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Katsuya Ishizaki (ishi@nit.ac.jp), Department of Mathematics NIPPON Institute of Technology 4-1 Gakuendai Miyashiro Minamisaitama Saitama 345-8501, JAPAN, and. *Value distribution theory and some functional equations.*

In this talk, we will present some applications of the value distribution theory to functional equations, in particular, q -difference equations $\sum_{j=0}^n a_j(z)f(q^jz) = Q(z)$, where $0 < |q| < 1$ is a complex number, a_j , $j = 0, \dots, n$ ($a_n a_0 \neq 0$) and Q are rational functions. We consider the existence theorem of meromorphic solutions, the regularities of the growth of meromorphic solutions, and the hypertranscendence of solutions over $\mathbb{C}(z)$.

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