# RESOLUTION OF THE SYMMETRIC ALGEBRA OF A FINITE BASE LOCUS

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ABSTRACT. We provide a locally free resolution of the projectivized symmetric algebra of the ideal sheaf of a zero-dimensional scheme defined by n + 1equations in an *n*-dimensional variety. The resolution is given in terms of the resolution of the ideal itself and of the Eagon-Northcott complex of the Koszul hull.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Consider a rational map  $\Phi : \mathbb{P}^n \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n$  with a zero-dimensional base locus Z. In order to compute some invariants of  $\Phi$ , for instance its degree, one should resolve the indeterminacies of  $\Phi$ , which amounts to blow-up Z or equivalently to work with the Rees algebra of the ideal  $I_Z$  of Z in  $\mathbb{P}^n$ . This is not quite easy in general, however a first step is to take the symmetric algebra  $S(I_Z)$  of  $I_Z$ , this is a larger algebra as the Rees algebra is obtained from it by killing the torsion part. This problem is closely related to the papers [BCJ09] and [BCS10] about the torsion of the symmetric algebra. So a natural question is what is the shape of the resolution of  $S(I_Z)$ , in particular, is it determined by some process involving the resolution of  $I_Z$ ?

The goal of this paper is to give an affirmative answer to this question. Indeed, we provide a resolution of  $S(I_Z)$  in terms of the pulled-back resolution of the dualizing module of Z, up to some shift in degree, and of the Eagon-Northcott complex associated with another still larger algebra, which we call the Koszul hull.

Let us state our results more precisely, in a geometric fashion. Fix an algebraically closed field k, and let X be an n-dimensional smooth quasi-projective variety over k. Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a line bundle over X and let V be an (n + 1)-dimensional subspace of  $\mathrm{H}^0(X, \mathcal{L})$ . The image of the evaluation map  $\mathrm{V} \otimes \mathcal{L}^{\vee} \to \mathcal{O}_X$  is an ideal sheaf  $\mathcal{I}_Z$  of a closed subscheme Z in X. Given a basis  $(\phi_0, \ldots, \phi_n)$  of V, this provides a rational map  $\Phi : X \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}(\mathrm{V})$  sending  $x \in X$  to  $(\phi_0(x) : \ldots : \phi_n(x))$  and defined away from Z.

Let  $\mathbb{X} = \mathbb{P}_X(\mathcal{I}_Z)$  be the projectivization of the ideal sheaf  $\mathcal{I}_Z$ . The surjection  $\mathcal{V} \otimes \mathcal{L}^{\vee} \to \mathcal{I}_Z$  induces a closed embedding  $\mathbb{X} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n_X$ . The goal of this paper is to establish a locally free resolution of  $\mathbb{X}$  over  $\mathbb{P}^n_X$  under the assumption that Z is zero-dimensional.

Let  $p : \mathbb{P}_X^n \to X$  be the projective bundle map,  $\xi$  be the first Chern class  $c_1(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_X^n}(1))$  of  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_X^n}(1)$  and, depending on the context,  $\eta$  be either  $c_1(\mathcal{L})$  or the pull

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back  $p^*c_1(\mathcal{L})$  of  $c_1(\mathcal{L})$  by p. Put

$$\mathcal{Q}_{i,j} = (\bigwedge^{i+1} \mathcal{V}) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n_X}(-(j+1)\xi - (i-j)\eta) \quad \text{for } 1 \le i \le n \text{ and } 0 \le j \le i-1$$

and  $Q_i = \bigoplus_{j=0}^{i} Q_{i,j}$ . The sheaves  $Q_i$  are the terms of the Eagon-Northcott complex associated with a map

$$\psi: \mathbf{V} \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n_X} \to \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n_X}(\eta) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n_X}(\xi).$$

The complex takes the form:

$$(\mathcal{Q}_{\bullet}) \qquad 0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_n \longrightarrow \dots \longrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_1 \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n_X}$$

see [BV88, 2.C] for details about this construction.

Assume  $\dim(Z) = 0$  and let:

$$(\mathcal{P}_{\bullet}) \qquad 0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}_n \longrightarrow \dots \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}_1 \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}_0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_Z \longrightarrow 0$$

be a locally free resolution of  $\mathcal{O}_Z$ , so here  $\mathcal{P}_0 = \mathcal{O}_X$  and  $\mathcal{P}_1 = \mathbf{V} \otimes \mathcal{L}^{\vee}$ . Set

$$\mathcal{P}'_{i} = p^{*} \mathcal{P}^{\vee}_{n+1-i} \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n}_{X}}(-n\eta - \xi) \quad \text{ for } 1 \le i \le n+1$$

and let  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}$  be the ideal of  $\mathbb{X}$  into  $\mathbb{P}^n_X$ . Our result is the following:

**Theorem 1.1.** Under the assumption that  $\dim(Z) = 0$ ,  $\mathbb{X}$  is Cohen-Macaulay of dimension n and there is a locally free resolution of  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}$  of the following form:

(R1) 
$$0 \to P'_{n+1} \to \begin{array}{c} \mathcal{Q}_n \\ \oplus \\ \mathcal{P}'_n \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} \mathcal{Q}_1 \\ \oplus \\ \mathcal{P}'_1 \end{array} \to \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}} \to 0.$$

Denoting by  $y_i$  the homogeneous relative coordinates of the projective bundle  $\mathbb{P}^n_X$ , we make the following definition.

**Definition 1.2.** A complex  $(\mathcal{R}_{\bullet})$  over  $\mathbb{P}^n_X$  is *subregular* if for all *i* the differential  $\mathcal{R}_i \to \mathcal{R}_{i-1}$  is linear or constant in the *y* variables.

Note that we put no conditions on the coordinates of the base variety X. With this definition, Theorem 1.1 implies:

**Corollary 1.3.** The ideal  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}$  admits a subregular locally free resolution over  $\mathbb{P}^n_X$ .

Looking back to the map  $\Phi: X \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}(V)$ , our motivation for Corollary 1.3 is to study the length of a subscheme obtained as zero locus of a global section of the sheaf  $p_*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{X}}(1)^n)$  and relate it to the topological degree of  $\Phi$ , see [Dol11] for these definitions. Corollary 1.3 ensures that all higher direct image sheaves of  $p_*$  vanish.

In the last section, we focus on a graded version of this result. Take  $R = k[x_0, \ldots, x_n]$  and  $I_Z = (\phi_0, \ldots, \phi_n)$  an ideal generated by n + 1 homogeneous polynomials of degree  $\eta$ . The ideal of the symmetric algebra of  $I_Z$ , denoted by  $I_X$ , is a bigraded homogeneous ideal of  $S = R[y_0, \ldots, y_n]$ . This time we consider the two complexes  $(P'_{\bullet})$  and  $(Q_{\bullet})$  obtained by taking the graded modules of global sections of  $(\mathcal{P}'_{\bullet})$  and  $(Q_{\bullet})$ . These are S-graded subregular complexes. Our result in this setting is the following.

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**Theorem 1.4.** Assume  $I_Z$  is a graded homogeneous Cohen-Macaulay ideal of dimension 1, then  $\mathbb{X}$  is Cohen-Macaulay and a minimal bigraded S-free resolution of  $I_{\mathbb{X}}$  reads:

(R2) 
$$0 \rightarrow Q_n'' \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\substack{n \\ P_{n-1}''}}^{Q_{n-1}''} \xrightarrow{Q_{n-2}''} \longrightarrow \dots \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\substack{n \\ P_2''}}^{Q_2''} \rightarrow P_1'' \rightarrow I_{\mathbb{X}} \rightarrow 0$$

where

$$Q_i'' = \bigoplus_{j=1}^n Q_{i,j}, \quad Q_{i,j} = S\big(-(i-j)\eta, -j-1\big)^{\binom{n+1}{i+1}}, \quad P_i'' = P_{i+1} \otimes S(\eta, -1).$$

Moreover Theorem 1.1 and Theorem 1.4 are sharp in the following sense. If  $\dim(Z) > 0$ , then the resolution of X might not be subregular as shown in the following example. This example was explained to us by Aldo Conca.

**Example 1.5.** In  $\mathbb{P}^3$ , consider the zero locus Z of the ideal  $I_Z = (-x_2^3x_3 + x_3^4, -x_2^4 - x_3^4, -x_1x_3^3 - x_3^4, x_2^2x_3^2 + x_3^4)$ . The ideal  $I_Z$  has dimension 2 over  $R = k[x_0, \ldots, x_3]$ , so dim(Z) = 1, and a minimal graded free resolution of  $I_X$  reads:

where we wrote the shift in the y variables in the right position. Hence the resolution of  $I_X$  is not subregular.

The explicit computations given in this paper were made using Macaulay2. The corresponding codes are available on request.

### 2. Local resolution of the symmetric algebra

2.1. **Preliminaries and notation.** For the whole paper, X is a smooth quasiprojective variety, where variety stands here for a reduced connected scheme of finite type. Set n for the dimension of X. Let  $\mathcal{I}_Z = (\phi_0, \ldots, \phi_n) \subset \mathcal{O}_X$  be an ideal sheaf generated by n + 1 linearly independent global sections of a line bundle  $\mathcal{L}$ over X and  $V = \text{vect}(\phi_0, \ldots, \phi_n)$ .

**Notation.** We denote by  $\mathbb{P}$  the projective bundle  $\operatorname{Proj}\left(\operatorname{Sym}(\mathcal{O}_X(-\eta)^{n+1})\right)$  with its bundle map  $p: \mathbb{P} \to X$  and relative homogeneous coordinates  $y_0, \ldots, y_n$ . Here  $\operatorname{Sym}(\mathcal{O}_X(-\eta)^{n+1})$  refers to the sheafified symmetric algebra of  $\mathcal{O}_X(-\eta)^{n+1}$  and  $\mathbb{P}$ is a shorter notation for the relative projective space  $\mathbb{P}_X^n$  in the introduction.

We let  $\xi$  be the first Chern class of  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(1)$  and, depending on the context,  $\eta$  stands either for  $c_1(\mathcal{L})$  or  $p^*c_1(\mathcal{L})$ .

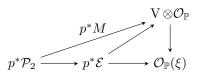
For a subscheme  $\mathbb{L}$  of  $\mathbb{P}$  and any  $x \in X$ , we denote by  $\mathbb{L}_x$  the scheme-theoretic fibre of p restricted to  $\mathbb{L}$  above x.

Moreover, if  $\mathcal{J}$  is an ideal sheaf of a scheme Y,  $\mathbb{V}(\mathcal{J})$  stands for the subscheme of Y defined by  $\mathcal{J}$ .

By definition,  $\mathbb{X} = \operatorname{Proj}(\operatorname{Sym}(\mathcal{I}_Z))$ . Let

(P1) 
$$\begin{array}{c} \mathcal{P}_2 \xrightarrow{M} \mathcal{P}_1 \xrightarrow{\Phi} \mathcal{I}_Z \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & 0 \end{array}$$

be a locally free presentation of  $\mathcal{I}_Z$  where  $\mathcal{P}_1 = \mathcal{V} \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(-\eta)$  and  $\Phi = (\phi_0 \dots \phi_n)$ . The composition of the canonical map  $\mathcal{V} \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}} \to \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(\xi)$  sending  $\phi_i$  to  $y_i$  with the map  $p^*M : p^*\mathcal{P}_2 \to p^*\mathcal{P}_1$  provides a map  $p^*\mathcal{P}_2 \to \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(\xi)$  as in the following diagram:



So, by [Bou70, A.III.69.4],  $\mathbb{X}$  is the zero scheme of the corresponding section of the composition map  $s \in \mathrm{H}^0(\mathbb{P}, p^*\mathcal{P}_2^{\vee} \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(\xi))$ . Otherwise stated, the ideal sheaf  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}$  of  $\mathbb{X}$  into  $\mathbb{P}$  is generated by the entries of the row matrix  $\mathbf{y}p^*M$  where M is the presentation matrix appearing in (P1) and  $\mathbf{y}$  stands for  $(y_0 \ldots y_n)$ . We denote by  $M_x$  the matrix obtained from M by specializing at the point  $x \in X$ .

We emphasize the following remark. Since  $\dim(X) = n$  and  $\operatorname{codim}(Z, X) = n$ , the local structure sheaf of a point  $z \in Z$ , denoted by  $\mathcal{O}_{Z,z}$ , is generated by at least *n* independent sections of  $\mathcal{L}$  lying in V. The crucial point is to take care of the case where  $z \in Z$  is a point at which Z is not a complete intersection, i.e all the sections  $\phi_0, \ldots, \phi_n$  are required to generate  $\mathcal{O}_{Z,z}$ .

**Lemma 2.1.** Let  $x \in X$  be a closed point. The scheme-theoretic fibre  $X_x$  is:

- (i) a point if  $x \notin Z$ ,
- (ii) isomorphic to  $\mathbb{P}_x^{n-1}$  if  $x \in Z$  and Z is a local complete intersection at x,
- (iii) isomorphic to  $\mathbb{P}_x^n$  if  $x \in Z$  and Z is not a local complete intersection at x.

In general,  $\mathbb{X}_x$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{P}_x^{n-r}$  where  $r = \operatorname{rank}(M_x)$ .

*Proof.* Since the formation of the symmetric algebra commutes with base change, the fibre  $\mathbb{X}_x$  is obtained by localizing X at x and taking  $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{I}_Z \otimes \mathbf{k}_x)$ , where  $\mathbf{k}_x$  is the residue field of  $\mathcal{O}_X$  at x.

(i) If  $x \notin Z$ , locally at x the ideal  $\mathcal{I}_Z$  is just  $\mathcal{O}_X$ , so p is an isomorphism of  $\mathbb{X}_x$  to x.

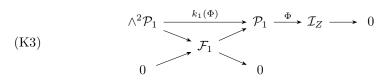
(ii),(iii) If  $x \in Z$ , since Z has codimension n in X, a subspace of n independent local sections of  $\mathcal{L}$  from V is needed at least to generate  $\mathcal{I}_Z$  locally around x. Actually such subspace exists if and only if Z is a local complete intersection (LCI) at x. In other words,  $\mathcal{I}_Z \otimes \mathbf{k}_x$  is a  $\mathbf{k}_x$ -vector space which can be generated by an n-dimensional subspace of V if and only if Z is LCI at x, so that  $\mathcal{I}_Z \otimes \mathbf{k}_x$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbf{k}_x^n$  or to  $\mathbf{k}_x^{n+1}$  depending on whether Z is LCI at x or not. Therefore  $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{I}_Z \otimes \mathbf{k}_x)$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{P}_x^{n-1}$  or  $\mathbb{P}_x^n$ depending on whether Z is LCI at x or not.

For the last statement, tensor (P1) by  $k_x$  and observe that the kernel  $\mathcal{K}_x$  of the surjection  $\Phi_x : V \to \mathcal{I}_Z \otimes k_x$  is a quotient of  $\mathcal{E} \otimes k_x$ , which in turn is a quotient of  $\mathcal{P}_2 \otimes k_x$ . The composition of these surjections and of the inclusion  $\mathcal{K}_x \to V$  is just

the matrix  $M_x$ , so ker $(\Phi_x) = \text{Im}(M_x)$ . Therefore dim $(\mathcal{I}_Z \otimes \mathbf{k}_x) = n + 1 - \text{rank}(M_x)$ , which completes the proof.

**Remark 2.2.** In our setting of a zero-dimensional scheme Z, by [Eis95, Proposition 20.6], the set of points  $z \in Z$  such that  $\mathbb{X}_z \simeq \mathbb{P}_z^n$  is equal set theoretically to  $\mathbb{V}(\operatorname{Fitt}_n(\mathcal{I}_Z))$  where  $\operatorname{Fitt}_n(\mathcal{I}_Z)$  is the ideal generated by the entries of M.

Now, we take the Koszul complex with respect to the map  $V \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(-\eta) = \mathcal{P}_1 \xrightarrow{\Phi} \mathcal{O}_X$  and we write  $k_i(\Phi)$  for the *i*-th differential of the Koszul complex. We have the following sequence:



which is not exact since Z is not empty and where we put  $\mathcal{F}_1 = \text{Im}(k_1(\Phi))$ . By definition of the presentation and the Koszul complex, we have  $\mathcal{F}_1 \subset \mathcal{E}$  and  $\mathcal{E}/\mathcal{F}_1 = \mathcal{H}_1(\mathcal{I}_Z)$  where  $\mathcal{E}$  is as in (P1) and  $\mathcal{H}_1(\mathcal{I}_Z)$  stands for the first Koszul homology of the set  $(\phi_0 \ldots \phi_n)$  of generators of  $\mathcal{I}_Z$ .

2.2. Gorenstein nature of the Koszul hull. We introduce now another subscheme of  $\mathbb{P}$  which we call the Koszul hull of X. This subscheme contains X and actually differs from X by a copy of  $\mathbb{P}^n_Z$ , as we will see.

**Definition 2.3.** Set notation as in (K3) and let  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}}$  be the ideal sheaf generated by the entries in the row matrix  $\mathbf{y}p^*k_1(\Phi)$ . We call the *Koszul hull*, denoted by  $\mathbb{K}$ , the subscheme in  $\mathbb{P}$  defined by  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{V}(\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}})$ .

Now, we explain the strategy of the proof of Theorem 1.1. Via the inclusion  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{E}$ , we see that  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}} \subset \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}$ , that is  $\mathbb{X} \subset \mathbb{K}$ . Hence we have the following short exact sequence:

 $0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}/\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}} \longrightarrow 0.$ 

So in order to get the subregularity of the resolution of  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}$ , we first show the subregularity of resolutions of  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}}$  and of  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}/\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}}$  and from there, we show how we get the resolution of  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}$  by patching together these resolutions.

We start by analysing the Koszul hull more closely.

**Proposition 2.4.** We have the following properties.

(i) The scheme  $\mathbb{K}$  is determinantal. More precisely,  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}}$  is the ideal of the  $2 \times 2$ minors of the map  $V \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}} \to \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(\eta) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(\xi)$  defined by the matrix:

$$\psi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_0 & \dots & \phi_n \\ y_0 & \dots & y_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

Under the assumption that  $\dim_X(Z) = 0$ :

- (*ii*)  $\operatorname{codim}(\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{P}) = n$ .
- (iii) A locally free resolution of  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}$  is the sheafification of the Eagon-Northcott complex. Namely, there is a long exact sequence:

$$(\mathcal{Q}_{\bullet}) \qquad 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}_n \rightarrow \ldots \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}} \rightarrow 0$$

where  $Q_i = \bigoplus_{j=0}^i Q_{i,j}$  and

 $\mathcal{Q}_{i,j} = (\stackrel{i+1}{\wedge} \mathrm{V}) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(-(j+1)\xi - (i-j)\eta) \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } 0 \leq j \leq i-1.$ (iv) The scheme  $\mathbb{K}$  is Gorenstein, more precisely we have:

 $\omega_{\mathbb{K}} \simeq p^* \omega_X \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(n\eta - n\xi).$ 

*Proof.* (i) The morphism  $k_1(\Phi)$  takes the form,

$$k_1(\Phi) = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 & \phi_2 & \dots \\ -\phi_0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & -\phi_0 & \dots \\ \vdots & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

and  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}}$  is generated by the entries in the row matrix  $\mathbf{y}p^*k_1(\Phi)$ . Those entries are the same as the 2 × 2 minors of the matrix  $\psi$ .

- (ii) We argue set-theoretically by looking at the fibres of the map  $\mathbb{K} \to X$ obtained as restriction of p to  $\mathbb{K}$ . First, note that if  $z \notin Z$ , then it is clear by the definition of  $\mathbb{K}$  that  $\mathbb{K}_z$  is a single point. On the other hand, if  $z \in Z$ then  $\phi_i(z) = 0$  for all  $i \in \{0, \ldots, n\}$  so by definition of  $\mathbb{K}$  we have  $\mathbb{K}_z = \mathbb{P}_z^n$ . Therefore the reduced structure of  $\mathbb{K}$  is the union of X and of  $\bigcup_{z \in Z} \mathbb{P}_z^n$ . This proves that  $\mathbb{K}$  has dimension n.
- (iii) Since  $\mathbb{K}$  is determinantal of the expected codimension, it is Cohen Macaulay [BV88, Cor. 2.8]. Hence depth( $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}}$ ) = codim( $\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{P}$ ) = n. Therefore the Eagon-Northcott complex provides a global resolution of the ideal  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}}$ [BV88, Th. 2.16]. The first map  $\wedge^2 \mathbb{V} \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}} \to \wedge^2 \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(\eta) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(\xi)$  of the Eagon-Northcott complex is the matrix  $\wedge^2 \psi$ . Hence the complex ( $\mathcal{Q}_{\bullet}$ ) provides a resolution of  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}}$ .
- (iv) By the previous item (iii), a resolution of  $\omega_{\mathbb{K}}$  is given by:

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_1^{\vee} \otimes \omega_{\mathbb{P}} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{n-1}^{\vee} \otimes \omega_{\mathbb{P}} \xrightarrow{M_1} \mathcal{Q}_n^{\vee} \otimes \omega_{\mathbb{P}} \longrightarrow \omega_{\mathbb{K}} \longrightarrow 0.$$

Locally, we can write explicitly the matrix  $M_1$  which is the transpose of the last matrix in the Eagon-Northcott complex. So  $M_1$  has size  $n \times (n - 1)(n + 1)$  and locally takes the form:

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	$y_0 \cdots y_n \phi_0 \cdots \phi_n  0 \cdots \cdots$	
$M_1 =$	$0 \cdots 0  y_0 \cdots y_n  \phi_0 \cdots \phi_n  0 \cdots \cdots 0$	
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Consider an open cover of X by a family of open subsets  $\{U_t \mid t \in J\}$ such that  $U_t \cap Z = \{z_t\}$ . If  $z \in U \subset U_t \setminus \{z_t\}$  for all t, then the restriction of  $\mathcal{I}_Z$  to U is equal to  $\mathcal{O}_U$  so that  $\mathbb{K}_U = \mathbb{X}_U = U$  is obviously Gorenstein, because U is smooth.

Or else, if  $z = z_t$  for some t, then  $\phi_s(z) = 0$  for all  $s \in \{0, \ldots, n\}$ . In this case, since every point in  $(y_0 : \ldots : y_n) \in \mathbb{P}^n_z$  has at least one non zero

coordinate, the matrix  $(M_1)_z$  has corank 1. This shows that for any point of X, the stalk of  $\omega_{\mathbb{K}}$  has rank 1 at that point, so  $\omega_{\mathbb{K}}$  is locally free of rank one. Hence  $\mathbb{K}_{U_j}$  is Gorenstein. This proves that K is Gorenstein.

Now, we show the isomorphism

$$\omega_{\mathbb{K}} \simeq p^* \omega_X \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(n\eta - n\xi).$$

To do this, we first give an explicit formula for  $\omega_{\mathbb{K}}$  by describing the scheme  $\mathbb{K}$  as a complete intersection into a larger projective bundle (see [Ein93] for more details about this construction). Let  $\mathbb{B}$  be the projective bundle  $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(\eta) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(\xi))$  and put  $\zeta$  for the relative hyperplane class of the bundle map  $q : \mathbb{B} \to \mathbb{P}$ . A divisor D in  $|\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{B}}(\zeta)|$  corresponds to a map  $\psi_D : \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}} \to \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(\eta) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(\xi)$ . Since the matrix  $\psi$  whose  $2 \times 2$  minors define  $\mathbb{K}$  has constant rank 1 over  $\mathbb{K}$ , the map q restricts to an isomorphism from the complete intersection  $\cap_{i=0}^{n} D_i$  to  $\mathbb{K}$ , where  $D_i$  corresponds to  $\psi_{D_i} = (\phi_i, y_i)$ .

Therefore, by adjunction we have:

(2.2.1) 
$$q^* \omega_{\mathbb{K}} \simeq \omega_{\mathbb{B}} ((n+1)\zeta).$$

Next, we show that:

$$\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{K}}(\zeta) \simeq \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{K}}(\eta).$$

Indeed, given a divisor  $D \in |\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{B}}(\zeta)|$ , the intersection  $D \cap \mathbb{K}$  is defined in  $\mathbb{P}$  by the vanishing of the  $2 \times 2$  minors of the matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi_0 & \dots & \phi_n & \phi_D \\ y_0 & \dots & y_n & y_D \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $\psi_D = (\phi_D, y_D)$  corresponds to D. Since  $y_D$  lies in  $\langle y_0, \ldots, y_n \rangle$ , this matrix is equivalent up to row and column operations to:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi_0 & \dots & \phi_n & \phi'_D \ y_0 & \dots & y_n & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

for some  $\phi'_D \in \mathrm{H}^0(X, \mathcal{L})$ .

This means that the ideal of  $D \cap \mathbb{K}$  in  $\mathbb{K}$  is generated by  $(y_0 \phi'_D, \ldots, y_n \phi'_D)$ . Since all the  $y_i$  do not vanish simultaneously, this implies that  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{K}}(\xi)$  is generated by the restriction to  $\mathbb{K}$  of  $\phi'_D$ . Hence  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{K}}(\zeta) \simeq \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{K}}(\eta)$  and we compute:

$$\omega_{\mathbb{P}} \simeq p^* \omega_X \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}} \big( -(n+1)\xi \big)$$

and therefore:

$$\omega_{\mathbb{B}} \simeq q^* \omega_{\mathbb{P}} \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{B}}(-2\zeta + \eta + \xi).$$

Hence by (2.2.1) and (2.2.2), we get that 
$$\omega_{\mathbb{K}} \simeq p^* \omega_X \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(n\eta - n\xi)$$
.

2.3. Description of the quotient  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}/\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}}$ . We show now the subregularity of a locally free resolution of the quotient  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}/\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}}$ .

**Proposition 2.5.** We have the following isomorphism:

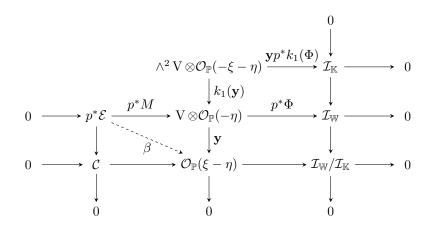
$$\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}/\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}} \simeq p^*(\omega_Z \otimes \omega_X^{\vee}) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(-n\eta - \xi)$$

The proof of this proposition is the object of Lemma 2.6. Its proof and the proof of Proposition 2.5 rely mostly on [Eis95, Theorem 21.23]. We refer to [Eis95] for the relevant definitions.

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**Lemma 2.6.** The quotient ideal sheaf  $(\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}} : \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}})$  is isomorphic to  $p^*\mathcal{I}_Z$ .

*Proof.* As in the proof of Proposition 2.4, we denote by  $k_1(\mathbf{y})$  the first differential in the Koszul complex associated to the map  $(y_0 \ldots y_n)$ . We denote also by  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X},\mathbb{K}}$ the ideal of  $\mathbb{X}$  in  $\mathbb{K}$  and  $\mathbb{W}$  stands for the scheme  $p^*Z$ . Of course we have  $\mathbb{W} \simeq \mathbb{P}^n_Z$ . The inclusion  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}} \subset \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{W}}$  explains the right horizontal exact sequence in the following commutative diagram:



The commutativity in the right above square comes from the following fact. Writing down the matrix  $k_1(\mathbf{y})$  as follows:

$$k_1(\mathbf{y}) = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 & y_2 & \dots \\ -y_0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & -y_0 & \dots \\ \vdots & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

and similarly for  $k_1(\Phi)$ , it is direct computation to show that  $\mathbf{y}p^*k_1(\Phi) = p^*\Phi k_1(\mathbf{y})$ .

Hence, the image of the map  $\beta = \mathbf{y}p^*M$  is exactly the ideal  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}(\xi)$  and we have that:

$$\operatorname{Ann}(\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{W}}/\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}})\simeq\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}.$$

Now we use the assumption that Z is zero-dimensional. Since the statement is local and the formation of the symmetric algebra commutes with base change, we can assume that  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}$  and  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{K}}$  are Gorenstein local rings. We apply [Eis95, Theorem 21.23.a.] to the Gorenstein scheme  $\mathbb{K}$  and to the ideal sheaf  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X},\mathbb{K}}$ .

We denote by  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{W},\mathbb{K}}$  the ideal of  $\mathbb{W}$  in  $\mathbb{K}$ . Since  $\mathbb{W}$  has codimension 0 in  $\mathbb{K}$ and has no embedded components, the ideals  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{W},\mathbb{K}}$  and  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X},\mathbb{K}}$  are linked in  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{K}}$ . This shows that  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{W},\mathbb{K}} = \operatorname{Ann}(\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X},\mathbb{K}})$ . Now, since we have already  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}} \subset \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{W}}$ , the equality occurs as ideal sheaves of  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}$  itself. Moreover we have the isomorphism  $\operatorname{Ann}(\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X},\mathbb{K}}) \simeq (\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}} : \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}})$ . Hence:

$$\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{W}} = p^* \mathcal{I}_Z \simeq (\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}} : \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}).$$

Proof of Proposition 2.5. As above, we can assume that  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{R}}$  and  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{K}}$  are Gorenstein local rings and we apply [Eis95, Theorem 21.23] to  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{K}}$ . We denote again by  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X},\mathbb{K}}$  the ideal of  $\mathbb{X}$  in  $\mathbb{K}$  and by  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{W},\mathbb{K}}$  the ideal of  $\mathbb{W}$  in  $\mathbb{K}$  (recall that  $\mathbb{W} = p^*Z$ ).

Since  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X},\mathbb{K}}$  has codimension 0 in  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{K}}$ , we have that  $(\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}} : \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}})$  and  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X},\mathbb{K}}$  are linked. But following the notation in Lemma 2.6,  $(\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}} : \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}) \simeq \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{W},\mathbb{K}}$ .

Moreover,  $\mathbbm W$  is Cohen-Macaulay as a pull back of Z so  $\mathbbm X$  is also Cohen-Macaulay and we have:

$$\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{W},\mathbb{K}}\simeq\omega_{\mathbb{X}}$$

where  $\omega_{\mathbb{X}}$  is the canonical sheaf of X. Summing up, we have that:

$$\omega_{\mathbb{W}} \otimes \omega_{\mathbb{K}}^{\vee} \simeq \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X},\mathbb{K}} \simeq \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}/\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}}.$$

Now, since  $\mathbb{W} \simeq \mathbb{P}^n_Z$ , we have  $\omega_{\mathbb{W}} \simeq p^* \omega_Z \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(-(n+1)\xi)$ . Therefore, by Proposition 2.4:

$$\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}/\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}} \simeq \omega_{\mathbb{W}} \otimes \omega_{\mathbb{K}}^{\vee} \simeq p^*(\omega_Z \otimes \omega_X^{\vee}) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(-n\eta - \xi).$$

Denoting  $\mathcal{H}_1(\mathcal{I}_Z)$  the first Koszul homology associated to  $\Phi : \mathrm{V} \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(-\eta) \to \mathcal{O}_X$ , as in (K3), we emphasize the following point in order to elucidate the nature of the sheaf  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}/\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}}$ .

**Proposition 2.7.** The sheaf  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}/\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}}$  is isomorphic to the pull-back of the first homology  $\mathcal{H}_1(\mathcal{I}_Z)$  of  $\Phi$  up to a shift. More precisely, we have

$$\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}/\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}} \simeq p^* \mathcal{H}_1(\mathcal{I}_Z) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(\eta - \xi).$$

*Proof.* To shorten the notation, we set  $\mathcal{H}_1$  for  $\mathcal{H}_1(\mathcal{I}_Z)$ . We are going to show that

(2.3.1)  $\mathcal{H}_1 \simeq \omega_Z \otimes \omega_X^{\vee} \big( -(n+1)\eta \big).$ 

First,  $\omega_Z \simeq \mathcal{E}xt^n(\mathcal{O}_Z, \omega_X)$ . Hence, we will prove (2.3.1) by showing that

$$\mathcal{O}_Z \simeq \mathcal{E}\mathrm{xt}^n(\mathcal{H}_1,\omega_X) \otimes \omega_X^{\vee} \big( -(n+1)\eta \big)$$

To this end, let:

(K4) 
$$0 \rightarrow \bigwedge^{n+1} \mathcal{P}_1 \stackrel{k_n(\Phi)}{\longrightarrow} \dots \xrightarrow{2} \bigwedge^2 \mathcal{P}_1 \xrightarrow{k_1(\Phi)} \mathcal{P}_1 \stackrel{\Phi}{\longrightarrow} \mathcal{I}_Z \rightarrow 0$$
  
 $\mathcal{F}_2 \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}_2} \mathcal{P}_1 \stackrel{\mathcal{F}_1 \subset \mathcal{E}}{\longrightarrow} \mathcal{P}_1 \stackrel{\Phi}{\longrightarrow} \mathcal{I}_Z \rightarrow 0$ 

be the Koszul complex associated with  $\Phi = (\phi_0 \ldots \phi_n)$ , where  $\stackrel{i}{\wedge} \mathcal{P}_1 = (\wedge^i \mathbf{V}) \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(-i\eta)$ . Since  $\operatorname{codim}(Z, X) = \operatorname{depth}(\mathcal{I}_Z) = n$  the Koszul homology is concentrated in degree 1 and by definition  $\mathcal{H}_1 = \mathcal{E}/\mathcal{F}_1$ .

Applying the functor  $\mathcal{H}om(-,\omega_X)$  to (K4), we obtain:

$$0 \to \mathcal{H}om(\mathcal{F}_1, \omega_X) \to \ldots \to \mathcal{V} \otimes \omega_X(n\eta) \to \omega_X((n+1)\eta) \to \mathcal{E}xt^1(\mathcal{F}_{n-1}, \omega_X) \to 0$$

and it is a computation to show that  $\mathcal{E}xt^1(\mathcal{F}_{n-1},\omega_X) \simeq \mathcal{E}xt^{n-1}(\mathcal{F}_1,\omega_X)$ .

The last point is that  $\mathcal{E}xt^{n-1}(\mathcal{F}_1,\omega_X) \simeq \mathcal{E}xt^n(\mathcal{H}_1,\omega_X)$ . Indeed, by the long exact sequence associated to the short exact sequence:

$$0 \to \mathcal{F}_1 \to \mathcal{E} \to \mathcal{H}_1 \to 0$$

we have the following exact sequence:

$$\mathcal{E}\mathrm{xt}^{n-1}(\mathcal{E},\omega_X) \to \mathcal{E}\mathrm{xt}^{n-1}(\mathcal{F}_1,\omega_X) \to \mathcal{E}\mathrm{xt}^n(\mathcal{H}_1,\omega_X) \to \mathcal{E}\mathrm{xt}^n(\mathcal{E},\omega_X)$$

and  $\mathcal{E}xt^{n-1}(\mathcal{E},\omega_X) = \mathcal{E}xt^n(\mathcal{E},\omega_X) = 0$  since Z is locally Cohen-Macaulay.

Moreover, the last map  $k_n(\Phi)$  of the Koszul complex is the transpose of the first map  $\Phi$  up to signs. Thus the maps in the sequence:

$$V \otimes \omega_X(n\eta) \to \omega_X((n+1)\eta) \to \mathcal{E}xt^n(\mathcal{H}_1,\omega_X) \to 0$$

are the same as the maps in the exact sequence:

$$\mathcal{P}_1 \xrightarrow{\Phi} \mathcal{O}_X \to \mathcal{O}_Z \to 0.$$

Taking care of the twisting, this means that  $\mathcal{O}_Z \otimes \omega_X ((n+1)\eta) \simeq \mathcal{E} \operatorname{xt}^n(\mathcal{H}_1, \omega_X)$ . This implies  $\mathcal{H}_1 \simeq \omega_Z \otimes \omega_X^{\vee} (-(n+1)\eta)$ .

**Remark 2.8.** To enlighten the construction of the sheaves  $\mathcal{P}'_i$  for  $i \in \{1, \ldots, n+1\}$  in the following proof of Theorem 1.1, recall that the complex:

$$(P_{\bullet}) \qquad 0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}_n \longrightarrow \ldots \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}_1 \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}_0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_Z \longrightarrow 0$$

is a locally free resolution of  $\mathcal{O}_Z$ . Hence, a locally free resolution of  $\omega_Z$  reads :

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}_0^{\vee} \otimes \omega_X \longrightarrow \ldots \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}_n^{\vee} \otimes \omega_X \longrightarrow \omega_Z \longrightarrow 0$$

from which we can read a locally free resolution of  $\omega_Z \otimes \omega_X^{\vee}$ .

*Proof of Theorem 1.1.* As we saw in Lemma 2.1 and in the proof of Proposition 2.5, X is Cohen-Macaulay of dimension n.

Moreover, by Proposition 2.4 and Proposition 2.5, we have the following commutative diagram:

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{n} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{2} \longrightarrow \mathcal{Q}_{1} \longrightarrow \overset{0}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{X}}}{\overset{1}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}_{\mathbb{X}}}{\overset{1}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\\{\mathbb{Z}}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\\{\mathbb{Z}}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\\{\mathbb{Z}}{\\{\mathbb{Z}}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\\{\mathbb{Z}}{\\{\mathbb{Z}}{{\mathbb{Z}}{{\mathbb{Z}}{\\{\mathbb{Z}}{$$

where

$$\mathcal{Q}_i = \bigoplus_{j=0}^{i-1} \left( (\bigwedge^{i+1} \mathbf{V}) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(-(j+1)\xi - (i-j)\eta) \right)$$

and

$$\mathcal{P}'_{i} = p^{*} \mathcal{P}^{\vee}_{n+1-i} \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(-n\eta - \xi) \quad \text{ for } 1 \le i \le n+1.$$

To show that these resolutions patch together to give the desired resolution of  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}$ , it suffices to prove that  $\operatorname{Ext}^1(\mathcal{P}'_1,\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}})=0$  that is  $\operatorname{H}^1(\mathbb{P},\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{K}}\otimes\mathcal{P}'^{\vee}_1)=0$ .

Hence it suffices that  $\mathrm{H}^{i}(\mathbb{P}, \mathcal{Q}_{i} \otimes \mathcal{P}_{1}^{\vee}) = 0$  for all  $i \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$ . Kunneth formula implies these vanishings since the cohomology groups  $\mathrm{H}^{i}(\mathbb{P}^{n}, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n}}(-j))$  vanish for all  $j = 0, \ldots, i-1$ . In the case i = n, we use that

$$\mathrm{H}^{n}\left(\mathbb{P}^{n},\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n}}(-j)\right)\simeq\mathrm{H}^{0}\left(\mathbb{P}^{n},\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n}}(j-n-1)\right)$$

and the fact that  $j - n - 1 \leq -2$ .

This shows eventually Theorem 1.1.

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We summarize Theorem 1.1 into the following corollary.

**Corollary 2.9.** Under the assumption that  $\dim(Z) = 0$ , the ideal  $\mathcal{I}_X$  has a resolution of the following form:

$$0 \to \mathcal{G}_{n+1} \to \mathcal{G}_n \to \ldots \to \mathcal{G}_2 \to \mathcal{G}_1 \to \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}} \to 0$$

where  $\mathcal{G}_i = \bigoplus_{j=1}^i p^* \mathcal{T}_{ij} \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(-j\xi)$  when  $i \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$  and  $\mathcal{G}_{n+1} = p^* \mathcal{T}_n \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(-\xi)$  for some locally free sheaves  $\mathcal{T}_{ij}$  and  $\mathcal{T}_n$  over X.

## 3. Graded free resolution of the symmetric algebra

Now, we turn to the analysis of a resolution of the symmetric algebra of a homogeneous ideal of the polynomial ring  $R = k[x_0, \ldots, x_n]$ . So let  $I_Z = (\phi_0, \ldots, \phi_n) \subset R$ be an ideal generated by n+1 linearly independent homogeneous polynomials each one of the same degree  $\eta \geq 2$ . We will denote by  $R_Z$  the quotient  $R/I_Z$  and by Zthe subscheme  $\mathbb{V}(I_Z)$  of  $\mathbb{P}^n$ .

We will assume that  $\dim(Z) = 0$  and that  $R_Z$  is a graded Cohen-Macaulay ring. As above let:

$$(P_{\bullet}) \qquad 0 \longrightarrow P_n \longrightarrow \ldots \longrightarrow P_2 \xrightarrow{M} P_1 \longrightarrow I_Z \longrightarrow 0$$

be a minimal graded free resolution of  $I_Z$ , M being the presentation matrix of  $I_Z$ and  $P_1 = R(-\eta)^{n+1}$ .

As in the previous section, let  $k_1(\Phi) : \wedge^2 P_1 \to P_1$  be the second differential of the Koszul complex associated with the map  $\Phi : P_1 \xrightarrow{(\phi_0 \dots \phi_n)} R$ . Put  $F = \text{Im}(k_1(\Phi))$  in order to have the following exact sequence:

$$R(-2\eta)^{\binom{n+1}{2}} \xrightarrow{k_1(\Phi)} R(-\eta)^{n+1} \xrightarrow{\Phi} I_Z \longrightarrow 0.$$

**Definition 3.1.** Set  $S = R[y_0, \ldots, y_n]$  and  $\mathbf{y} = (y_0 \ldots y_n)$ . We let  $I_{\mathbb{X}}$  be the ideal of S generated by the entries in the row matrix  $\mathbf{y}M$  and  $I_{\mathbb{K}}$  be the ideal of S generated by the entries in the row matrix  $\mathbf{y}k_1(\phi)$ .

Here, as above,  $F \subset E$  so  $I_{\mathbb{K}} \subset I_{\mathbb{X}}$ .

**Notation.** Since S is bigraded by the variables  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$ , S(-a, -b) stands for a shift in  $\mathbf{x}$  for the left part and  $\mathbf{y}$  for the right part.

As above, we denote by  $\mathbb{P}$  the product  $\mathbb{P}^n \times \mathbb{P}^n$  and by  $p : \mathbb{P}^n \times \mathbb{P}^n \to \mathbb{P}^n$  the first projection.

To show Theorem 1.4, the strategy is initially the same as in the previous section, but since we are dealing with free resolutions, the resolutions of  $I_{\mathbb{K}}$  and  $I_{\mathbb{X}}/I_{\mathbb{K}}$  will patch together providing a resolution of  $I_{\mathbb{X}}$  without further checking. We will explain afterwards how we deduce from this resolution a minimal bigraded free resolution of  $I_{\mathbb{X}}$ . 3.1. The Koszul hull. All the arguments of the proof of Proposition 2.4 remain valid in the graded homogeneous setting. So the ideal  $I_{\mathbb{K}}$  has the following properties:

(i)  $I_{\mathbb{K}}$  is a determinantal ideal.

Under the assumption that  $\operatorname{codim}(Z, \mathbb{P}^n) = n$ :

- (*ii*)  $\operatorname{codim}(\mathbb{K}, \mathbb{P}) = n.$
- (iii) a graded free resolution of  $I_{\mathbb{K}}$  is the Eagon-Northcott complex associated to the matrix:

$$\psi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_0 & \dots & \phi_n \\ y_0 & \dots & y_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

Hence, the following complex is a bigraded free resolution of  $I_{\mathbb{K}}$ :

$$(Q_{\bullet}) \qquad 0 \longrightarrow Q_n \longrightarrow \ldots \longrightarrow Q_2 \longrightarrow Q_1 \longrightarrow I_{\mathbb{K}} \longrightarrow 0$$
  
where  $Q_i = \bigoplus_{j=0}^i Q_{i,j}$  and

$$Q_{i,j} = S\left(-(i-j)\eta, -j-1\right)^{\binom{n+1}{i+1}} \quad \text{for } 1 \le i \le n \text{ and } 0 \le j \le i-1.$$

(*iv*) The scheme  $\mathbb{K}$  is Gorenstein, more precisely the canonical module  $\omega_{S_{\mathbb{K}}}$  of  $\mathbb{K}$  verifies:

$$\omega_{S_{\mathbb{K}}} \simeq S(n(\eta - 1) - 1, -n).$$

3.2. Identification of the quotient  $I_{\mathbb{X}}/I_{\mathbb{K}}$ . We denote by  $\omega_{R_Z}$  the canonical module of Z. All the arguments of Proposition 2.4 and [Eis95, Theorem 21.23] apply in the graded case since  $R_Z$  is a graded Cohen-Macaulay ring of depth n. Hence we have that:

$$M_{\mathbb{X}}/I_{\mathbb{K}} \simeq \omega_{R_Z} \otimes S(n(1-\eta)+1,-1)$$
 as S-modules.

Recall that  $(P_{\bullet})$  is a minimal graded free resolution of  $I_Z$ . Put

$$P'_{i} = P^{\vee}_{n+1-i} \otimes S(-n\eta, -1) \quad \text{for } i \in \{1, \dots, n+1\}$$

Then the complex:

(R2') 
$$0 \rightarrow P'_{n+1} \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\substack{0 \\ P'_n}}^{Q_n} \xrightarrow{Q_2} \xrightarrow{Q_1} \bigoplus_{\substack{0 \\ P'_2}} \xrightarrow{Q_1} \xrightarrow{Q_2} \xrightarrow{Q_1} \xrightarrow{Q_2} \xrightarrow{Q_1} \xrightarrow{Q_2} \xrightarrow{Q_2} \xrightarrow{Q_1} \xrightarrow{Q_2} \xrightarrow{Q_$$

is a bigraded free resolution of  $I_{\mathbb{X}}$ .

3.3. Homotopy of complexes. We turn now to the problem of extracting a minimal bigraded free resolution of  $I_{\mathbb{X}}$  from (R2'). In order to do so, we show first the following result.

Proposition 3.2. There is a canonical isomorphism

$$p_*\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{X}}(\xi) \simeq \mathcal{I}_Z$$

where  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{X}}(\xi)$  and  $\mathcal{I}_{Z}$  are the sheafification of respectively S(0,1) and  $I_{Z}$ .

We emphasize that this is not completely straight forward since X is the Proj of  $\mathcal{I}_Z$  which is not locally free (see Stack project, 26.21. Projective bundles, example 26.21.2).

*Proof.* Since  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(\xi)$  is the relative ample line bundle of the projective bundle  $\mathbb{P} = \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{O}_X(-\eta)^{n+1})$ , we have:

$$\mathbf{R}^{k} p_{*} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(l\eta - j\xi) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } l > 0 \text{ and } j \leq 0, \\ 0 & \text{for } j \in \{1, \dots, k-1\} \text{ and any } l, \\ \mathcal{O}_{X}(l\eta) & \text{for } k = 0 \text{ and } j = 0, \\ \mathcal{O}_{X}^{n+1}((l-1)\eta) & \text{for } k = 0 \text{ and } j = -1. \end{cases}$$

Therefore, applying  $p_*$  to the resolution (R1) and chasing cohomology we get  $\mathrm{R}^1 p_* \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}(\xi) = 0.$ 

Recall that we denote by  $\mathcal{E}$  the kernel of  $\Phi : \mathcal{O}_X(-\eta)^{n+1} \to \mathcal{I}_Z$  and that  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}(\xi)$ is the image of the map  $p^*\mathcal{E} \to \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(\xi)$ . Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be the kernel of this surjection and write the exact sequence:

$$0 \to \mathcal{H} \to p^* \mathcal{E} \to \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}(\xi) \to 0.$$

Since  $p_*p^*\mathcal{E} \simeq \mathcal{E}$  and  $\mathbb{R}^1 p_*p^*\mathcal{E} = 0$ , applying  $p_*$  to this exact sequence, we get:

(a) 
$$0 \to p_*\mathcal{H} \to \mathcal{E} \to p_*\mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}(\xi) \to \mathrm{R}^1 p_*\mathcal{H} \to 0$$

Also, since we proved that  $\mathrm{R}^1 p_* \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}(\xi) = 0$ , applying  $p_*$  to the canonical exact sequence

$$0 \to \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}(\xi) \to \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(\xi) \to \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{X}}(\xi) \to 0$$

we get

(b) 
$$0 \rightarrow p_* \mathcal{I}_{\mathbb{X}}(\xi) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(-\eta)^{n+1} \rightarrow p_* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{X}}(\xi) \rightarrow 0.$$

The exact sequences (a) and (b) fit into the following commutative diagram:

where (a) is the left column, (b) is the central row and the map  $\mathcal{I}_Z \to p_* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{X}}(\xi)$  in the bottom row is the canonical morphism associated to the projectivization of  $\mathcal{I}_Z$ . This morphism is an isomorphism at  $X \setminus Z$  and therefore  $\mathcal{I}_Z \to p_* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{X}}(\xi)$  is injective because  $\mathcal{I}_Z$  is torsion free. Hence  $p_* \mathcal{H} \simeq 0 \simeq \mathbb{R}^1 p_* \mathcal{H}$  and  $p_* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{X}}(\xi) \simeq \mathcal{I}_Z$ .

Proof of Theorem 1.4. We work as in the previous proposition. Taking the pushforward by p of the resolution of  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{X}}(\xi)$  given by (R1) and considering the associated R-modules of global sections, we obtain the following graded free resolution of  $I_Z$ :

$$0 \longrightarrow P_0^{\vee} (-(n+1)\eta) \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} R(-(n+1)\eta) \\ \oplus \\ P_0^{\vee} (-(n+1)\eta) \end{array} \longrightarrow \cdots$$
$$\begin{array}{c} R(-2\eta)^{\binom{n+1}{2}} \\ \oplus \\ P_n^{\vee} (-(n+1)\eta) \end{array} \longrightarrow R(-\eta)^{n+1} \longrightarrow I_Z \longrightarrow 0.$$

This resolution is homotopic to the minimal free resolution  $(P_{\bullet})$  of  $I_Z$ . Therefore, the truncated complex  $(P_{\geq 1})$  of  $(P_{\bullet})$  is homotopic as S-complex to:

$$0 \longrightarrow P'_{n-1} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} Q_{n,0} \\ \oplus \\ P'_n \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} Q_{1,0} \\ \oplus \\ P'_1 \end{array}$$

Hence,  $(\mathbf{R2'})$  is homotopic to:

(R2) 
$$0 \longrightarrow Q_n'' \longrightarrow \bigoplus_{\substack{\oplus \\ P_{n-1}''}}^{Q_{n-1}''} \xrightarrow{Q_{n-2}''} \longrightarrow \dots \longrightarrow \bigoplus_{\substack{\oplus \\ P_2''}}^{Q_2''} \longrightarrow P_1'' \longrightarrow I_{\mathbb{X}} \longrightarrow 0$$

where

$$Q_i'' = \bigoplus_{j=1}^n Q_{i,j}, \quad Q_{i,j} = S\big(-(i-j)\eta, -j-1\big)^{\binom{n+1}{i+1}}, \quad P_i'' = P_{i+1} \otimes S(\eta, -1).$$

The complex (R2) is thus a bigraded free resolution of  $I_{\mathbb{X}}$ .

To finish the proof of Theorem 1.4, it remains to show that (R2) is minimal. This follows from the minimality of  $(P_{\bullet})$  and the fact that, if  $i \neq i'$ , there is no bigraded homogeneous piece of the same degree among  $Q''_i$  and  $Q''_{i'}$  or  $P''_j$  for any  $j \in \{1, \ldots, n-1\}$ .

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