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## EFFECTIVE CALCULATION OF THE DEGREE OF \*-COVERING

#### Summary

Let  $f: \mathbb{C}^n \to \mathbb{C}^m$ ,  $m \ge n$  be a proper polynomial mapping such that  $f^{-1}(0) = \{0\}$ . Then the mapping  $f: \mathbb{C}^n \to f(\mathbb{C}^n)$  is a \*-covering (in the sense of [7]). In this paper we give an effective method of calculating the degree of this covering.

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### 1. Introduction

R. Draper in [4] defined the multiplicity for proper intersection of analytic sets. Next, in the case of isolated intersection, R. Achilles, P. Tworzewski, T. Winiarski in [1] generalized this definition to improper intersection case. The above multiplicity leads to the definition of multiplicity  $i_0(f)$  of a holomorphic mapping at a zero of this mapping (see [14]).

Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}^n$  be a neighbourhood of the point  $0 \in \mathbb{C}^n$  and let  $f : \Omega \to \mathbb{C}^m$ , where  $m \ge n$ , be a holomorphic mapping such that 0 is an isolated point of the fiber  $f^{-1}(0)$ .

S. Spodzieja in [12] (see also [3], [13]) proved the following result which shows the connections between the multiplicity  $i_0(f)$  and the degree of a \*-covering (in the sense of [7]), inducted by f in a neighbourhood of 0.

**Theorem 1.** [12, Theorem 1.2] There exists a neighbourhood  $U \subset \Omega$  of the point 0 such that  $f^{-1}(0) \cap U = \{0\}, f|_U : U \to f(U)$  is \*-covering and

(1) 
$$i_0(f) = d(f|_U) \cdot \deg_0 f(U),$$

where  $d(f|_U)$  is the degree of the \*-covering  $f|_U$  and  $\deg_0 f(U)$  is the degree of an analytic set  $f(U) \subset \mathbb{C}^m$  at  $0 \in \mathbb{C}^n$ .

In the paper we will give an effective method to calculate the degree of the \*-covering  $f: \mathbb{C}^n \to f(\mathbb{C}^n)$ , provided f is a polynomial mapping. Theorem 1 will be the crucial tool in this calculations.

Let  $f : \mathbb{C}^n \to \mathbb{C}^m$ ,  $m \ge n$  be a proper polynomial mapping such that  $f^{-1}(0) = \{0\}$ . Denote by  $\mathbb{L}(n,m)$  the set of all linear mappings  $\mathbb{C}^n \to \mathbb{C}^m$ .

We will effectively specify an open set  $\hat{U} \subset \mathbb{L}(m,n)$  such that for any  $p \in \hat{U}$ the mapping  $\pi \circ (F^*, p) \colon \mathbb{C}^m \to \mathbb{C}^m$  is proper and  $i_0(F^*, p) = m_0(\pi \circ (F^*, p))$  for the generic  $\pi \in \mathbb{L}(s+n,m)$ , where  $F^* \colon \mathbb{C}^m \to \mathbb{C}^s$  is polynomial mapping such that  $C_0(f(\mathbb{C}^n)) = (F^*)^{-1}(0)$ , and  $C_0(f(\mathbb{C}^n))$  is the tangent cone to  $f(\mathbb{C}^n)$  at 0 in the sense of [15]. Next, fixing  $p \in \hat{U}$ , we describe a set  $\mathcal{U} \subset \mathbb{L}(n,1)$  of linear functions such that for any  $l \in \mathcal{U}$  the function l is injective on the generic fiber of the mapping  $p \circ f$ . The main result of this paper is the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.** Fix any  $p \in \hat{U}$ . There exist effectively computable: linear function  $l \in \mathcal{U}$ , non-zero irreducible polynomial of the form  $P_{p,l}(y,t) = \sum_{j=0}^{k} P_{p,l,j}(y)t^{j}$  which vanishes on the image of the mapping  $(H_p, l) \colon \mathbb{C}^n \to \mathbb{C}^{n+1}$ , where  $H_p(x) = (p \circ f)(x) + (x_1^{d^{n+1}}, \dots, x_n^{d^{n+1}}), d = \deg f$  and non-zero irreducible polynomial  $P_p^*(\pi, N, w, t) = \sum_{i=0}^{l} P_{p,i}^*(\pi, N, w)t^i$  which vanishes on the image of the mapping  $\Phi_p^* \colon \mathbb{L}(s + n, m) \times \mathbb{L}(m, 1) \times \mathbb{C}^m \to \mathbb{L}(s + n, m) \times \mathbb{L}(m, 1) \times \mathbb{C}^{m+1}$  of the form  $\Phi_p^*(\pi, N, y) = (\pi, N, H_{p,\pi}^*(y), N(y)), H_{p,\pi}^*(y) = (\pi \circ (F^*, p))(y) + (y_1^{d^*m+1}, \dots, y_m^{d^*m+1}), d^* = \deg F^*$  such that

(2) 
$$d(f) = \frac{\min\{j \in \{1, \dots, k\} : \operatorname{ord}_y P_{p,l,j} = 0\}}{\min\{i \in \{1, \dots, l\} : \operatorname{ord}_w P_{p,i}^* = 0\}}.$$

In the paper [10], there was presented a similar result concerning the calculation of the polynomial  $P_{p,l}(y,t)$ , not for fixed mappings p and l but for the linear mapping with variable coefficients. From the computational point of view, increasing the number of variables made the algorithm slower. The characterizations of the sets Uand  $\mathcal{U}^*$  are intended to make the algorithm faster.

#### 2. The Jelonek set of polynomial mapping

Let X and Y be locally compact topological spaces. The mapping  $f: X \to Y$  is said to be *proper* if for any compact set  $K \subset Y$  the set  $f^{-1}(K)$  is a compact subset of X. We say that the mapping  $f: X \to Y$  is *proper at point*  $y \in Y$  if there exists an open neighbourhood D of y such that

$$f|_{f^{-1}(D)}: f^{-1}(D) \to D$$

is a proper mapping.

**Proposition 3.** [6, Remark 5.2] Let X and Y be locally compact spaces. Then the mapping f is proper if and only if it is proper at every point  $y \in Y$ .

The set of all points at which the mapping f is not proper is called the set of non-properness of mapping f (or the Jelonek set of f) and is denoted by  $S_f$ .

Let  $f : \mathbb{C}^n \to \mathbb{C}^n$  be a polynomial mapping. The mapping f is said to be *dominant* if  $\overline{f(\mathbb{C}^n)} = \mathbb{C}^n$ .

The mapping f is said to be *finite* if it is proper and all its fibers are finite. The following Proposition is well known.

**Proposition 4.** Let  $f : \mathbb{C}^n \to \mathbb{C}^n$  be a proper polynomial mapping. Then f is finite and surjective (hence dominant).

Let us recall, after [6], the effective construction of the Jelonek set.

Let  $f: \mathbb{C}^n \to \mathbb{C}^n$  be a dominant mapping such that f(0) = 0. Define mapping  $\Phi_j: \mathbb{C}^n \to \mathbb{C}^{n+1}$  by

$$\Phi_j(x) = (f(x), x_j),$$

for any j = 1, ..., n, where  $x = (x_1, ..., x_n)$ . Since mapping f is dominant, hence  $\overline{\Phi_j(\mathbb{C}^n)}$  is an algebraic set in  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1}$  of dimension n, i.e. it is a hypersurface. There exists a polynomial  $P_j \in \mathbb{C}[y, t], y = (y_1, ..., y_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n, t \in \mathbb{C}$ , irreducible and of minimal degree of the form

(3) 
$$P_j(y,t) = P_{j,0}(y)t^{d_j} + ... + P_{j,d_j}(y), \quad P_{j,0} \neq 0, \quad j = 1, ..., n$$
  
such that  $\overline{\Phi_j(\mathbb{C}^n)} = P_j^{-1}(0)$ . We have

Lemma 5. [6, Proposition 7]

$$S_f = \{y \in \mathbb{C}^n : \prod_{j=1}^n P_{j,0}(y) = 0\}$$

## 3. Effective Primitive Element Theorem

Now, we will give the effective method of finding the set of linear functions which separate points of fibers of polynomial mappings.

Let  $f : \mathbb{C}^n \to \mathbb{C}^n$ , f(0) = 0, be a proper polynomial mapping (i.e.  $S_f = \emptyset$ ).

Let  $l \in \mathbb{L}(n, 1)$  be a linear function of the form  $l(x) = a_1x_1 + \ldots + a_nx_n$ , where  $x = (x_1, \ldots, x_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n$ , and  $a = (a_1, \ldots, a_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n$ . Define mapping

$$F: \mathbb{L}(n,1) \times \mathbb{C}^n \to \mathbb{L}(n,1) \times \mathbb{C}^n \times \mathbb{C}$$

by

$$F(l, x) = (l, f(x), l(x)).$$

Obviously the mapping F is proper. Then by the Chevalley Theorem  $F(\mathbb{L}(n, 1) \times \mathbb{C}^n)$  is an algebraic irreducible set of dimension 2n.

Therefore there exists an irreducible polynomial  $P \in \mathbb{C}[l, y, t], y \in \mathbb{C}^n, t \in \mathbb{C}$  of the form

$$P(l, y, t) = \sum_{j=0}^{d} P_j(l, y) t^j$$

such that  $P_d \neq 0$  and  $F(\mathbb{L}(n,1) \times \mathbb{C}^n) = P^{-1}(0)$ .

The polynomial P, which vanishes exactly on the image of the polynomial map F, could be effectively computed by means of Gröbner bases.

Denote by  $\Delta$  the discriminant of P i.e.

$$\Delta(l,y) = \operatorname{Res}_t\left(P,\frac{\partial P}{\partial t}\right)(l,y), \quad \text{for any} \quad (l,y) \in \mathbb{L}(n,1) \times \mathbb{C}^n.$$

Put

$$\mathcal{W} = \{ (l, y) \in \mathbb{L}(n, 1) \times \mathbb{C}^n : \Delta(l, y) = 0 \}.$$

and

$$\mathcal{V} = \{l \in \mathbb{L}(n,1) : \Delta(l,y) = 0 \text{ for any } y \in \mathbb{C}^n\}.$$

Put now

$$\mathcal{U} = \mathbb{L}(n,1) \setminus \mathcal{V}.$$

For any fixed  $l \in \mathcal{U}$  denote  $\Delta_l(y) = \Delta(l, y)$ , and  $V_l = \{y \in \mathbb{C}^n : \Delta_l(y) = 0\}$ . We have

**Proposition 6.** For any  $l \in U$  there exists  $y \in \mathbb{C}^n \setminus V_l$  such that the restriction

$$l|_{f^{-1}(y)}: f^{-1}(y) \to \mathbb{C}$$

is injective.

*Proof.* Let us fix arbitrary  $l \in \mathcal{U}$ . Then there exists  $y \in \mathbb{C}^n$  such that  $\Delta_{l,y} := \Delta_l(y) \neq 0$ . Thus, for this y, the polynomial

$$P_{l,y}(t) = P(l, y, t) \in \mathbb{C}[t]$$

has no double roots. Let  $t_1, ..., t_d$  be all roots of  $P_{l,y}$ . Then

$$P_{l,y}(t) = P_{l,y,0} \cdot \prod_{j=1}^{d} (t - t_j),$$

where  $P_{l,y,0} \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  and

(4) 
$$0 \neq \Delta_{l,y} = \operatorname{Res}(P_{l,y}, P'_{l,y}) = P_{l,y,0}^{2d-2} \cdot \prod_{i < j} (t_i - t_j)^2.$$

Since f is proper and polynomial mapping, then by Proposition 4 there exist a finite set  $\{x^1, ..., x^k\} \subset \mathbb{C}^n \setminus f^{-1}(V_l), x^i \neq x^j$ , such that  $f^{-1}(y) = \{x^1, ..., x^k\}$ .

Hence, for any  $x^i \in f^{-1}(y)$  we have

$$0 = P_l(f(x^i), l(x^i)) = P_l(y, l(x^i)) = P_{l,y}(l(x^i)).$$

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Therefore  $t_i = l(x^i)$ , for i = 1, ..., k (after an eventual permutation). Since all  $t_j$  are different, therefore k = d, and by (4), we have

$$P_{l,y,0}^{2d-2} \cdot \prod_{i < j} (l(x^i) - l(x^j))^2 \neq 0.$$

This ends the proof.

As an immediate consequence of Proposition 6, we get

**Corrolary 7.** For any  $l \in U$ , putting  $t = l(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$ , we have that t is the primitive element of the extension  $\mathbb{C}(f_1, \ldots, f_n) \subset \mathbb{C}(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$  i.e.

$$\mathbb{C}(x_1,\ldots,x_n) = \mathbb{C}(f_1,\ldots,f_n)(t)$$

## 4. Index of overdetermined mapping

Let us recall (see [7]) the definition of the multiplicity of a holomorphic mapping.

Let M and N be complex manifolds of the same dimension n > 0, and let  $f: M \to N$  be a holomorphic mapping. Let  $a \in M$  be an isolated point of its fiber  $f^{-1}(f(a))$ . We define the *multiplicity of the mapping f at the point a* by

$$m_a(f) = \sup\{\#(f|_U)^{-1}(y) : y \in D\},\$$

where U and D are sufficiently small neighbourhoods of the points a and f(a), respectively.

Let us recall [2] (see also [4]) the definition of the multiplicity of the proper, isolated intersection of the analytic sets.

Let  $X_1, \ldots, X_k$  be analytic sets in a domain  $D \in \mathbb{C}^n$  of pure dimensions  $p_1, \ldots, p_k$ , respectively. Assume that

$$0 = \dim \bigcap_{j=1}^{k} X_j = \sum_{j=1}^{k} p_j - (k-1)n,$$

i.e. the intersection  $\bigcap_{j=1}^{k} X_j$  is proper and isolated. Denote by

$$\Delta = \{ (x^1, \dots, x^{kn}) \in \mathbb{C}^{kn} : x^1 = \dots = x^{kn} \}$$

the diagonal set in  $\mathbb{C}^{kn}$ .

If  $a \in \mathbb{C}^n$  is an isolated point of  $\bigcap_{j=1}^k X_j$ , then  $(a)^k := (a, \ldots, a) \in \mathbb{C}^{kn}$  is the isolated point of  $(X_1 \times \ldots \times X_k) \cap \Delta$ . Hence the projection

$$\pi_{\Delta}|_{X_1 \times \ldots \times X_k} : X_1 \times \ldots \times X_k \to \Delta^{\perp} \subset \mathbb{C}^{kn}$$

along  $\Delta$  is an analytic cover in some neighbourhood of  $(a)^k$ .

The multiplicity

$$\mu_{(a)^k}(\pi_\Delta|_{X_1 \times \ldots \times X_k})$$

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of the projection  $\pi_{\Delta}|_{X_1 \times \ldots \times X_k}$  at the point  $(a)^k \in \mathbb{C}^{kn}$  is called the *intersection* multiplicity or intersection index of the sets  $X_1, \ldots, X_k$  at a point  $a \in \bigcap_{j=1}^k X_j$  and we denoted it by  $i(X_1 \cdot \ldots \cdot X_k; a)$ . For  $a \in D \setminus \bigcap_{j=1}^k X_j$  we put  $i(X_1 \cdot \ldots \cdot X_k; a) = 0$ .

Recall after [1] some fact concerning the improper intersection of the analytic sets.

Let X be a pure k-dimensional analytic subset of a complex manifold M of dimension m. Let N be a submanifold of M of dimension n such that N intersects X at an isolated point  $a \in M$ . We denote by  $\mathcal{F}_a(X, N)$  the set of all locally analytic subsets V of M satisfying the following conditions:

(i) V has pure dimension m - k,

- (ii)  $N_a \subset V_a$ , where  $N_a$ ,  $V_a$  denote the germs at a of N and V, respectively,
- (iii) a is an isolated point of  $V \cap X$ .

We define the multiplicity of improper isolated intersection the analytic set X with submanifold N at the point a by

$$\tilde{i}(X \cdot N; a) = \min\{i(X \cdot V; a) : V \in \mathcal{F}_a(X, N)\}.$$

By index of a holomorphic mapping  $f: D \to \mathbb{C}^m$  at 0, where  $D \subset \mathbb{C}^n$  is a neighbourhood of 0 such that 0 is an isolated zero of f, we mean the multiplicity

$$\tilde{i}(\Gamma_f \cdot (\mathbb{C}^n \times \{0\}), (0, 0))$$

of improper intersection of the graph  $\Gamma_f$  (i.e  $\Gamma_f = \{(x, f(x)) : x \in D\}$ ) of f and the set  $\mathbb{C}^n \times \{0\} \subset \mathbb{C}^n \times \mathbb{C}^m$  at the point  $(0, 0) \in \mathbb{C}^n \times \mathbb{C}^m$  and denote it by  $i_0(f)$ .

Let  $D \subset \mathbb{C}^n$  be an open neighbourhood of the point  $0 \in \mathbb{C}^n$  and let  $f : D \to \mathbb{C}^m$  be a holomorphic mapping such that f(0) = 0 and 0 is an isolated point of the set  $f^{-1}(0)$ .

**Theorem 8.** [12, Theorem 1.1] For any  $p \in \mathbb{L}(m, n)$  such that the point 0 is an isolated zero of  $p \circ f$  we have

$$i_0(f) \le m_0(p \circ f).$$

Moreover, for the generic  $p \in \mathbb{L}(m, n)$ , the point 0 is an isolated zero of  $p \circ f$  and (5)  $i_0(f) = m_0(p \circ f).$ 

Let  $f : \mathbb{C}^n \to \mathbb{C}^m$ ,  $m \ge n$  be a polynomial mapping such that 0 is an isolated point of the set  $f^{-1}(0)$  and f(0) = 0. Then there exists a neighbourhood U of the point 0 such that  $f(U) \ge 0$  is an algebraic set in  $\mathbb{C}^m$  of the pure dimension n. Let  $f|_U : U \to f(U)$ . Put

(6) 
$$\tilde{\mathcal{U}} = \{ p \in \mathbb{L}(m, n) : i_0(f) = m_0(p \circ f) \}$$

and

(7) 
$$\mathcal{U}' = \{ p \in \mathbb{L}(m, n) : C_0(f(U)) \cap \ker p = \{ 0 \} \}$$

where  $C_0(f(U))$  is a tangent cone of f(U) at the point 0 (in the sense of [15]).

We have the following

Proposition 9. [11, Theorem 2.2]  
(8) 
$$\mathcal{U}' \subset \tilde{\mathcal{U}}.$$

The set  $\mathcal{U}'$  can be effectively calculated (see [11] or Proposition 11).

## 5. Local degree of algebraic set

Let X be a pure s-dimensional analytic set in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  and  $a \in X$ . Denote by G(n-s,n) the set of all (n-s)-dimensional linear subspaces of  $\mathbb{C}^n$ . Let  $L \in G(n-s,n)$  be such that a is an isolated point of the set  $X \cap (a+L)$ . It is well known, that there exists a neighbourhood  $U \subset \mathbb{C}^n$  of the point a such that  $X \cap U \cap (a+L) = \{a\}$ , and such that the projection

$$\pi_L: X \cap U \to U' \subset L^\perp$$

along L is a k-sheeted analytic cover, for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $L^{\perp}$  is subspace of  $\mathbb{C}^n$  orthogonal to  $L \subset \mathbb{C}^n$ . This number k is called the *multiplicity of the projection*  $\pi_L | X$  at the point a, and is denoted by  $\mu_a(\pi_L | X)$ .

We put  $\mu_a(\pi_L|X) = +\infty$  if there exists  $b \in U'$  such that  $a \in (\pi_L)^{-1}(b)$  and  $\dim(\pi_L)^{-1}(b) > 0$ .

We put  $\mu_a(\pi_L|X) = 0$  if  $a \notin X$ .

Denote by  $\mathcal{G}(n-s,n)$  the set of all linear subspaces  $L \in G(n-s,n)$ ,  $L \ni 0$  such that a is an isolated point of the set  $X \cap (a+L)$ . Then for every  $L \in \mathcal{G}(n-s,n)$  the multiplicity of the projection,  $\mu_a(\pi_L|X)$ , is finite. The number

$$\min\{\mu_a(\pi_L|X): L \in \mathcal{G}(n-s,n)\}\$$

is said to be the *local degree of* X at the point a and is denoted by  $\deg_a(X)$ .

**Proposition 10.** [2, Proposition 11.2] Let X be a pure s-dimensional analytic set in a neighbourhood of 0 in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ ,  $0 \in X$ , and let  $L \in G(n - s, n)$ . Then

 $\mu_0(\pi_L|X) = \deg_0(X) \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad L \cap C_0(X) = \{0\},$ 

where  $C_0(X)$  is a tangent cone of X at the point 0 (in the sense of [15]).

## 6. Effective calculations of local degree

Now, we will present the effective procedure of calculation of the local degree of an algebraic set.

Let  $F = (f_1, ..., f_n) : \mathbb{C}^m \to \mathbb{C}^n$ , be a polynomial mapping such that F(0) = 0. Assume that dim  $F^{-1}(0) = k, 0 < k < m$ . Let  $I \subset \mathbb{C}[x_1, \ldots, x_m]$  be the ideal generated by F i.e.  $I = \langle f_1, \ldots, f_n \rangle$  and let  $B = \left\{ \tilde{f}_1, \ldots, \tilde{f}_s \right\}$  be the standard base of I. Then, by [5, Lemma 5.5.11]

$$\operatorname{in} I = \left\langle \operatorname{in} \tilde{f}_1, \dots, \operatorname{in} \tilde{f}_s \right\rangle$$

where in  $\tilde{f}_j$  denotes the initial form of  $\tilde{f}_j$ , for  $j = 1, \ldots, s$ . Put

 $F^* = (\operatorname{in} \tilde{f}_1, \dots, \operatorname{in} \tilde{f}_s) \colon \mathbb{C}^m \to \mathbb{C}^s.$ 

Then, by [15, Theorem 10.6] we have

$$C_0(F^{-1}(0)) = (F^*)^{-1}(0),$$

and by [15, Lemma 8.11] we get that

$$\dim(F^*)^{-1}(0) = \dim F^{-1}(0) = k$$

Define mapping

$$\tilde{F}^*: \mathbb{C}^m \times \mathbb{L}(m,k) \to \mathbb{C}^{s+k} \times \mathbb{L}(m,k)$$

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$$\tilde{F}^{*}(x,p) = (F^{*}(x), p(x), p)$$

Observe that for the generic  $p \in \mathbb{L}(m,k)$ , denoting  $\tilde{F}_p^*(x) = \tilde{F}^*(x,p)$ , we have

$$\dim(\tilde{F}_{p}^{*})^{-1}(0) = 0$$

Hence  $s + k \ge m$ . Next, define

$$F': \mathbb{C}^m \times \mathbb{L}(m,k) \times \mathbb{L}(s+k,m) \to \mathbb{C}^m \times \mathbb{L}(m,k) \times \mathbb{L}(s+k,m)$$

by

$$F'(x, p, \pi) = (\pi \circ \tilde{F}^*(x, p), \pi)$$

and mapping

$$\tilde{\Phi}_j \colon \mathbb{C}^m \times \mathbb{L}(m,k) \times \mathbb{L}(s+k,m) \to \mathbb{C}^m \times \mathbb{L}(m,k) \times \mathbb{L}(s+k,m) \times \mathbb{C}^m$$

 $\mathbf{b}\mathbf{y}$ 

$$\tilde{\Phi}_j(x, p, \pi) = (F'(x, p, \pi), x_j),$$

for j = 1, ..., m. Since the mapping F' is dominant for the generic  $(p, \pi)$ , there exists a polynomial  $P_j^* \in \mathbb{C}[y, p, \pi, t]$  of the form

$$P_{j}^{*}(y,p,\pi,t) = P_{j,0}^{*}(p,\pi)t^{d_{j}} + P_{j,1}^{*}(y,p,\pi)t^{d_{j}-1} + \dots + P_{j,d_{j}}^{*}(y,p,\pi),$$

such that

$$\overline{\tilde{\Phi}_j(\mathbb{C}^m \times \mathbb{L}(m,k) \times \mathbb{L}(s+k,m))} = (P_j^*)^{-1}(0)$$

Similarly as in Section 3, each of the polynomial  $P_j^*$ , j = 1, ..., m can be effectively calculated.

Let

$$\mathcal{V}^* = \left\{ (p,\pi) \in \mathbb{L}(m,k) \times \mathbb{L}(s+k,m) \colon \prod_{j=1}^m P^*_{j,0}(p,\pi) = 0 \right\}$$

Put  $\mathcal{U}^* = (\mathbb{L}(m,k) \times \mathbb{L}(s+k,m)) \setminus \mathcal{V}^*$ . Denote

$$\hat{\mathcal{U}} = \{ p \in \mathbb{L}(m,k) \colon \prod_{j=1}^{m} P_{j,0}^{*}(p,\pi) \neq 0 \text{ for some } \pi \in \mathbb{L}(s+k,m) \}.$$

We have the following

**Proposition 11.** For any  $p \in \hat{\mathcal{U}}$  putting  $L = \ker p$  we have  $\mu_0(\pi_L | F^{-1}(0)) = \deg_{\gamma}(F^{-1}(0))$ 

$$\mu_0(\pi_L | F^{-1}(0)) = \deg_0(F^{-1}(0)).$$

*Proof.* Let us fix arbitrary  $p \in \hat{\mathcal{U}}$ . Then there exists  $\pi \in \mathbb{L}(s+k,m)$  such that  $(p,\pi) \in \mathcal{U}^*$ . Hence

$$P_{i,0}^*(p,\pi) \neq 0,$$

for each j = 1, ..., m. Therefore the mapping  $\pi \circ (F^*, p)$  is proper. This means that the fiber  $(\pi \circ (F^*, p))^{-1}(0)$  is finite. Since

$$(\pi \circ (F^*, p))^{-1}(0) \supset (F^*, p)^{-1}(0),$$

hence the fiber  $(F^*, p)^{-1}(0)$  is also finite. But the mapping  $F^*$  is homogeneous. Therefore  $(F^*, p)^{-1}(0) = \{0\}$ . On the other hand we have

$$(F^*, p)^{-1}(0) = (F^*)^{-1}(0) \cap p^{-1}(0) = C_0(F^{-1}(0)) \cap p^{-1}(0).$$

Putting  $L = \ker p$  we obtain

(9) 
$$C_0(F^{-1}(0)) \cap L = \{0\}.$$

This together with the Proposition 10 gives the assertion.

Let us fix  $p \in \hat{\mathcal{U}}$ . We will calculate  $i_0(F^*, p)$ . Define mapping  $H_{p,\pi}^* \colon \mathbb{C}^m \to \mathbb{C}^m$ by

$$H_{p,\pi}^*(y) = (\pi \circ (F^*, p))(y) + (y_1^{d^{*m}+1}, \dots, y_m^{d^{*m}+1}),$$

where  $d^* = \max\{\deg F_1^*, \ldots, \deg F_s^*\}, \pi \in \mathbb{L}(s+n,m) \text{ and } N \in \mathbb{L}(m,1).$  Next define mapping  $\Phi_p^* \colon \mathbb{L}(s+n,m) \times \mathbb{L}(m,1) \times \mathbb{C}^m \to \mathbb{L}(s+n,m) \times \mathbb{L}(m,1) \times \mathbb{C}^{m+1}$  by

$$\Phi_p^*(\pi, N, y) = (\pi, N, H_{p,\pi}^*(y), N(y)).$$

Since the mapping  $\Phi_p^*$  is proper we can find an irreducible polynomial

 $P_n^* \in \mathbb{C}[\pi, N, w, t]$ 

of the form  $P_p^*(\pi, N, w, t) = \sum_{i=0}^l P_{p,i}^*(\pi, N, w) t^i$  such that  $P_{p,l}^* \neq 0$  and

$$\Phi_n^*(\mathbb{L}(s+n,m) \times \mathbb{L}(m,1) \times \mathbb{C}^m) = P_n^{*-1}(0).$$

Then by [9, Theorem 7] there exists  $r^* \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $0 \leq r^* < l$  such that

$$\operatorname{prd}_{w} P_{p,i}^{*} > 0 \text{ for } i = 0, \dots, r^{*} \text{ and } \operatorname{ord}_{w} P_{p,r^{*}+1}^{*} = 0.$$

Hence and by [10, Theorem 4] we have

 $\Box$ 

Corrolary 12.

$$\deg_0(F^{-1}(0)) = i_0(F^*, p) = \min\{i \in \{1, \dots, l\} : \operatorname{ord}_w P_{p,i}^* = 0\}.$$

## 7. Proof of the main theorem

Let M and N be arbitrary complex manifolds and  $X \subset M$  and  $Y \subset N$  be non-empty analytic subsets. Let  $f : X \to Y$  be a proper holomorphic mapping such that its fibres are finite.

We say that the mapping f is \*-covering if there exist nowhere dense analytic sets  $Z \subset X$  and  $\Sigma \subset Y$  such that  $X \setminus Z$  and  $Y \setminus \Sigma$  are manifolds,  $Y \setminus Z$  is connected,  $f(X \setminus Z) \subset Y \setminus \Sigma$  and restriction

(10) 
$$f_{X\setminus f^{-1}(Z)}: X\setminus f^{-1}(Z)\to Y\setminus Z$$

is a finite covering. The degree of the covering (10) is called the *degree* of the  $\ast$ covering and denoted by d(f).

Let  $f = (f_1, \ldots, f_m) \colon \mathbb{C}^n \to \mathbb{C}^m$ ,  $m \ge n$ , be a proper polynomial mapping such that  $f^{-1}(0) = \{0\}$ . By Theorem 1 we have that

(11) 
$$i_0(f) = d(f) \cdot \deg_0 f(\mathbb{C}^n).$$

In this Section we give effective method to calculate the number d(f) in (11). Let  $I_f$  be the ideal of the graph of the mapping f, i.e.

$$I_f = \langle y_1 - f_1, \dots, y_m - f_m \rangle,$$

where  $y_1, \ldots, y_m$  are new variables. Equip  $\mathbb{C}[x_1, \ldots, x_n, y_1, \ldots, y_m]$  with an eliminating local ordering < for  $x_1, \ldots, x_n$ . Let G be the Gröbner basis of the ideal  $I_f$  with respect to this ordering. Such base can always be effectively computed. Let  $J_f = I_f \cap \mathbb{C}[y_1, \ldots, y_m]$ . Then the ideal  $J_f$  is generated by a set  $G' = G \cap \mathbb{C}[y_1, \ldots, y_m]$ . Let  $G' = \{g_1, \ldots, g_u\}, u \ge m - n$ . Then  $J_f = \langle g_1, \ldots, g_u \rangle$ . Let  $G = (g_1, \ldots, g_u) \colon \mathbb{C}^m \to \mathbb{C}^u$ . Then

$$f(\mathbb{C}^n) = G^{-1}(0).$$

Let  $\{h_1, \ldots, h_s\}$  be the standard basis of ideal  $J_f$  with respect to the degree ordering given by <. Then by [5, Lemma 5.5.11]

$$\operatorname{in}(J_f) = \langle \operatorname{in}(h_1), \dots, \operatorname{in}(h_s) \rangle, \quad s \ge m - n,$$

where  $in(h_j)$  denotes the initial form of  $h_j$ , j = 1, ..., s. Set

$$F^* = (F_1^*, \dots, F_s^*) \colon \mathbb{C}^m \to \mathbb{C}^s,$$

where  $F_j^* = in(h_j)$ , for j = 1, ..., s. By [15, Theorem 10.6] we have

$$(F^*)^{-1}(0) = C_0(f(\mathbb{C}^n)).$$

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Repeating argument used in Section 5 we can find open sets  $\hat{U} \subset \mathbb{L}(m, n)$  such that for any  $p \in \hat{U} \subset \mathbb{L}(m, n)$  we have

$$(F^*)^{-1}(0) \cap \ker p = \{0\}$$

Let us fix  $p \in \hat{U}$ . Define mapping  $H_{p,\pi}^* \colon \mathbb{C}^m \to \mathbb{C}^m$  by

$$H_{p,\pi}^*(y) = (\pi \circ (F^*, p))(y) + (y_1^{d^{*m}+1}, \dots, y_m^{d^{*m}+1}),$$

where  $d^* = \max\{\deg F_1^*, \ldots, \deg F_s^*\}, \pi \in \mathbb{L}(s+n,m) \text{ and } N \in \mathbb{L}(m,1).$  Next define mapping  $\Phi_p^* \colon \mathbb{L}(s+n,m) \times \mathbb{L}(m,1) \times \mathbb{C}^m \to \mathbb{L}(s+n,m) \times \mathbb{L}(m,1) \times \mathbb{C}^{m+1}$  by

$$\Phi_p^*(\pi, N, y) = (\pi, N, H_{p,\pi}^*(y), N(y))$$

Since the mapping  $\Phi_p^*$  is proper we can find an irreducible polynomial

$$P_p^* \in \mathbb{C}[\pi, N, w, t]$$

of the form  $P_p^*(\pi, N, w, t) = \sum_{i=0}^l P_{p,i}^*(\pi, N, w) t^i$  such that  $P_{p,l}^* \neq 0$  and

$$\Phi_p^*(\mathbb{L}(s+n,m) \times \mathbb{L}(m,1) \times \mathbb{C}^m) = P_p^{*-1}(0)$$

Again by [9, Theorem 7] there exists  $r^* \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $0 \leq r^* < l$  such that

$$\operatorname{ord}_{w} P_{n\,i}^{*} > 0 \text{ for } i = 0, \dots, r^{*} \text{ and } \operatorname{ord}_{w} P_{n\,r^{*}+1}^{*} = 0.$$

and by [10, Theorem 4]

$$\deg_0 f(\mathbb{C}^n) = \deg_0(F^{-1}(0)) = \min\{i \in \{1, \dots, l\} : \operatorname{ord}_w P_{p,i}^* = 0\}$$

This gives the effective calculation of the number  $\deg_0 f(\mathbb{C}^n)$ .

On the other hand, by the choice of  $p \in \hat{U}$ , and by Proposition 9,  $i_0(f) = m_0(p \circ f)$ . Then the mapping  $H_p: \mathbb{C}^n \to \mathbb{C}^n$  by

$$H_p(x) = (p \circ f)(x) + (x_1^{d^n+1}, \dots, x_n^{d^n+1}),$$

where  $d = \max\{\deg f_1, \ldots, \deg f_m\}$ , is proper (i.e.  $S_{H_p} = \emptyset$ ) and  $i_0(f) = m_0(H_p)$ . Therefore, repeating argument used in Section 3 for mapping  $H_p$ , we can find the open set  $\mathcal{U} \subset \mathbb{L}(n, 1)$  of linear functions which separate the fibers of the mapping  $H_p$ . Let us fix such  $l \in \mathcal{U}$  and define

$$\Phi_{p,l}\colon \mathbb{C}^n \to \mathbb{C}^n \times \mathbb{C}$$

by

$$\Phi_{p,l}(x) = (H_p(x), l(x)).$$

The mapping  $\Phi_{p,l}$  is proper and consequently  $\Phi_{p,l}(\mathbb{C}^n)$  is an algebraic set of pure dimension n. So, there exists an irreducible polynomial  $P_{p,l} \in \mathbb{C}[y,t]$ , where  $y = (y_1, \ldots, y_n)$  and  $y_1, \ldots, y_n, t$  are independent variables, of the form

(12) 
$$P_{p,l}(y,t) = \sum_{j=0}^{k} P_{p,l,j}(y)t^{j}$$

such that  $P_{p,l,k} \neq 0$  and  $\Phi_{p,l}(\mathbb{C}^n) = P_{p,l}^{-1}(0)$ . Hence, by [9, Theorem 7] we have that there exist  $r \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $0 \leq r < k$  such that

(13)  $\operatorname{ord}_y P_{p,l,j} > 0 \quad \text{for} \quad j = 0, \dots, r \quad \text{and} \quad \operatorname{ord}_y P_{p,l,r+1} = 0.$ 

Hence and by [10, Theorem 4] we have

$$i_0(f) = m_0(H_p) = \min\{j \in \{1, \dots, k\} : \operatorname{ord}_y P_{p,l,j} = 0\}.$$

The above proposition gives an effective calculation method of the number  $i_0(f)$ .

In summary, we can find effectively  $i_0(f)$  and  $\deg_0 f(\mathbb{C}^n)$  in (11). Hence the third number in (11) can be effectively determined. The above considerations and Theorem 1 ends the proof of Theorem 2.

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#### EFEKTYWNE WYLICZANIE STOPNIA \*-NAKRYCIA

Streszczenie

Niech  $f : \mathbb{C}^n \to \mathbb{C}^m$ ,  $m \ge n$  będzie odw<br/>zorowaniem wielomianowym takim, że f(0) = 0 oraz 0 jest punktem izolowanym zbior<br/>u $f^{-1}(0)$ . Wówczas odw<br/>zorowanie  $f|_D \colon D \to f(D)$  jest \*-nakryciem (w rozumieniu definicji [7]) w pewnym otoczeniu D<br/> punktu $0 \in \mathbb{C}^n$ . W pracy podajemy efektywną metodę wyliczania stopnia tego nakrycia.

 $Słowa \ kluczowe:$  krotność odw<br/>zorowania, krotność przecięcia, \*-nakrycie, efektywny wzór