



UNIQUENESS AND VALUE SHARING OF MEROMORPHIC FUNCTIONS WITH REGARD TO MULTIPLICITY

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Abstract. In this paper, we study the uniqueness theorems of meromorphic functions, concerning differential polynomials and obtain theorems, from which we obtain as a very special case the results of Lin and Yi [4], Xiao Yu Zhang, Jun-Fan Chen, Wei-Chuan Lin [8], and Renukadevi S. Dyavanal [9]. We also obtain several new interesting results.

1. Introduction And Main Results

In this paper the term meromorphic will always mean meromorphic in the complex plane. Let f and g be non-constant meromorphic functions and a be a complex number. We say f and g share the value a CM, if $f - a$ and $g - a$ have the same zeros with the same multiplicities. It is assumed that reader is familiar with notations of Nevanlinna theory of meromorphic functions, for instance, $T(r, f)$, $m(r, f)$, $N(r, f)$, $\overline{N}(r, f)$, etc (see [1, 3]). We denote by $S(r, f)$ any function satisfying $S(r, f) = o\{T(r, f)\}$, as $r \rightarrow +\infty$, possibly outside a set of finite measure.

In 2004, Lin and Yi [4] proved the following theorems.

Theorem A. *Let f and g be two non-constant meromorphic functions, $n \geq 12$ be a positive integer. If $f^n(f-1)f'$ and $g^n(g-1)g'$ share the value 1 CM, then $g = (n+2)(1-h^{n+1})/(n+1)(1-h^{n+2})$, $f = (n+2)h(1-h^{n+1})/(n+1)(1-h^{n+2})$, where h is a non-constant meromorphic function.*

Theorem B. *Let f and g be non-constant meromorphic functions, $n \geq 13$ be a positive integer. If $f^n(f-1)^2 f'$ and $g^n(g-1)^2 g'$ share the value 1 CM, then $f(z) \equiv g(z)$.*

In 2008, Xiao-Yu Zhang, Jun-Fan Chen, Wei-Chuan Lin [8] extended Theorems A and B and proved the following theorem.

Theorem C. *Let f and g be two nonconstant meromorphic functions, let n and m be two positive integers with $n > \max\{m+10, 3m+3\}$ and let $P(z) = a_m z^m + a_{m-1} z^{m-1} + \dots + a_0$, where $a_0 \neq$*

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$0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{m-1}, a_m \neq 0$ are complex constants. If $f^n P(f) f'$ and $g^n P(g) g'$ share 1 CM, then either $f \equiv tg$, for a constant t such that $t^d = 1$, where $d = \{n + m + 1, \dots, n + m + 1 - i, \dots, n + 1\}$, $a_{m-i} \neq 0$ for some $i = 0, 1, \dots, m$ or f and g satisfy algebraic equation $R(f, g) = 0$, where

$$R(\omega_1, \omega_2) = \omega_1^{n+1} \left(\frac{a_m \omega_1^m}{n+m+1} + \frac{a_{m-1} \omega_1^{m-1}}{n+m} + \dots + \frac{a_0}{n+1} \right) - \omega_2^{n+1} \left(\frac{a_m \omega_2^m}{n+m+1} + \frac{a_{m-1} \omega_2^{m-1}}{n+m} + \dots + \frac{a_0}{n+1} \right).$$

In 2004, Wei-Chuan Lin and Hong Xun Yi [7], extended Theorems A and B by replacing the value 1 with the function z and obtained the following results.

Theorem D. Let f and g be two transcendental meromorphic functions, $n \geq 12$ an integer. If $f^n(f-1)f'$ and $g^n(g-1)g'$ share z CM, then either $f(z) \equiv g(z)$ or $g = (n+2)(1-h^{n+1})/(n+1)(1-h^{n+2})$, $f = (n+2)h(1-h^{n+1})/(n+1)(1-h^{n+2})$, where h is a non-constant meromorphic function.

Theorem E. Let f and g be transcendental meromorphic functions, $n \geq 13$ is an integer. If $f^n(f-1)^2 f'$ and $g^n(g-1)^2 g'$ share z CM, then $f(z) \equiv g(z)$.

In 2009, Hong Yan Xu and Ting Bin Cao [6], obtained the following result.

Theorem F. Let f and g be two transcendental meromorphic functions and let n and m be two positive integers with $n > m + 10$, and let $P(z) = a_m z^m + a_{m-1} z^{m-1} + \dots + a_0$, where $a_0 \neq 0$, $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{m-1}, a_m \neq 0$ are complex constants. If $f^n P(f) f'$ and $g^n P(g) g'$ share z CM, then conclusion of Theorem C still holds.

In 2011, Renukadevi S. Dyavanal [9] proved the following results.

Theorem G. Let f and g be two non-constant meromorphic functions, whose zeros and poles are of multiplicities atleast s , where s is a positive integer. Let n be an integer satisfying $(n-2)s \geq 10$. If $f^n(f-1)f'$ and $g^n(g-1)g'$ share the value 1 CM, then $g = (n+2)(1-h^{n+1})/(n+1)(1-h^{n+2})$, $f = (n+2)h(1-h^{n+1})/(n+1)(1-h^{n+2})$, where h is a non-constant meromorphic function.

Theorem H. Let f and g be two non-constant meromorphic functions, whose zeros and poles are of multiplicities atleast s , where s is a positive integer. Let n be an integer satisfying $(n-3)s \geq 10$. If $f^n(f-1)^2 f'$ and $g^n(g-1)^2 g'$ share the value 1 CM, then $f \equiv g$.

In this paper, using notion of multiplicity, we prove the following two theorems. As a consequence of these theorems, we improve the above mentioned theorems and in addition, we also obtain some new interesting results.

Theorem 1.1. *Let f and g be two non-constant meromorphic functions, whose zeros and poles are of multiplicities atleast s , where s is a positive integer. Let n, m be positive integers with $(n - m - 1)s \geq \max\{10, 2m + 3\}$ and let $P(z) = a_m z^m + a_{m-1} z^{m-1} + \dots + a_0$, where $a_0 \neq 0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{m-1}, a_m \neq 0$ are complex constants. If $f^n P(f) f'$ and $g^n P(g) g'$ share 1 CM, then one of the following two cases holds:*

- (1) $f = tg$ for a constant t such that $t^d = 1$, where $d = \{n + m + 1, \dots, n + m + 1 - i, \dots, n + 1\}$, $a_{m-i} \neq 0$ for some $i = 0, 1, \dots, m$;
- (2) f and g satisfy algebraic equation $R(f, g) \equiv 0$, where

$$R(\omega_1, \omega_2) = \omega_1^{n+1} \left(\frac{a_m \omega_1^m}{n+m+1} + \frac{a_{m-1} \omega_1^{m-1}}{n+m} + \dots + \frac{a_0}{n+1} \right) - \omega_2^{n+1} \left(\frac{a_m \omega_2^m}{n+m+1} + \frac{a_{m-1} \omega_2^{m-1}}{n+m} + \dots + \frac{a_0}{n+1} \right).$$

Remark 1.1. We set $P(z) = (z - 1)^m$. Then with $a_m = 1, a_0 = -1$ and under the condition (2) of Theorem 1.1, Theorem 1.1 reduces to

- (i) Theorem G, if $m = 1$,
- (ii) Theorem A, if $m = 1$ and $s = 1$,
- (iii) Theorem H, if $m = 2$,
- (iv) Theorem B, if $m = 2$ and $s = 1$,
- (v) Theorem C, if $s = 1$.

Theorem 1.2. *Let f and g be two transcendental meromorphic functions, whose zeros and poles are of multiplicities atleast s , where s is a positive integer. Let n, m be positive integers with $(n - m - 1)s \geq \max\{10, 2m + 3\}$. Let $P(z) = a_m z^m + a_{m-1} z^{m-1} + \dots + a_0$, where $a_0 \neq 0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{m-1}, a_m \neq 0$ are complex constants. Let $f^n P(f) f'$ and $g^n P(g) g'$ share z CM, then conclusion of Theorem 1.1 still holds.*

Remark 1.2. We set $P(z) = (z - 1)^m$. Then with $a_m = 1, a_0 = -1$ and under the condition (2) of Theorem 1.2, Theorem 1.2 reduces to

- (i) Theorem D, if $m = 1, s = 1$,
- (ii) Theorem E, if $m = 2, s = 1$,
- (iii) Theorem F, if $s = 1$.

Some interesting new results in this vein are indicated in Section 4.

2. Some Lemmas

Lemma 1 ([2]). *Let f be non-constant meromorphic function and let $a_n (\neq 0), a_{n-1}, \dots, a_0$ be small functions with respect to f . Then*

$$T(r, a_n f^n + a_{n-1} f^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 f + a_0) = nT(r, f) + S(r, f)$$

Lemma 2 ([5]). *Let f and g be two non-constant meromorphic functions. If f and g share 1 CM, one of the following three cases holds:*

- (i) $T(r, f) \leq N_2(r, f) + N_2(r, g) + N_2\left(r, \frac{1}{f}\right) + N_2\left(r, \frac{1}{g}\right) + S(r, f) + S(r, g)$ the same inequality holding for $T(r, g)$;
- (ii) $f \equiv g$;
- (iii) $fg \equiv 1$.

Lemma 3 ([10]). *Let $Q(\omega) = (n-1)^2(\omega^n - 1)(\omega^{n-2} - 1) - n(n-2)(\omega^{n-1} - 1)^2$, then*

$$Q(\omega) = (\omega - 1)^4(\omega - \beta_1)(\omega - \beta_2) \cdots (\omega - \beta_{2n-6}),$$

where $\beta_j \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0, 1\}$, ($j = 1, 2, \dots, 2n-6$), which are distinct respectively.

Lemma 4 ([2]). *Suppose $f(z)$ is a nonconstant meromorphic function in the complex plane and k is a positive integer. Then*

$$N(r, \frac{1}{f^{(k)}}) \leq N(r, \frac{1}{f}) + k\bar{N}(r, f) + S(r, f).$$

3. Proof of Theorems 1.1 and 1.2

3.1. Proof of Theorem 1.1.

Let

$$F = f^n P(f) f', \quad G = g^n P(g) g' \tag{1}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} F^* &= \frac{a_m f^{m+n+1}}{m+n+1} + \frac{a_{m-1} f^{m+n}}{m+n} + \dots + \frac{a_0 f^{n+1}}{n+1} \\ G^* &= \frac{a_m g^{m+n+1}}{m+n+1} + \frac{a_{m-1} g^{m+n}}{m+n} + \dots + \frac{a_0 g^{n+1}}{n+1} \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

By hypothesis F and G share 1 CM. By Lemma 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} T(r, F^*) &= (n+m+1)T(r, f) + S(r, f) \\ T(r, G^*) &= (n+m+1)T(r, g) + S(r, f) \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

Since $(F^*)' = F$, we deduce,

$$m\left(r, \frac{1}{F^*}\right) \leq m\left(r, \frac{1}{F}\right) + S(r, f),$$

and by the first fundamental Theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} T(r, F^*) &\leq T(r, F) + N\left(r, \frac{1}{F^*}\right) - N\left(r, \frac{1}{F}\right) + S(r, f) \\ &\leq T(r, F) + N\left(r, \frac{1}{f}\right) + N\left(r, \frac{1}{f-b_1}\right) + \cdots + N\left(r, \frac{1}{f-b_m}\right) \\ &\quad - N\left(r, \frac{1}{f-c_1}\right) - \cdots - N\left(r, \frac{1}{f-c_m}\right) - N\left(r, \frac{1}{f'}\right) + S(r, f) \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

where b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m are roots of algebraic equation $\frac{a_m z^m}{m+n+1} + \frac{a_{m-1} z^{m-1}}{m+n} + \cdots + \frac{a_0}{n+1} = 0$ and c_1, c_2, \dots, c_m are roots of the algebraic equation $a_m z^m + a_{m-1} z^{m-1} + \cdots + a_0 = 0$.

By Lemma 2, one of the following three cases holds:

Case 1:

$$T(r, F) \leq N_2(r, F) + N_2\left(r, \frac{1}{F}\right) + N_2(r, G) + N_2\left(r, \frac{1}{G}\right) + S(r, f) + S(r, g), \quad (5)$$

the same inequality holding for $T(r, G)$.

On the other hand, we have

$$N_2(r, F) + N_2\left(r, \frac{1}{F}\right) \leq 2\bar{N}(r, f) + 2\bar{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{f}\right) + N\left(r, \frac{1}{f-c_1}\right) + \cdots + N\left(r, \frac{1}{f-c_m}\right) + N\left(r, \frac{1}{f'}\right) \quad (6)$$

$$N_2(r, G) + N_2\left(r, \frac{1}{G}\right) \leq 2\bar{N}(r, g) + 2\bar{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{g}\right) + N\left(r, \frac{1}{g-c_1}\right) + \cdots + N\left(r, \frac{1}{g-c_m}\right) + N\left(r, \frac{1}{g'}\right) \quad (7)$$

From (3)–(7), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} T(r, F^*) &\leq 2\bar{N}(r, f) + 2\bar{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{f}\right) + 2\bar{N}(r, g) + 2\bar{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{g}\right) \\ &\quad + N\left(r, \frac{1}{g-c_1}\right) + \cdots + N\left(r, \frac{1}{g-c_m}\right) \\ &\quad + N\left(r, \frac{1}{g'}\right) + N\left(r, \frac{1}{f}\right) + N\left(r, \frac{1}{f-b_1}\right) + \cdots + N\left(r, \frac{1}{f-b_m}\right) + S(r, f) + S(r, g). \end{aligned}$$

By lemma 4, $N\left(r, \frac{1}{g'}\right) \leq N\left(r, \frac{1}{g}\right) + \bar{N}(r, g) + S(r, g)$ and by our assumption, zeros and poles of f and g are of multiplicities atleast s , we have

$$\bar{N}(r, g) \leq \frac{1}{s}N(r, g) \leq \frac{1}{s}T(r, g) \quad (8)$$

and

$$\bar{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{g}\right) \leq \frac{1}{s}N\left(r, \frac{1}{g}\right) \leq \frac{1}{s}T(r, g), \quad (9)$$

we deduce above inequality as,

$$\begin{aligned} T(r, F^*) &\leq \left(\frac{4}{s} + m + 1\right) T(r, f) + \left(\frac{5}{s} + m + 1\right) T(r, g) + S(r, f) + S(r, g) \\ (n + m + 1)T(r, f) &\leq \left(\frac{4}{s} + m + 1\right) T(r, f) + \left(\frac{5}{s} + m + 1\right) T(r, g) + S(r, f) + S(r, g) \\ \left(n - \frac{4}{s}\right)T(r, f) &\leq \left(\frac{5}{s} + m + 1\right) T(r, g) + S(r, f) + S(r, g) \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

Similarly

$$\left(n - \frac{4}{s}\right)T(r, g) \leq \left(\frac{5}{s} + m + 1\right) T(r, f) + S(r, f) + S(r, g). \quad (11)$$

From (10) and (11), we deduce that $(n - m - 1)s \leq 9$, which contradicts $(n - m - 1)s \geq 10$.

Case 2: Suppose that $FG \equiv 1$, that is

$$f^n P(f) f' g^n P(g) g' \equiv 1. \quad (12)$$

Now we rewrite $P(z) = a_m z^m + a_{m-1} z^{m-1} + \cdots + a_1 z + a_0$ as

$$P(z) = a_m (z - d_1)^{l_1} (z - d_2)^{l_2} \cdots (z - d_i)^{l_i} \cdots (z - d_k)^{l_k},$$

where $l_1 + l_2 + \cdots + l_k = m$, $1 \leq k \leq m$; $d_i \neq d_j$, $i \neq j$, $i, j \leq k$; d_1, d_2, \dots, d_k are non-zero constants and l_1, l_2, \dots, l_k are positive integers.

Let z_0 be a zero of f of order p . Then from (12) we know that z_0 is a pole of g . Suppose z_0 is a pole of g of order q . Again by (12), we obtain

$$np + p - 1 = nq + mq + q + 1,$$

that is

$$(n + 1)(p - q) = mq + 2.$$

which implies $p \geq q + 1$ and $mq + 2 \geq n + 1$. Hence

$$p \geq \frac{n + m - 1}{m} \quad (13)$$

Let z_1 be a zero of $P(f)$ of order p_1 and a zero of $f - d_i$ of order q_i for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$. Then $p_1 = l_i q_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$. Suppose that z_1 is a pole of g of order t_1 . Again by (12), we obtain $q_i l_i + q_i - 1 = n t_1 + m t_1 + t_1 + 1$. That is,

$$\begin{aligned} q_i &= \frac{n t_1 + m t_1 + t_1 + 2}{(l_i + 1)} \\ q_i &\geq \frac{ns + ms + s + 2}{l_i + 1}, \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, k \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

Let z_2 be a zero of f' of order p_2 , that is not a zero of $fP(f)$. Similarly, we get $p_2 = nt_2 + mt_2 + t_2 + 1$. That is,

$$p_2 \geq ns + ms + s + 1 \quad (15)$$

In the same manner as above, we have similar results for the zeros of $g^n P(g)g'$.

From (12), we can write,

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{N}(r, f^n P(f)f') &= \overline{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{g^n P(g)g'}\right) \\ \overline{N}(r, f) &= \overline{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{g}\right) + \overline{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{P(g)}\right) + \overline{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{g'}\right) \\ \overline{N}(r, f) &\leq \overline{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{g}\right) + \overline{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{g-d_1}\right) + \cdots + \overline{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{g-d_k}\right) + \overline{N}_0\left(r, \frac{1}{g'}\right) \end{aligned}$$

From (13)–(15), we obtain

$$\overline{N}(r, f) \leq \left(\frac{m}{n+m-1} + \frac{m+k}{ns+ms+s+2}\right) T(r, g) + N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{g'}\right) + S(r, g) \quad (16)$$

where $N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{g'}\right)$ denotes the counting function corresponding to the zeros of g' that are not the zeros of $gP(g)$ and $N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{f'}\right)$ denotes the analogous quantity, $\left(\overline{N}_0\left(r, \frac{1}{g'}\right)\right)$ denotes the reduced counting function.

Similarly, as above we can obtain,

$$\overline{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{f}\right) + \overline{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{f-d_1}\right) + \cdots + \overline{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{f-d_k}\right) \leq \left(\frac{m}{n+m-1} + \frac{m+k}{ns+ms+s+2}\right) T(r, f).$$

By the second fundamental theorem and from (16), we have

$$\begin{aligned} kT(r, f) &\leq \overline{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{f}\right) + \overline{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{f-d_1}\right) + \cdots + \overline{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{f-d_k}\right) + \overline{N}(r, f) - N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{f'}\right) + S(r, f) \\ &\leq \left(\frac{m}{n+m-1} + \frac{m+k}{ns+ms+s+2}\right) T(r, f) + \left(\frac{m}{n+m-1} + \frac{m+k}{ns+ms+s+2}\right) T(r, g) \\ &\quad + N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{g'}\right) - N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{f'}\right) + S(r, f). \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

Similarly, we have

$$\begin{aligned} kT(r, g) &\leq \left(\frac{m}{n+m-1} + \frac{m+k}{ns+ms+s+2}\right) T(r, g) + \left(\frac{m}{n+m-1} + \frac{m+k}{ns+ms+s+2}\right) T(r, f) \\ &\quad + N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{f'}\right) - N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{g'}\right) + S(r, g). \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

From (17) and (18), we have

$$k(T(r, f) + T(r, g)) \leq \left(\frac{2m}{n+m-1} + \frac{2m+2k}{ns+ms+s+2}\right) (T(r, f) + T(r, g)) + S(r, f) + S(r, g)$$

which contradicts $(n - m - 1)s \geq 2m + 3$.

Case 3: If $F \equiv G$, that is

$$F^* = G^* + c \quad (19)$$

where c is a constant, then it follows that

$$T(r, f) = T(r, g) + S(r, f). \quad (20)$$

Suppose that $c \neq 0$, by (2), (3), (8), (9), (20), the second fundamental theorem, and lemma 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} T(r, G^*) &\leq \overline{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{G^*}\right) + \overline{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{G^* + c}\right) + \overline{N}(r, G^*) + S(r, g) \\ (n + m + 1)T(r, g) &\leq \overline{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{G^*}\right) + \overline{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{F^*}\right) + \overline{N}(r, G^*) + S(r, g) \\ &\leq \overline{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{g}\right) + \overline{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{g^m + \dots + \frac{m+n+1}{n+1} \frac{a_0}{a_m}}\right) + \overline{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{f}\right) \\ &\quad + \overline{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{f^m + \dots + \frac{m+n+1}{n+1} \frac{a_0}{a_m}}\right) + \overline{N}(r, g) + S(r, g) \\ &\leq \left(\frac{3}{s} + 2m\right) T(r, f) + S(r, f) + S(r, g) \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

which contradicts our assumption $(n - m - 1)s \geq 10$. Therefore $F^* = G^*$ that is,

$$f^{n+1} \left(\frac{a_m f^m}{m+n+1} + \frac{a_{m-1} f^{m-1}}{m+n} + \dots + \frac{a_0}{n+1} \right) = g^{n+1} \left(\frac{a_m g^m}{m+n+1} + \frac{a_{m-1} g^{m-1}}{m+n} + \dots + \frac{a_0}{n+1} \right). \quad (22)$$

Let $h = \frac{f}{g}$. If h is a constant, then substituting $f = gh$ into (22) we deduce,

$$\frac{a_m g^{m+n+1} (h^{m+n+1} - 1)}{m+n+1} + \frac{a_{m-1} g^{n+m} (h^{m+n} - 1)}{m+n} + \dots + \frac{a_0 g^{n+1} (h^{n+1} - 1)}{n+1} = 0 \quad (23)$$

which implies $h^d = 1$, where $d = (n + m + 1, n + m, \dots, n + m + 1 - i, \dots, n + 1), a_{m-i} \neq 0$, for some $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, m$.

Thus $f = tg$ for a constant t , such that $t^d = 1$, where $d = (n + m + 1, n + m, \dots, n + m + 1 - i, \dots, n + 1), a_{m-i} \neq 0$, for some $i = 0, 1, \dots, m$.

If h is not a constant, then by (23) f and g satisfy the algebraic equation $R(f, g) \equiv 0$, where

$$\begin{aligned} R(\omega_1, \omega_2) &= \omega_1^{n+1} \left(\frac{a_m \omega_1^m}{n+m+1} + \frac{a_{m-1} \omega_1^{m-1}}{n+m} + \dots + \frac{a_0}{n+1} \right) \\ &\quad - \omega_2^{n+1} \left(\frac{a_m \omega_2^m}{n+m+1} + \frac{a_{m-1} \omega_2^{m-1}}{n+m} + \dots + \frac{a_0}{n+1} \right) \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 1.1.

3.2. Proof of Theorem 1.2.

Let

$$F = \frac{f^n P(f) f'}{z}, \quad G = \frac{g^n P(g) g'}{z} \quad (24)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} F^* &= \frac{a_m f^{m+n+1}}{m+n+1} + \frac{a_{m-1} f^{m+n}}{m+n} + \cdots + \frac{a_0 f^{n+1}}{n+1} \\ G^* &= \frac{a_m g^{m+n+1}}{m+n+1} + \frac{a_{m-1} g^{m+n}}{m+n} + \cdots + \frac{a_0 g^{n+1}}{n+1} \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

Thus we obtain that F and G share 1 CM.

Since $(F^*)' = Fz$, we deduce

$$m \left(r, \frac{1}{(F^*)'} \right) \leq m \left(r, \frac{1}{zF} \right) + S(r, f) \leq m \left(r, \frac{1}{F} \right) + \log r + S(r, f) \quad (26)$$

and by the first fundamental Theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} T(r, F^*) &\leq T(r, F) + N \left(r, \frac{1}{F^*} \right) - N \left(r, \frac{1}{F} \right) + S(r, f) \\ &\leq T(r, F) + N \left(r, \frac{1}{f} \right) + N \left(r, \frac{1}{f-b_1} \right) + \cdots + N \left(r, \frac{1}{f-b_m} \right) \\ &\quad - N \left(r, \frac{1}{f-c_1} \right) - \cdots - N \left(r, \frac{1}{f-c_m} \right) - N \left(r, \frac{1}{f'} \right) + \log r + S(r, f) \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

where b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m are roots of the algebraic equation,

$$\frac{a_m z^m}{m+n+1} + \frac{a_{m-1} z^{m-1}}{m+n} + \cdots + \frac{a_0}{n+1} = 0$$

and c_1, c_2, \dots, c_m are roots of the algebraic equation,

$$a_m z^m + a_{m-1} z^{m-1} + \cdots + a_0 = 0.$$

By Lemma 2, one of the following three cases holds.

Case 1:

$$T(r, F) \leq N_2(r, F) + N_2 \left(r, \frac{1}{F} \right) + N_2(r, G) + N_2 \left(r, \frac{1}{G} \right) + S(r, f) + S(r, g). \quad (28)$$

On the other hand, we have

$$N_2(r, F) + N_2 \left(r, \frac{1}{F} \right) \leq 2\overline{N}(r, f) + 2\overline{N} \left(r, \frac{1}{f} \right) + N \left(r, \frac{1}{f-c_1} \right) + \cdots + N \left(r, \frac{1}{f-c_m} \right) + N \left(r, \frac{1}{f'} \right) + 2\log r \quad (29)$$

$$N_2(r, G) + N_2\left(r, \frac{1}{G}\right) \leq 2\bar{N}(r, g) + 2\bar{N}\left(r, \frac{1}{g}\right) + N\left(r, \frac{1}{g-c_1}\right) + \cdots + N\left(r, \frac{1}{g-c_m}\right) + N\left(r, \frac{1}{g'}\right) + 2\log r \quad (30)$$

From (27) - (30), we obtain

$$T(r, F^*) \leq \left(\frac{4}{s} + m + 1\right) T(r, f) + \left(\frac{5}{s} + m + 1\right) T(r, g) + 4\log r + S(r, f) + S(r, g) \quad (31)$$

Similarly,

$$\left(n - \frac{4}{s}\right) T(r, g) \leq \left(\frac{5}{s} + m + 1\right) T(r, f) + 4\log r + S(r, f) + S(r, g) \quad (32)$$

From (31) and (32), we deduce that $(n - m - 1)s \leq 9$, which contradicts the assumption $(n - m - 1)s \geq 10$

Case 2: Suppose $FG \equiv 1$, that is

$$f^n P(f) f' g^n P(g) g' \equiv z^2.$$

Proceeding as in the proof of Theorem 1.1(case 2), we get a contradiction.

Case 3: $F \equiv G$ that is $F^* = G^* + c$.

Proceeding as in the proof of Theorem 1.1(case 3), we get a conclusion of Theorem 1.2.

Therefore, we complete the proof of Theorem 1.2.

4. Consequences of Theorem 1.1 and Theorem 1.2

Under the condition of Theorem 1.1 and Theorem 1.2, setting $P(z) = (z - 1)^m$, we get following results as immediate consequences of Theorem 1.1 and Theorem 1.2.

Consequences of Theorem 1.1

(A) Let f and g be two nonconstant meromorphic functions, whose zeros and poles are of multiplicities atleast s . Let n, m, s be positive integers with $(n - m - 1)s \geq \max\{10, 2m + 3\}$. If $f^n P(f) f'$ and $g^n P(g) g'$ share 1 CM, and

(1) if $s = 1$,

(i) $m = 1, n \geq 12$ then $g = \frac{(n+2)(1-h^{n+1})}{(n+1)(1-h^{n+2})}, f = \frac{(n+2)h(1-h^{n+1})}{(n+1)(1-h^{n+2})}$

(ii) $m = 2, n \geq 13$ then $f \equiv g$

(iii) $m \geq 3$ then $f^{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^m \frac{(-1)^k C_m^{m-k}}{n+m-k+1} f^{m-k} = g^{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^m \frac{(-1)^k C_m^{m-k}}{n+m-k+1} g^{m-k}$

(2) if $s = 2$,

(i) $m = 1, n \geq 7$ then $g = \frac{(n+2)(1-h^{n+1})}{(n+1)(1-h^{n+2})}, f = \frac{(n+2)h(1-h^{n+1})}{(n+1)(1-h^{n+2})}$

(ii) $m = 2, n \geq 8$ then $f \equiv g$

(iii) $m \geq 3$ then $f^{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^m \frac{(-1)^k C_m^{m-k}}{n+m-k+1} f^{m-k} = g^{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^m \frac{(-1)^k C_m^{m-k}}{n+m-k+1} g^{m-k}$

Similar observations can be made for $s = 3, 4, \dots, 9$

(3) if $s \geq 10$,

(i) $m = 1, n \geq 2$ then $g = \frac{(n+2)(1-h^{n+1})}{(n+1)(1-h^{n+2})}, f = \frac{(n+2)h(1-h^{n+1})}{(n+1)(1-h^{n+2})}$

(ii) $m = 2, n \geq 3$ then $f \equiv g$

(iii) $m \geq 3$ then $f^{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^m \frac{(-1)^k C_m^{m-k}}{n+m-k+1} f^{m-k} = g^{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^m \frac{(-1)^k C_m^{m-k}}{n+m-k+1} g^{m-k}$.

Thus as per the above observations, we see that as multiplicity ' s ' increases, the value of n decreases.

Consequences of Theorem 1.2

(B) Let f and g be two transcendental meromorphic functions, whose zeros and poles are of multiplicities atleast s . Let n, m, s be positive integers with $(n-m-1)s \geq \max\{10, 2m+3\}$. If $f^n P(f) f'$ and $g^n P(g) g'$ share z CM, we observe results similar to consequences mentioned above.

Under the condition of Theorem 1.1 and Theorem 1.2, setting $P(z) = z^m - a, a \neq 0$ we get following results as immediate consequences of Theorem 1.1 and Theorem 1.2.

Consequences of Theorem 1.1

(C) Let f and g be two nonconstant meromorphic functions, whose zeros and poles are of multiplicities atleast s . Let n, m, s be positive integers with $(n-m-1)s \geq \max\{10, 2m+3\}$. If $f^n P(f) f'$ and $g^n P(g) g'$ share 1 CM, and

(1) if $s = 1$,

(i) $m = 1, n \geq 12$ then $g = \frac{a(n+2)(1-h^{n+1})}{(n+1)(1-h^{n+2})}, f = \frac{ah(n+2)(1-h^{n+1})}{(n+1)(1-h^{n+2})}$

$$(ii) \ m \geq 2 \text{ then } g = \left[\frac{a(n+m+1)(1-h^{n+1})}{(n+1)(1-h^{n+m+1})} \right]^{\frac{1}{m}}, f = \left[\frac{a(n+m+1)(1-h^{n+1})}{(n+1)(1-h^{n+m+1})} \right]^{\frac{1}{m}} h.$$

(2) if $s \geq 10$,

$$(i) \ m = 1, n \geq 2 \text{ then } g = \frac{a(n+2)(1-h^{n+1})}{(n+1)(1-h^{n+2})}, f = \frac{ah(n+2)(1-h^{n+1})}{(n+1)(1-h^{n+2})}$$

$$(ii) \ m \geq 2 \text{ then } g = \left[\frac{a(n+m+1)(1-h^{n+1})}{(n+1)(1-h^{n+m+1})} \right]^{\frac{1}{m}}, f = \left[\frac{a(n+m+1)(1-h^{n+1})}{(n+1)(1-h^{n+m+1})} \right]^{\frac{1}{m}} h$$

5. Final Remarks

It follows from the proof of Theorem 1.2 that if condition $f^n P(f) f'$ and $g^n P(g) g'$ share z CM is replaced by the condition $f^n P(f) f'$ and $g^n P(g) g'$ share $\alpha(z)$ CM, where α is a meromorphic function such that $\alpha \neq 0, \infty$ and $T(r, \alpha) = o\{T(r, f), T(r, g)\}$, the conclusion of the Theorem 1.2 still holds.

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