# Hacon-Mckernan-Xu's canonical bundle formula Summer 2025 Note 8 — 06, 06, 2025 (draft version) $Yi \ Li$

The aim of this note is to prove the following Hacon-Mckernan-Xu's subadjunction theorem and show varies applications. The major references are [Bir19] and [HMX14].

**Theorem 1** ([HMX14, Theorem 4.2]). Assume the following condition holds:

- (1) Let (X, B) be a projective klt pair;
- (2)  $G \subset X$  is a subvariety with normalisation F, (we want to do subadjunction on this F),
- (3) X is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -factorial near the generic point of G,
- (4)  $\Delta \geq 0$  is an  $\mathbb{R}$ -Cartier divisor on X; and  $(X, B + \Delta)$  is lc near the generic point of G, (the LC condition allow us to find some DLT model near G),
- (5) there is a unique non-klt place of this pair whose centre is G.
- (6) Let  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ , and let  $\Phi$  be a subset of [0,1] that contains 1, and dim X=d and  $B \in \Phi$ .

We then use MMP arguement (see more detail below) find some DLT model  $\psi: Y \to X$ , such that there exists unique component S with coefficient 1, and a contraction  $h: S \to F$ . We then apply the canonical bundle formula

$$K_S + \Xi_S \sim_{\mathbb{R}} h^*(K_F + \Theta_F + P_F),$$

where  $\Xi_S$  is some axillary boundary divisor (which will be contruced below) and  $\Theta_F$  is the discriminant divisor and  $P_F$  is the moduli divisor in the canonical bundle formula.

Then Hacon-Mckernan-Xu subadjunction theorem says that:

- (a) (coefficient control on discriminant part) The coefficient of the discriminant divisor  $\Theta_F$  belong to  $\Psi := \{a \mid 1 a \in LCT_{d-1}(D(\Phi))\} \cup \{1\}$ , thus only depends on B not  $\Delta$ .
- (b) (positivity on moduli part)  $P_F$  is pseudo-effective.

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## 2 Applications of Hacon-Mckernan-Xu's subadjunction

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