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WIMAN TYPE INEQUALITIES FOR ENTIRE DIRICHLET SERIES WITH ARBITRARY EXPONENTS

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We prove analogues of the classical Wiman inequality for entire Dirichlet series $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} a_n e^{z\lambda_n}$ with arbitrary positive exponents (λ_n) such that $\sup\{\lambda_n : n \geq 0\} = +\infty$.

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Для целых рядов Дирихле $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} a_n e^{z\lambda_n}$ с положительными показателями (λ_n) удовлетворяющими условию $\sup\{\lambda_n : n \geq 0\} = +\infty$ получены аналоги классического неравенства Вимана.

It is well known ([1, 2, 3]) that for every nonconstant entire function $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} a_n z^n$ and every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists an exceptional set $E = E(f, \varepsilon)$ of finite logarithmic measure, i.e. $\int_E \frac{dr}{r} < +\infty$, such that the inequality (*Wiman's inequality*)

$$M_f(r) \leq \mu_f(r)(\ln \mu_f(r))^{1/2+\varepsilon}$$

holds for all $r \in [1, +\infty) \setminus E$, where $M_f(r) = \max\{|f(z)| : |z| = r\}$, $\mu_f(r) = \max\{|a_n|r^n : n \geq 0\}$. Some analogues of Wiman's inequality for entire Dirichlet series of the form

$$F(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} F_n e^{z\lambda_n}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}, \quad (1)$$

where $0 = \lambda_0 < \lambda_n \uparrow +\infty$ ($1 \leq n \uparrow +\infty$), were obtained in [4, 5]. In particular, in the paper by M. M. Sheremeta ([4]) we find the following *statement*: if

$$(\exists \Delta > 0)(\exists \rho \in [1/2; 1])(\exists D > 0): |n(t) - \Delta t^\rho| \leq D \quad (t \geq t_0), \quad (2)$$

where $n(t) = \sum_{\lambda_n \leq t} 1$ is the counting function of the sequence (λ_n) then for every entire Dirichlet series of form (1) there exists a set $E \subset [0; +\infty)$ of finite Lebesgue measure on \mathbb{R} such that for all $x \in [0; +\infty) \setminus E$ one has

$$M(x, F) \leq \mu(x, F) (\ln \mu(x, F))^{(2\rho-1)/2+\varepsilon}, \quad (3)$$

where

$$M(x, F) = \sup\{|F(x + iy)| : y \in \mathbb{R}\}, \quad \mu(x, F) = \max\{|F_n|e^{x\lambda_n} : n \geq 0\}.$$

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If $\lambda_n \equiv n$ ($n \geq 0$), then $\Delta = D = \rho = 1$ in (2) and (3) implies Wiman's inequality. In particular, Theorem 2 ([5]) yields that for every increasing to $+\infty$ sequence (λ_n) satisfying (2) there exists an entire Dirichlet series of form (1) for which

$$\frac{M(x, F)}{\mu(x, F)} (\ln \mu(x, F))^{-(2\rho-1)/2} \rightarrow +\infty$$

as $x \rightarrow +\infty$, i.e. $\varepsilon > 0$ in (3) cannot be replaced with $\varepsilon = 0$.

Let \mathcal{D} be the class of all absolutely convergent Dirichlet series in \mathbb{C} of form (1) with a sequence of the exponents (λ_n) such that $\lambda_n \geq 0$ ($n \geq 0$) and

$$\sup\{\lambda_n : n \geq 0\} = +\infty,$$

i.e. the sequence of exponents of a function $F \in \mathcal{D}$ need not be monotone and has arbitrarily many cluster points (in particular, can be everywhere dense). It worth be noted that some asymptotic properties of functions $F \in \mathcal{D}$ were investigated in the papers [6]–[10]. In this paper we consider analogues of Wiman's inequality for the class \mathcal{D} .

For a function $F \in \mathcal{D}$ of form (1) denote by (μ_n) the sequence $(-\ln |F_n|)_{n \geq 0}$ arranged by decreasing.

Let L be the class of positive continuous functions increasing to $+\infty$ on $[0; +\infty)$ and L_1 the class of functions $\Phi \in L$ such that $\varphi(2t) = O(\varphi(t))$ ($t \rightarrow +\infty$), where φ is the inverse function to Φ .

By $\ln\text{-meas}(E) = \int_{E \cap [1, +\infty)} d \ln r$ denote the logarithmic measure of a set $E \subset \mathbb{R}$.

Theorem 1. *Let $F \in \mathcal{D}$, $\Phi_1 \in L_1$, $\Phi_1(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{x} \ln \mu(x, F)$. If*

$$(\exists \alpha > 0) : \int_{t_0}^{+\infty} t^{-2} (n_1(t))^\alpha dt < +\infty, \quad n_1(t) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{\mu_n \leq t} 1, \quad t_0 > 0, \quad (4)$$

then there exists a set $E \subset \mathbb{R}$ such that $\ln\text{-meas}(E) < +\infty$ and the relation

$$M(x, F) = o(\mu(x, F) \ln^{1/\alpha} \mu(x, F)) \quad (5)$$

holds as $x \rightarrow +\infty$ ($x \notin E$).

In order to prove Theorem 1 we need the following lemma.

Lemma 1 ([10]). *Let $F \in \mathcal{D}$ such that $\Phi_1 \in L_1$, and $v(t)$ be a nonnegative function on $[0, +\infty)$ for which $v(t) > 0$ for $t > t_0$ and $\int_0^{+\infty} v(t) dt < +\infty$. If $\ln n = o(\ln |a_n|)$ ($n \rightarrow +\infty$), then there exists a function $c_1(t) \uparrow +\infty$ ($t \rightarrow +\infty$) such that for all $n \geq 0$ and $x > 0$ ($x \notin E, \ln\text{-meas}(E) < +\infty$) one has*

$$|a_n| e^{x\lambda_n} \leq \mu(x, F) \exp \left\{ -x \int_{\mu_\nu}^{\mu_n} (\mu_n - t) \frac{c_1(t)}{\varphi(t)} v(4t) dt \right\},$$

where $\mu_n = -\ln |a_n|$, $\nu = \nu(x, F) = \max\{n : |a_n| e^{x\lambda_n} = \mu(x, F)\}$ is the central index of series (1).

Proof of Theorem 1. With no loss of generality we may and do assume that $\lambda_0 = 0 = \mu_0 \leq \mu_n = -\ln |a_n| \nearrow +\infty$ ($1 \leq n \rightarrow +\infty$). It is easy to see that condition (4) implies $(n_1(t))^\alpha = o(t)$ ($t \rightarrow +\infty$) (in particular $n^\alpha \leq \mu_n$ as $n \geq n_0$), and thus

$$\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \mu_n^{-2/\alpha} < +\infty, \quad \int_{t_0}^{+\infty} t^{-2} N(t) dt < +\infty, \quad N(t) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \int_{t_0}^t u^{-1} (n_1(u))^\alpha du, \quad t_0 > 0.$$

By Lemma 1 with the function $v(t) = 16t^{-2}(n_1(t))^\alpha$ ($t \geq t_0$), $v(t) = 0$ ($t \in [0; t_0)$), as $n = 0$ we obtain for all $x > 0$ outside of some exceptional set E_1 of finite logarithmic measure

$$\ln \mu(x, F) \geq x \int_{t_0}^{\mu_\nu} \frac{c_1(t)(n_1(4t))^\alpha}{t\varphi(t)} dt.$$

Hence, using the inequality $x \geq \frac{1}{2}\varphi(\mu_\nu)$ ($x \geq x_0$), $\nu = \nu(x - 0, F)$ (inequality (10) from [10]), we get the following inequalities

$$\ln \mu(x, F) \geq x \int_{3\mu_\nu/4}^{\mu_\nu} \frac{c_1(t)(n_1(4t))^\alpha}{t\varphi(t)} dt \geq (n_1(3\mu_\nu))^\alpha c_2(\mu_\nu), \quad c_2(t) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{2}c_1\left(\frac{3}{4}t\right) \ln \frac{4}{3} \quad (6)$$

which hold for all $x \in [x_1, +\infty \setminus E_1]$, where $x_1 \geq x_0$. Let $\sigma(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{\mu_n > 3\mu_\nu} |a_n| e^{x\lambda_n}$. Then Lemma 1 with the function $v(t) = 16t^{-2}N(t)$ ($t \geq t_0$), $v(t) = 0$ ($t \in [0; t_0)$), implies that

$$\sigma(x)/\mu(x, F) \leq \sum_{\mu_n > 3\mu_\nu} \mu_n^{-2/\alpha} \exp(\max\{\psi(y) : y \geq 3\mu_\nu\}), \quad (7)$$

as $x \rightarrow +\infty$ outside some exceptional set E_2 of finite logarithmic measure, where $\psi(y) = -xc_3(\mu_\nu) \int_{\mu_\nu}^y \frac{y-t}{t^2} \cdot \frac{N(4t)}{\varphi(t)} dt + \frac{2}{\alpha} \ln y$, and c_3 is the function c_1 from Lemma 1 associated with the function $v(t) = 16t^{-2}N(t)$.

Since $\psi'(y) = -xc_3(\mu_\nu) \int_{\mu_\nu}^y \frac{N(4t)}{t^2\varphi(t)} dt + \frac{2}{\alpha y}$ decreases on $[3\mu_\nu, +\infty)$, for all $y \geq 3\mu_\nu$ and for all large enough ν using the monotonicity of the function $t/\varphi(t)$ and the inequality $x \geq \frac{1}{2}\varphi(\mu_\nu)$ ($x \geq x_0$), $\nu = \nu(x - 0, F)$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \psi'(y) &\leq \psi'(3\mu_\nu) = -xc_3(\mu_\nu) \int_{\mu_\nu}^{3\mu_\nu} \frac{N(4t)}{t^2\varphi(t)} dt + \frac{2}{3\alpha\mu_\nu} \leq \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2}c_3(\mu_\nu)\mu_\nu \int_{\mu_\nu}^{3\mu_\nu} \frac{N(4t)}{t^3} dt + \frac{2}{3\alpha\mu_\nu} \leq -\frac{1}{27}c_3(\mu_\nu) \frac{N(4\mu_\nu)}{\mu_\nu} + \frac{2}{3\alpha\mu_\nu} < 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the function $\psi(y)$ decreases on $[3\mu_\nu, +\infty)$ for $\nu \geq \nu_0$ and thus

$$\begin{aligned} \max\{\psi(y) : y \geq 3\mu_\nu\} &= \psi(3\mu_\nu) \leq -xc_3(\mu_\nu) \frac{\mu_\nu}{\varphi(\mu_\nu)} N(4\mu_\nu) \int_{\mu_\nu}^{2\mu_\nu} \frac{3\mu_\nu - t}{t^3} dt + \\ &+ \frac{2}{\alpha} \ln(3\mu_\nu) \leq -\frac{1}{16}c_3(\mu_\nu) N(4\mu_\nu) + \frac{2}{\alpha} \ln 3\mu_\nu, \end{aligned}$$

as $\nu \rightarrow +\infty$. Hence, the relation $N(t)/\ln t \rightarrow +\infty$ ($t \rightarrow +\infty$) (the function $N(t)$ is logarithmically convex) implies $\max\{\psi(y) : y \geq 3\mu_\nu\} \leq -\frac{1}{17}c_3(\mu_\nu)N(4\mu_\nu)$ as $\nu \geq \nu_1$ for some $\nu_1 \geq \nu_0$. Therefore, from (7) passing $x \rightarrow +\infty$ we deduce

$$\sigma(x)/\mu(x, F) = o(\exp\{-0.05 \cdot c_3(\mu_\nu)N(4\mu_\nu)\}) \quad (8)$$

outside a set $E_1 \cup E_2$ of finite logarithmic measure. Applying relations (8) and (6) we complete the proof of Theorem 1. \square

The following assertion shows that relation (5) under condition (4) in general can not be improved.

Theorem 2. For every $\alpha > 0$ there exists a function $F \in \mathcal{D}$ such that condition (4) and the relation

$$(\forall \varepsilon > 0) : \int_{t_0}^{+\infty} t^{-2}(n_1(t))^{\alpha+\varepsilon} dt = +\infty \quad (9)$$

hold and

$$(\forall \varepsilon \in (0; 1/\alpha)) : \frac{F(x)}{\mu(x, F)(\ln \mu(x, F))^{1/\alpha-\varepsilon}} \rightarrow +\infty$$

as $x \rightarrow +\infty$.

Proof of Theorem 2. Let $\lambda_0 = 0$, $n_0 = 0$, and $\lambda_k = e^k$, $n_k = \left[\frac{1}{k}(e^k \ln^{-2}(k+1))^{1/\alpha}\right] + 1 \in \mathbb{N}$ ($k \geq 1$). Consider first an entire Dirichlet series

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} a_k e^{z\lambda_k}, \quad a_k = \exp\{-\lambda_k \ln \lambda_k\}.$$

Taking into account that $\varkappa_k \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\ln a_{k-1} - \ln a_k)/(\lambda_k - \lambda_{k-1}) = k + \frac{1}{e-1} \uparrow +\infty$ ($1 \leq k \uparrow +\infty$), by [11, p.19] we obtain

$$\mu(x, f) = \exp\{-\lambda_k \ln \lambda_k + x\lambda_k\} \quad (x \in [\varkappa_k, \varkappa_{k+1}]).$$

We note now that $\varkappa_{k+1} - \varkappa_k = 1$ and

$$\frac{e^k}{e-1} \leq \ln \mu(x, f) \leq \frac{e}{e-1} e^k, \quad x - \frac{e}{e-1} \leq k \leq x - \frac{1}{e-1}$$

for $x \in [\varkappa_k, \varkappa_{k+1}]$. Thus

$$n_k + 1 \geq d_0 \frac{(\ln \mu(x, f))^{1/\alpha}}{\ln_2 \mu(x, f) \ln_3^{2/\alpha} \mu(x, f)}, \quad (10)$$

for $x \in [\varkappa_k, \varkappa_{k+1}]$, where $d_0 > 0$ is some constant, $\ln_k t \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \ln \ln_{k-1} t$ ($k \geq 2$), $\ln_1 t = \ln t$. We set

$$\lambda_k^{(s)} = \lambda_k + \frac{s}{n_k} \ln(3/2) \quad (1 \leq s \leq n_k, \quad k \geq 1).$$

Then $\lambda_k < \lambda_k^{(s)} < \lambda_k^{(s+1)} < \lambda_k + \ln(3/2)$ ($1 \leq s \leq n_k - 1$), therefore

$$\Delta_k^{(s)} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{2} \exp\{\varkappa_{k+1}(\lambda_k - \lambda_k^{(s)})\} > \frac{1}{3} \exp\{\varkappa_k(\lambda_k - \lambda_k^{(s)})\} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \delta_k^{(s)} \quad (1 \leq s \leq n_k, \quad k \geq 1).$$

We put $a_k^{(s)} = (\Delta_k^{(s)} + \delta_k^{(s)})a_k/2$ and consider the Dirichlet series of the form

$$F(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \left(a_k e^{z\lambda_k} + \sum_{s=1}^{n_k} a_k^{(s)} e^{z\lambda_k^{(s)}} \right).$$

It is easy to verify that $F \in \mathcal{D}$ and

$$\mu(x, F)/3 \leq a_k^{(s)} \exp\{x\lambda_k^{(s)}\} \leq \mu(x, F)/2, \quad \mu(x, F) = \mu(x, f) \quad (11)$$

for $x \in [\varkappa_k, \varkappa_{k+1}]$, since $a_k^{(s)} \in (\delta_k^{(s)} a_k; \Delta_k^{(s)} a_k)$. Indeed, for $x \in [\varkappa_k, \varkappa_{k+1}]$ we have

$$a_k^{(s)} e^{x\lambda_k^{(s)}} \leq \Delta_k^{(s)} a_k e^{x\lambda_k^{(s)}} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot a_k \exp\{x\lambda_k^{(s)} + \varkappa_{k+1}(\lambda_k - \lambda_k^{(s)})\} \leq \frac{1}{2} \cdot a_k e^{x\lambda_k} = \frac{\mu(x, F)}{2},$$

and on the other hand

$$a_k^{(s)} e^{x\lambda_k^{(s)}} \geq \delta_k^{(s)} a_k e^{x\lambda_k^{(s)}} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot a_k \exp\{x\lambda_k^{(s)} + \varkappa_k(\lambda_k - \lambda_k^{(s)})\} \geq \frac{1}{3} \cdot a_k e^{x\lambda_k} = \frac{\mu(x, F)}{3}.$$

In addition, for $1 \leq s \leq n_k$ and $x > 0$ we have

$$a_k^{(s)} e^{x\lambda_k^{(s)}} \leq \Delta_k^{(s)} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^x a_k e^{x\lambda_k} \leq \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^x a_k e^{x\lambda_k}$$

and thus

$$a_k e^{x\lambda_k} + \sum_{s=1}^{n_k} a_k^{(s)} e^{x\lambda_k^{(s)}} \leq \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} n_k \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^x\right) a_k e^{x\lambda_k},$$

which easily yields that $F \in \mathcal{D}$.

Let $n_1(t)$ be the counting function of the sequence $\{\mu_k^*\} = \{\mu_k\} \cup \{\mu_k^{(s)}\}$, where $\mu_k \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -\ln a_k = ke^k$, $\mu_k^{(s)} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -\ln a_k^{(s)}$. Direct calculations verify that conditions (4) and (9) are satisfied. Indeed, $\mu_k^{(s)} = (1 + o(1))\mu_k$ as $k \rightarrow +\infty$ ($1 \leq s \leq n_k$), thus for all $q = \alpha + \varepsilon$, $\varepsilon > 0$, we get

$$\int_{2\mu_k}^{4\mu_k} \frac{(n_1(t))^q}{t^2} dt \geq \frac{(n_1(2\mu_k))^q}{4\mu_k} \geq \frac{1}{4\mu_k} \left(\sum_{s=1}^k (n_s + 1) \right)^q \geq \frac{(n_k)^q}{4\mu_k} \rightarrow +\infty \quad (k \rightarrow +\infty),$$

hence condition (9) holds. Similarly, putting $b_k = (\mu_k + \mu_{k-1})/2$ as $k \rightarrow +\infty$ we obtain

$$\int_{b_k}^{b_{k+1}} \frac{(n_1(t))^\alpha}{t^2} dt \leq d \frac{(n_1(b_{k+1}))^\alpha}{\mu_k} = d \frac{1}{\mu_k} \left(\sum_{s=1}^k (n_s + 1) \right)^\alpha \leq d \frac{1}{\mu_k} (k(n_k + 1))^\alpha = \frac{(d + o(1))}{k \ln^2(k + 1)},$$

where $d > 0$ is some constant, hence condition (4) holds.

Using conditions (10) and (11) we complete the proof of Theorem 2

$$F(x) \geq (n_k + 1)\mu(x, F)/3 \geq \frac{d_0 \mu(x, F)(\ln \mu(x, F))^{1/\alpha}}{3 \ln_2 \mu(x, F) \ln_3^{2/\alpha} \mu(x, F)}. \quad \square$$

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