

# **On Automorphism Of Non-singular Hypersurface**

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# Abstract

We study the automorphism group of a hypersurface in  $\mathbb{P}^n$ . Firstly we will review the work of Hideyuki Matsumura and Paul Monsky. Then we will construct an isomorphism from Zariski tangent space of  $Aut(X)$  and global sections of tangent sheaf  $T_X$ . Then by computing the Koszul complex of  $X$ , we show that  $H^0(T_X) = 0$ .

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# Chapter 1

## Introduction

Let  $X$  be a subvariety of  $\mathbb{P}^{n+1}$ . We denote by  $\text{Aut}(X)$  the group of Automorphisms of  $X$ , and by  $\text{Lin}(V)$  the subgroup of  $\text{Aut}(X)$  consisting of the elements of automorphisms of  $\mathbb{P}^{n+1}$  which leave  $X$  invariant.

Let  $H_{n,d}$  be a hypersurface of degree  $d$  in the  $\mathbb{P}^{n+1}$ , which is defined by the homogenous polynomial  $f(X_0, X_1, \dots, X_{n+1})$ . Then we have the following results:

- (1) If  $H_{n,d}$  is non-singular and  $n \geq 2, d \geq 3$ , then  $\text{Aut}(H_{n,d})$  is finite except the case  $n = 2, d = 4$ .
- (2) If  $H_{n,d}$  is generic hypersurface of degree  $d$  in  $\mathbb{P}^{n+1}$  and if  $n \geq 2, d \geq 3$ , then  $\text{Aut}(H_{n,d})$  is finite except the case  $n = 2, d = 4$ .

# Chapter 2

## Non-singular hypersurfaces

Let  $k$  be an algebraically closed field. Assume that the hypersurface  $H_{n,d}$  of  $\mathbb{P}^{n+1}$  given by

$$f(X_0, X_1, \dots, X_{n+1}) = 0$$

is non-singular. We denote by  $f_i(X) = \frac{\partial f(X)}{\partial X_i}$ . Then we get  $Z(f_0(X), f_1(X), \dots, f_{n+1}(X), f(X)) = \emptyset$

**Theorem 2.0.1.** *If  $H_{n,d}$  is non-singular and if  $n \geq 2, d \geq 3$ , then  $\text{Lin}(H_{n,d})$  is finite.*

*Proof.* Since  $\text{Lin}(H) \subseteq \text{PGL}(n+2)$ , we want to show that  $\text{Lin}(H)$  is finite. We only need to show that  $\widetilde{\text{Lin}}(H) \in \text{GL}(n+2)$  is of dimension 1. Here  $\widetilde{\text{Lin}}(H)$  is the pre-image of  $\text{Lin}(V)$  under the natural map:  $\text{GL}(n+2) \longrightarrow \text{PGL}(n+2)$ . It suffices to show that  $\widetilde{\text{Lin}}(H) = \{\alpha E \mid \alpha \in k^*\}$

**Case 1.** *The characteristic of  $k$  is either zero or prime  $p$  not dividing the degree  $d$*

Consider the tangent space  $T_{G,1}$  of  $G = \widetilde{\text{Lin}}(H)$  at 1. We want to show that  $\dim(T_{G,1}) = 1$ . Let  $g \in T_{G,1}$ . We assume that  $g(t) = I + t_1 A_1 + t_2 A_2 + \dots + t_r A_r + O(t^2)$ . Then  $f(X)$  is semi-invariant under the action of  $g$ , and we have

$$f(g(t)(X_0, X_1, \dots, X_{n+1})) = \chi(g(t))f(X_0, X_1, \dots, X_{n+1}). \quad (2.0.1)$$

Then we take the partial derivative of  $t_k$  and set  $t = 0$ , we get the following equation:

$$\sum_{0 \leq i \leq n+1} f_i(X) L_i(X) = c' f(X). \quad (2.0.2)$$

Here  $L_i(X) = \sum_{0 \leq j \leq n+1} \xi_{ij}^k X_j$ . Then by using Euler equation  $f(X) = 1/d \sum f_i(X) X_i$  and letting  $c = c'/d$ , we get

$$\sum_{0 \leq i \leq n+1} f_i(X) (L_i(X) - c X_i) = 0 \quad (2.0.3)$$

Now let  $\alpha = (f, f_0, f_1, \dots, f_{n+1})$ . By Euler equation we get that  $\alpha = (f_0, f_1, \dots, f_{n+1})$  and the depth of  $\alpha$  is zero. Let  $\alpha_i = (f_0, \dots, \widehat{f_i}, \dots, f_{n+1})$  for  $0 \leq i \leq n+1$ . Then  $\text{depth } \alpha_i \geq 1$ . But  $\text{depth}(\alpha_i, f_i) = 0$ , therefore

depth  $\alpha_i = 1$ . Since  $k[X_0, X_1, \dots, X_{n+1}]$  is Cohen-Macaulay ring, the unmixed theorem holds on this ring.  $\alpha_i$  is generated by  $n+1$  elements which equals to height  $\alpha_i$ . By unmixed theorem, height of all minimal primes in  $\text{Ass}_A(A/\alpha_i)$  have equal height.

**Lemma 2.0.2.** *If  $\alpha$  is generated by  $r$  elements, then the height of all minimal primes in  $\text{Ass}_A(A/\alpha)$  is less than or equal to  $r$ .*

By the lemma we get that the height of minimal primes in  $\text{Ass}_A(A/\alpha_i)$  is exactly  $n+1$ . Furthermore  $(\alpha_i : f_i) = \text{Ann}(\tilde{f}_i)$  where  $f_i$  is the image of homomorphism from  $A \rightarrow A/\alpha_i$ . There exists a  $P_i \in \text{Ass}_A(A/\alpha_i)$ , such that  $\text{Ann}(\tilde{f}_i) \subseteq P_i$ . But  $\text{height}(P_i) = n+1$ , we get  $\text{height}(\text{Ann}(\tilde{f}_i)) = n+1$ . So  $(\alpha_i : f_i) = \alpha_i$ . Hence we get

$$L_i(X) - cX_i \in \alpha_i \tag{2.0.4}$$

$\alpha_i$  is generated by polynomials of degree  $d-1 > 1$ . Consequently  $L_i(X) - cX_i = 0$ . Then we get all matrix  $A_i = cE$ , which proves that  $\dim(T_{G,1}) = 1$ .

**Case 2.**  *$k$  is of characteristic  $p > 0$  and  $d \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$*

For any matrix  $A \in G$ , we can decompose  $A = TU$ , where  $T$  is a torus and  $U$  is a unipotent matrix. We are going to prove  $T = \alpha E$  and  $U = E$ .

i) The case of a torus.

Assume that a torus  $T$  in  $GL(n+2)$  leaves  $f(X)$  semi-invariant. After a suitable linear transformation, we may assume that

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} \chi_0(t) & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \chi_1(t) & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \chi_{n+1}(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

Then we have  $f(\chi_0(t)X_0, \dots, \chi_{n+1}(t)X_{n+1}) = \chi(t)f(X_0, \dots, X_{n+1})$ . If  $f(1, 0, \dots, 0) \neq 0$ , then  $f$  contains  $X_0^d$  and we have  $d\chi_0 = \chi$  (we write the product of characters additively). If  $f(1, 0, \dots, 0) = 0$  we have some  $0 \leq i \leq n+1$  such that  $f_i(1, 0, \dots, 0) \neq 0$ . Then  $f$  contains  $X_0^{d-1}X_i$ . We have  $(d-1)\chi_0 + \chi_i = \chi$ . In any case we have  $(d-1)\chi_0 + \chi_i = \chi$  for some  $i$ . Similarly, for any  $0 \leq i \leq n+1$  there exists index  $j = j(i)$  with  $\chi_j + (d-1)\chi_i = \chi$ . Then there exists a sequence  $i_1, \dots, i_r$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} c\chi_0 + \chi_{i_1} &= \chi \\ c\chi_{i_1} + \chi_{i_2} &= \chi \\ \dots\dots\dots \\ c\chi_{i_r} + \chi_0 &= \chi \end{aligned} \tag{2.0.5}$$

Eliminating  $\chi_{i_1}, \dots, \chi_{i_r}$ , we get

$$(1 - (-c)^{r+1})\chi_0 = (1 - c + c^2 - \dots + (-c)^r)\chi$$

Hence  $(1 - (-c)^{r+1})(d\chi_0 - \chi) = 0$ , Then we get  $d\chi_0 = \chi$ . Similarly,  $\chi_0 = \chi_1 = \dots = \chi_{n+1}$ . So  $T = \{\alpha E\}$ .

ii) The unipotents case

Let  $U$  be the unipotent matrix which leave  $f(X)$  semi-invariant. Since  $U$  has no non-trivial rational character,  $U$  actually leaves  $f(X)$  invariant. The same with case  $i$  we get the polynomial equation:

$$\sum_{i=0}^n f_i(X)L_i(X) = 0 \quad (2.0.6)$$

where  $L_i(X)$  is a linear term of  $X_i$ . On the other hand, the Euler equation shows that  $\sum_{i=0}^{n+1} f_i(X)X_i = 0$ . Now we have the following lemma:

**Lemma 2.0.3.** *Let  $k$  be a field and let  $f_0(X), \dots, f_{n+1}(X)$  be the forms of the same degree  $d'$  in  $k[X_0, \dots, X_{n+1}]$ .*

*Put  $\alpha = \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} f_i(X)k[X]$  and assume*

*i) depth  $\alpha \leq 1$*

*ii)  $\sum_{i=0}^{n+1} f_i(X)X_i = 0$*

*iii)  $n \geq 2, d' \geq 2$*

*Then ii) is the only linear relation between  $\{f_i(X)\}$  with linear forms as coefficient. That is, if  $l_0(X), \dots, l_{n+1}(X)$  are linear forms satisfying  $\sum f_i(X)l_i(X) = 0$ , then there exists a constant  $c \in k$  such that  $l_0(X) = cX_0, \dots, l_{n+1}(X) = cX_{n+1}$ .*

*Proof.* Firstly we note that depth  $\alpha = 1$ . Otherwise depth  $\alpha = 0$ . Then depth  $\alpha_i = 0$  for some  $\alpha_i = (f_0, \dots, \hat{f}_i, \dots, f_{n+1})$ . We get  $X_i \in (\alpha_i : f_i) = \alpha_i$ , which is absurd. Then depth  $\alpha = 1$ . Without loss of generality, we can choose a sufficiently general matrix  $(s_{ij}) \in GL(n+2, k)$ , and let  $f'_i = \sum_{j=0}^{n+1} s_{ij}f_j$ , such that depth  $(f'_1, \dots, f'_{n+1}) = 1$ . Then let  $(a_{ij}) = (s_{ij})^{-1}$ . We have  $f_i = \sum a_{ij}f'_j$ . Let  $\sum a_{ij}x_j = Y_j$ ,  $\sum a_{ij}l_i(X) = h_j(Y)$ ,  $f'_j(X) = G_j(Y)$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum G_j(Y)Y_j &= \sum f'_j(X)(\sum a_{ij}X_i) \\ &= \sum X_i(\sum f'_j(X)a_{ij}) \\ &= \sum f_i(X)X_i = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (2.0.7)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum G_j(Y)h_j(Y) &= \sum f'_i(X)(\sum a_{ij}l_i(X)) \\ &= \sum l_i(X)(\sum a_{ij}f'_j(X)) \\ &= \sum f_i(X)l_i(X) = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (2.0.8)$$

Suppose that  $(l_0(X), \dots, l_{n+1}(X)) \neq \lambda(X_0, \dots, X_{n+1})$ .



Then  $(h_0(Y), \dots, h_{n+1}(Y)) \neq \lambda(Y_0, \dots, Y_{n+1})$ . By renumbering  $Y_1, \dots, Y_{n+1}$ , we assume that  $h_0(Y)$  contains  $Y_1$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} G_j(Y)(Y_j h_0 - Y_0 h_j) = \\ h_0(-G_0(Y)Y_0) + Y_0(G_0(Y)h_0(Y)) = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (2.0.9)$$

Since  $\text{depth}(G_1, \dots, G_{n+1}) = 1$ ,  $(Y_j h_0 - Y_0 h_j) \in (G_1, \dots, G_{n+1})$ . It's a contradiction when  $d' \geq 2$ . When  $d' = 2$ , let  $\varphi_j = Y_j h_0 - Y_0 h_j$ .  $\{\varphi_j\}$  is linear combination of  $G_1, \dots, G_{n+1}$ . But  $\varphi_j$  contains  $Y_j Y_1$ , does not contain  $Y_i Y_1$ . So  $\varphi_j$  are linearly independent. Then  $(f'_1(X), \dots, f'_{n+1}(X)) = (G_1(X), \dots, G_{n+1}(X)) = (\varphi_1(Y), \dots, \varphi_{n+1}(Y)) \subseteq (Y_0, h_0(Y))$  and  $\text{depth}(f'_1, \dots, f'_{n+1}) = 1 \geq \text{depth}(Y_0, h_0(Y)) \geq n + 2 - 2 = n$ , which contradicts with the assumption  $n \geq 2$   $\square$

Once we have the lemma we can claim that  $U = \alpha E$ . But  $U$  has no non-trivial rational character, so  $U = E$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.0.4.** *Let  $H_{n,d}$  ( $n \geq 2$ ,  $d \geq 3$ ) be non-singular. Then  $\text{Aut}(H_{n,d}) = \text{Lin}(H_{n,d})$  except the the case  $n = 2$ ,  $d = 4$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $X = H_{n,d}$  and  $k_X$  be the canonical sheaf of  $X$ .

Case i) When  $n \geq 3$ .

According to a theorem of Severi-Lefschetz-Andreotti, the Picard group of  $X$  is isomorphic to  $Z$ . Then for any  $f \in \text{Aut}(X)$ ,  $f$  induces an automorphism of  $\text{Pic}(X)$ . We have an isomorphism  $f^*: \mathcal{O}_X(1) \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(1)$ . Consider the short exact sequence of sheaves of modules:

$$0 \longrightarrow I_X(1) \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}}(1) \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(1) \longrightarrow 0 \quad (2.0.10)$$

Since  $I_X \cong \mathcal{O}_X(-d)$ , we get

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(1-d) \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}}(1) \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(1) \longrightarrow 0 \quad (2.0.11)$$

This induces a long exact sequence of cohomology groups:

$$H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}}) \longrightarrow H^0(\mathcal{O}_X(1)) \longrightarrow H^1(\mathcal{O}_X(1-d)) \longrightarrow \dots \quad (2.0.12)$$

We know that  $H^1(\mathcal{O}_X(1-d)) = 0$ . Then we have  $H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}}(1)) \cong H^0(\mathcal{O}_X(1))$ . The map  $f^*$  induced by  $f$  gives an isomorphism of  $H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}}(1))$  and  $H^0(\mathcal{O}_X(1))$ . From this we know that the automorphism of  $X$  actually induces an automorphism of  $\mathbb{P}^{n+1}$ , which leaves  $X$  invariant.

Case ii) When  $n = 3$ ,  $d \neq 4$

$X$  is a hypersurface in  $\mathbb{P}^3$ . Since  $f$  is automorphism of  $X$ ,  $f^*k_X \cong k_X$ . From the Euler sequence:

$$0 \longrightarrow \Omega_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(-1)^{n+2} \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_X \longrightarrow 0 \quad (2.0.13)$$

and take highest wedge product of this exact sequence we get  $k_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}} \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}}(-n-2)$ .

Furthermore, from:

$$0 \longrightarrow I/I_2 \longrightarrow f^*\Omega_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}} \longrightarrow \Omega_X \longrightarrow 0 \quad (2.0.14)$$

and taking the highest wedge product of this exact sequence we get  $k_X \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(-d) \cong f^*k_{\mathbb{P}^3}$ . So  $k_X \cong \mathcal{O}_X(d-4)$ . We know that  $Pic(X)$  is torsion free. Thus  $f^*k_X \cong f^*\mathcal{O}_X(d-4) \cong \mathcal{O}_X(d-4)$ . Dividing  $d-4$  on the both side we get  $f^*\mathcal{O}_X(1) \cong \mathcal{O}_X(1)$ . With the same proof of case  $i$ , we get that  $f$  is an Automorphism of  $\mathbb{P}^{n+1}$  which leaves  $X$  invariant.  $\square$

# Chapter 3

## Finiteness of Automorphism of hypersurfaces

The Zariski tangent space of  $\text{Aut}(X)$  at a point can be identified by global sections of holomorphic tangent sheaf  $T_X$  of  $X$ , i.e.,  $H^0(T_X)$ . In other words, every morphism  $\text{Spec } k[t]/(t^2) \rightarrow \text{Aut}(X)$  that sends the closed point to a fixed  $f \in \text{Aut}(X)$  (we may just take  $f = \text{id}$ ) is uniquely determined by a global section of  $T_X$ . This follows from the construction below.

For every morphism  $\varphi : S \rightarrow \text{Aut}(X)$ , we have a morphism  $X \times S \rightarrow X$  given by the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X \times S & \longrightarrow & X \times \text{Aut}(X) \\ \downarrow & \searrow \phi & \downarrow \\ S & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & X \end{array} \quad (3.0.1)$$

where  $X \times \text{Aut}(X) \rightarrow X$  is the map sending  $(x, g) \rightarrow g(x)$ . The morphism  $\phi$  induces

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T_{X \times S} & \xrightarrow{\phi_*} & T_X \\ \parallel & & \\ \pi_X^* T_X \oplus \pi_S^* T_S & & \end{array} \quad (3.0.2)$$

where  $\pi_X$  and  $\pi_S$  are the projections of  $X \times S$  to  $X$  and  $S$ , respectively. Fixing a closed point  $0 \in S$ , we obtain

$$\pi_S^* T_{S,0} \longrightarrow T_{X \times S}|_{X_0} \xrightarrow{\phi_*} T_X \quad (3.0.3)$$

Its induced map on global sections is

$$T_{S,0} \xrightarrow{\kappa} H^0(T_X) \quad (3.0.4)$$

Taking  $S = \text{Spec } k[t]/(t^2)$ , we obtain a  $k$ -linear map  $\kappa : k \rightarrow H^0(T_X)$ , which is obviously determined by a global tangent vector  $v \in H^0(T_X)$ . Every morphism  $\varphi : \text{Spec } k[t]/(t^2) \rightarrow \text{Aut}(X)$  gives rise to some

$v \in H^0(T_X)$  in this way. We claim

**Theorem 3.0.1.** *Let  $X$  be a quasi-projective variety over an algebraically closed field  $k$ . Then the Zariski tangent space of  $\text{Aut}(X)$  at  $\text{id}$  is isomorphic to  $H^0(T_X) = \text{Hom}(\Omega_X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ . More precisely, every morphism  $\varphi : \text{Spec}k[t]/(t^2) \rightarrow \text{Aut}(X)$  satisfying  $\varphi(0) = \text{id}$  is uniquely determined by  $v \in H^0(T_X)$  through (3.0.1)-(3.0.4).*

*Proof.* Every morphism  $\varphi : \text{Spec}k[t]/(t^2) \rightarrow \text{Aut}(X)$  induces a morphism  $\phi : X \times \text{Spec}k[t]/(t^2) \rightarrow X$  by the diagram (3.0.1). Indeed, every morphism  $\varphi : \text{Spec}k[t]/(t^2) \rightarrow \text{Aut}(X)$  satisfying  $\varphi(0) = \text{id}$  corresponds uniquely to a morphism  $\phi : X \times \text{Spec}k[t]/(t^2) \rightarrow X$  satisfying  $\phi(x, 0) = x$ .

From (3.0.1)-(3.0.4), we have constructed a map

$$\{\phi : X \times \text{Spec}k[t]/(t^2) \rightarrow X, \phi(x, 0) = x\} \longrightarrow H^0(T_X) \quad (3.0.5)$$

We need to construct the inverse of (3.0.5). It goes as follows.

Let us fix  $v \in H^0(T_X)$ . It is equivalent to fixing a map  $v : \Omega_X \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X$ . For every affine open set  $\text{Spec}A \subset X$ , we define a ring homomorphism  $\phi_{A,\#} : A \rightarrow A \otimes_k k[t]/(t^2)$  by

$$\phi_{A,\#}(a) = a + v(da)t \quad (3.0.6)$$

for all  $a \in A$ , where  $d : A \rightarrow \Omega_A$  is the derivative. So  $\phi_{A,\#}$  induces a morphism  $\phi_A : \text{Spec}A \times k[t]/(t^2) \rightarrow \text{Spec}A$  and it is easy to check that  $\phi_A$  is the identity map when restricted to  $t = 0$ . It is also easy to check that  $\phi_A$  glues to a morphism  $\phi : X \times \text{Spec}k[t]/(t^2) \rightarrow X$  satisfying  $\phi(x, 0) = x$ . This gives a map

$$H^0(T_X) \longrightarrow \{\phi : X \times \text{Spec}k[t]/(t^2) \rightarrow X, \phi(x, 0) = x\} \quad (3.0.7)$$

It is easy to check that the maps (3.0.5) and (3.0.7) are inverse to each other.  $\square$

Since  $\dim Y \leq \max \dim_k T_{Y,p}$  for a scheme  $Y$  over an algebraically closed field  $k$ , we can show that  $\dim \text{Aut}(X) = 0$  by proving that  $H^0(T_X) = 0$ .

**Theorem 3.0.2.** *Let  $X$  be a smooth hypersurface in  $\mathbb{P}_k^{n+1}$ . If  $n \geq 2$  and  $\deg X \geq 3$ , then  $H^0(T_X) = 0$ .*

We need the following two lemmas.

**Lemma 3.0.3.** *Let  $F_1, F_2, \dots, F_r$  be  $r \leq n + 2$  homogeneous polynomials in  $k[z_0, z_1, \dots, z_{n+1}]$  of degree  $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_r$ , respectively. Suppose that the intersection  $Z = \{F_1 = F_2 = \dots = F_r = 0\}$  of the hypersurfaces  $\{F_i = 0\}$  has codimension  $r$  in  $P = \mathbb{P}_k^{n+1}$ . Let*

$$\begin{aligned} N_d &= \{(G_1, G_2, \dots, G_r) : F_1 G_1 + F_2 G_2 + \dots + F_r G_r = 0\} \\ &\subset \bigoplus_{i=1}^r H^0(\mathcal{O}_P(d - d_i)) \end{aligned} \quad (3.0.8)$$

for  $d \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $N_d$  is spanned by

$$(G_1, G_2, \dots, G_r) = (0, \dots, 0, -\lambda F_j, 0, \dots, 0, \lambda F_i, 0, \dots, 0) \quad (3.0.9)$$

with  $G_i = -\lambda F_j$  and  $G_j = \lambda F_i$  for some  $\lambda \in H^0(\mathcal{O}_P(d - d_i - d_j))$  and all  $1 \leq i < j \leq r$ . In particular,  $N_d = 0$  if  $d < d_i + d_j$  for all  $1 \leq i < j \leq r$ .

*Proof.* Clearly,  $N_d$  is the kernel of the map

$$\bigoplus_{i=1}^r H^0(\mathcal{O}_P(d - d_i)) \longrightarrow H^0(\mathcal{O}_P(d)) \quad (3.0.10)$$

which sends  $(G_1, G_2, \dots, G_r)$  to  $F_1 G_1 + F_2 G_2 + \dots + F_r G_r$ . The map (3.0.10) is induced by the map on sheaves:

$$\bigoplus_{i=1}^r \mathcal{O}_P(-d_i) \xrightarrow{\xi} \mathcal{O}_P \quad (3.0.11)$$

which is similarly defined by  $\xi(s_1, s_2, \dots, s_r) = F_1 s_1 + F_2 s_2 + \dots + F_r s_r$  for local sections  $s_i$  of  $\mathcal{O}_P(-d_i)$ . The image of  $\xi$  is the ideal sheaf  $I_Z$  of  $Z$  since  $Z$  is cut out by  $F_i = 0$ . That is, we have the right exact sequence

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \bigoplus_{i=1}^r \mathcal{O}_P(-d_i) & \xrightarrow{\xi} & \mathcal{O}_P & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{O}_Z & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & & & & \parallel & & \\ & & & & \mathcal{O}_P/I_Z & & \end{array} \quad (3.0.12)$$

Let

$$V = \bigoplus_{i=1}^r \mathcal{O}_P(-d_i). \quad (3.0.13)$$

The sequence (3.0.12) can be extended to a Koszul complex:

$$0 \longrightarrow \wedge^r V \longrightarrow \dots \longrightarrow \wedge^2 V \longrightarrow V \longrightarrow I_Z \longrightarrow 0 \quad (3.0.14)$$

Since  $Z$  has the expected dimension  $n + 1 - r$ , it is a local complete intersection. Therefore,  $F_1/z_j^{d_1}, F_2/z_j^{d_2}, \dots, F_r/z_j^{d_r}$  is a regular sequence in  $\mathcal{O}_{P,p}$  at every point  $p \in \{z_j \neq 0\}$  for all  $j$ . It follows that the Koszul complex (3.0.14) is exact.

Let us twist (3.0.14) by  $\mathcal{O}(d)$  and break it up into short exact sequences:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & \wedge^r V \otimes \mathcal{O}_P(d) & \longrightarrow & \wedge^{r-1} V \otimes \mathcal{O}_P(d) & \longrightarrow & M_{r-3} \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & M_1 & \longrightarrow & \wedge^2 V \otimes \mathcal{O}_P(d) & \longrightarrow & M_0 \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & & & & & \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & M_0 & \longrightarrow & V \otimes \mathcal{O}_P(d) & \longrightarrow & I_Z(d) \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & & & \parallel & & \\
 & & & & \bigoplus_{i=1}^r \mathcal{O}_P(d-d_i) & & 
 \end{array} \tag{3.0.15}$$

Obviously, the kernel of the map (3.0.10) is exactly  $H^0(M_0)$ . That is,

$$N_d = H^0(M_0). \tag{3.0.16}$$

And the space spanned by(3.0.9) is exactly the image of the map

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 H^0(\wedge^2 V \otimes \mathcal{O}_P(d)) & \longrightarrow & H^0(V \otimes \mathcal{O}_P(d)) \\
 \parallel & & \parallel \\
 \bigoplus_{1 \leq i < j \leq r} H^0(\mathcal{O}_P(d-d_i-d_j)) & & \bigoplus_{i=1}^r H^0(\mathcal{O}_P(d-d_i))
 \end{array} \tag{3.0.17}$$

So it suffices to prove that

$$H^0(M_0) = \text{Im}(H^0(\wedge^2 V \otimes \mathcal{O}_P(d)) \rightarrow H^0(V \otimes \mathcal{O}_P(d))) \tag{3.0.18}$$

which is in turn equivalent to the surjection

$$H^0(\wedge^2 V \otimes \mathcal{O}_P(d)) \twoheadrightarrow H^0(M_0) \tag{3.0.19}$$

Furthermore, (3.0.19) is a surjection if  $H^1(M_1) = 0$ , which holds in turn if

$$H^1(\wedge^3 V \otimes \mathcal{O}_P(d)) = H^2(\wedge^4 V \otimes \mathcal{O}_P(d)) = \dots = H^{r-2}(\wedge^r V \otimes \mathcal{O}_P(d)) = 0. \tag{3.0.20}$$

To see that (3.0.20) implies  $H^1(M_1) = 0$ , we argue inductively

$$\begin{aligned}
 H^{r-2}(\wedge^r V \otimes \mathcal{O}_P(d)) &= H^{r-3}(\wedge^{r-1} V \otimes \mathcal{O}_P(d)) = 0 \Rightarrow H^{r-3}(M_{r-3}) = 0 \\
 H^{r-3}(M_{r-3}) &= H^{r-4}(\wedge^{r-2} V \otimes \mathcal{O}_P(d)) = 0 \Rightarrow H^{r-4}(M_{r-4}) = 0 \\
 &\vdots \qquad \qquad \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad \qquad \qquad \vdots \\
 H^2(M_2) &= H^1(\wedge^3 V \otimes \mathcal{O}_P(d)) = 0 \Rightarrow H^1(M_1) = 0
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.0.21}$$

using the short exact sequence (3.0.15).

So it remains to verify (3.0.20). Note that

$$\wedge^m V \otimes \mathcal{O}_P(d) = \bigoplus_{|J|=m} \mathcal{O}_P(d - \sum_{j \in J} d_j) \tag{3.0.22}$$

where  $J$  runs over all subsets of  $\{1, 2, \dots, r\}$  with cardinality  $|J| = m$ .

Since  $H^a(\mathcal{O}_P(b)) = 0$  for all  $1 \leq a \leq n$  and all  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

$$H^{m-2}(\wedge^m V \otimes \mathcal{O}_P(d)) = 0 \tag{3.0.23}$$

for  $m = 3, \dots, r$  and all  $d$ , which is exactly (3.0.20). □

**Lemma 3.0.4.** *Let  $F_0, F_1, \dots, F_r$  be  $r+1 \leq n+2$  homogeneous polynomials in  $k[z_0, z_1, \dots, z_{n+1}]$  of degree  $d$ . Suppose that  $Z = \{F_0 = F_1 = \dots = F_r = 0\}$  has codimension  $\geq r$  in  $P = \mathbb{P}_k^{n+1}$  and*

$$F_0 L_0 + F_1 L_1 + \dots + F_r L_r = 0 \tag{3.0.24}$$

for some linearly independent linear forms  $L_0, L_1, \dots, L_r \in H^0(\mathcal{O}_P(1))$ . If  $d \geq 2$  and  $r \geq 3$ , then the space

$$\begin{aligned}
 N &= \{(G_0, G_1, \dots, G_r) : F_0 G_0 + F_1 G_1 + \dots + F_r G_r = 0\} \\
 &\subset H^0(\mathcal{O}_P(1))^{\oplus r+1}
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.0.25}$$

is spanned by  $(L_0, L_1, \dots, L_r)$ .

*Proof.* By Lemma 3.0.3 and (3.0.24),  $F_0, F_1, \dots, F_r$  are linearly independent.

We claim that there exist  $F'_1, F'_2, \dots, F'_r$  in  $V = \text{Span}\{F_0, F_1, \dots, F_r\}$  such that

$$\dim\{F'_1 = F'_2 = \dots = F'_r = 0\} = n+1-r. \tag{3.0.26}$$

We construct such sequence inductively such that

$$\dim\{F'_1 = F'_2 = \dots = F'_l = 0\} = n+1-l. \tag{3.0.27}$$

for  $l = 1, 2, \dots, r$ . This is obvious when  $l = 1$ .

Suppose that (3.0.27) holds for some  $l < r$ . Let  $W$  be an irreducible component of  $X_l = \{F'_1 = F'_2 = \dots = F'_l = 0\}$ . Let us consider

$$V_W = \{F = c_0F_0 + c_1F_2 + \dots + c_rF_r : c_i \in k, W \subset \{F = 0\}\} \subset V \quad (3.0.28)$$

Clearly,  $V_W$  is a Zariski closed subset of  $V$ . If  $V_W = V$ , then for every  $F \in V$ ,  $W \subset \{F = 0\}$  and hence

$$W \subset Z = \{F_0 = F_1 = \dots = F_r = 0\} \quad (3.0.29)$$

which implies that  $\dim Z \geq \dim W = n + 1 - l > n + 1 - r$  and contradicts our hypothesis on  $Z$ . Therefore,  $V_W$  is a proper Zariski closed subset of  $V$ . That is,  $V \setminus V_W$  is a nonempty Zariski open set of  $V$ . For all irreducible components  $W$  of  $X_l$ ,

$$V \setminus \bigcup_{W \subset X_l} V_W \neq \emptyset \quad (3.0.30)$$

and hence there exists  $F'_{l+1} \in V$  such that  $\{F'_{l+1} = 0\}$  does not contain any irreducible components of  $X_l$  and consequently

$$\dim X_{l+1} = \dim(X_l \cap \{F'_{l+1} = 0\}) = \dim X_l - 1 = n - l \quad (3.0.31)$$

for  $X_{l+1} = \{F'_1 = F'_2 = \dots = F'_l = F'_{l+1} = 0\}$ . This proves our claim. That is, the set

$$U = \{(F'_1, F'_2, \dots, F'_r) : \dim\{F'_1 = F'_2 = \dots = F'_r = 0\} = n + 1 - r\} \\ \subset V^r \quad (3.0.32)$$

is nonempty. In addition,  $V^r \setminus U$  is a Zariski closed subset of  $V^r$ . We see this by constructing the correspondence

$$Y = \{(F'_1, F'_2, \dots, F'_r, p) : p \in \{F'_1 = F'_2 = \dots = F'_r = 0\}\} \\ \subset V^r \times P \quad (3.0.33)$$

Every fiber of  $Y \rightarrow V^r$  has dimension at least  $n + 1 - r$ . Then  $V^r \setminus U$  is exactly the locus of points  $(F'_1, F'_2, \dots, F'_r)$  over which the fibers of  $Y$  have dimension  $> n + 1 - r$ , which is a Zariski closed subset of  $V^r$  [?, Exercise 3.22, p. 95]. So  $U$  is a nonempty Zariski open set of  $V^r$ .

Let us consider  $V^{r+1} = \{(F'_0, F'_1, \dots, F'_r)\}$  with the following loci removed

- the locus  $(F'_0, F'_1, \dots, F'_r)$  where  $F'_0, F'_1, \dots, F'_r$  are linearly dependent,
- the locus  $(F'_0, F'_1, \dots, F'_r)$  where  $(F'_0, F'_1, \dots, \widehat{F'_i}, \dots, F'_r)$  lies in  $V^r \setminus U$  for some  $i = 0, 1, \dots, r$ .

All the loci removed are proper Zariski closed subset of  $V^{r+1}$ . Therefore, the complement is nonempty.



That is, there exists a basis  $F'_0, F'_1, \dots, F'_r$  of  $V$  such that

$$\dim\{F'_0 = F'_1 = \dots = \widehat{F}'_i = \dots = F'_r = 0\} = n + 1 - r \quad (3.0.34)$$

for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, r$ .

Let us simply replace  $F_0, F_1, \dots, F_r$  by  $F'_0, F'_1, \dots, F'_r$  and assume

$$\dim\{F_0 = F_1 = \dots = \widehat{F}_i = \dots = F_r = 0\} = n + 1 - r \quad (3.0.35)$$

for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, r$ .

Suppose that  $\dim N \geq 2$ . Then there exist  $M_0, M_1, \dots, M_r \in H^0(\mathcal{O}_P(1))$  such that

$$F_0 M_0 + F_1 M_1 + \dots + F_r M_r = 0 \quad (3.0.36)$$

with  $M_i$  and  $L_i$  linearly independent for some  $i$ . WLOG, let us assume that  $M_0$  and  $L_0$  are linearly independent. Then

$$F_1(L_0 M_1 - L_1 M_0) + F_2(L_0 M_2 - L_2 M_0) + \dots + F_r(L_0 M_r - L_r M_0) = 0. \quad (3.0.37)$$

We necessarily have that  $L_0 M_1 - L_1 M_0, L_0 M_2 - L_2 M_0, \dots, L_0 M_r - L_r M_0$  are linearly independent. Otherwise, we have

$$L_0(c_1 M_1 + c_2 M_2 + \dots + c_r M_r) = (c_1 L_1 + c_2 L_2 + \dots + c_r L_r) M_0 \quad (3.0.38)$$

for some  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_r \in k$ , not all zero. But the two pairs  $\{L_0, \sum c_i L_i\}$  and  $\{L_0, M_0\}$  are both linearly independent so (3.0.38) cannot hold.

If  $d \geq 3$ , then  $L_0 M_i - L_i M_0 = 0$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, r$  by Lemma 3.0.3. Contradiction.

If  $d = 2$ , again by Lemma 3.0.3,  $L_0 M_i - L_i M_0 \in \text{Span}\{F_1, F_2, \dots, F_r\}$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, r$ . And since  $L_0 M_i - L_i M_0$  are linearly independent, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Span}\{L_0 M_1 - L_1 M_0, L_0 M_2 - L_2 M_0, \dots, L_0 M_r - L_r M_0\} \\ &= \text{Span}\{F_1, F_2, \dots, F_r\} \end{aligned} \quad (3.0.39)$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} & \{L_0 M_1 - L_1 M_0 = L_0 M_2 - L_2 M_0 = \dots = L_0 M_r - L_r M_0 = 0\} \\ &= \{F_1 = F_2 = \dots = F_r = 0\}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.0.40)$$

But the left hand side of (3.0.40) contains the subset  $\{L_0 = M_0 = 0\}$  which has dimension  $n - 1$ . This contradicts (3.0.35) for  $r \geq 3$ .  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 3.0.2.* Since  $X$  is smooth, we have the exact sequence [?, Theorem 8.17, p. 178]

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & T_X & \longrightarrow & T_P \otimes \mathcal{O}_X & \longrightarrow & N_{X/P} \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & & & & & \parallel \\
 & & & & & & \mathcal{O}_X(d)
 \end{array} \tag{3.0.41}$$

where  $P = \mathbb{P}^{n+1}$ ,  $d = \deg X$  and  $N_{X/P}$  is the normal sheaf of  $X$  in  $P$ . To show that  $H^0(T_X) = 0$ , it suffices to show that the induced map

$$H^0(X, T_P) \xrightarrow{\xi} H^0(N_{X/P}) \tag{3.0.42}$$

is injective.

By Euler's sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_P \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_P(1)^{\oplus n+2} \longrightarrow T_P \longrightarrow 0 \tag{3.0.43}$$

we see that  $H^0(X, T_P)$  is given by the induced long exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow H^0(\mathcal{O}_X) \longrightarrow H^0(\mathcal{O}_X(1))^{\oplus n+2} \longrightarrow H^0(X, T_P) \longrightarrow H^1(\mathcal{O}_X) \tag{3.0.44}$$

When  $n \geq 2$ , we have  $H^1(\mathcal{O}_X) = 0$  by the short sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_P(-d) \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_P \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_X \longrightarrow 0 \tag{3.0.45}$$

and its induced long exact sequence

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 H^1(\mathcal{O}_P) & \longrightarrow & H^1(\mathcal{O}_X) & \longrightarrow & H^2(\mathcal{O}_P(-d)) \\
 \parallel & & & & \parallel \\
 0 & & & & 0
 \end{array} \tag{3.0.46}$$

So when  $n \geq 2$ , (3.0.44) becomes

$$0 \longrightarrow H^0(\mathcal{O}_X) \xrightarrow{\eta} H^0(\mathcal{O}_X(1))^{\oplus n+2} \longrightarrow H^0(X, T_P) \longrightarrow 0 \tag{3.0.47}$$

where the map  $\eta$  is given by

$$\eta(1) = (z_0, z_1, \dots, z_{n+1}) \tag{3.0.48}$$

with  $(z_0, z_1, \dots, z_{n+1})$  being the homogeneous coordinates of  $\mathbb{P}_k^{n+1}$ . By convention, we use  $\partial/\partial z_i$  as a basis

for  $H^0(\mathcal{O}_X(1))^{\oplus n+2}$  and (3.0.48) becomes

$$\eta(1) = \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} z_i \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} \quad (3.0.49)$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} H^0(X, T_P) &= \frac{H^0(\mathcal{O}_X(1))^{\oplus n+2}}{\eta(H^0(\mathcal{O}_X))} \\ &= \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} L_i \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} : L_i \in H^0(\mathcal{O}_X(1)) \right\} / \left( \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} z_i \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (3.0.50)$$

With  $H^0(X, T_P)$  identified as above, we see that the map  $\xi$  in (3.0.42) is

$$\xi \left( \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} L_i \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} \right) = \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} L_i \frac{\partial F}{\partial z_i} \quad (3.0.51)$$

where  $F(z_0, z_1, \dots, z_{n+1})$  is the homogeneous polynomial defining  $X$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} H^0(T_X) &= \ker(\xi) \\ &= \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} L_i \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} : L_i \in H^0(\mathcal{O}_X(1)), \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} L_i F_i = 0 \right\} / \left( \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} z_i \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} \right) \\ &= \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} L_i \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} : L_i \in H^0(\mathcal{O}_P(1)), \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} L_i F_i \in \text{Span}\{F\} \right\} / \left( \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} z_i \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (3.0.52)$$

for  $F_i = \partial F / \partial z_i$ . To show that  $H^0(T_X) = 0$ , it suffices to show that

$$\begin{aligned} &\left\{ \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} L_i \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} : L_i \in H^0(\mathcal{O}_P(1)), \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} L_i F_i \in \text{Span}\{F\} \right\} \\ &= \text{Span} \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} z_i \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.0.53)$$

Note that since  $X$  is smooth,

$$\{F_0 = F_1 = \dots = F_{n+1} = F = 0\} = \emptyset. \quad (3.0.54)$$

Suppose that  $L_0, L_1, \dots, L_{n+1} \in H^0(\mathcal{O}_P(1))$  satisfy

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n+1} L_i F_i = \lambda F \quad (3.0.55)$$

for some  $\lambda \in k$ . Note that

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n+1} z_i F_i = dF. \quad (3.0.56)$$

When  $\text{char } k \nmid d$ ,  $F = (1/d) \sum z_i F_i$  and (3.0.54) becomes

$$\{F_0 = F_1 = \dots = F_{n+1} = 0\} = \emptyset. \quad (3.0.57)$$

And by (3.0.55),

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n+1} L_i F_i = \lambda F = \frac{\lambda}{d} \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} z_i F_i. \quad (3.0.58)$$

Then by Lemma 3.0.3,

$$L_i - \frac{\lambda}{d} z_i = 0 \quad (3.0.59)$$

for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n+1$  and (3.0.53) follows.

When  $\text{char } k \mid d$ ,

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n+1} z_i F_i = 0. \quad (3.0.60)$$

By (3.0.54),

$$\dim\{F_0 = F_1 = \dots = F_{n+1} = 0\} \leq 0. \quad (3.0.61)$$

If  $\lambda = 0$ , then (3.0.53) follows directly from Lemma 3.0.4.

If  $\lambda \neq 0$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \{F_0 = F_1 = \dots = F_{n+1} = 0\} \\ &= \left\{ F_0 = F_1 = \dots = F_{n+1} = \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} L_i F_i = 0 \right\} \\ &= \{F_0 = F_1 = \dots = F_{n+1} = \lambda F = 0\} \\ &= \{F_0 = F_1 = \dots = F_{n+1} = F = 0\} = \emptyset \end{aligned} \quad (3.0.62)$$

by (3.0.54). Then by Lemma 3.0.3, there do not exist  $G_i \in H^0(\mathcal{O}_P(1))$ , not all zero, such that

$$G_0 F_0 + G_1 F_1 + \dots + G_{n+1} F_{n+1} = 0. \quad (3.0.63)$$

This contradicts (3.0.60). □

More general, let  $X$  be a smooth hypersurface in a smooth projective variety  $P$ . We have the exact

sequence

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & T_X & \longrightarrow & T_P \otimes \mathcal{O}_X & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{N}_X \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & & & & & \parallel \\
 & & & & & & \mathcal{O}_X(X)
 \end{array}$$

where  $\mathcal{N}_X$  is the normal bundle of  $X \subset P$ . Then the Koszul complex associated to

$$T_P \otimes \mathcal{N}_X^{-1} \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_X \longrightarrow 0$$

gives rise to

$$0 \longrightarrow \wedge^n T_P \otimes \mathcal{N}_X^{1-n} \longrightarrow \dots \longrightarrow \wedge^2 T_P \otimes \mathcal{N}_X^{-1} \longrightarrow T_P \otimes \mathcal{O}_X \longrightarrow \mathcal{N}_X \longrightarrow 0 \quad (3.0.64)$$

where  $n = \dim P$  and  $T_X$  is the image of  $\wedge^2 T_P \otimes \mathcal{N}_X^{-1} \rightarrow T_P \otimes \mathcal{O}_X$ . Thus, by breaking down (3.0.64) into short exact sequence, we can show that

$$H^0(T_X) = 0 \text{ if } H^{r-2}(\wedge^r T_P \otimes \mathcal{N}_X^{1-r}) = 0 \text{ for } r \geq 2. \quad (3.0.65)$$

Using the exact sequence

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & T_P^r(-rX) & \longrightarrow & T_P^r((1-r)X) & \longrightarrow & T_P^r \otimes \mathcal{O}_X((1-r)X) \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & & & & & \parallel \\
 & & & & & & \wedge^r T_P \otimes \mathcal{N}_X^{1-r}
 \end{array} \quad (3.0.66)$$

we further reduce (3.0.65) to

$$\begin{array}{l}
 H^0(T_X) = 0 \\
 \text{if } H^{r-1}(T_P^r(-rX)) = H^{r-2}(T_P^r((1-r)X)) = 0 \text{ for } r \geq 2
 \end{array} \quad (3.0.67)$$

where  $T_P^\bullet = \wedge^\bullet T_P$ .

Now let us consider  $P = P_1 \times P_2 \times \dots \times P_s$  and  $X \subset P$  a smooth hypersurface given by a global section of  $\pi_1^* L_1 \otimes \pi_2^* L_2 \otimes \dots \otimes \pi_s^* L_s$ , where  $\pi_i$  is the projection  $P \rightarrow P_i$  and  $L_i$  is a line bundle on  $P_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, s$ .

Then by Künneth,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & H^{r-1}(T_P^r(-rX)) \\
 &= \bigoplus_{m_1+m_2+\dots+m_s=r} \bigotimes_{i=1}^s H^{r-1}(\pi_i^* T_{P_i}^{m_i} \otimes \mathcal{O}_P(-rX)) \\
 &= \bigoplus_{\substack{m_1+m_2+\dots+m_s=r \\ l_1+l_2+\dots+l_s=r-1}} \left( \bigotimes_{i=1}^s H^{l_i}(T_{P_i}^{m_i} \otimes L_i^{-r}) \right)
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.0.68}$$

Among  $l_i$  and  $m_i$  in (3.0.68),  $l_i < m_i$  for at least one  $i$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & H^{r-1}(T_P^r(-rX)) = 0 \\
 & \text{if } H^l(T_{P_i}^m \otimes L_i^{-r}) \text{ for all } l < m \leq r \text{ and } i = 1, 2, \dots, s.
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.0.69}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & H^{r-2}(T_P^r((1-r)X)) = 0 \\
 & \text{if } H^l(T_{P_i}^m \otimes L_i^{1-r}) = 0 \text{ for all } l < m \leq r, l \leq r-2 \text{ and } i = 1, 2, \dots, s.
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.0.70}$$

Combining (3.0.67), (3.0.69) and (3.0.70), we conclude

$$\begin{aligned}
 & H^0(T_X) = 0 \\
 & \text{if } H^a(T_{P_i}^b \otimes L_i^{-c}) = 0 \text{ for all } a < b \leq c+1, a < c \text{ and } i = 1, 2, \dots, s.
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.0.71}$$

Now let  $P_i = \mathbb{P}^{n_i}$  and  $L_i = \mathcal{O}_{P_i}(d_i)$ . From the Euler sequence,

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{O}_{P_i} & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{O}_{P_i}(1)^{\oplus(n_i+1)} & \longrightarrow & T_{P_i} \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & & & \parallel & & \\
 & & & & V_i & & 
 \end{array}$$

we have the exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \wedge^{\bullet-1} T_{P_i} \longrightarrow \wedge^{\bullet} V_i \longrightarrow \wedge^{\bullet} T_{P_i} \longrightarrow 0 \tag{3.0.72}$$

Then inductively, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & H^a(T_{P_i}^b \otimes L_i^{-c}) = H^{a-1}(T_{P_i}^{b+1} \otimes L_i^{-c}) = \dots = H^0(T_{P_i}^{a+b} \otimes L_i^{-c}) = 0 \\
 & \text{if } H^a(\wedge^{b+1} V_i \otimes L_i^{-c}) = H^{a-1}(\wedge^{b+2} V_i \otimes L_i^{-c}) = \dots = H^0(\wedge^{a+b+1} V_i \otimes L_i^{-c}) = \\
 & H^a(\wedge^b V_i \otimes L_i^{-c}) = H^{a-1}(\wedge^{b+1} V_i \otimes L_i^{-c}) = \dots = H^0(\wedge^{a+b} V_i \otimes L_i^{-c}) = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

So the condition  $cd_i > a + b + 1$  guarantees  $H^a(T_{P_i}^b \otimes L_i^{-c}) = 0$ . Clearly, the numerical condition on

$(a, b, c)$  implies that  $a + b \leq 2c$ . So  $cd_i > a + b + 1$  if  $d_i \geq 4$ . When  $d_i = 3$ ,  $cd_i \leq a + b + 1$  if and only if  $(a, b, c) = (0, 2, 1)$ . In this case, we again apply (3.0.72) to conclude

$$\begin{aligned} H^0(T_{P_i}^2(-3)) &= H^1(T_{P_i}(-3)) = 0 \\ \text{if } H^0(\wedge^2 V_i \otimes \mathcal{O}_{P_i}(-3)) &= H^1(\wedge^2 V_i \otimes \mathcal{O}_{P_i}(-3)) \\ &= H^1(V_i \otimes \mathcal{O}_{P_i}(-3)) = H^2(\mathcal{O}_{P_i}(-3)) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

This holds as long as  $n_i = \dim P_i \geq 3$ .

So we arrive at a statement about the automorphism group of a smooth hypersurface in the product of projective spaces.

**Theorem 3.0.5.** *For a smooth hypersurface  $X$  in  $\mathbb{P}^{n_1} \times \mathbb{P}^{n_2} \times \dots \times \mathbb{P}^{n_s}$  of multi-degree  $(d_1, d_2, \dots, d_s)$ ,  $H^0(T_X) = 0$  if either  $d_i \geq 4$  or  $d_i = 3$  and  $n_i \geq 3$  for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, s$ .*

# Chapter 4

## Generic hypersurface

Let  $k$  be a field of characteristic  $p \geq 0$ . And let  $k_0$  be the subfield of  $k$  generated by 1. A hypersurface  $H_{n,d}$  is called generic if it is generic over  $k_0$ . That is, if it is defined by a homogenous equation  $f(X_0, X_1, \dots, X_{n+1}) = 0$  of which the  $\binom{n+d+1}{d}$  coefficients are algebraically independent over  $k_0$ . A generic hypersurface is non-singular.

**Theorem 4.0.1.** *If  $H_{n,d}$  is generic and if  $n \geq 2, d \geq 3$ , then  $\text{Lin}(H_{n,d}) = \{e\}$ .*

*Proof.* For convenience, we denote  $m = n + 2$ . We assume that  $f(X) \in k[X_1, X_2, \dots, X_m]$  define the generic hypersurface of degree  $d \geq 3$  for  $m \geq 4$ . We need to prove that if  $A = (a_{ij}) \in GL(m, k)$  that leaves  $f(X)$  semi-invariant:

$$f(A(X)) = \alpha f(X), \quad \alpha \in k^* \quad (4.0.1)$$

Then  $A = cE_m$  for some  $c \in k^*$ . Firstly we can decompose  $A = A_s A_u$ , where  $A_s$  and  $A_u$  are respectively semi-simple and unipotent.  $A_s$  and  $A_u$  also leave  $f(X)$  semi-invariant. Then we only need to consider about the following two cases:

I. Semi-simple case. Let  $A \in GL(m, k)$  be semi-simple and assume  $f(A(X)) = cf(X)$ . Then we can find a matrix  $T$  such that

$$TAT^{-1} = B = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 E_{r_1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_2 E_{r_2} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \alpha_s E_{r_s} \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $E_{r_i}$  is the identity matrix of size  $r_i$ . So we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^s r_i = m$$



and we assume that  $\alpha_i \neq \alpha_j (i \neq j)$ . Now let  $g(X) = f(T^{-1}X)$ . If we apply linear transformation  $B$  to polynomial  $g(X)$ , we get  $g(BX) = f(T^{-1}BX) = f(AT^{-1}X) = cf(T^{-1}X) = cg(X)$ . Now we change the notation of variables:

$$X_{1,1}, \dots, X_{1,r_1}, X_{2,1}, \dots, X_{2,r_2}, \dots, X_{s,1}, \dots, X_{s,r_s}. \quad (4.0.2)$$

If we use  $X_i$  to denote  $(X_{i,1}, \dots, X_{i,r_i})$ , then we get

$$g(\alpha_1(X_1), \dots, \alpha_s(X_s)) = cg(X_1, \dots, X_s) \quad (4.0.3)$$

by  $g(BX) = cg(X)$ . Now we try to prove that  $g(X)$  will miss more than  $2\sum r_i r_j$  monomials of degree  $d$  if  $s > 1$ . Since we have  $f(T^{-1}X) = g(X)$ , then  $f(X)$  is impossibly generic, contrary to our assumption.

Now let us consider the monomials of degree  $d$  that are divisible by  $X_{1,1}^{d-3}$ . WLOG, we may assume  $d = 3$ . Then we classify the cubic monomials into four classes.

- $C_i = \{\text{cubic in } (X_i)\}$ .  $\#C_i = r_i(r_i + 1)(r_i + 2)/6$
- $C_{ij} = \{\text{quadratic in } (X_i) \text{ and linear in } (X_j)\} (i < j)$   
 $\#C_{ij} = r_i r_j (r_i + 1)/2$
- $D_{ij} = \{\text{linear in } (X_i) \text{ and quadratic in } (X_j)\} (i < j)$   
 $\#D_{ij} = r_i r_j (r_j + 1)/2$
- $C_{ijl} = \{\text{linear in } (X_i), (X_j) \text{ and } (X_l)\} (i < j < l)$   
 $\#C_{ijl} = r_i r_j r_l$

$C_{ij}$  and  $D_{ij}$  cannot co-exist in  $g(X)$ . If we have  $X_i^2 X_j$  and  $X_i X_j^2$  in  $g(X)$  at the same time, we must have  $\alpha_i^2 \alpha_j = \alpha_i \alpha_j^2$  which is impossible. Similarly, for each  $1 \neq i \leq s$ , at most one out of classes

$$D_{1,i}, \dots, D_{i-1,i}, C_i, C_{i,i+1}, \dots, C_{i,s} \quad (4.0.4)$$

can appear in  $g(X)$ . Now we define  $E_{ij}$  as follows:

- a) If both  $C_{ij}$  and  $D_{ij}$  are absent in  $g(X)$ , then  $E_{ij} = C_{ij} \cup D_{ij}$
- b) If  $C_{ij}$  is absent but  $D_{ij}$  is present in  $g(X)$ , then  $E_{ij} = C_{ij} \cup C_j$
- c) If  $C_{ij}$  is present in  $g(X)$ , then  $E_{ij} = D_{ij} \cup C_i$

If  $C_i \subset E_{ij} \cup E_{il} (i < j < l)$ , then  $C_{ij}$  and  $C_{il}$  co-exist in  $g(X)$ , which is impossible. Similarly  $C_i \subset E_{ji} \cup E_{li} (j < l < i)$  is impossible. If  $C_i \subset E_{ij} \cup E_{li} (l < i < j)$ , then both  $C_{ij}$  and  $D_{li}$  appear in  $g(X)$ , which is again impossible. Therefore the sets  $E_{ij} (i < j)$  are disjoint. On the other hand, we can check that

$\#E_{ij} \geq 2r_i r_j$ , where the equality can hold only when  $r_i = r_j = 1$ . Since all  $E_{ij}$  are absent in  $g(X)$ , at least  $\sum \#E_{ij}$  monomials are missing and we have  $\sum \#E_{ij} \leq 2\sum r_i r_j$ , the equality holds only when  $s = m, r_1 = r_2 = \dots = r_m = 1$ . In that case, since  $m \geq 4$ , at least one of  $X_1 X_2 X_3$  and  $X_1 X_2 X_4$  is absent in  $g(X)$  also.

*II Unipotent case.* Let  $A \in GL(m, k)$  be a unipotent matrix,  $A \neq E$  and let  $f(X)$  be a polynomial of degree  $d \geq 3$  which is semi-invariant under  $A$ . Since  $A$  is unipotent, we have  $f(X)$  is actually invariant under  $A$ . Let  $J$  be the jordan normal form of  $A$ . We assume that the blocks in  $J$  are in the order of increasing size. For  $1 \leq i \leq m-1$  we have  $J(X_i) = X_i + \varepsilon_i X_{i+1}$ , and  $J(X_m) = X_m$ , where  $\varepsilon_i = 1$  or  $0$ . We say  $J$  is of type  $(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_{m-1})$ . We call that an index is regular if  $\varepsilon_i = 1$ . We define a number  $\alpha(J)$  by

$$\alpha(J) = \sum \left( \binom{i+1}{2} + 1 \right) \quad (4.0.5)$$

where the sum runs over the regular indices of  $J$ . Then we have the following estimates.

**Lemma 4.0.2.** *Let  $g(X)$  be a form of degree  $d \geq 3$  which is transformed into itself by  $J$ . Then the coefficients of  $g$  satisfy at least  $\alpha(J)$  linearly independent linear relations with coefficients in  $k_0$ .*

**Lemma 4.0.3.** *Let  $A$  be a unipotent matrix with Jordan form  $J$ . Then  $\alpha(J) > t.d.(A/k_0)$ .*

With these two lemmas, now we can prove our theorem. Let  $T$  be matrix with algebraic coefficients over  $k_0(A_{ij})$  such that  $TA = JT$ . Let  $f(X) = g(TX)$ . Then  $g(JTX) = g(TAX) = f(AX) = f(X) = g(TX)$ . So  $g$  is transformed into itself by  $J$ . By Lemma 5.2, the coefficients of  $g(X)$  satisfy at least  $\alpha(J)$  linear independent linear relation with coefficients in  $k_0$ . Now we define  $dim(g(X)) = tr.d(k_0(a_i)/k_0)$ , where  $a_i$  are coefficients of  $g(X)$ . So we have  $dim(g(X)) \leq \binom{n+1+d}{d} - \alpha(J)$ . Now consider the map:  $\{g(X) = g(JX)\} \times \{T|TA = JT\} \rightarrow g(TX) = f(X)$ , we have  $dim(g(X)) = \binom{n+1+d}{d} - tr.d(A_{ij}/k_0)$ . However, we have  $tr.d(A_{ij}/k_0) \leq \alpha(J)$ . It's a contradiction.  $f(X)$  can't be generic.

Now we only need to prove Lemma 2 and Lemma 3. To prove Lemma 2, we order the monomials of degree  $d$  lexicographically;  $\prod X_i^{a_i} < \prod X_i^{b_i}$  if  $a_i = b_i, a_s < b_s$  ( $i < s$ ). Now if  $\mu = \prod X_i^{a_i}$ , then we have:

$$\mu(J(X)) = \prod (X_i + \varepsilon_i X_{i+1})^{a_i} = \mu(X) + \sum_{\nu < \mu} c_{\mu\nu} \cdot \nu(X) \quad (4.0.6)$$

If we regard  $J$  as a transformation on the space  $H^0(\mathcal{O}_P(d))$ , then  $J$  has the form  $E + \delta$ , where  $\delta = (c_{\mu\nu})$

is strictly triangular. Now suppose that  $g(X) = \sum_{\mu} a_{\mu} \cdot \mu(X)$  such that  $g(JX) = g(X)$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 g(J(X)) &= \sum_{\mu} a_{\mu} \cdot \mu(JX) \\
 &= \sum_{\mu} a_{\mu} (\mu(X) + \sum_{\nu < \mu} c_{\mu\nu} \cdot \nu(X)) \\
 &= \sum_{\mu} a_{\mu} \cdot \mu + \sum_{\nu} (\sum_{\mu} c_{\mu\nu} \cdot a_{\mu}) \cdot \nu \\
 &= \sum_{\mu} a_{\mu} \cdot \mu
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.0.7}$$

Comparing coefficients we get that  $\sum_{\nu < \mu} c_{\mu\nu} a_{\nu} = 0$ . Thus the coefficients of  $g$  satisfy rank  $(c_{\mu\nu})$  linearly independent equations with coefficients in  $k_0$ . If  $\mu$  is any monomial, let  $\mu'$  be its predecessor in the lexicographic order. If  $\mu$  is regular for  $J$  if  $c_{\mu\mu'} \neq 0$ . Since  $(c_{\mu\nu})$  has strict triangular form, rank  $(c_{\mu\nu})$  is at least equal to the number of regular  $\mu$ . Thus we must show:

**Lemma 4.0.4.** *There at least  $\alpha(J)$  regular monomials.*

Suppose  $s$  is a regular index for  $J$ , and let  $\mu = (\prod_{i=1}^s X_i^{a_i}) \cdot X_m^{a_m}$ , then  $\mu' = (X_{s+1}/X_s) \cdot \mu$  and we see easily that  $c_{\mu\mu'} = a_s$ . In particular, if the characteristic  $p$  does not divide  $a_s$ , then  $\mu$  is regular. Now fix a regular index  $s$ . If  $a_s = 1$ , the number of monomials of the form  $(\prod_{i=1}^s X_i^{a_i}) \cdot X_m^{a_m}$  is the number of monomials of degree  $d-1$  in  $X_1, \dots, X_{s-1}$  and  $X_m$ , i.e.  $\binom{s+d-2}{d-1}$ . Furthermore, since  $d \geq 3$ , there is a regular monomial of the form  $X_s^2 X_m^{d-2}$ , or  $X_s^3 X_m^{d-3}$ , depending on the characteristic. Thus there are at least  $\sum_s (\binom{s+d-2}{d-1} + 1)$  regular monomials in all where  $s$  runs over the regular indices for  $J$ . Since this function is monotonic increasing in  $d$ , and  $d \geq 3$ , the lemma is proved. Now we need to prove Lemma 3. The idea is that each regular index in  $J$  gives a contribution of about  $m^2/2$  to  $\alpha(J)$ , and  $t.d.(A_{ij}/k_0) \leq m^2$ . Then if we have 3 regular indices, we are done. If we have fewer than 3 regular indices, then we need finer estimates on  $k_0(A_{ij})/k_0$ .

We begin with a lemma about upper bound for  $t.d.(k_0(N_{ij})/k_0)$  where  $N$  is a nilpotent matrix.

**Lemma 4.0.5.** *Suppose that  $N$  is an  $m$  by  $m$  nilpotent matrix. Let  $V_i = \text{image of } N^i$ , and  $\beta_i = \dim V_i$ . Then  $\beta_0 > \beta_1 > \beta_2 > \dots$ . We say that  $N$  is of type  $(\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots)$ . Let  $\beta(N) = 2 \sum_0^{\infty} (\beta_i - \beta_{i+1}) \beta_{i+1}$ . Then we have*

$$t.d(k_0(N_{ij}/k_0)) \leq \beta(N) \tag{4.0.8}$$

$N$  is determined by the subspace  $V_1$  of  $V_0$  and by the images in  $V_1$  of a set of generators of  $V_0/V_1$  under  $N$ .  $V_1$  depends on at most  $(\beta_0 - \beta_1)\beta_1$  parameters, the same holds true for the images of the  $\beta_0 - \beta_1$

generators of  $V_0/V_1$ . Then use induction we can get the result.

Now we are ready to prove Lemma 5.3. Let  $A = E + N'$ ,  $J = E + N$ . Then  $t.d.(k_0(A_{ij}/k_0)) \leq \beta(N') = \beta(N)$ . There are four cases to consider, according to the maximum of the sizes of the blocks of  $J$ . (The blocks are arranged in the increasing order of size)

- (1) If  $J$  is of type  $(\dots, 1, 1, 1)$  then  $t.d.(k_0(A_{ij})/k_0) \leq m^2 - m$ . For  $\beta(N) \leq m^2 - m$  always.
- (2) If  $J$  is of type  $(\dots, 0, 1, 1)$  then  $t.d.(k_0(A_{ij})/k_0) \leq \frac{2}{3}m^2$ . For  $N^3 = 0$  in this case, and  $N$  is of type  $(m, \gamma, \delta, 0)$
- (3) If  $J$  is of type  $(\dots, 1, 0, 1)$  then  $t.d.(k_0(A_{ij})/k_0) \leq \frac{1}{2}m^2$ . For  $N^2 = 0$  in this case, and  $N$  is of type  $(m, \delta, 0)$
- (4) If  $J$  is of type  $(\dots, 0, 0, 1)$  then  $t.d.(k_0(A_{ij})/k_0) \leq 2m - 2$ . In this case, and  $N$  is of type  $(m, 1, 0)$

Now let us estimate  $\alpha(J)$  in the 4 cases. In case (1),  $m - 1$ ,  $m - 2$  and  $m - 3$  are all regular for  $J$ . Thus  $\alpha(J) \geq \binom{m}{2} + \binom{m-1}{2} + \binom{m-2}{2} + 3$ . The other cases are similar. Thus we are reduced to proving the following four inequalities. If  $m \geq 4$ , then:

- (1)  $\binom{m}{2} + \binom{m-1}{2} + \binom{m-2}{2} + 3 > m^2 - m$
- (2)  $\binom{m}{2} + \binom{m-1}{2} + 2 > \frac{2}{3}m^2$
- (3)  $\binom{m}{2} + \binom{m-2}{2} + 2 > \frac{1}{2}m^2$
- (4)  $\binom{m}{2} + 1 > 2m - 2$

This completes the proof of Lemma 5.3. □

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