

Triangular $\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$ -actions on the affine four-space in characteristic three

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Abstract

Let k be a field of characteristic three, let $\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$ denote the cyclic group of order three and let $\mathbb{A}_k^4$ denote the affine four-space over k . In this article, we describe triangular $\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$ -actions on $\mathbb{A}_k^4$, up to conjugation of automorphisms of $\mathbb{A}_k^4$.

Introduction

Let k be a field of positive characteristic p , let $\mathbb{A}_k^n$ denote the affine n -space over k and let $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ denote the coordinate ring of $\mathbb{A}_k^n$. Given an algebraic action of a p -cyclic group $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ on $\mathbb{A}_k^n$, we can regard any element σ of $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ as a k -algebra automorphism of $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ satisfying $\sigma^p = \text{id}_{k[x_1, \dots, x_n]}$, where $\text{id}_{k[x_1, \dots, x_n]}$ denotes the identity map from $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ to itself. Conversely, given a k -algebra automorphism σ of $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ satisfying $\sigma^p = \text{id}_{k[x_1, \dots, x_n]}$, we can naturally define an algebraic $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ -action on $\mathbb{A}_k^n$. We say that an algebraic $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ -action Θ on $\mathbb{A}_k^n$ is *triangular* if there exists an element θ of $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ such that the following conditions (1) and (2) are satisfied:

- (1) θ is a triangular automorphism of $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$, i.e., θ can be expressed as $\theta(x_i) = a_i x_i + f_i$ for some $a_i \in k \setminus \{0\}$ and $f_i \in k[x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}]$ ($1 \leq i \leq n$).
- (2) $\Theta(\ell, x) = \theta^\ell(x)$ for all $\ell \geq 0$ and $x \in \mathbb{A}_k^n$.

Clearly, $\theta^p = \text{id}_{k[x_1, \dots, x_n]}$ and $a_i = 1$ for all $1 \leq i \leq n$.

We are interested in describing triangular $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ -actions Θ on $\mathbb{A}_k^n$ up to conjugation of automorphisms of $\mathbb{A}_k^n$ as well as describing triangular automorphisms θ of $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ satisfying $\theta^p = \text{id}_{k[x_1, \dots, x_n]}$ up to conjugation of automorphisms of $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$. At present, we can describe triangular automorphisms θ of $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ satisfying $\theta^p = \text{id}_{k[x_1, \dots, x_n]}$ only for $1 \leq n \leq 3$ (cf. [1] for $n = 2$, and [2] for $n = 3$).

In this article, assuming $p = 3$, we describe triangular automorphisms τ of $k[x, y, z, w]$ satisfying $\tau^3 = \text{id}_{k[x, y, z, w]}$, up to conjugation of automorphisms of

$k[x, y, z, w]$, where $k[x, y, z, w]$ is a polynomial ring in four variables over k . For this description, we introduce special triangular automorphisms of $k[x, y, z, w]$ with the following forms ①, ②, ③, ④:

- ① Let $\gamma(x, y, z) \in k[x, y, z]$. We can define a triangular automorphism τ of $k[x, y, z, w]$ as

$$\begin{cases} \tau(x) := x, \\ \tau(y) := y, \\ \tau(z) := z, \\ \tau(w) := w + \gamma(x, y, z). \end{cases}$$

- ② Given a non-zero polynomial $\beta(x, y) \in k[x, y]$, we let $N(z) := z^3 - \beta(x, y)^2 z$. Choose arbitrary $\gamma_i \in k[x, y, N(z)]$ ($i = 0, 1$). We can define a triangular automorphism τ of $k[x, y, z, w]$ as

$$\begin{cases} \tau(x) := x, \\ \tau(y) := y, \\ \tau(z) := z + \beta(x, y), \\ \tau(w) := w + \gamma_0 + \gamma_1 z. \end{cases}$$

- ③ Given two non-zero polynomials $\alpha(x) \in k[x]$ and $\beta_0(s, t) \in k[s, t]$, we let $N(y) := y^3 - \alpha^2 y$ and let $d(x)$ be the greatest common divisor of $\alpha(x)$ and $\beta_0(x, N(y))$ in $k[x, y]$. We can express $\alpha(x)$ and $\beta_0(x, N(y))$ as $\alpha(x) = d(x) a(x)$ and $\beta_0(x, N(y)) = d(x) b_0(x, N(y))$ for some $a(x) \in k[x]$ and $b_0(s, t) \in k[s, t]$. Write $\beta_0 := \beta_0(x, N(y))$ and $b_0 := b_0(x, N(y))$. Let

$$\begin{cases} f_1 := x, \\ f_2 := y^3 - \alpha^2 y, \\ f_3 := z^3 - \beta_0(x, N(y))^2 z, \\ f_4 := az - b_0(x, N(y)) y, \end{cases}$$

and let

$$\begin{cases} g_1 := 1, \\ g_2 := y, \\ g_3 := z, \\ g_4 := ayz^2 + b_0(x, N(y)) y^2 z. \end{cases}$$

Choose arbitrary $\gamma_i \in k[f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4]$ ($1 \leq i \leq 4$). Then we can define a triangular automorphism τ of $k[x, y, z, w]$ as

$$\begin{cases} \tau(x) := x, \\ \tau(y) := y + \alpha(x), \\ \tau(z) := z + \beta_0(x, N(y)), \\ \tau(w) := w + \sum_{i=1}^4 \gamma_i \cdot g_i. \end{cases}$$

- ④ Given three polynomials $\alpha(x) \in k[x]$, $\beta_0(s, t), \beta_1(s, t) \in k[s, t]$ such that $\alpha(x) \neq 0$ and $\beta_1(s, t) \neq 0$, we let $N(y) := y^3 - \alpha^2 y$ and let $d(x)$ be the greatest common divisor of $\alpha(x)$ and $\beta_0(x, N(y)) + \beta_1(x, N(y))y$ in $k[x, y]$. We can express $\alpha(x)$ and $\beta_i(x, N(y))$ ($i = 0, 1$) as $\alpha(x) = d(x)a(x)$ and $\beta_i(x, N(y)) = d(x)b_i(x, N(y))$ for some $a(x) \in k[x]$ and $b_i(s, t) \in k[s, t]$ ($i = 0, 1$). Write $\beta_i := \beta_i(x, N(y))$ ($i = 0, 1$) and $b_i := b_i(x, N(y))$ ($i = 0, 1$). Let

$$\begin{cases} f_1 := x, \\ f_2 := y^3 - \alpha^2 y, \\ f_3 := z^3 + \alpha\beta_1 z^2 - \beta_1^2 y^2 z + (\alpha\beta_1^2 + \beta_0\beta_1)yz + (-\beta_0^2 + \alpha\beta_0\beta_1)z, \\ f_4 := az + b_1 y^2 - a\beta_1 y - b_0 y, \end{cases}$$

and let

$$\begin{cases} g_1 := 1, \\ g_2 := y, \\ g_3 := b_0\beta_1 y^2 - 2b_0 yz + 2az^2 + b_1 y^2 z, \\ g_4 := b_1 f_2 z + (a\beta_1 + b_0)y^2 z + ayz^2. \end{cases}$$

For any $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3) \in k[x, y]^{\oplus 3}$, we define a polynomial $g(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3)$ of $k[x, y, z]$ as

$$g(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3) := \lambda_1 z + \lambda_2 y^2 + \lambda_3 (yz - \beta_1 y^2).$$

Consider polynomials

$$g(\lambda_1^{(j)}, \lambda_2^{(j)}, \lambda_3^{(j)}) \quad (1 \leq j \leq r)$$

of $k[x, y, z]$, where $\{(\lambda_1^{(j)}, \lambda_2^{(j)}, \lambda_3^{(j)}) \in k[f_1, f_2]^{\oplus 3} \mid 1 \leq j \leq r\}$ is a generating set of the syzygy $k[f_1, f_2]$ -module $\text{Syz}_{k[f_1, f_2]}(b_1, -a, -b_0)$. Choose arbitrary

$\gamma_{1,i} \in k[f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4]$ ($1 \leq i \leq 4$) and $\gamma_{2,j} \in k[f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4]$ ($1 \leq j \leq r$). Then we can define a triangular automorphism τ of $k[x, y, z, w]$ as

$$\begin{cases} \tau(x) := x, \\ \tau(y) := y + \alpha(x), \\ \tau(z) := z + \beta_0(x, N(y)) + \beta_1(x, N(y))y, \\ \tau(w) := w + \sum_{i=1}^4 \gamma_{1,i} g_i + \sum_{j=1}^r \gamma_{2,j} g(\lambda_1^{(j)}, \lambda_2^{(j)}, \lambda_3^{(j)}). \end{cases}$$

The aim of this article is to prove the following theorem:

Theorem 1 *Assume that the characteristic p of k is three. Then the following assertions (1) and (2) hold true:*

- (1) *Any triangular automorphism τ of $k[x, y, z, w]$ with one of the above forms ①, ②, ③, ④ satisfies $\tau^3 = \text{id}_{k[x, y, z, w]}$.*
- (2) *For any triangular automorphism τ of $k[x, y, z, w]$ satisfying $\tau^3 = \text{id}_{k[x, y, z, w]}$, there exists an automorphism Ψ of $k[x, y, z, w]$ such that $\Psi^{-1} \circ \tau \circ \Psi$ is a triangular automorphism of $k[x, y, z, w]$ with one of the above forms ①, ②, ③, ④.*

Definitions and notations.

Let k be a field of positive characteristic p and let A be a k -algebra. For a k -algebra homomorphism $\sigma : A \rightarrow A$, we say that σ is *p -unipotent* if $\sigma^p = \text{id}_A$, where $\text{id}_A : A \rightarrow A$ denotes the identity map. Clearly, if a k -algebra homomorphism $\sigma : A \rightarrow A$ is p -unipotent, then σ is a k -algebra automorphism of A .

Let A be a k -algebra. Let $D_\sigma : A \rightarrow A$ be the map defined by $D_\sigma(a) := \sigma(a) - a$ for all $a \in A$. Clearly, D_σ is a σ -twisted k -derivation of A , i.e., D_σ is a k -linear transformation of A satisfying $D_\sigma(a_1 \cdot a_2) = D_\sigma(a_1) \cdot \sigma(a_2) + a_1 \cdot D_\sigma(a_2)$ for all $a_1, a_2 \in A$. For any $\ell \geq 1$, we denote by $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma^\ell)$ the kernel of D_σ^ℓ , i.e.,

$$\text{Ker}(D_\sigma^\ell) := \{a \in A \mid D_\sigma^\ell(a) = 0\}.$$

Clearly, $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma)$ is a k -subalgebra of A , and $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma^\ell)$ is a $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma)$ -module for any $\ell \geq 1$. If A is finitely generated as a k -algebra and $D_\sigma^p = 0$, then $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma)$ is finitely generated as a k -algebra, and each $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma^\ell)$ is finitely generated as a $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma)$ -module.

1. p -unipotent triangular automorphisms

1.1 An inductive construction of p -unipotent triangular automorphisms

We can construct p -unipotent triangular automorphisms of $k[x_1, \dots, x_n, x_{n+1}]$ from p -unipotent triangular automorphisms of $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$. We shall recall this inductive construction (see the following Lemma 2).

We denote by $U^{p,\Delta}(k[x_1, \dots, x_n])$ the set of all p -unipotent triangular automorphisms of $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$.

For any k -algebra homomorphism $\sigma : k[x_1, \dots, x_n] \rightarrow k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ and any polynomial δ of $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$, we can define a k -algebra homomorphism $E_{\sigma, \delta} : k[x_1, \dots, x_n, x_{n+1}] \rightarrow k[x_1, \dots, x_n, x_{n+1}]$ as

$$E_{\sigma, \delta}(x_i) := \begin{cases} \sigma(x_i) & \text{if } 1 \leq i \leq n, \\ x_{n+1} + \delta & \text{if } i = n+1. \end{cases}$$

Lemma 2 *Let $n \geq 1$. Then the following assertions (1) and (2) hold true:*

- (1) *Let $\sigma \in U^{p,\Delta}(k[x_1, \dots, x_n])$. Take any polynomial δ of $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma^{p-1})$. Then $E_{\sigma, \delta} \in U^{p,\Delta}(k[x_1, \dots, x_n, x_{n+1}])$.*
- (2) *Let $\tau \in U^{p,\Delta}(k[x_1, \dots, x_n, x_{n+1}])$. We can define a k -algebra homomorphism $\sigma : k[x_1, \dots, x_n] \rightarrow k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ as $\sigma(f) := \tau(f)$ for all $f \in k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$. Let $\delta := \tau(x_{n+1}) - x_{n+1} \in k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$. Then we have $\sigma \in U^{p,\Delta}(k[x_1, \dots, x_n])$, $\delta \in \text{Ker}(D_\sigma^{p-1})$ and $\tau = E_{\sigma, \delta}$.*

Proof. See [1, Lemma 3].

Q.E.D.

The following lemma implies that if two p -unipotent triangular automorphisms $\sigma_1, \sigma_2 \in U^{p,\Delta}(k[x_1, \dots, x_n])$ are conjugate to each other, i.e., $\psi^{-1} \circ \sigma_1 \circ \psi = \sigma_2$ for some k -algebra automorphism ψ of $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$, then for any $\delta \in \text{Ker}(D_{\sigma_1}^{p-1})$, the two p -unipotent triangular automorphisms $E_{\sigma_1, \delta}$ and $E_{\sigma_2, \psi^{-1}(\delta)}$ of $U^{p,\Delta}(k[x_1, \dots, x_n, x_{n+1}])$ are conjugate to each other.

Lemma 3 *Let $\sigma_i : k[x_1, \dots, x_n] \rightarrow k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ ($i = 1, 2$) be two k -algebra homomorphisms such that $\psi^{-1} \circ \sigma_1 \circ \psi = \sigma_2$ for some k -algebra automorphism ψ of $k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$. We can extend ψ to the k -algebra automorphism Ψ of $k[x_1, \dots, x_n, x_{n+1}]$ defined by*

$$\Psi(x_i) := \begin{cases} \psi(x_i) & \text{if } 1 \leq i \leq n, \\ x_{n+1} & \text{if } i = n+1. \end{cases}$$

Let $\delta \in k[x_1, \dots, x_n]$. Then the following assertions (1) and (2) hold true:

$$(1) \quad \Psi^{-1} \circ E_{\sigma_1, \delta} \circ \Psi = E_{\sigma_2, \psi^{-1}(\delta)}.$$

$$(2) \quad \text{For any } \ell \geq 1, \delta \in \text{Ker}(D_{\sigma_1}^\ell) \text{ if and only if } \psi^{-1}(\delta) \in \text{Ker}(D_{\sigma_2}^\ell).$$

Proof. The proofs of assertions (1) and (2) are straightforward. Q.E.D.

1.2 $U^{p, \Delta}(k[x, y, z])$

Any p -unipotent triangular automorphism σ of $k[x, y, z]$ has one of the following forms (I) and (II), up to conjugation of automorphisms of $k[x, y, z]$ (see [2, Theorem 2]):

$$(I) \quad \begin{cases} \sigma(x) = x, \\ \sigma(y) = y, \\ \sigma(z) = z + \beta(x, y) \quad (\beta(x, y) \in k[x, y]). \end{cases}$$

$$(II) \quad \begin{cases} \sigma(x) = x, \\ \sigma(y) = y + \alpha(x) \quad (\alpha(x) \in k[x] \setminus \{0\}), \\ \sigma(z) = z + \sum_{i=0}^{p-2} \beta_i(x, N_y) \cdot y^i \end{cases} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} N_y := y^p - \alpha(x)^{p-1}y \in k[x, y], \\ \beta_i(s, t) \in k[s, t] \text{ for all } 0 \leq i \leq p-2, \\ \beta_i(s, t) \neq 0 \text{ for some } 0 \leq i \leq p-2 \end{array} \right).$$

Clearly, any k -algebra homomorphism σ of $k[x, y, z]$ with one of the above forms (I) and (II) is a p -unipotent triangular automorphism of $k[x, y, z]$.

For any polynomial $f \in k[x, y, z]$ and any k -algebra automorphism σ of $k[x, y, z]$, we can define a polynomial $N(f)$ of $k[x, y, z]$ as

$$N(f) := \prod_{i=0}^{p-1} \sigma^i(f).$$

If σ has the form (II), we have

$$N_y = N(y).$$

2. $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma)$

From now on until the last section of this article, we assume $p = 3$ and σ is a 3-unipotent triangular automorphism of $k[x, y, z]$ with one of the forms (I) and (II).

In this section, we recall a generating set of the kernel $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma)$ of D_σ , where the map $D_\sigma : k[x, y, z] \rightarrow k[x, y, z]$ is defined as $D_\sigma(f) = \sigma(f) - f$ (see the Introduction).

If σ has the form (II), we let $\beta(x, y) := \beta_0(x, N(y)) + \beta_1(x, N(y)) \cdot y$ and let $d(x)$ be the greatest common divisor of the two polynomials $\alpha(x)$ and $\beta(x, y)$ of $k[x, y]$. Then we can express $\alpha(x)$, $\beta(x, y)$ and $\beta_i(x, y)$ ($i = 1, 2$) as

$$\begin{cases} \alpha(x) = d(x) a(x) & (a(x) \in k[x] \setminus \{0\}), \\ \beta(x, y) = d(x) b(x, y) & (b(x, y) \in k[x, y]), \\ \beta_i(x, y) = d(x) b_i(x, N(y)) & (b_i[s, t] \in k[s, t] \text{ for } i = 0, 1). \end{cases}$$

Clearly, $b(x, y) = b_0(x, N(y)) + b_1(x, N(y)) y$. For simplicity, we write $\beta_0, \beta_1, b_0, b_1$ in place of $\beta_0(x, N(y)), \beta_1(x, N(y)), b_0(x, N(y)), b_1(x, N(y))$, respectively. Now, we can define the four polynomials f_i ($1 \leq i \leq 4$) of $k[x, y, z]$ as

$$\begin{cases} f_1 := x, \\ f_2 := N(y) = y^3 - \alpha^2 y, \\ f_3 := N(z) = z^3 + \alpha\beta_1 z^2 - \beta_1^2 y^2 z + (\alpha\beta_1^2 + \beta_0\beta_1) yz + (-\beta_0^2 + \alpha\beta_0\beta_1) z, \\ f_4 := az + b_1 y^2 - a\beta_1 y - b_0 y. \end{cases}$$

Lemma 4 *The following assertions (1), (2), (3) hold true:*

(1) *If σ has the form (I) and $\beta = 0$, then*

$$\text{Ker}(D_\sigma) = k[x, y, z].$$

(2) *If σ has the form (I) and $\beta \neq 0$, the kernel $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma)$ is generated by the set $\{x, y, N(z)\}$ as a k -algebra, i.e.,*

$$\text{Ker}(D_\sigma) = k[x, y, N(z)].$$

(3) *If σ has the form (II), the kernel $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma)$ is generated by the set $\{f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4\}$ as a k -algebra, i.e.,*

$$\text{Ker}(D_\sigma) = k[f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4],$$

and $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma)$ is a hypersurface ring with the relation

$$f_4^3 + a\alpha\beta_1 f_4^2 - (a^2\beta_0^2 - a^2\alpha\beta_0\beta_1) f_4 - a^3 f_3 + 2b_1^3 f_2^2 + (b_0^3 - a^2 b_0 \beta_1^2) f_2 = 0.$$

Proof. (1) is clear.

(2) See [2, Lemma 2.8].

(3) See [2, Lemmas 4.2 and 4.6].

Q.E.D.

3. $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma^2)$

In the following theorem, by separating four cases, we give, in each case, a generating set of $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma^2)$.

Theorem 5 *Let $B := \text{Ker}(D_\sigma)$. Then the following assertions (1), (2), (3), (4) hold true:*

- (1) *If σ has the form (I) and $\beta = 0$, we have $D_\sigma = 0$ and*

$$\text{Ker}(D_\sigma^2) = \text{Ker}(D_\sigma) = B.$$

- (2) *If σ has the form (I) and $\beta \neq 0$, the kernel $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma^2)$ is generated by the set $\{1, z\}$ as a B -module, i.e.,*

$$\text{Ker}(D_\sigma^2) = B \cdot 1 + B \cdot z.$$

- (3) *If σ has the form (II) and $\beta_1(s, t) = 0$, the kernel $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma^2)$ is generated by the set $\{1, y, z, ayz^2 + by^2z\}$ as a B -module, i.e.,*

$$\text{Ker}(D_\sigma^2) = B \cdot 1 + B \cdot y + B \cdot z + B \cdot (ayz^2 + by^2z).$$

- (4) *If σ has the form (II) and $\beta_1(s, t) \neq 0$, we let g_i ($1 \leq i \leq 4$) and $g(\lambda_1^{(j)}, \lambda_2^{(j)}, \lambda_3^{(j)})$ ($1 \leq j \leq r$) be the polynomials given in ④ in the Introduction. Then the kernel $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma^2)$ is generated by the polynomials g_i ($1 \leq i \leq 4$) and $g(\lambda_1^{(j)}, \lambda_2^{(j)}, \lambda_3^{(j)})$ ($1 \leq j \leq r$) as a B -module, i.e.,*

$$\text{Ker}(D_\sigma^2) = \sum_{i=1}^4 B \cdot g_i + \sum_{j=1}^r B \cdot g(\lambda_1^{(j)}, \lambda_2^{(j)}, \lambda_3^{(j)}).$$

We remark that a generating set of $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma^2)$ is already given for the linear triangular automorphism σ of $k[x, y, z]$ defined by $\sigma(x) := x$, $\sigma(y) := y + x$, $\sigma(z) := z + y$ (see [3, Theorem 5]).

The proofs of (1) and (2) of the above Theorem 5 are clear (see [2, Lemma 2.8] for (2)). We prepare the following Section 4 for proving assertions (3) and (4) of the above Theorem 5, give in Section 5 a proof of (3) of Theorem 5, and give in Section 6 a proof of (4) of Theorem 5.

4. $D_\sigma(y^i z^j)$ and $D_\sigma^2(y^i z^j)$ ($0 \leq i, j \leq 2$), where σ is of the form (II)

Assume that σ has the form (II). In the following lemma, we express both $D_\sigma(y^i z^j)$ ($0 \leq i, j \leq 2$) and $D_\sigma^2(y^i z^j)$ ($0 \leq i, j \leq 2$).

Lemma 6 *The following assertions (1) and (2) hold true:*

(1) *We can express $D_\sigma(y^i z^j)$ ($0 \leq i, j \leq 2$) as*

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} D_\sigma(1) = 0, \\ D_\sigma(y) = \alpha, \\ D_\sigma(z) = \beta, \\ D_\sigma(y^2) = 2\alpha y + \alpha^2, \\ D_\sigma(yz) = \alpha z + \beta y + \alpha\beta, \\ D_\sigma(z^2) = 2\beta z + \beta^2, \\ D_\sigma(y^2 z) = 2\alpha y z + \beta y^2 + \alpha^2 z + 2\alpha\beta y + \alpha^2\beta, \\ D_\sigma(yz^2) = \alpha z^2 + 2\beta y z + 2\alpha\beta z + \beta^2 y + \alpha\beta^2, \\ D_\sigma(y^2 z^2) = 2\alpha y z^2 + 2\beta y^2 z + \alpha^2 z^2 + \alpha\beta y z + \beta^2 y^2 + 2\alpha^2\beta z + 2\alpha\beta^2 y + \alpha^2\beta^2. \end{array} \right.$$

(2) *We can express $D_\sigma^2(y^i z^j)$ ($0 \leq i, j \leq 2$) as*

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} D_\sigma^2(1) = 0, \\ D_\sigma^2(y) = 0, \\ D_\sigma^2(z) = \alpha\beta_1, \\ D_\sigma^2(y^2) = 2\alpha^2, \\ D_\sigma^2(yz) = 2\alpha\beta_0 + 2\alpha^2\beta_1, \\ D_\sigma^2(z^2) = -d\beta_1 f_4 + \alpha^2\beta_1^2 + \alpha\beta_0\beta_1 + 2\beta_0^2, \\ D_\sigma^2(y^2 z) = -d\alpha f_4 + \alpha^3\beta_1, \\ D_\sigma^2(yz^2) = (d\alpha\beta_1 + d\beta_0)f_4 - \beta_1^2 f_2 - \alpha^3\beta_1^2 - \alpha^2\beta_0\beta_1, \\ D_\sigma^2(y^2 z^2) = -d^2 f_4^2 - d\alpha^2\beta_1 f_4 - (\alpha\beta_1^2 + \beta_0\beta_1)f_2 + 2\alpha^2\beta_0^2 + \alpha^3\beta_0\beta_1 + \alpha^4\beta_1^2. \end{array} \right.$$

Proof. The proofs of (1) and (2) are straightforward.

Q.E.D.

5. Proof of assertion (3) of Theorem 5

Assume that σ has the form (II) and $\beta_1(s, t) = 0$. So, $\beta = \beta_0 \neq 0$, $b = b_0 \neq 0$ and $\beta, b \in k[f_1, f_2]$.

5.1 $\text{Syz}_B(D_\sigma^2(y^2), D_\sigma^2(yz), D_\sigma^2(z^2), D_\sigma^2(y^2 z), D_\sigma^2(yz^2), D_\sigma^2(y^2 z^2))$

Since $\beta_1(s, t) = 0$, we can express the polynomials f_i ($1 \leq i \leq 4$) as

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f_1 = x, \\ f_2 = y^3 - \alpha^2 y, \\ f_3 = z^3 - \beta^2 z, \\ f_4 = az - by. \end{array} \right.$$

We know that B is generated by the set $\{f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4\}$ as a k -algebra, i.e., $B = k[f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4]$, and have the relation

$$f_4^3 - a^2 b^2 d^2 f_4 - a^3 f_3 + b^3 f_2 = 0. \quad (\text{R})$$

We can express $D_\sigma^2(y^i z^j)$ ($0 \leq i, j \leq 2$) as

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} D_\sigma^2(1) &= 0, \\ D_\sigma^2(y) &= 0, \\ D_\sigma^2(z) &= 0, \\ D_\sigma^2(y^2) &= 2\alpha^2 = 2a^2 d^2, \\ D_\sigma^2(yz) &= 2\alpha\beta = 2abd^2, \\ D_\sigma^2(z^2) &= 2\beta^2 = 2b^2 d^2, \\ D_\sigma^2(y^2 z) &= -d\alpha f_4 = -ad^2 f_4, \\ D_\sigma^2(yz^2) &= d\beta f_4 = bd^2 f_4, \\ D_\sigma^2(y^2 z^2) &= 2d^2 f_4^2 + 2\alpha^2 \beta^2 = d^2(2f_4^2 + 2a^2 b^2 d^2). \end{array} \right.$$

Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Syz}_B(D_\sigma^2(y^2), D_\sigma^2(yz), D_\sigma^2(z^2), D_\sigma^2(y^2 z), D_\sigma^2(yz^2), D_\sigma^2(y^2 z^2)) \\ &= \text{Syz}_B(2a^2, 2ab, 2b^2, -af_4, bf_4, 2f_4^2 + 2a^2 b^2 d^2). \end{aligned}$$

The following lemma gives a generating set of the above syzygy B -module.

Lemma 7 *Let u_i ($1 \leq i \leq 15$) be the elements of $B^{\oplus 6}$ defined by*

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} u_1 := (-af_3 f_4 + b^2 d^2 f_4^2, 0, bf_2 f_4, 0, 0, f_4^2), \\ u_2 := (-af_3 - 2b^2 d^2 f_4, 0, bf_2, 0, 0, f_4), \\ u_3 := (abf_3 + b^3 d^2 f_4, 0, -b^2 f_2, 0, f_4^2, 0), \\ u_4 := (-a^2 f_3 - ab^2 d^2 f_4, 0, abf_2, f_4^2, 0, 0), \\ u_5 := (f_4, 0, 0, -a, 0, 0), \\ u_6 := (0, f_4, 0, -b, 0, 0), \\ u_7 := (0, 0, f_4, 0, b, 0), \\ u_8 := (0, 0, 0, b, a, 0), \\ u_9 := (-b, a, 0, 0, 0, 0), \\ u_{10} := (0, -b, a, 0, 0, 0), \\ u_{11} := (f_4^2, -2a^3 b d^2, 0, 0, 0, 2a^2), \\ u_{12} := (0, f_4^2 - 2a^2 b^2 d^2, 0, 0, 0, 2ab), \\ u_{13} := (0, -2ab^3 d^2, f_4^2, 0, 0, 2b^2), \\ u_{14} := (0, a^2 b d^2, 0, f_4, 0, -a), \\ u_{15} := (0, -ab^2 d^2, 0, 0, f_4, b). \end{array} \right.$$

Then we have

$$\text{Syz}_B(2a^2, 2ab, 2b^2, -af_4, bf_4, 2f_4^2 + 2a^2b^2d^2) = \sum_{i=1}^{15} B \cdot u_i.$$

Proof. Using the relation (R), we can prove $u_i \in \text{Syz}_B(2a^2, 2ab, 2b^2, -af_4, bf_4, 2f_4^2 + 2a^2b^2d^2)$ for all $1 \leq i \leq 15$.

Now, take any element $c = (c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4, c_5, c_6)$ of $\text{Syz}_B(2a^2, 2ab, 2b^2, -af_4, bf_4, 2f_4^2 + 2a^2b^2d^2) (\subset B^{\oplus 6})$. Since $B = \bigoplus_{\ell=0}^2 k[f_1, f_2, f_3] f_4^\ell$ is a free $k[f_1, f_2, f_3]$ -module, we can write each c_i as

$$c_i = \sum_{\ell=0}^2 c_{i,\ell} f_4^\ell \quad \text{for some } c_{i,\ell} \in k[f_1, f_2, f_3] \quad (1 \leq i \leq 6, \quad 0 \leq \ell \leq 2).$$

Let

$$\gamma := c - (c_{6,2}u_1 + c_{6,1}u_2 + c_{5,2}u_3 + c_{4,2}u_4).$$

Then γ has the following form:

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma = & (\gamma_{1,0} + \gamma_{1,1}f_4 + \gamma_{1,2}f_4^2, \gamma_{2,0} + \gamma_{2,1}f_4 + \gamma_{2,2}f_4^2, \gamma_{3,0} + \gamma_{3,1}f_4 + \gamma_{3,2}f_4^2, \\ & \gamma_{4,0} + \gamma_{4,1}f_4, \gamma_{5,0} + \gamma_{5,1}f_4, \gamma_{6,0}) \end{aligned}$$

for some $\gamma_{i,j} \in k[f_1, f_2, f_3]$

$$\left((i, j) \in \left\{ (1, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 0), (2, 1), (2, 2), (3, 0), (3, 1), (3, 2), (4, 0), (4, 1), (5, 0), (5, 1), (6, 0) \right\} \right).$$

Clearly, $\gamma \in \text{Syz}_B(2a^2, 2ab, 2b^2, -af_4, bf_4, 2f_4^2 + 2a^2b^2d^2)$. So, we have

$$\begin{cases} 2\gamma_{1,2}a^2 + 2\gamma_{2,2}ab + 2\gamma_{3,2}b^2 - \gamma_{4,1}a + \gamma_{5,1}b + 2\gamma_{6,0} = 0, \\ 2\gamma_{1,1}a^2 + 2\gamma_{2,1}ab + 2\gamma_{3,1}b^2 - \gamma_{4,0}a + \gamma_{5,0}b = 0, \\ 2\gamma_{1,0}a^2 + 2\gamma_{2,0}ab + 2\gamma_{3,0}b^2 + 2\gamma_{6,0}a^2b^2d^2 = 0. \end{cases}$$

Thus we have

$$(*) \quad \begin{cases} \gamma_{6,0} = 2\gamma_{1,2}a^2 + 2\gamma_{2,2}ab + 2\gamma_{3,2}b^2 - \gamma_{4,1}a + \gamma_{5,1}b, \\ (\gamma_{1,1}, \gamma_{2,1}, \gamma_{3,1}, \gamma_{4,0}, \gamma_{5,0}) \in \text{Syz}_{k[f_1, f_2, f_3]}(2a^2, 2ab, 2b^2, -a, b), \\ (\gamma_{1,0}, \gamma_{2,0} + \gamma_{6,0}abd^2, \gamma_{3,0}) \in \text{Syz}_{k[f_1, f_2, f_3]}(a^2, ab, b^2). \end{cases}$$

We consider the second formula of (*). Using $\text{GCD}_{k[x,y]}(a, b) = 1$, we can obtain

$$\text{Syz}_{k[f_1, f_2, f_3]}(2a^2, 2ab, 2b^2, -a, b) = \bigoplus_{i=1}^4 k[f_1, f_2, f_3] \cdot v_i,$$

where v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4 be the four elements of $k[f_1, f_2, f_3]^{\oplus 5}$ defined by

$$\begin{cases} v_1 := (1, 0, 0, -a, 0), \\ v_2 := (0, 1, 0, -b, 0), \\ v_3 := (0, 0, 1, 0, b), \\ v_4 := (0, 0, 0, b, a). \end{cases}$$

Thus, the second formula of $(*)$ implies that

$$(\gamma_{1,1}, \gamma_{2,1}, \gamma_{3,1}, \gamma_{4,0}, \gamma_{5,0}) = \sum_{i=1}^4 \mu_i \cdot v_i \quad \text{for some } \mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3, \mu_4 \in k[f_1, f_2, f_3].$$

So,

$$\begin{cases} \gamma_{1,1} = \mu_1, \\ \gamma_{2,1} = \mu_2, \\ \gamma_{3,1} = \mu_3, \\ \gamma_{4,0} = -\mu_1 a - \mu_2 b + \mu_4 b, \\ \gamma_{5,0} = \mu_3 b + \mu_4 a. \end{cases}$$

We consider the third formula of $(*)$. We can express the syzygy module $\text{Syz}_{k[f_1, f_2, f_3]}(a^2, ab, b^2)$ as

$$\text{Syz}_{k[f_1, f_2, f_3]}(a^2, ab, b^2) = \bigoplus_{i=1}^2 k[f_1, f_2, f_3] \cdot w_i,$$

where $w_1 := (-b, a, 0)$ and $w_2 := (0, -b, a)$. Thus, the third formula of $(*)$ implies that

$$(\gamma_{1,0}, \gamma_{2,0} + abd^2\gamma_{6,0}, \gamma_{3,0}) = \nu_1 w_1 + \nu_2 w_2 \quad \text{for some } \nu_1, \nu_2 \in k[f_1, f_2, f_3].$$

Thus we have

$$\begin{cases} \gamma_{1,0} = -\nu_1 b, \\ \gamma_{2,0} = \nu_1 a - \nu_2 b - \gamma_{6,0} abd^2 \\ \quad = \nu_1 a - \nu_2 b - 2\gamma_{1,2} a^3 bd^2 - 2\gamma_{2,2} a^2 b^2 d^2 - 2\gamma_{3,2} ab^3 d^2 + \gamma_{4,1} a^2 bd^2 - \gamma_{5,1} ab^2 d^2, \\ \gamma_{3,0} = \nu_2 a. \end{cases}$$

Now each component of $\gamma = (\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3, \gamma_4, \gamma_5, \gamma_6)$ can be calculated as

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \gamma_1 = \gamma_{1,0} + \gamma_{1,1}f_4 + \gamma_{1,2}f_4^2 = -\nu_1b + \mu_1f_4 + \gamma_{1,2}f_4^2, \\ \gamma_2 = \gamma_{2,0} + \gamma_{2,1}f_4 + \gamma_{2,2}f_4^2 \\ \quad = \nu_1a - \nu_2b - 2\gamma_{1,2}a^3bd^2 - 2\gamma_{2,2}a^2b^2d^2 - 2\gamma_{3,2}ab^3d^2 + \gamma_{4,1}a^2bd^2 - \gamma_{5,1}ab^2d^2 \\ \quad + \mu_2f_4 + \gamma_{2,2}f_4^2, \\ \gamma_3 = \gamma_{3,0} + \gamma_{3,1}f_4 + \gamma_{3,2}f_4^2 = \nu_2a + \mu_3f_4 + \gamma_{3,2}f_4^2, \\ \gamma_4 = \gamma_{4,0} + \gamma_{4,1}f_4 = -\mu_1a - \mu_2b + \mu_4b + \gamma_{4,1}f_4, \\ \gamma_5 = \gamma_{5,0} + \gamma_{5,1}f_4 = \mu_3b + \mu_4a + \gamma_{5,1}f_4, \\ \gamma_6 = \gamma_{6,0} = 2\gamma_{1,2}a^2 + 2\gamma_{2,2}ab + 2\gamma_{3,2}b^2 - \gamma_{4,1}a + \gamma_{5,1}b. \end{array} \right.$$

The above equalities imply

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &= \mu_1u_5 + \mu_2u_6 + \mu_3u_7 + \mu_4u_8 + \nu_1u_9 + \nu_2u_{10} \\ &\quad + \gamma_{1,2}u_{11} + \gamma_{2,2}u_{12} + \gamma_{3,2}u_{13} + \gamma_{4,1}u_{14} + \gamma_{5,1}u_{15}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have

$$c \in \sum_{i=1}^{15} B \cdot u_i.$$

Q.E.D.

5.2 Proof of assertion (3) of Theorem 5

Let $\Phi = (\Phi_i)_{1 \leq i \leq 6}$ be the element of $A^{\oplus 6}$ defined by

$$\Phi := (y^2, yz, z^2, y^2z, yz^2, y^2z^2).$$

For any $\omega = (\omega_i)_{1 \leq i \leq 6} \in B^{\oplus 6}$, we define the element $\omega \cdot \Phi$ of A as

$$\omega \cdot \Phi := \sum_{i=1}^6 \omega_i \Phi_i.$$

The kernel $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma^2)$ is generated by the set $\{1, y, z\} \cup \{u_i \cdot \Phi \mid 1 \leq i \leq 15\}$ as a B -module. We can calculate $u_i \cdot \Phi$ ($1 \leq i \leq 15$), as follows:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} u_1 \cdot \Phi = (b^2 \beta^2 f_2 - a \alpha^2 b f_3 - \alpha^2 b \beta^2 f_4) \cdot y, \\ u_2 \cdot \Phi = -b^3 d^2 f_2 - \alpha^2 \beta^3 d^2 \cdot y - \alpha \beta \cdot (a y z^2 + b y^2 z), \\ u_3 \cdot \Phi = -b^4 d^2 f_2 - (\alpha^2 b^4 d^2 - a f_3 f_4) \cdot y - a \beta^2 \cdot (a y z^2 + b y^2 z), \\ u_4 \cdot \Phi = a b^3 d^2 f_2 + a \alpha^2 b^3 d^2 \cdot y - b f_2 f_4 \cdot z + \alpha^2 b \cdot (a y z^2 + b y^2 z), \\ u_5 \cdot \Phi = -b f_2 - \alpha^2 b \cdot y, \\ u_6 \cdot \Phi = a y z^2 + b y^2 z, \\ u_7 \cdot \Phi = a f_3 + a \beta^2 \cdot z, \\ u_8 \cdot \Phi = a y z^2 + b y^2 z, \\ u_9 \cdot \Phi = f_4 \cdot y, \\ u_{10} \cdot \Phi = f_4 \cdot z, \\ u_{11} \cdot \Phi = (b^2 f_2 - \alpha^2 b f_4) \cdot y - 2 a b f_2 \cdot z, \\ u_{12} \cdot \Phi = a^2 f_3 \cdot y + b^2 f_2 \cdot z, \\ u_{13} \cdot \Phi = -2 a b f_3 \cdot y + (a \beta^2 f_4 + a^2 f_3) \cdot z, \\ u_{14} \cdot \Phi = -b f_2 \cdot z, \\ u_{15} \cdot \Phi = a f_3 \cdot y. \end{array} \right.$$

Hence $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma^2)$ is generated by the set $\{1, y, z, a y z^2 + b y^2 z\}$ as a B -module. This completes the proof of assertion (3) of Theorem 5.

6. Proof of assertion (4) of Theorem 5

Assume that σ has the form (II) and $\beta_1(s, t) \neq 0$.

6.1 A generating set $\{\varphi_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq 9\}$ of $k[x, y, z]$ as a B -module

We know that $B = \text{Ker}(D_\sigma)$ is generated by f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4 (see Lemma 4). So, a generating set of $k[x, y, z]$ as a B -module is given by $\{y^i z^j \mid 0 \leq i \leq 2, 0 \leq j \leq 2\}$. Thus, the following subset $\{\varphi_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq 9\}$ of $k[x, y, z]$ becomes a generating set of $k[x, y, z]$ as a B -module:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \varphi_1 := 1, \\ \varphi_2 := y, \\ \varphi_3 := z, \\ \varphi_4 := y^2, \\ \varphi_5 := yz - \beta_1 y^2, \\ \varphi_6 := z^2 - 2\beta_1 yz, \\ \varphi_7 := y^2 z - \alpha^2 z, \\ \varphi_8 := yz^2 + \beta_1 y^2 z + \alpha \beta_0 z, \\ \varphi_9 := y^2 z^2 - \alpha \beta_1 y^2 z - \beta_0^2 y^2 - \alpha^2 \beta_0 z + \beta_1 f_2 z. \end{array} \right.$$

Using Lemma 6, we have

$$\begin{cases} D_\sigma^2(\varphi_1) = 0, \\ D_\sigma^2(\varphi_2) = 0, \\ D_\sigma^2(\varphi_3) = \alpha\beta_1, \\ D_\sigma^2(\varphi_4) = 2\alpha^2, \\ D_\sigma^2(\varphi_5) = 2\alpha\beta_0, \\ D_\sigma^2(\varphi_6) = -d\beta_1f_4 + 2\beta_0^2, \\ D_\sigma^2(\varphi_7) = -d\alpha f_4, \\ D_\sigma^2(\varphi_8) = d\beta_0f_4 - \beta_1^2f_2, \\ D_\sigma^2(\varphi_9) = -d^2f_4^2 - \beta_0\beta_1f_2. \end{cases}$$

6.2 $\text{Syz}_B(D_\sigma^2(\varphi_3), D_\sigma^2(\varphi_4), D_\sigma^2(\varphi_5), D_\sigma^2(\varphi_6), D_\sigma^2(\varphi_7), D_\sigma^2(\varphi_8), D_\sigma^2(\varphi_9))$

Let S be the syzygy B -module of the polynomials $D_\sigma^2(\varphi_i)$ ($3 \leq i \leq 9$), i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} S &:= \text{Syz}_B(D_\sigma^2(\varphi_3), D_\sigma^2(\varphi_4), D_\sigma^2(\varphi_5), D_\sigma^2(\varphi_6), D_\sigma^2(\varphi_7), D_\sigma^2(\varphi_8), D_\sigma^2(\varphi_9)) \\ &= \text{Syz}_B(\alpha\beta_1, 2\alpha^2, 2\alpha\beta_0, -d\beta_1f_4 + 2\beta_0^2, -d\alpha f_4, d\beta_0f_4 - \beta_1^2f_2, \\ &\quad -d^2f_4^2 - \beta_0\beta_1f_2). \end{aligned}$$

The following lemma gives a generating set of S as a B -module.

Lemma 8 *Let u_i ($1 \leq i \leq 16$) be the elements of $B^{\oplus 7}$ defined by*

$$\begin{aligned} u_1 &:= (-d\alpha f_4^3 - \alpha^2\beta_0f_4^2 + \alpha b_0\beta_1f_2f_4, \quad -\beta_0^2f_4^2 - \alpha f_3f_4, \quad 0, \\ &\quad b_0f_2f_4, \quad 0, \quad -b_1f_2f_4, \quad f_4^2), \\ u_2 &:= (-d\alpha f_4^2 - \alpha^2\beta_0f_4 + \alpha b_0\beta_1f_2, \quad -\beta_0^2f_4 - \alpha f_3, \quad 0, \\ &\quad b_0f_2, \quad 0, \quad -b_1f_2, \quad f_4), \\ u_3 &:= (\alpha\beta_0f_4^2 + \alpha\alpha\beta_0^2f_4 - \alpha b_0\beta_0\beta_1f_2, \quad -2b_0\beta_0^2f_4 - 2\alpha b_0f_3, \quad 0, \\ &\quad -b_1f_2f_4 - b_0^2f_2, \quad 0, \quad f_4^2 - 2b_0b_1f_2, \quad 0), \\ u_4 &:= (-2b_1^2f_2^2, \quad \alpha\beta_1f_4^2 - \alpha\beta_0^2f_4 + \alpha\alpha\beta_0\beta_1f_4 - \alpha^2f_3 - \alpha b_0\beta_1^2f_2, \quad -2b_0^2f_2, \\ &\quad 0, \quad f_4^2, \quad 0, \quad 0), \\ u_5 &:= (-\alpha\beta_1f_4^2 + \alpha\beta_0^2f_4 - \alpha\alpha\beta_0\beta_1f_4 + \alpha^2f_3 + \alpha b_0\beta_1^2f_2, \quad 0, \quad 0, \\ &\quad f_4^2 - 2b_0b_1f_2, \quad 0, \quad 2b_1^2f_2 + b_0f_4, \quad 0), \\ u_6 &:= (f_4, \quad 0, \quad -b_0, \quad \alpha, \quad 0, \quad 0, \quad 0), \\ u_7 &:= (f_4^2, \quad 0, \quad 2b_1^2f_2, \quad 0, \quad 0, \quad 0, \quad \alpha b_1), \\ u_8 &:= (0, \quad f_4, \quad 0, \quad 0, \quad 2\alpha, \quad 0, \quad 0), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
u_9 &:= (0, f_4^2, ab_1f_2, 0, 0, 0, 2a^2), \\
u_{10} &:= (0, 0, f_4, 0, 2b_0, 0, 0), \\
u_{11} &:= (0, 0, f_4^2 + b_0b_1f_2, 0, 0, 0, 2ab_0), \\
u_{12} &:= (0, 0, 0, f_4, 0, -2b_0, -b_1), \\
u_{13} &:= (0, 0, b_1f_2, 0, f_4, 0, -a), \\
u_{14} &:= (0, 0, 0, -b_1f_2, 0, f_4, b_0), \\
u_{15} &:= (b_1f_2, 0, 0, 0, b_0, a, 0), \\
u_{16} &:= (0, 0, b_0, -a, b_1, 0, 0).
\end{aligned}$$

Let $\{(\lambda_1^{(j)}, \lambda_2^{(j)}, \lambda_3^{(j)}) \in k[f_1, f_2]^{\oplus 3} \mid 1 \leq j \leq r\}$ be a generating set of the syzygy $k[f_1, f_2]$ -module $\text{Syz}_{k[f_1, f_2]}(b_1, -a, -b_0)$. Then we have

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^{16} B \cdot u_i + \sum_{j=1}^r B \cdot (\lambda_1^{(j)}, \lambda_2^{(j)}, \lambda_3^{(j)}, 0, 0, 0, 0).$$

Proof. Using the relation given in assertion (3) of Lemma 4, we can prove $u_i \in S$ for all $1 \leq i \leq 16$. Clearly, $(\lambda_1^{(j)}, \lambda_2^{(j)}, \lambda_3^{(j)}, 0, 0, 0, 0) \in S$ for all $1 \leq j \leq r$.

Take any element $c = (c_i)_{1 \leq i \leq 7}$ of S . We can write each component c_i as

$$c_i = \sum_{\ell=0}^2 c_{i,\ell} f_4^\ell \quad \text{for some } c_{i,\ell} \in k[f_1, f_2, f_3] \quad (1 \leq i \leq 7, 0 \leq \ell \leq 2).$$

Let

$$\gamma := c - (c_{7,2}u_1 + c_{7,1}u_2 + c_{6,2}u_3 + c_{5,2}u_4 + c_{4,2}u_5).$$

Then γ has the following form:

$$\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_{1,0} + \gamma_{1,1}f_4 + \gamma_{1,2}f_4^2, & \gamma_{2,0} + \gamma_{2,1}f_4 + \gamma_{2,2}f_4^2, & \gamma_{3,0} + \gamma_{3,1}f_4 + \gamma_{3,2}f_4^2, \\ \gamma_{4,0} + \gamma_{4,1}f_4, & \gamma_{5,0} + \gamma_{5,1}f_4, & \gamma_{6,0} + \gamma_{6,1}f_4, & \gamma_{7,0} \end{pmatrix}$$

for some $\gamma_{i,j} \in k[f_1, f_2, f_3]$

$$\left((i, j) \in \left\{ (1, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 0), (2, 1), (2, 2), (3, 0), (3, 1), (3, 2), (4, 0), (4, 1), (5, 0), (5, 1), (6, 0), (6, 1), (7, 0) \right\} \right).$$

Since γ is an element of the syzygy module S , we can obtain

$$(*) \quad \begin{cases} -\gamma_{7,0}\beta_0\beta_1f_2 - \gamma_{6,0}\beta_1^2f_2 + 2\gamma_{4,0}\beta_0^2 + 2\gamma_{3,0}\alpha\beta_0 + 2\gamma_{2,0}\alpha^2 + \gamma_{1,0}\alpha\beta_1 = 0, \\ -\gamma_{7,0}d^2 + \gamma_{6,1}d\beta_0 - \gamma_{5,1}d\alpha - \gamma_{4,1}d\beta_1 + 2\gamma_{3,2}\alpha\beta_0 + 2\gamma_{2,2}\alpha^2 + \gamma_{1,2}\alpha\beta_1 = 0, \\ \gamma_{6,0}d\beta_0 - \gamma_{6,1}\beta_1^2f_2 - \gamma_{5,0}d\alpha - \gamma_{4,0}d\beta_1 + 2\gamma_{4,1}\beta_0^2 + 2\gamma_{3,1}\alpha\beta_0 \\ \quad + 2\gamma_{2,1}\alpha^2 + \gamma_{1,1}\alpha\beta_1 = 0. \end{cases}$$

From the second equality of $(*)$, we have

$$\gamma_{7,0} = \gamma_{6,1}b_0 - \gamma_{5,1}a - \gamma_{4,1}b_1 + 2\gamma_{3,2}ab_0 + 2\gamma_{2,2}a^2 + \gamma_{1,2}ab_1.$$

Let

$$\begin{aligned} \delta := \gamma - (\gamma_{1,1}u_6 + \gamma_{1,2}u_7 + \gamma_{2,1}u_8 + \gamma_{2,2}u_9 + \gamma_{3,1}u_{10} + \gamma_{3,2}u_{11} \\ + \gamma_{4,1}u_{12} + \gamma_{5,1}u_{13} + \gamma_{6,1}u_{14}). \end{aligned}$$

We can express the i -th compotents of $\delta = (\delta_i)_{1 \leq i \leq 7}$ as

$$\begin{cases} \delta_1 = \gamma_{1,0}, \\ \delta_2 = \gamma_{2,0}, \\ \delta_3 = \gamma_{3,0} + \gamma_{1,1}b_0 - 2\gamma_{1,2}b_1^2f_2 - \gamma_{2,2}ab_1f_2 - \gamma_{3,2}b_0b_1f_2 - \gamma_{5,1}b_1f_2, \\ \delta_4 = \gamma_{4,0} - \gamma_{1,1}a + \gamma_{6,1}b_1f_2, \\ \delta_5 = \gamma_{5,0} - 2\gamma_{2,1}a - 2\gamma_{3,1}b_0, \\ \delta_6 = \gamma_{6,0} + 2\gamma_{4,1}b_0, \\ \delta_7 = \gamma_{7,0} - (\gamma_{1,2}ab_1 + 2\gamma_{2,2}a^2 + 2\gamma_{3,2}ab_0 - \gamma_{4,1}b_1 - \gamma_{5,1}a + \gamma_{6,1}b_0). \end{cases}$$

Thus $\delta_i \in k[f_1, f_2, f_2]$ for all $1 \leq i \leq 6$ and $\delta_7 = 0$. Since $\delta \in S$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_1 \cdot (\alpha\beta_1) + \delta_2 \cdot (2\alpha^2) + \delta_3 \cdot (2\alpha\beta_0) \\ + \delta_4 \cdot (-d\beta_1f_4 + 2\beta_0^2) + \delta_5 \cdot (-d\alpha f_4) + \delta_6 \cdot (d\beta_0f_4 - \beta_1^2f_2) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$\begin{cases} b_0\delta_6 - b_1\delta_4 = a\delta_5, \\ -b_1^2f_2\delta_6 + 2b_0^2\delta_4 = -2ab_0\delta_3 - 2a^2\delta_2 - ab_1\delta_1. \end{cases}$$

Using the above equalities, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (-b_0^3 - b_1^3f_2)\delta_6 &= -b_0^2(b_0\delta_6 - b_1\delta_4) + b_1(-b_1^2f_2\delta_6 + 2b_0^2\delta_4) \\ &= -ab_0^2\delta_5 - 2ab_0b_1\delta_3 - 2a^2b_1\delta_2 - ab_1^2\delta_1. \end{aligned}$$

Recall $f_2 = y^3 - \alpha^2y$. Since

$$\text{GCD}_{k[x,y]}(b_0^3 + b_1^3f_2, a) = \text{GCD}_{k[x,y]}((b_0 + b_1y)^3, a) = 1,$$

we have

$$\delta_6 = a \cdot \delta_6^b \quad \text{for some} \quad \delta_6^b \in k[f_1, f_2, f_3].$$

Let

$$\varepsilon := \delta - \delta_6^b u_{15}$$

and write $\varepsilon = (\varepsilon_i)_{1 \leq i \leq 7}$. We have $\varepsilon_i \in k[f_1, f_2, f_3]$ for all $1 \leq i \leq 5$ and $\varepsilon_6 = \varepsilon_7 = 0$. Since $\varepsilon \in S$, we have

$$(**) \quad \begin{cases} -b_1 \varepsilon_4 = a \varepsilon_5, \\ 2b_0^2 \varepsilon_4 = -2ab_0 \varepsilon_3 - 2a^2 \varepsilon_2 - ab_1 \varepsilon_1. \end{cases}$$

Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} (b_1^3 f_2 + b_0^3) \varepsilon_4 &= (-b_1^2 f_2)(-b_1 \varepsilon_4) + 2b_0(2b_0^2 \varepsilon_4) \\ &= -ab_1^2 f_2 \varepsilon_5 - ab_0^2 \varepsilon_3 - a^2 b_0 \varepsilon_2 - 2ab_0 b_1 \varepsilon_1, \end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$\varepsilon_4 = a \cdot \varepsilon_4^b \quad \text{for some} \quad \varepsilon_4^b \in k[f_1, f_2, f_3].$$

By (**), we have $\varepsilon_5 = -b_1 \varepsilon_4^b$. Let

$$\phi := \varepsilon + \varepsilon_4^b u_{16}$$

and write $\phi = (\phi_i)_{1 \leq i \leq 7}$. Then we have $\phi_i \in k[f_1, f_2, f_3]$ for all $1 \leq i \leq 3$ and $\phi_j = 0$ for all $4 \leq j \leq 7$, and thereby have

$$(\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3) \in \text{Syz}_{k[f_1, f_2, f_3]}(b_1, 2a, 2b_0).$$

Hence

$$\phi = (\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3, 0, 0, 0, 0) \in \sum_{j=1}^r k[f_1, f_2, f_3] \cdot (\lambda_1^{(j)}, \lambda_2^{(j)}, \lambda_3^{(j)}, 0, 0, 0, 0),$$

which implies $c \in S$, as desired.

Q.E.D.

6.3 Proof of assertion (4) of Theorem 5

Let Φ be the element of $k[x, y, z]^{\oplus 7}$ defined by

$$\Phi := (\varphi_3, \varphi_4, \varphi_5, \varphi_6, \varphi_7, \varphi_8, \varphi_9).$$

For any $\omega = (\omega_i)_{1 \leq i \leq 7} \in B^{\oplus 7}$, we define the element $\omega \cdot \Phi$ of A as

$$\omega \cdot \Phi := \sum_{i=1}^7 \omega_i \varphi_{i+2}.$$

We have

$$\text{Ker}(D_\sigma^2) = \sum_{i=1}^{16} B \cdot (u_i \cdot \Phi) + \sum_{j=1}^r B \cdot g(\lambda_1^{(j)}, \lambda_2^{(j)}, \lambda_3^{(j)}).$$

Let

$$M := \sum_{i=1}^4 B \cdot g_i + \sum_{j=1}^r B \cdot g(\lambda_1^{(j)}, \lambda_2^{(j)}, \lambda_3^{(j)}).$$

Clearly, $D_\sigma^2(g_i) = 0$ for all $1 \leq i \leq 4$. In order to prove $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma^2) \subset M$, we have only to show $u_i \cdot \Phi \in M$ for all $1 \leq i \leq 16$.

We can express $u_{16} \cdot \Phi$, $u_{15} \cdot \Phi$, $u_{14} \cdot \Phi$ as

$$\begin{aligned} u_{16} \cdot \Phi &= g_3 + g(-\alpha^2 b_1, -2b_0 \beta_1 + 2a\beta_1^2, 2a\beta_1), \\ u_{15} \cdot \Phi &= g_4. \\ u_{14} \cdot \Phi &= af_3 \cdot y - \alpha\beta_0 \cdot g_3 + \beta_0 \cdot g(-\alpha^2 b_0, -\alpha b_0 \beta_1 - b_0 \beta_0, -2\alpha b_0). \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} (-\alpha^2 b_1, -2b_0 \beta_1 + 2a\beta_1^2, 2a\beta_1) &\in \text{Syz}_{k[f_1, f_2]}(b_1, -a, -b_0), \\ (-\alpha^2 b_0, -\alpha b_0 \beta_1 - b_0 \beta_0, -2\alpha b_0) &\in \text{Syz}_{k[f_1, f_2]}(b_1, -a, -b_0), \end{aligned}$$

we have $u_i \cdot \Phi \in M$ for all $i = 16, 15, 14$.

Let

$$h := (-f_4 \alpha^2 + a \alpha^2 \beta_0)z + a \beta_0^2 y^2 + b_1 f_2 yz + (f_4 + a \alpha \beta_1) y^2 z - a y^2 z^2.$$

We can deform h as

$$h = \alpha^2 \cdot g_3 + g(\eta_1, \eta_2, \eta_3),$$

where

$$\begin{cases} \eta_1 := a \alpha^2 \beta_0 - a \beta_1 f_2 - b_0 f_2, \\ \eta_2 := \alpha^2 b_0 \beta_1 + a \beta_0^2 + 2b_1 \beta_1 f_2, \\ \eta_3 := 2b_1 f_2 + 2\alpha^2 b_0. \end{cases}$$

Since $(\eta_1, \eta_2, \eta_3) \in \text{Syz}_{k[f_1, f_2]}(b_1, -a, -b_0)$, we have $h \in M$.

Since

$$u_{13} \cdot \Phi = h + g(-a\beta_1 f_2, -b_1 \beta_1 f_2, 0),$$

we have $u_{13} \cdot \Phi \in M$.

We can deform $u_{12} \cdot \Phi$ as

$$u_{12} \cdot \Phi = f_4 \varphi_6 - 2b_0 \varphi_8 - b_1 \varphi_9$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= az^3 - 2\alpha b_0\beta_0z + \beta_0^2b_1y^2 + \alpha^2\beta_0b_1z + \alpha^2b_1\beta_1yz \\
&= a \cdot (f_3 - \alpha\beta_1z^2 + \beta_1^2y^2z - (\alpha\beta_1^2 + \beta_0\beta_1)yz - (-\beta_0^2 + \alpha\beta_0\beta_1)z) \\
&\quad - 2\alpha b_0\beta_0z + \beta_0^2b_1y^2 + \alpha^2\beta_0b_1z + \alpha^2b_1\beta_1yz \\
&= af_3 - a\alpha\beta_1z^2 + a\beta_1^2y^2z - a\beta_0\beta_1yz - a\beta_0^2z + \beta_0^2b_1y^2 \\
&= af_3 - a\alpha\beta_1z^2 + d^2ab_1(g_3 - b_0\beta_1y^2 + 2b_0yz - 2az^2) \\
&\quad - a\beta_0\beta_1yz - a\beta_0^2z + \beta_0^2b_1y^2 \\
&= af_3 + d^2ab_1g_3 - a\beta_0^2z - (a\beta_0\beta_1^2 - \beta_0^2b_1)y^2 + a\beta_0\beta_1yz \\
&= af_3 + \alpha\beta_1g_3 + g(-a\beta_0^2, b_0\beta_0\beta_1, a\beta_0\beta_1).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus $u_{12} \cdot \Phi \in M$.

Let

$$H := \alpha^2b_0z - \beta_1f_4y^2 + f_4yz - b_0y^2z.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
H &= \alpha^2b_0z - (az + b_1y^2 - a\beta_1y - b_0y)\beta_1y^2 + (az + b_1y^2 - a\beta_1y - b_0y)yz - b_0y^2z \\
&= \alpha^2b_0z - 2a\beta_1y^2z - b_1\beta_1y^4 + a\beta_1^2y^3 + b_0\beta_1y^3 + ayz^2 + b_1y^3z - 2b_0y^2z \\
&= \alpha^2b_0z - 2a\beta_1y^2z - b_1\beta_1y(f_2 + \alpha^2y) + a\beta_1^2(f_2 + \alpha^2y) + b_0\beta_1(f_2 + \alpha^2y) \\
&\quad + ayz^2 + b_1z(f_2 + \alpha^2y) + b_0y^2z \\
&= g_4 - b_1f_2z + \alpha^2b_0z - b_1\beta_1y(f_2 + \alpha^2y) + a\beta_1^2(f_2 + \alpha^2y) + b_0\beta_1(f_2 + \alpha^2y) \\
&\quad + b_1z(f_2 + \alpha^2y) \\
&= (a\beta_1^2f_2 + b_0\beta_1f_2) + (-b_1\beta_1f_2 + a\alpha^2\beta_1^2 + \alpha^2b_0\beta_1) \cdot y + g_4 \\
&\quad + g(\alpha^2b_0, 0, \alpha^2b_1).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus $H \in M$.

We can deform $u_{11} \cdot \Phi$ as

$$\begin{aligned}
u_{11} \cdot \Phi &= (f_4^2 + b_0b_1f_2)\varphi_5 + 2ab_0\varphi_9 \\
&= f_4^2yz - f_4^2\beta_1y^2 + b_0b_1f_2yz - b_0b_1\beta_1f_2y^2 + 2ab_0y^2z^2 - 2a\alpha b_0\beta_1y^2z \\
&\quad - 2ab_0\beta_0^2y^2 - 2a\alpha^2b_0\beta_0z + 2ab_0\beta_1f_2z \\
&= f_4^2yz - f_4^2\beta_1y^2 \\
&\quad + b_0 \cdot (h - (-f_4\alpha^2 + a\alpha^2\beta_0)z - a\beta_0^2y^2 - (f_4 + a\alpha\beta_1)y^2z + ay^2z^2) \\
&\quad - b_0b_1\beta_1f_2y^2 + 2ab_0y^2z^2 - 2a\alpha b_0\beta_1y^2z - 2ab_0\beta_0^2y^2 - 2a\alpha^2b_0\beta_0z \\
&\quad + 2ab_0\beta_1f_2z \\
&= b_0h + f_4 \cdot (\alpha^2b_0z - f_4\beta_1y^2 + f_4yz - b_0y^2z) + g(2ab_0\beta_1f_2, -b_0b_1\beta_1f_2, 0) \\
&= b_0h + f_4H + g(2ab_0\beta_1f_2, -b_0b_1\beta_1f_2, 0) \\
&= b_0h + (a\beta_1^2f_2f_4 + b_0\beta_1f_2f_4) + (-b_1\beta_1f_2f_4 + a\alpha^2\beta_1^2f_4 + \alpha^2b_0\beta_1f_4) \cdot y \\
&\quad + f_4 \cdot g_4 + f_4 \cdot g(\alpha^2b_0, 0, \alpha^2b_1) + g(2ab_0\beta_1f_2, -b_0b_1\beta_1f_2, 0).
\end{aligned}$$

We have

$$u_{10} \cdot \Phi = f_4\varphi_5 + 2b_0\varphi_7 = \alpha^2 b_0 z - \beta_1 f_4 y^2 + f_4 y z - b_0 y^2 z = H,$$

which implies $u_{10} \cdot \Phi \in M$.

We can deform $u_9 \cdot \Phi$ as

$$\begin{aligned} u_9 \cdot \Phi &= f_4^2 \varphi_4 + ab_1 f_2 \varphi_5 + 2a^2 \varphi_9 \\ &= f_4^2 y^2 + ab_1 f_2 y z - ab_1 \beta_1 f_2 y^2 \\ &\quad + 2a^2 y^2 z^2 - 2a^2 \alpha \beta_1 y^2 z - 2a^2 \beta_0^2 y^2 - 2a^2 \alpha^2 \beta_0 z + 2a^2 \beta_1 f_2 z \\ &= f_4^2 y^2 + a(h - (-f_4 \alpha^2 + a \alpha^2 \beta_0)z - a \beta_0^2 y^2 - (f_4 + a \alpha \beta_1) y^2 z + a y^2 z^2) \\ &\quad - ab_1 \beta_1 f_2 y^2 + 2a^2 y^2 z^2 - 2a^2 \alpha \beta_1 y^2 z - 2a^2 \beta_0^2 y^2 - 2a^2 \alpha^2 \beta_0 z + 2a^2 \beta_1 f_2 z \\ &= ah + f_4(f_4 y^2 + a \alpha^2 z - a y^2 z) + g(2a^2 \beta_1 f_2, -ab_1 \beta_1 f_2, 0). \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} f_4 y^2 + a \alpha^2 z - a y^2 z &= (az + b_1 y^2 - a \beta_1 y - b_0 y) y^2 + a \alpha^2 z - a y^2 z \\ &= b_1 y^4 - a \beta_1 y^3 - b_0 y^3 + a \alpha^2 z \\ &= b_1 y(f_2 + \alpha^2 y) - a \beta_1(f_2 + \alpha^2 y) - b_0(f_2 + \alpha^2 y) + a \alpha^2 z \\ &= \alpha^2 f_4 + b_1 f_2 y - a \beta_1 f_2 - b_0 f_2, \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} u_9 \cdot \Phi &= ah + (\alpha^2 f_4^2 - a \beta_1 f_2 f_4 - b_0 f_2 f_4) + b_1 f_2 f_4 \cdot y \\ &\quad + g(2a^2 \beta_1 f_2, -ab_1 \beta_1 f_2, 0). \end{aligned}$$

Thus $u_9 \cdot \Phi \in M$.

We can deform $u_8 \cdot \Phi$ as

$$\begin{aligned} u_8 \cdot \Phi &= f_4 \varphi_4 + 2a \varphi_7 \\ &= b_1 y^4 - a \beta_1 y^3 - b_0 y^3 - 2a \alpha^2 z \\ &= b_1 y(f_2 + \alpha^2 y) - a \beta_1(f_2 + \alpha^2 y) - b_0(f_2 + \alpha^2 y) - 2a \alpha^2 z \\ &= -(a \beta_1 f_2 + b_0 f_2) + (b_1 f_2 - a \alpha^2 \beta_1 - \alpha^2 b_0) \cdot y + \alpha^2 \cdot g(a, b_1, 0). \end{aligned}$$

Thus $u_8 \cdot \Phi \in M$.

We can deform $u_7 \cdot \Phi$ as

$$\begin{aligned} u_7 \cdot \Phi &= f_4^2 \varphi_3 + 2b_1^2 f_2 \varphi_5 + ab_1 \varphi_9 \\ &= f_4^2 z + 2b_1^2 f_2 y z - 2b_1^2 \beta_1 f_2 y^2 + ab_1 y^2 z^2 - a \alpha b_1 \beta_1 y^2 z - a \beta_0^2 b_1 y^2 \\ &\quad - a \alpha^2 \beta_0 b_1 z + ab_1 \beta_1 f_2 z \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= f_4^2 - b_1(h - (-f_4\alpha^2 + a\alpha^2\beta_0)z - a\beta_0^2y^2 - (f_4 + a\alpha\beta_1)y^2z + ay^2z^2) \\
&\quad - 2b_1^2\beta_1f_2y^2 + ab_1y^2z^2 - a\alpha b_1\beta_1y^2z - a\beta_0^2b_1y^2 \\
&\quad - a\alpha^2\beta_0b_1z + ab_1\beta_1f_2z \\
&= -b_1h + f_4(f_4z - \alpha^2b_1z + b_1y^2z) + g(ab_1\beta_1f_2, -2b_1^2\beta_1f_2, 0).
\end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned}
&f_4z - \alpha^2b_1z + b_1y^2z \\
&= (az + b_1y^2 - a\beta_1y - b_0y)z - \alpha^2b_1z + b_1y^2z \\
&= az^2 + 2b_1y^2z - a\beta_1yz + b_0yz - \alpha^2b_1z \\
&= az^2 + 2(g_3 - b_0\beta_1y^2 + 2b_0yz - 2az^2) - a\beta_1yz + b_0yz - \alpha^2b_1z \\
&= -a\beta_1yz - \alpha^2b_1z - g_3 + b_0\beta_1y^2 \\
&= -g_3 + g(-\alpha^2b_1, -a\beta_1^2 + b_0\beta_1, -a\beta_1),
\end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
u_7 \cdot \Phi &= -b_1h - f_4 \cdot g_3 + f_4 \cdot g(-\alpha^2b_1, -a\beta_1^2 + b_0\beta_1, -a\beta_1) \\
&\quad + g(ab_1\beta_1f_2, -2b_1^2\beta_1f_2, 0).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus $u_7 \cdot \Phi \in M$.

We have

$$u_6 \cdot \Phi = f_4\varphi_3 - b_0\varphi_5 + a\varphi_6 = g_3,$$

which implies $u_6 \cdot \Phi \in M$.

For proving $u_2 \cdot \Phi \in M$, it is enough to show $(u_2 + \alpha^2\beta_0u_6 + d\alpha u_7 + \beta_0^2u_8) \cdot \Phi \in M$ (since we already know $u_i \cdot \Phi \in M$ for all $i = 6, 7, 8$). Note that

$$\begin{aligned}
&u_2 + \alpha^2\beta_0u_6 + d\alpha u_7 + \beta_0^2u_8 \\
&= (\alpha b_0\beta_1f_2, -af_3, -\alpha^2b_0\beta_0 + 2d\alpha b_1^2f_2, b_0f_2 + a\alpha^2\beta_0, \\
&\quad 2a\beta_0^2, -b_1f_2, f_4 + \alpha^2b_1).
\end{aligned}$$

So, letting

$$\begin{aligned}
A &:= -af_3y^2 + (-\alpha^2b_0\beta_0 + 2d\alpha b_1^2f_2)(yz - \beta_1y^2) \\
&\quad + (b_0f_2 + a\alpha^2\beta_0)(z^2 - 2\beta_1yz) \\
&\quad + 2a\beta_0^2(y^2z - \alpha^2z) \\
&\quad - b_1f_2(yz^2 + \beta_1y^2z), \\
B &:= (f_4 + \alpha^2b_1)(y^2z^2 - \alpha\beta_1y^2z - \beta_0^2y^2 - \alpha^2\beta_0z + \beta_1f_2z),
\end{aligned}$$

we have

$$(u_2 + \alpha^2 \beta_0 u_6 + d\alpha u_7 + \beta_0^2 u_8) \cdot \Phi = A + B.$$

Since $f_3 = z^3 + \alpha \beta_1 z^2 - \beta_1^2 y^2 z + (\alpha \beta_1^2 + \beta_0 \beta_1) yz + (-\beta_0^2 + \alpha \beta_0 \beta_1) z$, we can deform A as

$$\begin{aligned} A = & -ay^2 z^3 - a\alpha \beta_1 y^2 z^2 - b_1 f_2 yz^2 + (a\alpha^2 \beta_1^2 - a\alpha \beta_0 \beta_1 - b_1 \beta_1 f_2) y^2 z \\ & + (b_0 f_2 + a\alpha^2 \beta_0) z^2 \\ & + (a\beta_1^2 f_2 - a\alpha^2 (\alpha \beta_1^2 + \beta_0 \beta_1) - \alpha^2 b_0 \beta_0 + 2d\alpha b_1^2 f_2 + b_0 \beta_1 f_2 + a\alpha^2 \beta_0 \beta_1) yz \\ & + (\alpha^2 b_0 \beta_0 - 2d\alpha b_1^2 f_2) \beta_1 y^2 \\ & - (a(\alpha \beta_1^2 + \beta_0 \beta_1) f_2 + 2a\alpha^2 \beta_0^2) z. \end{aligned}$$

Since $f_4 + \alpha^2 b_1 = az + b_1 y^2 - a\beta_1 y - b_0 y + \alpha^2 b_1$ and $y^3 = f_2 + \alpha^2 y$, we can deform B as

$$\begin{aligned} B = & ay^2 z^3 + \alpha^2 b_1 y^2 z^2 \\ & + (b_1 f_2 - a\alpha^2 \beta_1 - \alpha^2 b_0) yz^2 \\ & + (-2\alpha^3 b_1 \beta_1 - a\beta_0^2 - \alpha^2 \beta_0 b_1 + b_1 \beta_1 f_2) y^2 z \\ & + (-b_0 f_2 - a\alpha^2 \beta_0) z^2 \\ & + (-\alpha b_1 \beta_1 f_2 + a\alpha^3 \beta_1^2 + 2a\alpha^2 \beta_0 \beta_1 + \alpha^2 b_0 \beta_0 - a\beta_1^2 f_2 - b_0 \beta_1 f_2) yz \\ & + \alpha^2 \beta_0^2 b_1 y^2 \\ & + (a\alpha \beta_1^2 f_2 + \alpha b_0 \beta_1 f_2 - \alpha^4 \beta_0 b_1 + \alpha^2 b_1 \beta_1 f_2) z \\ & + (-\beta_0^2 b_1 f_2 + a\alpha^2 \beta_0^2 \beta_1 + \alpha^2 b_0 \beta_0^2) y \\ & + a\beta_0^2 f_2 + b_0 f_2 \beta_0^2. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we can deform the sum $A + B$ as

$$\begin{aligned} A + B = & (-\alpha^2 \beta_1 - \alpha \beta_0) ayz^2 \\ & + (-2\alpha^2 \beta_0 b_1 - a\alpha^2 \beta_1^2 - a\beta_0^2) y^2 z \\ & + (-a\alpha^2 \beta_0 \beta_1 + 2d\alpha b_1^2 f_2 - \alpha b_1 \beta_1 f_2) yz \\ & + (\alpha^2 b_0 \beta_0 \beta_1 - 2\alpha b_1 \beta_1^2 f_2 + \alpha^2 \beta_0^2 b_1) y^2 \\ & + (-2a\alpha^2 \beta_0^2 - \alpha^4 \beta_0 b_1 + \alpha^2 b_1 \beta_1 f_2) z \\ & + (-\beta_0^2 b_1 f_2 + a\alpha^2 \beta_0^2 \beta_1 + \alpha^2 b_0 \beta_0^2) y \\ & + a\beta_0^2 \beta_1 f_2 + b_0 \beta_0^2 f_2 \\ = & (-\alpha^2 \beta_1 - \alpha \beta_0) g_4 \\ & + (\alpha^2 \beta_1 + \alpha \beta_0) (b_1 f_2 z + (a\beta_1 + b_0) y^2 z) \\ & + (-2\alpha^2 \beta_0 b_1 - a\alpha^2 \beta_1^2 - a\beta_0^2) y^2 z \\ & + (-a\alpha^2 \beta_0 \beta_1 + 2d\alpha b_1^2 f_2 - \alpha b_1 \beta_1 f_2) yz \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + (\alpha^2 b_0 \beta_0 \beta_1 - 2\alpha b_1 \beta_1^2 f_2 + \alpha^2 \beta_0^2 b_1) y^2 \\
& + (-2a\alpha^2 \beta_0^2 - \alpha^4 \beta_0 b_1 + \alpha^2 b_1 \beta_1 f_2) z \\
& + (-\beta_0^2 b_1 f_2 + a\alpha^2 \beta_0^2 \beta_1 + \alpha^2 b_0 \beta_0^2) y \\
& + a\beta_0^2 \beta_1 f_2 + b_0 \beta_0^2 f_2 \\
& = (-\alpha^2 \beta_1 - \alpha \beta_0) g_4 \\
& + (-a\alpha^2 \beta_0 \beta_1 + \alpha b_1 \beta_1 f_2) y z \\
& + (2\alpha^2 b_0 \beta_0 \beta_1 - 2\alpha b_1 \beta_1^2 f_2) y^2 \\
& + (-2a\alpha^2 \beta_0^2 - \alpha^4 \beta_0 b_1 + 2\alpha^2 b_1 \beta_1 f_2 + \alpha \beta_0 b_1 f_2) z \\
& + (-\beta_0^2 b_1 f_2 + a\alpha^2 \beta_0^2 \beta_1 + \alpha^2 b_0 \beta_0^2) y \\
& + a\beta_0^2 \beta_1 f_2 + b_0 \beta_0^2 f_2 \\
& = (a\beta_0^2 \beta_1 f_2 + b_0 \beta_0^2 f_2) \\
& + (-b_1 \beta_0^2 f_2 + a\alpha^2 \beta_0^2 \beta_1 + \alpha^2 b_0 \beta_0^2) \cdot y \\
& - (\alpha^2 \beta_1 + \alpha \beta_0) \cdot g_4 \\
& + g(0, \quad \alpha^2 b_0 \beta_0 \beta_1 - b_0 \beta_1^2 f_2, \quad -a\alpha^2 \beta_0 \beta_1 + \alpha b_1 \beta_1 f_2) \\
& + g(a\alpha^2 \beta_0^2 - \alpha^4 b_0 \beta_1 - \alpha^2 b_1 \beta_1 f_2 + \alpha \beta_0 b_1 f_2, \\
& \quad -a\alpha^2 \beta_0 \beta_1^2 - \alpha b_1 \beta_1^2 f_2 + \alpha^2 b_0 \beta_0 \beta_1 + b_0 \beta_1^2 f_2, \quad 0).
\end{aligned}$$

We obtain $(u_2 + \alpha^2 \beta_0 u_6 + d\alpha u_7 + \beta_0^2 u_8) \cdot \Phi \in M$.

Using

$$\begin{aligned}
u_5 - b_1 u_2 - f_4 u_{12} &= f_4(a\beta_0^2, \quad \beta_0^2 b_1, \quad 0, \quad 0, \quad 0, \quad 0, \quad 0) \\
&+ f_3(a^2, \quad ab_1, \quad 0, \quad 0, \quad 0, \quad 0, \quad 0),
\end{aligned}$$

we can show $u_5 \cdot \Phi \in M$.

Note that

$$\begin{aligned}
& u_4 - au_2 - b_1 f_2 u_{10} - f_4 u_{13} - b_1 f_2 u_{15} \\
&= f_4^2(\alpha^2, \quad \alpha \beta_1, \quad 0, \quad 0, \quad 0, \quad 0, \quad 0) \\
&+ f_4(a\alpha^2 \beta_0, \quad a\alpha \beta_0 \beta_1, \quad 0, \quad 0, \quad 0, \quad 0, \quad 0) \\
&+ f_2(-a\alpha b_0 \beta_0, \quad -ab_0 \beta_1^2, \quad 0, \quad 0, \quad 0, \quad 0, \quad 0) \\
&+ (0, \quad 0, \quad b_0^2 f_2 + b_1 f_2 f_4, \quad -ab_0 f_2, \quad 0, \quad 0, \quad 0).
\end{aligned}$$

Since $f_4 = az + b_1 y^2 - a\beta_1 y - b_0 y$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& (0, \quad 0, \quad b_0^2 f_2 + b_1 f_2 f_4, \quad -ab_0 f_2, \quad 0, \quad 0, \quad 0) \cdot \Phi \\
&= (b_0^2 f_2 + b_1 f_2 f_4) \varphi_5 - ab_0 f_2 \varphi_6 \\
&= -2b_0^2 f_2 y z + 2b_0^2 \beta_1 f_2 y^2 \\
&+ ab_1 f_2 y z^2 + b_1^2 f_2 y^3 z - ab_1 \beta_1 f_2 y^2 z - b_0 b_1 f_2 y^2 z
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -ab_1\beta_1f_2y^2z - b_1^2\beta_1f_2y^4 + ab_1\beta_1^2f_2y^3 + b_0b_1\beta_1f_2y^3 \\
& -ab_0f_2z^2 + 2ab_0\beta_1f_2yz.
\end{aligned}$$

Since $ab_1f_2y^2 = b_1f_2 \cdot ayz^2 = b_1f_2 \cdot (g_4 - b_1f_2z - (a\beta_1 + b_0)y^2z)$, $y^3 = f_2 + \alpha^2y$ and $b_0b_1f_2y^2z = b_0f_2 \cdot (g_3 - b_0\beta_1y^2 + 2b_0yz - 2az^2)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& (0, \quad 0, \quad b_0^2f_2 + b_1f_2g_4, \quad -ab_0f_2, \quad 0, \quad 0, \quad 0) \cdot \Phi \\
& = -2b_0^2f_2yz - b_0^2\beta_1f_2y^2 + b_1f_2g_4 \\
& \quad + b_0b_1f_2y^2z \\
& \quad + \alpha^2b_1^2f_2yz - b_1^2\beta_1f_2^2y - \alpha^2b_1^2\beta_1f_2y^2 \\
& \quad + (ab_1\beta_1^2f_2 + b_0b_1\beta_1f_2)(f_2 + \alpha^2y) \\
& \quad - ab_0f_2z^2 + 2ab_0\beta_1f_2yz \\
& = -2b_0^2f_2yz - b_0^2\beta_1f_2y^2 + b_1f_2g_4 \\
& \quad + b_0f_2(g_3 - b_0\beta_1y^2 + 2b_0yz - 2az^2) \\
& \quad + \alpha^2b_1^2f_2yz - b_1^2\beta_1f_2^2y - \alpha^2b_1^2\beta_1f_2y^2 \\
& \quad + (ab_1\beta_1^2f_2 + b_0b_1\beta_1f_2)(f_2 + \alpha^2y) \\
& \quad - ab_0f_2z^2 + 2ab_0\beta_1f_2yz \\
& = b_1f_2g_4 + b_0f_2g_3 - b_1^2\beta_1f_2^2y \\
& \quad + (ab_1\beta_1^2f_2 + b_0b_1\beta_1f_2)(f_2 + \alpha^2y) \\
& \quad + (b_0^2\beta_1f_2 - \alpha^2b_1^2\beta_1f_2)y^2 \\
& \quad + (\alpha^2b_1^2f_2 + 2ab_0\beta_1f_2)yz \\
& = (ab_1\beta_1^2f_2^2 + b_0b_1\beta_1f_2^2) \\
& \quad + (\alpha^2b_1\beta_1^2f_2 + \alpha^2b_0b_1\beta_1f_2 - b_1^2\beta_1f_2^2) \cdot y \\
& \quad + b_0f_2 \cdot g_3 \\
& \quad + b_1f_2 \cdot g_4 \\
& \quad + g(0, b_0^2\beta_1f_2, 2ab_0\beta_1f_2) \\
& \quad + g(0, -\alpha\beta_0b_1^2f_2, \alpha^2b_1^2f_2).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus we have $u_4 \cdot \Phi \in M$.

Since $u_3 = -b_0u_2 + f_4u_{14}$ and $u_1 = f_4u_2$, we can show $u_3 \cdot \Phi, u_1 \cdot \Phi \in M$. This completes the proof of assertion (4) of Theorem 5.

7. Proof of Theorem 1

In this section, we prove Theorem 1 stated in the Introduction.

We first prove assertion (1) of Theorem 1. Assume that τ has the form

①. Let $\sigma : k[x, y, z] \rightarrow k[x, y, z]$ be the triangular automorphism defined by $\sigma(f) := \tau(f)$ for all $f \in k[x, y, z]$. Thus σ has the form (I) and $\beta = 0$ (see

Subsection 1.2). So, we can use both assertion (1) of Lemma 4 and assertion (1) of Theorem 5. Then $\text{Ker}(D_\sigma^2) = k[x, y, z]$. Let $\gamma(x, y, z) \in k[x, y, z]$ be the polynomial appearing in ①. So, $\gamma(x, y, z) \in \text{Ker}(D_\sigma^2)$. Using assertion (1) of Lemma 2, we have $E_{\sigma, \gamma(x, y, z)} \in U^{3, \Delta}(k[x, y, z, w])$. Since $\tau = E_{\sigma, \gamma(x, y, z)}$, we conclude $\tau^3 = \text{id}_{k[x, y, z, w]}$. Similarly, we can prove $\tau^3 = \text{id}_{k[x, y, z, w]}$ for τ having any one of the forms ②, ③, ④.

We next prove assertion (2) of Theorem 1. Since $\tau \in U^{3, \Delta}(k[x, y, z, w])$, we can define a k -algebra homomorphism $\sigma : k[x, y, z] \rightarrow k[x, y, z]$ as $\sigma(f) := \tau(f)$ for all $f \in k[x, y, z]$. Let $\delta := \tau(w) - w \in k[x, y, z]$. By assertion (2) of Lemma 2, we have $\sigma \in U^{3, \Delta}(k[x, y, z])$, $\delta \in \text{Ker}(D_\sigma^2)$ and $\tau = E_{\sigma, \delta}$. There exists an automorphism ψ of $k[x, y, z]$ such that $\psi^{-1} \circ \sigma \circ \psi$ has one of the forms (I) and (II) (see Subsection 1.2). Then one of the following cases (1), (2), (3) and (4) can occur:

- (1) $\psi^{-1} \circ \sigma \circ \psi$ has the form (I) and $\beta = 0$.
- (2) $\psi^{-1} \circ \sigma \circ \psi$ has the form (I) and $\beta \neq 0$.
- (3) $\psi^{-1} \circ \sigma \circ \psi$ has the form (II) and $\beta_1(s, t) = 0$.
- (4) $\psi^{-1} \circ \sigma \circ \psi$ has the form (II) and $\beta_1(s, t) \neq 0$.

Corresponding to any one of the above four cases, we already know in Theorem 5 a generating set of $\text{Ker}(D_{\psi^{-1} \circ \sigma \circ \psi}^2)$. Let $\Psi : k[x, y, z, w] \rightarrow k[x, y, z, w]$ be the k -algebra automorphism defined by $\Psi(x) := \psi(x)$, $\Psi(y) := \psi(y)$, $\Psi(z) := \psi(z)$ and $\Psi(w) := w$. By Lemma 3, we have $\Psi^{-1} \circ \tau \circ \Psi = E_{\sigma, \psi^{-1}(\delta)}$ and $\psi^{-1}(\delta) \in \text{Ker}(D_{\psi^{-1} \circ \sigma \circ \psi}^2)$. Hence $\Psi^{-1} \circ \tau \circ \Psi$ has one of the forms ①, ②, ③, ④, as desired.

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