

**The configuration of a finite
set on surface
(Revised)**

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§ 0. Introduction

Let S be a smooth surface in \mathbf{P}^n and m be an integer with $n \geq m \geq 2$. For any m different points on S , if they are linearly dependent we say this set is special. Let M be the collection of all these special sets, then M is a scheme with a natural algebro-geometric structure. We can show that, when $n = 3m - 2$ and S is in general position, M is a finite scheme. We denote the degree of M by $\nu(s)$ which is intuitively the number of the points in M possibly with multiplicities.

S.K. Donaldson posed a conjecture about this case in [2]:

“Conjecture 5. There is a universal formula for expressing $\nu(s)$ in terms of m , the Chern numbers of S , the degree of S in \mathbf{P}^{3m-2} , and the intersection number of the canonical class S with the restriction of the hyperplane class.”

He pointed out this enumerative problem has something to do with Yang-Mills invariants.

In this paper we give an affirmative answer for the conjecture. But the formula for expressing $\nu(s)$ is complicated for writing down explicitly though there is an algorithm for computing it.

In § 1 we explain the meaning about “general position” in the present case and give the basic construction for computing $\nu(s)$. In § 2 all of the objects considered in § 1 are lifted to some projective vector bundle where it is comparatively easier for computation. In § 3 we prove the main theorem by computing some Segre classes.

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§ 1. Preliminaries

In sequels we assume the ground field is algebraically closed with characteristics $\neq 2$.

Let $m \geq 2$ be an integer and $n = 3m - 2$.

Let $\mathbf{P}^n = \mathbf{P}(V^\vee)$ be the n -projective space, where V is a vector space of dimension $n + 1$ over the ground field, and we chose a basis e_0, \dots, e_n for V once for ever. Let $Y = (\mathbf{P}^n)^m$, the m -cross product of \mathbf{P}^n , and let $X = (S)^m$, where S is a smooth surface in \mathbf{P}^n which is in general position in a sense as follows.

Definition. S is in general position if, except for a finite number of the sets consisting of m points on S , every other such set is linearly independent, including the case when k of m points are replaced by a $(k - 1)$ -plane which tangents to S at a point of S .

We call the exceptional set a special set. For $m = 2$, every smooth surface in \mathbf{P}^4 is automatically in general position.

For $m \geq 3$ we have the following proposition:

Proposition 1.1. Let $i : S \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^n$ be a non-degenerate embedding, then there exists a re-embedding $j : S \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^n$ by a generic projection from \mathbf{P}^{n+1} to \mathbf{P}^n such that $j(s)$ is in general position.

Proof: Let $i^*O_{\mathbf{P}^n}(1) = O(1)$, then i is determined by a linear system belonging to $O(1)$.

First we shall show that, there exists an integer N_0 such that for every $N \geq N_0$, on the image of the embedding φ determined by $O(N)$ every m points are linearly independent.

In fact, let Z be a subscheme of m points on S with reduced structure and J_Z be the sheaf of ideal defining Z in S . We have an exact sequence

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \rightarrow H^0(S, J_Z(N)) \rightarrow H^0(S, O(N)) \xrightarrow{\alpha} H^0(S, O_Z(N)) \\ \rightarrow H^1(S, J_Z(N)) \rightarrow H^1(S, O(N)) \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\dim H^0(S, O_Z(N))$ is the number of the points in Z , we see from the sequence that, if $H^1(S, J_Z(N)) = 0$ $\dim H^0(S, J_Z(N))$ is the dimension of the smallest subspace which contains Z . Therefore, if $H^1(S, J_{Z'}(N)) = 0$ for every (reduced) subscheme $Z' \subset Z$, then the points of Z are linearly independent.

By Cartan-Serre Theorem B [4], there exists N_0 such that whenever $N \geq N_0$ we have $H^1(S, J_{Z'}(N)) = 0$ for all $Z' \subset Z$. Now we have to prove that N_0 depends only on m rather than on the position of Z . As a standard method we take Z as a subscheme of \mathbf{P}^n and let the ideal defining Z in \mathbf{P}^n be I_Z and the ideal defining S in \mathbf{P}^n be I_S , then we have an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow I_S \rightarrow I_Z \rightarrow I_Z \rightarrow 0.$$

In the long exact sequence of the above sequence we see that, the vanishing of $H^1(S, J_Z(N))$ is a consequence of the vanishing of $H^1(\mathbf{P}^n, I_Z(N))$ and $H^2(\mathbf{P}^n, J_S(N))$. But on \mathbf{P}^n , $H^1(\mathbf{P}^n, I_Z(N)) = 0$ for N sufficiently large depends only on $\#Z$ (by the homogeneity of \mathbf{P}^n or simply by induction on $\#Z$).

We continue to prove our proposition.

Let $r+1 = \dim H^0(S, O(N_0))$ and $\psi : S \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^r$ be the embedding determined by $O(N_0)$. We show that, for $r \geq n+2 = 3m$ a generic projection from \mathbf{P}^r to \mathbf{P}^{r-1} gives an embedding of S in \mathbf{P}^{r-1} and preserves the independence of any m points on S . Indeed, the subscheme consisting of all the $(m-1)$ -planes in \mathbf{P}^r spanned by any m points on S (including the case when k of m points is a $(k-1)$ -plane which tangents to S) has dimension $3m-1$. Therefore a projection with a generic point as center meets our need. We proceed like this till we arrive at \mathbf{P}^{3m-1} . Then taking a generic point of \mathbf{P}^{3m-1} as center we have a projection which preserves the independence of m points on S except for a finite number of these sets, and in this case anyone of these exceptional sets spans a $(m-2)$ -plane.

Hereafter we always assume the surface S is in general position in the above sense.

Our main idea for solving the conjecture is as follows. Let $j : X \rightarrow Y$, $j = i \times \dots \times i$, $P = (p_1, \dots, p_m) \in X$, and $p_i = (\xi_{i0}, \dots, \xi_{in})$ be the homogeneous coordinates of p_i in \mathbf{P}^n with respect to the fixed basis of V . Then, p_1, \dots, p_m being in special position means $rk(\xi_{ij}) \leq m-1$. We would like to construct a morphism φ between two locally free sheaves such that φ can be expressed locally by the matrix (ξ_{ij}) , then in the $(m-1)$ -degeneracy of φ the finite part is what we need.

Let $q_i : X \rightarrow S$ be the i th projection and denote $q_i^*O(1)$ by H_i . Then the fiber of H_i^{-1} over P is the 1-subspace of V representing the point p_i . From the following exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow H_i^{-1} \xrightarrow{\varphi_i} V \otimes_{q_i} O_X \rightarrow q_i^* \Omega_{\mathbf{P}^n}^\vee(H_i^{-1}) \rightarrow 0$$

we have a morphism

$$\varphi : \bigoplus H_i^{-1} \xrightarrow{\bigoplus \varphi_i} \bigoplus V \otimes_{q_i} O_X \xrightarrow{\Sigma} V \otimes_k O_X.$$

φ is expressed locally by the matrix (ξ_{ij}) with respect to the basis of V . We shall study the degeneracy $D = D_{m-1}(\varphi)$ [5]. By Proposition 1.1, D is divided into two parts, D_0 and D_1 , where D_0 is a finite subscheme corresponding to the special sets of S and D_1 is a subscheme of X with positive dimension, supporting on the various diagonals of X . Let ν denote the number of the special sets on S , then $\deg D_0 = m!\nu$.

Formally, at present we may compute ν by Excess Formula [5] § 9.1, but it seems difficult technically. So we lift φ to the desingularization of D [1]. Let $S_{i_1 \dots i_k}$ with $i_1 < \dots < i_k$ be the (i_1, \dots, i_k) -diagonal of X , i.e. the image of $\Delta_{i_1 \dots i_k} \times id : S^{m-k+1} \rightarrow S^m$, where $\Delta_{i_1 \dots i_k}$ is the diagonal morphism from S to the i_1 th, ..., i_k th factor of X .

Let $Q = P(H_1^{-1} \oplus \dots \oplus H_m^{-1}) (= \mathbf{P}(H_1 \oplus \dots \oplus H_m))$, $p : Q \rightarrow X$ be the structure projection and $O(-1)$ be the universal subbundle on Q . We have a morphism on Q :

$$O(-1) \rightarrow p^* H_1^{-1} \oplus \dots \oplus p^* H_m^{-1}.$$

The composition of the morphism and $p^*\varphi$ gives

$$\psi : O(-1) \rightarrow V \otimes O_Q \xrightarrow{\sim} O^{n+1}.$$

Generally we could not assert that $p_*[D_0\psi] = [D_m(\varphi)]$ since φ does not have ‘‘correct’’ dimension [1] Ch. II. But by the assumption of ‘‘ S being in general position’’, out of $p^{-1}\left(\bigcup_{k \geq 2} S_{i_1 \dots i_k}\right)$ we have $p_*[D_0(\psi)] = [D(\varphi)]$ where the dimension is correct [1]. Therefore, $D(\psi)$ is divided into two parts: V_0 and V_1 , where V_0 is a finite scheme with degree $m!\nu$ and V_1 is a scheme supporting on $p^{-1}(US_{i_1 \dots i_k})$, defined by the Fitting ideal $F^n(\psi)$ [5]. ψ induces a section $r : Q \rightarrow O(1)^{n+1}$ then, if letting r_0 be the zero section, we have the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V_1 \cup V_0 & \rightarrow & Q \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \gamma_0 \\ Q & \rightarrow & O(1)^{n+1}. \end{array}$$

By the definition of intersection in [5], § 6.1,

$$\deg V_0 = \deg [Q^2] - \deg \left(\left(1 + c_1(O(1))^{n+1} \cdot s(V_1, Q) \right)_0 \right),$$

where $s(V_1, Q)$ is the Segre class of V_1 in Q and c_i is the notation of the i th Chern operator. By an easy computation we have $\deg [Q^2] = d^m$.

§ 2. Birational transformation

The next step is the computation of $s(V_1, Q)$. Since Segre class is birationally invariant [5], we shall construct a scheme being birationally isomorphic to Q and making the computation easier.

Let $\alpha_m : X_m \rightarrow X$ be the blowing-up of X with respect to $S_{1 \dots m}$, and $\beta_m : P(\alpha_m^* H_1^{-1} \oplus \dots \oplus \alpha_m^* H_m^{-1}) \rightarrow X_m$ be the pull-back of Q by α_m . Q_m is birationally isomorphic to Q .

Let X_{m-1} be the blowing-up of X_m with respect to $\cup S'_{i_1 \dots i_{m-1}}$ where $S'_{i_1 \dots i_{m-1}}$ is the strict transform of $S_{i_1 \dots i_{m-1}}$ with respect to α_m and $\{S'_{i_1 \dots i_{m-1}}\}$ for $i_1 < \dots < i_{m-1}$ are disjoint each other. We denote the composition of these two blowing-ups by $\alpha_{m-1} : X_{m-1} \rightarrow X$ and the pull-back of Q with respect to α_{m-1} by $\beta_{m-1} : Q_{m-1} = P(\alpha_{m-1}^* H_1^{-1} \oplus \dots \oplus \alpha_{m-1}^* H_m^{-1}) \rightarrow X_{m-1}$. In this case the strict transforms of all of $S_{i_1 \dots i_{m-2}}$ with respect to α_{m-1} are disjoint each other and we do the same thing as above until we arrive at

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_2 : \tilde{X} = X_2 &\rightarrow X \\ \beta_2 : \tilde{Q} = Q_2 &\rightarrow X_2, \end{aligned}$$

where $\tilde{Q} = P(\alpha_2^* H_1^{-1} \oplus \dots \oplus \alpha_2^* H_m^{-1})$.

Let $\gamma : \tilde{Q} \rightarrow Q$ be the composition of all of these pull-backs, which is a birational morphism. By the elementary property of Fitting ideal, $\gamma^{-1}(D(\psi))$ is defined locally by the 1-minors of the matrix representing $\gamma^* \psi : Q_{\tilde{Q}}(-1) \rightarrow \alpha_2^* H_1^{-1} \oplus \dots \oplus \alpha_2^* H_m^{-1} \rightarrow V_{\tilde{Q}}$. Since γ is an isomorphism out of $\beta_2^{-1} \alpha_2^{-1} \left(\bigcup_{k \geq 2} S_{i_1 \dots i_k} \right)$, $\gamma^{-1}(V_1)$ is the scheme defined by the n th Fitting ideal $F^n(\gamma^* \psi)$ near $\beta_2^{-1} \alpha_2^{-1} (\cup S_{i_1 \dots i_k})$. Now we should know the structure of $\gamma^{-1}(V_1)$ explicitly. For simplicity we denote $\alpha_2^* H_i^{-1}$ by \mathcal{H}_i^{-1} , $\alpha_2^{-1} S_{i_1 \dots i_k}$ by $\tilde{S}_{i_1 \dots i_k}$ and $\gamma^* \psi$ by $\tilde{\psi}$. Let k be an integer with $2 \leq k \leq m$. We are going to study the structure of $\gamma^{-1}(V_1)$ near $\beta_2^{-1} (\tilde{S}_{1 \dots k})$.

We begin with studying the local structure.

Taking a point $P \in \tilde{S}_{1 \dots k} \setminus \bigcup_I \tilde{S}_{1 \dots k I}$ with $\alpha_2(P) = (p_1, \dots, p_m)$, and $p_i = (\xi_{i0}, \dots, \xi_{im})$, where I is an index set and $\{\xi_{ij}\}$, $0 \leq j \leq n$, is the homogeneous coordinate of p_i in \mathbf{P}^n with respect to the basis given in § 1.

Near P (precisely, in the homogeneous local ring of \tilde{Q} over P) we have

$$\tilde{\psi}(e) = (a_1 \xi_{10} + \dots + a_m \xi_{m0})e_0 + \dots + (a_1 \xi_{1n} + \dots + a_m \xi_{mn})e_n,$$

where e is the base for $O(-1)$ over P , (a_1, \dots, a_m) is the coordinate of e in $\mathcal{H}_1^{-1} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathcal{H}_m^{-1}$. Therefore $\gamma^{-1}(V_1)$ is defined by ideal \mathfrak{a} where

$$\mathfrak{a} = (a_1 \xi_{10} + \dots + a_m \xi_{m0}, \dots, a_1 \xi_{1n} + \dots + a_m \xi_{mn}) \quad (1)$$

From the assumption of “ S being in general position” we see that $a_{k+1} = \dots = a_m = 0$. In fact, since p_k, \dots, p_m are different points on S and $k \geq 2$, the vectors representing these points in V are linearly independent; otherwise we would have an infinite number of special sets. Hence the degeneracy $D(\tilde{\psi})$ over P is defined by

$$(a_1 \xi_{10} + \dots + a_k \xi_{k0}, \dots, a_1 \xi_{1n} + \dots + a_k \xi_{kn}, a_{k+1}, \dots, a_m).$$

Since $p_1 = \dots = p_k$, near P we may assume $\xi_{10} = \dots = \xi_{k0} = 1$ without loss of generality, and then we may write $a_1 \xi_{1i} + \dots + a_k \xi_{ki}$ as $(a_1 + \dots + a_k) \xi_{1i} + a_2 (\xi_{2i} + \xi_{1i}) + \dots + a_k (\xi_{ki} - \xi_{1i})$. Therefore \mathfrak{a} is reduced to

$$\begin{aligned} (a_1 + \dots + a_k, a_{k+1}, \dots, a_m, a_2 (\xi_{21} - \xi_{11}) + \dots + a_k (\xi_{k1} - \xi_{11}), \dots, \\ a_2 (\xi_{2n} - \xi_{1n}) + \dots + a_k (\xi_{kn} - \xi_{1n})) \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

or by emphasizing the symmetry we write $(a_1 + \dots + a_k, a_{k+1}, \dots, a_m)$ as

$$(a_1 + \dots + a_k, a_1 + \dots + a_k + a_{k+1}, \dots, a_1 + \dots + a_m)$$

time to time. Denoting the zero locus of an ideal I by $V(I)$, then

$$V(\mathfrak{a}) = V(a_1 + \dots + a_k, a_{k+1}, \dots, a_m) \cap V(\mathfrak{a}'),$$

where \mathfrak{a}' is generated by those last n elements in the above expressing for \mathfrak{a} . We write the above argument as a proposition but in its global form.

Proposition 2.1. *Over $\tilde{S}_{i_1 \dots i_k}$ with $2 \leq k \leq m$, $D(\tilde{\psi})$ has a component $W_{i_1 \dots i_k}$ which is a projective bundle $P(E_{i_1 \dots i_k})$ over $\tilde{S}_{i_1 \dots i_k}$, where $E_{i_1 \dots i_k}$ is the kernel of the surjective morphism: $\mathcal{H}_{i_1}^{-1} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathcal{H}_{i_k}^{-1} \rightarrow H_{i_1}^{-1}$ with $\mathcal{H}_{i_k} = \dots = \mathcal{H}_{i_k} = \mathcal{H}$.*

Proof: We still work with $\tilde{S}_{1 \dots k}$ without loss of generality. By the above local argument $\tilde{\psi}$ is splitted into two parts:

$$O(-1) \rightarrow \oplus \mathcal{H}_i^{-1} \begin{array}{ccc} \nearrow & \mathcal{H}_1^{-1} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathcal{H}_k^{-1} & \searrow \\ & \oplus & \\ \searrow & \mathcal{H}_{k+1}^{-1} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathcal{H}_m^{-1} & \nearrow \end{array} V_{\tilde{Q}},$$

and $D(\tilde{\psi}) = D(\tilde{\psi}_1)$, where $\tilde{\psi}_1$ is the top arrow in the diagram.

The local assumption of “ $\xi_{i0} \neq 0$ for $1 \leq i \leq k$ ” globally means that, in $V^\vee = H^0(\mathbf{P}^n, O(1))$ we have chosen the sections which has non-zero coordinate ξ_0 at p_i . Therefore all of these sections generate $O(1)$, i.e.

$$H^0(\mathbf{P}^n, O(1)) \otimes O_{\mathbf{P}^n} \rightarrow O(1) \rightarrow 0.$$

Pulling back the morphism to \tilde{Q} by anyone of these projection, restricting it over $\tilde{S}_{1 \dots k}$ and taking the duality we have an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}^{-1} \rightarrow V_{\tilde{Q}} \rightarrow T_{\mathbf{P}^n}(\mathcal{H}^{-1})_{\tilde{Q}} \rightarrow 0$$

where $T_{\mathbf{P}^n} = \Omega_{\mathbf{P}^n}^\vee$. In this case $D_0(\tilde{\psi}_1) = D_0(O(-1) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}^{-1}) \cap D_0(O(-1) \rightarrow T_{\mathbf{P}^n}(\mathcal{H}^{-1})_{\tilde{Q}})$. On the other hand, the ideal $(\xi_{21} - \xi_{11}, \dots, \xi_{2n} - \xi_{1n}, \dots, \xi_{k1} - \xi_{11}, \dots, \xi_{kn} - \xi_{1n})$ defines the diagonal $S_{1 \dots k}$ in X . Then on \tilde{X} we have a principal factor for defining $\tilde{S}_{1 \dots k}$ from the ideal. Denoting the factor by $s_{1 \dots k}$, then at a generic point of $\tilde{S}_{1 \dots k}$ we have

$$\mathfrak{a}' = s_{1 \dots k} \cdot \mathfrak{a}''.$$

This implies that

$$\begin{aligned} V(\mathfrak{a}) &= V(a_1 + \dots + a_k, a_{k+1}, \dots, a_m, s_{1 \dots k}) \\ &\cup V(a_1 + \dots + a_k, a_{k+1}, \dots, a_m) \cap V(\mathfrak{a}''). \end{aligned}$$

Since $\tilde{S}_{1 \dots k}$ is irreducible then by taking closure we see that the first component in the expression is what we expect.

For the structure of \mathfrak{a}'' we have the following proposition.

Proposition 2.2 Over $\tilde{S}_{12\dots k}$ with $k \geq 3$, \mathfrak{a}'' is the first Fitting ideal of $O(-1) \rightarrow (\beta_2\alpha_2)^*T_s \otimes \mathcal{H}^{-1} \otimes \tilde{S}_{12\dots k}^{-1}$, and it defines a subscheme of $W_{12\dots k}$ consisting of $\bigcup_I \tilde{S}_{1\dots kI}$ and a component of codimension 2.

Proof: Let $P_s^1(1)$ denote the sheaf of the first principal part of $O_s(1)$, then we have a diagram as follows [4] [7].

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
& & & & 0 & & \\
& & & & \downarrow & & \\
& & & & \Omega_s(1) & & \\
& & & & \downarrow & & \\
0 & \rightarrow & N^\vee & \rightarrow & V_s & \xrightarrow{\alpha_1} & P_s^1(1) \rightarrow 0 \\
& & \downarrow & & \parallel & & \downarrow \\
0 & \rightarrow & \Omega_{\mathbf{P}^n}^{(1)}|_S & \rightarrow & V_s & \xrightarrow{\alpha_0} & O_s(1) \rightarrow 0 \\
& & \downarrow & & & & \\
& & \Omega_s(1) & & & & \\
& & \downarrow & & & & \\
& & 0 & & & &
\end{array}$$

The two rows in the diagram is exact because $O_s(1)$ is very ample, and the column on the left is exact by using Five Lemma. Obviously N^\vee is the sheaf of conormal of S in \mathbf{P}^n . From the definition of $P^1(1)$ we see that the local sections of $\Omega_{\mathbf{P}^n}(1)$ has its Taylor expansion with order ≥ 1 at any point on S . We claim that the local sections of $\Omega_{\mathbf{P}^n}(1)$ has its power expansion at any point of S exactly with order 1, i.e. $T_s(\mathcal{H}^{-1}) = s_{1\dots k}T_s(\mathcal{H}^{-1} \otimes S_{1\dots k}^{-1})$, $N(\mathcal{H}^{-1}) = S_{1\dots k}^2N(\mathcal{H}^{-1} \otimes S_{1\dots k}^{-2})$, where $T_s(\mathcal{H}^{-1} \otimes S_{1\dots k}^{-1})$ and $N(\mathcal{H}^{-1} \otimes S_{1\dots k}^{-1})$ is regular.

In fact, taking any smooth curve c on S (for example a section of $O(1)$) then by [8] we see that the first two gap numbers in the gap sequence of c with respect to V_c is 0, 1 since the ground field has characteristics $\neq 2$. This means the power series of one section of V_c has the form $at + \dots$ with $a \neq 0$ and where t is the local parameter of C and hence the claim is true.

In the proof of Proposition 2.1 we saw that over $\tilde{S}_{1\dots k}$ \mathfrak{a}'' is the $(n-1)$ th Fitting ideal of $O(-1) \rightarrow T_{\mathbf{P}^n}|_s(\mathcal{H}^{-1})$, now we have a splitting for $T_{\mathbf{P}^n}(\mathcal{H}^{-1})$ (shown in the above diagram). Therefore the Fitting ideal is the product of the first Fitting ideal of $O(-1) \rightarrow T_s(\mathcal{H}^{-1})$ and the $(n-3)$ th Fitting ideal of $O(-1) \rightarrow N_s(\mathcal{H}^{-1})$. Since $N(\mathcal{H}^{-1} \otimes \tilde{S}_{1\dots k}^{-2})$ is generated locally by some sections of $\text{sym}^i T_s(\mathcal{H}^{-1} \otimes \tilde{S}_{1\dots k}^{-1})$ with $i \geq 2$, [7], then over $\tilde{S}_{1\dots k}$ the $(n-1)$ th Fitting ideal of $O(-1) \rightarrow T_{\mathbf{P}^n}(\mathcal{H}^{-1})$ is the same as $F^1(O(-1) \rightarrow \tilde{S}_{1\dots k}T_s(\mathcal{H}^{-1} \otimes \tilde{S}_{1\dots k}^{-1}))$.

As for the last assertion in this proposition we note that, when we write down $F^{n-1}(O(-1) \rightarrow T_{\mathbf{P}^n}(\mathcal{H}^{-1}))$ explicitly we have by (2)

$$s_{1\dots k} \prod_{\#I \geq 1} s_{1\dots kI}(a_2x_{21} + \dots + a_kx_{k1}, \dots, a_2x_{2n} + \dots + a_kx_{kn})$$

where $x_{ij} = (\xi_{ij} - \xi_{ij}) \cdot \left(s_{1\dots k} \prod_{\#I \geq 1} s_{1\dots kI} \right)^{-1}$ and $(x_{21}, \dots, x_{2n}, \dots, \widehat{x_{i1}, \dots, x_{in}}, \dots, x_{k1}, \dots, x_{kn})$

is the ideal for defining the strict transform of $S_{1\dots i\dots k}$ with respect to α_{k+1} . $\{S'_{i\dots i\dots k}\}$ are disjoint each other for $i = 1, \dots, k$ and $k \geq 3$, therefore the rank of (x_{ij}) does not zero on an open set of $W_{1\dots k}$, and then the Fitting ideal defines $\sum_{\#I \geq 1} \tilde{S}_{1\dots kI}$ and a subscheme of $W_{1\dots k}$ with codimension 2 which is the zero locus of 2-bundle $T_s \left(\mathcal{H}^{-1} \otimes \tilde{S}_{1\dots k}^{-1} \otimes \prod_{\#I \geq 1} \tilde{S}_{1\dots kI}^{-1} \otimes O(1) \right)$ on $W_{1\dots k}$.

§ 3. Main Theorem

From Proposition 2.1 and 2.2 we see that $\gamma^{-1}(V_1)$ is defined by an ideal with the form $(s_{1\dots m} a, a_1 + \dots + a_m)$ over an open set containing $\beta_2^{-1}(\tilde{S}_{1\dots m})$ and hence on \bar{Q} by taking closure. By the definition of the Segre class $s(\gamma^{-1}(V_1), \bar{Q})$ we should blow up \bar{Q} with respect to the ideal $(s_{1\dots m} a, a_1 + \dots + a_m)$. In order to make the following statement simpler we fix some terms.

Definition. Let Y, \tilde{Y} be two schemes, J be an ideal sheaf on Y . The morphism $\pi : \tilde{Y} \rightarrow Y$ is said to be an effective resolution of Y with respect to J if π is a composition of π_1, \dots, π_l , where $\pi_i : Y_i \rightarrow Y_{i-1}$ is a birational morphism with $Y_0 = Y, Y_l = \tilde{Y}$ such that

- (1) $\pi^{-1}(J)$ is an invertible sheaf,
- (2) each π_i is a blowing up of Y_{i-1} with respect to a locally free sheaf.

What we shall show in this section is that, \bar{Q} has an effective resolution with respect to ideal $(s_{1\dots m} a, a_1 + \dots + a_m)$ and, for each π_i the Chern class of the locally free sheaf involved is expressed by the Chern classes of S, \mathcal{H} and $\tilde{S}_{1\dots k}$ with $k \geq 2$.

Theorem. $\nu(s)$ is expressed by a polynomial of the Chern numbers of S , the degree of S in \mathbb{P}^{3m-2} and the intersection number of the canonical class of S with the restriction of the hyperplane section; the coefficients and the degree of the polynomial depend only on m .

Proof: First we show that there exists an affective resolution of \bar{Q} with respect to the n th Fitting ideal of $\tilde{\psi}$ over $\bigcup_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} \tilde{S}_{ij}$ and the Chern classes of all of the normal bundles

involved are expressed by the Chern classes of $\Omega_s, c_1(O(1)), H$ and $\tilde{S}_{ij}, \tilde{S}_{ijI}$ with $\#I \geq 1$.

In fact, in this case the n th Fitting ideal of $\tilde{\psi}$ is the product of $(s_{ij} a'', a_i + a_j, \dots, a_1 + \dots + a_m)$ since $\{\tilde{S}_{ij}\}$ are disjoint by Proposition 2.1. Locally a_{ij} is written as

$\prod_{\#I \geq 1} s_{ijI}(a_j(\xi_{j1} - \xi_{i1})', \dots, a_j(\xi_{jn} - \xi_{in})')$, but $(\xi_{j1} - \xi_{i1}, \dots, \xi_{jn} - \xi_{in})$ is the ideal for defining S_{ij} in X and hence, after the blowing-ups in § 1, $((\xi_{j1} - \xi_{i1})', \dots, (\xi_{jn} - \xi_{in})') = 1$. Indeed, this shows that near \tilde{S}_{12} , $F^n(\tilde{\psi})$ is simply W_{12} described in Proposition 2.1. The normal bundle of W_{12} in \bar{Q} is

$$\left\{ \tilde{S}_{12} \oplus O(-1)\mathcal{H}_2^{-1} \otimes \oplus \dots \oplus O(-1) \otimes O(-1) \otimes \mathcal{H}_m^{-1} \right\} \otimes \prod_{\#I \geq 1} \tilde{S}_{12I}^{-1}.$$

Inductively assuming there exists an effective resolution of \bar{Q} with respect to $F^n(\tilde{\psi})$ near $\tilde{S}_{1\dots k-1}$ and the normal bundles of each blowing-up is expressed by $\tilde{S}_{1\dots kI}$ with $\#I \geq 0$, Ω_s , \mathcal{H}_i and $O(1)$, we shall construct an effective resolution of \bar{Q} with respect to $F^n(\tilde{\psi})$ near $\tilde{S}_{1\dots k}$. We saw in the beginning of § 2 $F^n(\tilde{\psi}) = (s_{1\dots k}a'', a_1 + \dots + a_k, \dots, a_1 + \dots + a_m)$ near $\tilde{S}_{1\dots k}$. By induction we have had an effective resolution with respect to $F^n(\tilde{\psi})$ near $\cup \tilde{S}_{i_1\dots i_{k-1}}$, denoted by \tilde{W} , then

$$\begin{aligned} & (s_{12\dots k}a'', a_1 + \dots + a_k, \dots, a_1 + \dots + a_m) \\ & = w(s_{12\dots k}a''', (a_1 + \dots + a_k)', \dots, (a_1 + \dots + a_m)') \end{aligned}$$

and $s_{12\dots k}$, $(a_1 + \dots + a_k)', \dots, (a_1 + \dots + a_m)'$ have no any common factor. The reason of this assertion is from the local expression (1), (2) in § 2. In fact, the intersection $(w, s_{1\dots k}, a'', a_1 + \dots + a_k, \dots, a_1 + \dots + a_m)$ is the same as $(w, s_{1\dots k}, a_1 + \dots + a_k, \dots, a_1 + \dots + a_m)$. On the other hand, what we just did means $(a''', (a_1 + \dots + a_k)', \dots, (a_1 + \dots + a_m)')$ is the residue ideal of $(a'', a_1 + \dots + a_k, a_1 + \dots + a_m)$ with respect to W , and then

$(a''', (a_1 + \dots + a_k)', \dots, (a_1 + \dots + a_m)')$ defines a subscheme which is supported over $\tilde{S}_{12\dots k}$. Therefore, if we blow up \bar{Q}' (the effective resolution of \bar{Q} with respect to W) along $\tilde{W} \cap \tilde{S}_{12\dots k}$ and denote the exceptional divisor by $\tilde{Z}_{12\dots k}$ we see from Proposition 2.2,

$$\begin{aligned} & (a''', (a_1 + \dots + a_k)', \dots, (a_1 + \dots + a_m)') \\ & = Z_{12\dots k} \left(\prod_{\#I \geq 1} s_{1\dots kI} a''', (a_1 + \dots + a_k)'', \dots, (a_1 + \dots + a_m)'' \right) \end{aligned}$$

where $(a''', (a_1 + \dots + a_k)'', \dots, (a_1 + \dots + a_m)'')$ is the locally free sheaf

$T_s \left(\mathcal{H}^{-1} \otimes O(1) \otimes \prod_{\#I \geq 0} \tilde{S}_{1\dots kI}^{-1} \right)$ over $\tilde{S}_{12\dots k}$. Blowing up \bar{Q}'' (the blowing-up of \bar{Q}' with respect to $\tilde{W} \cap \tilde{S}_{12\dots k}$) with respect to the locally free sheaf and denoting the exceptional divisor by $\tilde{G}_{1\dots k}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} & (sa'', a_1 + \dots + a_k, \dots, a_1 + \dots + a_m) \\ & = wzg \left(\prod_{\#I \geq 0} s_{1\dots kI}, (a_1 + \dots + a_k)'', \dots, (a_1 + \dots + a_m)'' \right). \end{aligned}$$

Finally we blow up \bar{Q}''' with respect to $\left(\prod_{\#I \geq 0} s_{1\dots kI}, (a_1 + \dots + a_k)'', (a_1 + \dots + a_m)'' \right)$ and denote the exceptional divisor by $\tilde{T}_{1\dots k}$. As for the normal bundles involved are as follows.

$N_W \bar{Q}$ is given by induction hypothesis.

$N_Z \bar{Q}'$ is $O(\tilde{W}) \oplus O(\tilde{S}_{1\dots k})$

$N_G \bar{Q}''$ is $T_s \left(\mathcal{H}^{-1} \otimes O(1) \otimes \prod_{\#I \geq 0} \tilde{S}_{1\dots kI}^{-1} \right) \oplus \tilde{S}_{12\dots k} \oplus \bigoplus_{i \geq 0} \mathcal{H}_{k+i}^{-1} \otimes O(1) \otimes \tilde{z}^{-1}$

$$N_T \bar{Q}''' \text{ is } \left(\sum_{\#I \geq 0} \tilde{S}_{1\dots kI} \right) \oplus \bigoplus_{i \geq 0} \mathcal{H}_{k+1}^{-1} \otimes O(1) \otimes \tilde{z}^{-1} \otimes \tilde{G}^{-1}.$$

Therefore there exists an effective resolution of \bar{Q} with respect to the ideal $F_0(\tilde{\psi})$ near $\cup \tilde{S}_{i_1\dots i_k}$, and the total exceptional divisor is

$$\tilde{W} + \Sigma \tilde{Z}_{i_1\dots i_k} + \Sigma \tilde{G}_{i_1\dots i_k} + \Sigma \tilde{T}_{i_1\dots i_k}.$$

The last step we need to do is to show $\left(\beta_{2*} \left(1 + c_1(O(1))^{n+1} \cdot s(V_1, \bar{Q}) \right) \right)_0$ can be expressed by $c_2(\Omega_s)$, K^2 , KH , d , where $K = c_1(\Omega_s^V)$, H is the hyperplane section of \mathbf{P}^n , $d = H_s^2$. But on \bar{Q} , $\beta_{2*} \left(c_1(O(1))^{(m-1)+i} \cdot \beta_{2*} a \right) = \frac{1}{(1-h_1)\dots(1-h_m)_i} \cdot a$, where a is a cycle on \tilde{X} . By the above argument, $\left(\beta_{2*} \left(1 + c_1(O(1))^{n+1} \cdot s(V_1, \bar{Q}) \right) \right)$ is a polynomial in terms of $\tilde{S}_{i_1\dots i_k}$, H_i , $c_2(\Omega_s)$, $c_1(\Omega_s)$. We push down $\left(\beta_{2*} \left(1 + c_1(O(1))^{n+1} \cdot s(V_1, \bar{Q}) \right) \right)_0$ by α_{2*} , the terms involved with $\tilde{S}_{i_1\dots i_k}$ give us the terms involved with $c_2(\Omega_s)$, $c_1(\Omega_s)$. The theorem is proved.

Example 1 $m = 2$. In this case S is a surface in \mathbf{P}^4 and $\nu = 0$. Theorem tells us

$$2\nu = d^2 - 10d - 5HK + c_2(S) - K^2 = 0$$

This is the well-known condition for a smooth surface embedded in \mathbf{P}^4 [4].

Example 2 [6] $m = 3$. In this case, S is a surface in \mathbf{P}^7 and ν is the number of trisecants of S . The total exceptional divisor is

$$\sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 3} \tilde{W}_{ij} + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 3} \tilde{Z}_{ij} + \tilde{G}_{123} + \tilde{T}_{123},$$

where W_{12} is the projective bundle $\mathbf{P}(E_{12})$ over \tilde{S}_{12} with $c_1(E_{12}) = c_1\mathcal{H}$, $Z_{12} = \left[\tilde{W}_{12} \right] \cdot \left[\tilde{S}_{123} \right]$, $G_{123} =$ the Zero locus of a generic section of $T_s \otimes \left(\mathcal{H}^{-1} \otimes \tilde{S}_{123}^{-1} \right)$, $T_{123} = \left[\tilde{S}_{123} \right] \cdot \left[O(1) \otimes \mathcal{H}^{-1} \otimes \left(\Sigma \tilde{Z}_{ij}^{-1} \right) \otimes \tilde{G}_{123}^{-1} \right]$. We have the following formula

$$6\nu = d^3 - 3d(10d + 5KH + K^2 - c_2) + 224d + 192KH + 56K^2 - 40c_2$$

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