

ON FUJITA'S CONJECTURE

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1. Introduction. Let X be a smooth projective variety over an algebraically closed field \mathbb{k} of characteristic 0. The aim of this paper is to find conditions for an ample divisor L such that there is a section of $\mathcal{O}_X(K_X + L)$ which does not vanish at a given point $x \in X$, where K_X denotes the canonical divisor. Let us illustrate this in two examples.

The first example is the case $\dim X = 1$. Then the ideal sheaf \mathcal{I}_x of x is locally free of degree -1 . Therefore, by Serre duality, the first cohomology of $\mathcal{I}_x(K_X + L)$ vanishes if $\deg L > 1$, and from a long exact cohomology sequence, we find that $\mathcal{O}_X(K_X + L)$ is globally generated. By the same argument, we see that if $M = \{x\}$, so that $\deg M = 1$, then x is a base point of $\mathcal{O}_X(K_X + M)$, which just means that there are no differential forms with one first-order pole because of the residue formula. In this case $\deg(K_X + M) = 2g - 1$, where g is the genus of X . This example shows that there are divisors on curves of arbitrary high degree which are not globally generated. This is the reason for considering global generation of adjoint bundles $\mathcal{O}_X(K_X + L)$ rather than that of $\mathcal{O}_X(L)$ itself.

The second standard example is the projective space $X = \mathbf{P}^n(\mathbb{k})$. Then every divisor on X is linear equivalent to mH , where H is a hyperplane section. In particular, $K_X \equiv -(n+1)H$. Therefore $\mathcal{O}_X(K_X + mH)$ is globally generated if and only if $m > n$. Generalizing these two examples, T. Fujita raised in [7] the following conjecture.

CONJECTURE 1.1 (Fujita). *Let X be a smooth projective variety of dimension n , and let H be an ample divisor on X . Then $\mathcal{O}_X(K_X + mH)$ is generated by its global sections if $m > n$ or if $m = n$ and $H^n > 1$.*

As we have seen above, this is true for curves. But our argument depends

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