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ON PRIMITIVE ULRICH BUNDLES OVER A FEW PROJECTIVE VARIETIES WITH PICARD NUMBER TWO

Dedicated to the memory of Gianfranco Casnati

Abstract. We introduce the notion of primitive Ulrich bundle in a smooth projective variety. We motivate this notion and give a cohomological characterization in the case of the degree 6 flag threefold and rational normal scrolls. Finally we propose a few open problems.

1. Introduction

A locally free sheaf (or “bundle”) \mathcal{E} on a projective variety X is ACM if it has no intermediate cohomology or if the module E of global sections of \mathcal{E} is a maximal Cohen-Macaulay module. There has been increasing interest on the classification of ACM bundles on various projective varieties, which is important in a sense that the ACM bundles are considered to give a measurement of complexity of the underlying space. A special type of ACM sheaves, called the Ulrich sheaves, are the ones achieving the maximum possible minimal number of generators. These bundles are characterized by the linearity of the minimal graded free resolution over the polynomial ring of their module of global section. Ulrich bundles, originally studied for computing Chow forms, conjecturally exist over any variety (see [12]).

In this article we introduce the notion of primitive Ulrich bundle as an Ulrich bundle which is extension of direct sums of Ulrich line bundles. If we consider the varieties with a finite number of ACM bundles (see [11]) the projective spaces \mathbb{P}^n , the hyperquadrics \mathcal{Q}_n , the Veronese surface V_2 and the cubic scroll $S(1,2)$ we notice that, except for the cases of \mathcal{Q}_n with $n > 2$, most of the Ulrich bundles (actually also of the ACM bundles) are primitive.

In [13] it has been showed that the quartic scroll surfaces $S(1,3)$ and $S(2,2)$ support at most one dimensional families of Ulrich bundles. An explicit classification it is given and we can notice that all the one dimensional families are made by primitive Ulrich bundles. Also on elliptic curves there are at most one dimensional families of (primitive) Ulrich bundles (see [4]). On Segre varieties $\mathbb{P}^{n_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{P}^{n_s}$, with $n_1 \leq \cdots \leq n_s$, it is possible to find arbitrary large dimensional families of Ulrich bundles; when $n_1 = 1$, arbitrary large families of primitive Ulrich bundles has been constructed in [10]. See [18] for Segre-Veronese varieties, [1] for ruled sur-

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faces and [3] for Hirzebruch surfaces. Also on different type of threefold scrolls arbitrary large families of primitive Ulrich bundles has been constructed (see [16] and [15]). We may conclude that primitive bundles play an important role within Ulrich bundles and that they are worth investigating. Here we give cohomological characterizations of primitive Ulrich bundles on the degree 6 flag threefold and rational normal scrolls and we propose a few open problems

Here we summarize the structure of this article. In section 2 we introduce the definition of primitive Ulrich bundles and several notions in derived category of coherent sheaves to understand the Beilinson spectral sequence. In section 3 we deal with the case of the degree 6 flag threefold. In section 4 we study the cases of rational normal scrolls of arbitrary dimension. In section 5 we discuss a few open problems.

2. Preliminaries

Throughout the article our base field is the field of complex numbers \mathcal{C} . We denote by X a smooth projective variety over \mathcal{C} with a fixed ample line bundle $\mathcal{O}_X(1)$.

DEFINITION 1. *A coherent sheaf \mathcal{E} on a projective variety X is called arithmetically Cohen-Macaulay (for short, ACM) if it is locally Cohen-Macaulay and $H^i(\mathcal{E}(t)) = 0$ for all $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $i = 1, \dots, \dim(X) - 1$.*

DEFINITION 2. *For an initialized coherent sheaf \mathcal{E} on X , i.e. $h^0(\mathcal{E}(-1)) = 0$ but $h^0(\mathcal{E}) \neq 0$, we say that \mathcal{E} is an Ulrich sheaf if it is ACM and $h^0(\mathcal{E}) = \deg(X)\text{rank}(\mathcal{E})$.*

REMARK 1. The following conditions are equivalent (see [12]):

- (i) E is Ulrich.
- (ii) E admits a linear $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^N}$ -resolution of the form:

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^N}(-N+n)^{a_{N-n}} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^N}(-1)^{a_1} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^N}^{a_0} \rightarrow E \rightarrow 0.$$

where $a_0 = \text{rank}(E)\deg(X)$ and

$$a_i = \binom{N-n}{i} a_0$$

for all i .

- (iii) $H^i(E(-i)) = 0$ for $i > 0$ and $H^i(E(-i-1)) = 0$ for $i < n$.

Moreover, since X smooth, an Ulrich sheaf is always locally free.

DEFINITION 3. *A vector bundle E over X is said primitive Ulrich bundle if it is an Ulrich bundle which is extension of direct sums of Ulrich line bundles. So E is a*

primitive Ulrich bundles if there exist $A = \oplus_{i=1}^s L_i$ and $B = \oplus_{j=1}^z L'_j$, with L_i, L'_j Ulrich line bundles, such that E arises from the following exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow E \rightarrow B \rightarrow 0.$$

In particular s or z can be 0 so also Ulrich line bundles can be considered as primitive Ulrich bundles.

Let $\dim(X) \geq 2$. Eisenbud and Herzog (see [11]) classified the varieties with a finite number of ACM bundles: the projective spaces \mathbb{P}^n , the hyperquadrics \mathcal{Q}_n , the Veronese surface V_2 i.e. $(\mathbb{P}^2, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(2))$ and the cubic scroll $S = S(1,2)$ i.e. the hyperplane section of $X = \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^2$. In the following table in the second column we list the ACM bundles up to twists, no twists of which are not Ulrich and in the third column the Ulrich bundles:

	ACM	ULRICH
\mathbb{P}^n		\mathcal{O}
\mathcal{Q}_n	\mathcal{O}	Σ_i
V_2	$\mathcal{O}, \mathcal{O}(1)$	$\Omega_{\mathbb{P}^2}(3)$
$S(1,2)$	$\mathcal{O}, \mathcal{O}(1,0)$	$\mathcal{O}(2,0), \mathcal{O}(0,1), E$

where Σ_* are the spinor bundles (we use an unified notation for spinor bundles on \mathcal{Q}_n , where for even n , i can take on the values 1,2, while if n is odd, i can be only 1) and E arises from the unique $(h^1(\mathcal{O}_S(-2,1)) = 1)$ extension

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_S(0,1) \rightarrow E \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_S(2,0) \rightarrow 0.$$

We notice that, except for the cases of \mathcal{Q}_n with $n > 2$, most of the Ulrich bundles (actually also of the ACM bundles) are primitive. Even in the other varieties with "few" ACM bundles, as was observed in the introduction, the larger families are made up of primitive Ulrich bundles.

In the next section we will give some cohomological characterization of primitive Ulrich bundles. An useful tool will be Beilinson spectral sequences:

Given a smooth projective variety X , let $D^b(X)$ be the the bounded derived category of coherent sheaves on X . An object $E \in D^b(X)$ is called *exceptional* if $Ext^*(E, E) = \mathbb{C}$. A set of exceptional objects $\langle E_0, \dots, E_n \rangle$ is called an *exceptional collection* if $Ext^*(E_i, E_j) = 0$ for $i > j$. An exceptional collection is said to be *full* when $Ext^*(E_i, A) = 0$ for all i implies $A = 0$, or equivalently when $Ext^*(A, E_i) = 0$ does the same.

DEFINITION 4. Let E be an exceptional object in $D^b(X)$. Then there are functors \mathbb{L}_E and \mathbb{R}_E fitting in distinguished triangles

$$\mathbb{L}_E(T) \rightarrow Ext^*(E, T) \otimes E \rightarrow T \rightarrow \mathbb{L}_E(T)[1]$$

$$\mathbb{R}_E(T)[-1] \rightarrow T \rightarrow \text{Ext}^\bullet(T, E)^* \otimes E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_E(T)$$

The functors \mathbb{L}_E and \mathbb{R}_E are called respectively the left and right mutation functor.

The collections given by

$$\begin{aligned} E_i^\vee &= \mathbb{L}_{E_0} \mathbb{L}_{E_1} \dots \mathbb{L}_{E_{n-i-1}} E_{n-i}; \\ {}^\vee E_i &= \mathbb{R}_{E_n} \mathbb{R}_{E_{n-1}} \dots \mathbb{R}_{E_{n-i+1}} E_{n-i}, \end{aligned}$$

are again full and exceptional and are called the *right* and *left dual* collections. The dual collections are characterized by the following property; see [17, Section 2.6].

$$(1) \quad \text{Ext}^k({}^\vee E_i, E_j) = \text{Ext}^k(E_i, E_j^\vee) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{C} & \text{if } i + j = n \text{ and } i = k \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

THEOREM 1 (Beilinson spectral sequence). *Let X be a smooth projective variety and with a full exceptional collection $\langle E_0, \dots, E_n \rangle$ of objects for $D^b(X)$. Then for any A in $D^b(X)$ there is a spectral sequence with the E_1 -term*

$$E_1^{p,q} = \bigoplus_{r+s=q} \text{Ext}^{n+r}(E_{n-p}, A) \otimes \mathcal{H}^s(E_p^\vee)$$

which is functorial in A and converges to $\mathcal{H}^{p+q}(A)$.

The statement and proof of Theorem 1 can be found both in [20, Corollary 3.3.2], in [17, Section 2.7.3] and in [5, Theorem 2.1.14].

Let us assume next that the full exceptional collection $\langle E_0, \dots, E_n \rangle$ contains only pure objects of type $E_i = \mathcal{E}_i^*[-k_i]$ with \mathcal{E}_i a vector bundle for each i , and moreover the right dual collection $\langle E_0^\vee, \dots, E_n^\vee \rangle$ consists of coherent sheaves. Then the Beilinson spectral sequence is much simpler since

$$E_1^{p,q} = \text{Ext}^{n+q}(E_{n-p}, A) \otimes E_p^\vee = H^{n+q+k_{n-p}}(\mathcal{E}_{n-p} \otimes A) \otimes E_p^\vee.$$

Note however that the grading in this spectral sequence applied for the projective space is slightly different from the grading of the usual Beilinson spectral sequence, due to the existence of shifts by n in the index p, q . Indeed, the E_1 -terms of the usual spectral sequence are $H^q(A(p)) \otimes \Omega^{-p}(-p)$ which are zero for positive p . To restore the order, one needs to change slightly the gradings of the spectral sequence from Theorem 1. If we replace, in the expression

$$E_1^{u,v} = \text{Ext}^v(E_{-u}, A) \otimes E_{n+u}^\vee = H^{v+k_{-u}}(\mathcal{E}_{-u} \otimes A) \otimes \mathcal{F}_{-u}$$

$u = -n + p$ and $v = n + q$ so that the fourth quadrant is mapped to the second quadrant, we obtain the following version (see [2]) of the Beilinson spectral sequence:

THEOREM 2. *Let X be a smooth projective variety with a full exceptional collection $\langle E_0, \dots, E_n \rangle$ where $E_i = \mathcal{E}_i^*[-k_i]$ with each \mathcal{E}_i a vector bundle and $(k_0, \dots, k_n) \in$*

$\mathbb{Z}^{\oplus n+1}$ such that there exists a sequence $\langle F_n = \mathcal{F}_n, \dots, F_0 = \mathcal{F}_0 \rangle$ of vector bundles satisfying

$$(2) \quad \text{Ext}^k(E_i, F_j) = H^{k+k_i}(\mathcal{E}_i \otimes \mathcal{F}_j) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{C} & \text{if } i = j = k \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

i.e. the collection $\langle F_n, \dots, F_0 \rangle$ labelled in the reverse order is the right dual collection of $\langle E_0, \dots, E_n \rangle$. Then for any coherent sheaf A on X there is a spectral sequence in the square $-n \leq p \leq 0, 0 \leq q \leq n$ with the E_1 -term

$$E_1^{p,q} = \text{Ext}^q(E_{-p}, A) \otimes F_{-p} = H^{q+k-p}(\mathcal{E}_{-p} \otimes A) \otimes \mathcal{F}_{-p}$$

which is functorial in A and converges to

$$(3) \quad E_\infty^{p,q} = \begin{cases} A & \text{if } p + q = 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

3. The flag variety $F(0, 1, 2)$

In this section we give a cohomological characterization of primitive Ulrich bundles over the flag variety $F(0, 1, 2)$. Let $F \subseteq \mathbb{P}^7$ be the del Pezzo threefold of degree 6 and Picard number two. Let us call h_1, h_2 the generators of the Picard group. Let us consider F as an hyperplane section of $\mathbb{P}^2 \times \mathbb{P}^2$ with the two natural projections $p_i : F \subset \mathbb{P}^2 \times \mathbb{P}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$ and the following rank two vector bundles:

$$\mathcal{G}_1 = p_1^* \Omega_{\mathbb{P}^2}^1(h_1) = p_1^* [\Omega_{\mathbb{P}^2}^1(1)] \quad \mathcal{G}_2 = p_2^* \Omega_{\mathbb{P}^2}^1(h_2) = p_2^* [\Omega_{\mathbb{P}^2}^1(1)],$$

We write $\mathcal{O}_F(a, b)$ instead of $\mathcal{O}_F(ah_1 + bh_2)$. We have the exact sequences

$$(1) \quad 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_F(-2, 0) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_F^3(-1, 0) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_1 \rightarrow 0$$

$$(2) \quad 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_F(0, -2) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_F^3(0, -1) \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_2 \rightarrow 0$$

$$(3) \quad 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_F^3 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_F(1, 0) \rightarrow 0$$

$$(4) \quad 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{G}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_F^3 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_F(0, 1) \rightarrow 0$$

All the rank two ACM bundles has been classified in [7].

We may consider the full exceptional collection

$$(5) \quad \{E_5 = \mathcal{O}_F(-1, -1)[-2], E_4 = \mathcal{O}_F(-1, 0)[-2], E_3 = \mathcal{O}_F(0, -1)[-1],$$

$$E_2 = \mathcal{G}_2[-1], E_1 = \mathcal{G}_1, E_0 = \mathcal{O}_F\}$$

and

$$(6) \quad \{F_0 = \mathcal{O}_F, F_1 = \mathcal{O}_F(-1, 0), F_2 = \mathcal{O}_F(0, -1), F_3 = \mathcal{O}_F(0, -2), F_4 = \mathcal{O}_F(-2, 0), F_5 = \mathcal{O}_F(-1, -1)\}$$

THEOREM 3. *Let \mathcal{V} be an Ulrich bundle on F such that $h^2(\mathcal{V}(-2, -2) \otimes \mathcal{G}_1 \otimes \mathcal{G}_2) = 0$. Then \mathcal{V} is primitive and arises from an exact sequence of the form:*

$$(7) \quad 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_F(0, 2)^{\oplus a} \rightarrow \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_F(2, 0)^{\oplus b} \rightarrow 0.$$

Proof: We consider the Beilinson type spectral sequence associated to $\mathcal{A} := \mathcal{V}(-2, -2)$ and identify the members of the graded sheaf associated to the induced filtration as the sheaves mentioned in the statement. We consider the full exceptional collection \mathcal{E}_* and right dual collection \mathcal{F}_* in (5) and (6).

We construct a Beilinson complex, quasi-isomorphic to \mathcal{A} , by calculating $H^{i+k_j}(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{E}_j) \otimes \mathcal{F}_j$ with $i, j \in \{0, \dots, 6\}$ to get the following table:

$\mathcal{O}_F(-1, -1)$	$\mathcal{O}_F(-2, 0)$	$\mathcal{O}_F(0, -2)$	$\mathcal{O}_F(0, -1)$	$\mathcal{O}_F(-1, 0)$	\mathcal{O}_F
H^3	H^3	*	*	*	*
H^2	H^2	H^3	H^3	*	*
H^1	H^1	H^2	H^2	H^3	H^3
H^0	H^0	H^1	H^1	H^2	H^2
*	*	H^0	H^0	H^1	H^1
*	*	*	*	H^0	H^0
$\mathcal{O}_F(-1, -1)$	$\mathcal{O}_F(-1, 0)$	$\mathcal{O}_F(0, -1)$	\mathcal{G}_2	\mathcal{G}_1	\mathcal{O}_F

We assume due to [12, Proposition 2.1] that

$$H^i(\mathcal{A}(-j, -j)) = 0 \text{ for all } i \text{ and } -1 \leq j \leq 1.$$

From the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{G}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{A}^{\oplus 3} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}(1, 0) \rightarrow 0,$$

since, by (1), $H^3(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{G}_1) = 0$ we get $H^2(\mathcal{A}(1, 0)) = 0$ and since $H^0(\mathcal{A}(1, 0)) = 0$ we get $H^1(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{G}_1) = 0$. In a similar way we get $H^2(\mathcal{A}(0, 1)) = H^1(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{G}_2) = 0$. If we twist the above sequence by $\mathcal{O}_F(0, 1)$ we get also $H^2(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{G}_1(0, 1)) = 0$ and an analog way $H^2(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{G}_2(1, 0)) = 0$.

From the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{A}(-1, 0) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}^{\oplus 3} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{G}_1(1, 0) \rightarrow 0,$$

since, by (3), $H^0(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{G}_1(1, 0)) = 0$ we get $H^1(\mathcal{A}(-1, 0)) = 0$ and since $H^3(\mathcal{A}(-1, 0)) = 0$ we get $H^2(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{G}_1(1, 0)) = 0$. In a similar way we get $H^1(\mathcal{A}(0, -1)) = H^2(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{G}_2(0, 1)) = 0$.

So the table become

$\mathcal{O}_F(-1, -1)$	$\mathcal{O}_F(-2, 0)$	$\mathcal{O}_F(0, -2)$	$\mathcal{O}_F(0, -1)$	$\mathcal{O}_F(-1, 0)$	\mathcal{O}_F
0	0	*	*	*	*
0	H^2	0	0	*	*
0	0	H^2	H^2	0	0
0	0	0	0	H^2	0
*	*	0	0	0	0
*	*	*	*	0	0
$\mathcal{O}_F(-1, -1)$	$\mathcal{O}_F(-1, 0)$	$\mathcal{O}_F(0, -1)$	\mathcal{G}_2	\mathcal{G}_1	\mathcal{O}_F

From the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{G}_1 \otimes \mathcal{G}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{A}^{\oplus 3} \otimes \mathcal{G}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{A}(1, 0) \otimes \mathcal{G}_2 \rightarrow 0,$$

since $H^2(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{G}_1 \otimes \mathcal{G}_2) = 0$ and $H^2(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{G}_2(1, 0)) = 0$ we get $H^2(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{G}_2) = 0$. In a similar way we get $H^2(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{G}_1) = 0$.

So the table become

$\mathcal{O}_F(-1, -1)$	$\mathcal{O}_F(-2, 0)$	$\mathcal{O}_F(0, -2)$	$\mathcal{O}_F(0, -1)$	$\mathcal{O}_F(-1, 0)$	\mathcal{O}_F
0	0	*	*	*	*
0	a	0	0	*	*
0	0	b	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
*	*	0	0	0	0
*	*	*	*	0	0
$\mathcal{O}_F(-1, -1)$	$\mathcal{O}_F(-1, 0)$	$\mathcal{O}_F(0, -1)$	\mathcal{G}_2	\mathcal{G}_1	\mathcal{O}_F

where $a = h^2(\mathcal{A}(-1, 0))$ and $b = h^2(\mathcal{A}(0, -1))$. Hence we obtain

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_F(-2, 0)^{\oplus a} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_F(0, -2)^{\oplus b} \rightarrow 0.$$

So, twisting by $\mathcal{O}_F(2, 2)$ we get the claimed extension.

4. Rational normal scrolls

Let $S = S(a_0, \dots, a_n)$ be a smooth rational normal scroll, the image of $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E})$ via the morphism defined by $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E})}(1)$, where $\mathcal{E} \cong \oplus_{i=0}^n \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(a_i)$ is a vector bundle of rank $n + 1$ on \mathbb{P}^1 with $0 < a_0 \leq \dots \leq a_n$. Letting $\pi : \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E}) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$ be the projection, we may denote by H and F , the hyperplane section corresponding to $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{E})}(1)$ and the fibre corresponding to $\pi^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(1)$, respectively. Then we have $Pic(S) \cong \mathbb{Z}\langle H, F \rangle$ and $\omega_S \cong \mathcal{O}_S(-(n + 1)H + (c - 2)F)$, where $c := \sum_{i=0}^n a_i$ is the degree of S . We will simply denote $\mathcal{O}_S(aH + bF)$ by $\mathcal{O}_S(a + b, a)$, in particular, $\mathcal{O}_S(F) = \mathcal{O}_S(1, 0)$. From now on we fix an ample line bundle on S to be $\mathcal{O}_S(H) = \mathcal{O}_S(1, 1)$.

Recall the dual of the relative Euler exact sequence of S :

$$(1) \quad 0 \rightarrow \Omega_{S|\mathbb{P}^1}^1(1, 1) \rightarrow \mathcal{B} := \oplus_{i=0}^n \mathcal{O}_S(a_i, 0) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_S(1, 1) \rightarrow 0,$$

and so we have $\omega_{\mathbb{S}^1} \cong \mathcal{O}_S(-(n+1)H + cF) \cong \mathcal{O}_S(c-n-1, -n-1)$. The long exact sequence of exterior powers associated to (1) is

$$(2) \quad \begin{aligned} 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_S(c-n, -n) \rightarrow \wedge^n \mathcal{B}(-n+1, -n+1) \xrightarrow{d_{n-1}} \\ \wedge^{n-1} \mathcal{B}(-n+2, -n+2) \xrightarrow{d_{n-2}} \cdots \xrightarrow{d_1} \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_S(1, 1) \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

Now (2) splits into

$$(3) \quad 0 \rightarrow \Omega_{\mathbb{S}^1}^i(i, i) \rightarrow \wedge^i \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \Omega_{\mathbb{S}^1}^{i-1}(i, i) \rightarrow 0$$

for each $i = 1, \dots, n$, and we have $\text{Im}(d_i \otimes \mathcal{O}_S(i-1, i-1)) \cong \Omega_{\mathbb{S}^1}^i(i, i) \subset \wedge^i \mathcal{B}$.

Now, thanks the above sequences, we introduce suitable full exceptional collections that we will use in the next Theorem (see [2, Example 4.6]):

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}_{2n+1} = \mathcal{O}_S(-n, -n)[-n], \quad \mathcal{E}_{2n} = \mathcal{O}_S(-n+1, -n)[-n], \\ \mathcal{E}_{2n-1} = \mathcal{O}_S(-n+1, -n+1)[-n+1], \quad \mathcal{E}_{2n-2} = \mathcal{O}_S(-n+2, -n+1)[-n+1], \dots, \\ \mathcal{E}_3 = \mathcal{O}_S(-1, -1)[-1], \quad \mathcal{E}_2 = \mathcal{O}_S(0, -1)[-1], \quad \mathcal{E}_1 = \mathcal{O}_S(-1, 0), \quad \mathcal{E}_0 = \mathcal{O}_S. \end{aligned}$$

and the right dual collection

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_{2n+1} = \mathcal{O}_S(c-3, -1), \quad \mathcal{F}_{2n} = \mathcal{O}_S(c-2, -1), \\ \mathcal{F}_{2n-1} = \Omega_{\mathbb{S}^1}^{n-1}(n-3, n-1), \quad \mathcal{F}_{2n-2} = \Omega_{\mathbb{S}^1}^{n-1}(n-2, n-1), \dots, \\ \mathcal{F}_3 = \Omega_{\mathbb{S}^1}^1(-1, 1), \quad \mathcal{F}_2 = \Omega_{\mathbb{S}^1}^1(0, 1), \quad \mathcal{F}_1 = \mathcal{O}_S(-1, 0), \quad \mathcal{F}_0 = \mathcal{O}_S. \end{aligned}$$

THEOREM 4. *Let \mathcal{V} be an Ulrich vector bundle on S such that $h^i(\mathcal{V}(-i, -i-1)) = 0$ for any $i = 1, \dots, n-1$. Then \mathcal{V} is primitive and arises from an exact sequence of the form:*

$$(4) \quad 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_S(0, 1)^{\oplus a} \rightarrow \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_S(c-1, 0)^{\oplus b} \rightarrow 0.$$

Proof: We consider the Beilinson type spectral sequence associated to $\mathcal{A} := \mathcal{V}(-1, -1)$ and consider the full exceptional collection \mathcal{E}_\bullet and right dual collection \mathcal{F}_\bullet above. We construct a Beilinson complex, quasi-isomorphic to \mathcal{A} , by calculating $H^{i+k_j}(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{E}_j) \otimes \mathcal{F}_j$ with $i, j \in \{1, \dots, 2n+2\}$ to get the following table. Here we use several vanishing in the intermediate cohomology of $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}(-1, -1), \dots, \mathcal{A}(-n, -n)$ together with vanishing of cohomology H^0 and H^{n+1} :

\mathcal{F}_{2n+1}	\mathcal{F}_{2n}	\mathcal{F}_{2n-1}	\mathcal{F}_{2n-2}	...	\mathcal{F}_2	\mathcal{F}_1	\mathcal{F}_0
0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0
0	H^n	0	0	...	0	0	0
0	H^{n-1}	0	H^n	...	0	0	0
0	H^{n-2}	0	H^{n-1}	...	0	0	0
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots
0	0	0	H^1	...	H^n	0	0
0	0	0	0	...	H^{n-1}	H^n	0
0	0	0	0	...	H^{n-2}	H^{n-1}	0
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots
0	0	0	0	...	H^1	H^2	0
0	0	0	0	...	0	H^1	0
0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0
\mathcal{E}_{2n+1}	\mathcal{E}_{2n}	\mathcal{E}_{2n-1}	\mathcal{E}_{2n-2}	...	\mathcal{E}_2	\mathcal{E}_1	\mathcal{E}_0

By [2, Example 4.6], we may conclude that all the entries off the diagonal must be zero and thus we get

\mathcal{F}_{2n+1}	\mathcal{F}_{2n}	\mathcal{F}_{2n-1}	\mathcal{F}_{2n-2}	...	\mathcal{F}_2	\mathcal{F}_1	\mathcal{F}_0
0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0
0	H^n	0	0	...	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0
0	0	0	H^{n-1}	...	0	0	0
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots
0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots
0	0	0	0	...	H^1	0	0
0	0	0	0	...	0	H^1	0
0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0
\mathcal{E}_{2n+1}	\mathcal{E}_{2n}	\mathcal{E}_{2n-1}	\mathcal{E}_{2n-2}	...	\mathcal{E}_2	\mathcal{E}_1	\mathcal{E}_0

Notice that the vanishing hypothesis are:

$$\begin{aligned}
 h^1(\mathcal{V}(-1, -2)) &= h^i(\mathcal{A}(0, -1)) = h^i(\mathcal{V} \otimes \mathcal{E}_2) = 0, \\
 h^2(\mathcal{V}(-2, -3)) &= h^i(\mathcal{A}(-1, -2)) = h^i(\mathcal{V} \otimes \mathcal{E}_4) = 0, \\
 &\vdots
 \end{aligned}$$

$$h^{n-1}(\mathcal{V}(-n+1, -n)) = h^i(\mathcal{A}(-n+2, -n+1)) = h^i(\mathcal{V} \otimes \mathcal{E}_{2n-2}) = 0.$$

So we get the following table:

\mathcal{F}_{2n+1}	\mathcal{F}_{2n}	\mathcal{F}_{2n-1}	\mathcal{F}_{2n-2}	\dots	\mathcal{F}_2	\mathcal{F}_1	\mathcal{F}_0
0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0
0	b	0	0	...	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots
0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots
0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	...	0	a	0
0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0
\mathcal{E}_{2n+1}	\mathcal{E}_{2n}	\mathcal{E}_{2n-1}	\mathcal{E}_{2n-2}	\dots	\mathcal{E}_2	\mathcal{E}_1	\mathcal{E}_0

where $a := h^1(\mathcal{A}(-1, 0)) = h^1(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{E}_1)$ and $b := h^n(\mathcal{A}(-n+1, -n)) = h^n(\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{E}_{2n})$.

This yields to the desired extension.

REMARK 2. For a rational normal scroll of dimension $n + 1$ we need $n - 1$ cohomological vanishing conditions in order to characterize primitive Ulrich bundles. In particular for $n = 1$ we get that any Ulrich bundle is primitive (see [13]). For $n = 2$ the primitive Ulrich bundles are characterized by just one cohomological condition. In particular if $c = 3$, $S = \mathbb{P}^2 \times \mathbb{P}^1$ there are arbitrary large families of ACM but only a finite number of ACM bundles which are not primitive Ulrich (see [14]).

5. Open problems

So far we have considered projective varieties with Picard number two. Let us consider now the case $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$. Let V_1, V_2, V_3 be three 2-dimensional vector spas with the coordinates $[x_{1i}], [x_{2j}], [x_{3k}]$ respectively with $i, j, k \in \{1, 2\}$. Let $X \cong \mathbb{P}(V_1) \times \mathbb{P}(V_2) \times \mathbb{P}(V_3)$ and then it is embedded into $\mathbb{P}^7 \cong \mathbb{P}(V)$ by the Segre map where $V = V_1 \otimes V_2 \otimes V_3$.

The intersection ring $A(X)$ is isomorphic to $A(\mathbb{P}^1) \otimes A(\mathbb{P}^1) \otimes A(\mathbb{P}^1)$ and so we have

$$A(X) \cong \mathbb{Z}[h_1, h_2, h_3]/(h_1^2, h_2^2, h_3^2).$$

We may identify $A^1(X) \cong \mathbb{Z}^{\oplus 3}$ by $a_1 h_1 + a_2 h_2 + a_3 h_3 \mapsto (a_1, a_2, a_3)$. Similarly we have $A^2(X) \cong \mathbb{Z}^{\oplus 3}$ by $k_1 e_1 + k_2 e_2 + k_3 e_3 \mapsto (k_1, k_2, k_3)$ where $e_1 = h_2 h_3, e_2 = h_1 h_3, e_3 = h_1 h_2$

and $A^3(X) \cong \mathbb{Z}$ by $ch_1h_2h_3 \mapsto c$. Then X is embedded into \mathbb{P}^7 by the complete linear system $h = h_1 + h_2 + h_3$ as a subvariety of degree 6 sin $h^3 = 6$.

We have six Ulrich line bundles namely $\mathcal{O}_X(2, 1, 0)$ up to permutations. Notice that

$$Ext^1(\mathcal{O}_X(0, 1, 2), \mathcal{O}_X(2, 1, 0)) \cong H^1(\mathcal{O}_X(2, 0, -2)) \cong \mathcal{C}^3$$

and

$$Ext^1(\mathcal{O}_X(1, 0, 2), \mathcal{O}_X(2, 1, 0)) = H^1(\mathcal{O}_X(1, 1, -2)) = \mathcal{C}^4$$

so we have two (up to permutations) families of rank two primitive Ulrich bundles arising from the extensions

$$(1) \quad 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(2, 1, 0) \rightarrow \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(0, 1, 2) \rightarrow 0.$$

and

$$(2) \quad 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(2, 1, 0) \rightarrow \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(1, 0, 2) \rightarrow 0.$$

Question 1: How many and what cohomological conditions are necessary to characterize primitive Ulrich bundles on X or other varieties?

Question 2: The number of cohomological conditions is always the same for each family of primitive Ulrich bundles on X or other varieties?

In [8] it has been proved that the moduli space of rank two Ulrich bundles $\mathcal{M}(h_1 + 2h_2 + 3h_3, 4h_2h_3 + h_1h_3 + 2h_1h_2)$ is a single point, representing the equivalence class of all the strictly semistable bundles with such a c_1 from (1) and the moduli space $\mathcal{M}(h_1 + 2h_2 + 3h_3, 2h_2h_3 + 2h_1h_3 + 4h_1h_2)$ is generically smooth and rational of dimension 5: its general point corresponds to a stable bundle and it also contains exactly one point representing the equivalence class of all the strictly semistable bundles with such a c_1 from (2).

Question 3: Which moduli spaces of Ulrich bundles are made up completely of primitive Ulrich bundles and which only partially on X or other varieties?

So far we have considered the two Del Pezzo threefold of degree 6, the remaining case is the del Pezzo threefold Y of degree $d = 7$. Rank two ACM bundles on Y are classified in [9] and it is showed that there are not Ulrich line bundles. So on Y no primitive Ulrich bundle can exist. An interesting well known open problem is the following: which is the lowest rank δ of an indecomposable Ulrich sheaf on a given projective variety? In the case of smooth hypersurfaces $X \subset \mathbb{P}^N$ Buchweitz, Greuel and Schreyer conjectured (see [6]) that the minimal rank δ of an indecomposable Ulrich bundle should be at least $2^{\lfloor \frac{n-2}{2} \rfloor}$. True for \mathcal{Q}_n . So for the cases where such a δ is known we give the following definition:

DEFINITION 5. A vector bundle E over a smooth projective variety X is said δ -primitive Ulrich bundle if it is an Ulrich bundle which is extension of direct sums of Ulrich rank δ bundles. So E is a δ -primitive Ulrich bundles if there exist $A = \oplus_{i=1}^s U_i$ and $B = \oplus_{j=1}^z U'_j$, with U_i, U'_j Ulrich rank δ bundles, such that E arises from the following exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow E \rightarrow B \rightarrow 0.$$

REMARK 3. On \mathcal{Q}_n all the Ulrich bundles are δ -primitive.

Question 4: How many and what cohomological conditions are necessary to characterize δ -primitive Ulrich bundles on a smooth projective variety?

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