

The model space

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Inferring Boolean models from partial data

Suppose a Boolean model (f_1, f_2, f_3) has the following (partial) state space (s_i, s_i) .

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Main question

What are the possible Boolean models (f_1, f_2, f_3) , as polynomials?

This is **stronger** than what we asked last time: *which variables depend on which variables?*

x	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
y	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1
z	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
$f_1(x, y, z)$?	0	?	0	1	?	1	1
$f_2(x, y, z)$?	0	?	1	0	?	1	1
$f_3(x, y, z)$?	0	?	0	1	?	1	0

As before, we can treat each function f_1, f_2, f_3 separately.

First question

What are the possible functions $f: \mathbb{F}_2^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_2$, given partial information?

A familiar example

Recall the following unknown Boolean function:

$x_1 x_2 x_3$	111	110	101	100	011	010	001	000
$f_i(x)$	0	1	?	?	?	?	?	0

Of the 256 Boolean functions on 3 variables, $2^{8-3} = 32$ fit this data, and only 4 are unate:

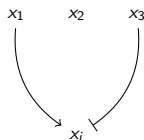
$$x_1 \wedge \overline{x_3},$$

$$x_2 \wedge \overline{x_3},$$

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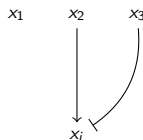
$$(x_1 \vee x_2) \wedge \overline{x_3}.$$

The wiring diagrams of these functions are shown below, expressed several different ways.



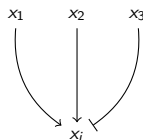
$$(1, 0, -1)$$

$$\{x_1, \overline{x_3}\}$$



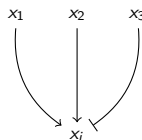
$$(0, 1, -1)$$

$$\{x_2, \overline{x_3}\}$$



$$(1, 1, -1)$$

$$\{x_1, x_2, \overline{x_3}\}$$



$$(1, 1, -1)$$

$$\{x_1, x_2, \overline{x_3}\}$$

This time, we'll find the actual functions, in polynomial form.

A familiar example

Input vectors:	s_1	s_2						s_3
$x_1 x_2 x_3$	111	110	101	100	011	010	001	000
$f(x)$	0	1	?	?	?	?	?	0
Output values	t_1	t_2						t_3

First step: interpolation

Find a single function $f: \mathbb{F}_2^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_2$ that fits the data.

For each data point s_j , we'll construct an **r -polynomial** that has the following property:

$$r_i(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x = s_j, j \neq i \\ 0 & x = s_j, j = i \end{cases}$$

Once we have these, one such polynomial $f(x)$ we seek will be

$$f(x) = t_1 r_1(x) + t_2 r_2(x) + t_3 r_3(x).$$

Note *why* this works:

$$f(s_1) = t_1 r_1(s_1) + t_2 r_2(s_1) + t_3 r_3(s_1) = t_1 \cdot 1 + t_2 \cdot 0 + t_3 \cdot 0 = t_1$$

$$f(s_2) = t_1 r_1(s_2) + t_2 r_2(s_2) + t_3 r_3(s_2) = t_1 \cdot 0 + t_2 \cdot 1 + t_3 \cdot 0 = t_2$$

$$f(s_3) = t_1 r_1(s_3) + t_2 r_2(s_3) + t_3 r_3(s_3) = t_1 \cdot 0 + t_2 \cdot 0 + t_3 \cdot 1 = t_3$$

A familiar example: $k = 1$

Input vectors:	s_1	s_2						s_3
$x_1 x_2 x_3$	111	110	101	100	011	010	001	000
$f(x)$	0	1	?	?	?	?	?	0
Output values	t_1	t_2						t_3

For each data point s_i , we'll construct an r -**polynomial**, satisfying

$$r_i(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x = s_i \\ 0 & x = s_j, j \neq i \end{cases}$$

One function that works is

$$r_i(x) = \prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq i}}^m (x_{\ell_k} - s_{k\ell_k})$$

where ℓ_k is any coordinate in which s_i and s_k differ. To construct $r_1(x)$ from this example:

- $k = 2$: use $x_3 - 0$
- $k = 3$: use $x_1 - 0$, $x_2 - 0$, or $x_3 - 0$.

Thus, we can use any of the following for $r_1(x)$:

$$r_1(x) = x_1 x_3, \quad r_1(x) = x_2 x_3, \quad \text{or} \quad r_1(x) = x_3^2 = x_3,$$

(Since we only care about functions, we may reduce $x_i^2 = x_i$.)

A familiar example $k = 2$

Input vectors:	s_1	s_2						s_3
$x_1 x_2 x_3$	111	110	101	100	011	010	001	000
$f(x)$	0	1	?	?	?	?	?	0
Output values	t_1	t_2						t_3

For each data point s_i , we'll construct an r -**polynomial** that satisfies

$$r_i(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x = s_i \\ 0 & x = s_j, j \neq i \end{cases}$$

One function that works is

$$r_i(x) = \prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq i}}^m (x_{\ell_k} - s_{k\ell_k})$$

where ℓ_k is *any* coordinate in which s_i and s_k differ. To construct $r_2(x)$ from this example,

- $k = 1$: use $x_3 - 1$
- $k = 3$: use $x_1 - 0$ or $x_2 - 0$.

Thus, we can use any of the following for $r_2(x)$:

$$r_2(x) = x_1(x_3 + 1), \quad \text{or} \quad r_2(x) = x_2(x_3 + 1).$$

A familiar example $k = 3$

Input vectors:	s_1	s_2						s_3
$x_1 x_2 x_3$	111	110	101	100	011	010	001	000
$f(x)$	0	1	?	?	?	?	?	0
Output values	t_1	t_2						t_3

For each data point s_i , we'll construct an r -**polynomial** that satisfies

$$r_i(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x = s_i \\ 0 & x = s_j, j \neq i \end{cases}$$

One function that works is

$$r_i(x) = \prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq i}}^m (x_{\ell_k} - s_{k\ell_k})$$

where ℓ_k is *any* coordinate in which s_i and s_k differ. To construct $r_3(x)$ from this example,

- $k = 1$: use $x_1 - 1$, $x_2 - 1$, or $x_3 - 0$.
- $k = 2$: use $x_1 - 1$ or $x_2 - 1$.

Thus, we can use any of the following for $r_3(x)$:

$$r_3(x) = (x_1 + 1), \quad r_3(x) = (x_2 + 1), \quad r_3(x) = (x_1 + 1)(x_2 + 1),$$

$$r_3(x) = (x_1 + 1)x_3 \quad \text{or} \quad r_3(x) = (x_2 + 1)x_3.$$

The vanishing ideal

Input vectors:	s_1	s_2						s_3
$x_1 x_2 x_3$	111	110	101	100	011	010	001	000
$f(x)$	0	1	?	?	?	?	?	0
Output values	t_1	t_2						t_3

One such choice for r_1 , r_2 , and r_3 yields

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= t_1 r_1(x) + t_2 r_2(x) + t_3 r_3(x) \\&= 0 \cdot x_3 + 1 \cdot x_1(x_3 + 1) + 0 \cdot (x_2 + 1) \\&= x_1(x_3 + 1).\end{aligned}$$

We just found a single function that fits the data. Now, let's find every such function.

Proposition

Let $f(x) \in \mathbb{F}[x_1, \dots, x_n] / \langle x_1^2 - x_1, \dots, x_n^2 - x_n \rangle$ fit a set $\mathcal{D} = \{(s_1, t_1), \dots, (s_k, t_k)\}$ of **data**.

- (i) If $h(x)$ **vanishes** on all s_i , then $f(x) + h(x)$ fits the data.
- (ii) The polynomials that vanish on the data form an ideal $I(\mathcal{D})$.
- (iii) Every polynomial $g(x)$ that fits the data can be written as $g(x) = f(x) + h(x)$ for some $h(x) \in I(\mathcal{D})$.

The structure of the model space

Theorem / Definition

Consider a set $\mathcal{D} = \{(s_1, t_1), \dots, (s_k, t_k)\}$ of **data**, where $s_i \in \mathbb{F}^n$, $t_i \in \mathbb{F}$, and $|\mathbb{F}| = q$.

The set of functions that fit the data is the **model space**

$$\text{Mod}(\mathcal{D}) := f + I(\mathcal{D}) = \{f + h \mid h \in I(\mathcal{D})\},$$

where f is *any* function that fits the data, and $I(\mathcal{D})$ is the vanishing ideal in

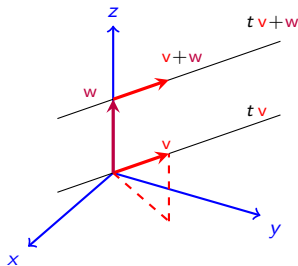
$$\mathbb{F}[x_1, \dots, x_n] / \langle x_1^q - x_1, \dots, x_n^q - x_n \rangle,$$

Here are some other mathematical problems whose solutions have a similar structure.

1. Parametrize a line in \mathbb{R}^n .
2. Parametrize a plane in \mathbb{R}^n .
3. Solve the underdetermined system $Ax = b$.
4. Solve the differential equation $x'' + x = 2$.

Parametrize a line in \mathbb{R}^n

Suppose we want to write the equation for a line that contains a vector $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$:



This line, which *contains the zero vector*, is $tv = \{tv : t \in \mathbb{R}\}$.

Now, what if we want to write the equation for a line parallel to v ?

This line, which *does not contain the zero vector*, is

$$tv + w = \{tv + w : t \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

Note that **ANY** particular w on the line will work!!!

Solve an underdetermined system $Ax = b$

Suppose we have a system of equations that has “too many variables,” so there are infinitely many solutions.

For example:

$$\begin{array}{l} 2x + y + 3z = 4 \\ 3x - 5y - 2z = 6 \end{array} \quad \text{“}Ax = b \text{ form”}: \quad \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & -5 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

How to solve:

1. Solve the related **homogeneous equation** $Ax = 0$ (this is **null space**, $NS(A)$);
2. Find **any particular solution** x_p to $Ax = b$;
3. Add these together to get the **general solution**: $x = NS(A) + x_p$.

This works because geometrically, the solution space is just a line, plane, etc.

Here are two possible ways to write the solution:

$$c \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad c \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 8 \\ -8 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Linear differential equations

Solve the differential equation $x'' + x = 2$.

How to solve:

1. Solve the related **homogeneous equation** $x'' + x = 0$. The solutions are $x_h(t) = a \cos t + b \sin t$.
2. Find **any particular solution** $x_p(t)$ to $x'' + x = 2$. By inspection, we see that $x_p(t) = 2$ works.
3. Add these together to get the **general solution**:

$$x(t) = x_h(t) + x_p(t) = a \cos t + b \sin t + 2.$$

Note that while the general solution above is unique, its presentation need not be.

For example, we could write it this way:

$$x(t) = x_h(t) + x_p(t) = a(2 \cos t - 3 \sin t) + b \sin t + (2 - \cos t + 8 \sin t).$$

Here, the **particular solution** has (unnecessary) “extra terms” that vanish on the homogeneous part, $x'' + x = 0$.

The vanishing ideal and the model space

The function $f(x) = x_1(x_3 + 1)$ fits the following data:

Input vectors:	s_1	s_2						s_3
$x_1 x_2 x_3$	111	110	101	100	011	010	001	000
$f(x)$	0	1	?	?	?	?	?	0
Output values	t_1	t_2						t_3

To find the model space $\text{Mod}(\mathcal{D}) = f + I(\mathcal{D})$, we need to find the vanishing ideal

$$I(\mathcal{D}) \subseteq R/I := \mathbb{F}[x_1, \dots, x_n] / \langle x_1^2 - 1, \dots, x_n^2 - 1 \rangle.$$

The polynomials that vanish on $s_i = (s_{i1}, s_{i2}, s_{i3})$ is the ideal

$$\begin{aligned} I(s_i) &= \{ (x_1 - s_{i1})g_1(x) + (x_2 - s_{i2})g_2(x) + (x_3 - s_{i3})g_3(x) \mid g_i(x) \in R/I \} \\ &= \langle x_1 - s_{i1}, x_2 - s_{i2}, x_3 - s_{i3} \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

The vanishing ideal is thus

$$\begin{aligned} I(\mathcal{D}) &= I(s_1) \cap I(s_2) \cap I(s_3) \\ &= \langle x_1 - 1, x_2 - 1, x_3 - 1 \rangle \cap \langle x_1 - 1, x_2 - 1, x_3 \rangle \cap \langle x_1, x_2, x_3 \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Note that this ideal has size $|I(\mathcal{D})| = |\text{Mod}(\mathcal{D})| = 2^{8-3} = 32$. (Why?)

The vanishing ideal and the model space

The function $f(x) = x_1(x_3 + 1)$ fits the following data:

Input vectors:	s_1	s_2						s_3
$x_1x_2x_3$	111	110	101	100	011	010	001	000
$f(x)$	0	1	?	?	?	?	?	0
Output values	t_1	t_2						t_3

We can compute the vanishing ideal in Macaulay2:

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Q = ZZ/2[x1,x2,x3] / ideal(x1^2-x1, x2^2-x2, x3^2-x3);  
I1 = ideal(x1-1, x2-1, x3-1);  
I2 = ideal(x1-1, x2-1, x3);  
I3 = ideal(x1, x2, x3-1);  
I_D = intersect{I1,I2,I3};
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The output is:

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ideal(x1-x2, x2x3-x2-x3+1)
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Thus, the model space consists of the 32 functions

$$\text{Mod}(\mathcal{D}) = f + I(\mathcal{D}) = \{x_1(x_3 + 1) + (x_1 + x_2)g_1 + (x_2x_3 + x_2 + x_3 + 1)g_2 \mid g_i \in R/I\}.$$

Inferring Boolean models

We just saw how to find the model space of a Boolean function $f: \mathbb{F}_2^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_n$.

To find the model space of a Boolean model (f_1, \dots, f_n) , we just do this for each coordinate.

Consider a set of **data** $\mathcal{D} = \{(s_1, t_1), \dots, (s_k, t_k)\}$, with

Input vectors: $s_1, \dots, s_m \in \mathbb{F}^n$

Output vectors: $t_1, \dots, t_m \in \mathbb{F}^n$

That is, $f(s_i) = (f_1(s_i), f_2(s_i), \dots, f_n(s_i)) = (t_{i1}, t_{i2}, \dots, t_{in}) = t_i$.

We can encode this with n data sets of **input vectors** and **output values**:

$$\mathcal{D}_i = \{(s_1, t_{1i}), (s_2, t_{2i}), \dots, (s_k, t_{ki})\}.$$

The **model space** of \mathcal{D} is the direct product

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mod}(\mathcal{D}) &= \left\{ (f_1, \dots, f_n) \mid f_j(s_i) = t_{ij} \text{ for all } i \text{ and } j \right\} \\ &= [f_1 + I(\mathcal{D})] \times \dots \times [f_n + I(\mathcal{D})] \\ &= \text{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_1) \times \dots \times \text{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_n). \end{aligned}$$

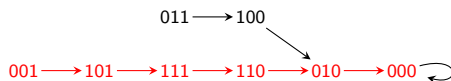
An example

Consider the following model of the *lac* operon, which implicitly assumes that A degrades slower than M or B .

$$\begin{cases} f_M = x_A \\ f_B = x_M \\ f_A = L \vee (B \wedge L_m) \vee (A \wedge \bar{B}). \end{cases}$$

If lactose levels are low, then $L = L_m = 0$, and this model reduces to the following:

$$\begin{cases} f_1 = x_3 \\ f_2 = x_1 \\ f_3 = (x_2 + 1)x_3. \end{cases}$$



Let's find the model space of just the data given by the red nodes and edges.

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R = ZZ/2[x1,x2,x3] / ideal(x1^2-x1, x2^2-x2, x3^2-x3)
I1 = ideal(x1, x2, x3-1);      I2 = ideal(x1-1, x2, x3-1);
I3 = ideal(x1-1, x2-1, x3-1);  I4 = ideal(x1-1, x2-1, x3);
I5 = ideal(x1, x2-1, x3);      I_D = intersect{I1,I2,I3,I4,I5};
  
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The vanishing ideal consists of the 8 functions

$$I(\mathcal{D}) = \langle x_2x_3 + x_2 + x_3 + 1, x_1x_2 + x_1x_3 + x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + 1 \rangle,$$

and so the full model space is

$$\text{Mod}(\mathcal{D}) = (f_1 + I(\mathcal{D}), f_2 + I(\mathcal{D}), f_3 + I(\mathcal{D})) = (x_3 + I(\mathcal{D}), x_1 + I(\mathcal{D}), (x_2 + 1)x_3 + I(\mathcal{D})).$$

An example (cont.)

Let's now suppose that we didn't *a priori* know a particular solution.

We'll use interpolation to find $f = (f_1, f_2, f_3)$ that fits the data. For example:

$$\begin{aligned}f_1(x) &= t_{11}r_1(x) + t_{21}r_2(x) + t_{31}r_3(x) + t_{41}r_4(x) + t_{51}r_5(x) \\&= 1r_1(x) + 1r_2(x) + 1r_3(x) + 0r_4(x) + 0r_5(x) = r_1(x) + r_2(x) + r_3(x),\end{aligned}$$

where

$$r_1(x) = \prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq 1}}^5 (x_{\ell_k} - s_{k\ell_k}) = (x_{\ell_2} - s_{2\ell_2})(x_{\ell_3} - s_{3\ell_3})(x_{\ell_4} - s_{4\ell_4})(x_{\ell_5} - s_{5\ell_5}).$$

$$s_1 = (0, 0, 1)$$



$$s_2 = (\underline{1}, 0, 1) = t_1$$



$$s_3 = (\underline{1}, \underline{1}, 1) = t_2$$



$$s_4 = (\underline{1}, \underline{1}, \underline{0}) = t_3$$



$$s_5 = (0, \underline{1}, \underline{0}) = t_4$$



$$(0, 0, \underline{0}) = t_5$$

Recall that ℓ_k is *any* coordinate in which s_1 differs from s_k .

skip $k = 1$

$$b_{12}(x) = (x_1 - s_{21}) = x_1 + 1$$

$$b_{13}(x) = (x_1 - s_{31}) = x_1 + 1$$

$$b_{14}(x) = (x_1 - s_{41}) = x_1 + 1$$

$$b_{15}(x) = (x_2 - s_{52}) = x_2 + 1$$

Let's take $r_1(x) = (x_1 + 1)^3(x_2 + 1) = (x_1 + 1)(x_2 + 1)$.

An example (cont.)

Recall that $b_{ik}(x) = x_{\ell_k} - s_{k\ell_k}$, where ℓ_k is any coordinate that s_i differs from s_k .

$$s_1 = (0, 0, 1)$$



$$s_2 = (1, 0, 1) = t_1$$



$$s_3 = (1, 1, 1) = t_2$$



$$s_4 = (1, 1, 0) = t_3$$



$$s_5 = (0, 1, 0) = t_4$$



$$(0, 0, 0) = t_5$$

$$b_{21}(x) = (x_1 - s_{11}) = x_1$$

skip $k = 2$

$$b_{23}(x) = (x_2 - s_{32}) = x_2 + 1$$

$$b_{24}(x) = (x_2 - s_{42}) = x_2 + 1$$

$$b_{25}(x) = (x_1 - s_{51}) = x_1$$

$$b_{31}(x) = (x_1 - s_{11}) = x_1$$

$$b_{32}(x) = (x_2 - s_{22}) = x_2$$

skip $k = 3$

$$b_{34}(x) = (x_3 - s_{43}) = x_3$$

$$b_{35}(x) = (x_1 - s_{51}) = x_1$$

$$b_{41}(x) = (x_1 - s_{11}) = x_1$$

$$b_{42}(x) = (x_2 - s_{22}) = x_2$$

$$b_{43}(x) = (x_3 - s_{33}) = x_3 + 1$$

skip $k = 4$

$$b_{45}(x) = (x_1 - s_{51}) = x_1$$

$$b_{51}(x) = (x_2 - s_{12}) = x_2$$

$$b_{52}(x) = (x_1 - s_{21}) = x_1 + 1$$

$$b_{53}(x) = (x_1 - s_{31}) = x_1 + 1$$

$$b_{54}(x) = (x_1 - s_{42}) = x_1 + 1$$

skip $k = 5$

Recall that $x_i^k = x_i$, and $(x_j + 1)^k = x_j + 1$, so the “ r -polynomials” are

$$r_1(x) = (x_1 + 1)(x_2 + 1)$$

$$r_2(x) = x_1(x_2 + 1)$$

$$r_3(x) = x_1x_2x_3$$

$$r_4(x) = x_1x_2(x_3 + 1)$$

$$r_5(x) = (x_1 + 1)x_2$$

An example (cont.)

We can now compute our particular solution (f_1, f_2, f_3) that fits the data, using:

$$f_j(x) = t_{1j}r_1(x) + t_{2j}r_2(x) + \cdots + t_{mj}r_m(x).$$

$$s_1 = (0, 0, 1)$$



$$s_2 = (1, 0, 1) = t_1$$



$$s_3 = (1, 1, 1) = t_2$$



$$s_4 = (1, 1, 0) = t_3$$



$$s_5 = (0, 1, 0) = t_4$$



$$(0, 0, 0) = t_5$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_1(x) &= t_{11}r_1(x) + t_{21}r_2(x) + t_{31}r_3(x) + t_{41}r_4(x) + t_{51}r_5(x) \\ &= r_1(x) + r_2(x) + r_3(x) \\ &= 1 + x_2 + x_1x_2x_3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_2(x) &= t_{12}r_1(x) + t_{22}r_2(x) + t_{32}r_3(x) + t_{42}r_4(x) + t_{52}r_5(x) \\ &= r_2(x) + r_3(x) + r_4(x) \\ &= x_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_3(x) &= t_{13}r_1(x) + t_{23}r_2(x) + t_{33}r_3(x) + t_{43}r_4(x) + t_{53}r_5(x) \\ &= r_1(x) + r_2(x) \\ &= 1 + x_2. \end{aligned}$$

Our original model was $(f_1, f_2, f_3) = (x_3, x_1, x_3 + x_2x_3)$, but our algorithm yielded

$$\begin{aligned} (f_1, f_2, f_3) &= (1 + x_2 + x_1x_2x_3, x_1, 1 + x_2) \\ &= (x_3, x_1, x_3 + x_2x_3) + (1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_1x_2x_3, 0, 1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_2x_3) \end{aligned}$$

Remark

Each polynomial in the 2nd term above is in the *vanishing ideal* I . (Why?)

An example (cont.)

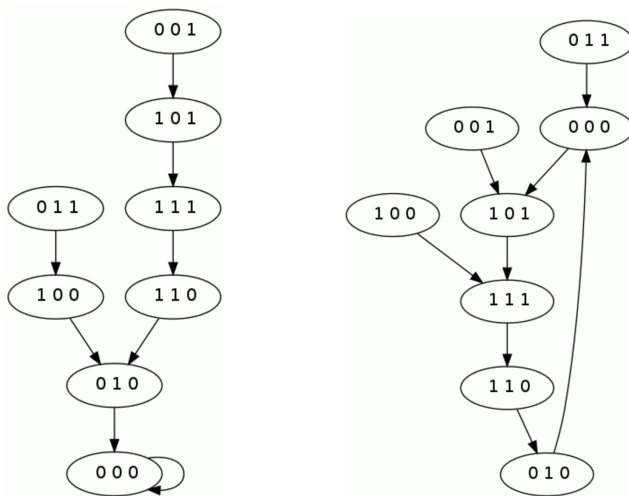


Figure: The original phase space (left), and the reverse-engineered phase space (right).

An example (cont.)

Now that we found a particular solution $f = (f_1, f_2, f_3)$ that fits the data, we need to (re)compute the **ideal I of polynomials that vanish on the data**.

```
R=ZZ/2[x1,x2,x3] / ideal(x1^2-x1, x2^2-x2, x3^2-x3);
```

$$s_1 = (0, 0, 1)$$



$$s_2 = (1, 0, 1) = t_1$$



$$s_3 = (1, 1, 1) = t_2$$



$$s_4 = (1, 1, 0) = t_3$$



$$s_5 = (0, 1, 0) = t_4$$



$$(0, 0, 0) = t_5$$

The ideal of polynomials that vanish on each s_k is:

```
I1 = ideal(x1, x2, x3-1);
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I2 = ideal(x1-1, x2, x3-1);
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I3 = ideal(x1-1, x2-1, x3-1);
```

```
I4 = ideal(x1-1, x2-1, x3);
```

```
I5 = ideal(x1, x2-1, x3);
```

The ideal of polynomials that vanish on *every* s_k is:

```
I = intersect{I1,I2,I3,I4,I5}
```

To compute a Gröbner basis:

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G = gens gb I
```

The output is: | $x_2x_3+x_2+x_3+1$ $x_1x_2+x_1x_3+x_1+x_2+x_3+1$ |

An example (cont.)

In conclusion, the set of all Boolean models that fit the data \mathcal{D}

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i.e., the **model space**, is the set

$$F_1 \times F_2 \times F_3, \quad F_j = f_j + I(\mathcal{D})$$

where $I(\mathcal{D})$ is the **vanishing ideal**

$$I(\mathcal{D}) = \langle g_1, g_2 \rangle = \langle 1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_2x_3, 1 + x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_1x_2 + x_1x_3 \rangle.$$

Our reverse-engineered BN is slightly different than the “true model”:

$$\begin{aligned} (f_1, f_2, f_3) &= (1 + x_2 + x_1x_2x_3, x_1, 1 + x_2) \\ &= (x_3 + x_1g_1 + g_2, x_1, (x_2 + 1)x_3 + g_1) \end{aligned}$$

Note that $x_1g_1 + g_2$, 0, and g_1 *must* be in the vanishing ideal I .

An example (cont.)

Goal (“model selection”)

We would like to recover functions in $F_j = f_j + I$ that have no “extra terms” in I .

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For example, the following particular solution has “extra terms”:

$$x'' + x = 2, \quad x(t) = x_h(t) + x_p(t) = a \cos t + b \sin t + \underbrace{(2 + 5 \cos t - 4 \sin t)}_{\text{unnecessary; in } x_h(t)}.$$

One approach: the **Gröbner normal form**, which is the “remainder of f_j modulo I .”

This depends on the Gröbner basis, which depends on a choice of **monomial ordering**.

We can do this with Macaulay2, using the % symbol.

```
f1 = 1+x2+x1*x2*x3;  
f2 = x1;  
f3 = 1+x2;  
f1%I; f2%I; f3%I;  
(f1, f2, f3)
```

The output is: (x_3, x_1, x_2+1) . Almost the original Boolean model!

Non-Boolean models

Just like the Boolean case, over a general finite field \mathbb{F}_p , it suffices to construct

$$r_i(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x = s_i \\ 0 & x = s_j, j \neq i \end{cases}$$

because then the following is a solution:

$$f(x) = t_1 r_1(x) + t_2 r_2(x) + t_3 r_3(x).$$

Over \mathbb{F}_2 , our construction guaranteed $r_i(s_i) \neq 0$, which is equivalent to $r_i(s_i) = 1$.

Over \mathbb{F}_p , we have to be a little more careful. The following corrects for this:

$$r_i(x) = \prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq i}}^m b_{ik}(x), \quad b_{ik}(x) = \underbrace{(s_{i\ell_k} - s_{k\ell_k})^{p-2}}_{\text{ensures that } r_i(s_i) = 1} (x_{\ell_k} - s_{k\ell_k})$$

An example over \mathbb{F}_5

Consider the following time series in a 3-node algebraic model over \mathbb{F}_5 :

$$s_1 = (2, 0, 0)$$



$$s_2 = (4, 3, 1) = t_1$$



$$s_3 = (3, 1, 4) = t_2$$



$$(0, 4, 3) = t_3$$

$$r_i(x) = \prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq i}}^m b_{ik}(x)$$

$$b_{ik}(x) = (s_{i\ell_k} - s_{k\ell_k})^{p-2}(x_{\ell_k} - s_{k\ell_k})$$

Note that s_1 differs from s_2 and s_3 in the $\ell_k = 1$ coordinate, so this will work for each r_i .

Particularly useful identities are: $0 = 5$, $-1 = 4$, $-2 = 3$, $-3 = 2$, and $-4 = 1$.

Using our formulas for $b_{ij}(x)$, we compute:

$$b_{12}(x) = (s_{11} - s_{21})^3(x_1 - s_{21}) = (2 - 4)^3(x_1 - 4) = -8(x_1 + 1) = 2x_1 + 2$$

$$b_{13}(x) = (s_{11} - s_{31})^3(x_1 - s_{31}) = (2 - 3)^3(x_1 - 3) = -x_1 + 3 = 4x_1 + 3.$$

Therefore, the first r -polynomial is

$$r_1(x) = b_{12}(x)b_{13}(x) = (2x_1 + 2)(4x_1 + 3) = 8x_1^2 + 14x_1 + 6 = 3x_1^2 + 4x_1 + 1.$$

An example over \mathbb{F}_5 (cont.)

Similarly, we can compute the other r -polynomials, and they are

$$r_1(x) = b_{12}(x)b_{13}(x) = (2x_1 + 2)(4x_1 + 3) = 8x_1^2 + 14x_1 + 6 = 3x_1^2 + 4x_1 + 1$$

$$r_2(x) = b_{21}(x)b_{23}(x) = (3x_1 + 4)(x_1 + 2) = 3x_1^2 + 10x_1 + 8 = 3x_1^2 + 3$$

$$r_3(x) = b_{31}(x)b_{32}(x) = (x_1 + 3)(4x_1 + 4) = 4x_1^2 + 16x_1 + 12 = 4x_1^2 + x_1 + 2$$

Thus, the following functions fit the data:

$$\begin{aligned}f_1(x) &= t_{11}r_1(x) + t_{21}r_2(x) + t_{31}r_3(x) \\&= 4(3x_1^2 + 4x_1 + 1) + 3(3x_1^2 + 3) + 0(4x_1^2 + x_1 + 2) \\&= x_1^2 + x_1 + 3\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}f_2(x) &= t_{12}r_1(x) + t_{22}r_2(x) + t_{32}r_3(x) \\&= 3(3x_1^2 + 4x_1 + 1) + 1(3x_1^2 + 3) + 4(4x_1^2 + x_1 + 2) \\&= 3x_1^2 + x_1 + 4\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}f_3(x) &= t_{13}r_1(x) + t_{23}r_2(x) + t_{33}r_3(x) \\&= 1(3x_1^2 + 4x_1 + 1) + 4(3x_1^2 + 3) + 3(4x_1^2 + x_1 + 2) \\&= 2x_1^2 + 2x_1 + 4\end{aligned}$$

We have just found a single particular solution (f_1, f_2, f_3) that fits the data.

An example over \mathbb{F}_5 (cont.)

If $I(s_i)$ is the ideal that vanishes on s_i , then the vanishing ideal $I(\mathcal{D})$ is

$$I(\mathcal{D}) = I(s_1) \cap I(s_2) \cap I(s_3) \quad s_1 = (2, 0, 0), \quad s_2 = (4, 3, 1), \quad s_3 = (3, 1, 4).$$

These are precisely the sets

$$I(s_1) = \langle x_1 - 2, x_2, x_3 \rangle = \{(x_1 - 2)g_1(x) + x_2g_2(x) + x_3g_3(x)\}$$

$$I(s_2) = \langle x_1 - 4, x_2 - 3, x_3 - 1 \rangle = \{(x_1 - 4)g_1(x) + (x_2 - 3)g_2(x) + (x_3 - 1)g_3(x)\}$$

$$I(s_3) = \langle x_1 - 3, x_2 - 1, x_3 - 4 \rangle = \{(x_1 - 3)g_1(x) + (x_2 - 1)g_2(x) + (x_3 - 4)g_3(x)\}.$$

As before, we can compute this in Macaulay2:

```
R=ZZ/5[x1,x2,x3] / ideal(x1^5-x1, x2^5-x2, x3^5-x3);  
I1 = ideal(x1-2, x2, x3);  
I2 = ideal(x1-4, x2-3, x3-1);  
I3 = ideal(x1-3, x2-1, x3-4);  
I_D = intersect{I1,I2,I3};  
gens gb I_D
```

A Gröbner basis for $I(\mathcal{D})$ is thus

$$\mathcal{G} = \{x_1 - 2x_2 - x_3 - 2, x_3^2 + 2x_2 - 2x_3, x_2x_3 + 2x_2 + x_3, x_2^2 + x_3\}.$$

An example over \mathbb{F}_5 (cont.)

We constructed three functions that fit the following data \mathcal{D} :

$$s_1 = (2, 0, 0), \quad s_2 = (4, 3, 1) = t_1, \quad s_3 = (3, 1, 4) = t_2, \quad t_3 = (0, 4, 3).$$

Notice that the functions we found depend only on x_1 . (*Why?*)

```
f1=x1*x1+x1+3;  
f2=3x1^2+x1+4;  
f3=2x1^2+2x1+4;
```

We can compute the Gröbner normal form in Macaulay2:

```
p1 = f1 % I_D;  p2 = f2 % I_D;  p3 = f3 % I_D;
```

The output is

$$(p_1, p_2, p_3) = (-x_3 - 1, x_2 - 2, -2x_3 + 1) = (4x_3 + 4, x_2 + 3, 3x_3 + 1).$$

The model space is thus

$$(4x_3 + 4, x_2 + 3, 3x_3 + 1) + I(\mathcal{D}) \times I(\mathcal{D}) \times I(\mathcal{D}),$$

where

$$I(\mathcal{D}) = \{(x_1 - 2x_2 - x_3 - 2)g_1 + (x_3^2 + 2x_2 - 2x_3)g_2 + (x_2x_3 + 2x_2 + x_3)g_3 + (x_2^2 + x_3)g_4 \mid g_i \in R/I\}.$$