

A Fast Algorithm for Computing the Truncated Resultant

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Resultant definition

Given two polynomials in $\mathbb{C}[y]$:

- $P = p_0 y^d + \dots + p_d$ with roots $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_d$
- $Q = q_0 y^d + \dots + q_d$ with roots τ_1, \dots, τ_d

Definition: Resultant

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Res}(P, Q) &= p_0^d q_0^d \prod_{i,j} (\sigma_i - \tau_j) \\ &= p_0^d \boxed{Q}(\sigma_1) \cdots \boxed{Q}(\sigma_d) \\ &= (-1)^{d^2} q_0^d \boxed{P}(\tau_1) \cdots \boxed{P}(\tau_d) \end{aligned}$$

Resultant definition

Coefficients in any ring R :

- \mathbb{C}
- \mathbb{K}
- $\mathbb{K}[x]$
- $\mathbb{K}[x]/\langle x^k \rangle$

The **Resultant** is the determinant of the Sylvester Matrix

Definition: Sylvester matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & & d+1 & d+2 & d+3 & \dots \\ p_0 & & & & q_0 & & & & \\ p_1 & p_0 & & & q_1 & q_0 & & & \\ p_2 & p_1 & p_0 & & q_2 & q_1 & q_0 & & \\ p_3 & p_2 & p_1 & p_0 & q_3 & q_2 & q_1 & q_0 & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

Why compute the first terms of the resultant?

- **Numeric-symbolic algorithms**: first 2 terms for Newton operator
- **Analytic functions**: often handled modulo x^k

Fast algorithm to compute the resultant

- Coefficients in a **field**
 - Half-gcd algorithm: $\tilde{O}(d)$ [Knuth, Schönhage 1970]
- Coefficients in the **ring** $R = p$ -**adic numbers**
 - Euclidean algorithm: precision k in $\tilde{O}(d^2 k)$ average time [Caruso 2015]
- Coefficients in the **ring** $R = \mathbb{K}[x]/\langle x^k \rangle$
 - R **not integral**
 - $R[y]$ **not factorial**
 - Regular case: $\tilde{O}(dk)$
 - Division-free determinant algorithm: $\tilde{O}(d^{2.698} k)$ [Kaltofen, Villard 2004]

Coefficients in a field: Euclidean algorithm

$$r_0 := P$$

$$r_1 := Q$$

$$r_0 - q_1 r_1 = r_2$$

$$r_1 - q_2 r_2 = r_3$$

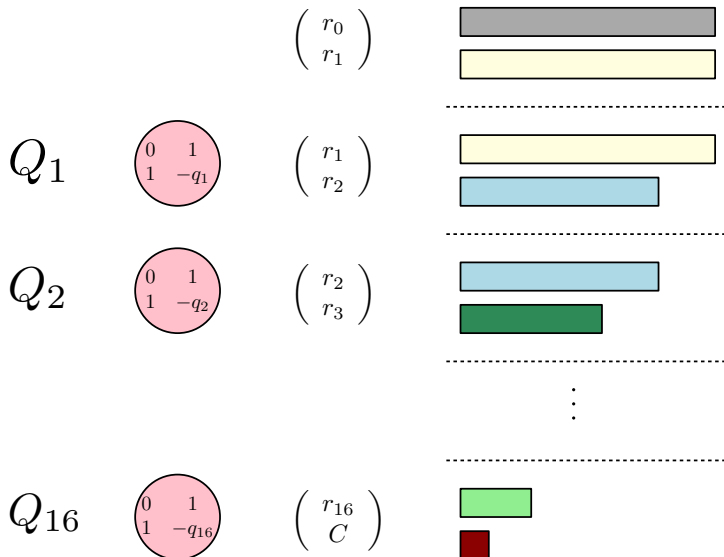
$$r_2 - q_3 r_3 = r_4$$

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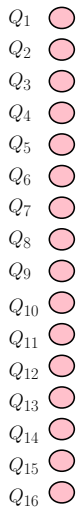
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$$r_{15} - q_{16} r_{16} = C$$

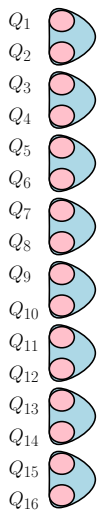
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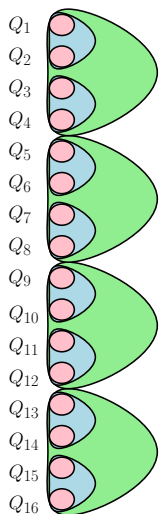
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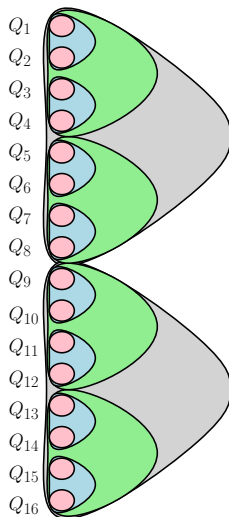
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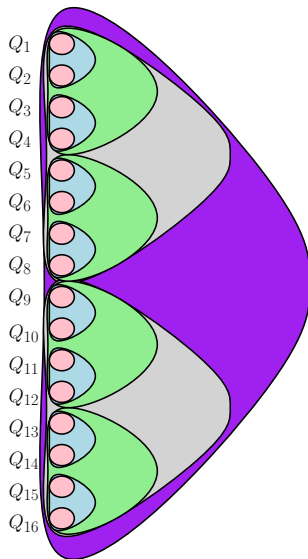
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Q_1 

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Q_1 ○
 Q_2 ○

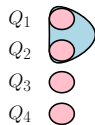
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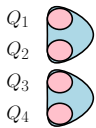
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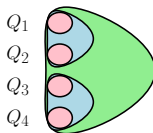
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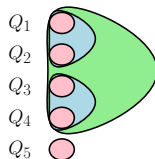
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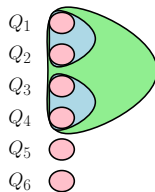
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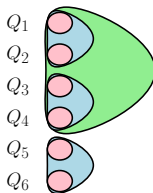
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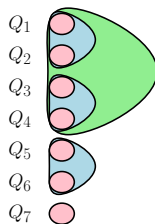
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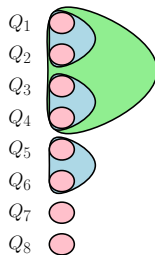
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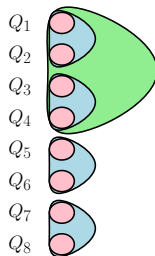
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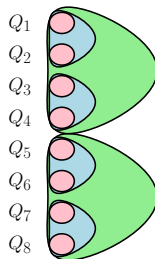
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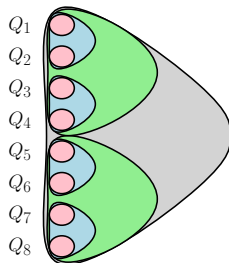
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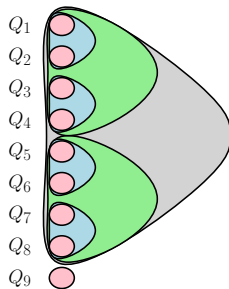
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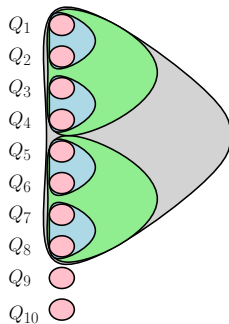
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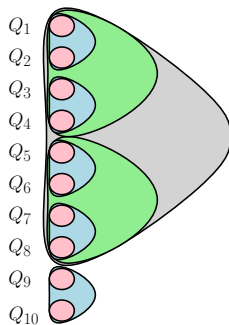
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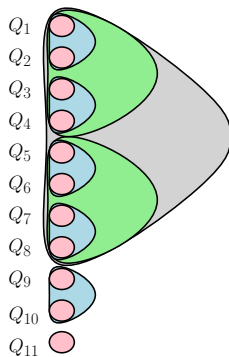
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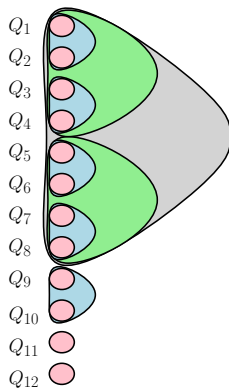
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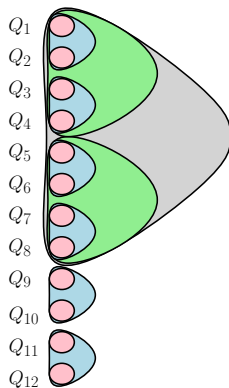
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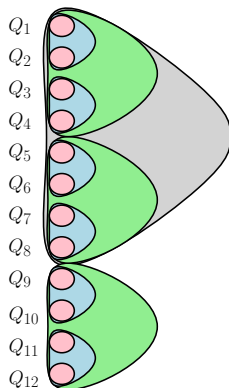
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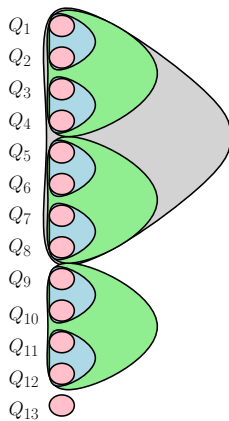
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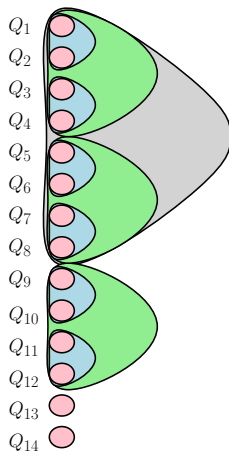
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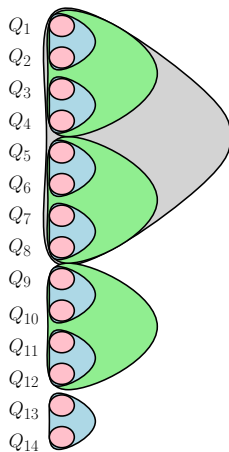
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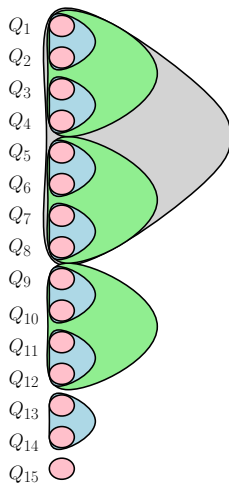
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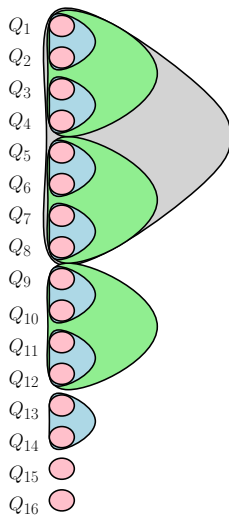
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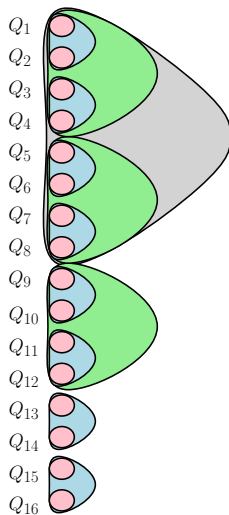
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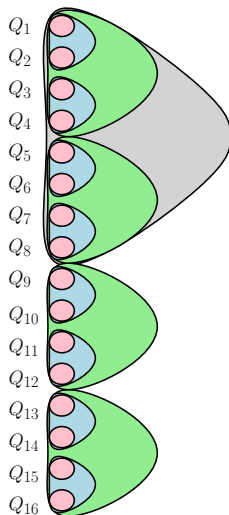
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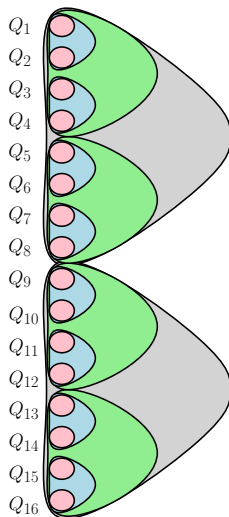
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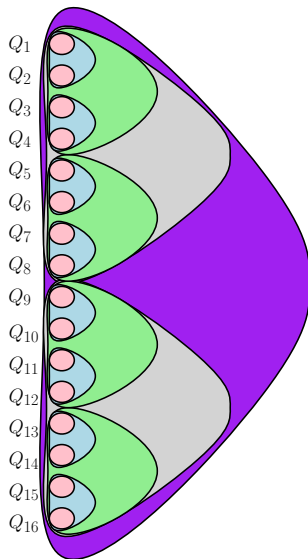
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Coefficient in the ring $R = \mathbb{K}[x]/\langle x^k \rangle$

- Pseudo-euclidean division not well-defined

Example: pseudo-euclidean division ill-defined for $k=5$

$$P = y^{10} + y$$

$$Q = xy + 1$$

$$x^{10}P - (x^9y^9 + \dots - 1)Q = 1 - x^9$$

A differential equation: $P(y)$ and $Q(x, y)$ monic

- **Definition of the resultant**

$$\text{Res}(P, Q) = Q(x, \sigma_1) \cdots Q(x, \sigma_d)$$

- **Logarithmic derivative**

$$\frac{\partial_x \text{Res}(P, Q)}{\text{Res}(P, Q)} = \frac{\partial_x Q(\sigma_1)}{Q(\sigma_1)} + \cdots + \frac{\partial_x Q(\sigma_d)}{Q(\sigma_d)}$$

- **Assume U and V such that**

$$UP + VQ = 1$$

- **Sum of $V\partial_x Q$ over the polynomial roots of P**

$$\frac{\partial_x \text{Res}(P, Q)}{\text{Res}(P, Q)} = \text{coeff}_{y^{d-1}}(V\partial_x Q \partial_y P \text{ rem}_y P)$$

Algorithm in the general case

- 1 Compute U , V and t minimal such that

$$UP + VQ = x^t$$

- 2 Compute the first non-zero term of $\text{Res}(P, Q)$
- 3 Solve the differential equation

$$x^t \frac{\partial_x \text{Res}}{\text{Res}} = \text{coeff}_{y^{d-1}}(V \partial_x Q \partial_y P \text{ rem}_y P) \\ + \text{coeff}_{y^{d-1}}(U \partial_x P \partial_y Q \text{ rem}_y Q)$$

Theorem: fast computation of the resultant modulo x^k

$$\text{Res}(P, Q) \pmod{x^k}$$

can be computed in $\tilde{O}(dk)$ operations in \mathbb{K} .

Solving the differential equation

- Bostan, Chowdhury, Lebreton, Salvy, Schost. 2012.
Power series solutions of singular (q)-differential equations.

Computing the first non-zero term of $\text{Res}(P, Q)$

- Recurrence relation

Computing $UP + VQ = x^t$

- $t = 0$: standard half-gcd algorithm
- $t \geq 1$: variant of the half-gcd algorithm

First non-zero coefficient

Assume that we can compute in $\tilde{O}(dt)$ operations U, V and t minimal such that:

$$UP + VQ = x^t \bmod x^{t+1}$$

Lemma: recurrence relation on the resultant

If P is normal, we can find in $\tilde{O}(dt)$ operations N normal, M and W such that:

$$MP + NQ = x^t \bmod x^{t+1}$$

and

$$\text{Res}(P, Q) = x^{t(d_P - d_N)} (-1)^{d_P d_N} \frac{\text{LC}(P)^{d_N + d_Q}}{\text{LC}(N)^{d_M + d_P}} (1 + xW) \text{Res}(N, M)$$

Lemma: first non-zero coefficient

The valuation μ and the first non-zero coefficient of $\text{Res}(P, Q)$ can be computed in $\tilde{O}(d\mu)$ operations.

Computing $UP + VQ = G$ in $\mathbb{C}[y]$

Given 2 polynomials in $\mathbb{C}[y]$

$$\begin{array}{l} \boxed{P} = \boxed{G} \cdot \boxed{A} \\ \boxed{Q} = \boxed{G} \cdot \boxed{B} \end{array}$$

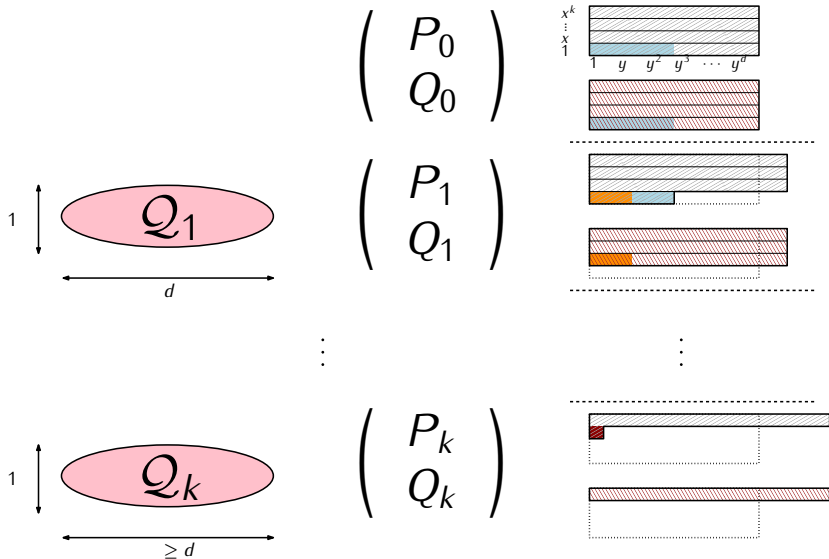
Compute the extended gcd

$$\boxed{U} \cdot \boxed{A} + \boxed{V} \cdot \boxed{B} = \boxed{1}$$

Define the matrix Q

$$Q := \left(\begin{array}{cc} \boxed{U} & \boxed{V} \\ \boxed{B} & \boxed{-A} \end{array} \right) \left(\begin{array}{c} \boxed{P} \\ \boxed{Q} \\ \boxed{G} \\ \boxed{0} \end{array} \right)$$

Computing $UP + VQ = x^t \bmod x^{t+1}$



Half-gcd variant



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Q_2

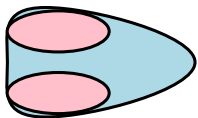


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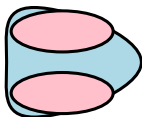


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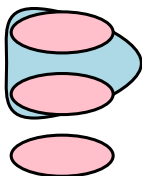
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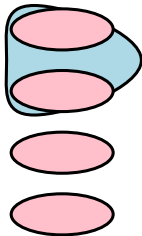
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Q_4



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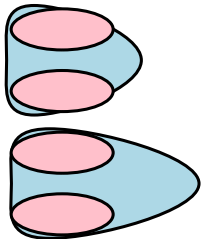
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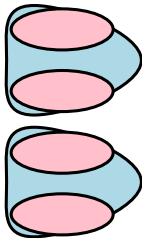
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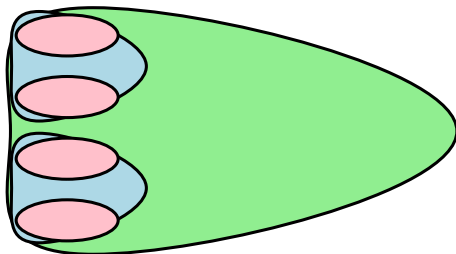
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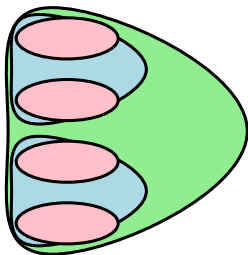
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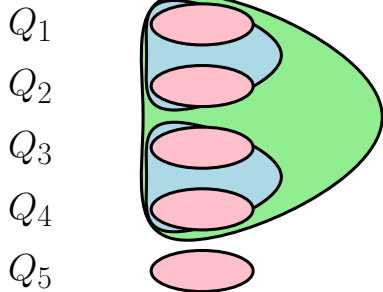
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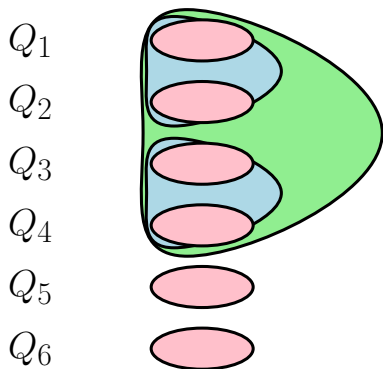
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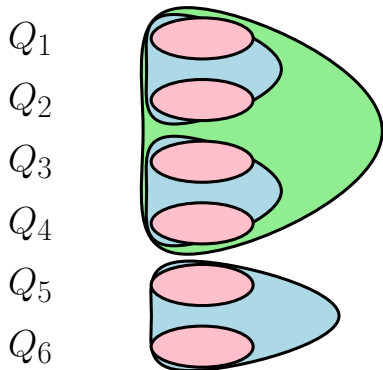
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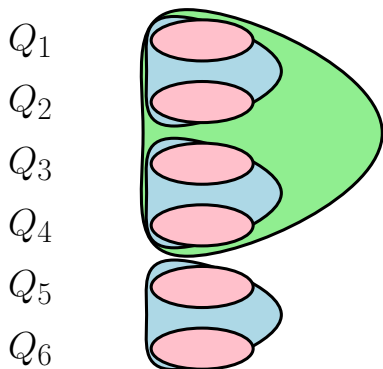
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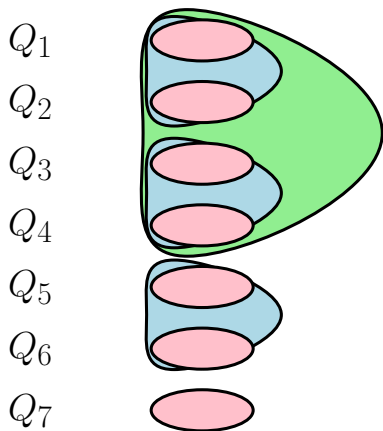


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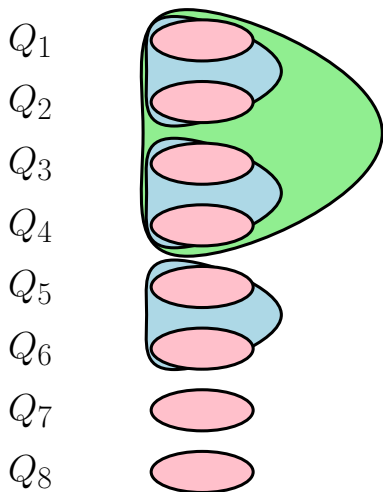


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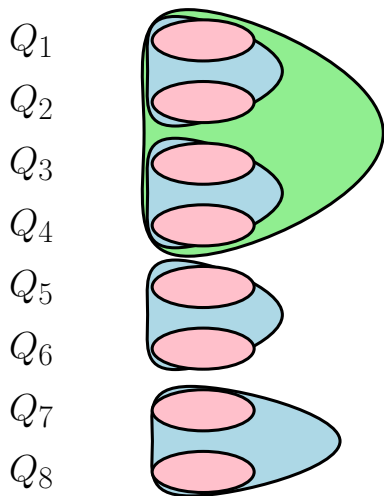
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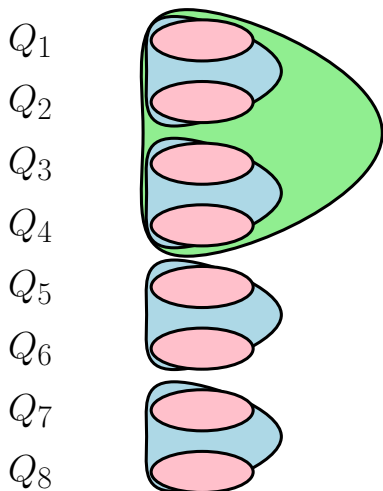
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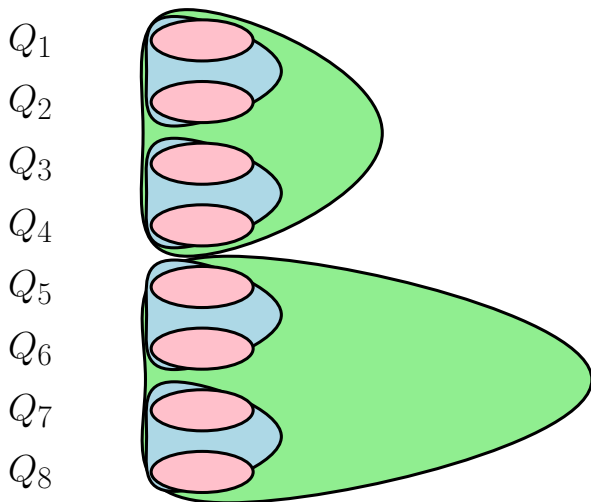
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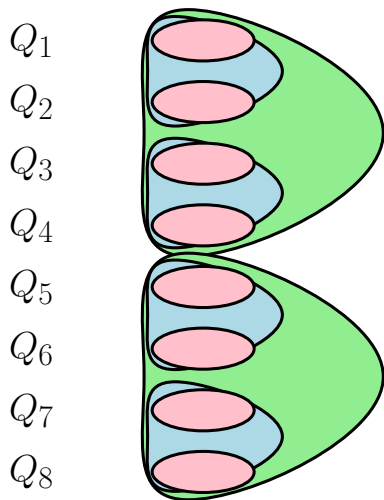
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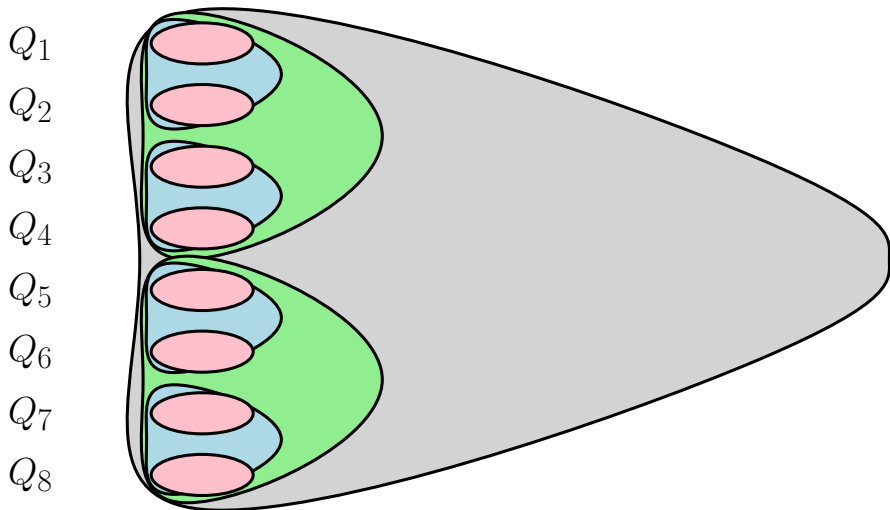
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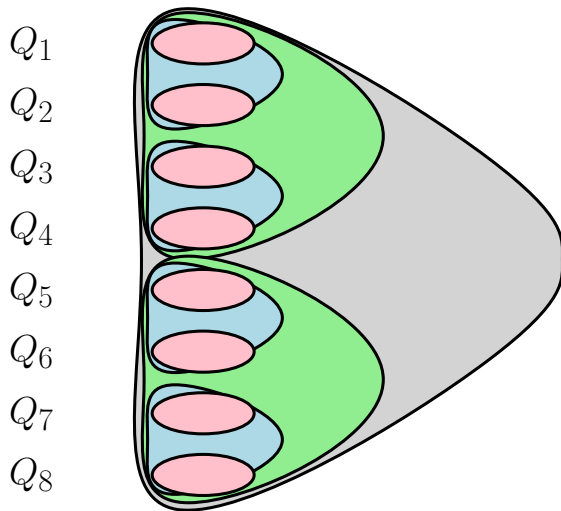
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Comparison with classical half-gcd

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def GenericHalfgcd(n,s):  
  s := projection(s,delay(n)+1)  
  m := v(s) + n  
  if n <= 0 or s=(0,0) then  
    return Id  
  R := GenericHalfgcd(n/2, s)  
  u := R . s  
  Q := conditionalQ(u, m - v(u))  
  t := Q . u  
  S := GenericHalfgcd(m - v(t), t)  
  return phi(S . Q . R, s, n)
```

	Classical	Our case
projection	Highest coefficients in y	Smallest coefficients in x
v	Opposite of the degree in y	Valuation in x
conditionalQ	Euclidian quotient	Extended gcd
phi $\left(\begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}, (P, Q), n\right)$	$\begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} A \operatorname{rem}_y Q & B \operatorname{rem}_y P \\ C \operatorname{rem}_y Q & D \operatorname{rem}_y P \end{pmatrix} \bmod x^{n+1}$

Theorem: pseudo-inverse

Given a pair $s = (P, Q)$, the **GenericHalfgcd** algorithm returns U, V and the smallest t such that:

$$UP + VQ = x^t \bmod x^{t+1}$$

in $\tilde{O}(dt)$ operations.

Result

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