

III. On the Rate of Growth of Blaschke Products in the Unit Circle

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1. Introduction. Let us put

$$B(z) = \prod_{n=1}^{+\infty} b(z, a_n),$$

where $b(z, a) = |a|/a \cdot (a-z)/(1-\bar{a}z)$, $S = \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} (1-|a_n|) < +\infty$. Then we can find the sequence $\{r_n\}^{*)}$ such that

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{aligned} (1) \quad & 1 = r_1 > r_2 > r_3 \cdots \rightarrow 0, \\ (2) \quad & \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} 1/r_n^2 \cdot (1-|a_n|) < +\infty. \end{aligned}$$

For the sake of convenience, we introduce some notations:

- (1) $D(e^{i\varphi}, \vartheta) = \{z; |\arg(1-ze^{-i\varphi})| \leq \vartheta < \pi/2, |z-e^{i\varphi}| \leq \cos \vartheta\}$.
- (2) $D(e^{i\varphi}, r_1, r_2) = (|z-r_1e^{i\varphi}| \leq 1-r_1) \cap (|z-r_2e^{i\varphi}| \geq 1-r_2)$,
($0 < r_1 < r_2 < 1$).
- (3) $\mathcal{D} = \bigcap_n \{z; \rho(z, a_n) \geq R_n\}$, where $\rho(a, b)$: The non-Euclidean hyperbolic distance between a and b , $R_n = \tanh^{-1} r_n$ ($n=1, 2, \dots$).
- (4) $S(\varepsilon) = \sum_{|a_n - e^{i\varphi}| < \varepsilon} 1/r_n^2 \cdot (1-|a_n|)$.

Then we can state our theorems as follows:

Theorem 1.

$$(1.2) \quad \lim_{\substack{|z| \rightarrow 1 \\ z \in \mathcal{D}}} (1-|z|) \log |1/B(z)| = 0.$$

As its immediate consequences, we get following:

Corollary 1.

$$(1.3) \quad \lim_{z \rightarrow e^{i\varphi}} |z-e^{i\varphi}| \cdot \log |1/B(z)| = 0 \text{ uniformly as } z \rightarrow e^{i\varphi} \text{ inside } D(e^{i\varphi}, \vartheta) \cap \mathcal{D}.$$

Corollary 2. *If there exists no $\{a_n\}$ in the sector $S: \alpha \leq \arg(1-ze^{-i\varphi}) \leq \beta$ ($-\pi/2 < \alpha < \beta < \pi/2$), then $\lim_{z \rightarrow e^{i\varphi}} |z-e^{i\varphi}| \cdot \log |1/B(z)| = 0$ uniformly as $z \rightarrow e^{i\varphi}$ inside the subsector of S .*

As an interesting application of Corollary 2, we can establish

Theorem 2. *If the sequence $\{a_n\}$ lies on the chord $L: \arg(1-ze^{-i\varphi}) = \vartheta$ ($|\vartheta| < \pi/2$), then L is Julia-line for $f(z) = B(z) \cdot \exp\{\alpha \cdot (e^{i\varphi} + z)/(e^{i\varphi} - z)\}$ ($\alpha > 0$).*

Under additional conditions, we can prove more precise theorems than Theorem 1:

Theorem 3. *If $\overline{\lim}_{\varepsilon \rightarrow +0} S(\varepsilon)/\varepsilon^2 < +\infty$, then $\underline{\lim} |B(z)| > 0$ as $z \rightarrow e^{i\varphi}$ inside $\mathcal{D} \cap (D(e^{i\varphi}, \vartheta) \cup D(e^{i\varphi}, r_1, r_2))$.*

*) Vide lemma 1.