

**ON THE MEAN VALUES OF ENTIRE FUNCTIONS OF SLOW GROWTH
REPRESENTED BY DIRICHLET SERIES**

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Particular types of means are defined for an entire function expressed by means of a DIRICHLET series. Results concerning limits of these means in connection with the logarithmic and lower-logarithmic orders of these functions are obtained.

1. Introduction. Let $f(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n e^{s\lambda_n}$, where $\{a_n\}$ is a sequence of complex numbers,

$s = \sigma + it$, $\lambda_1 \geq 0$, $\lambda_{n+1} < \lambda_n$ and $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log n}{\lambda_n} = D < \infty$ represents an entire function.

Set $M(\sigma) = \text{l.u.b.}_{-\infty < t < \infty} |f(\sigma + it)|$ and $\mu(\sigma) = \max_{n \geq 1} \{|a_n| e^{\sigma \lambda_n}\}$ denote the maximum term in the expansion of $f(s)$. We shall always take $D = 0$. It is well known [1], that for functions of finite RITT-order ρ ,

$$(1.1) \quad \log M(\sigma) \sim \log \mu(\sigma).$$

The means of $f(s)$ are defined by

$$(1.2) \quad v_k(\sigma) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T |f(\sigma + it)|^k dt, \quad 0 < k < \infty,$$

$$(1.3) \quad m_{\delta, k}(\sigma) = \frac{1}{e^{\delta \sigma}} \int_0^{\sigma} V_k(x) e^{\delta x} dx$$

$$= \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T e^{\delta \sigma}} \int_0^{\sigma} \int_{-T}^T |f(x + it)|^k e^{\delta x} dx dt,$$

($0 < \delta, k < \infty$).

Similarly we define mean values of $f^{(m)}(s)$, ($m \geq 1$), the m -th derivative of $f(s)$.

Now let the RITT-order of $f(s)$ be zero. We define the logarithmic order and lower-logarithmic order [4], by

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$$(1.4) \quad \lim_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\inf} \frac{\log \log M(\sigma)}{\log \sigma} = \lim_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\inf} \frac{\log \log m(\sigma)}{\log \sigma} = \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\lambda}.$$

Correspondingly, we define the mean values of $f(s)$ of zero order by (1.2) and

$$(1.5) \quad \begin{aligned} v_{\delta, k}(\sigma) &= \frac{1}{\sigma^{\delta}} \int_0^{\sigma} v_k(x) x^{\delta-1} dx, \quad 1 < \delta < \infty \\ &= \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \frac{1}{\sigma^{\delta}} \int_0^{\sigma} \int_{-T}^T |f(x+it)|^k x^{\delta-1} dx dt. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly for $f^{(m)}(s)$, ($m \geq 1$) we define

$$(1.6) \quad v_k(\sigma, f^{(m)}) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T |f^{(m)}(\sigma+it)|^k dt, \quad 0 < k < \infty,$$

$$(1.7) \quad \begin{aligned} V_{\delta, k}(\sigma, f^{(m)}) &= \frac{1}{\sigma^{\delta}} \int_0^{\sigma} v_k(x, f^{(m)}) x^{\delta-1} dx, \quad 1 < k < \infty \\ &= \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \frac{1}{\sigma^{\delta}} \int_0^{\sigma} \int_{-T}^T |f^{(m)}(x+it)|^k x^{\delta-1} dx dt. \end{aligned}$$

In this paper we study some properties of $v_k(\sigma)$ and $v_{\delta, k}(\sigma)$ etc. for $k = 2$. We shall denote $v_k(\sigma)$ by $\nu(\sigma)$ and $v_{\delta, k}(\sigma)$ by $\nu_{\delta}(\sigma)$ for $k = 2$. The functions $\nu(\sigma, f^{(m)})$ and $\nu_{\delta}(\sigma, f^{(m)})$ carry the same meaning for $f^{(m)}(s)$.

2. Lemmas.

Lemma 1. $\sigma^{\delta} \nu(\sigma)$ is a convex function of $\nu_{\delta}(\sigma) \sigma^{\delta}$.

Proof. We have :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d(\sigma^{\delta} \nu(\sigma))}{d(\sigma^{\delta} \nu_{\delta}(\sigma))} &= \frac{\frac{d}{d\sigma} (\sigma^{\delta} \nu(\sigma))}{\frac{d}{d\sigma} (\sigma^{\delta} \nu_{\delta}(\sigma))} \\ &= \frac{\delta \sigma^{\delta-1} \nu(\sigma) + \sigma^{\delta} \frac{d\nu(\sigma)}{d\sigma}}{\sigma^{\delta-1} \nu(\sigma)} \\ &= \delta + \sigma \frac{d \log \nu(\sigma)}{d\sigma}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\log v(\sigma)$ is a convex function of σ , [9], it follows that $\frac{d \log v(\sigma)}{d\sigma}$ and therefore $\sigma \frac{d \log v(\sigma)}{d\sigma}$ is positive increasing. Hence $\sigma^\delta v(\sigma)$ is a convex function of $\sigma^\delta v_\delta(\sigma)$.

Lemma 2. $v_\delta(\sigma)$ increases with $\log \sigma$ and $\log v_\delta(\sigma)$ is a convex function of $\log \sigma$, for $\sigma > \sigma_0$.

Proof. We have, by the definition of $v_\delta(\sigma)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d \log v_\delta(\sigma)}{d \log \sigma} &= \sigma \frac{d}{d\sigma} \left[\log \left\{ \int_0^\sigma v(x) \cdot x^{\delta-1} dx \right\} - \delta \log \sigma \right] \\ &= \frac{v(\sigma)}{v_\delta(\sigma)} - \delta. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\sigma^\delta v(\sigma)$ is a convex function of $\sigma^\delta v_\delta(\sigma)$, the right hand side above is a positive, indefinitely increasing function of σ for $\sigma > \sigma_0$ (say.) Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2 \log v_\delta(\sigma)}{d(\log \sigma)^2} &= \sigma \frac{d}{d\sigma} \left(\frac{v(\sigma)}{v_\delta(\sigma)} \right) \\ &> 0 \text{ for } \sigma > \sigma_0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\log v_\delta(\sigma)$ is a convex increasing function of $\log \sigma$ and lemma 2 follows.

Lemma 3. $\lim_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log v_\delta(\sigma)}{\sigma} = \infty$.

Proof. Since $v(\sigma)$ is always a positive and increasing function of σ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} v_\delta(\sigma) &= \frac{1}{\sigma^\delta} \int_0^\sigma v(x) x^{\delta-1} dx \\ &\geq \frac{1}{\sigma^\delta} \int_{\sigma/2}^\sigma v(x) x^{\delta-1} dx \\ &\geq \frac{v(\sigma/2)}{\delta} \left[1 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^\delta \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\lim_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log v(\sigma)}{\sigma} = \infty$, we have $\lim_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log v_\delta(\sigma)}{\sigma} = \infty$ and lemma 3 follows.

Next we prove:

Theorem 1. For $v(\sigma)$ defined as in 1.

$$(2.1) \quad \lim_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sup \log \log v(\sigma)}{\inf \log \sigma} = \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\bar{\lambda}}.$$

Proof. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \nu(\sigma) &= \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T |f(\sigma + it)|^2 dt \\ &\leq \{M(\sigma)\}^2. \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\log \nu(\sigma) \leq 2 \log M(\sigma)$$

or

$$\frac{\log \log \nu(\sigma)}{\log \sigma} \leq O(1) + \frac{\log \log M(\sigma)}{\log \sigma}.$$

Therefore

$$(2.2) \quad \limsup_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \log \nu(\sigma)}{\log \sigma} \leq \limsup_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \log M(\sigma)}{\log \sigma} = \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\lambda}.$$

Again, proceeding as in [3], it can be seen very easily that

$$(2.3) \quad \nu(\sigma) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n|^2 e^{2\sigma \lambda_n}$$

for all $\sigma < \infty$. Since the series on the right hand side is of positive terms,

$$\nu(\sigma) \geq |a_n|^2 e^{2\sigma \lambda_n}, \quad n \geq 1, \quad \sigma < \infty.$$

Hence, for all $\sigma < \infty$

$$\nu(\sigma) \geq \{\mu(\sigma)\}^2$$

or

$$\frac{\log \log \nu(\sigma)}{\log \sigma} \geq O(1) + \frac{\log \log \mu(\sigma)}{\log \sigma}$$

or

$$(2.4) \quad \liminf_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \log \nu(\sigma)}{\log \sigma} \geq \liminf_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \log \mu(\sigma)}{\log \sigma} = \frac{\underline{\rho}}{\lambda}.$$

Combining (2.2) and (2.4) we get (2.1).

Theorem 2. If $f(s)$ is of logarithmic order $\bar{\rho}$ and lower logarithmic order λ ($1 \leq \lambda, \bar{\rho} \leq \infty$) then

$$(2.5) \quad \liminf_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \log \nu(\sigma)}{\log \sigma} = \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\lambda}.$$

Proof. Since $v(\sigma)$ is an increasing function of σ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{v(\sigma)}{\delta} \left\{ 1 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^\delta \right\} &\leq \frac{1}{(2\sigma)^\delta} \int_{\sigma}^{2\sigma} v(x) x^{\delta-1} dx \\ &\leq \frac{1}{(2\sigma)^\delta} \int_{\sigma}^{2\sigma} v(x) x^{\delta-1} dx = v_\delta(2\sigma) \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\log v(\sigma) + 0(1) \leq \log v_\delta(2\sigma)$

or

$$\frac{\log \log v(\sigma)}{\log \sigma} + 0(1) \leq \frac{\log \log v_\delta(2\sigma)}{\log(2\sigma)} \frac{\log 2\sigma}{\log \sigma}$$

or

$$(2.6) \quad \limsup_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \log v(\sigma)}{\log \sigma} \leq \limsup_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \log v_\delta(\sigma)}{\log \sigma}$$

Conversely we have

$$\begin{aligned} v_\delta(\tau) &= 0(1) + \frac{1}{\sigma^\delta} \int_{\sigma_1}^{\tau} v(x) \cdot x^{\delta-1} dx, \quad \sigma > \sigma_1 \\ &\leq 0(1) + \frac{1}{\sigma^\delta} \int_{\sigma_1}^{2\sigma} v(x) x^{\delta-1} dx \\ &\leq 0(1) + \frac{v(2\sigma)}{\delta} [(2)^\delta - 0(1)]. \end{aligned}$$

Proceeding as above we get

$$(2.7) \quad \limsup_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \log v_\delta(\sigma)}{\log \sigma} \leq \limsup_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \log v(\sigma)}{\log \sigma}.$$

Combining (2.1), (2.6) and (2.7) we get (2.5).

Theorem 3. If $f(s)$ is an entire function of logarithmic order $\bar{\varrho}$ and lower logarithmic order $\bar{\lambda}$ ($1 \leq \bar{\lambda}$, $\bar{\varrho} \leq \infty$) then

$$(2.8) \quad \limsup_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \{v(\sigma) / v_\delta(\sigma)\}}{\log \sigma} = \frac{\bar{\varrho}}{\bar{\lambda}}.$$

Proof. Let

$$\limsup_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \{v(\sigma) / v_\delta(\sigma)\}}{\log \sigma} = L.$$

Let $1 \leq L < \infty$. Then, given $\varepsilon > 0$

$$(2.9) \quad \frac{v(\sigma)}{v_{\delta}(\sigma)} < \sigma^{(L+\varepsilon)} \text{ for all } \sigma > \sigma_0. ^1)$$

Now

$$\log \{t^{\delta} v_{\delta}(t)\} = \log \left\{ \int_0^t v(x) x^{\delta-1} dx \right\}.$$

Differentiating on both sides

$$\frac{\frac{d}{dt} \{t^{\delta} v_{\delta}(t)\}}{t^{\delta} v_{\delta}(t)} = \frac{v(t) t^{\delta-1}}{\int_0^t v(x) x^{\delta-1} dx} = \frac{v(t) t^{\delta-1}}{v_{\delta}(t) t^{\delta}}.$$

Integrating from σ_0 to σ on both sides

$$(2.10) \quad \log \{\sigma^{\delta} v_{\delta}(\sigma)\} = \log \{\sigma_0^{\delta} v_{\delta}(\sigma_0)\} + \int_{\sigma_0}^{\sigma} \frac{v(x)}{v_{\delta}(x)} \frac{dx}{x}.$$

Hence using (2.9)

$$\log \{\sigma^{\delta} v_{\delta}(\sigma)\} < O(1) + \frac{\sigma^{L+\varepsilon}}{L+\varepsilon}$$

or, by lemma 3,

$$\log v_{\delta}(\sigma) \{1 + O(1)\} < O(1) + \frac{\sigma^{L+\varepsilon}}{L+\varepsilon}, \quad \sigma > \sigma_0$$

or

$$\frac{\log \log v_{\delta}(\sigma)}{\log \sigma} \leq (L + \varepsilon) \{1 + O(1)\}, \quad \sigma > \sigma_0$$

or

$$(2.11) \quad \limsup_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \log v_{\delta}(\sigma)}{\log \sigma} = \bar{\nu} \leq L$$

which obviously holds if $L = \infty$.

Again we have by (2.10)

$$\begin{aligned} \log \{(2\sigma)^{\delta} v_{\delta}(2\sigma)\} &= \log \{(\sigma_0^{\delta} v_{\delta}(\sigma_0))\} + \int_{\sigma_0}^{2\sigma} \frac{v(x)}{v_{\delta}(x)} \frac{dx}{x} \\ &> O(1) + \int_{\sigma}^{2\sigma} \frac{v(x)}{v_{\delta}(x)} \frac{dx}{x}. \end{aligned}$$

¹⁾ σ_0 need not be the same at each occurrence.

Since $\frac{\nu(x)}{\nu_\delta(x)}$ is an increasing function of x

$$\begin{aligned} \log \{ (2\sigma)^\delta \nu_\delta(2\sigma) \} &> O(1) + \frac{\nu(\sigma)}{\nu_\delta(\sigma)} \log 2 \\ &> O(1) + \sigma^{(L-\varepsilon)} \log 2 \end{aligned}$$

for a sequence of values of σ tending to infinity, or

$$(2.12) \quad \limsup_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \log \nu_\delta(\sigma)}{\log \sigma} \geq L.$$

If $L = \infty$, then by taking an arbitrary large number in place of $(L - \varepsilon)$ we get

$$\limsup_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \log \nu_\delta(\sigma)}{\log \sigma} = \infty.$$

Hence combining (2.11) and (2.12) we get

$$\limsup_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \log \nu_\delta(\sigma)}{\log \sigma} = \bar{\varrho} = L$$

or

$$\limsup_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \{ \nu(\sigma) / \nu_\delta(\sigma) \}}{\log \sigma} = \bar{\varrho}.$$

Similarly we can show that

$$\liminf_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \{ \nu(\sigma) / \nu_\delta(\sigma) \}}{\log \sigma} = \bar{\lambda}$$

and thus the proof of Theorem 3 is completed.

Corollary. If $f(s)$ is of finite logarithmic order $\bar{\varrho}$,

$$(2.13) \quad \log \nu(\sigma) \sim \log \nu_\delta(\sigma) \sim 2 \log M(\sigma)$$

we have from (2.8)

$$(\bar{\lambda} - \varepsilon) \log \sigma < \log \nu(\sigma) - \log \nu_\delta(\sigma) < (\bar{\varrho} + \varepsilon) \log \sigma, \quad \sigma > \sigma_0$$

or

$$\frac{(\bar{\lambda} - \varepsilon) \log \sigma}{\log \nu_\delta(\sigma)} + 1 < \frac{\log \nu(\sigma)}{\log \nu_\delta(\sigma)} < \frac{(\bar{\varrho} + \varepsilon) \log \sigma}{\log \nu_\delta(\sigma)} + 1.$$

Taking limits as $\sigma \rightarrow \infty$ we get the result in view of Lemma 3 and Theorem 1.

3. In this section we shall investigate the relationship between the means of $f(s)$ and its derivatives $f^{(m)}(s)$. We prove:

Theorem 4. If $v_\delta(\sigma)$ and $v_\delta(\sigma, f^{(1)})$ denote the mean values of $f(s)$ and its first derivative then we have for $\sigma > \sigma_0$,

$$(3.1) \quad v_\delta(\sigma, f^{(1)}) \geq v_\delta(\sigma) \left\{ \frac{\log v_\delta(\sigma)}{2\sigma \log \sigma} \right\}^2.$$

Proof. We have

$$\begin{aligned} v_\delta(\sigma, f^{(1)}) &= \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T\sigma^\delta} \int_0^\sigma \int_{-T}^T |f^{(1)}(x+it)|^2 x^{\delta-1} dx dt, \quad 1 < \delta < \infty \\ &= \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T\sigma^\delta} \int_\sigma^0 \int_{-T}^T \left| \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+it) - f(\overline{x-\varepsilon x} + it)}{\varepsilon x} \right|^2 x^{\delta-1} dx dt \\ v_\delta(\sigma, f^{(1)}) &= \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2T\varepsilon^2\sigma^\delta} \int_\sigma^0 \int_{-T}^T \left\{ \left| \frac{f(x+it) - f(\overline{x-\varepsilon x} + it)}{x} \right|^2 x^{\delta-1} \right\} dx dt \\ &\geq \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2T\varepsilon^2\sigma^{\delta+2}} \int_\sigma^0 \int_{-T}^T \left[\left\{ |f(x+it)| - |f(\overline{x-\varepsilon x} + it)| \right\}^2 x^{\delta-1} \right] dx dt. \end{aligned}$$

Now by MINKOWSKI'S inequality

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{-T}^T \left\{ |f(x+it)| - |f(\overline{x-\varepsilon x} + it)| \right\}^2 dt \\ &\geq \left\{ \left(\int_{-T}^T |f(x+it)|^2 dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - \left(\int_{-T}^T |f(\overline{x-\varepsilon x} + it)|^2 dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right\}^2, \end{aligned}$$

hence

$$\begin{aligned} v_\delta(\sigma, f^{(1)}) &\geq \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2T\varepsilon^2\sigma^{\delta+2}} \left[\int_0^\sigma \left\{ \left(\int_{-T}^T |f(x+it)|^2 dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. - \left(\int_{-T}^T |f(\overline{x-\varepsilon x} + it)|^2 dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right\}^2 x^{\delta-1} dx \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Again, by MINKOWSKI'S inequality

$$\begin{aligned} v_{\delta}(\sigma, f^{(1)}) &\geq \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2T\varepsilon^2\sigma^{\delta+2}} \left[\left\{ \int_0^{\sigma} \int_{-T}^T |f(x+it)|^2 x^{\delta-1} dx dt \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \left\{ \int_0^{\sigma} \int_{-T}^T |f(x-\varepsilon x+it)|^2 x^{\delta-1} dx dt \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}} \right]^2 \\ &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\{v_{\delta}(\sigma)\}^{\frac{1}{2}} - \{v_{\delta}(\sigma - \varepsilon\sigma)\}^{\frac{1}{2}}}{\varepsilon \sigma} \right]^2. \end{aligned}$$

Let us set $g(\sigma) = \frac{\log v_{\delta}(\sigma)}{\log \sigma}$. Then, since by lemma 2 $\log v_{\delta}(\sigma)$ is a convex increasing function of $\log \sigma$ for $\sigma > \sigma_0$, it follows that $g(\sigma)$ is a positive increasing function of σ for $\sigma > \sigma_0$. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} v_{\delta}(\sigma, f^{(1)}) &\geq \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\sigma^{g(\sigma)/2} - (\sigma - \varepsilon\sigma)^{g(\sigma-\varepsilon\sigma)/2}}{\varepsilon \sigma} \right]^2 \\ &\geq \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\sigma^{g(\sigma)/2} (1 - (1 - \varepsilon)^{g(\sigma)/2})}{\varepsilon \sigma} \right]^2 \\ &\geq \left[\sigma^{g(\sigma)/2} \frac{g(\sigma)}{2\sigma} \right]^2 \\ &= v_{\delta}(\sigma) \left\{ \frac{\log v_{\delta}(\sigma)}{2\sigma \log \sigma} \right\}^2. \end{aligned}$$

Hence Theorem 4 follows.

We give some applications of Theorem 4.

(i) If $1 < \bar{\lambda} < \bar{\mu} < \infty$ then

$$(3.2) \quad v_{\delta}(\sigma) < v_{\delta}(\sigma, f^{(1)}) < v_{\delta}(\sigma, f^{(2)}) < \dots$$

for sufficiently large values of σ .

From (3.1) we have

$$\log \{v_{\delta}(\sigma, f^{(1)}) / v_{\delta}(\sigma)\}^{\frac{1}{2}} \geq \log \log v_{\delta}(\sigma) - \log(2\sigma) - \log \log \sigma.$$

Hence

$$\lim_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\inf} \frac{\log \{v_{\delta}(\sigma, f^{(1)}) / v_{\delta}(\sigma)\}^{\frac{1}{2}}}{\log \sigma} \geq \frac{\bar{\mu} - 1}{\bar{\lambda} - 1}.$$

Therefore for any $\varepsilon < 0$ and all large σ ,

$$v_{\delta}(\sigma, f^{(1)}) > v_{\delta}(\sigma), \sigma^{(2\bar{\lambda}-1-\varepsilon)}$$

Since $\bar{\lambda} > 1$ and δ can be taken arbitrarily small we get

$$r_{\delta}(\sigma, f^{(1)}) > v_{\delta}(\sigma).$$

Writing this inequality for $f^{(1)}(s)$, $f^{(2)}(s)$, ... and combining we get (3.2).

(ii) For $\bar{\lambda} \leq \bar{\nu} < \infty$,

$$(3.3) \quad \lim_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\inf} \frac{\log \{v_{\delta}(\sigma, f^{(m)}) / v_{\delta}(\sigma)\}^{\frac{1}{2m}}}{\log \sigma} \geq \frac{\bar{\nu} - 1}{\bar{\lambda} - 1}.$$

Writing (3.1) for the function $f^{(n-1)}(s)$ we have

$$\frac{v_{\delta}(\sigma, f^{(m)})}{v_{\delta}(\sigma)} \geq \left\{ \frac{\log v_{\delta}(\sigma)}{2\sigma \log \sigma} \right\}^{2m}$$

Writing this for $m = 1, 2, 3, \dots, m$ and multiplying the resulting inequalities, we get

$$\frac{v_{\delta}(\sigma, f^{(m)})}{v_{\delta}(\sigma)} \geq \left\{ \frac{\log v_{\delta}(\sigma)}{2\sigma \log \sigma} \right\}^{2m}$$

since $v_{\delta}(\sigma) < v_{\delta}(\sigma, f^{(1)}) < v_{\delta}(\sigma, f^{(2)}) < \dots$, for $\bar{\lambda} > 1$.

Hence we have

$$\lim_{\sigma \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\inf} \frac{\log \{v_{\delta}(\sigma, f^{(m)}) / v_{\delta}(\sigma)\}^{\frac{1}{2m}}}{\log \sigma} \geq \frac{\bar{\nu} - 1}{\bar{\lambda} - 1}$$

and (3.3) follows.

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ÖZET

Bir DIRICHLET serisi ile verilen bir tam fonksiyon için bazı ortalamalar tanımlanmakta ve bu ortalamalara bağlı bazı ifadelerin alt ve üst limitlerinin, fonksiyonun logaritmik ve alt-logaritmik derecesi denen bazı büyüklüklerle ilgileri araştırılmaktadır.