

# Advanced Robotics

## Lecture 11

# Affine varieties

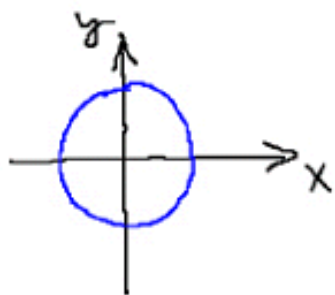
$f_k(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)$  ... algebraic equations

Algebraic variety  $\equiv$  the set of points for which all equations  $f_k$  are satisfied

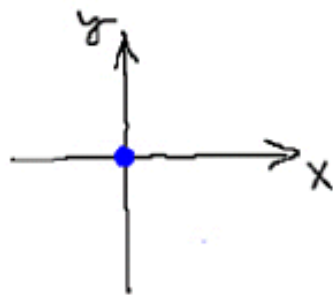
$$V = \{ (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) \mid \underline{f_k(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) = 0}, k = 1, 2, \dots, \} \}$$

Examples:

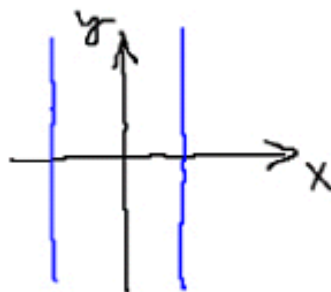
$$\{x^2 + y^2 = 2\}$$



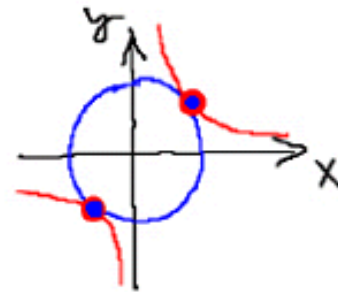
$$\{x^2 + y^2 = 0\}$$



$$\{x^2 = 1\}$$



$$\{x^2 + y^2 = 1, xy = 1\}$$



For solving IKU, we are interested in situations when there is a finite number of solutions  $\equiv$  finite affine varieties

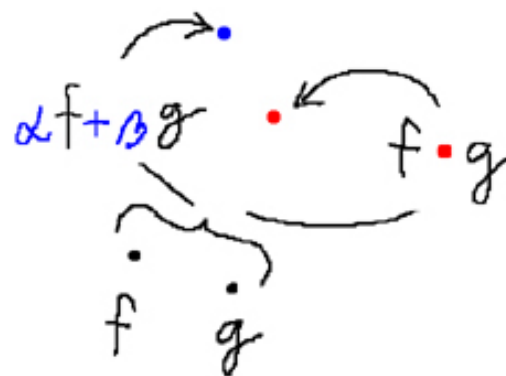
Notice that:

$$1) f(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m) = 0 \ \& \ g \in k[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m] \Rightarrow (f \cdot g)(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m) = 0$$

$$2) f(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m) = 0 \ \& \ g(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m) = 0 \Rightarrow (f + g)(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  there is an **infinite** number of different sets of algebraic equations defining **the same variety**

New "true" equations can be generated by algebraic operations with polynomials



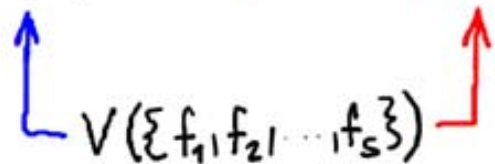
**Ideals:** A subset  $I \subseteq k[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m]$  is an **ideal** if it satisfies:

- (i)  $0 \in I$
- (ii)  $f, g \in I \Rightarrow f + g \in I$
- (iii)  $f \in I$  &  $h \in k[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m] \Rightarrow h \cdot f \in I$

The ideal generated by  
polynomials  $\{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_s\}$

The ideal generated by variety  $V$

$$I(\{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_s\}) \subseteq I(V) \subseteq k[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m]$$



Variety generated by a set of polynomials

## Exercices:

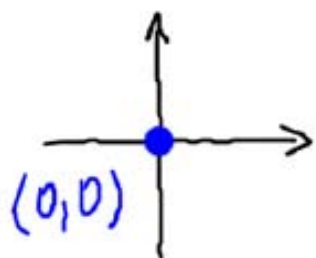
1. Let  $V$  be an affine variety. Prove that

$I(V) = \{f \in k[x_1, \dots, x_n] \mid f(x) = 0, \forall x \in V\}$  is an ideal.

$$I(\{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_s\}) \subseteq I(V) \subseteq k[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m]$$

$\uparrow$   $V(\{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_s\})$   $\uparrow$

Example



$$\{x^2, y^2\}$$

$$V(\{x^2, y^2\}) = \{(0,0)\}$$

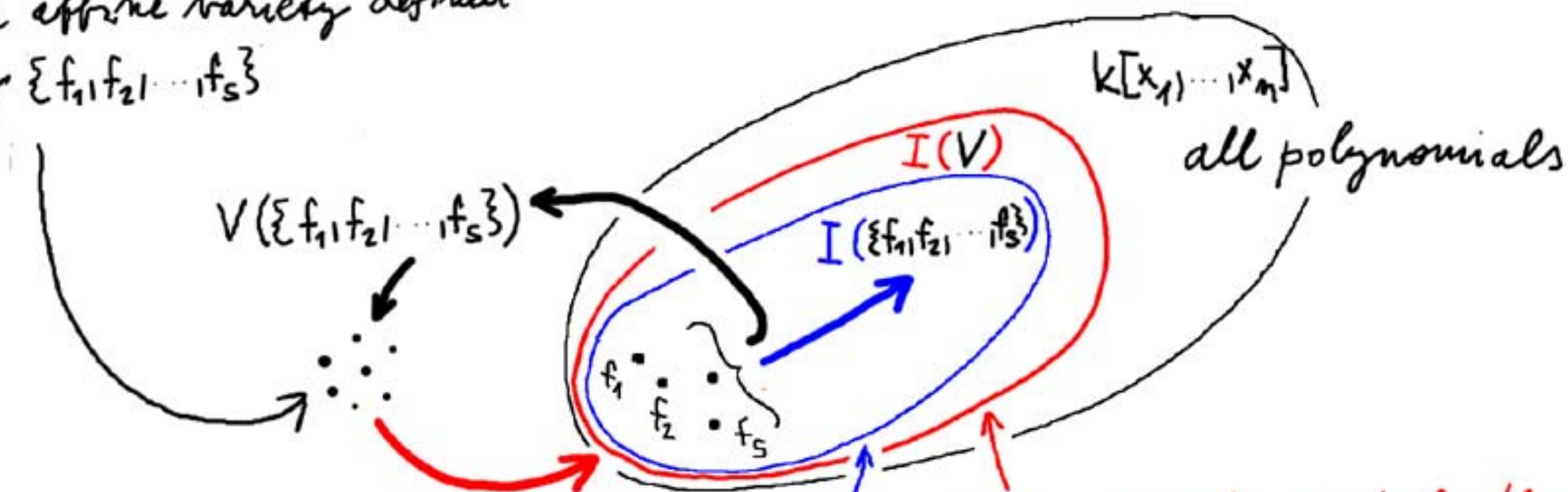
$$I(V(\{x^2, y^2\})) = I(\{x, y\})$$

$$I(\{x^2, y^2\}) \subsetneq I(\{x, y\})$$

because  $x, y \in I(\{x, y\})$  but  $x, y \notin I(\{x^2, y^2\})$

as every  $h_1(x, y)x^2 + h_2(x, y)y^2$  has total degree at least two

the affine variety defined  
by  $\{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_s\}$

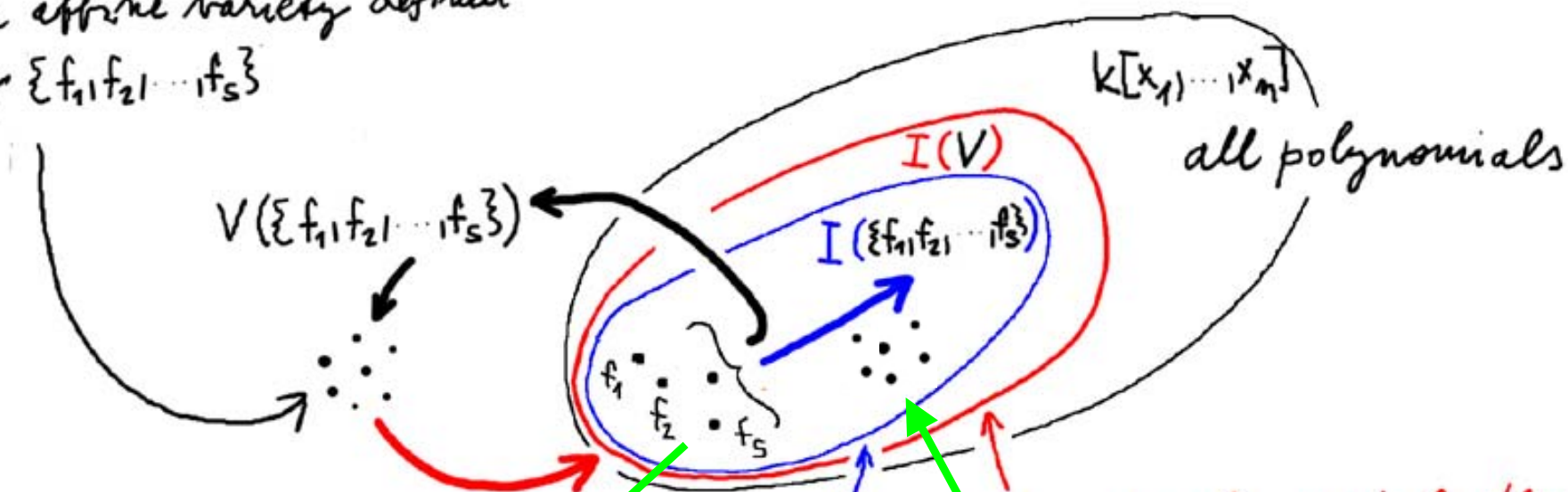


$I(\{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_s\}) \equiv$  all polynomials  
that can be "algebraically"  
generated from  $\{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_s\}$

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Basis:

$$B = \{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_s\}$$

Algebraic

manipulation

Groebner basis w.r.t.  $\langle lex \rangle$ :

$$G = \{g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n\}$$



## Reading the solution out from a Groebner basis

Theorem 3: Let  $G$  be a Groebner basis constructed by the Buchberger algorithm w.r.t.  $x_1 \succ \dots \succ x_m$  from polynomials  $\{f_1, \dots, f_s\} \in \mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_m]$  for which equations  $\{f_i = 0\}_{i=1, \dots, s}$  have a finite number of solutions. Then  $G$  contains a polynomial  $g \in \mathbb{C}[x_m]$ .

There is often even more:

$G$  often consists of a set of polynomials

$$g_n(x_n)$$

$$g_{n-1}(x_n, x_{n-1})$$

$$g_{n-2}(x_n, x_{n-1}, x_{n-2})$$

$$\vdots g_1(x_n, x_{n-1}, x_{n-2}, \dots, x_1)$$

"Division" by more than one polynomial

$$f = 3x^4 - x^2 + 2x \quad , \quad f_1 = x - 1 \quad , \quad f_2 = x^2 + 1$$

$$f = 0 \cdot (x-1) + 0 \cdot (x^2+1) + 3x^4 - x^2 + 2x \quad + \quad 0$$

$$= 3x^3(x-1) + 0 \cdot (x^2+1) + 3x^3 - x^2 + 2x \quad + \quad 0$$

$$= (3x^3 + 3x^2)(x-1) + 0 \cdot (x^2+1) + 2x^2 + 2x \quad + \quad 0$$

$$= (3x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x)(x-1) + 0 \cdot (x^2+1) + 4x \quad + \quad 0$$

$$= \underline{(3x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x + 4)(x-1) + 0 \cdot (x^2+1)} \quad + \quad 4$$

$$= 3x(x^2+1) + 0 \cdot (x-1) \quad - x^2 - x \quad + \quad 0$$

$$= (3x-1)(x^2+1) + 0 \cdot (x-1) \quad - x + 1 \quad + \quad 0$$

$$= \underline{(3x-1)(x^2+1) - 1 \cdot (x-1)} \quad + \quad 0$$

We see that  $f : (f_1, f_2) \neq f : (f_2, f_1) \Rightarrow f : \{f_1, f_2\}$   
not well defined

"Division theorem" for more than one divisor in  $k[x_1, \dots, x_m]$

Let  $>$  be a monomial order on  $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq}^m$  and  $F = (f_1, \dots, f_s)$  an ordered  $s$ -tuple,  $f_i \in k[x_1, \dots, x_m]$ . Then every  $f \in k[x_1, \dots, x_m]$  can be written as

$$f = a_1 f_1 + \dots + a_s f_s + r$$

$a_i, r \in k[x_1, \dots, x_m]$  and either

$r = 0$  or none of the monomials of  $r$  is divisible by any of  $LT(f_1), \dots, LT(f_s)$ .

Furthermore

$$a_i f_i \neq 0 \Rightarrow \text{multideg}(f) \geq \text{multideg}(a_i f_i)$$

$r \equiv$  remainder of  $f$  on division by  $F \dots r = \overline{f}^F$

with the notation  $F = (f_1, \dots, f_s)$

"Division algorithm" for more than one divisor in  $k[x_1, \dots, x_m]$

Input:  $F = (f_1, \dots, f_s)$ ,  $f$  Output:  $a_1, \dots, a_s, r \equiv \overline{f}^F$

$a_1 := a_2 := \dots := a_s := r := 0, p := f$

WHILE  $p \neq 0$  DO

{  $i := 1$

  divisionoccured := FALSE

  WHILE  $i \leq s$  AND divisionoccured = FALSE DO

    { IF  $LT(f_i)$  divides  $LT(p)$  THEN

      {  $a_i := a_i + \frac{LT(p)}{LT(f_i)}$

$p := p - \frac{LT(p)}{LT(f_i)} \cdot f_i$

      divisionoccured := TRUE }

    ELSE {  $i := i + 1$  } }

  IF divisionoccured = FALSE THEN

    {  $r := r + LT(p)$

$p := p - LT(p)$  }

}

Proof as for 1 variable  
degree  $\rightarrow$  multidegree  
 $r \rightarrow p$

## Example

$$x \succ_{lex} y \quad f = xy^2 + x + 1, \quad f_1 = xy + 1, \quad f_2 = y + 1$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ (1,2) & (1,0) & (0,0) \end{array}, \quad \begin{array}{cc} \downarrow & \downarrow \\ (1,1) & (0,0) \end{array}, \quad \begin{array}{cc} \downarrow & \downarrow \\ (0,1) & (0,0) \end{array}$$

$$f = y(xy + 1) + \underset{\substack{\downarrow \\ (1,0)}}{x} - \underset{\substack{\downarrow \\ (0,1)}}{y} + \underset{\substack{\downarrow \\ (0,0)}}{1} = y(xy + 1) - \underset{\substack{\downarrow \\ a_2}}{1}(y + 1) + \underbrace{x + 2}_{\substack{\downarrow \\ r}}$$

$$f = \underbrace{0}_{a_1} \cdot f_1 + \underbrace{0}_{a_2} \cdot f_2 + \underbrace{xy^2 + x + 1}_p + \underbrace{0}_r$$

$$= y \cdot f_1 + 0 \cdot f_2 + x - y + 1 + 0$$

$$= y \cdot f_1 + 0 \cdot f_2 - y + 1 + x$$

$$= y \cdot f_1 - 1 \cdot f_2 + 2 + x$$

$$= y \cdot f_1 - 1 \cdot f_2 + x + 2$$

Example:

$$f = xy^2 - x \quad f_1 = xy + 1 \quad f_2 = y^2 - 1$$

$$\succ_{\text{lex}}, \quad x \succ_{\text{lex}} y$$

$$a) \quad f : (f_1, f_2)$$

$$xy^2 - x = \underbrace{y}_{a_1} (xy + 1) + \underbrace{0}_{a_2} \cdot (y^2 - 1) + \underbrace{(-x - y)}_r$$

$$b) \quad f : (f_2, f_1)$$

$$xy^2 - x = \underbrace{x}_{a_1} (y^2 - 1) + \underbrace{0}_{a_2} \cdot (xy + 1) + \underbrace{0}_r$$

The order of polynomials in  $F$  matters