Manifold submetries, and polynomial algebras

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- Related to collapse with lower curvature bounds (Cheeger, Yamaguchi, Shioya-Yamaguchi, Wilking, ...).

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Theorem (First fundamental theorem of O(n), Weyl)

The algebra of O(n)-invariant polynomials is generated by the P_{ij} .

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YES, in the following situations:

- A generated by 2 polynomials.
- A is generated by quadratic polynomials.

Obtained via generalization of Weyl's First Fundamental Theorem, in the non homogeneous setting.

An application to (inverse) Invariant theory

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Corollary (Mendes, R.)

Suppose $A \subset \mathbb{R}[x_1, ..., x_n]$ is a maximal Laplacian algebra, with trdeg.K(A) = n (K(A) = field of fractions of A). Then $A = \mathbb{R}[x_1, ..., x_n]^{\Gamma}$ for some finite group $\Gamma \subset O(n)$.

Thank you!

