ON GENERALIZED MINIMAL LOG DISCREPANCY

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Abstract. We discuss the ACC conjecture and the LSC conjecture for minimal log discrepancies of generalized pairs. We prove that some known results on these two conjectures for usual pairs are still valid for generalized pairs. We also discuss the theory of complements for generalized pairs.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Generalized pairs are introduced by Birkar and Zhang [BZ16], and they are generalizations of the usual log pairs. Generalized pairs play an essential role in Birkar’s papers [Bir19] [Bir21a]. In these papers, Birkar proves the BAB conjecture, which states that a certain class of singular Fano varieties is bounded. Generalized pairs also have many applications to important topics in birational geometry (for example, the Iitaka conjecture [BZ16], and the termination problem and the existence of minimal models [Mor20] [Morb]). We refer the reader to his expository article [Bir21b] for the motivation and related problems.

In this article, we focus on the singularity aspect of generalized pairs, in particular, their minimal log discrepancies. The minimal log discrepancy is an invariant of singularities introduced by Shokurov (for usual log pairs) in order to attack the termination of flips. Shokurov proved that two conjectures on the minimal log discrepancies, the LSC (lower semi-continuity) conjecture and the ACC (ascending chain condition) conjecture, imply the conjecture of termination of flips [Sho04].
The ACC conjecture predicts that the set of minimal log discrepancies of fixed dimension with the suitable restrictions on the coefficients of the boundary divisors satisfies the ascending chain condition.

**Conjecture 1.1** (ACC conjecture, [Sho96]). Let $d \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ and let $I \subset [0,1]$ be a subset that satisfies the DCC. Then the set $A(d,I)$ defined by

$$A(d,I) := \{ \text{mld}_x(X,\Delta) \mid (X,\Delta) \text{ is a log pair with dim } X = d, \Delta \in I \text{ and } x \in |X|_0. \}$$

satisfies the ACC, where $|X|_0$ denotes the set of all closed points of $X$.

The ACC conjecture is proved when $d \leq 2$ by Alexeev [Ale93] and Shokurov [Sho94]. In [Kaw15,Kaw14], Kawakita proves the ACC conjecture on the interval $[1,3]$ for three-dimensional smooth varieties, and the discreteness of the minimal log discrepancies for a fixed variety. In [Nak16b], the third author generalizes the discreteness result by Kawakita to the varieties with fixed Gorenstein index and proves the ACC conjecture for canonical three-folds when $I$ is a finite set. We refer the reader to [Amb06, MN18, Kaw21, HLS, HL20, Mor21, Mor23] for other developments related to the ACC conjecture.

The LSC conjecture predicts that the minimal log discrepancies satisfy the lower semi-continuity.

**Conjecture 1.2** (LSC conjecture, [Amb99]). Let $(X,\Delta)$ be a log pair. Then the function

$$m : |X|_0 \to \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty\}; \quad x \mapsto \text{mld}_x(X,\Delta)$$

is lower semi-continuous, where $|X|_0$ denotes the set of all closed points of $X$ with the Zariski topology.

The LSC conjecture is proposed by Ambro and proved when $d \leq 3$ [Amb99]. Ein, Mustatǎ and Yasuda in [EMY03] prove the conjecture when $X$ is smooth using the jet scheme theory, and Ein and Mustatǎ in [EM04] generalize the argument to the case where $X$ is a locally complete intersection variety. In [Nak16a], the third author proves the conjecture when $X$ has quotient singularities, more generally when $X$ has a crepant resolution in the category of the Deligne-Mumford stacks. In [NS22, NS], the third author and Shibata prove the conjecture when $X$ has hyperquotient singularities.

A usual log pair $(X,\Delta)$ consists of a normal variety $X$ and an $\mathbb{R}$-divisor $\Delta$. A generalized pair $(X,\Delta + M)$ additionally has a b-divisor $M$ over $X$. More precisely, $M$ is the push-forward of a nef Cartier $\mathbb{R}$-divisor on some birational model $X'$ (see Definition 2.1). Then we can extend the definition of the minimal log discrepancy to generalized pairs, and we can also expect the ACC conjecture and the LSC conjecture in this setting.

**Conjecture 1.3** (ACC conjecture for generalized pair). Let $d \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ and let $I \subset [0,\infty)$ be a subset that satisfies the DCC. Then the set $A\text{gen}(d,I)$ defined by

$$A\text{gen}(d,I) := \{ \text{mld}_x(X,B+M) \mid (X,B+M)/\mathbb{Z} \text{ is a generalized pair with dim } X = d, B \in I, M \in I \text{ and } x \in |X|_0. \}$$

satisfies the ACC. See Definition 2.2 (1) for the meaning of $M \in I$.

**Conjecture 1.4** (LSC conjecture for generalized pair). Let $(X,B+M)/\mathbb{Z}$ be a generalized pair. Then the function

$$m : |X|_0 \to \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty\}; \quad x \mapsto \text{mld}_x(X,B+M)$$

is lower semi-continuous.
The main purpose of this article is to confirm that known results on these two conjectures for usual pairs are still valid for generalized pairs.

First, we follow the argument in [Sho94] to prove Conjecture 1.3 in dimension two (see [Mora] for a similar related result). Furthermore, we generalize the argument in [Nak16b] to prove Conjecture 1.3 for varieties with fixed Gorenstein index, and prove partial results on generalized canonical pairs of dimension three.

**Theorem 1.5** (Theorem 5.12). For any DCC subset $I \subset [0, +\infty)$, the set $A_{\text{gen}}(2, I)$ satisfies the ACC.

**Theorem 1.6** (Theorem 6.5). Let $d, r \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ and let $I \subset [0, +\infty)$ be a finite set. Let $P(d, r, I)$ be the set of all generalized log canonical pairs $(X, B + M)/\mathbb{Z}$ with the following conditions:

- $\dim X = d$,
- $rK_X$ is Cartier,
- $B = \sum b_iB_i$ for some $b_i \in I$ and effective Cartier divisors $B_i$,
- $M = \sum m_iM_i$ for some $m_i \in I$ and Cartier divisors $M_i$ such that $M_i = f_*M'_i$ for some projective birational morphism $f : X' \to X$ and nef/\mathbb{Z}$ Cartier divisors $M'_i$.

Then the following set

$$A_{\text{gen}}(d, r, I) := \{ \text{mld}_x(X, B + M) \mid (X, B + M)/\mathbb{Z} \in P(d, r, I), x \in |X|_0 \}$$

is a discrete subset of $[0, +\infty)$.

**Theorem 1.7** (Corollary 6.6). Let $I \subset [0, +\infty)$ be a finite subset. Then the following set

$$A_{\text{gen.can}}(3, I) := \left\{ \text{mld}_x(X, B + M) \mid (X, B + M)/\mathbb{Z} \text{ is a generalized canonical pair of } \dim X = 3 \right\}$$

with $B \in I, M \in I, x \in |X|_0$.

satisfies the ACC. Furthermore, 1 is the only accumulation point of this set.

For the LSC conjecture, we prove that Conjecture 1.4 can be reduced to Conjecture 1.2.

**Theorem 1.8** (Theorem 3.8). Conjecture 1.2 implies Conjecture 1.4.

By this theorem, we can confirm that Conjecture 1.4 is still true in dimension three or when $X$ is smooth for example. In the proof of Theorem 1.8 two lemmas play important roles. The first one is the constructibility of the minimal log discrepancy proved by Ambro (Lemma 3.2). The second one is the limit lemma (Lemma 3.4), which allows us to approximate the minimal log discrepancy of a generalized pair by those of usual pairs.

As we mentioned, Shokurov proved that Conjecture 1.1 and Conjecture 1.2 imply the conjecture of termination of flips [Sho04]. His argument can be easily extended to the generalized setting.

**Theorem 1.9** (Theorem 4.8). Conjecture 1.4 and Conjecture 1.3 imply the termination of flips for generalized log canonical projective pairs.

In the remaining part of this paper, we discuss the theory of complements for generalized pairs. Theorem 6.16 states that it is possible to perturb irrational coefficients preserving $\epsilon$-log canonicity in some sense. This gives a slight generalization of the result by G. Chen and J. Han [CH21, Lemma 3.4]. As an application, we prove Corollaries 6.28 and 6.29 which remove the rationality condition on the coefficient set from the results by Filipazzi and Moraga [FM20]. We note that Corollaries 6.28 and 6.29 overlap with [Che] and [CX22] (see the beginning of Subsection 6.3 and Remark 6.30 for more details).
The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we review some definitions and facts on generalized pairs. In Section 3, we prove some basic properties on the minimal log discrepancies for generalized pair and prove Theorem 1.8 (= Theorem 3.8). In Section 4, we prove Theorem 1.9 (= Theorem 4.8). In Section 5, we prove the ACC conjecture in dimension two (Theorem 1.5 = Theorem 5.12). In Section 6, we study the minimal log discrepancies on varieties of fixed Gorenstein index, and prove Theorem 1.6 (= Theorem 6.5) and Theorem 1.7 (= Corollary 6.6). In Subsections 6.2 and 6.3, we discuss the theory of complements for generalized pairs. Theorems 6.16 and 6.26, Corollaries 6.28 and 6.29 are the main results of these subsections.

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2. Preliminary

2.1. Notation and Convention. Throughout this paper, we work over the field \( \mathbb{C} \) of complex numbers. We follow the notation and terminology in [KM98] and [Kol13].

2.2. Generalized pairs. We recall some notation and properties on generalized pairs. For more detail, we refer the reader to [Bir19] and [Bir21a]. We also refer the reader to [KM98] and [Kol13] for the notation in the minimal model program.

Definition 2.1. A generalized pair \((X, B + M)/Z\) consists of

- a normal variety \(X\) and a quasi-projective variety \(Z\) with a projective morphism \(X \to Z\),
- an effective \(\mathbb{R}\)-divisor \(B\) on \(X\), and
- a \(b\)-\(\mathbb{R}\)-Cartier \(b\)-divisor over \(X\) represented by some projective birational morphism \(\varphi : X' \to X\) and a nef/\(\mathbb{R}\) \(\mathbb{R}\)-Cartier divisor \(M'\) on \(X'\) such that \(M = \varphi_* M'\) and \(K_X + B + M\) is \(\mathbb{R}\)-Cartier.

We say that \(B\) is the boundary part and \(M\) is the nef part of the generalized pair \((X, B + M)\).

Definition 2.2. Let \((X, B + M)/Z\) be a generalized pair.

1. Let \(I \subset [0, +\infty)\) be a subset. Then we write \(B \in I\) when all nonzero coefficients of \(B\) belong to \(I\). By abuse of notation, we also write \(M \in I\) when \(M' = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq \ell} r_i M'_i\) holds for some positive real numbers \(r_1, \ldots, r_\ell \in I\) and nef/\(\mathbb{R}\) Cartier divisors \(M'_1, \ldots, M'_\ell\) possibly replacing \(X'\). This definition is natural when considering an NQC generalized pair (see [HL22] Section 2.6) for more detail.
(2) For a prime divisor $E$ over $X$, we define the *generalized log discrepancy* $a_E(X, B + M)$ as follows. Possibly replacing $X'$ with a higher model, we may assume that $\varphi$ is a log resolution of $(X, B)$ and that $E$ is a divisor on $X'$. We define an $\mathbb{R}$-divisor $B'$ on $X'$ by

$$K_{X'} + B' + M' = \varphi^*(K_X + B + M).$$

Then we define $a_E(X, B + M) := 1 - \text{coeff}_E B'$. The image $\varphi(E)$ is called the center of $E$ on $X$ and we denote it by $c_X(E)$.

(3) Let $W \subset X$ be a closed subset. Then we define the *generalized minimal log discrepancy* $\text{mld}_W(X, B + M)$ along $W$ as

$$\text{mld}_W(X, B + M) := \inf_{c_X(E) \subset W} a_E(X, B + M)$$

if $\dim X \geq 2$, where the infimum is taken over all prime divisors $E$ over $X$ with center $c_X(E) \subset W$. When $\dim X = 1$, we define $\text{mld}_W(X, B + M) := \inf_{c_X(E) \subset W} a_E(X, B + M)$ if the infimum is non-negative and $\text{mld}_W(X, B + M) := -\infty$ otherwise. For simplicity of notation, we write $\text{mld}(X, B + M)$ instead of $\text{mld}_X(X, B + M)$.

(4) Let $\eta$ be a scheme-theoretic point of $X$ of codim $\eta \geq 1$. Then we define the *generalized minimal log discrepancy* $\text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M)$ at $\eta$ as

$$\text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) := \inf_{c_X(E) = \{\eta\}} a_E(X, B + M)$$

if codim $\eta \geq 2$, where the infimum is taken over all prime divisors $E$ over $X$ with center $c_X(E) = \{\eta\}$. When codim $\eta = 1$, we define $\text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) := \inf_{c_X(E) = \{\eta\}} a_E(X, B + M)$ if the infimum is non-negative and $\text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) := -\infty$ otherwise. We denote $\text{mld}_\eta(X) = \text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M)$ if $B = B' = 0$.

(5) When $\text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) \geq 0$ in (4), we say that a divisor $E$ over $X$ *computes* $\text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M)$ if $c_X(E) = \{\eta\}$ and $\text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) = a_E(X, B + M)$ hold. When $\text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) = -\infty$, we say that $E$ *computes* $\text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M)$ if $c_X(E) = \{\eta\}$ and $a_E(X, B + M) < 0$ hold.

(6) We say that $(X, B + M)$ is *generalized log canonical* (generalized lc for short) if $\text{mld}(X, B + M) \geq 0$ holds. We say that $(X, B + M)$ is *generalized Kawamata log terminal* (generalized klt for short) if $\text{mld}(X, B + M) > 0$ holds. Furthermore, for $\epsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ we say that $(X, B + M)$ is *generalized $\epsilon$-lc* if $\text{mld}(X, B + M) \geq \epsilon$ holds.

(7) A *generalized non-klt center* of $(X, B + M)$ is the center $c_X(E)$ of a divisor $E$ over $X$ with $a_E(X, B + M) \leq 0$.

(8) We say that $(X, B + M)$ is *generalized dlt* when the following two conditions hold:

- $(X, B + M)$ is generalized lc.
- If $\eta$ is the generic point of a generalized non-klt center of $(X, B + M)$, then $(X, B)$ is log smooth at $\eta$ and $M' = \varphi^* M$ holds over a neighborhood of $\eta$.

(9) Let $f : Y \to X$ be a projective birational morphism. Possibly replacing $\varphi$, we may assume that $\varphi$ factors through $f$. Then we define $B_Y$ by

$$K_Y + B_Y + M_Y = f^*(K_X + B + M),$$

where $M_Y$ is the push-forward of $M'$ on $Y$. We say that $(Y, B_Y + M_Y)$ is a *$\mathbb{Q}$-factorial generalized dlt model* of $(X, B + M)/Z$ if the following three conditions hold:

- $Y$ is $\mathbb{Q}$-factorial.
- $(Y, B_Y + M_Y)$ is generalized dlt.
• \( a_E(X, B + M) = 0 \) holds for any \( f \)-exceptional divisor \( E \).

By [11,22, Proposition 3.10], a \( \mathbb{Q} \)-factorial generalized dlt model always exists for every generalized lc pair \((X, B + M)/Z\).

(10) Suppose that \((X, B + M)\) is generalized lc. Let \( D \) be an effective \( \mathbb{R} \)-divisor on \( X \), and let \( N' \) be a nef/Z \( \mathbb{R} \)-Cartier divisor on \( X' \). We assume that \( D + N \) is \( \mathbb{R} \)-Cartier, where \( N := \varphi_* N' \). Then \((X,(B + tD) + (M + tN))/Z\) is a generalized pair for each \( t \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \). We define the \textit{generalized lc threshold} of \( D + N \) with respect to \((X, B + M)\) as

\[
\sup\{ t \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \mid (X, (B + tD) + (M + tN)) \text{ is generalized lc} \}.
\]

Here, we regard \( B + tD \) as the boundary part and \( M + tN \) as the nef part of \((X, (B + tD) + (M + tN))\).

(11) Let \( E \) be a divisor over \( X \). Suppose that \( X \) is \( \mathbb{Q} \)-Gorenstein at the generic point of \( c_X(E) \). Then we define the \textit{order} \( \text{ord}_E(B + M) \) at \( E \) as follows. Possibly replacing \( \varphi \), we may assume that \( E \) is a divisor on \( X' \). We define an \( \mathbb{R} \)-divisor \( C \) on \( X' \) by

\[
C + M' = \varphi^*(B + M).
\]

Then we define \( \text{ord}_E(B + M) := \text{coeff}_E C \). Since \( B \geq 0 \) and \( M' \) is nef/Z, we have \( \text{ord}_E(B + M) \geq 0 \).

(12) Let \( \eta \) be a scheme-theoretic point of \( X \) of codim \( \eta \geq 1 \). Suppose that \( X \) is smooth at \( \eta \). Then we define the \textit{multiplicity} \( \text{mult}_\eta(B + M) \) as follows. If codim \( \eta \) = 1, then \( \text{mult}_\eta(B + M) := \text{coeff}_E B \), where \( E \) is the corresponding prime divisor to \( \eta \). We assume codim \( \eta \geq 2 \) in what follows. Let \( Y \rightarrow X \) be the blow-up along \( \{\eta\} \) and \( E \) the divisor on \( Y \) that dominates \( \{\eta\} \). Then we define \( \text{mult}_\eta(B + M) := \text{ord}_E(B + M) \).

\textbf{Remark 2.3.}  

(1) For a generalized pair \((X, B + M)/Z\) with \( M' = 0 \), the invariants defined in Definition 2.2 coincide with those for a usual pair \((X, B)\).

(2) A referee kindly pointed out that the condition “\( M' = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq t} r_i M_i' \)” in Definition 2.2 (1) can be weakened to “\( M' = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq t} r_i M_i' \)” without loss of generality because the invariants defined in Definition 2.2 remain unchanged even if \( M' \) is replaced with a numerically equivalent one.

We list basic facts on generalized minimal log discrepancies.

\textbf{Remark 2.4.} Let \((X, B + M)/Z\) be a generalized pair and let \( \eta \) be a scheme-theoretic point of \( X \) of codim \( \eta \geq 1 \).

(1) Let \( \varphi : X' \rightarrow X \) be the birational morphism in Definition 2.1. We define an \( \mathbb{R} \)-divisor \( B' \) by

\[
K_{X'} + B' + M' = \varphi^*(K_X + B + M).
\]

Then we have

\[
a_E(X, B + M) = a_E(X', B')
\]

for any divisor \( E \) over \( X \). Hence we have

\[
\text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) = \inf_{c_X(E) = \{\eta\}} a_E(X', B'),
\]

where the infimum is taken over all prime divisors \( E \) over \( X \) with center \( c_X(E) = \{\eta\} \). This observation allows us to prove the remarks below, which are well-known for usual pairs (that is, the case when \( M' = 0 \)).

(2) Possibly replacing \( \varphi \), we may assume that \( \varphi \) is a log resolution of \((X, B)\). Then \( \text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) = -\infty \) holds if and only if \( a_E(X, B + M) < 0 \) and \( \eta \in c_X(E) \) hold for some prime divisor \( E \) on \( X' \). Moreover, such \( E \) can be found in the divisors contained in the \( \varphi \)-exceptional locus or the strict transform of \( B \).
For any \( \eta \in X \), possibly replacing \( \varphi \), we may assume that \( \varphi \) is a log resolution of the triple \((X, B, \{n\eta\})\). If \( \text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) \geq 0 \), then some divisor on \( X' \) computes \( \text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) \).

4. The set \( \{ \eta \in X \mid \text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) = -\infty \} \) is a closed subset of \( X \). This follows from \( (2) \).

5. If \( \text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) < 0 \), then \( \text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) = -\infty \).

6. If \( \text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) \geq 0 \), then the infimum in Definition \( (2.2.11) \) is in fact the minimum.

We note that the similar statements as above also hold for \( \text{mld}(X, B + M) \).

2.3. Generalized minimal model program. In this subsection, we collect some facts related to the minimal model program for generalized pairs.

We will start from the basics of the minimal model program for generalized pairs.

Definition 2.5 (Generalized minimal model program). Let \( \pi : X \to S \) be a projective morphism of quasi-projective varieties and \((X, B + M)/Z\) a \(\mathbb{Q}\)-factorial generalized lc pair. Suppose that \( X \to Z \) in Definition \( (2.1) \) factors through \( \pi : X \to S \). Assume that there exists an extremal ray \( R_1 \subset \overline{\mathcal{NE}(X/S)} \) such that \((K_X + B + M) \cdot R_1 < 0 \) and we have an extremal contraction with respect to \( R_1 \).

Note that when \((X, B + M)\) is generalized klt, we always have such an extremal contraction. If the contraction is a divisorial contraction or a flipping contraction, let \((X, B + M) \to (X_1, B_1 + M_1)\) be the divisorial contraction or its flip, respectively. Here \( B_1 + M_1 \) is the strict transform of \( B + M \) on \( X_1 \). Next, if we find an extremal ray \( R_2 \subset \overline{\mathcal{NE}(X_1/S)} \) with the same conditions as above, we repeat this process. We call this process a generalized minimal model program over \( S \):

\[(X, B + M) = (X_0, B_0 + M_0) \to (X_1, B_1 + M_1) \to \cdots \to (X_i, B_i + M_i) \to \cdots .\]

Furthermore, we call it a sequence of flips when every map \((X_{i-1}, B_{i-1} + M_{i-1}) \to (X_i, B_i + M_i)\) is a flip and we say that it terminates if the sequence of flips is not an infinite sequence.

Next, we consider special minimal model programs with some extra data:

Definition 2.6 (Generalized minimal model program with scaling). Let \( \pi : X \to S \) and \((X, B + M)/Z\) be as in Definition \( (2.5) \). Suppose that \((X, B + M)\) is generalized klt. Let \( H \) be an effective \( \mathbb{R} \)-divisor such that \((K_X + B + H + M)\) is \( \pi \)-nef and \((X, B + H + M)\) is still generalized lc. We put

\[ \lambda_1 := \inf \{ \alpha \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \mid K_X + B + \alpha H + M \text{ is } \pi \text{-nef} \}. \]

If \((K_X + B + M)\) is not \( \pi \)-nef, then \( \lambda_1 > 0 \) and there exists an extremal ray \( R_1 \subset \overline{\mathcal{NE}(X/S)} \) such that \((K_X + B + M) \cdot R_1 < 0 \) and \((K_X + B + \lambda_1 H + M) \cdot R_1 = 0 \) (cf. [BZ16, Section 4]). We consider the extremal contraction with respect to this \( R_1 \). If it is a divisorial contraction or a flipping contraction, let

\[(X, B + M) \to (X_1, B_1 + M_1)\]

be the divisorial contraction or its flip. Note that \((K_{X_1} + B_1 + \lambda_1 H_1 + M_1)\) is \( \pi \)-nef, where \( H_1 \) is the strict transform of \( H \) on \( X_1 \). We put

\[ \lambda_2 := \inf \{ \alpha \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \mid K_{X_1} + B_1 + \alpha H_1 + M_1 \text{ is } \pi \text{-nef} \}. \]

If \((K_{X_1} + B_1 + M_1)\) is not \( \pi \)-nef, we can find an extremal ray \( R_2 \) by the same way as above. We repeat this process and get a sequence

\[(X, B + M) = (X_0, B_0 + M_0) \to (X_1, B_1 + M_1) \to \cdots \to (X_i, B_i + M_i) \to \cdots ,\]
with $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \lambda_3 \geq \cdots$, where

$$
\lambda_i := \inf \{ \alpha \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \mid K_{X_{i-1}} + B_{i-1} + \alpha H_{i-1} + M_{i-1} \text{ is } \pi\text{-nef} \}
$$

and $H_{i-1}$ is the strict transform of $H$ on $X_{i-1}$. We call this process a generalized minimal model program for $(X, B + M)$ with scaling of $H$ over $S$.

In Definition 2.6, we have assumed that $(X, B + M)$ is generalized lc. We note that the existence of $R_1$ is a problem when the pair is generalized lc.

**Theorem 2.7** ([BZ16] Lemma 4.4(1)). Let $(X, B + M)/Z$ be a $\mathbb{Q}$-factorial generalized lc pair with $X$ klt. Suppose that $K_X + B + M$ is not pseudo-effective over $Z$. Then, for a general ample $\mathbb{R}$-divisor $H$, a generalized minimal model program with scaling of $H$ for $(X, B + M)$ exists and terminates with a Mori fiber space.

**Theorem 2.8.** Let $(X, B + M)/Z$ be a generalized klt pair and let $E$ be an exceptional divisor over $X$ with $a_E(X, B + M) \leq 1$. Then there exists a projective birational morphism $f : W \to X$ such that $E$ is the only $f$-exceptional divisor.

**Proof.** Take a log resolution $\psi : Y \to X$ of $(X, B)$ such that $E$ is on $Y$. We may assume that $\varphi : X' \to X$ factors through $\psi : Y \to X$ and $M_Y$ is nef$/Z$, where $M_Y$ is the push-forward of $M'$ on $Y$. Write $\psi^*(K_X + B + M) + F = K_Y + B_Y + M_Y$, where $F$ and $B_Y$ are effective and with no common components. Let $G$ be the sum of $\psi$-exceptional divisors except for $E$. Take a sufficiently small $\epsilon > 0$ such that $(Y, B_Y + \epsilon G + M_Y)$ is generalized klt. Then we run a generalized MMP for $(Y, B_Y + \epsilon G + M_Y)/Z$ over $X$ with scaling of general ample divisor $H$. This MMP exists and terminates with a minimal model $W$ by [BZ16] Lemma 4.4(2)]. By applying the negativity lemma to the push-forward of $\epsilon G + F$ on $W$, the minimal model $f : W \to X$ turns out to have only exceptional divisor $E$. □

### 2.4. Divisorial adjunction for generalized pairs

We recall the construction of divisorial adjunction for generalized pairs. In the minimal model theory, the divisorial adjunction is a significant tool in arguments by induction on dimension.

**Definition 2.9** (cf. [Bir19], 3.1). Let $(X, B + M)/Z$ be a generalized pair and let $\varphi : X' \to X$ be the birational morphism in Definition 2.1. Replacing $X'$, we may assume that $\varphi$ is a log resolution of $(X, B)$. Let $S$ be the normalization of a component of $B$ with coefficient 1, and let $S'$ be the strict transform of $S$ on $X'$. We define an $\mathbb{R}$-divisor $B'$ on $X'$ by

$$
K_{X'} + B' + M' = \varphi^*(K_X + B + M).
$$

Then we set $B_{S'} = (B' - S')|_{S'}$ and pick $M_{S'} \sim_\mathbb{R} M'|_{S'}$. By the adjunction, we have

$$
K_{S'} + B_{S'} + M_{S'} \sim_\mathbb{R} (K_{X'} + B' + M')|_{S'}. \tag{2.16}
$$

We denote by $\varphi_{S'} : S' \to S$ the induced morphism. We set $B_S = \varphi_{S*}B_{S'}$ and $M_S = \varphi_{S*}M_{S'}$. Then, $(S, B_S + M_S)/Z$ is a generalized pair satisfying

- $K_S + B_S + M_S \sim_\mathbb{R} (K_X + B + M)|_S$
- $K_{S'} + B_{S'} + M_{S'} = \varphi_{S'}^*(K_S + B_S + M_S)$.

We call $(S, B_S + M_S)$ or $K_S + B_S + M_S$ the divisorial adjunction for the generalized pair $(X, B + M)$ and $S$. We remark that if $(X, B + M)$ is generalized lc, then $(S, B_S + M_S)$ is also generalized lc by the construction ([BZ16] Remark 4.8).

**Remark 2.10.** In Definition 2.9, the divisor $B_S$ is uniquely determined by $B$ and $M'$ as a divisor, while $M_{S'}$ is defined only up to $\mathbb{R}$-linear equivalence. We can observe that if $M' = \sum m_iM_i'$ with $m_i > 0$ and $M'_i$ nef$/Z$ Cartier, then we can pick some Cartier divisors $M_i\sim M_i'|_{S'}$ and take $M_{S'} = \sum m_iM_i|_{S'}$. Note here that some of $M_i\sim M_i'|_{S'}$ might be numerically trivial.
The following lemma is from [Bir19, Lemma 3.3]. We shall write down the coefficients of $M'$ more explicitly.

**Lemma 2.11.** Under the settings and the notation in Definition 2.9, assume that

- $(X, B + M)/Z$ is generalized lc,
- $B = \sum b_i B_i$, where $B_i$'s are prime divisors on $X$, and
- $M' = \sum m_i M_i'$ as in Remark 2.10.

Then the coefficients of $B_S$ are of the form

$$1 - \frac{1}{\ell} + \sum \frac{\alpha_i b_i + \sum \beta_j m_j}{\ell},$$

where $\ell \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$, $\alpha_i, \beta_j \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$, and $M_{S'}$ can be chosen to be of the form

$$\sum m_i M_i, S',$$

where $M_i, S'$ are nef$/Z$ Cartier divisors on $S'$.

**Proof.** We take over the notations in Definition 2.9. We have already seen the assertion for $M_{S'}$ in Remark 2.10. In what follows, we shall show the assertion for $B_S$. By taking general hypersurface sections (see [BZ16, Remark 4.8]), we may assume that $\dim X = 2$. Note that, in particular, $X$ is $\mathbb{Q}$-factorial (cf. [KM98, Proposition 4.11(1)]). For any fixed closed point $v \in S$, we shall show that $\mu_v B_S$ is of the form in the statement. Since $(S, B_S + M_S)$ is generalized lc, we have $\mu_v B_S \leq 1$. We may assume that $\mu_v B_S < 1$. We define $\tilde{B}_S$ by the divisorial adjunction for usual pairs:

$$K_S + \tilde{B}_S = (K_X + B)|_S.$$

Then by the relative nefness of $M'$ and the negativity lemma, we have $\tilde{B}_S \leq B_S$. Therefore, by the inversion of adjunction for surfaces (cf. [Sho93, Corollary 3.12]), $(X, B)$ is plt at the image $v' \in X$ of $v$.

By the adjunction for usual pairs (cf. [Sho93, Proposition 3.9 and Corollary 3.10]), there exists $\ell \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ such that $\ell D$ is Cartier at $v'$ for any Weil divisor $D$ on $X$, and we have

$$\mu_v \tilde{B}_S = 1 - \frac{1}{\ell} + \sum \frac{\alpha_i b_i}{\ell}$$

for some $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$. We write $\varphi^* M_i = M_i' + E_i$. Then $E_i \geq 0$ holds by the relative nefness of $M_i'$ and the negativity lemma. Since $M_i'$ is Cartier, $M_i$ is integral and hence $\ell M_i$ is Cartier at $v'$. Therefore $\ell E_i$ is also Cartier over $v'$. By construction, it follows that $B_S = \tilde{B}_S + \sum m_i E_i S$, where $E_i S := \varphi_{S'}(E_i|S')$. Since $\ell E_i S = \varphi_{S'}(\ell E_i|S')$ is integral, we have

$$\mu_v B_S = 1 - \frac{1}{\ell} + \sum \frac{\alpha_i b_i}{\ell} + \sum \frac{\beta_j m_j}{\ell}$$

for some $\beta_j \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$, which completes the proof. \qed

### 3. Lower semi-continuity conjecture for generalized mld’s

#### 3.1. Basic properties on generalized minimal log discrepancies

In this subsection, following Ambro’s paper [Amb99], we prove the finiteness and the constructibility of the mld function (Lemma 3.2), which is weaker than the lower semi-continuity conjecture (Conjecture 3.3). We also prove that the minimal log discrepancy of a generalized pair can be approximated by those of usual pairs (Lemma 3.4). Both Lemmas 3.2 and 3.4 will be important in the next subsection, where we reduce the lower semi-continuity conjecture for generalized pairs to that for usual pairs.

The following lemma is a generalization of [Amb99, Proposition 2.1] to the generalized setting. The same proof in [Amb99, Proposition 2.1] also works in this setting.
Lemma 3.1. Let \((X, B+M)/Z\) be a generalized pair, and let \(\eta\) be a scheme-theoretic point of \(X\) with \(\text{codim} \, \eta \geq 1\). Then there exists an open set \(U \subset |X|_0\) with \(\{\eta\} \cap U \neq \emptyset\) such that
\[
mld_\xi(X, B + M) = \text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) + \text{dim} \, \eta
\]
holds for any \(x \in \{\eta\} \cap U\).

Proof. We may assume that \((X, B + M)\) is generalized lc at \(\eta\) (cf. Remark 2.3[4]). Let \(\varphi : X' \to X\) be the projective birational morphism in Definition 2.1. Possibly replacing \(\varphi\), we may assume that \(\varphi\) is a log resolution of the triple \((X, B, \{\eta\})\).

We define an \(\mathbb{R}\)-divisor \(B'\) on \(X'\) by
\[
K_{X'} + B' + M' = \varphi^*(K_X + B + M).
\]
Let \(\{D_i\}_{i \in I}\) be the set of the \(\varphi\)-exceptional divisors, the components of \(\varphi_{-1}^*B\), and the computing divisors of \(\text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M)\) on \(X'\). We may write
\[
B' = \sum_{i \in I} e_i D_i
\]
with \(e_i \leq 1\). Let \(I_{\text{dom}} \subset I\) be the set of the indices \(i\) satisfying \(\varphi(D_i) = \{\eta\}\). Then we have
\[
\text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) = \min_{i \in I_{\text{dom}}} (1 - e_i).
\]

Since \((X', B')\) is log smooth, we have
\[
\text{mld}_\xi(X', B' + M') = \text{mld}_\xi(X', B') = \text{codim} \, \xi - \sum_{\xi \in D_i} e_i
\]
for any scheme-theoretic point \(\xi\) of \(X'\) (cf. [10 Ch.9 Corollary 2.32]).

By generic smoothness, we can take an open set \(U \subset |X|_0\) such that \(\{\eta\} \cap U \neq \emptyset\) with the following two conditions:

(a) For any \(x \in \{\eta\} \cap U\) and any stratum \(C\) of \(\text{Supp}(\sum_{i \in I} D_i)\) that satisfies \(\varphi(C) = \{\eta\}\), it follows that \(\text{dim} \, F = \text{dim} \, C - \text{dim} \, \eta\) for any irreducible component \(F\) of \(C \cap \varphi^{-1}(x)\).

(b) For any stratum \(C\) of \(\text{Supp}(\sum_{i \in I} D_i)\), if \(\varphi(C) \subset \{\eta\}\) and \(\varphi(C) \cap U \neq \emptyset\), then \(\varphi(C) = \{\eta\}\) holds.

In what follows, we shall prove that this \(U\) satisfies the assertion.

Let \(x \in \{\eta\} \cap U\) and let \(\xi \in X'\) be a scheme-theoretic point with \(\varphi(\xi) = x\). Let \(C\) be the minimum stratum of \(\text{Supp}(\sum_{i \in I} D_i)\) that contains \(\xi\). Since \(\varphi\) is a log resolution of \(\{\eta\}\), \(\xi \in D_j\) holds for some \(j \in I_{\text{dom}}\). Therefore, it follows that \(\varphi(C) \subset \{\eta\}\), and hence \(\varphi(C) = \{\eta\}\) by (b). Therefore, by (a), we have

- \(\text{codim} \, \xi - \text{codim} \, C \geq \text{dim} \, \eta\).

Furthermore, since \(j \in I_{\text{dom}}\), we have

- \(1 - e_j \geq \min_{i \in I_{\text{dom}}} (1 - e_i) = \text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M)\).

Therefore, we have
\[
\text{mld}_\xi(X', B') = \text{codim} \, \xi - \sum_{\xi \in D_i} e_i
\]
\[
= (1 - e_j) + (\text{codim} \, \xi - 1) - \sum_{\xi \in D_i, i \neq j} e_i
\]
\[
\geq \text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) + (\text{codim} \, \xi - 1) - (\text{codim} \, C - 1)
\]
\[
\geq \text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) + \text{dim} \, \eta.
\]

Hence we have
\[
\text{mld}_\xi(X, B + M) \geq \text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) + \text{dim} \, \eta.
\]
We shall prove the opposite inequality. Let $D_i$ be a computing divisor on $X'$ of $\text{mld}_x(X,B+M)$ (cf. Remark 2.13). Let $\xi'$ be the scheme-theoretic point of an irreducible component of $D_i \cap \varphi^{-1}(x)$. Then by (a) and (b), the $D_i$ is the unique divisor that contains $\xi'$. Hence we have
\[
\text{mld}_{\xi'}(X',B') = \text{codim} \xi' - e_i = \text{mld}_\eta(X,B+M) + \dim \eta,
\]
which proves
\[
\text{mld}_x(X,B+M) \leq \text{mld}_{\xi'}(X',B') = \text{mld}_\eta(X,B+M) + \dim \eta.
\]
It completes the proof.

As a corollary of Lemma 3.1, we can prove the finiteness and the constructibility of the mld function.

**Lemma 3.2.** Let $(X,B+M)/Z$ be a generalized pair. We denote by $m$ the function defined by the minimal log discrepancy:
\[
m : |X|_0 \to \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty\}; \quad x \mapsto \text{mld}_x(X,B+M),
\]
where $|X|_0$ is the set of all closed points of $X$ with the Zariski topology. Then the following hold.

1. The function $m$ takes finitely many values.
2. The function $m$ is constructible, that is, any fiber of $m$ is a constructible subset of $|X|_0$.

**Proof.** Let $\varphi : X' \to X$ be the birational morphism in Definition 2.1. We define an $\mathbb{R}$-divisor $B'$ on $X'$ by
\[
K_{X'} + B' + M' = \varphi^*(K_X + B + M).
\]
Then for $x \in X_{sm} \setminus \varphi(\text{Supp} B')$, we have
\[
\text{mld}_x(X,B+M) = \text{mld}_x(X) = \dim X.
\]
Hence the function $m$ is constant on a dense open subset of $|X|_0$. Then the assertion follows from Lemma 3.1 by the Noetherian induction.

The following lemma will be used in Lemma 3.4.

**Lemma 3.3.** Let $(X,B+M)/Z$ be a $\mathbb{Q}$-Gorenstein generalized pair and let $E$ be a divisor over $X$. Then there exists a sequence of effective divisors $D_m$ on $X$ such that $K_X + B + D_m$ is $\mathbb{R}$-Cartier and the following two conditions hold.

1. $\text{ord}_F(B+M) \leq \text{ord}_F(B+D_m)$ holds for any divisor $F$ over $X$.
2. $\text{ord}_E(B+M) = \lim_{m \to \infty} \text{ord}_E(B+D_m)$ holds.

Here $\text{ord}_E(B+M)$ on the left-hand side is regarded as the order for a generalized pair defined in Definition 2.2 [14]. The order $\text{ord}_E(B+D_m)$ on the right-hand side is regarded as the order in the usual sense (for a usual pair).

**Proof.** Let $\varphi : X' \to X$ be the birational morphism as in Definition 2.1. We may assume that $E$ is a divisor on $X'$.

Let $A$ be an ample $Z$ divisor on $X$. We may write
\[
\varphi^* A \sim_\mathbb{R} A' + C
\]
for some ample $Z$ $\mathbb{R}$-divisor $A'$ and some effective $\varphi$-exceptional divisor $C$ on $X'$. Let $A_m' \in |M' + \frac{1}{m} A'|_Z$ be a general effective divisor. We define $D_m := \varphi_* A_m'$. Note that $A_m' = \varphi^{-1}_* D_m$ holds by the generality of $A_m'$. Then we have
\[
\varphi^*(B+M) = \varphi^{-1}_* B + M' + \sum_G \text{ord}_G(B+M)G,
\]
\[
\varphi^*(B+D_m) = \varphi^{-1}_* B + A_m' + \sum_G \text{ord}_G(B+D_m)G,
\]
where
where the sums are taken over all \( \varphi \)-exceptional divisors \( G \). Since \( M' \sim_{\mathbb{R}, \varphi} A'_m + \frac{1}{m}C \), it follows that
\[
\operatorname{ord}_G(B + M) = \operatorname{ord}_G(B + D_m) - \frac{1}{m} \operatorname{coeff}_G C.
\]
Therefore we have
\[
\operatorname{ord}_G(B + M) = \lim_{m \to \infty} \operatorname{ord}_G(B + D_m)
\]
for any \( \varphi \)-exceptional divisor \( G \), in particular for \( G = E \). We have proved (2).

Let \( F \) be a divisor over \( X \). Let \( f : Y \to X \) be a birational morphism such that \( F \) is a divisor on \( Y \). We may assume that \( f \) factors through \( \varphi \). We define divisors \( G_1 \) and \( G_2 \) on \( X' \) by
\[
G_1 = \sum_G \operatorname{ord}_G(B + M)G, \quad G_2 = \sum_G \operatorname{ord}_G(B + D_m)G,
\]
where the sums are taken over all \( \varphi \)-exceptional divisors \( G \). Then it follows that
\[
\operatorname{ord}_F(B + M) = \operatorname{ord}_F(\varphi^{-1}B + G_1), \quad \operatorname{ord}_F(B + D_m) = \operatorname{ord}_F(\varphi^{-1}B + A'_m + G_2).
\]
Since \( G_2 - G_1 \) and \( A'_m \) are effective, we have \( \operatorname{ord}_F(B + M) \leq \operatorname{ord}_F(B + D_m) \), which proves (1).

\begin{lemma}
\textbf{Lemma 3.4.} Let \((X, B + M)/Z\) be a generalized pair and let \( \eta \in X \) be a scheme-theoretic point of \( \operatorname{codim} \eta \geq 1 \). Suppose that \( \operatorname{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) > 0 \). Then there exists a sequence of effective divisors \( D_m \) on \( X \) such that the following two conditions hold.
\begin{enumerate}
\item \( \operatorname{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) \geq \operatorname{mld}_\eta(X, B + D_m) \) holds for any scheme-theoretic point \( \xi \in X \) of \( \operatorname{codim} \xi \geq 1 \).
\item \( \lim_{m \to \infty} \operatorname{mld}_\eta(X, B + D_m) = \operatorname{mld}_\eta(X, B + D_m) \) holds.
\end{enumerate}
Here, we regard \( \operatorname{mld}_+(X, B + D_m) \) on the right-hand side as the minimal log discrepancy for a usual pair, not as a generalized pair.
\end{lemma}

\begin{proof}
Let \( \varphi : X' \to X \) be the birational morphism as in Definition 2.1. We may assume that \( \varphi \) is a log resolution of the triple \((X, B, \{\eta\})\). Furthermore, we may assume that there exists a computing divisor of \( \operatorname{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) \) on \( X' \).

We define \( A, A', C, A'_m \) and \( D_m \) as in the proof of Lemma 3.3. Then we have
\[
\varphi^*(K_X + B + M) = K_{X'} + \varphi^{-1}B + M' + \sum_G (1 - a_G(X, B + M))G,
\]
\[
\varphi^*(K_X + B + D_m) = K_{X'} + \varphi^{-1}B + A'_m + \sum_G (1 - a_G(X, B + D_m))G,
\]
where the sums are taken over all \( \varphi \)-exceptional divisors \( G \). By the same way as in the proof of Lemma 3.3, we have
\[
a_G(X, B + M) = a_G(X, B + D_m) + \frac{1}{m} \operatorname{coeff}_G C.
\]
Hence by passing to limit, we have
\[
\lim_{m \to \infty} a_F(X, B + D_m) = a_F(X, B + M)
\]
for each \( \varphi \)-exceptional divisor \( F \). Note that \( \varphi \) is also a log resolution of \((X, B + D_m)\) by the generality of \( A'_m \). If \( \operatorname{codim} \eta = 1 \), then the equality in (2) is clear since we may take \( A'_m \) such that its coefficients approach zero as \( m \) goes to infinity. Suppose \( \operatorname{codim} \eta > 1 \). Then, for each \( m \), some \( \varphi \)-exceptional divisor computes \( \operatorname{mld}_\eta(X, B + D_m) \). Therefore we have
\[
\lim_{m \to \infty} \operatorname{mld}_\eta(X, B + D_m) = \lim_{m \to \infty} \min_F a_F(X, B + D_m) = \min_F a_F(X, B + M),
\]
where the minimum is taken over all divisors \( F \) on \( X' \) with center \( c_X(F) = \{\eta\} \). Hence, we have the equality in (2).
\end{proof}
By the same argument as in the proof of Lemma 3.3 (1), we have
\[ a_F(X, B + M) \geq a_F(X, B + D_m) \]
for any divisor \( F \) over \( X \). Therefore we have the inequality in (1).

3.2. Lower semi-continuity conjecture for generalized mld’s. In this subsection, we reduce the lower semi-continuity of minimal log discrepancies for generalized pairs to that for usual log pairs (Theorem 3.8). First, we recall the lower semi-continuity conjecture.

**Conjecture 3.5 (LSC conjecture).** Let \((X, B + M)/Z\) be a generalized pair. Then the function
\[ |X|_0 \to \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty\}; \quad x \mapsto \mld_x(X, B + M) \]
is lower semi-continuous, where \( |X|_0 \) denotes the set of all closed points of \( X \) with the Zariski topology.

We introduce a different but equivalent formulation of this conjecture.

**Conjecture 3.6.** Let \((X, B + M)/Z\) be a generalized pair. For any two scheme-theoretic points \( \xi, \eta \) of \( X \) with \( \eta \in \{ \xi \} \) and \( \text{codim} \xi \geq 1 \), it follows that
\[ \mld_\eta(X, B + M) \leq \mld_\xi(X, B + M) + \dim \xi - \dim \eta. \]

**Theorem 3.7 (cf. [Am99] Lemma 2.6).** The conjectures Conjecture 3.5 and Conjecture 3.6 are equivalent.

**Proof.** First, we assume Conjecture 3.5. Let \( \xi, \eta \in X \) be two scheme-theoretic points with \( \eta \in \{ \xi \} \) and \( \text{codim} \xi \geq 1 \). By Lemma 3.1, there exist open subsets \( U, V \subset |X|_0 \) such that \( \{ \eta \} \cap U \neq \emptyset \), \( \{ \xi \} \cap V \neq \emptyset \), and
\[ \mld_\eta(X, B + M) = \mld_x(X, B + M) - \dim \eta, \]
\[ \mld_\xi(X, B + M) = \mld_y(X, B + M) - \dim \xi \]
hold for any \( x \in \{ \eta \} \cap U \) and \( y \in \{ \xi \} \cap V \). We fix \( x \in \{ \eta \} \cap U \). Then by Conjecture 3.5, possibly replacing \( U \) with a smaller open subset that still contains \( x \), we may assume
\[ \mld_\eta(X, B + M) \geq \mld_x(X, B + M) \]
for any \( y \in U \). Since \( \{ \xi \} \cap U \cap V \neq \emptyset \), we have the inequality in Conjecture 3.6.

Next, we assume Conjecture 3.6. Let \( a \in \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty\} \). We define \( F \subset |X|_0 \) as
\[ F := \{ x \in |X|_0 \mid \mld_x(X, B + M) \leq a \}. \]
Let \( \overline{F} \) be its closure. It is sufficient to show that \( \overline{F} = F \). Take \( x \in \overline{F} \). Let \( \overline{F}' \) be an irreducible component of \( \overline{F} \) containing \( x \), and let \( \xi \) be the scheme-theoretic point of \( X \) corresponding to \( \overline{F}' \). Then by Conjecture 3.6, we have
\[ \mld_\xi(X, B + M) \leq \mld_\xi(X, B + M) - \dim \xi. \]

On the other hand, by Lemma 3.1, there exists an open subset \( U \subset |X|_0 \) with \( \{ \xi \} \cap U \neq \emptyset \) such that
\[ \mld_\eta(X, B + M) = \mld_\xi(X, B + M) - \dim \xi \]
holds for any \( y \in \{ \xi \} \cap U \). Since \( \{ \xi \} \cap U \cap F = \overline{F}' \cap U \cap F \neq \emptyset \), we have \( \mld_x(X, B + M) \leq a \), which implies \( x \in F \). The proof is complete.

In order to prove Conjecture 3.5 it is sufficient to prove it when \( M' = 0 \).

**Theorem 3.8.** Conjecture 3.5 for \( M' = 0 \) implies Conjecture 3.6.
Proof. Suppose that Conjecture \ref{conj3.5} is true for \( M' = 0 \). Suppose that Conjecture \ref{conj3.5} does not hold for a generalized pair \((X, B + M)/Z\). Then there exists \( a \in \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty\} \) such that the set
\[
F := \{ y \in |X|_0 \mid \operatorname{mld}_y(X, B + M) \leq a \}
\]
is not closed. We may assume that \( a \geq 0 \), otherwise \( F \) is always closed (cf. Remark \ref{rem2.4}). By the constructibility of \( F \) which follows from Lemma \ref{lem3.2}, and by the valuative criterion (cf. \cite[Corollary 15.10]{GW10}) of properness, we can take an irreducible closed curve \( C \subset F \) such that \( C \cap F \) is an open dense proper subset of \( C \). We fix a closed point \( x \in C \setminus F \).

By Lemma \ref{lem3.4} there exists a sequence of effective divisors \( D_m \) such that
\[
(1) \quad \operatorname{mld}_y(X, B + M) \geq \operatorname{mld}_y(X, B + D_m) \quad \text{for each } m \text{ and } y \in |X|_0, \text{ and}
\]
\[
(2) \quad \operatorname{mld}_x(X, B + M) = \lim_{m \to \infty} \operatorname{mld}_x(X, B + D_m) \quad \text{holds.}
\]

We define
\[
F_m := \{ y \in |X|_0 \mid \operatorname{mld}_y(X, B + D_m) \leq a \},
\]
which is a closed subset by the assumption. Then \( F \subset F_m \) holds for each \( m \) by (1). Since \( F_m \) is a closed subset of \( X \) that contains an open dense subset of \( C \), it follows that \( x \in F_m \), and hence \( \operatorname{mld}_x(X, B + D_m) \leq a \). By (2), we have \( \operatorname{mld}_x(X, B + M) \leq a \), which contradicts \( x \not\in F \). \qed

Corollary 3.9. Conjecture \ref{conj3.5} is true for the following cases.
\begin{enumerate}
\item \( \dim X \leq 3 \).
\item \( X \) is smooth.
\item More generally, \( X \) has locally complete intersection singularities.
\item \( X \) has quotient singularities.
\end{enumerate}

Proof. Conjecture \ref{conj3.5} is known when \( M' = 0 \) for each cases (1)-(4) by \cite{Amb99,EMY03,EM04}, and \cite{Nak16a}, respectively. Hence the general case also holds by Theorem \ref{thm3.8}. \qed

4. Termination of generalized MMP’s due to Shokurov

In this section, we discuss the relation to the conjecture of termination of flips.

Conjecture 4.1 (Termination of flips). There is no infinite sequence of flips for generalized lc pairs.

Shokurov proved that this conjecture for usual pairs is true if we assume the ACC conjecture and the LSC conjecture \cite{Sho04}. The purpose of this section is to explain his proof in the generalized setting. First, we prove some lemmas which will be used in the proof.

The generalized minimal log discrepancies satisfy the monotonicity as in the case of usual pairs.

Lemma 4.2. Let \((X, B + M) \rightarrow (X^+, B^+ + M^+)\) be the flip of a generalized pair \((X, B + M)/Z\). Then the following hold.
\begin{enumerate}
\item \( a_E(X, B + M) \leq a_E(X^+, B^+ + M^+) \) holds for any divisor \( E \) over \( X \).
\item \( a_E(X, B + M) < a_E(X^+, B^+ + M^+) \) holds if \( E \) is a divisor over \( X \) whose center \( c_X(E) \) is contained in the flipping locus.
\end{enumerate}

Proof. The assertion follows from the negativity lemma. We refer the reader to \cite[Lemma 3.38]{KM98} for the detailed proof for usual pairs. The same proof works for generalized pairs. \qed

For our purpose, we generalize the ACC conjecture and the LSC conjecture to those for scheme-theoretic points.
Lemma 4.3. Assume Conjecture \([1.3]\). Let \(n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}\) and let \(I \subset [0, +\infty)\) be a DCC subset. Then the following set
\[
\{ \text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) \mid (X, B + M)/\mathbb{Z} \text{ is a generalized pair with } \dim X = n, \ B \in I, M \in I \text{ and } \eta \in X \text{ with codim } \eta \geq 1. \}
\]
satisfies the ACC, where \(\eta\) is a scheme-theoretic point of \(X\).

Proof. The assertion follows from Conjecture \([1.3]\) and Lemma \([3.1]\). \(\square\)

Lemma 4.4. Assume Conjecture \([3.5]\). Let \((X, B + M)/\mathbb{Z}\) be a generalized pair, and \(d\) a non-negative integer such that \(d \leq \dim X - 1\). Then the function
\[
m : |X|_d \to \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty\}; \quad \eta \mapsto \text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M)
\]
is lower semi-continuous, where \(|X|_d\) is the set of all \(d\)-dimensional scheme-theoretic points of \(X\) with the Zariski topology.

Proof. The assertion follows from Conjecture \([3.5]\) and Lemma \([3.1]\). \(\square\)

Lemma 4.5. Let \((X, B + M)/\mathbb{Z}\) be a generalized pair. Then the following set
\[
\{ \text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) \mid \eta \in X \text{ with codim } \eta \geq 1. \}
\]
is a finite set.

Proof. The assertion follows from Lemmas \([4.2]\) and \([3.1]\). \(\square\)

In the proof of Theorem \([4.8]\), the finiteness of the dimension of \(N_k(X)\) plays an important role.

Definition 4.6 (cf. [Ful98] Examples 19.1.3–19.1.6, [Kol96] Ch. II. (4.1.5))). Let \(X\) be a reduced projective scheme and let \(k\) be a non-negative integer. We denote by \(Z_k(X)\) the group of \(k\)-dimensional algebraic cycles on \(X\) with rational coefficients. All cycles which are numerically equivalent to zero form a subgroup of \(Z_k(X)\), and we denote by \(N_k(X)\) the quotient group. Then \(N_k(X)\) is a finite-dimensional \(\mathbb{Q}\)-vector space (cf. [Ful98] Example 19.1.4)).

Lemma 4.7. Let \(f : X \to Y\) be a dominant rational map of reduced projective schemes. Suppose that \(f\) induces a birational map on each irreducible component of \(X\) and \(Y\). Let \(k\) be a positive integer. Suppose that \(f^{-1}\) does not contract any \(k\)-dimensional subvariety of \(Y\). Then the following hold.

1. \(\dim N_k(X) \geq \dim N_k(Y)\) holds.
2. \(\dim N_k(X) > \dim N_k(Y)\) holds if \(f\) contracts some \(k\)-dimensional subvariety of \(X\).

Proof. We have (1) since \(f_* : N_k(X) \to N_k(Y)\) is surjective. Suppose that a subvariety \(W \subset X\) of dimension \(d\) is contracted by \(f\). Then the cycle \([W]\) satisfies \([W] \neq 0\) in \(Z_k(X)\) and \(f_*[W] = 0\) in \(Z_k(Y)\). Hence we have (2). \(\square\)

Shokurov proved that the ACC conjecture and the LSC conjecture imply the conjecture of termination of flips for usual pairs in [Sho03]. His proof can be easily extended to the generalized setting. We shall explain his argument below.

Theorem 4.8. Conjectures \([1.3]\) and \([3.5]\) imply Conjecture \([4.7]\) for generalized pairs \((X, B + M)/\mathbb{Z}\) with \(Z\) projective.

Proof. Let
\[
X = X_0 \xrightarrow{f_0} X_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} \cdots \xrightarrow{f_{i-1}} X_i \xrightarrow{f_i} \cdots,
\]
be an infinite sequence of \((K_X + B + M)\)-flips. Let \(B_i\) and \(M_i\) be the strict transforms of \(B\) and \(M\) on \(X_i\), respectively. Then each \((X_i, B_i + M_i)/\mathbb{Z}\) is a generalized pair.
and each $f_i$ is a $(K_{X_i} + B_i + M_i)$-flip. We denote by $g_i : X_i \to Y_i$ the corresponding flipping contraction and by $g_i^+ : X_{i+1} \to Y_i$ its flip.

We define $Z_i \subset X_i$ and $Z_i^+ \subset X_{i+1}$ as follows:

- $Z_i := \text{excep}(g_i)$ is the flipping locus, that is, the exceptional locus of $g_i$, and
- $Z_i^+ := \text{excep}(g_i^+)$ is the flipped locus, that is, the exceptional locus of $g_i^+$.

For non-negative integers $i$ and $\ell$, we denote

- $a_i := \text{mld}_{Z_i}(X_i, B_i + M_i)$,
- $\alpha_i := \inf \{ a_j \mid j \geq i \}$, and
- $\alpha_i^\ell := \min \{ a_j \mid \ell \geq j \geq i \}$.

**STEP 1:** This step shows that for any $i$ and $\ell$ with $i \leq \ell$, there exists a scheme-theoretic point $\eta \in X_i$ such that $\alpha_i^\ell = \text{mld}_{\eta}(X_i, B_i + M_i)$.

Let $\ell'$ be the minimum $\ell''$ with $i \leq \ell'' \leq \ell$ such that $\alpha_i^{\ell''} = a_{\ell''}$. We prove by induction that for any $j$ with $i \leq j \leq \ell'$, there exists $\eta_j \in X_j$ such that $\alpha_i^{\ell'} = \text{mld}_{\eta_j}(X_j, B_j + M_j)$.

Suppose that $\alpha_i^j = \text{mld}_{\eta_j}(X_j, B_j + M_j)$ holds for $i < j \leq \ell'$ and some $\eta_j$. Then, since $\text{mld}_{Z_{j-1}}(X_{j-1}, B_{j-1} + M_{j-1}) = a_{j-1} > a_i^{\ell'} = \text{mld}_{\eta_j}(X_j, B_j + M_j)$, it follows that $f_{j-1}$ is isomorphic over $\eta_j$ by Lemma 4.2. Hence $\eta_{j-1} := f_{j-1}^{-1}(\eta_j)$ satisfies $\text{mld}_{\eta_{j-1}}(X_{j-1}, B_{j-1} + M_{j-1}) = \text{mld}_{\eta_j}(X_j, B_j + M_j) = \alpha_i^\ell$, which proves the claim of STEP 1.

**STEP 2:** This step shows that we may assume the existence of a non-negative real number $a$ such that

- $a_i \geq a$ holds for any $i \geq 0$, and
- $a_i = a$ holds for infinitely many $i$.

By STEP 1 and Lemma 4.3, the set $\{ \alpha_i^\ell \mid \ell \geq i \}$ is a finite set for each $i$. Therefore $\alpha_i = \alpha_i^\ell$ holds for some $\ell \geq i$, and hence $\alpha_i = \text{mld}_{\eta_i}(X_i, B_i + M_i)$ for some $\eta_i \in X_i$. Since the sequence $\alpha_i$ is non-decreasing, by the ACC conjecture (Lemma 4.3), there exists a positive integer $N$ such that $\alpha_i = \alpha_N$ holds for any $i \geq N$. Therefore, we may have the desired $a$, possibly passing to a tail of the sequence.

**STEP 3:** This step shows that we may assume the existence of a non-negative integer $d$ such that

- For any $i$, any scheme-theoretic point $\eta \in Z_i$ with $\text{mld}_{\eta}(X_i, B_i + M_i) = a$ satisfies $\dim \eta \leq d$.
- For infinitely many $i$, there exists a $d$-dimensional scheme-theoretic point $\eta \in Z_i$ such that $\text{mld}_{\eta}(X_i, B_i + M_i) = a$.

For non-negative integer $i$, we denote $d_i := \max \{ \dim \eta \mid \eta \in Z_i \text{ such that } \text{mld}_{\eta}(X_i, B_i + M_i) = a \}$, $e_i := \max \{ d_j \mid j \geq i \}$.
Since the sequence $e_i$ is non-increasing, there exists a positive integer $N$ such that $e_i = e_N$ holds for any $i \geq N$. Therefore, we may have the desired $d$, possibly passing to a tail of the sequence.

**STEP 4:** Let $S_i$ be the set of the $d$-dimensional scheme-theoretic points $\eta \in X_i$ with $\mld_{\eta}(X_i, B_i + M_i) \leq a$. Let $W_i \subset X_i$ be the Zariski closure of $S_i$. Then by the LSC conjecture (Lemma 4.4), the following condition holds.

- Any $d$-dimensional scheme-theoretic point $\eta \in W_i$ belongs to $S_i$.

**STEP 5:** In this step, we prove that $f_i$ induces

- a bijective map $S_i \setminus Z_i \rightarrow S_{i+1}$, and
- a dominant morphism $f_i^\prime : W_i \setminus Z_i \rightarrow W_{i+1}$.

Let $\eta \in S_i \setminus Z_i$. Then $f_i(\eta) \in S_{i+1}$ holds because

$$\mld_{f_i(\eta)}(X_{i+1}, B_{i+1} + M_{i+1}) = \mld_{\eta}(X_i, B_i + M_i) \leq a.$$ 

Let $\eta \in S_{i+1}$. Suppose $\eta \in Z_i^+$. Then by Lemma 4.2, we have

$$\mld_{Z_i^+}(X_i, B_i + M_i) < \mld_{\eta}(X_{i+1}, B_{i+1} + M_{i+1}) \leq a,$$

and it contradicts STEP 2. Therefore it follows that $\eta \notin Z_i^+$ and it shows that $f_i$ induces a bijective map $S_i \setminus Z_i \rightarrow S_{i+1}$. The second assertion follows from the first one.

**STEP 6:** By STEP 5, the number of the irreducible components of $W_i$ is non-increasing. Hence, passing to a tail of the sequence, we may assume that $f_i$ induces a birational map on each irreducible component of $W_i$. Further by STEP 5 and STEP 4, $f_i^{-1}$ does not contract any $d$-dimensional subvariety of $W_{i+1}$. On the other hand, by the choice of $d$ in STEP 3, there exist infinitely many $i$’s such that $\mld_{\eta_i}(X_i, B_i + M_i) = a$ holds for some $d$-dimensional point $\eta_i \in Z_i$. For such $i$ and $\eta_i$, it follows from STEP 5 that $\eta_i \in W_i$ is contracted by $f_i$. Hence it contradicts Lemma 4.7.

**Remark 4.9.** By the proof of Theorem 4.8 it can be seen that for proving Conjecture 4.1 in dimension $n$, it is sufficient to assume Conjectures 4.3 and 4.5 in the same dimension.

5. ACC conjecture for surfaces

In this section, we prove the ACC conjecture for surfaces (Theorem 5.12). We generalize the argument in [Sho94] to the generalized setting with more detail.

First, we prove the following convexity property of generalized log discrepancies (cf. [Sho94], [Kol13], Proposition 2.37, [MN18] Proposition 4.1).

**Lemma 5.1.** Let $(X, B + M)/Z$ be a generalized lc surface and let $f : Y \rightarrow X$ be a projective birational morphism from a smooth surface $Y$. Suppose that $a_E(X, B + M) \leq 1$ holds for every $f$-exceptional divisor $E$. Then the following hold.

1. Let $E_1$, $E_2$ and $E_3$ be distinct $f$-exceptional divisors such that
   - $E_2$ meets both $E_1$ and $E_3$, and
   - $E_2^2 \leq -2$.
   Then it follows that
   $$a_2 \leq \frac{1}{2}(a_1 + a_3),$$
   where $a_i = a_{E_i}(X, B + M)$.

2. If $E$ is an $f$-exceptional divisor, then $a_E(X, B + M) \leq \frac{2}{E^2}$ holds. In particular, if $(X, B + M)$ is generalized $\epsilon$-lc, then $-E^2 \leq \frac{2}{\epsilon}$ holds.
(3) Let $E_1, E_2$ and $E_3$ be as in (1). Suppose that $(X, B + M)$ is $\epsilon$-lc and $E_2^2 \leq -3$, then it follows that
\[ a_3 - a_2 \geq a_2 - a_1 + \epsilon. \]

Proof. First, we shall prove (1) and (3). Let $\{E_i\}$ be the set of all $f$-exceptional divisors. Let $M_Y$ be the push-forward of $M'$ on $Y$. Then we have
\[ f^*(K_X + B + M) = K_Y + \left( f^{-1}_* B + \sum_i (1 - a_i) E_i \right) + M_Y \]
for $a_i = a_{E_i}(X, B + M)$. Note that $1 - a_i \geq 0$ holds for every $i$ by assumption. We have
\[ 0 = f^*(K_X + B + M) \cdot E_2 = (K_Y + E_2) \cdot E_2 - a_2 E_2^2 + (1 - a_1) E_1 \cdot E_2 + (1 - a_3) E_3 \cdot E_2 \]
\[ + f^{-1}_* B \cdot E_2 + M_Y \cdot E_2 + \sum_{i \neq 1, 2, 3} (1 - a_i) E_i \cdot E_2. \]

Note that $M_Y \cdot E_2 \geq 0$ holds by the projection formula and the nefness of $M'$. Furthermore, it is clear that
\[ (K_Y + E_2) \cdot E_2 \geq -2, \quad f^{-1}_* B \cdot E_2 \geq 0, \]
and the assumptions give
\[ -a_2 E_2^2 \geq 2a_2, \quad (1 - a_1) E_1 \cdot E_2 \geq 1 - a_1, \quad (1 - a_3) E_3 \cdot E_2 \geq 1 - a_3. \]
By combining them, we obtain the desired inequality $2 \geq 2a_2 + (1 - a_1) + (1 - a_3)$, which proves (1).

If $E_2^2 \leq -3$ and $a_2 \geq \epsilon$, we have
\[ a_3 - a_2 \geq (a_2 - a_1) + a_2 \geq (a_2 - a_1) + \epsilon, \]
which proves (3).

(2) follows from the same calculation of $f^*(K_X + B + M) \cdot E$. \hfill \Box

Lemma 5.2. Let $(X, B + M)/Z$ be a generalized lc surface and let $x \in X$ be a closed point. If $\text{mld}_x(X, B + M) > 1$, then $X$ is smooth at $x$.

Proof. Since $X$ is numerically lc, $X$ is $\mathbb{Q}$-Gorenstein. Then
\[ \text{mld}_x(X) \geq \text{mld}_x(X, B + M) > 1 \]
implies that $X$ is terminal at $x$. Hence the surface $X$ is smooth at $x$. \hfill \Box

If the minimal log discrepancy at a smooth closed point $x \in X$ is at least $\dim X - 1$, then the minimal log discrepancy is computed by the exceptional divisor obtained by the blow-up at $x$. See Definition 2.2.12 for the definition of the multiplicity in the generalized setting.

Lemma 5.3 (cf. [Sho94, Example]). Let $(X, B + M)/Z$ be a generalized pair and let $\eta$ be a scheme-theoretic point of $X$ of $\text{codim} \eta \geq 1$. Suppose that $X$ is smooth at $\eta$. Then $\text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) \geq \text{codim} \eta - 1$ holds if and only if
\[ \text{mult}_\eta(B + M) \leq 1 \]
holds. Moreover, in this case, $\text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) = a_E(X, B + M)$ holds for the divisor $E$ obtained by the blow-up of $X$ along $\{\eta\}$.

Proof. If $\text{codim} \eta = 1$, then the assertion is trivial. We assume that $\text{codim} \eta \geq 2$.

Let $f : Y \to X$ be the blow-up of $X$ along $\{\eta\}$, and let $E$ be the exceptional divisor dominating $\{\eta\}$. Then we have
\[ \text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) \leq a_E(X, B + M) = \text{codim} \eta - \text{mult}_\eta(B + M). \]
Therefore, the condition $\text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M) \geq \text{codim} \eta - 1$ implies $\text{mult}_\eta(B + M) \leq 1$.

Next, we assume that $\text{mult}_\eta(B + M) \leq 1$. Let $F$ be a computing divisor of $\text{mld}_\eta(X, B + M)$. Then by Zariski’s lemma (cf. [KM98, Lemma 2.45]), $F$ can be obtained by the sequence of blow-ups along its center. Therefore there exists a sequence of blow-ups

$$X_\ell \to X_{\ell-1} \to \cdots \to X_1 \to X_0 = X$$

with the following conditions:

- $X_{i+1} \to X_i$ is the normalization of the blow-up along $C_i := c_{X_i}(F)$.
- $E_{i+1} \subset X_{i+1}$ is the exceptional divisor of $X_{i+1} \to X_i$ dominating $C_i$.
- $E_\ell = F$ holds, and $\text{codim} C_i \geq 2$ holds for each $0 \leq i \leq \ell - 1$.

Then, we note that the following hold.

- $C_0 = \{\eta\}$.
- For each $0 \leq i \leq \ell - 1$, $E_{i+1}$ is the only exceptional divisor of $X_{i+1} \to X_i$ satisfying $C_{i+1} \subset E_{i+1}$.
- For each $0 \leq i \leq \ell - 1$, $X_i$ is smooth at the generic point of $C_i$.

We set $a_i := a_{E_i}(X, B + M)$ for $1 \leq i \leq \ell$. To prove that $E_1$ is also a computing divisor, it is sufficient to show $a_\ell \geq a_1$. We shall prove $a_i \geq a_1$ for each $1 \leq i \leq \ell$ by induction on $i$. Let $1 \leq c \leq \ell - 1$. Suppose that $a_i \geq a_1$ holds for each $1 \leq i \leq c$. Since we have

$$a_i \geq a_1 = \text{codim} \eta - \text{mult}_\eta(B + M) \geq 2 - 1 = 1$$

for each $1 \leq i \leq c$, it follows that

$$a_{c+1} = a_{E_{c+1}}(X, B + M) \geq a_{E_{c+1}}(X_c, B_c - (a_c - 1)E_c + M_c),$$

where $B_c$ is the strict transform of $B$ on $X_c$, and $M_c$ is the push-forward of $M'$ on $X_c$ (possibly replacing $X'$ with a higher model). Then by Lemma 5.4 below, we have

$$a_{E_{c+1}}(X_c, B_c - (a_c - 1)E_c + M_c) = \text{codim} C_c - \text{mult}_{\eta_{C_c}}(B_c + M_c) + (a_c - 1) \geq \text{codim} C_c - \text{mult}_\eta(B + M) + (a_c - 1) \geq 2 - 1 + (a_c - 1) = a_c \geq a_1,$$

where $\eta_{C_c}$ is the generic point of $C_c$. The proof is complete. \hfill $\Box$

**Lemma 5.4.** Let $(X, B + M)/Z$ be a generalized pair and let $\eta$ be a scheme-theoretic point of codim $\eta \geq 2$. Suppose that $X$ is smooth at $\eta$. Let $f : Y \to X$ be the blow-up of $X$ along $\{\eta\}$. We may assume that $\varphi$ in Definition 2.1 factors through $f$. Then for every scheme-theoretic point $\xi$ of $Y$ such that $f(\xi) = \eta$, we have

$$\text{mult}_\xi(\widetilde{B} + M_Y) \leq \text{mult}_\eta(B + M),$$

where $\widetilde{B}$ is the strict transform of $B$ on $Y$, and $M_Y$ is the push-forward of $M'$ on $Y$.

**Proof.** If $M' = 0$, then the assertion is well-known. We shall prove the general case from the case when $M' = 0$.

By Lemma 3.3 there exists a sequence of effective divisors $D_m$ such that

$$\text{mult}_\eta(B + M) = \lim_{m \to \infty} \text{mult}_\eta(B + D_m).$$

By its proof, we may also assume

$$\text{mult}_\xi(\widetilde{B} + M_Y) = \lim_{m \to \infty} \text{mult}_\xi(\widetilde{B} + \widetilde{D}_m),$$

where $\widetilde{D}_m$ is the strict transform of $D_m$ on $Y$. Hence the desired inequality follows from the case when $M' = 0$. \hfill $\Box$

First, we prove the ACC property on the interval $[1, 2]$. 


Lemma 5.5. For any DCC subset \( I \subset [0, +\infty) \), the set \( A_{\text{gen}}(2, I) \cap [1, +\infty) \) satisfies the ACC.

Proof. Let \((X, B + M)/Z\) be a generalized lc surface with \( B \in I \) and \( M \in I \). Suppose that \( \text{mld}_x(X, B + M) > 1 \). Then by Lemmas 5.2 and 5.3 we have
\[
\text{mld}_x(X, B + M) = 2 - \text{mult}_x(B + M).
\]

Note that \( \text{mult}_x(B + M) \) is contained in the set
\[
\left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} f_i \middle| f_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}, f_i \in I \right\} \cap [0, 1],
\]
which satisfies the DCC. Therefore, the set \( A_{\text{gen}}(2, I) \cap [1, +\infty) \) satisfies the ACC. \( \square \)

Lemma 5.6. Let \((X, B + M)/Z\) be a generalized lc surface and \( x \in X \) a closed point with \( \text{mld}_x(X, B + M) < 1 \). Then there exists a projective birational morphism \( f : Y \to X \) from a smooth surface \( Y \) with the following conditions:

- \( a_F(X, B + M) \leq 1 \) holds for any \( f \)-exceptional divisor \( F \) over \( x \), and
- \( a_E(X, B + M) = \text{mld}_x(X, B + M) \) holds for some \( f \)-exceptional divisor \( E \) over \( x \).

Moreover, we can take such \( Y \) with either of the following conditions.

1. \( f \) is the minimal resolution of \( X \).
2. \( E \) is the unique computing divisor of \( \text{mld}_x(X, B + M) \) on \( Y \), and \( E \) is the unique \((-1)\)-curve among the \( f \)-exceptional divisors over \( x \).

Proof. Let \( Y_0 \to X \) be the minimal resolution of \( X \). If there exists a computing divisor of \( \text{mld}_x(X, B + M) \) on \( Y_0 \), then \( Y := Y_0 \) satisfies the conditions. Otherwise, we fix a computing divisor \( E' \) of \( \text{mld}_x(X, B + M) \) on some higher model. We take the blow-up \( Y_1 \to Y_0 \) of \( Y_0 \) at the center \( c_{Y_0}(E') \). We continue this process
\[
Y_{\ell} \to Y_{\ell-1} \to \cdots \to Y_1 \to Y_0
\]
until \( E' \) is a divisor on \( Y_{\ell} \) (cf. \cite[Lemma 2.45]{KM98}). Let \( 1 \leq j \leq \ell \) be the minimum \( j \) such that there exists a computing divisor \( E \) on \( Y_j \). Then we set \( Y := Y_j \) and \( f : Y \to X \).

Then it is sufficient to show that
- \( a_F(X, B + M) \leq 1 \) holds for any \( f \)-exceptional divisor \( F \) over \( x \).

For each \( 0 \leq i \leq j \), we define \( B_i \) on \( Y_i \) by \( (K_X + B + M)|_{Y_i} = K_{Y_i} + B_i + M_{Y_i} \), where \( M_{Y_i} \) is the push-forward of \( M' \) on \( Y_i \) (possibly replacing \( X' \) with a higher model). Then it is sufficient to show \( B_{j-1} \geq 0 \). Note that \( B_0 \geq 0 \) holds by the negativity lemma. Then we obtain \( B_i \geq 0 \) for \( 0 \leq i \leq j - 1 \) by induction on \( i \) since \( \text{mult}_{y_i} (B_i + M_{Y_i}) > 1 \) for \( y_i := c_{Y_i}(E') \) and \( i \leq j - 2 \) by Lemma 5.3. \( \square \)

Next, we prove the ACC property when the number of the \( f \)-exceptional divisors in Lemma 5.6 is bounded from above.

Lemma 5.7. Let \( \epsilon \) be a positive real number, \( \ell \) a positive integer, and \( I \subset [0, +\infty) \) a DCC subset. Then there exists an ACC subset \( J = J(\epsilon, \ell, I) \subset [0, 1] \) depending only on \( \epsilon, \ell \) and \( I \) such that \( \text{mld}_x(X, B + M) \in J \) holds for any generalized lc surface \((X, B + M)/Z\) and a closed point \( x \in X \) with the following three conditions:

- \( B \in I, M \in I, \)
- \( \epsilon \leq \text{mld}_x(X, B + M) < 1, \) and
- there exists a birational morphism \( f : Y \to X \) as in Lemma 5.6 such that the number of the \( f \)-exceptional divisors over \( x \) is at most \( \ell \).
Proof. Let $E$ be a computing divisor on $Y$ of $\text{mld}_x(X, B+M)$. Since $a_E(X, B+M) \leq 1$, we can construct the extraction $W \to X$ of $E$ (cf. Theorem 2.3). Then we have
\[
\text{deg}(K_W + B_W + M_W + E)|_E = a_E(X, B + M)E^2 \leq 0,
\]
where $B_W$ is the strict transform of $B$ on $W$, and $M_W$ is the push-forward of $M'$ on $W$ (possibly replacing $X'$ with a higher model).

Let $\nu : E^2 \to E$ be the normalization. Then by the generalized adjunction (see Definition 2.9 and Lemma 2.11), there exists a generalized boundary $B_{E'} + M_{E'}$ on $E'$ such that
- $K_{E'} + B_{E'} + M_{E'} \sim_{\mathbb{R}} (K_W + B_W + M_W + E)|_{E'}$,
- $B_{E'} \in I'$ and $M_{E'} \in I'$ hold for some DCC subset $I' \subset [0, +\infty)$ which is determined by $I$.

Since $\text{deg}(K_{E'}) = -2$ and
\[
\text{deg}(B_{E'} + M_{E'}) \in \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{k} f_i \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}, f_i \in I' \right\},
\]
the non-negative real number
\[
a_E(X, B + M) \cdot (-E^2) = 2 - \text{deg}(B_{E'} + M_{E'})
\]
is contained in an ACC set determined by $I$.

Thus it is sufficient to show that $-E^2$ has finitely many possibilities depending only on $\epsilon$ and $\ell$. By Lemma 5.1(2) and the assumption on $\ell$ and $\epsilon$, the weighted dual graph of the $f$-exceptional divisors over $x$ has finitely many possibilities depending only on $\epsilon$ and $\ell$. Since $W$ is obtained by contracting the $f$-exceptional divisors except for $E$, the self-intersection number $-E^2$ on $W$ also has finitely many possibilities depending only on $\epsilon$ and $\ell$. The proof is complete. \hfill $\Box$

We study minimal log discrepancies which are close to 1.

**Lemma 5.8.** Let $\delta$ be a positive real number. Then there are no generalized lc surface $(X, B+M)/\mathbb{Z}$ and a closed point $x \in X$ with the following three conditions.
- $\max\left\{ \frac{2}{3}, 1 - \frac{4}{7}\delta \right\} < \text{mld}_x(X, B + M) < 1$.
- $B \geq \delta$ and $M \geq \delta$.
- There exists a computing divisor of $\text{mld}_x(X, B+M)$ on the minimal resolution $Y$ of $X$.

**Proof.** Suppose the contrary that there exist such $(X, B+M)/\mathbb{Z}$ and $x \in X$. Let $f : Y \to X$ be the minimal resolution of $X$. Since $\text{mld}_x(X, B+M) > \frac{2}{3}$, it follows from Lemma 5.1(2) that any $f$-exceptional divisor $E$ over $x$ is a $(-2)$-curve. Then, by adjunction of $(X, B+M)$ to an $f$-exceptional divisor $E$ over $x$, we have
\[
2 - 2a_E(X, B + M) \geq (f_*^{-1}B + M_Y) \cdot E
\]
(see the proof of Lemma 5.1), where $M_Y$ is the push-forward of $M'$ on $Y$ (possibly replacing $X'$ with a higher model). Since
\[
2 - 2a_E(X, B + M) \leq 2 - 2\text{mld}_x(X, B + M) < \delta,
\]
we have $(f_*^{-1}B + M_Y) \cdot E = 0$ for any $f$-exceptional divisor $E$ over $x$, which implies $B = 0$ and $M_Y = f^*M$ near $x$. Therefore we have
\[
\text{mld}_x(X, B + M) = \text{mld}_x(X) = 1,
\]
which contradicts the assumption $\text{mld}_x(X, B + M) < 1$. Note that the second equality $\text{mld}_x(X) = 1$ follows from the fact that any $f$-exceptional divisor $E$ over $x$ is a $(-2)$-curve. \hfill $\Box$

We introduce a notation that will be used in Lemma 5.11.
Definition 5.9. Let $X$ be a klt surface and $x \in X$ a closed point, and let $f : Y \to X$ be a projective birational morphism from a smooth surface $Y$. Let $\Gamma$ be the dual graph of the $f$-exceptional divisors over $x$. For adjacent vertices $E$ and $F$ in $\Gamma$, we denote by $\Gamma_{E,F}$ the subgraph of $\Gamma$ that is obtained by removing the edge connecting $E$ and $F$ from $\Gamma$. Since $\Gamma$ is a tree (cf. [KM98, Theorem 4.7]), $\Gamma_{E,F}$ has exactly two connected components. We denote by $\Gamma'_{E,F}$ the connected component of $\Gamma_{E,F}$ that contains $E$ as a vertex.

We state a graph-theoretic lemma, which will be used in the proof of Lemma 5.11.

Lemma 5.10. Let $\ell$ be a positive integer and $G$ a connected graph of order $n > \frac{1}{2}(3^\ell - 1)$. Let $v$ be its vertex with degree at most three. If every vertex of $G$ has degree at most four, then the graph $G$ contains a chain of length $\ell$ containing $v$ with degree one.

Proof. Let $G'$ be the subgraph of $G$ obtained by removing the vertex $v$ and all edges incident to $v$. Then $G'$ has at most three connected components, and hence some component $G''$ of $G'$ has order at least $\frac{n-1}{2} > \frac{1}{2}(3^\ell - 1)$. Let $v'$ be a vertex of $G''$ that is incident to $v$ in $G$. Then $v'$ has degree at most three in $G''$. Therefore the assertion follows from the induction on $\ell$. \hfill $\square$

The following lemma is a key of the proof of Theorem 5.12 and gives combinatorial information on the computing divisors.

Lemma 5.11. Let $n$ be an integer larger than one. Set $n' := \log_3(2n + 1) - 1$. Let $(X, B + M)/\mathbb{Z}$ be a generalized lc surface and let $x \in X$ be a closed point. Suppose that

- $0 < \operatorname{mld}_x(X, B + M) < 1$, and
- there exists a birational morphism $f : Y \to X$ as in Lemma 5.6 such that the number of the $f$-exceptional divisors over $x$ is at least $n$.

Let $\Gamma$ be the dual graph of $f$-exceptional divisors over $x$. Then there exists an edge path $E_0 - E_1 - \cdots - E_m$ of length $m \geq \frac{n'}{2}$ with the following three conditions.

1. $E_0$ is a computing divisor of $\operatorname{mld}_x(X, B + M)$.
2. Either of the following two conditions holds:
   - (2-1) $E_1$ is not a computing divisor.
   - (2-2) $E_1, \ldots, E_m$ are computing divisors, $\Gamma_{E_0,E_1}$ contains no computing divisor except for $E_0$, and $\Gamma_{E_0,E_1}$ has no fork.
3. $0 \leq a_{E_i}(X, B + M) - a_{E_0}(X, B + M) \leq \frac{1}{m}$.

Moreover, if $\epsilon$ and $\delta$ are positive real numbers such that

- $\min\{\epsilon, \delta\} > \frac{16}{m'}$, 
- $\operatorname{mld}_x(X, B + M) \geq \epsilon$ and
- $B \geq \delta$ and $M \geq \delta$,

then the following additional three conditions hold.

4. $E_i$ is a $(-2)$-curve for each $1 \leq i \leq \frac{m-1}{2}$.
5. If $\delta \leq \frac{2}{3}$, then the number of the vertices of $\Gamma_{E_0,E_1}$ is at most $\frac{16}{\min\{\epsilon, \delta\}} + 1$.
5'. If $E_0$ is a $(-1)$-curve, then $E_0$ is the unique vertex of $\Gamma_{E_0,E_1}$.

Proof. First, we shall find an edge path $E_0, \ldots, E_m$ satisfying (1) and (2).

Since $X$ is klt at $x$, the dual graph of the minimal resolution of $X$ over $x$ is a tree with at most one fork. Furthermore, if it has a fork, then the fork has exactly three branches (cf. [KM98, Theorem 4.7]). Therefore, by the construction of $Y$ in Lemma 5.6, the dual graph $\Gamma$ satisfies the following condition.
Each vertex of $\Gamma$ has at most four branches. Furthermore, the vertices corresponding to the computing divisors of $\text{mld}_x(X, B + M)$ have at most three branches.

Let $F_0$ be a computing divisor of $\text{mld}_x(X, B + M)$. Then by the condition on $\Gamma$ above, we can take an edge path

$$F_0 - F_1 - \cdots - F_{m'}$$

of length $m'$ with $m' \geq n'$ by Lemma 5.10. Let $j$ be the maximum $j$ such that $F_j$ is a computing divisor. If $j < \frac{n'}{2}$, the chain

$$F_j - F_{j+1} - \cdots - F_{m'}$$

satisfies (1) and (2-1), and it is sufficient to set $E_i := F_{j+i}$ for $0 \leq i \leq m' - j$.

Suppose $j \geq \frac{n'}{2}$. Since $F_0$ and $F_j$ are computing divisors, all vertices of the chain $F_0 - F_1 - \cdots - F_j$ are computing divisors by Lemma 5.1(1). Note that $f : Y \to X$ is the minimal resolution of $X$ in this case since there are at least two computing divisors $F_0$ and $F_1$. Since $\Gamma$ is a tree with at most one fork, one of the following conditions holds:

- $\Gamma_{F_0, F_1}$ is a chain and $F_0$ has at most one branch in $\Gamma_{F_0, F_1}$.
- $\Gamma_{F_j, F_{j-1}}$ is a chain and $F_j$ has at most one branch in $\Gamma_{F_j, F_{j-1}}$.

Hence we may assume the former case, i.e. the graph $\Gamma_{F_0, F_1}$ is a chain:

$$F_{-m''+1} - F_{-m''+2} - \cdots - F_0,$$

where $m''$ is the number of the vertices of $\Gamma_{F_0, F_1}$. Let $k$ be the minimum $k \leq 0$ such that $F_k$ is a computing divisor. Then $F_{k+1}, \ldots, F_{-1}$ are also computing divisors by Lemma 5.1(1). Hence the chain

$$F_k - F_{k+1} - \cdots - F_j$$

satisfies (1) and the three conditions in (2-2). Therefore, it is sufficient to set $E_i := F_{j+i}$ for $0 \leq i \leq j - k$.

We have constructed an edge path $E_0, \ldots, E_m$ satisfying (1) and (2). In what follows, we shall prove that this path satisfies the other conditions (3)-(5)'.

Set $a_i := a_{E_i}(X, B + M)$ for each $0 \leq i \leq m$. Note that

$$0 \leq a_0 \leq a_1 \leq \cdots \leq a_m$$

holds by Lemma 5.1(1). Furthermore, we have

$$a_m - a_0 \geq m(a_1 - a_0)$$

by Lemma 5.1(1). Then (3) follows from the log canonicity $a_0 \geq 0$ and $a_m \leq 1$ (cf. Lemma 5.6).

We shall prove (4). Suppose the contrary that $-E_i^2 \geq 3$ for some $1 \leq i \leq \frac{m}{2}$. Then we have

$$a_{i+1} - a_i \geq a_i - a_{i-1} + \epsilon$$

by Lemma 5.1(3), and hence

$$a_m - a_i \geq (m - i)(a_i - a_{i-1} + \epsilon)$$

by Lemma 5.1(1). Then it contradicts the following inequalities

$$1 \geq a_m, \quad a_i \geq 0, \quad m - i \geq \frac{m}{2}, \quad a_i - a_{i-1} + \epsilon \geq \epsilon > \frac{16}{m} \geq \frac{8}{m}.$$

Next, we shall prove (5'). Suppose the contrary that $E_{-1}$ is an adjacent vertex of $E_0$ in $\Gamma_{E_0, E_1}$. Then by (4), there exists the following chain

$$E_{-1} - E_0 - E_1 - \cdots - E_{m'}$$
in $\Gamma$ with $m' > \frac{m}{2} - 1$ such that $E_1, \ldots, E_{m'}$ are ($-2$)-curves. Since $Y \to X$ factors through the blow-downs of the curves $E_0, \ldots, E_{m'}$, it follows that $-E_2^2 \geq m' + 2$. On the other hand, we have $-E_2^2 \leq \frac{2}{\ell}$ by Lemma 5.1(2). It contradicts the following inequalities

$$\frac{2}{\ell} \geq -E_2^2 \geq m' + 2 > \frac{m}{2} \geq \frac{4}{\ell} > \epsilon.$$

We shall prove (5). By (5'), which has been already proved, we may assume that $-E_0^2 \geq 2$. Note that $f : Y \to X$ is the minimal resolution of $X$ in this case because a computing divisor $E_0$ is not a ($-1$)-curve. Therefore, $\Gamma_{E_0, E_1}$ has at most one fork as discussed in the second paragraph. Suppose the contrary that $\ell > \frac{16}{\min(\epsilon, \delta)}$ and $\Gamma_{E_0, E_1}$ consists of $\ell + 1$ vertices. Since $\Gamma_{E_0, E_1}$ has at most one fork, there exists a chain

$$E_0 - E_{-1} - \cdots - E_{-m'}$$

in $\Gamma_{E_0, E_1}$ with $m' \geq \frac{\ell}{2}$. Then the same argument as in (3) gives

$$0 \leq a_{-1} - a_0 \leq \frac{1}{m'}.$$

Note that we have the inequality

$$(\ast) \ (a_{-1} - a_0) + (a_1 - a_0) < \frac{1}{4} \min \{\epsilon, \delta\}$$

because

$$\frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{m'} \leq \frac{2}{n'} + \frac{2}{\ell} \leq \frac{1}{8} \min \{\epsilon, \delta\} + \frac{1}{8} \min \{\epsilon, \delta\} = \frac{1}{4} \min \{\epsilon, \delta\}.$$

First, we claim that $-E_0^2 = -2$. By adjunction of $(X, B + M)$ to $E_0$, we have

$$2 + E_0^2 a_0 \geq (1 - a_{-1}) + (1 - a_1).$$

Therefore it follows that

$$(a_{-1} - a_0) + (a_1 - a_0) \geq (-E_0^2 - 2)a_0 \geq (-E_0^2 - 2)\epsilon,$$

and we have $-E_0^2 = 2$ by ($\ast$).

We have the following two cases:

(A) $E_{-1}$ and $E_{1}$ are the only $f$-exceptional divisors which meet $E_0$.

(B) $E_0$ meets three $f$-exceptional divisors $E_{-1}, E_1$ and $E'$. Suppose (A). Then by adjunction of $(X, B + M)$ to $E_0$, we have

$$(a_{-1} - a_0) + (a_1 - a_0) = (f^{-1}_* B + M_Y) \cdot E_0,$$

where $M_Y$ is the push-forward of $M'$ on $Y$ (possibly replacing $X'$ with a higher model). Here, we note that at least one of $E_{-1}$ and $E_1$ is not a computing divisor by (2). Therefore, the left-hand side is positive, and hence

$$(a_{-1} - a_0) + (a_1 - a_0) \geq \delta$$

by the assumptions $B \geq \delta$ and $M \geq \delta$. However, it contradicts ($\ast$).

Suppose (B). Set $a' := a_{E'}(X, B + M)$. Then by adjunction of $(X, B + M)$ to $E_0$, we have

$$(a_{-1} - a_0) + (a_1 - a_0) = (f_*^{-1} B + M_Y) \cdot E_0 + (1 - a').$$

Hence we have

$$1 - a' \leq (a_{-1} - a_0) + (a_1 - a_0) < \frac{1}{4} \min \{\epsilon, \delta\}.$$ 

By adjunction to $E'$, we have

$$2 - (-E'^2) a' \geq 1 - a_0 \geq 0.$$ 

Hence, if $-E'^2 \geq 3$, we get a contradiction:

$$0 \leq 2 - (-E'^2) a' \leq 2(1 - a') - a' < \frac{1}{2} \min \{\epsilon, \delta\} - \epsilon < 0.$$
Hence, by passing to a subsequence, we may assume that 
\[\min \{f_{\epsilon} \}\]
be the dual graph of the \(f_{\epsilon}(\Gamma)\) with the following conditions.

By Lemma 5.11(5). By Lemma 5.5, it is sufficient to show that 
\[\text{ACC}\text{.}\]
and 
\[\text{ACC}\text{.}\]
which contradicts Lemma 5.8. The proof of (5) is complete. \(\Box\)

**Theorem 5.12.** For any DCC subset \(I \subset [0, +\infty)\), the set \(A_{\text{gen}}(2, I)\) satisfies the ACC.

**Proof.** Let \(I \subset [0, +\infty)\) be a DCC subset. We may assume that \(\frac{1}{2} \in I\). Let \(\delta\) be the minimum element of \(I \cap (0, +\infty)\). Then we have 
\[\delta \leq \frac{2}{\epsilon},\]
which will be used when applying Lemma 5.11(5). By Lemma 5.3 it is sufficient to show that \(A_{\text{gen}}(2, I)\) satisfies the ACC for any \(0 < \epsilon < 1\). Suppose the contrary that there exist a sequence of generalized lc surfaces \(\{(X_i, B_i + M_i)/Z_i\}_{i \geq 1}\) and closed points \(x_i \in X_i\) with the following conditions.

- \(\epsilon \leq a_0^{(i)} < 1\) holds for each \(a_0^{(i)} := \text{mld}_{x_i}(X_i, B_i + M_i)\).
- \((a_0^{(i)})_{i \geq 1}\) is a strictly increasing sequence.

We fix a resolution \(f_i : Y_i \to X_i\) that satisfies the conditions in Lemma 5.6. Let \(\Gamma^{(i)}\) be the dual graph of the \(f_i\)-exceptional divisors over \(x_i\). Let \(n^{(i)}\) be the number of the \(f_i\)-exceptional divisors over \(x_i\). Then by Lemma 5.7 we may assume

- the sequence \((n^{(i)})_{i \geq 1}\) is strictly increasing.
- the sequence \((n^{(i)})_{i \geq 1}\) is also strictly increasing.

Hence, by passing to a subsequence, we may assume that 
\[\min \{\epsilon, \delta\} > \frac{16}{\text{mld}(\epsilon)}\]
for each \(i \geq 1\). Therefore by Lemma 5.11 for each \(i \geq 1\), there exist \(f_i\)-exceptional divisors \(E_0^{(i)}\) and \(E_1^{(i)}\) over \(x_i\) with the following conditions:

- \(E_0^{(i)}\) is a computing divisor of \(\text{mld}_{x_i}(X_i, B_i + M_i)\).
- \(E_0^{(i)}\) meets \(E_1^{(i)}\).
- \(0 \leq a_1^{(i)} - a_0^{(i)} \leq \frac{2}{\text{mld}(\epsilon)}\), where we set \(a_1^{(i)} := a_{E_1^{(i)}}(X_i, B_i + M_i)\).
- If \(a_1^{(i)} - a_0^{(i)} = 0\), then the graph \(\Gamma^{(i)}_{E_0^{(i)}, E_1^{(i)}}\) is a chain.
- The number of the vertices of \(\Gamma^{(i)}_{E_0^{(i)}, E_1^{(i)}}\) is at most \(\frac{1}{\min \{\epsilon, \delta\}} + 1\).
- If \(E_0^{(i)}\) is a \((-1)\)-curve, then \(E_0^{(i)}\) is the unique vertex of \(\Gamma^{(i)}_{E_0^{(i)}, E_1^{(i)}}\).

In particular, by the fifth condition and Lemma 5.11(2), the weighted dual graph \(\Gamma_{E_0^{(i)}, E_1^{(i)}}^{(i)}\) has finitely many possibilities depending only on \(\epsilon\) and \(I\).

Let \(Y_i \to \tilde{Y}_i\) be the contraction of all the curves contained in \(\Gamma_{E_0^{(i)}, E_1^{(i)}}^{(i)}\). We denote by \(g_i\) and \(h_i\) the following induced morphisms:

\[
Y_i \xrightarrow{g_i} \tilde{Y}_i \xrightarrow{h_i} X_i.
\]

Then, since \(E_0^{(i)}\) is the unique \(h_i\)-exceptional divisor that contains the center of \(E_0^{(i)}\) on \(\tilde{Y}_i\), we have
\[
a_0^{(i)} = a_{E_0^{(i)}}(X_i, B_i + M_i)
= a_{E_0^{(i)}}(\tilde{Y}_i, h_i^{-1} B_i + (1 - a_1^{(i)}) E_1^{(i)} + M_i \tilde{Y}_i)
= a_0^{(i)} - c^{(i)} (1 - a_1^{(i)}),
\]
where $M_i, \tilde{Y}_i$ is the push-forward of $M'_i$ on $\tilde{Y}_i$ (possibly replacing $X'_i$ with a higher model), and we set

$$a^{(i)} := a_{E_0^{(i)}}(\tilde{Y}_i, h_{1s}^{-1}B_i + M_i, \tilde{Y}_i), \quad c^{(i)} := \text{coeff}_{E_0^{(i)}} g_i^{\ast}E_1^{(i)}.$$  

Since the weighted dual graph $\Gamma^{(i)}_{E_0^{(i)}, E_1^{(i)}}$ has finitely many possibilities depending only on $\epsilon$ and $I$, the number $c^{(i)}$ has also finitely many possibilities. Therefore, by passing to a subsequence, we may assume the existence of a positive real number $c$ such that $c^{(i)} = c$ for any $i \geq 1$.

We claim that we may assume $c \leq 1$. First, we have $c^{(i)} = 1$ when $E_0^{(i)}$ is a $(-1)$-curve. Indeed, $E_0^{(i)}$ is the unique vertex of $\Gamma^{(i)}_{E_0^{(i)}, E_1^{(i)}}$ in this case. In what follows, we assume that $E_0^{(i)}$ is not a $(-1)$-curve, and hence $Y_i$ is the minimal resolution of $X_i$ (cf. Lemma 5.6). Since $Y_i$ is also the minimal resolution of $\tilde{Y}_i$, we have $a^{(i)} \leq 1$. Hence we have

$$\frac{2}{n^{(i)}} \geq a^{(i)}_1 - a^{(i)}_0 = a^{(i)}_1 - a^{(i)} + c(1 - a^{(i)}_1) \geq (c - 1)(1 - a^{(i)}).$$

Suppose that $c > 1$. Then we have

$$1 - a^{(i)}_0 = (1 - a^{(i)}_1) + (a^{(i)}_1 - a^{(i)}_0) \leq \frac{c}{c - 1} \cdot \frac{2}{n^{(i)}}.$$

It contradicts Lemma 5.8 for $i$ sufficiently large. Therefore we may assume $c \leq 1$ possibly passing to a tail of the sequence.

Next, we claim that we may assume the following three conditions.

- $(a^{(i)}_1)_i$ is a non-increasing sequence.
- $(a^{(i)}_0)_i$ is an increasing sequence.
- The sequence $(a^{(i)}_1 - a^{(i)}_0)_i$ is a non-increasing sequence which converges to 0.

First, we may assume the third condition by passing to a subsequence because we have

$$0 \leq a^{(i)}_1 - a^{(i)}_0 \leq \frac{2}{n^{(i)}}.$$  

Next, we shall see the first condition. We have

$$a^{(i)} = 1 + \text{coeff}_{E_0^{(i)}} (K_{Y_i, \tilde{Y}_i}) - \text{ord}_{E_0^{(i)}} (h_{1s}^{-1}B_i + M_i, \tilde{Y}_i).$$

Since the weighted dual graph $\Gamma^{(i)}_{E_0^{(i)}, E_1^{(i)}}$ has finitely many possibilities depending only on $\epsilon$ and $I$, the following hold:

- $\text{coeff}_{E_0^{(i)}} (K_{Y_i, \tilde{Y}_i})$ also has finitely many possibilities, and
- $\text{ord}_{E_0^{(i)}} (h_{1s}^{-1}B_i + M_i, \tilde{Y}_i)$ is contained in a DCC set depending on $\epsilon$ and $I$.

Therefore $a^{(i)}$ is contained in an ACC set depending only on $\epsilon$ and $I$. Hence, by passing to a subsequence, we may assume that $(a^{(i)}_1)_i$ is a non-increasing sequence. Furthermore, since we have

$$c(1 - a^{(i)}_1) = a^{(i)} - a^{(i)}_0$$

and $(a^{(i)}_0)_i$ is an increasing sequence, it follows that $(a^{(i)}_1)_i$ is also an increasing sequence.

Recall that

$$(1 - a^{(i)})(1 - c) + (a^{(i)}_1 - a^{(i)}_0) = 1 - a^{(i)}.$$
Therefore by the three claims above, we have
\[ c = 1, \quad a_1^{(i)} - a_0^{(i)} = 0, \quad a^{(i)} = 1 \]
for some \( i \geq 1 \). Since \( a_1^{(i)} - a_0^{(i)} = 0 \), the graph \( \Gamma_{E_0^{(i)}, E_1^{(i)}}^{(i)} \) is a chain. Furthermore, by \( a^{(i)} = 1 \), all vertices of \( \Gamma_{E_0^{(i)}, E_1^{(i)}}^{(i)} \) are \((-2)\)-curves. In this case, we have \( c^{(i)} = \frac{\ell}{\ell+1} \) if \( \ell \) is the number of the vertices of \( \Gamma_{E_0^{(i)}, E_1^{(i)}}^{(i)} \). It contradicts \( c = 1 \). \( \square \)

6. ACC conjecture for varieties with bounded Gorenstein index

6.1. ACC conjecture for varieties with bounded Gorenstein index. Hacon, McKernan, and Xu in [HMX14] prove the ACC for log canonical thresholds. Birkar and Zhang in [BZ16] generalize this result to generalized pairs.

Theorem 6.1 ([BZ16 Theorem 1.5]). Let \( d \) be a positive integer and let \( I \subset [0, +\infty) \) be a DCC subset. Then there exists an ACC set \( J \subset [0, +\infty) \) with the following condition: If \( X, B, M, D \) and \( N \) satisfy

- \((X, B + M)/Z\) is a generalized pair with \( \dim X = d \),
- \( D \) and \( N \) are \( \mathbb{R} \)-divisors on \( X \) with the conditions in Definition 2.7 (1), and
- \( B, D \in I \) and \( M, N \in I \) hold,

then the generalized lc threshold of \( D + N \) with respect to \((X, B + M)\) belongs to \( J \cup \{+\infty\} \).

Theorem 6.2 ([BZ16 Theorem 1.6]). Let \( d \) be a positive integer and let \( I \subset [0, +\infty) \) be a DCC subset. Then there exists a finite subset \( J \subset I \) with the following condition: If

- \((X, B + M)/Z\) is a generalized lc pair with \( \dim Z = 0 \) and \( \dim X = d \),
- \( K_X + B + M \equiv 0 \),
- \( B \in I \), and
- \( M' \) on \( X' \) in Definition 2.7 satisfies \( M' = \sum_k m_k M'_k \) for some nef Cartier divisors \( M'_k \neq 0 \) and some real numbers \( m_k \in I \),

then \( B \in J \) and \( M \in J \) hold.

The following theorem asserts that it is possible to perturb irrational coefficients preserving the log canonicity. The assertion for the usual pairs is proved in [Nak16b] Theorem 1.6 and [HLS] Corollary 5.5 as an application of the rationality of accumulation points of log canonical thresholds [HMX14] Theorem 1.11. For generalized pairs, the same proof also works due to Theorems 6.1 and 6.2 (see [Che] for a detailed discussion).

Theorem 6.3 ([Che Theorem 3.15]). Fix \( d \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \). Let \( r_1, \ldots, r_\ell \) be positive real numbers and let \( r_0 = 1 \). Assume that \( r_0, r_1, \ldots, r_\ell \) are \( \mathbb{Q} \)-linearly independent. Let \( s_1^B, \ldots, s_{c_B}^B : \mathbb{R}^{\ell+1} \to \mathbb{R} \) (resp. \( s_1^M, \ldots, s_{c_M}^M : \mathbb{R}^{\ell+1} \to \mathbb{R} \)) be \( \mathbb{Q} \)-linear functions (that is, the extensions of \( \mathbb{Q} \)-linear functions from \( \mathbb{Q}^{\ell+1} \) to \( \mathbb{Q} \) by taking the tensor product \( \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathbb{R} \)). Assume that \( s_i^B(r_0, \ldots, r_\ell) \geq 0 \) and \( s_j^M(r_0, \ldots, r_\ell) \geq 0 \) for each \( i \) and \( j \). Then there exists a positive real number \( \epsilon > 0 \) such that the following holds: For any normal variety \( X \) of dimension \( d \), a projective morphism \( X \to Z \), a projective birational morphism \( f : X' \to X \), effective Weil divisors \( B_1, \ldots, B_{c_B} \) on \( X \), and nef/Z Cartier divisors \( M'_1, \ldots, M'_{c_M} \) on \( X' \), if the generalized pair

\[
\left(X, \sum_{1 \leq i \leq c_B} s_i^B(r_0, \ldots, r_\ell)B_i + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq c_M} s_i^M(r_0, \ldots, r_\ell)M'_i \right)/Z
\]
is generalized lc, then the pair
\[
(X, \sum_{1 \leq i \leq c^B} s_i^B(r_0, \ldots, r_{\ell - 1}, t)B_i + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq c^M} s_i^M(r_0, \ldots, r_{\ell - 1}, t)M_i)/Z
\]
is also generalized lc for any \( t \in [r_\ell - \epsilon, r_\ell + \epsilon] \).

The following notation will be used in Theorems 6.5 and 6.16.

**Definition 6.4.** For \( d, r \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \) and a finite set \( I \subset [0, +\infty) \), we define \( P(d, r, I) \) as the set of all generalized lc pairs \( (X, B + M)/Z \) with the following four conditions:

- \( \dim X = d \).
- \( r_KX \) is Cartier.
- \( B = \sum_i b_iB_i \) for some \( b_i \in I \) and effective Cartier divisors \( B_i \).
- \( M = \sum_i m_iM_i \) for some \( m_i \in I \) and Cartier divisors \( M_i \) such that \( M_i = f_*M_i' \) for some projective birational morphism \( f : X' \to X \) and Cartier divisors \( M_i' \).

Theorem 6.5 below can be proved by the induction on \( \dim \mathbb{Q} \text{Span}_{\mathbb{Q}}(I \cup \{1\}) \). This idea is originally from Kawakita [Kaw13]. We emphasize here that in Definition 6.4 we assume a Cartier condition on \( B_i \) and \( M_i \). Because of it, we shall use the different notation \( A'_{\text{gen}} \) for such a special set of mld’s.

**Theorem 6.5.** Let \( d, r \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \) and let \( I \subset [0, +\infty) \) be a finite set. Let \( P(d, r, I) \) be the set of generalized lc pairs defined in Definition 6.4. Then the following set
\[
B_{\text{gen}}(d, r, I) := \left\{ a_E(X, B + M) \mid (X, B + M)/Z \in P(d, r, I), E \text{ is a divisor over } X \right\}
\]
is a discrete subset of \([0, +\infty)\).

In particular, the set
\[
A'_{\text{gen}}(d, r, I) := \left\{ \text{mld}_\mathbb{Q}(X, B + M) \mid (X, B + M)/Z \in P(d, r, I), x \in X \right\}
\]
is a discrete subset of \([0, +\infty)\).

**Proof.** The same proof of [Nak16b, Theorem 1.2] works due to Theorem 6.3. For readers’ convenience, we give a proof below.

We may assume \( 1 \in I \). Let \( r_0 = 1, r_1, \ldots, r_c \) be all elements of \( I \). Set \( c' + 1 := \dim \mathbb{Q} \text{Span}_{\mathbb{Q}}\{1, r_1, \ldots, r_c\} \). Possibly rearranging the indices, we may assume that \( r_0, \ldots, r_{c'} \) are \( \mathbb{Q} \)-linearly independent. For each \( 0 \leq i \leq c \), we may uniquely write \( r_i = \sum_{0 \leq j \leq c'} q_{ij}r_j \) with \( q_{ij} \in \mathbb{Q} \).

We prove the discreteness of \( B_{\text{gen}}(d, r, I) \) by induction on \( c' \). If \( c' = 0 \), we can take \( n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \) such that \( I \subset \frac{1}{n}\mathbb{Z} \) and \( \frac{1}{r} \in \frac{1}{n}\mathbb{Z} \). Then we have \( B_{\text{gen}}(d, r, I) \subset \frac{1}{n}\mathbb{Z} \) and \( B_{\text{gen}}(d, r, I) \) turns out to be discrete.

Set \( \mathbb{Q} \)-linear functions \( s_0, \ldots, s_c \) as follows:
\[
s_i : \mathbb{R}^{c'+1} \to \mathbb{R}; \quad s_i(x_0, \ldots, x_{c'}) = \sum_{0 \leq j \leq c'} q_{ij}x_j.
\]

Take \( \epsilon > 0 \) as in Theorem 6.3. We fix \( t^+, t^- \in \mathbb{Q} \) satisfying
\[
t^+ \in (r_{c'}, r_{c'} + \epsilon) \cap \mathbb{Q}, \quad t^- \in [r_{c'} - \epsilon, r_{c'}) \cap \mathbb{Q}.
\]
We define \( r_0^+, \ldots, r_{c'}^+ \) and \( r_0^-, \ldots, r_{c'}^- \) as
\[
r_i^+ = s_i(r_0, \ldots, r_{c' - 1}, t^+), \quad r_i^- = s_i(r_0, \ldots, r_{c' - 1}, t^-).
\]
Furthermore, we set \( I' := \{ r_0^+, \ldots, r_{c'}^+, r_0^-, \ldots, r_{c'}^- \} \). Then we have \( \dim \mathbb{Q} \text{Span}_{\mathbb{Q}}(I') = c' \), and hence \( B_{\text{gen}}(d, r, I') \) is discrete by induction.
Let \((X, \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i B_i + \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i M_i) / Z \in P(d, r, I)\) and let \(E\) be a divisor over \(X\). Since \((X, \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i B_i + \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i M_i)\) is generalized lc, \((X, \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i^* B_i + \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i^* M_i)\) is also generalized lc for each \(* \in \{+,-\}\). Hence we have
\[
0 \leq a_E \left( X, \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i^* B_i + \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i^* M_i \right) = a_E \left( X, \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i B_i + \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i M_i \right) - (t^* - r_{c'}) \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} q_{ie'} \text{ord}_E(B_i + M_i).
\]

Therefore, either of the following holds:
\begin{itemize}
  \item \(0 \leq \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} q_{ie'} \text{ord}_E(B_i + M_i) \leq \epsilon_+^{-1} a_E \left( X, \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i B_i + \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i M_i \right),\)
  \item \(-\epsilon_+^{-1} a_E \left( X, \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i B_i + \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i M_i \right) \leq \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} q_{ie'} \text{ord}_E(B_i + M_i) \leq 0,\)
\end{itemize}

where we set \(\epsilon_+ := t^* - r_{c'}\) and \(\epsilon_- := r_{c'} - t^-\).

It is sufficient to show the discreteness of \(B_{\text{gen}}(d, r, I) \cap [0, a]\) for any \(a \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}\).

Take \(n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}\) such that \(q_{ie'} \in \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{Z}\) for any \(i\). Then, it is sufficient to prove that \(B_{\text{gen}}(d, r, I) \cap [0, a]\) is a subset of the following set
\[
\left\{ b + \epsilon_+ e \mid b \in B_{\text{gen}}(d, r, I'), e \in \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{Z} \cap [0, \epsilon_+^{-1} a] \right\} \cup \left\{ b - \epsilon_- e \mid b \in B_{\text{gen}}(d, r, I'), e \in \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{Z} \cap [-\epsilon_-^{-1} a, 0] \right\}.
\]
In fact, this set is discrete because \(B_{\text{gen}}(d, r, I')\) is discrete, and both \(\frac{1}{n} \mathbb{Z} \cap [0, \epsilon_+^{-1} a]\) and \(\frac{1}{n} \mathbb{Z} \cap [-\epsilon_-^{-1} a, 0]\) are finite.

Let \((X, \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i B_i + \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i M_i) / Z \in P(d, r, I)\) and let \(E\) be a divisor over \(X\). Assume \(a_E \left( X, \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i B_i + \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i M_i \right) \in [0, a]\). Furthermore, suppose \(\sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} q_{ie'} \text{ord}_E(B_i + M_i) \geq 0\) (the same proof also works in the other case). Then, we have
\[
a_E \left( X, \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i B_i + \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i M_i \right) = a_E \left( X, \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i^+ B_i + \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i^+ M_i \right) + (t^+ - r_{c'}) \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} q_{ie'} \text{ord}_E(B_i + M_i).
\]
Here, we have
\begin{itemize}
  \item \(a_E \left( X, \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i^+ B_i + \sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} r_i^+ M_i \right) \in B(d, r, I'),\)
  \item \(t^+ - r_{c'} = \epsilon_+\), and
  \item \(\sum_{0 \leq i \leq e} q_{ie'} \text{ord}_E(B_i + M_i) \in \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{Z} \cap [0, \epsilon_+^{-1} a]\).
\end{itemize}
The proof is complete. \(\square\)

**Corollary 6.6.** Let \(I \subset [0, +\infty)\) be a finite subset. Then the following set
\[
A_{\text{gen.can}}(3, I) := \left\{ \text{mld}_x(X, B + M) \mid (X, B + M) / Z \text{ is a generalized canonical pair of dim } X = 3 \right. \left. \text{with } B \in I, M \in I, x \in \text{dim } X \right\}
\]
satisfies the ACC. Furthermore, 1 is the only accumulation point of this set.

**Proof.** The same proof of [Nak16b, Corollary 1.5] works due to Theorem 5.3. For readers’ convenience, we give a proof below.

Note that \(A_{\text{gen.can}}(3, I) \subset [1, 3]\) holds (cf. [Kaw92, Mar96]). We shall prove that for any \(a > 1\), the set
\[
A_{\text{gen.can}}(3, I) \cap [a, +\infty)
\]
is a finite set.

By the classification of three-dimensional $\mathbb{Q}$-factorial terminal singularities (see [Kaw92] or [Mar96]), the minimal log discrepancy of a three-dimensional terminal singularity is equal to 3 or $1 + 1/r$ for some $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$. Furthermore, in the case when \( \text{mld}_x(X) = 3 \), the X is known to be smooth at \( x \). If \( \text{mld}_x(X) = 1 + 1/r \), the Gorenstein index of X at x is known to be r. Furthermore, by [Kaw88] Corollary 5.2, if X has the Gorenstein index \( r \) at \( x \in X \), then \( rD \) is Cartier at \( x \) for any Weil divisor \( D \).

Let \((X, B + M)/Z\) be a three-dimensional generalized canonical pair satisfying \( B \in I, M \in I \) and \( \text{mld}_x(X, B + M) \geq a \). By Theorem 2.8 there exists a projective morphism \( f : Y \to X \) with the following properties:

- \( Y \) is a three-dimensional terminal variety.
- \( f^*(K_X + B + M) = K_Y + B_Y + M_Y \) holds, where \( B_Y \) is the strict transform of \( B \) on \( Y \), and \( M_Y \) is the push-forward of \( M' \) (possibly replacing \( X' \) with a higher model).

Take a computing divisor \( E \) of \( \text{mld}_x(X, B + M) \).

Suppose \( \dim c_Y(E) = 0 \). Then \( \text{mld}_x(X, B + M) = \text{mld}_y(Y, B_Y + M_Y) \) holds, where \( \{ y \} := c_Y(E) \). Since \( \text{mld}_y(Y) \geq \text{mld}_y(Y, B_Y + M_Y) \geq a \) holds, the Gorenstein index of \( Y \) at \( y \) is at most \( \left\lfloor \frac{1}{\ell + 1} \right\rfloor \). Let \( \ell \) be the Gorenstein index of \( Y \) at \( y \). Since \( \ell D \) is Cartier at \( y \) for any Weil divisor \( D \) on \( Y \), it follows that

\[
\text{mld}_y(Y, B_Y + M_Y) \in A'_{\text{gen}} \left( 3, \ell, \frac{1}{\ell + 1} \right),
\]

where we set \( \frac{1}{\ell + 1} := \{ f\ell^{-1} | f \in I \} \). Therefore we have

\[
\text{mld}_x(X, B + M) \in \bigcup_{\ell \leq \left\lfloor \frac{1}{\ell + 1} \right\rfloor} A'_{\text{gen}} \left( 3, \ell, \frac{1}{\ell + 1} \right),
\]

and the right-hand side is a finite set by Theorem 6.5.

Suppose \( \dim c_Y(E) = 1 \). Then by Lemma 3.1 we have

\[
\text{mld}_y(Y, B_Y + M_Y) = 1 + \text{mld}_x(X, B + M)
\]

for some closed point \( y \in c_Y(E) \). Since \( \text{mld}_y(Y) \geq 1 + a > 2 \), it follows that \( Y \) is smooth at \( y \). Hence,

\[
\text{mld}_y(Y, B_Y + M_Y) \in A'_{\text{gen}} (3, 1, I).
\]

Therefore, we have

\[
\text{mld}_x(X, B + M) \in -1 + A'_{\text{gen}} (3, 1, I),
\]

and the right-hand side is a finite set by Theorem 6.5.

Suppose \( \dim c_Y(E) = 2 \). Then \( E \) is a divisor on \( Y \), and we have

\[
\text{mld}_x(X, B + M) = 1 - \text{coeff}_E B_Y = 1.
\]

It contradicts \( \text{mld}_x(X, B + M) \geq a > 1 \). The proof is complete.

### 6.2. Uniform Perturbation of the $\epsilon$-log Canonicity

In this subsection, we prove Theorem 6.10 as an application of Theorem 6.3.

**Definition 6.7.** Let \( S \subset \mathbb{R} \) be a \( \mathbb{Q} \)-linear subspace and let \( f : S \to \mathbb{R} \) be a \( \mathbb{Q} \)-linear function. Let \( B \) be an \( \mathbb{R} \)-divisor on a variety \( X \). When \( B \in S \), we define an \( \mathbb{R} \)-divisor \( f(B) \) on \( X \) as follows:

\[
f(B) := \sum_D f(\text{coeff}_D B)D,
\]

where \( D \) is taken over all prime divisors \( D \) on \( X \).
**Lemma 6.8.** Let $S \subset \mathbb{R}$ be a $\mathbb{Q}$-linear subspace and let $f : S \to \mathbb{R}$ be a $\mathbb{Q}$-linear function. Let $B$ be an $\mathbb{R}$-divisor on a variety $X$.

1. Suppose that $B = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} a_i D_i$ holds for some $a_i \in S$ and $\mathbb{Q}$-divisors $D_i$. Then it follows that $f(B) = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} f(a_i) D_i$.
2. Suppose that $B \in S$ holds and $B$ is $\mathbb{R}$-Cartier. Then $f(B)$ is also $\mathbb{R}$-Cartier.
3. Suppose that $B \in S$ holds and $B$ is $\mathbb{R}$-Cartier. Then $\varphi^* B \in S$ holds for any morphism $\varphi : Y \to X$. Furthermore, it follows that $\varphi^* (f(B)) = f(\varphi^* B)$.

**Proof.** (1) follows from the $\mathbb{Q}$-linearity of $f$

Suppose that $B$ is an $\mathbb{R}$-Cartier $\mathbb{R}$-divisor with $B \in S$. Then we may write $B = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} a_i D_i$ with some $a_i \in S$ and $\mathbb{Q}$-divisors $D_i$. Moreover we may assume that $a_1, \ldots, a_\ell$ are linearly independent. Then by Lemma 6.9 below, each $D_i$ turns out to be $\mathbb{Q}$-Cartier. Therefore (2) and (3) follow from (1).

**Lemma 6.9.** Let $D$ be an $\mathbb{R}$-divisor of the form $D = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} a_i D_i$ with $a_i \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\mathbb{Q}$-divisors $D_i$ on a variety $X$. If $D$ is $\mathbb{R}$-Cartier and $a_1, \ldots, a_\ell$ are $\mathbb{Q}$-linearly independent, then each $D_i$ is $\mathbb{Q}$-Cartier.

**Proof.** Suppose that $D$ is $\mathbb{R}$-Cartier. Then we may write $D = \sum_{i=1}^{s} b_i E_i$ with some $b_i \in \mathbb{R}$ and some $\mathbb{Q}$-Cartier $\mathbb{Q}$-divisors $E_i$. We may assume that $s \geq \ell$ and $a_i = b_i$ for $1 \leq i \leq \ell$ and further that $b_1, \ldots, b_s$ are $\mathbb{Q}$-linearly independent. Here, we allow $E_i = 0$ in this expression. Since $\sum_{i=1}^{\ell} a_i D_i = \sum_{i=1}^{s} b_i E_i$, it follows from the $\mathbb{Q}$-linear independence of $b_i$’s that $D_i = E_i$ holds for each $1 \leq i \leq \ell$. Therefore $D_i$’s turn out to be $\mathbb{Q}$-Cartier.

**Remark 6.10.** Let $S \subset \mathbb{R}$ be a $\mathbb{Q}$-linear subspace and let $f : S \to \mathbb{R}$ be a $\mathbb{Q}$-linear function. Let $(X, B + M)/\mathbb{Z}$ be a generalized pair with $M \in S$. In this remark, we see that $f(M)$ is well-defined. Let $\varphi : X' \to X$ be the birational morphism and $M'$ the $\mathbb{R}$-Cartier divisor such that $\varphi^* M' = M$ in Definition 2.1. By definition of “$M \in S$” (Definition 2.2(1)), we may write $M' = \sum_i r_i M'_i$ with $r_i \in S$ and Cartier divisors $M'_i$. Then we can define $f(M')$ and define $f(M) := \varphi^*(f(M'))$. By Lemma 6.9 this definition does not depend on the choice of $X'$ and the expression $M' = \sum_i r_i M'_i$.

**Lemma 6.11.** Let $S \subset \mathbb{R}$ be a $\mathbb{Q}$-linear subspace containing $\mathbb{Q}$ and let $f : S \to \mathbb{R}$ be a $\mathbb{Q}$-linear function fixing $\mathbb{Q}$. For a generalized pair $(X, B + M)/\mathbb{Z}$ with $B, M \in S$, the following hold.

1. $(X, f(B) + f(M))$ is also a generalized pair if $f(B), f(M) \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$.
2. $a E(X, B + M) \in S$ holds for any divisor $E$ over $X$.
3. $f(a E(X, B + M)) = a f(X, B + M)$ holds for any divisor $E$ over $X$.

**Proof.** We have $f(K_X + B + M) = K_X + f(B) + f(M)$ since $f$ fixes $\mathbb{Q}$. Furthermore, it is $\mathbb{R}$-Cartier by Lemma 6.8(2). We have proved (1).

(2) follows from a similar argument as in the proof of Lemma 6.8 (3) follows from Lemma 6.8(3).}

The following theorem is an immediate consequence of Theorem 2.3

**Theorem 6.12.** Let $d$ be a positive integer and let $I \subset [0, +\infty)$ be a finite subset. Then, there exists a positive real number $\delta$ depending only on $d$ and $I$ such that the following holds: If

1. $(X, B + M)/\mathbb{Z}$ is a generalized lc pair with dim $X = d$ and $B, M \in I$, and
2. $g : \text{Span}_{\mathbb{Q}}(I \cup \{1\}) \to \mathbb{R}$ is a $\mathbb{Q}$-linear function fixing $\mathbb{Q}$ and satisfies $|g(a) - a| \leq \delta$ for every $a \in I$,

then $(X, g(B) + g(M))$ is also generalized lc.
Proof. Set $S = \text{Span}_\mathbb{Q}(I \cup \{1\})$. We fix a $\mathbb{Q}$-linear basis $r_0 = 1, r_1, \ldots, r_\ell$ of $S$ that satisfies $r_1, \ldots, r_\ell \in I$. We shall prove the stronger statement that is obtained by replacing the assumption on $g$ with the following weaker condition.

- $g : \text{Span}_\mathbb{Q}(I \cup \{1\}) \to \mathbb{R}$ is a $\mathbb{Q}$-linear function fixing $\mathbb{Q}$ and satisfies $|g(r_i) - r_i| \leq \delta$ for each $r_i$.

We prove the assertion by induction on $\dim_{\mathbb{Q}} S$. If $\dim_{\mathbb{Q}} S = 1$, then the function $g$ in the statement should be the identity map and there is nothing to show in this case.

Suppose $\dim_{\mathbb{Q}} S > 1$. For each element $a_j \in I$, we may write $a_j = s_j(r_0, \ldots, r_\ell)$ for some $\mathbb{Q}$-linear function $s_j : \mathbb{R}^{\ell+1} \to \mathbb{R}$. By Theorem 6.3 there exists a positive real number $\epsilon$ such that the following holds:

(\forall) For any normalized lc pair of the form

$$\left(X, \sum_j s_j(r_0, \ldots, r_\ell)B_j + \sum_j s_j(r_0, \ldots, r_\ell)M_j\right)/\mathbb{Z},$$

where $X$ is a normal variety of dimension $d$, $B_j$’s are effective Weil divisors and $M_j$’s are nef/\mathbb{Z} Cartier divisors on $X'$, the pair

$$\left(X, \sum_j s_j(r_0, \ldots, r_{\ell-1}, t)B_j + \sum_j s_j(r_0, \ldots, r_{\ell-1}, t)M_j\right)$$

is also normalized lc for any $t \in [r_\ell - \epsilon, r_\ell + \epsilon]$.

We fix $t_1 \in [r_\ell - \epsilon, r_\ell] \cap \mathbb{Q}$ and $t_2 \in (r_\ell, r_\ell + \epsilon] \cap \mathbb{Q}$. We set

$I' := \{s_j(r_0, \ldots, r_{\ell-1}, t_i) \mid i, j\}, \quad S' := \text{Span}_\mathbb{Q}(I' \cup \{1\}) = \text{Span}_\mathbb{Q}(r_0, \ldots, r_{\ell-1})$.

Then by the induction hypothesis, there exists a positive real number $\delta'$ satisfying the assertion for $I'$.

In what follows, we shall prove that $\delta := \min\{\delta', r_\ell - t_1, t_2 - r_\ell\}$ satisfies the assertion for $I$. Let $(X, B + M)/\mathbb{Z}$ be a normalized pair and $g$ a function satisfying the conditions in the statement. We denote by $g_1$ and $g_2$ the $\mathbb{Q}$-linear functions $S \to S'$ defined by

$$g_i(r_j) = \begin{cases} r_j & (0 \leq j \leq \ell - 1), \\ t_i & (j = \ell). \end{cases}$$

Then by (\forall), it follows that $(X, g_1(B) + g_1(M))$ and $(X, g_2(B) + g_2(M))$ are normalized lc. Note that $g_i(B), g_i(M) \in I'$ holds for each $i = 1, 2$. Then by the choice of $\delta'$, it follows that $(X, g \circ g_1(B) + g \circ g_1(M))$ and $(X, g \circ g_2(B) + g \circ g_2(M))$ are normalized lc.

Note that the real numbers $u_1$ and $u_2$ defined by

$$u_1 := \frac{t_2 - g(r_\ell)}{t_2 - t_1}, \quad u_2 := \frac{g(r_\ell) - t_1}{t_2 - t_1}$$

satisfy $u_1 + u_2 = 1$ and $g = u_1(g \circ g_1) + u_2(g \circ g_2)$. Indeed, it is easy to see that the function $u_1(g \circ g_1) + u_2(g \circ g_2)$ is a $\mathbb{Q}$-linear function satisfying $(u_1(g \circ g_1) + u_2(g \circ g_2))(r_i) = g(r_i)$ for each $i$. Furthermore, $u_1, u_2 \geq 0$ follows from the inequality $\delta \leq \min\{r_\ell - t_1, t_2 - r_\ell\}$ and the assumption on $g$. Therefore $(X, g(B) + g(M))$ is normalized lc.

\hfill \Box

Lemma 6.13. Let $\delta$ be a positive real number. Let $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ be a finite subset and let $I' \subset \text{Span}_\mathbb{Q} I$ be a finite subset. Then there exists a positive real number $\delta'$ with the following condition: If $g : \text{Span}_\mathbb{Q} I \to \mathbb{R}$ is a $\mathbb{Q}$-linear function satisfying $|g(a) - a| \leq \delta'$ for any $a \in I$, then $|g(a) - a| \leq \delta$ holds for any $a \in I'$.

Proof. The proof is straightforward. \hfill \Box
Lemma 6.14. Let $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ be a finite subset and $\delta$ a positive real number. Then there exist finitely many positive real numbers $a_1, \ldots, a_k \in (0, 1]$ and $\mathbb{Q}$-linear functions $f_1, \ldots, f_k : \text{Span}_\mathbb{Q}(I \cup \{1\}) \to \mathbb{Q}$ with the following conditions:

- Each $f_i$ fixes $\mathbb{Q}$,
- $(\sum_{i=1}^k a_i f_i) = \text{id}$ (i.e. $\sum_{i=1}^k a_i f_i(a) = a$ holds for any $a \in \text{Span}_\mathbb{Q}(I \cup \{1\})$), and
- $|f_i(a) - a| \leq \delta$ holds for every $a \in I$ and $i$.

Proof. Set $S := \text{Span}_\mathbb{Q}(I \cup \{1\})$. Let $1, r_1, \ldots, r_n$ be a $\mathbb{Q}$-linear basis of $S$ satisfying $r_1, \ldots, r_n \in I$. We may assume that $I = \{r_1, \ldots, r_n\}$ by Lemma 6.13.

For each $1 \leq i \leq n$, we take $q_{i1} \in [r_i - \delta, r_i] \cap \mathbb{Q}$ and $q_{i2} \in (r_i, r_i + \delta] \cap \mathbb{Q}$, and we set

$$u_{i1} := \frac{q_{i2} - r_i}{q_{i2} - q_{i1}}, \quad u_{i2} := \frac{r_i - q_{i1}}{q_{i2} - q_{i1}}.$$  

Then we have $u_{i1}, u_{i2} > 0, \quad u_{i1} + u_{i2} = 1, \quad u_{i1} q_{i1} + u_{i2} q_{i2} = r_i$ for each $1 \leq i \leq n$. We denote by $\{1, 2\}^{\{1, \ldots, n\}}$ the set of maps $\{1, \ldots, n\} \to \{1, 2\}$. For each $\sigma \in \{1, 2\}^{\{1, \ldots, n\}}$, we define $a_\sigma \in (0, 1]$ and $\mathbb{Q}$-linear functions $f_\sigma : S \to \mathbb{Q}$ as follows:

$$a_\sigma = \prod_{1 \leq i \leq n} u_{i\sigma(i)}, \quad f_\sigma(1) = 1, \quad f_\sigma(r_i) = q_{i\sigma(i)}.$$  

Then it is easy to see that $f_\sigma$’s satisfy the first and the third conditions. Furthermore, we have

$$\left( \sum_{\sigma \in \{1, 2\}^{\{1, \ldots, n\}}} a_\sigma f_\sigma \right)(1) = \sum_{\sigma \in \{1, 2\}^{\{1, \ldots, n\}}} \prod_{1 \leq i \leq n} u_{i\sigma(i)} = \prod_{1 \leq i \leq n} (u_{i1} + u_{i2}) = 1,$$

and

$$\left( \sum_{\sigma \in \{1, 2\}^{\{1, \ldots, n\}}} a_\sigma f_\sigma \right)(r_j) = \sum_{\sigma \in \{1, 2\}^{\{1, \ldots, n\}}} \left( \prod_{1 \leq i \leq n} u_{i\sigma(i)} \right) q_{j\sigma(j)} = \sum_{\sigma' \in \{1, 2\}^{\{1, \ldots, n\}} \setminus \{\sigma\}} \left( u_{j1} q_{j1} + u_{j2} q_{j2} \right) \prod_{i \neq j} u_{i\sigma'(i)} = (u_{j1} q_{j1} + u_{j2} q_{j2}) \prod_{i \neq j} (u_{i1} + u_{i2}) = r_j$$  

for each $1 \leq j \leq n$. Therefore $a_\sigma$’s and $f_\sigma$’s satisfy the second condition. The proof is complete. \hfill \square

Remark 6.15. The positive real numbers $a_1, \ldots, a_k$ in Lemma 6.14 satisfy $\sum_{i=1}^k a_i = 1$ due to the first and the second conditions.

Now, we prove Theorem 6.16 as an application of Theorem 6.5. This gives a generalization of [CH21, Lemma 3.4] by removing the boundedness criterion on the minimal log discrepancy, which is assumed in [CH21, Lemma 3.4].

Theorem 6.16. Let $d, r \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ and $\epsilon \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$, and let $I \subset [0, +\infty)$ be a finite set. Let $P(d, r, I)$ be the set of generalized lc pairs defined in Definition 6.4. Suppose $\epsilon \in \text{Span}_\mathbb{Q}(I \cup \{1\})$. Then there exists a positive real number $\delta$ depending only on $d, r, \epsilon$ and $I$ such that the following holds: If

- $(X, B + M)/Z \in P(d, r, I)$ and $x \in X$ is a scheme-theoretic point,
- $\text{mld}_x(X, B + M) \geq \epsilon$,
- $f : \text{Span}_\mathbb{Q}(I \cup \{1\}) \to \mathbb{R}$ is a $\mathbb{Q}$-linear function fixing $\mathbb{Q}$, and
- $|f(a) - a| \leq \delta$ holds for every $a \in I$,

then $\text{mld}_x(X, f(B) + f(M)) \geq f(\epsilon)$. 
Proof. We set \( S := \text{Span}_\mathbb{Q}(I \cup \{1\}) \). By Lemma 6.13 we may replace the fourth condition in the statement with the following stronger condition:

\[(\triangleright) \quad |f(a) - a| \leq \delta \text{ holds for every } a \in I \cup \{\varepsilon\}.
\]

Let \( B_{\text{gen}}(d, r, I) \) be the discrete set of log discrepancies obtained from \( P(d, r, I) \) defined in Theorem 6.5. We set

\[ \lambda := \min\{a - \varepsilon \mid a \in B_{\text{gen}}(d, r, I), \ a > \varepsilon\} > 0. \]

Let \( \delta' \) be the \( \delta \) given in Theorem 6.12. Then we define \( \delta \) by

\[ \delta := \min\left\{ \delta', \frac{\delta' \lambda}{\varepsilon + \lambda + \delta'} \right\} > 0. \]

In what follows, we shall see that this \( \delta \) satisfies the statement.

Let \( (X, B + M)/\mathbb{Z}, \ x, \) and \( f \) be as in the assumptions and \( (\triangleright) \). Then the pair \( (X, f(B) + f(M)) \) is also generalized lc by the choice of \( \delta' \). By Lemma 6.11 we have

\[ a_F(X, f(B) + f(M)) = f(a_E(X, B + M)) \]

for any divisor \( E \) over \( X \). Let \( F \) be a divisor that satisfies \( a_F(X, B + M) > \varepsilon \) and \( c_X(F) = \{x\} \). Then it is sufficient to show that

\[ a_F(X, f(B) + f(M)) \geq f(\varepsilon). \]

By the definition of \( \lambda \), we have \( a_F(X, B + M) \geq \varepsilon + \lambda \). We define a \( \mathbb{Q} \)-linear function \( g : S \to \mathbb{R} \) by \( g := \frac{\partial}{\partial f}(f - \text{id}) + \text{id} \). Then \( g \) fixes \( \mathbb{Q} \) and satisfies \( |g(a) - a| \leq \delta' \) for any \( a \in I \). Therefore the pair \( (X, g(B) + g(M)) \) is generalized lc by the choice of \( \delta' \), and hence \( a_F(X, g(B) + g(M)) \geq 0 \). Therefore we have

\[
a_F(X, f(B) + f(M)) = a_F\left(X, \frac{\delta}{\delta'}(g(B) + g(M)) + \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{\delta'}\right)(B + M)\right) \\
= \frac{\delta}{\delta'} a_F(X, g(B) + g(M)) + \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{\delta'}\right) a_F(X, B + M) \\
\geq \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{\delta'}\right)(\varepsilon + \lambda) \\
\geq \left(1 - \frac{\delta}{\delta'} \cdot \frac{\delta' \lambda}{\varepsilon + \lambda + \delta'}\right)(\varepsilon + \lambda) \\
= \varepsilon + \lambda + \delta' \\
\geq \varepsilon + \delta \\
\geq f(\varepsilon). \]

Here, we used the assumption \( (\triangleright) \) for the last inequality. This completes the proof.

\[ \square \]

6.3. Application to complement. Based on Birkar’s result (Theorem 6.19, Filipazzi and Moraga in [FM20, Theorem 1.2] show the existence of bounded strong complements for generalized pairs with coefficients in a closed rational DCC set. Moreover, in [FM20, Theorem 1.3], they show the existence of bounded \( \epsilon \)-complements for such pairs and any \( \epsilon > 0 \) when \( \dim Z = 0 \) and \( M' = 0 \), using the BAB theorem. Using Theorem 6.3 G. Chen and Q. Xue removed the rationality condition on the coefficient set if the coefficient set is bounded ([Che, Theorem 1.3] and [CX22, Theorem 1.3]).

In this subsection, we first prove Theorem 6.27 which allows us to reduce the problem to the case when the coefficient set is bounded. As a corollary (Corollary 6.28), we remove the rationality condition from the statement of [FM20, Theorem 1.2]. We also give a proof of [CX22, Theorem 1.3] in Corollary 6.29.

We begin with the definition of the complements for generalized pairs.
**Definition 6.17** ([Bir19, 2.18], [HLS Definition 3.17]). Let \((X, B + M)/Z\) be a generalized pair with \(B \in [0, 1]\).

1. Let \(n\) be a positive integer. An \((generalized)\) \(n\)-complement of \(K_X + B + M\) over a point \(z \in Z\) is of the form \(K_X + B^+ + M^+\) with the following conditions over a neighborhood of \(z\):
   - \((X, B^+ + M)\) is generalized lc,
   - \(n(K_X + B^+ + M) \sim 0\) and \(nM'\) is Cartier, and
   - \(nB^+ \geq n|B| + [(n + 1)(B - |B|)]\).

For a non-negative real number \(\epsilon\), an \(n\)-complement \(K_X + B^+ + M\) is called \(\epsilon\)-lc (resp. klt) if the corresponding generalized pair \((X, B^+ + M)\) is generalized \(\epsilon\)-lc (resp. klt).

2. An \((generalized)\) \(\mathbb{R}\)-complement of \(K_X + B + M\) over a point \(z \in Z\) is of the form \(K_X + B^+ + M^+\) with the following conditions over a neighborhood of \(z\):
   - \((X, B^+ + M^+)\) is generalized lc,
   - \(K_X + B^+ + M^+ \sim_\mathbb{R} 0\),
   - \(B^+ \geq B\) and \(M^+ - M'\) is nef over \(Z\).

We also define an \(\epsilon\)-lc \(\mathbb{R}\)-complement similarly.

3. An \(n\)-complement (resp. \(\mathbb{R}\)-complement) of \(K_X + B + M\) is of the form \(K_X + B^+ + M^+\) such that \(K_X + B^+ + M^+\) is an \(n\)-complement (resp. \(\mathbb{R}\)-complement) of \(K_X + B + M\) over \(z\) for every \(z \in Z\). We say that \((X, B + M)\) is \(\mathbb{R}\)-complementary if there exists an \(\mathbb{R}\)-complement of \(K_X + B + M\). We say that \((X, B + M)\) is \((\epsilon, \mathbb{R})\)-complementary if there exists an \(\epsilon\)-lc \(\mathbb{R}\)-complement of \(K_X + B + M\).

**Remark 6.18.** We take over the notations in Definition 6.17.

1. An \(n\)-complement is called strong if \(B^+ \geq B\) holds. In this subsection, we will consider only strong complements. We remark that if \(n(K_X + B^+ + M) \sim 0\) and \(B^+ \geq B\) hold, and \(nM'\) is Cartier, then the condition \(nB^+ \geq n|B| + [(n + 1)(B - |B|)]\) automatically holds (see [Bir19 6.1(1)]).

2. Let \((X_1, B_1 + M_1)\) and \((X_2, B_2 + M_2)\) be generalized pairs with a birational map \(X_1 \dashrightarrow X_2\). Let \(\varphi_1 : X' \rightarrow X_1\) and \(\varphi_2 : X' \rightarrow X_2\) be the projective birational morphisms in Definition 2.1 (possibly replacing \(X'\) with a higher model). Suppose that

\[
\varphi_1^*(K_{X_1} + B_1 + M_1) + P = \varphi_2^*(K_{X_2} + B_2 + M_2)
\]

holds for some \(P \geq 0\). In this case, if \(K_{X_2} + B_2 + M_2\) has a strong \(\epsilon\)-lc \(n\)-complement (resp. \(\mathbb{R}\)-complement), then so does \(K_{X_1} + B_1 + M_1\) (see [Bir19, 6.1(2)(3)]).

Birkar proved in [Bir19] the boundedness of complements for generalized pairs.

**Theorem 6.19** ([Bir19, Theorem 1.10]). Let \(d\) and \(p\) be positive integers. Let \(I \subset [0, 1] \cap \mathbb{Q}\) be a finite subset. Then there exists a positive integer \(n\) depending only on \(d\), \(p\) and \(I\) such that if

- \((X, B + M)/Z\) is a generalized lc pair with \(\dim X = d\),
- \(\dim Z = 0\),
- \(B \in I\) holds and \(pM'\) is Cartier,
- \(X\) is of Fano type, and
- \(-(K_X + B + M)\) is nef,

then there exists a strong \(n\)-complement \(K_X + B^+ + M\) of \(K_X + B + M\).

We recall the following theorems by Filipazzi and Moraga.
Theorem 6.20 ([FM20 Theorem 1.2]). Let $d$ and $p$ be positive integers. Let $I \subset [0,1] \cap \mathbb{Q}$ be a finite subset. Then there exists a positive integer $n$ depending only on $d$, $p$ and $I$ such that if

- $(X,B + M)/Z$ is a generalized lc pair with dim $X = d$,
- $B \in I$ holds and $pM'$ is Cartier,
- $X$ is of Fano type over $Z$, and
- $-(K_X + B + M)$ is nef/Z,

then for every point $z \in Z$, there exists a strong $n$-complement $K_X + B^+ + M$ of $K_X + B + M$ over $z$.

Theorem 6.21 ([FM20 Theorem 1.3]). Let $d$ and $p$ be positive integers, and let $\epsilon$ be a positive real number. Let $I \subset [0,1] \cap \mathbb{Q}$ be a finite subset. Then there exists a positive integer $n$ depending only on $d$, $p$, $\epsilon$ and $I$ such that if

- $(X,B + M)/Z$ is a generalized $\epsilon$-lc pair with dim $X = d$,
- dim $Z = 0$,
- $B \in I$ holds and $pM'$ is Cartier,
- $X$ is of Fano type, and
- $-(K_X + B + M)$ is nef,

then there exists a strong $\epsilon$-lc $n$-complement $K_X + B^+ + M$ of $K_X + B + M$.

Theorem 6.22 (cf. [HLS Lemma 5.13, Theorem 5.15]). Fix $d \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$. Let $r_1, \ldots, r_\ell$ be positive real numbers and let $r_0 = 1$. Assume that $r_0, r_1, \ldots, r_\ell$ are $\mathbb{Q}$-linearly independent. Let $s^B_1, \ldots, s^B_{\ell} : \mathbb{R}^{\ell+1} \to \mathbb{R}$ (resp. $s^M_1, \ldots, s^M_{\ell} : \mathbb{R}^{\ell+1} \to \mathbb{R}$) be $\mathbb{Q}$-linear functions. Assume that $s^B_i(r_0, \ldots, r_\ell) \geq 0$ and $s^M_j(r_0, \ldots, r_\ell) \geq 0$ for each $i$ and $j$. Then there exists a positive real number $\epsilon > 0$ such that the following holds: If $(X,B + M)/Z$ is a generalized pair with dim $X = d$ such that

- $B = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq \ell} s^B_i(r_0, \ldots, r_\ell)B_i$ for some Weil divisors $B_i$ on $X$,
- $M' = \sum_{1 \leq j \leq \ell} s^M_j(r_0, \ldots, r_\ell)M'_j$ for some nef/Z Cartier divisors $M'_j$ on $X'$,

and

- $(X,B + M)$ is $\mathbb{R}$-complementary,

then for every $t \in [r_\ell - \epsilon, r_\ell + \epsilon]$, $(X,B(t) + M(t))$ is generalized lc and $-(K_X + B(t) + M(t))$ is pseudo-effective over $Z$, where we set

$$B(t) := \sum_{1 \leq i \leq \ell} s^B_i(r_0, \ldots, r_{\ell-1}, t)B_i, \quad M'(t) := \sum_{1 \leq j \leq \ell} s^M_j(r_0, \ldots, r_{\ell-1}, t)M'_j.$$

Proof. Enlarging the set $\{s^B_i \mid i\}$, we may assume that $s^B_i(r_0, \ldots, r_\ell) = r_0 = 1$ for some $i$. We may also remove the zero functions from $\{s^B_i, s^M_j \mid i,j\}$. Let $\epsilon'$ be the $\epsilon$ appearing in Theorem 6.3 and let $u_0$ be a rational number in $[r_\ell - \epsilon', r_\ell + \epsilon']$.

Suppose the contrary that for each $k \geq 1$, there exist a real number $t_k \in [r_\ell - \frac{\epsilon'}{k}, r_\ell + \frac{\epsilon'}{k}]$ and a generalized pair $(X_k, B_k + M_k)/Z_k$ with dim $X_k = d$ such that

- $B_k(t) = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq \ell} s^B_i(r_0, \ldots, r_{\ell-1}, t)B_i$ for some Weil divisors $B_{k,i}$ on $X_k$,
- $M'_{k}(t) = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq \ell} s^M_i(r_0, \ldots, r_{\ell-1}, t)M'_{k,i}$ for some nef/Z Cartier divisors $M'_{k,i}$ on $X'_k$,
- $B_k = B_k(t_k)$ and $M_k = M_k(t_k),$
- $(X_k, B_k + M_k)$ is $\mathbb{R}$-complementary, and
- $-(K_{X_k} + B_{k}(t_k) + M_k(t_k))$ is not pseudo-effective over $Z_k$.

Moreover, restricting $X_k$ over a neighborhood of a point $z \in Z_k$ at which $-(K_{X_k} + B_{k}(t_k) + M_k(t_k))$ is not pseudo-effective over $Z_k$, we may assume that $K_{X_k} + B_k + M_k$ has an $\mathbb{R}$-complement $K_{X_k} + B_k^+ + M_k^+$ satisfying $K_{X_k} + B_k^+ + M_k^+ \sim_{\mathbb{R}} 0$.

In the following paragraphs, we fix $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ and denote $(X,B + M)/Z = (X_k, B_k + M_k)/Z_k$ for simplicity.
STEP 1: Let $K_X + B^+ + M^+ \simeq_{\mathbb{R}} 0$ be an $\mathbb{R}$-complement of $K_X + B + M$. We set
$$D = B^+ - B, \quad N' = M'^+ - M'.$$

Let $N$ be the push-forward of $N'$ on $X$. This step shows that we may assume the following conditions:
- $(X, B^+ + M^+) / Z$ is a $\mathbb{Q}$-factorial generalized dlt pair.
- $\text{Supp}(D)$ and $\text{Supp}(B^+)$ have no common divisors.
- $\text{Supp}(B - B(t_k))$ and $\text{Supp}(B^+)$ have no common divisors.

Let $f : Y \to X$ be a $\mathbb{Q}$-factorial generalized dlt model of $(X, B^+ + M^+)$ (Definition 2.2(9)). Let $T$ be the sum of the $f$-exceptional divisors, let $B_Y(t)$ and $D_Y$ be the strict transforms of $B(t)$ and $D$ on $Y$, and let $M_Y(t)$ and $N_Y$ be the push-forwards of $M'(t)$ and $N'$ on $Y$ (possibly replacing $X'$ by a higher model). Then
$$(Y, (T + B_Y(r_{\ell}) + D_Y) + (M_Y(r_{\ell}) + N_Y)) / Z$$
is a $\mathbb{Q}$-factorial generalized dlt pair, and we have
$$K_Y + (T + B_Y(r_{\ell}) + D_Y) + (M_Y(r_{\ell}) + N_Y) = f^*(K_X + (B + D) + (M + N)) \simeq_{\mathbb{R}} 0.$$We may write
$$B_Y(t) = \sum s^B_i(r_0, \ldots, r_{\ell-1}, t)B_{Y,i},$$
where $B_{Y,i}$ is the strict transform of $B_i$ on $Y$. We define a Weil divisor $\overline{B}_i$ on $Y$ as
$$\text{coeff}_G \overline{B}_i = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } G \leq |B_Y(r_{\ell}) + D_Y|, \\ \text{coeff}_G B_{Y,i} & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$
where $G$ is a prime divisor on $Y$. Then we set
$$B'_Y(t) := \sum s^B_i(r_0, \ldots, r_{\ell-1}, t)\overline{B}_i.$$Similarly, write $D = \sum d_iD_i$, where $D_i$’s are distinct prime divisors, and let $D'_Y := \sum d_k \overline{D}_k$, where $\overline{D}_k$ is the strict transform of $D_k$ on $Y$ and the sum is taken over all the $k$ satisfying $\overline{D}_k \nsubseteq |B_Y(r_{\ell}) + D_Y|$. Then the following hold by the construction:
- $|B_Y(r_{\ell}) + D_Y| + B'_Y(r_{\ell}) + D'_Y = B_Y(r_{\ell}) + D_Y$.
- $\text{Supp}(D'_Y)$ and $\text{Supp}(T + |B_Y(r_{\ell}) + D_Y|)$ have no common divisors.
- $\text{Supp}(B'_Y(r_{\ell}) - B'_Y(t_k))$ and $\text{Supp}(T + |B_Y(r_{\ell}) + D_Y|)$ have no common divisors.

We shall see that we may assume
- $-(K_Y + T + |B_Y(r_{\ell}) + D_Y| + B'_Y(t_k) + M_Y(t_k))$ is not pseudo-effective over $Z$.

Note that $-(K_X + B(t_k) + M(t_k))$ is not pseudo-effective over $Z$ by the assumption. Since
$$f_*(K_Y + T + B_Y(t_k) + M_Y(t_k)) = K_X + B(t_k) + M(t_k),$$
$$-(K_Y + T + B_Y(t_k) + M_Y(t_k))$$is not pseudo-effective over $Z$. On the other hand, for every $i$, if $s^B_i(r_0, \ldots, r_{\ell}) = 1$, then $s^B_i(r_0, \ldots, r_{\ell-1}, t)$ should be constantly one by the linear independence of $r_0, r_1, \ldots, r_{\ell}$. Therefore, passing to a tail of the sequence, we may assume that $s^B_i(r_0, \ldots, r_{\ell-1}, t_k) \leq 1$. Hence we have
$$|B_Y(r_{\ell}) + D_Y| + B'_Y(t_k) - B_Y(t_k) \geq 0,$$and therefore $-(K_Y + T + |B_Y(r_{\ell}) + D_Y| + B'_Y(t_k) + M_Y(t_k))$ is not pseudo-effective over $Z$.

Therefore, we may replace
- $(X, B(t) + M(t))$ with $(Y, (T + |B_Y(r_{\ell}) + D_Y| + B'_Y(t)) + M_Y(t))$,
- $D$ with $D'_Y$, $N$ with $N_Y$, and
\( B^+ + M^+ \) with \( (T + B_Y(r_\ell) + D_Y) + (M_Y(r_\ell) + N_Y) \), and the new pair satisfies the desired three conditions.

**STEP 2:** By the linear independence of \( r_0, r_1, \ldots, r_\ell \), we have
\[
s^B_i(r_0, \ldots, r_\ell) > 0, \quad s^M_j(r_0, \ldots, r_\ell) > 0.
\]
Hence by **STEP 1**, we may take \( \delta_k > 0 \) such that
\[
(X, (B^+ + \delta_k D + \delta_k(B - B(t_k)) + (M^+ + \delta_k N + \delta_k(M - M(t_k))))
\]
is generalized dlt. Since
\[
\delta_k(K_X + B(t_k) + M(t_k)) 
\]
\( \sim_R \delta_k((B - B(t_k)) + (M - M(t_k) + N)) \)
\( \sim_R K_X + (B^+ + \delta_k D + \delta_k(B - B(t_k)) + (M^+ + \delta_k N + \delta_k(M - M(t_k)))) \),
there exists a \( -(K_X + B(t_k) + M(t_k)) \)-MMP over \( Z \) (Theorem 6.23) and it ends with a Mori fiber space \( \overline{X} \to W \) such that \( K_{\overline{X}} + B_{\overline{X}}(t_k) + M_{\overline{X}}(t_k) \) is ample over \( W \), where \( B_{\overline{X}}(t) \) is the strict transform of \( B(t) \) on \( \overline{X} \), and \( M_{\overline{X}}(t) \) is the push-forward of \( M'(t) \) on \( \overline{X} \) (possibly replacing \( X' \) with a higher model). On the other hand, since \( -(K_X + B + M) \) is pseudo-effective over \( Z \), \( -(K_{\overline{X}} + B_{\overline{X}}(t_k) + M_{\overline{X}}(t_k)) \) is nef over \( W \). Since \( (X, B + M) \) is \( \mathbb{R} \)-complementary, \( (\overline{X}, B_{\overline{X}}(t_k) + M_{\overline{X}}(t_k)) \) is generalized lc. Therefore, \((\overline{X}, B_{\overline{X}}(t_k) + M_{\overline{X}}(t_k))\) is also generalized lc since \( t_k \in [r_\ell - \epsilon', r_\ell + \epsilon'] \).

Let \( F \) be a general fiber of \( \overline{X} \to W \). We set
\[
B_F(t) = B_{\overline{X}}(t)|_F, \quad M_F(t) = M_{\overline{X}}(t)|_F.
\]
Then \((F, B_F(r_\ell) + M_F(r_\ell))\) and \((F, B_F(t_k) + M_F(t_k))\) are generalized lc, \( -(K_F + B_F(r_\ell) + M_F(r_\ell)) \) is nef and \( K_F + B_F(t_k) + M_F(t_k) \) is ample. Therefore, we may find a real number \( u_k \) between \( t_k \) and \( r_\ell \) satisfying \( K_F + B_F(u_k) + M_F(u_k) \equiv 0 \). Note that \((F, B_F(u_k) + M_F(u_k))\) is also generalized lc.

We may write
\[
s^B_i(r_0, \ldots, r_{\ell-1}, t) = s^B_i(r_0, \ldots, r_{\ell-1}, u_0) + q_i(t - u_0),
\]
\[
s^M_j(r_0, \ldots, r_{\ell-1}, t) = s^M_j(r_0, \ldots, r_{\ell-1}, u_0) + p_j(t - u_0)
\]
with \( q_i, p_j \in \mathbb{Q} \). Let
\[
I := \{ s^B_i(r_0, \ldots, r_{\ell-1}, u_0), s^M_j(r_0, \ldots, r_{\ell-1}, u_0) \mid i, j \}
\]
Take a positive integer \( m \) such that \( mq_i, mp_j \in \mathbb{Z} \) holds for every \( i \) and \( j \). Since \( K_F + B_F(t_k) + M_F(t_k) \equiv 0 \) and \( \lim_{k \to \infty} u_k = r_\ell \), we have
\[
\frac{r_\ell - u_0}{m} = \lim_{k \to \infty} \frac{u_k - u_0}{m} \in \text{Span}_\mathbb{Q}(I \cup \{1\}) \subset \text{Span}_\mathbb{Q}(r_0, \ldots, r_{\ell-1})
\]
by [Che] Theorem 3.6]. This contradicts the \( \mathbb{Q} \)-linear independence of \( r_0, \ldots, r_\ell \).

**Theorem 6.23.** Let \( d \) be a positive integer and let \( I \subseteq [0, +\infty) \) be a finite subset. Then, there exists a positive real number \( \delta \) depending only on \( d \) and \( I \) such that the following holds: If
\[
(X, B + M)/Z \text{ is an } \mathbb{R} \text{-complementary generalized pair of dimension } d \text{ with } B, M \in I, \text{ and}
\]
\[
g : \text{Span}_\mathbb{Q}(I \cup \{1\}) \to \mathbb{R} \text{ is a } \mathbb{Q} \text{-linear function fixing } \mathbb{Q} \text{ and satisfies } |g(a) - a| \leq \delta \text{ for every } a \in I,
\]
then \((X, g(B) + g(M))\) is generalized lc and \(- (K_X + g(B) + g(M)) \) is pseudo-effective over \( Z \).

**Proof.** The same proof as in Theorem [6.12] works due to Theorem [0.22].
The following lemma follows from the BAB Theorem ([Bir21a, Theorem 1.1]).

**Lemma 6.24.** Let $d$ be a positive integer and let $\epsilon$ be a positive real number. Then the projective $\mathbb{Q}$-factorial varieties $X$ of dimension $d$ such that

- $(X, B + M)/Z$ is generalized $\epsilon$-lc for some generalized boundary $B + M$ with $\dim Z = 0$,
- $K_X + B + M \sim_\mathbb{R} 0$, and
- $X$ is of Fano type

form a bounded family.

**Proof.** Let $(X, B + M)$ be as in the assumption. By [Bir21a, Corollary 1.4], it is enough to show that $(X, \Delta)$ is $\epsilon$-lc and $K_X + \Delta \sim_\mathbb{R} 0$ for some (usual) boundary $\Delta$.

Let $X \to Y$ be the end result of a $(-K_X)$-MMP. Since $-K_Y$ is semi-ample and $Y$ is $\epsilon$-lc, there exists a boundary $\Delta_Y$ such that $(Y, \Delta_Y)$ is $\epsilon$-lc and $K_Y + \Delta_Y \sim_\mathbb{R} 0$. Therefore, there exists a boundary $\Delta$ on $X$ such that $(X, \Delta)$ is $\epsilon$-lc and $K_X + \Delta \sim_\mathbb{R} 0$. The proof is complete. \qed

We then define the $(n, \Gamma)$-decomposable complements for generalized pairs, modifying [HLS, Definition 1.9].

**Definition 6.25** (cf. [HLS, Definition 1.9]). Let $(X, B + M)/Z$ be a generalized pair. Let $\Gamma = (a_1, \ldots, a_k)$ be a finite partition of one (i.e. a finite sequence $a_1, \ldots, a_k$ of non-negative real numbers with $\sum_{i=1}^k a_i = 1$). An $(n, \Gamma)$-decomposable complement of $K_X + B + M$ is of the form $K_X + B + M^+$ such that

- $(X, B^+ + M^+)$ is an $\mathbb{R}$-complement of $K_X + B + M$,
- $B^+ = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i B_i^+$ and $M_i^+ = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i M_i^+$ hold for some generalized boundaries $B_i^+ + M_i^+$ of $X$, and
- $K_X + B_i^+ + M_i^+$ is an $n$-complement of $K_X + B_i^+ + M_i^+$ itself for each $i = 1, 2, \ldots, k$.

For a non-negative real number $\epsilon$, an $(n, \Gamma)$-decomposable complement $K_X + B^+ + M^+$ is called $(\epsilon, n, \Gamma)$-decomposable complement if $(X, B^+ + M^+)$ is generalized $\epsilon$-lc.

We shall show the existence of bounded strong complements for generalized pairs with coefficients in a finite set. This is a special case of [Che, Theorem 1.3] and [CX22, Theorem 1.5]. We give a proof using the perturbation technique introduced in Subsection 6.2.

**Theorem 6.26.** Let $d$ be a positive integer, $\epsilon$ a non-negative real number, and $I \subset [0, +\infty)$ a finite subset. Then there exist a positive integer $n$ and a partition $\Gamma = (a_1, \ldots, a_k)$ of one depending only on $d$, $\epsilon$ and $I$ such that the following condition holds: If

- $(X, B + M)/Z$ is a generalized $\epsilon$-lc pair of dimension $d$,
- $\dim Z = 0$ if $\epsilon > 0$,
- $B, M \in I$ holds,
- $X$ is of Fano type over $Z$, and
- $(X, B + M)$ is $(\epsilon, \mathbb{R})$-complementary over $Z$ for every $z \in Z$,

then for every $z \in Z$, there exists a strong generalized $(\epsilon, n, \Gamma)$-decomposable complement $K_X + B^+ + M$ of $K_X + B + M$ over $z$.

**Proof.** Replacing $I$ with $I \cup \{\epsilon\}$, we may assume that $\epsilon \in I$. The proof is divided into the cases where $\epsilon > 0$ and where $\epsilon = 0$.

**Case 1** Suppose $\epsilon > 0$. In this case, $Z$ in consideration satisfies $\dim Z = 0$ by assumption.

First, we claim that there exists a positive integer $r$ depending only on $d$ and $\epsilon$ such that
• If $(Y, D + N)/Z$ is a $\mathbb{Q}$-factorial generalized pair with the following conditions:
  - $\dim Z = 0$ and $\dim Y = d$,
  - $D, N \in I$,
  - $Y$ is of Fano type, and
  - $(Y, D + N)$ has an $\epsilon$-lc $\mathbb{R}$-complement,
then it follows that $(Y, D + N) \in P(d, r, \frac{1}{r}I)$, where the notion $P(d, r, \frac{1}{r}I)$ is defined in Definition 6.4.

Indeed, by Lemma 6.24 such $Y$ belongs to a bounded family depending on $d$ and $\epsilon$. Hence, there exists a positive integer $r$ depending only on $d$ and $\epsilon$ such that $rF$ is Cartier for any Weil divisor $F$ on $Y$ (cf. [KawSS Lemma 1.12]). Therefore we have $(Y, D + N) \in P(d, r, \frac{1}{r}I)$.

We set $d \colonequals \min\{\delta_1, \delta_2\}$, where $\delta_1$ is the $\delta$ given in Theorem 6.16 applied to $d, r, \epsilon$ and $I' \colonequals \frac{1}{r}I$, and $\delta_2$ is the $\delta$ given in Theorem 6.23. By Lemma 6.14, there exist a partition $\Gamma = (a_1, \ldots, a_k)$ of one and finitely many $\mathbb{Q}$-linear functions $f_1, \ldots, f_k : \text{Span}_\mathbb{Q}(I \cup \{1\}) \to \mathbb{Q}$ fixing $\mathbb{Q}$ such that

1. $\sum_{i=1}^k a_i f_i = \text{id}$ and
2. $(f_i(a) - a) \leq \delta$ holds for every $a \in I$ and $i \in \{1, \ldots, k\}$.

Let $(X, B + M)$ be a generalized pair satisfying the conditions in the statement. Note that strong complements are preserved by taking push-forwards of small birational maps. Therefore we may assume that $X$ is $\mathbb{Q}$-factorial by replacing $X$ with its small $\mathbb{Q}$-factorialization. Then by the choice of $\delta_2$, it follows that $-(K_X + f_i(B) + f_i(M))$ is pseudo-effective. Let $X \dasharrow Y_i$ be the end result of a $-(K_X + f_i(B) + f_i(M))$-MMP. We denote by $B_i$ and $M_i$ the pushforward of $B$ and $M$ on $Y_i$, respectively. Since $(X, B + M)$ is $(\epsilon, \mathbb{R})$-complementary by assumption, so is $(Y_i, B_i + M_i)$. In particular, $(Y_i, B_i + M_i)$ is generalized $\epsilon$-lc and $(Y_i, B_i + M_i) \in P(d, r, I')$. Hence by the choice of $\delta_1$, $(Y_i, f_i(B_i) + f_i(M_i))$ is generalized $f_i(\epsilon)$-lc. Therefore by Theorem 6.21 and Remark 6.18, there exists a positive integer $n$ depending only on $d, \epsilon$ and $I$ such that there is a generalized strong $f_i(\epsilon)$-lc $n$-complement $K_X + B_i^+ + f_i(M)$ of $K_X + f_i(B) + f_i(M)$ for each $i$. We set $B^+ = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i B_i^+$. Then we have

$$\text{mld}(X, B^+ + M) = \text{mld}\left(X, \sum_{i=1}^k a_i B_i^+ + \sum_{i=1}^k a_i f_i(M)\right)$$

$$\geq \sum_{i=1}^k a_i \text{mld}(X, B_i^+ + f_i(M))$$

$$\geq \sum_{i=1}^k a_i f_i(\epsilon) = \epsilon.$$

Therefore $K_X + B^+ + M$ is a strong generalized $(\epsilon, n, \Gamma)$-decomposable complement of $K_X + B + M$.

**Case 2** Suppose $\epsilon = 0$.

The same argument as in Case 1 works by replacing Theorem 6.16 with Theorem 6.12 and Theorem 6.21 with Theorem 6.20 in the argument.

Theorem 6.27. Let $d$ be a positive integer and $\Lambda \subset [0, +\infty)$ a DCC set. Then there exists a positive real number $\Lambda'$ depending only on $d$ and $\Lambda$ such that the following condition holds: If

1. $(X, B + M)/Z$ is a generalized pair of dimension $d$,
2. $X$ is of Fano type over $Z$,
3. $(X, B + M)$ is $\mathbb{R}$-complementary,
• $B \in \Lambda$, and
• $M' = \sum_j m_j M'_j$ holds for some $m_j \in \Lambda$ and some nef$/Z$ Cartier divisors $M'_j \not\equiv 0$,

then $m_j \leq m'$ holds for each $j$.

**Proof.** Replacing $X$ with its small $\mathbb{Q}$-factorial modification, we may assume that $X$ is $\mathbb{Q}$-factorial.

First, we shall prove the boundedness of $m_j$ for $j$ satisfying $M'_j \neq \varphi^*(M_j)$. Let $\Gamma$ be the ACC set $J$ appearing in Theorem 6.1 when applying it to $I = \Lambda$. For each $j$ with $M'_j \neq \varphi^*(M_j)$, the generalized lc threshold $t$ of $M_j$ with respect to $(X, B + (M - m_j M_j))$ satisfies $m_j \leq t < +\infty$ and $t \in \Gamma$. In particular, $m_j$ is bounded from above by the maximum element $\max \Gamma$ of the ACC set $\Gamma$.

Next, we shall prove the boundedness of $m_j$ for $j$ satisfying $M'_j = \varphi^*(M_j)$. Suppose the contrary that for each $i \geq 1$, there exists a generalized lc pair $(X_i, B_i + M_i)/Z_i$ of dimension $d$ with the following conditions:

• $(X_i, B_i + M_i)/Z_i$ satisfies the assumptions in the statement.
• $M'_{i,0} = \varphi^*(M_{i,0})$ and $m_{i,0} \geq i$ hold when we write $M'_i = \sum_{j \geq 0} m_{i,j} M'_{i,j}$ as in the assumption.

Since $M_{i,0} \not\equiv Z_i 0$ by the assumption, $-(K_{X_i} + B_i + M_i + t_i M_{i,0})$ is not pseudo-effective over $Z_i$ for some $t_i > 0$. Since $X_i$ is of Fano type over $Z_i$, there exists a $-(K_{X_i} + B_i + M_i + t_i M_{i,0})$-MMP over $Z_i$ and it ends with a Mori fiber space $Y_i \to W_i$. Then $K_{Y_i} + B_{i,Y_i} + M_{i,Y_i} + t_i M_{i,0,Y_i}$ is ample over $W_i$, where $B_{i,Y_i}$, $M_{i,Y_i}$, and $M_{i,0,Y_i}$ are the strict transforms of $B_i$, $M_i$, and $M_{i,0}$, respectively. Since $(X_i, B_i + M_i)$ is $\mathbb{R}$-complementary, $(Y_i, B_{i,Y_i} + M_{i,Y_i})$ is generalized lc. Possibly replacing $X'_i$ with a higher model, we may assume that $\psi : X'_i \to Y_i$ is a morphism. Then for $i > \max \Gamma$, we have $\psi^*(M_{i,0,Y_i}) = M'_{i,0}$ by the same argument in the previous paragraph. Hence $(Y_i, B_{i,Y_i} + M_{i,Y_i} + t_i M_{i,0,Y_i})$ is also generalized lc. Let $F_i$ be a general fiber of $Y_i \to W_i$. We set $B_{F_i} := B_{i,Y_i}|_{F_i}$, $M_{F_i} := M_{i,Y_i}|_{F_i}$, $M_{i,0,F_i} := M_{i,0,Y_i}|_{F_i}$.

Then $(F_i, B_{F_i} + M_{F_i} + t_i M_{i,0,F_i})$ is generalized lc, $-(K_{F_i} + B_{F_i} + M_{F_i})$ is nef and $K_{F_i} + B_{F_i} + M_{F_i} + t_i M_{i,0,F_i}$ is ample. Therefore, there exists $\lambda_i \in (0, t_i)$ such that

• $K_{F_i} + B_{F_i} + M_{F_i} + \lambda_i M_{i,0,F_i} \equiv 0$, and
• $(F_i, B_{F_i} + M_{F_i} + \lambda_i M_{i,0,F_i})$ is generalized lc.

Note that $B_{F_i} \in \Lambda$ and $M_{F_i} + \lambda_i M_{i,0,F_i} \in \Lambda \cup \{m_{i,0} + \lambda_i \mid i\}$, and that $m_{i,0} + \lambda_i \geq i$. Therefore, we get a contradiction by Theorem 6.2.

**Corollary 6.28.** Fix a positive integer $d$ and a DCC subset $\Lambda \subset [0, +\infty)$ of real numbers. Then there exist a positive integer $n$ and a finite partition $\Gamma$ of one depending only on $d$ and $\Lambda$ such that the following condition holds: If

• $(X, B + M)/Z$ is a generalized lc pair of dimension $d$,
• $B, M \in \Lambda$ holds,
• $X$ is of Fano type over $Z$, and
• $(X, B + M)$ is $\mathbb{R}$-complementary over $Z$ for every $z \in Z$,

then for every point $z \in Z$, there exists a strong $(n, \Gamma)$-decomposable complement $K_X + B^+ + M^+$ of $K_X + B + M$ over $z$.

**Proof.** Replacing $X$ with a small $\mathbb{Q}$-factorial modification, we may assume that $X$ is $\mathbb{Q}$-factorial. Since $M \in \Lambda$, we may write

$$M' = \sum_j m_j M'_j + \sum_h n_h N'_h$$

Then $(X, B + M)/Z$ is a generalized lc pair of dimension $d$. The proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 6.1.
with $m_j, n_h \in \Lambda$ and some nef $\mathbb{Q}$-Cartier divisors $M'_j$ and $N'_h$ on $X'$, where each $M'_j$ satisfies $M'_j \not\equiv \mathbb{Q}$-Cartier divisors $M'_j$ and $N'_h$ on $X$, respectively. By Theorem 6.24, there exists a positive real number $m'$ such that $m_j \leq m'$ holds for every $j$. On the other hand, by the negativity lemma, $N'_h = \varphi^*(N_h)$ holds for every $h$. Since $N_h$ is a numerically trivial $\mathbb{Q}$-Cartier divisor on a Fano type variety $X$ over $\mathbb{Z}$, it follows that $N_h \sim \mathbb{Q}$-Cartier divisor $N_h$ over $\mathbb{Z}$.

In particular, for every point $z \in X$, $N_h \sim_{\mathbb{Q},Z} \mathbb{Q}$-Cartier divisor $N_h$ over $\mathbb{Z}$. By assumption, for every $z$, there exists an $R$-complement $K_X + B' + M'$ of $K_X + B + M$ over $z$. Therefore, $K_X + B' + M' + \sum_h ([n_h] - n_h)N_h$ is an $R$-complement of $K_X + B + M + \sum_h ([n_h] - n_h)N_h$ over $z$. Hence, $(X, B + \sum_j m_j M_j + \sum_h [n_h] N_h)$ is $R$-complementary over $z$. Then, the assertion follows from the case proved in [Che, Theorem 1.3] where $\Lambda$ is bounded. □

When $M' = 0$, the boundedness of complements are shown in [CX22, Theorem 1.5]. We give a brief proof here using Theorem 6.20.

Corollary 6.29 ([CX22, Theorem 1.5]). Fix a positive integer $d$, a DCC subset $\Lambda \subset [0, 1]$ of real numbers, and a non-negative real number $\epsilon$. Then there exist a positive integer $n$ and a finite partition $\Gamma$ of one depending only on $d$, $\Lambda$ and $\epsilon$ such that the following condition holds: If

- $(X, B)$ is a projective pair of dimension $d$,
- $B \in \Lambda$ holds,
- $X$ is of Fano type, and
- $(X, B)$ is $(\epsilon, R)$-complementary,

then there exists a strong $(\epsilon, n, \Gamma)$-decomposable complement $K_X + B'$ of $K_X + B$.

Proof. When $\epsilon = 0$, the assertion is the special case (i.e. $M' = 0$) of Corollary 6.28. Therefore, we may assume $\epsilon > 0$. Replacing $\Lambda$ with its closure, we may assume that $\Lambda$ is closed. Replacing $X$ with its small $\mathbb{Q}$-factorial modification, we may assume that $X$ is $\mathbb{Q}$-factorial.

By the proof of [FM20, Theorem 1.3], there exists a finite subset $\Lambda_0 \subset \Lambda$ depending only on $d$, $\Lambda$ and $\epsilon$ with the following condition:

(♠) If $(X, B)$ is a pair satisfying the assumptions in the statement, then there exists a boundary $B'$ of $X$ such that $B' \supset B$, $B' \in \Lambda_0$ and $(X, B')$ is $(\epsilon, R)$-complementary.

Then the assertion follows from Theorem 6.20. Note that in [FM20, Theorem 1.3], the rationality condition $\mathbb{Q} \subset \mathbb{Q}$ is assumed. However, for proving (♠), their proof works even for our setting $\Lambda = \mathbb{Q} \subset \mathbb{R}$. □

Remark 6.30. (1) Some results on the boundedness of complements are proved in [CH21] for surfaces (not necessarily of Fano type).

(2) Corollary 6.28 is proved in [Che, Theorem 1.3] for $\Lambda \subset [0, 1]$.

(3) Corollary 6.29 is proved in [CX22, Theorem 1.5]. Corollary 6.29 is still open for generalized pairs in general.

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