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Talk Title: Tropical geometry for computational algebra

Date: 12/6/2012 Time: 10:30 am / pm (circle one)

List 6-12 key words for the talk: Tropical geometry, elimination, implicitization, discriminant, resultant, polyhedral complex, polytopes

Please summarize the lecture in 5 or fewer sentences:

Shows how tropical geometry can be used to find the defining equations of a parameterized variety & to compute resultants

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Tropical Geometry for Computational Algebra ①

A. Implicitization : Find defining equations of a parameterized variety.

Ex :

$$\begin{aligned} x &= t + t^2 + t^3 \\ y &= 2t^3 + 5t^7 \\ &\quad (\text{input}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &125x^7 + 300x^5 - 35x^4y \\ &+ 120x^4 - 590x^3y \\ &- 35x^2y^2 + 38x^3 - 387x^2y \\ &- 29xy^2 - y^3 - 117xy - y^2 \\ &- 19y \end{aligned}$$

(output)

B. Resultants : Find ~~the~~ defining equations of the locus of polynomials for which a system of polynomials have a solution in $(\mathbb{C}^*)^n$

Ex

$$\begin{aligned} f_1 &= a_{10} + a_{11}x + a_{12}x^2 \\ f_2 &= a_{20} + a_{21}x + a_{22}x^2 \\ &\quad (\text{input}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} a_{10} & a_{11} & a_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & a_{10} & a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{20} & a_{21} & a_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & a_{20} & a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

= polynomial ~~with~~
with 6 terms
(output)

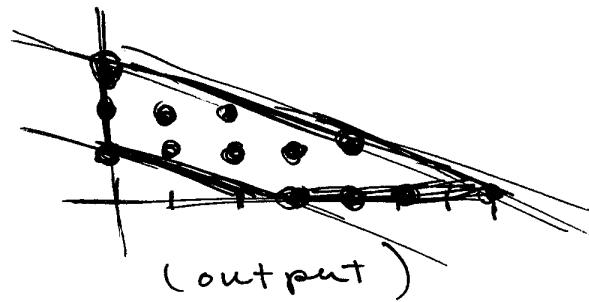
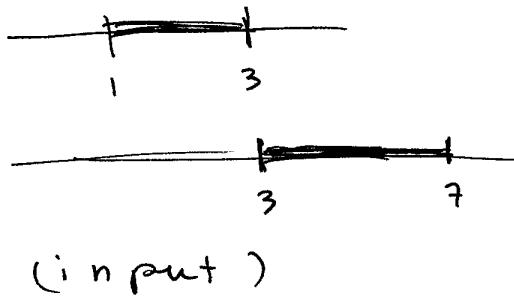
Combinatorial Versions

Newton polytope of a polynomial is the convex hull of the exponents.

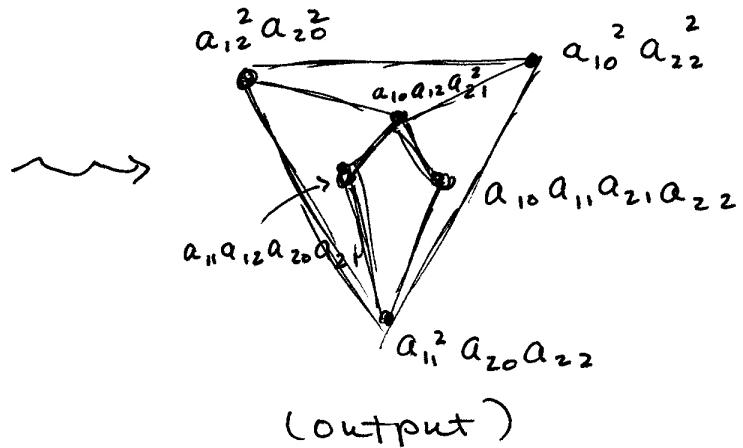
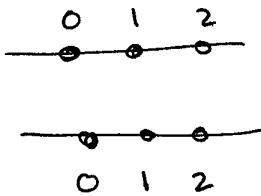
A.

(2)

(*)



B. Find Newton polytope of resultant



How to describe a polytope in \mathbb{R}^n

✓ convex hull of
finite set of points

✗ bound intersection of
finitely many half spaces

Oracle $w \in \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto \text{vertex}_w(P)$

Tropical $T(P) = \{w : \dim \text{face}_w P \geq 1\}$
+ multiplicities

$$\tau \left(\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline & a \\ \hline b & c \\ \hline \end{array} \right) = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline & 2 \\ \hline 1 & 1 \\ \hline 2 & \\ \hline \end{array}$$
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$$\tau(\text{zonotope}) = \bigcup_{\text{(dual hyperplanes)}} \text{zones}$$

$$\tau(\text{permutohedron}) = \bigcup \{x_i = x_j\}$$

$$\tau \left(\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline & \\ \hline & \\ \hline \end{array} \right) = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline & \\ \hline & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Conversion algorithms are important!

$V \leftrightarrow H$ dual-description methods

$H \leftrightarrow \Theta$ linear programming

~~convolution~~

$\Theta \rightarrow V/H$ beneath - beyond, gift-wrapping

$T \rightarrow \Theta$ [Dickenstein - Fichtner - Sturmfels 2007]

$T \rightsquigarrow V$ "ray-shooting"

[Jensen - Y., 2001]

new
Implemented in Gfan

higher codim?

Tropical variety of an ideal I is

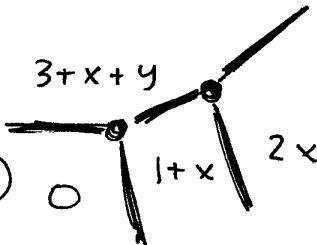
$$\begin{aligned} \tau(I) &:= \bigcap_{f \in I} \tau(\text{New}(f)) \\ &= \{w : \text{in}_w I \neq \text{monomials}\} \end{aligned}$$

Tropical Algebra $(\mathbb{R}, \oplus_{\max}, \oplus_+)$

Ex $x^{\oplus 2} \oplus 3 \odot x \odot y \oplus 1 \odot x \oplus 0$

Tropical hypersurface - maximum is attained twice

If coefficients are all the same $\tau(F) = \tau(\text{New}(F))$



A. $x = t + t^2 + t^3$
 $y = 2t^3 + 5t^7$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{trop}(x) &= T \oplus T^{\oplus 2} \oplus T^{\oplus 3} \\ \text{trop}(y) &= T^{\oplus 3} \oplus T^{\oplus 7} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2\end{aligned}$$

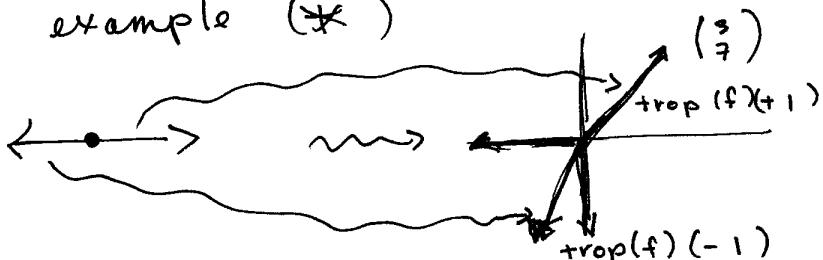
Thm (Sturmfels - Tevelev - y. 2007)

$$\tau \left(\underset{\text{variety}}{\text{parameterized}} \right) = \bigcup \tau(f)(\sigma) \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \mathbb{C}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n \\ t \mapsto (f_1, \dots, f_n) \\ P_1, \dots, P_n \\ \tau(f) : \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \end{array} \right.$$

σ is a cone in common refinement of normal fan of P_1, \dots, P_n

st $\mu_V(\text{face}_\sigma P_j)_{j \in J} > 0$
 \uparrow mixed volume

For example (*)



B. Resultants

Def: The tropical resultant is the locus of coefficients for which a system of tropical polynomials have a common solution.

$$\text{e.g. } a_{10} \oplus a_{11} \odot x \oplus a_{12} \odot x^{\odot 2}$$

$$a_{20} \oplus a_{21} \odot x \oplus a_{22} \odot x^{\odot 2}$$

(0, 1, 0, -1, -1, 1) is in tropical resultant

$$\max(0, 1+x, 2x) \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} -1 \text{ is a common}$$

$$\max(-1, -1+x, 1+2x) \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} \text{solution}$$

Thm (Jensen-Yu 2011)

Trop variety of the resultant

= tropical resultant

$$= \bigcup_{\substack{E \text{ consists of} \\ 2 \text{ pts from each } A_i \\ + \text{ rowspace}}} \mathbb{R}_+ \{ -\alpha : \alpha \notin E \}$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{c|c|c|c} \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \hline A_1 | A_2 | \dots | A_2 \end{array} \right)$$

↑ Cayley configuration

Ex

