

# VECTOR BUNDLES AND GRASSMANNIANS

## 1. GRASSMANNIAN

The goal of my research is to give a particular expression of the normal bundle of the grassmannian  $\mathbb{G}(1, n)$ . So, I must start talking about some definitions and properties of grassmannians.

Suppose a vector space  $V$  (over a field that could be  $\mathbb{C}$ ) of dimension  $n + 1$ . We will denote:

- $\mathbb{P}^n = \mathbb{P}(V)$  the projective space of all the hiperplanes of  $V$
- $\mathbb{G}(k, n) = k$ -dimensional linear subspaces of  $\mathbb{P}^n$  or equivalently  $(k + 1)$ -dimensional linear subspaces of  $V^*$ .

$\mathbb{G}(k, n)$  is a variety because is covered by affine charts. To prove this we fix  $\Lambda \in \mathbb{G}(k, n)$  an element, that is represented by a matrix (Plücker matrix)

$$\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} a_{00} & \dots & a_{0n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{k0} & \dots & a_{kn} \end{pmatrix}$$

where the rows are the coordinates of a basis of  $\Lambda$ . Of course this representation is not unique. If we change the basis of  $\Lambda$ , the matrix changes by multiplying on the left by the non-degenerate square matrix of order  $k + 1$  corresponding to the change of basis in  $\Lambda$ . Assume for instance that the minor corresponding to the first  $k + 1$  columns is not zero. This means that after multiplying by a suitable matrix one can represent  $\Lambda$  in a unique way by the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & b_{0k+1} & \dots & b_{0n} \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 & b_{1k+1} & \dots & b_{1n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 & b_{kk+1} & \dots & b_{kn} \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence  $\mathbb{G}(k, n)$  contains an open affine subset of dimension  $(k+1)(n-k)$  (of coordinates  $b_{0k+1}, \dots, b_{kn}$ ). Since at least one of the minors of order  $k + 1$  of the Plücker matrix is not zero,  $\mathbb{G}(k, n)$  can be covered by  $\binom{n+1}{k+1}$  affine pieces. It is very easy (but very tedious to write) to describe the change of coordinates from one piece to another. In conclusion we have that  $\mathbb{G}(k, n)$  can be viewed as an abstract manifolds of dimension  $(k + 1)(n - k)$ .

In order to view  $\mathbb{G}(k, n)$  as a projective variety, one needs to consider the so-called *Plücker embedding*

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_{kn} : \mathbb{G}(k, \mathbb{P}(V)) &\longrightarrow \mathbb{P}(\bigwedge^{k+1} V^*) \\ L[v_0, \dots, v_k] &\longmapsto [v_0 \wedge \dots \wedge v_k] \end{aligned}$$

Here  $L[v_0, \dots, v_k]$  represents the linear span in  $\mathbb{P}(V)$  of the points represented by the independent vectors  $v_0, \dots, v_k \in V^*$  and  $[v_0 \wedge \dots \wedge v_k]$  means the point of  $\mathbb{P}(\bigwedge^{k+1} V)$  represented by  $v_0 \wedge \dots \wedge v_k$ . It is easy to check that  $\varphi_{kn}$  is well defined and it is not very hard to see that  $\varphi_{kn}$  provides an embedding of  $\mathbb{G}(k, n)$  in  $\mathbb{P}(\bigwedge^{k+1} V)$  as an algebraic subvariety.

## 2. UNIVERSAL BUNDLES

Now we will talk about universal bundles. Fix  $\Lambda \in \mathbb{G}(k, n)$  as a subspace of  $V^*$ . We can consider

$$Q^* = \{(\Lambda, v) \in \mathbb{G} \times V^* \mid v \in \Lambda\} \subseteq \mathbb{G} \times V^*$$

$$\downarrow q$$

$$\mathbb{G}$$

Each fiber of  $\mathbb{G}$  has dimension  $k + 1$ , that way  $Q^*$  is a bundle of rank  $k + 1$ .

The map  $q$  provides  $Q^*$  a natural structure of vector bundle over  $\mathbb{G}$ . And more precisely, it is a vector subbundle of the trivial bundle  $\mathbb{G} \times V^*$ . Hence we can also consider the quotient vector bundle, which we will call  $S$ .

$$S := \mathbb{G} \times V^* / Q^*$$

By dualizing we get the so-called *universal exact sequence* on  $\mathbb{G}$ :

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{S}^* \longrightarrow V \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{G}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{Q} \longrightarrow 0$$

**Definition 2.1.** *The sheaves  $\mathcal{S}^*$  and  $\mathcal{Q}$  appearing in the sequence are called respectively the universal subbundle and the universal quotient bundle. Note that they have respective ranks  $n - k$  and  $k + 1$ .*

With all this concepts we can give a kind of motivation for the goal of the research. We want to study  $\mathbb{G}(1, n)$ , by the Plücker embedding we have  $\mathbb{G}(1, n) \subseteq \mathbb{P}(\wedge^2 V) = \mathbb{P}^{\binom{n+1}{2}-1}$ . We also have that the rank of  $N$  must be:

$$\dim(N) = \dim(\mathbb{P}) - \dim(\mathbb{G}) = \frac{n^2 + n - 2}{2} - (2n - 2) = \frac{n^2 - 3n + 2}{2} =$$

$$\frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{2} = \binom{n-1}{2}$$

that is the rank of  $\wedge^2 S$ .

Two properties of universal bundles for  $\mathbb{G}(1, n)$  are:

- locally  $Q^* \otimes S^* \cong \Omega_{\mathbb{G}}$
- $Q \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) \cong Q^*$

## 3. NORMAL BUNDLE

Now we will start talking about the normal bundle. Suppose  $\mathbb{P}^n$ ,  $\Omega_{\mathbb{P}^n}$  and  $\mathbb{G}(1, n) \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n$ . By a proposition we can say that there exist an epimorphism  $\Omega_{\mathbb{P}^n|_{\mathbb{G}}} \xrightarrow{\varphi} \Omega_{\mathbb{G}}$  that consist in the restriction of the differentials.

**Definition 3.1.** *We call conormal bundle ( $N_{\mathbb{G}|\mathbb{P}^n}^*$ ) of  $\mathbb{G}$  in  $\mathbb{P}^n$  to the ker of the previous epimorphism  $\varphi$ . We call normal bundle of  $\mathbb{G}$  in  $\mathbb{P}^n$  to the dual  $N_{\mathbb{G}|\mathbb{P}^n}$  of the conormal bundle.*

Hence, we have the following exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow N_{\mathbb{G}|\mathbb{P}}^* \rightarrow \Omega_{\mathbb{P}|\mathbb{G}} \rightarrow \Omega_{\mathbb{G}} \rightarrow 0$$

This is one of the sequences we have to use to build our diagram.

And now we will enumerate some exact sequences that will be needed for the space  $\mathbb{G}(1, n)$ .

- Universal Exact Sequences:

$$0 \rightarrow S^* \rightarrow H^0(\vartheta_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1)) \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}} \rightarrow Q \rightarrow 0$$

we shall modificate this until we get the sequence we need,

$$0 \rightarrow S^*(-1) \rightarrow H^0(\vartheta_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1)) \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) \rightarrow Q(-1) = Q^* \rightarrow 0$$

$$0 \rightarrow S^* \otimes S^*(-1) \rightarrow S^* \otimes H^0(\vartheta_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1)) \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) \rightarrow S^* \otimes Q^* \rightarrow 0$$

For notation we also know that  $S^* \otimes S^*(-1) = S^* \otimes S^* \otimes \vartheta(-1)$ .

- Eagon-Northcott Complex: suposse we have the following exact sequence of vectorial spaces

$$0 \longrightarrow V'^* \xrightarrow{\varphi^*} V^* \xrightarrow{\beta^*} V''^* \longrightarrow 0$$

and suposse also that  $\dim V'' = 2$  then we have that this sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow S^2 V'^* \longrightarrow V'^* \otimes V^* \longrightarrow \bigwedge^2 V^* \longrightarrow \bigwedge^2 V''^* \longrightarrow 0$$

is exact. I have proved this in the lengauge of homomorphisim instead of in language of tensor product. But the maps that we finally get are: (for example  $V'^* \otimes V^* \rightarrow \bigwedge^2 V^*$ )

$$\alpha' : V' \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$$

$$\lambda : V \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V' \times V &\longrightarrow \mathbb{K} \\ (v', v) &\longmapsto \alpha'(v')\lambda(v) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V \times V &\longrightarrow \mathbb{K} \\ (v_1, v_2) &\longmapsto \alpha' \circ \varphi(v_1)\lambda(v_2) - \alpha' \circ \varphi(v_2)\lambda(v_1) \end{aligned}$$

so finally

$$\begin{aligned} V'^* \otimes V^* &\longrightarrow \bigwedge^2 V^* \\ (\alpha', \lambda) &\longmapsto \varphi^*(\alpha') \wedge \lambda \end{aligned}$$

If we begin from the universal exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow S^* \rightarrow H^0(\vartheta_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1)) \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}} \rightarrow Q \rightarrow 0$$

we have the following Eagon-Northcott complex,

$$0 \rightarrow S^2 S^* \rightarrow S^* \otimes H^0(\vartheta_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1)) \rightarrow \bigwedge^2 H^0(\vartheta_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1)) \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}} \rightarrow \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(1) \rightarrow 0$$

Let changes a little that sequence to have the one we need

$$0 \rightarrow S^2 S^* \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) \rightarrow S^* \otimes H^0(\vartheta_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1)) \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) \rightarrow \bigwedge^2 H^0(\vartheta_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1)) \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) \rightarrow \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}} \rightarrow 0$$

The last thing we have to do with this sequence is to complete it with the Euler exact sequence:

$$0 \rightarrow \Omega_{\mathbb{P}|\mathbb{G}} \rightarrow \vartheta_{\mathbb{P}|\mathbb{G}}(-1)^{\binom{n+1}{2}} = \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) \otimes \bigwedge^2 H^0(\vartheta_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1)) \rightarrow \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}} \rightarrow 0$$

so we have

$$0 \rightarrow S^2 S^* \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) \rightarrow S^* \otimes H^0(\vartheta_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1)) \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) \dots$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \dots & S^* \otimes H^0(\vartheta_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1)) \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) & \longrightarrow & \bigwedge^2 H^0(\vartheta_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1)) \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) & \longrightarrow & \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}} & \longrightarrow & 0 \\
 & \searrow & & \nearrow & & & & \\
 & & & \Omega_{\mathbb{P}|\mathbb{G}} & & & & \\
 & \nearrow & & \searrow & & & & \\
 & 0 & & & & & 0 & 
 \end{array}$$

Hence we have the following sequence

$$0 \rightarrow S^2 S^* \rightarrow S^* \otimes H^0(\vartheta_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1)) \rightarrow \Omega_{\mathbb{P}|\mathbb{G}} \rightarrow 0$$

and so

$$0 \rightarrow S^2 S^* \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) \rightarrow S^* \otimes H^0(\vartheta_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1)) \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) \rightarrow \Omega_{\mathbb{P}|\mathbb{G}} \rightarrow 0$$

We are going to use these sequences to build the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & 0 & & 0 & & \\
 & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & N_{G|P}^* & \longrightarrow & \Omega_{\mathbb{P}|\mathbb{G}} & \longrightarrow & \Omega_{\mathbb{G}} \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & S^* \otimes S^* \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) & \longrightarrow & S^* \otimes H^0(\vartheta_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1)) \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) & \longrightarrow & S^* \otimes Q^* \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & & & \uparrow & & \\
 & & & & (S^2 S^*) \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) & & \\
 & & & & \uparrow & & \\
 & & & & 0 & & 
 \end{array}$$

If we prove that

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \Omega_{\mathbb{P}|\mathbb{G}} & \xrightarrow{\varphi_1} & \Omega_{\mathbb{G}} \\
 \varphi_4 \uparrow & & \uparrow \varphi_2 \\
 S^* \otimes H^0(\vartheta_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1)) \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) & \xrightarrow{\varphi_3} & S^* \otimes Q^*
 \end{array}$$

is commutative, then we can affirm that the following diagram commute and all the sequences are exact

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & 0 & & 0 & & \\
 & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & N_{\mathbb{G}|\mathbb{P}}^* & \longrightarrow & \Omega_{\mathbb{P}|\mathbb{G}} & \longrightarrow & \Omega_{\mathbb{G}} \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & S^* \otimes S^* \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) & \longrightarrow & S^* \otimes H^0(\vartheta_{P^n}(1)) \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) & \longrightarrow & S^* \otimes Q^* \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \uparrow \gamma & & \uparrow & & \\
 & & (S^2 S^*) \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) & \xleftarrow{=} & (S^2 S^*) \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) & & \\
 & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \\
 & & 0 & & 0 & & 
 \end{array}$$

by the Snake Lemma.

Moreover, we easily see that  $\gamma$  is natural that map  $(S^2 S^*) \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1)$  in itself, that way we obtained the wedge  $(\bigwedge^2 S^*) \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1)$ . So finally we get an expression for the normal and conormal bundle:

**Teorema 3.2.** *Let  $\mathbb{G}(1, n)$  the grassmannian space of lines and let  $N_{\mathbb{G}|\mathbb{P}}$  the normal bundle of  $\mathbb{G}$  on  $\mathbb{P}$ . We have that:*

$$\begin{aligned}
 N_{\mathbb{G}|\mathbb{P}}^* &= \left( \bigwedge^2 S^* \right) \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(-1) \\
 N_{\mathbb{G}|\mathbb{P}} &= \left( \bigwedge^2 S^* \right) \otimes \vartheta_{\mathbb{G}}(1)
 \end{aligned}$$