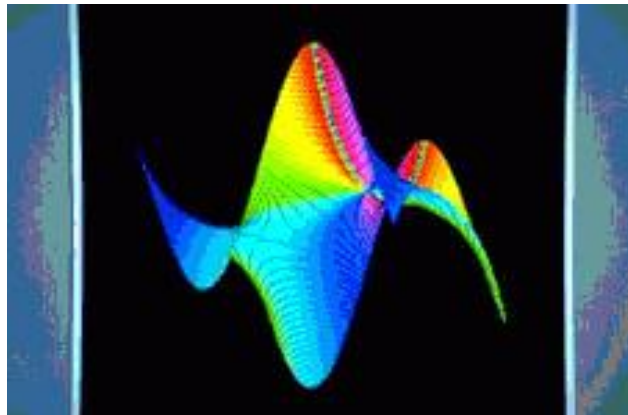


Computer algebra for Combinatorics

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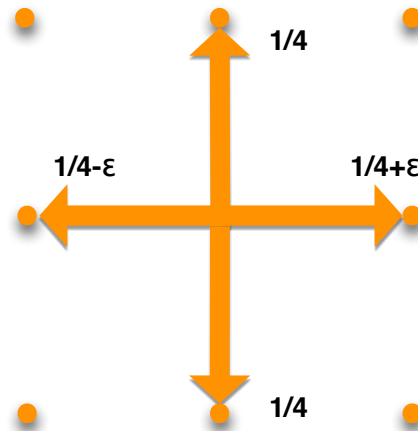
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INTRODUCTION

1. Examples

From the SIAM 100-Digit Challenge



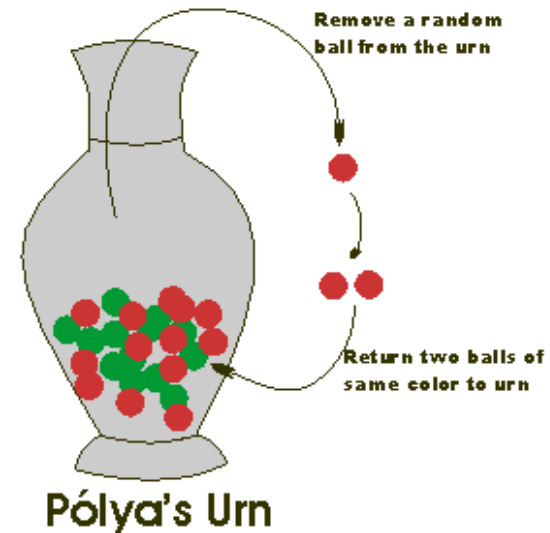
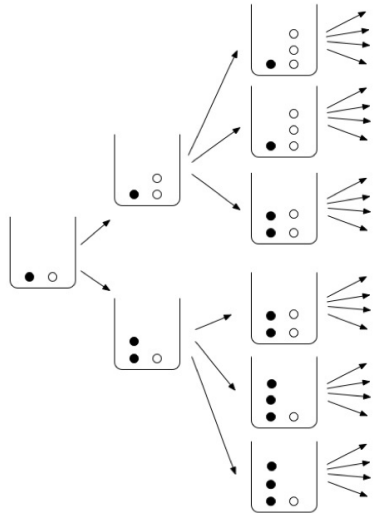
Problem 6

A flea starts at $(0,0)$ on the infinite two-dimensional integer lattice and executes a biased random walk: At each step it hops north or south with probability $1/4$, east with probability $1/4 + \epsilon$, and west with probability $1/4 - \epsilon$. The probability that the flea returns to $(0,0)$ sometime during its wanderings is $1/2$. What is ϵ ?

► Computer algebra [conjectures](#) and [proves](#)

$$p(\epsilon) = 1 - \sqrt{\frac{A}{2}} \cdot {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \end{matrix} \middle| \frac{2\sqrt{1-16\epsilon^2}}{A} \right)^{-1}, \quad \text{with } A = 1 + 8\epsilon^2 + \sqrt{1-16\epsilon^2}.$$

Algebraic balanced urns



Theorem [M.FI11]

The balanced urns class $\begin{pmatrix} 2\alpha & \beta \\ \alpha & \alpha + \beta \end{pmatrix}$, with $\alpha > 0$, $\beta \geq 0$, has an **algebraic** bivariate generating function.

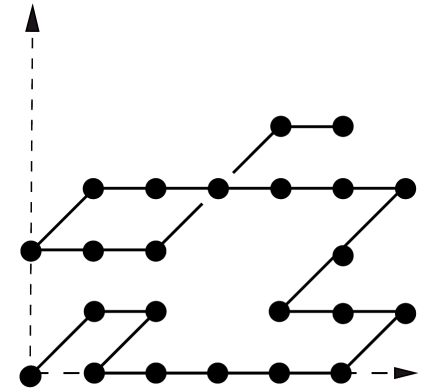
- ▶ Computer algebra **conjectures** and **proves** larger classes of algebraic balanced urns.
- ▶ More in Basile Morcrette's talk!

Gessel's conjecture

- **Gessel walks**: walks in \mathbb{N}^2 using only steps in $\mathcal{S} = \{\nearrow, \swarrow, \leftarrow, \rightarrow\}$
- $g(i, j, n) =$ number of **walks** from $(0, 0)$ to (i, j) with n steps in \mathcal{S}

Question: Nature of the generating function

$$G(x, y, t) = \sum_{i, j, n=0}^{\infty} g(i, j, n) x^i y^j t^n \in \mathbb{Q}[[x, y, t]]$$



► Computer algebra **conjectures** and **proves**:

Theorem [B. & Kauers 2010] $G(x, y, t)$ is an **algebraic function**[†] and













$$G(1, 1, t) = \frac{1}{2t} \cdot {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} -1/12 & 1/4 \\ 2/3 \end{matrix} \middle| -\frac{64t(4t+1)^2}{(4t-1)^4} \right) - \frac{1}{2t}.$$

► A simpler variant as **an exercise tomorrow**.

[†]Minimal polynomial $P(x, y, t, G(x, y, t)) = 0$ has $> 10^{11}$ monomials; $\approx 30\text{Gb}$ (!)

Inverse moment problem for walk sequences [B., Flajolet & Penson 2011]

Question: Given (f_n) , find $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ and $w : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $f_n = \int_I w(t) t^n dt$ ($n \geq 0$).

Step set and walks sequence		GF	Measure $(w(t))$;	t :
A126087	 (1, 1, 3, 5, 15, 29, 87)	$\frac{2z - 1 + \sqrt{1 - 8z^2}}{2z(1 - 3z)}$	$\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\sqrt{8 - t^2}}{3 - t}$	$[-2\sqrt{2}, 2\sqrt{2}]$
A128386	 (1, 1, 4, 7, 28, 58, 232, 523, 2092)	$\frac{2z - 1 + \sqrt{1 - 12z^2}}{2z(1 - 4z)}$	$\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\sqrt{12 - t^2}}{4 - t}$	$[-2\sqrt{3}, 2\sqrt{3}]$
A151282	 (1, 2, 6, 18, 58, 190, 638)	$\frac{3z - 1 + \sqrt{1 - 2z - 7z^2}}{2z(1 - 4z)}$	$\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\sqrt{7 + 2t - t^2}}{4 - t}$	$[1 - 2\sqrt{2}, 1 + 2\sqrt{2}]$
A151292	 (1, 2, 7, 23, 85, 314, 1207, 4682)	$\frac{3z - 1 + \sqrt{1 - 2z - 11z^2}}{2z(1 - 5z)}$	$\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\sqrt{11 + 2t - t^2}}{5 - t}$	$[1 - 2\sqrt{3}, 1 + 2\sqrt{3}]$
A129400	 (1, 2, 8, 32, 144, 672, 3264)	$\frac{1 - 2z - \sqrt{1 - 4z - 12z^2}}{8z^2}$	$\frac{1}{8\pi} \sqrt{(t+2)(6-t)}$	$[-2, 6]$
A151318	 (1, 3, 13, 55, 249, 1131, 5253)	$\frac{5z - 1 + \sqrt{1 - 2z - 15z^2}}{4z(1 - 5z)}$	$\frac{1}{4\pi} \sqrt{\frac{3+t}{5-t}}$	$[-3, 5]$
A060899	 (1, 2, 8, 24, 96, 320, 1280, 4480)	$\frac{4z - 1 + \sqrt{1 - 16z^2}}{4z(1 - 4z)}$	$\frac{1}{4\pi} \sqrt{\frac{4+t}{4-t}}$	$[-4, 4]$
A005773	 (1, 2, 5, 13, 35, 96, 267, 750, 2123)	$\frac{3z - 1 + \sqrt{1 - 2z - 3z^2}}{2z(1 - 3z)}$	$\frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{1+t}{3-t}}$	$[-1, 3]$
A001405	 (1, 1, 2, 3, 6, 10, 20, 35, 70, 126)	$\frac{2z - 1 + \sqrt{1 - 4z^2}}{2z(1 - 2z)}$	$\frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{2+t}{2-t}}$	$[-2, 2]$
A151281	 (1, 2, 6, 16, 48, 136, 408, 1184)	$\frac{4z - 1 + \sqrt{1 - 8z^2}}{4z(1 - 3z)}$	$\frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{\sqrt{8 - t^2}}{3 - t}$	$[-2\sqrt{2}, 2\sqrt{2}]$
A129637	 (1, 3, 11, 41, 157, 607, 2367, 9277)	$\frac{5z - 1 + \sqrt{1 - 2z - 7z^2}}{4z(1 - 4z)}$	$\frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{\sqrt{7 + 2t - t^2}}{4 - t}$	$[1 - 2\sqrt{2}, 1 + 2\sqrt{2}]$
A151323	 (1, 3, 14, 67, 342, 1790, 9580)	$\frac{\sqrt[4]{\frac{1+2z}{1-6z}} - 1}{2z}$	$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}\pi} \sqrt[4]{\frac{2+t}{6-t}}$	$[-2, 6]$

A SIAM Review combinatorial identity

Problem 87-8, by JOHN W. MOON (University of Alberta).

Show that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{56n^2 + 33n - 8}{(n+2)(n+1)} f_n^2 = 1$$

where

$$f_n = \frac{4^{-n}}{n} \binom{2n-2}{n-1} \quad \text{for } n \geq 1.$$

Background. A *branch* of a rooted tree T_n is a maximal subtree that does not contain the root. A branch B with i nodes is a *primary* branch of T_n if $n/2 \leq i \leq n-1$; if T_n has a primary branch B with i nodes, then a branch C with j nodes is a *secondary* branch if $(n-i)/2 \leq j \leq n-1-i$. For many families F of rooted trees, the fraction of trees T_n in F that have a primary branch tends to 1 as $n \rightarrow \infty$. (See A. Meir and J.W. Moon, *On major and minor branches of rooted trees*, *Canad. J. Math.*, 39 (1987) 673-693). It can be shown that the fraction of plane trees T_n that have a secondary branch tends to a limit p as $n \rightarrow \infty$, where

$$p = 3 - 12 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{13n^2 + 5n - 2}{(n+1)(n+2)} f_n^2.$$

If we appeal to the proposed identity then we obtain the more rapidly converging expression

$$p = \frac{3}{14} + \frac{3}{14} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{149n+8}{(n+1)(n+2)} f_n^2$$

from which we find that $p = .59 \dots$

► Computer algebra [conjectures](#) and [proves](#) $p = \frac{28}{15\pi}$.

Monthly (AMM) problems with a combinatorial flavor that can be solved using computer algebra

Expansion of a Symmetric Determinant

E2297 [1971, 543]. *Proposed by Richard Stanley, Harvard University*

Let $L(n)$ be the total number of distinct monomials appearing in the expansion of the determinant of an $n \times n$ symmetric matrix $A = (a_{ij})$. For instance, $L(3) = 5$. Show that

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} L(n)x^n/n! = (1-x)^{-1/2} \exp(\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{4}x^2),$$

where $|x| < 1$, and where we define $L(0) = 1$.

Units of Chains

6342 [1981, 294]. *Proposed by Richard Stanley, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.*

Let $f(n)$ be the number of nonisomorphic n -element partially ordered sets P which do not contain three pairwise incomparable elements. (Equivalently, P is a union of two chains.) Let

$$F(x) = 1 + \sum_{n \geq 1} f(n)x^n = 1 + x + 2x^2 + 4x^3 + 10x^4 + \dots$$

Show that

$$F(x) = \frac{4}{2 - 2x + \sqrt{1 - 4x} + \sqrt{1 - 4x^2}}.$$

Noncrossing Trees

E 3170 [1986, 650]. *Proposed by The Howard University Group, Washington, D.C.*

Construct a graph as follows: Put $n + 1$ labeled vertices around a circle and let the edges be the straight line segments connecting any two vertices. A tree is noncrossing if no two edges intersect except at the vertices. Enumerate the number of noncrossing spanning trees for this graph. For $n = 1, 2, 3$, the numbers are 1, 3, 12, respectively.

An Unexpected Appearance of the Catalan Numbers

10905 [2001, 871]. *Proposed by Richard P. Stanley, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA.* Let $f(n) = \sum_P (-1)^{w(P)}$, where P ranges over all lattice paths in the plane with $2n$ steps, starting and ending at the origin, with steps $(1, 0)$, $(0, 1)$, $(-1, 0)$, $(0, -1)$, and where $w(P)$ denotes the winding number of P with respect to the point $(1/2, 1/2)$. Show that $f(n) = 4^n C_n$, where $C_n = \binom{2n}{n} / (n + 1)$, the n th Catalan number.

Three-dimensional Lattice Walks in the Upper Half-Space

10795 [2000, 367]. *Proposed by Emeric Deutsch, Polytechnic University, Brooklyn, NY.* A 3-dimensional lattice walk of length n takes n successive unit steps, each in one of the six coordinate directions. How many 3-dimensional lattice walks of length n are there that begin at the origin and never go below the horizontal plane?

Another Type of Lattice Path

10658 [1998, 366]. *Proposed by Emeric Deutsch, Polytechnic University, Brooklyn, NY.* Consider walks on the integer lattice in the plane that start at $(0, 0)$, that stay in the first quadrant (they may touch the x -axis), and such that each step is either $(2, 1)$, $(1, 2)$, or $(1, -1)$. For each nonnegative integer n , how many paths are there to $(3n, 0)$?

The First Third

6637 [1990, 621]. *Proposed by Herbert S. Wilf, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.*

Let $f(n)$ be the sum of the first one-third of the coefficients in the expansion of $(1+x)^{3n}$, i.e.,

$$f(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{3n}{k} \quad (n = 0, 1, 2, \dots).$$

Prove that

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f(n) \left(\frac{4u^2}{27} \right)^n = \frac{u}{u - 2 \sin\left(\frac{1}{3} \arcsin u\right)} - \frac{2u}{2u - 3 \sin\left(\frac{1}{3} \arcsin u\right)}.$$

11501. *Proposed by Finbarr Holland, University College Cork, Cork, Ireland. (Correction)* Let

$$g(z) = 1 - \frac{3}{\frac{1}{1-az} + \frac{1}{1-iz} + \frac{1}{1+iz}}.$$

Show that the coefficients in the Taylor series expansion of g about 0 are all nonnegative if and only if $a \geq \sqrt{3}$.

11567. *Proposed by David Callan, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI.* How many arrangements (a_1, \dots, a_{2n}) of the multiset $\{1, 1, 2, 2, \dots, n, n\}$ satisfy the following two conditions: (i) All entries between the two occurrences of any given value i exceed i , and (ii) No three entries increase from left to right with the last two adjacent? (When $n = 3$, one such arrangement is 122133.)

11573. *Proposed by Rob Pratt, SAS Institute, Cary, NC.* A *Sudoku permutation matrix* (SPM) of order n^2 is a permutation matrix of order n^2 with exactly one 1 in each of the n^2 submatrices of order n obtained by partitioning the original matrix into an n -by- n array of submatrices. Thus, for $n = 2$, the permutation 1324 yields an SPM, but the identity permutation 1234 does not. Find the number of SPMs of order n^2 .

11610. *Proposed by Richard P. Stanley, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA.* Let $f(n)$ be the number of binary words $a_1 \cdots a_n$ of length n that have the same number of pairs $a_i a_{i+1}$ equal to 00 as equal to 01. Show that

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f(n)t^n = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{1-t} + \frac{1+2t}{\sqrt{(1-t)(1-2t)(1+t+2t^2)}} \right).$$

► Last one as an exercise tomorrow.

A money changing problem

Question[†]: The number of ways one can change any amount of banknotes of 10 €, 20 €, ... using coins of 50 cents, 1 € and 2 € is always a perfect square.



[†]Free adaptation of Pb. 1, Ch. 1, p. 1, vol. 1 of Pólya and Szegő's Problems Book (1925)

This is equivalent to finding the number M_{20k} of solutions $(a, b, c) \in \mathbb{N}^3$ of

$$a + 2b + 4c = 20k.$$

Euler-Comtet's denumerants: $\sum_{n \geq 0} M_n x^n = \frac{1}{(1-x)(1-x^2)(1-x^4)}.$

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> f:=1/(1-x)/(1-x^2)/(1-x^4):
> S:=series(f,x,201):
> [seq(coeff(S,x,20*k),k=1..10)];
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[36, 121, 256, 441, 676, 961, 1296, 1681, 2116, 2601]

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> subs(n=20*k,gfun[ratpolytocoeff](f,x,n)):
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$$\frac{17}{32} + \frac{(20k+1)(20k+2)}{16} + 5k + \frac{(-1)^{-20k}(20k+1)}{16} + \frac{5(-1)^{-20k}}{32} + \sum_{\alpha^2+1=0} \left(-\frac{(\frac{1}{16} - \frac{1}{16}\alpha)\alpha^{-20k}}{\alpha} \right)$$

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> value(subs(_alpha^(-20*k)=1,%)):
> simplify(%) assuming k::posint:
> factor(%);
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(5 k + 1)

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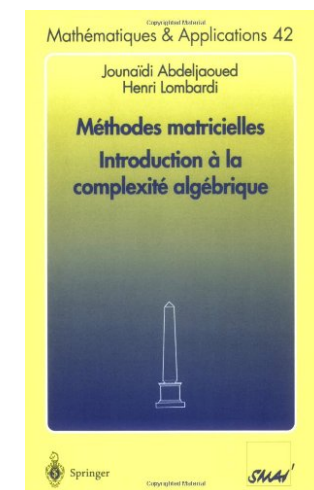
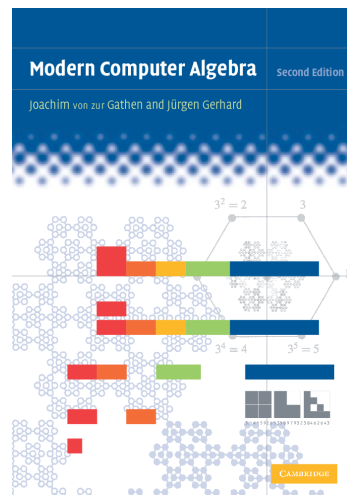
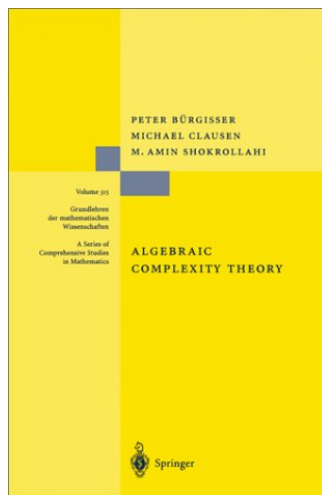
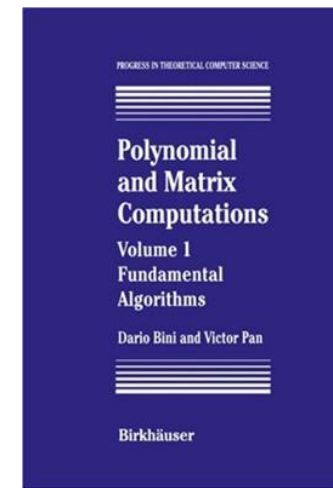
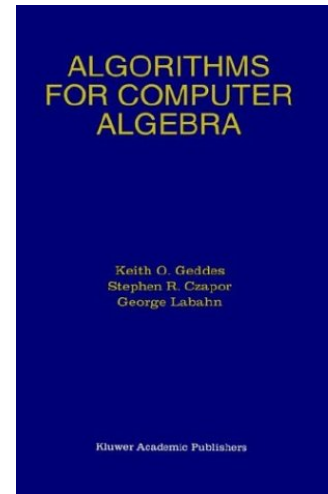
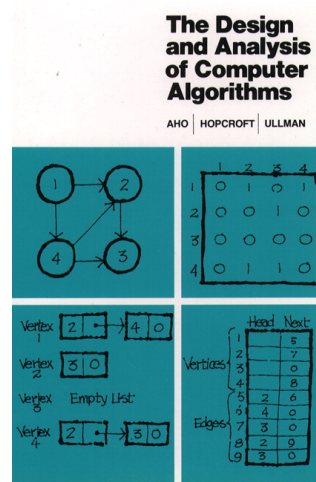
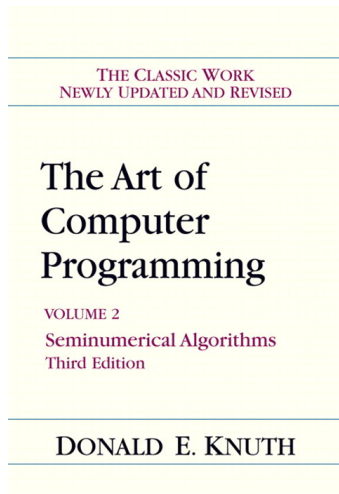
2. Computer Algebra

General framework

Computeralgebra = effectivemathematics *and* algebraiccomplexity

- Effective mathematics: what can we compute?
- their complexity: how fast?

Computer algebra books



Mathematical Objects

- Main objects

- integers \mathbb{Z}
- polynomials $\mathbb{K}[x]$
- rational functions $\mathbb{K}(x)$
- power series $\mathbb{K}[[x]]$
- matrices $\mathcal{M}_r(\mathbb{K})$
- linear recurrences with constant, or polynomial, coefficients $\mathbb{K}[n]\langle S_n \rangle$
- linear differential equations with polynomial coefficients $\mathbb{K}[x]\langle \partial_x \rangle$

where \mathbb{K} is a field (generally supposed of characteristic 0 or large)

- Secondary/auxiliary objects

- polynomial matrices $\mathcal{M}_r(\mathbb{K}[x])$
- power series matrices $\mathcal{M}_r(\mathbb{K}[[x]])$

Overview

Today

1. Introduction
2. High Precision **Approximations**
 - Fast multiplication, binary splitting, Newton iteration
3. Tools for **Conjectures**
 - Hermite-Padé approximants, p -curvature

Tomorrow morning

4. Tools for **Proofs**
 - Symbolic method, resultants, D-finiteness, creative telescoping

Tomorrow night

- Exercises with Maple

HIGH PRECISION

1. Fast Multiplication

Complexity yardsticks

Important features:

- addition is easy: naive algorithm already optimal
- multiplication is the most basic (non-trivial) problem
- almost all problems can be reduced to multiplication

Are there quasi-optimal algorithms for:

- integer/polynomial/power series multiplication?
- matrix multiplication?

Yes!

Big open problem!

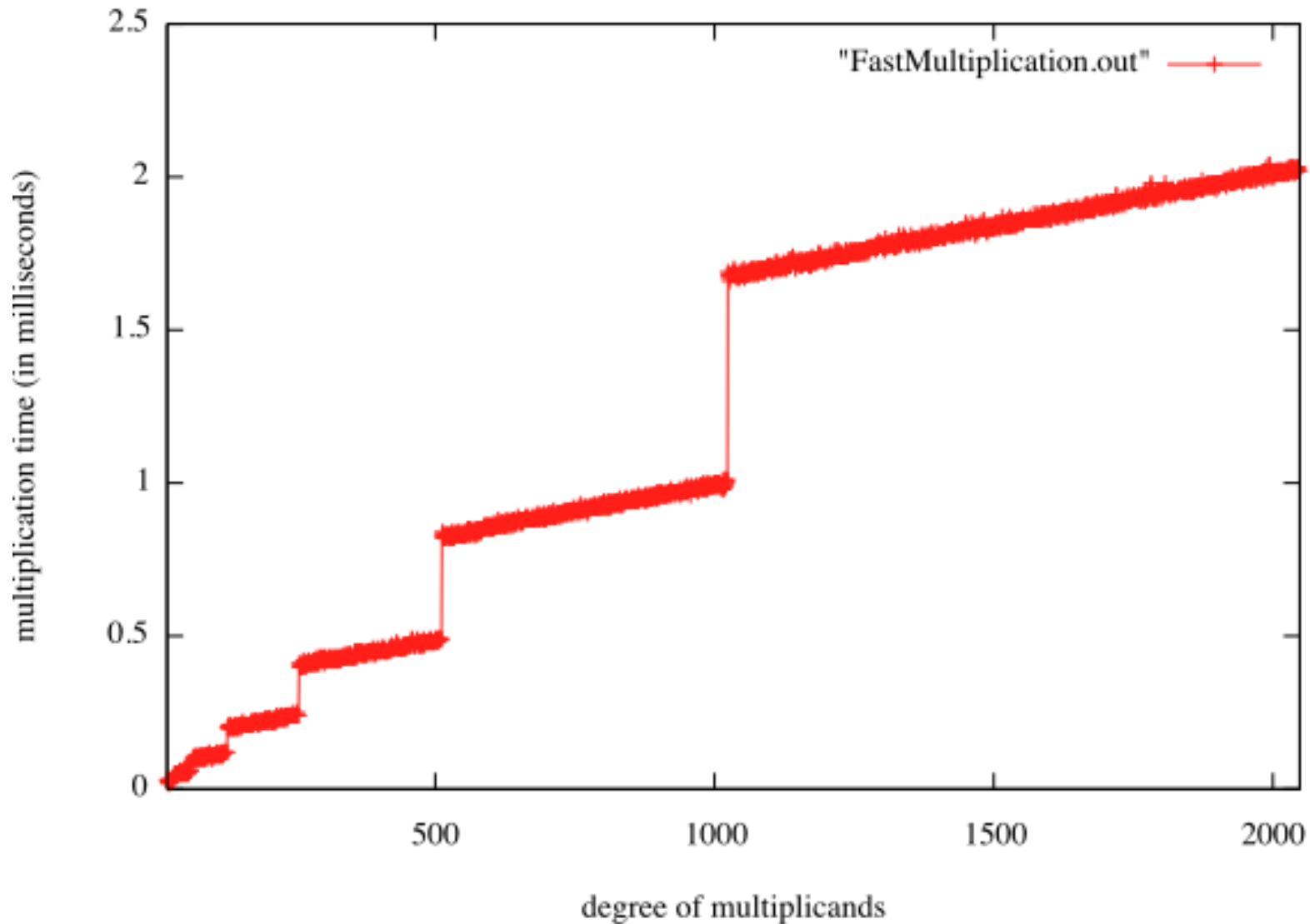
Complexity yardsticks

$M(n)$ = complexity of **multiplication** in $\mathbb{K}[x]_{<n}$, and of n -bit integers
= $O(n^2)$ by the naive algorithm
= $O(n^{1.58})$ by **Karatsuba**'s algorithm
= $O(n^{\log_\alpha(2\alpha-1)})$ by the **Toom-Cook** algorithm ($\alpha \geq 3$)
= $O(n \log n \log \log n)$ by the **Schönhage-Strassen** algorithm

$MM(r)$ = complexity of **matrix product** in $\mathcal{M}_r(\mathbb{K})$
= $O(r^3)$ by the naive algorithm
= $O(r^{2.81})$ by **Strassen**'s algorithm
= $O(r^{2.38})$ by the **Coppersmith-Winograd** algorithm

$MM(r, n)$ = complexity of **polynomial matrix product** in $\mathcal{M}_r(\mathbb{K}[x]_{<n})$
= $O(r^3 M(n))$ by the naive algorithm
= $O(MM(r) n \log(n) + r^2 n \log n \log \log n)$ by the **Cantor-Kaltofen** algo
= $O(MM(r) n + r^2 M(n))$ by the **B-Schost** algorithm

Fast polynomial multiplication in practice



Practical complexity of Magma's multiplication in $\mathbb{F}_p[x]$, for $p = 29 \times 2^{57} + 1$.

What can be computed in 1 minute with a CA system*

polynomial product[†] in degree 14,000,000 (>1 year with schoolbook)

product of two integers with 500,000,000 binary digits

factorial of $N = 20,000,000$ (output of 140,000,000 digits)

gcd of two polynomials of degree 600,000

resultant of two polynomials of degree 40,000

factorization of a univariate polynomial of degree 4,000

factorization of a bivariate polynomial of total degree 500

resultant of two bivariate polynomials of total degree 100 (output 10,000)

product/sum of two algebraic numbers of degree 450 (output 200,000)

determinant (char. polynomial) of a matrix with 4,500 (2,000) rows

determinant of an integer matrix with 32-bit entries and 700 rows

*on a PC, (Intel Xeon X5160, 3GHz processor, with 8GB RAM), running Magma V2.16-7

[†]in $\mathbb{K}[x]$, for $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{F}_{67108879}$

Discrete Fourier Transform

[Gauss 1866, Cooley-Tukey 1965]

DFT Problem: Given $n = 2^k$, $f \in \mathbb{K}[x]_{<n}$, and $\omega \in \mathbb{K}$ a primitive n -th root of unity, compute $(f(1), f(\omega), \dots, f(\omega^{n-1}))$

Idea: Write $f = f_{\text{even}}(x^2) + x f_{\text{odd}}(x^2)$, with $\deg(f_{\text{even}}), \deg(f_{\text{odd}}) < n/2$.

Then $f(\omega^j) = f_{\text{even}}(\omega^{2j}) + \omega^j f_{\text{odd}}(\omega^{2j})$, and $(\omega^{2j})_{0 \leq j < n} = \frac{n}{2}$ -roots of 1.

Complexity: $F(n) = 2 \cdot F(n/2) + O(n) \implies F(n) = O(n \log n)$

Inverse DFT

IDFT Problem: Given $n = 2^k$, $v_0, \dots, v_{n-1} \in \mathbb{K}$ and $\omega \in \mathbb{K}$ a primitive n -th root of unity, compute $f \in \mathbb{K}[x]_{<n}$ such that $f(1) = v_0, \dots, f(\omega^{n-1}) = v_{n-1}$

- $V_\omega \cdot V_{\omega^{-1}} = n \cdot I_n \rightarrow$ performing the **inverse DFT** in size n amounts to:
 - performing a DFT at

$$\frac{1}{1}, \frac{1}{\omega}, \dots, \frac{1}{\omega^{n-1}}$$

- dividing the results by n .
- this new DFT is the same as before:

$$\frac{1}{\omega^i} = \omega^{n-i},$$

so the outputs are just shuffled.

Consequence: the cost of the **inverse DFT** is $O(n \log(n))$

FFT polynomial multiplication

Suppose the basefield \mathbb{K} contains enough roots of unity

To multiply two polynomials f, g in $\mathbb{K}[x]$, of degrees $< n$:

- find $N = 2^k$ such that $h = fg$ has degree less than N $N \leq 4n$
- compute $\text{DFT}(f, N)$ and $\text{DFT}(g, N)$ $O(N \log(N))$
- multiply pointwise these values to get $\text{DFT}(h, N)$ $O(N)$
- recover h by inverse DFT $O(N \log(N))$

Complexity: $O(N \log(N)) = O(n \log(n))$

General case: Create artificial roots of unity $O(n \log(n) \log \log n)$

HIGH PRECISION

2. Binary Splitting

Example: fast factorial

Problem: Compute $N! = 1 \times \cdots \times N$

Naive iterative way: unbalanced multiplicands

$\tilde{O}(N^2)$

- **Binary Splitting:** balance computation sequence so as to take advantage of **fast** multiplication (operands of same sizes):

$$N! = \underbrace{(1 \times \cdots \times \lfloor N/2 \rfloor)}_{\text{size } \frac{1}{2} N \log N} \times \underbrace{((\lfloor N/2 \rfloor + 1) \times \cdots \times N)}_{\text{size } \frac{1}{2} N \log N}$$

and recurse. Complexity $\tilde{O}(N)$.

- Extends to **matrix factorials** $A(N)A(N-1)\cdots A(1)$
→ recurrences of arbitrary order.

$\tilde{O}(N)$

Application to recurrences

Problem: Compute the N -th term u_N of a P -recursive sequence

$$p_r(n)u_{n+r} + \cdots + p_0(n)u_n = 0, \quad (n \in \mathbb{N})$$

Naive algorithm: unroll the recurrence $\tilde{O}(N^2)$ bit ops.

Binary splitting: $U_n = (u_n, \dots, u_{n+r-1})^T$ satisfies the 1st order recurrence

$$U_{n+1} = \frac{1}{p_r(n)} A(n) U_n \quad \text{with} \quad A(n) = \begin{bmatrix} & & & p_r(n) \\ & & & \vdots \\ & & & p_r(n) \\ -p_0(n) & -p_1(n) & \cdots & -p_{r-1}(n) \end{bmatrix}.$$

$\implies u_N$ reads off the **matrix factorial** $A(N-1) \cdots A(0)$

[Chudnovsky-Chudnovsky, 1987]: Binary splitting strategy $\tilde{O}(N)$ bit ops.

Application: fast computation of $e = \exp(1)$

[Brent 1976]

$$e_n = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{1}{k!} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \exp(1) = 2.7182818284590452 \dots$$

Recurrence $e_n - e_{n-1} = 1/n! \iff n(e_n - e_{n-1}) = e_{n-1} - e_{n-2}$ rewrites

$$\begin{bmatrix} e_{N-1} \\ e_N \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{N} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & N \\ -1 & N+1 \end{bmatrix}}_{C(N)} \begin{bmatrix} e_{N-2} \\ e_{N-1} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{N!} C(N)C(N-1) \dots C(1) \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

► e_N in $\tilde{O}(N)$ bit operations [Brent 1976]

► generalizes to the evaluation of any D-finite series at an algebraic number
[Chudnovsky-Chudnovsky 1987] $\tilde{O}(N)$ bit ops.

Implementation in gfun

[Mezzarobba, S. 2010]

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> rec:={n*(e(n) - e(n-1)) = e(n-1) - e(n-2), e(0)=1, e(1)=2};
> pro:=rectoproc(rec,e(n));

pro := proc(n::nonnegint)
local i1, loc0, loc1, loc2, tmp2, tmp1, i2;
  if n <= 22 then
    loc0 := 1;
    loc1 := 2;
    if n = 0 then return loc0
    else for i1 to n - 1 do
      loc2 := (-loc0 + loc1 + loc1*(i1 + 1))/(i1 + 1); loc0 := loc1; loc1 := loc2
    end do
  end if; loc1
else
  tmp1 := 'gfun/rectoproc/binsplit'([
    'ndmatrix'(Matrix([[0, i2 + 2], [-1, i2 + 3]]), i2 + 2), i2, 0, n,
    matrix_ring(ad, pr, ze, ndmatrix(Matrix(2, 2, [[...],[...]],
    datatype = anything, storage = empty, shape = [identity]), 1)),
    expected_entry_size], Vector(2, [...], datatype = anything));
  tmp1 := subs({e(0) = 1, e(1) = 2}, tmp1); tmp1
end if
end proc

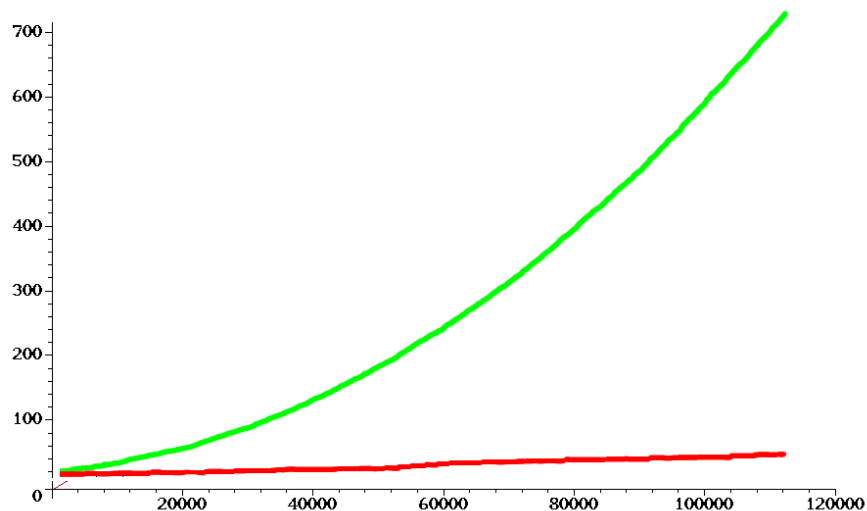
> tt:=time(): x:=pro(50000): time()-tt, evalf(x-exp(1), 200000);
```

1.827, 0.

Application: record computation of π

[Chudnovsky-Chudnovsky 1987] fast convergence hypergeometric identity

$$\frac{1}{\pi} = \frac{1}{53360\sqrt{640320}} \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{(-1)^n (6n)! (13591409 + 545140134n)}{n!^3 (3n)! (8 \cdot 100100025 \cdot 327843840)^n}.$$



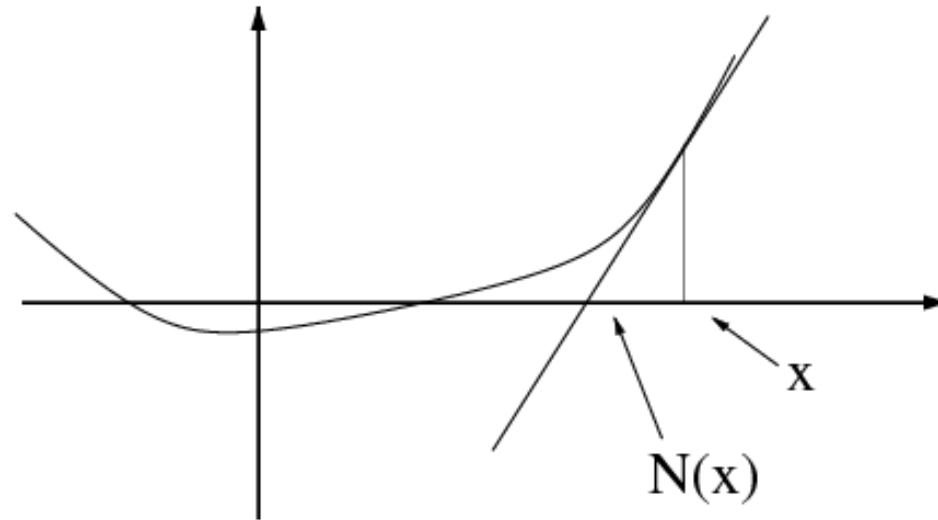
- ▶ **Used in Maple & Mathematica:** 1st order recurrence, yields 14 correct digits per iteration \longrightarrow 4 billion digits [Chudnovsky-Chudnovsky 1994]
- ▶ **Current record on a PC:** 10000 billion digits [Kondo & Yee 2011]

HIGH PRECISION

3. Newton Iteration

Newton's tangent method: real case

[Newton, 1671]



$$x_{\kappa+1} = \mathcal{N}(x_{\kappa}) = x_{\kappa} - (x_{\kappa}^2 - 2)/(2x_{\kappa}), \quad x_0 = 1$$

$$x_1 = 1.50000000000000000000000000000000$$

$$x_2 = 1.41666666666666666666666666666667$$

$$x_3 = 1.4142156862745098039215686274510$$

$$x_4 = 1.4142135623746899106262955788901$$

$$x_5 = 1.4142135623730950488016896235025$$

Newton's tangent method: power series case

$$x_{\kappa+1} = \mathcal{N}(x_{\kappa}) = x_{\kappa} - (x_{\kappa}^2 - (1 - t))/(2x_{\kappa}), \quad x_0 = 1$$

$$x_1 = 1 - \frac{1}{2}t$$

$$x_2 = 1 - \frac{1}{2}t - \frac{1}{8}t^2 - \frac{1}{16}t^3 - \frac{1}{32}t^4 - \frac{1}{64}t^5 - \frac{1}{128}t^6 - \frac{1}{256}t^7 - \frac{1}{512}t^8 - \frac{1}{1024}t^9 + \dots$$

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Newton's tangent method: power series case

In order to solve $\varphi(x, g) = 0$ in $\mathbb{K}[[x]]$ (where $\varphi \in \mathbb{K}[[x, y]]$, $\varphi(0, 0) = 0$ and $\varphi_y(0, 0) \neq 0$), iterate

$$g_{\kappa+1} = g_{\kappa} - \frac{\varphi(g_{\kappa})}{\varphi_y(g_{\kappa})} \bmod x^{2^{\kappa+1}}$$

$$g - g_{\kappa+1} = g - g_{\kappa} + \frac{\varphi(g) + (g_{\kappa} - g)\varphi_y(g) + O((g - g_{\kappa})^2)}{\varphi_y(g) + O(g - g_{\kappa})} = O((g - g_{\kappa})^2).$$

- ▶ The number of correct coefficients **doubles** after each iteration
- ▶ **Total cost** = **2** × (the cost of the **last** iteration)

Theorem [Cook 1966, Sieveking 1972 & Kung 1974, Brent 1975]

Division, logarithm and exponential of power series in $\mathbb{K}[[x]]$ can be computed at precision N using $O(M(N))$ operations in \mathbb{K}

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[Sieveking1972, Kung1974, Brent1975]

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$$g_0 = 1/f_0 \quad \text{and} \quad g_{\kappa+1} = g_{\kappa} + g_{\kappa}(1 - fg_{\kappa}) \quad \text{mod } x^{2^{\kappa+1}} \quad \text{for } \kappa \geq 0.$$

Complexity: $C(N) = C(N/2) + O(M(N)) \quad \implies \quad C(N) = O(M(N))$

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Corollary: Exponential $\exp(f) = \sum_{i \geq 0} \frac{f^i}{i!}$ of $f \in x\mathbb{K}[[x]]$. Use $\phi(g) = \log(g) - f$:

$$g_0 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad g_{\kappa+1} = g_{\kappa} - g_{\kappa}(\log(g_{\kappa}) - f) \quad \text{mod } x^{2^{\kappa+1}} \quad \text{for } \kappa \geq 0.$$

Complexity: $C(N) = C(N/2) + O(M(N)) \implies C(N) = O(M(N))$

Application: Euclidean division for polynomials

[Strassen, 1973]

Pb: Given $F, G \in \mathbb{K}[x]_{\leq N}$, compute (Q, R) in **Euclidean division** $F = QG + R$

Naive algorithm:

$O(N^2)$

Idea: look at $F = QG + R$ **from infinity**: $Q \sim_{+\infty} F/G$

Let $N = \deg(F)$ and $n = \deg(G)$. Then $\deg(Q) = N - n$, $\deg(R) < n$ and

$$\underbrace{F(1/x)x^N}_{\text{rev}(F)} = \underbrace{G(1/x)x^n}_{\text{rev}(G)} \cdot \underbrace{Q(1/x)x^{N-n}}_{\text{rev}(Q)} + \underbrace{R(1/x)x^{\deg(R)}}_{\text{rev}(R)} \cdot x^{N-\deg(R)}$$

Algorithm:

- Compute $\text{rev}(Q) = \text{rev}(F)/\text{rev}(G) \pmod{x^{N-n+1}}$ $O(M(N))$
- Recover Q $O(N)$
- Deduce $R = F - QG$ $O(M(N))$

Application: conversion coefficients \leftrightarrow power sums

[Schönhage, 1982]

Any polynomial $F = x^n + a_1x^{n-1} + \dots + a_n$ in $\mathbb{K}[x]$ can be represented by its first n power sums $S_i = \sum_{F(\alpha)=0} \alpha^i$

Conversions **coefficients \leftrightarrow power sums** can be performed

- either in $O(n^2)$ using **Newton identities** (naive way):

$$ia_i + S_1a_{i-1} + \dots + S_i = 0, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

- or in $O(M(n))$ using **generating series**

$$\frac{\text{rev}(F)'}{\text{rev}(F)} = - \sum_{i \geq 0} S_{i+1} x^i \iff \text{rev}(F) = \exp \left(- \sum_{i \geq 1} \frac{S_i}{i} x^i \right)$$

Application: special bivariate resultants

[B-Flajolet-S-Schost, 2006]

Composed products and sums: manipulation of algebraic numbers

$$F \otimes G = \prod_{F(\alpha)=0, G(\beta)=0} (x - \alpha\beta), \quad F \oplus G = \prod_{F(\alpha)=0, G(\beta)=0} (x - (\alpha + \beta))$$

Output size:

$$N = \deg(F) \deg(G)$$

Linear algebra: χ_{xy}, χ_{x+y} in $\mathbb{K}[x, y]/(F(x), G(y))$

$$O(\text{MM}(N))$$

Resultants: $\text{Res}_y (F(y), y^{\deg(G)} G(x/y))$, $\text{Res}_y (F(y), G(x - y))$

$$O(N^{1.5})$$

Better: \otimes and \oplus are easy in Newton representation

$$O(\text{M}(N))$$

$$\sum \alpha^s \sum \beta^s = \sum (\alpha\beta)^s \quad \text{and}$$
$$\sum \frac{\sum (\alpha + \beta)^s}{s!} x^s = \left(\sum \frac{\sum \alpha^s}{s!} x^s \right) \left(\sum \frac{\sum \beta^s}{s!} x^s \right)$$

Corollary: Fast polynomial shift $P(x + a) = P(x) \oplus (x + a)$

$$O(\text{M}(\deg(P)))$$

Newton iteration on power series: operators and systems

In order to solve an equation $\phi(Y) = 0$, with $\phi : (\mathbb{K}[[x]])^r \rightarrow (\mathbb{K}[[x]])^r$,

1. **Linearize**: $\phi(Y_\kappa - U) = \phi(Y_\kappa) - D\phi|_{Y_\kappa} \cdot U + O(U^2)$,
where $D\phi|_Y$ is the differential of ϕ at Y .
2. **Iterate**: $Y_{\kappa+1} = Y_\kappa - U_{\kappa+1}$, where $U_{\kappa+1}$ is found by
3. **Solve linear** equation: $D\phi|_{Y_\kappa} \cdot U = \phi(Y_\kappa)$ with $\text{val } U > 0$.

Then, the sequence Y_κ **converges quadratically** to the solution Y .

Application: inversion of power series matrices

[Schulz, 1933]

To compute the inverse Z of a matrix of power series $Y \in \mathcal{M}_r(\mathbb{K}[[x]])$:

- Choose the map $\phi : Z \mapsto I - YZ$ with differential $D\phi|_Y : U \mapsto -YU$
- Equation for U : $-YU = I - YZ_\kappa \pmod{x^{2^{\kappa+1}}}$
- Solution: $U = -Y^{-1}(I - YZ_\kappa) = -Z_\kappa(I - YZ_\kappa) \pmod{x^{2^{\kappa+1}}}$

This yields the following Newton-type iteration for Y^{-1}

$$Z_{\kappa+1} = Z_\kappa + Z_\kappa(I_r - YZ_\kappa) \pmod{x^{2^{\kappa+1}}}$$

Complexity:

$$C_{\text{inv}}(N) = C_{\text{inv}}(N/2) + O(\text{MM}(r, N)) \quad \Longrightarrow \quad C_{\text{inv}}(N) = O(\text{MM}(r, N))$$

Application: non-linear systems

In order to solve a system $Y = H(Y) = \phi(Y) + Y$, with $H : (\mathbb{K}[[x]])^r \rightarrow (\mathbb{K}[[x]])^r$, such that $I_r - \partial H/\partial Y$ is invertible at 0.

1. **Linearize:** $\phi(Y_\kappa - U) - \phi(Y_\kappa) = U - \partial H/\partial Y(Y_\kappa) \cdot U + O(U^2)$.
2. **Iterate** $Y_{\kappa+1} = Y_\kappa - U_{\kappa+1}$, where $U_{\kappa+1}$ is found by
3. **Solve linear** equation: $(I_r - \partial H/\partial Y(Y_\kappa)) \cdot U = H(Y_\kappa) - Y_\kappa$ with $\text{val } U > 0$.

This yields the following Newton-type iteration:

$$\begin{cases} Z_{\kappa+1} &= Z_\kappa + Z_\kappa(I_r - (I_r - \partial H/\partial Y(Y_\kappa))Z_\kappa) \pmod{x^{2^{\kappa+1}}} \\ Y_{\kappa+1} &= Y_\kappa - Z_{\kappa+1}(H(Y_\kappa) - Y_\kappa) \pmod{x^{2^{\kappa+1}}} \end{cases}$$

computing simultaneously a matrix and a vector.

Example: Mappings

- > mappings := {M=Set(Cycle(Tree)), Tree=Prod(Z, Set(Tree))}:
- > combstruct [gfeqns] (mappings, labeled, x);

$$[M(x) = \frac{1}{1 - Tree(x)}, \quad Tree(x) = x \exp(Tree(x))]$$

- > countmappings := SeriesNewtonIteration(mappings, labelled, x):
- > countmappings(10);

$$\left[M = 1 + x + 2x^2 + \frac{9}{2}x^3 + \frac{32}{3}x^4 + \frac{625}{24}x^5 + \frac{324}{5}x^6 \right. \\ \left. + \frac{117649}{720}x^7 + \frac{131072}{315}x^8 + \frac{4782969}{4480}x^9 + O(x^{10}), \right. \\ \left. Tree = x + x^2 + \frac{3}{2}x^3 + \frac{8}{3}x^4 + \frac{125}{24}x^5 + \frac{54}{5}x^6 + \right. \\ \left. \frac{16807}{720}x^7 + \frac{16384}{315}x^8 + \frac{531441}{4480}x^9 + O(x^{10}) \right]$$

Code Pivoteau-S-Soria, should end up in combstruct

Application: quasi-exponential of power series matrices

[B-Chyzak-Ollivier-Salvy-Schost-Sedoglavic 2007]

To compute the solution $Y \in \mathcal{M}_r(\mathbb{K}[[x]])$ of the system $Y' = AY$

- choose the map $\phi : Y \mapsto Y' - AY$, with differential ϕ .
- the equation for U is $U' - AU = Y'_\kappa - AY_\kappa \pmod{x^{2^{\kappa+1}}}$
- the method of variation of constants yields the solution $U = Y_\kappa V_\kappa \pmod{x^{2^{\kappa+1}}}$, $Y'_\kappa - AY_\kappa = Y_\kappa V'_\kappa \pmod{x^{2^{\kappa+1}}}$

This yields the following Newton-type iteration for Y :

$$Y_{\kappa+1} = Y_\kappa - Y_\kappa \int Y_\kappa^{-1} (Y'_\kappa - AY_\kappa) \pmod{x^{2^{\kappa+1}}}$$

Complexity:

$$C_{\text{solve}}(N) = C_{\text{solve}}(N/2) + O(\text{MM}(r, N)) \quad \Longrightarrow \quad C_{\text{solve}}(N) = O(\text{MM}(r, N))$$

TOOLS FOR CONJECTURES

1. Hermite-Padé Approximants

Definition

Definition: Given a column vector $\mathbf{F} = (f_1, \dots, f_n)^T \in \mathbb{K}[[x]]^n$ and an n -tuple $\mathbf{d} = (d_1, \dots, d_n) \in \mathbb{N}^n$, a **Hermite-Padé approximant of type \mathbf{d} for \mathbf{F}** is a row vector $\mathbf{P} = (P_1, \dots, P_n) \in \mathbb{K}[x]^n$, ($\mathbf{P} \neq 0$), such that:

- (1) $\mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{F} = P_1 f_1 + \dots + P_n f_n = O(x^\sigma)$ with $\sigma = \sum_i (d_i + 1) - 1$,
- (2) $\deg(P_i) \leq d_i$ for all i .

σ is called the **order** of the approximant \mathbf{P} .

- Very useful concept in number theory (transcendence theory):
- [[Hermite, 1873](#)]: e is transcendent.
 - [[Lindemann, 1882](#)]: π is transcendent, and so does e^α for any $\alpha \in \overline{\mathbb{Q}} \setminus \{0\}$.
 - [[Beukers, 1981](#)]: reformulate Apéry's proof that $\zeta(3) = \sum_n \frac{1}{n^3}$ is irrational.
 - [[Rivoal, 2000](#)]: there exist an infinite number of k such that $\zeta(2k + 1) \notin \mathbb{Q}$.

Worked example

Let us compute a Hermite-Padé approximant of **type (1, 1, 1)** for $(1, C, C^2)$, where $C(x) = 1 + x + 2x^2 + 5x^3 + 14x^4 + 42x^5 + O(x^6)$.

This boils down to finding $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \beta_0, \beta_1, \gamma_0, \gamma_1$ such that

$$\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x + (\beta_0 + \beta_1 x)(1 + x + 2x^2 + 5x^3 + 14x^4) + (\gamma_0 + \gamma_1 x)(1 + 2x + 5x^2 + 14x^3 + 42x^4) = O(x^5).$$

By identifying coefficients, this is equivalent to a homogeneous linear system:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 5 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 2 & 14 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 14 & 5 & 42 & 14 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_0 \\ \alpha_1 \\ \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \gamma_0 \\ \gamma_1 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \iff \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 2 & 14 \\ 0 & 0 & 14 & 5 & 42 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_0 \\ \alpha_1 \\ \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \gamma_0 \end{bmatrix} = -\gamma_1 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 5 \\ 14 \end{bmatrix}.$$

By homogeneity, one can choose $\gamma_1 = 1$. Then, the **violet minor** shows that one can take $(\beta_0, \beta_1, \gamma_0) = (-1, 0, 0)$. The other values are $\alpha_0 = 1, \alpha_1 = 0$.

Thus the approximant is $(1, -1, x)$, which corresponds to $P = 1 - y + xy^2$ such that $P(x, C(x)) = 0 \pmod{x^5}$.

Algebraic and differential approximation = guessing

- Hermite-Padé approximants of $n = 2$ power series are related to Padé approximants, i.e. to approximation of series by rational functions
- algebraic approximants = Hermite-Padé approximants for $f_\ell = A^{\ell-1}$, where $A \in \mathbb{K}[[x]]$ seriestoalgeq, listtoalgeq
- differential approximants = Hermite-Padé approximants for $f_\ell = A^{(\ell-1)}$, where $A \in \mathbb{K}[[x]]$ seriestodiffeq, listtodiffeq

> listtoalgeq([1,1,2,5,14,42,132,429],y(x));

$$[1 - y(x) + x y(x)^2, \text{ogf}]$$

> listtodiffeq([1,1,2,5,14,42,132,429],y(x));

$$[\{-2 y(x) + (2 - 4 x) \frac{d}{dx} y(x) + x \frac{d^2}{dx^2} y(x)\}, y(0) = 1, D(y)(0) = 1], \text{egf}]$$

Existence and naive computation

Theorem For any vector $\mathbf{F} = (f_1, \dots, f_n)^T \in \mathbb{K}[[x]]^n$ and for any n -tuple $\mathbf{d} = (d_1, \dots, d_n) \in \mathbb{N}^n$, there exists a **Hermite-Padé approximant of type \mathbf{d} for \mathbf{F}** .

Proof: The undetermined coefficients of $P_i = \sum_{j=0}^{d_i} p_{i,j} x^j$ satisfy a linear homogeneous system with $\sigma = \sum_i (d_i + 1) - 1$ equations and $\sigma + 1$ unknowns.

Corollary Computation in $O(\text{MM}(\sigma)) = O(\sigma^\theta)$, for $2 \leq \theta \leq 3$.

► There are better algorithms:

- The linear system is **structured** (Sylvester-like / quasi-Toeplitz)
- **Derksen's algorithm** (Gaussian-like elimination) $O(\sigma^2)$
- **Beckermann-Labahn's algorithm** (DAC) $\tilde{O}(\sigma) = O(\sigma \log^2 \sigma)$

Quasi-optimal computation

Theorem [Beckermann-Labahn, 1994] One can compute a Hermite-Padé approximant of type (d, \dots, d) for $\mathbf{F} = (f_1, \dots, f_n)$ in $O(\text{MM}(n, d) \log(nd))$.

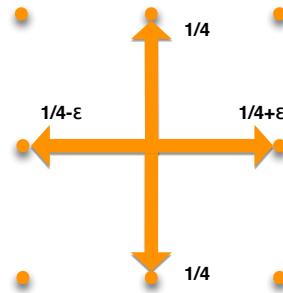
Ideas:

- Compute a whole matrix of approximants
- Exploit divide-and-conquer

Algorithm:

1. If $\sigma = n(d + 1) - 1 \leq \text{threshold}$, call the naive algorithm
 2. Else:
 - (a) recursively compute $\mathbf{P}_1 \in \mathbb{K}[x]^{n \times n}$ s.t. $\mathbf{P}_1 \cdot \mathbf{F} = O(x^{\sigma/2})$, $\deg(\mathbf{P}_1) \approx \frac{d}{2}$
 - (b) compute “residue” \mathbf{R} such that $\mathbf{P}_1 \cdot \mathbf{F} = x^{\sigma/2} \cdot (\mathbf{R} + O(x^{\sigma/2}))$
 - (c) recursively compute $\mathbf{P}_2 \in \mathbb{K}[x]^{n \times n}$ s.t. $\mathbf{P}_2 \cdot \mathbf{R} = O(x^{\sigma/2})$, $\deg(\mathbf{P}_2) \approx \frac{d}{2}$
 - (d) return $\mathbf{P} := \mathbf{P}_2 \cdot \mathbf{P}_1$
- The precise choices of degrees is a delicate issue
- Gcd, extended gcd, Padé approximants in $O(\text{M}(n) \log n)$

Example: Flea from SIAM 100-Digit Challenge



```
> proba:=proc(i,j,n,c)
option remember;
  if abs(i)+abs(j)>n then 0
  elif n=0 then 1
  else
    expand(proba(i-1,j,n-1,c)*(1/4+c)+proba(i+1,j,n-1,c)*(1/4-c)
    +proba(i,j+1,n-1,c)*1/4+proba(i,j-1,n-1,c)*1/4)
  fi
end:
> seq(proba(0,0,k,c),k=0..6);
1, 0,  $\frac{1}{4} - 2c^2$ , 0,  $\frac{9}{64} - \frac{9}{4}c^2 + 6c^4$ , 0,  $\frac{25}{256} - \frac{75}{32}c^2 + 15c^4 - 20c^6$ 
> gfun:-listtodiffeq([seq(proba(0,0,2*k,c),k=0..20)],y(x));
```

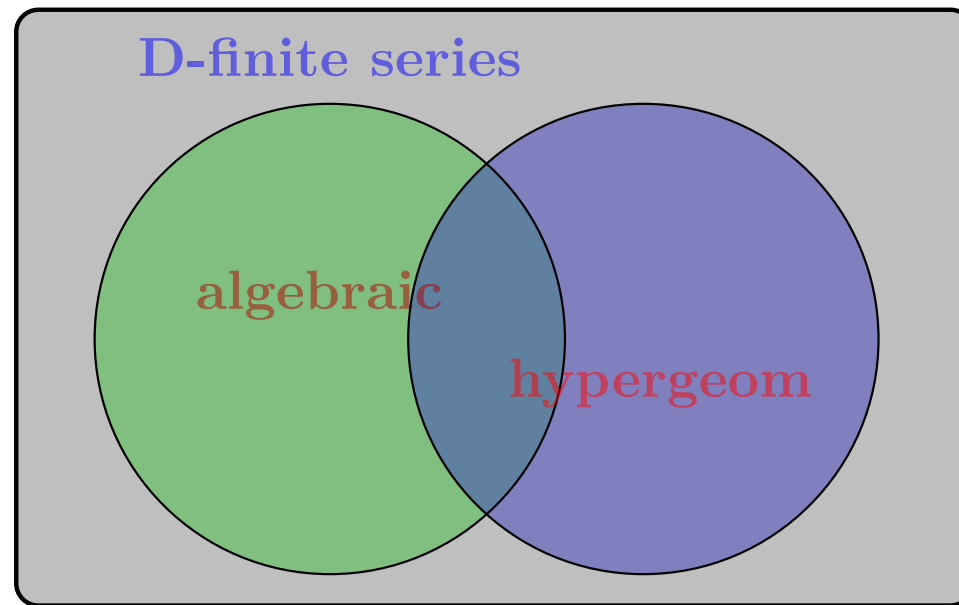
$$\begin{aligned}
& [\{ (-1 + 8c^2 + 48xc^4) y(x) + (4 - 8x + 64xc^2 + 192x^2c^4) \frac{d}{dx} y(x) \\
& \quad + (4x + 64x^3c^4 - 4x^2 + 32x^2c^2) \frac{d^2}{dx^2} y(x), \\
& \quad y(0) = 1, D(y)(0) = 1/4 - 2c^2 \}, ogf]
\end{aligned}$$

Next steps: `dsolve (+ help)` and evaluation at $x = 1$.

TOOLS FOR CONJECTURES

2. p -Curvature of Differential Operators

Important classes of power series



Algebraic: $S(x) \in \mathbb{K}[[x]]$ root of a polynomial $P \in \mathbb{K}[x, y]$.

D-finite: $S(x) \in \mathbb{K}[[x]]$ satisfying a **linear differential equation with polynomial (or rational function) coefficients** $c_r(x)S^{(r)}(x) + \cdots + c_0(x)S(x) = 0$.

Hypergeometric: $S(x) = \sum_n s_n x^n$ such that $\frac{s_{n+1}}{s_n} \in \mathbb{K}(n)$. E.g.

$${}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} a & b \\ c \end{matrix} \middle| x \right) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n (b)_n}{(c)_n} \frac{x^n}{n!}, \quad (a)_n = a(a+1) \cdots (a+n-1).$$

Linear differential operators

Definition: If \mathbb{K} is a field, $\mathbb{K}\langle x, \partial; \partial x = x\partial + 1 \rangle$, or simply $\mathbb{K}(x)\langle \partial \rangle$, denotes the associative algebra of linear differential operators with coefficients in $\mathbb{K}(x)$.

$\mathbb{K}[x]\langle \partial \rangle$ is called the **(rational) Weyl algebra**. It is the **algebraic formalization** of the notion of linear differential equation with rational function coefficients:

$$a_r(x)y^{(r)}(x) + \cdots + a_1(x)y'(x) + a_0(x)y(x) = 0$$

$$\iff$$

$$L(y) = 0, \quad \text{where} \quad L = a_r(x)\partial^r + \cdots + a_1(x)\partial + a_0(x)$$

The commutation rule $\partial x = x\partial + 1$ formalizes Leibniz's rule $(fg)' = f'g + fg'$.

► Implementation in the DEtools package: **diffop2de**, **de2diffop**, **mult**

```
DEtools[mult](Dx, x, [Dx, x]);
```

```
  x Dx + 1
```

Weyl algebra is Euclidean

Theorem [Libri 1833, Brassinne 1864, Wedderburn 1932, Ore 1932]

$\mathbb{K}(x)\langle\partial\rangle$ is a non-commutative (left and right) **Euclidean domain**: for any $A, B \in \mathbb{K}(x)\langle\partial\rangle$, there exist unique operators $Q, R \in \mathbb{K}(x)\langle\partial\rangle$ such that

$$A = QB + R, \quad \text{and} \quad \deg_{\partial}(R) < \deg_{\partial}(B).$$

This is called the **Euclidean right division** of A by B .

Moreover, any $A, B \in \mathbb{K}(x)\langle\partial\rangle$ admit a **greatest common right divisor (GCRD)** and a **least common left multiple (LCLM)**. They can be computed by a non-commutative version of the extended Euclidean algorithm.

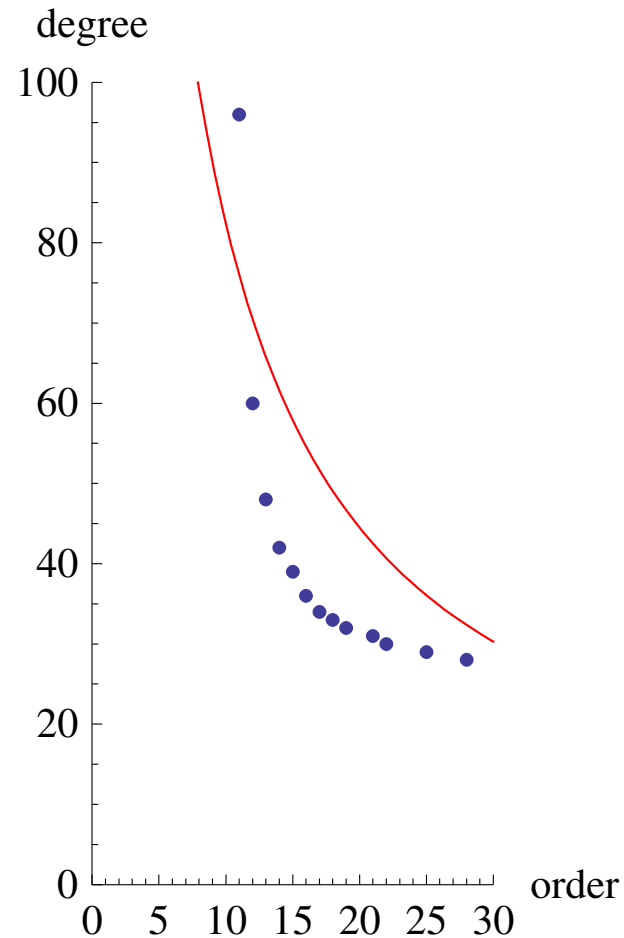
► **rightdivision, GCRD, LCLM** from the DEtools package

```
> rightdivision(Dx^10, Dx^2-x, [Dx, x]) [2];
```

$$(20x^3 + 80) Dx + 100x^2 + x^5$$

proves that $Ai^{(10)}(x) = (20x^3 + 80)Ai'(x) + (100x^2 + x^5)Ai(x)$

Application to differential guessing



1000 terms of a series are enough to guess candidate differential equations below the red curve. GCRD of candidates could jump above the red curve.

The Grothendieck–Katz p -curvatures conjecture

Q: when does a differential equation possess a basis of **algebraic solutions**?

E.g. for the Gauss hypergeometric equation $x(1-x)\partial^2 + (\gamma - (\alpha + \beta + 1)x)\partial - \alpha\beta x$, **Schwarz's list (1873)** classifies algebraic ${}_2F_1$'s in terms of α, β, γ

Conjecture [Grothendieck, 1960's, unpublished; Katz, 1972]

Let $A \in \mathbb{Q}(x)^{n \times n}$. The system **(S) : $y' = Ay$** has a full set of algebraic solutions if and only if, for almost all prime numbers p , the system **(S_p)** defined by reduction of **(S)** modulo p has a full set of algebraic solutions over $\mathbb{F}_p(x)$.

Definition: The **p -curvature of (S)** is the matrix A_p , where

$$A_0 = I_n, \quad \text{and} \quad A_{\ell+1} = A'_\ell + A_\ell A \quad \text{for} \quad \ell \geq 0.$$

Theorem [Cartier, 1957]

The sufficient condition of the **G.-K. Conjecture** is equivalent to $A_p = 0 \pmod{p}$.

► For each p , this can be checked algorithmically.

Grothendieck's conjecture

Q: when does a differential equation possess a basis of algebraic solutions?

For a scalar differential equation, the **G.-K. Conjecture** can be reformulated:

Grothendieck's Conjecture: Suppose $L \in \mathbb{K}(x)\langle\partial\rangle$ is irreducible. The equation **(E) : $L(y) = 0$** has a basis of **algebraic solutions** if and only if, for almost all prime numbers p , the operator L **right-divides ∂^p modulo p** .

- ▶ For each p , this can be checked algorithmically.
- ▶ Conjecture is proved for **Picard-Fuchs equations** [Katz 1972] (in particular, for **diagonals** [Christol 1984]), for ${}_nF_{n-1}$ equations [Beukers & Heckman 1989].

Grothendieck's conjecture for combinatorics

Suppose that we have guessed a linear differential equation $L(f) = 0$ (by differential Hermite-Padé approximation) for some power series $f \in \mathbb{Q}[[x]]$, and that we want to recognize whether f is algebraic or not.

Recipe 1: try algebraic guessing.

Recipe 2: For several primes p , compute p -curvatures mod p , and check whether they are zero; equivalently, test if $\partial^p \bmod L = 0 \pmod{p}$.

► For many power series coming from counting problems (diagonals, constant terms, integrals of algebraic functions, ...) Grothendieck's conjecture is true.

Grothendieck's conjecture at work

Chebychev in his work on the distribution of primes numbers used the following fact

$$u_n := \frac{(30n)!n!}{(15n)!(10n)!(6n)!} \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

This is not immediately obvious (for example, this ratio of factorials is not a product of multinomial coefficients) but it is not hard to prove. The only proof I know proceeds by checking that the valuations $v_p(u_n)$ are non-negative for every prime p ; an interpretation of u_n as counting natural objects or being dimensions of natural vector spaces is far from clear.

As it turns out, the generating function

$$u := \sum_{\nu \geq 1} u_n \lambda^n$$

is algebraic over $\mathbb{Q}(\lambda)$; i.e. there is a polynomial $F \in \mathbb{Z}[x, y]$ such that

$$F(\lambda, u(\lambda)) = 0.$$

However, we are not likely to see this polynomial explicitly any time soon as its degree is 483,840 (!)

(excerpt from Rodriguez-Villegas's "Integral ratios of factorials")

- ▶ Algebraicity of u can be however guessed using any prior knowledge, by computing p -curvatures of the (minimal) order-8 operator L s.t. $L(u) = 0$
- ▶ For $p < 300$, they are all zero, except when $p \in \{11, 13, 17, 19, 23\}$

G -series and global nilpotence

Definition: A power series $\sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{a_n}{b_n} x^n$ in $\mathbb{Q}[[x]]$ is called a G -series if it is
(a) D-finite; (b) analytic at $x = 0$; (c) $\exists C > 0, \text{lcm}(b_0, \dots, b_n) \leq C^n$.

Basic examples: (1) algebraic functions [Eisenstein 1852]

(2) $-\log(1 - x) = \sum_{n \geq 1} x^n/n$ ([Chebyshev 1852] $\text{lcm}(1, 2, \dots, n) \leq 4^n$)

(3) ${}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma \end{matrix} \middle| x \right), \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{Q}$

(4) OGF of any P -recursive, integer-valued, exponentially bounded, sequence

Theorem [Chudnovsky 1985] The minimal-order linear differential operator annihilating a G -series is **globally nilpotent**: for almost all prime numbers p , it right-divides $\partial^{p\mu}$ modulo p , for some $\mu \leq \deg_{\partial} L$.

(this condition is equivalent to the **nilpotence** mod p of the p -curvature matrix)

Examples: algebraic resolvents; Gauss's $x(1 - x)\partial^2 + (\gamma - (\alpha + \beta + 1)x)\partial - \alpha\beta x$.

Global nilpotence for combinatorics

Suppose we have guessed (by differential approximation) a linear differential equation $L(f) = 0$ for a power series $f \in \mathbb{Q}[[x]]$ which is a G -series (typically, the OGF of a P -recursive, integer-valued, exponentially bounded, sequence).

A way to **empirically certify** that L is very plausible:

Recipe: compute p -curvatures mod p , and check whether they are nilpotent; equivalently, test if $\partial^{pr} \bmod L = 0 \pmod{p}$, where $r = \deg_{\partial} L$

Example:

```
> L:=x^2*(64*x^4+40*x^3-30*x^2-5*x+1)*Dx^3+
  x*(576*x^4+200*x^3-252*x^2-33*x+5)*Dx^2+
  4*(1+288*x^4+22*x^3-117*x^2-12*x)*Dx+384*x^3-12-144*x-72*x^2:
> p:=7; for j to 3 do N:=rightdivision(Dx^(3*p),L,[Dx,x])[2] mod p;
  p:=nextprime(p); print(p, N); od:
```

11, 0

13, 0

17, 0

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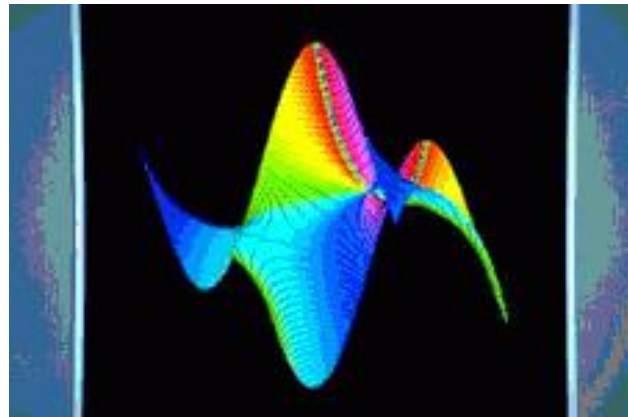
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TOOLS FOR PROOFS

1. Symbolic Method

Language

Context-free grammars (**UNION**, **PROD**, **SEQUENCE**), plus **SET**, **CYCLE**.

Origins: [Pólya37, Joyal81,...]

Labelled and unlabelled universes.

Examples:

Binary trees

$$B = \text{UNION}(Z, \text{PROD}(B, B))$$

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Irreducible polynomials mod p

$$P = \text{SET}(\text{Irred}), P = \text{SEQUENCE}(\text{Coeff}).$$

Aim: a complete library for enumeration, random generation, generating functions of structures “defined” like this (`combstruct`).

Generating Function Dictionary

Definition: Exponential and Ordinary Generating Functions of a class \mathcal{A} :

$$A(x) = \sum_{n \geq 0} A_n \frac{x^n}{n!}, \quad \tilde{A}(x) = \sum_{n \geq 0} \tilde{A}_n x^n,$$

where A_n (resp. \tilde{A}_n) is the number of labeled (resp. unlabeled) elements of size n in \mathcal{A} .

structure	EGF	OGF
UNION(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})	$A(x) + B(x)$	$\tilde{A}(x) + \tilde{B}(x)$
PROD(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})	$A(x) \times B(x)$	$\tilde{A}(x) \times \tilde{B}(x)$
SEQ(\mathcal{C})	$\frac{1}{1-C(x)}$	$\frac{1}{1-\tilde{C}(x)}$
CYC(\mathcal{C})	$\log \frac{1}{1-C(x)}$	$\sum_{k \geq 1} \frac{\phi(k)}{k} \log \frac{1}{1-\tilde{C}(x^k)}$
SET(\mathcal{C})	$\exp(C(x))$	$\exp(\tilde{C}(x) + \frac{1}{2}\tilde{C}(x^2) + \frac{1}{3}\tilde{C}(x^3) + \dots)$

Proof. [Labeled product]

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\gamma=(\alpha,\beta)\in\text{PROD}(\mathcal{A},\mathcal{B})} \frac{x^{|\gamma|}}{|\gamma|!} &= \sum_{\alpha\in\mathcal{A}} \sum_{\beta\in\mathcal{B}} \underbrace{\binom{|\gamma|}{|\alpha|}}_{\text{relabeling}} \frac{x^{|\alpha|+|\beta|}}{|\gamma|!} \\ &= \sum_{\alpha} \frac{x^{|\alpha|}}{|\alpha|!} \times \sum_{\beta} \frac{x^{|\beta|}}{|\beta|!}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. [Unlabeled set]

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{c \in \text{SET}(\mathcal{C})} x^{|c|} &= \prod_{c \in \mathcal{C}} (1 + x^{|c|} + x^{2|c|} + \dots) \\ &= \exp \log \prod \dots \\ &= \exp \left(\sum_{c \in \mathcal{C}} \log \frac{1}{1 - x^{|c|}} \right) \\ &= \exp \left(\sum_{c \in \mathcal{C}} \sum_{k > 0} \frac{x^{k|c|}}{k} \right) \\ &= \exp \left(\sum_{k > 0} \frac{1}{k} \sum_{c \in \mathcal{C}} x^{k|c|} \right) \\ &= \exp(\tilde{C}(x) + \frac{1}{2} \tilde{C}(x^2) + \dots).\end{aligned}$$

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Theorem [Pivoteau-S.-Soria] **Enumeration** of all constructible classes with precision N in $O(M(N))$ coefficient operations.

Idea: Newton's iteration (\rightarrow yesterday's slides).

Soon to be in `combstruct` [count]

Example: Mappings

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$$[M(x) = \frac{1}{1 - Tree(x)}, \quad Tree(x) = x \exp(Tree(x))]$$

- > countmappings := SeriesNewtonIteration(mappings, labelled, x):
- > countmappings(10);

$$\left[\begin{aligned} M &= 1 + x + 2x^2 + \frac{9}{2}x^3 + \frac{32}{3}x^4 + \frac{625}{24}x^5 + \frac{324}{5}x^6 \\ &+ \frac{117649}{720}x^7 + \frac{131072}{315}x^8 + \frac{4782969}{4480}x^9 + O(x^{10}), \\ Tree &= x + x^2 + \frac{3}{2}x^3 + \frac{8}{3}x^4 + \frac{125}{24}x^5 + \frac{54}{5}x^6 + \\ &\frac{16807}{720}x^7 + \frac{16384}{315}x^8 + \frac{531441}{4480}x^9 + O(x^{10}) \end{aligned} \right]$$

Code Pivoteau-S-Soria, should end up in combstruct

Multivariate Generating Functions

Same translation rules:

```
> maps2 := {M=Set(Cycle(Prod(U, Tree))), Tree=Prod(Z, Set(Tree)), U=Epsilon}:  
> combstruct [gfsolve] (maps2, labeled, z, [[u, U]]);
```

$$\left\{ M(z, u) = \frac{1}{1 + uW(-z)}, Tree(z, u) = -W(-z), U(z, u) = u, Z(z, u) = z \right\}$$

This computes

$$M(z, u) = \sum_{n,k} c_{n,k} u^k \frac{z^n}{n!},$$

$c_{n,k}$ = number of mappings with n points, k of which are in cycles.

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> gf:=subs(%,M(z,u)):

Some automatic asymptotics (avg number of points in cycles):

> map(simplify,equivalent(eval(gf,u=1),z,n));

$$1/2 \frac{\sqrt{2}n^{-1/2}e^n}{\sqrt{\pi}} + O\left(e^n n^{-3/2}\right)$$

> map(simplify,equivalent(eval(diff(gf,u),u=1),z,n));

$$1/2 e^n + O\left(e^n n^{-1/2}\right)$$

> asympt(%%/%%,n);

$$1/2 \sqrt{2} \sqrt{\pi} n^{1/2} + O(1)$$

Also in combstruct

- `gfeqns`: generating function equations;
- `gfseries`: generating function expansions;
- `count`: number of objects of a given size;
- `draw`: uniform random generation;
- `agfeqns`, `agfseries`, `agfmomentsolve`: extensions to [attribute grammars](#) (see [Delest-Fédou92, Delest-Duchon99, Mishna2003] and examples in help pages).

TOOLS FOR PROOFS

2. Resultants

Example: the discriminant

The **discriminant** of A is the resultant of A and of its derivative A' .

E.g. for $A = ax^2 + bx + c$,

$$\text{Disc}(A) = \text{Res}(A, A') = \det \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ 2a & b & \\ & 2a & b \end{bmatrix} = -a(b^2 - 4ac).$$

E.g. for $A = ax^3 + bx + c$,

$$\text{Disc}(A) = \text{Res}(A, A') = \det \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & b & c & \\ & a & 0 & b & c \\ 3a & 0 & b & & \\ & 3a & 0 & b & \\ & & 3a & 0 & b \end{bmatrix} = a^2(4b^3 + 27ac^2).$$

► The discriminant vanishes when A and A' have a common root, that is when A has a multiple root.

Main properties

- **Link with gcd** $\text{Res}(A, B) = 0$ if and only if $\text{gcd}(A, B)$ is non-constant.

- **Elimination property**

There exist $U, V \in \mathbb{K}[x]$ not both zero, with $\deg(U) < n$, $\deg(V) < m$ and such that the following **Bézout identity** holds:

$$\text{Res}(A, B) = UA + VB \quad \text{in } \mathbb{K} \cap (A, B).$$

- **Poisson formula**

If $A = a(x - \alpha_1) \cdots (x - \alpha_m)$ and $B = b(x - \beta_1) \cdots (x - \beta_n)$, then

$$\text{Res}(A, B) = a^n b^m \prod_{i,j} (\alpha_i - \beta_j) = a^n \prod_{1 \leq i \leq m} B(\alpha_i).$$

- **Bézout-Hadamard bound**

If $A, B \in \mathbb{K}[x, y]$, then $\text{Res}_y(A, B)$ is a polynomial in $\mathbb{K}[x]$ of degree

$$\leq \deg_x(A) \deg_y(B) + \deg_x(B) \deg_y(A).$$

Application: computation with algebraic numbers

Let $A = \prod_i (x - \alpha_i)$ and $B = \prod_j (x - \beta_j)$ be polynomials of $\mathbb{K}[x]$. Then

$$\operatorname{Res}_x(A(x), B(t - x)) = \prod_{i,j} (t - (\alpha_i + \beta_j)),$$

$$\operatorname{Res}_x(A(x), B(t + x)) = \prod_{i,j} (t - (\beta_j - \alpha_i)),$$

$$\operatorname{Res}_x(A(x), x^{\deg B} B(t/x)) = \prod_{i,j} (t - \alpha_i \beta_j),$$

$$\operatorname{Res}_x(A(x), t - B(x)) = \prod_i (t - B(\alpha_i)).$$

In particular, the set of algebraic numbers is a field.

Proof: Poisson's formula. E.g., first one: $\prod_i B(t - \alpha_i) = \prod_{i,j} (t - \alpha_i - \beta_j)$.

► The same formulas apply mutatis mutandis to **algebraic power series**.

Two beautiful identities of Ramanujan's

$$\frac{\sin \frac{2\pi}{7}}{\sin^2 \frac{3\pi}{7}} - \frac{\sin \frac{\pi}{7}}{\sin^2 \frac{2\pi}{7}} + \frac{\sin \frac{3\pi}{7}}{\sin^2 \frac{\pi}{7}} = 2\sqrt{7}.$$

► Using $\sin(k\pi/7) = \frac{1}{2i}(x^k - x^{-k})$, where $x = \exp(i\pi/7)$, left-hand sum is a rational function $N(x)/D(x)$, so it is a root of $\text{Res}_x(X^7 + 1, t \cdot D(X) - N(X))$

> `f:=sin(2*a)/sin(3*a)^2-sin(a)/sin(2*a)^2+sin(3*a)/sin(a)^2:`

> `expand(convert(f,exp)):`

> `F:=normal(subs(exp(I*a)=x,%)):`

> `factor(resultant(x^7+1,numer(t-F),x)):`

$$-1274 I (t^2 - 28)$$

► A slightly more complicated one:

$$\sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{2\pi}{7}} + \sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{4\pi}{7}} + \sqrt[3]{\cos \frac{8\pi}{7}} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{5 - 3\sqrt[3]{7}}{2}}.$$

Rothstein-Trager resultant

Let $A, B \in \mathbb{K}[x]$ with $\deg(A) < \deg(B)$ and squarefree monic denominator B . The rational function $F = A/B$ has simple poles only.

If $F = \sum_i \frac{\gamma_i}{x - \beta_i}$, then the **residue γ_i of F at the pole β_i** equals $\gamma_i = \frac{A(\beta_i)}{B'(\beta_i)}$.

Theorem. The residues γ_i of F are roots of the **Rothstein-Trager resultant**

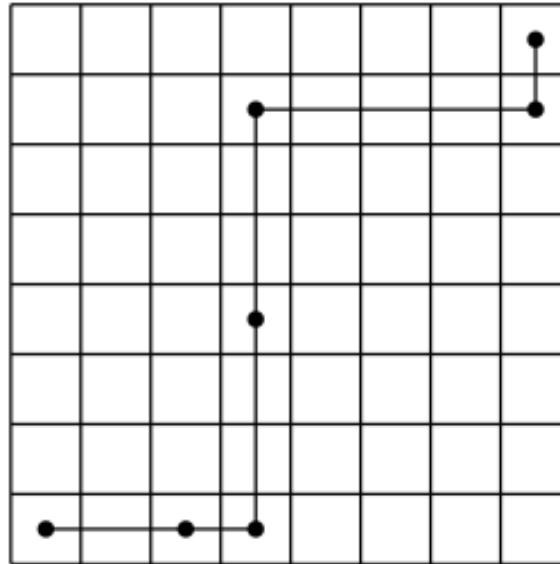
$$R(t) = \text{Res}_x(B(x), A(x) - t \cdot B'(x)).$$

Proof. **Poisson formula again:** $R(t) = \prod_i \left(A(\beta_i) - t \cdot B'(\beta_i) \right)$.

► This special resultant is useful for symbolic integration of rational functions.

Application: diagonal Rook paths

Question: A chess Rook can move any number of squares horizontally or vertically in one step. How many paths can a Rook take from the lower-left corner square to the upper-right corner square of an $N \times N$ chessboard? Assume that the Rook moves right or up at each step.



1, 2, 14, 106, 838, 6802, 56190, 470010, ...

Application: diagonal Rook paths

1, 2, 14, 106, 838, 6802, 56190, 470010, ...

$$\text{Diag}(F) = [s^0] F(s, x/s) = \frac{1}{2i\pi} \oint F(s, x/s) \frac{ds}{s}, \quad \text{where } F = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{s}{1-s} - \frac{t}{1-t}}.$$

By the [residue theorem](#), $\text{Diag}(F)$ is a sum of roots of the Rothstein-Trager resultant

```
> F:=1/(1-s/(1-s)-t/(1-t)):
> G:=normal(1/s*subs(t=x/s,F)):
> factor(resultant(denom(G),numer(G)-t*diff(denom(G),s),s));
```

$$x^2 (-1 + 2 t) (x - 1) (-x + 36 t x + 1 - 4 t)^2$$

Answer: Generating series of diagonal Rook paths is $\frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{1-9x}} \right)$.

Application: certified algebraic guessing

Guess + Bound = Proof

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- By **Hadamard**, $R(x) = \text{Res}_y(P, Q) \in \mathbb{K}[x]$ has degree at most $2dn$.
- By **elimination**, $R(x) = UP + VQ$ for $U, V \in \mathbb{K}[x, y]$ with $\deg_y(V) < n$.
- Evaluation at $y = A(x)$ yields

$$R(x) = U(x, A(x)) \underbrace{P(x, A(x))}_0 + V(x, A(x)) \underbrace{Q(x, A(x))}_{O(x^{2dn+1})} = O(x^{2dn+1}).$$

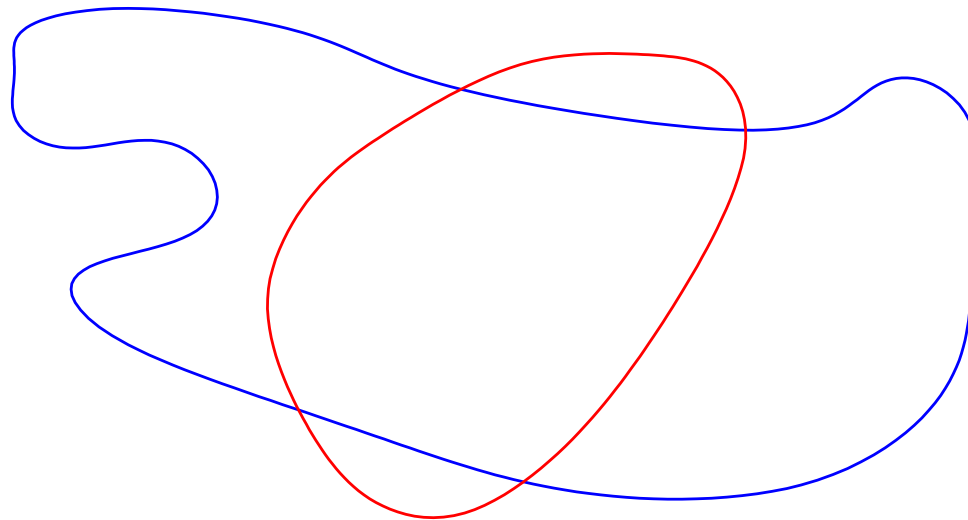
- Thus $R = 0$, that is $\gcd(P, Q) \neq 1$, and thus $P \mid Q$, and A is a root of Q .

Systems of two equations and two unknowns

Geometrically, roots of a polynomial $f \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$ correspond to **points** on a **line**.



Roots of polynomials $A \in \mathbb{Q}[x, y]$ correspond to **plane curves** $A = 0$.

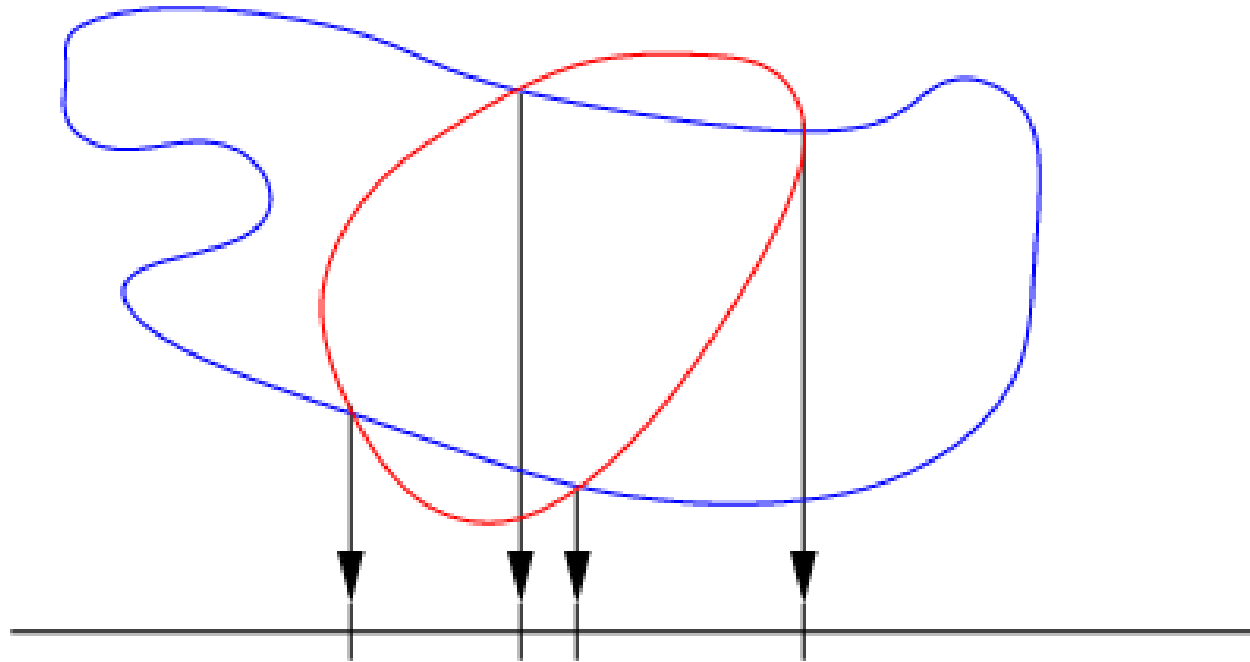


Let now A and B be in $\mathbb{Q}[x, y]$. Then:

- either the curves $A = 0$ and $B = 0$ have a **common component**,
- or they intersect in a **finite** number of points.

Application: Resultants compute projections

Theorem. Let $A = a_m y^m + \dots$ and $B = b_n y^n + \dots$ be polynomials in $\mathbb{Q}[x][y]$. The roots of $\text{Res}_y(A, B) \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$ are either the abscissas of points in the intersection $A = B = 0$, or common roots of a_m and b_n .



Proof. Elimination property: $\text{Res}(A, B) = UA + VB$, for $U, V \in \mathbb{Q}[x, y]$.

Thus $A(\alpha, \beta) = B(\alpha, \beta) = 0$ implies $\text{Res}_y(A, B)(\alpha) = 0$

Application: implicitization of parametric curves

Task: Given a rational parametrization of a curve

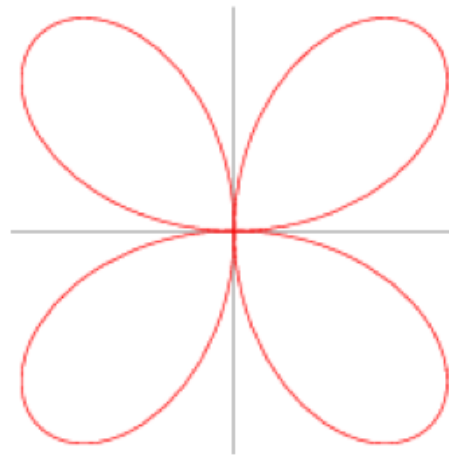
$$x = A(t), \quad y = B(t), \quad A, B \in \mathbb{K}(t),$$

compute a non-trivial polynomial in x and y vanishing on the curve.

Recipe: take the resultant in t of numerators of $x - A(t)$ and $y - B(t)$.

Example: for the **four-leaved clover** (a.k.a. quadrifolium) given by

$$x = \frac{4t(1-t^2)^2}{(1+t^2)^3}, \quad y = \frac{8t^2(1-t^2)}{(1+t^2)^3},$$



$$\text{Res}_t((1+t^2)^3x - 4t(1-t^2)^2, (1+t^2)^3y - 8t^2(1-t^2)) = 2^{24} ((x^2 + y^2)^3 - 4x^2y^2).$$

TOOLS FOR PROOFS

3. D-Finiteness

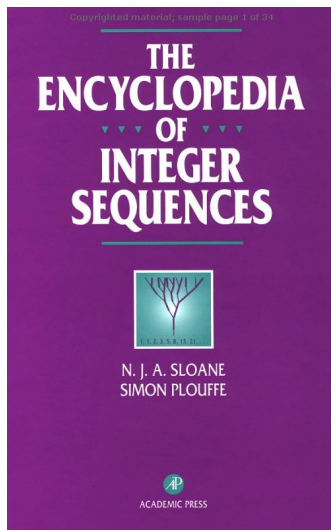
D-finite Series & Sequences

Definition: A power series $f(x) \in \mathbb{K}[[x]]$ is **D-finite** over \mathbb{K} when its derivatives generate a finite-dimensional vector space over $\mathbb{K}(x)$.

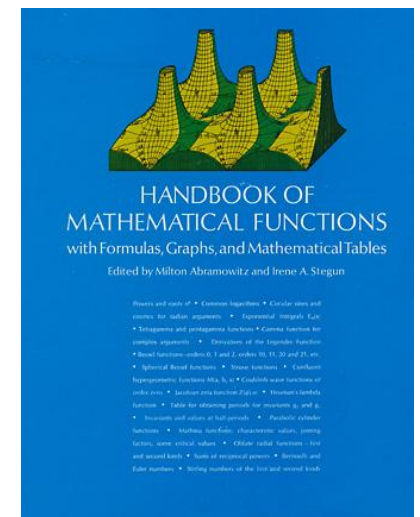
A sequence u_n is **D-finite** (or **P-recursive**) over \mathbb{K} when its shifts (u_n, u_{n+1}, \dots) generate a finite-dimensional vector space over $\mathbb{K}(n)$.

equation + init conditions = data structure

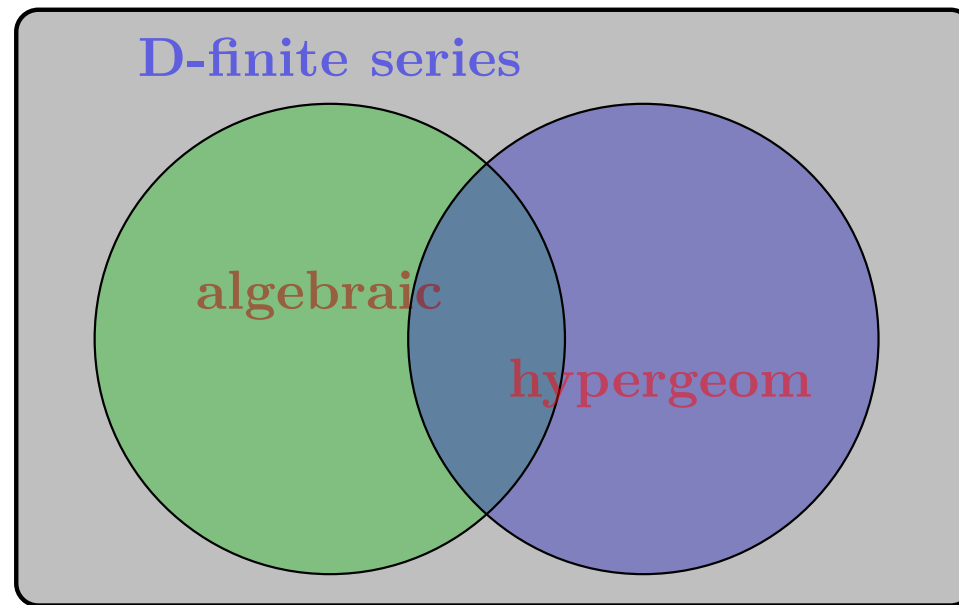
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Examples: exp, log, sin, cos, sinh, cosh, arccos, arccosh, arcsin, arcsinh, arctan, arctanh, arccot, arccoth, arccsc, arccsch, arcsec, arcsech, ${}_pF_q$ (includes Bessel J , Y , I and K , Airy Ai and Bi and polylogarithms), Struve, Weber and Anger functions, the large class of **algebraic functions**,...



Important classes of power series



Algebraic: $S(x) \in \mathbb{K}[[x]]$ root of a polynomial $P \in \mathbb{K}[x, y]$.

D-finite: $S(x) \in \mathbb{K}[[x]]$ satisfying a **linear differential equation with polynomial (or rational function) coefficients** $c_r(x)S^{(r)}(x) + \cdots + c_0(x)S(x) = 0$.

Hypergeometric: $S(x) = \sum_n s_n x^n$ such that $\frac{s_{n+1}}{s_n} \in \mathbb{K}(n)$. E.g.

$${}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} a & b \\ c \end{matrix} \middle| x \right) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n (b)_n}{(c)_n} \frac{x^n}{n!}, \quad (a)_n = a(a+1) \cdots (a+n-1).$$

Link D-finite \leftrightarrow P-recursive

Theorem: A power series $f \in \mathbb{K}[[x]]$ is **D-finite** if and only if the sequence f_n of its coefficients is **P-recursive**

Proof (idea): $x\partial \leftrightarrow n$ and $x^{-1} \leftrightarrow S_n$ give a ring isomorphism between

$$\mathbb{K}[x, x^{-1}, \partial] \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{K}[S_n, S_n^{-1}, n].$$

Snobbish way of saying that the equality $f = \sum_{n \geq 0} f_n x^n$ implies

$$[x^n] x f'(x) = n f_n, \quad \text{and} \quad [x^n] x^{-1} f(x) = f_{n+1}.$$

- ▶ Both conversions implemented in gfun: [diffeqtoec](#) and [rectodiffeq](#)
- ▶ Differential operators of order r and degree d give rise to recurrences of order $d + r$ and coefficients of degree r

Closure properties

Th. D-finite series in $\mathbb{K}[[x]]$ form a \mathbb{K} -algebra closed under Hadamard product.
P-recursive sequences over \mathbb{K} form an algebra closed under Cauchy product.

Proof: Linear algebra:

If $a_r(x)f^{(r)}(x) + \dots + a_0(x)f(x) = 0$, $b_s(x)g^{(s)}(x) + \dots + b_0(x)g(x) = 0$, then

$$f^{(\ell)} \in \text{Vect}_{\mathbb{K}(x)} \left(f, f', \dots, f^{(r-1)} \right), \quad g^{(\ell)} \in \text{Vect}_{\mathbb{K}(x)} \left(g, g', \dots, g^{(s-1)} \right),$$

$$\text{so that } (f+g)^{(\ell)} \in \text{Vect}_{\mathbb{K}(x)} \left(f, f', \dots, f^{(r-1)}, g, g', \dots, g^{(s-1)} \right),$$

$$\text{and } (fg)^{(\ell)} \in \text{Vect}_{\mathbb{K}(x)} \left(f^{(i)}g^{(j)}, \quad i < r, j < s \right).$$

Thus $f+g$ satisfies LDE of order $\leq (r+s)$ and fg satisfies LDE of order $\leq (rs)$.

Corollary: D-finite series can be multiplied mod x^N in **linear time** $O(N)$.

► Implemented in gfun: `diffeq+diffeq`, `diffeq*diffeq`, `hadamardproduct`, `rec+rec`, `rec*rec`, `cauchyproduct`

Proof of Identities

```
> series(sin(x)^2+cos(x)^2,x,4);
```

$$1 + 0(x^4)$$

Why is this a proof?

- (1) `sin` and `cos` satisfy a 2nd order LDE: $y'' + y = 0$;
- (2) their `squares` (and their `sum`) satisfy a 3rd order LDE;
- (3) the `constant 1` satisfies a 1st order LDE: $y' = 0$;
- (4) $\implies \sin^2 + \cos^2 - 1$ satisfies a LDE of order at most 4;
- (5) Since it is not singular at 0, Cauchy's theorem concludes.

► **Cassini's identity** (same idea): $F_n^2 - F_{n+1}F_{n-1} = (-1)^{n+1}$

```
> for n to 5 do
```

```
>   fibonacci(n)^2-fibonacci(n+1)*fibonacci(n-1)+(-1)^n
```

```
> od;
```

Algebraic series are D-finite

Theorem [Abel 1827, Cockle 1860, Harley 1862] Any algebraic series is D-finite.

Proof: Let $f(x) \in \mathbb{K}[[x]]$ such that $P(x, f(x)) = 0$, with $P \in \mathbb{K}[x, y]$ irreducible.

Differentiate w.r.t. x :

$$P_x(x, f(x)) + f'(x)P_y(x, f(x)) = 0 \quad \Longrightarrow \quad f' = -\frac{P_x}{P_y}(x, f).$$

Bézout relation: $\gcd(P, P_y) = 1 \quad \Longrightarrow \quad UP + VP_y = 1$, for $U, V \in \mathbb{K}(x)[y]$

$$\Longrightarrow f' = -\left(P_x V \bmod P\right)(x, f) \in \text{Vect}_{\mathbb{K}(x)} \left(1, f, f^2, \dots, f^{\deg_y(P)-1}\right).$$

By induction, $f^{(\ell)} \in \text{Vect}_{\mathbb{K}(x)} \left(1, f, f^2, \dots, f^{\deg_y(P)-1}\right)$, for all ℓ . □

► Implemented in gfun: [algeqtodiffeq](#)

► Generalization: g D-finite, f algebraic $\rightarrow g \circ f$ D-finite [algebraicsubs](#)

An Olympiad Problem

Question: Let (a_n) be the sequence with $a_0 = a_1 = 1$ satisfying the recurrence

$$(n + 3)a_{n+1} = (2n + 3)a_n + 3na_{n-1}.$$

Show that all a_n is an integer for all n .

Computer-aided solution: Let's compute the first 10 terms of the sequence:

```
> rec:=(n+3)*a(n+1)-(2*n+3)*a(n)-3*n*a(n-1): ini:=a(0)=1,a(1)=1:  
> pro:=gfun:-rectoproc({rec,ini}, a(n), list);  
> pro(10);
```

[1, 1, 2, 4, 9, 21, 51, 127, 323, 835, 2188]

`gfun`'s `seriestoalgeq` command allows to guess that GF is algebraic:

```
> pol:=gfun:-listtoalgeq(%,y(x))[1];
```

$$1 + (x - 1)^2 y(x) + x^2 y(x)^2$$

Thus it is very likely that $y = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n x^n$ verifies $1 + (x - 1)y + x^2 y^2 = 0$.

By coefficient extraction, (a_n) conjecturally verifies the non-linear recurrence

$$a_{n+2} = a_{n+1} + \sum_{k=0}^n a_k \cdot a_{n-k}. \quad (1)$$

Clearly (1) implies $a_n \in \mathbb{N}$. To prove (1), we proceed the other way around: we start with $P(x, y) = 1 + (x - 1)y + x^2 y^2$, and show that it admits a power series solution whose coefficients satisfy the same linear recurrence as (a_n) :

```
> deq:=gfun:-algeqtodiffeq(pol,y(x)):
```

```
> recb:=gfun:-diffeqtorec(deq,y(x),b(n));
```

```
recb := {(3 + 3 n) b(n) + (2 n + 5) b(n + 1) + (-4 - n) b(n + 2),  
b(0) = 1, b(1) = 1}
```

► In fact, a_n is equal to

$$a_n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{2k} \binom{2k}{k} - \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{2k} \binom{2k}{k+1},$$

(which clearly implies $a_n \in \mathbb{Z}$), but [how to find algorithmically such a formula?](#)

Gessel's walks are algebraic

Let's prove that the series counting Gessel walks of prescribed length

$$G(1, 1, x) = \frac{1}{2x} \cdot {}_2F_1\left(\begin{matrix} -1/12 & 1/4 \\ 2/3 \end{matrix} \middle| -\frac{64x(4x+1)^2}{(4x-1)^4}\right) - \frac{1}{2x}.$$

is algebraic.

Proof principle: **Guess** a polynomial $P(x, y)$ in $\mathbb{Q}[x, y]$, then **prove** that P admits the power series $G(1, 1, x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g_n x^n$ as a root.

1. Such a P can be **guessed** from the first 100 terms of $G(1, 1, x)$.

```
> G:=(hypergeom([-1/12,1/4],[2/3],-64*x*(4*x+1)^2/(4*x-1)^4)-1)/x/2:
```

```
> seriestoalgeq(series(G,x,100),y(x)):
```

```
> P:=subs(y(x)=y,%[1]):
```

2. **Implicit function theorem:** $\exists!$ root $r(x) \in \mathbb{Q}[[x]]$ of P .

```
> map(eval,[P,diff(P,y)},{x=0,y=1});
```

```
[0, 1]
```

3. **D-finiteness:** $r(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r_n x^n$ being algebraic, it is D-finite, and so is (r_n) :

> $\text{deqP} := \text{algeqtodiffeq}(P, y(x))$; $\text{recP} := \text{diffeqtorec}(\text{deqP}, y(x), r(n))$;

$\text{recP} := \{(256 + 448n + 192n^2) r(n) - (240 + 208n + 48n^2) r(n+1) - (100 + 68n + 12n^2) r(n+2) + (44 + 23n + 3n^2) r(n+3), r(0)=1, r(1)=2, r(2)=7\}$

4. **D-finiteness:** $G(1, 1, x)$ being the composition of a D-finite by an algebraic, it is D-finite, and so is (g_n) :

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5. **Conclusion:** (r_n) and (g_n) are equal, since they satisfy the same recurrence and the same initial values. Thus $G(1, 1, x)$ coincides with the algebraic series $r(x)$, so it is algebraic. □

TOOLS FOR PROOFS

4. Creative Telescoping

Examples I: hypergeometric summation

- $$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} (-1)^k \binom{a+b}{a+k} \binom{a+c}{c+k} \binom{b+c}{b+k} = \frac{(a+b+c)!}{a!b!c!}$$

- $A_n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}^2 \binom{n+k}{k}^2$ satisfies the recurrence [Apéry78]:

$$(n+1)^3 A_{n+1} = (34n^3 + 51n^2 + 27n + 5)A_n - n^3 A_{n-1}.$$

(Neither Cohen nor I had been able to prove this in the intervening two months [Van der Poorten]).

- $$\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}^2 \binom{n+k}{k}^2 = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \binom{n+k}{k} \sum_{j=0}^k \binom{n}{k}^3 \quad [\text{Strehl92}]$$

Examples II: Integrals

- $\int_0^1 \frac{\cos(zu)}{\sqrt{1-u^2}} du = \int_1^{+\infty} \frac{\sin(zu)}{\sqrt{u^2-1}} du = \frac{\pi}{2} J_0(z);$
- $\int_0^{+\infty} x J_1(ax) I_1(ax) Y_0(x) K_0(x) dx = -\frac{\ln(1-a^4)}{2\pi a^2}$ [Glasser-Montaldi94];
- $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{(1+2xy+4y^2) \exp\left(\frac{4x^2 y^2}{1+4y^2}\right)}{y^{n+1} (1+4y^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} dy = \frac{H_n(x)}{[n/2]!}$ [Doetsch30].

Examples III: Diagonals

Definition If $f(x_1, \dots, x_k) = \sum_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k \geq 0} c_{i_1, \dots, i_k} x_1^{i_1} \cdots x_k^{i_k} \in \mathbb{K}[[x_1, \dots, x_k]]$, then

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Theorem [Lipshitz88] The diagonal of a rational (or algebraic, or even D-finite) series is D-finite.

Summation by Creative Telescoping

$$I_n := \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} = 2^n.$$

IF one knows Pascal's triangle:

$$\binom{n+1}{k} = \binom{n}{k} + \binom{n}{k-1} = 2\binom{n}{k} + \binom{n}{k-1} - \binom{n}{k},$$

then summing over k gives

$$I_{n+1} = 2I_n.$$

The initial condition $I_0 = 1$ concludes the proof.

Creative Telescoping for Sums

$$F_n = \sum_k u_{n,k} = ?$$

IF one knows $A(n, S_n)$ and $B(n, k, S_n, S_k)$ s.t.

$$(A(n, S_n) + \Delta_k B(n, k, S_n, S_k)) \cdot u_{n,k} = 0$$

(where Δ_k is the difference operator, $\Delta_k \cdot v_{n,k} = v_{n,k+1} - v_{n,k}$),
then the sum “telescopes”, leading to

$$A(n, S_n) \cdot F_n = 0.$$

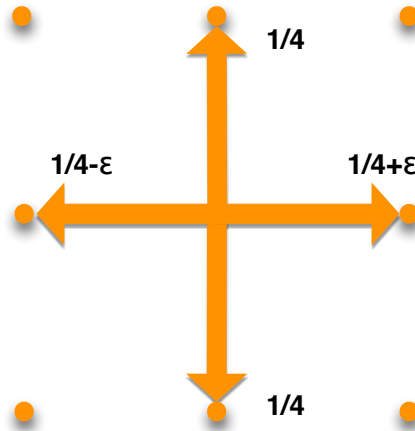
Zeilberger's Algorithm [1990]

Input: a **hypergeometric** term $u_{n,k}$, i.e., $u_{n+1,k}/u_{n,k}$ and $u_{n,k+1}/u_{n,k}$ rational functions in n and k ;

Output:

- a linear recurrence (A) satisfied by $F_n = \sum_k u_{n,k}$
- a **certificate** (B), s.t. checking the result is easy from $A(n, S_n) \cdot u_{n,k} = \Delta_k B \cdot u_{n,k}$.

Example: SIAM flea



$$U_{n,k} := \binom{2n}{2k} \binom{2k}{k} \binom{2n-2k}{n-k} \left(\frac{1}{4} + c\right)^k \left(\frac{1}{4} - c\right)^k \frac{1}{4^{2n-2k}}.$$

> SumTools [Hypergeometric] [Zeilberger] (U,n,k,Sn);

$$\begin{aligned} & [(4n^2 + 16n + 16) Sn^2 + (-4n^2 + 32c^2n^2 + 96c^2n - 12n + 72c^2 - 9) Sn \\ & \quad + 128c^4n + 64c^4n^2 + 48c^4, \dots (\text{BIG certificate}) \dots] \end{aligned}$$

Creative Telescoping for Integrals

$$I(x) = \int_{\Omega} u(x, y) dy = ?$$

IF one knows $A(x, \partial_x)$ and $B(x, y, \partial_x, \partial_y)$ s.t.

$$(A(x, \partial_x) + \partial_y B(x, y, \partial_x, \partial_y)) \cdot u(x, y) = 0,$$

then the integral “telescopes”, leading to

$$A(x, \partial_x) \cdot I(x) = 0.$$

Special Case: Diagonals

Analytically,

$$\text{Diag}(F(x, y)) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint F\left(\frac{x}{y}, y\right) \frac{dy}{y}.$$

On power series,

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Proof:

1. $[y^{-1}]U = \text{Diag}(f)$;
2. $0 = [y^{-1}]A \cdot U + [y^{-1}]\partial_y B \cdot U = A \cdot [y^{-1}]U$.

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$$\text{Diag}(F(x, y)) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint F\left(\frac{x}{y}, y\right) \frac{dy}{y}.$$

On power series,

$$(A(x, \partial_x) + \partial_y B) \cdot \underbrace{\frac{1}{y} F\left(\frac{x}{y}, y\right)}_U = 0 \implies A(x, \partial_x) \cdot \text{Diag } F = 0.$$

Proof:

1. $[y^{-1}]U = \text{Diag}(f)$;
2. $[y^{-1}]A \cdot U + [y^{-1}]\partial_y B \cdot U = A \cdot [y^{-1}]U$.

Extends to more variables: $\text{Diag } F(x, y, z)$ obtained from $[y^{-1}z^{-1}]U$,
 $U = \frac{1}{yz} F\left(\frac{x}{y}, \frac{y}{z}, z\right)$, **if** one finds

$$(A(x, \partial_x) + \partial_y B(x, y, z, \partial_x, \partial_y, \partial_z) + \partial_z C(x, y, z, \partial_x, \partial_y, \partial_z)) \cdot U = 0.$$

Provided by **Chyzak's** algorithm

Example: 3D rook paths [B-Chyzak-Hoeij-Pech 2011]

Proof of a recurrence conjectured by [Erickson *et alii* 2010]

- > $F := \text{subs}(y=y/z, x=x/y, 1/(1-x/(1-x)-y/(1-y)-z/(1-z)))/y/z:$
- > $A, B, C := \text{op}(\text{op}(\text{Mgfun}:-\text{creative_telescoping}(F, x::\text{diff}, [y::\text{diff}, z::\text{diff}]))) :$
- > $A;$

$$\begin{aligned} & (2304x^3 - 3204x^2 - 432x + 296) \frac{d}{dx} F(x) \\ & + (4608x^4 - 6372x^3 + 813x^2 + 514x - 4) \frac{d^2}{dx^2} F(x) \\ & + (1152x^5 - 1746x^4 + 475x^3 + 121x^2 - 2x) \frac{d^3}{dx^3} F(x) \end{aligned}$$

More and more general creative telescoping

- [Multivariate](#) D-finite series wrt [mixed](#) differential, shift, q -shift, . . . [[Chyzak-S](#) 1998, [Chyzak](#) 2000]
- [Symmetric](#) functions [[Chyzak-Mishna-S](#) 2005]
- [Beyond](#) D-finiteness [[Chyzak-Kauers-S](#) 2009]

(Some) implementations available in `Mgfun`

THE END

(Except for the exercises!)