

# A Note on the Growth Properties of Composite Entire Functions Related to Proximate Order

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## Abstract

In this paper we deduce a consequence of a result of Datta and Tamang[1] on the basis of proximate order of entire functions.

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## 1 Introduction, Definitions and Notations.

Let  $f$  be an entire function defined in the open complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$ . The definitions of order  $\rho_f$  and proximate order  $\rho_f(r)$  of entire  $f$  with finite order are well known. We do not explain the standard notations and definitions in the theory of entire functions as those are available in [2]. In the paper we deduce an application of a result of Datta and Tamang [1] using proximate order of entire functions of finite order.

## 2 Lemma.

In the section we present a lemma which will be needed in the sequel.

The following lemma is in fact a result of Datta and Tamang [1].

**Lemma 1** [1] *Let  $f$  and  $g$  be two entire functions of finite lower order such that  $0 < \lambda_g < \lambda_f$  and  $M(r, g) > \frac{2+\varepsilon}{\varepsilon} |g(0)|$  for an  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Then for all sufficiently large values of  $r$ ,*

$$T(r, f \circ g) < T(M(r, f), g) \text{ for all } r > 0.$$

## 3 Theorem.

In this section we present the main result of the paper.

**Theorem 1** *Let  $f$  and  $g$  be two entire functions such that  $0 < \lambda_g < \lambda_f \leq \rho_f < \infty$  and  $\rho_g < \infty$ . Also let  $M(r, g) > \frac{2+\varepsilon}{\varepsilon} |g(0)|$  for an  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Then*

$$\liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log T(r, f \circ g)}{T(r, f)} \leq 3 \cdot \rho_g \cdot 2^{\rho_f}.$$

**Proof.** In view of Lemma 1 we obtain for all large values of  $r$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \log T(r, f \circ g) &\leq \log T(M(r, f), g) \\ \text{i.e., } \log T(r, f \circ g) &\leq (\rho_g + \varepsilon) \log M(r, f) \\ \text{i.e., } \liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log T(r, f \circ g)}{T(r, f)} &\leq (\rho_g + \varepsilon) \liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log M(r, f)}{T(r, f)}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\varepsilon (> 0)$  is arbitrary, it follows from above that

$$\liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log T(r, f \circ g)}{T(r, f)} \leq \rho_g \liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log M(r, f)}{T(r, f)}. \quad (1)$$

As  $\limsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{T(r, f)}{r^{\rho_f(r)}} = 1$ , for given  $\varepsilon$  ( $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ ) we get for all large values of  $r$ ,

$$T(r, f) < (1 + \varepsilon) r^{\rho_f(r)}$$

and for a sequence of values of  $r$  tending to infinity

$$T(r, f) > (1 - \varepsilon) r^{\rho_f(r)}.$$

Since  $\log M(r, f) \leq 3T(2r, f)$  for a sequence of values of  $r$  tending to infinity we get for any  $\delta (> 0)$ ,

$$\frac{\log M(r, f)}{T(r, f)} \leq \frac{3(1 + \varepsilon)}{(1 - \varepsilon)} \cdot \frac{(2r)^{\rho_f + \delta}}{(2r)^{\rho_f + \delta - \rho_f(2r)}} \cdot \frac{1}{r^{\rho_f(r)}}.$$

As  $\frac{d}{dr}r^{\rho_f+\delta-\rho_f(r)} = \{\rho_f + \delta - \rho_f(r) - r\rho_f'(r)\log r\}r^{\rho_f+\delta-\rho_f(r)-1} > 0$  for all sufficiently large values of  $r$ ,  $(2r)^{\rho_f+\delta-\rho_f(2r)}$  is ultimately an increasing function of  $r$  and so it follows from above that

$$\frac{\log M(r, f)}{T(r, f)} \leq \frac{3(1+\varepsilon)}{(1-\varepsilon)} \cdot 2^{\rho_f+\delta}. \quad (2)$$

Since  $\varepsilon (> 0)$  and  $\delta (> 0)$  are arbitrary, we obtain from (2) that

$$\liminf_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log M(r, f)}{T(r, f)} \leq 3 \cdot 2^{\rho_f}. \quad (3)$$

Thus the theorem follows from (1) and (3). ■

**Remark 1** *If in particular  $g(0) = 0$  and the other conditions remain the same then also Theorem 1 holds.*

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