

Defect Polytopes and Counter-Examples with polymake



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achievements in recent versions:

- ▶ lattice polytopes and relation toric geometry
- ▶ cones, fans, and polyhedral complexes
- ▶ callable library



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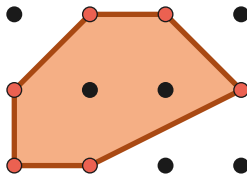
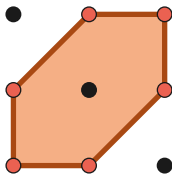


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`cdd`, `lrs`, `nauty`, `Singular`, `TOMPCOM`, `gfan`
`normaliz`, `4ti2`, `latte`, ...





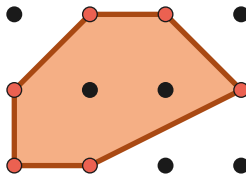
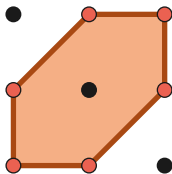
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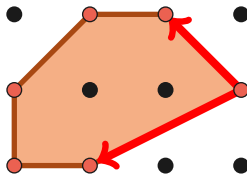
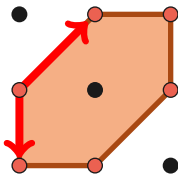
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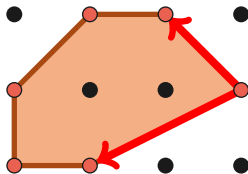
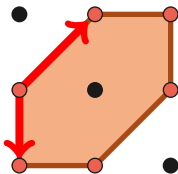
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normalized volume w.r.t. $\Lambda = \text{span}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\text{aff } F \cap \mathbb{Z}^d)$





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Theorem: $C := [0, 1]^3$, then $c_r(\text{pyr}^r(C)) = -r! < 0$





- ▶ open source, GNU Public license
- ▶ latest release: version 2.10 (beta), released today
 - ▶ sources available at <http://polymake.org>
 - ▶ precompiled: rpm, deb, FreeBSD, (Mac app)
- ▶ online documentation at <http://polymake.org>
- ▶ user forum at <http://forum.polymake.org>
- ▶ this demo at http://polymake.org/doku.php/tutorial/a_determinants
- ▶ **extensions**: add and distribute your own objects, properties, rules, ...

