

Multi-Rees Algebras of Strongly Stable Ideals

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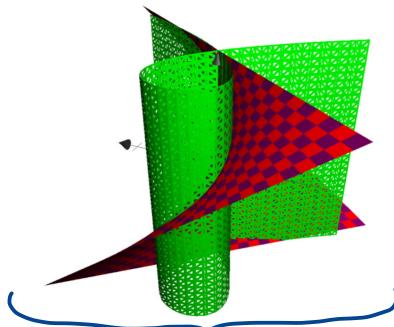
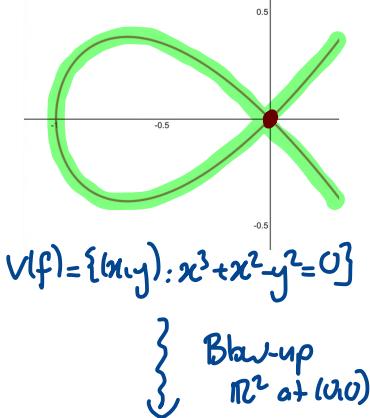
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Rees Algebra of \mathcal{I}



$\text{Proj}(R(\mathcal{I}))$

• $\mathcal{I} = (x, y)$

• $S = k[x, y]/(x^3 + x^2 - y^2)$

• $R(\mathcal{I}) = S[u, v]/(xv - yu)$

Multi-Rees Algebras

- ▶ S : commutative ring
- ▶ I_1, \dots, I_r collection of ideals
- ▶ The multi-Rees algebra of I_1, \dots, I_r is defined as

$$R(I_1 \oplus \dots \oplus I_r) = \bigoplus_{a_1, \dots, a_r \geq 0} I_1^{a_1} \cdots I_r^{a_r} t_1^{a_1} \cdots t_r^{a_r} \subseteq S[t_1, \dots, t_r]$$

* it is also the Rees algebra of the module $I_1 \oplus \dots \oplus I_r$

Defining Ideal of the Multi-Rees Algebra

- I_1, \dots, I_r collection of monomial ideals in $S = \mathbb{k}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$
- $I_i = \langle \underbrace{u_{i,1}, \dots, u_{i,s_i}}_{\text{same degree}} \rangle$ and $\mathcal{G} = \bigcup_{i=1}^r \{u_{i,j} : 1 \leq j \leq s_i\}$
- Consider the S -algebra homomorphism
$$\varphi: S[T_{i,j} : u_{i,j} \in \mathcal{G}] \longrightarrow S[t_1, \dots, t_r] \\ T_{i,j} \mapsto u_{i,j}t_i$$
- $R(I_1 + \dots + I_r) \cong S[T_{i,j}] / \ker \varphi \rightsquigarrow \text{defining ideal of the Rees algebra}$
- Special (multi)-fiber ring: $F(I_1 + \dots + I_r) = R(I_1 + \dots + I_r) \otimes_S \mathbb{k}$
 $\rightsquigarrow \text{defining ideal } \mathcal{J} = \ker \varphi' \text{ where } \varphi' = \varphi|_{\mathbb{k}}$.

Main Question

- ▶ Find implicit equations for the defining ideals of the multi-Rees algebra and its special fiber ring
 $(\mathcal{I} = \text{Ker } \varphi \text{ and } \mathcal{J} = \text{Ker } \varphi')$
- ▶ Side question: investigate Koszulness
~~~ Need to focus on special classes of ideals

## Strongly Stable Ideals

- A monomial ideal  $I \subseteq S = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  is called strongly stable if for each monomial  $m \in I$ , we have

$x_j \frac{m}{x_i} \in I$  whenever  $x_i$  divides  $m$  and  $j < i$ .

### Borel move

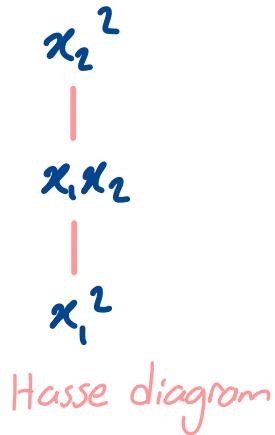
$$m \rightarrow x_j \frac{m}{x_i}$$

for  $x_i \mid m$  and  $j < i$

- example:  $S = k[x_1, x_2]$

$I_1 = \langle x_1^2, x_1x_2, x_2^2 \rangle$  strongly stable

$I_2 = \langle x_1^2, x_2^2 \rangle$  not strongly stable



### Borel generators

monomials on top  
of the Hasse diagram

$I_1 = B(x_2^2)$   
Borel generated

## Our Strategy-

- ▶ Given a collection of strongly stable ideals  $I_1, \dots, I_r$   
focus on three parameters:

- $r$ : number of ideals
- $g_i$ : number of Borel generators
- $d_i$ : degrees of Borel generators of  $I_i$  where  $d_i = \deg(u_{i,j})$   
for  $I_i = \langle u_{i,1}, \dots, u_{i,s_i} \rangle$

## What is known? (Rees world $\hookrightarrow r=1$ )

- [DeNegri, 99]  $F(I)$  is Koszul when  $g=1$ .
- [Herzog-Hibi-Vlăduț, 2005]  $R(I)$  is of fiber type for  $r=1$ .  
 $(I = J + (\text{relations of the symmetric algebra}))$
- [Conca-DeNegri, early 90's] Consider  $I = B(x_1^3x_3^3, x_2^6, x_1^2x_2^2x_3^2)$ .  
 $T_{x_1^3x_3^3}^2 T_{x_2^6} - T_{x_1^2x_2^2x_3^2}^3$  is a minimal generator of  $J$
- $\leadsto F(I)$  is not always Koszul when  $g \geq 3$ .
- [DiPasquale-Francisco-Mermin-Schweig-Sosa, 2018]  $R(I)$  is Koszul for  $g=2$ .

(Multi-Rees World  $\hookrightarrow r \geq 1$ )

Multi-Rees algebra and its special fiber ring are Koszul

- [Lin-Pollini, 2013] powers of the maximal ideal
- [Susa, 2014] principal strongly stable ideals satisfying an "ordering condition"
- [DiPasquale-Jabbar Nezhad, 2020] principal strongly stable

## Our Results [K-Lin-Sosa, 2021]

(1) The multi-Rees algebra of strongly stable ideals is of fiber type.

If  $G$  is a Gröbner basis of  $\mathcal{I}$ , then

$$G \cup \{x_i T_u - x_j T_v : i \leq j, u, v \in I_k \text{ and } x_i u = x_j v\}$$

is a Gröbner basis of  $\mathcal{I}$ .

(2) We found examples in the spirit of Conca-De Negri to eliminate classes of strongly stable ideals.

$$r \geq 3, g_1 \geq 2, d_1 \geq 2$$

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Potential Collection of Strongly Stable Ideals  
 whose multi-Rees algebras are always Koszul

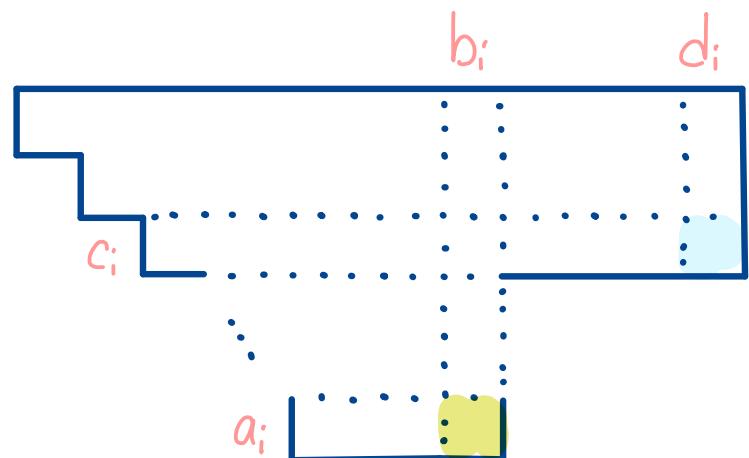
| $r$ : # of ideals | $g_i$ : # of Borel generators                  | $d_i$ : degrees of Borel gens.   |
|-------------------|------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| $r = 2$           | $g_1 = g_2 = 2$                                | $2 \leq d_1 \leq d_2 \leq 3$     |
| $r > 2$           | $g_1 = \dots = g_{r-2} = 1, g_{r-1} = g_r = 2$ | $2 \leq d_{r-1} \leq d_r \leq 3$ |
| $r \geq 2$        | $g_1 = \dots = g_{r-1} = 1, g_r \leq 2$        | anything                         |

(3)  $R(I_1 \oplus I_2)$  is Koszul when  $g=d=2$

[ $I_1$  and  $I_2$  are strongly stable ideals with two quadratic Borel generators.]

$$I_1 = B(x_{a_1}x_{b_1}, x_{c_1}x_{d_1})$$

$$I_2 = B(x_{a_2}x_{b_2}, x_{c_2}x_{d_2})$$



$$c_i \leq a_i \leq b_i \leq d_i \text{ for } i=1,2$$

## Key Ideas and Tools

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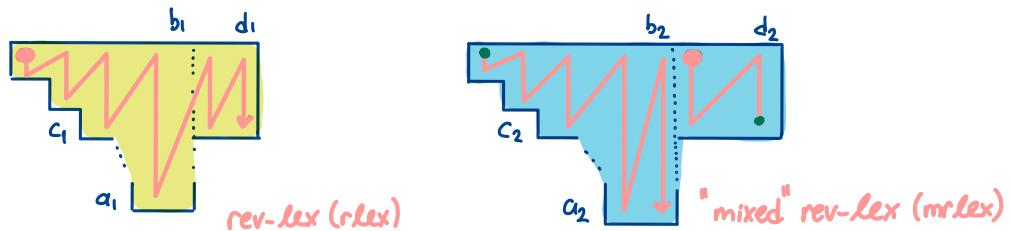
► Recall the toric map  $\varphi^!: \mathbb{k}[T_u, z_v : u \in G(I_1), v \in G(I_2)] \rightarrow S[t, z]$

$$T_u \mapsto ut$$

$$z_v \mapsto vz$$

► We find a quadratic Gröbner basis of  $\mathcal{I} = \text{Ker } \varphi^!$  wrt to " $\succ_{ht}$ " (head and tail order)

► variable order on R:



$$T_{11} > T_{12} > T_{22} > \dots > T_{c_1 d_1} > z_{1 b_2 + 1} > z_{2 b_2 + 1} > \dots > z_{c_2 d_2} > z_{11} > \dots > z_{a_2 b_2}$$

► term order: rev-lex on R induced by this variable order

Gröbner basis:  $G = G_1 \cup G_2 \cup G_3$  is a Gröbner basis of  $\tilde{J}$  wrt " $\succeq_{\text{nt}}$ " order where

- $G_1 = \left\{ \underline{T_u T_v} - T_{u^1} T_{v^1} : uv = u^1 v^1 \text{ and } u, v \succ_{\text{rlex}} v^1 \right\}$  GB of  $\tilde{J}(I_1)$  wrt  $\succeq_{\text{rlex}}$
- $G_2 = \left\{ \underline{Z_u Z_v} - Z_{u^1} Z_{v^1} : uv = u^1 v^1 \text{ and } u, v \succ_{\text{mlex}} v^1 \right\}$  GB of  $\tilde{J}(I_2)$  wrt  $\succeq_{\text{mlex}}$
- $G_3 = \left\{ \underline{T_u Z_v} - T_{u^1} Z_{v^1} : uv = u^1 v^1 \text{ and } v \succ_{\text{mlex}} v^1 \right\}$

Fiber graphs:  $\Gamma_\mu(I_1, I_2)$ : fiber graph of  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  at  $\mu$  wrt  $G$ .  $(\mu \in S[t, z])$

►  $\Gamma_\mu(I_1, I_2)$  is a directed graph with  $\varphi: R \rightarrow S[t, z]$

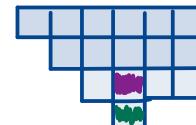
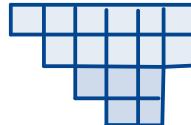
- vertices: monomials  $V \in R$  s.t.  $\varphi(V) = \mu$

- edges:  $V \rightarrow V'$  if  $V'$  is a one step reduction of  $V$  wrt  $G$ .

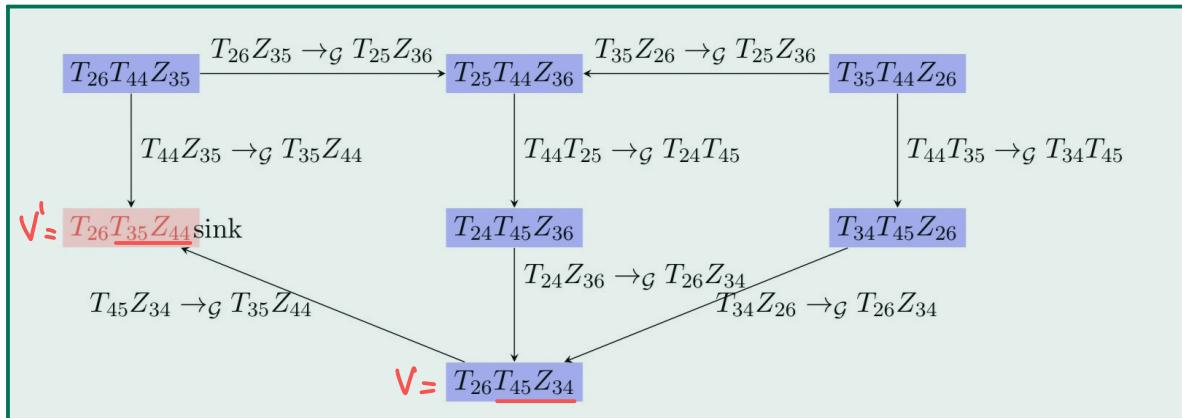
example:

$$\mathcal{I}_1 = \mathcal{B}(x_4x_5, x_2x_6) \text{ and } \mathcal{I}_2 = \mathcal{B}(x_4^2, x_3x_6)$$

$$M = x_2x_3x_4^2x_5x_6 + x_2^2$$



$\Gamma_M(\mathcal{I}_1, \mathcal{I}_2)$ :



►  $V \rightarrow V'$  b/c  $T_{45}Z_{34} - T_{35}Z_{44} \in G_3$  b/c  $x_3x_4 \succ_{\text{mrlex}} x_4^2$

## Why fiber graphs?

The collection of (marked) binomials  $G$  is a Gröbner basis of  $\tilde{J}$   
if and only if

$\Gamma_\mu(I_1, I_2)$  is either empty or has a unique sink for every multidegree  $\mu$ .

(Proved in different contexts by different groups)

## Concluding Remarks

- ▶ What about remaining classes of SS ideals from our list?
- ▶ Fiber graphs efficient/useful in higher degrees?
- ▶ What about normalness, CMness?

# Thanks!

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## Examples

(1)

$$I_1 = \mathcal{B}(x_3^2 x_6^a, x_1 x_5 x_6^a), \quad I_2 = \mathcal{B}(x_3^2 x_6^b, x_2 x_4 x_6^b), \quad I_3 = \mathcal{B}(x_2 x_4 x_6^c, x_1 x_5 x_6^c),$$

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syzygy

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(2)

$$I_1 = \mathcal{B}(x_1^2 x_3^2 x_4^a, x_1 x_2^2 x_3 x_4^a), \quad I_2 = \mathcal{B}(x_1^2 x_3^2 x_4^b, x_2^4 x_4^b)$$

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(3)

$$I_1 = \mathcal{B}(x_1 x_3, x_2^2), \quad I_2 = \mathcal{B}(x_1^2 x_3^2 x_4^a, x_2^4 x_4^a)$$

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$$\text{← } (x_1 x_3)^2 (x_2^4 x_4^a) = (x_2^2)^2 (x_1^2 x_3^2 x_4^a)$$

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