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Given f, a normalized (f(0) = 0, f'(0) = 1) locally univalent function defined on the open unit disk of \mathbb{C} , we consider the extension of f to the open unit ball of \mathbb{C}^n given by $F(z) = (f(z_1) + G(\sqrt{f'(z_1)} \hat{z}), \sqrt{f'(z_1)} \hat{z}), \hat{z} = (z_2, \ldots, z_n) \in \mathbb{C}^{n-1}$. Here G is a complex-valued holomorphic function defined on a ball in \mathbb{C}^{n-1} of possibly infinite radius centered at 0 such that G(0) = 0 and DG(0) = 0. It is known that, if f is convex or starlike (univalent), then F inherits the same property when G is a homogeneous polynomial of degree 2 of sufficiently small norm. We consider what additional conditions on f will allow for G to have terms of degree greater than 2 in its expansion about 0 and have F still possess the relevant geometric property. (Received September 21, 2010)