

133. *The Theory of Two-Dimensional Manifolds in the Projective Space of Four Dimensions.*

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In the theory of two-dimensional manifolds F_2 in R_4 there are generally many facts different from those in R_3 . In 1897 K. Kommerell established the theory in the euclidean space,¹⁾ and the theory in the affine space was developed by C. Burstin and W. Mayer in 1927.²⁾ In this note I will build up this theory in the projective space.³⁾ The following results can be modified very easily so as to fit also to the affine space.

1. Let us represent F_2 in parametrical form by $\xi = \xi(u^1, u^2)$, where ξ denotes a system of homogeneous coordinates x^i ($i=1, 2, \dots, 5$) of a point. We consider at first a differential form

$$G_2^* \equiv G_{ij} du^i du^j = |\xi \xi_1 \xi_2 d\xi_1 d\xi_2|.$$

which is apparently invariant under the projective transformation group, where

$$\xi_1 = \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial u^1}, \quad \xi_2 = \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial u^2}.$$

By a transformation of parameters $u^i = u^i(\bar{u}^1, \bar{u}^2)$, the forms G_2 and G_4 are transformed as follows:

$$G_2^* = \Delta^2 \bar{G}_2^*, \quad G_{uv} = \Delta^2 \bar{G}_{ij} \frac{\partial \bar{u}^i}{\partial u^u} \frac{\partial \bar{u}^j}{\partial u^v},$$

where

$$\Delta = \frac{\partial(u^1, u^2)}{\partial(\bar{u}^1, \bar{u}^2)}.$$

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