

## Notes on Hensel Lifting

(for other stuff see notes for lecture 8)

### Goals of Hensel Lifting

Given Ideal  $\mathcal{I} \subseteq R \subseteq R[x]$ ,  $f, g, h \in R[x]$   
 $t$  integer  $t$

$$1. f = g \cdot h \pmod{\mathcal{I}}$$

① Existence: Prove  $\exists g_1, h_1$  s.t.

$$f = g_1 \cdot h_1 \pmod{\mathcal{I}^t}$$

② Construction: find  $g_1, h_1$

③ Uniqueness: Prove  $g_1, h_1$  "essentially" unique

# Caveats

No uniqueness?

Reason 1:

$$f = (x-1+r_1)(x-1+r_2) \quad r_1, r_2 \in \mathbb{J}$$

$$g = (x-1)$$

$$h = (x-1)$$

Should  $g_1 = x-1+r_1$  ?

$$= x-1+r_2 \quad ?$$

(More seriously -- this is impediment  
even to existence. No example (i))

Reason 2:  $UG I^{t/2}$

$$\Rightarrow g_2 = g_1(1+u) ; h_2 = h_1(1-u)$$

are also solutions. So best to hope  
for is uniqueness up to such equivalences.

# The real Lemma

## Hensel Lemma

Let  $I \subseteq R \subseteq R[x]$  be an ideal;

$f, g, h, a, b \in R[x]$  be s.t.

$$(1) \quad f = g \cdot h \pmod{I}$$

$$(2) \quad ag + bh = 1 \pmod{I}$$

Then  $\forall t \exists g_1, h_1, a_1, b_1$  s.t.

$$(1') \quad f = g_1 \cdot h_1 \pmod{I^{2t}}$$

$$(2') \quad a_1 g_1 + b_1 h_1 = 1 \pmod{I^{2t}}$$

$$(3') \quad g_1 = g \pmod{I}; \quad h_1 = h \pmod{I}$$

Furthermore if  $g_2, h_2$  satisfy (1'), (2'), (3')

then  $\exists v \in I^t$  s.t.

$$g_2 = g_1 (1 + v) \pmod{I^{2t}}$$

$$h_2 = h_1 (1 - v) \pmod{I^{2t}}$$

# Proofs

Existence of  $a_1, b_1, g_1, h_1$  by induction on  $t$ . Say  $a_0, b_0, g_0, h_0$  satisfy  $(1')$ ,  $(2'')$ ,  $(3')$  for  $t_0 = t/2$ .

$$g_1, h_1 : \text{ let } f = g_0 h_0 + q \quad q \in I^t \\ \wedge \quad a_0 g_0 + b_0 h_0 = 1 + r_0 \quad r_0 \in I^t$$

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} g_1 &\triangleq g_0 + b_0 q \\ h_1 &\triangleq h_0 + a_0 q \end{aligned}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} g_1 h_1 &= g_0 h_0 + (a_0 g_0 + b_0 h_0) q + a_0 b_0 q^2 \\ &= g_0 h_0 + q + r_0 q + a_0 b_0 q^2 \\ &\quad \quad \quad \uparrow \quad \quad \quad \uparrow \\ &\quad \quad \quad I^{2t} \quad \quad \quad I^{2t} \end{aligned}$$

$$= f \pmod{I^{2t}} \quad \checkmark \quad (1')$$

Note  $(3')$  automatically satisfied.

Now let  $a_0 g_1 + b_0 h_1 = 1 + r_1$   
 $r_1 \in \mathbb{I}^t$

(must be since  $g_0 = g_1 \pmod{\mathbb{I}^t} \in h_0 = h_1 \pmod{\mathbb{I}^t}$ )

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 &\triangleq a_0(1 - r_1) \\ b_1 &\triangleq b_0(1 - r_1) \end{aligned}$$

$$a_1 g_1 + b_1 h_1 = 1 - r_1^2 = 1 \pmod{\mathbb{I}^{2t}}$$

$\uparrow$   
 $\mathbb{I}^{2t}$   
 $\longleftarrow x \longrightarrow$

### Uniqueness

Let  $g_2, h_2$  be solutions satisfying

(1'), (3') also

$$g_2 = g_1 + \alpha ; \quad h_2 = h_1 + \beta$$

Let  $l$  be largest integer s.t.

$$\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{I}^l$$

Case 1:  $l \geq t$

Since  $g_2 h_2 = g_1 h_1 \pmod{I^{2t}}$

we have

$$\alpha h_1 + \beta g_1 = 0 \pmod{I^{2t}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha b_1 h_1 = -\beta b_1 g_1 \pmod{I^{2t}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha (1 - a_1 g_1) = -\beta b_1 g_1 \pmod{I^{2t}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = (\alpha a_1 - \beta b_1) g_1 \pmod{I^{2t}}$$

Similarly

$$\beta = (\beta b_1 - \alpha a_1) h_1 \pmod{I^{2t}}$$

Thus  $U = \alpha a_1 - \beta b_1$  satisfies uniqueness condition

Case 2:  $l < t$

still define  $\alpha, \beta, u$  as above

$$g_2 = g_1 + \alpha \quad h_2 = h_1 + \beta$$

$$u = \alpha a_1 - \beta b_1$$

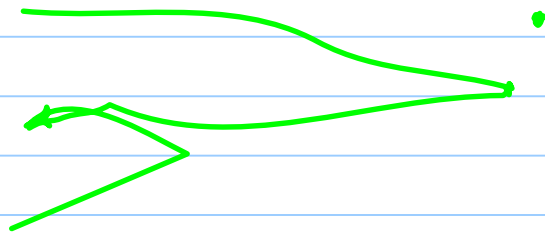
$$g_1 \cdot u = \alpha a_1 g_1 - \beta b_1 g_1$$

$$= \alpha \cdot 1 - \alpha b_1 h_1 - \beta b_1 g_1 \pmod{I^{2t}}$$

$$= \alpha - b_1 (\alpha h_1 + \beta g_1)$$

$$= \alpha \pmod{I^{2l}}$$

$$g_2 h_2 = g_1 h_1 (1 - u^2) \pmod{I^{2l}}$$



$$g_0 h_0 \rightarrow \begin{matrix} g_0 (1+u_0)(1+u_1) \\ h_0 (1-u_0)(1-u_1) \end{matrix}$$

$$g_0 h_0 (1-u_0^2)$$

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