

## A note on the dimension of global sections of adjoint bundles for polarized 4-folds

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**Abstract:** Let  $(X, L)$  be a polarized manifold defined over the field of complex numbers. In this paper, we consider the case where  $\dim X = 4$  and we prove that the second Hilbert coefficient  $A_2(X, L)$  of  $(X, L)$ , which was defined in our previous paper, is non-negative. Furthermore we consider a question proposed by H. Tsuji for  $\dim X = 4$ .

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**1. Introduction.** Let  $X$  be a projective variety of dimension  $n$  defined over the field of complex numbers, and let  $L$  be an ample line bundle on  $X$ . Then  $(X, L)$  is called a *polarized variety*. If  $X$  is smooth, then we say that  $(X, L)$  is a *polarized manifold*.

In [2, Conjecture 7.2.7], Beltrametti and Sommese proposed the following conjecture.

**Conjecture 1.1.** Let  $(X, L)$  be a polarized manifold of dimension  $n$ . Assume that  $K_X + (n-1)L$  is nef. Then  $h^0(K_X + (n-1)L) > 0$ .

At present, there are some answers for Conjecture 1.1. For example, it is known that this conjecture is true if  $\dim X \leq 4$  ([2, Theorem 7.2.6], [8, Theorem 2.4], [4] and [12, Theorem 3.1]) or  $h^0(L) > 0$  ([14, 1.2 Theorem]). But it is unknown whether this conjecture is true or not in general. The following conjecture is a generalization of Conjecture 1.1.

**Conjecture 1.2** (Ionescu [16, Open problems, p. 321], Ambro [1] and Kawamata [15]). Let  $(X, L)$  be a polarized manifold of dimension  $n$ . Assume that  $K_X + L$  is nef. Then  $h^0(K_X + L) > 0$ .

At present, there are some partial answers for this conjecture (for example, [9, Theorem 3.2], [3, Théorème 1.8]). Höring [14, 1.5 Theorem] gave a proof of Conjecture 1.2 for the case of  $n = 3$ . But we do not know whether this conjecture is true or not for the case of  $n \geq 4$ .

These conjectures motivated the author to begin investigating  $h^0(K_X + tL)$  for a positive

integer  $t$ . Our aim is not only to know the positivity of  $h^0(K_X + tL)$  but also to evaluate a lower bound for  $h^0(K_X + tL)$ . In [10], in order to investigate  $h^0(K_X + tL)$  systematically, we introduced an invariant  $A_i(X, L)$  for every integer  $i$  with  $0 \leq i \leq n$ , which is called the  *$i$ -th Hilbert coefficient of  $(X, L)$*  (see Definition 2.2 (ii) below). From the following theorem which shows a relationship between  $h^0(K_X + tL)$  and  $A_i(X, L)$ , we see that it is important to study the value of  $A_i(X, L)$  in order to know the value of  $h^0(K_X + tL)$ .

**Theorem 1.1** ([10, Corollary 3.1]). *Let  $(X, L)$  be a polarized manifold of dimension  $n$ , and let  $t$  be a positive integer. Then we have*

$$h^0(K_X + tL) = \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{t-1}{n-j} A_j(X, L).$$

So it is interesting and important to study the non-negativity of  $A_i(X, L)$ . In general, there is the following conjecture.

**Conjecture 1.3** (see [10, Conjecture 5.1]). Let  $(X, L)$  be a polarized manifold of dimension  $n$ . Then  $A_i(X, L) \geq 0$  holds for every integer  $i$  with  $0 \leq i \leq n$ .

In [10] we studied the invariant  $A_i(X, L)$  in the case where  $L$  is ample and spanned by global sections. In particular we proved that  $A_i(X, L) \geq 0$  for every integer  $i$  with  $0 \leq i \leq n$  for the case where  $L$  is ample and spanned.

And we obtained a lower bound of  $h^0(K_X + tL)$  by using some properties of  $A_i(X, L)$  (see [10]). In [11, Theorem 3.1.1], we proved that this conjecture for  $i = 2$  is true if either (i)  $n \leq 3$  or (ii)  $n \geq 4$  and  $\kappa(X) \geq 0$ . Finally we studied the following question

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of H. Tsuji ([17, Problem 1]).

**Problem 1.1.** Let  $(X, L)$  be a polarized manifold of dimension  $n$ . Then is it true that

$$(1) \quad h^0(K_X + mL) \geq h^0(K_X + (m - 1)L)$$

for every integer  $m$  with  $m \geq 2$ ?

In [11, Theorem 4.3.1] we proved that this inequality (1) holds for the following cases; (i)  $n \leq 3$ , (ii)  $n = 4$  and  $\kappa(X) \geq 0$ .

Main purposes of this paper are (i) to prove  $A_2(X, L) \geq 0$  for  $n = 4$  and (ii) to prove that (1) in Problem 1.1 is true for  $n = 4$  and every integer  $m \geq 3$ .

In this paper, varieties are always assumed to be defined over the field of complex numbers. We use the standard notation from algebraic geometry.

**2. Preliminaries.**

**Notation 2.1.** Let  $X$  be a projective variety of dimension  $n$  and let  $L$  be a line bundle on  $X$ . Then  $\chi(tL)$  is a polynomial in  $t$  of degree at most  $n$ , and we can write  $\chi(tL)$  as  $\chi(tL) = \sum_{j=0}^n \chi_j(X, L) \binom{t}{j}$ .

**Definition 2.1** ([7, Definition 2.1]). Let  $X$  be a projective variety of dimension  $n$  and let  $L$  be a line bundle on  $X$ . For every integer  $i$  with  $0 \leq i \leq n$ , the  $i$ th sectional geometric genus  $g_i(X, L)$  of  $(X, L)$  is defined by the following

$$g_i(X, L) = (-1)^i (\chi_{n-i}(X, L) - \chi(\mathcal{O}_X)) + \sum_{j=0}^{n-i} (-1)^{n-i-j} h^{n-j}(\mathcal{O}_X).$$

**Remark 2.1.** (i) Since  $\chi_{n-i}(X, L) \in \mathbf{Z}$ , we see that  $g_i(X, L)$  is an integer.

- (ii) If  $i = n$ , then  $g_n(X, L) = h^n(\mathcal{O}_X)$ .
- (iii) If  $i = 0$ , then  $g_0(X, L) = L^n$ .
- (iv) If  $i = 1$ , then  $g_1(X, L) = g(X, L)$ , where  $g(X, L)$  is the sectional genus of  $(X, L)$ . If  $X$  is smooth, then the sectional genus  $g(X, L)$  is written as  $g(X, L) = 1 + \frac{1}{2}(K_X + (n - 1)L)L^{n-1}$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $X$  be a smooth projective variety with  $\dim X = n$  and let  $L$  be a nef and big line bundle on  $X$ . Then for any integer  $i$  with  $0 \leq i \leq n - 1$ , we have

$$g_i(X, L) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-i-1} (-1)^j \binom{n-i}{j} h^0(K_X + (n-i-j)L) + \sum_{k=0}^{n-i} (-1)^{n-i-k} h^{n-k}(\mathcal{O}_X).$$

*Proof.* See [7, Theorem 2.3]. □

**Definition 2.2** ([10, Definitions 3.1 and 3.2]).

Let  $(X, L)$  be a polarized manifold of dimension  $n$ .

(i) Let  $t$  be a positive integer. Then we set

$$F_0(t) := h^0(K_X + tL),$$

$$F_i(t) := F_{i-1}(t + 1) - F_{i-1}(t)$$

for every integer  $i$  with  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

(ii) For every integer  $i$  with  $0 \leq i \leq n$ , the  $i$ th Hilbert coefficient  $A_i(X, L)$  of  $(X, L)$  is defined by  $A_i(X, L) = F_{n-i}(1)$ .

**Remark 2.2.** (i) If  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , then  $A_i(X, L)$  can be written as follows (see [10, Proposition 3.2]):

$$A_i(X, L) = g_i(X, L) + g_{i-1}(X, L) - h^{i-1}(\mathcal{O}_X).$$

(ii) By Definition 2.2 and [10, Proposition 3.1 (2)], we have the following

- (ii.1)  $A_i(X, L) \in \mathbf{Z}$  for every integer  $i$  with  $0 \leq i \leq n$ ,
- (ii.2)  $A_0(X, L) = L^n$ ,
- (ii.3)  $A_1(X, L) = g_1(X, L) + g_0(X, L) - h^0(\mathcal{O}_X) = \frac{1}{2}K_X L^{n-1} + \frac{n+1}{2}L^n$ ,
- (ii.4)  $A_n(X, L) = h^0(K_X + L)$ .

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $(X, L)$  be a polarized manifold of dimension  $n$  and let  $t$  be a positive integer. Then for every integer  $i$  with  $0 \leq i \leq n$  we have

$$F_{n-i}(t) = \sum_{j=0}^i \binom{t-1}{i-j} A_j(X, L).$$

*Proof.* See [10, Theorem 3.1]. Here we note that if  $i = n$ , then this result is Theorem 1.1 in Introduction. □

**Definition 2.3.** (i) Let  $X$  (resp.  $Y$ ) be an  $n$ -dimensional smooth projective variety, and  $L$  (resp.  $H$ ) an ample line bundle on  $X$  (resp.  $Y$ ). Then  $(X, L)$  is called a *simple blowing up of  $(Y, H)$*  if there exists a birational morphism  $\pi : X \rightarrow Y$  such that  $\pi$  is a blowing up at a point of  $Y$  and  $L = \pi^*(H) - E$ , where  $E$  is the  $\pi$ -exceptional effective reduced divisor.

(ii) Let  $X$  (resp.  $M$ ) be an  $n$ -dimensional smooth projective variety, and  $L$  (resp.  $A$ ) an ample line bundle on  $X$  (resp.  $M$ ). Then we say that  $(M, A)$  is a *reduction of  $(X, L)$*  if there exists a birational morphism  $\mu : X \rightarrow M$  such that  $\mu$  is a composition of simple blowing ups and  $(M, A)$  is not obtained by a simple blowing up of any other polarized manifolds.

**Remark 2.3.** Let  $(X, L)$  be a polarized manifold and let  $(M, A)$  be a reduction of  $(X, L)$ . Let  $\mu : X \rightarrow M$  be the reduction map, and let  $\gamma$  be the number of simple blowing ups of its reduction. Then by [7, Proposition 2.6]

$$g_i(X, L) = \begin{cases} g_i(M, A) & \text{if } 1 \leq i \leq n, \\ A^n - \gamma & \text{if } i = 0. \end{cases}$$

Hence

$$A_i(X, L) = \begin{cases} A_i(M, A) & \text{if } 2 \leq i \leq n, \\ A_i(M, A) - \gamma & \text{if } i = 0, 1. \end{cases}$$

**3. Main results.** First we prove the following

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $(X, L)$  be a polarized manifold of dimension 4. Then  $A_2(X, L) \geq 0$ .*

*Proof.* (A) Assume that  $h^0(K_X + L) > 0$ . Then by [13, Claim 2.1] we obtain that  $\Omega_X(L)$  is generically nef. So by [14, 2.11 Corollary] we have

$$(2) \quad c_2(X)L^2 \geq -3K_XL^3 - 6L^4.$$

Hence by [12, Remark 2.3 (iii)]

$$\begin{aligned} A_2(X, L) &= \frac{25}{12}L^4 + K_XL^3 + \frac{1}{12}(K_X^2 + c_2(X))L^2 \\ &\geq \frac{25}{12}L^4 + K_XL^3 + \frac{1}{12}K_X^2L^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{12}(3K_XL^3 + 6L^4) \\ &= \frac{1}{12}(K_X + L)(K_X + 8L)L^2 + \frac{11}{12}L^4 > 0. \end{aligned}$$

(B) Assume that  $h^0(K_X + L) = 0$ . By [13, Remark 2.4] we may assume that  $\kappa(K_X + 2L) \geq 0$ . Moreover, by Remark 2.3, we may assume that  $(X, L)$  is the reduction of itself. Then we note that  $K_X + 2L$  is nef by the adjunction theory (see [2, Proposition 7.2.2 and Theorem 7.2.4]). In particular,  $K_X + 3L$  is ample. In this case, we take the MRC-fibration of  $X$ . (For the definition of the MRC-fibration, see, e.g., [12, Theorem 2.3 and Definition 2.4].) Then there exist smooth projective varieties  $Y$  and  $B$ , a birational morphism  $\pi : Y \rightarrow X$  and a surjective morphism with connected fibers  $f : Y \rightarrow B$  such that  $B$  is not uniruled and the fiber of  $f$  is rationally connected. Let  $b$  be the dimension of the base space  $B$  of the MRC-fibration.

(B.i) Assume that  $b \geq 3$ . Then by [12, Remark 2.4 (2)] and the argument of [14, Step 2, p. 741]

$$\begin{aligned} A_2(X, L) &= \frac{1}{24}L^2(2(K_X^2 + c_2(X)) + 24K_XL + 50L^2) \\ &> 0. \end{aligned}$$

(B.ii) Assume that  $b \leq 2$ . Then we note that  $h^i(\mathcal{O}_X) = 0$  for  $i \geq 3$ . Hence by Theorem 2.1 and the assumption that  $h^0(K_X + L) = 0$  we have

$$(3) \quad g_2(X, L) = h^0(K_X + 2L) + h^2(\mathcal{O}_X) \geq 0.$$

(B.ii.1) Assume that  $b = 2$ . Then since  $h^2(\mathcal{O}_X) \geq h^2(\mathcal{O}_B)$  and  $h^1(\mathcal{O}_X) = h^1(\mathcal{O}_B)$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} (4) \quad g_2(X, L) - h^1(\mathcal{O}_X) &= h^0(K_X + 2L) + h^2(\mathcal{O}_X) - h^1(\mathcal{O}_X) \\ &\geq h^2(\mathcal{O}_X) - h^1(\mathcal{O}_X) \\ &\geq \chi(\mathcal{O}_B) - 1. \end{aligned}$$

Here we note that we may assume that  $g_1(X, L) \geq 2$  because we see from [5, (12.1) Theorem and (12.3) Theorem] and [13, Remark 2.4] that  $A_2(X, L) \geq 0$  holds for any  $(X, L)$  with  $g_1(X, L) \leq 1$ . Since  $A_2(X, L) = g_2(X, L) + g_1(X, L) - h^1(\mathcal{O}_X)$  and  $\kappa(B) \geq 0$ , by (4) we have

$$\begin{aligned} A_2(X, L) &\geq \chi(\mathcal{O}_B) + g_1(X, L) - 1 \\ &> \chi(\mathcal{O}_B) \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

(B.ii.2) Assume that  $b = 1$ . In this case,  $h^1(\mathcal{O}_X) = g(B)$  and  $g_1(X, L) - h^1(\mathcal{O}_X) = g_1(X, L) - g(B) \geq 0$  by [6, Theorem 1.2.1], where  $g(B)$  is the genus of  $B$ . Hence by (3) we have  $A_2(X, L) = g_2(X, L) + g_1(X, L) - h^1(\mathcal{O}_X) \geq g_2(X, L) \geq 0$ .

(B.ii.3) Assume that  $b = 0$ . Then  $h^1(\mathcal{O}_X) = 0$ . Hence by (3) and [5, (12.1) Theorem] we get  $A_2(X, L) = g_2(X, L) + g_1(X, L) - h^1(\mathcal{O}_X) = g_2(X, L) + g_1(X, L) \geq 0$ .

These complete the proof of Theorem 3.1.  $\square$

Next we consider Problem 1.1 for  $\dim X = 4$  and  $m \geq 3$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $(X, L)$  be a polarized manifold of dimension 4. Then for every integer  $m$  with  $m \geq 3$ , we have*

$$h^0(K_X + mL) - h^0(K_X + (m-1)L) \geq 0.$$

*Proof.* In this case, by using Theorem 1.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (5) \quad h^0(K_X + mL) - h^0(K_X + (m-1)L) &= \binom{m-2}{3}A_0(X, L) + \binom{m-2}{2}A_1(X, L) \end{aligned}$$

$$+ \binom{m-2}{1} A_2(X, L) + \binom{m-2}{0} A_3(X, L).$$

(I) Assume that  $h^0(K_X + L) > 0$ . Then we see from [13, Claim 2.1] that  $\Omega_X(L)$  is generically nef. We note that  $\kappa(K_X + 3L) \geq 0$ . Therefore  $K_X + 3L$  is nef by the adjunction theory ([2, Proposition 7.2.2, Theorems 7.2.3 and 7.2.4]). Hence  $K_X + (2m-1)L$  is nef for every integer  $m \geq 2$ . So by [14, 2.11 Corollary] we have

$$\begin{aligned} (6) \quad c_2(X)(K_X + (2m-1)L)L & \\ & \geq -(3K_X L + 6L^2)(K_X + (2m-1)L)L \\ & = -3K_X^2 L^2 - (6m+3)K_X L^3 \\ & \quad - 6(2m-1)L^4. \end{aligned}$$

We note that by Remark 2.2 (ii.2), (ii.3) and [12, Remark 2.3 (iii)]

$$(7) \quad A_0(X, L) = L^4,$$

$$(8) \quad A_1(X, L) = \frac{1}{2} K_X L^3 + \frac{5}{2} L^4,$$

$$(9) \quad A_2(X, L) = \frac{25}{12} L^4 + K_X L^3 \\ + \frac{1}{12} (K_X^2 + c_2(X)) L^2,$$

$$(10) \quad A_3(X, L) = \frac{5}{8} L^4 + \frac{7}{12} K_X L^3 + \frac{1}{8} K_X^2 L^2 \\ + \frac{1}{24} c_2(X)(K_X + 3L)L.$$

By (5), (6), (7), (8), (9) and (10), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (11) \quad h^0(K_X + mL) - h^0(K_X + (m-1)L) & \\ & = \left( \frac{1}{6} m^3 - \frac{1}{4} m^2 + \frac{1}{6} m - \frac{1}{24} \right) L^4 \\ & \quad + \left( \frac{1}{4} m^2 - \frac{1}{4} m + \frac{1}{12} \right) K_X L^3 \\ & \quad + \left( \frac{1}{12} m - \frac{1}{24} \right) K_X^2 L^2 \\ & \quad + \frac{1}{24} c_2(X)(K_X + (2m-1)L)L \\ & \geq \left( \frac{1}{6} m^3 - \frac{1}{4} m^2 - \frac{1}{3} m + \frac{5}{24} \right) L^4 \\ & \quad + \left( \frac{1}{4} m^2 - \frac{1}{2} m - \frac{1}{24} \right) K_X L^3 \\ & \quad + \left( \frac{1}{12} m - \frac{1}{6} \right) K_X^2 L^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & = \frac{m-2}{12} (K_X + L)(K_X + 3L)L^2 \\ & \quad + \left\{ \frac{1}{12} (3m-1)(m-3) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{9}{24} \right\} (K_X + 2L)L^3 \\ & \quad + \left\{ \frac{1}{12} m(2m-6) \left( m - \frac{3}{2} \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{1}{3} m - \frac{13}{24} \right\} L^4. \end{aligned}$$

If  $m \geq 3$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{m-2}{12} & > 0, \\ \frac{1}{12} (3m-1)(m-3) + \frac{9}{24} & \geq \frac{9}{24}, \\ \frac{1}{12} m(2m-6) \left( m - \frac{3}{2} \right) + \frac{1}{3} m - \frac{13}{24} & \geq \frac{11}{24}. \end{aligned}$$

Here we note that  $(K_X + L)(K_X + 3L)L^2 \geq 0$  since  $h^0(K_X + L) > 0$  and  $K_X + 3L$  is nef. Moreover  $(K_X + 2L)L^3 > 0$  since  $h^0(K_X + L) > 0$  and  $L$  is ample. Hence, for every integer  $m$  with  $m \geq 3$ , we have  $h^0(K_X + mL) - h^0(K_X + (m-1)L) > 0$ .

(II) Assume that  $h^0(K_X + L) = 0$ . First we note that in this case  $A_3(X, L) \geq 0$  because  $A_4(X, L) = h^0(K_X + L) = 0$  and  $0 \leq h^0(K_X + 2L) = A_4(X, L) + A_3(X, L)$ . Since  $A_2(X, L) \geq 0$  by Theorem 3.1, we get  $h^0(K_X + mL) - h^0(K_X + (m-1)L) \geq 0$  for every integer  $m \geq 3$  by [11, Remark 2.2 (2.2) and Theorem 3.1.1 (1)] and (5).  $\square$

Next we consider the case of  $\dim X = 4$  and  $m = 2$  in Problem 1.1.

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $(X, L)$  be a polarized manifold of dimension 4 such that  $(X, L)$  does not have the following structure (\*). Then  $h^0(K_X + 2L) \geq h^0(K_X + L)$ .*

(\*) *There exist smooth projective varieties  $\tilde{X}$  and  $Y$  with  $\dim \tilde{X} = 4$  and  $\dim Y = 3$ , a birational morphism  $\mu: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ , and a fiber space  $f: \tilde{X} \rightarrow Y$  such that  $F \cong \mathbf{P}^1$  and  $(\mu^* L)_F = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}^1}(2)$ , where  $F$  is a general fiber of  $f$ .*

*Proof.* If  $h^0(K_X + L) = 0$ , then  $h^0(K_X + 2L) - h^0(K_X + L) = h^0(K_X + 2L) \geq 0$ . So we may assume that  $h^0(K_X + L) > 0$ . Then we can prove the following

**Claim 3.1.**  $\Omega_X(\frac{3}{4}L)$  is generically nef.

*Proof.* Assume that  $\Omega_X(\frac{3}{4}L)$  is not generically nef. By [14, 3.1 Theorem] there exist a smooth

projective variety  $\tilde{X}$  of dimension 4, a smooth projective variety  $Y$  of dimension  $m$  with  $m \leq 3$ , a birational morphism  $\mu : \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ , and a surjective morphism  $f : \tilde{X} \rightarrow Y$  with connected fibers such that the following (#) holds:

(#) Any general fiber  $F$  of  $f$  is rationally connected and  $h^0(D) = 0$  for any Cartier divisor  $D$  on  $F$  such that  $D \sim_{\mathbf{Q}} K_F + j\mu^*(\frac{3}{4}L)_F$  for any  $j \in [0, n - m] \cap \mathbf{Q}$ , where  $\sim_{\mathbf{Q}}$  denotes the linear equivalence of  $\mathbf{Q}$ -divisors.

(a) Assume that  $\dim Y \leq 2$ . Then we see from (#) that  $h^0(K_F + \mu^*(L)_F) = h^0(K_F + \frac{4}{3}\mu^*(\frac{3}{4}L)_F) = 0$  for any general fiber  $F$  of  $f$ . But since  $h^0(K_{\tilde{X}} + \mu^*(L)) = h^0(K_X + L) > 0$ , we have  $h^0(K_F + \mu^*(L)_F) > 0$  holds for any general fiber  $F$ . Hence this is a contradiction.

(b) Assume that  $\dim Y = 3$ . In this case  $F \cong \mathbf{P}^1$ . If  $\deg \mu^*(L)_F \geq 3$ , then there exists  $j \in [0, 1] \cap \mathbf{Q}$  such that  $K_F + j\mu^*(\frac{3}{4}L)_F$  is a Cartier divisor with  $\deg(K_F + j\mu^*(\frac{3}{4}L)_F) \geq 0$ . Hence  $h^0(K_F + j\mu^*(\frac{3}{4}L)_F) > 0$  and this contradicts (#). So we have  $\deg(\mu^*(L)_F) \leq 2$ . On the other hand, we get  $\deg(\mu^*(L)_F) \geq 2$  because  $h^0(K_F + \mu^*(L)_F) > 0$ . Therefore  $\deg(\mu^*(L)_F) = 2$ . But this case is excluded by the assumption that  $(X, L)$  does not have the structure (\*). Therefore we get the assertion of Claim 3.1.  $\square$

We note that  $K_X + 3L$  is nef because  $h^0(K_X + L) > 0$  (see (I) in the proof of Theorem 3.2). By the same argument as in the proof of Theorem 3.2, we see from Claim 3.1 and [14, 2.11 Corollary] that

$$(12) \quad c_2(X)(K_X + 3L)L \geq -\frac{81}{8}L^4 - \frac{81}{8}K_XL^3 - \frac{9}{4}K_X^2L^2.$$

On the other hand by (11) in the proof of Theorem 3.2, we have

$$(13) \quad h^0(K_X + 2L) - h^0(K_X + L) = \frac{5}{8}L^4 + \frac{7}{12}K_XL^3 + \frac{1}{8}K_X^2L^2 + \frac{1}{24}c_2(X)(K_X + 3L)L.$$

Hence, by noting that  $h^0(K_X + L) > 0$ ,  $L$  is ample and  $K_X + 3L$  is nef, we see from (12) and (13) that

$$h^0(K_X + 2L) - h^0(K_X + L) \geq \frac{5}{8}L^4 + \frac{7}{12}K_XL^3 + \frac{1}{8}K_X^2L^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} & -\frac{3}{64}(9L^4 + 9K_XL^3 + 2K_X^2L^2) \\ & = \frac{13}{64}L^4 + \frac{31}{192}K_XL^3 + \frac{1}{32}K_X^2L^2 \\ & = \frac{1}{32}(K_X + L)(K_X + 4L)L^2 \\ & \quad + \frac{1}{192}(K_X + 15L)L^3 > 0. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 3.3.  $\square$

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