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## ABSTRACT

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## CHAPTER 1

### Introduction

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More specifically, in Section 2.1, some basic definitions and concepts relevant to later chapters are described, such as the standard definitions of a graded algebra, a free algebra, and a quadratic algebra. Some more advanced standard concepts are also provided, such as those of Hilbert series, Koszul algebra, Ore extension of a ring, global homological dimension, Gelfand-Kirillov dimension, Artin-Schelter regularity,

and Cohen-Macaulay property. In Section 2.2, we recall the concept of a twist of a graded algebra by an automorphism as given in [2, Section 8]. We note that twisting by an automorphism is reflexive and symmetric, but, in general, not transitive. In Section 2.3, we provide Zhang's concept of a twisting system [16]. As explained in [16], twisting by an automorphism is an example of twisting by a twisting system, and that twisting by a twisting system is reflexive, symmetric and transitive. Also, certain important properties of a graded algebra are preserved by twisting using a twisting system, as discussed in [16], and are recalled in Section 2.2. We conclude Section 2.2 with the example of a nontrivial twisting system that was constructed by M. Vancliff and K. Van Rompay in [15].

In Chapter 3, in our generalization of the twisting systems found in [13, 15], we consider a quadratic algebra  $A = T(V)/\langle W \rangle$ , where  $V$  is a finite-dimensional vector space,  $T(V)$  is the tensor algebra on  $V$ , and  $W$  is a finite-dimensional subspace of  $V \otimes V$ . We consider two invertible linear maps  $t$  and  $\tau$  that are defined on  $T(V)$ , and satisfy  $t^\delta = \text{identity}$  and  $\tau^\delta \in \text{Aut}(A)$ , where  $\delta \in \mathbb{N}$ . Linear maps  $t_n : T(V) \rightarrow T(V)$  are defined, in terms of  $t$  and  $\tau$ , in Definition 3.1. We prove that  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a twisting system of  $T(V)$  in Lemma 3.3. Moreover,  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is proved in Theorem 3.6 to be a twisting system of  $A$  if it satisfies the hypotheses of Proposition 3.5. In Definition 3.7, we call such a twisting system a twisting system of type  $\mathbb{T}_\delta$ . The main content of Chapter 3 is to prove that the twisting system of type  $\mathbb{T}_\delta$  is well defined. In Corollary 3.9, we give some equivalent conditions for a twisting system of  $A$  to be of type  $\mathbb{T}_\delta$ . In particular, as shown in Corollary 3.9, if  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a twisting system of  $A$  of type  $\mathbb{T}_\delta$ , then it is a twisting system of  $A$  of type  $\mathbb{T}_{k\delta}$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Unlike the methods in [13, 15], our method of constructing twisting systems does not entail the use of any geometric data.



In Chapter 4, we illustrate our method for producing a nontrivial twisting system of type  $\mathbb{T}_\delta$  on an algebra that is proved in Chapter 5 to be a quadratic quantum  $\mathbb{P}^3$ , whose point scheme is given by a rank-2 quadric in  $\mathbb{P}^3$ . Specifically, we consider a family of quadratic algebras  $A(\rho) = T(V)/\langle W \rangle$ , where  $V$  is a four-dimensional vector space over a field  $\mathbb{k}$  and the subspace  $W$  of  $V \otimes V$  depends on a nonzero scalar  $\rho \in \mathbb{k}$ , and  $\text{char}(\mathbb{k}) \neq 2$ . We construct a nontrivial twisting system of  $A(\rho)$  of type  $\mathbb{T}_2$  (and so also of type  $\mathbb{T}_{2k}$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , by Corollary 3.9). In conclusion of Chapter 4, the twist of  $A(\rho)$  under the above twisting system  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is given.

In the first section of Chapter 5, we study the family of algebras  $A(\rho)$  that are used to produce the nontrivial twisting system example in Chapter 4. We show that each quadratic algebra  $A(\rho)$  satisfies several desirable properties, as stated in Theorem 5.1.9, such as being noetherian, Artin-Schelter regular of global dimension four, Auslander-regular, satisfying the Cohen-Macaulay property, having Hilbert series  $H(s) = (1 - s)^{-4}$  and being a domain. Consequently, these algebras are quadratic quantum  $\mathbb{P}^3$ s. In Section 5.2, we show that the point scheme of each quadratic algebra  $A(\rho)$  is given by a rank-2 quadric in  $\mathbb{P}^3$ ; that is, the point scheme is the union of two distinct planes in the projective space  $\mathbb{P}^3$  (Theorem 5.2.1). Such algebras are a new addition to the literature. Moreover, the zero locus of the defining relations of  $A(\rho)$  does not determine the defining relations of  $A(\rho)$  (Theorem 5.2.3). We conclude the dissertation by stating some possible future research.

## CHAPTER 2

### Preliminaries

We begin by defining some relevant terms in abstract algebra, after which we will briefly discuss the concepts of twisting a graded algebra by an automorphism and twisting a graded algebra using a twisting system. As shown in [16], twisting by an automorphism is a special case of twisting using a twisting system. Also, certain important properties of twisting using a twisting system, as discussed in [16], will be mentioned.

Most of the definitions in Section 2.1 can be found in [3, 4, 11]. Also, most of the content of Sections 2.2 and 2.3 is based on [2, Section 8] and [16].

Throughout the dissertation, the notation  $\mathbb{N}$  denotes the set of all positive integers,  $\mathbb{N}_0$  denotes the set  $\mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}$  denotes the set of all integers and  $\mathbb{k}$  denotes a field. If  $R$  is a ring, then  $R^\times$  denotes the set of nonzero elements in  $R$ .

#### 2.1 Some Abstract Algebra Definitions

**Definition 2.1.1.** (cf. [4, Pages 342 and 657])

Let  $R$  be a commutative ring with identity  $1_R$ . If  $A$  is a ring with identity  $1_A$  together with a ring homomorphism  $f : R \rightarrow A$  mapping  $1_R$  to  $1_A$  such that the subring  $f(R)$  of  $A$  is contained in the center of  $A$ , then  $A$  is called an  **$R$ -algebra**.

In particular, let  $\mathbb{k}$  be a field. A ring  $A$  is a  **$\mathbb{k}$ -algebra** if  $\mathbb{k}$  is contained in the center of  $A$ , and the unity element of  $\mathbb{k}$  is the unity element of  $A$ .

**Definition 2.1.2.** (cf. [11, Page 103])

Let  $R$  denote a nonzero ring. An element  $r$  of  $R$  is said to be **normal** in  $R$  if  $rR = Rr$ .

**Definition 2.1.3.** (cf. [11, Page 4])

A nonzero (possibly noncommutative) ring  $R$  is said to be a **domain** if the product of nonzero elements in  $R$  is always nonzero.

**Definition 2.1.4.** (cf. [3, Definition 1.1.1])

A  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra  $A$  is called  **$\mathbb{N}$ -graded** if it has a decomposition  $A = \bigoplus_{j=0}^{\infty} A_j$ , where  $A_i$  is an abelian group for all  $i$  and  $A_i A_j \subseteq A_{i+j}$  for all  $i, j \geq 0$ . Moreover, we view  $A_i = \{0\}$  whenever  $i < 0$ .

We say that an  $\mathbb{N}$ -graded  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra  $A$  is **connected** if  $A_0 = \mathbb{k}$ .

A nonzero element  $x$  in  $A$  is called **homogeneous of degree  $n$**  if  $x \in A_n$  for some  $n$ .

A left, or right, ideal  $I$  of  $A$  is called **homogeneous** if it is generated by homogeneous elements, or equivalently if  $I = \bigoplus_{j=0}^{\infty} (I \cap A_j)$ .

**Definition 2.1.5.** (cf. [3, Definition 1.2.1])

Let  $A$  be an  $\mathbb{N}$ -graded  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra. A left  $A$ -module  $M$  is **graded** if  $M$  has a decomposition  $M = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} M_n$ , where  $M_n$  is an abelian group for all  $n$  and  $A_i M_j \subseteq M_{i+j}$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}_0, j \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Let  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . A homomorphism of graded  $A$ -modules  $\phi : M \rightarrow N$  is a **graded homomorphism of degree  $k$**  if  $\phi(M_n) \subseteq N_{n+k}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

**Definition 2.1.6.** (cf. [3, Definition 1.1.3])

A  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra  $A$  is **finitely generated** if there is a finite set of elements  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in A$  such that the set

$$S = \{x_{i_1} \cdots x_{i_m} \mid 1 \leq i_j \leq n, m \in \mathbb{N}\} \cup \{1\}$$

spans  $A$  as a vector space over  $\mathbb{k}$ . In this case, the elements  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  are called the **generators** of  $A$ , and we say  $A$  is **generated** by  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ .

**Definition 2.1.7.** (cf. [3, Example 1.1.2])

If  $A$  is defined as in Definition 2.1.6, and if  $A$  has basis  $S$  as a vector space over  $\mathbb{k}$ , then we call  $A$  the **free algebra over  $\mathbb{k}$  on  $n$  generators  $x_1, \dots, x_n$** , and write  $A = \mathbb{k}\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$ . In this dissertation, the free algebra  $A = \mathbb{k}\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$  is connected and  $\mathbb{N}$ -graded, where  $A_d$  is the  $\mathbb{k}$ -span of all monomials  $x_{i_1} \cdots x_{i_d}$  in  $S$ .

**Remark 2.1.8.** (cf. [4, Page 443])

Let  $T(V) = \bigoplus_{j=0}^{\infty} V^{\otimes j}$  denote the tensor algebra of a finite-dimensional vector space  $V = \mathbb{k}x_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathbb{k}x_n$  where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . We note that  $T(V) \cong \mathbb{k}\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$ .

**Remark 2.1.9.** (cf. [3, Page 15])

A connected  $\mathbb{N}$ -graded  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra  $A$  (where  $A \neq A_0$ ) is finitely generated if and only if there is a surjective graded ring homomorphism from some free algebra  $\mathbb{k}\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$  to  $A$ . It follows that  $A \cong \mathbb{k}\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle / I$  for some homogeneous ideal  $I$  of  $\mathbb{k}\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$ .

**Definition 2.1.10.** (cf. [12, Page 6])

If  $A$  is an  $\mathbb{N}$ -graded  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra that is generated by homogeneous degree-one elements, where each defining relation of  $A$  is homogeneous of degree two, then  $A$  is called a **quadratic algebra**.

In particular, if  $A$  is a finitely generated quadratic  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra, then  $A \cong T(V)/\langle W \rangle$ , where  $T(V)$  is given in Remark 2.1.8 and  $W$  is a subspace of  $V \otimes V$ .

**Definition 2.1.11.** (cf. [7, Page 174])

Let  $A = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{\infty} A_i$  be an  $\mathbb{N}$ -graded  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra and let  $x$  denote a nonzero homogeneous element of  $A$ . We call  $x$   **$n$ -regular** if both the right and left multiplication of elements of  $A_i$  by  $x$  is injective on  $A_i$  for all  $i \leq n$ .

**Definition 2.1.12.** (cf. [8, Section 5.5])

For an  $\mathbb{N}$ -graded finitely generated  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra  $A = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{\infty} A_i$ , its **Hilbert series**  $H_A(s)$  is defined to be

$$H_A(s) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \dim(A_n) s^n.$$

**Definition 2.1.13.** (cf. [7, Page 173])

For a quadratic  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra  $A = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{\infty} A_i$  with defining relations given by a subspace  $W \subset A_1 \otimes A_1$ , the **Koszul dual** of  $A$  is defined as  $A^! = T(A_1^*)/\langle W^\perp \rangle$ , where  $A_1^*$  is the dual of the vector space  $A_1$  and  $W^\perp = \{X \in A_1^* \otimes A_1^* \mid Xx = 0 \text{ for all } x \in W\}$ .

**Definition 2.1.14.** (cf. [7, Page 173])

Let  $A$  be as given in Definition 2.1.13, where  $A_1$  has  $\mathbb{k}$ -basis  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ , and let  $\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$  denote the dual basis in  $A_1^*$ . The **Koszul complex** for  $A$  is the complex of free left  $A$ -modules

$$\cdots \rightarrow A \otimes (A_m^!)^* \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow A \otimes (A_1^!)^* \rightarrow A \otimes (A_0^!)^* \rightarrow {}_A\mathbb{k} \rightarrow 0,$$

where  ${}_A\mathbb{k}$  is the trivial left  $A$ -module and the differential is right multiplication by  $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \otimes X_i \in A \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} A^!$ . The algebra  $A$  is called a **Koszul algebra** if this complex is exact.

**Definition 2.1.15.** (cf. [5, Page 34], [11, Page 38])

Let  $R$  be a nonzero ring,  $\sigma$  a ring endomorphism of  $R$ , and  $\delta$  a left  $\sigma$ -derivation of  $R$  (in particular,  $\delta(rs) = \sigma(r)\delta(s) + \delta(r)s$  for all  $r, s \in R$ ). A ring  $A$  is called an

**Ore extension of  $R$**  if

1.  $A$  contains  $R$  as a subring,
2. there exists  $x \in A$  such that  $A$  is a free left  $R$ -module with basis  $\{1, x, x^2, \dots\}$ ,  
and
3.  $xr = \sigma(r)x + \delta(r)$  for all  $r \in R$ .

We write  $A = R[x; \sigma, \delta]$  in this case.

**Definition 2.1.16.** (cf. [1, Page 41])

An algebra  $A$  is said to have **finite global homological dimension**  $d$  if

$$\begin{aligned} d &= \sup\{\text{projective dimension of } M \mid M = \text{left } A\text{-module}\} \\ &= \sup\{\text{projective dimension of } M \mid M = \text{right } A\text{-module}\} \end{aligned}$$

is finite. In this case we write  $\text{gldim}(A) = d$ .

**Definition 2.1.17.** (cf. [6])

The **Gelfand-Kirillov dimension (GK-dimension)** of a  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra  $A$  is defined as

$$\text{GKdim}(A) = \sup_V \left\{ \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \log_n(\dim_{\mathbb{k}}(\sum_{i=0}^n V^i)) \right\},$$

where the supremum is taken over all finite-dimensional subspaces  $V$  of  $A$ ,  $V^0 = \mathbb{k}$ , and  $V^i$  denotes the subspace spanned by all monomials  $v_1 \cdots v_i$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $v_j \in V$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ .

If  $A$  is a  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra and  $M$  is a left  $A$ -module, the **Gelfand-Kirillov dimension (GK-dimension)** of  $M$  is defined as

$$\text{GKdim}(M) = \sup_{V,F} \left\{ \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \log_n(\dim_{\mathbb{k}}(V^n F)) \right\},$$

where the supremum is taken over all finite-dimensional subspaces  $V$  of  $A$  containing unity and over all finite-dimensional subspaces  $F$  of  $M$ . One defines  $\text{GKdim}(M)$  for a right  $A$ -module  $M$  analogously.

**Definition 2.1.18.** (cf. [1, Pages 41-42])

Let  $A = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{\infty} A_i$  be a finitely generated,  $\mathbb{N}$ -graded, connected  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra, generated by  $A_1$ . The algebra  $A$  is called **Artin-Schelter regular (AS-regular)** of dimension  $d$  if

1.  $A$  has finite global homological dimension  $d$ , and
2.  $A$  has finite Gelfand-Kirillov dimension, and
3.  $A$  is Gorenstein; that is, the projective modules appearing in a minimal projective resolution of the trivial left  $A$ -module  ${}_A\mathbb{k}$  are finitely generated and  $\text{Ext}_A^q({}_A\mathbb{k}, A) \cong \delta_d^q \mathbb{k}_A$ , where the grading of  $\mathbb{k}_A$  is possibly shifted by some degree, and  $\delta_d^q = 1$  if  $q = d$  and 0 otherwise.

**Definition 2.1.19.** (cf. [8, Definition 2.1])

A noetherian ring  $A$  is **Auslander-regular** of dimension  $\mu$  if

1.  $\text{gldim}(A) = \mu < \infty$ , and
2. for all finitely generated  $A$ -modules  $M$  and for all  $q \geq 0$ ,  $j(N) \geq q$  for every  $A$ -submodule  $N$  of  $\text{Ext}_A^q(M, A)$ , where

$$j(N) = \inf\{i \mid \text{Ext}_A^i(N, A) \neq 0\} \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0, \infty\}.$$

**Definition 2.1.20.** (cf. [8, Definition 5.8])

Let  $A$  be a noetherian  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra with  $\text{GKdim}(A) = \mu \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . We say that  $A$  satisfies the **Cohen-Macaulay property** (CM property) if  $\text{GKdim}(M) + j(M) = \mu$  for all nonzero finitely generated  $A$ -modules  $M$ , where

$$j(M) = \inf\{i \mid \text{Ext}_A^i(M, A) \neq 0\} \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0, \infty\}.$$

Definition 2.1.20 is modeled on the commutative setting where, if  $A$  is a commutative noetherian local ring, then  $A$  is Cohen-Macaulay if and only if  $\text{Kdim}(N) + j(N) = \text{Kdim}(A)$  for all nonzero finitely generated  $A$ -modules  $N$ , where  $\text{Kdim}$  denotes Krull dimension.



The following result is well known, but is included for completeness.

**Lemma 2.1.21.**

*Let  $U$  be a vector space and  $W$  a finite-dimensional subspace of  $U$ . If  $\phi : U \rightarrow U$  is an invertible linear map such that  $\phi(W) \subseteq W$ , then  $\phi(W) = W = \phi^{-1}(W)$ .*

*Proof.*

Consider  $\phi|_W : W \rightarrow W$ , which is injective. Since  $\dim(W) < \infty$ , we may apply the Rank-Nullity Theorem to  $\phi|_W$ , so the result follows. ■

## 2.2 Twist of a Graded Algebra by an Automorphism

The twist of a graded algebra by an automorphism was defined in [2, Section 8] for  $\mathbb{Z}$ -graded algebras. For our purposes, we will restrict our attention to mainly quadratic algebras.

**Definition 2.2.1.** [2, Section 8]

Let  $A = \bigoplus_{j=0}^{\infty} A_j$  be a connected  $\mathbb{N}$ -graded  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra and let  $\phi \in \text{Aut}(A)$  be a graded automorphism of degree zero. We form a new graded algebra  $B$  as follows:

1. as vector spaces,  $B = A$ , and
2. we define a multiplication  $*$  on  $B$  by

$$a_1 * a_2 * \cdots * a_m = a_1 \phi(a_2) \phi^2(a_3) \cdots \phi^{m-1}(a_m),$$

for all  $a_1, \dots, a_m \in A_1$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , and use distributivity to extend  $*$  to the rest of  $B$ .

We call  $B$  **the twist of  $A$  by the automorphism  $\phi$** .

[2, Section 8] proved that the multiplication on  $B$  is well defined.

In particular, a twist of a quadratic algebra by a graded degree-0 automorphism is a quadratic algebra.

**Example 2.2.2.**

Consider the quadratic algebra

$$A = \frac{\mathbb{k}\langle x, y \rangle}{\langle yx - qxy \rangle},$$

where  $q$  is a nonzero element in  $\mathbb{k}$ , and  $\deg(x) = \deg(y) = 1$ . The map  $\phi$  defined by  $\phi(x) = x$ ,  $\phi(y) = qy$  is an automorphism of  $A$  since

$$\phi(yx - qxy) = qyx - q^2xy = q(yx - qxy).$$

Applying Definition 2.2.1, we have

$$y * x = y\phi(x) = yx = qxy = x\phi(y) = x * y,$$

which implies that the twist  $B$  of  $A$  by  $\phi$  is given by

$$B \cong \frac{\mathbb{k}\langle x, y \rangle}{\langle yx - xy \rangle} = \mathbb{k}[x, y];$$

that is,  $B$  is the (commutative) polynomial ring on two variables.

We note that twisting a graded algebra by an automorphism is reflexive and symmetric, but usually it is not transitive. To remedy this, twisting a graded algebra by a twisting system (see Definitions 2.3.1 and 2.3.4) was considered by Zhang in [16].

### 2.3 Twisting Systems

**Definition 2.3.1.** [16, Definition 2.1]

Let  $A = \bigoplus_{j=0}^{\infty} A_j$  be an  $\mathbb{N}$ -graded  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra, where  $\mathbb{k} \subseteq A_0$ . A set  $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$  of degree-0 graded  $\mathbb{k}$ -linear bijections of  $A$  is called a **twisting system** of  $A$  if

$$t_n(at_m(b)) = t_n(a)t_{n+m}(b)$$

or, equivalently,

$$t_n(ab) = t_n(a)t_{n+m}t_m^{-1}(b),$$

for all  $a \in A_m$ ,  $b \in A_i$ ,  $m, i, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

The following example shows that a graded degree-0 automorphism yields a twisting system.

**Example 2.3.2.** [16, Page 284]

Let  $A$  denote an  $\mathbb{N}$ -graded  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra and  $\phi$  a degree-0 graded automorphism of  $A$ . Writing  $t_n = \phi^n$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} t_n(at_m(b)) &= \phi^n(a\phi^m(b)) = \phi^n(a)\phi^n(\phi^m(b)) = \phi^n(a)\phi^{n+m}(b) \\ &= t_n(a)t_{n+m}(b), \end{aligned}$$

for all  $a \in A_m$ ,  $b \in A_i$ , and for all  $n, m, i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Thus,  $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$  is a twisting system of  $A$ .

In the following example, the map  $t_n$  is not, in general, a homomorphism for any  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

**Example 2.3.3.** [16, Page 284]

Let  $A$  denote an  $\mathbb{N}$ -graded  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra, and  $y \in A_0$  an invertible element of  $A$ . Define  $t_n(a) = ya$  for all  $a \in A$  and  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . It follows that

$$t_n(at_m(b)) = yaby = t_n(a)t_{n+m}(b).$$

for all  $a \in A_m$ ,  $b \in A_i$ , and for all  $n, m, i \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Thus,  $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$  is a twisting system of  $A$ .

**Definition 2.3.4.** [16, Definition/Proposition 2.3]

Let  $A$  and  $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$  be defined as in Definition 2.3.1. We form a new quadratic algebra  $B$  as follows:

1. as vector spaces,  $B = A$ , and
2. we define a multiplication  $*$  on  $B$  by

$$a_1 * a_2 * \cdots * a_m = a_1 t_1(a_2) t_2(a_3) \cdots t_{m-1}(a_m),$$

for all  $a_1, \dots, a_m \in A_1$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , and use distributivity to extend  $*$  to the rest of  $B$ .

We call  $B$  **the twist of  $A$  by the twisting system  $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$** .

In [16], Zhang defined the notion of twisting a graded algebra by a twisting system for more general graded algebras, but our focus is mainly on quadratic algebras. He also proved that the multiplication on  $B$  is well defined.

**Definition 2.3.5.**

A twist of a graded  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra by a twisting system is called **nontrivial** if it is not a twist by an automorphism and we refer to such a twisting system as **nontrivial**.

By Example 2.3.2, twisting a graded algebra by an automorphism is a special case of twisting by a twisting system. Moreover, Example 2.3.3 is an example of a nontrivial twisting system.

The following result shows that twisting a graded algebra using a twisting system is an equivalence relation.

**Proposition 2.3.6.** [16, Proposition 2.5]

*If  $A$  is a graded  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra, then*

- 1. (reflexivity)  $A$  is a twist by a twisting system of itself;*
- 2. (symmetry) if  $B$  is a twist by a twisting system of  $A$ , then  $A$  is a twist by a twisting system of  $B$ ;*
- 3. (transitivity) if  $B$  is a twist by a twisting system of  $A$  and if  $C$  is a twist by a twisting system of  $B$ , then  $C$  is a twist by a twisting system of  $A$ .*

Twisting systems are useful in part due to the following result.

**Theorem 2.3.7.** [16, Propositions 5.1 and 5.2 and Theorems 5.7 and 5.11]

*If  $A$  is a connected,  $\mathbb{N}$ -graded, finitely generated  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra, then the following properties are preserved under twisting by a twisting system:*

- 1. being a domain*
- 2. Gelfand-Kirillov dimension*
- 3. global dimension*

4. *Krull dimension*

5. *being noetherian.*

Moreover, for noetherian connected  $\mathbb{N}$ -graded  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebras, the following are preserved under a twist by a twisting system:

6. *injective dimension*

7. *being Cohen-Macaulay*

8. *being Artin-Schelter Gorenstein (or Artin-Schelter regular)*

9. *being Auslander Gorenstein (or Auslander regular) and Cohen-Macaulay.*

For example, in Example 2.2.2, where the algebra  $\frac{\mathbb{k}\langle x, y \rangle}{\langle yx - qxy \rangle}$  twisted to the algebra  $\frac{\mathbb{k}\langle x, y \rangle}{\langle yx - xy \rangle} = \mathbb{k}[x, y]$ , we can apply Theorem 2.3.7 to the polynomial domain  $\mathbb{k}[x, y]$  to infer some important properties of the algebra  $\frac{\mathbb{k}\langle x, y \rangle}{\langle yx - qxy \rangle}$ . In particular, since  $\mathbb{k}[x, y]$  is a noetherian domain, we deduce immediately that  $\frac{\mathbb{k}\langle x, y \rangle}{\langle yx - qxy \rangle}$  is also a noetherian domain.

We note that, by the transitivity of twisting systems (Proposition 2.3.6), twisting a graded  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra  $A$  by an automorphism and twisting the resulting algebra by an automorphism yields a twist of  $A$  by a (potentially nontrivial) twisting system. Nevertheless, very few examples of nontrivial twisting systems are known in the literature. Among these few examples are those constructed in [13, 15] on certain quadratic algebras. In Example 2.3.8 below, we recall the example in [15]; the example in [13] utilized a similar construction to that of [15].

**Example 2.3.8.** [15, Section 4]

In this example, let  $A$  denote an algebra from [15, Section 4]. Such an algebra is quadratic and satisfies  $A = T(V)/\langle W \rangle = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{\infty} A_i$ , where  $V$  is a vector space of dimension four and  $W$  is a subspace of  $V \otimes V$  of dimension six. In this setting, there

exist invertible linear maps  $\tau : A_1 \rightarrow A_1$  and  $t : A_1 \rightarrow A_1$  that induce automorphisms of  $T(V)$ , but do not induce automorphisms of  $A$ . Nevertheless,  $\tau^2 \in \text{Aut}(A)$  and  $t^2$  is the identity map. Let  $t_1 : A \rightarrow A$  denote the linear map given by  $t_1(\alpha) = \alpha$  for all  $\alpha \in A_0$ , and

$$t_1(a_1 \cdots a_m) = (\tau^{-1}t)(a_1)\tau^{-2}t\tau(a_2) \cdots \tau^{-m}t\tau^{m-1}(a_m),$$

where  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $a_j \in A_1$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, m$ . For all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , let  $t_n : A \rightarrow A$  denote the linear map  $t_n = \tau^{r-n}t_r$ , where  $r \in \{0, 1\}$  satisfies  $n \equiv r \pmod{2}$ , and  $t_0$  is the identity map. By using certain geometric data associated to  $A$ , the authors of [15] prove that the set  $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$  is a twisting system of  $A$ .

We call this twisting system a **twisting system of type  $\mathbb{T}_2$**  and we generalize this type of twisting system in Definition 3.7.

## CHAPTER 3

### Twisting Systems of Type $\mathbb{T}_\delta$

In this chapter, we generalize the twisting system construction discussed in Example 2.3.8 of Chapter 2. Explicitly, in Definition 3.7, we introduce the notion of a twisting system of type  $\mathbb{T}_\delta$ , where  $\delta \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\delta \geq 2$  (we recall that  $\delta = 2$  in Example 2.3.8). Our method does not entail the use of any geometric data. The main objective of Chapter 3 is to prove that, under certain conditions, the twisting system of type  $\mathbb{T}_\delta$  is well defined on any finitely generated quadratic algebra. We will prove in Corollary 3.9 that any twisting system of type  $\mathbb{T}_\delta$  is also of type  $\mathbb{T}_{k\delta}$  for any  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Throughout this chapter, we use the same notation and definitions as given in Section 2.1. In particular, we recall that a twisting system is called nontrivial if it is not given by an automorphism. We write  $\mathbb{Z}_\delta = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, \delta - 1\}$ .

Let  $V$  denote a finite-dimensional vector space, and  $T(V)$  the tensor algebra on  $V$ . We take  $\text{degree}(x) = 1$ , for all nonzero elements  $x \in V \subseteq T(V)$ . Let  $A = T(V)/\langle W \rangle = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{\infty} A_i$ , where  $W$  is a finite-dimensional subspace of  $V \otimes V$ . We note that  $A$  is a quadratic algebra, where  $V = A_1$ . Let  $t$  and  $\tau$  be two invertible linear graded functions that map  $T(V)$  to  $T(V)$ .



**Definition 3.1.**

For  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we define maps  $t_n : T(V) \rightarrow T(V)$  by  $t_n(\alpha) = \alpha$ , for all  $\alpha \in T(V)_0$  and

$$t_n(a_1 \cdots a_m) = \prod_{j=1}^m \tau^{1-j-n} t^n \tau^{j-1}(a_j),$$

where  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $a_j \in T(V)_1 = V$  for  $j = 1, \dots, m$ , and extend  $t_n$  to  $T(V)$  by linearity.

We note that  $t_0$  is the identity function on  $T(V)$  and that each  $t_n$  is a linear graded bijection from  $T(V)$  to  $T(V)$ .

The main goal of this chapter is to prove that, under certain hypotheses,  $t_n$  is well defined on  $A$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and that  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a twisting system on  $A$ .

**Remark 3.2.**

Suppose that  $t_n$  is defined as in Definition 3.1 and that  $\{t_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$  yields a twisting system on  $A$ . If  $t\tau = \tau t$  then, from Definition 3.1, we have

$$t_n(a_1 \cdots a_m) = \prod_{j=1}^m \tau^{1-j-n} t^n \tau^{j-1}(a_j) = \prod_{j=1}^m \tau^{1-j-n} \tau^{j-1} t^n(a_j) = \prod_{j=1}^m (\tau^{-1} t)^n(a_j),$$

and so  $t_n = t_1^n \in \text{Aut}(A)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . It follows that the twisting system on  $A$  is reduced to being a twist by  $t_1 = \tau^{-1} t \in \text{Aut}(A)$ . Conversely, if  $t_1 \in \text{Aut}(A)$ , then  $\tau^{-2} t \tau = \tau^{-1} t$  on  $V$ , which implies that  $t\tau = \tau t$  on  $V$ .

Consequently, in seeking examples of nontrivial twisting systems on  $A$  in the setting of Definition 3.1, we require  $t\tau \neq \tau t$  on  $V$ .

**Lemma 3.3.**

Let  $t_n$  be defined as in Definition 3.1 for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . If  $a \in T(V)_m$  and  $b \in T(V)_i$ , where  $m, i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , then

- (a)  $t_n(ab) = t_n(a)t_{n+m}t_m^{-1}(b)$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , so  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a twisting system of  $T(V)$ , and
- (b)  $t_n(T(V)_m b) \subseteq T(V)_m t_{n+m} t_m^{-1}(b)$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

*Proof.*

It suffices to consider  $a = a_1 a_2 \cdots a_m$  and  $b = b_1 b_2 \cdots b_i$ , where  $a_j, b_j \in T(V)_1$ , for all  $j$ . Define

$$c_j = \begin{cases} a_j & 1 \leq j \leq m \\ b_{j-m} & m+1 \leq j \leq m+i. \end{cases}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} t_n(a)t_{n+m}t_m^{-1}(b) &= t_n(a) \prod_{j=1}^i \tau^{1-j-(n+m)} t^{n+m} \tau^{j-1} \tau^{1-j} t^{-m} \tau^{j+m-1}(b_j) \\ &= t_n(a) \prod_{j=1}^i \tau^{1-j-(n+m)} t^n \tau^{j+m-1}(b_j) \\ &= \prod_{k=1}^m \tau^{1-k-n} t^n \tau^{k-1}(a_k) \prod_{j=1}^i \tau^{1-(m+j)-n} t^n \tau^{m+j-1}(b_j) \\ &= \prod_{k=1}^{m+i} \tau^{1-k-n} t^n \tau^{k-1}(c_k) \\ &= t_n(ab), \end{aligned}$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . ■

**Lemma 3.4.**

Let  $t_n$  be defined as in Definition 3.1 for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $t^\delta = \text{identity}$  for some  $\delta \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $n \equiv r \pmod{\delta}$  for some  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_\delta$ , then  $t_n = \tau^{r-n} t_r$  on  $T(V)$ .

*Proof.*

We write  $n \equiv r \pmod{\delta}$  where  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_\delta$ . Since  $t^\delta = \text{identity}$ ,  $t^n = t^r$  and

$$\begin{aligned}
t_n(a_1 \cdots a_m) &= \prod_{j=1}^m \tau^{1-j-n} t^n \tau^{j-1}(a_j) \\
&= \prod_{j=1}^m \tau^{r-n} \tau^{1-j-r} t^r \tau^{j-1}(a_j) \\
&= \tau^{r-n} \prod_{j=1}^m \tau^{1-j-r} t^r \tau^{j-1}(a_j) \\
&= \tau^{r-n} t_r(a_1 \cdots a_m),
\end{aligned}$$

where  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $a_j \in T(V)_1 = V$  for  $j = 1, \dots, m$ . The result follows by linearity of  $t^n$ . ■

**Proposition 3.5.**

Let  $t_n$  be as in Lemma 3.4. Suppose  $t^\delta = \text{identity}$  and  $\tau^\delta \in \text{Aut}(A)$  for some  $\delta \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $t_r(W) \subseteq W$  for all  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_\delta$ , then  $t_n$  is defined on  $A$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

*Proof.*

We will prove that  $t_n(\langle W \rangle) \subseteq \langle W \rangle$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Let  $m, i \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . By Lemma 3.3(b), it follows that

$$t_n(T(V)_m W T(V)_i) \subseteq T(V)_m [t_{n+m} t_m^{-1}(W)] T(V)_i. \quad (3.1)$$

By Lemma 3.4,  $t_n = \tau^{r-n} t_r$  where  $n \equiv r \pmod{\delta}$  with  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_\delta$ . Writing  $m \equiv M \pmod{\delta}$ ,  $m+n \equiv P \pmod{\delta}$ , with  $M, P \in \mathbb{Z}_\delta$ , we have

$$t_{n+m} t_m^{-1} = \tau^{P-(n+m)} t_P t_M^{-1} \tau^{m-M}. \quad (3.2)$$

By assumption,  $\tau^\delta(W) \subseteq W$  and  $t_r(W) \subseteq W$  for all  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_\delta$ , so  $t_M^{-1}(W) \subseteq W$  (by Lemma 2.1.21). Thus (3.2) implies  $t_{n+m}t_m^{-1}(W) \subseteq W$ . Hence (3.1) implies  $t_n(\langle W \rangle) \subseteq \langle W \rangle$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . ■

**Theorem 3.6.**

*Let  $t_n, t$  and  $\tau$  be as in Proposition 3.5. If  $t_r(W) \subseteq W$  for all  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_\delta$ , then  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a twisting system of  $A$ .*

*Proof.*

By Lemma 3.3(a),  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a twisting system of  $T(V)$ . Also, by Proposition 3.5,  $t_n$  is defined on  $A$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . The result follows. ■

**Definition 3.7.**

We say the twisting system given by Theorem 3.6 is of type  $\mathbb{T}_\delta$ .

We present an example in Chapter 4 of a new example of a nontrivial twisting system of type  $\mathbb{T}_2$ .

**Remark 3.8.**

We note that in Definition 3.7, if  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a twisting system of  $A$  of type  $\mathbb{T}_1$ , then  $t$  is the identity map on  $A$  and  $\tau \in \text{Aut}(A)$ . In particular, in this case, we have  $t\tau = \tau t$ , so by Remark 3.2, the twisting system  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is reduced to being a twist by  $t_1 = \tau^{-1}t \in \text{Aut}(A)$ .

**Corollary 3.9.**

Let  $t_n$  be defined as in Definition 3.1 for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  and let  $\delta \in \mathbb{N}$ . The following conditions are equivalent

- (a)  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a twisting system of  $A$  of type  $\mathbb{T}_\delta$ ,
- (b)  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a twisting system of  $A$  of type  $\mathbb{T}_{k\delta}$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,
- (c)  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a twisting system of  $A$  of type  $\mathbb{T}_{m\delta}$  for some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $t^\delta = \text{identity}$ , and  $\tau^\delta \in \text{Aut}(A)$ ,
- (d)  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a twisting system of  $A$  of type  $\mathbb{T}_\alpha$  for some  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\alpha \geq \delta$ ,  $t^\delta = \text{identity}$ , and  $\tau^\delta \in \text{Aut}(A)$ ,
- (e)  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a twisting system of  $A$  simultaneously of types  $\mathbb{T}_{\alpha_1}, \dots, \mathbb{T}_{\alpha_m}$ , where  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $\delta$  is the greatest common divisor of  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m$ .

*Proof.*

We first prove that if (a) holds then (b) holds. Assume that  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a twisting system of  $A$  of type  $\mathbb{T}_\delta$ . In particular,  $t^\delta = \text{identity}$ ,  $\tau^\delta(W) \subseteq W$ , and  $t_s(W) \subseteq W$  for all  $s \in \mathbb{Z}_\delta$ . Let  $\beta = k\delta$ , for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . We have  $t^\beta = (t^\delta)^k = \text{identity}$  and  $\tau^\beta(W) = (\tau^\delta)^k(W) \subseteq W$ . If  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_\beta$ , then  $r \equiv s \pmod{\delta}$ , for some  $s \in \mathbb{Z}_\delta$ . By Lemma 3.4, it follows that  $t_r = \tau^{s-r}t_s$ , so  $t_r(W) \subseteq W$ , for all  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_\beta$ . By Theorem 3.6,  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a twisting system of  $A$  of type  $\mathbb{T}_\beta$ . It follows that (b) holds.

Clearly, if (b) holds, then for an arbitrary  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , by taking  $k = m$ ,  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a twisting system of  $A$  of type  $\mathbb{T}_{m\delta}$ . Also, by taking  $k = 1$ , we have  $t^\delta = \text{identity}$  and  $\tau^\delta \in \text{Aut}(A)$  by Definition 3.7. Thus, (c) holds.

We now prove that if (c) holds then (d) holds. Assume (c) holds. By the hypothesis of part (c),  $t^\delta = \text{identity}$  and  $\tau^\delta \in \text{Aut}(A)$ . By taking  $\alpha = m\delta$ , (d) holds.

We now prove that if (d) holds then (a) holds. Assume (d) holds. By the hypothesis of part (d),  $t^\delta = \text{identity}$  and  $\tau^\delta \in \text{Aut}(A)$ . As sets, we may view  $\mathbb{Z}_\delta \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_\alpha$ , so the fact that  $t_r(W) \subseteq W$  for all  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_\alpha$  implies that  $t_s(W) \subseteq W$  for all  $s \in \mathbb{Z}_\delta$ . By Theorem 3.6,  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a twisting system of  $A$  of type  $\mathbb{T}_\delta$ , so (a) holds.

We now prove that if (b) holds then (e) holds. By choosing  $k_1, \dots, k_m \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $k_1, \dots, k_m$  are relatively prime, and letting  $\alpha_1 = k_1\delta, \dots, \alpha_m = k_m\delta$ , we see that if (b) holds then (e) holds.

We now prove that if (e) holds then (a) holds. Assume (e) holds. If  $m = 1$ , the result is immediate. Suppose  $m \geq 2$ . Since  $\delta$  is the greatest common divisor of  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m$ , there exist  $n_1, \dots, n_m \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $\delta = n_1\alpha_1 + \dots + n_m\alpha_m$ . We have  $t^\delta = (t^{\alpha_1})^{n_1} \dots (t^{\alpha_m})^{n_m} = \text{identity}$  and  $\tau^\delta = (\tau^{\alpha_1})^{n_1} \dots (\tau^{\alpha_m})^{n_m} \in \text{Aut}(A)$ . Since  $\delta | \alpha_i$  for all  $i$ , we may view, as sets,  $\mathbb{Z}_\delta \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{\alpha_i}$  for all  $i$ , so the fact that  $t_r(W) \subseteq W$  for all  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\alpha_i}$  implies that  $t_s(W) \subseteq W$  for all  $s \in \mathbb{Z}_\delta$ . By Theorem 3.6,  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a twisting system of  $A$  of type  $\mathbb{T}_\delta$ , so (a) holds. ■

**Remark 3.10.**

We note that in Corollary 3.9, if  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a twisting system of  $A$  of type  $\mathbb{T}_\alpha$  and type  $\mathbb{T}_\beta$  simultaneously, where  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{N}$  are relatively prime, then  $t$  is the identity map on  $A$  and  $\tau \in \text{Aut}(A)$ . In this case, by Definition 3.1,  $t_n = \tau^{-n}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and, by Remark 3.8, the twist is a twist by an automorphism.

## CHAPTER 4

### An Example of a Nontrivial Twisting System of Type $\mathbb{T}_\delta$

Throughout this chapter, we use the same notation and definitions as provided in Section 2.1 and Chapter 3. In this chapter, we illustrate our method for producing a nontrivial twisting system on an algebra that is a quadratic quantum  $\mathbb{P}^3$  whose point scheme is given by a rank-2 quadric in  $\mathbb{P}^3$ .

Suppose  $\text{char}(\mathbb{k}) \neq 2$ . Consider the family of quadratic algebras

$$A(\rho) = \mathbb{k}\langle x_1, \dots, x_4 \rangle / \langle \omega_1, \dots, \omega_6 \rangle,$$

where  $\rho \in \mathbb{k}^\times$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_1 &= \rho^2 x_1 x_2 + x_2 x_1, & \omega_2 &= \rho x_1 x_3 - x_3 x_1, & \omega_3 &= \rho x_1 x_4 + x_4 x_1, \\ \omega_4 &= x_2 x_3 - \rho x_3 x_2, & \omega_5 &= x_2 x_4 + \rho x_4 x_2, & \omega_6 &= x_3 x_4 + x_4 x_3 + x_1 x_2. \end{aligned}$$

We identify  $\mathbb{k}\langle x_1, \dots, x_4 \rangle$  with  $T(V)$ , where  $V = \sum_{i=1}^4 \mathbb{k}x_i$ , and write  $W = \sum_{i=1}^6 \mathbb{k}\omega_i$ . In Chapter 5, we prove that  $A(\rho)$  is a quantum  $\mathbb{P}^3$  with point scheme given by a rank-2 quadric.

Consider the homomorphisms  $t$  and  $\tau$  defined on  $\mathbb{k}\langle x_1, \dots, x_4 \rangle$  given by the matrices:

$$[t] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad [\tau] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix},$$

where we use row  $i$  to give the image of  $x_i$ , for all  $i$  (for example,  $[t](x_4) = x_3 - x_4$ ). The matrices act in the usual manner on the dual,  $V^*$ , of  $V$ , which will be relevant in Chapter 5. We consider  $t_n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , as in Definition 3.1.

We now verify the conditions for  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  to be a nontrivial twisting system of  $A(\rho)$ . We notice that

1. the maps  $t$  and  $\tau$  are automorphisms of  $\mathbb{k}\langle x_1, \dots, x_4 \rangle$ , since  $[t]$  and  $[\tau]$  are invertible (since  $\text{char}(\mathbb{k}) \neq 2$ ),
2.  $t^2 = \text{identity}$ ,
3.  $t\tau \neq \tau t$ , since the matrix entry  $([\tau][t] - [t][\tau])_{43} = 2 \neq 0$  (since  $\text{char}(\mathbb{k}) \neq 2$ ),
4.  $\tau(W) \not\subseteq W$ , since  $\tau(\omega_3) = 3\omega_2 - 2\omega_3 + 6x_3x_1 \notin W$  (since  $\text{char}(\mathbb{k}) \neq 2$ ),
5.  $t(W) \not\subseteq W$ , since  $t(\omega_3) = \omega_2 - \omega_3 + 2x_3x_1 \notin W$  (since  $\text{char}(\mathbb{k}) \neq 2$ ),
6.  $\tau^2(W) \subseteq W$  since

$$\begin{aligned} \tau^2(\omega_1) &= 16\omega_1, & \tau^2(\omega_2) &= 4\omega_2, & \tau^2(\omega_3) &= 4\omega_3, \\ \tau^2(\omega_4) &= 64\omega_4, & \tau^2(\omega_5) &= 64\omega_5, & \tau^2(\omega_6) &= 16\omega_6, \end{aligned}$$

and

7.  $t_1(W) \subseteq W$  since we have  $t_1(x_i x_j) = \tau^{-1}t(x_i)\tau^{-2}t\tau(x_j)$ ,  $i, j = 1, \dots, 4$ , implies that

$$\begin{aligned} t_1(\omega_1) &= \frac{1}{4}\omega_1, & t_1(\omega_2) &= \frac{1}{2}\omega_2, & t_1(\omega_3) &= \frac{1}{4}(\omega_2 + 2\omega_3), \\ t_1(\omega_4) &= \frac{1}{8}\omega_4, & t_1(\omega_5) &= \frac{1}{16}(\omega_4 + 2\omega_5), & t_1(\omega_6) &= \frac{1}{4}\omega_6. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, by Theorem 3.6 and Remark 3.8, we have a nontrivial twisting system of  $A(\rho)$  of type  $\mathbb{T}_2$  (and so also of type  $\mathbb{T}_{2k}$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , by Corollary 3.9).



Let  $A'(\rho)$  be the twist of  $A(\rho)$  under the above twisting system  $\{t_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ . By Definition 2.3.4, if  $a, b \in A(\rho)_1$ , the multiplication  $*$  on  $A'(\rho)$  is defined as  $a*b = at_1(b)$ . Thus, writing  $b = t_1^{-1}(c)$ , for some  $c \in A(\rho)_1$ , we have

$$ac = a * t_1^{-1}(c) = a * (t^{-1}\tau)(c) = a * t\tau(c)$$

(as  $t^2 = \text{identity}$ ). Since

$$t\tau(x_1) = x_1, \quad t\tau(x_2) = 4x_2, \quad t\tau(x_3) = 2x_3, \quad t\tau(x_4) = x_3 + 2x_4,$$

we thus obtain the new algebra

$$A'(\rho) = \mathbb{k}\langle x_1, \dots, x_4 \rangle / \langle \omega'_1, \dots, \omega'_6 \rangle,$$

where, omitting the  $*$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \omega'_1 &= 4\rho^2 x_1 x_2 + x_2 x_1, & \omega'_2 &= 2\rho x_1 x_3 - x_3 x_1, \\ \omega'_3 &= 2\rho x_1 x_4 + x_4 x_1 + \rho x_1 x_3, & \omega'_4 &= 2x_2 x_3 - 4\rho x_3 x_2, \\ \omega'_5 &= 2x_2 x_4 + 4\rho x_4 x_2 + x_2 x_3, & \omega'_6 &= 2(x_3 x_4 + x_4 x_3) + x_3^2 + 4x_1 x_2. \end{aligned}$$

Although this method did not entail any geometric data, we show that, in Chapter 5, for all  $\rho \in \mathbb{k}^\times$ ,  $A(\rho)$  is a noetherian regular algebra of global dimension four (sometimes called a quantum  $\mathbb{P}^3$ ) with point scheme given by the union of two distinct planes in  $\mathbb{P}^3$ .

## CHAPTER 5

### Some Quantum $\mathbb{P}^3$ s with Point Scheme a Rank-2 Quadric

In this chapter, we introduce a family of AS-regular algebras that have point scheme given by a rank-2 quadric in the projective space  $\mathbb{P}^3$ .

In Section 5.1, we study the family of quadratic algebras  $A(\rho)$ ,  $\rho \in \mathbb{k}^\times$ , that were used to produce the example in Chapter 4 of a nontrivial twisting system. We show that  $A(\rho)$  satisfies several desirable properties, as stated in Theorem 5.1.9, and such algebras are often called quadratic quantum  $\mathbb{P}^3$ s. In Section 5.2, we show that the point scheme of  $A(\rho)$  is given by a rank-2 quadric in  $\mathbb{P}^3$ ; that is, it is the union of two distinct planes in the projective space  $\mathbb{P}^3$  (Theorem 5.2.1). Moreover, we prove in Theorem 5.2.3 that the zero locus of the defining relations of  $A(\rho)$  does not determine the defining relations of  $A(\rho)$ .

Throughout this chapter, we will use the same notation and definitions as given in Section 2.1 of Chapter 2. We continue to assume  $\text{char}(\mathbb{k}) \neq 2$ .

#### 5.1 Regularity of $A(\rho)$

We recall that, in Chapter 4, the family of quadratic algebras

$$A(\rho) = \mathbb{k}\langle x_1, \dots, x_4 \rangle / \langle \omega_1, \dots, \omega_6 \rangle$$

is given, where  $\rho \in \mathbb{k}^\times$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_1 &= \rho^2 x_1 x_2 + x_2 x_1, & \omega_2 &= \rho x_1 x_3 - x_3 x_1, & \omega_3 &= \rho x_1 x_4 + x_4 x_1, \\ \omega_4 &= x_2 x_3 - \rho x_3 x_2, & \omega_5 &= x_2 x_4 + \rho x_4 x_2, & \omega_6 &= x_3 x_4 + x_4 x_3 + x_1 x_2. \end{aligned}$$

We will use the algebra  $A$  defined in Lemma 5.1.1 below to prove that  $A(\rho)$  has many desirable properties.

**Lemma 5.1.1.** *For all  $\rho \in \mathbb{k}^\times$ , the algebra*

$$A = \mathbb{k}\langle x_1, \dots, x_4 \rangle / \langle x_1x_2 - x_2x_1, x_1x_3 - x_3x_1, x_1x_4 - x_4x_1, \\ x_2x_3 + x_3x_2, x_2x_4 + x_4x_2, x_3x_4 - x_4x_3 + x_1x_2 \rangle$$

*is isomorphic to a twist by an automorphism of  $A(\rho)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\theta \in \text{Aut}(A(\rho))$  be defined as  $\theta(x_1) = \rho^2x_1$ ,  $\theta(x_2) = -x_2$ ,  $\theta(x_3) = \rho x_3$ ,  $\theta(x_4) = -\rho x_4$ . For every  $\rho \in \mathbb{k}^\times$ , let  $\mathcal{A}(\rho)$  denote the twist of  $A(\rho)$  by  $\theta$ ; that is,

$$\mathcal{A}(\rho) = \mathbb{k}\langle x_1, \dots, x_4 \rangle / \langle x_1x_2 - x_2x_1, x_1x_3 - x_3x_1, x_1x_4 - x_4x_1, \\ x_2x_3 + x_3x_2, x_2x_4 + x_4x_2, x_3x_4 - x_4x_3 + (1/\rho)x_1x_2 \rangle.$$

Mapping  $x_1 \mapsto \rho x_1$ ,  $x_i \mapsto x_i$ ,  $i \in \{2, 3, 4\}$ , yields an isomorphism:  $\mathcal{A}(\rho) \rightarrow A$ . ■

We note that  $x_1$  is central in  $A$  and  $x_2$  is normal in  $A$ . Let  $J = Ax_2$ . From the normality of  $x_2$  and the defining relations of  $A$ , it is immediate that  $A/J$  is isomorphic to the commutative polynomial ring  $\mathbb{k}[x_1, x_3, x_4]$ .

**Corollary 5.1.2.**

*The algebra  $A/J$  is a noetherian domain, has Hilbert series  $H_{A/J}(s) = (1-s)^{-3}$ , is Koszul, AS-regular and Auslander-regular of global dimension 3, and satisfies the CM property.*

*Proof.*

It is well known (e.g., [9]) that the commutative polynomial ring  $B = \mathbb{k}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  on  $n$  variables is a noetherian domain, has Hilbert series  $H_B(s) = (1-s)^{-n}$ , is Koszul, AS-regular and Auslander-regular of global dimension  $n$ , and satisfies the CM property.

Since  $A/J$  is isomorphic to the commutative polynomial ring  $\mathbb{k}[x_1, x_3, x_4]$ , the result follows. ■

We will show in Lemma 5.1.4 and Propositions 5.1.7 and 5.1.8 that the algebra  $A$  is a noetherian domain, has Hilbert series  $H_A(s) = (1-s)^{-4}$ , is Koszul, AS-regular and Auslander-regular of global dimension 4, and satisfies the CM property.

**Lemma 5.1.3.**

*The algebra  $A$  is an Ore extension  $R[x_4; \sigma, d]$  of*

$$R = \mathbb{k}\langle x_1, x_2, x_3 \rangle / \langle x_1x_2 - x_2x_1, x_1x_3 - x_3x_1, x_2x_3 + x_3x_2 \rangle,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(x_1) &= x_1, & \sigma(x_2) &= -x_2, & \sigma(x_3) &= x_3, \\ d(x_1) &= 0, & d(x_2) &= 0, & d(x_3) &= x_1x_2. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.*

For the defining relations of  $A$ , let us write

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_1 &= x_1x_2 - x_2x_1, & \eta_2 &= x_1x_3 - x_3x_1, & \eta_3 &= x_1x_4 - x_4x_1, \\ \eta_4 &= x_2x_3 + x_3x_2, & \eta_5 &= x_2x_4 + x_4x_2, & \eta_6 &= x_3x_4 - x_4x_3 + x_1x_2. \end{aligned}$$

Correspondingly, for the defining relations of  $R$ , we have  $r_1 = \eta_1$ ,  $r_2 = \eta_2$  and  $r_3 = \eta_4$ .

With a slight abuse of notation, we use the above definitions of  $\sigma$  and  $d$  on  $\mathbb{k}\langle x_1, x_2, x_3 \rangle$  and we next prove that these maps induce well-defined maps  $\sigma$  and  $d$  on  $R$ . It is immediate that  $\sigma(r_1) = -r_1$ ,  $\sigma(r_2) = r_2$  and  $\sigma(r_3) = -r_3$ , so  $\sigma \in$

$\text{Aut}(R)$ . Using the equation  $d(ab) = \sigma(a)d(b) + d(a)b$  for all  $a, b \in R$ , as in Definition 2.1.15, we obtain  $d(x_1x_2) = 0$ ,  $d(x_2x_1) = 0$ ,  $d(x_1x_3) = x_1^2x_2$ ,  $d(x_3x_1) = x_1x_2x_1$ ,  $d(x_2x_3) = -x_2x_1x_2$ , and  $d(x_3x_2) = x_1x_2^2$ , and hence

$$\begin{aligned} d(r_1) &= 0, \\ d(r_2) &= x_1^2x_2 - x_1x_2x_1 = x_1r_1, \\ d(r_3) &= -x_2x_1x_2 + x_1x_2^2 = r_1x_2, \end{aligned}$$

and so  $d$  is a well-defined left  $\sigma$ -derivation on  $R$ .

Furthermore, using the equation  $x_4r = \sigma(r)x_4 + d(r)$  for all  $r \in R$ , as given in Definition 2.1.15, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} x_4x_1 &= x_1x_4 + d(x_1) = x_1x_4, \\ x_4x_2 &= -x_2x_4 + d(x_2) = -x_2x_4, \\ x_4x_3 &= x_3x_4 + d(x_3) = x_3x_4 + x_1x_2, \end{aligned}$$

which give us the defining relations  $\eta_3$ ,  $\eta_5$  and  $\eta_6$  of  $A$ .

Thus,  $A = R[x_4; \sigma, d]$  is an Ore extension of  $R$ . ■

**Lemma 5.1.4.**

*The algebra  $A$  is a noetherian domain, has Hilbert series  $H_A(s) = (1 - s)^{-4}$ , is AS-regular, Auslander-regular and satisfies the CM property.*

*Proof.*

The algebra  $R$  from Lemma 5.1.3 is a skew-polynomial ring, so  $H_R(s) = (1 - s)^{-3}$ . Since  $A = R[x_4; \sigma, d]$ , where  $\sigma \in \text{Aut}(R)$ ,  $A$  is a free  $R$ -module with basis  $\{1, x_4, x_4^2, \dots\}$  and so  $H_A(s) = (1 - s)^{-4}$ . By [11, Theorem 1.2.9] and Lemma 5.1.3,  $A$  is a noetherian domain. The fact that  $A$  is Auslander-regular and satisfies the CM-property follows from Lemma 5.1.3 and the Lemma in [10, Page 184].

Since  $H_A(s) = (1 - s)^{-4}$ , the algebra  $A$  has polynomial growth. Combining this with  $A$  being Auslander-regular implies, by [8], that  $A$  is AS-regular.  $\blacksquare$

We use the next few results (5.1.5 - 5.1.7) to prove in Proposition 5.1.8 that  $A$  has global homological dimension four.

**Lemma 5.1.5.**

*The Koszul dual,  $A^!$ , of  $A$  has Hilbert series  $H_{A^!}(s) = (1 + s)^4$ .*

*Proof.*

The Koszul dual of  $A$ , as given in Definition 2.1.13, can be verified to be

$$A^! = \mathbb{k}\langle X_1, \dots, X_4 \rangle / \langle \mu_1, \dots, \mu_{10} \rangle,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_1 &= X_1^2, & \mu_2 &= X_2^2, \\ \mu_3 &= X_3^2, & \mu_4 &= X_4^2, \\ \mu_5 &= X_1X_2 + X_2X_1 - (1/2)(X_3X_4 - X_4X_3), & \mu_6 &= X_3X_4 + X_4X_3, \\ \mu_7 &= X_1X_3 + X_3X_1, & \mu_8 &= X_1X_4 + X_4X_1, \\ \mu_9 &= X_2X_3 - X_3X_2, & \mu_{10} &= X_2X_4 - X_4X_2. \end{aligned}$$

From this data, we have the following equations in  $A^!$ :

$$X_1^2 = X_2^2 = X_3^2 = X_4^2 = 0,$$

$$X_2X_1 = -X_1X_2 + X_3X_4,$$

$$X_3X_1 = -X_1X_3,$$

$$X_3X_2 = X_2X_3,$$

$$X_4X_1 = -X_1X_4,$$

$$X_4X_2 = X_2X_4,$$

$$X_4X_3 = -X_3X_4.$$

We will apply Bergman's Diamond Lemma. The ambiguities arising from the above relations are

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_1 &= X_1^3, & \alpha_2 &= X_2X_1^2, & \alpha_3 &= X_3X_1^2, & \alpha_4 &= X_4X_1^2, \\ \alpha_5 &= X_2^3, & \alpha_6 &= X_2^2X_1, & \alpha_7 &= X_3X_2^2, & \alpha_8 &= X_4X_2^2, \\ \alpha_9 &= X_3^3, & \alpha_{10} &= X_3^2X_1, & \alpha_{11} &= X_3^2X_2, & \alpha_{12} &= X_4X_3^2, \\ \alpha_{13} &= X_4^3, & \alpha_{14} &= X_4^2X_1, & \alpha_{15} &= X_4^2X_2, & \alpha_{16} &= X_4^2X_3, \\ \alpha_{17} &= X_3X_2X_1, & \alpha_{18} &= X_4X_2X_1, & \alpha_{19} &= X_4X_3X_1, & \alpha_{20} &= X_4X_3X_2. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\alpha_1, \alpha_5, \alpha_9$  and  $\alpha_{13}$  have the form  $X_i^3$ , where  $i = 1, \dots, 4$ , each one is resolvable to zero.

Since  $\alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_7, \alpha_8, \alpha_{10}, \alpha_{11}, \alpha_{12}, \alpha_{14}, \alpha_{15}$  and  $\alpha_{16}$  involve only commutative relations or skew commutative relations and  $X_i^2$ , these ambiguities are resolvable to zero.

For  $\alpha_2$ , by using the above set of equations, we have

$$\begin{aligned} X_2X_1^2 &= X_2(X_1^2) = 0, \\ X_2X_1^2 &= (X_2X_1)X_1 \\ &= (-X_1X_2 + X_3X_4)X_1 = -X_1(-X_1X_2 + X_3X_4) + X_3X_4X_1 \\ &= X_1^2X_2 - X_1X_3X_4 + (-1)^2X_1X_3X_4 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\alpha_2$  is resolvable to zero.

For  $\alpha_6$ , by using the above set of equations, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
X_2^2 X_1 &= (X_2^2)X_1 = 0, \\
X_2^2 X_1 &= X_2(X_2 X_1) \\
&= X_2(-X_1 X_2 + X_3 X_4) = -(-X_1 X_2 + X_3 X_4)X_2 + X_2 X_3 X_4 \\
&= X_1 X_2^2 - (X_3 X_4)X_2 + X_2 X_3 X_4 = 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\alpha_6$  is resolvable to zero.

For  $\alpha_{17}$ , by using the above set of equations, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
X_3 X_2 X_1 &= (X_3 X_2)X_1 \\
&= (X_2 X_3)X_1 = -(X_2 X_1)X_3 \\
&= -(-X_1 X_2 + X_3 X_4)X_3 = X_1 X_2 X_3 + X_3^2 X_4 \\
&= X_1 X_2 X_3, \\
X_3 X_2 X_1 &= X_3(X_2 X_1) \\
&= X_3(-X_1 X_2 + X_3 X_4) = -(X_3 X_1)X_2 + X_3^2 X_4 \\
&= X_1(X_3 X_2) \\
&= X_1 X_2 X_3.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\alpha_{17}$  is resolvable to  $X_1 X_2 X_3$ .

For  $\alpha_{18}$ , by using the above set of equations, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
X_4 X_2 X_1 &= (X_4 X_2)X_1 \\
&= (X_2 X_4)X_1 = -(X_2 X_1)X_4 \\
&= -(-X_1 X_2 + X_3 X_4)X_4 = X_1 X_2 X_4 - X_3 X_4^2 \\
&= X_1 X_2 X_4, \\
X_4 X_2 X_1 &= X_4(X_2 X_1) \\
&= X_4(-X_1 X_2 + X_3 X_4) = -(X_4 X_1)X_2 + (X_4 X_3)X_4 \\
&= (X_1 X_4)X_2 - X_3 X_4^2 \\
&= X_1 X_2 X_4.
\end{aligned}$$



Therefore,  $\alpha_{18}$  is resolvable to  $X_1X_2X_4$ .

For  $\alpha_{19}$ , by using the above set of equations, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
X_4X_3X_1 &= (X_4X_3)X_1 \\
&= (-X_3X_4)X_1 = -(-1)^2X_1(X_3X_4) \\
&= -X_1X_3X_4, \\
X_4X_3X_1 &= X_4(X_3X_1) \\
&= (-1)^2X_1(X_4X_3) = X_1(-X_3X_4) \\
&= -X_1X_3X_4.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\alpha_{19}$  is resolvable to  $-X_1X_3X_4$ .

For  $\alpha_{20}$ , by using the above set of equations, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
X_4X_3X_2 &= (X_4X_3)X_2 \\
&= (-X_3X_4)X_2 = -(X_3X_2)X_4 = -(X_2X_3)X_4 \\
&= -X_2X_3X_4, \\
X_4X_3X_2 &= X_4(X_3X_2) \\
&= X_4(X_2X_3) = X_2(X_4X_3) = X_2(-X_3X_4) \\
&= -X_2X_3X_4.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\alpha_{20}$  is resolvable to  $-X_2X_3X_4$ .

Thus, the following monomials

$$\begin{array}{cccccc}
1, & X_1, & X_2, & X_3, & X_4, & \\
X_1X_2, & X_1X_3, & X_1X_4, & X_2X_3, & X_2X_4, & X_3X_4, \\
X_1X_2X_3, & X_1X_2X_4, & X_1X_3X_4, & X_2X_3X_4, & & \\
X_1X_2X_3X_4, & & & & & 
\end{array}$$

constitute a  $\mathbb{k}$ -basis for  $A^!$ , which implies that  $H_{A^!}(s) = (1 + s)^4$ .

We note that the Affine package in Maxima (using input code similar to that at [14]) also reveals that  $H_{A^!}(s) = (1 + s)^4$ . ■

The following result from [7] is used to prove that  $A$  is Koszul.

**Proposition 5.1.6.** [7, Theorem 2.6]

*Let  $B$  be a finitely generated quadratic algebra with 1-regular normal element  $x \in B_1$ . Suppose that  $\phi \in \text{Aut}(B)$  satisfies  $xb = \phi(b)x$  for all  $b \in B$  and that the algebra  $C = B/xB$  is a Koszul algebra. We have  $H_{B^!}(s) = (1+s)H_{C^!}(s)$  if and only if (i)  $B$  is a Koszul algebra and (ii)  $x$  is regular.*

**Proposition 5.1.7.**

*The algebra  $A$  is Koszul.*

*Proof.*

Since  $A$  is a domain by Lemma 5.1.4, the normal element  $x_2$  is regular (and hence 1-regular) in  $A$ . Moreover,  $A/Ax_2$  is Koszul by Corollary 5.1.2. It follows that, in Proposition 5.1.6 we may take  $B$  to be  $A$  and  $x$  to be  $x_2$ . Since  $H_{A^!}(s) = (1+s)^4 = (1+s)H_{(A/J)^!}(s)$  by Lemma 5.1.5 and Corollary 5.1.2, Proposition 5.1.6 implies that  $A$  is Koszul. ■

**Proposition 5.1.8.**

*The algebra  $A$  has global dimension four.*

*Proof.*

The algebra  $A$  is Koszul by Proposition 5.1.7, and  $H_{A^!}(s) = (1+s)^4$  by Lemma 5.1.5, so the trivial  $A$ -module has a minimal free resolution of length four. The result follows (cf. [1, Page 41]). ■

**Theorem 5.1.9.**

*The algebra  $A(\rho)$  is noetherian, AS-regular of global dimension four, Auslander-regular, satisfies the CM property, has Hilbert series  $H(s) = (1 - s)^{-4}$  and is a domain.*

*Proof.*

By Lemma 5.1.1,  $A(\rho)$  is a twist of  $A$  by an automorphism and the stated properties hold for  $A$ , so they hold for  $A(\rho)$  by Theorem 2.3.7. ■

## 5.2 The Point Scheme of $A(\rho)$

Let  $V = \sum_{i=1}^4 \mathbb{k}x_i$  and write  $V^*$  for the dual space of  $V$ . View  $A$  as  $T(V)/\langle W' \rangle$ , where  $W'$  is the subspace of  $V \otimes V$  given by the defining relations of  $A$ . Let  $\Gamma_A \subseteq \mathbb{P}(V^*) \times \mathbb{P}(V^*)$  denote the zero locus of  $W'$ . Let  $\mathfrak{p}_A \subseteq \mathbb{P}(V^*)$  denote the image of  $\Gamma_A$  under the projection map  $\pi : \mathbb{P}(V^*) \times \mathbb{P}(V^*) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(V^*)$  onto the first component of  $\mathbb{P}(V^*) \times \mathbb{P}(V^*)$ .

The defining relations of  $A$  can be written in the matrix form  $Mx$ , where  $x$  is the transpose of  $[x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4]$  and  $M$  is a  $6 \times 4$  matrix. By Lemma 5.1.4 and [1], the point scheme of  $A$  can be identified with  $\mathfrak{p}_A$  and can be computed using the  $4 \times 4$  minors of  $M$ .

Since  $A$  is isomorphic to a twist of  $A(\rho)$  for all  $\rho \in \mathbb{k}^\times$  (by Lemma 5.1.1), the point scheme of  $A$  is isomorphic to the point scheme of  $A(\rho)$ . We will prove that the point scheme of  $A$  is given by a rank-2 quadric in  $\mathbb{P}^3$ .

**Theorem 5.2.1.**

The point scheme of  $A$  is  $\mathcal{V}(x_1x_2) \subseteq \mathbb{P}^3 = \mathbb{P}(V^*)$ , and so is the union of two distinct planes. Similarly, for all  $\rho \in \mathbb{k}^\times$ , the point scheme of  $A(\rho)$  is  $\mathcal{V}(x_1x_2)$ . In particular, the point scheme in each case is reduced.

*Proof.*

The defining relations of  $A$  can be expressed in the matrix form

$$Mx = \begin{bmatrix} -x_2 & x_1 & 0 & 0 \\ -x_3 & 0 & x_1 & 0 \\ -x_4 & 0 & 0 & x_1 \\ 0 & x_3 & x_2 & 0 \\ 0 & x_4 & 0 & x_2 \\ 0 & x_1 & -x_4 & x_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1x_2 - x_2x_1 \\ x_1x_3 - x_3x_1 \\ x_1x_4 - x_4x_1 \\ x_2x_3 + x_3x_2 \\ x_2x_4 + x_4x_2 \\ x_3x_4 - x_4x_3 + x_1x_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The following polynomials arise from the determinants of the  $4 \times 4$  minors of  $M$ :

$$\begin{aligned} P_1 &= -2x_1^2x_2x_3, \\ P_2 &= -2x_1^2x_2x_4, \\ P_3 &= -x_1^3x_2, \\ P_4 &= 2x_1x_2^2x_3, \\ P_5 &= 2x_1x_2x_3^2, \\ P_6 &= x_1x_2(2x_3x_4 - x_1x_2), \\ P_7 &= 2x_1x_2^2x_4, \\ P_8 &= x_1x_2(2x_3x_4 + x_1x_2), \\ P_9 &= 2x_1x_2x_4^2, \\ P_{10} &= -x_1x_2^3, \\ P_{11} &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
P_{12} &= x_1^2 x_2 x_3, \\
P_{13} &= x_1^2 x_2 x_4, \\
P_{14} &= -x_1 x_2^2 x_3, \\
P_{15} &= -x_1 x_2^2 x_4.
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $\text{char}(\mathbb{k}) \neq 2$ , in order to find the zero locus of these 15 polynomials, it suffices to consider the following ten distinct monomials:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
x_1^2 x_2 x_3, & x_1^2 x_2 x_4, & x_1^3 x_2, & x_1 x_2^2 x_3, & x_1 x_2 x_3^2, \\
x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4, & x_1^2 x_2^2, & x_1 x_2^2 x_4, & x_1 x_2 x_4^2, & x_1 x_2^3.
\end{array}$$

Factoring  $x_1 x_2$  from each of these ten monomials yields the following ten distinct monomials:

$$x_1 x_3, \quad x_1 x_4, \quad x_1^2, \quad x_2 x_3, \quad x_3^2, \quad x_3 x_4, \quad x_1 x_2, \quad x_2 x_4, \quad x_4^2, \quad x_2^2.$$

We note that these monomials generate  $\langle x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \rangle^2$ . Therefore, the  $4 \times 4$  minors of  $M$  generate the ideal  $I = \langle x_1 x_2 \rangle \langle x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \rangle^2$ .

The point scheme of  $A$  is thus given by  $\mathcal{V}(x_1 x_2)$  in the projective space  $\mathbb{P}^3 = \mathbb{P}(V^*)$ , since the saturation of  $I$  is  $\langle x_1 x_2 \rangle$  (see Lemma 5.2.2). By Lemma 5.1.1,  $A(\rho)$  is isomorphic to a twist of  $A$  by an automorphism, so the point scheme of  $A(\rho)$  is also the union of two distinct planes. In the proof of Lemma 5.1.1, the maps are linear, so it follows that the point scheme of  $A(\rho)$ , for each  $\rho \in \mathbb{k}^\times$ , is also given by  $\mathcal{V}(x_1 x_2)$ . ■

**Lemma 5.2.2.**

*Let  $I = \langle x_1 x_2 \rangle \langle x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \rangle^2$  as in the proof of Theorem 5.2.1. The saturation of  $I$  is*

$$\text{Sat}(I) = \langle x_1 x_2 \rangle.$$

*Proof.*

Since  $I = \langle x_1x_2 \rangle \langle x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \rangle^2$ , so  $I \subseteq \langle x_1x_2 \rangle$ . We have

$$\text{Sat}(I) = \{s \in \mathbb{k}[x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4] \mid \forall k = 1, \dots, 4, \exists n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \text{ such that } x_k^n s \in I\}.$$

If  $s \in \text{Sat}(I)$  then  $x_1^n s \in I$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . Since  $\mathbb{k}[x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4]$  is a unique factorization domain, we have  $x_2 \mid s$  by definition of  $I$ . Similarly,  $x_1 \mid s$ . Thus,  $s \in \langle x_1x_2 \rangle$ . Therefore  $\text{Sat}(I) \subseteq \langle x_1x_2 \rangle$ .

Conversely, if  $p \in \langle x_1x_2 \rangle$ , then  $p = x_1x_2r$  for some  $r \in \mathbb{k}[x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4]$ . We note from  $P_3, P_5, P_9$  and  $P_{10}$  in the proof of Theorem 5.2.1 that  $x_1x_2x_k^2 \in I$ , for all  $k = 1, \dots, 4$ , so  $x_k^2 p = x_k^2 x_1x_2r \in I$ , for all  $k = 1, \dots, 4$ . Hence  $p \in \text{Sat}(I)$ , so  $\langle x_1x_2 \rangle \subseteq \text{Sat}(I)$ .

Therefore, the result follows. ■

### **Theorem 5.2.3.**

*The zero locus in  $\mathbb{P}(V^*) \times \mathbb{P}(V^*)$  of the defining relations of  $A(\rho)$  does not determine the defining relations of  $A(\rho)$ .*

*Proof.*

Let  $\Gamma$  be the zero locus in  $\mathbb{P}(V^*) \times \mathbb{P}(V^*)$  of the defining relations of  $A(\rho)$ . A point  $(\alpha, \beta)$  in  $\Gamma$ , where  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4)$ ,  $\beta = (\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3, \beta_4)$ , satisfies the six equations:

$$\rho^2 \alpha_1 \beta_2 + \alpha_2 \beta_1 = 0, \tag{5.1}$$

$$\rho \alpha_1 \beta_3 - \alpha_3 \beta_1 = 0, \tag{5.2}$$

$$\rho \alpha_1 \beta_4 + \alpha_4 \beta_1 = 0, \tag{5.3}$$

$$\alpha_2 \beta_3 - \rho \alpha_3 \beta_2 = 0, \tag{5.4}$$

$$\alpha_2\beta_4 + \rho\alpha_4\beta_2 = 0, \quad (5.5)$$

$$\alpha_3\beta_4 + \alpha_4\beta_3 + \alpha_1\beta_2 = 0. \quad (5.6)$$

By Theorem 5.2.1, the point scheme is given by  $\mathcal{V}(x_1x_2)$ . Setting  $\alpha_1 = 0$  and noting  $\alpha_i \neq 0$  for some  $i \in \{2, 3, 4\}$ , equations (5.1)-(5.3) imply that  $\beta_1 = 0$ . It follows that equations (5.4)-(5.6) give us  $(\alpha, \beta) = ((0, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4), (0, \alpha_2, \rho\alpha_3, -\rho\alpha_4))$ . Similarly, setting  $\alpha_2 = 0$ , we obtain  $(\alpha, \beta) = ((\alpha_1, 0, \alpha_3, \alpha_4), (\rho\alpha_1, 0, \alpha_3, -\alpha_4))$ . Combining these two cases, we have

$$\Gamma = \{((\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4), (\rho^2\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \rho\alpha_3, -\rho\alpha_4)) \in \mathbb{P}^3 \times \mathbb{P}^3 \mid \alpha_1\alpha_2 = 0\},$$

where  $\mathbb{P}^3 = \mathbb{P}(V^*)$ .

The element  $x_1 \otimes x_2 \in T(V)_2$  vanishes on  $\Gamma$ , but  $x_1 \otimes x_2 \notin W$ . Thus, the zero locus of the defining relations of  $A(\rho)$  does not determine the defining relations of  $A(\rho)$  (does not determine  $W$ ). ■

From the results in this chapter, we can now conclude that the algebras  $A(\rho)$  and  $A$  are quantum  $\mathbb{P}^3$ s whose respective point scheme is given by a rank-2 quadric in  $\mathbb{P}^3$ . Such algebras are a new addition to the literature.

### 5.3 Future Research

The results in [15] (respectively, [13]) classify the quantum  $\mathbb{P}^3$ s whose point scheme is given by a rank-4 (respectively, rank-3) quadric in  $\mathbb{P}^3$ . Analogous to that work, we propose classifying all quantum  $\mathbb{P}^3$ s whose point scheme is given by a rank-2 quadric in  $\mathbb{P}^3$  (perhaps by using techniques listed in Section 3 of [13]).

We propose attempting a similar classification to that in the previous proposed research project with rank-1 quadrics in  $\mathbb{P}^3$  instead of rank-2 quadrics (if such algebras exist), or prove that such algebras do not exist.



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