

$\pi^{-1}(H_\lambda) \xrightarrow{\pi} H_\lambda \Rightarrow$ The situation is as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{C}^2 & \xrightarrow{\pi} & \mathbb{C}^2 \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{C} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ x & & p \end{array} \quad (f=0) = S \cap H_\lambda$$

(H_λ either contains a point $p \in R$ or is tangent to S)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial f \circ \pi}{\partial x_i} = \sum_j \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_j} \frac{\partial p_j}{\partial x_i} = 0 \text{ since } \frac{\partial f}{\partial p_j} = 0 \quad (\downarrow).$$

$\Rightarrow (f \circ \pi = 0)$ is singular at x .

\Rightarrow

In the first case, we can write

$$C_\lambda = \tilde{C}_\lambda + X_p.$$

with — by taking H_λ generic — \tilde{C}_λ a smooth curve meeting X_p in two distinct points.

For generic H_λ , $H_\lambda \cap S$ is singular with a double point as the only singularity. Clearly $C_\lambda = X_p + \overline{\pi^{-1}(H_\lambda \cap S) - p} \Rightarrow \tilde{C}_\lambda = \overline{\pi^{-1}(H_\lambda \cap S) - p}$.

I guess that a desingularization is a generalization of blow-ups. \Rightarrow Then I can accept \tilde{C}_λ is smooth. And $\tilde{C}_\lambda \cap X_p = \{ \text{distinct two points} \}$ \Rightarrow

Now \tilde{C}_λ is the desingularization of the plane quartic $H_\lambda \cap S$ having one double point at p , and so has genus 2; since X_p is a line and meets \tilde{C}_λ in two points,