



General Milloux Inequality for Algebroid Functions on Annuli

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Abstract: The purpose of this paper is to establish the general form of Milloux inequality for algebroid function on annuli when the multiple values are considered.

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1. Introduction

The uniqueness theory of algebroid functions is an interesting problem in the value distribution theory. The uniqueness problem of algebroid functions was firstly considered by Valiron, afterwards some scholars have got several uniqueness theorems of algebroid functions in the complex plane \mathbb{C} (see [3, 11]). In 2005, A. Ya. Khrystyanyan and A. A. Kondratyuk have proposed on the Nevanlinna Theory for meromorphic functions on annuli (see [4, 5]) and after this work others have done lot of work in this area (see [8, 12, 13]). In 2009, Cao and Yi [1] investigated the uniqueness of meromorphic functions sharing some values on annuli. In 2015, Yang Tan [6], Yang Tan and Yue Wang [7] proved some interesting results on the multiple values and uniqueness of algebroid functions on annuli. Thus it is interesting to consider the uniqueness problem of algebroid functions in multiply connected domains. By Doubly connected mapping theorem [10] each doubly connected domain is conformally equivalent to the annulus $\{z : r < |z| < R\}, 0 \leq r < R \leq +\infty$. We consider only two cases : $r = 0, R = +\infty$ simultaneously and $0 \leq r < R \leq +\infty$. In the latter case the homothety $z \mapsto \frac{z}{rR}$ reduces the given domain to the annulus $\mathbb{A} \left(\frac{1}{R_0}, R_0 \right) = \left\{ z : \frac{1}{R_0} < |z| < R_0 \right\}$, where $R_0 = \sqrt{\frac{R}{r}}$. Thus, in two cases every annulus is invariant with respect to the inversion $z \mapsto \frac{1}{z}$.

2. Basic Notations and Definitions

We assume that the reader is familiar with the Nevanlinna theory of meromorphic functions and algebroid functions (see [2, 9]). Let $A_v(z), A_{v-1}(z), \dots, A_0(z)$ be a group of analytic functions which have no common zeros and define on the annulus $\mathbb{A} \left(\frac{1}{R_0}, R_0 \right)$ ($1 < R_0 \leq +\infty$) and

$$\psi(z, W) = A_v(z)W^v + A_{v-1}(z)W^{v-1} + \dots + A_1(z)W + A_0(z) = 0, \quad (1)$$

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then irreducible equation (1) defines a ν -valued algebraic function on the annulus $\mathbb{A}\left(\frac{1}{R_0}, R_0\right)$ ($1 < R_0 \leq +\infty$). Let $W(z)$ be a ν -valued algebraic function on the annulus $\mathbb{A}\left(\frac{1}{R_0}, R_0\right)$ ($1 < R_0 \leq +\infty$), we use the notations

$$m(r, W) = \frac{1}{\nu} \sum_{j=1}^{\nu} m(r, w_j) = \frac{1}{\nu} \sum_{j=1}^{\nu} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log^+ |w_j(re^{i\theta})| d\theta,$$

$$\begin{aligned} N_1(r, W) &= \frac{1}{\nu} \int_{\frac{1}{r}}^1 \frac{n_1(t, W)}{t} dt, & N_2(r, W) &= \frac{1}{\nu} \int_1^r \frac{n_2(t, W)}{t} dt, \\ \bar{N}_1\left(r, \frac{1}{W-a}\right) &= \frac{1}{\nu} \int_{\frac{1}{r}}^1 \frac{\bar{n}_1\left(t, \frac{1}{W-a}\right)}{t} dt, & \bar{N}_2\left(r, \frac{1}{W-a}\right) &= \frac{1}{\nu} \int_1^r \frac{\bar{n}_2\left(t, \frac{1}{W-a}\right)}{t} dt, \\ \bar{N}_1^{(k)}\left(r, \frac{1}{W-a}\right) &= \frac{1}{\nu} \int_{\frac{1}{r}}^1 \frac{\bar{n}_1^{(k)}\left(t, \frac{1}{W-a}\right)}{t} dt, & \bar{N}_2^{(k)}\left(r, \frac{1}{W-a}\right) &= \frac{1}{\nu} \int_1^r \frac{\bar{n}_2^{(k)}\left(t, \frac{1}{W-a}\right)}{t} dt, \\ \bar{N}_1^{(k)}\left(r, \frac{1}{W-a}\right) &= \frac{1}{\nu} \int_{\frac{1}{r}}^1 \frac{\bar{n}_1^{(k)}\left(t, \frac{1}{W-a}\right)}{t} dt, & \bar{N}_2^{(k)}\left(r, \frac{1}{W-a}\right) &= \frac{1}{\nu} \int_1^r \frac{\bar{n}_2^{(k)}\left(t, \frac{1}{W-a}\right)}{t} dt, \\ m_0(r, W) &= m(r, W) + m\left(\frac{1}{r}, W\right) - 2m(1, W), & N_0(r, W) &= N_1(r, W) + N_2(r, W), \\ \bar{N}_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W-a}\right) &= \bar{N}_1\left(r, \frac{1}{W-a}\right) + \bar{N}_2\left(r, \frac{1}{W-a}\right), & \bar{N}_0^k\left(r, \frac{1}{W-a}\right) &= \bar{N}_1^k\left(r, \frac{1}{W-a}\right) + \bar{N}_2^k\left(r, \frac{1}{W-a}\right), \end{aligned}$$

where $w_j(z)$ ($j = 1, 2, \dots, \nu$) is one valued branch of $W(z)$, $n_1(t, W)$ is the counting functions of poles of the function $W(z)$ in $\{z : t < |z| \leq 1\}$ and $n_2(t, W)$ is the counting functions of poles of the function $W(z)$ in $\{z : 1 < |z| \leq t\}$ (both counting multiplicity). $\bar{n}_1\left(t, \frac{1}{W-a}\right)$ is the counting functions of poles of the function $\frac{1}{W-a}$ in $\{z : t < |z| \leq 1\}$ and $\bar{n}_2\left(t, \frac{1}{W-a}\right)$ is the counting functions of poles of the function $\frac{1}{W-a}$ in $\{z : 1 < |z| \leq t\}$ (both ignoring multiplicity). $n_1^k(t, a, W)$ is the number of zeros of $W - a$ in $\{z : t < |z| \leq 1\}$ and $n_2^k(t, a, W)$ is the number of zeros of $W - a$ in $\{z : 1 < |z| \leq t\}$, where zero of order $< k$ is counted according to it's multiplicity and a zero of order $\geq k$ is counted exactly k times, respectively.

Let $W(z)$ be a ν -valued algebraic function which determined by (1) on the annulus $\mathbb{A}\left(\frac{1}{R_0}, R_0\right)$ ($1 < R_0 \leq +\infty$), when $a \in \mathbb{C}$, $n_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W-a}\right) = n_0\left(r, \frac{1}{\psi(z,a)}\right)$, $N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W-a}\right) = \frac{1}{\nu} N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{\psi(z,a)}\right)$. In particular, when $a = 0$, $N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W}\right) = \frac{1}{\nu} N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{A_0}\right)$. When $a = \infty$, $N_0(r, W) = \frac{1}{\nu} N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{A_v}\right)$; where $n_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W-a}\right)$ and $n_0\left(r, \frac{1}{\psi(z,a)}\right)$ are the counting function of zeros of $W(z) - a$ and $\psi(z, a)$ on the annulus $\mathbb{A}\left(\frac{1}{R_0}, R_0\right)$ ($1 < R_0 \leq +\infty$), respectively.

Definition 2.1 ([6]). Let $W(z)$ be an algebraic function on the annulus $\mathbb{A}\left(\frac{1}{R_0}, R_0\right)$ ($1 < R_0 \leq +\infty$), the function

$$T_0(r, W) = m_0(r, W) + N_0(r, W), \quad 1 \leq r < R_0$$

is called Nevanlinna characteristic of $W(z)$.

3. Some Lemmas

Lemma 3.1 (The first fundamental theorem on annuli [7]). Let $W(z)$ be ν -valued algebraic function which is determined by (1) on the annulus $\mathbb{A}\left(\frac{1}{R_0}, R_0\right)$ ($1 < R_0 \leq +\infty$), $a \in \mathbb{C}$

$$T_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W-a}\right) = m_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W-a}\right) + N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W-a}\right) = T_0(r, W) + O(1).$$

Lemma 3.2 (The second fundamental theorem on annuli [13]). *Let $W(z)$ be ν -valued algebroid function which is determined by (1) on the annulus $\mathbb{A}\left(\frac{1}{R_0}, R_0\right)$ ($1 < R_0 \leq +\infty$), a_k ($k = 1, 2, \dots, p$) are p distinct complex numbers (finite or infinite), then we have*

$$(p - 2\nu)T_0(r, W) \leq \sum_{k=1}^p N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W - a_k}\right) - N_1(r, W) + S_0(r, W) \tag{2}$$

where $N_1(r, W)$ is the density index of all multiple values including finite or infinite, every τ multiple value counts $\tau - 1$, and

$$S_0(r, W) = m_0\left(r, \frac{W'}{W}\right) + \sum_{j=1}^p m_0\left(r, \frac{W'}{W - a_k}\right) + O(1).$$

The remainder of the second fundamental theorem is the following formula

$$S_0(r, W) = O(\log T_0(r, W)) + O(\log r),$$

outside a set of finite linear measure, if $r \rightarrow R_0 = +\infty$, while

$$S_0(r, W) = O(\log T_0(r, W)) + O\left(\log \frac{1}{R_0 - r}\right),$$

outside a set E of r such that $\int_E \frac{dr}{R_0 - r} < +\infty$, when $r \rightarrow R_0 < +\infty$.

Lemma 3.3 ([7]). *Let $W(z)$ be ν -valued algebroid function which is determined by (1) on the annulus $\mathbb{A}\left(\frac{1}{R_0}, R_0\right)$ ($1 < R_0 \leq +\infty$), if the following conditions are satisfied*

$$\liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{T_0(r, W)}{\log r} < \infty, \quad R_0 = +\infty,$$

$$\liminf_{r \rightarrow R_0^-} \frac{T_0(r, W)}{\log \frac{1}{(R_0 - r)}} < \infty, \quad R_0 < +\infty,$$

then $W(z)$ is an algebraic function.

4. Main Results

Now we prove the general form of Milloux inequality, which is our main result of this paper.

Theorem 4.1 (General form of Milloux inequality). *Let $W(z)$ be a ν -valued algebroid function determined by (1) on the annulus $\mathbb{A}\left(\frac{1}{R_0}, R_0\right)$ ($1 < R_0 \leq +\infty$). Let $a^{[i]}, b^{[j]} \in (i = 1, 2, \dots, p; j = 1, 2, \dots, q)$ be distinct finite complex numbers such that $b^{[j]} \neq 0$ ($j = 1, 2, \dots, q$) and let m_i, n_j ($i = 1, 2, \dots, p; j = 1, 2, \dots, q$) and l be any positive integers. Then*

$$\left\{ pq - \left(\sum_{i=1}^p \frac{kq + 1}{m_i + 1} + \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{1}{n_j + 1} + \frac{1}{l + 1} \left(1 + k \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{1}{n_j + 1} \right) \right) \right\} T_0(r, W) \leq \frac{1}{l + 1} \left(1 + k \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{1}{n_j + 1} \right) \overline{N}_0^l(r, W) + (kq + 1) \sum_{i=1}^p \overline{N}_0^{m_i} \left(r, \frac{1}{W - a^{[i]}} \right) + \sum_{j=1}^q \overline{N}_0^{n_j} \left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)} - b^{[j]}} \right) + S_0(r, W). \tag{3}$$

Proof. We have

$$\begin{aligned} T_0(r, W') &= m_0(r, W') + N_0(r, W') \\ &\leq m_0(r, W) + m_0\left(r, \frac{W'}{W}\right) + N_0(r, W') \\ &\leq m_0(r, W) + N_0(r, W) + \overline{N}_0(r, W) + N_x(r, W) + S_0(r, W) \\ &\leq m_0(r, W) + N_0(r, W) + \overline{N}_0(r, W) + 2(\nu - 1)T_0(r, W) + S_0(r, W) \\ &\leq (2\nu - 1)T_0(r, W) + \overline{N}_0(r, W) + S_0(r, W) \\ &\leq 2\nu T_0(r, W) + S_0(r, W). \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

By Lemma 3.2, we get

$$S_0(r, W^{(k)}) = O(\log r T_0(r, W^{(k)})) = O(\log r T_0(r, W)) = S_0(r, W) \tag{5}$$

and hence

$$m_0\left(r, \frac{W^{(k)}}{W - a^{[i]}}\right) = S_0(r, W) \tag{6}$$

holds for any positive $a^{[i]}$. Put

$$F(z) = \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{1}{W(z) - a^{[i]}}.$$

Then as in [11], we have

$$\begin{aligned} m(r, F) + O(1) &\geq \sum_{i=1}^p m\left(r, \frac{1}{W(z) - a^{[i]}}\right). \\ m\left(\frac{1}{r}, F\right) &\geq \sum_{i=1}^p m\left(r, \frac{1}{W(z) - a^{[i]}}\right). \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

In fact, (7) holds if $p = 1$. If $p \geq 2$, put

$$\delta = \min_{i \neq j} |a^{[i]} - a^{[j]}|.$$

Obviously $\delta > 0$. For fixed z , there exist some k in $\{1, 2, \dots, \nu\}$ and some i in $\{1, 2, \dots, q\}$, such that

$$|w_k - a^{[i]}| < \frac{\delta}{2q} \leq \frac{\delta}{4},$$

the inequality

$$|w_k(z) - a^{[j]}| \geq |a^{[i]} - a^{[j]}| - |w_k(z) - a^{[i]}| \geq \frac{3\delta}{4},$$

for $i \neq j$. Therefore the set of points on $\partial\mathbb{C}_r$, where $\mathbb{C}_r = \{z : |z| = r\}$ ($r = r$ or $r = \frac{1}{r}$), which is determined by $|w_k(z) - a^{[i]}| < \frac{\delta}{2q}$ is either empty or any two such sets for different i have empty intersection. In any case

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log^+ |F(re^{i\theta})| d\theta &\geq \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{i=1}^q \int_{|w_k - a^{[i]}| < \frac{\delta}{2q}, |z|=r} \log^+ |F(re^{i\theta})| d\theta \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{i=1}^q \int_{|w_k - a^{[i]}| < \frac{\delta}{2q}, |z|=r} \log^+ \frac{1}{|w_k(re^{i\theta}) - a^{[i]}|} d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

Because of

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{i=1}^q \int_{|w_k - a^{[i]}| < \frac{\delta}{2q}, |z|=r} \log^+ \frac{1}{|w_k(re^{i\theta}) - a^{[i]}|} d\theta &= m\left(r, \frac{1}{W(z) - a^{[i]}}\right) \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{i=1}^q \int_{|w_k - a^{[i]}| \geq \frac{\delta}{2q}, |z|=r} \log^+ \frac{1}{|w_k(re^{i\theta}) - a^{[i]}|} d\theta \\ &\geq m\left(r, \frac{1}{W(z) - a^{[i]}}\right) - q \log^+ \frac{2q}{\delta}. \end{aligned}$$

we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} m(r, F) &= \frac{1}{\nu} \sum_{k=1}^{\nu} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log^+ |F(re^{i\theta})| d\theta \geq \frac{1}{\nu} \sum_{k=1}^{\nu} \sum_{i=1}^q m\left(r, \frac{1}{W(z) - a^{[i]}}\right) - \frac{1}{\nu} \log^+ \frac{2q}{\delta} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^q m\left(r, \frac{1}{W(z) - a^{[i]}}\right) - \frac{1}{\nu} \log^+ \frac{2q}{\delta}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence (7) follows from above inequality under the case of $r = r$ and $r = \frac{1}{r}$. Since

$$\begin{aligned} m(r, F) &= m(r, W^{(k)}F) + m\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}}\right) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^p m\left(r, \frac{W^{(k)}}{W - a^{[i]}}\right) + m\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}}\right) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} m\left(\frac{1}{r}, F\right) &= m\left(\frac{1}{r}, W^{(k)}F\right) + m\left(\frac{1}{r}, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}}\right) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^p m\left(\frac{1}{r}, \frac{W^{(k)}}{W - a^{[i]}}\right) + m\left(\frac{1}{r}, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$m_0(r, F) \leq \sum_{i=1}^p m_0\left(r, \frac{W^{(k)}}{W - a^{[i]}}\right) + m_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}}\right). \tag{8}$$

It follows from (5), (8) and Lemma 3.1 that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^p m_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W(z) - a^{[i]}}\right) &\leq m_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}}\right) + S_0(r, W) \\ &\leq T_0(r, W^{(k)}) - N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}}\right) + S_0(r, W). \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

Thus

$$pT_0(r, W) \leq \sum_{i=1}^p N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W(z) - a^{[i]}}\right) + T_0(r, W^{(k)}) - N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}}\right) + S_0(r, W). \tag{10}$$

Now it follows from Lemma 3.1 and Lemma 3.2 and (5) that

$$\begin{aligned} qT_0(r, W^{(k)}) &\leq \sum_{i=1}^q N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}(z) - b^{[i]}}\right) + N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}}\right) + N_0(r, W^{(k)}) \\ &\quad - (N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k+1)}}\right) + 2N_0(r, W^{(k)}) - N_0(r, W^{(k+1)}) + S_0(r, W^{(k)})) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^q N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}(z) - b^{[i]}}\right) + N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}}\right) - N_0(r, W^{(k)}) \\ &\quad + N_0(r, W^{(k+1)}) - N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k+1)}}\right) + S_0(r, W) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^q N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}(z) - b^{[i]}}\right) + N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}}\right) + \bar{N}_0(r, W) - N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k+1)}}\right) + S_0(r, W) \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

Next, multiplying q on both sides of equation (10) then we get

$$pqT_0(r, W) \leq q \sum_{i=1}^p N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W(z) - a^{[i]}}\right) + qT_0(r, W^{(k)}) - qN_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}}\right) + S_0(r, W). \tag{12}$$

It follows from (12) and (11) that

$$\begin{aligned} pqT_0(r, W) &\leq q \sum_{i=1}^p N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W(z) - a^{[i]}}\right) + \sum_{i=1}^q N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}(z) - b^{[i]}}\right) + N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}}\right) + \bar{N}_0(r, W) \\ &\quad - N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k+1)}}\right) - qN_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}}\right) + S_0(r, W) \\ pqT_0(r, W) &\leq \bar{N}_0(r, W) + (q-1) \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^p N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W(z) - a^{[i]}}\right) - N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}}\right) \right\} \\ &\quad + \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^p N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W(z) - a^{[i]}}\right) + \sum_{i=1}^q N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}(z) - b^{[i]}}\right) - N_0\left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k+1)}}\right) \right\} + S_0(r, W). \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

A zero of $W(z) - a^{[i]}$ of order $s > k$ is a zero of $W^{(k+1)}$ of order $s - (k + 1)$ and a zero of $W^{(k)} - b^{[j]}$ of order s is a zero of $W^{(k+1)}$ of order $s - 1$. Further, zeros of $W - a^{[i]}$ of order $> k$ are zeros of $W^{(k)}$ and so are not zeros of $W^{(k)} - b^{[j]}$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^p N_0 \left(r, \frac{1}{W(z) - a^{[i]}} \right) + \sum_{i=1}^q N_0 \left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}(z) - b^{[j]}} \right) - N_0 \left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k+1)}} \right) \\ \leq \sum_{i=1}^p N_0^{k+1} \left(r, \frac{1}{W(z) - a^{[i]}} \right) + \sum_{i=1}^q N_0 \left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}(z) - b^{[j]}} \right) \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

and

$$\sum_{i=1}^q N_0 \left(r, \frac{1}{W(z) - a^{[i]}} \right) - N_0 \left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}} \right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^p N_0^k \left(r, \frac{1}{W - a^{[i]}} \right). \tag{15}$$

Substituting (14) and (15) to (13), we obtain

$$pqT_0(r, W) \leq \bar{N}_0(r, W) + (q - 1) \sum_{i=1}^p N_0^k \left(r, \frac{1}{W - a^{[i]}} \right) \sum_{i=1}^p N_0^{k+1} \left(r, \frac{1}{W(z) - a^{[i]}} \right) + \sum_{i=1}^q N_0 \left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}(z) - b^{[j]}} \right). \tag{16}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} N_0^{k+1} \left(r, \frac{1}{W - a^{[i]}} \right) &\leq (k + 1) \bar{N}_0 \left(r, \frac{1}{W - a^{[i]}} \right) \\ &\leq \frac{k + 1}{m_i + 1} \left\{ m_i \bar{N}_0^{m_i} \left(r, \frac{1}{W - a^{[i]}} \right) + N_0 \left(r, \frac{1}{W - a^{[i]}} \right) \right\} \\ &\leq \frac{k + 1}{m_i + 1} \left\{ m_i \bar{N}_0^{m_i} \left(r, \frac{1}{W - a^{[i]}} \right) + T_0(r, W) \right\} + O(1), \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} N_0^k \left(r, \frac{1}{W - a^{[i]}} \right) &\leq k \bar{N}_0 \left(r, \frac{1}{W - a^{[i]}} \right) \\ &\leq \frac{k}{m_i + 1} \left\{ m_i \bar{N}_0^{m_i} \left(r, \frac{1}{W - a^{[i]}} \right) + N_0 \left(r, \frac{1}{W - a^{[i]}} \right) \right\} \\ &\leq \frac{k}{m_i + 1} \left\{ m_i \bar{N}_0^{m_i} \left(r, \frac{1}{W - a^{[i]}} \right) + T_0(r, W) \right\} + O(1), \end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

Similarly, we can get

$$\bar{N}_0 \left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)} - b^{[j]}} \right) \leq \frac{1}{n_j + 1} \left\{ n_j \bar{N}_0^{n_j} \left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)} - b^{[j]}} \right) + T_0(r, W^{(k)}) \right\} + O(1) \tag{19}$$

and

$$\bar{N}_0(r, W) \leq \frac{1}{l + 1} \left\{ l \bar{N}_0^l(r, W) + T_0(r, W) \right\}. \tag{20}$$

By (6), we have

$$\begin{aligned} T_0(r, W^{(k)}) &= m_0(r, W^{(k)}) + N_0(r, W^{(k)}) \\ &\leq m_0(r, W) + m_0 \left(r, \frac{W^{(k)}}{W} \right) + N_0(r, W^{(k)}) \\ &\leq m_0(r, W) + N_0(r, W) + k \bar{N}_0(r, W) + N_x(r, W) + S_0(r, W) \\ &\leq m_0(r, W) + N_0(r, W) + k \bar{N}_0(r, W) + 2(\nu - 1)(2k - 1)T_0(r, W) + S_0(r, W) \\ &\leq [2\nu(2k - 1) - 3(k - 1)]T_0(r, W) + S_0(r, W). \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

From (17), (21) and (16), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 pqT_0(r, W) &\leq \bar{N}_0(r, W) + (q-1) \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{k}{m_i+1} \left\{ m_i \bar{N}_0^{m_i} \left(r, \frac{1}{W-a^{[i]}} \right) + T_0(r, W) \right\} \\
 &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{k+1}{m_i+1} \left\{ m_i \bar{N}_0^{m_i} \left(r, \frac{1}{W-a^{[i]}} \right) + T_0(r, W) \right\} \\
 &\quad + \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{1}{n_j+1} \left\{ n_j \bar{N}_0^{n_j} \left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}-b^{[j]}} \right) + T_0(r, W^{(k)}) \right\} + S_0(r, W) \\
 &\leq \left(1 + \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{k}{n_j+1} \right) \bar{N}_0(r, W) + (kq+1) \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{m_i}{m_i+1} \bar{N}_0^{m_i} \left(r, \frac{1}{W-a^{[i]}} \right) \\
 &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{kq+1}{m_i+1} T_0(r, W) + \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{n_j}{n_j+1} \bar{N}_0^{n_j} \left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}-b^{[j]}} \right) \\
 &\quad + \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{1}{n_j+1} T_0(r, W) + S_0(r, W) \tag{22} \\
 &\leq \left(1 + \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{k}{n_j+1} \right) \frac{l}{l+1} \bar{N}_0^l(r, W) + (kq+1) \sum_{i=1}^p \bar{N}_0^{m_i} \left(r, \frac{1}{W-a^{[i]}} \right) \\
 &\quad + \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{kq+1}{m_i+1} + \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{1}{n_j+1} + \frac{1}{l+1} \left(1 + k \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{1}{n_j+1} \right) \right\} T_0(r, W) \\
 &\quad + \sum_{j=1}^q \frac{1}{n_j+1} T_0(r, W) + \sum_{j=1}^q \bar{N}_0^{n_j} \left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}-b^{[j]}} \right) + S_0(r, W).
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence (3) follows from (22). □

Put $p = q = 1$ and l, m_i, n_j tend to infinity in (3), we get Milloux inequality as follows

Theorem 4.2 (Milloux inequality). *Let $W(z)$ be a ν -valued algebroid function determined by (1) on the annulus $\mathbb{A} \left(\frac{1}{R_0}, R_0 \right)$ ($1 < R_0 \leq +\infty$), respectively. Let a, b be two distinct complex number and $b \neq 0$. Then for any $0 < r < R_0$, we have*

$$T_0(r, W) \leq \bar{N}(r, W) + (k+1) \bar{N}_0 \left(r, \frac{1}{W-a} \right) + \bar{N}_0 \left(r, \frac{1}{W^{(k)}-b} \right) + S_0(r, W).$$

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