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MONOMIAL CURVES IN AFFINE SPACE AND THEIR ASSOCIATED PRIME IDEALS WITH SIX GENERATORS AS SET-THEORETIC COMPLETE INTERSECTIONS

The paper deals with the problem of the expression of associated prime ideals of monomial curves in the affine space A^4 as set-theoretic complete intersections. We describe some associated prime ideals, a minimal generating set of which has six elements and we prove that these ideals are set-theoretic complete intersections. Corresponding monomial curves are intersections of three hypersurfaces and we find the equations of these hypersurfaces.

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1. Introduction

It is known that k -dimensional algebraic affine variety is intersection of not fewer than $n - k$ hypersurfaces in n -dimensional affine space A^n . There is the presumption, that a number of these hypersurfaces is exactly $n - k$. In this case we can say, that they are ideal-theoretic or set-theoretic complete intersections. This is also equivalent to the fact, that either the associated ideal I of this variety has generators (ideal-theoretic complete intersection) or the ideal I is radical of an ideal a , $a \subseteq I$, the ideal a has $n - k$ generators (set-theoretic complete intersection). The number $n - k$ is also height of the ideal I . The ideal is called a set-theoretic complete intersection (s.t.c.i., for short), if there are $s = \text{ht}(I)$ elements $g_1, g_2, g_3, \dots, g_s$, such that $\text{rad}(I) = \text{rad}(g_1, g_2, g_3, \dots, g_s)$.

Let K be an arbitrary field, $R = K[x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4]$ the polynomial ring in four variables over K . $C = C(n_1, n_2, n_3, n_4)$ a monomial curve in affine space A^4 over K having parameterization $x_i = t^{n_i}, i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, where n_1, n_2, n_3, n_4 be positive integers with g.c.d. equal 1 and n_1, n_2, n_3, n_4 is a minimal set of generators for the numerical semigroup $H = \langle n_1, n_2, n_3, n_4 \rangle$.

The ideal P of all polynomials $f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \in R$ such that $f(t^{n_1}, t^{n_2}, t^{n_3}, t^{n_4}) = 0$, t transcendental over K , is the associated prime ideal of ring R of the monomial curve C . P is the corresponding ideal with $\dim(P) = 1$ and height $\text{ht}(P) = 3$. In particular, associated prime ideal P of monomial curve C in A^4 is a s.t.c.i., if $P = \text{rad}(g_1, g_2, g_3)$ and also a monomial curve C is a s.t.c.i. (more information in [1]).

The general problem of whether all associated ideals of monomial curves (or monomial curves) are s.t.c.i. is still open.

There are nevertheless some partial results in this direction. E.Kunz [1] showed that every monomial curve in 3-dimensional affine space is a s.t.c.i.

In 4-dimensional affine space A^4 , H. Bresinsky proved that if numerical semigroup H is symmetric, then the monomial curve $C(n_1, n_2, n_3, n_4)$ and its associated prime ideals are s.t.c.i. (see [2]). D. Patil presented in [3], if $n - 1$ numbers among m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n form an arithmetic sequence, then $C = C(m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n)$ in A^n is s.t.c.i. S.Solcan dealt with monomial curves $C(p^2, p^2 + p, p^2 + p + 1, (p + 1)^2)$ in A^4 as s.t.c.i. for the positive characteristic of the field K $\text{char } K = p \neq 0$ [4] and for $\text{char } K = 0$ [5]. W. Gastinger in [6] proved that associated prime ideals of monomial curves in A^4 are s.t.c.i. if minimal generating sets of these ideals have four generators. We showed that associated prime ideals of monomial curves whose minimal set of generators have five elements is s.t.c.i. [7].

2. The associated prime ideal P of the monomial curve C

Let a binomial term $\prod_{i=1}^4 x_i^{\gamma_i} - \prod_{i=1}^4 x_i^{\vartheta_i} \in P$, where $\gamma_i \vartheta_i = 0, i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. It is clear that $\sum_{i=1}^4 \gamma_i n_i = \sum_{i=1}^4 \vartheta_i n_i$.

We have basically two types of binomial terms of P .

$x_i^{\gamma_i} x_j^{\gamma_j} - x_k^{\gamma_k} x_l^{\gamma_l}, \{i, j, k, l\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, \gamma_i \gamma_j \gamma_k \gamma_l \neq 0$

or $x_i^{\gamma_i} - x_j^{\alpha_j} x_k^{\alpha_k} x_l^{\alpha_l}, \{i, j, k, l\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, r_i \neq 0$.

We denote the binomial term $x_i^{\gamma_i} - x_j^{\alpha_j} x_k^{\alpha_k} x_l^{\alpha_l}$ by $(x_i^{\gamma_i})$ if r_i is minimal and by $(x_i^{\gamma_i}, x_j^{\gamma_j})$ if $x_j^{\gamma_j} - x_i^{\alpha_i} x_k^{\alpha_k} x_l^{\alpha_l} \in P$ with r_j minimal and $\alpha_{ji} = r_i, \alpha_{jk} = \alpha_{jl} = 0$. Every generating set for

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P contains for each $i (i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\})$ at least one polynomial $x_i^{r_i} - x_j^{\alpha_{ij}} x_k^{\alpha_{ik}} x_l^{\alpha_{il}}$ with r_i minimal. We also denote polynomial $x_i^{r_i} - x_j^{\alpha_{ij}} x_k^{\alpha_{ik}} x_l^{\alpha_{il}}$ by $(x_i^{r_i}(k, l))$ if r_i is minimal with respect to the condition either $\alpha_{ik} \neq 0$ or $\alpha_{il} \neq 0$. We defined as H. Bresinsky a set in three cases as follows:

- For binomials $(x_i^{r_i})$, $s = i, j, k, l, \{i, j, k, l\}$ with at least two exponents α_{sh} not zero, $h \in \{i, j, k, l\} - \{s\}$ let $B = \{(x_i^{r_i}), (x_j^{r_j}), (x_k^{r_k}), (x_l^{r_l})\}$
- Let $(x_i^{r_i}, x_j^{r_j}) \in P$ but $(x_k^{r_k}, x_l^{r_l}) \notin P$. Then either $B = \{(x_i^{r_i}, x_j^{r_j}), (x_k^{r_k}), (x_l^{r_l})\}$ or $B = \{(x_i^{r_i}, x_j^{r_j}), (x_k^{r_k}), (x_l^{r_l}), (x_j^{r_j}(k, l))\}$,
- $B = \{(x_i^{r_i}, x_j^{r_j}), (x_k^{r_k}, x_l^{r_l})\} \cup C, C \subseteq \{(x_j^{r_j}(k, l)), (x_i^{r_i}(i, j))\}$.

We write $x_i^{\gamma_i} x_j^{\gamma_j} \not\prec x_k^{\gamma_k} x_l^{\gamma_l}$ if either $\gamma_i > \gamma_k$ and $\gamma_j > \gamma_l$ or the inequalities are reversed. For binomials we write $x_i^{\gamma_i} x_j^{\gamma_j} - x_k^{\gamma_k} x_l^{\gamma_l} \not\prec x_i^{\gamma_i} x_j^{\gamma_j} - x_k^{\gamma_k} x_l^{\gamma_l}$ if $\not\prec$ holds between the first and second monomials of this binomials, i.e. if $x_i^{\gamma_i} x_j^{\gamma_j} \not\prec x_k^{\gamma_k} x_l^{\gamma_l}$ and $x_k^{\gamma_k} x_l^{\gamma_l} \not\prec x_i^{\gamma_i} x_j^{\gamma_j}$.

We next define a set $D_{ij}, i \neq j, \{i, j\} \subset \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, $D_{ij} = \{f = x_i^{\gamma_i} x_j^{\gamma_j} - x_k^{\gamma_k} x_l^{\gamma_l}, \{k, l\} \subset \{1, 2, 3, 4\} - \{i, j\}, \gamma_h < r_h' \text{ for the polynomials } (x_h^{r_h}(k, l)) \text{ if } h \in \{i, j\}, \text{ for the polynomials } (x_h^{r_h}(i, j)) \text{ if } h \in \{k, l\} \text{ and for each binomial term } f' = x_i^{\gamma_i} x_j^{\gamma_j} - x_k^{\gamma_k} x_l^{\gamma_l} \in P, f' \neq f \text{ is } f' \not\prec f\}$.

The definition of sets B, D_{ij} gives

Corollary 2.1

1. If $B = \{(x_1^{r_1}), (x_2^{r_2}), (x_3^{r_3}), (x_4^{r_4})\}$ and $x_i^{\gamma_i} x_j^{\gamma_j} - x_k^{\gamma_k} x_l^{\gamma_l} \in D_{ij}$, $\{i, j, k, l\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, then $\gamma_h < r_h, h \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$.
2. Let $B = \{(x_i^{r_i}, x_j^{r_j}), (x_k^{r_k}), (x_l^{r_l})\}$. If $x_i^{\gamma_i} x_j^{\gamma_j} - x_k^{\gamma_k} x_l^{\gamma_l} \in D_{ik}$, or $x_i^{\gamma_i} x_j^{\gamma_j} - x_k^{\gamma_k} x_l^{\gamma_l} \in D_{il}$, $\{i, j, k, l\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, then $\gamma_h < r_h, h \in \{i, j\}$. If $x_i^{\gamma_i} x_j^{\gamma_j} - x_k^{\gamma_k} x_l^{\gamma_l} \in D_{ij}$, $\{i, j, k, l\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, then $\gamma_h < r_h, h \in \{k, l\}$.
3. Let $B = \{(x_i^{r_i}, x_j^{r_j}), (x_k^{r_k}), (x_l^{r_l}), (x_j^{r_j}(k, l))\}$. If $x_i^{\gamma_i} x_j^{\gamma_j} - x_k^{\gamma_k} x_l^{\gamma_l} \in D_{ik}$, or $x_i^{\gamma_i} x_j^{\gamma_j} - x_k^{\gamma_k} x_l^{\gamma_l} \in D_{il}$, $\{i, j, k, l\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, then $\gamma_h < r_h, h \in \{i, j\}$. If $x_i^{\gamma_i} x_j^{\gamma_j} - x_k^{\gamma_k} x_l^{\gamma_l} \in D_{ij}$, $\{i, j, k, l\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, then $\gamma_h < r_h, h \in \{k, l\}$.
4. Let $B = \{(x_i^{r_i}, x_j^{r_j}), (x_k^{r_k}, x_l^{r_l})\} \cup C, C \subseteq \{(x_j^{r_j}(k, l)), (x_i^{r_i}(i, j))\}$. If $x_i^{\gamma_i} x_j^{\gamma_j} - x_k^{\gamma_k} x_l^{\gamma_l} \in D_{ik}$, or $x_i^{\gamma_i} x_j^{\gamma_j} - x_k^{\gamma_k} x_l^{\gamma_l} \in D_{il}$, $\{i, j, k, l\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, then $\gamma_h < r_h, h \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. If $x_i^{\gamma_i} x_j^{\gamma_j} - x_k^{\gamma_k} x_l^{\gamma_l} \in D_{ij}$, $\{i, j, k, l\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, then $\gamma_h < r_h, h \in \{j, l\}$.

In [8], H. Bresinsky gives the following theorem.

Theorem 2.1

$M = B \cup D_{ij} \cup D_{ik} \cup D_{il}, \{i, j, k, l\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ is a minimal generating set for the associated prime ideal $P = P(n_1, n_2, n_3, n_4)$ of the monomial curve in A^4 .

We can find in [6], Lemma 7.1, the next property of minimal generating set for a prime ideal P .

Lemma 2.1 Let $g_j = \prod_{i=1}^t x_i^{\gamma_i}, j = 1, \dots, t$ be a monomial term in R .

Let $M = \{x_1^{r_1} - g_1, x_2^{r_2} - g_2, g_3 - g_4, \dots, g_{t-1} - g_t\}$ be a minimal generating set for the associated prime ideal P of the monomial curve in A^4 . If $x_2 | g_1$ and $x_1 | g_2$, then there is an integer $k, 3 \leq k \leq t$ with $g_k = x_1^{\delta_1} x_2^{\delta_2}$.

Following theorems we proved in [7].

Theorem 2.2 Let $B = \{(x_1^{r_1}), (x_2^{r_2}), (x_3^{r_3}), (x_4^{r_4})\} \subseteq M$, where M is a minimal generating set for the associated prime ideal P of a monomial curve in A^4 . If $x_i^{r_i} - x_j^{\alpha_{ij}} x_k^{\alpha_{ik}} x_l^{\alpha_{il}} \in B$ and $\alpha_{ij} \neq 0$, $\{i, j, k, l\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, then $\alpha_{ji} < r_i$.

Theorem 2.3 Let $B = \{(x_i^{r_i}, x_j^{r_j}), (x_k^{r_k}), (x_l^{r_l}), (x_j^{r_j}(k, l))\}$ and $B \subseteq M, \{i, j, k, l\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ where M is a minimal generating set for the associated prime ideal P of a monomial curve in A^4 .

If $\alpha_{kl} \neq 0$, then $\alpha_{lk} < r_k$.

If $\alpha_{lk} \neq 0$, then $\alpha_{kl} < r_l$.

If $\alpha_{ju} \neq 0$, then $\alpha_{uj} < r_j', u = k, l$.

If $\alpha_{ju} \neq 0$, then $\alpha_{ju} < r_u, u = k, l$.

Theorem 2.4 If $B = \{(x_i^{r_i}, x_j^{r_j}), (x_k^{r_k}, x_l^{r_l})\} \cup C \subseteq M, C \subseteq \{(x_j^{r_j}(k, l)) = x_j^{r_j} - x_i^{\alpha_{ij}} x_k^{\alpha_{ik}} x_l^{\alpha_{il}} (x_i^{r_i}(i, j)) = x_i^{r_i} - x_j^{\alpha_{ji}} x_k^{\alpha_{jk}} x_l^{\alpha_{jl}}\}$, $\{i, j, k, l\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ and M is a minimal generating set for the associated prime ideal P of a monomial curve in A^4 . Then $\alpha_{ji} < r_i$ and $\alpha_{lk} < r_k$.

Theorem 2.5 Let P be the associated prime ideal of a monomial curve in A^4 .

Let $B = \{(x_1^{r_1}), (x_2^{r_2}), (x_3^{r_3}), (x_4^{r_4})\}$ and

$M = B \cup D_{12} \cup D_{13} \cup D_{14}$ be a minimal generating set for the ideal $P, x_i^{\gamma_i} x_j^{\gamma_j} - x_k^{\gamma_k} x_l^{\gamma_l} \in D_{ij}, \{i, j, k, l\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. If $(x_i^{r_i}) \in B, s \in \{k, l\}, (x_s^{r_s}) = x_s^{r_s} - N_s$ and $N_s = x_k^{\alpha_{sk}} x_l^{\alpha_{sl}}$, then either $\alpha_{si} > \gamma_i \wedge \alpha_{sj} < \gamma_j$ or $\alpha_{si} < \gamma_i \wedge \alpha_{sj} > \gamma_j$.

When we use permutation of index $(i, j, k, l) \rightarrow (k, l, i, j)$ in Theorem 2.5 we receive following

Corollary 2.2 Let P be the associated prime ideal of a monomial curve in A^4 .

Let $B = \{(x_1^{r_1}), (x_2^{r_2}), (x_3^{r_3}), (x_4^{r_4})\}$ and

$M = B \cup D_{12} \cup D_{13} \cup D_{14}$ be a minimal generating set for the ideal $P, x_i^{\gamma_i} x_j^{\gamma_j} - x_k^{\gamma_k} x_l^{\gamma_l} \in D_{ij}, \{i, j, k, l\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. If $(x_i^{r_i}) \in B, s \in \{k, l\}, (x_s^{r_s}) = x_s^{r_s} - N_s$ and $N_s = x_k^{\alpha_{sk}} x_l^{\alpha_{sl}}$, then either $\alpha_{sk} > \gamma_k \wedge \alpha_{sl} < \gamma_l$ or $\alpha_{sk} < \gamma_k \wedge \alpha_{sl} > \gamma_l$.

3. The minimal generating set for a prime ideal P having six generators

The inducted propositions give necessary conditions on a minimal set of generators for an associated prime ideal P of a monomial curve in A^4 . When we use methods presented in [9]

- [11] and we also suppose that the minimal generating set M has six generators

$$\begin{aligned} M = \{ & x_i^{r_i} - x_j^{\alpha_{ij}} x_k^{\alpha_{ik}} x_l^{\alpha_{il}}, x_j^{r_j} - x_i^{\alpha_{ji}} x_k^{\alpha_{jk}} x_l^{\alpha_{jl}}, \\ & x_k^{r_k} - x_i^{\alpha_{ki}} x_j^{\alpha_{kj}} x_l^{\alpha_{kl}}, x_l^{r_l} - x_i^{\alpha_{li}} x_j^{\alpha_{lj}} x_k^{\alpha_{lk}} - x_j^{\omega_j} x_k^{\omega_k} - x_j^{\omega_j} x_l^{\omega_l}, \\ & x_i^{\gamma_i} x_l^{\gamma_l} - x_j^{\gamma_j} x_k^{\gamma_k} \} \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where $\{i, j, k, l\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, α_{ik} and α_{jk} are not equal to zero, we get that there is an $u \in N_0$ and all exponents must satisfy the following equations:

$$\begin{aligned} r_i &= \alpha_{ji} + \alpha_{ki} + (u+1)\alpha_{li}, \\ r_j &= \alpha_{ij} + \alpha_{kj} + (u+1)\alpha_{lj}, \\ r_k &= \alpha_{ik} + \alpha_{jk}, \\ r_l &= \omega_l + \alpha_{jl} = \gamma_l + \alpha_{il}, \\ (u+1)r_l &= \alpha_{il} + \alpha_{jl} + \alpha_{kl}, \\ \omega_i &= \alpha_{li} + \alpha_{ji}, \omega_j = \alpha_{ij} + \alpha_{kl} + u\alpha_{lj}, \\ \omega_k &= \alpha_{jk}, \omega_l = \alpha_{il} + \alpha_{kl} - ur_l, \\ \gamma_i &= \alpha_{ji} + \alpha_{ki} + u\alpha_{li}, \gamma_j = \alpha_{ij} + \alpha_{kl}, \\ \gamma_k &= \alpha_{ik}, \gamma_l = \alpha_{jl} + \alpha_{kl} - ur_l. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

4. Set-theoretic complete intersection

In this section we will prove that each associated prime ideal P of the monomial curve C , whose minimal generating set M has description (1) is s.t.c.i. and the corresponding monomial curve C is also s.t.c.i. We show that C is an intersection of three hypersurfaces and we give the equations of these hypersurfaces.

Theorem 4.1 *Let P be the associated prime ideal of the monomial curve C in A^4 .*

If $M = \{x_i^{r_i} - x_j^{\alpha_{ij}} x_k^{\alpha_{ik}} x_l^{\alpha_{il}}, x_j^{r_j} - x_i^{\alpha_{ji}} x_k^{\alpha_{jk}} x_l^{\alpha_{jl}}, x_k^{r_k} - x_i^{\alpha_{ki}} x_j^{\alpha_{kj}} x_l^{\alpha_{kl}}, x_l^{r_l} - x_i^{\alpha_{li}} x_j^{\alpha_{lj}} x_k^{\alpha_{lk}} - x_j^{\omega_j} x_k^{\omega_k} - x_j^{\omega_j} x_l^{\omega_l} - x_j^{\gamma_j} x_k^{\gamma_k}\}$ is a minimal generating set for the prime ideal P , where $\{i, j, k, l\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, α_{ik} and α_{jk} are not equal to zero and exponents satisfy equations (2) for some $u \in N_0$, then this prime ideal P (monomial curve C) is a set-theoretic complete intersection.

Proof. To prove our claim we need to show that $P = \text{Rad}(g_1, g_2, g_3)$, $g_s \in P, s \in \{1, 2, 3\}$. We find expression of polynomials $g_s \in P, s \in \{1, 2, 3\}$.

Now we denote polynomials from the minimal generating set M as $g_2 = x_k^{r_k} - x_i^{\alpha_{ki}} x_j^{\alpha_{kj}} x_l^{\alpha_{kl}}, g_3 = x_l^{r_l} - x_i^{\alpha_{li}} x_j^{\alpha_{lj}} x_k^{\alpha_{lk}}, \{i, j, k, l\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. When we add a polynomial $g \in (g_2, g_3)$ to a polynomial $f \in R$ we denote it as \rightarrow . Let $F_1 = x_j^{r_j} - x_i^{\alpha_{ji}} x_k^{\alpha_{jk}} x_l^{\alpha_{jl}}$, then we have

$$F_1^{r_1 r_l} = (-1)^{r_1 r_l} \sum_{h=0}^{r_1 r_l} r_k r_l \binom{r_k r_l}{h} (-1)^h (x_i^{\alpha_{ji}} x_k^{\alpha_{jk}} x_l^{\alpha_{jl}})^{r_1 r_l - h} x_j^{r_j h}.$$

We denote $b_h = r_k r_l \binom{r_k r_l}{h} (-1)^{r_1 r_l + h}, h = 0, \dots, r_k r_l$.

$$\begin{aligned} F_1^{r_1 r_l} &\rightarrow \sum_{h=0}^{\alpha_{jk} r_l} b_h x_i^{\alpha_{ji}(r_k r_l - h) + \alpha_{ki}(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h)} x_k^{\alpha_{jk} h} x_l^{\alpha_{li}(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h) + \alpha_{jl}(r_k r_l - h)} x_j^{r_j h + \alpha_{li}(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h)} \\ &+ \sum_{h=\alpha_{jk} r_l + 1}^{r_k r_l} b_h (x_i^{\alpha_{ji}} x_k^{\alpha_{jk}} x_l^{\alpha_{jl}})^{r_1 r_l - h} x_j^{r_j h} \end{aligned}$$

[if $h \leq \alpha_{jk} r_l$, then $x_k^{\alpha_{jk}(r_k r_l - h)} \rightarrow x_k^{\alpha_{jk} h} (x_i^{\alpha_{ji}} x_j^{\alpha_{jl}} x_l^{\alpha_{li}})^{(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h)}$]

$$\rightarrow \sum_{h=0}^{\alpha_{jk} r_l} b_h (x_i^{\alpha_{ji}(r_k r_l - h) + \alpha_{ki}(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h) + \alpha_{li}(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h) + u(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h)}) x_k^{\alpha_{jk} h} \cdot x_l^{\gamma_l(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h)} x_j^{r_j h + \alpha_{li}(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h) + \alpha_{jl}(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h) + u(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h)}$$

$$+ \sum_{h=\alpha_{jk} r_l + 1}^{r_k r_l} b_h (x_i^{\alpha_{ji}} x_k^{\alpha_{jk}} x_l^{\alpha_{jl}})^{r_1 r_l - h} x_j^{r_j h}$$

[if $h \leq \alpha_{jk} r_l$, then

$$\begin{aligned} x_l^{\alpha_{li}(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h) + \alpha_{jl}(r_k r_l - h)} &\rightarrow x_l^{\gamma_l(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h)} (x_i^{\alpha_{ji}} x_j^{\alpha_{jl}})^{\alpha_{jl} \alpha_{li} + u(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h)} \\ &\rightarrow \sum_{h=0}^{\alpha_{jk} \gamma_l - 1} b_h (x_i^{\alpha_{ji}(r_k r_l - h) + \alpha_{ki}(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h) + \alpha_{li}(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h) + u(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h) + \alpha_{jk} \gamma_l - h}) x_k^{\alpha_{jk} h} \\ &\cdot x_i^{\alpha_{ji} h} x_j^{r_j h + \alpha_{li}(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h) + \alpha_{jl}(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h) + u(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h) + \alpha_{jk} \gamma_l - h}) \\ &+ \sum_{h=\alpha_{jk} \gamma_l}^{\alpha_{jk} r_l} b_h (x_i^{\alpha_{ji}(r_k r_l - h) + \alpha_{ki}(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h) + \alpha_{li}(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h) + u(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h)}) x_k^{\alpha_{jk} h} \\ &\cdot x_i^{\alpha_{ji} h} x_j^{r_j h + \alpha_{li}(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h) + \alpha_{jl}(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h) + u(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h) + \alpha_{jk} \gamma_l - h}) \end{aligned}$$

[if $h < \alpha_{jk} \gamma_l$, then $x_l^{\gamma_l(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h)} \rightarrow x_l^{\alpha_{li} h} (x_i^{\alpha_{ji}} x_j^{\alpha_{jl}})^{\alpha_{jk} \gamma_l - h}$]

$$\begin{aligned} &= x_j^{\alpha_{jk} \alpha_{li} + \alpha_{li} \alpha_{jk} r_l + \alpha_{li} \alpha_{jk} r_l} \left(\sum_{h=0}^{\alpha_{jk} \gamma_l - 1} b_h (x_i^{\alpha_{ji}} x_k^{\alpha_{jk}} x_l^{\alpha_{li}})^h \right) \\ &\cdot x_i^{\alpha_{ji} r_k r_l + \alpha_{ji}(\alpha_{li} + u \alpha_{li}) + \alpha_{li}(\alpha_{jk} \gamma_l + \alpha_{li} \alpha_{jk}) - r_l h} \\ &+ \sum_{h=\alpha_{jk} \gamma_l}^{\alpha_{jk} r_l} b_h x_i^{\alpha_{ji} r_k r_l + \alpha_{ji}(\alpha_{li} + u \alpha_{li}) + \alpha_{li} \alpha_{jk} r_l - (r_l - \alpha_{li})h} x_k^{\alpha_{jk} h} x_l^{\gamma_l(\alpha_{jk} r_l - h)} x_j^{\alpha_{li} h + \alpha_{jl}(h - \alpha_{jk} \gamma_l)} \\ &+ \sum_{h=\alpha_{jk} r_l + 1}^{r_k r_l} b_h (x_i^{\alpha_{ji}} x_k^{\alpha_{jk}} x_l^{\alpha_{jl}})^{r_1 r_l - h} x_j^{\alpha_{li} h + (\alpha_{li} u + \alpha_{li})(h - \alpha_{jk} r_l) + \alpha_{li}(h - \alpha_{jk} \gamma_l - \alpha_{li} \alpha_{jk})} \\ &= x_j^{\alpha_{jk} \alpha_{li} + \alpha_{li} \alpha_{jk} r_l + \alpha_{li} \alpha_{jk} r_l} g_1. \end{aligned}$$

Let $F_2 = x_i^{r_i} - x_j^{\alpha_{ji}} x_k^{\alpha_{jk}} x_l^{\alpha_{jl}}$ be another generator of the ideal P . We know that $x_j^{(u+1)\alpha_{ij} + \alpha_{ij}} F_2 \equiv -x_k^{\alpha_{ik}} x_l^{\alpha_{il}} F_1 \text{ mod}(g_2 g_3)$

and it is easy to see that

$$x_j^{((u+1)\alpha_{ij} + \alpha_{ij}) r_k r_l} F_2^{r_k r_l} \equiv (-1)^{r_k r_l} (x_i^{\alpha_{li}} x_j^{\alpha_{jl}})^{\alpha_{jk} r_l} (x_i^{\alpha_{ji}} x_j^{\alpha_{jl}})^{\alpha_{li} r_k r_l} F_1^{r_k r_l} \text{ mod}(g_2 g_3).$$

and

$$F_1^{r_1 r_l} \equiv x_j^{\alpha_{jk} \alpha_{li} + \alpha_{li} \alpha_{jk} r_l + \alpha_{li} \alpha_{jk} r_l} g_1 \text{ mod}(g_2 g_3). \quad (3)$$

We know that $R/(g_2 g_3)$ is a module over $K[x_j]$ and $\{g_2 g_3\}$ is a Grobner basis for $(g_2 g_3)$ with respect to the lexicographic order, taking $x_l > x_k > x_j$. By [12], Chapter 1, § 3, Exercise 4 each element $\tilde{f} \in R/(g_2 g_3)$ is uniquely expressed $\tilde{f} = a_1^l \cdot 1 + \dots + a_n^l \cdot x_k^{r_k - 1} + a_2^l \cdot x_1 + \dots + a_2^l \cdot x_l x_k^{r_k - 1} + \dots + a_1^l \cdot x_l^{r_l - 1} + \dots + a_n^l \cdot x_l^{r_l - 1} x_k^{r_k - 1} + (g_2, g_3)$, $a_n^l \in K[x_i, x_j]$, $n = 1, 2, \dots, r_l$. Clearly, the module $R/(g_2 g_3)$ has a linearly independent basis $\{\bar{1}, \dots, \bar{x}_l^{r_l - 1} x_k^{r_k - 1}\}$ over $K[x_i, x_j]$, thus is free module over $K[x_i, x_j]$ and its rank is $r_k r_l$. Therefore

$$F_2^{r_1 r_l} \equiv (-1)^{r_1 r_l} x_j^{\alpha_{li} \alpha_{jk} r_l + \alpha_{li}(\alpha_{jk} r_l + \alpha_{li} \alpha_{jk})} g_1 \text{ mod}(g_2 g_3). \quad (4)$$

We denote the generator $x_i^{\omega_i} x_k^{\omega_k} - x_j^{\omega_j} x_l^{\omega_l}$ of ideal P as F_3 . Moreover,

$$x_j^{\alpha_{ij}} F_3 \equiv -x_l^{\alpha_{il} + \alpha_{li} - ur_l} F_1 \text{ mod}(g_2 g_3), \text{ hence}$$

$$x_j^{\alpha_{ij}r_i r_j} F_3^{r_i r_j} \equiv (-1)^{r_i r_j} (x_i^{\alpha_{ii}} x_j^{\alpha_{jj}})^{r_i r_j (\alpha_{ii} + \alpha_{jj} - \alpha_{ij})} F_1^{r_i r_j} \mod(g_2, g_3).$$

We use the same properties as above and we have a consequence,

$$F_3^{r_i r_j} \equiv (-1)^{r_i r_j} x_i^{\alpha_{ii} r_i (\alpha_{ii} + \gamma_i - \alpha_{ii})} x_j^{\alpha_{jj} r_j (\alpha_{jj} + \gamma_j - \alpha_{ij})} g_1 \mod(g_2, g_3) \quad (5)$$

We denote the generator $x_i^{\gamma_i} x_j^{\gamma_j} - x_i^{\gamma_i} x_j^{\gamma_j}$ of ideal P as F_4 . We know that $x_j^{\alpha_{ij} + \alpha_{jj}} F_4 \equiv -x_i^{\alpha_{ii}} F_1 \mod(g_2, g_3)$ and $x_j^{(\alpha_{ij} + \alpha_{jj})r_i r_j} F_4^{r_i r_j} \equiv (-1)^{r_i r_j} (x_i^{\alpha_{ii}} x_j^{\alpha_{jj}})^{r_i r_j (\alpha_{ii} + \alpha_{jj})} F_1^{r_i r_j} \mod(g_2, g_3)$

When we use the same method as above, we get

$$F_4^{r_i r_j} \equiv (-1)^{r_i r_j} x_i^{\alpha_{ii} r_i (\alpha_{ii} + \alpha_{jj} - \alpha_{ij})} x_j^{\alpha_{jj} r_j (\alpha_{jj} + \gamma_j - \alpha_{ij})} g_1 \mod(g_2, g_3) \quad (6)$$

If P is the associated prime ideal of the monomial curve, then $P = \text{Rad}(P)$ and $g_1 \in P$. This implies that $(g_1, g_2, g_3) \subseteq P$ and this inclusion induces $\text{Rad}(g_1, g_2, g_3) \subseteq P = \text{Rad}(P)$. From (3), (4), (5), (6) then we can easily get $P \subseteq \text{Rad}(g_1, g_2, g_3)$. Then $P = \text{Rad}(g_1, g_2, g_3)$ and the proof is completed.

Example 4.1. We take the minimal generating set M_t for the associated prime ideals $P, t \in \{1, 2\}$ of the monomial curves $C_1(11, 15, 18, 35)$ and $C_2(20, 25, 39, 41)$ which is given by Computer algebra system Macaulay created by D.Bayer and M.Stillman.

$$M_1 = \{x_1^3 - x_2 x_3, x_2^5 - x_1^2 x_3 x_4, x_3^4 - x_1^2 x_2 x_4, x_4^2 - x_1^2 x_2^2 x_3,$$

$$x_1 x_3^3 - x_2^2 x_4, x_1 x_4^2 - x_3^2 x_4\},$$

$$M_2 = \{x_1^4 - x_3 x_4, x_2^4 - x_1 x_3 x_4, x_3^4 - x_1^2 x_2^3 x_4, x_4^3 - x_1 x_2 x_3^2,$$

$$x_1^2 x_3^3 - x_2^3 x_4^2, x_2 x_3^3 - x_1^2 x_4^2\}.$$

The ideals $P, t \in \{1, 2\}$ generating by these sets belongs to the case of Theorem 4.1 for $(i, j, k, l) = (2, 3, 4, 1)$, $u = 1$ and $(i, j, k, l) = (3, 4, 2, 1)$, $u = 0$.

Hence ideals $P, t \in \{1, 2\}$ is s.t.c.i.

$P_1 = \text{Rad}(g_1, x_1^3 - x_2 x_3, x_4^2 - x_1^2 x_2^2 x_3)$, where

$$g_1 = x_2^{18} - 6x_1^2 x_3^8 x_4 + 15x_1^4 x_3^8 x_4^2 - 20x_2^5 x_3^5 x_4^3 + \sum_{h=4}^6 (-1)^{6+h} \binom{6}{h} x_3^{4h-9} (x_1^2 x_2 x_4)^{6-h} \text{ and}$$

$P_2 = \text{Rad}(g_2, x_1^4 - x_3 x_4, x_2^4 - x_1 x_3 x_4)$, where

$$g_2 = x_3^{41} - 16x_1^2 x_2^3 x_3^{37} x_4 + 120x_1^5 x_2^3 x_3^{34} x_4^3 - 560x_1^4 x_2 x_3^{32} x_4^6 + \sum_{h=4}^{16} (-1)^{16+h} \binom{16}{h} x_4^{3h-9} (x_1 x_2 x_3^2)^{16-h}.$$

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