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Introduction.

It is a classical result that on compact analytic surfaces the continuous complex vector bundles of rank 2 are well-determined by their Chern classes  $c_1, c_2$  (Wu [13]). In particular such a bundle is trivial iff  $c_1=0$  and  $c_2=0$ . For a nonsingular projective surface it follows by a result of Schwarzenberger [11] that on the topologically trivial 2-vector bundle there are nontrivial algebraic structures. In fact these algebraic bundles form a very large family (that is not bounded).

In this paper we continue the study started in [3] on the structure of topologically trivial algebraic 2-vector bundles on a ruled surface. On  $\mathbb{P}^2$  the problem was studied in [1],[10],[12]. For stable bundles on ruled surfaces see [4],[8].

The first problem, in our case, is to find numerical invariants such that if one considers those algebraic bundles with fixed invariants they form an algebraic family. In section 1 we introduce for these bundles two numerical invariants  $d$  and  $r$  and we define the set  $M(d,r)$  of classes of isomorphism of bundles with fixed invariants  $d$  and  $r$ . The integer  $d$  is given by the splitting of the bundle on the general fibre and the integer  $r$  is given by some normalization of the bundle. The main result is theorem 1, which states that  $M(d,r)$  carries a natural structure of an algebraic variety and that there exists,



locally, a tautological bundle. After some preparatory work in section 2, the sections 3 and 4 are devoted to the proof of the theorem 1. In section 5 we show that does not always exist, globally, a tautological bundle (theorem 2). Finally the section 6 is concerned with the case of rational ruled surfaces, when the algebraic structure on  $M(d, r)$  is more precisely described (theorem 3 and also [3]).

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### 1. The numerical invariants $d$ and $r$ .

The notations and the terminology are those of [7].

Let  $C$  be a nonsingular curve of genus  $g$  over the complex numbers field and let  $\pi: X \rightarrow C$  be a (geometrically) ruled surface over  $C$ . One can write  $X \simeq \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E})$ , where  $\mathcal{E}$  is a normalized locally free sheaf of rank 2 on  $C$ . Let denote by  $\diamond$  the divisor on  $C$  corresponding to the invertible sheaf  $\wedge^2 \mathcal{E}$  and  $e = -\deg \diamond$ . We fix a section  $C_0$  of  $\pi$  with  $\mathcal{O}_X(C_0) \simeq \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E})}(1)$  and  $p_0$  a point of  $C$ . Let  $f_0 = \pi^{-1}(p_0)$ . Any element of  $\text{Num } X = H^2(X, \mathbb{Z})$  can be written  $aC_0 + bf_0$  with  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $C_0^2 = -e$ ,  $C_0 \cdot f_0 = 1$ ,  $f_0^2 = 0$ . Since the canonical divisor  $K_X$  on  $X$  is given by  $K_X \sim -2C_0 + \pi^*(K_C + \diamond)$ , hence for the numerical equivalence we have  $K_X \equiv -2C_0 + (2g-2-e)f_0$  (cf. Hartshorne [7], Ch.V).

We will denote by  $\mathcal{O}_C(1)$  the invertible sheaf associated to the divisor  $p_0$  on  $C$ . If  $L$  is an element of  $\text{Pic } C$ , we shall write  $L = \mathcal{O}_C(k) \otimes L_0$ , where  $k = \deg L$  and  $L_0 \in \text{Pic}^0 C$ . We also denote by



$\mathcal{F}(aC_0 + bf_0) = \mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(a) \otimes \pi^*(\mathcal{O}_C(b))$  for any sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $X$  and any  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  ( $\mathcal{O}_X(a) \simeq \mathcal{O}_X(aC_0)$ ).

Let  $E$  be a topologically trivial algebraic 2-vector bundle on  $X$ , i.e.  $c_1(E) = (0, 0)$  and  $c_2(E) = 0$ . Since the fibres of  $\pi$  are isomorphic to  $\mathbb{P}^1$ , we can speak about the generic splitting type of  $E$  and we put  $E|_f \simeq \mathcal{O}_f(d) \oplus \mathcal{O}_f(-d)$  for a general fibre  $f$ , where  $d \geq 0$  (cf. [6] and semi-continuity theorem).

The second numerical invariant  $r$  is obtained by the following normalization:

$-r = \inf \{ \ell \mid \text{there exists } L \in \text{Pic } C, \deg L = \ell \text{ s.t. } H^0(X, E(-dC_0) \otimes \pi^*(L)) \neq 0 \}$

One has  $H^0(X, E(-dC_0) \otimes \pi^*(L)) \simeq H^0(C, \pi_*(E(-dC_0)) \otimes L)$  and moreover

$H^0(C, \pi_*(E(-dC_0)) \otimes L)$  does not vanish when  $\deg L \gg 0$  and is zero when  $\deg L \ll 0$  (for, use a suitable filtration of  $\pi_*(E(-dC_0))$

with subbundles and Riemann-Roch for divisors on  $C$ ). Therefore, there exists such an integer  $r$ .

We shall call a topologically trivial algebraic 2-vector bundle with numerical invariants  $d$  and  $r$ , simply, a 2-vector bundle of type  $(d, r)$ .

Let us denote by  $M(d, r)$  the set of classes of isomorphism of 2-vector bundles on  $X$  of fixed type  $(d, r)$ .

Our purpose is to prove the following

Theorem 1. Suppose  $d > 0$ . Then:

(1) The set  $M(d, r)$  carries a natural structure of algebraic variety.

(2) There exists, locally relative to  $M(d, r)$ , a tautological bundle (i.e. for every affine open subset  $V$  of  $M(d, r)$  there is a bundle  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $X \times V$  such that for each  $t \in V$  there is an isomorphism  $\mathcal{F}/\mathcal{M}_t \mathcal{F} \simeq E_t$ , where  $E_t$  denotes a 2-vector bundle corres-

ponding to the class  $t$  ).

Remarks. 1. For the case  $d=0$  see the remark at the end of lemma in section 2.

2. In general does not exist globally a tautological bundle; see theorem 2.

3. In the case of rational ruled surfaces the algebraic structure on  $M(d,r)$  is more precisely described; see [3] and theorem 3.

## 2. Some properties of the bundles of $M(d,r)$ .

We want to prove the following

Lemma. (1) Every 2-vector bundle  $E$  of type  $(d,r)$  is given by an extension of the form

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(dC_0 + rf_0) \otimes \pi^*(L_2) \rightarrow E \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_Y \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(-dC_0 - rf_0) \otimes \pi^*(L_1) \rightarrow 0,$$

where  $L_1, L_2 \in \text{Pic}^0 C$  and  $Y$  is a locally complete intersection of codimension 2 in  $X$  with  $\deg Y = d(2r - de)$ .

(2) Every algebraic 2-vector bundle given by an extension like above is of type  $(d,r)$ .

(3) For every fixed data  $Y, L_1, L_2$ , where  $Y \subset X$  is a locally complete intersection of codimension 2 with  $\deg Y = d(2r - de)$ , and  $L_1, L_2 \in \text{Pic}^0 C$ , there exist bundles appearing as extensions like above and these extensions are uniquely determined modulo  $\mathbb{C}^*$ , by the isomorphic classes of bundles.

(4) Suppose  $d > 0$  and let  $E$  be a 2-vector bundle of type  $(d,r)$ . Then the data  $Y, L_1, L_2$  from the corresponding extension are uniquely determined by  $E$  ( $L_1$  and  $L_2$  up to an isomorphism).

Proof. (1) By the definition of  $r$  there exists  $L_2 \in \text{Pic}^0 C$ , such that  $H^0(X, E(-dC_0 - rf_0) \otimes \pi^*(L_2^{-1})) \neq 0$  (in fact its dimension is 1). We choose a non-zero section and apply Serre's method ([9], Ch. I, § 5) we obtain  $E$  as an extension of the desired form (see [3] for



more details ).

(2) Obviously an algebraic 2-vector bundle given by such an extension has  $c_1(E)=(0,0)$  and  $c_2(E)=0$ . By restricting the exact sequence above to a fibre  $f$  provided that  $f \cap Y = \emptyset$  we get that the splitting type of  $E$  is  $(d,-d)$ ; a simple argument shows that the integer  $r$  from the given extension is the second numerical invariant of  $E$ , hence  $E$  is of type  $(d,r)$ .

(3) Let us denote  $\mathcal{L}_1 = \mathcal{O}_X(-dC_0 - rf_0) \otimes \pi^*(L_1)$  and  $\mathcal{L}_2 = \mathcal{O}_X(dC_0 + rf_0) \otimes \pi^*(L_2)$ . Consider the spectral sequence of term

$$E_2^{p,q} = H^p(X, \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{O}_X}^q(\mathcal{I}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2)), \text{ which converges to}$$

$E^{p+q} = \text{Ext}^{p+q}(\mathcal{I}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2)$ . On the other hand,  $\mathcal{E}xt^0(\mathcal{I}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2) \simeq \mathcal{L}_2 \otimes \mathcal{L}_1^{-1}$  and  $\mathcal{E}xt^1(\mathcal{I}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2) \simeq \mathcal{E}xt^2(\mathcal{O}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2) \simeq \mathcal{O}_Y$  (for the last isomorphism we use the connexion between the dualizing sheaves  $\omega_Y$  and  $\omega_X$  and that  $\dim Y=0$ ). But one can easily see that  $H^2(X, \mathcal{L}_2 \otimes \mathcal{L}_1^{-1})=0$ , hence the exact sequence of lower degree terms becomes:

$$0 \longrightarrow H^1(X, \mathcal{L}_2 \otimes \mathcal{L}_1^{-1}) \longrightarrow \text{Ext}^1(\mathcal{I}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2) \longrightarrow H^0(Y, \mathcal{O}_Y) \longrightarrow 0.$$

Now, by a result due to Serre ([9], Ch. I, §5), any element belonging to  $\text{Ext}^1(\mathcal{I}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2)$  which has an invertible image in  $H^0(Y, \mathcal{O}_Y)$ , defines an extension of the desired form. One has  $H^0(X, E \otimes \mathcal{L}_2^{-1}) \cong \mathbb{C}$  and the second statement follows by a well-known argument.

(4)  $L_2$  is determined being  $\pi_*(E(-dC_0 - rf_0))$ .  $Y$  is determined as the zero-set of the unique (mod  $\mathbb{C}^*$ ) non-zero global section of  $E \otimes \mathcal{L}_2^{-1}$ . Using again  $H^0(X, E \otimes \mathcal{L}_2^{-1}) \simeq \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\mathcal{I}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1^{-1}$  will be well-



determined and therefore (by removability)  $\mathcal{L}_1$ , that is  $L_1$  will be well-determined by the bundle  $E$ .

Remark. For  $d=0$  it follows from the part (1) that every 2-vector bundle  $E$  of type  $(0, r)$  is of the form  $\pi^*(F)$ , where  $F$  is an algebraic 2-vector bundle on the curve  $C$  with  $c_1(F)=0$ . Moreover, there is an one to one correspondence between the set of isomorphism classes of these bundles on the surface  $X$  and the set of isomorphism classes of 2-vector bundles on the curve  $C$  with  $c_1=0$ . Thus the classification of these bundles means the classification of the corresponding bundles on curves.

### 3. The algebraic structure of $M(d, r)$ .

In this section we shall prove the part (1) of the theorem 1. Suppose  $d > 0$  and let  $E$  be a 2-vector bundle of type  $(d, r)$ . It follows by the lemma that  $E$  defines an element  $\xi_E \in \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{O}_X}^1(\mathcal{Y}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2)$ , where  $\mathcal{L}_1 = \mathcal{O}_X(-dC_0 - rf_0) \otimes \pi^*(L_1)$ ,  $\mathcal{L}_2 = \mathcal{O}_X(dC_0 + rf_0) \otimes \pi^*(L_2)$  and the data  $L_1, L_2, Y$  are uniquely determined by  $E$ . If  $Y \neq \emptyset$  (i.e.  $E$  is non-uniform; see [3]) then  $\xi_E \neq 0$ ; if  $Y = \emptyset$  (i.e.  $2r = de$  and  $E$  is uniform) we agree to expel the single decomposable bundle of type  $(d, r)$ . It follows again by the lemma that the class of  $E$  in  $M(d, r)$  defines a unique point in the projective space

$$(\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{O}_X}^1(\mathcal{Y}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2) \setminus \{0\}) / \mathbb{C}^*.$$

In order to parametrize the whole set  $M(d, r)$  we have to move  $L_1, L_2$  and  $Y$  and thus to look for the variation of  $\text{Ext}$ . Let  $\mathbb{P}_0$  be the Picard variety of isomorphism classes of line bundles of zero degree on  $C$  and let  $\mathcal{L}_0$  be the universal Poincaré-bundle on  $C \times \mathbb{P}_0$ . Let  $\mathbb{H}_0$  be the Hilbert variety of zero-dimensional locally complete

intersections of degree  $d(2r-de)$  in  $X$  and let  $\mathcal{Y}_0$  be the ideal sheaf of the universal subspace  $Y_0 \subset X \times \mathbb{H}_0$ . Recall that  $\mathbb{H}_0$  is smooth connected, quasi-projective of dimension  $2d(2r-de)$  (see [5]). Let us denote by  $\tilde{Z}$  the variety  $\mathbb{P}_0 \times \mathbb{P}_0 \times \mathbb{H}_0$ . We have the following diagram with natural maps:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 X & \xleftarrow{u} & X \times \tilde{Z} & \xrightarrow{1_X \times p_3} & X \times \mathbb{H}_0 \\
 & \nwarrow \pi \times 1_{\tilde{Z}} & \downarrow p & & \downarrow \\
 C \times \tilde{Z} & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \tilde{Z} & \xrightarrow{p_3} & \mathbb{H}_0 \\
 \downarrow 1_C \times p_1; 1_C \times p_2 & & \downarrow p_1, p_2 & & \\
 C \times \mathbb{P}_0 & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathbb{P}_0 & & 
 \end{array}$$

We use the notations:

$$\mathcal{L}_i = (1_C \times p_i)^* (\mathcal{L}_0) \quad i=1,2; \quad \mathcal{Y}_{\tilde{Z}} = (1_X \times p_3)^* (\mathcal{Y}_0), \text{ where } \mathcal{Y} = (1_X \times p_3)^{-1} (Y_0).$$

Now it is natural to consider the relative  $\mathcal{E}xt$ :

$$\tilde{\mathcal{R}} = \mathcal{E}xt_{\tilde{Z}}^1 (u^* (\mathcal{O}_X(-dC_0 - rf_0)) \otimes (\pi \times 1_{\tilde{Z}})^* (\mathcal{L}_1) \otimes \mathcal{Y}_{\tilde{Z}}, u^* (\mathcal{O}_X(dC_0 + rf_0)) \otimes (\pi \times 1_{\tilde{Z}})^* (\mathcal{L}_2)).$$

Take the spectral sequence

$$E_2^{p,q} = H^p(X, \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{O}_X}^q (\mathcal{Y}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2)),$$

and notice that

$$E_2^{0,2} = H^0(X, \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{O}_X}^2 (\mathcal{Y}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2)) \simeq H^0(X, \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{O}_X}^3 (\mathcal{O}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2)) = 0$$

$$E_2^{1,1} = H^1(X, \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{O}_X}^1 (\mathcal{Y}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2)) \simeq H^1(X, \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{O}_X}^2 (\mathcal{O}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2)) \simeq H^1(Y, \mathcal{O}_Y) = 0$$

$$E_2^{2,0} = H^2(X, \mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{O}_X} (\mathcal{Y}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2)) \simeq H^2(X, \mathcal{L}_2 \otimes \mathcal{L}_1^{-1}) = 0.$$

It follows that  $\mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{O}_X}^2 (\mathcal{Y}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2) = 0$  and if we denote by  $z$  the

point of  $\tilde{Z}$  determined by  $\mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2$  and  $Y$ , we deduce by means of a result of [2] that

$$\tilde{\mathcal{R}}_z / m_z \tilde{\mathcal{R}}_z \simeq \mathcal{E}xt_{\mathcal{O}_X}^1 (\mathcal{Y}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2).$$



But, generally,  $\tilde{\mathcal{R}}$  is only a coherent sheaf and not a locally free one. This occurs because, although  $Z$  is reduced (in fact nonsingular) the function

$$z \longrightarrow \dim \operatorname{Ext}_{\mathcal{O}_X}^1(\mathcal{Y}_Y, \mathcal{L}_2 \otimes \mathcal{L}_1^{-1}) \quad (z=(L_1, L_2, Y))$$

is not constant. The jump of  $\dim \operatorname{Ext}^1$  happens already in the case when  $C$  is an elliptic curve (see an example in [3]).

We take the stratification given by  $\dim \operatorname{Ext}_{\mathcal{O}_X}^1(\mathcal{Y}_Y, \mathcal{L}_2 \otimes \mathcal{L}_1^{-1}) = \text{constant}$  and we get (by semicontinuity theorem) finitely many strata

$$Z_i = \{z \in \tilde{Z} \mid \dim \operatorname{Ext}_{\mathcal{O}_X}^1(\mathcal{Y}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2) = i, z=(L_1, L_2, Y)\},$$

which are Zariski locally closed subsets of  $\tilde{Z}$ . We choose on  $Z_i$  the reduced structure and let  $\mathcal{R}_i$  be the corresponding relative  $\operatorname{Ext}$ . Now every sheaf  $\mathcal{R}_i$  is locally free. Let  $Z$  be the direct sum of  $Z_i$  and  $\mathcal{R}$  the corresponding locally free sheaf on  $Z$ . It follows from previous considerations that there exists a natural injective map  $M(d, r) \longrightarrow \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{R}^*)$  and we shall identify the set  $M(d, r)$  with its image in the projective bundle of the dual of  $\mathcal{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{R}^*)$ . It is not difficult to see that  $M(d, r)$  is a Zariski open subset of  $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{R}^*)$  (see [1] Lemma 3) and so  $M(d, r)$  carries a natural structure of an algebraic variety.

#### 4. The local existence of the tautological bundle.

In this section we shall prove the part (2) of the theorem 1. Clearly we may assume  $Z = Z_i$  (one stratum) and  $\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{R}_i$ . Let

$p: X \times Z \longrightarrow Z$  be the canonical projection and let denote

$$\mathcal{T}_1 = u^*(\mathcal{O}_X(-dC_0 - rf_0)) \otimes (\bar{\pi} \times 1_Z)^*(\mathcal{L}_1) \text{ and } \mathcal{T}_2 = u^*(\mathcal{O}_X(dC_0 + rf_0)) \otimes (\bar{\pi} \times 1_Z)^*(\mathcal{L}_2).$$

Then we have that  $\mathcal{R} = \operatorname{Ext}_p^1(\mathcal{Y}_Y \otimes \mathcal{T}_1, \mathcal{T}_2)$  is a locally free sheaf



on  $Z$  and commutes with base change.

Let  $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{R}^*)$  be the projective bundle of the dual of  $\mathcal{R}$  and let  $q: \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{R}^*) \rightarrow Z$  be the canonical projection. Consider the cartesian diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X \times \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{R}^*) & \xrightarrow{q'} & X \times Z \\ \downarrow p' & & \downarrow p \\ \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{R}^*) & \xrightarrow{q} & Z \end{array}$$

and let  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{R}^*)}(1)$  be the tautological invertible sheaf on  $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{R}^*)$ .

We use the notations:  $\mathcal{I}'_1 = q'^*(\mathcal{I}_1)$ ,  $\mathcal{I}'_2 = q'^*(\mathcal{I}_2)$  and  $\mathcal{Y}' = q'^*(\mathcal{Y})$ .

The canonical surjection  $q^*(\mathcal{R}^*) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{R}^*)}(1)$  gives a morphism

$$\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{R})}(-1) \rightarrow q^*(\mathcal{R}) \simeq \text{Ext}_p^1(\mathcal{Y}_{\mathcal{Y}'} \otimes \mathcal{I}'_1, \mathcal{I}'_2),$$

hence a global section  $\xi$  in  $\text{Ext}_p^1(\mathcal{Y}_{\mathcal{Y}'} \otimes \mathcal{I}'_1, \mathcal{I}'_2 \otimes p'^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{R}^*)}(1)))$ .

Let now  $V$  be an affine open subset in  $M(d, r) \subset \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{R}^*)$  and  $V' = p'^{-1}(V) = X \times V$ . We have the isomorphism

$$\text{Ext}^1(V'; \dots) \simeq H^0(V, \text{Ext}_p^1(\dots))$$

and let  $\eta \in \text{Ext}^1(V'; \mathcal{Y}_{\mathcal{Y}'} \otimes \mathcal{I}'_1, \mathcal{I}'_2 \otimes p'^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{R}^*)}(1)))$  be the corresponding element of  $\xi|_V$ . The element  $\eta$  gives an extension on  $V'$

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{I}'_2 \otimes p'^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{R}^*)}(1)) \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_{\mathcal{Y}'} \otimes \mathcal{I}'_1 \rightarrow 0,$$

where the sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  is obviously flat over  $V$ . For each  $t \in V$ , the reduction modulo  $\mathfrak{m}_t$  of the above extension is naturally equivalent modulo  $\mathbb{C}^*$  with the extension

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_2 \rightarrow E_t \rightarrow \mathcal{I}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1 \rightarrow 0,$$

where  $E_t$  is a 2-vector bundle corresponding to the very class of  $t$ . Then we have the isomorphism  $\mathcal{F}/\mathfrak{m}_t \mathcal{F} \simeq E_t$  and since  $\mathcal{F}$  is flat over  $V$  one gets that the sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  is locally free.  $\mathcal{F}$  will be a tautological bundle on  $X \times V$ .

5. The global non-existence of the tautological bundle.

We shall prove the following

Theorem 2. Let  $X$  be the rational ruled surface  $\mathbb{F}_1$  ( $e=1$ ).

There is not globally a tautological bundle relative to  $M(1,1)$ .

Proof. Let us consider the following cartesian diagram in the general case:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X \times M(d,r) & \xrightarrow{q'} & X \times Z \\ \downarrow p' & & \downarrow p \\ M(d,r) & \xrightarrow{q} & Z \end{array}$$

Further we shall preserve the previous notations.

Let us suppose that there exists a bundle on  $X \times M(d,r)$  such that for each  $t \in M(d,r)$  there is an isomorphism  $\mathcal{F}/\mathcal{M}_t \mathcal{F} \simeq E_t$ , where  $E_t$  denotes a 2-vector bundle belonging to the class of  $t$ .

The sheaf  $p'_*(\mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{I}'_2{}^{-1})$  is an invertible sheaf since  $M(d,r)$  is reduced and  $\dim H^0(X, E_t \otimes \mathcal{L}_2^{-1}) = 1$  for any  $E_t$ . The bundle

$\mathcal{F}' = \mathcal{F} \otimes p'^*(p'_*(\mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{I}'_2{}^{-1}))$  is, again, tautological and

$p'_*(\mathcal{F}' \otimes \mathcal{I}'_2{}^{-1}) \simeq \mathcal{O}$ . Consequently, there is a section

$\sigma \in H^0(X \times M(d,r), \mathcal{F}' \otimes \mathcal{I}'_2{}^{-1})$  with non-zero image through the identi-

fication:  $p'_*(\mathcal{F}' \otimes \mathcal{I}'_2{}^{-1})_t / \mathcal{M}_t p'_*(\mathcal{F}' \otimes \mathcal{I}'_2{}^{-1})_t \simeq H^0((\mathcal{F}' \otimes \mathcal{I}'_2{}^{-1}) / \mathcal{M}_t (\mathcal{F}' \otimes \mathcal{I}'_2{}^{-1})) \simeq \mathbb{C}$ .

The corresponding map  $\mathcal{I}'_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}'$  is injective modulo  $\mathcal{M}_t$

for each  $t \in M(d,r)$ . Then  $\mathcal{I}'_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  is injective and its cokernel

$\mathcal{C}$  is flat over  $M(d,r)$ . We have the exact sequences:

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{L}_2 \longrightarrow \mathcal{F}' / \mathcal{M}_t \mathcal{F}' \longrightarrow \mathcal{C} / \mathcal{M}_t \mathcal{C} \longrightarrow 0$$

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{L}_2 \longrightarrow E_t \longrightarrow \mathcal{I}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1 \longrightarrow 0,$$

where  $q(t) = z = (L_1, L_2, Y)$ ,  $\mathcal{L}_1 = \mathcal{O}_X(-C_0 - f_0) \otimes \pi^*(L_1)$  and



$\mathcal{L}_2 = \mathcal{O}_X(C_0 + f_0) \otimes \pi^*(L_2)$ . Also  $\mathcal{C} / \mathcal{M}_t \mathcal{C} \simeq \mathcal{I}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1$ .  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathcal{I}_Y \otimes \mathcal{I}'_1$

are flat with respect to  $p'$  and moreover isomorphic, locally relative to  $M(d, r)$ , since  $h^0 \text{End}(\mathcal{I}_Y \otimes \mathcal{L}_1) = h^0 \text{End}(\mathcal{I}_Y) = 1$  when  $Y$  is 0-dimensional in  $X$  ([2], Korollar 5). As  $\mathcal{E}nd(\mathcal{I}_Y) \simeq \mathcal{O}$ , hence there is an invertible sheaf  $\mathcal{L}$  on  $M(d, r)$  such that  $\mathcal{C} \simeq \mathcal{I}_Y \otimes \mathcal{I}'_1 \otimes p'^*(\mathcal{L}^*)$ .

Therefore we have the extension:

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{I}'_2 \otimes p'^*(\mathcal{L}) \longrightarrow \mathcal{F}'' \longrightarrow \mathcal{I}_Y \otimes \mathcal{I}'_1 \longrightarrow 0,$$

where  $\mathcal{F}'' = \mathcal{F}' \otimes p'^*(\mathcal{L})$  is again tautological and let

$\xi \in \text{Ext}^1(X \times M(d, r); \dots)$  be the corresponding class. Since

$$\text{Ext}^1_p(\mathcal{I}_Y \otimes \mathcal{I}'_1, \mathcal{I}'_2 \otimes p'^*(\mathcal{L})) \simeq \text{Ext}^1_p(\mathcal{I}_Y \otimes \mathcal{I}'_1, \mathcal{I}'_2) \otimes \mathcal{L} \simeq q^*(\mathcal{R}) \otimes \mathcal{L},$$

hence the image of  $\xi$  by  $\text{Ext}^1 \longrightarrow H^0(\text{Ext}^1)$  gives rise to a map  $q^*(\mathcal{R}^*) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$  and as  $\mathcal{F}''$  is tautological, it follows (considering again the fibres of  $\pi'$ ) that  $\mathcal{L} \simeq \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{R}^*)}(1)$ . Consequently, we deduce that if there were globally a tautological bundle  $\mathcal{F}$ , then by tensoring it with an invertible sheaf, the new tautological bundle  $\mathcal{F}''$  would be given globally by the following extension:

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{I}'_2 \otimes p'^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{R}^*)}(1)) \longrightarrow \mathcal{F}'' \longrightarrow \mathcal{I}_Y \otimes \mathcal{I}'_1 \longrightarrow 0.$$

In the case of the rational ruled surface  $X = \mathbb{F}_1$  for  $M(1, 1)$  we have:  $\mathbb{P}_0 = \text{Pic}^0 C =$  one point,  $\deg Y = 1$ , hence the Hilbert variety

$\mathcal{H}^0 = \mathbb{F}_1$ , the universal subspace  $\mathcal{Y}$  is the diagonal  $\Delta$  and

$\dim \text{Ext}^1_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{I}_Y, \mathcal{L}_2 \otimes \mathcal{L}_1^{-1}) = 1$ . It follows that the variety  $Z$  consists

of a single stratum and  $M(1, 1) \simeq \mathbb{F}_1$ . The previous diagram becomes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{F}_1 \times \mathbb{F}_1 & \xrightarrow{\text{id.}} & \mathbb{F}_1 \times \mathbb{F}_1 \\ \downarrow p & & \downarrow p = p_2 \\ \mathbb{F}_1 & \xrightarrow{\text{id.}} & \mathbb{F}_1 \end{array}$$



We have  $\mathcal{R} \simeq p_{*}(\text{Ext}^1(\mathcal{Y}_{\Delta} \otimes \mathcal{T}_1, \mathcal{T}_2))$ , but  $\text{Ext}^1(\mathcal{Y}_{\Delta} \otimes \mathcal{T}_1, \mathcal{T}_2) \simeq$

$$\simeq \text{Ext}^2(\mathcal{O}_{\Delta} \otimes \mathcal{T}_1, \mathcal{T}_2) \simeq \omega_{\Delta} \otimes \mathcal{T}_1^{-1} \otimes \mathcal{T}_2 \otimes \omega_{\mathbb{F}_1 \times \mathbb{F}_1}^{-1}, \omega_{\mathbb{F}_1 \times \mathbb{F}_1} \simeq$$

$$\simeq p_1^*(\omega_{\mathbb{F}_1}) \otimes p_2^*(\omega_{\mathbb{F}_1}), \omega_{\mathbb{F}_1} = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(-2C_0 - 3f_0), \mathcal{T}_1 = p_1^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(-C_0 - f_0)),$$

$$\mathcal{T}_2 = p_1^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(C_0 + f_0)) \text{ and by means of the identification } \Delta \simeq \mathbb{F}_1$$

we get  $\mathcal{R} \simeq \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(4C_0 + 5f_0)$ . Then  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}(\mathcal{R}^*)}(1) \simeq \mathcal{R}^* \simeq \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(-4C_0 - 5f_0)$

and a global tautological bundle will be given by the extension:

$$0 \rightarrow p_1^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(C_0 + f_0)) \otimes p_2^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(-4C_0 - 5f_0)) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}'' \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_{\Delta} \otimes p_1^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(-C_0 - f_0)) \rightarrow 0$$

We shall prove that

$$\text{Ext}^1(\mathcal{Y}_{\Delta} \otimes p_1^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(-C_0 - f_0)), p_1^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(C_0 + f_0)) \otimes p_2^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(-4C_0 - 5f_0))) = 0$$

and we will derive a contradiction. We show that

$$H^3(\mathbb{F}_1 \times \mathbb{F}_1, \mathcal{Y}_{\Delta} \otimes p_1^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(-4C_0 - 5f_0)) \otimes p_2^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(2C_0 + 2f_0))) = 0 \text{ and by}$$

duality we conclude.

The exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_{\Delta} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1 \times \mathbb{F}_1} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\Delta} \rightarrow 0$  gives

the exact sequence:

$$\begin{aligned} H^2(p_1^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(-4C_0 - 5f_0)) \otimes p_2^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(2C_0 + 2f_0))) &\xrightarrow{\alpha} H^2(\mathcal{O}_{\Delta}(-2C_0 - 3f_0)) \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow H^3(\mathcal{Y}_{\Delta} \otimes p_1^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(-4C_0 - 5f_0)) \otimes p_2^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(2C_0 + 2f_0))) &\longrightarrow \\ \longrightarrow H^3(p_1^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(-4C_0 - 5f_0)) \otimes p_2^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(2C_0 + 2f_0))) & . \end{aligned}$$

Because  $H^2(\mathcal{O}_{\Delta}(-2C_0 - 3f_0)) \simeq H^2(\mathbb{F}_1, \omega_{\mathbb{F}_1}) \simeq \mathbb{C}$  and

$$H^2(p_1^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(-4C_0 - 5f_0)) \otimes p_2^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(2C_0 + 2f_0))) \simeq$$

$$\simeq H^2(\mathbb{F}_1, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(-4C_0 - 5f_0)) \otimes \text{Hom}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{F}_1}(-4C_0 - 5f_0), \omega_{\mathbb{F}_1})$$

the map  $\alpha$  can be naturally identified to the linear map associated to the natural pairing of Serre duality, hence it is not zero.

But  $H^3(p_1^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-4C_0-5f_0)) \otimes p_2^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(2C_0+2f_0)))=0$  and the proof is over.

#### 6. The case of rational ruled surfaces.

Theorem 3. Assume  $C=\mathbb{P}^1$  ( i.e.  $X \cong \mathbb{F}_e$  a rational ruled surface).

Then the set  $M(d,r)$  is a nonsingular, connected, quasi-projective, rational variety of dimension indicated below:

(a) when  $de=2r$  and  $e \geq 1$  (uniform bundles)

$$\dim M(d,r) = \frac{1}{2}d(de+e-2)-1$$

(b) when  $e=0$  ( $r=0$ ) (uniform bundles)

$$\dim M(d,0) = -1. (M=\emptyset !)$$

(c) when  $2r-de > 0$  and  $e \geq 1$  (non-uniform bundles) there are two possibilities:  $r > de$ ,  $\dim M(d,r) = 3d(2r-de)-1$ , or  $r \leq de$  and  $\dim M(d,r) = \frac{1}{2}(2d-s+1)(es+2de-4r-2)+3d(2r-de)-1$  ( $s = \lceil (2r+1)/e \rceil + 1$ ).

(d) when  $2r-de > 0$  but  $e=0$  (non-uniform bundles)

$$\dim M(d,r) = 6dr-1.$$

Proof. In this particular case the Ext-sheaf  $\tilde{\mathcal{R}}$  is locally free, its rank is well-determined by  $d, r$  and  $e$  (see [3] for more details) and thus, the set  $M(d,r)$  is a Zariski open subset of the nonsingular, projective, rational, connected variety  $\mathbb{P}(\tilde{\mathcal{R}}^*)$ .



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