# CoCoALib - Feature #1030

## IsInRadical: case of homog ideal

14 Mar 2017 13:54 - John Abbott

Status:	Closed	Start date:	14 Mar 2017	
Priority:	Normal	Due date:		
Assignee:	John Abbott	% Done:	100%	
Category:	Improving	Estimated time:	0.00 hour	
Target version:	CoCoALib-0.99560	Spent time:	10.45 hours	
Description				
Currently IsInRadical is defined in a CPKG5, but may soon be translated to CoCoALib.				
The case of a homog poly in a homog ideal is handled specially.				
I wonder if we cannot improve it by simply testing each homog component of the poly for membership in the radical.				
Related issues:				
Related to CoCoA-5 - Bug #1032: IsInRadical: fragile code			Closed	17 Mar 2017
Related to CoCoALib - Feature #1033: Split poly into homog parts			Closed	17 Mar 2017
Related to CoCoA-5 - Bug #1610: IsInRadical: some more little bugs			Closed	27 Sep 2021

### History

### #1 - 14 Mar 2017 14:00 - John Abbott

- Subject changed from IsInRadical: case of homog poly to IsInRadical: case of homog ideal

- Status changed from New to In Progress

- % Done changed from 0 to 10

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### #2 - 14 Mar 2017 14:18 - Anna Maria Bigatti

John Abbott wrote:

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 $\begin{array}{l} \text{correct:} \ f=f_d+....\ (f_d \text{ homog of } deg\ d=deg(f)).\\ f^n=(f_d)^n+...\ in\ I \ implies \ (f_d)^n \ in\ I \ implies \ f_d\ is\ in\ radical(I) \end{array}$ 

## #3 - 17 Mar 2017 11:07 - John Abbott

- Related to Bug #1032: IsInRadical: fragile code added

## #4 - 17 Mar 2017 11:17 - John Abbott

- Related to Feature #1033: Split poly into homog parts added

### #5 - 19 Jul 2017 19:14 - John Abbott

- Status changed from In Progress to Feedback
- Assignee set to John Abbott
- Target version changed from CoCoALib-1.0 to CoCoALib-0.99560
- % Done changed from 10 to 90

The CoCoA-5 package was translated into C++ by some students at Kassel.

I have cleaned up the resulting code, and checked it in: see files RadicalMembership

I have added doc and a test (but no example).

I have made the fns available via CoCoA-5; the old package is still there, but I have changed the fn names to avoid clashes. Probably the package should simply be deleted (perhaps after a bit more testing?)

I have added a couple of "heuristic tricks" to **IsInRadical**, as otherwise computation times can be very long (esp, when the polynomial is not in the radical). The trick is just to see if a generator (or RGB element) is not square-free; if so, add as new generator the "radical" of that generator.

Note that SqFreeFactor can be slow when coeffs are in a finite field (since GCD is still via a GBasis computation); so the trick is not applied to "big" polys.

#### #6 - 22 Jul 2017 15:18 - John Abbott

I wonder if either of the following ideas could be completed into an algorithm (with reliable output):

- 1. if the ideal is not 0-dim, adjoin some random linear polys (or linear forms) to the gens possibly making the ideal 0-dim, then test for radical membership. If poly is not in radical of extended ideal, it is surely not in the radical of the original ideal; the other case is less clear.
- 2. if ideal is over QQ, try a modular approach; perhaps use MinPowerInIdeal to predict power of original power which ought to be in the original ideal (and then test that power directly).

Is it true that every (polynomial) ideal *I* has an "exponent" *exp(I)* such that for any polynomial IsInRadical(f,I) iff f^exp(I) IsIn I. I'm not sure how the exponent could be computed.

### #7 - 10 Nov 2017 12:23 - John Abbott

- Status changed from Feedback to Closed
- % Done changed from 90 to 100

### #8 - 28 Nov 2017 17:56 - John Abbott

- Description updated

### #9 - 15 Feb 2024 16:13 - Anna Maria Bigatti

- Related to Bug #1610: IsInRadical: some more little bugs added