

Let p_1, \dots, p_k be distinct prime numbers.

Extreme Case: $L = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{p_1}, \dots, \sqrt{p_k})$ is a Galois ext. of \mathbb{Q} with Galois group $G = (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^k$. The largest cyclic subgroups of G have size 2.

$L = \mathbb{Q}(\underbrace{\sqrt{p_1} + \dots + \sqrt{p_k}}_{\alpha''})$. Let $f \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$ be the min. pol. of $\alpha \in L$.

For any $p \nmid \text{disc}(f)$, the pol. $f \pmod p$ splits either into 2^k linear factors (if $|D|=1$) or into 2^{k-1} quadratic factors (if $|D|=2$).

Remark: "For a random monic pol. $f \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$ of degree n , with probability

- a) f is irreducible.
- b) The Galois closure of $\mathbb{Q}(x)/(\mathbb{Q})$ over \mathbb{Q} has Galois group S_n .
- c) For a random prime p , $f \pmod p$ is irreducible with probability $\frac{1}{n}$."

(The proof of c) uses the chebotarev density theorem.)

13. Lattice reduction

Def A lattice $\Lambda \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is a set of the form

$$\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}v_1 + \dots + \mathbb{Z}v_n = \{a_1v_1 + \dots + a_nv_n \mid a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

with linearly independent vectors v_1, \dots, v_n .

Such v_1, \dots, v_n are called a basis of Λ .

Rank We can encode a basis (v_1, \dots, v_n) of Λ as a matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} -v_1 & - \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ -v_n & - \end{pmatrix} \in GL_n(\mathbb{R}).$$

A change of basis corresponds to left multiplication by an element of $GL_n(\mathbb{Z})$.

Hence, we obtain a bijection

$$\{\Lambda \subset \mathbb{R}^n \text{ lattice}\} \leftrightarrow GL_n(\mathbb{Z}) \backslash GL_n(\mathbb{R}).$$

Goal For a given lattice Λ with basis (v_1, \dots, v_n) , find a basis (w_1, \dots, w_n) consisting of "nearly as short as possible" vectors w_1, \dots, w_n .

Def Let v_1, \dots, v_n be a basis of \mathbb{R}^n .

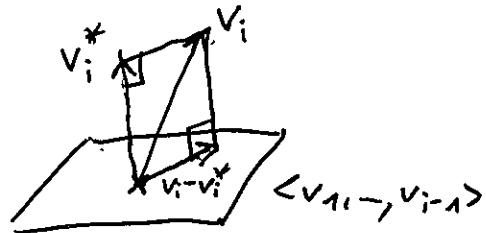
For $i=1, \dots, n$, let v_i^* be the component of v_i orthogonal to the subspace $\langle v_1, \dots, v_{i-1} \rangle$, i.e.:

$$v_i^* \perp v_1, \dots, v_{i-1}$$

$$\text{and } v_i - v_i^* \in \langle v_1, \dots, v_{i-1} \rangle.$$

$$\text{Write } v_i = v_i^* + \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \mu_{ij} v_j^*$$

$$\text{with } \mu_{ij} \in \mathbb{R} \text{ (for } j < i).$$



The vectors v_1^*, \dots, v_n^* are the Gram-Schmidt basis for v_1, \dots, v_n .

The numbers μ_{ij} ($j < i$) are the Gram-Schmidt coefficients.

Lemma B.1 a) $\langle v_1, \dots, v_i \rangle = \langle v_1^*, \dots, v_i^* \rangle$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$.

In part., v_1^*, \dots, v_n^* form a basis of \mathbb{R}^n .

b) $v_i^* \perp v_j^*$ for all $i \neq j$.

$$c) \mu_{ij} = \frac{v_i \cdot v_j^*}{|v_j^*|^2}.$$

$$d) |v_i|^2 = |v_i^*|^2 + \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \mu_{ij}^2 |v_j^*|^2.$$

Pf a) induction over i

b) clear from a)

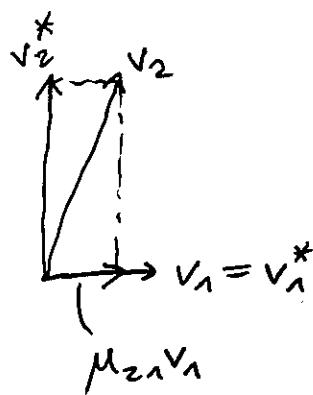
c) projection formula

d) Pythagoras.

e)
$$\begin{pmatrix} -v_1 & - \\ \vdots & \\ -v_n & - \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ \mu_{21} & 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & \mu_{n1} - \mu_{n,n-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -v_1^* & - \\ \vdots & \\ -v_n^* & - \end{pmatrix}$$

□

Ex ($n=2$)



Let v_1, \dots, v_n be a basis of \mathbb{R}^n .

Thm 13.3 ~~Given v_1, \dots, v_n~~ There are integers $a_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}$ ($j < i$) such that the g-s coeff. for the basis w_1, \dots, w_n given by $w_i = v_i - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij} v_j$ satisfy $|a_{ij}| \leq \frac{1}{2}$ for all $j < i$.

~~Proof~~ They can be computed using $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$ operations in \mathbb{R}

$$\text{Proof a)} \begin{pmatrix} -w_1- \\ \vdots \\ -w_n- \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots \\ a_{12} & 1 & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -v_1- \\ \vdots \\ -v_n- \end{pmatrix}$$

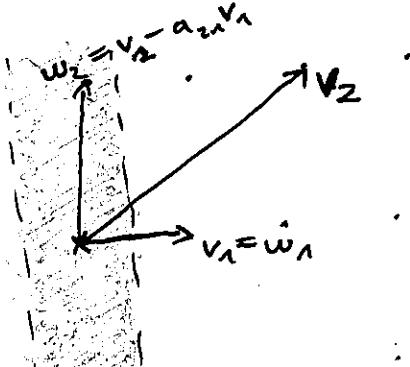
b) $w_i^* = v_i^*$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$.

Prf of Thm For $i = 1, \dots, n$:

For $j = i+1, \dots, n$:

Subtract an appropriate integer multiple of row j from row i to make $|a_{ij}| \leq \frac{1}{2}$.

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Thm 13.4 Let $n=2$. The following algorithm computes a basis w_1, w_2 of $1 = \mathbb{Z}v_1 + \mathbb{Z}v_2$ such that w_1 is a shortest nonzero vector in 1 :

Alg 1) Replace v_1, v_2 by the basis computed in Thm 13.3 such that $|w_{21}| \leq \frac{1}{2}$.

2) If $|v_1| \leq |v_2|$:

return $w_1 = v_1, w_2 = v_2$.

~~else~~

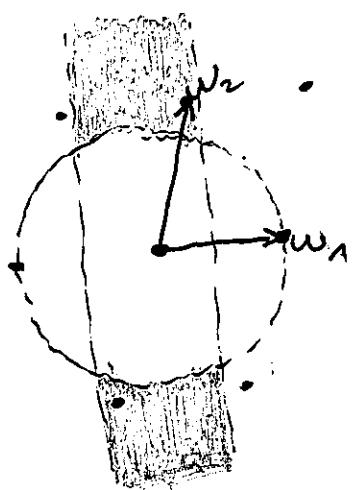
if $|v_1| > |v_2|$:

swap v_1, v_2 and return to step 1.

Pf correctness: Assume the alg. returned w_1, w_2 .

clearly, ~~they~~ w_1, w_2 still form a basis of 1 .

We have $|w_{21}| \leq \frac{1}{2}$ and $|w_1| \leq |w_2|$.



That ~~is~~ there is no shorter nonzero vector in 1 than w_1 is "clear from the picture".

Formally:

$$|b_1 w_1 + b_2 w_2|^2 \quad \cancel{\text{is the distance from } (0,0) \text{ to } b_1 w_1 + b_2 w_2}$$

$$= b_1^2 |w_1|^2 + b_2^2 |w_2|^2 + 2b_1 b_2 \underbrace{(w_1 \cdot w_2)}_{w_2(w_1)^2}$$

~~cancel~~

$$\geq (b_1^2 + b_2^2 - b_1 b_2) |w_1|^2 \geq |w_1|^2$$

for all ~~all~~ $\stackrel{>1}{\cancel{(0,0)}} + (b_1, b_2) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$.

algorithm terminates: $|v_1|$ gets smaller in every iteration.
 But \mathbb{Z} has only finitely many vectors of length less
 than the original $|v_1|$. 5

Thm 13.5 ~~Assume~~ Assume $v_1, v_2 \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ and the coordinates c of v_1, v_2
 satisfy $|c| \leq B$. Then, the algorithm from Thm 13.4 takes
 $O(\log B)$ steps (for large B).
 (\Rightarrow polynomial running time in size of the input!)

Pf Rephrase the alg. as follows:

w.l.o.g. $|v_1| \geq |v_2|$.

$v_1 := v_1, \quad v_2 := v_2.$

$v_{i+2} := v_i - k_i v_{i+1}$ with $k_i = \text{round}\left(\frac{v_i \cdot v_{i+1}}{|v_{i+1}|^2}\right) \in \mathbb{Z}$

until $|v_{i+1}| > |v_i|$.

Then, we return $w_1 = v_i, \quad w_2 = v_{i+1}$.

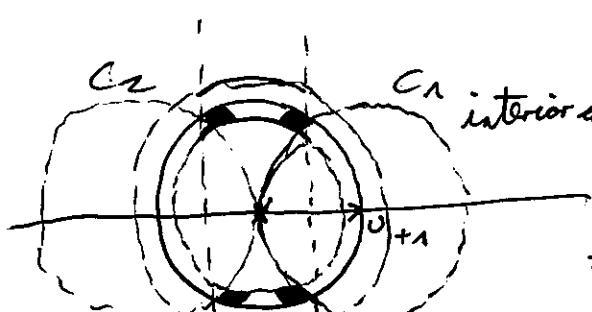
Clearly, $|v_1| \geq |v_2| \geq \dots \geq |v_i|$. Let $\delta = \frac{11}{10}$.

Claim: ~~that~~ $|v_i| \geq \delta |v_{i+1}|$

For all ~~1 ≤ i ≤ j - 3~~, we have $|v_i| \geq \delta |v_{i+1}|$. ~~by~~

Pf Assume $|v_i| \leq \delta |v_{i+1}|$.

$\Rightarrow |v_{i+2}| \leq \delta |v_{i+1}|$ and $|v_{i+1}| \leq \delta |v_{i+2}|$.



v_{i+2} lies in the vertical strip and in the interior of inner annulus.
 v_i lies in the outer annulus.
 $v_{i+2} \in v_i + \mathbb{Z} v_{i+1}$.
 $\Rightarrow v_{i+2}$ lies in the shaded region.

In particular, v_{i+2} doesn't lie in the interior of the balls C_1 or C_2 .

\Rightarrow The projection of v_{i+1} onto v_{i+2} has length $\leq \frac{1}{2} |v_{i+2}|$

$$\Rightarrow v_{i+3} = v_{i+1}.$$

$$\Rightarrow |v_{i+3}| = |v_{i+1}| > |v_{i+2}|$$

$$\Rightarrow i = i+2 \quad \square$$

The claim implies that the total number of stars is $\Theta(\log_B B)$ because $|v_i|^2 \leq \Theta(B)$

and each $|v_i|^2$ is an integer. \square