

**VECTOR BUNDLES ON  $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1$  WITH THE GENERIC FIBER  
 $\mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{O}(1)$  AND SIMPLE JUMPS**

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INTRODUCTION

In this paper we study vector bundles on the arithmetic surface  $\mathbf{P}_A^1$ , where  $A$  is a Dedekind domain.

The problem of classification of vector bundles on complex projective spaces is quite difficult (see [1]). Relatively little is known in the arithmetic setting. Namely, Hanna showed that every bundle admits a filtration with linear bundles as quotients in the case when  $A$  is a Euclidean domain (see [2] or Theorem 1.1.4). An algorithm for constructing such a filtration was obtained by Smirnov and the author in [3].

Smirnov classified vector bundles of rank two with trivial generic fiber and simple jumps in [4] and proved that every such bundle on  $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1$  has  $\mathcal{O}(-2)$  as a subbundle (see [5]).

The purpose of the current article is to classify vector bundles generically isomorphic to  $\mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{O}(1)$  and having simple jumps: that is, either  $E_y \cong \mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{O}(1)$  or  $E_y \cong \mathcal{O}(-1) \oplus \mathcal{O}(2)$  for every closed point  $y \in \text{Spec } A$ . In the case where  $A$  is a PID, we get a complete classification; this is the content of Theorem 2.2.1 and Propositions 2.3.2, 2.3.3. To every such bundle  $E$  we attached an important invariant  $\Delta(E)$ , its discriminant. For example, in the case  $A = \mathbb{Z}$  the classification implies that up to isomorphism there are only finitely many vector bundles of given discriminant  $\Delta$  (see Example 2.3.5).

Notice that  $\mathcal{O}(-1)$  is a subbundle of the pullback of  $E$  to  $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1 \times \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$  for every non-zero integer  $n$ , so the interesting question to ask is whether  $\mathcal{O}(-1) \subset E$  globally. It turns out that this is not always the case; the answer is given by Theorem 2.4.3 and involves in fact cubic nonresidues modulo  $\Delta(E)$ .

In Section 3, we restrict ourselves to the case  $A = \mathbb{Z}$ . Let  $\Delta$  be a non-zero integer,  $\Delta \neq \pm 1$ . Let  $C$  be an integral binary cubic form  $pv_0^3 + 3qv_0^2v_1 + 3rv_0v_1^2 + sv_1^3$  of discriminant  $D$ , and suppose that  $C$  satisfies the following condition:  $C$  has a triple root modulo  $d$  if and only if  $d$  divides  $\Delta$ , where  $d \neq 0, \pm 1$ . To every such cubic  $C$  we associate a vector bundle of discriminant  $\Delta$ ; see Theorem 3.4.2.

It is natural to ask whether any isomorphism class of vector bundles with generic fiber  $\mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{O}(1)$  and simple jumps can be obtained as a bundle associated to a binary cubic form (this is equivalent to proving that every such bundle has  $\mathcal{O}(-2)$  as a subbundle). If it is not the case, then can we describe the obstructions?

1. PRELIMINARIES

We shall study vector bundles over  $\mathbf{P}_A^1$  for a Dedekind domain  $A$ , in particular for  $A = \mathbb{Z}$ . It is instructive and more natural to state a few results in greater generality. Thus let  $A$  be a Noetherian commutative ring.

We write usually  $\mathcal{O}$  and  $\mathcal{O}(d)$  instead of  $\mathcal{O}_X$  and  $\mathcal{O}_X(d)$  for a suitable scheme  $X$ , especially if  $X$  can be easily specified. As usual, let

$$\mathbf{P}_A^1 = \text{Proj } A[t_0, t_1], \quad \deg t_0 = \deg t_1 = 1.$$

In addition,  $\mathcal{O}(U_0) = A[x]$ ,  $\mathcal{O}(U_1) = A[x^{-1}]$ , and  $\mathcal{O}(U_{01}) = A[x, x^{-1}]$ , where  $x = t_1/t_0$ ,  $U_i$  denotes the complement to the zero locus of  $t_i$ , and  $U_{01} = U_0 \cap U_1$ .

**1.1.** We shall start with a brief review of vector bundles on  $\mathbf{P}_A^1$ .

**Theorem 1.1.1** (Grothendieck, [1]). *Let  $F$  be a field. Any vector bundle on  $\mathbf{P}_F^1$  is isomorphic to a sum of line bundles with uniquely defined summands.*

Line bundles can be described as follows:

**Theorem 1.1.2** ([6]). *Any line bundle on  $\mathbf{P}_A^n$  is isomorphic to a bundle of the form  $p^*L \otimes \mathcal{O}(d)$ , where  $L$  is a line bundle on  $\text{Spec } A$  and  $p : \mathbf{P}_A^n \rightarrow \text{Spec } A$  is a structure morphism.*

In particular, any line bundle on  $\mathbf{P}_F^1$  is isomorphic to  $\mathcal{O}(d)$  for some  $d \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Note that the situation for  $A = \mathbb{Z}$  is more complicated. More generally, for certain Dedekind domains  $A$ , there exist indecomposable rank 2 vector bundles on  $\mathbf{P}_A^1$  (see [4], [9]). It is an open question whether any vector bundle on  $\mathbf{P}_A^1$  for a Dedekind ring  $A$  admits a filtration with linear bundles as quotients. Let us cite a few known results in this direction.

**Theorem 1.1.3** (Hanna, [2]). *Let  $A$  be a PID, and let  $E$  be any vector bundle on  $\mathbf{P}_A^1$ . Then  $E$  has a filtration*

$$0 \subseteq E_0 \subseteq E_1 \subseteq \dots \subseteq E_t = E$$

such that  $E_i/E_{i-1}$  is a line bundle when  $i < t$  and  $E_t/E_{t-1}$  has rank at most two.

The question is answered completely for any Euclidean ring.

**Theorem 1.1.4** (Hanna, [2]). *Let  $A$  be a Euclidean domain, and let  $F$  be any vector bundle on  $\mathbf{P}_A^1$ . Then  $E$  has a filtration*

$$0 = E_0 \subseteq E_1 \subseteq \dots \subseteq E_n = E$$

such that  $E_i/E_{i-1}$  is a line bundle ( $1 \leq i \leq n = \text{rk } E$ ).

In particular, every bundle on  $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1$  admits a filtration with linear bundles as quotients.

**1.2. Cohomology and base change** ([7]). We recall the classical theorem and its corollaries.

Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a proper morphism of Noetherian schemes, and let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a coherent sheaf on  $X$ , flat over  $Y$ . By  $X_y$  we denote the fiber of  $f$  over  $y \in Y$ ,  $\mathcal{F}_y$  denotes the fiber  $\mathcal{F}|_{X_y}$  and said to be a fiber of  $\mathcal{F}$  over the point  $y \in Y$ .

Then  $y \mapsto \chi(\mathcal{F}_y)$  is a locally constant function on  $Y$ , and the function  $y \mapsto \dim_{k(y)} H^p(X_y, \mathcal{F}_y)$  is upper semicontinuous. Moreover, if  $Y$  is reduced and connected, then

- (1) The function  $y \mapsto \dim_{k(y)} H^p(X_y, \mathcal{F}_y)$  is constant on  $Y$  if and only if  $\mathcal{E} = R^p f_* \mathcal{F}$  is a locally free  $\mathcal{O}_Y$ -module, and for every  $y \in Y$  the natural morphism  $\mathcal{E} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_Y} k(y) \rightarrow H^p(X_y, \mathcal{F}_y)$  is an isomorphism.
- (2) If the preceding equivalent conditions are satisfied, then for every  $y \in Y$  the natural map  $R^{p-1} f_* \mathcal{F} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_Y} k(y) \rightarrow H^{p-1}(X_y, \mathcal{F}_y)$  is an isomorphism.

**1.3. Beilinson spectral sequence.** Some of the methods for constructing vector bundles on  $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^n$  described in [1] can be applied to construct bundles on  $\mathbf{P}_A^1$ . Namely, Beilinson spectral sequences are very useful tools in the study of vector bundles in the arithmetic setting.

**Theorem 1.3.1** (Beilinson). *Let  $F$  be a vector bundle on  $\mathbf{P}_A^1$ , and let  $\pi : \mathbf{P}_A^1 \rightarrow \text{Spec } A$  be a structure morphism. There is a spectral sequence  $E^{pq}$  with  $E_1$ -term  $E_1^{pq} = R\pi_*^q(F(p)) \otimes \Omega^{-p}(p)$  which converges to*

$$F^i = \begin{cases} F & \text{for } i = 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

that is,  $E_{\infty}^{pq} = 0$  for  $p + q \neq 0$ .

In particular, the  $E_1$ -term is concentrated in the second quadrant. Moreover, its nontrivial part is concentrated in the first two rows:

$$H^1(F(-1)) \otimes \mathcal{O}(-1) \xrightarrow{d^1} H^1(F) \otimes \mathcal{O}$$

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**1.4. Gluing.** Let  $A$  be a PID, and let  $\sigma \in \text{GL}_n(A[x, x^{-1}])$ . To  $\sigma$  one associates a vector bundle on  $\mathbf{P}_A^1$  as follows:  $E|_{U_0} = \mathcal{O}e_1 + \cdots + \mathcal{O}e_r$ ,  $E|_{U_1} = \mathcal{O}f_1 + \cdots + \mathcal{O}f_r$ , and

$$(1) \quad [e_1, \dots, e_r]\sigma = [f_1, \dots, f_r]$$

over  $U_{01}$ , so that  $f_j = \sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_{i,j} e_i$ .

By the Quillen–Suslin Theorem, every finitely generated projective  $A$ -module is free, thus any vector bundle of rank  $r$  on  $\mathbf{P}_A^1$  can be obtained in that way. In this case, the isomorphism class of such a bundle is an element of the double quotient

$$(2) \quad \text{Vect}_r(\mathbf{P}^1) = \text{GL}_r(A[x]) \backslash \text{GL}_r(A[x, x^{-1}]) / \text{GL}_r(A[x^{-1}]).$$

**1.5. Jumps.** Given a vector bundle  $E$  on  $\mathbf{P}_A^1$ , we will say that  $E$  has a jump over  $y \in \text{Spec } A$ , or simply  $E_y$  is a jump of  $E$ , if the fiber  $E_y$  of  $E$  over the point  $y$  is not isomorphic to the generic fiber of  $E$  (that is, the fiber over the generic point of  $\text{Spec } A$ ). In this case,  $y$  is called a jump point.

The set of jump points is obviously finite.

## 2. CLASSIFICATION

Let  $A$  be a Dedekind domain. We shall study vector bundles of rank 2 on  $\mathbf{P}_A^1$  with fixed structure of fibers over the closed points of  $\text{Spec } A$ . Namely, we consider vector bundles generically isomorphic to  $\mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{O}(1)$  such that their set of jump points is non-empty and all their jumps over the closed points of  $\text{Spec } A$  are isomorphic to  $\mathcal{O}(-1) \oplus \mathcal{O}(2)$ . In this case, we say that the jumps are simple.

### 2.1. Non-degenerate maps and vector bundles.

**2.1.1.** Let  $E$  be a vector bundle as above. Consider the bundle  $F = E(1)$ . We obtain that  $H^1(F) = H^1(F(-1)) = 0$ ,  $H^0(F) \simeq A^5$ , and  $H^0(F(-1)) \simeq A^3$  as a consequence of the proper base change theorem (see 1.2). Thus the  $E_1$ -term of the Beilinson spectral sequence is of the form (see 1.3)

$$(3) \quad E_1^{-1,0} \xrightarrow{d_1^{-1,0}} E_1^{0,0},$$

where  $E_1^{-1,0} = H^0(F(-1)) \otimes \mathcal{O}(-1) \simeq \mathcal{O}^3(-1)$ , and  $E_1^{0,0} = H^0(F) \otimes \mathcal{O} \simeq \mathcal{O}^5$ .

Since the spectral sequence with  $E_1$ -term (3) degenerates at the second page, it follows from Theorem 1.3.1 that

$$(4) \quad E_\infty^{0,0} = E_2^{0,0} = \text{Coker}(d_1^{-1,0}) = F.$$

This implies that we have an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^3(-2) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^5(-1) \rightarrow E \rightarrow 0.$$

Given a morphism  $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(\mathcal{O}^3(-2), \mathcal{O}^5(-1))$ , we will say that  $\varphi$  is nondegenerate if  $\text{Coker}(\varphi)$  is a locally free sheaf of rank 2. We note that this is equivalent to the assertion that  $\varphi$  is locally split. Consequently, bundles with the generic fiber  $\mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{O}(1)$  and simple jumps are classified by nondegenerate morphisms.

**2.1.2.** Let  $e_1, e_2, e_3$  and  $f_1, \dots, f_5$  be the standard bases of  $\mathcal{O}^3$  and  $\mathcal{O}^5$ , respectively. The choice of bases fixes an identification

$$\text{Hom}(\mathcal{O}^3(-2), \mathcal{O}^5(-1)) \cong M_{5,3}(\text{Hom}(\mathcal{O}, \mathcal{O}(1))).$$

We identify  $\text{Hom}(\mathcal{O}, \mathcal{O}(1)) = At_0 + At_1$ , where  $t_0, t_1$  is the basis of  $H^0(\mathcal{O}(1))$ . Thus, for every  $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(\mathcal{O}^3(-2), \mathcal{O}^5(-1))$ , we have

$$\varphi = t_0\varphi_0 + t_1\varphi_1, \text{ where } \varphi_0, \varphi_1 \in M_{5,3}(A).$$

Let  $\varphi, \varphi'$  be nondegenerate arrows. We write  $\varphi \sim \varphi'$  if  $\varphi' = \theta\varphi\lambda$ , where  $\theta \in \text{GL}_5(A)$  and  $\lambda \in \text{GL}_3(A)$ . It is clear that  $\varphi \sim \varphi'$  implies  $\text{Coker}(\varphi) \simeq \text{Coker}(\varphi')$ .

**2.1.3.** Let  $\varphi$  be a nondegenerate arrow. Restricting  $\varphi$  to the point  $t_0 = 0$ , we obtain

$$\varphi_1 \sim \varphi_1^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} I_3 \\ 0_{2,3} \end{pmatrix} \in M_{5,3}(A),$$

where  $I_3$  is the  $3 \times 3$  identity matrix and  $0_{m,n}$  is the zero matrix in  $M_{m,n}(A)$ .

The stabilizer of  $\varphi_1^{(1)}$  in  $\text{GL}_5(A) \times \text{GL}_3(A)$  consists of the pairs  $(\theta, \alpha^{-1})$  with  $\theta = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ 0_{2,2} & \delta \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\delta \in \text{GL}_2(A)$ , and  $\beta \in M_{3,2}(A)$ . This follows from a straightforward computation.

The theory of elementary divisors implies that  $\varphi_0 \sim \varphi_0^{(1)}$ , where

$$(5) \quad \varphi_0^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} M \\ N \end{pmatrix}, \quad M \in M_{3,3}(A), \quad N = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \nu\nu_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \nu_1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since  $\varphi$  is nondegenerate, it follows that  $\nu_1 \in A^*$ . Indeed, otherwise we could find a prime  $\pi$  dividing  $\nu_1$ . Then  $\varphi_0^{(1)}$  has only one 3-minor which can be nontrivial modulo  $\pi$ , but this minor has roots on  $\mathbf{P}_{\bar{k}}^1$ , where  $\bar{k}$  denotes the algebraic closure of  $k = A/\pi$ , which contradicts the fact that the pullback of  $E$  along the morphism  $\mathbf{P}_{\bar{k}}^1 \rightarrow \mathbf{P}_A^1$  is a vector bundle of rank 2 on  $\mathbf{P}_{\bar{k}}^1$ .

Without loss of generality, we can assume that

$$(6) \quad \varphi = \varphi^{(1)} = t_1 \begin{pmatrix} I_3 \\ 0_{2,3} \end{pmatrix} + t_0 \begin{pmatrix} M(\varepsilon) \\ N(\nu) \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$(7) \quad N(\nu) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \nu & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and } M(\varepsilon) = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_{1,1} & \varepsilon_{1,2} & 0 \\ \varepsilon_{2,1} & \varepsilon_{2,2} & 0 \\ \varepsilon_{3,1} & \varepsilon_{3,2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**Proposition 2.1.1.** *Let  $A$  be a field. Suppose that  $\varphi$  is nondegenerate, and  $E = \text{Coker}(\varphi)$ . Then*

$$E \cong \begin{cases} \mathcal{O} + \mathcal{O}(1) & \text{for } \nu \neq 0; \\ \mathcal{O}(-1) + \mathcal{O}(2) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* The exactness of (2.1.1) shows that  $\text{Det } E \simeq \mathcal{O}_X(1)$ , and  $E \simeq \mathcal{O}_X(-d) + \mathcal{O}_X(d+1)$  for some  $d \geq 0$ . Consider the long exact sequence of cohomology associated to (2.1.1):

$$0 \longrightarrow H^0(X, E) \longrightarrow H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X^3(-2)) \simeq H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X(-2))^3 \simeq A^3 \longrightarrow 0.$$

It follows immediately that  $h^0(X, E) = 3$  and  $d \leq 1$ . To distinguish between the cases  $d = 0$  and  $d = 1$ , we use the long exact sequence associated to (2.1.1) twisted by  $\mathcal{O}(-1)$ . Namely, we have

$$(8) \quad 0 \rightarrow H^0(E(-1)) \longrightarrow H^1(\mathcal{O}_X^3(-3)) \xrightarrow{H^1(\varphi(-1))} H^1(\mathcal{O}_X^5(-2)) \longrightarrow H^1(E(-1)) \rightarrow 0.$$

When computing the middle arrow  $H^1(\varphi(-1))$ , it is more convenient to work with the adjoint arrow

$$H^0([\varphi(-1)]^\vee \otimes K_X) : H^0(\mathcal{O}_X)^5 \rightarrow H^0(\mathcal{O}_X(1))^3,$$

where  $K_X$  is the canonical bundle. We note that  $H^1(\varphi)^\vee = H^0(\varphi^\vee)$ . Consequently, the arrow  $H^0([\varphi(-1)]^\vee \otimes K_X)$  is given by multiplication by

$$\varphi^* \in M_{5,3}(\text{Hom}(\mathcal{O}_X, \mathcal{O}_X(1))),$$

the adjoint of  $\varphi$ . With respect to the bases  $f_1^*, \dots, f_5^*$ , and  $t_0e_1, \dots, t_0e_3, t_1e_1, \dots, t_1e_3$  the matrix of  $\varphi^*$  has the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \varepsilon_{1,1} & \varepsilon_{2,1} & \varepsilon_{3,1} & 0 & 0 \\ \varepsilon_{1,2} & \varepsilon_{2,2} & \varepsilon_{3,2} & \nu & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We finally conclude that  $H^0(X, E(-1)) = A \oplus A/\nu$ , and  $H^1(X, E(-1)) = A/\nu$ , thus  $d = 1$  if and only if  $\nu = 1$ , as desired.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.1.2.** *Let  $A$  be a domain, and  $\nu \neq 0$ . Then  $E = \text{Coker}(\varphi)$  is generically isomorphic to  $\mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{O}(1)$ , all the jumps have the form  $\mathcal{O}(-1) \oplus \mathcal{O}(2)$ , and lie exactly over the divisors of  $\nu$ . In particular, the ideal generated by  $\nu$  depends only on the isomorphism class of  $E$ . In this situation, we say that  $(\nu)$  is a discriminant ideal of  $E$  and write  $\Delta(E) = (\nu)$ .*

We will generally abuse notation by simply saying that  $\nu$  is a discriminant of  $E$  and writing  $\Delta(E) = \nu$ .

Further, let us assume that  $A$  is a PID. This assumption allows us to describe explicitly the orbits of the action of  $\mathrm{GL}_n(A)$  on  $A^n$ . As usual, given  $a, b \in A$ , we write  $(a, b) = c$  if  $Aa + Ab = (c)$ .

**2.1.4.** The arrow  $\varphi$  is nondegenerate if and only if its pullbacks to  $U_0$  and  $U_1$  are nondegenerate. We first treat the case of the restriction to the open set  $U_0$ :

$$(9) \quad \varphi|_{U_0} = \varphi_0 + x\varphi_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_{1,1} + x & \varepsilon_{1,2} & 0 \\ \varepsilon_{2,1} & \varepsilon_{2,2} + x & 0 \\ \varepsilon_{3,1} & \varepsilon_{3,2} & x \\ 0 & \nu & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

In this case, we obtain an obvious necessary condition for  $\varphi$  to be nondegenerate:

$$(10) \quad \gcd(\varepsilon_{2,1}, \varepsilon_{3,1}) = 1,$$

since the restriction of  $\varphi|_{U_0}$  to the point  $x = -\varepsilon_{1,1}$  must be of rank 3. Let  $\overline{\varepsilon_{2,1}}, \overline{\varepsilon_{3,1}} \in A$  be such that

$$(11) \quad \varepsilon_{2,1} \overline{\varepsilon_{2,1}} + \varepsilon_{3,1} \overline{\varepsilon_{3,1}} = 1.$$

**2.1.5.** A straightforward computation shows that the set of pairs  $(\rho', \alpha') \in \mathrm{GL}_5(A) \times \mathrm{GL}_3(A)$ , where

$$\rho' = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{1,1} & \alpha_{1,2} & \alpha_{1,3} & \beta_{1,1} & \beta_{1,2} \\ 0 & \alpha_{2,2} & \alpha_{2,3} & \beta_{2,1} & \beta_{2,2} \\ 0 & \alpha_{3,2} & \alpha_{3,3} & \beta_{3,1} & \beta_{3,2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \alpha_{2,2} & \alpha_{2,3}\nu \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \alpha_{3,2}/\nu & \alpha_{3,3} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \alpha' = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{1,1} & \alpha_{1,2} & \alpha_{1,3} \\ 0 & \delta_{1,1} & \delta_{1,2} \\ 0 & \delta_{2,1} & \delta_{2,2} \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$

contains the stabilizer of the set of matrices of the form (6). We also note that  $\alpha_{3,2} \equiv 0 \pmod{\nu}$ , thus

$$(12) \quad \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{2,2} & \alpha_{2,3} \\ \alpha_{3,2} & \alpha_{3,3} \end{pmatrix} \in \tilde{\Gamma}_0(\nu);$$

here  $\tilde{\Gamma}_0(\nu)$  denotes the group  $\{\gamma = (\gamma_{i,j}) \in \mathrm{GL}_2(A) : \gamma_{2,1} \equiv 0 \pmod{\nu}\}$ .

Now set  $\alpha_{1,2} = -\alpha_{1,1} \overline{\varepsilon_{2,1}} \varepsilon_{1,1}$ ,  $\alpha_{1,3} = -\alpha_{1,1} \overline{\varepsilon_{3,1}} \varepsilon_{1,1}$ , where  $\overline{\varepsilon_{2,1}}$  and  $\overline{\varepsilon_{3,1}}$  were defined in (11). According to the arbitrariness of the  $\beta_{i,j}$ , it follows that, for any nondegenerate arrow  $\varphi$ , there exists an equivalent arrow  $\varphi'$  of the form (6) such that  $\varepsilon_{1,1} = 0$ ; moreover, for  $1 \leq k \leq 3$ , the coefficients  $\varepsilon_{k,2}$  are defined modulo  $\nu$ .

Using the above argument, that is, restricting  $\varphi|_{U_0}$  to the point  $x = -\varepsilon_{2,2}$ , we obtain that at least one of the coefficients  $\varepsilon_{2,1}, \varepsilon_{3,1}$  is prime to  $\nu$ . It will therefore suffice to treat two cases: namely,  $(\varepsilon_{3,1}, \nu) = 1$  and  $(\varepsilon_{3,1}, \nu) \neq 1$ .

**2.1.6.** *The case  $(\varepsilon_{3,1}, \nu) = 1$ .* Since  $\varepsilon_{3,1}$  is prime to  $\nu$  and  $\varepsilon_{2,1}$  (see (10)), it follows that there exist  $\tau, \omega \in A$  such that  $\varepsilon_{2,1} \nu \tau + \varepsilon_{3,1} \omega = 1$ . Then set

$$(13) \quad \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{2,2} & \alpha_{2,3} \\ \alpha_{3,2} & \alpha_{3,3} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_{3,1} & -\varepsilon_{2,1} \\ \nu \tau & \omega \end{pmatrix} \in \tilde{\Gamma}_0(\nu).$$

In this case, we have

$$(14) \quad \varphi \sim t_0 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \varepsilon_{1,2} & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon_{2,2} & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \nu & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + t_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**2.1.7.** *The case  $(\varepsilon_{3,1}, \nu) \neq 1$ .* A simple computation shows that

$$(15) \quad \varphi \sim t_0 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \varepsilon_{1,2} & 0 \\ 1 & \varepsilon_{2,2} & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon_{3,2} & 0 \\ 0 & \nu & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + t_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**2.1.8.** We note that any nondegenerate  $\varphi$  is equivalent either to (14) or (15) in the sense of 2.1.2; thus we are reduced to proving nondegeneracy conditions for arrows of such form.

**Proposition 2.1.3.** *Let  $\varphi$  be as in (14). Then  $\varphi$  is nondegenerate if and only if  $\varepsilon_{2,2} = 0$  and  $(\varepsilon_{1,2}, \nu) = 1$ .*

*Proof.* We must show that the restrictions  $\varphi|_{U_0}$  and  $\varphi|_{U_1}$  are nondegenerate. We first consider the restriction

$$\varphi|_{U_1} = y\varphi_0 + \varphi_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varepsilon_{1,2}y & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon_{2,2}y + 1 & 0 \\ y & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \nu y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & y \end{pmatrix}.$$

It is easy to see that  $\varphi|_{U_1}$  is nondegenerate if and only if the map

$$A[y] \rightarrow A[y]^3 : 1 \mapsto (\varepsilon_{2,2}y + 1, \nu y, \varepsilon_{1,2}y^3)$$

is injective and its cokernel is a projective module. We now observe that the latter is equivalent to the assertion that the inclusion  $A[y] \rightarrow A[y]^3$  is a split morphism; thus the map  $\varphi|_{U_1}$  is nondegenerate if and only if the row  $(\varepsilon_{2,2}y + 1, \nu y, \varepsilon_{1,2}y^3)$  is unimodular.

If  $(\varepsilon_{2,2}y + 1, \nu y, \varepsilon_{1,2}y^3)$  is unimodular, then its restriction to the point  $y = \nu$  given by

$$(\varepsilon_{2,2}\nu + 1, \nu^2, \varepsilon_{1,2}\nu^3),$$

is also unimodular; consequently there exist a triple  $(a, b, c) \in A^3$  such that

$$a(\varepsilon_{2,2}\nu + 1) + b\nu^2 + c\varepsilon_{1,2}\nu^3 = 1.$$

It follows immediately that  $a = 1$  and  $\varepsilon_{2,2} \equiv 0 \pmod{\nu}$ ; consequently, according to the remark in the end of 2.1.5, we obtain an equality  $\varepsilon_{2,2} = 0$ .

Next, we consider the restriction of  $\varphi$  to the open set  $U_0$ :

$$\varphi|_{U_0} = \varphi_0 + x\varphi_1 = \begin{pmatrix} x & \varepsilon_{1,2} & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon_{2,2} + x & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & x \\ 0 & \nu & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

By repeating the above argument, we deduce that  $\varphi|_{U_0}$  is nondegenerate if and only if the row

$$(16) \quad (\varepsilon_{1,2}, \varepsilon_{2,2} + x, \nu)$$

is unimodular. Restricting to the point  $x = 0$  (and using the equality  $\varepsilon_{2,2} = 0$ ), we get the desired condition  $(\varepsilon_{1,2}, \nu) = 1$ .

We now complete the proof by showing that every  $\varphi$  satisfying the conditions of Proposition 2.1.3 is nondegenerate. Let  $\varphi$  be a map of the form (14) such that  $\varepsilon_{2,2} = 0$  and  $(\varepsilon_{1,2}, \nu) = 1$ .

Since the restriction  $\varphi|_{U_1}$  is obviously nondegenerate, it suffices to prove that  $\varphi|_{U_0}$  is nondegenerate. As we observed above, the latter is equivalent to the unimodularity of the row (16). Define  $\zeta$  and  $\xi$  by  $\varepsilon_{1,2}\zeta + \nu\xi = 1$ . It is easy to check that

$$(\zeta + x\zeta) \cdot \varepsilon_{1,2} - 1 \cdot x + (\xi + x\xi) \cdot \nu = 1,$$

so the row  $(\varepsilon_{1,2}, x, \nu)$  is unimodular.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.1.4.** *Let  $\varphi$  be as in (15). Then  $\varphi$  is nondegenerate if and only if  $\varepsilon_{2,2} = 0$ ,  $\varepsilon_{1,2} = 0$ , and  $(\nu, \varepsilon_{3,2}) = 1$ .*

*Proof.* The proof is similar to that of Proposition 2.1.3 but easier.

We first consider the restriction of  $\varphi$  to  $U_1$  given by

$$\varphi|_{U_1} = y\varphi_0 + \varphi_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \varepsilon_{1,2}y & 0 \\ y & \varepsilon_{2,2}y + 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon_{3,2}y & 1 \\ 0 & \nu y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & y \end{pmatrix}.$$

Suppose that  $\varphi|_{U_1}$  is nondegenerate. It then follows easily that  $\varepsilon_{2,2} = 0$ ,  $\varepsilon_{1,2} = 0$ , and the row  $(\nu, \varepsilon_{3,2})$  is unimodular; conversely, if  $\varphi$  satisfies the conditions of the proposition, then its restriction to the open set  $U_1$  is obviously nondegenerate; consequently, it will suffice to prove the non-degeneracy of  $\varphi|_{U_0}$ . This can be done by checking the unimodularity of the row  $(-x^2, \varepsilon_{3,2}, \nu)$ . Since  $(\nu, \varepsilon_{3,2}) = 1$  (see 2.1.4), there exist  $\zeta, \xi \in A$  such that  $\nu\zeta + \varepsilon_{3,2}\xi = 1$ . Then we have

$$-x^2 \cdot 1 + \varepsilon_{3,2} \cdot (\xi + x^2\xi) + \nu \cdot (\zeta + x^2\zeta) = 1,$$

which completes the proof.  $\square$

**2.2. A classification theorem.** First, we need to introduce a bit of notation.

Let  $\varepsilon \in A$ . We will denote the matrices  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \varepsilon & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  by  $M_1(\varepsilon)$  and  $M_2(\varepsilon)$ , respectively.

For each  $\nu \in A$ , we let  $N(\nu)$  denote the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \nu & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , and we define  $\tilde{N}(\nu) = \begin{pmatrix} \nu & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Let  $(\nu, \varepsilon) \in A^2$  be a pair such that  $\nu \notin A^* \cup \{0\}$  and  $(\varepsilon, \nu) = 1$ . For any such pair, we let  $V_1(\nu, \varepsilon)$  denote the bundle  $\text{Coker}(\varphi)$ , where  $\varphi$  is given by the formula

$$(17) \quad \varphi = t_0 \begin{pmatrix} M_1(\varepsilon) \\ N(\nu) \end{pmatrix} + t_1 \begin{pmatrix} I_3 \\ 0_{2,3} \end{pmatrix}.$$

If the pair  $(\nu, \varepsilon) \in A^2$  is as above, we let  $V_2(\nu, \varepsilon)$  denote the bundle  $\text{Coker}(\varphi)$ , where  $\varphi$  is the matrix

$$(18) \quad \varphi = t_0 \begin{pmatrix} M_2(\varepsilon) \\ N(\nu) \end{pmatrix} + t_1 \begin{pmatrix} I_3 \\ 0_{2,3} \end{pmatrix}.$$

**Theorem 2.2.1.** *Let  $A$  be a PID, and let  $E$  be a vector bundle on  $\mathbf{P}_A^1$  such that  $E$  is generically isomorphic to  $\mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{O}(1)$  and  $E_y \simeq \mathcal{O}(-1) \oplus \mathcal{O}(2)$  for every closed jump point  $y \in \text{Spec } A$ . Suppose moreover that the set of jump points is nonempty. Then  $E$  is isomorphic either to  $V_1(\nu, \varepsilon)$  or to  $V_2(\nu, \varepsilon)$  for some pair  $(\nu, \varepsilon)$  such that  $\nu \in A \setminus \{0\} \cup A^*$  and  $\varepsilon$  is prime to  $\nu$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\nu \notin A^* \cup \{0\}$ ,  $\varepsilon \in A$ , and  $(\nu, \varepsilon) = 1$ . Then Propositions 2.1.3 and 2.1.4 immediately imply that  $V_1(\nu, \varepsilon)$  and  $V_2(\nu, \varepsilon)$  define vector bundles with the generic fiber  $\mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{O}(1)$  and simple jumps.

It follows by construction that every such bundle can be obtained as a bundle  $\text{Coker}(\varphi)$ , where  $\varphi$  is either as in (17) or as in (18).  $\square$

*Remark 2.2.2.* Suppose that  $\nu, \nu' \notin A^* \cup \{0\}$ . It follows from Theorem 2.2.1 that, for every unimodular pair  $(\nu, \varepsilon)$  and every unimodular pair  $(\nu', \varepsilon')$ ,  $V_1(\nu, \varepsilon) \not\simeq V_2(\nu', \varepsilon')$ .

**2.3. Morphisms between the bundles.** We shall describe morphisms between the bundles in question. Let  $F$  and  $G$  be vector bundles with the generic fiber  $\mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{O}(1)$  and simple jumps. We can use the functoriality of Beilinson spectral sequence (see 2.1.1) and canonical isomorphisms

$$(19) \quad H^0(F(1)) \simeq A^5, \quad H^0(F) \simeq A^5, \quad H^0(G(1)) \simeq A^5, \quad \text{and} \quad H^0(G) \simeq A^3$$

to reduce to the problem of describing commutative diagrams of the following form

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathcal{O}^3(-2) & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & \mathcal{O}^5(-1) & \longrightarrow & F & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ \theta \downarrow & & \downarrow \lambda & & & & \\ \mathcal{O}^3(-2) & \xrightarrow{\psi} & \mathcal{O}^5(-1) & \longrightarrow & G & \longrightarrow & 0, \end{array}$$

where  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  are the arrows defining  $F$  and  $G$ , respectively. We have the following commutativity equation:

$$(20) \quad \lambda\varphi = \psi\theta,$$

where  $\lambda \in \text{GL}_5(A)$  and  $\theta \in \text{GL}_3(A)$ .

According to Theorem 2.2.1, we may choose these arrows either as in (17) or as in (18).

**Proposition 2.3.1.** *Let  $F \simeq V_i(\nu, \varepsilon)$  and  $G \simeq V_j(\mu, \zeta)$ , where  $(\nu, \varepsilon) = 1$ ,  $(\mu, \zeta) = 1$ ,  $\nu, \mu \notin A^* \cup \{0\}$ , and  $1 \leq i, j \leq 2$ . The functor  $H^0$  and the canonical isomorphisms in (19) identify  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}}(F, G)$  with the set of those  $\theta = (\theta_{k,l}) \in M_{3,3}(A)$  satisfying the following conditions:*

- (1)  $\theta_{2,1} = \theta_{3,1} = 0$ .

$$(2) \quad \tilde{N}(\mu)\tilde{\theta}\tilde{N}(\nu)^{-1} \in M_{2,2}(A), \text{ where } \tilde{\theta} = \begin{pmatrix} \theta_{2,2} & \theta_{2,3} \\ \theta_{3,2} & \theta_{3,3} \end{pmatrix}.$$

(3) The matrix  $M^\theta = ((M_j(\zeta)\theta - \theta M_i(\varepsilon))_{i,k})$ , where  $1 \leq l \leq 3$  and  $2 \leq k \leq 3$ , satisfies

$$M^\theta \tilde{N}(\nu)^{-1} \in M_{3,2}(A), \quad 2 \leq k \leq 3.$$

(4) The first column of the matrix  $M_j(\zeta)\theta - \theta M_i(\varepsilon)$  is zero.

*Proof.* Suppose that there exist a pair of morphisms  $(\lambda, \theta)$  such that (20) holds. Then set  $\lambda = (\lambda_{i,j})$ , where  $\lambda_{1,1} \in M_{3,3}(A)$ ,  $\lambda_{1,2} \in M_{2,3}(A)$ ,  $\lambda_{2,1} \in M_{3,2}(A)$ , and  $\lambda_{2,2} \in M_{2,2}(A)$ .

Restricting the commutativity equation to the point  $t_0 = 0$ , we obtain the following equalities

$$\lambda_{1,1} = \theta \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda_{2,1} = 0_{3,2}.$$

For  $t_1 = 0$ , the restriction of (20) holds if and only if

$$(21) \quad \theta M_i(\varepsilon) + \lambda_{1,2}N(\nu) = M_j(\zeta)\theta, \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda_{2,2}N(\nu) = N(\mu)\theta.$$

Since  $\lambda_{1,2}$  and  $\lambda_{2,2}$  are defined by  $\theta$ , we are reduced to proving the equivalence of the condition for these matrices to be integral (that is, defined over  $A$ ) and the conditions in the statement. The result now follows from a simple explicit computation (see the definition of  $N(\nu)$  in the beginning of 2.2).  $\square$

To complete the classification, it suffices to describe isomorphic bundles of the form  $V_i(\nu, \varepsilon)$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ .

**Proposition 2.3.2** (Isomorphic bundles of the form  $V_1$ ). *Let  $(\nu, \varepsilon)$  and  $(\mu, \zeta)$  be as in the statement of Theorem 2.2.1. Then  $V_1(\nu, \varepsilon) \simeq V_1(\mu, \zeta)$  if and only if  $(\mu) = (\nu)$  and there exists  $\eta \in A^*$  satisfying*

$$(22) \quad \zeta \equiv \eta \varepsilon \pmod{\nu}.$$

*Proof.* Suppose that  $F$  and  $G$  are isomorphic. Then it follows from Corollary 2.1.2 that  $(\nu) = (\mu)$ . We may identify the set of isomorphisms between  $F$  and  $G$  with the set of those  $\theta \in \text{GL}_3(A)$  which satisfy the conditions (1) through (4) of Proposition 2.3.1. Namely, applying (1) and (4), we see that

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\theta_{1,3} \\ -\theta_{2,3} \\ \theta_{1,1} - \theta_{3,3} \end{pmatrix} = 0_3;$$

thus  $\theta_{1,3} = \theta_{2,3} = 0$ ,  $\theta_{1,1} = \theta_{3,3}$ , and

$$\theta = \begin{pmatrix} \theta_{1,1} & \theta_{1,2} & 0 \\ 0 & \theta_{2,2} & 0 \\ 0 & \theta_{3,2} & \theta_{1,1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Now we observe that  $\theta_{1,1}$  and  $\theta_{2,2}$  are units in  $A$ . The condition (3) is equivalent to the assertion that  $\theta_{1,2} \equiv 0 \pmod{\nu}$ , and  $\theta_{1,1}, \theta_{2,2}$  satisfy  $\varepsilon \theta_{2,2} \equiv \zeta \theta_{1,1} \pmod{\nu}$ ; this proves that (22) is a necessary condition.

Suppose we are given bundles  $V_1(\nu, \varepsilon)$  and  $V_1(\mu, \zeta)$ , and suppose that  $\varepsilon \eta = \zeta$  for some  $\eta \in A^*$ . To prove that these bundles are isomorphic, it suffices to find  $\theta = (\theta_{i,j}) \in \text{GL}_3(A)$  which satisfies the integrality conditions of Proposition 2.3.1.

It is now easy to check that  $\theta$  given by the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} \eta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \eta \end{pmatrix}$  has the desired properties.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.3.3** (Isomorphic bundles of the form  $V_2$ ). *Let  $(\nu, \varepsilon)$  and  $(\mu, \zeta)$  be as in the statement of Theorem 2.2.1. Then  $V_1(\nu, \varepsilon) \simeq V_1(\mu, \zeta)$  if and only if  $(\mu) = (\nu)$  and there exists  $\eta \in A^*$  satisfying*

$$(23) \quad \zeta \equiv \eta \varepsilon \pmod{\nu}.$$

*Proof.* Suppose that  $V_1(\nu, \varepsilon) \simeq V_1(\mu, \zeta)$ . Arguing as in the proof of Proposition 2.3.2, we deduce that  $(\mu) = (\nu)$ , that  $\theta_{1,2} = \theta_{3,2} = 0$  and  $\theta_{1,1} = \theta_{2,2}$ , and that the units  $\theta_{1,1}$  and  $\theta_{3,3}$  satisfy the congruence  $\zeta \theta_{1,1} \equiv \theta_{3,3} \varepsilon \pmod{\nu}$ ; thus the congruence (23) holds for  $\eta = \theta_{1,1}^{-1} \theta_{3,3}$ . The conditions (2) and (3) of Proposition 2.3.1 imply that  $\theta_{1,3} \equiv \theta_{2,3} \equiv 0 \pmod{\nu}$ .

It is straightforward to check that the condition (23) is sufficient. For example, we may set

$$(24) \quad \theta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \eta \end{pmatrix}.$$

This  $\theta \in \mathrm{GL}_3(A)$  induces the desired isomorphism.  $\square$

*Remark 2.3.4.* Let  $K$  be the field of fractions of  $A$ . Then  $E_K \simeq \mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{O}(1)$  and  $\mathrm{Aut}(E)$  is isomorphic to a subgroup of  $\mathrm{Aut}(E_K) \simeq (K^*)^2 \times K^2$ . It follows from the proofs of the above propositions that  $\mathrm{Aut}(E) \simeq (A^*)^2 \times (\nu A)^2$ .

**Example 2.3.5.** Let  $A = \mathbb{Z}$ . It follows easily from Proposition 2.3.2 and Proposition 2.3.3 that there are only finitely many bundles of a given discriminant  $\Delta$  (up to isomorphism): namely, the number of non-isomorphic bundles of discriminant  $\Delta$  is given by  $\varphi(\Delta)$ , where  $\varphi$  is Euler's totient function.

**2.4. Gluing matrices.** In this section, we phrase the classification in terms of gluing matrices (see 1.4). Let  $\nu$  and  $\varepsilon$  be as in Theorem 2.2.1, and let  $\alpha, \beta \in A$  be such that  $\nu\alpha - \varepsilon\beta = -1$ . Two results below follow from an explicit computation; we refer the reader to [4] for details.

**Proposition 2.4.1.** *Given a vector bundle  $E = V_1(\nu, \varepsilon)$ , then there exist frames  $e_1, e_2$  and  $f_1, f_2$  of  $E$  over  $U_0$  and  $U_1$ , respectively, such that over the open set  $U_{01}$  we have*

$$(e_1, e_2) \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon x^{-1} & \nu x \\ \alpha & \beta x^2 \end{pmatrix} = (f_1, f_2).$$

**Proposition 2.4.2.** *Given a vector bundle  $E = V_1(\nu, \varepsilon)$ , then there exist frames  $e_1, e_2$  and  $f_1, f_2$  of  $E$  over  $U_0$  and  $U_1$ , respectively, such that over the open set  $U_{01}$  we have*

$$(e_1, e_2) \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon x^{-1} & \nu \\ \alpha x & \beta x^2 \end{pmatrix} = (f_1, f_2).$$

This description has several geometrical consequences. Combining Propositions 2.4.1 and 2.4.2 with Propositions 2.3.2 and 2.3.3, we see that if  $\varepsilon \in A^*$  then, for every  $\nu \notin A^* \cup \{0\}$  and  $i = 1, 2$ , the bundles  $V_i(\nu, \varepsilon)$  have  $\mathcal{O}(-1)$  as a subbundle (indeed, since the corresponding gluing matrices can be chosen to be upper triangular).

Moreover, given a vector bundle  $E$  with the generic fiber  $\mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{O}(1)$  and simple jumps, it gives rise to an exact sequence of vector bundles on  $\mathbf{P}_{A_\pi}^1$ , where  $\pi$  is a prime divisor of  $\Delta(E)$  and  $A_\pi$  is a localization of  $A$  at  $\pi$  (or its completion); namely

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(-1) \rightarrow E_\pi \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(2) \rightarrow 0,$$

where  $E_\pi$  is the pullback of  $E$  along the morphism  $\mathbf{P}_{A_\pi}^1 \rightarrow \mathbf{P}_A^1$ . The sequence is split modulo  $\pi^k$  if and only if  $k \leq v_\pi(\Delta(E))$ .

A question arises: whether every bundle from our classification has  $\mathcal{O}(-1)$  as a subbundle globally?

In the case  $A = \mathbb{Z}$ , the answer is negative and has an arithmetic nature.

**Theorem 2.4.3.** *Let  $\nu \neq 0$  be a noninvertible integer, and let  $\varepsilon$  be relatively prime to  $\nu$ . If  $\varepsilon$  is not a perfect cube modulo  $\nu$ , then  $\mathcal{O}(-1) \not\subseteq V_i(\nu, \varepsilon)$  for  $i = 1, 2$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $V = V_i(\nu, \varepsilon) \otimes \mathcal{O}(1)$ .

Since  $V$  has no jumps outside  $\nu$ , we can choose an isomorphism  $f_{gen} : V \simeq \mathcal{O}(1) \oplus \mathcal{O}(2)$  over  $\mathbb{Z}[\nu^{-1}]$ . Moreover, we may assume that  $H^0(f_{gen})(s) = g_1 + g_2$ , where  $g_1 \in H^0(\mathcal{O}(1))$  and  $g_2 \in H^0(\mathcal{O}(2))$ . On the other hand, there exists an isomorphism  $f_{sp} : V \simeq \mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{O}(3)$  over  $\mathbb{Z}/(\nu)$  that can be chosen so that  $H^0(f_{sp})(s) = h_1 + h_2$  with  $h_1 \in H^0(\mathcal{O})$  and  $h_2 \in H^0(\mathcal{O}(3))$ .

Suppose that  $\mathcal{O} \subseteq V$ , that is there exists a section  $s \in H^0(V)$ , which has no zeroes on  $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1$ . This is equivalent to the assertion that  $H^0(f_{gen})(s)$  has no zeroes on  $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1 \times \mathbb{Z}[\nu^{-1}]$  and  $H^0(f_{sp})(s)$  has no zeroes on  $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1 \times \mathbb{Z}/(\nu)$ ; in addition, the existence of common zeroes of corresponding polynomials could be verified using their resultants. Thus,  $s$  is nowhere zero if and only if  $Res(g_1, g_2) \in \mathbb{Z}[\nu^{-1}]^*$  and  $Res(h_1, h_2) \in (\mathbb{Z}/(\nu))^*$ . Since  $h_1 \in H^0(\mathcal{O}) \simeq \mathbb{Z}/(\nu)$ , the latter condition is satisfied if and only if  $h_1 \in (\mathbb{Z}/(\nu))^*$ .

Then we fix isomorphisms  $f_{gen}$  and  $f_{sp}$  defined by the following identities (see Section 1.4)

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\beta x^{1+j} & \nu \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon x^{-1} & \nu x^{1-j} \\ \alpha x^j & \beta x^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ \varepsilon \nu^{-1} x^{-2+j} & \nu^{-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x^j & 0 \\ 0 & x^{1-j} \end{pmatrix},$$

and

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon x^{-1} & \nu x^{1-j} \\ \alpha x^j & \beta x^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon^{-1} & 0 \\ -\alpha(\beta\varepsilon)^{-1} x^{-2+j} & \beta^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} x^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & x^2 \end{pmatrix} \pmod{\nu}$$

where  $j = 0, 1$ ; we note that  $\varepsilon$  and  $\beta$  are invertible in  $\mathbb{Z}/(\nu)$ , since  $\varepsilon\beta - \alpha\nu = 1$ .

From here, the proof is straightforward. By Lemma 2.4.4 below, it follows that  $h_1 = u_0 \pmod{\nu}$ , so that

$$(25) \quad u_0 \in (\mathbb{Z}/(\nu))^*.$$

In the case  $V(-1) = V_1(\nu, \varepsilon)$ , applying Lemma 2.4.4 and the isomorphism  $f_{gen}$ , we obtain  $g_1 = \nu v_0 t_0 + (\nu v_1 - \beta u_1) t_1$  and  $g_2 = u_0 t_0^2 + \nu u_1 t_0 t_1 + \nu u_2 t_1^2$ . If we restrict these sections to  $U_0$ , we get the following Diophantine equation

$$(26) \quad Res(g_1|_{U_0}, g_2|_{U_0}) = u_0(\nu v_1 - \beta u_0)^2 - \nu^2 v_0(u_1(\nu v_1 - \beta u_0) - \nu v_0 u_2) = \pm \nu^l,$$

where  $l \in \mathbb{Z}$ , but (25) implies that  $l = 0$ . To finish the proof of the theorem in this case it remains to reduce (26) modulo  $\nu$ . Indeed, we have

$$-\beta^2 u_0^3 \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{\nu},$$

and  $\beta \equiv \varepsilon^{-1} \pmod{\nu}$ .

When  $V(-1) = V_2(\nu, \varepsilon)$ , the argument is quite analogous to what we did above. In this case, we obtain

$$(27) \quad \text{Res}(g_1|_{U_0}, g_2|_{U_0}) = -u_0(\nu^2 u_2 v_1 - u_0(\nu v_2 - \beta u_0)) + \nu^3 v_0 u_2 = \pm 1.$$

To prove the theorem, we again consider the equation (27) reduced modulo  $\nu$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 2.4.4.** *Let  $V = V_i(\nu, \varepsilon) \otimes \mathcal{O}(1)$ , where  $\nu$  and  $\varepsilon$  are integers as in Theorem 2.2.1, and let  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Z}$  be such that  $\varepsilon\beta - \nu\alpha = 1$ . Then*

$$H^0(V) = \begin{cases} \{(u_0 t_0^2 + \nu u_1 t_0 t_1 + \nu u_2 t_1^2, v_0 t_0^3 + v_1 t_0^2 t_1 + \beta u_1 t_0 t_1^2 + \beta u_2 t_1^3)\}, & \text{if } i = 1, \\ \{(u_0 t_0 + \nu u_1 t_1, v_0 t_0^3 + v_1 t_0^2 t_1 + v_2 t_0 t_1^2 + \beta u_1 t_1^3)\}, & \text{if } i = 2, \end{cases}$$

where  $u_k, v_k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2$ .

*Proof.* Using Propositions 2.4.1 and 2.4.2 we can easily compute  $H^0(V(1))$ ; indeed, every global section can be written in the form  $s = (s_1 e_1 + s_2 e_2)t_0$ , where  $e_1, e_2$  is a frame of  $V$  over  $U_0$ , and  $s_1, s_2 \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$  satisfy certain compatibility conditions. Namely, if  $i = 1$ , then Proposition 2.4.1 provides the following condition  $-\alpha s_1 y^2 + \varepsilon s_2 y^3, \beta s_1 - \nu s_2 y \in \mathbb{Z}[y]$ , where  $y = x^{-1}$ . Applying Proposition 2.4.2, we obtain  $-\alpha s_1 y + \varepsilon s_2 y^3, \beta s_1 - \nu s_2 y^2 \in \mathbb{Z}[y]$  in the case  $i = 2$ . The lemma now follows immediately.  $\square$

*Remark 2.4.5.* It follows from the proof of Theorem 2.4.3 that the existence of integer solutions of (26) with  $l = 0$ , and (27) is equivalent to the assertion that  $\mathcal{O}(-1) \subset V_i(\nu, \varepsilon)$ . Using a computer program we checked this for pairs  $(\nu, \varepsilon) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ , such that  $|\nu| \leq 30$  and  $\varepsilon$  being a perfect square modulo  $\nu$ . In these cases, the integer solutions exist, which leads us to the natural question, if the latter condition on  $\varepsilon$  is sufficient for a bundle  $V_i(\nu, \varepsilon)$  to have  $\mathcal{O}(-1)$  as a subbundle.

### 3. BINARY CUBIC FORMS AND SUBBUNDLES

There is another approach to obtaining vector bundles with generic fiber  $\mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{O}(1)$  and simple jumps; namely, those which have  $\mathcal{O}(-2)$  as a subbundle. Moreover, given such a bundle  $E$ , there is a filtration

$$(28) \quad 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(-2) \rightarrow E \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(3) \rightarrow 0.$$

We first note that every such bundle defines an element in  $\text{Ext}^1(\mathcal{O}(3), \mathcal{O}(-2)) \simeq H^0(\mathcal{O}(3))^\vee$ : that is, a binary cubic form. We are interested in obtaining a characterization of such cubic forms.

Throughout this section, we will focus our attention on the case  $A = \mathbb{Z}$ .

**3.1. Serre duality.** Let  $V$  be a free  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module of rank 2. Consider the scheme  $\mathbb{P}(V) \simeq \mathbf{P}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1 \simeq \text{Proj}(\mathbb{Z}[t_0, t_1])$ , where  $t_0, t_1$  is a basis of  $V^\vee$  (dual to some basis  $v_0, v_1$  of  $V$ ). As usual,  $H^0(\mathbb{P}(V), \mathcal{O}(i)) = \Gamma(\mathbb{P}(V), \mathcal{O}(i)) \simeq \text{Sym}^i(V^\vee)$ .

According to Serre duality for projective spaces, there is a natural isomorphism  $H^1(\mathbb{P}(V), \mathcal{O}(-2-i)) \simeq (\widetilde{\text{Sym}}^i(V^\vee))^\vee$ . An explicit identification can be described as follows:

$$(29) \quad t_0^{l_0} t_1^{l_1} \mapsto \sum_{(m_1, \dots, m_i)} v_{m_1} \otimes \dots \otimes v_{m_i},$$

where  $l_j < 0$ ,  $l_0 + l_1 = -2 - i$  and the sum is taken over all sequences  $(m_1, \dots, m_i)$  that contain  $-1 - l_j$  terms equal to  $j$ .

**3.2. Bundles associated to cubic forms.** Let  $(p, q, r, s) \in A^4$ . To the section  $f(t_0, t_1) = pt_0^{-4}t_1^{-1} + qt_0^{-3}t_1^{-2} + rt_0^{-2}t_1^{-3} + st_0^{-1}t_1^{-4} \in H^1(\mathcal{O}(-5))$ , we associate an isomorphism class of the bundle  $E_f$  defined by the gluing matrix

$$(30) \quad \sigma_f = \begin{pmatrix} x^{-2} & \tilde{f} \\ 0 & x^3 \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $\tilde{f}$  denotes the Laurent polynomial  $px^{-1} + q + rx + sx^2$ ; thus we obtain a map from  $\text{Ext}^1(\mathcal{O}(-3), \mathcal{O}(2))$  to the set of the isomorphism classes of vector bundles admitting a filtration of the form (28). It follows immediately that  $\text{Det}(E_f) \simeq \mathcal{O}(1)$ ; consequently the fibers of  $E_f$  over the closed points of  $\text{Spec}(A)$  are isomorphic to  $\mathcal{O}(-l) \oplus \mathcal{O}(l+1)$ , where  $0 \leq l \leq 2$ . We can compute cohomology of  $E_f(-1)$  to distinguish between the cases  $l = 0$ ,  $l = 1$ , and  $l = 2$ .

For every  $d \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $d \neq 0, \pm 1$ , we set  $X_d = \mathbf{P}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1 \times_{\text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}} \text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}/(d)$ .

**Proposition 3.2.1.** *Let  $E_f$  be as above, and let  $d$  be an integer such that  $d \neq 0, \pm 1$ . If  $F$  is the pullback of  $E_f(-1)$  along the morphism  $X_d \rightarrow \mathbf{P}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1$ , then*

$$(31) \quad h^0(X_d, F) = 3 - \text{rk} \begin{pmatrix} p & q & r \\ q & r & s \end{pmatrix}.$$

*Proof.* To prove this, fix frames  $g_1, g_2$  and  $h_1, h_2$  of  $F$  over the open sets  $U_0$  and  $U_1$ , respectively, such that

$$(32) \quad (g_1, g_2)\sigma_f = (h_1, h_2) \text{ over } U_{01}.$$

Let  $s$  be an element of  $H^0(X_d, F)$ . Then we can write  $s = s_1g_1 + s_2g_2$  for some polynomials  $s_1, s_2 \in \mathcal{O}_{X_d}(U_0) = (\mathbb{Z}/(d))[x]$ . Applying (32), we see that

$$s = (s_1x^3 - s_2\tilde{f})h_1 + s_2x^{-2}h_2 = (s_1y^{-3} - s_2\tilde{f})h_1 + s_2y^2h_2,$$

where  $y = x^{-1}$ .

Thus  $s$  is a global section if and only if the polynomials  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  satisfy the following conditions:

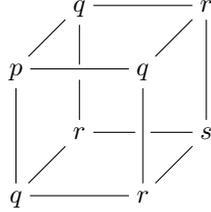
- (1)  $s_1y^{-3} - s_2\tilde{f} \in \mathcal{O}_{X_d}(U_1) = (\mathbb{Z}/(d))[y]$ .
- (2)  $s_2y^2 \in \mathcal{O}_{X_d}(U_1) = (\mathbb{Z}/(d))[y]$ .

It follows immediately from the second condition that  $\deg(s_2) \leq 2$ . Consequently, we deduce from the first condition that  $\deg(s_1) \leq 1$ ; moreover, coefficients of  $s_1$  are uniquely determined by this property and coefficients of  $s_2$ . Let  $s_2 = u_0 + u_1x + u_2x^2$ . Then the first condition is reduced to the following system of linear equations:

$$(33) \quad \begin{cases} su_0 + ru_1 + qu_2 = 0 \\ ru_0 + qu_1 + pu_2 = 0. \end{cases}$$

This completes the proof of the proposition.  $\square$

**3.3.** Applying the identification (29) to  $f$ , we obtain an element of  $(\text{Sym}^3 V^\vee)^\vee$  which can be represented by the following Bhargava cube



and the binary cubic form  $C(v_0, v_1) = pv_0^3 + 3qv_0^2v_1 + 3rv_0v_1^2 + sv_1^3$  associated to it; see [12]. The form  $C$  will play an important role in the construction below. Let  $H$  be the Hessian of  $C$ , its covariant defined by the formula

$$(34) \quad H(v_0, v_1) = (q^2 - pr)v_0^2 + (ps - qr)v_0v_1 + (r^2 - qs)v_1^2.$$

We note that a binary cubic form  $C$  has vanishing Hessian,  $H \equiv 0$ , if and only if  $C$  has a single triple root.

**3.4.** Combining Proposition 3.2.1 with the above observations, we deduce the following results:

**Proposition 3.4.1.** *Let  $F$  be as in the statement of Proposition 3.2.1. Then*

$$(35) \quad F \simeq \begin{cases} \mathcal{O}(-1) \oplus \mathcal{O} & \text{if } \overline{H} \neq 0. \\ \mathcal{O}(-2) \oplus \mathcal{O}(1) & \text{if } \overline{H} \equiv 0 \text{ and } \overline{C} \neq 0. \\ \mathcal{O}(-3) \oplus \mathcal{O}(2) & \text{if } \overline{C}, \overline{H} \equiv 0. \end{cases}$$

Where  $\overline{C}, \overline{H} \in (\mathbb{Z}/(d))[x]$  denote the reductions of  $C$  and  $H$  modulo  $d$ , respectively.

**Theorem 3.4.2.** *Let  $E_f$  be a vector bundle on  $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbb{Z}}^1$  associated to  $f \in \text{Ext}^1(\mathcal{O}(3), \mathcal{O}(-2))$  in Section 3.2, and let  $C = pv_0^3 + 3qv_0^2v_1 + 3rv_0v_1^2 + sv_1^3$  be a binary cubic form with the Hessian  $H$  defined in Section 3.3. Then  $E_f$  is generically isomorphic to  $\mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{O}(1)$  and its jumps have the form  $\mathcal{O}(-1) \oplus \mathcal{O}(2)$  if and only if the following conditions hold:*

- (1)  $\gcd(p, q, r, s) = 1$ .
- (2) *There is an integer  $d \neq 0, \pm 1$  such that the reduction of  $H$  modulo  $d$  is identically zero in  $(\mathbb{Z}/(d))[x]$ .*

Moreover,  $d$  satisfies the condition (2) if and only if  $d \notin \mathbb{Z}^*$  is a non-zero divisor of  $\Delta(E_f)$ .

*Proof.* This is clear from the characterization of special fibers of  $E_f$  in Proposition 3.4.1. The last assertion follows from the definition of  $\Delta$  (see 2.1.2).  $\square$

Suppose that  $\gcd(p, q, r, s) = 1$ . Thus given a binary cubic form  $C = pv_0^3 + 3qv_0^2v_1 + 3rv_0v_1^2 + sv_1^3$  of discriminant  $D$ , its reductions modulo divisors of  $D$  have double or triple roots. This data determines a vector bundle  $E$  of discriminant  $\Delta(E)$  such that  $D = \Delta(E)\tilde{D}$  and the reduction of  $C$  modulo  $d$  has a triple root whenever  $d$  divides  $\Delta(E)$ . We also note that the conditions of Theorem 3.4.2 are invariant under the  $\text{GL}_2$ -equivalence of binary forms. This raises the following question: can we interpret the statement of Theorem 2.2.1 in terms of the classification of cubic forms (or equivalently, in terms of orders in cubic fields)?

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