

# Integral bases of P-recursive sequences

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- ▶ “Algebraic equations”:  $C(x)[y]$ , commutative:  $xy = yx$

### Algebraic case (finite extension):

- ▶ Given  $\alpha(x) \in \overline{C(x)}$  or equivalently given  $P \in C[x][y]$
- ▶ **Question:** What are integral elements of  $C(x)(\alpha) = C(x)[y]/\langle P \rangle$ ?
- ▶ **Answer:**  $Q$  is integral iff for all  $\alpha(x)$  sol of  $P$ ,  $(Q(\alpha))(x)$  does not have any pole
- ▶ Integral elements form a  $C[x]$ -algebra in  $C(x)[y]$

### Can we compute a basis of that set as a $C[x]$ -module?

- ▶ **Yes:** Trager’s algorithm, van Hoeij’s algorithm
- ▶ **Application:** computation of integrals [Trager 1984]

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## Polynomial and Ore algebras:

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- ▶ “Differential equations”:  $C(x)\langle D \rangle$ , non-commutative:  $Dx = xD + 1$

## Differential case:

- ▶ Given  $L \in C[x]\langle D \rangle$
- ▶ **Question:** What are integral elements of  $C(x)\langle D \rangle / \langle L \rangle$ ?
- ▶ **Answer:**  $B$  is integral iff for all  $\alpha(x)$  sol of  $L$ ,  $(B \cdot \alpha)(x)$  does not have any pole
- ▶ Integral elements form a  $C[x]$ -module in  $C(x)\langle D \rangle$

## Can we compute a basis of that $C[x]$ -module?

- ▶ **Yes:** adaptation of van Hoeij’s algorithm [Kauers, Koutschan 2015]
- ▶ **Application:** computation of integrals [Chen, van Hoeij, Kauers, Koutschan 2018]

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...	-1	0	1	2	3	4	...
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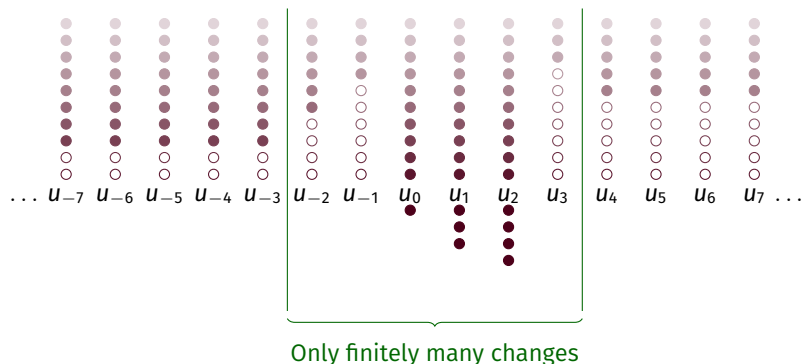
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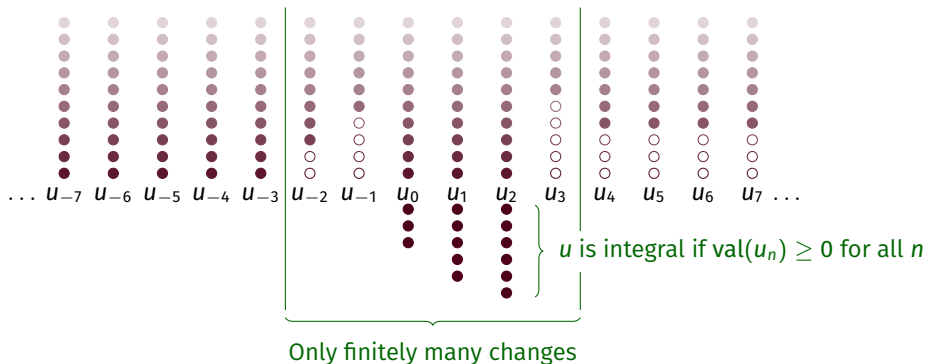
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# Van Hoeij's algorithm for finding integral bases (recurrence case)

**Local algorithm:** exactly the same!

$u^{(1)}, \dots, u^{(r)} \in C((q))^{\mathbb{Z}}$   
basis of solutions of  $L$

**Input.**  $L \in C[x]\langle S \rangle$  with order  $r$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}$

**Output.**  $B_1, \dots, B_r$  basis of  $C(x)\langle S \rangle / \langle L \rangle$  integral at  $\alpha$

1.  $B_1, \dots, B_r \leftarrow$  basis of  $C(x)\langle S \rangle / \langle L \rangle$

$B_1, \dots, B_r \leftarrow 1, \dots, S^{r-1}$

2. For  $d \in \{1, \dots, r\}$ :

3. While  $B_i$  is not integral at  $\alpha$

$B_i \cdot u^{(j)}$  has  $\text{val} < 0$  at  $\alpha$  for some  $j$

4.  $B_i \leftarrow (x - \alpha)B_i$

5. While there exists  $a_1, \dots, a_{d-1} \in C$

such that  $A := \frac{1}{x-\alpha} (a_1 B_1 + \dots + a_{d-1} B_{d-1} - B_d)$  is integral at  $\alpha$

6.  $B_d \leftarrow A$

7. Return  $B_1, \dots, B_r$

$\iff \forall j, (a_1 B_1 + \dots + a_{d-1} B_{d-1} - B_d) \cdot u^{(j)}$  has  $\text{val} > 0$  at  $\alpha$

Linear system of equations



















**Global algorithm:** loop over all  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}$

Only finitely many  
(between the roots of the leading and trailing coefficients of  $L$ )

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$v$	 0	 1	 0	 0	 $-2+O(q)$	 $-2+O(q)$	...
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## Van Hoeij's algorithm for recurrences on an example (2)

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## What have we done?

- ▶ Definition of **integral bases** for P-recursive sequences
- ▶ Generalization of Van Hoeij's algorithm for computing them
- ▶ Implementation in the SageMath package `ore_algebra`

## Why do we care?

- ▶ In the differential case, integral bases can be used to compute integrals
- ▶ We hope that in the recurrence case, they can be used to compute sums
- ▶ **Future work: s/hope/prove/**

## What if it is the wrong definition for that?

- ▶ The definitions and the algorithm generalize to **valued vector spaces**
- ▶ No particularly restricting hypothesis
- ▶ So if the definition is wrong, we only have to find the correct one!

# Thank you for your attention!

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