CHAPTER V

Numerical Kodaira dimension

We give a criterion for an \mathbb{R} -divisor to be pseudo-effective in §1 by applying the Kawamata–Viehweg vanishing theorem. In §2, we introduce two invariants, denoted by $\kappa_{\sigma}(D)$ and $\kappa_{\nu}(D)$, respectively, both of which seem to be the candidates and deserve to be called the numerical *D*-dimension for a pseudo-effective divisor *D*. Both invariants have many properties expected for numerical *D*-dimension, which we prove using the results in §1. In §3, we introduce the notion of ω -sheaves, which is useful for the study of direct images of relative pluricanonical sheaves. The notion of weak positivity introduced by Viehweg is refined also in §3. We prove some addition theorems for κ and κ_{σ} and for log-terminal pairs in §4. These are slight generalizations of Viehweg's results in [147]. In the last part of §4, we prove the abundance theorem in a special case where $\kappa_{\sigma} = 0$, as an application of the addition theorems.

§1. Pseudo-effective \mathbb{R} -divisors

§1.a. Base-point freeness.

1.1. Lemma Let Δ and D be effective \mathbb{R} -divisors without common prime components on a normal variety X and let x be a point of X.

- (1) If (X, bD) and $(X, b/(b-1)\Delta)$ are log-terminal at x for some b > 1, then $(X, D + \Delta)$ is log-terminal at x.
- (2) Suppose that X is non-singular at x and $\operatorname{mult}_x \Delta < 1$. Then (X, Δ) is log-terminal at x.
- (3) Suppose that X is non-singular at x, (X, bD) is log-terminal at x, and $\operatorname{mult}_x \Delta < (b-1)/b$ for some b > 1. Then $(X, \Delta + D)$ is log-terminal at x.

PROOF. (1) Let $f: Y \to X$ be a bimeromorphic morphism from a non-singular variety such that the union of the exceptional locus $G = \sum G_i$, the proper transform D_Y of D, and the proper transform Δ_Y of Δ is a simple normal crossing divisor. Then we can write

$$K_{Y} = f^{*}(K_{X} + bD) + \sum a_{i}G_{i} - bD_{Y} = f^{*}\left(K_{X} + \frac{b}{b-1}\Delta\right) + \sum c_{i}G_{i} - \frac{b}{b-1}\Delta_{Y}$$

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