

UNIQUENESS PROBLEM FOR DIFFERENTIAL POLYNOMIALS OF FERMAT-WARING TYPE

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we discuss the uniqueness problem for differential polynomials $(P^n(f))^{(k)}, (Q^n(g))^{(k)}$ sharing the same values, where $P = f^d + a_1f^{d-m} + b_1f^{d-m+1} + c_1$ and $Q = g^d + a_2g^{d-m} + b_2g^{d-m+1} + c_2$ are polynomials of Fermat-Waring type. On non-Archimedean field, f and g are meromorphic functions.

1. INTRODUCTION, NOTATION AND MAIN RESULTS

Let \mathbb{H} be an algebraically closed field of characteristic zero, complete for a non-Archimedean absolute value. We denote by $A(\mathbb{H})$ the ring of entire functions in \mathbb{H} , by $M(\mathbb{H})$ the field of meromorphic functions, i.e., the field of fractions of $A(\mathbb{H})$, and $\widehat{\mathbb{H}} = \mathbb{H} \cup \{\infty\}$. We assume that the reader is familiar with the notations in the non-Archimedean Nevanlinna theory (see [10]). Let f be a non-constant meromorphic function on \mathbb{H} . For every $a \in \mathbb{H}$, define the function $d_f^a : \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ by

$$d_f^a(z) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } f(z) \neq a \\ m & \text{if } f(z) = a \text{ with multiplicity } m, \end{cases}$$

and set $d_f^\infty = d_{\frac{1}{f}}^0$. For $f \in M(\mathbb{H})$ and $S \subset \widehat{\mathbb{H}} \cup \{\infty\}$, we define

$$E_f(S) = \cup_{a \in S} \{(z, d_f^a(z)) : z \in \mathbb{H}\}.$$

In this paper, we consider the differential operator $(P^n(f))^{(k)}$ and $(Q^n(g))^{(k)}$ sharing the same value where P and Q are Fermat-Waring type polynomials. Then we establish an uniqueness theorem for non-archimedean meromorphic functions and their differential polynomials.

Now let us describe main results of the paper. Let $d, m, n, k \in \mathbb{N}^*$ and $a_1, b_1, c_1, a_2, b_2, c_2, k \in \mathbb{H}$; where \mathbb{H} be an algebraically closed field of characteristic zero, complete for a non-Archimedean absolute value. $a_1, b_1, c_1, a_2, b_2, c_2 \neq 0$. We will let

$$P(z) = z^d + a_1z^{d-m} + b_1z^{d-m+1} + c_1 \text{ and } Q(z) = z^d + a_2z^{d-m} + b_2z^{d-m+1} + c_2, \quad (1.1)$$

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be a polynomials of degree d of Fermat-Waring type in $\mathbb{H}[z]$ without multiple zeros. We shall prove the following theorems.

Theorem I. *Let f and g be two non-constant meromorphic functions on \mathbb{H} and let $P(z), Q(z)$ be defined in (1.1). Assume that $n \geq 3k + 5, d \geq 2m + 10$ and either $m \geq 2$ or $(d, m + 1) = 1$ and $m \geq 1$. If $(P^n(f))^{(k)}$ and $(Q^n(g))^{(k)}$ share 1 CM, then $g = hf$ and for a constant h such that $h^d = \frac{c_2}{c_1}, h^{nd} = 1, h^m = \frac{b_2}{b_1}, h^{m+1} = \frac{a_2}{a_1}$.*

Theorem II. *Let f and g be two non-constant meromorphic functions on \mathbb{H} and let $P(z), Q(z)$ be defined in (1.1). Assume that $d \geq 2m + 10$ and either $m \geq 2$ or $(d, m + 1) = 1$ and $m \geq 1$. If $(P(f))$ and $Q(f)$ share 0 CM, then $g = hf$ and for a constant h such that $h^d = \frac{c_2}{c_1}, h^m = \frac{b_2}{b_1}, h^{m+1} = \frac{a_2}{a_1}$.*

2. PRELIMINARIES

In order to prove our results, we need the following Lemmas.

Lemma 2.1. ([10]) *Let f be a non-constant meromorphic function on \mathbb{H} and let a_1, a_2, \dots, a_q , be distinct points of $\mathbb{H} \cup \{\infty\}$. Then*

$$(q-2)T(r, f) \leq \sum_{i=1}^q N_1(r, \frac{1}{f-a_i}) - \log r + O(1).$$

Lemma 2.2. ([10]) *Let f be a non-constant meromorphic function on \mathbb{H} and let a_1, a_2, \dots, a_q , be distinct points of $\mathbb{H} \cup \{\infty\}$. Suppose either $f - a_i$ has no zeros, or $f - a_i$ has zeros, in which case all the zeros of the functions $f - a_i$ have multiplicity at least $m_i, i = 1, \dots, q$. Then*

$$\sum_{i=1}^q (1 - \frac{1}{m_i}) < 2.$$

Lemma 2.3. ([8]) *Let f and g be non-constant meromorphic functions on \mathbb{H} . If $E_f(1) = E_g(1)$, then one of the following three cases holds:*

- 1 $T(r, f) \leq N_2(r, f) + N_2(r, \frac{1}{f}) + N_2(r, g) + N_2(r, \frac{1}{g}) - \log r + O(1)$, and the same inequality holds for $T(r, g)$;
- 2 $fg = 1$;
- 3 $f = g$.

Lemma 2.4. ([1]) *Let f be a non-constant meromorphic function on \mathbb{H} and n, k be positive integers, $n > k$ and a be a pole of f . Then*

- 1 $(f^n)^{(k)} = \frac{\varphi_k}{(z-a)^{n_p+k}}$, where $p = d_f^\infty, \varphi_k(a) \neq 0$.
- 2 $\frac{(f^n)^{(k)}}{f^{n-k}} = \frac{h_k}{(z-a)^{p_k+k}}$, where $p = d_f^\infty, h_k(a) \neq 0$.

Lemma 2.5. ([1]) *Let f be a non-constant meromorphic function on \mathbb{H} and n, k be positive integers, $n > 2k$, and let $P(z)$ be a polynomial of degree $d > 0$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \quad & (n-2k)dT(r, f) + kN(r, P(f)) + N(r, \frac{1}{\frac{(P(f))^n}{(P(f))^{n-k}}}) \leq T(r, ((P(f))^n)^{(k)}) + O(1) \\ & \leq (k+1)ndT(r, f) + O(1). \\ 2 \quad & N(r, \frac{1}{\frac{(P(f))^n}{(P(f))^{n-k}}}) \leq kdT(r, f) + N_1(r, P(f)) + O(1) \\ & = kdT(r, f) + kN_1(r, f) + O(1) \leq k(d+1)T(r, f) + O(1). \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 2.6. *Let $d \geq 2m + 5$ and either $m \geq 2$ or $(d, m + 1) = 1$ and $m \geq 1, k \neq 0$, and let $P(z), Q(z)$ be defined by (1.1). Assume that the equation $P(f) = kQ(g)$ has a non-constant meromorphic solution (f, g) . Then $g = hf$ for a constant h such that $h^d = \frac{1}{k} = \frac{c_2}{c_1}, h^m = \frac{b_2}{b_1}, h^{m+1} = \frac{a_2}{a_1}$.*

Proof. Consider $P(f) = Q(g)$ we get $f^d + a_1f^{d-m} + b_1f^{d-m+1} + c_1 = k(g^d + a_2g^{d-m} + b_2g^{d-m+1} + c_2)$
 $dT(r, f) + O(1) = dT(r, g),$

$$T(r, f) + O(1) = T(r, g). \quad (2.1)$$

Equation (2.1) can be rewritten as $f_1 + f_2 = kc_2 - c_1$, where

$$f_1 = f^{d-m}(a_1 + b_1f + f^m)$$

$$f_2 = -kg^{d-m}(a_2 + b_2g + g^m).$$

If $kc_2 - c_1 \neq 0$, then by Lemma 2.1, we have

$$T(r, f_1) \leq N_1(r, f_1) + N_1(r, \frac{1}{f_1}) + N_1(r, \frac{1}{f_1 - (kc_2 - c_1)}) - \log r + O(1),$$

$$dT(r, f) \leq N_1(r, f) + N_1(r, \frac{1}{f}) + N_1(r, \frac{1}{fm + b_1f + a_1}) + N_1(r, \frac{1}{g})$$

$$+ N_1(r, \frac{1}{g^m + b_1g + a_1}) - \log r + O(1)$$

$$dT(r, f) \leq (2m + 5)T(r, f) - \log r + O(1)$$

$$(d - 2m - 5)T(r, f) \leq -\log r + O(1),$$

which contradicts to $d \geq 2m + 5$. Hence $kc_2 - c_1 = 0$. Thus, (2.1) becomes

$$f^d + a_1f^{d-m} + b_1f^{d-m+1} = kg^d + ka_1g^{d-m} + kb_1g^{d-m+1}. \quad (2.2)$$

For simplicity, set $h = g/f$, and $\alpha = 1/k \neq 0, \beta_1 = \frac{b_1}{kb_2} \neq 0, \beta_2 = \frac{a_1}{ka_2} \neq 0$. Then we obtain

$$f^{m+1}(kh^d - 1) = -(ka_2h^{d-m} - a_1) - (kb_2h^{d-m+1} - b_1)$$

$$f^{m+1} = \frac{-a_2(h^{d-m} - \beta_1) - b_2(h^{d-m+1} - \beta_2)}{h^d - \alpha}. \quad (2.3)$$

Assume that h is not a constant. Consider the following possible cases:

CASE 1. $m \geq 1, (m + 1, d) = 1$. If $h^d - \alpha, h^{d-m} - \beta_1$ and $h^{d-m+1} - \beta_2$ have no common zeros, then all zeros of $h^d - \alpha$ have multiplicity $\geq m + 1$. Then

$$N_1(r, \frac{1}{h^d - \alpha}) \leq \frac{1}{m + 1}N(r, \frac{1}{h^d - \alpha}).$$

By Lemma 2.1 we obtain

$$T(r, h^d) \leq N_1(r, h^d) + N_1(r, \frac{1}{h^d}) + N_1(r, \frac{1}{h^d - \alpha}) - \log r + O(1),$$

$$dT(r, h) \leq 2T(r, h) + \frac{1}{m + 1}N(r, \frac{1}{h^d - \alpha}) - \log r + O(1),$$

$$\leq (2 + \frac{d}{m + 1})T(r, h) - \log r + O(1)$$

$$(d - 2 - \frac{d}{m + 1})T(r, h) \leq -\log r + O(1).$$

which leads to $dm < 2(m + 1)$, a contradiction to the condition $d \geq 2m + 5$.

If $h^d - \alpha$ and $h^{d-m} - \beta_1, h^{d-m-1} - \beta_2$ have common zeros, then there exists z_0 such that $h^d(z_0) = \alpha, h^{d-m}(z_0) = \beta_1$ and $h^{d-m-1} - \beta_2$.

From (2.3) we get

$$\alpha f^{m+1} \left(\left(\frac{h}{h(z_0)} \right)^d - 1 \right) = -\beta_1 a_2 \left(\left(\frac{h}{h(z_0)} \right)^{d-m} - 1 \right) - \beta_2 b_2 \left(\left(\frac{h}{h(z_0)} \right)^{d-m+1} - 1 \right).$$

Since $(m + 1, d) = 0$, the equations $z^d - 1 = 0, z^{d-m} - 1 = 0$ and $z^{d-m+1} = 0$ have different roots, except for $z = 1$. Let $r_i, i = 1, \dots, 3d - 2m - 3$, be all the roots of them. Then all zeros of $\frac{h}{h(z_0)} - r_i$ have multiplicities $\geq m + 1$. Therefore, by Lemma 2.2, we obtain

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{m + 1} \right) (3d - 2m - 3) < 2, \quad 3dm < 2m^2 + 6m + 3,$$

which contradicts $d \geq 2m + 5, m \geq 1$. Thus, h is a constant.

CASE 2. $m \geq 2$. Note that equation $z^d - \alpha = 0$ has d simple zeros, equation $z^{d-m} - \beta_1 = 0$ has $d - m$ simple zeros, and equation $z^{d-m+1} - \beta_2 = 0$ has $d - m + 1$ common simple zeros. Therefore, the equation $z^d - \alpha$ has atleast m distinct roots, which are not roots of $z^{d-m} - \beta_1$ and $z^{d-m+1} - \beta_2 = 0$. Let r_1, r_2, \dots, r_m be all these roots. Then all zeros of $h - r_j, j = 1, \dots, m$, have multiplicities $\geq m + 1$. By Lemma 2.2, we have $(m + 1) \left(1 - \frac{1}{m+1} \right) < 2$. Therefore, $m < 2$. From $m \geq 2$, we obtain a contradiction. Thus h is a constant. \square

3. PROOF OF THEOREM I

We have

$$\begin{aligned} P(f) &= (f - e_1) \dots (f - e_d), e_j \neq 0 \in \mathbb{H} \\ (P(f))^n &= (f - e_1)^n \dots (f - e_d)^n, \\ Q(g) &= (g - k_1) \dots (g - k_d), k_i \neq 0 \in \mathbb{H} \\ (Q(g))^n &= (g - k_1)^n \dots (g - k_d)^n \end{aligned}$$

Set

$$X_1 = (P^n(f))^{(k)}, \quad X_2 = (Q^n(g))^{(k)}, \quad Y_1 = P(f),$$

$$Y_2 = Q(g), \quad F = \frac{X_1}{Y_1^{n-k}}, \quad G = \frac{X_2}{Y_2^{n-k}}$$

Then

$$Y_1 = (f - e_1) \dots (f - e_d), \quad Y_2 = (g - k_1) \dots (g - k_d)$$

$$X_1 = (Y_1^n)^{(k)} = F Y_1^{n-k}, \quad X_2 = (Y_2^n)^{(k)} = G Y_2^{n-k}.$$

Applying Lemma 2.3 to $(Y_1^n)^{(k)}, (Y_2^n)^{(k)}$ we have one of the following possibilities:

CASE 1.

$$T(r, X_1) \leq N_2(r, X_1) + N_2\left(r, \frac{1}{X_1}\right) + N_2\left(r, \frac{1}{X_2}\right) + N_2(r, X_2) - \log r + O(1),$$

$$T(r, X_2) \leq N_2(r, X_1) + N_2\left(r, \frac{1}{X_1}\right) + N_2\left(r, \frac{1}{X_2}\right) + N_2(r, X_2) - \log r + O(1).$$

We see that, if a is a pole of X_1 , then $Y_1(a) = \infty$ with $\nu_{X_1}^\infty(a) \geq n+k \geq 2$. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} N_1(r, Y_1) &= N_1(r, (f - e_1)\dots(f - e_d)) = N_1(r, f) \leq T(r, f) + O(1), \\ N_1(r, \frac{1}{Y_1}) &= \sum_{i=1}^d N_1(r, \frac{1}{f - e_i}) \leq dT(r, f) + O(1) \\ N_2(r, X_1) &= 2N_1(r, Y_1) \leq 2T(r, f) + O(1) \\ N_2(r, \frac{1}{X_1}) &\leq N_2(r, \frac{1}{Y_1^{n-k}}) + N_1(r, \frac{1}{F}) = 2N_1(r, \frac{1}{Y_1}) + N_1(r, \frac{1}{F}) \\ &\leq 2dT(r, f) + N(r, \frac{1}{F}) \leq 2dT(r, f) + kN_1(r, Y_1) \\ &\quad + kdT(r, f) + O(1) = d(k+2)T(r, f) + kN_1(r, Y_1) + O(1). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly

$$\begin{aligned} N_2(r, X_2) &\leq 2T(r, g) + O(1) \\ N_2(r, \frac{1}{X_2}) &\leq 2dT(r, g) + N(r, \frac{1}{G}) \\ &= d(k+2)T(r, g) + kN_1(r, Y_2) + O(1). \end{aligned}$$

Combining the above two inequalities, we get

$$\begin{aligned} T(r, X_1) &\leq (2 + 2d + kd)T(r, f) + (2 + 2d)T(r, g) + kN_1(r, Y_1) + N(r, \frac{1}{G}) - \log r + O(1), \\ T(r, X_2) &\leq (2 + 2d + kd)T(r, g) + (2 + 2d)T(r, f) + kN_1(r, Y_2) + N(r, \frac{1}{F}) - \log r + O(1), \\ T(r, X_1) + T(r, X_2) &\leq (4 + 4d + kd)(T(r, f) + T(r, g)) + kN_1(r, Y_1) + N(r, \frac{1}{G}) \\ &\quad + kN_1(r, Y_2) + N(r, \frac{1}{F}) - 2\log r + O(1). \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 2.5, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (n - 2k)dT(r, f) + kN(r, Y_1) + N(r, \frac{1}{F}) &\leq T(r, X_1) + O(1), \\ (n - 2k)dT(r, g) + kN(r, Y_2) + N(r, \frac{1}{G}) &\leq T(r, X_2) + O(1). \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} (n - 2k)d[T(r, f) + T(r, g)] + kN(r, Y_1) + N(r, \frac{1}{F}) + kN(r, Y_2) + N(r, \frac{1}{G}) \\ \leq T(r, X_1) + T(r, X_2) + O(1), \\ (n - 2k)d[T(r, f) + T(r, g)] + kN(r, Y_1) + N(r, \frac{1}{F}) + kN(r, Y_2) + N(r, \frac{1}{G}) \\ \leq (4 + 4d + kd)[T(r, f) + T(r, g)] + kN_1(r, Y_1) \\ + N(r, \frac{1}{G}) + kN_1(r, Y_2) + N(r, \frac{1}{F}) - 2\log r + O(1). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} (n - 2k)d[T(r, f) + T(r, g)] &\leq (4 + 4d + kd)(T(r, f) + T(r, g)) - 2\log r + O(1), \\ ((n - 2k)d - 4 - 4d - kd)(T(r, f) + T(r, g)) &\leq -2\log r + O(1). \end{aligned}$$

Since $n \geq 3k + 5 > 2k + \frac{4+4d+kd}{d}$, we obtain a contradiction.

CASE 2. $(P(f)^n)^{(k)}(Q(g)^n)^{(k)} = 1$. Then we have $Y_1 = P(f) = (f - e_1)\dots(f - e_d)$.

$Y_1 = Y_1^{n-k}F, Y_2 = G(g)$. Therefore

$$(f - e_1)^{n-k} \dots (f - e_d)^{n-k} X_1(Y_2^n)^{(k)} = (Y_1^n)^{(k)}(Y_2^n)^{(k)} = 1.$$

Because $n \geq 3k + 5$ we see that, if z_0 is a zero of $f - e_i$ with $1 \leq i \leq d$, then z_0 is a zero of Y_1 , and therefore, z_0 is a zero of $(Y_1^n)^{(k)}$ and then z_0 is a pole of $(Y_2^n)^{(k)}$ and $v_{(Y_2^n)^{(k)}}^\infty(z_0) = (n - k)v_f^{e_i}(z_0)$. Thus, z_0 is a pole of g and by Lemma 2.4 we get

$$v_{(Y_2^n)^{(k)}}^\infty(z_0) = ndv_g^\infty(z_0) + k \geq nd + k.$$

So, $v_f^{e_i}(z_0) = \frac{ndv_g^\infty(z_0)+k}{n-k} \geq \frac{nd+k}{n-k}, i = 1, 2, \dots, d$. Applying Lemma 2.2, we obtain

$$\sum_{i=1}^d \left(1 - \frac{n-k}{nd+k}\right) < 2.$$

From this we have $n(d^2 - 3d) < 2k(1 - d)$, and so we obtain a contradiction to $d \geq 12$.

CASE 3. $(P(f)^n)^{(k)} = (Q(g)^n)^{(k)}$. Then $(P(f)^n)^n - s = (Q(g)^n)^n$, where s is a polynomial of degree $< k$. We prove $s \equiv 0$. If it is not the case, then

$$\frac{(P(f)^n)^n}{s} - 1 = \frac{(g - k_1)^n \dots (g - k_d)^n}{s},$$

$$\frac{(g - k_1)^n \dots (g - k_d)^n}{s} + 1 = \frac{(f - k_1)^n \dots (f - k_2)^n}{s}$$

Set $I = \frac{Y_1^n}{s}, J = \frac{Y_2^n}{s}$. Since f, g are not constants, and so are $Y_1, Y_2, Y_1^n, Y_2^n, I, J$. Applying Lemma 2.1 to I with values $\infty, 0, 1$, we get

$$T(r, I) \leq N_1(r, I) + N_1\left(r, \frac{1}{I}\right) + N_1\left(r, \frac{1}{I-1}\right) - \log r + O(1).$$

On the other hand,

$$T(r, Y_1^n) = nT(r, Y_1) + O(1) \leq T(r, I) + T(r, s) \leq T(r, I) + (k - 1)\log r + O(1)$$

$$nT(r, Y_1) - (k - 1)\log r \leq T(r, I) + O(1), \quad ndT(r, f) - (k - 1)\log r \leq T(r, I) + O(1)$$

$$N_1(r, I) \leq N_1(r, Y_1^n) + N_1\left(r, \frac{1}{s}\right) \leq N_1(r, f) + (k - 1)\log r \leq T(r, f) + (k - 1)\log r,$$

$$N_1\left(r, \frac{1}{I}\right) \leq N_1\left(r, \frac{1}{Y_1^n}\right) = N_1\left(r, \frac{1}{Y_1}\right) \leq T(r, Y_1) + O(1) = dT(r, f) + O(1),$$

$$N_1\left(r, \frac{1}{I-1}\right) = N_1\left(r, \frac{1}{J}\right) \leq N_1\left(r, \frac{1}{Y_2^n}\right) = N_1\left(r, \frac{1}{Y_2}\right) \leq T(r, Y_2) + O(1) = dT(r, g) + O(1),$$

$$ndT(r, f) - (k - 1)\log r \leq T(r, f) + (k - 1)\log r + d(T(r, f) + T(r, g)) + O(1).$$

From this, and noting that $\log r \leq T(r, f)$, we get

$$(nd - 2(k - 1))T(r, f) \leq T(r, f) + d(T(r, f) + T(r, g)) + O(1).$$

Applying Lemma 2.1 to J with values $\infty, 0, -1$, and noting that $\log r \leq T(r, g)$, we obtain

$$T(r, J) \leq N_1(r, J) + N_1\left(r, \frac{1}{J}\right) + N_1\left(r, \frac{1}{J+1}\right) - \log r + O(1).$$

we get

$$(nd - 2(k - 1))T(r, g) \leq T(r, g) + d(T(r, f) + T(r, g)) - \log r + O(1).$$

So

$$(nd - 2(k - 1))(T(r, f) + T(r, g)) \leq T(r, f) + T(r, g) + 2d(T(r, f) + T(r, g)) - 2\log r + O(1).$$

$$(nd - 2d - 2k + 1)(T(r, f) + T(r, g)) + 2\log r \leq O(1).$$

We obtain a contradiction to $n \geq 3k + 5 > \frac{2d+2k-1}{d}$. So $s = 0$. Then $(P(f))^n = (Q(g))^n$. Therefore $P(f) = kQ(g)$, $k^n = 1$. From this and by Lemma 2.6, we obtain the conclusion of Theorem I.

Proof of Theorem II. Set

$$\begin{aligned} Y_1 &= P(f) = f^d + a_1 f^{d-m} + b_1 f^{d-m+1} + c_1. \\ Y_2 &= Q(g) = g^d + a_2 g^{d-m} + b_2 g^{d-m+1} + c_2. \\ U &= -\frac{f^{d-m}(f^m + b_1 f + a_1)}{c_1}, V = -\frac{g^{d-m}(g^m + b_2 g + a_1)}{c_2} \end{aligned}$$

Since $P(f)$ and $Q(g)$ share 0 CM. we get $E_U(1) = E_V(1)$. Applying Lemma 2.3 to U, V , we have one of the following possibilities.

CASE 1.

$$\begin{aligned} T(r, U) &\leq N_2(r, U) + N_2(r, \frac{1}{U}) + N_2(r, V) + N_2(r, \frac{1}{V}) - \log r + O(1). \\ T(r, V) &\leq N_2(r, V) + N_2(r, \frac{1}{V}) + N_2(r, U) + N_2(r, \frac{1}{U}) - \log r + O(1). \end{aligned}$$

More over

$$\begin{aligned} T(r, U) &= dT(r, f) + O(1), \\ N_1(r, U) &= N_1(r, f) \leq T(r, f) + O(1), \\ N_2(r, U) &= 2N_1(r, f) \leq 2T(r, f) + O(1) \\ N_2(r, \frac{1}{U}) &\leq 2N_1(r, \frac{1}{f}) + N_2(r, \frac{1}{f^m + b_1 f + a_1}) \leq 2T(r, f) + (m+1)T(r, f) + O(1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Similarly } N_2(r, V) \leq 2T(r, g) + O(1), N_2(r, \frac{1}{V}) \leq 2T(r, g) + (m+1)T(r, g) + O(1).$$

Therefore

$$T(r, V) = dT(r, f) + O(1) \leq 4(T(r, f) + T(r, g)) + (m+1)(T(r, f) + T(r, g)) - \log r + O(1).$$

Similarly

$$T(r, V) = dT(r, g) + O(1) \leq 4(T(r, f) + T(r, g)) + (m+1)(T(r, f) + T(r, g)) - \log r + O(1)$$

Combining the above inequalities we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(T(r, f) + T(r, g)) &\leq 8(T(r, f) + T(r, g)) + (2m+2)(T(r, f) + T(r, g)) - 2\log r + O(1) \\ (d - 2m - 10)(T(r, f) + T(r, g)) &\leq O(1). \end{aligned}$$

We obtain a contradiction to $d \geq 2m + 10$.

CASE 2. $UV = 1$. i.e., $f^{d-m}(f^m + b_1 f + a_1)g^{d-m}(g^m + b_2 g + a_2) = \frac{c_1}{c_2}$.

Note that equation $z^m + b_1 z + a_1 = 0$ has $(m+1)$ simple zeros. Let r_1, r_2, \dots, r_m be all these roots. Therefore

$$f^{d-m}(f^m + b_1 f + a_1)g^{d-m}(g^m + b_2 g + a_2) = \frac{c_1}{c_2}. \quad (3.1)$$

From (3.1) it follows that all zeros of $f - r_j, j = 1, 2, \dots, m$, has multiplicities $\geq d$, and all zeros of f have multiplicities $\geq \frac{d}{d-m+1}$. By Lemma 2.2 we have $1 - \frac{d-m+1}{d} + (m+1)(1 - \frac{1}{d}) < 2$. Then $m < 2$. Since $m \geq 1$, we obtain a contradiction.

CASE 3. $U = V$, i.e., $\frac{f^{d-m}(f^m + b_1 f + a_1)}{c_1} = \frac{g^{d-m}(g^m + b_2 g + a_1)}{c_2}$

then

$$f^d + a_1 f^{d-m} + b_1 f^{d-m+1} + C_1 = \frac{C_1}{C_2} g^d + a_1 g^{d-m} + b_1 g^{d-m+1} + C_2. \quad (3.2)$$

Applying Lemma 2.6 to (3.2), we obtain the conclusion of Theorem II.

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