

On (sub)-holonomicity of  
Some Modules and b-functions

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本記録において、 $\mathcal{D}$ -Module の section  $u$  に対して、  
 $\mathcal{N} = \mathcal{D}[s]f^s u$ ,  $\mathcal{D}f^\alpha u$  ( $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ ) を定義し、その性質を述べる。  
この  $\mathcal{N}$  は  $\mathcal{D}[t, s]$ -Module の構造をもち、 $t$  は injective  
になっている。|  $\mathcal{N}$  の b 函数は常に存在し、その根は  $\alpha$  であり、  
 $\mathcal{D}u$  が holonomic の場合が重要であり、その場合  $\mathcal{D}f^\alpha u$  と  
 $\mathcal{N}/(s-\alpha)\mathcal{N}$  の同型性を判別出来る。定理 1.17, 20, 21, 24  
が重要である。又、reduced b-function についての事項も述べた。  
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## Chapter I Generalities

In this chapter, we study the basic features of general  $\mathcal{D}[t,s]$ -Modules and b-functions associated with them, which are indispensable to later chapters. The author develops the general theory of such b-functions and Modules in [32].

§ 1.  $\mathcal{D}[t,s]$  - Modules and b-functions.

Let  $\mathbb{C}[t,s]$  be the associative algebra over  $\mathbb{C}$  with generators  $s$  and  $t$  and defining relation

$$ts - st = t. \quad (1)$$

Set  $\mathcal{D}[t,s] = \mathcal{D} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathbb{C}[t,s]$ .

A  $\mathcal{G}$ -Module  $\mathcal{M}$  is called a  $\mathcal{G}[s]$ -Module (respectively  $\mathcal{G}[t,s]$ -Module), if  $\mathcal{M} \supset s\mathcal{M}$  (respectively  $\mathcal{M} \supset s\mathcal{M}$ ,  $\mathcal{M} \supset t\mathcal{M}$ ) holds. In this chapter, all Modules are  $\mathcal{G}[t,s]$ -Modules unless otherwise stated. Since  $t^{\nu}s = (s + \nu)t^{\nu}$  in view of (1),  $\text{Ker } t^{\nu}$ ,  $\text{Coker } t^{\nu}$  and  $\text{Im } t^{\nu}$  are  $\mathcal{G}[t,s]$ -Modules along with  $\overset{\wedge}{\text{given}}$   $\mathcal{D}[t,s]$ -Module.

Definition 1.1 Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a  $\mathcal{D}[s]$ -Module. If  $s \in \text{End}_{\mathcal{D}}(\mathcal{L})$  has the non-zero minimal polynomial, we denote it by  $d_{\mathcal{L}}(s)$ , and say " $d_{\mathcal{L}}(s)$  exists." "b-functions" for a  $\mathcal{D}[t,s]$ -Module  $\pi$  are defined by  $b_{\pi, \nu}(s) = d_{\pi/t^{\nu}\pi}(s)$ ,  $\nu=1,2,\dots$ .

Usually,  $b_{\pi,1}$  is abbreviated as  $b_{\pi}$ . As is easily seen,  $b_{\pi, \nu}$  exist if and only if  $b_{\pi}$  exists.

It should be remarked that if  $\mathcal{L}$  is a holonomic  $\mathcal{D}[t,s]$ -Module  $d_{\mathcal{L}}(s)$  exists, since  $\text{End}_{\mathcal{D}}(\mathcal{L}_x)$  ( $x \in X$ ) is finite dimensional and  $\text{End}_{\mathcal{D}}(\mathcal{L})$  is coherent [13].

Standard example of  $\mathcal{D}[t,s]$ -Module is constructed as follows. Let  $f$  be a holomorphic function on  $U \subset X$ , let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a coherent  $\mathcal{D}$ -Module and let  $u$  be its section over  $U$ . We denote the annihilator of  $u$  by  $\mathcal{I}$ , that is;  $\mathcal{I} = \{Q \in \mathcal{D} \mid Qu=0\}$ . Define the ideal  $\mathcal{J}(s) \subset \mathcal{D}[s]$  by the condition that

$$P(s,x,D) \in \mathcal{J}(s) \quad \text{if and only if} \\ f^m P(s,x,D + \frac{s}{f} \text{grad } f) \in \mathcal{C}[s] \otimes \mathcal{I}, \quad \text{for some } m.$$

We denote by  $\pi$  the Module  $\mathcal{D}[s]/\mathcal{J}(s)$  and by  $f^s u$  the class  $(1 \text{ mod } \mathcal{J}(s))$ .  $\pi = \mathcal{D}[s]f^s u$  is a  $\mathcal{D}[t,s]$ -Module with actions of  $t$  and  $s$  given by,

$$t: P(s) \mapsto P(s+1)f, \quad s: P(s) \mapsto P(s)s.$$

The map  $t$  is injective in  $\mathcal{N}$ . In fact, if  $P(s+1)f \in \mathcal{J}(s)$  then

$$f^m P(s+1, x, D + \frac{s}{f} \text{grad } f) f = \sum Q_j s^j$$

for some  $m$  and  $Q_j \in \mathcal{O}$ . The left-hand side equals to

$$f^{m+1} P(s+1, x, D + \frac{s+1}{f} \text{grad } f),$$

and the right-hand side can be rewritten in the form

$$\sum R_j (s+1)^j$$

for some  $R_j \in \mathcal{O}$ . Therefore,

$$f^{m+1} P(s, x, D + \frac{s}{f} \text{grad } f) = \sum R_j s^j,$$

which implies  $P(s) \in \mathcal{J}(s)$ .

The  $\mathcal{L}$ -Module  $\mathcal{L} f^s u$  is coherent, and if  $u$  is a holonomic section,  $\mathcal{L} f^s u$  is subholonomic (See [32]).

Definition 1.2 With a non-zero polynomial  $p(s)$ , we associate a number  $w(p) \in \mathbb{N}_0$  in the following manner ( $w(p)$  is called the width of  $p$ .)

- then
- i) If  $p(s) \in \mathbb{C}^*$   $w(p) = 0$ ,
- ii) If  $p(s) = \prod_{i=0}^k (s + \alpha_i + i)^{\varepsilon_i}$ ,  $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\varepsilon_i \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\varepsilon_k \neq 0$  then  $w(p) = k+1$ ,
- iii) If  $p(s)$  has the form
- $$p(s) = \prod_{j=1}^k p_j(s),$$
- where each  $p_j(s)$  is of the form in ii),  $p_j(s) = \prod (s + \alpha_j + i)^{\varepsilon_j^{(i)}}$ , and  $\alpha_j \neq \alpha_{j'}$  mod  $\mathbb{Z}$  ( $j \neq j'$ ); then  $w(p) = \max_j w(p_j)$ .

Theorem 1.3 If  $d_{\mathcal{L}}(s)$  exists, then  $t^{w(d_{\mathcal{L}})} \mathcal{L} = 0$ . Furthermore if we assume that  $t$  is injective or surjective, then  $\mathcal{L} = 0$ .

Proof) we have

$$0 = d_{\mathcal{L}}(s) \mathcal{L} \supset d_{\mathcal{L}}(s) t^{w(d_{\mathcal{L}})} \mathcal{L},$$

and by virtue of (1),

$$0 = t^{w(d_{\mathcal{L}})} d_{\mathcal{L}}(s) \mathcal{L} = d_{\mathcal{L}}(s + w(d_{\mathcal{L}})) t^{w(d_{\mathcal{L}})} \mathcal{L}.$$

It follows from the definition of  $w(d_{\mathcal{L}})$  that

$$\text{g.c.d.}(d_{\mathcal{L}}(s), d_{\mathcal{L}}(s + w(d_{\mathcal{L}}))) = 1.$$

Hence the assertion follows. When  $t$  is injective or surjective, it is obvious that  $\mathcal{L} = 0$ . Q.E.D.

A coherent  $\mathcal{G}$ -Module  $\mathcal{L}$  is called holonomic (resp. sub-holonomic) if  $\mathcal{E} \mathcal{L}_i^i(\mathcal{L}, \mathfrak{s}) = 0$  for  $i < n$  (resp.  $i < n-1$ ).

This condition is equivalent to  $\text{codim } \check{S}\check{S}(\mathcal{L}) \geq n$  (resp.  $\text{codim } \check{S}\check{S}(\mathcal{L}) \geq n-1$ ).  $\mathcal{L}$  is called purely subholonomic if  $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{S}}^i(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{S}) = 0$  for  $i \neq n-1$ . It is known that for any coherent  $\mathcal{S}$ -Module  $\mathcal{L}$ ,  $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{S}}^n(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{S})$  (resp.  $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{S}}^{n-1}(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{S})$ ) is holonomic (resp. sub-holonomic) and  $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{S}}^i(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{S}) = 0, i > n$ . Let  $W$  be an irreducible component of  $\check{S}\check{S}(\mathcal{L})$ . Then the multiplicity of  $\mathcal{L}$  at a generic point  $x_0$  of an irreducible component of  $\check{S}\check{S}(\mathcal{L})$  can be defined (which is denoted by  $m_{x_0}(\mathcal{L})$ ), and has the additivity, that is, if

$$0 \leftarrow \mathcal{L}_1 \leftarrow \mathcal{L}_2 \leftarrow \mathcal{L}_3 \leftarrow 0,$$

is an exact sequence of coherent  $\mathcal{S}$ -Modules,  $m_{x_0}(\mathcal{L}_2) = m_{x_0}(\mathcal{L}_1) + m_{x_0}(\mathcal{L}_3)$ .

Corollary 1.4 Let  $\mathcal{N}$  be a sub-holonomic  $\mathcal{S}[t, s]$ -Module such that  $t: \mathcal{N} \rightarrow \mathcal{N}$  is injective. Then,  $\mathcal{N}$  is purely sub-holonomic.

Proof) Consider the exact sequence

$$0 \leftarrow \mathcal{N}/t\mathcal{N} \leftarrow \mathcal{N} \xleftarrow{t} \mathcal{N} \leftarrow 0.$$

Set  $\mathcal{L} = \text{Ext}_{\mathcal{S}}^n(\mathcal{N}, \mathcal{S})$ . Then  $\mathcal{L}$  is holonomic and the long exact sequence of  $\text{Ext}$  gives us the surjection  $\mathcal{L} \xrightarrow{t} \mathcal{L} \rightarrow 0$ . Therefore  $\mathcal{L} = 0$  by virtue of Theorem 1.3. Q.E.D.

Proposition 1.5 Upon the conditions in Corollary 1.4,  $\check{b}_{\mathcal{N}}$  exists.

Proof) Consider an irreducible component  $W$  of  $\check{S}S(\mathcal{N})$ . Since  $t$  is injective, the multiplicity of  $\mathcal{N}/t\mathcal{N}$  at a generic point of  $W$  vanishes. Therefore  $\text{codim } \check{S}S(\mathcal{N}/t\mathcal{N}) \geq n$  which implies that  $\mathcal{N}/t\mathcal{N}$  is holonomic. Thus  $b_{\mathcal{N}}$  exists (and so does  $b_{\mathcal{N},\nu}$ , by the argument after Definition 1.1.). Q.E.D.

The conditions in Corollary 1.4 are satisfied for  $\mathcal{N} = \mathcal{G}[s]f^s u$ , if one of the following two conditions holds.

- i)  $f$  is arbitrary holomorphic function,  $u = 1$ .
- ii)  $f$  is quasi-homogeneous,  $\mathcal{G}u$  is holonomic.

In the present paper, we restrict ourselves to case i). We investigate case ii) in [32], where the detailed structure of  $b_{\mathcal{N},\nu}(s)$  and the relation between  $\mathcal{N}_\alpha$  and  $\mathcal{D}f^\alpha u$  ( $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ ) are also discussed. The existence of  $b_{\mathcal{N}}(s)$  for  $\mathcal{N} = \mathcal{G}[s]f^s u$  with general  $f$  and  $\mathcal{G}u$  being holonomic can be derived from that of case ii), following the technique in of [14]. (See [32] §. ).

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### A. General structure of $\mathcal{L}[t,s]$ -Modules

In §1 we study the structure of  $b_{\pi,\nu}(s)$  and define reduced b-functions. The relation between reduced b-function of  $\mathcal{N}_1$  and that of a sub-Module  $\mathcal{N}_2$  is studied in §2.

The key theorem is the following.

#### Theorem 1.1 (Theorem 1.3 in [Y])

Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a  $\mathcal{L}[t,s]$ -Module such that  $d_{\mathcal{L}}(s)$  exist.  
Then  $t^{w(d_{\mathcal{L}})} \mathcal{L} = 0$ .

Here,  $w(d_{\mathcal{L}})$  is the width of  $d_{\mathcal{L}}$ . We recall its meaning and add some more definitions.

Definition 1.2 For a non-zero polynomial  $p(s)$ , we associate a number  $w(p)$ , called the width of  $p$ , and polynomials  $\hat{p}(s)$  and  $\check{p}(s)$  in the following manner.

- i)  $p(s) \in \mathbb{C}^*$ ;  $w(p) = 0$ ,  $\hat{p}(s) = \check{p}(s) = 1$
- ii)  $p(s) = \prod_{i=0}^k (s+\alpha+i)^{\varepsilon_i}$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\varepsilon_0 \varepsilon_k = 0$ ;  $w(p) = k+1$ ,  
 $\hat{p}(s) = (s+\alpha)^{\varepsilon_0}$ ;  $\check{p}(s) = (s+\alpha+k)^{\varepsilon_k}$ .
- iii)  $p(s) = \prod_{j=1}^k p_j(s)$ , where each  $p_j(s)$  is of the form in ii),  $p_j(s) = \prod (s+\alpha_j+i)^{\varepsilon_i^{(j)}}$ , and  $\alpha_j \not\equiv \alpha_{j'} \pmod{\mathbb{Z}}$  ( $j \neq j'$ );  $w(p) = \max_j w(p_j)$ ,  $\hat{p}(s) = \prod \hat{p}_j(s)$ ,  
 $\check{p}(s) = \prod \check{p}_j(s)$ .



§1. Structure of  $b_{\pi, \nu}(s)$ .

We first note that  $b_{\pi, \nu}(s)$  is of the significant structure. Given a rational function  $p(s)$ , we use the notation

$$[p(s)]_{\nu} = \prod_{i=0}^{\nu-1} p(s+i) \quad \nu > 0, \quad [p(s)]_0 = 1.$$

Theorem 1.3      i) There are a rational function  $\bar{b}_{\pi}(s)$ , polynomials  $\bar{b}'_{\pi}(s)$  and  $c_{\pi}(s)$ , unique up to a constant multiple, and  $\nu_0 \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , such that for  $\nu \geq \nu_0$ ,

$$b_{\pi, \nu}(s) = [\bar{b}_{\pi}(s)]_{\nu} c_{\pi}(s+\nu) \quad (2)$$

$$= c_{\pi}(s) [\bar{b}'_{\pi}(s)]_{\nu}, \quad (3)$$

$$\bar{b}_{\pi}(s) c_{\pi}(s+1) = c_{\pi}(s) \bar{b}'_{\pi}(s). \quad (4)$$

ii) If  $t: \pi \rightarrow \pi$  is injective,  $\bar{b}_{\pi}(s)$  is also a polynomial, and for  $\nu \leq \nu_0$  there are polynomials  $c_{\pi, \nu}(s)$  and  $c'_{\pi, \nu}(s)$  such that

$$b_{\pi, \nu}(s) = [\bar{b}_{\pi}(s)]_{\nu} c_{\pi, \nu}(s+\nu)$$

$$\begin{aligned} b_{\pi, \nu}(s) &= [\bar{b}_{\pi}(s)]_{\nu} c_{\pi, \nu}(s+\nu) \\ &= c'_{\pi, \nu}(s) [\bar{b}'_{\pi}(s)]_{\nu}, \end{aligned}$$

$$c_{\pi, \nu}(s) \mid c_{\pi, \nu'}(s), \quad c'_{\pi, \nu}(s) \mid c'_{\pi, \nu'}(s) \quad \text{for } \nu \leq \nu'$$

$$\hat{b}_{\pi}(s) \mid \bar{b}_{\pi}(s), \quad \check{b}_{\pi}(s) \mid \bar{b}'_{\pi}(s). \quad (5)$$

Moreover, it is possible to take  $\nu_0 = w(b_{\pi}) - 1$ , and the following relations hold.

$$c_{\pi}(s) \mid [\bar{b}_{\pi}(s)]_{\nu_0}, [\bar{b}'_{\pi}(s-\nu_0)]_{\nu_0}, \quad (6)$$

$$b_{\pi}(s) \mid [\bar{b}_{\pi}(s)]_{\nu_0+1}, [\bar{b}'_{\pi}(s-\nu_0)]_{\nu_0+1}, \quad (7)$$

$$w(c_{\pi}) \leq \nu_0. \quad (8)$$

Corollary 1.4 As easily seen,  $\bar{b}_{\pi}(s)$  and  $\bar{b}'_{\pi}(s)$  can be so determined that

$$\bar{b}_{\pi}(s) = b_{\pi, \nu+1}(s)/b_{\pi, \nu}(s+1),$$

$$\bar{b}'_{\pi}(s) = b_{\pi, \nu+1}(s-\nu)/b_{\pi, \nu}(s-\nu), \quad \nu \geq \nu_0.$$

$\bar{b}_{\pi}(s)$  is called the reduced b-function of  $\pi$ . The special case of the part of this theorem is substantially due to M.Sato [2].

この証明は省略する。

Here after  $R, \bar{R}, \bar{R}', R_\nu$  and  $C$  denote the set of the roots of equations  $b_\pi(s) = 0, \bar{b}_\pi(s) = 0, \bar{b}'_\pi(s) = 0$   
 $b_{\pi,\nu}(s) = 0$  and  $c_\pi(s) = 0$  respectively, when  $t$  is injective.

Proposition 1.5  $R \supset \bar{R}, \bar{R}', C; R \cap (R+1) \supset C$

$$R_{k+k} = \bigcup_{i=i}^k (R+i) = \bigcup_{i=1}^k (\bar{R}+i) \cup C, \quad R_k = \bigcup_{i=0}^{k-1} (R-i) = \bigcup_{i=0}^{k-1} (\bar{R}-i) \cup C.$$

Proof is straightforward.

We end this section by adding the following remarks when  $t \in \text{End}(\pi)$  is not necessarily injective.

Definition 1.6 We define the  $\mathcal{D}[t,s]$ -Module  $\tilde{\pi}$  by  $\pi / \bigcup_{\nu \geq 1} \text{Ker } t^\nu$ . (Hence  $t$  is injective in  $\tilde{\pi}$ .)

We can prove  $\bar{b}_\pi(s) = \frac{\bar{c}(s)}{\bar{c}(s+1)} \bar{b}_{\tilde{\pi}}(s)$ , where  $\bar{c}(s) = c_\pi(s)/c_{\tilde{\pi}}(s)$  is a polynomial, and  $\bar{b}'_\pi(s) = \bar{b}'_{\tilde{\pi}}(s)$ . The proof is omitted.

Proposition 1.7 Let  $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{L} \hookrightarrow \pi \rightarrow \pi' \rightarrow 0$  be an exact sequence of  $\mathcal{D}[t,s]$ -Modules, let  $t \in \text{End}_{\mathcal{D}}(\pi')$  be injective, and let  $d_{\mathcal{L}}(s)$  exist. Then  $\pi' \cong \tilde{\pi}'$ .

For, since  $\pi \rightarrow \pi'$  and  $t|_{\pi'}$  is injective,  $\bigcup \text{Ker}(t|_{\pi'}) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{L}$ . On the other hand,  $t^{w(d_{\mathcal{L}})} \mathcal{L} = 0$  by Theorem 1.1. Therefore,  $\mathcal{L} = \text{Ker } t^{w(d_{\mathcal{L}})} = \bigcup \text{Ker } t^\nu$ , and  $\tilde{\pi} \cong \pi'$ .

§2. b-functions for a sub-Module

In terms of  $b_{\pi}(s)$ , we can estimate the b-function of a submodule of  $\pi$ .

Theorem 1.8 Let  $\pi_1$  be  $\mathcal{D}[t,s]$ -Module and let  $\pi_2$  be its submodule. Further assume 1°  $t \in \text{End}(\pi_1)$  is injective, 2°  $d_{\pi_1/\pi_2}(s)$  exists and 3°  $b_{\pi_1}(s)$  or  $b_{\pi_2}(s)$  exists. Then,  $\deg \bar{b}_{\pi_1} = \deg \bar{b}_{\pi_2} (= d)$  and there are polynomials  $c(s)$  and  $c'(s)$ , unique up to a constant multiple, such that

$$c(s), c'(s) \mid d_{\pi_1/\pi_2}(s), \quad (15)$$

$$c_{\pi_1}(s)c'(s) = c_{\pi_2}(s)c(s), \quad (16)$$

$$\bar{b}_{\pi_1}(s) = \frac{c(s)}{c'(s+1)} \bar{b}_{\pi_2}(s), \quad \bar{b}'_{\pi_1}(s) = \frac{c'(s)}{c'(s+1)} \bar{b}'_{\pi_2}(s)$$

Corollary 1.9

$$b_{\pi_2}(s) \mid [b_{\pi_1}(s)]_{\nu_0+1}, \quad b_{\pi_1}(s) \mid [b_{\pi_2}(s-\nu_0)]_{\nu_0+1}, \quad (18)$$

$$\bar{b}_{\pi_2}(s) \mid [\bar{b}_{\pi_1}(s)]_{\nu_0+1}, \quad \bar{b}_{\pi_1}(s) \mid [\bar{b}_{\pi_2}(s-\nu_0)]_{\nu_0+1}, \quad (19)$$

$$b_{\pi_2}(s) \mid [\bar{b}_{\pi_1}(s)]_{\nu_0+\nu'}, \quad b_{\pi_1}(s) \mid [\bar{b}_{\pi_2}(s-\nu_0)]_{\nu_0+\nu'}, \quad (20)$$

$$|\deg c_{\pi_1} - \deg c_{\pi_2}| \leq \nu_0 d, \quad (21)$$

where  $\nu_0 = w(d_{\pi_1/\pi_2})$ ,  $\nu' = \min(w(b_{\pi_1}), w(b_{\pi_2}))$ .

Proof of Theorem 1. 7) It follows from Thm.1.1 and condition 2 that  $\pi_1 \supset t^{\nu_0} \pi_2$ . Consider the following diagram for  $\nu \geq \nu_0$ ,

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & t^{\nu_0} \pi_1 & \supset & \\ \pi_1 \supset \pi_2 & \supset & & \supset & t^{\nu} \pi_1 \supset t^{\nu} \pi_2 \\ & \supset & t^{\nu-\nu_0} \pi_2 & \supset & \end{array}$$

This immediately reads

$$i) \quad b_{2, \nu - \nu_0}(s) \mid b_{1, \nu}(s) \quad (22)$$

$$b_{1, \nu - \nu_0}(s + \nu_0) \mid b_{2, \nu}(s) \quad (23)$$

$$ii) \quad b_{2, \nu}(s) \mid b_{1, \nu}(s) d(s + \nu), \quad (24)$$

$$b_{1, \nu}(s) \mid d(s) b_{2, \nu}(s). \quad (25)$$

Here, we have used the notations,  $b_{i, \nu}(s) = b_{\pi_i, \nu}(s)$ ,  $c_i(s) = c_{\pi_i}(s)$ ,  $d(s) = d_{\pi_1/\pi_2}(s)$ . (22) and (23) tell us that the existence of  $b_1$  and that of  $b_2$  are equivalent. In particular, setting  $\nu = \nu_0 + 1$ , we have (18).

i) gives also,

$$(\nu - \nu_0) \deg b_2 + \deg c_2 \leq \deg b_1 + \deg c_1,$$

$$(\nu - \nu_0) \deg b_1 + \deg c_1 \leq \deg b_2 + \deg c_2,$$

and letting  $\nu$  tend to infinity, we have  $\deg b_1 = \deg b_2$ .

This implies (21).

Because of (22) and (23), we can assume,  $b_i(s) = \prod_{j=1}^d (s+n_j^{(i)})$ , and  $n_j^{(1)} \leq n_{j+1}^{(1)}$  for  $n_j^{(1)} \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Setting  $\nu \gg 0$  in formula (22), we have  $s+n_1^{(2)} \mid [\bar{b}_1(s)]_\nu$ , hence  $n_1^{(2)} \geq n_1^{(1)}$ . Similarly by (23),  $n_1^{(1)} + \nu_0 \geq n_1^{(2)}$ . Therefore  $r_{1,\nu}(s) = [s+n_1^{(1)}]_\nu / [s+n_1^{(2)}]_{\nu-\nu_0}$  is a polynomial. Then the relation

$$[\prod_{j=2}^d (s+n_j^{(2)})]_{\nu-\nu_0} c_2(s+\nu-\nu_0) \mid r_{1,\nu}(s) [\prod_{j=2}^d (s+n_j^{(1)})]_\nu c_1(s+\nu),$$

for  $\nu \gg 0$  yields  $n_2^{(2)} \geq n_2^{(1)}$ , and similarly,  $n_2^{(1)} + \nu_0 \geq n_2^{(2)}$ .

Proceeding in this way, we have

$$n_j^{(1)} + \nu_0 \geq n_j^{(2)} \geq n_j^{(1)} \quad j = 1, \dots, d. \quad (26)$$

Set  $c(s) = \prod_{j=1}^d [s+n_j^{(1)}]_{n_j^{(2)}-n_j^{(1)}}$ . Then clearly  $c(s)$  is a polynomial and the first of (17) holds. Uniqueness of  $c(s)$  is obvious. We apply (17) to (25) and have, after cancellation,

$$c(s) c_1(s+\nu) \mid d(s) c_2(s+\nu) c(s+\nu),$$

taking  $\nu \gg 0$ ,  $c(s) \mid d(s)$ .

State ments about  $c'(s)$  can be proved analogously, and equation (17) applied to (2) and (3) gives (16). From equation (17), we have

$$c(s) [\bar{b}_2(s)]_\nu = [\bar{b}_1(s)]_\nu c(s+\nu). \quad (27)$$

(with  $\nu = \nu_0 + 1$ )

The definition of  $c(s)$ , together with (26), and (27) gives

(19). Analogously, (18), (26) and (27) (with  $\nu = \nu_0 + \nu'$ ) prove (20).

Q.E.D.

Remark 1.  $b \pi_2(s) \mid [b \pi_1(s)]_{\nu_0+1}$  (28)

holds even when  $t$  is not injective.

2. (27), (16) and (2) give

$$c(s)b_{2,\nu}(s) = b_{1,\nu}(s)c'(s+\nu). \quad (29)$$

3. Let  $h$  and  $k$  be the minimum and the maximum of the indices which satisfy  $n_i^{(1)} < n_i^{(2)}$  respectively. Then by (15)  $n_k^{(2)} - n_h^{(1)} \leq \nu_0$ . It should be noted that this inequality improves (26).

Theorem 1.10 Let  $X'$  and  $X$  be complex analytic and let  $\pi: X' \rightarrow X$  be projective holomorphic map.

For an  $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}_X$ , we set  $f' = f \cdot \pi$ . We assume  $X' - \pi^{-1}(f^{-1}(0)) \cong X - f^{-1}(0)$ . Then,  $\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{D}_X[s]f^s$  is a  $s$ - $\mathcal{D}$ -Module of  $\mathcal{R}'' = \int \mathcal{R}'$ ,  $\mathcal{R}' = \mathcal{D}_{X'}[s]f'^s$ , and

$$b_{f',X}(s) \mid [b_{f',\pi^{-1}(x)}(s)]_{\nu_0+1}, \quad [\overline{b}_{f',\pi^{-1}(x)}(s)]_{\nu_0+w(b_{f'})}. \quad (30)$$

Here  $\nu_0 = w(d \mathcal{R}''/\mathcal{R})$ .

この証明は省略する。

## B. Structure of $\mathcal{L}[s](f^S u)$

In the following sections, we investigate the structure of special  $\mathcal{G}[t,s]$ -Module  $\mathcal{N} = \mathcal{L}[s](f^S u)$ . It is to be proved that if  $u$  is a holonomic section,  $\mathcal{G}f^S u$  is subholonomic and  $\mathcal{G}f^X u$  is holonomic. The characterization of reduced b-function is also given.

In the sequel,  $\mathcal{N}$  always denote a  $\mathcal{G}[t,s]$ -Module  $\mathcal{L}[s](f^S u)$  which is defined in §1 [Y]. Recall that the operation  $t: P(s)(f^S u) \mapsto P(s+1)f^S u$  is injective in  $\mathcal{N}$ .

We denote by  $\mathcal{A}$  the annihilator of  $u$ . Basic concept and notations are same with S-K-K and [3]. Especially, a coherent  $\mathcal{D}$ -Module is called a System.

### §3. Preliminary results on Systems

We define some general concepts and collect propositions which we shall need.

Definition 1.11 For a system  $\mathcal{L}$ , we define

$$\text{hol}(\mathcal{L}) = \begin{cases} \dim X - \text{codim } \check{S}S(\mathcal{L}) & , \mathcal{L} \neq 0, \\ -\infty & , \mathcal{L} = 0. \end{cases}$$

Note that  $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{G}}^1(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{G}) = 0$  for  $i < \dim X - \text{hol}(\mathcal{L})$ .



Definition 1.12 1. Let  $\varphi: Y \rightarrow X$  be a holomorphic map and let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a system on  $X$ . We define the induced Module of  $\mathcal{L}$  on  $Y$  by

$$\varphi^* \mathcal{L} = \mathcal{S}_{Y \rightarrow X} \otimes_{\mathcal{S}_X} \mathcal{L}.$$

2. Let  $\mathcal{L}_1$  and  $\mathcal{L}_2$  be systems on  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ , respectively. The product Module of  $\mathcal{L}_1$  and  $\mathcal{L}_2$  on  $X_1 \times X_2$  is defined by:

$$\mathcal{L}_1 \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{L}_2 = \mathcal{S}_{X_1 \times X_2} \otimes_{\mathcal{S}_{X_1} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{S}_{X_2}} (\mathcal{L}_1 \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{L}_2).$$

3. Let  $\mathcal{L}_1$  and  $\mathcal{L}_2$  be systems on  $X$ . The product Module of them on  $X$  is defined to be

$$\mathcal{L}_1 \boxtimes \mathcal{L}_2 = \Delta^* (\mathcal{L}_1 \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{L}_2),$$

where  $\Delta: X \rightarrow X \times X$  is a diagonal embedding.

For the Definition 1.12, 1. and 2. and the following Theorem, we refer the reader to S-K-K and M. Kashiwara [3], [ ].

Theorem 1.13 1. Assume that for  $V \subset P^*Y$ , the map induced from the canonical projection is proper.

$$f^{-1}(V) \cap \omega^{-1}(SS(\mathcal{L})) \rightarrow V.$$

Then,  $\varphi^* \mathcal{L}$  is a system on  $Y$  and the following isomorphism holds

$$\varphi^* \mathbb{R} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{E}_X)[\dim X] \simeq \mathbb{R} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_Y}(\varphi^* \mathcal{L}, \mathcal{E}_Y)[\dim Y].$$

2.  $\mathcal{L}_1 \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{L}_2$  is always a system and  $(\mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2) \mapsto \mathcal{L}_1 \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{L}_2$  is an exact functor.
3. If  $\check{S}S(\mathcal{L}_1) \cap \check{S}S(\mathcal{L}_2) \subset X$ ,  $\mathcal{L}_1 \boxtimes \mathcal{L}_2$  is a system.

Statement 3 is derived from 1 and 2 easily.

Proposition 1.14 Upon the conditions in Theorem 1.13 ,

1.  $\text{hol}(\varphi^* \mathcal{L}) \leq \text{hol}(\mathcal{L})$
2.  $\text{hol}(\mathcal{L}_1 \hat{\otimes} \mathcal{L}_2) = \text{hol}(\mathcal{L}_1) + \text{hol}(\mathcal{L}_2)$ ,
3.  $\text{hol}(\mathcal{L}_1 \boxtimes \mathcal{L}_2) \leq \text{hol}(\mathcal{L}_1) + \text{hol}(\mathcal{L}_2)$ .

Since this is an easy Corollary of Theorem 1.13, we omit the proof.

We note that Prof. Bernstein considered above theorems under a little different situation in [4]. The notation  $\boxtimes$  is borrowed from it.

#### 4. Holonomicity and subholonomicity of some Modules

In this section, we study the structure of  $\mathcal{S}[s]f^s u$  and  $\mathcal{S}f^s u$  when  $\mathcal{S}u$  is holonomic.

We define the Modules  $\mathcal{N}_\alpha$  and  $\mathcal{S}f^\alpha u$  for  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  as follows.

Definition 1.15

$$\mathcal{N}_\alpha = \mathcal{N} / (s-\alpha)\mathcal{N}.$$

We use the notation

$$f(\alpha) = \{ P \in \mathcal{L} \mid P=Q(\alpha) \text{ for some } Q(s) \in f(s) \}.$$

Then  $\mathcal{N}_\alpha$  is isomorphic to  $\mathcal{S} / f(\alpha)$ . Let  $v \in \mathcal{N}$ . Then,  $v \bmod (s-\alpha)\mathcal{N}$  is denoted by  $(v)_\alpha$ . Especially,  $(f^s u)_\alpha$  is the class  $1 \bmod f(\alpha)$ .

We define

$$f_\alpha = \{ P \in \mathcal{S} \mid r^m P(x, D + \frac{\alpha}{r} df) \in \mathcal{D} \text{ for some } m. \}$$

Consider the Module  $\mathcal{S} / f_\alpha$  and denote  $1 \bmod f_\alpha$  by  $f^\alpha u$ . Thus  $\mathcal{S} f^\alpha u = \mathcal{S} / f_\alpha$ .

We also define

$$f^{(0)} = f(s) \cap \mathcal{D}.$$

The following inclusions hold.

$$f^{(0)} \subset f(\alpha) \subset f_\alpha.$$

Proposition 1.16 Ideals  $\mathcal{I}^{(0)}$ , and  $\mathcal{I}_\alpha$  are coherent.

Proof. The proof relies on the following theorem of M. Kashiwara.

"Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be an ideal of  $\mathcal{D}$  with filtration:  
 $\mathcal{I} = \bigcup_m \mathcal{I}_m$ ,  $\mathcal{D}^{(h)} \mathcal{I}_m \subset \mathcal{I}_{m+h}$ . In order to be coherent for  $\mathcal{I}$  over  $\mathcal{D}$ , it is necessary and sufficient that each  $\mathcal{I}_m$  is coherent over  $\mathcal{O}$ ."

From this, the coherency of  $\mathcal{I}^{(0)}$  and  $\mathcal{I}_\alpha$  follows.

Q.E.D.

Thus we have three systems with canonical surjections.

$$\mathcal{D}_f^s u \rightarrow \mathcal{N}_\alpha \rightarrow 0, \quad \mathcal{N}_\alpha \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_f^\alpha u \rightarrow 0.$$

We study (sub-)holonomicity of these Modules in the following.

Theorem 1.17  $\mathcal{L} \circ \mathcal{L}^{-1}$  is subholonomic, when  $\mathcal{L}u$  is holonomic.

Proof. Since  $\mathcal{L}u$  is holonomic, M. Kashiwara's theorem in [5] says that  $\check{SS}(\mathcal{L}u) \subset \bigcup T_{X_j}^* X$  for some Whitney stratification  $X = \bigcup X_j$ . We first prove

Lemma 1.13  $\mathcal{L}f^S \boxtimes \mathcal{L}u$  is subholonomic outside  $f^{-1}(0)$ .

Proof. It is sufficient to show  $\check{SS}(\mathcal{L}f^S) \cap \check{SS}(\mathcal{L}u) \subset X$  outside  $f^{-1}(0)$  by 3. of Theorem 1.14. We refine the stratification, if necessary, such that each  $X_j$  is contained in  $f^{-1}(0)$  or disjoint to it. Assume that there exists  $(x_0, \xi_0)$  which has the following properties:  $x_0 \in f^{-1}(0)$ , and there is an analytic path  $x(t)$  in some  $X_j$  such that  $x(0) = x_0$ ,  $(x(t), \xi(t)) \in W$  for  $t > 0$  and  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \xi(t) = \xi_0$ . Since the tangent of the curve  $x = x(t)$  is  $(\dot{x}_1(t), \dots, \dot{x}_n(t))$ , we have

$$0 = \sum_{i=1}^n \dot{x}_i(t) \frac{f_i}{f} = \frac{d}{dt} f(x(t))$$

from the definition of  $W$ . Therefore, the path  $x = x(t)$  is included in  $f^{-1}(0)$ , and so is  $X_j$ . q.e.d.

Owing to the canonical surjection and injection

$$\mathcal{L}f^S \boxtimes \mathcal{L}u \leftarrow \mathcal{L}(f^S \boxtimes u) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}f^S u \rightarrow 0,$$

$\mathcal{L}f^S u$  is subholonomic outside  $f^{-1}(0)$ . We use the

argument in [3]. Take the subholonomic part of  $\mathcal{D}f^s u$  and denote it by  $\mathcal{L}$ . Lemma 1.18 shows that the support of the Module  $\mathcal{D}f^s u / \mathcal{L} = \overline{\mathcal{D}f^s u}$  is contained in  $f^{-1}(0)$ . Therefore, considering the coherent  $\mathcal{O}$ -Module  $\overline{\mathcal{O}f^s u}$ , we have a natural number  $k$  such that  $f^k \cdot f^s u \in \mathcal{L}$ . Since  $\mathcal{D}f^k \cdot f^s u$  and  $\mathcal{D}f^s u$  are isomorphic, the subholonomicity of  $\mathcal{D}f^s u$  is derived from that of  $\mathcal{D}f^k \cdot f^s u$ . Q.E.D.

We note that the holonomicity of  $\mathcal{D}f^s u / \mathcal{D}f^k \cdot f^s u$  is an easy consequence of the above theorem and injectivity of  $t$ , considering multiplicity of each Module in the following exact sequence along irreducible components of  $\check{S}S(\mathcal{D}f^s u)$ .

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{D}f^s u \xrightarrow{t^k} \mathcal{D}f^s u \rightarrow \mathcal{D}f^s u / \mathcal{D}f^k \cdot f^s u \rightarrow 0.$$

When  $f$  is quasi-homogeneous,  $\mathcal{R} \cong \mathcal{D}/\mathcal{J}^{(0)}$  and hence subholonomic. Thus  $b_{\mathcal{R}}(s)$  exists, by Proposition 1.5 in [Y]. In the general cases, we use the technique of adding a parameter. Define  $f'(t,x) = tf(x)$ . Then  $\mathcal{R}' \cong \mathcal{D}_{\mathbb{C} \times X}/\mathcal{J}_{f'}^{(0)}$  and hence there exists  $b'(s)$  and  $Q(t,x,D_t,D_x)$  such that

$$Q(t,x,D_t,D_x)f'^{s+1}u = b'(s)f'^s u.$$

Let  $Q_0(tD_t,x,D_x)D_t = \sum_j a_j(x,D_x)(tD_t)^j \cdot D_t$  be the homogeneous part of degree  $-1$  in  $t$  of  $Q$ . Then, defining  $P$  by

$$P(s,x,D) = Q_0(s,x,D),$$

we have

$$P(s,x,D)f^{s+1}u = \frac{b'(s)}{s+1} f^s u$$

Thus  $b$ -function always exists. We denote by  $R$  the set of roots of the equation  $b(s)=0$ .

Theorem 1.20  $\mathcal{D} f^\alpha u$  is holonomic, when  $\mathcal{D} u$  is holonomic.

Proof) As in the proof of Theorem 1.17, one can see that

$\mathcal{D} f^k(f^\alpha u)$  is holonomic for sufficiently large  $k$ . Then the following diagram proves the holonomicity of  $\mathcal{D} f^\alpha u$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & \mathcal{D} f^k \cdot f^s u & \hookrightarrow & \mathcal{D} f^s u & \rightarrow & \mathcal{D} f^s u / \mathcal{D} f^k \cdot f^s u \rightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ 0 & \rightarrow & \mathcal{D} f^k \cdot f^\alpha u & \hookrightarrow & \mathcal{D} f^\alpha u & \rightarrow & \mathcal{D} f^\alpha u / \mathcal{D} f^k \cdot f^\alpha u \rightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ & & 0 & & 0 & & 0 \end{array}$$

Theorem 1.21  $\mathcal{N}_x \cong \mathcal{L}^* \mathcal{U}$  if and only if  $\alpha \notin \mathbb{R} + \mathbb{N}$ .

Proof. Let  $P \in \mathcal{J}_x$ ,  $\text{ord } P = m$ . Then, there is  $Q(s) \in \mathcal{D}[s]$  such that

$$Pf^m \equiv (s+m-\lambda)Q(s, x, D) \pmod{\mathcal{J}(s)}. \quad (40)$$

To prove (40), we prepare

Lemma 1.22 For any  $R \in \mathcal{L}$ ,  $\text{ord } R = m$ , the following equality holds for some  $S(s, x, D) \in \mathcal{L}[s]$  with  $\text{ord}^T S < m$ .

$$\left\{ R(x, D + \frac{s}{f} df) - R(x, D + \frac{\gamma}{f} df) \right\} f^m = (s-\gamma)S(s, x, D + \frac{s}{f} df).$$

Proof. The proof is carried out by induction on  $m$ . When  $m=0$ , the result is trivial. Let  $m \geq 1$ . For the simplicity of the notation, we explain the case of one variable. General case is similar.

By the hypothesis of induction,

$$\left\{ (D + s \frac{f'}{f})^{m-1} - (D + \gamma \frac{f'}{f})^{m-1} \right\} f^{m-1} = (s-\gamma)Q_{m-2}(s, x, D + s \frac{f'}{f}).$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\{ (D + s \frac{f'}{f})^m - (D + \gamma \frac{f'}{f})^m \right\} f^m \\ &= \left\{ (D + s \frac{f'}{f})^{m-1} - (D + \gamma \frac{f'}{f})^{m-1} \right\} (D + s \frac{f'}{f}) f^m + (s-\gamma) (D + \gamma \frac{f'}{f})^{m-1} f^m \\ &= (s-\gamma)Q_{m-2}(s, x, D + s \frac{f'}{f}) (f(D + s \frac{f'}{f}) + mf') + (s-\gamma)Q'_{m-1}(s, x, D + s \frac{f'}{f}) f' \end{aligned}$$



where

$$Q'_{m-1}(s, x, D) = (fD + (\gamma - s + 1)f')(fD + (\gamma - s + 2)f') \dots (fD + (\gamma - s + m - 1)f').$$

This yields the case m.

q.e.d.

We apply this lemma for  $R = P$ ,  $\gamma = \lambda - m$ . Then, we have

$$P(x, D + \frac{s}{f} df) f^m - f^m P(x, D + \frac{\alpha}{f} df) = (s + m - \alpha) Q(s, x, D + \frac{s}{f} df),$$

which proves (4c).

Lemma 1.23  $t^m \mathcal{N} \cap (s + m - \lambda) \mathcal{N} \subset (s + m - \lambda) t^m \mathcal{N}$ .

Because of the condition on  $\lambda$ ,  $(s + m - \lambda)$  is not a factor of  $b_{\mathcal{N}, m}(s)^*$ . Hence we have an isomorphism

$$\mathcal{N} / t^m \mathcal{N} \xrightarrow{s + m - \lambda} \mathcal{N} / t^m \mathcal{N}. \quad (41)$$

Now take an element  $v = (s + m - \lambda)w \in t^m \mathcal{N} \cap (s + m - \lambda) \mathcal{N}$ .

If we consider  $w \bmod t^m \mathcal{N}$  in the left-hand side of (41), it turns out to be 0 in the right-hand side. Hence  $w \in t^m \mathcal{N}$ , that is  $v \in (s + m - \lambda) t^m \mathcal{N}$ . q.e.d.

Owing to this lemma and (40), we obtain

$$Pf^m \equiv (s + m - \lambda) Q'(s, x, D) f^m \pmod{\mathfrak{f}(s)},$$

Note that  $R + \mathcal{N} = (\bar{R} + \mathcal{W}) \cup \mathcal{C}$ . 25

and hence

$$P \equiv (s-\alpha)Q'(s-m, x, D) \pmod{f(s)},$$

which proves the "if part".

("only if" part) Suppose  $\alpha \in R + \mathbb{N}$ . Then,  $\exists \nu > 0$ , such that  $b_{\pi, \nu}(\alpha - \nu) = 0$ . It follows from the definition of  $b_{\pi, \nu}(s)$  that there exists  $P_\nu(s) \in \mathcal{S}[s]$ , such that

$$P_\nu(s+\nu)f^\nu \equiv b_{\pi, \nu}(s) \pmod{f(s)}.$$

Therefore  $P_\nu(\alpha) \in \mathfrak{f}_\alpha$ . If  $\pi_\alpha \simeq \mathcal{S}f^\alpha$  were valid, we should have

$$P_\nu(x) = Q(s) + (s-\alpha)R(s), \quad \exists Q(s) \in \mathfrak{f}(s).$$

Then, if we set  $R_\nu(s) = (P_\nu(s) - P_\nu(\alpha))/(s-\alpha) + R(s)$ ,

$$R_\nu(s+\nu)f^\nu \equiv b_{\pi, \nu}(s)/(s+\nu-\alpha) \pmod{f(s)}$$

This contradicts the minimality of  $b_{\pi, \nu}(s)$ . Q.E.D.

There is a canonical map

$$\tau : \pi_{\alpha+1} \rightarrow \pi_\alpha, \quad (\hat{f}^{\alpha+1}u)_{\alpha+1} \mapsto \hat{f} \cdot (\hat{f}^\alpha u)_\alpha.$$

As a map between  $\mathcal{S}[s]$ -Modules, this is  $Q(s)\bar{1} \mapsto Q(s+1)f \cdot \bar{1}$ .

Since  $(\mathfrak{f}(s+1) + \mathcal{S}[s](s-\alpha))f \subset \mathfrak{f}(s) + \mathcal{S}[s](s-\alpha)$ ,

this map is well-defined. There is also a map  $\mathcal{S}f^{\alpha+1}\bar{u} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}f\bar{u}$ ,

defined by  $f^{\alpha+1}_u \rightarrow f \cdot f^{\alpha}_u$ . These maps are compatible with the surjection (35).

Theorem 1.24 i)  $\mathcal{N}_{\alpha+1} \simeq \mathcal{N}_{\alpha}$  if and only if  $\alpha \notin R$ .

ii) When  $\alpha \notin R$ ,  $\mathcal{G}f^{\alpha+1}_u \simeq \mathcal{G}f^{\alpha}_u$ .

Proof) We first prove "if part" of i) and ii). If  $\alpha \notin R_f$ , we can define the map  $\rho: \mathcal{N}_{\alpha} \rightarrow \mathcal{N}_{\alpha+1}$ , by  $\bar{1} \mapsto b(\alpha)^{-1}P(\alpha)\bar{1}$ . As a map between  $\mathcal{G}[s]$ -Modules,  $\rho$  is  $R(s)\bar{1} \mapsto b(\alpha)^{-1}R(s-1)P(\alpha)\bar{1}$ . Then this is a well-defined homomorphism, since if  $R(s) \in \mathcal{J}(s) + \mathcal{G}[s](s-\alpha)$ ,  $R(s-1)P(\alpha)f^s_u \equiv 0 \pmod{(s-\alpha-1)\mathcal{G}[s] \cdot f^s_u}$ . Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} Q(s)fP(\alpha)f^s_u &= Q(s)f\{P(s-1) + (P(\alpha) - P(s-1))\}f^s_u \\ &\equiv Q(s)b(s-1)f^s_u \\ &\equiv b(\alpha)Q(s)f^s_u \pmod{(s-\alpha-1)\mathcal{G}[s]f^s_u}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\rho\tau(Q(s)\bar{1}) = \rho(Q(s+1)f \cdot \bar{1}) = b(\alpha)^{-1}Q(s)fP(\alpha)\bar{1} = Q(s)\bar{1}$ . Analogously,  $\tau\rho(R(s)\bar{1}) = R(s)\bar{1}$ . Thus,  $\rho$  is the inverse of  $\tau$ . The proof of ii) can be given in the same manner. ("only if" part)  $\mathcal{N}_{\alpha+1} \simeq \mathcal{N}_{\alpha}$  implies

$$(\mathcal{J}(s+1) + \mathcal{G}[s](s-\alpha))f = \mathcal{J}(s) + \mathcal{G}[s](s-\alpha).$$

Hence, if  $R(s)f^s_u = (s-\alpha)Q(s)f^s_u$ , then there is  $Q'(s)$  such that  $R(s)f^s_u = (s-\alpha)Q'(s)f \cdot f^s_u$ . Therefore, if  $\alpha \in R$  were valid, the relation

$$P(s)f \cdot f^s u = (s-\alpha) \frac{b(s)}{s-\alpha} f^s u = (s-\alpha) Q'(s) f \cdot f^s u$$

shows  $Q'(s) f \cdot f^s u = \frac{b(s)}{s-\alpha} f^s u$ . This contradicts the minimality of  $b(s)$ . Q.E.D.

Corollary 1.25      i) When  $\alpha \notin \mathbb{R} + \mathbb{N}$ , the following

commutative diagram exists for any  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$ .

When  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R} + \mathbb{Z}$ , it holds for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{N}_\alpha & \cong & \mathcal{N}_{\alpha-k} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathcal{E} f^x u & \cong & \mathcal{E} f^{x-k} u \end{array}$$

$$\text{ii) } \varinjlim \mathcal{N}_{\alpha-k} \cong \varinjlim \mathcal{E} f^{x-k} u$$

is holonomic for  $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ .

Proof) i) is <sup>direct</sup> direct consequence of Theorems 1.24 and 1.21.

ii) follows from i).

## §5. Reduced b-functions

We can realize a reduced b-function as a b-function of some  $\mathcal{G}[t,s]$ -Modules. The characterization of these Modules are also given. We are indebted to M.Sato[2] for basic ideas in this section.

Definition 1.26

$$\mathcal{N}_{\#} = \bigcup_{\nu \geq 0} [\bar{b}(s-\nu)]_{\nu} t^{-\nu} \mathcal{N},$$

$$\mathcal{N}^{\#} = \left\{ v(s) \in \bigcup_{\nu \geq 0} \mathcal{G}[s] t^{-\nu} \mathcal{N} \mid \exists m, [\bar{b}(s)]_m v(s) \in t^m \mathcal{N}_{\#} \right\}.$$

Proposition 1.27

i)  $\mathcal{N}_{\#}$  and  $\mathcal{N}^{\#}$  are  $\mathcal{G}[t,s]$ -Modules. If  $\mathcal{N}$  is coherent,  $\mathcal{N}_{\#}$  is also coherent.

$$\text{ii) } b_{\mathcal{N}_{\#}} = b_{\mathcal{N}^{\#}} = \bar{b}.$$

Proof) i)  $\mathcal{N}_{\#}$  and  $\mathcal{N}^{\#}$  are easily seen to be  $\mathcal{G}[t,s]$ -Modules. To see the coherency of  $\mathcal{N}_{\#}$ , we use the operators  $P_{\nu}(s)$  which satisfy

$$P_{\nu}(s+\nu) f^{\nu} \equiv b_{\mathcal{N}_{\#}, \nu}(s) \pmod{\mathcal{G}(s)}.$$

Since  $\mathcal{G}[s]$  is a noetherian ring, there is  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$P_m(s) + A_1(s)P_{m-1}(s) + \dots + A_m(s)P_0(s) = 0.$$

for some  $A_\nu(s) \in \mathcal{L}[s]$ . Since

$$P_h(s)P_n(s+n) \equiv c(s)P_{h+n}(s+n) \pmod{f(s+n)},$$

multiplying  $P_n(s+n)$  from the right, cancelling  $c(s)$  and rewriting  $s$  to  $s-n$ , we have

$$P_{m+n}(s) + A_1(s-n)P_{m+n-1}(s) + \dots + A_m(s-n)P_n(s) \equiv 0 \pmod{f(s)}.$$

Therefore,  $\mathcal{N}_\# = \bigcup_{\nu=0}^{m-1} [\bar{b}(s-\nu)]_\nu t^\nu \mathcal{N} \subset t^{-m+1} \mathcal{N}$ .

ii) Obviously,  $[\bar{b}(s)]_\nu \mathcal{N}_\# \subset t^\nu \mathcal{N}_\#$ . Set  $\bar{b}_\nu(s) = b_{\mathcal{N}_\#, \nu}(s)$ . If  $\bar{b}_\nu(s) \neq [\bar{b}(s)]_\nu$  for some  $\nu$ , there is  $k' < k = \deg \bar{b}(s)$ , such that  $\deg \bar{b}_\nu(s) < \nu k'$  for  $\nu \gg 0$ . But the following diagram shows  $\nu k \leq (\nu+m-1)k'$ . This is a contradiction. Thus we proved  $b_{\mathcal{N}_\#} = \bar{b}$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & 0 & \\ & \downarrow & \\ \mathcal{N} / t^{\nu+m-1} \mathcal{N}_\# & \rightarrow & \mathcal{N} / t^\nu \mathcal{N} \rightarrow 0 \\ & \downarrow & \\ \mathcal{N}_\# / t^{\nu+m-1} \mathcal{N}_\# & & \end{array}$$

It follows from the definition of  $\mathcal{N}_\#$  that  $\mathcal{N}_\# \supset \mathcal{N}$  and  $\bar{b}(s)\mathcal{N}_\# \subset t\mathcal{N}_\#$ . Set  $\bar{b}(s) = b_{\mathcal{N}_\#, 1}(s)$  and assume  $\neq \bar{b}(s)$ . Then for  $v(s) \in \mathcal{N}_\#$ ,  $\bar{b}(s)v(s) \in t\mathcal{N}_\#$  yields  $[\bar{b}(s)]_m \bar{b}(s-1)v(s-1) \in t^m \mathcal{N}_\#$ .

This relation is equivalent to  $\bar{b}(s)[b(s+1)]_m v(s) \in t^{m+1} \mathcal{N}_\#$ .

Since  $\mathcal{N}_\#$  is finitely generated over  $\mathcal{L}[s]$ , we see that  $b_{\mathcal{N}_\#, m}(s)$  is a strict divisor of  $[\bar{b}(s)]_m$  for sufficiently large  $m$ . That is a contradiction. Hence  $b_{\mathcal{N}_\#}(s) = \bar{b}(s)$ . Q.E.D.

It is not for certain whether  $\pi^\#$  is coherent or not when  $\pi$  is coherent. We have, however, the following characterization.

Theorem 1.28 Let  $\pi'$  be a  $\mathcal{L}[t,s]$ -Module satisfying,

$t^{-k}\pi \supset \pi' \supset \pi$  for some  $k$ . Then  $b_{\pi'}(s) = \bar{b}(s)$  if and only if

$$\pi^\# \supset \pi' \supset \pi_\#$$

Proof) ("only if" part) Since  $b_{\pi'}(s) = \bar{b}(s)$ , we have relations

$$\pi' \supset \bar{b}(s-1)t^{-1}\pi' \supset \bar{b}(s-1)\bar{b}(s-2)t^{-2}\pi' \supset [\bar{b}(s-h)]_h t^{-h}\pi'$$

Therefore,

$$\pi' \supset \bigcup_{h \geq 0} [\bar{b}(s-h)]_h t^{-h}\pi' \supset \bigcup_{h \geq 0} [\bar{b}(s-h)]_h t^{-h}\pi = \pi_\#$$

Then the following diagram

$$\pi' \supset \pi_\# \supset t^m \pi' \supset t^m \pi_\# \quad (46)$$

shows that  $d_{\pi'/t^m \pi_\#}(s)$  divides both  $d'(s)[\bar{b}(s)]_m$  and  $[\bar{b}(s)]_m d'(s+m)$  (where we set  $d'(s) = d_{\pi'/\pi_\#}$ ), and hence one of  $[\bar{b}(s)]_m$  for  $m \gg 0$ . But  $[\bar{b}(s)]_m$  is <sup>the</sup> best possible for the pair  $\pi_\# \supset t^m \pi_\#$ . Therefore,  $d_{\pi'/t^m \pi_\#}(s) = [\bar{b}(s)]_m$ . Thus the definition of  $\pi$  proves  $\pi^\# \supset \pi'$ .

("if" part) Consider the following diagram for  $m \gg 0$ .

$$\pi^{\#} \supset \pi' \supset \pi_{\#} \supset t^m \pi' \supset t^m \pi_{\#} .$$

Then the definition of  $\pi^{\#}$  implies  $[\bar{b}_{\pi'}(s)]_m c_{\pi'}(s+m) \mid [\bar{b}(s)]_m$ .

On the other hand, equation (17) of Theorem 1.8 shows

$$\bar{b}_{\pi'}(s) = (c'(s)/c'(s+1))\bar{b}(s). \text{ From these formulae,}$$

we have  $c' = c_{\pi'} = 1$ , and then  $b_{\pi'}(s) = \bar{b}(s)$ . Q.E.D.

Corollary 1.29 Assume that  $w(\bar{b}) = 1$  in addition to the condition on  $\pi'$  in Theorem 1.28. Then,

$$b_{\pi'} = \bar{b}, \text{ if and only if } \pi' = \pi_{\#}$$

Proof) The "if" part is trivial. Consider the diagram

$$(46) \text{ when } b_{\pi'} = \bar{b}. d_{\pi'/t^m \pi_{\#}}(s) = [\bar{b}(s)]_m \text{ is shown in}$$

the proof of Theorem 1.28. Therefore,  $d'(s) = d_{\pi'/\pi_{\#}}(s)$

and  $d'(s+m)$  are divisors of  $[\bar{b}(s)]_m$  for large  $m$ . Since

$w(\bar{b}) = 1$ , this is actually possible only when  $d'(s) = 1$ ,

that is,  $\pi' = \pi_{\#}$ . Q.E.D.