

17 Let $S = F \cap \sigma(h)$ be the smooth conic curve in $\sigma(h)$.

We may assume that $\sigma(h) = \{[* , * , * , 0 , 0 , 0]\}$, and

$S = X_0^2 + X_1^2 + X_2^2 = 0$. Suppose $\tilde{\phi}(a_0 X_0 + a_1 X_1 + a_2 X_2 = 0) \in$

S , where $\tilde{\phi} : G(2, 4) \rightarrow G \subset \mathbb{P}^5$.

\Rightarrow Assume $a_2 \neq 0 \Rightarrow [1, 0, -\frac{a_0}{a_2}, 0, \dots] \& [0, 1, -\frac{a_1}{a_2},$

$0, \dots]$ lie in $a_0 X_0 + a_1 X_1 + a_2 X_2 = 0$

$\Rightarrow \tilde{\phi}(a_0 X_0 + a_1 X_1 + a_2 X_2 = 0) = (e_1 - \frac{a_0}{a_2} e_3) \wedge (e_2 - \frac{a_1}{a_2} e_3)$

$= e_1 \wedge e_2 - \frac{a_0}{a_2} e_3 \wedge e_2 - \frac{a_1}{a_2} e_1 \wedge e_3$ by P256.

\Rightarrow Since $[1, -\frac{a_1}{a_2}, +\frac{a_0}{a_2}]$ lies in S ,

$$1 + \left(\frac{a_1}{a_2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{a_0}{a_2}\right)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow a_0^2 + a_1^2 + a_2^2 = 0$$

Conversely, given a line $a_0 X_0 + a_1 X_1 + a_2 X_2 = 0$ with $a_0^2 + a_1^2 + a_2^2 = 0$, we can show that the line is tangent to $S = X_0^2 + X_1^2 + X_2^2 = 0$. Assume $a_0 \neq 0$.

$X_0 = -\frac{a_1}{a_0} X_1 - \frac{a_2}{a_0} X_2$. Plug in S .

$$\left(-\frac{a_1}{a_0} X_1 - \frac{a_2}{a_0} X_2\right)^2 + X_1^2 + X_2^2 = 0$$

$$\frac{a_1^2}{a_0^2} X_1^2 + \frac{a_2^2}{a_0^2} X_2^2 + \frac{2a_1 a_2}{a_0^2} X_1 X_2 + X_1^2 + X_2^2 =$$

$$\frac{a_1^2 + a_0^2}{a_0^2} X_1^2 + \frac{a_2^2 + a_0^2}{a_0^2} X_2^2 + \frac{2a_1 a_2}{a_0^2} X_1 X_2$$

$$= -\frac{a_2^2}{a_0^2} X_1^2 - \frac{a_1^2}{a_0^2} X_2^2 + \frac{2a_1 a_2}{a_0^2} X_1 X_2 = -\left(\frac{a_2}{a_0} X_1 - \frac{a_1}{a_0} X_2\right)^2$$

$$= 0 \Rightarrow a_1 X_2 = a_2 X_1 \Rightarrow X_2 = a_2 X_1 = a_1 \Rightarrow X_0 = a_0$$

$\Rightarrow a_0 X_0 + a_1 X_1 + a_2 X_2 = 0$ is tangent to S at

$$[a_0, a_1, a_2].$$