

COHOMOLOGICAL PROPERTIES OF THE RESTRICTION  
OF SCHUR FUNCTORS OF  $\Omega_{\mathbb{P}^3}$  TO SPACE CURVES

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**Abstract:** We consider cohomological properties of the restriction of  $\Omega_{\mathbb{P}^3}$  and its related sheaf (by any Schur functor) to many high general space curves.

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1. Introduction

Let  $Y$  be any connected projective scheme algebraically closed field  $\mathbb{K}$  with  $\text{char}(\mathbb{K}) = 0$  and  $F$  any vector bundle on  $Y$ . For any integer  $m \geq 1$  let  $\Pi(m)'$  denote the set of all partitions  $a_1 \geq \dots \geq a_k > 0$  of  $m$ . For any  $\tau \in \Pi(m)'$  let  $\tau(F)$  denote the corresponding direct factor of  $F^{\otimes m}$ . Thus  $F^{\otimes m} = \bigoplus_{\tau \in \Pi(m)'} \tau(F)$ . Notice however that  $\tau(F) = 0$  if  $\tau$  is associated to a partition  $a_1 \geq \dots \geq a_k > 0$  of  $m$  with  $k > 0$ . Let  $\Gamma(m)'$  denote the set of all pairs  $(u, v)$ , where  $u$  is any unordered decomposition  $m_1 + \dots + m_s$  of  $m$  with  $s > 0$  and  $m_i > 0$  for all  $i$ , while  $v = \tau_1 \dots \tau_s$  with  $\tau_i \in \Pi(m_i)'$  for all  $i$ . For any  $\gamma \in \Gamma(m)$  let  $\gamma(F)$  denote the associated vector bundle on  $Y$ . Set  $r_\gamma(F) := \text{rank}(\gamma(F))$ . The integer  $r_\gamma(F)$  depends only from  $\gamma$  and the integer  $\text{rank}(F)$ . If  $\text{rank}(F) = 3$ , then we will write  $r_\gamma$  instead of  $r_\gamma(F)$ . We write

$\Pi(m)$  (resp.  $\Gamma(m)$ ) to denote the set of all  $\tau \in \Pi(m)'$  (resp.  $\Gamma(m)'$ ) such that  $\tau(F) \neq 0$  when  $\text{rank}(F) = 3$ . For instance  $\Pi(m)$  is the set of all partitions  $a_1 \geq \dots \geq a_k > 0$  of  $m$  with  $k \leq 3$ . Set  $\Omega := \Omega_{\mathbf{P}^3}$ .

Here we describe the space curves we are interested in.

**Remark 1.** For any integer  $t > 0$  let  $C_t$  denote any arithmetically Cohen-Macaulay space curve whose minimal free resolution is of the form

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}^3}(-t-1)^{\oplus t} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}^3}(-t)^{\oplus t+1} \rightarrow \mathcal{I}_{C_t} \rightarrow 0. \quad (1)$$

Thus  $\deg(C_t) = t(t+1)/2$  and  $p_a(C_t) = 1 + t(t+1)(2t-5)/6$  and the homogeneous ideal of  $C_t$  is generated by  $t+1$  forms of degree  $t$ . The family  $\Phi_t$  of all such curves  $C_t$ 's is irreducible (as for all arithmetically Cohen-Macaulay space curves with fixed degree and arithmetic genus ([4], Theorem 2)) and the general  $C_t \in \Phi_t$  is smooth ([8], or [5], or [2], Section 1). For instance, every  $C_1$  is a line, the smooth  $C_2$ 's are the smooth linearly normal rational curves, while the smooth  $C_3$ 's are exactly the smooth genus 3 and degree 6 curves not contained in a quadric, i.e. the non hyperelliptic ones (see [7]) By Castelnuovo-Mumford's Lemma every space curve  $D$  such that  $h^i(\mathbf{P}^3, \mathcal{I}_D(t-1)) = 0$  for  $i = 0, 1, 2$ , is an element of  $\Phi_t$ . If  $t \geq 2$  (resp.  $t \geq 4$ ), then  $\Omega|_{C_t}$  is semistable (resp. stable) for a general  $C_t \in \Phi_t$  ([3], Lemma 2.7). Fix a smooth quadric surface  $Q \subset \mathbf{P}^3$ . For each integer  $t > 0$  there are curves  $C_t \in \Phi_t$  and  $C_{t+2} \in \Phi_{t+2}$  such that  $C_t$  is smooth,  $C_{t+2}$  is nodal,  $C_{t+2} = C_t \cup A$  with  $A$  general in  $|\mathcal{O}_Q(t+1, t+2)|$  and  $\#(C_t \cap A) = t(t+1)$ , i.e such that  $C_t \cap Q \subseteq A$  ([3], Lemma 2.2).

For a general  $C_t \in \Phi_t$  we will prove the following result.

**Theorem 1.** Fix positive integers  $t, k, m$  such that  $t \geq 2$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma(m)$ . Set  $\eta_m = 1$  if  $m \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{3}$  and  $\eta_m = 2$  if  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ . Set  $\epsilon_t = \lfloor (t+1)/2 \rfloor$ . Fix a general  $C \in \Phi_t$  and general finite sets  $A \subset C$ ,  $B \subset C$  such that  $\#(A) \leq \lfloor (-2mt(t+1) + kmt(t+1)/2)/3 \rfloor - t(t+1)(2t-5)/6 - \eta_t \cdot \epsilon_t$  and  $\#(B) \geq \lceil (-2mt(t+1) + kmt(t+1)/2)/3 \rceil - t(t+1)(2t-5)/6 + \eta_t \cdot \epsilon_t$ . Then  $h^1(C, (\gamma(\Omega)(k)|C)(-A)) = 0$  and  $h^0(C, (\gamma(\Omega)(k)|C)(-B)) = 0$ .

**Lemma 1.** Let  $Y$  a reduced equidimensional projective curve such that  $Y = C \cup D$  with  $C \neq \emptyset$  and  $D \neq \emptyset$ . Set  $Z := C \cap D$  (scheme-theoretic intersection). Let  $F$  be a vector bundle on  $Y$  and  $A \subset C \setminus Z_{red}$ ,  $B \subset D \setminus Z_{red}$  closed subschemes such that  $h^1(C, \mathcal{I}_{A,C} \otimes (F|C)) = h^1(D, \mathcal{I}_{B \cup Z, D} \otimes (F|D)) = 0$ . Then  $h^1(Y, \mathcal{I}_{A \cup B, Y} \otimes F) = 0$ .

*Proof.* Since  $A_{red} \cap Z_{red} = B_{red} \cap Z_{red} = \emptyset$  and  $F$  is locally free, we have a Mayer-Vietoris exact sequence on  $Y$ :

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{I}_{A \cup B, Y} \otimes F \rightarrow \mathcal{I}_{A, C} \otimes (F|C) \oplus \mathcal{I}_{B, D} \otimes (F|D) \rightarrow F|Z \rightarrow 0. \quad (2)$$

Since  $h^1(D, \mathcal{I}_{B \cup Z, D} \otimes (F|D)) = 0$ , the restriction map  $H^0(D, \mathcal{I}_{B, D} \otimes (F|D)) \rightarrow H^0(Z, F|Z)$  is surjective. Apply the cohomology exact sequence associated to (2).  $\square$

**Remark 2.** In the set-up of the statement of Lemma 1 we have  $h^1(D, \mathcal{I}_{B \cup Z, D} \otimes (F|D)) = 0$  if  $D \cong \mathbf{P}^1$  and  $F|D$  has splitting type  $a_1 \geq \dots \geq a_n$  with  $a_n \geq \text{length}(Z \cup B) - 1$ .

Taking  $A = B = \emptyset$  in the proof of Lemma 1 we get the following result.

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $Y$  a reduced equidimensional projective curve such that  $Y = C \cup D$  with  $C \neq \emptyset$  and  $D \neq \emptyset$ . Set  $Z := C \cap D$  (scheme-theoretic intersection). Let  $F$  be a vector bundle on  $Y$  such that the restriction map  $H^0(D, F|D) \rightarrow H^0(Z, F|Z)$  is surjective. Then:*

$$h^0(Y, F) = h^0(C, F|C) + h^0(D, F|D) - \text{length}(Z) \cdot \text{rank}(F) \quad (3)$$

$$h^1(Y, F) = h^1(C, F|C) + h^1(D, F|D). \quad (4)$$

**Remark 3.** Let  $D \subset \mathbf{P}^3$  be a rational normal curve. Then  $TP^n|D$  is isomorphic to the direct sum of 3 line bundles of degree 4 (see e.g. [3], Lemma 1.3).

**Remark 4.** Fix an integer  $m \geq 1$ , a reduced and connected projective curve  $Y$ ,  $M \in \text{Pic}(Y)$  and a rank 3 vector bundle  $F$  on  $Y$ . Set  $x := \text{deg}(F)$ ; here  $\text{deg}$  means the total degree. For any vector bundle  $A$  on  $Y$  let  $\mu(A) := \text{deg}(A)/\text{rank}(A)$  denote the slope of  $A$ . We have  $\mu(A \otimes B) = \mu(A) + \mu(B)$  for all vector bundles  $A, B$ . Furthermore, all the factors  $\tau(A)$ ,  $\tau \in \Pi(m)$ , have the same slope. Hence we get  $\mu(\gamma(F)) = m \cdot \mu(F) = mx/3$  for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma(m)$ . Thus  $\text{deg}(\tau(A)) = mx \cdot r_\gamma/3$  for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma(m)$ . We have  $\text{deg}(\gamma(A) \otimes M) = \text{deg}(\gamma(A)) + r_\gamma \cdot \text{deg}(M)$  ([6], Lemma 2.1). By Riemann-Roch we have  $\chi(\gamma(A) \otimes M) = \text{deg}(\gamma(A) \otimes M) + r_\gamma(1 - p_a(Y))$ .

**Lemma 3.** *Let  $C \subset \mathbf{P}^3$  be a smooth linearly normal elliptic curve and  $R \in \text{Pic}^t(C)$ ,  $t \geq 3$ . Fix an integer  $m \geq 1$ , any  $\gamma \in \Gamma(m)$ , and any  $A, B \subset C$ ,  $A \subset C$ , such that  $\sharp(A) = \lfloor (-16m)/3 \rfloor + t$  and  $\sharp(B) = \lceil (-16m)/3 \rceil + t$ . If  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ , then fix a general  $A' \in C$  such that  $\sharp(A') = t - (16m)/3$ . Then:*

- (i)  $\Omega|C$  is stable;
- (ii)  $h^1(C, (\Omega|C) \otimes (R(-A))) = h^0(C, (\Omega|C) \otimes (R(-B))) = 0$ ;
- (iii)  $\gamma(\Omega|C)$  is semistable;

(iv) assume  $3t > 4m$  and  $m \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{3}$ ; then  $h^1(C, (\gamma(\Omega|C)) \otimes (R(-A'))) = h^0(C, (\gamma(\Omega|C)) \otimes (R(-B'))) = 0$ ;

(v) assume  $3t > 4m$  and  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ ; then  $h^1(C, (\gamma(\Omega|C)) \otimes (R(-A'))) = h^0(C, (\gamma(\Omega|C)) \otimes (R(-A'))) = 0$ .

*Proof.* Taking duals, to prove (i) it is sufficient to prove that  $TP^3(-1)|C$  is semistable.  $TP^3(-1)|C$  is a spanned vector bundle with rank 3 and degree 4. Since  $C$  is not planar, it is easy to check (use the Euler's sequence) that  $\mathcal{O}_C$  is not a factor of  $TP^3(-1)|C$ . No degree 1 line bundle on  $C$  is spanned. No degree 1 or degree 2 rank two indecomposable vector bundle on  $C$  is spanned. Hence  $TP^3(-1)|C$  is indecomposable. Thus  $TP^3(-1)|C$  is semistable by Atiyah's classification of vector bundles on an elliptic curve ([1], Part (ii)). Part (ii) follows from part (i), because  $(\Omega|C) \otimes R$  has slope  $t - (4/3)$ . Furthermore  $\gamma(\Omega|C)$  is semistable for all  $\gamma \in \Gamma(m)$ . Hence parts (iii), (iv) and (v) follow from the cohomology of semistable vector bundles on  $C$  ([1], Part II).  $\square$

**Lemma 4.** Fix positive integers  $x, y, a, b, m$ , a smooth quadric surface  $Q \subset \mathbf{P}^3$ , a general  $C \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(4, 4)|$ , and general  $A, B \subset C$  such that  $\sharp(A) = a$  and  $\sharp(B) = b$ . If  $m \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{3}$ , then assume  $a \leq \lfloor (-16m/3) \rfloor + 4x + 4y - 4$  and  $b \geq \lceil (-16m/3) \rceil + 4x + 4y - 4$ . If  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ , then assume  $a \leq \lfloor (-16m/3) \rfloor + 4x + 4y - 5$  and  $b \geq \lceil (-16m/3) \rceil + 4x + 4y - 3$ . Then

$$h^1(C, (\Omega(x, y)|C) \otimes (-A)) = h^0(C, (\Omega(x, y)|C)(-B)) = 0.$$

*Proof.* Notice that  $C$  has genus 5. Let  $D, D'$  be general elements of  $|\mathcal{O}_Q(2, 2)|$ . Hence  $T := D \cup D'$  is a nodal member of  $|\mathcal{O}_Q(4, 4)|$ . First assume  $m \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{3}$ . To prove the statement for  $A$  it is sufficient to prove the case  $a = \lfloor (-16m/3) \rfloor + 4x + 4y - 4$ . By Lemma 4 applied to  $D'$  and the line bundle  $\mathcal{O}_{D'}(x, y)$  there is  $E \subset D' \setminus (D \cap D')$  such that  $\sharp(E) = \lfloor (-8m/3) \rfloor + 2x + 2y$  and  $h^1(D', (\gamma(\Omega|D')) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{D'}(x, y)(-E)) = 0$ . By Lemma 3 applied to  $D$  and the line bundle  $\mathcal{O}_D(x-2, x-2)$  there is  $E' \subset D$  such that  $h^1(D, (\gamma(\Omega|D')) \otimes \mathcal{O}_D(x-2, y-2)(-E')) = 0$ . Notice that  $D \cap D' \in |\mathcal{O}_D(2, 2)|$ . Hence  $h^1(D, (\gamma(\Omega|D')) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{D'}(x, y)(-E' - (D \cap D'))) = 0$ . hence a Mayer-Vietoris exact sequence gives  $h^1(T, (\Omega(x, y)|E) \otimes (-E - E')) = 0$ . Notice that  $\sharp(E \cup E') = \lfloor (-16m/3) \rfloor + 4x + 4y - 4$ . Then by semicontinuity we get the statement for a general  $C \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(4, 4)|$  and a general  $A \subset C$ . The same proof works for the set  $B$  and in the case  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 5.** Fix positive integers  $s, x, y, a, b, m$  such that  $s \geq 2$ , a smooth quadric surface  $Q \subset \mathbf{P}^3$ , a general  $C \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(s, s)|$ , and general  $A, B \subset C$

such that  $\sharp(A) = a$  and  $\sharp(B) = b$ . If  $m \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{3}$ , then assume  $a \leq \lfloor (-8sm/3) \rfloor + sx + sy - s^2 + 2s$  and  $b \geq \lceil (-8sm/3) \rceil + sx + sy - s^2 + 2s$ . If  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ , then assume  $a \leq \lfloor (-8sm/3) \rfloor + sx + sy - s^2 + 2s - 1$  and  $b \geq \lceil (-8sm/3) \rceil + sx + sy - s^2 + 2s + 1$ . Then

$$h^1(C, (\Omega(x, y)|C) \otimes (-A)) = h^0(C, (\Omega(x, y)|C)(-B)) = 0.$$

*Proof.* We will do the proof for the set  $A$ , the other case being similar. It is sufficient to do the case  $a = \lfloor (-8sm)/3 \rfloor + s(x + y) - s^2 + 2s$ . Notice that  $p_a(C) = s^2 - 2s + 1$  (use the adjunction formula). First assume  $s \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ . Take general  $D_i \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(2, 1)|$  and  $D'_i \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 2)|$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq s/3$ . Hence  $T := \bigcup_{i=1}^{s/3} (D_i \cup D'_i)$  is a nodal element of  $|\mathcal{O}_Q(s, s)|$ . Take general  $E'_i \in D'_i$  and  $E_i \subset D_i$  such that  $\sharp(E'_i) = -4 + x + 2y + 9(1 - i)$  and  $\sharp(E_i) = -4 + 2x + y - 4 + 9(1 - i)$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq s/3$ . Set  $E := \bigcup_{i=1}^{s/3} (E_i \cup E'_i)$ . Notice that  $\sharp(E) = \lfloor (-8sm)/3 \rfloor + s(x + y) - s^2 + 2s$ . Apply Remark 3 with respect to  $D'_1$ , the line bundle  $\mathcal{O}_{D'_1}(x, y)$  and the set  $E'_1$ . Then apply Remark 3 with respect to  $D_1$ , the line bundle  $\mathcal{O}_{D_1}(x - 1, y - 2)$  and the set  $E_1$  (as in the proof of Lemma 4). Then apply Remark 3 with respect to  $D'_2$ , the line bundle  $\mathcal{O}_{D'_2}(x - 3, y - 3)$  and the set  $E'_2$ . And so on. Now assume  $s \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ . Take general  $D_i \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(2, 1)|$  and  $D'_i \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 2)|$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq (s - 2)/3$  and a general  $D \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(2, 2)|$ . Hence  $T := \bigcup_{i=1}^{s/3} (D_i \cup D'_i) \cup D$  is a nodal element of  $|\mathcal{O}_Q(s, s)|$ . Apply the proof of the case  $s \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ , except that you must do another step (the last one) using the curve  $D$  and applying Lemma 3 to this curve. Now assume  $s \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ . Take general  $D_i \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(2, 1)|$  and  $D'_i \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 2)|$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq (s - 4)/3$  and a general  $D \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(4, 4)|$ . Hence  $T := \bigcup_{i=1}^{s/3} (D_i \cup D'_i) \cup D$  is a nodal element of  $|\mathcal{O}_Q(s, s)|$ . Apply the proof of the case  $s \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ , except that you must do another step (the last one) using the curve  $D$  and applying Lemma 4 to this curve.  $\square$

**Lemma 6.** Fix positive integers  $s, x, y, a, b, m$ , a smooth quadric surface  $Q \subset \mathbf{P}^3$ , a general  $C \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(s, s + 1)|$ , and general  $A, B \subset C$  such that  $\sharp(A) = a$  and  $\sharp(B) = b$ . If  $s \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$  assume  $s \geq 5$ , If  $m \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{3}$ , then assume  $a \leq \lfloor (-4(2s + 1)m/3) \rfloor + (s + 1)x + sy - s^2 + s + 1$  and  $b \geq \lceil (-4(2s + 1)m/3) \rceil + (s + 1)x + sy - s^2 + s + 1$ . If  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ , then assume  $a \leq \lfloor (-4(2s + 1)m/3) \rfloor + (s + 1)x + sy - s^2 + s$  and  $b \geq \lceil (-4(2s + 1)m/3) \rceil + (s + 1)x + sy - s^2 + s + 2$ . Then  $h^1(C, (\Omega(x, y)|C) \otimes (-A)) = h^0(C, (\Omega(x, y)|C)(-B)) = 0$ .

*Proof.* We will do the proof for the set  $A$ , the other case being similar. It is sufficient to do the case  $a = \lfloor (-4(2s + 1)m)/3 \rfloor + (s + 1)x + sy - s^2 + s + 1$ . Notice that  $p_a(C) = s^2 - s$  (use the adjunction formula). First assume  $s \equiv 1$

(mod 3). Take general  $D_i \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(2, 1)|$  and  $D'_i \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 2)|$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq (s-1)/3$  and a general  $D \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 2)|$ . Hence  $T := D \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^{(s-1)/3} (D_i \cup D'_i)$  is a nodal element of  $|\mathcal{O}_Q(s, s+1)|$ . Take general  $F \subset D$ ,  $E'_i \in D'_i$  and  $E_i \subset D_i$  such that  $\sharp(F) = -4m + x + 2y - 1$ ,  $\sharp(E'_i) = -4m + x - 1 + 2y - 2 + 9(1-i)$  and  $\sharp(E_i) = -4m + 2x - 2 + y - 1 - 4 + 9(1-i)$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq s/3$ . Set  $E := F \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^{s/3} (E_i \cup E'_i)$ . Notice that  $\sharp(E) = \lfloor (-4s(s+1)m)/3 \rfloor + s(x+y) - s^2 + 2s$ . Apply Remark 3 first with respect to  $D$ ,  $\mathcal{O}_D(x, y)$  and the set  $F$ . Then apply Remark 3 with respect to  $D'_1$ , the line bundle  $\mathcal{O}_{D'_1}(x-1, y-2)$  and the set  $E'_1$ . Then apply Remark 3 with respect to  $D_1$ , the line bundle  $\mathcal{O}_{D_1}(x-2, y-4)$  and the set  $E_1$  (as in the proof of Lemma 4). Then apply Remark 3 with respect to  $D'_2$ , the line bundle  $\mathcal{O}_{D'_2}(x-4, y-5)$  and the set  $E'_2$ . And so on. Now assume  $s \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ . Take a general  $D \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 2)|$ , a general  $D' \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 2)|$ , general  $D_i \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(2, 1)|$  and  $D'_i \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(2, 2)|$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq (s-3)/3$  and a general  $D \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(2, 2)|$ . Hence  $T := D' \cup D \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^{s/3} (D_i \cup D'_i)$  is a nodal element of  $|\mathcal{O}_Q(s, s+1)|$ . Apply the proof of the case  $s \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ , except that you must do another step (the last one) using the curve  $D'$  and applying Lemma 3 to this curve. Now assume  $s \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ . Take general  $D \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 2)|$ , a general  $D' \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 2)|$ , general  $D_i \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(2, 1)|$  and  $D'_i \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 2)|$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq (s-5)/3$  and a general  $D' \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(4, 4)|$ . Hence  $T := D \cup D' \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^{s/3} (D_i \cup D'_i)$  is a nodal element of  $|\mathcal{O}_Q(s, s)|$ . Apply the proof of the case  $s \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ , except for the curve  $D'$ : you must apply Lemma 4 to this curve.  $\square$

**Lemma 7.** *Fix positive integers  $x, y, m$ , a smooth quadric  $Q$ , a general  $C \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(2, 4)|$  and general  $A \subset C$ ,  $B \subset C$  Then*

$$h^1(C, (\Omega(k)|_C) \otimes (-A)) = h^0(C, (\Omega(k)|_C)(-B)) = 0.$$

*Proof.* Notice that  $p_a(C) = 3$ . Fix two general  $D, D' \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 2)|$ . Take a general  $F \subset D$  and a general  $F' \subset D'$  such that  $\sharp(F) = -4 + 2x + y$ ,  $\sharp(F') = -8 + 2x + y$ . Set  $E := F \cup F'$ . Notice that  $T := D \cup D'$  is a nodal element of  $|\mathcal{O}_Q(2, 4)|$ ,  $\sharp(D \cap D') = 4$ . Then make the usual proof (first use  $D$  and then  $D'$ ), each time quoting Remark 3.  $\square$

**Lemma 8.** *Let  $C$  be a general element of  $C_3$ . Fix positive integers  $m, k$  and general  $A \subset C$ ,  $B \subset C$  such that  $\sharp(A) \leq \lfloor (-24m + 8mk)/3 \rfloor - 2$  and  $\sharp(B) \geq \lceil (-24m + 8mk)/3 \rceil - 2$ . Then  $h^1(C, (\Omega(k)|_C) \otimes (-A)) = h^0(C, (\Omega(k)|_C)(-B)) = 0$ .*

*Proof.* Fix any smooth quadric  $Q$ . The closure of  $\Phi_t$  in  $\text{Hilb}(\mathbf{P}^3)$  contains all degree 6 embeddings of all genus 3 hyperelliptic curves and hence all smooth

elements of  $|\mathcal{O}_Q(2, 4)|$ . Apply Lemma 7 and the semicontinuity of cohomology.  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 1.* Let  $Q \subset \mathbf{P}^3$  be a smooth quadric. We start with a general  $C_3 \in \Phi_t$  if  $t$  is odd and with a general  $C_2 \in \Phi_2$  (i.e. a rational normal curve). We apply Lemma 8 to  $C_3$  and Remark 3 to  $C_2$ . Now assume  $t \geq 4$ . We use induction on the integer  $t$  passing from  $t - 2$  to  $t$ . By Remark 1 we may find  $C_t \in \Phi_t$  such that  $C_t = C_{t-2} \cup A$  with  $C_{t-2}$  general in  $\Phi_{t-2}$  and  $A$  general in  $|\mathcal{O}_Q(t - 1, t)|$ . We apply Lemma 6 to  $A$  and then make the usual proof for a reducible curve.  $\square$

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