

Regular bases for algebraic function fields

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Some problems with algebraic curves and functions

K field of characteristic 0, $P \in K[x, Y]$ squarefree, $n = \deg_Y(P)$.

1. Number of irreducible components of the curve $P(x, Y) = 0$.
2. If P is irreducible over \overline{K} , genus of the curve $P(x, Y) = 0$.
3. For a given $f \in K(x, y) = K(x)[Y]/(P)$, is $\int f$ elementary?

Classical geometric algorithms for 1 & 2 (Newton polygon).

Classical algorithms for 3 (Davenport 1981, Trager 1984).

Differential approach for 1 & 2 (Cormier & al. 2002).

The associated linear differential operator

Any derivation D of $K(x)$ (in particular d/dx) extends uniquely to $K(x, y) = K(x)[Y]/(P)$. Since $[K(x, y) : K(x)] = n$, $y, Dy, \dots, D^n y$ are linearly dependent over $K(x)$, so $L_{D,P}y = 0$ for some linear ordinary differential operator $L_{D,P} \in K(x)[D]$ of order at most n . Let $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n$ be the embeddings of $K(x, y)$ in $\overline{K}(x)$ over $K(x)$. **If the $\sigma_i y$ are linearly independent over \overline{K}** , $L_{D,P}$ is of order exactly n and its solution space is spanned by $\sigma_1 y, \dots, \sigma_n y$.

$$y^2 - x = 0 \rightarrow 2x \frac{dy}{dx} - y = 0$$

$$z = x + y \rightarrow 2x^2 \frac{d^2 z}{dx^2} - x \frac{dz}{dx} + z = 0$$

Irreducible components

$$\#\{\text{irreducible components}\} = \dim_K \text{Sol}(L_{\frac{d}{dx}, P}) \cap K(x)$$

$$\#\text{components} = \#\{\text{orbits of } G\} = \dim_{\overline{K}}\{v \mid Gv = v\}.$$

$$P = P_1 \dots P_m \rightarrow \{\text{Tr}(P_i)\}_{1 \leq i \leq m} \text{ is a } \overline{K}\text{-basis for } \text{Sol}(L_{\frac{d}{dx}, P}) \cap \overline{K}(x).$$

Algorithm for “lifting” a K -basis of $\text{Sol}(L_{\frac{d}{dx}, P}) \cap K(x)$ to a factorisation of P over \overline{K} .

$$\#\{\text{irreducible components}\} = \dim_K \text{Const}_{\frac{d}{dx}}(K(x, y))$$

Translates into a differential system of the form $\frac{dZ}{dx} = A(x)Z$ for $c_1(x), \dots, c_n(x)$ such that $c = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} c_i(x)y^i \in \text{Const}_{\frac{d}{dx}}(K(x, y))$.

$\text{gcd}(P, \alpha - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} c_i(x)y^i)$ is a non trivial factor of P , where $\alpha = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} c_i(x_0)y_0^i$ for an ordinary point (x_0, y_0) of the curve.

Computing the genus

$$\begin{aligned}
 g &= 1 - n + \sum_{\mathcal{P} \in \overline{K} \cup \{\infty\}} \sum_{Q \text{ above } \mathcal{P}} \frac{e(Q) - 1}{2} \\
 &= 1 - n + \sum_{\mathcal{P} \in \overline{K} \cup \{\infty\}} \sum_{H_{\mathcal{P}}(L \frac{d}{dx})_{\mathcal{P}}(\alpha) = 0} (\alpha \bmod \mathbb{Z})
 \end{aligned}$$

where $H_{\mathcal{P}}(L)$ is the indicial equation of L at \mathcal{P} .

Let Q be above \mathcal{P} with center t and ramification index $e = e(Q)$.

$$y = \sum_{m \geq \mu} \beta_m t^{\frac{m}{e}} = \sum_{j=0}^{e-1} t^{\frac{j}{e}} f_j \text{ where } f_j \in \overline{K}((t))$$

The e conjugates of y are

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tau^1 y \\ \tau^2 y \\ \vdots \\ \tau^e y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ 1 & \xi & \cdots & \xi^{e-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 1 & \xi^{e-1} & \cdots & \xi^{(e-1)(e-1)} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f_0 \\ t^{\frac{1}{e}} f_1 \\ \vdots \\ t^{\frac{e-1}{e}} f_{e-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

where ξ is a primitive e^{th} root of 1. Therefore, $t^{\frac{j}{e}} f_j$ is a formal series solution of $L_{\frac{d}{dx}, P}$ at \mathcal{P} , so $H_{\mathcal{P}}(L_{\frac{d}{dx}, P})$ has roots $\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_{e-1}$ such that $\alpha_j = \frac{j}{e} \pmod{\mathbb{Z}}$.

$$\sum_{j=0}^{e-1} (\alpha_j \pmod{\mathbb{Z}}) = \sum_{j=0}^{e-1} \frac{j}{e} = \frac{e-1}{2}$$

Using differential systems

$K(x, y) = K(x)[y]/(P)$ is a vector space of dimension n over $K(x)$. Any derivation D of $K(x)$ extends uniquely to $K(x, y)$. For w_1, \dots, w_n any basis for $K(x, y)$ over $K(x)$,

$$\begin{pmatrix} Dw_1 \\ \vdots \\ Dw_n \end{pmatrix} = A(x) \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{pmatrix} \text{ where } A(x) \text{ has entries in } K(x)$$

$$DU = A(x)U \text{ where } U = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1 w_1 & \sigma_2 w_1 & \cdots & \sigma_n w_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \sigma_1 w_n & \sigma_2 w_n & \cdots & \sigma_n w_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i(x)w_i \in \text{Const}_D(K(x, y)) \iff D \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix} = -A(x)^T \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Using Moser forms

Let $p \in K[x]$ be irreducible. $DZ = AZ$ is in **Moser form** at p if pA has entries in $\mathcal{O}_p = \{f \in K(x) \text{ st } \nu_p(f) \geq 0\}$.

If $\frac{dZ}{dx} = AZ$ is in Moser form at p , then the indicial equation of $\frac{dZ}{dx} = AZ$ at any root $\alpha \in \overline{K}$ of p is $H_p(\lambda) = \det((pA)(\alpha) - \lambda)$.

- 1) Pick any basis W (e.g. $1, y, \dots, y^{n-1}$)
- 2) Compute A st. $\frac{dW}{dx} = AW$
- 3) For each pole $p \in K[x] \cup \{\infty\}$ of A , transform the system into Moser form (Moser 1960, Barkatou 1995) and compute $H_p(\lambda)$.
 - Integer roots of $H_p(\lambda) \rightarrow$ bound \rightarrow solutions in $K(x)$
 - Adjoint system $\rightarrow \text{Const}_{\frac{d}{dx}}(K(x, y)) \rightarrow$ irreducible components
 - Rational roots of $H_p(\lambda) \rightarrow$ genus.

A trivial example

$$y^2 - x = 0 \rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2x} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ y \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{is in Moser form}$$

$$H_0(\lambda) = \det \begin{pmatrix} -\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} - \lambda \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \left(\lambda - \frac{1}{2} \right) \rightarrow \text{one irreducible component}$$

$$x = 1/z \rightarrow zy^2 - 1 = 0 \rightarrow \frac{d}{dz} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2z} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ y \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{is in Moser form}$$

$$H_\infty(\lambda) = \det \begin{pmatrix} -\lambda & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} - \lambda \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \left(\lambda + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$g = 1 - 2 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

Regular bases

From now on, D is a derivation on $K(x)$ such that both K and $K[x]$ are closed under D . Let $p \in K[x]$ be irreducible and define

$$\delta_D(p) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \gcd(p, Dp) = 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } p \mid Dp \end{cases}$$

A basis $W = (w_1, \dots, w_n)$ of $K(x, y)$ over $K(x)$ is **locally regular at p** (w.r.t. D) iff

- (i) each w_i is locally integral at p , and
- (ii) $p^{\delta_D(p)} DW = AW$ for a matrix A with **entries in \mathcal{O}_p** .

W is **(globally) regular** (w.r.t. D) if it is locally regular at all the irreducible $p \in K[t]$.

Thrm. For any irreducible $p \in K[x]$, a local integral basis at p is regular at p . A global integral basis is globally regular.

Extending a module

Let $R \subset K(x)$ be a principal ideal domain integrally closed in $K(x)$ and whose fields of fraction is $K(x)$ ($\mathcal{O}_p, \mathcal{O}_\infty, K[x]$).

Let $W = (w_1, \dots, w_n)$ be any basis of $K(x, y)$ over $K(x)$ and $RW = \sum_{i=1}^n R w_i$ be the module they generate over R .

Given $w = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{i=1}^n a_i w_i$ where $d, a_1, \dots, a_n \in K[x]$, the iteration:

- $g_i \leftarrow \gcd(d, a_i) = \alpha d + \beta a_i$
- $u_i \leftarrow \frac{1}{d} \left(g_i w_i + \beta \sum_{j=i+1}^n a_j w_j \right)$
- $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \leftarrow (0, \dots, 0, \frac{d}{g} a_{i+1}, \dots, \frac{d}{g} a_n)$

produces a basis u_1, \dots, u_n of $K(x, y)$ st $RW + R w = \sum_{i=1}^n R u_i$.

Constructing a local regular basis at an irreducible $p \in K[x]$

Start with $W = (w_1, \dots, w_n)$ any basis of $K(x, y)$ over $K(x)$ such that each w_i is locally integral at p .

If W is not locally regular at p , then for some i , there are $b_1, \dots, b_n \in \mathcal{O}_P$ and $m > 0$ such that

$$p^{m+\delta_D(p)} Dw_i = \sum_{j=1}^n b_j w_j$$

and $b_j \notin p\mathcal{O}_p$ for at least one j . Let $w = p^{\delta_D(p)} Dw_i$.

(i) w is locally integral at p

$$(ii) \quad w = \frac{1}{p^m} \sum_{j=1}^n b_j w_j \notin \mathcal{O}_p W = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{O}_p w_i$$

Replace W by (u_1, \dots, u_n) st $\mathcal{O}_p W + \mathcal{O}_p w = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{O}_p u_i$ and repeat.

Constructing a global regular basis

Start with $W = (w_1, \dots, w_n)$ any basis of $K(x, y)$ over $K(x)$ such that each w_i is integral over $K[x]$.

If W is not globally regular, then for some i , there are there are $q, b_1, \dots, b_n \in K[x]$ such that $\gcd(q, b_1, \dots, b_n) = 1$,

$$qDw_i = \sum_{j=1}^n b_j w_j \quad \text{and} \quad \deg(\gcd(q, Dq)) > 0$$

Let q^* be the squarefree part of q and $w = \frac{q^*}{\gcd(q^*, Dq^*)} Dw_i$.

(i) w is integral over $K[x]$

$$(ii) \quad w = \frac{q^*}{\gcd(q^*, Dq^*)} \frac{1}{q} \sum_{i=1}^n b_i w_i \notin K[x]W = \sum_{i=1}^n K[x]w_i$$

Replace W by (u_1, \dots, u_n) where $K[x]W + K[x]w = \sum_{i=1}^n K[x]u_i$ and repeat.

A degree 10 curve with 26 cusps

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 = & 761328152 x^6 - 5431439286 x^2 y^8 + 2494 x^2 + 228715574724 x^6 y^4 \\
 & + 9127158539954 x^{10} - 15052058268 x^6 y^2 + 3212722859346 x^8 y^2 \\
 & - 134266087241 x^8 - 202172841 y^8 - 34263110700 x^4 y^6 - 6697080 y^6 \\
 & - 2042158 x^4 - 201803238 y^{10} + 12024807786 x^4 y^4 - 128361096 x^4 y^2 \\
 & + 506101284 x^2 y^6 + 47970216 x^2 y^4 + 660492 x^2 y^2 - 474 y^2 - 84366 y^4
 \end{aligned}$$

Method	Time	
L_d/dx	∞	Roots are linearly dependent over $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$
$Y' = AY$	4'37"	Using AB 2001 instead of Moser reduction
regular basis	4.6"	Y-basis is regular everywhere except at ∞
algcurve[genus]	2.1"	Very simple singularities!

Algebraic integration and curves

$$\int \frac{\sqrt{1 + \tan(t)^4 + 2 \tan(t)^5 + 2 \tan(t)^3}}{\sqrt{1 + \tan(t)^4} \sqrt{t + \sqrt{1 + \tan(t)^4}}} dt$$

$$x = \tan(t), \quad y = \sqrt{t + \sqrt{1 + \tan(t)^4}}, \quad K = \mathbb{Q}(t), \quad D = \frac{d}{dt}$$

$$K(x, y) = K(x)[Y]/(Y^4 - 2tY^2 - x^4 + t^2 - 1), \quad Dx = 1 + x^2.$$

$$\int \frac{y^2 - t + 2x^5 + 2x^3}{y^3 - ty}$$

Thrm. If both K and $K[x]$ are closed under D , then given any $f \in K(x, y)$, one can compute $g, h \in K(x, y)$ such that $f = Dg + h$ and for any irreducible $p \in K[x]$, if $\gcd(p, Dp) = 1$, then h has at most simple poles above the roots of p (Hermite reduction).

Algebraic Hermite reduction (Trager 1986, MB 1987)

Let (w_1, \dots, w_n) be an **integral basis**, and write

$$f = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n A_i w_i}{Q} \text{ where } Q, A_1, \dots, A_n \in K[x]$$

Compute a split-squarefree factorisation $Q = SQ_1Q_2^2 \dots Q_{m+1}^{m+1}$ where $S \mid DS$ and $\gcd(Q_i, DQ_i) = 1 = \gcd(Q_i, Q_j)$ for $i \neq j$.

If $m \geq 1$, then let

$$S_i = QD \left(\frac{w_i}{Q_{m+1}^m} \right) \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n$$

and solve the linear system

$$\sum_{i=1}^n g_i S_i = \sum_{i=1}^n A_i w_i \quad \text{for } g_1, \dots, g_n \in \bigcap_{p \mid Q_{m+1}} \mathcal{O}_p \quad (1)$$

One then proves that there is always a unique solution

$$(g_1, \dots, g_n) = \left(\frac{G_1}{H}, \dots, \frac{G_n}{H} \right)$$

where $H, G_1, \dots, G_n \in K[x]$ and $\gcd(H, Q_{m+1}) = 1$, and that

$$h = f - D \left(\frac{H^{-1} \bmod Q_{m+1}}{Q_{m+1}} \sum_{i=1}^n G_i w_i \right) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n C_i w_i}{\hat{Q}}$$

where all normal factors of \hat{Q} appear with multiplicity $\leq m$.

Lazy Hermite reduction (MB 1998)

Let $W = (w_1, \dots, w_n)$ be any **regular basis**, and f, S_i as before.

1. If (1) has a solution $g_1, \dots, g_n \in \bigcap_{p|Q_{m+1}} \mathcal{O}_p$, then proceed as in the Hermite reduction.

2. Otherwise:

(a) If S_1, \dots, S_n are linearly dependent over $K(x)$, then there are $T_1, \dots, T_n \in K[x]$ such that $\gcd(T_1, \dots, T_n) = 1$ and $\sum_{i=1}^n T_i S_i = 0$. In that case,

$$w = \frac{Q}{Q_{m+1}^{m+2}} \sum_{i=1}^n T_i w_i \text{ is integral over } K[x] \text{ but } w \notin K[x]W$$

Replace W by (u_1, \dots, u_n) where $K[x]W + K[x]w = \sum_{i=1}^n K[x]u_i$ and repeat.

(b) If S_1, \dots, S_n are linearly independent over $K(x)$, then the unique solution

$$(g_1, \dots, g_n) = \left(\frac{G_1}{H}, \dots, \frac{G_n}{H} \right) \in K(x) \quad \text{of (1)}$$

is not in $\bigcap_{p|Q_{m+1}} \mathcal{O}_p$, so $\deg(G) > 0$ where $G = \gcd(H, Q_{m+1})$. In that case,

$$w = \frac{Q/G}{GQ_{m+1}^m} \sum_{i=1}^n G_i w_i \text{ is integral over } K[x] \text{ but } w \notin K[x]W$$

Replace W by (u_1, \dots, u_n) where $K[x]W + K[x]w = \sum_{i=1}^n K[x]u_i$ and repeat.

Example

$$\int \frac{y^3}{x^2} dx \quad \text{where } y^4 + (x^2 + x)y - x^2 = 0$$

$$x(27x^4 + 108x^3 + 418x^2 + 108x + 27) \frac{d}{dx} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ y \\ y^2 \\ y^3 \end{pmatrix} = A(x) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ y \\ y^2 \\ y^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

where the entries of A are in $\mathbb{Q}[x]$, so $W = (1, y, y^2, y^3)$ is regular.

$$S_i = x^2 \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{y^i}{x} \right), \quad S_1, S_2, S_3, S_4 \text{ linearly independent over } \mathbb{Q}(x)$$

The linear system (1) has the unique solution

$$(g_1, g_2, g_3, g_4) = (0, 0, -\frac{2}{x}, \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2}) \notin \mathcal{O}_x$$

$G = \gcd(x^2, x) = x$ and

$$w = \frac{1}{x}((x+1)y^3 - 2xy^2) = \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)y^3 - 2y^2$$

is integral over $\mathbb{Q}[x]$. W.r.t. the basis $(u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4) = (1, y, y^2, \frac{y^3}{x})$, the integral becomes

$$\int \frac{u_3}{x} dx$$

whose denominator is squarefree.