

# Explicit construction and parameters of projective toric codes

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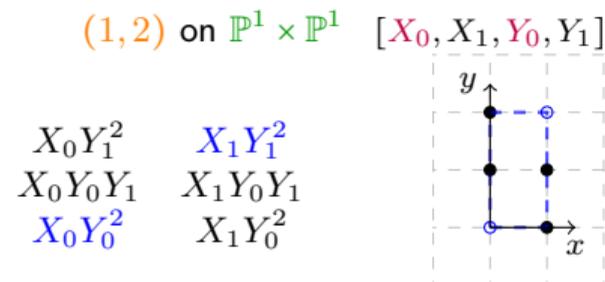
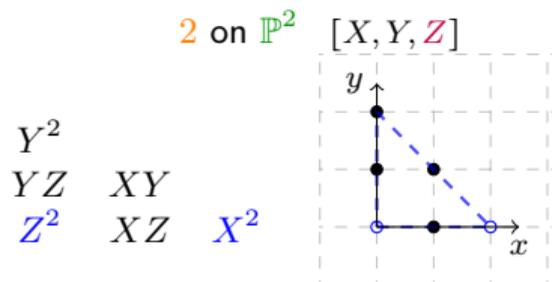
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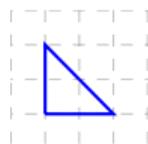
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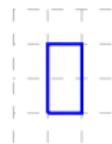
## Classical/Projective toric codes

An integral polytope  $P \subset \mathbb{R}^N$  (vertices in  $\mathbb{Z}^N$ ) defines an **abstract toric variety**  $\mathbf{X}_P$  with a **divisor**  $D$  and a **monomial basis of  $L(D)$**  (set of polynomials of a certain *degree*).

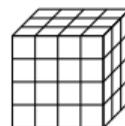
Size of  $P \leftrightarrow$  Degree in  $L(D)$


 $\mathbb{P}^2$ 

Degree 2


 $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$ 

Degree (1, 2)


 $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$ 

Degree (4, 3, 3)

Why **toric**?

$X_P$  contains a dense torus  $\mathbb{T}_P \simeq (\overline{\mathbb{F}_q}^*)^N$  whose rational points are  $(\mathbb{F}_q^*)^N$ .

Classical toric code:  $C_P = \{(f(\mathbf{t}))_{\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{T}_P(\mathbb{F}_q)} \mid f \in L(D)\}$

Hansen [Han02], Little-Schwarz [LS05], Ruano [Rua07], Soprunov-Soprunova [SS09]

**Aim** : Constructing and studying the **projective toric code**

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**Advantages similar to RM  $\rightarrow$  PRM:**

- ① length  $\nearrow$ , minimum distance  $\nearrow$  with roughly the same dimension.
- ② Strengthen the geometric interpretation

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- embedded in  $\mathbb{P}^3$  by the Segre map:  $(x_0, x_1, y_0, y_1) \mapsto (x_i y_j)$ ,
- defined as the quotient of  $(\mathbb{A}^2 \setminus \{(0,0)\})^2 \subset \mathbb{A}^4$  by the group  $(\bar{\mathbb{F}}^*)^2$  via the action

$$(\lambda, \mu) \cdot (x_0, x_1, y_0, y_1) = (\lambda x_0, \lambda x_1, \mu y_0, \mu y_1)$$

Functions= bihomogeneous polynomials

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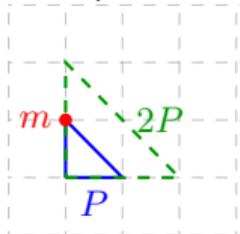
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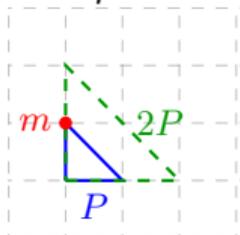
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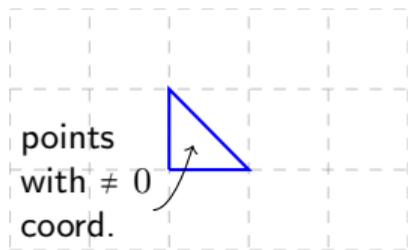
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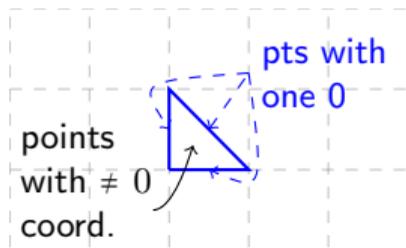
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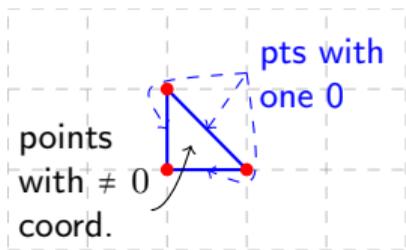
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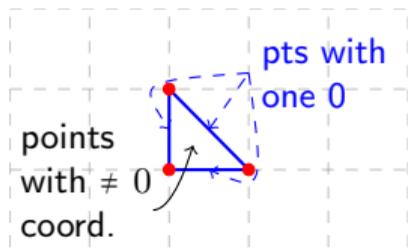
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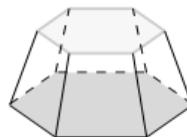
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### A random toric 3-fold



dim	3	2	1	0
# faces	1	8	18	12

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✓ Length of  $\text{PC}_P$

## Dimension of classical toric code

“Recall”: The integral points of  $P$  give a monomial basis of  $C_P$  and  $PC_P$ .

$$\text{Integral point } m \in P \cap \mathbb{Z}^N \leftrightarrow \underbrace{\text{ev}(\chi^{\langle m, P \rangle})}_{\text{monomial}} \in C_P/PC_P$$

CLASSICAL CASE: on  $\mathbb{F}_q^*$ ,  $x^{q-1} = 1$ .

For two elements  $(u, v) \in (\mathbb{Z}^N)^2$ , we write  $u \sim v$  if  $u - v \in (q-1)\mathbb{Z}^N$ .

## Theorem [Ruano 07]

- $\chi^{\langle m, P \rangle}(\mathbf{t}) = \chi^{\langle m', P \rangle}(\mathbf{t})$  for every  $\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{T}_P(\mathbb{F}_q) \Leftrightarrow m \sim m'$ ,
- If  $\overline{P}$  is a set of representatives of  $P \cap \mathbb{Z}^N$  modulo  $\sim$ , then  $\{(\chi^{\langle \overline{m}, P \rangle}(\mathbf{t}), \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{T}_P(\mathbb{F}_q) \mid \overline{m} \in \overline{P})\}$  is a basis of  $C_P$ .

Not so nice when homogenizing! On  $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{F}_q)$ ,  $X_0^q \neq X_0 X_1^{q-1}$  at  $[1 : 0]$ .

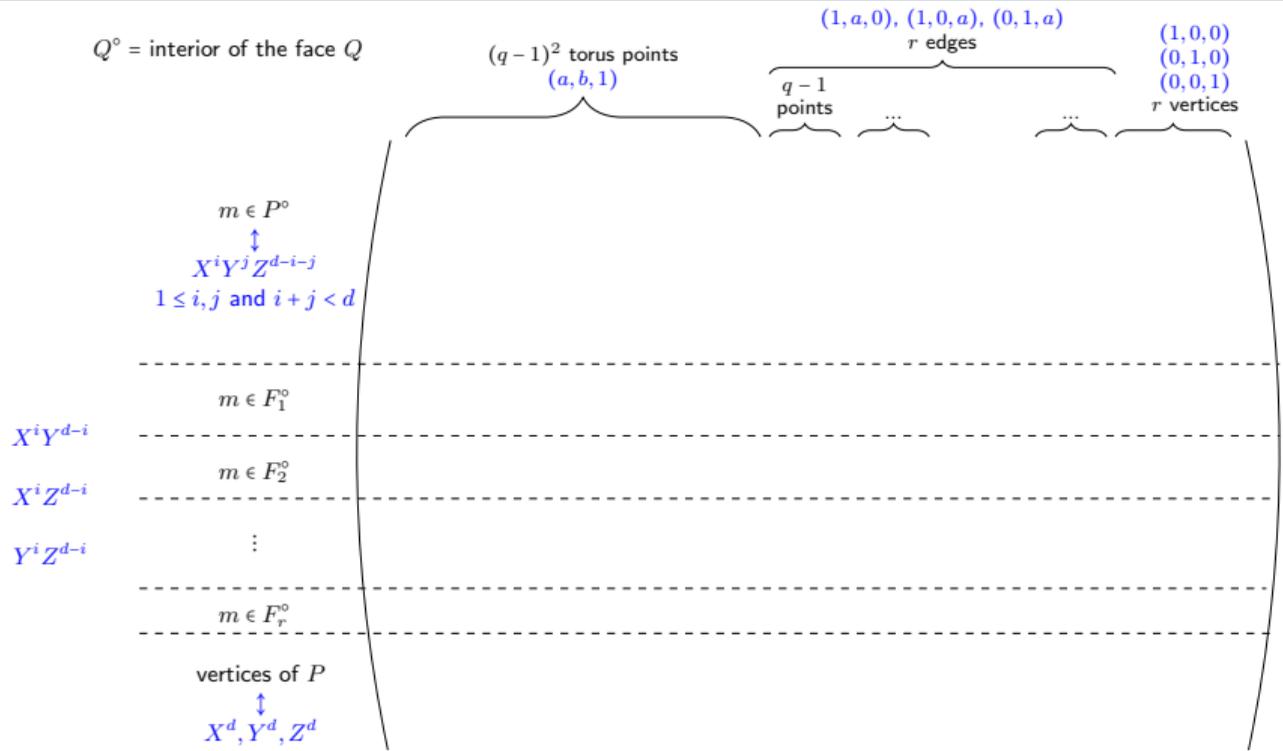


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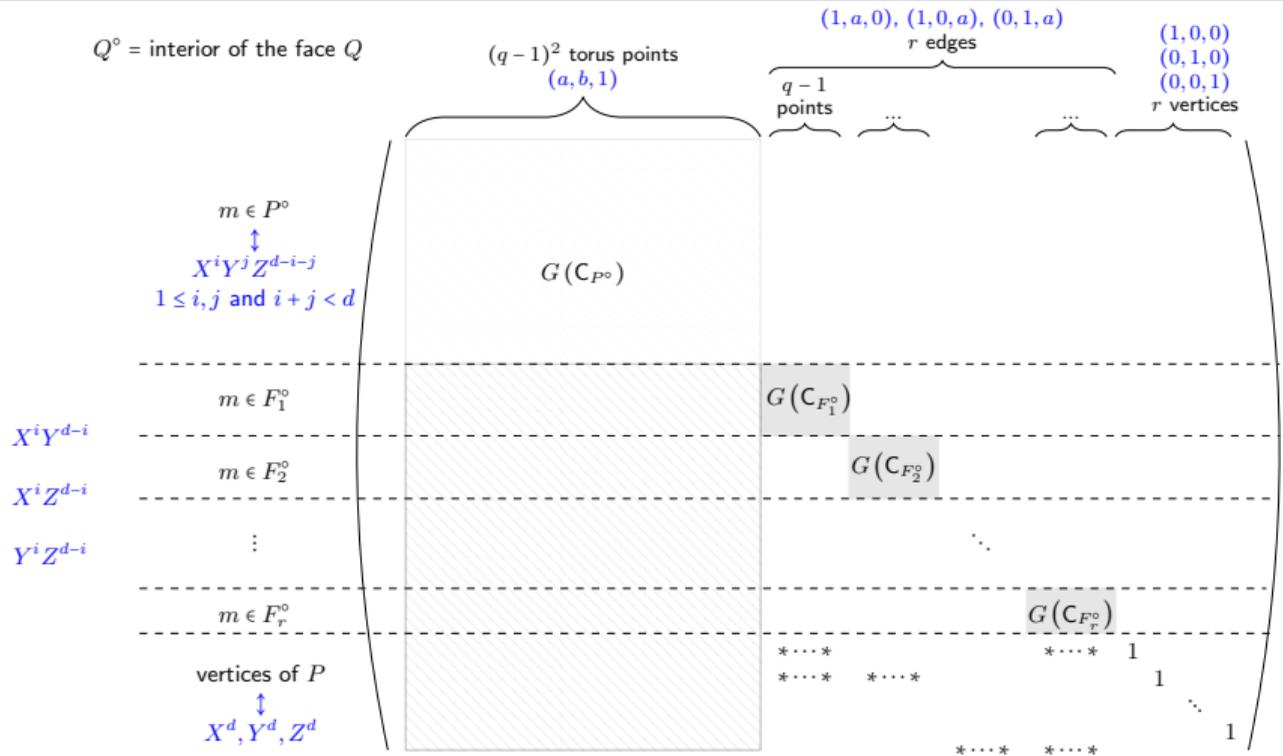


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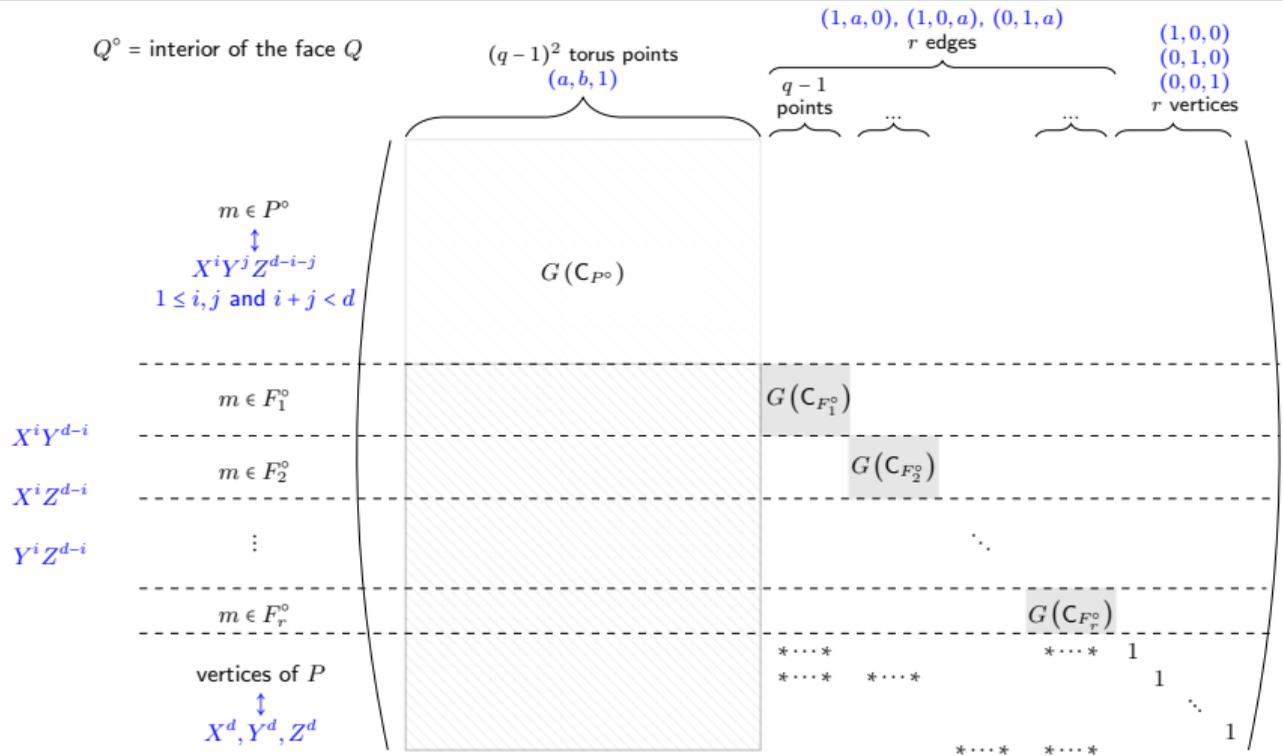


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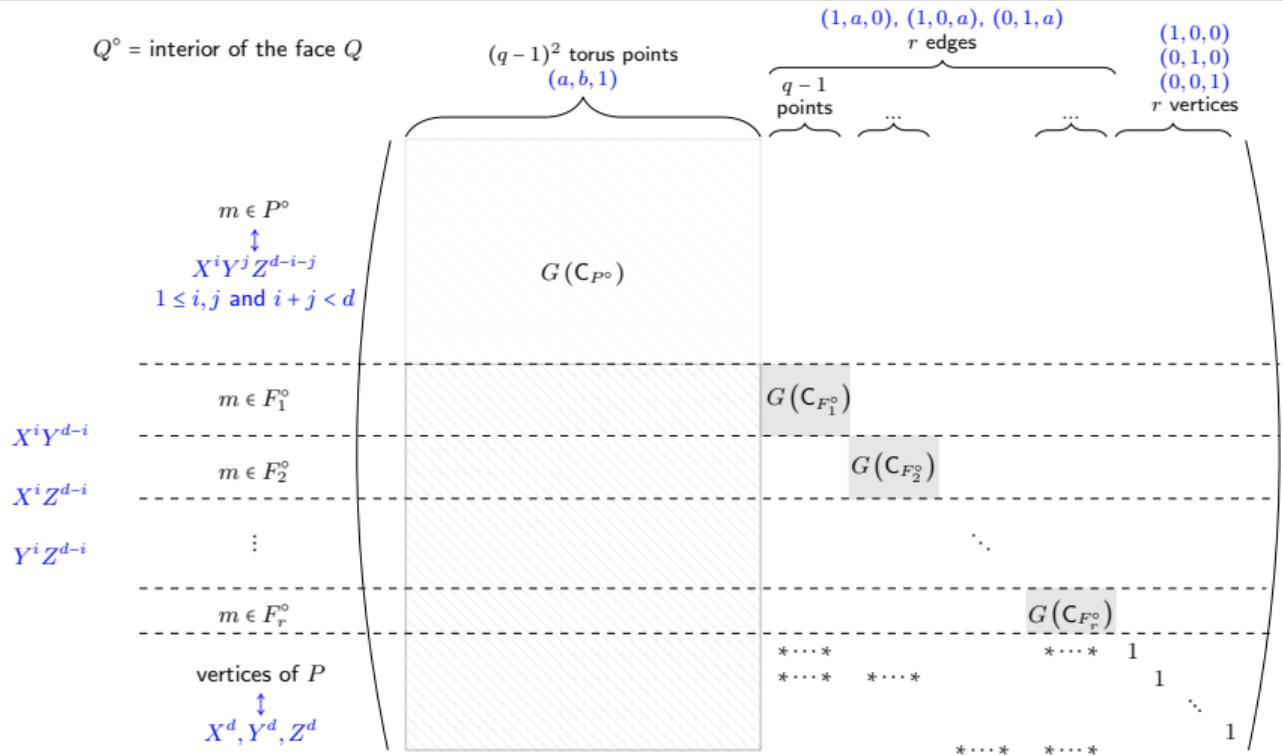


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For any polytope  $P$ , there is a *generator matrix* of  $PC_P$  with such a triangular block structure.

✓ Explicit construction of  $PC_P$

Dimension and reduction modulo  $q - 1$ 

Dimension of  $\text{PC}_P = \text{rank of the previous matrix} = \sum_Q \dim C_{Q^\circ}$

PROJECTIVE CASE: Reduction of  $P$  **face by face**.

On  $P \cap \mathbb{Z}^N$ , we write  $m \sim_P m'$  if there exists a face  $Q$  of  $P$  s.t.  $m, m' \in Q^\circ$  and  $m - m' \in (q - 1)\mathbb{Z}^N$ .

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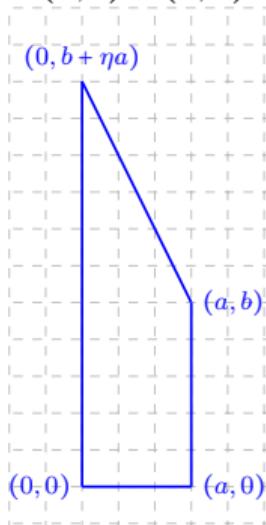
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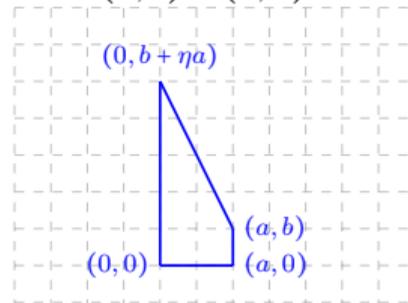
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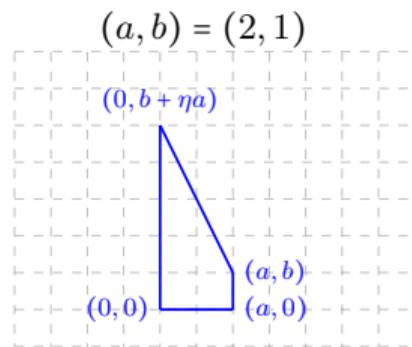
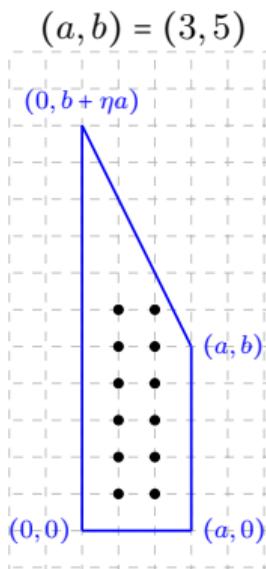
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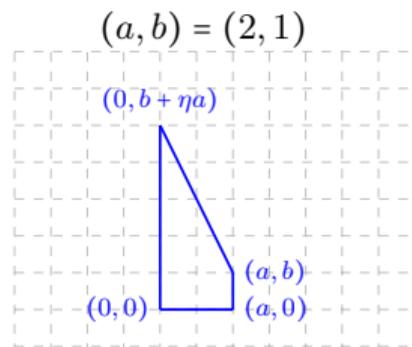
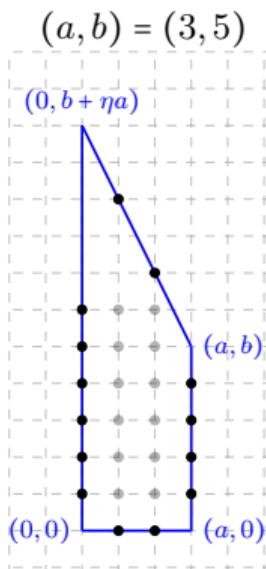
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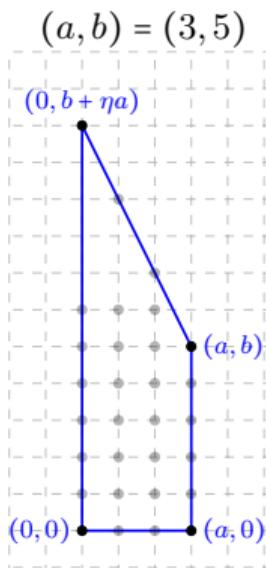
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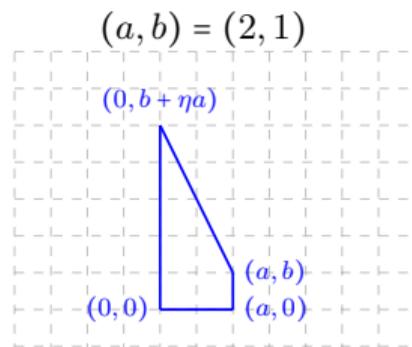
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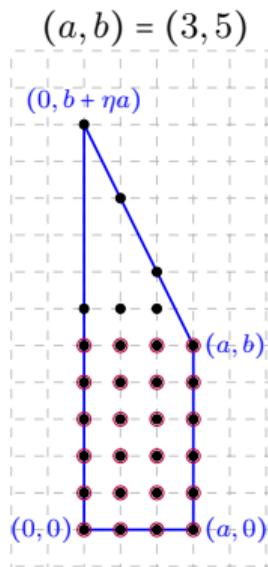
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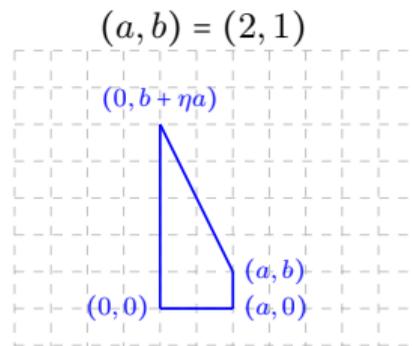
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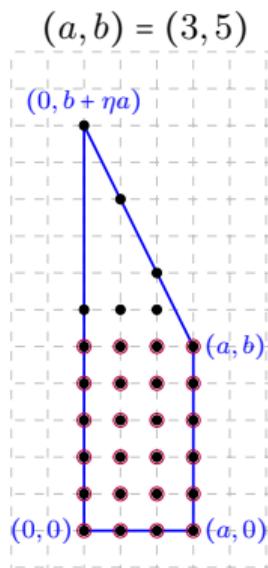
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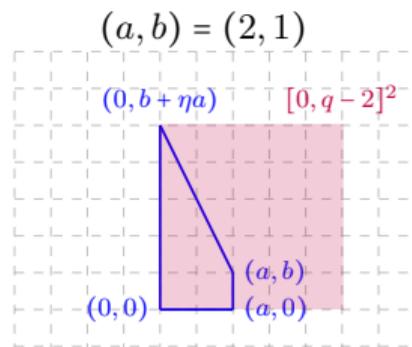
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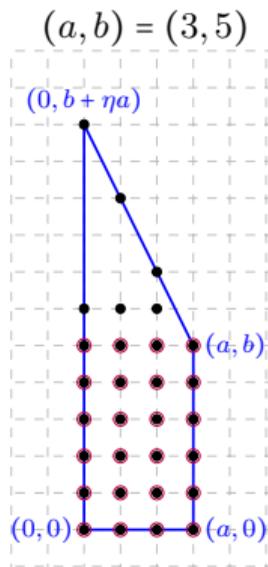
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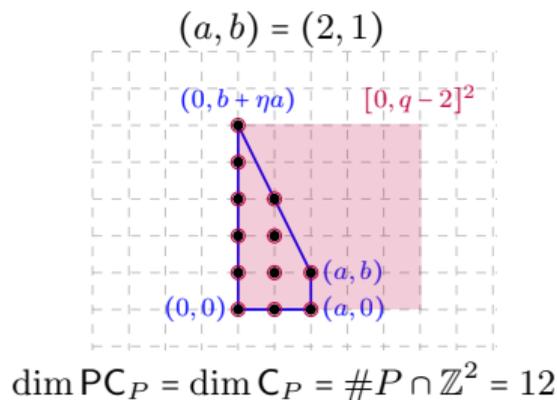
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Lower bound on the minimum distance of  $PC_P$  more technical [CN16, Nar19]

*Key ingredient:* (theoretical) **Gröbner basis** of the vanishing ideal of  $\mathbf{X}_P(\mathbb{F}_q)$

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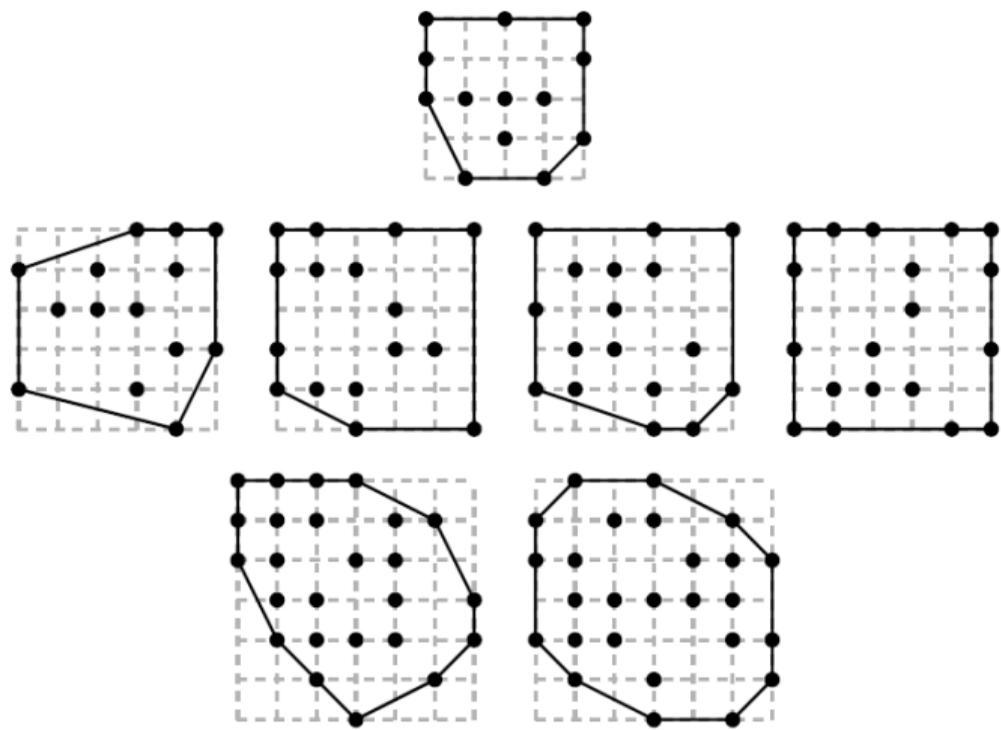
- compute **exactly the dimension** of the code  $PC_P$ ,
- get a lowerbound on the minimum distance (**not always sharp**),

provided that we have a **good algorithm to determine the integral points of a polytope**.

$\tilde{O}\left(\left(s^{\lceil \frac{N}{2} \rceil} + V\right) \log \delta\right)$  for a polytope of dim.  $N$  of vol.  $V$  with  $s$  vertices, and where  $\delta$  is the maximum modulus of the coordinates of the vertices of  $P$  [SV13, Prop. 3.5].



# 7 ways to get non Hamming-equivalent (generalized) $[49, 14, 26]_8$ toric codes [BK13]



## What now?

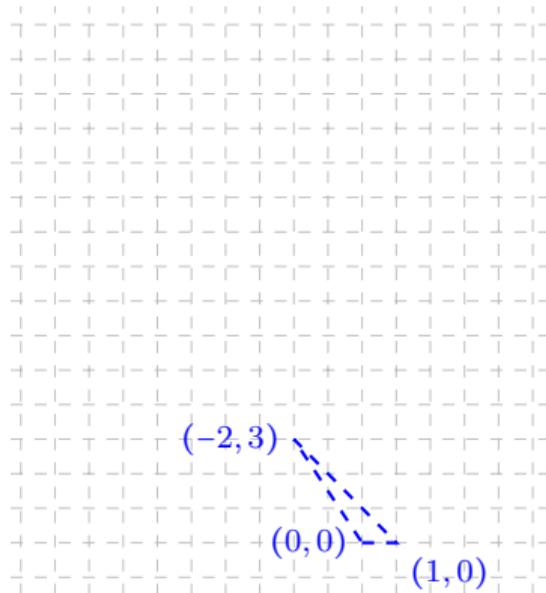
- Looking for new champion codes this way...
- Investigate properties of these codes : Local decodability [LN20], dual codes for application to secret sharing [Han16]

Thank you!

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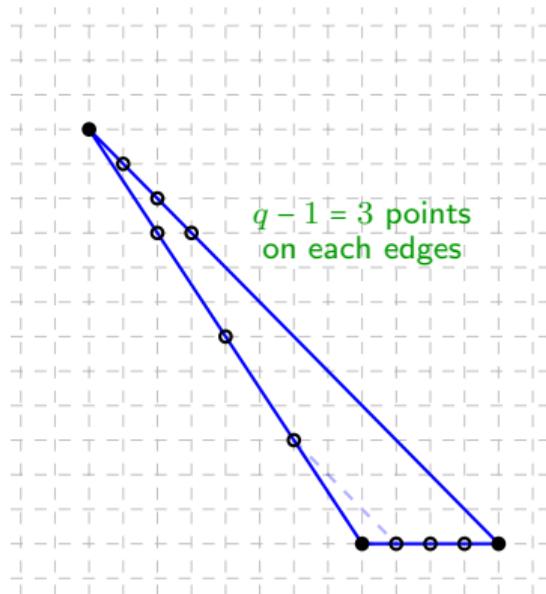
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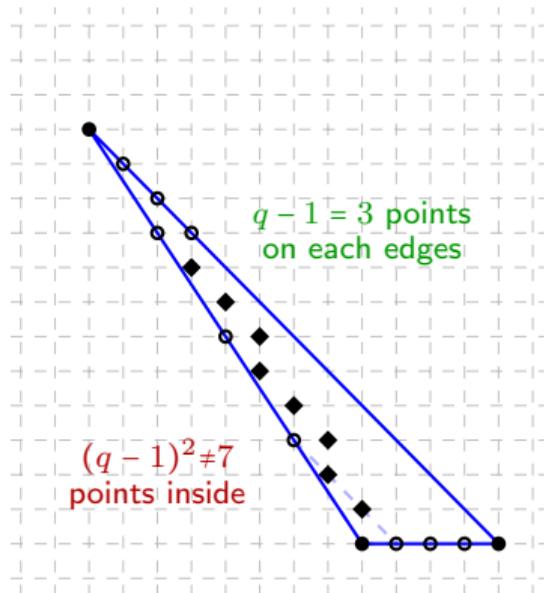
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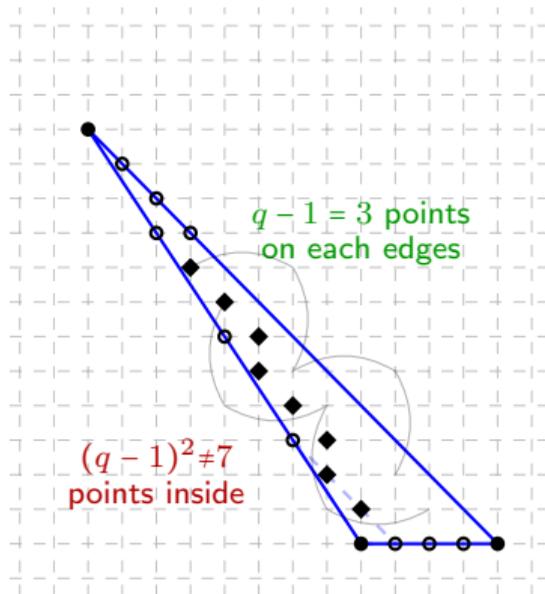
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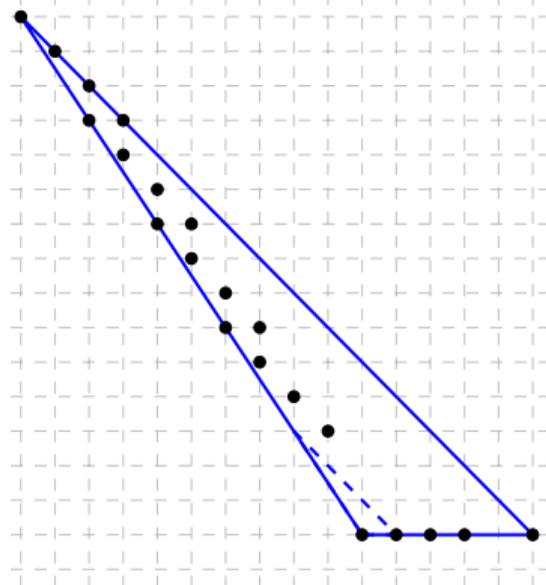
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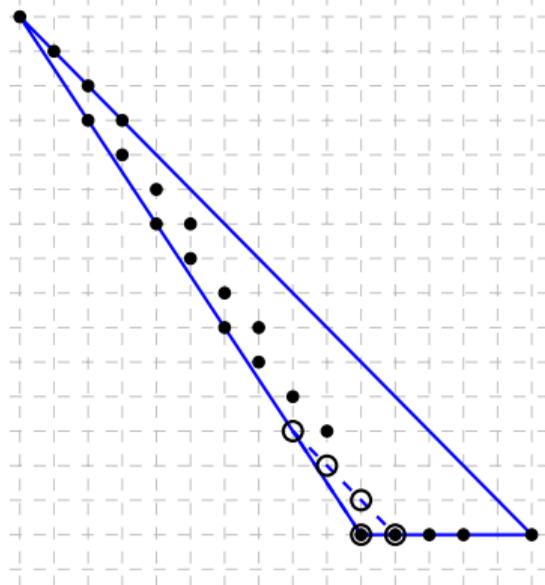
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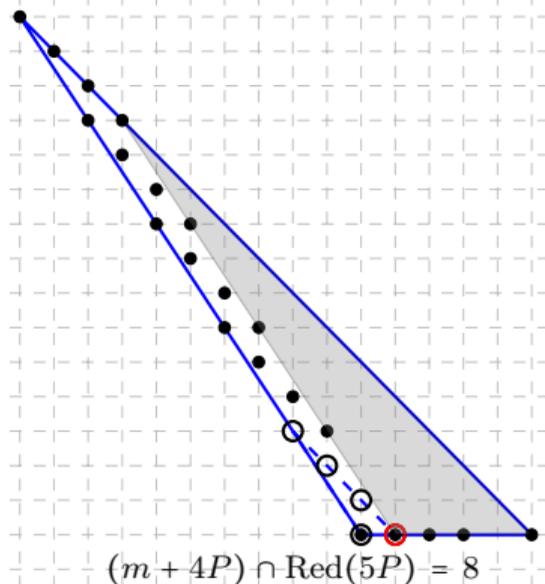
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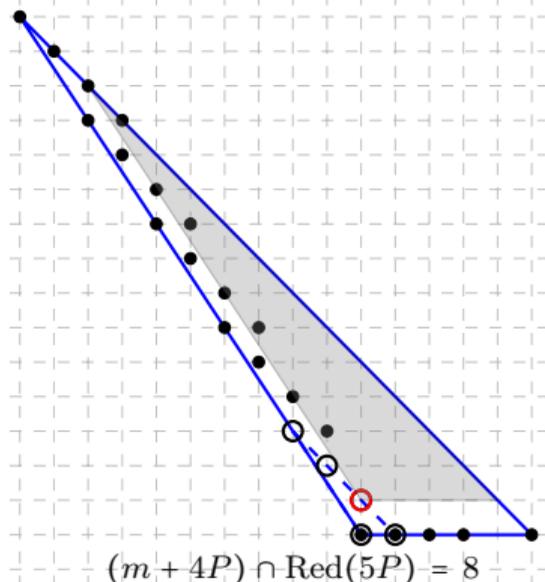
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