

## Upper estimates for entire functions of $L^1(\mathbf{R})$ on real line

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Let  $\mathcal{S}_\rho$  be the set of all entire functions of order  $\rho$  and normal type such that  $f(x) \geq 0$  for  $x \in \mathbf{R}$  and  $f \in L^1(\mathbf{R})$ . We prove that: 1) if  $f \in \mathcal{S}_\rho$ , then  $f(x) = o(|x|^{\rho-1})$ ,  $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$ , 2) for any sequence  $\varepsilon_n \downarrow 0$  there exists a function  $f \in \mathcal{S}_\rho$  and a real sequence  $b_n \rightarrow +\infty$  such that  $f(b_n) > b_n^{\rho-1-\varepsilon_n}$ . We give a generalization of this result for more general growth scale.

### 1. Introduction and statement of results

Let us denote by  $\mathcal{E}_\rho$  the set of all entire functions of order  $\rho$  and normal type which are bounded on the real line. A famous theorem of S.N. Bernstein asserts that the following implication holds

$$F \in \mathcal{E}_1 \implies F' \in \mathcal{E}_1,$$

and, moreover,

$$\sup\{|F'(x)| : x \in \mathbf{R}\} \leq \sigma \sup\{|F(x)| : x \in \mathbf{R}\},$$

where  $\sigma = \limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} r^{-1} \log M(r, F)$ . If  $\rho > 1$ , then the implication

$$F \in \mathcal{E}_\rho \implies F' \in \mathcal{E}_\rho,$$

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is not true, but there is (see M.M. Dzhrbashyan [3]) the following asymptotic estimate

$$|F'(x)| = O(|x|^{\rho-1}), \quad x \rightarrow \pm\infty. \quad (1)$$

It is easy to check the sharpness of the estimate (1). For example, let  $n \geq 2$  be natural number and  $F(z) = \exp(iz^n)$ . Then,  $|F'(x)| = |x|^{n-1}$  for real  $x$ .

Let us denote by  $\mathcal{S}_\rho$  the set of all entire functions  $f$  of order  $\rho$  and normal type such that  $f(x) \geq 0$  for  $x \in \mathbf{R}$  and  $f \in L^1(\mathbf{R})$ . Obviously, if  $f \in \mathcal{S}_\rho$  and  $F(z) := \int_0^z f(\zeta) d\zeta$ , then  $F \in \mathcal{E}_\rho$  and therefore,

$$|f(x)| = |F'(x)| = O(|x|^{\rho-1}), \quad x \rightarrow \pm\infty. \quad (2)$$

The aim of this note is to investigate the question of sharpness of estimate (2) in class  $\mathcal{S}_\rho$ .

**R e m a r k 1.** In this connection it should be pointed out the following theorem of S.N. Bernstein [2]:

*Let  $F$  be a real entire function of exponential type not greater than  $\sigma$  such that  $F(x)$  is monotone and  $|F(x)| \leq 1$  on the real line. Then  $|F'(x)| \leq \sigma/\pi$ ,  $-\infty < x < +\infty$ . In addition, the equality in this inequality may be attained only at a single point. If this point is equal 0, then*

$$F(z) = \pm \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\sigma z} \frac{1 - \cos t}{t^2} dt.$$

An analogous theorem for the entire functions of order  $1/2$  was proved by N.I. Akhiezer [1].

Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be the set of all positive nondecreasing functions  $t$  on the halfline  $[0, \infty)$  such that the following two conditions are valid:

$$\frac{t(r)}{r} \uparrow \infty, \quad r \rightarrow +\infty, \quad (3)$$

for every  $k > 1$  there exists  $K(k) < \infty$  such that

$$\limsup_{r \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{t(kr)}{t(r)} = K(k). \quad (4)$$

(It is not hard to see that condition (4) is equivalent to the following one: there exists  $k_0 > 1$  such that  $\limsup_{r \rightarrow +\infty} t(k_0 r)/t(r) < \infty$ .)

We denote by  $\mathcal{T}'$  the subset of the set  $\mathcal{T}$  which contains those functions  $t \in \mathcal{T}$ , for which the following condition is satisfied instead of the condition (3):

$$t(r)/r^a \uparrow \quad \text{on} \quad [r_0, \infty) \quad (5)$$

for some  $a > 1$  and  $r_0 > 0$  ( $a$  and  $r_0$  are dependent on the function  $t$ ).

It is obvious that the functions  $t(r) = r^\rho$ ,  $\rho > 1$ ,  $t(r) = r^{\rho(r)}$ , where  $\rho(r) \rightarrow \rho > 1$  ( $r \rightarrow \infty$ ) is a proximate order, belong to the set  $\mathcal{T}'$ .

We shall use the following generally accepted notation:

$$M(r, f) = \max\{|f(z)| : |z| = r\}, \quad h_f(\varphi) = \limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} r^{-\rho} \log |f(re^{i\varphi})|.$$

Suppose  $t \in \mathcal{T}$ ; then by  $\mathcal{S}[t]$  we denote the set of all entire functions  $f$  such that: 1)  $M(r, f) \leq \exp(t(r))$  for sufficiently large  $r$ , 2)  $f(x) \geq 0$  for all real  $x$ , 3)  $f \in L^1(\mathbf{R})$ . Thus  $\mathcal{S}[r^\rho] = \mathcal{S}_\rho$ .

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $t \in \mathcal{T}$ . If  $f \in \mathcal{S}[t]$ , then the following estimate*

$$f(x) = o\left(\frac{t(x)}{|x|}\right), \quad x \rightarrow \pm\infty, \quad (6)$$

*is valid.*

We cannot prove the sharpness of the estimate (6) in the following sense: if  $t \in \mathcal{T}$  and  $\Delta_n \downarrow 0$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ) are given, then there exists a function  $f \in \mathcal{S}[t]$  such that

$$f(b_n) \geq \Delta_n \frac{t(b_n)}{b_n}$$

for some sequence  $b_n \rightarrow +\infty$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ). But we can prove such a result.

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $t \in \mathcal{T}'$ . Let there be given an arbitrary sequence  $\varepsilon_n \downarrow 0$ . Then there exists a function  $f \in \mathcal{S}[t]$  such that*

$$f(b_n) \geq \frac{(t(b_n))^{1-\varepsilon_n}}{b_n} \quad (7)$$

*for some sequence  $b_n \rightarrow +\infty$ .*

In particular, setting  $t(r) = r^\rho$ ,  $\rho > 1$ , we obtain from Theorems 1 and 2

**Corollary 1.** *Let  $\rho > 1$ . If  $f \in \mathcal{S}_\rho$ , then the following estimate holds*

$$f(x) = o(|x|^{\rho-1}), \quad x \rightarrow \pm\infty.$$

*For any sequence  $\varepsilon_n \downarrow 0$ , there exists a function  $f \in \mathcal{S}_\rho$  such that*

$$f(b_n) > b_n^{\rho-1-\varepsilon_n}$$

*for some sequence of real numbers  $b_n \rightarrow +\infty$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ).*

Let us formulate also the following evident corollary from Theorems 1 and 2.

**Corollary 2.** *Let  $t \in \mathcal{T}$ . If  $f \in \mathcal{S}[t]$ , then the following inequality holds*

$$\limsup_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} \frac{\log f(x)}{\log(t(x)/|x|)} \leq 1.$$

Let  $t \in \mathcal{T}'$ . Then there exists  $f \in \mathcal{S}[t]$  such that

$$\limsup_{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} \frac{\log f(x)}{\log(t(x)/|x|)} = 1.$$

**Remark 2.** We shall see from the proof of Theorem 1 that the condition  $f(x) \geq 0$ ,  $-\infty < x < +\infty$ , may be omitted in this theorem.

The proof of Theorems 1 and 2 will be given in the next section.

## 2. Proof of results

**Proof of Theorem 1.** Let  $t \in \mathcal{T}$  and  $f \in \mathcal{S}[t]$ . We prove that (6) is true. Let us consider the function

$$F(z) := \int_0^z f(\zeta) d\zeta - \int_0^{+\infty} f(x) dx. \quad (8)$$

Evidently,  $F$  is an entire function, the estimate

$$M(r, F) \leq rM(r, f) + \text{const} < \exp((2t(r))) \quad (9)$$

holds for sufficiently large  $r$ , and  $F(x) \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow +\infty$ . We shall estimate  $|F(z)|$  for  $z$  close to the real positive ray. Let  $D_R := \{z : \text{Im } z > 0, |z - R| < R/2\}$  be the half-disk and let

$$\omega_R(z) = \frac{2}{\pi} \arg \frac{z - 3R/2}{z - R/2} - 1, \quad z \in D_R,$$

be the harmonic measure of the segment  $[R/2, 3R/2]$  with respect to  $D_R$ . It is not difficult to show that

$$\omega_R(R + iy) = 1 - \frac{8y}{\pi R} \left(1 + \beta\left(\frac{y}{R}\right)\right), \quad (10)$$

where  $\beta(\tau) \rightarrow 0$  as  $\tau \rightarrow 0$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be a small number. Then

$$|F(x)| < \varepsilon, \quad x \in [R/2, 3R/2],$$

for sufficiently large  $R$ . With the aid of (9) and (4) we obtain for  $z \in \partial D_R \setminus [R/2, 3R/2]$  that

$$|F(z)| \leq M(3R/2, F) \leq \exp(2t(3R/2)) \leq \exp(B_1 t(R)),$$

where  $B_1$  is a positive constant. Therefore, using the theorem on two constants we have

$$|F(R + iy)| \leq \varepsilon^{1 - \frac{8y}{\pi R}(1 + \beta(\frac{y}{R}))} \exp\left(B_1 t(R) \frac{8y}{\pi R} \left(1 + \beta\left(\frac{y}{R}\right)\right)\right) \quad (11)$$

for  $0 \leq y \leq R$ . The same estimate holds for  $-R \leq y \leq 0$ . We must only replace  $y$  by  $|y|$  in the right-hand side of (11). This yields that

$$|F(R + iy)| \leq \sqrt{\varepsilon} \exp\left(B_2 \frac{t(R)}{R} |y|\right),$$

if  $|y| \leq 1$  and  $R$  is sufficiently large. Therefore, if we introduce the domain  $G$  as

$$G := \left\{ z = x + iy : x > R_0, |y| < \frac{x}{B_2 t(x)} \right\},$$

then the inequality

$$|F(z)| \leq \sqrt{\varepsilon} e, \quad z \in G, \quad (12)$$

holds. Let us denote by  $C_x$  the disk  $\left\{ \zeta : |\zeta - x| \leq \frac{\gamma}{B_2} \frac{x}{t(x)} \right\}$ , where  $\gamma$  is a small positive constant and  $B_2$  is the same constant as that in the definition of  $G$ . It is easy to see that if  $\gamma$  is sufficiently small, then, by (3) and (4),  $C_x \subset G$  for  $x$  large enough. Therefore, by the Cauchy formula and by (12) we obtain

$$|f(x)| = |F'(x)| = \left| \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial C_x} \frac{F(\zeta)}{(\zeta - x)^2} d\zeta \right| \leq B_3 \sqrt{\varepsilon} \frac{t(x)}{x}.$$

This proves (6) for  $x \rightarrow +\infty$ . The proof for  $x \rightarrow -\infty$  is analogous. ■

In the course of the proof of Theorem 2 we shall use some methods of paper [4]. The following three lemmas are needed for the sequel.

**Lemma 1.** *For every number  $\beta$ ,  $1 < \beta < 2$ , there exists an entire even function  $\theta_\beta(z)$  of order  $\beta$  and normal type such that:*

1) *the indicator of  $\theta_\beta$  equals*

$$h_{\theta_\beta}(\varphi) = A_\beta \cos \beta(\varphi - \pi/2), \quad 0 \leq \varphi \leq \pi, \quad (13)$$

*where  $A_\beta$  is positive constant,*

2)  $\theta_\beta(x) \geq 0$  for  $x \in \mathbf{R}$ ,

3)  $\theta_\beta(0) = 1$  and  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta_\beta(x) dx = 1$ .

*P r o o f.* We set

$$\theta_{1,\beta}(w) = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{w}{n^{2/\beta}}\right).$$

Since  $\beta < 2$ , it follows (see, e.g., [6], 8.6.4) that

$$\log \left| \theta_{1,\beta} \left( R e^{i\psi} \right) \right| \sim \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi \beta / 2} \cos \frac{\beta}{2} (\psi - \pi) R^{\beta/2}, \quad R \rightarrow +\infty, \quad (14)$$

for all  $\psi \neq 0$ . Let us set

$$\theta_{2,\beta}(z) := (\theta_{1,\beta}(z^2))^2.$$

Taking into account (14), we obtain

$$h_{\theta_{2,\beta}}(\varphi) = \frac{2\pi}{\sin \pi \beta / 2} \cos \beta(\varphi - \pi/2), \quad 0 \leq \varphi \leq \pi.$$

Clearly,  $\theta_{2,\beta}(x) \geq 0$  for  $x \in \mathbf{R}$  and  $\theta_{2,\beta}(0) = 1$ . Since  $h_{\theta_{2,\beta}}(0) = h_{\theta_{2,\beta}}(\pi) < 0$  we have  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta_{2,\beta}(x) dx < \infty$ . We put

$$\theta_\beta(z) := \theta_{2,\beta}(c_\beta z), \quad c_\beta = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \theta_{2,\beta}(x) dx.$$

It is obvious that the conditions 2) and 3) of Lemma 1 hold and indicator of  $\theta_\beta$  is equal to (13) with  $A_\beta = 2\pi c_\beta^{\beta/2} / \sin(\pi\beta/2)$ . ■

We need an estimate from above of  $\max\{|\theta_\beta(z - b)| : |z| \leq R\}$  for any  $b > 0$  and  $R > 0$ .

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $\theta_\beta$  be the function constructed in Lemma 1. Then, for every  $\beta$ ,  $1 < \beta < 2$ , there exists a number  $\delta_\beta > 0$  such that for all  $b \geq 0$  the following inequalities hold*

$$\max_{|z| \leq R} |\theta_\beta(z - b)| \leq \begin{cases} C_\beta \exp(-d_\beta b^\beta), & \text{if } 0 \leq R \leq \delta_\beta b, \\ C_\beta \exp(D_\beta R^\beta), & \text{if } R > \delta_\beta b, \end{cases} \quad (15)$$

where  $C_\beta, d_\beta, D_\beta$  are positive constants which are dependent only on  $\beta$  but independent of  $b$  and  $R$ .

*P r o o f.* We have (see (13))  $h_{\theta_\beta}(0) = h_{\theta_\beta}(\pi) < 0$  for every  $\beta \in (1, 2)$ . Therefore, we can choose a number  $\eta_\beta$  so that  $0 < \eta_\beta < |h_{\theta_\beta}(0)|$ . By definition, we put for  $\varphi \in [0, \pi]$

$$\begin{aligned} H_\beta(\varphi) &:= h_{\theta_\beta}(\varphi) + \eta_\beta = A_\beta \cos \beta (\varphi - \pi/2) + \eta_\beta, \\ H_\beta(\pi + \varphi) &= H_\beta(\varphi). \end{aligned}$$

From Lemma 1 it follows (see, e.g., [5], p. 71) that for all  $r \geq 0$  and  $\varphi \in [0, 2\pi]$  the inequality

$$|\theta_\beta(re^{i\varphi})| \leq C_\beta \exp(H_\beta(\varphi)r^\beta), \quad (16)$$

holds, where  $C_\beta$  is a positive constant. Let us show that for all  $z = re^{i\varphi} = x + iy$  the inequality

$$H_\beta(\varphi)r^\beta \leq -l_\beta|x|^\beta + L_\beta|y|^\beta, \quad (17)$$

is satisfied, where  $l_\beta$  and  $L_\beta$  are some positive constants. Let us denote by  $\psi_\beta$  the zero of the function  $H_\beta(\varphi)$  in interval  $(0, \pi/2)$ . It is sufficient to prove (17) in two cases: 1)  $|\varphi| \leq \psi_\beta/2$ , 2)  $|\varphi - \pi/2| \leq \pi/2 - \psi_\beta/2$ . In the first case, we have

$$H_\beta(\varphi)r^\beta \leq H_\beta(\psi_\beta/2)r^\beta \leq -l_\beta x^\beta, \quad (18)$$

where  $l_\beta = |H_\beta(\psi_\beta/2)|$ . In the second case, the inequality  $r \leq y/\sin(\psi_\beta/2)$  holds, so we have

$$H_\beta(\varphi)r^\beta \leq H_\beta(\pi/2)r^\beta \leq L_{1,\beta}y^\beta,$$

where  $L_{1,\beta} = H_\beta(\pi/2) (\sin(\psi_\beta/2))^{-\beta}$ . Since  $|x| \leq y/\tan(\psi_\beta/2)$  in the case under consideration, we can write

$$H_\beta(\varphi)r^\beta \leq L_{1,\beta}y^\beta + l_\beta|x|^\beta - l_\beta|x|^\beta \leq L_\beta y^\beta - l_\beta|x|^\beta, \quad (19)$$

where  $L_\beta = L_{1,\beta} + l_\beta (\tan(\psi_\beta/2))^{-\beta}$  and  $l_\beta$  is the constant from (18). According to (18) the estimate (19) is true also in the case  $|\varphi| \leq \psi_\beta/2$ . Thus (17) is proved.

We proceed to the proof of (15). Let  $l_\beta$  and  $L_\beta$  be constants from (17). Let us take a small number  $\delta_\beta$ ,  $0 < \delta_\beta < 1$ , such that

$$L_\beta(\tan(\arcsin \delta_\beta))^\beta \leq l_\beta/2, \quad (1 - \delta_\beta)^\beta \geq 1/2. \quad (20)$$

Let  $b > 0$  and  $0 \leq R \leq \delta_\beta b$ . For any  $z = x + iy$  such that  $|z| \leq R$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\theta_\beta(z - b)| &\leq C_\beta \exp\left(L_\beta|y|^\beta - l_\beta(b - x)^\beta\right) \\ &\leq C_\beta \exp\left(\left(L_\beta(\tan(\arcsin \delta_\beta))^\beta - l_\beta\right)(b - x)^\beta\right) \\ &\leq C_\beta \exp\left(-\frac{l_\beta}{2}(b - \delta_\beta b)^\beta\right) \leq C_\beta \exp\left(-\frac{l_\beta}{4}b^\beta\right). \end{aligned}$$

Here we have used (17) in the first inequality, estimate  $|y| \leq (b-x) \tan(\arcsin \delta_\beta)$  — in the second inequality, the first condition from (20) and estimate  $|x| \leq R \leq \delta_\beta b$  — in the third inequality, the second condition from (20) — in the fourth inequality. This proves the first inequality in (15) with  $d_\beta = l_\beta/4$ .

Now, let  $R > \delta_\beta b$ . For any  $z = x + iy$ ,  $|z| \leq R$ , it follows from (16) and (17) that

$$|\theta_\beta(z - b)| \leq C_\beta \exp \left\{ L_\beta |y|^\beta - l_\beta |x - b|^\beta \right\} \leq C_\beta \exp \left( L_\beta R^\beta \right),$$

This proves the second inequality in (15) with  $D_\beta = L_\beta$ . ■

Let  $\{\beta_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  be a sequence of numbers from the interval  $(1, 2)$ ,  $\theta_{\beta_n}(z)$  be the function constructed in Lemma 1,  $\{a_n\}$ ,  $\{b_n\}$ ,  $\{q_n\}$  be sequences of positive numbers. Let us consider the function

$$f(z) := \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \theta_{\beta_n}(q_n(z - b_n)). \quad (21)$$

According to (15) the series in the right-hand side of (21) converges uniformly on every disk of the complex plane if  $\{b_n\}$ ,  $\{q_n\}$  tend to infinity sufficiently rapidly. The following easy lemma gives a condition of integrability on the real line for the function of the form (21).

**Lemma 3.** *Let  $f$  be a function of the form (21). Then  $f \in L^1(\mathbf{R})$  if and only if*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{q_n} < \infty. \quad (22)$$

*Proof.* Since all terms of the series in right-hand side of (21) are nonnegative and according to the equality  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta_\beta(x) dx = 1$ , we have

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(x) dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \theta_{\beta_n}(q_n(x - b_n)) dx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{q_n}.$$

This gives the desired assertion. ■

*Proof of Theorem 2.* Let  $t \in \mathcal{T}'$  and  $a > 1$  be a number such that  $t(r)/r^a \uparrow$  on  $[r_0, \infty)$ ,  $r_0 > 0$ . We fix a sequence  $\{\beta_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  so that two following conditions are valid for all  $n$ : 1)  $1 < \beta_n < \min(2, a)$ , 2)  $1/\beta_n > 1 - \varepsilon_n/2$ , where  $\{\varepsilon_n\}$  is the same sequence of positive numbers as in (7). Let  $\theta_{\beta_n}$  be the



function constructed in Lemma 1. The desired function  $f$  we shall construct in the form (21), where the sequences of positive numbers  $\{a_n\}$ ,  $\{b_n\}$ ,  $\{q_n\}$  are to be determined. The sequences  $\{b_n\}$  and  $\{q_n\}$  will tend to infinity very rapidly. The sequence  $\{a_n\}$  must possess the property

$$a_n \leq b_n^L, \quad n \geq n_0, \quad (23)$$

for some  $L > 0$ . Indeed, because  $\theta_\beta(x)$  and  $a_n$  are nonnegative and according to the condition  $\theta_\beta(0) = 1$ , we have  $a_n \leq f(b_n)$ . Since  $t \in \mathcal{T}' \subset \mathcal{T}$  it follows from (4) that  $t(r) \leq r^p$ ,  $r \geq r_0$ , for some  $p > 0$ . Thus we obtain (23) from Theorem 1.

For brevity we introduce the following notation (see the right-hand side of (15)):

$$m_\beta(R, b) := \begin{cases} -d_\beta b^\beta & \text{for } 0 \leq R \leq \delta_\beta b, \\ D_\beta R^\beta & \text{for } R > \delta_\beta b. \end{cases} \quad (24)$$

Lemma 2 asserts that

$$\max_{|z| \leq R} |\theta_\beta(z - b)| \leq C_\beta \exp(m_\beta(R, b)). \quad (25)$$

Using (25), we get

$$M(R, f) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \max_{|z| \leq R} |\theta_{\beta_n}(q_n(z - b_n))| \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n C_{\beta_n} \exp(m_{\beta_n}(q_n R, q_n b_n))$$

for every  $R \geq 0$ . We shall show that the sequences  $\{a_n\}$ ,  $\{b_n\}$ ,  $\{q_n\}$  can be chosen so that the inequality

$$a_n C_{\beta_n} \exp(m_{\beta_n}(q_n R, q_n b_n)) \leq 2^{-n} \exp(t(R)) \quad (26)$$

is valid for any  $n = 1, 2, \dots$  and  $R \geq 0$ . From (26) we shall get the convergence of the series in the right-hand side of (21) and the estimate  $M(R, f) \leq \exp(t(R))$ .

We shall denote later by  $C_j(n)$  the constants which are uniquely determined by the choice of  $\beta_n$  and independent of  $b_n$  and  $q_n$ . We shall denote by  $B_j$  the constants which are independent of  $n$ . From now on we shall write also  $\delta(n)$ ,  $d(n)$ ,  $D(n)$  instead of  $\delta_{\beta_n}$ ,  $d_{\beta_n}$ ,  $D_{\beta_n}$ , respectively (see (15)).

Taking into account (23), we see that (26) is a consequence of the following inequality:

$$B_1 \log b_n + C_1(n) + m_{\beta_n}(q_n R, q_n b_n) \leq t(R), \quad R > 0, \quad (27)$$

where  $C_1(n) = \log C_{\beta_n} + n \log 2$ . We consider two cases: 1)  $0 \leq R \leq \delta(n)b_n$ , 2)  $R > \delta(n)b_n$ . In the first case, we see by (24) that (27) is equivalent to the inequality:

$$B_1 \log b_n + C_1(n) - d(n)b_n^{\beta_n} q_n^{\beta_n} \leq t(R). \quad (28)$$

Since  $t(R) \geq 0$  and  $q_n \geq 1$ , (28) follows from the inequality

$$B_1 \log b_n + C_1(n) \leq d(n)b_n^{\beta_n},$$

which is true if  $b_n$  is sufficiently large.

In the second case, (27) is equivalent to the inequality

$$B_1 \log b_n + C_1(n) + D(n)R^{\beta_n}q_n^{\beta_n} \leq t(R), \quad R \geq \delta(n)b_n. \quad (29)$$

Using the evident inequality

$$x^\gamma + y^\gamma + z^\gamma < 3(x + y + z)^\gamma, \quad x, y, z, \gamma > 0,$$

we shall estimate from above the left-hand side of (29). Since  $3 < 3^{\beta_n}$  and  $(\log b_n)^{1/\beta_n} < \log b_n$ , it follows that the left-hand side of (29) does not exceed

$$\begin{aligned} & 3\{(B_1 \log b_n)^{1/\beta_n} + (C_1(n))^{1/\beta_n} + (D(n))^{1/\beta_n} Rq_n\}^{\beta_n} \\ & \leq \{C_2(n) \log b_n + C_3(n) + D_1(n)Rq_n\}^{\beta_n}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $C_2(n) = 3B_1^{1/\beta_n}$ ,  $C_3(n) = 3(C_1(n))^{1/\beta_n}$ ,  $D_1(n) = 3(D(n))^{1/\beta_n}$ . This yields that (29) follows from the inequality

$$C_2(n) \log b_n + C_3(n) + D_1(n)Rq_n \leq (t(R))^{1/\beta_n}, \quad R > \delta(n)b_n. \quad (30)$$

Obviously, (30) is a consequence of the following two inequalities:

$$C_2(n) \log b_n + C_3(n) < \frac{1}{2}t(R)^{1/\beta_n} \quad \text{for } R > \delta(n)b_n \quad (31)$$

and

$$C_3(n)Rq_n \leq \frac{1}{2}(t(R))^{1/\beta_n} \quad \text{for } R > \delta(n)b_n. \quad (32)$$

Let us estimate from below the right-hand side of (31). Since  $t \in \mathcal{T}'$ , then (see (5))  $t(R) > R^a$  for  $R \geq r_0$ . Since the sequence  $\delta(n)$  is already fixed, the inequality  $\delta(n)b_n > r_0$  will be valid, if we take  $b_n$  sufficiently large. Therefore, for any  $R \geq \delta(n)b_n$  the right-hand side of (31) is greater than  $1/2(\delta(n))^{a/\beta_n} b_n^{a/\beta_n}$ . Thus (31) is a consequence of the inequality

$$C_2(n) \log b_n + C_3(n) < C_4(n)b_n^{a/\beta_n},$$

where  $C_4(n) = 1/2(\delta(n))^{1/\beta_n}$ . This inequality is true if  $b_n$  is large enough.

Now, we consider (32). By (5) we have for  $\beta_n < a$  that  $r^{-1}(t(r))^{1/\beta_n} \uparrow$  on  $[r_0, \infty)$ . If  $b_n$  is large enough, then  $\delta(n)b_n > r_0$ . Therefore, (32) is equivalent to the following inequality:

$$q_n \leq \frac{1}{2C_3(n)} \frac{(t(\delta(n)b_n))^{1/\beta_n}}{\delta(n)b_n}. \quad (33)$$

We set with agreement with (33)

$$q_n := C_4(n) \frac{(t(\delta(n)b_n))^{1/\beta_n}}{b_n}, \quad (34)$$

where  $C_4(n) = (2C_3(n)\delta(n))^{-1}$ . Then (32) is valid. Therefore, if the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is such that (23) is true for some  $L$ , then the function  $f$  will be entire and the estimate  $M(r, f) \leq \exp(t(r))$  will be valid.

Let us choose  $\{a_n\}$ . We set

$$a_n := \frac{(t(b_n))^{1/\beta_n - \varepsilon_n/2}}{b_n}. \quad (35)$$

Since  $t \in \mathcal{T}'$ , we see that condition (23) is satisfied. Let us check that the condition (22) is also satisfied. It follows from (34) and (35) that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{q_n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{C_4(n)} \left( \frac{t(b_n)}{t(\delta(n)b_n)} \right)^{1/\beta_n} \frac{1}{(t(b_n))^{\varepsilon_n/2}}. \quad (36)$$

Using (4), we get  $t(b_n)/t(\delta(n)b_n) \leq K(1/\delta(n)) + 1$ , if  $b_n$  is sufficiently large. Therefore, we see from (36) that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{q_n} \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_5(n) \frac{1}{(t(b_n))^{\varepsilon_n/2}} < \infty,$$

if the sequence  $\{b_n\}$  tends to infinity sufficiently rapidly (we can take here  $C_5(n) = C_4^{-1}(n) (K(\delta^{-1}(n)) + 1)^{1/\beta_n}$ ). From (35) and condition  $\beta_n^{-1} > 1 - \varepsilon_n/2$  we obtain

$$f(b_n) \geq a_n \geq \frac{(t(b_n))^{1-\varepsilon_n}}{b_n},$$

which completes the proof of Theorem 2. ■

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### Оценки сверху на вещественной оси целых функций из $L^1(\mathbf{R})$

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Пусть  $\mathcal{S}_\rho$  — множество целых функций порядка  $\rho$  и нормального типа таких, что  $f(x) \geq 0$  для  $x \in \mathbf{R}$  и  $f \in L^1(\mathbf{R})$ . В статье доказано: 1) если  $f \in \mathcal{S}_\rho$ , то  $f(x) = o(|x|^{\rho-1})$ ,  $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$ , 2) для любой последовательности  $\varepsilon_n \downarrow 0$  существуют функция  $f \in \mathcal{S}_\rho$  и вещественная последовательность  $b_n \rightarrow +\infty$  такие, что  $f(b_n) > b_n^{\rho-1-\varepsilon_n}$ . Приведено обобщение этого результата для более общих шкал роста.

### Оцінки зверху на дійсній осі цілих функцій з $L^1(\mathbf{R})$

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Нехай  $\mathcal{S}_\rho$  — множина цілих функцій порядку  $\rho$  та нормального типу таких, що  $f(x) \geq 0$ ,  $x \in \mathbf{R}$ , та  $f \in L^1(\mathbf{R})$ . В статті доведено: 1) якщо  $f \in \mathcal{S}_\rho$ , тоді  $f(x) = o(|x|^{\rho-1})$ ,  $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$ , 2) для усякої послідовності  $\varepsilon_n \downarrow 0$  існують функція  $f \in \mathcal{S}_\rho$  та дійсна послідовність  $b_n \rightarrow +\infty$  такі, що  $f(b_n) > b_n^{\rho-1-\varepsilon_n}$ . Наведено узагальнення цього результату у випадку більш загальних шкал зростання.