

# TAUBERIAN THEOREMS FOR MULTIVALENT FUNCTIONS

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## 1. Introduction and background

Let 
$$f(z) = \sum_0^{\infty} a_n z^n \quad (1.1)$$

be regular in  $|z| < 1$ . If  $f(z)$  has bounded characteristic in  $|z| < 1$  then it follows from classical theorems of Fatou that the Abel limit

$$f(e^{i\theta}) = \lim_{r \rightarrow 1} f(re^{i\theta}) \quad (1.2)$$

exists p.p. in  $\theta$ . In particular this condition is satisfied if  $f(z)$  is mean  $p$ -valent in  $|z| < 1$  for some  $p$ .

In this paper we investigate under what conditions the power series (1.1) is summable by a Cesàro mean or is convergent at those points  $e^{i\theta}$  where the Abel limit exists. It is classical that the existence of a Cesàro sum for  $f(e^{i\theta})$  always implies the existence of the Abel limit (1.2) and in fact the existence of an angular limit.

The above problem was recently investigated by G. Halász [3] for univalent functions and certain subclasses of these functions. We define the  $\alpha$ th Cesàro sums by

$$\sigma_N^{(\alpha)}(\theta) = \binom{\alpha + N}{N}^{-1} \sum_{n=0}^N \binom{\alpha + N - n}{N - n} a_n e^{in\theta}, \quad (1.3)$$

where  $\alpha > -1$ . Then Halász proved the following results.

**THEOREM A.** *If  $f$  is univalent in  $|z| < 1$  and (1.2) holds then, if  $\alpha > 2$*

$$\sigma_N^{(\alpha)}(\theta) \rightarrow f(e^{i\theta}); \quad (1.4)$$

also 
$$\sigma_N^{(1)}(\theta) = O(\log N), \quad \text{as } N \rightarrow \infty. \quad (1.5)$$

It is a classical result that (1.4) implies that

$$|a_n| = o(n^\alpha), \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (1.6)$$