# Certifying homological algorithms to study biomedical images\*

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#### Verification

## Verification and Theorem prover tools



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  - Mathematical proofs:
    - Four Color Theorem
    - Kepler Conjecture
    - Feit-Thompsom Theorem (Odd Order Theorem)
    - ...
  - Software and Hardware verification:
    - C compiler
    - AMD5K86 microprocessor
    - . . .







#### • Coq:

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- Y. Bertot and P. Castéran. Interactive Theorem Proving and Program Development. Coq'Art: The Calculus of Inductive Constructions Series. Texts in Theoretical Computer Science. An EATCS Series, 2004.

## $\mathrm{Coq}/\mathsf{SSReflect}$



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#### SSReflect:

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- Developed while formalizing the Four Color Theorem by G. Gonthier
- Used in the formalization of Feit-Thompson Theorem



Topological Spaces 
Invariant Groups

- Kenzo
  - Computer Algebra system devoted to Algebraic Topology implemented in *Common Lisp*
  - Homology groups which have not been obtained by other means

#### • fKenzo

- fKenzo: graphical user interface for the system Kenzo
- It is not necessary to be an expert in Algebraic Topology or Common Lisp to use it
- Provides new functionalities to Kenzo such as the homology computation for digital images

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#### Our approach

Formalize a technique to reduce the size of the information about a biomedical image (preserving its homological properties)

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The 95% of this thesis is devoted to formal verification

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## Biomedical Problem: counting synapses

- Synapses are the points of connection between neurons
- Relevance: Computational capabilities of the brain
- Procedures to modify the synaptic density may be an important asset in the treatment of neurological diseases, such as Alzheimer





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#### Count the synapses manually



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### The method



### Digital Image



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### **Digital Image**



# **Digital Image** Homology Groups $\begin{array}{l} H_0 = \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \\ H_1 = \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \end{array}$ $C_0 = \text{vertices}$ $C_1 = \text{edges}$ $C_2 = \text{triangles}$ Simplicial Complex Chain Complex



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Variable V : finType.
Definition simplex := {set V}.
Definition simplicial_complex (c : {set simplex}) :=
forall x, x \in c -> forall y : simplex, y \subset x -> y \in c.
```

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Definition incidenceMatrix :=
  \matrix_(i < m, j < n)
  if (nth set0 Left i) \in (boundary (nth set0 Top j)) then 1 else 0:
      bool.
Definition incidence_mx_n :=
   incidenceMatrix (enum n_1_simplices)(enum n_simplices).</pre>
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Theorem incidence_matrices_sc_product:
  forall (V:finType) (n:nat) (sc: {set (simplex V)}),
  simplicial_complex sc ->
  (incidence_mx_n sc n) *m (incidence_mx_n sc (n.+1)) = 0.
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Definition dim\_homology (mxf:'M[K]\_(v1,v2)) (mxg:'M[K]\_(v2,v3)) := v2 - \rank mxg - \rank mxf.

Lemma dimHomologyrankE: mxf \*m mxg = 0 -> \dim Homology (LinearApp mxf)(LinearApp mxg) = dim\_homology mxf mxg.

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- Reliability
- Biomedical images:
  - Reliability
  - Efficiency: size of the images
- Solution to our approach to the tackle the efficiency problem

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### Reduction

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A reduction  $\rho$  between two chain complexes  $C_*$  y  $D_*$  (denoted by  $\rho : C_* \Rightarrow D_*$ ) is a triple  $\rho = (f, g, h)$ 



satisfying the following relations:

1) 
$$fg = id_{D_*}$$

2) 
$$d_{C_*}h + hd_{C_*} = id_{C_*} - gf;$$

3) 
$$fh = 0;$$
  $hg = 0;$   $hh = 0.$ 

#### Theorem

If  $C_* \Rightarrow D_*$ , then  $C_* \cong D_* \oplus A_*$ , with  $A_*$  acyclic, this implies that  $H_n(C_*) \cong H_n(D_*)$  for all n.

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### **Discrete Vector Fields**

#### Definition

Let  $C_* = (C_p, d_p)_{p \in \mathbb{Z}}$  be a free chain complex with distinguished  $\mathbb{Z}$ -basis  $\beta_p \subset C_p$ . A (p-1)-cell  $\sigma$  is a face of a p-cell  $\tau$  if the coefficient of  $\sigma$  in  $d\tau$  is non-null. It is a regular face if this coefficient is +1 or -1.

#### Definition

A discrete vector field on  $C_*$  is a collection of pairs  $V = \{(\sigma_i, \tau_i)\}_{i \in \beta}$  satisfying the conditions:



- 2 Every component  $\sigma_i$  is a *regular face* of the corresponding component  $\tau_i$
- 3 A generator of  $C_*$  appears at most one time in V

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A V-path of degree p is a sequence  $\pi = ((\sigma_{i_k}, \tau_{i_k}))_{0 \le k < m}$  satisfying:

- 1 Every pair  $((\sigma_{i_k}, \tau_{i_k}))$  is a component of V and the cell  $\tau_{i_k}$  is a p-cell
- **2** For every 0 < k < m, the component  $\sigma_{i_k}$  is a face of  $\tau_{i_{k-1}}$ , non necessarily regular, but different from  $\sigma_{i_{k-1}}$

#### Definition

A discrete vector field V is admissible if for every  $p \in \mathbb{Z}$ , a function  $\lambda_p : \beta_p \to \mathbb{Z}$  is provided satisfying the property: every V-path starting from  $\sigma \in \beta_p$  has a length bounded by  $\lambda_p(\sigma)$ .

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A cell  $\chi$  which does not appear in a discrete vector field  $V = \{(\sigma_i, \tau_i)\}_{i \in \beta}$  is called a *critical cell*.

#### Vector-Field Reduction Theorem

Let  $C_* = (C_p, d_p, \beta_p)_p$  be a free chain complex and  $V = \{(\sigma_i, \beta_i)\}_{i \in \beta}$  be an admissible discrete vector field on  $C_*$ . Then the vector field V defines a canonical reduction  $\rho = (f, g, h) : (C_\rho, d_\rho) \Longrightarrow (C_\rho^c, d_\rho')$  where  $C_\rho^c = \mathbb{Z} \left[\beta_\rho^c\right]$  is the free  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module generated by the critical p-cells.



A. Romero and F. Sergeraert. Discrete Vector Fields and Fundamental Algebraic Topology, 2010. http://arxiv.org/abs/1005.5685v1.

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- 2 The entry  $M[a_i, b_i]$  of the matrix is 1
- Solution The indices  $a_i$  (resp.  $b_i$ ) are pairwise different
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## Main algorithms

#### Algorithm

Input: A matrix M Output: An admissible discrete vector field for M

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Input: A chain complex  $C_*$  and an admissible discrete vector field of  $C_*$ Output: A reduction from  $C_*$  to a reduced chain complex  $\hat{C}_*$ 



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# Romero-Sergeraert's Algorithm

#### Algorithm (The RS Algorithm)

Input: a matrix M with coefficients in  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Output: an admissible discrete vector field V for M and a list of relations r.

- Initialize the vector field V to the void vector field and the relations r to empty.
- 2 For every row i of M:
  - For every column j, which is different from the second components of V, such that M[i, j] = 1 or M[i, j] = −1:
    - Look for the rows  $k \neq i$  such as  $M[k, j] \neq 0$  and obtain the relations i > k. Then, build the transitive closure of r and these relations.

If there is no loop in that transitive closure: then: Add (i,j) to V, let r be that transitive closure, and repeat from Step 2 with the next row. else: Repeat from Step 2.1. with the next column.

# Example



	{	$0, 1$ }	$\{0, 2\}$	$\{1, 2\}$	$\{1, 3\}$	{2,3}	$\{3, 4\}$	$\{4, 5\}$	$\{4, 6\}$	$\{5, 6\}$
{0}	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 \
$\{1\}$	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
{2}		0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
{3}		0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
{ <b>4</b> }		0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
{5}		0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
<i>{</i> 6 <i>}</i>		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1 /

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**1** dvf = 
$$\{\}$$
, orders =  $\{\}$ 







$$\left(\begin{array}{cccccccc} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array}\right)$$

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Fixpoint genDvfOrders M V (ords : simpl_rel _) k :=
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   let P := [pred ij | admissible (ij::V) M
                      (relU ords (gen_orders M ij.1 ij.2))] in
   if pick P is Some (i,j)
      then genDvfOrders M ((i,j)::V)
                       (relU ords (gen_orders M i j)) 1
   else (V, ords)
 else (V. ords).
Definition gen_adm_dvf M :=
 genDvfOrders M [::] [rel x y | false] (minn m n).
Lemma admissible_gen_adm_dvf m n (M : 'M[Z2]_(m,n)) :
let (vf,ords) := gen_adm_dvf M in admissible vf M ords.
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#### Problem

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#### Goal

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### Key aspects of the formalization

- The role of SSREFLECT
- Different representations
- Casts
- Dealing with kernels

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```
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Definition simplex := {set V}.
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#### Conclusions

To compute  $\mapsto$  Sequences To prove  $\mapsto$  Abstract matrices



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    (mx_of_seqmx m n d1) *m (mx_of_seqmx n p d2) = 0.
```

```
Record chaincomplex:=
  {d1: matZ2;
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#### Notations

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- The clean semantics of purely functional languages
- Haskell functions often satisfy simple algebraic properties
- Provides a profiling system
  - Where the system wastes time
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  - Use Haskell
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This step is not enough to ensure that a program is correct

### Alternatives in the methodology

- Efficiency: Haskell is a programming language
- Reliability: we are not sure of the correctness of our programs

#### Haskell as an oracle

The heavy computations are done in Haskell and then the properties of the output of the computation are proved in  ${\rm SSReFLECT}$ 

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	Haskell	SSReflect
Without advf	0.06	0.46
With advf	0.046875	1.016

• We can compute in both systems
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- Haskell as an oracle:
  - $\bullet~$  Compute the admissible discrete vector field and reorder the matrix in  $\rm Coq$
  - The top-left block ulM is extracted to Haskell and the inverse matrix is returned invmx\_ulM
  - Prove in Coq:
    - The inverse of a matrix is unique
    - $\forall M, MM^{-1} = \mathsf{id} \Rightarrow M^{-1}M = \mathsf{id}$

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Lemma m_invmxm : (mulseqmx ulM invmx_ulM)
== (scalar_seqmx 64 (Ordinal (ltn_pmod 1 (ltnOSn 1)))).
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- The RS algorithm is not necessary ۲
- We can compute the dimension of the homology groups with the direct method

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#### Problem

• SSREFLECT cannot compute the homology directly

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- Computing in Haskell the reduced matrix *Mred* and the components f0, f1, g0, g1 and h0 which define a 2-truncated reduction
- 2 Transform the matrices to m Coq/SSReflect
- 3 Prove in Coq/SSReflect that these matrices establish a reduction
- **9** Compute  $H_0$  from the reduced matrix *Mred* in COQ/SSREFLECT

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		Haskell (min)	SSReflect
Without advf		0.68	Not available
With advf	Computation advf	108	Proofs
	Reduced matrices	26	12h 4min 55sec
	$H_0$	0.012	5sec
	Total	130	12h 5min

- We need to use the reduction method to obtain  $H_0$  in a reliable way
- The matrix  $743 \times 1424$  is reduced to  $59 \times 740$

### Sources of inefficiency

- Data types in languages of functional programming
  - Matrices
- Use of simplicial complexes instead of cubical complexes
- Execution inside the proof assistant
- Coq is a Proof Assistant and not a Computer Algebra system
- Concrete algorithms
  - Kenzo (ad-hoc algorithm to compute an admissible discrete vector field)
  - Heuristic techniques
- Proving needs more redundancy in algorithms

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