

Binomial Ideal Associated to a Lattice and Its Label Code

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Extended abstract

In coding theory the study of the binomial ideal derived from an arbitrary code is currently of great interest; see for example [5]. This is mainly because of a known relation between binomial ideals and lattices or codes. Also, studying the relation between binomial ideals associated to a lattice and its label code helps to solve the closest vector problem in lattices as well as decoding binary and non-binary codes [1, 3] and finding a label code of a lattice, as we do in this work.

Every lattice Λ can be described in terms of a label code L and an orthogonal sublattice Λ' such that $\Lambda/\Lambda' \cong L$ [2]. We assign binomial ideals I_Λ and I_L to an integer lattice Λ and its label code L , respectively. In this work, we identify the binomial ideal associated to an integer lattice and then establish the relation $I_\Lambda = I_{\Lambda'} + I_L$ between the ideal of the lattice and its label code.

In this work, we define a binomial ideal for an integer lattice and its label code slightly different from [1, 3, 4, 7].

Let $K[X] = K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ denote the polynomial ring, where K is an arbitrary field. Consider \prec as a fixed total degree compatible term order with $x_1 \succ x_2 \succ \dots \succ x_n$. The monomials in $K[X]$ are denoted by $X^{\mathbf{b}} = x_1^{b_1} \dots x_n^{b_n}$ where $\mathbf{b} = (b_1, \dots, b_n)$ is an element of \mathbb{N}_0^n and \mathbb{N}_0 is the set of non-negative integers.

We use the notation

$$X^{\mathbf{a}} = X^{\mathbf{a}^+} - X^{\mathbf{a}^-} := \prod_{i:a_i>0} x_i^{a_i} - \prod_{j:a_j<0} x_j^{-a_j},$$

where $(\mathbf{a}^+)_i = \max\{a_i, 0\}$ and $\mathbf{a}^- = (-\mathbf{a})^+ \geq 0$. Also an *associated binomial ideal* I_Λ to Λ is defined as

$$I_\Lambda := (X^{\alpha^+} - X^{\alpha^-} : \alpha \in \Lambda).$$

Let y be a new variable. We identify $x_1 x_2 \dots x_n y$ with 1 by means of the equation, $x_1 x_2 \dots x_n y - 1 = 0$. In fact, we translate the relation between binomials into a quotient ring

$$S = K[x_1, \dots, x_n, y]/(x_1 \dots x_n y - 1).$$

The equivalence class of $x_1 \dots x_{k-1} x_{k+1} \dots x_n y$ is denoted by x_k^{-1} .

Sturmfels et al. [7] give the ideal of an integer lattice based on its generating set whose elements have only positive summation. This is summarized in the following theorem.

Theorem 1 *Let $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n\} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^n$ be a generating set for the lattice Λ . If all coordinates in the sum of the vectors in $\mathcal{B} \cap \mathbb{N}_0^n$ are positive, then the ideal I_Λ coincides with*

$$I_{\mathcal{B}} := (X^{b_i^+} - X^{b_i^-} : i = 1, \dots, n).$$

In this work, by extending the polynomial ring $K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ to S , we generalize Sturmfels' result to any arbitrary generating set of the lattice. Theorem 1 deals with vectors of $\mathcal{B} \cap \mathbb{N}_0^n$ with positive summation only. Without any additional condition on the basis vectors, we show that a binomial ideal associated to any generating set of Λ is equal to its binomial ideal in the quotient ring S .

Theorem 2 *Let $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n\} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^n$ be a generating set of an integer lattice Λ . Then the binomial ideal*

$$I_{\mathcal{B}} = (X^{\mathbf{b}_i^+} - X^{\mathbf{b}_i^-} : i = 1, \dots, n)$$

associated with \mathcal{B} is equal to I_{Λ} in the polynomial ring S .

Then, we establish a relation between I_{Λ} and I_L for a Generalized Construction A lattices and derive the same relation for every arbitrary integer lattice.

Theorem 3 *Let Λ be an integer lattice in Generalized Construction A form which has the representation*

$$\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}^n \text{diag}(g_1, \dots, g_n) + L,$$

where L is a subgroup of a group code $G = \mathbb{Z}_{g_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}_{g_n}$ and $\text{diag}(\cdot)$ is a diagonal matrix. Then we have in S that

$$I_{\Lambda} = I_{\Lambda'} + I_L,$$

where I_L and $I_{\Lambda'}$ are binomial ideals associated to a group code L and an orthogonal sublattice $\Lambda' = \mathbb{Z}^n \text{diag}(g_1, \dots, g_n)$, respectively. Also for an integer lattice with decomposition $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}^n C(\Lambda) + LP(\Lambda)$ we have

$$I_{\Lambda} = I_{\Lambda'} + I_{L'},$$

where $I_{L'}$ is a binomial ideal associated to the group $L' = LP(\Lambda)$.

As an application of our work, using Theorem 3 and the result in Saleemi and Zimmerman [6], we give a method to obtain a linear label code of the lattice using its Gröbner basis.

Keywords

Lattice, label code, binomial ideal, Gröbner basis

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