A THEOREM OF LUSIN

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Part I

1. Let

(1)
$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$$

be a function holomorphic in the circle |z| < 1. The function f(z) is said to belong to the class H^{λ} , $\lambda > 0$, if the expression

(2)
$$I_{\lambda}(r) = I_{\lambda}(r, f) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} |f(re^{i\theta})|^{\lambda} d\theta$$

is bounded for r < 1. It is well known¹ that, if f(z) belongs to H^{λ} , then for almost every θ the limit

(3)
$$f(e^{i\theta}) = \lim_{z \to e^{i\theta}} f(z)$$

exists, where z tends to $e^{i\theta}$ along any non-tangential path. Hence, if C denotes the upper bound of the expression (2) for $0 \leq r < 1$, we have

(4)
$$\int_0^{2\pi} |f(e^{i\theta})|^{\lambda} d\theta \leq C.$$

In the sequel we shall also use the fact that the expression $I_{\lambda}(r)$ is a non-decreasing function of r, and so in particular

(5)
$$I_{\lambda}(r) \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} |f(e^{i\theta})|^{\lambda} d\theta \qquad (0 \leq r < 1).$$

If $\lambda \ge 1$, the real part and the imaginary part of the power series (1) on the circle |z| = 1 are both Fourier series of functions of the class L^{λ} .

Let Ω denote the interior of a simple closed curve Γ given by the equation

(6)
$$\rho = \psi(\theta) \qquad (-\pi \leq \theta \leq \pi)$$

and possessing, among others, the following two properties:

(i) Γ passes through the point z = 1, but otherwise lies entirely in the circle |z| < 1;

(ii) Γ is not tangent to the circle |z| = 1 at the point z = 1, that is, there

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¹ See F. Riesz, Über die Randwerte einer analytischen Funktion, Math. Zeitschr., vol. 18 (1922), pp. 87-95.