

*Read:* Chapter 3.1–3.4 of Robeva/Hodge: *Inferring the topology of gene regulatory networks: an algebraic approach to reverse engineering*. By B. Stigler and E. Dimitrova, pages 75–90.

*Do:*

1. How many Boolean networks  $f = (f_1, f_2, f_3)$  fit the following data?

$$(1, 1, 1) \xrightarrow{f} (1, 1, 0) \xrightarrow{f} (0, 0, 1) \xrightarrow{f} (0, 0, 1).$$

By inspection, find two of them. Express your answer using Boolean logic and as polynomials in  $\mathbb{F}_2[x_1, x_2, x_3]$ . Bonus points if one or both of your solutions were found by no one else in the class.

2. Consider the following *time series* in a 3-node polynomial dynamical system over  $\mathbb{F}_3$ :

$$(1, 1, 1) \xrightarrow{f} (2, 0, 1) \xrightarrow{f} (2, 0, 0) \xrightarrow{f} (0, 2, 2) \xrightarrow{f} (0, 2, 2).$$

For reference, here are the input vectors  $\mathbf{s}_i$  and output vectors  $\mathbf{t}_i$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{s}_1 &= (s_{11}, s_{12}, s_{13}) = (1, 1, 1), & \mathbf{t}_1 &= (t_{11}, t_{12}, t_{13}) = (2, 0, 1), \\ \mathbf{s}_2 &= (s_{21}, s_{22}, s_{23}) = (2, 0, 1), & \mathbf{t}_2 &= (t_{21}, t_{22}, t_{23}) = (2, 0, 0), \\ \mathbf{s}_3 &= (s_{31}, s_{32}, s_{33}) = (2, 0, 0), & \mathbf{t}_3 &= (t_{31}, t_{32}, t_{33}) = (0, 2, 2), \\ \mathbf{s}_4 &= (s_{41}, s_{42}, s_{43}) = (0, 2, 2), & \mathbf{t}_4 &= (t_{41}, t_{42}, t_{43}) = (0, 2, 2). \end{aligned}$$

- (a) Find polynomials  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  in  $\mathbb{F}_3[x_1, x_2, x_3]$  that fit the data. That is,  $f_j(\mathbf{s}_i) = \mathbf{t}_i$  for all  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ .
- (b) For each  $j = 1, 2, 3, 4$ , write down the ideal  $I_j = I(\mathbf{s}_j)$  of polynomials that vanish on the data point  $\mathbf{s}_j$ .
- (c) Use the following commands in Macaulay2 to compute the ideal  $I$  of polynomials that vanish on *all* of the input data points.

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R = ZZ/3[x1,x2,x3,MonomialOrder=>Lex];
I = intersect{I1, I2, I3, I4};
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Compute a Gröbner basis  $\mathcal{G}$  of  $I$ .

- (d) Write the *model space* of the time series using your answer to Part (a) as the particular solution.
- (e) Compute the normal form of  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  with respect to  $\mathcal{G}$  by reducing them modulo the ideal  $I$ . Write the model space using this particular solution.
- (f) Repeat Parts (c)–(e) using `MonomialOrder=>GRevLex`.

Turn in a print-out of your Macaulay2 worksheet.