

Basic Math - Third lesson

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1 Example of poly GCD computations

Example 1 (First Example). We want to determine the number of roots for $f(x) = x^3 - 6x - 1$.

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F:= x^3 - 6x - 1;
GCDPolySTURMVerbose(F,3x^2 - 6);
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GCD(x^3 - 6x - 1,3x^2 - 6)=GCD(x^3 - 6x - 1,x^2 - 2)
DivPoly(x^3 - 6x - 1,x^2 - 2);
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Passo 1 I have      x^3 - 6x - 1 moltiplico per x
Passo 1 I subtract x^3 - 2x
Passo 1 get      -4x - 1
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Resto=-4x - 1
Quoto=x
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(x^3 - 6x - 1)=(x)*(x^2 - 2)+(-4x - 1)
```

Change the remainder's sign

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GCD(x^2 - 2,4x + 1)
DivPoly(x^2 - 2,4x + 1);
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Passo 1 ho      x^2 - 2 moltiplico per 1/4x
Passo 1 sottraggo x^2 + 1/4x
Passo 1 ottengo      -1/4x - 2
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Passo 2 ho      -1/4x - 2 moltiplico per -1/16
Passo 2 sottraggo -1/4x - 1/16
Passo 2 ottengo      -31/16
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Resto=-31/16
Quoto=1/4x - 1/16
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Change the remainder's sign

$\text{GCD}(4x + 1, 31/16) = \text{GCD}(4x + 1, 1) = 1$

List of pairs $[[x^3 - 6x - 1, 3x^2 - 6], [x^2 - 2, 4x + 1], [4x + 1, 1]]$
remainder Sequence = $[x^3 - 6x - 1, 3x^2 - 6, 4x + 1, 1]$

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p=++++ 0  
q=-++ 3  
#roots=3  
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Exercise 2 (Second Example). We want to determine the number of roots of $f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 3$.

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F:= x^3-3x^2+3;
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GCDPolySTURMVerbose(F,3x^2 - 6x);
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$\text{GCD}(x^3 - 3x^2 + 3, 3x^2 - 6x) = \text{GCD}(x^3 - 3x^2 + 3, x^2 - 2x)$

-- we can see the GCD will be 1, but we need the remainder sequence

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DivPoly(x^3-3x^2+3,x^2 - 2x);
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DivPoly(x^3-3x^2+3,x^2 - 2x);
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Passo 1 ho $x^3 - 3x^2 + 3$ moltiplico per x

Passo 1 sottraggo $x^3 - 2x^2$

Passo 1 ottengo $-x^2 + 3$

Passo 2 I have $-x^2 + 3$ moltiplico per -1

Passo 2 I subtract $-x^2 + 2x$

Passo 2 I get $-2x + 3$

Resto=-2x + 3

Quoto=x - 1

$(x^3 - 3x^2 + 3) = (x - 1) * (x^2 - 2x) + (-2x + 3)$

Change the remainder's sign

```
GCD(x^2 - 2x,2x - 3)
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DivPoly(x^2 - 2x,2x - 3);
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Passo 1 I have $x^2 - 2x$ moltiplico per 1/2x

Passo 1 I subtract $x^2 - 3/2x$

Passo 1 I get $-1/2x$

Passo 2 I have $-1/2x$ moltiplico per -1/4

Passo 2 I subtract $-1/2x + 3/4$

Passo 2 I get -3/4

Resto=-3/4

Quoto=1/2x - 1/4

$$(x^2 - 2x) = (1/2x - 1/4)*(2x - 3) + (-3/4)$$

Change the remainder's sign

$$\text{GCD}(2x - 3, x^2 - 2x, 3/4) = \text{GCD}(2x - 3, x^2 - 2x, 1) = 1$$

$$(2x - 3) = (2x - 3)*(1) + (0)$$

List of pairs $[[x^3 - 3x^2 + 3, 3x^2 - 6x], [x^2 - 2x, 2x - 3], [2x - 3, 1]]$
remainder Sequence = $[x^3 - 3x^2 + 3, 3x^2 - 6x, 2x - 3, 1]$

p=++++

q=-+-

Numero radici 3

2 Root intervals

Proposition 3. Let $f(x) = a_dx^d + \dots + a_1x + a_0 \in \mathbb{R}[x]$. Then if $C = \max(|a_d|, \dots, |a_0|)$

$$|x_0| > d \frac{C}{|a_d|} = M \Rightarrow f(x_0) \neq 0$$

This means that all the roots lie within interval

$$\left(-\frac{Cd}{|a_d|}, \frac{Cd}{|a_d|} \right)$$

Example 4. Consider the polynomial $f(x) = 5x^5 + 2x^3 - 6$. Here $d = 5$ and

$$C = \max(|5|, |2|, |-6|) = 6$$

Then the real roots of the polynomial $f(x)$ lie in the interval

$$\left(-5 \cdot \frac{6}{5}, 5 \cdot \frac{6}{5} \right) = (-6, 6)$$

Example 5. Let $f(x) = 7x^6 - 12x^3 - 5$ and hence $d = 6$ and $C = \max(|7|, |-12|, |-5|) = 12$.

Then the real roots of the polynomial $f(x)$ lie in the interval

$$\left(-6 \cdot \frac{12}{7}, 6 \cdot \frac{12}{7} \right) = \left(-\frac{72}{7}, \frac{72}{7} \right)$$

Since $\frac{72}{7} \simeq 10.28$, to simplify the computations, we can choose a slightly larger interval, $(-11, 11)$.

Proposition 6 (Sturm Algorithm for intervals). Let $f(x) \in \mathbb{R}[x]$, and $f(x), f'(x), r_1(x), \dots, r_n(x)$ the sequence of remainders produced by the Sturm algorithm. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$. Let

- p be the number of sign variation in the sequence $f(a), f'(a), r_1(a), \dots, r_n(a)$.
- q be the number of sign variation in the sequence $f(b), f'(b), r_1(b), \dots, r_n(b)$.

Then the number of roots of $f(x)$ in the interval (a, b) is $|p - q|$.

Remark 7. When we compute the number of sign variations in a sequence, we skip a 0 as non-existent. For example

- the number of sign variations of $[+ + 0 + +]$ is 0;
- the number of sign variations of $[+ + 0 - +]$ is 2;

Remark 8. We want to determine the number of roots and, for every root x_0 , an interval (a, b) in which x_0 is the only root. We compute the number of roots with the Sturm Algorithm. As a byproduct, we have the remainder sequence. We then use the remainder sequence to determine an interval for every root by splitting the interval $(-M, M)$.

Remark 9. Let $f(x) = \in \mathbb{R}[x]$. With the notation of Proposition 3 above,

- the signs of $f(M), f'(M), r_1(M), \dots, r_n(M)$ are the signs of the leading coefficients of $f(x), f'(x), r_1(x), \dots, r_n(x)$
- the signs of $f(-M), f'(-M), r_1(-M), \dots, r_n(-M)$ are the signs of the leading coefficients of $f(x), f'(x), r_1(x), \dots, r_n(x)$ changing the sign for the odd degree polynomials.

Example 10 (First Example). We want to determine the numer of roots and the root intervals for $f(x) = x^3 - 6x - 1$. The details of the STURM Algorithm computations are shown in Example 1.

```
F:= x^3 - 6x - 1;
GCDPolySTURMVerbose(F,Der(F,x));

(x^3 - 6x - 1)=(x)*(x^2 - 2)+(-4x - 1)
(x^2 - 2)=(1/4x - 1/16)*(4x + 1)+(-31/16)
(4x + 1)=(4x + 1)*(1)+(0)
Lista delle coppie  [[x^3 - 6x - 1, 3x^2 - 6], [x^2 - 2, 4x + 1], [4x + 1, 1]]
Record[GCD = 1, Sequence = [x^3 - 6x - 1, 3x^2 - 6, 4x + 1, 1]]
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The 3 roots are in the interval $(-18, 18)$. To separate the roots, we find the number of roots in $(-18, 0)$ and $(0, 18)$. The remainder sequence is $f_1(x) = x^3 - 6x - 1$, $f_2(x) = 3x^2 - 6$, $f_3(x) = 4x + 1$, $f_4(x) = 1$. We split $(-18, 18)$

- $(-18, 0)$. We have

$$f_1(-18) = -5725, f_2(-18) = 966, f_3(-18) = -71, f_4(-18) = 1 \Rightarrow p = 3$$

and

$$f_1(0) = -1, f_2(0) = -6, f_3(0) = 1, f_4(0) = 1 \Rightarrow q = 1$$

and the number of roots in $(-18, 0)$ is $p - q = 2$.

- Since there are 3 roots, the number of roots in $(0, 18)$ is 1. OK

We split $(-18, 0)$

- $(-18, -9)$. We have

$$f_1(-18) = -5725, f_2(-18) = 966, f_3(-18) = -71, f_4(-18) = 1 \Rightarrow p_{-18} = 3$$

and

$$f_1(-9) = -676, f_2(-9) = 237, f_3(-9) = -35, f_4(-9) = 1 \Rightarrow q_{-9} = 3$$

and the number of roots in $(-18, 0)$ is $p - q = 0$.

- Since there are 2 roots in $(-18, 0)$, the number of roots in $(-9, 0)$ is 2, and .

We split $(-18, 0)$

- $(-9, 0)$. We have

$$f_1(-9) = -676, f_2(-9) = 237, f_3(-9) = -35, f_4(-9) = 1 \Rightarrow q_{-9} = 3$$

and

$$f_1(-4) = -676, f_2(-4) = 42, f_3(-4) = -15, f_4(-4) = 1 \Rightarrow q_{-9} = 3$$

and the number of roots in $(-9, 4)$ is $p - q = 0$.

- Since there are 2 roots in $(-9, 0)$, the number of roots in $(-4, 0)$ is 2.

We split $(-18, 0)$

- $(-4, -2)$. We have

$$f_1(-4) = -676, f_2(-4) = 42, f_3(-4) = -15, f_4(-4) = 1 \Rightarrow q_{-9} = 3$$

and

$$f_1(-2) = 3, f_2(-2) = 6, f_3(-2) = -7, f_4(-2) = 1 \Rightarrow q_{-9} = 2$$

and the number of roots in $(-4, 2)$ is $p - q = 1$.

- Since there are 2 roots in $(-4, 0)$, the number of roots in $(-2, 0)$ is 1.

So we have one root each in the intervals $(-4, 2)$, $(-2, 0)$, $(0, 18)$.

3 Homework

Exercise 11 (Second Example). We want to determine the number of roots and the root intervals for $P_1(x) = x^3 - 6x - 1$. The details of the STURM Algorithm computations are shown in Example 2.

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F:= x^3-3x^2+3;
GCDPolySTURMVerbose(F,Der(F,x));

(x^3 - 3x^2 + 3)=(x - 1)*(x^2 - 2x)+(-2x + 3)
(x^2 - 2x)=(1/2x - 1/4)*(2x - 3)+(-3/4)
(2x - 3)=(2x - 3)*(1)+(0)
Lista delle coppie  [[x^3 - 3x^2 + 3, 3x^2 - 6x], [x^2 - 2x, 2x - 3], [2x - 3, 1]]
Record[GCD = 1, Sequence = [x^3 - 3x^2 + 3, 3x^2 - 6x, 2x - 3, 1]]
p=++++ 0
q=-+- 3
Numero radici 3

Big Interval(-3*3,3*3)=(-9,9)

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Subst(V,x,-9); Equal to the STURM p sequence  3
Subst(V,x,0); [3, 0, -3, 1] +-+ 2
In (-9,0) one root, ***** INTERVAL FOUND
so in (0,9) two roots

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In (0,4) two roots
Subst(V,x,0); [3, 0, -3, 1] +0-+ 2
Subst(V,x,4); [19, 24, 5, 1] ++++ 0

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In (0,2) one root
Subst(V,x,0); [3, 0, -3, 1] +0-+ 2
Subst(V,x,2); [-1, 0, 1, 1] -++ 1

So one root in (2,4) *****INTERVAL FOUND
and the other root in (0,2) *****INTERVAL FOUND

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Example 12. We want to determine the root intervals for $P_2(x) = 2x^3 - 6x - 3$.

```

F:= 2x^3-6x-3;
GCDPolySTURMVerbose(F,Der(F,x));

(2x^3 - 6x - 3)=(2x)*(x^2 - 1)+(-4x - 3)
(x^2 - 1)=(1/4x - 3/16)*(4x + 3)+(-7/16)
(4x + 3)=(4x + 3)*(1)+(0)
Lista delle coppie  [[2x^3 - 6x - 3, 6x^2 - 6], [x^2 - 1, 4x + 3], [4x + 3, 1]]
remainder Sequence = [2x^3 - 6x - 3, 6x^2 - 6, 4x + 3, 1]

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Solutions: 3 real roots, $x \simeq -1.38, -0.55, 1.94$.

Exercise 13. We want to determine the root intervals for $P_3(x) = x^3 - 3x - 1$.

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F:= x^3-3x-1;
GCDPolySTURMVerbose(F,Der(F,x));

(x^3 - 3x - 1)=(x)*(x^2 - 1)+(-2x - 1)
(x^2 - 1)=(1/2x - 1/4)*(2x + 1)+(-3/4)
(2x + 1)=(2x + 1)*(1)+(0)
Lista delle coppie  [[x^3 - 3x - 1, 3x^2 - 3], [x^2 - 1, 2x + 1], [2x + 1, 1]]
remainder Sequence = [x^3 - 3x - 1, 3x^2 - 3, 2x + 1, 1]

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Solutions: 3 real roots, $x \simeq -1.53, -0.34, 1.87$.

Exercise 14. We want to determine the root intervals for $P_4(x) = x^5 - 3x^4 + 1$.

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F:= x^5-3x^4+1;
GCDPolySTURMVerbose(F,Der(F,x));

(x^5 - 3x^4 + 1)=(1/5x - 3/25)*(5x^4 - 12x^3)+(-36/25x^3 + 1)
(5x^4 - 12x^3)=(5/36x - 1/3)*(36x^3 - 25)+(125/36x - 25/3)
(36x^3 - 25)=(-36/5x^2 - 432/25x - 5184/125)*(-5x + 12)+(59083/125)
(-5x + 12)=(5x - 12)*(-1)+(0)
Lista delle coppie  [[x^5 - 3x^4 + 1, 5x^4 - 12x^3], [5x^4 - 12x^3, 36x^3 - 25], [36x^3 - 25, -5x
remainder Sequence = [x^5 - 3x^4 + 1, 5x^4 - 12x^3, 36x^3 - 25, -5x + 12, -1]

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Solutions: 3 real roots, $x \simeq -0.72, 0.82, 2.98$.

Exercise 15. We want to determine the root intervals for $P_5(x) = x^4 - x^3 - 1$.

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F:= x^4-x^3-1;
GCDPolySTURMVerbose(F,Der(F,x));

(x^4 - x^3 - 1)=(1/4x - 1/16)*(4x^3 - 3x^2)+(-3/16x^2 - 1)
(4x^3 - 3x^2)=(4/3x - 1)*(3x^2 + 16)+(-64/3x + 16)
(3x^2 + 16)=(3/4x + 9/16)*(4x - 3)+(283/16)
(4x - 3)=(-4x + 3)*(-1)+(0)
Lista delle coppie  [[x^4 - x^3 - 1, 4x^3 - 3x^2], [4x^3 - 3x^2, 3x^2 + 16], [3x^2 + 16, 4x - 3],
remainder Sequence = [x^4 - x^3 - 1, 4x^3 - 3x^2, 3x^2 + 16, 4x - 3, -1]

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Solutions: 2 real roots, $x \simeq -0.81, 1.38$.