

On the Uniform Approximation of a Class of Analytic Functions by Bruwier Series

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For a class of analytic functions $f(z)$ defined by Laplace–Stieltjes integrals the uniform convergence on compact subsets of the complex plane of the Bruwier series (B-series) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_n(f) \frac{(z-nc)^n}{n!}$, $\lambda_n(f) = f^{(n)}(nc) + cf^{(n+1)}(nc)$, generated by $f(z)$ and the uniform approximation of the generating function $f(z)$ by its B-series in cones $|\arg z| \leq \varphi < \frac{\pi}{2}$ is shown. © 2000 Academic Press

1. INTRODUCTION

In order to solve the difference-differential equation $\sum_{k=0}^m \alpha_k f^{(k)}(z - (m-k)c) = 0$, $\alpha_k \in \mathbb{C}$, $c \neq 0$ L. Bruwier [1] has used series of the form

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_n \frac{(z-nc)^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_n b_n(z). \quad (1.1)$$

If (see [1])

$$\lambda = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\lambda_n|^{1/n} < \frac{1}{e|c|} \quad (1.2)$$

this series converges uniformly on compact subsets of the complex plane \mathbb{C} so that the sum $f(z)$ is an entire function. If $\lambda > \frac{1}{e|c|}$ the series is divergent, whereas with $\lambda = \frac{1}{e|c|}$ different cases can occur. In a paper about series of the form (1.1)—called Bruwier series—O. Perron [3] pointed out that Bruwier has used the uniqueness of expansion (1.1) in his studies without any proof. Therefore in [3] subsequently the uniqueness was proven and the following characterization of all entire functions $f(z)$ with a representation (1.1) was given.

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THEOREM 1 [O. Perron]. *The entire function $f(z)$ can be represented by a convergent B-series with $\lambda < \frac{1}{e|c|}$ if and only if the inequality*

$$|f^{(n)}(cnx)| \leq k \left(\frac{\alpha}{|c|} e^{-x} \right)^n, \quad 0 < \alpha < 1, \quad k > 0 \quad (1.3)$$

is satisfied for all $x \in [0, 1]$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

Remark 1. A completely different characterization of those entire functions $f(z)$ with a representation (1.1) will be shown in Section 2 of this paper.

Now, it is easily shown that if an entire function $f(z)$ has a representation (1.1) then the coefficients have the form

$$\lambda_n(f) = f^{(n)}(nc) + cf^{(n+1)}(nc), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}_0 \quad (1.4)$$

e.g. all entire functions of exponential type $\sigma < \frac{1}{|c|}$ have convergent resp. Mittag-Leffler-summable representations (1.1) (see [6]).

Because of (1.4) each function—even not entire ones—can be associated with a formal B-series

$$B(z; c, f) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_n(f) \frac{(z - nc)^n}{n!} \quad (1.5)$$

generated by $f(z)$ if the coefficients $\lambda_n(f)$ are defined. If a B-series converges at a point $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ then the series converges uniformly on compact subsets of \mathbb{C} and the sum $B(z; c, f)$ is an entire function. Of course, if $f(z)$ is not entire we have $B(z; c, f) \neq f(z)$. In Section 3 (Theorem 4) it will be shown that for a class of functions analytic in the half plane $\Re z > 0$, which can be represented by Laplace-Stieltjes integrals, $B(z; c, f)$ (resp. a slightly modified B-series, cf. (3.10)) converges for all $c > 0$ and approximates the generating function $f(z)$ uniformly on cones $|\arg z| \leq \varphi < \frac{\pi}{2}$ if $c > 0$ is sufficiently small.

Remark 2. In [2] W. A. J. Luxemburg discussed the approximation of functions of the form

$$f(z) = z \int_0^1 \frac{d\mu(t)}{1 + zt}, \quad (1.6)$$

$\mu(t)$ a Lebesgue-Stieltjes measure of finite total variation on $[0, 1]$, by Abel series. For small $c > 0$ the Abel series of $f(z)$ approximates $f(z)$ uniformly

in half planes $\Re z \geq x_0 > -1$. According to Sheffers classification of sequences of polynomials (see [5]) the interpolation polynomials of Abel

$$a_0(z) \equiv 1$$

$$a_n(z) = \frac{z(z - nc)^{n-1}}{n!}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}$$

and the Bruwier polynomials

$$b_n(z) = \frac{(z - nc)^n}{n!}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}_0$$

belong to the same class of Sheffer polynomials (see [6]). Therefore it is not surprising that similar results can be proven for B-series as well as Abel series.

2. REPRESENTATION OF ENTIRE FUNCTIONS BY B-SERIES

This problem is discussed very extensively in papers [3] and [6]. For the reader's convenience only the most important results are summarized in this section: The polynomials $b_n(z) = (z - nc)^n/n!$ are Sheffer polynomials with the generating function

$$\frac{e^{zw(t)}}{1 + cw(t)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} t^n b_n(z). \tag{2.1}$$

Here $w(t)$ is the absolutely smallest root of the transcendental equation $we^{cw} = t$ which can be expanded into a power series of the form

$$w(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-nc)^{n-1}}{n!} t^n. \tag{2.2}$$

The radius of convergence is equal to $\frac{1}{e|c|}$. If \mathbf{K}_t is the circle $|t| < \frac{1}{e|c|}$ then \mathbf{K}_t is mapped conformal to the compact convex domain $w(\mathbf{K}_t)$ bounded by the points w with $|cwe^{cw+1}| = 1$, $\Re cw \geq -1$. At $t = -\frac{1}{ec}$ $w(t)$ has a bifurcation point although the series (2.2) is convergent at this point. If $|t| < \frac{1}{e|c|}$ (2.1) implies

$$e^{zw} = (1 + cw) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (we^{cw})^n b_n(z). \tag{2.3}$$

If $f(z)$ is an entire function of exponential type which has a conjugate indicator diagram $D(f) \subset w(\mathbf{K}_t)$ then the well known Pólya-representation of $f(z)$ implies

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Gamma} e^{zw} F(w) dw \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n(z) \oint_{\Gamma} (1+cw)(we^{cw})^n F(x) dw \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_n(f) b_n(z) \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

with the coefficients

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_n(f) &= f^{(n)}(nc) + cf^{(n+1)}(nc) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Gamma} (1+cw)(we^{cw})^n F(w) dw \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

and the Laplace-Borel transform $F(w) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n! f_n}{w^{n+1}}$ of the entire function $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f_n z^n$. Γ is a contour in $w(\mathbf{K}_t)$ containing $D(f)$ in its interior.

This result can be summarized in the following.

THEOREM 2 (see [6]). *Each entire function $f(z)$ of exponential type having a conjugate indicator diagram which is contained in the compact convex domain $w(\mathbf{K}_t)$ bounded by the points w satisfying $|cwe^{cw+1}| = 1$, $\Re cw \geq -1$, can be expanded into a convergent B-series.*

Remark 3. Because of Theorem 2 we now have a second characterization of all those entire functions which can be expanded into a convergent B-series, completely different from Perron's one mentioned in the introduction.

Remark 4. Conversely, the sum of convergent B-series is an entire function of exponential type whose conjugate indicator diagram lies in $w(\mathbf{K}_t)$.

3. B-SERIES OF A CLASS OF ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS

Let \mathcal{H} be the class of all analytic functions $f(z)$ given by the Laplace-Stieltjes integral

$$f(z) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-zs} dm(s), \quad (3.1)$$

where $m(s)$ is a complex function of bounded variation on $[0, \infty)$. That $f(z)$ determines the coefficient $\lambda_0(f) = f(0) + cf'(0)$ in addition the existence of the first moment of $m(s)$ is assumed, which means the integrals

$$M_k = \int_0^\infty s^k dm(s), \quad k = 0, 1 \tag{3.2}$$

converge. Since the abscissa σ_c of convergence and σ_a of absolute convergence are not positive each function $f(z) \in \mathcal{H}$ is analytic in the half plane $\Re z > 0$ so that all coefficients $\lambda_n(f)$ are defined and a (formal) B-series—called B-series $B(z; c, f)$ generated by $f(z)$ —can be associated with $f(z)$. Now, from $c > 0$ and $f(z) \in \mathcal{H}$ follows that

$$\lambda_n(f) = \int_0^\infty \lambda_n(e^{-zs}) dm(s) = \int_0^\infty (1 - cs)(-se^{-cs})^n dm(s) \tag{3.3}$$

so that we have

$$B(z; c, e^{-zs}) = (1 - cs) \sum_{n=0}^\infty (-se^{-cs})^n b_n(z).$$

Because of $0 \leq se^{-cs} \leq \frac{1}{ec}$ the B-series converges for all $s \geq 0$ and the sum $B(z; c, e^{-zs})$ is given by

$$B(z; c, e^{-zs}) = \begin{cases} e^{-zc}, & 0 \leq s < \frac{1}{c} \\ 0, & s = \frac{1}{c} \\ \frac{1 - cs}{1 - cv(s)} e^{-zv(s)}, & s > \frac{1}{c} \end{cases} \tag{3.4}$$

where $v(s)$ is the unique real solution of the equation

$$ve^{-cv} = se^{-cs}, \quad s \geq \frac{1}{c}, \tag{3.5}$$

satisfying $0 \leq v(s) \leq \frac{1}{c}$ and $\lim_{s \rightarrow (1/e)^+} v(s) = \frac{1}{c}$. Furthermore, because of $e^{-cv}v' = \frac{1 - cs}{1 - cv}e^{-cs} < 0$ for all $s > \frac{1}{c}$ we have

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} v(s) = 0. \tag{3.6}$$

Remark 5. (3.4) implies $\lambda_n(e^{-z/c}) = 0$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ and $c \in \mathbb{C}$. But there is no non-trivial entire function $f(z)$ of exponential type $\sigma < \frac{1}{|c|}$ so that $\lambda_n(f) = 0$ for all n . Therefore, the representation of entire functions of exponential type $\sigma < \frac{1}{|c|}$ by convergent resp. Mittag-Leffler summable B-series is unique so that these functions are a uniqueness class for the interpolation problem

$$\lambda_n(f) = l_n, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}_0, \quad (3.7)$$

$\{l_n\}$ a given sequence of complex numbers (see [6] and [7]). In accordance with (3.4) $B(z; c, e^{-zs})$ has a (removable) discontinuity at $s = \frac{1}{c}$ so that the integral in

$$\begin{aligned} B(z; c, f) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_n(f) b_n(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n(z) \int_0^{\infty} (1 - cs)(-se^{-cs})^n dm(s) \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1 - cs)(-se^{-cs})^n b_n(z) dm(s) \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} B(z; c, e^{-zs}) dm(s) \end{aligned}$$

which we get if we exchange summation and integration is not defined if $m(s)$ is discontinuous at $s = \frac{1}{c}$. It is easy to relieve oneself of this restriction by the following method (cf. also [4] or [7]): If we take the expression

$$f(z) = \alpha_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n \left(1 - \frac{z}{nc}\right)^n + \alpha_{\infty} e^{-z/c}$$

in place of the B-series then because of

$$\left(1 - \frac{z}{nc}\right)^n = \frac{n!}{(-nc)^n} b_n(z) \quad (3.8)$$

we get (see also Remark 7)

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_0 &= \lambda_0(f) \\ \alpha_n &= \frac{(-nc)^n}{n!} \lambda_n(f - \alpha_{\infty} e^{-z/c}) = \frac{(-nc)^n}{n!} \lambda_n(f), \quad n \in \mathbb{N} \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$

$$\alpha_{\infty} = f(0) - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n$$

and finally

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(z) &= \lambda_0(f)(1 - e^{-z/c}) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n(f) \frac{(-nc)^n}{n!} \left[\left(1 - \frac{z}{nc}\right)^n - e^{-z/c} \right] \\
 &\quad + f(0) e^{-z/c} \\
 &= \lambda_0(f)(1 - e^{-z/c}) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n(f) \left[b_n(z) - \frac{(-nc)^n}{n!} e^{-z/c} \right] \\
 &\quad + f(0) e^{-z/c}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.10}$$

Now, each $f \in \mathcal{K}$ generates a series of the form (3.10) which we again call a B-series $\hat{B}(z; c, f)$.

Remark 6. If the B-series $B(z; c, f)$ converges, obviously

$$\hat{B}(z; c, f) = B(z; c, f) + [f(0) - B(0; c, f)] e^{-z/c} \tag{3.11}$$

is valid, that means if $B(z; c, f) = f(z)$ then follows $\hat{B}(z; c, f) = B(z; c, f) = f(z)$ so that the series $\hat{B}(z; c, f)$ can be seen as a special kind of summation of B-series.

Remark 7. Because of $|1 - \frac{z}{nc}|^n - e^{-z/c} \leq |\frac{z}{c}|^2 e^{|z/c|}/n$ the expansion (3.10) of an entire function $f(z)$ can be interpreted also as the subtraction of factors in the B-series for $f(z) - f(0) e^{-z/c}$ which improves the convergence.

Now, we can prove the following

THEOREM 3. For each real $c > 0$ and $z \in \mathbb{C}$ the B-series

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{B}(z; c, e^{-zs}) &= (1 - cs) \left\{ 1 - e^{-z/c} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(nc)^n}{n!} (se^{-cs})^n \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \times \left[\left(1 - \frac{z}{nc}\right)^n - e^{-z/c} \right] \right\} + e^{-z/c}
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.12}$$

generated by e^{-zs} converges uniformly and absolutely with respect to real $s \geq 0$. Furthermore, we have

$$\hat{B}(z; c, e^{-zs}) = \begin{cases} e^{zs}, & 0 \leq s \leq \frac{1}{c} \\ \frac{1 - cs}{1 - cv(s)} [e^{-zv(s)} - e^{-z/c}] + e^{-z/c}, & s > \frac{1}{c} \end{cases} \tag{3.13}$$

where $v(s)$ is the unique real solution of the equation $ve^{-cv} = se^{-cs}$, $s \geq \frac{1}{c}$, satisfying $v(s) \leq \frac{1}{c}$.

Proof. It is easy to check the uniform and absolute convergence of B-series (3.12), so that we only have to show formula (3.13). For $0 \leq s < \frac{1}{c}$ the B-series

$$B(z; c, e^{-zs}) = (1 - cs) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-se^{-cs})^n b_n(z) \quad (3.14)$$

represents (cf. (3.4)) the function e^{-zs} . If $z=0$ we have $B(0; c, e^{-zs}) = 1$ which together with (3.11), immediately implies $\hat{B}(z; c, f) = e^{-zs}$ if $0 \leq s \leq \frac{1}{c}$. For $s > \frac{1}{c}$ the series (3.14) represents in accordance with (3.4) the function $\frac{1-cs}{1-cv(s)} e^{-zv(s)}$ so that again with (3.11)

$$\hat{B}(z; c, e^{-zs}) = \frac{1 - cs}{1 - cv(s)} [e^{-zv(s)} - e^{-z/c}] + e^{-z/c}$$

follows. ■

Remark 8. Because of the uniform convergence in $s \geq 0$ $\hat{B}(z; c, e^{-zs})$ is continuous also at $s = \frac{1}{c}$, which can also be seen directly from (3.13).

The main result of the paper is the following.

THEOREM 4. *If $f(z) \in \mathcal{K}$ the B-series*

$$\hat{B}(z; c, f) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_n(f) \frac{(-nc)^n}{n!} \left[\left(1 - \frac{z}{nc}\right)^n - e^{-z/c} \right] + f(0) e^{z/c}, \quad 0^0 := 1 \quad (3.15)$$

generated by $f(z)$ converges for each $c > 0$ absolutely and uniformly on compact subsets of the complex plane. In the half plane $\Re z > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{B}(z; c, f) = f(z) + e^{-z/c} \int_{1/c}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{1 - cs}{1 - cv(s)} [e^{(z/c)(1 - cv(s))} - 1] \right. \\ \left. + 1 - e^{(z/c)(1 - cs)} \right\} dm(s), \end{aligned} \quad (3.16)$$

and the estimate

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\hat{B}(z; c, f) - f(z)| \leq & \left| \mu(\infty) - \mu\left(\frac{1}{c}\right) \right| \left[d_1 + \left(\frac{|\Im z|}{c} + d_2 \frac{|\Im z|^2}{c^2} \right) e^{-\Re z/c} \right] \\
 & + 2e^{-\Re z/c} \int_{1/c}^{\infty} |dm(s)| \tag{3.17}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$d_1, d_2 > 0, \quad \mu(s) = \int_0^s (1 - cu) dm(u), \quad \mu(\infty) = M_0 - cM_1,$$

are valid. Furthermore, if $c \rightarrow 0 +$ $\hat{B}(z; c, f)$ tends to $f(z)$ uniformly in each cone $|\arg z| \leq \varphi < \frac{\pi}{2}$.

Proof. If $f(z) \in \mathcal{H}$ we have

$$\lambda_n(f) = (-1)^n \int_0^{\infty} (1 - cs)(se^{-cs})^n dm(s)$$

which together with

$$s^{n+1} e^{-cs} \leq \frac{2}{c} (ec)^{-n}$$

immediately implies

$$|\lambda_n(f)| \leq \frac{3}{(ec)^n} \int_0^{\infty} |dm(s)|.$$

From this inequality and $|(1 - \frac{z}{nc})^n - e^{-z/c}| \leq \frac{|z|^2}{c^2} e^{|z/c|}/n$ follows that the B-series $\hat{B}(z; c, f)$ generated by $f(z)$ converges absolutely and uniformly on compact subsets of \mathbb{C} . Therefore the sum $\hat{B}(z; c, f)$ is an entire function of the form (cf. Theorem 3, (3.12))

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{B}(z; c, f) &= \int_0^{\infty} \left\{ (1 - cs) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (se^{-cs})^n \frac{(nc)^n}{n!} \left[\left(1 - \frac{z}{nc} \right)^n - e^{-z/c} \right] \right\} dm(s) \\
 &\quad + f(0) e^{-z/c} \\
 &= \int_0^{\infty} [\hat{B}(z; c, e^{-zs}) - e^{-z/c}] dm(s) + f(0) e^{-z/c} \\
 &= \int_0^{\infty} \hat{B}(z; c, e^{-zs}) dm(s). \tag{3.18}
 \end{aligned}$$

The last integral in (3.18) exists since (cf. (3.13))

$$\hat{B}(z; c, e^{-zs}) = O(s) \quad \text{if } s \rightarrow \infty.$$

Now, (3.13) implies

$$\hat{B}(z; c, f) = \int_0^{1/c} e^{-zs} dm(s) + \int_{1/c}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{1-cs}{1-cv(s)} [e^{-zv(s)} - e^{-z/c}] + e^{-z/c} \right\} dm(s)$$

which gives (3.16) respectively

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{B}(z; c, f) - f(z) &= \int_{1/c}^{\infty} \frac{1-cs}{1-cv(s)} [1 - e^{-(s/c)(1-cv(s))}] e^{-zv(s)} dm(s) \\ &\quad + \int_{1/c}^{\infty} (e^{-z/c} - e^{-zs}) dm(s) \\ &= I_1(z, c) + I_2(z, c) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$|\hat{B}(z; c, f) - f(z)| \leq |I_1(z, c)| + |I_2(z, c)|. \quad (3.19)$$

It is easy to check that

$$|I_2(z, c)| \leq 2e^{-\Re z/c} \int_{1/c}^{\infty} |dm(s)| \quad (3.20)$$

so that we only have to estimate $I_1(z, c)$. If we rewrite $I_1(z, c)$ to

$$\begin{aligned} I_1(z, c) &= \int_{1/c}^{\infty} (1-cs) e^{-zv(s)} \left(\int_0^{z/c} e^{-t(1-cv(s))} dt \right) dm(s) \\ &= \int_0^{z/c} e^{-t} \left(\int_{1/c}^{\infty} (1-cs) e^{-v(s)[z-ct]} dm(s) \right) dt \end{aligned}$$

we get with $z = x + iy$ (the integrand is entire with respect to t)

$$\begin{aligned} I_1(z, c) &= \int_0^{x/c} e^{-t} \left(\int_{1/c}^{\infty} (1-cs) e^{-v(s)[x-ct]} dm(s) \right) dt \\ &\quad + ie^{-x/c} \int_0^{y/c} e^{-it} \left(\int_{1/c}^{\infty} (1-cs) e^{-iv(s)[y-ct]} dm(s) \right) dt \\ &= I_1(x, c) + e^{-x/c} I_1(iy, c). \end{aligned} \quad (3.21)$$

With $\mu(s) = \int_0^s (1 - cu) dm(u)$ (note that $\mu(s)$ is bounded for $s \geq \frac{1}{c}$ and $|v'(s)| = -v'(s)$) the estimate

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_{1/c}^{\infty} (1 - cs) e^{-v(s)[x-ct]} dm(s) \right| \\ &= \left| \int_{1/c}^{\infty} e^{-v(s)[x-ct]} d\left(\mu(s) - \mu\left(\frac{1}{c}\right)\right) \right| \\ &\leq \left| \mu(\infty) + \mu\left(\frac{1}{c}\right) \right| \\ &\quad + (x - ct) \left| \int_{1/c}^{\infty} v'(s) e^{-v(s)[x-ct]} \left(\mu(s) - \mu\left(\frac{1}{c}\right)\right) ds \right| \\ &\leq \left| \mu(\infty) + \mu\left(\frac{1}{c}\right) \right| + \left| \mu(\xi) - \mu\left(\frac{1}{c}\right) \right| \\ &\leq d_1 \left| \mu(\infty) - \mu\left(\frac{1}{c}\right) \right|, \xi \in \left[\frac{1}{c}, \infty \right] \end{aligned}$$

follows, so that we finally get

$$\begin{aligned} |I_1(x, c)| &\leq d_1 \left| \mu(\infty) - \mu\left(\frac{1}{c}\right) \right| \int_0^{x/c} e^{-t} dt \\ &\leq d_1 \left| \mu(\infty) - \mu\left(\frac{1}{c}\right) \right|. \end{aligned} \tag{3.22}$$

The estimate

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_{1/c}^{\infty} (1 - cs) e^{-iv(s)[y-ct]} dm(s) \right| \\ &\leq \left| \mu(\infty) - \mu\left(\frac{1}{c}\right) \right| + |y - ct| \int_{1/c}^{\infty} |v'(s)| \left| \mu(s) - \mu\left(\frac{1}{c}\right) \right| ds \\ &\leq \left| \mu(\infty) - \mu\left(\frac{1}{c}\right) \right| + \frac{M}{c} |y - ct| \leq \left| \mu(\infty) - \mu\left(\frac{1}{c}\right) \right| \left(1 + d_2 \frac{|y|}{c} \right), \\ & \quad M = \max_{s \in [1/c, \infty]} \left| \mu(s) - \mu\left(\frac{1}{c}\right) \right| \end{aligned}$$

implies

$$|I_1(iy, c)| \leq \left| \mu(\infty) - \mu\left(\frac{1}{c}\right) \right| \left(\frac{|y|}{c} + d_2 \frac{|y|^2}{c^2} \right) \quad (3.23)$$

so that

$$|I_1(z, c)| \leq \left| \mu(\infty) - \mu\left(\frac{1}{c}\right) \right| \left[d_1 + \left(\frac{|y|}{c} + d_2 \frac{|y|^2}{c^2} \right) e^{-x/c} \right] \quad (3.24)$$

is valid. Now, (3.20) and (3.24) imply inequality (3.17) of the theorem. To finish the proof let us choose $c > 0$ so that $|\mu(s) - \mu(s^*)| < \varepsilon$ for arbitrary $\varepsilon > 0$ and all $s, s^* \geq \frac{1}{c}$. This is always possible since the existence of the integrals $\int_0^\infty s^k d\mu(s)$, $k = 0, 1$, is assumed (cf. (3.2)). Now, estimate (3.17) immediately shows the rest of the theorem. ■

Remark 9. It is easily checked that the class of functions (1.6) examined by W. A. J. Luxemburg in connection with Abel series (cf. [2] resp. Remark 2) generates convergent B-series $B(z; c, f)$ and $\hat{B}(z; c, f)$. With help of the representation

$$f(z) = \int_0^1 \left(\int_0^\infty \frac{1 - e^{-zst}}{t} e^{-s} ds \right) d\mu(t)$$

it can be shown that (for sufficient small $c > 0$) $f(z)$ is approximated uniformly by $B(z; c, f)$ or $\hat{B}(z; c, f)$ on half planes $\Re z \geq x_0 > -1$ also.

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