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## STARLIKENESS CRITERIA FOR ODD SYMMETRIC ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS

*Abstract.* We investigate some starlikeness conditions for odd symmetric analytic functions defined in the unit disc.

**1. Introduction.** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  denote the class of functions  $f(z)$  normalized by

$$(1.1) \quad f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k,$$

which are analytic in the open unit disc  $E = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ .

In [4], Sakaguchi defined the class of starlike functions with respect to symmetrical points as follows:

Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ . Then  $f$  is said to be *starlike with respect to symmetrical points* in  $E$  if

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z) - f(-z)} > 0, \quad z \in E.$$

Obviously, such functions form a subclass of close-to-convex functions and hence are univalent. Moreover, this class includes the class of convex functions and odd starlike functions with respect to the origin (see [4]).

We denote by  $S_s(\alpha)$  the class of univalent starlike functions with respect to symmetrical points of order  $\alpha$ ; that is,  $f \in S_s(\alpha)$  if and only if

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{2zf'(z)}{f(z) - f(-z)} > \alpha$$

for some  $\alpha$ ,  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ . This class was first defined by Das and Singh [1] (see also [2]).

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Similarly a function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  is said to be *starlike of order  $\alpha$*  ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ) in  $E$  if

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} > \alpha, \quad z \in E,$$

we denote by  $S^*(\alpha)$  the class of all such functions.

LEMMA 1.1 (Jack [3]). *Suppose  $w(z)$  is a nonconstant analytic function in  $E$  with  $w(0) = 0$ . If  $|w(z)|$  attains its maximum value at a point  $z_0 \in E$  on the circle  $|z| = r < 1$ , then*

$$z_0 w'(z_0) = kw(z_0),$$

where  $k \geq 1$  is some real number.

### 2. Main results

THEOREM 2.1. *Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  and suppose that*

$$(2.1) \quad \phi(z) = \frac{f(z) - f(-z)}{2}$$

*is an odd function. If*

$$(2.2) \quad \left| \frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)} - 1 \right|^\gamma \left| \frac{z\phi''(z)}{\phi'(z)} \right|^\beta < \Psi(\alpha, \beta, \gamma), \quad z \in E,$$

*for some real numbers  $\alpha, \beta$  and  $\gamma$  such that  $0 \leq \alpha < 1, \beta \geq 0, \gamma \geq 0$ , and  $\beta + \gamma > 0$ , where*

$$\Psi(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = \begin{cases} (1 - \alpha)^\gamma (3/2 - \alpha)^\beta, & 0 \leq \alpha < 1/2, \\ (1 - \alpha)^{\beta + \gamma} 2^\beta, & 1/2 \leq \alpha < 1, \end{cases}$$

*then  $\phi \in S^*(\alpha)$ .*

*Proof.* CASE (i). Let  $0 \leq \alpha < 1/2$ . Differentiating (2.1) logarithmically, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)} &= \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z) - f(-z)} + \frac{zf'(-z)}{f(z) - f(-z)} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}[p_1(z) + p_2(z)], \quad p_1(z), p_2(z) \in \mathcal{P}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathcal{P}$  is the well known class of functions with positive real part.

Set

$$(2.3) \quad \frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)} = \frac{1 + (1 - 2\alpha)w(z)}{1 - w(z)}, \quad z \in E.$$

We note that  $w$  is analytic in  $E, w(0) = 0$  and  $w(z) \neq 1$  in  $E$ . Taking the logarithmic derivative of (2.3), we have

$$1 + \frac{z\phi''(z)}{\phi'(z)} - \frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)} = \frac{(1-2\alpha)zw'(z)}{1+(1-2\alpha)w(z)} + \frac{zw'(z)}{1-w(z)},$$

$$1 + \frac{z\phi''(z)}{\phi'(z)} = \frac{1+(1-2\alpha)w(z)}{1-w(z)} + \frac{2(1-\alpha)zw'(z)}{[1+(1-2\alpha)w(z)](1-w(z))}.$$

This implies that

$$\frac{z\phi''(z)}{\phi'(z)} = \frac{2(1-\alpha)w(z)}{1-w(z)} + \frac{2(1-\alpha)zw'(z)}{[1+(1-2\alpha)w(z)](1-w(z))}$$

and

$$\frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)} - 1 = \frac{2(1-\alpha)w(z)}{1-w(z)}.$$

Thus, we have

$$\left| \frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)} - 1 \right|^\gamma \left| \frac{z\phi''(z)}{\phi'(z)} \right|^\beta$$

$$= \left| \frac{2(1-\alpha)w(z)}{1-w(z)} \right|^\gamma \left| \frac{2(1-\alpha)w(z)}{1-w(z)} + \frac{2(1-\alpha)zw'(z)}{[1+(1-2\alpha)w(z)](1-w(z))} \right|^\beta$$

$$= \left| \frac{2(1-\alpha)w(z)}{1-w(z)} \right|^{\beta+\gamma} \left| 1 + \frac{zw'(z)}{[1+(1-2\alpha)w(z)](w(z))} \right|^\beta.$$

Suppose that there exists a point  $z_0 \in E$  such that

$$\max_{|z| \leq |z_0|} |w(z)| = |w(z_0)| = 1.$$

Then by using Lemma 1.1, we have  $w(z_0) = e^{i\theta}$  for some  $0 < \theta \leq 2\pi$  and  $z_0 w'(z_0) = k w(z_0)$ ,  $k \geq 1$ . Therefore

$$\left| \frac{z_0\phi'(z_0)}{\phi(z_0)} - 1 \right|^\gamma \left| \frac{z_0\phi''(z_0)}{\phi'(z_0)} \right|^\beta = \left| \frac{2(1-\alpha)w(z_0)}{1-w(z_0)} \right|^{\beta+\gamma}$$

$$\times \left| 1 + \frac{k w'(z_0)}{[1+(1-2\alpha)w(z_0)](w(z_0))} \right|^\beta$$

$$= \frac{2^{(\beta+\gamma)(1-\alpha)}}{|1-e^{i\theta}|^{\beta+\gamma}} \left| 1 + \frac{k}{[1+(1-2\alpha)e^{i\theta}]} \right|^\beta$$

$$\geq (1-\alpha)^{(\beta+\gamma)} \left( 1 + \frac{k}{[2(1-\alpha)]} \right)^\beta$$

$$\geq (1-\alpha)^{(\beta+\gamma)} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{[2(1-\alpha)]} \right)^\beta$$

$$= (1-\alpha)^\gamma \left( \frac{3}{2} - \alpha \right)^\beta,$$

which contradicts (2.2) for  $0 \leq \alpha < 1/2$ . Therefore, we must have  $|w(z)| < 1$  for all  $z \in E$ , and hence  $\phi(z) = \frac{f(z)-f(-z)}{2} \in S^*(\alpha)$ .

CASE (ii). Suppose  $1/2 < \alpha < 1$ . Let  $w(z)$  be defined by

$$\frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)} = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha - (1 - \alpha)w(z)}, \quad z \in E \quad \left[ \text{with } \phi(z) = \frac{f(z) - f(-z)}{2} \right],$$

where  $w(z) \neq \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}$  in  $E$ . Then  $w(z)$  is analytic in  $E$  and  $w(0) = 0$ . Using the same arguments as in Case (i), we obtain

$$1 + \frac{z\phi''(z)}{\phi'(z)} - \frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)} = \frac{(1 - \alpha)zw'(z)}{[\alpha - (1 - \alpha)w(z)]}.$$

This implies that

$$1 + \frac{z\phi''(z)}{\phi'(z)} = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha - (1 - \alpha)w(z)} + \frac{(1 - \alpha)zw'(z)}{[\alpha - (1 - \alpha)w(z)]}.$$

Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)} - 1 \right| \left| \frac{z\phi''(z)}{\phi'(z)} \right|^\beta \\ &= \left| \frac{(1 - \alpha)w(z)}{\alpha - (1 - \alpha)w(z)} \right|^\gamma \left| \frac{(1 - \alpha)w(z)}{\alpha - (1 - \alpha)w(z)} + \frac{(1 - \alpha)zw'(z)}{[\alpha - (1 - \alpha)w(z)]} \right|^\beta \\ &= \left| \frac{(1 - \alpha)w(z)}{\alpha - (1 - \alpha)w(z)} \right|^{\beta+\gamma} \left| 1 + \frac{zw'(z)}{w(z)} \right|^\beta \\ &= \left| \frac{(1 - \alpha)w(z)}{\alpha - (1 - \alpha)w(z)} \right|^{\beta+\gamma} |w(z)|^\gamma |w(z) + zw'(z)|^\beta. \end{aligned}$$

Suppose that there exists a point  $z_0 \in E$  such that

$$\max_{|z| \leq |z_0|} |w(z)| = |w(z_0)| = 1.$$

Then by applying Lemma 1.1, we have  $w(z_0) = e^{i\theta}$  and  $z_0w'(z_0) = kw(z_0)$ ,  $k \geq 1$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{z_0\phi'(z_0)}{\phi(z_0)} - 1 \right|^\gamma \left| \frac{z_0\phi''(z_0)}{\phi'(z_0)} \right|^\beta &= \left| \frac{(1 - \alpha)w(z_0)}{\alpha - (1 - \alpha)w(z_0)} \right|^{\beta+\gamma} \left| 1 + \frac{kw(z_0)}{w(z_0)} \right|^\beta \\ &= \frac{(1 - \alpha)^{\beta+\gamma}}{|\alpha - (1 - \alpha)e^{i\theta}|^{\beta+\gamma}} (1 + k)^\beta \\ &\geq (1 - \alpha)^{\beta+\gamma} (1 + 1)^\beta = (1 - \alpha)^{\beta+\gamma} 2^\beta, \end{aligned}$$

which contradicts (2.2) for  $1/2 < \alpha < 1$ . Therefore, we must have  $|w(z)| < 1$  for all  $z \in E$ , and hence  $\phi(z) = \frac{f(z)-f(-z)}{2} \in S^*(\alpha)$ . This completes the proof of Theorem 2.1. ■

COROLLARY 2.2. Let  $\beta = 1$ ,  $\gamma = 0$  and let  $\phi(z)$  be defined by (2.1). If

$$\left| \frac{z\phi''(z)}{\phi'(z)} \right| < \begin{cases} 3/2 - \alpha, & 0 \leq \alpha < 1/2, \\ 2(1 - \alpha), & 1/2 \leq \alpha < 1, \end{cases} \quad z \in E,$$

for some  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ , then

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{z\phi'(z)}{\phi(z)} \right) > \alpha, \quad z \in E.$$

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