

# Some computable objects in $\mathcal{D}$ -modules theory

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We can compute **syzygies** for a finite set of elements in a free  $\mathbb{C}[x]$ -module (of finite rank).

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Theory developed (from 1970) by I.N. Bernstein, M.

Kashiwara, T. Kawai,

B. Malgrange, Z. Mebkhout, D. Quillen, M. Sato and others.

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having  $u(x, y) = \frac{1}{xy}$  as a solution.

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vanishing at any point in  $Z$ .

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**Object  $Ann(\frac{1}{f})$  is computable.**

Oaku-Takayama's algorithm is implemented in

Kan/sm1 (risa/asir); Macaulay2 (D-modules.m2);  
Singular.

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Macaulay 2: `RatAnn f` computes  $\text{Ann}(\frac{1}{f})$ . But for this example, *in my computer*, Macaulay2 gives  
`*** out of memory, exiting ***.`

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Nevertheless, we can prove that  $\text{Ann}(\frac{1}{f})$  is generated by the following three operators:

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$$P_1 = x\partial_x + y\partial_y + z\partial_z + 7$$

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# Additional results

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Freeness is computable (K. Saito's criterion + effective Quillen-Suslin).

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class strictly includes: a) all the **free** hyperplane arrangements.

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$f = x^4 + y^5 + xy^4 = 0$  has a non quasi-homogeneous singularity at the origin. Since  $f$  is free then  $f$  does not satisfy LCP. Since  $f$  is Spencer  $Ann^{(1)}(\frac{1}{f}) \subsetneq Ann(\frac{1}{f})$ .

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(J.M. Ucha-F.J.C.J.) If  $f \in \mathbb{C}[x]$  is (Spencer + free) then previous conjecture is satisfied.