# MMA 数学特論 I

# Algorithms for polynomial systems: elimination & Gröbner bases

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# Lecture II: Univariate polynomials, (polynomials in one variable)

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#### Part I: Generalities

## The polynomial algebra $\mathbb{k}[X]$

 $P \in \mathbb{k}[X]$  written as:  $P = \sum_{i=0}^{n} p_i X^i$ , with  $p_i \in \mathbb{k}$ .

The largest integer n such that  $p_n \neq 0$  is called the degree of P.

Then, the leading coefficient of P is  $p_n$ :  $LC(P) = p_n$ .

Let  $Q = \sum_{i=0}^{m} q_i X^i$  be a polynomial of degree  $m \leq n$ .

Addition: 
$$P + Q = \sum_{i=0}^{m} (q_i + p_i) X^i + \left[ \sum_{i=m+1}^{n} p_i X^i \right]_{\text{appears only if } m < n}$$

Multiplication: 
$$PQ = \sum_{i=0}^{m+n} \left( \sum_{k+\ell=i} p_k q_\ell \right) X^i$$

 $\Leftrightarrow LC(PQ) = p_n q_m = LC(P)LC(Q)$  which is not zero (true over any field).

# The ring k[X]

The following three points are easy to check:

- 1. PQ = QP (the multiplication is commutative)
- 2. (PQ)R = P(QR) (the multiplication is associative)
- 3. P(Q+R) = PQ + PR (the multiplication is distributive with respect to the addition)
- $\Rightarrow k[X]$  is a commutative ring.

**Definition 1** A ring R is a set endowed with an addition + so that (R, +) is a commutative group, and a multiplication  $\times$ , with a unit element  $1_A$ , which verifies points 2 and 3 above.

If  $\times$  verifies point 1 as well, then R is a commutative ring.

## The degree

**Proposition 1** For any polynomials P and Q in k[X], we have:

- (i)  $\deg(P+Q) \leq \max\{\deg(P), \deg(Q)\}$ , with equality if  $\deg(P) \neq \deg(Q)$ . (true over any ring, not only fields  $\mathbb{k}$ ).
- (ii) deg(PQ) = deg(P) + deg(Q) (not true over any ring, but true over any integral domain  $\rightarrow$  Definition 7)

Proof:Exercise.

Example:  $P = X^2 + X$  and  $Q = -X^2 + 1$ , then deg(P + Q) < 2.

Consequence: Let  $L \in \mathbb{N}^*$  and let  $\mathbb{k}[X]_{\leq L} = \{P \in \mathbb{k}[X] \mid \deg(P) \leq L\}.$ 

This a k-vector space of dimension L, with monomial basis  $\{1, X, X^2, \dots, X^{L-1}\}$  (Comment: there are many other bases of  $k[X]_{\leq L}$ !).

# Lagrange bases of $k[X]_{\leq L}$

Nodes: Let  $a_1, \ldots, a_L$  be L distinct points in k (assume L < |k|, if k is finite).

Idempotents: For  $1 \leq i \leq L$ , let  $\ell_i(X) := \prod_{j \neq i} \frac{X - a_j}{a_i - a_j}$ .

- $\ell_i(a_j) = 0$  if  $j \neq i$ , and  $\ell_i(a_i) = 1$ .
- $\deg(\ell_i) = L 1$

Lagrange interpolation formula: For any  $P \in \mathbb{k}[X]_{\leq L}$ , we have

$$P(X) = \sum_{i=1}^{L} P(a_i) \ell_i(X)$$
. Indeed, let  $Q(X) = P(X) - \sum_{i=1}^{L} P(a_i) \ell_i(X)$ :

$$Q(a_i) = P(a_i) - P(a_1)\ell_1(a_i) - P(a_2)\ell_2(a_i) - \dots - P(a_i)\ell_i(a_i) - \dots - P(a_L)\ell_L(a_i)$$
  
=  $P(a_i) - 0 - 0 - \dots - P(a_i)1 - \dots - 0$ 

$$= 0.$$

 $\Rightarrow Q$  is of degree L-1 and has L roots, hence Q=0 (Corollary 1, Lect. I).

Consequences:  $1 = \ell_1(X) + \ell_2(X) + \cdots + \ell_L(X)$ .

 $\{\ell_1(X), \ldots, \ell_L(X)\}$  generates  $k[X]_{\leq L}$  as a vector space, so it is a basis.

# The graded commutative algebra k[X]

Consequence: ... The multiplication in  $\mathbb{k}[X]$  induces a  $\mathbb{k}$ -bilinear map of  $\mathbb{k}[X]$ :

$$Mult: \ \mathbb{k}[X]_{\leq L_1} \times \mathbb{k}[X]_{\leq L_2} \longrightarrow \mathbb{k}[X]_{\leq L_1 + L_2}$$

$$(A, B) \longmapsto AB$$

We say that  $\mathbb{k}[X]$  is a graded ring.

Also k[X] is a k-vector space (of infinite dimension...)  $\Rightarrow$  it is an algebra over k.

 $\Rightarrow$  Finally, k[X] is a ring, a k-vector space, graded, commutative: it is a graded commutative algebra over k.

**Definition 2** An algebra A over a field k is a ring that is a k-vector space.

# Part II: The quotient ring $k[X]/\langle P \rangle$

## The remainder map

Let  $P \in \mathbb{k}[X]$  be a non-constant polynomial of degree  $L \geq 1$ .

For any  $A \in \mathbb{k}[X]$ , let A = BP + R be the Euclidean division of A by P.

The map  $\phi_P$  is well-defined, because the remainder R is uniquely determined by A and P.

$$\phi_P : \mathbb{k}[X] \longrightarrow \mathbb{k}[X]_{\leq L}$$

$$A \longmapsto R,$$

Easy to check: For any  $A_1, A_2 \in \mathbb{k}[X]$  we have:

$$\phi_P(A_1 + A_2) = \phi_P(A_1) + \phi_P(A_2).$$

For any  $\lambda \in \mathbb{k}$ :  $\phi_P(\lambda A_1) = \lambda \phi_P(A_1)$ .

 $\Rightarrow \phi_P$  is a linear map between the k-vector spaces k[X] and  $k[X]_{\leq L}$ .

## Kernel of the remainder map

$$\ker \phi_P = \{ A \in \mathbb{k}[X] \mid \phi_P(A) = 0 \}$$
$$= \{ A \in \mathbb{k}[X] \mid P \mid A, \text{ "}P \text{ divides } A \text{"} \}.$$

Hence  $\ker \phi_P = \langle P \rangle$  (the principal ideal generated by P).

Notation: For  $a \in \mathbb{k}[X]$  let  $a + \langle P \rangle = \{a + QP \mid Q \in \mathbb{k}[X]\} \subset \mathbb{k}[X]$ .

(Comment: sometimes denoted  $a \mod P$ , or even  $a\langle P\rangle \dots$ )

**Definition 3** An ideal I of a commutative ring A is a subset which verifies:

- 1. I is a subgroup of A for the addition.
- 2. for all  $a \in A$  and  $b \in I$ , we have  $ab \in A$

An ideal I is said to be **principal** if  $I = \langle b \rangle$  (where  $\langle b \rangle := \{ab \mid a \in A\}$ ).

## A quotient algebra

Let  $k[X]/\langle P \rangle := \{a + \langle P \rangle \mid a \in k[X]\}.$ 

**Lemma 1**  $\mathbb{k}[X]/\langle P \rangle$  is a  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra (a  $\mathbb{k}$ -vector space and a ring).

PROOF:Let  $\langle P \rangle \in \mathbb{k}[X]/\langle P \rangle$  be the zero element.

Addition:  $(a + \langle P \rangle) + (b + \langle P \rangle) := (a + b) + \langle P \rangle$ 

Multiplication:  $(a + \langle P \rangle) \cdot (b + \langle P \rangle) := ab + \langle P \rangle$ . (indeed:

$$(a + \langle P \rangle) \cdot (b + \langle P \rangle) = ab + (a + b)\langle P \rangle + \langle P^2 \rangle$$
, but  $(a + b)\langle P \rangle + \langle P^2 \rangle \subset \langle P \rangle$ .

Easy to check: with this addition and multiplication,  $k[X]/\langle P \rangle$  is a ring (Cf. Definition 1)

Finally, for  $\lambda \in \mathbb{k}^*$ , we have:  $\lambda(a + \langle P \rangle) = \lambda a + \langle P \rangle$ , because  $\langle \lambda P \rangle = \langle P \rangle$ .

This defines on  $\mathbb{k}[X]/\langle P \rangle$  a structure of vector space over  $\mathbb{k}$ .

By Definition 2 this shows that  $\mathbb{k}[X]/\langle P \rangle$  is an algebra.

### An isomorphism

For two polynomials  $a, b \in \mathbb{k}[X]$ , if  $a - b \in \langle P \rangle = \ker \phi_P$  then:

$$\phi_P(a-b) = 0 \Rightarrow \phi_P(a) = \phi_P(b) \Rightarrow \forall b \in a + \langle P \rangle, \ \phi_P(b) = \phi_P(a).$$

Then  $\bar{\phi}_P(a + \langle P \rangle) := \phi_P(a)$  is well-defined.

$$\mathbb{k}[X] \xrightarrow{\mod P} \mathbb{k}[X]/\langle P \rangle \xrightarrow{\bar{\phi}_P} \mathbb{k}[X]_{\langle L}$$

$$a \mapsto a + \langle P \rangle \mapsto \bar{\phi}_P(a + \langle P \rangle).$$

By definition:  $\phi_P = \bar{\phi}_P \circ \text{mod} P$ .

- $\Rightarrow \ker \overline{\phi}_P = \langle P \rangle$  which is zero in  $\mathbb{k}[X]/\langle P \rangle$ .
- $\Rightarrow \bar{\phi}_P$  is an isomorphism of vector spaces between  $\mathbb{k}[X]/\langle P \rangle$  and  $\mathbb{k}[X]_{\leq L}$ .
- $\Rightarrow \dim_{\mathbb{k}} \mathbb{k}[X]/\langle P \rangle = L.$

Comment:  $k[X]_{\leq L}$  is not a subring of k[X], because there exists  $P_1, P_2 \in k[X]_{\leq L}$ , such that  $\deg(P_1P_2) \geq L$  (so that  $P_1P_2 \notin k[X]_{\leq L}$ ). But we can transport the multiplication of  $k[X]/\langle P \rangle$  to  $k[X]_{\leq L}$  by this linear isomorphism:

 $P_1 \cdot P_2 := \bar{\phi}_P(P_1 P_2)$ . Then,  $\bar{\phi}_P$  is a ring homomorphism, and also an isomorphism.

## Abstraction to general rings

Let A be a commutative ring and I an ideal of A.

The *quotient* ring A/I is a ring defined in the following way:

Addition: (a + I) + (b + I) = (a + b) + I.

Multiplication:  $(a+I)(b+I) = ab + (a+b)I + I^2 \subset (ab) + I$ .

Let B be another ring, and  $\phi: A \to B$  a ring homomorphism:

- 1.  $\phi(0) = 0$ ,  $\phi(1_A) = 1_B$  and for all  $a_1, a_2 \in A$ :
- 2.  $\phi(a_1 + a_2) = \phi(a_1) + \phi(a_2)$  and  $\phi(a_1 a_2) = \phi(a_1)\phi(a_2)$ ,

First isomorphism theorem: As before,  $I := \ker \phi$  is an ideal of A, and  $\forall a' \in a + I$ ,  $\phi(a') = \phi(a)$ .

The map  $\bar{\phi}(a+I) := \phi(a)$  is well-defined and verifies,  $\phi = \bar{\phi} \circ \text{mod } I$ :

$$A \xrightarrow{\mod I} A/I \xrightarrow{\bar{\phi}} B$$
, and  $\bar{\phi}$  is one-one

# Another very similar ring: $\mathbb{Z}$ (1/2)

 $\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{k}[X]$  are 2 rings with an Euclidean division: they are Euclidean rings.

Let 
$$n \in \mathbb{N}$$
 and let  $\phi_n : \mathbb{Z} \to \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\},$   
 $r \mapsto r \mod n \text{ (euclidean remainder of } r \text{ by } n\text{)}.$ 

As usual:  $\phi_n(x+y) = \phi_n(\phi_n(x) + \phi_n(y)) = x + y \mod n$ .

$$\phi_n(xy) = \phi_n(\phi_n(x)\phi_n(y)) = xy \bmod n.$$

 $/! \setminus \{0, \ldots, n-1\}$  has no structure: no addition, multiplication...

We transport the addition and multiplication of  $\mathbb{Z}$  to  $\{0, \ldots, n-1\}$  by the map  $\phi_n : \phi_n$  becomes then a ring homomorphism that is onto.

**Definition 4** A principal ideal domain (PID for short) is an integral domain in which each ideal is principal.

**Proposition 2** Any Euclidean ring is a PID (but some PID are not Euclidean).

# Another very similar ring: $\mathbb{Z}$ (2/2)

Kernel of the map  $\phi_n$ :  $\ker \phi_n = \{r \in \mathbb{Z} \mid n | r \text{ "} r \text{ divides } n \text{"} \} = n \mathbb{Z}.$ 

This is an ideal of  $\mathbb{Z}$ . The quotient ring is denoted  $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ .

An element of  $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$  is denoted  $a + n\mathbb{Z}$  (=  $\{a + rn \mid r \in \mathbb{Z}\} \subset \mathbb{Z}$ ).

The addition and multiplication of  $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$  are defined naturally.

If  $a' \in a + n\mathbb{Z}$ , then  $\phi_n(a') = \phi_n(a)$ , so the map

$$\bar{\phi}_n : \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \to \{0, \dots, n-1\},$$

$$a + n\mathbb{Z} \mapsto \phi_n(a)$$

is well-defined.

The first isomorphism theorem is written in this case:

$$\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\mod n} \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\bar{\phi}_n} \{0,\ldots,n-1\}, \quad \text{with } \phi_n = \bar{\phi}_n \circ \text{mod } n, \text{ and } \bar{\phi}_n \text{ is one-one}$$

# Part III: When $k[X]/\langle P \rangle$ is it a field?

## Bézout identity

Let a and b be two polynomials of k[X]; denote gcd(a,b) = g.

This means:  $\langle a,b\rangle = \langle g\rangle$ , so there exists,  $u,v\in \mathbb{k}[X]$  such that

$$au + bv = g$$
 (Bézout identity)

Euclid's Lemma: Let p and x be 2 relatively prime ( $\iff \gcd(p,x)=1$ ) polynomials in  $\Bbbk[X]$ , and y another one. Assume that: p|xy (p divides xy). Then p|y (p divides y).

PROOF: The Bézout identity of p and x is here : up + vx = 1 for 2 polynomials  $u, v \in \mathbb{k}[X]$ .

So upy + vxy = y and since p|xy, there exists p' such that pp' = xy:

$$\Rightarrow upy + vpp' = y \Rightarrow p(uy + vp') = y$$
, so  $p|y$ .

#### Prime ideal and irreducible element

**Definition 5** A polynomial  $P \in \mathbb{k}[X]$  is irreducible if it is non-constant  $(\iff \deg(P) > 0)$ , and if we have:

$$P = P_1 P_2$$
, then  $P_1$  or  $P_2 \in \mathbb{k}$  ( $\iff$  deg $(P_1)$  or deg $(P_2) = 0$ ).

Comment: If P is an irreducible polynomial, then P has no root in  $\mathbb{k}$  (indeed if  $\alpha \in \mathbb{k}$  is such a root, then  $X - \alpha$  is a factor in  $\mathbb{k}[X]$  of P, contradiction).

The converse is false:  $X^4 - X^2 + 2$  has no root in  $\mathbb{k}$ , but factorizes into  $(X^2 + 1)(X^2 - 2)$ .

**Proposition 3** If P is an irreducible polynomial, then the ideal it generates  $\langle P \rangle$  in  $\mathbb{k}[X]$ , is a prime ideal.

**Definition 6** An ideal I of a ring A is prime if for all  $x, y \in A$  such that  $xy \in I$ , then  $x \in I$  or  $y \in I$ .

# Field $\mathbb{k}[X]/\langle P \rangle$

PROOF: (of Proposition 3) Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{k}[X]$  such that  $xy \in \langle P \rangle$ . This is equivalent to p|xy. By Euclid's Lemma, p|x or p|y; so x or  $y \in \langle P \rangle$ .

This implies: if P is irreducible, then  $\mathbb{k}[X]/\langle P \rangle$  is an integral domain. There is actually a stronger result:

**Proposition 4** If P is an irreducible polynomial, then  $\mathbb{k}[X]/\langle P \rangle$  is a field

PROOF: Given  $a + \langle P \rangle \neq 0$  in  $\mathbb{k}[X]/\langle P \rangle$  ( $\iff a \notin \langle P \rangle$ ), what is its inverse?

- (1) If  $a \in \mathbb{k}^*$ , then  $(a + \langle P \rangle)(\frac{1}{a} + \langle P \rangle) = 1 + \langle P \rangle$ .
- (2) If  $a \notin \mathbb{k}$ , ( $\iff$  deg(a) > 0), then a and P are relatively prime (since P is supposed irreducible), and the Bézout identity holds: au + Pv = 1. It comes:  $(a + \langle P \rangle)(u + \langle P \rangle) = 1 + \langle P \rangle$ .

**Definition 7** A ring A is an integral domain if  $xy = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$  or y = 0.

**Lemma 2** If I is a prime ideal, then A/I is an integral domain.

## Computing Bézout identity

#### Extended Euclidean Algorithm

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# Inputs: f, g \in \mathbb{k}[X] with f \neq 0 and \deg(f) \geq \deg(g)
# Outputs: \ell \in \mathbb{N}, r_{\ell}, s_{\ell}, t_{\ell} \in \mathbb{k}[X], with r_{\ell} = \gcd(f, g) and r_{\ell} = fs_{\ell} + gt_{\ell}.
1: r_0 \leftarrow f, s_0 \leftarrow 1, t_0 \leftarrow 0
2: r_1 \leftarrow q, s_1 \leftarrow 0, t_1 \leftarrow 1
3: i \leftarrow 1
4: while (r_i \neq 0) do
5: (q_i, r_{i+1}) \leftarrow \text{EuclideanDivision}(r_{i-1}, r_i) / so \ that: r_{i-1} = q_i r_i + r_{i+1}
6: s_{i+1} \leftarrow s_{i-1} - q_i s_i
7: t_{i+1} \leftarrow t_{i-1} - q_i t_i
8: i \leftarrow i + 1
      end while
9: \ell \leftarrow i-1
10: return \ell, r_{\ell}, s_{\ell}, t_{\ell}.
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#### **Termination**

Does the algorithm terminate? Yes.

We must show that the while loop at Step 4 exits after a finite number of iterations. For all i = 1, 2, ... by Step 5,  $r_{i-1} = q_i r_i + r_{i+1}$ , with  $r_{i-1} \neq 0$  and  $\deg(r_{i-1}) < \deg(r_i)$  or  $r_{i-1} = 0$ .

Starting with  $r_0 = f$ , and  $r_1 = g$ , the sequence  $(\deg(r_i))_{i \geq 0}$  is strictly decreasing, and then there exists  $i \geq 1$  such that  $r_i = 0$ . Then the while loop does a finite number of iterations.

Actually, this shows that the number of iterations is at most  $deg(r_1) = deg(g)$ .

Comment: If we replace  $\mathbb{k}[X]$  by  $\mathbb{Z}$ , and deg(.) by the absolute value |.|, the algorithm and the proof of termination are the same.

#### Correctness

Is the algorithm correct? Or is  $r_{\ell} = fs_{\ell} + gt_{\ell}$  the Bézout identity?

For  $i = 0, ..., \ell$ , the equality  $r_i = fs_i + gt_i$  (\*)<sub>i</sub> holds.

Proof by induction. By the initialization step,  $r_0 = f$  and  $s_0 f + t_0 g = f$ . Then if we assume Equality  $(*)_j$  true for  $j = 0, \ldots, i$  then by Steps 5,6 and 7:

$$r_{i+1} = r_{i-1} - r_i q_i = (s_{i-1}f + t_{i-1}g) - (s_i f + t_i g)q_i$$
$$= (s_{i-1} - q_i s_i)f + (t_{i-1} - q_i t_i)g = s_{i+1}f + t_{i+1}g,$$

which is  $(*)_{i+1}$ .

Finally, if  $r_i = 0$ , then we have  $r_{i-1} = \gcd(f, g)$  (this is the standard Euclidean algorithm) and Step 9 denotes  $r_{\ell} = \gcd(f, g)$ . So  $r_{\ell} = fs_{\ell} + gt_{\ell}$ 

Comment: This proof is correct if we exchange k[X] by  $\mathbb{Z}$  (or any Euclidean ring).

# Example over $\mathbb{Z}$

f = 126 and g = 35.

i	$\mid q_i \mid$	$r_i$	$\mid s_i \mid$	$\mid t_i \mid$	$r_i = s_i f + t_i g$	$r_{i-1} = q_i r_i + r_{i+1}$
0		126	1	0	126 = 1.126 + 0.35	
1	3	35	0	1	35 = 0.126 + 1.35	126 = 3.35 + 21
2	1	21	1	-3	21 = 1.126 - 3.35	35 = 1.21 + 14
3	1	14	-1	$\mid 4 \mid$	14 = -1.126 + 4.35	21 = 1.14 + 7
4	2	7	2	-7	7 = 2.126 - 7.35	14 = 2.7 + 0
5		0	-5	18	0 = -5.126 + 18.35	

We have  $r_5 = 0$  so  $\ell = 4$  and  $gcd(f, g) = r_4 = 7$  and the Bézout identity is:

$$7 = 2.126 - 7.35$$

## Example over k[X]

$$f = 18X^3 - 42X^2 + 30X - 6$$
 and  $g = -12X^2 + 10X - 2$ 

i	$q_i$	$r_i$	$s_i$	$t_i$
0		$18X^3 - 42X^2 + 30X - 6$	1	0
1	$-\frac{3}{2}X + \frac{9}{4}$	$-12X^2 + 10X - 2$	0	1
2	$-\frac{8}{3}X + \frac{4}{3}$	$\frac{9}{2}X - \frac{3}{2}$	1	$\frac{3}{2}X - \frac{9}{4}$
3		0	$\frac{8}{3}X - \frac{4}{3}$	$4X^2 - 8X + 4$

Here  $r_3 = 0$  so  $\ell = 2$  and  $gcd(f, g) = r_\ell = r_2 = \frac{9}{2}X - \frac{3}{2}$ . The Bézout identity:

$$\frac{9}{2}X - \frac{3}{2} = 1.(18X^3 - 42X^2 + 30X - 6) + \left(\frac{3}{2}X - \frac{9}{4}\right)(-12X^2 + 10X - 2)$$

## Application of the EEA, 1

Linear Diophantine equations: What are the  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that 6x - 8y = 1?  $gcd(6, 8) = 2 \Rightarrow \langle 8, 6 \rangle = \langle 2 \rangle$ . But  $1 \notin \langle 2 \rangle$ , so there is no solutions in  $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ .

What about 6x - 8y = 4? We can divide by the gcd: 3x - 4y = 2

This time, gcd(3,4) = 1, so  $2 \in \langle 1 \rangle = \mathbb{Z}$  and there are some solutions.

Compute the Bézout identity by the Extended Euclidean Algorithm (EEA):

$$3.(-1) + (-4).(-1) = 1 \Rightarrow 3.(-2) + (-4).(-2) = 2.$$

 $\Rightarrow$  this gives one solution (x, y) = (-2, -2).

All solutions are  $(x, y) = (-2 + 4a, -2 + 3a), a \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

## Application of the EEA, 2

Chinese remaindering theorem: If  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  are coprime

$$\langle n, m \rangle = \langle 1 \rangle$$

There is an isomorphism between the two following rings:

$$\mathbb{Z}/mn\mathbb{Z} \simeq \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} imes \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$$
 Bé $a \mod mn \mapsto a \mod n \ , \ a \mod m$   $un$   $(bun + avm) \mod mn \leftarrow a \mod n \ , \ b \mod m$ 

Bézout identity:

$$un + vm = 1$$

Similarly, given 2 coprime polynomials  $A, B \in \mathbb{k}[X]$ 

$$\langle A, B \rangle = \langle 1 \rangle$$

There is an isomorphism between the two following rings:

# Part IV: Algebraic numbers

## Back to the rationals: $k = \mathbb{Q}$

Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ , and let  $\mathbb{Q}[\alpha] := \{P(\alpha) \mid P \in \mathbb{Q}[X]\}$ . This is a subring of  $\mathbb{C}$ .

Consider  $\phi_{\alpha} : \mathbb{Q}[X] \to \mathbb{Q}[\alpha], P(X) \mapsto P(\alpha)$ .

This a ring homomorphism, that is onto by definition of  $\mathbb{Q}[\alpha]$ 

Let  $\ker \phi_{\alpha} := \{ P \in \mathbb{Q}[X] | P(\alpha) = 0 \}$  be its kernel.

1st case,  $\ker \phi_{\alpha} = \{0\}$ : then  $\alpha$  is a transcendental number.

2nd case,  $\ker \phi_{\alpha} \neq \{0\}$ , then  $\alpha$  is an algebraic number.

By the first isomorphism theorem  $\mathbb{Q}[X]/\ker\phi_{\alpha}\simeq\mathbb{Q}[\alpha]$  as rings.

Since  $\mathbb{Q}[\alpha]$  is an integral domain, then  $\ker \phi_{\alpha}$  must be a prime ideal (Lemma 2).

Assume that  $\alpha$  is algebraic. Since  $\ker \phi_{\alpha} \neq \{0\}$ , there exists an unique irreducible monic polynomial P such that  $\langle P \rangle = \ker \phi_{\alpha}$ .

**Definition 8** P is called the minimal polynomial of  $\alpha$ .

## The field embedding problem

 $\langle P \rangle$  generates the ideal of vanishing polynomial at  $\alpha$ .

 $\mathbb{Q}[X]/\langle P \rangle$  is a field  $\Rightarrow$  the ring  $\mathbb{Q}[\alpha]$  also, denoted often  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$ .

Let  $\beta$  be another root of P ( $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are conjugate).

Then  $\mathbb{Q}[\beta]$  is a field isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Q}[X]/\langle P \rangle$ .

An embedding  $\sigma: \mathbb{Q}[X]/\langle P \rangle \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is an injective homomorphism, that induces the identity on  $\mathbb{Q}$  ( $\sigma(x) = x$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{Q}$ ).

For each root  $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n$  of P, there is an embedding  $\sigma_i$  of  $\mathbb{Q}[X]/\langle P \rangle$  whose image is  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha_i) \subset \mathbb{C}$ .

Embedding problem: Among the fields  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha_i)$ , i = 1, ..., n, which fields  $\mathbb{Q}[X]/\langle P \rangle$  is it representing? ( $\iff$  which embedding  $\sigma_1, ..., \sigma_n$  choosing?)

No answer, if necessary, numerical approximations of the roots of P can be done then it is satisfactory.

# Computation in $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$ (1/2)

Because  $\{1, X, ..., X^{n-1}\}$  is a basis of the  $\mathbb{Q}$ -vector space  $\mathbb{Q}[X]/\langle P \rangle$ , and because  $\mathbb{Q}[X]/\langle P \rangle \to \mathbb{Q}[\alpha]$ ,  $X \mapsto \alpha$  is an isomorphism, we deduce that  $\{1, \alpha, \alpha^2, ..., \alpha^{n-1}\}$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$ .

To compute in  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$  we compute in  $\mathbb{Q}[X]/\langle P \rangle$ 

Let  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma \in \mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$ .

$$\beta = \beta_0.1 + \beta_1.\alpha + \beta_2\alpha^2 + \dots + \beta_{n-1}\alpha^{n-1}$$
, with  $\beta_i \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

$$\gamma = \gamma_0.1 + \gamma_1.\alpha + \gamma_2\alpha^2 + \dots + \gamma_{n-1}\alpha^{n-1}$$
, with  $\gamma_i \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

Let 
$$P_{\beta}(X) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \beta_i X^i \in \mathbb{Q}[X]$$
 and  $P_{\gamma}(X) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \gamma_i X^i \in \mathbb{Q}[X]$ .

We have  $P_{\beta}(\alpha) = \beta$  and  $P_{\gamma}(\alpha) = \gamma$ .

Addition:  $\beta + \gamma$  is equal to  $P_{\beta}(\alpha) + P_{\gamma}(\alpha)$ , so  $P_{\beta+\gamma} = P_{\beta} + P_{\gamma}$ .

Multiplication:  $\beta \cdot \gamma$  is equal to  $P_{\beta}(\alpha) \cdot P_{\gamma}(\alpha)$ , so  $P_{\beta \cdot \gamma} = P_{\beta} \cdot P_{\gamma} \mod P$ .

## Computation in $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$ (2/2)

Division: Assume that  $\beta \neq 0$ . How to compute  $\beta^{-1}$ ?

 $\iff$  How to compute  $(P_{\beta} \mod P)^{-1}$  in the field  $\mathbb{Q}[X]/\langle P \rangle$ ?

By Proposition 4, we compute the Bézout identity  $uP_{\beta} + vP = 1$  using the EEA.

And  $(P_{\beta} \mod P)^{-1} = \mathbf{u} \mod P$  in  $\mathbb{Q}[X]/\langle P \rangle$ .

So 
$$P_{\beta^{-1}} = \mathbf{u} \Rightarrow \beta^{-1} = \mathbf{u}(\alpha) = P_{\beta^{-1}}(\alpha)$$
.

# Effective primitive element theorem (1/2)

Let  $\mathbb{k}$  be a finite extension of  $\mathbb{Q}$ , and let n the degree  $[\mathbb{k} : \mathbb{Q}]$  of the extension.

**Theorem 1** There exists exactly n distinct embeddings of k.

Proof: (No proof, admitted. It is not the purpose of this class.)

Corollary 1 (Theorem of the primitive element) There exists  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $\mathbb{k} = \mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$ . Such an  $\alpha$  is called a primitive element of  $\mathbb{k}$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Proof: (On the blackboard...)

**Definition 9** A field  $\mathbb{L}$  is an extension of a field  $\mathbb{K}$  if  $\mathbb{K} \subset \mathbb{L}$ . The field  $\mathbb{L}$  is then a  $\mathbb{K}$ -vector space, and we say that  $\mathbb{L}|\mathbb{K}$  is a field extension.

If the dimension of  $\mathbb{L}$  over  $\mathbb{K}$  is finite, then the extension  $\mathbb{L}|\mathbb{K}$  is said finite. This dimension is called the degree of the extension  $\mathbb{L}|\mathbb{K}$ , denoted  $[\mathbb{L} : \mathbb{K}]$ .

# Effective primitive element theorem (2/2)

How to compute a primitive element  $\alpha$ ?

Answer: There are a lot of possibilities  $! \Rightarrow$  choose one at random...

In practice, k is given by some algebraic elements  $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_t$  so that  $k = \mathbb{Q}(\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_t)$ . We assume that

Today, we assume t = 2, so  $\mathbb{k} = \mathbb{Q}(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)$ , and we know the degree  $[\mathbb{k} : \mathbb{Q}] := n$ 

**Proposition 5** Let  $0 < \epsilon < 1$  be fixed. Let  $M \in \mathbb{N}$ , verifying  $M \ge \frac{n(n-1)}{4\epsilon}$ .

Let  $c \in [-M; M]$  be an integer chosen at random.

Then  $\alpha_1 + c\alpha_2$  is not a primitive element for  $\mathbb{k}$  ( $\iff \mathbb{Q}(\alpha_1 + c\alpha_2) \subsetneq \mathbb{k}$ ) with probability  $\leq \epsilon$ .

Proof: (On the blackboard...)