

**ON A CHARACTERIZATION OF THE EXPONENTIAL  
FUNCTION AND THE COSINE FUNCTION  
BY FACTORIZATION, III**

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**1. Introduction.** This paper is a continuation of our previous one [1] with the same title, in which we proved the following fact.

THEOREM A. *Let  $F(z)$  be an entire function, satisfying*

$$(a) \quad F(z) = P_m(f_m(z))$$

*with a polynomial  $P_m$  of degree  $m$  and an entire function  $f_m$  for  $m=2^j$  ( $j$ : natural numbers) and  $m=3$ . Then*

$$F(z) = A \cos \sqrt{H(z)} + B,$$

*unless  $F(z) = Ae^{H(z)} + B$ . Here  $A, B$  are constants and  $H$  is an entire function.*

In this paper we shall firstly consider the case that (a) holds for  $m=2, 4$  and  $3^j$ , where  $j$  runs over all natural numbers. Our theorem is the following.

THEOREM 1. *Let  $F(z)$  be an entire function satisfying (a) for  $m=2, 4$  and  $3^j$  ( $j=1, 2, \dots$ ). Then*

$$F(z) = A \cos \sqrt{H(z)} + B,$$

*unless  $F(z) = Ae^H + B$ . Here  $A, B$  and  $H$  are the same as in Theorem A.*

The method of this paper gives more. Indeed (a) for i)  $m=2, 3, 4$  and  $5^j$ , or ii)  $m=2, 3, 4, 7^j$  or iii)  $m=2, 3, 4$ , and  $11^j$  implies the result, respectively.

**2. Proof of Theorem 1.** The first step, in which the case that

$$F(z) - b = A_2(f_2(z) - w_0)^2$$

has only finitely many zeros was considered in [1], gives the same conclusion, that is,  $F(z) = Ae^{H(z)} + B$ . Hence from now on we may assume that  $F - b$  has infinitely many zeros and hence only infinitely many zeros of even order. The second step. Assuming that

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we have

$$F(z) - b = A_3(f_3(z) - w_1)^3,$$

$$F - b = A_4(f_4 - w_1^*)^4.$$

Assume inductively that  $F - b = A_{3^p}(f_{3^p} - \alpha)^{3^p}$ . Then  $F - b$  has only zeros of order  $4 \cdot 3^p$ . We consider

$$F(z) - b = A_{3^{p+1}} \prod_{j=1}^s (f_{3^{p+1}}(z) - \alpha_j)^{l_j},$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^s l_j = 3^{p+1}.$$

Suppose that  $\alpha_1 \neq \alpha_2$ . If  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  are not any divisor of  $4 \cdot 3^p$ , then  $f_{3^{p+1}}(z) - \alpha_j$  ( $j=1, 2$ ) has only zeros of order  $4 \cdot 3^p$ , which is impossible. If  $l_1$  is a divisor of  $4 \cdot 3^p$  and  $l_2$  is not, then  $f_{3^{p+1}}(z) - \alpha_1$  has only zeros of order  $4 \cdot 3^p / l_1 \geq 2$  and  $f_{3^{p+1}}(z) - \alpha_2$  has only zeros of order  $4 \cdot 3^p$ , which is again impossible. If  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  are divisors of  $4 \cdot 3^p$ ,  $f(z) - \alpha_j$  has only zeros of order  $4 \cdot 3^p / l_j \geq 2$ , which is absurd. Hence  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \dots = \alpha_s$ , that is,

$$F(z) - b = A_{3^{p+1}}(f_{3^{p+1}}(z) - \alpha_1)^{3^{p+1}}.$$

This implies that  $F(z) - b$  has only zeros of order  $4 \cdot 3^{p+1}$ . Thus  $F(z) - b$  has only zeros of arbitrarily high order. This is absurd. Hence we may assume that

$$\begin{aligned} F(z) - b &= A_2(f_2 - w_0)^2 \\ &= A_3(f_3 - w_1)(f_3 - w_2)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Then as in [1]

$$\begin{aligned} F(z) - b &= A_4(f_4 - d_1)^2(f_4 - d_2)^2 \\ &= A_{3^p} \prod_{\nu=1}^s (f_{3^p} - e_\nu)^{\mu_\nu}, \\ \sum_{\nu=1}^s \mu_\nu &= 3^p, \quad e_i \neq e_j (i \neq j). \end{aligned}$$

Hence we can make use of several results in the third and fourth steps in [1]. We summarize them here.

Let us put  $f_3 - w_1 = T^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} T^3 - (w_2 - w_1)T + C_1 &= (T - \alpha_{11})(T - \alpha_{21})^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{A_2}{A_3}\right)^{1/2} (f_2 - x_1) = M_1^2, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T^3 - (w_2 - w_1)T - C_1 &= (T - \alpha_{12})(T - \alpha_{22})^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{A_2}{A_3}\right)^{1/2} (f_2 - x_2) = LM_2^2 \end{aligned}$$

for

$$C_1 = \sqrt{\frac{4}{27}(w_2 - w_1)^3},$$

$$x_1 = w_0 - \left(\frac{A_3}{A_2}\right)^{1/2} C_1, \quad x_2 = w_0 + \left(\frac{A_3}{A_2}\right)^{1/2} C_1.$$

Let us put

$$f = -1 + a_1(f_2 - x_1), \quad f = 1 + a_1(f_2 - x_2)$$

with  $a_1 = 2/(x_2 - x_1)$ . Then  $f = a_1(f_2 - w_0)$  and  $f^2 - a_1^2 L M_1^2 M_2^2 = 1$ . Let  $\Theta(z)$  be

$$\frac{1}{i} a_1 \sqrt{L(z)} M_1(z) M_2(z) f(z) - 2a_1 \frac{1}{i} \int_{\alpha_1}^z \sqrt{L} M_1 M_2 f' dz.$$

Then

$$f + a_1 \sqrt{L} M_1 M_2 = e^{i\theta}$$

and

$$f - a_1 \sqrt{L} M_1 M_2 = e^{-i\theta},$$

Hence

$$f(z) = \cos \Theta.$$

$\Theta(z)$  depends on paths of integration connecting with  $\alpha_1$  to  $z$ .

The fifth step. We now have

$$\begin{aligned} F(z) - b &= A_2(f_2 - w_0)^2 = A_3(f_3 - w_1)(f_3 - w_2)^2 \\ &= A_4(f_4 - d_1)^2(f_4 - d_2)^2 \\ &= A_{3p} \prod_{\nu=1}^s (f_{3p} - e_\nu)^{\mu_\nu}, \\ \sum_{\nu=1}^s \mu_\nu &= 3^p, \quad e_i \neq e_j (i \neq j). \end{aligned}$$

Excepting only one  $\mu_j$ , say  $\mu_1$ , all  $\mu_j$  are even in the above case. We can say more on  $\{\mu_\nu\}$  and  $s$ .

LEMMA 1.

$$F(z) - b = A_{3p} (f_{3p} - e_1)^{\binom{3p+1}{2}} \prod_{\nu=2}^s (f_{3p} - e_\nu)^2.$$

*Proof.* We inductively assume that Lemma 1 is true for  $p$ . Let us put  $f_{3p} - e_1 = S_p^2$ ,  $f_{3p+1} - e_1^* = S_{p+1}^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} &A_3^{1/2} T(T^2 - w_2 + w_1) \\ &= A_{3p}^{1/2} S_p^{\binom{3p+1}{2}} (S_p^2 - e_\nu + e_1) \\ &= A_{3p+1}^{1/2} S_{p+1}^{\mu_1} \prod_{\nu=2}^s (S_{p+1}^2 - e_\nu^* + e_1^*)^{\mu_\nu/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} A_3^{1/2}T(T^2-w_2+w_1)+A_3^{1/2}C_1 &= M_1^2A_3^{1/2}, \\ A_{3^p}^{1/2}S_p \prod_{\nu=2}^{(3^{p+1})/2} (S_{p^2}-e_\nu+e_1)+A_3^{1/2}C_1 \\ &= A_{3^p}^{1/2} \prod_{j=1}^t (S_p-\alpha_j)^{l_j}, \quad \sum_{j=1}^t l_j=3^p. \end{aligned}$$

Here only one  $l_j$ , say  $l_1$ , is odd and the others are even. Hence  $S_p-\alpha_1=X^2$ . Therefore

$$\tilde{N}(r, \alpha_1, S_p) \leq \frac{1}{2}N(r, \alpha_1, S_p) \leq \frac{1}{2}m(r, S_p).$$

Now we have

$$\begin{aligned} &(1+o(1))3^p m(r, S_p) \\ &\leq \tilde{N}(r, 0, S_p) + \sum_{\nu=2}^{(3^{p+1})/2} \{ \tilde{N}(r, \sqrt{e_\nu-e_1}, S_p) + \tilde{N}(r, -\sqrt{e_\nu-e_1}, S_p) \} \\ &\quad + \tilde{N}(r, \alpha_1, S_p) \\ &\leq \tilde{N}(r, 0, S_{p+1}) + \sum_{\nu=2}^s \{ \tilde{N}(r, \sqrt{e_\nu^*-e_1^*}, S_{p+1}) + \tilde{N}(r, -\sqrt{e_\nu^*-e_1^*}, S_{p+1}) \} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2}m(r, S_p) \\ &\leq (2s-1)m(r, S_{p+1}) + \frac{1}{2}m(r, S_p). \end{aligned}$$

Evidently  $3^p m(r, S_p) \sim 3^{p+1} m(r, S_{p+1})$ . Hence

$$3^p \leq \frac{2s-1}{3} + \frac{1}{2},$$

that is,

$$s \geq \frac{3^{p+1}+1}{2} - \frac{3}{4}.$$

Hence

$$s \geq \frac{3^{p+1}+1}{2}.$$

On the other hand

$$\sum_{j=1}^s \mu_j = 3^{p+1}.$$

Hence

$$2(s-1) \leq 3^{p+1} - \mu_1 \leq 3^{p+1} - 1,$$

that is,

$$s \leq \frac{3^{p+1}+1}{2}.$$

Therefore

$$s = \frac{3^{p+1} + 1}{2},$$

$$\mu_1 = 1, \mu_2 = \dots = \mu_s = 2.$$

Thus we have the desired result.

Simultaneously we have

$$A_{3^p}^{1/2} \left\{ S_p \prod_{\nu=2}^{(3^{p+1})/2} (S_p^2 - e_\nu + e_1) + \left( \frac{A_3}{A_{3^p}} \right)^{1/2} C_1 \right\}$$

$$= A_{3^p}^{1/2} (S_p - \alpha_1)^{l_1} \prod_{j=2}^t (S_p - \alpha_j)^{2\lambda_j}.$$

Here  $l_1$  is odd. Hence the above expression reduces to

$$A_{3^p}^{1/2} (S_p - \alpha_1) (S_p^{\frac{3^{p+1}-1}{2}} + p_1 S_p^{\frac{3^{p+1}-2}{2}} + p_2 S_p^{\frac{3^{p+1}-3}{2}} + \dots + p_{(3^p-1)/2} (S_p^2)^{(3^p-1)/2}).$$

Let us put  $p_j = \beta_j p_1^j$  for  $j=1, 2, \dots, (3^p-1)/2$  and  $S_p = 2p_1 x$ . Then by  $\alpha_1 = 2p_1$  we have

$$(x-1) \left( x^{\frac{3^p-1}{2}} + \frac{1}{2} x^{\frac{3^p-3}{2}} + \frac{\beta_2}{4} x^{\frac{3^p-5}{2}} + \dots + \frac{\beta_{(3^p-1)/2}}{2^{(3^p-1)/2}} \right)^2$$

$$= x \prod_{\nu=2}^{(3^{p+1})/2} (x^2 - \delta_\nu) + D,$$

$$\delta_\nu = \frac{e_\nu - e_1}{4p_1},$$

$$D = \frac{A_3^{1/2} C_1}{A_{3^p}^{1/2} 2^{3^p} p_1^{3^p}} = -\frac{\beta_{(3^p-1)/2}}{2^{3^p-1}} \neq 0.$$

Let us put

$$X_n(x) \equiv x \prod_{\nu=2}^{n+1} (x^2 - \delta_\nu^*)$$

$$= (x-1) \left( x^n + \frac{1}{2} x^{n-1} + \dots + \beta_n^* \right)^2 - D^*$$

$$\equiv (x-1) Q(x)^2 - D^*.$$

Evidently

$$-X_n(-x) = X_n(x).$$

Hence

$$X_n(x) = (x+1) Q(-x)^2 + D^*$$

$$\equiv (x+1) P(x)^2 + D^*.$$

LEMMA 2.  $X_n(x)$  is the Chebyshev polynomial  $T_{2n+1}(x)$ .

*Proof.* The following proof is due to Amemiya.  $X_n(x)$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} X_n(x) &= (x+1)P(x)^2 + D^* \\ &= (x-1)Q(x)^2 - D^*, \end{aligned}$$

where  $P(x), Q(x)$  are polynomials of degree  $n$ , whose leading coefficients are equal to 1, and  $D^*$  is a non-zero constant. By differentiation

$$\begin{aligned} &(2(x+1)P'(x) + P(x))P(x) \\ &= (2(x-1)Q'(x) + Q(x))Q(x). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $P(x)$  and  $Q(x)$  have no common zero,

$$(2n+1)P(x) = Q(x) + 2(x-1)Q'(x)$$

and

$$(2n+1)Q(x) = P(x) + 2(x+1)P'(x).$$

Suppose that there is another pair  $(P_1(x), Q_1(x))$  with the desired condition. Then  $P_1, Q_1$  satisfy the above simultaneous differential equation. Hence by its linearity

$$P(x) - P_1(x), \quad Q(x) - Q_1(x)$$

satisfy the same equation. Evidently  $s = \deg(P - P_1) < n$  and  $t = \deg(Q - Q_1) < n$  and  $s = t$ . Assume that the leading coefficients  $a_s$  and  $b_s$  of  $P - P_1$  and  $Q - Q_1$  are not equal to zero. Then we have

$$(2n+1)a_s = (2s+1)b_s,$$

$$(2n+1)b_s = (2s+1)a_s.$$

This is absurd. Hence  $P(x) \equiv P_1(x)$  and  $Q(x) \equiv Q_1(x)$ . The Chebyshev polynomial  $T_{2n+1}(x)$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} T_{2n+1}(x) &= \frac{1}{2^{2n}} \cos((2n+1)\arccos x) \\ &= (x-1) \prod_{j=1}^n \left(x - \cos \frac{2j\pi}{2n+1}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2^{2n}} \\ &= (x+1) \prod_{j=1}^n \left(x + \cos \frac{2j\pi}{2n+1}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{2^{2n}}. \end{aligned}$$

By the unicity of the pair  $(P, Q)$   $X_n(x)$  coincides with  $T_{2n+1}(x)$ . Thus we have the desired result.

The above proof implies that  $D^* = -2^{-2n}$ .

Returning back to the original problem we have

$$D = -\frac{1}{2^{3^p-1}}$$

and hence

$$\frac{A_3^{1/2}C_1}{A_{3^p}^{1/2}p_1^{3^p}} = -2, \quad \beta_{(3^p-1)/2} = 1.$$

The sixth step. Let us put  $T=Bu$ ,  $B^3=4C_1$ . Then

$$f=4u^3-3u.$$

Therefore

$$u = \cos \frac{\Theta + 2\pi j}{3}, \quad j=0, 1, 2.$$

By Lemma 1 and Lemma 2 we have

$$\begin{aligned} & A_2^{1/2}(f_2-w_0) \\ &= A_3^{1/2}T(T^2-w_2+w_1) \\ &= A_{3^p}^{1/2}S_p(S_p^2-e_2+e_1) \cdots (S_p^2-e_p+e_1) \\ &= A_{3^p}^{1/2}2p_1^{3^p}2^{3^p-1}T_{3^p}(x) \\ &= A_{3^p}^{1/2}2p_1^{3^p} \cos(3^p \arccos x). \end{aligned}$$

By  $A_3^{1/2}C_1 = -2A_{3^p}^{1/2}p_1^{3^p}$

$$f=4u^3-3u=2^{3^p-1}T_{3^p}(x).$$

Hence

$$x = \cos \frac{\Theta + 2\pi j}{3^p}, \quad j=0, 1, \dots, 3^p-1.$$

Now let us consider the Riemann surface defined by  $y^2=L$ . Let  $C$  be a cycle on the surface, along which  $\Theta(z)$  has non-zero period  $v\pi$ . Then  $(\Theta(z)+2\pi j)/3^p$  has period  $v\pi/3^p$  along  $C$ . Therefore  $x$  and hence  $S_p=2p_1x$  is not one-valued along  $C$ . This is absurd. Now by the same reason as in [1]

$$F(z) = A \cos \sqrt{H(z)} + B.$$

3. We shall consider a variant of Theorem 1.

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $F(z)$  be an entire function satisfying (a) for  $m=2, 3, 4$  and  $5^j$  ( $j=1, 2, 3, \dots$ ). Then*

$$F(z) = A \cos \sqrt{H(z)} + B,$$

unless  $F(z) = Ae^H + B$ .

*Proof.* We have to consider Lemma 1 correspondingly.

**LEMMA 3.** *If  $F(z)-b$  satisfies*

$$\begin{aligned} F(z)-b &= A_2(f_2-w_0)^2 = A_3(f_3-w_1)(f_3-w_2)^2 \\ &= A_4(f_4-d_1)^2(f_4-d_2)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$= A_{5^p}(f_{5^p} - e_1) \prod_{\nu=2}^{(5^p+1)/2} (f_{5^p} - e_\nu)^2, \quad p=1, 2, \dots, p_0,$$

then

$$F(z) - b = A_{5^{p_0+1}}(f_{5^{p_0+1}} - e_1^*)^{\mu_1} \prod_{\nu=2}^s (f_{5^{p_0+1}} - e_\nu^*)^{\mu_\nu}$$

with either  $s=(5^{p_0+1}+1)/2, \mu_1=1, \mu_2=\dots=\mu_s=2$  or  $s=(5^{p_0+1}-1)/2, \mu_1=3, \mu_2=\dots=\mu_s=2$  or  $s=(5^{p_0+1}-1)/2, \mu_1=1, \mu_2=\dots=\mu_{s-1}=2, \mu_s=4$ .

*Proof of Lemma 3.* We abbreviate  $5^{p_0}$  as  $n_0$ . Let us put  $f_{n_0} - e_1 = S^2$  and  $f_{5n_0} - e_1^* = V^2$ . Then as in the proof of Lemma 1 there is a constant  $\alpha_1$  for which

$$\bar{N}(r, \alpha_1, S) \leq \frac{1}{2} N(r, \alpha_1, S) \leq \frac{1}{2} m(r, S),$$

$$\alpha_1 \neq 0, \pm \sqrt{e_\nu - e_1} \quad (\nu=2, 3, \dots, (n_0+1)/2).$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} & (1+o(1))n_0 m(r, S) \\ & \leq \bar{N}(r, 0, S) + \sum_{\nu=2}^{(n_0+1)/2} \{\bar{N}(r, \sqrt{e_\nu - e_1}, S) + \bar{N}(r, \sqrt{e_\nu - e_1}, S)\} \\ & \quad + \bar{N}(r, \alpha_1, S) \\ & \leq \bar{N}(r, 0, V) + \sum_{\nu=2}^s \{\bar{N}(r, \sqrt{e_\nu^* - e_1^*}, V) + \bar{N}(r, -\sqrt{e_\nu^* - e_1^*}, V)\} \\ & \quad + \frac{1}{2} m(r, S) \\ & \leq (2s-1)m(r, V) + \frac{1}{2} m(r, S). \end{aligned}$$

By  $n_0 m(r, S) \sim 5n_0 m(r, V)$

$$s \geq \frac{5n_0 - 1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}.$$

Thus

$$s \geq \frac{5n_0 - 1}{2}.$$

On the other hand we easily have

$$s \leq \frac{5n_0 + 1}{2} \equiv s_1.$$

If  $s=s_1$ , then  $\mu_1=1, \mu_2=\dots=\mu_s=2$ . If  $s=s_1-1$ , then either  $\mu_1=3, \mu_2=\dots=\mu_s=2$  or  $\mu_1=1, \mu_2=\dots=\mu_{s-1}=2, \mu_s=4$ . This is just the desired result.

Next we shall prove Lemma 1. Assume inductively that Lemma 1 holds for  $p-1$ . We abbreviate  $5^p$  as  $n$ . By Lemma 3 we have



$$\begin{aligned}
 &A_n^{1/2} \left\{ V^{\mu_1} \prod_{\nu=2}^s (V^2 - e_\nu^* + e_1^*)^{\mu_\nu/2} + \left( \frac{A_3}{A_n} \right)^{1/2} C_1 \right\} \\
 &= A_n^{1/2} (V - \alpha_1^*)^{l_1} \prod_{j=2}^t (V - \alpha_j^*)^{2\lambda_j}
 \end{aligned}$$

with  $f_n - e_1^* = V^2$  and with odd  $l_1$  and  $\alpha_j^* \neq 0$ , since

$$T(T^2 - w_2 + w_1) + C_1 = M^2.$$

Now we put  $V = \alpha_1^* x$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 X(x) &\equiv x^{\mu_1} \prod_{\nu=2}^s (x^2 - \delta_\nu)^{\mu_\nu/2} \\
 &= (x-1)^{l_1} \prod_{j=2}^t (x - \varepsilon_j)^{2\lambda_j} - D \\
 &\equiv (x-1)Q(x)^2 - D.
 \end{aligned}$$

Here

$$D = \frac{A_3^{1/2} C_1}{A_n^{1/2} \alpha_1^{*n}} \neq 0.$$

Since  $-X(-x) = X(x)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 X(x) &= (x-1)Q(x)^2 - D \\
 &= (x+1)P(x)^2 + D.
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus by Lemma 2  $X(x)$  reduces to the Chebyshev polynomial  $T_n(x)$ . Hence  $X(x)$  must have the following form:

$$x \prod_{\nu=2}^{(n+1)/2} (x^2 - \delta_\nu)$$

$$\delta_\nu \neq 0, \quad \delta_\nu \neq \delta_\mu (\nu \neq \mu)$$

and

$$D = -\frac{1}{2^{n-1}}.$$

Now returning back to  $V$  and then to  $f_n$  we have

$$F(z) - b = A_n (f_n - e_1^*) \prod_{\nu=2}^{(n+1)/2} (f_n - e_\nu^*)^2,$$

$$e_\nu^* \neq e_\mu^* \quad \text{for } \nu \neq \mu.$$

In order to complete the proof of Lemma 1 we should consider the case  $f_5$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 F - b &= A_2 (f_2 - w_0)^2 = A_3 (f_3 - w_1)(f_3 - w_2)^2 \\
 &= A_5 (f_5 - e_1)^{\mu_1} (f_5 - e_2)^{\mu_2} (f_5 - e_3)^{\mu_3},
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^3 \mu_j = 5, \quad \mu_1 : \text{odd}, \quad \mu_2, \mu_3 : \text{even}.$$

If  $\mu_1=1, \mu_2=\mu_3=2$ , there is nothing to prove. Hence there remain two cases:

$$\mu_1=3, \mu_2=2, \mu_3=0$$

or

$$\mu_1=1, \mu_2=4, \mu_3=0.$$

Let us put  $f_3-w_1=T^2$  and  $f_5-e_1=S^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} A_3^{1/2}T(T^2-w_2+w_1) \\ = A_3^{1/2}S^{\mu_1}(S^2-e_2+e_1)^{\mu_2/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Since there is a constant  $\alpha_{11}(\neq 0, \pm\sqrt{w_2-w_1})$  such that

$$\bar{N}(r, \alpha_{11}, T) \leq \frac{1}{2}N(r, \alpha_{11}, T) \leq \frac{1}{2}m(r, T).$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} (1+o(1))3m(r, T) &\leq \bar{N}(r, 0, T) + \bar{N}(r, \sqrt{w_2-w_1}, T) \\ &\quad + \bar{N}(r, -\sqrt{w_2-w_1}, T) + \bar{N}(r, \alpha_{11}, T) \\ &\leq \bar{N}(r, 0, S) + \bar{N}(r, \sqrt{e_2-e_1}, S) + \bar{N}(r, -\sqrt{e_2-e_1}, S) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2}m(r, T) \\ &\leq 3m(r, S) + \frac{1}{2}m(r, T) \end{aligned}$$

Evidently  $3m(r, T) \sim 5m(r, S)$ . Hence

$$3 - \frac{1}{2} \leq \frac{9}{5},$$

which is absurd. Thus by induction Lemma 1 holds.

Now we can proceed similarly as in Theorem 1.

The following cases give the same result as in Theorem 2.

- i)  $m=2, 3, 4, 7^j(j=1, 2, \dots)$ ,
- ii)  $m=2, 3, 4, 11^j(j=1, 2, \dots)$ ,
- iii)  $m=2^s(s=1, \dots, p \geq 2), 3, q^j(j=1, 2, \dots)$   
 $q < 3 \cdot 2^p, (q, 6)=1,$
- iv)  $m=2^s(s=1, \dots, p \geq 2), 3, 5, q^j(j=1, 2, \dots)$   
 $q < 15 \cdot 2^p, (q, 30)=1,$
- v)  $m=2^s(s=1, \dots, p \geq 2), 3, 7, q^j(j=1, 2, \dots)$   
 $q < 21 \cdot 2^p, (q, 42)=1,$
- vi)  $m=2^s(s=1, \dots, p \geq 2), 3, 11, q^j(j=1, 2, \dots)$   
 $q < 33 \cdot 2^p, (q, 66)=1.$

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