

UNICITY THEOREMS FOR MEROMORPHIC FUNCTIONS

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Abstract

This paper studies the problem of uniqueness of meromorphic functions. In this paper we will improve a result given by K. Tohge.

§1. Introduction

By a “meromorphic function” we will mean a meromorphic function in the complex plane. It is assumed that the reader is familiar with the notations of the Nevanlinna theory that can be found, for instance, in [2] or [4]. Let f and g be two non-constant meromorphic functions and a be a value in the extended complex plane. We say that f and g share a value a IM (ignoring multiplicity), if f and g have the same a -points, and also they share the value a CM (counting multiplicity), if f and g have the same a -points with the same multiplicity. Let k be a positive integer or ∞ , we denote by $\bar{E}_k(a, f)$ the set of a -points of f with multiplicity $\leq k$ (ignoring multiplicity), by $N_k(r, 1/(f - a))$ the counting function of a -points of f with multiplicity $\leq k$ and by $N_{(2)}(r, 1/(f - a))$ the counting function of a -points of f with multiplicity ≥ 2 (See [4]). Finally we say a is a Picard exceptional value of f , if $f(z) \neq a$.

In [3] K. Tohge proved the following:

THEOREM 1. *Let f and g be non-constant meromorphic functions that share three values $0, 1, \infty$ CM and f', g' share 0 CM. Then f and g satisfy one of the following:*

- (i) $f \equiv g$,
 - (ii) $fg \equiv 1$,
 - (iii) $(f - 1)(g - 1) \equiv 1$,
 - (iv) $f + g \equiv 1$,
- (1.1)

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