Linear PDE with constant coefficients

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Motivation

Study the ideal
$$I = \langle x^2, y^2, xz - yz^2 \rangle$$

- Solve the equations $x^2 = y^2 = xz yz^2 = 0$ Answer: the z-axis.
- Which polynomials lie in the ideal

$$I = \langle x^2, y^2, x - yz \rangle \cap \langle x^2, y^2, z \rangle?$$

Answer: A polynomial f lies in $I = \langle x^2, y^2, x - yz \rangle \cap \langle x^2, y^2, z \rangle$ if and only if the following conditions hold: Both f and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} + z \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ vanish on the z-axis, and both $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ vanish at the origin.

Solve the PDE given by 1:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x \partial z} - \frac{\partial^3 \varphi}{\partial y \partial z^2} = 0.$$

Answer: $\varphi(x, y, z) = \xi(z) + (y\psi(z) + x\psi'(z)) + \alpha xy + \beta x$.

Setup

 $R = \mathbb{C}[\partial_{z_1}, \dots, \partial_{z_n}]$, elements of R^k acts on functions $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{C}^k$ as follow:

$$R^{k} \times \mathcal{F}^{k} \to \mathcal{F}$$
$$p \bullet \varphi \mapsto \sum_{i=1}^{k} p_{i} \cdot \varphi_{i}$$

 \mathcal{F} is either $\mathcal{D}'\left(\mathbb{R}^n\right)$ or $\mathcal{C}_0^\infty\left(\mathbb{R}^n\right)$.

An $k \times \ell$ matrix M encodes a linear PDE with constant coefficients. φ satisfies the PDE given by M if $M_i \bullet \varphi$ vanishes for all column M_i .

$$\mathsf{Sol}(M) := \left\{ \varphi \in \mathcal{F}^k : m \bullet \varphi = 0 \text{ for all } m \in M \right\}$$

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Example of PDE

$$\begin{split} M = \begin{bmatrix} \partial_1 \partial_3 & \partial_1 \partial_2 & \partial_1^2 \partial_2 \\ \partial_1^2 & \partial_2^2 & \partial_1^2 \partial_4 \end{bmatrix} \\ \\ \frac{\partial^2 \psi_1}{\partial z_1 \partial z_3} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi_2}{\partial z_1^2} &= \frac{\partial^2 \psi_1}{\partial z_1 \partial z_2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi_2}{\partial z_2^2} &= \frac{\partial^3 \psi_1}{\partial z_1^2 \partial z_2} + \frac{\partial^3 \psi_2}{\partial z_1^2 \partial z_4} &= 0 \end{split}$$

A family of (some) solutions is

$$t^{2}\begin{bmatrix} t \\ -s \end{bmatrix} \exp\left(s^{2}tz_{1} + st^{2}z_{2} + s^{3}z_{3} + t^{3}z_{4}\right)$$

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Exponential solutions

Given M submodule of R^k and $Ass(M) = \{P_1, \dots, P_s\}$; $P_i \subseteq R$ is associated to M if there exists $m \in R^k$ such that $(M : m) = P_i$.

$$V(M) = V(P_1) \cup \ldots \cup V(P_s) = V(\langle k \times k \text{ subdeterminants of } M \rangle)$$

is called the characteristic variety of M.

The arithmetic length m_i of M along P_i is the length of the largest submodule of finite length in $(R_{P_i})^k/M_{P_i}$.

If M is a P-primary ideal; its arithmetic length is $\frac{\deg(M)}{\deg(P)}$.

Exponential solutions

Lemma

Fix a $k \times l$ matrix $M(\partial)$. A point $u \in \mathbb{C}^n$ lies in V(M) if and only if there exist constants $c_1, \ldots, c_k \in \mathbb{C}$, not all zero, such that

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_k \end{pmatrix} \exp(u_1 z_1 + \dots + u_n z_n) \in Sol(M)$$

Proposition

The solution space Sol(M) contains an exponential solution $q(z) \cdot \exp(u^t z)$ if and only if $u \in V(M)$. Here q is a vector of polynomials.

Finite dimensional case

Theorem ([4])

Consider a submodule $M\subseteq R^k$. Its solution space Sol(M) is finite-dimensional over $\mathbb C$ if and only if V(M) has dimension 0. There is a basis of Sol(M) given by vectors $q(z)\exp(u^tz)$, where $u\in V(M)$ and q(z) runs over a finite set of polynomial vectors.

There exist polynomial solutions if and only if $\mathfrak{m}=\langle x_1,\ldots,x_n\rangle$ is an associated prime of M. The polynomial solutions are found by solving the PDE given by the \mathfrak{m} -primary component of M.

$$\dim_{\mathbb{C}}\operatorname{\mathsf{Sol}}(M)=\dim_{K}\left(R^{k}/M\right)=\operatorname{\mathsf{amult}}(M).$$

Ehrenpreis-Palamodov Fundamental Principle

Theorem (Ehrenpreis-Palamodov Fundamental Principle)

Consider a module $M \subseteq R^k$. There exist irreducible varieties V_1, \ldots, V_s in \mathbb{C}^n and finitely many vectors B_{ij} of polynomials in 2n unknowns (x,z), such that any solution $\psi \in \mathcal{F}$ admits an integral representation

$$\psi(z) = \sum_{i=1}^{s} \sum_{j=1}^{m_i} \int_{V_i} B_{ij}(x, z) \exp(x^t z) d\mu_{ij}(x)$$

Here μ_{ij} is a measure supported on the variety V_i .

Example

The ideal $I = \langle \partial_1^2 - \partial_2 \partial_3, \partial_3^2 \rangle$ represents the PDE

$$\frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial z_1^2} = \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial z_2 \partial z_3} \quad \text{ and } \quad \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial z_3^2} = 0$$

for a scalar-valued function $\varphi = \varphi(z_1, z_2, z_3)$. Primary and $m_1 = 4$. It reveals the vectors

$$B_1 = 1, B_2 = z_1, B_3 = z_1^2 x_2 + 2z_3, B_4 = z_1^3 x_2 + 6z_1 z_3$$
$$\varphi(z) = a(z_2) + z_1 b(z_2) + (z_1^2 c'(z_2) + 2z_3 c(z_2)) + (z_1^3 d'(z_2) + 6z_1 z_3 d(z_2))$$

Noetherian operators

Denote $R = \mathbb{C}\left[\partial_{z_1}, \dots, \partial_{z_n}\right] := \mathbb{C}\left[x_1, \dots, x_n\right] \ (x_i = \partial_{z_i}).$ Find the differential operators $A_{i,j}(\mathbf{x}, \partial_{\mathbf{x}})$ such that

$$m \in M \iff A_{i,j} \bullet m \in P_i \text{ for all } P_i \in \operatorname{Ass}(M)$$

 $A_{i,j}$ are called Noetherian operators and the list $(P_i, A_{i,\cdot})$ is called a differential primary decomposition of M.

Noetherian multiplier

Suppose M is P-primary submodule of R^k . Consider the differential operator in the Weyl algebra

$$A(\mathsf{x},\partial_\mathsf{x}) = \sum_{\mathsf{r},\mathsf{s} \in \mathbb{N}^n} c_{\mathsf{r},\mathsf{s}} x_1^{r_1} \cdots x_n^{r_n} \partial_{x_1}^{s_1} \cdots \partial_{x_n}^{s_n}, \quad \text{ where } c_{\mathsf{r},\mathsf{s}} \in K$$

There is a natural K-linear isomorphism between the Weyl algebra D_n and the polynomial ring K[x,z] which takes the operator $A(x,\partial_x)$ to the following polynomial B in 2n variables:

$$B(x,z) = \sum_{r,s \in \mathbb{N}^n} c_{r,s} x_1^{r_1} \cdots x_n^{r_n} z_1^{s_1} \cdots z_n^{s_n}$$

This bijection restricts to a bijection between Noetherian operators and Noetherian multipliers:

$$\mathfrak{B} := \left\{ B \in K[\mathsf{x},\mathsf{z}] : B(\mathsf{x},\mathsf{z}) \exp\left(\mathsf{x}^t\mathsf{z}\right) \in \mathsf{Sol}(M) \text{ for all } \mathsf{x} \in V(P) \right\}$$

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Differential primary decomposition

Theorem ([2])

Every submodule M of R^k has a differential primary decomposition. We can choose the sets A_1, \ldots, A_s such that $|A_i|$ is the arithmetic length of M along the prime P_i .

Moreover If $(P_1, A_1), \ldots, (P_s, A_s)$ is any differential primary decomposition for M, then $|A_i| \geq m_i$.

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solvePDE algorithm

Algorithm 1 SolvePDE

Input: An arbitrary submodule M of R^k

Output: List of associated primes with corresponding Noetherian multipliers.

- 1: for each associated prime ideal P of M do $U \leftarrow MR_P^k \cap R^k$ 2:
- $V \leftarrow (U:P^{\infty})$ 3:
- 4:
- $r \leftarrow$ the smallest number such that $V \cap P^{r+1}R^k$ is a subset of U
- $\mathcal{S} \leftarrow$ a maximal set of independent variables modulo P5:
- $\mathbb{K} \leftarrow \operatorname{Frac}(R/P)$ 6:
- $T \leftarrow \mathbb{K}[y_i \colon x_i \not\in \mathcal{S}]$
- $\gamma \leftarrow$ the map defined in (37)
- $\mathfrak{m} \leftarrow$ the irrelevant ideal in T Q.
- $\hat{U} \leftarrow \gamma(U) + \mathfrak{m}^{r+1}T^k$ 10:
- $\hat{V} \leftarrow \gamma(V) + \mathbf{m}^{r+1}T^k$ 11:
- 12: $N \leftarrow$ a K-vector space basis of the space of k-tuples of polynomials of degree < r
- $Diff(\hat{U}) \leftarrow$ the matrix given by the \bullet -product of generators of \hat{U} with elements of N 13:
- $Diff(\hat{V}) \leftarrow the matrix given by the \bullet product of generators of \hat{V}$ with elements of N 14.
- $\mathcal{K} \leftarrow \ker_{\mathbb{K}}(\mathrm{Diff}(\hat{U})) / \ker_{\mathbb{K}}(\mathrm{Diff}(\hat{V}))$ 15:
- $\mathcal{A} \leftarrow$ a K-vector space basis of \mathcal{K} 16:
- $\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \text{lifts of the vectors in } \mathcal{A} \subset T^k \text{ to vectors in } R[\mathsf{d}x_1, \dots, \mathsf{d}x_n]^k$ 17:
- **return** the pair (P, \mathcal{B}) 18:

$$\gamma \colon R \to T, \quad x_i \mapsto \begin{cases} y_i + u_i, & \text{if } x_i \notin S, \\ u_i, & \text{if } x_i \in S. \end{cases}$$

solvePDE

Distributed in Macaulay2 with the package "NoehterianOperators" from version 1.18.

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R=QQ[x1,x2,x3];
I=ideal(x1^2-x2*x3,x3^2);
Ideal of R
solvePDE I
{{ideal (x3, x1), {| 1 |, | dx1 |, | x2dx1^2+2dx3 |, | x2dx1^3+6dx1dx3 |}}}
List
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$$a(z_2), z_1b(z_2),$$

$$\int (x_2z_1^2 + z_3) \exp(x_2z_2) dx_2 = z_1^2 \partial_{z_2} \left(\int \exp(x_2z_2) dx_2 \right) + z_3 \int \exp(z_2x_2) dx_2$$

$$= z_1^2 c_1'(z_2) + z_3 c_2(z_2),$$

$$\begin{split} \int & \left(x_2 z_1^3 + 6 z_1 z_3\right) \exp(x_2 z_2) dx_2 = z_1^3 \partial_{z_2} \left(\int \exp(x_2 z_2) dx_2 \right) + 6 z_1 z_3 \int \exp(z_2 x_2) dx_2 \\ &= z_1^3 d_1'(z_2) + 6 z_1 z_3 d_2(z_2), \end{split}$$

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Linear PDE with polynomial coefficients

Consider the Weyl algebra $D=\mathbb{C}\langle z_1,\ldots,z_n,\partial_1,\ldots,\partial_n\rangle$, and I a D-ideal. $\mathrm{in}_{(-w,w)}(I)$ is fixed under the action of the n-dimensional algebraic torus $(\mathbb{C}^*)^n\colon t_i\bullet x_i=\frac{1}{t_i}x_i$ and $t_i\bullet\partial_i=t_i\partial_{t_i}$.

 $\operatorname{in}_{(-w,w)}(I)$ is generated by operators $x^a p(\theta) \partial^b$ where $a,b \in \mathbb{N}^n$ where $\theta_i = z_i \partial_i$ [5, Theorem 2.3.3].

Consider

$$[\theta_b] := \prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{j=0}^{b_i-1} (\theta_i - j)$$

The distraction J of $\text{in}_{(-w,w)}(I)$ is the ideal in $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ generated by all polynomials $[\theta_b] p(\theta - b) = x^b p(\theta) \partial^b$.

 $Sol(J) = Sol(in_{(-w,w)}(I))$ which can often be lift to Sol(I).

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