

# New algorithms for computing primary decomposition of polynomial ideals

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# Primary decomposition : the GTZ algorithm

Gianni-Trager-Zacharias (GTZ) algorithm [GTZ]

① Reduction to zero-dimensional cases

Extract some of maximal dimensional primary components  $Q_1, \dots, Q_k$

② Computation of a remaining ideal

Compute  $f^s \notin I$  s.t.

$$I = (I : f^s) \cap (I + \langle f^s \rangle), \quad I : f^s = I : f^\infty = Q_1 \cap \dots \cap Q_k.$$

③ Decomposition of the remaining ideal

Decompose  $I + \langle f^s \rangle$ .

# Primary decomposition : the SY algorithm

Shimoyama-Yokoyama (SY) algorithm[SY]

① Computation of minimal associated primes

Compute minimal associated primes  $\{P_1, \dots, P_l\}$  of  $I$ .

② Computation of pseudo primary component and a remaining ideal

Compute ideals  $\tilde{Q}_1, \dots, \tilde{Q}_l$  and  $f_1^{s_1}, \dots, f_l^{s_l}$  s.t.  $\sqrt{\tilde{Q}_i} = P_i$ ,  
 $I = (\tilde{Q}_1 \cap \dots \cap \tilde{Q}_l) \cap (I + \langle f_1^{s_1}, \dots, f_l^{s_l} \rangle)$ .

③ Decomposition of pseudo primary components.

Compute a primary component  $Q_i$  and a remaining ideal  $I'_i$  s.t.  $\tilde{Q}_i = Q_i \cap I'_i$ .

④ Decomposition of remaining ideals.

Decompose  $I'_i, I + \langle f_1^{s_1}, \dots, f_l^{s_l} \rangle$ .

# Primary decomposition : the EHV algorithm

Eisenbud-Huneke-Vasconcelos (EHV) algorithm [EHV]

① Computation of all associated primes

Compute all associated primes of  $I$  via Homological algebra.

② Computation of primary components

Compute primary components corresponding to the associated primes via localization.

# Existing implementations

- Risa/Asir (in primdec)

primadec(I, V) : SY

- Macaulay2

primaryDecomposition(i) : SY

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Strategy => EisenbudHunekeVasconcelos) : EHV

- Singular (in primdec.lib)

primdecGTZ(i) : GTZ

primdecSY(i) : SY

# Motivation to develop a new algorithm

We found examples which are hard to be decomposed by existing implementations.

A simple example(SY fails to decompose it.)

$$I = \langle h_1, sh_2, \dots, sh_9, s^2 \rangle = Q \cap R,$$

$$Q = \langle h_1, s \rangle, R = \langle h_2, \dots, h_9, s^2 \rangle, h_1, \dots, h_9 \in \mathbb{Q}[u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4].$$

We can confirm that

$$R = I + J \text{ for } J = \langle h_2, \dots, h_9 \rangle$$
$$I : Q = \langle S \rangle, S = \{h_2, \dots, h_9, s\}.$$

We observed that  $J = \langle S \setminus Q \rangle$

⇒ The first step toward our new algorithm

# Outline of the new method

A modification of the SY algorithm

- 1 The isolated primary components are first computed.

We only keep  $Q_i$  extracted from  $\tilde{Q}_i$ . (We do not use  $I'$ .)  
Let  $Q_1, \dots, Q_l$  be the isolated primary components of  $I$ .

- 2 Computation of a large separating ideal

Separating ideal : an ideal  $J$  s.t.  $I = Q \cap (I + J)$  for

$$Q = Q_1 \cap \dots \cap Q_l$$

We find  $J$  as a subset of  $I : Q$ .

- 3 Decompose  $I + J$ .

# The reason why $J$ should be large

- A small  $J$  tends to introduce unnecessary components.  
 $J = \langle f^s \rangle$  in GTZ and in SY for  $I'$ .
- A successful case  
We succeeded in decomposing an ideal  $I$  by enlarging  $J$ , keeping  $I = Q \cap (I + J)$ .
- The reason why  $J \subset I : Q$   
 $I = Q \cap (I + J)$  implies  $J \subset I : Q$ .

# Separating ideal

## Separating ideal

For  $I \subset Q$  we call an ideal  $J$  a separating ideal for  $(I, Q)$  if  $J \not\subset I, I + J \neq k[X]$  and  $I = Q \cap (I + J)$ .

## Lemma

For ideals  $I, J, Q$  in  $k[X]$ ,  $I \subset Q$  implies  $I = Q \cap (I + J) \Leftrightarrow Q \cap J \subset I$ .

## Proposition

There exists  $m$  s.t.  $(I : Q)^m \cap Q \subset I$ .

## Corollary

For any  $f \in I : Q$ , there exists  $m > 0$  s.t.  $I = Q \cap (I + \langle f^m \rangle)$ .

# Primary decomposition : SYC

SYC : Shimoyama-Yokoyama with Colon ideal

Input : an ideal  $I \subset k[X]$

Output : an irredundant primary decomposition of  $I$

$L \leftarrow \emptyset$ ;  $Q \leftarrow k[X]$ ;  $I_t \leftarrow I$

while  $I_t \neq k[X]$  do ( $I = Q \cap I_t$  at this point)

$P_t \leftarrow \text{MinimalAssociatedPrimes}(I_t)$

$L_t \leftarrow \text{IsolatedPrimaryComponents}(I_t, P_t)$

$Q_t \leftarrow \bigcap_{J \in L_t} J$

if  $Q \not\subseteq Q_t$  then  $\{Q \leftarrow Q \cap Q_t; L \leftarrow L \cup L_t\}$

if  $Q = I$  break

$J_t = \text{SeparatingIdeal}(I_t, Q_t, (I_t : Q_t))$  ( $I_t = Q_t \cap (I_t + J_t)$ )

$I_t \leftarrow I_t + J_t$

end do

return  $\text{RemoveRedundancy}(L)$

# Primary decomposition : SYCA

SYCA : Shimoyama-Yokoyama with Colon ideal (Absolute)

Input : an ideal  $I_{in} \subset k[X]$

Output : an irredundant primary decomposition of  $I_{in}$

$L_{all} \leftarrow \emptyset$ ;  $Q_{all} \leftarrow k[X]$ ;  $I_t \leftarrow I_{in}$

RESTART:  $L \leftarrow \emptyset$ ;  $Q \leftarrow k[X]$ ;  $I \leftarrow I_t$ ;  $C = \{0\}$

while  $I_t \neq k[X]$  do ( $I_{in} = Q_{all} \cap I$ ,  $I = Q \cap I_t$  at this point)

$P_t \leftarrow \text{MinimalAssociatedPrimes}(I_t)$

$L_t \leftarrow \text{IsolatedPrimaryComponents}(I_t, P_t)$ ;  $Q_t \leftarrow \bigcap_{J \in L_t} J$

if  $Q \subset Q_t$  goto RESTART else  $Q \leftarrow Q \cap Q_t$

if  $Q_{all} \not\subset Q_t$  then  $\{ L \leftarrow L \cup L_t$ ;  $Q_{all} \leftarrow Q_{all} \cap Q_t$ ;  $L_{all} \leftarrow L_{all} \cup L_t \}$

if  $Q_t = I_t$  or  $Q = I$  or  $Q_{all} = I_{in}$  break

if  $I : Q = C$  goto RESTART

else  $\{ J \leftarrow \text{SeparatingIdeal}(I, Q, (I : Q))$ ;  $I_t \leftarrow I + J$ ;  $C \leftarrow I : Q \}$

end do

return  $\text{RemoveRedundancy}(L_{all})$

# SeparatingIdeal( $I, Q, C$ )

## SeparatingIdeal( $I, Q, C$ )

Input :  $I \subset k[X]$ ,  $Q = \cap_{i=1}^r Q_i$ ,  $C = I : Q$

(all isolated components appear in  $\{Q_1, \dots, Q_r\}$ )

Output : a separating ideal  $J$  for  $(I, Q)$

$G \leftarrow$  a Gröbner basis of  $I : Q$

$H = \{h_1, \dots, h_k\} \leftarrow G \setminus \sqrt{I}$

$S_0 \leftarrow$  a generating set of a separating ideal for  $(I, Q)$

(computed from  $H$ )

return  $\langle S_0 \rangle$

# Computation of $S_0$

## Partial search (search the first largest contiguous block)

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 $S_0 \leftarrow \emptyset$   
for  $i = 1$  to  $k$  do  
   $m \leftarrow$  the smallest integer s.t.  $Q \cap (I + \langle h_i^m \rangle) = I$   
  if  $(I + \langle S_0 \cup \{h_i^m\} \rangle) \cap Q \neq I$  break  
   $S_0 \leftarrow S_0 \cup \{h_i^m\}$   
end do
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## Full search

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 $S \leftarrow \{h_i^{m_i} \mid m_i \text{ is the smallest integer s.t. } Q \cap (I + \langle h_i^{m_i} \rangle) = I\}$   
 $l \leftarrow$  the largest index  $l$  s.t.  $Q \cap (I + \{h_1^{m_1}, \dots, h_l^{m_l}\}) = I$  (binary search)  
 $S_0 \leftarrow \{h_1^{m_1}, \dots, h_l^{m_l}\}$   
for  $i = l + 1$  to  $k$  do  
  if  $(I + \langle S_0 \cup \{h_i^{m_i}\} \rangle) \cap Q = I$   
     $S_0 \leftarrow S_0 \cup \{h_i^{m_i}\}$   
end do
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# Experiments

Primary decomposition of ideals with many embedded components

- Ideals related to computation of local  $b$ -functions [NN]
- Ideals generated by adjacent minors [DES]

For an  $m \times n$  matrix  $X = (x_{ij})$ , primary decomposition of the ideal  $A_{k,m,n}$  generated by adjacent  $k \times k$ -minors of  $X$  has been investigated by several authors.

These are examples which are hard to decompose by existing algorithms.

# Results

$Q_i$  : isolated components,  $R_i$  : embedded components

- ideals related to  $b$ -function

$\text{disc } f_k : A_k$  singularity,  $g_k : D_k$  singularity

$$I_1 = J_{\text{disc}(f_4)} + \langle s^2 \rangle = Q_1 \cap R_1,$$

$$I_2 = J_{\text{disc}(f_5)} + \langle s^3 \rangle = Q_1 \cap R_1 \cap R_2,$$

$$I_3 = J_{g_5} + \langle s^4 \rangle = Q_1 \cap R_1 \cap R_2 \cap R_3 \cap R_4,$$

- Adjacent minors

Ideal	# $Q_i$	# $R_i$
$A_{2,3,4}$	6	3
$A_{2,3,5}$	10	9
$A_{2,3,6}$	18	23
$A_{2,3,7}$	32	56
$A_{2,3,8}$	57	131

Ideal	# $Q_i$	# $R_i$
$A_{2,4,4}$	15	17
$A_{2,4,5}$	35	61

# Computation by existing implementations

- $I_1$   
EHV in Macaulay2 and GTZ in Singular succeed.  
All SY fail to decompose  $I_1$ .
- $I_2, I_3$   
All existing implementations fail to decompose  $I_2$  and  $I_3$ .
- $A_{2,3,5}$   
21 hours by SY in Macaulay2
- $A_{2,3,n}$  ( $n \geq 6$ ),  $A_{2,4,4}$ ,  $A_{2,4,5}$   
It seems impossible.  
( $A_{2,4,4}$  and  $A_{2,3,5}$  : given in [DES] and [HS] via cellular decomposition.)

## Timings : SYC

Ideal	Total	Colon	Sep	#Iso	#Emb
$I_1$	0.05	0	0.01	1	1(1)
$I_2$	0.6	0.03	0.1	1	2(2)
$I_3$	17	0.4	1.5	1	4(12)
<i>Huneke</i>	470	210	180	1	4(4)
$A_{2,3,4}$	13	5	5	6	3(23)
$A_{2,3,5}$	> 10h	—	—	—	—

**#Iso** : the number of isolated components.

**#Emb** : the number of embedded components

**(n)** : the number of components before removing redundancy

**Computation of  $S_0$**  : partial search for  $I_i$ , full search for  $A_{k,m,n}$ .

# Timings: SYCA

Ideal	Total	Colon	Sep	#Iso	#Emb
$I_1$	0.08	0.004	0.004	1	1 (1)
$I_2$	0.9	0.03	0.1	1	2 (2)
$I_3$	17	0.6	1.7	1	4 (8)
<i>Huneke</i>	108	9.8	38	1	4 (4)
$A_{2,3,4}$	0.5	0.03	0.1	6	3(3)
$A_{2,3,5}$	5	0.2	2.3	10	9(9)
$A_{2,3,6}$	133	2.8	48	18	23(23)
$A_{2,3,7}$	3540	25	2090	32	56(56)
$A_{2,3,8}$	146h	284	62h	57	131(131)
$A_{2,4,4}$	31	1.8	15	15	17(21)
$A_{2,4,5}$	12700	102	7800	35	61(68)

# Conclusion

- Success for many examples which are hard to decompose

$I_2, I_3, A_{2,3,6}, A_{2,3,7}, A_{2,3,8}, A_{2,4,5}$

- The number of redundant components are small.

$A_{2,3,k}$  : no redundant components

- Possibility of parallel computation

- $Q = \langle f_1, \dots, f_m \rangle \Rightarrow I : Q = \cap_i (I : f_i)$
- Computation of isolated components
- Computation of  $h_i^{m_i}$  s.t.  $(I + \langle h_i^{m_i} \rangle) \cap Q = I$

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