

# Computing periods of algebraic curves

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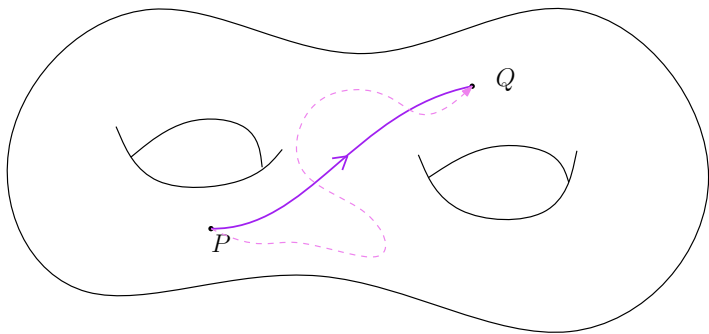
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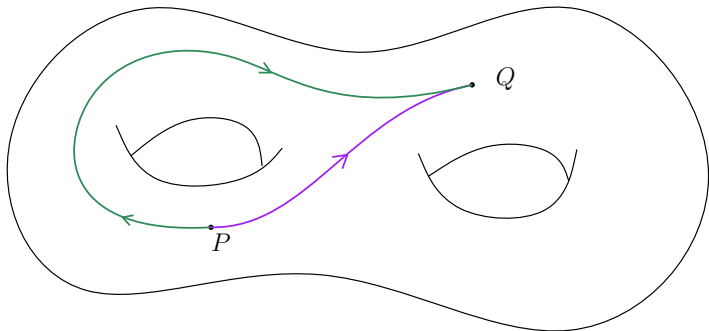
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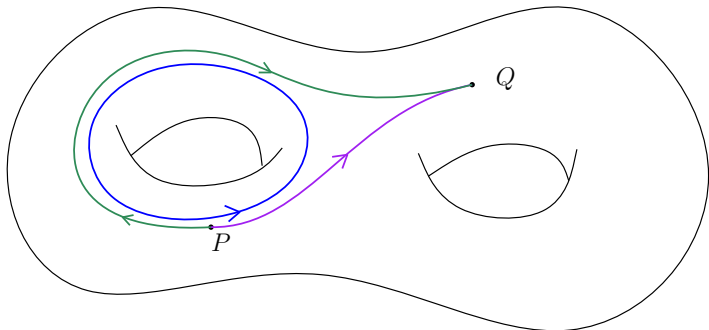
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- Integral values up to period lattice  
 $\Lambda = \left\{ \int_\gamma \omega_i, \gamma \in H_1(X), 1 \leq i \leq g \right\}$ .

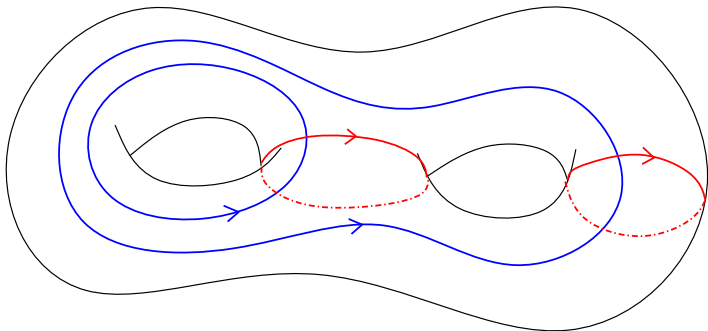
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- Reduced period matrix  $\tau(X) = A^{-1}B \in \mathbb{H}_g$  (Siegel space)

## Two maps

$X$  fixed, Abel-Jacobi map

$$\begin{cases} \text{Pic}^0(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^g / \Lambda \\ P - P_0 \mapsto \int_{P_0}^P \omega \end{cases}$$

$X$  on a family, period map

$$\begin{cases} \{X_s \in S\} \rightarrow \text{Sp}(2g, \mathbb{Z}) \backslash \mathbb{H}_g \\ s \mapsto \tau(X_s) \end{cases}$$

## Very useful tool...

- 1987 Chudnovsky<sup>2</sup>
- 1988 Bost, Mestre (genus 2, real)
- 1998 Van Wamelen (hyperelliptic, Magma)
- 2001 Deconinck, Van Hoeij (general, Maple)
- 2011 Frauendiener, Klein (general, matlab)
- 2011 Molin (hyperelliptic, gp)
- 2016 Labrande (low genus)
- 2013 Mascot (modular curves)
- 2017 Costa,...Mascot (genus 2)
- 2017 Molin, Neurohr (superelliptic, Arb+Magma)
- 2018 Neurohr (general, Magma)
- 2018 Sertöz (dim > 1)
- 2018 Bruin, Sijsling, Zotine (general, Sage)

## Soon available in Pari ?

Version restricted to hyperelliptic curves.

```
gp > default(realprecision, 100)
      realprecision = 115 significant digits (100 digits displayed)
gp > hyperellperiods(x^51+x+1,1);
      *** hyperellperiods: Warning: compute 41 integration points
time = 823 ms.
```

```
gp > hyperellperiods(random(1.*x^100),1);
      *** hyperellperiods: Warning: compute 97 integration points.
      *** hyperellperiods: Warning: compute 69 integration points.
      *** hyperellperiods: Warning: compute 53 integration points.
      *** hyperellperiods: Warning: compute 40 integration points.
      *** hyperellperiods: Warning: compute 29 integration points.
time = 4,600 ms.
```

## The problem

$X$  a curve, equation  $f(x, y) = 0$ .

We see  $X$  as a cover  $y_1 \dots y_m$  of the  $x$ -plane  $\mathbb{P}^1$ .

We need

- 1 differentials
- 2 a basis of loops on  $X$ , lifted from loops of  $\mathbb{P}^1$ .
- 3 evaluating  $y(x)$
- 4 numerical integration

We focus on integration (governs choices 2 and 3).

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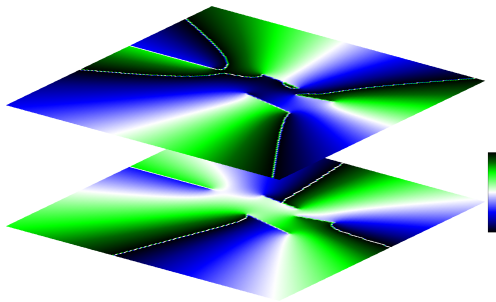
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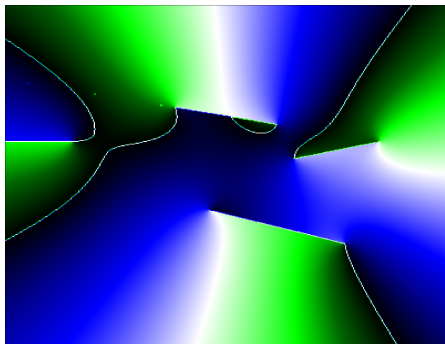
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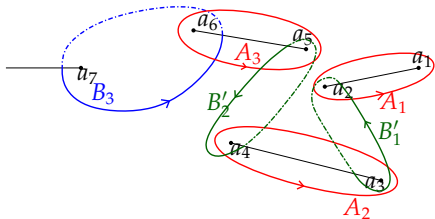
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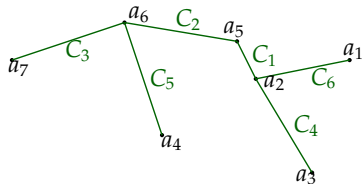
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Homology basis  $\Leftrightarrow$  spanning tree

## Computing periods

We use as an example

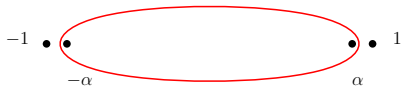
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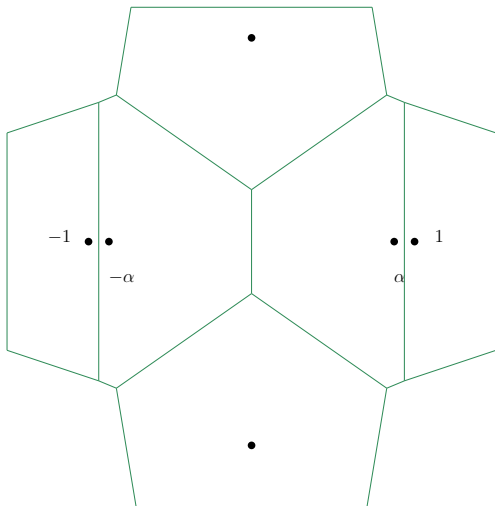
Compute the period

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{dx}{y}$$

where  $\alpha = \sqrt{\phi} < 1$



## Method 1 - Voronoi

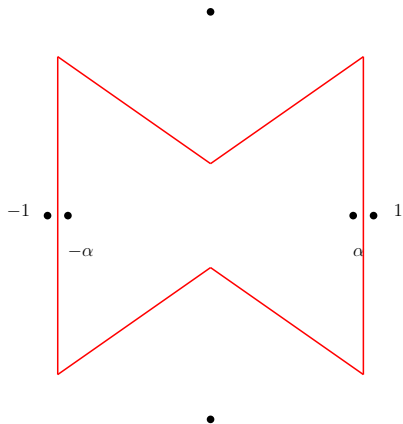


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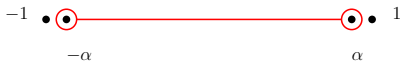
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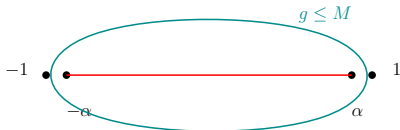
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Gauss-Chebyshev integration. Explicit error bound  $\frac{2\pi M}{e^{2rn}-1}$ .

## Method 2

```
f = x^6-2*x^2+1;

period_intnum() =
  x3=(sqrt((sqrt(5)-1)/2));
  2*intnum(x=[-x3,-1/2],[x3,-1/2],subst(f,'x,x)^(-1/2));

period_gc(p=precision(1.)) =
  my(r,n,Q,x3,xk);
  x3 = sqrt((sqrt(5)-1)/2);
  r = acosh((abs(1/x3+1)+abs(1/x3-1))/2);
  n = ceil((p*log(10)+log(2*Pi)+1) / (2*r));
  /* x=x3*u, -1<u<1 */
  my(Q=((x3*'x)^2-1)*((x3*'x)^2+(1+sqrt(5))/2)/x3^4);
  2/x3^2 * Pi / n * sum(k=1,n,
    xk=cos((2*k-1)*Pi/(2*n));
    1/sqrt(-subst(Q,'x,xk))
  );
```

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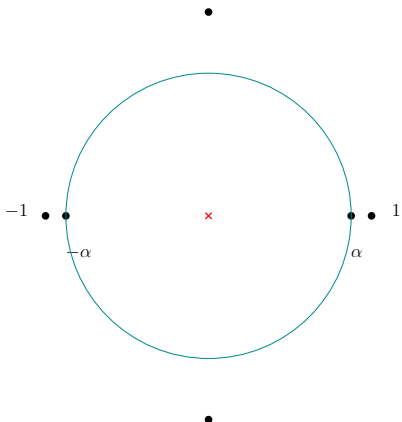
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## Method 3 - Power series

Taylor expansion at 0,

$$\frac{dx}{y} = \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1 - 2x^2 + x^6}} = \sum a_k x^k$$


The diagram illustrates the complex plane with a red 'x' at the origin. A green circle is centered at the origin, with its radius labeled  $\alpha$ . The points  $-1$  and  $1$  are marked on the real axis outside the circle. There are also dots on the imaginary axis.

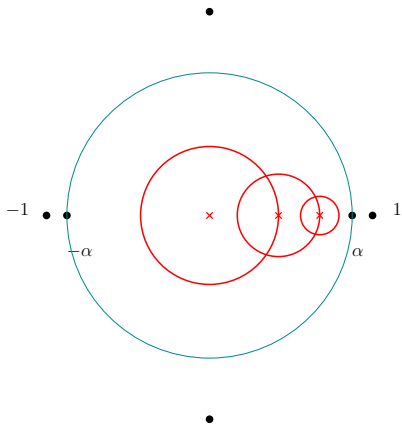
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$$\frac{dx}{y} = \sum a_k x^k$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{y} = \sum a_k \frac{x^{k+1}}{k+1}$$

series converges for  
 $|x| < \alpha$  (and  $a_k \sim \alpha^{-k}$ )



Evaluate at  $x_1 = t\alpha$  for  $t < 1$ ,  $x_2, x_3 = \alpha(1 - (1 - t)^3)$   
each  $\sim p / \log(1/t)$  terms for precision  $p$

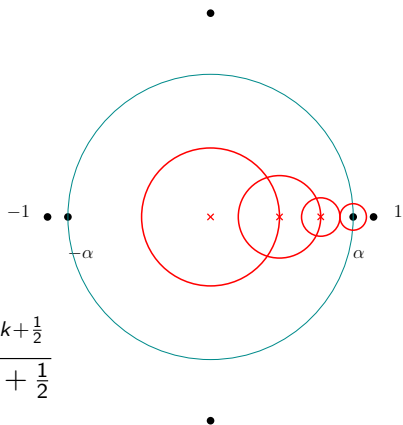
## Method 3 bis - Puiseux series

Puiseux expansion near  
root  $\alpha$

$$f(\alpha + t) = tg(t)$$

$$\frac{dx}{y} = g(t)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \frac{dt}{\sqrt{t}} = \sum b_k t^{k-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{y} = \int g(t)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \frac{dt}{\sqrt{t}} = \sum b_k \frac{t^{k+\frac{1}{2}}}{k+\frac{1}{2}}$$



Chain  $0 \rightarrow x_1 \rightarrow x_2 \rightarrow x_3 \leftarrow \alpha$ .

## Method 3

```
intseries(x0,x1,n) =
  subst(Pol(
    intformal((subst(f,'x','x+x0)+O('x^n))^(-1/2))), 'x,x1-x0);

intsing(x0,x1,n) =
  h = x1-x0;
  f0 = real(Pol(Vec(subst(f,'x,x0+'x), poldegree(f))));
  a = Vec((subst(f0,'x,'x)+O('x^n))^(-1/2));
  a = Polrev(vector(n,k,a[k]/(k-1/2)));
  sqrt(h)*subst(a,'x,h);

period_ser(p=precision(1.)) =
  x3 = sqrt((sqrt(5)-1)/2);
  t = solve(t=0,1,(1-t)^3-(1-x3)*t);
  n = ceil(-(p*log(10)-log(1-t))/log(t));
  z = vector(4,i,1-(1-t)^(i-1))*x3;
  4*(sum(k=1,3,intseries(z[k],z[k+1],n))+intsing(x3,z[4],n));
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$$(a_{n+1}, \dots, a_{n+6}) = (a_n, \dots, a_{n+6-1})M(n)$$

where  $M(n)$  is the companion matrix of the recurrence.

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Fast evaluation of  $a_n$  with a product tree

$$(a_{n+1}, \dots, a_{n+6}) = (a_0, \dots, a_5)M(0)M(1) \dots M(n)$$

Same for  $S_n = \sum_{k < n} a_k \left(\frac{p}{q}\right)^k$ .



## Method 4

```
d6 = 2*'n^2+22*'n+60
d4 = -4*'n^2-32*'n-64
d0 = 2*'n^2+4*'n
delta = [d0,0,0,0,d4,0,d6];

/* get rapidly a[n] */
A(n) =
  v0=[0, 1, 0, 1/3, 0, 3/10];
  vm = vector(n-5,k,matcompanion(Polrev(subst(delta,'n,k-1))));
  v0*vecprod(vm);

A(1000)
time = 24 ms

Vecrev(intseries(0,'x,1000));
time = 1,032 ms.
```

## Ore Algebra Analytic

Involved process to get things fast and rigorous.

Sage package developed by Marc Mezzarobba (analytic continuation, very general).

```
from ore_algebra import OreAlgebra
A.<x> = ZZ['x']
Dops.<Dx> = OreAlgebra(A, 'Dx')
```

```
f=x^6-2*x^2+1
```

```
D=f*Dx^2+2*f.diff()*Dx
```

```
X=f.roots(QQbar)
```

```
time D.numerical_transition_matrix([0,X[2][0]],1e-500)[0,1]
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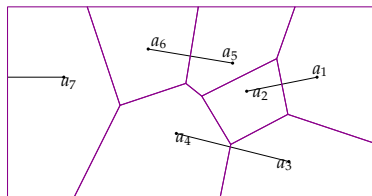
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Wall time: 1.35 s
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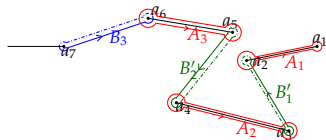
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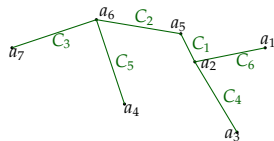
## General curves



Bruin&al 2018 : Voronoi cell's approach generalized (Sage)



Neurohr 2018 : mixed tree + loops (Magma)



Tree + differential equations  
(work in progress with Marc)