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# Convergence in Hausdorff Content of Padé-Faber Approximants and Its Applications

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**Abstract :** A convergence in Hausdorff content of Padé-Faber approximants (recently introduced in [1]) on some certain sequences is proved. As applications of this result, we give an alternate proof of a Montessus de Ballore type theorem for these Padé-Faber approximants and a proof of a convergence of Padé-Faber approximants in the maximal canonical domain in which the approximated function can be continued to a meromorphic function.

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#### **1** Introduction

Let E be a compact subset of the complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$  such that  $\overline{\mathbb{C}} \setminus E$  is simply connected and E contains more than one point. It is convenient to assume that  $0 \in E$  and this can be done, if necessary, without loss of generality making a change of variables. By the Riemann mapping theorem, there exists a unique exterior conformal mapping  $\Phi$  from  $\overline{\mathbb{C}} \setminus E$  onto  $\overline{\mathbb{C}} \setminus \{w \in \mathbb{C} : |w| \leq 1\}$  satisfying  $\Phi(\infty) = \infty$  and  $\Phi'(\infty) > 0$ . For any  $\rho > 1$ , we define

$$\Gamma_{\rho} := \{ z \in \mathbb{C} : |\Phi(z)| = \rho \} \quad \text{and} \quad D_{\rho} := E \cup \{ z \in \mathbb{C} : |\Phi(z)| < \rho \},$$

as the level curve of index  $\rho$  and the canonical domain of index  $\rho$ , respectively. We denote by  $\rho_0(F)$  the index  $\rho > 1$  of the largest canonical domain  $D_{\rho}$  to which F can be extended as a holomorphic function, and by  $\rho_m(F)$  the index  $\rho > 1$  of the largest canonical domain  $D_{\rho}$  to which F can be extended as a meromorphic function with at most m poles (counting multiplicities). We denote by

$$D_{\rho_{\infty}(F)} := \bigcup_{m=0}^{\infty} D_{\rho_m(F)}$$

the maximum canonical domain in which  ${\cal F}$  can be continued to a meromorphic function.

The Faber polynomial of E of degree n is defined by the formula

$$\Phi_n(z) := \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_\rho} \frac{\Phi^n(t)}{t-z} dt, \qquad z \in D_\rho, \qquad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Denote by  $\mathcal{H}(E)$  the space of all functions holomorphic in some neighborhood of *E*. The *n*-th Faber coefficient of  $F \in \mathcal{H}(E)$  with respect to  $\Phi_n$  is given by

$$[F]_n := \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_\rho} \frac{F(t)\Phi'(t)}{\Phi^{n+1}(t)} dt,$$

where  $1 < \rho < \rho_0(F)$ . Denote by  $\mathbb{N}$  the set of all positive integers. Set  $\mathbb{N}_0 := \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ .

The definition of Padé-Faber approximants (first introduced in [1]) is stated below.

**Definition 1.1.** Let  $F \in \mathcal{H}(E)$  and  $(n,m) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$  be fixed. Then, there exist polynomials  $q_{n,m}^E$ ,  $p_{n,m,k}^E$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \ldots, m - 1$  such that

$$\deg(p_{n,m,k}^E) \le n-1, \quad \deg(q_{n,m}^E) \le m, \quad q_{n,m}^E \ne 0,$$
 (1.1)

$$[z^k q^E_{n,m} F - p^E_{n,m,k}]_j = 0, \qquad j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n.$$
(1.2)

For each k = 0, 1, ..., m - 1, the rational function

$$R_{n,m,k}^E := \frac{p_{n,m,k}^E}{q_{n,m}^E}$$

is called an (n, m, k) Padé-Faber approximant of F.

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To solve for ordered pairs  $(p_{n,m,k}^E, q_{n,m}^E)$ , we need to find nm + m + 1 unknown coefficients in (1.1) from nm + m linear equations in (1.2). Then,  $R_{n,m,k}^E$  always exist but they may not be unique. Moreover, since  $q_{n,m}^E \neq 0$ , we normalize it to have leading coefficient equal to 1. Note that the definition of Padé-Faber approximants in Definition 1.1 is totally different from the definition of "classical" Padé-Faber approximants (see, e.g. [2]). Since this new definition of Padé-Faber approximants was recently introduced, there are only two publications [1, 3] studying this approximation. In [1], Bosuwan and López gave necessary and sufficient conditions for the convergence with geometric rate of  $\{q_{n,m}^E\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  (when m is fixed), namely, proving the analogue of the Montessus de Ballore-Gonchar theorem for Padé-Faber approximants on row sequences (see [1, Corollary 1.6]). Later, Bosuwan [3] further studied the convergence of  $\{q_{n,m}^E\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  (when m is fixed). These two results show that the zeros of  $\{q_{n,m}^E\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  can be used to detect the location of the poles of the approximated function  $F \in \mathcal{H}(E)$ .

Next, let us introduce a concept of convergence in Hausdorff content. Let B be a subset of the complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$ . By  $\mathcal{U}(B)$ , we denote the class of all coverings of B by at most a numerable set of disks. Let  $\beta > 0$  and set

$$h_{\beta}(B) := \inf \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |U_j|^{\beta} : \{U_j\} \in \mathcal{U}(B) \right\},\$$

where  $|U_j|$  stands for the radius of the disk  $U_j$ . The quantity  $h_\beta(B)$  is called the  $\beta$ -dimensional Hausdorff content of the set B. This set function is not a measure but it is subadditive and monotonic. Clearly, if B is a disk, then  $h_\beta(B) = |B|^\beta$ .

**Definition 1.2.** Let  $\{g_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence of complex valued functions defined on a domain  $D \subset \mathbb{C}$  and g be another complex function defined on D. We say that  $\{g_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  converges in  $\beta$ -dimensional Hausdorff content to the function g inside Dif for every compact subset K of D and for each  $\varepsilon > 0$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} h_{\beta} \{ z \in K : |g_n(z) - g(z)| > \varepsilon \} = 0.$$

Such a convergence will be denoted by  $h_{\beta}-\lim_{n\to\infty}g_n=g$  in D.

The objective of this paper is to investigate a convergence in Hausdorff content of the sequences of Padé-Faber approximants  $R^E_{n,m_n,k}$  as  $n \to \infty$  when the sequences  $\{m_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  satisfy

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{m_n \ln n}{n} = 0. \tag{1.3}$$

This type of sequences of indices  $\{(n, m_n)\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  when  $\{m_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  satisfy the limit (1.3) was first considered by Gonchar [4] for Padé  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -approximants. In the current paper, we prove many results analogous to those in the paper by Gonchar (see Theorem 2, Corollary 1, and Corollary 2 in [4]). As a consequence of our main theorem in this paper, we give an alternative proof of a Montessus de Ballore type theorem for row sequences of Padé-Faber approximants which was originally

proved in [1]. Note that the normalization of  $q_{n,m}^E$  introduced in the next section is different from the one in [1].

An outline of the paper is as follows. In section 2, we state the main theorem and its corollaries. All auxiliary lemmas are in section 3. Section 4 is devoted to the proofs of all results in section 2.

#### 2 Main Results

An analogue of Theorem 2 in [4] is the following theorem. This theorem constitutes our main result.

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $\rho > 1, F \in \mathcal{H}(E)$  be meromorphic in  $D_{\rho}$ . Assume that

$$m^* := \liminf_{n \to \infty} m_n \ge d_k \tag{2.1}$$

and

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{m_n \ln n}{n} = 0, \qquad (2.2)$$

where k is a fixed number in  $\{0, 1, \ldots, m^* - 1\}$  and  $d_k$  denotes the number of poles of  $z^k F$  in  $D_{\rho}$ . Then, for any  $\beta > 0$ , each sequence  $\{R_{n,m_n,k}^E\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges in  $\beta$ -dimensional Hausdorff content to  $z^k F$  inside  $D_{\rho}$  as  $n \to \infty$ .

One of the consequences of Theorem 2.1 is a Montessus de Ballore type theorem for Padé-Faber approximants stated below.

**Corollary 2.2.** Let  $k \in \{0, 1, ..., m-1\}$  be fixed. Suppose that  $z^k F \in \mathcal{H}(E)$  has poles of total multiplicity exactly m in  $D_{\rho_m(z^k F)}$  at the (not necessarily distinct) points  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, ..., \lambda_m$ . Then,  $R^E_{n,m,k}$  is uniquely determined for all sufficiently large n and the sequence  $\{R^E_{n,m,k}\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  converges uniformly to  $z^k F$  inside  $D_{\rho_m(z^k F)} \setminus \{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, ..., \lambda_m\}$  as  $n \to \infty$ . Moreover, for any compact subset K of  $D_{\rho_m(z^k F)} \setminus \{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, ..., \lambda_m\}$ ,

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} \|z^k F - R_{n,m,k}^E\|_K^{1/n} \le \frac{\|\Phi\|_K}{\rho_m(z^k F)}$$

where  $\|\cdot\|_K$  denotes the sup-norm on K and if  $K \subset E$ , then  $\|\Phi\|_K$  is replaced by 1.

Here and in what follows, the phrase "uniformly inside a domain" means "uniformly on each compact subset of the domain".

The following corollary is an analogue of Corollary 2 in [4].

**Corollary 2.3.** Let  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  be fixed and  $F \in \mathcal{H}(E)$ . Denote by  $D_{\rho_{\infty}(z^k F)}$  the maximal canonical domain in which  $z^k F$  can be continued to a meromorphic function. Assume that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} m_n = \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{m_n \ln n}{n} = 0$$

Then, for any  $\beta > 0$ , each sequence  $\{R_{n,m_n,k}^E\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges in  $\beta$ -dimensional Hausdorff content to  $z^k F$  inside  $D_{\rho_{\infty}(z^k F)}$  as  $n \to \infty$ .

### **3** Notation and Auxiliary Results

For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $Q_{n,m_n}^E$  be the polynomial  $q_{n,m_n}^E$  normalized in terms of its zeros  $\lambda_{n,j}$  so that

$$Q_{n,m_n}^E(z) := \prod_{|\lambda_{n,j}| \le 1} (z - \lambda_{n,j}) \prod_{|\lambda_{n,j}| > 1} \left( 1 - \frac{z}{\lambda_{n,j}} \right)$$
(3.1)

and for all  $k = 0, 1, ..., m_n - 1$ ,

$$R_{n,m_n,k}^E = \frac{p_{n,m_n,k}^E}{q_{n,m_n}^E} = \frac{P_{n,m_n,k}^E}{Q_{n,m_n}^E}.$$

Now, we discuss some upper and lower estimates on the normalized  $Q_{n,m_n}^E$ in (3.1). Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , and  $F \in \mathcal{H}(E)$  be fixed. Suppose that the poles of  $z^k F$  in  $D_{\rho_d(z^k F)}$  are  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \ldots, \lambda_{d'}$  (they are not necessarily distinct and  $d' \leq d$ ) and the zeros of  $Q_{n,m_n}^E$  for F are  $\lambda_{n,1}, \lambda_{n,2}, \ldots, \lambda_{n,l_{m_n}}$  (they are not necessarily distinct and  $l_{m_n} \leq m_n$ ). We would like to emphasize that since  $0 \in E$ , for any  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$ ,  $D_{\rho_d(z^k F)} = D_{\rho_d(F)}$  and  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \ldots, \lambda_{d'}$  are exactly all the poles of F in  $D_{\rho_d(F)}$ . We cover each pole of  $z^k F$  in  $D_{\rho_d(z^k F)}$  with an open disk of radius  $(\varepsilon/(6d))^{1/\beta}$  and denote by  $J_{0,\varepsilon}^{\beta}(F,d)$  the union of these disks. For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we cover each zero of  $Q_{n,m_n}^E$  with an open disk of radius  $(\varepsilon/(6m_nn^2))^{1/\beta}$  and denote by  $J_{n,\varepsilon}^{\beta}(F)$  the union of these disks. Set for each  $\ell \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$J^{\beta}_{\varepsilon}(F,d;\ell) := J^{\beta}_{0,\varepsilon}(F,d) \bigcup \left(\bigcup_{n=\ell}^{\infty} J^{\beta}_{n,\varepsilon}(F)\right)$$
(3.2)

and

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$$J_{\varepsilon}^{\beta}(F,d) := J_{\varepsilon}^{\beta}(F,d;1)$$

Using the monotonicity and subadditivity of  $h_{\beta}$ , we have

$$\begin{split} h_{\beta}(J_{\varepsilon}^{\beta}(F,d)) &\leq h_{\beta}(J_{0,\varepsilon}^{\beta}(F,d)) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} h_{\beta}(J_{n,\varepsilon}^{\beta}(F)) \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{6} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\varepsilon}{6n^2} = \varepsilon \left(\frac{1}{6} + \frac{\pi^2}{6^2}\right) < \varepsilon. \end{split}$$

Note that  $J_{\varepsilon_1}^{\beta}(F,d) \subset J_{\varepsilon_2}^{\beta}(F,d)$  for  $\varepsilon_1 < \varepsilon_2$ . For any set  $B \subset D_{\rho_d(z^k F)}$ , we put  $B(\varepsilon) := B \setminus J_{\varepsilon}^{\beta}(F,d)$ . Clearly, if  $\{g_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges uniformly to g on  $K(\varepsilon)$  for any compact  $K \subset D_{\rho_d(F)}$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , then  $h_{\beta}$ -lim<sub> $n \to \infty$ </sub>  $g_n = g$  in  $D_{\rho_d(z^k F)}$ .

The normalization of  $Q_{n,m_n}^E$  provides the following useful upper and lower bounds on the estimation of  $Q_{n,m_n}^E$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** Fix  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $F \in \mathcal{H}(E)$ ,  $K \subset D_{\rho_d(z^k F)}$  be a compact set,  $\varepsilon > 0$  be fixed, and  $\ell \in \mathbb{N}$  be fixed. Suppose that

$$\liminf_{n \to \infty} m_n \ge d',$$

where d' is the total multiplicity of poles of  $z^k F$  in  $D_{\rho_d(z^k F)}$ , and

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{m_n \ln n}{n} = 0.$$

Then, there exist constants  $C_1 > 0$  and  $C_2 > 0$  independent of n such that for all sufficiently large n,

$$\|Q_{n,m_n}^E\|_K \le C_1^{m_n},\tag{3.3}$$

where  $\|\cdot\|_{K}$  is the sup-norm on K and

$$\min_{z \in K \setminus J^{\beta}_{\varepsilon}(F,d;\ell)} |Q^{E}_{n,m_n}(z)| \ge (C_2 m_n n^2)^{-2m_n/\beta},\tag{3.4}$$

where the above inequality is meaningful when  $K \setminus J_{\varepsilon}^{\beta}(F,d;\ell)$  is a nonempty set.

Proof of Lemma 3.1. Without loss of generality, we assume that K is a nonempty compact subset of  $D_{\rho_d(z^k F)}$ . Moreover, it is easy to check that if  $K = \{0\}$ , the inequalities (3.3) and (3.4) hold. Then, we can assume further that  $K \neq \{0\}$  and set  $M := ||z||_K > 0$ . Therefore, there exists  $S \in \mathbb{N}$  such that SM > 1. From the normalization of  $Q_{n,m_n}^E$ ,

$$\|Q_{n,m_n}^E\|_K = \max_{z \in K} \left| \prod_{|\lambda_{n,j}| \le 1} (z - \lambda_{n,j}) \prod_{|\lambda_{n,j}| > 1} \left( 1 - \frac{z}{\lambda_{n,j}} \right) \right| \le (M+1)^{m_n}$$

and for  $z \in K \setminus J_{\varepsilon}^{\beta}(F,d;\ell)$  and  $n \ge \ell$ ,

$$|Q_{n,m_n}^E(z)| = \left| \prod_{|\lambda_{n,j}| \le 1} (z - \lambda_{n,j}) \prod_{|\lambda_{n,j}| > 1} \left( 1 - \frac{z}{\lambda_{n,j}} \right) \right|$$
$$= \left| \prod_{|\lambda_{n,j}| \le 1} (z - \lambda_{n,j}) \prod_{1 < |\lambda_{n,j}| \le SM} \left( 1 - \frac{z}{\lambda_{n,j}} \right) \prod_{|\lambda_{n,j}| > SM} \left( 1 - \frac{z}{\lambda_{n,j}} \right) \right|$$
$$= \left| \prod_{|\lambda_{n,j}| \le 1} (z - \lambda_{n,j}) \prod_{1 < |\lambda_{n,j}| \le SM} \left( \frac{\lambda_{n,j} - z}{\lambda_{n,j}} \right) \prod_{|\lambda_{n,j}| > SM} \left( 1 - \frac{z}{\lambda_{n,j}} \right) \right|$$
$$\geq \prod_{|\lambda_{n,j}| \le 1} \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{6m_n n^2} \right)^{1/\beta} \prod_{1 < |\lambda_{n,j}| \le SM} \left[ \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{6m_n n^2} \right)^{1/\beta} \frac{1}{SM} \right] \prod_{|\lambda_{n,j}| > SM} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{S} \right).$$
(3.5)

Since  $(\varepsilon/(6m_nn^2))^{1/\beta} \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ , it is easy to see that for n sufficiently large,

$$\left(1-\frac{1}{S}\right) \ge \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{6m_n n^2}\right)^{1/\beta}$$
 and  $\frac{1}{SM} \ge \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{6m_n n^2}\right)^{1/\beta}$ 

Therefore, there exists a constant  $C_2 > 0$  such that the expression in (3.5) is greater than  $(C_2 m_n n^2)^{-(2m_n/\beta)}$ . This completes the proof.

Next, the following lemma (see, e.g., [5]) concerns the formula for computing  $\rho_0(F)$  and the domain of convergence of Faber polynomial expansions of holomorphic functions.

**Lemma 3.2.** Let  $F \in \mathcal{H}(E)$ . Then,

$$\rho_0(F) = \left(\limsup_{n \to \infty} |[F]_n|^{1/n}\right)^{-1}.$$

Moreover, the series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [F]_n \Phi_n$  converges to F uniformly inside  $D_{\rho_0(F)}$ .

As a consequence of Lemma 3.2 and Definition 1.1, if  $F \in \mathcal{H}(E)$ , then for any  $k = 0, 1, \ldots, m_n$ ,

$$z^{k}Q_{n,m_{n}}^{E}(z)F(z) - P_{n,m_{n},k}^{E}(z) = \sum_{\ell=n+1}^{\infty} [z^{k}Q_{n,m_{n}}^{E}F]_{\ell} \Phi_{\ell}(z), \qquad z \in D_{\rho_{0}(z^{k}F)},$$
(3.6)

and  $P_{n,m_n,k}^E = \sum_{\ell=0}^{n-1} [z^k Q_{n,m_n}^E F]_\ell \Phi_\ell$  are uniquely determined by  $Q_{n,m_n}^E$ .

The next lemma (see [6, p. 43] or [7, p. 583] for its proof) gives an estimate of Faber polynomials  $\Phi_n$  on a level curve.

**Lemma 3.3.** Let  $\rho > 1$  be fixed. Then, there exists c > 0 such that

$$\|\Phi_n\|_{\Gamma_{\rho}} \le c\rho^n, \qquad n \ge 0. \tag{3.7}$$

Indeed, by the maximum modulus principle, the inequalities in (3.7) can be replaced by the inequalities

$$\|\Phi_n\|_{\overline{D}_a} \le c\rho^n, \qquad n \ge 0, \tag{3.8}$$

which are used frequently in this paper.

The following lemma is about the uniqueness of  $Q_{n,m}^E$  (and  $q_{n,m}^E$ ).

**Lemma 3.4.** Let  $(n,m) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$  be fixed. Assume that for all  $q_{n,m}^E$  in Definition 1.1,  $\deg(q_{n,m}^E) = m$ . Then,  $q_{n,m}^E$  is unique.

Proof of Lemma 3.4. Let  $(n,m) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$  be fixed. From (1.1) and (1.2) in Definition 1.1, it is easy to check that a polynomial  $c_m z^m + c_{m-1} z^{m-1} + \ldots + c_0$  is  $q_{n,m}^E$  if

and only if  $c_m z^m + c_{m-1} z^{m-1} + \ldots + c_0$  is monic and the constants  $c_m, c_{m-1}, \ldots, c_0$  must satisfy the following equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} [z^m F]_n & [z^{m-1} F]_n & \dots & [F]_n \\ [z^{m+1} F]_n & [z^m F]_n & \dots & [zF]_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ [z^{2m-1} F]_n & [z^{2m-2} F]_n & \dots & [z^{m-1} F]_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_m \\ c_{m-1} \\ \vdots \\ c_0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$
(3.9)

For contradiction, let us suppose that there are distinct polynomials  $\hat{q} = z^m + \hat{c}_{m-1}z^{m-1} + \hat{c}_{m-2}z^{m-2} + \ldots + \hat{c}_0$  and  $\tilde{q} = z^m + \tilde{c}_{m-1}z^{m-1} + \tilde{c}_{m-2}z^{m-2} + \ldots + \tilde{c}_0$ satisfying (3.9). Let  $\check{q}$  be the polynomial  $\hat{q} - \tilde{q}$  normalized to be monic. Clearly, deg( $\check{q}$ ) < m and  $\check{q} \neq 0$  is a monic polynomial where all coefficients satisfying (3.9). Therefore,  $\check{q}$  is  $q_{n,m}^E$ . This contradicts with the assumption that for all  $q_{n,m}^E$ , deg $(q_{n,m}^E) = m$ .

The final lemma proved by Gonchar (see [4, Lemma 1]) allows us to derive uniform convergence on compact subsets of the region under consideration from convergence in  $h_1$ -content under appropriate assumptions.

**Lemma 3.5.** Suppose that  $h_1$ -lim $_{n\to\infty} g_n = g$  in D. Then the following assertions hold true:

- (i) If the functions  $g_n, n \in \mathbb{N}$ , are holomorphic in D, then the sequence  $\{g_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges uniformly inside D and g is holomorphic in D.
- (ii) If each of the functions  $g_n$  is meromorphic in D and has no more than  $k < +\infty$  poles in this domain, then the limit function g is also meromorphic and has no more than k poles in D.
- (iii) If each function  $g_n$  is meromorphic and has no more than  $k < +\infty$  poles in D and the function g is meromorphic and has exactly k poles in D, then all  $g_n, n \ge N$ , also have k poles in D; the poles of  $g_n$  tend to the poles  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \ldots, \lambda_k$  of g (taking account of their orders) and the sequence  $\{g_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ tends to g uniformly inside the domain  $D' = D \setminus \{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \ldots, \lambda_k\}$ .

## 4 Proofs of main results

Proof of Theorem 2.1. Let  $k \in \{0, 1, \ldots, m^* - 1\}$  be fixed and d be the number of poles of  $z^k F$  (counting multiplicities) in  $D_{\rho}$  (particularly, in  $D_{\rho_d(z^k F)}$ ). For  $j = 1, 2, \ldots, \gamma$ , let  $\alpha_j$  be a distinct pole of  $z^k F$  in  $D_{\rho_d(z^k F)}$ , and  $\tau_j$  be the order of  $\alpha_j$ . Note that since  $0 \in E$ ,  $D_{\rho_d(z^k F)} = D_{\rho_d(F)}$  and  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_{\gamma}$  are all the poles of F in  $D_{\rho_d(F)}$  with orders  $\tau_1, \tau_2, \ldots, \tau_{\gamma}$ , respectively.

In the first step, we want to show that for each  $j = 1, 2, ..., \gamma$ ,

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} |(Q_{n,m_n}^E)^{(u)}(\alpha_j)|^{1/n} \le \frac{|\Phi(\alpha_j)|}{\rho_d(F)},\tag{4.1}$$

where  $u = 0, 1, ..., \tau_j - 1$ . This can be done by induction. Let  $j \in \{1, 2, ..., \gamma\}$  be fixed. Define

$$\omega_d(z) := \prod_{j=1}^{\gamma} (z - \alpha_j)^{\tau_j},$$

where  $d = \sum_{j=1}^{\gamma} \tau_j$ ,

$$G_{\ell}(z) := \frac{\omega_d(z)F(z)}{(z-\alpha_j)^{\ell}}, \quad \text{and} \quad H_{\ell}(z) := (z-\alpha_j)^{\ell}G_{\ell}(z),$$

where  $\ell = 1, 2, ..., \tau_j$ . Note that  $H_{\ell}(\alpha_j) \neq 0$  for all  $\ell = 1, 2, ..., \tau_j$ . By Definition 1.1, since  $\deg(\omega_d/(z-\alpha_j)^\ell) = d-\ell \leq m_n-1$ , it is not difficult to check that

$$a_{n,n}^{(\ell)} := [G_{\ell}Q_{n,m_n}^E]_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_{\rho_1}} \frac{G_{\ell}(z)Q_{n,m_n}^E(z)\Phi'(z)}{\Phi^{n+1}(z)} dz = 0, \qquad (4.2)$$

where  $1 < \rho_1 < |\Phi(\alpha_j)|$ . Define

$$\tau_{n,n}^{(\ell)} := \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_{\rho_2}} \frac{G_{\ell}(z) Q_{n,m_n}^E(z) \Phi'(z)}{\Phi^{n+1}(z)} dz,$$

where  $|\Phi(\alpha_j)| < \rho_2 < \rho_d(F)$ . Because  $G_1 Q_{n,m_n}^E \Phi' / \Phi^{n+1}$  is meromorphic on  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : \rho_1 \leq |z| \leq \rho_2\}$  and has a pole at  $\alpha_j$  of order at most 1, it follows from Cauchy's Residue theorem to  $G_1 Q_{n,m_n}^E \Phi' / \Phi^{n+1}$  at  $\alpha_j$  that

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_{\rho_2}} \frac{G_1(z)Q_{n,m_n}^E(z)\Phi'(z)}{\Phi^{n+1}(z)} dz - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_{\rho_1}} \frac{G_1(z)Q_{n,m_n}^E(z)\Phi'(z)}{\Phi^{n+1}(z)} dz$$

$$= \operatorname{res} \left(G_1Q_{n,m_n}^E \Phi'/\Phi^{n+1}, \alpha_j\right)$$

$$= \lim_{z \to \alpha_j} \frac{(z-\alpha_j)G_1(z)Q_{n,m_n}^E(z)\Phi'(z)}{\Phi^{n+1}(z)}$$

$$= \frac{H_1(\alpha_j)Q_{n,m_n}^E(\alpha_j)\Phi'(\alpha_j)}{\Phi^{n+1}(\alpha_j)}.$$
(4.3)

From (4.2) and (4.3), we have

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_{\rho_2}} \frac{G_1(z) Q_{n,m_n}^E(z) \Phi'(z)}{\Phi^{n+1}(z)} dz = \frac{H_1(\alpha_j) Q_{n,m_n}^E(\alpha_j) \Phi'(\alpha_j)}{\Phi^{n+1}(\alpha_j)}, \qquad (4.4)$$

and by Lemma 3.1, we know that for all  $\ell = 1, 2, \ldots, \tau_j$ ,

$$\left| \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_{\rho_2}} \frac{G_{\ell}(z) Q_{n,m_n}^E(z) \Phi'(z)}{\Phi^{n+1}(z)} dz \right| \le \frac{c_1 c^{m_n}}{\rho_2^n},\tag{4.5}$$

where the numbers c and  $c_1$  do not depend on n (from now on, we will denote some constants that do not depend on n by  $c_2, c_3, c_4, \ldots$ ). By (4.4) and (4.5), we obtain

$$|Q_{n,m_n}^E(\alpha_j)| \le \frac{c_2 c^{m_n} |\Phi(\alpha_j)|^n}{\rho_2^n}$$

Letting  $\rho_2 \to \rho_d(F)$ , it is easy to check that

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} |Q_{n,m_n}^E(\alpha_j)|^{1/n} \le \frac{|\Phi(\alpha_j)|}{\rho_d(F)}.$$

Next, we suppose that the inequality (4.1) is true for  $u = 0, 1, \ldots, \ell - 2$ , where  $\ell = 2, 3, \ldots, \tau_j$ , and we will show that the inequality (4.1) holds for  $\ell - 1$ . Since  $G_\ell Q^E_{n,m_n} \Phi' / \Phi^{n+1}$  is meromorphic on  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : \rho_1 \leq |z| \leq \rho_2\}$  and has poles at  $\alpha_j$  of order at most  $\ell$ , it follows from Cauchy's Residue theorem to  $G_\ell Q^E_{n,m_n} \Phi' / \Phi^{n+1}$  at  $\alpha_j$  that

$$\begin{split} \tau_{n,n}^{(\ell)} - a_{n,n}^{(\ell)} &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_{\rho_2}} \frac{G_{\ell}(z) Q_{n,m_n}^E(z) \Phi'(z)}{\Phi^{n+1}(z)} dz - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_{\rho_1}} \frac{G_{\ell}(z) Q_{n,m_n}^E(z) \Phi'(z)}{\Phi^{n+1}(z)} dz \\ &= \operatorname{res} \left( G_{\ell} Q_{n,m_n}^E \Phi' / \Phi^{n+1}, \alpha_j \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{(\ell-1)!} \lim_{z \to \alpha_j} \left( \frac{(z - \alpha_j)^{\ell} G_{\ell}(z) Q_{n,m_n}^E(z) \Phi'(z)}{\Phi^{n+1}(z)} \right)^{(\ell-1)}. \end{split}$$

Using (4.2) and the Leibniz formula, we have

$$\tau_{n,n}^{(\ell)} = \frac{1}{(\ell-1)!} \sum_{t=0}^{\ell-1} {\binom{\ell-1}{t} \left(\frac{H_{\ell} \Phi'}{\Phi^{n+1}}\right)^{(\ell-1-t)} (\alpha_j) (Q_{n,m_n}^E)^{(t)} (\alpha_j)}.$$

Consequently,

$$(Q_{n,m_n}^E)^{(\ell-1)}(\alpha_j) = (\ell-1)! \tau_{n,n}^{(\ell)} \left(\frac{\Phi^{n+1}}{H_\ell \Phi'}\right) (\alpha_j) - \sum_{t=0}^{\ell-2} \binom{\ell-1}{t} \left(\frac{H_\ell \Phi'}{\Phi^{n+1}}\right)^{(\ell-1-t)} (\alpha_j) (Q_{n,m_n}^E)^{(t)}(\alpha_j) \left(\frac{\Phi^{n+1}}{H_\ell \Phi'}\right) (\alpha_j).$$
(4.6)

Let  $\delta > 0$  such that  $\rho_2 := \rho_d(F) - \delta > |\Phi(\alpha_j)|$ . Moreover, by (4.5),

$$|\tau_{n,n}^{(\ell)}| = \left| \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_{\rho_2}} \frac{G_{\ell}(z) Q_{n,m_n}^E(z) \Phi'(z)}{\Phi^{n+1}(z)} dz \right| \le \frac{c_1 c^{m_n}}{\rho_2^n},\tag{4.7}$$

and by Cauchy's integral formula, for all  $t = 0, 1, \ldots, \ell - 2$ ,

$$\left| \left( \frac{H_{\ell} \Phi'}{\Phi^{n+1}} \right)^{(\ell-1-t)} (\alpha_j) \right| = \left| \frac{(\ell-1-t)!}{2\pi i} \int_{|z-\alpha_j|=\varepsilon} \frac{H_{\ell}(z)\Phi'(z)}{(z-\alpha_j)^{\ell-t}\Phi^{n+1}(z)} dz \right|$$
$$\leq \frac{c_2}{(|\Phi(\alpha_j)|-\delta)^n}, \tag{4.8}$$

where  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - \alpha_j| = \varepsilon\} \subset \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |\Phi(z)| > |\Phi(\alpha_j)| - \delta\}$ . From (4.7) and (4.8), the equality (4.6) implies that

$$\begin{split} \limsup_{n \to \infty} |(Q_{n,m_n}^E)^{(\ell-1)}(\alpha_j)|^{1/n} \\ &= \limsup_{n \to \infty} \left| (\ell-1)! \tau_{n,n}^{(\ell)} \left( \frac{\Phi^{n+1}}{H_\ell \Phi'} \right) (\alpha_j) \\ &- \sum_{t=0}^{\ell-2} \binom{\ell-1}{t} \left( \frac{H_\ell \Phi'}{\Phi^{n+1}} \right)^{(\ell-1-t)} (\alpha_j) (Q_{n,m_n}^E)^{(t)}(\alpha_j) \left( \frac{\Phi^{n+1}}{H_\ell \Phi'} \right) (\alpha_j) \right|^{1/n} \\ &\leq \max \left\{ \frac{|\Phi(\alpha_j)|}{\rho_2}, \left( \frac{|\Phi(\alpha_j)|}{\rho_d(F)} \right) \left( \frac{|\Phi(\alpha_j)|}{|\Phi(\alpha_j)| - \delta} \right) \right\}. \end{split}$$

Letting  $\delta \to 0$ , we obtain the inequality

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} |(Q_{n,m_n}^E)^{(\ell-1)}(\alpha_j)|^{1/n} \le \frac{|\Phi(\alpha_j)|}{\rho_d(F)}.$$

Therefore, we have the inequality (4.1) for all  $u = 0, 1, ..., \tau_j - 1$ .

From (3.6), we obtain

$$z^{k}Q_{n,m_{n}}^{E}F - P_{n,m_{n},k}^{E} = \sum_{\ell=n+1}^{\infty} a_{\ell,n}^{(k)} \Phi_{\ell}, \qquad (4.9)$$

where

$$a_{\ell,n}^{(k)} := [z^k Q_{n,m_n}^E F]_{\ell}.$$

Multiplying the equation (4.9) by  $\omega_d$  and expanding the result in terms of Faber polynomial expansion, we have

$$z^{k}\omega_{d}Q_{n,m_{n}}^{E}F - \omega_{d}P_{n,m_{n},k}^{E} = \sum_{\ell=n+1}^{\infty} a_{\ell,n}^{(k)}\omega_{d}\Phi_{\ell} = \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} b_{\nu,n}^{(k)}\Phi_{\nu}$$
$$= \sum_{\nu=0}^{n+d} b_{\nu,n}^{(k)}\Phi_{\nu} + \sum_{\nu=n+d+1}^{\infty} b_{\nu,n}^{(k)}\Phi_{\nu}, \qquad (4.10)$$

where  $b_{\nu,n}^{(k)} := \sum_{\ell=n+1}^{\infty} a_{\ell,n}^{(k)} [\omega_d \Phi_\ell]_{\nu}$  or  $b_{\nu,n}^{(k)} := [z^k \omega_d Q_{n,m_n}^E F - \omega_d P_{n,m_n,k}^E]_{\nu}$ . Let K be a compact subset of  $D_{\rho_d(z^k F)}$  and set

$$\sigma := \max\{||\Phi||_K, 1\}$$

 $(\sigma = 1 \text{ when } K \subset E)$ . Next, we will estimate  $\sum_{\nu=n+d+1}^{\infty} |b_{\nu,n}^{(k)}| |\Phi_{\nu}(z)|$  on  $\overline{D}_{\sigma}$ . Since  $\deg(\omega_d P_{n,m_n,k}^E) < d+n$ , for all  $\nu \ge n+d+1$ ,

$$b_{\nu,n}^{(k)} := [z^k \omega_d Q_{n,m_n}^E F - \omega_d P_{n,m_n,k}^E]_{\nu} = [z^k \omega_d Q_{n,m_n}^E F]_{\nu}$$

$$=\frac{1}{2\pi i}\int_{\Gamma_{\rho_2}}\frac{z^k\omega_d(z)Q^E_{n,m_n}(z)F(z)\Phi'(z)}{\Phi^{\nu+1}(z)}dz,$$

where  $\sigma < \rho_2 < \rho_d(z^k F)$ . From Lemma 3.1, for sufficiently large n, it is easy to see that

$$|b_{\nu,n}^{(k)}| \le \frac{c_3 c^{m_n}}{\rho_2^{\nu}}.$$
(4.11)

By (3.8) and (4.11), we get

$$\left\|\sum_{\nu=n+d+1}^{\infty} |b_{\nu,n}^{(k)}| |\Phi_{\nu}|\right\|_{\overline{D}_{\sigma}} \le \sum_{\nu=n+d+1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{c_3 c^{m_n}}{\rho_2^{\nu}}\right) (c_4 \sigma^{\nu}) = c_5 c^{m_n} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\rho_2}\right)^n.$$
(4.12)

Consequently, as  $\rho_2 \to \rho_d(z^k F)$ , we have

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} \left\| \sum_{\nu=n+d+1}^{\infty} |b_{\nu,n}^{(k)}| |\Phi_{\nu}| \right\|_{\overline{D}_{\sigma}}^{1/n} \le \frac{\sigma}{\rho_d(z^k F)}.$$
(4.13)

Now, we find the estimate of  $\sum_{\nu=0}^{n+d} |b_{\nu,n}^{(k)}| |\Phi_{\nu}(z)|$  on  $\overline{D}_{\sigma}$ . By Definition 1.1, we know

$$a_{\ell,n}^{(k)} := \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_{\rho_1}} \frac{z^k Q_{n,m_n}^E(z) F(z) \Phi'(z)}{\Phi^{\ell+1}(z)} dz,$$

where  $1 < \rho_1 < \rho_0(z^k F)$ , and we define

$$\tau_{\ell,n}^{(k)} := \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_{\rho_2}} \frac{z^k Q_{n,m_n}^E(z) F(z) \Phi'(z)}{\Phi^{\ell+1}(z)} dz, \tag{4.14}$$

where  $\rho_{d-1}(z^k F) < \rho_2 < \rho_d(z^k F)$ . Because  $z^k Q_{n,m_n}^E F \Phi' / \Phi^{\ell+1}$  is meromorphic on  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : \rho_1 \leq |z| \leq \rho_2\}$  and has poles at  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_d$  of orders at most  $\tau_1, \tau_2, \ldots, \tau_d$ , respectively, it follows from Cauchy's Residue theorem that

$$\tau_{\ell,n}^{(k)} - a_{\ell,n}^{(k)} = \sum_{j=1}^{\gamma} \operatorname{res} \left( \frac{z^k Q_{n,m_n}^E(z) F(z) \Phi'(z)}{\Phi^{\ell+1}(z)}, \alpha_j \right)$$
$$= \sum_{j=1}^{\gamma} \frac{1}{(\tau_j - 1)!} \lim_{z \to \alpha_j} \left( \frac{(z - \alpha_j)^{\tau_j} z^k Q_{n,m_n}^E(z) F(z) \Phi'(z)}{\Phi^{\ell+1}(z)} \right)^{(\tau_j - 1)}$$
$$= \sum_{j=1}^{\gamma} \frac{1}{(\tau_j - 1)!} \sum_{u=0}^{\tau_j - 1} {\tau_j - 1 \choose u} \left( \frac{(z - \alpha_j)^{\tau_j} z^k F \Phi'}{\Phi^{\ell+1}} \right)^{(\tau_j - 1 - u)} (\alpha_j) (Q_{n,m_n}^E)^{(u)}(\alpha_j).$$
(4.15)

Let  $\delta > 0$ . By computations similar to (4.7) and (4.8), we have

$$|\tau_{\ell,n}^{(k)}| \le \frac{c_6 c^{m_n}}{\rho_2^{\ell}} \tag{4.16}$$

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and

$$\left| \left( \frac{(z - \alpha_j)^{\tau_j} z^k F \Phi'}{\Phi^{\ell+1}} \right)^{(\tau_j - 1 - u)} (\alpha_j) \right| \le \frac{c_7}{(|\Phi(\alpha_j)| - \delta)^{\ell}}.$$
(4.17)

Moreover, the inequalities (4.1) imply that for all  $u = 0, 1, \ldots, \tau_j - 1$ ,

$$|(Q_{n,m_n}^E)^{(u)}(\alpha_j)| \le c_8 \left(\frac{|\Phi(\alpha_j)| + \delta}{\rho_d(z^k F) + \delta}\right)^n \tag{4.18}$$

(recall that  $D_{\rho_d(z^k F)} = D_{\rho_d(F)}$ ). From (4.15), (4.16), (4.17), and (4.18), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |a_{\ell,n}^{(k)}| \leq &|\tau_{\ell,n}^{(k)}| \\ &+ \left| \sum_{j=1}^{\gamma} \frac{1}{(\tau_j - 1)!} \sum_{u=0}^{\tau_j - 1} {\tau_j - 1 \choose u} \left( \frac{(z - \alpha_j)^{\tau_j} z^k F \Phi'}{\Phi^{\ell+1}} \right)^{(\tau_j - 1 - u)} (\alpha_j) (Q_{n,m_n}^E)^{(u)} (\alpha_j) \right| \\ \leq &\frac{c_6 c^{m_n}}{\rho_2^\ell} + \frac{c_9}{(\rho_d(z^k F) + \delta)^n} \sum_{j=1}^{\gamma} \frac{(|\Phi(\alpha_j)| + \delta)^n}{(|\Phi(\alpha_j)| - \delta)^\ell}. \end{aligned}$$

Next, we estimate  $|[\omega_d \Phi_\ell]_{\nu}|$ . Suppose that  $\delta > 0$  is sufficiently small so that  $\rho_1 - \delta > 1$ . Then, by (3.7),

$$\left| [\omega_d \Phi_\ell]_\nu \right| = \left| \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma_{\rho_1 - \delta}} \frac{\omega_d(z) \Phi_\ell(z) \Phi'(z)}{\Phi^{\nu + 1}(z)} dz \right| \le \frac{c_{10}(\rho_1 - \delta)^\ell}{(\rho_1 - \delta)^\nu}.$$

Consequently, we get

$$\begin{aligned} |b_{\nu,n}^{(k)}| &\leq \sum_{\ell=n+1}^{\infty} |a_{\ell,n}^{(k)}| |[\omega_d \Phi_\ell]_{\nu}| \\ &\leq \sum_{\ell=n+1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{c_6 c^{m_n}}{\rho_2^{\ell}} + \frac{c_9}{(\rho_d(z^k F) + \delta)^n} \sum_{j=1}^{\gamma} \frac{(|\Phi(\alpha_j)| + \delta)^n}{(|\Phi(\alpha_j)| - \delta)^{\ell}} \right) \left( \frac{c_{10}(\rho_1 - \delta)^{\ell}}{(\rho_1 - \delta)^{\nu}} \right) \\ &= \frac{c_{11} c^{m_n}}{(\rho_1 - \delta)^{\nu}} \left( \frac{\rho_1 - \delta}{\rho_2} \right)^n + \frac{c_{12}(\rho_1 - \delta)^n}{(\rho_d(z^k F) + \delta)^n (\rho_1 - \delta)^{\nu}} \sum_{j=1}^{\gamma} \left( \frac{|\Phi(\alpha_j)| + \delta}{|\Phi(\alpha_j)| - \delta} \right)^n. \end{aligned}$$
(4.19)

Applying (3.8) and (4.19), we have

$$\sum_{\nu=0}^{n+d} |b_{\nu,n}^{(k)}| \|\Phi_{\nu}\|_{\overline{D}_{\sigma}}$$

$$\leq \left(c_{13}c^{m_n} \left(\frac{\rho_1 - \delta}{\rho_2}\right)^n + \frac{c_{14}(\rho_1 - \delta)^n}{(\rho_d(z^k F) + \delta)^n} \sum_{j=1}^{\gamma} \left(\frac{|\Phi(\alpha_j)| + \delta}{|\Phi(\alpha_j)| - \delta}\right)^n\right) \sum_{\nu=0}^{n+d} \left(\frac{\sigma}{(\rho_1 - \delta)}\right)^{\nu}$$

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$$\leq \left(c_{13}c^{m_n}\left(\frac{\rho_1-\delta}{\rho_2}\right)^n + \frac{c_{14}(\rho_1-\delta)^n}{(\rho_d(z^kF)+\delta)^n}\sum_{j=1}^{\gamma}\left(\frac{|\Phi(\alpha_j)|+\delta}{|\Phi(\alpha_j)|-\delta}\right)^n\right)\sum_{\nu=0}^{n+d}\sigma^{\nu}$$
$$\leq \left(c_{13}c^{m_n}\left(\frac{\rho_1-\delta}{\rho_2}\right)^n + \frac{c_{14}(\rho_1-\delta)^n}{(\rho_d(z^kF)+\delta)^n}\sum_{j=1}^{\gamma}\left(\frac{|\Phi(\alpha_j)|+\delta}{|\Phi(\alpha_j)|-\delta}\right)^n\right)(n+d+1)\sigma^{n+d}.$$

$$(4.20)$$

This implies that

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} \left\| \sum_{\nu=0}^{n+d} |b_{\nu,n}^{(k)}| |\Phi_{\nu}| \right\|_{\overline{D}_{\sigma}}^{1/n} \le \max\left\{ \frac{\sigma(\rho_1 - \delta)}{\rho_2}, \frac{\sigma(\rho_1 - \delta)}{\rho_d(z^k F) + \delta} \max_{j=1,\dots,\gamma} \left( \frac{|\Phi(\alpha_j)| + \delta}{|\Phi(\alpha_j)| - \delta} \right) \right\}.$$

Letting  $\delta \to 0$ ,  $\rho_1 \to 1^+$ , and  $\rho_2 \to \rho_d(z^k F)$ , we have

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} \left\| \sum_{\nu=0}^{n+d} |b_{\nu,n}^{(k)}| |\Phi_{\nu}| \right\|_{\overline{D}_{\sigma}}^{1/n} \le \frac{\sigma}{\rho_d(z^k F)}.$$
(4.21)

Finally, by (3.4), (4.10), (4.13) and (4.21), we obtain for sufficiently large  $\ell$ ,

$$\begin{split} & \limsup_{n \to \infty} \left\| z^k F - R_{n,m_n,k}^E \right\| \frac{1/n}{\overline{D}_{\sigma} \setminus J_{\varepsilon}^{\beta}(F,d;\ell)} \\ & \leq \limsup_{n \to \infty} \left\| \sum_{\nu=0}^{n+d} \frac{b_{\nu,n}^{(k)} \Phi_{\nu}}{w_d Q_{n,m_n}^E} + \sum_{\nu=n+d+1}^{\infty} \frac{b_{\nu,n}^{(k)} \Phi_{\nu}}{w_d Q_{n,m_n}^E} \right\|_{\overline{D}_{\sigma} \setminus J_{\varepsilon}^{\beta}(F,d;\ell)}^{1/n}, \\ & \leq \frac{\sigma}{\rho_d(z^k F)} \cdot \limsup_{n \to \infty} \left( \frac{1}{\sum_{z \in K \setminus J_{\varepsilon}^{\beta}(F,d;\ell)} |Q_{n,m_n}^E(z)|} \right)^{1/n} \\ & \leq \frac{\sigma}{\rho_d(z^k F)} \cdot \limsup_{n \to \infty} (c_{15} m_n n^2)^{\frac{2m_n}{n\beta}} = \frac{\sigma}{\rho_d(z^k F)}, \end{split}$$
(4.22)

where  $c_{15} > 0$  and the last equality follows from the limit condition (2.2). Therefore, for any  $\beta > 0$ ,  $h_{\beta}$ -lim<sub> $n \to \infty$ </sub>  $R^E_{n,m_n,k} = z^k F$  in  $D_{\rho_d(z^k F)}$ . Since  $D_{\rho} \subset D_{\rho_d(z^k F)}$ ,  $h_{\beta}$ -lim<sub> $n \to \infty$ </sub>  $R^E_{n,m_n,k} = z^k F$  in  $D_{\rho}$ .

Proof of Corollary 2.2. Let  $k \in \{0, 1, \ldots, m-1\}$  be fixed. By the assumption of Corollary 2.2, we have  $m_n = m$ . Then, the conditions (2.1) and (2.2) in Theorem 2.1 are obtained. By Theorem 2.1, we get  $h_1-\lim_{n\to\infty} R^E_{n,m_n,k} = z^k F$  in  $D_{\rho_d(z^k F)}$ . Applying (*iii*) in Lemma 3.5, we get that each pole of  $z^k F$  in  $D_{\rho_m(z^k F)}$  attracts as many zeros of  $Q^E_{n,m}$  as its order. Therefore, since  $z^k F$  has m poles in  $D_{\rho_m(z^k F)}$ , deg  $Q^E_{n,m} = m$  for all sufficiently large n. Applying Lemma 3.4,  $Q^E_{n,m}$  is unique for

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all such n. From the discussion below (3.6), since  $P_{n,m,k}^E$  is uniquely determined by  $Q_{n,m}^E$ ,  $R_{n,m,k}^E$  is also unique for all such n.

Let  $K \subset D_{\rho_d(z^k F)} \setminus \{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_m\}$  be a compact set. Choose  $\sigma := \max\{\|\Phi\|_K, 1\}$ . Since all points  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_m$  attract all zeros of  $Q_{n,m}^E$ , for sufficiently small  $\epsilon > 0$  and large  $\ell$ ,

$$K \subset \overline{D}_{\sigma} \setminus J^{\beta}_{\epsilon}(F, d: \ell).$$

By the inequality (4.22), we have

$$\begin{split} \limsup_{n \to \infty} \left\| z^k F - R_{n,m,k}^E \right\|_K^{1/n} &\leq \limsup_{n \to \infty} \left\| z^k F - R_{n,m,k}^E \right\|_{\overline{D}_{\sigma} \setminus J_{\epsilon}^{\beta}(F,d;\ell)}^{1/n} \\ &\leq \frac{\sigma}{\rho_d(z^k F)}. \end{split}$$

This implies that the sequence  $\{R_{n,m,k}^E\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  converges uniformly to  $z^k F$  inside  $D_{\rho_m(z^k F)} \setminus \{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_m\}$  as  $n \to \infty$ . The proof is completed.  $\Box$ 

Proof of Corollary 2.3. Let K be a compact subset of  $D_{\rho_{\infty}(z^k F)}$ , and let  $\varepsilon > 0, \beta > 0$ , and  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$  be fixed. Then, since K is compact,  $K \subset D_{\rho_d(z^k F)}$  for some  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ . Clearly,  $\lim_{n\to\infty} m_n \ge d$ . Applying Theorem 2.1, because  $h_{\beta}-\lim_{n\to\infty} R^E_{n,m_n,k} = z^k F$  in  $D_{\rho_d(z^k F)}$ ,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} h_{\beta} \{ z \in K : |R_{n,m_n,k}^E(z) - z^k F(z)| > \varepsilon \} = 0.$$

This completes the proof.

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