On some conditions for univalence and starlikeness in the unit disc

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RIASSUNTO – Si stabiliscono alcuni criteri per l'univalenza e la stellazione delle funzioni analitiche sul disco unitario. Si usano metodi connessi alla relazione di subordinazione.

ABSTRACT - By using the method of differential subordinations, we give some criteria for univalence and starlikeness in the unit disc.

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1 - Introduction and preliminaries

In the beginning we cite the following well-dnown definitions [3].

For a function f analytic in the unit disc $U = \{z : |z| < 1\}$, with $f'(0) \neq 0$ and f(0) = 0, we say that it is starlike (univalent) if and only if $\text{Re}\{zf'(z)/f(z)\} > 0$, $z \in U$.

For a function f analytic in U with $f'(0) \neq 0$ we say that it is convex (univalent) if and only if $\text{Re}\{1 + zf''(z)/f'(z)\} > 0$, $z \in U$.

We note that f is convex if and only if zf' is starlike.

Let A denote the class of functions f analytic in U with f(0) = f'(0) - 1 = 0, and let $S^{\bullet}(\alpha)$ denote the subclass of A consisting of starlike

functions of order α , i.e. the subclass for which $\text{Re}\{zf'(z)/f(z)\} > \alpha$ for some $\alpha(0 \le \alpha < 1)$ and for all $z \in U$. We write S^* instead of $S^*(0)$.

Also we need some notations about subordination.

Let f and F be analytic in U. The function f is subordinate to F, written $f \prec F$ or $f(z) \prec F(z)$, if F is univalent, f(0) = F(0) and $f(U) \subset F(U)$.

By using the method of differential subordination (see [1] and [2]) we give some criteria for univalence expressing by $Re\{f'(z)\} > 0$, $z \in U$, and for starlikeness in the unit disc. This paper is motivated by the previous paper of RAM and SANDER SINGH [4].

For the proofs of the coming results we use the following lemma due to MILLER and MOCANU [2].

LEMMA A. Let q be univalent in U and let θ and ϕ be analytic in a domain in D containing q(U), with $\phi(w) \neq 0$ when $w \in q(U)$. Set $Q(z) = zq'\phi(q(z))$, $h(z) = \theta(q(z)) + Q(z)$ and suppose that

(i) Q is starlike in U, and

$$(\mathrm{ii}) \qquad \mathrm{Re}\left\{\frac{zh'(z)}{Q(z)}\right\} = \mathrm{Re}\left\{\frac{\theta'(q(z))}{\phi(q(z))} + \frac{zQ'(z)}{Q(z)}\right\} > 0\,, \quad z \in U\,.$$

If p is analytic in U, with $p(0) = q(0), p(U) \subset D$ and

(1)
$$\theta(p(z)) + zp'(z)\phi(p(z)) \prec \theta(q(z)) + zq'(z)\phi(q(z))$$

then $p \prec q$, and q is the best dominant of (1).

We note that the univalent function q is said to be a dominant of differential subordination (1) if $p \prec q$ for all p satisfying (1). If \tilde{q} is a dominant of (1) and $\tilde{q} \prec q$ for all dominants q of (1), then \tilde{q} is said to be the best dominant of (1).

2 - Results and consequences

THEOREM 1. If $f \in A$ satisfies in U the following condition

$$\left|\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}-1\right|^{1-\gamma}\left|\frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right|^{\gamma}<\frac{1-a}{1+a}\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{\gamma},\quad z\in U\,,$$

for some $0 \le \gamma \le 1$ and $0 \le a < 1$, then $f \in S^*$ and $\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \prec \frac{1+z}{1+az}$.

PROOF. First if $\gamma = 0$, then the condition (2) is equal to

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

i.e. $\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \prec 1 + \frac{1-a}{1+a}z$ which implies $\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \prec \frac{1+z}{1+az}$ (because the function $\frac{1+z}{1+az}$ maps the unit disc U onto the disc with diameter end points 0 and $\frac{2}{1+a}$ on the real axis).

Now, let suppose that $0 < \gamma \le 1$ and let show that in this case for a function p analytic in U with p(0) = 1 and $q(z) = \frac{1+z}{1+az}$, we have that the following implication

$$(p(z)-1)^{\frac{1}{7}} + zp'(z) \frac{(p(z)-1)^{\frac{1}{7}-1}}{p(z)} \prec$$

$$(3) \qquad \qquad (q(z)-1)^{\frac{1}{7}} + zq'(z) \frac{(q(z)-1)^{\frac{1}{7}-1}}{q(z)} \equiv h(z) \implies p(z) \prec q(z) \,,$$

is true and that the function q is the best dominant.

Really, if we choose $\theta(w)=(w-1)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}}, \phi(w)=\frac{(w-1)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}-1}}{w}$ and $q(z)=\frac{1+z}{1+az}$ $(0<\gamma\leq 1, 0\leq a<1)$ in Lemma A, then we have that the function

$$Q(z) = zq'(z)\frac{(q(z)-1)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}-1}}{q(z)} = \frac{1}{1+z}\left(\frac{(1-a)z}{1+az}\right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}}$$

is starlike in U, because

$$z\frac{Q'(z)}{Q(z)} = \frac{1}{2}\frac{1-z}{1+z} + \frac{1}{2}\frac{1-az}{1+az} + \left(\frac{1}{\gamma} - 1\right)\frac{1}{1+az}.$$

Also, we get

$$\operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{\theta'(q(z))}{\phi(q(z))} + z\frac{Q'(z)}{Q(z)}\right\} = \operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{1}{\gamma}q(z) + z\frac{Q'(z)}{Q(z)}\right\} > 0, \quad z \in U.$$

Therefore, the conditions (i) and (ii) of Lemma A are satisfied and the implication (3) follows from Lemma A.

Let consider the function h defined in (3). After some transformations we have

$$h(z) = (1-a)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \cdot \left(\frac{z}{1+az}\right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \frac{2+z}{1+z},$$

and from there

$$\begin{split} |h(\mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{i}\varphi})| &= \frac{(1-a)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}}}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{(1+2a\cos\varphi+a^2)^{1/2\gamma}} \sqrt{9+\mathrm{tg}^2\,\frac{\gamma}{2}} \ge \\ &\geq \frac{(1-a)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}}}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{(1+2a+a^2)^{1/2\gamma}} \sqrt{9} = \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{1-a}{1+a}\right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}}. \end{split}$$

That's why, the image h(U) contains the disc $|w| < \frac{3}{2}(\frac{1-a}{1+a})^{\frac{1}{7}}$.

Therefore, if p is analytic in U with p(0) = 1 and if

$$\left| (p(z)-1)^{1/\gamma} + zp'(z) \frac{(p(z)-1)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}-1}}{p(z)} \right| < \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{1-a}{1+a} \right)^{1/\gamma}$$

which is equivalent to

(4)
$$|p(z)-1|^{1-\gamma} |p(z)-1+\frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)}|^{\gamma} < \frac{1-a}{1+a} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{\gamma},$$

then from the implication (3) we have that $p \prec q$. Finally, if we put $\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}$, $f \in A$, instead of p in (4), we get the statement of this theorem.

REMARK 1. For a=0 in Theorem 1 we obtain for $0 \le \gamma \le 1$ the result given in [4].

THEOREM 2. Let q be a convex function in U with q(0) = 1 and $Re\{q(z)\} > \frac{1}{2}$, $z \in U$. If $0 \le \alpha < 1$, p is analytic in U with p(0) = 1 and

if

(5)
$$(1-\alpha)p^{2}(z) + (2\alpha - 1)p(z) - \alpha + (1-\alpha)zp'(z) \prec (1-\alpha)q^{2}(z) + (2\alpha - 1)q(z) - \alpha + (1-\alpha)zq'(z) \equiv h(z) ,$$

then $p \prec q$, and q is the best dominant of (5).

PROOF. For $\alpha = 1$ it is evident. Suppose that $0 \le \alpha < 1$. In Lemma A we choose $\theta(w) = (1 - \alpha)w^2 + (2\alpha - 1)w - \alpha$ and $\phi(w) = 1 - \alpha$.

Then the function $Q(z) = zq'(z)\phi(q(z)) = (1-\alpha)zq'(z)$ is starlike because q is a convex function. Further,

$$\begin{split} \operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{\theta'(q(z))}{\phi(q(z))} + z\frac{Q'(z)}{Q(z)}\right\} &= \operatorname{Re}\left\{2q + \frac{2\alpha - 1}{1 - \alpha} + z\frac{Q'(z)}{Q(z)}\right\} > \\ > &2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2\alpha - 1}{1 - \alpha} + \operatorname{Re}\left\{z\frac{Q'(z)}{Q(z)}\right\} = \frac{\alpha}{1 - \alpha} + \operatorname{Re}\left\{z\frac{Q'(z)}{Q(z)}\right\} > 0, \quad z \in U. \end{split}$$

Therefore, the statement of Theorem 2 easily follows from Lemma A.

If we put $p(z) = z \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)}$, $f \in A$, in Theorem 2, then the left hand side of (5) is equal to

(6)
$$\alpha \left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}-1\right)+(1-\alpha)\frac{z^2f''(z)}{f(z)},$$

COROLLARY 1. Let $f \in A$ and let

(7)
$$\operatorname{Re}\left\{\alpha\left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}-1\right)+(1-\alpha)\frac{z^2f''(z)}{f(z)}\right\} > -\frac{1}{2}, \quad z \in U,$$

for some $\alpha, 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$. Then $f \in S^{\bullet}(\frac{1}{2})$.

PROOF. If we take $q(z) = \frac{1}{1-z}$ in Theorem 2, then we have that the function h defined in (5) is equal to

$$h(z) = \frac{z}{(1-z)^2}(2-\alpha-\alpha z),$$

and from there

$$\operatorname{Re}\{h(\mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{i}\varphi})\} = -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1-\alpha}{2}\operatorname{ctg}^2\frac{\varphi}{2} \le -\frac{1}{2}\,.$$

Now, if the relation (7) is satisfied, then the function (6) is subordinate to the function h and from Theorem 2 we get $\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \prec \frac{1}{1-z}$, i.e. $f \in S^*(\frac{1}{2})$.

Taking $\alpha = 0$ in Corollary 1, we get

COROLLARY 2. If $f \in A$ satisfies

$$\operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{z^2f''(z)}{f(z)}\right\} > -\frac{1}{2}, \quad z \in U,$$

then $f \in S^*(\frac{1}{2})$.

COROLLARY 3. If $f \in A$ and if

(8)
$$\left| \left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right) + (1 - \alpha) \frac{z^2 f''(z)}{f(z)} \right| < \frac{5 - \alpha}{8}, \quad z \in U,$$

for some $\alpha, 0 \le \alpha \le \frac{1}{2}$, then $f \in S^*(\frac{1}{2})$ and $\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \prec \frac{1 + \frac{1}{3}z}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z}$.

PROOF. For the function $q(z) = \frac{1 + \frac{1}{3}z}{1 - \frac{1}{3}z}$ we have that q(U) is the disc with diameter end points $\frac{1}{2}$ and 2 on the real axis, i.e. $\text{Re}\{q(z)\} > \frac{1}{2}$,

 $z \in U$. Further, for such q we have that the function h defined in (5) is equal to

(9)
$$h(z) = \frac{2z}{(3-z)^2} \left[(1-2\alpha)z + 3(2-\alpha) \right].$$

From (9) we obtain that

$$\begin{split} |h(\mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{i}\varphi})| &= \\ &= \frac{2}{10 - 6\cos\varphi} \sqrt{(1 - 2\alpha)^2 + 6(1 - 2\alpha)(2 - \alpha)\cos\varphi + 9(2 - \alpha)^2} \geq \\ &\geq \frac{2}{16} \sqrt{[(1 - 2\alpha) - 3(2 - \alpha)]^2} = \frac{1}{8} (5 - \alpha) \,, \end{split}$$

and from there we conclude that h(U) contains the disc $|w| < \frac{1}{8}(5-\alpha)$.

Finally, if (8) is satisfied, then the function (6) is subordinate to the function h defined by (9) and from Theorem 2 we get

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \prec \frac{1+\frac{1}{3}z}{1-\frac{1}{3}z}$$
,

which was to be proved.

Taking $\alpha = 0$ in Corollary 3, we obtain

COROLLARY 4. If for $f \in A$ we have

$$\left|\frac{z^2f''(z)}{f(z)}\right|<\frac{5}{8}\,,\quad z\in U\,,$$

then
$$f \in S^*(\frac{1}{2})$$
 and $\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \prec \frac{1 + \frac{1}{3}z}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z}$.

THEOREM 3. Let $f \in A$, $\alpha \ge 1$ and

(10)
$$\alpha \left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) + (1 - \alpha)\frac{1}{f'(z)} \prec \alpha + (1 - \alpha)\frac{1 + z}{1 - z} + \alpha\frac{2z}{1 - z^2} \equiv h(z)$$
, then $\text{Re}\{f'(z)\} > 0$, $z \in U$.

PROOF. First, we want to show that for a function p analytic in U with p(0) = 1 we have that the following implication

(11)
$$\alpha + (1-\alpha)\frac{1}{p(z)} + \alpha \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \prec h(z) \implies p(z) \prec \frac{1+z}{1-z},$$

where h is defined in (10), is true. That fact easily follows from Lemma A by taking $\theta(w) = \alpha + (1 - \alpha) \frac{1}{w}$, $\phi(w) = \frac{\alpha}{w}$ and $q(z) = \frac{1+z}{1-z} (\alpha \ge 1)$. If in (11) we put $f', f \in A$, instead of p, then we have that the condition (10) implies that $f'(z) < \frac{1+z}{1-z}$, i.e. $\text{Re}\{f'(z)\} > 0$.

For the funciton h defined by (10) we conclude that it maps the unit disc U onto the complex plane slit along the half-lines $\text{Re}\{w\} = \alpha$, $\text{Im}\{w\} \geq \sqrt{2\alpha(3\alpha-2)}$ and $\text{Re}\,w = \alpha$, $\text{Im}\{w\} \leq -\sqrt{2\alpha(3\alpha-2)}$. Combining this fact with Theorem 3, we get

COROLLARY 5. Let $f \in A$ and $\alpha > 1$. Then each of the following conditions

(12)
$$\operatorname{Re}\left\{\alpha\left(1+\frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right)+(1-\alpha)\frac{1}{f'(z)}\right\}<\alpha,\quad z\in U\,,$$

(13)
$$\left|\alpha\left(1+\frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right)+(1-\alpha)\frac{1}{f'(z)}\right|<\sqrt{\alpha(7\alpha-4)}\,,\quad z\in U\,,$$

$$(14)\ \arg\left\{\alpha\bigg(1+\frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\bigg)+(1-\alpha)\frac{1}{f'(z)}\right\}<\arctan\sqrt{\frac{2(3\alpha-2)}{\alpha}}\,,\quad z\in U\,,$$

$$\left|\operatorname{Im}\left\{\alpha\left(1+\frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right)+(1-\alpha)\frac{1}{f'(z)}\right\}\right|<\sqrt{2\alpha(3\alpha-2)}\,,\quad z\in U\,,$$

$$\operatorname{imply}\operatorname{Re}\{f'(z)\}>0,\,z\in U.$$

For $\alpha = 1$ we have the corresponding conditions in the cases (13), (14) and (15).

REMARK 2 The condition (12) is weaker than that given in [4] (Th. 5), but the conditions (13), (14) and (15) are new.

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