

ON DEFECT RELATIONS OF MOVING HYPERPLANES

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§1. Introduction

The defect relation $\sum_{j=1}^q \delta(f, H_j) \leq n + 1$ gives the best-possible estimate, where f is a linearly non-degenerate holomorphic curve in $P^n(\mathbf{C})$ and H_1, \dots, H_q are hyperplanes in $P^n(\mathbf{C})$ which are in general position. However, the case of moving hyperplanes has ever got only $n(n + 1)$ instead of $n + 1$ (Stoll [4]) and it has not yet been known whether this bound is best-possible or not. In this paper we shall give some particular cases which have the bound $n + 1$.

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§2. Holomorphic curves and moving hyperplanes

In this paper, we fix one homogeneous coordinate system of the n -dimensional complex projective space $P^n(\mathbf{C})$ and denote it by the notation $w = (w_0 : \dots : w_n)$.

A hyperplane H in $P^n(\mathbf{C})$ is an $(n - 1)$ -dimensional projective subspace of $P^n(\mathbf{C})$, i.e., it is given by $H = \{w \in P^n(\mathbf{C}) \mid \sum_{j=0}^n a_j w_j = 0\}$, where $(a_0, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbf{C}^{n+1} - \{0\}$. We call the vector (a_0, \dots, a_n) a representation of H . Let H_j be hyperplanes in $P^n(\mathbf{C})$ with representations $a^j = (a_0^j, \dots, a_n^j)$ ($j = 1, \dots, q$). If any $\min(q, n + 1)$ elements of a^1, \dots, a^q are linearly independent over \mathbf{C} , H_1, \dots, H_q are said to be in general position.

We call a holomorphic mapping $f: C \rightarrow P^n(\mathbf{C})$ a holomorphic curve in $P^n(\mathbf{C})$. A representation of f is a holomorphic mapping $\tilde{f} = (f_0, \dots, f_n): C \rightarrow \mathbf{C}^{n+1}$ which satisfies $\tilde{f}^{-1}(0) \neq C$ and $f(z) = (f_0(z) : \dots : f_n(z))$ for all $z \in C - \tilde{f}^{-1}(0)$. Then we write $f = (f_0 : \dots : f_n)$. If $\tilde{f}^{-1}(0) = \emptyset$, then the representation \tilde{f} is said to be reduced.

DEFINITION 2.1. A moving hyperplane H^M in $P^n(\mathbf{C})$ is a mapping of

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