

On a strongly starlikeness criteria

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Abstract

H. Silverman [Internat. J. Math. Math. Sci. 22(1999), 75-79] investigated and obtained some results for the properties of functions defined in terms of the quotient of the analytic representations of convex and starlike functions. In this paper, we obtain a sufficient condition of functions for strongly starlikeness of order β .

1 Introduction

Let \mathcal{S} denote the class of functions $f(z)$ normalized by $f(0) = f'(0) - 1 = 0$ that are analytic and univalent in the open unit disk $\mathbb{U} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$. A function $f(z) \in \mathcal{S}$ is said to be starlike of order α if and only if

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} > \alpha$$

for some α ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$), and for all $z \in \mathbb{U}$. The class of starlike functions of order α is denoted by $\mathcal{S}^*(\alpha)$. Further, a function $f(z) \in \mathcal{S}$ is said to be convex of order α if and only if

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} > \alpha$$

for some α ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$), and for all $z \in \mathbb{U}$. Also we denote by $\mathcal{C}(\alpha)$ the subclass of \mathcal{S} consisting of all convex functions of order α in \mathbb{U} .

On the other hand, a function $f(z)$ in \mathcal{S} is said to be strongly starlike of order β if it satisfies

$$\left| \arg \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} \right| < \frac{\pi}{2}\beta$$

for some β ($0 < \beta \leq 1$), and for all $z \in \mathbb{U}$. We say that $f(z) \in \mathcal{SS}^*(\beta)$ if $f(z)$ is strongly starlike of order β in \mathbb{U} .

Silverman [2] investigated the properties of functions defined in terms of the quotient of the analytic representations of convex and starlike functions. Let \mathcal{G}_b be the subclass of \mathcal{S} consisting of functions $f(z) \in \mathcal{S}$ which satisfy

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

for some real b .

For this class \mathcal{G}_b , Silverman obtained the following result.

Theorem A ([2]). *If $0 < b \leq 1$, then*

$$\mathcal{G}_b \subset \mathcal{S}^* \left(\frac{2}{1 + \sqrt{1 + 8b}} \right).$$

The result is sharp for all b .

In this paper, we consider the strongly starlikeness for functions $f(z)$ belonging to \mathcal{G}_b .

2 Strongly starlikeness

To discuss the strongly starlikeness of functions $f(z)$ in \mathcal{G}_b , we have to recall here the following result by Nunokawa [1].

Lemma. *Let $p(z)$ be analytic in \mathbb{U} with $p(0) = 1$ and $p(z) \neq 0$ ($z \in \mathbb{U}$). Suppose that there exists a point $z_0 \in \mathbb{U}$ such that*

$$|\arg(p(z))| < \frac{\pi}{2}\beta \quad (|z| < |z_0|)$$

and

$$|\arg(p(z_0))| = \frac{\pi}{2}\beta,$$

where $\beta > 0$. Then we have

$$\frac{z_0 p'(z_0)}{p(z_0)} = iK\beta,$$

where

$$K \geq \frac{1}{2} \left(a + \frac{1}{a} \right) \quad \text{when} \quad \arg(p(z_0)) = \frac{\pi}{2}\beta$$

and

$$K \leq -\frac{1}{2} \left(a + \frac{1}{a} \right) \quad \text{when} \quad \arg(p(z_0)) = -\frac{\pi}{2}\beta,$$

where $p(z_0)^{\frac{1}{\beta}} = \pm ia$ and $a > 0$.

Our main result is contained in

Theorem 1. *If $f(z)$ belongs to the class $\mathcal{G}_{b(\beta)}$ with*

$$b(\beta) = \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{(1-\beta)^{1-\beta}(1+\beta)^{1+\beta}}} \quad (0 < \beta \leq 1),$$

then $f(z) \in \mathcal{SS}^*(\beta)$.

Proof. Let us define the function $p(z)$ by

$$p(z) = \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}.$$

Then it follows that

$$\frac{1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}}{\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}} - 1 = \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)^2}.$$

If there exists a point $z_0 \in \mathcal{U}$ such that

$$|\arg(p(z))| < \frac{\pi}{2}\beta \quad \text{for } |z| < |z_0|$$

and

$$|\arg(p(z_0))| = \frac{\pi}{2}\beta,$$

then, applying Lemma, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{z_0 p'(z_0)}{p(z_0)^2} \right| &= \left| iK\beta \frac{1}{(\pm ia)^\beta} \right| = \beta |K| a^{-\beta} \\ &\geq \frac{\beta}{2} \left(a^{1-\beta} + \frac{1}{a^{1+\beta}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Define the function $g(a)$ by

$$g(a) = a^{1-\beta} + \frac{1}{a^{1+\beta}} \quad (a > 0; 0 < \beta \leq 1).$$

Since

$$g'(a) = \frac{1}{a^{2+\beta}} ((1-\beta)a^2 - (1+\beta)),$$

$g(a)$ takes its minimum value at $a = \sqrt{\frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta}}$. This implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{z_0 p'(z_0)}{p(z_0)^2} \right| &\geq \frac{\beta}{2} g \left(\sqrt{\frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta}} \right) \\ &= \frac{\beta}{2} \left\{ \left(\frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta} \right)^{\frac{1-\beta}{2}} + \left(\frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta} \right)^{\frac{1+\beta}{2}} \right\} \\ &= \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{(1-\beta)^{1-\beta} (1+\beta)^{1+\beta}}}, \end{aligned}$$

which contradicts our condition $f(z) \in \mathcal{G}_{b(\beta)}$ of the theorem. Thus we complete the proof of the theorem.

Considering the case of $\beta = 1$ in the proof of Theorem 1, we have

Corollary 1. *If $f(z) \in \mathcal{G}_b$ with $b = \frac{1}{2}$, then $f(z) \in SS^*(1)$, or $f(z)$ is strongly starlike in \mathbb{U} .*

Taking $\beta = \frac{1}{2}$ in Theorem 1, we have

Corollary 2. *If $f(z) \in \mathcal{G}_b$ with $b = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}\sqrt{3}} = 0.438691\dots$, then $f(z) \in SS^*(\frac{1}{2})$.*

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