

i.e.,  $k \leq m/2$ .

⌈ Suppose  $\mathbb{P}^{m+1} = \langle e_0, e_1, \dots, e_k, \dots, e_{m+1} \rangle$  and  $\Lambda_k = \langle e_0, e_1, \dots, e_k \rangle$ .

From  $\{e_{k+1}, \dots, e_{m+1}\}$ , form a  $(m-k-1)$ -dimensional plane  $\mathbb{P}^{m-k-1}$ .

$$\Rightarrow \langle \mathbb{P}^{m-k-1}, \Lambda_k \rangle \cong \mathbb{P}^m.$$

Thus the question is "How many  $\mathbb{P}^{m-k-1}$  planes in  $\mathbb{P}^{m-k}$ ?"  
more precisely, "what is the dimension of the set of all  $\mathbb{P}^{m-k-1}$  planes in  $\mathbb{P}^{m-k}$ ?"

$\Rightarrow$  The dimension is the dimension of the hyperplanes in  $\mathbb{P}^{m-k}$ , so the dimension is  $m-k$ .

Thus since  $G(p)$  contains  $\Lambda$ ,  $p \in \Lambda$ ,  $G(p)$  lies in the set of all hyperplanes containing  $\Lambda$  which is of dimension  $(m-k)$ .  $\Rightarrow$  The image  $G(\Lambda)$  lies entirely in the  $(m-k)$ -dimensional subspace of  $\mathbb{P}^{m+1}$  of planes through  $\Lambda$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Since  $G(\Lambda)$  form a  $k$ -dimensional linear subspace of  $\mathbb{P}^{m+1}$ ,  $k \leq m-k \Rightarrow k \leq m/2$ .  $\square$

To prove the remainder of the proposition we use an induction on  $n$ . Let  $\Sigma'_n \subset G(n+1, 2n+3)$  be the set of  $n$ -planes  $\Lambda$  lying on a smooth quadric  $F$  of odd dimension  $2n+1$  in  $\mathbb{P}^{2n+2}$ , and  $\Sigma_n \subset G(n+1, 2n+2)$  the family of  $n$ -planes on a smooth  $F_{2n} \subset \mathbb{P}^{2n+1}$ .

⌈ The set of  $n$ -planes  $\Lambda$  on  $F$  of odd dim.  $2n+1$  in  $\mathbb{P}^{2n+1}$  is contained in  $G(n+1, 2n+3)$ . Similarly,  $\Sigma_n \subset$