

Universal Bundles.

Let $\mathbb{C}^n \times G(k, n)$ denote the trivial vector bundle of rank n over $G(k, n)$. We define the universal subbundle $S \rightarrow G(k, n)$ to be the subbundle of $\mathbb{C}^n \times G(k, n)$ whose fiber at each point $\Lambda \in G(k, n)$ is just the subspace $\Lambda \subset \mathbb{C}^n$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma & S & \subset \mathbb{C}^n \times G(k, n) \\ & \downarrow & \\ & G(k, n) & \end{array}$$

$$S = \{ (v, \Lambda) \in \mathbb{C}^n \times G(k, n) \mid v \in \Lambda \}.$$

S is clearly a holomorphic subbundle of $\mathbb{C}^n \times G(k, n)$ — explicitly, in each open $U_I \subset G(k, n)$ the row vectors of the normalized matrix representatives for $\Lambda \in U_I$ give a frame for S over U_I ; transition functions relative to these frames are given in $U_I \cap U_{I'}$ by $g_{U_I U_{I'}} = \Lambda_I \cdot \Lambda_{I'}^{-1}$.

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$$\text{Let } U_I = \{ \Lambda \in G(k, n) \mid \Lambda \cap V_{I^c} = \{0\} \}.$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} U_I & \xrightarrow{\varphi_I} & \mathbb{C}^{k \times n} \\ \Lambda & \longmapsto & \begin{pmatrix} * & \dots & 1 & * & \dots & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \\ * & & 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots \end{pmatrix} = \Lambda^I \end{array}$$