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## Chap. II - GIT over an arbitrary base

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Here we follow the treatment in [ ]. It turns out that there are no essential difficulties in carrying out GIT over an arbitrary base. However, the basic definitions, hypotheses and formulae - though in this book, are not given in this exposition. We will content ourselves with sketches rather than detailed proofs.

### § 1. Preliminaries:

For simplicity we work over a base scheme  $S$  which is affine,  $S = \text{Spec } R$  ( $R$  noetherian ring with 1).

Let  $G = \text{Spec } R[G]$  be an affine group scheme over  $S$ . Let  $V$  be an  $R$ -module. Then  $V$  is said to be a  $G$ - $S$  module (or  $G$ - $R$  module or shortly  $G$ -module) if for every  $R$ -algebra  $A$ , we are given a homomorphism (of groups)

$$\varphi_A : G(A) \rightarrow \text{Aut}_{A\text{-mod}}(V \otimes_R A)$$

which is functorial in  $A$ . When  $g \in G(A)$  and  $v \in V \otimes_R A$ , we often simply write  $gv$  instead of  $\varphi_A(g)v$ . It is easily seen that  $V$  is a  $G$ -module if and only if we are given an  $R$ -linear map

$$V \rightarrow V \otimes_R R[G]$$

which makes  $V$  into a comodule under the coalgebra (or bialgebra)  $R[G]$  over  $R$ .

The  $R$ -algebra  $R[G]$ , considered as an  $R$ -module, has two natural  $G$ -module structures called the left regular and right regular representations respectively. These

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can be seen as follows: To define  $G(A)$ -module structures on the  $A$ -module  $R[G] \otimes_R A$  ( $= A[G \otimes_R A]$ ). An element  $F \in R[G] \otimes_R A$  is simply giving maps:

$$F_{A'} : G(A') \rightarrow A', \quad A' \text{ an } A\text{-algebra}$$

which are functorial in  $A'$ . We have canonical homomorphisms

$$\rho_{A'} : G(A) \rightarrow G(A')$$

Then if  $s \in G(A)$ , it is clear that the left and right regular representations are defined respectively, as follows: let  $g \in G(A')$ .

$$(i) L_s F_{A'}(g) = F_{A'}(\rho_{A'}(s^{-1})g) \text{ or simply } F_{A'}(s^{-1}g)$$

$$(ii) R_s F_{A'}(g) = F_{A'}(gs).$$

Let  $V_1, V_2$  be two  $G$ - $R$  modules. We have the notion of a  $G$ -homomorphism  $\varphi : V_1 \rightarrow V_2$ , namely  $\varphi$  is  $R$ -linear and  $\varphi \otimes_R A$  is a  $G(A)$ -homomorphism for every  $R$ -alg  $A$  (functorial in  $A$ ).

If  $V_1$  is an  $R$ -module If  $V_1, V_2$  are two  $G$ - $R$  modules and  $V_1$  is an  $R$ -submodule of  $V_2$  such that the inclusion is a  $G$ -homomorphism, we say that  $V_1$  is a  $G$ -submodule of  $V_2$ . If, moreover, the canonical homomorphism is injective  $\forall R$ -algebra  $A$ , we say that  $V_1$  is a pure  $G$ -submodule of  $V_2$ . If  $V_1$  is a direct summand of  $V_2$  (as an  $R$ -module) and  $V_1$  is a  $G$ -submodule of  $V_2$ , then  $V_1$  is a pure  $G$ -submodule of  $V_2$ . Any  $R$ -module has a trivial  $G$ -module structure, namely we define

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$g v = v$ , if  $g \in G(A)$  and  $v \in V \otimes_R A$ . The structure morphism  $G \rightarrow S$  is given by  $R \rightarrow R[G] (= R \otimes_R R[G])$ . It is easy to see that this gives the trivial  $G$ -module structure on  $R$  (constants).

An element  $v \in V$ , where  $V$  is a  $G$ -module, is called  $G$ -invariant if  $\forall R$ -algebra  $G(A)v = v$  (to be strict,  $v$  denotes the element  $v \otimes 1$  in  $V \otimes_R A$ ), or equivalently, the  $R$ -homomorphism  $R \rightarrow V$ , defined by  $1 \mapsto v$ , is a  $G$ -homomorphism, or ~~and~~ equivalently under the comodule structure  $V \rightarrow V \otimes_R R[G]$ ,  $v \mapsto v \otimes 1$ . The set of  $G$ -invariants is an  $R$ -submodule of  $V$ , denoted as  $V^G$ . In fact  $V^G$  is a  $G$ -submodule of  $V$  ( $V^G$  endowed with the trivial  $G$ -module structure). An element  $v \in V \otimes_R A$  ( $A$   $R$ -algebra, which is  $G \otimes_R A$  invariant) is sometimes called for shortness, a  $G$ -invariant element of  $V \otimes_R A$ .

Let  $V$  be a  $G$ -module. Then  $\forall R$ -algebra  $A$ , the  $A$ -module  $\text{Hom}_A(V \otimes_R A, A)$  has a canonical  $G(A)$  module structure (contragredient to the  $G(A)$  action on  $V \otimes_R A$ ). However, these data need not define a  $G$ -module on  $V^* = \text{Hom}_R(V, R)$ . Suppose that  $V$  is free of finite rank over  $R$ . Then we get a canonical  $G$ -module structure on  $V^*$ , for we have

$$V^* \otimes_R A \cong \text{Hom}_A(V \otimes_R A, A)$$

Let  $\langle , \rangle$  denote the canonical pairing  $\cong$  between  $T \otimes_R A$  and  $V^* \otimes_R A$ . Then we have

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$$\langle v, v^* \rangle = \langle gv, gv^* \rangle; \quad v \in V \otimes_R A, \quad v^* \in V^* \otimes_R A,$$

$$g \in G(A).$$

Given  $v \in V$  and  $v^* \in V^*$ , we can define<sup>to</sup> "matrix coefficient function"  $u_{v,v^*}$  (as in Remark 3, Chap. I), namely define

$$u_{v,v^*,A} : G(A) \rightarrow A, \quad A \text{ an } R\text{-algebra}$$

$$u_{v,v^*,A}(g) = \langle v, gv^* \rangle, \quad g \in G(A)$$

We check ~~to~~ that this is functorial in  $A$  so that these data define an element  $u_{v,v^*} \in R[G]$ . Fixing  $v^*$ , we get an  $R$ -linear map

$$\delta_{v^*} : V \rightarrow R[G]$$

which is checked to be a  $G$ -homomorphism for the left regular representation of  $G$  on  $R[G]$ . If  $V \rightarrow V \otimes_R R[G]$  is the comodule structure, we check that  $\delta_{v^*}$  is obtained by contracting this with respect to  $v^*$ .

Let  $X$  be an  $S$ -scheme. An action (or operation) of  $G$  on  $X$  (say on the left) is to give an action of  $G(A)$  on  $X(A)$  ( $\forall R$ -algebra  $A$ ) which is functorial in  $A$ . The action of  $G$  on  $X$  can be equivalently defined by a morphism

$$G \times_S X \rightarrow X$$

satisfying the usual axioms. Let  $X, Y$  be  $S$ -schemes on which  $G$  operates. Then an  $S$ -morphism  $\varphi : X \rightarrow Y$  is called a  $G$ -morphism if  $\forall R$ -algebra,  $\varphi_A : X(A) \rightarrow Y(A)$  is  $G(A)$  (i.e.  $G(A)$ -equivariant map). We say that  $\varphi$  is a  $G$ -immersion (resp. a closed  $G$ -immersion) if  $\varphi$  is an immersion (resp. a closed immersion) and a  $G$ -morphism. We then refer to the subscheme (resp. closed subscheme)

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$\varphi(X)$  of  $Y$  as a  $G$ -stable subscheme (resp. closed subscheme) of  $Y$ . Let  $X_1, X_2$  be two  $S$ -schemes on each of which  $G$  operates. Then we get a canonical action of  $G \times_S G$  on  $X_1 \times_S X_2$  and restricting this to the diagonal of  $G \times_S G$  which is identified with  $G$ , we get an action of  $G$  on  $X_1 \times_S X_2$ , called the diagonal action of  $G$ .

Let  $B$  be an  $R$ -algebra. We call  $B$  a  $G$ - $R$  algebra (or simply a  $G$ -algebra) if  $B$  is a  $G$ -module for the underlying  $R$ -module structure and  $\mathbb{H}R$ -algebra  $A$ , the elements of  $G(A)$  induce ~~at~~  $A$ -algebra automorphisms of  $B \otimes_R A$  (functorial in  $A$ ). Equivalently, this means that we are given an action of ~~of~~  $G$  on  $X = \text{Spec } B$ . We see also that a  $G$ - $R$  algebra structure on  $B$  is equivalently given by an  $R$ -algebra homomorphism

$$B \longrightarrow B \otimes_R R[G]$$

making  $B$  into a comodule under the coalgebra  $R[G]$ . We denote by  ~~$B^G$~~  see that  $B^G$  (the  $G$ -invariant submodule of  $B$ , defined above) is indeed an  $R$ -subalgebra of  $B$ .

If  $V_1, V_2$  are two  $G$ - $R$  modules, then on  $V_1 \oplus V_2$  and  $V_1 \otimes_R V_2$ , we get canonical structures of  $G$ - $R$  modules. If  $V$  is a  $G$ -module, we get a canonical structure of a graded  $G$ - $R$  algebra (defined in the obvious way) on the symmetric algebra  $S(V)$  of  $V$ .

Let  $V$  be a free module of finite rank endowed with a  $G$ -module structure. Let  $X = \text{Spec } S(V^*)$ . Then since

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$X(A) \cong V \otimes_R A$  ( $A$  an  $R$ -algebra), we get an action of  $G$  on the affine scheme  $X = \mathbb{A}_S^r$  ( $r = \text{rk } V$ ). We call such an action of  $G$  on  $\mathbb{A}_S^r$  a linear action.

Proposition 1: Let  $V$  be a  $G$ - $R$  module, free of finite rank over  $r$ . Then we can find a  $G$ -homomorphism

$$\varphi: V \rightarrow \bigoplus_{1 \leq i \leq r} R[G] \quad (\text{$r$-fold direct sum})$$

such that  $\varphi$  identifies  $V$  as a pure submodule of  $\bigoplus_{1 \leq i \leq r} R[G]$ .

In particular, if  $\Omega: R \rightarrow R'$  is a  $k$ -algebra homomorphism and  $v \in V$  is such that  $v_0$  is the canonical image of  $v$  in  $V \otimes_R R'$ ,  $v_0 \neq 0$

then there is a  $G$ -homomorphism

$$\psi: V \rightarrow R[G]$$

such that  $(\psi \otimes_{R'} R')(v_0) \neq 0$ .

Proof: Let  $\{v_i\}_{i=1}^r$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq r$ , be a basis of  $V$  over  $R$  and  $\{v_i^*\}$  be the dual basis. If we set  $\varphi = \bigoplus_{i=1}^r \delta_{v_i^*}$ ,

$\varphi = \bigoplus \delta_{v_i^*}$  (with notations as above), it is clear that

$\varphi$  is injective, as well as that  $\delta \varphi \otimes A$  is injective ( $A$  an  $R$ -algebra).

The last assertion is immediate.

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In the sequel, we assume the following (consequence of a result due to

Lemma 1: Let  $G$  be smooth over  $S$  with connected geometric fibres. Then  $R[G]$  is projective over  $R$  (as an  $R$ -module).

Let  $X = \text{Spec } B$  be an affine  $S$ -scheme on which  $G$  acts.

We say that a  $B$ -module  $M$  is a  $G$ - $B$  module (or a

quasi-coherent  $G$ - $\mathcal{O}_X$ -module) if the  $G$ -module on the

underlying  $R$ -module  $\text{of } M$  we are given a  $G$ -module structure,

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compatible with the action of  $G$  on  $X$  i.e.  $\forall R\text{-algebra } A$ , we have

$$g(a \cdot m) = g(a) g(m); \quad a \in B \otimes_A R, m \in M \otimes_R A.$$

If  $M$  is coherent over  $B$  and  $B$  Noetherian, we also call  $M$  a coherent  $G - \mathcal{O}_X$ -module. If  $M_1, M_2$  are two  $G$ - $B$  modules, we see easily that  $M_1 \oplus M_2$ ,  $M_1 \otimes M_2$  and  $S(M_1)$  ~~have~~<sup>have</sup> canonical  $G$ - $B$  module structures.

The following proposition shows that we have to make some hypotheses to operate as freely as we do over a base field.

Proposition 2: Let  $X = \text{Spec } B$  with a  $G$ - $S$  ( $i.e G$ - $R$ ) action.

Then we have:

(i) Suppose that  $G$  is flat over  $S$ . Then the category of  $G$ - $R$  modules (resp.  $G$ - $B$  modules) is Abelian

(ii) Suppose that  $G$  is flat over  $S$ . Then if  $f: V \rightarrow W$  is a  $G$ -homomorphism and  $W_1$  is a  $G$ -submodule of  $W$  such that  $f(V) \subset W_1$ , then  $f: V \rightarrow W_1$  is a  $G$ -homomorphism.

(iii) Suppose that  $R[G]$  is  $R$ -projective (in particular,  $G$  smooth over  $S$  with connected geometric fibres). Let  $M$  be a  $G$ - $B$  module and  $I = \text{Ann } M$  (annihilator of  $M$  considered as a  $B$ -module). Then  $I$  is a  $G$ -stable ideal in  $B$ .

(iv) Suppose that  $G$  is smooth over  $S$  with connected geometric fibres and  $B$  an integral domain. Then the torsion submodule  $T(M)$  of  $M$  (considered as a  $B$ -module) is a  $G$ - $B$  submodule of  $M$ .

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Proof: The proofs are not difficult and we refer to [ J. For example, if  $f: V \rightarrow W$  is a  $G$ -homomorphism of  $G$ - $R$  module and  $V_1 = \text{Ker } f$  (as an  $R$ -module), it is not clear that we would have a canonical homomorphism

$$\text{Ker } f \rightarrow \text{Ker } f \otimes_R R[G]$$

defining a comodule (or  $\otimes G$ -module) structure on  $\text{Ker } f$ .

However, if  $R[G]$  is flat over  $R$ , we have :

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Ker } f \rightarrow V \rightarrow \text{Im } f \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{exact}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ 0 \rightarrow \text{Ker } f \otimes_R R[G] & \rightarrow & V \otimes_R R[G] & \rightarrow & \text{Im } f \otimes_R R[G] & \rightarrow & 0 \end{array} \quad \text{exact}$$

and we see that the canonical homomorphism  $V \rightarrow V \otimes_R R[G]$  factors

through  $\text{Ker } f \rightarrow \text{Ker } f \otimes_R R[G]$ . It is not difficult to see that this gives a comodule structure on  $\text{Ker } f$ , etc.

Corollary: Let  $G$  be flat over  $S$  and  $G$  act on  $X = \text{Spec } B$  ( $B$  an  $R$ -algebra). Let  $Y = \text{Spec } C$  be a closed  $G$ -stable subscheme of  $X$  i.e. the canonical homomorphism  $B \rightarrow C$  is a  $G$ - $R$  algebra homomorphism. This is equivalent to saying that  $I = \text{Ker}(B \rightarrow C)$  is a  $G$ -stable ideal in  $B$ . Further, all the powers  $I^m$  also acquire canonical ~~are also canonically~~ are also canonically  $G$ -stable ideals in  $B$ .

Proof: The first assertion follows from Prop 2, (i). As for the second consider, for example,  $I^2$ . Now by for the diagonal

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action of  $G$  on  $B \otimes_R B$ , the  $R$ -algebra homomorphism

$j: B \otimes_R B \rightarrow B$ ,  $j(b_1 \otimes b_2) = b_1 b_2$  (diagonal morphism) is a homomorphism of  $G$ - $R$ -algebras. The canonical inclusion

$I \hookrightarrow B$  induces a  $G$ - $B$  homomorphism  $I \otimes_R I \xrightarrow{i} B \otimes_R B$ .

Then  $(j \circ i)$  is a  $G$ - $B$  homomorphism  $I \hookrightarrow \text{Im}(j \circ i) = I^2$ . Again by Prop. 2, we see that  $I^2$  is a  $G$ -stable ideal in  $B$ .

Proposition 3: Suppose that  $R[G]$  is  $R$ -projective (in particular  $G$  smooth over  $S$  with connected geometric fibres). Let  $V$  be a  $G$ - $R$  module. Then every finitely generated  $R$ -submodule of  $V$  is contained in a  $G$ -stable submodule of  $V$ , finitely generated over  $R$ .

Proof: The proof runs on the same lines as in Mumford's book [8, Chap. I, Sect. 1] or see Prop. 3, [1].

Corollary 1: Let  $G$  be as in Prop. 3 above. Then we have an increasing filtration

$$\bigcup_i P_i = R[G]; \quad P_i \subset P_{i+1}$$

of  $G$ -submodules of  $R[G]$  (say for the left regular representation) such that  $P_i$  is an  $R$ -module of finite type.

Corollary 2: Let  $H$  be a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -group scheme such that  $\mathbb{Z}[H]$  is free over  $\mathbb{Z}$  (in particular  $H$  is smooth over  $\mathbb{Z}$  with connected geometric fibres) and  $G = H \times_{\text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}} S$ . Then we have an increasing filtration

$$\bigcup_i P_i = R[G], \quad P_i \subset P_{i+1}$$

such that  $P_i$  is free over a  $G$ -submodule of  $R[G]$  and free and finitely generated over  $R$ . Further, we could also

Proof! The first Corollary is immediate. As we suppose that  $P_i$  is a pure submodule of  $R[G]$ .

Proof! Now Cor. 1 is immediate. As for Cor. 2, because of base change, it suffices to prove it when  $R = \mathbb{Z}$ . Then since  $\mathbb{Z}[G]$  is free over  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $P_i$  is a finitely generated and torsion free over  $\mathbb{Z}$  and hence free over  $\mathbb{Z}$ . To prove the last assertion, consider  $G \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$  and a filtration

$$\bigcup_i Q_i = \mathbb{Q}[G], \quad Q_i \subset Q_{i+1}$$

where  $Q_i$  are  $G \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$  modules, free of finite rank over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Now define

$$P_i = Q_i \cap R[G]$$

Then we see that  $P_i$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -direct summand in  $R[G]$  and acquires a canonical  $G$ -submodule structure of  $R[G]$ .

## § 2 Geometric reductivity

Definition: An (affine) group scheme  $G$  over  $S$  ( $S = \text{Spec } R$ ,  $R$  noetherian) is said to be reductive if (i)  $G \rightarrow S$  is smooth (in particular  $G \rightarrow S$  is flat and of finite type) (ii) the geometric fibres of  $G \rightarrow S$  are connected and are reductive algebraic groups (see Def. 1, Chap. I). It is said to be moreover split

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if we have a maximal torus subgroupscheme of  $G$  which is split. A torus group scheme is said to be split if

$$T = \underset{n\text{-fold}}{\prod} G_{m,R}, \quad G_{m,R} = \text{Spec } R[\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}^{-1}].$$

The basic results that we assume are

(i) if  $G \rightarrow S$  is split, reductive, then it is obtained as base change of a split, reductive group scheme over  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

(ii) if  $G \rightarrow S$  is reductive, then given  $s \in S$ , there is a neighbourhood  $V$  of  $s$  and an étale surjective map  $V' \rightarrow V$  such that the base change  $G \times_S V'$  is split, reductive over  $V'$ . In particular, we note that if  $R$  is a local ring, then we can find a morphism  $S' \rightarrow S$  ( $S = \text{Spec } R$ ) which is (faithfully) flat and finite type, such that  $G \times_S S'$  is split over  $S'$ .

Proposition 4: Let  $G$  be a split reductive group scheme over  $S$ . Then we have

$$(i) \quad \bigcup_i P_i = R[G], \quad P_i \subset P_{i+1}$$

where  $P_i$  is a  $G$ -submodule of  $R[G]$ , free of finite rank over  $R$ .

(ii) Take a representation  $G \cong H \times_{\text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}} S$ , where  $H$  is split, reductive over  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Then given a  $G$ - $R$  module  $V$ , free of finite rank over  $R$  and  $v_0 \in V \otimes_R k$ ,  $v_0 \neq 0$  (through an  $R$ -algebra homomorphism  $R \rightarrow k$ ,  $k$  a field),

$\exists$  a homomorphism  $\varphi$  of  $G$ -modules

$$\varphi : V \rightarrow P$$

such that  $(\varphi \otimes k)(v_0) \neq 0$  and  $P$  is the base change  
of an  ~~$H$ -submodule~~  $Q$  of  $\mathbb{Z}[H]$  such that  $Q$  is free  
of finite rank over  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

Proof: The first assertion follows from Cor. 1 of Prop. 3

We have a representation  $G = H \times_{\text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}} S^5$ , as in (i) above.

Then (i) follows from Cor. 2 of Prop. 3. Now by Prop. 1,

$\exists$  a  $G$ -homomorphism  $\psi : V \rightarrow R[G]$  such that

$(\psi \otimes k)(v_0) \neq 0$ . Again by Prop. 3, Cor 2, it follows  
we have a factorisation

$$V \xrightarrow{\psi} P \xrightarrow{i} R[G], \quad \psi = i \circ \varphi$$

$\varphi$   $G$ -homomorphism

(here we use (ii) of Prop. 2)

where  $P$  is the base change of an  $H_{\mathbb{Z}}$ -module ~~of~~  $Q$  of

$\mathbb{Z}[H]$ , free of finite rank over  $\mathbb{Z}$ . It follows that

~~$\varphi$~~   $(\varphi \otimes k)(v_0) \neq 0$ , q.e.d.

Let  $T$  be a split torus group scheme. Then we  
have

$$T = \text{Spec } R[x_1, \dots, x_r; x_1^{-1}, x_2^{-1}, \dots, x_r^{-1}]$$

( $= \text{Spec } R[T]$ ).

Then we see that  $R[T]$  is a free module and that

$$R[T] = \bigoplus_{m=(m_1, \dots, m_r)} \mathbb{Z}_{m_i} \quad m_i \in \mathbb{Z}$$

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where  $\gamma_m$  is <sup>the</sup>  $T$ -module such that the underlying  $R$ -module is free of rank one, associated to character  $X_m \in \text{Hom}(T, G_m)$ ,

$X$  being the character canonically associated to  $m = (m_1, \dots, m_r), m_i \in \mathbb{Z}$

We get a canonical  $T$ -projection  $R[T] \rightarrow \gamma_m$ , in particular a canonical  $T$ -projection  $R[T] \rightarrow R[T]^T \cong \gamma_0 \cong R$ . If

$R[T]^{(k)}$  denotes the  $k$ -fold direct of  $R[T]$ , then we have

$$R[T]^{(k)} = \bigoplus_m \gamma_m^{(k)}, \quad m = (m_1, \dots, m_r), m_i \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Note that for distinct  $m$ ,  $\gamma_m^{(k)}$  are non-isomorphic  $T$ -modules.

Let us now assume for simplicity that  $R = \mathbb{Z}$  or a discrete valuation ring. This suffices for our purpose. Then note that if  $W$  is a  $T$ -submodule of  $R[T]^{(k)}$ , we have

$$W = \bigoplus_m (W \cap \gamma_m^{(k)})$$

In particular, we have a canonical  $T$ -projection

$$W \rightarrow W^T \quad \text{and } W^T \text{ is free over } R$$

Proposition 5: Let  $T$  be a split torus group scheme over  $R$  with  $R = \mathbb{Z}$  or a discrete valuation ring. Let  $V$  be a  $T$ -module, which is free over  $R$ . Then we have a canonical  $T$ -projection  $V \rightarrow V^T$ .

Proof: By Prop. 3,  $V$  is the union of finitely generated  $T$ -modules and since  $R$  is as above, these submodules

Can also suppose to be free over  $R$ . Hence it suffices to prove the proposition when  $V$  is also supposed to be free over  $R$ , and fininitely generated over  $R$ . Then by Prop. 1, we can find a a (pure)  $\mathbb{G}$ - $T$ -embedding

$$V \hookrightarrow \bigoplus_k R[T] = R[T]^{(k)} \text{ (k fold direct sum)}$$

Then by the preceding remarks, we get a canonical  $T$ -projection  $V \rightarrow V^T$ , q. e. d.

The following lemma says that taking invariants commutes with flat change and is crucial for our purpose.

Lemma 1: Let  $V$  be a  $G$ - $R$  module ( $G$  any affine group scheme over  $R$ ) and  $R \rightarrow R'$  be a flat extension. Then we have

$$V^G \otimes_R R' = (V \otimes_R R')^{G \otimes_R R'}$$

Proof: Let  $\varphi: V \rightarrow V \otimes_R R[G]$  be the comodule structure on  $V$ . We have seen that

$$0 \rightarrow V^G \rightarrow V \xrightarrow{\ker(\varphi - I)} V \otimes_R R[G], \text{ exact sequence of } R\text{-modules}$$

where  $I$  is the  $R$ -linear map

$$I: V \rightarrow V \otimes_R R[G], v \mapsto v \otimes 1.$$

We have only to tensor the above sequence by  $R'$ , q. e. d.

Theorem 1: Let  $G$  be a reductive group scheme over  $S (= \text{Spec } R)$  and  $V$  a  $G$ - $R$  module which is a free finitely generated  $R$ -module of rank  $n$ . Take the canonical (linear) action of  $G$  on

$$X = \text{Spec } S(V^*) = \mathbb{A}_S^n$$

Suppose that  $x_0 \in X(k) [X(k) \text{ (}k\text{-valued points of } X\text{)} = V \otimes k, \text{ through an } R\text{-algebra homomorphism } R \rightarrow k, k \text{ being a field}]$  is a non-zero  $(G \otimes_R k)$  invariant point. Then

$\exists$  a homogeneous  $G$ -invariant element  $F$  of  $S(V^*)$  of degree  $> 0$  such that  $F(x_0) \neq 0$ .

Proof: By Lemma 1, we see that we can suppose that  $R$  is local, since  $\cancel{R \rightarrow R'}$   $R \rightarrow k$  factors through a local  $R'$ . Now if  $R$  is local, by the structure of reductive group schemes, we can suppose that and  $R \rightarrow R'$  (faithfully) flat such that  $G \otimes_R R'$  is split over  $R'$ . We can then find a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} R & \longrightarrow & R' \\ \downarrow & \swarrow & \downarrow \\ R & \longrightarrow & k' \end{array} \quad k' \text{ a field}$$

Now replacing  $R$  and  $k$  by  $R'$  and  $k'$ , we can suppose that  $G$  is further split over  $R$  (again applying Lemma 1).

Now if  $G$  is split over  $S$ , we have

$G = H \times_{\mathbb{Z}} S$ , where  $H$  is split reductive over  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Then

by Prop. 4, we can find a  $G$ -homomorphism

$$\varphi: V \rightarrow P$$

where  $P$  is the base change by  $S$  of an  $H$ - $\mathbb{Z}$  module

$\mathbb{Q}$ , free of finite rank over  $\mathbb{Z}$  and such that

$$(\varphi \otimes k)(x_0) \neq 0 \quad (x_0 \in X(k) = V(k))$$

~~Note~~: Note we have ( $\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow R \rightarrow k$ )

$$\underset{R}{\mathbb{P} \otimes k} = (\mathbb{Q} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} R) \otimes_R k = \mathbb{Q} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} k$$

so that  $(\varphi \otimes k)(x_0)$  can be identified with  $y_0$ , a non-zero  $H \otimes k$  invariant point of  $\mathbb{Q} \otimes k$ . Obviously, it suffices to find  $F_i \in S(\mathbb{Q}^*)^H$  homogeneous of  $\deg > 0$  such that  $F_i(y_0) \neq 0$ , for the base change of  $F_i$  by  $R$  achieves the purpose.

Thus we can suppose that  $R = \mathbb{Z}$  and  $G$  is split reductive over  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow k$  factors through a discrete valuation ring  $A \rightarrow k$  and by the usual arguments, by taking a suitable  $\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow A$  (flat over  $\mathbb{Z}$ ), we can reduce to the situation where  $A$  is a discrete valuation with an algebraically closed residue field. Thus we can assume that  $G$  is reductive and split over  $R$  where  $R$  is a discrete valuation ring with an algebraically closed residue field.

Now by Prop. 5, we have a canonical  $T$  projection

$$p: R[G] \rightarrow R[G]^T$$

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where we take the action of  $T$  to be the restriction to  $T$  of the right regular  $G$ -action on  $R[G]$ . We have  $R[G]^T = R[G/T]$  (where  $G/T$  is the quotient space of  $G$  modulo  $T$ , this can also be constructed by using the considerations of Prop. 5 etc.) and  $\rho$  becomes a  $G$ -morphism for the canonical left action  $\alpha$  of  $G$  on  $G/T$  and the left regular representation on  $R[G]$ . Then composing with  $\rho$ , we get a  $G$ -homomorphism

$$\psi: V \rightarrow R[G/T]$$

such that  $(\psi \otimes k)(x_0)$  is a  $(G \otimes k)$ -invariant point of  $R[G/T]$  and  $(\psi \otimes k)(x_0) \neq 0$ . Then the proof goes along the same lines as in Chap. I (proof of Theorem 1) and we get a  $G$ -homomorphism

$$\varphi: V \rightarrow W_{mp} \otimes W_{mp} \quad (m \geq 0),$$

( $W_{mp}$  - sections of the line bundle on  $G/B$  associated to  $mp$ ) such that  $(\varphi \otimes k)(x_0) \neq 0$ . If  $\text{char } k = 0$ , from the fact that  $\underline{W}_{mp} \xrightarrow{\sim} (W_{mp} \otimes k)^{(G \otimes k)_{\text{conim}}}$

$$(W_{mp} \otimes k) \xrightarrow{\sim} (W_{mp}^* \otimes k)$$

( $m$  arbitrary if  $\text{char } k = 0$  and  $m = p^d - 1$  if  $\text{char } k = p$ ),

we deduce that

$$W_{mp} \xrightarrow{\sim} W_{mp}^*,$$

$A$  being a discrete valuation with residue field  $k$ . Then

as in Chap. I, the "det" function does the required job, q.e.d.

### §3. Quotient spaces

Let there be given a bilinear action of a reductive group

$G$  over  $S = \text{Spec } R$  on the affine space  $A_S^n$  and let  $X$  be a closed  $G$ -stable subscheme of  $A_S^n$ . Let  $X = \text{Spec } B$ .

Definition 2: A geometric point  $x \in X(k)$  ( $k$  algebraically closed) is semi-stable if the closure (in  $X \otimes k$ ) of the  $G \otimes k$  orbit through  $x$  does not contain  $(0)$ . The geometric point  $x$  is stable if the  $G \otimes k$  orbit through  $x$  is closed and its dimension  $= \dim(G \otimes k)$  (note that  $x$  stable  $\Rightarrow x$  semi-stable if  $\dim(G \otimes k) \geq 1$ ).

Proposition 6: (1) Let  $X, G$  be as in Def. 2 and  $x \in X(k)$  a semi-stable point with  ~~$A_S^n = \text{Spec } S(V^*)$~~ ,  $V^*$  being a  $G$  module, free of finite rank over  $R$ . Then  $\exists F \in S(V^*)^G$  homogeneous of deg  $> 0$  such that  $F(x) \neq 0$ .

(2)  $\exists$  a well-determined open  $G$ -stable subscheme  $X^{ss}$  of  $X$  whose geometric points are precisely the semi-stable points of  $X$ . In fact,  $X - X^{ss}$  is defined by the ideal in  $B$  generated by the homogeneous elements of deg  $> 0$  in  $B^G$  (in fact, the ideal in  $B$  generated by the image of

The canonical homomorphism  $S(V^*)_+^G \rightarrow B_+^G (\subset B^G)$ , defines  $X - X^{ss}$  set theoretically. Here  $S(V^*)_+$  denotes the ideal in  $S(V^*)$  generated by homogeneous elements of degree  $> 0$ .

Proof: It suffices to prove

(3) Let  $x_1, x_2 \in X(k)$  such that if  $O(x_i)$  denote the  $G \otimes k$  orbits in  $X \otimes k$  through  $x_i$ , we have

$$\overline{O(x_1)} \cap \overline{O(x_2)} = \emptyset$$

Then  $\exists F \in S(V^*)^G$  such that  $F(x_1) = 1$  and  $F(x_2) = 0$ .

Proof: It suffices to prove (3). The proof proceeds along the same lines as in Remark 1(a), Chap. I (except here is a minor technical point). Of course we can take  $X = \text{Spec } S(V^*)$  for proving (3). Consider the morphism  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  with

$Y = \text{Spec } S(W)$ ,  $S(W) \hookrightarrow S(V^*)$  as in Remark 1(a).

However, we cannot say that  $Y$  is again an affine space. To get over this difficulty, we can assume that  $G$  is split over  $R$  (by the techniques already employed) and in fact that  $G$  is split and  $R = \mathbb{Z}$  (using Prop. 4 etc.). Then in this case,  $W$  is in fact free (and finitely generated over  $\mathbb{Z}$ ) so that we can write  $W = W_1^*$ ,  $W_1$  dual of  $W$ . Then we see  $Y$  is again an affine space, the geometric point  $x_1$ , maps to  $(0)$  in  $Y$  (by  $f$ ) and  $x_2$  maps to a

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non-zero invariant in  $Y$  and by Th. 1, we are through, q.e.d.

Let now  $V$  be a free  $G$ - $R$  module ( $G$  reductive over  $R$ ) such that  $V$  is free of rank  $(n+1)$  over  $R$ . We take the canonical ~~linear~~ action of  $G$  on  $\mathbb{P}(V) = \text{Proj } S(V^*)$  (projective space with the usual notation, not ~~Grothendieck's~~), called linear action of  $G$  on  $\mathbb{P}(V)$ . Let  $X$  be a closed  $G$ -stable subscheme of  $\mathbb{P}_S^n$  and say  $X = \text{Proj. } B$ , where  $B$  is a graded  $R$ -algebra and quotient of  $S(V^*)$ . We denote by  $\widehat{X}$  the cone <sup>over</sup>  $X$  i.e.  $\widehat{X} = \text{Spec } B$ . We have a canonical action of  $G$  on  $X$ . As in Def. 8 (Chap I), we could refer to this as a linear action of  $G$  on  $(X, \mathbb{P}(V))$  and consider it more intrinsically as an action of  $G$  which on  $X$ , ~~which~~ which lifts to an action  $\sigma$  on the very ample line bundle on  ~~$\mathbb{P}(V)$~~   $X$  coming the ample tautological line bundle on  $\mathbb{P}(V)$ .

Definition 3: With the notations, as above, a geometric point  $x \in X(k)$  is semi-stable (say. stable) if for some  $\widehat{x}$  over  $\widehat{X}(k) - (0)$  ( $(0)$ -vertex of  $\widehat{X}$ ),  $\widehat{x}$  is semi-stable (say. stable) for the action of  $G$  on the affine scheme  $\widehat{X}$ . (One sees that this definition is independent of the choice of  $\widehat{x}$  over  $x$ ).

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Proposition 7: With the notations as in Def. 3 above, we have the following:

(1)  $\exists$  a well-determined  $G$ -stable open subscheme  $X^{ss}$  of  $X$  such that the geometric points of  $X^{ss}$  are precisely the semi-stable points of  $X$ . Besides, if  $T \rightarrow S$  is a morphism, we have

$$(X \times_S T)^{ss} = X^{ss} \times_S T$$

where the LHS denotes the subscheme of semi-stable points for the action  $G \times_S T$

(2) Given a finite number  $x_i$  of semi-stable points of  $X$ ,  $\exists$  a homogeneous  $F \in S(V^*)^G$  of  $\deg > 0$  such that  $F(x_i) \neq 0 \quad \forall i$ .

(3) Given  $x_1, x_2 \in X^{ss}(k)$  ( $k$  algebraically closed), the following are equivalent:

$$(a) \quad \overline{O(x_1)} \cap \overline{O(x_2)} = \emptyset \quad (\text{orbit closures in } X^{ss} \otimes k)$$

$$(b) \quad \exists F \in S(V^*)^G \text{ homogeneous of degree } > 0$$

such that  $F(x_1) \neq 0$  and  $F(x_2) = 0$ . (note that this property is equivalent to saying that if  $\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2 \in \hat{X}(k)$  lie over  $x_1, x_2$  respectively, then  $O(\hat{x}_1) \cap O(\hat{x}_2) = \emptyset$  (orbit closures taken in  $\hat{X} \otimes k$ ).

(c) Let  $f \in S(V^*)^G$  be homogeneous of deg  $> 0$  such that  $f(x_1) \neq 0$  and  $f(x_2) = 0$  and  $X_f$  the  $G$ -stable affine open subscheme of  $X$  of points  $x$  such that  $f(x) \neq 0$ . Then  $\overline{O(x_1)} \cap \overline{O(x_2)} = \emptyset$ , orbit closures taken in  $X_f \otimes k$ .

Proof: The proof follows on the same lines as in Chap.I - and we leave them.

Thus we define stability and semi-stability for geometric points. Now to carry over the results on quotient spaces, the crucial thing that one has to prove is that

if  $\overset{Y}{\mathcal{X}} = \text{Proj } S(V^*)^G$  or  $\text{Proj } B^G$  (or  $X = \text{Spec } B^G$ ),

then  $\overset{Y}{\mathcal{X}}$  is of finite type over  $R$  i.e.  $B^G$  is a finitely generated  $R$ -algebra.

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modulo "the orbit closure equivalence relation" (this is not difficult, as we shall see below). To prove the finite generation of the ring of invariants, we shall outline a method

generation of the ring of invariants, which in the case of a base field seems different from the one given by Nagata.

Our method shows that even if we work over a  $\neq$  base field,

it is good to use "base change" i.e. work over a more general base. Our methods seem more natural.

Remark 1: We have been so far working with affine base schemes for the sake of simplicity. If the base scheme  $S$  is not necessarily affine, we should work with  $\underline{G} \mathcal{O}_S$  where  $\underline{G}$  is a reductive group scheme over  $S$  and ~~a  $\mathbb{G}$~~  with  $G \mathcal{O}_S$  modules  $V$  which are locally free of finite rank over  $S \mathcal{O}_S$ . We take the canonical action of  $G$  on the projective bundle  $\mathbb{P}(V)$  and define semi-stable and stable points for geometric points etc.

Now the crucial property is the following:

(rather proceeding it)

Proposition 8: We take the notations as in Def. 3 above. Then " $X^{\text{ss}}$  mod  $G$  is proper" i.e. if

$$f: X^{\text{ss}} \rightarrow Z \quad (Z \text{ separated of finite type over } S = \text{Spec } R)$$

is a dominant,  $G$ -invariant  $S$ -morphism ( $G$ -invariance means that  $f$  is a  $G$ -morphism for the trivial action of  $G$  on  $Z$ ), then  $f$  is surjective (it follows that if  $Z$  is quasi-projective or can be embedded in something proper, then  $Z$  is projective or proper over  $S$ ).

Remark (Note that the above property should be a posteriori true if we expect the results of Chap. I to carry through, for if  $R = k$  (field), then  $f$  factors through  $Y = \text{Proj } B^G$  since  $X^{\text{ss}} \rightarrow Y$  is a categorical quotient and  $Y$  being projective, it follows that  $f$  is surjective).

Proof We shall now outline the proof which is quite simple intuitively. The first idea is that if we base change by  $Z \rightarrow S$ , we are reduced to the case when of proving the proposition when  $Z = S$  i.e. when  $f$  is the structure morphism. Let us first assume that this reduction. Then surjectivity means that if the generic fibre of  $X^{ss} \rightarrow S$  (say  $S$  is irreducible) is non-empty, then the closed fibre is also non-empty. Now to prove this assertion, by the usual techniques we can also suppose that  $R$  is a discrete valuation ring. Let  $K$  be the quotient field of  $R$  and  $k$  the residue field. Since

~~$X^{ss}(K)$~~  ( $\bar{K}$  algebraic closure of  $K$ ), we see (by Th-1) that

$\exists F \in (B \otimes_R K)^{G \otimes K}$  homogeneous of  $\deg > 0$  such that

$X^{ss}(\bar{K}) \neq \emptyset$  ( $\bar{K}$  algebraic closure of  $K$ ), we see that

$\exists F \in (B \otimes_R K)^{G \otimes K}$  such that  $F \neq 0$  and

$F$  is homogeneous of  $\deg > 0$ . Now if  $\pi$  is the local uniformizer of  $R$ , multiplying  $F$  by a power of  $\pi$ , we

can suppose that  $F \in B^G$ . Now  $F \in B_d^G \hookrightarrow B_d$

(elements of  $\deg d$  of the graded ring  $B$ ,  $d > 0$ ). Now

$B_d$  is a free  $R$ -module of finite rank over  $R$ . Let

$\bar{F}$  denote the canonical image of  $F$  in

$$\bar{B} = B \otimes_R^k = \bigoplus (B_d \otimes_R^k) = \bigoplus \bar{B}_d \quad (25)$$

$$\bar{B}_d = B_d \otimes k.$$

Again multiplying by a suitable power of  $\pi$ , we can suppose that  $\bar{F} \not\equiv 0$  i.e. we have produced a non-trivial invariant ( $\bar{F} \subset \bar{B}_d^G$ ,  $d > 0$ ) in  $\bar{B}$  so that  $X^{ss}(k) \neq \emptyset$ .

Thus it remains only to prove the assertion that we can reduce to the case  $Z = S$ . For this consider the graph morphism of  $f$

$$\Gamma_f : X^{ss} \longrightarrow X^{ss} \times_S Z$$

Let  $H$  be the group scheme  $G \times_{S^G}^{\text{schwartz}}$  over  $Z$ ,

$$H = G \times_S Z$$

acting on  $X^{ss} \times_S Z$  by base change of the action  $\alpha^G$  on  $X^{ss}$ . We claim that we have a canonical action of  $H$  on  $X^{ss}$  (considered as a scheme over  $Z$  by  $f$ )

such that  $\Gamma_f$  is an  $H$ -morphism. This is intuitively obviously and easily proved. It is in fact a general assertion regarding  $G$ -invariant morphisms. We have this.

We have then canonical morphisms

$$X^{ss} \xrightarrow{\Gamma_f} X^{ss} \times_S Z \xrightarrow{i} X \times_S Z \xrightarrow{j} \mathbb{P}_S^n \times_S Z$$

where  $\Gamma_f$  and  $j$  are closed immersions. We have

$$(X \times_S Z)^{ss} = (X^{ss} \times_S Z). \quad (\text{by Prop. 7, (1)}) \quad (26)$$

Let  $W$  be the closure of  $X^{ss}$  in  $X \times_S Z$  (closed subscheme structure extending  $\Gamma_f$ ). Suppose that the action of  $G$  on  $X^{ss}$  extends to  $W$  so that  $W$  is a closed  $G$ -stable subscheme of  $X \times_S Z$ . Then we see easily that

$$W^{ss} = X^{ss}$$

~~(for  $W^{ss} = W \cap (X^{ss} \times_S Z)$ )~~

This reduces to the case  $R \otimes Z = S$ . Now extension of the action of  $G$  to  $W$  can be achieved, if necessary, by going  $W$  red, q.e.d.

Proposition 9: With the notations and preceding Def. 3, we have the following: We can find a filtration  $P_i$  of  $B^G$  by graded subalgebras of finite type over  $R$

$$\bigcup_i P_i = B^G, \quad P_i \subset P_{i+1}$$

such that if  $Y_i = \text{Proj } P_i$  and

$$\gamma'_i: X \rightarrow Y_i, \quad \delta_i: Y_i \rightarrow Y_{i+1}, \quad \delta_0: Y_{i+1} \rightarrow Y_i$$

the canonical rational morphisms induced, respectively, by the inclusions (of graded algebras)

$$P_i \subset B, \quad P_i \subset P_{i+1}, \quad \text{we have}$$

(a) If  $i$ ,  $\gamma'_i$  is a morphism in  $X^{ss}$ , set  $\gamma_i = \gamma'_i/X^s$ .

Further all  $\Phi_i$  are morphisms

- (b)  $\forall i, \Phi_i$  induces a bijection of  $Y_i(k)$  ( $k$ -algebraically closed) with  $X^{ss}(k)$  modulo the equivalence relation

$$x_1 \sim x_2 \iff \overline{\mathcal{O}(x_1)} \cap \overline{\mathcal{O}(x_2)} \neq \emptyset$$

(orbit closures in  $X^{ss} \otimes k$ )

- (c)  $B^G$  is integral over  $P_i(\mathbb{A}_i)$ ; in fact  $P_i \otimes \mathbb{A}_i$  is integral over  $P_i(\mathbb{A}_i)$ .

- (d) If  $Z$  is a closed  $G$ -stable subscheme of  $Z^{ss}$ ,  $\gamma_i(Z)$  is closed in  $Y_i$ ; further, if  $Z_1, Z_2$  are disjoint closed  $G$ -stable subschemes of  $X^{ss}$ , we have

$$\gamma_i(Z_1) \cap \gamma_i(Z_2) = \emptyset, \forall i.$$

Proof: The first point is to note that  $\exists$  a finite number,  $F_1, \dots, F_n \in B_+^G$  and homogeneous such that given any  $x \in X^{ss}(k)$  ( $k$ -algebraically closed)  $\exists$  some  $F_i$  such that  $F_i(x) \neq 0$ ; besides given  $\overset{\text{any}}{x_1, x_2} \in X^{ss}(k)$  which are not equivalent under the relation in (b),  $\exists$  some  $F_j$  such that

$F_j(x_1) \neq 0$  and  $F_j(x_2) = 0$ . To see this, let  $I$  be the graded ideal in  $B \otimes_R B$  generated by elements of the form

$$(f \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes f), f \in B_+^G, \text{ homogeneous.}$$

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and  $\Gamma$  the closed subscheme of  $X \times_S X$  defined by  $I$ . Then by Prop. 7, we see that  $(x_1, x_2) \in (X \times_S X)(k)$  is not in  $\Gamma(k)$  if and only if

(i) either one of them, say  $x_1 \in X^{ss}(k)$  and  $x_2 \in (X - X^{ss})(k)$ ; or

(ii) both  $x_1, x_2 \in X^{ss}(k)$ , but

$$\overline{O(x_1)} \cap \overline{O(x_2)} = \emptyset \text{ (orbit closures in } X^{ss}(k))$$

Since  $B \otimes_R B$  is Noetherian ( $B$  an algebra of finite type over  $R$ ,  $R$  Noetherian),  $\exists F_i \in B_+^G$ , homogeneous ( $1 \leq i \leq k$ ) such that  $(F_i \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes F_i)$  generate the ideal  $I$ . It follows then that if  $(x_1, x_2)$  satisfying (i) or (ii) above,  $\exists$  some  $F_i$  such that

$$F_i(x_1) \neq 0, F_i(x_2) = 0$$

Thus we have found the required  $F_1, \dots, F_r$ .

Let  $P_1$  be the graded subalgebra of  $B^G$  generated by  $F_1, \dots, F_r$ . Choose now any filtration of  $B^G$  by finitely generated  $R$ -algebras  $P_i$ , all containing  $P_1$

$$\bigcup_{i \geq 1} P_i = B^G; \quad P_1 \subset P_2 \subset P_3 \subset \dots \subset P_i \subset P_{i+1}$$

Let  $Y_i = \text{Proj. } P_i$  and  ~~$y_1, y_2$~~  Then  $Y_i'$  is the

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canonical rational morphism  $\gamma_i': X \rightarrow Y_i$ , we see that

$\gamma_i'$  is a morphism in  $X^{\text{ss}}$ . Let  $\gamma_i = \gamma_i' | X^{\text{ss}}$ . Then by Prop. 8,  $\gamma_i$  is surjective [ $\gamma_i$  being dominant, and  $G$ -equivariant]. It is now clear that the property (b) of the Proposition follows, as well as:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X^{\text{ss}} & & \text{$\delta_i$ is a bijective morphism} \\ \downarrow \gamma_i & \searrow \gamma_{i+1} & \\ Y_i & \xleftarrow{\delta_i} & Y_{i+1} \end{array}$$

Since  $Y_i$  are projective, the bijective morphism  $\delta_i$  is in fact a finite morphism. It follows that  $P_{i+1}$  is integral over  $P_i$  etc. q.e.d.

Corollary 1: Assume that  $R$  is universally Japanese, and  $B$  is an integral domain. Then  $B^G$  is an  $R$ -algebra of finite type. (A ring  $A$  is said to be universally Japanese, if it is a Noetherian domain such that if  $A'$  is any domain which is an  $A$ -algebra of finite type, the integral closure of  $A'$  in a finite extension of the quotient field.

We denote by  $\gamma = \gamma_i$  the canonical morphism  $\gamma: X \rightarrow Y_i$  of  $A'$  is an  $A'$ -module of finite type). In particular  $B^G = \text{some } P_i$ .

Proof: Now  $P_i$  is a domain and being of finite type over  $R$  is also universally Japanese. Let  $L_1$  be the quotient field of  $P_i$ ,  $L_2$  that of  $B^G$  and  $L_3$  that of  $B$  ( $L_1 \subset L_2 \subset L_3$ ).

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Since  $B^G$  is of finite type over  $R$ , it follows that  $L_3$  is of finite type over  $L_1$ , and hence  $L_2$  is of finite type over  $L_1$ . Since  $B^G$  is integral over  $P_1$ , it follows that  $L_2$  is algebraic over  $L_1$ , so that it follows that  $L_2$  is a finite extension of  $L_1$ . Hence the integral closure  $Q$  of  $P_1$  in  $B^G$  is a  $P_1$ -module of finite type and since  $B^G \subset Q$ ,  $B^G$  is a  $P_1$ -module of finite type. This implies that  $B^G$  is an  $R$ -algebra of finite type.

Corollary 2: Let  $f \in B^G$  be homogeneous of deg  $\geq 0$ . and  $B$  an integral domain with  $R$  of finite type over a uniserial ring. Then the canonical morphism (of affine schemes)

$$\gamma_f: X_f \rightarrow Y_f \quad (Y = \text{Proj } B^G)$$

is surjective,  $Y_f$  is of finite type over  $\mathbb{P} S$  and  $\gamma_f$  has properties (b) and (d) of the Proposition.

Proof: This is an immediate consequence of Cor 1.

Corollary 3: Let  $G$  act on  $A_S^n = \text{Spec } S(V^*)$ , where

$V$  is a  $G$ - $R$  module, free of rank  $n$  over  $R$ . Let

$X_1$  be a closed  $G$ -stable subscheme of  $A_S^n$  with

$X_1 = \text{Spec } B_1$  ( $B_1$  not necessarily graded). Suppose that  $B_1$  is a domain and  $R$  is of finite type over a

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a universally Japanese ring, Then  $B_i^G$  is an  $R$ -algebra of finite type and the canonical morphism  $\chi_i: X_i \rightarrow Y_i (= \operatorname{Spec} B_i^G)$  is surjective and it has the properties (b) and (c) of the Proposition.

Proof: Now consider the  $G$ -module  $W = V \oplus R$ , where  $G$  acts trivially on  $R$ . Let  $f$  be the element in  $W^*$  such that  $f|_V$  given by  $f: W \rightarrow R$  such that  $f(V) = 0$  and  $f|R = \text{Identity}$ . Then  $f \in (W^*)^G$  and we have

$$\operatorname{TP}(W)_f = A_S^n = \operatorname{Spec} S(V^*)$$

and then we reduce easily to Cor. 2, q.e.d.

Theorem 2: Let  $G$  be a reductive group scheme over  $S = \operatorname{Spec} R$ ,  $R$  being of finite type over a universally Japanese ring. We are given a linear action of  $G$  on  $A_S^n$  and a closed  $G$ -stable subscheme  $X = \operatorname{Spec} B$  of  $A_S^n$ . Let  $M$  be a  $G$ - $B$  module of finite type over  $B$  (i.e. a coherent  $G$ - $\mathcal{O}_X$  module). Then we have

- (i)  $Y = \operatorname{Spec} B^G$  is of finite type over  $S$  i.e.  $B^G$  is an  $R$ -algebra of finite type
- (ii)  $M^G$  is a  $B^G$  module of finite type
- (iii) the canonical morphism  $\varphi: X \rightarrow Y$

induced by  $B^G \hookrightarrow B$  is surjective and it has the properties (b) and (d) of Prop. 9.

Proof: We have only to prove (i) and (ii). For this since we can consider  $M$  canonically as an  $S(V^*)$ -module, it suffices to consider the case  $B = S(V^*)$ . In this case (i.e.  $B = S(V^*)$ ) we see that proving (i) and (ii) are equivalent to proving that  $M^G$  is a Noetherian  $B^G$ -module, for in particular,  $B^G$  is a Noetherian module over itself and being graded, it follows that it is of finite type over  $R$ .

The proof is by a "descendage" argument (or Noetherian induction). We have seen (Cor. 3, Prop. 9)

that if  $C$  is a quotient of  $B = S(V^*)$  and is a domain  $C^G$  is an  $R$ -algebra of finite type.

Let  $M$  be the category of  $G$ - $B$  modules of finite type over  $B$  such that  $M^G$  is Noetherian over  $B^G$ . Then we see easily the following:

- (i)  $M \in M$  and  $N$  a  $G$ - $B$  submodule of  $M$ , then  $N \in M$ .
- (ii) if  $0 \rightarrow M_1 \rightarrow M_2 \rightarrow M_3 \rightarrow 0$  is an exact sequence of  $G$ - $B$ , then we have

$$M_1, M_3 \in M \Rightarrow M_2 \in M$$

(for  $0 \rightarrow M_1^G \rightarrow M_2^G \rightarrow M_3^G$  is exact).

We have only to show that

$M = \text{category of all } G\text{-}B\text{ modules of finite type over } B$

Let then  $M$  be a  $G\text{-}B$  module of finite type over  $B$ .

For proving the above equality, we can assume the (Noetherian) induction hypothesis, that if  $N$  is any  $G\text{-}B$  module of finite type over  $B$  such that

$$\text{Supp } N \ (\text{Support of } N) \subsetneq \text{Supp } M$$

(support in the sense of  $B$  modules)

then  $N \in M$ . Let  $I = \text{Ann } M$  (as a  $B$ -module).

Then  $I$  is a  $G$ -stable ideal in  $B$  and  $C = B/I$

is a  $G\text{-}R$  algebra and  $M$  is canonically a  $G\text{-}C$  module  
(Cor., Prop. 2)

We show now that  $M \in M$  if  $C$  is a domain.

If  $T(M)$  is the torsion submodule of  $M$ , we have

$$0 \rightarrow T(M) \rightarrow M \rightarrow M/T(M) \rightarrow 0, \text{ exact}$$

Now by the induction hypothesis  $T(M) \in M$ ; hence it suffices to show that the torsion free  $C$ -module ~~is in  $M$~~  is in  $M$ .  $M/T(M)$  is dir  $M$ . Suppose then  $M$  is f-torsion free. If  $M^G = 0$ , there is nothing to prove.

Suppose then  $M^G \neq 0$ . Then the map

$$C \rightarrow M, x \mapsto x \cdot m, m \in M^G, m \neq 0$$

is an injective  $G\text{-}B$  homomorphism. Then

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Consider

$$0 \rightarrow C \rightarrow M \rightarrow M/C \rightarrow 0$$

Now the rank or the support support of  $M/C$  drops and  $C \in M$ . Hence by our induction hypothesis  $M \in M$ .

Then by a simple argument, we show that  $M \in M$  if  $C$  is reduced. For the general case, let

$$J = \text{Ker } C \rightarrow \text{Cred}$$

We have  $J^8 = 0$  and we have a filtration

We have seen  $J^n$  are  $G$ -stable ideals in  $C$  (Cor.,

Prop. 2). This implies that  $J^n M$  are  $G$ - $C$  submodules of  $M$ , since  $J^n M$  is the image under the  $G$ - $R$  homomorphism (Prop. 2)

$$J^n \otimes_R M \longrightarrow M$$

We have then a filtration of  $G$ - $C$  modules:

$$M \supset J M \supset J^2 M \supset \dots \supset J^8 M \quad (J^8 M = 0 \text{ for some } n).$$

Now  $M/JM$  and  $JM/J^2 M$  are modules over

$C/J = \text{Cred}$  and hence they are in  $M$ . Then it follows easily that  $M \in M$ , q.e.d.

Theorem 3: Let  $G$  be a reductive group scheme acting over  $S = \text{Spec } R$  with  $R$  of finite type over a universally Japanese ring. Let  $V$  be a  $G$ - $R$  module, free of finite rank over  $R$  ( $n+1$ ) over  $R$ . Let  $X$  be a

Closed  $G$ -stable subscheme of  $\mathbb{P}_S^n = \text{Proj } S(V^*)$ , with  
 $X = \text{Proj } B$  ( $B$  graded quotient of  $S(V^*)$ ). Let

$Y = \text{Proj } B^G$  and  $\varphi' : X \rightarrow Y$  the canonical  
rational morphism induced by  $B^G \hookrightarrow B$ . Then we have

(i)  $\varphi'$  is a morphism in  $X^{ss}$ , denote  $\varphi = \varphi'$ .

(ii)  $\varphi$  is surjective

(iii)  $Y$  is of finite type over  $S$ .

(iv) The morphism  $\varphi : X^{ss} \rightarrow Y$  satisfies the  
properties (b) and (d) of Prop. 9.

Proof: By Th. 2,  $Y$  is of finite type over  $S$ . The  
other properties now follow by our now familiar  
arguments.

Remark 2': It can be shown easily that the morphism  
 $\varphi$  in Th. 2 and Th. 3 are categorical quotients. However

it need not be a universal categorical quotient

i.e. say for the morphism  $\varphi : X \rightarrow Y$ , & base change  $Y' \xrightarrow{f} Y$ ,

$X \times_Y Y' \xrightarrow{g} Y'$  need not be a categorical quotient. If

$R$  contains a field of characteristic zero,  $\varphi$  is a  
universal categorical quotient, however even if

$R = \text{field of char } > 0$ ,  $\varphi$  need not be a universal  
categorical quotient.