THEORY OF NON-LC IDEAL SHEAVES
—BASIC PROPERTIES—

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ABSTRACT. We introduce the notion of non-lc ideal sheaves. It is an analogue of the notion of multiplier ideal sheaves. We establish the restriction theorem, which seems to be the most important property of non-lc ideal sheaves.

1. Introduction

Let $X$ be a smooth complex algebraic variety and $B$ an effective $\mathbb{R}$-divisor on $X$. Then we can define the multiplier ideal sheaf $\mathcal{J}(X, B)$. By the definition, $(X, B)$ is klt if and only if $\mathcal{J}(X, B)$ is trivial. There exist plenty of applications of multiplier ideal sheaves. See, for example, the excellent book [L]. Here, we introduce the notion of non-lc ideal sheaves. We denote it by $\mathcal{J}_{\text{NLC}}(X, B)$. By the construction, the ideal sheaf $\mathcal{J}_{\text{NLC}}(X, B)$ is trivial if and only if $(X, B)$ is lc, that is, $\mathcal{J}_{\text{NLC}}(X, B)$ defines the non-lc locus of the pair $(X, B)$. So, we call $\mathcal{J}_{\text{NLC}}(X, B)$ the non-lc ideal sheaf associated to $(X, B)$. By the definition of $\mathcal{J}_{\text{NLC}}(X, B)$ (cf. Definition 2.1), we have the following inclusions

$$\mathcal{J}(X, B) \subset \mathcal{J}_{\text{NLC}}(X, B) \subset \mathcal{J}(X, (1 - \varepsilon)B)$$

for any $\varepsilon > 0$. Although the ideal sheaf $\mathcal{J}(X, (1 - \varepsilon)B)$ defines the non-lc locus of the pair $(X, B)$ for $0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$, $\mathcal{J}(X, (1 - \varepsilon)B)$ does not always coincide with $\mathcal{J}_{\text{NLC}}(X, B)$. It is a very important remark.

Let $S$ be a smooth irreducible divisor on $X$ such that $S$ is not contained in the support of $B$. We put $B_S = B|_S$. The restriction theorem for multiplier ideal sheaves, which was obtained by Esnault–Viehweg, is one of the key results in the theory of multiplier ideal sheaves. From the analytic point of view, it is a direct consequence of the Ohsawa–Takegoshi $L^2$ extension theorem (see [OT]). For the details, see [Ko] and [L]. Let us recall the restriction theorem here for the reader’s convenience.

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Theorem 1.1 (Restriction Theorem for Multiplier Ideal Sheaves). We have an inclusion

\[ \mathcal{J}(S, B_S) \subseteq \mathcal{J}(X, B)|_S. \]

The main result of this paper is the following restriction theorem for non-lc ideal sheaves. For the precise statement, see Theorem 2.14.

Theorem 1.2. There is an equality

\[ \mathcal{J}_{NLC}(S, B_S) = \mathcal{J}_{NLC}(X, S + B)|_S. \]

In particular, \((S, B_S)\) is lc if and only if \((X, S + B)\) is lc around \(S\).

Once we obtain this powerful restriction theorem for non-lc ideal sheaves, we can translate some results for multiplier ideal sheaves into new results for non-lc ideal sheaves. We will prove, for example, subadditivity theorem for non-lc ideal sheaves. I think that the ideal sheaf \(\mathcal{J}_{NLC}(X, B)\) has already appeared implicitly in some papers. However, \(\mathcal{J}_{NLC}(X, B)\) was thought to be useless because the Kawamata–Viehweg–Nadel vanishing theorem does not hold for lc pairs. We note that the theory of multiplier ideal sheaves heavily depends on the Kawamata–Viehweg–Nadel vanishing theorem. Fortunately, we have a new cohomological package according to Ambro’s formulation, which works for lc pairs (see [F2, Chapter 2]). By this new package, we can walk around freely in the world of lc pairs. We will prove vanishing theorem and global generation for non-lc ideal sheaves as applications. I hope that the notion of non-lc ideal sheaves will play important roles in various applications.

We summarize the contents of this paper. In Section 2, we introduce the notion of non-lc ideal sheaves and give various examples. Then we prove the restriction theorem for non-lc ideal sheaves. It produces the subadditivity theorem for non-lc ideal sheaves, and so on. Our proof of the restriction theorem is quite different from the standard arguments in the theory of multiplier ideal sheaves in [L]. It also differs from the usual X-method, which was initiated by Kawamata and is the most important technique in the traditional log minimal model program. So, we will explain the proof of the restriction theorem very carefully. In Section 3, we prove the vanishing theorem and the global generation for (asymptotic) non-lc ideal sheaves. Section 4 is an appendix, where we quickly review Kawakita’s inversion of adjunction for log canonicity and the results in [F2, Chapter 2].

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1.1. Notation and Conventions. We will work over the complex number field \( \mathbb{C} \) throughout this paper. But we note that by using the Lefschetz principle, we can extend everything to the case where the base field is an algebraically closed field of characteristic zero. We closely follow the presentation of the excellent book [L] in order to make this paper more accessible. We will use the following notation freely.

**Notation.**

(i) For an \( \mathbb{R} \)-Weil divisor \( D = \sum_{j=1}^{r} d_j D_j \) such that \( D_i \neq D_j \) for \( i \neq j \), we define the round-up \( \lceil D \rceil = \sum_{j=1}^{r} \lceil d_j \rceil D_j \) (resp. the round-down \( \lfloor D \rfloor = \sum_{j=1}^{r} \lfloor d_j \rfloor D_j \)), where for any real number \( x \), \( \lceil x \rceil \) is the integer defined by \( x \leq \lceil x \rceil < x + 1 \) (resp. \( x - 1 < \lfloor x \rfloor \leq x \)). The fractional part \( \{ D \} \) of \( D \) denotes \( D - \lfloor D \rfloor \).

We call \( D \) a boundary \( \mathbb{R} \)-divisor if \( 0 \leq d_j \leq 1 \) for any \( j \). We note that \( \sim_{\mathbb{Q}} \) (resp. \( \sim_{\mathbb{R}} \)) denotes the \( \mathbb{Q} \)-linear (resp. \( \mathbb{R} \)-linear) equivalence of \( \mathbb{Q} \)-divisors (resp. \( \mathbb{R} \)-divisors).

(ii) For a proper birational morphism \( f : X \to Y \), the exceptional locus \( \text{Exc}(f) \subset X \) is the locus where \( f \) is not an isomorphism.

(iii) Let \( X \) be a normal variety and \( B \) an effective \( \mathbb{R} \)-divisor on \( X \) such that \( K_X + B \) is \( \mathbb{R} \)-Cartier. Let \( f : Y \to X \) be a resolution such that \( \text{Exc}(f) \cup f^{-1} B \) has a simple normal crossing support, where \( f^{-1} B \) is the strict transform of \( B \) on \( Y \). We write

\[
K_Y = f^* (K_X + B) + \sum_i a_i E_i
\]

and \( a(E_i, X, B) = a_i \). We say that \( (X, B) \) is lc (resp. klt) if and only if \( a_i \geq -1 \) (resp. \( a_i > -1 \)) for any \( i \). Note that the discrepancy \( a(E, X, B) \in \mathbb{R} \) can be defined for any prime divisor \( E \) over \( X \). By
the definition, there exists the largest Zariski open set of $X$ such that $(X, B)$ is lc on $U$. We put $\text{Nlc}(X, B) = X \setminus U$ and call it the \textit{non-lc locus} of the pair $(X, B)$. We sometimes simply denote $\text{Nlc}(X, B)$ by $X_{NLC}$.

(iv) Let $E$ be a prime divisor over $X$. The closure of the image of $E$ on $X$ is denoted by $c_X(E)$ and called the \textit{center} of $E$ on $X$.

We use the same notation as in (iii). If $a(E, X, B) = -1$ and $c_X(E)$ is not contained in $\text{Nlc}(X, B)$, then $c_X(E)$ is called an \textit{lc center} of $(X, B)$.

We note that our definition of lc centers is slightly different from the usual one.

2. Non-lc Ideal Sheaves

2.1. Definitions of Non-lc Ideal Sheaves. Let us introduce the notion of \textit{non-lc ideal sheaves}.

\textbf{Definition 2.1} (Non-lc ideal sheaf). Let $X$ be a normal variety and $\Delta$ an $\mathbb{R}$-divisor on $X$ such that $K_X + \Delta$ is $\mathbb{R}$-Cartier. Let $f : Y \to X$ be a resolution with $K_Y + \Delta_Y = f^*(K_X + \Delta)$ such that $\text{Supp} \Delta_Y$ is simple normal crossing. Then we put

$$J_{NLC}(X, \Delta) = f_* \mathcal{O}_Y(\lceil -(\Delta^<1_Y - \lceil \Delta^>1_Y + \Delta^=1_Y \rceil)$$

and call it the \textit{non-lc ideal sheaf associated to $(X, \Delta)$}.

The name comes from the following obvious lemma. See also Proposition 2.6.

\textbf{Lemma 2.2.} Let $X$ be a normal variety and $\Delta$ an effective $\mathbb{R}$-divisor such that $K_X + \Delta$ is $\mathbb{R}$-Cartier. Then $(X, \Delta)$ is lc if and only if $J_{NLC}(X, \Delta) = \mathcal{O}_X$.

\textbf{Remark 2.3.} In the same notation as in Definition 2.1, we put

$$J(X, \Delta) = f_* \mathcal{O}_Y(\lceil -(\Delta_Y) \rceil) = f_* \mathcal{O}_Y(K_Y - \lceil f^*(K_X + \Delta) \rceil).$$

It is nothing but the well-known \textit{multiplier ideal sheaf}. It is obvious that $J(X, \Delta) \subseteq J_{NLC}(X, \Delta)$.

\textbf{Question 2.4.} Let $X$ be a smooth algebraic variety and $\Delta$ an effective $\mathbb{R}$-divisor on $X$. Are there any analytic interpretations of $J_{NLC}(X, \Delta)^{an}$? Are there any approaches to $J_{NLC}(X, \Delta)$ from the theory of tight closure?

\textbf{Definition 2.5} (Non-lc ideal sheaf associated to an ideal sheaf). Let $X$ be a normal variety and $\Delta$ an $\mathbb{R}$-divisor on $X$ such that $K_X + \Delta$ is $\mathbb{R}$-Cartier. Let $a \subseteq \mathcal{O}_X$ be a non-zero ideal sheaf on $X$ and $c$ a real number. Let $f : Y \to X$ be a resolution such that $K_Y + \Delta_Y = \ldots$
We put 
\[ J_{NLC}((X, \Delta); a^c) = f_\ast \mathcal{O}_Y(\tau - ((\Delta_Y + cF)^{<1}) - \nu(\Delta_Y + cF)^{>1}_F). \]
We sometimes write 
\[ J_{NLC}((X, \Delta); c \cdot a) = J_{NLC}((X, \Delta); a^c). \]

**Proposition 2.6.** The ideal sheaves \( J_{NLC}(X, \Delta) \) and \( J_{NLC}((X, \Delta); a^c) \) are well-defined, that is, they are independent of the resolution \( f : Y \to X \). If \( \Delta \) is effective and \( c > 0 \), then \( J_{NLC}(X, \Delta) \subseteq \mathcal{O}_X \) and \( J_{NLC}((X, \Delta); a^c) \subseteq \mathcal{O}_X \).

This proposition follows from the next fundamental lemma.

**Lemma 2.7.** Let \( f : Z \to Y \) be a proper birational morphism between smooth varieties and \( B_Y \) an \( \mathbb{R} \)-divisor on \( Y \) such that \( \text{Supp} B_Y \) is simple normal crossing. Assume that \( K_Z + B_Z = f^\ast (K_Y + B_Y) \) and that \( \text{Supp} B_Z \) is simple normal crossing. Then we have
\[ f_\ast \mathcal{O}_Z(\tau - (B_Y^{<1})^\nu - \nu B_Y^{>1}_F) \cong \mathcal{O}_Y(\tau - (B_Y^{<1})^\nu - \nu B_Y^{>1}_F). \]

**Proof.** By \( K_Z + B_Z = f^\ast (K_Y + B_Y) \), we obtain
\[ K_Z = f^\ast (K_Y + B_Y^{=1} + \{B_Y\}) + f^\ast ((\nu B_Y^{<1}_F + \nu B_Y^{>1}_F) - (\nu B_Y^{<1}_F + \nu B_Y^{>1}_F) - B_Y^{=1} - \{B_Y\}). \]
If \( a(\nu, Y, B_Y^{=1} + \{B_Y\}) = -1 \) for a prime divisor \( \nu \) over \( Y \), then we can check that \( a(\nu, Y, B_Y) = -1 \) by using [KM, Lemma 2.45]. Since \( f^\ast ((\nu B_Y^{<1}_F + \nu B_Y^{>1}_F) - (\nu B_Y^{<1}_F + \nu B_Y^{>1}_F)) \) is Cartier, we can easily see that
\[ f^\ast (\nu B_Y^{<1}_F + \nu B_Y^{>1}_F) = \nu B_Y^{<1}_F + \nu B_Y^{>1}_F + E, \]
where \( E \) is an effective \( f \)-exceptional divisor. Thus, we obtain
\[ f_\ast \mathcal{O}_Z(\tau - (B_Y^{<1})^\nu - \nu B_Y^{>1}_F) \cong \mathcal{O}_Y(\tau - (B_Y^{<1})^\nu - \nu B_Y^{>1}_F). \]
We finish the proof. \( \square \)

Although the following lemma is not indispensable for the proof of the main theorem, it may be useful. The proof is quite nontrivial.

**Lemma 2.8.** We use the same notation and assumption as in Lemma 2.7. Let \( S \) be a simple normal crossing divisor on \( Y \) such that \( S \subseteq \text{Supp} B_Y^{=1} \). Let \( T \) be the union of the irreducible components of \( B_Y^{=1} \) that are mapped into \( S \) by \( f \). Assume that \( \text{Supp} f^{-1}_\ast B_Y \cup \text{Exc}(f) \) is simple normal crossing on \( Z \). Then we have
\[ f_\ast \mathcal{O}_T(\tau - (B_T^{<1})^\nu - \nu B_T^{>1}_F) \cong \mathcal{O}_S(\tau - (B_S^{<1})^\nu - \nu B_S^{>1}_F), \]
where \( (K_Z + B_Z)|_T = K_T + B_T \) and \( (K_Y + B_Y)|_S = K_S + B_S \).
Proof. We use the same notation as in the proof of Lemma 2.7. We consider
\[ 0 \to O_Z((\gamma - (B_Z^{\leq 1}) \cap - B_Z^{> 1} \cup T)) \]
\[ \to O_Z((\gamma - (B_Z^{\leq 1}) \cap - B_Z^{> 1} \cup) \to O_T((\gamma - (B_T^{\leq 1}) \cap - B_T^{> 1} \cup) \to 0. \]
Since \(T = f^*(S - F),\) where \(F\) is an effective \(f\)-exceptional divisor, we can easily see that
\[ f_*O_Z((\gamma - (B_Z^{\leq 1}) \cap - B_Z^{> 1} \cup - T)) \simeq O_Y((\gamma - (B_Y^{\leq 1}) \cap - B_Y^{> 1} \cup - S). \]
We note that
\[ (\gamma - (B_Z^{\leq 1}) \cap - B_Z^{> 1} \cup - T) - (K_Z + \{B_Z\} + (B_Z^{= 1} - T)) = -f^*(K_Y + B_Y). \]
Therefore, every local section of \(R^1f_*O_Z((\gamma - (B_Z^{\leq 1}) \cap - B_Z^{> 1} \cup - T)\) contains in its support the \(f\)-image of some strata of \((Z, \{B_Z\} + B_Z^{= 1} - T)\) by Theorem 4.4 (1).

Claim. No strata of \((Z, \{B_Z\} + B_Z^{= 1} - T)\) are mapped into \(S\) by \(f.\)

Proof of Claim. Assume that there is a stratum \(C\) of \((Z, \{B_Z\} + B_Z^{= 1} - T)\) such that \(f(C) \subset S.\) Note that \(\text{Supp}f^*S \subset \text{Supp}f^{-1}_*B_Y \cup \text{Exc}(f)\) and \(\text{Supp}B_Z^{= 1} \subset \text{Supp}f^{-1}_*B_Y \cup \text{Exc}(f).\) Since \(C\) is also a stratum of \((Z, B_Z^{= 1})\) and \(C \subset \text{Supp}f^*S,\) there exists an irreducible component \(G\) of \(B_Z^{= 1}\) such that \(C \subset G \subset \text{Supp}f^*S.\) Therefore, by the definition of \(T, G\) is an irreducible component of \(T\) because \(f(G) \subset S\) and \(G\) is an irreducible component of \(B_Z^{= 1}.\) So, \(C\) is not a stratum of \((Z, \{B_Z\} + B_Z^{= 1} - T).\) It is a contradiction. \(\square\)

On the other hand, \(f(T) \subset S.\) Therefore,
\[ f_*O_T((\gamma - (B_T^{\leq 1}) \cap - B_T^{> 1} \cup) \to R^1f_*O_Z((\gamma - (B_Z^{\leq 1}) \cap - B_Z^{> 1} \cup - T) \]
is a zero-map by the above claim. Thus, we obtain
\[ f_*O_T((\gamma - (B_T^{\leq 1}) \cap - B_T^{> 1} \cup) \simeq O_S((\gamma - (B_S^{\leq 1}) \cap - B_S^{> 1} \cup). \]
We finish the proof. \(\square\)

Remark 2.9. Let \(X\) be an \(n\)-dimensional normal variety and \(\Delta\) an \(\mathbb{R}\)-divisor on \(X\) such that \(K_X + \Delta\) is \(\mathbb{R}\)-Cartier. Let \(f: Y \to X\) be a resolution with \(K_Y + \Delta_Y = f^*(K_X + \Delta)\) such that \(\text{Supp}\Delta_Y\) is simple normal crossing. We put \(A = \gamma - (\Delta_Y^{\leq 1}) \cap N = \gamma \Delta_Y^{> 1} \cup,\) and \(W = \Delta_Y^{= 1}.\) Since \(R^i f_*O_Y(A - N - W) = 0\) for \(i > 0\) by the Kawamata–Viehweg vanishing theorem, we have
\[ 0 \to J(X, \Delta) \to J_{NLC}(X, \Delta) \to f_*O_W(A|_W - N|_W) \to 0, \]
and
\[ R^i f_* O_Y(A - N) \simeq R^i f_* O_W(A|_W - N|_W) \]
for any \( i > 0 \). In general, \( R^i f_* O_Y(A - N) \neq 0 \) for \( 1 \leq i \leq n - 1 \).

From now on, we assume that \( \Delta \) is effective. We put \( F = W - E \), where \( E \) is the union of irreducible components of \( W \) which are mapped to \( \text{Nlc}(X, \Delta) \). Then we have
\[ f_* O_Y(A - N - E) = f_* O_Y(A - N) = J_{\text{NLC}}(X, \Delta). \]

Applying \( f_* \) to the following short exact sequence
\[ 0 \rightarrow O_Y(A - N - W) \rightarrow O_Y(A - N - E) \rightarrow O_F(A|_F - N|_F - E|_F) \rightarrow 0, \]
we obtain that
\[ f_* O_F(A|_F - N|_F - E|_F) = f_* O_W(A|_W - N|_W). \]

In particular, \( J(X, \Delta) = J_{\text{NLC}}(X, \Delta) \) if and only if \((X, \Delta)\) has no lc centers.

2.2. Examples of Non-lc Ideal Sheaves.

Here, we explain some elementary examples.

**Example 2.10.** Let \( X \) be an \( n \)-dimensional smooth variety. Let \( P \in X \) be a closed point and \( m = m_P \) the associated maximal ideal. Let \( f : Y \rightarrow X \) be the blow-up at \( P \). Then \( f^{-1} m = O_Y(-E) \), where \( E \) is the exceptional divisor of \( f \). If \( c > n \), then
\[ J_{\text{NLC}}(X; c \cdot m) = f_* O_Y((n - 1) - \lceil c, \rfloor E) = J(X; c \cdot m) = m^{\lceil c, \rfloor -(n-1)}. \]

If \( c < n \), then
\[ J_{\text{NLC}}(X; c \cdot m) = f_* O_Y((n - 1) - \lceil c, \rfloor E) = J(X; c \cdot m) = O_X. \]

When \( c = n \), we note that
\[ J_{\text{NLC}}(X; c \cdot m) = f_* O_Y \simeq O_X \supseteq J(X; c \cdot m) = f_* O_Y(-E) = m. \]

**Example 2.11.** Let \( X \) be a smooth variety and \( D \) a smooth divisor on \( X \). Then \( J_{\text{NLC}}(X, D) = O_X \). However,
\[ J_{\text{NLC}}(X, (1 + \varepsilon)D) = O_X(-D) \]
for any \( 0 < \varepsilon \ll 1 \). On the other hand,
\[ J(X, D) = J(X, (1 + \varepsilon)E) = O_X(-D) \]
for any \( 0 < \varepsilon \ll 1 \).

We note the following lemma on the *jumping numbers*, whose proof is obvious by the definitions (cf. [L, Lemma 9.3.21, Definition 9.3.22]).
Lemma 2.12 (Jumping numbers). Let $X$ be a smooth variety and $D$ an effective $\mathbb{Q}$-divisor (resp. $\mathbb{R}$-divisor) on $X$. Let $x \in X$ be a fixed point contained in the support of $D$. Then there is an increasing sequence 

$$0 < \xi_0(D; x) < \xi_1(D; x) < \xi_2(D; x) < \cdots$$

of rational (resp. real) numbers $\xi_i = \xi_i(D; x)$ characterized by the properties that

$$J(X, c \cdot D)_x = J(X, \xi_i \cdot D)_x \text{ for } c \in [\xi_i, \xi_{i+1}),$$

while $J(X, \xi_{i+1} \cdot D)_x \subsetneq J(X, \xi_i \cdot D)_x$ for every $i$. The rational (resp. real) numbers $\xi_i(D; x)$ are called the jumping numbers of $D$ at $x$. We can check the properties that

$$J_{\text{NLC}}(X, c \cdot D)_x = J_{\text{NLC}}(X, d \cdot D)_x \text{ for } c, d \in (\xi_i, \xi_{i+1}),$$

while $J_{\text{NLC}}(X, \xi_{i+1} \cdot D)_x \subsetneq J_{\text{NLC}}(X, \xi_i \cdot D)_x$ for every $i$. Moreover, $J_{\text{NLC}}(X, c \cdot D)_x = J(X, c \cdot D)_x$ for $c \in (\xi_i, \xi_{i+1})$ by Remark 2.9.

Example 2.13. Let $X = \mathbb{C}^2 = \text{Spec}\mathbb{C}[z_1, z_2]$ and $D = (z_1 = 0) + (z_2 = 0) + (z_1 = z_2)$. Then we can directly check that

$$J_{\text{NLC}}(X, D) = m^2$$

and

$$J_{\text{NLC}}(X, (1 - \varepsilon)D) = J(X, (1 - \varepsilon)D) = m$$

for $0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$, where $m$ is the maximal ideal associated to $0 \in \mathbb{C}^2$. On the other hand,

$$J_{\text{NLC}}(X, (1 + \varepsilon)D) = J(X, (1 + \varepsilon)D) \subsetneq J_{\text{NLC}}(X, D)$$

for $0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$ because $D \subset \text{Nlc}(X, (1 + \varepsilon)D)$. Note that

$$J(X, D) = J(X, (1 + \varepsilon)D) \subsetneq J_{\text{NLC}}(X, D)$$

for $0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$.

2.3. Main Theorem: Restriction Theorem. The following theorem is the main theorem of this paper.

Theorem 2.14 (Restriction Theorem). Let $X$ be a normal variety and $S + B$ an effective $\mathbb{R}$-divisor on $X$ such that $S$ is reduced and normal and that $S$ and $B$ have no common irreducible components. Assume that $K_X + S + B$ is $\mathbb{R}$-Cartier. Let $B_S$ be the different on $S$ such that $K_S + B_S = (K_X + S + B)|_S$. Then we obtain

$$J_{\text{NLC}}(S, B_S) = J_{\text{NLC}}(X, S + B)|_S.$$

In particular, $(S, B_S)$ is log canonical if and only if $(X, S + B)$ is log canonical around $S$. 

Remark 2.15. The notion of different was introduced by Shokurov in [S, §3]. For the definition and the basic properties, see, for example, [A, 9.2.1].

Before we go to the proof of Theorem 2.14, let us see an easy example.

Example 2.16. Let $X = \mathbb{C}^2 = \text{Spec}\mathbb{C}[x, y]$, $S = (x = 0)$, and $B = (y^2 = x^3)$. We put $B_S = B|_S$. Then we have $K_S + B_S = (K_X + S + B)|_S$. By direct calculations, we obtain

$$J_{NLC}(S, B_S) = m^2, \quad J_{NLC}(X, S + B) = n^2,$$

where $m$ (resp. $n$) is the maximal ideal corresponding to $0 \in S$ (resp. $(0, 0) \in X$). Of course, we have

$$J_{NLC}(S, B_S) = J_{NLC}(X, S + B)|_S.$$

Let us go to the proof of Theorem 2.14.

Proof of Theorem 2.14. We take a resolution $f : Y \to X$ with the following properties.

(i) $\text{Exc}(f)$ is a simple normal crossing divisor on $Y$.
(ii) $f^{-1}X_{NLC}$ is a simple normal crossing divisor on $Y$, where $X_{NLC} = \text{Nlc}(X, S + B)$.
(iii) $S_Y + f_*^{-1}B$ has a simple normal crossing support, where $S_Y = f_*^{-1}S$.
(iv) $f^{-1}S$ is a simple normal crossing divisor on $Y$.
(v) $f^{-1}(X_{NLC} \cap S)$ is a simple normal crossing divisor on $Y$.
(vi) $\text{Exc}(f) \cup f^{-1}X_{NLC} \cup S_Y \cup f_*^{-1}B \cup f^{-1}S$ is a divisor with simple normal crossing support.

We put $K_Y + B_Y = f^*(K_X + S + B)$. Then $\text{Supp}B_Y$ is simple normal crossing by (i), (iii), and (vi). Let $T$ be the union of the components of $B_Y^{-1} - S_Y$ that are mapped into $S$ by $f$. We can decompose $T = T_1 + T_2$ as follows.

(a) Any irreducible component of $T_2$ is mapped into $X_{NLC}$ by $f$.
(b) Any irreducible component of $T_1$ is not mapped into $X_{NLC}$ by $f$.

By (ii) and (vi), any stratum of $T_1$ is not mapped into $X_{NLC}$ by $f$.

We put $A = r - (B_Y^{<1})^{-1}$ and $N = _LB_Y^{>1}$. Then $A$ is an effective $f$-exceptional divisor. Moreover, $A|_{S_Y}$ is exceptional with respect to $f : S_Y \to S$. Then we have

$$J_{NLC}(X, S + B) = f_*O_Y(A - N)$$

and

$$J_{NLC}(S, B_S) = f_*O_{S_Y}(A - N).$$
Here, we used

\[ K_{S_Y} + (B_Y - S_Y)|_{S_Y} = f^*(K_S + B_S). \]

It follows from \( K_Y + B_Y = f^*(K_X + S + B) \) by adjunction.

**Step 1.** We consider the following short exact sequence

\[ 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_Y(A - N - (S_Y + T)) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_Y(A - N) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{S_Y + T}(A - N) \rightarrow 0. \]

Applying \( R^i f_* \), we obtain that

\[ 0 \rightarrow f_* \mathcal{O}_Y(A - N - (S_Y + T)) \rightarrow f_* \mathcal{O}_Y(A - N) \rightarrow f_* \mathcal{O}_{S_Y + T}(A - N) \rightarrow R^1 f_* \mathcal{O}_Y(A - N - (S_Y + T)) \rightarrow \cdots. \]

We note that

\[ A - N - (S_Y + T) - (K_Y + \{B_Y\} + (B_Y^{\geq 1} - S_Y - T)) = -f^*(K_X + S + B) \]

and that any stratum of \( B_Y^{\geq 1} - S_Y - T \) is not mapped into \( S \) by \( f \) (see the conditions (iv) and (vi)). Therefore, the support of any non-zero local section of \( R^1 f_* \mathcal{O}_Y(A - N - (S_Y + T)) \) can not be contained in \( S \) by Theorem 4.4 (1). Thus, the connecting homomorphism

\[ f_* \mathcal{O}_{S_Y + T}(A - N) \rightarrow R^1 f_* \mathcal{O}_Y(A - N - (S_Y + T)) \]

is a zero-map. Thus, we obtain

\[ 0 \rightarrow J \rightarrow \mathcal{J}_{NLC}(X, S + B) \rightarrow I \rightarrow 0, \]

where \( I := f_* \mathcal{O}_{S_Y + T}(A - N) \) and \( J := f_* \mathcal{O}_Y(A - N - (S_Y + T)). \) We note that the ideal sheaf \( J = f_* \mathcal{O}_Y(A - N - (S_Y + T)) \subset \mathcal{O}_X \) defines a scheme structure on \( S' = S \cup X_{NLC}. \) We will check that \( I \subset \mathcal{O}_S \) and \( I = \mathcal{J}_{NLC}(X, S + B)|_S \) by \( f(S_Y + T) = S \) and the following commutative diagrams:

\[ \begin{array}{ccc}
0 & \rightarrow & J \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
\mathcal{J}_{NLC}(X, S + B) & \rightarrow & I \\
\downarrow & = & \downarrow \\
0 & \rightarrow & 0
\end{array} \]

and

\[ \begin{array}{ccc}
0 & \rightarrow & J \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
\mathcal{O}_X & \rightarrow & \mathcal{O}_{S'} \\
\downarrow & = & \downarrow \\
0 & \rightarrow & 0
\end{array} \]

and

\[ \begin{array}{ccc}
0 & \rightarrow & \mathcal{O}_X(-S) \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \alpha \\
\mathcal{O}_X & \rightarrow & \mathcal{O}_S \\
\downarrow & & \downarrow \\
0 & \rightarrow & 0.
\end{array} \]
It is sufficient to prove $\text{Ker} \alpha \cap I = \{0\}$, where $\alpha : \mathcal{O}_S' \to \mathcal{O}_S$. We note that $I = \mathcal{J}_{\text{NLC}}(X, S + B)/J$ and $\text{Ker} \alpha = \mathcal{O}_X(-S)/J$. It is easy to see that

$$\mathcal{J}_{\text{NLC}}(X, S + B) \cap \mathcal{O}_X(-S) \subset J$$

since $f(S_Y + T) = S$. Thus, $\text{Ker} \alpha \cap I = \{0\}$. This means that $I \subset \mathcal{O}_S$ and $I = \mathcal{J}_{\text{NLC}}(X, S + B)|_S$.

Therefore, it is enough to prove $I = \mathcal{J}_{\text{NLC}}(S, B_S)$.

**Step 2.** In this step, we will prove the following natural inclusion

$$f_*\mathcal{O}_{S_Y + T_1}(A - N - T_2) \subset f_*\mathcal{O}_{S_Y + T}(A - N) = I$$

is an isomorphism. We consider the short exact sequence

$$0 \to \mathcal{O}_Y(A - N - (S_Y + T)) \to \mathcal{O}_Y(A - N - T_2) \to \mathcal{O}_{S_Y + T_1}(A - N - T_2) \to 0$$

Applying $R^1f_*$, we obtain that

$$0 \to J \to f_*\mathcal{O}_Y(A - N - T_2) \to f_*\mathcal{O}_{S_Y + T_1}(A - N - T_2) \xrightarrow{\delta} R^1f_*\mathcal{O}_Y(A - N - (S_Y + T)) \to \cdots.$$  

The connecting homomorphism $\delta$ is zero by the completely same reason as in Step 1. Therefore, we obtain the following commutative diagram.

$$\begin{array}{c}
0 \to J \to f_*\mathcal{O}_Y(A - N - T_2) \to f_*\mathcal{O}_{S_Y + T_1}(A - N - T_2) \to 0 \\
\downarrow{=} \quad \downarrow{\beta} \quad \downarrow{=} \quad \downarrow{=} \\
0 \to J \to f_*\mathcal{O}_Y(A - N) \to I \to 0.
\end{array}$$

The homomorphism $\beta$ is an isomorphism since $f(T_2) \subset f(N) = X_{\text{NLC}}$. Therefore, we obtain

$$f_*\mathcal{O}_{S_Y + T_1}(A - N - T_2) = I \subset \mathcal{O}_S.$$  

**Step 3.** The inclusion

$$f_*\mathcal{O}_{S_Y}(A - N - T_2) \subset f_*\mathcal{O}_{S_Y}(A - N) = \mathcal{J}_{\text{NLC}}(S, B_S) \subset \mathcal{O}_S$$

is obvious. By Kawakita’s inversion of adjunction for log canonicity (cf. Corollary 4.2), we obtain the opposite inclusion

$$f_*\mathcal{O}_{S_Y}(A - N) \subset f_*\mathcal{O}_{S_Y}(A - N - T_2).$$

Therefore, we obtain

$$f_*\mathcal{O}_{S_Y}(A - N - T_2) = f_*\mathcal{O}_{S_Y}(A - N) = \mathcal{J}_{\text{NLC}}(S, B_S).$$
Step 4. We consider the following short exact sequence
\[ 0 \to \mathcal{O}_{T_1}(A - N - S_Y - T_2) \to \mathcal{O}_{SY + T_1}(A - N - T_2) \to \mathcal{O}_{SY}(A - N - T_2) \to 0. \]

We note that
\[ f_*\mathcal{O}_{SY + T_1}(A - N - T_2) = \mathcal{I} \subset \mathcal{O}_S \]
by Step 2 and
\[ f_*\mathcal{O}_{SY}(A - N - T_2) = \mathcal{J}_{NLC}(S, B_S) \]
by Step 3. By taking \( R^i f_* \), we obtain that
\[ 0 \to \mathcal{I} \to \mathcal{J}_{NLC}(S, B_S) \to R^i f_*\mathcal{O}_{T_1}(A - N - S_Y - T_2) \to \cdots. \]
Here, we used the fact that
\[ f_*\mathcal{O}_{T_1}(A - N - S_Y - T_2) = 0. \]

Note that no irreducible components of \( S \) are dominated by \( T_1 \).

Since \( \mathcal{J}_{NLC}(S, B_S) \subset \mathcal{O}_S \), we obtain
\[ \mathcal{J}_{NLC}(S, B_S)/\mathcal{I} \subset \mathcal{O}_S/\mathcal{I}. \]

Since
\[ A - N - (S_Y + T_2) - (K_Y + T_1 + \{B_Y\} + (B_Y^{-1} - S_Y - T)) = -f^*(K_X + S + B), \]
we have
\[ (A - N - (S_Y + T_2))|_{T_1} - (K_{T_1} + (\{B_Y\} + B_Y^{-1} - S_Y - T))|_{T_1}) \sim \mathbb{R} - f^*(K_X + S + B)|_{f(T_1)}. \]

Therefore, the support of any non-zero local section of \( R^i f_*\mathcal{O}_{T_1}(A - N - S_Y - T_2) \) can not be contained in
\[ \text{Supp}(\mathcal{O}_S/\mathcal{I}) \subset \text{Supp}(\mathcal{O}_S/\mathcal{I}) = \text{Supp}(\mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{J}_{NLC}(X, S + B)) = X_{NLC} \]
by Theorem 4.4 (1). We note that any stratum of
\[ (T_1, (\{B_Y\} + B_Y^{-1} - S_Y - T))|_{T_1} \]
is not mapped into \( X_{NLC} \) by \( f \) (see the conditions (v) and (vi)). Thus, we obtain \( I = \mathcal{J}_{NLC}(S, B_S) \).

We finish the proof of the main theorem. \( \square \)

In some applications, the following corollaries may play important roles.
Corollary 2.17. We use the notation in the proof of Theorem 2.14. We have the following equalities.

\[ \mathcal{J}_{NL}(S, B_S) = f_* \mathcal{O}_Y(A - N) = f_* \mathcal{O}_{Y+T}(A - N) = f_* \mathcal{O}_{S+T_1}(A - N - T_2). \]

Corollary 2.18. We use the notation in the proof of Theorem 2.14. We obtained the following short exact sequence:

\[ 0 \to J \to \mathcal{J}_{NL}(X, S + B) \to \mathcal{J}_{NL}(S, B_S) \to 0. \]

Let \( \pi : X \to V \) be a projective morphism onto an algebraic variety \( V \) and \( L \) a Cartier divisor on \( X \) such that \( L - (K_X + S + B) \) is \( \pi \)-ample. Then

\[ R^i \pi_* (J \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(L)) = 0 \]

for any \( i > 0 \). In particular,

\[ R^i \pi_* (\mathcal{J}_{NL}(X, S + B) \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(L)) \to R^i \pi_* (\mathcal{J}_{NL}(S, B_S) \otimes \mathcal{O}_S(L)) \]

is surjective for \( i = 0 \) and is an isomorphism for any \( i \geq 1 \). As a corollary, we obtain

\[ \pi_* (\mathcal{J}_{NL}(S, B_S) \otimes \mathcal{O}_S(L)) \subset \text{Im}(\pi_* \mathcal{O}_X(L) \to \pi_* \mathcal{O}_S(L)). \]

Proof. Note that we have

\[ f^* L + A - N - (S_Y + T) - (K_Y + B_Y^{-1} + \{B_Y\} - (S_Y + T)) \]

\[ = f^* (L - (K_X + S + B)). \]

Therefore, \( R^i \pi_* (f_* \mathcal{O}_Y(f^* L + A - N - (S_Y + T))) = 0 \) for \( i > 0 \) by Theorem 4.4 (2). Thus, \( R^i \pi_* (J \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(L)) = 0 \) for any \( i > 0 \) because \( J = f_* \mathcal{O}_Y(A - N - (S_Y + T)). \)

Remark 2.19. In Corollary 2.18, the ideal \( J \) is independent of the resolution \( f : Y \to X \) by Lemma 2.8.

Remark 2.20. In Corollary 2.18, we can weaken the assumption that \( L - (K_X + S + B) \) is \( \pi \)-ample as follows. The \( \mathbb{R} \)-Cartier \( \mathbb{R} \)-divisor \( D = L - (K_X + S + B) \) is \( \pi \)-nef and \( \pi \)-big and \( D|_C \) is \( \pi \)-big for any lc center \( C \) that is not contained in \( S \). See the proof of Theorem 3.2 below.

2.4. Direct Consequences of Restriction Theorem. Let us collect some direct consequences of the restriction theorem.

Proposition 2.21. Let \( X \) be a smooth variety, let \( D \) be an effective \( \mathbb{R} \)-divisor on \( X \), and let \( H \subset X \) be a smooth irreducible divisor that does not appear in the support of \( D \). Then

\[ \mathcal{J}_{NL}(H, D|_H) = \mathcal{J}_{NL}(X, H + D)|_H \subset \mathcal{J}_{NL}(X, D)|_H. \]
Proof. It is obvious. □

**Corollary 2.22.** Let $|V|$ be a free linear system, and let $H \in |V|$ be a general divisor. Then we have
\[ J_{\text{NLC}}(H, D|_H) = J_{\text{NLC}}(X, D)|_H \]
because $J_{\text{NLC}}(X, D) = J_{\text{NLC}}(X, H + D)$.

Proof. It is obvious. □

**Corollary 2.23.** Let $D$ be an effective $\mathbb{R}$-divisor on the smooth variety $X$, and let $Y \subset X$ be a smooth subvariety that is not contained in the support of $D$. Then
\[ J_{\text{NLC}}(Y, D_Y) \subseteq J_{\text{NLC}}(X, D)|_Y, \]
where $D_Y = D|_Y$.

Proof. It is obvious. See, for example, the proof of [L, Corollary 9.5.6]. □

**Corollary 2.24.** Let $f : Y \to X$ be a morphism of smooth irreducible varieties, and let $D$ be an effective $\mathbb{R}$-divisor on $X$. Assume that the support of $D$ does not contain $f(Y)$. Then one has an inclusion
\[ J_{\text{NLC}}(Y, f^*D) \subseteq f^{-1}J_{\text{NLC}}(X, D) \]
of ideal sheaves on $Y$.

Proof. See, for example, [L, Example 9.5.8]. □

**Proposition 2.25** (Divisors of small multiplicity). Let $D$ be an effective $\mathbb{R}$-divisor on a smooth variety $X$. Suppose that $x \in X$ is a point at which $\text{mult}_x D \leq 1$. Then the ideal $J_{\text{NLC}}(X, D)$ is trivial at $x$.

Proof. It is obvious. See, for example, [L, Proposition 9.5.13]. □

**Theorem 2.26** (Generic Restriction). Let $X$ and $T$ be smooth irreducible varieties, and $p : X \to T$ a smooth surjective morphism. Consider an effective $\mathbb{R}$-divisor $D$ on $X$ whose support does not contain any of the fibers $X_t = p^{-1}(t)$, so that for each $t \in T$ the restriction $D_t = D|_{X_t}$ is defined. Then there is a non-empty Zariski open set $U \subset T$ such that
\[ J_{\text{NLC}}(X_t, D_t) = J_{\text{NLC}}(X, D)_t \]
for every $t \in U$, where $J_{\text{NLC}}(X, D)_t = J_{\text{NLC}}(X, D) \cdot \mathcal{O}_{X_t}$ denotes the restriction of the indicated non-lc ideal to the fiber $X_t$. More generally, if $t \in U$ then
\[ J_{\text{NLC}}(X_t, c \cdot D_t) = J_{\text{NLC}}(X, c \cdot D)_t \]
for every $c > 0$. 

Proof. We use the same notation as in the proof of [L, Theorem 9.5.35]. Let $U$ be the non-empty Zariski open set of $T$ that was obtained in the proof of [L, Theorem 9.5.35]. By shrinking $T$, we can assume that $T = U$. We take a general hypersurface $H$ of $T$ passing through $t \in U$. Then $J_{NLCD}(X, c \cdot D) = J_{NLCD}(X, X_1 + c \cdot D)$, where $X_1 = p^*H$. By Theorem 2.14, $J_{NLCD}(X, c \cdot D)|_{X_1} = J_{NLCD}(X_1, c \cdot D)|_{X_1} = J_{NLCD}(X_1, c \cdot D|_{X_1})$. By applying this argument $\dim T$ times, we obtain that $J_{NLCD}(X_t, c \cdot D_t) = J_{NLCD}(X, c \cdot D)_t$. □

The following corollary is a direct consequence of Theorem 2.26.

Corollary 2.27 (Semicontinuity). Let $p : X \to T$ be a smooth morphism as in Theorem 2.26, and let $D$ be an effective $\mathbb{R}$-divisor on $X$ satisfying the hypotheses of that statement. Suppose moreover given a section $y : T \to X$ of $p$, and write $y_t = y(t) \in X$. If $y_t \in \text{Nlc}(X_t, D_t)$ for $t \neq 0 \in T$, then $y_0 \in \text{Nlc}(X_0, D_0)$.

Proof. See the proof of [L, Corollary 9.5.39]. □

Remark 2.28. Corollary 2.27 is useful for the proof of Anghern–Siu type theorem for lc pairs. See, for example, [L, 10.4]. We have already carried it out in [F1], where we adopted Kollár’s formulation in [Ko].

We close this subsection with the subadditivity theorem for non-lc ideal sheaves (cf. [DEL]).

Theorem 2.29 (Subadditivity). Let $X$ be a smooth variety.

1. Suppose that $D_1$ and $D_2$ are any two effective $\mathbb{R}$-divisor on $X$. Then
$$J_{NLCD}(X, D_1 + D_2) \subseteq J_{NLCD}(X, D_1) \cdot J_{NLCD}(X, D_2).$$

2. If $a, b \subseteq \mathcal{O}_X$ are ideal sheaves, then
$$J_{NLCD}(X; a^c \cdot b^d) \subseteq J_{NLCD}(X; a^c) \cdot J_{NLCD}(X; b^d)$$
for any $c, d > 0$. In particular,
$$J_{NLCD}(X; a \cdot b) \subseteq J_{NLCD}(X; a) \cdot J_{NLCD}(X; b).$$

Proof. The proof of the subadditivity theorem for multiplier ideal sheaves works for non-lc ideal sheaves. See, for example, the proof of [L, Theorem 9.5.20]. We leave the details for the reader’s exercise. □

3. Miscellaneous Results

In this section, we collect some basic results of non-lc ideal sheaves.
3.1. Vanishing and Global Generation Theorems. Here, we state vanishing and global generation theorems explicitly. We can easily check them as applications of Theorem 4.4 below.

**Theorem 3.1 (Vanishing Theorem).** Let $X$ be a smooth projective variety, let $D$ be any $\mathbb{R}$-divisor on $X$, and let $L$ be any integral divisor such that $L - D$ is ample. Then

$$H^i(X, \mathcal{O}_X(K_X + L) \otimes \mathcal{J}_{NLC}(X, D)) = 0$$

for $i > 0$.

*Proof.* Let $f : Y \to X$ be a resolution with $K_Y + B_Y = f^*(K_X + D)$ such that $\text{Supp} B_Y$ is simple normal crossing. Then

$$f^*(L - D) - (K_Y + B_Y^\geq 1 + \{B_Y\}) = f^*(L - D).$$

Therefore,

$$H^i(X, R^j f_* \mathcal{O}_Y(\lceil -(B_Y^\leq 1) \rceil - \lfloor B_Y^> 1 \rfloor + f^*(K_X + L))) = 0$$

for any $i > 0$ and $j \geq 0$ by Theorem 4.4 (2). In particular,

$$H^i(X, f_* \mathcal{O}_Y(\lceil -(B_Y^\leq 1) \rceil - \lfloor B_Y^> 1 \rfloor + f^*(K_X + L))) = 0$$

for $i > 0$. This is the desired vanishing theorem because $\mathcal{J}_{NLC}(X, D) = f_* \mathcal{O}_Y(\lceil -(B_Y^\leq 1) \rceil - \lfloor B_Y^> 1 \rfloor - E)$.

We can weaken the assumption in Theorem 3.1. However, Theorem 3.1 is sufficient for our purpose in this paper. So, the reader can skip the next difficult theorem.

**Theorem 3.2.** Let $X$ be a normal variety and $\Delta$ an effective $\mathbb{R}$-divisor such that $K_X + \Delta$ is $\mathbb{R}$-Cartier. Let $\pi : X \to V$ be a proper morphism onto an algebraic variety $V$ and $L$ a Cartier divisor on $X$. Assume that $L - (K_X + \Delta)$ is $\pi$-nef and $\pi$-log big with respect to $(X, \Delta)$, that is, $L - (K_X + \Delta)$ is $\pi$-nef and $\pi$-big and $(L - (K_X + \Delta))_C$ is $\pi$-big for any lc center $C$ of the pair $(X, \Delta)$. Then we have

$$R^i \pi_*(\mathcal{J}_{NLC}(X, \Delta) \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(L)) = 0$$

for any $i > 0$.

*Proof.* Let $f : Y \to X$ be a resolution with $K_Y + \Delta_Y = f^*(K_X + \Delta)$ such that $\text{Supp} \Delta_Y$ is simple normal crossing. We put $F = \Delta_Y^\geq 1 - E$, where $E$ is the union of irreducible components of $\Delta_Y^\geq 1$ which are mapped to $X_{NLC} = \text{Nlc}(X, \Delta)$. If we need, we take more blow-ups and can assume that no strata of $F$ are mapped to $X_{NLC}$. In this case, we have

$$\mathcal{J}_{NLC}(X, \Delta) = f_* \mathcal{O}_Y(\lceil -(\Delta_Y^\leq 1) \rceil - \lfloor \Delta_Y^> 1 \rfloor - E).$$
Since
\[
\tau - (\Delta_Y^{>1})^\pi - \iota \Delta_Y^{>1} - E + f^*L - (K_Y + F + \{\Delta_Y\})
\]
\[
= f^*(L - (K_X + \Delta)),
\]
w\e have that
\[
R^i \pi_\ast R^j f_\ast \mathcal{O}_Y (\tau - (\Delta_Y^{>1})^\pi - \iota \Delta_Y^{>1} - E + f^*L) = 0
\]
for any \(i > 0\) and \(j \geq 0\) (see, for example, [F2, Theorem 2.47]). So, we obtain
\[
R^i \pi_\ast (\mathcal{J}_{NLC}(X, \Delta) \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(L)) = 0
\]
for \(i > 0\).

\begin{proof}
It is obvious by Theorem 3.1 (or, Theorem 3.2) and Mumford's \(m\)-regularity.
\end{proof}

**Theorem 3.3** (Global Generation). Let \(X\) be a smooth projective variety of dimension \(n\). We fix a globally generated ample divisor \(B\) on \(X\). Let \(D\) be an effective \(\mathbb{R}\)-divisor and \(L\) an integral divisor on \(X\) such that \(L - D\) is ample (or, more generally, nef and log big with respect to \((X, D)\)). Then \(\mathcal{O}_X(K_X + L + mB) \otimes \mathcal{J}_{NLC}(X, D)\) is globally generated as soon as \(m \geq n\).

**Proof.** It is obvious by Theorem 3.1 (or, Theorem 3.2) and Mumford's \(m\)-regularity.

3.2. **Asymptotic non-lc ideal sheaves.** Let \(X\) be a smooth variety. Let \(a_\bullet = \{a_m\}\) be a graded system of ideals on \(X\). In other words, \(a_\bullet\) consists of a collection of ideal sheaves \(a_k \subseteq \mathcal{O}_X\) satisfying \(a_0 = \mathcal{O}_X\) and \(a_m \cdot a_l \subseteq a_{m+l}\) for all \(m, l \geq 1\).

**Definition 3.4** (Non-lc ideal associated to a graded system of ideals). The **asymptotic non-lc ideal sheaf** of \(a_\bullet\) with coefficient or exponent \(c\), written either by
\[
\mathcal{J}_{NLC}(X; c \cdot a_\bullet) \text{ or } \mathcal{J}_{NLC}(X; a_\bullet^c)
\]
is defined to be the unique maximal member among the family of ideals \(\{\mathcal{J}_{NLC}(X; \frac{c}{p} \cdot a_p)\}\) for \(p \geq 1\). Thus \(\mathcal{J}_{NLC}(X; c \cdot a_\bullet) = \mathcal{J}_{NLC}(X; \frac{c}{p} \cdot a_p)\) for all sufficiently large and divisible integer \(p \gg 0\).

**Example 3.5.** Let \(X\) be a smooth projective variety and \(L\) an integral divisor on \(X\) of non-negative Iitaka dimension. We consider the base ideal \(b_k = b(\lfloor kL \rfloor)\) of the complete linear system \(\lfloor kL \rfloor\) for any \(k \geq 0\). Let \(\Delta\) be an effective \(\mathbb{R}\)-divisor on \(X\) such that \(K_X + \Delta\) is \(\mathbb{R}\)-Cartier. Then \(b_\bullet\) is a graded system of ideals on \(X\). We put
\[
\mathcal{J}_{NLC}((X, \Delta), \lfloor L \rfloor) := \mathcal{J}_{NLC}((X, \Delta); b_\bullet).
\]
We note that \(\mathcal{J}_{NLC}((X, \Delta); b_\bullet)\) is the unique maximal member among the family of ideals \(\{\mathcal{J}_{NLC}((X, \Delta); \lfloor \frac{c}{p} b \rfloor)\}\) for \(p \geq 1\).
Almost all the basic properties of asymptotic multiplier ideal sheaves in [L, 11.1 and 11.2.A] can be proved for asymptotic non-lc ideal sheaves by the same arguments. Therefore, we do not repeat them here. We leave them for the reader’s exercise. We state only one theorem in this subsection.

**Theorem 3.6.** Let $X$ be a smooth projective variety, $\Delta$ an effective Cartier divisor on $X$, and $L$ an integral divisor on $X$ of non-negative Iitaka dimension. If $A$ is an ample divisor on $X$, then

$$H^i(X, \mathcal{O}_X(K_X + \Delta + mL + A) \otimes J_{NLC}((X, \Delta), \|mL\|)) = 0$$

for $i > 0$. Furthermore, we assume that $B$ is a globally generated ample divisor on $X$. Then for any $m \geq 1$,

$$\mathcal{O}_X(K_X + \Delta + lB + A + mL) \otimes J_{NLC}((X, \Delta), \|mL\|)$$

is globally generated as soon as $l \geq \dim X$.

**Proof.** Let $H \in |mL|$ be a general member for a large and divisible $k$. Then $J_{NLC}((X, \Delta), \|mL\|) = J_{NLC}((X, \Delta), \frac{1}{k}H) = J_{NLC}(X, \Delta + \frac{1}{k}H)$. On the other hand, $\Delta + mL + A - (\Delta + \frac{1}{k}H) \sim_{Q} A$. Thus, this theorem follows from Theorem 3.1 and Theorem 3.3. $\square$

4. **Appendix**

4.1. **Inversion of adjunction for log canonicity.** We give some comments on the inversion of adjunction for log canonicity. The following theorem is due to Kawakita. Roughly speaking, he proved it by iterating the restriction theorem between adjoint ideal sheaves on $X$ and multiplier ideal sheaves on $S$. For the proof, see [Ka].

**Theorem 4.1** (Kawakita). Let $X$ be a normal variety, $S$ a reduced divisor on $X$, and $B$ an effective $\mathbb{R}$-divisor on $X$ such that $K_X + S + B$ is $\mathbb{R}$-Cartier. Assume that $S$ has no common irreducible component with the support of $B$. Let $\nu : S' \to S$ be the normalization and $B_{S'}$ the different on $S'$ such that $K_{S'} + B_{S'} = \nu^*(K_X + S + B)|_S$. Then $(X, S + B)$ is log canonical around $S$ if and only if $(S', B_{S'})$ is log canonical.

By adjunction, it is obvious that $(S', B_{S'})$ is log canonical if $(X, S + B)$ is log canonical around $S$. So, the above theorem is usually called the inversion of adjunction for log canonicity. We need the following corollary of Theorem 4.1 in the proof of Theorem 2.14. The proof is obvious.
Corollary 4.2. Let \((X, S + B)\) be as in Theorem 4.1. Let \(P \in X\) be a closed point such that \((X, S + B)\) is not log canonical at \(P\). Let \(f : Y \to X\) be a resolution such that \(K_Y + B_Y = f^*(K_X + S + B)\) and that \(\text{Supp}B_Y\) is simple normal crossing. Then \(f^{-1}(P) \cap S_Y \cap \text{Supp}N \neq \emptyset\), where \(S_Y = f_*^{-1}S\) and \(N = \sqcup B_Y^{\geq 1}\).

We close this subsection with a remark on the theory of quasi-log varieties.

Remark 4.3. We use the notation in Theorem 4.1. We note that \([X, K_X + S + B]\) has a natural quasi-log structure, which was introduced by Ambro. See, for example, [F2, Chapter 3]. By adjunction, \(S' = S \cup X_{\text{NL}}\) has a natural quasi-log structure induced by \([X, K_X + S + B]\). More explicitly, the defining ideal sheaf of the quasi-log variety \(S'\) is \(J\) in the proof of Theorem 2.14. In Step 1 in the proof of Theorem 2.14, we did not use the normality of \(S\). Theorem 4.1 says that \([S', (K_X + S + B)]\) has only qlc singularities around \(S\) if and only if \((S^{\nu}, B_{S^{\nu}})\) is lc.

4.2. New Cohomological Package. We quickly review Ambro’s formulation of torsion-free and vanishing theorems in a simplified form. For more advanced topics and the proof, see [F2, Chapter 2].

Let \(Y\) be a simple normal crossing divisor on a smooth variety \(M\) and \(D\) an \(\mathbb{R}\)-divisor on \(M\) such that \(\text{Supp}(D + Y)\) is simple normal crossing and that \(D\) and \(Y\) have no common irreducible components. We put \(B = D|_Y\) and consider the pair \((Y, B)\). Let \(\nu : Y'' \to Y\) be the normalization. We put \(K_{Y''} + \Theta = \nu^*(K_Y + B)\). A stratum of \((Y, B)\) is an irreducible component of \(Y\) or the image of some lc center of \((Y'', \Theta=1)\).

When \(Y\) is smooth and \(B\) is an \(\mathbb{R}\)-divisor on \(Y\) such that \(\text{Supp}B\) is simple normal crossing, we put \(M = Y \times \mathbb{A}^1\) and \(D = B \times \mathbb{A}^1\). Then \((Y, B) \simeq (Y \times \{0\}, B \times \{0\})\) satisfies the above conditions.

Theorem 4.4. Let \((Y, B)\) be as above. Assume that \(B\) is a boundary \(\mathbb{R}\)-divisor. Let \(f : Y \to X\) be a proper morphism and \(L\) a Cartier divisor on \(Y\).

(1) Assume that \(H \sim_{\mathbb{R}} L - (K_Y + B)\) is \(f\)-semi-ample. Then every non-zero local section of \(R^q f_* O_Y(L)\) contains in its support the \(f\)-image of some strata of \((Y, B)\).

(2) Let \(\pi : X \to V\) be a proper morphism and assume that \(H \sim_{\mathbb{R}} f^* H'\) for some \(\pi\)-ample \(\mathbb{R}\)-Cartier \(\mathbb{R}\)-divisor \(H'\) on \(X\). Then, \(R^q f_* O_Y(L)\) is \(\pi_*\)-acyclic, that is, \(R^p \pi_* f^* O_Y(L) = 0\) for any \(p > 0\).

For the proof, see [F2, Theorem 2.39].
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