

A criteria of ϕ -like functions¹

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Abstract

In this paper, we obtain some sufficient conditions for a normalized analytic function to be ϕ -like and starlike of order α .

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1 Introduction

Let \mathcal{A} be the class of functions f which are analytic in the unit disc $E = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ and are normalized by the conditions $f(0) = f'(0) - 1 = 0$. Denote by $S^*(\alpha)$ and $K(\alpha)$, the classes of starlike functions of order α and convex functions of order α respectively, which are analytically defined as follows

$$S^*(\alpha) = \left\{ f(z) \in \mathcal{A} : \Re \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} > \alpha, z \in E \right\}$$

and

$$K(\alpha) = \left\{ f(z) \in \mathcal{A} : \Re \left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) > \alpha, z \in E \right\}$$

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where α is a real number such that $0 \leq \alpha < 1$. We shall use S^* and K to denote $S^*(0)$ and $K(0)$, respectively which are the classes of univalent starlike (w.r.t. the origin) and univalent convex functions.

Let f and g be analytic in E . We say that f is subordinate to g in E , written as $f(z) \prec g(z)$ in E , if g is univalent in E , $f(0) = g(0)$ and $f(E) \subset g(E)$.

Denote by $S^*[A, B]$, $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$, the class of functions $f \in \mathcal{A}$ which satisfy

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz}, \quad z \in E.$$

Note that $S^*[1 - 2\alpha, -1] = S^*(\alpha)$, $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ and $S^*[1, -1] = S^*$.

A function $f, f'(0) \neq 0$, is said to be close-to-convex in E , if and only if, there is a starlike function h (not necessarily normalized) such that

$$\Re \frac{zf'(z)}{h(z)} > 0, \quad z \in E.$$

Let ϕ be analytic in a domain containing $f(E)$, $\phi(0) = 0$ and $\Re \phi'(0) > 0$, then, the function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ is said to be ϕ -like in E if

$$\Re \frac{zf'(z)}{\phi(f(z))} > 0, \quad z \in E.$$

This concept was introduced by L. Brickman [1]. He proved that an analytic function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ is univalent if and only if f is ϕ -like for some ϕ . Later, Ruscheweyh [8] investigated the following general class of ϕ -like functions: Let ϕ be analytic in a domain containing $f(E)$, $\phi(0) = 0, \phi'(0) = 1$ and $\phi(w) \neq 0$ for $w \in f(E) - \{0\}$, then the function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ is called ϕ -like with respect to a univalent function $q, q(0) = 1$, if

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{\phi(f(z))} \prec q(z), \quad z \in E.$$

In the present note, we obtain some sufficient conditions for a normalized analytic function to be ϕ -like. In [9], Silverman defined the class G_b as

$$G_b = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{A} : \left| \frac{1 + zf''(z)/f'(z)}{zf'(z)/f(z)} - 1 \right| < b, \quad z \in E \right\}$$

and proved that the functions in the class G_b are starlike in E . Later on, this class was studied extensively by Tuneski [4,11,12,13,14,15]. As particular cases, we obtain many interesting results for the class G_b . Most of the results proved by Tuneski follow as corollaries to our theorem.

2 Preliminaries

We shall need following definition and lemmas to prove our results.

Definition 2.1. A function $L(z, t)$, $z \in E$ and $t \geq 0$ is said to be a subordination chain if $L(., t)$ is analytic and univalent in E for all $t \geq 0$, $L(z, .)$ is continuously differentiable on $[0, \infty)$ for all $z \in E$ and $L(z, t_1) \prec L(z, t_2)$ for all $0 \leq t_1 \leq t_2$.

Lemma 2.1 [5, page 159]. The function $L(z, t) : E \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, (\mathbb{C} is the set of complex numbers), of the form $L(z, t) = a_1(t)z + \dots$ with $a_1(t) \neq 0$ for all $t \geq 0$, and $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |a_1(t)| = \infty$, is said to be a subordination chain if and only if $\operatorname{Re} \left[\frac{z \partial L / \partial z}{\partial L / \partial t} \right] > 0$ for all $z \in E$ and $t \geq 0$.

Lemma 2.2 [3]. Let F be analytic in E and let G be analytic and univalent in \bar{E} except for points ζ_0 such that $\lim_{z \rightarrow \zeta_0} F(z) = \infty$, with $F(0) = G(0)$. If $F \not\prec G$ in E , then there is a point $z_0 \in E$ and $\zeta_0 \in \partial E$ (boundary of E) such that $F(|z| < |z_0|) \subset G(E)$, $F(z_0) = G(\zeta_0)$ and $z_0 F'(z_0) = m \zeta_0 G'(\zeta_0)$ for some $m \geq 1$.

3 Main Result

Lemma 3.1. Let $\gamma, \Re \gamma \geq 0$, be a complex number. Let q be univalent function such that either $\frac{zq'(z)}{q^2(z)}$ is starlike in E or $\frac{1}{q(z)}$ is convex in E . If an analytic function p , satisfies the differential subordination

$$(3.1) \quad 1 - \frac{\gamma}{p(z)} + \frac{zp'(z)}{p^2(z)} \prec 1 - \frac{\gamma}{q(z)} + \frac{zq'(z)}{q^2(z)}, \quad p(0) = q(0) = 1, \quad z \in E,$$

then $p(z) \prec q(z)$ and $q(z)$ is the best dominant.

Proof. Let us define a function

$$(3.2) \quad h(z) = 1 - \frac{\gamma}{q(z)} + \frac{zq'(z)}{q^2(z)}, \quad z \in E.$$

Firstly, we will prove that $h(z)$ is univalent in E so that the subordination (3.1) is well-defined in E . Differentiating (3.2) and simplifying a little, we get

$$\frac{zh'(z)}{Q(z)} = \gamma + \frac{zQ'(z)}{Q(z)}, \quad z \in E,$$

where $Q(z) = \frac{zq'(z)}{q^2(z)}$. In view of the given conditions, we obtain

$$\Re \frac{zh'(z)}{Q(z)} > 0, \quad z \in E.$$

Thus, $h(z)$ is close-to-convex and hence univalent in E . We need to show that that $p \prec q$. Suppose to the contrary that $p \not\prec q$ in E . Then by Lemma 2.2, there exist points $z_0 \in E$ and $\zeta_0 \in \partial E$ such that $p(z_0) = q(\zeta_0)$ and $z_0p'(z_0) = m\zeta_0q'(\zeta_0)$, $m \geq 1$. Then

$$(3.3) \quad 1 - \frac{\gamma}{p(z_0)} + \frac{z_0p'(z_0)}{p^2(z_0)} = 1 - \frac{\gamma}{q(\zeta_0)} + \frac{m\zeta_0q'(\zeta_0)}{q^2(\zeta_0)}, \quad z \in E.$$

Consider a function

$$(3.4) \quad L(z, t) = 1 - \frac{\gamma}{q(z)} + (1+t) \frac{zq'(z)}{q^2(z)}, \quad z \in E.$$

The function $L(z, t)$ is analytic in E for all $t \geq 0$ and is continuously differentiable on $[0, \infty)$ for all $z \in E$. Now,

$$a_1(t) = \left(\frac{\partial L(z, t)}{\partial z} \right)_{(0, t)} = q'(0)(\gamma + 1 + t).$$

In view of the condition that $\Re \gamma \geq 0$, we get $|\arg(\gamma + 1 + t)| \leq \pi/2$. Also, as q is univalent in E , so, $q'(0) \neq 0$. Therefore, it follows that $a_1(t) \neq 0$ and

$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |a_1(t)| = \infty$. A simple calculation yields

$$z \frac{\partial L / \partial z}{\partial L / \partial t} = \gamma + (1+t) \frac{zQ'(z)}{Q(z)}, \quad z \in E.$$

Clearly

$$\Re z \frac{\partial L / \partial z}{\partial L / \partial t} > 0, \quad z \in E,$$

in view of given conditions. Hence, $L(z, t)$ is a subordination chain. Therefore, $L(z, t_1) \prec L(z, t_2)$ for $0 \leq t_1 \leq t_2$. From (3.4), we have $L(z, 0) = h(z)$, thus we deduce that $L(\zeta_0, t) \notin h(E)$ for $|\zeta_0| = 1$ and $t \geq 0$. In view of (3.3) and (3.4), we can write

$$1 - \frac{\gamma}{p(z_0)} + \frac{z_0 p'(z_0)}{p^2(z_0)} = L(\zeta_0, m-1) \notin h(E),$$

where $z_0 \in E$, $|\zeta_0| = 1$ and $m \geq 1$ which is a contradiction to (3.1). Hence, $p \prec q$. This completes the proof of the Lemma.

Theorem 3.1. *Let $\gamma, \Re \gamma \geq 0$, be a complex number. Let $q, q(0) = 1$, be a univalent function such that $\frac{zq'(z)}{q^2(z)}$ is starlike in E or, equivalently, $\frac{1}{q(z)}$ is convex in E . If an analytic function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfies the differential subordination*

$$1 + \frac{1 - \gamma + zf''(z)/f'(z)}{zf'(z)/\phi(f(z))} - \frac{(\phi(f(z)))'}{f'(z)} \prec 1 - \frac{\gamma}{q(z)} + \frac{zq'(z)}{q^2(z)}, \quad z \in E,$$

for some function ϕ , analytic in a domain containing $f(E)$, $\phi(0) = 0, \phi'(0) = 1$ and $\phi(w) \neq 0$ for $w \in f(E) - \{0\}$, then $\frac{zf'(z)}{\phi(f(z))} \prec q(z)$ and $q(z)$ is the best dominant.

Proof. The proof of the theorem follows by writing $p(z) = \frac{zf'(z)}{\phi(f(z))}$ in Lemma 3.1.

In particular, for $\phi(w) = w$ and $q(z) = \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)}$ in Theorem 3.1, we obtain the following result.

Theorem 3.2. *Let $\gamma, \Re \gamma \geq 0$, be a complex number. Let $g \in \mathcal{A}$ be such that $\frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} = q(z)$ is univalent in E . Assume that either $\frac{zq'(z)}{q^2(z)}$ is starlike*

in E or $\frac{1}{q(z)}$ is convex in E . If an analytic function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfies the differential subordination

$$\frac{1 - \gamma + zf''(z)/f'(z)}{zf'(z)/f(z)} \prec \frac{1 - \gamma + zg''(z)/g'(z)}{zg'(z)/g(z)}, \quad z \in E,$$

then $\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \prec \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)}$.

4 Applications to univalent functions

In this section, we obtain a criterion for a normalized analytic function to be ϕ -like. As an application of Theorems 3.1 and 3.2, we obtain some new conditions and also few existing conditions for a function to be in the class S^* and $S^*(\alpha)$.

When the dominant is $q(z) = \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$. We observe that q is univalent in E and $\frac{1}{q(z)}$ is convex in E where $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$. From Theorem 3.1, we deduce the following result.

Theorem 4.1. *Let $\gamma, \Re \gamma \geq 0$, be a complex number and A and B be real numbers $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$. Let $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfy the differential subordination*

$$1 + \frac{1 - \gamma + zf''(z)/f'(z)}{zf'(z)/\phi(f(z))} - \frac{(\phi(f(z)))'}{f'(z)} \prec 1 - \gamma \frac{1 + Bz}{1 + Az} + \frac{(A - B)z}{(1 + Az)^2}, \quad z \in E,$$

for some function ϕ , analytic in a domain containing $f(E)$, $\phi(0) = 0$, $\phi'(0) = 1$ and $\phi(w) \neq 0$ for $w \in f(E) - \{0\}$, then $\frac{zf'(z)}{\phi(f(z))} \prec \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$, $z \in E$.

As an example, if we take $\gamma = i$, $A = 0$, $B = -1$ in Theorem 4.1, we obtain the following result.

Example 4.1. Let $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfy

$$\left| \frac{1 - \gamma + zf''(z)/f'(z)}{zf'(z)/\phi(f(z))} - \frac{(\phi(f(z)))'}{f'(z)} + i \right| < \sqrt{2}, \quad z \in E,$$

then $\frac{zf'(z)}{\phi(f(z))} \prec \frac{1}{1-z}$, $z \in E$.

In particular, for $\gamma = 0$ and $A = 1, B = -1$, Theorem 4.1, reduces to the following result.

Corollary 4.1. *Let $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfy the differential subordination*

$$\frac{1 + zf''(z)/f'(z)}{zf'(z)/\phi(f(z))} - \frac{(\phi(f(z)))'}{f'(z)} \prec \frac{2z}{(1+z)^2}, \quad z \in E,$$

for some function ϕ , analytic in a domain containing $f(E)$, $\phi(0) = 0, \phi'(0) = 1$ and $\phi(w) \neq 0$ for $w \in f(E) - \{0\}$, then $\operatorname{Re} \frac{zf'(z)}{\phi(f(z))} > 0, z \in E$.

Note that several such results are available for different substitutions of constants A, B .

For the dominant $q(z) = \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}$, Theorem 3.2 gives us the following result.

Theorem 4.2. *Let $\gamma, \Re \gamma \geq 0$, be a complex number and A and B be real numbers $-1 \leq B < A \leq 1$. Let $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfy the differential subordination*

$$\frac{1 - \gamma + zf''(z)/f'(z)}{zf'(z)/f(z)} \prec 1 - \gamma \frac{1 + Bz}{1 + Az} + \frac{(A - B)z}{(1 + Az)^2}, \quad z \in E,$$

then $f \in S^*[A, B]$.

Writing $\gamma = 1$ in Theorem 4.2, we obtain the following result.

Corollary 4.2. *If $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfies the differential subordination*

$$\frac{f''(z)f(z)}{f'^2(z)} \prec 1 - \frac{1 + Bz}{1 + Az} + \frac{(A - B)z}{(1 + Az)^2}, \quad z \in E, \quad -1 \leq B < A \leq 1$$

then $f \in S^*[A, B]$.

Writing $A = 0$ in Theorem 4.2, we obtain the following result.

Corollary 4.3. *Let $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfy*

$$\left| \frac{1 - \gamma + zf''(z)/f'(z)}{zf'(z)/f(z)} - (1 - \gamma) \right| < (1 + \gamma)B, \quad z \in E, \gamma \geq 0, 0 < B \leq 1,$$

then

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \prec \frac{1}{1 + Bz}, \quad z \in E.$$

In particular, for $\gamma = 1$, in Corollary 4.3, we obtain the following result.

Corollary 4.4. *Let $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfy*

$$\left| \frac{f(z)f''(z)}{f'^2(z)} \right| < 2B, \quad z \in E, \quad 0 < B \leq 1,$$

then

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \prec \frac{1}{1+Bz}, \quad z \in E.$$

The selection of $B = 0$ in Theorem 4.2 gives us the following result.

Corollary 4.5. *Let $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfy*

$$\frac{1 - \gamma + zf''(z)/f'(z)}{zf'(z)/f(z)} \prec 1 - \frac{\gamma}{1 + Az} + \frac{Az}{(1 + Az)^2}, \quad z \in E, \quad \gamma \geq 0, \quad 0 < A \leq 1,$$

then

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right| < A, \quad z \in E.$$

In particular, for $\gamma = 0$ in Corollary 4.5, we obtain the following result.

Corollary 4.6. *Let $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfy*

$$\frac{1 + zf''(z)/f'(z)}{zf'(z)/f(z)} \prec 1 + \frac{Az}{(1 + Az)^2}, \quad z \in E, \quad 0 < A \leq 1,$$

then

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right| < A, \quad z \in E.$$

Taking $\gamma = 1$ in corollary 4.5, we obtain the following result.

Corollary 4.7. *If*

$$\frac{f(z)f''(z)}{f'^2(z)} \prec 1 - \frac{1}{(1 + Az)^2}, \quad z \in E, \quad 0 < A \leq 1,$$

then

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right| < A, \quad z \in E.$$

Remark 4.1. (i) *Writing $\gamma = 0$ in Theorem 4.2, we obtain the Theorem 2.3 in [14].*

- (ii) Writing $A = -1, B = 1$ in Theorem 4.2, we obtain Theorem 1 of [15].
- (iii) Taking $A = 1, B = -1, \gamma = 0$ in Theorem 4.2, we obtain Theorem 3 in [4].
- (iv) Taking $A = -1, B = 1, \gamma = 1$ in Theorem 4.2, we get Theorem 1 in [12].
- (v) Taking $A = 0, \gamma = 0$ in Theorem 4.2, we obtain Theorem 1 in [4].
- (vi) Writing $A = 0, B = -1, \gamma = 1$ in Theorem 4.2, we obtain the following result:

If $f \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfies, $\frac{f''(z)f(z)}{f'(z)^2} \prec 2z, z \in E$, then $f \in S^*(1/2)$.

This is an improvement of Corollary 2 proved in [12].

- (vii) Taking $A = -(1 - 2\alpha), B = 1, 0 \leq \alpha < 1$ in Theorem 4.2, we get the Theorem 3 in [15].
- (viii) Writing $A = -(1 - 2\alpha), B = 1, 0 \leq \alpha < 1$ and $\gamma = 0$ in Theorem 4.2, we obtain Corollary 4(i) in [15].
- (ix) Writing $A = -(1 - 2\alpha), B = 1, 0 \leq \alpha < 1$ and for $\gamma = 1$ in Theorem 4.2, Corollary 4(ii) in [15] follows.
- (x) For $B = \frac{1-\beta}{\beta}, 1/2 \leq \beta < 1$ in Corollary 4.4, we obtain the result of Robertson [7].
- (xi) Taking $q(z) = \frac{2\alpha}{1+z}$ in Theorem 3.2, we obtain Theorem 2 in [15].

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