

**EXTENSION OF HOLOMORPHIC VECTOR
BUNDLES ACROSS A BOUNDARY POINT
AND INDECOMPOSABILITY**

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Abstract: Here we extend two previous results of mine concerning the existence of non-extendable holomorphic vector bundles across a 2-concave boundary point.

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1. Indecomposable Vector Bundles with Prescribed Rank

Here we prove two generalizations (see Theorem 1 and Theorem 2) of two results of mine (respectively [1], Theorem 1, and [1], Theorem 2) concerning the existence of holomorphic vector bundles non-extendable across a boundary point.

Theorem 1. *Let $U \subsetneq \mathbb{C}^n$, $n \geq 3$, be a domain and $P \in \partial U$ such that U is 2-concave at P . Fix an integer $r \geq n - 1$. Then there exists a rank r indecomposable holomorphic vector bundle E on U which does not extend*

across P , but it extends across every $Q \in \partial U$ with $Q \neq P$. Furthermore, $E|U \cap \Omega$ is indecomposable for every open neighborhood Ω of P in \mathbb{C}^n and $f^*(E|\Omega)$ is indecomposable for every flat and finite holomorphic map $f : Y \rightarrow \Omega$.

Remark 1. Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a quasi-finite and flat holomorphic map and F a reflexive coherent sheaf on Y . Then $f^*(F)$ is a reflexive coherent sheaf on X (see [2], Proposition 1.4, for the algebraic case; with only notational modifications that proof works in the analytic set-up). Now assume Y smooth. We recall that a quasi-finite map $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is flat if and only if X is locally Cohen-Macaulay, i.e. all local rings $\mathcal{O}_{X,P}$, $P \in X_{red}$, are local Cohen-macaulay rings. We recall that X is locally Cohen-Macaulay if it is smooth .

Notation 1. For any finite-dimensional Stein complex space X and any $P \in X$ let $e(X, P)$ denote the minimal integer t such that there is a holomorphic map $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^t$ which is a holomorphic embedding at P and such that $f^{-1}(f(P)) = \{P\}$. It is well-known that $\dim_P(X) \leq e(X, P) \leq \min\{\dim_P(X) + 1, N\}$, where N denote the embedding dimension of X at P . Hence $\dim_P(X) \leq e(X, P) \leq \dim_P(X) + 1$ if X is smooth at P .

Theorem 2. Let X be a Stein space, $U \not\subseteq X$ an open subset and $P \in \partial U$ such that X is smooth of dimension at least 3 at P and U is 2-concave at P . Fix an integer $r \geq e(X, P) - 1$. Then there exists a rank r indecomposable holomorphic vector bundle on U which does not extend across P , but it extends across every $Q \in \partial U$ with $Q \neq P$. Furthermore, $E|U \cap \Omega$ is indecomposable for every open neighborhood Ω of P in \mathbb{C}^n and $f^*(E|\Omega)$ is indecomposable for every flat and finite holomorphic map $f : Y \rightarrow \Omega$.

Remark 2. Let R be a Noetherian commutative local ring and N a finitely generated R -module with homological dimension at most 1. Hence there is an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow R^x \rightarrow R^y \rightarrow N \rightarrow 0 \quad (1)$$

for some positive integers x, y . Applying the functor $\text{Hom}(-, N)$ to (1) we get the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}(N, N) \rightarrow N^{\oplus y} \rightarrow N^{\oplus x} \quad (2)$$

Hence if N is reflexive, then $\text{Hom}(N, N)$ is reflexive ([2], Proposition 1.1).

Remark 3. Let T be a reduced complex space, $P \in T$ and \mathcal{E} a reflexive sheaf on T and V an irreducible open subset of T such that $E := \mathcal{E}|V$ is locally free. The holomorphic vector bundle E on V is decomposable, say $E \cong E_1 \oplus E_2$ with neither $0 < \text{rank}(E_i) < \text{rank}(E)$ if and only if there is a nontrivial projector $\pi_1 \in \text{Hom}(E, E)$. Now assume that \mathcal{E} is reflexive and that T has depth at least

3 at each point of $T \setminus V$. By Remark 2 the coherent sheaf $\text{Hom}(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{E})$ is reflexive and hence we may apply all the extension theorems (not only from $H^0(V, E)$ to $H^0(T, \mathcal{E})$, but also from $H^0(V, \text{Hom}(E, E))$ to $H^0(T, \text{Hom}(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{E}))$ quoted in [1].

Proofs of Theorem 1 and Theorem 2. Let R be an n -dimensional regular local ring ($n \geq 2$). Let \mathfrak{m} denote the maximal ideal of R . In the set-up of the proof of [1], Theorem 1, we started with $z_1, \dots, z_n \in \mathfrak{m}$ such that their images in $\mathfrak{m}/\mathfrak{m}^2$ are a basis of the R/\mathfrak{m} -vector space $\mathfrak{m}/\mathfrak{m}^2$. In the set-up of [1], Theorem 2, we take more elements, so that they generate $\mathfrak{m}/\mathfrak{m}^2$, but their images are not a basis of it. In the latter case we cannot always get indecomposable non-extendable vector bundles. To prove Theorem 1 and Theorem 2 we need to fix an integer $k \gg 0$ and then starting from $r + 1$ elements of \mathfrak{m}^k whose images in $\mathfrak{m}^k/\mathfrak{m}^{k+1}$ are linearly independent. Then we apply Remarks 1, 2 and 3 to complete the proofs of [1], Theorem 1 and Theorem 2. \square

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