

For example, let  $n=3$ ,  $V = \mathbb{P}^2$  and

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{rank of } Q = 4.$$

$$\Rightarrow F = \sum_{i,j=0}^3 q_{ij} X_i X_j \text{ is smooth.}$$

$$F' = F \cap V = X_1^2 + 2X_1X_2 + 2X_2^2$$

$$\frac{\partial F'}{\partial X_0} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial F'}{\partial X_1} = 2X_1 + 2X_2$$

$$\frac{\partial F'}{\partial X_2} = 4X_2 + 2X_1$$

$\Rightarrow F'$  is singular at  $[(1, 0, 0)]$ , despite

$V$  does not intersect with the singular set of  $F$ .  $\Rightarrow$  "Any plane in  $\mathbb{P}^n$  disjoint from  $\Lambda$  intersects  $F$  smoothly." does not mean that any plane disjoint from  $\Lambda$  intersects  $F$  transversely i.e.  $V \cap F$  is smooth, where  $V$  is a plane disjoint from  $\Lambda$ .  $\square$

We can see most of this in terms of the Gauss map

$$G: F \longrightarrow \mathbb{P}^{n*}$$

defined by sending a point  $p \in F$  to its tangent plane  $T_p(F) \in \mathbb{P}^{n*}$ . Since the tangent plane to the quadric given by  $Q$  above at a point  $p = [a_0, \dots, a_n]$  is

$$T_p(F) = \left( \sum_{i,j} q_{ij} a_j X_i = 0 \right),$$