

## *Meromorphic approximations on Riemann surfaces*

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Let  $D, D'$  be compact domains of a Riemann surface  $R$  relative to  $R$  such that  $\overline{D} \subset D'$  and  $D$  be enclosed by a finite number of closed Jordan curves. Let  $P$  be a finite point set contained in  $D$ ,  $Q'$  be a selected set of the collection of compact components of  $D' - \overline{D}$  relative to  $D'$ , that is, any point of  $Q'$  is contained in one and only one element of the collection and conversely any element of the collection contains one and only one point of  $Q'$ , and  $Q$  be a selected set of the collection of compact components of  $R - \overline{D}$  relative to  $R$ . Obviously both  $Q'$  and  $Q$  are finite point sets. Then we have the following theorems:

**THEOREM 1'.** *There exists such a function as is meromorphic in  $D'$  and has its poles on  $P$ .*

**THEOREM 2'.** *Any function which is regular in a certain domain containing  $\overline{D}$  is uniformly approximated on  $\overline{D}$  by such a function as is meromorphic on  $D'$  and has its poles on  $Q'$ .*

**THEOREM 3'.** *Any function which is meromorphic in a certain domain containing  $\overline{D}$  and has its poles on  $P$  is uniformly approximated on  $\overline{D}$  by such a function as is meromorphic in  $D'$  and has its poles on  $P \cup Q'$ .*

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According to the method of Behnke and Stein<sup>1)</sup>, these theorems are easily derived by the following process<sup>2)</sup>:

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- 1) Behnke und Stein: Entwicklung analytischer Funktionen auf Riemannschen Flächen, Math. Ann. 120 (1948), pp. 430-461.
  - 2) Theorem 1' is trivial. Theorem 2' is a modified one of a theorem in the above paper in which  $D$  is simply connected relative to  $D'$ .