

On π -uniform Vector Bundles

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In this paper, we define a notion of “ π -uniform vector bundle” over a P^1 -bundle $\pi: V \rightarrow W$, where V, W are algebraic varieties. First, generalizing a result of E. Sato ([5], Proposition 3), we give a necessary and sufficient condition in order that a vector bundle over a P^1 -bundle is π -uniform (Lemma). By virtue of the Lemma, we give a cohomological condition in order that a vector bundle over the trivial ruled surface $P^1 \times P^1$ is decomposable (Theorem 1). Also we generalize a result of S. Shatz in [6] (Corollary, p. 106) (Theorem 2).

In [2], Schwarzenberger defined the notion of ‘uniform vector bundle’ on a projective space P^n . Our ‘ π -uniform vector bundle’ is an analogue of his, and is suitable for our situation of P^1 -bundle $\pi: V \rightarrow W$. In his paper on uniform vector bundles [5], E. Sato developed some methods for treating such bundles. This paper is inspired by [5].

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§1. A criterion for π -uniform vector bundles.

Let k be an algebraically closed field of arbitrary characteristic and $\pi: V \rightarrow W$ a P^1 -bundle, where V, W are algebraic varieties over k . By a vector bundle E on V , we mean a locally free \mathcal{O}_V -sheaf module of finite rank, where \mathcal{O}_V is the structure sheaf of V . We use the following notation; $h^i(V, E) := \dim_k H^i(V, E)$.

DEFINITION 1. We say that a vector bundle E on V is π -uniform, if the restriction $E|_{\pi^{-1}(p)}$ of E to $\pi^{-1}(p)$ is mutually isomorphic for any point p of W .

First the following proposition is an immediate consequence of Definition 1.