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# ON SOME GROWTH PROPERTIES OF COMPOSITE ENTIRE AND MEROMORPHIC FUNCTIONS FROM THE VIEW POINT OF THEIR GENERALIZED TYPE $(\alpha, \beta)$ AND GENERALIZED WEAK TYPE $(\alpha, \beta)$

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**Abstract:** The main aim of this paper is to prove some results related to the growth rates of composite entire and meromorphic functions on the basis of their generalized type  $(\alpha, \beta)$  and generalized weak type  $(\alpha, \beta)$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are continuous non-negative functions defined on  $(-\infty, +\infty)$ .

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# 1. Introduction, Definitions and Notations

Let us consider that the reader is familiar with the fundamental results and the standard notations of the Nevanlinna theory of meromorphic functions which are available in [7, 9, 14]. We also use the standard notations and definitions of the theory of entire functions which are available in [13] and therefore we do not explain those in details. Let f be an entire function and  $M_f(r) = \max\{|f(z)| : |z| = r\}$ .

When f is meromorphic, the Nevanlinna's characteristic function  $T_f(r)$  (see [7, p. 4]) plays the same role as  $M_f(r)$ , which is defined as

$$T_f(r) = N_f(r) + m_f(r),$$

wherever the function  $N_f(r,a)(\overline{N}_f(r,a))$  known as counting function of a-points (distinct a-points) of meromorphic f is defined as follows:

$$N_f(r, a) = \int_0^r \frac{n_f(t, a) - n_f(0, a)}{t} dt + n_f(0, a) \log r$$

$$\left(\overline{N}_f(r,a) = \int_0^r \frac{\overline{n}_f(t,a) - \overline{n}_f(0,a)}{t} dt + \overline{n}_f(0,a) \log r\right),\,$$

in addition we represent by  $n_f(r,a)(\overline{n}_f(r,a))$  the number of a-points (distinct a-points) of f in  $|z| \leq r$  and an  $\infty$ -point is a pole of f. In many occasions  $N_f(r,\infty)$  and  $\overline{N}_f(r,\infty)$  are symbolized by  $N_f(r)$  and  $\overline{N}_f(r)$  respectively.

On the other hand, the function  $m_f(r, \infty)$  alternatively indicated by  $m_f(r)$  known as the proximity function of f is defined as:

$$m_f(r) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log^+ |f(re^{i\theta})| d\theta$$
, where

 $\log^+ x = \max(\log x, 0)$  for all  $x \ge 0$ .

Also we may employ  $m(r, \frac{1}{f-a})$  by  $m_f(r, a)$ .

For an entire function f, the Nevanlinna's characteristic function  $T_f(r)$  of f is defined as

$$T_f(r) = m_f(r).$$

Moreover, if f is non-constant entire then  $T_f(r)$  is also strictly increasing and continuous function of r. Therefore its inverse  $T_f^{-1}:(T_f(0),\infty)\to(0,\infty)$  exists and is such that  $\lim_{s\to\infty}T_f^{-1}(s)=\infty$ . For  $x\in[0,\infty)$  and  $k\in\mathbb{N}$  where  $\mathbb{N}$  is the set of all positive integers, we define iterations of the exponential and logarithmic functions as  $\exp^{[k]}x=\exp(\exp^{[k-1]}x)$  and  $\log^{[k]}x=\log(\log^{[k-1]}x)$ , with convention that  $\log^{[0]}x=x$ ,  $\log^{[-1]}x=\exp x$ ,  $\exp^{[0]}x=x$ , and  $\exp^{[-1]}x=\log x$ . Further we assume that p and q always denote positive integers. Now considering this, let us recall that Juneja et al. [8] defined the (p,q)-th order and (p,q)-th lower order of

an entire function as follows:

**Definition 1.** [8] Let  $p \ge q$ . The (p,q)-th order  $\rho^{(p,q)}(f)$  and (p,q)-th lower order  $\lambda^{(p,q)}(f)$  of an entire function f are defined as:

$$\rho^{(p,q)}(f) = \limsup_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\log^{[p]} M_f(r)}{\log^{[q]} r} \text{ and } \lambda^{(p,q)}(f) = \liminf_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\log^{[p]} M_f(r)}{\log^{[q]} r}.$$

If f is a meromorphic function, then

$$\rho^{(p,q)}(f) = \limsup_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\log^{[p-1]} T_f(r)}{\log^{[q]} r} \text{ and } \lambda^{(p,q)}(f) = \liminf_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\log^{[p-1]} T_f(r)}{\log^{[q]} r}.$$

For any entire function f, using the inequality  $T_f(r) \leq \log M_f(r) \leq 3T_f(2r)$   $\{cf. [7]\}$ , one can easily verify that

$$\rho^{(p,q)}(f) = \limsup_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\log^{[p]} M_f(r)}{\log^{[q]} r} = \limsup_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\log^{[p-1]} T_f(r)}{\log^{[q]} r}$$
 and  $\lambda^{(p,q)}(f) = \liminf_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\log^{[p]} M_f(r)}{\log^{[q]} r} = \liminf_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\log^{[p-1]} T_f(r)}{\log^{[q]} r}.$ 

when  $p \geq 2$ .

The function f is said to be of regular (p,q) growth when (p,q) -th order and (p,q)-th lower order of f are the same. Functions which are not of regular (p,q) growth are said to be of irregular (p,q) growth.

Extending the notion of (p,q)-th order, recently Shen et al. [11] introduced the new concept of [p,q]- $\varphi$  order of entire and meromorphic functions where  $p \geq q$ . Later on, combining the definition of (p,q)-order and [p,q]- $\varphi$  order, Biswas (see, e.g., [2]) redefined the (p,q)-order of entire and meromorphic functions without restriction  $p \geq q$ .

However the above definition is very useful for measuring the growth of entire and meromorphic functions. If p=l and q=1 then we write  $\rho^{(l,1)}(f)=\rho^{(l)}(f)$  and  $\lambda^{(l,1)}(f)=\lambda^{(l)}(f)$  where  $\rho^{(l)}(f)$  and  $\lambda^{(l)}(f)$  are respectively known as generalized order and generalized lower order of entire or meromorphic function f. For details about generalized order one may see [10]. Also for p=2 and q=1, we respectively denote  $\rho^{(2,1)}(f)$  and  $\lambda^{(2,1)}(f)$  by  $\rho(f)$  and  $\lambda(f)$  which are classical growth indicators such as order and lower order of entire or meromorphic function f.

Now let L be a class of continuous non-negative functions  $\alpha$  defined on  $(-\infty, +\infty)$  such that  $\alpha(x) = \alpha(x_0) \geq 0$  for  $x \leq x_0$  with  $\alpha(x) \uparrow +\infty$  as  $x \to +\infty$ . For any  $\alpha \in L$ , we say that  $\alpha \in L_1^0$ , if  $\alpha((1 + o(1))x) = (1 + o(1))\alpha(x)$  as  $x \to +\infty$  and

 $\alpha \in L_2^0$ , if  $\alpha(\exp((1+o(1))x)) = (1+o(1))\alpha(\exp(x))$  as  $x \to +\infty$ . Finally for any  $\alpha \in L$ , we also say that  $\alpha \in L_1$ , if  $\alpha(cx) = (1+o(1))\alpha(x)$  as  $x_0 \le x \to +\infty$  for each  $c \in (0, +\infty)$  and  $\alpha \in L_2$ , if  $\alpha(\exp(cx)) = (1+o(1))\alpha(\exp(x))$  as  $x_0 \le x \to +\infty$  for each  $c \in (0, +\infty)$ . Clearly,  $L_1 \subset L_1^0$ ,  $L_2 \subset L_2^0$  and  $L_2 \subset L_1$ . Further we assume that throughout the present paper  $\alpha_2, \beta, \beta_1, \beta_2 \in L_1$  and  $\alpha_1 \in L_2$  unless otherwise specifically stated.

Considering the above, Sheremeta [12] introduced the concept of generalized order  $(\alpha, \beta)$  of an entire function. For details about generalized order  $(\alpha, \beta)$  one may see [12].

Now, we shall give the definition of the generalized order  $(\alpha, \beta)$  of a entire function which considerably extend the definition of  $\varphi$ -order introduced by Chyzhykov et al. [6]. In order to keep accordance with Definition 1, have gave a minor modification to the original definition of generalized order  $(\alpha, \beta)$  of an entire function (e.g. see, [12]).

**Definition 2.** The generalized order  $(\alpha, \beta)$  denoted by  $\rho_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f]$  and generalized lower order  $(\alpha, \beta)$  denoted by  $\lambda_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f]$  of an entire function f are defined as:

$$\rho_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f] = \limsup_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\alpha(M_f(r))}{\beta(r)}, \text{ and}$$

$$\lambda_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f] = \liminf_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\alpha(M_f(r))}{\beta(r)} \text{ where } \alpha \in L_1.$$

If f is a meromorphic function, then

$$\rho_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f] = \limsup_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\alpha(\exp(T_f(r)))}{\beta(r)}, \text{ and}$$

$$\lambda_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f] = \liminf_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\alpha(\exp(T_f(r)))}{\beta(r)} \text{ where } \alpha \in L_2.$$

Using the inequality  $T_f(r) \leq \log M_f(r) \leq 3T_f(2r) \{cf.[7]\}$ , for an entire function f, one may easily verify that

$$\rho_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f] = \limsup_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\alpha(M_f(r))}{\beta(r)} = \limsup_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\alpha(\exp(T_f(r)))}{\beta(r)}, \text{ and}$$

$$\lambda_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f] = \liminf_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\alpha(M_f(r))}{\beta(r)} \liminf_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\alpha(\exp(T_f(r)))}{\beta(r)} \text{ when } \alpha \in L_2.$$

Definition 1 is a special case of Definition 2 for  $\alpha(r) = \log^{[p]} r$  and  $\beta(r) = \log^{[q]} r$ .

Now in order to refine the growth scale namely the generalized order  $(\alpha, \beta)$ , we introduce the definitions of another growth indicators, called generalized type  $(\alpha, \beta)$  and generalized lower type  $(\alpha, \beta)$  respectively of an entire function which are as follows:

**Definition 3.** The generalized type  $(\alpha, \beta)$  denoted by  $\sigma_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f]$  and generalized lower type  $(\alpha, \beta)$  denoted by  $\overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f]$  of an entire function f having finite positive generalized order  $(\alpha, \beta)$   $(0 < \rho_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f] < \infty)$  are defined as:

$$\sigma_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f] = \limsup_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\exp(\alpha(M_f(r)))}{(\exp(\beta(r)))^{\rho_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f]}} \ and$$

$$\overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f] = \liminf_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\exp(\alpha(M_f(r)))}{(\exp(\beta(r)))^{\rho_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f]}}, \ (\alpha \in L_1).$$

If f is a meromorphic function, then

$$\sigma_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f] = \limsup_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\exp(\alpha(\exp(T_f(r))))}{(\exp(\beta(r)))^{\rho_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f]}} \text{ and }$$

$$\overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f] = \liminf_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\exp(\alpha(\exp(T_f(r))))}{(\exp(\beta(r)))^{\rho_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f]}}, \ (\alpha \in L_2).$$

It is obvious that  $0 \leq \overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f] \leq \sigma_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f] \leq \infty$ .

Analogously, to determine the relative growth of two entire functions having same non-zero finite generalized lower order  $(\alpha, \beta)$ , one can introduced the definition of generalized weak type  $(\alpha, \beta)$  and generalized upper weak type  $(\alpha, \beta)$  of a entire function f of finite positive generalized lower order  $(\alpha, \beta)$ ,  $\lambda_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f]$  in the following way:

**Definition 4.** The generalized upper weak type  $(\alpha, \beta)$  denoted by  $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f]$  and generalized weak type  $(\alpha, \beta)$  denoted by  $\tau_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f]$  of an entire function f having finite positive generalized lower order  $(\alpha, \beta)$   $(0 < \lambda_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f] < \infty)$  are defined as:

$$\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f] = \limsup_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\exp(\alpha(M_f(r)))}{(\exp(\beta(r)))^{\lambda_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f]}} \text{ and }$$

$$\tau_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f] = \liminf_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\exp(\alpha(M_f(r)))}{(\exp(\beta(r)))^{\lambda_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f]}}, (\alpha \in L_1).$$

If f is a meromorphic function, then

$$\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f] = \limsup_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\exp(\alpha(\exp(T_f(r))))}{(\exp(\beta(r)))^{\lambda_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f]}} \text{ and }$$

$$\tau_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f] = \liminf_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\exp(\alpha(\exp(T_f(r))))}{(\exp(\beta(r)))^{\lambda_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f]}}, (\alpha \in L_2).$$

It is obvious that  $0 \le \tau_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f] \le \overline{\tau}_{(\alpha,\beta)}[f] \le \infty$ .

In this paper we wish to prove some results related to the growth rates of composite entire and meromorphic functions on the basis of their generalized order  $(\alpha, \beta)$ , generalized type  $(\alpha, \beta)$  and generalized weak type  $(\alpha, \beta)$ . In fact some works in this direction have already been explored in [3, 4, 5].

## 2. Main Results

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

**Lemma 1.** [1] Let f be meromorphic and g be entire then for all sufficiently large values of r,

$$T_{f(g)}(r) \leq \{1 + o(1)\} \frac{T_g(r)}{\log M_g(r)} T_f(M_g(r)).$$

Now we present the main results of the paper.

**Theorem 1.** Let f be meromorphic and g be an entire function such that  $0 < \lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] \le \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$  and  $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$  where  $\beta_1(r) \le \exp(\alpha_2(r))$ . Then

$$\limsup_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\alpha_1(\exp(T_{f(g)}(r)))}{\alpha_1(\exp(T_f(\beta_1^{-1}(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]})))} \le \frac{\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] \cdot \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]}{\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]}.$$

**Proof.** We get from Lemma 1 and the inequality  $T_g(r) \leq \log M_g(r)$  {cf.[7]} for all sufficiently large values of r that

$$\alpha_{1}(\exp(T_{f(g)}(r))) \leq (1 + o(1))\alpha_{1}(\exp(T_{f}(M_{g}(r))))$$

$$i.e., \ \alpha_{1}(\exp(T_{f(g)}(r))) \leq (1 + o(1))(\rho_{(\alpha_{1},\beta_{1})}[f] + \varepsilon)\beta_{1}(M_{g}(r))$$

$$i.e., \ \alpha_{1}(\exp(T_{f(g)}(r))) \leq (1 + o(1))(\rho_{(\alpha_{1},\beta_{1})}[f] + \varepsilon)\exp(\alpha_{2}(M_{g}(r)))$$

$$i.e., \ \alpha_{1}(\exp(T_{f(g)}(r))) \leq$$

$$(1+o(1))(\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]+\varepsilon)(\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]+\varepsilon)(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]}.$$
 (2.1)

Now from the definition of  $\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ , we obtain for all sufficiently large values of r that

$$\alpha_1(\exp(T_f(\beta_1^{-1}(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\rho(\alpha_2,\beta_2)[g]}))) \ge (\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] - \varepsilon)(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\rho(\alpha_2,\beta_2)[g]}. (2.2)$$

Therefore from (2.1) and (2.2), it follows for all sufficiently large values of r that

$$\frac{\alpha_1(\exp(T_{f(g)}(r)))}{\alpha_1(\exp(T_f(\beta_1^{-1}(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\rho(\alpha_2,\beta_2)[g]})))} \le$$

$$\frac{(1+o(1))(\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]+\varepsilon)(\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]+\varepsilon)(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]}}{(\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]-\varepsilon)(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]}}$$

$$i.e., \limsup_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\alpha_1(\exp(T_{f(g)}(r)))}{\alpha_1(\exp(T_f(\beta_1^{-1}(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]})))} \le \frac{\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] \cdot \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]}{\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]}.$$

Thus the theorem is established.

**Remark 1.** In Theorem 1, if we replace the condition " $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " by " $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " and other conditions remain same, then Theorem 1 remains valid with " $\lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " and " $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " instead of " $\rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " and " $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " respectively.

Remark 2. In Theorem 1, if we replace the conditions " $0 < \lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] \le \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$  and  $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$  " by " $\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ ,  $\lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] > 0$  and  $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$  where  $\alpha_2 \in L_2$  " and other condition remains same, then Theorem 1 remains valid with " $\alpha_2(\exp(T_g(\beta_2^{-1}(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]})))$ " and " $\lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " instead of " $\alpha_1(\exp(T_f(\beta_1^{-1}(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]})))$ " and " $\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " respectively.

Remark 3. In Theorem 1, if we replace the conditions " $0 < \lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] \le \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$  and  $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " by " $\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ ,  $\lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] > 0$  and  $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$  where  $\alpha_2 \in L_2$ " and other condition remains same, then Theorem 1 remains valid with " $\alpha_2(\exp(T_g(\beta_2^{-1}(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]})))$ ", " $\lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " and " $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " instead of " $\alpha_1(\exp(T_f(\beta_1^{-1}(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]})))$ ", " $\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " and " $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " respectively.

Using the notion of generalized lower type  $(\alpha, \beta)$  we may state the following theorem without its proof because it can be carried out in the line of Theorem 1.

**Theorem 2.** Let f be meromorphic and g be an entire function such that  $0 < \lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] \le \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$  and  $\overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$  where  $\beta_1(r) \le \exp(\alpha_2(r))$ . Then

$$\liminf_{r\to+\infty} \frac{\alpha_1(\exp(T_{f(g)}(r)))}{\alpha_1(\exp(T_f(\beta_1^{-1}(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]})))} \leq \frac{\overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] \cdot \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]}{\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]}.$$

Remark 4. In Theorem 2, if we replace the conditions " $0 < \lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] \le \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$  and  $\overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " by " $\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ ,  $\lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] > 0$  and  $\overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$  where  $\alpha_2 \in L_2$ " and other condition remains same, then Theorem 2 remains valid with " $\alpha_2(\exp(T_g(\beta_2^{-1}(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]})))$ " and " $\lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " instead of " $\alpha_1(\exp(T_f(\beta_1^{-1}(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]})))$ " and " $\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " respectively.

**Remark 5.** In Theorem 2, if we replace the condition " $\overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " by " $\tau_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " and other conditions remain same, then Theorem 2 remains

valid with

Remark 6. In Theorem 2, if we replace the conditions " $0 < \lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] \le \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$  and  $\overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " by " $\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ ,  $\lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] > 0$  and  $\tau_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$  where  $\alpha_2 \in L_2$ " and other condition remains same, then Theorem 2 remains valid with " $\alpha_2(\exp(T_g(\beta_2^{-1}(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]})))$ ", " $\lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " and " $\tau_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " instead of " $\alpha_1(\exp(T_f(\beta_1^{-1}(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]})))$ ", " $\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " and " $\overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " respectively.

Now we state the following theorem without its proof as it can easily be carried out in the line in the line of Theorem 1.

**Theorem 3.** Let f be meromorphic and g be an entire function such that  $0 < \lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$  or  $0 < \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$  and  $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$  where  $\beta_1(r) \leq \exp(\alpha_2(r))$ . Then

$$\liminf_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\alpha_1(\exp(T_{f(g)}(r)))}{\alpha_1(\exp(T_f(\beta_1^{-1}(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\rho(\alpha_2,\beta_2)[g]})))} \le \sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g].$$

**Remark 7.** In Theorem 3, if we replace the condition " $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " by " $\bar{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " and other conditions remain same, then Theorem 3 remains valid with

**Remark 8.** In Theorem 3, if we replace the conditions " $0 < \lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$  or  $0 < \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$  and  $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " by " $\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ ,  $\lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] > 0$  and  $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$  where  $\alpha_2 \in L_2$ " and other condition remains same, then

$$\liminf_{r\to+\infty} \frac{\alpha_1(\exp(T_{f(g)}(r)))}{\alpha_2(\exp(T_g(\beta_2^{-1}(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\rho(\alpha_2,\beta_2)[g]})))} \leq \frac{\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]\cdot\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]}{\lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]}.$$

**Remark 9.** In Theorem 3, if we replace the conditions " $0 < \lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$  or  $0 < \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$  and  $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " by " $\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ ,  $\rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] > 0$  and  $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$  where  $\sigma_2 \in L_2$ " and other condition remains same, then

$$\liminf_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\alpha_1(\exp(T_{f(g)}(r)))}{\alpha_2(\exp(T_g(\beta_2^{-1}(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\rho(\alpha_2,\beta_2)[g]})))} \le \frac{\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] \cdot \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]}{\rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]}.$$

**Remark 10.** In Theorem 3, if we replace the conditions " $0 < \lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$  or  $0 < \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$  and  $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " by " $\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ ,  $\lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] > 0$  and

 $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$  where  $\alpha_2 \in L_2$ " and other condition remains same, then

$$\liminf_{r\to+\infty} \frac{\alpha_1(\exp(T_{f(g)}(r)))}{\alpha_2(\exp(T_g(\beta_2^{-1}(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]})))} \leq \frac{\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] \cdot \lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]}{\lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]}.$$

**Remark 11.** In Remark 10, if we replace the conditions " $\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ ,  $\lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] > 0$ " by " $\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ ,  $\rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] > 0$ " and other conditions remain same, then

$$\liminf_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\alpha_1(\exp(T_{f(g)}(r)))}{\alpha_2(\exp(T_q(\beta_2^{-1}(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]})))} \le \frac{\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] \cdot \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]}{\rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]}.$$

**Theorem 4.** Let f be meromorphic and g be an entire function such that (i)  $0 < \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ , (ii)  $\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] = \rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ , (iii)  $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$  and (iv)  $0 < \sigma_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$  where  $\beta_1(r) \leq \exp(\alpha_2(r))$ . Then

$$\liminf_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\alpha_1(\exp(T_{f(g)}(r)))}{\exp(\alpha_1(\exp(T_f(\beta_1^{-1}(\beta_2(r))))))} \le \frac{\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] \cdot \sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]}{\sigma_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]}.$$

**Proof.** In view of condition (ii), we obtain from (2.1) for all sufficiently large values of r that

$$\alpha_1(\exp(T_{f(g)}(r))) \leqslant (1 + o(1))(\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] + \varepsilon)(\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] + \varepsilon)(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]}.$$
(2.3)

Again in view of Definition 3 we get for a sequence of values of r tending to infinity that

$$\exp(\alpha_1(\exp(T_f(\beta_1^{-1}(\beta_2(r)))))) \ge (\sigma_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] - \varepsilon)(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]}. \tag{2.4}$$

Now from (2.3) and (2.4), it follows for a sequence of values of r tending to infinity that

$$\frac{\alpha_1(\exp(T_{f(g)}(r)))}{\exp(\alpha_1(\exp(T_f(\beta_1^{-1}(\beta_2(r))))))} \\
\leq \frac{(1+o(1))(\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]+\varepsilon)(\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]+\varepsilon)(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]}}{(\sigma_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]-\varepsilon)(\exp(\beta_2(r)))^{\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]}}.$$

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

$$\liminf_{r \to +\infty} \frac{\alpha_1(\exp(T_{f(g)}(r)))}{\exp(\alpha_1(\exp(T_f(\beta_1^{-1}(\beta_2(r))))))} \le \frac{\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] \cdot \sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]}{\sigma_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]}.$$

**Remark 12.** In Theorem 4, if we replace the conditions " $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " and " $0 < \sigma_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " by " $\overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " and " $0 < \overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " respectively and other conditions remain same, then Theorem 4 remains valid with " $\overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " and " $\overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " instead of " $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " and " $\sigma_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " respectively.

Remark 13. In Theorem 4, if we replace the conditions " $0 < \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " and " $0 < \sigma_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " by " $0 < \lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] \le \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " and " $0 < \overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " respectively and other conditions remain same, then Theorem 4 remains valid with " $\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " and " $\overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " instead of " $\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " and " $\sigma_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " respectively.

**Remark 14.** In Theorem 4, if we replace the condition " $0 < \sigma_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " by " $0 < \overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " and other conditions remain same, then Theorem 4 remains valid with "limit superior" and " $\overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " instead of "limit inferior" and " $\sigma_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " respectively.

Now using the concept of generalized upper weak type  $(\alpha, \beta)$ , we may state the following theorem without its proof since it can be carried out in the line of Theorem 4.

**Theorem 5.** Let f be meromorphic and g be an entire function such that (i)  $0 < \lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] \le \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ , (ii)  $\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] = \lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ , (iii)  $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$  and (iv)  $0 < \overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$  where  $\beta_1(r) \le \exp(\alpha_2(r))$ . Then

$$\liminf_{r\to+\infty} \frac{\alpha_1(\exp(T_{f(g)}(r)))}{\exp(\alpha_1(\exp(T_f(\beta_1^{-1}(\beta_2(r))))))} \leq \frac{\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] \cdot \overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]}{\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]}.$$

**Remark 15.** In Theorem 5, if we replace the conditions " $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " and " $0 < \overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " by " $\tau_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " and " $0 < \tau_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " respectively and other conditions remain same, then Theorem 5 remains valid with " $\tau_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " and " $\tau_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " instead of " $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " and " $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " respectively.

**Remark 16.** In Theorem 5, if we replace the conditions " $0 < \lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] \le \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " and " $0 < \overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " by " $0 < \lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " and " $0 < \tau_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " respectively and other conditions remain same, then Theorem 5 remains valid with " $\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " and " $\tau_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " instead of " $\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " and " $\tau_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " respectively.

**Remark 17.** In Theorem 5, if we replace the condition " $0 < \overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " by " $0 < \tau_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " and other conditions remain same, then Theorem 5 remains valid with "limit superior" and " $\tau_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " instead of "limit inferior" and " $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " respectively.

**Remark 18.** In Theorem 5, if we replace the conditions " $\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] = \lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ "

and " $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " by " $\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] = \rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " and " $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " respectively and other conditions remain same, then Theorem 5 remains valid with " $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " instead of " $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ ".

**Remark 19.** In Theorem 5, if we replace the conditions " $0 < \lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] \le \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ ", " $\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] = \lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " and " $0 < \overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " by " $0 < \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ ", " $\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] = \lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " and " $0 < \sigma_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " respectively and other conditions remain same, then Theorem 5 remains valid with " $\sigma_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " instead of " $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ ".

Remark 20. In Theorem 5, if we replace the conditions " $\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] = \lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ ", " $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " and " $0 < \overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " by " $\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] = \rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ ", " $\overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$   $< \infty$ " and " $0 < \tau_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " respectively and other conditions remain same, then Theorem 5 remains valid with " $\overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " and " $\tau_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " instead of " $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " and " $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ ".

Remark 21. In Theorem 5, if we replace the conditions " $0 < \lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] \le \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ ", " $\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] = \lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ ", " $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " and " $0 < \overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " by " $0 < \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ ", " $\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] = \lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ ", " $\tau_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " and " $0 < \overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " respectively and other condition remains same, then Theorem 5 remains valid with " $\tau_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " and " $\overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " instead of " $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " and " $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ ".

Remark 22. In Theorem 5, if we replace the conditions " $\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] = \lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ ", " $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " and " $0 < \overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " by " $\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] = \rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ ", " $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " and " $0 < \tau_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " respectively and other conditions remain same, then

$$\liminf_{r\to+\infty} \frac{\alpha_1(\exp(T_{f(g)}(r)))}{\exp(\alpha_1(\exp(T_f(\beta_1^{-1}(\beta_2(r))))))} \leq \frac{\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] \cdot \sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]}{\tau_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]}.$$

Remark 23. Remark 22 remains also valid with "limit superior" instead of "limit inferior".

Remark 24. In Remark 22, if we replace the conditions " $0 < \lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] \le \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ ", " $\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] = \rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ ", " $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " and " $0 < \tau_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " by " $0 < \lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ ", " $\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] = \lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ ", " $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " and " $0 < \overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " respectively and other condition remains same, then conclusion of Remark 22 remains valid with " $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " and " $\overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ " instead of " $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ " and " $\sigma_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]$ ".

**Remark 25.** In Remark 22, if we replace the conditions " $0 < \lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] \le \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ ", " $\lambda_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] = \rho_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ ", " $\sigma_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " and " $0 < \tau_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " by " $0 < \rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ ", " $\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] = \lambda_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]$ ", " $\overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g] < \infty$ " and

" $0 < \overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] < \infty$ " respectively and other condition remains same, then

$$\limsup_{r\to+\infty} \frac{\alpha_1(\exp(T_{f(g)}(r)))}{\exp(\alpha_1(\exp(T_f(\beta_1^{-1}(\beta_2(r)))))))} \leq \frac{\rho_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f] \cdot \overline{\tau}_{(\alpha_2,\beta_2)}[g]}{\overline{\sigma}_{(\alpha_1,\beta_1)}[f]}.$$

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