

Some Remarks on the Embeddings of  
Grassmann, Segre , and Veronese

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## SEGRE

$X_1, X_2, \dots, X_r$  vector spaces over  $\mathbb{F}$ ,  $\dim X_i = n_i + 1 < \infty$   
 $\mathbb{P}(X_i)$  ... projective spaces

### Product space $(P, \mathcal{L})$

$P = \mathbb{P}(X_1) \times \mathbb{P}(X_2) \times \dots \times \mathbb{P}(X_r)$  ... points

$$\mathcal{L} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} l_1 \times \{A_2\} \times \dots \times \{A_r\} | \dots \} \\ \{ \{A_1\} \times l_2 \times \{A_3\} \times \dots \times \{A_r\} | \dots \} \\ \dots \\ \{ \{A_1\} \times \dots \times \{A_{r-1}\} \times l_r | \dots \} \end{array} \right\} \quad \text{r types of lines}$$

### Segre mapping

$$\delta: P \longrightarrow \mathbb{P}(\bigotimes_{i=1}^r X_i)$$

$$(F\alpha_1, \dots, F\alpha_r) \mapsto F(\alpha_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \alpha_r)$$

### Parametric representation (coordinates)

$$Y_{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_r} = X_{i_1}^{(1)} \cdot X_{i_2}^{(2)} \cdot \dots \cdot X_{i_r}^{(r)}$$

$$\prod_{i=1}^r (n_i + 1) \text{ coordinates}$$

$(P, \mathcal{L})$  product space  $(P', \mathcal{L}')$  projective space  
 $\vdots$   
points lines

$\sigma: P \rightarrow P'$  a mapping **(Segre mapping)**

(I) Injectivity ✓

(L) Lines

$\sigma$ -images of lines are lines

(K) Klein ↴

$\alpha \in \text{Aut}(P) \Rightarrow \sigma^{-1}\alpha\sigma$  extends to  $\alpha' \in \text{Aut}(P')$

(S) von Staudt ✓

$\beta: l_1 \rightarrow l_2$  projectivity  $\Rightarrow \beta^6: l_1^6 \rightarrow l_2^6$  projectivity

(D) Dimension

$\text{im } \sigma$  spans a space of dimension  $\prod_{i=1}^r (n_i + 1) - 1$

(P) Primes ↴

$\mathcal{H} \subset P$  prime  $\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{H}^6$  hyperplane section of  $\text{im } \sigma$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} l \subset \mathcal{H} \text{ or } \\ \#(l \cap \mathcal{H}) = 1 \end{array} \right\} \forall \text{ lines } l \in \mathcal{L}$

$\gamma: P \rightarrow P''$  a mapping ,  $r=2$

(I)+(L)+(D) ... regular embedding

$\Rightarrow \text{im } \gamma \sim \text{im } \sigma$  (Segre variety)

(I)+(L) ... embedding  $\Rightarrow$  decomposition

$$P \xrightarrow[\text{Aut}]{(\text{id}, \alpha)} P \xrightarrow{\text{Segre}} P' \xrightarrow{\text{projection}} P'_1 \xrightarrow{\text{coll.}} P''_2 \subset P''$$

$\vdots$

$$(D) \Leftrightarrow \pi = \text{id}_{P'}$$

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Examples: Herzer

B. Segre  
Krüger  
Blunck  
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F...  
skewfield ,  $n_1=1, n_2 \leq \infty$

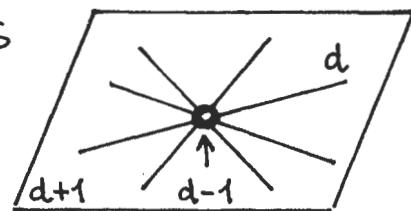
## GRASSMANN

$\mathbb{P}(X)$ ,  $\dim X = n+1 < \infty$ ,  $1 \leq d \leq n-2$

Grassmann space  $(P, L)$

$P$ ...  $d$ -dimensional subspaces of  $\mathbb{P}(X)$

$L$ ... pencils of  $d$ -subspaces



Grassmann mapping

$$\delta: P \longrightarrow \mathbb{P}(\Lambda^{d+1} X)$$

$$[F_{a_0}, \dots, F_{a_d}] \mapsto F(a_0 \wedge a_1 \wedge \dots \wedge a_d)$$

Parametric representation (Grassmann coord.)

$$y_{i_0, i_1, \dots, i_d} = \begin{vmatrix} x_{i_0}^{(0)} & \dots & x_{i_d}^{(0)} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_{i_0}^{(d)} & \dots & x_{i_d}^{(d)} \end{vmatrix} \quad 0 \leq i_0 < i_1 < \dots < i_d \leq n$$

$\binom{n+1}{d+1}$  coordinates

$(P, L)$  Grassmann space,  $(P', L')$  projective space  
 $\vdots \quad \backslash \quad \backslash$   
points    lines

$\sigma: P \rightarrow P'$  a mapping (Grassmann mapping)

(I) Injectivity ✓

(L) Lines

$\sigma$ -images of lines are lines

(K) Klein ✓

$\alpha \in \text{Aut}(P) \Rightarrow \sigma^{-1}\alpha\sigma$  extends to  $\alpha' \in \text{Aut}(P')$

(S) von Staudt ✓

$\beta: l_1 \rightarrow l_2$  projectivity  $\Rightarrow \beta^\sigma: l_1^\sigma \rightarrow l_2^\sigma$  projectivity

(D) Dimension

$\text{im } \sigma$  spans a space of dimension  $\binom{n+d}{d+1} - 1$

(P) Primes

$\mathcal{H} \subset P$  prime  $\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{H}^\sigma$  hyperplane section of  $\text{im } \sigma$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \{ \\ l \subset \mathcal{H} \text{ or } \#(l \cap \mathcal{H}) = 1 \end{array} \right\} \forall \text{ lines } l \in L$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \{ \\ \sigma^{-1} \end{array} \right\}$   
linear complex  
of d-spaces

$\gamma: P \rightarrow P''$  a mapping

(I)+(L)+(D) ... regular embedding

$\Rightarrow \text{im } \gamma \sim \text{im } \sigma$  (Grassmann variety)

(I)+(L) ... embedding  $\Rightarrow$  decomposition

$$P \xrightarrow[\text{Grassmann}]{} P' \xrightarrow[\text{projection}]{\pi} P'_1 \xrightarrow[\text{collineation}]{} P''_2 \subset P''$$

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## VERONESE

$\mathbb{P}(X)$ ,  $\dim X = n+1$ ,  $t \geq 2$

Projective space  $P = \mathbb{P}(X)$   
 $L$ .. lines

## Veronese mapping

$\sigma: P \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(\underbrace{X \otimes \dots \otimes X}_t)$

$Fa \mapsto F(a \otimes \dots \otimes a)$   $\Leftarrow$  too many dimensions:  
 $(n+1)^t - 1$

## Parametric representation

$$y_{e_0, e_1, \dots, e_n} = x_0^{e_0} \cdot x_1^{e_1} \cdot \dots \cdot x_n^{e_n} \quad \left( \sum_{i=0}^n e_i = t \right)$$

⋮

$$\binom{n+t}{t} \text{ coordinates}$$

## Coordinate-free definition

Herzer, Gmainer - H.

$(P, \mathcal{L})$  projective space,  $(P', \mathcal{L}')$  projective space  
 points  $\cdot$  lines

$\sigma: P \rightarrow P'$  a mapping (Veronese mapping)

(I) Injectivity ✓

(L) Lines

$\sigma$ -images of lines are normal rational curves

(K) Klein ✓

$\alpha \in \text{Aut}(P) \Rightarrow \sigma^{-1}\alpha\sigma$  extends to  $\alpha' \in \text{Aut}(P')$

(S) von Staudt ✓

$\beta: l_1 \rightarrow l_2$  projectivity  $\Rightarrow \beta^\sigma: l_1^\sigma \rightarrow l_2^\sigma$  projectivity

(D) Dimension

$\text{im } \sigma$  spans a space of dimension  $\binom{n+t}{t} - 1$

(P) Primes ?

$\mathcal{H} \subset P$  prime  $\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{H}^\sigma$  hyperplane section of  $\text{im } \sigma$



$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \downarrow \\ \mathcal{H}^\sigma \\ \text{algebraic hypersurfaces} \\ \text{of degree } t \end{array} \right.$

$t=2$  ,  $\gamma: P \rightarrow P''$  a mapping

prime  $\Leftrightarrow$  quadric

$M \subset P$  ...  $\bar{\bar{M}}$  quadratic closure

(PC)  $\bar{\bar{M}} = \gamma^{-1}(\overline{\gamma(M)})$   $\forall M \subset P$   
... quadratic embedding

(PC)  $\Rightarrow$  (I)

$\Rightarrow$  (D)

$\not\Rightarrow \text{im } \gamma \sim \text{im } \sigma$

$\Rightarrow (L_1)$  ... are planar arcs.

$(L_2)$  ... are quadratic sets

(PC) + (L<sub>2</sub>) ... regular embedding  $\Rightarrow$

decomposition

$$P \xrightarrow[\text{Veronese}]{} P' \xrightarrow{\text{collineation}} P''$$

Zanella, H.

## Dual Veronese mapping

$$y_{e_0, e_1, \dots, e_n}^* = \binom{t}{e_0, e_1, \dots, e_n} x_0^{*e_0} \cdot x_1^{*e_1} \cdot \dots \cdot x_n^{*e_n}$$

coo. of a hyp.  
 of  $P'$       ↓      coo. of a hyperplane  
 of  $P$

$\frac{t!}{e_0! e_1! \dots e_n!}$        $(\sum_{i=0}^n e_i = t)$

osculating hyperplane

Examples ( $n=1$ )

Conic

$$F(x_0, x_1) \mapsto F(x_0^2, x_0 x_1, x_1^2) \dots \text{points}$$

$$F(x_0^*, x_1^*) \mapsto F(x_0^{*2}, \underline{2} x_0 x_1, x_1^{*2}) \dots \text{taugents}$$

Twisted cubic

$$F(x_0, x_1) \mapsto F(x_0^3, x_0^2 x_1, x_0 x_1^2, x_1^3) \dots \text{points}$$

$$F(x_0^*, x_1^*) \mapsto F(x_0^{*3}, \underline{3} x_0^{*2} x_1^*, \underline{3} x_0^* x_1^{*2}, x_1^{*3}) \dots \text{osculating planes}$$

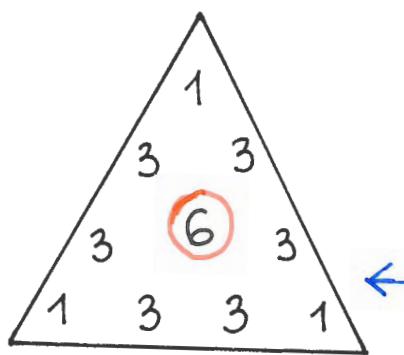
Nucleus ...  $\cap$  osc. hyperplanes

Gmainer , Gmainer-H.

Characterization : Zanella - H.

Example

$$n=2, t=3, \text{Char } F=2$$



nucleus: one point

a slice of Pascal's pyramid

$$\begin{array}{c} F(x_0, x_1, x_2) \xrightarrow{\delta} F(x_0^3, \dots, x_0 x_1 x_2, \dots, x_2^3) \dots \text{g-space} \\ \swarrow \pi \quad \downarrow \pi \dots \text{projection} \\ F(x_0^3, \dots, 0, \dots, x_2^3) \dots \text{g-space} \end{array}$$

(I) ✓

(K) ✓

(L) ... are twisted cubics.

(S) ✓

(D) ↘