

**40. On the Distribution of Zero Points of the Derivatives of an Integral Transcendental Function of Order  $\rho \leq 1$ .**

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1. Recently I have proved the following theorem which is a modified form of a theorem enunciated by Mr. Takahashi:<sup>1)</sup>

THEOREM I.<sup>2)</sup> Let  $\{g_n(z)\}$  be a sequence of functions satisfying the following conditions:

- (i)  $g_n(z)$  is regular and analytic for  $|z| \leq R$ ;
- (ii)  $g_n(z) = z^n \{1 + h_n(z)\}$ , where  $h_n(z)$  is regular and analytic for  $|z| \leq R$  and vanishes at the origin;
- (iii) there exists a finite constant  $\lambda$  for which

$$\overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} |h_n(z)| \leq \lambda \quad \text{for} \quad |z| \leq R.$$

Then any function  $f(z)$  regular and analytic for  $|z| \leq r$  can be expanded in one and only one way into the series of the form

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n g_n(z),$$

which converges absolutely and uniformly for

$$|z| \leq r_0 < \min\left(r, \frac{R}{1+\lambda}\right).$$

2. Let us consider a set  $\{a_n\}$  of points such that

$$\overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n| = L$$

and put

$$g_n(z) = z^n e^{\bar{a}_n z} = z^n \{1 + h_n(z)\}, \quad (|z| \leq R, \quad n=0, 1, 2, \dots).$$

Since  $g_n(z)$  is regular and analytic for any finite value of  $R$ , and moreover

$$\begin{aligned} |h_n(z)| &\leq e^{|\sigma_n| R} - 1 \quad \text{for} \quad |z| \leq R, \\ \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} |h_n(z)| &= e^{LR} - 1 (= \lambda \text{ say}) \quad \text{for} \quad |z| \leq R, \end{aligned}$$

1) S. Takahashi: A remark on Mr. Widder's theorem, *Tohoku Math. Journal*, **33** (1930), 48.

2) The proof of this theorem will be given in my paper "On the expansion of analytic functions in a series of analytic functions and its applications etc." which will appear in *Proc. Phys.-Math. Soc. of Japan*.