



# Second main theorem for meromorphic mappings with moving hypersurfaces in subgeneral position



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ABSTRACT

Let  $Q_1, \dots, Q_q$  be  $q$  slowly moving hypersurfaces in  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$  of degree  $d_i$  which are located in  $N$ -subgeneral position. Let  $f$  be a meromorphic mapping from  $\mathbf{C}^m$  into  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$  which is algebraically nondegenerate over the field generated by  $Q_i$ 's. In this paper, we will prove that, for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a positive integer  $M$  such that

$$\| (q - (N - n + 1)(n + 1) - \epsilon)T_f(r) \leq \sum_{i=1}^q \frac{1}{d_i} N^{[M]}(r, f^*Q_i) + o(T_f(r)).$$

Moreover, an explicit estimate for  $M$  is given. Our result is an extension of the previous second main theorems for meromorphic mappings and moving hypersurfaces.

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## 1. Introduction

Let  $f$  be a meromorphic mapping from  $\mathbf{C}^m$  into  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$  with a reduced representation  $\tilde{f} = (f_0, \dots, f_n)$ . For each meromorphic mapping  $a$  from  $\mathbf{C}^m$  into  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})^*$ , which is usually called a moving hyperplane, with a reduced representation  $\tilde{a} = (a_0, \dots, a_n)$  such that  $(\tilde{f}, \tilde{a}) = \sum_{i=0}^n a_i f_i \not\equiv 0$ , we denote by  $f^*a$  the zero divisor of  $(\tilde{f}, \tilde{a})$ . We see that  $f^*a$  is defined independently from the choices of  $\tilde{f}$  and  $\tilde{a}$ , and is called the intersecting divisor of  $f$  with  $a$ . We denote by  $N^{[M]}(r, f^*a)$  or  $N_{(f,a)}^{[M]}(r)$  the counting function of  $f^*a$  (see Section 2 for the definitions). As usual, we denote by  $T_f(r)$  the characteristic function of  $f$  with respect to the hyperplane line bundle of  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$ . The moving hyperplane  $a$  is said to be slow with respect to  $f$  if  $T_a(r) = o(T_f(r))$  as  $r \rightarrow +\infty$  excluding a finite Borel measures subset of  $[0; +\infty)$ .

Let  $\{a_i\}_{i=1}^q$  be moving hyperplanes of  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$  with reduce representations  $\tilde{a}_i = (a_{i0}, \dots, a_{in})$ . Let  $N \geq n$  and  $q \geq N + 1$ . We say that the family  $\{a_i\}_{i=1}^q$  is in  $N$ -subgeneral position if for every subset  $R \subset \{1, 2, \dots, q\}$

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with the cardinality  $|R| = N + 1$ ,

$$\text{rank}_{\mathcal{M}}\{\tilde{a}_i \mid i \in R\} = n + 1,$$

where  $\mathcal{M}$  denotes the field consisting of all meromorphic functions on  $\mathbf{C}^m$ . If they are in  $n$ -subgeneral position, we simply say that they are in *general position*. We also denote by  $\mathcal{K}_{\{a_i\}_{i=1}^q}$  the smallest subfield of  $\mathcal{M}$ , which contains  $\mathbf{C}$  and all  $\frac{a_{ij}}{a_{ik}}$  for  $a_{ik} \neq 0$ .

In 1991, W. Stoll and M. Ru [12,13] proved the following second main theorem.

**Theorem A** (Cf. [12,13]). *Let  $f : \mathbf{C}^m \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$  be a nonconstant meromorphic mapping. Let  $\{a_i\}_{i=1}^q$  be meromorphic mappings of  $\mathbf{C}^m$  into  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})^*$  in general position such that  $a_i$  are slow with respect to  $f$  and  $f$  is linearly nondegenerate over  $\mathcal{K}_{\{a_i\}_{i=1}^q}$ . Then for every  $\epsilon > 0$ ,*

$$\| (q - n - 1 - \epsilon)T_f(r) \leq \sum_{i=1}^q N(r, f^*a_i) + o(T_f(r)).$$

Here, by the notation “ $\|P$ ” we mean that the assertion  $P$  holds for all  $r \in [0, \infty)$  excluding a Borel subset  $E$  of the interval  $[0, \infty)$  with  $\int_E dr < \infty$ .

After that the above result of W. Stoll and M. Ru was reproved by M. Shirozaki [14] with a simpler proof. This second main theorem plays an important role in Nevanlinna theory, with many applications to Algebraic or Analytic geometry. We note that in the above result, the mapping  $f$  is assumed to be linearly nondegenerate over the field  $\mathcal{K}_{\{a_i\}_{i=1}^q}$ . To treat the case where  $f$  may be degenerate, we need consider the case where the hyperplanes may be not in general position, but in subgeneral position. Thanks the notion of Nochka weights introduced by Nochka [5], D.D. Thai and S.D. Quang [15] gave the following second main theorem for the case where the family of hyperplanes is in subgeneral position.

**Theorem B** (Cf. [15]). *Let  $f : \mathbf{C}^m \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$  be a nonconstant meromorphic mapping. Let  $\{a_i\}_{i=1}^q$  be meromorphic mappings of  $\mathbf{C}^m$  into  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})^*$  in  $N$ -subgeneral position such that  $a_i$  are slow with respect to  $f$  and  $f$  is linearly nondegenerate over  $\mathcal{K}_{\{a_i\}_{i=1}^q}$ . Then for an arbitrary  $\epsilon > 0$ ,*

$$\| (q - 2N + n - 1 - \epsilon)T_f(r) \leq \sum_{i=1}^q N^{[M]}(r, f^*a_i) + o(T_f(r)),$$

where  $M$  is a positive integer (explicitly estimated).

A natural question here is “how to generalize these results to the case where hyperplanes are replaced by hypersurfaces”. By proposing a new technique (using a result of Corvaja and Zannier [2] on the dimension of spaces of homogeneous polynomials), in 2004, M. Ru [11] proved a second main theorem for algebraically nondegenerate meromorphic mappings into  $\mathbb{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$  intersecting hypersurfaces in general position in  $\mathbb{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$ . He proved the following.

**Theorem C** (Cf. [11]). *Let  $f : \mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$  be an algebraically nondegenerate meromorphic mapping and let  $Q_1, \dots, Q_q$  be  $q$  hypersurfaces in  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$  of degree  $d_i$ , in general position. Then, for every  $\epsilon > 0$ ,*

$$\| (q - n - 1 - \epsilon)T_f(r) \leq \sum_{i=1}^q \frac{1}{d_i} N(r, f^*Q_i) + o(T_f(r)).$$

With the same assumptions, T.T.H. An and H.T. Phuong [1] improved the result of M. Ru by giving an explicit truncation level for counting functions. Recently, in [9] we have generalized the results of M. Ru and T.T.H. An–H.T. Phuong to the following.

**Theorem D** (Cf. [9]). *Let  $f : \mathbf{C}^m \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$  be an algebraically nondegenerate meromorphic mapping and let  $Q_1, \dots, Q_q$  be hypersurfaces in  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$  of degree  $d_i$ , in  $N$ -subgeneral position. Then, for every  $\epsilon > 0$ ,*

$$\| (q - (N - n + 1)(n + 1) - \epsilon)T_f(r) \leq \sum_{i=1}^q \frac{1}{d_i} N_{Q_i(f)}^{[M_0-1]}(r) + o(T_f(r)),$$

where  $M_0$  is positive integer (explicitly estimated).

For the case of slowly moving hypersurfaces (see Section 2 for the definition), recently G. Dethloff and T.V. Tan [3] generalized the second main theorem of M. Ru to the following.

**Theorem E** (Dethloff–Tan [3]). *Let  $f$  be a nonconstant meromorphic map of  $\mathbf{C}^m$  into  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$ . Let  $\{Q_i\}_{i=1}^q$  be a set of slowly (with respect to  $f$ ) moving hypersurfaces in weakly general position with  $\deg Q_j = d_j$  ( $1 \leq i \leq q$ ). Assume that  $f$  is algebraically nondegenerate over  $\mathcal{K}_{\{Q_i\}_{i=1}^q}$ . Then for any  $\epsilon > 0$  there exist positive integers  $L_j$  ( $j = 1, \dots, q$ ), depending only on  $n, \epsilon$  and  $d_j$  ( $j = 1, \dots, q$ ) in an explicit way such that*

$$\| (q - n - 1 - \epsilon)T_f(r) \leq \sum_{i=1}^q \frac{1}{d_i} N_{Q_i(f)}^{[L_j]}(r) + o(T_f(r)).$$

Here,  $\mathcal{K}_{\{Q_i\}}$  denotes the field generated by  $\{Q_i\}_{i=1}^q$  (see Section 2 for the definition).

Our purpose in this paper is to generalize all these above mentioned results to the case of moving hypersurfaces in subgeneral position. We will prove a second main theorem for meromorphic mappings into  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$  intersecting a family of moving hypersurfaces in subgeneral position with truncated counting functions. Namely, we will prove the following.

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $f$  be a nonconstant meromorphic map of  $\mathbf{C}^m$  into  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$ . Let  $\{Q_i\}_{i=1}^q$  be a family of slowly (with respect to  $f$ ) moving hypersurfaces in weakly  $N$ -subgeneral position with  $\deg Q_i = d_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq q$ ). Assume that  $f$  is algebraically nondegenerate over  $\mathcal{K}_{\{Q_i\}_{i=1}^q}$ . Then for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , we have*

$$\| (q - (N - n + 1)(n + 1) - \epsilon)T_f(r) \leq \sum_{i=1}^q \frac{1}{d_i} N_{Q_i(f)}^{[L_j]}(r) + o(T_f(r)),$$

where  $L_j = \frac{1}{d_j}L_0$  and  $L_0$  is a positive number which is defined by:

$$L_0 := \binom{L+n}{n} p_0^{\binom{L+n}{n} \left( \binom{L+n}{n} - 1 \right) \binom{q}{n} - 2} - 1$$

with  $L := (n + 1)d + 2(N - n + 1)(n + 1)^3 I(\epsilon^{-1})d,$

$d := \text{lcm}(d_1, \dots, d_q)$  (the least common multiple of all  $d_i$ 's),

and  $p_0 := \left[ \frac{\binom{L+n}{n} \left( \binom{L+n}{n} - 1 \right) \binom{q}{n} - 1}{\log \left( 1 + \frac{\epsilon}{3(n+1)(N-n+1)} \right)} \right]^2.$

Here, by  $I(x)$  we denote the smallest integer which is not less than  $x$ . We see that, if the family of moving hypersurfaces is in general position, i.e.,  $N = n$ , then our result will imply the second main theorem of G. Dethloff and T.V. Tan. Our idea to avoid using the Nochka weights here is that from every  $N + 1$  arbitrary moving hypersurfaces in weakly  $N$ -subgeneral position we will construct  $n + 1$  new moving hypersurfaces in weakly general position (see Lemma 3.1).

Let  $Q$  be a moving hypersurface of  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$ . We define the truncated defect of  $f$  with respect to  $Q$  by

$$\delta_f^{[L]}(D) = 1 - \liminf_{r \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{N^{[M]}(r, f^*Q)}{dT_f(r)}.$$

From the above theorem, we have the following defect relation for meromorphic mappings with a family of slowly moving hypersurfaces as follows.

**Corollary 1.2.** *Let  $f$  be a nonconstant meromorphic map of  $\mathbf{C}^m$  into  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$ . Let  $\{Q_i\}_{i=1}^q$  be a family of slowly (with respect to  $f$ ) moving hypersurfaces in weakly  $N$ -subgeneral position with  $\deg Q_j = d_j$  ( $1 \leq i \leq q$ ). Assume that  $f$  is algebraically nondegenerate over  $\mathcal{K}_{\{Q_i\}_{i=1}^q}$ . Then we have*

$$\sum_{i=1}^q \delta_f^{[L_0]}(D) \leq (N - n + 1)(n + 1).$$

## 2. Basic notions and auxiliary results from Nevanlinna theory

### 2.1. The first main theorem in Nevanlinna theory

We set  $\|z\| = (|z_1|^2 + \dots + |z_m|^2)^{1/2}$  for  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_m) \in \mathbf{C}^m$  and define

$$B(r) := \{z \in \mathbf{C}^m : \|z\| < r\}, \quad S(r) := \{z \in \mathbf{C}^m : \|z\| = r\} \quad (0 < r < \infty).$$

Define

$$v_{m-1}(z) := (dd^c \|z\|^2)^{m-1} \quad \text{and} \\ \sigma_m(z) := d^c \log \|z\|^2 \wedge (dd^c \log \|z\|^2)^{m-1} \quad \text{on } \mathbf{C}^m \setminus \{0\}.$$

Let  $F$  be a nonzero meromorphic function on a domain  $\Omega$  in  $\mathbf{C}^m$ . For a set  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m)$  of nonnegative integers, we set  $|\alpha| = \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_m$  and

$$\mathcal{D}^\alpha F = \frac{\partial^{|\alpha|} F}{\partial^{\alpha_1} z_1 \dots \partial^{\alpha_m} z_m}.$$

We denote by  $\nu_F^0, \nu_F^\infty$  and  $\nu_F$  the zero divisor, the pole divisor, and the divisor of the meromorphic function  $F$  respectively.

For a divisor  $\nu$  on  $\mathbf{C}^m$  and for a positive integer  $M$  or  $M = \infty$ , we set

$$\nu^{[M]}(z) = \min \{M, \nu(z)\}, \\ n(t) = \begin{cases} \int_{|\nu| \cap B(t)} \nu(z) v_{m-1} & \text{if } m \geq 2, \\ \sum_{|z| \leq t} \nu(z) & \text{if } m = 1. \end{cases}$$

The counting function of  $\nu$  is defined by

$$N(r, \nu) = \int_1^r \frac{n(t)}{t^{2m-1}} dt \quad (1 < r < \infty).$$

Similarly, we define  $N(r, \nu^{[M]})$  and denote it by  $N^{[M]}(r, \nu)$ .

Let  $\varphi : \mathbf{C}^m \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  be a meromorphic function. Define

$$N_\varphi(r) = N(r, \nu_\varphi^0), \quad N_\varphi^{[M]}(r) = N^{[M]}(r, \nu_\varphi^0).$$

For brevity we will omit the character  $^{[M]}$  if  $M = \infty$ .

Let  $f : \mathbf{C}^m \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$  be a meromorphic mapping. For arbitrarily fixed homogeneous coordinates  $(w_0 : \dots : w_n)$  on  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$ , we take a reduced representation  $\tilde{f} = (f_0, \dots, f_n)$ , which means that each  $f_i$  is a holomorphic function on  $\mathbf{C}^m$  and  $f(z) = (f_0(z) : \dots : f_n(z))$  outside the analytic set  $I(f) = \{f_0 = \dots = f_n = 0\}$  of codimension  $\geq 2$ . Set  $\|\tilde{f}\| = (|f_0|^2 + \dots + |f_n|^2)^{1/2}$ . The characteristic function of  $f$  is defined by

$$T_f(r) = \int_{S(r)} \log \|\tilde{f}\| \sigma_m - \int_{S(1)} \log \|\tilde{f}\| \sigma_m.$$

Let  $\varphi$  be a nonzero meromorphic function on  $\mathbf{C}^m$ , which are occasionally regarded as a meromorphic map into  $\mathbf{P}^1(\mathbf{C})$ . The proximity function of  $\varphi$  is defined by

$$m(r, \varphi) := \int_{S(r)} \log \max(|\varphi|, 1) \sigma_m.$$

The Nevanlinna’s characteristic function of  $\varphi$  is defined as follows

$$T(r, \varphi) := N_{\frac{1}{\varphi}}(r) + m(r, \varphi).$$

Then

$$T_\varphi(r) = T(r, \varphi) + O(1).$$

The function  $\varphi$  is said to be small (with respect to  $f$ ) if  $\|T_\varphi(r) = o(T_f(r))$ .

We denote by  $\mathcal{M}$  (resp.  $\mathcal{K}_f$ ) the field of all meromorphic functions (resp. small meromorphic functions with respect to  $f$ ) on  $\mathbf{C}^m$ .

### 2.2. Family of moving hypersurfaces

We recall some following from [7,8].

Denote by  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{C}^m}$  the ring of all holomorphic functions on  $\mathbf{C}^m$ . Let  $Q$  be a homogeneous polynomial in  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{C}^m}[x_0, \dots, x_n]$  of degree  $d \geq 1$ . Denote by  $Q(z)$  the homogeneous polynomial over  $\mathbf{C}$  obtained by substituting a specific point  $z \in \mathbf{C}^m$  into the coefficients of  $Q$ . We also call a moving hypersurface in  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$  each homogeneous polynomial  $Q \in \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{C}^m}[x_0, \dots, x_n]$  such that the common zero set of all coefficients of  $Q$  has codimension at least two.

Let  $Q$  be a moving hypersurface in  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$  of degree  $d \geq 1$  given by

$$Q(z) = \sum_{I \in \mathcal{T}_d} a_I \omega^I,$$

where  $\mathcal{T}_d = \{(i_0, \dots, i_n) \in \mathbf{N}_0^{n+1} ; i_0 + \dots + i_n = d\}$ ,  $a_I \in \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{C}^m}$  and  $\omega^I = \omega_0^{i_0} \dots \omega_n^{i_n}$ . We consider the meromorphic mapping  $Q' : \mathbf{C}^m \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^N(\mathbf{C})$ , where  $N = \binom{n+d}{n}$ , given by

$$Q'(z) = (a_{I_0}(z) : \dots : a_{I_N}(z)) \quad (\mathcal{T}_d = \{I_0, \dots, I_N\}).$$

Here  $I_0 < \dots < I_N$  in the lexicographic ordering. By changing the homogeneous coordinates of  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$  if necessary, we may assume that for each given moving hypersurface as above,  $a_{I_0} \not\equiv 0$  (note that  $I_0 = (0, \dots, 0, d)$  and  $a_{I_0}$  is the coefficient of  $\omega_n^d$ ). We set

$$\tilde{Q} = \sum_{j=0}^N \frac{a_{I_j}}{a_{I_0}} \omega^{I_j}.$$

The moving hypersurfaces  $Q$  is said to be “slow” (with respect to  $f$ ) if  $\|T_{Q'}(r) = o(T_f(r))$ . This is equivalent to  $\|T_{\frac{a_{I_j}}{a_{I_0}}}(r) = o(T_f(r)) \ (\forall 1 \leq j \leq N)$ , i.e.,  $\frac{a_{I_j}}{a_{I_0}} \in \mathcal{K}_f$ .

Let  $\{Q_i\}_{i=1}^q$  be a family of moving hypersurfaces in  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$ ,  $\deg Q_i = d_i$ . Assume that

$$Q_i = \sum_{I \in \mathcal{T}_{d_i}} a_{iI} \omega^I.$$

We denote by  $\mathcal{K}_{\{Q_i\}_{i=1}^q}$  the smallest subfield of  $\mathcal{M}$  which contains  $\mathbf{C}$  and all  $\frac{a_{iI}}{a_{iJ}}$  with  $a_{iI} \neq 0$ . We say that  $\{Q_i\}_{i=1}^q$  are in weakly  $N$ -subgeneral position ( $N \geq n$ ) if there exists  $z \in \mathbf{C}^m$  such that all  $a_{iI}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq q$ ,  $I \in \mathcal{I}$ ) are holomorphic at  $z$  and for any  $1 \leq i_0 < \dots < i_N \leq q$  the system of equations

$$\begin{cases} Q_{i_j}(z)(w_0, \dots, w_n) = 0 \\ 0 \leq j \leq N \end{cases}$$

has only the trivial solution  $w = (0, \dots, 0)$  in  $\mathbf{C}^{n+1}$ . If  $\{Q_i\}_{i=1}^q$  is in weakly  $n$ -subgeneral position then we say that it is in weakly general position.

### 2.3. Some theorems and lemmas

Let  $f$  be a nonconstant meromorphic map of  $\mathbf{C}^m$  into  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$ . Denote by  $\mathcal{C}_f$  the set of all non-negative functions  $h : \mathbf{C}^m \setminus A \rightarrow [0, +\infty] \subset \overline{\mathbf{R}}$ , which are of the form

$$h = \frac{|g_1| + \dots + |g_l|}{|g_{l+1}| + \dots + |g_{l+k}|},$$

where  $k, l \in \mathbf{N}$ ,  $g_1, \dots, g_{l+k} \in \mathcal{K}_f \setminus \{0\}$  and  $A \subset \mathbf{C}^m$ , which may depend on  $g_1, \dots, g_{l+k}$ , is an analytic subset of codimension at least two. Then, for  $h \in \mathcal{C}_f$  we have

$$\int_{S(r)} \log h \sigma_m = o(T_f(r)).$$

**Lemma 2.1** (See [3]). *Let  $\{Q_i\}_{i=0}^n$  be a set of homogeneous polynomials of degree  $d$  in  $\mathcal{K}_f[x_0, \dots, x_n]$ . Then there exists a function  $h_1 \in \mathcal{C}_f$  such that, outside an analytic set of  $\mathbf{C}^m$  of codimension at least two,*

$$\max_{i \in \{0, \dots, n\}} |Q_i(f_0, \dots, f_n)| \leq h_1 \|f\|^d.$$

If, moreover, this set of homogeneous polynomials is in weakly general position, then there exists a nonzero function  $h_2 \in \mathcal{C}_f$  such that, outside an analytic set of  $\mathbf{C}^m$  of codimension at least two,

$$h_2 \|f\|^d \leq \max_{i \in \{0, \dots, n\}} |Q_i(f_0, \dots, f_n)|.$$

**Lemma 2.2** (Lemma on logarithmic derivative, see [6]). Let  $f$  be a nonzero meromorphic function on  $\mathbf{C}^m$ . Then

$$\left\| m \left( r, \frac{\mathcal{D}^\alpha(f)}{f} \right) \right\| = O(\log^+ T(r, f)) \quad (\alpha \in \mathbf{Z}_+^m).$$

Repeating the argument in (Prop. 4.5 [4]), we have the following.

**Proposition 2.3** (See [4, Prop. 4.5]). Let  $\Phi_1, \dots, \Phi_k$  be meromorphic functions on  $\mathbf{C}^m$  such that  $\{\Phi_1, \dots, \Phi_k\}$  are linearly independent over  $\mathbf{C}$ . Then there exists an admissible set

$$\{\alpha_i = (\alpha_{i1}, \dots, \alpha_{im})\}_{i=1}^k \subset \mathbf{Z}_+^m$$

with  $|\alpha_i| = \sum_{j=1}^m |\alpha_{ij}| \leq i - 1 \ (1 \leq i \leq k)$  such that the following are satisfied:

- (i)  $\{\mathcal{D}^{\alpha_i} \Phi_1, \dots, \mathcal{D}^{\alpha_i} \Phi_k\}_{i=1}^k$  is linearly independent over  $\mathcal{M}$ , i.e.,  $\det(\mathcal{D}^{\alpha_i} \Phi_j) \neq 0$ ,
- (ii)  $\det(\mathcal{D}^{\alpha_i}(h\Phi_j)) = h^k \cdot \det(\mathcal{D}^{\alpha_i} \Phi_j)$  for any nonzero meromorphic function  $h$  on  $\mathbf{C}^m$ .

The next general form of second main theorem for hyperplanes is due to M. Ru [10].

**Theorem 2.4** (See [10, Theorem 2.3]). Let  $f$  be a linearly nondegenerate meromorphic mapping of  $\mathbf{C}^m$  in  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$  with a reduced representation  $\tilde{f} = (f_0, \dots, f_n)$  and let  $H_1, \dots, H_q$  be  $q$  arbitrary hyperplanes in  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$ . Then we have

$$\| \int_{S(r)} \max_K \log \left( \prod_{j \in K} \frac{\|\tilde{f}\| \cdot \|H_j\|}{|H_j(\tilde{f})|} \sigma_m \right) \leq (n + 1)T_f(r) - N_{W^\alpha(f_i)}(r) + o(T_f(r)),$$

where  $\alpha$  is an admissible set with respect to  $\tilde{f}$  (as in Proposition 2.3) and the maximum is taken over all subsets  $K \subset \{1, \dots, q\}$  such that  $\{H_j ; j \in K\}$  is linearly independent.

We note that the original theorem of M. Ru states only for the case of holomorphic curves from  $\mathbf{C}$ . However its proof also is valid for the case of meromorphic mappings from  $\mathbf{C}^m$  with a slight modification.

We have some following algebraic lemmas from [2,3]

**Lemma 2.5** (See [2, Lemma 2.2]). Let  $A$  be a commutative ring and let  $\{\phi_1, \dots, \phi_p\}$  be a regular sequence in  $A$ , i.e., for  $i = 1, \dots, p, \phi_i$  is not a zero divisor of  $A/(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_{i-1})$ . Denote by  $I$  the ideal in  $A$  generated by  $\phi_1, \dots, \phi_p$ . Suppose that for some  $q, q_1, \dots, q_h \in A$ , we have an equation

$$\phi_1^{i_1} \cdots \phi_p^{i_p} \cdot q = \sum_{r=1}^h \phi_1^{j_1(r)} \cdots \phi_p^{j_p(r)} \cdot q_r,$$

where  $(j_1(r), \dots, j_p(r)) > (i_1, \dots, i_p)$  for  $r = 1, \dots, h$ . Then  $q \in I$ .

Here, as throughout this paper, we use the lexicographic order on  $\mathbf{N}_0^p$ . Namely,

$$(j_1, \dots, j_p) > (i_1, \dots, i_p)$$

iff for some  $s \in \{1, \dots, p\}$  we have  $j_l = i_l$  for  $l < s$  and  $j_s > i_s$ .

**Lemma 2.6** (See [3, Lemma 3.2]). *Let  $\{Q_i\}_{i=1}^q$  ( $q \geq n + 1$ ) be a set of homogeneous polynomials of common degree  $d \geq 1$  in  $\mathcal{K}_f[x_0, \dots, x_n]$  in weakly general position. Then for any pairwise different  $1 \leq j_0, \dots, j_n \leq q$  the sequence  $\{Q_{j_0}, \dots, Q_{j_n}\}$  of elements in  $\mathcal{K}_{\{Q_i\}}[x_0, \dots, x_n]$  is a regular sequence, as well as all its subsequences.*

### 3. Second main theorems for moving hypersurfaces

We first prove the following lemma.

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let  $Q_1, \dots, Q_{N+1}$  be homogeneous polynomials in  $\mathcal{K}_f[x_0, \dots, x_n]$  of the same degree  $d \geq 1$ , in weakly  $N$ -subgeneral position. Then there exist  $n$  homogeneous polynomials  $P_2, \dots, P_{n+1}$  in  $\mathcal{K}_f[x_0, \dots, x_n]$  of the forms*

$$P_t = \sum_{j=2}^{N-n+t} c_{tj} Q_j, \quad c_{tj} \in \mathbf{C}, \quad t = 2, \dots, n + 1,$$

such that the family  $\{P_1, \dots, P_{n+1}\}$  is in weakly general position, where  $P_1 = Q_1$ .

**Proof.** We assume that  $Q_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq N + 1$ ) has the following form

$$Q_i = \sum_{I \in \mathcal{T}_d} a_{iI} \omega^I.$$

By the definition of the weakly subgeneral position, there exists a point  $z_0 \in \mathbf{C}^m$  such that  $a_{iI}$  is holomorphic at  $z_0$  for all  $i$  and  $I$ , and the following system of equations

$$Q_i(z_0)(\omega_0, \dots, \omega_n) = 0, \quad 1 \leq i \leq N + 1,$$

has only trivial solution  $(0, \dots, 0)$ . We may assume that  $Q_i(z_0) \not\equiv 0$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq N + 1$ .

For each homogeneous polynomials  $Q \in \mathbf{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]$ , we will denote by  $Q^*$  the fixed hypersurface in  $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$  defined by  $Q$ , i.e.,

$$Q^* = \{(\omega_0 : \dots : \omega_n) \in \mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C}) \mid Q(\omega_0, \dots, \omega_n) = 0\}.$$

Setting  $P_1 = Q_1$ , we will show that

$$\dim \left( \bigcap_{i=1}^t Q_i^*(z_0) \right) \leq N - t, \quad t = N - n + 2, \dots, N + 1, \tag{3.2}$$

where  $\dim \emptyset = -\infty$ . In fact, suppose that (3.2) does not hold. Then there exists an index  $t \in \{N - n + 2, \dots, N + 1\}$  such that  $\dim \left( \bigcap_{i=1}^t Q_i^*(z_0) \right) \geq N - t + 1$ . This implies that

$$\dim \left( \bigcap_{i=1}^{N+1} Q_i^*(z_0) \right) \geq N - t + 1 - (N + 1 - t) = 0.$$

This contradicts that  $\left( \bigcap_{i=1}^{N+1} Q_i^*(z_0) \right) = \emptyset$ . Hence the inequality (3.2) must be hold.

Step 1. We will construct  $P_2$  as follows. For each irreducible component  $\Gamma$  of dimension  $n - 1$  of  $Q_1^*(z_0)$ , we put

$$V_{1\Gamma} = \{c = (c_2, \dots, c_{N-n+2}) \in \mathbf{C}^{N-n+1} ; \Gamma \subset Q_c^*(z_0), \text{ where } Q_c = \sum_{j=2}^{N-n+2} c_j Q_j\}.$$

Then  $V_{1\Gamma}$  is a linear subspace of  $\mathbf{C}^{N-n+1}$ . Since  $\dim \left( \bigcap_{i=1}^{N-n+2} Q_i^*(z_0) \right) \leq n - 2$ , there exists  $i \in \{2, \dots, N - n + 2\}$  such that  $\Gamma \not\subset Q_i^*(z_0)$ . This implies that  $V_{1\Gamma}$  is a proper linear subspace of  $\mathbf{C}^{N-n+1}$ . Since the set of irreducible components of dimension  $n - 1$  of  $Q_1^*(z_0)$  is at most countable,

$$\mathbf{C}^{N-n+1} \setminus \bigcup_{\Gamma} V_{1\Gamma} \neq \emptyset.$$

Hence, there exists  $(c_{12}, \dots, c_{1(N-n+2)}) \in \mathbf{C}^{N-n+1}$  such that

$$\Gamma \not\subset P_2^*(z_0)$$

for all irreducible components of dimension  $n - 1$  of  $Q_1^*(z_0)$ , where  $P_2 = \sum_{j=2}^{N-n+2} c_{1j} Q_j$ . This clearly implies that  $\dim (P_1^*(z_0) \cap P_2^*(z_0)) \leq n - 2$ .

Step 2. For each irreducible component  $\Gamma'$  of dimension  $n - 2$  of  $(P_1^*(z_0) \cap P_2^*(z_0))$ , put

$$V_{2\Gamma'} = \{c = (c_2, \dots, c_{N-n+3}) \in \mathbf{C}^{N-n+2} ; \Gamma' \subset Q_c^*(z_0), \text{ where } Q_c = \sum_{j=2}^{N-n+3} c_j Q_j\}.$$

Hence,  $V_{2\Gamma'}$  is a linear subspace of  $\mathbf{C}^{N-n+2}$ . Since  $\dim \left( \bigcap_{i=1}^{N-n+3} Q_i^*(z_0) \right) \leq n - 3$ , there exists  $i, (2 \leq i \leq N - n + 3)$  such that  $\Gamma' \not\subset Q_i^*(z_0)$ . This implies that  $V_{2\Gamma'}$  is a proper linear subspace of  $\mathbf{C}^{N-n+2}$ . Since the set of irreducible components of dimension  $n - 2$  of  $(P_1^*(z_0) \cap P_2^*(z_0))$  is at most countable,

$$\mathbf{C}^{N-n+2} \setminus \bigcup_{\Gamma'} V_{2\Gamma'} \neq \emptyset.$$

Then, there exists  $(c_{22}, \dots, c_{2(N-n+3)}) \in \mathbf{C}^{N-n+2}$  such that

$$\Gamma' \not\subset P_3^*(z_0)$$

for all irreducible components of dimension  $n - 2$  of  $P_1^*(z_0) \cap P_2^*(z_0)$ , where  $P_3 = \sum_{j=2}^{N-n+3} c_{2j} Q_j$ . It is clear that  $\dim (P_1^*(z_0) \cap P_2^*(z_0) \cap P_3^*(z_0)) \leq n - 3$ .

Repeating again the above step, after the  $n$ -th step we get the hypersurfaces  $P_2, \dots, P_{n+1}$  satisfying that

$$\dim \left( \bigcap_{j=1}^t P_j^*(z_0) \right) \leq n - t, \quad t = 2, \dots, n + 1.$$

In particular,  $\left( \bigcap_{j=1}^{n+1} P_j^*(z_0) \right) = \emptyset$ . This yields that  $P_1, \dots, P_{n+1}$  are in weakly general position. We complete the proof of the lemma.  $\square$

**Proof of Theorem 1.1.** Replacing  $Q_i$  by  $Q_i^{d/d_i}$  if necessary with the note that

$$\frac{1}{d} N^{[L_0]}(r, f^* Q_i^{d/d_i}) \leq \frac{1}{d_i} N^{[L_j]}(r, f^* Q_i),$$

we may assume that all hypersurfaces  $Q_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq q$ ) are of the same degree  $d$ . We may also assume that  $q > (N - n + 1)(n + 1)$ .

Consider a reduced representation  $\tilde{f} = (f_0, \dots, f_n) : \mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}^{n+1}$  of  $f$ . We also note that

$$N_{Q_i(\tilde{f})}^{[L_0]}(r) = N_{\tilde{Q}(\tilde{f})}^{[L_0]}(r) + o(T_f(r)).$$

Then without loss of generality we may assume that  $Q_i \in \mathcal{K}_f[x_0, \dots, x_n]$ .

We set

$$\mathcal{I} = \{(i_1, \dots, i_{N+1}) ; 1 \leq i_j \leq q, i_j \neq i_t \ \forall j \neq t\}.$$

For each  $I = (i_1, \dots, i_{N+1}) \in \mathcal{I}$ , we denote by  $P_{I_1}, \dots, P_{I_{(n+1)}}$  the hypersurfaces obtained in Lemma 3.1 with respect to the family of hypersurfaces  $\{Q_{i_1}, \dots, Q_{i_{N+1}}\}$ . It is easy to see that there exists a positive function  $h \in \mathcal{C}_f$  such that

$$|P_{It}(\omega)| \leq h \max_{1 \leq j \leq N+1-n+t} |Q_{i_j}(\omega)|,$$

for all  $I \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $\omega = (\omega_0, \dots, \omega_n) \in \mathbf{C}^{n+1}$ .

For a fixed point  $z \in \mathbf{C}^m \setminus \bigcup_{i=1}^q Q_i(\tilde{f})^{-1}(\{0, \infty\})$ . We may assume that

$$|Q_{i_1}(\tilde{f})(z)| \leq |Q_{i_2}(\tilde{f})(z)| \leq \dots \leq |Q_{i_q}(\tilde{f})(z)|.$$

Let  $I = (i_1, \dots, i_{N+1})$ . Since  $P_{I_1}, \dots, P_{I_{(n+1)}}$  are in weakly general position, there exist functions  $g_0, g \in \mathcal{C}_f$ , which may be chosen independent of  $I$  and  $z$ , such that

$$\|\tilde{f}(z)\|^d \leq g_0(z) \max_{1 \leq j \leq n+1} |P_{I_j}(\tilde{f})(z)| \leq g(z) |Q_{i_{N+1}}(\tilde{f})(z)|.$$

Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{i=1}^q \frac{\|\tilde{f}(z)\|^d}{|Q_i(\tilde{f})(z)|} &\leq g^{q-N}(z) \prod_{j=1}^N \frac{\|\tilde{f}(z)\|^d}{|Q_{i_j}(\tilde{f})(z)|} \\ &\leq g^{q-N}(z) h^{n-1}(z) \frac{\|\tilde{f}(z)\|^{Nd}}{(\prod_{j=2}^{N-n+1} |Q_{i_j}(\tilde{f})(z)|) \cdot \prod_{j=1}^n |P_{I_j}(\tilde{f})(z)|} \\ &\leq g^{q-N}(z) h^{n-1}(z) \frac{\|\tilde{f}(z)\|^{Nd}}{|P_{I_1}(\tilde{f})(z)|^{N-n+1} \cdot \prod_{j=2}^n |P_{I_j}(\tilde{f})(z)|} \\ &\leq g^{q-N}(z) h^{n-1}(z) \zeta^{(N-n)(n-1)}(z) \frac{\|\tilde{f}(z)\|^{Nd+(N-n)(n-1)d}}{\prod_{j=1}^n |P_{I_j}(\tilde{f})(z)|^{N-n+1}}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $I = (i_1, \dots, i_{N+1})$  and  $\zeta$  is a function in  $\mathcal{C}_f$ , which is chosen common for all  $I \in \mathcal{I}$ , such that

$$|P_{I_j}(z)(\omega)| \leq \zeta(z) \|\omega\|^d, \ \forall \omega = (\omega_0, \dots, \omega_n) \in \mathbf{C}^{n+1}.$$

The above inequality implies that

$$\log \prod_{i=1}^q \frac{\|\tilde{f}(z)\|^d}{|Q_i(\tilde{f})(z)|} \leq \log(g^{q-N} h^{n-1} \zeta^{(N-n)(n-1)}(z)) + (N - n + 1) \log \frac{\|\tilde{f}(z)\|^{nd}}{\prod_{j=1}^n |P_{I_j}(\tilde{f})(z)|}. \tag{3.3}$$

Now, for each non-negative integer  $L$ , we denote by  $V_L$  the vector space (over  $\mathcal{K}_{\{Q_i\}}$ ) consisting of all homogeneous polynomials of degree  $L$  in  $\mathcal{K}_{\{Q_i\}}[x_0, \dots, x_n]$  and the zero polynomial. Denote by  $(P_{I_1}, \dots, P_{I_n})$  the ideal in  $\mathcal{K}_{\{Q_i\}}[x_0, \dots, x_n]$  generated by  $P_{I_1}, \dots, P_{I_n}$ .

**Lemma 3.4** (See [1, Lemma 5], [3, Proposition 3.3]). *Let  $\{P_i\}_{i=1}^q$  ( $q \geq n + 1$ ) be a set of homogeneous polynomials of common degree  $d \geq 1$  in  $\mathcal{K}_f[x_0, \dots, x_n]$  in weakly general position. Then for any nonnegative integer  $N$  and for any  $J := \{j_1, \dots, j_n\} \subset \{1, \dots, q\}$ , the dimension of the vector space  $\frac{V_L}{(P_{j_1}, \dots, P_{j_n}) \cap V_L}$  is equal to the number of  $n$ -tuples  $(s_1, \dots, s_n) \in \mathbf{N}_0^n$  such that  $s_1 + \dots + s_n \leq L$  and  $0 \leq s_1, \dots, s_n \leq d - 1$ . In particular, for all  $L \geq n(d - 1)$ , we have*

$$\dim \frac{V_L}{(P_{j_1}, \dots, P_{j_n}) \cap V_L} = d^n.$$

For each positive integer  $L$  divisible by  $d$  and for each  $(\mathbf{i}) = (i_1, \dots, i_n) \in \mathbf{N}_0^n$  with  $\sigma(\mathbf{i}) = \sum_{s=1}^n i_s \leq \frac{L}{d}$ , we set

$$W_{(\mathbf{i})}^I = \sum_{(\mathbf{j})=(j_1, \dots, j_n) \geq (\mathbf{i})} P_{I_1}^{j_1} \cdots P_{I_n}^{j_n} \cdot V_{L-d\sigma(\mathbf{j})}.$$

It is clear that  $W_{(0, \dots, 0)}^I = V_L$  and  $W_{(\mathbf{i})}^I \supset W_{(\mathbf{j})}^I$  if  $(\mathbf{i}) < (\mathbf{j})$  in the lexicographic ordering. Hence,  $W_{(\mathbf{i})}^I$  is a filtration of  $V_L$ .

Let  $(\mathbf{i}) = (i_1, \dots, i_n)$ ,  $(\mathbf{i}') = (i'_1, \dots, i'_n) \in \mathbf{N}_0^n$ . Suppose that  $(\mathbf{i}')$  follows  $(\mathbf{i})$  in the lexicographic ordering. We consider the following vector space homomorphism

$$\varphi : \gamma \in V_{L-d\sigma(\mathbf{i})} \mapsto [P_{I_1}^{i_1} \cdots P_{I_n}^{i_n} \gamma] \in \frac{W_{(\mathbf{i})}^I}{W_{(\mathbf{i}')}^I},$$

where  $[P_{I_1}^{i_1} \cdots P_{I_n}^{i_n} \gamma]$  is the equivalent class in  $\frac{W_{(\mathbf{i})}^I}{W_{(\mathbf{i}')}^I}$  containing  $P_{I_1}^{i_1} \cdots P_{I_n}^{i_n} \gamma$ . We see that  $\varphi$  is surjective. We will show that  $\ker \varphi$  is equal to  $(P_{I_1}, \dots, P_{I_n}) \cap V_{L-d\sigma(\mathbf{i})}$ .

In fact, for any  $\gamma \in \ker \varphi$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} P_{I_1}^{i_1} \cdots P_{I_n}^{i_n} \gamma &= \sum_{(\mathbf{j})=(j_1, \dots, j_n) \geq (\mathbf{i}')} P_{I_1}^{j_1} \cdots P_{I_n}^{j_n} \gamma_{\mathbf{j}} \\ &= \sum_{(\mathbf{j})=(j_1, \dots, j_n) > (\mathbf{i})} P_{I_1}^{j_1} \cdots P_{I_n}^{j_n} \gamma_{\mathbf{j}}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\gamma_{\mathbf{j}} \in V_{L-d\sigma(\mathbf{j})}$ . By Lemma 2.5 and Lemma 2.6, we have  $\gamma \in (P_{I_1}, \dots, P_{I_n})$ . Then

$$\ker \varphi \subset (P_{I_1}, \dots, P_{I_n}) \cap V_{L-d\sigma(\mathbf{i})}.$$

Conversely, for any  $\gamma \in (P_{I_1}, \dots, P_{I_n}) \cap V_{L-d\sigma(\mathbf{i})}$ , ( $\gamma \neq 0$ ), we have

$$\gamma = \sum_{s=1}^n P_{I_s} h_s, \quad h_s \in V_{L-d(\sigma(\mathbf{i})+1)}.$$

It implies that

$$\varphi(\gamma) = \sum_{s=1}^n [P_{I_1}^{i_1} \cdots P_{I_{s-1}}^{i_{s-1}} P_{I_s}^{i_s+1} P_{I_{s+1}}^{i_{s+1}} \cdots P_{I_n}^{i_n} h_s].$$

It is clear that  $P_{I_1}^{i_1} \cdots P_{I_{s-1}}^{i_{s-1}} P_{I_s}^{i_s+1} P_{I_{s+1}}^{i_s+1} \cdots P_{I_n}^{i_n} h_s \in W_{(i')}^I$ , and hence  $\varphi(\gamma) = 0$ , i.e.,  $\gamma \in \ker \varphi$ . Therefore, we have

$$\ker \varphi = (P_{I_1}, \dots, P_{I_n}) \cap V_{L-d\sigma(i)}.$$

This yields that

$$\dim \frac{W_{(i)}^I}{W_{(i')}^I} = \dim \frac{V_{L-d\sigma(i)}}{(P_{I_1}, \dots, P_{I_n}) \cap V_{L-d\sigma(i)}}. \tag{3.5}$$

Fix a number  $L$  large enough (chosen later). Set  $u = u_L := \dim V_L = \binom{L+n}{n}$ . We assume that

$$V_L = W_{(i_1)}^I \supset W_{(i_2)}^I \supset \cdots \supset W_{(i_K)}^I,$$

where  $W_{(i_{s+1})}^I$  follows  $W_{(i_s)}^I$  in the ordering and  $(i_K) = (\frac{L}{d}, 0, \dots, 0)$ . It is easy to see that  $K$  is the number of  $n$ -tuples  $(i_1, \dots, i_n)$  with  $i_j \geq 0$  and  $i_1 + \cdots + i_n \leq \frac{L}{d}$ . Then we have

$$K = \binom{\frac{L}{d} + n}{n}.$$

For each  $k \in \{1, \dots, K-1\}$  we set  $m_k^I = \dim \frac{W_{(i_k)}^I}{W_{(i_{k+1})}^I}$ , and set  $m_K^I = 1$ . Then by Lemma 3.6,  $m_k^I$  does not depend on  $\{P_{I_1}, \dots, P_{I_n}\}$  and  $k$ , but on  $\sigma(i_k)$ . Hence, we set  $m_k = m_k^I$ . We also note that

$$m_k = d^n \tag{3.6}$$

for all  $k$  with  $L - d\sigma(i_k) \geq nd$  (it is equivalent to  $\sigma(i_k) \leq \frac{L}{d} - n$ ).

From the above filtration, we may choose a basis  $\{\psi_1^I, \dots, \psi_u^I\}$  of  $V_L$  such that

$$\{\psi_{u-(m_s+\dots+m_K)+1}, \dots, \psi_u^I\}$$

is a basis of  $W_{(i_s)}^I$ . For each  $k \in \{1, \dots, K\}$  and  $l \in \{u - (m_k + \dots + m_K) + 1, \dots, u - (m_{k+1} + \dots + m_K)\}$ , we may write

$$\psi_l^I = P_{I_1}^{i_{1k}} \cdots P_{I_n}^{i_{nk}} h_l, \quad \text{where } (i_{1k}, \dots, i_{nk}) = (i_k), h_l \in W_{L-d\sigma(i_k)}^I.$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi_l^I(\tilde{f})(z)| &\leq |P_{I_1}(\tilde{f})(z)|^{i_{1k}} \cdots |P_{I_n}(\tilde{f})(z)|^{i_{nk}} |h_l(\tilde{f})(z)| \\ &\leq c_l |P_{I_1}(\tilde{f})(z)|^{i_{1k}} \cdots |P_{I_n}(\tilde{f})(z)|^{i_{nk}} \|\tilde{f}(z)\|^{L-d\sigma(i_k)} \\ &= c_l \left( \frac{|P_{I_1}(\tilde{f})(z)|}{\|\tilde{f}(z)\|^d} \right)^{i_{1k}} \cdots \left( \frac{|P_{I_n}(\tilde{f})(z)|}{\|\tilde{f}(z)\|^d} \right)^{i_{nk}} \|\tilde{f}(z)\|^L, \end{aligned}$$

where  $c_l \in \mathcal{C}_f$ , which does not depend on  $f$  and  $z$ . Taking the product the both sides of the above inequalities over all  $l$  and then taking logarithms, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \log \prod_{l=1}^u |\psi_l^I(\tilde{f})(z)| &\leq \sum_{k=1}^K m_k \left( i_{1k} \log \frac{|P_{I_1}(\tilde{f})(z)|}{\|\tilde{f}(z)\|^d} + \cdots + i_{nk} \log \frac{|P_{I_n}(\tilde{f})(z)|}{\|\tilde{f}(z)\|^d} \right) \\ &\quad + uL \log \|\tilde{f}(z)\| + \log c_I(z), \end{aligned} \tag{3.7}$$

where  $c_I = \prod_{l=1}^q c_l \in \mathcal{C}_f$ , which does not depend on  $f$  and  $z$ .

For each integer  $l$  ( $0 \leq l \leq \frac{L}{d}$ ), we set  $m(l) = m_k$ , where  $k$  is an index such that  $\sigma(\mathbf{i}_k) = l$ . Since  $m_k$  only depends on  $\sigma(\mathbf{i}_k)$ , the above definition of  $m(l)$  is well defined. We see that

$$\sum_{k=1}^K m_k i_{sk} = \sum_{l=0}^{\frac{L}{d}} \sum_{k|\sigma(\mathbf{i}_k)=l} m(l) i_{sk} = \sum_{l=0}^{\frac{L}{d}} m(l) \sum_{k|\sigma(\mathbf{i}_k)=l} i_{sk}.$$

Note that, by the symmetry  $(i_1, \dots, i_n) \rightarrow (i_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, i_{\sigma(n)})$  with  $\sigma \in S(n)$ ,  $\sum_{k|\sigma(\mathbf{i}_k)=l} i_{sk}$  does not depend on  $s$ . We set

$$A := \sum_{k=1}^K m_k i_{sk}, \text{ which is independent of } s \text{ and } I.$$

Hence, (3.7) gives

$$\log \prod_{l=1}^u |\psi_l^I(\tilde{f})(z)| \leq A \left( \log \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{|P_{Ii}(\tilde{f})(z)|}{\|\tilde{f}(z)\|^d} \right) + uL \log \|\tilde{f}(z)\| + \log c_I(z),$$

i.e.,

$$A \left( \log \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\|\tilde{f}(z)\|^d}{|P_{Ii}(\tilde{f})(z)|} \right) \leq \log \prod_{l=1}^u \frac{\|\tilde{f}(z)\|^L}{|\psi_l^I(\tilde{f})(z)|} + \log c_I(z).$$

Set  $c_0 = g^{q-N} h^{n-1} \zeta^{(N-n)(n-1)} \prod_I (1 + c_I^{(N-n+1)/A}) \in \mathcal{C}_f$ . Combining the above inequality with (3.3), we obtain that

$$\log \prod_{i=1}^q \frac{\|\tilde{f}(z)\|^d}{|Q_i(\tilde{f})(z)|} \leq \frac{N-n+1}{A} \log \prod_{l=1}^u \frac{\|\tilde{f}(z)\|^L}{|\psi_l^I(\tilde{f})(z)|} + \log c_0. \tag{3.8}$$

We now write

$$\psi_l^I = \sum_{J \in \mathcal{T}_L} c_{lJ}^I x^J \in V_L, \quad c_{lJ}^I \in \mathcal{K}_{\{Q_i\}},$$

where  $\mathcal{T}_L$  is the set of all  $(n+1)$ -tuples  $J = (j_0, \dots, j_n)$  with  $\sum_{s=0}^n j_s = L$ ,  $x^J = x_0^{j_0} \dots x_n^{j_n}$  and  $l \in \{1, \dots, u\}$ . For each  $l$ , we fix an index  $J_l^I \in J$  such that  $c_{lJ_l^I}^I \neq 0$ . Define

$$\mu_{lJ}^I = \frac{c_{lJ}^I}{c_{lJ_l^I}^I}, \quad J \in \mathcal{T}_L.$$

Set  $\Phi = \{\mu_{lJ}^I; I \subset \{1, \dots, q\}, \#I = n, 1 \leq l \leq M, J \in \mathcal{T}_L\}$ . Note that  $1 \in \Phi$ . Let  $B = \#\Phi$ . We see that  $B \leq u \binom{q}{n} \left( \binom{L+n}{n} - 1 \right) = \binom{L+n}{n} \left( \binom{L+n}{n} - 1 \right) \binom{q}{n}$ . For each positive integer  $l$ , we denote by  $\mathcal{L}(\Phi(l))$  the linear span over  $\mathbf{C}$  of the set

$$\Phi(l) = \{\gamma_1 \dots \gamma_l; \gamma_i \in \Phi\}.$$

It is easy to see that

$$\dim \mathcal{L}(\Phi(l)) \leq \#\Phi(l) \leq \binom{B+l-1}{B-1}.$$

We may choose a positive integer  $p$  such that

$$p \leq p_0 := \left[ \frac{B-1}{\log\left(1 + \frac{\epsilon}{3(n+1)(N-n+1)}\right)} \right]^2 \text{ and } \frac{\dim \mathcal{L}(\Phi(p+1))}{\dim \mathcal{L}(\Phi(p))} \leq 1 + \frac{\epsilon}{3(n+1)(N-n+1)}.$$

Indeed, if  $\frac{\dim \mathcal{L}(\Phi(p+1))}{\dim \mathcal{L}(\Phi(p))} > 1 + \frac{\epsilon}{3(n+1)(N-n+1)}$  for all  $p \leq p_0$ , we have

$$\dim \mathcal{L}(\Phi(p_0+1)) \geq \left(1 + \frac{\epsilon}{3(n+1)(N-n+1)}\right)^{p_0}.$$

Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \log\left(1 + \frac{\epsilon}{3(n+1)(N-n+1)}\right) &\leq \frac{\log \dim \mathcal{L}(\Phi(p_0+1))}{p_0} \leq \frac{\log \binom{B+p_0}{B-1}}{p_0} \\ &= \frac{1}{p_0} \log \prod_{i=1}^{B-1} \frac{p_0+i+1}{i} < \frac{(B-1) \log(p_0+2)}{p_0} \\ &\leq \frac{B-1}{\sqrt{p_0}} \leq \frac{(B-1) \log\left(1 + \frac{\epsilon}{3(n+1)(N-n+1)}\right)}{B-1} \\ &= \log\left(1 + \frac{\epsilon}{3(n+1)(N-n+1)}\right). \end{aligned}$$

This is a contradiction.

We fix a positive integer  $p$  satisfying the above condition. Put  $s = \dim \mathcal{L}(\Phi(p))$  and  $t = \dim \mathcal{L}(\Phi(p+1))$ . Let  $\{b_1, \dots, b_t\}$  be an  $\mathbf{C}$ -basis of  $\mathcal{L}(\Phi(p+1))$  such that  $\{b_1, \dots, b_s\}$  be a  $\mathbf{C}$ -basis of  $\mathcal{L}(\Phi(p))$ .

For each  $l \in \{1, \dots, u\}$ , we set

$$\tilde{\psi}_l^I = \sum_{J \in \mathcal{T}_L} \mu_{lJ}^I x^J.$$

For each  $J \in \mathcal{T}_L$ , we consider homogeneous polynomials  $\phi_J(x_0, \dots, x_n) = x^J$ . Let  $F$  be a meromorphic mapping of  $\mathbf{C}^m$  into  $\mathbf{P}^{tu-1}(\mathbf{C})$  with a reduced representation  $\tilde{F} = (hb_i \phi_J(\tilde{f}))_{1 \leq i \leq t, J \in \mathcal{T}_L}$ , where  $h$  is a nonzero meromorphic function on  $\mathbf{C}^m$ . We see that

$$\|N_h(r) + N_{1/h}(r) = o(T_f(r)).$$

Since  $f$  is assumed to be algebraically nondegenerate over  $\mathcal{K}_{\{Q_i\}}$ ,  $F$  is linearly nondegenerate over  $\mathbf{C}$ . We see that there exist nonzero functions  $c_1, c_2 \in \mathcal{C}_f$  such that

$$c_1 |h| \cdot \|\tilde{f}\|^L \leq \|\tilde{F}\| \leq c_2 |h| \cdot \|\tilde{f}\|^L.$$

For each  $l \in \{1, \dots, u\}, 1 \leq i \leq s$ , we consider the linear form  $L_{il}^I$  in  $x^J$  such that

$$hb_i \tilde{\psi}_l^I(\tilde{f}) = L_{il}^I(\tilde{F}).$$

Since  $f$  is algebraically nondegenerate over  $\mathcal{K}_{\{Q_i\}}$ , it is easy to see that  $\{b_i \tilde{\psi}_l^I(\tilde{f}); 1 \leq i \leq s, 1 \leq l \leq M\}$  is linearly independent over  $\mathbf{C}$ , and so is  $\{L_{il}^I(\tilde{F}); 1 \leq i \leq s, 1 \leq l \leq u\}$ . This yields that  $\{L_{il}^I; 1 \leq i \leq s, 1 \leq l \leq u\}$  is linearly independent over  $\mathbf{C}$ .

For every point  $z$  which is not neither zero nor pole of any  $hb_i\psi_l^I(\tilde{f})$ , we also see that

$$\begin{aligned} s \log \prod_{l=1}^u \frac{\|\tilde{f}(z)\|^L}{|\psi_l^I(\tilde{f})(z)|} &= \log \prod_{\substack{1 \leq l \leq u \\ 1 \leq i \leq s}} \frac{\|\tilde{F}(z)\|}{|hb_i\psi_l^I(\tilde{f})(z)|} + \log c_3(z) \\ &= \log \prod_{\substack{1 \leq l \leq u \\ 1 \leq i \leq s}} \frac{\|\tilde{F}(z)\| \cdot \|L_{il}^I\|}{|L_{il}^I(\tilde{F})(z)|} + \log c_4(z), \end{aligned}$$

where  $c_3, c_4$  are nonzero functions in  $\mathcal{C}_f$ , not depend on  $f$  and  $I$ , but on  $\{Q_i\}_{i=1}^q$ . Combining this inequality and (3.8), we obtain that

$$\log \prod_{i=1}^q \frac{\|\tilde{f}(z)\|^d}{|Q_i(\tilde{f})(z)|} \leq \frac{N - n + 1}{sA} \left( \max_I \log \prod_{\substack{1 \leq l \leq u \\ 1 \leq i \leq s}} \frac{\|\tilde{F}(z)\| \cdot \|L_{il}^I\|}{|L_{il}^I(\tilde{F})(z)|} + \log c_4(z) \right) + \log c_0(z), \tag{3.9}$$

for all  $z$  outside an analytic subset of  $\mathbf{C}^m$ .

Since  $\tilde{F}$  is linearly nondegenerate over  $\mathbf{C}$ , there exists an admissible set  $\alpha = (\alpha_{iJ})_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq t \\ J \in \mathcal{T}_L}}$  with  $\alpha_{iJ} \in \mathbf{Z}_+^m$ ,  $\|\alpha_{iJ}\| \leq tu - 1$ , such that

$$W^\alpha(hb_i\tilde{\phi}_J(\tilde{f})) = \det(\mathcal{D}^{\alpha_{i'J'}}(hb_i\tilde{\phi}_J(\tilde{f}))) \neq 0.$$

By Theorem 2.4, we have

$$\left\| \int_{S(r)} \max_I \left\{ \log \prod_{\substack{1 \leq l \leq u \\ 1 \leq i \leq s}} \frac{\|\tilde{F}(z)\| \cdot \|L_{il}^I\|}{|L_{il}^I(\tilde{F})(z)|} \right\} \right\| \leq tuT_F(r) - N_{W^\alpha(hb_i\tilde{\phi}_J(\tilde{f}))}(r) + o(T_F(r)). \tag{3.10}$$

Integrating both sides of (3.9) and using (3.10), we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} qdT_f(r) - \sum_{i=1}^q N(r, f^*Q_i) &\leq \frac{tu(N - n + 1)}{sA} T_F(r) - \frac{N - n + 1}{sA} N_{W^\alpha(hb_i\tilde{\phi}_J(\tilde{f}))}(r) \\ &\quad + o(T_F(r) + T_f(r)). \end{aligned} \tag{3.11}$$

We now estimate the quantity  $\sum_{i=1}^q N(r, f^*Q_i) - \frac{N-n+1}{sA} N_{W^\alpha(hb_i\tilde{\phi}_J(\tilde{f}))}(r)$ . Fix a point  $z_0 \in \mathbf{C}^m \setminus I(f)$ . Without loss of generality, we may assume that

$$\nu_{Q_1(\tilde{f})}(z_0) \geq \dots \geq \nu_{Q_N(\tilde{f})}(z_0) \geq \dots \geq \nu_{Q_q(\tilde{f})}(z_0).$$

First, we recall that

$$Q_i(x) = \sum_{J \in \mathcal{T}_d} a_{iJ} x^J \in \mathcal{K}_{\{Q_i\}}[x_0, \dots, x_n].$$

Let  $T = (\dots, t_{kJ}, \dots)$  ( $k \in \{1, \dots, q\}, J \in \mathcal{T}_d$ ) be a family of variables and

$$Q_i^T = \sum_{J \in \mathcal{T}_d} T_{iJ} x^J \in \mathbf{Z}[T, x], \quad i = 1, \dots, q.$$

For each ordered subset  $I = (i_1, \dots, i_{N+1}) \subset \{1, \dots, q\}$ , we denote by  $\tilde{R}_I \in \mathbf{Z}[T]$  the resultant of  $\{Q_i^T\}_{i \in I}$ . Then there exist a positive integer  $\lambda$  (common for all  $I$ ) and polynomials  $\tilde{b}_{ij}^I$  ( $0 \leq i \leq n, j \in I$ ) in  $\mathbf{Z}[T, x]$ , which are zero or homogeneous in  $x$  with degree of  $\lambda - d$  such that

$$x_i^\lambda \cdot \tilde{R}_I = \sum_{j \in I} \tilde{b}_{ij}^I Q_j^T \quad \text{for all } i \in \{1, \dots, q\},$$

and  $R_I = \tilde{R}_I(\dots, a_{kJ}, \dots) \neq 0$ . We see that  $R_I \in \mathcal{K}_f$ . Set

$$b_{ij}^I = \tilde{b}_{ij}^I((\dots, a_{jJ}, \dots), (x_0, \dots, x_n)).$$

Then we have

$$f_i^\lambda \cdot R_I = \sum_{j \in I} b_{ij}^I(\tilde{f}) Q_j(\tilde{f}) \quad \text{for all } i \in \{0, \dots, n\}.$$

This implies that

$$\nu_{R_I} \geq \min_{j \in I} \nu_{Q_j(\tilde{f})} + \min_{0 \leq i \leq n, j \in I} \nu_{b_{ij}^I(\tilde{f})}.$$

We set  $R = \prod_{I \subset \{1, \dots, q\}} R_I \in \mathcal{K}_{\{Q_i\}}$ . It is easy to see that

$$\nu_{b_{ij}^I(\tilde{f})} \geq O(\min_{k,J} \nu_{a_{kJ}}),$$

and the left hand side of this inequality is only depend on  $\{Q_i\}$ . Then it implies that there exists a constant  $c$ , which depends only on  $\{Q_i\}$ , such that

$$\min_{j \in I} \nu_{Q_j(f)} \leq \nu_R - c \min_{k,J} \nu_{a_{kJ}},$$

for each ordered subset  $I \subset \{1, \dots, q\}$  with  $\#I = N + 1$ .

Now, we let  $I = \{1, \dots, N + 1\} \subset \{1, \dots, q\}$ . Then

$$\nu_{Q_j(f)}(z_0) \leq \nu_R(z_0) - c \min_{k,J} \nu_{a_{kJ}}(z_0), \quad j = N + 1, \dots, q.$$

Also it is easy to see that

$$\nu_{Q_{N-n+i}(\tilde{f})}(z_0) \leq \nu_{P_{I_i}}(z_0),$$

and hence

$$\nu_{Q_{N-n+i}(\tilde{f})}(z_0) - \nu_{Q_{N-n+i}(\tilde{f})}^{[tu-1]}(z_0) \leq \nu_{P_{I_i}}(z_0) - \nu_{P_{I_i}}^{[tu-1]}(z_0), \quad i = 2, \dots, n.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^q (\nu_{Q_i(\tilde{f})}(z_0) - \nu_{Q_i(\tilde{f})}^{[tu-1]}(z_0)) &\leq (N - n + 1)(\nu_{Q_1(\tilde{f})}(z_0) - \nu_{Q_1(\tilde{f})}^{[tu-1]}(z_0)) \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=2}^n (\nu_{P_{I_i}(\tilde{f})}(z_0) - \nu_{P_{I_i}(\tilde{f})}^{[tu-1]}(z_0)) + (q - N)\nu_{Q_{N+1}(\tilde{f})}(z_0) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq (N - n + 1) \sum_{i=1}^n (\nu_{P_{I_i}(\tilde{f})}(z_0) - \nu_{P_{I_i}(\tilde{f})}^{[tu-1]}(z_0)) \\ &\quad + (q - N)(\nu_R(z_0) - c \min_{k,J} \nu_{a_{k,J}}(z_0)). \end{aligned} \quad (3.12)$$

Take linear forms  $h_{il}^I$  in  $x^J$ ,  $1 \leq l \leq u$ ,  $s+1 \leq i \leq t$ ,  $J \in \mathcal{T}_L$  such that  $\{L_{il}^I; 1 \leq l \leq u, 1 \leq i \leq s\} \cup \{h_{il}^I; 1 \leq l \leq u, s+1 \leq i \leq t\}$  is linearly independent over  $\mathbf{C}$ . Moreover, we easily see that

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_{W^\alpha(hb_i \tilde{\varphi}_J(\tilde{f}))}(z_0) &= \nu_{W^\alpha(L_{il}^I(\tilde{F}), \dots, h_{il}^I(\tilde{F}))}(z_0) \\ &\geq \sum_{\substack{1 \leq l \leq u \\ 1 \leq i \leq s}} \left( \nu_{L_{il}^I(\tilde{F})}(z_0) - \nu_{L_{il}^I(\tilde{F})}^{[tu-1]}(z_0) \right) \\ &\geq \sum_{\substack{1 \leq l \leq u \\ 1 \leq i \leq s}} \left( \nu_{hb_i \tilde{\psi}_{il}^I(\tilde{f})}(z_0) - \nu_{hb_i \tilde{\psi}_{il}^I(\tilde{f})}^{[tu-1]}(z_0) \right) \\ &\geq \sum_{\substack{1 \leq l \leq u \\ 1 \leq i \leq s}} \left( \nu_{\tilde{\psi}_{il}^I(\tilde{f})}(z_0) - \nu_{\tilde{\psi}_{il}^I(\tilde{f})}^{[tu-1]}(z_0) \right) - C \max_{1 \leq i \leq s} \nu_{hb_i}^\infty(z_0), \end{aligned} \quad (3.13)$$

where  $C$  is a positive constant, which is chosen independently of  $I$ , since there are only finite ordered subset  $I$ .

Now for integers  $x, y$ , we easily see that

$$\max\{0, x + y - L\} \geq \max\{0, x - L\} + \min\{0, y\}.$$

It yields that

$$\nu_{\varphi_1 \varphi_2}(z) - \nu_{\varphi_1 \varphi_2}^{[L]}(z) \geq \nu_{\varphi_1}(z) - \nu_{\varphi_1}^{[L]}(z) - \nu_{\varphi_2}^\infty(z), \quad (3.14)$$

for every nonzero meromorphic functions  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2$ . If let  $x_1, \dots, x_{k_1}$  be  $k_1$  non-negative integers and let  $y_1, \dots, y_{k_2}$  be  $k_2$  negative integers, then we have the following estimate

$$\begin{aligned} &\max\{0, x_1 + \dots + x_{k_1} + y_1 + \dots + y_{k_2} - L\} \\ &\geq \sum_{i=1}^{k_1} \max\{0, x_i - L\} + \sum_{i=1}^{k_2} \min\{0, y_i\} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{k_1} (\max\{0, x_i - L\} + \min\{0, x_i\}) + \sum_{i=1}^{k_2} (\max\{0, y_i - L\} + \min\{0, y_i\}). \end{aligned}$$

This yields that

$$\nu_{\prod_{i=1}^k \varphi_i}(z) - \nu_{\prod_{i=1}^k \varphi_i}^{[L]}(z) \geq \sum_{i=1}^k (\nu_{\varphi_i}(z) - \nu_{\varphi_i}^{[L]}(z) - \nu_{\varphi_i}^\infty(z)), \quad (3.15)$$

for any meromorphic functions  $\varphi_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq k$ ).

For each  $1 \leq l \leq u$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq s$  we have

$$\tilde{\psi}_l^I(\tilde{f}) = \frac{1}{c_{l,J}^I} \prod_{j=1}^n P_{I_j}^{i_{jk}}(\tilde{f}) h_l(\tilde{f}),$$

where  $(i_{1k}, \dots, i_{nk}) = I_k, h_l \in V_{L-d\sigma(i_k)}$  and  $h_l$  is independent of  $f$ . Now using (3.14) and (3.15), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_{\tilde{\psi}_{il}^I(\tilde{f})}(z_0) - \nu_{\tilde{\psi}_{il}^I(\tilde{f})}^{[tu-1]}(z_0) &\geq \nu_{\prod_{j=1}^n P_{I_j}^{i_{jk}}(\tilde{f})}(z_0) - \nu_{\prod_{j=1}^n P_{I_j}^{i_{jk}}(\tilde{f})}^{[tu-1]}(z_0) - \nu_{c_{i,J}^I}(z_0) \\ &\geq \sum_{j=1}^n i_{jk}(\nu_{P_{I_j}(\tilde{f})}(z_0) - \nu_{P_{I_j}(\tilde{f})}^{[tu-1]}(z_0)) - c_1 \max_{j,J} \nu_{a_{j,J}}(z_0), \end{aligned}$$

where  $c_1$  is a constant, which depends only on  $\{Q_i\}, t$  and  $L$ . Summing-up both sides of the above inequalities over all  $1 \leq i \leq u, 1 \leq l \leq s$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq u \\ 1 \leq l \leq s}} (\nu_{\tilde{\psi}_{il}^I(\tilde{f})}(z_0) - \nu_{\tilde{\psi}_{il}^I(\tilde{f})}^{[tu-1]}(z_0)) &\geq \sum_{j=1}^n s \sum_{k=1}^K m_k^I i_{jk} (\nu_{P_{I_j}(\tilde{f})}(z_0) - \nu_{P_{I_j}(\tilde{f})}^{[tu-1]}(z_0)) - c_2 \max_{j,J} \nu_{a_{j,J}}(z_0) \\ &= As \sum_{j=1}^n (\nu_{P_{I_j}(\tilde{f})}(z_0) - \nu_{P_{I_j}(\tilde{f})}^{[tu-1]}(z_0)) - c_2 \max_{j,J} \nu_{a_{j,J}}(z_0), \end{aligned} \tag{3.16}$$

where  $c_2$  is a constant, which depends only on  $\{Q_i\}, t$  and  $L$ .

Combining (3.13) and (3.16), we get

$$\nu_{W^\alpha(hb_i\tilde{\phi}_J(\tilde{f}))}(z_0) \geq As \sum_{j=1}^n (\nu_{P_{I_j}(\tilde{f})}(z_0) - \nu_{P_{I_j}(\tilde{f})}^{[tu-1]}(z_0)) - c_2 \max_{j,J} \nu_{a_{j,J}}(z_0) - C \max_{1 \leq i \leq s} \nu_{hb_i}^\infty(z_0).$$

Combining (3.12) and this inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{N-n+1}{As} \nu_{W^\alpha(b_i\tilde{\phi}_J(\tilde{f}))}(z_0) \\ &\geq \sum_{i=1}^q (\nu_{Q_i(\tilde{f})}(z_0) - \nu_{Q_i(\tilde{f})}^{[tu-1]}(z_0)) - (N-n+1)(q-N)(\nu_R(z_0)) \\ &\quad + c \max_{1 \leq k \leq q} \nu_{a_{k,J_k}}(z_0) - \frac{N-n+1}{As} (c_2 \max_{j,J} \nu_{a_{j,J}}(z_0) + C \max_{1 \leq i \leq s} \nu_{hb_i}^\infty(z_0)). \end{aligned}$$

Integrating both sides of the above inequality, we obtain that

$$\| \frac{N-n+1}{As} N_{W^\alpha(hb_i\tilde{\phi}_J(\tilde{f}))}(r) \geq \sum_{i=1}^q (N_{Q_i(\tilde{f})}(r) - N_{Q_i(\tilde{f})}^{[tu-1]}(r)) + o(T_f(r)).$$

From this inequality and (3.11) with a note that  $T_F(r) = LT_f(r) + o(T_f(r))$ , we have

$$\| (q - \frac{tuL(N-n+1)}{dAs}) T_f(r) \leq \sum_{i=1}^q \frac{1}{d} N^{[tu-1]}(r, f^*Q_i) + o(T_f(r)). \tag{3.17}$$

Now we give some estimates for  $A, t$  and  $s$ . For each  $I_k = (i_{1k}, \dots, i_{nk})$  with  $\sigma(\mathbf{i}_k) \leq \frac{L}{d} - n$ , we set

$$i_{(n+1)k} = \frac{L}{d} - n - \sum_{s=1}^n i_s.$$

Since the number of nonnegative integer  $p$ -tuples with summation  $\leq T$  is equal to the number of nonnegative integer  $(p+1)$ -tuples with summation exactly equal to  $T \in \mathbf{Z}$ , which is  $\binom{T+n}{n}$ , and since the sum below is independent of  $s$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
A &= \sum_{\sigma(\mathbf{i}_k) \leq \frac{L}{d}} m_k^I i_{sk} \geq \sum_{\sigma(\mathbf{i}_k) \leq \frac{L}{d} - n} m_k^I i_{sk} = \frac{d^n}{n+1} \sum_{\sigma(\mathbf{i}_k) \leq \frac{L}{d} - n} \sum_{s=1}^{n+1} i_{sk} \\
&= \frac{d^n}{n+1} \cdot \binom{\frac{L}{d}}{n} \cdot \left( \frac{L}{d} - n \right) = d^n \binom{\frac{L}{d}}{n+1}.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, for every positive number  $x \in [0, \frac{1}{(n+1)^2}]$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(1+x)^n &= 1 + nx + \sum_{i=2}^n \binom{n}{i} x^i \leq 1 + nx + \sum_{i=2}^n \frac{n^i}{i!(n+1)^{2i-2}} x \\
&\leq 1 + nx + \sum_{i=2}^n \frac{1}{i!} x \leq 1 + (n+1)x.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.18}$$

We chose  $L = (n+1)d + 2(N-n+1)(n+1)^3 I(\epsilon^{-1})d$ . Then  $L$  is divisible by  $d$  and we have

$$\frac{(n+1)d}{L - (n+1)d} = \frac{(n+1)d}{2(N-n+1)(n+1)^3 I(\epsilon^{-1})d} \leq \frac{1}{2(n+1)^2}. \tag{3.19}$$

Therefore, using (3.18) and (3.19) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{uL}{dA} &\leq \frac{\binom{L+n}{n} L}{d^{n+1} \binom{\frac{L}{d}}{n+1}} = \frac{L \cdot (L+1) \cdots (L+n)}{1 \cdot 2 \cdots n} / \frac{(L-nd) \cdot (L-(n-1)d) \cdots L}{1 \cdot 2 \cdots (n+1)} \\
&= (n+1) \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{L+i}{L-(n-i+1)d} < (n+1) \left( \frac{L}{L-(n+1)d} \right)^n \\
&= (n+1) \left( 1 + \frac{(n+1)d}{L-(n+1)d} \right)^n < (n+1) \left( 1 + \frac{(n+1)^2 d}{2(N-n+1)(n+1)^3 I(\epsilon^{-1})d} \right) \\
&\leq (n+1) + \frac{(n+1)^3 d}{2(n+1)^3 (N-n+1)\epsilon^{-1}} \leq n+1 + \frac{\epsilon}{2(N-n+1)}.
\end{aligned}$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{tuL}{dAs} &\leq \left( 1 + \frac{\epsilon}{3(n+1)(N-n+1)} \right) \left( n+1 + \frac{\epsilon}{2(N-n+1)} \right) \\
&\leq n+1 + \frac{\epsilon}{2(N-n+1)} + \frac{\epsilon}{3(N-n+1)} + \frac{\epsilon}{6(N-n+1)} \\
&= n+1 + \frac{\epsilon}{N-n+1}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.20}$$

Combining (3.17) and (3.20), we get

$$(q - (N-n+1)(n+1) - \epsilon) T_f(r) \leq \sum_{i=1}^q \frac{1}{d} N^{[tu-1]}(r, f^* Q_i) + o(T_f(r)). \tag{3.21}$$

Here we note that:

- $L := (n+1)d + 2(N-n+1)(n+1)^3 I(\epsilon^{-1})d$ ,
- $p_0 := \left[ \frac{B-1}{\log(1 + \frac{\epsilon}{3(n+1)(N-n+1)})} \right]^2 \leq \left[ \frac{\binom{L+n}{n} ((\binom{L+n}{n} - 1) \binom{q}{n} - 1)}{\log(1 + \frac{\epsilon}{3(n+1)(N-n+1)})} \right]^2$ ,
- $tu - 1 \leq \binom{L+n}{n} \binom{B+p}{B-1} - 1 \leq \binom{L+n}{n} p^{B-1} - 1 \leq \binom{L+n}{n} p_0^{\binom{L+n}{n} ((\binom{L+n}{n} - 1) \binom{q}{n} - 2)} - 1 = L_0$ .

By these estimates and by (3.21), we obtain

$$\| (q - (N - n + 1)(n + 1) - \epsilon)T_f(r) \leq \sum_{i=1}^q \frac{1}{d} N^{[L_0]}(r, f^*Q_i) + o(T_f(r)).$$

The theorem is proved.  $\square$

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