

ON EXCEPTIONAL VALUES OF ENTIRE AND MEROMORPHIC FUNCTIONS ¹⁾

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In connection with the NEVANLINNA theory for entire and meromorphic functions, some special values are defined by limiting operations and called *exceptional values*. Some properties of these values are obtained.

Let $F(z)$ be a meromorphic function and $T(r, F)$ be it's NEVANLINNA characteristic function. Let $N(r, a) = N(r, F - a)$, $N(r, F) = N(r, \infty)$ have their usual meaning as in the NEVANLINNA theory.

Define

$$\delta(a) = 1 - \limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N(r, a)}{T(r, F)},$$

$$\lambda(a) = 1 - \liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N(r, a)}{T(r, F)}.$$

If

$\delta(a) > 0$ then a is an exceptional value "N" (or *e. v. N*);

$\lambda(a) > 0$ then a is an exceptional value "V" (or *e. v. V*).

We define the proximate order $\rho(r)$ and lower proximate order $\lambda(r)$ with respect to $T(r, F)$ by the following conditions :

(i) $\rho(r)$ and $\lambda(r)$ are differentiable for $r \geq r_0$ except at isolated points at which $\rho'(r-0)$, $\rho'(r+0)$ and $\lambda'(r-0)$, $\lambda'(r+0)$ exist.

(ii) $\rho(r) \rightarrow \rho$, $\lambda(r) \rightarrow \lambda$ as $r \rightarrow \infty$.

(iii) $r \rho'(r) \log r \rightarrow 0$ and $r \lambda'(r) \log r \rightarrow 0$ as $r \rightarrow \infty$.

(iv) $r \lambda^{(\tau)} T \leq (r) \leq r \rho^{(\tau)}$ for $r \geq r_0$.

$T(r) = r \rho^{(\tau)}$ for a sequence of values of $r \rightarrow \infty$.

$T(r) = r \lambda^{(\tau)}$ for a sequence of values of $r \rightarrow \infty$.

For the existence of such proximate orders see [1].

Now, we define

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a as an exceptional value "A" (or $e.v.A.$) if $\liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n(r,a)}{r^\lambda(r)} = 0$.

and

a as an exceptional value "D" (or $e.v.D.$) if $\liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n(r,a)}{r^q(r)} = 0$.

We derive results concerning the $e.v.A.$, $e.v.D.$ and the other exceptional values.

Theorem 1

Let $F(z)$ be a meromorphic function of finite order ρ .

- (i) If a, b are $e.v.E.$, then they are $e.v.A.$, also.
- (ii) If a, b are $e.v.N.$ with total defects, then they are $e.v.A.$ also.
- (iii) $\lambda_1(a) < \lambda \Rightarrow a$ is $e.v.A.$
- (iv) $\Delta(a) = 1 \Rightarrow a$ is $e.v.D.$

where

a is an exceptional value "E" (or $e.v.E.$) if $\liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{T(r,F)}{n(r,a) \cdot \Phi(r)} > 0$, where $\int_A^\infty \frac{dx}{x \cdot \Phi(x)} < \infty$.

and

$$\liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log^+ + n(r,a)}{\log r} = \lambda_1(a).$$

Theorem 2

Let $F(z)$ be a meromorphic function of finite order ρ and $\lambda(r)$ be lower proximate order with respect to $T(r,F)$. If $F(z)$ has two finite values as $e.v.S.$ then,

- (i) $T(r,F') \sim 2T(r,F)$.
- (ii) $\delta(F', \infty) = \Delta(F, \infty) = 0$ and $\delta(F', 0) = \Delta(F', 0) = 1$.
- (iii) $F'(z)$ has "0" as $e.v.L.$ and no other $e.v.L.$

where,

a is an exceptional value "S" (or $e.v.S.$) if $\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n(r,a)}{r^\lambda(r)} = 0$

and

a is an exceptional value "L" (or $e.v.L.$) if $\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n(r,a)}{r^q(r)} = 0$.

Theorem 3

Let $F(z)$ be a meromorphic function of order ρ . If

- (i) $T(r,F) / r^q \cdot L(r) \rightarrow 1$, as $r \rightarrow \infty$.
- (ii) $n_1(r,x) / r^q \cdot L(r) \rightarrow 0$, as $r \rightarrow \infty$.

Then

$$n(r, x) / r^{\varrho} \cdot L(r) \rightarrow \varrho, \text{ for all } x \neq x_1, x_2$$

where

$$n(r, x) = n(r, x_1) + n(r, x_2)$$

and $L(r)$ is continuous for all large r such that $L(cr) \sim L(r)$ for every fixed positive c .

Theorem 4

If

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sup n(r)}{\inf r^{\varrho(r)}} = J, \quad \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sup n(r)}{\inf r^{\lambda(r)}} = H$$

then

$$G \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} - \frac{1}{\varrho} \frac{K}{G} \right) \leq \limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N(r)}{\log M(r)} - \liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N(r)}{\log M(r)} \leq H \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} - \frac{1}{\varrho} \frac{J}{H} \right).$$

Proof of Theorem 1

(i) Since a is *e.v.E.*

$$\liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{T(r)}{n(r, a) \cdot \Phi(r)} > 0.$$

So

$$T(r) > A \cdot n(r, a) \cdot \Phi(r).$$

Hence, $r^{\lambda(r)} > A \cdot n(r, a) \cdot \Phi(r)$ for a sequence of values of $r \rightarrow \infty$, where $\lambda(r)$ is lower proximate order with respect to $T(r, F)$.

So

$$\frac{n(r, a)}{r^{\lambda(r)}} < \frac{A}{\Phi(r)}.$$

Thus

$$\liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n(r, a)}{r^{\lambda(r)}} = 0.$$

Hence, a is *e.v.A.*

(ii)

$$\delta(a) = 1 - \limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N(r, a)}{T(r, F)} = 1$$

so

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N(r, a)}{T(r, F)} = 0.$$

Hence

$$N(r, a) < \varepsilon T(r, F) \text{ for } r \geq r_0$$

but

$$T(r, F) = r^{\lambda(r)}$$

for a sequence of values of $r \rightarrow \infty$ and

$$N(2r, a) > n(r, a) \cdot \log 2.$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} n(r, a) \cdot \log 2 &< N(2r, a) \\ &< \varepsilon \cdot T(2r, F) \end{aligned}$$

$$n(r, a) \cdot \log 2 < \varepsilon (2r)^{\lambda(2r)}$$

for a sequence of values of $r \rightarrow \infty$ and

$$n(r, a) \cdot \log 2 < \varepsilon r^{\lambda(r)} \cdot 2\lambda.$$

hence

$$\liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n(r, a)}{r^{\lambda(r)}} = 0.$$

So a is *e.v.A.*

(iii) $n(r, a) < r^{\lambda_1(a) + \Sigma}$ for a sequence of values of $r \rightarrow \infty$. Then

$$\frac{n(r, a)}{r^{\lambda(r)}} < \frac{r^{\lambda_1(a) + \Sigma}}{r^{\lambda(r)}} = \frac{1}{r^{\lambda(r) - \lambda_1(a) - \Sigma}}$$

so

$$\liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n(r, a)}{r^{\lambda(r)}} = 0$$

Hence a is *e.v.A.*

(iv)

$$A(a) = 1$$

so

$$1 - \liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N(r, a)}{T(r, F)} = 1.$$

Then

$$\liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N(r, a)}{T(r, F)} = 0$$

i.e.,

$$N(r, a) < \varepsilon T(r, F)$$

for a sequence of values of $r \rightarrow \infty$. But

$$T(r, F) \leq r^{\lambda(r)} \text{ for } r \geq r_0$$

so

$$\liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N(r, a)}{r^{\lambda(r)}} = 0 \Rightarrow \liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n(r, a)}{r^{\lambda(r)}} = 0.$$

Therefore a is *e.v.D.*

Proof of Theorem 2

(i) Let a and b be *e.v.S.* Then

$$\frac{n(r,a)}{r^{\lambda(r)}} \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \frac{N(r,a)}{r^{\lambda(r)}} \rightarrow 0$$

and

$$\frac{n(r,b)}{r^{\lambda(r)}} \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \frac{N(r,b)}{r^{\lambda(r)}} \rightarrow 0.$$

But

$$\limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N(r,a)}{T(r)} \leq \limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N(r,a)}{r^{\lambda(r)}} \limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{r^{\lambda(r)}}{T(r)} = 0$$

because

$$\limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{r^{\lambda(r)}}{T(r)} < \infty.$$

So

$$\limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N(r,a)}{T(r,F)} = 0$$

i.e.

$$\delta(a) = 1.$$

Similarly

$$\delta(b) = 1.$$

But from the second fundamental theorem we get

$$T(r) < \bar{N}(r,a) + \bar{N}(r,b) + \bar{N}(r,\infty) + O(\log r).$$

So

$$1 \leq \limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\bar{N}(r,a)}{T(r)} + \limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\bar{N}(r,b)}{T(r)} + \liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\bar{N}(r,\infty)}{T(r)}$$

and

$$\liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\bar{N}(r,\infty)}{T(r,F)} \geq 1.$$

But

$$\limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\bar{N}(r,\infty)}{T(r,F)} \leq 1,$$

so

$$\bar{N}(r,\infty) \sim T(r,F), \text{ as } r \rightarrow \infty.$$

Now

$$\frac{T(r,F)}{T(r,F)} > \frac{N(r,F)}{T(r,F)} = \frac{N(r,F) + \bar{N}(r,F)}{T(r,F)},$$

so

$$\liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{T(r, F')}{T(r, F)} \geq 2.$$

But

$$\limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{T(r, F')}{T(r, F)} \leq 2 - \mu(\infty) - \delta(\infty)$$

hence

$$\mu(\infty) = \delta(\infty) = 0$$

and

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{T(r, F')}{T(r, F)} = 2.$$

(ii) It is known [2] that

$$\lambda(F', 0) \liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{T(r, F')}{T(r, F)} \geq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \delta(a_i).$$

so

$$\lambda(F', 0) \geq 1.$$

Again

$$\lambda(F', 0) \{2 - \delta(\infty) - \mu(\infty)\} \geq \{1 + \lambda(F', 0) - \delta(F, 0)\} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \delta(a_i),$$

so

$$2 \geq \{2 - \delta(F', 0)\} \cdot 2,$$

so

$$1 \geq 2 - \delta(F', 0).$$

Hence

$$\delta(F', 0) = 1.$$

Hence from [2] "0" is *e. v.L.* of $F'(z)$.

Again

$$\frac{N(r, F')}{T(r, F')} \sim \frac{N(r, F)}{2T(r, F)} = \frac{N(r, F) + \bar{N}(r, F)}{2T(r, F)}$$

but

$$\bar{N}(r, F) \sim T(r, F), \text{ as } r \rightarrow \infty$$

so

$$\liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N(r, F')}{T(r, F')} \geq 1.$$

But

$$\limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N(r, F')}{T(r, F')} \leq 1$$

so

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N(r, F')}{T(r, F')} = 1.$$

Hence,

$$\delta(F', \infty) = 0 = \lambda(F', \infty)$$

so " ∞ " is not an *e.v.L.* of $F'(z)$. We shall show that $x(x \neq 0)$ is not *e.v.L.*

It is known, [4] that

$$pq < \frac{N(r, F)}{T(r, F)} + q \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{N(r, a_i)}{T(r, F)} + \sum_{i=1}^q \frac{N(r, 1/F' - b_i)}{T(r, F)} - \left\{ (q-1) \frac{N(r, 1/F')}{T(r, F)} + \frac{N(r, 1/F'')}{T(r, F)} \right\} + o(1).$$

Setting $p = 2$, $q = 1$,

$$\frac{2}{1} < \frac{\bar{N}(r, F)}{T(r, F)} + \frac{N(r, a)}{T(r, F)} + \frac{N(r, b)}{T(r, F)} + \frac{N(r, 1/F' - x)}{T(r, F)} \cdot \frac{T(r, F')}{T(r, F)} + o(1)$$

so

$$2 \leq \liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N(r, 1/F' - x)}{T(r, F)} \cdot \limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{T(r, F')}{T(r, F)} + \limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\bar{N}(r, F)}{T(r, F)} + \limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N(r, a)}{T(r, F)} + \limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N(r, b)}{T(r, F)}$$

so

$$2 \leq \{1 - \lambda(F', x)\} 2 + 1 + 0 + 0$$

so

$$\lambda(F', x) \leq 1/2.$$

But if x were an *e.v.L.* for $F'(z)$, $\lambda(F', x) = 1$. Hence $x(x \neq 0)$ can not be *e.v.L.* This shows that $F'(z)$ can have only " ∞ " as *e.v.L.* and has no other *e.v.L.*

Proof of Theorem 3

$$\frac{n_1(r, x)}{r^q L(r)} \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \frac{N_1(r, x)}{r^q L(r)} \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } r \rightarrow \infty.$$

Now,

$$\frac{T(r, F)}{r^q L(r)} < \frac{N(r, x_1) + N(r, x_2) + N(r, x_3) + o(\log r)}{r^q L(r)}$$

so

$$\frac{T(r, F)}{r^q L(r)} < \frac{N(r, x_3)}{r^q L(r)}.$$

Hence,

$$T(r, F) \sim N(r, x_0)$$

as $r \rightarrow \infty$ so,

$$\frac{N(r, x_0)}{r \in L(x)} \longrightarrow 1 \Rightarrow \frac{n(r, x_0)}{r \in L(r)} \longrightarrow \rho, \text{ as } r \rightarrow \infty.$$

We omit the proof of Theorem 4.

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ÖZET

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