

# Calculations of sectional classes of special polarized manifolds

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In this note, we will calculate the  $i$ th sectional class  $\text{cl}_i(X, L)$  of some special polarized manifolds  $(X, L)$ .

## 1 Preliminaries

Here we are going to calculate the  $i$ th sectional class  $\text{cl}_i(X, L)$  of some special polarized manifolds  $(X, L)$  with  $n = \dim X \geq 3$  by using its  $i$ th sectional Euler number  $e_i(X, L)$  (see [4, Definition 3.1 (1)]).

**Definition 1.1** Let  $(X, L)$  be a polarized manifold of dimension  $n$ . Then for every integer  $i$  with  $0 \leq i \leq n$  the  $i$ th sectional class of  $(X, L)$  is defined by the following.

$$\text{cl}_i(X, L) := \begin{cases} e_0(X, L), & \text{if } i = 0, \\ (-1)\{e_1(X, L) - 2e_0(X, L)\}, & \text{if } i = 1, \\ (-1)^i\{e_i(X, L) - 2e_{i-1}(X, L) + e_{i-2}(X, L)\}, & \text{if } 2 \leq i \leq n. \end{cases}$$

**Definition 1.2** Let  $(X, L)$  be a polarized manifold of dimension  $n$ .

(i) The *deficiency* of  $(X, L)$  is defined by the following.

$$\text{def}(X, L) := \min\{i \mid 0 \leq i \leq n, \text{cl}_{n-i}(X, L) \neq 0\}$$

(ii) The *codegree* of  $(X, L)$  is defined by the following.

$$\text{codeg}(X, L) := \text{cl}_{n-k}(X, L),$$

where  $k = \text{def}(X, L)$ .

**Notation 1.1** (1) Let  $(X, L)$  be a hyperquadric fibration over a smooth curve  $C$ . We put  $\mathcal{E} := f_*(L)$ . Then  $\mathcal{E}$  is a locally free sheaf of rank  $n + 1$  on  $C$ . Let  $\pi : \mathbb{P}_C(\mathcal{E}) \rightarrow C$  be the projective bundle. Then  $X \in |2H(\mathcal{E}) + \pi^*(B)|$  for some  $B \in \text{Pic}(C)$  and  $L = H(\mathcal{E})|_X$ , where  $H(\mathcal{E})$  is the tautological line bundle of  $\mathbb{P}_C(\mathcal{E})$ . We put  $e := \deg \mathcal{E}$  and  $b := \deg B$ .

(2) (See [2, (13.10) Chapter II].) Let  $(M, A)$  be a  $\mathbb{P}^2$ -bundle over a smooth curve  $C$  and  $A|_F = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(2)$  for any fiber  $F$  of it. Let  $f : M \rightarrow C$  be the fibration and  $\mathcal{E} := f_*(K_M + 2A)$ . Then  $\mathcal{E}$  is a locally free sheaf of rank 3 on  $C$ , and  $M \cong \mathbb{P}_C(\mathcal{E})$  such that  $H(\mathcal{E}) = K_M + 2A$ . In this case,  $A = 2H(\mathcal{E}) + f^*(B)$  for a line bundle  $B$  on  $C$ , and by the canonical bundle formula  $K_M = -3H(\mathcal{E}) + f^*(K_C + \det \mathcal{E})$ . Here we set  $e := \deg \mathcal{E}$  and  $b := \deg B$ .

**Definition 1.3** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a vector bundle on a smooth projective variety  $X$ . Then for every integer  $j$  with  $j \geq 0$ , the  $j$ th Segre class  $s_j(\mathcal{F})$  of  $\mathcal{F}$  is defined by the following equation:  $c_t(\mathcal{F}^\vee)s_t(\mathcal{F}) = 1$ , where  $\mathcal{F}^\vee := \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{O}_X)$ ,  $c_t(\mathcal{F}^\vee)$  is the Chern polynomial of  $\mathcal{F}^\vee$  and  $s_t(\mathcal{F}) = \sum_{j \geq 0} s_j(\mathcal{F})t^j$ .

**Remark 1.1** (a) Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a vector bundle on a smooth projective variety  $X$ . Let  $\tilde{s}_j(\mathcal{F})$  be the  $j$ th Segre class which is defined in [7, Chapter 3]. Then  $s_j(\mathcal{F}) = \tilde{s}_j(\mathcal{F}^\vee)$ .  
(b) For every integer  $i$  with  $1 \leq i$ ,  $s_i(\mathcal{F})$  can be written by using the Chern classes  $c_j(\mathcal{F})$  with  $1 \leq j \leq i$ . (For example,  $s_1(\mathcal{F}) = c_1(\mathcal{F})$ ,  $s_2(\mathcal{F}) = c_1(\mathcal{F})^2 - c_2(\mathcal{F})$ , and so on.)

## 2 Calculations

**Example 2.1** (i) The case where  $(X, L)$  is  $(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1))$ .  
Then by [6, Example 3.1] we have

$$\text{cl}_i(X, L) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } i = 0, \\ 0, & \text{if } i \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

(ii) The case where  $(X, L)$  is  $(\mathbb{Q}^n, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{Q}^n}(1))$ .

Then by [6, Example 3.2] we have  $\text{cl}_i(X, L) = 2$  for  $0 \leq i \leq n$ . In this case,  $\text{def}(X, L) = 0$  and  $\text{codeg}(X, L) = 2$ .

(iii) The case where  $(X, L)$  is  $(\mathbb{P}^4, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^4}(2))$ .

Then by [6, Example 3.3] we have

$$\text{cl}_i(X, L) = \begin{cases} 16, & \text{if } i = 0, \\ 40, & \text{if } i = 1, \\ 40, & \text{if } i = 2, \\ 20, & \text{if } i = 3, \\ 5, & \text{if } i = 4. \end{cases}$$

In this case,  $\text{def}(X, L) = 0$  and  $\text{codeg}(X, L) = 5$ .

(iv) The case where  $(X, L)$  is  $(\mathbb{Q}^3, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{Q}^3}(2))$ .

Then by [6, Example 3.4] we have

$$\text{cl}_i(X, L) = \begin{cases} 16, & \text{if } i = 0, \\ 40, & \text{if } i = 1, \\ 40, & \text{if } i = 2, \\ 20, & \text{if } i = 3. \end{cases}$$

In this case,  $\text{def}(X, L) = 0$  and  $\text{codeg}(X, L) = 20$ .

(v) The case where  $(X, L)$  is  $(\mathbb{P}^3, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^3}(3))$ .

Then by [6, Example 3.5] we have

$$\text{cl}_i(X, L) = \begin{cases} 27, & \text{if } i = 0, \\ 72, & \text{if } i = 1, \\ 72, & \text{if } i = 2, \\ 32, & \text{if } i = 3. \end{cases}$$

In this case,  $\text{def}(X, L) = 0$  and  $\text{codeg}(X, L) = 32$ .

(vi) The case where  $(X, L)$  is a Veronese fibration over a smooth curve  $C$ .

Here we use Notation 1.1 (2). Then by [6, Example 3.6] we have

$$\text{cl}_i(X, L) = \begin{cases} 8e + 12b, & \text{if } i = 0, \\ 20e + 28b, & \text{if } i = 1, \\ 36e + 47b, & \text{if } i = 2, \\ 41e + 52b, & \text{if } i = 3. \end{cases}$$

First we note that

$$8e + 12b = L^3 \quad (1)$$

$$2g(C) - 2 + e + 2b = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$g(X, L) = 1 + 2e + 2b \quad (3)$$

Here we set  $L^3 = 4m$ . Then  $m$  is an integer with  $m \geq 1$ . We see from (1) and (2) that  $b = 4(1 - g(C)) - m$  and  $e = 6(g(C) - 1) + 2m$ . Therefore

$$\text{cl}_1(X, L) = 20e + 28b = 12m + 8(g(C) - 1) > 0.$$

Next we consider  $\text{cl}_2(X, L)$ . Then

$$\text{cl}_2(X, L) = 36e + 47b = 25m + 28(g(C) - 1).$$

If  $g(C) = 0$  and  $m = 1$ , then we have  $e = -4$  and  $b = 3$ . But then by (3) we have  $g(X, L) = -1 < 0$  and this is impossible. Hence  $g(C) \geq 1$  or  $m \geq 2$ , and we get

$$\text{cl}_2(X, L) \geq 25m + 28(g(C) - 1) \geq 22.$$

Finally we consider  $\text{cl}_3(X, L)$ . Then

$$\text{cl}_3(X, L) = 41e + 52b = 30m + 38(g(C) - 1).$$

By the same argument as above, the case where  $g(C) = 0$  and  $m = 1$  does not occur. Hence  $g(C) \geq 1$  or  $m \geq 2$ , and we get

$$\text{cl}_3(X, L) \geq 30m + 38(g(C) - 1) \geq 22.$$

Therefore  $\text{def}(X, L) = 0$  and  $\text{codeg}(X, L) = 30m + 38(g(C) - 1)$ .

(vii) The case where  $(X, L)$  is a Del Pezzo manifold with  $n = \dim X \geq 3$ .

Here we note that by [2, (8.11) Theorem], we have  $L^n \leq 8$  and  $(X, L)$  is one of the following:

(vii.1)  $(X, L) \cong (\mathbb{P}^3, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^3}(2))$ .

Then by [6, Example 3.7 (3.7.1)] we have

$$\text{cl}_i(X, L) = \begin{cases} 8, & \text{if } i = 0, \\ 16, & \text{if } i = 1, \\ 12, & \text{if } i = 2, \\ 4, & \text{if } i = 3. \end{cases}$$

In this case,  $\text{def}(X, L) = 0$  and  $\text{codeg}(X, L) = 4$ .

(vii.2)  $X$  is the blowing up of  $\mathbb{P}^3$  at a point and  $L = \pi^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^3}(2)) - E$ , where  $\pi : X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^3$  is its birational morphism and  $E$  is the exceptional divisor. Then by [6, Example 3.7 (3.7.2)] we have

$$\text{cl}_i(X, L) = \begin{cases} 7, & \text{if } i = 0, \\ 14, & \text{if } i = 1, \\ 12, & \text{if } i = 2, \\ 4, & \text{if } i = 3. \end{cases}$$

In this case,  $\text{def}(X, L) = 0$  and  $\text{codeg}(X, L) = 4$ .

(vii.3)  $(X, L)$  is either

$$(\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1, \otimes_{i=1}^3 p_i^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(1)), (\mathbb{P}^2 \times \mathbb{P}^2, \otimes_{i=1}^2 p_i^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(1)) \text{ or } (\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(T_{\mathbb{P}^2}), H(T_{\mathbb{P}^2}))$$

where  $p_i$  is the  $i$ th projection and  $T_{\mathbb{P}^2}$  is the tangent bundle of  $\mathbb{P}^2$ .

(vii.3.1) The case where  $(X, L) \cong (\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1, \otimes_{i=1}^3 p_i^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(1))$ .

Then by [6, Example 3.7 (3.7.3.1)] we have

$$\text{cl}_i(X, L) = \begin{cases} 6, & \text{if } i = 0, \\ 12, & \text{if } i = 1, \\ 12, & \text{if } i = 2, \\ 4, & \text{if } i = 3. \end{cases}$$

In this case,  $\text{def}(X, L) = 0$  and  $\text{codeg}(X, L) = 4$ .

(vii.3.2) The case where  $(X, L) \cong (\mathbb{P}^2 \times \mathbb{P}^2, \otimes_{i=1}^2 p_i^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(1))$ .

Then by [6, Example 3.7 (3.7.3.2)] we have

$$\text{cl}_i(X, L) = \begin{cases} 6, & \text{if } i = 0, \\ 12, & \text{if } i = 1, \\ 12, & \text{if } i = 2, \\ 6, & \text{if } i = 3, \\ 3, & \text{if } i = 4. \end{cases}$$

In this case,  $\text{def}(X, L) = 0$  and  $\text{codeg}(X, L) = 3$ .

(vii.3.3) The case where  $(X, L) \cong (\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(T_{\mathbb{P}^2}), H(T_{\mathbb{P}^2}))$ .

Then by [6, Example 3.7 (3.7.3.3)] we have

$$\text{cl}_i(X, L) = \begin{cases} 6, & \text{if } i = 0, \\ 12, & \text{if } i = 1, \\ 12, & \text{if } i = 2, \\ 6, & \text{if } i = 3. \end{cases}$$

In this case,  $\text{def}(X, L) = 0$  and  $\text{codeg}(X, L) = 6$ .

(vii.4) The case where  $(X, L)$  is a linear section of the Grassmann variety  $\text{Gr}(5, 2)$  parametrizing lines in  $\mathbb{P}^4$ , embedded in  $\mathbb{P}^9$  via the Plücker embedding. Then  $3 \leq n \leq 6$  and  $L^n = 5$ .

By [6, Example 3.7 (3.7.4)] we have

$$\text{cl}_i(X, L) = \begin{cases} 5, & \text{if } i = 0, \\ 10, & \text{if } i = 1, \\ 12, & \text{if } i = 2, \\ 10, & \text{if } i = 3, \\ 5, & \text{if } i = 4 \text{ and } 4 \leq n \leq 6, \\ 0, & \text{if } i = 5 \text{ and } 5 \leq n \leq 6, \\ 0, & \text{if } i = 6 \text{ and } n = 6. \end{cases}$$

In this case, if  $n = 6$  (resp. 5, 4, 3), then  $\text{def}(X, L) = 2$  (resp. 1, 0, 0) and  $\text{codeg}(X, L) = 5$  (resp. 5, 5, 10).

(vii.5) The case where  $(X, L)$  is a complete intersection of two hyperquadrics in  $\mathbb{P}^{n+2}$ .

Then by [6, Example 3.7 (3.7.5)] we have

$$\text{cl}_i(X, L) = 4i + 4.$$

In this case,  $\text{def}(X, L) = 0$  and  $\text{codeg}(X, L) = 4n + 4$ .

(vii.6) The case where  $X$  is a hypercubic in  $\mathbb{P}^{n+1}$  and  $L = \mathcal{O}_X(1)$ .

Then by [6, Example 3.7 (3.7.6)] we have

$$\text{cl}_i(X, L) = 3 \cdot 2^i.$$

In this case,  $\text{def}(X, L) = 0$  and  $\text{codeg}(X, L) = 3 \cdot 2^n$ .

In general, the following holds by Definitions 1.1, 1.2 and [6, Lemma 3.3] (see also [8, (9) Proposition in II]).

**Proposition 2.1** *If  $X$  is a hypersurface of degree  $m$  in  $\mathbb{P}^{n+1}$ , then*

$$\text{cl}_i(X, L) = m(m-1)^i, \text{ def}(X, L) = 0 \text{ and } \text{codeg}(X, L) = m(m-1)^n.$$

(vii.7) The case where  $X$  is a double covering of  $\mathbb{P}^n$  branched along a smooth hypersurface of degree 4, and  $L$  is the pull-back of  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1)$ .

Then by [6, Example 3.7 (3.7.7)] we have

$$\text{cl}_i(X, L) = \begin{cases} 2, & \text{if } i = 0, \\ 4 \cdot 3^{i-1}, & \text{if } i \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

In this case,  $\text{def}(X, L) = 0$  and  $\text{codeg}(X, L) = 4 \cdot 3^{n-1}$ .

In general, we can prove the following by using [6, Lemma 3.4].

**Proposition 2.2** *If  $X$  is a double covering of  $\mathbb{P}^n$  branched along a smooth hypersurface of degree  $m$ , and  $L$  is the pull back of  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1)$ , then for  $i \geq 1$  we have*

$$\text{cl}_i(X, L) = m(m-1)^{i-1}, \text{ def}(X, L) = 0 \text{ and } \text{codeg}(X, L) = m(m-1)^{n-1}.$$

(vii.8) The case where  $(X, L)$  is a weighted hypersurface of degree 6 in the weighted projective space  $\mathbb{P}(3, 2, 1, \dots, 1)$ .

Then by [6, Example 3.7 (3.7.8)] we have

$$\text{cl}_i(X, L) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } i = 0, \\ 2, & \text{if } i = 1, \\ 12 \cdot 5^{i-2}, & \text{if } i \geq 2. \end{cases}$$

In this case,  $\text{def}(X, L) = 0$  and  $\text{codeg}(X, L) = 12 \cdot 5^{n-2}$ .

(viii) The case where  $(X, L)$  is a hyperquadric fibration over a smooth curve  $C$ .

Here we use notation in Notation 1.1 (1). Then by [6, Example 3.8] we have

$$\text{cl}_i(X, L) = \begin{cases} 2e + b, & \text{if } i = 0, \\ 6e + 4b + 4(g(C) - 1), & \text{if } i = 1, \\ 8e + 4ib + 4(g(C) - 1), & \text{if } i \geq 2. \end{cases}$$

Here we consider a lower bound of  $\text{cl}_i(X, L)$  for  $i \geq 1$ .

**Proposition 2.3** *Let  $(X, L)$  be a hyperquadric fibration over a smooth curve  $C$ . If  $i \geq 1$ , then  $\text{cl}_i(X, L) \geq 4$ .*

*Proof.* Then we use the following inequalities.

$$2e + b > 0 \quad (4)$$

$$2e + (n + 1)b \geq 0 \quad (5)$$

(A) First we consider the case  $i = 1$ . Then  $g(X, L) \geq 2$  holds because  $(X, L)$  is a hyperquadric fibration over a smooth curve. Hence by definition we have  $\text{cl}_1(X, L) = 2(g(X, L) + L^n - 1) \geq 4$ .

(B) Next we consider the case  $i \geq 2$ .

(B.1) If  $b < 0$ , then by (5) we have

$$\begin{aligned} 2e + ib &= 2e + (n + 1)b - (n + 1 - i)b \\ &\geq -(n + 1 - i)b \\ &\geq n + 1 - i. \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cl}_i(X, L) &= 8e + 4ib + 4(g(C) - 1) \\ &= 4(2e + ib) + 4(g(C) - 1) \\ &\geq 4(n + 1 - i) + 4(g(C) - 1) \\ &= 4(n - i) + 4g(C) \\ &\geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

If  $\text{cl}_i(X, L) = 0$ , then  $i = n$  and  $g(C) = 0$ . Then by (5) we have  $0 = \text{cl}_i(X, L) = 4(2e + (n + 1)b) - 4b - 4 \geq -4b - 4 \geq 0$  and we get  $2e + (n + 1)b = 0$  and  $b = -1$ . Since  $g(C) = 0$ , we see that  $\mathcal{E}$  can be expressed as

$$\mathcal{E} = \bigoplus_{i=0}^n \mathcal{O}(e_i).$$

We may assume that  $e_0 \leq \dots \leq e_n$ . Since  $b = -1$ , we see that  $e_0 \geq 1$  by the same argument as in the proof of [1, Lemma (3.19)]. Hence

$$e = \sum_{i=0}^n e_i \geq n + 1.$$

But this is impossible because

$$e = -\frac{(n + 1)}{2}b = \frac{(n + 1)}{2}.$$

Hence  $\text{cl}_i(X, L) > 0$  in this case.

(B.2) If  $b \geq 0$ , then by (4) we have  $2e + ib = 2e + b + (i - 1)b \geq 1 + (i - 1)b$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cl}_i(X, L) &= 8e + 4ib + 4(g(C) - 1) \\ &\geq 4(i - 1)b + 4g(C) \\ &\geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

If  $\text{cl}_i(X, L) = 0$ , then  $b = 0$  and  $g(C) = 0$ . Then we have  $\text{cl}_i(X, L) = 8e - 4$ . But since  $\text{cl}_i(X, L) = 0$ , we have  $e = \frac{1}{2}$  and this is impossible. Therefore  $\text{cl}_i(X, L) > 0$  holds in this case, too.

Since  $\text{cl}_i(X, L)$  for  $i \geq 2$  is divided by 4, we see that  $\text{cl}_i(X, L) \geq 4$ .  $\square$

Hence we see from Proposition 2.3 that  $\text{def}(X, L) = 0$  and  $\text{codeg}(X, L) = 8e + 4nb + 4(g(C) - 1)$ .

(ix) The case where  $(X, L)$  is a scroll over a smooth curve  $C$  with  $n = \dim X \geq 3$ . Then there exists an ample vector bundle  $\mathcal{E}$  on  $C$  of rank  $n$  such that  $X = \mathbb{P}_S(\mathcal{E})$  and  $L = H(\mathcal{E})$ .

Then by [6, Example 3.9] we have

$$\mathrm{cl}_i(X, L) = \begin{cases} s_1(\mathcal{E}), & \text{if } i = 0, \\ 2g(C) - 2 + 2c_1(\mathcal{E}), & \text{if } i = 1, \\ c_1(\mathcal{E}), & \text{if } i = 2, \\ 0, & \text{if } i \geq 3. \end{cases}$$

In this case,  $\mathrm{def}(X, L) = n - 2$  and  $\mathrm{codeg}(X, L) = c_1(\mathcal{E})$ .

(x) The case where  $(X, L)$  is  $(\mathbb{P}_S(\mathcal{E}), H(\mathcal{E}))$ , where  $S$  is a smooth surface and  $\mathcal{E}$  is an ample vector bundle of rank  $n - 1$ . Then by [6, Example 3.10] we have

$$\mathrm{cl}_i(X, L) = \begin{cases} s_2(\mathcal{E}), & \text{if } i = 0, \\ (s_1(\mathcal{E}) + K_S)s_1(\mathcal{E}) + 2s_2(\mathcal{E}), & \text{if } i = 1, \\ c_2(S) + 3c_1(\mathcal{E})^2 + 2K_S c_1(\mathcal{E}), & \text{if } i = 2, \\ 2c_2(\mathcal{E}) + (c_1(\mathcal{E}) + K_S)c_1(\mathcal{E}), & \text{if } i = 3, \\ c_2(\mathcal{E}), & \text{if } i = 4 \text{ and } n \geq 4, \\ 0, & \text{if } i \geq 5 \text{ and } n \geq 5. \end{cases}$$

(x.1) Assume that  $K_S + c_1(\mathcal{E})$  is not nef. Here we note that  $\mathrm{rank} \mathcal{E} \geq 2 = \dim S$ . Then by a result of [9, Theorem 1] we see that  $(S, \mathcal{E}) \cong (\mathbb{P}^2, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(1) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(1))$ . In this case,  $c_2(S) = 3$ ,  $c_1(\mathcal{E})^2 = 4$ ,  $K_S c_1(\mathcal{E}) = -6$ ,  $c_2(\mathcal{E}) = 1$ ,  $s_2(\mathcal{E}) = 3$ . So we get the following.

$$\mathrm{cl}_i(X, L) = \begin{cases} 3, & \text{if } i = 0, \\ 4, & \text{if } i = 1, \\ 3, & \text{if } i = 2, \\ 0, & \text{if } i = 3. \end{cases}$$

Hence in this case  $\mathrm{def}(X, L) = 1$  and  $\mathrm{codeg}(X, L) = 3$ .

**Remark 2.1** Here we note that if  $(S, \mathcal{E}) \cong (\mathbb{P}^2, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(1) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(1))$ , then  $(X, L) = (\mathbb{P}_S(\mathcal{E}), H(\mathcal{E}))$  is a scroll over  $\mathbb{P}^1$ .

(x.2) Next we consider the case where  $K_S + c_1(\mathcal{E})$  is nef. Then the following holds.

**Claim 2.1**  $\mathrm{cl}_i(X, L) > 0$  for every  $0 \leq i \leq \min\{4, n\}$ .

*Proof.* First of all, since  $\mathcal{E}$  is ample, we see from [7, Example 12.1.7] and Remark 1.1 that  $\mathrm{cl}_0(X, L) = s_2(\mathcal{E}) > 0$ . Next we consider the case of  $i \geq 1$ .  $(K_S + c_1(\mathcal{E}))c_1(\mathcal{E}) \geq 0$  because  $K_S + c_1(\mathcal{E})$  is nef. Moreover  $c_2(\mathcal{E}) > 0$  since  $\mathcal{E}$  is ample. Hence  $\mathrm{cl}_1(X, L) > 0$ ,  $\mathrm{cl}_3(X, L) > 0$  and  $\mathrm{cl}_4(X, L) > 0$  for  $n \geq 4$ . (Here we note that  $c_1(\mathcal{E}) = s_1(\mathcal{E})$ .) Finally we consider the case of  $\mathrm{cl}_2(X, L)$ . We note the following.

- (a) If  $\kappa(S) \geq 0$ , then  $c_2(S) \geq 0$ .
- (b) If  $\kappa(S) = -\infty$  and  $q(S) = 0$ , then  $c_2(S) \geq 3$ .
- (c) If  $\kappa(S) = -\infty$  and  $q(S) \geq 1$ , then  $c_2(S) \geq 4(1 - q(S))$ .

So if  $\kappa(S) \geq 0$  or  $\kappa(S) = -\infty$  and  $q(S) = 0$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathrm{cl}_2(X, L) &= c_2(S) + 3c_1(\mathcal{E})^2 + 2K_S c_1(\mathcal{E}) \\ &\geq c_1(\mathcal{E})^2 > 0. \end{aligned}$$

If  $\kappa(S) = -\infty$  and  $q(S) \geq 1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cl}_2(X, L) &= c_2(S) + 3c_1(\mathcal{E})^2 + 2K_S c_1(\mathcal{E}) \\ &\geq c_1(\mathcal{E})^2 + 4(g(S, c_1(\mathcal{E})) - q(S)). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\kappa(S) = -\infty$ , we have  $g(S, c_1(\mathcal{E})) \geq q(S)$  by [3, Theorem 2.1]. Therefore we get  $\text{cl}_2(X, L) \geq c_1(\mathcal{E})^2 > 0$ .  $\square$

Therefore, in this case, we get  $\text{def}(X, L) = \max\{0, 4 - n\}$  and

$$\text{codeg}(X, L) = \begin{cases} 2c_2(\mathcal{E}) + (c_1(\mathcal{E}) + K_S)c_1(\mathcal{E}), & \text{if } n = 3, \\ c_2(\mathcal{E}), & \text{if } n \geq 4. \end{cases}$$

In general, if  $X$  is a projective bundle over a smooth projective variety  $Y$  of dimension  $m$  with  $\dim X \geq 2m$  and  $L$  is the tautological line bundle  $H(\mathcal{E})$ , then we can calculate  $\text{def}(X, L)$  and  $\text{codeg}(X, L)$ .

**Proposition 2.4** *Let  $X$  be an  $n$ -dimensional projective bundle  $P_Y(\mathcal{E})$  over a smooth projective variety  $Y$  of dimension  $m$  and let  $H(\mathcal{E})$  be the tautological line bundle. Assume that  $n \geq 2m$ . Then  $\text{def}(X, H(\mathcal{E})) = n - 2m$  and  $\text{codeg}(X, H(\mathcal{E})) = c_m(\mathcal{E})$ .*

*Proof.* If  $j - 2 \geq 2m - 1$ , that is,  $j \geq 2m + 1$ , then by [5, Theorem 3.1 (3.1.1)] we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cl}_j(P_Y(\mathcal{E}), H(\mathcal{E})) &= (-1)^j (e_j(P_Y(\mathcal{E}), H(\mathcal{E})) - 2e_{j-1}(P_Y(\mathcal{E}), H(\mathcal{E})) + e_{j-2}(P_Y(\mathcal{E}), H(\mathcal{E}))) \\ &= (-1)^j ((j - m + 1)c_m(Y) - 2(j - m)c_m(Y) + (j - m - 1)c_m(Y)) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

If  $j = 2m$ , then by [5, Theorem 3.1 (3.1.1) and (3.1.2)]

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cl}_{2m}(P_Y(\mathcal{E}), H(\mathcal{E})) &= (-1)^{2m} (e_{2m}(P_Y(\mathcal{E}), H(\mathcal{E})) - 2e_{2m-1}(P_Y(\mathcal{E}), H(\mathcal{E})) + e_{2m-2}(P_Y(\mathcal{E}), H(\mathcal{E}))) \\ &= ((m + 1)c_m(Y) - 2mc_m(Y) + (m - 1)c_m(Y) + c_m(\mathcal{E})) \\ &= c_m(\mathcal{E}) > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence by Definition 1.2 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{def}(X, H(\mathcal{E})) &= \min\{i \mid \text{cl}_{n-i}(X, H(\mathcal{E})) \neq 0\} = n - 2m. \\ \text{codeg}(X, H(\mathcal{E})) &= c_m(\mathcal{E}). \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.  $\square$

Assume that  $(X, L)$  is a  $\mathbb{P}^{n-3}$ -bundle over a smooth projective variety  $Y$  with  $n \geq 4$  and  $\dim Y = 3$ . Let  $\mathcal{E}$  be an ample vector bundle on  $Y$  such that  $X \cong \mathbb{P}_Y(\mathcal{E})$  and  $L = H(\mathcal{E})$ . Then by [5, Theorem 3.1]  $\text{cl}_i(X, L)$  is the following.



$$\text{cl}_i(X, L) = \begin{cases} s_3(\mathcal{E}), & \text{if } i = 0, \\ 3s_3(\mathcal{E}) + (s_1(\mathcal{E}) + K_Y)s_2(\mathcal{E}), & \text{if } i = 1, \\ 3s_3(\mathcal{E}) + 12(s_1(\mathcal{E}) + K_Y)s_2(\mathcal{E}) \\ + (s_1(\mathcal{E}) + K_Y)s_1(\mathcal{E})^2 + c_2(Y)s_1(\mathcal{E}), & \text{if } i = 2, \\ -c_3(Y) + 2c_3(\mathcal{E}) - 2c_1(\mathcal{E})c_2(\mathcal{E}) + 4c_1(\mathcal{E})^3 \\ + 3K_Yc_1(\mathcal{E})^2 + 2c_2(Y)c_1(\mathcal{E}), & \text{if } i = 3, \\ 3c_3(\mathcal{E}) + 12(c_1(\mathcal{E}) + K_Y)c_2(\mathcal{E}) \\ + (c_1(\mathcal{E}) + K_Y)c_1(\mathcal{E})^2 + c_2(Y)c_1(\mathcal{E}), & \text{if } i = 4, \\ 3c_3(\mathcal{E}) + (c_1(\mathcal{E}) + K_Y)c_2(\mathcal{E}), & \text{if } i = 5 \text{ and } n \geq 5, \\ c_3(\mathcal{E}), & \text{if } i = 6 \text{ and } n \geq 6, \\ 0, & \text{if } i \geq 7 \text{ and } n \geq 7. \end{cases}$$

By considering the above results, we can propose the following conjecture.

**Conjecture 2.1** *Assume that  $(X, L)$  is a  $\mathbb{P}^{n-m}$ -bundle over a smooth projective variety  $Y$  with  $\dim Y = m$ . Let  $\mathcal{E}$  be an ample vector bundle on  $Y$  such that  $X \cong \mathbb{P}_Y(\mathcal{E})$  and  $L = H(\mathcal{E})$ . Assume that  $n \geq 2m$ . For any integer  $i$  with  $0 \leq i \leq m$  we set*

$$F_i(s_1(\mathcal{E}), \dots, s_m(\mathcal{E})) := \text{cl}_i(X, L).$$

Then for any integer  $j$  with  $m \leq j \leq 2m$  we have

$$\text{cl}_j(X, L) = F_{2m-j}(c_1(\mathcal{E}), \dots, c_m(\mathcal{E})).$$

In particular

$$F_m(s_1(\mathcal{E}), \dots, s_m(\mathcal{E})) = F_m(c_1(\mathcal{E}), \dots, c_m(\mathcal{E})).$$

**Remark 2.2** This conjecture is true for the case where  $m = 1, 2$  and  $3$ .

By looking at the above examples, we see that  $\text{cl}_{i+1}(X, L) = 0$  if  $\text{cl}_i(X, L) = 0$ . So we can propose the following problem.

**Problem 2.1** *Let  $(X, L)$  be a polarized manifold of dimension  $n$  and let  $i$  be an integer with  $0 \leq i \leq n - 1$ . Is it true that  $\text{cl}_{i+1}(X, L) = 0$  if  $\text{cl}_i(X, L) = 0$  ?*

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