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# Radius properties for analytic and p-valently starlike functions

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# **Abstract**

Let  $\mathcal{A}_p$  be the class of functions f(z) which are analytic in the open unit disk  $\mathbb U$  and satisfy  $\frac{z^p}{f(z)} \neq 0 (z \in \mathbb U)$ . Also, let  $\mathcal{S}_p^*(\alpha)$  denotes the subclass of  $\mathcal{A}_p$  consisting of f(z) which are p-valently starlike of order  $\alpha(0 \le \alpha < p)$ . A new subclass  $\mathcal{U}_p(\lambda)$  of  $\mathcal{A}_p$  is introduced by

$$\left|z^2\left(\frac{z^{p-1}}{f(z)}-\frac{1}{z}\right)'\right| \leq \lambda \quad (z \in \mathbb{U})$$

for some real  $\lambda > 0$ . The object of the present paper is to consider some radius properties for  $f(z) \in \mathcal{S}_p^*(\alpha)$  such that  $\delta^{-p} f(\delta z) \in \mathcal{U}_p(\lambda)$ .

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### 1 Introduction

Let  $A_p$  be the class of functions f(z) of the form

$$f(z) = z^p + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} a_n z^n$$
  $(p = 1, 2, 3, ...)$  (1.1)

which are analytic in the open unit disk  $\mathbb{U} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$  and satisfy

$$\frac{z^p}{f(z)} = 1 + \sum_{n=n+1}^{\infty} b_n z^{n-p} \neq 0 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$
 (1.2)

For  $f(z) \in A_p$ , we say that f(z) belongs to the class  $\mathcal{U}_p(\lambda)$  if it satisfies

$$\left| z^2 \left( \frac{z^{p-1}}{f(z)} - \frac{1}{z} \right)' \right| \le \lambda \quad (z \in \mathbb{U})$$
 (1.3)

for some real number  $\lambda > 0$ .

Let us consider a function  $f_{\delta}(z)$  given by

$$f_{\delta}(z) = \frac{z^{p}}{(1-z)^{\delta}} \quad (\delta \in \mathbb{R}). \tag{1.4}$$



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Then, we can write that

$$f_{\delta}(z) = \frac{z^p}{1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^n}$$

with

$$a_n = (-1)^n \binom{\delta}{n}$$

and

$$\left|z^{2}\left(\frac{z^{p-1}}{f_{\delta}(z)}-\frac{1}{z}\right)'\right| = \left|\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n-1)a_{n}z^{n}\right|$$

$$< \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n-1)|a_{n}|.$$

Thus, if  $\delta = 2$ , then

$$\left|z^2\left(\frac{z^{p-1}}{f_2(z)}-\frac{1}{z}\right)'\right|<1.$$

This shows that  $f_2(z) \in \mathcal{U}_p(\lambda)$  for  $\lambda \ge 1$ .

If  $\delta$  = 3, then we have that

$$\left|z^2\left(\frac{z^{p-1}}{f_3(z)}-\frac{1}{z}\right)'\right|<5$$

Which shows that  $f(z) \in \mathcal{U}_p(\lambda)$  for  $\lambda \ge 5$ .

Further, if  $\delta = 4$ , then

$$\left| z^2 \left( \frac{z^{p-1}}{f_4(z)} - \frac{1}{z} \right)' \right| < 11$$

which shows that  $f(z) \in \mathcal{U}_p(\lambda)$  for  $\lambda \ge 11$ .

If p = 1, then  $f(z) \in \mathcal{U}_1(\lambda)$  is defined by

$$\left| z^2 \left( \frac{1}{f(z)} - \frac{1}{z} \right)' \right| \le \lambda \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}) \tag{1.5}$$

for some real number  $\lambda > 0$ . Note that (1.5) is equivalent to

$$\left|f'(z)\left(\frac{z}{f(z)}\right)^2-1\right| \leq \lambda \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Therefore, this class  $\mathcal{U}_1(\lambda)$  was considered by Obradović and Ponnusamy [1]. Further-more, this class was extended as the class  $\mathcal{U}(\beta_1, \beta_2; \lambda)$  by Shimoda et al. [2].

Let  $S_p^*(\alpha)$  denotes the subclass of  $A_p$  consisting of f(z) which satisfy

$$Re\left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\right) > \alpha \quad (z \in \mathbb{U})$$
 (1.6)

for some real  $\alpha$  ( $0 \le \alpha < p$ ).

A function  $f(z) \in \mathcal{S}_p^*(\alpha)$  is said to be p-valently starlike of order  $\alpha$  in  $\mathbb{U}$  (cf. Robertson [3]).

# 2 Coefficient inequalities

For  $f(z) \in A_p$ , we consider the sufficient condition for f(z) to be in the class  $\mathcal{U}_p(\lambda)$ .

**Lemma 1** If  $f(z) \in A_p$  satisfies

$$\sum_{n=p+2}^{\infty} (n-p-1)|b_n| \le \lambda, \tag{2.1}$$

then  $f(z) \in \mathcal{U}_1(\lambda)$ .

Proof We note that

$$\left| z^{2} \left( \frac{z^{p-1}}{f(z)} - \frac{1}{z} \right)' \right| = \left| \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n-p-1)b_{n} z^{n-p} \right|$$

$$< \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n-p-1)|b_{n}|.$$

Therefore, if

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n-p-1)|b_n| = \sum_{n=p+2}^{\infty} (n-p-1)|b_n| \leq \lambda,$$

then  $f(z) \in \mathcal{U}_p(\lambda)$ .

**Example 1** If we consider a function  $f(z) \in A_p$  given by

$$\frac{z^p}{f(z)} = 1 + b_{p+1}z + \sum_{n=p+2}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda e^{i\varphi}}{(n-p)(n-p-1)^2} z^{n-p} \neq 0 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U})$$

with

$$b_n = \frac{\lambda e^{i\varphi}}{(n-p)(n-p-1)^2} (\lambda > 0, \varphi \in \mathbb{R})$$

for  $n \ge p + 2$ , then we see that

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=p+2}^{\infty} \left( n-p-1 \right) |b_n| &= \sum_{n=p+2}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda e^{i\varphi}}{(n-p)(n-p-1)} \\ &< \lambda \sum_{n=p+2}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{n-p-1} - \frac{1}{n-p} \right) = \lambda. \end{split}$$

Thus, this function f(z) satisfies the inequality (2.1). Also, we see that

$$\left| z^2 \left( \frac{z^{p-1}}{f(x)} - \frac{1}{z} \right)' \right| = \left| \sum_{n=p+2}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda e^{i\varphi}}{n-p-1)(n-p)} z^{n-p} \right|$$
$$< \lambda \sum_{n=n+2}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{n-p-1} - \frac{1}{n-p} \right) = \lambda.$$

Therefore, we say that  $f(z) \in \mathcal{U}_p(\lambda)$ .

Next, we discuss the necessary condition for the class  $\mathcal{S}_p^*(\alpha)$ .

**Lemma 2** *If*  $f(z) \in \mathcal{S}_p^*(\alpha)$  *satisfies* 

$$\frac{z^p}{f(z)} = 1 + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} b_n z^{n-p} \neq 0 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U})$$

with  $b_n = |b_n| e^{i(n-p)\theta}$  (n = p + 1, p + 2, p + 3,...), then

$$\sum_{n=n+1}^{\infty} (n+\alpha-2p)|b_n| \leq p-\alpha.$$

**Proof** Let us define the function F(z) by

$$F(z) = \frac{z^{p}}{f(z)} = 1 + \sum_{n=n+1}^{\infty} b_{n} z^{n-p}.$$

It follows that

$$Re\left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\right) = Re\left(p - \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)}\right)$$

$$= Re\left(\frac{p - \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n-2p)b_n z^{n-p}}{1 + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} b_n z^{n-p}}\right)$$

$$= Re\left(\frac{p - \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n-2p)|b_n|e^{i(n-p)\theta} z^{n-p}}{1 + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} |b_n|e^{i(n-p)\theta} z^{n-p}}\right) > \alpha$$

for  $z \in \mathbb{U}$ . Letting  $z = |z| e^{-i\theta}$ , we have that

$$\frac{p - \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n-2p)|b_n||z|^{n-p}}{1 + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} |b_n||z|^{n-p}} > \alpha \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

If we take  $|z| \rightarrow 1$ , we obtain that

$$\frac{p - \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n - 2p)|b_n|}{1 + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} |b_n|} \ge \alpha$$

which implies that

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n+\alpha-2p)|b_n| \leq p-\alpha.$$

**Remark 1** If we take p = 1 in Lemmas 1 and 2, then we have that

(i) 
$$f(z) \in \mathcal{A}_1$$
,  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n-2)|b_n| \leq \lambda \Rightarrow f(z) \in \mathcal{U}_1(\lambda)$ 

and

$$(ii) \ f(z) \in \mathcal{S}^*(\alpha), \quad |b_n| = |b_n| e^{i(n-1)\theta} \Rightarrow \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n+\alpha-2) |b_n| \leq 1-\alpha.$$

# 3 Radius problems

Our main result for the radius problem is contained in

**Theorem 1** Let  $f(z) \in \mathcal{S}_p^*(\alpha)$   $(p - 1 \le \alpha < p)$  with

$$\frac{z^p}{f(z)}=1+\sum_{n=n+1}^\infty b_nz^{n-p}\neq 0\quad (z\in\mathbb{U}).$$

and  $b_n = |b_n| e^{i(n-p)\theta}$  (n = p + 1, p + 2, p + 3, ...). If  $\delta \in \mathbb{C}(|\delta| < 1)$ , then  $\frac{1}{\delta^p} f(\delta z)$  belongs to the class  $\mathcal{U}_p(\lambda)$  for  $0 < |\delta| \leq |\delta_0(\lambda)|$ , where  $|\delta_0(\lambda)|$  is the smallest positive root of the equation

$$|\delta|^2 \sqrt{1 - \alpha} - (1 - |\delta|^2) \lambda = 0, \tag{3.1}$$

that is.

$$|\delta_0(\lambda)| = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \sqrt{1 - \alpha}}}.$$
(3.2)

**Proof** Since

$$f(\delta z) = \delta^p z^p + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} a_n \delta^n z^n,$$

we have that

$$\frac{z^p}{\frac{1}{\delta^p}f(\delta z)} = 1 + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} b_n \delta^{n-p} z^{n-p}.$$

In view of Lemma 1, we have to show that

$$\sum_{n=p+2}^{\infty} (n-p-1)|b_n||\delta|^{n-p} \leqq \lambda.$$

Note that  $f(z) \in \mathcal{S}_p^*(\alpha)$  satisfies

$$|b_n| \leq \frac{p-\alpha}{n+\alpha-2p} < 1 \quad (p-1 \leq \alpha < p).$$

Applying Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, we obtain that

$$\sum_{n=p+2}^{\infty} (n-p-1)|b_n||\delta|^{n-p} \leq \left(\sum_{n=p+2}^{\infty} (n-p-1)|b_n|^2\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\sum_{n=p+2}^{\infty} (n-p-1)|\delta|^{2(n-p)}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\leq \left(\sum_{n=p+2}^{\infty} (n-p-1)|\delta|^{2(n-p)}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \sqrt{p-\alpha}.$$

Let  $|\delta|^2 = x$ . Then, we have that

$$\sum_{n=p+2}^{\infty} (n-p-1)x^{n-p} = x^2 \left( \sum_{n=p+2}^{\infty} (n-p-1)x^{n-p-2} \right)$$

$$= x^2 \left( \sum_{n=p+2}^{\infty} x^{n-p-1} \right)'$$

$$= x^2 \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x^{n-1} \right)$$

$$= \frac{x^2}{(1-x)^2}.$$

This gives us that

$$\sum_{n=p+2}^{\infty} (n-p-1)|b_n||\delta|^{n-p} \leq \frac{|\delta|^2 \sqrt{p-\alpha}}{1-|\delta|^2}.$$

Let us define the function  $h(|\delta|)$  by

$$h\big(|\delta|\big) = |\delta|^2 \sqrt{p-\alpha} - \big(1-|\delta|^2\big)\lambda.$$

Then,  $h(|\delta|)$  satisfies  $h(0) = -\lambda < 0$  and  $h(1) = \sqrt{p - \alpha} > 0$ . Indeed, we have that  $h(|\delta_0(\lambda)|) = 0$  for

$$0<|\delta_0(\lambda)|=\sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{\lambda+\sqrt{p-\alpha}}}<1.$$

This completes the proof of the theorem.

**Corollary 1** Let  $f(z) \in \mathcal{S}_1^*(\alpha)$   $(0 \le \alpha < 1)$  with

$$\frac{z}{f(z)} = 1 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} b_n z^{n-1} \neq 0 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U})$$

and  $b_n = |b_n| e^{i(n-1)\theta}$  (n = 2, 3, 4,...). If  $\delta \in \mathbb{C}$   $(|\delta| < 1)$ , then  $\frac{1}{\delta}f(\delta z)$  belongs to the class  $\mathcal{U}_1(\lambda)$  for  $0 < |\delta| \leq |\delta_0(\lambda)|$ , where  $|\delta_0(\lambda)|$  is the smallest positive root of the equation

$$|\delta|^2 \sqrt{1-\alpha} - (1-|\delta|^2)\lambda = 0,$$

that is.

$$|\delta_0(\lambda)| = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \sqrt{1 - \alpha}}}.$$

**Remark 2** In view of (3.2), we define the function  $g(\lambda)$  by

$$g(\lambda) = |\delta_0(\lambda)| = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \sqrt{p - \alpha}}}.$$

Then, we have that

$$g'(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{p-\alpha}{\lambda(\lambda + \sqrt{p-\alpha})^3}} > 0$$

for  $\lambda > 0$ . Therefore,  $|\delta_0(\lambda)|$  given by (3.2) is increasing for  $\lambda > 0$ .

**Remark 3** If we put  $\alpha = p - \frac{1}{2}$  in Theorem 1, then

$$|\delta_0(\lambda)| = \sqrt{\frac{2\lambda}{2\lambda + \sqrt{2}}}.$$

Therefore, if we consider  $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$ , then we see that

$$\left|\delta_0\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\right| = \sqrt{\frac{1}{1+\sqrt{2}}} = 0.64359\dots$$

and if we make  $\lambda = 5$ , then we have that

$$|\delta_0(5)| = \sqrt{\frac{10}{10 + \sqrt{2}}} = 0.93600...$$

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