

**SECOND MAIN THEOREM FOR MEROMORPHIC  
MAPPINGS ON  $p$ -PARABOLIC MANIFOLDS  
INTERSECTING HYPERSURFACES IN  
SUBGENERAL POSITION**

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we give an improvement for the second main theorems of algebraically non-degenerate meromorphic maps from generalized  $p$ -parabolic manifolds into projective varieties intersecting hypersurfaces in subgeneral position with some index, which extends the results of Han [6] and Chen-Thin [3].

**1. Introduction**

In 1933, Cartan [2] established a second main theorem for linearly nondegenerate holomorphic curves into complex projective spaces intersecting hyperplanes in general position. Later, Ahlfors [1], using an innovative geometry method, extended Cartan's second main theorem to linearly nondegenerate meromorphic maps on  $\mathbb{C}^m$ . Stoll and Wong [17,18] generalized the above results to algebraically non-degenerate meromorphic maps defined on parabolic manifolds. In 2004, Ru [13], using the filtration of the vector space of homogeneous polynomials, established a defect relation for linearly nondegenerate meromorphic mappings from parabolic manifolds into the projective space intersecting hypersurfaces. Subsequently, Ru [11] obtained a second main theorem of algebraically nondegenerate holomorphic curves into projective varieties, solving the Shiffman's conjecture [15]. Han [6] generalized Ru's results to meromorphic maps from  $p$ -parabolic manifolds into smooth projective varieties intersecting hypersurfaces in general position. The result of Han [6] was generalized by Chen-Thin [3] to the case of intersecting hypersurfaces in subgeneral position.

Recently, Ji-Yan-Yu [7] introduced the concept of the index of subgeneral position, and gave interesting improvements of some previously known second main theorems. Motivated by this new notion, we will prove a second main

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theorem for meromorphic maps from  $p$ -parabolic manifolds into projective varieties intersecting hypersurfaces in subgeneral position with index, which are improvements and extensions of the results in Han [6] and Chen-Thin [3].

To state our result, we give some basic definitions and notations of  $p$ -parabolic manifolds. For more details, we refer the reader to [18, 19].

**Definition.** For  $1 \leq p \leq m$ , a Kahler manifold  $(M, \omega)$  of dimension  $m$  is said to be a generalized  $p$ -parabolic manifold if there exists a plurisubharmonic function  $\phi$  such that

- $\{\phi = -\infty\}$  is a closed subset of  $M$  with strictly lower dimension,
- $\phi$  is smooth on the open dense set  $M \setminus \{\phi = -\infty\}$  satisfying

$$(dd^c \phi)^{p-1} \wedge \omega^{m-p} \not\equiv 0 \quad \text{and} \quad (dd^c \phi)^p \wedge \omega^{m-p} \equiv 0.$$

Note that  $m$ -parabolic manifolds are just ordinary parabolic manifolds. Write  $\tau := e^\phi$  and  $\sigma := d^c \phi \wedge (dd^c \phi)^{p-1} \wedge \omega^{m-p}$ , where  $\tau \geq 0$  is called a  $p$ -parabolic exhaustion on  $M$ . For any positive real number  $r > 0$ , define

$$M[r] := \{x \in M : \tau(x) \leq r^2\}, \quad M(r) := \{x \in M : \tau(x) < r^2\}.$$

Then the pseudo-spheres associated with  $\tau$  are defined as

$$M\langle r \rangle := M[r] \setminus M(r) = \{x \in M : \tau(x) = r^2\}.$$

By [6], we have, for all  $r > 0$ ,

$$\int_{M\langle r \rangle} \sigma = \varsigma,$$

where  $\varsigma$  is a constant depending only on the structure of  $M$ .

We next introduce the notion of associated maps. Let  $f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^n(\mathbb{C})$  be a meromorphic map defined on a complex manifold of dimension  $m$ , and let  $\mathbf{f}_z : U_z \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{n+1}$  be a reduced representation of  $f$  on some a chart  $(z, U_z)$ . If a global meromorphic  $(m-1, 0)$ -form  $B$  is given on  $M$ , we define the first  $B$ -derivative  $f'_B$  of  $\mathbf{f}_z$  on  $U_z$ , by

$$d\mathbf{f}_z \wedge B = f'_B dz_1 \wedge dz_2 \wedge \cdots \wedge dz_m.$$

This operation can be iterated such that the  $k$ -th  $B$ -derivative  $f_B^{(k)}$  is defined as

$$df_B^{(k-1)} \wedge B = f_B^{(k)} dz_1 \wedge dz_2 \wedge \cdots \wedge dz_m$$

for  $k = 1, \dots, n$ . Then the  $k$ -th associated map  $f_k : M \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(\bigwedge^{k+1} \mathbb{C}^{n+1})$  is defined by  $f_k|_{U_z} = \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{f}_k)$  on  $U_z$ , where  $\mathbb{P}$  is the projection. We note that the associated maps are independent of the choice of local charts, and thus are globally well-defined.

With the notions as above, we give some general conditions on  $p$ -parabolic manifolds.

- (1)  $(M, \tau, \omega)$  denotes a  $p$ -parabolic manifold which possesses a globally defined meromorphic form  $B$  of degree  $(m - 1, 0)$ , such that, for any linearly non-degenerate meromorphic map  $f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^n(\mathbb{C})$ , the  $k$ -th associated map  $f_k$  is well defined for  $k = 0, 1, \dots, n$ , where we put  $f_0 := f$  and where  $f_n$  is a constant.
- (2) There exists a Hermitian holomorphic line bundle  $(\mathfrak{L}, \hbar)$  which admits a holomorphic section  $\mu$  such that, for some increasing function  $Y(\tau)$ , we have

$$(-1)^{(m-1)(m-2)/2} m! \left( \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2\pi} \right)^{m-1} |\mu|_{\hbar}^2 B \wedge \bar{B} \leq Y(\tau) (dd^c \tau)^{p-1} \wedge \omega^{m-p}.$$

A  $p$ -parabolic manifold  $(M, \tau, \omega)$  with the above assumptions is called an admissible  $p$ -parabolic manifold.

For  $1 \leq p \leq m$ ,  $A_p$  is the  $p$ -th symmetric polynomial of the matrix  $(\tau_{a\bar{b}})$  with respect to the Kahler metric  $\omega$ . Actually,  $A_1$  is the trace of  $\tau_{a\bar{b}}$ , while  $A_m$  is the determinant  $\det(\tau_{a\bar{b}}) (> 0)$ . We denote

$$m_0(\mathfrak{L}; r, s) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{M\langle r \rangle} \log \frac{1}{|\mu|_{\hbar}^2} \sigma - \frac{1}{2} \int_{M\langle s \rangle} \log \frac{1}{|\mu|_{\hbar}^2} \sigma.$$

Following [7,20], we give a definition for hypersurfaces being in  $N$ -subgeneral position with index  $\kappa$ .

**Definition.** Let  $X \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n(\mathbb{C})$  be an algebraic subvariety, and let  $\{D_1, \dots, D_q\}$  be a family of hypersurfaces in  $\mathbb{P}^n(\mathbb{C})$ . Let  $N$  and  $\kappa$  be two positive integers satisfying  $N \geq \dim X \geq \kappa$ .

- (1) The hypersurfaces  $\{D_1, \dots, D_q\}$  are called in general position in  $X$  if for any subset  $I \subseteq \{1, \dots, q\}$  with  $\#I \leq \dim X + 1$ ,

$$\text{codim} \left( \bigcap_{i \in I} D_i \cap X \right) \geq \#I.$$

- (2) The hypersurfaces  $\{D_1, \dots, D_q\}$  are called in  $N$ -subgeneral position in  $X$  if for any subset  $I \subseteq \{1, \dots, q\}$  with  $\#I \leq N + 1$ ,

$$\dim \left( \bigcap_{i \in I} D_i \cap X \right) \leq N - \#I.$$

- (3) The hypersurfaces  $\{D_1, \dots, D_q\}$  are called in  $N$ -subgeneral position with index  $\kappa$  in  $X$  if  $\{D_1, \dots, D_q\}$  are in  $N$ -subgeneral position and for any subset  $I \subseteq \{1, \dots, q\}$  with  $\#I \leq \kappa$ ,

$$\text{codim} \left( \bigcap_{i \in I} D_i \cap X \right) \geq \#I$$

(Here we set  $\dim \emptyset = -1$ ).

Our main result is the following.

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $f : M \rightarrow X \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n(\mathbb{C})$  be an algebraically nondegenerate meromorphic map defined on an admissible  $p$ -parabolic manifold  $M$ , where  $X$  is a smooth variety of dimension  $\ell \geq 1$ . Let  $\{D_1, \dots, D_q\}$  be a collection of hypersurfaces in  $N$ -subgeneral position with index  $\kappa$  in  $X$ , and  $\deg Q_j = d_j$  ( $j = 1, \dots, q$ ). Then, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $r > s > 0$ , we have<sup>1</sup>*

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \left( q - \frac{N - \ell + \kappa}{\kappa} (\ell + 1) - \varepsilon \right) T_f(r, s) \right. \\ & \leq \sum_{j=1}^q d_j^{-1} N_f^{\mathbf{m}}(r, s; D_j) + c (m_0(\mathfrak{L}; r, s) + \text{Ric}_p(r, s) + \varsigma \log^+ Y(r^2) + \varsigma \log^+ r), \end{aligned}$$

where  $c \gg 1$  is a constant,  $\mathbf{m} \leq \deg X d^\ell e^\ell \left(1 + \frac{u}{\ell}\right)^\ell$  is a positive integer with  $u$  controlled by (16), and  $\text{Ric}_p(r, s)$ ,  $N_{\text{Ram}f}(r, s)$  are the counting functions of  $\text{div } A_p$  and the ramification divisor  $\tilde{\theta}$ , respectively. Whenever  $s$  is fixed, take  $\mathbf{m}$  to be the largest integer less than

$$(\deg X)^{\ell+1} \left[ \frac{ed^{\ell+1}(N - \ell + \kappa)(2\ell + 5)l}{\kappa\varepsilon} \right]^\ell,$$

where  $l = \frac{q!(\ell - \kappa + 1)}{\kappa!(n - \ell + 1)!(q - N - 1)!} + q$ .

Letting  $\mathbf{m} \rightarrow \infty$ , we get the following second main theorem without truncation.

**Corollary 1.2.** *Under the assumptions of Theorem 1.1, we have, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $r > s > 0$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^q d_j^{-1} m_f(r, D_j) \right. & \leq \left( \frac{N - \ell + \kappa}{\kappa} (\ell + 1) + \varepsilon \right) T_f(r, s) \\ & \left. + c (m_0(\mathfrak{L}; r, s) + \text{Ric}_p(r, s) + \varsigma \log^+ Y(r^2) + \varsigma \log^+ r), \right. \end{aligned}$$

where  $c \gg 1$  is a constant.

In this paper, we use the Hilbert weights method to prove a second main theorem with truncated counting functions, which extends the main result in [14] to the case of meromorphic maps from generalized  $p$ -parabolic manifolds into projective varieties. We note that the main theorem in [3] is just a special case of our main result when  $\kappa = 1$ . Next, we introduce a filtration of the vector space corresponding to the coordinate ring of the variety. This filtration is a generalization of Corvaja-Zannier’s filtration [4], given by Dethloff-Tan [5]. By utilizing the algebraic properties of the filtration and properties of Hilbert polynomials, we provide an alternative proof of Corollary 1.2.

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<sup>1</sup>Here, by the notation  $\|$ , we mean that the inequality holds for all  $r \in (s, +\infty)$  outside a possible set of finite Lebesgue measure.

**2. Basic notations and auxiliary results**

In this section, we briefly recall some notations and facts in Nevanlinna theory on generalized  $p$ -parabolic manifolds.

**2.1. Nevanlinna theory**

Green-Jensen formula (on  $p$ -parabolic manifolds) [19], which is the fundamental formula in the theory of value distribution, is defined as follows, for  $r > s > 0$ ,

$$(1) \quad \int_s^r \frac{dt}{t^{2p-1}} \int_{M[t]} dd^c \varphi \wedge (dd^c \tau)^{p-1} \wedge \omega^{m-p} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{M\langle r \rangle} \varphi \sigma - \frac{1}{2} \int_{M\langle s \rangle} \varphi \sigma,$$

where  $\varphi$  is a plurisubharmonic function, and  $dd^c \varphi$  denotes differentiation in the sense of currents.

Let  $D \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n(\mathbb{C})$  be a hypersurface, and let  $Q \in \mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]$  be the homogeneous polynomial of degree  $d$  defining  $D$ . Let  $f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^n(\mathbb{C})$  be a meromorphic map such that  $f(M) \not\subseteq D$ . We choose a reduced representation  $\mathbf{f}_z = (f_0, \dots, f_n) : U_z \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{n+1}$  on a local chart  $U_z \subseteq M$ . Then the Weil function of  $f$  with respect to  $D$  (or  $Q$ ) is locally denoted as, for  $x \notin (Q(\mathbf{f}_z))^{-1}(0)$ ,

$$\lambda_D(\mathbf{f}_z) := \lambda_D(f)|_{U_z} = \log \frac{\|\mathbf{f}_z\|^d \|Q\|}{|Q(\mathbf{f}_z)|},$$

where  $\|Q\|$  is the maximum norm of the coefficients appearing in  $Q$ . Note that  $\lambda_D(f)$  is independent of the reduced representations and hence is global well-defined. Correspondingly, the proximity function  $m_f(r, D)$  is defined as

$$m_f(r, D) = \int_{M\langle r \rangle} \lambda_D(f) \sigma.$$

Without loss of generality, we may assume  $\|Q\| = 1$  in the definition of the Weil function and the proximity function.

Put  $\theta_f^D|_{U_z} := \text{div}(Q(\mathbf{f}_z))|_{U_z}$  on the local chart  $(z, U_z)$ . Given two reduced representations  $\mathbf{f}_\alpha, \mathbf{f}_\beta$  on the overlapping charts  $U_\alpha, U_\beta$  correspondingly, we have  $\mathbf{f}_\alpha = h_{\alpha\beta} \mathbf{f}_\beta$  on  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ , for a non-vanishing holomorphic function  $h_{\alpha\beta}$ , and thus  $\theta_f^D$  is a global well-defined divisor on  $M$ . Then the counting function of  $f$  with respect to  $D$  is defined by

$$N_f(r, s; D) = \int_s^r \frac{dt}{t^{2p-1}} \int_{M[t]} \theta_f^D \wedge (dd^c \tau)^{p-1} \wedge \omega^{m-p}$$

for  $0 < s < r$ . Writing  $\theta_f^D$  as locally finite sums  $\theta_f^D = \sum_{\lambda \in A} k_\lambda v_\lambda$  of irreducible analytic hypersurfaces, the  $\mathbf{m}$ -th truncated divisor is locally defined as  $\theta_f^{\mathbf{m}, D} := \min\{\mathbf{m}, k_\lambda\} v_\lambda$  for some positive integer  $\mathbf{m}$ . Then the counting function with truncated level  $\mathbf{m}$  is defined by

$$N_f^{\mathbf{m}}(r, s; D) = \int_s^r \frac{dt}{t^{2p-1}} \int_{M[t]} \theta_f^{\mathbf{m}, D} \wedge (dd^c \tau)^{p-1} \wedge \omega^{m-p}.$$

Accordingly, for any  $r > s > 0$ , the characteristic function of  $f$  is defined as

$$T_f(r, s) := \int_s^r \frac{dt}{t^{2p-1}} \int_{M[t]} f^* \Omega_{\text{FS}} \wedge (dd^c \tau)^{p-1} \wedge \omega^{m-p},$$

where  $\Omega_{\text{FS}}$  is Fubini-Study form on  $\mathbb{P}^n(\mathbb{C})$ .

Now, the Green-Jensen formula (1) implies:

**Theorem 2.1** (First Main Theorem [6]). *Let  $f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^n(\mathbb{C})$  be a nonconstant meromorphic map defined on a  $p$ -parabolic manifold  $M$ , and let  $D \subset \mathbb{P}^n(\mathbb{C})$  be a hypersurface of degree  $d$  such that  $f(M) \not\subseteq D$ . Then for any  $r > s > 0$ ,*

$$dT_f(r, s) = N_f(r, s; D) + m_f(r, D) - m_f(s, D).$$

**2.2. Some lemmas**

Let  $X \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n$  be a projective variety of dimension  $\ell$ . Set  $V_u = \mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]_u$  and  $\widehat{V}_u = \frac{\mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]_u}{\mathcal{I}(X)_u}$ , where  $\mathcal{I}(X)$  is the ideal of  $\mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]$  defining  $X$  and  $\mathcal{I}(X)_u = \mathcal{I}(X) \cap \mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]_u$ . The Hilbert polynomial  $H_X(u)$  of  $X$  is defined by

$$H_X(u) := \dim(\mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]_u / \mathcal{I}(X)_u).$$

Then for  $u$  big enough, we have

$$H_X(u) = \dim_{\mathbb{C}} \frac{\mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]_u}{\mathcal{I}(X)_u} = \dim_{\mathbb{C}} \widehat{V}_u = \deg V \cdot \frac{u^\ell}{\ell!} + O(u^{\ell-1}),$$

by the theory of Hilbert polynomials (see [16]). The Hilbert Weight  $S_X(u, \mathbf{c})$  of  $X$  with respect to some tuple  $\mathbf{c} = (c_0, \dots, c_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  is defined by

$$S_X(u, \mathbf{c}) = \max \left( \sum_{j=1}^{H_X(u)} \mathbf{a}_j \cdot \mathbf{c} \right),$$

where the maximum is taken over all sets of monomials  $\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{a}_1}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{a}_{H_X(u)}}$  whose residue classes modulo  $\mathcal{I}(X)$  form a basis of  $\mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]_u / (\mathcal{I}(X))_u$ , where  $\mathbf{a}_j = (a_{j0}, \dots, a_{jn}) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{n+1}$  is an  $(n + 1)$ -dimensional multi-index, and  $\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{a}_j} = x_0^{a_{j0}} \dots x_n^{a_{jn}}$ .

**Lemma 2.2** (see [11,12]). *Let  $X \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n$  be an algebraic subvariety of dimension  $\ell$  and degree  $\Delta$ . Let  $u > \Delta$  be an integer,  $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^{n+1}$ , and let  $\{i_0, \dots, i_\ell\}$  be a subset of  $\{0, \dots, n\}$  satisfying  $\{x = [x_0 : \dots : x_n] \in \mathbb{P}^n : x_{i_0} = \dots = x_{i_\ell} = 0\} \cap X = \emptyset$ . Then*

$$\frac{1}{uH_X(u)} S_X(u, \mathbf{c}) \geq \frac{1}{(\ell + 1)} (c_{i_0} + \dots + c_{i_\ell}) - \frac{(2\ell + 1)\Delta}{u} \left( \max_{0 \leq i \leq n} c_i \right).$$

**Lemma 2.3** (see [17]). *Let  $f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^n(\mathbb{C})$  be a linearly nondegenerate meromorphic map defined on a generalized  $p$ -parabolic manifold  $M$ , and let  $\{H_j\}_{j=1}^q$*

be a collection of hyperplanes of  $\mathbb{P}^n(\mathbb{C})$  in general position. We have

$$\sum_{j=1}^q \left( \theta_f^{H_j} - \theta_f^{n, H_j} \right) \leq \tilde{\theta}.$$

**Lemma 2.4** (see [6]). *Let  $f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^n(\mathbb{C})$  be a linearly nondegenerate meromorphic map defined on an admissible  $p$ -parabolic manifold  $M$ . Let  $\{H_j\}_{j=1}^q$  be arbitrary hyperplanes in  $\mathbb{P}^n(\mathbb{C})$ . Then, for  $r > s > 0$ , we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \int_{M(r)} \max_{\mathcal{K}} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{K}} \lambda_{H_j}(f) \sigma \right. \\ & \leq (n+1)T_f(r, s) - N_{\text{Ram } f}(r, s) \\ & \quad + \frac{1}{2}n(n+1)m_0(\mathfrak{L}; r, s) + \frac{1}{2}n(n+1)\text{Ric}_p(r, s) + \frac{1}{2}\varsigma n(n+1)\log^+ T_f(r, s) \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{1}{2}\varsigma n(n+1) \left( \log^+ m_0(\mathfrak{L}; r, s) + \log^+ Y(r^2) + \log^+ \text{Ric}_p(r, s) + \log^+ r \right), \right. \end{aligned}$$

where  $\max_{\mathcal{K}}$  ranges over all subsets  $\mathcal{K}$  of  $\{1, \dots, q\}$  such that the hyperplanes  $\{H_j\}_{j \in \mathcal{K}}$  are linearly independent.

### 3. Second main theorems

#### 3.1. Proof of Theorem 1.1

*Proof.* Firstly, we prove the main theorem for the case where the hypersurfaces have the same degree  $d$ . Let  $Q_i \in \mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]$  be the homogeneous polynomial defining  $D_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq q$ . We choose a reduced representation  $\mathbf{f}$  of  $f$  on an arbitrary local chart  $U \subseteq M$ . For any  $z \in U$  (excluding the zeros of all  $Q_j(\mathbf{f})$  in  $U$ ), there exists a permutation  $I_i = (i_1, \dots, i_q)$  of  $\{1, \dots, q\}$  such that

$$(2) \quad |Q_{i_1} \circ \mathbf{f}(z)| \leq |Q_{i_2} \circ \mathbf{f}(z)| \leq \dots \leq |Q_{i_q} \circ \mathbf{f}(z)|.$$

We consider the following positive function [9]

$$h(z) = \max_{1 \leq t \leq N+1} \left\{ \frac{|Q_{i_t}(z)|}{\|z\|^d} \right\},$$

where  $z = [z_0 : \dots : z_n] \in \mathbb{P}^n(\mathbb{C})$  and  $\|z\| = \left( \sum_{i=0}^n |z_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . We see that  $h$  is a positive continuous function on  $X$ . By the compactness of  $X$ , there exist two positive constants  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ , independence of the choice of  $I_i$ , such that  $c_1 = \min_{z \in X} h(z)$  and  $c_2 = \max_{z \in X} h(z)$ . Then, we have

$$(3) \quad c_1 \|\mathbf{f}\|^d \leq \max_{1 \leq t \leq N+1} |Q_{i_t}(\mathbf{f})| \leq c_2 \|\mathbf{f}\|^d.$$

Therefore (2) and (3) imply that

$$(4) \quad \prod_{j=1}^q \frac{\|\mathbf{f}(z)\|^d}{|Q_j(\mathbf{f})(z)|} \leq \frac{1}{c_1^{q-N}} \prod_{k=1}^N \frac{\|\mathbf{f}(z)\|^d}{|Q_{i_k}(\mathbf{f})(z)|}.$$

Since the hypersurfaces  $\{D_1, \dots, D_q\}$  are located in  $N$ -subgeneral position with index  $\kappa$  in  $X$ , we get

$$\text{codim} \left( \bigcap_{t=1}^{\kappa} D_{i_t} \cap X \right) \geq \kappa.$$

With respect to the hypersurfaces  $\{D_{i_1}, \dots, D_{i_N}\}$ , we can construct  $(\ell - \kappa)$ -homogeneous polynomials of the following forms:

$$(5) \quad P_j = \sum_{t=\kappa+1}^{N-\ell+j} b_{jt} Q_{i_t}, \quad b_{jt} \in \mathbb{C}, \quad j = \kappa + 1, \dots, \ell,$$

such that  $\{D_{i_1}, \dots, D_{i_\kappa}, \tilde{D}_{i_{\kappa+1}}, \dots, \tilde{D}_{i_\ell}\}$  are located in general position on  $X$ , where  $\{\tilde{D}_{i_{\kappa+1}}, \dots, \tilde{D}_{i_\ell}\}$  are defined by the above  $P_j$ 's, respectively. This method of construction is due to Quang [8].

Now, we construct  $P_{\kappa+1}$  as follows. Let  $\Gamma$  be the set of irreducible components of  $(\bigcap_{t=1}^{\kappa} D_{i_t} \cap X)$  with codimension  $\kappa$ . For any  $\Delta \in \Gamma$ , let

$$X_\Delta = \left\{ \mathbf{b} = (b_{\kappa+1}, \dots, b_{N-\ell+\kappa+1}) \in \mathbb{C}^{N-\ell+1} : \Delta \subseteq \tilde{D}, \text{ where} \right. \\ \left. \tilde{D} \text{ is the hypersurface defined by } \tilde{Q} = \sum_{t=\kappa+1}^{N-\ell+\kappa+1} b_t Q_{i_t} \right\}.$$

Observe that  $\tilde{D} = \mathbb{P}^n(\mathbb{C})$  in the case where  $\tilde{Q}$  is the zero polynomial. By definition,  $X_\Delta$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{C}^{N-\ell+1}$ . Since

$$\text{codim} \left( \bigcap_{t=1}^{N-\ell+\kappa+1} D_{i_t} \cap X \right) \geq \kappa + 1,$$

there exists some  $t \in \{\kappa + 1, \dots, N - \ell + \kappa + 1\}$  such that  $\Delta \not\subseteq \tilde{D}_{i_t}$ . This implies that  $X_\Delta$  is a proper subspace of  $\mathbb{C}^{N-\ell+1}$ . In view of the fact that  $\Gamma$  is at most countable, we have

$$\mathbb{C}^{N-\ell+1} \setminus \bigcup_{\Delta \in \Gamma} X_\Delta \neq \emptyset.$$

We denote by  $\tilde{D}_{i_{\kappa+1}}$  the hypersurface defined by  $\tilde{P}_{\kappa+1} = \sum_{t=\kappa+1}^{N-\ell+\kappa+1} b_t Q_{i_t}$ , where  $\mathbf{b} = (b_{\kappa+1}, \dots, b_{N-\ell+\kappa+1}) \in \mathbb{C}^{N-\ell+1} \setminus \bigcup_{\Delta \in \Gamma} V_\Delta$ . This clearly implies that

$$\text{codim} \left( \bigcap_{t=1}^{\kappa} D_{i_t} \cap X \cap \tilde{D}_{i_{\kappa+1}} \right) \geq \kappa + 1.$$



Next, let  $\Gamma'$  be the set of irreducible components of  $\left(\bigcap_{t=1}^{\kappa} D_{i_t} \cap X \cap \tilde{D}_{i_{\kappa+1}}\right)$  with codimension  $\kappa + 1$ . For any  $\Delta' \in \Gamma'$ , put

$$X_{\Delta'} = \left\{ \mathbf{b} = (b_{\kappa+1}, \dots, b_{N-\ell+\kappa+2}) \in \mathbb{C}^{N-\ell+2} : \Delta' \subseteq \tilde{D}, \text{ where} \right. \\ \left. \tilde{D} \text{ is the hypersurface defined by } \tilde{Q} = \sum_{t=\kappa+1}^{N-\ell+\kappa+2} b_t Q_{i_t} \right\}.$$

Similarly,  $\Delta'$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{C}^{N-\ell+2}$ . Since

$$\text{codim} \left( \bigcap_{t=1}^{N-\ell+\kappa+2} D_{i_t} \cap X \right) \geq \kappa + 2,$$

there exists some  $t \in \{\kappa + 1, \dots, N - \ell + \kappa + 2\}$  such that  $X_{\Delta'} \not\subseteq \tilde{D}_{i_t}$ . This implies that  $X_{\Delta}$  is a proper subspace of  $\mathbb{C}^{N-\ell+2}$ . Since  $\Gamma'$  is at most countable,

$$\mathbb{C}^{N-\ell+2} \setminus \bigcup_{\Delta' \in \Gamma'} X_{\Delta'} \neq \emptyset.$$

Denote by  $\tilde{D}_{i_{\kappa+2}}$  the hypersurface defined by  $\tilde{P}_{\kappa+2} = \sum_{t=\kappa+1}^{N-\ell+\kappa+2} b_t Q_{i_t}$ , where  $\mathbf{b} = (b_{\kappa+1}, \dots, b_{N-\ell+\kappa+2}) \in \mathbb{C}^{N-\ell+2} \setminus \bigcup_{\Delta' \in \Gamma'} X_{\Delta'}$ . Obviously,

$$\text{codim} \left( \bigcap_{t=1}^{\kappa} D_{i_t} \cap X \cap \tilde{D}_{i_{\kappa+1}} \cap \tilde{D}_{i_{\kappa+2}} \right) \geq \kappa + 2.$$

Repeating the above argument, the construction is complete. Putting  $\tilde{D}_{i_t} := D_{i_t}$  for  $1 \leq t \leq \kappa$ , then  $\{\tilde{D}_{i_1}, \dots, \tilde{D}_{i_\ell}\}$  are in general position on  $X$ . For any permutation  $(i_1, \dots, i_q)$  of  $\{1, \dots, q\}$ , we can always construct homogeneous polynomials  $\{P_{\kappa+1}, \dots, P_\ell\}$  satisfying (5), correspondingly.

Since there are only finitely choices of  $N$ -polynomials in  $\{Q_1, \dots, Q_q\}$ , we can find a constant  $C > 0$ , independent of  $z$ , such that

$$|P_t(\mathbf{f})(z)| \leq C \max_{\kappa+1 \leq j \leq N-\ell+t} |Q_{i_j}(\mathbf{f})(z)| = C |Q_{i_{N-\ell+t}}(\mathbf{f})(z)|$$

for  $\kappa + 1 \leq t \leq \ell$ , and thus by the definition, we get

$$(6) \quad \lambda_{D_{i_{N-\ell+t}}}(\mathbf{f}(z)) \leq \lambda_{\tilde{D}_{i_t}}(\mathbf{f}(z)) + O(1) \quad \text{for } \kappa + 1 \leq t \leq \ell.$$

Combining the above inequality with (4), we get

$$(7) \quad \sum_{j=1}^q \lambda_{D_j}(\mathbf{f}(z)) \\ \leq \sum_{t=1}^{\kappa} \lambda_{D_{i_t}}(\mathbf{f}(z)) + \sum_{t=\kappa+1}^{N-\ell+\kappa} \lambda_{D_{i_t}}(\mathbf{f}(z)) + \sum_{t=N-\ell+\kappa+1}^N \lambda_{D_{i_t}}(\mathbf{f}(z)) + O(1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \sum_{t=1}^{\kappa} \lambda_{\tilde{D}_{i_t}}(\mathbf{f}(z)) + \sum_{t=\kappa+1}^{N-\ell+\kappa} \lambda_{D_{i_t}}(\mathbf{f}(z)) + \sum_{t=\kappa+1}^{\ell} \lambda_{\tilde{D}_{i_t}}(\mathbf{f}(z)) + O(1) \\ &= \sum_{t=1}^{\ell} \lambda_{\tilde{D}_{i_t}}(\mathbf{f}(z)) + \sum_{t=\kappa+1}^{N-\ell+\kappa} \lambda_{D_{i_t}}(\mathbf{f}(z)) + O(1) \\ &\leq \frac{N-\ell+\kappa}{\kappa} \left( \sum_{t=1}^{\ell} \lambda_{\tilde{D}_{i_t}}(\mathbf{f}(z)) \right) + O(1). \end{aligned}$$

By (5), we can also construct a homogeneous polynomial

$$P_{\ell+1} = \sum_{t=\kappa+1}^{N+1} b_{jt} Q_{i_t},$$

which defines  $\tilde{D}_{i_{\ell+1}}$  such that  $\{\tilde{D}_{i_1}, \dots, \tilde{D}_{i_{\ell+1}}\}$  are in general position on  $X$ . Let  $I$  denote the set of all permutations of  $\{1, \dots, q\}$ , written as  $I = \{I_1, \dots, I_{\#I}\}$ . For each  $I_i := (i_1, \dots, i_q) \in I$ , we use  $P_{i,\kappa+1}, \dots, P_{i,\ell+1}$  to denote the polynomials obtained from the hypersurfaces  $\{D_{i_1}, \dots, D_{i_{N+1}}\}$ . For each  $t \in \{\kappa + 1, \dots, \ell + 1\}$ , the polynomial  $P_{i,t}$  is determined only by  $Q_{i_{\kappa+1}}, \dots, Q_{i_{N-\ell+t}}$ , so we can take a subset  $\hat{I} \subseteq I$  with cardinality  $l = \frac{q!}{\kappa!(N-\ell+1)!(q-N-1)!}$  to construct all possible polynomials of the above form [14]. By renumbering, we may put  $\hat{I} = \{I_1, I_2, \dots, I_l\}$ . Consider the map  $\chi : X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^{k-1}(\mathbb{C})$  defined by

$$\chi(z) =: [Q_1 : \dots : Q_q : P_{1,\kappa+1}(z) : \dots : P_{1,\ell+1}(z) : \dots : P_{l,\kappa+1}(z) : \dots : P_{l,\ell+1}(z)]$$

for  $k = (\ell - \kappa + 1)l + q$ . Set  $Z = \chi(X)$ . Then  $\chi$  is a finite morphism,  $Z$  is an  $\ell$ -dimensional algebraic subvariety of  $\mathbb{P}^{k-1}(\mathbb{C})$ , and  $\Delta := \deg Z \leq d^\ell \deg X$ .

Now, let  $\{\mathbf{f}_\lambda, U_\lambda, \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  be a system of local reduced representations of  $f$ . Given any  $z \notin \cup_{j=1}^q (Q_j(\mathbf{f}_\lambda))^{-1}(0)$ , set

$$\mathbf{c}(z) = (c_{0,1}(z), \dots, c_{0,q}(z), c_{1,\kappa+1}(z), \dots, c_{1,\ell+1}(z), \dots, c_{l,\kappa+1}(z), \dots, c_{l,\ell+1}(z)),$$

in which  $c_{i,t}(z) = \lambda_{D_t}(\mathbf{f}_\lambda(z))$  for  $i = 0, 1 \leq t \leq q$ , and  $c_{i,t}(z) = \lambda_{\tilde{D}_{i_t}}(\mathbf{f}_\lambda(z))$  for  $1 \leq i \leq l, \kappa + 1 \leq t \leq \ell + 1$ . Let  $\mathcal{I}(Z)$  be the ideal in  $\mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_k]$  defining  $Z$ . Put  $\mathcal{I}(Z)_u = \mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_k]_u \cap \mathcal{I}(Z)$  for some positive integer  $u > \Delta$ . Since  $\{\tilde{D}_{i_1}, \dots, \tilde{D}_{i_{\ell+1}}\}$  are in general position with respect to  $X$ , we have, by Lemma 2.2 and (7),

$$(8) \quad p \sum_{j=1}^q \lambda_{D_j}(\mathbf{f}_\lambda(z)) \leq \frac{S_Z(u, \mathbf{c}(z))}{uH_Z(u)} + \frac{(2\ell + 1)\Delta}{u} \max_{i,t} c_{i,t}(z)$$

for  $p = \frac{\kappa}{(N-\ell+\kappa)(\ell+1)}$ . Fix a basis  $\phi_0, \dots, \phi_{n_u}$  for  $\widehat{V}_u$ , where  $\widehat{V}_u = \frac{\mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_k]_u}{\mathcal{I}(Z)_u}$ , and  $n_u = H_Z(u) - 1$ . We consider the map

$$F = [\phi_0(\chi \circ f) : \dots : \phi_{n_u}(\chi \circ f)] : M \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^{n_u}.$$

Set  $\mathbf{F}_\lambda = (F_{0,\lambda}, \dots, F_{n_u,\lambda})$ , where  $F_{j,\lambda} = \phi_j(Q_1(\mathbf{f}_\lambda), \dots, Q_q(\mathbf{f}_\lambda), P_{1,\kappa+1}(\mathbf{f}_\lambda), \dots, P_{1,\ell+1}(\mathbf{f}_\lambda), \dots, P_{l,\kappa+1}(\mathbf{f}_\lambda), \dots, P_{l,\ell+1}(\mathbf{f}_\lambda))$  for  $j = 0, 1, \dots, n_u$ . Note that  $\mathbf{F}_\lambda$  is a reduced representation of  $F$  on  $U_\lambda$ , and  $F$  is linearly nondegenerate.

For  $\mathbf{a}_j = (a_{j1}, \dots, a_{jk}) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^k$ , put  $\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{a}_j} = x_1^{a_{j1}} \dots x_k^{a_{jk}}$ . By the definition of Hilbert weight, there exist monomials  $\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{a}_1}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{a}_{H_Z(u)}}$  (depending on  $z$ ) whose residue classes modulo  $\mathcal{I}(Z)_u$  form a basis of  $\widehat{V}_u$  such that  $\sum_{j=1}^{H_Z(u)} \mathbf{a}_j \cdot \mathbf{c} = S_Z(u, \mathbf{c}(z))$ . For each  $1 \leq j \leq H_Z(u)$ , write  $\mathbf{x}^{\mathbf{a}_j} = L_{j,z}(\phi_0, \dots, \phi_{n_u})$ , where  $L_{j,z}$  are linear forms that are linearly independent for every fixed  $z$ . Note that there are only finitely many choices of  $L_{j,z}$  in total. We get

$$L_{j,z}(\mathbf{F}_\lambda(z)) = \left(Q_1(\mathbf{f}_\lambda)(z)\right)^{a_{j1}} \cdots Q_q\left(\mathbf{f}_\lambda(z)\right)^{a_{jq}} \cdot \left(P_{1,\kappa+1}(\mathbf{f}_\lambda)(z)\right)^{a_{j,\kappa+1}} \cdots P_{l,\ell+1}\left(\mathbf{f}_\lambda(z)\right)^{a_{jk}}.$$

This gives that

$$-\log |L_{j,z}(\mathbf{F}_\lambda(z))| = \mathbf{a}_j \cdot \mathbf{c}(z) - u \log \|\mathbf{f}_\lambda(z)\|^d,$$

and then

$$(9) \quad - \sum_{j=1}^{H_Z(u)} \log |L_{j,z}(\mathbf{F}_\lambda(z))| = S_Z(u, \mathbf{c}(z)) - uH_Z(u) \log \|\mathbf{f}_\lambda(z)\|^d.$$

By (8) and (9), we have

$$(10) \quad p \sum_{j=1}^q \lambda_{D_j}(\mathbf{f}_\lambda(z)) \leq \frac{1}{uH_Z(u)} \sum_{j=1}^{H_Z(u)} \lambda_{L_{j,z}}(\mathbf{F}_\lambda(z)) + \frac{1}{u} \log \frac{\|\mathbf{f}_\lambda(z)\|^{du}}{\|\mathbf{F}_\lambda(z)\|} + \frac{(2\ell + 1)\Delta}{u} \max_{i,t} c_{i,t}(z) + O\left(\frac{1}{u}\right),$$

where  $O\left(\frac{1}{u}\right)$  denotes a bounded term independent of  $z$ . By the definition of  $F$ , we have

$$c_1 \|\mathbf{f}_\lambda(z)\|^{du} \leq \|\mathbf{F}_\lambda(z)\| \leq c_2 \|\mathbf{f}_\lambda(z)\|^{du}$$

for positive constants  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  independent of  $\lambda$ . We derive that

$$p \sum_{j=1}^q \lambda_{D_j}(\mathbf{f}_\lambda(z)) \leq \frac{1}{uH_Z(u)} \sum_{j=1}^{H_Z(u)} \lambda_{L_{j,z}}(\mathbf{F}_\lambda(z)) + \frac{(2\ell + 1)\Delta}{u} \max_{i,t} c_{i,t}(z) + O(1),$$

where the bounded term  $O(1)$  does not depend on  $z$ . Taking integration on both sides of the above inequality, we obtain

$$(11) \quad \left\| p \sum_{j=1}^q m_f(r, D_j) \right\| \leq \frac{1}{uH_Z(u)} \int_{M(r)} \max_{\mathcal{K}} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{K}} \lambda_{L_j}(\mathbf{F}(z)) \sigma + \frac{(2\ell + 1)\Delta}{u} \int_{M(r)} \sum_{i,t} c_{i,t}(z) \sigma + O(1),$$

where  $\max_{\mathcal{K}}$  ranges over all subsets of all possible linear forms  $\{L_{j,z}\}$ . By Lemma 2.4 and by the fact  $T_F(r, s) = du \cdot T_f(r, s) + O(1)$  [6], we have, for any  $\varepsilon' > 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (12) \quad & \|p \sum_{j=1}^q m_f(r, D_j) \\
 & \leq dT_f(r, s) - \frac{N_{\text{RamF}}(r, s)}{uH_Z(u)} + \frac{d\varepsilon'}{H_Z(u)}T_f(r, s) \\
 & \quad + \left( \frac{H_Z(u) - 1}{2u} + \frac{\varepsilon'}{uH_Z(u)} \right) (m_0(\mathfrak{L}; r, s) + Ric_p(r, s) + \kappa \log^+ Y(r^2) + \kappa \log^+(r)) \\
 & \quad + \frac{(2\ell + 1)\Delta}{u} \left[ \sum_{1 \leq j \leq q} m_f(r, D_j) + \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq l \\ \kappa + 1 \leq t \leq \ell + 1}} m_f(r, \tilde{D}_{i_t}) \right] + O(1).
 \end{aligned}$$

We next verify that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (13) \quad & \frac{N_{\text{RamF}}(r, s)}{uH_Z(u)} \\
 & \geq p \sum_{j=1}^q \left[ N_f(r, s; D_j) - N_f^{n_u}(r, s; D_j) \right] \\
 & \quad - \frac{(2\ell + 1)\Delta}{u} \left[ \sum_{1 \leq j \leq q} N_f(r, s; D_j) + \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq l \\ \kappa + 1 \leq t \leq \ell + 1}} N_f(r, s; \tilde{D}_{i_t}) \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

From the assumption of subgeneral position, there are at most  $N$ -hypersurfaces among  $\{D_1, \dots, D_q\}$  passing through  $f(z)$  for any  $z \in \cup_{j=1}^q (Q_j(\mathbf{f}_\lambda))^{-1}(0)$ . Without loss of generality, for fixed  $z$ , we may assume that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{ord}_{E,z}(Q_1(\mathbf{f}_\lambda)) & \geq \dots \geq \text{ord}_{E,z}(Q_s(\mathbf{f}_\lambda)) > 0 = \text{ord}_{E,z}(Q_{s+1}(\mathbf{f}_\lambda)) \\
 & = \dots = \text{ord}_{E,z}(Q_p(\mathbf{f}_\lambda)),
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\text{ord}_{E,z}(Q_j(\mathbf{f}_\lambda))$  is the vanishing order of  $Q_j(\mathbf{f}_\lambda)$  along  $E$  at  $z$  for some fixed irreducible hypersurface  $E$ , and  $s \in \{0, 1, \dots, N\}$ . Denote  $P_{\kappa+1}, \dots, P_{\ell+1}$  the polynomials obtained from  $\{Q_1, \dots, Q_{N+1}\}$ , and then we have

$$\text{ord}_{E,z}(P_t(\mathbf{f}_\lambda)) \geq \text{ord}_{E,z}(Q_{N-\ell+t}(\mathbf{f}_\lambda)), \quad t = \kappa + 1, \dots, \ell + 1.$$

We define

$$\mathbf{c} = (c_{0,1}, \dots, c_{0,q}, c_{1,\kappa+1}, \dots, c_{1,\ell+1}, \dots, c_{t,\kappa+1}, \dots, c_{t,\ell+1}),$$

where  $c_{i,t} = \max\{0, \text{ord}_{E,z}(Q_t(\mathbf{f}_\lambda)) - n_u\}$  for  $i = 0, 1 \leq t \leq q$ , and  $c_{i,t} = \max\{0, \text{ord}_{E,z}(P_{i,t}(\mathbf{f}_\lambda)) - n_u\}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq l, \kappa + 1 \leq t \leq \ell + 1$ . Likewise, take monomials  $\mathbf{x}^{\hat{\mathbf{a}}_1}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{\hat{\mathbf{a}}_{H_Z(u)}}$  whose residue classes modulo  $\mathcal{I}(Z)_u$  form a basis

of  $\widehat{V}_u$  such that

$$\sum_{j=1}^{H_Z(u)} \hat{\mathbf{a}}_j \cdot \mathbf{c} = S_Z(u, \mathbf{c}) \quad \text{for } \hat{\mathbf{a}}_j = (\hat{a}_{j1}, \dots, \hat{a}_{jk}) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^k.$$

Furthermore, there are linear forms  $\{L_j\}_{j=1}^{H_Z(u)}$  such that  $\mathbf{x}^{\hat{\mathbf{a}}_j} = L_j(\phi_0, \dots, \phi_{n_u})$  for every  $1 \leq j \leq H_Z(u)$ . We then have

$$(14) \quad S_Z(u, \mathbf{c}) \leq \sum_{j=1}^{H_Z(u)} \max \{0, \text{ord}_{E,z}(L_j(\mathbf{F}_\lambda)) - n_u\}.$$

On the flip side, by Lemma 2.2 we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{S_Z(u, \mathbf{c})}{uH_Z(u)} &\geq \frac{1}{\ell + 1} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{\kappa} \max \{0, \text{ord}_{E,z}(Q_j(\mathbf{f}_\lambda)) - n_u\} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{t=\kappa+1}^{\ell} \max \{0, \text{ord}_{E,z}(Q_{N-\ell+t}(\mathbf{f}_\lambda)) - n_u\} \right) - \frac{(2\ell + 1)\Delta}{u} \max_{i,t} c_{i,t} \\ &\geq p \left( \sum_{t=1}^N \max \{0, \text{ord}_{E,z}(Q_t(\mathbf{f}_\lambda)) - n_u\} \right) - \frac{(2\ell + 1)\Delta}{u} \max_{i,t} c_{i,t} \\ &= p \left( \sum_{j=1}^q \max \{0, \text{ord}_{E,z}(Q_j(\mathbf{f}_\lambda)) - n_u\} \right) - \frac{(2\ell + 1)\Delta}{u} \max_{i,t} c_{i,t}. \end{aligned}$$

Combining (14), Lemma 2.3 and the above inequality, we get

$$(15) \quad \frac{\tilde{\theta}}{uH_Z(u)} \geq p \sum_{j=1}^q [\theta_f^{D_j} - \theta_f^{n_u, D_j}] - \frac{(2\ell + 1)\Delta}{u} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^q \theta_f^{D_j} + \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq \ell \\ \kappa+1 \leq t \leq \ell+1}} \theta_f^{D_{it}} \right].$$

Integrating both sides of (15), we thus get (13). By (12) and (13) yields

$$\begin{aligned} &\| (pq - 1) T_f(r, s) \\ &\leq \left( \frac{\varepsilon'}{H_Z(u)} + \frac{(2\ell + 1)\Delta k}{u} \right) T_f(r, s) + \left( \frac{H_Z(u) - 1}{2du} + \frac{\varepsilon'}{duH_Z(u)} \right) \\ &\quad \cdot \left( m_0(\mathfrak{L}; r, s) + Ric_p(r, s) + \kappa \log^+ Y(r^2) + \kappa \log^+(r) \right) + \frac{p}{d} \sum_{j=1}^q N_f^{n_u}(r, s; D_j) \\ &\quad + \frac{(2\ell + 1)\Delta}{du} \left[ \sum_{1 \leq j \leq q} m_f(s, D_j) + \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq \ell \\ \kappa+1 \leq t \leq \ell+1}} m_f(s, \tilde{D}_{it}) \right] + O(1). \end{aligned}$$

For any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , we choose  $u$  as the smallest integer such that

$$(16) \quad u > \frac{(2\ell + 1)\Delta k}{p\varepsilon}, \quad \frac{\varepsilon'}{H_Z(u)} + \frac{(2\ell + 1)\Delta k}{u} < p\varepsilon,$$

$$\sum_{1 \leq j \leq q} m_f(s, D_j) + \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq \ell \\ \kappa+1 \leq t \leq \ell+1}} m_f(s, \tilde{D}_{i_t}) < u.$$

Hence

$$(17) \quad \left\| \left( q - \frac{N - \ell + \kappa}{\kappa} (\ell + 1) - \varepsilon \right) T_f(r, s) \right\| \leq \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{1}{d} N_f^{n_u}(r, s; D_j) + c(m_0(\mathfrak{L}; r, s) + \text{Ric}_p(r, s) + \varsigma \log^+ Y(r^2) + \varsigma \log^+ r),$$

where  $c \leq \frac{H_Z(u)-1}{2dpu} + 1$ . For some fixed  $s$ , we can choose  $u$  as the smallest integer satisfying

$$u > \frac{(2\ell + 1)\Delta k}{p\varepsilon}, \quad \frac{\varepsilon'}{H_Z(u)} + \frac{(2\ell + 1)\Delta k}{u} < p\varepsilon$$

such that (17) makes sense. Then we give an explicit estimate for  $n_u$ :

$$\begin{aligned} n_u = H_Z(u) - 1 &\leq \Delta \binom{u + \ell}{\ell} \leq \deg X d^\ell e^\ell \left( 1 + \frac{u}{\ell} \right)^\ell \\ &\leq (\deg X)^{\ell+1} \left[ \frac{ed^{\ell+1}(N - \ell + \kappa)(2\ell + 5)l}{\kappa\varepsilon} \right]^\ell. \end{aligned}$$

If  $\{Q_1, \dots, Q_q\}$  are not of the same degree, then we set  $d := \text{lcm}(d_1, \dots, d_q)$  and apply (17) for the hypersurfaces  $\{D_1, \dots, D_q\}$  defined by  $Q_1^{d/d_1}, \dots, Q_q^{d/d_q}$ , respectively, which yields our result.  $\square$

### 3.2. Another proof of Corollary 1.2

*Proof.* Similarly, we only need to give proofs for the case, where  $\{Q_1, \dots, Q_q\}$  have the same degree  $d$ .

For a positive integer  $L$ , let  $V_L = \mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]_L$  and  $\widehat{V}_L = \frac{\mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]_L}{\mathcal{I}(X)_L}$ , where  $\mathcal{I}(X)$  is the ideal of  $\mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]$  defining  $X$  and  $\mathcal{I}(X)_L = \mathcal{I}(X) \cap \mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]_L$ . Denote  $[\phi]$  the projection of  $\phi$  in  $\widehat{V}_L$ . In what follows, we introduce a filtration of  $\widehat{V}_L$  with respect to  $\{Q_{i_1}, \dots, Q_{i_\kappa}, P_{\kappa+1}, \dots, P_\ell\}$ . For brevity, we put  $P_t := Q_{i_t}$  for  $1 \leq t \leq \kappa$ .

We arrange, in lexicographic order, the  $\ell$ -tuples  $\mathbf{i} = (i_1, \dots, i_\ell)$  of non-negative integers and put  $\|\mathbf{i}\| := \sum_j i_j$ .

**Definition** (see [5, 7, 10]).

- (i) For every  $\mathbf{i} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^\ell$  and non-negative integer  $L$  with  $L \geq d\|\mathbf{i}\|$ , denote by  $I_L^{\mathbf{i}}$  the subspace of  $\mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]_{L-d\|\mathbf{i}\|}$  consisting of all  $r \in \mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]_{L-d\|\mathbf{i}\|}$  such that

$$P_1^{i_1} \dots P_\ell^{i_\ell} r - \sum_{\mathbf{j}=(j_1, \dots, j_\ell) > \mathbf{i}} P_1^{j_1} \dots P_\ell^{j_\ell} r_{\mathbf{j}} \in \mathcal{I}(X)_L$$

$$\text{or } \left[ P_1^{i_1} \cdots P_\ell^{i_\ell} r \right] = \left[ \sum_{\mathbf{j} > \mathbf{i}} P_1^{j_1} \cdots P_\ell^{j_\ell} r_{\mathbf{j}} \right] \text{ on } \widehat{V}_L$$

for some  $r_{\mathbf{j}} \in \mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]_{L-d\|\mathbf{j}\|}$ ;

(ii) Let  $I^{\mathbf{i}}$  denote the homogeneous ideal in  $\mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]$  generated by

$$\bigcup_{L \geq d\|\mathbf{i}\|} I_L^{\mathbf{i}}.$$

*Remark 3.1* (see [5, 7, 10]). From the above definition, we have the following properties.

- (i)  $(\mathcal{I}(X), P_1, \dots, P_\ell)_{L-d\|\mathbf{i}\|} \subseteq I_L^{\mathbf{i}} \subseteq \mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]_{L-d\|\mathbf{i}\|}$ , where  $(\mathcal{I}(X), P_1, \dots, P_\ell)$  is the ideal in  $\mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]$  generated by  $\mathcal{I}(X) \cup \{P_1, \dots, P_\ell\}$ ;
- (ii)  $I^{\mathbf{i}} \cap \mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]_{L-d\|\mathbf{i}\|} = I_L^{\mathbf{i}}$ ;
- (iii) If  $\mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}_2 := (i_{1,1} - i_{2,1}, \dots, i_{1,\ell} - i_{2,\ell}) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^\ell$ , then  $I_L^{\mathbf{i}_2} \subseteq I_{L+d\|\mathbf{i}_1\|-d\|\mathbf{i}_2\|}^{\mathbf{i}_1}$ . Hence  $I^{\mathbf{i}_2} \subseteq I^{\mathbf{i}_1}$ .

Here, we set

$$(18) \quad \Delta_L^{\mathbf{i}} := \dim \frac{\mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]_{L-d\|\mathbf{i}\|}}{I_L^{\mathbf{i}}}.$$

**Lemma 3.2** (see [5, 7, 10]).

- (i)  $\{I^{\mathbf{i}} \mid \mathbf{i} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^\ell\}$  is a finite set.
- (ii) There exists a positive integer  $L_0$  such that, for every  $\mathbf{i} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^\ell$ ,  $\Delta_L^{\mathbf{i}}$  is independent of  $L$  for all  $L$  satisfying  $L - d\|\mathbf{i}\| > L_0$ .
- (iii) For all  $L$  and  $\mathbf{i}$  with  $L - d\|\mathbf{i}\| \geq 0$ ,  $\Delta_L^{\mathbf{i}}$  is bounded.

Subsequently, we construct the filtration of  $V_L$  and  $\widehat{V}_L$  with respect to  $\{P_1, \dots, P_\ell\}$  for a fixed large enough integer  $L$ .

Let  $\tau_L$  denote the set of all  $\mathbf{i} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^\ell$  with  $L - d\|\mathbf{i}\| \geq 0$ , arranged by the lexicographic order. Define the spaces  $W_{\mathbf{i}} = W_{L,\mathbf{i}}$  by

$$W_{\mathbf{i}} = \sum_{\mathbf{j} \geq \mathbf{i}} P_1^{j_1} \cdots P_\ell^{j_\ell} V_{L-d\|\mathbf{j}\|}.$$

Clearly,  $W_{(0,\dots,0)} = V_L$  and  $W_{\mathbf{i}} \supset W_{\mathbf{i}'}$  if  $\mathbf{i}' > \mathbf{i}$ , thus  $\{W_{\mathbf{i}}\}$  is a filtration of  $V_L$ . Set  $\widehat{W}_{\mathbf{i}} = \{[g] \mid g \in W_{\mathbf{i}}\}$ . Hence,  $\{\widehat{W}_{\mathbf{i}}\}$  is a filtration of  $\widehat{V}_L$ .

**Lemma 3.3** (see [5, 7, 10]). *If  $\mathbf{i}'$  follows  $\mathbf{i}$  in lexicographic ordering, then*

$$\frac{\widehat{W}_{\mathbf{i}}}{\widehat{W}_{\mathbf{i}'}} \cong \frac{\mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n]_{L-d\|\mathbf{i}\|}}{I_L^{\mathbf{i}}} = \Delta_L^{\mathbf{i}}.$$

By Lemma 3.2, for every  $\mathbf{i} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^\ell$ , there is an integer  $L_0$ , such that  $\Delta_L^{\mathbf{i}}$  is a constant for all  $L$  satisfying  $L - d\|\mathbf{i}\| > L_0$ . Here, we let  $\Delta^{\mathbf{i}}$  be this constant.

Take  $\Delta_0 := \min_{\mathbf{i} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^\ell} \Delta^{\mathbf{i}}$ . Then  $\Delta_0 = \Delta^{\mathbf{i}_0}$  for some  $\mathbf{i}_0 \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^\ell$ . By (iii) of the remark below Section 3.2, if  $\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{i}_0 \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^\ell$ , then  $\Delta^{\mathbf{i}} \leq \Delta^{\mathbf{i}_0}$ . Set

$$\tau_L^0 := \{ \mathbf{i} \in \tau_L : L - d\|\mathbf{i}\| > L_0 \text{ and } \mathbf{i} - \mathbf{i}_0 \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^\ell \}.$$

Then we have the following lemma.

**Lemma 3.4** (see [5, 7, 10]).

- (i)  $\Delta_0 = \Delta^{\mathbf{i}}$  for all  $\mathbf{i} \in \tau_L^0$ ;
- (ii)  $\#\tau_L^0 = \frac{1}{d^\ell} \frac{L^\ell}{\ell!} + O(L^{\ell-1})$ ;
- (iii)  $\Delta_L^{\mathbf{i}} = \Delta d^\ell$  for all  $\mathbf{i} \in \tau_L^0$ , where  $\Delta = \deg X$ .

Now, for  $L$  big enough, divisible by  $d$ , and for every  $1 \leq j \leq \ell$ ,

$$(19) \quad \sum_{\mathbf{i} \in \tau_L} i_j = \frac{\Delta L^{\ell+1}}{d^{\ell+1}(\ell+1)!} + O(L^\ell).$$

(For a proof see (3.6) in [10].) Then combining (19) with Lemma 3.4, for every  $1 \leq j \leq \ell$ , we have

$$(20) \quad \sum_{\mathbf{i} \in \tau_L} \Delta_L^{\mathbf{i}} i_j = \frac{\Delta L^{\ell+1}}{d(\ell+1)!} + O(L^\ell).$$

Let  $\{U_\lambda, \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  be an open covering of  $M$ , and denote by  $\mathbf{f}_\lambda : U_\lambda \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{n+1}$  a reduced representation of  $f$  on  $U_\lambda$ , correspondingly. Set  $\mathbf{u} := \dim \widehat{V}_L$  and choose a basis  $\mathcal{B} = \{\psi_1, \dots, \psi_{\mathbf{u}}\}$  for  $\widehat{V}_L$  with respect to the filtration. Let  $\psi_s$  be an element of  $\mathcal{B}$ , which lies inside  $\widehat{W}_i \setminus \widehat{W}'_i$ . We thus write  $\psi_s = [P_1^{i_1} \cdots P_\ell^{i_\ell} r]$ , where  $r \in V_{L-d\|\mathbf{i}\|}$ . By the definition of the Weil function and (20), we get

$$(21) \quad \sum_{s=1}^{\mathbf{u}} \lambda_{\psi_s}(\mathbf{f}_\lambda(z)) \geq \left( \frac{\Delta L^{\ell+1}}{d(\ell+1)!} + O(L^\ell) \right) \cdot \sum_{t=1}^{\ell} \lambda_{\bar{D}_{i_t}}(\mathbf{f}_\lambda(z)) + O(1),$$

where  $O(1)$  denotes a bounded term which depends only on the  $\psi_s$ , but not on  $\mathbf{f}_\lambda$  and  $z$ .

We fix a basis  $\{\phi_1, \dots, \phi_{\mathbf{u}}\}$  for  $\widehat{V}_L$ , and let  $\mathbf{F}_\lambda = (\phi_1(\mathbf{f}_\lambda), \dots, \phi_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{f}_\lambda))$ . Then  $\mathbf{F} = \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{F}_\lambda)$  is independent of choices of  $\lambda$ . Therefore, we can define a meromorphic map  $\mathbf{F} : M \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^{\mathbf{u}-1}(\mathbb{C})$ . Write the basis  $\mathcal{B}$  as linear forms  $L_1, \dots, L_{\mathbf{u}}$  in  $\phi_1, \dots, \phi_{\mathbf{u}}$  satisfying  $\psi_s(\mathbf{f}_\lambda) = L_s(\mathbf{F}_\lambda)$ ,  $s = 1, \dots, \mathbf{u}$ . By the definition of  $\mathbf{F}$ , there exist positive constants  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ , independent of  $\lambda$ , such that

$$c_1 \|\mathbf{f}_\lambda(z)\|^L \leq \|\mathbf{F}_\lambda(z)\| \leq c_2 \|\mathbf{f}_\lambda(z)\|^L.$$

Combining the above inequality with (21), we obtain

$$(22) \quad \sum_{s=1}^{\mathbf{u}} \lambda_{L_s}(\mathbf{F}_\lambda(z)) \geq \left( \frac{\Delta L^{\ell+1}}{d(\ell+1)!} + O(L^\ell) \right) \cdot \sum_{t=1}^{\ell} \lambda_{\bar{D}_{i_t}}(\mathbf{f}_\lambda(z)) + O(1).$$

The linear forms  $L_1, \dots, L_{\mathbf{u}}$  are linearly independent, and we have, by the assumption of algebraic non-degeneracy of  $\mathbf{f}$ , that  $\mathbf{F} : M \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^{\mathbf{u}-1}(\mathbb{C})$  is linearly



nondegenerate. Since there are only finitely many choices of  $N$ -polynomials in  $\{Q_1, \dots, Q_q\}$ , then the collection of all possible linear forms  $L_s$  ( $1 \leq s \leq u$ ) is a finite set. For simplicity, we denote it by  $\mathcal{L} := \{L_j\}_{j=1}^\Lambda$ ,  $\Lambda < \infty$ .

Hence, by (7) and (22), taking integration on the pseudo-sphere of radius  $r$ , we have

$$(23) \quad \left( \frac{\Delta L^{\ell+1}}{d(\ell+1)!} + O(L^\ell) \right) \cdot \sum_{j=1}^q m_f(r, D_j) \leq \frac{N-\ell+\kappa}{\kappa} \int_{M(r)} \max_{\mathcal{K}} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{K}} \lambda_{L_j}(\mathbf{F}(z)) \sigma + O(1),$$

where the maximum is taken over all subsets  $\mathcal{K} \subseteq \{1, \dots, \Lambda\}$  with  $\#\mathcal{K} = u$  such that  $\{L_j\}_{j \in \mathcal{K}}$  are linearly independent. Since  $N_{\text{RamF}}(r, s) \geq 0$ , Lemma 2.4 yields that, for  $r > s > 0$ , and any  $\varepsilon' > 0$  (which will be chosen later),

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \int_{M(r)} \max_{\mathcal{K}} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{K}} \lambda_{L_j}(\mathbf{F}(z)) \sigma \right. \\ & \leq (u + \varepsilon') T_F(r, s) \\ & \quad \left. + \left( \frac{u(u-1)}{2} + \varepsilon' \right) (m_0(\mathfrak{L}; r, s) + \text{Ric}_p(r, s) + \varsigma \log^+ Y(r^2) + \varsigma \log^+(r)) + O(1). \right. \end{aligned}$$

Combining the above inequality with (23), we have

$$(24) \quad \left\| \left( \frac{\Delta L^{\ell+1}}{d(\ell+1)!} + O(L^\ell) \right) \cdot \sum_{j=1}^q m_f(r, D_j) \right. \\ \leq \frac{N-\ell+\kappa}{\kappa} \left\{ (u + \varepsilon') T_F(r, s) \right. \\ \left. + \left( \frac{u^2-u}{2} + \varepsilon' \right) (m_0(\mathfrak{L}; r, s) + \text{Ric}_p(r, s) + \varsigma \log^+ Y(r^2) + \varsigma \log^+(r)) \right\} + O(1).$$

Now, we encounter a comparison between  $T_F(r, s)$  and  $T_f(r, s)$ . By [6], we get

$$T_F(r, s) = L \cdot T_f(r, s) + O(1).$$

Since we have, for  $L$  big enough

$$u = H_X(L) = \Delta \frac{L^\ell}{\ell!} + O(L^{\ell-1}),$$

(24) gives that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \sum_{j=1}^q m_f(r, D_j) \right. \\ & \leq \frac{N-\ell+\kappa}{\kappa} \left[ \frac{d(\ell+1)!}{\Delta L^\ell (1+o(1))} (u + \varepsilon') T_f(r, s) \right. \end{aligned}$$

$$+ C_L \left( m_0(\mathfrak{L}; r, s) + \text{Ric}_p(r, s) + \varsigma \log^+ Y(r^2) + \varsigma \log^+(r) \right) \Big],$$

where

$$C_L := \Delta \frac{\ell + 1}{2\ell!} L^{\ell-1} + O(L^{\ell-2})$$

is a constant dependent on  $L$ . For  $L$  large enough, we may suppose

$$\frac{d(\ell + 1)!(u + \varepsilon')}{\Delta L^\ell (1 + o(1))} \leq d(\ell + 1) + \varepsilon.$$

Hence, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (25) \quad & \left\| \sum_{j=1}^q m_f(r, D_j) \right\| \\ & \leq \frac{N - \ell + \kappa}{\kappa} (d(\ell + 1) + \varepsilon) T_f(r, s) \\ & \quad + C_L (m_0(\mathfrak{L}; r, s) + \text{Ric}_p(r, s) + \varsigma \log^+ Y(r^2) + \varsigma \log^+(r)). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, this completes the proof.  $\square$

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