

# Gröbner bases, Graver bases and Integer Optimization

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# Gröbner bases

## What are Gröbner bases?

- They are a representation of an algebraic object
- It gives a general method of computing with multivariate polynomials
- It generalises well-known methods:
  - Gaussian elimination
  - Euclidean algorithm

# Notation

- $k$  **field** (often algebraically closed)
- $\mathbf{x}^\alpha = x_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots x_n^{\alpha_n}$  **monomial** in  $x_1, \dots, x_n$
- $c\mathbf{x}^\alpha$   $c \in k$  **term** in  $x_1, \dots, x_n$
- $f = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n} c_\alpha \mathbf{x}^\alpha$  **polynomial** in  $n$  variables
- $k[\mathbf{x}] = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  **polynomial ring** in  $n$  variables
- $\mathbb{A}^n = \mathbb{A}^n(k)$  **affine space** over  $k$

# Monomial orders

## Definition

A **monomial order** is a total order  $>$  on the sets of monomials  $\mathbf{x}^\alpha$  such that:

- If  $\mathbf{x}^\alpha > \mathbf{x}^\beta$  and  $\gamma \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$  then  $\mathbf{x}^{\alpha+\gamma} > \mathbf{x}^{\beta+\gamma}$
- Any nonempty subset of monomials has a smallest element under  $>$  (it is a well-ordering)

We often think of a monomial order as a total order on the set of exponent vectors  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$ .

Being a well-ordering is equivalent to  $\alpha > 0$ , for  $\alpha \neq 0$  (or  $\mathbf{x}^\alpha > 1$ )

# Examples of monomial orders

## Examples

- **Lexicographic order** For every  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$  we say  $\alpha >_{lex} \beta$  (or  $\mathbf{x}^\alpha >_{lex} \mathbf{x}^\beta$ ) if the leftmost nonzero entry of  $\alpha - \beta$  is positive. That is:

$$\alpha_1 > \beta_1, \quad \text{or} \quad \alpha_1 = \beta_1 \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha_2 > \beta_2, \dots$$

$$(1, 2, 0) >_{lex} (1, 1, 3)$$

- **Graded lex order** For every  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$  we say  $\alpha >_{grlex} \beta$  if

$$|\alpha| = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i > |\beta| = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i, \quad \text{or} \quad |\alpha| = |\beta| \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha >_{lex} \beta$$

$$(0, 2, 5) >_{grlex} (1, 2, 3)$$

# Using SAGE and monomial orders

```
sage: P.<x,y,z> = PolynomialRing(QQ, 3, order='lex')
sage: x > y
True
sage: x > y^2
True
sage: x > 1
True
sage: x^1*y^2 > y^3*z^4
True
sage: x^3*y^2*z^4 < x^3*y^2*z^1
False
```

# Using SAGE and monomial orders

```
sage: P.<x,y,z> = PolynomialRing(QQ, 3, order='deglex')
sage: x > y
True
sage: x > y^2*z
False
sage: x > 1
True
sage: x^1*y^2*z^3 > x^3*y^2*z^0
True
sage: x^2*y*z^2 > x*y^3*z
True
```

# Examples of monomial orders

## More examples

- **Graded reverse lex order** For every  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$  we say  $\alpha >_{\text{grevlex}} \beta$  if

$$|\alpha| = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i > |\beta| = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i, \quad \text{or} \quad |\alpha| = |\beta| \quad \text{and}$$

the rightmost nonzero entry of  $\alpha - \beta$  is negative

$$(5, 2, 0) >_{\text{grevlex}} (2, 2, 3)$$

- **Vector induced order** Let  $c \in \mathbb{R}_+^n$  for every  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$  we say  $\alpha >_c \beta$  if

$$c' \alpha > c' \beta, \quad \text{or} \quad c' \alpha = c' \beta \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha >_{\text{lex}} \beta$$

If  $c = (2, 3, 1)$  then  $(0, 3, 0) >_c (2, 1, 1)$



# Using SAGE and monomial orders

```
sage: P.<x,y,z>=PolynomialRing(QQ,3,order='degrevlex')
sage: x > y
True
sage: x > y^2*z
False
sage: x > 1
True
sage: x^1*y^5*z^2 > x^4*y^1*z^3
True
sage: x^2*y*z^2 > x*y^3*z
False
```

# Using SAGE and monomial orders

```
sage: P.<x,y,z> =  
PolynomialRing(QQ,3,order=TermOrder('wdeglex',(1,2,3)))  
sage: x > y  
False  
sage: x > x^2  
False  
sage: x > 1  
True  
sage: x^1*y^2 > x^2*z  
False  
sage: y*z > x^3*y  
False
```

# Using SAGE and monomial orders

```
sage: P.<x,y,z>=  
PolynomialRing(QQ,3,order=TermOrder('wdegrevlex',(1,2,3)))  
sage: x > y  
False  
sage: x > x^2  
False  
sage: x > 1  
True  
sage: x^1*y^2 > x^2*z  
True  
sage: y*z > x^3*y  
False
```

# Examples of monomial orders

## More examples

- **Matrix induced order** Let  $M$  be a square  $n \times n$  matrix for every  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$  we say  $\alpha >_M \beta$  if

$$M\alpha >_{\text{lex}} M\beta$$

- Let  $>_1$  a monomial order on  $\mathbb{Z}_+^n$  and  $>_2$  a monomial order on  $\mathbb{Z}_+^m$ . The **product order** (or block order)  $> := (>_1, >_2)$  on  $\mathbb{Z}_+^{n+m}$  is defined as:  $(\alpha_1, \beta_1) > (\alpha_2, \beta_2)$  if

$$\alpha_1 >_1 \alpha_2 \quad \text{or} \quad \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 \quad \text{and} \quad \beta_1 >_2 \beta_2$$

## Using SAGE and monomial orders

```
sage: m = matrix(2,[2,3,0,1]); m
[2 3]
[0 1]
sage: T = TermOrder(m); T
Matrix term order with matrix
[2 3]
[0 1]
sage: P.<a,b> = PolynomialRing(QQ,2,order=T)
sage: P
Multivariate Polynomial Ring in a, b over Rational Field
sage: a > b
False
sage: a^3 < b^2
True
sage: S = TermOrder('M(2,3,0,1)')
sage: T == S
```

# Using SAGE and monomial orders

```
sage: P.<a,b,c,d,e,f> =  
PolynomialRing(QQ, 6,order='degrevlex(4),neglex(2)')  
sage: a > c^4  
False  
sage: a > e^4  
True  
sage: e > f^2  
False
```

## Using SAGE and monomial orders

```
sage: T1 = TermOrder('degrevlex',4)
sage: T2 = TermOrder('neglex',2)
sage: T = T1 + T2
sage: P.<a,b,c,d,e,f> = PolynomialRing(QQ, 6, order=T)
sage: a > c^4
False
sage: a > e^4
True
```

# Leading terms

## Definition

Fix a monomial order  $>$  and let  $f \in k[\mathbf{x}]$  be nonzero. Write

$$f = c_{\alpha} \mathbf{x}^{\alpha} + \text{terms with exponent vectors } \beta \neq \alpha$$

such that  $c \neq 0$  and  $\mathbf{x}^{\alpha} > \mathbf{x}^{\beta}$  whenever  $\mathbf{x}^{\beta}$  appears in a nonzero term of  $f$ , then:

- $LT(f) = c\mathbf{x}^{\alpha} = in(f)$  is the **leading term** or **initial term** of  $f$
- $LM(f) = \mathbf{x}^{\alpha}$  is the **leading monomial** of  $f$
- $LC(f) = c$  is the **leading coefficient** of  $f$



# Using SAGE and monomial orders

```
sage: t = TermOrder('negwdeglex', (1,2,3))
sage: P.<x,y,z> = PolynomialRing(QQbar, 3, order=t)
sage: f=x^2+2*x*y^2; f.lt()
2*x*y^2
sage: f=x^2+2*x*y^2; f.lm()
x*y^2
sage: f=x^2+2*x*y^2; f.lc()
2
```

# Ideals

## Definition

- An **ideal** is a subset  $I \subset k[\mathbf{x}]$  satisfying:
  - $0 \in I$
  - If  $f, g \in I$  then  $f + g \in I$
  - If  $f \in I$  and  $h \in k[\mathbf{x}]$ , then  $hf \in I$
- Given an ideal  $I$ , we define an **affine variety**  $V(I)$

$$V(I) = \{\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{A}^n \mid f(\mathbf{z}) = 0 \text{ for all } f \in I\}$$

# Ideals

## The Hilbert Basis Theorem

Every ideal  $I \subset k[\mathbf{x}]$  is finitely generated, i.e., there exists  $g_1, \dots, g_t \in I$  such that

$$I = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^t h_i g_i \mid h_1, \dots, h_t \in k[\mathbf{x}] \right\}$$

We note  $I = \langle g_1, \dots, g_t \rangle$

If  $I = \langle g_1, \dots, g_t \rangle$ , then

$$V(I) = \{ \mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{A}^n \mid g_i(\mathbf{z}) = 0 \quad i = 0, \dots, t \}$$

# Nullstellensatz

## The Weak Nullstellensatz

Fix an ideal  $I \subset k[\mathbf{x}]$  where  $k$  is algebraically closed

$$V(I) = \emptyset \Leftrightarrow I = k[\mathbf{x}]$$

## Hilbert's Nullstellensatz

The polynomials  $f, f_1, \dots, f_s \in k[\mathbf{x}]$  satisfy the relation  $f \in I(V(\langle f_1, \dots, f_s \rangle)) \Leftrightarrow f^m \in \langle f_1, \dots, f_s \rangle$  for some  $m \geq 1$

# Division Algorithm

## Division Algorithm

Given nonzero polynomials  $f, f_1, \dots, f_s \in k[\mathbf{x}]$  and a monomial order  $>$ , there exist  $r, q_1, \dots, q_s \in k[\mathbf{x}]$  with the following properties:

- $f = q_1 f_1 + \dots + q_s f_s + r$
- No term of  $r$  is divisible by any of  $LT(f_1), \dots, LT(f_s)$
- $LT(f) = \max\{LT(q_i)LT(f_i), q_i \neq 0\}$

## Definition

Any representation

$$f = q_1 f_1 + \dots + q_s f_s$$

satisfying the third bullet is a **standard representation** of  $f$

# Division Algorithm

## Definition

Let  $f, g \in k[\mathbf{x}]$  with  $LM(f) = \mathbf{x}^\alpha$ ,  $LM(g) = \mathbf{x}^\beta$ . Set  $\gamma = lcm(\alpha, \beta) = (\max\{\alpha_1, \beta_1\}, \dots, \max\{\alpha_n, \beta_n\})$

We define the **S polynomial** of  $f$  and  $g$  as

$$S(f, g) = \mathbf{x}^{\gamma-\alpha} f - \frac{LC(f)}{LC(g)} \mathbf{x}^{\gamma-\beta} g$$

## Definition

Let  $f \in k[\mathbf{x}]$ ,  $G \subset k[\mathbf{x}]$   $f$  is **reduced** wrt  $G$  if no monomial of  $f$  is contained in  $\langle LM(g) \mid g \in G \rangle$

# Division Algorithm

Computing Normal Form;

**Data:**  $f \in k[\mathbf{x}]$ ,  $G \subset k[\mathbf{x}]$

**Result:**  $NF(f, G)$

$h = f$ ;

**while**  $h \neq 0$  and  $G_h = \{g \in G \mid LM(g) \text{ divides } LM(h)\} \neq \emptyset$  **do**

    | choose  $g \in G_h$ ;

    |  $h = S(h, g)$ ;

**end**

**return**  $h$ ;

# Initial Ideal

## Definition

Given an ideal  $I \subset k[\mathbf{x}]$  and a monomial order  $>$ , the **initial ideal** is the monomial ideal

$$\text{in}(I) = \langle LT(f) \mid f \in I \rangle$$

If  $I = \langle f_1, \dots, f_s \rangle$  then

$$\langle LT(f_1), \dots, LT(f_s) \rangle \subset \text{in}(I)$$

though equality need not occur.



# Gröbner bases

## Definition

Given an ideal  $I \subset k[\mathbf{x}]$  a finite set  $G \subset I \setminus \{0\}$  is a **Gröbner basis** for  $I$  under  $>$  if

$$\langle LT(g) \mid g \in G \rangle = in(I)$$

## Definition

A Gröbner basis  $G$  is **reduced** if for every  $g \in G$

- $LT(g)$  divides no term of any element of  $G \setminus \{g\}$
- $LC(g) = 1$

## Theorem

Every ideal has a unique reduced Gröbner basis under  $>$

# Gröbner bases

## Property

Given an ideal  $I \subset k[\mathbf{x}]$  and  $G \subset I$  a Gröbner basis.

- $f \in I \Leftrightarrow NF(f, G) = 0$
- If  $NF(-, G)$  is reduced then it is unique

## Buchberger's Criterion

Given an ideal  $I \subset k[\mathbf{x}]$  and  $G \subset I$ . The following are equivalent:

- $G$  is a Gröbner basis of  $I$
- $NF(f, G) = 0$  for all  $f \in I$
- $I = \langle G \rangle$  and  $NF(S(g, g'), G) = 0$  for all  $g, g' \in G$

## Using SAGE and ideals

```
sage: R= PolynomialRing(QQ, 'x', 5, order='lex')
sage: I=R.ideal([x0-3*x1+5*x2-7*x3-5,
x1+2*x3-x4+1,x0-2*x1+4*x3-5*x4,x2+x3+x4])
sage: B=I.groebner_basis()
sage: B
[x0 + 3, x1 + 15/14*x4 + 17/14,
x2 - 5/14*x4 - 15/14, x3 - 5/7*x4 - 1/7]
```

# Using SAGE and ideals

```
sage: x,y,z = QQ['x,y,z'].gens()
sage: I = ideal(x^5 + y^4 + z^3 - 1,
x^3 + y^3 + z^2 - 1)
sage: B = I.groebner_basis()
sage: B
[y^6+x*y^4+2*y^3*z^2+x*z^3+z^4-2*y^3-2*z^2-x+1,
x^2*y^3-y^4+x^2*z^2-z^3-x^2+1,
x^3+y^3+z^2-1]
sage: f,g,h = B
sage: (2*x*f + g).reduce(B)
0
```

# Using SAGE and ideals

```
sage: (2*x*f + g) in I
True
```

```
sage: (2*x*f + 2*z*h + y^3).reduce(B)
y^3
```

```
sage: (2*x*f + 2*z*h + y^3) in I
False
```

# Nullstellensatz and Gröbner bases

## Theorem

Given an ideal  $I \subset k[\mathbf{x}]$  where  $k$  is algebraically closed, the following are equivalent:

- $I \neq k[\mathbf{x}]$
- $1 \notin I$
- $V(I) \neq \emptyset$
- $I$  has a Gröbner basis consisting of nonconstant polynomials
- $I$  has a reduced Gröbner basis  $\neq \{1\}$

# Nullstellensatz and Gröbner bases, 0 dimensional case

## Theorem

Given an ideal  $I \subset k[\mathbf{x}]$  where  $k$  is algebraically closed, the following are equivalent:

- $V(I) \subset \mathbb{A}^n$  is finite
- $k[\mathbf{x}]/I$  is a finite-dimensional vector space
- Only finitely many monomials are not in  $\text{in}(I)$

# Using SAGE and ideals

```
sage: x,y,z = QQ['x,y,z'].gens()
sage: I=ideal(x^2*z-y,x^2+x*y-y*z,x*z^2+x*z-x)
sage: B=I.groebner_basis()
sage: B
[x^2 - y*z - y, x*y + y, x*z^2 + x*z - x,
y^2 - y*z, y*z^2 + y*z - y]
sage: I.dimension()
1
```



# Elimination

## Definition

Given an ideal  $I \subset k[\mathbf{x}]$  the  $l$ -th elimination ideal  $I_l$  is

$$I_l = I \cap k[x_{l+1}, \dots, x_n]$$

## The Elimination Theorem

Given an ideal  $I \subset k[\mathbf{x}]$  and let  $G$  be the Gröbner basis with respect to the lexicographic order, where  $x_1 > x_2 > \dots > x_n$ . Then for every  $0 \leq l \leq n - 1$  the set

$$G_l = G \cap k[x_{l+1}, \dots, x_n]$$

is a Gröbner basis of the  $l$ -th elimination ideal  $I_l$

# Elimination

## The Extension Theorem

Let  $I = \langle q_1, \dots, q_s \rangle \subset k[\mathbf{x}]$  and let  $I_1$  be the first elimination ideal of  $I$ . For each  $1 \leq i \leq s$  we can write  $q_i$  in the form

$$q_i = h_i(x_2, \dots, x_n)x_1^{N_i} + \text{terms with } x_1 \text{ smaller degree than } N_i$$

where  $N_i \geq 0$  and  $h_i \neq 0$ .

If

$$(a_2, \dots, a_n) \in V(I_1)$$

and

$$(a_2, \dots, a_n) \notin V(h_1, \dots, h_s),$$

then there exists  $a_1 \in k$  such that  $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \in V(I)$

# Using SAGE and ideals

```
sage: x,y,z = QQ['x,y,z'].gens()
sage: I=ideal(x^2*z-1,x^2+x*y-y*z,x*z^2+x*z-x)
sage: B=I.groebner_basis()
sage: B
[x + (-2)*y*z + 2*y + z, y^2+y*z+y-z-3/2, z^2+z-1]
sage: I.dimension()
0
```

# Stable sets

## Stable sets

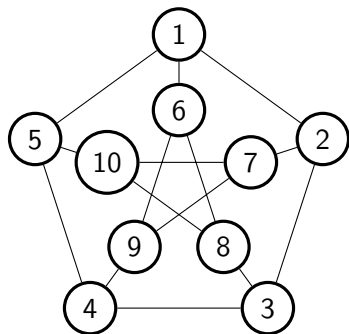
Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph. For a given positive integer  $k$ , consider the following polynomial system:

$$x_i^2 - x_i = 0, \forall i \in V$$

$$x_i x_j = 0, \forall (i, j) \in E,$$

$$\sum_{i \in V} x_i = k$$

This system is feasible if and only if  $G$  has a stable set of size  $k$ .



Is there a stable set of size 5 for the Petersen graph?

## Using SAGE and ideals

```
sage: R.<x1,x2,x3,x4,x5,x6,x7,x8,x9,x10> =  
PolynomialRing(QQ,order='lex')  
sage: I=R.ideal([x1^2-x1,x2^2-x2,x3^2-x3,  
x4^2-x4,x5^2-x5,x6^2-x6,x7^2-x7,x8^2-x8,  
x9^2-x9,x10^2-x10,x1*x2,x1*x5,x1*x6,x2*x3,  
x2*x7,x3*x4,x3*x8,x4*x9,x4*x5,x5*x10,  
x6*x8,x6*x9,x7*x9,x7*x10,x8*x10,  
x1+x2+x3+x4+x5+x6+x7+x8+x9+x10-5])  
sage: B=I.groebner_basis()  
sage: B  
[1]
```

```
sage: I=R.ideal([x1^2-x1,x2^2-x2,x3^2-x3,
x4^2-x4,x5^2-x5,x6^2-x6,x7^2-x7,x8^2-x8,
x9^2-x9,x10^2-x10,x1*x2,x1*x5,x1*x6,x2*x3,
x2*x7,x3*x4,x3*x8,x4*x9,x4*x5,x5*x10,
x6*x8,x6*x9,x7*x9,x7*x10,x8*x10,
x1+x2+x3+x4+x5+x6+x7+x8+x9+x10-4])
sage: B=I.groebner_basis()
sage: B
[x1 -x8-2*x9*x10+x9, x2+2*x9*x10-x9-x10,
x3+x8-x9*x10+x10-1, x4-x8+x9-x10,
x5+x8+x9*x10-x9+x10-1,
x6+x8+x9*x10-1, x7-x9*x10+x9+x10-1,
x8^2-x8, x8*x9+x9*x10-x9,
x8*x10, x9^2-x9, x10^2-x10]
sage: I.dimension()
0
```

```
sage: I.normal_basis()  
[x9*x10, x10, x9, x8, 1]
```

There are 5 solutions. We can construct them from the Gröbner basis. Looking at the normal basis, we can start fixing  $x_{10} = 1$  then:

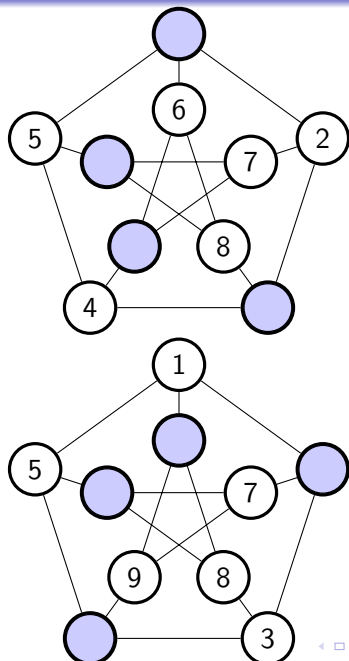


```

sage: I=R.ideal([x1^2-x1,x2^2-x2,x3^2-x3,
x4^2-x4,x5^2-x5,x6^2-x6,x7^2-x7,x8^2-x8,
x9^2-x9,x10^2-x10,x1*x2,x1*x5,x1*x6,x2*x3,
x2*x7,x3*x4,x3*x8,x4*x9,x4*x5,x5*x10,
x6*x8,x6*x9,x7*x9,x7*x10,x8*x10,
x1+x2+x3+x4+x5+x6+x7+x8+x9+x10-4,x10-1])
sage: B=I.groebner_basis()
sage: B
[x1 -x9, x2+x9-1, x3-x9, x4+x9-1, x5,
x6+x9-1, x7, x8, x9^2-x9, x10-1]
sage: I.normal_basis()
[x9, 1]

```

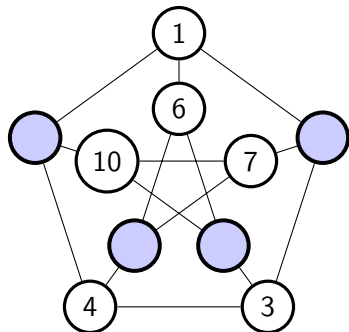
If  $x_9 = 1$ , we have the solution  $\{1, 3, 9, 10\}$ , if  $x_9 = 0$  the solution is  $\{2, 4, 6, 10\}$



If we choose  $x_{10} = 0$

```
sage: I=R.ideal([x1^2-x1,x2^2-x2,x3^2-x3,
x4^2-x4,x5^2-x5,x6^2-x6,x7^2-x7,x8^2-x8,
x9^2-x9,x10^2-x10,x1*x2,x1*x5,x1*x6,x2*x3,
x2*x7,x3*x4,x3*x8,x4*x9,x4*x5,x5*x10,
x6*x8,x6*x9,x7*x9,x7*x10,x8*x10,
x1+x2+x3+x4+x5+x6+x7+x8+x9+x10-4,x10])
sage: B=I.groebner_basis()
sage: B
[x1 -x8+x9, x2-x9, x3+x8-1, x4-x8+x9,
x5+x8-x9-1, x6+x8-1, x7+x9-1, x8^2-x8,
x8*x9-x9, x9^2-x9, x10]
sage: I.normal_basis()
[x9, x8, 1]
```

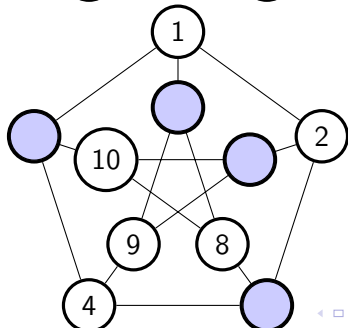
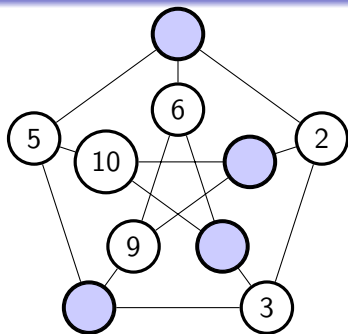
If  $x_9 = 1$ , we have the solution  $\{2, 5, 8, 9\}$



If we choose  $x_{10} = 0$  and  $x_9 = 0$

```
sage: I=R.ideal([x1^2-x1,x2^2-x2,x3^2-x3,
x4^2-x4,x5^2-x5,x6^2-x6,x7^2-x7,x8^2-x8,
x9^2-x9,x10^2-x10,x1*x2,x1*x5,x1*x6,x2*x3,
x2*x7,x3*x4,x3*x8,x4*x9,x4*x5,x5*x10,
x6*x8,x6*x9,x7*x9,x7*x10,x8*x10,
x1+x2+x3+x4+x5+x6+x7+x8+x9+x10-4,x10,x9])
sage: B=I.groebner_basis()
sage: B
[x1-x8, x2, x3+x8-1, x4-x8, x5+x8-1,
x6+x8-1, x7-1,x8^2-x8, x9, x10]
sage: I.normal_basis()
[x8, 1]
```

If  $x_8 = 1$ , we have the solution  $\{1, 4, 7, 8\}$ , if  $x_8 = 0$  the solution is  $\{3, 5, 6, 7\}$



# $k$ -Colorable graphs

## $k$ -Colorable graphs

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph. For a positive integer  $k$ , consider the following polynomial system of  $|V| + |E|$  equations:

$$x_i^k - 1 = 0, \forall i \in V$$

$$\sum_{s=0}^{k-1} x_i^{k-1-s} x_j^s = 0, \forall (i, j) \in E,$$

The graph  $G$  is  $k$ -colorable if and only if this system has a complex solution. Furthermore, when  $k$  is odd,  $G$  is  $k$ -colorable if and only if this system has a common root over  $\overline{\mathbb{F}_2}$ , the algebraic closure of the finite field with two elements.

## $k$ -Colorable graphs

We are using the Nullstellensatz over  $\mathbb{C}$  an algebraically closed ring. The equation  $x_i^k - 1 = 0$ , assign a  $k$ -th root of unity to each vertex (a color).

If we take an edge  $(i, j)$ , as these vertices have a color,

$$0 = 1 - 1 = x_i^k - x_j^k = (x_i - x_j)(x_i^{k-1} + x_i^{k-2}x_j + \cdots + x_j^{k-1})$$

As those vertices are joined by an edge they have different colors, then the second factor must be zero

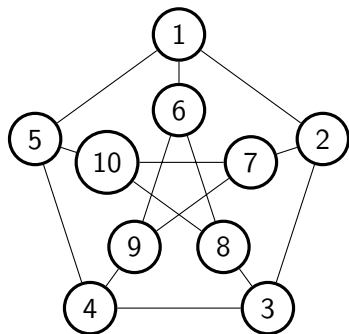


## $k$ -Colorable graphs

Conversely, if there is solution of the above polynomials, we have a color for each vertex. We need to prove that any adjacent vertex has different color. If  $(i, j)$  is an edge and both vertices have the same root of unity  $\beta$ , then

$$x_i^{k-1} + x_i^{k-2}x_j + \cdots + x_j^{k-1} = \beta^{k-1} + \beta^{k-1} + \cdots + \beta^{k-1} = k\beta^{k-1} = 0$$

Over  $\mathbb{C}$  clearly  $\beta = 0$ .



Is the Petersen graph 3-colorable?

## Using SAGE and ideals

```
sage: R.<x1,x2,x3,x4,x5,x6,x7,x8,x9,x10> =  
PolynomialRing(QQ,order='lex')  
sage: I=R.ideal([x1^3-1,x2^3-1,x3^3-1,  
x4^3-1,x5^3-1,x6^3-1,x7^3-1,x8^3-1,  
x9^3-1,x10^3-1,x1^2+x1*x2+x2^2,  
x1^2+x1*x5+x5^2,  
...  
x8^2+x8*x10+x10^2])  
sage: B=I.groebner_basis()  
sage: B  
Polynomial Sequence with 33 Polynomials in 10 Variables  
sage: I.dimension()  
0  
sage: I.normal_basis()  
Polynomial Sequence with 120 Polynomials in 10 Variables
```

# Applications to binary optimization

Let  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{Z}^{m \times n}$  and  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{Z}^m$  and consider the system

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{Ax} &= \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{x} &\in \{0, 1\}^n\end{aligned}$$

We can use the polynomial  $x_i^2 - x_i = 0$  to assure  $x_i \in \{0, 1\}$

Let  $f_1 = \mathbf{a}_i \mathbf{x} - b_i$  and  $g_i = x_i^2 - x_i$

Then

$$I = \langle f_1, \dots, f_m, g_1, \dots, g_n \rangle$$

Feasible and Gröbner basis;

**Data:**  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{Z}^{m \times n}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{Z}^m$

**Result:** A feasible solution  $(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  or a infeasibility certificate

Compute  $G$  Gröbner basis of the ideal  $J$  for lex order  $x_1 > \dots > x_n$ ;

**if**  $G \neq \{1\}$  **then**

  for  $1 \leq l \leq n$  consider  $G_l = G \cap k[x_{l+1}, \dots, x_n]$ ;

  Starting from index  $n - 1$ ;

  Find  $a_n \in V(G_{n-1})$ ;

  Extend  $a_n$  to  $(a_{n-1}, a_n)$  such that  $(a_{n-1}, a_n) \in V(G_{n-2})$ ;

  ...;

**return**  $(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ ;

**else**

  | There is no feasible solution

**end**

# Using SAGE and binary optimization

Consider the system

$$x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 + 4x_4 + 5x_5 + 15x_6 = 15 \quad \mathbf{x} \in \{0, 1\}^6$$

```
sage: R.<x1,x2,x3,x4,x5,x6> = PolynomialRing(QQ,order='lex')
sage: I=R.ideal([x1^2-x1,x2^2-x2,x3^2-x3,x4^2-x4,
x5^2-x5,x6^2-x6,x1+2*x2+3*x3+4*x4+5*x5+15*x6-15])
sage: B=I.groebner_basis()
sage: B
[x1+x6-1, x2+x6-1, x3+x6-1, x4+x6-1, x5 +x6-1,
x6^2 -x6]
```

## Using SAGE and binary optimization

Consider the system

$$x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 + 4x_4 + 6x_5 = 6 \quad \mathbf{x} \in \{0, 1\}^5$$

```
sage: R.<x1,x2,x3,x4,x5> = PolynomialRing(QQ,order='lex')
sage: I=R.ideal([x1^2-x1,x2^2-x2,x3^2-x3,
x4^2-x4,x5^2-x5,x1+2*x2+3*x3+4*x4+6*x5-6])
sage: B=I.groebner_basis()
sage: B
[x1 + x4 + x5 - 1, x2 + x5 - 1, x3 + x4 + x5 - 1,
x4^2 - x4, x4*x5, x5^2- x5]
```

# Applications to binary optimization

We next use Gröbner bases to solve the optimization problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \mathbf{c}'\mathbf{x} \\ \text{subject to} \quad & \mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b} \\ & \mathbf{x} \in \{0, 1\}^n \end{aligned}$$

We can use the polynomial  $h = y - \sum_{j=1}^n c_j x_j$

We let  $f_1 = \mathbf{a}_i \mathbf{x} - b_i$  and  $g_i = x_i^2 - x_i$

Then

$$I = \langle f_1, \dots, f_m, g_1, \dots, g_n, h \rangle$$

and a term order such that  $x_1 > \dots > x_n > y$



Consider the problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 + 3x_4 \\ \text{subject to} \quad & x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 + x_4 = 3 \\ & \mathbf{x} \in \{0, 1\}^4 \end{aligned}$$

```
sage: R.<x1,x2,x3,x4,y> = PolynomialRing(QQ,order='lex')
sage: I=R.ideal([x1^2-x1,x2^2-x2,x3^2-x3,x4^2-x4,
x1+x2+2*x3+x4-3,y-x1-2*x2-3*x3-3*x4])
sage: B=I.groebner_basis()
sage: B
[x1 + x3 - 1/2*y^2 + 11/2*y - 16,
 x2 + x3 + y^2 - 10*y + 23,
 x3^2 - x3,
 x3*y - 6*x3 - y + 6,
 x4 - 1/2*y^2 + 9/2*y - 10,
 y^3 - 15*y^2 + 74*y - 120]
```

# Applications to optimization

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \mathbf{c}'\mathbf{x} \\ \text{subject to} \quad & \mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b} \\ & \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}^n \end{aligned}$$

with  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{Z}_+^{m \times n}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{Z}_+^m$ ,  $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$ . We introduce a new variable  $z_i$  for the  $i$ -constraint, so

$$z_i^{a_{i1}x_1 + \dots + a_{in}x_n} = z_i^{b_i}$$

$$\prod_{i=1}^m \prod_{j=1}^n (z_i^{a_{ij}})^{x_j} = \prod_{j=1}^n \prod_{i=1}^m (z_i^{a_{ij}})^{x_j} = \prod_{j=1}^n \left( \prod_{i=1}^m z_i^{a_{ij}} \right)^{x_j} = \prod_{i=1}^m z_i^{b_i}$$

## Applications to optimization

We define the mapping  $\phi : k[w_1, \dots, w_n] \rightarrow k[z_1, \dots, z_m]$  such that

$$\phi(w_j) = \prod_{i=1}^m z_i^{a_{ij}}$$

then, for  $g \in k[\mathbf{w}]$

$$\phi(g(w_1, \dots, w_n)) = g(\phi(w_1), \dots, \phi(w_n))$$

### Proposition

A vector  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$  is feasible if and only if  $\phi$  maps the monomial  $w_1^{x_1} \cdots w_n^{x_n}$  to the monomial  $\mathbf{z}^{\mathbf{b}}$

# Applications to optimization

If we consider the problem

$$\begin{array}{rccccrcr} 4x_1 + & 5x_2 & +x_3 & & & = & 37 \\ 2x_1 + & 3x_2 & & +x_4 & & = & 20 \end{array}$$

The mapping is given by

$$\phi(w_1) = z_1^4 z_2^2 \quad \phi(w_2) = z_1^5 z_2^3 \quad \phi(w_3) = z_1 \quad \phi(w_4) = z_2$$

The set of feasible solutions are all the integers points  $(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)$  such that

$$\phi(w_1^{x_1} w_2^{x_2} w_3^{x_3} w_4^{x_4}) = z_1^{37} z_2^{20}$$

# Applications to optimization

Let  $f_j = \phi(w_j) = \prod_{i=1}^m z_i^{a_{ij}}$ , we can consider the ideal

$$I = \langle f_1 - w_1, \dots, f_n - w_n \rangle \subset k[\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{w}]$$

and a term order, being an elimination order of  $\mathbf{z}$

```
sage: R.<z1,z2,w1,w2,w3,w4> =
PolynomialRing(QQ,order='lex')
sage: I=R.ideal([z1^4*z2^2-w1,z1^5*z2^3-w2,z1-w3,z2-w4])
sage: B=I.groebner_basis()
sage: B
[z1 - w3, z2 - w4, w1 - w3^4*w4^2, w2 - w3^5*w4^3]
sage: (z1^37*z2^20).reduce(B)
w3^37*w4^20
```

```
sage: T1 = TermOrder('lex',2)
T2 = TermOrder('wdeglex',(1,2,3,4))
sage: R.<z1,z2,w1,w2,w3,w4> =
PolynomialRing(QQ,order=T1+T2)
sage: I=R.ideal([z1^4*z2^2-w1,z1^5*z2^3-w2,z1-w3,z2-w4])
sage: B=I.groebner_basis()
sage: B
[z1-w3, z2-w4, w3^4*w4^2-w1,
w2*w3^3*w4-w1^2, w1^5*w4^2-w2^4,
w2^2*w3^2 - w1^3, w2^3*w3 - w1^4*w4, w1*w3*w4 - w2]
sage: (z1^37*z2^20).reduce(B)
w1^8*w2*w4
```

Solving LIPP;

**Data:**  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{Z}_+^{m \times n}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{Z}_+^m$ ,  $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$

**Result:** The solution  $(x_1^*, \dots, x_n^*)$  or a infeasibility certificate

Compute  $G$  Gröbner basis of the ideal  $I$  for term order such that

$z_1 > \dots > z_m > w_1 > \dots > w_n$  and  $\mathbf{c}'\mathbf{x}_1 > \mathbf{c}'\mathbf{x}_2$  then  $\mathbf{w}^{x_1} > \mathbf{w}^{x_2}$ ;

**if**  $g = NF(\prod_{i=1}^m z_i^{b_i}, G) \in k[\mathbf{w}]$  **then**

$g = w_1^{x_1^*} \cdots w_n^{x_n^*}$ ;

**return**  $(x_1^*, \dots, x_n^*)$ ;

**else**

| There is no feasible solution

**end**

# Applications to optimization

If we consider the problem

$$\begin{array}{rclcl} 2x_1 + & -x_2 & +x_3 & = & 4 \\ -x_1 + & 2x_2 & & = & 5 \end{array}$$

The mapping can be extended by

$$\phi(w_1) = \frac{z_1^2}{z_2} \quad \phi(w_2) = \frac{z_2^2}{z_1} \quad \phi(w_3) = z_1$$

So

$$J = \langle w_1 z_2 - z_1^2, w_2 z_1 - z_2^2, w_3 - z_1 \rangle$$



```
sage: R.<z1,z2,w1,w2,w3> =  
PolynomialRing(QQ,order='lex')  
sage: I=R.ideal([z1^2-w1*z2,z2^2-w2*z1,z1-w3])  
sage: B=I.groebner_basis()  
sage: B  
[z1-w3, z2^2-w2*w3, z2*w1-w3^2,  
z2*w3^2-w1*w2*w3, w1^2*w2*w3 -w3^4]  
sage: (w1^2*w2-w3^3).reduce(B)  
w1^2*w2-w3^3
```

# Applications to optimization

We consider now the general case

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \mathbf{c}'\mathbf{x} \\ \text{subject to} \quad & \mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b} \\ & \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}^n \end{aligned}$$

with  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{Z}^{m \times n}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{Z}^m$ ,  $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$ . The mapping

$\phi : k[w_1, \dots, w_n] \rightarrow k[z_1, \dots, z_m, z_1^{-1}, \dots, z_m^{-1}]$  such that

$$\phi(w_j) = \prod_{i=1}^m z_i^{a_{ij}}$$

We can always write any column  $\mathbf{a}_j = \mathbf{a}_j^+ - \mathbf{a}_j^-$  with  $\mathbf{a}_j^+, \mathbf{a}_j^- \geq \mathbf{0}$

We introduce the polynomials:

$$I = \langle \mathbf{z}^{\mathbf{a}_j^-} w_j - \mathbf{z}^{\mathbf{a}_j^+}, 1 - tz_1 \cdots z_m \rangle$$

```
sage: R.<t,z1,z2,w1,w2,w3> =  
PolynomialRing(QQ,order='lex')  
sage: I=R.ideal([z1^2-w1*z2,z2^2-w2*z1,z1-w3,1-t*z1*z2])  
sage: B=I.groebner_basis()  
sage: B  
[t*w1*w2-1, t*w2*w3^2-z2, t*w3^3-w1, z1 -w3, z2^2-w2*w3,  
z2*w1-w3^2, z2*w3 - w1*w2, w1^2*w2 - w3^3]  
sage: (w1^2*w2-w3^3).reduce(B)  
0
```

```
sage: T1 = TermOrder('lex',3)
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sage: R.<t,z1,z2,w1,w2,w3>=PolynomialRing(QQ,order=T1+T2)
sage: I=R.ideal([z1^2-w1*z2,z2^2-w2*z1,z1-w3,1-t*z1*z2])
sage: B=I.groebner_basis()
sage: B
[t*w2*w3^2-z2, t*w1*w2-1, z1-w3, z2^2-w2*w3,
z2*w3-w1*w2, z2*w1-w3^2, w3^3-w1^2*w2]
sage: (z1^4*z2^5).reduce(B)
w1^3*w2^4*w3^2
```

## Improving the algorithm

We are considering

$$I = \langle \mathbf{z}^{\mathbf{a}_j^-} w_j - \mathbf{z}^{\mathbf{a}_j^+}, 1 - tz_1 \cdots z_m \rangle$$

Given  $G$  a Gröbner basis with respect to a term order which eliminates  $t$  and  $\mathbf{z}$  we have that  $G \cap k[\mathbf{w}]$  is a Gröbner basis of the ideal:

$$I \cap k[\mathbf{w}] = I_A$$

Given  $g(\mathbf{w}) \in I \cap k[\mathbf{w}] \Rightarrow g(\mathbf{w}) \in \ker(\phi) = I_A$

This ideal is called the **toric ideal** of  $\mathbf{A}$  and it does not depend on the right hand side of the constraints

# Improving the algorithm

## Proposition

The toric ideal  $I_A$  is a  $k$ -vector space spanned by the binomials:

$$\{\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}} - \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{v}} : \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n\}$$

and therefore

$$I_A = \langle \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}} - \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{v}} : \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n \rangle$$

## Improving the algorithm

Using Hilbert's basis theorem, there exist a finite number of binomials which generate  $I_A$ . We can restrict to binomials  $\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}} - \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{v}}$  with disjoint support, that is,  $\text{supp}(\mathbf{u}) \cap \text{supp}(\mathbf{v}) = \emptyset$ . If not

$$\gcd(\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{v}}) = \mathbf{x}^{\gamma} \Rightarrow \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}-\gamma} - \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{v}-\gamma} \in I_A$$

can replace the previous element in the set of generators. Any  $\mathbf{w} \in \ker(A) \cap \mathbb{Z}^n$  can be expressed as a binomial with disjoint support

$$\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{w}^+} - \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{w}^-}$$

## Improving the algorithm

Fixed  $>$  a term order and  $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}_+^n$ , we define the product order  $>_{\mathbf{c}}$  as

$$\alpha >_{\mathbf{c}} \beta \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \mathbf{c}'\alpha > \mathbf{c}'\beta & \text{or} \\ \mathbf{c}'\alpha = \mathbf{c}'\beta & \text{and } \alpha > \beta \end{cases}$$

### Theorem

Let  $>$  be any term order,  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{Z}^{m \times n}$  a fixed matrix, and  $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}_+^n$  a fixed cost vector. Moreover, let  $G_{>_{\mathbf{c}}}$  be the reduced minimal Gröbner basis of  $I_{\mathbf{A}}$  with respect to  $>_{\mathbf{c}}$ . Then for any right-hand side vector  $\mathbf{b}$  and any nonoptimal feasible solution  $\mathbf{z}_0$  there is some binomial  $\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}} - \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{v}} \in G_{>_{\mathbf{c}}}$  such that  $\mathbf{z}_0 - \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$  is a better feasible solution than  $\mathbf{z}_0$ .



# Improving the algorithm

During the Buchberger algorithm, one must check whether the  $S$ -polynomial of every critical pair reduces to 0. Checking reduction to 0 is computationally expensive.

The project-and-lift algorithms to compute generating sets and Gröbner bases of lattice ideals are implemented in the software package `4ti2`

`4ti2` can be called from sage

```
sage: from sage.interfaces.four_ti_2 import four_ti_2
sage: four_ti_2.write_matrix([[2,-1,1],[-1,2,0]],
"test_file.mat")
sage: four_ti_2.write_matrix([[1,2,3]], "test_file.cost")
sage: four_ti_2.call("groebner", "test_file", False)
sage: four_ti_2.read_matrix("test_file.gro")
[-2 -1  3]
```

We are interested in solving the minimum number of nickels and quarters, such that using pennies (1ct), nickels (5ct), dimes (10ct) and quarters (25ct), they sum up 99 cents and they are exactly 11 coins, that is:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & x_2 + x_4 \\ \text{subject to} & x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 11 \\ & x_1 + 5x_2 + 10x_3 + 25x_4 = 99 \end{array}$$

```
sage: from sage.interfaces.four_ti_2 import four_ti_2
sage: four_ti_2.write_matrix([[1,1,1,1],[1,5,10,25]],
    "4coins.mat")
sage: four_ti_2.write_matrix([[0,1,0,1]],"4coins.cost")
sage: four_ti_2.call("groebner", "4coins", False)
sage: four_ti_2.write_matrix([[4,4,0,3]],"4coins.feas")
sage: four_ti_2.call("normalform","4coins")
sage: four_ti_2.read_matrix("4coins.nf")
[4 1 4 2]
```

## Nonlinear integer programming with linear objective function

In this talk we introduce some **refinements** of a general setting to treat the following problem **(P)**:

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \mathbf{c}'\mathbf{x}, \\ \text{subject to} \quad & A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b} \\ & g_1(\mathbf{x}) \leq C_1 \\ & \vdots \\ & g_m(\mathbf{x}) \leq C_m, \\ & \mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)' \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n, \quad m \geq 1. \end{aligned}$$

with  $A$  an integer matrix, a **nonlinear integer programming** problem with **linear objective function**.

Our contributions give an alternative to treat real size problems in this form.

# Tayur, Thomas and Natraj '1995

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Their method can be generalized, in principle, to any (**P**) as the one described before. They used an idea of Sturmfels in *Convex Polytopes* to visit all the feasible points of a linear integer programming problem.

# Tayur, Thomas and Natraj '1995

The method is based on:

- The calculation of a **test set** for a linear subproblem **(LP)** of **(P)**.
- An inverse search process, called **walk-back**, in order to reach, starting at the optimum of **(LP)**, the optimum of **(P)**.



# Walk-back: test set

## Test-sets [cf. Schrijver '1998]

Given a integer linear programming

$$\min\{\mathbf{c}'\mathbf{x} \mid A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n\}$$

there exists a finite set  $\mathcal{T} = \{\mathbf{t}^1, \dots, \mathbf{t}^N\}$  (depending only on  $A$  and  $\mathbf{c}'$ ) that assures that a feasible solution  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is optimal if and only if

$$\mathbf{c}'(\mathbf{x}^* + \mathbf{t}^i) \geq \mathbf{c}'\mathbf{x}^*$$

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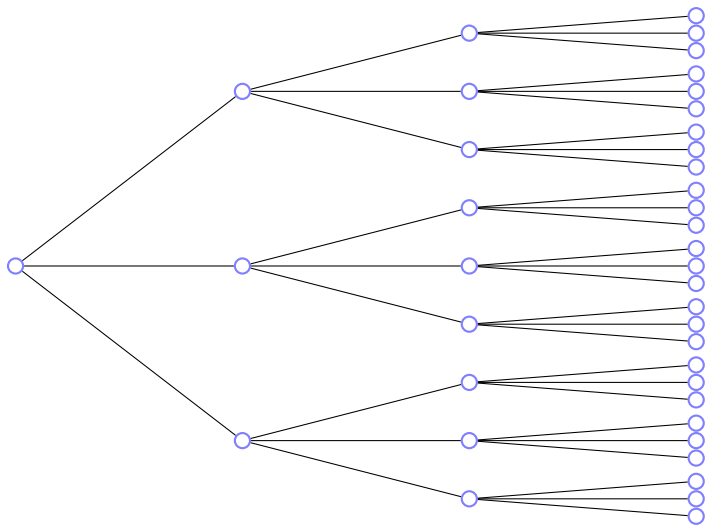
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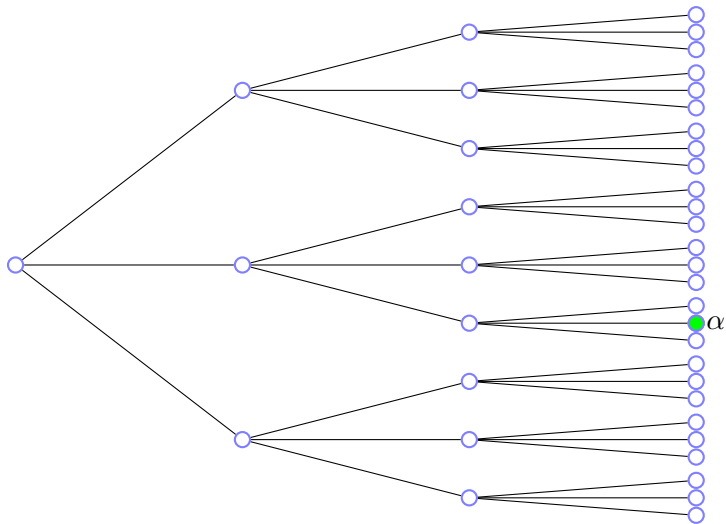
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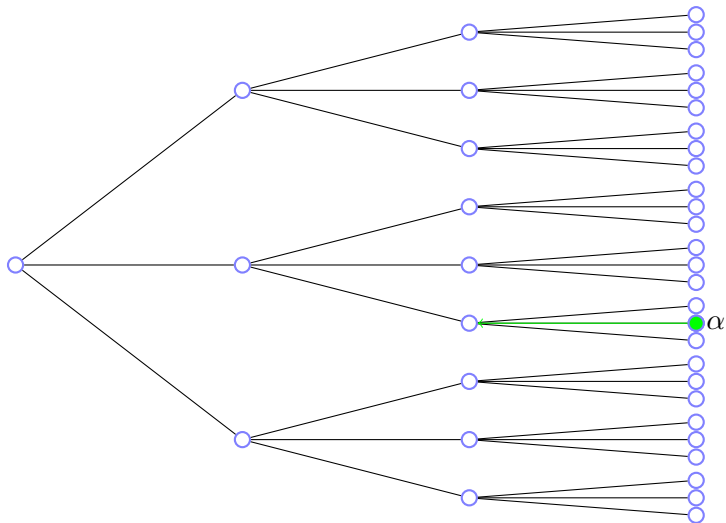
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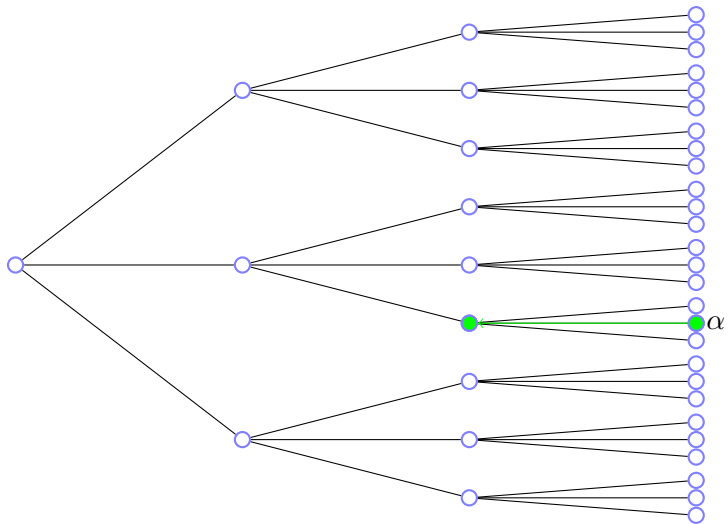
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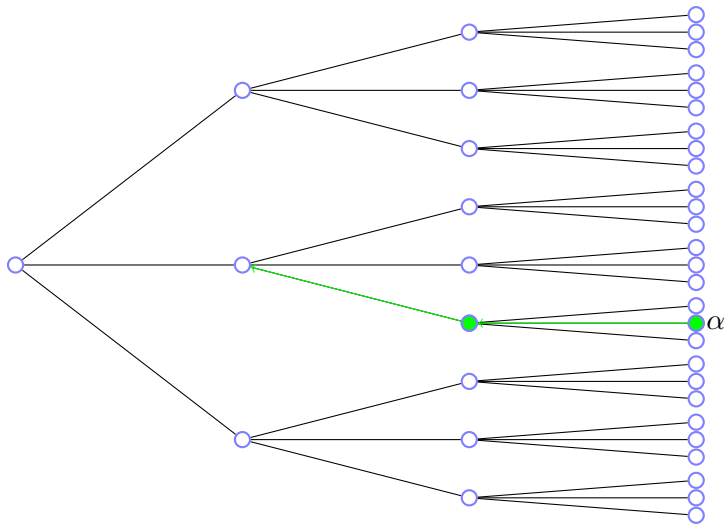


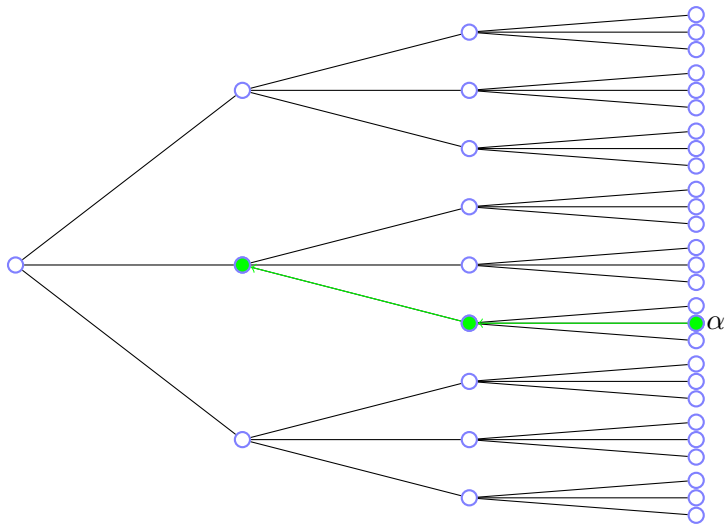


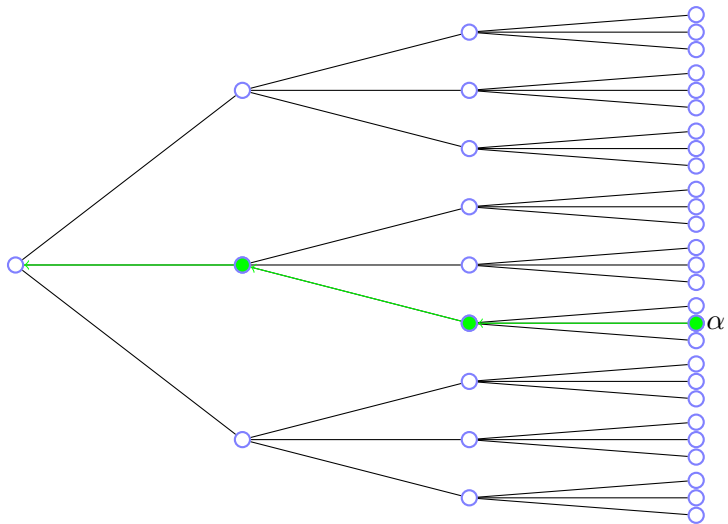


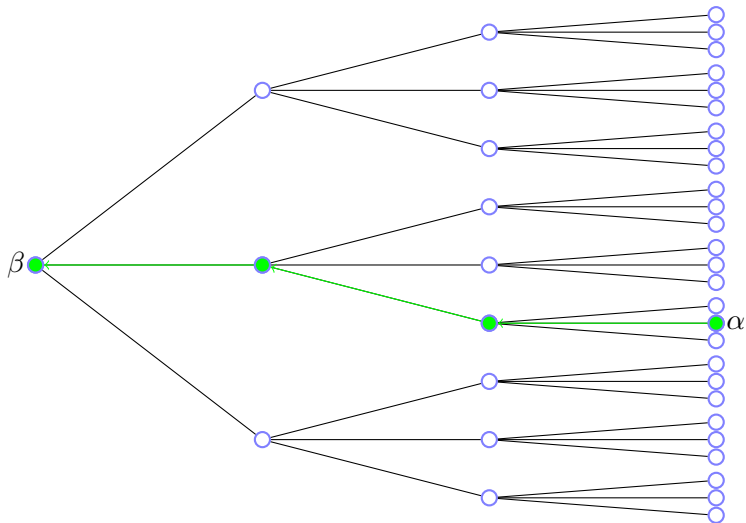














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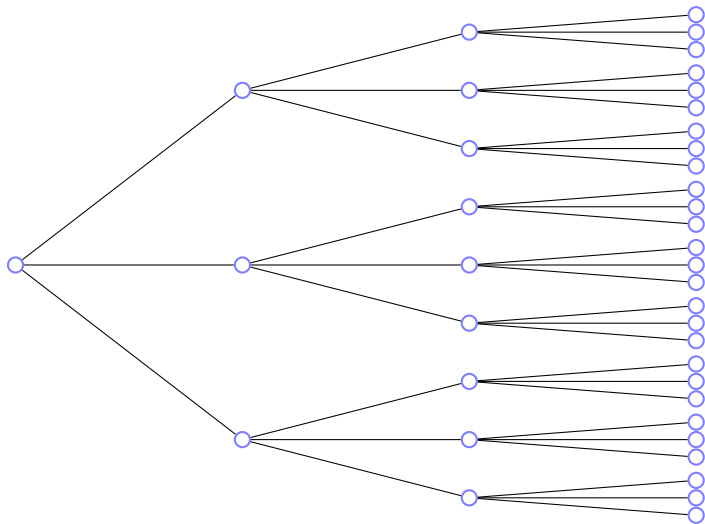
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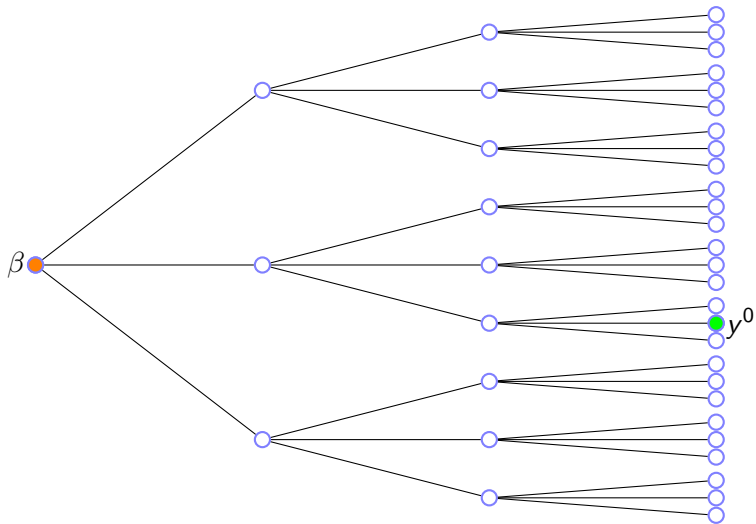
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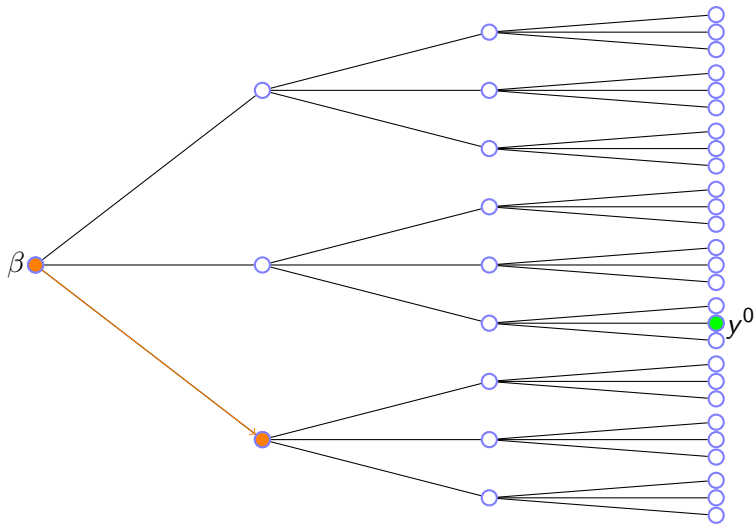
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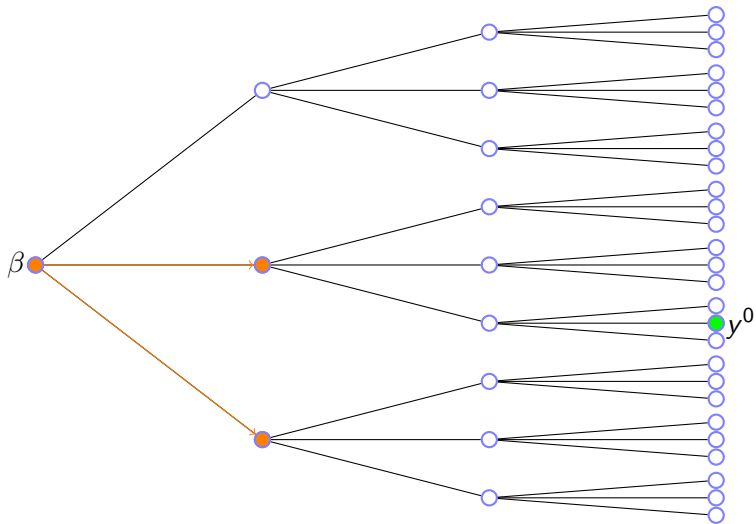
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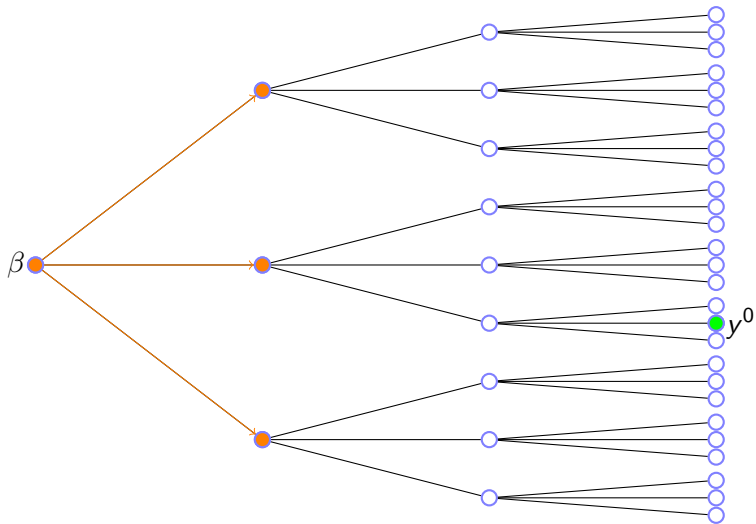


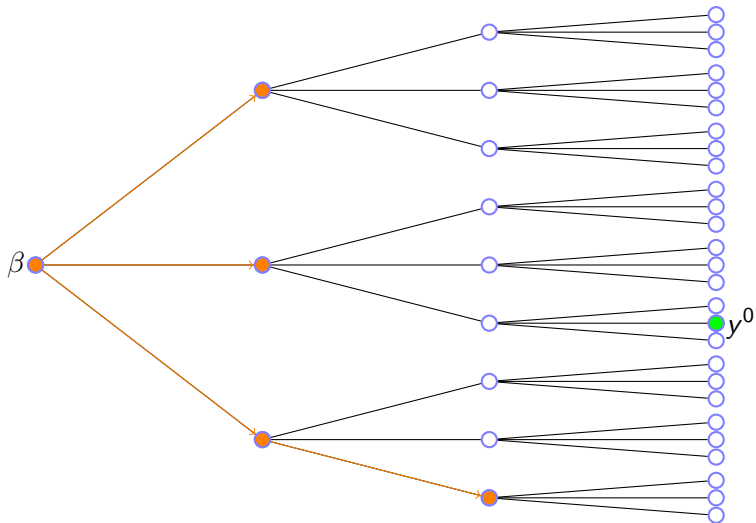


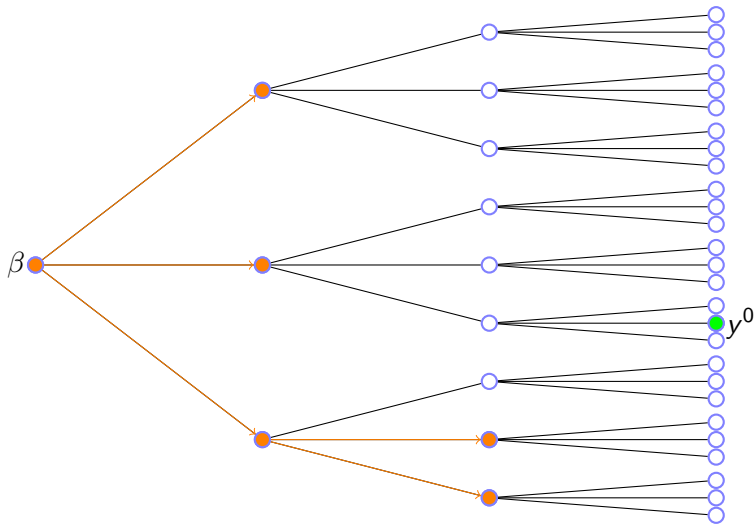


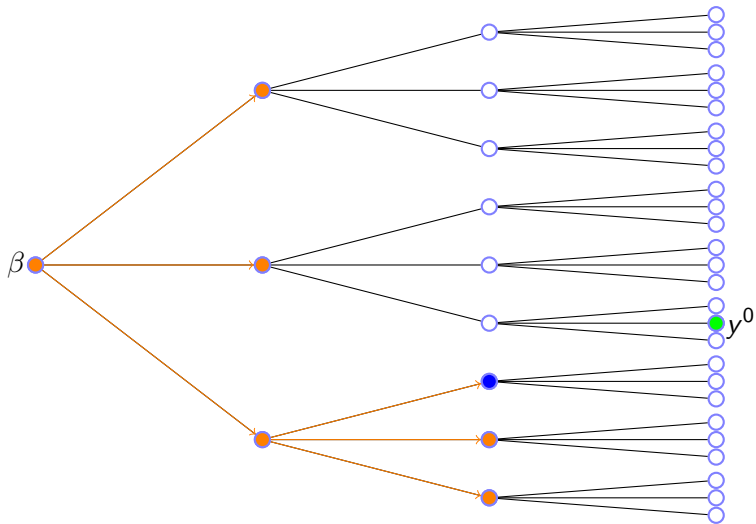




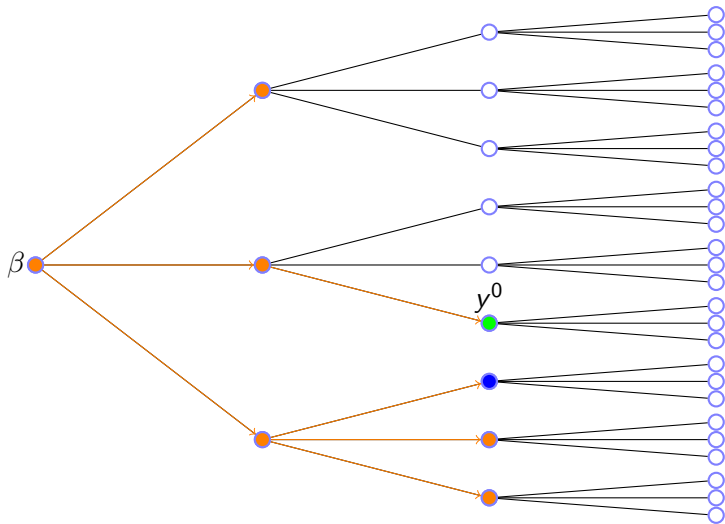


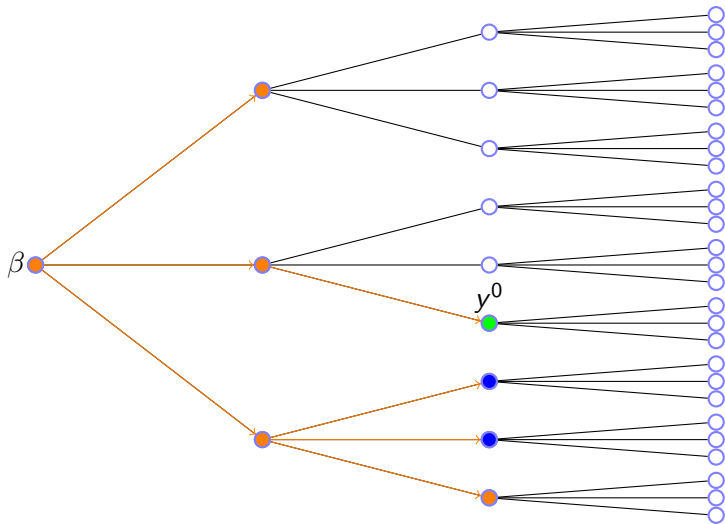


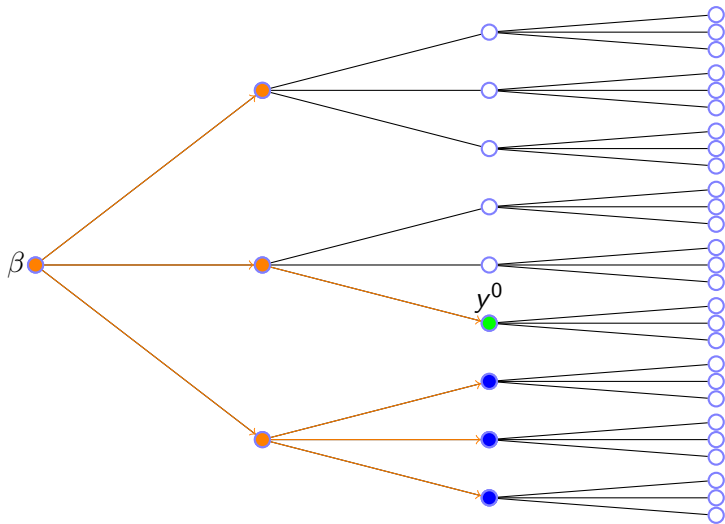


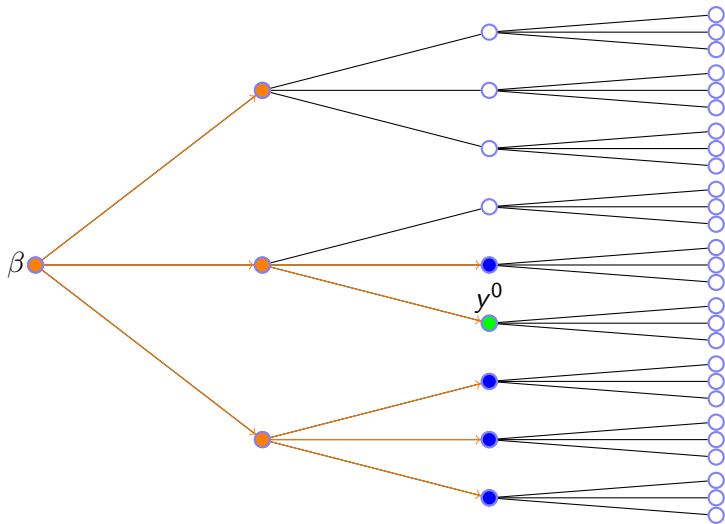


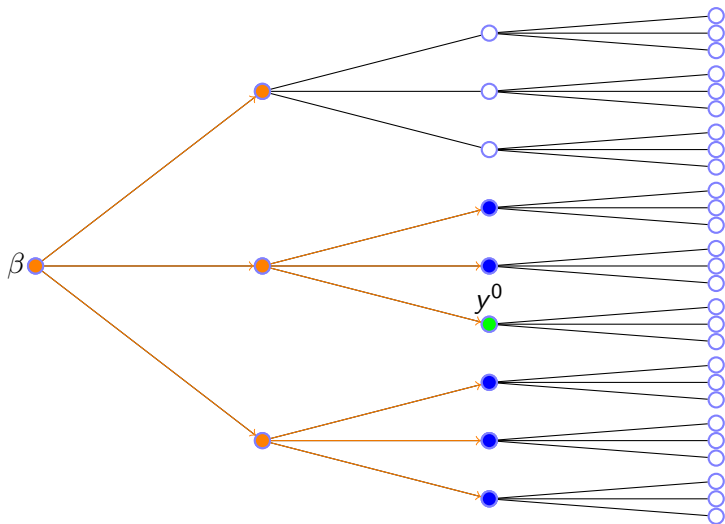


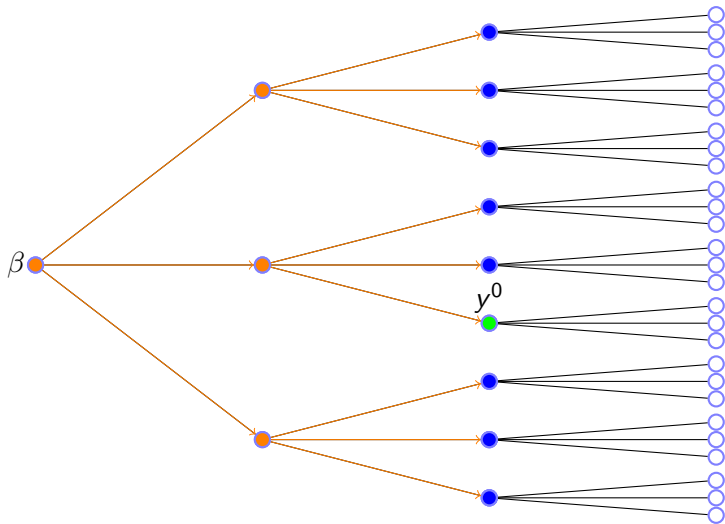












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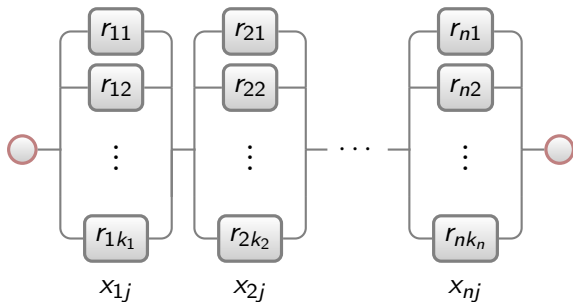
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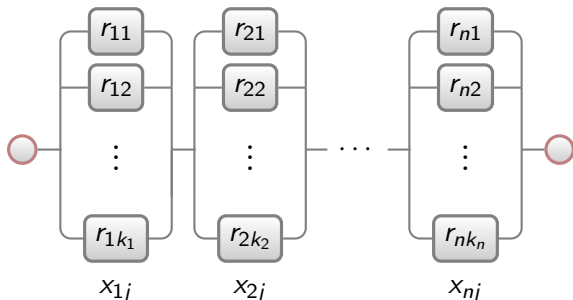
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15	3	322.8	6965	1	42.3	4795	0
15	4	571.1	17629	13	432.6	21843	8
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15	650.4	123	89.1	124(*)	N/F		604.1	123
16	192.2	121	51.1	121	1017.5	121	456.8	121
18	54.3	113	30.2	113	247.8	113	146.3	113
19	15.8	114	13.7	114	68.6	114	88.5	114
30	112.6	124	33.8	125(*)	805.5	124	178.8	124

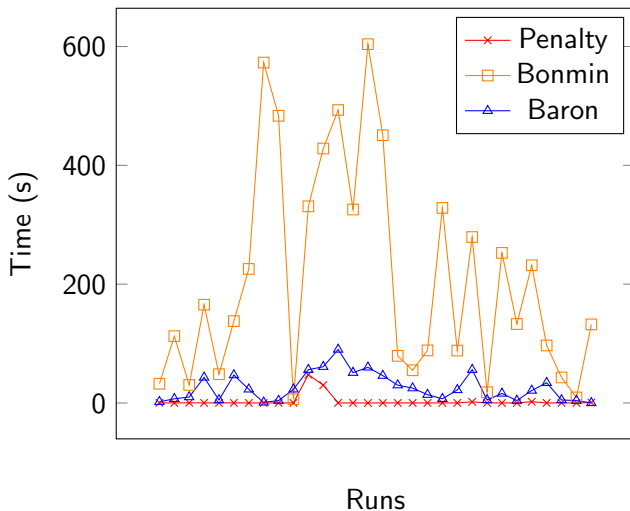


Figure: Spent time to reach the optimum: Penalty, Bonmin and Baron

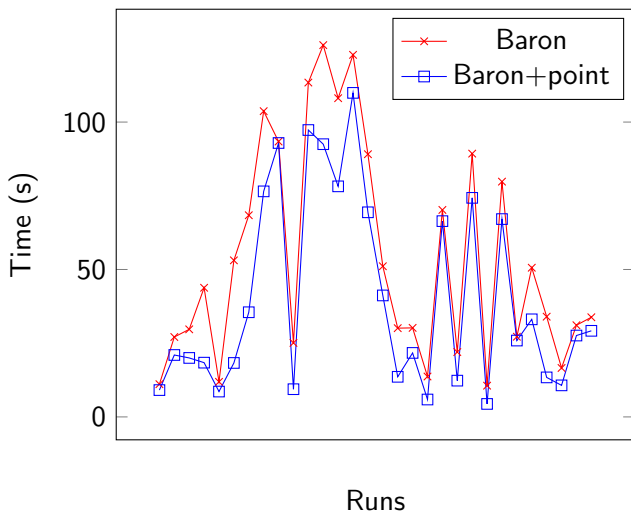


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where  $\tilde{\mathbf{T}}$  is the technology matrix, and represents a joint probabilistic constraint, where it is important to have all constraints satisfied simultaneously and there may be dependence between random variables in different rows.

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# Integral bases

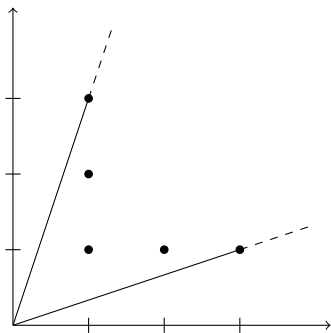
## Integral generating set

Let  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathbb{Z}^n$ . A set  $H \subset \mathcal{F}$  is an **integral generating set** of  $\mathcal{F}$  if for every  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{F}$  there exist  $\{\mathbf{h}_1, \dots, \mathbf{h}_k\} \subset H$  and multipliers  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$  such that

$$\mathbf{x} = \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i \mathbf{h}_i$$

An integral generating set  $H$  of  $\mathcal{F}$  is called an **integral basis** if it is minimal with respect to inclusion.

Let  $C = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x_1 = \lambda_1 + 3\lambda_2, x_2 = 3\lambda_1 + \lambda_2, \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \geq 0\}$   $C$  is the generated cone by the vectors  $(1, 3)'$ ,  $(3, 1)'$



$$H = \{(1, 3)', (1, 2)', (1, 1)', (2, 1)', (3, 1)'\}$$

is an integral basis of  $\mathcal{F} = C \cap \mathbb{Z}^2$

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# Graver basis

Fixed  $A$  an  $m \times n$  matrix with integer entries.

We note  $\mathbb{O}_j = j^{\text{th}}$  orthant of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

$H_j =$  (unique) minimal Hilbert basis of  $\ker_{\mathbb{R}^n}(A) \cap \mathbb{O}_j$

$$Gr(A) = \bigcup H_j \setminus \{0\}$$

is called the **Graver basis** of  $A$ .



## Definition

We call  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  sign-compatible or **conformal** if  $u_j v_j \geq 0$  for all components  $j = 1, \dots, n$ .

## Examples

The vectors  $(4, -2, 0)$  and  $(2, -3, 5)$  are conformal. And  $(2, -3, 5)$  and  $(-1, -4, 5)$  are not

## $\sqsubseteq$

For  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  we say  $\mathbf{u} \sqsubseteq \mathbf{v}$  if  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  are conformal and if  $|u_j| \leq |v_j|$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, n$ ; that is, if  $\mathbf{u}$  belongs to the same orthant as  $\mathbf{v}$  and if its components are not greater in absolute value than the corresponding components of  $\mathbf{v}$ .

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$(4, -2, 0) \not\sqsubseteq (2, -3, 5)$ , neither  $(2, -3, 5) \sqsubseteq (4, -2, 0)$ .  
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## Primitive binomials

A binomial  $\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}^+} - \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}^-}$  in  $I_A$  is called **primitive** if there exists no other binomial  $\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{v}^+} - \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{v}^-}$  in  $I_A$  such that  $\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{v}^+}$  divides  $\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}^+}$  and  $\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{v}^-}$  divides  $\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}^-}$ . A primitive element is  $\sqsubseteq$  minimal element in  $I_A$

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### Gordan-Dickson lemma, $\sqsubseteq$ version

Every sequence  $\{\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2, \dots\}$  of points in  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  such that  $\mathbf{p}_i \not\sqsubseteq \mathbf{p}_j$  whenever  $i < j$  is finite

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### $\sqsubseteq$ -minimal elements

For any given matrix  $A \in \mathbb{Z}^{m \times n}$  the set of minimal  $\sqsubseteq$  elements in  $\ker_{\mathbb{Z}^n}(A) \setminus \{0\}$  is finite

### Lemma

$Gr(A)$  is the set of minimal  $\sqsubseteq$  elements in  $\ker_{\mathbb{Z}^n}(A) \setminus \{0\}$

### Positive sum property

$Gr(A)$  has the **positive sum property** with respect to  $\ker_{\mathbb{Z}^n}(A)$ , that is, every  $\mathbf{z} \in \ker_{\mathbb{Z}^n}(A)$  possesses a  $\sqsubseteq$ -representation with respect to  $Gr(A)$ :

$$\mathbf{z} = \sum \alpha_i \mathbf{g}_i \quad \alpha_i \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \mathbf{g}_i \in Gr(A), \quad \mathbf{g}_i \sqsubseteq \mathbf{z}$$

### $Gr(A)$ and PSP

$Gr(A)$  is the unique inclusion-minimal subset of  $\ker_{\mathbb{Z}^n}(A)$  that has the positive sum property with respect to  $\ker_{\mathbb{Z}^n}(A)$

# Circuits and Graver basis

## Circuits

A vector in  $\ker_{\mathbb{Z}^n}(A)$  is called a circuit of  $A$  if its support is inclusion minimal among all elements in  $\ker_{\mathbb{Z}^n}(A)$  and its components are integer and relatively prime.

Equivalently, a circuit is an irreducible binomial  $\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}^+} - \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}^-}$  in  $I_A$  which has minimal support

## Lemma

If  $\mathbf{u}$  is a circuit of  $A$  then  $\text{supp}(\mathbf{u})$  has at most  $m + 1$  elements.

## $\mathcal{C}_A \subset \text{Gr}(A)$

Every circuit is primitive.

So, the set of circuits forms a subset of the Graver basis of  $A$ .

# Universal Gröbner basis and Graver basis

## Universal Gröbner basis

The universal Gröbner basis is the union of all reduced Gröbner bases and a Gröbner basis with respect to any monomial order. The universal Gröbner basis is finite

## Lemma

Every binomial  $\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}^+} - \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}^-}$  in the universal Gröbner basis  $\mathcal{U}_A$  is an element of the Graver basis

$$\mathcal{C}_A \subset \mathcal{U}_A \subset \text{Gr}(A)$$

Let  $A = (ijk) \in \mathbb{N}^{1 \times 3}$  pairwise relatively prime, then

$\mathcal{C}_A = \{x_1^j - x_2^i, x_1^k - x_3^i, x_2^k - x_3^j\}$ . We can consider the following three cases:

- If  $A = (1\ 2\ 3)$  then  $\mathcal{U}_A = \text{Gr}(A) = \mathcal{C}_A \cup \{x_3 - x_1x_2, x_1x_3 - x_2^2\}$
- If  $A = (1\ 2\ 4)$  then  $\mathcal{C}_A = \mathcal{U}_A = \{x_1^2 - x_2, x_1^4 - x_3, x_2 - x_3^2\}$  and  $\text{Gr}(A) \setminus \mathcal{U}_A = \{x_3 - x_1^2 - x_2\}$
- If  $A = (1\ 2\ 5)$  then  $\mathcal{U}_A \setminus \mathcal{C}_A = \{x_3 - x_1x_2^2, x_1x_3 - x_2^3\}$  and  $\text{Gr}(A) \setminus \mathcal{U}_A = \{x_3 - x_1^3x_2\}$

### Theorem

If  $A$  is a totally unimodular matrix

$$\mathcal{C}_A = \mathcal{U}_A = \text{Gr}(A)$$

# Lawrence lifting

Consider the enlarged matrix

$$\Lambda(A) = \begin{pmatrix} A & \mathbf{0} \\ I_n & I_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Where  $I_n$  is the identity matrix and  $\mathbf{0}$  is the  $m \times n$  zero matrix. This  $(m+n) \times 2n$ -matrix is called the Lawrence lifting of  $A$

## Toric ideal

$$I_{\Lambda(A)} = \{ \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}^+} \mathbf{y}^{\mathbf{u}^-} - \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{u}^-} \mathbf{y}^{\mathbf{u}^+} : \mathbf{u} \in \ker(A) \}$$



## Theorem

For a Lawrence type matrix  $\Lambda(A)$  the following sets of binomials coincide:

- The Graver basis of  $\Lambda(A)$
- The universal Gröbner basis of  $\Lambda(A)$
- Any reduced Gröbner basis of  $I_{\Lambda(A)}$
- Any minimal generating set of  $I_{\Lambda(A)}$  (up to scalar multiples)

Computing Graver basis;

**Data:**  $A \in \mathbb{Z}^{m \times n}$

**Result:**  $Gr(A)$

Choose any term order  $>$  on  $k[\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}]$ ;

Compute the reduced Gröbner basis  $G$  of  $I_{\Lambda(A)}$  with respect to  $>$ ;

Substitute  $y_i \mapsto 1$  for any  $g \in G$ ;

**return**  $G$ ;

# Pottier's algorithm

This algorithm computes the set of  $\sqsubseteq$ -minimal elements in a lattice  $\mathcal{L} \setminus \{0\}$ . We choose  $\mathcal{L} = \ker_{\mathbb{Z}^n}(A)$ .

## Infinite test Criterion for PSP

A symmetric set  $G \subset \mathcal{L}$  has the Positive Sum Property with respect to  $\mathcal{L}$  if and only if every  $z \in \mathcal{L}$  is  $\sqsubseteq$ -representable with respect to  $G$

## Finite test Criterion for PSP

A symmetric set  $G \subset \mathcal{L}$  has the Positive Sum Property with respect to  $\mathcal{L}$  if and only if  $G$  generates  $\mathcal{L}$  over  $\mathbb{Z}$  and if every sum  $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$ ,  $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in G$ , is  $\sqsubseteq$ -representable with respect to  $G$

# Normal form algorithm

## Normal form

We give the algorithm to compute Normal Form  $\mathbf{r}$  of an element  $\mathbf{s}$  in the lattice  $\mathcal{L}$  with respect to  $G \subset \mathcal{L}$ , such that  $\mathbf{s} = \sum \alpha_i \mathbf{g}_i + \mathbf{r}$  with  $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ ,  $\mathbf{g}_i, \mathbf{r} \sqsubseteq \mathbf{s}$  and  $\mathbf{g}_i \in G$  and  $g \not\sqsubseteq \mathbf{r}$  for all  $g \in G$

Normal form algorithm;

**Data:**  $\mathbf{s} \in \mathcal{L}$ , set  $G \subset \mathcal{L}$

**Result:** vector  $\mathbf{r} = \text{NormalForm}(\mathbf{s}, G)$ ;

$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{s}$ ;

**while**  $\exists \mathbf{g} \in G$  with  $\mathbf{g} \sqsubseteq \mathbf{r}$  **do**

$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{g}$ ;

**end**

**return**  $\mathbf{r}$ ;

# Completion procedure

Pottier's algorithm;

**Data:** a generating set  $F$  of  $\mathcal{L} \subset \mathbb{Z}^n$

**Result:** a set  $G \subset \mathcal{L}$  containing all the  $\sqsubseteq$ -minimal elements in

$$\mathcal{L} \setminus \{0\};$$

$$G = F \cup (-F);$$

$$C = \cup_{\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g} \in G} \{\mathbf{f} + \mathbf{g}\};$$

**while**  $C \neq \emptyset$  **do**

$\mathbf{s}$  = an element in  $C$ ;

$C = C \setminus \{\mathbf{s}\}$ ;

$\mathbf{r}$  = NormalForm( $\mathbf{s}$ ,  $G$ );

**if**  $\mathbf{r} \neq 0$  **then**

$C = C \cup \{\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{g} : \mathbf{g} \in G\}$ ;

$G = G \cup \{\mathbf{r}\}$ ;

**end**

**end**

**return**  $G$ ;

### Drawbacks of Pottier's algorithm

- The set  $G$  might contain many elements of  $\mathcal{L}$  that are not  $\sqsubseteq$ -minimal.
- The computation of the normal form of  $\mathbf{s}$  with respect to  $G$  is very costly

# Project-and-lift approach

## Best algorithm

- Apply Pottier's algorithm to achieve Graver basis property on a **subset of all variables**. All vectors in  $\ker(A)$  (in particular: all Graver bases elements) can be generated by increasing norm on these variables (Project phase).
- Apply Pottier's algorithm again, but to all variables.
  - Fewer sums  $f + g$  have to be considered. ( $f$  and  $g$  should have the same sign pattern on the chosen variables.)
  - Only those sums  $f + g$  have to be considered that fulfill upper bound conditions on the chosen variables.

```
sage: from sage.interfaces.four_ti_2 import four_ti_2
sage: four_ti_2.write_matrix([[1,1,1,1],[1,5,10,25]],
    "4coins.mat")
sage: four_ti_2.call("graver", "4coins", False)
sage: four_ti_2.read_matrix("4coins.gra")
[ 5 -6  0  1]
[ 5 -9  4  0]
[ 0  3 -4  1]
[ 5 -3 -4  2]
[ 5  0 -8  3]
```



Let  $A \in \mathbb{Z}^{m \times n}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{Z}^m$ ,  $\mathbf{l}, \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  and an objective function  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be given.

$$IP_{A,\mathbf{b},\mathbf{l},\mathbf{u},f} : \min\{f(\mathbf{z}) : A\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{l} \leq \mathbf{z} \leq \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{Z}^n\}$$

As we developed in the linear case, we give a test set for this problem in certain conditions.

### Test set for $IP_{A,\mathbf{b},\mathbf{l},\mathbf{u},f}$

$\mathcal{T} \subset \mathbb{Z}^n$  is a **test set** for  $IP_{A,\mathbf{b},\mathbf{l},\mathbf{u},f}$  if, for every nonoptimal feasible solution  $\mathbf{z}_0$  of  $IP_{A,\mathbf{b},\mathbf{l},\mathbf{u},f}$  there exists a vector  $\mathbf{t} \in \mathcal{T}$  and some positive integer  $\alpha$  such that

- $\mathbf{z}_0 + \alpha\mathbf{t}$  is feasible and
- $f(\mathbf{z}_0 + \alpha\mathbf{t}) < f(\mathbf{z}_0)$

### Lemma

Let  $f(\mathbf{z}) = \sum_{j=1}^n f_j(z_j)$  be separable convex, let  $\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , and  $\mathbf{g}_1, \dots, \mathbf{g}_r \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be vectors with the same sign pattern; that is, they belong to a common orthant of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then we have

$$f\left(\mathbf{z} + \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i \mathbf{g}_i\right) - f(\mathbf{z}) \geq \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i (f(\mathbf{z} + \mathbf{g}_i) - f(\mathbf{z}))$$

for arbitrary integers  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r \in \mathbb{Z}_+$

### Lemma

The set  $Gr(A)$  is an optimality certificate for  $IP_{A,\mathbf{b},\mathbf{l},\mathbf{u},f}$  for any vectors  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{Z}^m$ ,  $\mathbf{l}, \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  and for any separable convex function  $f$

## Graver-best augmentation algorithm

Graver-best augmentation algorithm;

**Data:**  $A \in \mathbb{Z}^{m \times n}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{Z}^m$ ,  $\mathbf{l}, \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ ,  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , a finite test set  $\mathcal{T}$  for  $IP_{A,\mathbf{b},\mathbf{l},\mathbf{u},f}$ , a feasible solution  $\mathbf{z}_0$  to  $IP_{A,\mathbf{b},\mathbf{l},\mathbf{u},f}$

**Result:** a optimal solution  $\mathbf{z}_{min}$  of  $IP_{A,\mathbf{b},\mathbf{l},\mathbf{u},f}$ ;

**while** *There are*  $\mathbf{t} \in \mathcal{T}, \alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_+$  *with*  $\mathbf{z}_0 + \alpha\mathbf{t}$  *feasible and*

*$f(\mathbf{z}_0 + \alpha\mathbf{t}) < f(\mathbf{z}_0)$*  **do**

    Among all such pairs  $\mathbf{t} \in \mathcal{T}, \alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_+$  choose one with  
     *$f(\mathbf{z}_0 + \alpha\mathbf{t})$  minimal;*

$\mathbf{z}_0 = \mathbf{z}_0 + \alpha\mathbf{t};$

**end**

**return**  $\mathbf{z}_0;$