LT(U)$ is the "initial module of U ."
- > DEFN: S -elements can be defined for $f, g \in F$ such that $LT(f) = ue_i$ and $LT(g) = ve_j$ where $i = j$. For such f, g we define:

$$S(f, g) = \frac{LCM(u, v)}{u} f - \frac{LCM(u, v)}{v} g.$$

(This is defined so that cancellation of LTs occurs.)
- > **Syzygies:**
- > PROP: Given an R -module M there exists a free R -module F and a submodule U of F such that $M \cong F/U$. Moreover, if M is finitely generated, then F can be chosen to be finitely generated.

Proof. Use first iso theorem. □

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> **Syzygies:**

- > Last time: Given an R -module M , we can iterate the procedure in the proof of the presentation (Prop.) to come up with a sequence of the free R -modules and R -module maps:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \cdots & \xrightarrow{\phi_3} & F_2 & \xrightarrow{\phi_2} & F_1 & \xrightarrow{\phi_1} & F_0 \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} M \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \searrow & & \searrow & & \\
 & & & U_2 & & & U_1 \\
 & & \nearrow & & \nearrow & & \\
 0 & & & & & & 0
 \end{array}$$

such that

- $M = \text{coker}(\phi_1) = F_0 / \text{im}(\phi_1)$
- $\ker(\phi_i) = \text{im}(\phi_{i+1})$ (This implies $\phi_i \circ \phi_{i+1} = 0$ for all i)

- > DEFN: A sequence of free R -modules and R -modules maps as above is called a *free resolution* of M over R . The module $U_i = \ker(\phi_i) = \text{im}(\phi_{i+1})$ is called the i th *syzygy module* of M with respect to the resolution F_\bullet .
- > QUESTION: How to compute (find generators or presentations) for U_i ?
- > DEFN: Say $U = \langle f_1, \dots, f_s \rangle$ is an R -module. We denote by $\text{syz}(f_1, \dots, f_s) = \ker(R^s \rightarrow U)$.
- > LEMMA: (Buchberger's criterion gives us syzygies for free.) If $\{f_1, \dots, f_s\}$ is a GB for an R -modules U , then we can use $S(f_i, f_j)$ to come up with elements $r_{ij} \in \text{syz}(f_1, \dots, f_s)$.

Proof. (Also defining r_{ij} .)

Whenever the leading terms of f_i, f_j are supported on the same basis element of F we defined $S(f_i, f_j) = u_{ij}f_i - u_{ji}f_j$ (where $u_{ij} = \text{LCM}(-)/\text{LT}(-)$ and $u_{ji} = \text{LCM}(-)/\text{LT}(-)$).

Since $\{f_1, \dots, f_s\}$ is a GB, Buchberger's criterion for modules tells us $S(f_i, f_j) = \sum a_{ijk}f_k$, with $\text{LT}(S(f_i, f_j)) \geq \text{LT}(a_{ijk}f_k)$ for all k . So,

$$u_{ij}f_i - u_{ji}f_j = \sum a_{ijk}f_k \implies \sum_{k=1}^s a_{ijk}f_k - u_{ij}f_i + u_{ji}f_j = 0.$$

DEFINE: $r_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^s a_{ijk}e_k - u_{ij}e_i + u_{ji}e_j$.

Clearly, $\phi(r_{ij}) = 0$, so $r_{ij} \in \ker(\phi) = \text{syz}(f_1, \dots, f_s)$. □

- > **Thm:** The elements r_{ij} generate $\text{syz}(f_1, \dots, f_s)$ (if $\{f_1, \dots, f_s\}$ is a GB).

Sketch of Proof. Assign to $r \in \text{syz}(f_1, \dots, f_s)$ (write $r = \sum_{i=1}^s h_i e_i$) the monomial $u_r = \max\{\text{LT}(h_i f_i)\}_{1 \leq i \leq s}$.

Then the proof goes by contradiction: Suppose there exists $r \in \text{syz}(f_1, \dots, f_s) \setminus \langle r_{ij} \rangle$. Consider among such r one that has minimum possible u_r .

Since $\phi(r) = 0$, there exists at least 2 terms $h_1 f_1$ and $h_2 f_2$ such that $u_r = \text{LT}(h_1 f_1) = \text{LT}(h_2 f_2)$.

Use r_{12} and r to fabricate $r' \in \text{syz}(f_1, \dots, f_s)$ such that $u_{r'} < u_r$, contradicting minimality. □

- > COR: If U is a monomial submodule of F and $\{f_1, \dots, f_n\}$ is a set of monomial generators for U (in particular $\{f_1, \dots, f_n\}$ is a GB for U), then $\text{syz}(f_1, \dots, f_n)$ is generated by $r_{ij} = u_{ij}e_i - u_{ji}e_j$, where u_{ij}, u_{ji} are the coefficients from $S(f_i, f_j)$ if this exists. (i.e., r_{ij} is gotten from $S(f_i, f_j)$ by replacing f_i by e_i and f_j by e_j).¹¹
- > LEMMA: U is a free R -module if and only if $\text{LT}(U) = \bigoplus_{j=1}^m I_j e_j$ with all I_j being principal ideals.

Proof. Homework. □

¹¹Key point: If f_i, f_j are monomials, then $S(f_i, f_j) = 0$, hence $a_{ijk} = 0$ for all k .

> **Algorithm for computing a free resolution for M :**

- Start with a presentation $M = F/U$.
- Set $i = 1$, $U_1 = U$.
- Repeat until U_i is free:
 - ◊ Compute a GB of U_i ; compute $LT(U_i)$ and decide if U_i is free.
 - ◊ If U_i is not free, then $U_{i+1} := \langle r_{jk} \rangle$.
 - ◊ $i = i + 1$

> EXAMPLE: Set $M = R / \langle x^2, xy, y^2 \rangle$, where $R = k[x, y]$. Then (use a monomial order such that $xy > y^2$): $f_1 = x^2$ and $f_2 = xy + y^2$. Then $U_1 = \langle f_1, f_2 \rangle$ but we want a GB for U_1 . $F_0 = R$.

Compute $S(f_1, f_2) = yf_1 - xf_2 = -xy^2 = -yf_2 + y^3$. Buchberger's algorithm says: throw in $f_3 = y^3$.

$$r_{12} = ye_1 - xe_2 + ye_2 - e_3 = ye_1 + (y - x)e_2 - e_3$$

$$r_{13} = y^3e_1 - x^2e_3 \text{ (easy because } f_1, f_3 \text{ are monomials – see Cor.)}$$

$$r_{23} \text{ comes from } S(f_2, f_3) = y^2f_2 - xf_3 = y^4 = yf_3, \text{ so } r_{23} = y^2e_2 - xe_3 - ye_3 = y^2e_2 - (x + y)e_3.$$

So $\{f_1, f_2, f_3\}$ is a GB and $\text{syz}(f_1, f_2, f_3) = \langle r_{12}, r_{13}, r_{23} \rangle$. We want $\text{syz}(f_1, f_2) \dots$

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> See Haydee's notes.

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- > Used to be following Cochs little / oshea (?)
- > Now following: V. Ene & J. Herzog called "Gröbner bases in Commutative Algebra."
- > Also following: D. Eisenbud called "Commutative Algebra with a view towards Algebraic Geometry."
- > EXAMPLE: Compute a free resolution of $M = R / \langle x^2, xy + y^2 \rangle$ where $R = k[x, y]$ with Lex such that $x > y$.
 - Start with the presentation of $M = R^1 / U$, where $U = \langle x^2, xy + y^2 \rangle \subseteq R^1$.
 - We then have $R^2 \rightarrow U$ a surjection, mapped to x^2 and $xy + y^2$. This gives a map

$$R^2 \rightarrow R \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0,$$

where the first map is given by $\begin{bmatrix} x^2 & xy + y^2 \end{bmatrix}$. We now need $\text{syz}(x^2, xy + y^2) \subseteq R^2$.

- Need to compute GB of U . Put $f_1 = x^2$ and $f_2 = xy + y^2$.
 - ◊ First iteration: Compute:

$$S(f_1, f_2) = yf_1 - xf_2 = -xy^2 = -yf_2 + y^3.$$

The remainder in the last term is $y^3 \neq 0$. Buchberger's Algorithm tells us we need to include $f_3 = y^3$ in the GB. Now $G = \{f_1, f_2, f_3\}$.

◊ Second iteration:

$$S(f_1, f_2) = -yf_2 + f_3 + 0 \text{ (nothing new).}$$

$$S(f_1, f_3) = y^3f_1 - x^2f_2 + 0. \text{ (Nothing new; This is always the case if you start with coprime monomials.)}$$

$$S(f_2, f_3) = y^2f_2 - xf_3 = y^4 = yf_3 + 0. \text{ (Again, nothing new.) B. Criterion STOP.}$$

So, we have that $G = \{f_1, f_2, f_3\}$ is a GB for U .

- Turning S -polys into generators for the syzygy module $\text{syz}(f_1, f_2, f_3)$. (Then at the end we'll prune down.)

$$yf_1 - xf_2 = -yf_2 + f_3 \implies ye_1 - xe_2 + ye_2 - e_3 \in \text{syzy}(f_1, f_2, f_3)$$

So here we're mapping three copies of R onto U via $e_i \mapsto f_i$. The kernel of this map is $\text{syzy}(f_1, f_2, f_3)$. Here

$$r_{12} = ye_1 + (y-x)e_2 - e_3.$$

$$r_{13} = y^3e_1 - x^2e_2$$

$$r_{23} = y^2e_2 - (x+y)e_3$$

$$\text{syzy}(f_1, f_2, f_3) = \langle r_{12}, r_{13}, r_{23} \rangle \subseteq R^3.$$

- Pruning step: Plug in $e_3 = ye_1 + (y-x)e_2$ into r_{12}, r_{13}, r_{23} . Then r_{12} becomes trivial.. call the latter two r'_{13} and r'_{23} .

Then:

$$r'_{13} = y^3e_1 - x^2(ye_1 + (y-x)e_2) = y^3e_1 - x^2ye_1 - x^2(y-x)e_2$$

$$r'_{13} = (y^3 - x^2y)e_1 - x^2(y-x)e_2 = y(y+x)(y-x)e_1 - x^2(y-x)e_2$$

$$r'_{23} = y^2e_2 - (x+y)(ye_1 + (y-x)e_2) = -(xy + y^2)e_1 + x^2e_2,$$

$$r'_{23} = -y(x+y)e_1 + x^2e_2.$$

Hence

$$\text{syzy}(f_1, f_2) = \langle r'_{13}, r'_{23} \rangle \subseteq R^2$$

But: $r'_{13} = (y-x)r'_{23}$. So, $\text{syzy}(f_1, f_2) = \langle r'_{23} \rangle \subseteq R^2$. Hence $\text{syzy}(f_1, f_2) \cong R$, so it's a free R -module!

Now,

$$0 \longrightarrow R \xrightarrow{\begin{bmatrix} -y(x+y) \\ x^2 \end{bmatrix}} R^2 \xrightarrow{\begin{bmatrix} x^2 & xy+y^2 \end{bmatrix}} R \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow 0$$

is a free resolution of M (over R). Check the composition of the two maps in the middle are indeed 0.

- > **Schreyer's Theorem:** The idea: change monomial order at each step of computing a free resolution so that $\{r_{ij}\}$ form a GB for the syzygy module.
- > DEFN: Let $U = \langle f_1, \dots, f_s \rangle$ be a submodule of a free R -module F (we already have a given monomial order on F). Let $F' = R^s \rightarrow U$ by sending $e_i \rightarrow f_i$. We define a monomial order on F' as follows:

$$ue_i <_{\{f_1, \dots, f_s\}} ve_j$$

if $LM(uf_i) < LM(vf_j)$ in F or $LM(uf_i) = LM(vf_j)$ and $j < i$.

- > (Check: this is a monomial order on F' .)

- > **Theorem (Schreyer):** If $\{f_1, \dots, f_s\}$ is a GB of U , then $\{r_{ij}\}$ (as defined last time) form a GB for $\text{syzy}(f_1, \dots, f_s)$ with respect to $>_{\{f_1, \dots, f_s\}}$. Moreover if $i < j$, $LT(r_{ij}) = u_{ij}e_i$, where $LT(f_i) = ue_k$, $LT(f_j) = ve_k$ implies $u_{ij} = LCM(u, v)/u$. (u_{ij} come from $S(f_i, f_j) = u_{ij}f_i - u_{ji}f_j$.)

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- > **Theorem (Schreyer):** If $\{f_1, \dots, f_s\}$ is a GB of U , then $\{r_{ij}\}$ (as defined last time) form a GB for $\text{syzy}(f_1, \dots, f_s)$ with respect to $>_{\{f_1, \dots, f_s\}}$. Moreover if $i < j$, $LT(r_{ij}) = u_{ij}e_i$, where $LT(f_i) = ue_k$, $LT(f_j) = ve_k$ implies $u_{ij} = LCM(u, v)/u$. (u_{ij} come from $S(f_i, f_j) = u_{ij}f_i - u_{ji}f_j$.)

Proof. Recall $\{f_1, \dots, f_s\}$ is a GB for U so by Buchberger's Criterion, $S(f_i, f_j) = \sum_{k=1}^s a_{ijk}f_k$, where $LT(a_{ijk}f_k) \leq LT(S(f_i, f_j))$ for every k such that $a_{ijk} \neq 0$.

By definition, whenever f_i and f_j are of the form $LT(f_i) = ue_k$ and $LT(f_j) = ve_k$,

$$S(f_i, f_j) = (LCM(u, v)/u)f_i - (LCM(u, v)/v)f_j$$

Hence $u_{ij}f_i - u_{ji}f_j = \sum_{k=1}^s a_{ijk}f_k$, so $\sum_{k=1}^s a_{ijk}f_k - u_{ij}f_i - u_{ji}f_j = 0$. Then

$$r_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^s a_{ijk}e_k - u_{ij}e_i - u_{ji}e_j.$$

CLAIM 1: Every monomial in $\sum_{k=1}^s a_{ijk}e_k$ is $<_{\{f_1, \dots, f_s\}}$ than $u_{ij}e_i$. Indeed, $LT(a_{ijk}f_k) \leq LT(S(f_i, f_j))$. Therefore $LT(a_{ijk}e_k) <_{\{f_1, \dots, f_s\}} LT(u_{ij}e_i) = u_{ij}e_i$.

CLAIM 2: $u_{ji}e_j <_{\{f_1, \dots, f_s\}} ju_{ij}e_i$.

$$LM(u_{ji}e_j) = LM(u_{ij}e_i)$$

and

$$i < j \implies u_{ji}e_j <_{\{f_1, \dots, f_s\}} u_{ij}e_i$$

Claims 1 & 2 then imply $LT(r_{ij}) = u_{ij}e_i$. Next, we show $\{r_{ij}\}$ form a GB. We need to show that $LT(\text{syz}\{f_1, \dots, f_s\}) = < LT(r_{ij}) >$. Let $r \in \text{syz}\{f_1, \dots, f_s\} \subseteq F'$.

Hence $r = \sum_{j=1}^s r_j e_j$. Suppose $LT(r) = v_i e_i$ for some fixed i , v_i is a monomial in $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$.

Denote $LT(r_j e_j) = v_j e_j$ for every $1 \leq j \leq s$.

$r \in \text{syz}(f_1, \dots, f_s)$, so $\phi(r) = 0$ and so $\sum_{j=1}^s r_j f_j = 0$, in particular, $LT(v_i f_i)$ appears in the sum and is cancelled by other summands.

Let $S = \{j \mid LM(v_j f_j) = LM(v_i f_i)\}$.

CLAIM 3: $i = \min s$.

For every $j \in S$, $r_j e_j <_{\{f_1, \dots, f_s\}} r_i e_i$ because $LT(r) = v_i e_i$. Also for every $j \in S$, $LM(r_j e_j) = LM(r_i e_i)$. Hence $j > i$ (breaking ties using position).

Let $r' = \sum_{j \in S} v_j e_j$. But $\sum_{j \in S} v_j LT(f_j) = 0$ (because $\sum r_j f_j = 0$). Therefore $r' \in \text{syz}(LT(f_{j_1}), \dots, LT(f_{j_t}))$. By the Cor, $r' = \sum_{k, l \in S} b_{kl}(u_{kl}e_k - u_{lk}e_l)$. Then $LT(r')$ is divisible by $u_{ki}e_i = LT(r_{ij})$ for some $k \in S$, and so $LT(r_{ij}) \mid LT(r') = LT(r)$. This means $LT(r) \in < LT(r_{ij}) >$. \square

> COR: Re-index $\{f_1, \dots, f_s\}$ such that whenever $LT(f_i)$ and $LT(f_j)$ involve the same basis element, say $LT(f_i) = ue_k$ and $LT(f_j) = ve_k$, then $u >_{\text{Lex}} v$. Then if x_1, \dots, x_t do not appear in $LT(f_j)$, then x_1, \dots, x_{t+1} do not appear in $LT(r_{ij})$.

Proof. By the Theorem, $LT(r_{ij}) = u_{ij}e_i = (LCM(u, v)/u)e_i$. Then $u >_{\text{Lex}} v \implies$ exponent of x_{t+1} in u is bigger than the exponent of x_{t+1} in v , we get exponent of x_{t+1} in $LCM(u, v)$ is exponent of x_{t+1} in u , and so this power cancels in $LCM(u, v)/u$. \square

> **Thm (Hilbert's Syzygy Theorem):** Let M be a finitely generated R -module ($R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$). Then M admits a free resolution over R of length at most n .

For the resolution

$$0 \rightarrow F_p \rightarrow F_{p-1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow F_1 \rightarrow F_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$$

we define p to be the length of the resolution.

Proof. Let $t =$ largest index such that x_1, \dots, x_t do not appear in $LT(U_1)$. By the Corollary, x_1, \dots, x_{t+1} do not appear in $LT(U_2)$. Inductively, x_1, \dots, x_{t+i-1} do not appear in $LT(U_i)$. Set $i = n - t + 1$. Then x_1, \dots, x_n do not appear in $LT(U_{n-t+1})$. Hence $LT(U_{n-t+1}) = 0$, and so $U_{n-t+1} = 0$. Then note $n - t = p \leq n$. \square

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> **Plan of what's to come:**

1. Graded rings, modules, resolutions
2. (Multi) Graded free resolutions for monomial ideals
3. The relationship between the free resolution of I and that of $LT(I)$.

> Graded rings and modules / Graded resolutions.

> DEFN: Let k be a field. A ring R is a *graded k -algebra* (*graded ring*) if

1. $R = \bigoplus_{i \geq 0} R_i$, each R_i is a k -vector space.
2. $R_0 = k$
3. $R_i R_j \subseteq R_{i+j}$.

We say R is *standard graded* if $R = k[R_1]$ and $\dim_k R_1 < \infty$.

> EXAMPLE: $R = [x_1, \dots, x_n] = k \oplus \text{span}_k \langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle \oplus \text{span}_k \langle x_i^2, x_i x_j \rangle \oplus \dots \oplus \text{span}_k \langle \text{deg } i \text{ monomials} \rangle$.

> PROP: Let R be a graded k -algebra. Then TFAE:

1. R is standard graded
2. $R = \frac{k[x_1, \dots, x_n]}{I}$, where I is a homogeneous ideal contained in $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ and $n = \dim_k R_1$.

> DEFN: Let R be a graded ring. An R -module M is called a *graded R -module* if $M = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} M_i$ and $R_i M_j \subseteq M_{i+j}$.

> RMK: Any finitely generated graded R -module can be generated by a finite system of homogeneous elements. (Homogeneous elements are elements in M_i for some i .)

> From now on, $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$, $\mathfrak{m} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$.

> PROP: (NAK): Let M be a finitely generated R -module and let m_1, \dots, m_r be homogeneous elements whose residue classes modulo $\mathfrak{m}M$ form a k -basis for $M/\mathfrak{m}M$. Then m_1, \dots, m_r generate M .

> COR: Let M be a finitely generated R -module. Then ALL homogeneous minimal systems of generators of M have the same cardinality, namely, $\dim_k M/\mathfrak{m}M$.

> DEFN: (DEGREE SHIFTING): Let M be a graded R -module. Define $M(j)$ to be the graded module whose graded components are given by $M(j)_i = M_{i+j}$.

> EXAMPLE: Let $d \in \mathbb{N}$. $R = R_0 \oplus R_1 \oplus \dots$. Then $R(-d)_i = R_{-d+i}$, i.e., $R(-d)_0 = R_{-d} = 0 \dots R(-d)_{d+1} = R_1 \dots$:

degree	0	1	2	...	d	...	$d+i$...
R	R_0	R_1	R_2	...	R_d	...	R_{d+i}	...
$R(-d)$	0	0	0	...	R_0	...	R_i	...

> DEFN: An R -module homomorphism $\phi : M \rightarrow N$ is called *homogeneous* if $\phi(M_i) \subseteq N_i$. (This is also sometimes called *degree preserving*.)

> EXAMPLE: The R -module homomorphism $\phi : R(-d) \rightarrow R$ given by $\phi(x) = f \cdot x$ (where f is a homogeneous poly of degree $d > 0$) is homogeneous.

> DEFN: A free resolution

$$F_{\bullet} \cdots \rightarrow F_2 \rightarrow F_1 \rightarrow F_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$$

of a graded R -module M is a *graded free resolution* if each ϕ as well as ε are homogeneous R -module homomorphisms.

> PROP: Let $U \subseteq F$ be a graded submodule of a free R -module F . Then the reduced GB of U consists of homogeneous elements.

Proof. (sketch)

- S -elements between a pair of homogeneous elements are homogeneous.
- Remainders under division algorithm of a homogeneous element w.r.t. a set of homogeneous elements are homogeneous.
- This implies there exists a GB of U that consists of homogeneous elements.
- Furthermore, to get a reduced GB:
 - ◊ we discard some of the elements in the GB
 - ◊ we take further remainders
 - ◊ we multiply by constants.

These all yield homogeneous elements.

□

> COR: Let M be a graded R -module. Then M admits a graded free resolution of length $\leq n = \#$ variables.

Proof. (sketch) Previous Prop + Prop that r_{ij} generate $\text{syzy}(U)$ +HST.

□

> DEFN: A *minimal* graded free resolution of a graded R -module M is a graded free resolution

$$F_{\bullet} : \cdots \xrightarrow{\phi_2} F_1 \xrightarrow{\phi_1} F_0 \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} M \rightarrow 0$$

such that $\phi_i(F_i) \subseteq \mathfrak{m}F_{i-1}$ for all $i \geq 1$.

> RMK: The ranks of the free R -modules in a minimal graded free resolution of M are minimal among the ranks of free modules in any given graded resolution of M .

> EXAMPLE: Fix $f \in R$, $f \in R_d$, $d \geq 1$, (i.e., f is a homogeneous polynomial of degree d).

$$0 \rightarrow R(-d) \xrightarrow{f} R \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} R/(f) \rightarrow 0$$

- is a homogeneous free resolution of $R/(f)$.
- is also minimal because $\phi_1(R(-d)) \subseteq f \cdot R \subseteq \mathfrak{m} \cdot R$. (Or, look at the matrix $R(-d) \xrightarrow{[f]} R$ and check all of its entries are in \mathfrak{m}).

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> Example: f is a homogeneous polynomial with degree d . We came up with 2 resolutions for $R/(f)$:

$$0 \rightarrow R(-d) \xrightarrow{[f]} R \rightarrow R/(f) \rightarrow 0$$

We could also resolve (non-minimally) like:

$$F_{\bullet} : 0 \rightarrow R^2 \xrightarrow{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & f \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}} R^2 \rightarrow R/(f) \rightarrow 0$$

Note that this second one has elements (in the first column of the matrix) that are not in the maximal ideal \mathfrak{m} . So, we actually have that the following exact sequence injects into the last one:

$$G_{\bullet} : 0 \rightarrow R \xrightarrow{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}} R(e_1 - e_2) \rightarrow 0$$

Let's view this injection as a map of complexes:

$$0 \rightarrow G_{\bullet} \rightarrow F_{\bullet} \rightarrow F_{\bullet}/G_{\bullet} \rightarrow 0$$

Coincidentally, the cokernels give the minimal resolution!

> PROP: Every finitely generated graded R -module M has a minimal graded free resolution.

Sketch of Proof: Start with any graded resolution F_{\bullet} of M . (We know such F_{\bullet} exists.) If there exists $x \in F_i$ such that $\phi_i(x) \notin \mathfrak{m}F_{i-1}$ (i.e., F_{\bullet} is non-minimal). Then let

$$G_{\bullet} : 0 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow G_i \rightarrow G_{i-1} \rightarrow 0$$

is an exact complex. There is a sequence of complexes

$$0 \rightarrow G_{\bullet} \rightarrow F_{\bullet} \rightarrow F_{\bullet}/G_{\bullet} \rightarrow 0$$

The l.e.s. in homology corresponding to this sequence of complexes implies F_{\bullet}/G_{\bullet} is exact, except for the 0 th spot, where the cokernel is M , i.e., F_{\bullet}/G_{\bullet} is a resolution of M .

Continue this process with F_{\bullet}/G_{\bullet} instead of F_{\bullet} until a minimal resolution is obtained. \square

> PROP: Let M be a finitely generated R -module. Then any two graded minimal free resolutions of M are isomorphic, i.e., if F_{\bullet} and G_{\bullet} are minimal free resolutions of M , there exist degree-preserving isomorphisms $\mu_i : F_i \rightarrow G_i$ that make the following commute:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} F_{\bullet} : & \cdots & \longrightarrow & F_i & \xrightarrow{\phi_i} & F_{i-1} & \longrightarrow \cdots \\ & & & \downarrow \cong & & \downarrow \cong & \\ G_{\bullet} : & \cdots & \longrightarrow & G_i & \xrightarrow{\phi_i} & G_{i-1} & \longrightarrow \cdots \end{array}$$

> COR: The ranks of the modules F_i in a minimal free resolution of M only depend on M (not on the choice of minimal resolution).

> REFINEMENT: Each $F_i = \bigoplus_{j=1}^{\infty} R^{\beta_{ij}}(-j)$ and the β_{ij} only depend on M (not on the choice of minimal free resolution).

> DEFN: The numbers β_{ij} as above are called the *graded Betti numbers* of M .

> Numerical data attached to a finitely generated graded R -module M . Graded Betti numbers (often summarized in a Betti diagram (or Betti table) is a matrix in which $\beta_{i,i+j}$ appears in position (i, j) .

> EXAMPLE: $I = x_1^2 - x_2x_3, x_3^2x_4, x_1x_2x_3, x_4^3$. A graded minimal free resolution of R/I is:

$$0 \rightarrow R(-8) \rightarrow R^2(-6) \oplus R^3(-7) \rightarrow R^6(-5) \oplus R(-6) \rightarrow R(-2) \oplus R^3(-3) \rightarrow R \rightarrow R/I \rightarrow 0$$

This gives Betti numbers:

$$\beta_{4,8} = 1 \quad \beta_{3,6} = 2 \quad \beta_{2,5} = 6 \quad \beta_{1,2} = 1 \quad \beta_{00} = 1$$

$$\beta_{3,7} = 3 \quad \beta_{2,6} = 1 \quad \beta_{1,3} = 3$$

Putting them in a table, we have something like:

	0	1	2	3	4
0	1				
1		1			
2		3			
3			6	2	
4			1	3	
5					1

> The *total Betti numbers*: $\beta_i = \sum_{j \geq 0} \beta_{ij}$

> The *projective dimension* is the index of last column in the Betti table.

$$\text{pd}(M) = \max\{i : \exists j, \beta_{ij} \neq 0\}.$$

> The *regularity* is the index of the last row in the Betti table:

$$\text{reg}(M) = \max\{j : \beta_{i,i+j} \neq 0 \text{ for some } i\}.$$

> DEFN: The numerical function $H_M : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ with $H_M(i) = \dim_k M_i$ is called the *Hilbert function* of the graded module M .

The formal (Laurent) series $HS_M(t) = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} H_M(i)t^i$.

> FACTS:

1. $HS_R(t) = \frac{1}{(1-t)^n}$, where n = number of variables of $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$.
2. $HS_{R(-d)}(t) = \frac{t^d}{(1-t)^n}$, where $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$.
3. A s.e.s. of graded R -modules and homogeneous R -module maps

$$0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$$

gives

$$HS_B(t) = HS_A(t) + HS_C(t).$$

Proof. We can restrict to s.e.s. of k -vector spaces $0 \rightarrow A_i \rightarrow B_i \rightarrow C_i \rightarrow 0$, and then done by dimensions of vector spaces: $\dim_k B_i = \dim_k A_i + \dim_k C_i$. \square

> PROP: If $0 \rightarrow F_p \rightarrow F_{p-1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow F_1 \rightarrow F_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$ is a minimal graded free resolution of M (over R), then $HS_M(t) = HS_{F_0}(t) - HS_{F_1}(t) + HS_{F_2}(t) - \dots + (-1)^p HS_{F_p}(t)$. Each of these is a sum $HS_{R^{\beta_{ij}}(-j)}(t) = \frac{\beta_{ij}t^j}{(1-t)^n}$.

Thus the $HS_M(t) = \sum_{i,j} (-1)^i \frac{\beta_{ij}t^j}{(1-t)^n}$.

> EXAMPLE: $HS_{S/I}(t) = \frac{1-t^2-3t^3+6t^5-t^6-3t^7+t^8}{(1-t)^4}$.

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> **Computing graded Betti numbers using Tor:**

> Let $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$.

> DEFN: Let M and N be finitely generated graded R -modules. Take a free resolution of N :

$$F_\bullet : 0 \rightarrow F_p \xrightarrow{d_p} F_{p-1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow F_1 \rightarrow F_0 \rightarrow N \rightarrow 0$$

Tensor F_\bullet with M and get a (no longer exact) complex:

$$M \otimes F_\bullet : 0 \rightarrow M \otimes_R F_p \xrightarrow{\widetilde{d_p}} \cdots \rightarrow M \otimes_R F_1 \rightarrow M \otimes_R F_0$$

Then

$$\mathrm{Tor}_i^R(M, N) = \frac{\ker(\widetilde{d_i})}{\mathrm{im}(\widetilde{d_{i+1}})}$$

is the i th homology of the complex $M \otimes F_\bullet$.

NOTE: If M and N are graded and F_\bullet is a homogeneous (graded) resolution, then $\mathrm{Tor}_i^R(M, N)$ are graded R -modules, i.e., $\mathrm{Tor}_i^R(M, N) = \bigoplus_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathrm{Tor}_i^R(M, N)_j$.

> PROP: $\beta_{ij}(M) = \dim_k(\mathrm{Tor}_i^R(k, M))_j$.

Proof. To compute $\mathrm{Tor}_i^R(k, M)$ one considers a minimal graded free resolution of M

$$F_\bullet : 0 \rightarrow F_p \rightarrow F_{p-1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow F_{i+1} \xrightarrow{d_{i+1}} F_i \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow F_0 \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$$

Then

$$k \otimes F_\bullet : 0 \rightarrow k \otimes F_p \rightarrow k \otimes F_{p-1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow k \otimes F_{i+1} \xrightarrow{\widetilde{d_{i+1}}} k \otimes F_i \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow k \otimes F_0 \rightarrow k \otimes M \rightarrow 0$$

is a complex of k -vector spaces, where $\widetilde{d_i}(\lambda \otimes f) = \lambda \otimes d_i(f)$.

CLAIM: $\widetilde{d_i} \equiv 0$. To see this: If F_\bullet is a minimal graded free resolution, then $\mathrm{im} d_i \subseteq \mathfrak{m}F_{i-1}$, and so $d_i(f) = \sum_{i=1}^r m_i g_i$, $\{g_1, \dots, g_r\}$ is a basis for F_{i-1} as a free R -module. Hence

$$\widetilde{d_i}(\lambda \otimes f) = \lambda \otimes d_i(f) = \lambda \otimes \left(\sum m_i g_i \right) = \sum_{i=1}^r (\lambda m_i \otimes g_i) = \sum (0 \otimes g_i) = 0.$$

Therefore,

$$\mathrm{Tor}_i^R(k, M) = k \otimes F_i = k \otimes_R \left(\bigoplus_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} R^{\beta_{ij}}(-j) \right) = \bigoplus_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} k^{\beta_{ij}}(-j),$$

where this last is the decomposition of $\mathrm{Tor}_i^R(k, M)$ into graded pieces. Hence $\mathrm{Tor}_i^R(k, M)_j = k^{\beta_{ij}}(-j)$. Thus $\dim_k(\mathrm{Tor}_i^R(k, M))_j = \beta_{ij}$. \square

> REMARKS:

1. Tensor product is symmetric, i.e., $\mathrm{Tor}_0^R(M, N) = M \otimes_R N \cong N \otimes_R M = \mathrm{Tor}_0^R(N, M)$.
2. Tor is also symmetric: $\mathrm{Tor}_i^R(M, N) \cong \mathrm{Tor}_i^R(N, M)$.

> COR 1: $\beta_{ij}(M) = \dim_k(\mathrm{Tor}_i^R(k, M))_j = \dim_k(\mathrm{Tor}_i^R(M, k))_j$.

- > COR 2: One can compute β_{ij} 's by taking a minimal free resolution of k (i.e., the Koszul complex K_\bullet) and tensoring with M .

$$\mathrm{Tor}_i(M, k) = H_i(M \otimes_R K_\bullet).$$

- > **Multigraded (\mathbb{Z}^n -graded, fine graded) modules:**

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$$R = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^n} R_\alpha = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}^n} \mathrm{span}_k \langle x^\alpha \rangle$$

gives R a \mathbb{N}^n -graded structure.

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$$M = \bigoplus_{\beta \in \mathbb{Z}^n} M_\beta$$

such that $R_\alpha M_\beta \subseteq M_{\alpha+\beta}$ is a \mathbb{Z}^n -graded R -module.

- > EXAMPLES:

1. If I is a monomial ideal, then I is a \mathbb{Z}^n -graded R -module.
2. If I is a monomial ideal, then R/I is a \mathbb{Z}^n -graded R -module.

- > \mathbb{Z}^n -graded Hilbert Function:

$$HF_M(\beta) = \dim_k(M_\beta)$$

- > \mathbb{Z}^n -graded Hilbert Series

$$HS_M(t_1, \dots, t_n) = \sum_{\beta \in \mathbb{Z}^n} HF_M(\beta) \cdot t^\beta$$

- > \mathbb{Z}^n -graded modules admit resolutions that are multi-graded (i.e., the differentials preserve multi-degrees).

- > Multigraded Betti numbers: $\beta_{i\alpha}$, $i \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}^n$, are given by $\beta_{i\alpha}(M) = \dim_k(F_i)_\alpha$, where F_i = the i -th free R -module in position i of a minimal free multigraded resolution of M .

- > GOAL: Describe $\beta_{i\alpha}(R/I)$, where I is a monomial ideal.

- > **(Abstract) Simplicial complexes and their homology:**

- > DEFN: An (abstract) simplicial complex Δ on $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ is a collection of subsets of $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ closed under the operation of taking subsets, i.e., if $T \in \Delta$ and $\tau \subseteq T$, then $\tau \in \Delta$.

- > EXAMPLE: The abstract 2-simplex (a.k.a. the triangle) is a simplicial complex on $\{1, 2, 3\}$ given by

$$\Delta = \{\{1, 2, 3\}, \{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}, \{2, 3\}, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \emptyset\}$$

- > The abstract n -simplex $\Delta_n = \mathcal{P}(\{1, \dots, n\})$.

- > The abstract n -simplex has a geometric realization given by all complex combinations of $n + 1$ affinely independent points.

- > Any abstract simplicial complex has a geometric realization (see Topology).

- > DEFN: Given a simplicial complex Δ , an element $\sigma \in \Delta$ such that σ has cardinality $i + 1$ is called an i -face (or an i -dimensional face). (Note: \emptyset is the unique -1 -face.)

- > The dimension of Δ is $\dim(\Delta) = \max\{i : i\text{-faces exist in } \Delta\}$.

- > The f -vector of Δ is the vector $(f_{-1}, f_0, f_1, \dots, f_{\dim(\Delta)})$, where f_i is the number of i -faces of Δ .

- > Maximal faces (with respect to containment) are called *facets*.

- > EXAMPLE: Consider the shape Δ with 5 vertices, with edges $\{13\}, \{3, 4\}, \{1, 2\}, \{2, 3\}$, and $\{1, 2, 3\}$. Then this has f -vector $(1, 5, 5, 1)$. (i.e., 1 empty set, 5 vertices, 5 edges, and 1 triangle.) The facets in this example are $\{1, 2, 3\}$ and $\{3, 4\}$ and $\{2, 4\}$ and $\{5\}$. Also $\dim(\Delta) = 2$.

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> Last time: Stanley-Reisner correspondence

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$$\{\text{simplicial complexes}\} \leftrightarrow_{\text{bij}} \{\text{squarefree monomial ideals}\},$$

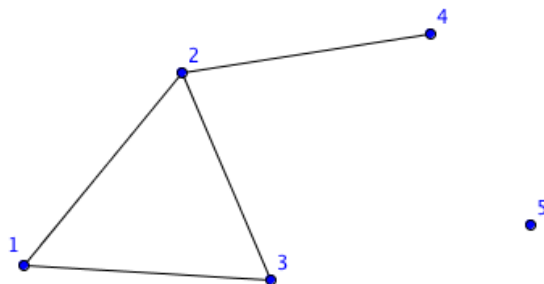
where the map is given by:

$$\Delta \mapsto I_\Delta := \langle x_\tau : \tau \notin \Delta \rangle$$

> NOTATION:

- If $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$, then $x^\alpha = x_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots x_n^{\alpha_n}$.
- If $\sigma \subset \{1, \dots, n\}$, $\sigma = \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_t\}$, then $x_\sigma = x_{i_1} x_{i_2} \cdots x_{i_t}$ is a squarefree monomial.
- If $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$, then $\text{supp}(\alpha) = \{i : \alpha_i \neq 0\}$ ($\text{supp} : \text{multi-exponents} \rightarrow \text{subsets of } \{1, \dots, n\}$).
- If $\sigma \subset \{1, \dots, n\}$, then $\text{char}(\sigma) = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$, where $\alpha_i = \begin{cases} 0 & i \notin \sigma \\ 1 & i \in \sigma \end{cases}$.

> EXAMPLE: $\Delta = \text{simplicial complex from before.}$



(including 123 also).

We computed the f -vector is $(1, 5, 5, 1)$. Also,

$$HS_{R/I_\Delta} = 1 + 5 \frac{1}{(1-t)} + 5 \frac{t^2}{(1-t)^2} + 1 \frac{t^3}{(1-t)^3} = \frac{1 + 2t - 2t^2}{(1-t)^3}$$

The h -vector is $(1, 2, -2)$. (The coefficients of the numerator of HS.)

Stanley's Magic Triangle: Rule: Entry to the NE-entry the NW. Build a triangle with rows from $f_{-1}, f_0, f_1, f_2, \dots$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & & & 1 & & \\
 & & & & & & \\
 & & & & & & \\
 & & & & 1 & & 5 \\
 & & & & & & \\
 & & & & & & \\
 & & & & 1 & & 4 & & 5 \\
 & & & & & & & & \\
 & & & & 1 & & 3 & & 1 & & 1 \\
 & & & & & & & & & & \\
 & & & & 1 & & 2 & & -2 & & 0
 \end{array}$$

> **Theorem:**

(1)

$$HS_{R/I_\Delta}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{\sum_{\sigma \in \Delta} (\prod_{i \in \sigma} x_i \prod_{j \notin \sigma} (1 - x_j))}{(1 - x_1)(1 - x_2) \cdots (1 - x_n)}.$$

(2)

$$HS_{R/I_\Delta}(t) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{d+1} f_{i-1} t^i (1-t)^{n-i}}{(1-t)^n} = \sum_{i=0}^{d+1} \frac{f_{i-1} t^i}{(1-t)^i}.$$

Proof. (1) By Lemma,

$$HS_{R/I_\Delta}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{x^\alpha \notin I_\Delta} x^\alpha = \sum_{\sigma \in \Delta} \left(\sum_{\text{supp}(\alpha) = \sigma} x^\alpha \right) = \sum_{\sigma \in \Delta} \frac{\prod_{i \in \sigma} x_i}{\prod_{i \in \sigma} (1 - x_i)} = \frac{\sum_{\sigma \in \Delta} \prod_{i \in \sigma} x_i \prod_{j \notin \sigma} (1 - x_j)}{(1 - x_1)(1 - x_2) \cdots (1 - x_n)}.$$

Some people call the numerator of the last expression the k -polynomial of R/I_Δ .

(2)

$$HS_{R/I_\Delta}(t) = HS_{R/I_\Delta}(t, t, \dots, t) = \frac{\sum_{\sigma \in \Delta} t^{|\sigma|} (1-t)^{n-|\sigma|}}{(1-t)^n} = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{d+1} f_{i-1} t^i (1-t)^{n-i}}{(1-t)^n} = \sum_{i=0}^{d+1} f_{i-1} \frac{t^i}{(1-t)^i} = \frac{h(t)}{(1-t)^{d+1}}$$

(d =dimension of Δ – largest face has cardinality $d+1$.)

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> DEFN: The last line above shows that we can always write HS_{R/I_Δ} as

$$HS_{R/I_\Delta}(t) = \frac{h_0 + h_1 t + \cdots + h_{d+1} t^{d+1}}{(1-t)^{d+1}},$$

where $d = \dim(\Delta)$. The vector $(h_0, h_1, \dots, h_{d+1})$ is called the h -vector of R/I_Δ .

> RMK: The Krull dimension of R/I_Δ is $d+1$. (In general, we can write for a standard graded R -module M :

$$HS_M(t) = \frac{h_0 + h_1 t + \cdots + h_{\dim(M)} t^{\dim(M)}}{(1-t)^{\dim(M)}}.)$$

> COR: (Going between h -vector and f -vector.)

$$h_j = \sum_{i=0}^j (-1)^{j-i} \binom{d-i}{j-i} f_{i-1}$$

(This first is equivalent to doing Stanley's triangle.)

$$f_j = \sum_{i=0}^{j+1} \binom{d-i}{j+1-i} h_i$$

> **Alexander duality:**

> DEFN: If Δ is a simplicial complex, then the *Alexander dual simplicial complex* is $\Delta^* = \Delta^\vee = \{\bar{\tau} : \tau \notin \Delta\}$

> NOTATION: Given $\sigma \subset \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$, $\sigma = \{i_1, \dots, i_s\}$, denote by

$$P_\sigma = \langle x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_s} \rangle$$

(this is a prime ideal).

> DEFN: Suppose I_Δ is a squarefree monomial ideal. Say $I_\Delta = \langle x_{\sigma_1}, \dots, x_{\sigma_n} \rangle = \langle x^{\text{char}(\sigma_1)}, \dots, x^{\text{char}(\sigma_s)} \rangle$. Define the *Alexander dual ideal* of I_Δ to be

$$I_\Delta^* = \bigcap_{i=1}^s P_{\sigma_i}.$$

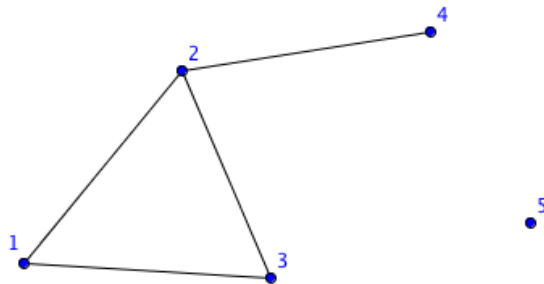
> **Theorem:**

(1) $(\Delta^*)^* = \Delta$ (duality)

(2) $I_{\Delta^*} = I_\Delta^* (= (I_\Delta)^*)$ (homework)

Consequently, $I_\Delta^* = \langle x^{\bar{\sigma}} : \sigma \in \Delta \rangle$ (the SR ideal I_{Δ^*}).

> EXAMPLE: Let Δ be as above:



Then facets of Δ^* are complements of minimal non-faces of Δ . So,

$$\Delta^* =$$

(Image here: we end up with triangles 134, 142, 235, and 15, 12)

Then

$$I_\Delta = \langle x_2x_3x_4, x_1x_4, x_1x_5, x_2x_5, x_3x_5, x_4x_5 \rangle$$

and

$$I_\Delta^* = \langle x_2, x_3, x_4 \rangle \cap \langle x_1, x_4 \rangle \cap \langle x_1, x_5 \rangle \cap \langle x_2, x_5 \rangle \cap \langle x_3, x_5 \rangle \cap \langle x_4, x_5 \rangle$$

But also, $I_\Delta^* = I_{\Delta^*} = \langle x_1x_2x_3x_4, x_1x_2x_5, x_1x_3x_5, x_4x_5 \rangle$. Note also,

$$I_\Delta = I_\Delta^{**} = \langle x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \rangle \cap \langle x_1, x_2, x_5 \rangle \cap \langle x_1, x_3, x_5 \rangle \cap \langle x_4, x_5 \rangle.$$

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- > **Hochster's Theorem:** Given a simplicial complex Δ , all non-zero Betti numbers of I_Δ and of R/I_Δ occur in squarefree (multi) degrees and are given by:

$$\beta_{i,\alpha}(I_\Delta) = \beta_{i+1,\alpha}(R/I_\Delta) = \dim_k(\tilde{H}_{i-1}(\text{link}_{\Delta^*} \overline{\text{supp}(\alpha)})),$$

for α a squarefree multi-degree.

- > DEFN: Given a simplicial complex Δ and a set σ ,

$$\text{link}_\Delta(\sigma) = \{\tau \in \Delta : \tau \cup \sigma \in \Delta, \tau \cap \sigma = \emptyset\}.$$

- > RMK: links are simplicial complexes.

- > EXAMPLE: Same as before: Δ and Δ^* . Here,

$$\text{link}_{\Delta^*}(\{1\}) = \{(24), (23), (43), (5)\}.$$

Also,

$$\text{link}_{\Delta^*}(\{3\}) = \{(14), (24), (12), (25)\}.$$

The reduced homologies:

$$\tilde{H}_i(\text{link}_{\Delta^*}(\{1\})) = \begin{cases} 0 & i = -1 \\ k & i = 0 \\ k & i = 1 \\ 0 & i \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

and

$$\tilde{H}_i(\text{link}_{\Delta^*}(\{3\})) = \begin{cases} 0 & i = -1 \\ 0 & i = 0 \\ k & i = 1 \\ 0 & i \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

This tells us about the betti numbers :

$$\beta_{i,(0,1,1,1,1)}(I_\Delta) = \begin{cases} 0 & i = 0 \\ 1 & i = 1 \\ 1 & i = 2 \\ 0 & i \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

and

$$\beta_{i,(1,1,0,1,1)}(I_\Delta) = \begin{cases} 0 & i = 0, 1 \\ 1 & i = 2 \\ 0 & i \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

- > **The Koszul complex** $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$

- For each variable x_i , define a new variable e_i
- For each monomial $g = x_{i_1}x_{i_2} \cdots x_{i_j}$, set $Dg = e_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge e_{i_j}$ where we require $e_r \wedge e_s = -e_s \wedge e_r$ (in char 2 also $e_r \wedge e_r = 0$).

So, $Dg = 0$ whenever g is not square free.

Assign $\text{multideg}(Dg) = \text{multideg}(g)$. (Or for standard graded: $\deg(Dg) = \deg(g)$.)

> DEFN: The Koszul complex is a complex of R -modules:

$$K_{\bullet} : 0 \rightarrow F_n \rightarrow F_{n-1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow F_1 \rightarrow F_0 \rightarrow F_{-1} = k \rightarrow 0$$

(subscripts correspond to homological degree) where

- F_i is the free R -module on basis $\{Dg : g \text{ is square free and } \deg(g) = i\}$, so $F_i = R^{(n)}(-i) = \bigoplus_{\deg(g)=i} R(-\text{multideg}(g))$.
- $d_i(Dg) = \sum_{j \in \text{supp}(g)} \text{sign}(j, \text{supp}(g)) \times_j Dg / \times_j$ (This is similar to the topological differential of the chain complex of Δ_{n-1} .)

> FACT: K_{\bullet} is a minimal free resolution of k .

> RECALL: $\beta_{i,\alpha}(M) = \dim_k(\text{Tor}_i(k, M))_{\alpha} = \dim_k(H_i(K_{\bullet} \otimes M))_{\alpha}$

> DEFN: Let I be a monomial ideal. Then $K_{\bullet}(I) := I \otimes_R K_{\bullet}$ is the complex (not necessarily exact)

$$0 \rightarrow I \otimes_R F_n \rightarrow I \otimes_R F_{n-1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow I \otimes_R F_0 \rightarrow I/\mathfrak{m}I \rightarrow 0.$$

> NOTE: The module $I \otimes_R F_i$ has basis $\{f \otimes Df : f \text{ is a monomial in } I\}$ (i.e., $\deg(g) = i$, g is squarefree).

> NOTE: $K_{\bullet}(I)$ is a multi-graded complex (d_i 's preserve multidegree).

> KEY POINT: $K_{\bullet}(I)$ will break into a direct sum of complexes of k -vector spaces

$$K_{\bullet}(I) = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}^n} (K_{\bullet}(I))_{\alpha} \implies H_i(K_{\bullet}(I)) = \bigoplus_{\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}^n} H_i(K_{\bullet}(I))_{\alpha},$$

$$\text{i.e., } H_i(K_{\bullet}(I))_{\alpha} = H_i(K_{\bullet}(I))_{\alpha}.$$

> OUTCOME: $\beta_{i,\alpha}(I) = \dim_k H_i(K_{\bullet}(I))_{\alpha}$.

Proof of Hochster's Theorem: We proceed as follows:

Step 1. CLAIM: There is a bijection between the k -basis of $(K_{\bullet}(I))_{\alpha}$ and faces of $\text{link}_{\Delta^*}(\overline{\text{supp}(\alpha)})$.

A basis for $(I_{\Delta} \otimes F_i)_{\alpha}$ is $B = \{f \otimes Dg : f \in I_{\Delta}, g \text{ sqfree}, \deg(g) = i, \text{multideg}(f \otimes Dg) = \alpha \iff \text{multideg}(fg) = \alpha \iff fg = x^{\alpha}\}$.

So there is a bijection:

$$B \leftrightarrow \{g : g \text{ is square-free}, g|x^{\alpha}, \deg(g) = i, x^{\alpha}/g \in I_{\Delta}\} = \{g : g \text{ is square-free}, \deg(g) = i, g|x^{\alpha}, \text{supp}(x^{\alpha}/g) \notin \Delta\}$$

DIAGRAM: $[n] \supseteq \text{supp}(\alpha) \supseteq \text{supp}(g)$.

Note $\overline{\text{supp}(\alpha)} \cup \text{supp}(g) \notin \Delta$. Hence $\overline{\text{supp}(\alpha)} \cup \text{supp}(g)$ is a complement of a non-face of Δ . By definition, this is true if and only if $\overline{\text{supp}(\alpha)} \cup \text{supp}(g) \in \Delta^*$. Again by definition of the Alexander dual, if and only if $\text{supp}(g) \in \text{link}_{\Delta^*}(\overline{\text{supp}(\alpha)})$. (The fact that $\overline{\text{supp}(\alpha)} \cap \text{supp}(g) = \emptyset$ is given by $g|x^{\alpha}$.)

We therefore have the bijection

$$B \leftrightarrow \{g : g \text{ sqfree}, \deg(g) = i, \text{supp}(g) \in \text{link}_{\Delta^*}(\overline{\text{supp}(\alpha)})\}.$$

Therefore $(I \otimes F_i)_{\alpha} = k^{f_{i-1}(\text{link}_{\Delta^*}(\overline{\text{supp}(\alpha)})}$, where the one on the left is the entry of $K_{\bullet}(I)_{\alpha}$ in homological degree i and on the right is the entry of something else.

□

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> **Theorem (Hochster):** $\beta_{i\alpha}(I_{\Delta}) = \beta_{i+1,\alpha}(R/I_{\Delta}) = \dim_k \tilde{H}_{i-1}(\text{link}_{\Delta^*}(\overline{\text{supp}(\alpha)}))$

Proof. Starting with a review from last time...

Step 1: We found that a basis for the free module in homological degree i of $(K_\bullet(I_\Delta))_\alpha$ is given by $\{fDg = Bg : \deg(g) = i, \text{supp}(g) \in \text{link}_{\Delta^*}(\overline{\text{supp}(\alpha)}), f = x^\alpha/g\}$.

Let $Bg = fDg$.

Step 2: Consider the chain complex of $\text{link}_{\Delta^*}(\overline{\text{supp}(\alpha)})$.

$$\tilde{C}_\bullet : 0 \rightarrow C_n \rightarrow C_{n-1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow C_1 \rightarrow C_0 \rightarrow 0$$

where C_i is a k -vector space with basis corresponding to i -dimensional faces of $\text{link}_{\Delta^*}(\overline{\text{supp}(\alpha)})$.

Let C_g be the basis element in C_i corresponding to $\text{supp}(g)$ (here g is a squarefree monomial such that $g|x^\alpha$).

This means that $\dim(\text{supp}(g)) = i$, hence $|\text{supp}(g)| = -1 = i$, and so $|\text{supp}(g)| = i+1 \implies \deg(g) = i+1$.

Define a map: $\phi : (K_\bullet(I_\Delta))_\alpha \rightarrow \tilde{C}$ by setting $\phi(Bg) = C_g$, for any squarefree g with $g|x^\alpha$ and $\deg(g) = i+1$.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & I_\Delta \otimes_R F_n & \longrightarrow & I_\Delta \otimes_R F_{n-1} & \longrightarrow & I_\Delta \otimes_R F_{n-2} \longrightarrow \cdots & I/mI & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & \searrow & & \searrow & & \searrow & & & \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & C_n & \longrightarrow & C_{n-1} & \longrightarrow & C_{n-2} & \longrightarrow & \cdots & \longrightarrow C_{-1} & \longrightarrow & C_{-2} \end{array}$$

Differential of $K_\bullet(I)$ was $d(fDg) = \sum_{j \in \text{supp}(g)} \text{sign}(j) f x_j Dg / x_j$ (Koszul differential).

Differential of \tilde{C}_\bullet was $\partial(Cg) = \sum_{j \in \text{supp}(g)} \text{sign}(j) Cg / x_j$ (topological differential).

Therefore:

$$(\text{Tor}_i(I_\Delta)_\alpha) = H_i(K_\bullet(I)_\alpha) = H_{i-1}(\tilde{C}(\text{link}_{\Delta^*}(\overline{\text{supp}(\alpha)}))) = \tilde{H}_{i-1}(\text{link}_{\Delta^*}(\overline{\text{supp}(\alpha)}))$$

This implies

$$\beta_{i\alpha}(I_\Delta) = \dim \text{Tor}_i(I_\Delta)_\alpha = \dim \tilde{H}_{i-1}(\text{link}_{\Delta^*}(\overline{\text{supp}(\alpha)}))$$

□

> NOTE: Same proof for non-squarefree I shows that

$$\beta_{i\alpha}(I) = \tilde{H}_{i-1}(K^\alpha(I)),$$

where $K^\alpha(I)$ = simplicial complex consisting of $\{\text{supp}(g), g \text{ is squarefree}, \alpha/g \in I\}$.

> **Theorem (Alexander duality - topological):** If Δ is a simplicial complex on n vertices, then $\tilde{H}_{n-i-2}(\Delta; k) = \tilde{H}^{i-1}(\Delta^*; k) = (\tilde{H}_{i-1}(\Delta^*; k))^*$. Consequently, $\dim_k \tilde{H}_{n-i-2}(\Delta) = \dim_k \tilde{H}_{i-1}(\Delta^*)$.

> DEFN: If Δ is a simplicial complex, then $\Delta[\alpha] = \{\tau : \tau \in \Delta, \tau \subseteq \text{supp}(\alpha)\}$ is a simplicial complex.

> LEMMA: $\text{link}_{\Delta^*}(\overline{\text{supp}(\alpha)}) = (\Delta[\alpha])^*$

> **Theorem (Hochster's Theorem - dual version):**

$$\beta_{i\alpha}(I_\Delta) = \dim \tilde{H}_{i-1}(\text{link}_{\Delta^*}(\overline{\text{supp}(\alpha)})) = \dim \tilde{H}_{i-1}((\Delta[\alpha])^*) = \dim_k \tilde{H}_{n-i-2}(\Delta[\alpha]).$$

> **Theorem (Terai):**

$$\text{reg}(R/I_\Delta) - 1 = \text{reg}(I_\Delta) = \text{pd}(R/I_{\Delta^*}) = \text{pd}(I_{\Delta^*}) + 1$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{reg}(I_\Delta) &= \max\{j : \beta_{i,i+j}(I_\Delta) \neq 0 \text{ for some value of } i\} \\ &= \max\{j : \text{there exists a squarefree multidegree } \alpha \text{ and } i \geq 0 \text{ s.t. } \deg(x^\alpha) = i+j \text{ and } \beta_{i\alpha}(I_\Delta) \neq 0\} \\ &= \max\{j : \tilde{H}_{n-i-2}(\Delta[\alpha]) \neq 0 \text{ for some } i \geq 0, n = |\text{supp}(\alpha)| = \deg(x^\alpha) = i+j\} \\ &= \max\{j : \tilde{H}_{j-2}(\Delta[\alpha]) \neq 0 \text{ for some } i \geq 0, \alpha \text{ squarefree, } |\text{supp}(\alpha)| = i+j\} \\ &= \max\{j : \beta_{j-1,\alpha}(I_{\Delta^*}) \neq 0 \text{ for some squarefree } \alpha\} \\ &= \text{pd}(I_{\Delta^*}) + 1 \\ &= \text{pd}(R/I_{\Delta^*}). \end{aligned}$$

□

- > **Theorem (Eagon-Reiner):** I_Δ has a linear resolution if and only if R/I_{Δ^*} is CM.
- > DEFN: An R -module has a linear resolution if the Betti table looks like: (If $\text{reg}(M) = d$.)

	0	1	2	3	...
\vdots					
d	*	*	*	*	
\vdots					

equivalently,

- all the differentials in the minimal free resolution of M over R are linear (matrices representing these maps have linear entries).
- $\text{reg}(M)$ is the degree of the generators of M .

Proof of Eagen-Reiner: I_Δ has linear resolution $\iff \text{reg}(I_\Delta) = \text{degree of the minimal generators of } I_\Delta$ (All mingens of I_Δ must have same degree.)

$\iff \text{pd}(R/I_{\Delta^*}) = \text{cardinality of the minimal non-faces of } \Delta$.

$\iff \text{pd}(R/I_{\Delta^*}) = n - \text{cardinality of the facets of } \Delta^*$

$\iff \text{cardinality of the facets of } \Delta^* \text{ is } n - \text{pd}(R/I_{\Delta^*})$

$\iff \dim(\Delta^*) + 1 = n - \text{pd}(R/I_{\Delta^*})$

$\iff \dim(R/I_{\Delta^*}) = n - \text{pd}(R/I_{\Delta^*})$ (dimension is Krull here).

\iff (Auslander Buchsbaum) R/I_{Δ^*} is CM. □

Nov. 4, 2013

- > This week: **Borel fixed monomial ideals; generic initial ideals.**
- > In the following, the characteristic of k is 0 and all the ideals are standard graded (\mathbb{Z} -graded).
- > The matrix group $GL_n(k)$ acts on $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ as follows:
if $g = (g_{ij}) \in GL_n(k)$, then $gf = f(gx_1, \dots, gx_n)$, where $gx_j = \sum_{i=1}^n g_{ij}x_i$.
- > Examples:

Matrix group	Name	Invariant ideals
$GL_n(k)$	General linear	$0, m^d, \forall d$
$B_n(k)$	Borel group	Borel-fixed ideals?
$T_n(k)$	Torus group	all monomial ideals

Where $B_n(k)$ is the group of upper triangular invertible matrices; $T_n(k)$ is the group of invertible diagonal matrices.

- > DEFN: An ideal $I \subseteq R$ is Borel fixed if $gI = I$ for every $g \in B_n(k)$.
- > PROP: (CHARACTERIZATION OF BOREL-FIXED IDEALS)
 I is a Borel fixed ideal if and only if
- (1) I is a monomial ideal, and
 - (2) - for all monomials $m \in I$, for every $i < j$, and
- if m is divisible by x_j^t but not by x_j^{t+1} , then $x_i^s \frac{m}{x_j^t} \in I$, for all $s \leq t$.¹²
- > NOTE: In the proposition, actually (2) \iff (2'): If $m \in I$ is a monomial divisible by x_j and $i < j$, then $x_i \frac{m}{x_j} \in I$.

¹²In characteristic p , we would need to change this to $s <_p t$.

- > RMK: $B_n(k)$ is generated by $T_n(k)$ together with the upper-triangular elementary matrices: Γ_{ij}^c is the matrix with 1s on the diagonal and c in the i, j spot, so that $\Gamma_{ij}^c(x_j) = x_j + cx_i$, $\Gamma_{ij}^c x_l = x_l$ for all $l \neq j$.

Proof of Prop: \Rightarrow : Let I be a Borel-fixed ideal. Since $T_n(k) \subseteq B_n(k)$, we also have I is $T_n(k)$ -fixed. Therefore I is a monomial ideal.

Let $m \in I$. Suppose $m = x_j^t \cdot m'$, where m' is not divisible by x_j^t . Then $\Gamma_{ij}^c m = \Gamma_{ij}^c(x_j^t) \cdot \Gamma_{ij}^c(m') = (x_j + cx_i)^t \cdot m' = m' \sum_{s=0}^t \binom{t}{s} x_j^{t-s} \cdot (cx_i)^s = m' \sum_{s=0}^t c^s \binom{t}{s} \left(\frac{x_i}{x_j}\right)^s \cdot x_j^t = m' x_j^t \sum_{s=0}^t c^s \binom{t}{s} \left(\frac{x_i}{x_j}\right)^s \in I$. Since I is Borel-fixed, we have $\Gamma_{ij}^c m \in I$. As I is a monomial ideal, $m \cdot \left(\frac{x_i}{x_j}\right)^s \in I$, for every $0 \leq s \leq t$. This implies (2).

\Leftarrow : The above equation and (2) imply $\Gamma_{ij}^c m \in I$ for any monomial $m \in I$. Since I is a monomial ideal, $T_n(k)I = I$. Therefore $B_n(k)$ fixes I . \square

- > EXAMPLES OF BOREL-FIXED IDEALS:

- (1) When $\text{char}(k) = 0$ in $R = k[x_1, x_2]$, the Borel-fixed ideals are “initial lex-segments,” e.g., $(x_1^3, x_1^2 x_2, x_1 x_2^2)$.
- (2) In 3 variables, above not true any more. E.g., $(x_1^3, x_1^2 x_2, x_1^2 x_3)$ is Borel-fixed but not lex-segment.
- (3) In characteristic p , $(x_1^{p^e}, \dots, x_n^{p^e})$ is Borel-fixed.
- (4) Products, sums, and intersections of Borel-fixed ideals are Borel-fixed.

- > **Generic initial ideals:** (Fix a monomial order $<$ on R .)

- > **Theorem:** Let I be a homogeneous ideal. There is a Zariski open set $\emptyset \neq U \subseteq GL_n(k) = \mathbb{A}^{n^2}$ and a monomial ideal J , such that

$$LT(gI) = J, \text{ for any } g \in U$$

- > DEFN: J as in the theorem is called the generic initial ideal of I . Usually, we write $J = \text{gin}(I)$. (Depends on monomial ordering.)
- > NOTATIONS: Say $V \subseteq R_d$ is a vector space of homogeneous polynomials of degree d , $\dim(V) = t$. Then V can be represented as a 1-dimensional vector space

$$L = \wedge^t V \subseteq \wedge^t R_d$$

with basis of L given by $f_1 \wedge f_2 \wedge \dots \wedge f_t$, where $\{f_1, \dots, f_t\}$ is a basis of V .

If m_1, \dots, m_t are monomials in R_d we say $m_1 \wedge \dots \wedge m_t$ is a monomial in $\wedge^t R_d$.

We say $m_1 \wedge \dots \wedge m_t$ is a *normal expression* if $m_1 > \dots > m_t$.

We order monomials of $\wedge^t R_d$ by ordering their normal expressions lexicographically (i.e., if $m = m_1 \wedge \dots \wedge m_t$ and $m' = m'_1 \wedge \dots \wedge m'_t$ are normal expressions, then $m > m'$ in $\wedge^t R_d$ if for the smallest i such that $m_i \neq m'_i$ we have that $m_i > m'_i$ w.r.t. the monomial order on R).

Nov. 6, 2013

- > Today: any characteristic for k , want k to be infinite.
- > **Theorem (Galligo, Bayer-Stillman):** Let I be a homogeneous ideal. Then there is a Zariski open set

$$U \subseteq GL_n(k) \subseteq M_n(k) \cong \mathbb{A}^{n^2}$$

and there is a monomial ideal J such that $LT(gI) = J$, for every $g \in U$. ($J = \text{gin}(I)$)

> REMARK: I being homogeneous means that $I = \bigoplus_{d \geq 0} I_d$ (where I_d is the span of the homogeneous elements of I of degree d). Fix d ; say $\{f_1, \dots, f_t\}$ is a basis for $I_d \subseteq R_d$ (k -vector subspace). We have a way to identify t -dimensional subspaces of R_d with affine 1-dimensional subspaces $\bigwedge^t R_d$.

$$I_d = \text{span}\{f_1, \dots, f_t\} \leftrightarrow \text{span}_k\{f_1 \wedge \dots \wedge f_t\} \subseteq \bigwedge^t R_d$$

(the last is a $\binom{n+d-1}{d-1}$ -dimensional k -vector space).

The action of $GL_n(k)$ on R induces the following action on $\bigwedge^t R_d$:

$$g(f_1 \wedge \dots \wedge f_t) = g(f_1) \wedge \dots \wedge g(f_t)$$

Proof of theorem: Let $g = (g_{ij})$ be a matrix with g_{ij} as distinct variables.

$$g(f_1) \wedge \dots \wedge g(f_t) = \sum_{m = \text{mon in } \bigwedge^t R_d} P_{m,d}(g_{ij})m,$$

where $P_{m,d}$ is a polynomial, $m = m_{1,d} \wedge \dots \wedge m_{t,d}$, and $m_{i,d}$ are monomials of degree d .

More concrete way to come up with $P_{m,d}(g_{ij})$: $g(f_1), \dots, g(f_t) \in R_d = \text{span}$ of the $\binom{n+d-1}{d-1}$ monomials of degree d in R . Therefore there exists a matrix of size $t \times \binom{n+d-1}{d-1}$ in which we label rows by $g(f_i)$ and columns by monomials of R_d . The rows will be the coefficients of $g(f_i)$ written in the monomial basis of R_d . Then $P_{m,d}(g_{ij})$ is the determinant of the $t \times t$ minor of the matrix corresponding to columns indexed by $m_{1,d}, \dots, m_{t,d}$.

Let $m_d = \max\{m : P_{m,d}(g_{ij}) \neq 0\}$. Say $m_d = m_{d,1} \wedge \dots \wedge m_{d,t}$. Let $U_d = \{g \in GL_n(k) : P_{m_d,d}(g_{i,j}) \neq 0\} \neq \emptyset$ and Zariski open.

We have that for every $g \in U_d$ $(LT(gI))_d = (m_{d,1}, \dots, m_{d,t})$.

Let $J_d = (m_{d,1}, m_{d,2}, \dots, m_{d,t})$. Also set $J = \bigoplus_{d \geq 0} J_d$.

CLAIM 1: J is an ideal.

To see this, it suffices to show that $R_1 J \subseteq J$, in fact enough to show $R_1 J_d \subseteq J_{d+1}$ for all d (since we already know it is a k -vector space.) We know $R_1 J_d \subseteq J_d$ (since J_d is an ideal). Note that U_d and U_{d+1} are nonempty Zariski open sets, so $U_d \cap U_{d+1} \neq \emptyset$. Hence there exists $g \in U_d \cap U_{d+1}$. Then

$$R_1 J_d = R_1 (LT(gI))_d \subseteq (LT(gI))_{d+1} = J_{d+1}.$$

Set $U = \bigcap_{d \geq 0} U_d$.

CLAIM 2: U is in fact a finite intersection. By HBT, J has a (unique) finite set of monomial generators. Let $e = \text{maximum of the degrees of these generators}$.

CLAIM 2 (REFINED): $\bigcap_{d \geq 0} U_d = \bigcap_{d=0}^e U_d$.

Need to show " \supseteq ". Let $g \in \bigcap_{d=0}^e U_d$. Then $(LT(gI))_d = J_d$, for every $d \leq e$. Hence $LT(gI)$ contains all minimal generators of J . Thus $LT(gI) \supseteq J$.

Trick:

- $LT(gI) \supseteq J$
- $HF_{LT(gI)}(t) = HF_{gI}(t)$, meaning $\dim_k LT(gI)_d = \dim_k (gI)_d = \dim_k (I_d) = \dim_k (J_d)$ for each d .

Thus $LT(gI)_d = J_d$ for each d , and therefore $g \in U_d$ for all d means $g \in \bigcap_{d \geq 0} U_d$.

Claim 2 now tells us that $U = \bigcap_{d \geq 0} U_d = \bigcap_{d=0}^e U_d$ is non-empty Zariski open.

□

> Gone for panel at augie.

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> Email with paper.

> The Eliahou-Kervaire Resolution.

> We work in $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ where $\text{char}(k) = 0$, R has the \mathbb{Z}^n -grading.

> DEFN: For a monomial $m \in R$, let $\max(m) = \max \text{supp}(m)$ and $\min(m) = \min \text{supp}(m)$.

> **Theorem (Eliahou-Kervaire):** Let I be a Borel-fixed (monomial) ideal in R . (in char 0) Suppose $I = \langle m_1, \dots, m_r \rangle$ (\min gens) and let M be the module of first syzygies on the generators of I . Then

- (1) There exists a monomial ordering on R^r such that $LT(M)$ has linear resolution which is a direct sum of Koszul complexes.
- (2) $\beta_{i,\alpha}(R^r/M) = \beta_{i,\alpha}(R^r/LT(M))$.
- (3) $\beta_{i,j}(I) = \sum_{\deg(m_l)=j-1} \binom{\max(m_l)-1}{i}$ and $\beta_i(I) = \sum_{l=1}^r \binom{\max(m_l)-1}{i}$
- (4) $\text{pd}(I) = \max\{\max(m_i) - 1 : 1 \leq i \leq r\}$ (i.e., the max index of a variable appearing in any non minimal gen of I -1).
- (5) $\text{reg}(I)$ = highest degree of a minimal monomial generator of I .
- (6) $HS(R/I) = \frac{1 - \sum_{i=1}^r m_i \prod_{j=1}^{\max(m_i)-1} (1 - x_j)}{\prod_{i=1}^r (1 - x_i)}$

Proof. Method 1: (Iterated mapping cone)

LEMMA: Order the minimal generators m_1, \dots, m_r of I in increasing order according to GrRevLex. Then $(m_1, \dots, m_i) : m_{i+1} = (x_1, \dots, x_{\max(m_{i+1})-1})$ (Proof: follows from exchange property of Borel-fixed ideals.)

Proof of E-K: Proceed by induction on r using

$$0 \rightarrow \frac{R}{(m_1, \dots, m_{r-1}) : m_r} \rightarrow \frac{R}{(m_1, \dots, m_{r-1})} \rightarrow \frac{R}{(m_1, \dots, m_r)} \rightarrow 0$$

The first term is $K.(x_1, \dots, x_{\max(m_r)-1})$, the middle one is known by inductive hypothesis. The last one: form the mapping cone and observe that it is a minimal resolution of R/I .

Method 2: (using GBs)

Step 0:

LEMMA: Let $I = \langle m_1, \dots, m_r \rangle$ be Borel fixed. Every monomial $m \in I$ can be written uniquely as a product of the form

$$m = m_i \cdot m'$$

such that $\max(m_i) \leq \min(m')$.

Step 1:

Set $u_i = \max(m_i)$. Order the generators m_1, \dots, m_r decreasingly by u_i , for generators with the same u_i , decreasingly by the power of x_{u_i} they contain.

Step 2:

Recall $M = \text{syz}(I)$ (i.e., 1st syzygy module of I). We build an element of M for each pair (j, u) so that $1 \leq j \leq r$ and $u < \max(m_j) = u_j$.

Consider $m = x_u \cdot m_j \in I$. (x_u is NOT as in the lemma.) The Lemma gives a different way to write $m = m_i \cdot m'$ (with $u_i = \max(m_i) \leq \min(m')$). Thus $x_u m_j - m' m_i = 0$, so $x_u e_j - m' e_i \in M$, where $M \subseteq R^r$ with basis $\{e_1, \dots, e_r\}$, $e_i \mapsto m_i$.

Claim: We must have $i > j$. Note: $\min(m') \leq \max(m) = \max(m_j) = u_j$. Also have $u_i \leq \min(m')$. Therefore $u_i \leq u_j$. If $u_i < u_j$, then $i > j$ (by the way we ordered the m_i 's). If $u_i = u_j$, then all equalities above, and so, in particular, $\min(m') = u_i = u_j$. This implies $\deg_{x_{u_j}}(m_i) < \deg_{x_{u_j}}(m_j) = \deg_{x_{u_j}}(m)$. Again by the ordering we put on the m_i 's, we must have $i > j$.

Step 3:

Consider Position-over-Coefficient ordering on R^r with $e_1 > e_1 > \dots > e_r$. This implies $LT(x_u e_j - m' e_i)$ because $i > j \implies e_j > e_i$.

Claim: $\mathcal{B} = \{x_u e_j - m' e_i : 1 \leq j \leq r, u < u_j\}$ is a GB of M with respect to PoC order. (i.e., $LT(M) = \langle x_u e_j : 1 \leq j \leq r, u < u_j \rangle$ or equiv $LT(M) = \bigoplus_{j=1}^r \langle x_1, \dots, x_{u_j-1} \rangle e_j$).

To see this, it's enough to show that we don't have $m'' e_j - m' e_i \in M$ such that neither $m'' e_j$ or $m' e_i$ are in $LT(\mathcal{B})$. \square

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> Finishing up EK resolution proof. I is Borel-fixed, $M = \text{syz}(I)$, $I = \langle m_1, \dots, m_r \rangle$. We proved $LT(M) = \langle x_u e_j : 1 \leq j \leq r, 1 \leq u \leq u_j = \max(m_j) \rangle$, i.e., $LT(M) = \bigoplus_{j=1}^r \langle x_1, \dots, x_{u_j-1} \rangle e_j$. This module $LT(M)$ is resolved by $K_\bullet = \bigoplus_{j=1}^r K_\bullet \langle x_1, \dots, x_{u_j-1} \rangle$. Every syzygy in K (S_{ij}) produces a syzygy r_{ij} for M . In fact, these r_{ij} s are minimal generators for syzygy modules of M . (They even form GBs for these syzygy modules.) In fact, $\beta_{i,j}(M) = \beta_{i,j}(LT(M)) = \sum_{i=1}^r \binom{u_j-1}{i}$.

> Relationship between β_{ij} 's for I and $LT_{<}(I)$. Method for computing β_{ij} : None for I .

In $LT(I)$, monomial ideal β_{ij} computed by LCM lattice.

Polarization gives $Pol(LT_{<}(I))$.

$$I \rightarrow \rightarrow LT_{<}(I) \rightarrow \rightarrow Pol(LT_{<}(I))$$

For the first step, $\beta_{ij}(LT_{<}(I)) \geq \beta_{ij}(I)$. For the second step, $\beta_{ij}(LT_{<}(I)) = \beta_{ij}(Pol(LT_{<}(I)))$.

> We are looking for a "tighter relationship" between $\beta_{ij}(I)$ and $\beta_{ij}(gin(I))$.

> **Facts about gins:**

> **Theorem (Galligo, Bayer-Stillman):** If I is a homogeneous ideal, $<$ any monomial order, then $gin_{<}(I)$ is Borel-fixed.

> DEFN: A sequence of elements y_1, \dots, y_d of R is a regular sequence on R/I if

1. y_n is a nzd on R/I
2. y_i is a nzd on $R/(I + (y_1, \dots, y_{i-1}))$

> PROP: If $I = \langle m_1, \dots, m_r \rangle$ is Borel-fixed. $I \subseteq R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$. Then there exists a maximal regular sequence on R/I of the form $x_n, x_{n-1}, \dots, x_{p+1}$. In characteristic 0, p from above is the maximum index of any variable that appears in the support of the monomial generators m_1, \dots, m_r , i.e., $p = \text{pd}(R/I)$ as given by E.K.

> Fix $\leq \text{GrRevLex}$ on R .

> LEMMA 1: If f is a homogeneous polynomial, then $x_n | f \iff x_n | LT(f)$.

Proof. \implies is obvious; \impliedby : monomials divisible by x_n if \leq_{GrRevLex} monomials not divisible by x_n . $x_n | LT(f)$ implies any term in f is divisible by x_n . \square

> LEMMA 2: Let I be a homogeneous ideal. Then

1. $LT(I + (x_n)) = LT(I) + (x_n)$. Furthermore, if $\{g_1, \dots, g_t\}$ is a GB of I , then $\{g_1, \dots, g_t, x_n\}$ is a GB for $I + (x_n)$.

2. $LT(I : (x_n)) = LT(I) : (x_n)$. Furthermore, if $\{g_1, \dots, g_t\}$ is a GB of I , then $\{g_i / \text{GCD}(g_i, x_n)\}$ is a GB for $I : (x_n)$.

> COROLLARY: x_n is a nzd on $R/I \iff x_n$ is a nzd on $R/LT(I)$.

Proof. Uses Lemma 2(2). □

> **Theorem (Bayer-Stillman):** x_n, x_{n-1}, \dots, x_s form a regular sequence on $R/I \iff x_n, x_{n-1}, \dots, x_s$ form a regular sequence on $R/LT(I)$.

Proof. Iterate the corollary. □

> **Theorem (Bayer-Stillman):** k an infinite field, any characteristic. If I is a homogeneous ideal, then

$$\text{pd}(R/I) = \text{pd}(R/\text{gin}_{\text{GrRevLex}}(I))$$

and

$$\text{reg}(R/I) = \text{reg}(R/\text{gin}_{\text{GrRevLex}}(I)).$$

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> Computer day.

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> Deformations from GB theory¹³

> EXAMPLE: Let $I = \langle x^2 - y \rangle \subseteq k[x, y] = R$. Under Lex with $x > y$, we have $LT(I) = \langle x^2 \rangle$. (pictures of parabolas: $V(LT(I)) = -V(x^2 - \alpha y) = -V(x^2 - y)$, where $\alpha \in (0, 1)$.) Then connect this family of parabolas / double line into a surface (a third dimension, t).

Let S be the surface connecting the parabolas $S = V(x^2 - ty)$. The cross-sections of S corresponding to plane $t = \alpha$ are given by the varieties $V(x^2 - \alpha y)$.

Goal: Describe the family of varieties $V(x^2 - \alpha y)$ where $\alpha \in k$. It's best to look at the map $S \rightarrow B$, where $B = \mathbb{A}^1$ corresponds to the t -axis.

This map gives a ring homomorphism $k[t] \rightarrow k[x, y, t] / \langle x^2 - ty \rangle$. Therefore we can view $k[x, y, t] / \langle x^2 - ty \rangle$ as a $k[t]$ -module.

"Good properties" of $k[x, y, t] / \langle x^2 - ty \rangle$ as a $k[t]$ -module (i.e., flatness) ensures that the cross sections are "not too different" from each other.

> DEFN: The fiber of S at a point $B : P_\alpha$ = the point $t = \alpha$ is the cross-sections through S by the plane $t = \alpha$. The coordinate ring S_α of the fiber at P_α is

$$S_\alpha = k[x, y, t] / \langle x^2 - ty \rangle \otimes_{k[t]} k[t] / \langle t - \alpha \rangle \cong k[x, y] / \langle x^2 - \alpha y \rangle.$$

> We'll see that (in general):

$$S_\alpha \cong \begin{cases} k[x, y] / \langle x^2 \rangle & \alpha = 0 \\ k[x, y] / \langle x^2 - y \rangle & \text{if } \alpha \neq 0 \end{cases}.$$

(The fiber at $t = 0$ is $k[x, y] / LT(I)$ and the fibers at $t = \alpha \neq 0$ are isomorphic to $k[x, y] / I$.)

> The general setup for the GB deformation.

> **weight orders on monomials / non standard gradings**

¹³Reference for today: Chapter 15 of Eisenbud.

> **DEFN:** Given a **weight vector** $w = (w_1, \dots, w_n) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n$ we define:

- the weight of a monomial $w(x^\alpha) := \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i w_i = \alpha \cdot w$.
- the *partial order on monomials* given by w is defined by $x^\alpha > x^\beta$ if $w(x^\alpha) > w(x^\beta)$.
- the *initial form of a polynomial* $f \in R$ is $in_w(f)$ = sum of terms of f that are maximal w.r.t. the partial order given by w .
- For example, if $f = x^2 - y$, if $w = (1, 1)$, then $in_w(f) = x^2$. However, if $w = (1, 2)$, then $in_w(f) = x^2 - y$. If $w = (1, 5)$, then $in_w(f) = -y$.
- the *ideal of initial forms* of an ideal I is $in_w(I) = \langle in_w(f) : f \in I \rangle$.

> **Theorem (Bayer):** Let " $<$ " be a monomial order on $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ and let I be an ideal of R . Then there exists $w \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n$ such that $LT_{<}(I) = in_w(I)$. (i.e., weighted orders generalize total monomial orders). Also, any weighted order can be refined to a total order.

> To construct the deformation: Let $\tilde{R} = R[t] = k[x_1, \dots, x_n, t]$. Fix $w \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n$. For a polynomial $f \in R$, define $\tilde{f}(x_1, \dots, x_n, t) = t^{w(f)} \cdot f(\frac{x_1}{t^{w_1}}, \dots, \frac{x_n}{t^{w_n}})$, where $w(f)$ is the max weight of any monomial appearing in f . E.g., $f = x^2 - y$, $w = (1, 1)$, $\tilde{f}(x, y, t) = t^2(\frac{x}{t} - \frac{y}{t}x^2 - ty)$. Now w.r.t. the new weight vector $w' = (w, 1)$, then every monomial m in \tilde{f} has $w'(m) = w(f)$. Or:

$$\tilde{f}(\underline{x}, t) = \sum_m c_m \cdot m \cdot t^{w(f) - w(m)}.$$

Given an ideal $I \subseteq R$, set $\tilde{I} = \langle \tilde{f}(x_1, \dots, x_n, t) : f \in I \rangle$.

Set $S = V(\tilde{I})$.

> **Theorem (Flat family):** For any ideal I and any weight vector w ,

1. \tilde{R}/\tilde{I} is free (hence flat) as a $k[t]$ -module.
2. $\tilde{R}/\tilde{I} \otimes_{k[t]} k[t]/(t) \cong R/in_w(I)$
3. $\tilde{R}/\tilde{I} \otimes_{k[t]} k[t, t^{-1}] \cong R/I$.

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> Connections between I and $LT(I)$.

> **Theorem (Macaulay):** Let $I \subseteq R$ be an ideal. For any monomial order $>$ on R , the set B of all monomials not in $LT_{>}(I)$ forms a k -vector space basis for R/I . (Also for $R/LT_{<}(I)$).

Proof. - LINEAR INDEPENDENCE: Assume that $\sum_{b_i \in B} \lambda_i b_i = 0$ in R/I . This implies $f := \sum_{b_i \in B} \lambda_i b_i \in I$. Hence $LT(f) \in LT_{>}(I)$. But all monomials in f are from B which are monomials NOT in $LT(I)$. Therefore $f = 0$.

- SPANNING SET: To show $\text{span}_k(B) = R/I \iff \text{span}_k(B \cup I) = R$ (as k -vs.) Suppose $\text{span}_k(B \cup I) \subsetneq R$. Let $f \in R \setminus \text{span}_k(B \cup I)$ of minimal leading term. Consider $LT(f)$.

- 1) If $LT(f) \notin LT_{<}(I)$, hence $LT(f) \in B$. Then $f - LT(f) \notin \text{span}_k(B \cup I)$. (Contradiction)
- 2) If $LT(f) \in LT_{<}(I)$. Then there exists $g \in I$ such that $LT(g) = LT(f)$. But then $f - g \notin \text{span}_k(B \cup I)$ and also LT strictly smaller than that of f . (Contradiction)

□

> **COROLLARY:** If I is a homogeneous ideal, then $HF_{R/I}(i) = HF_{R/LT(I)}(i)$. (To see this: The left hand side is just $\dim_k(R/I)_i$ and the right side is just $\dim_k(R/LT(I))_i$. A basis for $(R/I)_i$ is given by elements of B of degree i . A basis for the right is given by the same monomials, hence the dimensions must be equal, giving the desired equality.)

- > Recall the image from last time: surface S ; $V(I)$ at $t = 1$ and $V(LT(I))$ and $t = 0$.
- > We proposed a construction $\tilde{I} = \langle \tilde{f}(\underline{x}, t) : f \in I \rangle$ w.r.t. weight vector w .
- > **Theorem (Flat family):** For any ideal I and any weight vector $w \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n$.

- (1) \tilde{R}/\tilde{I} is free (hence flat) as a $k[t]$ -module.
- (2) $\tilde{R}/\tilde{I} \otimes_{k[t]} k[t]/(t) \cong R/in_w(I)$
- (3) $\tilde{R}/\tilde{I} \otimes_{k[t]} k[t, t^{-1}] \cong (R/I)[t, t^{-1}]$.¹⁴

Proof.

□

- > HOW TO COMPUTE \tilde{I} :

Method 1: Compute a GB $\{g_1, \dots, g_s\}$ of I w.r.t. $<_w$. Then $\tilde{I} = \langle \tilde{g}_1, \dots, \tilde{g}_s \rangle$.

Method 2: If $I = \langle f_1, \dots, f_t \rangle$, then $\tilde{I} = \langle \tilde{f}_1, \dots, \tilde{f}_t \rangle : (t^\infty)$.

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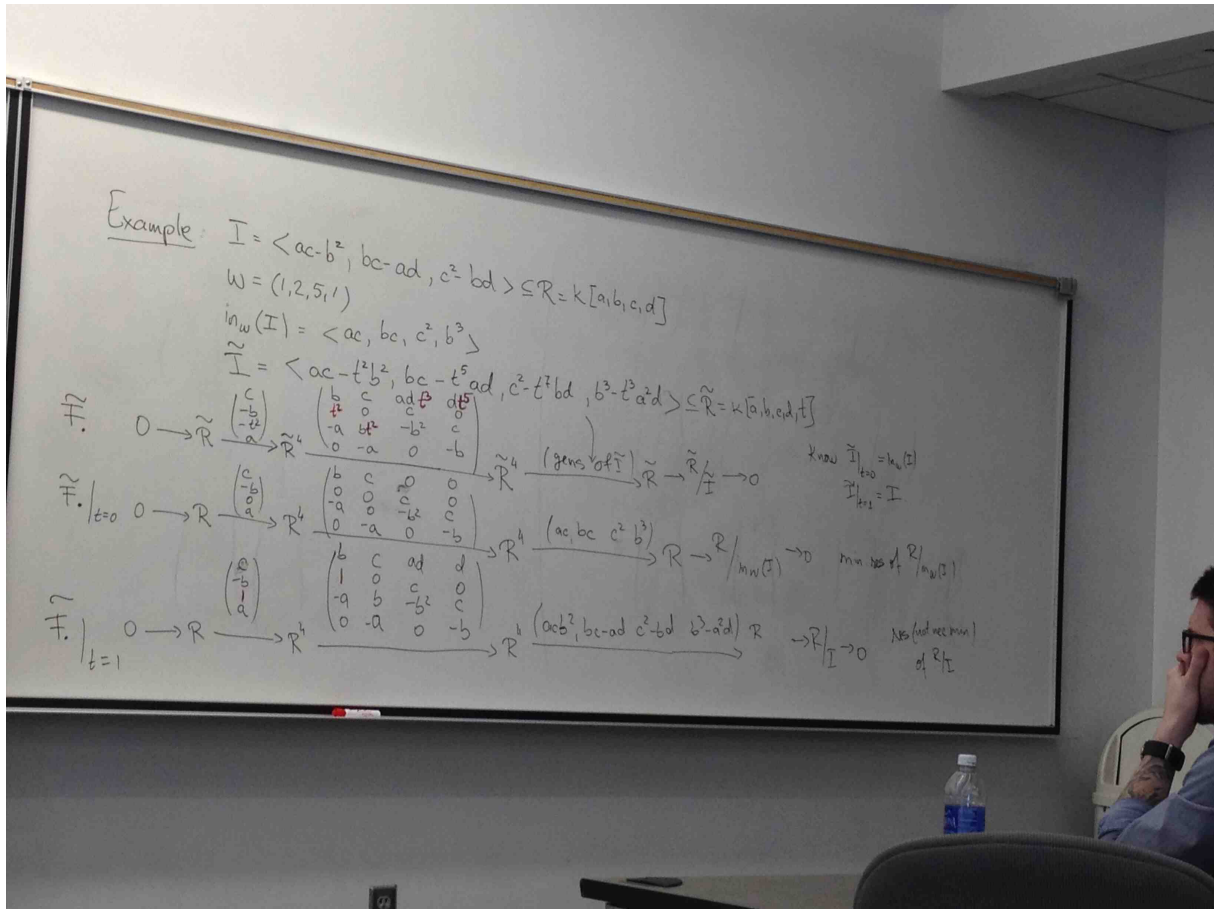
- > **Theorem (Peeva, 2005):** Consecutive cancellations.

Let I be a homogeneous ideal and $w \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n$. Then

- $\beta_{ij}(R/I) \leq \beta_{ij}(R/in_w(I))$
- furthermore, the $\beta_{ij}(R/I)$ can be obtained from $\beta_{ij}(R/in_w(I))$ by a sequence of consecutive cancellations (i.e., simultaneously decreasing β_{ij} and $\beta_{i+1,j}$ by 1 unit for some fixed i, j).

- > EXAMPLE:

¹⁴different from first time



Proof of theorem: Let \tilde{R} and \tilde{I} be like last time.

FACT 1: Thm about flat family implied \tilde{R}/\tilde{I} is $k[t]$ -free (in fact $\tilde{R}/\tilde{I} = \bigoplus_{b \in B} b \cdot k[t]$). For $\alpha \in k$, $t - \alpha$ is a nzd on $k[t]$ so $t - \alpha$ is also a nzd on \tilde{R}/\tilde{I} . (obviously, $t - \alpha$ is a nzd on $\tilde{R} = k[x_1, \dots, x_n, t]$).

FACT 2: If M is an S -module and u is a n.z.d. both on S and on M and if F_\bullet is a (minimal) free resolution of M over S , then $F_\bullet \otimes_S S/(u)$ is a free resolution of $M \otimes_S S/(u)$ over $S/(u)$.

FACT 3: We have two gradings on \tilde{R} : $\deg(x_i) = 1$, $\deg(t) = 0$ or $\deg(x_i) = w_i$, $\deg(t) = 1$. Note that \tilde{I} is homogeneous w.r.t. both of the gradings. It follows that \tilde{R}/\tilde{I} has a graded \tilde{R} -free resolution \tilde{F}_\bullet that is

- minimal (i.e., entries in the differential maps are in (x_1, \dots, x_n, t))
- homogeneous w.r.t. both gradings.

Facts 1 & 2 ($S = \tilde{R}$, $M = \tilde{R}/\tilde{I}$) give $\tilde{F}_\bullet \otimes_{\tilde{R}} \tilde{R}/(t - \alpha)$ is a free resolution of $\tilde{R}/\tilde{I} \otimes_{\tilde{R}} \tilde{R}/(t - \alpha) \cong \tilde{R}/(\tilde{I} + (t - \alpha))$ over $\tilde{R}/(t - \alpha)$.

Let $\alpha = 0$. Then $\tilde{F}_\bullet|_{t=0} = \tilde{F}_\bullet \otimes_{\tilde{R}} \tilde{R}/(t)$ is a free resolution of $\tilde{R}/\tilde{I} \otimes_{\tilde{R}} \tilde{R}/(t) \cong R/in_w(I)$ over $\tilde{R}/(t) = R$ i.e., $\tilde{F}_\bullet|_{t=0}$ is a minimal (entries of the differentials are now in (x_1, \dots, x_n)) R -free resolution of $R/in_w(I)$.

Now let $\alpha = 1$. Then $\tilde{F}_\bullet|_{t=1} = \tilde{F}_\bullet \otimes_{\tilde{R}} \tilde{R}/(t - 1)$ is a resolution of $\tilde{R}/\tilde{I} \otimes_{\tilde{R}} \tilde{R}/(t - 1) \cong R/I$ over $\tilde{R}/(t - 1) \cong R$. (However, this might not be minimal.)

But then $\tilde{F}_\bullet|_{t=1} = G \oplus H_\bullet$. (where G is the minimal free resolution of R/I over R and H is a direct sum of trivial complexes.) Therefore $\beta_{ij}(\tilde{R}/\tilde{I}) = \beta_{ij}(R/I) \oplus \beta_{ij}(H_\bullet)$. \square

> COR: If there are no possible cancellations, then the $\beta_{ij}(R/I) = \beta_{ij}(R/in_w(I))$. For example if $R/in_w(I)$ has a linear resolution.....

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> What properties transfer between I and $in_w(I)$ (or $LT(I)$)?

- 1) $\dim R/I = \dim R/in_w(I) = \dim R/LT(I)$. (Krull dimension) (Pf: Fibers in a flat family have the same dimension; OR use Macaulay's Theorem.)
- 2) $HF_{R/I}(i) = HF_{R/in_w(I)}(i) = HF_{R/LT(I)}(i)$ (Macaulay)
- 3) $\text{pd } R/in_w(I) \geq \text{pd } R/I$ and $\text{reg } R/in_w(I) \geq \text{reg } R/I$ (Peeva's Thm).
- 4) If $R/in_w(I)$ is CM ($\dim R/in_w(I) = n - \text{pd } R/in_w(I)$), then R/I is CM.
- 5) R/I is CM if and only if $R/gin_{GrRevLex}(I)$ is CM.

> **The Gröbner Fan**

- There exist an uncountable number of monomial orderings. (e.g. every weight vector $w \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^n$ such that coord. of w are algebraically independent implies $>_w$ is a monomial ordering. $> = >_{w'} \iff w = \lambda \cdot w'$ for $\lambda \in (0, \infty)$.)
- Fix an ideal I .

> **Thm:** Let I be an ideal. There are only finitely many distinct initial ideals of I .

> **PROP:** If I is an ideal and $LT_{<}(I) = LT_{<' }(I)$, then the reduced GBs of I w.r.t. $<$ and $<'$ are identical.

> The theorem + Prop give there exists finitely many reduced GBs for a fixed ideal I (letting monomial order vary).

> **COR:** Let I be an ideal. There is a finite set that generates I and is a Gröbner basis for I w.r.t. any monomial ordering.

Proof. This set is the union of the finite set of distinct reduced GBs of I . □

> **DEFN:** The set from the Cor. is called a universal GB for I .

> Fix I and a monomial ordering $>$. Recall, by a theorem of Bayer, there exists $w \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^n$ s/t $LT_{>}(I) = in_w(I)$.

> **Question:** What are all the weight vectors w with the property that $LT_{>}(I) = in_w(I)$?

> **DEFN:** Let G be the reduced GB of I w.r.t. $>$. $G = \{g_1, \dots, g_s\}$. $LT_{>}(I) = \langle LT(g_1), \dots, LT(g_s) \rangle$. Say $g_i = u_i + \sum_j v_{ij}$.

$$C_{>}(I) := \{w \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^n : u_i \geq wv_{ij} \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq s, u_i = LT(g_i), v_{ij} \text{ any other lower terms in } g\}$$

is the *cone* of weight vectors corresponding to I and the monomial ordering $>$.

> **EXAMPLE:** $I = \langle x^2 - y^3, x^3 - y^2 + x \rangle$, $> = GrLex$ with $x > y$. Then $C_{GrLex}(I) = ?$

A reduced GB for I w.r.t. $GrLex$ is $G = \{y^3 - x^2, x^3 - y^2 + x\} = \{g_1, g_2\}$

Then

$$C_{GrLex}(I) = \{w = (w_1, w_2) \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^2 : y^3 \geq_w x^2, x^3 \geq_w y^2, x^3 \geq_w x\}.$$

$$\text{Recall, } y^3 \geq_w x^2 \iff (0, 3) \cdot (w_1, w_2) \geq (2, 0) \cdot (w_1, w_2). \iff (-2, 3) \cdot (w_1, w_2) \geq 0 \iff -2w_1 + 3w_2 \geq 0$$

$$\text{Similarly, } x^3 \geq_w y^2 \iff (3, 0) \cdot (w_1, w_2) \geq (0, 2) \cdot (w_1, w_2). \iff (3, -2) \cdot (w_1, w_2) \geq 0 \iff 3w_1 - 2w_2 \geq 0$$

Also $x^3 \geq_w x \iff (3, 0) \cdot (w_1, w_2) \geq (1, 0) \cdot (w_1, w_2). \iff (2, 0) \cdot (w_1, w_2) \geq 0 \iff 2w_1 \geq 0$ (superfluous since $(w_1, w_2) \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^2$.)

Picture: two lines with slope of 3/2 and one with slope 2/3, the cone is the region between these two lines.

> **FACT:** $C_{>}(I)$ is always a (geometric) cone. i.e., closed under addition of vectors and closed under multiplication by non-negative scalars.

- > RMK: For any w in the interior of $C_{>}(I)$, we have $LT_{>}(I) = in_w(I)$. For w on the boundary of $C_{>}(I)$, $in_w(I)$ is NOT a monomial ideal.
- > FACT: The two distinct Gröbner cones of I intersect along a common face of each.
- > EXAMPLE: The Grobner cones of $I = \langle x^2 - y^3, x^3 - y^2 + x \rangle$: The cones are: regions bounded between the lines with slopes 6, 4, 3/2, 2/3, 1/4, 1/7. In the example, label these cones (1)-(7). (4) corresponds to C_{GrLex} with $x > y$, (1) corresponds to C_{Lex} , w/ $y > x$, and (7) corresponds to C_{Lex} with $x > y$.
- > DEFN: The Gröbner fan of I is the union of the Gröbner cones of I .

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> Nathan talk on: **The Gröbner Walk**

> GOAL: Convert a RGB (reduced Gröbner basis) of I w.r.t. $<_1$ to a RGB of I w.r.t. $<_2$.

> EXAMPLE:

- $R = k[x, y]$, $I = \langle x^2 - y^3, x^3 - y^2 + x \rangle$.
- $G_0 = \langle y^3 - x^2, x^3 - y^2 + x \rangle$ is a RGB of I w.r.t. grevlex, with $x > y$. (call this $<_1$)
- Connect to RGB of I w.r.t. lex with $x > y$. (call this $<_2$)
- $\omega_0 = (1, 1) \in C_{<_1}(I)$ and $\tau_0 = (1, 0) \in C_{<_2}(I)$ and $\alpha = (1, 2/3)$.
- $in_\alpha(G_0) = \{y^3 - x^2, x^3\}$. Does this generated $in_\alpha(I)$? Yes, since for all $f \in I$, $LT_{<_1}(f) = LT_{<_1}(in_\alpha(f))$, by the definition of Grobner cone $C_{<_1}(I)$ and the fact that $\alpha \in C_{<_1}(I)$.
- Use Buchberger's Algorithm to compute H_1 , the RGB of $in_\alpha(I)$ w.r.t. $<_{2_\alpha}$. Note that $\alpha \in C_{<_{2_\alpha}}(I)$. ($f <_{2_\alpha} g \iff \text{multideg}(f) \cdot \alpha < \text{multideg}(g) \cdot \alpha$ if $= wf <_2 g$??).

$$H_1 = \{x^2 - y^3, xy^3, y^6\}.$$

- Examine $S = \{\bar{h}^{G_0} : h \in H_1\} = \{0, y^2 - x, xy^2 - y^3\}$. So $in_\alpha(h) = in_\alpha(h - \bar{h}^{G_0})$ for every $h \in H_1$. $LT_{<_{2_\alpha}}(I) = \langle LT_{<_{2_\alpha}}(h - \bar{h}^{G_0}) : h \in H_1 \rangle$.
- Now, $G' = \{h - \bar{h}^{G_0} : h \in H_1\} = \{x^2 - y^3, xy^3 - (y^2 - x), y^6 - (x^2_\alpha - y^3)\}$ is a GB of I w.r.t. $<_{2_\alpha}$.
- Now $G_1 = \{x^2 - y^3, xy^3 - y^2 + x, y^6 - xy^2 + x^2\}$ is a RGB of I w.r.t. $<_{2_\alpha}$.

> LEMMA 1: If G is a RGB of I w.r.t. $<_1$, then $in_\omega(G)$ is RGB of $in_\omega(I)$ w.r.t. $<_1$, for all $\omega \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^n$.

> LEMMA 3: $C_{<_1}(I) = C_{<_2}(I)$ if and only if $LT_{<_1}(g) = LT_{<_2}(g)$ for all $g \in RGB$ of I w.r.t. $<_1$ (termination condition).

> Louigi: **Maximal Bettei Numbers**

> Setup: k is a field with characteristic 0. $A = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ (with standard grading). I is monomial ideal. Then define $G(I)$ as the set of minimal monomial generators.

> DEFN: I is *strongly stable* if $x_i m \in I$ implies $x_p m \in I$ for every $1 \leq p \leq i$.

> Notice: when $\text{char}(k) = 0$, Borel-fixed = strongly stable.

> DEFN: L is *Lexicographic* if for every $j \in \mathbb{N}$, L_j is spanned by the first $\dim L_j$ monomials in the lexicographic order.

> FACT: Lexicographic ideal is strongly stable. $x_i m \in I$ for $1 \leq p \leq i$ $x_p < x_i$ implies $x_p m < x_i m$.

> **Theorem (Peeva):** J homogeneous $\beta_{i,i+j}(J) \subseteq \beta_{i,i+j}(in J)$.

> **Theorem (Galligo, Bayer-Stillman):** If J is homogeneous, C is any monomial order, then $gin_{<} J$ is Borel-fixed.

> FACT: The Hilbert series of J and $gin_{<} J$ are the same: $HS_{gin_{<} J} = HS_{LT(gJ)} = HS_J$.

- > We proved that there exists a Borel-fixed ideal I with the same HS of J such that $\beta_{i,i+j}(J) \leq \beta_{i,i+j}(I)$.
- > **FACT:** By Macaulay's Theorem and Kruskal-Katona's Theorem, there exists a Lexicographic ideal L with the same Hilbert series of I .
- > **Main Theorem:** Let J be a homogeneous ideal of A . If L is the lexicographic ideal with the same HS, then

$$\beta_{i,i+j}(J) \leq \beta_{i,i+j}(L)$$

for every i, j .

Proof. It suffices to show $\beta_{i,i+j}(I) \leq \beta_{i,i+j}(L)$ when I is Borel-fixed.

Notation: m is a monomial, $\max(m) = \max\{i : x_i \text{ divides } m\}$. M a monomial ideal, then $M_J^\#$ is the set of all monomials in M_J . If \mathcal{M} is a set of monomials, then $\omega_p(\mathcal{M}) = |\{m \in \mathcal{M} : \max(m) = p\}|$ and $\omega_{\leq p}(\mathcal{M}) = |\{m \in \mathcal{M} : \max(m) \leq p\}|$. In particular, $\omega_{\leq m}(M_J^\#) = \dim_k M_J$.

Theorem (Green): If I is strongly stable and L is lexicographic with the same HS as I then $\omega_{\leq p}(L_J^\#) \leq \omega_{\leq p}(I_J^\#)$ for all p, J .

LEMMA: I is Borel-fixed, then

$$\beta_{i,i+j} = |I_J^\# \binom{n-1}{i}| - \sum_{p=1}^{n-1} \omega_{\leq p}(I_J^\#) \binom{p-1}{i-1} - \sum_{p=1}^n \omega_{\leq p}(I_{j-1}^\#) \binom{p-1}{i}.$$

Proof. By Eliahou-Kervaire,

$$\beta_{i,i+j}(I) = \sum_{m \in G(I)_J} \binom{\max(m)-1}{i} = \sum_{p=1}^m \omega_p(G(I)_J) \binom{p-1}{i}.$$

$G(I)_j = I_j^\# \setminus I_{j-1}^\# \cdot \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$. by the strongly stable property ...

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