NON-INVOLUTORIAL SPACE TRANSFORMATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH A $Q_{1,2}$ CONGRUENCE

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De Paolis¹ discussed the involutorial transformations associated with the congruence of lines meeting a curve of order m and an (m-1)-fold secant, while Vogt² studied the transformation T for a linear congruence and bundle of lines. In the present paper the transformations associated with the congruence of lines on a conic and a secant of it are discussed.

Given a conic r, a line s meeting r once, and two projective pencils of surfaces

$$|F_{n+m+1}|$$
: $r^n s^m g$; $|F'_{n'+m'+1}|$: $r^{n'} s^{m'} g'$,

where $n \le m+1$, $n' \le m'+1$, [r, s] = A, and g, g' the residual base curves.

Through a generic point P, there passes a single surface F of |F|. The unique line t through P, r, s meets the associated F' in one residual point P', image (T) of P. The transformations to be considered are of three types:

Case I. n=m+1, n'=m'+1. Case II. n < m+1, n' < m'+1. Case III. n=m+1, n' < m'+1.

CASE I

Given

$$|F_{2n}|: r^n s^{n-1}g; |F'_{2n'}|: r^{n'} s^{n'-1}g';$$

where g, g' are of order n^2+2n-1 , $n'^2+2n'-1$. The curve g meets r, s in n^2+2n-1 , n^2-1 points respectively.

The conic r is a fundamental curve whose image (T^{-1}) is $R: r^{n+n'}$, since there are (n+n') invariant directions through each point on r. R is generated by a monoidal plane curve of order n+n'+1, one curve on each plane of the pencil $(O_rs) = w$, as O_r describes r. The fundamental line s has for image (T^{-1}) a surface $S: s^{n+n'-1}$, of which n+n'-2 branches are invariant. A is a fundamental point of the first kind, whose image (T^{-1}) is the plane u:r. In the plane v:s and tangent

¹ De Paolis, Alcuni particolari trasformazioni involutori dello spazio, Rendiconti dell' Accademia dei Lincei, Rome, (4), vol. 1 (1885), pp. 735-742, 754-758.

² Vogt, Zentrale und windschiefe Raum-Verwandtschaften, Jahresbericht der Schlesischen Gesellschaft für Vaterländische Kultur, class 84, 1906, pp. 8-16.