# ENHANCING THE CLASSICAL ALGORITHM BY Oaku for the computation of Bernstein-Sato Polynomials

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#### INTRODUCTION AND NOTATIONS

#### BASIC NOTATIONS

- $\mathbb{C}$  the field of the complex numbers.
- $\mathbb{C}[s]$  the ring of polynomials in one variable over  $\mathbb{C}$ .
- $R_n = \mathbb{C}[x_1, \ldots, x_n]$  the ring of polynomials in *n* variables.
- D<sub>n</sub> = ℂ[x<sub>1</sub>,...,x<sub>n</sub>]⟨∂<sub>1</sub>,...,∂<sub>n</sub>⟩ the ring of ℂ-linear differential operators on R<sub>n</sub>, the n-th Weyl algebra:

$$\partial_i x_i = x_i \partial_i + 1$$

•  $D_n[s]$  the ring of polynomials in one variable over  $D_n$ .

# THE $D_n[s]$ -MODULE $R_n[s, \frac{1}{f}] \cdot f^s$

- Let  $f \in R_n$  be a non-zero polynomial.
- By  $R_n[s, \frac{1}{f}]$  we denote the ring of rational functions of the form

$$\frac{g(\mathbf{x},s)}{f^r}$$

where  $g(\mathbf{x}, s) \in R_n[s] = \mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n, s]$ .

- We denote by  $M = R_n[s, \frac{1}{f}] \cdot f^s$  the free  $R_n[s, \frac{1}{f}]$ -module of rank one generated by the symbol  $f^s$ .
- $R_n[s, \frac{1}{f}] \cdot f^s$  has a natural structure of left  $D_n[s]$ -module.

$$\partial_i \cdot f^s = s \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \frac{1}{f} \cdot f^s \quad \in \quad R_n[s, \frac{1}{f}] \cdot f^s$$

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#### DEFINITION (Bernstein & Sato)

The set of all possible polynomials b(s) satisfying the above equation is an ideal of  $\mathbb{C}[s]$ . The monic generator of this ideal is denoted by  $b_f(s)$  and called the Bernstein-Sato polynomial of f.

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#### Remark

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- We need two algorithms.

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## Algorithm 1

**Algorithm 1** (check whether  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}$  is a root of the *b*-function)

Input:  $I = \operatorname{ann}_{D_n[s]}(f^s)$ , f a polynomial in  $R_n$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}$ ; Output: **true** if  $\alpha$  is a root of  $b_f(-s)$ , **false** otherwise;

J := I<sub>|s=-α</sub> + ⟨f⟩; ▷ J ⊆ D<sub>n</sub>
G a reduced Gröbner basis of J w.r.t. any term ordering;
if G ≠ {1} then return true else return false end if

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- $J_i = \operatorname{ann}_{D_n[s]}(f^s) + \langle f, (s + \alpha)^{i+1} \rangle \subseteq D_n[s].$

The following conditions are equivalent:

 $m_{\alpha} > i.$ 

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$$(s + \alpha)^i \notin J_i$$
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## Algorithm 2

Algorithm 2 (compute the multiplicity of  $\alpha$  as a root of  $b_f(-s)$ )

Input:  $I = \operatorname{ann}_{D_n[s]}(f^s)$ , f a polynomial in  $R_n$ ,  $\alpha$  in  $\mathbb{Q}$ ; Output:  $m_{\alpha}$ , the multiplicity of  $\alpha$  as a root of  $b_f(-s)$ ;

for i = 0 to n do  $I := I + \langle f, (s + \alpha)^{i+1} \rangle;$  $\triangleright$   $J_i \subset D_n[s]$ 2 G a reduced Gröbner basis of J w.r.t. any term ordering; **3** *r* normal form of  $(s + \alpha)^i$  with respect to *G*;  $\triangleright r = 0 \iff (s + \alpha)^i \in J_i$ **a** if r = 0 then  $\triangleright$  leave the **for** block  $m_{\alpha} = i;$  break end if end for return  $m_{\alpha}$ 

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## **REMEMBER THE IDEA FOR COMPUTING** $b_f(s)$

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What about the first step ?

## APPLICATIONS

Let us see the following applications:

- **1** Computations of the *b*-functions via **embedded** resolutions.
- Occupation of the b-function of deformation of singularities.
- An algorithm for computing the minimal integral root of  $b_f(s)$  without computing the whole Bernstein-Sato polynomial.

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#### THEOREM (Kashiwara).

There exists an integer  $k \ge 0$  such that  $b_f(s)$  is a divisor of the product  $b_F(s)b_F(s+1)\cdots b_F(s+k)$ .

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• Using algorithms 1 and 2, we have proved that the numbers in red are the roots of  $b_f(s)$ , all of them with multiplicity one.

#### EXAMPLE

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Let us consider the following example:

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$$A = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_4 \\ x_5 & x_6 & x_7 & x_8 \\ x_9 & x_{10} & x_{11} & x_{12} \end{pmatrix}$$

•  $\Delta_i$  determinant of the minor resulting from deleting the *i*-th column of *A*, *i* = 1, 2, 3, 4.

• 
$$f = \Delta_1 \Delta_2 \Delta_3 \Delta_4 \in \mathbb{C}[x_1, \ldots, x_{12}].$$

From Kashiwara, the possible integral roots of  $b_f(-s)$  are

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11, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1.\\
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Using the algorithm 1, we have proved that the minimal integral root of  $b_f(s)$  is -1.

## dmod.lib JOINT WORK WITH V. LEVANDOVSKYY

At the moment the SINGULAR library dmod.lib for algebraic *D*-modules contains the following main procedures:

- Sannfs: computes a system of generators of ann<sub>D[s]</sub>(f<sup>s</sup>).
- Sannfslog: computes a system of generators of ann<sup>(1)</sup><sub>D[s]</sub>(f<sup>s</sup>).
- SannfsParam: computes a system of generators of ann<sub>D[s]</sub>(f<sup>s</sup>) when f has parameters.
- checkRoot
- annfs
- operator: computes P(s) such that  $P(s)f^{s+1} = b_f(s)f^s$ .
- isHolonomic: checks whether a module given by a presentation is holonomic.

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## THANK YOU VERY MUCH!

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