
Introduction to univalent functions

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Exercise 8

1. Show that $|a_2^2 - a_3| \leq \frac{1}{3}(1 - |a_2|^2)$ for $f \in C$.

2. Show that

$$\frac{|z|}{1 + |z|} \leq |f(z)| \leq \frac{|z|}{1 - |z|}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$

for all $f \in C$. Equality occurs only for functions $z(1 - \xi z)^{-1}$, where $|\xi| = 1$.

3. Let k denote the K be function. Show that $\log \frac{k(z)}{z}$ *is a convex function* belongs to C .

4. Let k denote the K be function. Show that $\log k'(z)$ *is a starlike function* belongs to S^* .

5. Use the Herglotz formula to show that each $f \in S^*$ has a unique representation

$$f(z) = z \exp \left(\int_0^{2\pi} \log \frac{k_\varphi(z)}{z} d\mu(\varphi) \right),$$

where μ is a unit measure and $k_\varphi(z) = z(1 - e^{i\varphi}z)^{-2}$ is a rotation of K be. Observe further that this formula represents a starlike function for any choice of the unit measure μ .

If extra tasks needed, one can take a look at the exercises 12–14 on p. 71 in Duren's book.

Exercise 8

1. Let $f \in C$. Then the function $g(z) = z f'(\xi z)$, $|\xi| = 1$, belongs to S^* by Theorems 17.3 and 1.1, and

$$g(z) = z + 2\xi a_2 z^2 + 3\xi^2 a_3 z^3 + \dots, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$

where a_j are the Maclaurin coefficients of f . By the discussion at the end of section 1, the function $F(z) = \frac{1}{g(\frac{1}{z})}$, $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \overline{\mathbb{D}}$, belongs to Σ and

$$F(z) = z + b_0 + b_1 z^{-1} + b_2 z^{-2} + \dots, \quad z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \overline{\mathbb{D}}.$$

Thus

$$\left(\frac{1}{z} + \frac{2\xi a_2}{z^2} + \frac{3\xi^2 a_3}{z^3} + \dots \right)^{-1} = g\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)^{-1} = F(z) = z + b_0 + b_1 z^{-1} + \dots$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 1 = 1 + \frac{2\xi a_2 + b_0}{z} + \frac{3\xi^2 a_3 + 2\xi a_2 b_0 + b_1}{z^2} + \dots, \quad z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \overline{\mathbb{D}},$$

so $2\xi a_2 + b_0 = 0$ and $3\xi^2 a_3 + 2\xi a_2 b_0 + b_1 = 0$, and hence $b_1 = (4a_2^2 - 3a_3)\xi^2$.

By choosing $\xi \in \mathbb{T}$ such that $b_1 - \xi^2 a_2^2 = |b_1| - |a_2|^2$ we get

$3|a_2^2 - a_3| = |b_1| - |a_2|^2$, and since $|b_1| \leq 1$ by Corollary 2.4,

$$|a_2^2 - a_3| \leq \frac{1}{3}(1 - |a_2|^2). \quad \square$$

2. Let $f \in C$ and $g(z) = z f'(z)$, so that $g \in S^*$ by Theorem 17.3. By Theorem 5.3, we have

$$\frac{|z|}{(1+|z|)^2} \leq |g(z)| = |z| |f'(z)| \leq \frac{|z|}{(1-|z|)^2}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$

so

$$\frac{1}{(1+|z|)^2} \leq |f'(z)| \leq \frac{1}{(1-|z|)^2}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}. \quad (*)$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} |f(z)| &\leq \int_0^z |f'(\xi)| |d\xi| = \int_0^1 |f'(t z)| |z| dt \leq \int_0^1 \frac{|z| dt}{(1-t|z|)^2} \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{1-t|z|} \right]_{t=0}^1 = \frac{1}{1-|z|} - \frac{1-|z|}{1-|z|} = \frac{|z|}{1-|z|}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}. \end{aligned}$$

To show the lower bound, let $z \in \mathbb{D}$ and note that, since f is convex, the segment $[0, f(z)]$ is contained in $f(\mathbb{D})$. Define a curve $\gamma \subset \mathbb{D}$ as $\gamma(t) = f^{-1}(t f(z))$, $t \in [0, 1]$. Since $|f(z)|$ is the length of the line segment $[0, f(z)] \subset f(\mathbb{D})$, we have

$$|f(z)| = \int_0^{f(z)} |dw| = \int_\gamma |f'(\xi)| |d\xi| = \int_0^1 |f'(\gamma(t))| |\gamma'(t)| dt.$$

Because

$$\frac{d|\gamma(t)|}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} (\gamma(t) \overline{\gamma(t)})^{1/2} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\gamma'(t) \overline{\gamma(t)} + \gamma(t) \overline{\gamma'(t)}}{(\gamma(t) \overline{\gamma(t)})^{1/2}} = \frac{\operatorname{Re}(\gamma'(t) \overline{\gamma(t)})}{|\gamma(t)|} \leq \frac{|\gamma'(t)| |\gamma(t)|}{|\gamma(t)|} = |\gamma'(t)|,$$

(*) gives

$$|f(z)| \geq \int_0^1 \frac{1}{(1+|r(t)|)^2} \frac{d}{dt} |r(t)| dt = \int_0^{|z|} \frac{dr}{(1+r)^2} = - \left[\frac{1}{1+r} \right]_{r=0}^{|z|} = -\frac{1}{1+|z|} + 1$$

$$= \frac{|z|}{1+|z|}.$$

Moreover, by Theorem 5.3, equality in (*) can occur only if g is a rotation of the Kőbe function, that is, $g(z) = \frac{z}{(1-\xi z)^2}$ for some $\xi \in \mathbb{T}$. But then $f'(z) = (1-\xi z)^{-2}$, so

$$f(z) = \int_0^z \frac{dw}{(1-\xi w)^2} = \frac{1}{\xi} \left[\frac{1}{1-\xi w} \right]_{w=0}^z = \frac{1}{\xi} \frac{1-(1-\xi z)}{1-\xi z} = \frac{z}{1-\xi z},$$

which completes the proof. $\square$

3. Denote $f(z) = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{k(z)}{z} = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1}{(1-z)^2}$, $z \in \mathbb{D}$. It suffices to show that $f \in \mathcal{C}^{(*)}$. Now $f(0) = \frac{1}{2} \log 1 = 0$,

$$f'(z) = \frac{1}{2} (1-z)^{-2} \cdot \frac{-2}{(1-z)^3} (-1) = \frac{1}{1-z} \Rightarrow f'(0) = 1$$

and

$$f''(z) = \frac{1}{(1-z)^2}.$$

so $g(z) := 1 + z \frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} = 1 + \frac{z}{1-z} = \frac{1}{1-z}$, $z \in \mathbb{D}$. Since g maps $\mathbb{D}$ onto the right half-plane $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Re} z > \frac{1}{2}\}$, $g \in \mathcal{P}$, and thus $f \in \mathcal{C}$ by Theorem 17.2. $\square$

(*) If f is convex and $\lambda \geq 0$, then for $z, w \in \mathbb{D}$ and $t \in [0, 1]$,

$$(1-t)(\lambda f)(z) + t(\lambda f)(w) = \lambda [(1-t)f(z) + tf(w)] \in \lambda f(\mathbb{D}) = (\lambda f)(\mathbb{D}),$$

and thus λf is also convex.

4. Denote $f(z) = \log k'(z)$. We first show that $f(\mathbb{D})$ is starlike with respect to the origin. Let $r: (0, 2\pi) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ and $\phi: (0, 2\pi) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be such that

$$k'(e^{i\theta}) = \frac{1+e^{i\theta}}{(1-e^{i\theta})^3} = r(\theta) e^{i\phi(\theta)}, \quad \theta \in [0, 2\pi].$$

Now

$$r(\theta) = |k'(e^{i\theta})| = \frac{|1+e^{i\theta}|}{|1-e^{i\theta}|^3} = \frac{\sqrt{(1+\cos\theta)^2 + \sin^2\theta}}{((1-\cos\theta)^2 + \sin^2\theta)^{3/2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{1+\cos\theta}}{2\sqrt{2}(1-\cos\theta)^{3/2}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{(1+\cos\theta)(1-\cos\theta)}}{2(1-\cos\theta)^2} = \frac{|\sin\theta|}{2(1-\cos\theta)^2}, \quad \theta \in (0, 2\pi)$$

and

$$\phi(\theta) = \arg k'(e^{i\theta}) = \arg \frac{(1+e^{i\theta})(1-e^{-i\theta})^3}{|1-e^{i\theta}|^6} = \arg \overbrace{(1+e^{i\theta})(1-e^{-i\theta})}^{= 1+e^{i\theta}-e^{-i\theta}-1} (1-e^{-i\theta})^2$$

$$= \arg(i 2 \sin\theta) + 2 \arg(1-e^{-i\theta}) = \frac{\pi}{2} \operatorname{sign}(\sin\theta) + 2 \arg(1-e^{-i\theta}), \quad \theta \in (0, 2\pi).$$

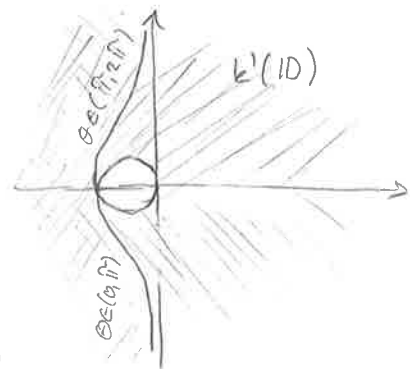
Notice that the image of $(0, 2\pi)$ under $\theta \mapsto 1-e^{-i\theta}$ is a circle of radius 1 and center 1. Since $g(\varphi) = 2\cos\varphi$, $\varphi \in [-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$, is a polar parametrization of the same circle, we have

$$2\cos\varphi = g(\varphi) = |1-e^{-i\theta}| = \sqrt{(1-\cos\theta)^2 + \sin^2\theta} = \sqrt{2}\sqrt{1-\cos\theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1-\cos\theta = 2\cos^2\varphi = 1+\cos(2\varphi) \Leftrightarrow \cos(2\varphi) = -\cos\theta = \cos(\pi-\theta) \Leftrightarrow 2\varphi = \pm(\pi-\theta),$$

and since $\arg(1 - e^{-i\frac{\pi}{2}}) = \frac{\pi}{4} = +\frac{\pi - \frac{\pi}{2}}{2}$, we may disregard the minus sign. Thus $\arg(1 - e^{-i\theta}) = \frac{\pi - \theta}{2}$, $\theta \in (0, 2\pi)$, and consequently

$$\phi(\theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{3\pi}{2} - \theta, & \theta \in (0, \pi), \\ \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta, & \theta \in (\pi, 2\pi). \end{cases}$$



Now

$$f(e^{i\theta}) = R(\theta) + i\phi(\theta),$$

where

$$R(\theta) = \log r(\theta) = \log \frac{1}{2} + \log |\sin \theta| - 2 \log(1 - \cos \theta),$$

and ϕ is as above. Since the curve $\gamma: \theta \mapsto R(\theta) + i\phi(\theta)$, $\theta \in (0, 2\pi)$, is clearly symmetric with respect to the real axis, with intervals $(0, \pi)$ and $(\pi, 2\pi)$ defining the upper and lower halves respectively, it suffices to show that each line segment $[0, R(\theta) + i\phi(\theta)]$, $\theta \in (0, \pi)$, is contained in the region bounded by the curve γ , $\theta \in (0, \pi)$, and the real axis. Now

$$R'(\theta) = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} - 2 \frac{\sin \theta}{1 - \cos \theta} = \frac{\cos \theta - \cos^2 \theta - 2 \sin^2 \theta}{\sin \theta (1 - \cos \theta)} = \frac{\cos \theta - \sin^2 \theta - 1}{\sin \theta (1 - \cos \theta)} < 0$$

and $\phi'(\theta) = -1$ for all $\theta \in (0, \pi)$, so the tangent line of the curve γ is given by

$$y - \phi(\theta) = \frac{-1}{R'(\theta)} (x - R(\theta)), \quad z = x + iy.$$

It suffices to show that the intersection point $x_0 = z_0 = z_0(\theta)$ of the tangent and the real axis satisfies $x_0 < 0$ for all $\theta \in (0, \pi)$.

Now

$$x_0 = \phi(\theta) R'(\theta) + R(\theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx_0}{d\theta} = \phi'(\theta) R'(\theta) + \phi(\theta) R''(\theta) + R'(\theta) = (\phi'(\theta) + 1) R'(\theta) + \phi(\theta) R''(\theta) = \phi(\theta) R''(\theta)$$

since $\phi'(\theta) = -1$ for all $\theta \in (0, \pi)$. Since $\phi(\theta) > \frac{\pi}{2} > 0$ for $\theta \in (0, \pi)$,

$$\begin{aligned} R''(\theta) &= \frac{-\sin^2 \theta - \cos^2 \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} - 2 \frac{\cos \theta (1 - \cos \theta) - \sin^2 \theta}{(1 - \cos \theta)^2} = \frac{-1}{\sin^2 \theta} - 2 \frac{\cos \theta - 1}{(1 - \cos \theta)^2} \\ &= \frac{\cos \theta + 2 \sin^2 \theta - 1}{\sin^2 \theta (1 - \cos \theta)} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 1 - \cos \theta = 2 \sin^2 \theta = 1 - \cos(2\theta)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \cos \theta = \cos(2\theta) \Leftrightarrow \theta = 2\theta \text{ or } \theta = 2\pi - 2\theta$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \theta = 0 \text{ or } \theta = \frac{2\pi}{3}, \quad \theta \in (0, \pi),$$

$R''(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 1 > 0$ and $R''(\theta) \rightarrow -\infty$ as $\theta \rightarrow \pi^-$, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{\theta \in (0, \pi)} x_0 &= x_0\left(\theta = \frac{2\pi}{3}\right) = \left(\frac{3\pi}{2} - \frac{2\pi}{3}\right) \frac{\cos \frac{2\pi}{3} - \sin^2 \frac{2\pi}{3} - 1}{\sin \frac{2\pi}{3} (1 - \cos \frac{2\pi}{3})} + \log \frac{\sin \frac{2\pi}{3}}{2(1 - \cos \frac{2\pi}{3})^2} \\ &= \frac{5\pi}{6} \cdot \frac{-\frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{4} - 1}{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2}} + \log \frac{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}{\frac{1}{2}} = -\frac{5\pi \cdot 3}{2\sqrt{3}} + \log \sqrt{3} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\log 3 - 5\sqrt{3}\pi) < 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, starlikeness of $f(ID)$ is proved.

It remains to show that f is univalent in $\mathbb{D}$. To do this, we use Theorem 2.17 in [Duren], which says that every close-to-convex function is univalent. Hence, it suffices to show that f is close-to-convex, that is, there exists a convex function g in $\mathbb{D}$ such that $\operatorname{Re} \frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} > 0$ for all $z \in \mathbb{D}$. Let

$$g(z) = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1+z}{1-z}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}.$$

Since $z \mapsto \frac{1+z}{1-z}$ maps $\mathbb{D}$ conformally on to the right half-plane $\{\operatorname{Re} z > 0\}$, g is clearly convex. Since

$$f'(z) = \frac{(1-z)^3}{1+z} \cdot \frac{(1-z)^3 - (1+z) \cdot 3(1-z)^2(-1)}{(1-z)^6} = \frac{1-z+3+3z}{1-z^2} = 2 \cdot \frac{2+z}{1-z^2}$$

and

$$g'(z) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1-z}{1+z} \cdot \frac{1-z+(1+z)}{(1-z)^2} = \frac{1}{1-z^2},$$

we have that

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} = \operatorname{Re} (2(2+z)) > 2$$

for $z \in \mathbb{D}$, and the assertion follows. $\square$

5. Let $f \in \mathcal{S}^*$, so that $g \in \mathcal{P}$, $g(z) = z \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)}$ by Theorem 17.1. Then, by Corollary 16.3, there exists a unique increasing function $\mu_0: [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that $\mu_0(2\pi) - \mu_0(0) = \operatorname{Re} g(0) = 1$ and

$$g(z) = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{e^{it} + z}{e^{it} - z} d\mu(t) + i \underbrace{\operatorname{Im} g(0)}_{=0}.$$

By a change of variable $\varphi = -t$ we find a unit measure μ of $[0, 2\pi]$ such that

$$g(z) = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1 + e^{i\varphi} z}{1 - e^{i\varphi} z} d\mu(\varphi), \quad z \in \mathbb{D}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} g(z) - 1 &= \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1 + e^{i\varphi} z}{1 - e^{i\varphi} z} d\mu(\varphi) - \int_0^{2\pi} d\mu(\varphi) \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1 + e^{i\varphi} z - (1 - e^{i\varphi} z)}{1 - e^{i\varphi} z} d\mu(\varphi) = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{2e^{i\varphi} z}{1 - e^{i\varphi} z} d\mu(\varphi) \\ &= z \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{2e^{i\varphi}}{1 - e^{i\varphi} z} d\mu(\varphi), \quad z \in \mathbb{D}, \end{aligned}$$

and since $g(z) - 1 = z \left(\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} - \frac{1}{z} \right) = z \frac{d}{dz} \log \frac{f(z)}{z}$, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \log \frac{f(z)}{z} &= \int_0^z \left(\frac{f(\xi)}{f(\xi)} - \frac{1}{\xi} \right) d\xi = \int_0^z \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{2e^{i\varphi}}{1 - e^{i\varphi} \xi} d\mu(\varphi) d\xi \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} -2 \int_0^z \frac{e^{i\varphi}}{(1 - e^{i\varphi} \xi)^2} d\xi d\mu(\varphi) = \int_0^{2\pi} \log (1 - e^{i\varphi} z)^{-2} d\mu(\varphi) = \int_0^{2\pi} \log \frac{k_\varphi(z)}{z} d\mu(\varphi). \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$f(z) = z \exp \left(\int_0^{2\pi} \log \frac{k_\varphi(z)}{z} d\mu(\varphi) \right).$$

Let now μ be a unit measure on $[0, 2\pi]$ and

$$f(z) = z \exp \left(\int_0^{2\pi} \log \frac{k_\varphi(z)}{z} d\mu(\varphi) \right), \quad z \in \mathbb{D}.$$

Clearly f is analytic in $\mathbb{D}$ and

$$\begin{aligned} f'(z) &= \exp \left(\int_0^{2\pi} \log \frac{k_\varphi(z)}{z} d\mu(\varphi) \right) + z \exp \left(\int_0^{2\pi} \log \frac{k_\varphi(z)}{z} d\mu(\varphi) \right) \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{z}{k_\varphi(z)} k'_\varphi(z) d\mu(\varphi) \\ &= \left[1 + z \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{z e^{i\varphi}}{1 - e^{i\varphi} z} d\mu(\varphi) \right] \exp \left(\int_0^{2\pi} \log \frac{k_\varphi(z)}{z} d\mu(\varphi) \right), \end{aligned}$$

and thus

$$z \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} = 1 + \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{z e^{i\varphi} z}{1 - e^{i\varphi} z} d\mu(\varphi), \quad z \in \mathbb{D}.$$

Since the linear fractional transformation $z \mapsto \frac{z}{1-z}$ maps $\mathbb{D}$ onto $\{z \in \mathbb{C}; \operatorname{Re} z > -1\}$, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \left(z \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} \right) &= 1 + \int_0^{2\pi} \operatorname{Re} \frac{z e^{i\varphi} z}{1 - e^{i\varphi} z} d\mu(\varphi) \\ &> 1 + \int_0^{2\pi} (-1) d\mu(\varphi) = 1 - 1 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since also $f(0) = 0$ and

$$f'(0) = \exp \left(\int_0^{2\pi} \log 1 d\mu(\varphi) \right) = e^0 = 1,$$

Theorem 17.1 implies that $f \in S^*$. $\square$

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Exercise 9 (June)

1. Let $f \in \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{D})$ such that $f(0) = 0$ and $f'(0) = 1$. Show that $f \in S^*$ if and only if

$$\int_0^z \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta} d\zeta \in C.$$

2. Show that each $f \in S^*$ can be written in the form $f(z) = zg'(z)$ for some $g \in C$. Show also that each $f \in C$ can be written in the form

$$\int_0^z \frac{g(\zeta)}{\zeta} d\zeta, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$

for some $g \in S^*$.

3. Complete the proof of Kaplan's theorem by using normal family arguments. See Duren for a hint if needed.
4. Duren p. 72 19.
5. Duren p. 72 20.
6. Duren p. 72 21.
7. Let ϕ be a convex and nondecreasing function on the real line. Show that for each $f \in S$,

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \phi \left(\log \frac{\rho}{|f(re^{i\theta})|} \right) d\theta \leq \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \phi \left(\log \frac{\rho}{|k(re^{i\theta})|} \right) d\theta$$

for $0 < r < 1$ and $\rho > 0$. Conclude that $M_p(r, 1/f) \leq M_p(r, 1/k)$ for $0 < r < 1$ and $0 < p < \infty$.

17. Given the result of Baernstein [1] that $M_1(r, f) \leq r(1 - r^2)^{-1}$ for all $f \in S$, deduce that $|a_n| < (e/2)n$ for $n = 2, 3, \dots$. *Caveat*: This depends upon the inequality

$$\left(1 + \frac{2}{n}\right)^{n/2} < \frac{n+1}{n+2} e, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

18. Prove the Bieberbach conjecture for close-to-convex functions. In other words, show that $|a_n| \leq n$ for $f \in K$, with equality only for rotations of the Koebe function. (Reade [1].)

9 19. Let α be a real number with $0 < |\alpha| < \pi/2$. Show that the function

$$f(z) = z(1 - z)^{-2e^{i\alpha}\cos\alpha}$$

is α -spirallike but not close-to-convex. (*Hint*: Show that the condition (11) of Theorem 2.18 is violated.)

5 20. Suppose $0 < \alpha < \pi/2$. Show that the function $f(z) = z(1 - z)^{-\rho e^{i\alpha}}$ is α -spirallike if $0 < \rho \leq 2 \cos \alpha$, but is not spirallike if $\rho > 2 \cos \alpha$.

6 21. Show that if $\cos \varphi \neq 0$, the function

$$f(z) = (z - z^2 \cos \varphi)(1 - e^{i\varphi}z)^{-2}$$

maps $\mathbb{D}$ onto the complement of a nonradial half-line. Verify that f is close-to-convex but not spirallike.

22. Let $f(z) = z + a_2 z^2 + \dots$ be a function in S .

(a) Prove that $|a_n| \leq n$ for all n if $\operatorname{Re}\{\sqrt{f(z)/z}\} > \frac{1}{2}$ in $\mathbb{D}$.

(b) Prove that $|a_n| \leq 1$ for all n if f is odd and $\operatorname{Re}\{f(z)/z\} > \frac{1}{2}$ in $\mathbb{D}$.

(Dvořák [1].)

23. For each convex function $f \in C$, show that

$$F(z, \zeta) = \begin{cases} \frac{2zf'(z)}{f'(z) - f'(\zeta)} - \frac{z + \zeta}{z - \zeta}, & z \neq \zeta, \\ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}, & z = \zeta, \end{cases}$$

has positive real part for all points $(z, \zeta) \in \mathbb{D}^2$. (*Hint*: A domain is convex if and only if it is starlike with respect to each of its points.) Deduce that each $f \in C$

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Exercise 9 (June)

1. Denote $g(z) = \int_0^z \frac{f(\xi)}{\xi} d\xi$, $z \in D$. Then

$$g'(z) = \frac{f(z)}{z} \quad \text{and} \quad g''(z) = \frac{f'(z)z - f(z)}{z^2},$$

so

$$1 + z \frac{g''(z)}{g'(z)} = 1 + z \frac{f'(z)z - f(z)}{f(z)z} = 1 + z \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 = z \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)}.$$

If now $f \in S^*$, then $z \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} \in P$ by Theorem 17.2. Thus $1 + z \frac{g''(z)}{g'(z)} \in P$, so by Theorem 17.1 $g \in C$. Conversely, if $g \in C$, then $z \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} = 1 + z \frac{g''(z)}{g'(z)} \in P$ and thus $f \in S^*$. $\square$

2. By Problem 1, $g(z) = \int_0^z \frac{f(\xi)}{\xi} d\xi$ belongs to C for all $f \in S^*$. Then $g'(z) = \frac{f(z)}{z}$, and thus $f(z) = zg'(z)$, $g \in C$.

Let $f \in C$ and define $g(z) = zf'(z)$. Then, by the calculation done in Problem 1, $1 + z \frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} = z \frac{g''(z)}{g'(z)}$, and since $1 + z \frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} \in P$ by Theorem 17.1, Theorem 17.2 gives $g \in S^*$. Also, by the definition of g , we have

$$f(z) = \int_0^z \frac{g(\xi)}{\xi} d\xi, \quad z \in D. \quad \square$$

3. Now $g_s(0) = 0$ and

$$g'_s(0) = e^{i\alpha_s} e^{i\beta_s(0)} \in \Pi, \quad 0 < s < 1.$$

Hence, for each $s_0 \in (0, 1)$, the family $\{g_s : s > s_0\}$ is a normal family in $D(0, s_0)$ (*). Thus, we find a sequence $\{g_{s_k}\}$ with $s_k \rightarrow 1$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$ that converges uniformly on compact subsets of $D(0, s_0)$ (or D , since $s_0 \in (0, 1)$ was arbitrary) to an analytic function g . By the properties of g_s , g is convex and

$$|\arg f'(z) - \arg g'(z)| \leq \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad z \in D,$$

so $\operatorname{Re} \frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} \geq 0$, $z \in D$. Thus f is close to convex. $\square$

(*) $\{g_s : s > s_0\}$ is locally bounded by the growth theorem:

$$\frac{1}{s} |g_s(z)| \leq \frac{|z|}{(1-|z|)^2}, \quad z \in D$$

$$\Rightarrow |g_s(w)| \leq s \frac{\frac{|w|}{s}}{(1-\frac{|w|}{s})^2} = s^2 \frac{|w|}{(s-|w|)^2} \leq s^2 \frac{s_0}{(s-r)^2} \leq \frac{s_0}{(s_0-r)^2}, \quad w \in D(0, r), \quad 0 < r < s_0.$$

4. Let α be a real number with $0 < |\alpha| < \frac{\pi}{2}$. Show that the function

$$f(z) = z(1-z)^{-2e^{i\alpha}\cos\alpha}$$

is α -spirallike but not close-to-convex. (Hint: Show that the condition (18.2) is violated).

Solution. Now

$$\begin{aligned} f'(z) &= (1-z)^{-2e^{i\alpha}\cos\alpha} + z(-2e^{i\alpha}\cos\alpha)(1-z)^{-2e^{i\alpha}\cos\alpha-1}(-1) \\ &= \frac{(1-z) + 2e^{i\alpha}\cos\alpha z}{(1-z)^{2e^{i\alpha}\cos\alpha+1}} = \frac{1 + (2e^{i\alpha}\cos\alpha - 1)z}{(1-z)^{1+2e^{i\alpha}\cos\alpha}}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}, \end{aligned} \quad (*)$$

so $f'(0) = 1 \neq 0$, and

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-i\alpha} \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} &= e^{-i\alpha} z \frac{(1 + (2e^{i\alpha}\cos\alpha - 1)z)/(1-z)}{z} \\ &= \frac{e^{-i\alpha}(1-z) + 2\cos\alpha z}{1-z} = e^{-i\alpha} + 2\cos\alpha \frac{z}{1-z} \\ &= \cos\alpha \left(1 + 2 \frac{z}{1-z} \right) - i\sin\alpha, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $z \mapsto \frac{z}{1-z}$ maps $\mathbb{D}$ onto the right half-plane $\{\operatorname{Re} z > -\frac{1}{2}\}$, we see that

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(e^{-i\alpha} \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} \right) > 0, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}.$$

Since also clearly $f(z) \neq 0$ for $0 < |z| < 1$, it follows from [Duren, Theorem 2.19] that f is α -spirallike.

To see that f is not close-to-convex, first note that since

$$\begin{aligned} |2e^{i\alpha}\cos\alpha - 1|^2 &= (2\cos^2\alpha - 1)^2 + 4\sin^2\alpha\cos^2\alpha \\ &= 4\cos^4\alpha - 4\cos^2\alpha + 1 + 4\cos^2\alpha - 4\cos^4\alpha = 1, \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{R}, \end{aligned}$$

it follows from (*) that $f'(z) \neq 0$ for all $z \in \mathbb{D}$, thus, f is locally univalent. By Kaplan's theorem it now suffices to find an $r \in (0, 1)$ and $\theta_1, \theta_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, $\theta_1 < \theta_2$, such that

$$\int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \operatorname{Re} \left(1 + \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} \right) d\theta \leq -\pi, \quad z = re^{i\theta}. \quad (**)$$

Now

$$f''(z) = \left[2e^{i\alpha}\cos\alpha - 1 + (1 + 2e^{i\alpha}\cos\alpha) \frac{4e^{i2\alpha}\cos^2\alpha - 1}{1-z} \right] (1-z)^{-1-2e^{i\alpha}\cos\alpha}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$

so

$$1 + z \frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} = 1 + z \frac{2e^{i\alpha}\cos\alpha - 1 + (1 + 2e^{i\alpha}\cos\alpha) \frac{4e^{i2\alpha}\cos^2\alpha - 1}{1-z}}{1 + (2e^{i\alpha}\cos\alpha - 1)z}$$

$$= 1 + z \frac{4e^{i\alpha}\cos\alpha + 2e^{i\alpha}\cos\alpha(2e^{i\alpha}\cos\alpha - 1)z}{(1 + (2e^{i\alpha}\cos\alpha - 1)z)(1-z)} = 1 + 2e^{i\alpha}\cos\alpha \frac{2+1z}{1+z} \frac{z}{1-z}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$

where $\lambda = 2e^{i\alpha} \cos \alpha - 1 \in \mathbb{T}$. We see that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^+} \arg \left(2e^{i\alpha} \cos \alpha \frac{2 + \lambda e^{i\theta}}{1 + \lambda e^{i\theta}} \frac{e^{i\theta}}{1 - e^{i\theta}} \right) &= \alpha + \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^+} \arg \frac{2 + \lambda e^{i\theta}}{1 + \lambda e^{i\theta}} + \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^+} \arg \frac{e^{i\theta}}{1 - e^{i\theta}} \\ &= \alpha + \arg \frac{2 + \lambda}{1 + \lambda} + \frac{\pi}{2} = \cancel{\alpha} + \frac{\pi}{2} + \arg(1 + 2e^{i\alpha} \cos \alpha) - \arg(2e^{i\alpha} \cos \alpha) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} + \arg(1 + 2e^{i\alpha} \cos \alpha) \end{aligned}$$

and similarly

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^-} \arg \left(2e^{i\alpha} \cos \alpha \frac{2 + \lambda e^{i\theta}}{1 + \lambda e^{i\theta}} \frac{e^{i\theta}}{1 - e^{i\theta}} \right) = -\frac{\pi}{2} + \arg(1 + 2e^{i\alpha} \cos \alpha).$$

Since $\arg(1 + 2e^{i\alpha} \cos \alpha) > 0$ for $0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$ and $\arg(1 + 2e^{i\alpha} \cos \alpha) < 0$ for $-\frac{\pi}{2} < \alpha < 0$, we see that

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(1 + e^{i\theta} \frac{f''(e^{i\theta})}{f'(e^{i\theta})} \right) \rightarrow -\infty$$

as $\theta \rightarrow 0^+$ if $\alpha \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2})$, and $\theta \rightarrow 0^-$ if $\alpha \in (-\frac{\pi}{2}, 0)$. Hence, for sufficiently

large $r \in (0, 1)$ and suitably chosen $\theta_1, \theta_2 \in (0, \pi)$ ($\alpha > 0$) or $\theta_1, \theta_2 \in (-\pi, 0)$ ($\alpha < 0$), we will have

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(1 + z \frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) \leq \frac{-\pi}{\theta_2 - \theta_1}, \quad z = re^{i\theta}, \quad \theta_1 \leq \theta \leq \theta_2,$$

so that $(**)$ holds for these parameters. Therefore, f is not close-to-convex. $\square$

5. Suppose $0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$. Show that the function $f(z) = z(1-z)^{-Se^{i\alpha}}$ is α -spirallike if $0 < S \leq 2 \cos \alpha$, but is not spirallike if $S > 2 \cos \alpha$.

Solution. Now

$$f'(z) = \left[1 + z \frac{Se^{i\alpha}}{1-z} \right] (1-z)^{-Se^{i\alpha}}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$

so

$$e^{-i\beta} z \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} = e^{-i\beta} z \frac{1 + z \frac{Se^{i\alpha}}{1-z}}{z} = e^{-i\beta} + Se^{i(\alpha-\beta)} \frac{z}{1-z}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$

and

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(e^{-i\beta} z \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} \right) = \cos \beta + S \operatorname{Re} \left(e^{i(\alpha-\beta)} \frac{z}{1-z} \right), \quad z \in \mathbb{D}.$$

Since $z \mapsto \frac{z}{1-z}$ maps $\mathbb{D}$ onto $\{z: \operatorname{Re} z > -\frac{1}{2}\}$, we see that

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(e^{-i\alpha} z \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} \right) > 0 \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{D} \Leftrightarrow \cos \alpha - S \frac{1}{2} \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow S \leq 2 \cos \alpha. \quad (\text{for any } S)$$

Also, for $\beta \neq \alpha$ we can always find a point $z \in \mathbb{D}$ such that $\operatorname{Re} \left(e^{-i\beta} z \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} \right) \leq 0$. Thus, f is α -spirallike for $0 < S \leq 2 \cos \alpha$ and not spirallike for $S > 2 \cos \alpha$ by [Puren, Theorem 2.19]. $\square$

7. Show that for each function $f \in S$, the inequality

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \phi\left(\log \frac{S}{|f(re^{i\theta})|}\right) d\theta \leq \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \phi\left(\log \frac{S}{|k(re^{i\theta})|}\right) d\theta$$

holds for $0 < r < 1$, $S > 0$, and every convex nondecreasing function ϕ . Conclude that $M_p(r, |f|) \leq M_p(r, |k|)$ for $0 < r < 1$ and $0 < p < \infty$.

Solution. By Lemma 7 it suffices to show that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log^+ \frac{1}{S|f(re^{i\theta})|} d\theta &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} [\log \frac{1}{|f(re^{i\theta})|} - \log S]^+ d\theta \\ &\leq \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} [\log \frac{1}{|k(re^{i\theta})|} - \log S]^+ d\theta = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log^+ \frac{1}{S|k(re^{i\theta})|} d\theta \end{aligned}$$

for all $S > 0$. By Jensen's formula and the fact that $f \in S$,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log(S|f(re^{i\theta})|) d\theta &= 2\pi \log S + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log \frac{|f(re^{i\theta})|}{r} d\theta + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log r d\theta \\ &= 2\pi \log S + 2\pi \log 1 + 2\pi \log r = 2\pi (\log S + \log r). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, since $\log^+ x = \log x + [-\log x]^+ = \log x + \log^+ \frac{1}{x}$, $x > 0$,

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log^+(S|f(re^{i\theta})|) d\theta = 2\pi (\log S + \log r) + \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log^+ \frac{1}{S|f(re^{i\theta})|} d\theta, \quad (*)$$

and the same is true when f is replaced by k . By Theorem 1, the left hand side of (*) does not decrease when f is replaced by k , and hence

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log^+ \frac{1}{S|f(re^{i\theta})|} d\theta &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log^+(S|f(re^{i\theta})|) d\theta - 2\pi (\log S + \log r) \\ &\leq \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log^+(S|k(re^{i\theta})|) d\theta - 2\pi (\log S + \log r) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log^+ \frac{1}{S|k(re^{i\theta})|} d\theta, \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof of the inequality. By choosing $S=1$ and $\phi(x) = e^{px}$, $0 < p < \infty$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} M_p(r, |f|) &= \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \exp\left(p \log \frac{1}{|f(re^{i\theta})|}\right) d\theta \right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \exp\left(p \log \frac{1}{|k(re^{i\theta})|}\right) d\theta \right)^{1/p} = M_p(r, |k|), \quad 0 < r < 1. \end{aligned}$$

