

Rational and Algebraic Invariants of a Group Action

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Synopsis

Propose algebraic constructions of a **generating set of invariants** that comes with a simple **rewriting algorithm**.

E. Hubert and I. Kogan, *Rational Invariants of a Group Action. Construction and Rewriting*. Journal of Symbolic Computation 42:1-2, p 203-217 (2007).

Original motivations:

- Differential elimination/completion for symmetric differential systems [Mansfield 2001]
- Avoid the implicit function theorem in [Fels & Olver 1999]

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1 Motivation: Symmetric Differential Systems

Differential Elimination

$$\mathcal{S} \begin{cases} s(\phi_{xx} + \phi_{yy}) + s_x \phi_x + s_y \phi_y + \phi = 0 \\ s(\psi_{xx} + \psi_{yy}) + s_x \psi_x + s_y \psi_y + \psi = 0 \\ \psi_x \phi_x + \psi_y \phi_y = 0 \end{cases}$$

What are the conditions on s for \mathcal{S} to have a solution?

(2003) Hubert, *Notes on Triangular Sets and Triangulation - Decomposition Algorithms*. LNCS 2630 .

I: Polynomial systems (1-39). II: Differential Systems (40-87).

(2000) Hubert, *Factorisation Free Decomposition Algorithms in Differential Algebra*, Journal of Symbolic Computation 29:4-5 (641-662).

(1997-) [diffalg](#)

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It is computationally challenging.

Idea: reduce by the symmetry

[Lisle & Reid 1992], [Mansfield 2001]

Guideline: moving frame construction

[Cartan 1935],..., [Fels & Olver 1999]

Still is.

Symmetry

$$\mathcal{S} \begin{cases} s(\phi_{xx} + \phi_{yy}) + s_x \phi_x + s_y \phi_y + \phi = 0 \\ s(\psi_{xx} + \psi_{yy}) + s_x \psi_x + s_y \psi_y + \psi = 0 \\ \psi_x \phi_x + \psi_y \phi_y = 0 \end{cases}$$

[Desolv, Vessiot]

$$\begin{aligned} x &\mapsto \frac{\alpha}{\rho} x - \frac{\beta}{\rho} y + \frac{a}{\rho}, & y &\mapsto \frac{\alpha}{\rho} x + \frac{\beta}{\rho} y + \frac{b}{\rho} \\ s &\mapsto \frac{s}{\rho^2 \tau}, & \phi &\mapsto \frac{\phi}{\mu}, & \psi &\mapsto \frac{\psi}{\nu} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} s_x &\mapsto \frac{\beta}{\rho} s_x - \frac{\alpha}{\rho} s_y, & s_y &\mapsto \frac{\alpha}{\rho} s_y + \frac{\beta}{\rho} s_x, \\ \phi_x &\mapsto \frac{\rho\alpha}{\mu} \phi_x - \frac{\rho\beta}{\mu} \phi_y, & \phi_y &\mapsto \frac{\rho\alpha}{\mu} \phi_y + \frac{\rho\beta}{\mu} \phi_x \\ & & &\dots \end{aligned}$$

$$\rho, \mu, \nu \in \mathbb{R}^*, \quad a, b \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \beta^2 + \alpha^2 = 1$$

Fundamental Invariants

All differential invariants can be written in terms of:

$$\begin{aligned} s_1^2 &= \frac{s_x^2 + s_y^2}{4s}, \quad s_2 = \frac{s_{xy}(s_y^2 - s_x^2) + s_x s_y (s_{xx} - s_{yy})}{8s s_1^3} \\ s_3 &= \frac{s_x^2 s_{yy} + s_y^2 s_{xx} - 2s_x s_y s_{xy}}{8s s_1^3} - s_1 \\ \phi_1 &:= \frac{s_y \phi_x - s_x \phi_y}{2s_1 \phi}, \quad \psi_1 := \frac{s_y \psi_x - s_x \psi_y}{2s_1 \psi}, \quad \psi_2 := \frac{s_x \psi_x + s_y \psi_y}{2s_1 \psi} \\ \phi_2 &:= \frac{s_x \phi_x + s_y \phi_y}{2s_1 \phi} \end{aligned}$$

and their derivatives with respect to the invariant derivations:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \delta_1 \\ \delta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{\pm \sqrt{s(s_y^2 + s_x^2)}}{s_x^2 - s_y^2} \begin{pmatrix} -s_y & s_x \\ s_x & -s_y \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \end{pmatrix}$$

Algebra of differential invariants

The invariant derivations satisfy **non trivial commutation rules**

[aida]

$$\delta_1 \delta_2 - \delta_2 \delta_1 = s_3 \delta_1 + s_2 \delta_2$$

and the *differential syzygies* are

[aida]

$$\mathcal{Z} \begin{cases} \delta_1(s_1) &= s_1 s_2 \\ \delta_1(s_2) - \delta_2(s_3) &= s_3^2 + s_2^2 + s_1(s_2 + s_3) \\ \delta_1(\phi_2) - \delta_2(\phi_1) &= \phi_1 s_3 + \phi_2 s_2, \\ \delta_1(\psi_2) - \delta_2(\psi_1) &= \psi_1 s_3 + \psi_2 s_2. \end{cases}$$

Reduced problem

We can write \mathcal{S} as

[aida]

$$\mathcal{S} \begin{cases} \delta_1(\phi_1) + \delta_2(\phi_2) + \phi_1^2 + \phi_2^2 - s_2 \phi_1 + (2s_1 + s_3)\phi_2 + 1 = 0, \\ \delta_1(\psi_1) + \delta_2(\psi_2) + \psi_1^2 + \psi_2^2 - s_2 \psi_1 + (2s_1 + s_3)\psi_2 + 1 = 0, \\ \phi_1 \psi_1 + \phi_2 \psi_2 = 0. \end{cases}$$

Perform differential elimination on $\mathcal{Z} \cup \mathcal{S}$ with derivations that satisfy non trivial commutation rules.

Note: s_1, s_2, s_3 and δ_1, δ_2 depend only on s and derivatives

The additional relationships on s_1, s_2, s_3 and their derivatives provide the answer to the original problem.

Progress on the Project

- **Computing the fundamental invariants:**

Hubert & Kogan, *Rational Invariants of a Group Action. Construction and Rewriting*. J. of Symbolic Computation (2007).

- **Algebra of (differential) invariants**

Hubert & Kogan. *Smooth and Algebraic Invariants of a Group Action. Local and Global Constructions*. (Submitted 2006).

Algebra of Differential Invariants for Finite Dimensional group. In preparation.

- **Differential elimination with non commuting derivations**

Hubert. *Differential Polynomial Algebra with non Commuting Derivations*. Journal of Pure and Applied Algebra (2005).

Software (MAPLE)

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2 Rational Invariants of a Group Action

2.1 Definitions

Algebraic Group \mathcal{G}

$\mathcal{G} \subset \mathbb{K}^l$ an algebraic variety

$\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$ or \mathbb{C}
 $G \subset \mathbb{K}[\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_l]$ its ideal

$$m: \mathcal{G} \times \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{G} \quad \text{and} \quad i: \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$$

$$(\lambda, \mu) \mapsto \lambda \cdot \mu \quad \lambda \mapsto \lambda^{-1}$$

$$\lambda \cdot \mu \in \mathbb{K}[\lambda, \mu] \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda^{-1} \in \mathbb{K}[\lambda]$$

$$e \in \mathcal{G} \quad e \cdot \lambda = \lambda \cdot e = \lambda$$

\mathcal{G}	\mathbb{K}^*	$\mathbb{K} \times \{-1, 1\}$	$SO(2)$
G	$(\lambda_1 \lambda_2 - 1)$	$(\lambda_2^2 - 1)$	$(\lambda_1^2 + \lambda_2^2 - 1)$
$\lambda \cdot \mu$	$(\lambda_1 \mu_1, \lambda_2 \mu_1)$	$(\lambda_1 + \mu_1, \lambda_2 \mu_2)$	$(\lambda_1 \mu_1 - \lambda_2 \mu_2, \lambda_1 \mu_2 + \lambda_2 \mu_1)$
e	$(1, 1)$	$(0, 1)$	$(1, 0)$
λ^{-1}	(λ_2, λ_1)	$(-\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$	$(\lambda_1, -\lambda_2)$

Rational Action on $\mathcal{Z} = \mathbb{K}^n$

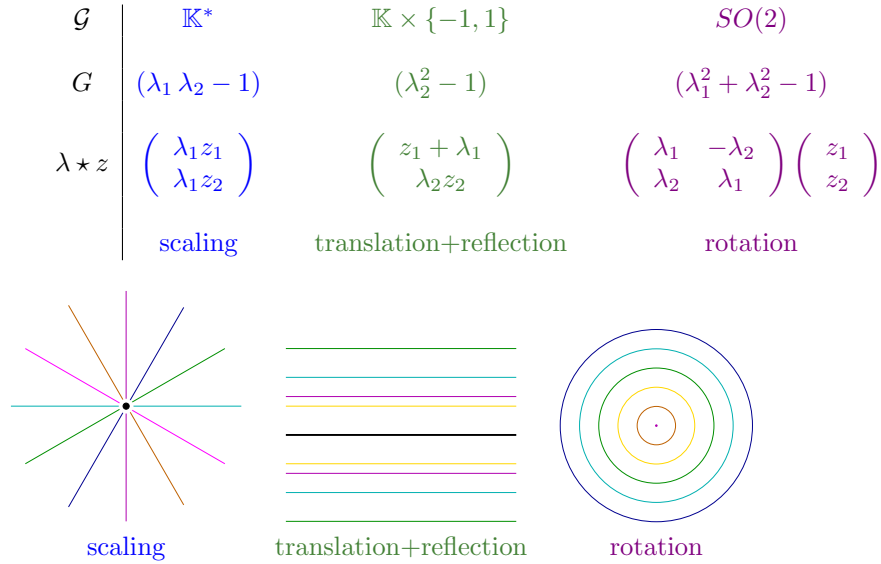
$$g: \mathcal{G} \times \mathcal{Z} \rightarrow \mathcal{Z} \quad (\lambda \cdot \mu) \star z = \lambda \star (\mu \star z)$$

$$(\lambda, z) \mapsto \lambda \star z = \left(\frac{g_1(\lambda, z)}{h(\lambda, z)}, \dots, \frac{g_n(\lambda, z)}{h(\lambda, z)} \right)$$

Orbit of $z \in \mathcal{Z}$

$$\mathcal{O}_z = \{\lambda \star z \mid \lambda \in \mathcal{G}\}$$

$$h, g_1, \dots, g_n \in \mathbb{K}[\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_l, z_1, \dots, z_n]$$



Field of Rational Invariants $\mathbb{K}(z)^G$

Rational invariant: $\frac{p}{q} \in \mathbb{K}(z) \quad \frac{p(\lambda \star z)}{q(\lambda \star z)} = \frac{p(z)}{q(z)} \pmod{G}$

Field of rational invariants: $\mathbb{K}(z)^G$

\mathcal{G}	\mathbb{K}^*	$\mathbb{K} \times \{-1, 1\}$	$SO(2)$
$\mathbb{K}(z)^G$	$\mathbb{K}\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right)$	$\mathbb{K}(z_2^2)$	$\mathbb{K}(z_1^2 + z_2^2)$

2.2 Results

Rational Invariants

ALGORITHM

In : $G, (g_1(\lambda, z), \dots, g_n(\lambda, z), h(\lambda, z)) \in \mathbb{K}[\lambda, z]$

Out : $\{r_1, \dots, r_\kappa\} \subset \mathbb{K}(z)^G$

$$\begin{aligned} \xrightarrow{Q}: \mathbb{K}(z)^G &\rightarrow \mathbb{K}(y_1, \dots, y_\kappa) & r &= R(r_1, \dots, r_\kappa) \\ r &\mapsto R \end{aligned}$$

So : $\mathbb{K}(z)^G = \mathbb{K}(r_1, \dots, r_\kappa)$

I : Gröbner basis of an unmixed dimensional ideal of dimension s

II : Gröbner basis of a zero dimensional ideal

Relies on the choice of a generic linear space of codimension s

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Algebraic Moving Frame

We introduce replacement invariants

$$\xi = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n), \quad \xi_i \in \overline{\mathbb{K}(z)}^G$$

with property

$$r(z_1, \dots, z_n) = r(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n) \quad \forall r \in \mathbb{K}(z)^G$$

ξ is the algebraic counterpart of the Cartan normalized invariants.

3 Intermezzo : Gröbner bases

Gröbner bases in $\mathbb{K}[z_1, \dots, z_n]$

I a (radical) ideal in $\mathbb{K}[z] = \mathbb{K}[z_1, \dots, z_n]$

Hilbert: $I = (q_1, \dots, q_l)$

Reduc^o: $z^\alpha = z_1^{\alpha_1} \dots z_n^{\alpha_n}$

$$q = z^\alpha - \sum_{\beta < \alpha} c_\beta z^\beta \qquad z^{\alpha+\gamma} \xrightarrow{q} z^\gamma \sum_{\beta < \alpha} c_\beta z^\beta$$

Gröbner: $\{q_1, \dots, q_l\}$ a Gröbner basis if $p \in I \Leftrightarrow p \xrightarrow{*}_Q 0$

Prop: Reduced Gröbner bases are canonical representative for ideals

Algo: INPUT: p_1, \dots, p_m a generating set of I
 OUTPUT: $Q = \{q_1, \dots, q_l\}$ a reduced Gröbner basis of I

\rightsquigarrow \mathbb{K} -basis for $\mathbb{K}[z]/I$, its Hilbert polynomial, resolution.

Observe: $p_1, \dots, p_m \in k[z] \Rightarrow Q \subset k[z] \qquad k \subset \mathbb{K}$

\rightsquigarrow The coefficients of Q give the field of definition of I .

4 Construction and rewriting of rational invariants

4.1 Graph ideal \rightsquigarrow Rosenlicht (1956),...

Graph of the action & its ideal \mathcal{O}

- Graph of the action

$$\mathcal{O} = \{(z, z') \in \mathcal{Z} \times \mathcal{Z} \mid \exists \lambda \in \mathcal{G} \text{ s.t. } z' = \lambda \star z\}$$

- Its ideal: $\mathcal{O} = (G + (Z - \lambda \star z)) \cap \mathbb{K}[z, Z]$

$Z = (Z_1, \dots, Z_n)$ new set of variables

$$(Z - \lambda \star z) = (h Z_i - g_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n) : h^\infty$$

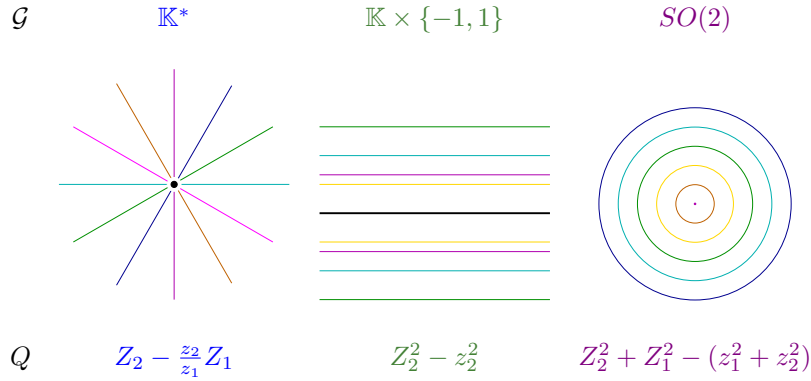
- \mathcal{O}^e the extension of \mathcal{O} to $\mathbb{K}(z)[Z]$.
 \rightsquigarrow the ideal of a generic orbit

Construction of rational invariants

Invariance: $(z, z') \in \mathcal{O} \Rightarrow (\lambda \star z, z') \in \mathcal{O}$

Thm: The reduced Gröbner basis of \mathcal{O}^e is contained in $\mathbb{K}(z)^G[Z]$.

Examples



Rewriting & Generation

Q reduced Gröbner basis of \mathcal{O}^e

$\{r_1, \dots, r_\kappa\}$ the coefficients of Q

Theorem:

$$\mathbb{K}(z)^G = \mathbb{K}(r_1, \dots, r_\kappa)$$

i^{2-i}

Rewriting $\frac{p}{q} \in \mathbb{K}(z)^G$

- y_1, \dots, y_κ a new indeterminates
- $Q_y := Q(r_i \leftarrow y_i)$
- $p(Z) \xrightarrow{*}_{Q_y} \sum_{\alpha} a_{\alpha}(y) Z^{\alpha}$
- $q(Z) \xrightarrow{*}_{Q_y} \sum_{\alpha} b_{\alpha}(y) Z^{\alpha}$
- $\frac{p(z)}{q(z)} = \frac{a_{\alpha}(r)}{b_{\alpha}(r)}$

Example of rewriting for the scaling

$$Q = \left\{ Z_2 - \frac{z_2}{z_1} Z_1 \right\} \quad r = \frac{z_2}{z_1} \quad Q_y = \{ Z_2 - y Z_1 \}$$

$$\frac{p}{q} = \frac{z_1^2 + 4z_1 z_2 + z_2^2}{z_1^2 - 3z_2^2}$$

$$p(Z) = Z_1^2 + 4Z_1 Z_2 + Z_2^2 \longrightarrow_{Q_y} (y^2 + 4y + 1) Z_2^2$$

$$q(Z) = Z_1^2 - 3Z_2^2 \longrightarrow_{Q_y} (y^2 - 3) Z_2^2$$

$$q(z)p(Z) \equiv p(z)q(Z) \bmod O^e \Rightarrow q(z)(r^2 - 3)Z_2^2 = p(z)(r^2 + 4r + 1)Z_2^2$$

$$\frac{z_1^2 + 4z_1 z_2 + z_2^2}{z_1^2 - 3z_2^2} = \frac{r^2 + 4r + 1}{r^2 - 3} \text{ where } r = \frac{z_1}{z_2}$$

Previously

Müller-Quade & Beth 99 • Case of linear group actions.

- Proof: $(Q) = (Z - z) \cap \mathbb{K}(z)^G [Z]$

Vinberg & Popov 89 • There exists a generating set Q of O^e the coefficients $\{r_1, \dots, r_\kappa\}$ of which are in $\mathbb{K}(z)^G$

- $\{r_1, \dots, r_\kappa\}$ separate orbits
- A set of rational invariant that separate orbits is a generating set for $\mathbb{K}(z)^G$

Rosenlicht 56 • The coefficients of the Chow form of O^e are rational invariants and separate orbits

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4.2 Graph-section ideal

\rightsquigarrow **Fels & Olver (1999)**

Cross-section of degree d

A variety \mathcal{P} that intersects generic orbits in d simple points.

$$O^e = (G + (Z - \lambda \star z)) \cap \mathbb{K}(z)[Z].$$

$s = \text{dimension of } O^e = \text{dimension of generic orbits}$

The ideal P defines a cross-section \mathcal{P} of degree d :

- $P \subset \mathbb{K}[Z]$ prime ideal of codimension s
- $I^e = O^e + P$ radical and zero-dimensional
- $\dim_{\mathbb{K}(z)} \mathbb{K}(z)[Z]/I^e = d$

$$P = (a_{i1}Z_1 + \dots + a_{in}Z_n - b_i, 1 \leq i \leq s)$$

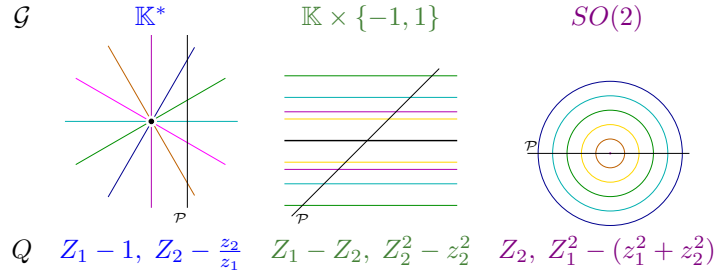
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$$I^e = P + O^e = (P + G + (Z - \lambda \star z)) \cap \mathbb{K}(z)[Z]$$

Q a reduced Gröbner basis of I^e

$\{r_1, \dots, r_\kappa\}$ its coefficients

Theorem: $\mathbb{K}(z)^G = \mathbb{K}(r_1, \dots, r_\kappa) + \text{rewriting}$



5 Algebraic Moving frame

Replacement Invariant ξ

- \mathcal{P} a cross-section of degree $d = 1$
 $I^e = (Z_1 - r_1(z), \dots, Z_n - r_n(z))$

$$r(z_1, \dots, z_n) = r(r_1, \dots, r_n) \quad \forall r \in \mathbb{K}(z)^G$$

- \mathcal{P} a cross-section of degree $d > 1$
 $I^G = I^e \cap \mathbb{K}(z)^G[Z] = (Q)$ has d distinct $\overline{\mathbb{K}(z)}^G$ -zeros

Thm: $\xi = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)$ a $\overline{\mathbb{K}(z)}^G$ -zero of I^G .

$$r(z) = r(\xi), \quad \forall r \in \mathbb{K}(z)^G$$

Replacement Invariant ξ . Examples

\mathcal{P} a cross-section of degree d

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$$r(z) = r(\xi), \quad r \in \mathbb{K}(z)^G$$

\mathcal{G}	\mathbb{K}^*	$\mathbb{K} \times \{-1, 1\}$	$SO(2)$
Q	$Z_1 - 1, Z_2 - \frac{z_2}{z_1}$	$Z_1 - Z_2, Z_2^2 - z_2^2$	$Z_2, Z_1^2 - (z_1^2 + z_2^2)$
ξ	$(1, \frac{z_2}{z_1})$	$(\pm z_2, \pm z_2)$	$(\pm \sqrt{z_1^2 + z_2^2}, 0)$

Algebraic moving frame - preview

\mathcal{P} an algebraic cross-section $\Rightarrow \mathcal{P} \cap \mathcal{U}$ a local cross-section.

Replacement invariant : $\overline{\mathbb{K}(z)}^G$ -zero of I^G

Thm: The normalized invariants $(\bar{iz}_1, \dots, \bar{iz}_n)$ form the smooth zero of I^G that agrees with the coordinate functions on $\mathcal{P} \cap \mathcal{U}$.

As a result, the components of this replacement invariant actually generates, functionally, the smooth invariants locally.

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