

A theorem about finite reflection groups.

① Consider the matrix:
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & \omega \end{bmatrix}$$

where ω is a root of unity. Such a linear transformation T fixes the hyperplane. Let f be a polynomial map from $\mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$. Consider the function $f \circ T$. Let α be a point on the fixed hyperplane. Then:

$$(f - f \circ T)(\alpha) = f(\alpha) - f \circ T(\alpha) = f(\alpha) - f(\alpha) = 0.$$

$\Rightarrow f - f \circ T$ vanishes on the hyperplane, thus $f - f \circ T \in (H)$, where $(H) \subseteq \mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ is the ideal generated by H .

Thus we have a general definition:

Let $S = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} S_n$ be a noetherian graded algebra over $S_0 = \mathbb{C}$ and let G be a finite group acting on S by degree preserving \mathbb{C} -automorphisms.

Defⁿ: $g \in G$ is a pseudo-reflection if there is a homogeneous element s_g of +ve degree, not a zero divisor such that $\forall s \in S, g(s) - s \in s_g S$.

Theorem: Let $S = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} S_n$, G a finite group generated by pseudo-reflections and $R = S^G$. Then S is a finitely generated free module over R .

(a) S is a finitely generated module over R because S is integral over R . Hence S/S_{R_+} is a finitely generated module over R/R_+ . But $R/R_+ = \mathbb{C}$ so $S/R_+ S$ is a finite dimensional vector space over \mathbb{C} .

(b) Let $\bar{f}_1, \dots, \bar{f}_n$ generate S/R_+S over R/R_+ , then we claim that f_1, \dots, f_n generate S over R .

Proof: we proceed by induction on the degree of f ; the element to be expressed as an element of $\sum Rf_i$.

(i) ~~let $\deg(f) = 0$, then for~~

first note that given a homogenous element $f \in S$, $\exists c_i$ such that $f - \sum c_i f_i = \sum s_i r_i$, where $\deg(r_i) > 0$ and $\deg(s_i) < \deg(f)$.

(i) let $\deg(f) = 0$ then $\deg(s_i) < 0 \Rightarrow s_i = 0 \forall i$
 $\Rightarrow f = \sum c_i f_i$

(ii). Assume the result for $\deg(f) < n$. ~~the~~ Let f be a homogenous element with $\deg(f) = n$.

then $f = \sum s_i r_i + \sum c_i f_i$ where $\deg(s_i) < n$

$\Rightarrow s_i \in \sum Rf_i$; this proves the claim.

(c). we now have a candidate for the free basis of S over R .

To show that the above f_i indeed generate S over R as a free module we make the following observation:

Claim: If $f_1, \dots, f_n \in S$ are homogenous elements and $\sum f_i r_i = 0$, $r_i \notin (r_2, \dots, r_n)$ then $f_i \in R_+S$.

we assume this and prove:

(d). If $\bar{f}_1, \dots, \bar{f}_n$ are forms linearly independent ~~over~~ ⁱⁿ S/R_+S then they are linearly independent over in S over R .

we show: Not linearly independent in S over $R \Rightarrow$ not linearly independent in S/R_+S .

we proceed by induction on the number of forms k .

(i) if $f_1 r_1 = 0$ and $r_1 \neq 0$ then by the claim $f_1 \in SR_+ \Rightarrow \bar{f}_1 = 0$

(ii) Let's assume the result for $k' < k$ and $k > 1$

If $\sum f_i r_i = 0$ then by the claim $r_1 \in (r_2, \dots, r_k)$ or
 $r_1 \notin (r_2, \dots, r_k)$

If the second case is true then $f_1 \in SR_+ \Rightarrow \bar{f}_1 = 0$
hence the set $\bar{f}_1, \dots, \bar{f}_k$ is linearly dependent.

therefore $r_1 \in (r_2, \dots, r_k) \Rightarrow r_1 = \sum r_i r_i' \quad r_i' \in R.$

$$\Rightarrow f_1 r_1 + f_2 r_2 + \dots + f_k r_k = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (f_2 + f_1 r_2') r_2 + \dots + (f_k + f_1 r_k') r_k = 0.$$

This by induction $\overline{f_2 + f_1 r_2'}, \dots, \overline{f_k + f_1 r_k'}$ are linearly

dependent $\Rightarrow \bar{f}_1, \dots, \bar{f}_k$ are linearly dependent. ~~---~~

we now prove

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(e) Proof of claim:-

Let f_1, \dots, f_k be forms in S such that $\sum f_i r_i = 0$ for $r_i \in R$

If $r_1 \notin (r_2, \dots, r_k)$ then $f_1 \in SR_+$. We proceed by induction

on the degree of f_1 . If $\deg(f_1) = 0$ then

$$r_1 = \frac{1}{f_1} \sum_{i=2}^k f_i r_i \quad \text{applying the reynold's operator}$$

$$r_1 = \frac{1}{f_1} \sum P(f_i) r_i$$

$$\Rightarrow r_1 \in (r_2, \dots, r_k) \rightarrow \Leftarrow$$

let $\deg(f_i) > 0$ and $\sum f_i r_i = 0$, if $g \in G$ is a pseudoreflection then $\sum g(f_i) r_i = 0$.

$\Rightarrow \sum (f_i - g(f_i)) r_i = 0$, $\exists s_g \in S$ of +ve degree such that $f_i - g(f_i) = e_i s_g$, here $\deg(e_i) < \deg(f_i)$

This $\sum e_i r_i = 0$ and $\deg(e_i) < \deg(f_i) \Rightarrow e_i \in SR_+$

so if g is a pseudoreflection then $f_i - g(f_i) \in SR_+$

But G is generated by pseudoreflections, this means that $f_i - g(f_i) \in SR_+ \forall g \in G$. Hence $f_i - p(f_i) \in SR_+$

but $p(f_i) \in R_+$ if $\deg(f_i) > 0 \Rightarrow f_i \in SR_+$

The main result allows us to prove the following corollary:

If G acts on $\mathbb{C}[X_1, \dots, X_n]$ such that $\deg(\sigma) = \deg(g\sigma) \forall g \in G$, then the ring of invariants is a polynomial ring if G is generated by pseudo-reflections.

Proof:- $S = \mathbb{C}[X_1, \dots, X_n]$ is regular, S^G is the ring of invariants. S is finitely generated free over S^G , then since S is regular S^G is regular and a regular graded ring is a polynomial algebra.