

Lattices

Mathematical background

Lattices

- \mathbb{R}^n : n -dimensional Euclidean space. That is,
$$\mathbb{R}^n = \left\{ (x_1, \dots, x_n)^T : x_i \in \mathbb{R}, 1 \leq i \leq n \right\}.$$
- If $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)^T$, $\mathbf{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_n)^T$, then
 - $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \sum_i x_i y_i$ (inner product of \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y})
 - $\|\mathbf{x}\| = \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle^{1/2}$ (Euclidean length or norm of \mathbf{x})
 - $\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|$: Euclidean distance between \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} .
- **Definition 1:** A **lattice** L in \mathbb{R}^n is a discrete subgroup of \mathbb{R}^n .
 - subgroup: if $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in L$, then $\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y} \in L$.
 - discrete: $\exists \varepsilon > 0$ s.t. $\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\| \geq \varepsilon$ for all $\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{y} \in L$.

- **Definition 2:** An n -dimensional **lattice** of **rank** m is a subset $L \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ of the form $L = \{x_1 \mathbf{b}_1 + \cdots + x_m \mathbf{b}_m : x_i \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ where $\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_m$ are linearly independent vectors in \mathbb{R}^n .
 - Every vector in L is an **integer** linear combination of $\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_m$.
 - **Basis:** $\mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_m)$ is called a **basis** of L .
 - L has **full rank** if $m = n$. We will be mostly interested in full rank lattices, and call them n -dimensional lattices.
- We denote by $L(\mathbf{B})$ the lattice generated by \mathbf{B} . Thus, if \mathbf{B} is a basis, then $L(\mathbf{B}) = \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbb{Z}^m = \{\mathbf{B}\mathbf{x} : \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}^m\}$.

- Let $\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_m \in \mathbb{R}^n$ (not necessarily linearly independent).

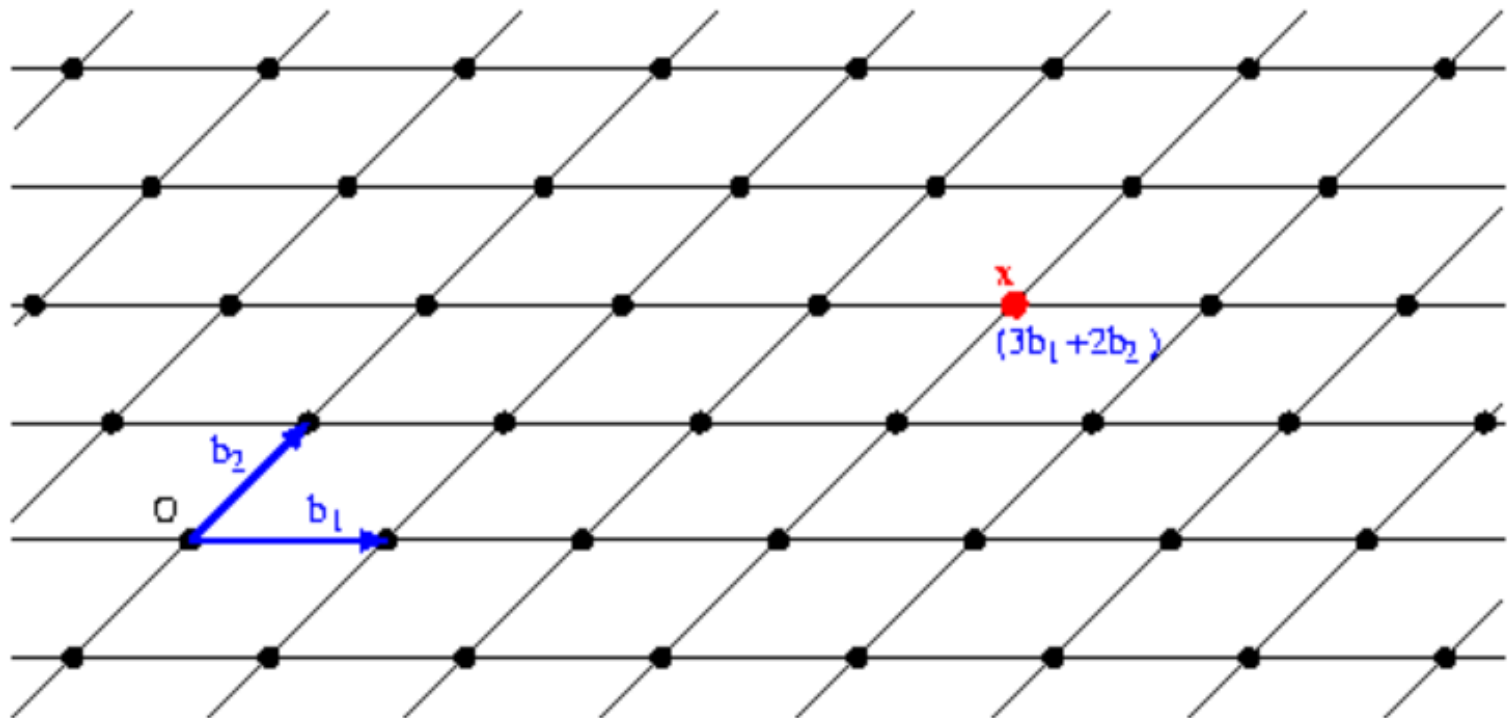
$$\text{Let } L(\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_m) \triangleq \{x_1 \mathbf{b}_1 + \dots + x_m \mathbf{b}_m : x_i \in \mathbb{Z}\}.$$

- Theorem. $L(\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_m)$ is a lattice
 - if $\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_m \in \mathbb{Q}^n$, or
 - if $\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_m$ are linearly independent.
- When $L(\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_m)$ is a lattice, $(\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_m)$ is said to be a **generator**. If the \mathbf{b}_i 's are further linearly independent, then $(\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_m)$ is a **basis**.

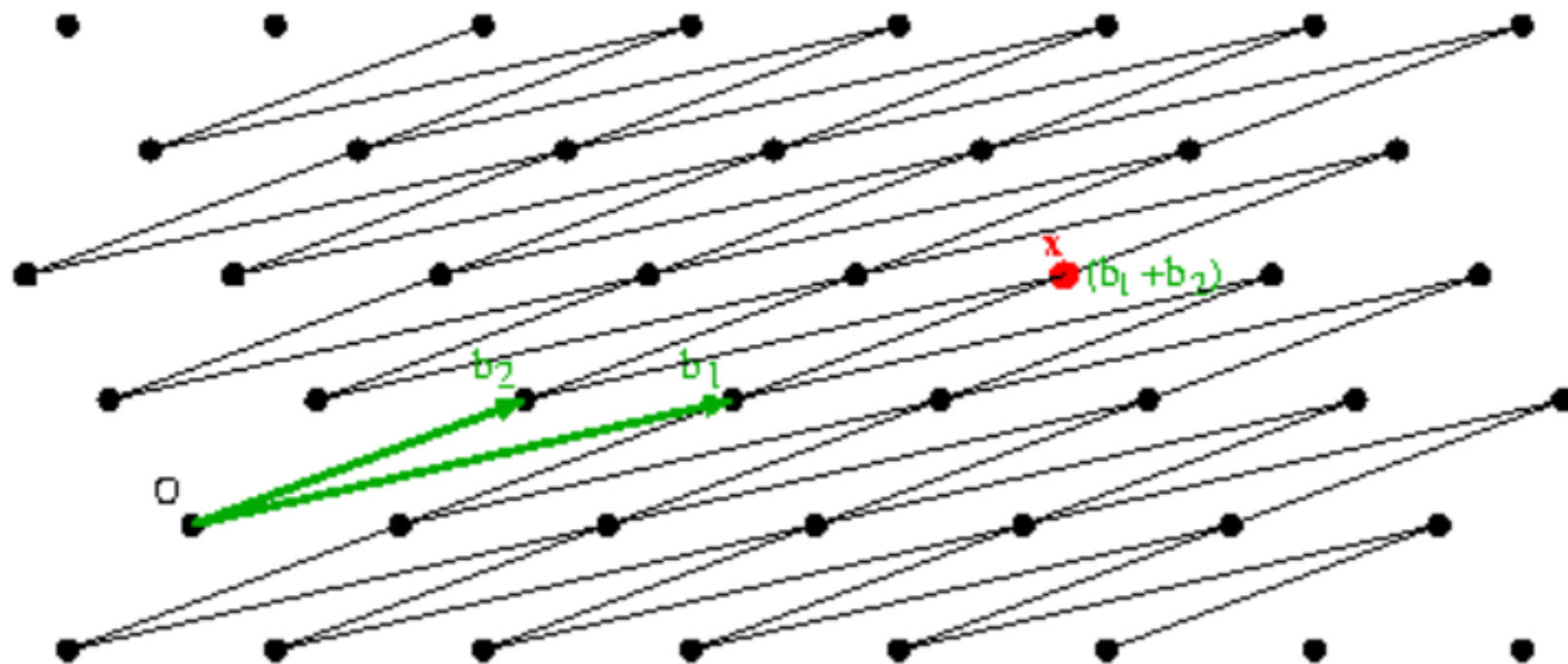
Example lattices

- Zero lattice: $\mathbf{0}$.
- Lattice of integers: \mathbb{Z}^n .
- Integral lattices : sublattices of \mathbb{Z}^n .
- $\Lambda_q^\perp(\mathbf{A}) \triangleq \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}^m : \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0} \pmod{q}\}$, where $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{Z}^{n \times m}$ is a matrix of dimensions $n \times m$, and q an integer.
- $L(1, \sqrt{2}) = \{x + \sqrt{2}y : x, y \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ is **not** a lattice, for there exists a sequence of rationals $(x_n/y_n)_{n \geq 1}$ s.t. $x_n/y_n \rightarrow \sqrt{2}$.

A Lattice in 2 dimensions



A different basis for the same lattice



Lattice Bases

- **Unimodular matrix:** square, having integer entries, and determinant = ± 1 .
- If $\mathbf{A} = (a_{ij})$ and $\det \mathbf{A} \neq 0$, then $\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det \mathbf{A}} (c_{ij})$, where
$$c_{ij} = (-1)^{i+j} \det \mathbf{A}_{ji},$$
$$\mathbf{A}_{ji} = \mathbf{A} \text{ with row } j \text{ and column } i \text{ omitted.}$$
Furthermore, $\det \mathbf{A}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det \mathbf{A}}$.
- If \mathbf{A} is unimodular, then \mathbf{A}^{-1} is unimodular.

Theorem: Two bases \mathbf{B} and \mathbf{C} generate the same lattice, i.e., $L(\mathbf{B}) = L(\mathbf{C})$, iff $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{U}$ for some unimodular matrix \mathbf{U} .

Proof: (\Leftarrow) Assume $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{U}$, \mathbf{U} unimodular. Then $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{U}^{-1}$, \mathbf{U}^{-1} unimodular.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{U} \Rightarrow L(\mathbf{B}) \subseteq L(\mathbf{C}) \\ \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{U}^{-1} \Rightarrow L(\mathbf{C}) \subseteq L(\mathbf{B}) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow L(\mathbf{B}) = L(\mathbf{C}).$$

(\Rightarrow) Assume $L(\mathbf{B}) = L(\mathbf{C})$. Each $\mathbf{b}_i \in \mathbf{B}$ is in the lattice, hence

$\mathbf{b}_i = \mathbf{C} \cdot \mathbf{v}_i$ for some $\mathbf{v}_i \in \mathbb{Z}^m$, $1 \leq i \leq m$, and $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{V}$, where

$\mathbf{V} = (\mathbf{v}_i)$. Similarly, $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{W}$ for some square **integer** matrix \mathbf{W} .

Hence $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{W}\mathbf{V} \Rightarrow \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{W}\mathbf{V}) = \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{W}\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{0}$ (\mathbf{B} lin. indep.)

$\Rightarrow \det \mathbf{W} \cdot \det \mathbf{V} = \det \mathbf{W}\mathbf{V} = \det \mathbf{I} = 1 \Rightarrow \det \mathbf{W} = \det \mathbf{V} = \pm 1$.

- For each $n > 1$, there is an infinite number of n -dimensional unimodular matrices.
- For example, $\begin{pmatrix} a & a-1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ is unimodular for any $a \in \mathbb{Z}$.
- Each lattice of rank $n > 1$ has an infinite number of bases.

Fundamental Parallelepiped

- Let $\mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be a full rank basis.

- Fundamental parallelepiped associated to \mathbf{B} :

$$P(\mathbf{B}) = \left\{ \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{x} : \mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)^T, 0 \leq x_i < 1 \right\}.$$

- Centered fundamental parallelepiped:

$$C(\mathbf{B}) = \left\{ \mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{x} : \mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)^T, -1/2 \leq x_i < 1/2 \right\}.$$

- $P(\mathbf{B})$ and $C(\mathbf{B})$ are half open.

- The translates $\{P(\mathbf{B}) + \mathbf{v} : \mathbf{v} \in L(\mathbf{B})\}$ form a partition of the whole space \mathbb{R}^n :

$$\mathbb{R}^n = \bigcup_{\mathbf{v} \in L(\mathbf{B})} (P(\mathbf{B}) + \mathbf{v})$$

- For any $\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, there exists a unique point $\mathbf{r} \in P(\mathbf{B})$ s.t. $\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{r} \in L(\mathbf{B})$. This unique \mathbf{r} is denoted by **$\mathbf{t} \bmod \mathbf{B}$** .
- **$\mathbf{t} \bmod \mathbf{B}$** can be computed efficiently as:

$$\mathbf{t} \bmod \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{t} - \mathbf{B} \cdot \lfloor \mathbf{B}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{t} \rfloor$$

where $\lfloor \mathbf{x} \rfloor$ rounds \mathbf{x} 's coordinates x_i to $\lfloor x_i \rfloor$.

- Similarly, the translates $\{C(\mathbf{B}) + \mathbf{v} : \mathbf{v} \in L(\mathbf{B})\}$ form a partition of the whole space \mathbb{R}^n :

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- For any $\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, there exists a unique point $\mathbf{r} \in C(\mathbf{B})$ s.t. $\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{r} \in L(\mathbf{B})$. Let's denote this unique \mathbf{r} is also by $\mathbf{t} \bmod \mathbf{B}$.
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where $\lfloor \mathbf{x} \rfloor$ rounds \mathbf{x} 's coordinates to the nearest integer.

Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization

- A basis $\mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n)$ of a vector space is **orthogonal** if $\langle \mathbf{b}_i, \mathbf{b}_j \rangle = 0$ for $i \neq j$. \mathbf{B} is **orthonormal** if $\langle \mathbf{b}_i, \mathbf{b}_i \rangle = \delta_{ij}$, where δ_{ij} is Kronecker's delta.
- Any basis $\mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n)$ can be transformed into an orthogonal basis $\mathbf{B}^* = (\mathbf{b}_1^*, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n^*)$ using the well-known Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization process:
 - $\mathbf{b}_1^* = \mathbf{b}_1$.
 - $\mathbf{b}_i^* = \mathbf{b}_i - \sum_{j < i} \mu_{i,j} \mathbf{b}_j^*$ where $\mu_{i,j} = \frac{\langle \mathbf{b}_i, \mathbf{b}_j^* \rangle}{\langle \mathbf{b}_j^*, \mathbf{b}_j^* \rangle} = \frac{\langle \mathbf{b}_i, \mathbf{b}_j^* \rangle}{\|\mathbf{b}_j^*\|^2}$.

Determinant

- $\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$: full rank bases.

\mathbf{B}^* : the Gram-Schmidt basis of \mathbf{B} .

- **Theorem 1:** If \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C} are two bases of the same lattice, then

$$\det \mathbf{B} = \pm \det \mathbf{C}. \quad \text{Also, } |\det \mathbf{B}| = \prod_i \|\mathbf{b}_i^*\|.$$

- **Definition:** The **determinant** of a lattice $\Lambda = L(\mathbf{B})$ is

$$\det \Lambda = \det L(\mathbf{B}) = \text{vol}(P(\mathbf{B})) = \prod_i \|\mathbf{b}_i^*\| = |\det \mathbf{B}|.$$

- This quantity is an invariant of Λ , independent of bases.

Hermite normal form

- A square, non-singular, integer or rational matrix $\mathbf{B} = (b_{ij})$ is in Hermite normal form (HNF) iff
 - \mathbf{B} is **lower triangular** ($b_{ij} = 0$ for $i < j$)
 - For all $j < i$, $0 \leq b_{ij} < b_{ii}$.
- Some authors prefer using **upper triangular** matrices.

- Examples:
$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 7 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & 3 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

HNF for singular or non-square matrices

- An integer or rational $n \times m$ matrix $\mathbf{B} = (b_{ij})$ is in HNF if
 - $\exists 1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_h \leq n$ s.t. $b_{ij} \neq 0 \Rightarrow (j \leq h) \wedge (i \geq i_j)$.
 - For all $k < j$, $0 \leq b_{i_j,k} < b_{i_j,j}$.

- Example:
$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 8 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 3 & 1 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 9 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- The first h columns are linearly independent.
- **Theorem:** If two matrices \mathbf{B} , \mathbf{B}' in HNF generate the same lattice, then $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B}'$ (except for the number of zero-columns at the end).
- **Theorem:** Any lattice $L(\mathbf{B})$ has a unique basis \mathbf{H} in HNF, which can be constructed from \mathbf{B} in polynomial time.
- HNF is useful for solving many lattice problems.
- **Basis Problem:** Given a set of rational vectors \mathbf{B} , find a basis for the lattice $L(\mathbf{B})$.

Good bases and bad bases

- Let $\mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n)$ be a basis of lattice L .
- Roughly speaking, \mathbf{B} is a **good** basis if
 - the vectors \mathbf{b}_i are reasonably short and nearly orthogonal
 - the inequality $\prod_i \|\mathbf{b}_i\| \geq \det(L)$ comes close to equality.
- $\text{HNF}(L)$ is a **bad** basis and is a good choice for the public lattice basis. It reveals no more info about L 's structure than any other basis, because $\text{HNF}(L)$ can be computed from any basis in polynomial time.

Dual Lattice

- The **dual** of a (full rank) lattice $\Lambda = L(\mathbf{B}) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is the set

$$\Lambda^* = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v} \rangle \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ for all } \mathbf{v} \in \Lambda \right\}.$$

- **Theorem:** The dual of a lattice $\Lambda = L(\mathbf{B})$ is a lattice with

$$\text{basis } \mathbf{D} = \left(\mathbf{B}^{-1} \right)^T = \left(\mathbf{B}^T \right)^{-1}. \text{ That is, } L(\mathbf{D}) = \Lambda^*.$$

- $L(\mathbf{D}) \subseteq \Lambda^* \iff \mathbf{D} \subseteq \Lambda^* \iff \mathbf{d}_i \mathbf{b}_j \in \mathbb{Z} \forall i, j \iff \left(\mathbf{d}_i \mathbf{b}_j \right) = \mathbf{D}^T \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{I}.$
- $\Lambda^* \subseteq L(\mathbf{D})$: If $\mathbf{x} \in \Lambda^*$, then $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{b}_j \rangle \in \mathbb{Z}$ for all j , which means
$$\mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}^n \implies \mathbf{x} \in \left(\mathbf{B}^T \right)^{-1} \mathbb{Z}^n = \mathbf{D} \mathbb{Z}^n = L(\mathbf{D})$$

Minimum distance and shortest vector

- Definition: The **minimum distance** of a lattice $\Lambda = L(\mathbf{B})$ is the smallest distance between any two lattice points:

$$\lambda(\Lambda) = \min \{ \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\| : \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \Lambda, \mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{y} \}.$$

- Note that $\lambda(\Lambda)$ is equal to the length of a **shortest nonzero lattice vector**:

$$\lambda(\Lambda) = \lambda_1(\Lambda) = \min \{ \|\mathbf{x}\| : \mathbf{x} \in \Lambda, \mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0} \}.$$

- We can use **min** because lattices are discrete.

Successive minima

- Definition: For any lattice Λ and integer $k \leq \text{rank}(\Lambda)$, let $\lambda_k(\Lambda)$ be the smallest r s.t. the closed ball $\bar{B}(r)$ contains at least k linearly independent lattice vectors. That is,
$$\lambda_k(\Lambda) = \min \{ \max \{ \|\mathbf{x}_1\|, \dots, \|\mathbf{x}_k\| \} : \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k \in \Lambda \text{ linearly ind.} \}$$

//length of the k th shortest linearly independent vector//
- Obviously, $\lambda_1(\Lambda) \leq \lambda_2(\Lambda) \leq \dots \leq \lambda_k(\Lambda)$.
- $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$ are called successive minima of Λ :
first minimum, second minimum, and so on.

Easy Lattice Problems

- **Equivalence problem:** Given two bases \mathbf{B} and \mathbf{B}' , determine if they generate the same lattice, $L(\mathbf{B}) = L(\mathbf{B}')$.
- **Sum of lattices:** Given bases \mathbf{B} and \mathbf{B}' , find a basis for the smallest lattice containing both $L(\mathbf{B})$ and $L(\mathbf{B}')$, which is $L(\mathbf{B}) + L(\mathbf{B}') = \{\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} : \mathbf{x} \in L(\mathbf{B}), \mathbf{y} \in L(\mathbf{B}')\}$.
- **Containment problem:** Given two bases \mathbf{B} and \mathbf{B}' , determine if $L(\mathbf{B}) \subseteq L(\mathbf{B}')$.

- **Membership problem:** Is $\mathbf{v} \in L(\mathbf{B})$?
- **Dual lattice:** Given a lattice basis \mathbf{B} , compute its dual.
- **Intersection of lattices:** Given two bases \mathbf{B} and \mathbf{B}' , find a basis for the intersection $L(\mathbf{B}) \cap L(\mathbf{B}')$.

- **Cyclic lattice:**

- Let $r(\mathbf{x})$ be the cyclic rotation of vector \mathbf{x} ,
i.e., $r(x_1, \dots, x_n) = (x_n, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1})$.
- A lattice Λ is **cyclic** iff $\mathbf{x} \in \Lambda$ implies $r(\mathbf{x}) \in \Lambda$.
- Problem: Given $\mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_m)$, find the smallest cyclic lattice containing $L(\mathbf{B})$.

- Problem: Is a given lattice $L(\mathbf{B})$ cyclic?

Some Important Hard Lattice Problems

Shortest Vector Problems

- **Exact Shortest Vector Problem (SVP):**

Given a basis for a lattice L of rank n , find a nonzero vector $\mathbf{v} \in L$ of length $\lambda_1(L)$.

- **Approximate Shortest Vector Problem (SVP_γ):**

Given a basis for a lattice L of rank n , find a nonzero vector $\mathbf{v} \in L$ of length at most $\gamma \cdot \lambda_1(L)$.

(The approximation factor γ may be a function of n .)

- SVP has been studied since the time of Gauss (1801).

Hardness of SVP_γ

- NP-hard for any constant γ .
 - There is no polynomial algorithm unless $P = NP$.
- Hard for $\gamma(n) = n^{c/\log\log n}$ for some $c > 0$.
 - There is no polynomial algorithm unless $NP \subseteq RSUBEXP$.
- Cannot be NP-hard for $\gamma(n) = \sqrt{n/\log n}$ unless $NP \subseteq coAM$.
- Cannot be NP-hard for $\gamma(n) = \sqrt{n}$ unless $NP = coNP$.

constant	$n^{c/\log\log n}$	$\sqrt{n/\log n}$	\sqrt{n}	...
NP-hard	hard	unlikely NP-hard	unlikely NP-hard	...

SVP_γ can be solved in polynomial time

- LLL algorithm (1982): for $\gamma(n) = 2^{n/2}$.
 - Deterministic algorithm.
- Schnorr (1985): for $\gamma(n) = 2^{O(n(\log \log n)^2 / \log n)}$.
 - Deterministic algorithm.
- Ajtai, Kumar, and Sivakumar (2001): $\gamma(n) = 2^{O(n \log \log n / \log n)}$.
 - Randomized algorithm with bounded error.

\sqrt{n}	...	$2^{O(n \log \log n / \log n)}$	$2^{O(n(\log \log n)^2 / \log n)}$	$2^{n/2}$
unlikely NP-hard	...	BPP	P	P

SVP_γ : open problems

It would be a breakthrough if one can:

- Solve SVP_{n^c} in polynomial time for some $c > 0$.
- Prove SVP_{n^ε} hard or NP-hard for some $\varepsilon > 0$.

Two other important problems: CVP and SIVP

- Closest Vector Problem (CVP_γ):

Given a basis for a lattice (of rank n) $L \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ and a vector $\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, find a nonzero vector $\mathbf{v} \in L$ s.t.

$$\|\mathbf{t} - \mathbf{v}\| \leq \gamma(n) \cdot \text{dist}(\mathbf{t}, L).$$

- Shortest Independent Vectors Problem (SIVP_γ):

Given a basis for a lattice L of rank n , find linearly independent vectors $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n \in L$ of length at most

$$\gamma(n) \cdot \lambda_n(n).$$

CVP_γ is at least as hard as SVP_γ

Theorem: SVP_γ can be reduced to CVP_γ : $\text{SVP}_\gamma \leq \text{CVP}_\gamma$.

Proof (for $\gamma = 1$): Let $\mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n)$ be the input to SVP .

Wish to find a shortest vector $\mathbf{s} = \sum x_i \mathbf{b}_i \in L(\mathbf{B})$ by calling

CVP . The idea is to consider a sublattice $L' \subset L(\mathbf{B})$ and

a point $\mathbf{c} \in L - L'$ s.t. $\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{s} \in L'$, in which case, $\text{dist}(\mathbf{c}, L') = \|\mathbf{s}\|$.

Thus, if $\mathbf{y} \leftarrow \text{CVP}(L', \mathbf{c})$ then $\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{c}$ is a solution to $\text{SVP}(L)$.

Based on this idea, for each i , consider the point \mathbf{b}_i and the

sublattice L^i generated by $\mathbf{B}^i = (\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, 2\mathbf{b}_i, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n)$. We have

$\mathbf{b}_i \in L - L'$, and $\mathbf{b}_i + \mathbf{s} \in L'$ if x_i is odd. Let $\mathbf{y}_i \leftarrow \text{CVP}(\mathbf{B}^i, \mathbf{b}_i)$.

The shortest vector in $\{\mathbf{y}_i - \mathbf{b}_i\}_{i=1}^n$ is a shortest vector in $L(\mathbf{B})$.

Relationship among SVP_γ , CVP_γ , $SIVP_\gamma$

- $SVP_\gamma \leq CVP_\gamma$.
- $SIVP_\gamma \leq CVP_\gamma$.
- $SVP_1 \leq SIVP_1$.
- Open problem: $SVP_\gamma \leq SIVP_\gamma$?

- **Bounded Distance Decoding Problem (BDDP_γ):**

Given a lattice $L \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ and a vector $\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying

$\text{dist}(\mathbf{t}, L) < \lambda_1(L)/(\gamma(n) + 1)$, find a nonzero vector $\mathbf{v} \in L$

s.t. $\|\mathbf{t} - \mathbf{v}\| \leq \gamma(n) \cdot \text{dist}(\mathbf{t}, L)$.

- Same as CVP_γ except for the "bounded" condition on \mathbf{t} , which implies a **unique solution**.
- Uniqueness: The vector $\mathbf{v} \in L$ with $\|\mathbf{t} - \mathbf{v}\| = \text{dist}(\mathbf{t}, L)$ is obviously a solution, and any other $\mathbf{w} \in L$ is not a solution since

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{t} - \mathbf{w}\| &\geq \|\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w}\| - \|\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{t}\| \geq \lambda_1(n) - \text{dist}(\mathbf{t}, L) \\ &> (\gamma(n) + 1) \cdot \text{dist}(\mathbf{t}, L) - \text{dist}(\mathbf{t}, L) = \gamma(n) \cdot \text{dist}(\mathbf{t}, L). \end{aligned}$$

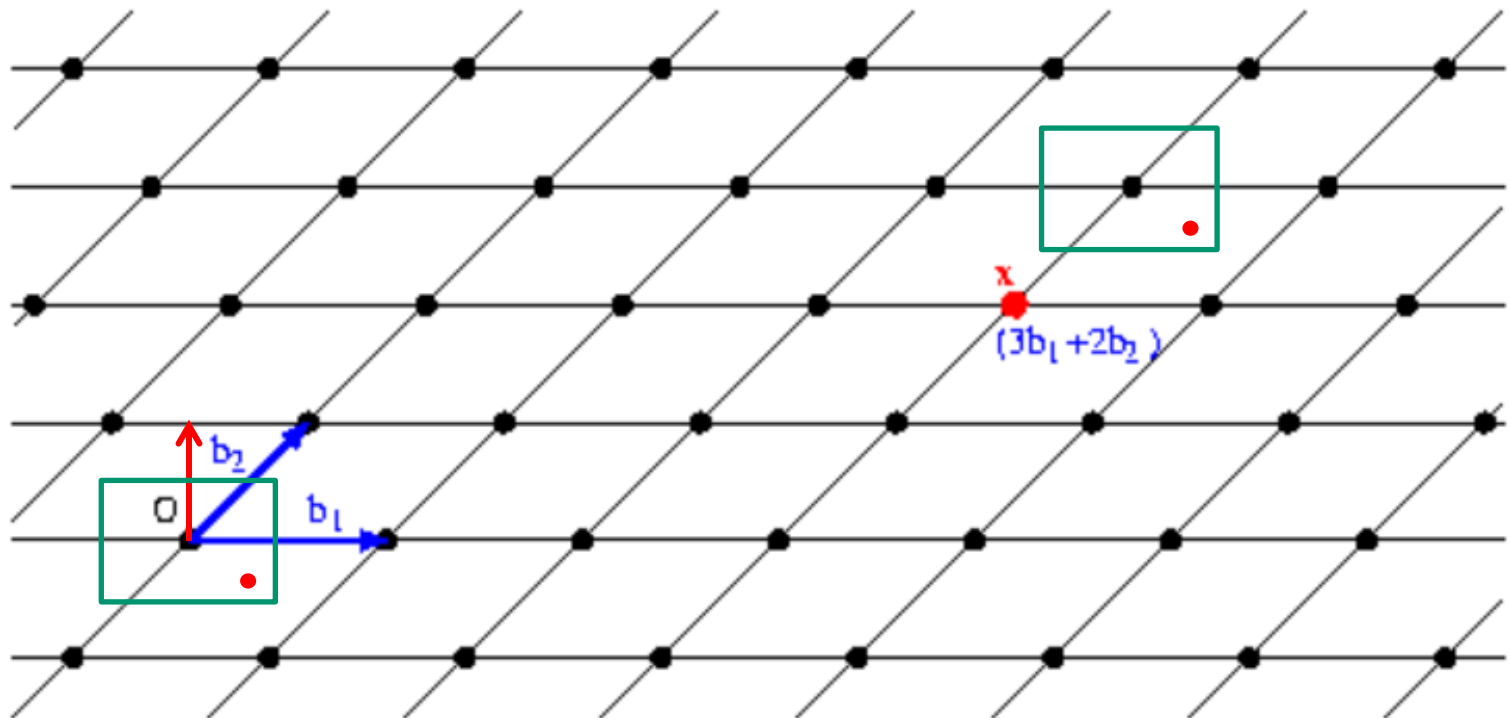
Centered Orthogonalized Parallelepiped

- Let $\mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ be a basis.
- Let $\mathbf{B}^* = (\mathbf{b}_1^*, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n^*)$ be the Gram-Schmidt matrix of \mathbf{B} .
- Centered orthogonalized parallelepiped:

$$C(\mathbf{B}^*) = \left\{ \mathbf{B}^* \cdot \mathbf{x} : \mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)^T, -1/2 \leq x_i < 1/2 \right\}.$$

- $C(\mathbf{B}^*)$ is a fundamental region: $\text{Span}(\mathbf{B}) = \bigcup_{\mathbf{v} \in L(\mathbf{B})} (C(\mathbf{B}^*) + \mathbf{v})$.
- Nearest plane algorithm: Given a target point $\mathbf{t} \in \text{Span}(\mathbf{B})$, find the unique cell $C(\mathbf{B}^*) + \mathbf{v}$ that contains \mathbf{t} .

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Nearest Plane Algorithm

- Given \mathbf{B} and \mathbf{t} , find a lattice point $\mathbf{v} = c_1\mathbf{b}_1 + \dots + c_n\mathbf{b}_n \in L(\mathbf{B})$ s.t. $\langle \mathbf{t} - \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{b}_i^* \rangle / \|\mathbf{b}_i^*\|^2 \in [-1/2, 1/2)$ for all $1 \leq i \leq n$.

In particular, if $\mathbf{t} \in \text{Span}(\mathbf{B})$, then $\mathbf{t} \in C(\mathbf{B}^*) + \mathbf{v}$.

- Let $L(\mathbf{B}')$ be the sublattice generated by $\mathbf{B}' = (\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_{n-1})$.
- $L(\mathbf{B})$ can be decomposed into "sublattices"

$$L(\mathbf{B}) = \bigcup_{c \in \mathbb{Z}} (c\mathbf{b}_n + L(\mathbf{B}')) \subset \bigcup_{c \in \mathbb{Z}} (c\mathbf{b}_n^* + \text{span}(\mathbf{B}'))$$

- The hyperplane $c\mathbf{b}_n + \text{span}(\mathbf{B}')$ closest to \mathbf{t} is when $c =$

$$\lfloor \langle \mathbf{t}, \mathbf{b}_n^* \rangle / \|\mathbf{b}_n^*\|^2 \rfloor. \quad \text{We choose } c_n = c.$$

Algorithm NearestPlane($\mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n)$, \mathbf{t})

if $n = 0$ then return $\mathbf{0}$

else $\mathbf{B}^* \leftarrow \text{Gram-Schmidt}(\mathbf{B})$

$$c \leftarrow \lfloor \langle \mathbf{t}, \mathbf{b}_n^* \rangle / \|\mathbf{b}_n^*\|^2 \rfloor$$

return $c\mathbf{b}_n + \text{NearestPlane}((\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_{n-1}), \mathbf{t} - c\mathbf{b}_n)$

Correctness Proof

- By induction. For $n = 0$, the output meets the requirement.
- Assume the algorithm returns a correct answer for ranks $< n$.
- Let $\mathbf{C} = (\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_{n-1})$ and $\mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{C}, \mathbf{b}_n)$. Then $\mathbf{B}^* = (\mathbf{C}^*, \mathbf{b}_n^*)$.
- By IH, the recursive call returns a lattice point $\mathbf{v}' \in L(\mathbf{C})$ s.t.
$$\langle (\mathbf{t} - c\mathbf{b}_n) - \mathbf{v}', \mathbf{b}_i^* \rangle \in [-1/2, 1/2) \cdot \|\mathbf{b}_i^*\|^2 \text{ for all } i = 1, \dots, n-1.$$
- The output of the algorithm is $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}' + c\mathbf{b}_n$.
- Need to prove $\langle \mathbf{t} - \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{b}_i^* \rangle \in [-1/2, 1/2) \cdot \|\mathbf{b}_i^*\|^2$ for all $1 \leq i \leq n$.

- For $i \leq n - 1$, it follows from the IH since

$$\langle \mathbf{t} - \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{b}_i^* \rangle = \langle \mathbf{t} - (\mathbf{v}' + c\mathbf{b}_n), \mathbf{b}_i^* \rangle = \langle (\mathbf{t} - c\mathbf{b}_n) - \mathbf{v}', \mathbf{b}_i^* \rangle.$$

- For $i = n$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\langle \mathbf{t} - (\mathbf{v}' + c\mathbf{b}_n), \mathbf{b}_n^* \rangle}{\|\mathbf{b}_i^*\|^2} &= \frac{\langle \mathbf{t}, \mathbf{b}_n^* \rangle - \langle \mathbf{v}', \mathbf{b}_n^* \rangle - c\langle \mathbf{b}_n, \mathbf{b}_n^* \rangle}{\|\mathbf{b}_i^*\|^2} \\ &= \frac{\langle \mathbf{t}, \mathbf{b}_n^* \rangle}{\|\mathbf{b}_i^*\|^2} - c \in [-1/2, 1/2). \end{aligned}$$

where we have used $\langle \mathbf{v}', \mathbf{b}_n^* \rangle = 0$ and $\langle \mathbf{b}_n, \mathbf{b}_n^* \rangle = \|\mathbf{b}_i^*\|^2$.

Nearest Plane Algorithm and Closest Vector Problem

- Fact: $\lambda_1(L(\mathbf{B})) \geq \min_i \|\mathbf{b}_i^*\|$.
- The fundamental region $C(\mathbf{B}^*)$ contains a sphere centered at $\mathbf{0}$ of radius $\rho = \min_i \|\mathbf{b}_i^*\|/2 \leq \lambda_1(L(\mathbf{B}))/2$.
- Thus, if a point \mathbf{t} is within distance ρ of a lattice point $\mathbf{v} \in L(\mathbf{B})$, then \mathbf{v} is the closest lattice point to \mathbf{t} .

NearestPlane(\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{t}) will solve the CVP.

Recall RSA Cryptosystem

- Key generation:
 - (a) Randomly generate $n := pq$ for large primes p, q .
 - (b) Public key: e , coprime to $\varphi(n)$.
 - (c) Secret key: $d := e^{-1} \bmod \varphi(n)$.
- The security of RSA requires that breaking RSA is hard for **all** (but a negligible portion of) instances.
 - By breaking RSA we mean finding the secret key.
- It depends on the assumption that factoring a **randomly** generated semiprime $n = pq$ is hard.

Ajtai's worst-case to average-case reduction

- Worst-case to worst-case reduction, say $P1 \leq P2$:
If there is an algorithm that solves $P2$ in the worst case, then there is an algorithm that solve $P1$ in the worst case.
- Worst-case to average-case reduction, say $P1 \leq P2$:
If there is an algorithm that solves a randomly generated instance of $P2$ with nonnegligible probability, then there is an algorithm that solves the worst case of $P1$ with probability ≈ 1 .
- In 1996, Ajtai established such an worst-case to average-case reduction for some lattice problems.

- Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{Z}^{n \times m}$ be a matrix of dimensions $n \times m$, and q an integer, where $m = \lfloor c_1 n \log n \rfloor$ and $q = \lfloor n^{c_2} \rfloor$. Define

$$\Lambda_q^\perp(\mathbf{A}) \triangleq \{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}^m : \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0} \pmod{q} \}.$$
- Ajtai showed

worst-case n^c -unique-SVP on an n -dimensional lattice

 \leq **average-case** SVP on $\Lambda_q^\perp(\mathbf{A})$ for some c_1 and c_2 .
- Based on this reduction, Ajtai and Dwork in 1997 constructed a public-key cryptosystem whose security depends on the (conjectured) worst-case hardness of unique-SVP.

- Later when we study FHE schemes, it is important to note whether the security is based on worst-case or average-case hardness.
- Q: Is the security of RSA based on the worst-case hardness or the average-case hardness of semiprime factorization?