

Certain Sufficient Conditions for Close-to-Convexity of Analytic Functions

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Abstract. The object of this paper is to derive certain sufficient conditions for close-to-convexity of certain analytic functions defined on the unit disk $\Delta := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$.

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1. Introduction

Let $\mathcal{H}(\Delta)$ be the class of analytic functions in the unit disk $\Delta := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ and $\mathcal{H}[a, n]$ be the subclass of functions of the form $f(z) = a + a_n z^n + a_{n+1} z^{n+1} + \dots$. We denote $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}[1, 1]$. Let \mathcal{A} denote the subclass of \mathcal{H} normalized by the conditions $f(0) = 0 = f'(0) - 1$. Thus, the class \mathcal{A} consists of the functions of the form

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n. \quad (1)$$

Let \mathcal{S} be the subclass of \mathcal{A} consisting of univalent functions.

A function $p(z) = 1 + p_1 z + p_2 z^2 + \dots$ is said to be in the class \mathcal{P} if $\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0$. For two analytic functions f and g , we say that f is *subordinate* to g or g is *superordinate* to f , denoted by $f \prec g$, if there is a Schwarz function w with $|w(z)| \leq |z|$ such that $f(z) = g(w(z))$. If g is univalent, then $f \prec g$ if and only if $f(0) = g(0)$ and $f(\Delta) \subseteq g(\Delta)$. A function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ is starlike if $f(\Delta)$ is starlike domain with respect to 0, and a function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ is convex if $f(\Delta)$ is a convex domain. Analytically, the

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prerequisites are equivalent to the following conditions $\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \in \mathcal{P}$ and $1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \in \mathcal{P}$, respectively. The class of starlike and convex functions of order α , ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$) is defined as follows:

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

and

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

These classes are denoted by $\mathcal{S}^*(\alpha)$ and $\mathcal{K}(\alpha)$ respectively. The class of close to convex functions is defined by

$$\mathcal{C}(\alpha) := \{f : f \in \mathcal{A}; \text{ and } \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} \right) > \alpha, z \in \delta, 0 \leq \alpha < 1; g \in \mathcal{K}\}.$$

It is well known [1] that $f \in \mathcal{K}(\alpha) \Leftrightarrow zf'(z) \in \mathcal{S}^*(\alpha)$. Thus, if $f \in \mathcal{S}^*(\alpha)$, then $f \in \mathcal{C}(\alpha)$.

The following Lemma is needed in the present investigation:

LEMMA 1.1 [2, 3] *Let the function $w(z)$ be analytic in δ with $w(0) = 0$. If $|w(z)|$ attains its maximum value on the circle $|z| < 1$ at a point $z_0 \in \Delta$, then $z_0 w'(z_0) = cw(z_0)$, where $c \geq 1$.*

2. Main Results

THEOREM 2.1 *Let $c \geq 1$ and one of the following conditions holds*

- (1) $A = 1, 0 < B < 1$
- (2) $0 < A < 1, 0 \leq B < A$.

If the function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfies the inequality

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) > 1 + \frac{Ac}{1+A} + \frac{(1+A)Bc}{(1+B)^2} \quad (z \in \Delta),$$

then

$$|f'(z) - 1| < |A - Bf'(z)|.$$

Proof Let the function w be defined as

$$f'(z) = \frac{1 + Aw(z)}{1 + Bw(z)}, \quad w(z) \neq -\frac{1}{B}. \quad (2)$$

Then, clearly w is analytic in the unit disk Δ with $w(0) = 0$. From (2), by a simple computation, we get

$$1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} = 1 + \frac{Az w'(z)}{(1 + Aw(z))} - \frac{Bz w'(z)}{(1 + Bw(z))}. \quad (3)$$

Suppose that there is a point z_0 in the unit disk Δ with the properties $|w(z_0)| = 1$ and $|w(z)| < 1$, whenever $|z| < |z_0|$. Now, from the Lemma 1.1, we have

$$z_0 w(z_0) = c w(z_0), (c \geq 1, w(z_0) = e^{i\theta}, \theta \in \mathbb{R}). \quad (4)$$

From (3) and (4), we obtain

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(1 + \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) = 1 + \frac{Ac(\cos(\theta) + A)}{1 + A^2 + 2A \cos(\theta)} - \frac{Bc(\cos(\theta) + B)}{1 + B^2 + 2B \cos(\theta)} := u(\theta).$$

A simple calculation shows that $u(\theta)$ attains its maximum at $\theta = 0$ and

$$\max_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}} \{u(\theta)\} = 1 + \frac{Ac}{1 + A} + \frac{(1 + A)Bc}{(1 + B)^2}.$$

Which is a contradiction to our hypothesis. Thus, $|w(z)| < 1$, $z \in \Delta$ which implies that $|f'(z) - 1| < |A - Bf'(z)|$. This completes the proof. ■

If we set $B = 0$ in the Theorem 2.1, then we have:

COROLLARY 2.2 *Let $c \geq 1$ and $0 < A < 1$. If the function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfies the inequality*

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(1 + \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) > 1 + \frac{Ac}{1 + A} \quad (z \in \Delta),$$

then

$$\operatorname{Re}(f'(z)) > 1 - A.$$

Which equivalently can be written as $f \in \mathcal{C}(1 - A)$.

If we set $A = 1/2$ and $c = 1$ in the Corollary 2.2, then we have:

COROLLARY 2.3 *If the function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfies the inequality*

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(1 + \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) > 2.33 \quad (z \in \Delta),$$

then

$$\operatorname{Re}(f'(z)) > 1/2.$$

Which equivalently can be written as $f \in \mathcal{C}(1/2)$.

Setting $A = 1$ in the Theorem 2.1, we have:

COROLLARY 2.4 *Let $c \geq 1$ and $0 < B < 1$. If the function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfies the inequality*

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(1 + \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) > 1 + \frac{c}{2} + \frac{2Bc}{(1 + B)^2} \quad (z \in \Delta),$$

then

$$|f'(z)| < \frac{2}{1 - B}.$$

Setting $B = 1/2$ and $c = 2$ in the above corollary, we have:

COROLLARY 2.5 If the function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfies the inequality

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f(z)} \right) > 2.88 \quad (z \in \Delta),$$

then

$$|f'(z)| < 4.$$

3. Conclusion

In this paper several sufficient conditions for close-to-convexity of analytic functions are obtained. Further this paper leaves a scope to the researchers to discuss more general results in this direction using differential subordination.

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