

Vanishing theorems for (k, s) -positive vector bundles on weakly pseudoconvex Kähler manifolds

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Abstract: We will use analytic methods in this paper, based on L^2 -methods for the $\bar{\partial}$ -equation, to obtain some new vanishing theorems for holomorphic vector bundles of (k, s) -positivity on weakly pseudoconvex Kähler manifolds which generalize those obtained by Demailly for s -positive vector bundles in his sense.

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1. Introduction

The subject of cohomology vanishing theorems for holomorphic vector bundles on complex manifolds occupies a role of central importance in several complex variables and algebraic geometry. The theory formally began in 1953 with the Kodaira vanishing theorem, and its roots can be traced back to Riemann and Roch for the case of curves and to Picard for surfaces.

In this paper, we will investigate vanishing theorems from the viewpoint of complex differential geometry. Similarly, there are many excellent researches on vanishing theorems in recent years, such as articles [14] by Liu-Sun-Yang and [15] by Liu-Yang. Our original motivation was to understand the Demailly s -positivity (see [6]), which is equivalent to the Griffiths positivity when $s = 1$ and to the Nakano positivity when s attains its maximum. The Demailly s -positivity is a concept which is difficult to understand and

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to check. In [1], Yang introduce the notion of (k, s) -positivity from the viewpoint of the theory of Hermitian forms in linear algebra. When $k = 0$, it is equivalent to Demailly's s -positivity; if $s = 1$ and in the case of line bundle, it is just k -positivity used implicitly by Gigante and Girbau in [7, 8].

We will use the analytic methods, based on the theory of harmonic integrals or the L^2 -method for the $\bar{\partial}$ -equation, to study vanishing theorems for holomorphic vector bundles of (k, s) -positivity on weakly pseudoconvex Kähler manifolds.

The main result in this paper is the following Theorem 1.1,

Theorem 1.1. *Let (X, ω) be a weakly pseudoconvex Kähler manifold of dimension n and E a hermitian holomorphic vector bundle of rank r on X such that $E >_{(k,s)} 0$. Then*

$$H^{n,q}(X, E) = 0$$

for any $q > k$ and $s \geq \min\{n - q + 1, r\}$.

If $k = 0$, the above theorem was firstly proved by Demailly in [2]. In addition, when Kähler manifold is compact, the result was proved by Yang in [1].

The following results follow immediately from Theorem 1.1:

Corollary 1.2. *Let (X, ω) be a compact Kähler manifold of dimension n and E a hermitian holomorphic vector bundle of rank r on X such that $E >_{(k,s)} 0$. Then for any nef line bundle F on X , we have*

$$H^{n,q}(X, E \otimes F) = 0$$

for any $q > k$ and $s \geq \min\{n - q + 1, r\}$.

As applications of Theorem 1.1, we get the following results.

Theorem 1.3. *Let E be a Griffiths k -positive Hermitian holomorphic vector bundle of rank $r \geq 2$ on a weakly pseudoconvex Kähler manifold of dimension n . Then for any integer $s \geq 1$, we have:*

- (1) $H^q(X, K_X \otimes E \otimes \det E) = 0$ for $q > k$;
- (2) $H^q(X, K_X \otimes E^* \otimes (\det E)^s) = 0$ for $q > k$ and $s \geq \min\{n - q + 1, r\}$.

When $k = 0$, the above theorem covers the following corollary which was proved by Demailly:

Corollary 1.4 ([2], 346). *Let X be a compact n -dimensional complex manifold, E a vector bundle of rank $r \geq 2$ and $m \geq 1$ an integer. Then*

- (a) $E >_{Grif} 0 \Rightarrow H^q(X, K_X \otimes E \otimes \det E) = 0$ for $q \geq 1$;
- (b) $E >_{Grif} 0 \Rightarrow H^q(X, K_X \otimes E^* \otimes (\det E)^m) = 0$ for $q \geq 1$ and $m \geq \min\{n - q + 1, r\}$.

2. Preliminaries

In this section we will collect some fundamental material.

Let X be a complex manifolds of dimension n and E a holomorphic vector bundle of rank r over X . Now suppose that X is equipped with a Hermitian metric g , and E is any complex vector bundle with a Hermitian metric h and a Hermitian connection D , which splits in a unique way as a sum of a (1,0)- and (0,1)-connection: $D = D' + D''$. If E is a holomorphic vector bundle, there is a unique Hermitian connection, called the Chern connection such that $D'' = \bar{\partial}$ and hence $D'^2 = D''^2 = 0$. Thus the curvature form $\Theta_h(E) = D' D'' + D'' D'$ is an $End(E)$ -valued(1,1)-form and $i\Theta_h(E)$ is called the Chern curvature form of E . Let $\{z^j\}$ be the local holomorphic coordinate of X , $\{e_\alpha\}$ an orthonormal frame and $\{e^\alpha\}$ the dual orthonormal frame of E . Let $(g_{j\bar{k}})$ and $(h_{\alpha\bar{\beta}})$ be the Hermitian metrics on X and on E respectively, and their inverses denoted respectively by $(g^{i\bar{j}})$ and $(h^{\alpha\bar{\beta}})$. Then we can write the Kähler form and the curvature form respectively as

$$(2.1) \quad \omega = ig_{j\bar{k}}dz^j \wedge d\bar{z}^k, \quad i\Theta_h(E) = R_{\beta\bar{j}\bar{k}}^\alpha dz^j \wedge d\bar{z}^k \otimes e_\alpha \otimes e^\beta,$$

where

$$(2.2) \quad R_{\beta\bar{j}\bar{k}}^\alpha = -h^{\alpha\bar{\gamma}}\partial_j\bar{\partial}_k h_{\beta\bar{\gamma}} + h^{\alpha\bar{\gamma}}h^{\lambda\bar{\mu}}\partial_j h_{\beta\bar{\mu}}\bar{\partial}_k h_{\lambda\bar{\gamma}}.$$

For $u = u_{J,\bar{K}}^\alpha dz^J \wedge d\bar{z}^{\bar{K}} \otimes e_\alpha \in \Omega_X^{p,q}(E)$, we have the following formula:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle [i\Theta_h(E), \Lambda]u, u \rangle_\omega &= \frac{1}{(p-1)!q!} R_{\alpha\bar{\beta}j\bar{k}} g^{l\bar{k}} u_{lR_{p-1},\bar{K}_q}^\alpha \overline{u^{\beta,j\bar{R}_{p-1},K_q}} \\ &+ \frac{1}{(p)!(q-1)!} R_{\alpha\bar{\beta}j\bar{k}} g^{j\bar{l}} u_{J_p,\bar{l}S_{q-1}}^\alpha \overline{u^{\beta,j\bar{R}_p,kS_{q-1}}} \\ &- \frac{1}{(p)!q!} R_{\alpha\bar{\beta}j\bar{k}} g^{j\bar{k}} u_{J_p,\bar{K}_q}^\alpha \overline{u_{J_p,K_q}^\beta}. \end{aligned}$$

If we choose normal metrics both on the base X and the fiber E with $g_{j\bar{k}} = \delta_{j\bar{k}}$ and $h_{\alpha\bar{\beta}} = \delta_{\alpha\bar{\beta}}$, then we have the following simpler expression:

$$(2.3) \quad \begin{aligned} \langle [i\Theta_h(E), \Lambda]u, u \rangle_\omega &= R_{\alpha\bar{\beta}j\bar{k}} u_{kR_{p-1},\bar{K}_q}^\alpha \overline{u_{j\bar{R}_{p-1},K_q}^\beta} \\ &+ R_{\alpha\bar{\beta}j\bar{k}} u_{J_p,j\bar{S}_{q-1}}^\alpha \overline{u_{J_p,kS_{q-1}}^\beta} \\ &- R_{\alpha\bar{\beta}j\bar{j}} u_{J_p,\bar{K}_q}^\alpha \overline{u_{J_p,K_q}^\beta} \end{aligned}$$

where the summation is over all indices $1 \leq j, k \leq n, 1 \leq \alpha, \beta \leq r$ and over all multi-indices $J_p, K_q, R_{p-1}, S_{q-1}$ of an increasing order with $|J_p| = p, |K_q = q|, |R_{p-1}| = p - 1$ and $|S_{q-1}| = q - 1$. However, it is still very hard to decide when the expression (2.3) is positive, except in some special cases.

A first tractable case is that when $p = n$. Then in the first summation of (2.3) we must have $j = k$ and $R_{n-1} = \{1, \dots, n\} \setminus \{j\}$. So the first summation cancels the last summation.

In [6] Demailly introduced the notion of s-positivity for any integer $1 \leq s \leq r$ for a vector bundle E of rank r . We cited it as the Demailly s-positivity. In particular, the Demailly one-positivity is just the Griffiths-positivity and the Demailly s-positivity for $s \geq \min\{r, n\}$ is exactly the Nakano-positivity.

Definition 2.1 ([6]). A tensor $u \in TX \otimes E$ is called rank s if s is the smallest non-negative integer such that u can be written as

$$u = \sum_{j=1}^s \xi^j \otimes v^j, \xi^j \in TX, v^j \in E.$$

E is said to be Demailly s-positive if $i\Theta_h(E)(u, u) > 0$ for any nonzero $u \in TX \otimes E$ of rank $\leq s$. From this definition, the set of tensors whose rank is no more than s , do not form a linear subspace since they are not closed under addition. To capture the essence of it, we adopt the following formulation, which uses the theory of Hermitian form and is a more general definition.

Definition 2.2 ([1]). A holomorphic vector bundle E of rank r with Hermitian metric h on a complex manifold X of complex dimension n is called (k, s) -positive for $1 \leq s \leq r$, if the following holds for any $x \in X$: For any nonzero s-tuple vectors $v^j \in V, 1 \leq j \leq s$, where $V = E_x$ (respectively, T_xX), the Hermitian form

$$Q_x(\bullet, \bullet) = i\Theta_h(E)\left(\sum_{j=1}^s \cdot \otimes v^j, \sum_{j=1}^s \cdot \otimes v^j\right), \bullet \in W^{\oplus s}, \cdot \in W$$

defined on W^{\oplus} is semipositive and the dimension of its kernel is at most k , where $W = T_xX$ (respectively, E_x). In this case we write as

$$i\Theta_h(E) >_{(k,s)} 0, E >_{(k,s)} 0.$$

Clearly $(0, s)$ -positivity is equivalent to Demailly s-positivity and Nakano-positivity is equivalent to $(0, s)$ -positivity if $s \geq \min\{n, r\}$. The $(0, 1)$ -positivity is equivalent to Griffiths-positivity. For general integer k , the $(k, 1)$ -positivity

is a semipositive version of Griffiths-positivity. A holomorphic vector bundle E of arbitrary rank is called *Griffiths k -positive* if it is $(k, 1)$ -positive.

Of course one such example is Grassmannian which was proved by Yang in [1]:

Example 2.3. Let V be a complex vector space of dimension n and let $Gr(V, d)$ denote the Grassmannian of subspaces W of V of codimension d . Yang explained in detail that the holomorphic tangent bundle of $Gr(V, d)$ is $((d - 1)(n - d - 1), 1)$ -positive. Similar calculations indicate that the holomorphic tangent bundle of complex projective space \mathbb{P}^{n-1} is Nakano-semipositive and $((n - 1)(s - 1), s)$ -positive for any $1 \leq s \leq n - 1$.

Definition 2.4 ([2]). A complex manifold M is said to be *weakly pseudoconvex* if there exists an exhaustion function $\psi \in C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R})$ such that $i\partial\bar{\partial}\psi \geq 0$ on X , i.e. ψ is plurisubharmonic (psh for short).

Remark 2.5. It is obvious that for domains $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}^n$, the above weak pseudoconvexity notion is equivalent to pseudoconvexity (see [2]). Note that every compact complex manifold is also weakly pseudoconvex (take $\psi \equiv 0$).

Definition 2.6. Let (M, ω) be a compact Kähler manifold. A line bundle L over M is said to be *nef*, if for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a (smooth) hermitian metric h_ε^L on L such that the curvature $\sqrt{-1}\Theta(h_\varepsilon^L)$ of h_ε^L satisfies $\sqrt{-1}\Theta(h_\varepsilon^L) \geq -\varepsilon\omega$.

3. Proof of Theorem 1.1, Corollary 1.2 and Theorem 1.3

In this section, we prove Theorem 1.1, Corollary 1.2 and Theorem 1.3. We denote X a weakly pseudoconvex manifold of dimension n . In particular, we may choose X to be a compact complex manifold. Assume that E (resp. L) is a hermitian vector (resp. line) bundle over X of rank r . We need the following Theorem 3.1, which plays a key role in proving all kinds of vanishing theorems in non compact cases.

Theorem 3.1 ([3, 5]). *Let (M, ω) be a Kähler manifold. Here M is not necessarily compact, but we assume that the geodesic distance δ_ω is complete (i.e ω is complete) on M . Let E be a hermitian vector bundle of rank r over M , and assume that the curvature operator $A = A_{E,h,\omega}^{p,q} = [\sqrt{-1}\Theta(E, h), \Lambda_\omega]$ is positive definite everywhere on $\Lambda^{p,q}T^*M \otimes E$, $q \geq 1$. Then for any form $g \in L^2(M, \Lambda^{p,q}T^*M \otimes E)$ satisfying $\bar{\partial}g = 0$ and $\int_M (A^{-1}g, g)dV_\omega < +\infty$, there exists $f \in L^2(M, \Lambda^{p,q-1}T^*M \otimes E)$ such that $\bar{\partial}f = g$ and*

$$\int_M |f|^2 dV_\omega \leq \int_M (A^{-1}g, g)dV_\omega.$$

This famous result is essentially due to Hörmander in [5] and Andreotti-Vesentini in [3]. Here we use the version suitable for our purpose as stated in [4].

Recall from (2.3) we have

$$\langle [i\Theta_h(E), \Lambda]u, u \rangle_\omega = \sum_{S_{q-1, \alpha, \beta, j, k}} R_{\alpha\bar{\beta}j\bar{k}} u_{j\bar{S}_{q-1}}^\alpha \overline{u_{k\bar{S}_{q-1}}^\beta}$$

for any (n, q) -form $u = \sum u_{\bar{K}}^\alpha dz^1 \wedge \cdots \wedge dz^n \wedge d\bar{z}^K \otimes e^\alpha$ with value in E . Since $u_{j\bar{S}_{q-1}}^\alpha = 0$ for $j \in \bar{S}_{q-1}$, so the rank (in the sense of Demailly) of $(u_j^\alpha)_{j, \alpha}$ is in fact no more than $\min\{n - q + 1, r\}$. Therefore we obtain:

Lemma 3.2 ([2], 341). *Assume that E is Demailly s -positive. Then the Hermitian operator $[i\Theta(E), \Lambda]$ is positive definite on $\Lambda^{n, q} T^* X \otimes E$ for $q \geq 1$ and $m \geq \min\{n - q + 1, r\}$.*

Now we are ready to prove the main result in this paper:

Theorem 3.3 (=Theorem 1.1). *Let (X, ω) be a weakly pseudoconvex Kähler manifold of dimension n and E a hermitian holomorphic vector bundle of rank r on X such that $E \succ_{(k, s)} 0$. Then*

$$H^{n, q}(X, E) = 0$$

for any $q > k$ and $s \geq \min\{n - q + 1, r\}$.

Proof of Theorem 3.3. We may assume $k < n$. since every weakly pseudoconvex Kähler manifold (X, ω) carries a complete Kähler $\widehat{\omega}$ (see [2], page 372), we will discuss the following proof in the sense of $\widehat{\omega}$.

For any E -valued (n, q) -form

$$u = \sum u_{\bar{K}}^\alpha dz^1 \wedge \cdots \wedge dz^n \wedge d\bar{z}^K \otimes e^\alpha \in \Omega^{n, q}(E)$$

by Definition 2.2, we could diagonalize the Hermitian form $i\Theta_h(E)(u, u)$ at $x \in X$ since it is semipositive. Therefore we could write

$$\begin{aligned} \langle [i\Theta_h(E), \Lambda]u, u \rangle_{\widehat{\omega}} &= \sum_{S_{q-1, \alpha, \beta, j, k}} R_{\alpha\bar{\beta}j\bar{k}}(x) u_{j\bar{S}_{q-1}}^\alpha \overline{u_{k\bar{S}_{q-1}}^\beta} \\ &= \sum_{S_{q-1, \alpha, j}} \lambda_j^\alpha(x) u_{j\bar{S}_{q-1}}^\alpha \overline{u_{j\bar{S}_{q-1}}^\alpha} \end{aligned}$$

Where the eigenvalues $(\lambda_j^\alpha)_{1 \leq j \leq n, 1 \leq \alpha \leq r}$ are non-negative. For fixed α , without loss of generality, assume that $\lambda_1^\alpha \leq \lambda_2^\alpha \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n^\alpha$ with $\lambda_{k+1}^\alpha > 0$ (by Definition 2.2, the dimension of kernel is at most k). Put $\lambda(x) = \min\{\lambda_{k+1}^\alpha | 1 \leq \alpha \leq r\}$, Then λ is a positive number. If $q > k$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle [i\Theta_h(E), \Lambda]u, u \rangle_{\widehat{\omega}} &= \sum_{j, \overline{S}_{q-1}} \sum_{\alpha} \lambda_j^\alpha |u_{j\overline{S}_{q-1}}^\alpha|^2 \\ &= \sum_k \sum_{\alpha} \sum_{j \in K} \lambda_j^\alpha |u_{\overline{K}}^\alpha|^2 \\ &\geq \sum_K \sum_{\alpha} (\lambda_1^\alpha + \lambda_2^\alpha + \dots + \lambda_q^\alpha) |u_{\overline{K}}^\alpha|^2 \\ &\geq \lambda(x) (\sum_K \sum_{\alpha} |u_{\overline{K}}^\alpha|^2) \\ &= \lambda(x) |u|_{\widehat{\omega}}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Thus when $q > k$, then for any $x \in X$, $[i\Theta_h(E), \Lambda]$ is positive-definite on E -valued (n, q) -forms.

Assume that the Hermitian operator $A_{E, \widehat{\omega}} = [i\Theta_h(E), \Lambda]$. Let $\psi \in C^\infty(X, R)$ be a exhaustive plurisubharmonic function. For any convex increasing function $\chi \in C^\infty(R, R)$, we denote by E_χ the holomorphic vector bundle E together with the modified metric $|u|_\chi^2 = |u|^2 \exp(-\chi \circ \psi(x))$, $u \in E_x$. We get

$$i\Theta(E_\chi) = i\Theta(E) + i d' d'' (\chi \circ \psi) \otimes Id_E$$

Since we have

$$\begin{aligned} i d' d'' (\chi \circ \psi) &= i(\chi' \circ \psi) d' d'' \psi + i(\chi'' \circ \psi) d' \psi \wedge d'' \psi \\ \chi' \circ \psi \geq 0, \chi'' \circ \psi &\geq 0, d' d'' \psi \geq 0, d' \psi \wedge d'' \psi \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $i\Theta(E_\chi) - i\Theta(E) \succ_{(k,s)} 0$. Thus $A_{E_\chi, \widehat{\omega}} \geq A_{E, \widehat{\omega}} > 0$ in bidegree (n, q) . For $g \in C_{n,q}^\infty(X, E)$ with $D'' g = 0$. The integrals

$$\begin{aligned} \int_X \langle A_{E_\chi, \widehat{\omega}}^{-1} g, g \rangle_\chi dV_{\widehat{\omega}} &= \int_X \langle A_{E_\chi \widehat{\omega}}^{-1} g, g \rangle e^{-\chi \circ \psi} dV_{\widehat{\omega}} \\ &\leq \int_X \langle A_{E, \widehat{\omega}}^{-1} g, g \rangle e^{-\chi \circ \psi} dV_{\widehat{\omega}} < +\infty, \int_X |g|^2 e^{-\chi \circ \psi} dV_{\widehat{\omega}} < +\infty \end{aligned}$$

become convergent if χ grow fast enough. In fact, since ψ is an exhaustion function, for every $c \in R$, the sublevel set $X_c = \{x \in M; \psi(x) < c\}$ is

relatively compact in X , we can assume $\psi \geq 0$. we can take χ , such that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_X \langle A_{E,\widehat{\omega}}^{-1}g, g \rangle e^{-\chi \circ \psi} dV_{\widehat{\omega}} &= \lim_{c \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{X_c} \langle A_{E,\widehat{\omega}}^{-1}g, g \rangle e^{-\chi \circ \psi} dV_{\widehat{\omega}} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n \int_{X\{k \leq \psi \leq k+1\}} \langle A_{E,\widehat{\omega}}^{-1}g, g \rangle e^{-\chi \circ \psi} dV_{\widehat{\omega}} \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n e^{-\chi(k)} \int_{X(k \leq \psi \leq k+1)} \langle A^{-1}g, g \rangle dV_{\widehat{\omega}} \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=0}^n 3^{-k} = \frac{3}{2} < +\infty \end{aligned}$$

We can get $g \in L_{n,q}^2(X, E_\chi, \widehat{\omega})$.

In conclusion, we have proved that for any $g \in C_{n,q}^\infty(X, E)$ with $D''g = 0$, there exists a convex increasing function χ such that:

- (1) $A_{E_\chi, \widehat{\omega}} > 0$ on $C_{n,q}^\infty(X, E)$
- (2) $g \in L_{n,q}^2(X, E_\chi, \widehat{\omega})$

By Theorem 3.1, we can find $f \in L_{n,q-1}^2(X, E_\chi, \widehat{\omega})$ such that $D''f = g$. By a remark in [2], page 372, we conclude that f can be chosen smooth. So $H^{n,q}(X, E) = 0$ for $q > k$ and $s \geq \min\{n - q + 1, r\}$. □

Especially, we can obtain the following result.

Corollary 3.4. (1) *Let (X, ω) be a weakly pseudoconvex Kähler manifold of dimension n and E a hermitian holomorphic vector bundle of rank r on X such that $E >_{(k,r)} 0$. Then*

$$H^{n,q}(X, E) = 0, \forall q > k$$

(2) *Let (X, ω) be a weakly pseudoconvex Kähler manifold of dimension n and E a hermitian holomorphic vector bundle of rank r on X such that $E >_{(k,s)} 0$. Then*

$$H^{n,n}(X, E) = 0$$

If X is a compact complex manifold, then we can also deal with some nef cases.

Corollary 3.5 (=Corollary 1.2). *Let (X, ω) be a compact Kähler manifold of dimension n and E a hermitian holomorphic vector bundle of rank r on X such that $E >_{(k,s)} 0$. Then for any nef line bundle L over X , we have*

$$H^{n,q}(X, E \otimes L) = 0$$

for any $q > k$ and $s \geq \min\{n - q + 1, r\}$.

Proof of Corollary 3.5. Similarly, for any $E \otimes L$ -valued (n, q) -form u , we can get

$$\langle [i\Theta(E), \Lambda]u, u \rangle \geq \lambda(x)|u|_\omega^2, \lambda(x) > 0$$

Since X is compact, there exists a positive constant λ_0 , such that $\lambda_0 = \liminf_{x \in X} \{\lambda(x)\} > 0$. By definition of nef, we can take $\epsilon = -\frac{\lambda_0}{2q}$, there is a metric h_ϵ on L , such that $i\Theta_{L, h_\epsilon} \geq \epsilon\omega = -\frac{\lambda_0}{2q}\omega$.

Note that $i\Theta(E \otimes L) = i\Theta(E) + Id_E \otimes i\Theta(L) \geq i\Theta(E) + \epsilon\omega \otimes Id_E$. Clearly, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle [i\Theta(E \otimes L), \Lambda]u, u \rangle_\omega &\geq \langle [i\Theta(E), \Lambda]u, u \rangle_\omega + \langle [\epsilon\omega \otimes Id_E, \Lambda]u, u \rangle_\omega \\ &\geq \lambda_0|u|_\omega^2 + \epsilon q|u|_\omega^2 = \frac{\lambda_0}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Thus $[i\Theta(E \otimes L), \Lambda]$ acting on $\Lambda^{n,q}T^*X \otimes E \otimes L$ is positive definite. So we have $H^{n,q}(X, E \otimes L) = 0$, for any $q > k$ and $s \geq \min\{n - q + 1, r\}$. □

To show Theorem 1.3, we need give the following propositions and corollary.

Proposition 3.6 (Yang, [1]). *Let E be a rank r holomorphic vector bundle with Hermitian metric h on a complex manifold X of dimension n . If E is Griffiths k -positive, then for any integer $1 \leq s \leq \min\{r, n\}$,*

$$i\Theta_h(E) + Tr_E(i\Theta_h(E)) \otimes h >_{(k,s)} 0.$$

Proposition 3.7 (Yang, [1]). *Let E be a holomorphic vector bundle of rank $r \geq 2$ with Hermitian metric h on a complex manifold X of dimension n . If E is Griffiths k -positive, then for any integer $1 \leq s \leq \max\{r, n\}$, we have*

$$sTr_E(i\Theta_h(E)) \otimes h - i\Theta_h(E) >_{(k,s)} 0.$$

Corollary 3.8. *Let E be a Griffiths k -positive Hermitian holomorphic vector bundle of rank $r \geq 2$. Then for any integer $m \geq 1$,*

$$E^* \otimes (\det E)^s >_{(k,s)} 0.$$

Proof. Apply Proposition 3.7 to $E^* \otimes TX$ and note that

$$i\Theta(E^* \otimes (\det E)^s) = s(i\Theta(\det E)) \otimes h + i\Theta(E^*) = sTr_E(i\Theta(E)) \otimes h - i\Theta(E)^t$$
 and $Tr_E(i\Theta(E)) = Tr_E(i\Theta(E)^t)$. □

Theorem 3.3 in combination with Proposition 3.6 and Corollary 3.8 immediately imply the following consequences:

Theorem 3.9 (=Theorem 1.3). *Let E be a Griffiths k -positive Hermitian holomorphic vector bundle of rank $r \geq 2$ on a weakly pseudoconvex Kähler manifold of dimension n . Then for any integer $s \geq 1$, we have:*

- (1) $H^q(X, K_X \otimes E \otimes \det E) = 0$ for $q > k$;
- (2) $H^q(X, K_X \otimes E^* \otimes (\det E)^s) = 0$ for $q > k$ and $s \geq \min\{n - q + 1, r\}$.

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