

KNR Tutorial Sheet 2

1. The dimension of the graded piece of degree d in a polynomial ring of n variables $K[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ is $\binom{n+d-1}{n-1}$. The dimension of the space of polynomials of degree $\leq d$ in n variables is $\binom{n+d}{d}$.
Conclude that $K[V]^G$ is generated as an algebra over K with at most $\binom{|G| + \dim V}{\dim V}$ generators (G finite gp, K char 0, V f.d./ K G -rep).
2. $H \trianglelefteq G$ finite gp. Then $\pi_{G,H}: U^H \rightarrow U^H$ given by $u \mapsto \frac{1}{[G:H]} \sum_{g \in G/H} g \cdot u$ is an idempotent G -linear projection with image U^G . (U is any G -linear repn).
3. The following are equivalent for a f.d. G -linear repn:
 - a. Every G -invariant subspace admits a G -invariant complement
 - b. It is a sum of irreducible G -invariant subspaces
 - c. It is a direct sum of G -invariant irreducible subspaces.
4. If these equivalent conditions hold, the representation is said to be semisimple.
Using (the transfer map with $H = \{1\}$ or otherwise) show that ~~any~~ condition (a) of 3 above holds for any G finite gp - rep over a field K such that $\text{char } K \nmid |G|$. (This ~~is what is~~ any f.d. G -linear repn over K is semisimple. This is what is meant by " G is a linearly reductive gp" over a field K such that $\text{char } K \nmid |G|$.)
5. Let V & W be G -linear reps with V f.d. Then $V^* \otimes W \simeq \text{Hom}(V, W)$ naturally as G -modules.
6. (General version of 3). A be a ring (not necessarily commutative with identity). The following are equivalent for an A -module M :
 - (a) every submodule N admits a complement
 - (b) M is a ~~direct~~ sum of simple submodules
 - (c) M is a direct sum of simple submodules.Such a module M is called semisimple.
A bit involved. Refer to Jacobson.