

# Symbolic Integration

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## Squarefree Factorization

### Integration - the main idea

The idea is to find  $a, b, c, d \in F[x]$  such that

$$\int \frac{p}{q} dx = \frac{c}{d} + \int \frac{a}{b} dx$$

where  $\deg(a) < \deg(b)$  and  $b$  is squarefree (*i.e.*  $\text{GCD}(b, b') = 1$ ).

In other words, we split the integral into a rational and logarithmic parts.

We compute as much of integrand as possible in a given field and then compute the minimal extension (algebraic and/or log) necessary to express the integral.

The algorithm proceeds as follows. Applying Euclidean division

$$p = q * s + r,$$

$$\text{gcd}(r, q) = 1, \quad \deg(r) < \deg(q)$$

or

$$\frac{p}{q} = s + \frac{r}{q}$$

we have

$$\int \frac{p}{q} = \int s + \int \frac{r}{q}$$

Polynomial integration  $\int s$  is trivial. We compute the squarefree factorization of  $q$

$$q = q_1 * q_2^2 * \dots * q_m^m$$

$$\int \frac{r}{q} = \int \frac{r}{q_1 * q_2^2 * \dots * q_m^m}$$

where  $m \geq 2$  (otherwise,  $q$  is squarefree). The next step is to decrease the degree of a denominator

$$\int \frac{1}{q_1 * q_2^2 * \dots * q_m^m} \rightarrow \int \frac{1}{q_1 * q_2^2 * \dots * q_m^{m-1}} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \int \frac{1}{q_1 * q_2 * \dots * q_m}$$

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## Squarefree Factorization

**Definition.** We say that  $f$  is *squarefree* if it has no proper quadratic divisors.

**Definition.** The *squarefree factorization* of  $f(x)$  is

$$f(x) = \prod_{k=1}^n g_k(x)^k = g_1(x) g_2(x)^2 g_3(x)^3 \dots g_n(x)^n$$

where each  $g_i$  is a squarefree polynomial and  $\text{GCD}(g_i, g_k) = 1$

The squarefree part of a polynomial can be calculated without actually factoring the polynomial into irreducibles. We will see how to do this for fields of characteristic zero.

**Definition.** A field  $F$  is of characteristic zero, if for all  $a \in F, a \neq 0$  and  $n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \neq 0$  we have  $n a \neq 0$ .

**Lemma.** Let  $F$  be a field of characteristic zero. Then  $f$  is square-free  $\iff \text{GCD}(f, f') = 1$ .

**Example.** Consider

$$f = x^6 + 2x^3 + 1$$

over  $\mathbb{Z}_3$ .

$$D(f) = 6x^5 + 6x^2 = 0 \pmod{3}$$

### ■ Squarefree factorization algorithm

This is Musser's algorithm original presented in

D. R. Musser, *Algorithms for Polynomial Factorization*, Ph.D. thesis, University of Wisconsin, 1971.

Take

$$f(x) = \prod_{k=1}^n g_k(x)^k$$

find derivative

$$f'(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n g_1(x) \dots k g_k(x)^{k-1} g_k'(x) \dots g_n(x)$$

Hence

$$c(x) = \text{GCD}(f(x), f'(x)) = \prod_{k=2}^n g_k(x)^{k-1}$$

Then

$$w(x) = \frac{f(x)}{\text{GCD}(f(x), f'(x))} = \prod_{k=1}^n g_k(x)$$

is a product of squarefree factors. Calculating (if  $c(x)$  is not 1, because otherwise  $f(x)$  is squarefree)

$$y(x) = \text{GCD}(c(x), w(x)) = \prod_{k=2}^n g_k(x)$$

and observing that

$$g_1(x) = \frac{w(x)}{y(x)}$$

or

$$g_1(x) = \frac{\frac{f(x)}{c(x)}}{\text{GCD}\left(c(x), \frac{f(x)}{c(x)}\right)}$$

we find the first squarefree factor.

To find  $g_2(x)$ , we observe that it is the first factor of  $c(x)$ . Thus

$$f(x) \leftarrow c(x)$$

$$\text{new\_c}(x) = \text{GCD}(c(x), c'(x)) = \prod_{k=3}^n g_k(x)^{k-2} = \frac{c(x)}{y(x)}$$

$$w(x) = \frac{c(x)}{\text{GCD}(c(x), c'(x))} = \frac{c(x)}{\text{new\_c}(x)} = \frac{c(x)}{\frac{c(x)}{y(x)}} = y(x)$$

In short

$$c(x) = \frac{c(x)}{y(x)}$$

$$w(x) = y(x)$$

$$y(x) = \text{GCD}(c(x), w(x))$$

$$g_2(x) = \frac{w(x)}{y(x)}$$

Applying these recursively, we find all  $g_k$

■ **Example.**

$$f(x) = x^9 + x^8 - 2x^7 - 2x^6 + 2x^3 + 2x^2 - x - 1$$

$$f'(x) = 9x^8 + 8x^7 - 14x^6 - 12x^5 + 6x^2 + 4x - 1$$

$$c(x) = \text{GCD}(f(x), f'(x)) = x^5 + x^4 - 2x^3 - 2x^2 + x + 1$$

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PolynomialGCD[x9 + x8 - 2 x7 - 2 x6 + 2 x3 + 2 x2 - x - 1,
9 x8 + 8 x7 - 14 x6 - 12 x5 + 6 x2 + 4 x - 1]
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$$w(x) = \frac{f(x)}{\text{GCD}(f(x), f'(x))} = x^4 - 1$$

Entering the main loop:  $k = 1$

$$y(x) = \text{GCD}(c(x), w(x)) = x^2 - 1$$

```
PolynomialGCD[x5 + x4 - 2 x3 - 2 x2 + x + 1, x4 - 1]
```

$$g_1(x) = \frac{w(x)}{y(x)} = \frac{x^4 - 1}{x^2 - 1} = x^2 + 1$$

$$w(x) \leftarrow y(x) = x^2 - 1$$

$$c(x) \leftarrow \frac{c(x)}{y(x)} = x^3 + x^2 - x - 1$$

Entering the main loop:  $k = 2$

$$y(x) = \text{GCD}(c(x), w(x)) = x^2 - 1$$

$$g_2(x) = \frac{w(x)}{y(x)} = 1$$

$$w(x) \leftarrow y(x) = x^2 - 1$$

$$c(x) \leftarrow \frac{c(x)}{y(x)} = x + 1$$

Entering the main loop:  $k = 3$

$$y(x) = \text{GCD}(c(x), w(x)) = x + 1$$

$$g_3(x) = \frac{w(x)}{y(x)} = x - 1$$

$$w(x) \leftarrow y(x) = x + 1$$

$$c(x) \leftarrow \frac{c(x)}{y(x)} = 1$$

Since  $c(x) = 1$ , we stop and return  $(x^2 + 1) * 1 * (x - 1)^3 * (x + 1)^4$

## ■ Code

```
factorsquareFree[pol_, x_] :=  
  Module[{f, fpr, c, w, y, g, k},  
    f = pol;  
    fpr = D[pol, x];  
    c = PolynomialGCD[f, fpr];  
    w = PolynomialQuotient[f, c, x];  
    out = k = 1;  
    While[c != 1,  
      y = PolynomialGCD[c, w];  
      g = PolynomialQuotient[w, y, x];  
      out *= g^k;  
      k++;  
      w = y;  
      c = PolynomialQuotient[c, y, x];  
    ];  
    out *= w^k  
  ] /; PolynomialQ[pol, x]
```

**$Z_p$** 

If the polynomial is in  $Z_p[x]$ , the situation is slightly more complex.

Compute

$$c(x) = \text{GCD}(f(x), f'(x))$$

There are choices

$c(x) = 1$  then  $f(x)$  is squarefree

$c(x) \neq 1$  and  $c(x) \neq f(x)$  then we continue with the algorithm...

$c(x) \neq 1$  and  $c(x) = f(x)$  and this is what makes a difference! We must have  $f'(x) = 0$ . Therefore,  $f(x)$  contains exponents that are multiple of  $p$ . We can write  $f(x) = b(x)^p$  and reduce problem to squarefree factorization of  $b(x)$ .

The algorithm was presented by Akritas in

A. G.. Akritas, *Elements of computer algebra with applications*, Wiley, NY, 1989.

■ **Exercise**

Let  $p(x) = 112x^4 + 58x^3 - 31x^2 + 107x - 66$ . What is the squarefree factorization modulo 3?

Compare

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FactorSquareFree [112 x^4 + 58 x^3 - 31 x^2 + 107 x - 66]
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- 66 + 107 x - 31 x^2 + 58 x^3 + 112 x^4
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with

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FactorSquareFree [112 x^4 + 58 x^3 - 31 x^2 + 107 x - 66, Modulus -> 3]
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x (1 + x)^2 (2 + x)
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We proceed as in Musser's algorithm

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f := 112 x^4 + 58 x^3 - 31 x^2 + 107 x - 66
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c = PolynomialGCD[f, D[f, x], Modulus -> 3]
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```
1 + x
```

$$w(x) = \frac{f(x)}{c(x)}$$

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w = PolynomialQuotient[f, c, x, Modulus -> 3]
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2 x + x3
```

Entering the main loop:  $k = 1$

$$y(x) = \text{GCD}(c(x), w(x))$$

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y = PolynomialGCD[c, w, Modulus -> 3]
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1 + x
```

$$g_1(x) = \frac{w(x)}{y(x)}$$

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g1 = PolynomialQuotient[w, y, x, Modulus -> 3]
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```
2 x + x2
```

$$w(x) \leftarrow y(x)$$

$$c(x) \leftarrow \frac{c(x)}{y(x)}$$

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w = y; c =  $\frac{c}{y}$ 
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Since  $c(x) = 1$ , stop and return  $g_1[x] w[x]^2$



### Yun's squar-free factorization in characteristic zero.

Yun presented a more efficient algorithm

D. Y. Yun, On square-free decomposition algorithms, *Proceedings of the 1976 ACM Symposium on Symbolic and Algebraic Computation*, (1976), pp. 26-25.

Take

$$f(x) = \prod_{k=1}^n g_k(x)^k$$

find derivative

$$f'(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n g_1(x) \dots k g_k(x)^{k-1} g_k'(x) \dots g_n(x)$$

Hence

$$c(x) = \text{GCD}(f(x), f'(x)) = \prod_{k=2}^n g_k(x)^{k-1}$$

Then

$$w(x) = \frac{f(x)}{\text{GCD}(f(x), f'(x))} = \prod_{k=1}^n g_k(x)$$

is a product of square-free factors. No difference so far with the previous algorithm.

We compute  $y(x)$  in a different way

$$y(x) = \frac{f'(x)}{c(x)} = \frac{f'(x)}{\text{GCD}(f(x), f'(x))}$$

$$y(x) = g_1'(x) \dots g_n(x) + 2 g_1(x) g_2'(x) \dots g_n(x) + \dots + n g_1(x) \dots g_{n-1}(x) g_n'(x)$$

We must eliminate the first term! It contains  $g_1'(x)$ .

Elimination can be done by means of  $w'(x)$ :

$$y(x) - w'(x) = g_1(x)[g_2'(x) \dots g_n(x) + (n-1) g_2(x) \dots g_n'(x)]$$

Therefore, we find the first squarefree factor as

$$g_1(x) = \text{GCD}(w(x), y(x) - w'(x))$$

Note that  $g_2'(x) \dots g_n(x) + (n-1) g_2(x) \dots g_n'(x)$  is not divisible by  $w(x)$ , since each  $g_i$  is a square-free polynomial with  $\text{GCD}(g_k, g_k') = 1$ .

To find  $g_2(x)$ , we do the following

$$\text{new\_w}(x) = \frac{w(x)}{g_1(x)}$$

$$\text{new\_y}(x) = \frac{y(x) - w'(x)}{g_1(x)}$$

$$\text{new\_y}(x) - \text{new\_w}'(x) \dots$$

and so on...

## ■ Code

```

YunFactorSquareFree[pol_, x_] :=
Module[{f, fpr, c, w, y, g, k, out},
  f = pol; fpr = D[pol, x];
  c = PolynomialGCD[f, fpr];
  w = PolynomialQuotient[f, c, x];
  y = PolynomialQuotient[fpr, c, x];
  out = k = 1;
  z = y - D[w, x];
  While[z != 0,
    g = PolynomialGCD[w, z];
    out *= g^k;
    k++;
    w = PolynomialQuotient[w, g, x];
    y = PolynomialQuotient[z, g, x];
    z = y - D[w, x];
  ];
  out *= w^k
] /; PolynomialQ[pol, x]

```

## Hermite-Ostrogradsky's Algorithm

E. Hermite, Sur l'intégration des fractions rationnelles, *Nouvelles Annales de Mathématiques*, **11**(1872), 145-148.

M. W. Ostrogradsky, De l'intégration des fractions rationnelles, *Bulletin de la Classe Physico-Mathématiques de l'Académie Impériale des Sciences de St. Pétersburg*, IV, 1845, pp.145-167, 286-300.

Given

$$\int \frac{p}{q} dx$$

where  $\deg(p) < \deg(q)$  and  $\text{GCD}(p, q) = 1$ . The idea of the algorithm is to find  $a, b \in F[x]$  such that

$$\int \frac{p}{q} dx = \text{Rational\_Function} + \int \frac{a}{b} dx$$

where  $b$  is squarefree. We will use another algorithm to compute  $\int \frac{a}{b} dx$ .

We start with computing a squarefree factorization of  $q$

$$q = q_1 * q_2^2 * \dots * q_m^m$$

where  $m \geq 2$  (otherwise,  $q$  is squarefree):

$$\int \frac{p}{q} = \int \frac{p}{q_1 * q_2^2 * \dots * q_m^m}$$

Hermite-Ostrogradsky's algorithm reduces exponents of each irreducible  $q_k$  to 1

$$\int \frac{1}{q_1 * q_2^2 * \dots * q_m^m} \rightarrow \int \frac{r_1}{q_1 * q_2^2 * \dots * q_m^{m-1}} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \int \frac{r_k}{q_1 * q_2 * \dots * q_m}$$

The algorithm proceeds as follows. Let

$$q = q_1 * q_2^2 * \dots * q_m^m$$

$$v = q_m$$

$$u = \frac{q}{v^m} = q_1 * q_2^2 * \dots * q_{m-1}^{m-1}$$

Since

$$\text{GCD}(u v', v) = \text{GCD}(q_1 * q_2^2 * \dots * q_{m-1}^{m-1} q_m', q_m) = 1$$

using the extended Euclidean algorithm we find  $a, b \in F[x]$  such that

$$p = u v' a + v b, \quad \deg(a) \leq \deg(v) - 1$$

See the proof below. Dividing both parts by  $q = u * v^m$  gives

$$\frac{p}{q} = \frac{a v'}{v^m} + \frac{b}{u v^{m-1}} \tag{1}$$

Next we observe that

$$\frac{a v'}{v^m} = \frac{1}{1-m} \left[ \left( \frac{a}{v^{m-1}} \right)' - \frac{a'}{v^{m-1}} \right]$$

Thus, equation (1) can be rewritten as

$$\frac{p}{q} = \frac{1}{1-m} \left( \left( \frac{a}{v^{m-1}} \right)' - \frac{a'}{v^{m-1}} \right) + \frac{b}{u v^{m-1}}$$

or

$$\frac{p}{q} = \frac{1}{1-m} \left( \frac{a}{v^{m-1}} \right)' + \frac{1}{1-m} * \frac{b(1-m) - a' u}{u v^{m-1}}$$

Integrating both sides, yields

$$\int \frac{p}{q} = \frac{1}{1-m} \frac{a}{v^{m-1}} + \frac{1}{1-m} \int \frac{b(1-m) - u a'}{u v^{m-1}}$$

The integrand is reduced to one with a smaller multiplicity. We repeat this process until the denominator is squarefree.

### ■ Theorem

Let  $a, b \in F[x]$  and  $\text{GCD}(a, b) = 1$ . Then for any given polynomial  $c \in F[x]$  there exist unique polynomials  $\sigma$  and  $\tau \in F[x]$  such that

$$\sigma * a + \tau * b = c, \quad \text{deg}(\sigma) \leq \text{deg}(b) - 1$$

*Proof.*

From the extended Euclidean algorithm

$$s * a + t * b = 1 = \text{gcd}(a, b)$$

or

$$s * w * a + t * w * b = w$$

We need to lower the degree of  $s * w$ .

$$s * w = q * b + r \quad \text{where} \quad \text{deg}(r) \leq \text{deg}(b) - 1$$

and substituting it back to the previous equation

$$(q * b + r) * a + t * w * b = w$$

Collecting terms by  $b$ ,

$$r * a + (q * a + t * w) * b = w$$

we obtain

$$\sigma * a + \tau * b = c$$

where  $\tau = q * a + t * w$  and  $\sigma = r$ . Since

$$\text{deg}(\sigma) = \text{deg}(r) \leq \text{deg}(b) - 1$$

we complete the proof. QED.

■ Example

$$\int \frac{x^3 + \frac{3}{2}x^2}{(x^3 + x + 1)^2} dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} p &= x^3 + \frac{3x^2}{2}; \\ q &= (x^3 + x + 1)^2; \\ v &= x^3 + x + 1; \text{ (* the last factor *)} \\ m &= 2; \\ u &= \frac{q}{v^m}; \end{aligned}$$

We need to find such  $a$  and  $b$  that

$$u v' * a + v * b = r, \quad \deg(a) < \deg(v)$$

Using PolynomialExtendedGCD we find  $p_1$  and  $p_2$ , such that

$$u v' * p_1 + v * p_2 = 1$$

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PolynomialExtendedGCD[u * D[v, x], v]
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$$\left\{ 1, \left\{ \frac{4}{31} - \frac{9x}{31} + \frac{6x^2}{31}, \frac{27}{31} - \frac{18x}{31} \right\} \right\}$$

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{p1, p2} = %[[2]];
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Multiply this

$$u v' * p_1 + v * p_2 = 1$$

by  $p$

$$p * u v' * p_1 + p * v * p_2 = p$$

and then decreasing the order of  $p_1 * p$

$$p * p_1 = x * v + y$$

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PolynomialRemainder[p1 * p, v, x]
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$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{x}{2}$$

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PolynomialQuotient[p1 * p, v, x]
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$$-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{6x^2}{31}$$

It follows

$$p_1 * p = \left( \frac{6x^2}{31} - \frac{1}{2} \right) * v + \left( \frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

Substituting this into

$$p * u v' * p_1 + p * v * p_2 = p$$

and collecting terms wrt  $v$ , we get

$$\underbrace{\left( \frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \right)}_a * u * v' + (p_2 * p + \underbrace{\left( \frac{6x^2}{31} - \frac{1}{2} \right)}_b * u * v') * v = p$$

where

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a = PolynomialRemainder[p1 * p, v, x]
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$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{x}{2}$$

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b = Expand[PolynomialQuotient[p1 * p, v, x] * u * D[v, x] +
p2 * p]
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$$-\frac{1}{2}$$

Thus, by Hermite-Ostrogradsky's algorithm

$$\int \frac{p}{q} = \frac{1}{1-m} * \frac{a}{v^{m-1}} + \frac{1}{1-m} * \int \frac{b * (1-m) - u * a'}{u * v^{m-1}}$$

we obtain

$$\int \frac{x^3 + \frac{3}{2} x^2}{(x^3 + x + 1)^2} dx = -\frac{\frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{2}}{x^3 + x + 1}$$

since

$$\frac{b(1-m) - uD[a, x]}{u v^{m-1}}$$

$$0$$

and

$$\frac{a}{(1-m) v^{m-1}}$$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{x}{2}}{-1 - x - x^3}$$

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