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1003-11-1270 Kiryl I Tsishchanka* (kit@knox.edu), Kiryl Tsishchanka, Knox College Box 53, 2 East South Street, Galesburg, IL 61401. On approximation of real numbers by algebraic numbers of bounded degree.

It has been conjectured that for any integer $n \ge 1$ and any real number ξ which is not an algebraic number of degree $\le n$, there exist infinitely many algebraic numbers α of degree $\le n$ such that $|\xi - \alpha| \le c(n,\xi)H(\alpha)^{-n-1}$, where $H(\alpha)$ is the height of α . This is known to be true only for n = 1 (Dirichlet, 1842) and n = 2 (Davenport-Schmidt, 1967). The talk will discuss major results, applied methods and other unsolved problems. (Received October 04, 2004)