

Rep: Λ lattice, $v_1, \dots, v_k \in \Lambda$, lin. independent, $L = \text{lin}(v_1, \dots, v_k)$

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Then there is $v \in \Lambda \setminus L$, $x \in L$ s.t. $d(v, x) \leq d(w, \gamma) \forall w \in \Lambda \setminus L, \gamma \in L$

→ use compactness of a ball around $\overline{w}$ to turn this into a finite problem and enumerate
proof: let $\overline{w} := \overline{w}(v_1, \dots, v_k)$

let $a \in \Lambda \setminus L$ and $r := d(a, \overline{w})$

Then $B_r(a) := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^d \mid d(x, \overline{w}) \leq r\}$
is compact and $(B_r(a) \setminus L) \cap \Lambda$ is finite and not empty

⇒ we can choose $v \in (B_r(a) \setminus L) \cap \Lambda$ and $x \in \overline{w}$ realizing
 $d(v, x) = d(v, \overline{w})$

Let $w \in \Lambda \setminus L, \gamma \in L, \overline{w} := \overline{w}(v_1, \dots, v_k)$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma = \sum \lambda_i v_i = \underbrace{\sum \lambda_i v_i}_{=: z \in \Lambda} + \underbrace{\sum \{\lambda_i\} v_i}_{=: z' \in \overline{w}}$$

$$\text{so } d(w, \gamma) = d(\underbrace{w - z}_{\in \Lambda}, \underbrace{\gamma - z}_{\in \overline{w}})$$

□

With this observation we can continue to construct our lattice basis:

Choose $u_k \in \Lambda \setminus L_{k-1}$ closest to L_{k-1}

Claim: $u_1, \dots, u_k$ is a lattice basis for $L_k \cap \Lambda$

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$k=1: \checkmark$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} k > 1: \text{ Let } v = \sum \mu_i b_i \in L_k \cap \Lambda \\ u_k = \sum \gamma_i b_i \end{array} \right\} \mu_i, \gamma_i \in \mathbb{R}$$

We can assume that $\mu_i, \gamma_i \geq 0$ (flipping does not change distance)

Choose $\ell \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ s.t.

$$v' := v - \ell u_k = \sum_{i=1}^k \mu'_i b_i \quad \text{and} \quad 0 \leq \mu'_k < \gamma_k$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \text{dist}(v', L_{k-1}) &= \text{dist}(\mu'_k b_k, L_{k-1}) \\ &= \mu'_k \text{dist}(b_k, L_{k-1}) \\ &< \gamma_k \text{dist}(b_k, L_{k-1}) \\ &= \text{dist}(u_k, L_{k-1}) \end{aligned}$$

Now $v' \in \Lambda$ and closer to L_{k-1} as $u_k \Rightarrow v' \in \Lambda \cap L_{k-1}$

By induction:

$$v' = \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \lambda_i u_i \quad \text{for } \lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\Rightarrow v = \ell u_k + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \lambda_i u_i \quad \text{generated by } u_1, \dots, u_k$$

This proves

Then Every lattice has a basis.

□

Given two bases B, B' of a lattice,

we can represent each basis vector of B as an integral linear combination of B' and vice versa,
so writing the bases as columns of two matrices B, B' :

$$B = B' \cdot S, \quad B' = B \cdot T \quad \text{with } S, T \text{ integral}$$

$$\Rightarrow B = B T S \quad \rightarrow \quad T S = I, \text{ so } |\det T| = |\det S| = 1$$

This implies that $|\det B| = |\det B'|$

We define

Def. Λ lattice with basis B . Then

$$\det \Lambda := \det B = \text{vol } \Pi(B)$$

is the determinant of Λ

The construction of a basis in the theorem is not unique.

$\hookrightarrow$ given two bases B, B' , can we decide whether $\Lambda(B) = \Lambda(B')$?

We can use more generally any finite set $B = \{b_1, \dots, b_m\} \in \mathbb{R}^d$
to generate $\Lambda(B) := \{ \sum \lambda_i b_i \mid \lambda_i \in \mathbb{Z} \}$

This is not necessarily a lattice (why?)

If $\Lambda(B)$ is a lattice, can we compute a basis?

$\hookrightarrow$ need some kind of normal form (computation)

$\rightarrow$ Hermite normal form (HNF)

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The computation of the HNF is similar to Gauss elimination, but uses unimodular transformations to preserve the lattice.

→ search for unimodular T s.t. we can read off basis for B

What are transformations that preserve the lattice?

(1) multiply column by -1 : $T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & -1 & \\ & & & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$

(2) swap columns i and j :

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & 0 & 1 \\ & & 1 & 0 \\ & & & \ddots \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \leftarrow i \\ \leftarrow j \end{matrix}$$

(3) add k times the j -th column to the i -th column

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & 1 & k \\ & & & \ddots \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow j$$

Def: $H \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times m}$ with full row rank is in Hermite normal form if

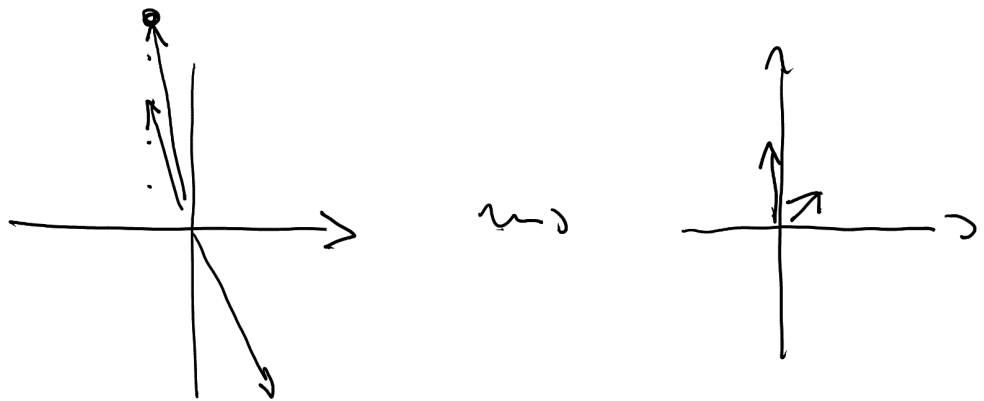
(1) $h_{ij} = 0$ for $j > i$

(2) $0 \leq h_{ij} < h_{ii}$ for $j < i$

Thm: $A \in \mathbb{Q}^{d \times m}$. Then there is a unimodular transformation $T \in \text{GL}(\mathbb{Z})$ s.t. $H = AT$ is in HNF

Example:

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & 2 \\ 5 & 3 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



proof: Let q be the common denominator of the entries of A .

if H is an HNF of qA , then
 $\frac{1}{q}H$ is an HNF for A

$\implies$ it suffices to consider integer matrices A

We now prove this by induction over the rows of A :

Assume A has already the form

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} B & 0 \\ \pi & c \end{pmatrix}$$

with $B \in \mathbb{Z}^{k \times k}$, $k \geq 0$ in HNF

Let $(c_{11}, \dots, c_{1, m-2})$ be the first row of C

With row elementary column transformations we can transform C s.t.

$$(1) \quad c_{11} \geq c_{12} \geq \dots \geq c_{1, m-2} \geq 0$$

$$(2) \quad c := c_{11} + c_{12} + \dots + c_{1, m-2} \text{ is as small as possible}$$

then: $\bullet c_{11} > 0$ as Γ has full row rank

$\bullet c_{12} = 0$ as otherwise we can subtract second from first column (and possibly rows)

$$\Rightarrow c_{12} = c_{13} = \dots = c_{1, m-2} = 0$$

the column operations extend to Γ without affecting β, Γ .

$\hookrightarrow$

$$\Gamma = \begin{bmatrix} \beta & 0 & 0 \\ m & c_{11} & 0 \\ \Gamma & c' & C' \end{bmatrix}$$

$\underbrace{\quad}_{k} \quad \quad \underbrace{\quad}_{k+1}$

we can use $(k+1)$ st column to adjust in s.t. all entries are nonnegative and smaller than c_{11} $\square$

Prop: The HNF of a matrix is unique (no proof)

We can use the HNF to solve several lattice problems:

(1) given any $b_1, \dots, b_m \in \mathbb{Q}^n$, find a lattice basis

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(2) given bases B, B' , check if

$$\Lambda(B) = \Lambda(B')$$

(3) given bases B, B' , find the smallest lattice containing both $\Lambda(B)$ and $\Lambda(B')$

$\hookrightarrow$ compute $\text{HNF}(B|B')$

(4) containment / membership.

B, B' bases : $\Lambda(B') \subseteq \Lambda(B) \Leftrightarrow \text{HNF}(B|B') = \text{HNF}(B)$

$v \in \Lambda(B) : \text{HNF}(B|v) = \text{HNF}(B)$

Remark Efficient computation of the HNF:

Transform first row of C :

(1) swap a column with nonzero first element to first column, make c_{11} positive

(2) for all columns c_j with nonzero first element:

compute $\gcd(c_{11}, c_{1j}) = x c_{11} + y c_{1j}$

Replace first column with

$$x c_1 + y c_j$$

j -th column with

$$\frac{1}{q} (c_{1j} c_1 - c_{11} c_j)$$

Thus: we can compute the HNF in polynomial time $\square$