



Article Non-Projected Supermanifolds and Embeddings in Super Grassmannians

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Abstract: In this paper we give a brief account of the relations between non-projected supermanifolds and projectivity in supergeometry. Following the general results (L. Sergio et al., 2018), we study an explicit example of non-projected and non-projective supermanifold over the projective plane and show how to embed it into a super Grassmannian. The geometry of super Grassmannians is also reviewed in detail.

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1. Introduction: Projectivity and Non-Projectivity in Supergeometry

The problem of projectivity in supergeometry is a long-standing one. Indeed, large classes of complex supermanifolds whose reduced complex manifolds \mathcal{M}_{red} are projective—i.e., there exists an embedding $\mathcal{M}_{red} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n$ —are known to be *non*-superprojective (henceforth, projective), that is they do not admit an embedding $\mathcal{M} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^{n|m}$ for some projective superspace $\mathbb{P}^{n|m}$. This is the case, for example, of a large class of complex super Grassmannians (see [1] and Section 4 of this paper).

The problem of projectivity is related to another central problem characterizing the theory of complex supermanifold, that of the so-called *non-projected supermanifolds*: these are complex supermanifolds that do *not* possess a projection to their reduced manifold $\mathcal{M} \to \mathcal{M}_{red}$. Indeed, it has been shown that any *projected* supermanifold whose reduced manifold is projective, is also superprojective. In other words, if \mathcal{M}_{red} is a projective complex manifolds and \mathcal{M} is projected, the embedding $\mathcal{M}_{red} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n$ can be lifted to an embedding of supermanifolds $\mathcal{M} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^{n|m}$ (see for example [2]). Notice that, for this to be true, the existence of the projection map $\mathcal{M} \to \mathcal{M}_{red}$ is crucial: indeed, if we let \mathcal{L}_{red} be a very ample line bundle on \mathcal{M}_{red} , then $\pi^* \mathcal{L}_{red}$ will be very ample on \mathcal{M} , in the sense that $\pi^* \mathcal{L}_{red}$ will allow for the embedding at the level of the supermanifolds $\mathcal{M} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^{n|m}$ [2,3].

The story is different when a supermanifold is non-projected. The obstruction theory to find an embedding into projective superspace for a complex supermanifold has been studied for example in [2], back in the early days of supergeometry. There, it is shown that the obstruction to extend the embedding map $\mathcal{M}_{red} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n$ at the level of the reduced complex manifolds, to an embedding $\mathcal{M}_{red} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^{n|m}$ at the level of complex supermanifolds lies in the cohomology groups $H^2(Sym^{2k}\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}})$ for $k = 1, \ldots$, rank $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}}/2$ and where the vector bundle $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}} = \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}/\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^2$ is constructed via a suitable quotient of the *nilpotent bundle* $\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}$ of the supermanifold, encoding the behavior of the anti-commutative nilpotent part of the geometry, see [1,3]. This result has some obvious, yet remarkable, consequences: for example, by dimensional reasons, one sees that any supercurve, i.e., any supermanifold of dimension 1|m constructed over a projective curve, is actually projective, and the issues regarding projectivity start to arise in dimension n|m, for $n, m \geq 2$.

Following these considerations, whilst the literature fully acknowledged that in the realm of supergeometry projective superspaces $\mathbb{P}^{n|m}$ are not as important as they are in ordinary complex

algebraic geometry, nothing has been said, by the way, about which sort of space is to be considered when one looks for a *universal embedding space* for complex supermanifolds. In the recent [4], this problem was taken on starting from dimension 2|2, working over the projective plane \mathbb{P}^2 , and it has been shown that a large class of non-projected complex supermanifolds does not indeed admit projective embeddings, while all of these non-projected *and* non-projective supermanifolds admit embeddings in some complex *super Grassmannians*, thus hinting that the same might happen also in higher dimensions.

In the paper, we consider again the problem of embedding a supermanifold into a super Grassmannians, enriching and clarifying the abstract results of [4] by very explicit constructions and examples. In particular, in the first section of the paper, the key concepts of supergeometry are revised and the notation is fixed, and the main result of [4] is reported and put in context as to make the paper self-consistent. Next, following [1], the supergeometry of complex super Grassmannians is explained. In the last section, it is shown how to build maps to super Grassmannians and the example of the 2|2 dimensional supermanifold over \mathbb{P}^2 characterized by a decomposable fermionic bundle $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}} = \Pi \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-1) \oplus \Pi \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-2)$ is carried out in full detail.

The interested reader might find further general references about supergeometry in [1,5,6]. On the problem of projectivity in supergeometry, the reader might refer to [2,7], and the recent [8–10].

2. Basics of Supermanifolds

In this section, we recall the basic definitions in the theory of (complex) supermanifolds. The interested reader might find more details in [1] or [3], which we will follow closely. The most important notion in supergeometry is the one of superspace, which is defined as follows.

Definition 1 (Superspace). A superspace is a pair $(|\mathcal{M}|, \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}})$, where $|\mathcal{M}|$ is a topological space and $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}$ is a sheaf of \mathbb{Z}_2 -graded supercommutative rings (super rings for short) defined over $|\mathcal{M}|$ and such that the stalks $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M},x}$ at every point of $|\mathcal{M}|$ are local rings.

In other words, a superspace is a locally ringed space having a structure sheaf given by a sheaf of super rings.

The requirement about the stalks being local rings is the same thing as asking that the *even* component of the stalk is a usual commutative local ring, for in superalgebra one has that if $A = A_0 \oplus A_1$ a super ring, then A is local if and only if its even part A_0 is (see for example [6]).

It is important to observe that one can always construct a superspace out of two classical data: a topological space, call it again $|\mathcal{M}|$, and a vector bundle over $|\mathcal{M}|$, call it \mathcal{E} (analogously: a locally free sheaf of $\mathcal{O}_{|\mathcal{M}|}$ -modules). Now, we denote $\mathcal{O}_{|\mathcal{M}|}$ the sheaf of continuous functions (with respect to the given topology) on $|\mathcal{M}|$ and we put $\bigwedge^0 \mathcal{E}^* = \mathcal{O}_{|\mathcal{M}|}$. The sheaf of sections of the bundle of exterior algebras $\bigwedge^{\bullet} \mathcal{E}^*$ has an obvious \mathbb{Z}_2 -grading (by taking its natural \mathbb{Z} -grading mod 2); therefore, in order to realize a superspace, it is enough to take the structure sheaf $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}$ of the superspace to be the sheaf of sections valued in $\mathcal{O}_{|\mathcal{M}|}$ of the bundle of exterior algebras. This is what is called a *local model*.

Definition 2 (Local Model $\mathfrak{S}(|\mathcal{M}|, \mathcal{E})$). Given a pair $(|\mathcal{M}|, \mathcal{E})$, where $|\mathcal{M}|$ is a topological space and \mathcal{E} is a vector bundle over $|\mathcal{M}|$, we call $\mathfrak{S}(|\mathcal{M}|, \mathcal{E})$ the superspace modeled on the pair $(|\mathcal{M}|, \mathcal{E})$, where the structure sheaf is given by the $\mathcal{O}_{|\mathcal{M}|}$ -valued sections of the exterior algebra $\wedge^{\bullet} \mathcal{E}^{*}$.

This is a *minimal* definition of a local model: we have let $|\mathcal{M}|$ be no more than a topological space and as such we are only allowed to take $\mathcal{O}_{|\mathcal{M}|}$ to be the sheaf of continuous functions on it. One can obviously work in a richer and more structured category, such as the *differentiable*, *complex analytic*, or *algebraic* category: from now on, we will work in the complex analytic category and we consider local models based on the pair ($\mathcal{M}_{red}, \mathcal{E}$), where \mathcal{M}_{red} is a *complex manifold* (its underlying topological space will be denoted with $|\mathcal{M}|$ and the sheaf of holomorphic functions on \mathcal{M}_{red} with $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}_{red}}$) and where \mathcal{E} is a *holomorphic vector bundle* on \mathcal{M}_{red} . We will call a *holomorphic local model* a local model constructed on this kind of data.

The concept of a local model enters in the definition of the main character of this paper.

Definition 3 (Complex Supermanifold). A complex supermanifold \mathcal{M} of dimension n|m is a superspace that is locally isomorphic to some holomorphic local model $\mathfrak{S}(\mathcal{M}_{red}, \mathcal{E})$, where \mathcal{M}_{red} is a complex manifold of dimension n and \mathcal{E} is a holomorphic vector bundle of rank m.

In other words, if the topological space $|\mathcal{M}|$ underlying \mathcal{M}_{red} has a basis $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$, the structure sheaf $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} = \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M},0} \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M},1}$ of the supermanifold \mathcal{M} is described via a collection $\{\psi_{U_i}\}_{i \in I}$ of local isomorphisms of sheaves

$$U_i \longmapsto \psi_{U_i} : \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} |_{U_i} \xrightarrow{\cong} \bigwedge^{\bullet} \mathcal{E}^* |_{U_i}$$
(1)

where we have denoted with $\wedge^{\bullet} \mathcal{E}^*$ the sheaf of sections of the exterior algebra of \mathcal{E} considered with its \mathbb{Z}_2 -gradation.

In general, given two superspaces, we can define a morphism relating these two.

Definition 4 (Morphisms of Superspaces). *Given two superspaces* \mathcal{M} *and* \mathcal{N} *a morphism* $\varphi : \mathcal{M} \to \mathcal{N}$ *is a pair* $\varphi := (\phi, \phi^{\sharp})$ *where*

- 1. $\phi : |\mathcal{M}| \to |\mathcal{N}|$ is a continuous map of topological spaces;
- 2. $\phi^{\sharp} : \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{N}} \to \phi_* \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}$ is a morphism of sheaves of \mathbb{Z}_2 -graded rings, having the property that it preserves the \mathbb{Z}_2 -grading and that, given any point $x \in |\mathcal{M}|$, the homomorphism $\phi_x^{\sharp} : \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{N},\phi(x)} \to \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M},x}$ is local, that is it preserves the (unique) maximal ideal, $\phi_x^{\sharp}(\mathfrak{m}_{\phi(x)}) \subseteq \mathfrak{m}_x$.

This definition applies in particular to the case of complex supermanifolds and enters the definition of *sub-supermanifolds*. Indeed, as in the ordinary theory, a *sub-supermanifold* is defined in general as a pair (\mathcal{N}, ι) , where \mathcal{N} is a supermanifold and $\iota := (\iota, \iota^{\sharp}) : (\mathcal{N}, \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{N}}) \to (\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}})$ is an *injective* morphism with some regularity property. In particular, depending on these regularity properties, we can distinguish between two kinds of sub-supermanifolds. We start from the milder notion.

Definition 5 (Immersed Supermanifold). Let $\iota := (i, i^{\sharp}) : (|\mathcal{N}|, \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{N}}) \to (|\mathcal{M}|, \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}})$ be a morphism of supermanifolds. We say that (\mathcal{N}, ι) is an immersed supermanifold if $i : |\mathcal{N}| \to |\mathcal{M}|$ is injective and the differential $(d\iota)(x) : \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{N}}(x) \to \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}(i(x))$ is injective for all $x \in |\mathcal{N}|$.

Making stronger requests, we can give instead the following definition.

Definition 6 (Embedded Supermanifold). Let $\iota := (i, i^{\sharp}) : (|\mathcal{N}|, \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{N}}) \to (|\mathcal{M}|, \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}})$ be a morphism of supermanifolds. We say that (\mathcal{N}, ι) is an embedded supermanifold if it is an immersed submanifold and $i : |\mathcal{M}| \to |\mathcal{N}|$ is an homeomorphism onto its image.

In particular, if $\iota(|\mathcal{N}|) \subset |\mathcal{M}|$ is a closed subset of $|\mathcal{M}|$ we will say that (\mathcal{N}, ι) is a closed embedded supermanifold.

In what follows, we will always deal with closed embedded supermanifolds. Remarkably, it is possible to show that a morphism $\iota : \mathcal{N} \to \mathcal{M}$ is an embedding *if and only if* the corresponding morphism $\iota^{\sharp} : \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} \to \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{N}}$ is a surjective morphism of sheaves. Notice that, for example, given a supermanifold \mathcal{M} , one always has a natural closed embedding: the map $\iota : \mathcal{M}_{red} \to \mathcal{M}$, which embeds the reduced manifold underlying the supermanifold into the supermanifold itself.

We now introduce some further pieces of information carried by a supermanifold.

Definition 7 (Nilpotent Sheaf / Fermionic Sheaf). We call the nilpotent sheaf $\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}$ the sheaf of ideals of $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} = \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M},0} \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M},1}$ generated by all of the nilpotent sections, that is we put $\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}} := \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M},1} \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M},1}^2$.

We also call fermionic sheaf $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}}$ the locally free sheaf of $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}_{red}}$ -module of rank 0|m given by the quotient $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}} := \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}} / \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^2$.

It is crucial to note that modding out all of the nilpotent sections from the structure sheaf $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}$ of the supermanifold \mathcal{M} , we recover the structure sheaf $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}_{red}}$ of the underlying ordinary complex manifold \mathcal{M}_{red} that the local model was based on. We call the complex manifold \mathcal{M}_{red} the *reduced manifold* of the supermanifold \mathcal{M} : loosely speaking, the reduced manifold arises by setting all of the nilpotents in $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}$ to zero.

In other words, more invariantly, attached to any complex supermanifold, there is a short exact sequence that relates the supermanifold with its reduced manifold:

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} \xrightarrow{\iota} \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}_{red}} \longrightarrow 0$$
(2)

where $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}_{red}} \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} / \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}$ and the surjective sheaf morphism $\iota : \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} \to \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}_{red}}$ corresponds to the existence of an *embedding* $\mathcal{M}_{red} \stackrel{\iota}{\longrightarrow} \mathcal{M}$ of the reduced manifold \mathcal{M}_{red} inside the supermanifold \mathcal{M} . Notice that $\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}} = \ker(\iota)$, where $\iota : \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} \to \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}_{red}}$ is the surjective sheaf morphism in Equation (2).

We will refer to the short exact sequence of Equation (2) as the *structural exact sequence* of \mathcal{M} .

A very natural question arising when looking at the structural exact sequence of Equation (2) associated to a certain supermanifold is whether it is a *split* exact sequence or not, that is whether there exists a retraction—called *projection* in this context— $\pi : \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}_{red}} \to \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}$ such that $\iota \circ \pi = id_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}_{red}}}$:

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} \xrightarrow{\overset{\sim}{\longrightarrow}} \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}_{red}} \longrightarrow 0.$$
(3)

Notice that, more precisely, this shall be recast into the splitting of two exact sequences—the even and the odd part of Equation (2), as we are only dealing with parity preserving morphisms. In particular, we shall give the following definition.

Definition 8 (Projected Supermanifold). We say that a supermanifold is projected if the even part of its structural exact sequence of Equation (2) splits:

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M},0} \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M},0} \xrightarrow{\pi_0} \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}_{red}} \longrightarrow 0.$$
(4)

It is important to observe that, if the structure sheaf of a supermanifold is a sheaf of $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}_{red}}$ -modules if and only if the supermanifold is projected, indeed in this case one has that $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}_{red}} \oplus \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}$: is this case the theory simplifies considerably as all of the sheaves of $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}$ -modules defined on the supermanifold are also sheaves of $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}_{red}}$ -modules.

Notably, if also the *odd* part of the structural exact sequence attached to the supermanifold \mathcal{M} is split, that is

$$0 \longrightarrow (\mathcal{J}^{2}_{\mathcal{M}})_{1} \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M},1} \xrightarrow{\mu_{1}} \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}} \longrightarrow 0, \tag{5}$$

then the supermanifold \mathcal{M} is called *split*: this expresses in a more invariant and meaningful form the isomorphism $\mathcal{M} \cong \mathfrak{S}(\mathcal{M}_{red}, \Pi \mathcal{F}^*_{\mathcal{M}})$: the supermanifold is globally isomorphic to the local model onto which it is based. In other words, we might say that a supermanifold \mathcal{M} is split if and only if it is projected and the short exact sequence of Equation (5) is split. There indeed exists projected supermanifolds that are *not* split.

Notice that all of the complex supermanifolds having odd dimension 1 are projected and split for dimensional reasons. When going up to odd dimension 2 a supermanifold can instead be non-projected—the short exact sequence of Equation (4) indicates that $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M},0}$ is an extension of $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}_{red}}$ by the line bundle $Sym^2 \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}}$. If we call a $\mathcal{N} = 2$ supermanifold a complex supermanifold having an odd dimension equal to 2, we have the following important result.

Theorem 1 ($\mathcal{N} = 2$ Supermanifolds). Let \mathcal{M} be a $\mathcal{N} = 2$ supermanifold. Then \mathcal{M} is defined up to an isomorphism by the triple ($\mathcal{M}_{red}, \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}}, \omega_{\mathcal{M}}$) where $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}}$ is a rank 0|2 sheaf of locally free $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}_{red}}$ -modules, the fermionic sheaf of \mathcal{M} , and $\omega_{\mathcal{M}} \in H^1(\mathcal{M}_{red}, \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}_{red}} \otimes Sym^2 \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}})$. The supermanifold \mathcal{M} is non-projected if and only if $\omega_{\mathcal{M}} \neq 0$.

The proof of the statement can be originally found in [1] and has been reproduced in full detail in [3].

3. Non-Projected $\mathcal{N} = 2$ Supermanifolds over \mathbb{P}^2

Using Theorem 1 of the previous section, in the recent [4], all the non-projected $\mathcal{N} = 2$ supermanifolds over the projective plane \mathbb{P}^2 were described through their characterizing cohomological invariants and their transition functions have been given. These non-projected supermanifolds reveal interesting features.

We first set out conventions: we consider a set of homogeneous coordinates $[X_0 : X_1 : X_2]$ on \mathbb{P}^2 and the set of the affine coordinates and their algebras over the three open sets of the covering $\mathcal{U} := \{\mathcal{U}_0, \mathcal{U}_1, \mathcal{U}_2\}$ of \mathbb{P}^2 . In particular, modulo $\mathcal{J}^2_{\mathcal{M}}$, we have the following

$$\mathcal{U}_{0} := \{X_{0} \neq 0\} \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad z_{10} \mod \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} := \frac{X_{1}}{X_{0}}, \qquad z_{20} \mod \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} := \frac{X_{2}}{X_{0}}; \\ \mathcal{U}_{1} := \{X_{1} \neq 0\} \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad z_{11} \mod \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} := \frac{X_{0}}{X_{1}}, \qquad z_{21} \mod \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} := \frac{X_{2}}{X_{1}}; \\ \mathcal{U}_{2} := \{X_{2} \neq 0\} \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad z_{12} \mod \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} := \frac{X_{0}}{X_{2}}, \qquad z_{22} \mod \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} := \frac{X_{1}}{X_{2}}. \end{cases}$$
(6)

The transition functions between these charts reads

$$\mathcal{U}_{0} \cap \mathcal{U}_{1}: \qquad z_{10} \operatorname{mod} \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} = \frac{1}{z_{11}} \operatorname{mod} \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2}, \qquad \qquad z_{20} \operatorname{mod} \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} = \frac{z_{21}}{z_{11}} \operatorname{mod} \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2};
\mathcal{U}_{0} \cap \mathcal{U}_{2}: \qquad z_{10} \operatorname{mod} \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} = \frac{z_{22}}{z_{12}} \operatorname{mod} \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2}, \qquad \qquad z_{20} \operatorname{mod} \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} = \frac{1}{z_{12}} \operatorname{mod} \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2}; \qquad \qquad (7)$$

$$\mathcal{U}_{1} \cap \mathcal{U}_{2}: \qquad z_{11} \operatorname{mod} \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} = \frac{z_{12}}{z_{22}} \operatorname{mod} \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2}, \qquad \qquad z_{21} \operatorname{mod} \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} = \frac{1}{z_{22}} \operatorname{mod} \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2}.$$

We also denote θ_{1i} , θ_{2i} a basis of the rank 0|2 locally free sheaf $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}}$ on any of the open sets \mathcal{U}_i , for i = 0, 1, 2, and, since $\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^3 = 0$, the transition functions among these bases will have the form

$$\mathcal{U}_{i} \cap \mathcal{U}_{j}: \qquad \left(\begin{array}{c} \theta_{1i} \\ \theta_{2i} \end{array}\right) = M_{ij} \cdot \left(\begin{array}{c} \theta_{1j} \\ \theta_{2j} \end{array}\right), \tag{8}$$

with M_{ij} a 2 × 2 matrix with coefficients in $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(\mathcal{U}_i \cap \mathcal{U}_j)$. Note that in the transformation of Equation (8) one can write M_{ij} as a matrix with coefficients given by some even rational functions of z_{1j}, z_{2j} , because of the definitions (6) and the facts that $\theta_{hj} \in \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}$ and $\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^3 = 0$.

Finally we note the transformation law for the products $\theta_{1i}\theta_{2i}$ is given by

$$\theta_{1i}\theta_{2i} = (\det M_{ij})\theta_{1j}\theta_{2j}.$$
(9)

Since det *M* is a transition function for the invertible sheaf $Sym^2 \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}} \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-3)$ over $\mathcal{U}_i \cap \mathcal{U}_j$, this can be written, up to constant changes of bases in $\mathcal{F}|_{\mathcal{U}_i}$ and $\mathcal{F}|_{\mathcal{U}_i}$, in the more precise form

$$\theta_{1i}\theta_{2i} = \left(\frac{X_j}{X_i}\right)^3 \theta_{1j}\theta_{2j}.$$
(10)

Thus, we can identify the base $\theta_{1i}\theta_{2i}$ of $Sym^2 \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}} \mid_{\mathcal{U}_i}$ with the standard base $\frac{1}{X_i^3}$ of $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-3)$ over \mathcal{U}_i .

Having set these conventions and notations, we can give the following theorem, whose detailed proof can be found in [4].

Theorem 2 (Non-Projected $\mathcal{N} = 2$ Supermanifolds over \mathbb{P}^2). Every non-projected $\mathcal{N} = 2$ supermanifold over \mathbb{P}^2 is characterized up to isomorphism by a triple $\mathbb{P}^2_{\omega}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}}) := (\mathbb{P}^2, \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}}, \omega)$ where $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}}$ is a rank 0|2 sheaf of $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}$ -modules such that $Sym^2\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}} \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-3)$ and ω is a non-zero cohomology class $\omega \in H^1(\mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-3))$.

The transition functions for an element of the family $\mathbb{P}^2_{\omega}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}})$ from coordinates on \mathcal{U}_0 to coordinates on \mathcal{U}_1 are given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} z_{10} \\ z_{20} \\ \theta_{10} \\ \theta_{20} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{z_{11}} \\ \frac{z_{21}}{z_{11}} + \lambda \frac{\theta_{11}\theta_{21}}{(z_{11})^2} \\ M\begin{pmatrix} \theta_{11} \\ \theta_{21} \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}$$
(11)

where $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ is a representative of the class $\omega \in H^1(\mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-3)) \cong \mathbb{C}$ and M is a 2×2 matrix with coefficients in $\mathbb{C}[z_{11}, z_{11}^{-1}, z_{21}]$ such that det $M = 1 / z_{11}^3$.

Similar transformations hold between the other pairs of open sets.

We remark that the form of transition functions above is shared by all the supermanifolds $\mathbb{P}^2_{\omega}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}})$, regardless the form of its fermionic sheaf $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}}$, which is encoded in the matrix M.

Some remarkable properties of this family of non-projected supermanifolds has been given by the authors in [4]. We condensate these results in the following theorem.

Theorem 3. Let \mathcal{M} be a non-projected supermanifold in the family $\mathbb{P}^2_{\omega}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}})$. Then

1. *M* is non-projective, that is *M* cannot be embedded into any projective superspace of the kind $\mathbb{P}^{n|m}$;

2. \mathcal{M} can be embedded into a super Grassmannian. In particular, let $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$ be the tangent sheaf of \mathcal{M} , if we let $V := H^0(Sym^k\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}})$, for any $k \gg 0$ the evaluation map $ev_{\mathcal{M}} : V \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} \to Sym^k\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$ induces an embedding:

$$\Phi_k: \mathcal{M} \to G(2k|2k, V). \tag{12}$$

We observe that the theorem proves the existence of an embedding into some super Grassmannian, but it is not effective in that it does not give an esteem of the symmetric power of the tangent sheaf needed in order to set up the embedding. In the next sections, we will first review the geometry of super Grassmannians, and we will then treat explicitly an interesting example of embedding into a super Grassmannian, by choosing a decomposable fermionic sheaf satisfying the hypotheses of Theorem 2.

4. Elements of Super Grassmannians

This section is dedicated to the introduction of some elements of geometry of super Grassmannians. We remark that this section contains no original result and it is fully expository: all of the results are originally due to Y. Manin and his school, see in particular [1,5,7]. Nonetheless, we believe that since the cited literature is somewhat difficult and largely sketchy in the proofs of the various statements, it might be useful to have the constructions revised and readily at hand. In the present section, our emphasis will be on the non-projectedness and non-projectivity issues.

Super Grassmannians are the supergeometric generalization of the ordinary Grassmannians. This means that $G(a|b; V^{n|m})$ is a universal parameter space for a|b-dimensional linear subspaces of a given n|m-dimensional space $V^{n|m}$. We will deal with the simplest possible situation, choosing the n|m-dimensional space $V^{n|m}$ to be a super vector space of the kind $\mathbb{C}^{n|m}$.

We start reviewing how to construct a super Grassmannian by patching together the "charts" that cover it: this is nothing but a generalization of the usual construction of ordinary Grassmannians making use of the so-called *big cells*.

- 1. We let $\mathbb{C}^{n|m}$ be such that $n|m = c_0|c_1 + d_0|d_1$ and look at $\mathbb{C}^{n|m}$ as given by $\mathbb{C}^{c_0+d_0} \oplus (\Pi\mathbb{C})^{c_1+d_1}$. This is obviously freely generated, and we will write its elements as row vectors with respect to a certain basis, $\mathbb{C}^{n|m} = \text{Span}\{e_1^0, \dots, e_n^0|e_1^1, \dots, e_m^1\}$, where the upper indices refer to the \mathbb{Z}_2 -parity.
- 2. Consider a collection of indices $I = I_0 \cup I_1$ such that I_0 is a collection of d_0 out of the *n* indices of \mathbb{C}^n and I_1 is a collection of d_1 indices out of *m* indices of $\Pi \mathbb{C}^m$. If \mathcal{I} is the set of such collections of indices *I* one obtains

$$\operatorname{card}(\mathcal{I}) = \operatorname{card}(\mathcal{I}_0 \times \mathcal{I}_1) = \binom{n}{d_0} \cdot \binom{m}{d_1}.$$
 (13)

This will give the number of *super big cells* covering the super Grassmannian.

3. Choosing an element $I \in \mathcal{I}$, we associate to it a set of even and odd (complex) variables, we call them $\{x_I^{\alpha\beta} \mid \xi_I^{\alpha\beta}\}$. These are arranged as to fill in the places of a $d_0|d_1 \times n|m = a|b \times (c_0 + d_0)|(c_1 + d_1)$ matrix a way such that the columns having indices in $I \in \mathcal{I}_I$ forms a $(d_0 + d_1) \times (d_0 + d_1)$ unit matrix if brought together. To make this clear, for example, a certain choice of $I \in \mathcal{I}$ yields the following

$$\mathcal{Z}_{I} := \begin{pmatrix} & & 1 & & & & & \\ & x_{I} & & \ddots & & 0 & & \xi_{I} \\ & & & 1 & & & \\ \hline & & & 1 & & & \\ & \xi_{I} & & 0 & & \ddots & & x_{I} \\ & & & & 1 & & & \\ \end{pmatrix}$$
(14)

where we have chosen to pick that particular $I \in \mathcal{I}$ that underlines the presence of the $(d_0 + d_1) \times (d_0 + d_1)$ unit matrix.

- 4. We now define the superspace $\mathcal{U}_I \to \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{C} \cong \{pt\}$ to be the analytic superspace $\{pt\} \times \mathbb{C}^{d_0 \cdot c_0 + d_1 \cdot c_1 | d_0 \cdot c_1 + d_1 \cdot c_0} \cong \mathbb{C}^{d_0 \cdot c_0 + d_1 \cdot c_1 | d_0 \cdot c_1 + d_1 \cdot c_0}$, where $\{x_I^{\alpha\beta} | \xi_I^{\alpha\beta}\}$ are the complex coordinates over the point. Whenever represented as above, the superspace related to \mathcal{U}_I is called a *super big cell* of the Grassmannian, and denoted with \mathcal{Z}_I or, again, simply by \mathcal{U}_I (which encodes the topological information).
- 5. We now show how to patch together two superspaces U_I and U_J for two different $I, J \in \mathcal{I}$. If \mathcal{Z}_I is the super big cell related to \mathcal{U}_I , we consider the super submatrix \mathcal{B}_{IJ} formed by the columns having indices in J. Let $\mathcal{U}_{IJ} = \mathcal{U}_I \cap \mathcal{U}_J$ be the (maximal) sub-superspace of \mathcal{U}_I such that on \mathcal{U}_{IJ} the submatrix \mathcal{B}_{IJ} is invertible. As usual, the odd coordinates do not affect the invertibility, so it is enough that the two determinants of the even parts of the matrix \mathcal{B}_{IJ} (that are, respectively, a $d_0 \times d_0$ and a $d_1 \times d_1$ matrix) are different from zero. When this is the case, on the superspace \mathcal{U}_{IJ} .

one has common coordinates $\{x_I^{\alpha\beta} | \xi_I^{\alpha\beta}\}$ and $\{x_J^{\alpha\beta} | \xi_J^{\alpha\beta}\}$, and the rule to pass from one system of coordinates to the other one is provided by $\mathcal{Z}_J = \mathcal{B}_{IJ}^{-1} \mathcal{Z}_I$.

For example, let us consider the following two super big cells:

$$\mathcal{Z}_{I} := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & x_{1} & 0 & \tilde{\zeta}_{1} \\ 0 & 1 & x_{2} & 0 & \tilde{\zeta}_{2} \\ \hline 0 & 0 & \eta & 1 & y \end{pmatrix}, \qquad \qquad \mathcal{Z}_{J} := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{x}_{1} & 0 & 0 & \tilde{\zeta}_{1} \\ 0 & \tilde{x}_{2} & 1 & 0 & \tilde{\zeta}_{2} \\ \hline 0 & \tilde{\eta} & 0 & 1 & \tilde{y} \end{pmatrix}.$$
(15)

Looking at Z_I , we see that the columns belonging to J are the first, the third, and the fourth, so that

$$\mathcal{B}_{IJ} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_1 & 0 \\ 0 & x_2 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & \eta & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$
 (16)

When computing the determinant of the upper-right 2 × 2 matrix, the invertibility of \mathcal{B}_{IJ} corresponds to $x_2 \neq 0$ (as seen from the point of view of \mathcal{U}_I . Likewise one would have found $\tilde{x}_2 \neq 0$ by looking at \mathcal{Z}_J and \mathcal{U}_J). The inverse of \mathcal{B}_{II}^{-1} is

$$\mathcal{B}_{IJ}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -x_1/x_2 & 0\\ 0 & 1/x_1 & 0\\ \hline 0 & \eta/x_2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
(17)

so that we can compute the coordinates of U_J as functions of the ones of U_I via the rule $Z_J = \mathcal{B}_{II}^{-1} \mathcal{Z}_I$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \tilde{x}_1 & 0 & 0 & \tilde{\xi}_1 \\ 0 & \tilde{x}_2 & 1 & 0 & \tilde{\xi}_2 \\ \hline 0 & \tilde{\eta} & 0 & 1 & \tilde{y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -x_1/x_2 & 0 & 0 & \tilde{\xi}_1 - \tilde{\xi}_2 x_1/x_2 \\ 0 & 1/x_2 & 1 & 0 & \tilde{\xi}_2/x_2 \\ \hline 0 & -\eta/x_2 & 0 & 1 & y_1 - \eta \tilde{\xi}_2/x_2 \end{pmatrix},$$
(18)

so that the change of coordinates can be read out of this. Observe that the denominator x_2 is indeed invertible on U_{II} .

6. Patching together the superspaces U_I , one obtains the Grassmannian supermanifold $G(d_0|d_1; \mathbb{C}^{n|m})$ as the quotient supermanifold

$$G(d_0|d_1;\mathbb{C}^{n|m}) := \bigcup_{I \in \mathcal{I}/\mathcal{R}},\tag{19}$$

where we have written \mathcal{R} for the equivalence relations generated by the change of coordinates that have been described above. Notice that, as a (complex) supermanifold, a super Grassmannian has dimension

$$\dim_{\mathbb{C}} G(d_0|d_1;\mathbb{C}^{n|m}) = d_0(n-d_0) + d_1(m-d_1)|d_0(m-d_1) + d_1(n-d_0).$$
⁽²⁰⁾

We stress that the maps $\psi_{\mathcal{U}_I} : \mathcal{U}_I \to G(d_0|d_1; \mathbb{C}^{n|m})$ are isomorphisms onto (open) sub-superspaces of the super Grassmannian, so that the various super big cells offer a *local* description of it, in the same way a usual (complex) supermanifold is locally isomorphic to a superspace of the kind $\mathbb{C}^{n|m}$.

Clearly, the easiest possible example of super Grassmannians are projective superspaces that are realized as $\mathbb{P}^{n|m} = G(1|0; \mathbb{C}^{n+1|m})$, exactly as in the ordinary case: these are *split* supermanifolds, a feature that they do not in general share with a generic Grassmannian $G(d_0|d_1; \mathbb{C}^{n|m})$, as we shall see in a moment.

For convenience, in what follows we call *G* a super Grassmannian of the kind $G(d_0|d_1; \mathbb{C}^{n|m})$ and we give the following, see [1].

Definition 9 (Tautological Sheaf on a Super Grassmannian). Let *G* be a super Grassmannian and let it be covered by the super big cells $\{U_I\}_{I \in \mathcal{I}}$. We call tautological sheaf S_G of the super Grassmannian *G* the sheaf of locally free \mathcal{O}_G -modules of rank $d_0|d_1$ defined as

$$\mathcal{U} \cap \mathcal{U}_I \longmapsto \mathcal{S}_G(\mathcal{U} \cap \mathcal{U}_I) := \langle \text{rows of the matrix } \mathcal{Z}_I \rangle_{\mathcal{O}_G(\mathcal{U} \cap \mathcal{U}_I)}.$$
(21)

Notice that this definition is well-posed, since one has that $S_G(U_I)|_{U_{IJ}}$ and $S_G(U_J)|_{U_{JI}}$ are identified by means of the transition functions \mathcal{B}_{II} .

One can have insights about the geometry of a super Grassmannian by looking at its reduced space—which, we recall, encloses all the topological information—and at the filtration of its trivial sheaf \mathcal{O}_G .

We start observing that, given a super Grassmannian *G*, one automatically has two ordinary *even* sub-Grassmannians.

Definition 10 (G_0 and G_1). Let $G = G(d_0|d_1; \mathbb{C}^{n|m})$ be a super Grassmannian. Then we call G_0 and G_1 the two purely even sub-Grassmannians defined as

$$G_0 := G(d_0|0; \mathbb{C}^{n|0}), \qquad G_1 := G(0|d_1; \mathbb{C}^{0|m}).$$
(22)

Given a super big cell U_I , G_0 and G_1 can be visualized as the upper-left and the lower-right parts, respectively, and they come endowed with their tautological sheaves. We call them S_0 and S_1 . Notice, though, that S_1 defines a sheaf of locally free \mathcal{O}_{G_1} -modules and, as such, it has rank $0|d_1$.

Let us now consider an ordinary even complex Grassmannian *G* of the kind $G(d; \mathbb{C}^n)$ together with its tautological sheaf S_G . One can then also define the *sheaf orthogonal to the tautological sheaf*, we call it \tilde{S} , whose dual fits into the short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{S}_G \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_G^{\oplus n} \longrightarrow \widetilde{\mathcal{S}}_G^* \longrightarrow 0.$$
(23)

Notice that in the case the Grassmannian corresponds to a certain projective space $G(1|0; \mathbb{C}^{n+1}) = \mathbb{P}^n$, the sheaf orthogonal to the tautological sheaf can be read off the Euler exact sequence twisted by the tautological sheaf itself $S_{\mathbb{P}^n} = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(-1)$, and, indeed, we have that $\widetilde{S}_G^* \cong \mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(-1)$, so that $\widetilde{S}_G \cong \Omega_{\mathbb{P}^n}^1(+1)$.

In the case of a super Grassmannian $G(d_0|d_1;n|m)$, the sequence (23) is generalized to the canonical sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{S}_G \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_G^{\oplus n|m} \longrightarrow \widetilde{\mathcal{S}}_G^* \longrightarrow 0.$$
(24)

Recalling that $\operatorname{Gr} \mathcal{O}_G := \bigoplus_i^m \operatorname{Gr}_i \mathcal{O}_G$ and $\operatorname{Gr}_i \mathcal{O}_G := \mathcal{J}_G^i / \mathcal{J}_G^{i+1}$, we now have all the ingredients to state the following theorem, whose proof is contained in [1].

Theorem 4. Let $G = G(d_0|d_1; \mathbb{C}^{n|m})$ be a super Grassmannian, and let G_0 and G_1 be their even sub-Grassmannians together with the sheaves S_0, S_1 , and \tilde{S}_0, \tilde{S}_1 . Then the following (canonical) isomorphisms hold true:

(1) $G_{red} \cong G_0 \times G_1;$ (2) $\operatorname{Gr} \mathcal{O}_G \cong Sym (\mathcal{S}_0 \otimes \widetilde{\mathcal{S}}_1 \oplus \widetilde{\mathcal{S}}_0 \otimes \mathcal{S}_1),$

where by Sym we mean the super-symmetric algebra over $\mathcal{O}_{G_0 \times G_1}$.

The fundamental example, yet enclosing all the features characterizing the peculiar geometry of super Grassmannians, is given by $G(1|1, \mathbb{C}^{2|2})$ —which is of dimension 2|2. We now study its geometry in some detail.

The Geometry of $G(1|1; \mathbb{C}^{2|2})$: We start studying the geometry of $G(1|1; \mathbb{C}^{2|2})$, *G* for short, from its reduced manifold, which is easily identified using the previous Theorem 4.

Lemma 1 $(G(1|1; \mathbb{C}^{2|2})_{red} \cong \mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1)$. Let G be the super Grassmannian as above. Then

$$G(1|1; \mathbb{C}^{2|2})_{red} \cong \mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1.$$

$$\tag{25}$$

Proof. Keeping the same notation as above, one obtains $G_0 = G(1|0; \mathbb{C}^{2|0})$ and $G_1 = G(0|1; \mathbb{C}^{0|2})$. Therefore, topologically, one has $G_0 \cong \mathbb{P}^1_0$ and $G_1 \cong \mathbb{P}^1_1$, where the subscripts refer to the two copies of projective lines. The conclusion follows by the first point of the previous theorem. \Box

It is fair to observe that we would have arrived at the same conclusion by looking at the big cells of this super Grassmannian, after having set the nilpotents to zero. We thus have the following situation



that helps us to recover the geometric data of G_{red} and G out of those of the two copies of projective lines. Along this line, we recall that $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1}(\ell_1, \ell_2)$ is the *external tensor product* $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0}(\ell_1) \boxtimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_1}(\ell_2) := \pi_0^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0}(\ell_1) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}} \pi_1^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_1}(\ell_2)$. Since the tautological sheaf on \mathbb{P}^1 is $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-1)$, we have that

$$S_0 = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0}(-1) \boxtimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_1} = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(-1, 0)$$
(27)

$$\mathcal{S}_1 = \Pi \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0} \boxtimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_1}(-1) = \Pi \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(0, -1).$$
(28)

Similarly, observing that the sheaf dual to the tautological sheaf on \mathbb{P}^1 is given again by the sheaf $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(+1)$, as the (twisted) Euler sequence reads

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-1) \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}^{\oplus 2} \longrightarrow \mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-1) \longrightarrow 0 , \qquad (29)$$

and therefore $\widetilde{\mathcal{S}}_{\mathbb{P}^1} \cong (\mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-1))^* \cong \Omega^1_{\mathbb{P}^1}(+1) \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-1)$, one has the following:

$$\widetilde{\mathcal{S}}_0 = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0}(-1) \boxtimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_1} = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(-1, 0)$$
(30)

$$\widetilde{\mathcal{S}}_1 = \Pi \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0} \boxtimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_1}(-1) = \Pi \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(0, -1).$$
(31)

This is enough to identify the fermionic sheaf of *G*, since $\mathcal{F}_G = \operatorname{Gr}^{(1)} \mathcal{O}_G$. Therefore, by virtue of the second point of the previous Theorem 4, one has $\mathcal{F}_G \cong \mathcal{S}_0 \otimes \widetilde{\mathcal{S}}_1 \oplus \widetilde{\mathcal{S}}_0 \otimes \mathcal{S}_1$, so

$$\mathcal{F}_{G} \cong \Pi \left(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{1}_{0} \times \mathbb{P}^{1}_{1}}(-1, -1) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{1}_{0} \times \mathbb{P}^{1}_{1}}(-1, -1) \right),$$
(32)

which, in turns, shows that

$$Sym^2 \mathcal{F}_G = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(-2, -2), \tag{33}$$

and one can prove the following.

Theorem 5 ($G(1|1; \mathbb{C}^{2|2})$) is Non-Projected). The supermanifold $G = G(1|1; \mathbb{C}^{2|2})$ is in general non-projected. In particular, $H^1(\mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}^1_h \times \mathbb{P}^1_h} \otimes Sym^2 \mathcal{F}_G) \cong \mathbb{C} \oplus \mathbb{C}$.

(26)

Proof. In order to compute the cohomology group $H^1(\mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1} \otimes Sym^2 \mathcal{F}_G)$, we observe that in general, on the product of two varieties, we have $\mathcal{T}_{X \times Y} \cong p_1^* \mathcal{T}_X \oplus p_2^* \mathcal{T}_Y$, where the p_i are the projections on the factors, so that, in particular, we find

$$\mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1} \cong \pi_0^* \mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0} \oplus \pi_1^* \mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}^1_1} \cong \pi_0^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0}(2) \oplus \pi_1^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_1}(2) = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(2, 0) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(0, 2).$$

Taking the tensor product with $Sym^2 \mathcal{F}_G$, one has

$$\mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}_{0}^{1}\times\mathbb{P}_{1}^{1}}\otimes Sym^{2}\mathcal{F}_{G} \cong \left(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_{0}^{1}\times\mathbb{P}_{1}^{1}}(2,0)\oplus\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_{0}^{1}\times\mathbb{P}_{1}^{1}}(0,2)\right)\otimes\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_{0}^{1}\times\mathbb{P}_{1}^{1}}(-2,-2) \\ \cong\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_{0}^{1}\times\mathbb{P}_{1}^{1}}(0,-2)\oplus\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_{0}^{1}\times\mathbb{P}_{1}^{1}}(-2,0) \qquad (34)$$

Now, by the Künneth formula, one has

$$H^{n}\left(X \times Y, p_{1}^{*}\mathcal{F}_{X} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{X \times Y}} p_{2}^{*}\mathcal{G}_{Y}\right) \cong \bigoplus_{i+j=n} H^{i}\left(X, \mathcal{F}_{X}\right) \otimes H^{j}(Y, \mathcal{F}_{Y}),$$
(35)

so that

$$\begin{aligned} H^{1}(\mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}^{1}_{0} \times \mathbb{P}^{1}_{1}} \otimes Sym^{2}\mathcal{F}_{G}) & \cong H^{1}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{1}_{0} \times \mathbb{P}^{1}_{1}}(0, -2) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{1}_{0} \times \mathbb{P}^{1}_{1}}(-2, 0)) \\ & \cong H^{1}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{1}_{0} \times \mathbb{P}^{1}_{1}}(0, -2)) \oplus H^{1}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{1}_{0} \times \mathbb{P}^{1}_{1}}(-2, 0)) \\ & \cong H^{0}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{1}_{0}}) \otimes H^{1}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{1}_{1}})(-2) \oplus H^{1}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{1}_{0}})(-2) \otimes H^{0}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{1}_{1}}) , \end{aligned}$$
(36)
$$& \cong \mathbb{C} \oplus \mathbb{C}$$

which concludes the proof. \Box

There are different ways to find the representatives in the obstruction cohomology group for *G*. We will first use the super big cells of $G(1|1; \mathbb{C}^{2|2})$ to identifies these representatives and to establish that in the isomorphisms $H^1(\mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1} \otimes Sym^2 \mathcal{F}_G) \cong \mathbb{C} \oplus \mathbb{C}$, the cohomology class corresponds to the choice $\omega_G = (1, 1)$. This is an explicit and immediate way to do this.

First, we observe that, since the reduced manifold underlying $G(1|1; \mathbb{C}^{2|2})$ has the topology of $\mathbb{P}_0^1 \times \mathbb{P}_1^1$, it is covered by four open sets. If we call $\mathcal{U}^{(0)} = {\mathcal{U}_{\ell}^{(0)}}_{\ell=0,1}$ the usual open sets covering \mathbb{P}_0^1 and $\mathcal{U}^{(1)} = {\mathcal{U}_{\ell}^{(1)}}_{\ell=0,1}$, the open sets covering \mathbb{P}_1^1 , we then have a system of open sets covering their product $\mathbb{P}_0^1 \times \mathbb{P}_1^1$ given by

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{U}_{1} &:= \mathcal{U}_{0}^{(0)} \times \mathcal{U}_{0}^{(1)} = \left\{ ([X_{0} : X_{1}], [Y_{0} : Y_{1}]) \in \mathbb{P}_{0}^{1} \times \mathbb{P}_{1}^{1} : X_{0} \neq 0, \ Y_{0} \neq 0 \right\} \\
\mathcal{U}_{2} &:= \mathcal{U}_{1}^{(0)} \times \mathcal{U}_{0}^{(1)} = \left\{ ([X_{0} : X_{1}], [Y_{0} : Y_{1}]) \in \mathbb{P}_{0}^{1} \times \mathbb{P}_{1}^{1} : X_{1} \neq 0, \ Y_{0} \neq 0 \right\} \\
\mathcal{U}_{3} &:= \mathcal{U}_{0}^{(0)} \times \mathcal{U}_{1}^{(1)} = \left\{ ([X_{0} : X_{1}], [Y_{0} : Y_{1}]) \in \mathbb{P}_{0}^{1} \times \mathbb{P}_{1}^{1} : X_{0} \neq 0, \ Y_{1} \neq 0 \right\} \\
\mathcal{U}_{3} &:= \mathcal{U}_{1}^{(0)} \times \mathcal{U}_{1}^{(1)} = \left\{ ([X_{0} : X_{1}], [Y_{0} : Y_{1}]) \in \mathbb{P}_{0}^{1} \times \mathbb{P}_{1}^{1} : X_{1} \neq 0, \ Y_{1} \neq 0 \right\}
\end{aligned}$$
(37)

These correspond to the following matrices Z_{U_i} , out of which we can read the coordinates on the big cells:

$$\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{U}_{1}} := \left(\frac{1 \quad x_{1} \parallel 0 \quad \xi_{1}}{0 \quad \eta_{1} \parallel 1 \quad y_{1}} \right) \qquad \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{U}_{2}} := \left(\frac{x_{2} \quad 1 \parallel 0 \quad \xi_{2}}{\eta_{2} \quad 0 \parallel 1 \quad y_{2}} \right)$$
(38)

$$\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{U}_{3}} := \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & x_{3} & \xi_{3} & 0 \\ \hline 0 & \eta_{3} & y_{3} & 1 \end{array} \right) \qquad \mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{U}_{4}} := \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} x_{4} & 1 & \xi_{4} & 0 \\ \hline \eta_{4} & 0 & y_{4} & 1 \end{array} \right).$$
(39)

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Following the procedure illustrated above or by rows and columns operations on the Z_{U_i} , one finds the transition rules between the various charts:

$$\mathcal{U}_{1} \cap \mathcal{U}_{2} \rightsquigarrow \begin{cases}
x_{1} = x_{2}^{-1} \\
\xi_{1} = \xi_{2}x_{2}^{-1} \\
\eta_{1} = -\eta_{2}x_{2}^{-1} \\
y_{1} = y_{2} + \xi_{2}\eta_{2}x_{2}^{-1}
\end{cases} \qquad \mathcal{U}_{1} \cap \mathcal{U}_{3} \rightsquigarrow \begin{cases}
x_{1} = x_{3} - \xi_{3}\eta_{3}y_{3}^{-1} \\
\xi_{1} = -\xi_{3}y_{3}^{-1} \\
\eta_{1} = \eta_{3}y_{3}^{-1} \\
y_{1} = y_{3}^{-1}
\end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{U}_{1} \cap \mathcal{U}_{4} \rightsquigarrow \begin{cases}
x_{1} = x_{4}^{-1} + \xi_{4}\eta_{4}x_{4}^{-2}y_{4}^{-1} \\
\xi_{1} = -\xi_{4}x_{4}^{-1}y_{4}^{-1} \\
\eta_{1} = -\eta_{4}x_{4}^{-1}y_{4}^{-1} \\
\eta_{1} = -\eta_{4}x_{4}^{-1}y_{4}^{-1}
\end{cases} \qquad \mathcal{U}_{2} \cap \mathcal{U}_{3} \rightsquigarrow \begin{cases}
x_{2} = x_{3}^{-1} + \xi_{3}\eta_{3}x_{3}^{-2}y_{3}^{-1} \\
\xi_{2} = -\xi_{3}x_{3}^{-1}y_{3}^{-1} \\
\eta_{2} = -\eta_{3}x_{3}^{-1}y_{3}^{-1} \\
\eta_{2} = -\eta_{3}x_{3}^{-1}y_{3}^{-1}
\end{cases} \qquad . \tag{40}$$

$$\mathcal{U}_{2} \cap \mathcal{U}_{4} \rightsquigarrow \begin{cases}
x_{2} = x_{4} - \xi_{4}\eta_{4}y_{4}^{-1} \\
\xi_{2} = -\xi_{4}y_{4}^{-1} \\
\eta_{2} = \eta_{4}y_{4}^{-1} \\
\eta_{2} = \eta_{4}y_{4}^{-1}
\end{cases} \qquad \mathcal{U}_{3} \cap \mathcal{U}_{4} \rightsquigarrow \begin{cases}
x_{3} = x_{4}^{-1} \\
\xi_{3} = \xi_{4}x_{4}^{-1} \\
\eta_{3} = -\eta_{4}x_{4}^{-1} \\
\eta_{3} = -\eta_{4}x_{4}^{-1} \\
\eta_{3} = -\eta_{4}x_{4}^{-1} \\
\eta_{3} = -\eta_{4}x_{4}^{-1}
\end{cases}$$

By looking at these transformation rules, we therefore have that, in the isomorphism above, the class is represented by $(1,1) \in \mathbb{C} \oplus \mathbb{C}$ and the cocycles representing ω are given by $\omega = (\omega_{12}, \omega_{13}, \omega_{14}, \omega_{23}, \omega_{24}, \omega_{34})$, where the ω_{ij} are (in tensor notation)

$$\omega_{12} = \frac{\xi_2 \eta_2}{x_2} \otimes \partial_{y_1}, \qquad \qquad \omega_{13} = -\frac{\xi_3 \eta_3}{y_3} \otimes \partial_{x_1} \\
\omega_{14} = +\frac{\xi_4 \eta_4}{x_4^2 y_4} \otimes \partial_{x_1} - \frac{\xi_4 \eta_4}{x_4 y_4^2} \otimes \partial_{y_1} \qquad \omega_{23} = +\frac{\xi_3 \eta_3}{x_3^2 y_3} \otimes \partial_{x_2} - \frac{\xi_3 \eta_3}{x_3 y_3^2} \otimes \partial_{y_2} \qquad (41)$$

$$\omega_{24} = -\frac{\xi_4 \eta_4}{y_4} \otimes \partial_{x_2} \qquad \qquad \omega_{34} = +\frac{\xi_1 \eta_4}{x_4} \otimes \partial_{y_3}.$$

One can arrive at the same result by means of a different computation, as remarked above. Observing that $H^1(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(-2, 0)) \oplus H^1(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(0, -2))$ is generated by the two elements

$$H^{1}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{1}_{0} \times \mathbb{P}^{1}_{1}}(-2,0)) \oplus H^{1}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{1}_{0} \times \mathbb{P}^{1}_{1}}(0,-2)) \cong \left\langle \frac{1}{X_{0}X_{1}} \boxtimes 1, \ 1 \boxtimes \frac{1}{Y_{0}Y_{1}} \right\rangle_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{1}_{0} \otimes \mathbb{P}^{1}_{1}}},$$
(42)

we can then look at these generators in the intersections, keeping in mind that $\mathcal{F}_G \cong \Pi \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(-1, -1) \oplus \Pi \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(-1, -1)$, in order to identify the cocycles that enter in the transition functions. We examine the various intersections.

• $U_1 \cap U_2$: The following identifications can be made:

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_1 &= \Pi \left(\frac{1}{X_0} \boxtimes \frac{1}{Y_0}, 0 \right) \qquad \eta_1 = \Pi \left(0, \frac{1}{X_0} \boxtimes \frac{1}{Y_0} \right) \\ \xi_2 &= \Pi \left(\frac{1}{X_1} \boxtimes \frac{1}{Y_0}, 0 \right) \qquad \eta_2 = \Pi \left(0, \frac{1}{X_1} \boxtimes \frac{1}{Y_0} \right) \end{aligned}$$
(43)

These yield the transition functions above between ξ_1 and ξ_2 and between η_1 and η_2 . Notice that, in the intersection $\mathcal{U}_1 \cap \mathcal{U}_2$, only the bit $H^1(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(-2, 0))$ contributes. We have therefore

$$\omega_{12} = \pm \ell_1 \left(\frac{1}{X_0 X_1} \boxtimes 1 \right) = \pm \ell_1 \left(\frac{1}{X_0 X_1} \boxtimes \frac{Y_0^2}{Y_0^2} \right) = \pm \ell_1 \left(\frac{1}{X_0 X_1} \boxtimes \frac{1}{Y_0^2} \right) \otimes \partial_{y_1}
= \pm \ell_1 \left(\frac{X_1}{X_0} \right) \left(\Pi \left(\frac{1}{X_1} \boxtimes \frac{1}{Y_0}, 0 \right) \odot \Pi \left(0, \frac{1}{X_1} \boxtimes \frac{1}{Y_0} \right) \right) \otimes \partial_{y_1}
= \pm \ell_1 \frac{\xi_2 \eta_2}{x_2} \otimes \partial_{y_1}$$
(44)

where we have denoted by \odot the supersymmetric product of the two (local) sections on \mathcal{F}_G , as represented above.

• $\mathcal{U}_1 \cap \mathcal{U}_3$: Here we have a contribution from $H^1(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(0, -2))$ only and, therefore, we have to deal with $\omega_{13} = \ell_2 (1 \boxtimes 1/Y_0 Y_1)$. By a completely analogous treatment as above, one finds that

$$\omega_{13} = \pm \ell_2 \left(1 \boxtimes \frac{1}{Y_0 Y_1} \right) = \pm \ell_2 \frac{\xi_3 \eta_3}{y_3} \otimes \partial_{x_1}.$$
(45)

• $U_1 \cap U_4$: In this case, we have both contributions, so

$$\omega_{14} = \pm \ell_1 \left(\frac{1}{X_0 X_1} \boxtimes 1 \right) \pm \ell_2 \left(1 \boxtimes \frac{1}{Y_0 Y_1} \right), \tag{46}$$

so that by analogous manipulations as the one above one finds

$$\omega_{14} = \pm \ell_1 \frac{\xi_4 \eta_4}{x_4 y_4^2} \otimes \partial_{y_1} \pm \ell_2 \frac{\xi_4 \eta_4}{x_4^2 y_4} \otimes \partial_{x_1}. \tag{47}$$

All the other ω_{ij} are identified in the same way and enter one of these three categories.

To conclude, one then imposes the cocycle conditions as to fix the various signs of the ℓ_1 and ℓ_2 above, which agrees with the one we found above by looking at the coordinates of the big cells: choosing ($\ell_1 = 1, \ell_2 = 1$)—this can always be done up to a change of coordinates—one obtains the same even transition functions as above.

This is enough to use the theorem classifying the complex supermanifold of dimension n|2 (see [1] or [4]) as to conclude that $G(1|1; \mathbb{C}^{2|2})$ can be defined up to isomorphism as follows.

Definition 11 ($G(1|1; \mathbb{C}^{2|2})$) as a Non-Projected Supermanifold). The super Grassmannian $G(1|1; \mathbb{C}^{2|2})$ can be defined up to isomorphism as the 2|2 dimensional supermanifold characterized by the triple $(\mathbb{P}_0^1 \times \mathbb{P}_1^1, \mathcal{F}_G, \omega_G)$, where $\mathcal{F}_G = \Pi \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_0^1 \times \mathbb{P}_1^1}(-1, -1) \oplus \Pi \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_0^1 \times \mathbb{P}_1^1}(-1, -1)$ and where $\omega_G = (\ell_1, \ell_2)$, with $\ell_1 \neq 0$ and $\ell_2 \neq 0$, in the isomorphism $\omega_G \in H^1(\mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}_0^1 \times \mathbb{P}_1^1} \otimes Sym^2 \mathcal{F}_G) \cong \mathbb{C} \oplus \mathbb{C}$.

On a very general ground, apart from projective superspaces, super Grassmannians are in general non-projected: the case of $G(1|1; \mathbb{C}^{2|2})$ we treated is the first non-trivial example of non-projected super Grassmannian.

Now, we jump to the second issue we are interested in: We show that $G(1|1; \mathbb{C}^{2|2})$ is *not* a projective supermanifold.

Theorem 6 ($G(1|1; \mathbb{C}^{2|2})$ is Non-Projective). Let $G(1|1; \mathbb{C}^{2|2})$ be super Grassmannian defined as above. Then $G(1|1; \mathbb{C}^{2|2})$ is non-projective. **Proof.** In order to prove the non-projectivity of $G := G(1|1; \mathbb{C}^{2|2})$, we consider the following short exact sequence that comes from the structural exact sequence of *G*:

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(-2, -2) \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}^*_{G, 0} \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}^*_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1} \longrightarrow 0.$$

$$(48)$$

Ordinary results in algebraic geometry yield $H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(-2, -2)) = 0 = H^1(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(-2, -2))$, whereas $H^2(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(-2, -2)) \cong \mathbb{C}$. Likewise, one has $H^0(\mathcal{O}^*_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}) \cong \mathbb{C}^*$ and $\operatorname{Pic}(\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1) = H^1(\mathcal{O}^*_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}) \cong \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$, by means of the ordinary exponential exact sequence. This is enough to realize that the cohomology sequence induced by the sequence above splits into two exact sequences. The first one gives an isomorphism $H^0(\mathcal{O}_{G,0}) \cong \mathbb{C}^*$, while the second one instead reads

$$0 \longrightarrow H^{1}(\mathcal{O}_{G,0}^{*}) \longrightarrow \operatorname{Pic}(\mathbb{P}_{0}^{1} \times \mathbb{P}_{1}^{1}) \cong \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow H^{2}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_{0}^{1} \times \mathbb{P}_{1}^{1}}(-2,-2)) \cong \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow \cdots .$$
(49)

Thus, in order to establish the fate of the cohomology group $H^1(\mathcal{O}^*_{G,0})$, one has to look at the boundary map δ : Pic($\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1$) $\rightarrow H^2(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(-2, -2))$. Let us then consider the following diagram of cochain complexes:

obtained by combining Equation (48) with the Čech cochain complexes of the sheaves that appear.

Since $\langle \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(1,0), \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(0,1) \rangle_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}} \cong \operatorname{Pic}(\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1)$, given the usual cover of $\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1$ by the open sets \mathcal{U}_i above, $\mathcal{O}^*_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(1,0)$ could be represented by (six) cocycles $g_{ij} \in Z^1(\mathcal{U}_i \cap \mathcal{U}_j, \mathcal{O}^*_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1})$. Explicitly, these cocycles are the transition functions of the line bundle

$$\mathcal{O}^*_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(1,0) \longleftrightarrow \left\{ g_{12} = \frac{X_1}{X_0}, g_{13} = 1, g_{14} = \frac{X_1}{X_0}, g_{23} = \frac{X_0}{X_1}, g_{24} = 1, g_{34} = \frac{X_1}{X_0} \right\}$$

where, with an abuse of notation, we dismiss the second bit of the external tensor product, which is just the identity. Since the map $j : C^1(\mathcal{O}_{G,0}^*) \to C^1(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_0^1 \times \mathbb{P}_1^1}^*)$ is surjective, these cocycles are images of elements in $C^1(\mathcal{O}_{G,0}^*)$. Notice that j is induced by the inclusion of the reduced variety $\mathbb{P}_0^1 \times \mathbb{P}_1^1$ into G, so the cochains in $C^1(\mathcal{O}_{G,0}^*)$ are exactly the $\{g_{ij}\}_{i,j\in I}$ we have written above (notice also that these are no longer cocycles in $\mathcal{O}_{G,0}^*$). Using the Čech coboundary map $\delta(j^*\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_0^1 \times \mathbb{P}_1^1}(1,0))$ over G, one finds, for example,

$$g_{12} \cdot g_{23} \cdot g_{31} |_{\mathcal{U}_1 \cap \mathcal{U}_2 \cap \mathcal{U}_3} = 1 \boxtimes 1 + \frac{1}{X_0 X_1} \boxtimes \frac{1}{Y_0 Y_1}.$$
(51)

Indeed, by looking at the affine coordinates in the big cells, these read $x_2x_3 = 1 + \frac{\xi_2\eta_2}{x_2y_2}$. Setting, as we have done above,

$$\xi_2 = \Pi\left(\frac{1}{X_1} \boxtimes \frac{1}{Y_0}, 0\right), \qquad \eta_2 = \Pi\left(0, \frac{1}{X_1} \boxtimes \frac{1}{Y_0}\right), \tag{52}$$

and taking their supersymmetric product, one has $\frac{\xi_2\eta_2}{x_2y_2} = \frac{1}{X_0X_1} \boxtimes \frac{1}{Y_0Y_1}$. Now, by exactness of the diagram, this element is in the kernel of the map $j : C^2(\mathcal{O}_{G,0}^*) \to C^2(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}^*)$, which equals the image of the map $i : C^2(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}^*(-2,-2)) \to C^2(\mathcal{O}_{G,0}^*)$, therefore there exists an element

 $N \in C^2(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(-2, -2))$ such that $i(N) = 1 \boxtimes 1 + \frac{1}{X_0 X_1} \boxtimes \frac{1}{Y_0 Y_1}$ and it is a cocycle. Then, considering that the map i is induced by the map $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(-2, -2) \ni a \boxtimes b \mapsto 1 \boxtimes 1 + a \boxtimes b \in \mathcal{O}^*_{G,0}$, we have that the element $1 \boxtimes + \frac{1}{X_0 X_1} \boxtimes \frac{1}{Y_0 Y_1}$ is the image of $1 \frac{1}{X_0 X_1} \boxtimes \frac{1}{Y_0 Y_1}$ via i. By symmetry, the same applies to the second generator of $\operatorname{Pic}(\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1)$, which is given by $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(0, 1)$; thus, the map δ : $\operatorname{Pic}(\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1) \cong \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \to H^2(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(-2, -2)) \cong \mathbb{C}$ reads $\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z} \ni (a, b) \longmapsto a + b \in \mathbb{C}$. By exactness, it follows that the only invertible sheaves on $\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1$ that lift to the whole G are those of the kind $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1_1}(a, -a)$, as the composition of the maps yields $(a, -a) \mapsto (a, -a) \mapsto a - a = 0$ as it should. Since these invertible sheaves have no cohomology, they cannot give any embedding in projective superspaces, and this completes the proof. \Box

Notice the subtlety: the above theorem says that $\operatorname{Pic}(\mathbb{P}_0^1 \times \mathbb{P}_1^1) \neq 0$ (actually $\operatorname{Pic}(\mathbb{P}_0^1 \times \mathbb{P}_1^1) \cong \mathbb{Z}$), but still there are no *ample* invertible sheaves that allow for an embedding of $G(1|1; \mathbb{C}^{2|2})$ into some projective superspaces.

The fundamental consequence is that non-projectivity is not confined to this particular super Grassmannian only.

Theorem 7 (Super Grassmannians are Non-Projective). *The super Grassmannian space* $G(a|b; \mathbb{C}^{m|n})$ *for* 0 < a < n and 0 < b < m is non-projective.

Proof. As in [1], it is enough to observe that the inclusion $\mathbb{C}^{2|2} \subset \mathbb{C}^{a+1|b+1}$ induces in turn the inclusion $G(1|1;\mathbb{C}^{2|2}) \hookrightarrow G(1|1;\mathbb{C}^{a+1|b+1})$. This last super Grassmannian is isomorphic, as for the usual Grassmannians, to $G(a|b;(\mathbb{C}^{a+1|b+1})^*)$, which in turn embeds into $G(a|b;\mathbb{C}^{n|m})$. This leads to $G(1|1;\mathbb{C}^{2|2}) \hookrightarrow G(a|b;\mathbb{C}^{n|m})$: as $G(1|1;\mathbb{C}^{2|2})$ is non-projective, and so is $G(a|b;\mathbb{C}^{n|m})$, completing the proof. \Box

The upshot of this result is that, working in the context of algebraic supergeometry, it is no longer true that projective superspaces are a privileged ambient: this is a substantial departure from usual context of complex algebraic geometry, which deserves to be stressed out.

5. Maps and Embeddings into a Super Grassmannian: An Explicit Example

Having reviewed the geometry of super Grassmannians in the previous section, we now consider the problem of setting up *maps* to super Grassmannians.

First we recall the universal property characterizing the construction of maps into projective superspaces $\mathbb{P}^{n|m}$, which is nothing but a direct generalization of the usual criterium in algebraic geometry for projective spaces \mathbb{P}^n , using invertible sheaves, i.e., for any supermanifold or superscheme \mathcal{M} , any locally free sheaf \mathcal{L} of rank 1|0 on \mathcal{M} and any vector superspace V having a surjective sheaf-theoretical map $V \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} \to \mathcal{L}$, then there exists a unique (up to isomorphisms) map $\Phi_{\mathcal{L}} : \mathcal{M} \to \mathbb{P}^{n|m}$ such that the inclusion $\mathcal{L}^* \to V^* \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}$ is the pull-back of the inclusion $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n|m}}(-1) \to \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n|m}}^{\oplus n+1|m}$ coming from the Euler exact sequence. More concretely, this is sometimes reported simply asking \mathcal{L} to be globally generated, which means that there exists a surjective sheaf-theoretical map $H^0(\mathcal{L}) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} \to \mathcal{E}$, with dim $H^0(\mathcal{L}) = n + 1|m$. If this is the case, there exists a unique map up to isomorphism $\Phi_{\mathcal{L}} : \mathcal{M} \to \mathbb{P}^{n|m}$ such that $\mathcal{E} = \Phi_{\mathcal{L}}^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n|m}}(1))$ and such that, if $H^0(\mathcal{L}) = \operatorname{span}_{\mathbb{C}}\{s_i|\xi_j\}$, then $s_i = \Phi_{\mathcal{L}}^*(X_i)$ and $\xi_j = \Phi_{\mathcal{L}}^*(\Theta_j)$ for $i = 0, \ldots, n$ and $j = 1, \ldots, m$, where $X_i|\Theta_j$ are the generating sections of $H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n|m}}(1))$, where we recall also that $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n|m}}(1) := \pi^*\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1) = \pi^{-1}\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1) \otimes_{\pi^{-1}\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n|m}}$. See [11], where invertible sheaves on projective superspaces are studied.

A very similar situation happens in the case of super Grassmannians, but instead of invertible sheaves one has to deal with locally free sheaves of higher rank/vector bundles, in order to appropriately set up maps. Indeed, let G = G(a|b, V) be a super Grassmannian. Then it is has the following *universal property* that characterizes the maps toward it [4]:

Universal Property: For any supermanifold or superscheme \mathcal{M} , any locally free sheaf of $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}$ -modules \mathcal{E} of rank a|b on \mathcal{M} and any vector superspace V with a surjective sheaf-theoretical map $V \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} \to \mathcal{E}$, there exists a *unique* map $\Phi : \mathcal{M} \to G(a|b, V)$ such that the inclusion $\mathcal{E}^* \to V^* \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}$ is the pull-back of the inclusion $\mathcal{S}_G \to \mathcal{O}_G^{\oplus n|m}$ from the sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{S}_G \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_G^{\oplus n|m} \longrightarrow \widetilde{\mathcal{S}}_G^* \longrightarrow 0$$
(53)

where S_G is the tautological sheaf of the super Grassmannian.

Using the universal property above, we now explicitly show that there exists a map from a non-projected non-projective supermanifold of the family $\mathbb{P}^2_{\omega}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}})$, namely that one characterized by the decomposable fermionic sheaf $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}} := \Pi \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-1) \oplus \Pi \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-2)$, to a certain super Grassmannian, namely $G(2|2, \mathbb{C}^{12}|^{12})$.

For future use, we start giving in the following lemma the explicit form of the transition functions of this supermanifold in the case one chooses a decomposable fermionic sheaf, as the one above.

Lemma 2 (Transition functions). Let $\mathbb{P}^2_{\omega}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}})$ be the non-projected supermanifold with $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}} = \Pi \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-1) \oplus \Pi \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-2)$. Then its transition functions take the following form:

$$\mathcal{U}_{0} \cap \mathcal{U}_{1}: \qquad z_{10} = \frac{1}{z_{11}}, \qquad z_{20} = \frac{z_{21}}{z_{11}} + \lambda \frac{\theta_{11}\theta_{21}}{(z_{11})^{2}}; \qquad \theta_{10} = \frac{\theta_{11}}{z_{11}}, \qquad \theta_{20} = \frac{\theta_{21}}{(z_{11})^{2}}; \\ \mathcal{U}_{1} \cap \mathcal{U}_{2}: \qquad z_{11} = \frac{z_{12}}{z_{22}} + \lambda \frac{\theta_{12}\theta_{22}}{(z_{22})^{2}}, \qquad z_{21} = \frac{1}{z_{22}}; \qquad \theta_{11} = \frac{\theta_{12}}{z_{22}}, \qquad \theta_{21} = \frac{\theta_{22}}{(z_{22})^{2}}; \quad (54) \\ \mathcal{U}_{2} \cap \mathcal{U}_{0}: \qquad z_{12} = \frac{1}{z_{20}}, \qquad z_{22} = \frac{z_{10}}{z_{20}} + \lambda \frac{\theta_{10}\theta_{20}}{(z_{20})^{2}}; \qquad \theta_{12} = \frac{\theta_{10}}{z_{10}}, \qquad \theta_{22} = \frac{\theta_{20}}{(z_{10})^{2}}.$$

Proof. The conclusion follows immediately from Theorem 2, taking into account the transition matrix for the given $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}}$, which have the form $M = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{z_{01}} & 0\\ 0 & \frac{1}{z_{01}^2} \end{pmatrix}$ on $\mathcal{U}_0 \cap \mathcal{U}_1$ and a similar form on the other two intersections of the fundamental open sets. \Box

Now we have to identify a suitable locally free sheaf to set up the map into the super Grassmannian: A natural choice is given by the *tangent sheaf* $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$ of $\mathcal{M} = \mathbb{P}^2_{\omega}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}})$ —which is obviously a rank 2|2 locally free sheaf in the case we are dealing with—and, possibly, its higher-symmetric powers $Sym^k\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$: we will see that, in this case, $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$ is actually enough and one does not need to resort to its higher symmetric products.

In the following, we will show that the vector superspace of global sections of the tangent sheaf $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$, that is the 0-Čech cohomology space $H^0(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}})$, is isomorphic to $\mathbb{C}^{12|12}$ and that one has a *surjective* map $H^0(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} \to \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$, that is the tangent sheaf $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$ is *globally generated*. As in the universal property above, this implies that the choices of the tangent sheaf $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$ for \mathcal{E} and of $H^0(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}})$ for V lead to the existence of a (unique) map $\mathcal{M} \to G(2|2, \mathbb{C}^{12|12})$.

In order to prove the above statement, one needs to carefully study the tangent sheaf $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$. We start considering the restriction of the tangent sheaf to the reduced manifold \mathbb{P}^2 , that is

$$\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \lfloor_{\mathbb{P}^2} = \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}_{red}}.$$
(55)

It is a general result that $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \lfloor_{\mathcal{M}_{red}} \cong \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}_{red}} \oplus \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}}^*$, see for example [1] or [3]. This result can be readily read off once one has the explicit form of the transition functions of the tangent sheaf. Indeed, using the chain rule and starting from the above lemma, with obvious notation, one finds

$$\begin{aligned}
\partial_{z_{10}} &= -(z_{11})^2 \partial_{z_{11}} + [-z_{11}z_{21} + \theta_{11}\theta_{21}] \partial_{z_{21}} - \theta_{11}z_{11}\partial_{\theta_{11}} - 2\theta_{21}z_{11}\partial_{\theta_{21}} \\
\partial_{z_{20}} &= z_{11}\partial_{z_{21}} \\
\partial_{\theta_{10}} &= -\theta_{21}\partial_{z_{21}} + z_{11}\partial_{\theta_{11}} \\
\partial_{\theta_{20}} &= z_{11}\theta_{11}\partial_{z_{21}} + (z_{11})^2\partial_{\theta_{21}}
\end{aligned}$$
(56)

so that the related Jacobian has the following matrix representation

$$[Jac_{10}] = \begin{pmatrix} -(z_{11})^2 & -z_{11}z_{21} + \theta_{11}\theta_{21} & -\theta_{11}z_{11} & -2\theta_{21}z_{11} \\ 0 & z_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & -\theta_{21} & z_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & z_{11}\theta_{11} & 0 & (z_{11})^2 \end{pmatrix}.$$
 (57)

The transition functions in the other intersections can be found by S_3 -symmetry.

We now recall that, having at disposal the structure sheaf of $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}$, we can also form a sub-*superscheme* of \mathcal{M} through the pair $(\mathbb{P}^2, \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}^{(2)}) := \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} / \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^2)$. We stress that this is not a supermanifold: indeed it fails to be locally isomorphic to any local model of the kind $\mathbb{C}^{m|n}$: more generally, it is locally isomorphic to an affine superscheme for some super ring. We call $\mathcal{M}^{(2)}$ the superscheme defined by the pair $(\mathbb{P}^2, \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}^{(2)})$ and we characterize its geometry in the following lemma.

Lemma 3 (The Superscheme $\mathcal{M}^{(2)}$). Let $\mathcal{M}^{(2)}$ be the superscheme as above. Then \mathcal{M} is a projected scheme and its structure sheaf $\mathcal{O}^{(2)}_{\mathcal{M}}$ is given by a locally free sheaf of $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}$ -algebras such that

$$\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}^{(2)} \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2} \oplus \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}}.$$
 (58)

Proof. It is enough to observe that the parity splitting of the structure sheaf reads $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}^{(2)} = \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M},0} / \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^2 \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M},1} / \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^2$, so the defining short exact sequence for the even part reduces to an isomorphism $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M},0}^{(2)} \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}$. The structure sheaf is endowed with a structure of $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}$ -module given by $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2} \oplus \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}}$, which actually coincides with the parity splitting.

We observe that in the $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}$ -algebra $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}^{(2)} \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2} \oplus \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}}$, the product $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}} \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}} \to \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}$ is null. \Box

Pushing the characterization of the tangent sheaf a little bit further, we have to study the geometry of tangent bundle $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$ when restricted to the sub-superscheme $\mathcal{M}^{(2)}$. Once again, it can be proved that the following general isomorphism holds true:

$$\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}|_{\mathcal{M}^{(2)}} \cong \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}_{red}} \oplus \mathcal{E}nd(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}}) \oplus \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}}^* \oplus (\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}_{red}} \otimes \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}})$$
(59)

where the first two summands are the even part and the second two summands are the odd part of the sheaf. In particular, in our case one obtains

Lemma 4 (The Sheaf $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \mid_{\mathcal{M}^{(2)}}$). The sheaf $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \mid_{\mathcal{M}^{(2)}}$ is a locally free of $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}$ -module; moreover, the following isomorphism holds:

$$\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \mid_{\mathcal{M}^{(2)}} \cong \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} / \mathcal{J}^2 \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \cong \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \mid_{\mathbb{P}^2} \oplus \left(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \mid_{\mathbb{P}^2} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}} \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}} \right).$$
(60)

Proof. The claim is proved by computing

$$\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \downarrow_{\mathcal{M}^{(2)}} := \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}} \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}^{(2)}} \cong \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}} (\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{2}} \oplus \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}}) \cong \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \downarrow_{\mathbb{P}^{2}} \oplus \left(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \downarrow_{\mathbb{P}^{2}} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{2}}} \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}} \right)$$
(61)

where we have used that, since $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}}$ is a locally free sheaf of $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}$ -module, we have that $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}} \cong \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}$. The first isomorphism is a standard result in modules theory (note we have suppressed the subscript \mathcal{M} in the sheaf of nilpotent element $\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}$ for a better notation). \Box

For computational purposes, the sheaf $\mathcal{E}|_{\mathcal{M}^{(2)}}$ can be made more explicit in its $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}$ -module structure, indeed by making explicit its components, one finds

$$\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}/\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2}\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \cong \left[\mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}^{2}} \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{2}}(1) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{2}}^{\oplus 2} \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{2}}(-1)\right] \oplus \Pi\left[\mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}^{2}}(-2) \oplus \mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}^{2}}(-1) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{2}}(2) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{2}}(1)\right].$$
(62)

This decomposition will be useful once we have to compute the cohomology.

In order to compute the number of the global sections of the tangent sheaf of \mathcal{M} , to identify the supposed target super Grassmannian, we actually need one further sheaf, which we will study in the following lemma.

Lemma 5 (The Sheaf $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}} \mathcal{J}^2_{\mathcal{M}}$). The sheaf $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}} \mathcal{J}^2_{\mathcal{M}}$ is isomorphic to $\mathcal{J}^2 \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$. Moreover, it is a locally free sheaf of $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}$ -modules and, as such, it is isomorphic to $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \mid_{\mathbb{P}^2} (-3)$.

Proof. First of all we recall that $\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^2$ is a $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}$ -module as it is killed by multiplication by $\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}$. Moreover, the tangent sheaf $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$ is locally free and is therefore flat, so the functor $-\otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}} \mathcal{E}$ is exact. Let us then consider the short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} / \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} \longrightarrow 0.$$
(63)

By tensoring with $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$, we obtain the short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}} \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}} \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \cong \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} / \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}} \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \cong \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} / \mathcal{J}^{2} \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \longrightarrow 0,$$

which implies that $\mathcal{J}^2 \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}} \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$ is indeed isomorphic to $\mathcal{J}^2_{\mathcal{M}} \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$. Moreover, we have that $\mathcal{J}^2_{\mathcal{M}} \cong Sym^2 \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}}$, and, as such, it is a $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}$ -module. Moreover, since $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}} = \Pi \left(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-1) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-2) \right)$, we have that $Sym^2 \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}} \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-3)$. \Box

We are now in the position to study the global sections of the tangent sheaf $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$. The main tool we will use is the following exact sequence:

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{J}^2 \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} / \mathcal{J}^2_{\mathcal{M}} \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \longrightarrow 0$$
(64)

together with its long cohomology exact sequence. The previous lemmas together yield the following result.

Lemma 6. The zeroth and the first cohomology groups of the sheaves $\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^2 \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$ and $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} / \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^2 \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$ are given by

$$H^{0}(\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2}\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}) = 0 \qquad \qquad H^{1}(\mathcal{J}^{2}\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}) = \mathbb{C}^{1|0}$$
(65)

$$H^{0}\left(\mathcal{T}/\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2}\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}\right) = \mathbb{C}^{13|12} \qquad \qquad H^{1}\left(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}/\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^{2}\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}\right) = 0.$$
(66)

Proof. The result follows from a straightforward computation, once given the decomposition into direct sums of the sheaves above. \Box

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We are thus led to the following theorem, which is the main step toward the realization of an embedding into a super Grassmannian.

Theorem 8 (Global Sections of $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$). The tangent sheaf $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$ of $\mathbb{P}^2_{\omega}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}})$ has 12|12 global sections.

Proof. Using the results of the previous lemma, the long exact cohomology sequence given by (64) reads

$$0 \longrightarrow H^{0}(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}) \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^{13|12} \xrightarrow{\delta} \mathbb{C}^{1|0} \longrightarrow H^{1}(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}) \longrightarrow 0.$$
(67)

Therefore, since $H^1(\mathcal{J}^2_{\mathcal{M}}\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}) \cong \mathbb{C}^{1|0}$ is 1-dimensional, in order to prove surjectivity of the connection homomorphism $\delta : H^0(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}/\mathcal{J}^2_{\mathcal{M}}\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}) \to H^1(\mathcal{J}^2_{\mathcal{M}}\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}})$, it is enough to show that it is not zero. To this end, we observe that in the decomposition (62), there is a term of the kind $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}^{\oplus 2} \supset \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}/\mathcal{J}^2_{\mathcal{M}}\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$. It is easy to realize that the corresponding global sections $H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2} \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}) \subset H^0(\mathcal{E}/\mathcal{J}^2\mathcal{E})$ are of the form

$$s_1 = \theta_{1i} \otimes \partial_{\theta_{1i}} \qquad \qquad s_2 = \theta_{2i} \otimes \partial_{\theta_{2i}}, \tag{68}$$

which we write multiplicatively as $\theta_{1i}\partial_{\theta_{1i}}$ and $\theta_{2i}\partial_{\theta_{2i}}$ (both taken mod $\mathcal{J}^2_{\mathcal{M}}$). Indeed, changing coordinates, by means of the transformation rules obtained above, we obtain, for example,

$$\theta_{10}\partial_{\theta_{10}} = \theta_{11}\partial_{\theta_{11}} - \frac{\theta_{11}\theta_{21}}{z_{11}}\partial_{z_{21}} = \theta_{11}\partial_{\theta_{11}} \mod \mathcal{J}^2_{\mathcal{M}'}$$
(69)

and, on the other hand, we have

$$\left(\theta_{10}\partial_{\theta_{10}} - \theta_{10}\partial_{\theta_{10}}\right) \Big|_{\mathcal{U}_0 \cap \mathcal{U}_1} = \frac{\theta_{11}\theta_{21}}{z_{11}} \partial_{z_{21}} \in \mathcal{J}^2_{\mathcal{M}} \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}(\mathcal{U}_0 \cap \mathcal{U}_1).$$
(70)

That is, we have that $\delta(s_1) \neq 0$. Now, observing that $\frac{\theta_{11}\theta_{21}}{z_{11}}\partial_{z_{21}} = \frac{\theta_{11}\theta_{21}}{(z_{11})^2}\partial_{z_{20}}$, we conclude that

$$\left\{\theta_{11}\partial_{\theta_{11}}-\theta_{10}\partial_{\theta_{10}},\,\theta_{12}\partial_{\theta_{12}}-\theta_{11}\partial_{\theta_{11}},\,\theta_{10}\partial_{\theta_{10}}-\theta_{12}\partial_{\theta_{12}}\right\}\in Z^1(\mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-3))$$

represents the same cocycle of $\mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-3)$ that determines the non-vanishing class $\omega \in H^1(\mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-3))$, as we have described early on. Observing that $H^1(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}/\mathcal{J}^2_{\mathcal{M}}\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}) \cong H^1(\mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}^2} \otimes Sym^2\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}})$, we conclude that the connecting homomorphism is non-null and hence surjective. This splits the first part of the cohomology long exact sequence above in two pieces. In particular, we have

$$0 \longrightarrow H^{0}(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}) \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^{13|12} \xrightarrow{\delta} \mathbb{C}^{1|0} \longrightarrow 0, \tag{71}$$

which proves that $H^0(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}) \cong \mathbb{C}^{12|12}$. \Box

We are left to prove that the tangent sheaf $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$ is actually globally generated. This is achieved in the following lemma.

Lemma 7 ($\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$ is globally generated). The tangent sheaf $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$ of \mathcal{M} is such that the evaluation map $ev_{\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}}$: $H^{0}(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}} \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} \to \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$ is surjective. That is, $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$ is globally generated.

Proof. We let $W := H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2} \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}) \subset H^0(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}/\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^2\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}})$ and *V* be its complement into $H^0(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}/\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^2\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}})$, so that $V \oplus W = H^0(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}/\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{M}}^2\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}})$, and we call $U := H^0(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}})$. We have the following commutative diagram:



where $\mathbb{C}^{1|0}$ corresponds to $H^1(\mathcal{J}^2_{\mathcal{M}}\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}})$, as computed above. Then, by snake lemma, we have an exact sequence:

$$0 \longrightarrow \operatorname{coker} \tilde{i} \longrightarrow V \longrightarrow 0.$$
 (73)

Therefore, coker $\tilde{i} \cong V$, and we have a surjection $U \longrightarrow V$. In particular, since $H^0(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} |_{\mathbb{P}^2}) \subset V$, we have a surjective map $\psi : H^0(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}) \to H^0(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} |_{\mathbb{P}^2})$. Now, let us consider the evaluation map $ev_{\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}} : H^0(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}} \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} \to \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$, which is a homomorphism of locally free sheaves of $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}$ -modules. Upon using Nakayama Lemma (see for example [6]), it is enough to show that for all $x \in \mathbb{P}^2$, the linear map

$$ev_{\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}}(x): H^{0}(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}) \longrightarrow \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}(x)$$

$$s \longmapsto s(x),$$
(74)

which sends a global section *s* to its evaluation s(x) in $x \in \mathbb{P}^2$ is surjective. This map can in turn be factored through ψ as follows:

$$H^{0}(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}) \xrightarrow{\psi} H^{0}(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \lfloor_{\mathbb{P}^{2}}) \longrightarrow \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}(x) \qquad x \in \mathbb{P}^{2} .$$

$$(75)$$

Then, the first one has been just shown to be surjective, while the second one is well-known to be surjective as $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}} \mid_{\mathbb{P}^2}$ is a direct sum of globally generated sheaves of $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}$ -modules. This concludes the proof. \Box

The universal property, thus leads to the following.

Theorem 9 (Map to $G(2|2, \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}})$). There exists a unique map $\Phi_{\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}} : \mathcal{M} \longrightarrow G(2|2, \mathbb{C}^{12|12})$ up to isomorphism.

More can be said about this map, which is actually an *embedding* of \mathcal{M} into $G(2|2, \mathbb{C}^{12|12})$: that is, it is an injective map, and its differential $d\Phi_{\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}}$ is injective as well. We prove this in a completely explicit fashion by realizing the actual embedding in a certain chart.

We explain the strategy to do this in a general setting: once one has a map into a super Grassmannian and a local basis $\{e_1, \ldots, e_a | f_1, \ldots, f_b\}$ is fixed for \mathcal{E} over some open set \mathcal{U} , then, over \mathcal{U} ,

the evaluation map $V \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}} \to \mathcal{E}$ is defined by a $(a|b) \times (n|m)$ matrix $M_{\mathcal{U}}$ with coefficients in $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}}(\mathcal{U})$, and any reduction of $M_{\mathcal{U}}$ into a standard form of type

$$\mathcal{Z}_{I} := \begin{pmatrix} & & 1 & & & & & \\ & x_{I} & & \ddots & & 0 & & \xi_{I} \\ & & & 1 & & & \\ \hline & & & 1 & & & \\ & \xi_{I} & & 0 & & \ddots & & x_{I} \\ & & & & 1 & & & \\ \end{pmatrix},$$
(76)

by means of elementary row operations, is a local representation of the map $\Phi : \mathcal{M} \to G(a|b, \mathbb{C}^{n|m})$. One can then easily verify injectivity and the injectivity of the differential of this map via this local representation, to establish whether the map constitutes an embedding.

In order to do this, we need the explicit form of the global sections generating $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$. Notice that, to keep the discussion as general as possible we will keep a *parameter* $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ representing the cohomology class $\omega_{\mathcal{M}} \in H^1(\mathcal{T}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-3)) \cong \mathbb{C}$, which we recall to be the same λ appearing in the transition functions provided by Theorem 2.

Theorem 10 (Generators of $H^0(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}})$). The tangent sheaf $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$ of \mathcal{M} has 12|12 global sections and in particular, in the local chart \mathcal{U}_0 , a basis for $H^0(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}})$ is given by span_C { $\mathcal{V}_1, \ldots, \mathcal{V}_{12} | \Xi_1, \ldots, \Xi_{12}$ }, where

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{V}_{1} &= \partial_{z_{10}}, \quad \mathcal{V}_{2} = \partial_{z_{20}}, \quad \mathcal{V}_{3} = z_{20}\partial_{z_{10}}, \quad \mathcal{V}_{4} = z_{10}\partial_{z_{20}}, \quad \mathcal{V}_{5} = z_{10}\partial_{z_{10}} - z_{20}\partial_{z_{20}}, \\
\mathcal{V}_{6} &= \theta_{10}\partial_{\theta_{20}}, \quad \mathcal{V}_{7} = z_{10}\theta_{10}\partial_{\theta_{20}}, \quad \mathcal{V}_{8} = z_{20}\theta_{10}\partial_{\theta_{20}}, \\
\mathcal{V}_{9} &= \theta_{10}\partial_{\theta_{10}} + z_{20}\partial_{z_{20}}, \quad \mathcal{V}_{10} = \theta_{20}\partial_{\theta_{20}} + z_{20}\partial_{z_{20}}, \\
\mathcal{V}_{11} &= (z_{10})^{2}\partial_{z_{10}} + (z_{10}z_{20} + \lambda\theta_{10}\theta_{20})\partial_{z_{20}} + z_{10}\theta_{10}\partial_{\theta_{10}} + 2z_{10}\theta_{20}\partial_{\theta_{20}}, \\
\mathcal{V}_{12} &= (z_{10}z_{20} - \lambda\theta_{10}\theta_{20})\partial_{z_{10}} + (z_{20})^{2}\partial_{z_{20}} + z_{20}\theta_{10}\partial_{\theta_{10}} + 2z_{20}\theta_{20}\partial_{\theta_{20}}, \\
\Xi_{1} &= \partial_{\theta_{10}}, \quad \Xi_{2} &= \partial_{\theta_{20}}, \quad \Xi_{3} &= \theta_{10}\partial_{z_{10}}, \quad \Xi_{4} &= \theta_{10}\partial_{z_{20}}, \quad \Xi_{5} &= z_{10}\partial_{\theta_{20}}, \quad \Xi_{6} &= z_{20}\partial_{\theta_{20}}, \\
\Xi_{7} &= (z_{10})^{2}\partial_{\theta_{20}} - \lambda z_{10}\theta_{10}\partial_{z_{20}}, \quad \Xi_{8} &= (z_{20})^{2}\partial_{\theta_{20}} + \lambda z_{20}\theta_{10}\partial_{z_{10}}, \\
\Xi_{9} &= z_{10}\partial_{\theta_{10}} + \lambda\theta_{20}\partial_{z_{20}}, \quad \Xi_{10} &= -z_{20}\partial_{\theta_{10}} + \lambda\theta_{20}\partial_{z_{10}}, \\
\Xi_{11} &= z_{10}\theta_{10}\partial_{z_{10}} + z_{20}\theta_{10}\partial_{z_{20}} + 2\theta_{10}\theta_{20}\partial_{\theta_{20}}, \\
\Xi_{12} &= (z_{10}z_{20} - \lambda\theta_{10}\theta_{20})\partial_{\theta_{20}} - \lambda z_{20}\theta_{10}\partial_{z_{20}}
\end{aligned}$$
(77)

where $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ is a complex number representing the cohomology class $H^1(\mathcal{T}^2_{\mathbb{P}}(-3)) \cong \mathbb{C}$.

Proof. The theorem is proved by evaluating the 0-Čech cohomology group of $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$, by means of a computation in charts. \Box

Now, following that explained above, the coefficients of the expansion are mapped into 12|12 columns, so that the resulting matrix is a super Grassmannian of the kind $G(2|2, \mathbb{C}^{12|12})$, represented in a certain super big-cell. The full super Grassmannian is then reconstructed via its transition functions, as explained in the previous section.

In our particular case, the global sections lead to an image into $G(2|2, \mathbb{C}^{12|12})$ as follows:

$$\Phi_{\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}}(\mathcal{M}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & A_{1 \times 10} & 0 & 0 & B_{1 \times 10} \\ 0 & 1 & A_{2 \times 10} & 0 & 0 & B_{2 \times 10} \\ \hline 0 & 0 & C_{1 \times 10} & 1 & 0 & D_{1 \times 10} \\ 0 & 0 & C_{2 \times 10} & 0 & 1 & D_{2 \times 10} \end{pmatrix}$$
(78)

where we have highlighted the super big-cell singled out by the four global sections { $\mathcal{V}_1 = \partial_{z_1}, \mathcal{V}_2 = \partial_{z_2}, \Xi_1 = \partial_{\theta_1}, \Xi_2 = \partial_{\theta_2}$ } in the chart \mathcal{U}_0 , and the $A_{i \times 10}, B_{i \times 10}, C_{i \times 10}, D_{i \times 10}$ for i = 1, 2, make up four 2×10 matrices:

$$A := \begin{pmatrix} A_{1\times10} \\ A_{2\times10} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} z_2 & 0 & z_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & z_1^2 & z_1z_2 - \lambda\theta_1\theta_2 \\ 0 & z_1 & -z_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & z_2 & z_2 & z_1z_2 + \lambda\theta_1\theta_2 & z_2^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$B := \begin{pmatrix} B_{1\times10} \\ B_{2\times10} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \theta_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda z_2\theta_1 & 0 & \lambda\theta_2 & z_1\theta_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \theta_1 & 0 & 0 & -\lambda z_1\theta_1 & 0 & \lambda\theta_2 & 0 & z_2\theta_1 & -\lambda z_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C := \begin{pmatrix} C_{1\times10} \\ C_{2\times10} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \theta_1 & 0 & z_1\theta_1 & z_2\theta_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \theta_1 & z_1\theta_1 & z_2\theta_1 & 0 & \theta_2 & 2z_1\theta_2 & 2z_2\theta_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D := \begin{pmatrix} D_{1\times10} \\ D_{2\times10} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & z_1 & -z_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & z_1 & z_2 & z_1^2 & z_2^2 & 0 & 0 & 2\theta_1\theta_2 & z_1z_2 - \lambda\theta_1\theta_2 \end{pmatrix}$$
(79)

where the subscript referring to the chart U_0 of \mathcal{M} has been suppressed for readability purpose. One can then confirm that the map $\Phi_{\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}}$ is indeed an embedding via this explicit expression.

Theorem 11. Let $\mathbb{P}^2_{\omega}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}})$ be the non-projected supermanifold endowed with a fermionic sheaf $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}} := \Pi \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-1) \oplus \Pi \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-2)$. The map then $i : \mathbb{P}^2_{\omega}(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{M}}) \to G(2|2, \mathbb{C}^{12|12})$ is an embedding of supermanifolds.

Proof. One can check from the expressions above that the map is injective on the geometric points, that is on \mathbb{P}^2 , and that its super differential is injective. This can be checked, for example, by representing the super differential as a 4 × 80 matrix, where the four 1 × 80 rows are given by the derivatives of a row vector ($A_{i\times 10}, B_{i\times 10}, C_{i\times 10}, D_{i\times 10}$) with respect to $\partial_{z_1}, \partial_{z_2}, \partial_{\theta_1}, \partial_{\theta_2}$. The resulting matrix has indeed Rank 4. \Box

It is fair to say that one can simplify the proof and avoid cumbersome computation, by considering just a subset of the global sections found above in order to prove global generation and injectivity of the differential. For example, the subset of $H^0(\mathcal{T}_M)$ given by the sections

$$S := \{\mathcal{V}_1, \mathcal{V}_2, \mathcal{V}_5, \mathcal{V}_9 - \mathcal{V}_{10}, \Xi_1, \Xi_2\} \subset H^0(\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}).$$

$$\tag{80}$$

does the job. Indeed, these sections make up a sub-matrix of the $12|12 \times 4|4$ matrix given, having columns given by coordinates of the global sections with respect to the basis ∂_{z_1} , ∂_{z_2} , ∂_{θ_1} , ∂_{θ_2} in the chart U_0 as above. Writing the columns in a suitable order, one obtains

This is a *linear* embedding of \mathcal{U}_0 into a super big-cell of the super Grassmannian, which proves both global generation and injectivity at the level of the differential over \mathcal{U}_0 at once. Additionally, by symmetry, or analogously by the homogeneity of \mathcal{M} and $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{M}}$ with respect to the action of PGL(3), the same result holds true over \mathcal{U}_1 and \mathcal{U}_2 as well.

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