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# Efficient Hyperelliptic Arithmetic Using Balanced Representation for Divisors

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# Plane Models

We will consider a genus *g* hyperelliptic curve *C* defined over a field *k* with char( $k$ )  $\neq$  2. We can assume that *C* is given by a plane model

$$
C: y^2 = F(x),
$$

where  $F$  is a polynomial in  $k[x]$  with no repeated roots. If  $P = (x, y)$  is a point on the curve, then  $\overline{P} = (x, -y)$  also lies on the curve and is called hyperelliptic conjugate of *P*.

### Taxonomy

- If deg(*F*) is  $2g + 1$ , this is an imaginary model. *C* will have 1 point at infinity.
- If deg(*F*) is  $2g + 2$ , this is a real model. *C* will have 2 points at infinity.

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#### Theorem

Let  $D_{\infty}$  be a k-rational degree g divisor, and let  $D \in \text{Div}^{0}(C)$  be a *k-rational divisor on the hyperelliptic curve C. Then* [*D*] *has a unique representative in*  $Cl^0(C)$  *of the form*  $[D_0 - D_{\infty}]$ *, where*  $D_0$  *is an effective k-rational divisor of degree g whose affine part is reduced.*

# The base divisor

- **If** *C* is given by an imaginary model, then  $D_{\infty} = g\infty$ .
- **If** *C* is given by a real model denote its points at infinity as  $\infty^+$ and ∞−. Then

• 
$$
D_{\infty} = \frac{g}{2}(\infty^+ + \infty^-)
$$
 if g is even.

• 
$$
D_{\infty} = \frac{\tilde{g}+1}{2}\infty^+ + \frac{g-1}{2}\infty^-
$$
 if g is odd.

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# Mumford's Representation

To every pair of polynomials  $(u(x), v(x))$  such that

$$
u(x) \quad \text{divides} \quad F(x) - v(x)^2,\tag{1}
$$

we associate a divisor as follows

If 
$$
u(x) = \prod_i (x - r_i)
$$
, then  $(u(x), v(x)) \mapsto \sum_i (r_i, v(r_i))$ .

We say that the polynomials  $(u, v)$  are the Mumford representation of *D*, and denote this as  $D = \text{div}(u, v)$ . Every affine semi-reduced divisor has a Mumford representation.

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# Problem

Fix a degree g divisor  $D_{\infty}$ . Given two effective degree g divisors with reduced affine part  $D_1$  and  $D_2$ , find an effective degree g divisor  $D_3$ with reduced affine part such that

$$
[D_1 - D_{\infty}] + [D_2 - D_{\infty}] = [D_3 - D_{\infty}].
$$

# Equivalently

To add the divisor classes  $[D_1 - D_{\infty}]$  and  $[D_2 - D_{\infty}]$ , one calculates *D*<sup>3</sup> satisfying

$$
[D_1 + D_2] = [D_3 + D_{\infty}].
$$

- **1** Given the Mumford representation of  $D_1$  and  $D_2$ , find the Mumford representation of  $D_1 + D_2$ .
- **2** From the Mumford representation of  $D_1 + D_2$ , find the appropriate  $D_3$ . This is done using the reduction algorithms.

# Reduction

Let  $D_0 = \text{div}(u_0, v_0)$  be a divisor of degree  $d_0 \geq g + 2 (d_0 \geq g + 1)$ . By definition of the Mumford representation, the divisor of  $y - v_0(x)$ has (generically) the form

$$
div(y - v_0(x)) = D_0 + D_1 - \frac{d_0 + d_1}{2}(\infty^+ + \infty^-),
$$

where  $D_1$  is an affine semi-reduced divisor. This implies

$$
[D_0] = [\overline{D}_1 + \frac{d_0 - d_1}{2} (\infty^+ + \infty^-)].
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The affine zeros of  $y - v_0(x)$  are found solving  $v_0(x)^2 - F(x) = 0$ .

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# Divisor inversion

It is important to be able to invert elements in a group (window methods, signed representations, etc).

Using our representation, this can be done with 0 or 1 red<sub>∞</sub> steps.

- **If the genus is even, then**  $D_{\infty} = \overline{D_{\infty}}$ **.**
- **If the genus is odd, then**  $D_{\infty} = \overline{D_{\infty}} + (\infty^+ \infty^-)$ **.**

Using  $g\infty^+$  as base divisor, it takes g applications of red<sub>∞</sub>.

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Table: Operation counts for genus 2 arithmetic.

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# Questions?

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