# Gröbner's problem and the geometry of GT-varieties.

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# Content.

New contributions to Gröbner's problem.

- Gröbner's problem and monomial projections.
- Invariants of finite abelian groups.
- $\overline{G}$ -varieties and the Lefschetz properties: GT-varieties.

- **2** The geometry of  $\overline{G}$ -varieties.
  - Hilbert function and Hilbert series.
  - The homogeneous ideal.
  - The canonical module.
  - The Castelnuovo–Mumford regularity.

- $\bullet~\mathbb{K},$  algebraically closed field of characteristic zero.
- $R = \mathbb{K}[x_0, \ldots, x_n]$ , the polynomial ring.

$$R = \bigoplus_{t \ge 0} R_t$$
, dim<sub>K</sub>  $R_t = \binom{n+t}{n} =: N_{n,t}$ 

GL(n+1, 𝔅), the group of invertible (n+1)-square matrices over 𝔅.

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- $R^{\Lambda}$ , the ring of invariants of a finite group  $\Lambda \in GL(n+1,\mathbb{K})$ .
- CM, Cohen-Macaulay and
- *aCM*, arithmetically Cohen-Macaulay.

# Gröbner's problem.

The Veronese variety  $X_{n,d} \subset \mathbb{P}^{N_{n,d}-1}$  of  $\mathbb{P}^n$  is the *n*-dimensional projective variety parameterized by the set of all monomials of degree *d* in *R*:

$$\mathcal{M}_{n,d} = \{x_0^{a_0} \cdots x_n^{a_n} \in R \mid a_0 + \cdots + a_n = d\}.$$

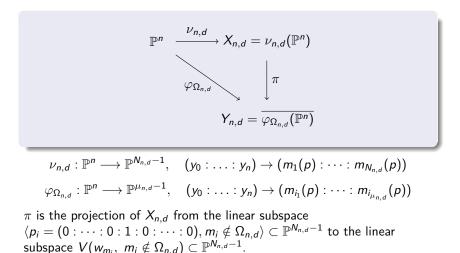
#### Definition

A monomial projection  $Y_{n,d} \subset \mathbb{P}^{\mu_{n,d}-1}$  of  $X_{n,d}$  is a projective variety parameterized by a subset  $\Omega_{n,d} \subset \mathcal{M}_{n,d}$  of  $\mu_{n,d} \leq N_{n,d}$  monomials.

- For N<sub>n,d</sub> μ<sub>n,d</sub> = 1,2,3, Y<sub>n,d</sub> is called, respectively, a simple, double, triple monomial projection of the Veronese variety X<sub>n,d</sub>.
- For N<sub>n,d</sub> − μ<sub>n,d</sub> ≥ 4, Y<sub>n,d</sub> is called a *multiple* monomial projection of the Veronese variety X<sub>n,d</sub>.

# Gröbner's problem.

$$\Omega_{n,d} = \{m_{i_1}, \ldots, m_{i_{\mu_{n,d}}}\} \subset \mathcal{M}_{n,d} = \{m_1, \ldots, m_{N_{n,d}}\}$$



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(1967) Gröbner proved that the Veronese variety  $X_{n,d} \subset \mathbb{P}^{N_{n,d}-1}$  is an aCM variety.

The simple monomial projection  $Y_{n,d} \subset \mathbb{P}^{N_{n,d}-2}$  of  $X_{n,d} \subset \mathbb{P}^{N_{n,d}-1}$  parameterized by  $\Omega_{n,d} = \mathcal{M}_{n,d} \setminus \{x_i^{d-2}x_j^2\}$  is a **non aCM** variety.

The simple monomial projection  $Y_{n,d} \subset \mathbb{P}^{N_{n,d}-2}$  of  $X_{n,d} \subset \mathbb{P}^{N_{n,d}-1}$  parameterized by  $\Omega_{n,d} = \mathcal{M}_{n,d} \setminus \{x_i^d\}$  is an **aCM** variety.

### Problem (Gröbner's problem)

To determine when a monomial projection  $Y_{n,d}$  of the Veronese variety  $X_{n,d}$  is an aCM variety.

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# Gröbner's problem.

The rational normal curve  $X_{1,d} \subset \mathbb{P}^d$  is the Veronese curve parameterized by all monomials of degree d in  $\mathbb{K}[x_0, x_1]$ :

$$\mathcal{M}_{1,d} = \{x_0^d, x_0^{d-1}x_1, x_0^{d-2}x_1^2, \dots, x_0x_1^{d-1}, x_1^d\}.$$

#### Example

We take 
$$d = 4$$
,  $\mathcal{M}_{1,4} = \{x_0^4, x_0^3 x_1, x_0^2 x_1^2, x_0 x_1^3, x_1^4\}.$ 

$$\Omega_{1,4} = \{x_0^4, x_0^3 x_1, x_0 x_1^3, x_1^4\} = \mathcal{M}_{1,4} \setminus \{x_0^2 x_1^2\}.$$

 $\mathbb{K}[\Omega_{1,4}]$  is the first example of a non CM domain due to Macaulay, so the simple monomial projection  $Y_{1,4} \subset \mathbb{P}^3$  parameterized by  $\Omega_{1,4}$  is a non aCM curve. If instead of  $x_0^2 x_1^2$  we delete the monomial  $x_0^4$ , we obtain a rational twisted cubic in  $\mathbb{P}^3$ , which is an aCM curve.

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# Gröbner's problem.

Consider a monomial projection  $Y_{n,d} \subset \mathbb{P}^{\mu_{n,d}-1}$  of  $X_{n,d}$  parameterized by  $\Omega_{n,d} = \{m_1, \ldots, m_{\mu_{n,d}}\}.$ 

We take  $w_1, \ldots, w_{\mu_{n,d}}$  new variables and we set  $S = \mathbb{K}[w_1, \ldots, w_{\mu_{n,d}}]$ .

 $I(Y_{n,d})$  is the kernel of the morphism

$$\rho: S \to \mathbb{K}[m_1, \ldots, m_{\mu_{n,d}}] =: \mathbb{K}[\Omega_{n,d}], \quad \rho(w_i) = m_i$$

 $A(Y_{n,d}) \cong \mathbb{K}[\Omega_{n,d}]$ , i.e the semigroup ring of the affine semigroup

$$\mathsf{H}(\Omega_{n,d}) = \langle (a_0,\ldots,a_n) \mid x_0^{a_0} \ldots x_n^{a_n} \in \Omega_{n,d} \rangle \subset \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{n+1}.$$

 $I(Y_{n,d})$  is the binomial prime ideal generated by

$$\left\{\prod_{i=1}^{\mu_{n,d}} w_i^{\alpha_i} - \prod_{i=1}^{\mu_{n,d}} w_i^{\beta_i} \mid \prod_{i=1}^{\mu_{n,d}} m_i^{\alpha_i} = \prod_{i=1}^{\mu_{n,d}} m_i^{\beta_i}, \alpha_i, \beta_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}\right\}.$$

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# Gröbner's problem. Techniques

• Normal affine semigroups  $H \subset \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{n+1}$ , i.e. if  $h_1, h_2, h_3 \in H$  and  $zh_1 = zh_2 + h_3$  for some  $z \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ , then there exists  $h \in H$  such that  $h_3 = zh$ .

### Theorem (Hochster)

If H is normal, then  $\mathbb{K}[H]$  is a CM ring.

• Simplicial affine semigroups  $H \subset \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{n+1}$ , i.e. there are  $\mathbb{Q}$ -linearly independent elements  $e_0, \ldots, e_n \in \overline{H}$  and  $z \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  such that zH is contained in the affine semigroup  $\langle e_0, \ldots, e_n \rangle$ .

#### Theorem (Goto, Suzuki, Watanabe, Hoa, Trung)

Set  $H_1 := \{h \in \overline{H} \mid h + e_i \in H \text{ and } h + e_j \in H \text{ for some } 0 \le i \ne j \le n\}$ . Then,  $\mathbb{K}[H]$  is a CM ring if and only if  $H = H_1$ .

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# Gröbner's problem in terms of the deleted monomials.

- (Schenzel) Simple monomial projections.
- (Trung) Double monomial projections.
- (Hoa) Triple monomial projections.

# Monomial projections of the rational normal curve $X_{1,d} \subset \mathbb{P}^d$

- (Cavaliere, Niesi) Simplicial case.
- (Trung) In general.

Gröbner's problem for multiple monomial projections of the Veronese varieties remains barely known.

Let  $G \subset \mathsf{GL}(n+1,\mathbb{K})$  be a finite abelian group of order  $d = d_1 \cdots d_s$ .

$$G = \Gamma_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus \Gamma_s \subset GL(n+1,\mathbb{K})$$

where each  $\Gamma_i$  is a cyclic group of order  $d_i$  with  $d_i|d_i + 1$  and it is generated by a diagonal matrix of the form  $M_{d_i;\gamma_0,\ldots,\gamma_n} := \text{diag}(e_i^{\gamma_0},\ldots,e_i^{\gamma_n})$ , i.e.

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccccc} e_{i}^{\gamma_{0}} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & e_{i}^{\gamma_{1}} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & e_{i}^{\gamma_{n}} \end{array}\right)$$

with  $e_i$  a  $d_i$ th primitive root of  $1 \in \mathbb{K}$  and  $\text{GCD}(d_i, \gamma_0, \dots, \gamma_n) = 1$ .

The ring of invariants of G

$$R^G = \{p \in R \mid g(p) = p, \forall g \in G\} = \oplus_{t \ge 0} R^G_t, R^G_t = R_t \cap R^G.$$

R<sup>G</sup> has a minimal set {m<sub>1</sub>,..., m<sub>N</sub>} of monomial generators of degree at most ord(G) = d, i.e. R<sup>G</sup> = K[m<sub>1</sub>,..., m<sub>N</sub>]. {m<sub>1</sub>,..., m<sub>N</sub>} is called a *minimal set of fundamental invariants of G*.

### Theorem (Eagon, Hochster)

The ring  $\mathbb{R}^{\Lambda}$  of invariants of a finite group  $\Lambda \subset GL(n+1, \mathbb{K})$  is a CM ring.

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#### Example

We take  $G = \langle M_{3;0,1,2} = \text{diag}(1, e, e^2) \rangle \subset \text{GL}(3, \mathbb{K})$ . A minimal set of generators of  $R^G$  consists of monomials of degree 1, 2 and 3:

 $\{x_0, x_1x_2, x_1^3, x_2^3\}.$ 

We consider the *d*th Veronese subalgebra  $R^{\overline{G}}$  of  $R^{G}$ :

$$R^{\overline{G}} = igoplus_{t\geq 0} R^{\overline{G}}_t = igoplus_{t\geq 0} R^G_{td} \subset igoplus_{t\geq 0} R^G_t.$$

 $R^{\overline{G}}$  is the ring of invariants of the abelian group  $\overline{G} \subset GL(n+1, \mathbb{K})$ generated by the generators of G and the diagonal matrix diag $(e, \ldots, e)$ , where e is a dth primitive root of  $1 \in \mathbb{K}$ .  $\overline{G}$  is called the *cyclic extension* of G.

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### Example (Last example)

We take  $G = \langle M_{3;0,1,2} = \text{diag}(1, e, e^2) \rangle \subset \text{GL}(3, \mathbb{K})$ . A minimal set of generators of  $R^G$  consists of monomials of degree 1, 2 and 3:

 $\{x_0, x_1x_2, x_1^3, x_2^3\}.$ 

### Example (Taking the cyclic extension)

We take the cyclic extension  $\overline{G} = \langle M_{3;0,1,2}, M_{3;1,1,1} \rangle \subset GL(3, \mathbb{K})$ , an abelian group of order 9. A minimal set of generators of  $R^{\overline{G}}$  consist of monomials of the same degree 3:

$$\{x_0^3, x_1^3, x_2^3, x_1x_2x_3\}.$$

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They parameterize an aCM monomial projection  $Y_{2,3} \subset \mathbb{P}^3$  of the Veronese surface  $X_{2,3} \subset \mathbb{P}^9$ .

#### Theorem

The set  $\mathcal{B}_1$  of all monomial invariants of G of degree d is a minimal set of generators of  $R^{\overline{G}}$ , i.e  $R^{\overline{G}} = \mathbb{K}[\mathcal{B}_1]$ .

$$\mathcal{B}_1 = \{m_1, \ldots, m_{\mu_d}\} \subset R ext{ with } |\mathcal{B}_1| = \mu_d.$$

#### Theorem

 $\mathcal{B}_1$  parameterizes an aCM monomial projection  $X_d \subset \mathbb{P}^{\mu_d-1}$  of the Veronese variety  $X_{n,d} \subset \mathbb{P}^{N_{n,d}-1}$ . We call  $X_d$  a  $\overline{G}$ -variety with group  $G \subset GL(n+1,\mathbb{K})$ .

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# Invariants of finite abelian groups from Combinatorics.

The set of monomial invariants of *G* of degree *td* is a  $\mathbb{K}$ -basis of  $R_{td}^{G}$ , we denote it by  $\mathcal{B}_t$ . They are univocally determined by the set of  $\mathbb{Z}_{>0}^{n+1}$ -solutions of the system of congruences  $(*)_{\mathcal{A};t,r_1,\ldots,r_s}$ :

$$\begin{cases} y_{0} + y_{1} + \cdots + y_{n} = td \\ \alpha^{1}_{\sigma_{1}(0)}y_{0} + \alpha^{1}_{\sigma_{1}(1)}y_{1} + \cdots + \alpha^{1}_{\sigma_{1}(n)}y_{n} = r_{1}d_{1} \\ \vdots \\ \alpha^{s}_{\sigma_{s}(0)}y_{0} + \alpha^{s}_{\sigma_{s}(1)}y_{1} + \cdots + \alpha^{s}_{\sigma_{s}(n)}y_{n} = r_{s}d_{s} \end{cases}$$

 $0 \leq r_i \leq \frac{\alpha_n^i t d}{d_i}, \ i=1,\ldots,s.$ 

### Remark

$$(td, 0, ..., 0), ..., (0, ..., 0, td)$$
 are solutions of  $(*)_{A;t;r_1,...,r_s}$ .

The set of all these points forms a *normal simplicial affine semigroup*  $H_A \subset \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{n+1}$ . By Hochster's result, we obtain that  $\mathbb{K}[H_A]$  is a CM ring.

# $\overline{G}$ -varieties and the Lefschetz properties. GT-varieties.

We denote by  $I_d \subset R$  the monomial artinian ideal generated by the set  $\mathcal{B}_1 = \{m_1, \ldots, m_{\mu_d}\}$  of fundamental invariants of  $\overline{G}$ .

### Definition

An artinian ideal  $J \subset R$  fails the weak Lefschetz property, shortly WLP, in degree  $i_0$  if for any linear form  $L \in (R/L)_1$  the multiplication map

 $\times L: (R/J)_{i_0} \to (R/J)_{i_0+1}$ 

does not have maximal rank, i.e. it is neither injective nor surjective.

#### Example

We take  $J = \langle x_0^3, x_1^3, x_2^3, x_0 x_1 x_2 \rangle$ . The ideal J fails the WLP in degree 2 since the multiplication map  $\times L : (R/J)_2 \to (R/J)_3$  is not injective for any  $L \in R_1$ .

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# Togliatti systems

A connection between artinian ideals failing the WLP and the existence of projective varieties satisfying at least one Laplace equation:

# Theorem (Mezzetti, Miró-Roig, Ottaviani (Tea Theorem))

Let  $J \subset R$  be an artinian ideal generated by r forms  $F_1, \ldots, F_r$  of degree d and let  $J^{-1}$  be its Macaulay's inverse system. If  $r \leq N_{n-1,d} = \binom{n-1+d}{n-1}$ , then the following conditions are equivalent.

- (i) J fails the WLP in degree d 1.
- (ii)  $F_1, \ldots, F_r$  become  $\mathbb{K}$ -linearly dependent on a general hyperplane  $H \subset \mathbb{P}^n$ .
- (iii) The n-dimensional variety  $Y := \overline{\varphi(\mathbb{P}^n)}$  satisfies at least one Laplace equation of order d 1, where  $\varphi = \mathbb{P}^n \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}^{N_{n,d}-r-1}$  is the rational map associated to  $J_d^{-1}$ .

They called a *Togliatti system* to any ideal J satisfying the equivalent conditions (i),(ii) and (iii).

### Definition (*GT*-systems and *GT*-varieties)

Let  $\Lambda \subset \operatorname{GL}(n+1,\mathbb{K})$  be a finite group of order d with  $2 \leq n < d$ . A Togliatti system  $J \subset R$  generated by  $r \leq N_{n-1,d}$  forms  $F_1, \ldots, F_r$  of degree d is said to be a GT-system with group  $\Lambda$  if the associated morphism  $\varphi_J : \mathbb{P}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{P}^{r-1}$  is a Galois covering with group  $\Lambda$ . In this case,  $X = \varphi_J(\mathbb{P}^n)$  is called a GT-variety with group  $\Lambda$ .

### Proposition (The Galois covering condition)

Let  $\Lambda \subset GL(n + 1, \mathbb{K})$  be a finite group of order  $|\Lambda|$  and  $\mathcal{B} = \{g_1, \ldots, g_r\}$ a minimal set of homogeneous fundamental invariants of  $\Lambda$  with  $\deg(g_1) = \cdots = \deg(g_r) =: d$ . Let  $\varphi_{\mathcal{B}} : \mathbb{P}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{P}^{r-1}$  be the morphism defined by  $(g_1 : \cdots : g_r)$ . It holds:

 (i) R<sup>Λ</sup> is the homogeneous coordinate ring of the projective variety X := φ<sub>B</sub>(ℙ<sup>n</sup>) ⊂ ℙ<sup>r-1</sup>. Thus X is the quotient variety ℙ<sup>n</sup>/Λ and it is an aCM variety.

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(ii) 
$$\varphi_{\mathcal{B}}: \mathbb{P}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{P}^{r-1}$$
 is a Galois covering of  $\mathbb{P}^n$  with group  $\Lambda$ .

# $\overline{G}$ -varieties and GT-varieties.

Let  $G \subset GL(n+1, \mathbb{K})$  an abelian group of order d,  $\mathcal{B}_1 = \{m_1, \ldots, m_{\mu_d}\}$  the set of fundamental invariants of  $\overline{G}$  and  $I_d = (\mathcal{B}_1) \subset R$ .

#### Proposition

If  $\mu_d \leq N_{n-1,d}$ , then  $I_d$  is a GT-system with group  $G \subset GL(n+1,\mathbb{K})$ .

- Let  $L \in (R/I_d)_1$  be a linear form.
- We set  $F := \prod_{g \in G \setminus \{Id\}} g(L)$ , which is a form of degree d 1.
- $L \cdot F = \prod_{g \in G} g(L)$  is a form of degree d. By construction,  $L \cdot F$  is an invariant of G of degree d, thus  $L \cdot F \in I_d$ .
- The multiplication map  $\times L : (R/I_d)_i \to (R/I_d)_{i+1}$  has maximal rank for any  $0 \le i \le d-2$ .
- Since  $\mu_d \leq N_{n-1,d}$ ,  $\times L : (R/I_d)_{d-1} \rightarrow (R/I_d)_d$  is neither injective nor surjective. So  $I_d$  fails the WLP in degree d 1.

# The geometry of $\overline{G}$ -varieties

## Goals

- Hilbert function, Hilbert polynomial and Hilbert series.
- Degree.
- A minimal set of generators of the homogeneous ideal.
- Canonical module, Cohen-Macaulay type and Castelnuovo–Mumford regularity.

# A minimal free resolution

We set  $c := \operatorname{codim}(X_d) = \mu_d - n - 1$ . A minimal graded free *S*-resolution  $F_{\bullet}$  of  $A(X_d)$ :

$$F_{\bullet}: \quad 0 \longrightarrow F_c \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow F_2 \longrightarrow F_1 \longrightarrow S \longrightarrow A(X_d) \longrightarrow 0,$$

where

$$F_i \cong \bigoplus_{j\geq 1}^{f_i} S(-j-i)^{\beta_{i,j}}$$

and  $\beta_{i,f_i} > 0$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq c$ .

# Hilbert function and Hilbert series

### Hilbert function

$$\mathsf{HF}(A(X_d), t) = \dim_{\mathbb{K}}(S/I(X_d))_t = \dim_{\mathbb{K}} R_t^{\overline{G}}.$$

### Proposition

For any  $t \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ ,  $HF(A(X_d), t)$  equals to the number of monomial invariants of G of degree td. Equivalently, it is the number of  $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{n+1}$ -solutions of the linear system of congruences:

$$\begin{cases} y_0 + y_1 + \cdots + y_n &= td \\ \alpha^1_{\sigma_1(0)} y_0 + \alpha^1_{\sigma_1(1)} y_1 + \cdots + \alpha^1_{\sigma_1(n)} y_n &\equiv 0 \mod d_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha^s_{\sigma_s(0)} y_0 + \alpha^s_{\sigma_s(1)} y_1 + \cdots + \alpha^s_{\sigma_s(n)} y_n &\equiv 0 \mod d_s \end{cases}$$

It provides a method to effectively compute  $HF(A(X_d), t)$  in low dimension.

Let  $G = \langle M_{d;0,\alpha_1,\alpha_2} \rangle \subset GL(3,\mathbb{K})$  be a cyclic group of order  $d \ge 3$  and  $X_d$  a GT-surface with group G. We consider integers:

$$\alpha'_1 = \frac{\alpha_1}{\operatorname{GCD}(\alpha_1, d)}, \ d' = \frac{d}{\operatorname{GCD}(\alpha_1, d)}$$

 $\mu$  and  $0 < \lambda \leq d'$  such that  $\alpha_2 = \lambda \alpha'_1 + \mu d'$ .

### Theorem (-, Mezzetti, Miró-Roig)

Set 
$$\theta(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, d) := (\alpha_1, d) + (\lambda, d') + (\lambda - (\alpha_1, d), d')$$
. Then,  
(i)  $HF(X_d, t) = \frac{d}{2}t^2 + \frac{1}{2}\theta(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, d)t + 1$ .

(ii) 
$$HS(X_d, z) = \frac{\frac{d-\theta(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, d)+2}{2}z^2 + \frac{d+\theta(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, d)-4}{2}z + 1}{(1-z)^3}.$$

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# From Invariant Theory: Molien series

### Hilbert series

$$\mathsf{HS}(A(X_d), z) = \sum_{t \ge 0} \mathsf{HF}(A(X_d), t) z^t = \frac{h_s z^s + \dots + h_1 z + 1}{(1 - z)^{n+1}}$$

Proposition (An expression only in terms of the group  $\overline{G}$ )

 $HS(A(X_d), z^d)$  is the Molien series of  $\overline{G}$ :

$$\frac{1}{|\overline{G}|}\sum_{g\in\overline{G}}\frac{1}{\det(\mathit{Id}-\mathit{zg})}.$$

### Example

We take  $2 \le n < d$  with d prime and a cyclic group of order d  $G = \langle M_{d;\alpha_0,...,\alpha_n} \rangle \subset GL(n+1,\mathbb{K})$  such that  $\alpha_0 < \alpha_1 < \cdots < \alpha_n < d$ . Expanding the Molien series of  $\overline{G}$ , we obtain:

$$\mathsf{HF}(A(X_d),t) = \frac{1}{d} \binom{td+n}{n} + \frac{d-1}{d}.$$

# Hilbert series and secondary invariants

# Proposition (Cohen-Macaulayness of $R^G$ )

 $x_0^d, \ldots, x_n^d$  is a h.s.o.p of  $R^{\overline{G}}$  and  $R^{\overline{G}}$  is a free  $\mathbb{K}[x_0^d, \ldots, x_n^d]$ -module with a Hironaka decomposition

$$R^{\overline{G}} \cong \bigoplus_{i=0}^{D} \theta_i \mathbb{K}[x_0^d, \dots, x_n^d],$$

where  $\theta_0, \ldots, \theta_D$  are all the monomial invariants  $x_0^{a_0} \cdots x_n^{a_n}$  of G such that  $a_0 < d, \ldots, a_n < d$ .  $\{\theta_0, \ldots, \theta_D\}$  is called a set of secondary invariants of  $\overline{G}$ .

### Corollary (Hilbert series and secondary invariants)

Let  $\delta_0, \ldots, \delta_n$  the sequence of multiplicities of degrees of  $\theta_0, \theta_1, \ldots, \theta_D$ , then

$$\mathsf{HS}(A(X_d), z) = \frac{\delta_n z^n + \dots + \delta_1 z + 1}{(1-z)^{n+1}}$$

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# Hilbert series and secondary invariants

# Corollary

(i) Complete description of the h−vector of A(X<sub>d</sub>) in terms of invariants of G.

(ii) The degree of 
$$X_d$$
 is deg $(X_d) = \frac{d^{n+1}}{|\overline{G}|}$ .

### Example

Take  $G = \langle M_{3;0,1,2} \rangle \subset \mathsf{GL}(3,\mathbb{K})$  a cyclic group of order 3.

$$\begin{array}{lll} \mathcal{B}_1 &=& \left\{ x_0^3, x_1^3, x_2^3, x_0 x_1 x_2 \right\} \\ \mathcal{B}_2 &=& \left\{ x_0^6, x_0^3 x_1^3, x_0^4 x_1 x_2, x_1^6, x_0 x_1^4 x_2, x_0^2 x_1^2 x_2^2, x_0^3 x_2^3, x_1^3 x_2^3, x_0 x_1 x_2^4, x_2^6 \right\}. \end{array}$$

 $x_0^3, x_1^3, x_2^3$  is a h.s.o.p of  $R^{\overline{G}}$  and  $\{x_0x_1x_2, x_0^2x_1^2x_2^2\}$  is a set of secondary invariants of  $\overline{G}$ . We obtain:

$$HS(A(X_3), z) = \frac{z^2 + z + 1}{(1 - z)^3}.$$

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# Homogeneous ideal of $\overline{G}$ -varieties.

$$\mathcal{B}_1 = \{m_1,\ldots,m_{\mu_d}\}, \ S = \mathbb{K}[w_1,\ldots,w_{\mu_d}].$$

### The homogeneous ideal of $X_d$

 $I(X_d)$  is the binomial prime ideal kernel of the morphism

$$\rho: S \to \mathbb{K}[m_1, \ldots, m_{\mu_d}], \quad \rho(w_i) = m_i.$$

It is generated by binomials of degree at least 2:

$$\left\{\prod_{i=1}^{\mu_{n,d}} w_i^{\alpha_i} - \prod_{i=1}^{\mu_{n,d}} w_i^{\beta_i} \mid \prod_{i=1}^{\mu_{n,d}} m_i^{\alpha_i} = \prod_{i=1}^{\mu_{n,d}} m_i^{\beta_i}, \alpha_i, \beta_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}\right\}.$$

### Main objectives

- (i) To determine a minimal set of binomial generators of  $I(X_d)$ .
- (ii) To characterize such generators.
- (iii) Which is the maximum degree  $k \ge 2$  needed to minimally generate  $I(X_d)$ ?

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For each integer  $k \ge 2$ ,  $I(X_d)_k$  denotes the set of binomials in  $I(X_d)$  of degree k, which we call k-binomials.

$$I(X_d) = \sum_{k\geq 2} (I(X_d)_k).$$

#### Theorem

 $I(X_d)$  is generated by binomials of degree at most 3, i.e.

 $\mathsf{I}(X_d) = (\mathsf{I}(X_d)_2, \mathsf{I}(X_d)_3).$ 

**Sharpness**: there are  $\overline{G}$ -varieties in any dimension with  $I(X_d)$  minimally generated by 2 and 3-binomials.

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The normal simplicial affine semigroup of  $X_d$ 

$$A(X_d) \cong R^{\overline{G}} = \mathbb{K}[\mathcal{B}_1] = \mathbb{K}[\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{A}}],$$

where  $H_A$  is the normal simplicial affine semigroup of the  $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{n+1}$ -solutions of the system of congruences associated to  $\overline{G}$ .

### Relative interior ideal

We denote by  $I(\operatorname{relint}(H_A))$  the ideal of  $R^{\overline{G}}$  generated by all monomial invariants  $x_0^{a_0} \cdots x_n^{a_n}$  of  $\overline{G}$  such that  $a_0 > 0, \ldots, a_n > 0$ , i.e.  $(a_0, \ldots, a_n)$  belongs to the relative interior of the affine semigroup  $H_A \subset \mathbb{Z}_{>0}^{n+1}$ .

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# Theorem (Danilov-Stanley)

 $I(relint(H_A))$  is the canonical module of  $\mathbb{K}[H_A]$ .

For each integer  $k \geq 1$ ,  $I(\operatorname{relint}(\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{A}}))_k$  denotes the set of monomials of degree kd in  $I(\operatorname{relint}(\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{A}})) = (x_0^{a_0} \cdots x_n^{a_n} \in R^{\overline{G}} \mid a_0 \cdots a_n \neq 0)$ .

#### Theorem

 $l(relint(H_A))$  is generated by monomial invariants of G of degree d and 2d, i.e.

 $I(\operatorname{relint}(H_{\mathcal{A}})) = (I(\operatorname{relint}(H_{\mathcal{A}}))_1, I(\operatorname{relint}(H_{\mathcal{A}}))_2).$ 

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• To determine when a monomial  $m \in I(\operatorname{relint}(H_A)_2)$  belongs to  $(I(\operatorname{relint}(H_A))_1$  depends strongly on the group G.

# The canonical module

- $A(X_d)$  is a *Gorenstein* ring if  $I(relint(H_A))$  is principal.
- $A(X_d)$  is a *level* ring if  $l(relint(H_A)) = (l(relint(H_A))_1)$  or  $l(relint(H_A))_1 = \emptyset$ .

#### Example

(i) Take  $n \ge 2$  an even integer and  $G = \langle M_{n+1;0,1,2,...,n} \rangle \subset GL(n+1,\mathbb{K})$ a cyclic group of order n+1. Then  $R^{\overline{G}}$  is a Gorenstein ring with

$$I(\operatorname{relint}(H_{\mathcal{A}})) = (x_0 \cdots x_n).$$

(ii) Now we take  $k \ge 2$  an integer and  $G_k = \langle M_{k(n+1);0,1,2,...,n} \rangle \subset GL(n+1,\mathbb{K})$  a cyclic group of order n+1. Then,  $R^{\overline{G}_k}$  is a level ring with

$$I(\operatorname{relint}(H_{\mathcal{A}})) = (I(\operatorname{relint}(H_{\mathcal{A}}))_1).$$

# The Castelnuovo–Mumford regularity

- (i) I(relint(H<sub>A</sub>))<sub>2</sub> ≠ Ø. This assures the existence of secondary invariants of degree (n − 1)d, i.e. δ<sub>n−1</sub> > 0.
- (ii) The monomials in  $I(relint(H_A))_1$  uniquely determine the secondary invariants of  $\overline{G}$  of degree *nd* and vice versa.

$$HS(A(X_d), z) = \frac{\delta_n z^n + \delta_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \cdots + \delta_1 z + 1}{(1-z)^{n+1}}.$$

#### Theorem

For the Castelnuovo–Mumford regularity  $reg(A(X_d))$  of  $A(X_d)$  it holds:

$$n \leq \operatorname{reg}(A(X_d)) \leq n+1$$

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with equality  $\operatorname{reg}(A(X_d)) = n + 1$  if and only if  $I(\operatorname{relint}(H_A))_1 \neq \emptyset$ .

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