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**David Corwin, Steven V Sam** and **Pavel Etingof**. *On the Cohen-Macaulayness of  
 $S_n$ -Invariant Subspace Arrangements.*

If we let  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r)$  be a partition of an integer  $n$ , we can define a certain subspace  $E_\lambda$  of  $\mathbb{C}^n$ . We then consider  $X_\lambda = S_n \cdot E_\lambda$ , the union of  $S_n$ -translates of  $E_\lambda$ , which is an algebraic variety. This talk is concerned with addressing the question: for which  $\lambda$  are  $X_\lambda$  or  $X_\lambda/S_n$  Cohen-Macaulay?

While we still lack a complete answer to this question, using representation theory of Cherednik algebras, standard commutative algebra, and computations in the Macaulay2 programming language, we have reached many partial results, including a definite "no" in the case that  $\lambda$  has at least four distinct parts. We also formulate a number of conjectures, and give evidence for a more general claim that  $X_\lambda$  is rarely ever Cohen-Macaulay, and when it is, there is some additional structure behind it coming from representation theory and integrable systems. (Received September 16, 2014)