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## REMARKS TO THE UNIQUENESS PROBLEM OF MEROMORPHIC MAPS INTO $P^{N}(C)$ , IV

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## §1. Introduction

Let  $H_1, H_2, \dots, H_{N+2}$  be hyperplanes in  $P^N(C)$  located in general position and  $\nu_1, \nu_2, \dots, \nu_{N+2}$  divisors on  $C^n$ . We consider the set  $\mathscr{F}(H_i, \nu_i)$  of all non-degenerate meromorphic maps of  $C^n$  into  $P^N(C)$  such that the pullbacks  $\nu(f, H_i)$  of the divisors  $(H_i)$  on  $P^N(C)$  by f are equal to  $\nu_i$  for any  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N+2$ . In the previous paper [6], the author showed that  $\mathscr{F}$  $:= \mathscr{F}(H_i, \nu_i)$  cannot contain more than N+1 algebraically independent maps. Relating to this, the following theorem will be proved.

THEOREM. The set  $\mathcal{F}$  is finite.

We give here an example which shows that the number  $\#\mathscr{F}$  of elements in  $\mathscr{F}$  is not less than (N+1)!. Take N+1 nowhere zero entire functions  $h_1, \dots, h_{N+1}$  such that  $h_i/h_j \neq \text{const}$  if  $i \neq j$ , and define

$$F:=h_1+h_2+\cdots+h_{N+1}$$
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We consider hyperplanes

(1) 
$$H_i : w_i = 0 \quad (1 \leq i \leq N+1) \\ H_{N+2} : w_1 + w_2 + \cdots + w_{N+1} = 0$$

in  $P^{N}(C)$  and divisors

$$egin{aligned} 
u_i &= 0 & (1 \leq i \leq N+1) \ 
u_{N+2} &:= 
u_F \end{aligned}$$

on  $C^n$ , where  $w_1: w_2: \cdots: w_{N+1}$  are homogeneous coordinates on  $P^N(C)$  and  $\nu_F$  denotes the divisor defined by the zero-multiplicity of F. Then,  $\mathscr{F}:=\mathscr{F}(H_i,\nu_i)$  contains

$$f^{\sigma} = h_{\sigma(1)} \colon h_{\sigma(2)} \colon \cdots \colon h_{\sigma(N+1)}$$

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