

Computational Formal Resolution of Surfaces in $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^3$

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Gradings on Polynomial Rings

Let $<$ be a total ordering on \mathbb{N}^2 **compatible** with the **monoid structure** and with **degree**. We write $<$ also for the ordering induced on monomials, i.e. $x_1^{\mu_1} x_2^{\mu_2} < x_1^{\nu_1} x_2^{\nu_2}$ if $\mu < \nu$ for $\mu, \nu \in \mathbb{N}^2$.

$\mathbb{C}[x_1, x_2]$ becomes an \mathbb{N}^2 -graded ring:

$$\mathbb{C}[x_1, x_2] = \bigoplus_{\mu \in \mathbb{N}^2} \mathbb{C}x_1^{\mu_1} x_2^{\mu_2}$$

Each $\mu \in \mathbb{N}^2$ induces an \mathbb{N}^2 -grading on $\mathbb{C}[x_1, x_2][z]$ by setting

$$\deg_{\mu}(z) := \mu$$

which we call the **μ -induced grading**. Let IF_{μ} be the **initial form** in the μ -induced grading.

Example

Let $p := z^2 + (-x_1^2 x_2^6 - 3x_1^4 x_2^6 - 2x_1^2 x_2^8 - x_1^4 x_2^8)$ and $\mu := (1, 3)$. Then

$$\deg_{\mu}(z^2) = 2(1, 3) = (2, 6) \text{ and } \deg_{\mu}(x_1^2 x_2^6) = (2, 6)$$

and $\boxed{\text{IF}_{\mu}(p) = z^2 - x_1^2 x_2^6}$. This polynomial has roots $\pm x_1 x_2^3$.

Now consider

$$p' := p(z + x_1 x_2^3) = z^2 + z(2x_1 x_2^3) + (-3x_1^4 x_2^6 - 2x_1^2 x_2^8 - x_1^4 x_2^8)$$

Let $\mu' := (3, 3)$, then

$$\deg_{\mu'}(zx_1 x_2^3) = (3, 3) + (1, 3) = (4, 6) \text{ and } \deg_{\mu'}(x_1^4 x_2^6) = (4, 6)$$

and $\boxed{\text{IF}_{\mu'}(p') = 2x_1 x_2^3 z - 3x_1^4 x_2^6}$. This polynomial is linear and has a unique root $\frac{3}{2} x_1^3 x_2^3$.

The Newton Algorithm

Assume $p \in \mathbb{C}[x_1, x_2][z]$ is **squarefree** and has a **power series root**:

$$p(\alpha) = 0 \text{ for } \alpha = \sum_{\mu \in \mathbb{N}^2} \alpha_{\mu} x_1^{\mu_1} x_2^{\mu_2} \in \mathbb{C}[[x_1, x_2]]$$

Then $p(z + \alpha) \in \mathbb{C}[[x_1, x_2]][z]$ has a root 0. In other words it has **no constant coefficient** w.r.t. z . If we denote

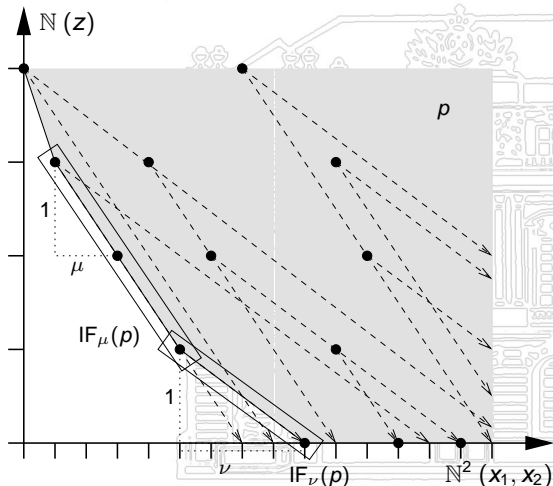
$$\alpha_{<\nu} := \sum_{\mu < \nu} \alpha_{\mu} x_1^{\mu_1} x_2^{\mu_2}$$

then the **order of the constant coefficient** of

$$p(x_1, x_2, z + \alpha_{<\nu}) \in \mathbb{C}[x_1, x_2][z]$$

increases for increasing ν .

The Newton Algorithm



Theorem

A power series α is a root of p iff α_μ is a root of $\text{IF}_\mu(p(z + \alpha_{<\mu}))$.

Computing power series
= solving univariate polynomial equations!

For **squarefree** p these equations are **eventually linear**.

Representation of Power Series

The polynomial p from the example has a root

$$\alpha = x_1 x_2^3 + \frac{3}{2} x_1^3 x_2^3 + x_1 x_2^5 - \frac{9}{8} x_1^5 x_2^3 - x_1^3 x_2^5 - \frac{1}{2} x_1 x_2^7 + \frac{27}{16} x_1^7 x_2^3 + \dots$$

and α is represented by $(p, x_1 x_2^3, (3, 3)) = (p, a, \mu)$. This triple is s.t.:

$$\text{IF}_{\mu}(p(z+a)) \text{ has degree 1 in } z$$

This point of view is particularly nice for implementation. Summing up, we can **effectively**

- represent multivariate algebraic power series,
- compute power series roots of polynomials (if they exist),
- carry out the ring operations for algebraic power series and
- deal with fractionary exponents.

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Resolution of Varieties

Definition (Resolution of Varieties)

Let X be a variety over \mathbb{C} . A resolution of X is a **proper, birational** morphism $\phi : Y \rightarrow X$ where Y is a **smooth** variety.

proper: The ϕ -preimage of every compact subset is compact.

birational: The morphism ϕ has an “inverse” that can be described by rational functions.

Embedded Resolution of the Discriminant

Let $f \in \mathbb{C}[x, y, z, w]$ be an **irreducible, homogeneous** polynomial and $S \subset \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^3$ the surface defined by the vanishing of f .

Locally S is a subset of \mathbb{C}^3 and defined by an **irreducible** polynomial $g \in \mathbb{C}[x_1, x_2][z]$. We can assume w.l.o.g. that g is also **monic** in z .

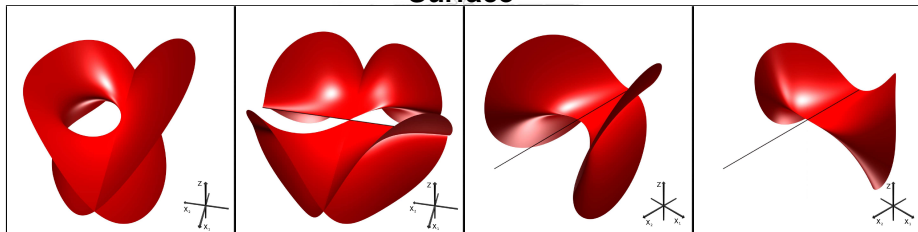
The polynomial $d := \text{disc}_z(g)$ defines a curve $D \subset \mathbb{C}^2$ which we call the **discriminant curve**. It **bounds the singular locus** of S .

Theorem (Embedded Resolution of Curves)

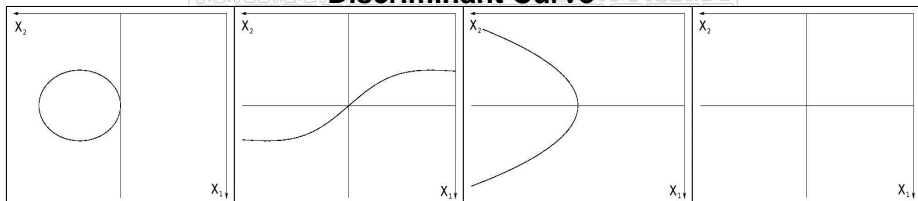
*After **finitely** many times **blowing up** the singular points of the discriminant curve, it has only **normal crossings**. I.e. all components are smooth and in each point at most two components of the curve intersect transversally.*

Embedded Resolution of the Discriminant

Surface



Discriminant Curve



Jung-Resolution

After these steps we have found a proper, birational map $\phi_0 : S_0 \rightarrow S$ s.t. S_0 is locally given by a **monic, irreducible** polynomial $g \in \mathbb{C}[x_1, x_2][z]$ and $\text{disc}_z(g)$ defines a **discriminant curve** D_0 with **normal crossings**.

Theorem (Jung-Resolution)

Let $\phi_1 : S_1 \rightarrow S_0$ be the normalization of S_0 . Let $\phi_2 : S_2 \rightarrow S_1$ be the morphism obtained by successively blowing up the singular points of S_1 (and its transforms). Then $\phi_0 \circ \phi_1 \circ \phi_2 : S_2 \rightarrow S$ is a resolution.

The normalization S_1 lives in a higher-dimensional space and involves Groebner basis computations. We want to

- “describe” the essential parts of S_2 while
- avoiding the explicit computation of S_1 and S_2 and
- staying in 3-space using only factorizations and linear algebra.

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Definition of a Formal Resolution

Let $\phi : S_2 \rightarrow S$ be the Jung-Resolution, $\mathcal{S}_S \subset S$ the **singular locus** of S and \mathcal{K}_S the **field of rational functions** on S .

Then \mathcal{S}_S lies **above the discriminant curve** D . The preimage

$$\phi^{-1}(\mathcal{S}_S)$$

decomposes into **finitely many curves**, so-called **divisors** on S_2 .

Definition (Formal Description of the Resolution of a Surface)

A **formal description of ϕ** is a **finite set of embeddings**

$\kappa_i : \mathcal{K}_S \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_i((t))$ where \mathbb{F}_i is a field of transcendence degree 1 over \mathbb{C} . For each curve C in $\phi^{-1}(\mathcal{S}_S)$ there must be an i s.t. the restriction of κ_i to $\kappa_i^{-1}(\mathbb{F}_i[[t]])$ **parametrizes a formal neighborhood of C** .

Example Application: Adjoint Differential Forms

Let $g := z^3 x_2^2 + (x_1 + z^2)^3$ be the defining equation of a surface $S \subset \mathbb{C}^3$. One of the computed embeddings in this case is

$$\kappa : \text{Frac}(\mathbb{C}[x_1, x_2, z]/\langle g \rangle) \rightarrow \mathbb{F}((t)) : \begin{cases} x_1 \mapsto st^9 \\ x_2 \mapsto st^6 \\ z \mapsto \alpha t^5 - t^6 - \frac{2}{s}\alpha^2 t^7 + \frac{5}{s}\alpha t^8 + \dots \end{cases}$$

where $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{Q}(s)[\alpha]$ with $\alpha^3 + s = 0$.

We want to check whether a differential form

$$\omega = p(x_1, x_2, z) \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial z} \right)^{-1} dx_1 \wedge dx_2$$

is regular on a resolution.

Example Application: Adjoint Differential Forms

Under κ we get the following mappings:

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial z} \mapsto 3s^2 \alpha^2 t^{22} - 3s^2 t^{24} - 12s \alpha^2 t^{25} + 42s \alpha t^{26} + \dots \quad (\text{order } 22)$$

$$\text{and } dx_1 \wedge dx_2 \mapsto -3st^{14} ds \wedge dt \quad (\text{order } 14)$$

Since $ds \wedge dt$ generates the module of regular differentials over $\mathbb{F}[[t]]$, we find that ω is regular in the local ring $\kappa^{-1}(\mathbb{F}[[t]])$ iff $\kappa(p)$ has order greater or equal than $22 - 14 = 8$.

Proceeding in the same way for the other embeddings, we eventually find that if p is a polynomial of degree less or equal than 3 then ω is regular on a resolution iff $p \in \langle x_1 z^2 + x_1^2, x_1^2 x_2, z^3 + x_1 z, x_1 x_2 z, x_2 z^2 \rangle_{\mathbb{C}}$.

Implementation

We compute $\phi_0 : S_0 \rightarrow S$. Then we distinguish two cases:

- 1 **Divisors over Curves of the Discriminant:** We **change the ground field** to the function field of the corresponding curve and **compute univariate power series roots** right away.
- 2 **Divisors above Normal Crossings of the Discriminant:** We first **compute bivariate power series roots** and then transform each into a finite number of embeddings of the desired form. This step corresponds to the **resolution of a toric surface**.

Plus: Just linear algebra (and factorization)

Plus: Neat output

Minus: Requirements on field arithmetics (\Rightarrow Magma)

Minus: Technically difficult (long code)

Conclusion

- 1 We implemented an analogue of the Newton-Puiseux algorithm for the surface case.
- 2 The implementation relies on an exact representation for power series.
- 3 First tests show good performance.
- 4 Thanks to Gavin Brown!

