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Consider the set of triples of homogeneous degree d forms $\mathbf{g} = (g_1, g_2, g_3)$ in R = k[x, y], with k a field, so that the ideal I generated by the g_i 's has height 2. This set naturally corresponds to an affine space of dimension 3d + 3 over k by identifying each triple \mathbf{g} with a list of its coefficients. The Hilbert-Burch Theorem describes the graded minimal free resolution of R/I, which has the form

$$0 \to \bigoplus_{R(-d-n)}^{R(-d-m)} \xrightarrow{\varphi} R(-d)^3 \to R \to R/I \to 0$$

where the entries in the columns of a matrix representing φ are homogeneous forms in R of degrees m and n with m+n=d. We refer to such a matrix as a Hilbert-Burch matrix for I. Recent work of Cox-Kustin-Polini-Ulrich considers this set in the case when d is even and m=n=d/2, and identifies an open cover $\{U_i\}$ of \mathbb{A}^{3d+3}_k such that on each U_i the coefficients of the entries of a Hilbert-Burch matrix for I can be recovered explicitly as polynomials in the coefficients of the g_i 's. We describe an extension of this work to all integers $d \geq 2$ and all $1 \leq m \leq n \leq d$ with m+n=d. (Received August 02, 2011)