

**POSTULATION OF GENERAL UNIONS OF
DOUBLE LINES, LINES AND DOUBLE
POINTS IN A PROJECTIVE SPACE**

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Abstract: We study the Hilbert function of general unions $X \subset \mathbb{P}^r$ of double points and a “small” number of lines and double lines. Non asymptotic results are given only for $r = 3$.

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1. Introduction

For each $P \in \mathbb{P}^r$, $r \geq 3$, let $2P$ be the closed subscheme of \mathbb{P}^r with $(\mathcal{I}_P)^2$ as its ideal sheaf. We will say that $2P$ is a 2-point and that P is the support of $2P$. For any line $L \subset \mathbb{P}^r$, $r \geq 3$, let $2L$ be the closed subscheme of \mathbb{P}^r with $(\mathcal{I}_L)^2$ as its ideal sheaf. We will say that $2L$ is a 2-line and that P is the support of $2L$. Since the conormal bundle of L is isomorphic to $\mathcal{O}_L(-1)^{\oplus(r-1)}$, $2L$ a scheme with $\chi(\mathcal{O}_{2L}(t)) = rt + 1$ for all $t \in \mathbb{Z}$.

For all $(t, a, c) \in \mathbb{N}^3$ and all $r \geq 3$ let $L(t, a, c; r)$ denote the set of all schemes $X \subset \mathbb{P}^r$ which are the disjoint union of t lines, a 2-points and c 2-lines.

Theorem 1. Fix an integer $k \geq 5$ and $(t, a, c) \in \mathbb{N}^3$ such that $3t + c \leq \lfloor k^2/64 \rfloor$. Fix a general $X \in L(t, a, c; 3)$.

(i) If $t(k + 1) + (3k + 1)c + 4a \leq \binom{k+3}{3}$, then $h^1(\mathcal{I}_X(k)) = 0$.

(ii) If $t(k + 1) + (3k + 1)c + 4a \geq \binom{k+3}{3}$, then $h^0(\mathcal{I}_X(k)) = 0$

Remark 1. Assume $3t + c \leq \lfloor (k - 1)^2/64 \rfloor$ and $t(k + 1) + (3k + 1)c + 4a \leq \binom{k+3}{3}$. Fix a general $X \in L(t, a, c; 3)$. By part (i) for the integer k and part (ii) for the integer $k - 1$ we get that X has maximal rank. The best constant we could obtain when $k \gg 0$ with the proof in this paper is $3t + c \leq k^2/32$, but we have numerical problems for low k . For a fixed $c \leq k^2/32$ it is easy to get some t with $3t + c > k^2/32$ (but not by much) and for which the proof works; in step (ii) of the proof of Theorem 1 we need to modify step (i2) adding a step $k - 4 \implies k - 2$ in which we add lines in Q .

In section 3 we describe all cases with $k \leq 5$, the cases with $k = 6$ and $c = 1$ and a few other cases. There are a few cases with $h^0(\mathcal{I}_X(k)) \cdot h^1(\mathcal{I}_X(k)) > 0$ for a general $X \in L(t, a, c; 3)$, but each case may be explained by a geometrical reason for its bad Hilbert function in degree k .

In the case $r > 4$ we first take the case $c = 0$ with an additional (unknown) zero-dimensional scheme Z (see [4], [6], [7] for the case $Z = \emptyset$ and/or $at = 0$).

Proposition 1. For all integers $r \geq 4$ and $z \geq 0$ there is an integer $\beta_{r,z} > 0$ such that for every zero-dimensional scheme $Z \subset \mathbb{P}^r$ with $\deg(Z) \leq z$ and all $(t, a) \in \mathbb{N}^2$ with $a \geq \alpha_{r,x}$ a general union of Z and a general element of $L(t, a, 0; r)$ has maximal rank.

Proposition 2. For all integers $r \geq 4$ and $z \geq 0$ there is an integer $\tau_{r,z} > 0$ with the following property: for every zero-dimensional scheme $Z \subset \mathbb{P}^r$ with $\deg(Z) \leq z$ and all $(t, a) \in \mathbb{N}^2$ with $t \geq \tau_{r,z}$ a general union of Z and a general element of $L(t, a, 0; r)$ has maximal rank.

Taking the union of Propositions 1 and 2 we get the following result.

Corollary 1. For all integers $r \geq 4$ and $z \geq 0$ there is an integer $\delta_{r,z} > 0$ such that for every zero-dimensional scheme $Z \subset \mathbb{P}^r$ with $\deg(Z) \leq z$ and all $(t, a) \in \mathbb{N}^2$ with $a + t \geq \delta_{r,z}$ a general union of Z and a general element of $L(t, a, 0; r)$ has maximal rank.

Remark 2. Fix an integer $x > 0$ and assume $r \geq x + 4$. Fix a degree x integer-valued polynomial ψ with $\deg(\psi) = x$ which is the Hilbert polynomial of some subscheme of \mathbb{P}^r . As in [5] we may use induction on r and x and get integers $\beta_{r,\psi}$, $\tau_{r,\psi}$ and $\delta_{r,\psi}$ which works as in Propositions 1, 2 and in Corollary 1.

In the case $z = 0$ and $c > 0$ see Proposition 3.

Conjecture 1. *Fix an integer $r \geq 3$. Is there an integer u_r with the following property: fix $(t, a, c) \in \mathbb{N}^3$ such that $t + a \geq u_r$; has a general element of $L(t, a, c; r)$ maximal rank ?*

We recall that [10] raised the question of the Hilbert function of unions of multiples of linear subspaces.

2. Preliminaries

For any finite subset $S \subset \mathbb{P}^r$ set $2S := \cup_{O \in S} 2O$. For any finite union $E \subset \mathbb{P}^r$ of disjoint lines set $2E := \cup_{L \subset E} 2L$. Fix a hyperplane $H \subset \mathbb{P}^r$. For any $P \in H$, any finite subset $S \subset H$, any line $L \subset H$ and any union $E \subset H$ of finitely many disjoint lines set $\{2P, H\} := 2P \cap H$, $\{2S, H\} := 2S \cap H$, $\{2L, H\} := 2L \cap H$ and $\{2E, H\} := 2E \cap H$. Write $L(t, a, c) := L(t, a, c; 3)$ and call $X(t, a, c)$ a general element of $L(t, a, c)$.

For any closed subscheme $X \subset \mathbb{P}^r$ the residual scheme $\text{Res}_H(X)$ of X with respect to H is the closed subscheme of \mathbb{P}^r with $\mathcal{I}_X : \mathcal{I}_H$ as its ideal sheaf.

Let $X \subset \mathbb{P}^r$ be a closed subscheme. Fix a hypersurface $T \subset \mathbb{P}^r$ and set $y := \text{deg}(T)$. The residual scheme $\text{Res}_T(X)$ of X with respect to T is the closed subscheme of \mathbb{P}^r with $\mathcal{I}_X : \mathcal{I}_T$ as its ideal sheaf. For each $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ we have an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_T(X)}(x - y) \rightarrow \mathcal{I}_X(x) \rightarrow \mathcal{I}_{X \cap T, T}(x) \rightarrow 0 \tag{1}$$

which is often called the Castelnuovo’s sequence or the Horace sequence.

Let $Q \subset \mathbb{P}^3$ be a smooth quadric surface. For any $P \in Q$, any finite subset $S \subset H$, any line $L \subset H$ and any union $E \subset H$ of finitely many disjoint lines set $\{2P, Q\} := 2P \cap Q$, $\{2S, Q\} := 2S \cap Q$, $\{2L, Q\} := 2L \cap Q$ and $\{2E, Q\} := 2E \cap Q$. Call $|\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$ and $|\mathcal{O}_Q(0, 1)|$ the two rulings of Q . Fix $D \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(e, f)|$ and a closed subscheme A of Q . The residual scheme $\text{Res}_D(A)$ of A with respect to D is the closed subscheme of Q with $\mathcal{I}_A : \mathcal{I}_D$ as its ideal sheaf. For all $(a, b) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ we have an exact sequence (called again a Castelnuovo’s sequence):

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_D(A)}(a - e, b - f) \rightarrow \mathcal{I}_A(a, b) \rightarrow \mathcal{I}_{A \cap D, D}(a, b) \rightarrow 0 \tag{2}$$

Set $L(t, a, c) := L(t, a, c; 3)$. For any $(t, a, b, c) \in \mathbb{N}^3 \setminus \{(0, 0, 0)\}$ let $X(t, a, c)$ denote the general member of $L(t, a, c)$. We write $L(0, 0, 0) := \{\emptyset\}$. Therefore $X(0, 0, 0) = \emptyset$. For any $(t, a, c) \in \mathbb{N}^3 \setminus \{(0, 0, 0)\}$ the minimal integer k such that $(k + 1)t + (3k + 1)c + 4a \leq \binom{k+3}{3}$ is called the *critical value* of k . We

have $k = 1$ if and only if (t, a, b) is one of the following triples $(1, 0, 0)$, $(2, 0, 0)$, $(0, 1, 0)$, $(0, 0, 1)$. We claim that for any triple (t, a, c) with critical value 1 the scheme $X(t, a, c)$ has maximal rank. To check the Hilbert function in the case $(t, a, c; r) = (0, 0, 1; 3)$ it is sufficient to use the following well-known lemma.

Lemma 1. *We have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,0,1)}(x)) = 0$ and $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,0,1)}(x)) = \binom{x+3}{3} - 3x - 1$ for all $t > 0$.*

We also use the following result ([4, Theorem 1]):

Lemma 2. *Fix $(t, a) \in \mathbb{N}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$ and an integer $k \geq 3$. Then either $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,0)}(k)) = 0$ or $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,0)}(k)) = 0$, unless either $(t, a, k) = (2, 3, 3)$ or $(t, a, k) = (0, 9, 4)$. We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(2,3,0)}(3)) = h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,9,0)}(4)) = 1$.*

We use the following well-known and elementary lemma.

Lemma 3. *Fix an integral surface $T \subset \mathbb{P}^3$, a closed subscheme $X \subset \mathbb{P}^3$ not containing T , integers $t > 0$, $f > 0$ and a general set $S \subset T$ such that $\#(S) = f$. Set $e := \deg(T)$ and $u := h^0(T, \mathcal{I}_{X \cap T}(t))$.*

- (i) *If $f \geq u$, then $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X \cup S}(t)) = h^0(\mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_T(X)}(t - e))$.*
- (ii) *If $f \leq u$, $h^1(\mathcal{I}_X(t)) = 0$ and $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_T(X)}(t - e)) \leq \max\{0, h^0(\mathcal{I}_X(t)) - f\}$, then $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X \cup S}(t)) = 0$.*
- (iii) *If $h^1(\mathcal{I}_X(t)) = 0$ and $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_T(X)}(t - e)) \leq \max\{0, h^0(\mathcal{I}_X(t)) - f\}$, then either $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X \cup S}(t)) = 0$ or $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X \cup S}(t)) = 0$.*

Remark 3. Fix closed subschemes $Y \subset X \subset \mathbb{P}^r$ and $t \in \mathbb{N}$. If $h^0(\mathcal{I}_Y(t)) = 0$, then obviously $h^0(\mathcal{I}_X(t)) = 0$. Now assume that Y is the union of some of the connected components of X . In this case the restriction map $H^0(\mathcal{O}_X(t)) \rightarrow H^0(\mathcal{O}_Y(t))$ is surjective. Hence $h^1(\mathcal{I}_Y(t)) \leq h^1(\mathcal{I}_X(t))$. If $X = A \sqcup Z$ and $Y = A \sqcup W$ with Z zero-dimensional, then the restriction map $H^0(\mathcal{O}_X(t)) \rightarrow H^0(\mathcal{O}_Y(t))$ is surjective. Hence $h^1(\mathcal{I}_Y(t)) \leq h^1(\mathcal{I}_X(t))$.

3. Low degrees

In this section we study the triples (t, a, c) whose associated integer k is low.

Lemma 4. *We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,0,2)}(3)) = h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,0,2)}(3)) = 0$.*

Proof. Since $h^0(\mathcal{O}_{X(0,0,2)}(3)) = 2 \cdot 10 = \binom{6}{3}$, then $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,0,2)}(3)) = h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,0,2)}(3))$. Let Q' be any smooth quadric surface containing the two lines of $X(0, 0, 2)_{\text{red}}$, say as members of the ruling $|\mathcal{O}_{Q'}(1, 0)|$. Since $X(0, 0, 2) \cap Q' \in |\mathcal{O}_{Q'}(4, 0)|$, we have $h^0(Q', \mathcal{I}_{Q' \cap X(0,0,2)}(3)) = 0$. Hence Q' is a component of every cubic

surface containing $X(0, 0, 2)$. Since there are infinitely many surfaces Q' , we get $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,0,2)}(3)) = 0$. \square

Lemma 5. *We have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,1,1)}(3)) = 0$ and $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,1,1)}(3)) = 6$.*

Proof. Write $X(0, 1, 1) = 2P \sqcup 2L$ with L a line. Let H be the plane spanned by L and P . We have $\text{Res}_H(2L \cup 2P) = L \cup \{P\}$ and hence

$$h^0(\mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_H(X(0,1,1))}(2)) = 6$$

and

$$h^1(\mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_H(X(0,1,1))}(2)) = 0.$$

Since $h^0(H, \mathcal{I}_{X(0,1,1) \cap H}(3)) = 0$, the Castelnuovo's sequence gives the lemma. \square

Lemma 6. *We have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,1,1)}(3)) = 1$ and $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,1,1)}(3)) = 3$.*

Proof. Since $h^0(\mathcal{O}_{X(1,1,1)}(3)) = 18$, we have

$$h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,1,1)}(3)) = 2 + h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,1,1)}(3)).$$

Write $X(1, 1, 1) = R \sqcup 2P \sqcup 2L$ with P a point and L, R lines. Let H be the plane spanned by R and P . We have $\text{Res}_H(X(1, 1, 1)) = L \cup R \cup \{P\}$. Hence $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_H(X(1,1,1))}(2)) = 3$. Since $P \notin R$ and $L \cap R = 1$, $X(1, 1, 1) \cap H$ is the disjoint union of a multiple conic, the 2-point $\{2P, H\}$ of H and the point $R \cap H$. Hence $h^0(H, \mathcal{I}_{X(1,1,1) \cap H}(3)) = 0$. The Castelnuovo's sequence gives $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,1,1)}(3)) = 3$. \square

Lemma 7. *We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,2,1)}(3)) = 2$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,2,1)}(3)) = 0$*

Proof. Write $X(0, 2, 1) = 2L \sqcup 2O \sqcup 2P$ with L a line. Let H (resp. M) be the plane spanned by L and O (resp. L and P). Every cubic surface containing $2L \cup 2O \cup 2P$ contains $H \cup M$. Since $\text{Res}_{H \cup M}(X(0, 2, 1)) = \{O, P\}$, we have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_{H \cup M}(X(0,2,1))}(1)) = 2$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_{H \cup M}(X(0,2,1))}(1)) = 0$. Apply the Castelnuovo's sequence. \square

Lemma 8. *We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(2,0,1)}(3)) = 2$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(2,0,1)}(3)) = 0$*

Proof. Let Q' be the only quadric containing the 3 disjoint lines $X(2, 0, 1)_{\text{red}}$, say as a divisor of type $(3, 0)$. Since $Q' \cap X(2, 0, 1)$ is a divisor of type $(4, 0)$, we have $h^i(Q', \mathcal{I}_{X(2,0,1) \cap Q'}(3)) = 0$, $i = 0, 1$. Since $\text{Res}_{Q'}(X(2, 0, 1))$ is a line, we have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_{Q'}(X(2,0,1))}(1)) = 2$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_{Q'}(X(2,0,1))}(1)) = 0$. Apply the Castelnuovo's sequence. \square

In the same way we check the following lemma.

Lemma 9. *We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,c)}(3)) = 0$ if $t \geq t', a \geq a', c \geq c'$ and (t', a', c') is one of the following triples: $(0, 0, 2), (0, 3, 1), (2, 1, 1), (3, 0, 1), (1, 2, 1)$.*

Lemma 10. *We have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(4,0,1)}(4)) = 0$ and $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(4,0,1)}(4)) = 2$.*

Proof. Since $h^0(\mathcal{O}_{X(4,0,1)}(4)) = 33 = \binom{7}{3} - 2$, we have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(4,0,1)}(4)) = 2 + h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(4,0,1)}(4))$. Take $L, M, R \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$ with $L \neq M, M \neq R$ and $L \neq R$. Take a general $Y \in L(2, 0, 0)$ and set $X := Y \cup 2L \cup M \cup R$. It is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_X(4)) = 0$. Since $Y \cap Q$ is a general union of 4 points, we have $h^1(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X \cap Q}(4)) = h^1(Q, \mathcal{I}_{Y \cap Q}(0, 4)) = 0$. Since $\text{Res}_Q(X) = Y \cup L$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L}(2)) = 0$, Castelnuovo's sequence gives $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(4,0,1)}(4)) = 0 \quad \square$

Since any two points of \mathbb{P}^3 are contained in a line, Lemma 10 implies the following result.

Lemma 11. *We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(5,0,1)}(4)) = 0$.*

Lemma 12. *We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(4,1,1)}(4)) = 0$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(4,1,1)}(x)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 5$.*

Proof. Take $L, M, R \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$ with $L \neq M, M \neq R$ and $L \neq R$ and a general $O \in Q$. Take a general $Y \in L(2, 0, 0)$ and set $X := Y \cup 2L \cup M \cup R \cup 2O$. It is sufficient to prove that $h^0(\mathcal{I}_X(4)) = 0$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_X(x)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 5$. Since $Y \cap Q$ is a general union of 4 points, we have $h^1(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X \cap Q}(4)) = 0$ and $h^1(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X \cap Q}(y)) = 0$ for all $y \geq 5$. Since $\text{Res}_Q(X) = Y \cup L \cup \{O\}$, $Y \not\subseteq Q$ and O is general in Q , we have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_Q(X)}(2)) = 0$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_Q(X)}(x - 2)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 5$. Apply the Castelnuovo's sequence. \square

Lemma 13. *We have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(3,1,1)}(4)) = h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(3,2,1)}(4)) = 0$, while we have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(3,2,1)}(x)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 5$.*

Proof. Fix $L, M, R \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$ with $L \neq M, M \neq R$ and $L \neq R$. Take a general $Y \in L(1, 1, 0)$ and set $X := 2L \cup M \cup R \in L(3, 1, 1)$. We have $\text{Res}_Q(X) = Y$, $h^1(\mathcal{I}_Y(2)) = 0$ and $h^1(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X \cap Q}(4)) = 0$, proving the first equality. Fix a plane H , a line $L \subset H$, $O \in H \setminus L$, and a general $Y \in L(3, 1, 0)$. Set $X' := Y \cup 2L \cup 2O$. We have $\text{Res}_H(X') = Y \cup \{O\} \cup L$. Since $Y \cup L$ is general in $L(4, 1, 0)$, we have $h^i(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L}(3)) = 0, i = 0, 1$ (Lemma 1) and hence $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_H(X')}(3)) = 0$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_H(X')}(x - 1)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 5$. Use the Castelnuovo's sequence. \square

Lemma 14. We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(2,3,1)}(4)) = h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(2,3,1)}(4)) = 1$, while we have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(2,3,1)}(x)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 5$.

Proof. Since $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(2,3,1)}(4)) = \binom{7}{3}$, we have

$$h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(2,3,1)}(4)) = h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(2,3,1)}(4)).$$

Write $X(2, 3, 1) = 2L \sqcup M \sqcup R \sqcup 2S$ with $\sharp(S) = 3$. Let Q_1 (resp. Q_2) be the only quadric containing $L \cup M \cup S$ (resp. $L \cup R \cup S$). Since $X(2, 3, 1) \subset Q_1 \cup Q_2$, we have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(2,3,1)}(4)) \geq 1$. Fix a plane H , a line $R \subset H$, general $P_1, P_2 \in H$ and a general $Y \in L(1, 1, 1)$. Set $X := Y \cup R \cup 2P_1 \cup 2P_2$. We have $h^i(H, \mathcal{I}_{X \cap H}(4)) = 0$, $i = 0, 1$, and $\text{Res}_H(X) = Y \cup \{P_1, P_2\}$. We have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_Y(3)) = 1$ and $h^0(\mathcal{I}_Y(3)) = 3$ (Lemma 6). Since $h^0(\mathcal{I}_Y(3)) < 4$, we have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_Y(2)) = 0$. Lemma 3 gives $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup \{P_1, P_2\}}(3)) = 1$. Apply the Castelnuovo's sequence. Since $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup \{P_1, P_2\}}(4)) = 0$, we also get $h^1(\mathcal{I}_X(x)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 5$. \square

Lemma 15. We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,5,1)}(4)) = 3$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,5,1)}(4)) = 1$. We have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,5,1)}(x)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 5$.

Proof. Since $h^0(\mathcal{O}_{X(0,5,1)}(4)) = 33$, $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,5,1)}(4)) = 2 + h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,5,1)}(4))$. Set $D := X(0, 5, 1)_{\text{red}}$. We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_D(2)) = 2$. Fix any $Q_1, Q_2 \in |\mathcal{I}_D(2)|$. Since $X(3, 0, 1) \subset Q_1 \cup Q_2$, we get $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,5,1)}(4)) \geq 3$. Fix any smooth $Q \in |\mathcal{I}_D(2)|$. Since $h^0(Q, \mathcal{I}_Z(2, 4)) = h^1(Q, \mathcal{I}_Z(2, 4)) = 1$ for a general union $Z \subset Q$ of five 2-points of Q (this is one of the exceptional cases in [14, Table I], $\text{Res}_Q(X(0, 5, 1)) = D$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_D(2)) = 0$, we get the first two assertions. Since $h^1(Q, \mathcal{I}_Z(y-2, y)) = 0$ for all $y \geq 5$, we get $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,5,1)}(x)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 5$. \square

Lemma 16. We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,5,1)}(4)) = 0$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,5,1)}(x)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 5$.

Proof. Write $X(1, 5, 1) = R \cup 2L \cup 2S$ with $S = \{P_1, P_2, P_3, P_4, P_5\}$ general points of \mathbb{P}^3 . Fix a smooth quadric surface $Q \in |\mathcal{I}_{S \cup L}(2)|$. Since $h^0(Q, \mathcal{I}_Z(2, 4)) = 1$ and $h^1(Q, \mathcal{I}_Z(3, 5)) = 0$ for a general union $Z \subset Q$ of 5 2-points of Q and $R \cap Q$ is a general union of 2 points of Q , we get $h^0(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X(1,5,1)}(4)) = 0$ and $h^1(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X(1,5,1)}(x)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 5$. Since $\text{Res}_Q(X(1, 5, 1)) = L \cup R \cup S$ is contained in no quadric surface, a Castelnuovo's sequence gives the lemma. \square

Lemma 17. We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,6,1)}(4)) = 1$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,6,1)}(4)) = 3$. We have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,6,1)}(x)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 5$.

Proof. Set $L \cup S := X(0, 6, 1)_{\text{red}}$ with L the line. Let Q be the only quadric containing $L \cup S$. Q is smooth. We have $\text{Res}_Q(2S \cup 2L) = S \cup L$. We have $h^0(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X(0,6,1) \cap Q}(4)) = h^0(Q, \mathcal{I}_{(2S \cap Q)}(2, 4)) = 0$. Hence the Castelnuovo's sequence gives $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,6,1)}(4)) = h^0(\mathcal{I}_{L \cup S}(2)) = 1$. Since $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,6,1)}(4)) = 37$, we have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,6,1)}(4)) = 2 + h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,6,1)}(4)) = 0$. Since $h^1(Q, \mathcal{I}_{(2S \cap Q)}(3, 5)) = 0$, the Castelnuovo's sequence gives $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,6,1)}(x)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 5$. \square

Lemma 18. *We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,1,2)}(4)) = h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,1,2)}(4)) = 1$, while we have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,1,2)}(x)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 5$.*

Proof. Since $h^0(\mathcal{O}_{X(1,1,2)}(4)) = 35$, we have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,1,2)}(4)) = h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,1,2)}(4))$. Write $X(1, 1, 2) = Z \sqcup 2L \sqcup 2R \sqcup M$ with L, M, N general lines. Let Q be the only cubic containing $L \cup R \cup M$, say as a divisor of type $(3, 0)$. Since Z is general, we have $Z_{\text{red}} \notin Q$, i.e. $\text{Res}_Q(X(1, 1, 2)) = L \cup R \cup Z$. Since $h^0(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X(1,1,2) \cap Q}(4)) = 0$, we have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,1,2)}(4)) = h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup L \cup R}(2))$. Set $\{P\} := Z_{\text{red}}$. The only quadric surface containing $Z \cup L \cup R$ is the union of the two planes through P containing one of the lines L, R . Since $h^1(Q, \mathcal{I}_{Q \cap X(1,1,2)}(t)) = 0$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup L \cup R}(x - 2)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 5$, we get the last assertion. \square

Lemma 19. *We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(2,0,2)}(4)) = 1$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(2,0,2)}(4)) = 2$. We have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(2,0,2)}(x)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 5$.*

Proof. Write $X(2, 0, 2) = L \sqcup R \sqcup 2M \sqcup 2N$. Let Q_1 (resp. Q_2) be the only quadric containing $L \cup M \cup N$ (resp. $N \cup M \cup N$), say as a curve of type $(3, 0)$ (each Q_i is smooth). Since each curve $Q_i \cap X(2, 0, 2)$ has type $(5, 0)$, no curve of type $(4, 4)$ contains it. Hence $Q_1 \cup Q_2$ is the only quartic surface containing $X(2, 0, 2)$. Since $h^0(\mathcal{O}_{X(2,0,2)}(4)) = 36$, we have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(2,0,2)}(4)) = h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(2,0,2)}(4)) + 1$. Since $h^1(Q_1, \mathcal{I}_{X(2,0,2) \cap Q_1}(5)) = 0$, we get $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(2,0,2)}(x)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 5$. \square

Lemma 20. *We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,2,2)}(4)) = 3$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,2,2)}(4)) = 2$.*

Proof. Write $X(0, 2, 2) = 2O \sqcup 2P \sqcup 2M \sqcup 2N$ with M, N lines and O, P points. Since M, N, O , and P are general, we have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{\{O,P\} \cup M \cup N}(2)) = 2$. Fix any $Q_1, Q_2 \in |\mathcal{I}_{\{O,P\} \cup M \cup N}(2)|$. Since $Q_1 \cup Q_2 \in |\mathcal{I}_{X(0,2,2)}(4)|$, we get $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,2,2)}(4)) \geq 3$. To check the opposite inequality fix a smooth $Q' \in |\mathcal{I}_{\{O,P\} \cup M \cup N}(2)|$, a general $P_1 \in Q'$ and general points $P_2, P_3 \in \mathbb{P}^3$. We have $h^0(Q', \mathcal{I}_{(X(0,2,2) \cap Q') \cup \{P_1\}}(4)) = 0$, because $h^0(Q', \mathcal{I}_{\{2O, Q'\} \cup \{2P, Q'\}}(0, 4)) = 1$. Since $\{P_2, P_3\}$ are general in \mathbb{P}^3 , we have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{\{P_2, P_3, O, P\} \cup M \cup N}(2)) = 0$. Since $\text{Res}_{Q'}(\{P_1, P_2, P_3\} \cup X(0, 2, 2)) = \{P_2, P_3, O, P\} \cup M \cup N$, the Castelnuovo's sequence gives $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,2,2)}(4)) \leq 3$.

Since $h^0(\mathcal{O}_{X(0,2,2)}(4)) = 34$, we have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,2,2)}(4)) = h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,2,2)}(4)) - 1$. □

Lemma 21. We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(3,0,2)}(4)) = h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(2,1,2)}(4)) = h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,2,2)}(4)) = 0$.

Proof. Since a line contains two points and a 2-point contains a point, Lemma 19 implies $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(3,0,2)}(4)) = h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(2,1,0)}(4)) = 0$. Write $X(1, 2, 2) = L \sqcup 2N \sqcup 2M \sqcup 2P \sqcup 2O$ and call H the plane spanned by N and P . The scheme $X(1, 2, 2) \cap H$ is the union of an unreduced conic, two general 2-points of H (one of them being $M \cap H$) and a general point (i.e. $L \cap H$). Hence $h^0(H, \mathcal{I}_{X(1,2,2) \cap H}(4)) = 0$. The scheme $\text{Res}_H(X(1, 2, 2))$ is a general union of a general element of $L(1, 1, 1)$ and a general point, O , of H . Lemmas 3 and 6 and a Castelnuovo's sequence gives $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,2,2)}(4)) = 0$; alternatively, use Lemma 18. □

Lemma 22. We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,3,2)}(4)) = 1$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,3,2)}(4)) = 4$.

Proof. Write $X(0, 3, 2) = 2P_1 \sqcup 2P_2 \sqcup 2P_3 \sqcup L \sqcup 2M$ with L, M lines and P_1, P_2, P_3 general points. Let Q' be the only quadric surface containing $\{P_1, P_2, P_3\} \cup L \cup M$. Since $2Q'$ is a quartic surface containing $X(0, 3, 2)$, we have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,3,2)}(4)) \geq 1$. The quadric Q' is smooth. Call $\mathcal{O}_{Q'}(1, 0)$ the ruling of Q' containing L . The singular points of any $D \in |\mathcal{O}_{Q'}(0, e)|$, $e > 0$, are the union of the multiple components of D . Since $X(0, 3, 2) \cap Q'$ is the union of a divisor of type $(4, 0)$ and 3 general 2-points of Q' , we have $h^0(Q', \mathcal{I}_{X(0,3,2) \cap Q'}(4)) = 0$. Since Q' is the only quadric surface containing $\{P_1, P_2, P_3\} \cup L \cup M = \text{Res}_{Q'}(X(0, 3, 2))$, the Castelnuovo's sequence gives $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,3,2)}(4)) \leq 1$. Since $h^0(\mathcal{O}_{X(0,3,2)}(4)) = 38$, we have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,3,2)}(4)) = h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,3,2)}(4)) + 3$. □

Lemma 23. We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_X(4)) = 1$, $h^1(\mathcal{I}_X(4)) = 5$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_X(x)) = 0$ for every $x \geq 5$ and every $X \in L(0, 0, 3)$.

Proof. Set $D := X_{\text{red}}$ and call Q' the only quadric containing D . Q' is smooth and we call $(1, 0)$ the ruling of Q' such that $X \cap Q' \in |\mathcal{O}_{Q'}(6, 0)|$. Since any two D 's are projectively equivalent, all $X \in L(0, 0, 3)$ are projectively equivalent. We have $h^0(Q', \mathcal{I}_{X \cap Q'}(4)) = 0$, $h^1(Q', \mathcal{I}_{X \cap Q'}(t)) = 0$ for all $t \geq 5$, and $\text{Res}_{Q'}(X(0, 0, 3)) = D$. The Castelnuovo's sequence gives $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,0,3)}(4)) = h^0(\mathcal{I}_D(2)) = 1$. Since $h^0(\mathcal{O}_X(4)) = 3 \cdot 13 = \binom{7}{3} + 4$, we have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,0,3)}(4)) = h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,0,3)}(4)) + 4$. Since $h^1(\mathcal{I}_D(x-2)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 5$, we get $h^1(\mathcal{I}_X(x)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 5$. □

Remark 4. By Lemmas 23, 21, and 22 we have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,c)}(4)) = 0$ if $t \geq t', c \geq c', a \geq a'$ and (t', a', c') is one of the following triples: $(1, 0, 3)$, $(0, 1, 3)$, $(0, 0, 4)$, $(3, 0, 2)$, $(2, 1, 2)$, $(1, 2, 2)$.

Lemma 24. We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,0,3)}(5)) = 4$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,0,3)}(5)) = 2$. We have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,0,3)}(x)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 6$.

Proof. Write $X(1, 0, 3) = L \sqcup A$ with L a line and let Q' be the only quadric containing $D := A_{\text{red}}$, say as an element of $|\mathcal{O}_{Q'}(3, 0)|$. Since $A \cap Q' \in |\mathcal{O}_{Q'}(6, 0)|$, we have $h^0(Q', \mathcal{I}_{X(1,0,3) \cap Q'}(5)) = 0$. The Castelnuovo's sequence (1) gives $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,0,3)}(5)) = h^0(\mathcal{I}_{L \cup D}(3)) = 4$ ([13]). Since $h^0(\mathcal{O}_{X(1,0,3)}(5)) = 54 = \binom{8}{3} - 2$, we get $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,0,3)}(5)) = 2$. Since $X(1, 0, 3) \cap Q'$ is the union of $A \cap Q'$ and two general points of Q' , we have $h^1(Q', \mathcal{I}_{X(1,0,3) \cap Q'}(x)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 6$. The Castelnuovo's sequence (1) gives $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,0,3)}(x)) = h^1(\mathcal{I}_{D \cup A}(x)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 6$. \square

Lemma 25. We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(2,0,3)}(5)) = 0$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(2,0,3)}(x)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 6$.

Proof. Write $X(2, 0, 3) = R \sqcup A$ with $R \in L(2, 0, 0)$ and $A \in L(0, 0, 3)$. Let Q' be the only quadric surface containing $D := A_{\text{red}}$, say as an element of $|\mathcal{O}_{Q'}(3, 0)|$. Since $X(2, 0, 3) \cap Q'$ is a general union of an element of $|\mathcal{O}_{Q'}(6, 0)|$ and 4 general points of Q' , the Castelnuovo's sequence gives $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(2,0,3)}(5)) = h^0(\mathcal{I}_{R \cup D}(3)) = 0$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(2,0,3)}(x)) = h^0(\mathcal{I}_{R \cup D}(x - 2)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 6$ ([13]). \square

Lemma 26. We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,1,3)}(5)) = 0$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,1,3)}(x)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 6$.

Proof. Write $X(1, 1, 3) = L \sqcup Z \sqcup A$ with $A \in L(0, 0, 3)$ and $Z \in L(0, 1, 0)$. Let Q' be the only quadric containing $D := A_{\text{red}}$, say as a divisor of type $(3, 0)$. Since $X(1, 1, 3)$ is general, then $Z \cap Q' = \emptyset$ and $L \cap Q'$ is a general union of 2 points of Q' . Hence $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,1,3)}(5)) = h^0(\mathcal{I}_{L \cup D \cup Z}(3)) = 0$ ([4]) and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(1,1,3)}(x)) = h^0(\mathcal{I}_{L \cup D \cup Z}(x - 2)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 6$. \square

Lemma 27. We have $h^i(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,2,3)}(5)) = 0, i = 0, 1$.

Proof. Write $X(0, 2, 3) = Z \sqcup A$ with $A \in L(0, 0, 3)$ and $Z \in L(0, 2, 0)$. Let Q' be the only quadric containing $D := A_{\text{red}}$, say as a divisor of type $(3, 0)$. Since Z is general, then $Z \cap Q' = \emptyset$. Hence $h^i(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,2,3)}(5)) = h^i(\mathcal{I}_{D \cup Z}(3)) = 0, i = 0, 1$ (Lemma 1). \square

Lemma 28. *We have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,1)}(5)) = 0$ for all $(a, t) \in \mathbb{N}^2$ such that $6t + 4a + 16 \leq 56$.*

Proof. Increasing if necessary a we reduce to the case $37 \leq 6t + 4a \leq 40$. Set $e := \lfloor (10 - t)/3 \rfloor$ and $f := 10 - t - 3e$. The quadruples (t, a, e, f) are the following ones: $(6, 1, 1, 1)$, $(5, 2, 1, 2)$, $(4, 4, 2, 0)$, $(3, 5, 2, 1)$, $(2, 7, 2, 2)$, $(1, 8, 3, 0)$, $(0, 10, 3, 1)$. By the semicontinuity theorem it is sufficient to prove the existence of $X \in L(t, a, 1)$ such that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_X(5)) = 0$.

(i) Assume $t \leq 4$. Let $H \subset \mathbb{P}^3$ be a plane. We fix $L \in L(0, 0, 1)$ contained in H and take a general $S \cup S' \subset H$ with $\sharp(S) = e$, $\sharp(S') = f$. Set $A := 2L$. Fix a general $W \in L(t, a - e - f, 0)$. We have $h^i(H, \mathcal{I}_E(3)) = 0$, $i = 0, 1$, for a general union $E \subset H$ of $f + t$ points and e 2-points of H . By the differential Horace lemma for double points ([1], [11, Lemma 5], [2] in characteristic $\neq 2$) to prove that a general union of $W \cup 2L \cup 2S$ and f 2-points (and hence to prove the lemma in these cases) it is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{W \cup L \cup S \cup \{2S', H\}}(4)) = 0$.

Claim 1: $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{W \cup L \cup \{2S', H\}}(4)) = 0$.

Proof of Claim 1: If $t \in \{4, 1\}$, then $S' = \emptyset$ and hence Claim 1 is true by [4]. Now assume $t \in \{0, 3\}$. In this case S' is a point. Since any union of a line and a point is contained in a plane, $W \cup L \cup 2S'$ may be considered as a general element of $L(t + 1, a - e + 1, 0)$. In these two cases we have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{W \cup L \cup 2S'}(4)) = 0$ by [4], Hence $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{W \cup L \cup \{2S', H\}}(4)) = 0$ (Lemma 3).

Now assume $(t, a, e, f) = (2, 7, 2, 2)$. Since $W \cap H$ is a general subset with cardinality 2, we have $h^1(H, \mathcal{I}_{H \cap (W \cup L \cup S \cup \{2S', H\})}(4)) = 0$. Hence by the Castelnuovo's sequence it is sufficient to use that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_W(3)) = 0$ in this case, because $W \in L(3, 2, 0)$ (Lemma 1).

Claim 1 implies $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{W \cup L \cup \{2S', H\}}(4)) = e + 40 - 4a - 6t$. Since S is general in H and $\text{Res}_H(W \cup L \cup \{2S', H\}) = W$, to get $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{W \cup L \cup S \cup \{2S', H\}}(4)) = 0$ it is sufficient to prove that $h^0(\mathcal{I}_W(3)) \leq 40 - 6t - 4a$. We have $h^0(\mathcal{O}_W(3)) = 4t + 4(a - e - f)$; we use Lemma 1, because $W \notin L(2, 3, 0)$.

(ii) Now assume $t \in \{5, 6\}$. First assume $(t, a) = (6, 1)$. Let $Z \subset \mathbb{P}^3$ be a general 2-point. Take $L \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$ and $F \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(3, 0)|$ such that F is reduced and $L \cap F = \emptyset$. Set $A := 2L$, so that $A \cap Q \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(2, 0)|$ and $\text{Res}_Q(A) = L$. Set $W := G \cup F \cup A$. Since G is general, $Q \cap G$ is a general union of 6 points. Hence $h^i(Q, \mathcal{I}_{W \cap Q}(5)) = 0$, $i = 0, 1$. Hence by the Castelnuovo's sequence it is sufficient to use that $h^i(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup L \cup G}(3)) = 0$, $i = 0, 1$ by [4]. Now assume $(t, a) = (5, 2)$. Take $L, A = 2L$ and F as in the previous case. Fix a general $G' \in L(2, 0, 0)$ and a general 2-point Z' of \mathbb{P}^3 . Set $Z := Z' \cup 2O$. By the semicontinuity theorem it is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup G' \cup A \cup F}(5)) = 0$. Since $(G' \cup Z) \cap Q$ is a general union of 4 points and one 2-point of Q , we

have $h^i(Q, \mathcal{I}_{Q \cap (ZUG' \cup AU F)}(5)) = 0$. Hence by the Castelnuovo's sequence it is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{G' \cup Z' \cup \{O\} \cup L}(3)) = 0$. We have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{G' \cup L \cup Z'}(3)) = 0$ ([4]) and hence $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{G' \cup L \cup Z'}(3)) = 3$. Since $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{G' \cup Z}(1)) = 0$ and O is general in Q , we get $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{G' \cup L \cup Z' \cup \{O\}}(3)) = 2$. and hence $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{G' \cup L \cup Z' \cup \{O\}}(3)) = 0$.

(iii) Assume $(t, a) = (2, 7)$. We take $R, L, M \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$ with $L \neq R$, $L \neq M$ and $R \neq M$. We take a general $S \subset Q$ with $\sharp(S) = 4$ and a general $Z \in L(0, 3, 0)$. Set $X := 2L \cup R \cup M \cup 2S \cup Z$. It is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_X(5)) = 0$. Since $X \cap Q$ is the union of an element of $|\mathcal{O}_Q(4, 0)|$ and 4 general 2-points of Q , we have $h^i(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X \cap Q}(5)) = 0$, $i = 0, 1$ ([14, Proposition 5.2 and Theorem 7.2]). Hence by the Castelnuovo's sequence it is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup S \cup L}(3)) = 0$. We have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup L}(3)) = 0$ and $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup L}(4)) = 4$ (Lemma 1). Since S is general in Q and $h^0(\mathcal{I}_Z(1)) = 0$, Lemma 3 gives $h^i(\mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_Q(X)}(3)) = 0$, $i = 0, 1$. \square

Lemma 29. *We have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,2)}(5)) = 0$ for all $(a, t) \in \mathbb{N}^2$ such that $6t + 4a + 32 \leq 56$.*

Proof. Set $\beta := 24 - 6t - 4a$. Increasing if necessary a we reduce to the case $0 \leq 6t + 4a \leq 3$. Hence it is sufficient to check the following triples (t, a, β) : $(4, 0, 0)$, $(3, 1, 2)$, $(2, 3, 0)$, $(1, 4, 2)$, $(0, 6, 0)$.

(i) First assume $3 \leq t \leq 4$. Fix $L, R, M \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$ such that $R \neq L$, $R \neq M$ and $L \neq M$. Fix a general $W \in L(t-1, a, 0)$ and set $X := W \cup 2L \cup 2R \cup M$. Since $W \cap Q$ is a general union of $2t-2$ points and $(2L \cup 2R \cup M) \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(5, 0)|$, we have $h^1(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X \cap Q}(5)) = 0$. By the Castelnuovo's sequence it is sufficient to use that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{W \cup L}(3)) = 0$ by Lemma 1.

(ii) Assume $(t, a) = (2, 3)$. Fix a plane H , a general line R , a line $L \subset H$, a general $Y \in L(2, 0, 0)$, a general $O \in H$ and a general $B \subset H$ such that $\sharp(B) = 2$. Set $X' := 2L \sqcup 2R \sqcup 2O \sqcup Y$. We have $h^i(H, \mathcal{I}_{(X' \cap H) \cup S'}(6)) = 0$, $i = 0, 1$, and $\text{Res}_H(X') = 2R \cup L \cup Y \cup \{O\}$. By the differential Horace lemma for 2-points ([1], [11, Lemma 5], [2] in characteristic $\neq 2$) to prove that a general union X of X' and two general 2-points of \mathbb{P}^3 satisfies $h^i(\mathcal{I}_X(5)) = 0$, $i = 0, 1$, (and hence to prove the lemma for the pair $(t, a) = (2, 3)$) it is sufficient to prove that $h^i(\mathcal{I}_{\{2B, H\} \cup 2R \cup L \cup Y \cup \{O\}}(4)) = 0$, $i = 0, 1$. Let $M \subset \mathbb{P}^3$ be a general plane containing R . Set $D := H \cap M$. Write $B = \{P_1, P_2\}$ with P_1, P_2 general points of H . We specialize O to a general point O_1 of D . We specialize $\{2P_1, H\} \cup \{2P_2, H\}$ to $\{2P_1, H\} \cup \{2O', H\}$ with O' general point of D . Set $Y'' := \{2P_1, H\} \cup \{2O', H\} \cup 2R \cup L \cup Y \cup \{O_1\} = Y_1 \sqcup 2R$. We have $\{2O', H\} \cap M = 2O' \cap D$, i.e. $\{2O', H\} \cap M$ is the degree two scheme with O' as its reduction and contained in D . We get $h^i(M, \mathcal{I}_{Y_1 \cap M}(2)) = 0$, $i = 0, 2$, because $(Y \cup L) \cap M$ is a general union of $\{2O', H\} \cap M$, the general point O_1

of D and 3 general points of M . Since $h^i(\mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_M(Y')}(3)) = 0$, $i = 0, 1$, we are done.

(iii) Take $(t, a, \beta) = (1, 4, 2)$. Take $L, R, M \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$ with $L \neq R$, $L \neq M$ and $R \neq M$. Fix a general $S \subset Q$ such that $\sharp(S) = 3$ and a general $Y \in L(1, 1, 0)$. Set $X := 2L \cup 2R \cup 2S \cup Y$. It is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_X(5)) = 0$. Since $X \cap Q$ is a union of a divisor of type $(4, 0)$, 3 2-points of Q and two points, we have $h^1(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X \cap Q}(5)) = 0$. Since $\text{Res}_Q(X) = L \cup R \cup Y \cup S$, by the Castelnuovo's sequence it is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{L \cup R \cup Y \cup S}(3)) = 0$. We have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{L \cup R \cup Y}(3)) = 0$ by Lemma 1 and hence $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{L \cup R \cup Y}(3)) = 4$. Since S is general in Q and $\sharp(S) \leq 4$, it is sufficient to observe that $h^0(\mathcal{I}_Y(1)) = 0$ (Lemma 3).

(iv) Take $(t, a, \beta) = (0, 6, 0)$. Take $L, R \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$ with $L \neq R$. Fix a general $S \subset Q$ with $\sharp(S) = 4$ and a general $Z \in L(0, 2, 0)$. Set $X = Z \cup 2L \cup 2R \cup 2S$. It is sufficient to prove that $h^i(\mathcal{I}_X(5)) = 0$. Since $X \cap Q$ is a the union of a divisor of type $(4, 0)$ and 3 general 2-points of Q , we have $h^i(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X \cap Q}(5)) = 0$, $i = 0, 1$ ([14, Proposition 5.2 and Theorem 7.2]). Hence it is sufficient to prove that $h^i(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup L \cup R \cup S}(3)) = 0$, $i = 0, 1$. We first check that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup L \cup R}(3)) = 0$. Since any two disjoint lines of \mathbb{P}^3 are contained in a smooth quadric, $Z \cup L \cup R$ may be considered as a general element of $L(2, 2, 0)$. Hence $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup L \cup R}(3)) = 0$ and $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup L \cup R}(3)) = 4$. Since S is general in Q , $\text{Res}_Q(Z \cup L \cup R) = Z$ and $\sharp(S) = 4$, to prove that $h^i(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup L \cup R \cup S}(3)) = 0$, $i = 0, 1$, it is sufficient to use the obvious observation that $h^0(\mathcal{I}_Z(1)) = 0$ (Lemma 3). \square

Lemma 30. We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,1)}(5)) = 0$ for all $(a, t) \in \mathbb{N}^2$ such that $6t + 4a + 16 \geq 56$.

Proof. Set $\beta' := 6t + 4a - 40$. Increasing if necessary a we reduce to the case $0 \leq \beta' \leq 3$. Notice that β' is even. Since all cases with $\beta' = 0$ are covered by Lemma 29, it is sufficient to check all cases with $\beta' = 2$, i.e. the following pairs (t, a) : $(7, 0)$, $(5, 3)$, $(3, 6)$, and $(1, 9)$.

(i) Assume $(t, a) = (7, 0)$. Take a disjoint union $E \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(3, 0)|$ of 3 lines and $L \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$ with $L \cap E = \emptyset$. Take a general $Y \in L(4, 0, 0)$ and set $X := Y \cup E \cup 2L$. By the semicontinuity theorem it is sufficient to prove that $h^0(\mathcal{I}_X(5)) = 0$. Since $X \cap Q$ is the disjoint union of a divisor of type $(5, 0)$ and 6 general points, we have $h^0(Q, \mathcal{I}_{Q \cap X}(5)) = 0$. Since $\text{Res}_Q(X) = Y \cup L$ may be considered as a general union of 5 lines, we have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L}(3)) = 0$ ([13]). Apply the Castelnuovo's sequence.

(ii) Assume $(t, a) = (5, 3)$. Fix a general $Y \in L(3, 1, 0)$, 3 distinct lines $L, M, R \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$ and a general $S \subset Q$ such that $\sharp(S) = 2$. Set $X := Y \cup 2S \cup 2L \cup M \cup R$. By semicontinuity it is sufficient to prove that $h^0(\mathcal{I}_X(5)) = 0$.

We have $h^1(Q, \mathcal{I}_{\{2S, Q\}}(1, 5)) = 0$ ([14, Proposition 5.2 and Theorem 7.2]). Since $Y \cap Q$ is a general union of 6 points, we get $h^i(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X \cap Q}(5)) = 0, i = 0, 1$. We have $\text{Res}_Q(X) = Y \cup L \cup S$. Since $Y \cup L$, may be considered as a general element of $L(4, 1, 0)$, we have $h^i(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L}(3)) = 0, i = 0, 1$ (Lemma 1). Hence $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L \cup S}(3)) = 0$. Use the Castelnuovo's sequence.

(iii) Assume $(t, a) = (3, 6)$. Fix a general $Y \in L(3, 0, 0)$. Take $L \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$ and a general $S \subset Q$ with $\sharp(S) = 6$. Set $X := Y \cup 2L \cup 2S$. It is sufficient to prove that $h^0(\mathcal{I}_X(5)) = 0$. Since $h^1(Q, \mathcal{I}_{\{2S, Q\}}(3, 5)) = 0$ ([14, Proposition 5.2 and Theorem 7.2]) and $Y \cap Q$ is a general union of 6 points of Q , we have $h^i(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X \cap Q}(5)) = 0, i = 0, 1$. We have $\text{Res}_Q(X) = Y \cup L \cup S$. Since $Y \cup L$ may be considered as a general element of $L(4, 0, 0)$, we have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L}(3)) = 4$ and $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L}(1)) = 0$. Since S is a general union of 6 points of Q , Lemma 3 gives $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_Q(X)}(3)) = 0$. Apply the Castelnuovo's sequence.

(iv) Assume $(t, a) = (1, 9)$. Fix $L, R \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$ such that $L \neq R$, a general $Z \in L(0, 3, 0)$ and a general $S \subset Q$ such that $\sharp(S) = 6$. Set $X := 2L \cup R \cup Z \cup 2S$. It is sufficient to prove that $h^0(\mathcal{I}_X(5)) = 0$. Since $h^i(\mathcal{I}_{\{2S, Q\}}(2, 5)) = 0, i = 0, 1$ ([14, Proposition 5.2 and Theorem 7.2]), we have $h^i(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X \cap Q}(5)) = 0, i = 0, 1$. We have $\text{Res}_Q(X) = L \cup Z \cup S$. Since $h^1(\mathcal{I}_Z(3)) = 0$ (Lemma 1), we have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup L}(3)) = 4$. Obviously $h^0(\mathcal{I}_Z(1)) = 0$. Since $\text{Res}_Q(Z \cup L) = Z$ and S is a general union of 6 points of Q , Lemma 3 gives $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup L \cup S}(3)) = 0$. The Castelnuovo's sequence gives $h^0(\mathcal{I}_X(5)) = 0$. □

Lemma 31. *We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,2)}(5)) = 0$ for all $(a, t) \in \mathbb{N}^2$ such that $6t + 4a + 32 \geq 56$.*

Proof. Set $\beta' := 6t + 4a - 24$. Notice that β' is even. Increasing if necessary a we reduce to the case $0 \leq \beta' \leq 3$. Since all cases with $\beta' = 0$ are covered by Lemma 29, we may assume $\beta' = 2$. Hence either $(t, a) = (3, 2)$ or $(t, a) = (1, 5)$.

(i) Assume $(t, a) = (3, 2)$. Fix lines $L, R \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$, a general $S \subset Q$ with $\sharp(S) = 2$ and a general $Y \in L(3, 0, 0)$. Set $X := 2L \cup 2R \cup Y \cup 2S$. It is sufficient to prove that $h^0(\mathcal{I}_X(5)) = 0$. Since $h^1(Q, \mathcal{I}_{\{2S, Q\}}(1, 5)) = 0$ ([14, Proposition 5.2 and Theorem 7.2]) and $Y \cap Q$ is a general union of 6 points, we have $h^i(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X \cap Q}(5)) = 0, i = 0, 1$. Since (for a general Q) $Y \cup L$ is a general union of 4 lines, we have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L}(3)) = 0$. Obviously $h^0(\mathcal{I}_Y(1)) = 0$. Since $\text{Res}_Q(X) = Y \cup L \cup S$ and S is a general union of 6 points of Q , Lemma 3 gives $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L \cup S}(3)) = 0$. Apply the Castelnuovo's sequence.

(ii) Assume $(t, a) = (1, 5)$. Fix lines $L, R \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$, a general $S \subset Q$ with $\sharp(S) = 4$ and a general $Y \in L(1, 1, 0)$. Set $X := Y \cup 2S \cup 2L \cup 2R$. It is sufficient to prove that $h^0(\mathcal{I}_X(5)) = 0$. Since $h^i(\mathcal{I}_{\{2S, Q\}}(1, 5)) = 0, i = 0, 1$ ([14, Proposition 5.2 and Theorem 7.2]), we have $h^0(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X \cap Q}(5)) = 0$. We

have $\text{Res}_Q(X) = Y \cup L \cup R \cup S$. Since any two disjoint lines are contained in a smooth quadric, $Y \cup L \cup R$ may be considered as a general element of $L(3, 1, 0)$. Hence $h^0(\mathcal{I}_Y(3)) = 4$ (Lemma 1). Since $h^0(\mathcal{I}_Y(1)) = 0$, Lemma 3 gives $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L \cup R \cup S}(3)) = 0$. Use the Castelnuovo's sequence. \square

Lemma 32. *We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,3)}(5)) = h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,0)}(3))$ and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,3)}(5)) \geq 2t$. If either $1 \leq t \leq 4$ and $t + a \leq 4$ or $(t, a) = (2, 3)$, then*

$$h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,3)}(5)) \cdot h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,3)}(5)) > 0.$$

If $5t + 4a \leq 35$, then $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,3)}(x)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 6$.

Proof. Write $X(t, a, c) = 2L_1 \sqcup 2L_2 \sqcup 2L_3 \sqcup B \sqcup A$ with L_1, L_2, L_3 skew lines, B general in $L(t, 0, 0)$ and A general in $L(0, a, 0)$. Let Q' be the unique smooth quadric containing $L_1 \cup L_2 \cup L_3$, say as an element of $|\mathcal{O}_Q(3, 0)|$. Since $(2L_1 \cup 2L_2 \cup 2L_3) \cap Q \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(6, 0)|$ and $B \cap Q$ is a general union of $2t$ points of Q and $A \cap Q = \emptyset$, we have $h^0(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,c)}(5)) = 0$ and $h^1(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,c)}(5)) = 2t$. Since $\text{Res}_Q(X(t, a, c)) = B \cup A$ is a general element of $L(t, a, 0)$ and $h^2(\mathcal{I}_{A \cup B}(3)) = h^1(\mathcal{O}_{A \cup B}(3)) = 0$, the Castelnuovo's sequence gives

$$h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,3)}(5)) = h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,0)}(3))$$

and

$$h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,3)}(5)) \geq 2t.$$

The second part follows from Lemma 1, i.e. from [4]. The third part follows from the Castelnuovo's sequence, because $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,0)}(x - 2)) = 0$ (Lemma 1). \square

Lemma 33. *We have*

$$h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,0,4)}(5)) = 0,$$

$$h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,0,4)}(6)) = h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,0,4)}(6)) = 2$$

and

$$h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(0,0,4)}(x)) = 0$$

for all $x \geq 7$.

Proof. Set $D := X(0, 0, 4)_{\text{red}}$ and write $D = L \sqcup B$ with $B \in L(3, 0, 0)$. Let Q' be the only smooth quadric containing B , say as lines of type $(1, 0)$. The scheme $X(0, 0, 4) \cap Q'$ is a disjoint union of a divisor of type $(6, 0)$ and two general 2-points of Q . Hence $h^0(Q', \mathcal{I}_{Q' \cap X(0,0,4)}(5)) = 0$, $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Q' \cap X(0,0,4)}(6)) = 2$,

$h^1(Q', \mathcal{I}_{Q' \cap X(0,0,4)}(6)) = 2$ and $h^1(Q', \mathcal{I}_{Q' \cap X(0,0,4)}(x)) = 0$ for all $x \geq 7$. The scheme $\text{Res}_{Q'}(X(0, 0, 4)) = 2L \sqcup B$ is a general element of $L(3, 0, 1)$. We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{2L \cup B}(3)) = 0$ (Lemma 9) and $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{2L \cup B}(y)) = 0$ for all $y \geq 4$ (Remark 3 and Lemma 13). We have $h^2(\mathcal{I}_{2L \cup B}(4)) = 0$. Use several times the Castelnuovo's sequence. \square

Lemma 34. *We have*

$$h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,1)}(6)) = 0$$

for all $(t, a) \in \mathbb{N}^2$ such that $7t + 4a \leq 65$ and

$$h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,1)}(6)) = 0$$

for all $(t, a) \in \mathbb{N}^2$ such that $7t + 4a \geq 65$ (for the latter part we assume that either $t \leq 4$ or the characteristic is zero).

Proof. In all cases by semicontinuity it is sufficient to find $X \in L(t, a, 1)$ such that $h^0(\mathcal{I}_X(6)) \cdot h^1(\mathcal{I}_X(6)) = 0$.

(a) In this step we prove the first statement. Set $\beta := 65 - 7t - 4b$. Increasing if necessary b we reduce to the case $0 \leq \beta \leq 3$. We have the following triples (t, a, β) : $(9, 0, 2)$, $(8, 2, 1)$, $(7, 4, 0)$, $(6, 5, 3)$, $(5, 7, 2)$, $(4, 9, 1)$, $(3, 11, 0)$, $(2, 12, 3)$, $(1, 14, 2)$, $(0, 16, 1)$.

(a1) Assume $(t, a) = (9, 0)$. Take $L \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$ and $E \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(3, 0)|$ with 3 connected components and $E \cap L = \emptyset$. Fix a general $Y \in L(6, 0, 0)$ and take $X := Y \cup E \cup 2L$. We have $\text{Res}_Q(X) = Y \cup L$. Since $Y \cup L$ may be considered as a general union of 7 lines, we have $h^i(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L}(4)) = 0$, $i = 0, 1$. Therefore by the Castelnuovo's sequence it is sufficient to prove that $h^1(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X \cap Q}(6)) = 0$. This is true, because $X \cap Q$ is the union of a divisor of type $(5, 0)$ and 12 general points.

(a2) Assume $(t, a) = (8, 2)$. Take $L \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$ and $E \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(3, 0)|$ with 3 connected components and $E \cap L = \emptyset$. Fix a general $O \in Q$ and a general $Y \in L(5, 1, 0)$. Set $X := Y \cup E \cup 2O \cup 2L$. We have $\text{Res}_Q(X) = Y \cup L \cup \{O\}$. Lemma 1 gives $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L}(4)) = 0$. Obviously $h^0(\mathcal{I}_Y(2)) = 0$. Since O is general in Q , we get $h^i(\mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_Q(X)}(4)) = 0$, $i = 0, 1$ (Lemma 3). By the Castelnuovo's sequence it is sufficient to prove that $h^1(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X \cap Q}(6)) = 0$. This is true, because $X \cap Q$ is a general union of a divisor of type $(5, 0)$, a general 2-point of Q and 10 general points of Q .

(a3) Assume $(t, a) = (7, 4)$. Take $L \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$ and $E \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(3, 0)|$ with 3 connected components and $E \cap L = \emptyset$. Fix a general $S \subset Q$ such that $\sharp(S) = 2$. Fix a general $Y \in L(4, 2, 0)$ and set $X := Y \cup 2L \cup E \cup 2S$. Since

$X \cap Q$ is a general union of a divisor of type $(5, 0)$, two general 2-point of Q and 8 general points, we have $h^i(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X \cap Q}(6)) = 0$ ([14, Proposition 5.2 and Theorem 7.2]). By the Castelnuovo's sequence it is sufficient to prove that $h^i(\mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_Q(X)}(4)) = 0$, $i = 0, 1$. We have $\text{Res}_Q(X) = Y \cup L \cup S$. Since $Y \cup L$ may be considered as a general element of $L(5, 2, 0)$, we have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L}(4)) = 0$. Obviously $h^0(\mathcal{I}_Y(2)) = 0$. Use Lemma 3.

(a4) Assume $0 \leq t \leq 6$. Set $\alpha_t := 3$ if $3 \leq t \leq 6$, $\alpha_2 = \alpha_1 = 1$ and $\alpha_0 = 0$. If $t \neq 2$, then set $e_t := \lfloor (7(5 - \alpha_t) - 2(t - \alpha_t))/3 \rfloor$ and $f_t := 7(5 - \alpha_t) - 3e_t - 2(t - \alpha_t)$. Set $e_2 := 6$ and $f_2 = 0$. We have $(e_6, f_6) = (2, 2)$, $(e_5, f_5) = (3, 1)$, $(e_4, f_4) = (4, 0)$, $(e_3, f_3) = (4, 2)$, $(e_1, f_1) = (9, 1)$. In all cases we have $a \geq e_t + f_t$. Fix $L \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$ and $E \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(\alpha_t, 0)|$ with E with α_t connected components and $E \cap L = \emptyset$. Fix a general $S \cup S' \subset Q$ such that $\sharp(S) = \alpha_t$, $\sharp(S') = f_t$ and $S \cap S' = \emptyset$. Fix a general $Y \in L(t - \alpha_t, a - e_t - f_t, 0)$. Set $X_1 := 2L \cup Y \cup 2S$. By the differential Horace lemma for 2-points ([1], [11, Lemma 5]), to prove that a general union X of X_1 and f_t 2-points (and hence to prove the lemma in this case) it is sufficient to prove that $h^1(Q, \mathcal{I}_{(X_1 \cup Q) \cup S'}(6)) = 0$ and that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L \cup S \cup \{2S', Q\}}(4)) = 0$. We first check that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L \cup \{2S', Q\}}(4)) = 0$. By the last part of Remark 3 it is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L \cup 2S'}(4)) = 0$. In all cases we have $h^0(\mathcal{O}_{Y \cup L \cup 2S'}(4)) \leq 35$. Hence Lemma 1 gives $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L \cup 2S'}(4)) = 0$. In all cases we have $h^0(\mathcal{O}_{(X_1 \cap Q) \cup S'}(6)) \leq 49$. In all cases we have $h^1(Q, \mathcal{I}_{(X_1 \cap Q) \cup S'}(6)) = 0$ by [14, Proposition 5.2 and Theorem 7.2]; we chose the values of α_2 , e_2 and f_2 to avoid the case $(2, 6)$ with 7 2-points of Q , which in the list of exceptional cases.

(b) Now we prove the second statement. Set $\beta' := 7t + 4b - 65$. Decreasing if necessary a and, if $a = 0$, decreasing also t we reduce to the cases $0 \leq \beta' \leq 3$ and the cases $a = 0$ and $0 \leq \beta' \leq 7$. Since the first part covered all cases with $\beta' = 0$, we may also assume $\beta' > 0$. Hence we need to check the following triples (t, a, β') : $(10, 0, 5)$, $(9, 1, 2)$, $(8, 3, 3)$, $(6, 6, 1)$, $(5, 8, 2)$, $(4, 10, 3)$, $(2, 13, 1)$, $(1, 14, 2)$, $(0, 17, 3)$. However, since a 2-point contains a point, the case $(t, a, \beta') = (0, 17, 3)$ follows from the case $(t, a, \beta) = (0, 16, 1)$, the case $(t, a, \beta') = (8, 3, 3)$ follows from the case $(t, a, \beta) = (8, 2, 2)$ and the case $(t, a, \beta') = (4, 10, 3)$ follows from the case $(t, a, \beta) = (4, 9, 1)$ (cases proved in step (a)). A 2-point contains a tangent vector. Hence in characteristic zero all cases with $\beta' = 2$ are true by [12] or [8, Lemma 1.8]; to cover Theorem 1 in arbitrary characteristic we check in arbitrary characteristic the case $(t, a) = (1, 14)$. Any two points of \mathbb{P}^3 are contained in a line. Hence the case $(t, a, \beta') = (10, 0, 5)$ of part (b) follows from the case $(t, a, \beta) = (9, 0, 2)$ of part (a).

(b1) Take $(t, a, \beta') = (6, 6, 1)$. Fix $L \in \mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)$, a general $E \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(2, 0)|$,

a general $S \subset Q$ with $\sharp(S) = 4$, a general $O \in Q$ and a general $Y \in L(4, 1, 0)$. Set $X' := Y \cup E \cup 2L \cup 2S$. We have $\text{Res}_Q(X') = Y \cup L \cup S$. Moreover we have $h^i(Q, \mathcal{I}_{(Q \cap X') \cup \{O\}}(6)) = 0$, because $\{O\} \cup (Y \cap Q)$ is a general union of 9 points of Q and $h^0(Q, \mathcal{I}_{\{2S, Q\}}(2, 6)) = 9$. By the differential Horace lemma for 2-points ([1], [11, Lemma 5]) to prove that a general union of X' and a 2-point (and hence to prove the lemma in this case), it is sufficient to prove that $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L \cup S \cup \{2O, Q\}}(4)) = 0$. Lemma 1 gives $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L \cup 2O}(4)) = 0$ and hence $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L \cup \{2O, Q\}}(4)) = 0$ (last part of Remark 3), i.e. $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L \cup \{2O, Q\}}(4)) = 3$. Obviously $h^0(\mathcal{I}_Y(2)) = 0$. Since S is general, Lemma 3 gives

$$h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L \cup S \cup \{2O, Q\}}(4)) = 0.$$

(b2) Assume $(t, a, \beta') = (2, 13, 1)$. Fix $L, R \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$ with $L \neq R$. Fix a general $S \subset Q$ such that $\sharp(S) = 9$ and a general $Y \in L(1, 4, 0)$. Set $X := Y \cup 2L \cup R \cup M \cup 2S$. We have $\text{Res}_Q(X) = Y \cup L \cup S$. Lemma 1 gives $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L}(4)) = 0$ and $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L}(4)) = 9$. Obviously $h^0(\mathcal{I}_Y(2)) = 0$. Since S is general in Q , part (i) of Lemma 3 gives $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_Q(X)}(4)) = 0$. We have $h^i(\mathcal{I}_{X \cap Q}(6)) = 0, i = 0, 1$, because $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{\{2S, Q\}}(3, 6)) = 0$ ([14, Proposition 5.2 and Theorem 7.2]), i.e. $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{\{2S, Q\}}(3, 6)) = 1$, and $Y \cap Q$ is a general union of two points of Q .

(b3) Assume $(t, a, \beta') = (1, 14, 2)$. Fix $L, R \in |\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$ with $L \neq R$. Fix a general $S \subset Q$ such that $\sharp(S) = 10$ and a general $Y \in L(0, 4, 0)$. Set $X := Y \cup 2L \cup 2S$. We have $h^0(Q, \mathcal{O}_{Q \cap X}(6)) = 0$, because $h^0(Q, \mathcal{I}_{\{2S, Q\}}(3, 6)) = 0$ ([14, Proposition 5.2 and Theorem 7.2]). By the Castelnuovo's sequence it is sufficient to prove that $h^i(\mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_Q(X)}(4)) = 0, i = 0, 1$. We have $\text{Res}_Q(X) = Y \cup L \cup S$. Lemma 1 gives $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L}(4)) = 0$ and hence $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L}(4)) = 10$. Since the singular locus of a quadric is a proper linear subspace, we have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_Y(2)) = 0$. Since the finite set S is general in Q and $\sharp(S) = 10$, Lemma 3 gives $h^i(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup L \cup S}(4)) = 0, i = 0, 1$. □

Lemma 35. We have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,c)}(6)) \geq 2c - 6$.

Proof. We may assume $c \geq 4$. Write $X(t, a, c) = A \sqcup L_1 \sqcup \dots \sqcup L_c$ with $A \in L(t, a, 0)$ and L_1, \dots, L_c lines. Let Q be the smooth quadric containing $L_1 \cup L_2 \cup L_3$. Call $|\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$ the ruling of Q containing L_1 . The generality of $X(t, a, c)$ gives that $X(t, a, c) \cap Q$ is a general union of a divisor of type $(6, 0)$, $2c - 6$ 2-points and $2t$ points. Hence $h^1(Q, \mathcal{I}_{X(t,0,c) \cap Q}(6)) \geq 2c - 6$. Use the Castelnuovo's sequence and that $h^2(\mathcal{I}_{X(t+3,a,c-3)}(4)) = 0$. □

Remark 5. By Lemmas 13 and 35 we have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,c)}(6)) \cdot h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X(t,a,c)}(6)) > 0$ if either $(t, a, c) = (0, 0, 4)$ or $(t, a, c) = (0, 1, 4)$.

4. Proof of Theorem 1

Consider the following assertion H_k , $k \geq 5$:

Assertion H_k : Fix nonnegative integers t, c, a such that $t \leq \lfloor (k+2)^2/64 \rfloor - \lfloor k^2/64 \rfloor$, $3t + c \leq \lfloor k^2/64 \rfloor$ and $4a + t(k+1) + (3k+5)c \leq \binom{k+3}{3}$. Then there exists $W \in L(t, a, c)$ such that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_W(k)) = 0$, the t lines of W are contained in a smooth quadric Q and two of the 2-points of W have support contained in the same quadric Q .

Proof of Theorem 1 and of Assertion H_k : Recall that $k \geq 5$. Fix any $A \in L(t, a, c)$ and assume $h^1(\mathcal{I}_A(k)) = 0$. Since $k \geq 2$, we have $h^2(\mathcal{I}_A(k-1)) = h^1(\mathcal{O}_A(k-1)) = 0$. Hence Castelnuovo-Mumford's lemma gives $h^1(\mathcal{I}_A(x)) = 0$ for all $x > k$. See step (iii) for the case $6 \leq k \leq 19$. Before step (iii) we assume $k \geq 20$ and that $H_{k'}$ and Theorem 1 are true for all integers $k' < k$. In step (i) we prove H_k and part (i) of Theorem 1, while in step (ii) we consider part (ii) of Theorem 1.

(i) In this step we assume $t(k+1) + c(3k+1) + 4a \leq \binom{k+3}{3}$. Set $\beta := \binom{k+3}{3} - (k+1)t - 4a - (3k+1)c$. Adding if necessary several 2-points we see that it is sufficient to do the cases with $0 \leq \beta \leq 3$. Since Theorem 1 is true if $k' < k$, sometimes we assume $3t + c > \lfloor (k-1)^2/64 \rfloor$ (not always, because to get H_k if $3t + c \leq \lfloor (k-1)^2/64 \rfloor$ we need an additional argument).

(i1) Assume $c \leq \lfloor (k-2)^2/64 \rfloor$. Set $t_1 := \lfloor (\lfloor (k-2)^2/64 \rfloor - c)/3 \rfloor$, i.e. let t_1 be the maximal integer such that $3t_1 + c \leq \lfloor (k-2)^2/64 \rfloor$. Our assumption on c implies $t_1 \geq 0$ and $0 \leq \lfloor (k-2)^2/64 \rfloor - c - 3t_1 \leq 2$. Since $3t + c > \lfloor (k-1)^2/64 \rfloor$, we have $t > t_1$ (for H_k see step (i1.1)).

Claim 1: We have $t - t_1 \leq k - 3$.

Proof of Claim 1: Assume $t - t_1 \geq k - 2$. Since $3t + c \leq \lfloor k^2/64 \rfloor$ and $3t_1 + c \geq \lfloor (k-2)^2/64 \rfloor - 2$, we get $3(k-2) + 2 \geq \lfloor k^2/64 \rfloor - \lfloor (k-2)^2/64 \rfloor$, which is false for all $k \geq 5$.

Let $U \subset Q$ be a general union of $t - t_1$ lines of type $(1, 0)$. Set $u := \lfloor ((k+1)(k+1+t_1-t) - 2t_1 - 6c)/3 \rfloor$ and $v := (k+1)(k+1+t_1-t) - 2t_1 - 6c$. We have $0 \leq v \leq 2$ and $3u + v + 2t_1 + 6c = (k+1)^2$.

Claim 2: We have $u \geq 2$.

Proof of Claim 2: Assume $u \leq 1$. Since $v \leq 2$, we get $5 + 2t_1 + 6c \geq (k+1)^2$. Since $t_1 \leq t$ and $3t + c \leq \lfloor k^2/64 \rfloor$, we get a contradiction.

Fix a general $S \cup S' \subset Q$ such that $\sharp(S) = u$, $\sharp(S') = v$ and $S \cap S' = \emptyset$ (we are using that $u \geq 0$ and this inequality is true by Claim 2).

Claim 3: We have $a \geq u + v$.

Proof of Claim 3: Write u_k and v_k if we need to make explicit the dependence on k . Since $3u + v + 2t_1 + 6c = (k + 1)^2$ and $3t_1 + c \geq (k - 2)^2/64 - 3$, we have $3u + v \leq (k + 1)^2 - (k - 2)^2/96 + 2$. We get $3u_{10} + v_{10} \leq 122$, $3u_{11} + v_{11} \leq 145$, $3u_{12} + v_{12} \leq 170$. Since $\beta \leq 3$ and $3t + c \leq k^2/64$, we have $4a + (3k + 1)k^2/64 \geq \binom{k+3}{3} - 3$; if $a \leq u + v - 1$, then $4u + 4v + (3k + 1)k^2/64 \geq \binom{k+3}{3} + 1$. We get $4u_{10} + 4v_{10} \geq 238$, $4u_{11} + 4v_{11} \geq 301$, $4u_{12} + 4v_{12} \geq 373$. Since $v \leq 2$, we get a contradiction if $k = 10, 11, 12$. Since $v \leq 2$ the study of the function $\psi(k) = (\binom{k+3}{3} + 1 - (3k + 1)k^2/64 - 8)/4 - ((k + 1)^2 - (k - 2)^2/96 + 2)/3$ gives a contradiction for all $k \geq 13$, concluding the proof of Claim 3.

Fix a general $Y \in L(t_1, a - u - v, c)$ (it is defined, because $a - u - v \geq 0$ by Claim 3).

By Claim 1 we have $k - t + t_1 \geq 3$. Since $Y \cap Q$ is a general union of $2t_1 + 6c$ 2-points of Q , $S \cup S'$ is general in Q and $3u + v = (k + 1)(k + 1 + t_1 - t)$, we get $h^i(Q, \mathcal{I}_{U \cup (Y \cap Q) \cup S' \cup \{2S; Q\}}(k)) = 0$. By the differential Horace lemma for double points ([1], [11, Lemma 5]) to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_M(k)) = 0$ for a general union M of $Y \cup U \cup 2S$ and v general 2-points it is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup S \cup \{2S'; Q\}}(k - 2)) = 0$.

Claim 4: $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup \{2S'; Q\}}(k - 2)) = 0$.

Proof of Claim 4: It is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup 2S'}(k - 2)) = 0$. Since $v \leq 2$ and any two points of \mathbb{P}^3 are contained in a smooth quadric, $Y \cup 2S$ has the Hilbert function of $X(t_1, a - u, c)$. We have $h^0(\mathcal{O}_{X(t_1, a - u, c)}(k - 2)) = \binom{k+1}{3} - \beta - u + v$. Claim 2 gives $h^0(\mathcal{O}_{X(t_1, a - u, c)}(k - 2)) \leq \binom{k+1}{3}$. The inductive assumption gives $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup 2S'}(k - 2)) = 0$, proving Claim 4.

By Claim 4 we have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup \{2S'; Q\}}(k - 2)) = \beta + u$. By Lemma 3 and Claim 4 to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup S \cup \{2S'; Q\}}(k - 2)) = 0$ it is sufficient to prove that $h^0(\mathcal{I}_Y(k - 4)) \leq \beta$. We have

$$(k - 1)t_1 + (3k - 5)c + 4(a - u - v) + u + 3v = \binom{k + 1}{3} - \beta \tag{3}$$

Recall that $(k - 2)^2/64 - 2 \leq 3t_1 + c \leq (k - 2)^2/64$. Hence there are integers t', c' such that $0 \leq t' \leq t_1$, $0 \leq c' \leq c$ and $(k - 4)^2/64 - 3 < 3t' + c' \leq (k - 4)^2/64$. Take $M \in L(t', a - u - v, c')$ such that $M \subseteq Y$. Since $k \geq 9$, the inductive assumption gives that either $h^0(\mathcal{I}_M(k - 4)) = 0$ or $h^1(\mathcal{I}_M(k - 4)) = 0$. In the former case we get $h^0(\mathcal{I}_M(k - 4)) = 0$, concluding the proof in this case. Assume $h^1(\mathcal{I}_M(k - 4)) = 0$. We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_M(k - 4)) = \binom{k-1}{3} - 4(a - u - v) - (k - 3)t' - (3k - 11)c'$. Since $h^0(\mathcal{I}_Y(k - 4)) \leq h^0(\mathcal{I}_M(k - 4))$, from (3) we get that it is sufficient to prove that

$$(k - 1)(t - t') + (3k - 5)(c - c') + 2t' + 6c' \leq (k - 1)^2 \tag{4}$$

We have $3(t_1 - t') + c - c' \leq (k - 2)^2/64 - (k - 4)^2/64 + 3 = (k + 36)/16$. We have $2t' + 6c' \leq 6(k - 4)^2/64$. Hence it is sufficient to have $(3k - 5)(k + 36)/16 + 3(k - 4)^2/32 \leq (k - 1)^2$. This inequality is true for all $k \geq 9$.

(ii.1) Now we consider H_k in the set-up of step (ii). Hence $t \leq \lfloor (k + 2)^2/64 \rfloor - \lfloor k^2/64 \rfloor \leq (k + 20)/16$. We take Q as the smooth quadric. Let $V \subset Q$ be a general union of t lines of type $(1, 0)$. Set $u' := \lfloor ((k + 1)(k + 1 - t) - 6c)/3 \rfloor$ and $v' := (k + 1)(k + 1 - t) - 6c - 3u'$. We have $0 \leq v' \leq 2$. Since $t \leq (k + 20)/16$ and $k \geq 20$, the analogous of Claim 1 holds true in this case. Since $t \leq (k + 20)/16$, we have $u' \geq 2$, i.e. the analogous of Claim 2 is true in this case. Fix a general $S_1 \cup S'_1 \subset Q$ such that $\sharp(S_1) = u'$, $\sharp(S'_1) = v'$ and $S_1 \cap S'_1 = \emptyset$.

Claim 5: We have $a \geq u' + v'$.

Proof of Claim 5: We have

$$(3k - 5)c + 4(a - u' - v') + u' + 3v' = \binom{k + 1}{3} - \beta \tag{5}$$

and $3u' + v' + 6c = (k + 1)(k + 1 - t)$ and hence $3u' + v' \leq (k + 1)^2$. Since $u \geq v'$, we have $u' + 3v' \leq 3u' + v'$ and hence $u' + 3v' \leq (k + 1)^2$. Since $c \leq (k - 2)^2/64$ and $\beta \leq 3$, (5) gives $a - u' - v' \geq 0$ for all $k \geq 10$.

Fix a general $Y' \in L(0, a - u' - v', c)$. Since $u' \geq 2$ to prove H_k for the integers t, c it is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_W(k)) = 0$ for a general union W of $Y \cup V \cup 2S_1$ and v' 2-points. Since $k + 1 - t \leq k - 3$, [14, Proposition 5.2 and Theorem 7.2] gives $h^i(Q, \mathcal{I}_{(Y \cap Q) \cup \{2S_1, Q\} \cup S'_1}(k, k - t)) = 0$, $i = 0, 1$. By the differential Horace lemma for double points ([1], [11, Lemma 5]) to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_W(k)) = 0$ it is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y' \cup S_1 \cup \{2S'_1, Q\}}(k - 2)) = 0$. We first check that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y' \cup S'_1 \cup \{2S'_1, Q\}}(k - 2)) = 0$. It is sufficient to check that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y' \cup 2S'_1}(k - 2)) = 0$. Since any two points of \mathbb{P}^3 are contained in a smooth quadric, the schemes $X(0, a - u', c)$ and $Y' \cup 2S'_1$ have the same Hilbert function. By (5) we have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Y' \cup 2S'_1}(k - 2)) = \binom{k + 1}{3} - \beta + v' - u'$. Since $u' \geq v'$ and $c \leq \lfloor (k - 2)^2/64 \rfloor$, the inductive assumption gives $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y' \cup 2S'_1}(k - 2)) = 0$ and hence $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y' \cup \{2S'_1, Q\}}(k - 2)) = 0$, i.e. $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Y' \cup \{2S'_1, Q\}}(k - 2)) = \beta + u'$. By Lemma 3 it is sufficient to prove that $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Y'}(k - 4)) \leq \beta$.

Assume for the moment $c \geq \lfloor (k - 4)^2/64 \rfloor$. Fix $M' \in L(0, a - u' - v', \lfloor (k - 4)^2/64 \rfloor)$ such that $M' \subseteq Y'$. By the inductive assumption either $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{M'}(k - 4)) = 0$ (and hence $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Y'}(k - 4)) = 0$) or $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{M'}(k - 4)) = 0$, i.e. $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{M'}(k - 4)) = \binom{k - 1}{3} - (3k - 11)c - 4(a' - u' - v')$. Since $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{M'}(k - 4)) \geq h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Y'}(k - 4))$, in order to obtain a contradiction we may assume $\binom{k - 1}{3} - (3k - 11)c - 4(a' - u' - v') \geq \beta + 1$. From (5) we get $6c + u' + 3v' \geq k^2 - 2k$. Since $6c + t(k + 1) + 3u' + v' = (k + 1)^2$ and $u' \geq v'$, we get $t < 4$, i.e. $t \leq 3$. First assume $t = 3$. We get

$6c + 3u' + v' = k^2 - k + 2$, while $6c + u' + 3v' \geq k^2 - 2k$. Since $v' \leq 2$, to get a contradiction it is sufficient to have $2u' \geq k + 1$. Assume $2u' \leq k$. Since $6c \leq 3(k - 2)^2/32$ and $6c + 3u' + v' = k^2 - k + 2$, we get a contradiction. Now assume $t \leq 2$. Since the union of two disjoint lines and any two points is contained in a smooth quadric, in this case H_k for the given (t, a, c) follows from part (i) of Theorem 1 for the same triple (t, a, c) .

Now assume $c < \lfloor (k-4)^2/64 \rfloor$. By the inductive assumption either $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Y'}(k-4)) = 0$ or $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y'}(k-4))$. We may assume that the latter occurs and that $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Y'}(k-4)) \geq \beta + 1$, i.e. $4(a - u' - v') + (3k - 11)c \leq \binom{k-1}{3} - \beta - 1$. Therefore (5) gives $6c + u' + 3v' \geq (k - 1)^2 - 1$. Since $6c + 3u' + v' + t(k + 1) = (k + 1)^2$ and $u' \geq v'$, we get $t \leq 3$. Since $c < \lfloor (k - 4)^2/64 \rfloor$ and $3t + c > \lfloor (k - 1)^2/64 \rfloor$, we get a contradiction.

(i2) Assume $c > \lfloor (k - 2)^2/64 \rfloor$. Set $m := c - \lfloor (k - 2)^2/64 \rfloor$. We have $3t + m \leq k^2/64 - (k - 2)^2/64 + 1 = (k - 1)/16 + 1 = (k + 15)/16$.

Claim 6: We have $t + 2m \leq k - 3$.

Proof of Claim 6: We just saw that $3t + m \leq (k + 15)/16$. We use that $k \geq 20$.

Let $F \subset Q$ be a disjoint union of t elements of type $|\mathcal{O}_Q(1, 0)|$ and m connected elements of $|\mathcal{O}_Q(2, 0)|$. The scheme F is a disjoint union of t lines and m 2-lines of Q and hence $h^0(\mathcal{O}_F(k)) = (t + 2m)(k + 1)$. Write $F = F_1 \sqcup F_2$ with F_2 the union of the degree two connected components and set $G := (F_2)_{\text{red}}$, $E := F_1 \sqcup 2G$. We have $E \in L(t, 0, c - \lfloor (k - 2)^2/64 \rfloor)$, $E \cap Q = F$ and $\text{Res}_Q(E) = G$. Set $e := \lfloor (k + 1)(k + 1 - t - 2m) - 6\lfloor (k - 2)^2/64 \rfloor \rfloor / 3$ and $f := (k + 1)(k + 1 - t - 2m) - 6\lfloor (k - 2)^2/64 \rfloor - 3e$. We have $0 \leq f \leq 2$.

Claim 7: We have $e \geq 2$.

Proof of Claim 7: Assume $e \leq 1$. Since $f \leq 2$, we get $(k + 1)(k + 1 - t - 2m) - 6\lfloor (k - 2)^2/64 \rfloor \leq 5$. Since $3t + m \leq (k + 15)/16$, we have $t + 2m \leq (k + 15)/8$. Hence $(k + 1)(k + 1 - t - 2m) \geq 7(k + 1)(k - 14)/8 > 6\lfloor (k - 2)^2/64 \rfloor + 5$ for all $k \geq 20$.

Claim 8: We have $a \geq e + f$.

Proof of Claim 8: We have $4a + (k + 1)t + (3k + 1)c \geq \binom{k+3}{3} - 3$. Since $3t + c \leq \lfloor k^2/64 \rfloor$, we get $4a \geq \binom{k+3}{3} - 3 - (3k + 1)k^2/64$. Since $t + m > 0$ and $f \leq 2$, we have $3e + f \leq (k + 1)k - 6\lfloor (k - 2)^2/64 \rfloor$. See the proof of Claim 3.

By Claim 8 we have $a - e - f \geq 0$. Fix a general $Y \in L(0, a - e - f, \lfloor (k - 2)^2/64 \rfloor)$. The scheme $Y \cap Q$ is a general union of $2\lfloor (k - 2)^2/64 \rfloor$ 2-points of Q .

By Claim 7 we have $e \geq 0$. Fix a general $S \cup S' \subset Q$ such that $\sharp(S) = e$, $\sharp(S') = f$ and $S \cup S'$. Set $X' := Y \cup E \cup 2S$. We have $X' \in L(t, a - f, c)$. Hence to prove Theorem 1 it is sufficient to prove that a general union, X'' , of X' and f 2-points satisfies $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X''}(k)) = 0$. We have $3e + f = (k + 1)(k + 1 -$

$2m - t) - 6\lfloor(k - 2)^2/64\rfloor$. Since $t + 2m \leq k - 3$ (Claim 5), [14, Proposition 5.2 and Theorem 7.2] gives $h^i(Q, \mathcal{I}_{(Y \cap Q) \cup \{2S, Q\} \cup S'}(k)(-F)) = 0$, $i = 0, 1$. By the differential Horace lemma for 2-points ([1], [11, Lemma 5]) to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X''}(k)) = 0$ (and hence to prove this part of Theorem 1 in this case) it is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup G \cup S \cup \{2S', Q\}}(k - 2)) = 0$.

Claim 9: $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup G \cup \{2S', Q\}}(k - 2)) = 0$.

Proof of Claim 9: It is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup G \cup 2S'}(k - 2)) = 0$. We have $h^0(\mathcal{O}_{Y \cup G \cup 2S'}(k - 2)) = \binom{k+1}{3} - \beta - e + f \leq \binom{k+1}{3}$ (Claim 8). Since $\deg(G) \leq \lfloor k^2/64 \rfloor - \lfloor (k - 2)^2/64 \rfloor$ and $\sharp(S') = f \leq 2$, to prove Claim 10 it is sufficient to apply the case $h = \deg(G)$ and $g = \sharp(S')$ of H_{k-2} .

Hence to conclude the proof part (i) of Theorem 1 in this case it is sufficient to prove the following claim.

Claim 10: $h^0(\mathcal{I}_Y(k - 4)) \leq \beta$.

Proof of Claim 10: Take $M \in L(0, a - e - f, \lfloor(k - 4)^2/64\rfloor)$ such that $M \subseteq Y$. By the inductive assumption either $h^0(\mathcal{I}_M(k - 4)) = 0$ (and hence $h^0(\mathcal{I}_Y(k - 4)) = 0$) or $h^1(\mathcal{I}_M(k - 4)) = 0$. We may assume that the latter case occurs and hence $h^0(\mathcal{I}_M(k - 4)) = \binom{k-1}{3} - 4(a - e - f) - (3k - 11)\lfloor(k - 4)^2/64\rfloor$. We have $3e + f + 6\lfloor(k - 2)^2/64\rfloor = (k + 1)^2 - (k + 1)t - 2(k + 1)(c - \lfloor(k - 2)^2/64\rfloor)$ and $4a + (k + 1)t + (3k + 1)c = \binom{k+3}{3} - \beta$. To prove Claim 10 it is sufficient to prove the inequality $4(e + f) + (k + 1)t + (3k + 1)(c - \lfloor(k - 4)^2/64\rfloor) + 6\lfloor(k - 2)^2/64\rfloor \leq (k + 1)^2 + (k - 1)^2 = 2k^2 + 2$. Recall that $3e + f + 6\lfloor(k - 2)^2/64\rfloor + (t + 2(c - \lfloor(k - 2)^2/64\rfloor)) = (k + 1)^2$. Set $\eta := \lfloor(k - 2)^2/64\rfloor - \lfloor(k - 4)^2/64\rfloor$. We have $|\eta - (3k - 3)/16| < 2$. It is sufficient to prove that $(k - 1)(c - \lfloor(k - 2)^2/64\rfloor) + 3f + 6\lfloor(k - 4)^2/64\rfloor + (3k - 5)\eta \leq (k - 1)^2$. We have $c - \lfloor(k - 2)^2/64\rfloor \leq \lfloor k^2/64 \rfloor - \lfloor(k - 2)^2/64\rfloor \leq (k - 1)/16$. We have $(k - 1)^2/16 + 6 + 3(k - 4)^2/32 + (3k - 5)(3k - 3)/64 + (3k - 5)/32 \leq (k - 1)^2$

In this case we put all t lines inside Q and Q contains $e \geq 2$ of the points in the support of the 2-points of our solution. Hence H_k is proved in this case.

(ii) Assume $(k + 1)t + 4a + (3k + 1)c \geq \binom{k+3}{3}$. Set $\beta' := \binom{k+3}{3} - (k + 1)t - 4a - (3k + 1)c$. By the case $\beta = 0$ of step (i) we may assume $\beta' > 0$. Since $(k + 1)t + (3k + 1)c \leq \binom{k+3}{3}$, we have $a > 0$. Hence decreasing if necessary a we may assume $0 < \beta' \leq 3$. Repeat the proofs of step (i), avoiding step (i1.1).

(iii) Assume $k \leq 19$. We have $3t + c \leq 0$ if $k \leq 7$, $3t + c \leq 1$ if $k \leq 11$, $3t + c \leq 2$ if $k = 12, 13$, $3t + c \leq 3$ if $k = 14, 15$, $3t + c \leq 4$ if $k = 16, 17$, $3t + c \leq 5$ if $k = 19$. Since the case $c = 0$ is true by [4], we may assume $c > 0$. Hence $t = 0$. All cases are done as in step (i2) taking as G the union of c general connected elements of $|\mathcal{O}_Q(2, 0)|$. □

5. Proofs of Propositions 1 and 2

Set $u_{r,k} := \lceil \binom{r+k}{r} / (k+1) \rceil$ and $v_{r,k} := (k+1)u_{r,k} - \binom{r+k}{r}$. We have $0 \leq v_{r,k} \leq k$ and $(k+1)u_{r,k} - v_{r,k} = \binom{r+k}{r}$.

Lemma 36. *We have $u_{r,k} - u_{r,k-1} \geq 2k$ if either $r = 4$ and $k \geq 12$ or $r \geq 5$ and $k \geq 2$. We have $u_{5,1} = 3, v_{5,1} = 0, u_{5,2} = 7, v_{5,2} = 0, u_{5,3} = 14, v_{5,3} = 0, u_{4,1} = 3, v_{4,1} = 1, u_{4,2} = 5, v_{4,2} = 0, u_{4,3} = 9, v_{4,3} = 1, u_{4,4} = 14, v_{4,4} = 0, u_{4,5} = 26, v_{4,5} = 4, u_{4,6} = 30, v_{4,6} = 0, u_{4,7} = 42, v_{4,7} = 6, u_{4,8} = 55, v_{4,8} = 0, u_{4,9} = 72, v_{4,9} = 5, u_{4,10} = 91, v_{4,10} = 0, u_{4,11} = 114, v_{4,11} = 3$.*

Proof. Since $u_{r,k} - u_{r,k-1} \geq \binom{r+k}{r} / (k+1) - \binom{r+k-1}{r} / k - 1$, it is sufficient to check when $\binom{r+k-1}{r} (r-1) \geq k(k+1)(2k+1)$. The last inequality is true if either $r = 4$ and $k \geq 12$ or $r = 5$ and $k \geq 4$ or $r \geq 6$ and $k \geq 2$. The explicit values are easily computed. □

Lemma 37. *For all integers $r \geq 4$ and $k \geq 2$ we have $u_{r,k} - 2v_{r,k} \geq 0$ and $h^i(\mathcal{I}_X(k)) = 0, i = 0, 1$, for a general union $X \subset \mathbb{P}^r$ of $u_{r,k} - 2v_{r,k}$ lines and $v_{r,k}$ reducible conics whose singular point is contained in H .*

Proof. The lemma says that Assertion $H'_{k,r}$ of [13, page 182] is true. Use [13, §3] (if k is low and $r = 4, 5$, one can also use Lemma 36). □

Lemma 38. *Fix integers $k \geq 3r \geq 4, t \geq 0$ and e such that $0 \leq e \leq k$ and $t(k+1) + (2k+1)e \leq \binom{r+k}{r}$. Then $h^1(\mathcal{I}_X(k)) = 0$ for a general union $X \subset \mathbb{P}^r$ of t lines and e reducible conics whose singular point is contained in H .*

Proof. Set $\beta := \binom{r+k}{r} - (k+1)t - e(2k+1)$. Increasing if necessary t we may assume that $0 \leq \beta \leq k$. We have $t = u_{r,k} - 2e$ if $e \geq v_{r,k}$ and $t = u_{r,k} - 2e - 1$ if $e < v_{r,k}$. First assume $e \leq v_{r,k-1}$. Let $Y \subset \mathbb{P}^r$ be a general union of $u_{r,k-1} - 2v_{r,k-1}$ lines and $v_{r,k-1}$ reducible conics with singular points contained in H . Lemma 37 gives $h^i(\mathcal{I}_Y(k-1)) = 0, i = 0, 1$. For a general Y we may assume that $Y \cap H$ is a general union of $u_{r,k-1} - 2v_{r,k-1}$ points and $v_{r,k-1}$ tangent vectors of H . Write $Y = Y_1 \sqcup Y_2$ with Y_2 the union of the degree two connected components of H . Since $e \leq k$ and $k \geq r$, Lemma 36 implies $u_{r,k-1} - 2v_{r,k-1} \geq e - v_{r,k-1}$. Hence we may write $Y_1 = Y' \sqcup Y''$ with $\deg(Y') = e - v_{r,k-1}$. For each connected component L of Y'' take a general line $R_L \subset H$ through the point $L \cap H$. Set $G := \cup_{L \subseteq Y'} R_L$. Since $t \geq u_{r,k} - v_{r,k}$, Lemma 36 gives $t - \deg(Y) \geq e - v_{r,k-1}$. Let $F \subset H$ be a general union of $t - \deg(Y) - \deg(G)$ lines. Set $X := Y \cup G \cup F$. X is a disjoint union of t lines and e reducible conics with singular point contained in H . Hence to prove

the lemma in this case it is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_X(k)) = 0$. By [13] we have $h^1(H, \mathcal{I}_{F \cup G}(k)) = 0$. Since $Y \cap H$ is a general union of points and tangent vectors and $\beta \geq 0$, we get $h^1(H, \mathcal{I}_{X \cap H}(k)) = 0$, by the case $q'' = t = 0$, $d = v_{r,k-1}$ of [13, $H''_{k-1,r}$]. Now assume $v_{r,k-1} > e$. Let $E \subset H$ be a general union of $t - u_{r,k-1}$ lines. Write $Y_2 = U \sqcup V$ with U union of e reducible conics and V union of $v_{r,k-1} - e$ reducible conics. For each $P \in \text{Sing}(V)$ fix a 3-dimensional space $W_P \subset \mathbb{P}^r$ containing the connected component D_P of V containing P and set $w_P := \{2P, W_P\}$. Set $\mathbf{w} := \cup_{P \in \text{Sing}(V)} w_P$. The scheme $X' := E \cup Y \cup \mathbf{w} \cup Z$ is a flat limit of a family of disjoint unions of U and t lines. By the semicontinuity theorem for cohomology it is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X'}(k)) = 0$. We have $\text{Res}_H(X') = Y$ and hence $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{\text{Res}_H(X')}(k)) = 0$. The scheme $X' \cap H$ is a general union of E , e tangent vectors and $v_{r,k-1} - e$ degree 3 zero-dimensional schemes called triple points in [13]. Apply [13, $H''_{k,r}$] with $q'' = 0$, $d = e$ and $t = v_{r,k-1} - e$ and get $h^1(H, \mathcal{I}_{X' \cap H}(k)) = 0$. Apply the Castelnuovo's inequality. \square

Proof of Proposition 1: We fix $z \in \mathbb{N}$ and a zero-dimensional scheme $Z \subset \mathbb{P}^r$ with $\text{deg}(Z) \leq z$. We take any hyperplane $H \subset \mathbb{P}^r$ such that $Z \cap H = \emptyset$. Hence in H we only need the case $z = 0$. If $r = 4$, then we use [4]. By [6] we may assume $r \geq 6$. Assume that Proposition 1 for $z = 0$ is true in \mathbb{P}^{r-1} (if $r = 4$ we need [6] instead of the inductive assumption) and call $\beta_{r-1,0}$ the corresponding integer (we may take $\beta_{r-1,0} = 0$ ([4], [6], [7]), but we do not need it). Increasing if necessary $\beta_{r-1,0}$ we may assume that $\beta_{r-1,0} \geq r$. Set $\beta_{r,z} := \binom{4r + \beta_{r-1,0} + z}{r}$. Fix $(t, a) \in \mathbb{N}^2$ and let k be its critical value with respect to z , i.e. the first integer $k > 0$ such that $z + t(k + 1) + (r + 1)a \leq \binom{r+k}{r}$. By the Castelnuovo-Mumford's lemma a scheme $X = W \sqcup Z$ with $W \in L(t, a, 0; r)$ has maximal rank if and only if $h^1(\mathcal{I}_X(k)) = 0$ and $h^0(\mathcal{I}_X(k - 1)) = 0$. Since $L(t, a, 0; r)$ is irreducible, by the semicontinuity theorem for cohomology it is sufficient to find $A, B \in L(t, a, 0; r)$ such that $A \cap Z = B \cap Z = \emptyset$, $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{A \cup Z}(k)) = 0$ and $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{A \cup Z}(k - 1)) = 0$. Since $\beta_{r,z} \geq \binom{4r + \beta_{r-1,0}}{r}$, we have $k \geq 3r + \beta_{r-1,0} + z$. Hence for this fixed choice of $\beta_{r,z}$ Proposition 1 is trivially true if $k < 3r + \beta_{r-1,0} + z$ (there is no such datum (t, a)). Hence we use induction on k .

(a) In this step we prove the existence of A . Set $\beta := \binom{r+k}{r} - t(k + 1) - (r + 1)a - z$.

(a1) Assume $(k + 1)t + \beta \geq \binom{r+k-1}{r-1}$. Let x be the minimal integer such that $(t - x) + x(k + 1) + \beta \geq \binom{r+k-1}{r-1}$ (it exists, because $k > 0$). By assumption we have $x \leq t$. Set $\gamma := \binom{r+k-1}{r-1} - \beta - (t - x) - x(k + 1)$. The minimality of the integer x implies that $\gamma \leq k$. Since $(k + 1)t + \beta \leq \binom{r+k}{r}$, we have $x \geq 0$. Since $k \geq 3r$, we also have $x \geq 2k$. Hence $x \geq 2\gamma$. Let

$E \subset H$ be a general union of $x - 2\gamma$ lines and γ reducible conics. Write $E = E_1 \sqcup E_2$ with E_i the union of the degree i connected components of E . For each $P \in \text{Sing}(E_2)$ let $V_P \subset \mathbb{P}^r$ be a 3-dimensional linear subspace such that $V_P \cap H$ is a plane spanned by the connected component of E_2 containing P . Set $v_P := \{2P, V_P\}$ and $\mathbf{v} := \cup_{P \in \text{Sing}(E_2)} v_P$. Notice that $(E \cup \mathbf{v}) \cap H = E$ (scheme-theoretic intersection). Fix a general $Y \in L(t - x, a, 0; r)$. Since Y is general, no component of Y_{red} is contained in H , $Z \cap Y = \emptyset$, $Y \cap E = \emptyset$ and $Y \cap H$ is a general union of $t - x$ general points of H . $E_2 \cup \mathbf{v}$ is a disjoint union of γ sundial in the sense of and hence it is a flat limit of a family of disjoint unions of 2γ lines ([13, Example 2.1.1], [9]). Hence $X := Z \cup Y \cup E \cup \mathbf{v}$ is a flat limit of a family of elements of $L(t, a, 0; r)$. Hence to prove the existence of A in this case it is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_X(k)) = 0$. We have $\text{Res}_H(X) = Z \cup Y \cup \text{Sing}(E_2)$. Since $\sharp(\text{Sing}(E_2)) = \gamma$ and $Y \cap E = Y \cap Z = \emptyset$, the definitions of β and γ give $h^0(\mathcal{O}_{Z \cup Y \cup \text{Sing}(E_2)}(k - 1)) = \binom{r+k-1}{r}$. The inductive assumption on k gives $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup Y}(k - 1)) = 0$ and hence $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup Y}(k - 1)) = \gamma$. Since $\text{Sing}(E_2)$ is a general subset of H with cardinality γ and $\text{Res}_H(Y) = Y$, to prove that $h^i(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup Y \cup \text{Sing}(E_2)}(k - 1)) = 0$, it is sufficient to check that $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup Y}(k - 2)) = 0$. This is true by the inductive assumption on k . Since $\beta \geq 0$ and $r \geq 5$, Lemma 36 gives $h^1(H, \mathcal{I}_E(k)) = 0$ and $h^0(H, \mathcal{I}_E(k)) = \beta + t - x$. Since $Y \cap H$ is a general subset of H with cardinality $t - x$ and $\beta \geq 0$, we get $h^1(H, \mathcal{I}_{X \cap H}(k)) = 0$. The Castelnuovo's sequence gives $h^1(\mathcal{I}_X(k)) = 0$.

(a2) Assume $(k + 1)t + \beta < \binom{r+k-1}{r-1}$.

(a2.1) First assume $(k + 1)t + r\beta_{r-1,0} \leq \binom{r+k-1}{r-1}$. Set $e := \lfloor (\binom{r+k-1}{r-1} - (k + 1)t - r\beta_{r-1,0}) / r \rfloor$ and $f := \binom{r+k-1}{r-1} - (k + 1)t - r\beta_{r-1,0} - re$. We have $0 \leq f \leq r - 1$. Let $M \subset H$ be a general union of t lines. Fix a general $S \cup S' \subset H$ such that $\sharp(S) = \beta_{r-1,0} + e$, $\sharp(S') = f$ and $S \cap S' = \emptyset$. We have $h^0(\mathcal{O}_{M \cup \{2S, H\} \cup S'}(k)) = \binom{r+k-1}{r-1} - \beta$. Since $e \geq 0$, we have $\sharp(S) \geq \beta_{r-1,0}$. Hence the inductive assumption on r (using [4] if $r - 1 = 3$) gives $h^1(H, \mathcal{O}_{M \cup \{2S, H\} \cup S'}(k)) = 0$.

Claim 1: We have $a \geq \beta_{r-1,z} + e + f$.

Proof of Claim 1: We have $(k + 1)t + r(\beta_{r-1,0} + e) + f = \binom{r+k-1}{r-1} - \beta$ and $(k + 1)t + (r + 1)a = \binom{r+k}{r} - \beta$. Use that $f \leq r$ and that $k \geq 3r$.

Since $\beta_{r,z} \geq \beta_{r-1,z} + r - 1 \geq \beta_{r-1,0} + f$, we have $a \geq \beta_{r-1,0} + e + f$.

By Claim 1 we have $a \geq \beta_{r,z} + e + f$. Fix a general $J \in L(0, a - e - f, 0; r)$. By the differential Horace lemma for 2-points ([1], [11, Lemma 5], [2] in characteristic $\neq 2$) to prove that a general union X'' of $Z \cup J \cup S$ and f 2-points satisfies $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X''}(k - 1)) = 0$ (and hence to prove the proposition in this case) it is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup J \cup S \cup \{2S', H\}}(k - 1)) = 0$.

Claim 2: $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup J \cup \{2S', H\}}(k - 1)) = 0$.

Proof of Claim 2: Set $U' := J \cup 2S'$. Since $\sharp(S') = f \leq r - 1$ and any r points of \mathbb{P}^r are contained in a hyperplane, U' may be considered as a general union of $a - e - \beta_{r-1,0}$ 2-points. Since $\beta_{r-1,0} \geq r$, we have $\sharp(S) \geq \sharp(S')$. Since $h^0(\mathcal{O}_{Z \cup Y_3 \cup S \cup \{2S', H\}}(k - 1)) = \binom{r+k-1}{r}$, we get $h^0(\mathcal{O}_{Z \cup U'}(k - 1)) \leq \binom{r+k-1}{r}$. Hence $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup U'}(k - 1)) = 0$ by the inductive assumption on the critical value. Since $Z \cup J \cup \{2S', H\} \subseteq Z \cup U'$ and $Z \cup U'$ and $Z \cup J \cup \{2S', H\}$ have the same positive-dimensional connected components, the restriction map $H^0(\mathcal{O}_{Z \cup U'}(k - 1)) \rightarrow H^0(\mathcal{O}_{Z \cup W}(k - 1))$ is surjective. Hence $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup J \cup \{2S', H\}}(k - 1)) = 0$, proving Claim 2.

By the definitions of β , e and f we have $h^0(\mathcal{O}_{Z \cup J \cup S \cup \{2S', H\}}(k - 1)) = \binom{r+k-1}{r}$. Since J is general, we have $\text{Res}_H(Z \cup J \cup \{2S', H\}) = Z \cup J$. Since S is general in H , Claim 2 shows that to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup J \cup S \cup \{2S', H\}}(k - 1)) = 0$ (and hence to prove the proposition in this case) it is sufficient to prove that $h^0(\mathcal{I}_J(k - 2)) = 0$. Since $k - 2 \geq 5$ and J is general, the inductive assumption on k shows that it is sufficient to check that $(r + 1)(a - \beta_{r-1,0} - e - f) \geq \binom{r+k-2}{r}$. By the definitions of β , e and f we have $(r + 1)(a - \beta_{r-1,0} - e - f) + \beta_{r-1,0} + e + rf = \binom{r+k-1}{r}$. Hence it is sufficient to check that $\beta_{r-1,0} + e + rf \leq \binom{r+k-2}{r-1}$. Since $t \geq 0$, we have $z + r(\beta_{r-1,0} + e) + f \leq \binom{r+k-1}{r-1}$. Use that $k > r$.

(a2.2) Now assume $(k + 1)t + r\beta_{r-1,0} > \binom{r+k-1}{r-1}$. Let t' be the maximal integer such that $(k + 1)t' + r\beta_{r-1,0} \leq \binom{r+k-1}{r-1}$. By assumption we have $t' < t$.

Claim 3: We have $t' \geq 0$.

Proof of Claim 3: By the definition of $\beta_{r,z}$ we have $k \geq \beta_{r-1,0}$. Hence the inequality $t' \geq 0$ is obvious.

Set $e' := \lfloor (\binom{r+k-1}{r-1} - (k + 1)t' - r\beta_{r-1,0})/r \rfloor$ and $f' := \binom{r+k-1}{r-1} - (k + 1)t' - r\beta_{r-1,0} - re'$. We have $0 \leq f' \leq r - 1$. Let $M' \subset H$ be a general union of t' lines. Fix a general $S_1 \cup S'_1 \subset H$ such that $\sharp(S_1) = \beta_{r-1,0} + e'$, $\sharp(S'_1) = f'$ and $S_1 \cap S'_1 = \emptyset$. We have $h^0(\mathcal{O}_{M' \cup \{2S_1, H\} \cup S'_1}(k)) = \binom{r+k-1}{r-1} - \beta$. Since $e' \geq 0$, we have $\sharp(S_1) \geq \beta_{r-1,0}$. Hence the inductive assumption on r (or [4], [6], [7]) gives $h^1(H, \mathcal{I}_{M' \cup \{2S_1, H\} \cup S'_1}(k)) = 0$. As in the proof of Claim 1 we see that $a \geq e' + f'$. Fix a general $Y_1 \in L(t - t', a - e' - f', 0; r)$. By the differential Horace lemma for 2-points ([1], [11, Lemma 5]) to prove that a general union X_2 of $Z \cup Y_1 \cup S_1$ and f 2-points satisfies $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{X_2}(k - 1)) = 0$ (and hence to prove the existence of A in this case) it is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup Y_1 \cup S_1 \cup \{2S_1, H\}}(k - 1)) = 0$. Assume for the moment $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y_1 \cup \{2S'_1, H\}}(k - 1)) = 0$. We have $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup Y_1 \cup S_1 \cup \{2S'_1, H\}}(k - 1)) = \binom{r+k-1}{r}$. Since S_1 is general in H , to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup Y_1 \cup S_1 \cup \{2S'_1, H\}}(k - 1)) = 0$ it is sufficient to prove that $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup Y_1}(k - 2)) = 0$. See step (a2.2.2).

Claim 4: We have $k(t - t') + r\beta_{r-1,0} \leq \binom{r+k-2}{r-1}$.

Proof of Claim 4: The maximality property of the integer t' gives $(k + 1)t' + r\beta_{r-1,0} \geq \binom{r+k-1}{r-1} - k$. Since $(k + 1)t + \beta < \binom{r+k-1}{r-1}$, we get $(k + 1)(t - t') + \beta - r\beta_{r-1,0} \leq k - 1$. Since $\beta \geq 0$, it is sufficient to check that $2r\beta_{r-1,0} + k - 1 \leq \binom{r+k-2}{r-1}$. This is true, because our assumption on β_r implies $k \geq 3r + \beta_{r-1,0}$.

(a2.2.1) Now we check that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup Y_1 \cup \{2S'_1, H\}}(k - 1)) = 0$. By the semi-continuity theorem for cohomology it is sufficient to prove this h^1 -vanishing for a specialization Y_2 of Y_1 . Set $e'' := \lfloor (\binom{r+k-2}{r-1} - k(t - t') - rf')/r \rfloor$. Since $f' \leq r$, we have $f' \leq \beta_{r-1,0}$. Claim 4 gives $e'' \geq \beta_{r-1}$. Fix a general union $E \subset H$ of $t - t'$ lines. Fix a general $S_2 \cup S'_2 \subset H$ such that $\#(S_2) = e'' - f'$, $\#(S'_2) = f''$ and $S_2 \cap S'_2 = \emptyset$. We have $h^0(\mathcal{O}_{E \cup \{2S'_1, H\} \cup \{2S_2, H\} \cup S'_2}(k - 1)) = \binom{r+k-2}{r-1}$. Since $\#(S'_1) + \#(S_2) \geq \beta_{r-1,0}$, either the inductive assumption on r or [4], [6], [7] give $h^i(H, \mathcal{I}_{E \cup \{2S'_1, H\} \cup \{2S_2, H\} \cup S'_2}(k - 1)) = 0$, $i = 0, 1$. Assume for the moment $e - e' - e'' - f'' \geq 0$. In this case we take as a specialization of Y_1 a general union Y_2 of f'' 2-points and $W' := W \cup 2S_2$ with W general in $L(0, a - e' - e'' - f'', 0; r)$. By the differential Horace lemma for 2-points ([1], [11, Lemma 5]) to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup Y_2 \cup \{2S'_1, H\}}(k - 1)) = 0$ it is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup W \cup S_2 \cup \{2S'_1, H\}}(k - 2)) = 0$. See the last part of step (a1) with $k - 2$ instead of $k - 1$. Now assume $a - e - e' - e'' - f'' < 0$. If $a - e - e' - e'' \geq 0$, take as a specialization of Y_1 a general union of $2S_2$ and $a - e - e'$ if $a - e - e' - e'' < 0$, take $S_3 \subset S_2$ with $\#(S_3) = a - e - e'$ and take $2S_3$ as a specialization of Y_1 .

(a2.2.2) Now we check that $h^0(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup Y_1}(k - 2)) = 0$. We repeat step (a2.2.1), i.e. we specialize the union of the lines of Y_1 to a general union $E \subset H$ of $t - t'$ lines.

(b) In this step we prove the existence of B . Instead of β we use the integer $\beta' := z + kt + (r + 1)a - \binom{r+k-1}{r}$. The definition of the integer k gives $\beta' > 0$. Decreasing if necessary t we may assume that either $t = 0$ or $\beta' \leq k - 1$. We use $k - 1$ instead of k , $k - 2$ instead of $k - 1$ and $k - 3$ instead of $k - 2$. In this step we use the assumption $k - 3 \geq 5$ and that $k - 1 \geq 3r$ (as in the proof of Claim 1). □

Proof of Proposition 2: We could easily modify the proof of Proposition 1, but we prefer to use the following quotations. Fix $(t, a) \in \mathbb{N}^2$ and a general $X \in L(t, a, 0; r)$. If $a \geq \beta_{r,z}$, then X has maximal rank by Proposition 1. Hence we only need to test finitely many integers a , say $0 \leq a < \beta_{r,z}$. For any such a fix any union $Z_a \subset \mathbb{P}^r$ of a different 2-points. Use [3] for each of these schemes. □

Proposition 3. *Fix integers $r \geq 4$, $k \geq 6$ and $(t, c, a, t', a') \in \mathbb{N}^5$. Assume $t' + t(k + 1) + ra + ((r - 1)k + 1)c \leq \binom{k+r-1}{r-1}$, $(r + 1)(t + t')(k - 1) + (r + 1)a' \leq$*

$\binom{r+k-2}{r}$, $h^1(\mathbb{P}^{r-1}, \mathcal{I}_F(k)) = 0$ for a general $F \in L(t, a, c; r - 1)$. If $(t', a') \neq 0$, then assume $k \geq 7$. Then $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Z \cup X}(k)) = 0$ for a general $X \in L(t+t', a+a', c; r)$.

Proof. Fix a hyperplane $H \subset \mathbb{P}^r$. Let $E \subset \mathbb{P}^r$ be a general union of t lines contained in H , a 2-points whose support in H and c 2-lines whose support is contained in H . Set $F := E \cap H$. Write $E = E_1 \sqcup 2S \sqcup 2A$ with E_1 union of t lines of H , S a general subset of H with cardinality a and A a general union of c lines of H . Fix a general $Y \in L(t', a', 0; r)$. For a general Y we have $Y \cap E = \emptyset$ and $Y \cap H$ is a general union of t' points of H . Set $W := Y \cup E$. We have $\text{Res}_H(W) = Y \cup A \cup S$. By the semicontinuity theorem for cohomology it is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_W(k)) = 0$. Since F is general in $L(t, a, c; r - 1)$, we have $h^1(H, \mathcal{I}_F(k)) = 0$ ([4] if $r = 4$, [6] if $r = 5, 6$ and [7] if $r \geq 7$). Since $t' \leq \binom{r+k-1}{r-1} - t(k+1) - ra - ((r-1)k+1)c = h^0(H, \mathcal{I}_F(k))$, we get $h^1(H, \mathcal{I}_{H \cap W}(k)) = 0$. Hence by the Castelnuovo's sequence it is sufficient to prove that $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{Y \cup A \cup S}(k-1)) = 0$.

(a) Assume for the moment $(t', a') = (0, 0)$, i.e. $Y = \emptyset$. Since $A \cup S \subset H$, we have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_{A \cup S}(k-1)) = h^1(H, \mathcal{I}_{A \cup S}(k-1))$. Since A is a general union of c lines of H , it has maximal rank ([13]). Since S is general in H , to conclude in this case it is sufficient to check that $kc+a \leq \binom{r+k-2}{r-1}$. We have $ra + ((r-1)k+1)c \leq \binom{r+k-1}{r-1}$ and $\binom{r+k-1}{r-1} / \binom{r+k-2}{r-1} = (r+k-1)/(k-2) < r-1$.

(b) Assume $(t', a') \neq (0, 0)$. In this case if $c > r/2$ the scheme $Y \cup A$ is not a general element of $L(t'+c, a', 0; r)$ and hence we cannot just [6] and [7] to get that $L(t'+c, a', 0; r)$ has maximal rank. Since $k-2 \geq 5$ and $(r+1)(t+t')(k-1) + (r+1)a' \leq \binom{r+k-2}{r}$, we have $h^1(\mathcal{I}_Y(k-2)) = 0$ ([6], [7]). Since $h^1(H, \mathcal{I}_{A \cup S}(k-1)) = 0$ by step (a), it is sufficient to apply the Castelnuovo's sequence. □

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