

Projective Toric Varieties

Take $A = [a_0, \dots, a_m]$. We say that the set

$\{a_0, \dots, a_m\}$ lies in an affine hyperplane if
 $\exists w \in \mathbb{Z}^n$

$$w \cdot a = w \cdot b \quad \forall a, b \in \{a_0, \dots, a_m\}$$

Set $C = w \cdot a_i \quad \forall i$

The affine hyperplane
 $w \cdot x = C$ in $\mathbb{Q}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$

Lemma / If $A = \{a_0, \dots, a_m\}$ lie in an affine hyperplane, then
 I_A is a homogeneous ideal and defines the projective toric
variety $X_A = V(I_A) \subseteq \mathbb{P}^m$.

Proof / Suppose $z^u - z^v \in I_A$, then $Au = Av$, it is enough
to show $\deg(z^u) = \deg(z^v)$

want to show this is homogeneous

Since $Au = Av$
 $w \in \mathbb{Z}^n$

then $w \cdot Au = w \cdot Av$

dot prod
defines affine plane

$$w \cdot Au = [w \cdot a_0, \dots, w \cdot a_m] \cdot u = [w \cdot a_0, \dots, w \cdot a_m] \cdot v$$

$$[c_0, \dots, c_m] \cdot u = [c_0, \dots, c_m] \cdot v$$

$$\cancel{c} \cdot (1, \dots, 1) \cdot u = \cancel{c} \cdot (1, \dots, 1) \cdot v \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} u \cdot (1, \dots, 1) = v \cdot (1, \dots, 1) \\ \parallel \\ |u| = |v| \end{matrix}$$

$$\deg(z^u) = \deg(z^v)$$

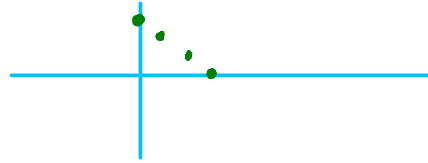
$\therefore z^u - z^v$ is homogeneous

$\therefore I_A = \langle z^u - z^v \mid Au = Av \rangle$ is a homogeneous ideal

$\therefore X_A$ is a projective variety.

Example

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = [a_0, \dots, a_3]$$



Note $a_i \cdot (1,1) = 3 \quad \forall i \quad \therefore u_i$ lie in an affine hyperplane with $w = (1,1), c = 3$

$$\mathcal{U}_A(w, z) = (w^2, w^2z, w^2z^2, z^3) \in \mathbb{C}^4$$

Via elimination

$$I_A = \langle -x_2^2 + x_1x_3, -x_1^2 + x_0x_2, -x_1x_2 + x_0x_3 \rangle$$

vectors
in $\ker(A)$

$$b_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad b_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \quad b_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \cdot b_i = 0, \quad \ker_{\mathbb{Z}}(A) = \text{span}_{\mathbb{Z}}(b_1, b_2, b_3)$$

The gcd of the 2×2 minors of $A = 3$

$$\Rightarrow \text{rank}(\mathbb{Z}A) = 2, \quad |\mathbb{Z}^2 : \mathbb{Z}A| = 3$$

If we take

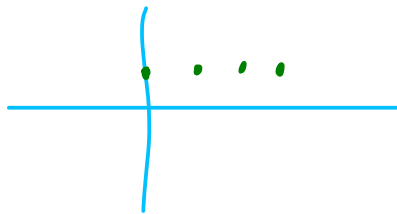
\tilde{A} = generator of \ker of B

where $B =$ integer matrix s.t. $A \cdot B = 0$

then $|\mathbb{Z}^2 : \mathbb{Z}\tilde{A}| = 1$

Doing more row op

$$A' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\mathcal{Q}_{A'}(w, z) = (w, wz, wz^2, wz^3)$$

$$\mathbb{I}_A = \mathbb{I}_{A'}$$

Given a matrix $A = [a_0, \dots, a_n]$ in $\mathbb{I}^{m \times (n+1)}$

define the lift of A as

$$A^+ = [a_0^+, \dots, a_n^+] \quad \text{in } \mathbb{I}^{(m+1) \times (n+1)} \quad a = a_i$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ a_{00} & \dots & a_{0n} \\ \vdots & & \\ a_{m0} & & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \quad a^+ = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix}$$

By construction A^+ is on an affine hyperplane

Ex] $A^+ = A' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ was the lift of $A = [0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3]$

$$w \cdot (1, 0) = w \cdot (1, 1) = w \cdot (1, 2) = w \cdot (1, 3)$$

$$w_1 = \text{free}, \quad w_2 = 0$$

$$w = (t, 0) \quad \text{for any } t$$

Note the map

$$\mathcal{Q}_{A^+} : (\mathbb{C}^*)^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{n+1}$$

has a natural structure when $A = [a_0, \dots, a_n]$

$$\mathcal{Q}_{A^+} : \mathbb{C}^+ \times (\mathbb{C}^*)^n \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^n$$

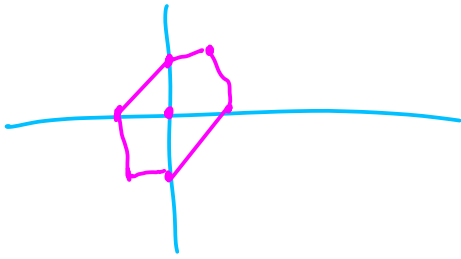
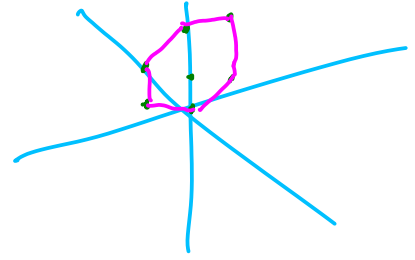
$$(t, z_1, \dots, z_n) \mapsto [t z^{a_0} : \dots : t z^{a_n}]$$

(t, z)

$$\mathcal{Q}_{A^+}(t_1, z) \sim \mathcal{Q}_{A^+}(t_2, z) \quad \forall t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{C}^*$$

Example

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$A^+ = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Polytopes

Given an $m \times (n+1)$ integer matrix $A = [a_0, \dots, a_n]$
define the convex hull of A as

$$\text{Conv}(A) = \left\{ \underbrace{\sum_{i=0}^n a_i \lambda_i}_{\text{convex combination}} \mid \sum_{i=0}^n \lambda_i = 1 \text{ and } \lambda_i \geq 0, i=0, \dots, n \right\}$$

For an int. mat A we call

$P := \text{con}(A)$ a (lattice) polytope

Ex] $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$P = \text{Conv}(A) =$ triangular pyramid



Polytopes, cones, faces, orbit cone correspondence

Def A convex polyhedral cone C in \mathbb{R}^m is defined by vectors $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$, $v_i \in \mathbb{R}^m$ is

$$C = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i v_i \mid \lambda_i \geq 0 \right\}$$

If $v_i \in \mathbb{Q}^m \forall i$ we say C is a rational convex polyhedral cone.

Def A face F of a cone $C \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ is a subset of the form

$$F = \{ c \in C \mid l(c) = 0 \}$$

where l is a linear polynomial s.t. $l(c) \geq 0 \forall c \in C$

The dimension of a face F of a cone is the dimension of the smallest linear space which contains F

If $\dim(F) = m - 1 = \dim(C) - 1$ then we call

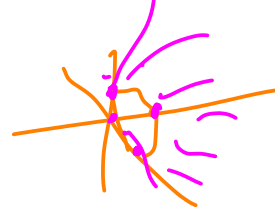
F a facet. The choice of l is unique up to constant

A facet lies in a hyperplane H_F , we call this hyperplane the supporting hyperplane.

Note face defined by $l=0$ is $F=C$. Any face F of C is also a cone.

Ex) $C = \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^m$ is a cone

↑ non-negative orthant



It has 2^m faces ranging from after $0 = (0, \dots, 0)$

to C itself. There are $\binom{m}{i}$ faces of dimension i

In particular there are $\binom{m}{m-1} = m$ Facets

The m facet of dim $m-1$

are given by the m linear polynomials $\lambda_i(x) = x_i$

$$\text{i.e. } \mathcal{F}_i = \{c \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^m \mid c_i = 0\} \cong \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^{m-1}$$

Def | If C is a convex polyhedral cone in \mathbb{R}^m then its f-vector is the vector

$$f(C) = (f_1(C), \dots, f_{m-1}(C))$$

$f_i(C) = \#$ of faces of dimension i of C .

Ex) For $C = \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^r$, $f(C) = (5, 10, 10, 5)$

Recall the (affine) toric variety $X_A = \overline{\mathcal{U}_A((\mathbb{C}^*)^m)} \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$

is the closure of the torus $T = \mathcal{U}_A((\mathbb{C}^*)^m)$ in \mathbb{C}^n

This torus T acts on itself (by coordinate wise mult.)

e.g for $t, w \in T$ $t \cdot w = (t_1 w_1, \dots, t_n w_n)$ is the

action of t on w

Similarly, this extends to an action on \mathbb{C}^n , i.e. $t \in T$
 $w \in \mathbb{C}^n$
 \downarrow acts on w
 $t \cdot w = (t_1 w_1, \dots, t_n w_n)$

\therefore The group T acts on X_A .

Recall for a group G acting on a set X
the orbit of $x \in X$ is

$$G \cdot x = \{g \cdot x \mid g \in G\}$$

For $x \in X_A$ $T = \mathbb{Q}_A((\mathbb{C}^*)^m)$

$$T \cdot x = \{ (t_1 x_1, \dots, t_n x_n) \mid t \in T \}$$

$\underbrace{\quad}_w$
 \downarrow
note $\bar{x} \in T \cdot x$ then $Tx = T\bar{x}$.

Let $A = [a_1, \dots, a_n]$ be $m \times n$ matrix

let $C =$ cone generated by columns $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$

Thm | The torus orbits in X_A are in bijection with the faces of the cone C . The orbit $\sigma(F)$ corresponding to a face F of C is

$$\sigma(F) = \{x \in X_A \mid x_i \neq 0 \text{ whenever } a_i \in F\}$$

$$\overline{\sigma(F)} = V(F)$$

$$\overline{\sigma(F)} = (x^{a_i} \mid a_i \in F, x \in \mathbb{C}^m)$$

$$= \left\{ (y^{(a_1)}, \dots, y^{(a_n)}) \mid y^{(a_i)} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } a_i \notin F \\ x^{a_i} & \text{for all } x \in \mathbb{C}^m, \text{ if } a_i \in F \end{cases} \right\} \in \mathbb{C}^n$$

we also have $\dim(\sigma(F)) = \dim(F)$ further

$$\overline{\sigma(F_1)} \subseteq \overline{\sigma(F_2)} \quad \text{if } F_1 \text{ is a face of } F_2$$

Example | Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_6 & & & & & & \\ 2 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 & \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 0 & \\ & & & & & & a_0 \end{bmatrix}$

$S(C) = (1, 6, 6, 1)$

$C = \text{Cone over } \{a_0, \dots, a_6\}$



Two dimensional faces (6 of them)

$$\text{Codim}(F) = \dim(C) - \dim(F)$$

$$\{a_0, a_1\}, \{a_0, a_2\}, \{a_3, a_5\}, \{a_2, a_4\}, \{a_1, a_3\}, \{a_4, a_5\}$$

$F = \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \{a_0, a_1\}$ correspond to

$$\overline{\sigma(F)} = \{ (t, u, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0) \in X_A \mid t, u \in \mathbb{C}^* \}$$

The 1-dim faces = all vertices of hexagon

$$\{a_0\}, \dots, \{a_5\}$$

$F = \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \{a_0\}$ correspond

$$\overline{\sigma(F)} = \{ (t, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0) \in X_A \mid t \in \mathbb{C}^* \}$$

$$F = \{0\} \iff \text{the origin in } \mathbb{C}^7$$

$$F = \mathbb{C} \iff T = \mathcal{O}_A((\mathbb{C}^*)^3) = X_A \cap (\mathbb{C}^*)^7$$

Proof | ^{Sketch} we will give a more complete proof later.

Idea

- Check that $\sigma(F)$ is actually a torus orbit (using the fact F is a face)

In particular, since \mathbb{C} is a closed set, for each point $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$ we can construct a point $t \in T = \mathcal{O}_A((\mathbb{C}^*)^m)$ s.t.

$$t \cdot x = P_F \quad \text{where } (P_F)_i = 1 \text{ if } a_i \in F \text{ and}$$

zero otherwise

(note t has no zero coordinates but P_F does, and x may or may not)

Then the orbit of x by T is some $\sigma(F)$

- Show that every point $x \in X_A$ is in some $\sigma(F)$, Here you need to look at I_F

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given by taking the columns of A which are in F