

THE RADIUS OF UNIVALENCE OF CERTAIN ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS. II

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1. Introduction. Throughout this paper suppose that $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$ is analytic for $|z| < 1$ and $g(z) = z + b_2z^2 + \dots$ is analytic and univalent for $|z| < 1$. Recently [3] the author considered the problem: what is the radius of univalence of the family of functions $f(z)$ which satisfy $\operatorname{Re}\{f(z)/g(z)\} > 0$ for $|z| < 1$? This problem was solved for each of the subfamilies associated with the cases $g(z) \equiv z$, $g(z)$ is starlike for $|z| < 1$, and $g(z)$ is convex for $|z| < 1$. Only an estimate was obtained for the radius of univalence of the whole family.

In this paper we consider functions $f(z)$ which satisfy $|f(z)/g(z) - 1| < 1$ for $|z| < 1$. The radius of univalence of this family of functions is determined. Also, we find the radius of univalence and starlikeness for the subfamilies associated with each of the cases: $g(z) \equiv z$, $g(z)$ is starlike for $|z| < 1$, $g(z)$ is convex for $|z| < 1$.

2. THEOREM 1. *If $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$ is analytic and satisfies $|f(z)/z - 1| < 1$ for $|z| < 1$ then $f(z)$ is univalent and starlike for $|z| < 1/2$.*

PROOF. The function $F(z) = f(z)/z - 1$ is analytic and satisfies $|F(z)| < 1$ for $|z| < 1$ and $F(0) = 0$. Thus $F(z) = z\phi(z)$ where $\phi(z)$ is analytic for $|z| < 1$ and $|\phi(z)| \leq 1$. For such functions we have

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

[1, p. 18]. Expressing $f(z)$ and $f'(z)$ in terms of $\phi(z)$, we obtain

$$(2) \quad \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} = 1 + z \frac{\phi(z) + z\phi'(z)}{1 + z\phi(z)}.$$

Using (1) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{\phi(z) + z\phi'(z)}{1 + z\phi(z)} \right| &\leq \frac{|\phi(z)| + |z| \frac{1 - |\phi(z)|^2}{1 - |z|^2}}{1 - |z| |\phi(z)|} \\ &= \frac{|\phi(z)| + |z|}{1 - |z|^2} \leq \frac{1 + |z|}{1 - |z|^2} = \frac{1}{1 - |z|}, \end{aligned}$$

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$$(3) \quad \left| \frac{\phi(z) + z\phi'(z)}{1 + z\phi(z)} \right| \leq \frac{1}{1 - |z|}.$$

From (2) and (3) we obtain

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right| \leq \frac{|z|}{1 - |z|}.$$

If $|z| < 1/2$ then $|zf'(z)/f(z) - 1| < 1$ so that, in particular, $\text{Re}\{zf'(z)/f(z)\} > 0$ for $|z| < 1/2$. This proves the theorem since the condition $\text{Re}\{zf'(z)/f(z)\} > 0$ for $|z| < r$ is necessary and sufficient for $f(z)$ to be univalent for $|z| < r$ and map that circle onto a domain which is starlike with respect to the origin.

The function $f(z) = z + z^2$ satisfies the hypotheses of this theorem but is univalent in no circle $|z| < r$ with $r > 1/2$ since its derivative vanishes at $z = -1/2$.

THEOREM 2. *Suppose that $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$ is analytic for $|z| < 1$ and $g(z) = z + b_2z^2 + \dots$ is analytic and univalent for $|z| < 1$. If $|f(z)/g(z) - 1| < 1$ for $|z| < 1$ then $f(z)$ is univalent for $|z| < 1/3$.*

PROOF. The function $\phi(z) = f(z)/g(z) - 1$ is analytic for $|z| < 1$ and satisfies $|\phi(z)| < 1, \phi(0) = 0$. To show that $f(z)$ is univalent in $|z| \leq r$ it suffices to prove univalence on $|z| = r$. Let $z_1 \neq z_2, |z_1| = |z_2| = r$. Then $f(z_1) = f(z_2)$ can be written

$$\frac{g(z_2) - g(z_1)}{g(z_1)(z_2 - z_1)} = - \frac{\phi(z_2) - \phi(z_1)}{(1 + \phi(z_2))(z_2 - z_1)}.$$

Thus, $f(z)$ will be univalent in $|z| \leq r$ if we prove

$$\left| \frac{g(z_2) - g(z_1)}{g(z_1)(z_2 - z_1)} \right| > \left| \frac{\phi(z_2) - \phi(z_1)}{(1 + \phi(z_2))(z_2 - z_1)} \right|.$$

Since $|\phi(z)| < 1$ for $|z| < 1$ and $\phi(0) = 0$ we have $|\phi'(z)| \leq 1$ for $|z| \leq \sqrt{2} - 1$ [1, p. 19]. From the representation $\phi(z_2) - \phi(z_1) = \int_{z_1}^{z_2} \phi'(z) dz$ where the path of integration is the line segment from z_1 to z_2 the estimate for $|\phi'(z)|$ implies $|\phi(z_2) - \phi(z_1)| \leq |z_2 - z_1|$ for $r \leq \sqrt{2} - 1$. From Schwarz's lemma we also have $|\phi(z_2)| \leq |z_2| = r$. Thus,

$$(4) \quad \left| \frac{\phi(z_2) - \phi(z_1)}{(1 + \phi(z_2))(z_2 - z_1)} \right| \leq \frac{1}{1 - r} \quad \text{for } r \leq \sqrt{2} - 1.$$

Since $g(z) = z + b_2z^2 + \dots$ is analytic and univalent for $|z| < 1$

$$\left| \frac{g(z_2) - g(z_1)}{z_2 - z_1} \right| \geq |g(z_1)g(z_2)| \frac{1 - r^2}{r^2}$$

[2]. Using this estimate and the distortion theorem $|g(z)| \geq |z|/(1+|z|)^2$ we obtain

$$(5) \quad \left| \frac{g(z_2) - g(z_1)}{g(z_1)(z_2 - z_1)} \right| \geq \frac{1 - r}{r(1 + r)}.$$

From (4) and (5) it follows that $f(z)$ is univalent in $|z| \leq r$ if $(1-r)/r(1+r) > 1/(1-r)$ and $r \leq \sqrt{2} - 1$. Since $(1-r)/r(1+r) > 1/(1-r)$ is equivalent to $r < 1/3$ we have shown that $f(z)$ is univalent in $|z| < 1/3$.

The function $f(z) = (z+z^2)/(1-z)^2$ satisfies the hypotheses of this theorem with $g(z) = z/(1-z)^2$. This $f(z)$ is not univalent in $|z| < r$ if $r > 1/3$ since its derivative vanishes at $z = -1/3$.

THEOREM 3. *Suppose that $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$ is analytic for $|z| < 1$ and $g(z) = z + b_2z^2 + \dots$ is analytic, univalent and starlike for $|z| < 1$. If $|f(z)/g(z) - 1| < 1$ for $|z| < 1$ then $f(z)$ is univalent and starlike for $|z| < 1/3$.*

PROOF. We can write $f(z)/g(z) - 1 = z\phi(z)$ where $\phi(z)$ is analytic and satisfies $|\phi(z)| \leq 1$ for $|z| < 1$. Expressing $f(z)$ and $f'(z)$ in terms of $g(z)$ and $\phi(z)$ yields

$$(6) \quad \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} = \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} + z \frac{\phi(z) + z\phi'(z)}{1 + z\phi(z)}.$$

$(zf'(z))/f(z)$ is analytic in $|z| < 1$ since the hypotheses imply that $f(z)$ does not vanish in $|z| < 1$ except for the simple zero at $z=0$.

Since $g(z)$ is starlike $\operatorname{Re}\{zg'(z)/g(z)\} > 0$ for $|z| < 1$ and, therefore,

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} \right\} \geq \frac{1 - |z|}{1 + |z|}$$

[5, p. 140]. Applying this estimate and also (3) to (6) gives

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} \geq \frac{1 - |z|}{1 + |z|} - \frac{|z|}{1 - |z|} = \frac{1 - 3|z|}{1 - |z|^2}.$$

Therefore, if $|z| < 1/3$ then $\operatorname{Re}\{zf'(z)/f(z)\} > 0$. This proves the theorem.

The function $f(z) = (z+z^2)/(1-z)^2$ is an extremal function for this theorem as well as for Theorem 2 since $g(z) = z/(1-z)^2$ maps $|z| < 1$ onto a starlike domain.

THEOREM 4. *Suppose that $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$ is analytic for $|z| < 1$ and $g(z) = z + b_2z^2 + \dots$ is analytic, univalent and convex for $|z| < 1$. If $|f(z)/g(z) - 1| < 1$ for $|z| < 1$ then $f(z)$ is univalent and starlike for $|z| < \sqrt{2} - 1$.*

PROOF. Since $g(z)$ is univalent and convex for $|z| < 1$ we have $\operatorname{Re}\{zg'(z)/g(z)\} > 1/2$ for $|z| < 1$ and, therefore, $\operatorname{Re}\{zg'(z)/g(z)\} \geq 1/(1+|z|)$ [4; 6]. Proceeding exactly as in the proof of Theorem 3 this improved estimate on $\operatorname{Re}\{zg'(z)/g(z)\}$ gives

$$\operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\right\} \geq \frac{1}{1+|z|} - \frac{|z|}{1-|z|} = \frac{1-2|z|-|z|^2}{1-|z|^2}.$$

If $|z| < \sqrt{2} - 1$ then $1 - 2|z| - |z|^2 > 0$. Therefore, $f(z)$ is univalent and starlike in $|z| < \sqrt{2} - 1$.

The function $f(z) = (z+z^2)/(1-z)$ satisfies the hypotheses of this theorem with $g(z) = z/(1-z)$. Since the derivative of this $f(z)$ vanishes at $z = 1 - \sqrt{2}$ it is not univalent in $|z| < r$ if $r > \sqrt{2} - 1$.

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