# Fast LLL-Type Lattice Reduction.

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**Abstract.** We modify the concept of LLL-reduction of lattice bases in the sense of LENSTRA, LENSTRA, LOVÁSZ [LLL82] towards a faster reduction algorithm. We organize LLL-reduction in segments of the basis.

Our SLLL-bases approximate the successive minima of the lattice in nearly the same way as LLL-bases. For integer lattices of dimension n given by a basis of length  $2^{O(n)}$ , SLLL-reduction runs in  $O(n^{5+\varepsilon})$  bit operations for every  $\varepsilon>0$ , compared to  $O(n^{7+\varepsilon})$  for the original LLL and to  $O(n^{6+\varepsilon})$  for the LLL-algorithms of SCHNORR (1988) and STORJOHANN (1996). We present an even faster algorithm for SLLL-reduction via iterated subsegments running in  $O(n^3\log n)$  arithmetic steps.

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Abbreviated Title. Fast LLL-Lattice Reduction.

## 1 Introduction.

The set of all linear combinations with integer coefficients of a set of linearly independent vectors  $\boldsymbol{b}_1,...,\boldsymbol{b}_n \in \mathbb{R}^d$  is a lattice of dimension n with basis  $\boldsymbol{b}_1,...,\boldsymbol{b}_n$ . The problem of finding a shortest, nonzero lattice vector is a landmark problem in complexity theory. This problem is polynomial time for fixed dimension n due to [Le83, LLL82] and is NP-hard for varying n [E81, Aj98, Mi98]. The famous LLL-algorithm of LENSTRA, LENSTRA, LOVÁSZ [LLL82] for lattice basis reduction is a ground breaking technique for solving important problems in algorithmic number theory, integer optimization, diophantine approximation and cryptography, for a few recent applications see [BN00, Bo00, Co97,Co01,NS00,BM03,Ma03] and [Lo86,MG02,S04] for background. We refer to integer lattices of dimension n contained in  $\mathbb{Z}^d$ , d = O(n), given by a lattice basis of vectord of Euclidean length  $M_0$ . Throughout the introduction we assume that  $M_0 = 2^{O(n)}$ . Lattice reduction decreases the length of such input bases by at most a factor  $2^{O(n)}$ .

Performance of the original LLL-algorithm [LLL82]. The **LLL** performs  $O(n^5)$  arithmetic steps using  $O(n^2)$ -bit integers. Approximating the shortest lattice vector to within length defect c means to find a nonzero lattice vector with at most c-times the minimal possible length. The LLL achieves for arbitrary  $\varepsilon > 0$  length defect  $(\frac{4}{3} + \varepsilon)^{n/2}$ . It repeatedly constructs short bases in two-dimensional lattices, the two-dimensional problem was already solved by GAUSS [Ga801].

Finding very short lattice vectors. Finding very short lattice vectors requires additional search beyond LLL-type reduction. The algorithm of KANNAN [K83] finds the shortest lattice vector in  $n^{O(n)}$  steps. The improved algorithm of Helfrich [He85] runs in  $n^{\frac{n}{2}+o(n)}$  steps. The recent probabilistic sieve algorithm of [AKS01] runs in  $2^{O(n)}$  average time and space, but is impractical as the exponent O(n) is about 30 n. SCHNORR [S87] has generalized the LLL-algorithm by repeated construction of short lattice bases of dimension  $2k \geq 2$ . 2k-reduction [S87] runs in  $O(n^3k^{k+o(k)}+n^4)$  arithmetic steps achieving length defect  $(2k)^{n/k}$ . The stronger BKZ-reduction [S87, SE91] is quite efficient for  $k \leq 20$  but lacks a proven time bound. LLL-reduction is the case k=1 of 2k-reduction. Recently, AJTAI [Aj03] proves a complexity lower bound for 2k-reduction that matches the proven time bound of [S87] up to a constant factor in the exponent. By random sampling of short lattice vectors SCHNORR [S03] achieves under heuristic assumptions in  $O(n^3k^k + n^4)$  steps length defect  $(k/6)^{n/8k}$ , the 8-th root of the length defect achievable in that time by 2k-reduction [S87].

Floating point arithmetic. The **LLL** uses under exact integer arithmetic intermediate integers of bit length  $O(n^2)$ . This bit length can be reduced to O(n) using floating point arithmetic (fpa, for short). The algorithm  $\mathbf{LLL}_H$  of Section 3 compute intermediate vectors by a sequence of Householder reflections. This method is both practical and fully proven. It outperforms in practice the method of [SE91] and matches the proven time bound of the theoretic method of [S88].  $\mathbf{LLL}_H$  runs under fpa in  $O(n^{6+\varepsilon})$  bit operations saving a factor n compared to the original  $\mathbf{LLL}$ . We will combine this saving with another one from Segment  $\mathbf{LLL}$ -reduction. Our time bounds assume fast multiplication of n-bit integers within  $O(n^{1+\varepsilon})$  bit operations for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

Segment LLL-reduction in fpa. Segment LLL-reduction adapts LLL-reduction to a better use of local LLL-reduction. It improves the LLL-time bound and approximates the successive minima in nearly the same way as the LLL. Following Schönhage [Sc84] we partition a basis  $b_1, \ldots, b_n$  of dimension n = k m into m segments of k consecutive basis vectors. LLL-swaps are done using local coordinates of dimension 2k of two adjacent segments. Local LLL-swaps cost merely  $O(k^2)$ arithmetic steps, local size-reduction included — compared to  $O(n^2)$  steps for a global LLL-swap. We design Segment LLL-reduction as to minimize the number of local LLL-reductions. In Section 4 we present our basic SLLL<sub>0</sub>-algorithm that runs in  $O(n^4)$  arithmetic steps, compared to  $O(n^5)$  steps of the original **LLL**. It uses integers and fpa numbers of bit length  $O(n^2)$ . The refined algorithm **SLLL** of Section 5 decreases this bit length to O(n) performing  $O(n^4 \log n)$  arithmetic steps. **SLLL** runs under fpa in  $O(n^{5+\varepsilon})$  bit operations, compared to  $O(n^{7+\varepsilon})$ for the original **LLL** and  $O(n^{6+\varepsilon})$  bit operations for **LLL**<sub>H</sub>, the LLL-algorithms of [S88] and [St96], and the semi-reduction of [Sc84]. In Section 6 we speed up SLLL-reduction by extending LLL-steps iteratively to larger and larger segments. The algorithm  $\mathbf{SLLL}^+$  runs in  $O(n^3 \log n)$  arithmetic steps.

Space efficiency. **SLLL** runs in linear space  $O(nd \log_2 M_0)$  and input bases of length  $M_0$  fit into space  $nd \log_2 M_0$ . The LLL-algorithms of [S88] and **LLL**<sub>H</sub> of section 3 are also linear in space, while the original **LLL** of [LLL82] and the

algorithms of [Sc84], [St96] expand the space of the input by a factor O(n). The recent Hermite reduction algorithm of [Mi01] is also in linear space but is much slower than **SLLL** requiring  $O(n^5(\log_2 M_0)^2)$  arithmetic steps.

Related work. Schönhage's [Sc84] concept of semi-reduction achieves length defect  $2^n$  and runs in  $O(n^4)$  arithmetic steps using  $O(n^2)$ -bit integers. STORJO-HANN [St96] proposes an LLL-algorithm that replaces size-reduction by modular reduction, the Gram-Schmidt coefficients are reduced modulo a squared determinant of order  $M_0^n$ . This modular LLL uses matrix multiplication as a core subroutine. If multiplication of  $n \times n$ -matrices runs in  $O(n^{\beta})$  arithmetic steps it requires  $O(n^{\beta+1})$  arithmetic steps using  $O(n \log_2 M_0)$ -bit integers. The drawback is the bit length  $O(n \log_2 M_0)$  of integers. We are not aware of an LLL-code that uses long integers as proposed in [LLL82, St96] and performs for moderately large n and  $M_0$ . [St96, Thm 24] accelerates semi-reduction of [Sc84] by modular reduction via fast matrix multiplication to run in  $O(n^{5+\frac{1}{5-\beta}+\varepsilon})$  bit operations. **SLLL** beats this time bound even for the unlikely value  $\beta = 2$  and achieves the smaller length defect  $(\frac{4}{3} + \varepsilon)^{n/2}$  for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ . MEHROTRA AND Li [ML01] combine our previous segment LLL-reduction [KS01a] with modular reduction to run in  $O(n^{3.5})$  arithmetic steps using  $O(n \log_2 M_0)$  bit integers, and thus running in  $O(n^{5.5+\varepsilon})$  bit operations.

Daudé and Vallée [DV94] and Akhavi [Ak02] study random input bases consisting of real vectors  $\boldsymbol{b}_1,...,\boldsymbol{b}_n$  that are independently drawn from the unit ball in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . LLL-reduction performs for such random input bases on average  $O(n^4\log_2 n)$  arithmetic steps using real numbers [DV94]. Size-reduction of such a random basis achieves length defect  $(\frac{4}{3})^{(n-1)/2}$  with high probability [Ak02]. The present paper continues and revises the reports [KS01a, KS01b, KS02].

## 2 LLL Reduction of Lattice Bases.

Notation. Let  $\mathbb{R}^d$  be the real vector space of dimension d with standard inner product  $\langle \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y} \rangle = \boldsymbol{x}^t \boldsymbol{y}$ . A vector  $\boldsymbol{b} \in \mathbb{R}^d$  has length  $\|\boldsymbol{b}\| = \langle \boldsymbol{b}, \boldsymbol{b} \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . An ordered set of linearly independent vectors  $\boldsymbol{b}_1, ..., \boldsymbol{b}_n \in \mathbb{R}^d$  is a basis of the lattice  $\mathcal{L} = \sum_{i=1}^n \boldsymbol{b}_i \mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  of dimension  $\dim \mathcal{L} = n$ , consisting of all integer linear combinations of  $\boldsymbol{b}_1, ..., \boldsymbol{b}_n$ . We identify the basis with the matrix  $B = [\boldsymbol{b}_1, ..., \boldsymbol{b}_n] \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times n}$ , we write  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}(B) = \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{b}_1, ..., \boldsymbol{b}_n)$ . All vectors will be column vectors. Let  $\boldsymbol{q}_i$  denote the component of  $\boldsymbol{b}_i$  that is orthogonal to  $\boldsymbol{b}_1, ..., \boldsymbol{b}_{i-1}, \ \boldsymbol{q}_1 = \boldsymbol{b}_1$ . The orthogonal vectors  $\boldsymbol{q}_1, ..., \boldsymbol{q}_n \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and the Gram-Schmidt coefficients  $\mu_{j,i}$ ,  $1 \leq i, j \leq n$  of the basis  $\boldsymbol{b}_1, ..., \boldsymbol{b}_n$  satisfy for j = 1, ..., n:

$$\mathbf{b}_{j} = \sum_{i=1}^{j} \mu_{j,i} \mathbf{q}_{i}, \qquad \mu_{j,j} = 1, \qquad \mu_{j,i} = 0 \text{ for } i > j.$$
$$\mu_{j,i} = \langle \mathbf{b}_{j}, \mathbf{q}_{i} \rangle / \langle \mathbf{q}_{i}, \mathbf{q}_{i} \rangle, \qquad \langle \mathbf{q}_{j}, \mathbf{q}_{i} \rangle = 0 \text{ for } j \neq i.$$

The geometric normal form (GNF) of a basis. The basis  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times n}$  has a unique decomposition B = QR, where  $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times n}$  has pairwise orthogonal columns of length 1, and  $R = [r_{i,j}] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is upper-triangular with positive diagonal entries,  $r_{i,j} = 0$  for i > j and  $r_{1,1}, ..., r_{n,n} > 0$ . Hence  $Q = [\mathbf{q}_1/\|\mathbf{q}_1\|, ..., \mathbf{q}_n/\|\mathbf{q}_n\|]$ ,  $\mu_{j,i} = r_{i,j}/r_{i,i}$ , and  $\|\mathbf{q}_i\| = r_{i,i}$ . Two bases B = QR,  $\bar{B} = \bar{Q}\bar{R}$  are isometric iff

 $R = \bar{R}$ , or equivalently iff  $B^t B = \bar{B}^t \bar{B}$ . We call R the geometric normal form (GNF) of the basis, GNF(B) := R.

The lattice  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}(B)$  has determinant  $\det \mathcal{L} = \det(B^t B)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \prod_{i=1}^n \|q_i\|$ , where  $B^t$  is the transpose and  $B^tB$  is the Gram matrix of B. Let  $\lceil r \rfloor = \lceil r - \frac{1}{2} \rceil$ denote the nearest integer to  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ . Let  $\operatorname{col}(j, B)$  (row(j, B)) denote the j-th column (j-th row) vector of the matrix B.

Duality. The dual of lattice  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}(B)$  with basis  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times n}$  is the lattice

$$\mathcal{L}^* =_{\operatorname{def}} \{ \boldsymbol{x} \in \operatorname{span}(\mathcal{L}) \, | \, \langle \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y} \rangle \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ for all } \boldsymbol{y} \in \mathcal{L} \}$$

having determinant  $\det \mathcal{L}^* = (\det \mathcal{L})^{-1}$ .  $\mathcal{L}^*$  has a basis  $\bar{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times n}$  satisfying  $\bar{B}^t B = I_n$ , where  $I_n$  is the  $n \times n$  identity matrix. Inverting the order of the columns of  $\bar{B}=[\bar{\boldsymbol{b}}_1,...,\bar{\boldsymbol{b}}_n]$  yields the dual basis  $B^*=[\boldsymbol{b}_1^*,...,\bar{\boldsymbol{b}}_n^*]=[\bar{\boldsymbol{b}}_n,...,\bar{\boldsymbol{b}}_1]^{-1}$ of B satisfying  $\langle b_{n-i+1}^*, b_j \rangle = \delta_{n-i+1,j}$  and  $||q_i|| = ||q_{n-i+1}^*||^{-1}$  for i = 1, ..., n.

The successive minima. The j-th successive minimum  $\lambda_i$  of a lattice  $\mathcal{L}$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq$  $\dim \mathcal{L}$ , is the minimal real number r for which there exist j linearly independent lattice vectors of length bounded by r.  $\lambda_1$  is the length of the shortest nonzero lattice vector.  $\|\boldsymbol{b}_1\|/\lambda_1$  is the length defect of the basis.

**Definition 1.** A basis  $b_1, ..., b_n \in \mathbb{Z}^d$  with orthogonal vectors  $q_1, ..., q_n \in \mathbb{R}^d$  is an LLL-basis (or LLL-reduced) for given  $\delta$ ,  $\frac{1}{4} < \delta \leq 1$ , if

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2.  $\delta \|\mathbf{q}_i\|^2 \le \mu_{i+1,i}^2 \|\mathbf{q}_i\|^2 + \|\mathbf{q}_{i+1}\|^2$  for  $i = 1, ..., n-1$ .

A basis satisfying 1. is called *size-reduced*. For the rest of the paper LLL-reduction refers to given  $\delta$ ,  $\alpha := 1/(\delta - 1/4)$ . A.K. Lenstra, H.W. Lenstra, Jr. and L. Lovász [LLL82] introduced LLL-bases focusing on  $\delta = 3/4$  and  $\alpha = 2$ .

**Theorem 1 (LLL82).** Every LLL-basis  $b_1, \ldots, b_n \in \mathbb{Z}^d$  with orthogonal vectors  $q_1,...,q_n \in \mathbb{R}^d$  of lattice  $\mathcal{L}$  satisfies

- 1.  $\|\boldsymbol{q}_i\|^2 \le \alpha^{j-i} \|\boldsymbol{q}_j\|^2$  and  $\|\boldsymbol{b}_i\|^2 \le \alpha^{j-1} \|\boldsymbol{q}_j\|^2$  for  $1 \le i \le j \le n$ ,
- $2. \quad \|\boldsymbol{b}_1\| \le \alpha^{\frac{n-1}{4}} (\det \mathcal{L})^{\frac{1}{n}},$
- 3.  $\alpha^{-j+1} \le \|\boldsymbol{q}_j\|^2 \lambda_i^{-2} \le \|\boldsymbol{b}_j\|^2 \lambda_i^{-2} \le \alpha^{n-1}$  for j = 1, ..., n.

The inequalities (1), (3) of Theorem 1 follow by the argument of Theorem 6.

Size measures. We call  $M_0 =_{\text{def}} \max(\|\boldsymbol{b}_1\|,...,\|\boldsymbol{b}_n\|)$  the length of the basis B = $[\boldsymbol{b}_1,...,\boldsymbol{b}_n] \in \mathbb{Z}^{d \times n}$  and  $M =_{\text{def}} \max(d_1,...,d_n,2^n)$  the volume of the basis, where  $d_i := \det(\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{b}_1,...,\boldsymbol{b}_i))^2 = \|\boldsymbol{q}_1\|^2 \cdots \|\boldsymbol{q}_i\|^2$ . We use a novel measure for bounding the length defect of a basis:  $M_1 =_{\text{def}} \max_{1 \leq i \leq j \leq n} \|\boldsymbol{q}_i\| / \|\boldsymbol{q}_j\|$ . The argument of Theorem 6 shows that every size-reduced basis satisfies

$$\frac{4}{i+3}/M_1^2 \le \|\mathbf{b}_j\|^2/\lambda_j^2 \le M_1^2 \frac{j+3}{4} \text{ for } j=1,...,n.$$

By Theorem 1,  $M_1^2 \leq \alpha^{n-1}$  holds for LLL-bases. A basis B and its dual  $B^*$  have the same  $M_1$ -value. Lattice reduction aims at a lattice basis with small  $M_1$ -value. Clearly,  $d_i \leq M_0^{2i}$ ,  $M \leq M_0^{2n}$  and  $M^{-1} \leq ||q_i||^2 \leq M$ , and thus  $M_1 \leq M$  follows

from  $\|q_i\|^2 = d_i/d_{i-1}$ . We let  $M_0$  refer to the input basis of an algorithm. M and  $M_1$  do not increase during LLL-reduction.  $M_1, M = 2^{O(n^2)}$  holds for every basis of length  $2^{O(n)}$ . We present the main steps of the LLL-algorithm, see [LLL82] for more details.

### LLL

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INPUT b_1, \ldots, b_n \in \mathbb{Z}^d (a basis with M_0, M), \delta, \ \frac{1}{4} < \delta < 1
OUTPUT b_1, \ldots, b_n LLL-basis

1. l := 1 # b_1, \ldots, b_{l'} is always an LLL-basis for l' := \max(l-1,1).

2. WHILE l \le n DO

compute the rational numbers \mu_{l,1}, \ldots, \mu_{l,l-1} and \|q_l\|^2 #size-reduce b_l against b_{l-1}, \ldots, b_1:

FOR i = l-1, \ldots, 1 DO b_l := b_l - \lceil \mu_{l,i} \rfloor b_i, update \mu_{l,i}, \ldots, \mu_{l,1} IF l \ne 1 and \delta \|q_{l-1}\|^2 > \mu_{l,l-1}^2 \|q_{l-1}\|^2 + \|q_l\|^2 THEN swap b_{l-1}, b_l, \ l := l-1 ELSE l := l+1.
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LLL-time bound. One round of the WHILE-loop, i.e., one LLL-swap of  $\boldsymbol{b}_{l-1}, \boldsymbol{b}_{l}$  requires O(nd) arithmetic steps, size-reduction of  $\boldsymbol{b}_{l}$  and computation of the rationals  $\mu_{l,1},...,\mu_{l,l-1},\|\boldsymbol{q}_{l}\|^{2}$  included. Given an integer basis in  $\mathbb{Z}^{d}$  of length  $M_{0} \geq 2$  and volume M, **LLL** performs  $O(n\log_{1/\delta}M) = O(n^{2}\log_{1/\delta}M_{0})$  LLL-swaps for  $\delta < 1$ , and runs in  $O(n^{2}d\log_{1/\delta}M)$  arithmetic steps using  $O(\log_{2}(M_{0}M))$ -bit integers. Given a basis of length  $2^{O(n)}$  and d = O(n) this requires  $O(n^{7+\varepsilon})$  bit operations for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  because  $\log_{2}(M_{0}M) = O(n^{2})$ .

## 3 LLL Algorithm via Householder Reflections.

In this section we present the  $\mathbf{LLL}_H$  variant of  $\mathbf{LLL}$  which computes the  $\mu_{l,i}$ ,  $\|\mathbf{q}_l\|$  by a sequence of Householder reflections. We first analyse  $\mathbf{LLL}_H$  in ideal real arithmetic, thereafter under floating point arithmetic.  $\mathbf{LLL}_H$  under fpa saves a factor n in the number of bit operations compared to  $\mathbf{LLL}$ . While the intermediate data  $\mu_{l,i}$ ,  $\|\mathbf{q}_l\|$  are computed in fpa, the basis vectors are in exact arithmetic. All subsequent reduction algorithm are based on  $\mathbf{LLL}_H$ .

Computing the GNF of  $B = [b_1, ..., b_n]$ . There is an extensive literature on numerical algorithms for computing the GNF R of the decomposition B = QR of a basis B, see [LH95]. Householder algorithms and modified Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization are in our experience practically equivalent for the LLL. We use Householder reflection matrices because of the published fpa-error bounds.

We compute an orthogonal matrix  $Q' \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$  that extends Q and a matrix  $R' \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times n}$  that extends R by zero-rows and allows that  $\operatorname{col}(i, R') = \pm \operatorname{col}(i, R)$ . In ideal arithmetic we get R' by a sequence of Householder transformations

$$R'_0 := B,$$
  $R'_j := Q_j R'_{j-1}$  for  $j = 1, ..., n$ ,  
 $R' := R'_n,$   $Q' := Q_1 \cdots Q_n = Q_1^t \cdots Q_n^t$ ,

where  $Q_j := I_d - 2\|\boldsymbol{h}_j\|^{-2}\boldsymbol{h}_j\boldsymbol{h}_j^t \in \mathbb{R}^{d\times d}$  is orthogonal and symmetric,  $\boldsymbol{h}_j \in \mathbb{R}^d$ .

The transform  $R'_j := Q_j R'_{j-1}$  zeroes the entries in positions j+1 through d of  $\operatorname{col}(j, R'_{j-1})$ , it  $\operatorname{triangulates} \operatorname{col}(j, R'_{j-1})$  so that  $R'_j \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times n}$  is upper-triangular for the first j columns. The transform  $\boldsymbol{x} \mapsto Q_j \boldsymbol{x}$  reflects  $\boldsymbol{x}$  at the hyperplane that is orthogonal to the  $\operatorname{Householder} \operatorname{vector} \boldsymbol{h}_j \in \mathbb{R}^d$  so that

$$Q_j \mathbf{h}_j = -\mathbf{h}_j, \qquad Q_j \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x} \text{ for } \langle \mathbf{h}_j, \mathbf{x} \rangle = 0.$$

 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{Setting} & \quad \pmb{r} := (r_1,...,r_d)^t := \operatorname{col}(j,R'_{j-1}) \text{ and } z := \operatorname{sign}(r_j)(\sum_{i=j}^d r_i^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ \text{we get} & \quad \pmb{h}_j := (0,...,0,r_j+z,r_{j+1},...,r_d)^t/\sqrt{2zr_l+2z^2}. \end{array}$ 

Correctness. We have that  $2\mathbf{h}_{j}\langle\mathbf{h}_{j},\mathbf{r}\rangle\|\mathbf{h}_{j}\|^{-2} = 2\mathbf{h}_{j}\frac{zr_{j}+z^{2}}{2zr_{j}+2z^{2}} = \mathbf{h}_{j}$ , and thus  $Q_{j}\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r} - \mathbf{h}_{j} = (r_{1},...,r_{j-1},-z,0,...,0)^{t} \in \mathbb{R}^{d}$ .

This shows that  $Q_i \mathbf{r}$  is correctly triangulated and  $\mathbf{h}_i$  is well chosen.

The sign of z is chosen as to maximize the denominator  $2zr_j + 2z^2 = \|\boldsymbol{h}_j\|^2$  in  $Q_j$ . Clearly,  $Q_j \cdots Q_1 \boldsymbol{b}_j = \operatorname{col}(j, R') = -\operatorname{sign}(r_j)\operatorname{col}(j, R)$  because  $\langle \boldsymbol{h}_j, \operatorname{col}(i, R') \rangle = 0$  for i < j. We abbreviate  $\boldsymbol{r}_l := \operatorname{col}(l, R)$  for  $R = \operatorname{GNF}(B)$ . Since TriCol computes  $\boldsymbol{r}_l$  from  $\operatorname{col}(l, R')$  this extends  $\boldsymbol{r}_l$  by d - n zeroes.

 $TriCol(b_1, ..., b_l, h_1, ..., h_{l-1}, r_1, ..., r_{l-1})$  (TriCol<sub>l</sub> for short)

 $\# \text{TriCol}_l \text{ computes } \boldsymbol{h}_l \text{ and } \boldsymbol{r}_l := \operatorname{col}(l,R) \text{ and size-reduces } \boldsymbol{b}_l, \boldsymbol{r}_l.$ 

- 1.  $r = (r_1, ..., r_d)^t := b_l / ||b_l||$ # we normalize ||r|| and  $||h_l||$  to 1.
- 2. FOR j=1,...,l-1 DO  $\boldsymbol{r}:=\boldsymbol{r}-2\langle\boldsymbol{h}_i,\boldsymbol{r}\rangle\,\boldsymbol{h}_i$
- 3.  $z := \operatorname{sign}(r_l)(\sum_{i=1}^d r_i^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad \mathbf{h}_l := (0, ..., 0, r_l + z, r_{l+1}, ..., r_d)^t / \sqrt{2zr_l + 2z^2}$
- 4.  $\mathbf{r}_{l} := -\text{sign}(r_{l}) \|\mathbf{b}_{l}\| (r_{1}, ..., r_{l-1}, -z, 0, ..., 0)^{t} \in \mathbb{R}^{d}$
- 5. # size-reduce  $\mathbf{b}_l$  against  $\mathbf{b}_{l-1},...,\mathbf{b}_1$  and update  $\mathbf{r}_l$ :

 $\text{FOR } i=l-1,...,1 \text{ DO } \boldsymbol{b}_l:=\boldsymbol{b}_l-\lceil r_{i,l}/r_{i,i}\rfloor \boldsymbol{b}_i, \ \boldsymbol{r}_l:=\boldsymbol{r}_l-\lceil r_{i,l}/r_{i,i}\rfloor \boldsymbol{r}_i.$ 

The normalization simplifies the fpa-error analysis, but it is not essential. In step 4 we have  $sign(r_l)z > 0$ , and thus upon termination we have that  $r_{l,l} > 0$ .

Step bound. TriCol<sub>l</sub> runs in O(dl) arithmetic steps and one sqrt.

The LLL-algorithm in terms of R = GNF(B). Consider the diagonal submatrix  $R_{l-1,1} = \begin{bmatrix} r_{l-1,l-1} & r_{l-1,l} \\ 0 & r_{l,l} \end{bmatrix} \subset R$  shown in Fig. 1. (We let  $R' \subset R$  denote that R' is a submatrix of R, i.e.,  $r'_{i,j} = r_{i+k,j+m}$  for all i,j and some k,m.) **LLL**<sub>H</sub> performs simultaneous column operations on R and B that shorten the first column of some  $R_{l-1,1}$ . It swaps columns  $r_{l-1}, r_l$  and  $b_{l-1}, b_l$  if this shortens the square length of the first column of  $R_{l-1,l}$  by the factor  $\delta$ . To enable a swap the entry  $r_{l-1,l}$  is first reduced to  $|r_{l-1,l}| \leq \frac{1}{2} |r_{l-1,l-1}|$  by transforming  $r_l := r_l - \lceil r_{l-1,l}/r_{l-1,l-1} \rceil r_{l-1}$ . The ideal **LLL**<sub>H</sub> algorithm reads

**Fig. 1.** The submatrix  $R_{l-1,1} \subset R$ 

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\begin{split} \mathbf{LLL}_{H} \\ \text{INPUT} \quad & \boldsymbol{b}_{1}, \dots, \boldsymbol{b}_{n} \in \mathbb{Z}^{d} \text{ (a basis with } M_{0}, M_{1}, M), \quad \delta, \quad \frac{1}{4} < \delta < 1 \\ \text{OUTPUT} \quad & \boldsymbol{b}_{1}, \dots, \boldsymbol{b}_{n} \quad \text{LLL-basis for } \delta \\ 1. \quad & l := 1, \qquad \# \ \mathbf{b}_{1}, \dots, \mathbf{b}_{\max(l-1,1)} \text{ is always an } LLL\text{-basis} \\ 2. \quad \text{WHILE} \quad & l \leq n \quad \text{DO} \\ & \quad \text{TriCol}(\boldsymbol{b}_{1}, \dots, \boldsymbol{b}_{l}, \boldsymbol{h}_{1}, \dots, \boldsymbol{h}_{l-1}, \boldsymbol{r}_{1}, \dots, \boldsymbol{r}_{l-1}) \\ & \quad \text{IF} \quad & l \neq 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \delta \, r_{l-1,l-1}^{2} > r_{l-1,l}^{2} + r_{l,l}^{2} \\ & \quad \text{THEN swap} \, \boldsymbol{b}_{l-1}, \boldsymbol{b}_{l}, \quad & l := l-1 \quad \text{ELSE} \quad & l := l+1. \end{split}
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Correctness. At stage l we get  $\mathbf{r}_l = \operatorname{col}(l,R)$  of  $R = \operatorname{GNF}(B)$ , and we have  $\mathbf{r}_{l-1}$  from a previous stage. Using the coefficients  $r_{l-1,l-1}, r_{l-1,l}, r_{l,l}$   $\mathbf{LLL}_H$  correctly simulates  $\mathbf{LLL}$  since  $r_{i,j}^2 = \mu_{j,i}^2 \|\mathbf{q}_i\|^2$ . The GNF  $[\mathbf{r}_1, ... \mathbf{r}_l]$  of  $[\mathbf{b}_1, ... \mathbf{b}_l]$  is preserved during simultaneous size-reduction of  $\mathbf{r}_l$  and  $\mathbf{b}_l$  in  $\mathbf{TriCol}_l$ .

**LLL**<sub>H</sub> using floating point arithmetic. We use the fpa model of WILKINSON [Wi63]. There is no assumption by this model. We merely want to use proven fpa-error bounds. A fpa number with t=2t'+1 precision bits is of the form  $\pm 2^e \sum_{i=-t'}^{t'} b_i 2^i$ , where  $b_i \in \{0,1\}$  and  $e \in \mathbb{Z}$ . It has bit length t+s+2 for  $|e| < 2^s$ , two signs included. We denote the set of these numbers by  $\mathbb{FL}_t$ . Standard double length fpa has t=53 precision bits, t+s+2=64. Let  $fl: \mathbb{R} \supset [-2^{2^s}, 2^{2^s}] \ni r \mapsto \mathbb{FL}_t$  approximate real numbers by fpa numbers. A step  $c:=a\circ b$  for  $a,b,c\in\mathbb{R}$  and a binary operation  $\circ\in\{+,-,\cdot,/\}$  translates under fpa into  $\bar{a}:=fl(a),\ \bar{b}:=fl(b),\ \bar{c}:=fl(\bar{a}\circ\bar{b}),\ \text{resp. into }\bar{a}:=fl(\circ(\bar{a}))$  for unary operations  $\circ\in\{\lceil\ \rfloor,\sqrt\rceil\}$ . Each fpa operation induces a normalized relative error bounded in magnitude by  $2^{-t}:|fl(\bar{a}\circ\bar{b})-\bar{a}\circ\bar{b}|/|\bar{a}\circ\bar{b}|\leq 2^{-t}.$  If  $|\bar{a}\circ\bar{b}|>2^{2^s}$  or  $|\bar{a}\circ\bar{b}|<2^{-2^s}$  then  $fl(\bar{a}\circ\bar{b})$  is undefined due to an overflow, resp. underflow.

It is common to require that  $2^s \le t^2$  and thus  $s \le 2\log_2 t$ , for brevity we identify the bit length of fpa-numbers with t, neglecting the minor (s+2)-part.

Under fpa we let  $\mathbf{LLL}_H$  use approximate vectors  $\bar{\boldsymbol{h}}_l$ ,  $\bar{\boldsymbol{r}}_l \in \mathbb{FL}_t^d$  and exact basis vectors in  $\mathbb{Z}^d$ .

TriCol<sub>l</sub> under fpa. A detailed discussion and analysis of steps 1-4 of TriCol<sub>l</sub> under fpa is in [LH95, chapter 15]. In order to keep fpa-errors small during the iteration of TriCol<sub>l</sub> within  $\mathbf{LLL}_H$  we replace under fpa for the rest of the paper TriCol<sub>l</sub> by the following iterative

fpa-version of TriCol<sub>l</sub>. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given as input.

Zero  $\lceil \bar{r}_{i,l}/\bar{r}_{i,i} \rceil$  in step 5 if  $|\bar{r}_{i,l}/\bar{r}_{i,i}| < \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon/2$  holds. Repeat steps 1-5 of the above  $\mathsf{TriCol}_l$ -procedure in a loop until step 5 leaves  $\boldsymbol{b}_l$  unchanged, i.e.,  $|\bar{r}_{i,l}/\bar{r}_{i,i}| < \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon/2$  holds for i = l - 1, ..., 1.

Zeroing of  $\lceil \bar{r}_{i,l}/\bar{r}_{i,i} \rceil$  cancels a size-reduction step and prevents cycling through steps 1-5. In TriCol<sub>l</sub>'s last round size-reduction is void and the value of  $r_l$  in step 4 and its fpa-error remain unchanged.

The proof of Theorem 2 shows under fpa that  $TriCol_l$  with  $t = 5n + 2 \log_2 M_0$  precision bits performs two rounds through steps 1-5, the first correctly size-reduces  $b_l$ , the second decreases fpa-errors given that  $||b_l||$  is already small.

Given 
$$\varepsilon > 0$$
 we set  $\delta_- := \delta - \varepsilon$ ,  $\delta_+ := \delta + \varepsilon \le 1 - \varepsilon$  and  $\alpha_- := 1/(\delta - \varepsilon - 1/4)$ .

**Theorem 2.** Given a basis of length  $M_0$ ,  $0 < \varepsilon < 0.02$  and  $\delta \ge 0.96$ ,  $\mathbf{LLL}_H$  using fpa of  $t = 5n + 2\log_2 M_0$  precision bits computes for  $n \ge n_0(\varepsilon)$  an approximate LLL-basis for  $\delta_-$  with  $\mu_{j,i}$  and orthogonal vectors  $\mathbf{q}_1, ..., \mathbf{q}_n$  satisfying

1. 
$$|\mu_{j,i}| < \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon$$
 for  $1 \le i < j \le n$ ,

2. 
$$\delta_{-} \| \boldsymbol{q}_{i} \|^{2} \leq \mu_{i+1,i}^{2} \| \boldsymbol{q}_{i} \|^{2} + \| \boldsymbol{q}_{i+1} \|^{2}$$
 for  $i = 1, ..., n-1$ .

**LLL**<sub>H</sub> runs under fpa in  $O(n^2 d \log_{1/\delta} M)$  arithmetic steps using  $2n + 2 \log_2 M_0$  bit integers and fpa numbers of bit length  $3n + 2 \log_2 M_0$ .

In particular  $\mathbf{LLL}_H$  runs for  $M_0 = 2^{O(n)}$  in  $O(n^4d)$  arithmetic steps, i.e. for d = O(n), in  $O(n^{6+\varepsilon'})$  bit operations for every  $\varepsilon' > 0$ . If 1. of Theorem 2 holds we call the basis size-reduced under fpa.

Proof. The proof uses an fpa-version of Theorem 1 which will later be proved in Theorem 6. In particular, clauses 1 and 2 of Theorem 2 imply the inequalities

 $\alpha_{-}^{-j+1} \leq \|\boldsymbol{b}_{j}\|^{2} \lambda_{j}^{-2} \leq \alpha_{-}^{n-1}$  for  $j=1,...,n, \ \alpha_{-}:=1/(\delta-\varepsilon-1/4)$ . For all size bounds of intermediate data we neglect the effect of  $\varepsilon$  on  $\alpha_{-}$ . For simplicity we assume that  $\alpha_{-}=\alpha \leq \sqrt{2}$  since  $1/(0.96-\frac{1}{4})<\sqrt{2}$ . We also neglect that the  $|\mu_{j,i}|$  for i< j can be larger than  $\frac{1}{2}$  but less than  $\frac{1}{2}+\varepsilon$ .

Length of intermediate bases. We show in ideal arithmetic that all intermediate basis vectors have length  $\leq 2^n M_0$ . We show that the claim holds during size-reduction within  $\mathbf{LLL}_H$ . A size-reduction step  $\mathbf{b}_l := \mathbf{b}_l - \lceil \mu_{l,j} \rfloor \mathbf{b}_j$  for j < l induces  $\mu_{l,i} := \mu_{l,i} - \lceil \mu_{l,j} \rfloor \mu_{j,i}$  for i = 1, ..., j, where  $\mathbf{b}_1, ..., \mathbf{b}_j$  is an LLL-basis. As  $|\mu_{j,i}| \leq \frac{1}{2}$  for i < j this increases  $\max_{i < l} |\mu_{l,i}|$  by at most a factor  $\frac{3}{2}$  (the rounding to  $\lceil \mu_{l,j} \rfloor$  can be neglected).

Consider the initial values  $\boldsymbol{b}_{l}, \mu_{l,i}$  and the final values  $\boldsymbol{b}'_{l}, \mu'_{l,i}$  after h size-reduction steps. We have  $\mu'_{l,l} = 1, \ |\mu'_{l,i}| \leq \frac{1}{2}$  for  $l - h \leq i < l$ . For i < l - h there

exists by the above argument j,  $h - l \le j < l$  such that

$$\|\mu'_{l,i}\|\|\boldsymbol{q}_i\| \leq (\frac{3}{2})^h \|\mu_{l,j}\|\|\boldsymbol{q}_i\| \leq (\frac{3}{2})^h \alpha^{\frac{j-i}{2}} \|\mu_{l,j}\|\|\boldsymbol{q}_j\|,$$

because  $\|\boldsymbol{q}_i\| \leq \alpha^{\frac{j-i}{2}} \|\boldsymbol{q}_j\|$  as  $\boldsymbol{b}_1,...,\boldsymbol{b}_{l-1}$  is LLL-reduced. From  $\alpha \leq \sqrt{2}$  we get

$$\|\boldsymbol{b}_l'\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^l |\mu_{l,i}'|^2 \|\boldsymbol{q}_i\|^2 \le l(\frac{3}{2})^{2h} 2^{l/2} \|\boldsymbol{b}_l\|^2 \le l \cdot 3.15^l \|\boldsymbol{b}_l\|^2.$$

Therefore, in ideal arithmetic all intermediate vectors  $b'_l$  have length  $\leq 2^l ||b_l||$  for  $l \geq 10$ . This also holds under fpa due to the following fpa-error analysis.

Correctness under fpa. We study TriCol<sub>l</sub> within the algorithms  $\mathbf{LLL}_H$ ,  $\mathbf{SLLL}_0$ ,  $\mathbf{SLLL}$ . It is crucial that the Householder reflection matrices  $Q_i$  preserve the inner product,  $\langle \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y} \rangle = \boldsymbol{x}^t \boldsymbol{y} = \boldsymbol{x}^t Q_i^t Q_i \boldsymbol{y} = \langle Q_i \boldsymbol{x}, Q_i \boldsymbol{y} \rangle$ , and thus  $Q_i$  preserves in ideal arithmetic the length of fpa-error vectors.  $A_{n+1} := Q_n \cdots Q_1 B$  is computed under fpa recursively as  $\bar{A}_1 := B$ ,  $\bar{A}_{i+1} := fl(\bar{Q}_i \bar{A}_i)$  for i = 1, ..., n.

Proposition 1. 
$$\|\bar{h}_l - h_l\| = O(d \, l \, 7^l 2^{-t}), \quad \|\bar{r}_l - r_l\| = O(d \, l \, 7^l 2^{-t} \|b_l\|).$$
 (1)

**Proof.** We proceed by induction on l. We extend the error analysis of [LH95, pp.85,86]. Let  $\boldsymbol{r}_l = \operatorname{col}(l,R)$ ,  $\boldsymbol{b}_1 = (r_1,...,r_d)^t$  and  $z = \operatorname{sign}(r_1)(\sum_{i=1}^d r_i^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  then the errors of  $\boldsymbol{r}_1 = (z,0,...,0)^t$ ,  $\boldsymbol{h}_1 = (r_1+z,r_2,...,r_d)^t$  are bounded as

$$\|\bar{\boldsymbol{r}}_1 - \boldsymbol{r}_1\| = O(d \|\boldsymbol{b}_1\| (2^{-t} + 2^{-2t})), \|\bar{\boldsymbol{h}}_1 - \boldsymbol{h}_1\| = O(d (2^{-t} + 2^{-2t})).$$

We will neglect all  $2^{-2t}$ -terms. The first bound is obvious and implies the second, see (15.22), (15.23)[LH95]. TriCol<sub>l</sub> computes  $r_l$ ,  $h_l$  via

$$r'_{l-1} := \prod_{i=1,...,l-2} (1 - 2h_i h_i^t) (b_l / ||b_l||) \text{ and } r'_l := (1 - 2h_{l-1} h_{l-1}^t) r'_{l-1}.$$

The induction hypothesis for l-1 yields  $\|\bar{r}'_{l-1} - r'_{l-1}\| = O(d(l-1)7^{l-1}2^{-t})$ .

If  $\bar{r}_l' := (1 - 2\bar{h}_{l-1}\bar{h}_{l-1}^t)\bar{r}_{l-1}'$  is computed in ideal arithmetic we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\bar{\boldsymbol{r}}_{l}^{\prime} - \boldsymbol{r}_{l}^{\prime}\| &\leq \|\bar{\boldsymbol{r}}_{l-1}^{\prime} - \boldsymbol{r}_{l-1}^{\prime}\| + 2 \cdot 2 \|\bar{\boldsymbol{h}}_{l-1} - \boldsymbol{h}_{l-1}\| + 2 \|\bar{\boldsymbol{r}}_{l-1}^{\prime} - \boldsymbol{r}_{l-1}^{\prime}\| \\ &= O(d(l-1)7 \cdot 7^{l-1}2^{-t}), \end{aligned}$$

where  $2^{-2t}$ -terms are omitted. We used that  $\|\bar{\boldsymbol{r}}'_{l-1}\|$ ,  $\|\bar{\boldsymbol{h}}_{l-1}\| = 1 + o(1)$  for  $t \geq 3n$ . One factor 2 in  $2 \cdot 2$  comes from the two occurrences of  $\bar{\boldsymbol{h}}_{l-1}$  in  $\bar{\boldsymbol{r}}'_l$ .

The computation of  $\bar{r}_l^f$  from  $r'_{l-1}$  under fpa adds  $O(d \, 2^{-t})$  to the error obtained in ideal arithmetic. Step 3 of TriCol<sub>l</sub> computes  $h_l$  from  $\bar{r}_l^f$  so that

$$\|\bar{\boldsymbol{h}}_l - \boldsymbol{h}_l\| = \|\bar{\boldsymbol{r}}_l^{/} - \boldsymbol{r}_l^{/}\| + O(d2^{-t}) = O(d \, l \, 7^l 2^{-t}).$$

This proves the first induction claim.

The computation of  $r_l$  from  $r_l'$  and  $h_l$  in Step 4 of TriCol<sub>l</sub> multiplies errors by  $||b_l||$  so we get the second claim  $||\bar{r}_l - r_l|| = O(d \, l \, 7^l 2^{-t} ||b_l||)$ .

Referring to the GNF  $[r_1,...,r_l]$  of TriCol<sub>l</sub>'s input basis  $b_1,...,b_l$  we denote

$$\bar{M}_0 := M_0/r_{1,1} \qquad \bar{M}_1 := \max_{i < l} r_{1,1}/r_{i,i}.$$
 (2)

We let  $M_0, M_1$  refer to the LLL-input basis. We always have  $\bar{M}_1 \leq M_1$ , where  $\bar{M}_1 \leq \alpha^{\frac{l-1}{2}}$  holds within  $\mathbf{LLL}_H$  since  $\boldsymbol{b}_1,...,\boldsymbol{b}_{l-1}$  is LLL-reduced. We show that TriCol<sub>l</sub>'s last round correctly computes  $\bar{\mu}_{l,i} = \bar{r}_{i,l}/\bar{r}_{i,i}$  up to an  $\varepsilon/2$ -error. Using

(1), (2) and assuming the initial bound  $||r_l|| \leq M_0$  Step 4 of TriCol<sub>l</sub> yields

$$\|\bar{\mathbf{r}}_l - \mathbf{r}_l\|/r_{i,i} = O(d7^l \bar{M}_0 \bar{M}_1 2^{-t}) \quad \text{for } 1 \le i \le l-1.$$
 (3)

We have  $|\bar{\mu}_{l,i} - \mu_{l,i}| = |\bar{r}_{i,l}/\bar{r}_{i,i} - r_{i,l}/r_{i,i}| \leq ||\bar{r}_l - r_l||/r_{i,i} + ||r_l|||\bar{r}_{i,i}^{-1} - r_{i,i}^{-1}|$ . We bound the dominating  $||r_l|||\bar{r}_{i,i}^{-1} - r_{i,i}^{-1}|$ -term, the minor  $||\bar{r}_l - r_l||/r_{i,i}$ -term is bounded by (3) and will be neglected. Consider the right-hand side factors of  $||r_l|||\bar{r}_{i,i}^{-1} - r_{i,i}^{-1}| = (||r_l||/r_{i,i})(|\bar{r}_{i,i} - r_{i,i}|/\bar{r}_{i,i})$ . Applying (3) to a previous TriCol<sub>i</sub>-execution we have  $|\bar{r}_{i,i} - r_{i,i}|/r_{1,1} \leq O(d\,7^i\bar{M}_02^{-t})$ . Multiplication with  $||r_l||/r_{1,1} \leq \frac{1}{2}\bar{M}_0$  and  $r_{1,1}^2/r_{i,i}^2 \leq \bar{M}_1^2$  shows that step 4 of TriCol<sub>l</sub> yields

$$|\bar{r}_{i,l}/\bar{r}_{i,i} - r_{i,l}/r_{i,i}| \le O(d7^l \bar{M}_0^2 \bar{M}_1^2 2^{-t}) \le \varepsilon/2,$$
 (4)

where the last inequality holds for  $t = \Omega(1) + \log_2(d\,7^l\bar{M}_0^2\bar{M}_1^2/\varepsilon)$ , e.g., for  $\varepsilon = 0.02$ ,  $d = n \geq 40$  and  $t \geq 3.5n + 2\log_2(\bar{M}_0\bar{M}_1)$ . In particular, (4) holds upon termination of TriCol<sub>l</sub> as the final size-reduction in step 5 is void. Within  $\mathbf{LLL}_H$  we have that  $\bar{M}_1 \leq \alpha^{\frac{n-1}{2}} \leq 2^{\frac{n-1}{4}}$ . Hence, upon termination  $\boldsymbol{b}_l$  is size-reduced for  $t \geq 4n + 2\log_2 M_0$  and  $n \geq n_0(\varepsilon)$ , proving clause 1 of Theorem 2.

TriCol<sub>l</sub>'s first round. We have shown that  $||b_l||$  increases during size-reduction to at most  $2^l M_0$ . Retracing this proof with a view on fpa-errors shows that  $||\bar{r}_l - r_l||/r_{i,i}$  increases during size-reduction by at most a factor  $2^l$  compared to (3). This is a straightforward exercise left to the reader. We offset the increased fpa-errors by n additional precision bits. Hence, using  $t \geq 5n + 2 \log_2 M_0$  precision bits TriCol<sub>l</sub>'s first round correctly size-reduces  $b_l$  for  $n \geq n_0(\varepsilon)$ , and TriCol<sub>l</sub> terminates in the second round.

Correct swapping. We see from (3) that the fpa-error of  $r_{l,l}$  is bounded by  $O(r_{1,1}d\,7^l\bar{M}_0\bar{M}_12^{-t})$ . Due to  $|r_{l-1,l}| \leq \frac{1}{2}|r_{l-1,l-1}|$  the fpa-error of  $r_{l-1,l}^2 + r_{l,l}^2 - \delta r_{l-1,l-1}^2$  is at most  $O(r_{1,1}(r_{l-1,l-1}+r_{l,l})d\,7^l\bar{M}_0\bar{M}_12^{-t})$ . If  $r_{l,l} \leq r_{l-1,l-1}$  that fpa-error is less than  $\varepsilon r_{l-1,l-1}^2$  for  $t \geq 5n+2\log_2 M_0$  due to  $\bar{M}_0 \leq M_0$ ,  $\bar{M}_1 \leq 2^{\frac{n-1}{4}}$ . Then a valid swap for  $\delta_-$  under ideal arithmetic, will also be executed under fpa and each swap under fpa is a valid swap for  $\delta_+$ . If  $r_{l,l} > r_{l-1,l-1}$  the inequality  $\delta_- r_{l-1,l-1}^2 < r_{l-1,l}^2 + r_{l,l}^2$  is preserved under fpa-errors. Hence swapping is always correct for  $\delta_-$ .

Time bound. As  $\delta \leq 1-2\varepsilon$ ,  $\delta_+ \leq 1-\varepsilon$  we have that  $\delta \leq \delta_+^2$ . Hence  $\mathbf{LLL}_H$  performs at most  $\log_{1/\delta_+} M^n \leq 2 \, n \log_{1/\delta} M$  LLL-swaps under fpa, each swap requiring one  $\mathsf{TriCol}_l$ -execution. We have shown that  $\mathsf{TriCol}_l$  performs 2 rounds and thus requires O(nd) arithmetic steps and 2 sqrt's. We see that  $\mathsf{LLL}_H$  runs in  $O(n^2d\log_{1/\delta} M)$  arithmetic steps.

Costs of the sqrt's. There are  $O(n\log_{1/\delta}M)$  sqrt's to be computed with  $t=5n+2\log_2 M_0$  precision bits, one sqrt per round of TriCol<sub>l</sub>. Using Newton iteration this requires  $O(n\log_{1/\delta}M\log(n+\log_2 M_0))$  arithmetic steps that are covered by the claimed step bound provided that  $\log_2\log_2 M_0=O(n^2)$ .

Newton's iteration  $x_0 := 1$ ,  $x_{k+1} := \frac{1}{2}(x_k + \frac{m}{x_k})$  converges quadratically to  $\sqrt{m}$ . Therefore  $O(\log(n + \log_2 M_0))$  rounds of Newton iteration suffice to compute  $\sqrt{m}$  for  $m \le 2^n M_0$  up to an error less than  $2^{-2n}/M_0^2$ .

**LLL**<sub>H</sub> in practice. In practice **LLL**<sub>H</sub> is correct up to dimension n=250 under fpa with t=53 precision bits for arbitrary  $M_0$ , and not just for  $t\geq$ 

 $5n + 2\log_2 M_0$  as shown in Theorem 2. In practice, the constant 7 of Prop. 1 can be replaced by a constant near 1.1 [KS01b]. This is because the orthogonal transforms  $Q_j$  preserve the length of error vectors. Moreover the error vector resulting from computing  $fl(Q_j \mathbf{r})$  is, due to cancellations, on average much smaller than in worst-case. However,  $\mathbf{LLL}_H$  is in practice incorrect for t = 53 and dimension 400, see [KS01b].

Scaled LLL-reduction. Scaling is a useful concept of numerical analysis for reducing fpa-errors. Scaled LLL-reduction of [KS01b] associates with a given lattice basis an associated scaled basis that generates a sublattice of the given lattice. The scaled basis has all values  $\bar{M}_0$ ,  $\bar{M}_1 \leq 2$ , which makes the error bounds (3), (4) particularly good. Its coefficients  $\mu_{j,i}$  can be correctly computed using only limited fpa-precision. Scaled LLL-reduction performs a weak size-reduction, reducing relative to an associated scaled basis. The weaker size-reduction does scarcly lessen the quality of the reduced basis and can be done using limited precision. This way it is possible to implement variants of  $\mathbf{LLL}_H$  and  $\mathbf{SLLL}$  that are correct for all practical cases, namely up to dimension  $2^{15}$  using fpa with merely 53 precision bits and preserving the run times of this paper.

Comparison with [S88] and the modular LLL of [St96]. The time bound of Theorem 2 also holds for the theoretic, less practical method of [S88].

The modular LLL [St96] performs  $O(nd \log_{1/\delta} M)$  arithmetic steps on integers of bit length  $\log_2(M_0M)$  using standard matrix multiplication. This yields the same bound for the number of bit operations for  $\mathbf{LLL}_H$  and the modular LLL [St96] if  $M_0 = 2^{\Omega(n)}$ . If  $M_0 = 2^{o(n)}$  the given basis is shorter than an LLL-basis and LLL-reduction is useless. The practicability of  $\mathbf{LLL}_H$  rests on the use of small integers of bit length  $5n + 2\log_2 M_0$  whereas [St96] uses long integers of bit length  $\log_2(M_0M) = O(n \log M_0)$ .

## 4 Basic Segment LLL-Reduction.

This section introduces main concepts of segment LLL-reduction and a first algorithm  $\mathbf{SLLL}_0$ . The argument of Theorem 4 for bounding the number of local LLL-reductions within  $\mathbf{SLLL}_0$  will be used throughout the paper. This is also true for Lemma 1 and Corollary 1 that bound the norm of, and the *fpa*-errors induced by, local LLL-transforms. The algorithm  $\mathbf{SLLL}_0$  is faster by a factor n in the number of arithmetic steps compared to  $\mathbf{LLL}_H$  but uses longer integers and fpa numbers of bit length  $5n + \log_2(M_0^2 M_1^3)$ . The algorithm  $\mathbf{SLLL}$  of section 5 reduces this bit length to  $7n + 2\log_2 M_0$ .

Segments and local coordinates. Let the basis  $B = [\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n] \in \mathbb{Z}^{d \times n}$  have dimension n = k m and GNF  $R \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . We partition B into m segments  $B_{l,k} = [\mathbf{b}_{lk-k+1}, \dots, \mathbf{b}_{lk}]$  for  $l = 1, \dots, m$ . Local LLL-reduction of two consecutive segments  $B_{l,k}, B_{l+1,k}$  is done in local coordinates of the submatrix

$$R_{l,k} := [r_{lk+i,lk+j}]_{-k < i,j \le k} \in \mathbb{R}^{2k \times 2k}$$

of R. Let  $H=[\boldsymbol{h}_1,...,\boldsymbol{h}_n]=[h_{i,j}]\in\mathbb{R}^{d\times n}$  be the lower triangular matrix of Householder vectors and  $H_{l,k}=[h_{lk+i,lk+j}]_{-k< i,j\leq k}\subset H$  the submatrix for

 $R_{l,k}$ . We control the calls, and minimize the number, of local LLL-reductions of the  $R_{l,k}$  by means of the local squared determinant of  $B_{l,k}$ 

$$D_{l,k} =_{\text{def}} \|\boldsymbol{q}_{lk-k+1}\|^2 \cdots \|\boldsymbol{q}_{lk}\|^2.$$

We have that  $d_{lk} = \|\boldsymbol{q}_1\|^2 \cdots \|\boldsymbol{q}_{lk}\|^2 = D_{1,k} \cdots D_{l,k}$ . Moreover, we will use

$$\mathcal{D}^{(k)} =_{\text{def}} \prod_{l=1}^{m-1} d_{lk} = \prod_{l=1}^{m-1} D_{lk}^{m-l}$$

$$M_{l,k} =_{\text{def}} \max_{lk-k < i \le j \le lk+k} ||q_i|| / ||q_j||.$$

 $M_{l,k}$  is the  $M_1$ -value of  $R_{l,k}$  of locLLL $(R_{l,k})$ , obviously  $M_{l,k} \leq M_1$ .

**Definition 2.** A basis  $b_1, \ldots, b_n \in \mathbb{Z}^d$ , n = km, is an SLLL<sub>0</sub>-basis (or SLLL<sub>0</sub>-reduced) for given  $k, \delta > \frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\alpha = 1/(\delta - 1/4)$  if it is size-reduced and

1. 
$$\delta \|\mathbf{q}_i\|^2 \le \mu_{i+1,i}^2 \|\mathbf{q}_i\|^2 + \|\mathbf{q}_{i+1}\|^2 \text{ for } i \in [1, n-1] \setminus k\mathbb{Z},$$

2. 
$$D_{l,k} \leq (\alpha/\delta)^{k^2} D_{l+1,k}$$
 for  $l = 1, ..., m-1$ .

Size-reducedness under fpa means that  $|\mu_{j,i}| < \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon$  holds for  $1 \le i < j \le n$ . We neglect the role of  $\varepsilon$  in SLLL-reduction,  $\varepsilon$  plays the same role as for **LLL**<sub>H</sub>.

Segment  $B_{l,k}$  of an SLLL<sub>0</sub>-basis is LLL-reduced in the sense that the  $k \times k$ -submatrix  $[r_{lk+i,lk+j}]_{-k < i,j \le 0} \subset R$  is LLL-reduced. Clause 1 does not bridge distinct segments since the  $i \in k\mathbb{Z}$  are excepted. Clause 2 relaxes the inequality  $D_{l,k} \le \alpha^{k^2} D_{l+1,k}$  of LLL-bases, and this allows to bound the number of local LLL-reductions, see Theorem 4.

We could have used two independent  $\delta$ -values for the two clauses of Def.2. Theorem 3 shows that the first vector of an SLLL<sub>0</sub>-basis of lattice  $\mathcal{L}$  is almost as short relative to  $(\det \mathcal{L})^{1/n}$  as for LLL-bases.

**Theorem 3.** Every  $SLLL_0$ -basis  $\boldsymbol{b}_1,...,\boldsymbol{b}_n$  satisfies  $\|\boldsymbol{b}_1\| \leq (\alpha/\delta)^{\frac{n-1}{4}}(\det \mathcal{L})^{\frac{1}{n}}$ .

*Proof.* Every SLLL<sub>0</sub>-basis satisfies by clause 2 of Def.2

$$D_{1,k} \le (\alpha/\delta)^{k^2 (i-1)} D_{i,k}$$
 for  $i = 1, ..., m$ .

We multiply the m inequalities and take the m-th root. As  $D_{1,k}\cdots D_{m,k}=(\det\mathcal{L})^2$  and  $1+2+\cdots+(m-1)=m\cdot\frac{m-1}{2}$  this yields

$$D_{1,k} \leq (\alpha/\delta)^{k^2 \frac{m-1}{2}} (\det \mathcal{L})^{\frac{2}{m}}.$$

Moreover  $\|\boldsymbol{b}_1\|^2 \leq \alpha^{\frac{k-1}{2}} D_{1,k}^{\frac{1}{k}}$  holds as the basis  $\boldsymbol{b}_1,...,\boldsymbol{b}_k$  is LLL-reduced. Combining the two latter inequalities proves the claim

$$\|\boldsymbol{b}_1\|^2 \leq \alpha^{\frac{k-1}{2}} (\alpha/\delta)^{k^{\frac{m-1}{2}}} (\det \mathcal{L})^{\frac{2}{mk}} \leq (\alpha/\delta)^{\frac{n-1}{2}} (\det \mathcal{L})^{\frac{2}{n}}.$$

The dual of Theorem 3. Clause 2 of Def.2 is preserved under duality. If it holds for a basis  $b_1, ..., b_n$  it also holds for the dual basis  $b_1^*, ..., b_n^*$  of the lattice  $\mathcal{L}^*$ . We have that  $||b_1^*|| = ||q_n||^{-1}$  and  $\det(\mathcal{L}^*) = (\det \mathcal{L})^{-1}$ . Hence, Theorem 3 implies that every SLLL<sub>0</sub>-basis satisfies  $||q_n|| \geq (\delta/\alpha)^{\frac{n-1}{4}} (\det \mathcal{L})^{\frac{1}{n}}$ .

Local LLL-reduction. The procedure  $locLLL(R_{l,k})$  locally LLL-reduces  $R_{l,k} \subset R$  given  $H_{l,k} \subset H$ . Initially it produces a copy  $[\mathbf{b}'_1,...,\mathbf{b}'_{2k}]$  of  $R_{l,k}$ . It LLL-reduces

the local basis  $[\mathbf{b}'_1,...,\mathbf{b}'_{2k}]$  consisting of fpa-vectors. It updates and stores the local transform  $T_{l,k} \in \mathbb{Z}^{2k \times 2k}$  so that  $[\mathbf{b}'_1,...,\mathbf{b}'_{2k}] = R_{l,k}T_{l,k}$  always holds for the current local basis  $[\mathbf{b}'_1,...,\mathbf{b}'_{2k}]$  and the initial  $R_{l,k}$ . E.g., it does  $\operatorname{col}(l',T_{l,k}) := \operatorname{col}(l',T_{l,k}) - \mu \operatorname{col}(i,T_{l,k})$  along with  $\mathbf{b}'_{l'} := \mathbf{b}'_{l'} - \mu \mathbf{b}'_{i}$  within  $\operatorname{TriCol}_l$ . It freshly computes  $\mathbf{b}'_{l'}$  from the updated  $T_{l,k}$ . Using a correct  $T_{l,k}$  this correction of  $\mathbf{b}'_{l'}$  limits fpa-errors of the local basis, see Cor.1.

Local LLL-reduction of  $R_{l,k}$  is done in local coordinates of dimension 2k. A local LLL-swap merely requires  $O(k^2)$  arithmetic steps, update of  $R_{l,k}$ , local triangulation and size-reduction via  $TriCol_l$  included, compared to O(nd) arithmetic steps for an LLL-swap in global coordinates.

## $locLLL(R_{l,k})$

- 1. produce copies  $[b'_1,...,b'_{2k}] = R'_{l,k}$  of  $R_{l,k}$  and  $[h'_1,...,h'_{2k}]$  of  $H_{l,k} \subset H$   $T_{l,k} := I_{2k}, \ l' := 1$
- 2. WHILE  $l' \leq 2k$  DO

$$\begin{split} & \text{TriCol}(\boldsymbol{b}'_{1},...,\boldsymbol{b}'_{l'},\boldsymbol{h}'_{1},...,\boldsymbol{h}'_{l'-1},\boldsymbol{r}'_{1},...,\boldsymbol{r}'_{l'-1}) \\ & \text{update } T_{l,k}, \quad \boldsymbol{b}'_{l'} := R_{l,k} \operatorname{col}(l',T_{l,k}) \\ & \text{IF } \quad l' \neq 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \delta \, r'^{2}_{l'-1,l'-1} > r'^{2}_{l'-1,l'} + r'^{2}_{l',l'} \\ & \text{THEN swap } \boldsymbol{b}'_{l'-1},\boldsymbol{b}'_{l'}, \text{ swap } \boldsymbol{r}'_{l'-1},\boldsymbol{r}'_{l'}, \text{ update } T_{l,k}, \quad l' := l'-1 \\ & \text{ELSE} \quad l' := l'+1. \end{split}$$

 $SLLL_0$ -algorithm.  $SLLL_0$  transforms a given basis into an  $SLLL_0$ -basis. It iterates  $locLLL(R_{l,k})$  for submatrices  $R_{l,k} \subset R$ , followed by a global update that  $transports \ T_{l,k}$  to B and triangulates  $B_{l,k}, B_{l,k+1}$  via  $location Triseg_{l,k}$ .  $Transporting \ T_{l,k}$  to  $B, R, T_{1,n/2}$  and so on means to multiply the submatrix consisting of 2k columns of  $B, R, T_{1,n/2}$  corresponding to  $R_{l,k}$  from the right by  $T_{l,k}$ .

The procedure TriSeg<sub>l,k</sub> triangulates and size-reduces two adjacent segments  $B_{l,k}, B_{l+1,k}$ . Given  $B_{l,k}, B_{l+1,k}$  and  $h_1, ..., h_{lk-k}$ , it computes  $[r_{lk-k+1}, ..., r_{lk+k}] \subset R$  and  $[h_{lk-k+1}, ..., h_{lk+k}] \subset H$ .

### $\mathtt{TriSeg}_{l,k}$

- 1. FOR l'=lk-k+1,...,lk+k DO  $TriCol_{l'}$  (including updates of  $T_{l,k}$ )
- 2.  $D_{j,k} := \prod_{i=0}^{k-1} r_{k,i-i,k,j-i}^2$  for j = l, l+1.

#### SLLL

INPUT 
$$m{b}_1,\dots,m{b}_n\in\mathbb{Z}^d$$
 (a basis with  $M_0,M_1,M),\ k,\ m,\ \delta$  OUTPUT  $m{b}_1,\dots,m{b}_n$  SLLL $_0$ -basis for  $k,\delta$  WHILE  $\exists\, l,1\leq l< m$  such that either  $D_{l,k}>(\alpha/\delta)^{k^2}\,D_{l+1,k}$  or  ${\tt TriSeg}_{l,k}$  has not yet been executed DO for the minimal such  $l$ :  ${\tt TriSeg}_{l,k}$ ,  ${\tt locLLL}(R_{l,k})$ 

# global update:  $[B_{l,k}, B_{l+1,k}] := [B_{l,k}, B_{l+1,k}] T_{l,k}$ , TriSeg<sub>l,k</sub>.

Correctness in ideal arithmetic. All inequalities  $D_{l,k} \leq (\alpha/\delta)^{k^2} D_{l+1,k}$  hold upon termination of **SLLL**<sub>0</sub>. All segments  $B_{l,k}$  are locally LLL-reduced and globally size-reduced and thus the terminal basis is SLLL<sub>0</sub>-reduced.

The number of locLLL-executions. Let  $\#_k$  denote the number of loclll( $R_{l,k}$ )-executions due to  $D_{l,k} > (\alpha/\delta)^{k^2} D_{l,k}$  for all l. The first loclll( $R_{l,k}$ )-executions for each l is possibly not counted in  $\#_k$ , this yields at most n/k-1 additional executions. We bound  $\#_k$  by the Lovász volume argument.

## Theorem 4. $\#_k \le 2 n k^{-3} \log_{1/\delta} M$ .

Proof. We show that a locLLL $(R_{l,k})$ -execution decreases  $D_{l,k}$  by the factor  $\delta^{k^2/2}$  if it is due to  $D_{l,k} > (\alpha/\delta)^{k^2} D_{l+1,k}$ . locLLL $(R_{l,k})$  changes  $D_{l,k}$ ,  $D_{l+1,k}$  into  $D'_{l,k}$ ,  $D'_{l+1,k}$  and preserves  $D_{l',k}$  for  $l' \neq l, l+1$ . It also preserves the product  $D_{l,k}D_{l+1,k}$ . locLLL $(R_{l,k})$  results in  $D'_{l,k} \leq \alpha^{k^2} D'_{l+1,k}$  because upon termination the matrix  $R_{l,k}$  is LLL-reduced with  $\delta$  and thus the claim follows from  $\|\mathbf{q}_{lk-2k+i}\|^2 \leq \alpha^k \|\mathbf{q}_{lk-k+i}\|^2$  for  $i=1,\ldots,k$ . Therefore

$$D'_{l,k} \leq \alpha^{k^2} D'_{l+1,k} = \alpha^{k^2} D'_{l,k} D'_{l+1,k} / D'_{l,k}$$
$$= \alpha^{k^2} D_{l,k} D_{l+1,k} / D'_{l,k} < \delta^{k^2} D^2_{l,k} / D'_{l,k},$$

and thus  $D'_{l,k} \leq \delta^{k^2/2} D_{l,k}$ . Hence locLLL $(R_{l,k})$  decreases

$$\mathcal{D}^{(k)} = \prod_{l=1}^{m-1} d_{lk} = \prod_{l=1}^{m-1} D_{l,k}^{m-l}$$

by the factor  $\delta^{k^2/2}$ . As  $\mathcal{D}^{(k)}$  is a positive integer,  $\mathcal{D}^{(k)} \leq M^{m-1}$ , this implies

$$\#_k \le \log_{1/\delta^{k^2/2}} M^{m-1} \le 2 \frac{m-1}{k^2} \log_{1/\delta} M.$$

All intermediate  $M_{l,k}$ -values within  $\mathbf{SLLL}_0$  are bounded by the  $M_1$ -value of the input basis of  $\mathbf{SLLL}_0$ . Consider the local transform  $T_{l,k} \in \mathbb{Z}^{2k \times 2k}$  within  $\mathbf{loc}_{LLL}(R_{l,k})$ . Let  $||T_{l,k}||_1$  denote the maximal  $|| ||_1$ -norm of the columns of  $T_{l,k}$ .

**Lemma 1.** Within  $locLLL(R_{l,k})$  we have that  $||T_{l,k}||_1 \leq 6k(\frac{3}{2})^{2k}M_{l,k}$ .

*Proof.* We rename the input basis  $b'_1,...,b'_{2k}$  of locLLL $(R_{l,k})$  into  $b_1,...,b_{2k}$  and we let  $b'_1,...,b'_{2k}$  denote the current local basis. The input basis has been size-reduced by the preceding  $\mathtt{TriSeg}_{l,k}$ -execution, and thus  $|\mu_{j,i}| \leq \frac{1}{2}$  for  $1 \leq i < j \leq 2k$ . W.l.o.g. let  $|\mu'_{l,i}| \leq \frac{1}{2}$  for  $1 \leq i < l \leq 2k$  hold for the current basis because  $\|\mathrm{col}(l',T_{l',k})\|_1$  increases during size-reduction of  $b'_{l'}$ . The equations

$$[b'_1,...,b'_{2k}] = [q'_1,...,q'_{2k}][\mu'_{i,i}]^t = [q_1,...,q_{2k}][\mu_{j,i}]^t T_{l,k}.$$

yield  $T_{l,k} = ([\mu_{j,i}]^t)^{-1} [\langle \boldsymbol{q}_j, \boldsymbol{q}_i' \rangle \| \boldsymbol{q}_j \|^{-2}] [\mu_{j,i}']_{1 \leq i,j \leq 2k}^t$ . The coefficients  $\nu_{j,i}$  of the inverse matrix  $[\nu_{j,i}] := ([\mu_{j,i}]^t)^{-1}$  satisfy  $|\nu_{j,i}| \leq (\frac{3}{2})^{|j-i|}$ , and thus  $\sum_{i=1}^{2k} |\nu_{j,i}| \leq \sum_{i=1}^{2k} (\frac{3}{2})^{|j-i|} < 3(\frac{3}{2})^{2k}$ . We get that

$$||T_{l,k}||_1 \le 6k(\frac{3}{2})^{2k} \max_{1 \le i,j \le 2k} |\langle \boldsymbol{q}_j, \boldsymbol{q}_i' \rangle| / ||\boldsymbol{q}_j||^2.$$

To finish the proof we show that  $\max_{1 \leq i,j \leq 2k} |\langle \boldsymbol{q}_j, \boldsymbol{q}'_i \rangle| / ||\boldsymbol{q}_j||^2 \leq M_{l,k}$ . If  $\boldsymbol{b}_{l'-1}, \boldsymbol{b}_{l'}$  get swapped, the swapped vectors  $\boldsymbol{b}'_{l'-1}, \boldsymbol{b}'_{l'}$  clearly satisfy

$$\|\boldsymbol{q}_{l'}\| \leq \|\boldsymbol{q}'_{l'-1}\|, \|\boldsymbol{q}'_{l'}\| \leq \|\boldsymbol{q}_{l'-1}\|,$$

and thus  $|\langle \boldsymbol{q}_j, \boldsymbol{q}_i' \rangle| / \|\boldsymbol{q}_j\|^2 \le \|\boldsymbol{q}_i'\| / \|\boldsymbol{q}_j\| \le \|\boldsymbol{q}_{l'-1}\| / \|\boldsymbol{q}_{l'}\|$  holds for  $l'-1 \le i, j \le l'$ , i.e., for the i, j that are linked by the LLL-swap.

More generally, we say that i, j are linked by a sequence of LLL-swaps, swapping  $\boldsymbol{b}_{h_{\nu}}, \boldsymbol{b}_{h_{\nu}+1}$  for  $\nu=1,...,s$  if the edges  $(h_{\nu},h_{\nu+1})$  link i and j by an undirected path. By induction on the sequence of LLL-swaps we see that  $\|\boldsymbol{q}_i'\|/\|\boldsymbol{q}_j\| \leq M_{l,k}$  holds for all i, j such that the terminal  $\boldsymbol{b}_i'$  and the initial  $\boldsymbol{b}_j$  are linked by a sequence of LLL-swaps. Otherwise, if  $\boldsymbol{b}_i'$  and  $\boldsymbol{b}_j$  are not linked, we have that  $\langle \boldsymbol{q}_j, \boldsymbol{q}_i' \rangle/\|\boldsymbol{q}_j\|^2 = \delta_{i,j}$  because  $\boldsymbol{q}_i'$  is in the linear space generated by the  $\boldsymbol{q}_j$  such that  $\boldsymbol{b}_i'$  and  $\boldsymbol{b}_j$  are linked, and thus  $\langle \boldsymbol{q}_j, \boldsymbol{q}_i' \rangle = 0$  for  $i \neq j$ . In particular, the quotients  $\|\boldsymbol{q}_i\|/\|\boldsymbol{q}_j\|$  for i > j, which are not bounded by  $M_{l,k}$ , are irrelevant, they do not induce LLL-swaps and do not affect  $T_{l,k}$ .

Next we study  $locLLL(R_{l,k})$  under fpa, where  $TriCol_l$  performs the iterative fpa-version of  $TriCol_l$  that depends on  $\varepsilon$ ,  $0 < \varepsilon < 0.2$ .

Corollary 1. 1. Within locLLL( $R_{l,k}$ ) the current  $R'_{l,k} := R_{l,k}T_{l,k}$  and its approximation  $\bar{R}'_{l,k}$  satisfy  $\|\bar{R}'_{l,k} - R'_{l,k}\|_F \le \|\bar{R}_{l,k} - R_{l,k}\|_F 2^{2k} M_{l,k} + 7n \|R_{l,k}\|_F 2^{-t}$ .

2. Let TriSeg<sub>l,k</sub> and locLLL use fpa with  $t = 3n + \log_2(M_0^2 M_1^3) + 2k$  precision bits. If  $\bar{R}_{l,k}$  is computed by TriSeg<sub>l,k</sub> then locLLL( $\bar{R}_{l,k}$ ) computes for  $n \ge n_0$  a correct  $T_{l,k}$  so that  $R_{l,k}T_{l,k}$  is LLL-reduced with  $\delta_-$ .

- Proof. 1. locLLL $(R_{l,k})$  updates the current  $R'_{l,k} = [b'_1, ..., b'_{2k}]$  by transforming the initial  $R_{l,k}$  into  $R'_{l,k} := R_{l,k}T_{l,k}$ . In ideal arithmetic this increases  $\|\bar{R}_{l,k} R_{l,k}\|_F$  by at most a factor  $\|T_{l,k}\|_1\sqrt{2k} \leq 2^{2k}M_{l,k}$  holds for  $k \geq 9$  by Lemma 1. The  $7n\|R_{l,k}\|_F2^{-t}$ -term accounts for the fpa-errors of the calculation of  $R_{l,k}T_{l,k}$ , using e.g., (15.30)[LH95] for  $d \geq 37$ . This term can be neglected as it is covered by the upper bound of  $\|\bar{R}_{l,k} R_{l,k}\|_F$  that follows from (1).
- 2. The input  $R_{l,k}$  of  $locLLL(R_{l,k})$  satisfies the inequalities (3),(4) with  $\bar{M}_1 \leq M_1$ . Therefore  $location TriSeg_{l,k}$ 's fpa-errors are by a factor  $M_1^2/2^{\frac{n-1}{2}}$  larger than for  $location TriCol_l$ -executions within  $location LLL_H$ , where the input  $location b_1, ..., location <math>location b_1, ..., location b_1$ . This is offset by  $2\log_2 M_1 n/2$  additional precision bits.

We compensate the loss of precision described by clause 1 by another  $\log_2 M_1 + 2k$  additional precision bits. Thus we add to the precision t of Theorem 2  $\log_2(M_1^3) - \frac{n}{2} + 2k$  with  $k \leq \frac{n}{4}$  to get  $t = 5n + \log_2(M_0^2 M_1^3)$ . With the increased precision the argument of Theorem 2 shows the correctness of  $T_{l,k}$ .  $\square$ 

**Theorem 5.** Let  $k = \Theta(\sqrt{n})$ . Given a basis with  $M_0, M_1, M$ , **SLLL**<sub>0</sub> computes under fpa with  $t = 5n + \log_2(M_0^2 M_1^3)$  precision bits for  $n \ge n_0$  an  $SLLL_0$ -basis for  $\delta_-$ . It runs in  $O(nd \log_{1/\delta} M)$  arithmetic steps using  $5n + \log_2(M_0^2 M_1^3)$ -bit integers and fpa numbers.

**SLLL**<sub>0</sub> saves a factor n in the number of arithmetic steps compared to  $\mathbf{LLL}_H$  but uses longer integers and fpa numbers. The choice  $k, m = \Theta(\sqrt{n})$  equalizes

for d = O(n) the number of local and global arithmetic steps.  $\mathbf{SLLL}_0$  runs for  $M_0 = 2^{O(n)}$ , and thus for  $M = 2^{O(n^2)}$ , in  $O(n^3d)$  arithmetic steps using  $O(n^2)$  bit integers. The bit length  $O(n^2)$  will be reduced to O(n) by the algorithm  $\mathbf{SLLL}$  see Theorem 7.

*Proof. Time bound.* We separately count the *local* (resp. *global*) arithmetic steps of  $locLLL(R_{l,k})$  (resp., of  $locLLL(R_{l,k})$ ). Initially we have that  $\mathcal{D}^{(1)} \leq M^n$ . Each LLL-swap of locLLL, due to the inequality locLLL or locLLL, decreases locLLL by a factor locLLL. As initially locLLL and locLLL or locLLL holds upon termination there are at most locLLL or locLLL out locLLL or locLL

Each of the  $n \log_{1/\delta} M$  LLL-swaps, done in local coordinates of dimension 2k, requires  $O(k^2)$  steps for a local TriCol<sub>l</sub>-execution and for updating  $T_{l,k}$ . In total there are  $O(nk^2 \log_{1/\delta} M)$  local arithmetic steps.

Each locLLL $(R_{l,k})$ -execution requires O(ndk) global arithmetic steps for TriSeg<sub>l,k</sub> and for updating  $B_{l,k}, B_{l+1,k}$ . Therefore, the  $n/k + 2nk^{-3}\log_{1/\delta}M$  locLLL $(R_{l,k})$ -executions require  $O(n^2d + m^2d\log_{1/\delta}M)$  global arithmetic steps. This proves the claimed step bound using that  $M \geq 2^n$  and  $m^2 = \Theta(n)$ .

Correctness under fpa. We see from Cor.1(2) that  $locLLL(R_{l,k})$  correctly LLL-reduces  $R_{l,k}$  with  $\delta_-$ , computing a correct  $T_{l,k}$  for  $n \geq n_0$ ,  $n \geq 4k$ . The fpa-errors within  $locLLL(R_{l,k})$  get corrected by the subsequent global update  $[B_{l,k}, B_{l+1,k}] := [B_{l,k}, B_{l+1,k}] T_{l,k}$ , TriSeg<sub>l,k</sub>" which restores and even improves the initial error bounds.

Selecting the right  $R_{l,k}$  for the next  $locll(R_{l,k})$ -call within  $\mathbf{SLLL}_0$  rests on the decision whether  $D_{l,k}, D_{l+1,k}$  differ by at least a factor  $(\alpha/\delta)^{k^2}$ , where  $(\alpha/\delta)^{k^2} > (\frac{4}{3})^{k^2} > 2^{0.4n}$  for  $k \geq \sqrt{n}$ . This is always correctly decided because the  $r_{i,i}$  and thus  $D_{l,k}, D_{l+1,k}$  are computed with an arbitrary small relative error  $\varepsilon$  due inequality (1). W.l.o.g. we can assume that all except possibly one  $r_{i,i}$  satisfy  $r_{i,i} \geq 2^{-n}/M_0$ .

Intermediate basis vectors have length  $\leq 6k(\frac{3}{2})^{2k}M_0M_12^n = 2^{n+o(n)}M_0M_1$  because  $||T_{l,k}||_1 \leq 6k(\frac{3}{2})^{2k}M_1$  holds by Lemma 1, and size-reduction increases the length of intermediate basis vectors by at most a factor  $2^n$ . Hence all integers and fpa numbers within **SLLL**<sub>0</sub> have bit length  $5n + \log_2(M_0^2M_1^3)$ .

## 5 Gradual SLLL Reduction Using Short Bases.

The algorithm **SLLL** of this section achieves the same length defect as **LLL**, uses intermediate bases of length  $2^{n+o(n)}M_0$ , and is correct under fpa with  $t = 7n + 2\log_2 M_0$  precision bits. **SLLL** prepares local LLL-reductions through local reductions on subsegments that get reduced with smaller  $\delta$ -values, all local transforms have norm  $2^{n+o(n)}$ . **SLLL** saves a factor  $n/\log_2 n$  in the number of arithmetic steps compared to **LLL**<sub>H</sub>, using  $7n + 2\log_2 M_0$ -bit integers and fpa numbers. For input bases of length  $2^{O(n)}$  and d = O(n) **SLLL** performs  $O(n^{5+\varepsilon})$  bit operations for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  compared to  $O(n^{6+\varepsilon})$  bit operations for **LLL**<sub>H</sub>,

**SLLL**<sub>0</sub> and the LLL-algorithms of [S88], [St96]. The advantage of **SLLL** is the use of small integers of bit length  $7n + 2 \log M_0$  which is crucial in practice.

The use of small integers and short intermediate bases within **SLLL** rests on a gradual LLL-type reduction so that all local LLL-transforms  $T_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  of  $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  have norm  $O(2^n)$ . This requires to work with segments of all sizes  $2^{\sigma}$  and to perform LLL-reduction on  $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  with a measured strength, i.e., SLLL-reduction according to Definition 3. If the submatrices  $R_{2l,2^{\sigma-1}}$ ,  $R_{2l+1,2^{\sigma-1}} \subset R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  are already SLLL-reduced then  $loclll(R_{l,k})$  performs a transform  $T_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  bounded as  $||T_{l,2^{\sigma}}||_F = O(2^n)$ . This is the core of fpa-correctness of **SLLL**.

Comparison with semi-reduction of [Sc84, St96]. The semi-reduction algorithm of [Sc84] also uses segments but proceeds without adjusting LLL-reduction according to Def. 2 and without Theorem 4. This algorithm runs for input bases of length  $2^{O(n)}$  in  $O(n^{6+\varepsilon})$  bit operations, its combination with modular reduction [St96] runs in  $O(n^{5.5+\varepsilon})$ -bit operations. This time bound also holds for a combination of [S88] and [Sc84], see Theorem 9 [S88]. Assuming that  $n \times n$  matrices can be multiplied using  $O(n^{\beta})$  arithmetic steps the semi-reduction of [St96, Thm 24] runs in  $O(n^{5+\frac{1}{5-\beta}+\varepsilon})$  bit operations. **SLLL** beats the [St96] time bound even if  $n \times n$ -matrix multiplication can be done in  $O(n^2)$  steps. **SLLL** achieves for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  length defect  $(\frac{4}{3} + \varepsilon)^{n/2}$  whereas semi-reduction achieves  $2^n$ . Moreover, **SLLL** is practical even for small n since all our O-constants and  $n_0$ -values are small.

We let n be a power of  $2, \frac{1}{2} \le \delta < 1, \alpha = \frac{1}{\delta - \frac{1}{4}}$ . We set  $s := \lceil \frac{1}{2} \log_2 n \rceil$  so that  $\sqrt{n} \le 2^s < 2\sqrt{n}$ .

**Definition 3.** A basis  $b_1, ..., b_n \in \mathbb{R}^d$  is an SLLL-basis (or SLLL-reduced) for  $\delta \geq \frac{1}{2}$  if it satisfies for  $\sigma = 0, ..., s = \lceil \frac{1}{2} \log_2 n \rceil$  and all  $l, 1 \leq l < n/2^{\sigma}$ :

$$D_{l,2\sigma} < \alpha^{4\sigma} \delta^{-n} D_{l+1,2\sigma}$$
.

If the inequalities of Def.3 hold for a basis they also hold for the dual basis. Thus the dual of an SLLL-basis is again an SLLL-basis. To preserve SLLL-reducedness by duality we do not require SLLL-bases to be size-reduced.

The inequalities of Def.3 for  $\sigma = 0$  mean that  $\|\boldsymbol{q}_l\|^2 \leq \alpha \delta^{-n} \|\boldsymbol{q}_{l+1}\|^2$  holds for all l. The inequalities of Def.3 are merely required for  $2^{\sigma} \leq 2\sqrt{n}$ . Therefore, **SLLL** locally LLL-reduces  $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  via  $locLLL(R_{l,2^{\sigma}})$  merely for segment sizes  $2^{\sigma} < 2\sqrt{n}$ , where size-reduction of a vector requires  $O(2^{2\sigma}) = O(n)$  arithmetic steps.

The inequalities of Def.3 and  $D_{l,k} \leq (\alpha/\delta)^{k^2} D_{l+1,k}$  of Def.2 coincide for  $k = 2^{\sigma}$  when setting  $\delta := \delta_{\sigma}$  in Def.2, and  $\delta_{\sigma} := \delta^{n4^{-\sigma}}$  for the  $\delta$  of Def.3. Note that  $\delta_{\sigma}$  can be arbitrarily small, e.g.  $\delta_{\sigma} \ll \frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\delta_{\sigma}$  decreases with  $\sigma$ . In particular for  $2^{\sigma} = k \geq \sqrt{n}$  we have that  $\alpha^{4^{\sigma}} \delta^{-n} \leq (\alpha/\delta)^{k^2}$  and thus the inequalities of Def.3 are stronger than the ones of Def.2. Next we show via Lemma 2 that the vectors of SLLL-bases approximate the successive minima in nearly the same way as for LLL-bases.

Theorem 6. Every size-reduced SLLL-basis satisfies

1. 
$$\lambda_j^2 \le \alpha^{j-1} \delta^{-7n} \| \boldsymbol{q}_j \|^2$$
 for  $j = 1, ..., n$ ,  
2.  $\| \boldsymbol{b}_l \|^2 \le \alpha^{j-1} \delta^{-7n} \| \boldsymbol{q}_j \|^2$  for  $l \le j$ ,

2. 
$$\|\dot{\boldsymbol{b}}_l\|^2 \le \alpha^{j-1} \delta^{-7n} \|\boldsymbol{q}_j\|^2$$
 for  $l \le j$ ,

3. 
$$\|\boldsymbol{b}_j\|^2 \le \alpha^{n-1} \delta^{-7n} \lambda_j^2$$
 for  $j = 1, ..., n$ .

*Proof.* We first prove 1. and 2. There clearly exists  $l, 1 \le l \le j$  so that  $\lambda_i \le ||b_l||$ . Using Lemma 2 and size-reducedness we get

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_j^2 &\leq \|\boldsymbol{b}_l\|^2 \leq \|\boldsymbol{q}_l\|^2 + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i=1}^{l-1} \|\boldsymbol{q}_i\|^2 \\ &\leq \|\boldsymbol{q}_j\|^2 \alpha^{j-1} \delta^{-7n} [\alpha^{1-l} + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i=1}^{l-1} \alpha^{1-i}]. \end{aligned}$$

This upper bound on  $\|\boldsymbol{b}_l\|^2$  holds for all l and j with  $l \leq j$ . To finish the proof of 1. and 2. it remains to show that  $\alpha^{1-l} + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i=1}^{l-1} \alpha^{1-i} \leq 1$ . This is trivial for l = 1 and holds for  $l \geq 2$  as  $\alpha \geq 4/3$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^{l-1} \alpha^{1-i} \leq \frac{1-\alpha^{1-l}}{1-3/4}$ .

3. We note that every lattice basis satisfies  $\lambda_j \geq ||\boldsymbol{b}_l|| \geq ||\boldsymbol{q}_l||$  for some  $l \geq j$ , and thus  $\lambda_j^2 \geq ||\boldsymbol{q}_l||^2 \geq \alpha^{-l+i} \delta^{7n} ||\boldsymbol{q}_i||^2$  holds for all  $i \leq l$  by Lemma 2. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \| \boldsymbol{b}_j \|^2 & \leq \| \boldsymbol{q}_j \|^2 + \tfrac{1}{4} \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} \| \boldsymbol{q}_i \|^2 \leq \delta^{-7n} [\alpha^{l-j} + \tfrac{1}{4} \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} \alpha^{l-i}] \lambda_j^2 \leq \delta^{-7n} \alpha^{l-1} \lambda_j^2 \\ \text{holds since } \boldsymbol{b}_j \text{ is size-reduced, and } \| \boldsymbol{q}_i \|^2 \leq \delta^{-7n} \alpha^{l-i} \lambda_j^2. \end{aligned}$$

Bounds for other bases. 1. The proof of Theorem 6 shows that LLL-bases satisfy the inequalities of Theorem 6 with  $\delta^{-7n}$  replaced by 1, because they satisfy the inequalities of Lemma 2 with  $\delta^{-7n}$  replaced by 1. Therefore LLL-bases satisfy  $\alpha^{1-j} \le \|\boldsymbol{q}_j\|^2 / \lambda_j^2 \le \|\boldsymbol{b}_j\|^2 / \lambda_j^2 \le \alpha^{n-1}.$ 

2. Every size-reduced basis satisfies the inequalities of Lemma 2 with  $\alpha^{j-i}\delta^{-7n}$ replaced by  $M_1^2$ , i.e.,  $\|\mathbf{q}_i\|^2 \leq M_1^2 \|\mathbf{q}_j\|^2$  for i < j. Retracing the proof of Theorem 6 shows that every size-reduced basis satisfies for j = 1, ..., n

$$\frac{4}{j+3}/M_1^2 \le \|\boldsymbol{q}_j\|^2/\lambda_j^2 \le \|\boldsymbol{b}_j\|^2/\lambda_j^2 \le \frac{j+3}{4}M_1^2.$$

**Lemma 2.** Every SLLL-basis  $b_1, \ldots, b_n$  satisfies

$$\|\mathbf{q}_i\|^2 \le \alpha^{j-i} \delta^{-7n} \|\mathbf{q}_j\|^2 \text{ for } 1 \le i < j \le n.$$

*Proof.* Every SLLL-basis satisfies

$$D_{l,2^{\sigma}}^{2^{-\sigma}} \le (\alpha/\delta_{\sigma})^{2^{\sigma}} D_{l+1,2^{\sigma}}^{2^{-\sigma}}$$

$$\tag{5}$$

for  $\delta_{\sigma} := \delta^{n 4^{-\sigma}}$  and  $\sigma = 0, ..., s$  and all l, because  $(\alpha/\delta_{\sigma})^{4^{\sigma}} = \alpha^{4^{\sigma}} \delta^{-n}$ .

Moreover, we have for all 
$$l$$
 and  $\sigma = 0, ..., s$ :
$$D_{l,2^{\sigma}}^{2-\sigma} \leq (\alpha/\delta_{\sigma})^{2^{\sigma-1}} D_{\frac{l+1}{2},2^{\sigma+1}}^{2-\sigma-1}.$$
(6)

This follows by multiplying both sides of (5) by  $D_{l,2^{\sigma}}^{2^{-\sigma}}$ , using the equality  $D_{l,2^{\sigma}}D_{l+1,2^{\sigma}}=$  $D_{\frac{l+1}{2},2^{\sigma+1}}$  and taking square roots on both sides.

Let 
$$i_0, ..., i_{s-1} \in \{0, 1\}$$
 and  $l_0, ..., l_s \in \mathbb{N}$  satisfy
$$i + \sum_{\sigma'=0}^{\sigma-1} (1 + i_{\sigma'}) 2^{\sigma'} = l_{\sigma} 2^{\sigma} \qquad \text{for } \sigma = 0, ..., s.$$
(7)

We prove for  $\sigma = 0, ..., s$  by induction on  $\sigma$ :

$$\|q_i\|^2 \le \prod_{\sigma'=0}^{\sigma-1} (\alpha/\delta_{\sigma'})^{2^{\sigma'}(\frac{1}{2}+i_{\sigma'})} D_{l_{\sigma},2^{\sigma}}^{2^{-\sigma}}.$$
 (8)

The claim for  $\sigma = 0$ :  $\|\boldsymbol{q}_i\|^2 \le D_{l_0,1} = \|\boldsymbol{q}_i\|^2$  holds as  $\sum_{\sigma'=0}^{-1} := 0$ ,  $\prod_{\sigma'=0}^{-1} := 1$ ,  $i = l_0$ .

Induction from  $\sigma$  to  $\sigma+1$ . We see from (7) that  $2l_{\sigma+1}=l_{\sigma}+1+i_{\sigma}$ . If  $l_{\sigma}$  is odd than  $i_{\sigma}=0$  and  $l_{\sigma+1}=\frac{l_{\sigma}+1}{2}$ . In this case we combine (8) with inequality (6) for  $l:=l_{\sigma}$ . This yields (8) for  $\sigma+1$ . If  $l_{\sigma}$  is even,  $i_{\sigma}=1$  then we first combine (8) with (5) for  $l:=l_{\sigma}$ , and we proceed with  $l_{\sigma}+1$  as in the previous case with  $l_{\sigma}$ .

Applying the inequalities (6) to the dual basis  $b_1^*, ..., b_n^*$  we get for odd l and  $\sigma = 0$  s:

$$D_{l+1,2\sigma+1}^{2^{-\sigma-1}} \le (\alpha/\delta_{\sigma})^{2^{\sigma-1}} D_{l,2\sigma}^{2^{-\sigma}}.$$
 (6\*)

Let  $j_0, ..., j_{s-1} \in \{0, 1\}$  and  $l_0^*, ..., l_s^* \in \mathbb{N}$  satisfy

$$j - \sum_{\sigma'=0}^{\sigma-1} j_{\sigma'} 2^{\sigma'} = l_{\sigma}^* 2^{\sigma}$$
 for  $\sigma = 0, \dots, s$ . (7\*)

By duality (8) yields for  $\sigma = 1, ...., s$ :

$$D_{l_{\tau}^{*},2^{\sigma}}^{2^{-\sigma}} \leq \prod_{\sigma'=0}^{\sigma-1} (\alpha/\delta_{\sigma'})^{2^{\sigma'}(\frac{1}{2}+j_{\sigma'})} \|\boldsymbol{q}_{j}\|^{2}.$$
 (8\*)

The claim of Lemma 2 clearly holds for  $j-i \leq 7$  since Def.3 for  $\sigma=0$  requires that  $\|\boldsymbol{q}_l\|^2 \leq \alpha \delta^{-n} \|\boldsymbol{q}_{l+1}\|^2$ . To prove the claim for  $j-i \geq 8$  we combine the inequalities (8) and (8\*) for a suitable  $\sigma$ . If  $j-i \geq 2^{s+2}$  we set  $\sigma:=s$ , otherwise we choose  $\sigma$  such that  $2^{\sigma+1} \leq j-i < 2^{\sigma+2}$ , and thus  $\sigma \geq 2$ . We set  $l_{\sigma}:=\lceil (i-1)/2^{\sigma}+1 \rceil$ ,  $l_{\sigma}^*=\lfloor j/2^{\sigma} \rfloor$ . Then there exist  $i_{\sigma'}, j_{\sigma'} \in \{0,1\}$  such that (7), (7\*) hold for  $\sigma$ .

Obviously  $l_{\sigma}^* - l_{\sigma} > (j-i)/2^{\sigma} - 3 \ge 2 - 3 = -1$  holds for  $2 \le \sigma \le s$  because  $(j-i)/2^{\sigma} \ge 2$  for  $\sigma < s$  and  $(j-i)/2^s \ge 4$  for  $\sigma = s$ . Hence  $l_{\sigma} \le l_{\sigma}^*$ .

Case  $l_{\sigma} = l_{\sigma}^{*}$ . By (8) and (8\*):  $\|\boldsymbol{q}_{i}\|^{2} \leq \prod_{\sigma'=0}^{\sigma-1} (\alpha/\delta_{\sigma'})^{2^{\sigma'}(1+i_{\sigma'}+j_{\sigma'})} \|\boldsymbol{q}_{j}\|^{2}$ , where  $i + \sum_{\sigma'=0}^{\sigma-1} (1+i_{\sigma'}+j_{\sigma'})2^{\sigma'} = j$ . We see from  $\delta_{\sigma'} = \delta^{n} 4^{-\sigma'}$  and  $\sum_{\sigma'=0}^{\sigma-1} (1+i_{\sigma'}+j_{\sigma'})2^{-\sigma'} \leq 6-2^{-\sigma+1}$  that

$$\|\mathbf{q}_i\|^2 \le \alpha^{j-i} \delta^{-6n+n2^{-\sigma+1}} \|\mathbf{q}_j\|^2.$$
 (9)

Case  $l_{\sigma} < l_{\sigma}^*$ . We set  $l' := l_{\sigma}^* - l_{\sigma}$ . We combine (8), (8\*) and  $D_{l_{\sigma}, 2^{\sigma}}^{2^{-\sigma}} \le (\alpha/\delta_{\sigma})^{2^{\sigma}l'} D_{l_{\sigma}+l', 2^{\sigma}}^{2^{-\sigma}}$  which follows from (5). This induces into the right side of (9) another factor  $\delta_{\sigma}^{-2^{\sigma}l'}$ .

For  $\sigma = s$  we have  $\delta_s^{-2^s l'} = \delta^{-n2^{-s} l'} \le \delta^{-n}$  as  $l' < (j-i)2^{-s} < n2^{-s} \le 2^s$ . Hence  $\|\boldsymbol{q}_i\|^2 \le \alpha^{j-i}\delta^{-7n+2m} \|\boldsymbol{q}_j\|^2$ .

For  $\sigma < s$  we have l' = 1 because  $i - l_{\sigma} \ge 2^{\sigma} - 1$  and  $j - i < 2^{2\sigma}$ . Hence  $\|\boldsymbol{q}_i\|^2 \le \alpha^{j-i} \delta^{-6n} \|\boldsymbol{q}_j\|^2$ .

**SLLL** uses the procedure LLLSeg<sub>l,1</sub> that breaks locLLL( $R_{l,1}$ ) up into parts, each with a bounded transform  $||T_{l,1}||_1 \le 9 \cdot 2^{n+1}$ . This keeps intermediate bases of length  $O(4^n M_0)$  and limits fpa-errors within LLLSeg<sub>l,1</sub>.

LLLSeg<sub>l,1</sub> LLL-reduces the basis  $R_{l,1} = \begin{bmatrix} r_{l,l} & r_{l,l+1} \\ 0 & r_{l+1,l+1} \end{bmatrix} \subset R$  after dilating row $(2,R_{l,1})$  so that  $r_{l,l}/r_{l+1,l+1} \leq 2^{n+1}$ . After the LLL-reduction of the dilated

 $R_{l,1}$  we undo the dilation, by transporting the local transform  $T_{l,1} \in \mathbb{Z}^{2\times 2}$  to B. LLLSeg<sub>l,1</sub> includes global updates between local rounds.

#### LLLSeg<sub>l.</sub>

# Given  $R_{l,1}$ ,  $b_1$ ,...,  $b_{l+1}$ ,  $h_1$ ,...,  $h_l$ ,  $r_1$ ,...,  $r_l$ , LLLSeg $_{l,1}$  LLL-reduces  $R_{l,1}$ .

1. If  $r_{l,l}/r_{l+1,l+1} > 2^{n+1}$  THEN [  $R'_{l,1} := R_{l,1}$ ,  $row(2, R'_{l,1}) := row(2, R'_{l,1}) 2^{-n-1} r_{l,l}/r_{l+1,l+1}$  locLLL( $R'_{l,1}$ ),

# global update: [ $b_l$ ,  $b_{l+1}$ ] := [ $b_l$ ,  $b_{l+1}$ ]  $T_{l,1}$ , TriCol $_l$ , TriCol $_{l+1}$  ]

2. locLLL( $R_{l,1}$ ).

**Lemma 3.** LLLSeg<sub>l,1</sub> performs O(nd) arithmetic steps. An effectual step 1 decreases  $\mathcal{D}^{(1)}$  by a factor  $2^{-n/2}$  via a transform  $T_{l,1}$  satisfying  $||T_{l,1}||_1 \leq 9 \cdot 2^{n+1}$ .

*Proof.* Consider  $R'_{l,1}$  after dilation of  $\operatorname{row}(2,R'_{l,1})$  which results in  $r'_{l,l}/r'_{l+1,l+1} \leq 2^{n+1}$ . The local transform  $T_{l,1}$  of  $\operatorname{locLLL}(R'_{l,1})$  satisfies  $||T_{l,1}||_1 \leq 9 \cdot 2^{n+1}$  using Lemma 1 with k=1.

The dilated and LLL-reduced  $R'_{l,1}$  satisfies  $r'_{l,l}/r'_{l+1,l+1} \leq \sqrt{\alpha} \leq 2$ . Undoing the dilation via  $[\boldsymbol{b}_l, \boldsymbol{b}_{l+1}] := [\boldsymbol{b}_l, \boldsymbol{b}_{l+1}] T_{l,1}$  yields a basis  $R'_{l,1}$  which is LLL-reduced after dilation. Therefore undoing the dilation shrinks  $r'_{l,l}$  and  $r'_{l+1,l+1}$  by factors that are bounded by the dilation factor  $2^{-n-1}r_{l,l}/r_{l+1,l+1}$ , and thus increases  $r'_{l,l}/r'_{l+1,l+1}$  at most by the dilation factor. Hence, an effectual step 1 yields

$$r_{l,l}^{\text{new}} / r_{l+1,l+1}^{\text{new}} \le 2 \cdot 2^{-n-1} r_{l,l} / r_{l+1,l+1}.$$

It decreases  $r_{l,l}/r_{l+1,l+1}$  by a factor  $2^{-n}$ , decreases  $r_{l,l}$  by a factor  $2^{-n/2}$ , and thus decreases  $\mathcal{D}^{(1)} = \prod_{l=1}^{n-1} d_l$  by a factor  $2^{-n/2}$ .

## SLLL

INPUT  $b_1, \ldots, b_n \in \mathbb{Z}^d$  (a basis with  $M_0, M_1, M$ ),  $\delta, \alpha, \varepsilon$ OUTPUT  $b_1, \ldots, b_n$  size-reduced SLLL-basis for  $\delta, \varepsilon$ 

- 1. TriCol<sub>1</sub>, TriCol<sub>2</sub>, l' := 2,  $s := \lceil \frac{1}{2} \log_2 n \rceil$ # TriCol<sub>l'</sub> has always been executed for the current l'
- 2. WHILE  $\exists \sigma \leq s, \ l, \ 2^{\sigma}(l+1) \leq l'$  such that  $D_{l,2^{\sigma}} > \alpha^{4^{\sigma}} \delta^{-n} D_{l+1,2^{\sigma}}$  # Clearly  $r_{1,1},...,r_{l',l'}$  and thus  $D_{l,2^{\sigma}}, \ D_{l+1,2^{\sigma}}$  are available DO for the minimal such  $\sigma$  and the minimal l:

  IF  $\sigma = 0$  THEN LLLSeg<sub>l,1</sub> ELSE locLLL( $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$ ) #global update: transport  $T_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  to B, TriSeg<sub>l,2^{\sigma}</sub>
- 3. IF l' < n THEN l' := l' + 1, TriCol<sub>l'</sub>, GOTO 2.

Correctness in ideal arithmetic. All inequalities  $D_{l,2^{\sigma}} \leq \alpha^{4^{\sigma}} \delta^{-n} D_{l+1,2^{\sigma}}$  hold upon termination of **SLLL**. As TriSeg<sub>l,2^{\sigma}</sub> results in size-reduced segments  $B_{l,2^{\sigma}}$ ,  $B_{l+1,2^{\sigma}}$  the terminal basis is size-reduced.

**Theorem 7.** Given a basis with  $M_0$ , M **SLLL** finds under fpa of precision  $t = 7n + 2\log_2 M_0$  for  $n \ge n_0$  an SLLL-basis for  $\delta_-$ . It runs in  $O(nd \log_2 n \log_{1/\delta} M)$  arithmetic steps using integers and fpa numbers of bit length  $7n + o(n) + 2\log_2 M_0$ .

For  $M_0 = 2^{O(n)}$  and d = O(n) **SLLL** runs in  $O(n^4 \log n)$  arithmetic steps, and thus in  $O(n^{5+\varepsilon'})$  bit operations for every  $\varepsilon' > 0$ .

*Proof. Time bound.* It is crucial that  $\mathcal{D}^{(2^{\sigma})}$  does not increase within **SLLL**. locLLL $(R_{l,2^{\sigma}})$  leaves  $\mathcal{D}^{(2^{\sigma'})}$  unchanged for  $\sigma' > \sigma$  and does not increase  $\mathcal{D}^{(2^{\sigma'})}$  for  $\sigma' \leq \sigma$ , because the segments  $B_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  of level  $\sigma$  partition B, and this partition refines as  $\sigma$  decreases.

Each locLLL( $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$ ) execution within **SLLL** decreases  $D_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  and  $\mathcal{D}^{(2^{\sigma})}$  by a factor  $\delta^{n/2}$  by the argument of Theorem 4. As initially  $\mathcal{D}^{(2^{\sigma})} = \prod_{l=1}^{m-1} D_{l,2^{\sigma}}^{m-l} \leq M^{n2^{-\sigma}}$  the number of locLLL( $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$ )-executions for all l is  $\leq \log_{\delta^{-n/2}}(M^{n2^{-\sigma}}) = 2^{-\sigma+1}\log_{1/\delta}M$  for each  $\sigma \geq 1$ . Each execution requires  $O(nd2^{\sigma})$  global steps for TriSeg<sub>l,2^{\sigma}</sub>, hence all executions require  $O(nd\log_{1/\delta}M)$  global steps for each  $\sigma \geq 1$ . For  $\sigma = 0$  each round of LLLSeg<sub>l,1</sub> requires O(nd) arithmetic steps and decreases  $\mathcal{D}^{(1)} \leq M^n$  by a factor  $2^{-n/2}$  due to Lemma 3. Hence, there are at most  $2\log_2 M$  rounds of SegLLL<sub>l,1</sub> for all l, requiring a total of  $O(nd\log_2 M)$  global arithmetic steps. Thus there are  $O(nd\log_2 n\log_{1/\delta}M)$  global arithmetic steps for all  $\sigma = 0, ..., s$ . The number of local steps, induced by local LLL-swaps of locLLL( $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$ ), is bounded by  $O(n2^{2\sigma}\log_{1/\delta}M)$  for each  $\sigma \leq s$ , as for SLLL<sub>0</sub> with  $r = 2^{\sigma}$ . In addition there are n TriCol<sub>l</sub>-executions requiring  $O(n^2d)$  arithmetic steps. These steps are within the claimed step bound as  $M \geq 2^n$ . The required sqrt's can be computed within the claimed step bound by Newton iteration.

Correctness under fpa.We first bound the  $M_{l,2^{\sigma}}$ -value of the input  $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  of locLLL and LLLSeg<sub>l,1</sub>. If  $\sigma \geq 1$  then  $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  is SLLL-reduced as **SLLL** executes locLLL( $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$ ) for the smallest possible  $\sigma$ , and thus  $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$ , a basis of dimension  $n' = 2^{\sigma+1} \leq 2\sqrt{n}$ , is SLLL-reduced as the inequalities of Def.3 already hold for  $\sigma' \leq \lceil \frac{1}{2}(\sigma+1) \rceil = \lceil \frac{1}{2}\log_2 n' \rceil$ . Therefore,  $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  satisfies by Lemma 2:  $M_{l,2^{\sigma}} \leq \alpha^{2^{\sigma+1}} \delta^{-7n} \leq 2^n$  for  $\delta \geq 0.96$ ,  $\alpha \leq \sqrt{2}$ ,  $2^{\sigma} \leq 2\sqrt{n}$  and  $n \geq 16$ .

If  $\sigma=0$  the execution of LLLSeg<sub>l,1</sub> on the dilated input  $R'_{l,1}$  performs by Lemma 3 a transform  $T_{l,1}$  with  $||T_{l,1}||_1 \leq 9 \cdot 2^{n+1}$  and the dilated  $R'_{l,1}$  satisfies  $M_1(R'_{l,1}) \leq 2^{n+1}$ .

The fpa-errors of  $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$ ,  $R'_{l,1}$  within **SLLL**. When  $r_{i,l}$  is used the basis  $\boldsymbol{b}_1,...,\boldsymbol{b}_{l-1}$  already satisfies the bounds of Lemma 2 and  $r_{l-1,l-1}/r_{l,l} \leq 2^{n+1}$  holds after dilation of  $R'_{l,1}$ . The initial  $r_{i,l}$  resulting from  $\operatorname{TriCol}_1$ ,...,  $\operatorname{TriCol}_l$  satisfies the inequalities (1),(3),(4) with  $\bar{M}_0 \leq M_0$  and  $\bar{M}_1^2 \leq \alpha^l \delta^{-7n} 4^n \leq 2^{3n}$ . Hence, the initial fpa-error of  $\bar{\mu}_{l,i}$  is bounded according to (4) by  $O(d7^l M_0^2 2^{-3n} 2^{-t})$ .

The loss of precision within  $locLLL(R_{l,2^{\sigma}})$  described in Cor.1(1) gets corrected by the global update subsequent to  $locLLL(R_{l,2^{\sigma}})$ . We see that **SLLL** is correct using fpa with  $t = 7n + o(n) + 2\log_2 M_0$  precision bits.

By Lemma 1 and the argument of Theorem 2 all intermediate basis vectors have length bounded by  $2^n M_0 || T_{l,2^{\sigma}} ||_1 = 2^{2n+o(n)} M_0$ . Therefore, all integers and fpa-numbers in **SLLL** have bit length  $\leq 7n + o(n) + 2 \log_2 M_0$ .

SLLL-bases versus LLL-bases. LLL-bases with  $\delta$  satisfy the inequalities of Theorem 6 with  $\delta$  replaced by 1. Thus  $\|\boldsymbol{b}_j\|$  approximates  $\lambda_j$  to within a factor  $\alpha^{\frac{n-1}{2}}$  for LLL-bases, resp., within a factor  $(\alpha/\delta^7)^{\frac{n-1}{2}}$  for SLLL-bases. However, SLLL-bases for  $\delta' = \delta^{1/8}$  are "better" than LLL-bases for  $\delta$ , in the sense that they guarantee a smaller length defect, because  $\alpha'/\delta'^7 = \frac{1}{\delta'^8 - \delta'^7/4} = \frac{1}{\delta - \delta'^7/4} < \frac{1}{\delta - 1/4} = \alpha$ .

Dependence of time bounds on  $\delta$ . The time bounds contain a factor  $\log_{1/\delta} 2$ ,

$$\log_{1/\delta} 2 = \log_2(e) / \ln(1/\delta) \le \log_2(e) \frac{\delta}{1-\delta},$$

since  $\ln(1/\delta) \geq 1/\delta - 1$ . We see that replacing  $\delta$  by  $\sqrt{\delta}$  essentially halves  $1 - \delta$  and doubles the SLLL-time bound. Hence, replacing  $\delta$  by  $\delta^{1/8}$  increases the **SLLL**-time bound at most by a factor 3. In practice, the LLL-time may increase slower than by the factor  $\frac{\delta}{1-\delta}$  as  $\delta$  approaches 1, see [KS01b, Fig.3].

Reducing a generator system. There is an algorithm **SLLL**' that, given a generator matrix  $B \in \mathbb{Z}^{d \times n}$  of arbitrary rank  $\leq n$ , transforms B with the performance of **SLLL**, into an SLLL-basis for  $\delta_{-}$  of the lattice generated by the columns of B.

## 6 SLLL-Reduction via Iterated Subsegments.

We present a variant of SLLL-reduction that extends LLL-operations stepwise to larger and larger submatrices  $R_{l,2^{\sigma}} \subset R$  by transporting local transforms from level  $\sigma-1$  to level  $\sigma$  recursively for  $\sigma=1,...,s$ , where  $n=2^s$ . Local LLL-reduction and the transport of local LLL-transforms is done by the new procedure  $locSLLL(R_{l,2^{\sigma}})$  that recursively executes  $locSLLL(R_{l',2^{\sigma-1}})$  for l'=2l-1,2l,2l+1. SLLL+ does not iterate the global procedure TriSeg iterating instead the faster local procedure locTri.

Unfortunately  $\mathbf{SLLL}^+$  seems to require under  $fpa\ t = O(\log(M_0M_1)) = O(n\log M_0)$  precision bits to cover the fpa-errors that get accumulated by the initial TriSeg and by iterating locTri. Obviously,  $t = O(n\log M_0)$  precision bits erase under fpa the advantage of  $\mathbf{SLLL}^+$  over  $\mathbf{SLLL}$ .  $\mathbf{SLLL}^+$  essentially saves a factor n in the number of arithmetic steps compared to  $\mathbf{SLLL}$  but requires fpa-numbers that are n-times longer. We can reduce t by using Scaled LLL-reduction of [KS01b], and by a novel partitioning the  $\mathbf{SLLL}^+$ -reduction into transforms  $T_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  with small norm and correcting  $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}T_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  by a global update. We plan to include this into a separate paper.

Here we merely analyse **SLLL**<sup>+</sup> in ideal real arithmetic. **SLLL**<sup>+</sup> runs in  $O(n^2d + n \log_2 n \log_{1/\delta} M)$  arithmetic steps, e.g. for  $M_0 = 2^{O(n)}$  and d = O(n) it runs in  $O(n^3 \log n)$  arithmetic steps.

**Definition 4.** A basis  $b_1, \ldots, b_n \in \mathbb{Z}^d$  with  $n = 2^s$  is an SLLL<sup>+</sup>-basis (or SLLL<sup>+</sup>-reduced) for  $\delta$  if it satisfies for  $\sigma = 0, ..., s = \log_2 n$ 

$$D_{l,2^{\sigma}} \le (\alpha/\delta)^{4^{\sigma}} D_{l+1,2^{\sigma}} \quad \text{for odd } l \in [1, n/2^{\sigma}]. \tag{10}$$

Unlike to Def.2 and Def.3 the inequalities (10) are not required for even l, this opens new efficiencies for SLLL<sup>+</sup>-reduction. The inequalities (10) hold for each  $\sigma$  and odd l locally in double segments  $[B_{l,2^{\sigma}}, B_{l+1,2^{\sigma}}]$ , they do not bridge these pairwise disjoint double segments. For  $\sigma = 0$  the inequalities (10) mean that  $\|\boldsymbol{q}_l\|^2 \leq \alpha/\delta \|\boldsymbol{q}_{l+1}\|^2$  holds for odd l.

The inequalities (10) are preserved under duality. If  $b_1, ..., b_n$  is an SLLL<sup>+</sup>basis then so is the dual basis  $b_1^*, ..., b_n^*$ . We next extend Theorem 3, and show that the first vector of an SLLL<sup>+</sup>-basis is almost as short relative to  $(\det \mathcal{L})^{\frac{2}{n}}$  as for LLL-bases.

**Theorem 8.** Every  $SLLL^+$ -basis  $b_1, \ldots, b_n$ , where n is a power of 2 satisfies  $\|\boldsymbol{b}_1\| < (\alpha/\delta)^{\frac{n-1}{4}} (\det \mathcal{L})^{\frac{1}{n}} \quad and \quad \|\boldsymbol{q}_n\| > (\delta/\alpha)^{\frac{n-1}{4}} (\det \mathcal{L})^{\frac{1}{n}}.$ 

*Proof.* Using the inequalities (10) merely for l=1 we prove by induction on  $\sigma$ that  $\|\boldsymbol{b}_1\|^{2^{\sigma+1}} \le (\alpha/\delta)^{4^{\sigma}/2-2^{\sigma-1}} D_{1,2^{\sigma}}$  holds for  $\sigma = 0, ..., s = \log_2 n$ .

For  $\sigma=s$  this proves the first claim of the theorem as  $D_{1,2^s}=(\det \mathcal{L})^2$  and  $4^s2^{-s-1}-\frac{1}{2}=\frac{n-1}{2}$ . The second claim holds by duality. The induction claim for  $\sigma=0$  means that  $\|\boldsymbol{b}_1\|^2\leq \|\boldsymbol{b}_1\|^2$  as  $4^0/2-\frac{1}{2}=0$ .

Induction from  $\sigma$  to  $\sigma + 1$ . By SLLL<sup>+</sup>-reducedness we have that  $D_{1,2^{\sigma}} \leq$  $(\alpha/\delta)^{4^{\sigma}}D_{2,2^{\sigma}}$ . We multiply both sides by  $D_{1,2^{\sigma}}$  then the equation  $D_{1,2^{\sigma+1}}=D_{1,2^{\sigma}}D_{2,2^{\sigma}}$  yields  $D_{1,2^{\sigma}}^2\leq (\alpha/\delta)^{4^{\sigma}}D_{1,2^{\sigma+1}}$ .

This and the squared induction hypothesis for  $\sigma$  implies

$$\|\boldsymbol{b}_1\|^{2^{\sigma+2}} < (\alpha/\delta)^{4^{\sigma}-2^{\sigma}} (\alpha/\delta)^{4^{\sigma}} D_{1,2^{\sigma+1}}.$$

This proves the claim for  $\sigma + 1$  since  $4^{\sigma} - 2^{\sigma} + 4^{\sigma} = 4^{\sigma+1}/2 - 2^{\sigma}$ . 

Let the given basis  $b_1,...,b_n \in \mathbb{Z}^d$  have GNF  $R \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . The local procedures  $locSLLL(R_{l,2^{\sigma}})$ ,  $locTri(R_{l,2^{\sigma}})$  are given for input on transformed submatrices  $R_{l,2^{\sigma}} = R'_{l,2^{\sigma}} T_{l,2^{\sigma}}$ , where  $R'_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  is the initial submatrix  $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  of R and  $T_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  is the currently performed transform. We let locSLLL $(R_{l,1})$  coincide with  $locll(R_{l,1})$ , and we recursively define  $locsll(R_{l,2})$  for  $\sigma = 1, ..., s$ .

 $locSLLL(R_{l,2^{\sigma}})$  ( $locSLLL_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  for short)

# locSLLL $_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  locally  $SLLL^+$ -reduces  $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  and updates the local transform  $T_{l,2^{\sigma}}$ . Note that  $R_{l',2^{\sigma-1}} \subset R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  iff  $l' \in \{2l-1,2l,2l+1\}$ .

1.  $T_{l,2^{\sigma}} := I_{2^{\sigma+1}}, \ l' := 2l-1$ 

#  $T_{l,2\sigma}$  is always updated to be the product of all previous transforms  $T_{l',2\sigma'}$  for  $\sigma' < \sigma$  performed within locSLLL<sub>l,2\sigma</sub>.

2. WHILE l' < 2l + 1 DO

copy  $R_{l',2^{\sigma-1}}$  from  $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$ 

locSLLL $_{l',2^{\sigma-1}}$ , transport  $T_{l',2^{\sigma-1}}$  to  $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  and  $T_{l,2^{\sigma}}$ , locTri $(R_{l,2^{\sigma}})$ , update  $T_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  for the size-reduction performed by locTri IF  $l' \geq 2l$  and  $D_{l'-1,2^{\sigma-1}} > (\alpha/\delta)^{4^{\sigma-1}}D_{l',2^{\sigma-1}}$  THEN l':=l'-1 ELSE l':=l'+1.

 $locTri(R_{l,2^{\sigma}})$ 

# locTri( $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$ ) locally triangulates and size-reduces  $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  using  $O(2^{3\sigma})$  arithmetic steps.

- 1. Produce a copy  $[\boldsymbol{b}_1',...,\boldsymbol{b}_{2^{\sigma+1}}']$  of  $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$
- $2. \quad \text{FOR} \quad i=1,...,2^{\sigma+1} \quad \text{DO} \quad \text{TriCol}(\pmb{b}_1'...,\pmb{b}_i',\pmb{h}_1',...,\pmb{h}_{i-1}',\pmb{r}_1',...,\pmb{r}_{i-1}')$
- 3.  $D_{j,2^{\sigma}} := \prod_{i=0}^{2^{\sigma}-1} r_{2^{\sigma}j-i,2^{\sigma}j-i}$ , for j = l, l+1.

Correctness of  $locSLLL_{l,2^{\sigma}}$ . We see by induction on  $\sigma$  that upon termination of  $locSLLL_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  the basis  $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  is  $SLLL^+$ -reduced, upper-triangular and size-reduced; its local transform is stored in  $T_{l,2^{\sigma}}$ . Local triangulation of a transformed  $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}T_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  results in the same submatrix  $R_{l,2^{\sigma}} \subset R$  obtained by global triangulation of the transformed B via  $local Triseg_{1,n/2}$ .

Upon termination the inequalities (10) hold locally within  $R_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  for even and odd l, but possibly  $D_{4l,2^{\sigma-2}} > (\alpha/\delta)^{4^{\sigma-2}} D_{4l+1,2^{\sigma-2}}$  since the final locSLLL<sub>2l+1,2^{\sigma-1}</sub>-execution may revers the inequality  $D_{4l,2^{\sigma-2}} \leq (\alpha/\delta)^{4^{\sigma-2}} D_{4l+1,2^{\sigma-2}}$ .

### $SLLL^+$

INPUT  $b_1, \ldots, b_n \in \mathbb{Z}^d$  (a basis with M),  $n = 2^s$ ,  $\delta$ OUTPUT  $b_1, \ldots, b_n$  a size-reduced SLLL<sup>+</sup>-basis

- 1. # compute  $R_{1,n/2}$ : TriSeg<sub>1,n/2</sub>
- 2.  $locSLLL(R_{1,n/2})$ , # global update:  $B := BT_{1,n/2}$

Correctness of  $SLLL^+$  follows from the correctness of  $locSLLL_{1,n/2}$ .

**Theorem 9.** In ideal arithmetic  $\mathbf{SLLL}^+$  computes a size-reduced  $SLLL^+$ -basis for  $\delta$  and runs in  $O(n^2d + n \log_2 n \log_{1/\delta} M)$  arithmetic steps.

Proof. For  $\sigma = 0, ..., s-1$  let  $\#_{2^{\sigma}}$  denote the number of  $locSLLL_{l,2^{\sigma}}$ -executions in  $SLLL^+$  due to  $D_{l,2^{\sigma}} > (\alpha/\delta)^{4^{\sigma}} D_{l+1,2^{\sigma}}$  for all l. By the argument of Theorem 4 each  $locSLLL_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  execution counted in  $\#_{2^{\sigma}}$  decreases  $\mathcal{D}^{(2^{\sigma})}$  by the factor  $\delta^{4^{\sigma}/2}$ . Initially the integer  $\mathcal{D}^{(2^{\sigma})}$  satisfies  $\mathcal{D}^{(2^{\sigma})} \leq M^{n/2^{\sigma}}$ , and upon termination  $\mathcal{D}^{(2^{\sigma})} \geq 1$ , hence  $\#_{2^{\sigma}} \leq 2n \cdot 2^{-3\sigma} \log_{1/\delta} M$ .

Each of the  $locSLLL_{l',2^{\sigma-1}}$ -executions within  $locTri(R_{l,2^{\sigma}})$  requires an overhead of  $O(2^{3\sigma})$  arithmetic steps. This covers the matrix transports and the subsequent  $locTri(R_{l,2^{\sigma}})$ -execution. The very first  $locSLLL_{l',2^{\sigma-1}}$  -execution within  $locSLLL_{l,2^{\sigma}}$  is possibly not counted in  $\#_{2^{\sigma-1}}$ . We allocate its overhead of  $O(2^{3\sigma})$  steps to the overhead of  $locSLLL_{l,2^{\sigma}}$ . We see that the total overhead of all  $locSLLL_{l,2^{\sigma}}$ -executions is  $O(2^{3\sigma} + n \log_{1/\delta} M)$  for each  $\sigma \leq s$ .

Moreover, the initial  $\operatorname{TriSeg}_{1,n/2}$  and the final update  $B := B T_{1,n/2}$  require  $O(n^2 d)$  arithmetic steps. We see that  $\operatorname{\mathbf{SLLL}}^+$  runs in  $O(n^2 d + n \log_2 n \log_{1/\delta} M)$  arithmetic steps, where  $s = \log_2 n$ .

Further improvements of  $\mathbf{SLLL}^+$ . It is still possible to improve the time bound of  $\mathbf{SLLL}^+$  via modular reduction and fast matrix multiplication following [St96]. But this will hardly be practical. Other variants of  $\mathbf{SLLL}^+$  are more promising.  $\mathbf{SLLL}^+$  can be modified to achieve the length defect of  $\mathbf{SLLL}$ -bases. This is possible by the concept of strong SLLL-reduction of [KS02]. Practicability requires an  $\mathbf{SLLL}^+$ -algorithm that runs under fpa of  $t = O(n + \log_2 M_0)$  precision bits instead of the straightforward method with  $t = O(n \log_2 M_0)$ . We plan to continue in this direction.

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