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 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 $f : \mathbb{F}_2^n \to \mathbb{F}_2$, given partial information?

A familiar example

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

Recall the following unknown Boolean function:

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

 $x_1 \wedge \overline{x_3}, \qquad x_2 \wedge \overline{x_3}, \qquad x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge \overline{x_3}, \qquad (x_1 \lor x_2) \wedge \overline{x_3}.$

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



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 $f : \mathbb{F}_2^3 \to \mathbb{F}_2$ that fits the data.

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

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

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:

$$\begin{aligned} f(\mathbf{s}_1) &= t_1 r_1(\mathbf{s}_1) + t_2 r_2(\mathbf{s}_1) + t_3 r_3(\mathbf{s}_1) = t_1 \cdot 1 + t_2 \cdot 0 + t_3 \cdot 0 = t_1 \\ f(\mathbf{s}_2) &= t_1 r_1(\mathbf{s}_2) + t_2 r_2(\mathbf{s}_2) + t_3 r_3(\mathbf{s}_2) = t_1 \cdot 0 + t_2 \cdot 1 + t_3 \cdot 0 = t_2 \\ f(\mathbf{s}_3) &= t_1 r_1(\mathbf{s}_3) + t_2 r_2(\mathbf{s}_3) + t_3 r_3(\mathbf{s}_3) = t_1 \cdot 0 + t_2 \cdot 0 + t_3 \cdot 1 = t_3 \end{aligned}$$

A familiar example: k = 1

Input vectors:	s ₁	s ₂						s 3
$x_1 x_2 x_3$	111	11 <mark>0</mark>	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

$$r_i(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{s}_i \\ 0 & \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{s}_j, \, j \neq i \end{cases}$$

One function that works is

$$r_i(\mathsf{x}) = \prod_{\substack{k=1\\k\neq i}}^{m} (\mathsf{x}_{\ell_k} - \mathsf{s}_{k\ell_k})$$

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 $r_1(x)$:

$$r_1(x) = x_1x_3,$$
 $r_1(x) = x_2x_3,$ or $r_1(x) = x_3^2 = x_3,$

(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

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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 $r_2(x)$:

$$r_2(x) = x_1(x_3 + 1),$$
 or $r_2(x) = x_2(x_3 + 1).$

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

$$r_i(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{s}_i \\ 0 & \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{s}_j, \, j \neq i \end{cases}$$

One function that works is

$$r_i(\mathsf{x}) = \prod_{\substack{k=1\k
eq i}}^m (\mathsf{x}_{\ell_k} - \mathsf{s}_{k\ell_k})$$

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 $r_3(x)$:

$$r_3(x) = (x_1 + 1),$$
 $r_3(x) = (x_2 + 1),$ $r_3(x) = (x_1 + 1)(x_2 + 1),$
 $r_3(x) = (x_1 + 1)x_3$ or $r_3(x) = (x_2 + 1)x_3.$

The vanishing ideal

Input vectors:	s ₁	s ₂						s 3
<i>x</i> ₁ <i>x</i> ₂ <i>x</i> ₃	111	110	101	100	011	010	001	000
f(x)	0	1	?	?	?	?	?	0
Output values	t_1	<i>t</i> ₂						<i>t</i> 3

One such choice for r_1 , r_2 , and r_3 yields

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = t_1 r_1(\mathbf{x}) + t_2 r_2(\mathbf{x}) + t_3 r_3(\mathbf{x})$$

= $\mathbf{0} \cdot \mathbf{x}_3 + \mathbf{1} \cdot \mathbf{x}_1(\mathbf{x}_3 + 1) + \mathbf{0} \cdot (\mathbf{x}_2 + 1)$
= $\mathbf{x}_1(\mathbf{x}_3 + 1).$

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

Proposition

Let $f(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathbb{F}[x_1, \ldots, x_n]/\langle x_1^2 - x_1, \ldots, x_n^2 - x_n \rangle$ fit a set $\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{s}_1, t_1), \ldots, (\mathbf{s}_k, t_k)\}$ 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

$$\mathsf{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(D) is the vanishing ideal in

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

Here are some other mathemtical 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

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

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:

$$2x + y + 3z = 4$$

$$3x - 5y - 2z = 6$$

$$Ax = b \text{ form}'': \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & -5 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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:

$$C\begin{bmatrix}1\\1\\-1\end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix}2\\0\\0\end{bmatrix}, \qquad C\begin{bmatrix}1\\1\\-1\end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix}10\\8\\-8\end{bmatrix}$$

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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	<i>t</i> ₁	<i>t</i> ₂						<i>t</i> 3

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

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

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

$$I(\mathbf{s}_i) = \{ (x_1 - s_{i1})g_1(\mathbf{x}) + (x_2 - s_{i2})g_2(\mathbf{x}) + (x_3 - s_{i3})g_3(\mathbf{x}) \mid g_i(\mathbf{x}) \in R/I \} \\ = \langle x_1 - s_{i1}, x_2 - s_{i2}, x_3 - s_{i3} \rangle.$$

The vanishing ideal is thus

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

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

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Output values	t_1	<i>t</i> ₂						<i>t</i> 3

We can compute the vanishing ideal in Macaulay2:

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};

The output is:

ideal(x1-x2, x2x3-x2-x3+1)

Thus, the model space consists of the 32 functions

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

Inferring Boolean models

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

To find the model space of a Boolean model (f_1, \ldots, 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: $s_1, \ldots, s_m \in \mathbb{F}^n$ Output vectors: $t_1, \ldots, t_m \in \mathbb{F}^n$

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*:

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

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

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

An example

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

$$\begin{cases} f_M = x_A \\ f_B = x_M \\ f_A = L \lor (B \land L_m) \lor (A \land \overline{B}). \end{cases}$$

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

$$\begin{cases} f_1 = x_3 & 011 \longrightarrow 100 \\ f_2 = x_1 & & \\ f_3 = (x_2 + 1)x_3. & 001 \longrightarrow 101 \longrightarrow 111 \longrightarrow 110 \longrightarrow 000 \end{cases}$$

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

The vanishing ideal consists of the 8 functions

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

and so the full model space is

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

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:

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

where 5 $r_1(\mathbf{x}) = \prod (x_{\ell_k} - s_{k\ell_k}) = (x_{\ell_2} - s_{2\ell_2})(x_{\ell_3} - s_{3\ell_3})(x_{\ell_4} - s_{4\ell_4})(x_{\ell_5} - s_{5\ell_5}).$ $\substack{k=1\\ k\neq 1}$ $s_1 = (0, 0, 1)$ $s_2 = (1, 0, 1) = t_1$ Recall that ℓ_k is any coordinate in which s₁ differs from s_k. skip k = 1 $s_3 = (1, 1, 1) = t_2$ $b_{12}(x) = (x_1 - s_{21}) = x_1 + 1$ $b_{13}(x) = (x_1 - s_{31}) = x_1 + 1$ $s_4 = (1, 1, 0) = t_3$ $b_{14}(x) = (x_1 - s_{41}) = x_1 + 1$ $b_{15}(x) = (x_2 - s_{52}) = x_2 + 1$ $s_5 = (0, 1, 0) = t_4$ Let's take $r_1(x) = (x_1 + 1)^3(x_2 + 1) = (x_1 + 1)(x_2 + 1)$. $(0, 0, 0) = t_5$

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 .

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

$$r_{1}(x) = (x_{1} + 1)(x_{2} + 1)$$

$$r_{2}(x) = x_{1}(x_{2} + 1)$$

$$r_{3}(x) = x_{1}x_{2}x_{3}$$

$$r_{4}(x) = x_{1}x_{2}(x_{3} + 1)$$

$$r_{5}(x) = (x_{1} + 1)x_{2}$$

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

$$\begin{array}{c} s_{1} = (0,0,1) \\ \downarrow \\ s_{2} = (1,0,1) = t_{1} \\ \downarrow \\ s_{3} = (1,1,1) = t_{2} \\ \downarrow \\ s_{4} = (1,1,0) = t_{3} \\ s_{5} = (0,1,0) = t_{4} \\ \downarrow \\ s_{5} = (0,1,0) = t_{5} \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} f_{1}(x) = t_{11}r_{1}(x) + t_{21}r_{2}(x) + t_{31}r_{3}(x) + t_{41}r_{4}(x) + t_{51}r_{5}(x) \\ = r_{1}(x) + r_{2}(x) + r_{3}(x) \\ = 1 + x_{2} + x_{1}x_{2}x_{3} \\ f_{2}(x) = t_{12}r_{1}(x) + t_{22}r_{2}(x) + t_{32}r_{3}(x) + t_{42}r_{4}(x) + t_{52}r_{5}(x) \\ = r_{2}(x) + r_{3}(x) + r_{4}(x) \\ = x_{1} \\ f_{3}(x) = t_{13}r_{1}(x) + t_{23}r_{2}(x) + t_{33}r_{3}(x) + t_{43}r_{4}(x) + t_{53}r_{5}(x) \\ = r_{1}(x) + r_{2}(x) \\ = 1 + x_{2}. \end{array}$$

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

Remark

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



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

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);

The ideal of polynomials that vanish on each s_k is: $s_1 = (0, 0, 1)$ I1 = ideal(x1, x2, x3-1);I2 = ideal(x1-1, x2, x3-1); $s_2 = (1, 0, 1) = t_1$ I3 = ideal(x1-1, x2-1, x3-1); I4 = ideal(x1-1, x2-1, x3);I5 = ideal(x1, x2-1, x3); $s_3 = (1, 1, 1) = t_2$ The ideal of polynomials that vanish on every s_k is: $s_4 = (1, 1, 0) = t_3$ $I = intersect{I1.I2.I3.I4.I5}$ To compute a Gröbner basis: $s_5 = (0,1,0) = t_4 \\$ G = gens gb IThe output is: | x2x3+x2+x3+1 x1x2+x1x3+x1+x2+x3+1 | $(0, 0, 0) = t_5$

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

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

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

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

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

Our reverse-engineered BN is slighly different than the "true model":

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

Goal ("model selection")

We would like to recover functions in $F_i = f_i + I$ that have no "extra terms" in I.

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For example, the following particular solution has "extra terms":

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

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

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

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

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f1 = 1+x2+x1*x2*x3;
f2 = x1;
f3 = 1+x2;
f1¼I; f2¼I; f3¼I;
(f1, f2, f3)
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The output is: (x3, x1, x2+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

$$r_i(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{s}_i \\ 0 & \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{s}_j, \ j \neq i \end{cases}$$

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:

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

An example over \mathbb{F}_5

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

$$s_{1} = (2, 0, 0)$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$s_{2} = (4, 3, 1) = t_{1}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$s_{3} = (3, 1, 4) = t_{2}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$(0, 4, 3) = t_{3}$$

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

$$s_{i\ell_{k}} - s_{k\ell_{k}})^{p-2}(x_{\ell} - s_{k\ell_{k}})$$

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:

$$\begin{split} b_{12}(x) &= (s_{11} - s_{21})^3 (x_1 - s_{21}) = (2 - 4)^3 (x_1 - 4) = -8(x_1 + 1) = 2x_1 + 2\\ b_{13}(x) &= (s_{11} - s_{31})^3 (x_1 - s_{31}) = (2 - 3)^3 (x_1 - 3) = -x_1 + 3 = 4x_1 + 3. \end{split}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} r_1(x) &= b_{12}(x)b_{13}(x) = (2x_1+2)(4x_1+3) = 8x_1^2 + 14x_1 + 6 = 3x_1^2 + 4x_1 + 1\\ r_2(x) &= b_{21}(x)b_{23}(x) = (3x_1+4)(x_1+2) = 3x_1^2 + 10x_1 + 8 = 3x_1^2 + 3\\ r_3(x) &= b_{31}(x)b_{32}(x) = (x_1+3)(4x_1+4) = 4x_1^2 + 16x_1 + 12 = 4x_1^2 + x_1 + 2 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the following functions fit the data:

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

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

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

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(D) is

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

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:

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} :

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

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

f1=x1*x1+x1+3; f2=3x1²+x1+4; f3=2x1²+2x1+4;

We can compute the Gröbner normal form in Macaulay2:

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

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