

Bounded-degree factorization of lacunary polynomials

Bonus: PIT algorithms



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It is **NP-hard** (under BPP reductions) to compute **roots** of $f \in \mathbb{F}_p[X]$.

[Bi-Cheng-Rojas'13]

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Main (informal) result

Inputs: $f \in \mathbb{K}[X_1, \dots, X_n]$; bound d

Assumption: \mathbb{K} of characteristic 0 or $> \deg(f)$

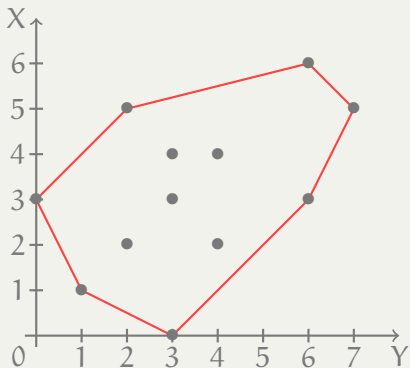
Output: Degree- d factors of f

Algorithms: “Combinatorial” reductions to

- ▶ the univariate case
- ▶ low-degree multivariate factorization

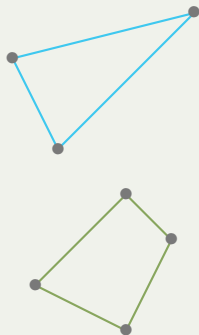
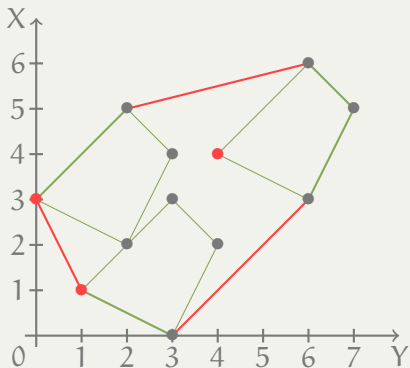
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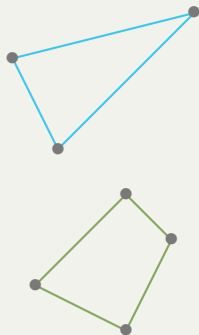
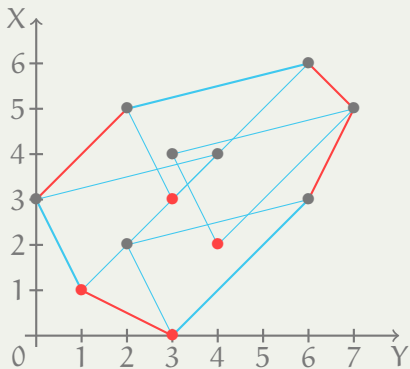
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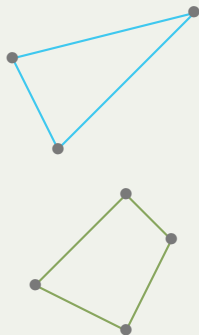
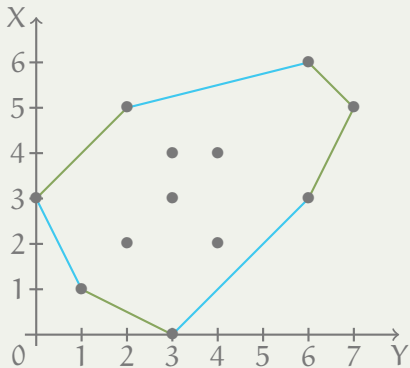
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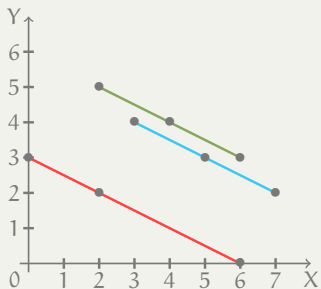
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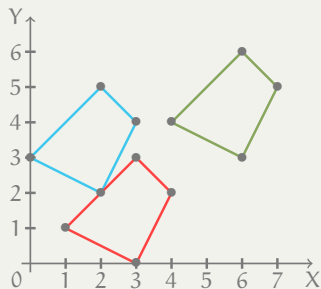


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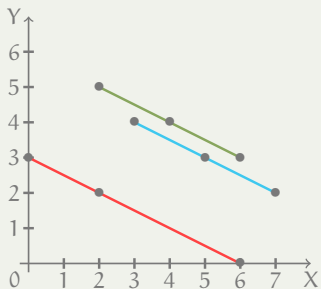


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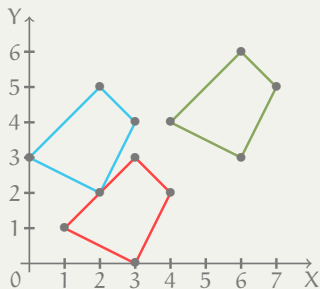
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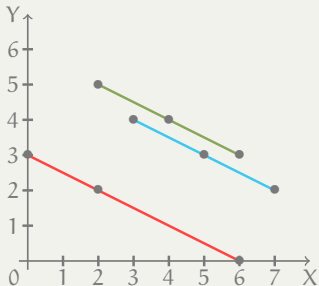


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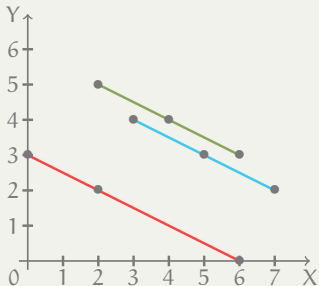
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1. Write f as a sum of δ -components
2. **Project** each component to a univariate lacunary polynomial
3. Compute the common **bounded-degree factors** of the projections
Available for number field only. NP-hard in positive characteristic.
4. **Lift** the univariate factors to unidimensional factors

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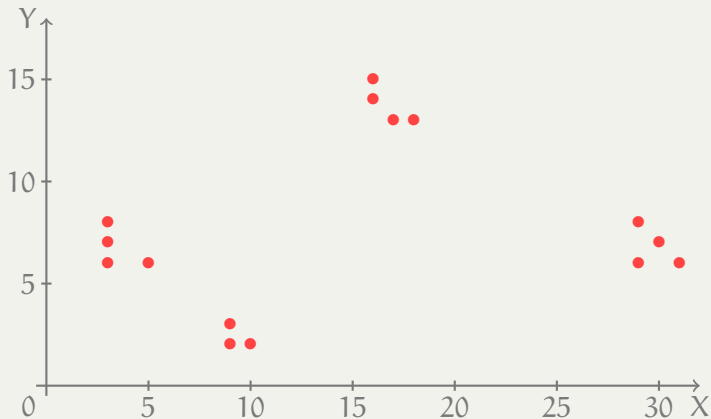
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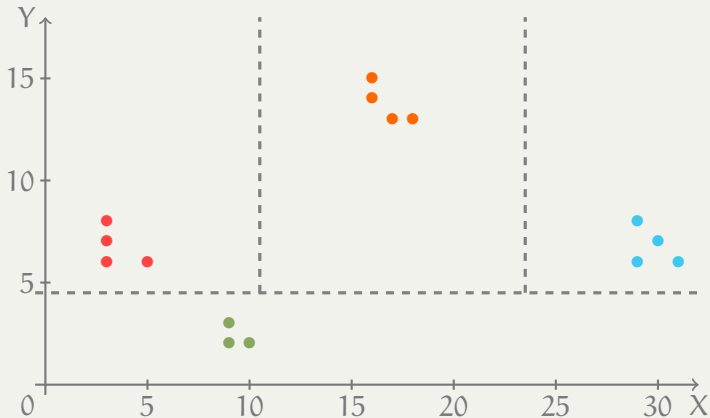
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3. (Factor the gcd using a low-degree factorization algorithm.)

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- Det. PIT alg. in $\text{poly}(k, \log(\alpha_{ij}), \text{deg}(f_i))$
- Modified Gap Theorem (for multiplicity of factors)
- If f_i 's not monic: needs to test $\sum_j \prod_i \lambda_i^{\alpha_{ij}} = 0?$
- Maybe valid with multivariate f_i 's...

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