

# On Computation of Gröbner Bases over $\mathbb{F}_2$

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## Abstract

In this paper we consider a version of Janet division algorithm and its implementation in C++ oriented to computing degree-reverse-lexicographical Gröbner bases for polynomial ideals in the ring of multivariate polynomials over the finite field  $\mathbb{F}_2$ . We compare efficiency of the algorithm and its implementation with those for Buchberger's algorithm and with the Gröbner bases software built-in computer algebra systems Singular, CoCoA and with the library FGb available for Maple. As benchmarks for our comparison we use conversion to  $\mathbb{F}_2$  of the some benchmarks widely used for the Gröbner bases software over  $Q$ . Polynomial systems over  $\mathbb{F}_2$  are of interest in particular for simulation of quantum computation and in cryptanalysis.

## 1 Implemented Algorithms

1. *Buchberger's algorithm.* For preliminary testing of data structures and for subsequent experimental comparison with our implementation of the involutive algorithm [1, 2] we implemented first Buchberger's algorithm [3]. Unlike the former, the latter algorithm examines all  $S$ -polynomials and by this reason its computational efficiency heavily depends on the use of criteria to avoid unnecessary  $S$ -polynomial reductions.
2. *Involutive algorithm.* This algorithm, designed by Gerdt and Blinkov [1], who exploited constructive ideas of completion to involution of differential systems, was implemented in its improved version [2] and for degree-reverse-lexicographic order. This particular being heuristically optimal for computation of Gröbner bases over  $Q$  is also best for homogeneous generating sets. To analyze solutions in  $\mathbb{F}_2$  for polynomial systems over  $\mathbb{F}_2$  that is important, in particular, for application to quantum computation [4] and cryptanalysis [5] the pure lexicographical order is more appropriate. Development of the package with inclusion of the lexicographic order is planned as the next step.

## 2 Data structures

Both of the above implementation are to be special modules of the open source software Ginv whose current version 1.2 is available on the Web page <http://invo.jinr.ru>. By this reason most of the data structures were taken over from Ginv. Functionality of some other structures, for instance, Janet trees, was extended in such a way that interface was preserved. However, two most important data structures – monomial and polynomial – were significantly refined under specific features of  $\mathbb{F}_2$ . In particular, the main data fields of the monomial class are now the monomial degree (integer number) and the set of exponents for variables (bit array of length 64 or 128 bits).

### 3 Algorithmic peculiarities of implementation

Since all operations over monomials and polynomials are performed over the finite field  $\mathbb{F}_2$ , any variable can have degree either 0 or 1. As a result any monomial order  $\succ$  is not admissible. It is easy to see. Let  $m_1, m_2$  be two different monomials satisfying  $m_1 \succ m_2$ , and let  $m_3$  be the third monomial such that  $m_3 = \text{lcm}(m_1, m_2)$ . Then we obtain  $m_1 \cdot m_3 = m_2 \cdot m_3$  that contradicts the definition of admissible monomial order. This fact can be explicitly verified:

$$\begin{aligned} m_1 &:= x_1^{i_1} \cdots x_n^{i_n}, \quad m_2 := x_1^{j_1} \cdots x_n^{j_n}, \quad m_1 \succ m_2, \\ m_3 &:= \text{lcm}(m_1, m_2) = x_1^{\max(i_1, j_1)} \cdots x_n^{\max(i_n, j_n)}, \\ m_1 \cdot m_3 &= x_1^{\max(i_1, \max(i_1, j_1))} \cdots x_n^{\max(i_n, \max(i_n, j_n))} = m_3, \\ m_2 \cdot m_3 &= x_1^{\max(j_1, \max(i_1, j_1))} \cdots x_n^{\max(j_n, \max(i_n, j_n))} = m_3. \end{aligned}$$

By this reason one has to take care of applicability of the Involutive algorithm.

And one more unusual feature: a basis consisting of a single polynomial may not be a Gröbner basis. We give a simple example.

$$\langle xy + x + 1 \rangle = \langle x + 1, y \rangle$$

If one multiplies polynomial  $xy + x + 1$  by all polynomials in the bivariate ring – there are 15 of them – it becomes obvious that the Gröbner basis consists of two polynomials:  $x + 1$  and  $y$ .

### 4 Role of criteria

We implemented four involutive criteria [2] for detection of some zero-redundant prolongations as well as equivalent to them two Buchberger's criteria [3] for the case of Buchberger's algorithm. In so doing we adopted the involutive criteria to computation over field  $\mathbb{F}_2$ . We observe experimentally rather high efficiency of applying the criteria in Buchberger's algorithm. In most cases it achieves 96–100%, i.e. the criteria do not apply for at most 4 from every 100 zero-redundant  $S$ -polynomials. As to the Involutive algorithm, the efficiency of criteria is somewhat lower. As a rule it is about 60–85%. With all this going on, and for the benchmarks we used, most often the first criterion (see [2]) was applied.

### 5 Comparison with other Gröbner bases software

We did comparison of running time for our two implementations with some other computer algebra systems and packages implementing computation of Gröbner bases over  $\mathbb{F}_2$ , namely, with CoCoA 4.6 [6], Singular 3.0.2 [7] and FGb 1.34 library [8] for Maple. The timings for the standard serial benchmarks *eco*, *katsura*, *redcyclic* and *redeco* (see [9]) are shown in Figures 1 – 4, respectively.

These timings were obtained on a 2xOpteron-242 (1.6 Ghz) machine with 6Gb RAM running under Gentoo Linux 2005.1 and with gcc-4.1.0 compiler.

More detailed comparison together with description of the algorithms implemented is given in [10].

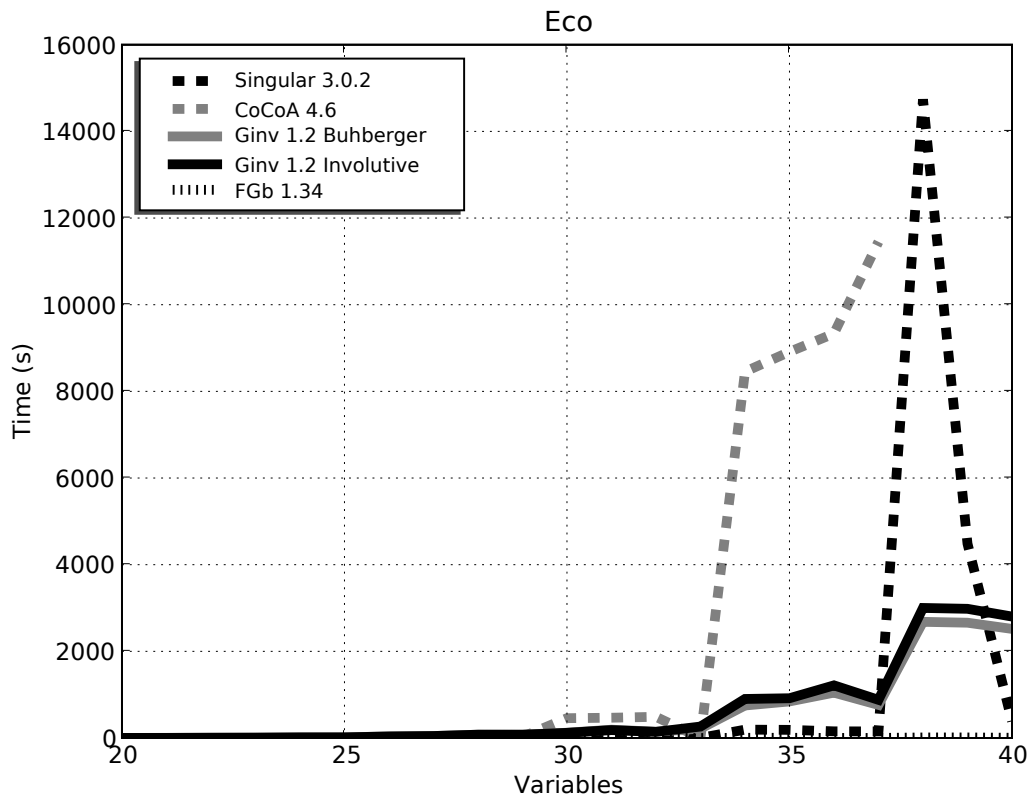


Figure 1: Timings for the *eco* benchmarks

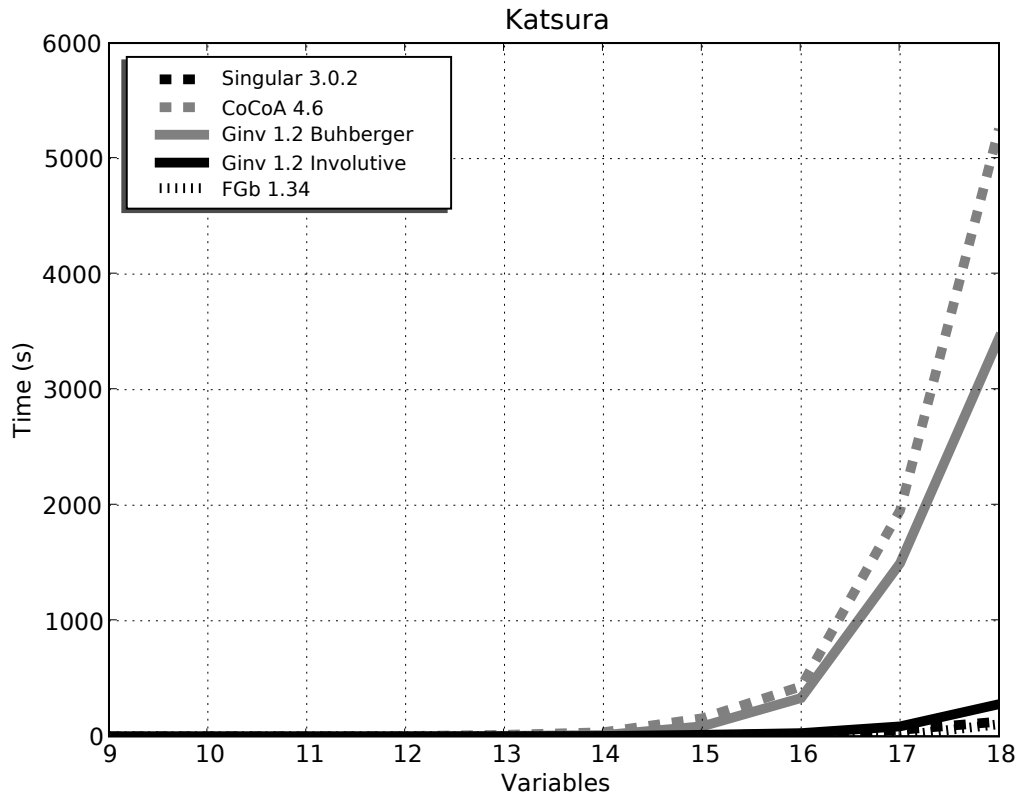


Figure 2: Timings for the *katsura* benchmarks

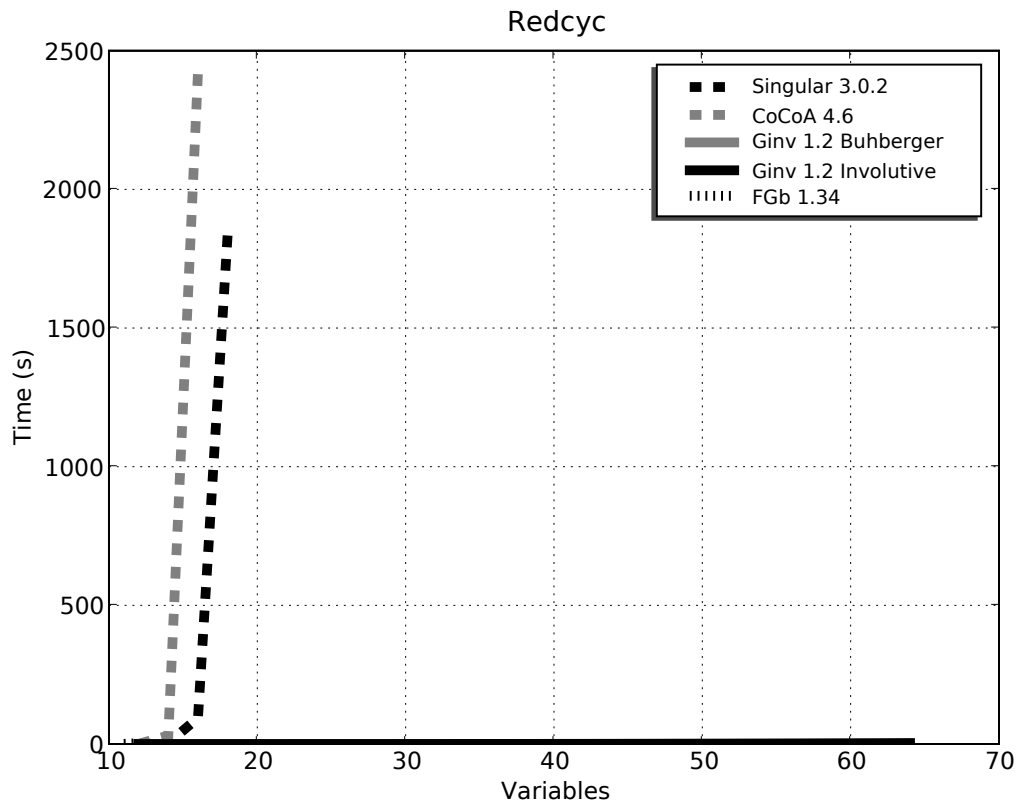


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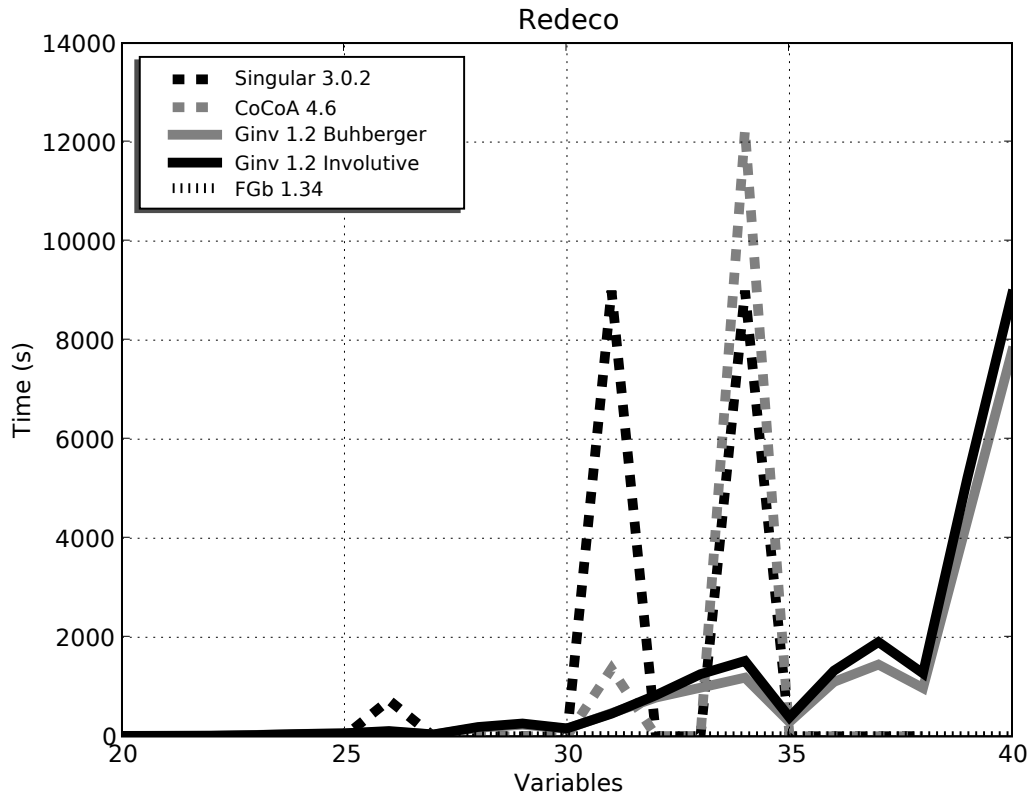


Figure 4: Timings for the *redeco* benchmarks

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