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### On Properties of Certain Subclasses of Close-to-Convex Functions

O własnościach pewnych podklas funkcji prawie wypukłych

Об свойствах некоторых подклассов почти выпуклых функций

**1. Introduction.** In this paper we consider the following class of functions introduced by Sakaguchi [7].

Let the function  $f(z)$  be analytic in  $E(|z| < 1)$ , with the normalization  $f(0) = 0 = f'(0) - 1$ . Then  $f(z)$  is said to be starlike w.r.t. symmetric points in  $|z| < 1$  if

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z) - f(-z)} \right) > 0 \quad \text{for } |z| < 1 \quad (1.1)$$

i.e. the line segment  $(f(z) - f(-z))$  turns continuously in one direction as  $z$  traverses each circle  $|z| = r < 1$ .

The class of such functions can be denoted by  $S_s^*$ . Obviously, it forms a subclass of close-to-convex functions and hence the functions there in are univalent [3]. Moreover, this class includes the class of convex functions and odd starlike functions w.r.t. the origin [5].

Złotkiewicz [9] considered a class  $G$  of normalized analytic functions in  $E$ , satisfying (1.1), where the function  $(f(z) - f(-z))/2$  is replaced by an odd starlike function  $\psi(z)$  in  $E$  and proved the following sharp distortion theorems for the class  $G$ :

If  $f(z) \in G$ , then for  $|z| = r < 1$

$$(1+r)^{-2} \leq |f'(z)| \leq (1-r)^{-2} \quad (1.2)$$

$$r(1+r)^{-1} \leq |f(z)| \leq r(1-r)^{-1} \quad (1.3)$$

It is also known that  $f(z) = \log \left( \frac{1+z}{\sqrt{1+z^2}} \right) \in G$ .

For  $z = r$ ,  $|f(z)| = \log \left( \frac{1+r}{\sqrt{1+r^2}} \right)$ .

By simple calculations, one can see that

$$\log \left( \frac{1+r}{\sqrt{1+r^2}} \right) < \frac{r}{1+r}, \text{ which contradicts (1.3).}$$

In this direction, we prove sharp distortion theorems for the subclass  $S_s^*$  of  $G$  in Section 4.

The inspiring properties [2, 6, 7] of the functions of the class  $S_s^*$  lead us to define the order for such functions. By  $S_s^*(a)$ , we denote the class of functions  $f(z) \in S_s^*$ , having the additional property

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)-f(-z)} \right) > a \text{ for } |z| < 1, 0 \leq a < 1/2 \tag{1.4}$$

Here, of course,  $a$  is referred to as the order of starlike functions  $f(z)$  w.r.t. symmetric points in  $|z| < 1$  and identify  $S_s^*(0) = S_s^*$ . We first determine the sharp r.c. for the class  $S_s^*(a)$ . It is interesting to observe the following:

**Remark 1.** If  $f(z) \in S_s^*(a)$ ,  $0 \leq a < 1/2$ , then the odd function  $\psi(z)$  defined by

$$\psi(z) = (f(z) - f(-z))/2 \tag{1.5}$$

belongs to the class  $S^*(2a)$  of starlike functions w.r.t. origin of order  $2a$  and moreover,  $\psi(z) \in S_s^*(a)$ .

2. We need the following lemmas:

**Lemma A** (Singh & Bajpai). *Let*

$$H(z) = \frac{a}{1+z\varphi(z)} - \frac{1}{1+bz\varphi(z)} - \frac{(1-b)z^2\varphi'(z)}{(1+z\varphi(z))(1+bz\varphi(z))} \tag{2.1}$$

where  $\varphi(z)$  is analytic and  $|\varphi(z)| \leq 1$  in  $|z| < 1$ ,  $-1 \leq b < 1$  and  $a \geq 1$ . Then for  $|z| = r$ ,  $0 \leq r < 1$ ,

$$\operatorname{Re}(H(z)) \leq \frac{(1-a) + (1-ab)r}{(1-r)(1-br)} \tag{2.2}$$

$$\operatorname{Re}(H(z)) \geq \begin{cases} \frac{(a-1) + (ab-1)r}{(1+r)(1+br)} & \text{for } u_0 \leq u_1 \\ -\frac{(1+ab+2b)(1-r^2) + 2(1-b)}{(1-b)(1-r^2)} + \\ + \frac{2}{1-b} \left( \frac{(1+a)(1+b)(1-br^2)}{(1-r^2)} \right)^{1/2} & \text{for } u_0 \geq u_1 \end{cases} \tag{2.3}$$

where  $u_0 = \frac{1}{1-b} \left( \left( \frac{(1+b)(1-br^2)}{(1+a)(1-r^2)} \right)^{1/2} - b \right)$  and  $u_1 = \frac{1}{1+r}$ .

**Lemma 1.** Let  $a$  satisfy  $0 \leq a < 1/2$  and  $r(a)$  denote the smallest positive root of the equation, which is unique in  $(2-\sqrt{3}, 1]$ ,

$$(1-4a)r^3 - 3(1-4a)r^2 + 3r - 1 = 0 \tag{2.4}$$

If  $f(z) \in S_a^*(a)$ , then for  $|z| = r$ ,  $0 \leq r < 1$  we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) \leq \frac{1 + (3-8a)r + (3-8a)r^2 + (4a-1)^2r^3}{(1-r^2)(1-(4a-1)r)} \tag{2.5}$$

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) \geq \frac{1 - 2(1-4a)r - 2(1-4a)r^2 - 2(1-8a^2)r^3 + (1-4a)r^4}{(1+r)(1+r^2)(1+(4a-1)r)} \tag{2.6}$$

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) \geq \begin{cases} \frac{1 - 2(1-4a)r - 2(1-4a)r^2 - 2(1-8a^2)r^3 + (1-4a)r^4}{(1+r)(1+r^2)(1+(4a-1)r)} & \text{for } 0 \leq r \leq r(a) \\ \frac{1 + (4a-1)r^2}{1+r^2} + \frac{1}{1-2a} ((8aA)^{1/2} - 2a - A) & \text{for } r(a) \leq r < 1 \end{cases}$$

where  $A = \frac{1 + (1-4a)r^2}{1+r^2}$ .

The extremal function is of the form

$$f(z) = \int_0^z \frac{1 + (4a-1)t}{(1+t)(1+t^2)^{1-2a}} dt \quad \text{when } 0 \leq r \leq r(a) \tag{2.7}$$

and, is otherwise of the form

$$f(z) = \int_0^z \frac{1 - 4bat + (4a-1)t^2}{(1-2bt+t^2)(1+t^2)^{1-2a}} dt \tag{2.8}$$

where  $b$  is determined from

$$\frac{1 - 4bar_0 + (4a-1)r_0^2}{(1-2br_0+r_0^2)} = (2aA)^{1/2} \equiv R_0 \tag{2.9}$$

and  $r_0 = \frac{1}{1-2a} ((8aA)^{1/2} - 2a - A)$ .

**Proof.** Since  $f(z) \in S_a^*(a)$ , we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z) - f(-z)} \right) > a, \quad |z| < 1, \quad 0 \leq a < 1/2.$$

Consequently,

$$\frac{2zf'(z)}{f(z) - f(-z)} = \frac{1 + (4a - 1)z\varphi(z)}{1 + z\varphi(z)} \tag{2.10}$$

where  $\varphi(z)$  satisfies Schwarz's lemma.

Logarithmic differentiation and simplification yield

$$1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} = \frac{z\psi'(z)}{\psi(z)} + \frac{1}{1 + z\varphi(z)} - \frac{1}{(1 + (4a - 1)z\varphi(z))} - \frac{2(1 - a)z^2\varphi'(z)}{(1 + z\varphi(z))(1 + (4a - 1)z\varphi(z))} \tag{2.11}$$

where  $\psi(z) = \frac{1}{2}(f(z) - f(-z)) \in \mathcal{S}^*(2a)$ .

Also,

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{z\psi'(z)}{\psi(z)}\right) \geq \frac{1 + (4a - 1)r^2}{1 + r^2} \tag{2.12}$$

Now using (2.12) and Lemma A with  $a = 1, b = 4a - 1 < 1$  in (2.11), we have finally

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) \geq \begin{cases} \frac{1 - 2(1 - 4a)r - 2(1 - 4a)r^2 - 2(1 - 8a^2)r^3 + (1 - 4a)^2r^4}{(1 + r)(1 + r^2)(1 + (4a - 1)r)} & \text{for } u_0 \leq u_1 \\ \frac{1 + (4a - 1)r^2}{1 + r^2} + \frac{1}{1 - 2a}(\sqrt{8aA} - 2a - A) & \text{for } u_0 \geq u_1 \end{cases} \tag{2.13}$$

where  $u_0 = \frac{1}{2(1 - 2a)}((2aA)^{1/2} + (1 - 4a))$  and  $u_1 = \frac{1}{1 + r}$ .

The two inequalities of (2.13) become equal for such values of  $a$ , for which  $u_0 = u_1$

i.e. 
$$\left(\frac{1 - (1 - 4a)r}{1 + r}\right)^2 = \frac{2a(1 + (1 - 4a)r^2)}{1 - r}$$

i.e. 
$$g(a, r) \equiv (1 - 4a)r^3 - 3(1 - 4a)r^2 + 3r - 1 = 0$$

$g(a, r)$  is a strictly increasing function of  $r, 0 \leq r < 1$ , for each  $a, 0 \leq a < 1/2$

$$g(a, 2 - \sqrt{3}) = 2(1 - 2a)(5 - 3\sqrt{3}) < 0$$

$$g(a, 1) = 8a \geq 0.$$

Thus  $g(a, r)$  has a unique root  $r(a)$  in  $(2 - \sqrt{3}, 1]$ . The proof is now complete.

**3. Radius of Convexity for the class  $S_2^*(a)$**

**Theorem 1.** Let  $f(z) \in S_2^*(a)$ ,  $0 \leq a < 1/2$  and  $r(a)$  the root, unique in  $(2 - \sqrt{3}, 1]$  of the equation (2.3). Then  $f(z)$  is convex of order  $\beta$ ,  $0 \leq \beta < 1$  for  $|z| < r_0$ , where  $r_0$  is the smallest positive root of the equation

$$(1 - \beta) - 2(1 - 4a + 2a\beta)r - 2(1 - 4a + 2a\beta)r^2 - 2(1 - 8a^2 + 2a\beta)r^3 + (1 - 4a)(1 - 4a + \beta)r^4 = 0 \quad (3.1)$$

if  $0 \leq r_0 \leq r(a)$   
and, of the equation

$$(1 - 2a)(1 + (4a - 1)r^2) + (1 + r^2)(\sqrt{8aA} - 2a - A - \beta(1 - 2a)) = 0 \quad (3.2)$$

if  $r(a) \leq r_0 < 1$

$$\text{where } A = \frac{1 + (1 - 4a)r^2}{1 - r^2}.$$

This result is sharp.

**Proof.** Since  $f(z) \in S_2^*(a)$ , we see from Lemma 1 that

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{Re} \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - \beta \right) \\ & \geq \frac{1 - 2(1 - 4a)r - 2(1 - 4a)r^2 - 2(1 - 8a^2)r^3 + (1 - 4a)^2r^4}{(1 + r)(1 + r^2)(1 + (4a - 1)r)} - \beta \\ & = \frac{(1 - \beta) - 2(1 - 4a + 2a\beta)r - 2(1 - 4a + 2a\beta)r^2 - 2(1 - 8a^2 + 2a\beta)r^3 + (1 - 4a)(1 - 4a + \beta)r^4}{(1 + r)(1 + r^2)(1 + (4a - 1)r)} \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

if  $0 \leq r \leq r(a)$ , and

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - \beta \right) \geq \frac{1 + (4a - 1)r^2}{1 + r^2} + \frac{1}{1 - 2a} (\sqrt{8aA} - 2a - A - \beta(1 - 2a)) \quad (3.4)$$

Therefore,  $\operatorname{Re} \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - \beta \right) \geq 0$  if

$$(1 - \beta) - 2(1 - 4a + 2a\beta)r - 2(1 - 4a + 2a\beta)r^2 - 2(1 - 8a^2 + 2a\beta)r^3 + (1 - 4a)(1 - 4a\beta + \beta)r^4 \geq 0 \quad (3.5)$$

and

$$(1 - 2a)(1 + (4a - 1)r^2) + (1 + r^2)(\sqrt{8aA} - 2a - A - \beta(1 - 2a)) \geq 0 \quad (3.6)$$

(3.5) is valid only when  $0 \leq r \leq r_0 \leq r(a)$  and (3.6) is valid only when  $r(a) \leq r \leq r_0 < 1$ .

The equality sign in (3.3) is attained for the function given by (2.7) and that in (3.4) for the function determined by (2.8) and (2.9). By taking  $\alpha = \beta = 0$  in the theorem above, we arrive at the following: —

**Corollary 1.** *If  $f(z) \in S_s^*(0)$ , then  $f(z)$  is convex in  $|z| < r_0$ , where  $r_0 = \frac{1}{2}((1 + \sqrt{5}) - \sqrt{2(1 + \sqrt{5})})$ . The function  $f(z) = \log\left(\frac{1+z}{\sqrt{1+z^2}}\right)$  shows that this value is best possible.*

The above Corollary can be compared with the corresponding result of Zlotkiewicz [9].

**Remark 2.** We can replace the condition (1.4) by

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{zf'(z)}{\varphi(z)}\right) > \alpha, \quad |z| < 1, \quad 0 \leq \alpha < 1 \quad (3.7)$$

where  $\varphi(z)$  is an odd starlike function of order  $\beta$ ,  $0 \leq \beta < 1$  there and then apply Lemma A to determine the r.c. as usual. We recall that the sharp r.c. for the class of close-to-convex functions of order  $\alpha$  and type  $\beta$  [4] has been recently found out by Silverman [8], as an application of a theorem of Zmorovič [10]. But, Lemma A helps us to look into similar type of problem with a different angle and to have simple and shorter proofs.

4. The following **distortion theorems** can be obtained for the class  $S_s^*(\alpha)$ .

**Theorem 2.** *If  $f(z) \in S_s^*(\alpha)$ ,  $0 \leq \alpha < 1/2$ , then for  $|z| = r$ ,  $0 \leq r < 1$ , we have*

$$(A) \quad \frac{1 + (4\alpha - 1)r}{(1+r)(1+r^2)^{1-2\alpha}} \leq |f'(z)| \leq \frac{1 - (4\alpha - 1)r}{(1-r)(1-r^2)^{1-2\alpha}} \quad (4.1)$$

$$(B) \quad \int_0^r \frac{1 + (4\alpha - 1)t}{(1+t)(1+t^2)^{1-2\alpha}} dt \leq |f(z)| \leq \int_0^r \frac{1 - (4\alpha - 1)t}{(1-t)(1-t^2)^{1-2\alpha}} dt \quad (4.2)$$

The extremal function corresponding to the left and right side inequalities are attained respectively for

$$f(z) = \int_0^z \frac{1 + (4\alpha - 1)t}{(1+t)(1+t^2)^{1-2\alpha}} dt \quad (4.3)$$

$$f(z) = \int_0^z \frac{1 - (4\alpha - 1)t}{(1-t)(1-t^2)^{1-2\alpha}} dt \quad (4.4)$$

**Corollary 1.** *If  $f(z) \in S_a^*(0)$ , then for  $|z| = r, 0 < r < 1$*

$$(A) \quad \frac{1-r}{(1+r)(1+r^2)} \leq |f'(z)| \leq \frac{1}{(1-r)^2} \quad (4.5)$$

$$(B) \quad \log \frac{1+r}{\sqrt{1+r^2}} \leq |f(z)| \leq \frac{r}{1-r} \quad (4.6)$$

*The equality sign in left and right hand inequalities respectively are attained for the functions*

$$f(z) = \log \frac{1+z}{\sqrt{1+z^2}} \quad (4.7)$$

$$f(z) = \frac{z}{1-z}. \quad (4.8)$$

**Corollary 2.** *The disc  $|\omega| < \frac{1}{2} \log 2$  is always covered by the map of  $|z| < 1$  of any function  $\omega = f(z)$  belonging to  $S_a^*(0)$ . The result is sharp i.e. the constant  $\frac{1}{2} \log 2$  cannot be replaced by any larger number, as the extremal function (4.7) shows. This Corollary can be expressed as “ $\frac{1}{2} \log 2$  – Theorem”.*

**Proof.** We demonstrate that the proof of (4.1) is an easy consequence of the following aspects:

(i)  $f(z) \in S_a^*(\alpha)$  implies that  $\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{2zf'(z)}{f(z)-f(-z)} \right) > 2\alpha, |z| < 1, 0 \leq \alpha < 1/2$  and the function  $\varphi(z) = \frac{1}{2}(f(z)-f(-z)) \in S^*(2\alpha)$ .

(ii) The sharp bounds for  $|\varphi(z)|$ , where  $\varphi(z)$  is an odd starlike function of order  $2\alpha, 0 \leq \alpha < 1/2$ , as follows:

$$\frac{r}{(1+r^2)^{1-2\alpha}} \leq |\varphi(z)| \leq \frac{r}{(1-r^2)^{1-2\alpha}}; |z| = r, 0 < r < 1$$

(iii) If  $p(z)$  is an analytic function in  $|z| < 1$ , with  $p(0) = 1$ , that satisfies  $\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 2\alpha$  there, then the domain of values of  $p(z)$  is the circle with the line segment from  $\frac{1+(4\alpha-1)|z|}{1+|z|}$  to  $\frac{1-(4\alpha-1)|z|}{1-|z|}$  as a diameter ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1/2$ ).

The other parts follow in the usual manner.

We note that the Corollary 1 can also be obtained from (2.5) and (2.6) on using classical approach.

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## STRESZCZENIE

W pracy tej wyznaczono dokładną wartość promienia wypukłości oraz podano twierdzenia o zniekształceniu dla funkcji gwiazdzystych względem punktów symetrycznych rzędu  $\alpha$ , które stanowią podklasę funkcji prawie wypukłych.

## РЕЗЮМЕ

В этой работе получено точную оценку радиуса выпуклости а также теоремы об искажении для звездообразных функций относительно симметрических точек порядка  $\alpha$ , которые являются подклассом почти выпуклых функций.