

LECTURE 1

PROPERTIES OF FACTORIZATION IN MONOIDS AND CONES

Example 1: natural numbers with multiplication $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$, m **divisor** of n $m|n$ $n = mm'$, $m' \in \mathbb{N}$.

Unique factorization into prime numbers

Every natural number $n \neq 1$ is a product $n = p_1 p_2 \dots p_k$ of prime numbers p_i which are uniquely determined by n , (up to renumbering)

$p \in \mathbb{N}$ **prime number** $p \neq 1$, $p|mn \Rightarrow p|m$ or $p|n$

$q \in \mathbb{N}$ **atom** $q \neq 1$, $m|q \Rightarrow m = 1$ or $m = q$

representation by primes/atoms $n = \prod_p p^{n(p)}$
different primes p

$n(p) \geq 0$ and $n(p) > 0$ for only finitely many p .

(\mathbb{N}, \cdot) is a (multiplicative) monoid

(M, \cdot) **monoid** (with cancellation), for $a, b, c \in M$

- $a \cdot b = b \cdot a \in M$
- $a \cdot (b \cdot c) = (a \cdot b) \cdot c$
- $a \cdot b = a \cdot c \Rightarrow b = c$
- neutral element $u \in M$, $a \cdot u = u \cdot a = a$ $u := 1$.

Example 2: natural vectors with addition $\mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, vectors $v \in \mathbb{N}_0^d$ with addition v **summand** of w $v \leq w$ $w = v + v', v' \in \mathbb{N}_0^d$
unique representation by unit vectors.

Every $v \neq 0$ has a unique representation (up to renumbering) $v = v_1 e_1 + \dots + v_d e_d$ by unit vectors $e_i = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$, 1 in the i -th component

- e_i is “prime” $e_i \neq 0, e_i \leq v + w \Rightarrow e_i \leq v$ or $e_i \leq w$
- e_i is an atom, $e_i \neq 0, v \leq e_i \Rightarrow v = 0$ or $v = e_i$

\mathbb{N}_0^d is a cone

$(C, +)$ **cone**, for $a, b, c \in C$

- $a + b = b + a \in C$
- $a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c$
- $a + b = a + c \Rightarrow b = c$
- neutral element $u \in C, a + u = u + a = a$
 $u := 0$

cone = monoid when mult is replaced by addition
geometrical scalar multiplication

λ a scalar, $a \in C \Rightarrow \lambda a \in C$ e.g. $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+$

UNFORTUNATELY

MONOIDS DO NOT HAVE UNIQUE FACTOR
CONES DO NOT HAVE UNIQUE FACTOR

MONOIDS

- **Hilbert monoid** $M = \{4n + 1 \mid n \in \mathbb{N}_0\}$ with •
nonunique fact $441 = 9 \cdot 49 = 21 \cdot 21$
 $9, 21, 49$ atoms in M **but** not prime in M
primes in M ? nat prime numbers of form
 $4n + 1 : 5, 13, 17, \dots$ though infinite **not** enough
for representation.
- **polynomial ring** $M = \mathbb{R}[X^2, X^3]$ with nonuni-
que fact $X^6 = X^3 \cdot X^3 = X^2 \cdot X^2 \cdot X^2$
 X^2, X^3 atoms in M **not** prime.
- **algebraic number fields** $M = \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-5}]$
 $6 = 2 \cdot 3 = (1 + \sqrt{-5})(1 - \sqrt{-5})$
different fact into atoms

CONES

polyhedral cone given in \mathbb{N}_0^d by equations.

- $C = \{x \in \mathbb{N}_0^3 \mid 2x_1 + 5x_2 = 3x_3\}$
nonunique repres
 $(3, 3, 7) = (1, 2, 4) + (2, 1, 3) = (3, 0, 2) + (0, 3, 5)$
- $C = \{x \in \mathbb{N}_0^4 \mid x_1 + x_2 = x_3 + x_4\}$
nonunique repres
 $(1, 1, 1, 1) = (1, 0, 1, 0) + (0, 1, 0, 1) =$
 $(1, 0, 0, 1) + (0, 1, 1, 0).$
See problems 1 and 2 for Lecture 1.

FACTORIZATION-GENERAL

(M, \cdot) monoid **reduced** divisors of 1 (unit) = $\{1\}$.

$(C, +)$ cone **pointed** summands of 0 (sero) = $\{0\}$

M **factorial** if **unique factorization** holds:

every $1 \neq x \in M$ is a product of atoms, uniquely determined up to renumbering.

For **integral domains** R mult monoid (R^\times, \cdot)
factorial

C **simplicial** if **unique representation** holds:

every $0 \neq x \in M$ is a sum of atoms, uniquely determined up to renumbering

Further notions:

- **atom** in (M, \cdot) nonunit $a : a = bc \Rightarrow b$ or c unit
- **atom** in $(C, +)$ nonsero $a : a = b + c \Rightarrow b$ or c sero
- $(M, \cdot)/(C, +)$ is **atomic** if every nonunit/nonsero is a product/sum of atoms. By definition every factorial monoid/simplicial cone is atomic.

SOURCE OF NON-UNIQUENESS ?

Examples indicate prime \nrightarrow atom
and atoms may decay into atoms

Hilbert monoid 21 atom **but** $(21)^2 = 9.49$

polynomial ring X^2 atom **but** $(X^2)^3 = X^3 \cdot X^3$

alg number field 3 atom **but**
 $3^2 = (-2 - \sqrt{-5})(-2 + \sqrt{-5})$

polyedral cone $a = (1, 2, 4)$ atom **but**
 $3 \cdot a = c + 2d.$

A power/multiple of an atom may decay into atoms

atom x decays into atoms y_1, \dots, y_k

if $x^m = y_1 \dots y_k$ for some m , for monoids

if $mx = y_1 + \dots + y_k$ for some m , for cones

strong atom atom with trivial decay,
 $y_i = x$ or unit/sero.

FROM CONES TO MONOIDS

$C = \mathbb{N}_0^3$ leads one to

$$M(C) = \{X_1^{a_1} X_2^{a_2} X_3^{a_3} \mid (a_1, a_2, a_3) \in C\}$$

monomials in the polynomial ring $\mathbb{R}[X_1, X_2, X_3]$.

$M(C)$ mult monoid by isomorphism

$$(a_1, a_2, a_3) \mapsto X_1^{a_1} X_2^{a_2} X_3^{a_3}$$

$(C, +)$ simplicial $\Rightarrow M(C)$ factorial.

More general, any cone $C \subset \mathbb{N}_0^d$ leads to

$$M(C) = \{X^a \mid a \in C, a = (a_1, \dots, a_d), X^a = X_1^{a_1} \dots X_d^{a_d}\}$$

monoid of monomials associated to the cone C.

Example $C = \{x \in \mathbb{N}_0^3 \mid 2x_1 + 5x_2 = 3x_3\}$

atoms $a = (1, 2, 4), b = (2, 1, 3), c = (3, 0, 2),$

$d = (0, 3, 5)$

generate C with relations $3a = c + 2d, 3b = 2c + d$

$n \in C, n = m_1a + m_2b + m_3c + m_4d$

$$X^n = (X^a)^{m_1} (X^b)^{m_2} (X^c)^{m_3} (X^d)^{m_4}$$

$$U^3 = YZ^2 \text{ by } 3a = c + 2d, V^3 = Y^2Z \text{ by } 3b = 2c + d$$

$$\Rightarrow M(C) = \{U^{m_1} V^{m_2} Y^{m_3} Z^{m_4} \mid (m_1, m_2, m_3, m_4) \in \mathbb{N}_0^4, U^3 = YZ^2, V^3 = Y^2Z\}$$

... TO DOMAINS TO VARIETIES

$C \subseteq \mathbb{N}_0^d$ cone, D domain lead to
semigroup ring $D[C]$ generated by D and $M(C)$
binomial difference of two monomials
variety common zero set of a set of binomials

Examples

binomial $Y^2 - X^3$

Neil parabola

binomial $Z^2 - XY$

quadric cone

varieties can be very difficult

$Z^n - X^n - Y^n$ in $\mathbb{Q}[X, Y, Z]$ variety = ?

Fermat's Last Theorem

Cone & monoid \rightarrow **Dioid** $(D, \cdot, +)$

$(D, +)$ cone, (D, \cdot) monoid & distributive laws
 \rightarrow integral domains.

LECTURE 2

KAPLANSKY GEOMETRICALLY: KRULL DOMAINS & POLYHEDRA

Example in Lecture 1: cone generated by finitely many atoms.

Dual description **cone intersection of halfspaces**

Picture • C generated by 4 atoms

- C intersection of 4 halfspaces
- halfspace $P, C \subset P = C - F, F$ facet
- hyperplane $P \cap (-P) = F - F$
- $G = C - C = \mathbb{Z}^3, P \cap (-P)$ 2-dim, $G /_{P \cap (-P)} \cong \mathbb{Z}$

These halfspaces called **prime cones**.

Definition of a prime cone P for C

$(C, +)$ cone, $G = C - C$ group generated by C

- $P \neq G$ **halfspace** P cone with $P \cup (-P) = G$
- $C \subset P = C - F, F$ facet of C
- F **facet** maximal face of $C (\neq C)$
 F **face**, $F \subset C$ cone s.t. $x + y \in F \Rightarrow x, y \in F$.

A prime cone is **discrete** if $P \cup (-P) /_{P \cap (-P)}$ is cyclic group.

A cone is a **Krull cone** if it is the intersection of its prime cones P , which are all discrete, in such a way that for every nonzero x in C only for finitely many P one has that $-x \notin P$.

IRVING KAPLANSKY 1917 -

Commutative rings, revised edition, 1974

characterizes integral domains, which are intersections of certain valuation domains. We give a geometric description in terms of prime cones and recall some fundamental concepts from algebra

- R integral **domain**
- \wp **prime ideal**
- V **valuation domain**, domain s.t. for every $x \in \text{quot } V^*$, $x \in V^*$ or $x^{-1} \in V^*$
- V **discrete** $\text{quot } V^* / \text{units of } V^*$ cyclic group
 $V^* = V \setminus \{0\}$
- **localisation** R_M, M a monoid in (R^*, \cdot) ring of quotients $\frac{r}{s}, r \in R, s \in M$.

Kaplansky (p. 82): A domain is a **Krull domain** if

- R_M is a discrete valuation domain for every monoid $M = R \setminus \mathfrak{p}$, \mathfrak{p} minimal prime ideal
- R is the intersection of all R_M , M as above
- every element in R^* lies in only a finite number of minimal prime ideals

Theorem Geometric description of Krull domains
 An integral domain R is a Krull domain if and only if (R^*, \cdot) is a Krull cone.

For the proof correspondence

valuation domains $R_M \longleftrightarrow$ prime cones

faces of (R^*, \cdot) F mult closed subset of R^* s.t. $x \cdot y \in F \Rightarrow x \in F, y \in F$, equivalent to F **saturated**, F contains along with an element all its divisors
 faces of $(R^*, \cdot) \longleftrightarrow$ saturated mult closed subsets.

Kaplansky (p. 2) **Theorem 2** R domain, $F \subset R$
 F saturated mult closed subset

$\Leftrightarrow R \setminus F$ is a union of prime ideals in R .

Lemma F facet of (R^*, \cdot)

$\Leftrightarrow R \setminus F$ is a minimal prime ideal in R .

Proof

“ \Rightarrow ” Kaplansky, Theorem 2: $R \setminus F$ union of \mathfrak{p} prime, $\mathfrak{p} \cap F = \emptyset$ (since F in (R^*, \cdot) mult closed, saturated)

Let \mathfrak{q} prime ideal, $\mathfrak{q} \cap F = \emptyset$. $\mathfrak{q} \subset R \setminus F \Rightarrow F \subset R \setminus \mathfrak{q}$.

$G = R \setminus \mathfrak{q}$ is a face (special case of Kaplansky).

F maximal $\Rightarrow F = G$ (since $\mathfrak{q} \neq \emptyset$)

$\Rightarrow \mathfrak{q} = R \setminus G = R \setminus F$. Thus, $\mathfrak{q} = R \setminus F$ for all \mathfrak{q} .

\mathfrak{q} minimal prime ideal: \mathfrak{q}' prime in R ,

$\mathfrak{q}' \subset \mathfrak{q} \Rightarrow F = R \setminus \mathfrak{q} \subset R \setminus \mathfrak{q}' = F', F'$ face.

F maximal $\Rightarrow F = F'$ (since $\mathfrak{q}' \neq \emptyset$) $\Rightarrow \mathfrak{q}' = \mathfrak{q}$.

“ \Leftarrow ” Let $\mathfrak{q} = R \setminus F$ minimal prime ideal in R .

$\Rightarrow F$ face (special case of Kaplansky).

Let $F \subset G, G$ face $\neq R^*$. Kaplansky, Theorem 2:

$R \setminus G$ union of \mathfrak{p} prime, $\mathfrak{p} \cap G = \emptyset$. Thus, union of $\mathfrak{p} = R \setminus G \subset R \setminus F = \mathfrak{q}$ and, hence,

$\mathfrak{p} \subseteq \mathfrak{q}$ for all $\mathfrak{p}, \mathfrak{p} \cap G = \emptyset$. \mathfrak{q} minimal $\Rightarrow \mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{q}$ all

$\mathfrak{p} \Rightarrow R \setminus G = \mathfrak{q} = R \setminus F \Rightarrow F = G$.

Thus, F maximal. □

Proof of the geometric description of Krull domains

R integral domain

P prime cone in (R^*, \cdot) .

$$\Leftrightarrow P = R^*/_F, \underbrace{F \text{ facet of } R^*}, P \cup P^{-1} = R^*$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{Lemma } \mathfrak{p} = R \setminus F \text{ minimal prime in } R$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P = R^*/_{C_{\mathfrak{p}}}, \mathfrak{p} \text{ min prime in } R, P \cup P^{-1} = R^*.$$

Consider $V = P \cup \{0\} \subset R$. Show that V is an additive group: $x, y \in V \Rightarrow x - y \in V$.

$$x, y \in V \Rightarrow x = \frac{x_1}{x_2}, y = \frac{y_1}{y_2}, x_1, y_1 \in R, x_2, y_2 \notin \mathfrak{p}.$$

$$x - y = \frac{x_1}{x_2} - \frac{y_1}{y_2} = \frac{x_1y_2 - y_1x_2}{x_2y_2} \in R/C_{\mathfrak{p}} \text{ since } x_2y_2 \notin \mathfrak{p}.$$

Thus, V is a valuation domain.

$$V \text{ discrete} \Leftrightarrow \text{quot} V^*/_{\parallel \text{units}} V^* \text{ cyclic}$$

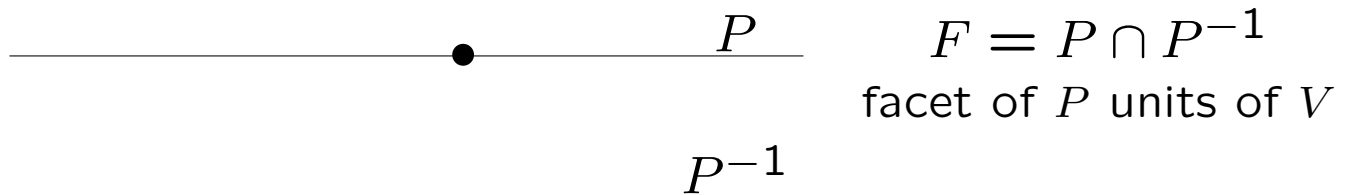
$$P \text{ discrete} \Leftrightarrow P \cup P^{-1} / P \cap P^{-1} \text{ cyclic.}$$

□

Stylized pictures

- valuation domain/half space $P = V^*$

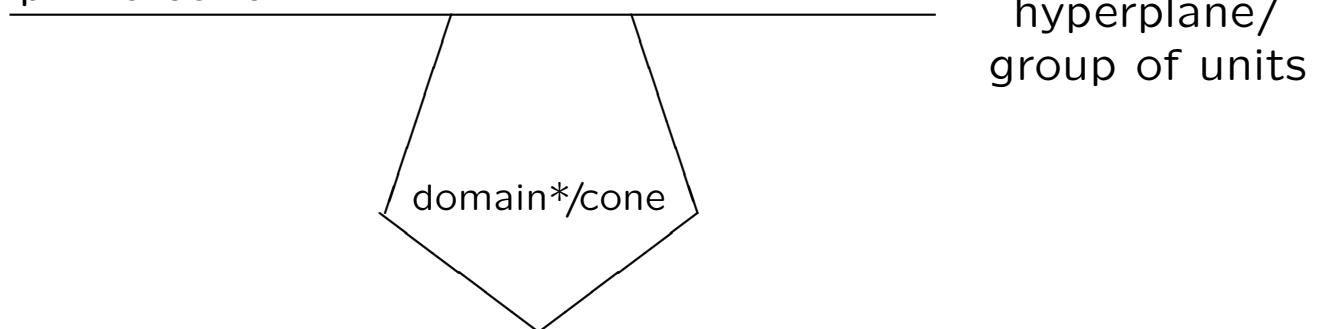
$P \setminus F$ minimal prime



$$P \cup P^{-1} = \text{quot } V^*.$$

- **finite intersections** of valuation domains/half spaces

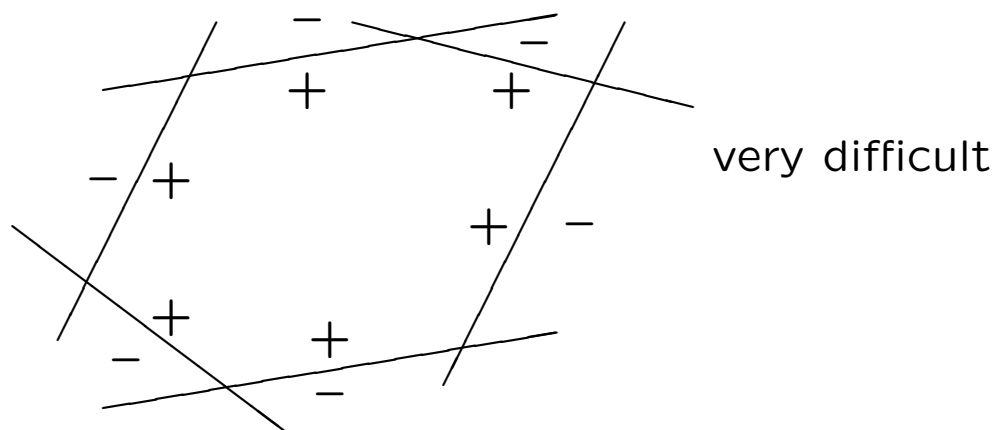
essential valuation domain/
prime cone



not essential valuation domain
not prime/**not** supporting halfspace

geometrically factorial \leftrightarrow simplicial

- **arrangements** of hyperplanes/groups of units partition into chambers
→ combinatorial theory of polyhedra/Krull domains



Further geometrical descriptions

- **generalized Krull domain/cone**

valuation domains/prime cones need not be discrete could be **rational** (subgroup of \mathbb{Q}) or **real** (subgroup of \mathbb{R}) still geometrical description as intersection of prime cones possible

- **Prüfer domain/cone**

integral domain is a Prüfer domain

$\mapsto R_M$ valuation domain for all $M = R^* \setminus \mathfrak{p}$,

\mathfrak{p} prime ideal

geometrical

R Prüfer domain \Leftrightarrow valuation domains* are exactly the prime cones

\Leftarrow intersection of prime cones

characterization by mult alone possible

- **Dedekind domain**

Krull domain & Prüfer domain

\Rightarrow intersection of prime cones

can not be characterized by multiplication alone

- Krull/Prüfer/Dedekind domain

\Rightarrow intersection of prime cones

Question Characterize all the domains which are intersections of prime cones.

LECTURE 3

NONUNIQUE BUT FRIENDLY: CALE FACTORIZATION

Source of nonunique factorization in Lecture 1 by examples: atoms can decay into other atoms
interesting feature: this decay may be unique
yields a friendly kind of nonunique factorization called
Cale factorization

Back to earlier examples

- **Hilbert monoid** $M = \{4n + 1 \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ mult
nonunique factorization $441 = 9 \cdot 49 = 21 \cdot 21$
decay of atom 21 $21^2 = 9 \cdot 49$
atoms 9, 49 do not decay but are strong
atoms 441 has unique fact into strong atoms
- **polynomial ring** $M = \mathbb{R}[X^2, X^3]$
nonunique factorization
 $X^6 = X^2 \cdot X^2 \cdot X^2 = X^3 \cdot X^3$
none of the atoms is strong
 $(X^2)^3 = (X^3)^2$ nonuniqueness **not** friendly.

- **algebraic number fields** $M = \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-5}]$ mult nonunique factorization

$$6 = 2 \cdot 3 = (1 + \sqrt{-5})(1 - \sqrt{-5})$$

$$\text{decay of atoms } 3^2 = (-2 + \sqrt{-5})(-2 - \sqrt{-5})$$

$$(1 - \sqrt{-5})^2 = 2(-2 + \sqrt{-5}), (1 - \sqrt{-5})^2 = 2(-2 - \sqrt{-5})$$

atoms $2, -2 + \sqrt{-5}, -2 - \sqrt{-5}$ do not decay

Cale representation: squares of atoms are unique products of strong atoms

explains nonuniqueness: just a recording by taking squares

$$6^2 = 2^2(-2 + \sqrt{-5})(-2 - \sqrt{-5}) = 2(-2 + \sqrt{-5})2(-2 - \sqrt{-5})$$

$$3^2 \qquad (1 + \sqrt{-5})^2(-1\sqrt{-5})^2$$

- **polyhedral cones**

$$C = \{x \in \mathbb{N}_0^3 \mid 2x_1 + 5x_2 = 3x_3\}$$

$$(3, 3, 7) = (1, 2, 4) + (2, 1, 3) = (3, 0, 2) + (0, 3, 5)$$

$$\text{decay of atoms } 3a = c + 2d, 3b = 2c + d$$

atoms c, d strong atoms do not decay

Cale representation: multiplied by 3, atoms are unique sums of strong atoms

explains nonuniqueness: just a recording by taking multiples

$$3 \cdot (3, 3, 7) = (c + 2d) + (2c + d) = 3(c + d)$$

- **However** for $C = \{x \in \mathbb{N}_0^4 \mid x_1 + x_2 = x_3 + x_4\}$
nonunique fact
 $(1, 1, 1, 1) = (1, 0, 1, 0) + (0, 1, 0, 1) = (1, 0, 0, 1) + (0, 1, 1, 0)$
all four atoms are strong, no decay
nonuniqueness **not** friendly, no explanation by
Cale.

CALE REPRESENTATION-GENERAL

(M, \cdot) monoid, M^\times group of units

Cale representation of $x \in M \setminus M^\times$
with respect to a **base** $Q \subset M \setminus M^\times$

$$x^{m(x)} = u \prod_{q \in Q} q^{x(q)} \quad \text{unique}$$

in \mathbb{N} minimal unit in \mathbb{N} for finitely many q
tame base to every $q \in Q$ exists $e(q) \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.

$$e(q) \frac{x(q)}{m(x)} \in \mathbb{N}_0 \quad \text{for all } x \in M \setminus M^\times$$

M **Cale monoid** Cale representation & tame base

C **Cale cone** $(C, +)$ is a Cale monoid

R **Cale domain** (R^*, \cdot) is a Cale monoid

Question What is the general relationship between
unique fact & Cale repres?

Theorem A monoid is factorial if and only if

- it is a Cale monoid
- it is atomic with all atoms being strong.

Proof without loss, M reduced

\Rightarrow : Q set of atoms, $Q \neq \emptyset$.

$$x^{m(x)} = \prod q^{x(q)}, \text{ for } x \neq 1, m(x) = 1, x(q) > 0$$

finite $q \in Q$, unique repr. $x(q)/m(x) \in \mathbb{N}_0$ all $x \neq 1$.

Atom x decays $\Rightarrow x^m = y_1 \dots y_k \Rightarrow y_i = x$ all i

$\Rightarrow x$ strong atom.

\Rightarrow : Choose base Q of atoms as follows

$$q_0 \in Q \Rightarrow q_0 = a_1 \cdot a_2, a_1, a_2 \text{ atoms.}$$

$$a_i^{m_i} = \prod q^{\alpha_i(q)} \Rightarrow$$

$$q_0^{m_1 m_2} = \prod q^{\alpha_1(q) m_2} \prod q^{\alpha_2(q) m_1}$$

$$= \prod q^{\alpha_1(q) m_2 + \alpha_2(q) m_1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1(q) = \alpha_2(q) = 0 \text{ for } q \neq q_0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1^{m_1} = q_0^{\alpha_1(q_0)}$$

Exchanging $q_0 \in Q$ for a_1 ,

$$x^{m(x)} = \prod_{q \neq q_0} q^{x(q)} \cdot q_0^{x(q_0)} \Rightarrow$$

$$x^{m(x) \alpha_1(q_0)} = \prod_{q \neq q_0} q^{x(q) \alpha_1(q)} \cdot a_1^{x(q_0)} \text{ still unique}$$

x strong atom $\Rightarrow x^{m(x)} = \prod q^{x(q)}$ yields $x = q' \in Q$.

Thus, Q set of all atoms. M atomic \Rightarrow

$$x^{m(x)} = \prod q^{x(q)}, x \neq 1, m(x) = 1.$$

Unique Cale repr $\Rightarrow M$ factorial. □

CRITERIA FOR CALE REPRESENTATION

- **Numerical semigroups** $C = \mathbb{N}_0 g_1 + \dots + \mathbb{N}_0 g_\ell$ add $g_i \in \mathbb{N}$, pairwise relative prime, $g_1 < g_2 < \dots < g_\ell$, $Q = \{g_1\}$ is a Cale base, e.g. $C = \mathbb{N}_0 \cdot 2 + \mathbb{N}_0 \cdot 3$, \rightarrow Problems

- **Diophantine cones**

$C = \{x \in \mathbb{N}_0^{n+1} \mid a_1 x_1 + \dots + a_n x_n = b x_{n+1}\}$ add is a Cale cone for $a_i \in \mathbb{N}_0, b \in \mathbb{N}$.

Strong atoms are given by

$$q_i = \frac{b}{\gcd(a_i, b)} e_i + \frac{a_i}{\gcd(a_i, b)} e_{n+1}, 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$Q = \{q_1, \dots, q_n\}$ is a tame Cale base, e.g.

$C = \{x \in \mathbb{N}_0^3 \mid 2x_1 + 5x_2 = 3x_3\} \rightarrow$ Problems

(Chapmann, Krause 2004)

- **Algebraic number fields**

R principal order of an algebraic number field is a Cale domain with a Cale base consisting of strong atoms (Chapmann, Halter-Koch, Krause 2002), e.g. $R = \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-5}]$ in the number field $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-5})$.

- **Diophantine cones** above are Krull monoids with torsion class

group $C = \{x \in \mathbb{N}_0^4 \mid x_1 + x_2 = x_3 + x_4\}$ no torsion class group. Principal order of alg number f is a Krull domain with finite class group other orders **not** necessarily Krull domains.

- **Krull monoids**

A monoid M is a Krull monoid with torsion class group if and only if

- M is a Cale monoid
- M is root closed (i.e., $(\frac{a}{b})^k \in M$ for some $k \Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} \in M$, where $a, b \in M$).

By the geometric characterization of Krull domains in Lecture 2:

- **Krull domains**

A domain D is a Krull domain with torsion class group if and only if

- D is a Cale domain
- D is root closed (for mult).

- **Semigroup rings**

D domain, integrally closed (roots in quot D of monic polynomials with coeff in D are already in D)

S cone, pointed, root closed

$D[S]$ Cale domain $\Leftrightarrow D$ Cale domain & S Cale cone

- **Gilmer-Parker Theorem**

$D[S]$ factorial $\Leftrightarrow D$ factorial & S simplicial

Cf. Chapman, Halter-Koch, K 2002;

K 2004; Chapman, K 2006.

LECTURE 4

TORIC IDEALS, CALE VARIETIES & TROPICAL GEOMETRY

The theory of toric varieties plays an important role at the crossroads of geometry, algebra and combinatorics.

Bernd Sturmfels, Gröbner bases & convex polytopes, p. 127.

Back to cones, most simple & nontrivial case

$$C = \{x \in \mathbb{N}_0^3 \mid x_1 + x_2 = 2x_3\}, \quad \text{Problem 1(i) Lect 1}$$

atoms $q_1 = (2, 0, 1), q_2 = (0, 2, 1), a = (1, 1, 1)$

Cale representation $2a = q_1 + q_2 \rightarrow$ cf. Lect 1

- binomial $Z^2 - XY$
- variety = zero set quadric cone

General C Cale cone \rightarrow semigroup ring $D[C] \rightarrow$
 \rightarrow toric ideal generated by binomials \rightarrow Cale variety/
zero set.

D integral domain

C cone finitely generated by g_1, \dots, g_ℓ

Rédei map $\Phi : \mathbb{N}_0^\ell \rightarrow C, \Phi(a) = \sum_{i=1}^\ell a_i g_i$

$$\Phi^* : D[\mathbb{N}_0^\ell] \rightarrow D[C], \sum r_a X^a \rightarrow \sum r_a X^{\Phi(a)}$$

surjective, $I = \text{Ker } \Phi^*$ **toric ideal of C** for g_1, \dots, g_ℓ

$V(I) =$ zero set of polynomials in I ,

called **generalized affine toric variety** (Sturmfels)

coordinate ring $D[C] \cong D[\mathbb{N}_0^\ell] / I/(C)$

binomials $X^a - X^b, a, b \in \mathbb{N}_0^\ell, \min\{a_i, b_i\} = 0$

generate I , Gilmer, Sturmfels

Cone variety $V_C = V(I), I$ toric ideal of a Cone cone C

Cone representation $Q = \{g_1, \dots, g_k\}$ Cone base

$$m_j g_j = \sum_{i=1}^k c_{ij} g_i, \quad k+1 \leq j \leq \ell$$

$$\alpha_j = m_j e_j, \quad \beta_j = \sum_{i=1}^k c_{ij} e_i \text{ in } \mathbb{N}_0^\ell$$

base binomials $X^{\alpha_j} - X^{\beta_j}, \quad k+1 \leq j \leq \ell.$

CALE VARIETIES Chapman/K 2005

C Cale cone, finitely generated, D integral domain

Theorem 1 The Cale variety V_C is the zero set of all base binomials, that is it is given by equations

$$X_j^{m_j} = X_1^{c_{1j}} X_2^{c_{2j}} \dots X_k^{c_{kj}}, \quad k + 1 \leq j \leq \ell.$$

Geometric-algebraic correspondence

$V \subset D^n$ homogeneous	C half-factorial
$\lambda \in D^*, y \in V \Rightarrow \lambda y \in V$	all factorizations of a fixed $0 \neq x \in C$ have same number of atoms

Theorem 2 Equivalent for D with $\text{char } D \neq 2$:

- V_C homogeneous
- C half-factorial
- in the Cale repres $m_j = \sum_{i=1}^k c_{ij}, k + 1 \leq j \leq \ell$
- all binomials in $I(C)$ are homogeneous
- all base binomials are homogeneous.

For any finitely generated Krull cone (Lecture 2)

Theorem 3 Equivalent for D a field

- V_C Cale variety
- coordinate ring $D[C]$ is a Cale domain
- C has torsion class group

Remarks

- in Theorem 3, V_C is automatically normal ($D[C]$ integrally closed, C normal/root closed)
 $V(I)$ in general **not** normal
- in Theorem 3, C turns out to be a Diophantine cone because of
 C finitely generated Krull cone with torsion class group
 $\Leftrightarrow C$ Dioph cone given by finitely many equations
 $a_1x_1 + \dots + a_{n-1}x_{n-1} = bx_n$

$$a_i \in \mathbb{N}_0, b \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Question Conditions for a finitely generated Cale cone to be half-factorial? Difficult even for Dioph cone given by just 1 equation (Chapman, Oeljeklaus, K 2000).

EXTENDED EXAMPLE

$$C = \{x \in \mathbb{N}_0^n \mid x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_{n-1} = bx_n\}, \quad b \in \mathbb{N}$$

see also earlier examples and problems

Diophantine cone, cancell, torsion-free, seros = $\{0\}$.

C Cale cone, $q_i = be_i + e_n, 1 \leq i \leq n-1$, Cale base

Cale representation for $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in C$:

$$\begin{aligned} bx &= bx_1e_1 + \dots + bx_n e_n = \\ & x_1q_1 + \dots + x_{n-1}q_{n-1} + bx_n e_n - \\ & e_n(x_1 + \dots + x_{n-1}) \\ \Rightarrow \quad bx &= x_1q_1 + \dots + x_{n-1}q_{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

Obviously, C is finitely generated.

Questions

- Find a generating set, i.e. all atoms of C .
- Find all base binomials.
- How does the Cale variety for C look like?
- What properties has the Cale variety?

In particular, is it homogeneous?

Set of generating atoms for C

$x \in C$ atom $\Rightarrow x_n = 1$; otherwise, x_i can be reduced
 $x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_{n-1} = b, x = (\bar{x}, 1), \bar{x}$ a partition of b .
 More precisely $p = (p_1, \dots, p_r)$ partition of b if $p_i \in \mathbb{N}$
 $p_1 \leq \dots \leq p_r < b$ and $p_1 + \dots + p_r = b$. Identify atoms
 not in Cale base $Q = \{q_1, \dots, q_k\}$ by

x atom $\Leftrightarrow \bar{x}$ is a permutation of a partition of b
 (only $p_i \neq p_j$ permuted)

base binomials are given by atoms not in Qg_j ,
 $k + 1 \leq j \leq \ell, p(j)\bar{g}_j$ permuted partition

$$X_j^b - X^{p(j)} \text{ in } D[X_1, \dots, X_k, \dots, X_\ell]$$

$$X^P = X_1^{P_1} \dots X_r^{P_r}$$

Cale variety V_C given by equations

$X_j^b = X^{p(j)}, k + 1 \leq j \leq \ell$. Corresponds to the
 b -th **Veronese anbedding** of projective space P^{n-2}
 (Sturmfels, Gröbner Bases ..., Chapter 14).

To determine the Cale variety we dont need to know
 all generators of the toric ideal

homogeneity/half-factoriality

Cale representation $bx = x_1q_1 + \dots + x_{n-1}q_{n-1}$ and
 $b = x_1 + \dots + x_{n-1}$ for atoms imply that C is halffactorial
 and V_C homogeneous.

base polynomials $X_j^b - X^{p(j)}$ homogeneous.

Particular cases

case $b = 1$ Gale base consists of all atoms
 $\Rightarrow C$ is factorial, $C \cong N_0^{n-1}$

Exercise Show that, conversely, C -factorial implies that $b = 1$.

case $b = 2$ with permutation

$$p = e_i + e_h, \quad 1 \leq i \neq h \leq n - 1.$$

base binomials $X_i X_j - X_h X_k$.

Gale variety intersection of $\binom{n-1}{2}$ cone quadrics

Exercise Make a picture of the possible intersection of two cone quadrics

$$\# \text{ of all atoms} = (n - 1) + \binom{n - 1}{2} = \binom{n}{2}.$$

The base binomials do **not** generate the toric ideal $I(C)$. A minimal set of generators of $I(C)$ contains in addition binomials of type $X_i X_j - X_h X_k$.

$b = 3$ $1 + 1 + 1 = 3, 1 + 2 = 3$ typical partitions

with permutation $p = e_i + e_h + e_k, p = e_i + e_h$

i, j, h, k different

base binomials $X_j^3 - X_i X_h X_k, X_j^3 - X_i X_h^2$

the corresponding varieties known as **twisted cubic curves**

$n = 3$ $X_3^3 - X_1 X_2^2, X_4^3 - X_1^2 X_2$

Exercise Compute pictures of twisted cubic curves and their intersection

See earlier example $C = \{x \in \mathbb{N}_0^3 \mid x_1 + x_2 = 3x_3\}$

which is isomorphic to $C = \{x \in \mathbb{N}_0^3 \mid 2x_1 + 5x_2 = 3x_3\}$

(see Problem 1 in Lecture 1, Problem 1 in Lecture 2).

The number of partitions of a number b increases fast with the size of b

→ number of atoms increases fast

→ number of base binomials increases fast

→ Can variety difficult kind of intersection.