

On p -equations and normal extensions of finite p -type I

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§ 1. Introduction. Let p be a prime number and Δ be a field of characteristic p . Let Δ' be the separable closure of Δ and G_{Δ} be the galois group of Δ'/Δ . We mean by a *Witt vector* with coefficients in Δ' an infinite ordered set $(\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots)$ of elements α_ν ($\nu=0, 1, 2, \dots$) in Δ' . Putting $\mathbf{0}=(0, 0, \dots)$, $\mathbf{1}=(1, 0, 0, \dots)$, $\mathbf{p}=(0, 1, 0, \dots)$ and $\mathbf{p}^\nu=(\overbrace{0, \dots, 0}^\nu, 1, 0, \dots)$, we write $\sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} \alpha_\nu \mathbf{p}^\nu$ instead of $(\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots)$. E. Witt introduced the sum, the difference and the product of two Witt vectors $\sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} \beta_\nu \mathbf{p}^\nu$ and $\sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} \gamma_\nu \mathbf{p}^\nu$ by means of a system of infinite polynomials $\Phi_{\pm, \nu}(X_0, \dots, X_{\nu-1}, Y_0, \dots, Y_{\nu-1})$ with coefficients in the prime field $GF(p)$ as follows: $(\sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} \alpha_\nu \mathbf{p}^\nu) \pm (\sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} \beta_\nu \mathbf{p}^\nu) = \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} \gamma_{\pm, \nu} \mathbf{p}^\nu$,

$$(1) \quad \gamma_{\pm, \nu} = \alpha_\nu \pm \beta_\nu + \Phi_{\pm, \nu}(\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_{\nu-1}; \beta_0, \dots, \beta_{\nu-1}),$$

$$(2) \quad \gamma_{\cdot, \nu} = \alpha_0 \beta_\nu + \alpha_\nu \beta_0 + \Phi_{\cdot, \nu}(\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_{\nu-1}; \beta_0, \dots, \beta_{\nu-1}).^{1)}$$

By mean of these operations all the Witt vectors with coefficients in Δ' forms a commutative integral domain $\mathcal{W}_{\Delta'}$. We call $\mathcal{W}_{\Delta'}$ the *ring of Witt vectors with coefficients in Δ'* . The ring \mathcal{W}_{Δ} of Witt vectors with coefficients in Δ is naturally embedded in $\mathcal{W}_{\Delta'}$. Since the ring \mathcal{Z}_p of p -adic integers is canonically isomor-

1) See [1] p.p. 126-128.

phic to the ring of Witt vectors with coefficients in the prime field $GF(p)$, we may consider Z_p as a subring of $W_{A'}$. We denote by $K_{A'}$ (resp. K_A) the quotient field of $W_{A'}$ (resp. W_A), then we may consider $K_{A'}$ as the field of p -series $\{\sum_{v=-n}^{\infty} \alpha_v p^v \mid \alpha \in A'\}$ with finite negative terms. The field \mathbf{Q}_p of p -adic numbers is also regarded as a subfield of $K_{A'}$.

We shall identify the galois group of $K_{A'}/K_A$ with the galois group G_A of A'/A in the following mean: $(\sum_{v=-n}^{\infty} \alpha_v p^v)^\sigma = \sum_{v=-n}^{\infty} \alpha_v^\sigma p^v$ ($\sigma \in G_A$), and consider $K_{A'}$ (resp. $W_{A'}$) as a $\mathbf{Q}_p[G_A]$ -module (resp. $Z_p[G_A]$ -module), where we mean by galois automorphisms the continuous automorphisms in p -adic topology. We denote by \mathfrak{p} the meromorphism of $K_{A'}$ defined by

$$(3) \quad \left(\sum_{v=-n}^{\infty} \alpha_v p^v \right)^{\mathfrak{p}} = \sum_{v=-n}^{\infty} \alpha_v^{\mathfrak{p}} p^v$$

and mean by a \mathfrak{p} -equation with coefficients in K_A (resp. W_A) an equation $\sum_{v=0}^n \alpha_v X^{p^v} = 0$ with coefficients α_v in K_A (resp. W_A). The solutions in $K_{A'}$ of a non-zero \mathfrak{p} -equation $f(X) = 0$ with coefficients in K_A form a \mathbf{Q}_p -finite-dimensional $\mathbf{Q}_p[G_A]$ -submodule V_f in $K_{A'}$ and conversely each \mathbf{Q}_p -finite-dimensional $\mathbf{Q}_p[G_A]$ -submodule V in $K_{A'}$ is uniquely expressed as the module of solutions V_φ of a \mathfrak{p} -equation $\varphi(X) = 0$ such that 1° the coefficients belong to W_A , 2° the coefficient of the highest term is 1, 3° the coefficient of X (the lowest term) is not congruent to zero modulo pW_A . The correspondence between \mathbf{Q}_p -finite-dimensional $\mathbf{Q}_p[G_A]$ -submodules in $K_{A'}$ and \mathfrak{p} -equations satisfying the conditions 1°, 2°, 3° is one-to-one (Theorem 1). For a \mathbf{Q}_p -finite-dimensional $\mathbf{Q}_p[G_A]$ -submodule V in $K_{A'}$ we denote by $(\sum_{v=0}^{\infty} \xi_{nv} p^v, \dots, \sum_{v=0}^{\infty} \xi_{nv} p^v)$ a Z_p -base of the intersection $V \cap W_{A'}$, by $\Gamma_V = \{M_V(\sigma) \in GL(n, Z_p) \mid \sigma \in G_A\}$ the representation of G_A by mean of the base and by $\Gamma_V(p^v)$ the subgroup $\{M \in \Gamma_V \mid M \text{ identity mod } p^v\}$. then the galois groups of the normal extensions $K_A(\xi_{1,0}, \dots, \xi_{n,0}, \sum_{i=0}^1 \xi_{i1} p^i, \dots, \sum_{i=0}^1 \xi_{ni1} p^i, \dots, \sum_{i=0}^{v-1} \xi_{i1} p^i, \dots,$

$\sum_{l=0}^{\nu-1} \xi_{nl} \mathfrak{p}' / K_{\mathcal{A}}$ and $\Delta(\xi_{1,0}, \dots, \xi_{n,0}, \dots, \xi_{1,\nu-1}, \dots, \xi_{n,\nu-1}) / \Delta$ are canonically isomorphic to $\Gamma_{\nu} / \Gamma_{\nu}(\mathfrak{p}^{\nu})$. We put $K_{\mathcal{A}}(V) = \bigcup_{\nu=1}^{\infty} K_{\mathcal{A}}(\xi_{1,0}, \dots, \xi_{n,0}, \dots, \xi_{1,\nu-1} \mathfrak{p}', \dots, \xi_{n,\nu-1} \mathfrak{p}', \dots, \sum_{l=0}^{\nu-1} \xi_{1l} \mathfrak{p}', \dots, \sum_{l=0}^{\nu-1} \xi_{nl} \mathfrak{p}', \dots, \sum_{l=0}^{\nu-1} \xi_{1l} \mathfrak{p}', \dots, \sum_{l=0}^{\nu-1} \xi_{nl} \mathfrak{p}')$ and call $K_{\mathcal{A}}(V) / K_{\mathcal{A}}$ and $\Delta(V) / \Delta$ normal extensions of finite \mathfrak{p} -type.

If a $K_{\mathcal{A}}[G_{\mathcal{A}}]$ -module \mathfrak{p} has a $K_{\mathcal{A}}$ -base (ξ_1, \dots, ξ_n) such that the coefficients of the representation $\{M(\sigma) | \sigma \in G_{\mathcal{A}}\}$ defined by $(\xi_1^{\sigma}, \dots, \xi_n^{\sigma}) = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n) M(\sigma)$ ($\sigma \in G_{\mathcal{A}}$) belong to a finite algebraic extension of $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathfrak{p}}$, we call \mathfrak{B} a $K_{\mathcal{A}}[G_{\mathcal{A}}]$ -module of finite \mathfrak{p} -type. We shall determine the structure of the $K_{\mathcal{A}}[G_{\mathcal{A}}]$ -submodule of $K_{\mathcal{A}'}$ which is the union of all semi-simple $K_{\mathcal{A}}[G_{\mathcal{A}}]$ -modules of finite \mathfrak{p} -type in $K_{\mathcal{A}'}$. The results (Theorem 3) is a partial generalization of the existence theorem of normal base for a finite normal extension.²⁾

§ 2. \mathfrak{p} -Wronskians.

As an analogy in theory of differential equation we shall define Wronskian and give a criterion of linear independency over $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathfrak{p}}$. We mean by the \mathfrak{p} -Wronskian of a system (ξ_1, \dots, ξ_n) of quantities ξ_1, \dots, ξ_n the determinant

$$W_{\mathfrak{p}}(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n) = \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 & \dots & \xi_n \\ \xi_1^{\mathfrak{p}} & \dots & \xi_n^{\mathfrak{p}} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \xi_1^{\mathfrak{p}^{n-1}} & \dots & \xi_n^{\mathfrak{p}^{n-1}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proposition 1. *Let ξ_1, \dots, ξ_n be elements in $K_{\mathcal{A}'}$. Then ξ_1, \dots, ξ_n are linearly independent over $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ if and only if $W_{\mathfrak{p}}(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n) \neq 0$ ³⁾.*

Proof. From the definition of \mathfrak{p} it follows that an element in $K_{\mathcal{A}'}$ is fixed by \mathfrak{p} if and only if it belongs to $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathfrak{p}}$. This shows that if ξ_1, \dots, ξ_n are linearly dependent over $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ the \mathfrak{p} -Wronskian $W_{\mathfrak{p}}(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)$ is zero. We shall prove the converse by the induction

2) In Part II we shall treat the analogy for \mathfrak{p} -equations of Riemann's-problem for linear differential equations and shall determine the structure of the union of all semi-simple $K_{\mathcal{A}}[G_{\mathcal{A}}]$ -submodules of finite \mathfrak{p} -type in $K_{\mathcal{A}'}$.

3) Replacing \mathfrak{p} by \mathfrak{p}^r and $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ by the unramified extension of degree r over $\mathbb{Q}_{\mathfrak{p}}$, we have the same result for \mathfrak{p}^r -Wronskian as \mathfrak{p} -Wronskians.

on n . Assume the result for $n-1$ and $\xi_1 \neq 0$. Suppose $W_p(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n) = 0$. Then it follows

$$\begin{aligned} W_p(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n) &= \xi_1^{1+p+\dots+p^{n-1}} \begin{pmatrix} 1, \xi_2 \xi_1^{-1}, \dots, \xi_n \xi_1^{-1} \\ 1, (\xi_2 \xi_1^{-1})^p, \dots, (\xi_n \xi_1^{-1})^p \\ 1, (\xi_2 \xi_1^{-1})^{p^{n-1}}, \dots, (\xi_n \xi_1^{-1})^{p^{n-1}} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \xi_1^{1+p+\dots+p^{n-1}} \begin{pmatrix} 1, \xi_2 \xi_1^{-1}, \dots, \xi_n \xi_1^{-1} \\ 0, (\xi_2 \xi_1^{-1})^p - \xi_2 \xi_1^{-1}, \dots, (\xi_n \xi_1^{-1})^p - \xi_n \xi_1^{-1} \\ 0, ((\xi_2 \xi_1^{-1})^p - \xi_2 \xi_1^{-1})^p, \dots, ((\xi_n \xi_1^{-1})^p - \xi_n \xi_1^{-1})^p \\ \vdots \\ 0, (((\xi_2 \xi_1^{-1})^p - \xi_2 \xi_1^{-1})^{p^{n-2}}), \dots, (((\xi_n \xi_1^{-1})^p - \xi_n \xi_1^{-1})^{p^{n-2}}) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, by virtue of the assumption of the induction, there are elements a_2, \dots, a_n of Q_p which are not all zero such that $\sum_{i=2}^n a_i((\xi_i \xi_1^{-1})^p - \xi_i \xi_1^{-1}) = 0$, and thus $(\sum_{i=2}^n a_i \xi_i \xi_1^{-1})^p = \sum_{i=2}^n a_i \xi_i \xi_1^{-1}$. This shows that $\sum_{i=2}^n a_i \xi_i \xi_1^{-1}$ equals to element, say $-a_1$, in Q_p . Namely these we a_1, \dots, a_n in Q_p which are not all zero $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \xi_i = 0$. For $n=1$ the result is obviously true, hence we complete the proof of Proposition 1.

We mean by the p -Wronskian of a system (ξ_1, \dots, ξ_n) of elements ξ_1, \dots, ξ_n the determinant:

$$W_p(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n) = \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 & \dots & \xi_n \\ \xi_1^p & \dots & \xi_n^p \\ \xi_1^{p^{n-1}} & \dots & \xi_n^{p^{n-1}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then by replacing p by p we have the following the analogous results as Proposition 1 by the completely same reason.

Proposition 1'. *Let ξ_1, \dots, ξ_n be elements in \mathcal{A}' . Then ξ_1, \dots, ξ_n are linearly independent over the prime field $GF(p)$ if and only if $W_p(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n) \neq 0$.*

§ 3. Non-commutative p -polynomials and $Q_p[G_{\mathcal{A}}]$ -submodules in $K_{\mathcal{A}'}$.

We denote by $K_{\mathcal{A}} \langle t \rangle$ (resp. $W_{\mathcal{A}} \langle t \rangle$) the ring of non-commuta-

tive polynomials in t with coefficients in K_d (resp. W_d) with the law of multiplication: $ta = a^p t$, $t^\mu t^\nu = t^{\mu+\nu}$ ($a \in K_d$; $\mu, \nu > 0$). We call elements in $K_d \langle t \rangle$ non-commutative p -polynomials with coefficients in K_d and mean by the rank of a non-commutative p -polynomial f the highest degree in t in f . We denote by rank f the rank of f . Each element $f = \sum_{v=0}^n a_v t^v$ in $K_v \langle t \rangle$ acts on $K_{d'}$ in the following way: $f(\xi) = (\sum_{v=0}^n a_v t^v)(\xi) = \sum_{v=0}^n a_v \xi^{p^v}$. For each p -equation $f(X) = \sum_{v=0}^n a_v X^{p^v} = 0$ we mean by f the non-commutative p -polynomial $\sum_{v=0}^n a_v t^v$.

Lemma 1. *Let V be a \mathbb{Q}_p -finite-dimensional \mathbb{Q}_p -vector subspace in $K_{d'}$ and (ξ_1, \dots, ξ_n) be a \mathbb{Z}_p -base of the intersection $V \cap W_{d'}$ regarded as a \mathbb{Z}_p -module. Then $W_p(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)$ is a unit in $W_{d'}^{(4)}$.*

Proof. Assume ξ_1, \dots, ξ_r are linearly independent modulo $p(W_{d'} \cap V)$ and ξ_{r+1}, \dots, ξ_n are linearly dependent on ξ_1, \dots, ξ_r modulo $p(W_{d'} \cap V)$. Obviously $1 \leq r \leq n$. Suppose for a moment $r \leq n$. Then there exist elements $a_1, \dots, a_r, b_1, \dots, b_n$ in \mathbb{Z}_p such that $a_1 \xi_1 + \dots + a_r \xi_r - \xi_n = p(b_1 \xi_1 + \dots + b_r \xi_r)$. Since ξ_1, \dots, ξ_n are linearly independent over \mathbb{Z}_p , we have $a_1 = pb_1, \dots, a_r = pb_r, b_{r+1} = \dots = b_{n-1} = 0$ and $1 + pb_n = 0$. This is contradiction, because $1 \not\equiv 0 \pmod p$. This shows ξ_1, \dots, ξ_n are linearly independent modulo $p(W_{d'} \cap V)$. Since $p(W_{d'} \cap V) = pW_{d'} \cap V$ and $W_{d'}/pW_{d'}$ is canonically isomorphic to Δ' , by virtue of Proposition 1' we have $W_p(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n) \not\equiv 0 \pmod pW_{d'}$. This proves Lemma 1.

Proposition 2. *Let V be a \mathbb{Q}_p -finite-dimensional $\mathbb{Q}_p[G_d]$ -module in $K_{d'}$ and (ξ_1, \dots, ξ_n) be a \mathbb{Q}_p -base of V . Put $f_V(X) = (-1)^n W_p(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)^{-1} W_p(X, \xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)$. Then the non-commutative p -polynomial $f_V^{(5)}$ is an element in $W_d \langle t \rangle$ with the properties 1° f_V does not depend on the choice of \mathbb{Q}_p -base, 2° the highest coefficient equals 1, 3° the constant term is $(-1)^n W_p(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)^{p-1}$ and $\equiv 0 \pmod pW_d^{(6)}$.*

Proof. First we shall prove the independence of f_V on the

4), 6) The situation is the same as 3).

5) f_V is the non-commutative p -polynomial associated with the p -equation $f_V(X) = 0$.

choice of the \mathbf{Q}_p -base of V . Let A be any non-singular $n \times n$ matrix with coefficients in \mathbf{Q}_p and put $(\eta_1, \dots, \eta_n) = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)A$. Then it follows

$$\begin{aligned} & (-1)^n W_p(\eta_1, \dots, \eta_n)^{-1} W_p(X, \eta_1, \dots, \eta_n) \\ &= (-1)^n |A^{-1}| W_p(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)^{-1} W_p(X, \xi_1, \dots, \xi_n) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & A \end{vmatrix} \\ &= (-1)^n W_p(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)^{-1} W_p(X, \xi_1, \dots, \xi_n) \end{aligned}$$

This proves the independence of f_V on the choice of the \mathbf{Q}_p -base. Since for every σ in G_d $(\xi_1^\sigma, \dots, \xi_n^\sigma)$ is also a \mathbf{Q}_p -base of V and K_d is the subfield of $K_{d'}$ consisting of all the elements fixed by every element in G_d , we can conclude that the coefficients in f_V belong to K_d . From the definition of f_V the highest coefficient in f_V equals to 1. Let $(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n)$ be a \mathbf{Z}_p -base of the intersection $V \cap W_{d'}$. Then by virtue of Lemma 1 we have $W_p(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n) \not\equiv 0 \pmod{pW_{d'}}$. Since the coefficient of X^n in $W_p(X, \zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n)$ is $W_p(\zeta_1^p, \dots, \zeta_n^p) = W_p(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n)^p$, this shows that the constant term in f_V is $(-1)^n W_p(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n)^{p-1}$ and is not congruent to zero modulo $pW_{d'}$. On the other hand, since $\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n \in W_{d'}$, the coefficients in $W_p(X, \zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n)$ with respect to X are elements in $W_{d'}$. Therefore we can conclude f_V belongs to $W_{d'} \langle t \rangle$, because $W_p(\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n)$ is a unit in $W_{d'}$ and f_V belongs to $K_d \langle t \rangle$.

For any element f ($\neq 0$) in $K_d \langle t \rangle$ we mean by V_f the subset in $K_{d'}$ consisting of all the solutions ξ of the p -equation $f(X) = 0$. Then we have

Proposition 3. (i) V_f is a $\mathbf{Q}_p[G_d]$ -submodule in $K_{d'}$ such that $\dim_{\mathbf{Q}_p} V_f \leq \text{rank } f$. (ii) $V = V_{f_V}$. (iii) If V' is a $\mathbf{Q}_p[G_d]$ -submodule of V_f , then there exists g in $K_d \langle t \rangle$ such that $f = gf_{V'}$.

Proof. Since $(a\xi + b\eta)^p = a\xi^p + b\eta^p$ for a, b in \mathbf{Q}_p and ξ, η in $K_{d'}$, we have $f(a\xi + b\eta) = af(\xi) + bf(\eta)$ for $a, b \in \mathbf{Q}_p$. This shows V_f is a \mathbf{Q}_p -module. On the other hand all the coefficients in f belong to K_d and p commutes with every element $\sigma \in G_d$, hence ξ^σ ($\sigma \in G_d$) belongs to V_f if and only if $\xi \in V_f$. This means V_f is a $\mathbf{Q}_p[G_d]$ -module. Let ξ_1, \dots, ξ_m be linearly independent elements in V_f over \mathbf{Q}_p . Then by virtue of Proposition 1 we have $W_p(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_m) \not\equiv 0$. On the other hand, if we write $f = \sum_{\nu=0}^n a_\nu p^\nu$, we have

$$(\mathbf{a}_0, \mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n) \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1, \dots, \xi_m \\ \xi_1^{\mathfrak{p}}, \dots, \xi_m^{\mathfrak{p}} \\ \xi_1^{\mathfrak{p}^2}, \dots, \xi_m^{\mathfrak{p}^2} \\ \vdots \\ \xi_1^{\mathfrak{p}^n}, \dots, \xi_m^{\mathfrak{p}^n} \end{pmatrix} = (0, 0, \dots, 0).$$

This shows $m \leq n$, and thus (i) has been proved. From Proposition 2 it follows $\text{rank } \mathbf{f}_V = \dim_{Q_p} V$, hence by virtue of (i) we have $\dim_{Q_p} V_{\mathbf{f}_V} < \text{rank } \mathbf{f}_V = \dim_{Q_p} V$. On the other hand $V \subset V_{\mathbf{f}_V}$, hence $V = V_{\mathbf{f}_V}$. From (i) and (ii) we know that $\mathbf{f}_{V'}$ is the element \mathbf{h} in $K_A \langle t \rangle$ with the smallest rank such that $V_{\mathbf{h}} \supset V'$. We can choose \mathbf{g} and θ in $K_A \langle t \rangle$ such that $\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{g}\mathbf{f}_{V'} + \theta$ and $\text{rank } \theta < \text{rank } \mathbf{f}_{V'}$, because $\text{rank } \mathbf{f}_{V'} \leq \text{rank } \mathbf{f}$. Since $V_{\mathbf{f}} \supset V'$ and $V_{\mathbf{g}\mathbf{f}_{V'}} \supset V'$, we have $V_{\theta} \supset V'$. Thus $\text{rank } \theta \geq \dim_{Q_p} V_{\theta} > \dim_{Q_p} V' = \text{rank } \mathbf{f}_{V'}$. Therefore, if $\theta \neq 0$, this is a contradiction. This proves $\theta = 0$.

We shall now show the reverse of Proposition 2.

Proposition 4. *Let \mathbf{f} be an element of $W_A \langle t \rangle$ such that the highest coefficient is 1 and the constant term is not congruence to zero modulo $\mathfrak{p}W_A$. Then $\dim_{Q_p} V_{\mathbf{f}} = \text{rank } \mathbf{f}$ and $\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{f}_{V_{\mathbf{f}}}$.*

Proof. Let n be the rank of \mathbf{f} and put $\mathbf{f} = \sum_{v=0}^n \mathbf{a}_v t^v$. Let x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots be indeterminates and put $X = \sum_{v=0}^{\infty} x_v \mathfrak{p}^v$, $\mathbf{f}(X) = \sum_{v=0}^{\infty} \varphi_v(x_0, x_1, \dots, x_v) \mathfrak{p}^v$. It is sufficient to show that the number of solutions of $\varphi_0(x_0) = 0, \varphi_1(x_0, x_1) = 0, \dots, \varphi_{v-1}(x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{v-1}) = 0$ in \mathcal{A}' is exactly \mathfrak{p}^n . Since $\mathbf{a}_n = 1$ and $\mathbf{a}_0 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{\mathfrak{p}W_A}$, by virtue of (1), (2), (3) we have $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{\mu}} \varphi_{\mu}(x_0, \dots, x_{\mu}) \not\equiv 0$, and thus $\varphi_{\mu}(\xi_0, \dots, \xi_{\mu-1}, x_{\mu}) = 0$ has no multiple root for given value $\xi_0, \dots, \xi_{\mu-1}$ in \mathcal{A}' . On the other hand the degree of $\varphi_{\mu}(\xi_0, \dots, \xi_{\mu-1}, x_{\mu})$ in x_{μ} is \mathfrak{p}^n , hence we conclude the number of solutions of $\varphi_0(x_0) = 0, \varphi_1(x_0, x_1) = 0, \dots, \varphi_{v-1}(x_0, \dots, x_{v-1}) = 0$ in \mathcal{A}' is exactly \mathfrak{p}^n . This proves Proposition 4.

We now sum up the results in Proposition 2, 3, 4.

Theorem 1. *The correspondence $V \leftrightarrow \mathbf{f}_V(X) = 0$ gives a bijective map between the set of Q_p -finite-dimensional $Q_p[G_A]$ -submodules in $K_{\mathcal{A}'}$ and the set of \mathfrak{p} -equations with the properties 1° the coefficients belong to W_A , 2° the highest coefficient is 1, 3° the coefficient of X*

is not congruent to zero modulo $\mathfrak{p}W_d$. By this correspondence $\mathbb{Q}_p[G_d]$ -modules correspond to irreducible \mathfrak{p} -equations and conversely.

§ 4. $K_d[G_d]$ -modules of finite \mathfrak{p} -type in $K_{d'}$.

Definition. If a $K_d[G_d]$ -module \mathfrak{B} in $K_{d'}$ has a K_d -base (ξ_1, \dots, ξ_n) such that the coefficients of the representation $\{M(\sigma) | \sigma \in G_d\}$ defined by $(\xi_1^\sigma, \dots, \xi_n^\sigma) = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)M(\sigma)$ belong to a finite algebraic extension of \mathbb{Q}_p , then we call \mathfrak{B} a $K_d[G_d]$ -module of finite \mathfrak{p} -type.

In the present paragraph we shall be concerned with $K_d[G_d]$ -modules of finite \mathfrak{p} -type in $K_{d'}$, especially semi-simple $K_d[G_d]$ -modules of finite \mathfrak{p} -type in $K_{d'}$.

Lemma 1. If \mathfrak{B} is a $K_d[G_d]$ -module of finite \mathfrak{p} -type in $K_{d'}$, then there exists a \mathbb{Q}_p -finite-dimensional $\mathbb{Q}_p[G_d]$ -module V in $K_{d'}$ such that $\mathfrak{B} = K_d V$. If \mathfrak{B} is simple, we can choose a simple $\mathbb{Q}_p[G_d]$ -module as V .

Proof. Let \mathfrak{B} be a $K_d[G_d]$ -module in $K_{d'}$ with a K_d -base (η_1, \dots, η_n) such that the field Λ generated by the coefficients of the representation $\{M(\sigma) | (\xi_1^\sigma, \dots, \xi_n^\sigma) = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)M(\sigma), \sigma \in G_d\}$ is a finite algebraic extension of \mathbb{Q}_p . Let $(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_r)$ be a \mathbb{Q}_p -base of Λ and put $\eta_{ij} = \beta_j \xi_i$ ($1 \leq i \leq r; 1 \leq j \leq n$). Then we have a $\mathbb{Q}_p[G]$ -module $V = \mathbb{Q}_p \eta_{11} + \dots + \mathbb{Q}_p \eta_{rn} = \Lambda \xi_1 + \dots + \Lambda \xi_n$ in $K_{d'}$ such that $K_d V = \mathfrak{B}$. Assume \mathfrak{B} is simple. Then the enveloping algebra of $\{M(\sigma) | \sigma \in G\}$ over Λ is a simple Λ -algebra. Hence V is a direct sum $V_1 \oplus \dots \oplus V_r$ of simple $\mathbb{Q}_p[G]$ -submodules. Since $K_d V = \mathfrak{B}$ and \mathfrak{B} is simple there exists as V_i such that $K_d V_i = \mathfrak{B}$.

Theorem 2. Let \mathfrak{B} be a $K_d[G_d]$ -module of finite \mathfrak{p} -type in $K_{d'}$ and Λ be a suffield of K_d in which the coefficients of a representation $\{M(\sigma) | (\xi_1^\sigma, \dots, \xi_n^\sigma) = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)M(\sigma), \sigma \in G_d\}$ of G_d by the K_d -base (ξ_1, \dots, ξ_n) are contained. Let r be the degree of Λ over \mathbb{Q}_p . Then every $K_d[G_d]$ -module in $K_{d'}$ isomorphic to V is contained in the sum $\tilde{\mathfrak{B}} = \mathfrak{B} + K_d \mathfrak{B}^{\mathfrak{p}^r} + \dots + K_d \mathfrak{B}^{\mathfrak{p}^{r(n-1)}}$ in $K_{d'}$.

Proof. We notice that Λ/\mathbb{Q}_p is cyclic and the galois automorphisms are induced by $\{1, \mathfrak{p}, \dots, \mathfrak{p}^{r-1}\}$, because $\Lambda \subset K_d$ and K_d is

unramified for \mathfrak{p} . Let \mathfrak{U} be a $K_d[G_d]$ -module in $K_{d'}$ isomorphic to \mathfrak{B} and φ be the isomorphism of \mathfrak{B} onto \mathfrak{U} . Then, putting $M(\sigma) = (m_{ij}(\sigma))$ ($\sigma \in G_d$), we have $(\varphi(\xi^1)^\sigma, \dots, \varphi(\xi_n)^\sigma) = (\varphi(\xi_1^\sigma), \dots, \varphi(\xi_n^\sigma)) = (\varphi(\sum_{l=1}^n m_{l1}(\sigma)\xi_l), \dots, \varphi(\sum_{l=1}^n m_{ln}(\sigma)\xi_l)) = (\sum_{l=1}^n m_{l1}(\sigma)\varphi(\xi_l), \dots, \sum_{l=1}^n m_{ln}(\sigma)\varphi(\xi_l)) = (\varphi(\xi_1), \dots, \varphi(\xi_n))M(\sigma)$. Replacing \mathfrak{p} by \mathfrak{p}^r in Proposition 1, by the same reason as for \mathfrak{p} , we have

$$W_{\mathfrak{p}^r}(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n) = \begin{vmatrix} \xi_1 & , & \dots & , & \xi_n \\ \xi_1^{\mathfrak{p}^r} & , & \dots & , & \xi_n^{\mathfrak{p}^r} \\ \vdots & & & & \vdots \\ \xi_1^{\mathfrak{p}^{r(n-1)}} & , & \dots & , & \xi_n^{\mathfrak{p}^{r(n-1)}} \end{vmatrix} \neq 0$$

Hence putting

$$\begin{pmatrix} \varphi(\xi_1) & , & \dots & , & \varphi(\xi_n) \\ \varphi(\xi_1)^{\mathfrak{p}^r} & , & \dots & , & \varphi(\xi_n)^{\mathfrak{p}^r} \\ \vdots & & & & \vdots \\ \varphi(\xi_1)^{\mathfrak{p}^{r(n-1)}} & , & \dots & , & \varphi(\xi_n)^{\mathfrak{p}^{r(n-1)}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 & , & \dots & , & \xi_n \\ \xi_1^{\mathfrak{p}^r} & , & \dots & , & \xi_n^{\mathfrak{p}^r} \\ \vdots & & & & \vdots \\ \xi_1^{\mathfrak{p}^{r(n-1)}} & , & \dots & , & \xi_n^{\mathfrak{p}^{r(n-1)}} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & , & \dots & , & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & , & \dots & , & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix},$$

we get a matrix with coefficients $a_{ij} (1 \leq i, j \leq n)$ in K_d . Since $\varphi(\xi_i) = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} \xi_j^{\mathfrak{p}^{r(i-1)}} (1 \leq i \leq n)$ with $a_{ij} \in K_d$ and $\varphi(\xi_1), \dots, \varphi(\xi_n)$ generate \mathfrak{U} over K_d , we conclude $K_d\mathfrak{B} + K_d\mathfrak{B}^{\mathfrak{p}^r} + \dots + K_d\mathfrak{B}^{\mathfrak{p}^{r(n-1)}} \supset \mathfrak{U}$.

We shall now calculate the multiplicity of simple $K_d[G_d]$ -module in the union $K_{d',s}$ of semi-simple $K_d[G_d]$ -modules of finite \mathfrak{p} -type in $K_{d'}$.

Theorem 3. *Let \mathfrak{B} be a simple $K_d[G_d]$ -module of finite \mathfrak{p} -type in $K_{d'}$ and $\{M(\sigma) | \sigma \in G_d\}$ be a representation of G_d by a K_d -base of \mathfrak{B} such that the coefficients in $\{M(\sigma) | \sigma \in G_d\}$ belong to a finite algebraic extension Λ of \mathbb{Q}_p in K_d . If the enveloping algebra of $\{M(\sigma) | \sigma \in G_d\}$ over Λ is a full matrix ring of degree d_0 over a division ring and r is the degree of Λ over \mathbb{Q}_p , then the sum $\tilde{\mathfrak{B}} = \mathfrak{B} + K_d\mathfrak{B}^{\mathfrak{p}^r} + \dots + K_d\mathfrak{B}^{\mathfrak{p}^{r(d_0-1)}}$ in $K_{d'}$ is a direct sum such that every $K_d[G_d]$ -module in $K_{d'}$ isomorphic to \mathfrak{B} is contained in $\tilde{\mathfrak{B}}$. Namely the multiplicity of \mathfrak{B} in the union $K_{d',s}$ of semi-simple $K_d[G_d]$ -modules of finite \mathfrak{p} type is d_0 .*

Proof. Let (ξ_1, \dots, ξ_n) be a K_d -base of \mathfrak{B} such that $(\xi_1^\sigma, \dots, \xi_n^\sigma) = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)M(\sigma)$ ($\sigma \in G_d$) and put $V = \Lambda\xi_1 + \dots + \Lambda\xi_n$. Since Λ is

algebraic subfield in K_d of degree r over Q_p , A/Q_p is a cyclic extension and the galois automorphisms are induced by $\{1, \wp, \dots, \wp^{r-1}\}$. Since V is a simple $A[G_d]$ -module, $V^{\wp^r \nu}$ ($\nu=1, 2, \dots$) are also simple $A[G_d]$ -modules isomorphic to V , and thus $K_d V^{\wp^r \nu}$ ($\nu=1, 2, \dots$) are simple $K_d[G_d]$ -modules isomorphic to $\mathfrak{B}=K_d V$. This shows that the sum $\mathfrak{B}=K_d V + \dots + K_d \mathfrak{B}^{\wp^{(n-1)r}}$ in K_d' is a direct sum $K_d V \oplus K_d V^{\wp^r} \oplus \dots \oplus K_d V^{\wp^{(t-1)r}}$ with a positive integer t . The purpose of the proof is to show $t=d_0$. Let A_Λ be the enveloping algebra of $\{M(\sigma) | \sigma \in G_d\}$ over A and D be the division algebra of A_Λ . Then $[A_\Lambda : D] = d_0^2$. Let Ω be the center of A_Λ and T be the minimal extension of Ω such that $D \otimes_\Omega T$ splits. Then we have $[A_\Lambda : A] = d_0^2 [T : \Omega]^2 [\Omega : A]$ and $T \cap K_d = A$. We put $d = d_0 [T : \Omega]$. We introduce the endomorphism q of $T \otimes_\Lambda K_d'$ by $(\alpha \otimes \xi)^q = \alpha \otimes \xi^{\wp^r}$ ($\alpha \in T, \xi \in K_d'$). Since A is the subfield of K_d' consisting of all the elements fixed by \wp^r , the endomorphism q is well defined. There exists an absolutely simple $T[G_d]$ -module U in $T \otimes_\Lambda V$, because $T \otimes_\Lambda A_\Lambda$ is a full matrix algebra over T . We choose a T -base (η_1, \dots, η_d) of U . Then, since

$$\begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 & , & \dots & , & \eta_d \\ \eta_1^q & , & \dots & , & \eta_d^q \\ \vdots & & & & \vdots \\ \eta_1^{q^{d-1}} & , & \dots & , & \eta_d^{q^{d-1}} \end{pmatrix} =: \mathbf{0},$$

putting

$$f_U(X) = (-1)^d \begin{pmatrix} X, \eta_1 & , & \dots & , & \eta_d \\ X^q, \eta_1^q & , & \dots & , & \eta_d^q \\ \vdots & & & & \vdots \\ X^{q^d}, \eta_1^{q^d}, \dots, \eta_d^{q^d} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 & , & \dots & , & \eta_d \\ \eta_1^q & , & \dots & , & \eta_d^q \\ \vdots & & & & \vdots \\ \eta_1^{q^{d-1}} & , & \dots & , & \eta_d^{q^{d-1}} \end{pmatrix}^{-1},$$

we know that $f_U(X)=0$ is an irreducible q -equation⁷⁾ with coefficients in $T \otimes_\Lambda K_d$ and U coincides with the $T[G_d]$ -module of solutions of $f_U(X)=0$ in $T \otimes_\Lambda K_d'$. Next we write the (i, i) -th unit ($1 \leq i \leq d$) in the full matrix ring $T \otimes_\Lambda A_\Lambda$ as follows $\sum_{l=1}^t \gamma_{il} N(\sigma_l)$ ⁸⁾ ($1 \leq i \leq d$) with γ_{il} in T and σ_l in G_d . Assume $\sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_{ij} \eta_i^{q^j-1} = 0$

7) The situation is the same as 2).
 8) $\{N(\sigma) | \sigma \in G_d\}$ is the representation by the base (η_1, \dots, η_d) .

with λ_{ij} in $T \otimes_{\Lambda} K_d$. Then, since $\sum_{i=1}^t \gamma_{ii} \eta_j^{\sigma_i} = \eta_i \delta_{ij}$ ($1 \leq i \leq d$) and σ_l ($1 \leq l \leq t$) commute with q , we have $\sum_{i=1}^t \gamma_{ii} (\sum_{h,k} \lambda_{hk} \eta_h^{q^{k-1}})^{\sigma_l} = \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_{ik} \eta_i^{q^{k-1}} = 0$ ($1 \leq i \leq d$). On the other hand by virtue of the irreducibility of the q -equation $f_U(X) = 0$ we know that $\eta_i, \eta_i^q, \dots, \eta_i^{q^{d-1}}$ are linearly independent over $T \otimes_{\Lambda} K_d$ and $\eta_i^{q^d}$ is a linear combination of $\eta_i, \eta_i^q, \dots, \eta_i^{q^{d-1}}$ with coefficients in $T \otimes_{\Lambda} K_d$. Therefore we can conclude that $(\eta_1, \dots, \eta_d, \eta_1^q, \dots, \eta_d^q, \dots, \eta_1^{q^{d-1}}, \dots, \eta_d^{q^{d-1}})$ is a $(T \otimes_{\Lambda} K_d)$ -base of $(T \otimes_{\Lambda} K_d)[G_d]$ -module $\tilde{u} = (T \otimes_{\Lambda} K_d)U + (T \otimes_{\Lambda} K_d)U^q + \dots + (T \otimes_{\Lambda} K_d)U^{q^{n-1}}$, and thus $\tilde{u} = (T \otimes_{\Lambda} K_d)U \oplus (T \otimes_{\Lambda} K_d)U^q \oplus \dots \oplus (T \otimes_{\Lambda} K_d)U^{q^{d-1}}$. By virtue of Theorem 2 every $[T \otimes_{\Lambda} K_d](G_d)$ -module in $T \otimes_{\Lambda} K_d'$ isomorphic to $(T \otimes_{\Lambda} K_d)U$ is contained in \tilde{u} . We shall return to the calculation of t . Since Ω is the center of A_{Λ} , $\Omega \otimes_{\Lambda} V$ is isomorphic to the direct sum $V_1 + V_2 + \dots + V_{\omega}$ ($\omega = [\Omega : A]$) of mutually inequivalent G_d -modules V_1, \dots, V_{ω} such that V_1 is a simple $\Omega[G_d]$ -module and other V_i are conjugate of V_1 over A . Moreover $T \otimes_{\mathfrak{q}} A_{\Lambda}$ is the full matrix ring over T , $T \otimes_{\mathfrak{q}} V_1$ is the $[T : \Omega]$ -times direct sum of an absolutely simple $T[G_d]$ -module U . This shows that $(T \otimes_{\mathfrak{q}} K_d)(V_1^q + \dots + V_1^{q^{n-1}}) = \tilde{u}$ and $d^2 = \dim_{T \otimes_{\mathfrak{q}} K_d} \tilde{u} = i [T : \Omega] \dim_T U$. Since $d = d_0 [T : \Omega]$ and $d = \dim_T U$, we conclude $t = d_0$. This completes the proof of Theorem 3.

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