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Quadratic complexes, singular varieties and moduli

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Abstract. Let G be the Grassmannian of lines in \mathbb{P}^3 embedded in \mathbb{P}^5 as the Plücker quadric Q . The intersection of Q with a second hypersurface of degree d is what is called a complex of lines of degree d . When we consider the intersection of Q with a second quadratic hypersurface in \mathbb{P}^5 , P , we have a quadratic complex. Let $X = Q \cap P$ be a quadratic complex that, in this talk, we assume to be non-singular, meaning X is non-singular.

The quadric Q contains a 3-dimensional family of planes parametrizing lines in \mathbb{P}^3 , going through a point. These are known in the literature as α -planes. An α -plane, $\alpha(p)$, intersects the quadric P in a conic $K_{\alpha(p)}$. The singular surface S associated to the quadratic complex X is defined to be the $p \in \mathbb{P}^3$ such that the plane $\alpha(p)$ corresponding to p intersects the quadric P in a singular conic $K_{\alpha(p)}$.

$$S = \{p \in \mathbb{P}^3 \text{ such that } \text{rank}(K_{\alpha(p)}) \leq 2\}$$

All this is very classical and can be read for instance in the book by Griffiths & Harris, *Principles of Algebraic Geometry*. In a joint paper with H. Lange, (D. Avritzer e H. Lange, *Moduli spaces of quadratic complexes and their singular surfaces*, Geom. Dedicata V. **127** (2007) p. 177-179.), we studied the moduli spaces associated to this objects not only when X is non-singular but also in the singular case. It turns out that there is an equivariant map defined that associates to a quadratic line complex X its singular surface S . The inverse image of a given singular surface S is what is called the Klein variety.

In this seminar, I will explain these ideas and their relationship with the moduli space of vector bundles a result that goes back to a famous paper of Narasimhan & Ramanan and was proved independently by P. Newstead.

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