

ON THE NON-ZERO POINTS OF SECTIONS OF  
 A LINE BUNDLE ON AN ABELIAN VARIETY

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In the present paper, we generalize a main theorem given by Koizumi [2] for positive characteristic. The result is given in the following style:

*Let  $(X, L)$  be a principally polarized abelian variety over an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $p \geq 0$ ;  $a, b$  be two positive integers with  $b > a$ . Assume that  $K(L^b)$  has a reduced maximal isotropic direct summand  $H(b)$ , where  $K(L^b)$  is the scheme-theoretic kernel of the homomorphism  $\phi_{L^b}$  of  $X$  to the dual abelian variety  $\hat{X}$  defined by  $\phi_{L^b}(x) = T_x^* L^b \otimes L^{-b}$ . Then, for a non-trivial section  $f$  in  $\Gamma(L^a)$  and a point  $x$  in  $X$ , there exists a point  $y$  in  $H(b)$  such that  $f(x+y) \neq 0$ .*

This fact was first discovered by Koizumi [1] for characteristic zero provided  $(a, b) = 1$ , and immediately thereafter he removed the condition  $(a, b) = 1$  in [2]. Later, the author ([6], [7]) generalized it for every characteristic under the condition  $(a, b) = 1$ . Here, we shall remove the condition  $(a, b) = 1$  in the case of positive characteristic, following Koizumi's idea in [2] and using the methods developed in [7].

Moreover, as an application of our result, we shall show the fact:

*Let  $(X, L)$  be a polarized abelian variety over an algebraically closed field  $k$ , and assume that  $K(L^3)$  has a reduced maximal isotropic direct summand. Then the canonical map*

$$\sum_{a \in \hat{X}_3(k)} \Gamma(L \otimes P_a) \otimes \Gamma(L^2 \otimes P_{-a}) \longrightarrow \Gamma(L^3)$$

*is surjective, where  $P$  is the Poincaré invertible sheaf on  $X \times \hat{X}$  and  $P_{\hat{x}} = P|_{X \times \{\hat{x}\}}$  for a point  $\hat{x} \in \hat{X}$ .*

According to the arguments in [8], this fact implies that  $\phi(X)$  is ideal-theoretically an intersection of cubics when  $X$  is ordinary, even if the characteristic is three. Here  $\phi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(\Gamma(L^3))$  is the canonical embedding of  $X$  into the projective space  $\mathbb{P}(\Gamma(L^3))$ .

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We follow the previous papers [6], [7] for notation in this paper.

Throughout the paper, we denote by  $k$  an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $p \geq 0$ , and by  $X$  an abelian variety over  $k$  of dimension  $g$ . Let  $a, b$  be two positive integers; and  $\xi: X \times X \rightarrow X \times X$  be the homomorphism defined by  $(x, y) \mapsto (x - by, x + ay)$ . Then for a symmetric invertible sheaf  $L$  on  $X$  and closed points  $\alpha, \beta$  in  $\hat{X}$ , we have an isomorphism

$$(1) \quad \xi^*(p_1^*(L^\alpha \otimes P_\alpha) \otimes p_2^*(L^\beta \otimes P_\beta)) \simeq p_1^*(L^{a+b} \otimes P_{\alpha+\beta}) \otimes p_2^*(L^{ab(a+b)} \otimes P_{\alpha\beta-b\alpha})$$

(cf. [6], Prop. 1. 2). Hereafter, we fix a principal symmetric invertible sheaf  $L$  (i.e., an ample symmetric invertible sheaf with Euler-Poincaré characteristic 1). Moreover, we assume the condition

$$(C) \quad K(L^{a+b}) \text{ has a Göpel decomposition } K(L^{a+b}) = H_1(a+b) \oplus H_2(a+b) \text{ with } H_1(a+b) = H_1(a+b)_{\text{red}}.$$

Obviously this condition is satisfied for any  $X$  and  $a, b$  with  $p+a+b$  and for an ordinary abelian variety  $X$  and any  $a, b$ . Under the condition (C), we can easily take a maximal isotropic subgroup  $H(b(a+b))$  of  $K(L^{b(a+b)})$  satisfying the condition

$$(C') \quad bH(b(a+b)) = H_1(a+b), \quad H(b(a+b)) \cap H_2(a+b) = \{0\} \text{ and } (a+b)H(b(a+b)) \text{ is a maximal isotropic subgroup } H(b) \text{ of } K(L^b).$$

Let  $K = \text{Ker } \xi = \{(by, y) | y \in X_{a+b}\}$ ; let  $K^*$  be the level subgroup in  $\mathcal{G}(p_1^*(L^{a+b} \otimes P_{\alpha+\beta}) \otimes p_2^*(L^{ab(a+b)} \otimes P_{\alpha\beta-b\alpha}))$  of  $K$  corresponding to the isomorphism (1); and let  $\mathcal{G}^*$  be the centralizer of  $K^*$ . Then we have a canonical exact sequence

$$1 \longrightarrow K^* \longrightarrow \mathcal{G}^* \xrightarrow{\mathcal{G}(\xi)} \mathcal{G}(p_1^*(L^a \otimes P_\alpha) \otimes p_2^*(L^b \otimes P_\beta)) \longrightarrow 1.$$

Obviously,

$$(2) \quad K(p_1^*(L^{a+b} \otimes P_{\alpha+\beta}) \otimes p_2^*(L^{ab(a+b)} \otimes P_{\alpha\beta-b\alpha})) \supset K^1 \supset \{(by, y) | y \in X_{b(a+b)}\}.$$

So we put  $H_i(a+b)^d = \{(by, y) | y \in H_i(a+b)\}$  ( $i=1, 2$ ) and  $H(b(a+b))^d = \{(by, y) | y \in H(b(a+b))\}$ . Then we have the inclusions  $H_i(a+b) \times H(b(a+b)) \supset H_i(a+b)^d$ ,  $H_2(a+b) \times H_2(a+b) \supset H_2(a+b)^d$ , and an equality  $K = H_1(a+b)^d \oplus H_2(a+b)^d$ . Since  $K$  is lifted up to the level subgroup  $K^*$ ,  $H_i(a+b)^d$  ( $i=1, 2$ ) are also automatically lifted up to level subgroups  $H_i(a+b)^{d*}$  ( $i=1, 2$ ) and we have a decomposition  $K^* = H_1(a+b)^{d*} \oplus H_2(a+b)^{d*}$ . Moreover, by the above inclusions,  $H_1(a+b) \times H(b(a+b))$  (resp.  $H_2(a+b) \times H_2(a+b)$ ) can be lifted up to a level subgroup  $(H_1(a+b) \times H(b(a+b)))^*$  (resp.  $(H_2(a+b) \times H_2(a+b))^*$ ) which contains  $H_1(a+b)^{d*}$  (resp.  $H_2(a+b)^d$ ). So, the group  $H(b(a+b))^d$  is also automatically lifted up to a level subgroup  $H(b(a+b))^{d*}$ . The relation (2) implies that  $\mathcal{G}^*$  contains  $H(b(a+b))^{d*}$ , and  $\mathcal{G}(\xi)(H(b(a+b))^{d*})$  is a level

subgroup of  $\{0\} \times H(b)$ , which we denote by  $\bar{H}(b)^*$ . Let

$$\tau: \mathcal{G}(L^{a+b} \otimes P_{a+\beta}) \times \mathcal{G}(L^{ab(a+b)} \otimes P_{a\beta-ba}) \longrightarrow \mathcal{G}(P_1^*(L^{a+b} \otimes P_{a+\beta}) \otimes P_2^*(L^{ab(a+b)} \otimes P_{a\beta-ba}))$$

be the canonical homomorphism. Then, for suitable level subgroups  $H(b(a+b))^*$ ,  $H_1(a+b)^{**}$ ,  $H_2(a+b)^{**}$  and  $H_2(a+b)^*$ , we have the isomorphisms

$$\text{rest. of } \tau: H_1(a+b)^{**} \times H(b(a+b))^* \simeq (H_1(a+b) \times H(b(a+b)))^*$$

and

$$\text{rest. of } \tau: H_2(a+b)^{**} \times H_2(a+b) \simeq (H_2(a+b) \times H_2(a+b))^*.$$

Note that  $H(b)$  is automatically lifted up to a level subgroup  $H(b)^*$  in  $H(b(a+b))^*$ . By these isomorphisms, the level subgroup  $H(b(a+b))^{d*}$  (resp.  $H_2(a+b)^{d*}$ ) defines a homomorphism  $\phi_1: H(b(a+b))^* \longrightarrow H_1(a+b)^{**}$  (resp.  $\phi_2: H_2(a+b)^* \longrightarrow H_2(a+b)^{**}$ ) with  $\tau(\phi_1(\lambda), \lambda) \in H(b(a+b))^{d*}$  (resp.  $\tau(\phi_2(\mu), \mu) \in H_2(a+b)^{d*}$ ). Here we take the sections  $t$  and  $v$  such that  $\langle t \rangle = \Gamma(L^{a+b} \otimes P_{a+\beta})^{H_2(a+b)^{**}}$  and  $\langle v \rangle = \Gamma(L^b \otimes P_{\beta})^{\bar{H}(b)^*}$ . Under this notation we have

LEMMA 1. For a non-zero section  $u$  of  $\Gamma(L^a \otimes P_a)$ ,

$$(3) \quad \xi^*(u \otimes v) = \sum_{\lambda \in \text{Rep}(H(b(a+b))^*/H(b)^*)} U_{\phi_1 \lambda} t \otimes U_{\lambda} \theta$$

with some non-zero section  $\theta$  of  $\Gamma(L^{ab(a+b)} \otimes P_{a\beta-ba})^{H(b)^* + H_2(a+b)^*}$ . Here, for a group  $G$  and its subgroup  $H$ ,  $\text{Rep}(G/H)$  denotes a complete set of representatives of the quotient  $G/H$ .

PROOF. By our assumption,  $\langle \{U_{\lambda} t\}_{\lambda \in H_1(a+b)^{**}} \rangle = \Gamma(L^{a+b} \otimes P_{a+\beta})$ .

Therefore,  $\xi^*(u \otimes v)$  can be written in the form

$$(4) \quad \xi^*(u \otimes v) = \sum_{\lambda \in H_1(a+b)^{**}} U_{\lambda} t \otimes \theta_{\lambda} \quad \text{with } \theta_{\lambda} \in \Gamma(L^{ab(a+b)} \otimes P_{a\beta-ba}).$$

For a point  $\mu$  in  $H(b(a+b))^*$ ,

$$\xi^*(u \otimes v) = \sum_{\lambda \in H_1(a+b)^{**}} U_{\lambda + \phi_1 \mu} t \otimes U_{\mu} \theta_{\lambda}.$$

Hence we have  $U_{\mu} \theta_{\lambda} = \theta_{\lambda + \phi_1 \mu}$  for  $\lambda \in H_1(a+b)^*$  and  $\mu \in H(b(a+b))^*$ . In particular,  $U_{\mu} \theta_0 = \theta_{\phi_1 \mu}$  for  $\mu \in H(b(a+b))^*$  and  $U_{\mu} \theta_{\lambda} = \theta_{\lambda}$  for  $\lambda \in H_1(a+b)^*$  and  $\mu \in H(b)^*$ ; i.e.,  $\theta_{\lambda} \in \Gamma(L^{ab(a+b)} \otimes P_{a\beta-ba})^{H(b)^*}$ . Therefore the equality (4) can be replaced by

$$\xi^*(u \otimes v) = \sum_{\lambda \in \text{Rep}(H(b(a+b))^*/H(b)^*)} U_{\phi_1 \lambda} t \otimes U_{\lambda} \theta,$$

where  $\theta = \theta_0$ . Moreover, for a point  $\mu \in H_1(a+b)^*$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}\xi^*(u \otimes v) &= \sum_{\lambda \in \text{Rep}(H(b(a+b))^*/H(b)^*)} U_{\phi_2 \mu} U_{\phi_1 \lambda} t \otimes U_\mu U_\lambda \theta \\ &= \sum_{\lambda} e^{L^{a+b}}(\phi_2 \mu, \phi_1 \lambda) U_{\phi_1 \lambda} t \otimes U_\mu U_\lambda \theta.\end{aligned}$$

Hence we have

$$U_\mu U_\lambda \theta = e^{L^{a+b}}(\phi_1 \lambda, \phi_2 \mu) U_\lambda \theta.$$

In particular,  $U_\mu \theta = \theta$  for any  $\mu \in H_2(a+b)^*$ ; i.e.,

$$\theta \in \Gamma(L^{ab(a+b)} \otimes P_{a\beta-b\alpha})^{H(b)^* + H_2(a+b)^*}. \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

Under these preliminaries, we shall show the following theorem which is a generalization of Theorem 1.1 in [2] including the case of positive characteristic. Moreover, it is also a partial generalization of Theorem 1.4 in [7].

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $(Y, M)$  be a principally polarized abelian variety of dimension  $g$ . Let  $c, d$  be two positive integers with  $c > d$ . Assume that  $K(M^c)$  has a Göpel decomposition*

$$K(M^c) = H_1(M^c) \oplus H_2(M^c) \quad \text{with} \quad H_1(M^c) = H_1(M^c)_{\text{red}}.$$

*Let  $H_i(M^c)^*$  be a level subgroup in  $G(M^{cd})$  of  $H_i(M^c)$  for each  $i=1, 2$ ; and  $\{\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n\}$  be a basis of  $\Gamma(M^{cd})^{H_2(M^c)^*}$ , where  $n=d^g$ . Then, for any closed point  $y \in Y$ , we have*

$$\text{rank} [(U_i \theta_i)(y)]_{(i, i) \in H_1(M^c)^* \times \{1, \dots, n\}} = d^g.$$

**PROOF.** Obviously, we have only to show our theorem for a suitable lifting of  $H_2(M^c)$  and for a suitable basis  $\{\theta_i\}$  of  $\Gamma(M^{cd})^{H_2(M^c)^*}$ . We put  $d=a$  and  $c-d=b$ . In the same way as in the proof of Lemma 1.1 in [6], there exist an abelian variety  $X$ , an isogeny  $\pi: X \rightarrow Y$  and a principal symmetric invertible sheaf  $L$  on  $X$  satisfying the following conditions:

- (a)  $\pi^*(M^{cd}) \simeq L^{bcd} \otimes P_\gamma$  for some  $\gamma \in \hat{X}$ ,
- (b)  $\text{Ker } \pi$  is a maximal isotropic subgroup  $H(b)$  of  $K(L^b)$ ,
- (c) there exist a Göpel decomposition  $K(L^{a+b}) = H_1(a+b) \oplus H_2(a+b)$

with  $H_1(a+b) = H_1(a+b)_{\text{red}}$  and a maximal isotropic subgroup  $H(b(a+b))$  of  $K(L^{b(a+b)})$  satisfying the condition (C'),

- (d)  $\pi(H(b(a+b))) = H_1(M^c)$  and  $\pi(H_2(a+b)) = H_2(M^c)$ .

Therefore, if we choose two closed points  $\alpha, \beta$  in  $\hat{X}$  such that  $a\beta - b\alpha = cd\gamma$ , Lemma 1 is applicable for  $(X, L)$  and the isotropic subgroups given in (c) and (d). Moreover, suitably choosing the two points  $\alpha, \beta$ , we may assume that the level subgroup  $H(b)^*$  given in Lemma 1 is defined by the isomorphism in (a). Hence  $\Gamma(M^{cd}) \xrightarrow{\pi^*} \Gamma(L^{ab(a+b)} \otimes P_{a\beta-b\alpha})^{H(b)^*}$ . Let  $\{\mu_i\}_{i=1, \dots, n}$  be a basis of  $\Gamma(L^{ab(a+b)} \otimes P_{a\beta-b\alpha})^{H(b)^*}$ . Then, by Lemma

1, we have

$$\xi^*(u_i \otimes v) = \sum_{\lambda \in \text{Rep}(H(b(a+b))^*/H(b)^*)} U_{\phi_1 \lambda} t \otimes U_i \theta_i \quad (i=1, \dots, n),$$

i.e.,

$$(5) \quad \begin{aligned} & (u_i(x-by)v(x+ay))_{i \in \{1, \dots, n\}} \\ &= [(U_{\phi_1 \lambda} t)(x)]_{\lambda \in \text{Rep}(H(b(a+b))^*/H(b)^*)} \cdot [(U_i \theta_i)(y)]_{(i, \lambda)}, \end{aligned}$$

with  $\theta_i \in \Gamma(L^{ab(a+b)} \otimes P_{a\beta-b\alpha})^{H(b)^*+H_2(a+b)^*}$ . Since the components of the row vector in the left side are linearly independent for any fixed  $y$ ,

$$(6) \quad \text{rank} [(U_i \theta_i)(y)]_{(i, \lambda)} = n \quad \text{for any } y \in X.$$

Therefore  $\{\theta_i\}_{i=1, \dots, n}$  forms a basis of  $\Gamma(L^{ab(a+b)} \otimes P_{a\beta-b\alpha})^{H(b)^*+H_2(a+b)^*}$ . On the other hand, by virtue of (d),  $\mathcal{G}(\pi)(H(b(a+b))^*)$  and  $\mathcal{G}(\pi)(H_2(a+b)^*)$  are level subgroups of  $H_1(M^c)$  and  $H_2(M^c)$ , which we denote by  $H_i(M^c)^*$  ( $i=1, 2$ ), respectively. Hence, identifying  $\Gamma(M^{ca})$  and  $\Gamma(L^{ab(a+b)} \otimes P_{a\beta-b\alpha})^{H(b)^*}$  by  $\pi^*$ ,  $\{\theta_i\}_{i=1, \dots, n}$  forms a basis of  $\Gamma(M^{ca})^{H_2(M^c)^*}$  and (6) implies our assertion. Q.E.D.

In the same way as in the proofs of corollary 2.5.1 in [1] and of Corollary 1.3 in [2], we can deduce the following theorem from the above theorem.

**THEOREM 3.** *Let  $(X, L)$  be a principally polarized abelian variety; and  $a, b$  be two positive integers. Assume that  $K(L^b)$  has a Göpel decomposition  $K(L^b) = H_1(b) \oplus H_2(b)$  with  $H_1(b) = H_1(b)_{\text{red}}$ . Let  $x$  be any fixed point in  $X$ .*

(i) *If  $b > a$ , for a non-zero section  $f$  in  $\Gamma(L^a)$ , there exists a  $k$ -valued point  $y$  of  $H_1(b)$  such that  $f(x+y) \neq 0$ .*

(ii) *If  $b + a$ , and  $f$  is an eigenvector in  $\Gamma(L^a)$  for a level subgroup  $H(a)^*$  of a maximal isotropic subgroup  $H(a)$  in  $K(L^a)$ , there exists a  $k$ -valued point  $y$  in  $H_1(b)$  such that  $f(x+y) \neq 0$ .*

In view of this theorem, we can show the following proposition, which in the case of  $p=3$  asserts, as mentioned in the beginning, that if  $(X, L)$  is a polarized ordinary abelian variety over  $k$  of characteristic 3,  $\phi(X)$  is ideal-theoretically an intersection of cubics, where  $\phi: X \rightarrow \mathbf{P}(\Gamma(L^3))$  is the canonical embedding of  $X$  (cf. [8]).

**PROPOSITION 4.** *Let  $k$  be an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $p > 0$ ;  $X$  be an ordinary abelian variety over  $k$  of dimension  $g$ ; and  $L$  be an ample invertible sheaf on  $X$ . Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be two closed points in  $\hat{X}$ . Then the canonical map*

$$\sum_{\gamma \in \hat{X}_p(k)} \Gamma(L^{p-1} \otimes P_{\alpha+\gamma}) \otimes \Gamma(L \otimes P_{\beta-\gamma}) \longrightarrow \Gamma(L^p \otimes P_{\alpha+\beta})$$

is surjective.

PROOF. As in the proof of Theorem 2.2 in [6], we can easily reduce our theorem to the case where  $L$  is principal. Moreover, without loss of generality we assume  $L$  is symmetric.

Let  $\xi: X \times X \rightarrow X \times X$  be the homomorphism defined by  $(x, y) \mapsto (x-y, x+(p-1)y)$ . Then

$$\xi^*(p_1^*(L^{p-1} \otimes P_\alpha) \otimes p_2^*(L \otimes P_\beta)) \simeq p_1^*(L^p \otimes P_{\alpha+\beta}) \otimes p_2^*(L^{(p-1)^p} \otimes P_{(p-1)\beta-\alpha})$$

and

$$\Gamma(L^{p-1} \otimes P_\alpha) \otimes \Gamma(L \otimes P_\beta) \xrightarrow{\xi^*} \Gamma(L^p \otimes P_{\alpha+\beta}) \otimes \Gamma(L^{(p-1)^p} \otimes P_{(p-1)\beta-\alpha}).$$

Here we take a Göpel decomposition of  $K(L^{(p-1)^p} \otimes P_{(p-1)\beta-\alpha})$ :

$$K(L^{(p-1)^p} \otimes P_{(p-1)\beta-\alpha}) = H_1((p-1)\mathfrak{p}) \oplus H_2((p-1)\mathfrak{p})$$

with  $H_1((p-1)\mathfrak{p}) = H_1((p-1)\mathfrak{p})_{\text{red}}$ , and we put  $\mathfrak{p}H_i((p-1)\mathfrak{p}) = H_i(p-1)$  and  $(p-1)H_i((p-1)\mathfrak{p}) = H_i(\mathfrak{p})$  for  $i=1, 2$ . Let  $H_i(\mathfrak{p})^* \subset \mathcal{G}(L^{(p-1)^p} \otimes P_{(p-1)\beta-\alpha})$  and  $H_i(\mathfrak{p})^{**} \subset \mathcal{G}(L^p \otimes P_{\alpha+\beta})$  are level subgroups given in Lemma 1 for  $i=1, 2$ . Moreover, let  $H_i(p-1)^*$  be a level subgroup in  $\mathcal{G}(L^{(p-1)^p} \otimes P_{(p-1)\beta-\alpha})$  of  $H_i(p-1)$  for each  $i=1, 2$ . Then, obviously  $\{0\} \times X_{p-1} \subset \text{Ker}(\xi)^\perp$  and  $\mathcal{G}(\xi)(\{0\} \times H_i(p-1)^*)$  is a level subgroup of  $H_i(p-1) \times \{0\}$  for each  $i=1, 2$ . We put  $\mathcal{G}(\xi)(\{0\} \times H_i(p-1)^*) = \bar{H}_i(p-1)^*$ . Let  $u, v$  and  $t$  be the sections such that  $\langle u \rangle = \Gamma(L^{p-1} \otimes P_\alpha)^{\bar{H}_2(p-1)^*}$ ,  $\langle v \rangle = \Gamma(L \otimes P_\beta)$  and  $\langle t \rangle = \Gamma(L^p \otimes P_{\alpha+\beta})^{H_2(p)^{**}}$ . Then, by Lemma 1,

$$(7) \quad \xi^*(u \otimes v) = \sum_{\lambda \in H_1(p)^*} U_{\phi_1 \lambda} t \otimes U_\lambda \theta$$

with  $\theta \in \Gamma(L^{(p-1)^p} \otimes P_{(p-1)\beta-\alpha})^{H_2(p)^* + H_2(p-1)^*}$ . Moreover, for any  $\nu \in H_1(p-1)^*$ ,

$$(8) \quad \xi^*(U_{\mathfrak{a}(\xi)(0, \nu)} u \otimes v) = \sum_{\lambda \in H_1(p)^*} U_{\phi_1 \lambda} t \otimes U_{\lambda + \nu} \theta.$$

On the other hand, for  $x \in X_p$ , the diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X \times X & \xrightarrow{\xi} & X \times X \\ T_{(0, x)} \downarrow & & \downarrow T_{(-x, (p-1)x)} \\ X \times X & \xrightarrow{\xi} & X \times X \end{array}$$

commutes. Hence we have an isomorphism

$$T_{(0, x)}^* \xi^*(p_1^*(L^{p-1} \otimes P_\alpha) \otimes p_2^*(L \otimes P_\beta)) \simeq \xi^*(T_{(-x, (p-1)x)}^*(p_1^*(L^{p-1} \otimes P_\alpha) \otimes p_2^*(L \otimes P_\beta)))$$

$$\simeq \xi^*(p_1^*(L^{p-1} \otimes P_{\alpha-(p-1)\phi_L(x)}) \otimes p_2^*(L \otimes P_{\beta+(p-1)\phi_L(x)})).$$

Therefore, for  $\mu \in H_1(p)^*$ , we obtain a commutative diagram :

$$(9) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma(L^{p-1} \otimes P_\alpha) \otimes \Gamma(L \otimes P_\beta) & \xrightarrow{\xi^*} & \Gamma(L_p \otimes P_{\alpha+\beta}) \otimes \Gamma(L^{(p-1)p} \otimes P_{(p-1)\beta-\alpha}) \\ \downarrow U_\mu' & & \downarrow 1 \otimes U_\mu \\ \Gamma(L^{p-1} \otimes P_{\alpha-\gamma}) \otimes \Gamma(L \otimes P_{\beta+\gamma}) & \xrightarrow{\xi^*} & \Gamma(L^p \otimes P_{\alpha+\beta}) \otimes \Gamma(L^{(p-1)p} \otimes P_{(p-1)\beta-\alpha}) \end{array}$$

where  $U_\mu'$  is a suitable isomorphism and  $\gamma$  is a suitable point in  $\hat{X}_p$ . Applying this commutative diagram to the equality (8), we obtain

$$(10) \quad \begin{aligned} & [\xi^*(U_\mu'(U_{\mathfrak{z}(\xi)\tau(0,\nu)} \mathcal{M} \otimes \nu))]_{\mu \in H_1(p)^*} \\ & = (U_\lambda t)_{\lambda \in H_1(p)^*} [U_{\lambda+\mu+\nu\theta}]_{(\lambda,\mu) \in H_1(p)^* \times H_1(p)^*}. \end{aligned}$$

By easy calculation, we have

$$\det [U_{\lambda+\mu+\nu\theta}]_{(\lambda,\mu) \in H_1(p)^* \times H_1(p)^*} = \pm [U_\nu (\sum_{\lambda \in H_1(p)^*} U_\lambda \theta)]^{p^g}.$$

Here we notice that this equality was first pointed out by R. Sasaki. Obviously we have

$$\sum_{\lambda \in H_1(p)^*} U_\lambda \theta \in \Gamma(L^{(p-1)p} \otimes P_{(p-1)\beta-\alpha})^{H_2(p-1)^* + H_1(p)^*}.$$

Let  $Y = X/H_2(p-1)$ ; and  $\pi: X \rightarrow Y$  be the canonical map. Then there exists a principal invertible sheaf  $M$  on  $Y$  such that

$$\pi^* M^p \simeq L^{(p-1)p} \otimes P_{(p-1)\beta-\alpha}$$

and

$$\Gamma(M^p) \xrightarrow{\pi^*} \Gamma(L^{(p-1)p} \otimes P_{(p-1)\beta-\alpha})^{H_2(p-1)^*}.$$

Hence  $\sum_{\lambda \in H_1(p)^*} U_\lambda \theta$  can be considered as an element of  $\Gamma(M^p)^{\mathfrak{z}(\pi)(H_1(p)^*)}$ . On the other hand,  $\mathcal{G}(\pi)(H_1(p)^*)$  is a level subgroup of  $K(M^p)_{\text{red.}}$ , and  $\pi(H_1(p-1))$  is an isotropic direct summand of  $K(M^{p-1})$ . Therefore, by Theorem 3, (ii), there exists an element  $x$  of  $H_1(p-1)$  such that

$$\sum_{\lambda \in H_1(p)^*} (U_\lambda \theta)(x) \neq 0.$$

Therefore, for the point  $\nu \in H_1(p-1)^*$  corresponding to this  $x$ ,

$$[U_\nu (\sum_{\lambda \in H_1(p)^*} U_\lambda \theta)](0) \neq 0.$$

This inequality and (10) imply the surjectivity of our map.

*Q.E.D.*

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