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**On some Extremal Problems in the Class of Quasi-Starlike  
Functions**

Pewne problemy ekstremalne w klasie funkcji quasi-gwiazdzistych

Некоторые экстремальные проблемы для класса квази-звездообразных функций

I. Dziubiński [2] introduced the class  $\mathcal{G}^M$  of the so called quasi-starlike functions  $g(z)$  determined by the equation

$$(1) \quad G(g(z)) = \frac{1}{M} G(z) \quad \text{in } |z| < 1,$$

where  $M$  fixed,  $M > 1$ , and  $G(z)$  is starlike in the unit disc. He also introduced the subclasses  $\mathcal{G}_m^M$  of the class  $\mathcal{G}^M$ , where  $G(z)$  is of the form

$$(2) \quad G(z) = \frac{z}{\prod_{k=1}^m (1 - \sigma_k z)^{\beta_k}} \quad \text{in } |z| < 1,$$

$$(3) \quad \sigma_k = e^{i\varphi_k},$$

$$(4) \quad \sum_{k=1}^m \beta_k = 2,$$

and  $\varphi_k (k = 1, \dots, m)$  run over all real numbers,  $\sigma_l \neq \sigma_n$  for  $l \neq n$ ,  $\beta_k (k = 1, \dots, m)$  run over all positive numbers.

Let

$$(5) \quad g(z) = a_0 + a_1(z - z_0) + \dots,$$

$$(6) \quad G(z) = A_0 + A_1(z - z_0) + \dots,$$

where  $z_0$  denotes a fixed point of the unit disc.

Suppose that

$$(7) \quad H = H(X_0, \dots, X_N, Y_0, \dots, Y_N)$$

is a real-valued function of  $2N+2$  real variables, defined in an open and sufficiently large set  $V$ ,  $H \in C^1$ ,  $\text{grad} H \neq 0$  at every point of  $V$ .

Given a function  $g(z)$ , let

$$(7') \quad H_g = H(\xi_0, \dots, \xi_N, \eta_0, \dots, \eta_N),$$

where

$$\xi_n + i\eta_n = a_n, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, N.$$

We shall prove the following theorems for the class  $\mathcal{G}^M$ :

**Theorem 1.** *If the functional  $H_g$  attains its extremal value for a function  $g(z)$  of the class  $\mathcal{G}_m^M$ , then this function satisfies the following differential equation*

$$(8) \quad \frac{g'(z)}{g(z)} \frac{\mathcal{L}(g(z))}{\mathcal{R}(g(z))} = \frac{1}{z} \frac{\mathcal{L}(z)}{\mathcal{R}(z)},$$

where

$$(9) \quad \mathcal{L}(\zeta) = \left( \sum_{k=0}^{N+1} \frac{b_k}{(\zeta - a_0)^k} - \frac{B_k}{(\zeta - z_0)^k} + \frac{\bar{b}_k}{\left(\frac{1}{\zeta} - \bar{a}_0\right)^k} + \frac{\bar{B}_k}{\left(\frac{1}{\zeta} - \bar{z}_0\right)^k} \right) + \mu + \bar{\mu},$$

$$(10) \quad \mathcal{R}(\zeta) = \sum_{k=1}^{N+1} \left( \frac{d_k \zeta}{(\zeta - a_0)^k} - \frac{D_k \zeta}{(\zeta - z_0)^k} - \frac{\bar{d}_k \frac{1}{\zeta}}{\left(\frac{1}{\zeta} - \bar{a}_0\right)^k} + \frac{\bar{D}_k \frac{1}{\zeta}}{\left(\frac{1}{\zeta} - \bar{z}_0\right)^k} \right),$$

$$(11) \quad B_l = \sum_{k=l-1}^N H_k ((k-l+2)a_{k-l+2}z_0^2 + 2(k-l+1)a_{k-l+1}z_0 + (k-l)a_{k-l}), \quad l = 0, 1, \dots, N+1,$$

$$(12) \quad b_l = \sum_{k=l-1}^N H_k (a_k^{(l-1)} a_0^2 + 2a_k^{(l)} a_0 + a_k^{(l+1)}), \quad l = 0, 1, \dots, N+1,$$

$$(13) \quad D_l = \sum_{k=l-1}^N H_k \sum_{n=1}^{k-l+2} n a_n c_{k-l-n+2}, \quad l = 0, 1, \dots, N+1,$$

$$(14) \quad d_l = \sum_{k=l-1}^N H_k \sum_{n=1}^{k-l+2} n a_n \sum_{i=l-1}^{k-n+1} a_i^{(l-1)} c_{k-n-i+1}, \quad l = 0, \dots, N+1,$$

$$(15) \quad \mu = (D_1 + D_0 z_0) \frac{z_0}{c_0} - (d_1 + d_0 z_0) \frac{a_0}{c_0 a_1},$$

$$(16) \quad S_0 = \log \frac{G(z_0)}{z_0}, \quad S_l = \frac{1}{l} \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\beta_i \sigma^l}{(1 - \sigma_i z_0)^l}, \quad l = 1, 2, \dots,$$

$$(17) \quad s_0 = \log \frac{G(a_0)}{a_0}, \quad s_l = \frac{1}{l} \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\beta_i \sigma^l}{(1 - \sigma_i a_0)^l}, \quad l = 1, 2, \dots,$$

$$(18) \quad H_l = H'_{X_l}(X_0, \dots, Y_N) - i H'_{Y_l}(X_0, \dots, Y_N), \quad l = 0, 1, \dots, N, \quad H^{-1} = 0,$$

$$(19) \quad c_l = (1 + S_l z_0)^{-l-1} \times \begin{vmatrix} 1 + S_1 z_0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & z_0 \\ S_1 + 2S_2 z_0 & 1 + S_1 z_0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ (l-1)S_{l-1} + lS_l z_0 & (l-2)S_{l-2} + (l-1)S_{l-1} z_0 & \dots & 1 + S_1 z_0 & 0 \\ lS_l + (l+1)S_{l+1} z_0 & (l-1)S_{l-1} + lS_l z_0 & \dots & S_1 + 2S_2 z_0 & 0 \end{vmatrix}, \quad l=0, \dots, N+1$$

Moreover, the numbers  $\bar{\sigma}_t, t = 1, \dots, m$  which appear in (2) and (3) are roots of  $\mathcal{R}(\zeta)$  and double roots of function of the form

$$(20) \quad \tilde{\mathcal{R}}(\zeta) = \sum_{k=2}^{N+1} \frac{1}{k-1} \left( \frac{d_k}{(\zeta - a_0)^{k-1}} - \frac{D_k}{(\zeta - z_0)^{k-1}} + \frac{\bar{d}_k}{\left(\frac{1}{\zeta} - \bar{a}_0\right)^{k-1}} + \right. \\ \left. - \frac{\bar{D}_k}{\left(\frac{1}{\zeta} - \bar{z}_0\right)^{k-1}} \right) + \bar{d}_1 \log \frac{1 - z_0/\zeta}{1 - a_0/\zeta} + \bar{d}_1 \log \frac{1 - \bar{z}_0/\zeta}{1 - \bar{a}_0/\zeta} + \eta + \bar{\eta},$$

where

$$(21) \quad \eta = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{N+1} (d_k s_{k-1} - D_k S_{k-1}).$$

**Proof.** Since the family  $\mathcal{G}^M$  is compact and because of the continuity of the function (7) the existence of extremal function is evident. We suppose that the extremal function belongs to the class  $\mathcal{G}_m^M$ .

From relations (2), (3) and (6) it follows that the coefficients  $A_k, k = 0, 1, \dots$  are functions of the parameters  $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_m$ ; simultaneously from (1) it follows that between the coefficients of the functions (5) and (6) the relations

$$(22) \quad \left\{ \frac{\partial^k}{\partial z^k} \left( G(g(z)) - \frac{1}{M} G(z) \right) \right\}_{z=z_0} = 0$$

hold. Consequently, the value of the functional  $H_g$  for any arbitrary function (5) coincides with the value of the function (7') at the point  $P = (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_N, \varphi_1, \varphi_2, \dots, \varphi_m, \beta_1, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_m)$  of an  $2N + 2m + 2$  dimensional space, provided the additional conditions (4) and (22) are satisfied for  $k = 0, 1, \dots, N$ .

Applying the method of Lagrange's multipliers for the functions of complex variables [1], we conclude that for the point  $P = (a_0, \dots, a_N, \varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_m)$  connected by (2) and (22)

$$(23) \quad \sum_{k=0}^N \lambda_k \frac{\partial}{\partial a_s} \left( \frac{\partial^k}{\partial z^k} \left( G(g(z)) - \frac{1}{M} G(z) \right) \right)_{z=z_0} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial a_s} + \overline{\left( \frac{\partial H}{\partial \bar{a}_s} \right)},$$

$$s = 0, 1, \dots, N,$$

$$(24) \quad \sum_{k=0}^N \left\{ \lambda_k \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi_t} \left( \frac{\partial^k}{\partial z^k} \left( G(g(z)) - \frac{1}{M} G(z) \right) \right)_{z=z_0} + \overline{\lambda_k \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi_t} \left( \frac{\partial^k}{\partial z^k} \left( G(g(z)) - \frac{1}{M} G(z) \right) \right)_{z=z_0}} \right\} = 0,$$

$$t = 1, \dots, m,$$

$$(25) \quad \sum_{k=0}^N \left\{ \lambda_k \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta_t} \left( \frac{\partial^k}{\partial z^k} \left( G(g(z)) - \frac{1}{M} G(z) \right) \right)_{z=z_0} + \overline{\lambda_k \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta_t} \left( \frac{\partial^k}{\partial z^k} \left( G(g(z)) - \frac{1}{M} G(z) \right) \right)_{z=z_0}} \right\} + \lambda = 0,$$

$$t = 1, \dots, m,$$

where  $\lambda, \lambda_0, \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_N$  are a nontrivial set of Lagrange's multipliers, are fulfilled.

By suitable transformations the equations (23)-(25) can be written in the form

$$(26) \quad K(G'(g(z))(z-z_0))^s = H_s, \quad s = 0, 1, \dots, N,$$

$$(27) \quad K(G'(g(z))f_t^{(1)}(z)) - \hat{K}(\hat{G}'(\hat{g}(z))\hat{f}_t^{(1)}(z)) = 0, \quad t = 1, \dots, m,$$

$$(28) \quad K(G'(g(z))f_t^{(2)}(z)) + \hat{K}(\hat{G}'(\hat{g}(z))\hat{f}_t^{(2)}(z)) + \lambda = 0, \quad t = 1, \dots, m,$$

where

$$K(h(z)) = \sum_{k=0}^N \lambda_k \left( \frac{\partial^k h}{\partial z^k} \right)_{z=z_0},$$

$$\hat{K}(h(z)) = \sum_{k=0}^N \bar{\lambda}_k \left( \frac{\partial^k h}{\partial z^k} \right)_{z=\bar{z}_0},$$

$$\hat{h}(z) = \overline{h(\bar{z})},$$

$$f_t^{(1)}(z) = \left( \frac{\sigma_t g(z)}{1 - \sigma_t g(z)} - \frac{\sigma_t z}{1 - \sigma_t z} \right) \frac{G(g(z))}{G'(g(z))}, \quad t = 1, \dots, m,$$

$$f_t^{(2)}(z) = ((\log(1 - \sigma_t z)) - \log((1 - \sigma_t g(z)))) \frac{G(g(z))}{G'(g(z))}, \quad t = 1, \dots, m.$$

Next, from (26) and the definition of the operator  $K(h)$  it follows that for any function  $h_0(z)$  of the form

$$h_0(z) = E_0 + E_1(z - z_0) + \dots$$

we have

$$(29) \quad K(G'(g(z))h_0(z)) = \sum_{k=0}^N E_k H_k = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C(z_0, r)} H^* \left( \frac{1}{z - z_0} \right) h_0(z) \frac{dz}{z - z_0},$$

where

$$H^* \left( \frac{1}{z - z_0} \right) = \sum_{k=0}^N \frac{H_k}{(z - z_0)^k}$$

and  $C(z_0, r)$  is a sufficiently small circumference with centre at the point  $z_0$ .

Using (29) the set of equations (26)-(28) can be written in the form

$$(30) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C(z_0, r)} H^* \left( \frac{1}{z - z_0} \right) \left( \frac{\sigma_t g(z)}{1 - \sigma_t g(z)} - \frac{\sigma_t z}{1 - \sigma_t z} \right) \frac{G(g(z))}{G'(g(z))} \frac{dz}{z - z_0} +$$

$$- \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C(\bar{z}_0, r)} \hat{H}^* \left( \frac{1}{z - \bar{z}_0} \right) \left( \frac{\bar{\sigma}_t \hat{g}(z)}{1 - \bar{\sigma}_t \hat{g}(z)} - \frac{\bar{\sigma}_t z}{1 - \bar{\sigma}_t z} \right) \frac{\hat{G}(\hat{g}(z))}{\hat{G}'(\hat{g}(z))} \frac{dz}{z - \bar{z}_0} = 0,$$

$t = 1, \dots, m,$

$$(31) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C(z_0, r)} H^* \left( \frac{1}{z - z_0} \right) (\log(1 - \sigma_t z) - \log(1 - \sigma_t g(z))) \times$$

$$\times \frac{G(g(z))}{G'(g(z))} \frac{dz}{z - z_0} + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C(\bar{z}_0, r)} \hat{H}^* \left( \frac{1}{z - \bar{z}_0} \right) (\log(1 - \bar{\sigma}_t z) +$$

$$- \log(1 - \bar{\sigma}_t \hat{g}(z))) \frac{\hat{G}(\hat{g}(z))}{\hat{G}'(\hat{g}(z))} \frac{dz}{z - \bar{z}_0} + \lambda = 0, \quad t = 1, \dots, m.$$

Further, let us introduce the functions

$$(32) \quad \mathcal{R}(\zeta) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C(\bar{z}_0, r)} H^* \left( \frac{1}{z - z_0} \right) \left( \frac{\frac{1}{\zeta} g(z)}{1 - \frac{1}{\zeta} g(z)} - \frac{\frac{1}{\zeta} z}{1 - \frac{1}{\zeta} z} \right) \frac{G(g(z))}{G'(g(z))}$$

$$\times \frac{dz}{z - z_0} + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C(\bar{z}_0, r)} \hat{H}^* \left( \frac{1}{z - \bar{z}_0} \right) \left( \frac{\zeta \hat{g}(z)}{1 - \zeta \hat{g}(z)} - \frac{\zeta z}{1 - \zeta z} \right) \frac{\hat{G}(\hat{g}(z))}{\hat{G}'(\hat{g}(z))} \frac{dz}{z - \bar{z}_0}$$

and

$$(33) \quad \mathcal{L}(\zeta) = \mathcal{R}(\zeta) \frac{G'(\zeta)\zeta}{G(\zeta)}.$$

By applying equation (1) and by the definition of the function  $\mathcal{L}(\zeta)$  we get equation (8). Moreover, from (30) and (32) it follows, that the numbers  $\bar{\sigma}_t, t = 1, 2, \dots, m$ , are roots of the function  $\mathcal{R}(\zeta)$ , and by (31) double roots of a function

$$(34) \quad \tilde{\mathcal{R}}(\zeta) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C(z_0, r)} H^* \left( \frac{1}{z - z_0} \right) \left( \log \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\zeta} z \right) - \log \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\zeta} (z) \right) \right) \times \\ \times \frac{G(g(z))}{G'(g(z))} \frac{dz}{z - z_0} + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C(z_0, r)} \hat{H}^* \left( \frac{1}{z - \bar{z}_0} \right) \left( \log(1 - \zeta z) - \log(1 - \zeta \hat{g}(z)) \right) \times \\ \times \frac{\hat{G}(\hat{g}(z))}{\hat{G}'(\hat{g}(z))} \frac{dz}{z - \bar{z}_0} + \lambda.$$

The functions  $\mathcal{R}(\zeta)$  and  $\mathcal{L}(\zeta)$  of (32) and (33) are rational functions with the poles only at the points  $z_0, 1/\bar{z}_0, g(z_0), 1/\bar{g}(z_0)$ . Further, we prove the formulae (9) and (10) for the functions  $\mathcal{R}(\zeta)$  and  $\mathcal{L}(\zeta)$  and next formulae (11)-(19) for the coefficients of these functions.

From definitions of the functions  $\mathcal{R}(\zeta)$  and  $\tilde{\mathcal{R}}(\zeta)$  we can obtain the following formula

$$(35) \quad \tilde{\mathcal{R}}(\zeta) = -\frac{1}{\zeta} \mathcal{R}(\zeta)$$

and, further, formula (20).

**Theorem 2.** *The extremal value of the functional  $H_0$  is attained in the class  $\mathcal{G}^M$  for function belonging to the class  $\mathcal{G}_m^M, m \leq 2N+1$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $H^*$  denote e.g. the maximum of the functional  $H_0$  in  $\mathcal{G}^M$  and let  $H_k^*$  denote an analogous maximum in  $\bigcup_{m=1}^k \mathcal{G}_m^M, k = 1, 2, \dots$ .

1°. First we shall prove that  $H_k^* = H_{2N+1}^*$  for  $k \geq 2N+1$  and consequently

$$(36) \quad \sup_n H_n^* = H_{2N+1}^*.$$

In fact, because the family  $\bigcup_{m=1}^k \mathcal{G}_m^M, k = 1, 2, \dots$  is compact, we can find a function of the class  $\mathcal{G}_l^M, l \leq k$ , realizing the mentioned maximum. Hence, and from Theorem 1 it follows that there exist such numbers  $\bar{\sigma}_t = e^{-i\varphi_t}, t = 1, \dots, l, \sigma_k \neq \sigma_j$  for  $k \neq j$ , which are double roots of the function  $\tilde{\mathcal{R}}(\zeta)$ . From properties of the function  $\tilde{\mathcal{R}}(\zeta)$  it follows that

$$P(\varphi) = \tilde{\mathcal{R}}(e^{i\varphi})$$

is a real-valued function of a real variable and  $P(\varphi) \in C^1$ . Moreover, it is easy to see that the function  $P(\varphi)$  has the period  $2\pi$ .

Next from (35) we obtain

$$P'(\varphi) = -i\mathcal{R}(e^{i\varphi}).$$

Because the function  $\mathcal{R}(\zeta)$  of (32) has  $4N+3$  roots we take the inequality  $l \leq 2N+1$  and, consequently, (36).

2°. In the second part, we prove that

$$(37) \quad H^* \leq H_{2N+1}^*.$$

In fact, it is not difficult to observe that we can approximate any quasi-starlike function by the functions of classes  $\mathcal{G}_m^M$ . Hence, and from (36) it follows that the inequality (37) is true.

Using Theorem 1 and 2 for the functional

$$H_g = g(z_0)\overline{g(z_0)}$$

or

$$H_g = \arg \frac{g(z_0)}{z_0}$$

we obtain sharp estimates of  $|g(z_0)|$  and  $\arg \frac{g(z_0)}{z_0}$ ,  $|z_0| < 1$ , in the class  $\mathcal{G}^M$ :

**Theorem 3.** For every function  $g(z)$  of the class  $\mathcal{G}^M$  the inequalities

$$-g^*(-|z|) \leq |g(z)| \leq g^*(|z|)$$

are satisfied, where  $g^*(z)$  is determined by equation

$$\frac{g^*(z)}{(1-g^*(z))^2} = \frac{1}{M} \frac{z}{(1-z)^2}.$$

**Theorem 4.** The functional

$$H_g = \arg \frac{g(z_0)}{z_0}, \quad |z_0| < 1$$

attains its extremal values in the class  $\mathcal{G}^M$  for functions  $g(z)$  determined by the equation

$$\frac{g(z)}{(1-\sigma g(z))^2} = \frac{1}{M} \frac{z}{(1-\sigma z)^2}$$

in which  $\sigma$  are the suitably chosen roots of the equation

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{1-4\left(1-\frac{1}{M}\right)\frac{\sigma r}{(1+\sigma r)^2}} + \sqrt{1-4\left(1-\frac{1}{M}\right)\frac{\sigma r}{(\sigma+r)^2}} \\ & = 2\sqrt{1-4\left(1-\frac{1}{M}\right)\frac{\sigma r}{(1+\sigma r)^2}} \sqrt{1-4\left(1-\frac{1}{M}\right)\frac{\sigma r}{(\sigma+r)^2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, from Theorem 3 we have following

**Theorem 3'.** *Every quasi-starlike function maps the unit disc onto a set containing the disc  $|z| < R_0$ ,  $R_0 = 2M - 1 - 2\sqrt{M(M-1)}$ , only. Moreover, the function  $g(z)$  determined by the equation*

$$\frac{g(z)}{(1+g(z))^2} = \frac{z}{M(1+z)^2} \quad (8)$$

maps the unit disc onto the disc without the segment  $[R_0, 1]$  of the real axis.

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#### STRESZCZENIE

W pracy tej zajmuję się klasą  $\mathcal{G}^M$  funkcji quasi-gwiazdzistych wprowadzoną przez I. Dziubińskiego. W szczególności wykazuję, że funkcjonal rzeczywisty  $H_g$  o różnym od zera gradiencie osiąga ekstremum dla pewnych specjalnych funkcji określonych równaniem (8). (Twierdzenie 1 i 2). Ponadto znaleziono oszacowanie wyrażen  $|g(z)|$  oraz  $\arg g(z)/z$  w klasie  $\mathcal{G}^M$ .

#### РЕЗЮМЕ

В работе автор занимается классом  $\mathcal{G}^M$  нормированных квази-звездообразных функций, введенных И. Дзюбинским. Доказаны следующие теоремы: действительный функционал  $H_g$ , для которого  $\text{grad } H_g \neq 0$  принимает экстремальное значение для специальных функций определенных уравнением (8). (теорема 1, 2). Найлены также оценки  $|g(z)|$ ,  $\arg [g(z)/z]$  для класса  $\mathcal{G}^M$ .