

dimension $2n-1$ in $\mathbb{P}^{2n} \Rightarrow$ By the assumption of the induction, since \tilde{F}_{2n-1} contains an irreducible $n(n+1)/2$ -dimensional family of $(n-1)$ -planes, Σ'_{2n-1} is irreducible of dimension $n(n+1)/2$.

Note that $\pi_1: I \rightarrow \tilde{F}$ is onto, for, given any $p \in \tilde{F}$, $T_p(\tilde{F}) \cap \tilde{F}$ is the cone through p over a smooth quadric \tilde{F}_{2n-1} , and by the assumption of the induction \tilde{F}_{2n-1} has a $(n-1)$ -plane. So the n -plane spanned by p and a $(n-1)$ -plane in \tilde{F}_{2n-1} is what we want, i.e., $\pi_1^{-1}(p) \neq \emptyset$.

$\Rightarrow \pi_1: I \rightarrow \tilde{F}$ is a smooth fibration $\Rightarrow I$ is irreducible of dim $2n+1 + n(n+1)/2$.
 \uparrow consider the choosing the generic $2n$ -plane
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Finally, since the map $\pi_2: I \rightarrow \Sigma'_n$ has fiber dimension n , we see that Σ'_n is irreducible of dimension

$$\frac{n(n+1)}{2} + 2n+1 - n = \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2},$$

and part 1 of our proposition is proved.

\square Since I is irreducible and $\pi_2(I) = \Sigma'_n$, Σ'_n is irreducible. $\Rightarrow \frac{n(n+1)}{2} + 2n+1 = \dim \Sigma'_n + n \cdot \dim \text{ of fiber of } \pi_2$

$$\Rightarrow \dim \Sigma'_n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} + 2n+1 - n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} + n+1 = \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2} \quad \square$$

Now let $F_{2n} \subset \mathbb{P}^{2n+1}$ be a smooth quadric; again, we set