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THE REPRESENTATION OF ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS BY MEANS OF SERIES IN LAGUERRE FUNCTIONS OF THE SECOND KIND

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It is proved that an analytic function f can be represented by a series in Laguerre functions of the second kind $\{M_n^{(\alpha)}(z)\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ iff f is a K_α -transformation of a suitable entire function. Here K_α is the modified Bessel function of the third kind with index α .

The system of Laguerre functions of the second kind with parameter $\alpha > -1$ is defined in the region $C \setminus [0, +\infty]$ by the equalities

$$(1) \quad M_n^{(\alpha)}(z) = - \int_0^{\infty} \frac{t^\alpha \exp(-t) L_n^{(\alpha)}(t)}{t-z} dt, \quad n=0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

where $\{L_n^{(\alpha)}(z)\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ are the Laguerre polynomials with parameter α . Using Rodrigues formula [1, II, p. 188, (5)] from (1) we get easily that

$$(2) \quad M_n^{(\alpha)}(z) = - \int_0^{\infty} \frac{t^{n+\alpha} \exp(-t)}{(t-z)^{n+1}} dt, \quad n=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

If $\operatorname{Re} z < 0$, we denote by $l(z)$ the ray $\{\zeta = (-z) \cdot t, 0 \leq t < +\infty\}$. Then, from (2) it follows that

$$(3) \quad M_n^{(\alpha)}(z) = - \int_{l(z)} \frac{\zeta^{n+\alpha} \exp(-\zeta)}{(\zeta-z)^{n+1}} d\zeta = - (-z)^\alpha \int_0^{\infty} \frac{t^{n+\alpha} \exp(zt)}{(1+t)^{n+1}} dt.$$

Having in view the integral representation [1, I, p. 273, (10)] of Tricomi's confluent hypergeometrical function, from (3) we get the following representation of the Laguerre functions of second kind ($n=0, 1, 2, \dots, z \in C \setminus [0, +\infty)$)

$$(4) \quad M_n^{(\alpha)}(z) = - \frac{2(-z)^{\alpha/2}}{\Gamma(n+1)} \int_0^{\infty} t^{n+\alpha/2} \exp(-t) K_\alpha(2\sqrt{-zt}) dt,$$

where $K_\alpha(z)$ is the modified Bessel function of the third kind with index α .

In this paper using the integral representation (4) we consider the problem of expanding an analytic function in series of the kind

$$(5) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n M_n^{(\alpha)}(z).$$

The region of convergence of the series (5) can be described by means of a formula of Cauchy-Hadamard type. More precisely, the following statement holds [2, p. 283].

Lemma 1. If $\mu_0 = \max\{0, \limsup_{n \rightarrow +\infty} (2\sqrt{n})^{-1} \ln |b_n|\}$, the series (5) is absolutely uniformly convergent on every compact subset of the region $\Delta^*(\mu_0): \operatorname{Re}(-z)^{1/2} > \mu_0$ and diverges at every point of the region $\mathbb{C} \setminus \overline{\Delta^*(\mu_0)} \cup [0, +\infty)$ ($\Delta^*(+\infty) = \emptyset$, $\Delta^*(0) = \mathbb{C} \setminus [0, +\infty)$).

Let $0 \leq \tau < +\infty$ and $B(\tau)$ denote the class of the entire functions Ψ having the property that

$$(6) \quad \limsup_{|w| \rightarrow +\infty} (2/|w|)^{-1} (\ln |\Psi(w)| - |w|) \leq \tau.$$

Lemma 2. The entire function

$$(7) \quad \Psi(w) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n!)^{-1} b_n w^n$$

belongs to the class $B(\tau)$ iff

$$(8) \quad \limsup_{n \rightarrow +\infty} (2\sqrt{n})^{-1} \ln |b_n| \leq \tau.$$

Proof. (a) If $\Psi \in B(\tau)$, then for every $\delta > 0$,

$$|b_n| = O\left\{n! \int_{|w|=n} |w|^{-n-1} |\Phi(w)| ds\right\} = O\{n! n^{-n} \exp [n + 2(\tau + \delta)\sqrt{n}]\}$$

and therefore, $\limsup_{n \rightarrow +\infty} (2\sqrt{n})^{-1} \ln |b_n| \leq \tau + \delta$.

(b) Suppose that (8) holds. Then, having in view the asymptotic formula [3, (8.22.3)] for the Laguerre polynomials, we can conclude that for every $\delta > 0$ there exists $M(\delta) > 0$ such that $|b_n| \leq M(\delta) L_n^{(0)}[-(\tau + \delta)^2]$ ($n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$) (Let us note that $L_n^{(0)}(-x) > 0$ if $x > 0$.) Using [1, II, p. 189, (18)] we get that

$$\begin{aligned} |\Psi(w)| &= O\left\{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n!)^{-1} L_n^{(0)}[-(\tau + \delta)^2] |w|^n\right\} = O\{e^{|w|} J_0[2\sqrt{-(\tau + \delta)^2} |w|]\} \\ &= O\{e^{|w|} J_0[2i(\tau + \delta)\sqrt{|w|}]\} = O\{e^{|w|} I_0[2(\tau + \delta)\sqrt{|w|}]\}, \end{aligned}$$

where $J_0(z)$ is the Bessel function of the first kind and $I_0(z)$ is the modified Bessel function of the first kind, both with zero index.

Further, the asymptotic formula [1, II, p. 86, (5)] gives that $|\Psi(w)| = O\{|w|^{1/4} \exp[|w| + 2(\tau + \delta)\sqrt{|w|}]\}$ and since $\delta > 0$ is arbitrary, we get (6).

Theorem 1. Let $0 \leq \mu_0 < +\infty$, $\alpha > -1$ and f be a complex function analytic in the region $\Delta^*(\mu_0)$. In order that f can be expanded in this region in a series of the kind (5) is necessary and sufficient that for f holds an integral representation

$$(9) \quad f(z) = -2(-z)^{\alpha/2} \int_0^{\infty} t^{\alpha/2} \exp(-t) \Psi(t) K_{\alpha}(2\sqrt{-zt}) dt,$$

where $\Psi \in B(\mu_0)$.

Proof. First of all we note that if $\Psi \in B(\mu_0)$, the integral in (9) is absolutely uniformly convergent on every compact subset $K \subset \Delta^*(\mu_0)$. Indeed, let $\mu_0 < \mu < +\infty$ be chosen so that $K \subset \Delta^*(\mu)$. Then from the inequality $|\Psi(t)| = O\{\exp[t + 2(\mu_0 + \delta)\sqrt{t}]\}$, where $\delta = (\mu - \mu_0)/2$, and the asymptotic formula [1, II, p. 86, (7)] it follows that if $t \rightarrow +\infty$

$$(10) \quad t^{a/2} \exp(-t) |\Psi(t) K_\alpha(2\sqrt{-zt})| = O\{t^{a/2} \exp(-2\delta\sqrt{t})\}$$

uniformly on K .

Let us suppose that the representation (9) holds, where $\Psi \in B(\mu_0)$. If the function Ψ is given by the expansion (7), from Lemmas 1, 2 it follows that the series (5) is convergent in the region $\Delta^*(\mu_0)$. Then, if we define $R_\nu(z) = f(z) - \sum_{n=0}^{\nu} b_n M_n^{(a)}(z)$ and use the integral representation (4), we can write

$$R_\nu(z) = -2(-z)^{a/2} \int_0^\infty t^{a/2} \exp(-t) \left\{ \sum_{n=\nu+1}^\infty (n!)^{-1} b_n t^n \right\} K_\alpha(2\sqrt{-zt}).$$

From Lemma 2 it follows that the function $\Psi^*(z) = \sum_{n=0}^\infty (n!)^{-1} |b_n| z^n$ also belongs to the class $B(\mu_0)$. Therefore, if we replace Ψ by Ψ^* in (10), we can assert that for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists $T = T(\varepsilon) > 0$ such that

$$\int_T^\infty t^{a/2} \exp(-t) \Psi^*(t) |K_\alpha(2\sqrt{-zt})| dt < \varepsilon.$$

Then, for every $\nu = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ we get that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_T^\infty t^{a/2} \exp(-t) \left\{ \sum_{n=\nu+1}^\infty (n!)^{-1} b_n t^n \right\} K_\alpha(2\sqrt{-zt}) dt \right| \\ & \leq \int_T^\infty t^{a/2} \exp(-t) \Psi^*(t) |K_\alpha(2\sqrt{-zt})| dt < \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Further, there exists a $N = N(\varepsilon)$ such that if $\nu > N$ and $0 \leq t \leq T$, then $\sum_{n=\nu+1}^\infty (n!)^{-1} b_n t^n < \varepsilon$. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_0^T t^{a/2} \exp(-t) \left\{ \sum_{n=\nu+1}^\infty (n!)^{-1} b_n t^n \right\} K_\alpha(2\sqrt{-zt}) dt \right| \\ & = O \left\{ \varepsilon \int_0^T t^{a/2} \exp(-t) |K_\alpha(2\sqrt{-zt})| dt \right\} = O(\varepsilon). \end{aligned}$$

Now, $R_\nu(z) = O(\varepsilon)$ if $\nu > N$, i. e. the series (5) represents the function f in the region $\Delta^*(\mu_0)$.

Let f be analytic in the region $\Delta^*(\mu_0)$ ($0 \leq \mu_0 < +\infty$) and have a representation by the series (5) in this region. Then, from Lemmas 1, 2 it follows that the function Ψ defined by (7) belongs to the class $B(\mu_0)$. By means of the integral transformation (9) the function Ψ defines a complex function \tilde{f} analytic in the region $\Delta^*(\mu_0)$. But we have just seen that \tilde{f} can be represented in this region by the series (5) and, therefore, $f = \tilde{f}$.

As an application of Theorem 1 we shall get a necessary and sufficient condition for a complex function f , analytic in the half-plane $H^+(\tau_0)$: $\text{Im } z > \tau_0$ ($0 \leq \tau_0 < +\infty$), to be represented in this half-plane by a series in Hermite functions of the second kind $\{G_n(z)\}_{n=0}^\infty$. The last system is defined by the equalities ($z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus (-\infty, +\infty)$) $G_n(z) = -\int_{-\infty}^\infty (t-z)^{-1} \exp[-(-t^2)H_n(t)] dt$, $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, where $\{H_n(z)\}_{n=0}^\infty$ are the Hermite polynomials.

Using the relations [1, II, p. 193, (2), (3)] between Laguerre and Hermite polynomials, we can write the corresponding formulas, which express the Hermite functions of second kind in terms of the Laguerre functions of second kind, namely

$$G_{2n}(z) = (-1)^n 2^{2n} n! z M_n^{(-1/2)}(z^2), \quad G_{2n+1}(z) = (-1)^n 2^{2n+1} n! M_n^{(1/2)}(z^2).$$

The above relations, the equalities $K_{1/2}(z) = K_{-1/2}(z) = \sqrt{\pi/2z} \exp(-z)$ [1, II, p. 5, (14); p. 9, (39)] and Theorem 1 lead to the following result

Theorem 2. *The complex function f , analytic in the half-plane $H^+(\tau_0)$ ($0 \leq \tau_0 < +\infty$), can be expanded in this half-plane in a series of Hermite functions of the second kind iff for f holds the representation*

$$f(z) = \int_0^\infty \{\Psi_1(t^2) + t\Psi_2(t^2)\} \exp(-t^2 + 2izt) dt,$$

where $\Psi_1, \Psi_2 \in B(\tau_0)$,

Remark. Theorem 2 holds if we replace the half-plane $H^+(\tau_0)$ by $H(-\tau_0)$: $\text{Im } z < -\tau_0$ and z by $-z$.

As a second application of Theorem 1 we shall prove that under the assumption $\text{Re}(-z)^{1/2} > \text{Re}(-\zeta)^{1/2}$ ($z, \zeta \in \mathbb{C}$) holds the equality

$$(11) \quad 2\zeta^{-\alpha/2} (-z)^{\alpha/2} \int_0^\infty J_\alpha(2\sqrt{\zeta t}) K_\alpha(2\sqrt{-zt}) dt = \frac{1}{\zeta - z}.$$

The system of Laguerre polynomials as well as the system of Laguerre functions of the second kind satisfies the linear recurrence $(n+1)y_{n+1} + (z-2n-\alpha-1)y_n + (n+\alpha)y_{n-1} = 0$. Moreover, there is a formula of Cristoffel-Darboux type, namely

$$(12) \quad \frac{1}{z-\xi} = \sum_{n=0}^{\nu} \frac{1}{J_n^{(\alpha)}} L_n^{(\alpha)}(\zeta) M_n^{(\alpha)}(z) + \frac{A_{\nu+1}^{(\alpha)}(\zeta, z)}{z-\zeta},$$

where $J_n^{(\alpha)} = \Gamma(n+\alpha+1)/\Gamma(n+1)$ and $A_{\nu+1}^{(\alpha)}(\zeta, z) = (\nu+1)/J_\nu^{(\alpha)} \{L_\nu^{(\alpha)}(\zeta) M_{\nu+1}^{(\alpha)}(z) - L_{\nu+1}^{(\alpha)}(\zeta) M_\nu^{(\alpha)}(z)\}$.

With the aim of (12) and the asymptotic formulas for Laguerre polynomials [3, (8.22.2), (8.22.3)] and for Laguerre functions of the second kind [2, p. 272, (11)] one can prove that $1/(z-\zeta) = \sum_{n=0}^\infty L_n^{(\alpha)}(\zeta) M_n^{(\alpha)}(z)/J_n^{(\alpha)}$ provided that $\text{Re}(-z)^{1/2} > \text{Re}(-\zeta)^{1/2}$.

For every $\zeta \in \mathbb{C}$ the entire function

$$\Psi_\alpha(\zeta, \omega) = \sum_{n=0}^\infty \frac{L_n^{(\alpha)}(\zeta)}{n! J_n^{(\alpha)}} \omega^n = \sum_{n=0}^\infty \frac{L_n^{(\alpha)}(\zeta)}{\Gamma(n+\alpha+1)} \omega^n$$

is in the class $B(\tau)$, where $\tau = \text{Re}(-\zeta)^{1/2}$. Then, (11) follows immediately from Theorem 1, while $\Psi_\alpha(\zeta, \omega) = \exp \omega(\zeta \omega)^{-\alpha/2} J_\alpha(2\sqrt{\zeta \omega})$ [1, II, p. 189, (18)].

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