

## THE VALUE-DISTRIBUTION OF RANDOM ENTIRE FUNCTIONS

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1. It is well-known that, for a given entire function  $f(z)$ ,  $\delta(a, f) = 0$  ( $a \in C$ ) holds except possibly for a countable set, where “ $\delta$ ” denotes the deficiency and  $C$  the complex plane. We cannot generally remove the above exceptional set. The purpose of this paper is to show that the totality of entire functions  $f(z)$  with  $\delta^*(f) = \sup_{a \in C} \delta(a, f) > 0$  is thin in a sense.

An open interval  $\Omega = (-1/2, 1/2)$  is naturally a probability space. A Rademacher series  $\varepsilon = (\varepsilon_k)_{k=1}^\infty$  in  $\Omega$  is defined by  $\varepsilon_k(\omega) = \text{sign}(\sin 2^k \pi \omega)$  ( $\omega \in \Omega$ ). For a sequence  $(a_k)_{k=1}^\infty$  ( $\neq 0$ )  $\subset C$  with  $\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} |a_k|^{1/k} = 0$ , a random entire function is defined by

$$(1) \quad f_\varepsilon(z) = \sum_{k=1}^\infty \varepsilon_k a_k z^k = \left\{ f_\omega(z) = \sum_{k=1}^\infty \varepsilon_k(\omega) a_k z^k; \omega \in \Omega \right\}.$$

A random entire function  $f_\varepsilon(z)$  is a probability space of entire functions. We write simply  $\delta(a, \omega) = \delta(a, f_\omega)$ ,  $\delta^*(\omega) = \delta^*(f_\omega)$ . In this paper, we shall show the following

**THEOREM.**  $\delta^*(\omega) = 0$  almost surely (a. s.).

2. We denote by “ $Pr$ ” the probability. Put

$$(2) \quad \begin{cases} T(r, f_\omega) = 1/2\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \log^+ |f_\omega(re^{it})| dt \\ T_0(r) = \log^+ A_0(r), \quad A_0(r) = \left( \sum_{k=1}^\infty |a_k|^2 r^{2k} \right)^{1/2} \\ m(r, a, \omega) = 1/2\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \log^+ 1/|f_\omega(re^{it}) - a| dt \quad (a \in C, r > 0), \end{cases}$$

where  $\log^+ x = \max\{\log x, 0\}$  ( $x > 0$ ). Note that  $\delta(a, \omega) = \liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} m(r, a, \omega)/T(r, f_\omega)$  ( $a \in C, \omega \in \Omega$ ). If  $\#\{k; a_k \neq 0\} < \infty$ , then  $f_\varepsilon(z)$  is a probability space of polynomials and we see easily  $\delta^*(\omega) = 0$  for all  $\omega \in \Omega$ . The proof in the case where

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$\#\{k; a_k \neq 0\} = \infty$  is essential. For the sake of simplicity, we only give the proof in the case where  $a_k \neq 0$  for all  $k$ . We use the following proposition, which is an improvement of Lemma 4 in [5].

PROPOSITION. Suppose that there exist a set  $\Omega_0 \subset \Omega$  with  $Pr(\Omega_0) = 1$  and mappings  $\delta(\cdot; m, q, p)$  ( $p = 1, \dots, q; q = 1, 2, \dots; m = 1, 2, \dots$ ) from  $\Omega_0$  to an interval  $[0, 1]$  such that:

- (3) If  $\omega \in \Omega_0$  and  $\omega'$  satisfy  $\varepsilon_k(\omega') = \varepsilon_k(\omega)$  except for a finite number of  $k$ 's, then  $\omega' \in \Omega_0$ .
- (4)  $\delta^*(\omega) \leq \delta(\omega; m, q, p)$ .
- (5)  $\sum_{\omega' \in \Gamma(\omega, m, p)} \delta(\omega'; m, q, p) \leq 1$  for all  $\omega \in \Omega_0$ , where  $\Gamma(\omega, m, p) = \{\omega' \in \Omega_0; \varepsilon_k(\omega') = \varepsilon_k(\omega) \text{ for all } k \text{ with } k \neq (p-1)m+1, (p-1)m+2, \dots, pm\}$ .
- (6)  $\delta(\omega; m, q, p) = \delta(\omega'; m, q, p)$  if  $\varepsilon_k(\omega) = \varepsilon_k(\omega')$  for all  $k \geq (p-1)m+1$ .

Then  $\delta^*(\omega) = 0$  a. s..

*Proof.* For a sequence  $(\varepsilon_n, \varepsilon_{n+1}, \dots)$ ,  $\varepsilon_k = \pm 1$ , we put  $\Omega(\varepsilon_n, \varepsilon_{n+1}, \dots) = \{\omega \in \Omega_0; \varepsilon_k(\omega) = \varepsilon_k (k \geq n)\}$ . Let  $m, q \geq 1$  and  $(\alpha_{qm+1}, \alpha_{qm+2}, \dots)$ ,  $\alpha_k = \pm 1$ , be a sequence such that  $\Omega(\alpha_{qm+1}, \alpha_{qm+2}, \dots) \neq \Phi$ . Then, by (3),  $\#\Omega(\alpha_{qm+1}, \dots) = 2^{qm}$ . Now we show that there exists an  $m$ -tuple  $(\beta_{(q-1)m+1}, \dots, \beta_{qm})$ ,  $\beta_k = \pm 1$ , such that  $\delta^*(\omega) \leq 2^{-m}$  ( $\omega \in \Omega(\beta_{(q-1)m+1}, \dots, \beta_{qm}, \alpha_{qm+1}, \alpha_{qm+2}, \dots)$ ).

To see this, choose arbitrarily  $\omega_0 \in \Omega(\alpha_{qm+1}, \dots)$ . By (5), we have

$$\sum_{\omega \in \Gamma(\omega_0, m, q)} \delta(\omega; m, q, q) \leq 1.$$

Since  $\#\Gamma(\omega_0, m, q) = 2^m$ , there exists  $\omega'_0$  such that  $\delta(\omega'_0; m, q, q) \leq 2^{-m}$ . Put  $\beta_k = \varepsilon_k(\omega'_0)$  ( $k = (q-1)m+1, \dots, qm$ ). Then  $\delta^*(\omega) \leq \delta(\omega; m, q, q) = \delta(\omega'_0; m, q, q) \leq 2^{-m}$  ( $\omega \in \Omega(\beta_{(q-1)m+1}, \dots, \beta_{qm}, \alpha_{qm+1}, \dots)$ ). Thus the required  $m$ -tuple  $(\beta_{(q-1)m+1}, \dots, \beta_{qm})$  is obtained.

The above fact signifies that  $\delta^*(\omega) \leq 2^{-m}$  ( $\omega \in \Omega(\varepsilon_{(q-2)m+1}, \dots, \varepsilon_{qm}, \alpha_{qm+1}, \dots)$ ) holds if  $(\varepsilon_{(q-1)m+1}, \dots, \varepsilon_{qm}) = (\beta_{(q-1)m+1}, \dots, \beta_{qm})$ , and hence it holds for the at least  $2^m$  number of  $2m$ -tuples in the  $2^{2m}$  number of  $2m$ -tuples  $(\varepsilon_{(q-2)m+1}, \dots, \varepsilon_{qm})$ ,  $\varepsilon_k = \pm 1$ .

For every  $(\gamma_{(q-1)m+1}, \dots, \gamma_{qm}) \neq (\beta_{(q-1)m+1}, \dots, \beta_{qm})$ ,  $\gamma_k = \pm 1$ , we can choose an  $m$ -tuple  $(\sigma_{(q-2)m+1}, \dots, \sigma_{(q-1)m})$ ,  $\sigma_k = \pm 1$ , such that  $\delta^*(\omega) \leq 2^{-m}$  ( $\omega \in \Omega(\sigma_{(q-2)m+1}, \dots, \sigma_{(q-1)m}, \gamma_{(q-1)m+1}, \dots, \gamma_{qm}, \alpha_{qm+1}, \dots)$ ). These facts signify that  $\delta^*(\omega) \leq 2^{-m}$  ( $\omega \in \Omega(\varepsilon_{(q-2)m+1}, \dots, \varepsilon_{qm}, \alpha_{qm+1}, \dots)$ ) holds for the at least  $2^m + (2^m - 1) = 2^{2m} - (2^m - 1)^2$  number of  $2m$ -tuples in the  $2^{2m}$  number of  $2m$ -tuples  $(\varepsilon_{(q-2)m+1}, \dots, \varepsilon_{qm})$ ,  $\varepsilon_k = \pm 1$ .

Repeating this discussion, we see that  $\delta^*(\omega) \leq 2^{-m}$  ( $\omega \in \Omega(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_{qm}, \alpha_{qm+1}, \dots)$ ) holds for the at least  $2^{2m} - (2^m - 1)^q$  number of  $qm$ -tuples in the  $2^{2m}$  number of  $qm$ -tuples  $(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_{qm})$ ,  $\varepsilon_k = \pm 1$ .

Since  $Pr(\Omega_0)=1$  and  $(\alpha_{qm+1}, \alpha_{qm+2}, \dots)$  is arbitrary as long as  $\Omega(\alpha_{qm+1}, \dots) \neq \emptyset$ , we have  $Pr(\delta^*(\omega) \leq 2^{-m}) \geq 1 - \{(2^m - 1)/2^m\}^q$ . Since  $q \geq 1$  is arbitrary, we have  $\delta^*(\omega) \leq 2^{-m}$  a. s.. Since  $Pr(\bigcap_{m=1}^{\infty} \{\delta^*(\omega) \leq 2^{-m}\}) = 1$ , we have  $\delta^*(\omega) = 0$  a. s..

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3. By the above proposition, it is sufficient to show the existence of such a set and such mappings. To define these, we need the following two lemmas, which are analogous to Lemma 3, 6 in [5]. Since these proofs are analogous, we omit the proofs.

LEMMA 1. *There exists a constant  $C_0$  such that, for any sequence  $(\rho_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ ,  $\rho_n > 0$ ,  $\rho_n \rightarrow \infty$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ),*

$$(7) \quad \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} T(\rho_n, f_\omega) / T_0(\rho_n) > C_0 \quad \text{a. s..}$$

LEMMA 2. *Put*

$$(8) \quad \begin{cases} A_l(r) = \left( \sum_{k=l}^{\infty} \{k! / (k-l)!\}^2 |a_k|^2 r^{2(k-l)} \right)^{1/2} \\ T_l(r) = \log^+ A_l(r) \quad (a_0 = 0, l = 0, 1, \dots). \end{cases}$$

Then, for a given  $K \geq 1$ , there exists a sequence  $(r_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} = (r_n(K))_{n=1}^{\infty}$ ,  $r_n > 0$ ,  $r_n \rightarrow \infty$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ), such that :

$$(9) \quad A_0\left(r_n + \frac{1}{A_0(r_n)}\right) \leq 2A_0(r_n).$$

$$(10) \quad T_l\left(r_n + \frac{1}{T_l(r_n)}\right) \leq 2T_l(r_n) \quad (l = 0, \dots, K).$$

Now we put :

$$(11) \quad \Omega_0 = \bigcap_{m=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{q=1}^{\infty} \{\omega \in \Omega; \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} T(r_n(mq), f_\omega) / T_0(r_n(mq)) > C_0\}.$$

$$(12) \quad \delta(\omega; m, q, p) = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty, n \in J_{\omega mq}} T(r_n(mq), 1/f_\omega^{((p-1)m+1)}) / T(r_n(mq), f_\omega),$$

where  $(r_n(mq))_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is the sequence in Lemma 2 with  $K = mq$  and

$$\Delta_{\omega mq} = \{n; T(r_n(mq), f_\omega) / T_0(r_n(mq)) > C_0\} \quad (\omega \in \Omega_0).$$

Thus  $\Omega_0, \delta(\cdot; m, q, p)$  ( $p = 1, \dots, q; q \geq 1; m \geq 1$ ) are defined.

4. We show that the above  $\Omega_0, \delta(\cdot; m, q, p)$  satisfy the conditions in Lemma 1. We see easily  $Pr(\Omega_0) = 1$  and (3). For given  $m, q \geq 1$ , we must prove that  $\delta_p(\cdot) = \delta(\cdot; m, q, p)$  ( $p = 1, \dots, q$ ) satisfy (4), (5) and (6). So we write simply  $r_n = r_n(mq)$  ( $n \geq 1$ ). We see easily (6). To prove (4) and (5), we need

the following two lemmas. Lemma 3 is proved analogously as in THEOREM 2.1 in [1] and Lemma 4 is analogous to Lemma 8 in [5], and hence we omit the proofs.

LEMMA 3. *Let  $g(z)$  be an entire function ( $\neq a$  polynomial) and  $\{P_j(z)\}_{j=1}^n$  mutually distinct polynomials of degree  $\nu$ . Then*

$$(13) \quad \sum_{j=1}^n T(r, 1/g_j) \leq T(r, g^{(\nu+1)}) + \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{\mu=1}^{\nu+1} T(r, g_j^{(\mu)}/g_j^{(\mu-1)}) + O(\log r),$$

where  $g_j(z) = g(z) + P_j(z)$  ( $j=1, \dots, n$ ).

LEMMA 4. *Let  $\omega \in \Omega_0$ . Then, for any  $a \in \mathbb{C}$  and any  $l, 1 \leq l \leq qm+1$ , we have  $T(r_n, f_\omega^{(l)}/(f_\omega^{(l-1)} - a)) = o(T_0(r_n))$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ).*

First we prove (4). Let  $\omega \in \Omega_0$ . For every  $a \in \mathbb{C}$ , we have

$$(14) \quad \begin{aligned} m(r_n, a, \omega) &= T(r_n, 1/(f_\omega - a)) \\ &= T\left(r_n, \frac{f'_\omega}{f_\omega - a} \cdot \frac{f''_\omega}{f'_\omega} \cdots \frac{f_\omega^{((p-1)m+1)}}{f_\omega^{((p-1)m)}} \cdot \frac{1}{f_\omega^{((p-1)m+1)}}\right) \\ &\leq T(r_n, 1/f_\omega^{((p-1)m+1)}) + \{T(r_n, f'_\omega/(f_\omega - a)) + \cdots + T(r_n, f_\omega^{((p-1)m+1)}/f_\omega^{((p-1)m)})\} \\ &= T(r_n, 1/f_\omega^{((p-1)m+1)}) + o(T_0(r_n)), \end{aligned}$$

according to Lemma 4. Hence  $\delta(a, \omega) \leq \delta_p(\omega)$ . Since this inequality holds for all  $a \in \mathbb{C}$ , we have (4).

Next we prove (5). Let  $\omega \in \Omega_0$ . In the same manner as in (14), we have

$$(15) \quad T(r_n, f_\omega^{(pm+1)}) = T(r_n, f_\omega) + o(T_0(r_n)) \quad (n \rightarrow \infty).$$

By Lemma 3, 4 and (15), we have

$$(16) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_{\omega' \in \Gamma(\omega, m, p)} T(r_n, 1/f_{\omega'}^{((p-1)m+1)}) \\ \leq T(r_n, f_\omega^{(pm+1)}) + o(T_0(r_n)) = T(r_n, f_\omega) + o(T_0(r_n)) \quad (n \rightarrow \infty). \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T(r_n, f_\omega)/T(r_n, f_{\omega'}) = 1$  ( $\omega' \in \Gamma(\omega, m, p)$ ) and that there exists  $n \geq 1$  such that  $\Delta_{\omega m q} \cap [n, +\infty) = \Delta_{\omega' m q} \cap [n, +\infty)$  for all  $\omega' \in \Gamma(\omega, m, p)$ . Divide every term in (16) by  $T(r_n, f_\omega)$ . Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$  ( $n \in \Delta_{\omega m q}$ ), we have (5). This completes the proof.

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