

ON A SUBCLASS OF CLOSE-TO-CONVEX FUNCTIONS

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§ 0. Introduction

The writing of this paper has been motivated by recent results of M. S. Robertson [7] and P. M. Chichra [1]. Let $S(\beta, \varphi)$ denote the class of functions

$$F(z) = z + a_2 z^2 + \dots$$

which are regular in $\mathcal{A} = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ and satisfy the condition

$$(0.1) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ e^{-i\varphi} \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} \right\} \geq \beta \cos \varphi, \quad |\varphi| < \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad 0 \leq \beta < 1$$

For $\beta=0$, this class was introduced by L. Spacek [9] and called the class of φ -spiral functions. It is composed of the univalent functions and constitutes a subclass of the well known class S . From the definition it results that

$$S(\beta, \varphi) \subset S(0, \varphi) \subset S.$$

For $-\frac{\pi}{2} < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$, and some $F(z) \in S(\beta, \varphi)$, we say that

$f(z) \in K(\lambda, \alpha, \beta, \varphi)$ provided

- (i) $f(z)$ is regular in \mathcal{A} , $f(0) = 0$, $f'(0) = 1$
- (ii) $f'(z) \neq 0$ in \mathcal{A} ,
- (iii) $\operatorname{Re} \left\{ e^{-i\alpha} \frac{zf'(z)}{F(z)} \right\} \geq \lambda \cos \alpha, \quad z \in \mathcal{A}$

We note that the class $K(0, 0, 0, 0)$ constitutes a subclass introduced by Bazilevic [3] of the class of close-to-convex functions with the classical normalization.

In this note we give a useful representation formula for members of $S(\beta, \varphi)$ and we determine the sharp radius of convexity for the functions $f(z) \in K(\lambda, \alpha, \beta, \varphi)$. Finally we establish the sharp upper bound and lower bound of $|f'(z)|$ if $f(z) \in K(\lambda, \alpha, \beta, \varphi)$.

§ 1. Preliminary remarks

Let \mathcal{D} denote the class of functions $p(z)$ which are regular and satisfy $p(0) = 1$, $\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0$, for z in \mathcal{A} . If $F(z) \in S(\beta, \varphi)$ then

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ e^{-i\varphi} \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} \right\} \geq \beta \cos \varphi, \quad 0 \leq \beta < 1, \quad |\varphi| < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

The introduction of appropriate normalizing factors enables us to write

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{e^{-i\varphi} \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} - \beta \cos \varphi + i \sin \varphi}{(1-\beta) \cos \varphi} \right) > 0$$

and

$$\frac{e^{-i\varphi} \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} - \beta \cos \varphi + i \sin \varphi}{(1-\beta) \cos \varphi} \Bigg|_{z=0} = 1, \quad \text{since} \quad \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} \Bigg|_{z=0} = 1.$$

Hence, we can write

$$\frac{e^{-i\varphi} \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} - \beta \cos \varphi + i \sin \varphi}{(1-\beta) \cos \varphi} = p(z), \quad p(z) \in \mathcal{D}.$$

Thus

$$(1.1) \quad e^{-i\varphi} \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} = (1-\beta) \cos \varphi p(z) + \beta \cos \varphi - i \sin \varphi.$$

From (1.1) we have

$$\frac{F'(z)}{F(z)} - \frac{1}{z} = (1-\beta) \cos \varphi e^{i\varphi} \frac{p(z) - 1}{z}$$

By integration, one obtains

$$\log \frac{F(z)}{z} = (1-\beta) \cos \varphi e^{i\varphi} \int_0^z \frac{p(t) - 1}{t} dt$$

Therefore we have a useful representation formula for members of $S(\beta, \varphi)$ in terms of functions $p(z)$ in \mathcal{D} . That is,

$$(1.2) \quad F(z) = z \exp \left\{ (1-\beta) \cos \varphi e^{i\varphi} \int_0^z \frac{p(t) - 1}{t} dt \right\}.$$

LEMMA 1. *If $F(z) \in S(\beta, \varphi)$, then, for $|z| = r < 1$, we have*

$$(1.3) \quad \left| \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} - \frac{1+r^2 e^{i\varphi} (e^{i\varphi} - 2\beta \cos \varphi)}{1-r^2} \right| \leq \frac{2r(1-\beta) \cos \varphi}{1-r^2}.$$

The equality is attained by the function

$$(1.4) \quad F(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z)^{2(1-\beta) \cos \varphi e^{i\varphi}}}.$$

Proof. If $F(z) \in S(\beta, \varphi)$, there exists a function $p(z) \in \mathcal{D}$ such that

$$(1.5) \quad e^{-i\varphi} \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} = (1-\beta) \cos\varphi p(z) + \beta \cos\varphi - i \sin\varphi.$$

In profiting of the domain of variation of the function $p(z) \in \mathcal{D}$ for z fixed, we obtain the conclusion of Lemma 1, since that domain of variation is a circle in which the diameter, located on the real axis, has its extremities at the points $\frac{1-r}{1+r}$, $\frac{1+r}{1-r}$.

LEMMA 2. If $F(z) \in S(\beta, \varphi)$, we have, for $|z|=r < 1$,

$$(1.6) \quad \frac{1-r^2+2r(1-\beta)\cos\varphi(r\cos\varphi-1)}{1-r^2} \leq \operatorname{Re} \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} \leq \frac{1-r^2+2r(1-\beta)\cos\varphi(r\cos\varphi+1)}{1-r^2}.$$

The equality is accomplished on the left and on the right respectively, for $|z|=r$, by the function

$$(1.7) \quad F_0(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z e^{i\theta})^{2(1-\beta)\cos\varphi} e^{i\varphi}}, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi.$$

For the left equality it takes place by setting

$$\theta = 2 \operatorname{arc} \tan \left(-\frac{1-r}{1+r} \cot \frac{\varphi}{2} \right)$$

and for right equality it takes place by setting

$$\theta = 2 \operatorname{arc} \tan \left[-\frac{1-r}{1+r} \cot \left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\varphi}{2} \right) \right].$$

Proof. From Lemma 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & -\frac{2r(1-\beta)\cos\varphi}{1-r^2} + \operatorname{Re} \frac{1+r^2 e^{i\varphi}(e^{i\varphi}-2\beta\cos\varphi)}{1-r^2} \leq \operatorname{Re} \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} \\ & \leq \frac{2r(1-\beta)\cos\varphi}{1-r^2} + \operatorname{Re} \frac{1+r^2 e^{i\varphi}(e^{i\varphi}-2\beta\cos\varphi)}{1-r^2}. \end{aligned}$$

The simple calculation gives the inequality (1.6). We can show that the function

$$F_0(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z e^{i\theta})^{2(1-\beta)\cos\varphi} e^{i\varphi}} \in S(\beta, \varphi).$$

Since the equality in (1.6) is real at the point z , $|z|=r$, we have, for $z=r$.

$$(1.8) \quad \operatorname{Re} \frac{rF_0'(r)}{F_0(r)} = 1 + 2(1-\beta)\cos\varphi \frac{r\cos(\varphi+\theta) - r^2\cos\varphi}{1+r^2-2r\cos\varphi}.$$

From Lemma 1, we have

$$(1.9) \quad \min_{F(z) \in S(\beta, \varphi)} \operatorname{Re} \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} = \frac{1-r^2+2r(1-\beta)\cos\varphi(r\cos\varphi-1)}{1-r^2}, \quad |z|=r.$$

In (1.8), one is able to choose θ in such a manner that

$$1+2(1-\beta)\cos\varphi \frac{r\cos(\varphi+\theta)-r^2\cos\varphi}{1+r^2-2r\cos\varphi} = \frac{1-r^2+2r(1-\beta)\cos\varphi(r\cos\varphi-1)}{1-r^2}$$

holds. After some transformation, we obtain

$$\theta = 2 \operatorname{arc} \tan \left(\frac{1-r}{1+r} \cot \frac{\varphi}{2} \right).$$

In order to prove the right equality we have, from Lemma 1,

$$(1.10) \quad \max_{F(z) \in S(\beta, \varphi)} \operatorname{Re} \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} = \frac{1-r^2+2r(1-\beta)\cos\varphi(r\cos\varphi+1)}{1-r^2}, \quad |z|=r.$$

Solving the equation

$$1+2(1-\beta)\cos\varphi \frac{r\cos(\varphi+\theta)-r^2\cos\varphi}{1-r^2-2r\cos\varphi} = \frac{1-r^2+2r(1-\beta)\cos\varphi(r\cos\varphi+1)}{1-r^2},$$

$|z|=r$, from which one obtains

$$\theta = 2 \operatorname{arc} \tan \left[\frac{1-r}{1+r} \cot \left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\varphi}{2} \right) \right].$$

LEMMA 3. [5] Let $p(z) \in \mathcal{P}$, $|z|=r < 1$. For each complex number η , $\operatorname{Re} \eta < 0$, we have

$$(1.11) \quad \left| \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)+\eta} \right| \leq \frac{2r}{(1-r)[1+r+(1-r)\operatorname{Re} \eta]}, \quad |z|=r.$$

§ 2. Principal results

THEOREM 1. If $f(z) \in K(\lambda, \alpha, \beta, \varphi)$, the radius of convexity of $f(z)$ is the smallest positive root of the equation

$$(2.1) \quad (1-2\lambda)[2(1-\beta)\cos^2\varphi-1]r^3 - \{1-2(1-\beta)[\cos^2\varphi-(1-2\lambda)\cos\varphi] \\ + 2(1-\lambda)\}r^2 - [1+2(1-\beta)\cos\varphi]r + 1 = 0.$$

The extremal function is of the form

$$(2.2) \quad f_0(z) = \int_0^z \frac{1-z}{(1-ze^{i\theta})^{2(1-\beta)\cos\varphi} e^{i\varphi} [1+z(1-2\lambda)]} dz$$

where $\theta = 2 \arctan\left(\frac{1-r}{1+r} \cot \frac{\varphi}{2}\right)$, $|z| = r < 1$.

Proof. If $f(z) \in K(\lambda, \alpha, \beta, \varphi)$, then for some $F(z) \in S(\beta, \varphi)$, $|\alpha| \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$, $0 \leq \lambda < 1$, we have

$$\operatorname{Re}\left[e^{-i\alpha} \frac{zf'(z)}{F(z)}\right] \geq \lambda \cos \alpha, \quad z \in \mathcal{A}.$$

Hence,

$$(2.3) \quad \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} = e^{i\alpha} [(1-\lambda) \cos \alpha p(z) + \lambda \cos \alpha - i \sin \alpha].$$

Taking logarithm and the derivative with respect to z , we have

$$(2.4) \quad 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} = \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} + \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z) + \eta}, \quad \text{where } \eta = \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda} - i \frac{\tan \alpha}{1-\lambda}.$$

Therefore,

$$(2.5) \quad \operatorname{Re}\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) \geq \min_{F(z) \in S(\beta, \varphi)} \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)}\right) - \max_{P(z) \in P} \left| \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z) + \eta} \right|.$$

But Lemma 2 and Lemma 3 give us that

$$(2.6) \quad \min_{F(z) \in S(\beta, \varphi)} \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)}\right) \geq \frac{1-r^2 + 2r(1-\beta)\cos\varphi(r\cos\varphi - 1)}{1-r^2}, \quad |z| = r < 1$$

$$(2.7) \quad \max_{P(z) \in P} \left| \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z) + \eta} \right| \geq \frac{2r(1-\lambda)}{(1-r)[1+r(1-2\lambda)]} \quad \text{where } \operatorname{Re}\eta = \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda}.$$

Substituting (2.6) and (2.7) into (2.5),

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re}\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) &\geq \\ &\frac{(1-2\lambda)[2(1-\beta)\cos^2\varphi - 1]r^3 - [1-2(1-\beta)\{\cos^2\varphi - (1-2\lambda)\cos\varphi\} + 2(1-\lambda)]r^2}{(1-r^2)[1+r(1-2\lambda)]} \\ &\quad - \frac{[1+2(1-\beta)\cos\varphi]r-1}{(1-r^2)[1+r(1-2\lambda)]}. \end{aligned}$$

If r_0 is the smallest positive root of the equation

$$(2.8) \quad \begin{aligned} (1-2\lambda)[2(1-\beta)\cos^2\varphi - 1]r^3 - [1-2(1-\beta)\{\cos^2\varphi - (1-2\lambda)\cos\varphi\} + 2(1-\lambda)]r^2 \\ - [1+2(1-\beta)\cos\varphi]r + 1 = 0, \end{aligned}$$

$f(z) \in K(\lambda, \alpha, \beta, \varphi)$ are convex for z , $|z| \leq r_0$. To show this result is sharp, it suffices to show that the function

$$(2.10) \quad f_0(z) = \int_0^z \frac{1-z}{(1-ze^{i\theta})^{2(1-\beta)\cos\varphi} p(i\varphi) [1+z(1-2\lambda)]} dz$$

which belongs to the class $K(\lambda, \alpha, \beta, \varphi)$ is not able to be convex in a circle of radius larger than r_0 .

From (2.10), we obtain

$$(2.11) \quad 1 + \frac{zf_0''(z)}{f_0'(z)} = \frac{zF_0'(z)}{F_0(z)} - \frac{zp_0'(z)}{p_0(z) + \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda}}$$

where

$$F_0(z) = \frac{z}{(1-ze^{i\theta})^{2(1-\beta)\cos\varphi} p(i\varphi)} \in S(\beta, \varphi), \quad p_0(z) = \frac{1+z}{1-z}.$$

For $z=r$ with $|z|=r<1$, we have

$$(2.12) \quad \left| \frac{rp_0'(r)}{p_0(r) + \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda}} \right| = \frac{2r(1-\lambda)}{(1-r)[1+r(1-2\lambda)]}.$$

Taking into accounts of the Lemma 2, and of the formulas (2.11), (1.8), (1.9), we obtain for the function $f_0(z)$

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(1 + \frac{rf_0''(r)}{f_0'(r)}\right) = \min_{F(z) \in S(\beta, \varphi)} \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)}\right) - \max_{p(z) \in P} \left| \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z) + \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda}} \right|$$

i. e.,

$$(2.13) \quad \operatorname{Re}\left(1 + \frac{rf_0''(r)}{f_0'(r)}\right) = \frac{1-r^2+2r(1-\beta)\cos\varphi(r\cos\varphi-1)}{1-r^2} - \frac{2r(1-\lambda)}{(1-r)[1+r(1-2\lambda)]}.$$

Consequently, if r_0 is the smallest positive root of the equation (2.1), we have, on the circle $|z|=r_0$,

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(1 + \frac{rf_0''(r)}{f_0'(r)}\right) = 0 \text{ for } r=r_0.$$

Therefore, r_0 is the radius of convexity for $f(z) \in K(\lambda, \alpha, \beta, \varphi)$ which completes the proof of Theorem 1.

THEOREM 2. *If $f(z) \in K(\lambda, \alpha, \beta, \varphi)$, then, for $|z|=r<1$,*

$$(2.14) \quad \frac{(1-r)^{(1-\beta)(1-\cos\varphi)\cos\varphi+1}}{(1+r)^{(1-\beta)(1+\cos\varphi)\cos\varphi} [1+r(1-2\lambda)]} \leq |f'(z)| \leq$$

$$\frac{(1-r)^{-(1-\beta)(1+\cos\varphi)\cos\varphi-1} [1+r(1-2\lambda)]}{(1+r)^{(1-\beta)(1-\cos\varphi)\cos\varphi}}.$$

The equality is attained by the function (2.10).

Proof: Let $f(z) \in K(\lambda, \alpha, \beta, \varphi)$, we can write

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) = 1 + r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \log |f'(z)|, \quad z = re^{i\psi}, \quad 0 \leq \psi \leq 2\pi, \quad 0 \leq r \leq 1,$$

and

$$(2.15) \quad \min_{f(z) \in K(\lambda, \alpha, \beta, \varphi)} \operatorname{Re}\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) \leq \operatorname{Re}\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) \leq \max_{f(z) \in K(\lambda, \alpha, \beta, \varphi)} \operatorname{Re}\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right)$$

In addition, (2.4) is accompanied directly by the inequalities:

$$\min_{f(z) \in K(\lambda, \alpha, \beta, \varphi)} \operatorname{Re}\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) \geq \min_{F(z) \in S(\beta, \varphi)} \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)}\right) - \max_{p(z) \in P} \left| \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z) + \eta} \right|$$

$$\max_{f(z) \in K(\lambda, \alpha, \beta, \varphi)} \operatorname{Re}\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) \leq \max_{F(z) \in S(\beta, \varphi)} \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{zE'(z)}{F(z)}\right) + \max_{p(z) \in P} \left| \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z) + \eta} \right|.$$

Hence, taking into account (2.15), (1.10), (1.11) and (1.12) we obtain

$$2(1-\beta)\cos\varphi \frac{r\cos\varphi-1}{1-r^2} - \frac{2(1-\lambda)}{(1-r)[1+r(1-2\lambda)]} \leq \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \log |f'(z)|$$

$$\leq 2(1-\beta)\cos\varphi \frac{r\cos\varphi+1}{1-r^2} + \frac{2(1-\lambda)}{(1-r)[1+r(1-2\lambda)]}.$$

Integrating in the interval $(0, r)$, we obtain the bound (2.14). The preceding proof shows directly that (2.10) is the extremal function if we take into account respectively,

$$\theta = 2 \operatorname{arc} \tan\left(\frac{1-r}{1+r} \cot \frac{\varphi}{2}\right)$$

and

$$\theta = 2 \operatorname{arc} \tan\left[\frac{1-r}{1+r} \cot\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{\varphi}{2}\right)\right]$$

REMARK. If $\lambda = \beta = 0$, let $f(z) \in K(0, \alpha, 0, \varphi)$, then $f(z)$ is a convex function in $|z| \leq r_0$, where r_0 is the smallest positive root of the equation;

$$(2\cos^2\varphi - 1)r^3 + (2\cos^2\varphi - 2\cos\varphi - 3)r^2 - (1 - 2\cos\varphi)r + 1 = 0.$$

We see that

$$r_0 = \frac{1 + \cos\varphi - \sqrt{1 + 2\cos\varphi + \sin^2\varphi}}{\cos 2\varphi}.$$

In particular, if $\varphi=0$,

$$r_0=2-\sqrt{3}$$

and the extremal function being the Koebe function

$$f_0(z)=\frac{z}{(1+z)^2}.$$

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