

UNUNIQUENESS OF SOME HOLOMORPHIC FUNCTIONS*

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Abstract

In the present paper, we show that there exists a bounded, holomorphic function $f(z) \not\equiv 0$ in the domain $\{z = x + iy: |y| < \alpha\}$ such that $f(z)$ has a Dirichlet expansion $\sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} d_n e^{-u_n z}$ in the halfplane $x > x_f$ if and only if $\frac{\alpha}{\pi} \log r - \sum_{u_n < r} \frac{2}{u_n}$ has a finite upperbound on $[1, +\infty)$, where α is a positive constant, $x_f (< +\infty)$ is the abscissa of convergence of $\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} d_n e^{-u_n z}$ and the infinite sequence $\{u_n\}$ satisfies $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} (u_{n+1} - u_n) > 0$. We also point out some necessary conditions and sufficient ones. Such that a bounded holomorphic function in an angular (or half-band) domain is identically zero if an infinite sequence of its derivatives and itself vanish at some point of the domain. Here some results are generalizations of those in [4].

P. Malliavin^[1] transforms many problems (for example: Moment problems, quasianalyticity problems, asymptotic expansion problems of analytic functions, etc.) into corresponding Watson's problems and establishes the well-known Malliavin's theorem (M -theorem) of uniqueness for functions meromorphic in the halfplane. Yu Jia-Youg^[6, 7] extends the M -theorem to the case of zeros and poles of higher orders. Fuchs^[3] gives another proof of M -theorem. As consequences of the M -theorem, we have the following results:

Theorem 1. Suppose that $0 < u_1 < u_2 < u_3 < \dots$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (u_{n+1} - u_n) > 0$. Then there exists a function $f(z) \not\equiv 0$, which is holomorphic and bounded in $\{z = x + iy: |y| < \alpha\}$ ($\alpha > 0$) and which has a Dirichlet expansion

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} d_n e^{-u_n z} \quad (x > x_f), \quad (1.1)$$

if and only if

$$\overline{\lim}_{r \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2\alpha}{\pi} \log r - 2 \sum_{u_n < r} \frac{1}{u_n} \right) < +\infty, \quad (1.2)$$

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where $x_f + \infty$ is the abscissa of convergence.

Proof We first suppose that $\alpha = \frac{\pi}{2}$, $u_{n+1} - u_n \geq h > 0$ ($n = 1, 2, \dots$), $u_1 \geq h$, where h is a constant. If $f(z) \not\equiv 0$ is holomorphic and bounded in $\{z = x + iy : |y| < \alpha\}$ and satisfies (1.1), we can also suppose that $x_f < -\frac{1}{h}$ (otherwise, we consider the function $f\left(z + x_0 + \frac{1}{h}\right)$, where $x_0 > x_f$ is a constant), then there exists a constant $M > 0$ such that

$$|f(z)| \leq M, \quad |y| < \frac{\pi}{2},$$

$$|d_n e^{-u_n(-1/h)}| \leq M, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

There exists, for any positive integer p , a positive integer m such that $u_{m-1} < p \leq u_m$. Hence, if $x > 0$, we have (set $u_0 = 0$, $d_0 = 0$)

$$\begin{aligned} |f(z) - \sum_{u_n < p} d_n e^{-u_n z}| &= \left| \sum_{n=m}^{+\infty} d_n e^{-u_n z} \right| \leq M \sum_{n=m}^{+\infty} e^{-1/u_n} e^{-u_n x} \\ &\leq M e^{-px} \sum_{n=m}^{+\infty} e^{-n} \leq M (1 - e^{-1})^{-1} e^{-px}, \end{aligned}$$

if $x \leq 0$, $|y| < \frac{\pi}{2}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |f(z) - \sum_{u_n < p} d_n e^{-u_n z}| &\leq M + M \sum_{u_n < p} e^{-u_n/h} e^{|x|u_n} \\ &\leq M \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} e^{-u_n/h} e^{|x|p} \leq M (1 - e^{-1})^{-1} e^{-px}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore (set $O = M(1 - e^{-1})^{-1}$)

$$|O^{-1}f(z) - \sum_{u_n < p} O^{-1}d_n e^{-u_n z}| \leq e^{-px} \left(|y| < \frac{\pi}{2}, p = 1, 2, \dots \right).$$

Since $O^{-1}f(z) \not\equiv 0$, in virtue of a result of Malliavin^(11, p. 213) Watson's problem $W(1, k(r))$ admits a non-zero solution (where $k(r) = \log r - 2 \sum_{u_n < r} \frac{1}{u_n}$, ($r > u_1$); $k(r) = 0$, $0 < r \leq u_1$), i. e., there exists a function $g(z) \not\equiv 0$, which is holomorphic in the half-plane $x > 0$ and satisfies $|g(z)| \leq e^{-xk(r)}$ ($r = |z|$, $x > 0$). If $k(r)$ has no finite upper bound on $(0, +\infty)$, then there would be a sequence $\{R_n\}$ of positive real numbers such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} R_n = +\infty, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} k(R_n) = +\infty.$$

But for any positive n , the function $g_n(z) = g(z)e^{zk(R_n)}$ is holomorphic in the half-plane $x > 0$ and satisfies

$$|g_n(R_n e^{i\theta})| \leq 1, \quad |\theta| < \frac{\pi}{2},$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} |g_n(x + iy)| \leq 1, \quad |y| \leq R_n.$$

By the Maximum Modulus Principle

$$|g_n(z)| \leq 1, \quad |z| \leq R_n, \quad x > 0$$

and therefore

$$|g_n(z)| \leq e^{-xk(R_n)}, \quad |z| \leq R_n, \quad x > 0.$$

Taking $n \rightarrow +\infty$, we see that $g(z) \equiv 0$ in the half-plane $x > 0$, which is in contradiction with the hypothesis that $g(z) \not\equiv 0$. Therefore (1.2) holds.

Conversely, if (1.2) holds, then there exists a positive constant O_1 such that $k(r) \leq O_1 (r > 0)$. Set

$$U(r) = \begin{cases} 2 \sum_{v_n < r} \frac{1}{u_n}, & r > u_1, \\ 0, & 0 < r \leq u_1, \end{cases}$$

$$G(z) = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1 + \frac{z}{u_n}}{1 + \frac{z}{u_n}} \right] e^{\frac{2z}{u_n}}.$$

Then we see from Theorem 4.5.III in [2] (p. 126) (and from Chap. 7.4 (4.3; 3') in [8] (p. 469) that $G(z)$ is a meromorphic function in the z -plane and satisfies

$$|G(z)| \geq \exp(-O_2 x + xU(r)), \quad z \in W,$$

and that gamma function $\Gamma(z)$ satisfies

$$|\Gamma(z+1)| \leq \exp(O_3 + \log|z+1| + x \log|z - \frac{\pi}{2}y|)^*, \quad x > 0,$$

where O_2 and O_3 are positive constant. Set $O = O_1 + O_2 + O_3$, then the function $g(z) = (1+z)^{-3} (G(z))^{-1} \Gamma(z+1) e^{-Oz}$ is meromorphic in the z -plane and satisfies

$$|g(z)| \leq (1+y^2)^{-1} e^{-\pi|y|/2}, \quad z \in W.$$

Set

$$f_n(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} g(2^{-1}(u_n + u_{n+1}) + it) e^{-itz} dt, \quad n=1, 2, \dots,$$

$$f_0(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} g(it) e^{-itz} dt.$$

Then $f(z)$ is holomorphic in $\{z = x + iy: |y| < \frac{\pi}{2}\}$ and satisfies

$$|f_n(z)| \leq \exp(-2^{-1}(u_n + u_{n+1})x), \quad |y| < \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad n=1, 2, \dots, \quad (1.3)$$

$$|f_n(z)| \leq \pi, \quad |y| < \frac{\pi}{2}. \quad (1.4)$$

For any $u' > u'' > 0$, we have

$$\lim_{|z| \rightarrow \infty} \int_{u''}^{u'} g(u + it) e^{-z(u+it)} du, \quad |y| < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

By the residue theorem we have

$$f_0(z) = \sum_{k=1}^n d_k e^{-u_k z} + f_n(z), \quad |y| < \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad n=1, 2, \dots,$$

where d_k is the residue of $g(z)$ at u_k , $k=1, 2, \dots$. By (1.3), if $x > 0$, $|y| < \frac{\pi}{2}$, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(z) = 0.$$

Hence

$$f_0(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} d_k e^{-u_k z}, \quad x > 0, \quad |y| < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

This implies that $\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} d_k e^{-u_k z}$ is holomorphic in the half-plane $x > 0$. We establish the theorem, if we put

$$f(z) = \begin{cases} \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} d_k e^{-u_k z}, & x > 0, \\ f_0(z), & x \leq 0, \quad |y| < \frac{\pi}{2}. \end{cases}$$

For the case $\alpha \neq \frac{\pi}{2}$, let $u'_n = \frac{2\alpha}{\pi} u_n$ ($n=1, 2, \dots$), $f_1(z) = f\left(\frac{2\alpha}{\pi} z\right)$. Since

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow +\infty} \left(\log r - 2 \sum_{u'_n < r} \frac{1}{u'_n} \right) < +\infty$$

holds if and only if

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow +\infty} \left(\frac{2\alpha}{\pi} \log r - 2 \sum_{u_n < r} \frac{1}{u_n} \right) < +\infty,$$

we see that the theorem also holds in the general case.

Let $\{u_n\}$ and $\{v_n\}$ be two complexmentary increasing sequences of positive integers ([2], p. 54), we see that $\sum_{u_n < r} \frac{1}{u_n} + \sum_{v_n < r} \frac{1}{v_n} = \sum_{n < r} \frac{1}{n} = \log r + O(1)$, $r \rightarrow \infty$. Therefore, as a consequence of Theorem 1, we have the following corollary:

Corollary 1. *There exists a function $f(z) \not\equiv 0$ such that $f(z)$ is holomorphic and bounded in $\{z = x + iy: |\arg z| < \alpha\} \cup \{0\}$ ($0 < \alpha \leq \pi$) and that $f(0) = f^{(v_n)}(0) = 0$ if and only if*

$$\log \left(\sum_{v_n < r} \frac{1}{v_n} - \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right) \log r \right) < +\infty.$$

Remark. Corollary 1 is a generalization of the result III in [4].

If we add a half-band to each side of the angular domain $\{z = x + iy: |\arg z| \leq \alpha\}$ ($0 \leq \alpha \leq \pi$), and write $\log_0 x = x$ and $\log_k x = \log(\log_{k-1} x)$, k being a positive integer and x being sufficiently large, we have the following theorem:

Theorem 2. *Suppose $0 \leq \alpha < \pi$. If there exist an integer $p \geq 2$ and a real number $b > 1$ such that*

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow +\infty} \left(2 \sum_{v_n < r} \frac{1}{v_n} - 2 \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right) \log r + \log_2 r + \dots + b \log_p r \right) < +\infty, \quad (2.1)$$

then there exist a function $f(z) \not\equiv 0$ and a constant $a_f > 0$ such that $f(z)$ is holomorphic and bounded in the domain $G_a = \bigcup_{z \in H_a} D(z, a_f)$, where $H_a = \{z = re^{i\theta}: |\theta| \leq \alpha, r \geq 0\}$, $D(z, a_f) = \{z': |z' - z| < a_f\}$ and satisfies

$$f(0) = f^{(v_n)}(0) = 0.$$

Conversely, if there exists an integer $p \geq 2$ such that

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow +\infty} \left(2 \sum_{v_n < r} \frac{1}{v_n} - 2 \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right) \log r + \log_2 r + \dots + \log_p r \right) > -\infty, \quad (2.2)$$

then there exists no such function $f(z) \not\equiv 0$ with the above properties.

Remark. 1) The latter part of Theorem 2, if $\alpha = 0$, is the one of the result I in [4].

Remaak. 2) We see from Corollary 1 that if the condition (2.2) is replaced by

$$\overline{\lim}_{r \rightarrow +\infty} \left(2 \sum_{v_n < r} \frac{1}{v_n} - 2 \left(1 - \frac{a}{\pi} \right) \log r \right) = +\infty,$$

then Theorem 2 also holds.

Before proving Theorem 2, we first compare it with Corollary 1. Suppose that $\pi > a > 0$, $C > 0$, $p \geq 2$ and $r_0 > 0$ ($\log_p r_0 > 0$) satisfy

$$2 \left(1 - \frac{a}{\pi} \right) \log r - \log_2 r - \dots - \log_p r - C \leq 2 \sum_{v_n \leq r} \frac{1}{v_n} \leq 2 \left(1 - \frac{a}{\pi} \right) \log r + C, \quad r \geq r_0.$$

Corollary 1 implies that there exists a function $f(z) \neq 0$ such that $f(z)$ is holomorphic and bounded in the domain $\{z = x + iy: |\arg z| \leq a\} \cup \{0\}$ and satisfies $f(0) = f^{(v_n)}(0) = 0$.

Theorem 2 implies that if $f(z)$ can be analytically continued to $G_a = \bigcup_{z \in H_a} D(z, a_f)$, where $H_a = \{z = re^{i\theta}: |\theta| \leq a, r \geq 0, D(z': |z' - z| < a_f), a_f > 0\}$, then $f(z)$ is unbounded in G_a .

In order to prove Theorem 2, we first introduce a definition: Let G be a set of z -plane and $f(z)$ be defined in G . Then $f(z)$ is said to be differentiable on G , if, at each point $z_0 \in G$,

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0, z \in G} \frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0}$$

exists. This limit is denoted by $f'(z_0)$. As usual, the differentiability of higher order and infinite differentiability on G can be similarly defined. The following Lemma 1 is a generalization of Lemma in [4].

Lemma 1. Let $\{M_n\}$, $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ be a sequence of positive real numbers. Suppose that for a ($0 \leq a \leq \pi$), $f(z) \neq 0$ is infinitely differentiable on $G = \{z = re^{i\theta}: |\theta| \leq a, r \geq 0\}$ and satisfies

$$|f^{(n)}(z)| \leq M_n, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \quad z \in G. \quad (3.1)$$

Then there exists a holomorphic function $g(z) \neq 0$ in the half-plane $x > 0$ such that

$$g(n) = (-1)^n f^{(n)}(0)^*, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, \quad (3.2)$$

$$|g(n + b + iy)| \leq (M_{n-1} + M_n + M_{n+1} + M_{n+2}) C |2 + iy|^3 e^{(\pi/2 - a)|y|},$$

$$0 < b < 1, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, \quad (3.3)$$

where C is a positive constant.

Proof We see from the proof in [1] (p. 210) and [4] that there exists a holomorphic function $g(z) \neq 0$ such that (3.2) holds and that

$$|g(n + b + iy)| = \left| \frac{1}{\Gamma(-b - iy)} \int_0^{+\infty} f^{(n)}(t) - f^{(n)}(0) t^{-1-b-iy} dt \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{\exp(-a|y|)}{\Gamma(-b - iy)} \int_0^{+\infty} (\tilde{f}_y^{(n)}(t) - \tilde{f}_y^{(n)}(0)) t^{-1-b-iy} dt \right|$$

holds for any positive integer n and b ($0 < b < 1$), where

$$\tilde{f}_y(t) = \begin{cases} f(te^{-ia}), & t \geq 0, y > 0, \\ f(te^{ia}), & t \geq 0, y \leq 0. \end{cases}$$

Integration by parts gives us

$$\begin{aligned} |g(n+b+iy)| &= \frac{\exp(-a|y|)}{\Gamma(2-b-y)} \left| (b+iy)(\tilde{f}_y^{(n)}(0) - \tilde{f}_y^{(n)}(0)) - \tilde{f}_y^{(n+1)}(1) \right. \\ &\quad + \int_0^1 f_y^{(n+2)}(t)t^{1-b-iy} dt + (b+iy-1) \left[f_y^{(n-1)}(1)(-b-iy) - f_y^{(n)}(0) \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + (b+iy)(b+1+iy) \int_1^{+\infty} f_y^{(n-1)}(t)t^{-2-b-iy} dt \right] \right|, \\ &\quad 0 < b < 1, n=1, 2, \dots \end{aligned}$$

We can see that (3.3) is also valid.

The following Lemma 1 can be considered as the converse of Lemma 1.

Lemma 2. Let $\{M_n\}$ ($n=0, 1, 2, \dots$) be a sequence of positive numbers. Suppose that for a ($0 < a \leq \pi$) $g(z)$ is holomorphic in the half-plane $x > 0$ and satisfies

$$|g(n+b+iy)| \leq M_n \exp\left(\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - a\right)|y|\right), \quad 0 < b < 1, n=0, 1, 2, \dots \quad (4.1)$$

Then

$$f(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2} + it + 1\right)^{-3} \left(\frac{1}{2} + it\right) g\left(\frac{1}{2} + it\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + it\right) z^{\frac{1}{2} + it} dt$$

is infinitely differentiable in $G = \{z = re^{i\theta} : |\theta| \leq a, r \geq 0\}$ and there exists a positive constant B such that

$$|f(z)| \leq BM_0, \quad |f^{(n)}(z)| \leq Be^n \max(M_n, M_{n-1}), \quad z \in G, n=1, 2, \dots, \quad (4.2)$$

$$f(0) = 0, \quad f^{(n)}(0) = (n+1)^{-3} 2\pi i (-1)^{n+1} g(n)n, \quad n=1, 2, \dots \quad (4.3)$$

Moreover, if $g(z) \not\equiv 0$, then $f(z) \not\equiv 0$.

Proof Since ([8], p. 469. (4.3.3'))

$$|\Gamma(z+1)^{-1}| \leq |z+1|^{-x-\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + x + \frac{1}{2}|y|\right), \quad x > 0, \quad (4.4)$$

$$\left| \sin \pi \left(n + \frac{1}{2} + iy\right) \right| \geq \frac{1}{2} \exp(\pi|y|), \quad n=0, 1, 2, \dots, \quad (4.5)$$

$$|\sin \pi(x+iy)| \geq \frac{1}{4} \exp(\pi|y|) \quad (|y| \geq 2), \quad (4.6)$$

it follows that there exists a positive constant B_1 such that the holomorphic function $h(z) = (z+1)^{-3} z \Gamma(-z) g(z)$ in the halfplane $x > 0$ satisfies

$$\left| h\left(n + \frac{1}{2} + it\right) \frac{\partial^k}{\partial z^k} (z^{n+\frac{1}{2}+it}) \right| \leq B_1 (1+y^2)^{-1} M_n e^n |z|^{n+\frac{1}{2}-k}, \quad x > 0, k; n=0, 1, 2, \dots.$$

This implies that

$$f_n(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h\left(n + \frac{1}{2} + it\right) z^{n+\frac{1}{2}+it} dt$$

is $(n+1)$ times differentiable on $\{z : |\arg z| \leq a, z \neq 0\}$ and n times differentiable on G and it satisfies

$$|f_n^{(k)}(z)| \leq B_1 e^n M_n |z|^{n+\frac{1}{2}-k}, 0 \leq k \leq n+1, |\arg z| \leq a, z \neq 0 \quad (4.7)$$

and that, for any $v'', v'(v'' > v' > 0)$,

$$\lim_{|t| \rightarrow \infty} \int_{v'}^{v''} h(v+it) z^{n+it} dv = 0, \quad z \in G.$$

It follows from the residue theorem and Cauchy's theorem that, for any v_1, v_0 ($0 < v_1 < v_0 < \frac{1}{2}$) and $n=1, 2, \dots$,

$$\begin{aligned} f_{v_0}(z) &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h(v_0+it) z^{v_0+it} dt = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h(v_1+it) z^{v_1+it} dt \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{2\pi i (-1)^{k+1} g(k) k}{(k+1)k!} z^k + f_n(z), \quad z \in G. \end{aligned} \quad (4.8)$$

We conclude from (4.3)–(4.6) that there exists a positive constant O_{21} , which is independent on v_1 and h such that

$$|f_{v_0}(z)| \leq O_2 M_0 |z|^{v_1}, \quad z \in G.$$

Taking $v_1 \rightarrow 0$, we obtain

$$|f_{v_0}(z)| \leq O_2 M_0, \quad z \in G.$$

We see from (4.1), (4.7) and (4.8) that (4.2) and (4.3) are valid with $f(z)f_{v_0}(z)$.

The proof of Theorem 2 Suppose that (2.1) holds. Then there exist two constants $O > 0$ and r_0 ($\log_p r_0 > 0$) such that

$$\begin{aligned} k(r) &= \sup_{1 \leq r' \leq r} \left(2 \sum_{v_k < r'} \frac{1}{v_n} - \left(1 - a \frac{2}{\pi} \right) \log r' \right) \\ &\leq O + \log r - \log_2 r + \dots + \log_{p-1} r + b \log_p r, \quad r \geq r_0 \end{aligned}$$

and ([2], p. 122)

$$M(t) = \sup_{n \geq 1} (nt - n \log n) \leq Oe^t (t \geq 0).$$

Therefore, we have

$$\int_{r_0}^{+\infty} M(k(r)) \frac{dr}{r^2} \leq Oe^O \int_{r_0}^{+\infty} (r \log r \dots \log_{p-2} r (\log_{p-1} r)^b)^{-1} dr < +\infty.$$

It follows from Theorem 5.8 in [1], (p. 205) that there exists a holomorphic function $g(z)$ in the half-plane $x > 0$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} g(v_n) &= 0, |g(n+b+iy)| \leq n^n \exp\left(\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - a\right)|y|\right), \quad 0 < b < 1, n=1, 2, \dots, \\ |g(b+iy)| &\leq \exp\left(\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - a\right)|y|\right), \quad 0 < b < 1. \end{aligned}$$

We see from Lemma 2 that there exists a constant B and an infinitely differentiable function $\tilde{f}(z) \neq 0$ in $\{z: |\arg z| \leq a\}$ such that for $z: |\arg z| \leq a$,

$$|\tilde{f}(z)| \leq B, \tilde{f}(0) = \tilde{f}^{(v_n)}(0) = 0, |\tilde{f}^{(n)}(z)| \leq B n^n e^n, n=1, 2, \dots$$

We conclude that, at each point $z_0 \in \{z: |\arg z| \leq a\}$, $f_0(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\tilde{f}^{(n)}(z-z_0)}{n!} (z-z_0)^n$ is holomorphic in $\{z: |z-z_0| \leq (2e^2)^{-1}\}$ and is equal to $\tilde{f}(z)$ in

$$\{z: |z-z_0| \leq (2e^2)^{-1}\} \cap \{z: |\arg z| \leq a\}$$

and satisfies

$$|f_0(z)| \leq \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} B(n!)^{-1} (en)^n (2e^2)^{-n} \leq 2B(|z-z_0| \leq (2e^2)^{-1}).$$

Therefore $\tilde{f}(z)$ can be analytically continued to a bounded, holomorphic function $f(z)$ in the domain $G_a = \bigcup_{z \in H_a} D(z, (2e^{-1})^{-1})$.

Conversely, if (2.2) holds and if there exists a function $f(z) \neq 0$, which is holomorphic and bounded in the domain $G_a = \bigcup_{z \in H_a} D(z, a_f)$, where $H_a = \{z = re^{i\theta} : |\theta| \leq a, r \geq 0\}$, $a_f > 0$, it follows, then, from (2.2), ([2], p. 122) and Cauchy's integral formula that there exist constants $M > 0$, $B > 0$, $B_1 > 0$, $C > 0$ and $h > 0$ ($h < \min(1, a)$), $r_0(\log_p r_0 > 0)$ such that

$$|f^{(n)}(z)| \leq n! M h^{-n} = M_n, \quad M_{n+4} \leq B_1 n^n (|\arg z| \leq a, n=1, 2, 3, \dots),$$

$$M(t) = \sup_{n \geq 1} (nt - \log M_{n+4}) \geq B e^t (t \geq 10),$$

$$k \cdot (r) = \inf_{r' \geq r} \left(2 \sum_{v_n' < r'} \frac{1}{v_n'} - \left(1 - a \frac{2}{\pi} \right) \log r' \right) \geq \log r - \log_2 r - \dots - \log_p r - C, \quad r \geq r_0,$$

where $v_n' = v_{n+2} - 2$ ($n=1, 2, \dots$). It follows from Lemma 1 that there exists a holomorphic function $g(z) \neq 0$ in the half-plane $x > 0$ such that there exists a positive constant C_1

$$g(v_n) = (-1)^n v_n f^{(v_n)}(0) = 0, \quad n=1, 2, \dots,$$

$$|g(n+b+iy)| \leq C_1 |2+iy|^3 M_{n+2} \exp\left(\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - a\right)|y|\right), \quad 0 < b < 1, \quad n=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

We see that the holomorphic function $\tilde{g}(z) = C_1^{-1} (4+z)^{-3} g(z+2)$ in the half-plane $x > 0$ satisfies

$$\tilde{g}(v_n') = 0 \quad n=1, 2, \dots,$$

$$|\tilde{g}(n+b+iy)| \leq M_{n+4} \exp\left(\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - a\right)|y|\right), \quad 0 < b < 1, \quad n=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

But for any real number a , there exists $r_a > r_0$ such that

$$k \cdot (r) - a > 10, \quad r > r_a,$$

$$\int_{r_a}^{+\infty} M(k \cdot (r) - a) \frac{dr}{r^2} \geq B \int_{r_a}^{+\infty} \exp(k \cdot (r) - a) \frac{dr}{r^2}$$

$$\geq B \exp(-a - C) \int_{r_a}^{+\infty} (r \log r \dots \log_{p-1} r)^{-1} dr = +\infty.$$

We conclude from Theorem 5.8 in [1] (p. 205) that $\tilde{g}(z) \equiv 0$, i. e., $g(z) \equiv 0$, which is in contradiction with $g(z) \neq 0$, and this proves Theorem 2.

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