Object-image correspondence under projections

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**Example:** Consider the projection of  $\mathcal{Z}$  parametrized by

$$z_1(s) = s^3, \, z_2(s) = s^5, \, z_3(s) = s^5$$

from (0,0,0) to the plane  $z_3 = 1$ :  $x = \frac{z_1}{z_3}$  and  $y = \frac{z_2}{z_3}$ .

Then  $P(Z) = \left(\frac{s^3}{s}, \frac{s^5}{s}\right) = (s^2, s^4)$  occupies half of the parabola  $\mathcal{X}$  parametrized  $x = t, y = t^2$  with x > 0.

We still say that  $\mathcal{Z}$  projects to  $\mathcal{X}$ .

## **Projections:**



#### (1) describes

- central projection if  $det(p_{ij})_{i=1,2,3}^{j=1,2,3} \neq 0$ (12 parameters but 11 degrees of freedom, because multiplication of all  $p_{ij}$  by the same non-zero constant gives the same projection.).
- parallel projection if denominator is a non-zero constant (8 parameters/degrees of freedom).
- In the paper, we consider central and parallel projections.
- In the talk, we consider central projections only.

## Main idea of the algorithm

To use the relation between the projection problem and the group equivalence problem to eliminate all unknown projection parameters except the center of the projections.

## **Group-equivalence of planar curves**

The projective group:

 $\mathcal{PGL}(3) = \{ equivalence classes of 3 \times 3 non-singular matrices up to multiplication by a non-zero constant. \}$ 

 $\mathcal{PGL}(3)$  acts  $\mathbb{R}^2$  by linear fractional transformation:

$$\bar{x} = \frac{a_{11}x + a_{12}y + a_{13}}{a_{31}x + p_{32}y + a_{33}},$$
$$\bar{y} = \frac{a_{21}x + a_{22}y + a_{23}}{a_{31}x + a_{32}y + a_{33}}.$$

Definition: We say that  $\mathcal{X}_1 \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  is  $\mathcal{PGL}(3)$ -equivalent to  $\mathcal{X}_2 \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ 

if  $\exists A \in \mathcal{PGL}(3)$  such that  $\mathcal{X}_2 = \overline{A(\mathcal{X}_1)}$ 

Notation:  $\mathcal{X}_1 \cong \mathcal{X}_2$ .

#### **Projection criterion for algebraic curves**

A curve  $\mathcal{Z} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ , parametrized by  $z_1(s), z_2(s), z_3(s)$  projects to a curve  $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  by a central projection if and only if  $\exists c_1, c_2, c_3 \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\mathcal{X}$  is  $\mathcal{PGL}(3)$ -equivalent to a planar curve parametrized by

$$\epsilon_c = \left(\frac{z_1(s) + c_1}{z_3(s) + c_3}, \frac{z_2(s) + c_2}{z_3(s) + c_3}\right)$$

Remark: the projection center is  $(-c_1, -c_2, -c_3)$ .

#### **Group-equivalence problem for planar curves**

Problem: Let a group G act on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Given two planar algebraic curves  $\mathcal{X}_1$ ,  $\mathcal{X}_2$ , decide if there exists  $A \in G$  such that  $\mathcal{X}_1 = \overline{A(\mathcal{X}_2)}$ .

Proposed solution: is based on an algebraic adaptation of a method from differential geometry that solves local equivalence problem for smooth curves.

- In the paper, we present solution for general G.
- In the talk,  $G = \mathcal{PGL}(3)$ .

#### **Rational differential invariants and signatures.**

Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a rational algebraic curve with a parameterization (x(t), y(t)).

#### **Classical curvatures and arclengths:**

$$SE(2): \kappa = \frac{\ddot{y}\dot{x} - \ddot{x}\dot{y}}{(\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2)^{3/2}}, \quad ds = \sqrt{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2} \, dt \Rightarrow \kappa_s = \frac{d\kappa}{ds}, \, \kappa_{ss}, \dots$$

$$SA(2): \mu = \frac{3\kappa(\kappa_{ss} + 3\kappa^3) - 5\kappa_s^2}{9\kappa^{8/3}}, \quad d\alpha = \kappa^{1/3} ds \Rightarrow \mu_\alpha = \frac{d\mu}{d\alpha}, \, \mu_{\alpha\alpha}, \dots$$

$$\mathcal{PGL}(3): \eta = \frac{6\mu_{\alpha\alpha\alpha}\mu_\alpha - 7\mu_{\alpha\alpha}^2 - 9\mu_\alpha^2\mu}{6\mu_\alpha^{8/3}}, \quad d\rho = \mu_\alpha^{1/3} d\alpha \Rightarrow \eta_\rho = \frac{d\eta}{d\rho}, \dots$$

 $K = \eta^3$  and  $T = \eta_\rho$  are rational differential  $\mathcal{PGL}(3)$ -invariants Definition. If  $\mathcal{X}$  is not a line or a conic, then its  $\mathcal{PGL}(3)$ -signature  $\mathcal{S}|_{\mathcal{X}}$  is the planar curve with rational parametrization

$$t \to (K(t), T(t))$$

Theorem. If  $\mathcal{X}_1$  and  $\mathcal{X}_2$  are not lines or conics then

$$\mathcal{X}_1 \cong \mathcal{X}_2 \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{X}_1} = \mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{X}_2}.$$

## **Examples of solving** $\mathcal{PGL}(3)$ **-equivalence problem**

Is  $\alpha(t) = \left(\frac{10t}{t^3+1}, \frac{10t^2}{t^3+1}\right)$  implicitly defined by  $x^3 + y^3 - 10xy = 0$ 

#### $\mathcal{PGL}(3)$ -equivalent to

$$\beta(s) = \left(\frac{s^3 + 3s^2 + 3s + 2}{s+1}, s+1\right) \text{ implicitly defined by } y^3 - xy + 1 = 0?$$



• The signature  $S_{\alpha}$  for  $\alpha(t) = \left(\frac{10t}{t^3+1}, \frac{10t^2}{t^3+1}\right)$  is a parametric curve

$$K|_{\alpha}(t) = -\frac{9261}{50} \frac{(t^6 - t^3 + 1)^3 t^3}{(t^3 - 1)^8}, \ T|_{\alpha}(t) = -\frac{21}{10} \frac{(t^3 + 1)^4}{(t^3 - 1)^4}.$$

• The signature  $S_{\beta}$  for  $\beta(s) = \left(\frac{s^3+3s^2+3s+2}{s+1}, s+1\right)$  is a parametric curve

$$\begin{split} K|_{\beta}(s) &= -\frac{9261}{50} \frac{1}{(s^2 + 3s + 3)^8 s^8} \\ &(s^9 + 9s^8 + 36s^7 + 83s^6 + 120s^5 + 111s^4 + 65s^3 + 24s^2 + 6s + 1) \\ &(s^6 + 6s^5 + 15s^4 + 19s^3 + 12s^2 + 3s + 1)^2 \\ T|_{\beta}(s) &= -\frac{21}{10} \frac{(s^3 + 3s^2 + 3s + 2)^4}{(s^2 + 3s + 3)^4 s^4}. \end{split}$$

- Is it true that  $S_{\alpha} = S_{\beta}$  and hence  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are  $\mathcal{PGL}(3)$ -equivalent?
  - $S_{\alpha}$  and  $S_{\beta}$  have the same implicit equation:
    - $0 = 62523502209 + 39697461720 T 6401203200 K + 5250987000 T^{2}$ 
      - $2032128000 KT + 163840000 K^{2} + 259308000 T^{3} + 53760000 KT^{2}$
      - $+ 4410000 T^4$

Over  $\mathbb{C}$  it is a sufficient condition, but not over  $\mathbb{R}$ .

We can look for a real reparameterization by solving  $T|_{\alpha}(t) = T|_{\beta}(s)$  for t in terms of s:

t = s + 1 indeed works. Yes!!!

The  $\mathcal{PGL}(3)$  transformation that brings  $\alpha$  to  $\beta$  is

$$x \to \frac{10 y}{x}, \quad y \to \frac{10}{x}.$$



Is  $\gamma(w) = \left(\frac{w^3}{w+1}, \frac{w^2}{w+1}\right)$  implicitly defined by  $y^3 - x^2 + xy^2 = 0 \mathcal{PGL}(3)$ -equivalent to  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ ?



No! because its signature is different:

$$K|_{\gamma}(w) = \frac{250047}{12800} \text{ and } T|_{\gamma}(w) = 0$$
  
and so  $S_{\gamma} = \left(\frac{250047}{12800}, 0\right)$  is a point!

## **Algorithm for central projections.**

INPUT: Rational parameterizations  $(z_1(s), z_2(s), z_3(s)) \in \mathbb{Q}(s)^3$  and  $(x(t), y(t)) \in \mathbb{Q}(t)^2$  of algebraic curves  $\mathcal{Z} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  and  $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ , where  $\mathcal{Z}$  is not a line.

OUTPUT: The truth of the statement:

 $\exists$  central projection *P* such that  $\mathcal{X} = \overline{P(\mathcal{Z})}$ .

#### NON-RIGOROUS OUTLINE:

- 1. if  $\mathcal{X}$  is a line then  $\mathcal{Z}$  can be projected to  $\mathcal{X}$  if and only if  $\mathcal{Z}$  is coplanar.
- 2.  $\epsilon_c := \left(\frac{z_1(s) + c_1}{z_3(s) + c_3}, \frac{z_2(s) + c_2}{z_3(s) + c_3}\right)$  is a family of parametric curves.
- 3. if  $\mathcal{X}$  is a conic then  $\mathcal{Z}$  can be projected to  $\mathcal{X}$  if and only if  $\exists c = (c_1, c_2, c_3)$ , such that  $\epsilon_c(s)$  parametrizes a conic.
- 4. if  $\mathcal{X}$  is neither a line or a conic then  $\mathcal{Z}$  can be projected to  $\mathcal{X}$  if and only if  $\exists c$  such that the signature of the curve parametrized by  $\epsilon_c(s)$  is contained in the signature of  $\mathcal{X}$ .

### **Example: central projections of the twisted cubic**

Can the twisted cubic  $\mathcal{Z}$  parametrized by

$$\Gamma(s) = \left(s^3, s^2, s\right), s \in \mathbb{R}$$



be projected to a curve  $\mathcal{X}_1$  parametrized by  $\alpha(t) = \left(\frac{10t}{t^3+1}, \frac{10t^2}{t^3+1}\right)$  with an implicit equation  $x^3 + y^3 - 10yx = 0$ ?

• The signature of  $\mathcal{X}_1$  is parametrized by invariants:

$$K|_{\alpha}(t) = -\frac{9261}{50} \frac{(t^6 - t^3 + 1)^3 t^3}{(t^3 - 1)^8}, \ T|_{\alpha}(t) = -\frac{21}{10} \frac{(t^3 + 1)^4}{(t^3 - 1)^4}.$$

- Compute invariants  $K|_{\epsilon}(c,s)$  and  $T|_{\epsilon}(c,s)$  for the curve  $\epsilon_c(s) = \left(\frac{s^3+c_1}{s+c_3}, \frac{s^2+c_2}{s+c_3}\right)$  with indetreminant values of c.
- Does there exist c such that  $(K|_{\epsilon}(c,s), T|_{\epsilon}(c,s))$  parametrize the same signature as  $(K|_{\alpha}(t), T|_{\alpha}(t))$ ?
- This is indeed true for c=(1,0,0).
- Yes!! The twisted cubic can be projected to  $x^3 + y^3 10 y x = 0$ .
- A possible projection is  $x = \frac{10 z_3}{z_1+1}$ ,  $y = \frac{10 z_2}{z_1+1}$ .

It follows that the twisted cubic can be projected to  $\mathcal{X}_2$  because  $\mathcal{X}_1 \cong \mathcal{X}_2$ .

#### Can the twisted cubic $\mathcal{Z}$ parametrized by

$$\Gamma(s) = \left(s^3, s^2, s\right), s \in \mathbb{R}$$



be projected to a curve  $\mathcal{X}_3$  parametrized by  $\gamma(t) = \left(\frac{t^3}{t+1}, \frac{t^2}{t+1}\right)$  with an <u>implicit equation  $y^3 + y^2 x - x^2 = 0$ ?</u>

• The signature of  $\mathcal{X}_3$  degenerates to a point.

$$K|_{\gamma}(t) = \frac{250047}{12800} \text{ and } T|_{\gamma}(t) = 0, \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- We need to determine if there exists c such that a curve parametrized by  $\epsilon_c(s) = \left(\frac{s^3 + c_1}{s + c_3}, \frac{s^2 + c_2}{s + c_3}\right)$  has the same constant invariants as  $\mathcal{X}_3$ .
- This is indeed true for c=(0,0,1).
- Yes!! The twisted cubic can be projected to  $y^3 + y^2 x x^2 = 0$ .
- A possible projection is  $x = \frac{z_1}{z_3+1}$ ,  $y = \frac{z_2}{z_3+1}$ .
- Recall that  $\mathcal{X}_3$  is <u>not</u>  $\mathcal{PGL}(3)$ -equivalent to  $\mathcal{X}_1$  and  $\mathcal{X}_2$ .

Can the twisted cubic be projected to a parabola parametrized by  $(t, t^2)$ ?

• Does there exists c such that a curve parametrized by

$$\epsilon_c(s) = \left(\frac{s^3 + c_1}{s + c_3}, \frac{s^2 + c_2}{s + c_3}\right)$$

is a quadric?

• Yes!!  $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$ 

Can the twisted cubic be projected to quintic parameterized by  $(t, t^5)$ ?

• The signature of the quintic degenerates to a point:

$$K(t) = \frac{1029}{128}$$
 and  $T(t) = 0$ ,  $\forall t$ .

• Does there exists c such that

$$K|_{\epsilon}(c,s) = \frac{1029}{128} \text{ and } T|_{\epsilon}(c,s) = 0, \forall s \in \mathbb{R}?$$

• NO!! Substitution of several values of *s* gives an inconsistent system on *c*.

## **Previous works**

#### **Finite lists of points**

- Hartley and Zisserman (2004) set up a system of conditions on the projection parameters and then check whether or not this system has a solution.
- Arnold, Stiller, and Sturtz (2006, 2007) define an algebraic variety that characterizes pairs of lists related by a parallel projection.

#### **Curves and surfaces**

• Feldmar, Ayache, and Betting (1995) set up a system of conditions on the projection parameters with known internal parameters (central projections with 6 unknown parameters vs 12 considered here).

## Advantage of our approach

- We need to eliminate 3 projection parameters instead of 12. In general, the less parameters to eliminate the better (although other factors may be important).
- The same approach can be used in the case of parallel projections.
- Our approach can be used for finite lists of points (with signatures based on a separating set of algebraic invariants)

**Implementation:** The projection problem can be considered over  $\mathbb{C}$  and the proposed method is easier to implement over  $\mathbb{C}$ . Maple Code

www.math.ncsu.edu/~iakogan/symbolic/projections.html

# Can we use the same method to solve the projection problem for non-rational curves?

In principle, yes, but

one has to be careful when describing a family of planar curves

$$\tilde{\mathcal{Z}}_{c} = \overline{\left\{ \left( \frac{z_{1} + c_{1}}{z_{3} + c_{3}}, \frac{z_{2} + c_{2}}{z_{3} + c_{3}} \right) \middle| (z_{1}, z_{2}, z_{3}) \in \mathcal{Z} \right\}}$$

by an implicit equation.

Assume  $\mathcal{Z}$  is given by implicit equations  $g_1(z_1, z_2, z_3) = 0$ ,  $g_2(z_1, z_2, z_3) = 0$ . For fixed  $c_1, c_2, c_3$  we need to eliminate  $z_1, z_2, z_3$  from the equations

$$0 = g_1(z_1, z_2, z_3)$$
  

$$0 = g_2(z_1, z_2, z_3)$$
  

$$x = \frac{z_1 + c_1}{z_3 + c_3}$$
  

$$y = \frac{z_2 + c_2}{z_3 + c_3}$$

Unfortunately, in general, elimination does not commute with specialization of the parameters  $c_1, c_2, c_3$ .

**Example:** the twisted cubic is implicitly defined by equations

$$z_1 - z_2 \, z_3 = 0, \quad z_2 - z_3^2 = 0$$

If c is such that  $c_2 \neq -c_3^2$  and  $c_1 \neq c_3^3$ , elimination of  $z_1, z_2, z_3$  from the equations

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$$z_1 - z_2 z_3 = 0, \quad x = \frac{z_1 + c_1}{z_3 + c_3},$$
  
 $z_2 - z_3^2 = 0, \quad y = \frac{z_2 + c_2}{z_3 + c_3}.$ 

leads to

$$0 = (-c_3^2 - c_2) x^2 + (c_3^2 + c_2) y^2 x + (c_1 + c_3 c_2) x y + (2c_1 c_3 - 2c_2^2) x + (c_3^3 - c_1) y^3 + (-3c_1 c_3 - 3c_3^2 c_2) y^2 + (3c_2^2 c_3 + 3c_1 c_2) y - c_1^2 - c_2^3$$
  
If  $c_2 = -c_3^2$  and  $c_1 = c_3^3$ , the elimination leads to  $y^2 - x + c_3 y + c_3^2 = 0$ .

#### **Projection criterion for list of points\*:**

A list  $\mathbf{Z} = (\mathbf{z}^1, \dots, \mathbf{z}^m)$  of m points with coordinates  $\mathbf{z}^i = (z_1^r, z_2^r, z_3^r)$ ,  $r = 1 \dots m$ , projects onto a list  $X = (\mathbf{x}^1, \dots, \mathbf{x}^m)$  of m points in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with coordinates  $\mathbf{x}^r = (x^r, y^r)$  by a finite projection if and only if there exist  $c_1, c_2, c_3 \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $[A] \in \mathcal{PGL}(3)$ , such that

 $[x^r, y^r, 1]^T = [A][z_1^r + c_1, z_2^r + c_2, z_3^r + c_3]^T$  for  $r = 1 \dots m$ .

\*separating sets of algebraic invariants can be used to solve group-equivalence problems for sets of points

## **Continuous vs. discrete:**

Projection problem for curves vs. projection problems for finite lists of points.



If  $Z = (z^1, ..., z^m)$  is a discrete sampling of a curve Z and  $X = (x^1, ..., x^m)$  is a discrete sampling of X, these sets might not be in a correspondence under a projection even when the curves Z and X are related by a projection.

## Thank you !!! \*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathsf{Differentially separating set of rational $\mathcal{PGL}(3)$-invariants:} \\ & \left[ \Delta_2 = 9 \, y^{(5)} \, [y^{(2)}]^2 - 45 \, y^{(4)} \, y^{(3)} \, y^{(2)} + 40 \, [y^{(3)}]^3 \right] \\ \mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{P}} &= \frac{729}{8 \, (\Delta_2)^8} \left( 18 \, y^{(7)} \, [y^{(2)}]^4 \, \Delta_2 - 189 \, [y^{(6)}]^2 \, [y^{(2)}]^6 \\ &+ 126 \, y^{(6)} \, [y^{(2)}]^4 \, (9 \, y^{(5)} \, y^{(3)} \, y^{(2)} + 15 \, [y^{(4)}]^2 \, y^{(2)} - 25 \, y^{(4)} \, [y^{(3)}]^2 \right) \\ &- 189 \, [y^{(5)}]^2 \, [y^{(2)}]^4 \, (4 \, [y^{(3)}]^2 + 15 \, y^{(2)} \, y^{(4)} \right) \\ &+ 210 \, y^{(5)} \, y^{(3)} \, [y^{(2)}]^2 \, (63 \, [y^{(4)}]^2 \, [y^{(2)}]^2 - 60 \, y^{(4)} \, [y^{(3)}]^2 \, y^{(2)} + 32 \, [y^{(3)}]^4 \right) \\ &- 525 \, y^{(4)} \, y^{(2)} \, (9 \, [y^{(4)}]^3 \, [y^{(2)}]^3 + 15 \, [y^{(4)}]^2 \, [y^{(2)}]^2 - 60 \, y^{(4)} \, [y^{(3)}]^4 \, y^{(2)} + 64 \, [y^{(3)}]^4 \\ &+ 11200 \, [y^{(3)}]^8 \, \Big)^3 ; \\ T_{\mathcal{P}} &= \frac{243 \, [y^{(2)}]^4}{2 \, (\Delta_2)^4} \left( 2 \, y^{(8)} \, y^{(2)} \, (\Delta_2)^2 \\ &- 8 \, y^{(7)} \, \Delta_2 \, (9 \, y^{(6)} \, [y^{(2)}]^3 - 36 \, y^{(5)} \, y^{(3)} \, [y^{(2)}]^2 - 45 \, [y^{(4)}]^2 \, [y^{(2)}]^2 + 120 \, y^{(4)} \, [y^{(3)}]^2 \, y^{(2)} \\ &+ 504 \, [y^{(6)}]^3 \, [y^{(2)}]^5 - 504 \, [y^{(6)}]^2 \, [y^{(2)}]^3 \, (9 \, y^{(5)} \, y^{(3)} \, y^{(2)} + 15 \, [y^{(4)}]^2 \, y^{(2)} - 25 \, y^{(4)} \, [y^{(3)}] \\ &+ 28 \, y^{(6)} \, (432 \, [y^{(5)}]^2 \, [y^{(3)}]^2 \, [y^{(2)}]^3 + 243 \, [y^{(5)}]^2 \, y^{(4)} \, [y^{(2)}]^4 - 1800 \, y^{(5)} \, y^{(4)} \, [y^{(3)}]^3 \, [y^{(2)}] \\ &- 240 \, y^{(5)} \, [y^{(3)}]^5 \, y^{(2)} + 540 \, y^{(5)} \, [y^{(4)}]^2 \, [y^{(3)}] \, [y^{(2)}]^3 + 6600 \, [y^{(4)}]^2 \, [y^{(3)}]^4 \, y^{(2)} - 20000y \\ &- 5175 \, [y^{(4)}]^3 \, [y^{(3)}]^2 \, [y^{(2)}]^2 + 1350 \, [y^{(4)}]^4 \, [y^{(2)}]^3 - 2835 \, [y^{(5)}]^4 \, [y^{(2)}]^4 \\ &+ 252 \, [y^{(5)}]^3 \, y^{(3)} \, [y^{(2)}]^2 \, (9y^{(4)} \, y^{(2)} - 136 \, [y^{(3)}]^2 \, - 35840 \, [y^{(5)}]^2 \, [y^{(3)}]^6 \\ &- 630 \, [y^{(5)}]^2 \, [y^{(4)}] \, [y^{(2)}] \, (69 \, [y^{(4)}]^2 \, [y^{(2)}]^2 - 160 \, [y^{(3)}]^4 \, - 153 \, y^{(4)} \, [y^{(3)}]^2 \, [y^{(2)}] \\ &+ 2100 \, y^{(5)} \, [y^{(4)}]^2 \, y^{(3)} \, (72 \, [y^{(3)}]^4 \, + 63 \, [y^{(4)}]^2 \, [y^{(2)}]^2 \, - 193 \, y^{$$

The restriction of  $K_{\mathcal{P}}|_{\mathcal{X}}$  and  $T_{\mathcal{P}}|_{\mathcal{X}}$  to a planar curve  $\mathcal{X}$  with rational parameterization (x(t), y(t)) is computed by substitution

$$y^{(1)} = \frac{\dot{y}}{\dot{x}} , \dots, \quad y^{(k)} = \frac{y^{(k-1)}}{\dot{x}},$$
 (3)

into the formulas for invariants.

- $y^{(1)}, \ldots, y^{(k)}$  are rational functions of t unless  $\mathcal{X}$  is a vertical line.
- Invariants  $K_{\mathcal{P}}|_{\mathcal{X}}$  and  $T_{\mathcal{P}}|_{\mathcal{X}}$  are rational functions of t unless  $\Delta_2|_{\mathcal{X}} \stackrel{=}{\underset{\mathbb{R}(t)}{=}} 0$ .
- $\Delta_2|_{\mathcal{X}} \underset{\mathbb{R}(t)}{=} 0$  if and only if  $\mathcal{X}$  is a line or a conic.
- When the restriction of invariants to the family of curves  $\tilde{Z}_c$  parametrized by  $\epsilon(c,s) := \left(\frac{z_1(s)+c_1}{z_3(s)+c_3}, \frac{z_2(s)+c_2}{z_3(s)+c_3}\right)$  is computed the differentiation in (3) is taken with respect to s.
- For the values c, such that  $\epsilon(c, s)$  is not a line or a conic, specialization of c commutes with restriction of invariants  $K_{\mathcal{P}}|_{\tilde{\mathcal{Z}}_c}$  and  $T_{\mathcal{P}}|_{\tilde{\mathcal{Z}}_c}$ .

## ALGORITHM: 1. if $\begin{vmatrix} \dot{\gamma} \\ \ddot{\gamma} \end{vmatrix} = 0$ then if $\begin{vmatrix} \dot{\Gamma} \\ \ddot{\Gamma} \\ \ddot{\Gamma} \end{vmatrix} = 0$ then return TRUE else return FALSE; 2. $\epsilon := \left(\frac{z_1+c_1}{z_3+c_3}, \frac{z_2+c_2}{z_3+c_3}\right) \in \mathbb{Q}(c_1, c_2, c_3, s)^2;$ 3. if $\Delta_2 |_{\gamma} = 0$ then if $\exists (c_1, c_2, c_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ $z_3 + c_3 \neq 0 \land \begin{vmatrix} \dot{\epsilon} \\ \ddot{\epsilon} \end{vmatrix} \neq 0 \land \Delta_2 |_{\epsilon} = 0$ then return TRUE else return FALSE.

4. return the truth of the statement:

 $\exists (c_1, c_2, c_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ 

$$z_{3} + c_{3} \underset{\mathbb{R}(s)}{\neq} 0 \land \begin{vmatrix} \dot{\epsilon} \\ \ddot{\epsilon} \end{vmatrix} \underset{\mathbb{R}(s)}{\neq} 0 \land \Delta_{2}|_{\epsilon} \underset{\mathbb{R}(s)}{\neq} 0$$
(4)

 $\wedge \forall s \in \mathbb{R}$ 

$$\Delta_{2}|_{\epsilon} \neq 0 \Rightarrow \exists t \in \mathbb{R}$$
$$K_{\mathcal{P}}|_{\epsilon} \equiv K_{\mathcal{P}}|_{\gamma} \wedge T_{\mathcal{P}}|_{\epsilon} \equiv T_{\mathcal{P}}|_{\gamma}.$$