

**GELFOND-MAHLER INEQUALITY  
FOR MULTIPOLYNOMIAL RESULTANTS**

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ABSTRACT. We give a bound of the height of a multipolynomial resultant in terms of polynomial degrees, the resultant of which applies. Additionally we give a Gelfond-Mahler type bound of the height of homogeneous divisors of a homogeneous polynomial.

1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $f \in \mathbb{Z}[u]$ , where  $u = (u_1, \dots, u_N)$  is a system of variables and  $\mathbb{Z}$  is the ring of integers, be a nonzero polynomial of the form

$$(1) \quad f(u) = \sum_{|\nu| \leq d_f} a_\nu u^\nu,$$

where  $a_\nu \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $u^\nu = u_1^{\nu_1} \cdots u_N^{\nu_N}$  and  $|\nu| = \nu_1 + \cdots + \nu_N$  for  $\nu = (\nu_1, \dots, \nu_N) \in \mathbb{N}^N$  and  $\mathbb{N}$  denotes the set of nonnegative integers. By the *height* of the polynomial  $f$  we mean

$$H(f) := \max\{|a_\nu| : \nu \in \mathbb{N}^N, |\nu| \leq d_f\}.$$

Let  $f_1, \dots, f_r \in \mathbb{Z}[u]$  be nonzero polynomials, and let  $d_j$  be the degree of  $f = f_1 \cdots f_r$  with respect to  $u_j$  for  $j = 1, \dots, N$ .

A.P. Gelfond [3] obtained the following bound.

**Theorem 1.1** (Gelfond).

$$(2) \quad H(f_1) \cdots H(f_r) \leq 2^{d_1 + \cdots + d_N - k} \sqrt{(d_1 + 1) \cdots (d_N + 1)} H(f)$$

where  $k$  is the number of variables  $u_j$  that genuinely appear in  $f$ .

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K. Mahler [6] introduced a measure  $M(f)$  of a polynomial  $f \in \mathbb{C}[u]$  (currently called *Mahler measure*, see Section 2.1) and in [7] reproved (2) and proved the following

**Theorem 1.2** (Mahler). *Under notations of Theorem 1.1,*

$$(3) \quad H(f) \leq 2^{d_1 + \dots + d_N - k} M(f).$$

Moreover,

$$(4) \quad L_1(f_1) \cdots L_1(f_r) \leq 2^{d_1 + \dots + d_N} M(f) \leq 2^{d_1 + \dots + d_N} L_1(f),$$

where  $L_1(f) := \sum_{|\nu| \leq d_f} |a_\nu|$  is the  $L_1$ -norm of a polynomial  $f$  of the form (1).

The aim of the article is to obtain a similar to the above-described estimates for the height,  $L_1$ -norms and Mahler's measures of a resultant for systems of homogeneous forms. More precisely let  $d_0, \dots, d_n$  be fixed positive integers and let  $f_0, \dots, f_n$  be a system of homogeneous polynomials in  $x = (x_0, \dots, x_n)$  with indeterminate coefficients of degrees  $d_0, \dots, d_n$  in  $x$ , respectively. By a resultant  $\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}$  we mean the unique irreducible polynomial in the coefficients of  $f_0, \dots, f_n$  with integral coefficients such that for any specializations  $f_{0, a_0}, \dots, f_{n, a_n}$  of  $f_0, \dots, f_n$ , the value  $\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}(f_{0, a_0}, \dots, f_{n, a_n})$  is equal to zero if and only if the polynomials  $f_{0, a_0}, \dots, f_{n, a_n}$  have a common nontrivial zero. For basic notations and properties of the resultants, see Section 3.1 and for more detailed description on the resultant see for instance [2]. The main result of this paper is Theorem 3.12 which says that:

$$\begin{aligned} M(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) &\leq (d_* + 1)^{nK_n d_*^n}, \\ H(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) &\leq (d_* + 1)^{n(K_n + n + 1)d_*^n - n(n+1)}, \\ L_1(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) &\leq (d_* + 1)^{n(K_n + n + 1)d_*^n}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $K_n = e^{n+1}/\sqrt{2\pi n}$  and  $d_* = \max\{d_0, \dots, d_n\}$ . Moreover if  $n \geq 2$  and  $d_* \geq 4$  then we have the following estimates:

$$\begin{aligned} M(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) &\leq (d_*)^{nK_n d_*^n}, \\ H(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) &\leq (d_*)^{n(K_n + n + 1)d_*^n - n(n+1)}, \\ L_1(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) &\leq (d_*)^{n(K_n + n + 1)d_*^n}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that the above estimates of  $L_1(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n})$  are not a direct consequences of the estimates of  $H(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n})$  (see Remark 3.13).

M. Sombra in [9], as a corollary from a study of the height of the mixed sparse resultant, gave an estimation of  $H(\text{Res}_{d, \dots, d})$ :

$$H(\text{Res}_{d, \dots, d}) \leq (d + 1)^{n(n+1)!d^n}.$$

Since  $K_n + n + 1 = n + 1 + e^{n+1}/\sqrt{2\pi n} < (n + 1)!$  for  $n \geq 3$ , so the estimation (26) is more explicit than the above for  $n \geq 3$ .

The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2 we collect basic notations concerning the Mahler measure of a polynomial and we prove a Mahler type bounds for

the height and the  $L_1$ -norm of multihomogeneous polynomials (see Lemma 2.2). The proof of Theorem 3.12 we give in Section 3. The crucial role in the proof plays an estimation of the  $L_1$  norm of the Macaulay discriminant of a coefficients matrix for a powers of polynomials  $f_0, \dots, f_n$  (see Lemma 3.9).

Additionally, in Section 4 we give Corollaries 4.1 and 4.2 which are versions of Theorems 1.1 and 1.2 for the multihomogeneous and homogeneous polynomials cases.

## 2. AUXILIARY RESULTS

**2.1. Notations.** Let  $f \in \mathbb{C}[u]$ , where  $u = (u_1, \dots, u_N)$  is a system of variables, be a nonzero polynomial of the form

$$(5) \quad f(u) = \sum_{|\nu| \leq d_f} a_\nu u^\nu,$$

where for  $\nu = (\nu_1, \dots, \nu_N) \in \mathbb{N}^N$  the coefficient  $a_\nu$  is a complex number and we put  $|\nu| = \nu_1 + \dots + \nu_N$  and  $u^\nu = u_1^{\nu_1} \dots u_N^{\nu_N}$ .

In this section  $I$  denotes the interval  $[0, 1]$  and  $i$  the imaginary unit (i.e.,  $i^2 = -1$ ). Let  $\mathbf{e} : I^N \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^N$  be a mapping defined by

$$\mathbf{e}(\mathbf{t}) = (\exp(2\pi t_1 i), \dots, \exp(2\pi t_N i)) \quad \text{for } \mathbf{t} = (t_1, \dots, t_N) \in I^N.$$

For a complex polynomial  $f \in \mathbb{C}[u]$ , the number

$$M(f) = \exp \left( \int_{I^N} \log |f(\mathbf{e}(\mathbf{t}))| d\mathbf{t} \right)$$

is called the *Mahler measure* of  $f$  (see [7]). A significant property of the Mahler measure is the following (see [7]): for  $f, g \in \mathbb{C}[u]$ ,

$$(6) \quad M(fg) = M(f)M(g).$$

Moreover, if  $f \in \mathbb{Z}[u]$ ,  $f \neq 0$ , then (see for instance [8, Corollary 2]),

$$(7) \quad M(f) \geq 1.$$

By  $L_2$ -norm of a polynomial  $f \in \mathbb{C}[u]$  we mean

$$L_2(f) = \left( \int_{I^N} |f(\mathbf{e}(\mathbf{t}))|^2 d\mathbf{t} \right)^{1/2}.$$

For a polynomial  $f \in \mathbb{C}[u]$  of the form (5) we have

$$(8) \quad L_2(f) = \left( \sum_{|\nu| \leq d_f} |a_\nu|^2 \right)^{1/2},$$

By Jensen's inequality we obtain

$$(9) \quad M(f) \leq L_2(f).$$

**2.2. Mahler type inequalities for multihomogeneous polynomials.** By analogous argument as in [7] we obtain the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $f \in \mathbb{C}[u]$ , where  $u = (u_1, \dots, u_N)$ , be a homogeneous polynomial of degree  $d_f > 0$  of the form*

$$f(u) = \sum_{|\nu|=d_f} a_\nu u^\nu.$$

*Then there are homogeneous polynomials  $f_{k_1, \dots, k_\ell} \in \mathbb{C}[u_{\ell+1}, \dots, u_N]$ , with  $\deg f_{k_1, \dots, k_\ell} = d_f - k_1 - \dots - k_\ell$  for  $k_1 + \dots + k_\ell \leq d_f$ ,  $\ell = 1, \dots, N$ , such that*

$$f(u_1, \dots, u_N) = \sum_{k_1=0}^{d_f} f_{k_1}(u_2, \dots, u_N) u_1^{k_1}$$

$$f_{k_1, \dots, k_{\ell-1}}(u_\ell, \dots, u_N) = \sum_{k_\ell=0}^{d_f - k_1 - \dots - k_{\ell-1}} f_{k_1, \dots, k_\ell}(u_{\ell+1}, \dots, u_N) u_\ell^{k_\ell}.$$

*Moreover, for any  $\nu = (\nu_1, \dots, \nu_N) \in \mathbb{N}^N$ ,  $|\nu| = d_f$ , we have*

$$|a_\nu| = |f_\nu| \leq \binom{d_f - \nu_1 - \dots - \nu_{N-1}}{\nu_N} M(f_{\nu_1, \dots, \nu_{N-1}}),$$

$$M(f_{\nu_1}) \leq \binom{d_f}{\nu_1} M(f),$$

$$M(f_{\nu_1, \dots, \nu_\ell}) \leq \binom{d_f - \nu_1 - \dots - \nu_{\ell-1}}{\nu_\ell} M(f_{\nu_1, \dots, \nu_{\ell-1}}), \quad 2 \leq \ell \leq N.$$

*In particular,*

$$|a_\nu| \leq \binom{d_f}{\nu_1} \binom{d_f - \nu_1}{\nu_2} \dots \binom{d_f - \nu_1 - \dots - \nu_{N-1}}{\nu_N} M(f)$$

$$\leq \binom{d_f}{\nu_1, \dots, \nu_N} M(f) \leq N^{d_f-1} M(f)$$

*and so,*

$$H(f) \leq N^{d_f-1} M(f),$$

$$L_1(f) \leq N^{d_f} M(f).$$

Let now  $m, d_0, \dots, d_n$  be fixed positive integers,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and let

$$u_{(m,j)} = (u_{m,j,\nu} : \nu \in \mathbb{N}^{m+1}, |\nu| = d_j), \quad j = 0, \dots, n,$$

be systems of variables. In fact  $u_{(m,j)}$  is a system of

$$N_{m,d_j} := \binom{d_j + m}{m}$$

variables.

From Lemma 2.1, by a similar method as in [7], we obtain the following Mahler type inequalities for multihomogeneous polynomials.

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $f \in \mathbb{Z}[u_{(m,0)}, \dots, u_{(m,n)}]$  be a nonzero polynomial such that  $f$  is homogeneous as a polynomial in each system of variables  $u_{(m,j)}$ . Then for any polynomial  $g \in \mathbb{Z}[u_{(m,0)}, \dots, u_{(m,n)}]$  which divides  $f$  in  $\mathbb{Z}[u_{(m,0)}, \dots, u_{(m,n)}]$  and have degree  $e_j$  with respect to system  $u_{(m,j)}$  for  $j = 0, \dots, n$ , we have*

$$H(g) \leq \left( \prod_{j=0}^n N_{m,d_j}^{e_j-1} \right) M(g) \leq \left( \prod_{j=0}^n N_{m,d_j}^{e_j-1} \right) M(f)$$

and

$$L_1(g) \leq \left( \prod_{j=0}^n N_{m,d_j}^{e_j} \right) M(g) \leq \left( \prod_{j=0}^n N_{m,d_j}^{e_j} \right) M(f).$$

*Proof.* For simplicity  $u_{(m,j)}$  we denote by  $u_{(j)}$  and  $N_{m,d_j}$  by  $N_j$  for  $j = 0, \dots, n$ . Let  $g \in \mathbb{Z}[u_{(0)}, \dots, u_{(n)}]$  be a divisor of  $f$  in  $\mathbb{Z}[u_{(0)}, \dots, u_{(n)}]$  and let  $g_1 = f/g$ . By the assumptions,  $g$  is a homogeneous polynomial as a polynomial in each  $u_{(j)}$  of some degree  $e_j$  for  $j = 0, \dots, n$ . Let

$$\mathcal{J} = \{ \eta = (\eta^{(0)}, \dots, \eta^{(n)}) \in \mathbb{N}^{N_0} \times \dots \times \mathbb{N}^{N_n} : |\eta^{(j)}| = e_j \text{ for } j = 0, \dots, n \}.$$

The polynomial  $g$  is of the form

$$g(u_{(0)}, \dots, u_{(n)}) = \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{J}} C_\eta J_\eta,$$

where  $C_\eta \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $J_\eta = u_{(0)}^{\eta^{(0)}} \dots u_{(n)}^{\eta^{(n)}}$  for  $\eta = (\eta^{(0)}, \dots, \eta^{(n)}) \in \mathcal{J}$ . So, we may write

$$g(u_{(0)}, \dots, u_{(n)}) = \sum_{|\eta^{(0)}|=e_0} g_{1,\eta^{(0)}}(u_{(1)}, \dots, u_{(n)}) u_{(0)}^{\eta^{(0)}},$$

where  $g_{1,\eta^{(0)}} \in \mathbb{Z}[u_{(1)}, \dots, u_{(n)}]$  for  $\eta^{(0)} \in \mathbb{N}^{N_0}$ ,  $|\eta^{(0)}| = e_0$ . By induction for  $j = 1, \dots, n$  we may write

$$g_{j,\eta^{(j-1)}}(u_{(j)}, \dots, u_{(n)}) = \sum_{|\eta^{(j)}|=e_j} g_{j+1,\eta^{(j)}}(u_{(j+1)}, \dots, u_{(n)}) u_{(j)}^{\eta^{(j)}},$$

where  $g_{j+1,\eta^{(j)}} \in \mathbb{Z}[u_{(j+1)}, \dots, u_{(n)}]$  for  $\eta^{(j)} \in \mathbb{N}^{N_j}$ ,  $|\eta^{(j)}| = e_j$ . Then any coefficient  $C_\eta$ ,  $\eta \in \mathcal{J}$ , is a coefficient of some polynomial  $g_{n,\eta^{(n-1)}}$ . Then applying  $n+1$  times Lemma 2.1, we obtain

$$H(g) \leq N_0^{e_0-1} \dots N_n^{e_n-1} M(g)$$

and

$$L_1(g) \leq N_0^{e_0} \dots N_n^{e_n} M(g).$$

Since  $g_1$  have integral coefficients, by (7) we have  $M(g_1) \geq 1$ . Then (6) gives the assertion.  $\square$

## 3. HEIGHT OF A MULTIPOLYNOMIAL RESULTANT

**3.1. Basic notations on a multipolynomial resultant.** Recall some notations and facts concerning the resultant for several homogeneous polynomials (see [2], see also [1]).

In this section  $x = (x_0, \dots, x_n)$  is a system of  $n + 1$  variables.

Let  $d_0, \dots, d_n$  be fixed positive integers and let  $u_{(0)}, \dots, u_{(n)}$  be systems of variables of the form

$$(10) \quad u_{(j)} = (u_{j,\nu} : \nu \in \mathbb{N}^{n+1}, |\nu| = d_j), \quad j = 0, \dots, n,$$

In fact  $u_{(m,j)}$  is a system of

$$(11) \quad N_{d_j} := \binom{d_j + n}{n}$$

variables.

Let  $f_0, \dots, f_n \in \mathbb{C}[u_{(0)}, \dots, u_{(n)}, x]$  be homogeneous polynomials in  $x$  of degrees  $d_0, \dots, d_n$ , respectively of the forms

$$f_j(u_{(0)}, \dots, u_{(n)}, x) = \sum_{\substack{\nu \in \mathbb{N}^{n+1} \\ |\nu| = d_j}} u_{j,\nu} x^\nu, \quad j = 0, \dots, n.$$

In fact  $f_j \in \mathbb{Z}[u_{(j)}, x]$ .

For any  $a_j = (a_{j,\nu} : \nu \in \mathbb{N}^{n+1}, |\nu| = d_j) \in \mathbb{C}^{N_{d_j}}$  by,  $f_{j,a_j} \in \mathbb{C}[x]$  we denote the *specialization* of  $f_j$ , i.e., the polynomial  $f_{j,a_j}(x) = f_j(a_j, x)$ .

**Fact 3.1** ([2], Chapter 13). *There exists a unique polynomial  $P_{d_0, \dots, d_n} \in \mathbb{Z}[u_{(0)}, \dots, u_{(n)}]$  such that:*

(i) *For any  $a_0 \in \mathbb{C}^{N_{d_0}}, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{C}^{N_{d_n}}$*

$$P_{d_0, \dots, d_n}(a_0, \dots, a_n) = 0 \Leftrightarrow f_{0,a_0}, \dots, f_{n,a_n} \text{ have a common nontrivial zero.}$$

(ii) *For  $a_0 \in \mathbb{C}^{N_{d_0}}, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{C}^{N_{d_n}}$  such that  $f_{0,a_0} = x_0^{d_0}, \dots, f_{n,a_n} = x_n^{d_n}$ ,*

$$P_{d_0, \dots, d_n}(a_0, \dots, a_n) = 1.$$

(iii)  *$P_{d_0, \dots, d_n}$  is irreducible in  $\mathbb{C}[u_{(0)}, \dots, u_{(n)}]$ .*

The polynomial  $P_{d_0, \dots, d_n}$  in Fact 3.1 is called *resultant* or *multipolynomial resultant* and denoted by  $\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}$  or shortly by  $\text{Res}$ . We will also write  $\text{Res}(f_{0,a_0}, \dots, f_{n,a_n})$  instead of  $\text{Res}(a_0, \dots, a_n)$ .

**Fact 3.2** ([2], Proposition 1.1 in Chapter 13). *For any  $j = 0, \dots, n$  the resultant  $\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}$  is a homogeneous polynomial in  $u_{(j)}$  of degree  $d_0 \cdots d_{j-1} d_{j+1} \cdots d_n$ .*

Set

$$\delta = d_0 + \dots + d_n - n,$$

and let

$$S_j = \{\nu = (\nu_0, \dots, \nu_n) \in \mathbb{N}^{n+1} : |\nu| = \delta, \nu_0 < d_0, \dots, \nu_{j-1} < d_{j-1}, \nu_j \geq d_j\} \quad \text{for } j = 0, \dots, n.$$

**Fact 3.3.** *The sets  $S_0, \dots, S_n$  are mutually disjoint and*

$$(12) \quad \{\nu \in \mathbb{N}^{n+1} : |\nu| = \delta\} = S_0 \cup \dots \cup S_n.$$

Consider the following system of equations

$$(13) \quad \begin{cases} \frac{x^\nu}{x_0^{d_0}} f_0(u_{(0)}, x) = 0 & \text{for } \nu \in S_0 \\ \vdots \\ \frac{x^\nu}{x_n^{d_n}} f_n(u_{(n)}, x) = 0 & \text{for } \nu \in S_n. \end{cases}$$

Any of the above equation is homogenous of degree  $\delta$  and depends on

$$N_{d_0, \dots, d_n} = \binom{d_0 + \dots + d_n}{n}$$

monomials of degree  $\delta$ . Let's arrange these monomials in a sequence  $J_1, \dots, J_N$ . Then (13) one can consider as a system of  $N$  linear equations with  $N$  indeterminates  $J_1, \dots, J_N$ . Denote by  $\mathcal{D}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}$  the matrix of this system of equations and by  $D_{d_0, \dots, d_n}$  – the determinat of  $\mathcal{D}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}$ . From Fact 3.3 and the definition of  $D_{d_0, \dots, d_n}$  we easily obtain the following fact.

**Fact 3.4.** *For  $a_j \in \mathbb{C}^{N_{d_j}}$  such that  $f_{j, a_j}(x) = x_j^{d_j}$ ,  $j = 0, \dots, n$ , we have*

$$|D_{d_0, \dots, d_n}(a_0, \dots, a_n)| = 1,$$

*In particular,  $D_{d_0, \dots, d_n} \neq 0$ .*

*Proof.* Indeed, by Fact 3.3, for the assumed specializations  $f_{j, a_j}$ ,  $j = 0, \dots, n$ , the matrix  $\mathcal{D}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}(f_{0, a_0}, \dots, f_{n, a_n})$  have in any row and any column exactly one nonzero entry equal to 1. □

From the definition of  $D_{d_0, \dots, d_n}$  we see that  $D_{d_0, \dots, d_n}$  is a homogeneous polynoal in  $u_{(j)}$  of degree equal to the number of elements  $\#S_j$  of  $S_j$  and the total degree equal to  $N_{d_0, \dots, d_n}$ . Moreover, we have the following Macaulay result [5, Theorem 6] (see also [4] and [2, Theorem 1.5 in Chapter 13] for Caley determinantal formula).

**Fact 3.5.** *The polynomial  $D_{d_0, \dots, d_n}$  is divisible by  $\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}$  in  $\mathbb{Z}[u_{(0)}, \dots, u_{(n)}]$ .*

Put

$$d_* = \max\{d_0, \dots, d_n\}.$$

From the definition of the polynomial  $D_{d_0, \dots, d_n}$  we obtain

**Lemma 3.6.**  $L_1(D_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) \leq N_{d_0}^{\#S_0} \dots N_{d_n}^{\#S_n} \leq \binom{d_*+n}{n}^{\binom{(n+1)d_*}{n}}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $D = D_{d_0, \dots, d_n}$  and  $N_j = N_{d_j}$ . Monomials of  $D$  are of the form

$$J_\eta = C_\eta u_{(0)}^{\eta^{(0)}} \dots u_{(n)}^{\eta^{(n)}},$$

where  $C_\eta \in \mathbb{Z}$  for  $\eta = (\eta^{(0)}, \dots, \eta^{(n)}) \in \mathbb{N}^{N_0} \times \dots \times \mathbb{N}^{N_n}$  and  $|\eta^{(j)}| = \#S_j$  for  $j = 0, \dots, n$ . Let  $\eta^{(j)} = (\eta_{j,1}, \dots, \eta_{j,N_j})$ . Then from definition of  $D$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |C_\eta| &\leq \prod_{j=0}^n \binom{\#S_j}{\eta_{j,1}} \binom{\#S_j - \eta_{j,1}}{\eta_{j,2}} \dots \binom{\#S_j - \eta_{j,1} - \dots - \eta_{j,N_j-1}}{\eta_{j,N_j}} \\ &= \prod_{j=0}^n \binom{\#S_j}{\eta_{j,1}, \dots, \eta_{j,N_j}}, \end{aligned}$$

so

$$L_1(D) \leq \sum_{\substack{\eta = (\eta^{(0)}, \dots, \eta^{(n)}) \in \mathbb{N}^{N_0 + \dots + N_n} \\ |\eta^{(k)}| = \#S_k \text{ for } k=0, \dots, n}} \prod_{j=0}^n \binom{\#S_j}{\eta_{j,1}, \dots, \eta_{j,N_j}} \leq N_0^{\#S_0} \dots N_n^{\#S_n},$$

which gives the first inequality in the assertion. Since  $N_j \leq \binom{d_*+n}{n}$  and  $\#S_0 + \dots + \#S_n = N_{d_0, \dots, d_n} \leq \binom{(n+1)d_*}{n}$ , then we obtain the second inequality in the assertion.  $\square$

**3.2. Multipolynomial resultant for powers of polynomials.** Take any  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $k > 0$ . The resultant  $\text{Res}_{kd_0, \dots, kd_n}$  and the discriminant  $D_{kd_0, \dots, kd_n}$  are polynomials with integer coefficients in a system of variables  $w_k = (w_{(k,0)}, \dots, w_{(k,n)})$ , where

$$(14) \quad w_{(k,j)} = (w_{k,j,\nu} : \nu \in \mathbb{N}^{n+1}, |\nu| = kd_j),$$

is a system of indeterminate coefficients of the polynomial

$$F_{k,j}(w_{(k,j)}, x) = \sum_{\substack{\nu \in \mathbb{N}^{n+1} \\ |\nu| = kd_j}} w_{k,j,\nu} x^\nu, \quad j = 0, \dots, n.$$

In fact  $w_{(k,j)}$  is a system of

$$(15) \quad N_{kd_j} := \binom{kd_j + n}{n}$$

variables. From Fact 3.2 we have that  $\text{Res}_{kd_0, \dots, kd_n}$  is homogeneous in any system of variables  $w_{(k,j)}$  of degree

$$e_{k,j} = k^n d_0 \dots d_{j-1} d_{j+1} \dots d_n, \quad j = 0, \dots, n.$$

The polynomial  $D_{kd_0, \dots, kd_n}$  is also homogeneous in any system of variables  $w_{(k,j)}$ . Let  $s_{k,j}$  be the degree of  $D_{kd_0, \dots, kd_n}$  with respect to  $w_{(k,j)}$ ,  $j = 0, \dots, n$ . Obviously

$$(16) \quad s_{k,0} + \dots + s_{k,n} = \binom{k(d_0 + \dots + d_n)}{n}.$$



Let

$$\mathcal{S}_k = \{\eta = (\eta^{(0)}, \dots, \eta^{(n)}) \in \mathbb{N}^{N_{kd_0}} \times \dots \times \mathbb{N}^{N_{kd_n}} : |\eta^{(j)}| = s_{k,j} \text{ for } j = 0, \dots, n\}.$$

Then  $D_{kd_0, \dots, kd_n}$  one can write

$$(17) \quad D_{kd_0, \dots, kd_n} = \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{S}_k} C_\eta J_\eta,$$

where  $C_\eta \in \mathbb{Z}$  for  $\eta \in \mathcal{S}_k$  and

$$(18) \quad J_\eta = w_{(k,0)}^{\eta^{(0)}} \cdots w_{(k,n)}^{\eta^{(n)}} \text{ for } \eta = (\eta^{(0)}, \dots, \eta^{(n)}) \in \mathcal{S}_k.$$

Since

$$f_j^k = \sum_{\substack{\nu \in \mathbb{N}^{n+1} \\ |\nu| = kd_j}} x^\nu \sum_{\substack{\nu^1, \dots, \nu^k \in \mathbb{N}^{n+1} \\ \nu^1 + \dots + \nu^k = \nu \\ |\nu^1| = \dots = |\nu^k| = d_j}} u_{j,\nu^1} \cdots u_{j,\nu^k}, \quad j = 0, \dots, n,$$

then we may define a mapping

$$W_k = (W_{(k,0)}, \dots, W_{(k,n)}) : \mathbb{C}^{N_{d_0}} \times \dots \times \mathbb{C}^{N_{d_n}} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{N_{kd_0}} \times \dots \times \mathbb{C}^{N_{kd_n}},$$

by  $W_{(k,j)} = (W_{k,j,\nu} : \nu \in \mathbb{N}^{n+1}, |\nu| = kd_j)$  for  $j = 0, \dots, n$ , and

$$W_{k,j,\nu}(u_{(j)}) = \sum_{\substack{\nu^1, \dots, \nu^k \in \mathbb{N}^{n+1} \\ \nu^1 + \dots + \nu^k = \nu \\ |\nu^1| = \dots = |\nu^k| = d_j}} u_{j,\nu^1} \cdots u_{j,\nu^k} \text{ for } \nu \in \mathbb{N}^{n+1}, |\nu| = kd_j.$$

In other words,  $W_{(k,j)}$  is a system of coefficients of  $f_j^k$  as a polynomial in  $x$ . So for any positive integer  $k$  we may define

$$R_k = \text{Res}_{kd_0, \dots, kd_n}(f_0^k, \dots, f_n^k),$$

$$D_k = D_{kd_0, \dots, kd_n}(f_0^k, \dots, f_n^k).$$

More precisely,

$$R_k = \text{Res}_{kd_0, \dots, kd_n} \circ W_k,$$

$$D_k = D_{kd_0, \dots, kd_n} \circ W_k.$$

Then from (17) and (18) we have

$$(19) \quad D_k = \sum_{\eta = (\eta^{(0)}, \dots, \eta^{(n)}) \in \mathcal{S}_k} C_\eta W_{(k,0)}^{\eta^{(0)}} \cdots W_{(k,n)}^{\eta^{(n)}}.$$

From Fact 3.4 we have

**Fact 3.7.** *For any positive integer  $k$  we have  $D_k \neq 0$ .*

From [2, Proposition 1.3 in Chapter 13] and [1, Theorem 3.2], we immediately obtain

**Fact 3.8.** For any positive integer  $k$  we have

$$\text{Res}_{kd_0, \dots, kd_n}(f_0^k, \dots, f_n^k) = \text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}(f_0, \dots, f_n)^{k^{n+1}}.$$

Recall that  $d_* = \max\{d_0, \dots, d_n\}$ . Put

$$N_{*,k} = \binom{kd_* + n}{n}, \quad N_k^* = \binom{(n+1)kd_*}{n}, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}, k > 0.$$

**Lemma 3.9.**  $L_1(D_k) \leq (N_{*,1})^{kN_k^*} L_1(D_{kd_0, \dots, kd_n})$ .

*Proof.* Indeed, for any  $j = 0, \dots, n$  and any  $\nu \in \mathbb{N}^{n+1}$ ,  $|\nu| = kd_j$  the polynomial  $W_{k,j,\nu}$  consists of at most  $(N_{*,1})^k$  monomials with coefficients equal to 1, i.e.,  $(N_{*,1})^k$  is not smaller than

$$\#\{(\nu^1, \dots, \nu^k) \in (\mathbb{N}^{n+1})^k : \nu^1 + \dots + \nu^k = \nu, |\nu^1| = \dots = |\nu^k| = d_j\}$$

for  $j = 0, \dots, n$ . So from (19) we easily see that

$$L_1(D_k) \leq \sum_{\eta = (\eta^{(0)}, \dots, \eta^{(n)}) \in \mathcal{I}_k} |C_\eta| (N_{*,1})^{k|\eta^{(0)}|} \dots (N_{*,1})^{k|\eta^{(n)}|}.$$

Then (16) easily gives the assertion.  $\square$

**3.3. Height of a multipolynomial resultant.** From Lemmas 2.2, 3.6 and 3.9 and Fact 3.8 we have

**Lemma 3.10.** For any  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $k > 0$  we have

$$(20) \quad M(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) \leq (N_{*,1})^{N_k^*/k^n} (N_{*,k})^{N_k^*/k^{n+1}},$$

$$(21) \quad H(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) \leq (N_{*,1})^{(n+1)d_*^n - n - 1} M(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}),$$

$$(22) \quad L_1(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) \leq (N_{*,1})^{(n+1)d_*^n} M(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}).$$

*Proof.* Let  $e_j = d_0 \cdots d_{j-1} d_{j+1} \cdots d_n$  for  $j = 0, \dots, n$ . By Lemma 2.2 and (6) we obtain

$$H(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) \leq \left( \prod_{j=0}^n (N_{d_j})^{e_j - 1} \right) M(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}^{k^{n+1}})^{1/k^{n+1}},$$

$$L_1(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) \leq \left( \prod_{j=0}^n (N_{d_j})^{e_j} \right) M(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}^{k^{n+1}})^{1/k^{n+1}}.$$

Since  $e_0 + \dots + e_n \leq (n+1)d_*^n$ , then from the above we have

$$H(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) \leq (N_{*,1})^{(n+1)d_*^n - n - 1} M(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}^{k^{n+1}})^{1/k^{n+1}},$$

$$L_1(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) \leq (N_{*,1})^{(n+1)d_*^n} M(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}^{k^{n+1}})^{1/k^{n+1}}.$$

This, together with Fact 3.8, gives (21) and (22).

From Fact 3.8 we also have  $M(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}^{k^{n+1}})^{1/k^{n+1}} = M(R_k)^{1/k^{n+1}}$ , and since  $M(R_k) \leq M(D_k)$  (by (7) and Facts 3.5 and 3.7), so (9) gives

$$(23) \quad M(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}^{k^{n+1}})^{1/k^{n+1}} \leq L_2(D_k)^{1/k^{n+1}}.$$

By Lemma 3.9 we have

$$(24) \quad L_1(D_k) \leq (N_{*,1})^{kN_k^*} L_1(D_{kd_0, \dots, kd_n}).$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} N_{kd_j} &\leq N_{*,k}, \quad \text{for } j = 0, \dots, n, \\ N_{kd_0, \dots, kd_n} &\leq N_k^*, \end{aligned}$$

so, from Lemma 3.6 we obtain

$$L_1(D_{kd_0, \dots, kd_n}) \leq (N_{*,k})^{N_k^*} \quad \text{for } k > 0.$$

Since  $L_2(D_k) \leq L_1(D_k)$  then (23) and (24) gives (20). □

In general  $N_k^* \leq (n+1)!(kd_*)^n$ . It turns out that asymptotically this number has better properties.

**Lemma 3.11.**

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N_k^*}{k^n} = \frac{(n+1)^n d_*^n}{n!} < \frac{e^{n+1}}{\sqrt{2\pi n}} d_*^n.$$

*Proof.* Indeed,

$$\frac{N_k^*}{k^n} = \frac{\prod_{j=1}^n [(n+1)kd_* - n + j]}{n!k^n},$$

so,

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N_k^*}{k^n} = \frac{(n+1)^n d_*^n}{n!} = \left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right)^n \frac{n^n}{n!} d_*^n < e \frac{n^n}{n!} d_*^n.$$

Since from Stirling formula,

$$\frac{n^n}{n!} \leq \frac{e^{n-1/(12n+1)}}{\sqrt{2\pi n}},$$

then we obtain the assertion. □

Lemmas 3.10 and 3.11 gives the main result of this paper.

**Theorem 3.12.** *Let  $d_* = \max\{d_0, \dots, d_n\}$  and  $K_n = e^{n+1}/\sqrt{2\pi n}$ ,  $n > 0$ . Then*

$$(25) \quad M(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) \leq (d_* + 1)^{nK_n d_*^n},$$

$$(26) \quad H(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) \leq (d_* + 1)^{n(K_n + n + 1)d_*^n - n(n+1)},$$

$$(27) \quad L_1(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) \leq (d_* + 1)^{n(K_n + n + 1)d_*^n}.$$

Moreover, if  $n \geq 2$  and  $d_* \geq 4$ , then

$$(28) \quad \begin{aligned} M(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) &\leq (d_*)^{nK_n d_*^n}, \\ H(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) &\leq (d_*)^{n(K_n + n + 1)d_*^n - n(n+1)}, \\ L_1(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) &\leq (d_*)^{n(K_n + n + 1)d_*^n}. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* From Lemma 3.10 for any  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $k > 0$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} M(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) &\leq (N_{*,1})^{N_k^*/k^n} (N_{*,k})^{N_k^*/k^{n+1}}, \\ H(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) &\leq (N_{*,1})^{(n+1)d_*^n - n - 1} (N_{*,1})^{N_k^*/k^n} (N_{*,k})^{N_k^*/k^{n+1}}, \\ L_1(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}) &\leq (N_{*,1})^{(n+1)d_*^n} (N_{*,1})^{N_k^*/k^n} (N_{*,k})^{N_k^*/k^{n+1}}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $1 \leq N_{*,k} \leq (kd_* + 1)^n$ , then

$$(29) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (N_{*,k})^{1/k} = 1,$$

so passing to the limit as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  in the above inequalities, by Lemma 3.11, we obtain (25), (26) and (27).

Since for  $n \geq 2$  and  $d_* \geq 4$  we have  $N_{*,1} \leq d_*^n$  then we obtain the second part of the assertion (28).  $\square$

**Remark 3.13.** *The estimation (27) of  $L_1(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n})$  is not a direct consequence of the estimation (26) of the height  $H(\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n})$  because the number of coefficients of  $\text{Res}_{d_0, \dots, d_n}$  can be bigger than  $(d_* + 1)^{n(n+1)}$ . The number of coefficients of the resultant can be estimated by*

$$E_{d_0, \dots, d_n} := \prod_{j=0}^n \binom{d_j + n}{d_0 \cdots d_{j-1} d_{j+1} \cdots d_n} \leq (d_* + 1)^{n(n+1)d_*^n}.$$

#### 4. GELFOND-MAHLER TYPE INEQUALITIES FOR HOMOGENEOUS POLYNOMIALS

As a corollaries from Lemma 2.2 we obtain the following Gelfond-Mahler type theorems.

**Corollary 4.1.** *Let  $f \in \mathbb{Z}[u_{(m,0)}, \dots, u_{(m,n)}]$  be a nonzero polynomial such that  $f$  is homogeneous of degree  $s_j > 0$  as a polynomial in each system of variables  $u_{(m,j)}$ . Then for any polynomials  $f_1, \dots, f_k \in \mathbb{Z}[u_{(m,0)}, \dots, u_{(m,n)}]$  such that  $f = f_1 \cdots f_k$  we have*

$$(30) \quad \begin{aligned} H(f_1) \cdots H(f_k) &\leq \left( \prod_{j=0}^n N_{m,d_j}^{s_j - 1} \right) M(f) \\ &\leq \left( \prod_{j=0}^n N_{m,d_j}^{s_j - 1} \right) \left( \prod_{j=0}^n \sqrt{N_{m,d_j} + 1}^{s_j} \right) H(f) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(31) \quad L_1(f_1) \cdots L_1(f_k) \leq \left( \prod_{j=0}^n N_{m,d_j}^{s_j} \right) M(f) \leq \left( \prod_{j=0}^n N_{m,d_j}^{s_j} \right) L_1(f).$$

*Proof.* The left hand inequalities in (30) and (31) immediately follows from Lemma 2.2, because  $M(f_1) \cdots M(f_k) = M(f)$  from (6). Since the polynomial  $f$  is homogeneous with respect to  $u_{(m,j)}$  of degree  $s_j$ ,  $j = 0, \dots, n$ , then from (9) we have

$$M(f) \leq \left( \prod_{j=0}^n \sqrt{\binom{s_j + N_{m,d_j}}{N_{m,d_j}}} \right) H(f) \leq \left( \prod_{j=0}^n \sqrt{N_{m,d_j} + 1}^{s_j} \right) H(f).$$

This gives the right hand inequalities in (30) and (31) and ends the proof.  $\square$

Applying Corollary 4.1 for  $n = 0$ ,  $d_0 = 1$  and  $m = N - 1$  and a homogenisation  $f^*(x_0, \dots, x_m) := x_0^{\deg f} f(x_1/x_0, \dots, x_m/x_0)$  of a polynomial  $f \in \mathbb{Z}[x_1, \dots, x_m]$  we obtain the following corollary.

**Corollary 4.2.** *Let  $f \in \mathbb{Z}[x_1, \dots, x_m]$  be a nonzero polynomial of degree  $s > 0$ . Then for any polynomials  $f_1, \dots, f_k \in \mathbb{Z}[x_1, \dots, x_m]$  such that  $f = f_1 \cdots f_k$  we have*

$$H(f_1) \cdots H(f_k) \leq (N + 1)^{s-1} M(f^*) \leq (N + 1)^{s-1} \sqrt{N + 2}^s H(f)$$

and

$$L_1(f_1) \cdots L_1(f_k) \leq (N + 1)^s M(f^*) \leq (N + 1)^s L_1(f).$$

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