

BOREL-LE POTIER DIAGRAMS—CALCULUS OF THEIR COHOMOLOGY BUNDLES

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Abstract. We compute the E_2 -term of Borel's spectral sequence for certain holomorphic fibrations. Among some of the applications considered are the representation of automorphic cohomology of a flag domain, and the derivation of new cohomology vanishing theorems for certain compact projective varieties.

1. Introduction. In this paper we consider diagrams $E \rightarrow X \rightarrow Y$ where $X \rightarrow Y$ is a holomorphic fibre bundle (with compact fibre F) and $E \rightarrow X$ is a holomorphic vector bundle; the problem then is to relate the Dolbeault cohomology of X with coefficients in E to suitable cohomologies of Y and F . For general E there does not seem to be any way of achieving this for the space $H^{p,q}(X, E)$ with $p > 0$ in a manner accessible to explicit computation. However if E is assumed to be locally trivial over Y the problem is more tractable: in this case there is the (generalized) *Borel spectral sequence* relating $H_{\bar{\partial}}(Y)$ and a suitable fibre cohomology to $H_{\bar{\partial}}(X, E)$ and a convenient form of the E_2 -term of this spectral sequence (or, more accurately, family of spectral sequences) can be found by the techniques of [1], [3], [12], [13] and [14]. In all generality the E_2 -terms are determined by holomorphic vector bundles $H^{r,s}(E)$, associated with $E \rightarrow X$, whose fibres are suitable (r, s) -cohomologies of the fibres of $X \rightarrow Y$; for $p = 0$ one concludes the bundles $H^{r,s}(E)$ "represent" the direct images of the sheaf $\mathcal{O}(E)$ which thus are locally free.

The "cohomology bundles" $H^{r,s}(E)$ thus are crucial for the description of the E_2 -terms of the Borel spectral sequence and merit some attention; we present the calculation of such bundles in some important special cases and also indicate some applications. As an example if X and Y are homogeneous spaces of a Lie group G and if $E \rightarrow X$ is a homogeneous vector bundle, it is locally trivial over Y and the cohomology bundles $H^{r,s}(E)$ are homogeneous as well. This interesting fact has, among others, the following application: Let $\mathcal{Y}_D \rightarrow M_D$ be the linear deformation space of a maximal compact subvariety of a flag domain D . In [26] Wells and Wolf show that under suitable conditions M_D is a Stein manifold and establish a representation of the automorphic cohomology of D (with

respect to a discrete subgroup Γ) in the space of Γ -invariant holomorphic sections of a certain bundle over M_D , cf. [26, Theorem 3.4.7]. We show below that if L is the stabilizer of the compact subvariety Y , then this bundle over M_D can be described as an associated vector bundle of a canonical principal L -bundle $A \rightarrow M_D$, induced by the action of L on the cohomology of Y . In a sense, this result is “best possible” since it is known that, in general, M_D is not a quotient of Lie groups.

In Section 4, we investigate the “transform” of H^r ’s under a discontinuous action of a group Γ on a diagram $E \rightarrow X \rightarrow Y$; when E is trivial over Y , this “transform” is determined by an automorphic factor which we compute explicitly in Theorem 4.4.

In Section 5, this result is combined with the Borel-Bott-Weil theorem and results of [27], [28] to derive new vanishing theorems for the cohomology of compact normal projective varieties $\Gamma \backslash G_0/T$; here G_0 is a connected, non-compact semi-simple Lie group, T is a Cartan subgroup of G_0 contained in some maximal compact subgroup $K \subset G_0$ such that G_0/K is Hermitian symmetric, and finally Γ is a discrete subgroup of G_0 acting freely on G_0/K . Theorems 5.24 and 5.27 are the main results of this paper which also subsumes a note announced in [3] as “Construction of cohomology bundles in the case of an open real orbit in a complex flag manifold”.

2. Borel-Le Potier diagrams. Let X, Y be complex manifolds and assume that $\pi: X \rightarrow Y$ is a holomorphic fibre bundle with compact fibre F . Moreover let $E \rightarrow X$ be a holomorphic vector bundle (with fibre E) with projection σ . One says that E is locally trivial over Y if there exists a holomorphic vector bundle $E_0 \rightarrow F$ (with fibre E) such that $\pi \circ \sigma: E \rightarrow Y$ is a holomorphic fibre bundle with fibre E_0 and group $GL(E_0)$, the group of all holomorphic automorphisms of E_0 (i.e., all fibrewise linear biholomorphisms $E_0 \rightarrow E_0$); it is known that $GL(E_0)$ is a complex Lie group, cf. e.g., [13]. In this case,

$$(2.1) \quad E \rightarrow X \rightarrow Y$$

will be called a *Borel-Le Potier diagram* (BL-diagram). More explicitly this means that each $y \in Y$ has an open neighbourhood U over which there is a holomorphic trivialization $\phi_U: \pi^{-1}(U) \cong U \times F$ which is covered by a holomorphic isomorphism ψ_U of the vector bundle $E|_{\pi^{-1}(U)}$ onto $U \times E_0$:

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} E|_{\pi^{-1}(U)} & \xrightarrow{\psi_U} & U \times E_0 \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \pi^{-1}(U) & \xrightarrow{\phi_U} & U \times F \\ & \searrow & \swarrow \\ & U & \end{array}$$

the diagram commutes and ψ_U is fibrewise linear. The following are some examples:

(i) Given $\pi: X \rightarrow Y$, a holomorphic bundle with compact fibre, and the holomorphic vector bundle $W \rightarrow Y$, $\pi^*W \rightarrow X \rightarrow Y$ is a BL-diagram; this is the case originally considered in [1].

(ii) Let H be a complex Lie group, $L \subset H$ a closed complex subgroup and suppose that $\rho: Z \rightarrow Y$ is a holomorphic principal H -bundle. Set $X = Z/L$ and suppose that X has a complex structure such that the natural map $\sigma: Z \rightarrow X$ is a holomorphic principal L -bundle. Lastly, assume that H/L is compact. The natural map $\pi: X \rightarrow Y$ then yields a holomorphic bundle with fibre H/L such that $\pi \circ \sigma = \rho$. If $\lambda: H \rightarrow \text{GL}(E)$ is a finite-dimensional holomorphic representation, then we can form the holomorphic vector bundles $E_\lambda = Z \times_H E \rightarrow X$ and $E_0 = H \times_L E \rightarrow H/L$. Under these conditions

$$(2.3) \quad E_\lambda \rightarrow X \rightarrow Y$$

is a BL-diagram: If $U \subset Y$ is a sufficiently small open set, there is a holomorphic section $s: U \rightarrow Z$ of ρ and this section is used to construct both ϕ_U and ψ_U in the following manner: For $(z, e) \in Z \times E$ and $(h, e) \in H \times E$ let $[z, e], [h, e]$ be their respective equivalence classes in E_λ, E_0 . Then set $\phi_U^{-1}(y, hH) = \sigma(s(y)h)$ for $(y, h) \in U \times H$; this yields a trivialization of $Z|U = \rho^{-1}(U)$. A covering isomorphism ψ_U in the sense of (2.2) then is obtained by setting $\psi_U^{-1}(y, [h, e]) = (\phi_U^{-1}(y, hH), [s(y)h, e])$.

(iii) Let $P \subset \text{SL}(4, C) = G$ be the parabolic subgroup defined by $a_{21} = a_{31} = a_{41} = a_{32} = a_{42} = 0$; let $V = \text{SU}(2, 2) \cap P = S(U(1) \times U(1) \times U(2))$ and $K = S(U(2) \times U(2))$, so that K is a maximal compact subgroup of the real form $G_0 = \text{SU}(2, 2)$ of G . Set $F_{12}^+ = G_0/V$, $M^+ = G_0/K$; thus there is the "double fibration"

$$P_3^+ \xleftarrow{\alpha} F_{12}^+ \xrightarrow{\beta} M^+$$

where $P_3^+ \subset P_3(C)$ is the "projective twister space", of importance in mathematical physics in connection with the so-called Penrose transform, cf. [24] for some details. Let $H \rightarrow P_3^+$ be the restriction of the hyperplane bundle of $P_3(C)$. Then it can be shown that for every integer m $\alpha^*H^m \rightarrow F_{12}^+ \rightarrow M^+$ is a BL-diagram.

(iv) We shall give more examples later (Sections 3 and 4). Another interesting example is used by Fisher in the study of the cohomology of compact complex manifolds, cf. [4].

In the situation of (2.1) we also write X_y for the fibre $\pi^{-1}(y)$ at y . With this set for each pair of natural numbers (r, s)

$$(2.4) \quad H^{r,s}(E) = \bigcup_y H^{r,s}(X_y, E|X_y).$$

Here $H^{r,s}$ denotes the (bundle-valued) Dolbeault cohomology of type (r, s) . Since $X_y = F$ is compact these cohomologies all are finite-dimensional and one can prove the following:

THEOREM 2.5. *$H^{r,s}(E)$ is a holomorphic vector bundle over Y with fibre $H^{r,s}(F, E_0)$, associated with the bundle $\pi: X \rightarrow Y$.*

Explicit local trivializations will be indicated below; cf. also [1], [3], [13]. The importance of these "cohomology bundles" lies in their use in the computation of the E_2 -terms of the Borel spectral sequence for the $\bar{\partial}$ -cohomology of holomorphic fibre bundles with compact fibre; in brief the spectral sequence is obtained as follows: Let $A^{p,q}(X, E)$ be the space of smooth E -valued forms of type (p, q) on X . This space has a natural decreasing filtration "in terms of base forms": one defines $F^r A^{p,q}(X, E)$ to be the space of those (p, q) -forms which may be written as finite sums of forms of the type $\pi^* \alpha \wedge \beta$ with $\alpha \in A^{a,b}(Y)$, $\beta \in A^{c,d}(X, E)$ such that $a + c = p$, $b + d = q$ and $a + b \geq r$. Then $F^r A^{p,q} \supset F^{r+1} A^{p,q}$ and $\bar{\partial}(F^r A^{p,q}) \subset F^r A^{p,q+1}$. If one fixes p , one thus obtains a decreasing filtration of $A^{p,\cdot}(X, E) = \bigoplus_q A^{p,q}(X, E)$ which is compatible with $\bar{\partial}$ and is regular, etc. Accordingly, one obtains a spectral sequence $({}^p E_r^{s,t})$ which converges to the $\bar{\partial}$ -cohomology $H^{p,\cdot}(X, E)$. The main result, due to Borel in the case $E = \pi^* W$ and to Le Potier in the more general case, is the following:

THEOREM 2.6. *Let $E \rightarrow X \rightarrow Y$ be a Borel-Le Potier diagram as in (2.1). For each $p \geq 0$ the E_2 -term of the Borel spectral sequence is given by*

$$(2.7) \quad {}^p E_2^{s,t} = \bigoplus_i H^{i,s-i}(Y, H^{p-i,t+i}(E)).$$

For $p = 0$ in particular, one obtains ${}^0 E_2^{s,t} = H^{0,s}(Y, H^{0,t}(E)) = H^s(Y, \mathcal{O}(H^{0,t}(E)))$ where $\mathcal{O}(\dots)$ denotes the sheaf of holomorphic sections. Now for $p = 0$ the Borel spectral sequence coincides with the Leray sequence and one can show that $\mathcal{O}(H^{0,t}(E)) \cong R^t \pi_* (\mathcal{O}(E))$, establishing that these direct image sheaves here are locally free; we omit all details and refer instead to [1], [12], [14] for more information—including the case $p > 0$ where the Borel sequence no longer is the Leray sequence of any "standard" locally free sheaf over X .

In the situation of Example (ii) above more can be said about the cohomology bundles: Again E_0 is the homogeneous vector bundle $H \times_L E$ over $F = H/L$. In particular H acts on the cohomology $H^{r,s}(F, E_0)$ "by left translations" and one now shows that $H^{r,s}(E_2)$ is associated with the

principal H -bundle $Z \rightarrow Y$ under this action of H :

$$(2.8) \quad H^{r,s}(E) = Z \times_H H^{r,s}(F, E_0).$$

This yields:

COROLLARY 2.9. *With the notations of Example (ii), for each $p \geq 0$ there is a spectral sequence $({}^p E_r^{s,t})$ which converges to $H^{p,\cdot}(Z/L, E_\lambda)$ and whose E_2 -term is given by*

$$(2.10) \quad {}^p E_2^{s,t} = \bigoplus_i H^{i,s-i}(Z/H, Z \times_H H^{p-i,t+i}(H/L, E_0))$$

where $E_0 = H \times_L E$.

This corollary generalizes an earlier theorem of Bott [2] to the case $p \geq 0$. In [4], Fisher obtains a result similar to (2.8) and uses it in conjunction with (2.7) to generalize the classical Mumford-Matsushima vanishing theorem for line bundle cohomologies on a torus (cf. also [15], [18]).

REMARK. Given a diagram (2.2), the restrictions $\phi_{U,y} = \phi_U|_{X_y}: X_y \rightarrow F$ and $\psi_{U,y}: E|_{X_y} \rightarrow E_0$ induce isomorphisms $H^{r,s}(F, E_0) \cong H^{r,s}(X_y, E|_{X_y})$ in an obvious way and these isomorphisms yield a holomorphic trivialization of the cohomology bundle $H^{r,s}(E)$ over $U \subset Y$.

3. Remarks on a representation theorem of Wells and Wolf. In their paper [26], Wells and Wolf establish—among other things!—some conjectures of Griffiths ([6], [7]) on the geometric representation of certain *automorphic cohomologies*; cf. also [8], [22], [23], [25]. The framework is the following:

If D is a period domain or, more generally, a flag domain and $Y \subset D$ is a maximal compact subvariety of dimension s then there is a diagram

$$(3.1) \quad M_D \xleftarrow{\pi} \mathcal{Y}_D \xrightarrow{\tau} D$$

where τ is holomorphic, $\pi: \mathcal{Y}_D \rightarrow M_D$ is a holomorphic fibre bundle with fibre Y ; M_D is the space of linearly deformed compact subvarieties of dimension s . Wells and Wolf prove the (difficult!) result that M_D is a *Stein manifold* provided that D has compact isotropy, D being a homogeneous space $D = G_0/V$, cf. below. They then establish their *principal representation theorem*: For non-degenerate homogeneous vector bundles $E_\lambda = G_0 \times_{\nu\lambda}$ over $D = G_0/V$, there exists a Fréchet injection

$$(3.2) \quad H^s(D, \mathcal{O}(E_\lambda)) \rightarrow H^0(M_D, R^s \pi_*(\mathcal{O}(\tau^* E_\lambda))).$$

In this assertion λ is an irreducible unitary representation of V ; cf.

[26, Theorem 3.4.7]. The injection is G_0 -equivariant and thus permits the representation of automorphic cohomology with respect to a discrete subgroup of G_0 .

In this section we show that

$$(3.3) \quad \tau^*E_\lambda \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}_D \rightarrow M_D$$

is, in fact, a BL-diagram; since the fibre Y is compact this amounts to showing that τ^*E_λ is locally trivial over M_D . We then indicate how to compute the cohomology bundles $H^{r,s}(\tau^*E_\lambda)$. Furthermore, the direct image sheaf $R^s\pi_*(\tau^*E_\lambda)$ is locally free and coincides with $\mathcal{O}(H^{0,s}(\tau^*E_\lambda))$; this yields an explicit description of the right-hand side of (3.2).

Some of the details are the the following: G is a connected complex semi-simple Lie group, $P \subset G$ a parabolic subgroup and G_0 a non-compact real form of G . We assume once and for all that $V = G_0 \cap P$ is compact.

If one chooses maximal compact subgroups \tilde{M}, K of G, G_0 , respectively, such that $V \subset K \subset \tilde{M}$, then $V = K \cap P = \tilde{M} \cap P$, the real orbit $G_0 \cdot 0$ of the neutral coset $0 \in G/P$ is open in the complex flag manifold $X = G/P$ and thus $D = G_0/V = G_0 \cdot 0$ inherits a complex structure. \tilde{M}/V and K/V also possess complex structures, being equal to G/P and $K^c/K^c \cap P$, respectively.

Finally, if $\lambda: V \rightarrow GL(E)$ is an irreducible unitary representation, it extends uniquely to an irreducible holomorphic representation of P and it follows that the homogeneous vector bundles $G_0 \times_V E \rightarrow D, K \times_V E \rightarrow K/V$ inherit holomorphic structures as holomorphic pull-backs from $G_0 \cdot 0$ and $K^c/K^c \cap P$.

We put $Y = K \cdot 0 \subset D, A = \{a \in G \mid aY \subset D\} (=G_c\{D\})$ in the notations of [26]) $L = \{a \in G \mid aY = Y\} \subset A$, a closed complex Lie subgroup of G , and we let $\sigma: G \rightarrow G/L, \beta: G \rightarrow G/L \cap P$ be the natural maps (which are holomorphic principal bundles). Now A is open in $G, AL = A$; furthermore setting

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{aligned} M &= M_D = \sigma A \subset G/L \quad (\text{open}) \\ \mathcal{Y} &= \mathcal{Y}_D = \beta A \subset G/L \cap P \quad (\text{open}); \end{aligned}$$

it is clear that e.g., $\sigma^{-1}(M) = A$ and we conclude that $\sigma|_A: A \rightarrow M$ is a holomorphic principal L -bundle. Similarly, $\beta^{-1}(\mathcal{Y}) = A$ and $\beta|_A: A \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$ is a holomorphic principal $(L \cap P)$ -bundle. If $\varepsilon: G/L \cap P \rightarrow G/L$ is the natural fibration, $\varepsilon^{-1}(M) = \mathcal{Y}$ and the fibration $\varepsilon|_{\mathcal{Y}}: \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow M$ is the linear deformation space of Y .

Setting $\tilde{A} = A/L \cap P$, let $\pi_2: A \rightarrow \tilde{A}$ be the quotient map. It then

is clear that the map $\beta a \rightarrow \pi_2 a, a \in A$, identifies \tilde{A} and \mathcal{Y} and also that $\pi_2: A \rightarrow \tilde{A}$ is a holomorphic principal $(L \cap P)$ -bundle. We are thus in the situation of Example (ii) of Section 2 (with $H = L, L = L \cap P, Z = A$, etc.) and any holomorphic representation λ of $L \cap P$ on a finite-dimensional vector space E yields a BL-diagram

$$(3.5) \quad \tilde{E}_\lambda \rightarrow \tilde{A} \rightarrow M$$

where $\pi: \tilde{A} \rightarrow M = A/L$ again is the natural map. If we set $E_0 = L \times_{L \cap P} E$, then the cohomology bundles of (3.5) are given by

$$H^{r,s}(\tilde{E}_\lambda) = A \times_L H^{r,s}(L/L \cap P, E_0).$$

In the applications λ will be the restriction to $L \cap P$ of a holomorphic representation of P .

By the very definition of A the natural map $\tau: G/L \cap P \rightarrow X = G/P$ restricts to a map $\tau: \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow D(\tau\beta a = a \cdot 0$ for $a \in A$). Let also $i: D \rightarrow X$ be the inclusion. A direct, albeit somewhat lengthy computation then yields the following:

THEOREM 3.6. *Let $\tilde{\lambda}$ be a holomorphic representation of P on the finite dimensional vector space E and $E_{\tilde{\lambda}} = G \times_P E$ the corresponding homogeneous vector bundle over $X = G/P$. Set $\lambda = \tilde{\lambda}|_{L \cap P}$ and let $\tilde{E}_\lambda \rightarrow A$ be the induced bundle. Then, under the bundle isomorphism of $\varepsilon: \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow M$ onto $\pi: \tilde{A} \rightarrow M$ mentioned above, the diagram*

$$(3.7) \quad \tau^* E_{\tilde{\lambda}} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow M$$

is isomorphic to

$$\tilde{E}_\lambda \rightarrow A \rightarrow M.$$

In particular (3.7) is a BL-diagram (as claimed in (3.3)) and its cohomology bundle of type (r, s) is given by

$$(3.8) \quad H^{r,s}(\tau^* E_{\tilde{\lambda}}) = A \times_L H^{r,s}(L/L \cap P, E_0)$$

where $E_0 = L \times_{L \cap P} E$.

One concludes that the E_2 -term of the Leray spectral sequence of (3.7) is given by ${}^0 E_2^{s,t} = H^{0,s}(M, A \times_L H^{0,t}(L/L \cap P, E_0))$. Since we assume V to be compact, the main result of [26, Section 2.5] asserts that M is a Stein manifold; accordingly, the spectral sequence degenerates: ${}^0 E_2^{s,t} = 0$ for $s > 0$ and we see that

$$(3.9) \quad H^{0,q}(\mathcal{Y}, \tau^* E_{\tilde{\lambda}}) \cong H^{0,0}(M, A \times_L H^{0,q}(L/L \cap P, E_0))$$

for $q \geq 0$.

Suppose, in particular, that $\tilde{\lambda}$ is the holomorphic extension to P of an irreducible unitary representation of V in E and let $E_\lambda = G_0 \times_{\nu} E$ be the corresponding homogeneous bundle over D with the holomorphic structure described earlier. Then if E_λ is non-degenerate in the sense of [26], the results of Schmid [21] imply that $H^q(D, E_\lambda) = 0$ for $q \neq s = \dim Y$ and that the induced map

$$(3.10) \quad H^s(D, E_\lambda) \rightarrow H^s(\mathcal{Z}, \tau^* E_\lambda)$$

is a Fréchet injection. Lastly, one has to argue that (3.9) is an isomorphism of Fréchet spaces (using the open mapping theorem as in [26]). (3.10) and (3.9) then imply the representation theorem (3.2).

As a by-product one obtains the following:

COROLLARY 3.11. *Let $\pi^{0,s}$ be the representation of L on $H^{0,s}(L/L \cap P, E_0)$ induced by left multiplication. Then the space $H^0(M_D, R^s \pi_*(\mathcal{O}(\tau^* E_\lambda)))$ of (3.2) coincides with the space of all maps*

$$f: A \rightarrow H^{0,s}(L/L \cap P, E_0)$$

satisfying the conditions:

- (i) f is holomorphic
- (ii) $f(al) = \pi^{0,s}(l^{-1})f(a)$ for $(a, l) \in A \times L$.

4. Discontinuous group actions and automorphic factors. Let $E \rightarrow X \rightarrow Y$ be a BL-diagram and suppose that the group Γ acts freely and properly discontinuously on E, X and Y such that $\pi: X \rightarrow Y$ and $\sigma: E \rightarrow X$ are equivariant and that the action on E is fibrewise linear. We then show that $\Gamma \backslash E \rightarrow \Gamma \backslash X \rightarrow \Gamma \backslash Y$ again is a BL-diagram and we relate the cohomologies of the two diagrams. In the special case where E is globally trivial over Y (i.e., $E = X \times E_0, X = Y \times F$ in the earlier notations), the cohomology bundles of the quotient diagram are determined by an automorphic factor which we compute below; applications will follow in Section 5.

First of all, we recall some well-known results (which, in any case, are easily verified): Let X be a complex manifold and Γ a group acting on X , say on the left, by holomorphic maps: $\Gamma \times X \rightarrow X$ maps (γ, x) to γx and $x \rightarrow \gamma x$ is holomorphic; the group Γ is considered to be discrete. The action is properly discontinuous (p.d., for short) if for each compact set $K \subset X$, the set of $\gamma \in \Gamma$ with $\gamma K \cap K \neq \emptyset$ is finite. If Γ acts freely and properly discontinuously, then the quotient $\Gamma \backslash X$ is a complex manifold in a natural way such that the quotient map $q: X \rightarrow \Gamma \backslash X$ is a holomorphic submersion (and is, in fact, locally biholomorphic).

Let $E \rightarrow \Gamma \backslash X$ be a holomorphic vector bundle with fibre E such that

$X \times E \cong q^*E$ and let ϕ be a fixed such trivialization. Since $(q^*E)_x = E_{q(x)} = E_{q(\gamma x)} = (q^*E)_{\gamma x}$, the trivialization induces the linear maps $\phi_{\gamma x}^{-1} \circ \phi_x$ of E , denoted by $j(\gamma, x)$. Clearly $j(\gamma, x) \in \text{GL}(E)$ and $x \rightarrow j(\gamma, x)$ is holomorphic. Moreover $j(\gamma\delta, x) = j(\gamma, \delta x) \cdot j(\delta, x)$ for $\gamma, \delta \in \Gamma$ and $x \in X$: j is an *automorphic factor* $\Gamma \times X \rightarrow \text{GL}(E)$. In turn j defines a left operation of Γ on $X \times E$ by: $\gamma \cdot (x, e) = (\gamma x, j(\gamma, x)e)$ and one shows that $E \cong \Gamma \backslash (X \times E)$ as a vector bundle over $\Gamma \backslash X$. The action of Γ on $X \times E$ is automatically free and p.d. and we also denote $\Gamma \backslash (X \times E)$ by $E(j)$.

REMARKS. Given the automorphic factor $j: \Gamma \times X \rightarrow \text{GL}(E)$ and a holomorphic map $h: X \rightarrow \text{GL}(E)$, $j_h(\gamma, x) = h(\gamma x) \circ j(\gamma, x) \circ h(x)^{-1}$ defines another automorphic factor and we see that $E(j_h) \cong E(j)$ — and conversely.

The holomorphic sections of $E(j)$ coincide with those holomorphic functions $f: X \rightarrow E$ which satisfy $f(\gamma x) = j(\gamma, x)f(x)$ for $(\gamma, x) \in \Gamma \times X$ (=holomorphic automorphic forms).

One now obtains the following basic result:

THEOREM 4.1. *Let $E \rightarrow X \rightarrow Y$ be a BL-diagram, $\sigma: E \rightarrow X$ and $\pi: X \rightarrow Y$ the projections. Suppose that the group Γ acts on the left on E , X and Y by holomorphic maps such that*

- (a) *the actions are free and properly discontinuous;*
- (b) *the maps σ, π are equivariant;*
- (c) *the action on E is fibrewise linear.*

Then there are induced maps $\tilde{\sigma}: \Gamma \backslash E \rightarrow \Gamma \backslash X$ and $\tilde{\pi}: \Gamma \backslash X \rightarrow \Gamma \backslash Y$ such that

$$\Gamma \backslash E \rightarrow \Gamma \backslash X \rightarrow \Gamma \backslash Y$$

is a BL-diagram. Moreover the cohomology bundles of the two diagrams are related by

$$(4.2) \quad q^*H^{r,s}(\Gamma \backslash E) \cong H^{r,s}(E)$$

with $q: Y \rightarrow \Gamma \backslash Y$ the natural map.

In the proof one uses the following fact: each $y \in Y$ has an open neighbourhood U such that $\gamma U \cap U = \emptyset$ for $\gamma \neq 1$ and then $U \rightarrow q(U)$ is biholomorphic. This shows, e.g., that $\tilde{\pi}: \Gamma \backslash X \rightarrow \Gamma \backslash Y$ is a holomorphic fibre bundle with fibre F (=fibre of $X \rightarrow Y$). Similar arguments then imply that $\Gamma \backslash E$ is a holomorphic vector bundle over $\Gamma \backslash X$ with fibre E , the fibre of E and that it is also locally trivial over $\Gamma \backslash Y$ with fibre E_0 . The verifications are straightforward and are omitted here.

Let $p: X \rightarrow \Gamma \backslash X$ be the natural projection. Then $p_y = p|X_y$ maps

the fibre $X_y = \pi^{-1}(y)$ biholomorphically onto $\tilde{\pi}^{-1}(q(y)) \subset \Gamma \setminus X$ and is covered by a bundle isomorphism $E|X_y \rightarrow \Gamma \setminus E| \tilde{\pi}^{-1}(q(y))$; thus it induces an isomorphism p_y^* of $H^{r,s}(\Gamma \setminus E)_{q(y)}$ onto $H^{r,s}(E)_y$ since these simply are fibre cohomologies. The maps p_y^* yield the isomorphism (4.2).

Next we consider the case where the basic diagram (2.1) simply is $E = X \times E_0 \rightarrow Y \times F \rightarrow Y$ where E_0 is a holomorphic vector bundle; in other words E is globally trivial over Y with fibre E_0 . In this case $H^{r,s}(E)$ is the trivial bundle $Y \times H^{r,s}(F, E_0)$. (4.2) therefore yields an isomorphism

$$(4.3) \quad \phi: Y \times H^{r,s}(F, E_0) \cong q^* H^{r,s}(\Gamma \setminus E).$$

Accordingly, there is an automorphic factor $j_\phi: \Gamma \times Y \rightarrow GL(H^{r,s}(F, E_0))$ such that $H^{r,s}(\Gamma \setminus E) \cong E(j_\phi)$ and the following theorem determines j_ϕ :

Observe, firstly, that the action of Γ on $X = Y \times F$ necessarily is of the form $\gamma \cdot (y, f) = (\gamma y, I(\gamma, y)f)$, $f \rightarrow I(\gamma, y)f$ holomorphic in f (and also in y). By assumption Γ acts on E by bundle automorphisms covering this action on $Y \times F$ and this implies that the holomorphic automorphism $I(\gamma, y)$ of F is covered by an automorphism $\tilde{I}(\gamma, y)$ of E_0 ; $y \rightarrow \tilde{I}(\gamma, y)$ still is holomorphic. Accordingly, there are induced automorphisms of the vector spaces $H^{r,s}(F, E_0)$, denoted by $I(\gamma, y)^*$. With these notations:

THEOREM 4.4. *The automorphic factor j_ϕ derived from (4.3) is given by*

$$(4.5) \quad j_\phi(\gamma, y) = (I(\gamma, y)^{-1})^* = I(\gamma^{-1}, y)^*$$

for $(\gamma, y) \in \Gamma \times Y$. *The cohomology bundles $H^{r,s}(E)$ are the trivial bundles $Y \times H^{r,s}(F, E_0)$ and*

$$(4.6) \quad H^{r,s}(\Gamma \setminus E) = \Gamma \setminus (Y \times H^{r,s}(F, E_0))$$

where Γ acts on the product by $\gamma \cdot (y, h) = (\gamma y, I(\gamma^{-1}, \gamma y)^* h)$.

Once again the proof is straightforward and will not be reproduced here.

5. Vanishing theorem for projective varieties $\Gamma \setminus G_0 \setminus T$. Let G_0 be a connected non-compact semi-simple Lie group admitting a faithful finite-dimensional representation; G_0 is a real form of a connected semi-simple complex Lie group G . We assume here that G is simply connected.

Let $K \subset G_0$ be a maximal compact subgroup such that G_0/K has a G_0 -invariant complex structure (thus is a Hermitian symmetric space). Since G_0 and K now have the same rank, we can choose a Cartan subgroup T of G_0 such that $T \subset K$; G, G_0 and K satisfy the assumptions of Section 3.

Let \mathfrak{g} , \mathfrak{k} and \mathfrak{t} be the complexifications of the Lie algebras \mathfrak{g}_0 , \mathfrak{k}_0 and \mathfrak{t}_0 of G_0 , K and T , respectively, and for a Cartan decomposition $\mathfrak{g}_0 = \mathfrak{k}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{p}_0$, set $\mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{p}_0^{\mathbb{C}}$; here $\mathfrak{p}_0 = \mathfrak{k}_0^{\perp}$ with respect to the Killing form (\cdot, \cdot) of \mathfrak{g}_0 . Let Δ be the set of non-zero roots of $(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{t})$ and let Δ_n, Δ_k be the sets of those roots $\alpha \in \Delta$ whose root spaces \mathfrak{g}_{α} satisfy $\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha} \subset \mathfrak{p}$ respectively $\mathfrak{g}_{\alpha} \subset \mathfrak{k}$ (compact, non-compact roots). Choose a system of positive roots compatible with the complex structure of G_0/K , i.e., such that the following holds: If $\Delta_n^+ = \Delta^+ \cap \Delta_n$ and if $\mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{p}^+ \oplus \mathfrak{p}^-$ is the splitting of the complexified tangent space at $0 \in G_0/K$ induced by the complex structure, then

$$(5.1) \quad \mathfrak{p}^{\pm} = \Sigma\{\mathfrak{g}_{\pm\alpha} \mid \alpha \in \Delta_n^+\}.$$

The compatibility condition on Δ^+ may be rephrased as follows: Every non-compact root $\alpha \in \Delta^+$ is *totally positive*: this means that if $\beta \in \Delta_k$ is such that $\alpha + \beta \in \Delta$, then in fact $\alpha + \beta \in \Delta_n^+$. Equivalently one can say that \mathfrak{p}^{\pm} are K -stable abelian subalgebras.

With $\Delta_k^+ = \Delta^+ \cap \Delta_k$, set $\mathfrak{h}_k = \mathfrak{t} \oplus \Sigma\{\mathfrak{g}_{-\alpha} \mid \alpha \in \Delta_k^+\}$, $\mathfrak{u} = \mathfrak{k} \oplus \mathfrak{p}^-$, $\mathfrak{b} = \mathfrak{k} \oplus \Sigma\{\mathfrak{g}_{-\alpha} \mid \alpha \in \Delta^+\}$, and let now K^c, P^{\pm}, U, B_k and B be the closed complex subgroups of G corresponding to these Lie algebras. $B_k \subset K^c$ is a Borel subgroup such that $K \cap B_k = T$, $B_k = K^c \cap B$ and we set

$$(5.2) \quad F = K/T = K^c/B_k;$$

in the notations of Section 3, $V = T$ for the choice $P = B$. The following is fundamental:

THEOREM 5.3. (Harish-Chandra [9], [19], [31]). *The subgroups K^c, P^{\pm} and U are closed in G and P^{\pm} are simply connected. The exponential maps $\mathfrak{p}^{\pm} \rightarrow P^{\pm}$ are diffeomorphisms, K^c normalizes P^{\pm} and $U = K^c P^-$, a semi-direct product, is a parabolic subgroup of G such that $G_0 \cap U = K$. The map $(x, k, y) \rightarrow (\exp x)k(\exp y)$ of $\mathfrak{p}^+ \times K^c \times \mathfrak{p}^-$ into G is a biholomorphism onto a dense open subset $\Omega = P^+ K^c P^-$ in G containing G_0 . Given $a \in \Omega$ let*

$$(5.4) \quad a = a^+ k(a) a^-$$

be the corresponding decomposition, $k(a) \in K^c$. In particular, $(ak)^+ = a^+$, $k(ak) = k(a)k$ for $a \in \Omega, k \in K^c$. Then the map $\zeta: \Omega \rightarrow \mathfrak{p}^+$ given by

$$(5.5) \quad \zeta(a) = \log(a^+)$$

induces a biholomorphism of G_0/K onto $\zeta(G_0)$; $\zeta(G_0)$ is a bounded domain in \mathfrak{p}^+ .

Now set $Y = G_0/K$ and define $J: G_0 \times Y \rightarrow K^c$, following Satake [16], [20], by

$$(5.6) \quad J(a, y) = k(a \exp \zeta(y)) ;$$

one has $J(ab, y) = J(a, by)J(b, y)$ for $a, b \in G_0$ and letting $0 = 1K$ be the neutral coset, $J(a, 0) = k(a)$, in particular: $J(k, 0) = k$. $J(a, y)$ is C^∞ in (a, y) and holomorphic in y and is called the *canonical automorphic factor* of Y . If moreover $\tau: K^c \rightarrow GL(E)$ is a holomorphic representation, we set $j_\tau = \tau \circ J$ and obtain what is called the canonical automorphic factor "of type τ " ([16]).

With the notations introduced above, $B \subset G$ is a Borel subgroup such that $G_0 \cap B = T$; hence G_0/T inherits a complex structure as the open (real) orbit $G_0 \cdot 0 \subset G/B$. Similarly, the complex structure of $Y = G_0/K$ is the one of the orbit $G_0 \cdot 0 \subset G/U$.

From [10; Lemma 2], one obtains the following:

PROPOSITION 5.7. *The map $\phi(aT) = (aK, J(a, 0)B_k) = (aK, k(a)B_k)$ of G_0/T onto $Y \times F$ is biholomorphic and the action of G_0 on G_0/T transforms into the following action on $Y \times F$:*

$$(5.8) \quad a(y, f) = (ay, J(a, y)f) .$$

Since the argument in [10] appears to be somewhat incomplete we include a proof of the assertion: ϕ is injective since $K \cap B_k = T$ and $k(ak) = k(a)k$ for $a \in G_0, k \in K$. Next, $k(a)^{-1}kB_k \in F$ for $a \in G_0, k \in K^c$ and so we can write $k(a)^{-1}k = k_0b_0$ with $k_0 \in K, b_0 \in B_k$. With this $\phi(ak_0T) = (ak, kB_k)$ and ϕ is surjective. Using once more that $J(a, 0)k_0 = k(a)k_0 = kb_0^{-1}$, one derives (5.8) by a direct computation. Note also that ϕ certainly is C^∞ .

Next, by the definition of the holomorphic structure of G_0/T , ϕ^{-1} will be holomorphic if and only if the composite map $(aK, kB_k) \rightarrow ak_0B \in G_0 \cdot 0 \subset G/B$ is holomorphic. Since $B_k \subset B$ and K^c normalizes $P^- \subset B$, we have $ak_0B = ak(a)^{-1}kB = a^+kB$ (cf. Theorem 5.3) and by (5.5), $aK \rightarrow a^+$ is holomorphic and, of course, so is $kB_k \rightarrow kB$. Accordingly, $(aK, kB_k) \rightarrow a^+kB$ is holomorphic and maps $Y \times F$ to $G_0 \cdot 0 \subset G/B$; hence ϕ^{-1} is holomorphic. Thus ϕ is a diffeomorphism such that ϕ^{-1} is holomorphic and, therefore, ϕ itself is holomorphic. This completes the argument.

Now we fix a C^∞ character λ of T and form the line bundle $L_\lambda = G_0 \times_{\tau} C \rightarrow G_0/T$; since λ extends uniquely to a holomorphic character of B , L_λ has the structure of a holomorphic line bundle over G_0/T (" $\subset G/B$ "). Also define $E_0 = K^c \times_{B_k} C \rightarrow F = K^c/B_k$. Then:

PROPOSITION 5.9. *Let again $Y = G_0/K$. Then $L_\lambda \rightarrow G_0/T \rightarrow Y$ is a BL-diagram with cohomology bundles $H^{r,s}(L_\lambda) = Y \times H^{r,s}(F, E_0)$.*

For the proof, observe first of all that the map ϕ of Proposition 5.7

is a global trivialization of the holomorphic bundle $G_0/T \rightarrow Y$. We define a map ψ from L_λ to $F \times E_0$ covering ϕ by

$$(5.10) \quad \psi([a, z]) = (aK, [k(a), z])$$

for $(a, z) \in G_0 \times C$. Since λ extends to B_k and $k(at) = k(a)t$ for $a \in G_0$, $t \in T$, ψ is well-defined. A simple verification shows that ψ is a fibrewise linear bijection and it is obvious that ψ covers ϕ . There still remains to be shown that ψ is holomorphic, in which case it will be a biholomorphic bundle isomorphism.

The point here is to show that $[a, z] \rightarrow [k(a), z]$ is holomorphic from L_λ to E_0 since $[a, z] \rightarrow aT \rightarrow aK$ clearly is holomorphic. Now the representation λ extends up to B and therefore E_0 is the bundle induced on F by the bundle $G \times_B C \rightarrow G/B$ under the natural map $F = K^c/B_k \rightarrow G/B$. On the other hand, if $j: G_0/T \rightarrow G/B$ again is the natural map, the definition of L_λ shows that this bundle is holomorphically isomorphic to $j^*(G \times_B C)$; explicitly, these bundle isomorphisms are given by

$$i([k, z]) = (kB_k, [k, z]), \quad (k, z) \in K^c \times C,$$

for E_0 , and

$$j([a, z]) = (aT, [a, z]), \quad (a, z) \in G_0 \times C,$$

for L_λ .

Now the map $[a, z] \rightarrow k(a)B_k$ is the composition $[a, z] \rightarrow aT \rightarrow \phi(aT) = (aK, k(a)B_k) \rightarrow k(a)B_k$ and thus is holomorphic. There remains the map $[a, z] \rightarrow [k(a), z]: P^- \subset [B, B]$ implies $\lambda(P^-) = 1$ and so in $G \times_B C$, one has $[k(a), z] = [(a^+)^{-1}a, z]$ where a^+ again is defined as in Theorem 5.3; by the same theorem, this is holomorphic in $[a, z]$ since it is holomorphic in aK . With this, the proposition is established.

COROLLARY 5.11. *Under the isomorphism $\psi: L_\lambda \cong Y \times E_0$ the action of G_0 on L_λ transforms into the action $a \cdot (y, [k, z]) = (ay, [J(a, y)k, z]) := (ay, J(a, y)[k, z])$ for $a \in G_0$, $y \in Y$, $(k, z) \in K^c \times C$.*

In order to mention explicitly the representations involved in their construction, it will again be convenient to denote homogeneous bundles such as L_λ , E_0 , etc., by $K^c \times_{B_k} \lambda$, $G_0 \times_T \lambda$, etc.

Given $k \in K^c$, let l_k denote left translation by k in $F = K^c/B_k$ as well as, e.g., in E_0 . With this, we set

$$(5.12) \quad I(a, y) = l_{J(a, y)}: F \rightarrow F; \quad \tilde{I}(a, y) = l_{J(a, y)}: E_0 \rightarrow E_0$$

for $(a, y) \in G_0 \times Y$. It is clear that $\tilde{I}(a, y)$ is a bundle map over $I(a, y)$. If $l_k^*: H^{r,s}(F, E_0) \rightarrow H^{r,s}(F, E_0)$ is the induced action, then the representation

$\pi^{r,s}$ of K^c in $H^{r,s}(F, E_0)$ is given by $\pi^{r,s}(k) = l_{k^{-1}}^*$.

Recall that G_0 acts on $Y \times F$ by $a(y, f) = (ay, I(a, y)f)$. Let now Γ be a discrete subgroup of G_0 which acts freely on $G_0/K = Y$. Then the action of G_0 restricts to a free and p.d. action of Γ on $Y \times F$ and the same holds for the action on $Y \times E_0$; the projections $Y \times E_0 \rightarrow Y \times F$ and $Y \times F \rightarrow Y$ are Γ -equivariant. Thus, all the assumption of Theorem 4.4 are satisfied and, since $(I(\gamma, y)^{-1})^* = \pi^{r,s}(I(\gamma, y)) = j_{\pi^{r,s}}(\gamma, y)$, one has:

THEOREM 5.13. $\Gamma \setminus L_\lambda \rightarrow \Gamma \setminus G_0/T \rightarrow \Gamma \setminus Y$ is a BL-diagram and its cohomology bundle of type (r, s) is $H^{r,s}(\Gamma \setminus L_\lambda) = \Gamma \setminus (Y \times H^{r,s}(F, E_0))$ where Γ acts by $\gamma \cdot (y, h) = (\gamma y, j_{\pi^{r,s}}(\gamma, y)h)$.

An equivalent description of $H^{r,s}(\Gamma \setminus L_\lambda)$ may be obtained as follows: Suppose that $\tau: K \rightarrow GL(E)$ is a finite dimensional representation of K in the complex vector space E ; τ extends holomorphically to K^c and then to $U = K^c P^-$ by requiring that $\tau|P^- = 1$. Using [16], [17] and [19], one concludes that the bundles $E(j_\tau| \Gamma \times Y)$ and $\Gamma \setminus (G \times_{\nu\tau})|Y$ are holomorphically equivalent where the restriction to Y of $G \times_{\nu\tau}$ is taken with respect to the Borel embedding $Y = G_0/K \rightarrow G_0 \cdot 1U \subset G/U$. With this we have:

COROLLARY 5.14. $H^{r,s}(\Gamma \setminus L_\lambda) = \Gamma \setminus (G \times_{\nu\pi^{r,s}})|Y$.

Applying Theorem 2.6, we obtain:

COROLLARY 5.15. Under the assumptions of Theorem 5.13 there is for each $p \geq 0$ a spectral sequence $({}^p E_2^{s,t})$ which converges to $H^{p,s}(\Gamma \setminus G_0/T, \Gamma \setminus L_\lambda)$ and whose E_2 -term is

$$(5.16) \quad {}^p E_2^{s,t} = \bigoplus_i H^{i,s-i}(\Gamma \setminus Y, \Gamma \setminus (G \times_{\nu\pi^{p-i,t+i}})|Y).$$

In particular ${}^0 E_2^{s,t} = H^{0,s}(\Gamma \setminus Y, \Gamma \setminus (G \times_{\nu\pi^{0,t}})|Y)$.

Next, the Borel-Weil theorem [11] implies that the representations $\pi^{0,t}$ vanish for all t except $t = q_0$, an integer determined by λ and described in detail below. Thus we conclude:

COROLLARY 5.16.

$$H^{0,q}(\Gamma \setminus G_0/T, \Gamma \setminus L_\lambda) = H^{0,q-q_0}(\Gamma \setminus Y, \Gamma \setminus (G \times_{\nu\pi^{0,q_0}})|Y)$$

for every q ; cf. also (5.18) below.

This result was first established by Ise [10, Proposition 8] under the additional assumption that $\Gamma \setminus Y$ is compact; we do not require this restriction here.

Next we investigate when the spaces in Corollary 5.16 vanish: Identify λ with an integral element λ in the dual t^* of t , i.e., a linear

form λ such that

$$2 \frac{(\lambda, \alpha)}{(\alpha, \alpha)} \in \mathbf{Z}, \quad \alpha \in \Delta;$$

recall that $(,)$ denotes the Killing form of \mathfrak{g} . Also set $2\delta = \Sigma_{\Delta^+} \alpha$, $2\delta_k = \Sigma_{\Delta_k^+} \alpha$, $2\delta_n = \Sigma_{\Delta_n^+} \alpha = 2\delta - 2\delta_k$ and let W_k be the subgroup of the Weyl group W of $(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{t})$ generated by the compact root reflections. Since Δ^+ is compatible with the complex structure of G_0/K , one knows that $w\Delta_n^+ = \Delta_n^+$ for $w \in W_k$ and $(\delta_n, \alpha) = 0$ for $\alpha \in \Delta_k^+$. A linear form $\eta \in \mathfrak{t}^*$ is said to be Δ -regular (Δ_k -regular) if $(\eta, \alpha) \neq 0$ for $\alpha \in \Delta$ ($\alpha \in \Delta_k$). With this, we define $F'_0 \subset \mathfrak{t}^*$ and $P^{(\Delta)} \subset \Delta$ as follows: $\lambda \in F'_0$ if and only if λ is integral, $\lambda + \delta$ is Δ -regular and

$$(5.17) \quad (\lambda + \delta, \alpha) > 0 \text{ for } \alpha \in \Delta_k^+; \lambda \in P^{(\Delta)} \text{ for } \alpha \in \Delta \text{ if and only if } (\lambda + \delta, \alpha) > 0 \text{ whenever } \lambda + \delta \text{ is } \Delta\text{-regular.}$$

Thus $P^{(\Delta)}$ is a system of positive roots corresponding to the Δ -regular element $\lambda + \delta$. The Borel-Weil theorem states that $\pi^{0, \lambda}$ vanishes for all λ if there is $\alpha \in \Delta_k^+$ such that $(\lambda + \delta_k, \alpha) = 0$; if this is not the case, then $\lambda + \delta_k$ is Δ_k^+ -regular and the value of q_0 in Corollary 5.16 is

$$(5.18) \quad q_0 = |\{\alpha \in \Delta_k^+ \mid (\lambda + \delta_k, \alpha) < 0\}| = |w(-\Delta_k^+) \cap \Delta_k^+|$$

where $w \in W_k$ is the unique element such that $(w(\lambda + \delta_k), \alpha) > 0$ for every $\alpha \in \Delta_k^+$ and where $|s|$ denotes the cardinality of the set s .

Moreover π^{0, q_0} is an irreducible representation of K with Δ_k^+ -highest weight

$$(5.19) \quad \tau(\lambda, w) := w(\lambda + \delta_k) - \delta_k.$$

With the above choice of w it is a straightforward computation to prove:

PROPOSITION 5.20. $\tau(\lambda, w) \in F'_0$ if and only if $\lambda + \delta$ is Δ -regular. In this case $P^{(\tau(\lambda, w))} = wP^{(\lambda)}$.

At this point we nearly are in a position to apply some results of [27] and [28] to obtain vanishing theorems for the spaces $H^{0, q}(\Gamma \backslash G_0/T, \Gamma \backslash L_1)$; however some additional notation will be needed:

Let λ be integral and such that $\lambda + \delta$ is Δ -regular. Given (w_1, τ) in $W \times W_k$, we define:

$$(5.21) \quad \begin{aligned} Q_\lambda &= \{\alpha \in \Delta_n^+ \mid (\lambda + \delta, \alpha) > 0\}, \quad P_n^{(\lambda)} = P^{(\lambda)} \cap \Delta_n, \\ 2\delta^{(\lambda)} &= \Sigma\{\alpha \mid \alpha \in P^{(\lambda)}\}, \\ \Phi_{w_1}^{(\lambda)} &= w_1(-P^{(\lambda)}) \cap P^{(\lambda)}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_\tau^k &= \tau(-\Delta_k^+) \cap \Delta_k^+, \\ A_{\lambda, \tau, w_1} &= \{\alpha \in P_n^{(\lambda)} \mid w_1^{-1} \tau \alpha \in -P^{(\lambda)}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Assume now that $\Gamma \setminus Y$ is compact. In this case, the main theorem [28, Theorem 4.3] applies to the right-hand side of Corollary 5.16. Among other things this theorem states that if π_λ is an irreducible K -module with Δ_k^+ -highest weight $\lambda \in F'_0$ and if $H^{0,q}(\Gamma \setminus Y, \Gamma \setminus (G \times_{\nu} \pi_\lambda) \mid Y) \neq 0$, then there is a pair $(w_1, \tau) \in W \times W_k$ such that

$$(5.22) \quad q = |A_{\lambda, \tau, w_1}| - 2|Q_\lambda \cap A_{\lambda, \tau, w_1}| + |Q_\lambda|.$$

One has $\Delta_k^+ \subset w_1 P^{(\lambda)}$, $A_{\lambda, \tau, w_1} = \Phi_{\tau^{-1}w_1}^{(\lambda)} - \Phi_\tau^k$ and $\tau(\delta + \delta - \delta^{(\lambda)}) = w_1(\lambda + \delta - \delta^{(\lambda)}) = \lambda + \delta - \delta^{(\lambda)}$; also, A_{λ, τ, w_1} , $\Phi_{w_1}^{(\lambda)}$ and $\{\alpha \in P_n^{(\lambda)} \mid \tau \alpha \in -P_n^{(\lambda)}\}$ are contained in $\{\alpha \in P_n^{(\lambda)} \mid (\lambda + \delta - \delta^{(\lambda)}, \alpha) = 0\}$, with $\Phi_{\tau^{-1}}^k \subset \{\alpha \in \Delta_k^+ \mid (\lambda + \delta - \delta^{(\lambda)}, \alpha) = 0\}$.

We now assume that $\lambda \in \mathfrak{t}^*$ is integral and such that $\lambda + \delta$ is Δ -regular; one notes that $\lambda + \delta_k$ is Δ_k^+ -regular, so that the Borel-Weil theorem gives the highest weight $\tau(\lambda, w)$ of (5.19) and Proposition 5.20 yields $\tau(\lambda, w) \in F'_0$ as well as $P^{(\tau(\lambda, w))} = wP^{(\lambda)}$. One concludes that $P_n^{(\tau(\lambda, w))} = wP_n^{(\lambda)}$ and hence that

$$(5.23) \quad A_{\tau(\lambda, w), \tau, w_1} = wA_{\lambda, \tau w, w_1 w}.$$

Similar arguments show that $Q_{\tau(\lambda, w)} = wQ_\lambda$, $\tau(\lambda, w) + \delta - \delta^{(\tau(\lambda, w))} = w(\lambda + \delta - \delta^{(\lambda)})$, $\Phi_{w_1}^{(\tau(\lambda, w))} = w_1 w(-P^{(\lambda)}) \cap wP^{(\lambda)}$. Hence Corollary 5.16 and the equation (5.22) yield:

THEOREM 5.24. *Let $\lambda \in \mathfrak{t}^*$ be integral, $L_\lambda \rightarrow G_0/T$ the corresponding holomorphic line bundle. Suppose that the discrete subgroup $\Gamma \subset G_0$ acts freely on $Y = G_0/K$ such that $\Gamma \setminus Y$ is compact. If $\lambda + \delta_k$ is not Δ_k^+ -regular, then $H^{0,q}(\Gamma \setminus G_0/T, \Gamma \setminus L_\lambda) = 0$ for every q . On the other hand if $\lambda + \delta$ is Δ -regular then $\lambda + \delta_k$ is Δ_k^+ -regular and there is a unique element $w \in W_k$ such that $(w(\lambda + \delta_k), \alpha) > 0$ for every $\alpha \in \Delta_k^+$. Then for every q*

$$H^{0,q}(\Gamma \setminus G_0/T, \Gamma \setminus L_\lambda) = H^{0,q-q_0}(\Gamma \setminus Y, \Gamma \setminus (G \times_{\nu} \pi^{0,q_0}) \mid Y)$$

where π^{0,q_0} is the representation of K with Δ_k^+ -highest weight $w(\lambda + \delta_k) - \delta_k$ and q_0 is given by (5.18). If $H^{0,q}(\Gamma \setminus G_0/T, \Gamma \setminus L_\lambda) \neq 0$ there is a pair $(w_1, \tau) \in W \times W_k$ such that the following hold:

- (i) $q = q_0 + |A_{\lambda, \tau w, w_1 w}| - 2|Q_\lambda \cap A_{\lambda, \tau w, w_1 w}| + |Q_\lambda|$;
- (ii) $\Delta_k^+ \subset w_1 w P^{(\lambda)}$, $wA_{\lambda, \tau w, w_1 w} = \tau^{-1} w_1(-P^{(\lambda)}) \cap (wP^{(\lambda)} - \Phi_{\tau^{-1}}^k)$, $\tau w(\lambda + \delta - \delta^{(\lambda)}) = w_1 w(\lambda + \delta - \delta^{(\lambda)}) = w(\lambda + \delta - \delta^{(\lambda)})$, $\Phi_{\tau^{-1}}^k \subset \{\alpha \in \Delta_k^+ \mid (w(\lambda + \delta - \delta^{(\lambda)}), \alpha) = 0\}$;
- (iii) $wA_{\lambda, \tau w, w_1 w}$, $w_1 w(-P^{(\lambda)}) \cap wP^{(\lambda)}$ and $\{\alpha \in wP_n^{(\lambda)} \mid \tau \alpha \in -wP_n^{(\lambda)}\}$ are contained in $\{\alpha \in P_n^{(\lambda)} \mid (w(\lambda + \delta - \delta^{(\lambda)}), \alpha) = 0\}$.

Because of its generality this theorem—like [28, Theorem 4.3]—has several corollaries of which we mention the following:

Firstly, assume that $(\lambda + \delta - \delta^{(2)}, \alpha) \neq 0$ for every $\alpha \in P_n^{(2)}$. By (iii), one has $A_{\lambda, \tau w, w_1 w} = \emptyset$ and so (i) gives $q = q_0 + |Q_\lambda|$:

COROLLARY 5.25. *If λ is integral, $\lambda + \delta$ is Δ -regular and $(\lambda + \delta - \delta^{(2)}, \alpha)$ is $\neq 0$ for every $\alpha \in P_n^{(2)}$, then $H^{0,q}(\Gamma \backslash G_0/T, \Gamma \backslash L_\lambda) = 0$ for $q \neq q_0 + |Q_\lambda|$.*

Next suppose that λ is Δ_k^+ -dominant. Then we must have $w = 1$ and so $q_0 = 0$. If moreover $(\lambda + 2\delta, \alpha) < 0$ for $\alpha \in \Delta_n^+$, one finds that $Q_\lambda = \emptyset$ and $(\lambda + \delta - \delta^{(2)}, \alpha) < 0$ for $\alpha \in \Delta_n^+ = -P_n^{(2)}$; this yields the following known result:

COROLLARY 5.26. *If λ is Δ_k^+ -dominant integral and $(\lambda + 2\delta, \alpha) < 0$ for $\alpha \in \Delta_n^+$, then $H^{0,q}(\Gamma \backslash G_0/T, \Gamma \backslash L_\lambda) = 0$ for $q \neq 0$.*

This result can also be obtained directly from the Kodaira vanishing theorem. Another specialization of λ leads to the following result:

THEOREM 5.27. *Let λ be integral such that $\lambda + \delta$ is Δ -regular and suppose that $P^{(2)}$ is compatible with an invariant complex structure on $Y = G_0/K$ (cf. the beginning of this section). If $H^{0,q}(\Gamma \backslash G_0/T, \Gamma \backslash L_\lambda) \neq 0$, there exists a parabolic subalgebra $\theta = \mathfrak{r} \oplus \mathfrak{u}$ of \mathfrak{g} , \mathfrak{r} the reductive and \mathfrak{u} the unipotent part of θ , such that if $\theta_{u,n}$ denotes the set of non-compact roots in \mathfrak{u} and $\Delta(\mathfrak{r})$ the set of all roots in \mathfrak{r} , then*

(i) $q = q_0 + 2|\theta_{u,n} \cap wQ| + |\Delta_n^+ - wQ| - |\theta_{u,n}|$ with q_0, w as in Theorem 5.24;

(ii) θ contains the Borel subalgebra $\mathfrak{t} + \Sigma\{g_\alpha | \alpha \in wP^{(2)}\}$;

(iii) $(w(\lambda + \delta - \delta^{(2)}), \alpha) = 0$ for $\alpha \in \Delta(\mathfrak{r})$.

The result follows from Proposition 5.20, the calculation in (5.23), and [27, Theorems 5.24 and 2.3], once one observes that since $P^{(\tau(\lambda, w))} = wP_n^{(2)}$ and $w \in W_k$, every non-compact root in $P^{(\tau(\lambda, w))}$ actually is totally positive.

A very simple application of Theorem 5.27 is the following: Assume that λ actually is Δ^+ -dominant. Then $P^{(2)} = \Delta^+$ (so that every non-compact root in $P^{(2)}$ is totally positive), $\delta^{(2)} = \delta$, $w = 1$, $q_0 = 0$, $Q_\lambda = \Delta_n^+$, $\theta_{u,n} = wP^{(2)} - \Delta(\mathfrak{r}) = \Delta_n^+ - \Delta(\mathfrak{r}) \subset \Delta_n^+$; hence by (i) of Theorem 5.27, $q = 2|\theta_{u,n}| - |\theta_{u,n}| = |\theta_{u,n}|$.

COROLLARY 5.28. *If λ is Δ^+ -dominant integral and if $H^{0,q}(\Gamma \backslash G_0/T, \Gamma \backslash L_\lambda) \neq 0$, then $q = |\theta_{u,n}|$ for some parabolic subalgebra $\theta = \mathfrak{r} \oplus \mathfrak{u} \subset \mathfrak{g}$ containing $\mathfrak{t} + \Sigma_{\Delta^+} g_\alpha$.*

Moreover $(\lambda, \Delta(\mathfrak{r})) = 0$. If G_0 is simple then the set of numbers $|\theta_{u,n}|$

for θ such that $\theta \supset \mathfrak{t} + \Sigma_{\Delta^+} g_\alpha$ is determined completely in [27, Table 3.4]. In particular $H^{0,q}(G_0/T, \Gamma \backslash L_\lambda) = 0$ for $q < |\{\alpha \in \Delta_k^+ | (\lambda, \alpha) > 0\}|$.

We conclude with some (more or less known) remarks about the cohomology of G_0/T :

By Proposition 5.9 and the fact that the spectral sequence ${}^0E_r^{s,t}$ degenerates since $Y = G_0/K$ is Stein, we obtain:

THEOREM 5.29. *With the above notations, for any integral λ and all $q \geq 0$*

$$(i) \quad H^{0,q}(G_0/T, L_\lambda) \cong H^{0,0}(Y, Y \times H^{0,q}(F, E_0)) \cong H^{0,0}(Y) \otimes H^{0,q}(F, E_0).$$

Hence if there is $\alpha \in \Delta_k^+$ such that $(\lambda + \delta_k, \alpha) = 0$ then by the Borel-Weil theorem $H^{0,q}(G_0/T, L_\lambda) = 0$ for all q . If $\lambda + \delta_k$ is Δ_k -regular let w, q_0 be as in Theorem 5.24. Then $H^{0,q}(G_0/T, L_\lambda) = 0$ for $q \neq q_0$ and $H^{0,q_0}(G_0/T, L_\lambda) \cong H^{0,0}(Y) \otimes H^{0,q_0}(F, E_0)$ where $H^{0,q_0}(F, E_0)$ is an irreducible K -module with Δ_k^+ -highest weight $w(\lambda + \delta_k) - \delta_k$.

COROLLARY 5.30. *In particular suppose that $(\lambda + \delta_k, \alpha) < 0$ for $\alpha \in \Delta_k^+$. Then $q_0 = |\Delta_k^+| = s = \dim_c K/T$ and hence $H^{0,q}(G_0/T, L_\lambda) = 0$ for $q \neq s$.*

Equation (i) of Theorem 5.29 may be regarded as a Hermitian version of the representation formula (3.2): in the present situation the fibration $\mathcal{Z}_D \rightarrow M_D$ of (3.1) collapses to $G_0/T \rightarrow G_0/K$ by [26, Proposition 2.4.7].

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