

Supplement to “Holomorphic curves in algebraic varieties”^{*)}

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Let V be a complex projective algebraic smooth variety of dimension n and Σ a hypersurface of V . Using the same notation and terminologies as in [1], we recall Main Theorem in [1, section 3]:

Assume that there exists a system $\{\omega_i\}_{i=1}^{n+1}$ of $n+1$ logarithmic 1-forms $\omega_i \in H^0(V, \Omega_V^1(\log \Sigma))$ such that $\omega_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \tilde{\omega}_i \wedge \cdots \wedge \omega_{n+1}$, $1 \leq i \leq n+1$, are linearly independent over \mathbf{C} . Let $f: \mathbf{C} \rightarrow V$ be a holomorphic curve such that $f(\mathbf{C}) \not\subset \Sigma$ and f is non-degenerate with respect to $\{\omega_i\}_{i=1}^{n+1}$. Then there is a positive constant κ such that

$$(1) \quad \kappa T_f(r) < \bar{N}_f(r, \Sigma) + S_f(r).$$

The purpose of this supplementary note is to show the existence of a positive κ which is independent of f (cf. [1, Remark 1, p. 846]). In the present note we shall use the same notation and terminologies as in [1].

PROPOSITION (2). *Under the same assumptions as in the above theorem, there is a positive constant κ independent of f such that (1) holds.*

PROOF. We take a finite affine covering $\{W_\alpha\}_{\alpha=1}^l$ of $\{x \in V - \Sigma; \omega_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \omega_n(x) \neq 0\}$. Then there is one W_α such that $f(\mathbf{C}) \cap W_\alpha \neq \emptyset$. In the sequel, we simply write W for the W_α and fix an embedding $W \subset \mathbf{C}^N$ with an affine coordinate system $\{T_1, \dots, T_N\}$. Set $f^* \omega_i = \zeta_i dz$. By the method of the proof of (1) in [1, section 3], it suffices to show the lemma:

LEMMA (3). *Let the notation be as above. Then there are only finitely many polynomials depending only on $\{\omega_i\}_{i=1}^{n+1}$ and the T_k 's*

$$F(X_{ij}; Y_k) = P_0(X_{ij})Y_k^d + P_1(X_{ij})Y_k^{d-1} + \cdots + P_d(X_{ij}),$$

where $i=1, \dots, n+1$, $j=0, \dots, n-1$ and $k=1, \dots, N$, such that for any $f: \mathbf{C} \rightarrow V$ non-degenerate with respect to $\{\omega_i\}_{i=1}^{n+1}$ whose image meets W , there is one $F(X_{ij}; Y_k)$ satisfying that $F(\zeta_i^{(j)}; f^* T_k) \equiv 0$ and the leading coefficient $P_0(\zeta_i^{(j)}) \neq 0$.

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PROOF. The proof of this lemma is done along the same line as in Ochiai [2, Theorem A], by using the elimination theorem (cf., e.g., [3, Chap. XI]). Let $J_n(W) \rightarrow W$ be the holomorphic n -th jet bundle of germs of holomorphic mappings $g: (\mathbf{C}; 0) \rightarrow W$ from a neighborhood of the origin of \mathbf{C} into W . Let $j_n(g)$ denote the n -th jet of $g: (\mathbf{C}; 0) \rightarrow W$ and set $g^*\omega_i = \xi_i dz$ for $g: (\mathbf{C}; 0) \rightarrow W$. Then we have the following canonical mapping I attached to $\{\omega_i\}_{i=1}^{n+1}$ ([2, section 2])

$$(4) \quad I: J_n(W) = W \times \mathbf{C}^{n^2} \longrightarrow \mathbf{C}^{n^2+n}$$

which is defined by

$$I((g(0), (\xi_i^{(j)}(0))_{1 \leq i \leq n, 0 \leq j \leq n-1}) = (\xi_i^{(j)}(0))_{1 \leq i \leq n+1, 0 \leq j \leq n-1} = (X_{ij})$$

for $j_n(g) = (g(0), (\xi_i^{(j)}(0))$, where (X_{ij}) is the natural coordinate system of \mathbf{C}^{n^2+n} . By [2, Lemma 2.4] the locus S where the differential dI is not regular is a proper subvariety of $W \times \mathbf{C}^{n^2}$ and $J_n(f) (f^{-1}(W)) \not\subset S$, where $J_n(f): \mathbf{C} \rightarrow J_n(V)$ is the n -th prolongation of f . We may assume that the projection, $W \ni (T_1, \dots, T_N) \rightarrow (T_1, \dots, T_n) \in \mathbf{C}^n$, is a finite morphism. Let $\{A_\alpha\}_{\alpha=1}^t$ be a system of generators of the ideal $\{P \in \mathbf{C}[T_1, \dots, T_N]; P=0 \text{ on } W\}$, where $\mathbf{C}[T_1, \dots, T_N]$ denotes the ring of polynomials in the T_i 's with coefficients in \mathbf{C} . We may assume that the system $\{A_\alpha\}$ contains polynomials of the following form

$$T_k^d + A_{k1}(T_1, \dots, T_n) T_k^{d-1} + \dots + A_{kd}(T_1, \dots, T_n)$$

for $k = n+1, \dots, N$. By the elimination theorem, it is sufficient to prove Lemma (3) for $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$, say for $k = 1$. From (4) and $\{A_\alpha\}$ we obtain algebraic equations

$$(5) \quad \begin{cases} I_k(T_1, \dots, T_N, (X_{ij})_{1 \leq i \leq n, 0 \leq j \leq n-1}) - X_{n+1k} = 0, & 0 \leq k \leq n-1, \\ A_\alpha(T_1, \dots, T_N) = 0, & 1 \leq \alpha \leq t, \end{cases}$$

where we put $I = (I_{ij})$ and $I_k = I_{n+1k}$. Using the elimination theorem, we eliminate T_{n+1}, \dots, T_N in (5), and so we have

$$(6) \quad H_\alpha(T_1, \dots, T_n, (X_{ij})) = 0, \quad 1 \leq \alpha \leq t'.$$

Put $H_\alpha(T_1, \dots, T_n, (X_{ij})) = H_{\alpha 0}(T_1, \dots, T_{n-1}, (X_{ij})) T_n^{h_\alpha} + \dots + H_{\alpha h_\alpha}(T_1, \dots, T_{n-1}, (X_{ij}))$ for every α . Then there is some $h'_\alpha, 0 \leq h'_\alpha \leq h_\alpha$, such that $T_k \circ f(z)$ and $X_{ij} \circ f(z)$ satisfy the equations

$$(7) \quad H_{\alpha 0}(T_1, \dots, T_{n-1}, (X_{ij})) = \dots = H_{\alpha h_\alpha - h'_\alpha + 1}(T_1, \dots, T_{n-1}, (X_{ij})) = 0$$

for all $z \in f^{-1}(W)$ and that $H_{\alpha h_\alpha - h'_\alpha}(T_1 \circ f(z), \dots, T_{n-1} \circ f(z), (X_{ij} \circ f(z))) \neq 0$. If all $h'_\alpha = 0$, then $\dim_{J_n(f)(z)} I^{-1}(I(J_n(f)(z))) > 0$ for all $z \in f^{-1}(W)$. This is absurd,

so that one $h'_\alpha > 0$. We eliminate T_n in the equations

$$(8) \quad H_{ah_\alpha - h'_\alpha}(T_1, \dots, T_{n-1}, (X_{ij}))T_n^{h'_\alpha} + \dots + H_{ah_\alpha}(T_1, \dots, T_{n-1}, (X_{ij})) = 0$$

for those α with $h'_\alpha > 0$, so that we get

$$(9) \quad G'_\alpha(T_1, \dots, T_{n-1}, (X_{ij})) = 0, \quad 1 \leq \alpha \leq t''.$$

We gather equations (7) and (9) and rewrite them as

$$(10) \quad G_\alpha(T_1, \dots, T_{n-1}, (X_{ij})) = 0, \quad 1 \leq \alpha \leq t'''.$$

We eliminate T_{n-1} in (10) in the same way as above. Continuing this process of elimination, we finally have

$$(11) \quad F_\alpha(T_1, (X_{ij})) = F_{\alpha 0}(X_{ij})T_1^{d_\alpha} + \dots + F_{\alpha d_\alpha}(X_{ij}) = 0, \quad 1 \leq \alpha \leq t''''.$$

By the definition, $F_\alpha(T_1 \circ f(z), (X_{ij} \circ f(z))) \equiv 0$ for all α . Suppose that $F_{\alpha v}(X_{ij} \circ f(z)) \equiv 0$ for all α and v . Take $z \in \mathbf{C}$ so that $f(z) \in W$, dI is regular at $J_n(f)(z)$, every leading coefficient in (8) does not vanish at $(T_1 \circ f(z), \dots, T_{n-1} \circ f(z), (X_{ij} \circ f(z)))$ and the same holds in each step of the above process of elimination. Then for any v in a neighborhood of z , there are $T_2(v), \dots, T_N(v)$ such that

$$I_k(T_1 \circ f(v), T_2(v), \dots, T_N(v), (X_{ij} \circ f(z))) - X_{n+1} \circ f(z) = 0$$

for $k=1, \dots, n$. It follows that the dimension of $I^{-1}(I(J_n(f)(z)))$ at $J_n(f)(z)$ is positive. This is a contradiction. Thus one of $F_{\alpha v}(X_{ij} \circ f(z))$ does not vanish identically. By the construction we have a finite number of polynomials $F_\alpha(T_1, (X_{ij}))$ with the required property.

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