

$$G4 := [a + b + c + d, a \cdot b + b \cdot c + c \cdot d + d \cdot a, a \cdot b \cdot c + b \cdot c \cdot d + c \cdot d \cdot a + d \cdot a \cdot b, a \cdot b \cdot c \cdot d - 1];$$

$$[a + b + c + d, a b + a d + b c + c d, a b c + a b d + a c d + b c d, a b c d - 1] \quad (1)$$

with(Groebner);

$$[Basis, FGLM, HilbertDimension, HilbertPolynomial, HilbertSeries, Homogenize, InitialForm, InterReduce, IsBasis, IsProper, IsZeroDimensional, LeadingCoefficient, LeadingMonomial, LeadingTerm, MatrixOrder, MaximalIndependentSet, MonomialOrder, MultiplicationMatrix, MultivariateCyclicVector, NormalForm, NormalSet, RationalUnivariateRepresentation, Reduce, RememberBasis, SPolynomial, Solve, SuggestVariableOrder, Support, TestOrder, ToricIdealBasis, TrailingTerm, UnivariatePolynomial, Walk, WeightedDegree] \quad (2)$$

Basis(G4, tdeg(a, b, c, d)); # a Groebner basis with total degree ordering

$$[a + b + c + d, b^2 + 2 b d + d^2, b c^2 - b d^2 + c^2 d - d^3, b c d^2 - b d^3 + c^2 d^2 + c d^3 - d^4 - 1, b d^4 + d^5 - b - d, c^3 d^2 + c^2 d^3 - c - d, c^2 d^4 + b c - b d + c d - 2 d^2] \quad (3)$$

Basis(G4, plex(a, b, c, d));

# A groebner basis with pluely lexicographic ordering. There is no polynomial in d alone, so d is undetermined

$$[c^2 d^6 - c^2 d^2 - d^4 + 1, c^3 d^2 + c^2 d^3 - c - d, b d^4 + d^5 - b - d, c^2 d^4 + b c - b d + c d - 2 d^2, b^2 + 2 b d + d^2, a + b + c + d] \quad (4)$$

G4b := [b + d, op(G4)]; # If we just want the roots, (b+d)<sup>2</sup> is **in** the Groebner basis, so we can just add b + d (losing multiplicity information, of course)

$$[b + d, a + b + c + d, a b + a d + b c + c d, a b c + a b d + a c d + b c d, a b c d - 1] \quad (5)$$

Basis(G4b, plex(a, b, c, d));

$$[c^2 d^2 - 1, b + d, a + c] \quad (6)$$

# Now the solutions are obvious: d is free and c is either the reciprocal of d or its inverse, and b and a are determined