

Observation: $f(x) \in K[x]$; $\alpha \in K$.

$(x - \alpha)$ divides $f(x) \iff f(\alpha) = 0$. ↙ derivative as defined in Calculus

$(x - \alpha)^N$ divides $f(x) \iff f(\alpha) = f'(\alpha) = \dots = f^{(N-1)}(\alpha) = 0$

A polynomial of degree N cannot have more than N distinct roots.

(we have used this before: $\text{Aut}_K(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{F}_p^\times$ is cyclic)

eg $x^2 + x + 1 \in \mathbb{F}_2[x]$ is irreducible since $f(\alpha) \neq 0$ for $\alpha = 0, 1$.

Lectures 31-44 will be what's on the midterm.

Polynomial rings in many variables w/ coefficients from a field, $K = \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{F}_p$

Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$, $R = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$.

Cor. of Hilbert Basis Theorem: R is Noetherian
i.e. every ideal in R is finitely generated.

$R = \underbrace{(K[x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}])}_A [x_n]$. $R = A[u]$. A is Noeth. by ind. hyp.
↙ rename it to u .

Hilbert's proof (sketch): Take $I \subseteq A[u]$.

Step 1. take leading coeffs. $L(I) \subseteq A$ ↖ ideal

$L(I) = (a_1, \dots, a_k)$.

Pick $p_1(u), \dots, p_k(u) \in I$ s.t. $L(p_i(u)) = a_i$.

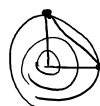
Prove: modulo $(P_1(u), \dots, P_k(u))$, we can assume that an element of I has degree $< \max \{\deg(P_i)\} = D$.

Step 2. Pick finitely many "generators" of $I_{<D} = \{p(u) \in I \mid \deg(p(u)) < D\}$.
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 not really
 Computable/algorithmic.

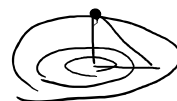
but what's special about x_n ? any variable can be used.

Gröbner Basis Theory -

Optimization problems: Maximize $x^2 + y^2$ when $x \geq 0, y \geq 0, x + y \leq 3$.



$x^2 + y^2$



In general: Constraints $f_1(x_1, \dots, x_n) \leq 0$
 $f_2(x_1, \dots, x_n) \leq 0$
 \vdots

Monomial = polynomial w/ one term. eg $4x_1^2 x_2 x_3^4 \in K[x_1, x_2, x_3]$.

$x_1 + x_2 x_3$ is not a monomial.

Polynomials in $K[x_1, x_2]$ is of the form $\sum_{k_1, k_2 \geq 0}^{finite} C(k_1, k_2) x_1^{k_1} x_2^{k_2}$

Notation: x_1, \dots, x_n just write \underline{x}

$\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ just write $\underline{\alpha}$

So $\underline{x}^{\underline{\alpha}} = x_1^{\alpha_1} x_2^{\alpha_2} \dots x_n^{\alpha_n}$ [monomial].

Polynomials in $K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ are of the form

$$\sum_{\substack{\text{finite} \\ \underline{\alpha} \in (\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0})^n}} c(\underline{\alpha}) \cdot \underline{x}^{\underline{\alpha}}$$

$$\{ \underline{x}^{\underline{\alpha}} : \underline{\alpha} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n \}$$

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We have to fix an order on the set of monomials.

Such that $\underline{x}^{\underline{\alpha}} < \underline{x}^{\underline{\beta}} \implies \underline{x}^{\underline{\alpha} + \underline{\gamma}} \leq \underline{x}^{\underline{\beta} + \underline{\gamma}}$ for all $\underline{\gamma} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n$.

Constants are less than everybody, but have no internal order.

eg Lexicographic Ordering (or dictionary ordering):

- pick (arbitrary) ordering on alphabet $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$
- ordering on monomials = according to dictionary

$$\text{eg if } x_1 > x_2 > x_3 \quad x_1^{k_1} x_2^{k_2} x_3^{k_3} > x_1^{l_1} x_2^{l_2} x_3^{l_3}$$

$$\implies k_1 > l_1 \text{ or } k_1 = l_1 \text{ and } k_2 > l_2 \text{ or } k_1 = l_1 \text{ and } k_2 = l_2 \text{ and } k_3 > l_3.$$

$$R = K[x_1, \dots, x_n] \ni f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{\substack{\text{finite} \\ \underline{\alpha} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n}} c(\underline{\alpha}) \underline{x}^{\underline{\alpha}}.$$

Let \leq be monomial order. Let $\text{LT}(f)$ = largest monomial in $f(x_1, \dots, x_n)$.

$$\text{LT}(f) = c(\underline{\alpha}_0) \underline{x}^{\underline{\alpha}_0} \quad \text{where } c(\underline{\alpha}_0) \neq 0 \text{ and } \nexists \underline{\alpha} \neq \underline{\alpha}_0 \text{ s.t. } c(\underline{\alpha}) \neq 0 \implies \underline{x}^{\underline{\alpha}} < \underline{x}^{\underline{\alpha}_0}$$

For $I \subseteq R$; $LT(I) \stackrel{\text{defn}}{=} \text{ideal generated by } \{LT(f) : f \in I\} \text{ in } R \text{ again.}$
ideal

$$\underline{x}^\alpha \mid \underline{x}^\beta \iff \alpha_i \leq \beta_i \quad \forall i.$$

Some examples:

(1) say $n=2$. call our variables x and y .

$$R = K[x, y].$$

$x > y \implies$ Lexicographical monomial ordering.

$$f(x, y) = x^2y + xy^3 + 3 \quad \text{so } LT(f(x, y)) = x^2y.$$

(if we started w/ $x < y$, $LT(f(x, y)) = xy^3$).

$$I = (f_1, \dots, f_r). \quad LT(I) \supseteq (LT(f_1), \dots, LT(f_r)).$$

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 not necessarily
 equal.

If it's equal, (f_1, \dots, f_r) is a Gröbner basis.

eg

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) &= x^3y - xy^2 + 1 \\ g(x, y) &= x^2y^2 - y^3 - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$I = (f(x, y), g(x, y)) \subset R \text{ ideal.}$$

$$LT(f(x, y)) = x^3y, \quad LT(g(x, y)) = x^2y^2. \quad \text{"monomials"}$$

$\implies (LT(f), LT(g)) \ni h(x, y) \implies h$ has all terms of degree at least 4

but $x \in LT(I)$ since $yf(x, y) - xg(x, y) = x + y$, $LT(x+y) = x$.

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 \vdots

"Initial ideal"