

ON STARLIKENESS AND CONVEXITY OF CERTAIN CLASS OF UNIVALENT FUNCTIONS

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In this paper, we show that the radius of convexity for the classes $L(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ and $L^*(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$, and the starlikeness for the classes $L^*(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$.

1. Introduction

Let S denote the class of the functions the form

$$(1.1) \quad f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$$

which are analytic and univalent in the unit disk $U = \{z : |z| < 1\}$. Let T denote the subclass of S , consisting of functions of the form

$$(1.2) \quad f(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |a_n| z^n.$$

Let $D(\beta)$ denote the subclass of S consisting of all functions f satisfying the condition

$$(1.3) \quad \left| \frac{f'(z) - 1}{f'(z) + 1} \right| < \beta \quad (z \in U)$$

for some $\beta (0 < \beta \leq 1)$, $G(\beta)$ denote the subclass of S consisting of all functions f satisfying the condition

$$(1.4) \quad |f'(z) - 1| < \beta \quad (z \in U)$$

for some $\beta (0 < \beta \leq 1)$ and let $P(\alpha)$ denote the subclass of S consisting of all functions f satisfying the condition

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$$(1.5) \quad \operatorname{Re} f'(z) > \alpha \quad (z \in U)$$

for some $\alpha (0 \leq \alpha < 1)$.

The classes $D(\beta)$, $G(\beta)$ and $P(\alpha)$ were studied by Owa[4], Padmanabhan[5] and Singh[6].

Let S^* denote the subclass of S consisting of all functions f satisfying the condition

$$(1.6) \quad \operatorname{Re}(zf'(z)/f(z)) > 0 \quad (z \in U)$$

and let K denote the subclass of S of all functions f satisfying the condition

$$(1.7) \quad \operatorname{Re}(1 + zf''(z)/f'(z)) > 0 \quad (z \in U)$$

Functions in the class S^* are known as starlike functions and functions in the class K are known as convex.

Let $L(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ denote the subclass of S consisting of all functions f satisfying the condition

$$(1.8) \quad \left| \frac{f'(z) - 1}{\alpha f'(z) + (1 - \gamma)} \right| < \beta \quad (z \in U)$$

for some $\alpha (0 \leq \alpha \leq 1)$, $\beta (0 < \beta \leq 1)$ and $\gamma (0 \leq \gamma < 1)$.

Let $L^*(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = L(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \cap T$, $D^*(\beta) = D(\beta) \cap T$, $G^*(\beta) = G(\beta) \cap T$, $P^*(\alpha) = P(\alpha) \cap T$ and $T^* = S^* \cap T$.

The class $L(1, \beta, 0)$ when $\alpha=1$, $\gamma=0$ was studied by Padmanabhan [5], the class $L(0, \beta, 0)$ when $\alpha=0$, $\gamma=0$ was studied by MacGregor[2] and Singh[10], $L^*(0, 1, 0)$ when $\alpha=0$, $\beta=1$, $\gamma=0$ was studied by Silverman[9].

In this paper, we show that the radius of convexity for $L(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ and $L^*(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ and the starlikeness of the class $L^*(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$.

2. Convexity

We begin with the statement of the following result due to Kim and Lee[1].

LEMMA 2.1. *A function $f(z)$ defined by (1.1) is in the class $L(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ if and only if*

$$(2.1) \quad f'(z) = \frac{1 + (1 - \gamma)z\Phi(z)}{1 - \alpha z\Phi(z)} \quad (z \in U)$$

where $\Phi(z)$ is analytic, $|\Phi(z)| \leq \beta$ for some $\alpha(0 \leq \alpha \leq 1)$, $\beta(0 < \beta \leq 1)$ and $\gamma(0 \leq \gamma < 1)$.

From Lemma 2.1, we have

THEOREM 2.2. *If a function $f(z)$ is in the class $L(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$, then $f(z)$ is convex in $|z| < r$, where*

$$(2.2) \quad r = \frac{B - \sqrt{B^2 - 4\alpha\beta}}{2\alpha\beta}, \quad B = 2 + \alpha - \gamma + \alpha\beta \quad (\alpha \neq 0)$$

$$(2.3) \quad r = 1/(2 - \gamma) \quad (\alpha = 0)$$

Proof. We note that $f(z)$ is in the class $L(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ if and only if

$$(2.4) \quad f'(z) = \frac{1 + (1 - \gamma)z\Phi(z)}{1 - \alpha z\Phi(z)} \quad (z \in U),$$

where $\Phi(z)$ is analytic and $|\Phi(z)| \leq \beta$. Now it is well known that

$$(2.5) \quad |h'(z)| \leq \frac{1 - |h(z)|^2}{1 - |z|^2}$$

for any analytic function $h(z)$, $|h(z)| < 1$, in the unit disk U (cf. [3, pp.168]). Thus

$$(2.6) \quad |\Phi'(z)| \leq \frac{\beta^2 - |\Phi(z)|^2}{\beta(1 - |z|^2)}.$$

Accordingly, we have that

$$(2.7) \quad \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| = \left| \frac{(\alpha + 1 - \gamma)z(\Phi(z) + z\Phi'(z))}{(1 + (1 - \gamma)z\Phi(z))(1 - \alpha z\Phi(z))} \right| \\ \leq \frac{(\alpha + 1 - \gamma)|z|(\beta|z| + |\Phi(z)|)(\beta - |z\Phi(z)|)}{\beta(1 - |z|^2)(1 - (1 - \gamma)|z\Phi(z)|)(1 - \alpha|z\Phi(z)|)} \\ \leq \frac{(\alpha + 1 - \gamma)|z|}{(1 - |z|)(1 - \alpha\beta|z|)}$$

The function $f(z)$ will be convex if

$$(2.8) \quad \alpha\beta|z|^2 - (2 + \alpha - \gamma + \alpha\beta)|z| + 1 > 0.$$

Case 1. $\alpha \neq 0$. (2.8) is true for

$$(2.9) \quad |z| < \frac{B - \sqrt{B^2 - 4\alpha\beta}}{2\alpha\beta}, \quad B = 2 + \alpha - \gamma + \alpha\beta. \quad (\alpha \neq 0)$$

Case 2. $\alpha=0$. (2.8) is true for

$$(2.10) \quad |z| < 1/(2-\gamma)$$

Clearly, $G(\beta)=L(0, \beta, 0)$ and $D(\beta)=L(1, \beta, 0)$. As a special case of Theorem 2.2, we get the result in [2]. Putting $\alpha=0$, $\gamma=0$ in Theorem 2.2, we have

COROLLARY 2.3. *If a function $f(z)$ defined by (1.1) is in the class $G(\beta)$ then $f(z)$ is convex in $|z| < 1/2$.*

Putting $\alpha=1$, $\beta=0$ in Theorem 2.2, we have

COROLLARY 2.4. *If a function $f(z)$ defined by (1.1) is in the class $D(\beta)$ then $f(z)$ is convex in $|z| < 1/(3+\beta - \sqrt{9+2\beta+\beta^2})/2\beta$.*

LEMMA 2.5. *A function $f(z)$ defined by (1.2) is in the class $L^*(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ if and only if*

$$(2.11) \quad \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (1+\alpha\beta)n|a_n| \leq \beta(\alpha+1-\gamma).$$

The above result due to Kim and Lee [1]. From Lemma 2.5, we have

THEOREM 2.6. *If a function $f(z)$ defined by (1.2) is in the class $L^*(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$, then $f(z)$ is convex in $|z| < r$, where*

$$(2.12) \quad r = \inf_{n \geq 2} \left\{ \frac{1+\alpha\beta}{n\beta(\alpha+1-\gamma)} \right\}^{1/(n-1)}.$$

Proof. We note that

$$(2.13) \quad \left| z \frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \leq \frac{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1)|a_n||z|^{n-1}}{1 - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n|a_n||z|^{n-1}}.$$

The function $f(z)$ will be convex if

$$(2.14) \quad \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n^2|a_n||z|^{n-1} < 1.$$

Accordingly to Lemma 2.5, $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (1+\alpha\beta)n|a_n|/\beta(\alpha+1-\gamma) < 1$.

Hence (2.14) will be true if

$$(2.15) \quad n|z|^{n-1} < \frac{1+\alpha\beta}{\beta(\alpha+1-\gamma)} \quad (n=2, 3, \dots).$$

Solving (2.15) for $|z|$, we obtain

$$(2.16) \quad |z| < \left\{ \frac{1+\alpha\beta}{n\beta(\alpha+1-\gamma)} \right\}^{1/(n-1)} \quad (n=2, 3, \dots).$$

Setting $r = \inf_{n \geq 2} \left\{ \frac{1+\alpha\beta}{n\beta(\alpha+1-\gamma)} \right\}^{1/(n-1)}$, the result follows.

Putting $\alpha=0$, $\gamma=0$ or $\alpha=1$, $\gamma=0$, we have

COROLLARY 2.7. *If a function $f(z)$ defined by (1.2) is in the class $G^*(\beta)$ ($D^*(\beta)$ respectively), then $f(z)$ is convex in $|z| < r$, where*

$$(2.17) \quad r = \inf_{n \geq 2} \left\{ \frac{1}{n\beta} \right\}^{1/(n-1)} \left(r = \inf_{n \geq 2} \left\{ \frac{1+\beta}{2n\beta} \right\}^{1/(n-1)}, \text{ respectively} \right)$$

for $(0 < \beta \leq 1)$.

In [1], Kim and Lee proved that $T = L^*(0, 1, 0)$ and $P^*(\alpha) = L^*\left(\alpha, \frac{1-\alpha}{1+\alpha^2}, 0\right)$ for $\alpha(0 \leq \alpha < 1)$. From these facts, we have the following corollaries

COROLLARY 2.8. *If a function $f(z)$ defined by (1.2) is in the class T , then $f(z)$ is convex in $|z| < r = 1/2$.*

The above result is the case $\alpha=0$ in Theorem 8 in [9].

COROLLARY 2.9. *If a function $f(z)$ defined by (1.2) is in the class $P^*(\alpha)$ ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$), then $f(z)$ is convex in $|z| < r$, where*

$$r = \inf_{n \geq 2} (1/n(1-\alpha))^{1/(n-1)}.$$

3. Starlikeness

We begin with the statement of the following result due to Silverman [9] also due to Singh[10].

LEMMA 3.1. *A function $f(z)$ defined by (1.2) is in the class $T^*(\delta)$ if and only if*

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n-\delta) |a_n| \leq 1-\delta. \quad (0 \leq \delta < 1)$$

From Lemma 2.5 and Lemma 3.1, we have

THEOREM 3.2. *If a function $f(z)$ defined by (1.2) is in the class $L^*(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$, then $f(z)$ is in $T^*(\delta)$, where $\delta = (1 + \beta\gamma - \beta)/(1 + \alpha\beta)$.*

Proof. From Lemma 2.5, we note that

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n |a_n| \leq \frac{\beta(\alpha+1-\gamma)}{1+\alpha\beta}$$

and from Lemma 3.1, we get

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n-\alpha) |a_n| \leq 1-\delta.$$

Hence $f(z)$ is in the class $T^*(\delta)$ for $\delta \leq (1 + \beta\gamma - \beta)/(1 + \alpha\beta)$.

COROLLARY 3.3. *If a function $f(z)$ defined by (1.2) is in the class $P^*(\alpha)$, then $f(z)$ is in $T^*(\alpha)$.*

Proof. Assume that $f(z) \in P^*(\alpha) = L^*\left(\alpha, \frac{1-\alpha}{1+\alpha^2}, 0\right)$. By Theorem 3.2, we have

$$f(z) \in T^*\left(\frac{1+\beta\gamma-\beta}{1+\alpha\beta}\right) = T^*\left(\frac{1-\frac{1-\alpha}{1+\alpha^2}}{1+\alpha\frac{1-\alpha}{1+\alpha^2}}\right) = T^*(\alpha).$$

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