

# On the representation of meromorphic functions

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Let  $\Omega$  be a domain in the complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $0 \in \Omega$ . Denote by  $H(\Omega)$  the space of holomorphic functions on  $\Omega$ . Let  $H(\Omega; M) := \{f \in H(\Omega) : \sup_{z \in \Omega} \frac{|f(z)|}{\exp M(z)} < \infty\}$  where  $M$  is a subharmonic continuous function on  $\Omega$  with Riesz measure  $\nu_M$ . Let  $f/g$  be a meromorphic function on  $\Omega$ ,  $f, g \in H(\Omega)$ . Here we propose a new general method of attack on the following problem: *under what conditions there are functions  $f_0, g_0 \in H(\Omega; M)$  without common zeros such that  $f/g = f_0/g_0$ ?*

Let  $h: \Omega^2 \rightarrow (-\infty, +\infty)$  be a Borel-measurable function which is locally bounded, and, for every fixed point  $w \in \Omega$ , the function  $h(w, \cdot)$  is harmonic on  $\Omega$ . The function  $k(w, z) := \log |w - z| + h(w, z)$ ,  $(w, z) \in \Omega^2$ , is a subharmonic kernel on  $\Omega$ . Such a kernel  $k$  on  $\Omega$  is suitable for  $M$  if for any  $z \in \Omega$  there are a relatively compact subdomain  $D_z \ni z$  of  $\Omega$  and a function  $q \in L^1(\Omega \setminus D_z, d\nu_M)$  such that  $|k(w, \zeta)| \leq q(w)$ ,  $\forall w \in \Omega \setminus D_z, \forall \zeta \in D_z$ . In that case  $M(z) = \int_{\Omega} k(w, z) d\nu_M(w) + H(z)$ ,  $z \in \Omega$ , where  $H$  is harmonic on  $\Omega$ . Let  $a^+ := \max\{0, a\}$ ,  $\int_{\Omega} (k(w, 0) - k(w, z))^+ d\nu_M(w) \leq Q(z)$  for all  $z \in \Omega$  where  $Q$  is continuous on  $\Omega$ .

**Main Theorem** [Kh05]. *Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$  be a  $n$ -connected domain,  $M$  be a continuous subharmonic function on  $\Omega$ ,  $k$  be a suitable subharmonic kernel on  $\Omega$  for  $M$ , and  $f, g \in H(\Omega)$ . Suppose that  $f, g \in H(\Omega; M)$  or there is a constant  $C$  such that  $\int \log \max\{|f|, |g|\} d\omega_D(0, \cdot) \leq \int M d\omega_D(0, \cdot) + C$  for all connected unions  $D \ni 0$  of finite numbers of relatively compact open disks of  $\Omega$  where  $\omega_D(0, \cdot)$  is the harmonic measure for  $D$  at 0. Then there are a constant  $b < n - 1$  and  $f_0, g_0 \in H(\Omega; M + Q + b^+(\log |\cdot|)^+)$  without common zeros such that  $f/g = f_0/g_0$  where  $Q$  is defined above. If the interior of  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$  is nonempty, then  $b^+ = 0$ .*

Let  $\mathbb{D}$  be the open unit disk. If  $M$  is a function on  $[0, 1)$ , then we extend  $M(z) \equiv M(|z|)$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{D}$  and  $H(\mathbb{D}; M)$  is well defined.

**Theorem** [Kh04; Theorem 0.1]. *Let  $M \geq 0$  be a increasing convex function of  $\log$  on  $[0, 1)$  and  $\int_r^{1^-} (1 - t) dM(t) = O(1 - r)$  as  $r \rightarrow 1^-$ . If  $f, g \in H(\mathbb{D}; M)$ , then there are  $f_0, g_0 \in H(\mathbb{D}; M)$  without common zeros such that  $f/g = f_0/g_0$ .*

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