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# Gröbner Bases of Ideals Invariant under a Commutative Group: the Non-Modular Case

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## ABSTRACT

We propose efficient algorithms to compute the Gröbner basis of an ideal  $I \subset k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  globally invariant under the action of a commutative matrix group  $G$ , in the non-modular case (where  $\text{char}(k)$  doesn't divide  $|G|$ ). The idea is to simultaneously diagonalize the matrices in  $G$ , and apply a linear change of variables on  $I$  corresponding to the base-change matrix of this diagonalization. We can now suppose that the matrices acting on  $I$  are diagonal. This action induces a grading on the ring  $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ , compatible with the degree, indexed by a group related to  $G$ , that we call  $G$ -degree. The next step is the observation that this grading is maintained during a Gröbner basis computation or even a change of ordering, which allows us to split the Macaulay matrices into  $|G|$  submatrices of roughly the same size. In the same way, we are able to split the canonical basis of  $R/I$  (the staircase) if  $I$  is a zero-dimensional ideal. Therefore, we derive *abelian* versions of the classical algorithms  $F_4$ ,  $F_5$  or FGLM. Moreover, this new variant of  $F_4/F_5$  allows complete parallelization of the linear algebra steps, which has been successfully implemented. On instances coming from applications (NTRU crypto-system or the Cyclic- $n$  problem), a speed-up of more than 400 can be obtained. For example, a Gröbner basis of the Cyclic-11 problem can be solved in less than 8 hours with this variant of  $F_4$ . Moreover, using this method, we can identify new classes of polynomial systems that can be solved in polynomial time.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Solving multivariate polynomial systems is a fundamental problem in Computer Algebra, since algebraic systems can arise from many applications (cryptology, robotics, biology, physics, coding theory, etc...). One method to solve such systems is based on Gröbner basis theory. Efficient algorithms to compute Gröbner bases have been proposed, for instance Buchberger's algorithm [1] and Faugère's  $F_4$  or  $F_5$  [4, 5]. If the system has only a finite number

of solutions the usual strategy is to compute a Gröbner basis for the DRL ordering, and then perform a change of ordering to obtain a Gröbner basis for the lexicographic ordering with the FGLM algorithm [10]. However, problems coming from applications are often highly structured: in several algebraic problems the set of solutions (the algebraic variety) is invariant under the action of a finite group. The underlying algebraic problem is to compute the variety  $V(I)$  associated to an ideal  $I \subseteq k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  that is *globally* stable under a finite matrix group  $G \subset \text{GL}_n(k)$ , which means that  $\forall f \in I \quad \forall A \in G \quad f^A \in I$ . If all the equations are invariant under the action of the group, several approaches have been proposed to solve the system while taking the symmetries into account. In [2] Colin proposes to use invariants [19] to solve the system. This method is very efficient if the Hironaka Decomposition of the ring of invariants is simple, but for the Cyclic- $n$  problem [12] for example, it seems better to use a second method based on SAGBI Gröbner Basis techniques [7]. However, it remains an open issue to solve efficiently the system in the general case. In the biology problem [6] or in the physics problem [9], an approach has been proposed if the group  $G$  is the symmetric group or copies of the symmetric group (elements of the form  $(\sigma, \dots, \sigma) \in \mathfrak{S}_m^j$  with  $mj = n$ .)

**MAIN RESULTS.** We present efficient algorithms together with complexity analysis to solve polynomial systems which are *globally invariant* under the action of any *commutative* group  $G$ . The algorithms are based on three main ideas: first, since the group  $G$  is commutative, it is possible to diagonalize the group  $G$ , assuming that the characteristic of the field  $k$  and  $|G|$  are coprime. Thus, up to some linear change of variables, we obtain an ideal  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$  invariant under a diagonal group  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$  isomorphic to  $G$ .

The second idea is to introduce a grading on  $R = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  given by the group  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ . This grading exists for every finite group  $H$  and is indexed on  $X(H)$ , the set of irreducible linear representations of the group  $H$ . The decomposition  $R = \bigoplus_{\chi \in X(H)} R_{\chi}$  is known as the decomposition of  $R$  into *isotypic components* (see [17]). In our case, since  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$  is diagonal, the set  $X(G_{\mathcal{G}})$  is isomorphic to  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$  and the isotypic components are generated by monomials. Therefore, we introduce the notion of  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree of a polynomial: assuming that  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$  is generated by diagonal matrices  $\text{Diag}(\beta_{i,1}, \dots, \beta_{i,n})$  of order  $q_i$  with  $q_1 | q_2 | \dots | q_\ell = e$  and that  $\beta$  is a primitive  $e$ -root of 1, we say that a polynomial  $f \in k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  is  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous of  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree  $(d_1, \dots, d_\ell) \in \mathbb{Z}_{q_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}_{q_\ell}$  if  $f(\beta_{i,1}x_1, \dots, \beta_{i,n}x_n) = \beta^{d_i \frac{e}{q_i}} f(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  for all  $i$ . Notice that the action of diagonal groups on polynomials has been used in invariant theory or to speed up Gröbner basis computation in [17, 19, 18, 13]. However, to the best of our knowledge, the impact of such a grading on the complexity of Gröbner bases has not been studied.

Taking into account that the operation of taking the  $S$ -polynomial preserves this grading, the final idea is to observe that this can be used to speed up the Gröbner basis computation. More precisely, Macaulay matrix can be decomposed into  $|G_{\mathcal{G}}|$  smaller *in-*

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dependent matrices, being roughly the same size. In particular, this allows us to split the matrices arising in classical Gröbner basis algorithms based on linear algebra like Macaulay/Lazard algorithm [15],  $F_4$  [4] or  $F_5$  [5]. Therefore, the complexity (in time and in memory) of computing Gröbner bases of such invariant ideals can be decreased in both, theory and practice. In the same way, in the case of a zero-dimensional ideal  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$ , the canonical basis of the ring  $R/I_{\mathcal{G}}$  can also be decomposed in monomials having same  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree and thus we are able to split the multiplication matrices arising in FGLM.

In addition, this grading can be used to transform very easily a globally invariant problem into a problem for which all the equations are  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous: we show that for each original equation  $f$  we can take the  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous components of  $f$ .

We have implemented, in the computer algebra system Magma, “abelian” versions of the  $F_5$  and  $FGLM$  algorithms that run several times faster, compared to the same implementation of these classical algorithms. For example, applying FGLM on the Cyclic-10 problem (a system with 34940 solutions), instead of computing 10 multiplication matrices of size 34940, our algorithm computes 900 quasi-square matrices of size at most 348.

In order to compare similar implementations, we have implemented an “abelian” version of  $F_4$  [4] in FGb (C language): computing a Gröbner basis of the Cyclic-10 problem is about 410 times faster with the new approach. Moreover, a grevlex Gröbner basis for the Cyclic-11 problem (184756 solutions) can be computed in less than 8 hours. We also demonstrate that our approach has a significant impact in other fields: NTRU is a well known cryptosystem and the underlying problem can easily be modeled by quadratic equations which are left globally invariant by the action of a cyclic group. We observe a factor of 250 in favor of the new approach for small size problems and more importantly we can solve previously untractable problems. Surprisingly, during these experiments, the linear algebra parts (that is building the matrices and the gaussian elimination parts) can sometimes be so accelerated that the management of the list of critical pairs becomes the most time-consuming part whereas it is usually negligible.

More generally, the algorithms given in this paper can also be used for other kinds of structured polynomial systems like quasi-homogeneous or multi-homogeneous polynomials. Hence we now have a systematic and uniform approach to solve those structured problems. Several further developments can be made on the subject: the Abelian- $F_5$  and Abelian-FGLM algorithms have to be implemented in C, and it seems possible to obtain a parallelized version of the Abelian-FGLM algorithm. We have already identified new classes of invariant problems which can be solved in polynomial time; for other classes of problems the degree reached during the Gröbner basis computation is much lower than expected and it would be very useful to compute explicitly the Hilbert Series of ideals invariant under a diagonal group.

The organization of the paper is as follows: in section 2, we recall classical notations and explain the relations between the ideals  $I$  and  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$ , and the matrix groups  $G$  and  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ . In section 3, we explain the grading induced by the diagonal matrix group  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ , and introduce the notion of  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree of monomials and polynomials. The vector space generated by all monomials having same  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree is nothing else than an *isotypic component* ([17]) but since the formulation is simpler in the case of a diagonal group, we introduce the notion of  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree of monomials and  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous polynomials. Sections 4 and 5 provide variants of the  $F_5$  and FGLM algorithms. The complexity questions are answered in section 6, and benchmarks are made in section 7.

## 2. LINEAR CHANGE OF VARIABLES

### 2.1 Frequently used notations

From now on we assume that  $G$  is a finite commutative subgroup of  $GL_n(k)$ , the set of square matrices with coefficients in a field

$k$  of characteristic 0 or  $p$  such that  $p$  and  $|G|$  are coprime.  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$  will be used to denote a diagonal matrix group, conjugated to  $G$ .  $R_k = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  is the ring of polynomials with coefficients in  $k$ . In the following, we will have to consider a finite simple extension of  $k$  that will be denoted  $K = k(\xi)$ . The set of monomials of  $R_k$  (or  $R_K$ ) will be denoted  $\mathcal{M}$ . We fix an admissible monomial ordering  $\preceq$  on the set of monomials (only admissible orderings are allowed, for a precise definition, we refer to [3] p. 53). For a given degree  $d$ ,  $\mathcal{M}_d$  will be the set of all monomials in  $R$  of degree  $d$ . For a polynomial in  $R$ ,  $LC(f)$  (resp  $LM(f)$ ,  $LT(f)$ ) denotes the leading coefficient (resp leading monomial, leading term) in  $f$ . We have the relation  $LT(f) = LC(f)LM(f)$ .

### 2.2 Action of $GL_n(k)$ on $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ . Invariant rings.

This subsection describes the basic properties of the action of  $GL_n(k)$  on polynomials. We recall that  $G$  is a finite subgroup of  $GL_n(k)$ . Let  $X$  be the column vector whose entries are  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ . For  $f$  a polynomial in  $R$  and  $A \in G$ , let  $f^A$  be the polynomial obtained by substituting the components of  $A.X$  to  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ . Since  $(f^A)^B = f^{AB}$ , we obtain an action of  $G$  on  $R$ . Let  $R_d$  be the vector space of all homogeneous polynomials of degree  $d$ . Then  $R = \bigoplus_{d=0}^{\infty} R_d$  and we observe that the action of  $G$  preserves the homogeneous components.

**Definition 1** We denote by  $R^G$  the set of invariant polynomials, that means polynomials invariant under the action of  $G$ :  $f^A = f$  for every  $A$  in  $G$ .

Although we won’t work exclusively in the ring  $R^G$  of invariant polynomials, we will use several known properties of this set, especially in the complexity section.

**Example 1** The symmetric group  $\mathfrak{S}_n$  can be embedded in  $GL_n(k)$ , and  $R^{\mathfrak{S}_n}$  is nothing else than the set of the so called symmetric polynomials. Let  $C_n$  be the subgroup of  $\mathfrak{S}_n$  generated by the  $n$ -cycle  $\sigma = (12 \dots n)$ .  $C_n$  is a cyclic group of order  $n$ , embedded in  $GL_n(k)$  and generated by  $M_{\sigma}$ .

For example if  $n = 3$  then  $x_1^2x_2 + x_2^2x_3 + x_3^2x_1$  belongs to  $R^{C_n} \setminus R^{\mathfrak{S}_n}$ .

### 2.3 From commutative group to diagonal group

This subsection presents one of the main ideas of the paper, although it is very simple. We recall some well known facts about commutative matrix groups.

**Theorem 1** Any finite commutative group is uniquely isomorphic to a product  $\mathbb{Z}/q_1\mathbb{Z} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}/q_{\ell}\mathbb{Z}$  with  $q_1 | \dots | q_{\ell}$ .

**Definition-Proposition 1** Following the notations of the previous theorem, the integer  $e = q_{\ell}$  is called the exponent of the group and is the lowest common multiple of the orders of the elements of the group.

**Theorem 2** Let  $G$  be a finite commutative matrix group, and  $e$  be its exponent. Let  $\xi$  be a primitive  $e$ -th root of 1, in an extension of  $k$  and  $K = k(\xi)$ . The subgroup  $G$  is diagonalizable over  $K$ , meaning that there exists a matrix  $P$  in  $GL_n(K)$ , such that the group  $G_{\mathcal{G}} = P^{-1}GP = \{P^{-1}AP \mid A \in G\}$  is a diagonal group.

**PROOF.** Every matrix  $A \in G$  satisfies the polynomial  $X^e - 1$ , which fully splits in  $K$  and has simple roots since  $\text{char}(k) \nmid |G|$ , so every matrix of  $G$  is diagonalizable, and it is well known that a commutative set of diagonalizable matrices is codiagonalizable.  $\square$

**Example 2** Let  $k$  be any field of characteristic 0 or coprime with  $n$ . Then if we denote  $K = k(\xi)$  where  $\xi$  is a primitive  $n$ -root of 1 in an extension of  $k$ , then the cyclic group  $C_n$  defined in example 1 is diagonalizable with the base-change matrix  $P = (\xi^{ij})_{i,j \in \{1, \dots, n\}}$ . The matrix associated to the cycle  $(1 \dots n)$  becomes the diagonal matrix  $D_{\sigma} = \text{diag}(\xi, \dots, \xi^{n-1}, 1)$ .

**Definition 2** Let  $I$  be an ideal in  $R_k = k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ .  $I$  is said to be stable under the action of  $G$  ( $G$ -stable) if:  $\forall f \in I, \forall A \in G \quad f^A \in I$

**Proposition 1** Let  $I$  be a  $G$ -stable ideal, and let  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$  and  $P$  be the diagonal group and the base-change matrix obtained in theorem 2. Then  $I_{\mathcal{D}} = K \otimes_k \{f^P, f \in I\}$  is an ideal of  $R_K$  stable under  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ . If  $I = \langle f_1, \dots, f_m \rangle_{R_k}$ , then  $I_{\mathcal{D}} = \langle f_1^P, \dots, f_m^P \rangle_{R_K}$ .

**Example 3** To illustrate the definition, we will use the well known Cyclic- $n$  problem. The ideal  $I$  of  $R_k$  is generated by:

$$\begin{cases} h_1 = x_1 + \dots + x_n \\ h_2 = x_1x_2 + x_2x_3 + \dots + x_nx_1 \\ \vdots \\ h_{n-1} = x_1x_2 \dots x_{n-1} + x_2 \dots x_nx_1 + \dots + x_nx_1 \dots x_{n-2} \\ h_n = x_1x_2 \dots x_{n-1}x_n - 1 \end{cases}$$

The ideal  $I$  is obviously invariant under the cyclic group  $C_n$ , since each  $h_i$  satisfies  $h_i^{M_{\sigma}} = h_i$  and is also stable under the scalar matrix  $\xi I_n$  with  $\xi$  a primitive  $n$ -root of 1, since  $h_i^{\xi I_n} = \xi^i h_i$ . The group  $G$  is generated by  $M_{\sigma}$  and  $\xi I_n$ . With  $P$  the matrix given in example 2,  $G_{\mathcal{D}} = P^{-1}GP$ , generated by  $D_{\sigma}$  and  $\xi I_n$ , is a diagonal group isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ . We denote by  $f_i$  the polynomials  $h_i^P$ , which generate  $I_{\mathcal{D}}$ : for instance,  $f_1 = 3x_3, f_2 = -3x_1x_2 + 3x_3^2, f_3 = x_1^3 + x_2^3 + 3x_1x_2x_3 + x_3^3 - 1$  when  $n = 3$ . It is easy to prove that for the Cyclic- $n$  problem, the polynomial  $f_1$  is always equal to  $nx_n$ .

### 3. GRADING INDUCED BY A DIAGONAL MATRIX GROUP

In this section, we define the  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -degree of a monomial where  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$  is a diagonal matrix group. This  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -degree induces a grading of  $R_K$  given by the isomorphism  $G_{\mathcal{D}} \simeq \prod \mathbb{Z}/q_i\mathbb{Z}$ .

#### 3.1 $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -degree of monomials

Let  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$  be a diagonal group of  $GL_n(K)$ , with diagonal coefficients in  $\mathbb{U}_e = \{\xi^0, \xi^1, \dots, \xi^{e-1}\}$ , with  $e$  the exponent of  $G$  and  $\xi$  a primitive  $e$ -root of 1, as defined in the previous section. Let  $\phi$  be an isomorphism

$$\phi: \begin{pmatrix} G_{\mathcal{D}} & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{Z}/q_1\mathbb{Z} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}/q_t\mathbb{Z} \\ D & \longmapsto & \phi(D) \end{pmatrix}$$

and let  $D_i$  be the preimage of  $(0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$ , so  $D_i$  generates a subgroup of  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$  of cardinality  $|q_i|$ .

**Example 4** With  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$  the group arising in the previous example 3, we take  $\phi$  such that  $\phi(D_{\sigma}) = (1, 0) \in \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\phi(\xi I_n) = (0, 1)$ .

**Proposition 2** For every monomial  $m \in \mathcal{M}$  and for each  $i$ , there exists a unique  $\mu_i \in \{0, \dots, q_i - 1\}$  such that  $m^{D_i} = \xi^{\frac{\mu_i}{q_i}} m$ .

PROOF. Let  $m = \prod x_j^{\alpha_j}$  and  $D_i = \text{Diag}(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n)$ . Since  $D_i$  has order  $q_i$ , the coefficients  $\beta_j$  are  $q_i$ -roots of 1, so can be denoted  $\xi^{\frac{\ell_j}{q_i}}$ . Then

$$m_i^D = (\beta_1 x_1)^{\alpha_1} \times \dots \times (\beta_n x_n)^{\alpha_n} = \left( \prod \beta_j^{\alpha_j} \right) m = \xi^{\frac{e}{q_i} \sum \ell_j \alpha_j} m$$

Then we can take  $\mu_i = \sum \ell_j \alpha_j \mod q_i$ . Since  $\xi$  has order  $e$ ,  $\xi^{\frac{e}{q_i}}$  has order  $q_i$  and the unicity of  $\mu_i$  is clear.  $\square$

Instead of considering  $\mu_i$  in  $\{0, \dots, q_i - 1\}$ , we take  $\mu_i$  in  $\mathbb{Z}/q_i\mathbb{Z}$ , which makes sense since  $\xi^{\frac{e}{q_i}}$  has order  $q_i$ .

**Definition 3** The  $k$ -tuple  $(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_k) \in \prod \mathbb{Z}/q_i\mathbb{Z}$  is said to be the  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -degree of  $m$  and is denoted  $\deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(m)$ , although it depends on the choice of the matrices  $D_i$  (more exactly, the choice of  $\phi$ ). We denote by  $\hat{G} = \prod \mathbb{Z}/q_i\mathbb{Z}$  the set of all  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -degrees.

**Remark 1** It is yet unclear that every  $\mu \in \hat{G}$  is the  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -degree of some monomial. This will be proved in the complexity section.

**Proposition 3** Since  $\deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(m) + \deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(m') = \deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(mm')$  for all  $m, m' \in \mathcal{M}$ ,  $R$  can be graded by  $R = \bigoplus_{g \in \hat{G}} \text{Vect}(\mathcal{M}_g)$ , where  $\mathcal{M}_g$  is the set of monomials of  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -degree  $g$ .

PROOF. Let  $i \in \{1, \dots, k\}$ ,  $m, m' \in \mathcal{M}$  and  $\mu_i, \mu'_i$  such that  $m^{D_i} = \xi^{\frac{e}{q_i} \mu_i} m$  and  $m'^{D_i} = \xi^{\frac{e}{q_i} \mu'_i} m'$ . Then  $(mm')^{D_i} = \xi^{\frac{e}{q_i} (\mu_i + \mu'_i)} mm'$ . It follows that the  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -degree verifies  $\deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(mm') = \deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(m) + \deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(m')$  for all monomials  $m, m' \in \mathcal{M}$  and  $\deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}$  is a monoid morphism between  $\mathcal{M}$  and  $\hat{G}$  since  $\deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(1) = (0, \dots, 0)$ ,  $\square$

**Remark 2** If we denote by  $\mathcal{M}_{d,g}$  the set of monomials of degree  $d$  and  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -degree  $g$ ,  $\mathcal{M}_{d,g} \cdot \mathcal{M}_{d',g'} \subseteq \mathcal{M}_{d+d',g+g'}$  for all  $d, d', g, g'$ . Therefore  $R = \bigoplus_{d \in \mathbb{N}, g \in \hat{G}} \text{Vect}(\mathcal{M}_{d,g})$ .

Notice that for computing  $\deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(m)$  with  $m = \prod x_i^{\alpha_i}$ , we just have to know  $\deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(x_i)$  since  $\deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(m) = \sum \alpha_i \deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(x_i)$ . This grading will be used to reduce the sizes of the matrices in the Diagonal- $F_5$  algorithm.

**Example 5** Let  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$  be the matrix group generated by the diagonal matrix  $D_{\sigma} = \text{Diag}(\xi, \xi^2, 1)$  where  $\xi$  is a primitive third root of 1. Each  $x_i$  has  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -degree  $i \mod 3$ , so  $m = \prod x_j^{\alpha_j}$  has  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -degree  $\sum j \alpha_j \mod 3$ . Hence,  $x_1x_2x_3$  (resp.  $x_1x_2^2$ ) has  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -degree 0 (resp. 2).

**Example 6** (cont. of example 3) The  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -degree of  $x_i$  is  $(i, 1)$ .

#### 3.2 $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -homogeneous polynomials

In this subsection, we define the notion of  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -homogeneity. The cornerstone of the Abelian- $F_5$  algorithm (section 4) is that the  $S$ -polynomial of two  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -homogeneous polynomials is  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -homogeneous, which will be proved in theorem 3.

**Definition 4** A polynomial  $f$  in  $R_K$  is said to be  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -homogeneous if all monomials of  $f$  share the same  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -degree  $(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_k) \in \hat{G}$ . In this case, we set  $\deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(f) = \deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(LM(f))$ .

**Proposition 4** If  $f$  is  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -homogeneous and  $m$  is a monomial, then  $mf$  is  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -homogeneous. Moreover,  $\deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(mf) = \deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(m) + \deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(f)$ .

PROOF. For any monomial  $\tilde{m}$  of  $f$ ,  $\deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(\tilde{m}m) = \deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(\tilde{m}) + \deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(m) = \deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(f) + \deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(m)$ , so all monomials of  $mf$  share the same  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -degree  $\deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(f) + \deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(m) = \deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(mf)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3** Let  $f, g$  be two  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -homogeneous polynomials of  $R_K$ . The  $S$ -polynomial of  $(f, g)$ , defined by

$$S(f, g) = \frac{LM(f) \vee LM(g)}{LM(f)} f - \frac{LM(f) \vee LM(g)}{LM(g)} \frac{LC(f)}{LC(g)} g$$

is  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -homogeneous of  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -degree  $\deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(LM(f) \vee LM(g))$ . ( $LM(f) \vee LM(g)$  denotes the lowest common multiple of  $LM(f)$  and  $LM(g)$ .)

PROOF. Since  $LM(f)$  and  $LM(g)$  divide  $LM(f) \vee LM(g)$ , both fractions  $\frac{LM(f) \vee LM(g)}{LM(f)}$  and  $\frac{LM(f) \vee LM(g)}{LM(g)}$  are monomials, therefore by previous proposition,  $\frac{LM(f) \vee LM(g)}{LM(g)} \frac{LC(f)}{LC(g)} g$  and  $\frac{LM(f) \vee LM(g)}{LM(f)} f$  are  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -homogeneous. Moreover, they share the same leading monomial, so they have same  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -degree, which is the  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -degree of  $S(f, g)$ . We actually proved that  $\deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(S(f, g)) = \deg_{G_{\mathcal{D}}}(LM(f) \vee LM(g))$ .  $\square$

**Example 7** Following example 3, it appears that each  $f_i$  has  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$ -degree  $(0, i) \in \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$  under  $G_{\mathcal{D}}$  generated by  $D_{\sigma}$  and  $\xi I_n$ .

### 3.3 $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous ideals

In this subsection,  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$  is a diagonal group, and  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$  is a  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -stable ideal generated by  $f_1, \dots, f_m$ . A Gröbner basis computation preserves the  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree, but the polynomials  $f_i$  are not necessarily  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous. Our aim here is to prove that the  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous components of the  $f_i$  are in  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$ , and so to compute a Gröbner basis of  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$ , we take the  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous components of generators of  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$  as inputs. This operation has a negligible cost since at each degree  $d$ , the abelian- $F_5$  algorithm (presented in the next section) separates the set  $\mathcal{M}_d$  into subsets  $\mathcal{M}_{d,g}$  of same  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree  $g$ .

**Definition 5** An ideal  $J$  of  $R_K$  is said to be  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous if for any polynomial  $f \in J$ , its  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous components are also in  $J$ .

**Theorem 4** An ideal is  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous if and only if it is  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -stable.

It is obvious that a  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous ideal is  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -stable. To prove the other implication, we will first prove a lemma.

**Lemma 1** Let  $f \in I_{\mathcal{G}}$ , and  $D \in G_{\mathcal{G}}$ , then the  $\langle D \rangle$ -homogeneous components of  $f$  are in  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$ , where  $\langle D \rangle$  is the subgroup generated by  $D$ .

PROOF. Let  $q$  be the order of  $D$  in  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ , and  $\xi_D = \xi^{\frac{D}{q}}$ . Then, all diagonal coefficients of  $D$  are powers of  $\xi_D$ .  $f$  can be written  $\sum_{j=0}^{q-1} f_j$ , with  $f_j^D = \xi_D^j f_j$ ; in other words, the  $f_j$  are the  $\langle D \rangle$ -homogeneous components of  $f$ . Let  $X_f = {}^t(f_0, f_1, \dots, f_{q-1})$ ,  $V = (\xi_D^{ij})_{0 \leq i, j \leq q-1}$ , and  $Y_f = VX_f$ . Since  $f_j^D = \xi_D^{ij} f_j$ , the column vector  $Y_f$  is equal to  ${}^t(f, f^D, \dots, f^{D^{q-1}})$ . Since  $f \in I_{\mathcal{G}}$  and  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$  is  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -stable, all components of  $Y_f$  belong to  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$ . But  $V$  is a VanDerMonde invertible matrix, so the components of  $X_f$  are obtained from  $Y_f$  by linear combinations, and the  $f_j$  belong to  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$ .  $\square$

PROOF. We now prove theorem 4 by induction on  $\ell$  where  $G \simeq \mathbb{Z}/q_1\mathbb{Z} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}/q_\ell\mathbb{Z}$ : the case  $\ell = 1$  is the lemma. Now assume that  $\ell \geq 2$  and let  $D_i$  be the matrices generating  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$  as defined in section 2. Let  $f \in I_{\mathcal{G}}$ . By the lemma, the  $\langle D_\ell \rangle$ -homogeneous components of  $f$  are in  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$ . Denote by  $\tilde{G}_{\mathcal{G}}$  the subgroup of  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$  generated by  $D_1, \dots, D_{\ell-1}$ , then  $\tilde{G}_{\mathcal{G}} \simeq \mathbb{Z}/q_1\mathbb{Z} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}/q_{\ell-1}\mathbb{Z}$ , and  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$  is also  $\tilde{G}_{\mathcal{G}}$ -stable, and by induction the  $\tilde{G}_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous components of each  $\langle D_\ell \rangle$ -homogeneous component of  $f$  are in  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$ , but they are exactly the  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous components of  $f$ .  $\square$

**Remark 3** In representation theory, the  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous components of a polynomial in  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$  are the images of the projections onto each isotypic component. [17]

**Example 8** Let  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$  be the diagonal group of order 2 generated by the matrix  $\text{diag}(-1, 1)$ , acting on  $R = k[x_1, x_2]$ . Suppose that  $x_1^3 x_2 + x_1^2 x_2^2 - x_1 + 1 \in I_{\mathcal{G}}$ , with  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$  a  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -stable ideal. Then since  $\deg_{G_{\mathcal{G}}}(x_i) = i \pmod 2$ ,  $\deg_{G_{\mathcal{G}}}(x_1^3 x_2) = \deg_{G_{\mathcal{G}}}(x_1) = 1$  and  $\deg_{G_{\mathcal{G}}}(1) = \deg_{G_{\mathcal{G}}}(x_1^2 x_2^2) = 0$ , so  $x_1^3 x_2 - x_1$  and  $x_1^2 x_2^2 + 1$  belong to  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$ .

## 4. ABELIAN- $F_5$ ALGORITHM

Now, we are able to describe the Abelian- $F_5$  algorithm, which is a variant of  $F_5$  that takes advantage of the action of the abelian group  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ . As usual,  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$  is a  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -stable ideal, with  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$  a diagonal group isomorphic to  $\hat{G}$ , the set of  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degrees. Let  $f_1, \dots, f_m$  be  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous polynomials generating  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$  (according to theorem 4). All computation of the reduced Gröbner basis of  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$  would implicitly use the grading  $R = \bigoplus_{g \in \hat{G}} R_g$  since it computes  $S$ -polynomials. There exist several versions of the  $F_5$ -algorithm (see [7, 5]), we present here a variant of the matrix version. The  $F_5$ -algorithm constructs matrices degree by degree. At a fixed degree  $d$ , it constructs  $m$  matrices of the form  $M_{d,i}$  for each  $i$  between

1 and  $m$ , and performs row reduction on them to obtain  $\tilde{M}_{d,i}$ . In the homogeneous case,  $\tilde{m}_1, \dots, \tilde{m}_v$  are all monomials of degree  $d$ , whereas in the affine case, they are all monomials of degrees between 0 and  $d$ . For the sake of simplicity, we assume that all polynomials  $f_i$  are homogeneous. The rows are indexed by couples of the form  $m_{\mu} f_j$ , the matrix  $M_{d,i}$  is deduced from the

matrix  $\tilde{M}_{d,i-1}$  by adding all rows  $m_{\mu} f_i$  with  $m_{\mu}$  describing the set of monomials of degree  $d - \deg(f_i)$ , except monomials removed by the  $F_5$ -criterion (see [7, 5]). The key of the Abelian- $F_5$  algorithm is the following: the polynomials  $f_i$  are  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous, and also the polynomials  $m_{\mu} f_i$ . Therefore, the only non-zero coefficients of the row indexed by  $m_{\mu} f_i$  are on columns indexed by monomials having same  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree. So, instead of building one Macaulay matrix  $M_{d,i}$ , we will construct  $|\hat{G}|$  matrices  $M_{d,i,g}$ , for all  $g \in \hat{G}$ .

Abelian- $F_5$ (homogeneous-case)
Input: The set $\hat{G}$ of $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degrees, homogeneous and $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous polynomials $(f_1, \dots, f_m)$ with degrees $d_1 \leq \dots \leq d_m$ and a maximal degree $D$ . Output: the elements of degree at most $D$ of a Gröbner basis of $(f_1, \dots, f_m)$ for $i = 1, \dots, m$ .
<pre> <b>for</b> <math>i</math> <b>from</b> 1 <b>to</b> <math>m</math> <b>do</b> <math>\mathcal{G}_i := \emptyset</math> <b>end for</b> <b>for</b> <math>d</math> <b>from</b> <math>d_1</math> <b>to</b> <math>D</math> <b>do</b>   <b>for</b> <math>g</math> <b>in</b> <math>\hat{G}</math> <b>do</b>     <math>M_{d,0,g} := \emptyset, \tilde{M}_{d,0,g} := \emptyset</math>     <b>for</b> <math>i</math> <b>from</b> 1 <b>to</b> <math>m</math> <b>do</b>       <b>case</b>         <math>d &lt; d_i</math> <math>M_{d,i,g} := \tilde{M}_{d,i-1,g}</math>         <math>d = d_i</math> <b>if</b> <math>g = \deg_{G_{\mathcal{G}}}(f_i)</math> <b>then</b>           <math>M_{d,i,g} :=</math> add new row <math>f_i</math> to <math>\tilde{M}_{d,i-1,g}</math> with index <math>(i, 1)</math>           <b>else</b>             <math>M_{d,i,g} := \tilde{M}_{d,i-1,g}</math>           <b>end if</b>         <math>d &gt; d_i</math> <math>M_{d,i,g} :=</math> add new row <math>m \cdot f_i</math> for all monomials <math>m</math> of degree <math>d - d_i</math> with <math>\deg_{G_{\mathcal{G}}}(m) = g - \deg_{G_{\mathcal{G}}}(f_i)</math> that do not appear as leading monomials in the matrix <math>\tilde{M}_{d-d_i, i-1, g - \deg_{G_{\mathcal{G}}}(f_i)}</math> to <math>\tilde{M}_{d,i-1,g}</math> with index <math>(i, m)</math>.       <b>end case</b>       Compute <math>\tilde{M}_{d,i,g}</math> by Gaussian elimination from <math>M_{d,i,g}</math>.       Add to <math>\mathcal{G}_i</math> all rows of <math>\tilde{M}_{d,i,g}</math> not reducible by LM(<math>\mathcal{G}_i</math>).     <b>end for</b>   <b>end for</b> <b>end for</b> <b>return</b> <math>\mathcal{G}_1, \dots, \mathcal{G}_m</math> </pre>

Notice that all the loops on  $g \in \hat{G}$  are independent, so at each degree  $d$ , it is possible to parallelize on  $|\hat{G}|$  different processors to speed up the computations. Assuming that the degrees of the primary invariants are relatively prime, we will see in the complexity section 6 that the number of monomials of  $\mathcal{M}_d$  having same  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree is almost the same for all  $g$ . In the affine case, we will prove without any assumption that the monomials of degree between 0 and  $d$  are evenly distributed on  $\hat{G}$ . These considerations allow us to bound the complexity of the computation of a Gröbner basis on such ideals, and we will verify that in practice they make an improvement on the timings (see section 7).

## 5. ABELIAN-FGLM ALGORITHM

In this section, we explain how to take advantage of the  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -grading to speed up the change of ordering, using a variant of the classical FGLM algorithm [10]. We suppose that  $\dim(I_{\mathcal{G}}) = 0$ , and that a Gröbner basis  $\mathcal{G}_{\preceq_1}$  for an ordering  $\preceq_1$  (for instance the DRL ordering) of the ideal  $I_{\mathcal{G}} \subset R_K$  has already been computed, and we are interested in computing the Gröbner basis of  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$  for an other ordering  $\preceq_2$  (for example, the lexicographical ordering). In this section,  $\text{Deg}(I_{\mathcal{G}})$  will denote the degree of  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$ , defined by the dimension of  $R/I_{\mathcal{G}}$ . The idea of both FGLM and Abelian-FGLM algorithms is to pick up monomials  $m$  in  $\mathcal{M}$  by increasing order

for  $\preceq_2$ , and look for linear combinations in  $R/I_{\mathcal{G}}$  between the Normal Forms  $\text{NF}(m, \mathcal{G}_{\preceq_1})$ . To this end, these algorithms use linear algebra: we first compute the staircase

$$\mathcal{E} = \{m \in \mathcal{M} \mid m \text{ not reducible by } \text{LM}(\mathcal{G}_{\preceq_1})\}$$

The elements of  $\mathcal{E}$  form a basis of  $R/I_{\mathcal{G}}$ , which has dimension  $\text{Deg}(I_{\mathcal{G}})$ , the degree of  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$ . Since  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$  is  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous, this staircase can be splitted in  $|\mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{G}}|$  parts, and we will denote by  $\mathcal{E}_g$  the set of monomials in  $\mathcal{E}$  having  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree  $g$ . As in the FGLM-algorithm, we use the linear maps given by the multiplication by one variable  $x_i$  in  $R/I_{\mathcal{G}}$ . The main difference lies in the following proposition:

**Proposition 5** *Let  $f$  be a  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous polynomial, and  $\mathcal{G}_{\preceq_1}$  be the Gröbner basis of the ideal  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$  for  $\preceq_1$ . Then  $\text{NF}(f, \mathcal{G}_{\preceq_1})$  is  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous and has same  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree as  $f$ .*

**PROOF.** We have seen that being  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous is a property stable under  $S$ -polynomials operations, so  $\text{NF}(f, \mathcal{G}_{\preceq_1})$  is  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -homogeneous. Moreover the only operations used in a Normal-Form computation are of the form  $\tilde{f} \leftarrow f - \lambda mh$  with  $h \in \mathcal{G}_{\preceq_1}$ ,  $\lambda \in K$  and  $m$  a monomial such that  $\text{LM}(h) \times m$  is equal to some monomial in  $f$ , so  $\text{deg}_{G_{\mathcal{G}}}(f) = \text{deg}_{G_{\mathcal{G}}}(\tilde{f})$ .  $\square$

Diagonal-FGLM algorithm

**Input:** Multiplication matrices  $M_{i,g}$ , the sub-staircases  $\mathcal{E}_g$ , an ordering  $\preceq_2$   
**Output:** The Gröbner basis of  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$  for  $\preceq_2$ .

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$L := [(1, \hat{0}, n), (1, \hat{0}, n-1), \dots, (1, \hat{0}, 1)]$  // list of 3-uples  $(j, g, i)$  symbolizing the monomials  $S_g[j] \times x_i$ , ordered by increasing order.  
 $S_g := []$  for  $g \in \hat{G} \setminus \{\hat{0}\}$  and  $S_{\hat{0}} = [1]$ . // subsets of the staircase  $\mathcal{S}$  for the ordering  $\preceq_2$  having same  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree.  
 $V_g := []$  for  $g \in \hat{G} \setminus \{\hat{0}\}$  and  $V_{\hat{0}} = [^t(1, 0, \dots, 0)]$ . //  $V_g$  contains the expressions of  $\text{NF}(S_g[j], \mathcal{G}_{\preceq_1})$  in  $\mathcal{E}_g$ , each vector in  $V_g$  has  $n_g$  components.  
 $G := []$  // The Gröbner basis for  $\preceq_2$   
 $Q_g := I_{n_g}$  for all  $g \in \hat{G}$ .

**Do**  
 $m := \text{first}(L)$  and remove  $m$  from  $L$ .  
 $j := m[1]; g' := m[2]; i := m[3]; g := g' + \text{deg}_{G_{\mathcal{G}}}(x_i)$   
 $v := M_{i,g'} V_{g'}[j]$  // components of  $\text{NF}(x_i S_{g'}[j], \mathcal{G}_{\preceq_1})$  in  $\mathcal{E}_g$   
 $s := \#S_{g'}$  // number of elements in  $S_{g'}$ .  
 $\lambda = ^t(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{n_g}) := Q_g v$   
**if**  $\lambda_{s+1} = \dots = \lambda_{n_g} = 0$  **then**  
 $G := G \cup [m - \sum_{j=1}^s \lambda_j \cdot S_g[j]]$   
**else**  
 $S_g := S_g \cup [S_{g'}[j] \times x_i]$   
 $V_g := V_g \cup [v]$   
 $L := \text{Sort}(L \cup [(s+1, g, i) \mid i = 1, \dots, n], \preceq_2)$   
Remove duplicates from  $L$   
**Update**  $(Q_g, \lambda, v)$  // Now  $Q_g v = ^t(0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$   
**end if**  
Remove from  $L$  all multiples of  $\text{LM}_{\preceq_2}(G)$   
**if**  $L = \emptyset$  **then return**  $G$  **end if**

Therefore, if  $m$  has  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree  $g$ ,  $\text{deg}_{G_{\mathcal{G}}}(x_i m) = \text{deg}_{G_{\mathcal{G}}}(x_i) + g$  and  $\text{NF}(x_i m, \mathcal{G}_{\preceq_1})$  is of same  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree. The map of multiplication by  $x_i$  in  $\text{Vect}(\mathcal{E})$  can be splitted into the following maps:

$$\begin{aligned} M_{i,g} : \text{Vect}(\mathcal{E}_g) &\longrightarrow \text{Vect}(\mathcal{E}_{g+\text{deg}_{G_{\mathcal{G}}}(x_i)}) \\ f &\longmapsto \text{NF}(x_i f, \mathcal{G}_{\preceq_1}) \end{aligned}$$

The Diagonal-FGLM algorithm needs the matrices of multiplication  $M_{i,g}$  and proceeds just like FGLM-algorithm: a new monomial to consider (except 1) is of the form  $m = x_i m'$ , with  $m' \preceq_2 m$ . Assume that  $\text{deg}_{G_{\mathcal{G}}}(m') = g'$ , so we already know the expression of  $\text{NF}(m', \mathcal{G}_{\preceq_1})$  in terms of  $\mathcal{E}_{g'}$ , which is a vector  $V'$ . It follows that  $\text{NF}(m, \mathcal{G}_{\preceq_1})$  is computed by the product  $V = M_{i,g'} V'$ . Then we have

to decide if  $m$  belongs to the new staircase in construction  $\mathcal{S}$  or if it is the leading monomial of a polynomial of the Gröbner basis for  $\preceq_2$ . To this end, we use base-change matrices  $Q_g$  between  $\mathcal{E}_g$  and  $\mathcal{S}_g$ , the subsets of the staircases having same  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree  $g$ . If  $s$  is the number of elements of the staircase  $\mathcal{S}_g = \{u_1 \preceq_2 \dots \preceq_2 u_s\}$  at the current point of the algorithm, and  $V_i$  the vectors corresponding to  $\text{NF}(u_i, \mathcal{G}_{\preceq_1})$ , then  $Q_g V_i$  is equal to the  $i$ -th vector of the canonical basis. Since the matrix  $Q_g$  is invertible, if all the components but the  $s$  first ones of  $QV$  are zero, then we deduce a new element of the Gröbner basis  $\mathcal{G}_{\preceq_2}$ , otherwise  $m$  is a new element of  $\mathcal{S}_g$  and we have to update  $Q_g$ , to map  $V$  on the  $(i+1)$ -th element of the canonical basis. We can now give the pseudocode of the Diagonal-FGLM algorithm, here  $\hat{0}$  means the  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree  $(0, \dots, 0)$ . We suppose that  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  is the set of variables, with  $x_n \preceq_2 x_{n-1} \preceq_2 \dots \preceq_2 x_1$ , and denote by  $n_g$  the number of elements in  $\mathcal{E}_g$ . Notice that with  $\text{deg}_{G_{\mathcal{G}}}(x_i) = \hat{0}$  for each  $i$ , we recover the standard FGLM algorithm.

**Remark 4** *According to a point of view of representation theory, the sub-staircases  $\mathcal{E}_g$  and  $\mathcal{S}_g$  can be seen as two distinct bases of an isotypic component of the representation  $R/I_{\mathcal{G}}$ .*

## 6. COMPLEXITY QUESTIONS

In this section, we discuss the arithmetic complexity of the algorithms presented before. This complexity will be counted in terms of operations in  $K = k(\xi)$ .

**Remark 5** [18] *A very interesting case is when  $\xi$  belongs to  $k$ , so  $K = k$ . Assume that  $k$  is the finite group  $\mathbb{F}_p$  with  $p$  prime. Then  $\xi \in k \iff X^e - 1$  splits on  $k \iff \mathbb{Z}/e\mathbb{Z} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}/(p-1)\mathbb{Z} \iff p \equiv 1[e]$  By Dirichlet's theorem, there are infinitely many such primes and the distribution of such primes is  $1/\varphi(e)$ , where  $\varphi$  is the Euler's totient function. To compute the Gröbner basis of an ideal over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , it is more efficient to compute modulo some such primes and use modular methods to recover the original Gröbner basis.*

We start by giving without proof a bound on the cost of the two first linear steps:

**Proposition 6** *The cost of the diagonalization of the matrix group  $G$  is bounded by  $O((q_1 + \dots + q_k)n^{\omega})$ , with  $\omega$  the constant of linear algebra. With  $m$  polynomials  $f_i$  of degree less or equal than  $d$ , the cost of computing the  $f_i^p$  is bounded by  $O(\binom{n+d}{d} ndm \log d \log \log d)$ .*

### 6.1 Dimensions of the subspaces $R_{d,g}$

#### 6.1.1 General facts about the ring of invariants

The first object we are interested in is the ring of invariants  $R^{G_{\mathcal{G}}}$ , with  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$  the diagonal matrix group. Notice that we consider the invariants in a theoretical point of view to obtain complexity bounds, so we don't have to compute them. In this paragraph, we recall some well known facts about  $R^G$ , without any assumption on  $G$ , excepted that  $G$  is a finite matrix group of  $GL_n(K)$ ,  $\text{char} K$  doesn't divide  $|G|$ , and  $G$  is diagonalizable on  $K$ . We follow the presentation of [19]. Although Sturmfels works on  $\mathbb{C}$ , the results can be easily extended since the characteristic polynomials of matrices in  $G$  fully split on  $K$ .

**Theorem 5** [19] *The invariant ring  $R_K^G$  is Cohen-Macaulay : there exist a set of  $n$  homogeneous polynomials  $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n$  and  $t$  other invariant polynomials  $\eta_1, \dots, \eta_t$  such that  $R_K^G = \bigoplus_{i=1}^t \eta_i \mathbb{K}[\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n]$ .*

The set of polynomials  $\theta_i$  is called a set of *primary invariants* of  $G$  and the set of  $\eta_j$  a set of *secondary invariants* of  $G$ . A consequence of the previous theorem is the following proposition

**Proposition 7** [19] *The Hilbert (Molien) series of the ring  $R_K^G$  is*

$$H(R_K^G, z) = \sum_{d=0}^{\infty} z^d \dim(R_{K,d}^G) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^t z^{\text{deg}(\eta_i)}}{\prod_{j=1}^n (1 - z^{\text{deg}(\theta_j)})}$$

**Proposition 8** [19] *The set of secondary invariants depends on the chosen set of primary invariants, moreover the degrees of the primary invariants and the number of secondary invariants are related by the formula :  $t = \prod_j \deg(\theta_j)/|G|$*

Now, we want to give an estimation of the size of  $R_d^G$  (set of invariant polynomials of degree  $d$ ) compared to  $R_d$ . To give an estimation of the complexities of Abelian- $F_5$  and Abelian-FGLM algorithms, we are interested in two quantities.

**Definition 6** *We define the density of  $R_d^G$  in  $R_d$  and the density of  $R^G$  in  $R$  by*

$$\delta(R_d^G) = \frac{\dim(R_d^G)}{\dim(R_d)} \quad \text{and} \quad \delta(R^G) = \lim_{D \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\sum_{d=0}^D \dim(R_d^G)}{\sum_{d=0}^D \dim(R_d)}$$

The goal of this subsection is to prove the following theorem:

**Theorem 6** *The density  $\delta(R^G)$  is well defined and is equal to  $1/|G|$ . If a set of primary invariants of  $R^G$  can be chosen such that their degrees are relatively prime, the density  $\delta(R_d^G)$  has the limit  $\delta(R^G) = 1/|G|$  as  $d$  tends to infinity.*

**PROOF.** Denote by  $\alpha_i$  the degree of  $\theta_i$ , and by  $\alpha$  the greatest common divisors of the  $\alpha_i$ . We are interested in an asymptotic estimation of the coefficient in  $z^d$  in the Hilbert series of  $R_K^G$ . For now, denote by  $f(z)$  the power series  $1/(\prod_{j=1}^n (1 - z^{\alpha_j}))$ , and  $[z^d]f(z)$  the coefficient in  $z^d$  in the expansion of  $f$ . Clearly,  $[z^d]f(z) = 0$  if  $\alpha$  doesn't divide  $d$ . Then, if  $\alpha|d$ ,  $[z^d]f(z) = [z^{d/\alpha}] \frac{1}{\prod_{j=1}^n (1 - z^{\alpha_j/\alpha})}$ .

Since the integers  $\alpha_i/\alpha$  have no common factor, it follows that 1 is the unique pole of multiplicity  $n$  in the previous rational function, the other poles having a smaller multiplicity. Following the idea of [11] Theorem 4.9, p.256, we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} [z^{d/\alpha}] \frac{1}{\prod_{j=1}^n (1 - z^{\alpha_j/\alpha})} &= [z^{d/\alpha}] \frac{1}{(1-z)^n \prod_{j=1}^n (\sum_{\ell=0}^{\alpha_j/\alpha-1} z^\ell)} \\ &= \gamma \binom{d/\alpha + n - 1}{n - 1} \end{aligned}$$

with  $\gamma$  the coefficient of  $\frac{1}{1-z^n}$  in the partial fraction expansion:

$$1/\gamma = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} \prod_{j=1}^n (\sum_{\ell=0}^{\alpha_j/\alpha-1} z^\ell) = \prod_{j=1}^n \alpha_j/\alpha^n$$

Since  $\binom{d/\alpha+n-1}{n-1} \underset{d \rightarrow +\infty}{\sim} (d/\alpha)^{n-1}$ , we have obtained that:

$$[z^d]f(z) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \alpha \nmid d \\ \frac{\alpha d^{n-1}}{\prod_j \alpha_j} + o(d^{n-1}) & \text{if } \alpha | d \end{cases}$$

We are now able to give the density of  $R^G$ :

$\sum_{d=0}^D \dim R_d^G \underset{D \rightarrow +\infty}{\sim} t \sum_{0 \leq d \leq D, \alpha|d} \frac{\alpha d^{n-1}}{\prod_j \alpha_j} \underset{D \rightarrow +\infty}{\sim} \frac{t}{\prod_j \alpha_j} \sum_{d=0}^D d^{n-1}$ , and by applying proposition 8,

we conclude that  $\delta(R_K^G) = 1/|G|$ . Assume now that  $\alpha = 1$ , then  $[z^d]f(z) = \frac{d^{n-1}}{\prod \alpha_i} + o(d^{n-1})$ , so  $[z^d]H(R^G, z) = \frac{t d^{n-1}}{\prod \alpha_i} + o(d^{n-1})$ , and the second part of the theorem follows.  $\square$

**Remark 6** *If the degrees of the primary invariants have a common factor, the second part of the theorem is false. The following (trivial) example illustrates this fact.*

**Example 9** *Let  $G = \{\text{Diag}(\pm 1, \pm 1)\}$  Then  $\mathbb{K}[x, y]^G = \mathbb{K}[x^2, y^2]$ , and all the densities  $\delta(R_d^G)$  are zero for odd  $d$ .*

### 6.1.2 Application to diagonal groups

Now we go back to the situation where  $G$  is a diagonal group isomorphic to  $\prod_{i=1}^k \mathbb{Z}/q_i \mathbb{Z}$ . Recall that  $\mathcal{M}_{d,g}$  is the set of monomials of degree  $d$  and  $G$ -degree  $g$ . We denote by  $\hat{0} = (0, \dots, 0)$  the  $G$ -degree of 1. Then  $R_d^G = \text{Vect}_K(\mathcal{M}_{d, \hat{0}})$ , and  $\dim(R_d^G) = |\mathcal{M}_{d, \hat{0}}|$ .

**Definition 7** *Following definition 6, we define the densities  $\delta(R_g)$  and  $\delta(R_{d,g})$  for any  $g \in \hat{G}$  as*

$$\delta(R_{d,g}) = \frac{\dim(R_{d,g})}{\dim(R_d)} = \frac{|\mathcal{M}_{d,g}|}{|\mathcal{M}_d|} \quad \text{and} \quad \delta(R_g) = \lim_{D \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\sum_{d=0}^D |\mathcal{M}_{d,g}|}{\sum_{d=0}^D |\mathcal{M}_d|}$$

**Theorem 7** *The density  $\delta(R_g)$  is well defined and is equal to  $1/|G|$ . If a set of primary invariants of  $R^G$  can be chosen such that their degrees are relatively prime, the density  $\delta(R_{d,g})$  has limit  $\delta(R^G) = 1/|G|$  as  $d$  tends to infinity.*

**PROOF.** First of all assume that all the sets  $\mathcal{M}_g$  are non-empty, and let  $m_g \in \mathcal{M}_g$  for all  $g \in \hat{G}$ . Denote by  $d_{m_g}$  its degree. Then  $\mathcal{M}_g$  can be written  $\mathcal{M}_g = m_g \mathcal{M}_{\hat{0}} \sqcup \{m \in \mathcal{M}_g \mid m_g \nmid m\}$ . Therefore, for  $d$  big enough,  $\mathcal{M}_{d,g} = m_g \mathcal{M}_{d-d_{m_g}, \hat{0}} \sqcup \{m \in \mathcal{M}_{d,g} \mid m_g \nmid m\}$ . Assuming the condition of the degrees of the primary invariants, we obtain by theorem 6

$$\frac{|\mathcal{M}_{d,g}|}{|\mathcal{M}_d|} = \frac{|\mathcal{M}_{d-d_{m_g}, \hat{0}}|}{|\mathcal{M}_{d-d_{m_g}}|} \frac{|\mathcal{M}_{d-d_{m_g}}|}{|\mathcal{M}_d|} + \frac{|\{m \in \mathcal{M}_{d,g} \mid m_g \nmid m\}|}{|\mathcal{M}_d|}$$

$\xrightarrow{d \rightarrow \infty} 1/|G|$   $\xrightarrow{d \rightarrow \infty} 0$

and the second part of the theorem is proved. In the same way, we conclude by sketching the proof of theorem 6 that

$$\delta(R_g) = \begin{cases} 1/|G| & \text{if } \mathcal{M}_g \neq \emptyset \\ 0 & \text{if } \mathcal{M}_g = \emptyset \end{cases}$$

But by definition,  $\sum \delta(R_g) = 1$ , so we proved that every set  $\mathcal{M}_g$  is non-empty and  $\delta(R_g) = 1/|G|$ .  $\square$

**Remark 7** *We have seen that asymptotically, the sets  $\mathcal{M}_{d,g}$  have roughly the same size (with the assumption on the degrees of the primary invariants) and that the same result holds without assumption on the sets  $\cup_{d=0}^D \mathcal{M}_{d,g}$ , and the sizes of these sets correspond to the number of columns in the matrices of the abelian- $F_5$  algorithm, in the homogeneous or affine case. Actually, these sets are very fast evenly distributed, as we will see in section 7. To perform a complexity analysis, we will suppose that this is the case.*

## 6.2 Application to the complexity of abelian- $F_5$ and abelian-FGLM algorithms

### 6.2.1 Abelian- $F_5$ algorithm

To analyse the efficiency of our algorithm to compute a Gröbner basis of  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$ , we have to compare the complexity of the classical  $F_5$  algorithm on  $I$  and  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$  and the abelian- $F_5$  algorithm on  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$ . In order to bound the complexity of  $F_5$  we bound the complexity of the so called Macaulay/Lazard algorithm [15], consisting in building a row echelon form of the Macaulay's matrix; this computation can be seen as a redundant variant of the  $F_5$  algorithm. Since the base-change matrix  $P$  defined in section 2 induces an isomorphism between the homogenous components of same degree of  $I$  and  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$ , assuming they are homogeneous, so these ideals have same Hilbert series. Therefore, the index of regularity (homogeneous case) or the degree of regularity (affine case) are the same. For a good introduction to these notions, see [16]. From the Lazard algorithm [15] it is possible to derive a complexity bound of the computation of a Gröbner basis of zero dimensional homogeneous system.

**Theorem 8** [16] *Let  $\mathbf{F} = (f_1, \dots, f_m) \in R^m$  be a family of homogeneous polynomials generating a zero-dimensional ideal. The complexity of computing a Gröbner basis for the DRL ordering of the ideal  $\langle \mathbf{F} \rangle$  is bounded by  $O\left(m \binom{n + d_{\text{reg}}(\mathbf{F})}{d_{\text{reg}}(\mathbf{F})}\right)^\omega$*

where  $\omega$  is the constant of linear algebra.

The proof of the previous theorem is obtained by analyzing size and rank of the Macaulay's matrix, and by the fact that a row echelon form of a matrix of size  $(\ell, c)$  and rank  $r$  can be computed in

times  $O(\ell c r^{\omega-2})$ . In the case of an ideal  $\mathbf{F}$  invariant under a diagonal group  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ , we have seen that such a matrix can be slitted into  $|G_{\mathcal{G}}|$  parts, and previous analysis of the size of the sets  $\mathcal{M}_{d,g}$  in theorem 7 proves that, under parallelization on the computations of row echelon form of the  $|G_{\mathcal{G}}|$  submatrices, the following theorem holds:

**Theorem 9** Let  $\mathbf{F} = (f_1, \dots, f_m) \in R^m$  be a family of homogeneous polynomials generating a 0-dimensional ideal, invariant under a diagonal group  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$  such that a set of primary invariants of  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$  can be chosen with degrees relatively prime. The complexity of computing a Gröbner basis for the DRL ordering of the ideal  $\langle \mathbf{F} \rangle$  is bounded by

$$O\left(\frac{m}{|G_{\mathcal{G}}|^\omega} \binom{n + d_{\text{reg}}(\mathbf{F})}{d_{\text{reg}}(\mathbf{F})}^\omega\right)$$

**Remark 8** In the affine case, it seems that a bound similar to theorem 8 could be obtained (see [16], page 53), therefore we could obtain a similar improvement than in theorem 9.

### 6.2.2 Abelian-FGLM algorithm

Let  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$  be a zero-dimensional ideal invariant under the diagonal group  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ . We have to consider the two parts of the algorithm to give a complexity estimation: the construction of the multiplication's matrices  $M_{i,g}$  and the loop in FGLM. We denote by  $\mathbf{Deg}(I_{\mathcal{G}})$  the degree of the ideal  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$ .

**Theorem 10** Under the hypothesis that the monomials of  $\mathcal{E}$  are evenly distributed over the staircases  $\mathcal{E}_g$  (which is verified in practice), it is possible to obtain the reduced Gröbner basis  $\mathcal{G}_{\leq 2}$  from  $\mathcal{G}_{\leq 1}$  of  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$  with  $O\left(\frac{n}{|G_{\mathcal{G}}|^2} \mathbf{Deg}(I_{\mathcal{G}})^3\right)$  arithmetic operations in  $K$ .

PROOF. We follow the notations of [10].

- To compute the multiplication matrices, we have to compute the normal forms  $NF(m, \mathcal{G}_{\leq 1})$  for all  $m \in B(\mathcal{G}_{\leq 1}) \cup M(\mathcal{G}_{\leq 1})$ . For at most  $n \mathbf{Deg}(I_{\mathcal{G}})$  of these monomials, arithmetic computations are needed and since the staircases  $\mathcal{E}_g$  have size about  $\mathbf{Deg}(I_{\mathcal{G}})/|G_{\mathcal{G}}|$ , each of these normal forms can be computed with  $O\left(\frac{\mathbf{Deg}(I_{\mathcal{G}})}{|G_{\mathcal{G}}|}\right)^2$  arithmetic operations in  $K$ .
- In the same way, the loop in the FGLM algorithm presented in section 5 has to be done at most  $n \mathbf{Deg}(I_{\mathcal{G}})$  times. The cost of the linear operations was  $O(\mathbf{Deg}(I_{\mathcal{G}})^2)$  in the original FGLM algorithm [10] but it is reduced to  $O(\mathbf{Deg}(I_{\mathcal{G}})^2/|G_{\mathcal{G}}|^2)$  here since the square matrices have a number of lines and columns divided by about  $|G_{\mathcal{G}}|$ .  $\square$

### 6.3 Polynomial complexity

Suppose that  $g_1, \dots, g_m$  are affine polynomials of  $R$  of degree 2, which are individually invariant under the cyclic- $n$  group. Usually, computing a Gröbner basis of  $I = \langle g_1, \dots, g_m \rangle$  is exponential, but we will see that we can obtain a Gröbner basis of  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$  in polynomial time in  $n$  and  $m$ . With  $P = (\xi^{ij})$ , and  $f_i = g_i^P$ , each  $f_i$  is invariant under  $D_\sigma = \text{diag}(\xi, \xi^2, \dots, \xi^{n-1}, 1)$  and  $f_i$  has  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree 0.

**Lemma 2** The support of each  $f_i$  is contained in  $\{1, x_n, x_n^2\} \cup \{x_i x_{n-i}, \mid 1 \leq i \leq \lfloor (n-1)/2 \rfloor\}$ .

PROOF. Each  $x_i$  has  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree  $i \bmod n$ , so  $\deg_{G_{\mathcal{G}}}(x_i x_j) = i + j \bmod n$ , and the only monomials of degree 2 having  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree 0 are  $x_i x_{n-i}$ . The only monomial of degree 1 and  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree 0 is  $x_n$ , and 1 is also of  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree 0.  $\square$

**Theorem 11** A Gröbner Basis for every monomial ordering of a system of  $m$  equations invariant under  $D_\sigma = \text{diag}(\xi, \dots, \xi^{n-1}, 1)$  can be computed in polynomial time in  $n + m$ .

PROOF. We set  $y_i = x_i x_{n-i}$  for each  $i \in \{0, \dots, \lfloor (n-1)/2 \rfloor\}$  to linearize the equations, and perform a Gauss elimination on the

equations. The result is a Gröbner Basis since the leading monomials of any pair of the obtained polynomials are coprime. The matrix we have to reduce has  $m$  lines and  $\lfloor (n+5)/2 \rfloor$  columns, and the complexity is polynomial in  $n + m$ .  $\square$

**Remark 9** Similar results can be obtained for other groups and systems. This will be discussed in an extended version of this paper.

## 7. EXPERIMENTS

In this section, we report some experiments that show the improvements given by our approach on the computation of Gröbner bases of ideals invariant under a commutative group. We first present sizes of the sets  $\mathcal{M}_{d,g}$  and  $\mathcal{E}_g$ , and then give timings obtained with an implementation of the algorithm Abelian- $F_4$ . A web page has been made for other softwares and benchmarks, see [8].

### 7.1 Sizes of the sets $\mathcal{M}_g$ or $\mathcal{E}_g$

In this subsection, we suppose that  $G$  is the cyclic group generated by the matrix  $M_\sigma$  presented in example 1. Therefore  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$  is the group generated by the diagonal matrix with diagonal coefficients  $(\xi, \xi^2, \dots, \xi^{n-1}, 1)$ . We want to compare the size of  $\mathcal{M}_{d,g}$  with  $|\mathcal{M}_d|/n$  (recall that  $n$  is the order of  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ ). To this end we compute the relative standard deviation of the sets  $|\mathcal{M}_{d,g}|$  to  $|\mathcal{M}_d|/n$ , for several  $n$  and  $d$ . The formula is  $\sigma_{d,n} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{g \in G_{\mathcal{G}}} (|\mathcal{M}_{d,g}| - |\mathcal{M}_d|/n)^2}}{|\mathcal{M}_d|/n}$ . The following table presents some values of  $\sigma_{d,n}$ . We see that the monomials are very fast evenly distributed over  $g \in \hat{G}$ . In the same way,

$d/n$	2	3	4	5	10	15
3	0.00	0.14	0.00	0.09	0.00	0.01
4	0.20	0.00	0.10	0.09	0.02	0.01
5	0.00	0.09	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00
10	0.09	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00

Table 1: Repartition of the monomials under  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$

the stairs  $\mathcal{E}_g$  that appear in the abelian-FGLM algorithm have about same size. Table 2 presents some zero dimensional ideals together with the size of the group and the size of the stairs. The final column is the relative standard deviation between  $|\mathcal{E}_g|$  and  $|\mathcal{E}|/|G_{\mathcal{G}}|$ .

$n$	$ \mathcal{E} $	$ G_{\mathcal{G}} $	$ \mathcal{E}_g / G_{\mathcal{G}} $	Max $ \mathcal{E}_g $	$\sigma_{\mathcal{E}}$
5	70	25	2.80	6	0.286
6	156	36	4.33	6	0.133
7	924	49	18.86	24	0.045
10	34940	100	349.40	354	0.0043
11	184756	121	1526.91	1536	0.00060

Table 2: Cyclic- $n$ : Repartition of the monomials into  $\mathcal{E}_g$

From the experimental side, applying the  $F_4$  algorithm on the cyclic 9 problem we obtain, in degree 15, a matrix of size  $72558 \times 93917$ ; applying the abelian- $F_4$  algorithm we obtain 9 independent matrices of roughly the same size:  $8340 \times 10703$ ,  $8180 \times 10544$ ,  $8122 \times 10484$ ,  $7804 \times 10171$ ,  $7993 \times 10358$ ,  $8042 \times 10404$ ,  $7796 \times 10162$ ,  $7967 \times 10369$  and  $8314 \times 10722$ .

### 7.2 Abelian- $F_4$ implementation

A first implementation of the Abelian- $F_4$ -algorithm [4] has been made. The algorithm constructs  $|G_{\mathcal{G}}|$  matrices at each degree, using the usual strategy of  $F_4$ . Notice that only the construction of the matrices and the operations of row-reduction on them have been parallelized, the handle of the list of critical pairs is still sequential. Surprisingly, the linear algebra can sometimes be so accelerated that this handling can become the most time-consuming part whereas it is usually negligible. Therefore we report in the following tables two timings or ratios in each column: the timings are related to  $F_4^{A,n}$ , which is the new abelian algorithm parallelized on  $n$  cores. The first one is the total timing and the second one is only the parallelized part (that is to say, building the matrices and the linear algebra parts). The other columns contain the ratios between



$F_4^A$  or  $F_4$  and  $F_4^{A,n}$ .  $F_4$  means the standard  $F_4$  applied on  $I$  and  $F_4^A$  the standard  $F_4$  applied on  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$ .  $F_4^M$  is the  $F_4$  of Magma, and there is only the ratio for the total timing. In each case except table 7, the group  $G$  acting on  $I$  is the cyclic group  $C_n$  generated by the matrix  $M_{\sigma}$  defined in example 1, and  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$  is the group generated by the diagonal matrix  $\text{diag}(\xi, \xi^2, \dots, 1)$ . Notice that we have to reach big-sized problems to have a significant impact. In table 3, we consider  $n$  randomized equations of degree 3 stable under  $C_n$ , which give rise to equations of  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree 0 in  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$ . Table 4 presents  $n$  equations of degree 2, half of these equations in  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$  are of  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree 0, and half of  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree 1. In this case, the computation on  $I_{\mathcal{G}}$  becomes polynomial in  $n$  and the handling of the critical pairs is the most time-consuming part. All computations have been made on a computer with 4 Intel(R) Xeon(R) CPU E5-4620 0 @ 2.20GHz with 387 GB of RAM, on a field where  $X^{|\mathcal{G}|} - 1$  fully splits (most of the time  $\mathbb{F}_{65521}$ ), according to remark 5.

$n$	$F_4^{A,n}$ total; // part	$F_4^A/F_4^{A,n}$ tot;p.p	$F_4/F_4^{A,n}$ tot;p.p	$F_4^M/F_4^{A,n}$ tot
8	3.46s;2.48s	2.2;2.7	33.0;45.4	22
9	77.04s;64.21s	7.3;8.6	67.8;81.0	50
10	762s;672s	10.0;11.3	160.9;182.1	134
11	22162s;20425s	13.0;14.0	$\infty$	$\infty$

**Table 3:  $n$  cubic equations of  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree 0**

$n$	$F_4^{A,n}$ total; // part	$F_4^A/F_4^{A,n}$ tot;p.p	$F_4/F_4^{A,n}$ tot;p.p
25	0.25s;0.06s	1.9;4.5	56.60;230.0
30	0.58s;0.11s	1.5;4.6	80.79;415.1
35	0.86s;0.11s	1.9;8.5	228.5;1755
40	1.55s;0.21s	2.0;8.5	300.6;2174
50	3.96s;0.45s	2.6;13.3	753.8;6504
60	10.85s;0.96s	2.8;17.2	1294;14330

**Table 4:  $n$  quadratic equations of  $G_{\mathcal{G}}$ -degree 0 or 1**

Table 5 presents equations coming from a cryptographic application : the cryptosystem NTRU [14]. The underlying problem is the following: given  $h \in \mathbb{F}_p[x]$ , we are looking for a polynomial  $f \in \mathbb{F}_p[x]$  of degree  $n-1$  and coefficients in  $\{0, 1\}$  such that  $g = fh \pmod{x^n - 1}$  has also its coefficients in  $\{0, 1\}$ . Denote  $f = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} f_i x^i$  and  $g = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} g_i x^i$ , then the  $g_i$ 's are linear forms in the  $f_i$ 's verifying  $g_i^{M_{\sigma}} = g_{\sigma(i)}$ . Since the conditions of  $f_i$  and  $g_i$  to be in  $\{0, 1\}$  can be written  $f_i^2 - f_i = g_i^2 - g_i = 0$ , the system consists of  $2n$  quadratic equations in the  $f_i$ 's generating an ideal globally stable under the action of  $C_n$ . The speed-up between  $F_4$  and  $F_4^{A,n}$  is roughly 250 with 24 variables, and the use of  $F_4^{A,n}$  has a significant impact since we can achieve bigger problems. In this case the handling of the critical pairs is also the most time-consuming part.

$n$	$F_4^{A,n}$ total; // part	$F_4^A/F_4^{A,n}$ tot;p.p	$F_4/F_4^{A,n}$ tot;p.p
21	4.52s;1.21s	4.0;11.9	90.15;334.0
23	11.16s;1.87s	3.3;17.2	115.2;686.1
24	128s;14.3s	5.2;36.5	241.1;2149.
25	218s;31.0s	5.8;32.5	$\infty$
28	1214s;192s	7.1;36.1	$\infty$

**Table 5: NTRU equations**

Table 6 presents timings on the Cyclic- $n$  problem, we see that Cyclic-11 could be solved in less than 8 hours although it is untractable with  $F_4$ . Table 7 is an example of ideals generating by random polynomials of degree 3 invariant under the group  $C_{k_1} \times C_{k_2}$ , each subgroup  $C_k$  acting on  $k$  variables. We see that the algorithm is more efficient where  $k_1 = k_2$ , which makes sense since the size of the group is  $k_1 k_2$ .

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$n$	$F_4^{A,n}$ total; // part	$F_4^A/F_4^{A,n}$ tot;p.p	$F_4/F_4^{A,n}$ tot;p.p	$F_4^M/F_4^{A,n}$ tot
8	0.50s;0.40s	2.5;2.7	7.8;9.3	6.0
9	10.21s;7.71s	4.3;5.4	37.0;48.4	30.5
10	334s;290s	13.2;14.8	411.0;472.3	207
11	27539s;25454s	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$

**Table 6: The Cyclic- $n$  problem**

$k_1, k_2$	$F_4^{A,k_1 k_2}$ tot; // p.p	$F_4^A/F_4^{A,k_1 k_2}$ tot;p.p	$F_4/F_4^{A,k_1 k_2}$ tot;p.p	$F_4^M/F_4^{A,k_1 k_2}$ tot
4,4	2.0s;1.3s	2.4;3.2	61.8;94.6	37
6,2	2.9s;2.4s	2.2;2.5	76.4;91.4	44
5,5	70s;43s	11.8;16.2	$\infty$	$\infty$
6,4	92s;76s	17.7;19.8	$\infty$	$\infty$
8,2	107s;100s	12.1;12.3	$\infty$	$\infty$

**Table 7:  $n = k_1 + k_2$  cubic equations invariant under  $C_{k_1} \times C_{k_2}$**

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