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## ESTIMATES OF THE MAXIMAL TERM OF ENTIRE DIRICHLET SERIES IN TERMS OF TWO-MEMBER ASYMPTOTICS

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Conditions on coefficients and exponents of an entire Dirichlet series are found in order that the logarithm of the maximal term  $\mu(\sigma, F)$  admits an upper estimate of the form  $\ln \mu(\sigma, F) \le \Phi_1(\sigma) + (1 + o(1))\tau\Phi_2(\sigma)$  as  $\sigma \to +\infty$ , and the same lower estimate, where  $\tau$  is a real number,  $\Phi_1$ ,  $\Phi_2$  are positive functions satisfying some conditions.

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Найдены условия на коэффициенты и показатели целого ряда Дирихле для того, чтобы логарифм максимального члена  $\mu(\sigma,F)$  допускал оценку  $\ln \mu(\sigma,F) \leq \Phi_1(\sigma) + (1+$  $+o(1))\tau\Phi_2(\sigma)$  ( $\sigma \to +\infty$ ), и такую же оценку снизу, где  $\tau$  — действительное число, а  $\Phi_1$ ,  $\Phi_2$  — положительные функции, удовлетворяющие некоторым условиям.

1°. Introduction. Let  $0 \le \lambda_n \uparrow +\infty \ (0 \le n \to \infty)$  and the Dirichlet series

$$F(s) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \exp(s\lambda_n), \quad s = \sigma + it,$$
(1)

has the abscissa of absolute convergence  $\sigma_a = +\infty$ . For  $\sigma \in (-\infty, +\infty)$  let  $\mu(\sigma, F) = \max\{|a_n| \exp(\sigma \lambda_n) : n \ge 1\}$  be the maximal term of series (1).

We will study the conditions on  $a_n$  and  $\lambda_n$  under which  $\ln \mu(\sigma, F) \geq \Phi_1(\sigma) + (1 + o(1))\tau_1\Phi_2(\sigma)$   $(\sigma \to +\infty)$ , and  $\ln \mu(\sigma, F) \leq \Phi_1(\sigma) + (1 + o(1))\tau_2\Phi_2(\sigma)$   $(\sigma \to +\infty)$ , where  $\tau_1, \tau_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\Phi_1, \Phi_2$  are positive functions satisfying some conditions.

Put

$$P(t) = \begin{cases} \ln |a_n|, & t = \lambda_n (n \in \mathbb{Z}_+), \\ -\infty, & t \in (0, +\infty) \setminus \{\lambda_n\}, \end{cases} \qquad Q(\sigma) = \sup\{P(t) + \sigma t : t > 0\}.$$
 (2)

Then  $\ln \mu(s, F) = Q(\sigma)$  and the problem is reduced to the study of validity of the relation  $Q(\sigma) \geq \Phi_1(\sigma) + (1 + o(1))\tau_1\Phi_2(\sigma)$   $(\sigma \to +\infty)$ , and  $Q(\sigma) \leq \Phi_1(\sigma) + (1 + o(1))\tau_2\Phi_2(\sigma)$   $(\sigma \to +\infty)$ .

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Further we assume that P is an arbitrary function different from  $+\infty$  (it can achieve the value  $-\infty$  but  $P \not\equiv -\infty$ ). The functions P and Q are said to be Young conjugated functions.

Let  $\Omega$  be the class of positive unbounded on  $(-\infty, +\infty)$  functions  $\Phi$  such that the derivative  $\Phi'$  is positive continuously differentiable and increasing to  $+\infty$  on  $(-\infty, +\infty)$ . Clearly, the function  $\Phi \in \Omega$  is convex on  $(-\infty, +\infty)$ ,  $\Phi(x) \to c \geq 0$   $(x \to -\infty)$ ,  $\Phi'(x) \to 0$   $(x \to -\infty)$ . From now on, we denote by  $\varphi$  the inverse function to  $\Phi'$ , and let  $\Psi(x) = x - \Phi(x)/\Phi'(x)$  be the function associated with  $\Phi$  in the sense of Newton. It is clear that the function  $\varphi$  is continuously differentiable and increasing to  $+\infty$  on  $(0, +\infty)$ . The function  $\Psi$  is continuously differentiable and increasing to  $+\infty$  on  $(-\infty, \infty)$ .

By  $L^0$  we denote the class of positive continuous on  $[x_0, +\infty)$  functions l such that l((1+o(1))x) = (1+o(1))l(x) as  $x \to +\infty$ .

Finally, we will say that a positive twice continuously differentiable increasing to  $+\infty$  on  $(-\infty, +\infty)$  function  $\Phi_2$  is subordinated to  $\Phi_1 \in \Omega$ , if  $\Phi_2'(\varphi_1) \in L^0$ ,  $\Phi_2'(\sigma) = o(\sigma \Phi_1''(\sigma))$  and  $\Phi_2''(\sigma) = o(\Phi_1''(\sigma))$  as  $\sigma \to +\infty$ .

## $2^{\circ}$ . Upper estimates. We need the following

**Lemma 1** [1]. Let  $\Phi \in \Omega$ . In order that  $Q(\sigma) \leq \Phi(\sigma)$  for all  $\sigma \geq \sigma_0$ , it is necessary and sufficient that  $P(t) \leq -t\Psi(\varphi(t))$  for all  $t \geq t_0$ .

We prove here the following

**Theorem 1.** Let  $\Phi_1 \in \Omega$ ,  $\varphi'_1 \in L^0$ , and a function  $\Phi_2$  be subordinated to  $\Phi_1$ . In order that

$$Q(\sigma) \le \Phi_1(\sigma) + (1 + o(1))\tau\Phi_2(\sigma), \quad \sigma \to +\infty, \tag{3}$$

it is necessary and sufficient that

$$P(t) \le -t\Psi_1(\varphi_1(t)) + (1 + o(1))\tau\Phi_2(\varphi_1(t)), \quad t \to \infty.$$
 (4)

Proof. Consider the function  $\Phi(\sigma) = \Phi_1(\sigma) + \tau \Phi_2(\sigma)$ . Since  $\Phi_1 \in \Omega$  and  $\Phi_2''(\sigma) = o(\Phi_1''(\sigma))$  as  $\sigma \to A$ , we have  $\Phi''(\sigma) = (1 + o(1))\Phi_1''(\sigma)$ ,  $\Phi_2'(\sigma) = o(\Phi_1'(\sigma))$  and  $\Phi_2(\sigma) = o(\Phi_1(\sigma))$  as  $\sigma \to A$ , whence in particular it follows that  $\Phi'$  is positive and increasing to  $+\infty$  on  $[\sigma_0, A)$ . For simplicity we assume that  $\sigma_0 = -\infty$ , i. e.  $\Phi \in \Omega(A)$ .

Clearly, the inverse function  $\varphi$  to  $\Phi'$  satisfies the equation

$$\Phi_1'(\sigma) + \tau \Phi_2'(\sigma) = x. \tag{5}$$

Since  $\Phi_2'(\sigma) = o(\Phi_1'(\sigma)) (\sigma \to +\infty)$ , we look for a solution of (5) in the form

$$\sigma = \varphi_1(x - y), \quad y = y(x) = o(x), \quad x \to +\infty.$$
 (6)

Substituting (6) in (5) and taking into account the condition  $\Phi'_2(\varphi_1) \in L^0$ , we obtain

$$y = \tau \Phi_2'(\varphi_1((1 + o(1))x)) = (1 + o(1))\tau \Phi_2'(\varphi_1(x)), \quad x \to +\infty.$$

Therefore, from (6) in view of the condition  $\varphi'_1 \in L^0$  we have

$$\varphi(x) = \varphi_1(x - (1 + o(1))\tau \Phi_2'(\varphi_1(x))) =$$

$$= \varphi_1(x) - \{\varphi_1(x) - \varphi_1(x - (1 + o(1))\tau \Phi_2'(\varphi_1(x)))\} =$$

$$= \varphi_1(x) - \varphi_1'(x + O(\Phi_2'(\varphi_1(x))))(1 + o(1))\tau \Phi_2'(\varphi_1(x))),$$

whence in virtue of the relation  $\Phi'_2(\sigma) = o(\Phi'_1(\sigma)) \ (\sigma \to +\infty)$  and the condition  $\varphi'_1 \in L^0$ , it follows that

$$\varphi(x) = \varphi_1(x) - (1 + o(1))\tau \Phi_2'(\varphi_1(x))\varphi_1'(x), \quad x \to +\infty.$$
(7)

(We remark that the equality  $\Phi_1''(\varphi_1(x))\varphi_1'(x) \equiv 1$  and the condition  $\Phi_2'(\sigma) = o(\sigma\Phi_1''(\sigma))$   $(\sigma \to +\infty)$ , imply  $\Phi_2'(\varphi_1(x)))\varphi_1'(x) = o(\varphi_1(x))$   $(x \to +\infty)$ .)

But

$$x\Psi(\varphi(x)) - x_0\Psi(\varphi(x_0)) = \int_{x_0}^x (x\varphi(x) - \Phi(\varphi(x)))'dx = \int_{x_0}^x \varphi(x)dx.$$
 (8)

Therefore, from (7) we have

$$t_n \Psi(\varphi(t_n)) = \int_{x_0}^{t_n} \varphi_1(x) dx - \int_{x_0}^{t_n} (1 + o(1)) \tau \Phi_2'(\varphi_1(x)) \varphi_1'(x) dx + O(1) =$$

$$= t_n \Psi_1(\varphi_1(t_n)) - (1 + o(1)) \tau \Phi_2(\varphi_1(t_n)) + O(1) =$$

$$= t_n \Psi_1(\varphi_1(t_n)) - (1 + o(1)) \tau \Phi_2(\varphi_1(t_n)), \quad n \to \infty,$$

Finally, Lemma 1 completes the proof.

Choosing P(t) as in (2), we obtain from Theorem 1 the following

Corollary 1. Let  $\Phi_1 \in \Omega$ ,  $\varphi'_1 \in L^0$ , and the function  $\Phi_2$  is subordinate to  $\Phi_1$ . In order that

$$\ln \mu(\sigma, F) \le \Phi_1(\sigma) + (1 + o(1))\tau \Phi_2(\sigma), \quad \sigma \to +\infty,$$

it is necessary and sufficient that

$$\ln |a_n| \le -\lambda_n \Psi_1(\varphi_1(\lambda_n)) + (1 + o(1))\tau \Phi_2(\varphi_1(\lambda_n)), \quad n \to \infty.$$

**3°.** Lower estimates. For  $\Phi \in \Omega$ ,  $0 < a < b < +\infty$  and q > 0 we put

$$G_1(a,b,\Phi) = \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{\Phi(\varphi(t))}{t^2} dt, \quad G_2(a,b,\Phi) = \Phi\left(\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \varphi(t) dt\right),$$

where  $\varphi$  is the inverse function to  $\Phi'$ .

**Lemma 2** [2]. The inequality  $G_1(a, b, \Phi) < G_2(a, b, \Phi)$  holds.

**Lemma 3** [1]. Let  $A \in (-\infty, +\infty)$ ,  $\Phi \in \Omega$  and

$$P(t_n) \ge -t_n \Psi(\varphi(t_n)) \tag{9}$$

for a some increasing to  $+\infty$  sequence  $(t_n)$  of positive numbers.

Then for all  $n \geq n_0$  and  $\sigma \in [\varphi(t_n), \varphi(t_{n+1})]$ 

$$Q(\sigma) \ge \Phi(\sigma) + G_1(t_n, t_{n+1}, \Phi) - G_2(t_n, t_{n+1}, \Phi). \tag{10}$$

**Theorem 2.** Let  $\Phi_1 \in \Omega$ ,  $\varphi'_1 \in L^0$ , a function  $\Phi_2$  be subordinated to  $\Phi_1$ , and

$$\Phi'_{j}\left(\sigma + O\left(\frac{\Phi'_{2}(\sigma)}{\Phi''_{1}(\sigma)}\right)\right) \sim \Phi'_{j}(\sigma) \quad (\sigma \to +\infty), \quad j = 1, 2.$$
(11)

If

$$P(t_n) \ge -t_n \Psi_1(\varphi_1(t_n)) + (1 + o(1))\tau \Phi_2(\varphi_1(t_n)), \quad n \to \infty,$$
 (12)

for a some increasing to  $+\infty$  sequence  $(t_n)$  such that  $t_{n+1} \sim t_n (n \to \infty)$  and

$$\frac{G_2(t_n, t_{n+1}, \Phi_1) - G_1(t_n, t_{n+1}, \Phi_1)}{\Phi_2(\varphi_1(t_n))} \to 0, \quad n \to \infty,$$
(13)

then

$$Q(\sigma) \ge \Phi_1(\sigma) + (1 + o(1))\tau \Phi_2(\sigma), \quad \sigma \to +\infty, \tag{14}$$

*Proof.* As above, let  $\Phi(\sigma) = \Phi_1(\sigma) + \tau \Phi_2(\sigma)$ . Put

$$\varkappa_n = \frac{1}{t_{n+1} - t_n} \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \varphi(t) dt.$$

In view of (7),

$$\varkappa_n = \frac{1}{t_{n+1} - t_n} \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \varphi_1(t) dt - \frac{(1 + o(1))\tau}{t_{n+1} - t_n} \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \Phi_2'(\varphi_1(t)) \varphi_1'(t) dt = \\
= \varkappa_n^{(1)} - (1 + o(1))\tau \xi_n, \quad \xi_n = \frac{\Phi_2(\varphi_1(t_{n+1})) - \Phi_2(\varphi_1(t_n))}{t_{n+1} - t_n}.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{split} G_2(t_n,t_{n+1},\Phi) &= \Phi(\varkappa_n) = \Phi_1(\varkappa_n^{(1)} - (1+o(1))\tau\xi_n) + \tau\Phi_2(\varkappa_n^{(1)} - (1+o(1))\tau\xi_n) = \\ &= \Phi_1(\varkappa_n^{(1)}) - (1+o(1))\tau\xi_n\Phi_1'(\varkappa_n^{(1)} - (1+o(1))\eta\tau\xi_n) + \tau\Phi_2(\varkappa_n^{(1)} - (1+o(1))\tau\xi_n) = \\ &= G_2(t_n,t_{n+1},\Phi_1) - (1+o(1))\tau\xi_n\Phi_1'(\varkappa_n^{(1)} - (1+o(1))\eta\tau\xi_n) + \\ &+ \tau\Phi_2(\varkappa_n^{(1)} - (1+o(1))\tau\xi_n), \quad n \to \infty, \quad 0 < \eta < 1. \end{split}$$

Further, in view of (8) and (7),

$$\begin{split} G_1(t_n,t_{n+1},\Phi) &= \frac{t_{n+1}t_n}{t_{n+1}-t_n} \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \Phi(\varphi(t)) d\left(-\frac{1}{t}\right) = \\ &= \frac{t_{n+1}t_n}{t_{n+1}-t_n} \left(\frac{\Phi(\varphi(t_n))}{t_n} - \frac{\Phi(\varphi(t_{n+1}))}{t_{n+1}} + \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \varphi'(t) dt\right) = \\ &= \frac{t_{n+1}t_n}{t_{n+1}-t_n} (\Psi(\varphi(t_{n+1})) - \Psi(\varphi(t_n))) = \\ &= t_n \left(\frac{t_{n+1}\Psi(\varphi(t_{n+1})) - t_n\Psi(\varphi(t_n))}{t_{n+1}-t_n} - \Psi(\varphi(t_n))\right) = t_n\varkappa_n - t_n\Psi(\varphi(t_n)) = \\ &= t_n\varkappa_n^{(1)} - (1+o(1))t_n\tau\xi_n - t_n\Psi_1(\varphi_1(t_n)) + (1+o(1))\tau\Phi_2(\varphi_1(t_n)) = \\ &= G_1(t_n,t_{n+1},\Phi_1) - (1+o(1))t_n\tau\xi_n + (1+o(1))\tau\Phi_2(\varphi_1(t_n)), \quad n \to \infty. \end{split}$$

Therefore,

$$G_{2}(t_{n}, t_{n+1}, \Phi) - G_{1}(t_{n}, t_{n+1}, \Phi) = G_{2}(t_{n}, t_{n+1}, \Phi_{1}) - G_{1}(t_{n}, t_{n+1}, \Phi_{1}) + + (1 + o(1))t_{n}\tau\xi_{n} - (1 + o(1))\tau\xi_{n}\Phi'_{1}(\varkappa_{n}^{(1)} - (1 + o(1))\eta\tau\xi_{n}) + + \tau\Phi_{2}(\varkappa_{n}^{(1)} - (1 + o(1))\tau\xi_{n}) - (1 + o(1))\tau\Phi_{2}(\varphi_{1}(t_{n})), \quad n \to \infty.$$
(15)

It is easy to show that when the function l is continuously differentiable then  $l \in L^0$  if and only if xl'(x)/l(x) = O(1)  $(x \to +\infty)$ . Hence it follows that  $\lambda \in L^0$  if  $l \in L^0$  and  $\lambda(x) = \int_{x_0}^x l(t)dt$ .

Therefore, since  $\Phi_2'(\varphi_1) \in L^0$  and  $\varphi_1' \in L^0$ , we have  $\Phi_2(\varphi_1) \in L^0$  and

$$\frac{x\Phi_2'(\varphi_1(x))\varphi_1'(x)}{\Phi_2(\varphi_1(x))} = O(1), \quad x \to +\infty.$$
(16)

From the condition  $\varphi_1' \in L^0$  it follows also that  $\varphi_1 \in L^0$  and  $\Phi_1''(\varphi_1) \in L^0$ .

Since  $\xi_n = \Phi_2'(\varphi_1(\eta_n))\varphi_1'(\eta_n)$   $(t_n < \eta_n < t_{n+1})$ ,  $\Phi_2'(\varphi_1)\varphi_1' \in L^0$  and  $t_{n+1} \sim t_n$   $(n \to \infty)$ , we have

$$\xi_n = (1 + o(1))\Phi_2'(\varphi_1(t_n))\varphi_1'(t_n), \quad n \to \infty,$$

and in view of (16)

$$\frac{t_n \xi_n}{\Phi_2(\varphi_1(t_n))} = O(1), \quad n \to \infty.$$
(17)

From the condition  $t_{n+1} \sim t_n (n \to \infty)$  it follows that  $\varkappa_n^{(1)} = \varphi_1((1 + o(1))t_n) (n \to \infty)$ , and thus

$$\frac{\Phi_2'(\varkappa_n^{(1)})}{\Phi_1''(\varkappa_n^{(1)})} = \frac{\Phi_2'(\varphi_1((1+o(1))t_n))}{\Phi_1''(\varphi_1((1+o(1))t_n))} = (1+o(1))\frac{\Phi_2'(\varphi_1(t_n))}{\Phi_1''(\varphi_1(t_n))} = (1+o(1))\Phi_2'(\varphi_1(t_n))\varphi_1'(t_n) = (1+o(1))\xi_n, \quad n \to \infty.$$

Also  $\Phi_2(\varkappa_n^{(1)}) = (1 + o(1))\Phi_2(\varphi_1(t_n)), n \to \infty$ . Therefore, in view of (11) and (17),

$$\xi_{n} \frac{t_{n} - \Phi'_{1}(\varkappa_{n}^{(1)} - (1 + o(1))\eta\tau\xi_{n})}{\Phi_{2}(\varphi_{1}(t_{n}))} = \xi_{n} \frac{\Phi'_{1}(\varphi_{1}(t_{n})) - \Phi'_{1}(\varkappa_{n}^{(1)} - (1 + o(1))\eta\tau\xi_{n})}{\Phi_{2}(\varphi_{1}(t_{n}))} = \\
= \xi_{n} \frac{\Phi'_{1}(\varkappa_{n}^{(1)}) - \Phi'_{1}(\varkappa_{n}^{(1)} - (1 + o(1))\eta\tau\xi_{n})}{\Phi_{2}(\varphi_{1}(t_{n}))} + o\left(\xi_{n} \frac{\Phi'_{1}(\varphi_{1}(t_{n}))}{\Phi_{2}(\varphi_{1}(t_{n}))}\right) = \\
= \frac{\xi_{n}}{\Phi_{2}(\varkappa_{n}^{(1)})} \left(\Phi'_{1}(\varkappa_{n}^{(1)}) - \Phi'_{1}\left(\varkappa_{n}^{(1)} - (1 + o(1))\eta\tau\frac{\Phi'_{2}(\varkappa_{n}^{(1)})}{\Phi''_{1}(\varkappa_{n}^{(1)})}\right)\right) + o\left(\frac{t_{n}\xi_{n}}{\Phi_{2}(\varphi_{1}(t_{n}))}\right) = \\
= o\left(\frac{\xi_{n}\Phi'_{1}(\varkappa_{n}^{(1)})}{\Phi_{2}(\varkappa_{n}^{(1)})}\right) + o\left(\frac{t_{n}\xi_{n}}{\Phi_{2}(\varphi_{1}(t_{n}))}\right) = o(1), \quad n \to \infty. \tag{18}$$

From (17) and (18) we obtain

$$\frac{(1+o(1))t_n\tau\xi_n - (1+o(1))\tau\xi_n\Phi_1'(\varkappa_n^{(1)} - (1+o(1))\eta\tau\xi_n)}{\Phi_2(\varphi_1(t_n))} = o(1), \quad n \to \infty.$$
 (19)

From (11) we obtain also

$$\frac{\Phi_2(\varkappa_n^{(1)} - (1 + o(1))\tau\xi_n))}{\Phi_2(\varphi_1(t_n))} = \frac{(1 + o(1))}{\Phi_2(\varkappa_n^{(1)})}\Phi_2\left(\varkappa_n^{(1)} - (1 + o(1))\tau\frac{\Phi_2'(\varkappa_n^{(1)})}{\Phi_1''(\varkappa_n^{(1)})}\right) \to 1, \quad n \to \infty,$$

and thus

$$\frac{\tau\Phi_2(\varkappa_n^{(1)} - (1 + o(1))\tau\xi_n) - (1 + o(1))\tau\Phi_2(\varphi_1(t_n))}{\Phi_2(\varphi_1(t_n))} = o(1), \quad n \to \infty.$$
 (20)

Finally, from (15), (19), (20) and (13) we have

$$G_2(t_n, t_{n+1}, \Phi) - G_1(t_n, t_{n+1}, 1, \Phi) =$$

$$= G_2(t_n, t_{n+1}, \Phi_1) - G_1(t_n, t_{n+1}, 1, \Phi_1) + o(\Phi_2(\varphi_1(t_n))) =$$

$$= o(\Phi_2(\varphi_1(t_n))) = o(\Phi_2(\varphi(t_n))), \quad n \to \infty,$$

because, in view of (7) and (11),

$$\frac{\Phi_2(\varphi(t))}{\Phi_2(\varphi_1(t))} = \frac{1}{\Phi_2(\varphi_1(t))} \Phi_2\left(\varphi_1(t) - (1 + o(1)) \frac{\Phi_2'(\varphi_1(t))}{\Phi_1''(\varphi_1(t))}\right) \to 1, \quad t \to +\infty.$$

Therefore, by Lemma 2 for all  $\sigma \in [\varphi(t_n), \varphi(t_{n+1})]$  we have

$$Q(\sigma) \ge \Phi(\sigma) + o(\Phi_2(\varphi(t_n))) = \Phi(\sigma) + o(\Phi_2(\sigma)) = \Phi_1(\sigma) + (1 + o(1))\tau\Phi_2(\sigma), \quad \sigma \to A,$$
 and Theorem 2 is proved.

Corollary 2. Let functions  $\Phi_1$  and  $\Phi_2$  satisfy the conditions of Theorem 2. If

$$\ln |a_{n_k}| \ge -\lambda_{n_k} \Psi_1(\varphi_1(\lambda_{n_k})) + (1 + o(1))\tau \Phi_2(\varphi_1(\lambda_{n_k})), \quad k \to \infty,$$

for a some increasing subsequence  $(\lambda_{n_k})$  such that  $\lambda_{n_{k+1}} \sim \lambda_{n_k} (k \to \infty)$  and

$$\frac{G_2(\lambda_{n_k}, \lambda_{n_{k+1}}, \Phi_1) - G_1(\lambda_{n_k}, \lambda_{n_{k+1}}, \Phi_1)}{\Phi_2(\varphi_1(\lambda_{n_k}))} \to 0, \quad k \to \infty,$$

then

$$\ln \mu(\sigma, F) \ge \Phi_1(\sigma) + (1 + o(1))\tau \Phi_2(\sigma), \quad \sigma \to A.$$

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