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**Some Remarks on Functions Starlike with Respect
to Symmetric Points**

Pewne uwagi o funkcjach gwiazdzystych względem punktów symetrycznych

Некоторые заметки о звездных функциях относительно симметрических точек

1. Introduction

Let S be the class of functions $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$ regular and univalent in the unit disc $K_1 = \{z: |z| < 1\}$ and let S^* be the subclass of functions starlike with respect to the origin. It is well known that $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$ belongs to S^* if and only if

$$(1.1) \quad \operatorname{re} \{zf'(z)/f(z)\} > 0 \text{ for all } z \in K_1.$$

A few years ago M. S. Robertson [3] introduced a subclass of S consisting of functions $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$ which satisfy the condition

$$(1.2) \quad \operatorname{re} \{zf'(z)[f(z) - f(-z)]^{-1}\} > 0 \text{ for all } z \in K_1.$$

Such functions will be called here starlike with respect to symmetric points and the corresponding subclass of S will be denoted by S^{**} .

It is easy to see that $f \in S^{**}$ implies $g \in S^{**}$ where $g(z) = -f(-z)$. In fact, let P denote the class of functions $p(z) = 1 + c_1z + \dots$ regular in K_1 and such that $\operatorname{re} p(z) > 0$ in K_1 . Then the condition (1.2) can be written in the form

$$(1.3) \quad \frac{2zf'(z)}{f(z) - f(-z)} = p(z) \quad p \in P.$$

Putting $-z$ instead of z in (1.3) we obtain

$$(1.4) \quad \frac{2zf'(-z)}{f(z) - f(-z)} = \frac{2zg'(z)}{g(z) - g(-z)} = p(-z)$$

which means that $g \in S^{**}$.

From (1.3) and (1.4) it follows that $h = \frac{1}{2}(f+g)$ satisfies (1.1) which means that $h \in S^*$.

Let L_0 be the class of functions $f(z) = z + a_2 z^2 + \dots$ regular in K_1 and such that there exists a normalized convex mapping of K_1 , say $\Phi(z) = z + b_2 z^2 + \dots$, for which $\operatorname{re}\{f'(z)/\Phi'(z)\} > 0$ in K_1 . As pointed out in [2], L_0 is a proper subclass of the class L of close-to-convex functions. From $h \in S^*$ it follows that $\Phi(z) = \int_0^z \zeta^{-1} h(\zeta) d\zeta$ is a normalized convex mapping of K_1 . The condition (1.3) implies that $\operatorname{re}\{f'(z)/\Phi'(z)\} > 0$ which means that $S^{**} \subset L_0$.

In this paper we find the structural formula for $f \in S^{**}$ (Theorem 1) and give a slight generalization of a theorem of Robertson (Theorem 2). We also find a counterpart of Theorem 2 for spiral-like functions introduced by L. Špaček [4] (Theorem 3.)

2. Structural formula for $f \in S^{**}$

We now derive a structural formula for functions of the class S^{**} expressing any $f \in S^{**}$ in terms of $p \in P$. We have

Theorem 1. *The function $f(z)$ belongs to the class S^{**} if and only if there exists a function $p \in P$ such that*

$$(2.1) \quad f(z) = \int_0^z p(\eta) \left\{ \exp \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\eta [p(\zeta) + p(-\zeta) - 2] \zeta^{-1} d\zeta \right\} d\eta.$$

Proof. We first prove the necessity of (2.1). Suppose $f \in S^{**}$. Then, from (1.2) it follows that

$$(2.2) \quad 2zf'(z)[f(z) - f(-z)]^{-1} = p(z)$$

where $p \in P$. Putting $-z$ in (2.2) we obtain

$$(2.3) \quad 2zf'(-z)[f(z) - f(-z)]^{-1} = p(-z).$$

It follows from (2.2) and (2.3) that

$$f'(z)/f'(-z) = p(z)/p(-z).$$

Hence

$$(2.4) \quad f'(-z) = p(-z)f'(z)/p(z).$$

On the other hand, we have from (2.2):

$$-f(-z) = [2zf'(z) - f(z)p(z)]/p(z)$$

and the differentiation of both sides yields

$$(2.5) \quad f'(-z) = [p(z)]^{-2} [2zpf'' + 2pf' - 2zp'f' - p^2f'].$$

Comparing (2.4) and (2.5) we obtain easily

$$\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} = q(z) + \frac{p'(z)}{p(z)}$$

where

$$(2.6) \quad q(z) = \frac{1}{2} [p(z) + p(-z) - 2]z^{-1}.$$

This gives after a repeated integration the structural formula (2.1).

Sufficiency. Obviously $f(z)$ as given by the formula (2.1) is regular in K_1 and has an expansions $z + a_2z^2 + \dots$ near the origin. Hence it is sufficient to verify that $f'(z) \neq 0$ and (1.2) holds. We first prove the identity

$$(2.7) \quad 2z \exp\left[\int_0^z q(\zeta) d\zeta\right] = \int_0^z [p(\eta) + p(-\eta)] \exp\left\{\int_0^\eta q(\zeta) d\zeta\right\} d\eta$$

where $q(z)$ is defined by (2.6). Obviously, both sides are regular in K_1 and vanish at the origin. Moreover, after differentiation of the left-hand side of (2.7) w.r.t. z and substituting η for z , we obtain the integrand of the right hand side. This proves the identity (2.7).

From (2.1) we easily obtain

$$(2.8) \quad f'(z) = p(z) \exp\left\{\int_0^z q(\zeta) d\zeta\right\}$$

and this means that $f'(z) \neq 0$ in K_1 . Moreover,

$$(2.9) \quad -f(-z) = \int_0^z p(-\eta) \left\{ \exp\int_0^\eta q(\zeta) d\zeta \right\} d\eta.$$

By addition it follows from (2.1) and (2.9) that

$$(2.10) \quad f(z) - f(-z) = \int_0^z [p(\eta) + p(-\eta)] \left\{ \exp\int_0^\eta q(\zeta) d\zeta \right\} d\eta.$$

Using (2.7), (2.8) and (2.10) we finally obtain

$$f(z) - f(-z) = 2zf'(z)/p(z).$$

This proves the sufficiency of (2.1).

3. An extension of Robertson's lemma and its applications

M. S. Robertson has given in [3] a sufficient condition that a function $f(z)$ should belong to the class S^{**} . This condition was stated in terms of subordination. In what follows the symbol $f(z) \rightarrow_r F(z)$ means that f is subordinate to F in the disc $K_r = \{z: |z| < r\}$, i.e. there exists a function $\omega(z)$ regular in K_r , such that $\omega(0) = 0$, $|\omega(z)| < r$ and $f(z) \equiv F(\omega(z))$

in K_r . We shall prove that Robertson's condition after a slight modification is also necessary. For the proof we need Lemma 2 which can be proved by using a result due to Robertson [3] which is quoted here as

Lemma 1. Suppose $\omega(z, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n(t)z^n$ is regular as a function of $z \in K_1$ for each $t \in \langle 0, 1 \rangle$. Suppose moreover, that $\omega(z, 0) \equiv z$ and $|\omega(z, t)| < 1$ for any $z \in K_1$ and $t \in \langle 0, 1 \rangle$. If the limit

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\omega(z, t) - z}{zt^\rho} = \omega(z)$$

exists for some $\rho > 0$, then $\operatorname{re} \omega(z) \leq 0$ in K_1 . If $\omega(z)$ is regular in K_1 and $\operatorname{re} \omega(0) \neq 0$, then $\operatorname{re} \omega(z) < 0$ in K_1 .

Using this Lemma we shall prove

Lemma 2. Suppose $F(z, t)$ is regular in K_1 for each $t \in \langle 0, \delta \rangle$, $F(z, 0) \equiv f(z)$, $f \in S$, and $F(0, t) = 0$ for each $t \in \langle 0, \delta \rangle$. Suppose moreover, that for each $r \in (0, 1)$ there exists $\delta(r) \in (0, \delta)$ such that for any $t \in (0, \delta(r))$ we have $F(z, t) \rightarrow_r f(z)$ and the limit

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{F(z, t) - f(z)}{zt^\rho} = F(z)$$

exists for some $\rho > 0$.

Then $\operatorname{re} \{F(z)/f'(z)\} \leq 0$ in K_1 . If $F(z)$ is regular in K_1 and $\operatorname{re} F(0) \neq 0$ then $\operatorname{re} \{F(z)/f'(z)\} < 0$ in K_1 .

Proof. It follows from our assumptions that there exists for any $r \in (0, 1)$ a function $\omega(z, t)$, regular in K_r for each $t \in (0, \delta(r))$ which satisfies the following conditions: $\omega(z, 0) \equiv z$, $\omega(0, t) = 0$ for all $t \in (0, \delta(r))$; $|\omega(z, t)| < r$ and $F(z, t) \equiv f(\omega(z, t))$ for $z \in K_r$ and $t \in (0, \delta(r))$. Moreover, $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \omega(z, t) = z = \omega(z, 0)$. Consider now

$$F(z) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{F(z, t) - f(z)}{zt^\rho} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(\omega(z, t)) - f(\omega(z, 0))}{zt^\rho}.$$

We may assume that $\delta(r)$ is so small that for each $t \in (0, \delta(r))$ we have $F(z, t) \neq f(z)$. Otherwise $F(z) \equiv 0$ and there is nothing to prove. If $F(z, t) \neq f(z)$ for any $t \in (0, \delta(r))$ then $\omega(z, t) \neq z$, hence by Schwarz's Lemma $|\omega(z, t)| < |\omega(z, 0)|$ for $z \neq 0$ and we can write

$$F(z) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(\omega(z, t)) - f(\omega(z, 0))}{\omega(z, t) - \omega(z, 0)} \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\omega(z, t) - \omega(z, 0)}{zt^\rho}.$$

The first limit exists and so does the second limit. Thus Lemma 1 which is applied to the function $\omega(\zeta, \tau) = r^{-1}\omega(r\zeta, \delta(r)\tau)$, $\zeta \in K_1$, $\tau \in (0, 1)$ we see, that

$$\operatorname{re} \omega(z) = \operatorname{re} \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\omega(z, t) - \omega(z, 0)}{zt^{\rho}} \leq 0$$

for $z \in K_r$. Hence $\operatorname{re}\{F(z)/f'(z)\} \leq 0$ in K_r . Since r can be an arbitrary number of $(0, 1)$, we have $\operatorname{re}\{F(z)/f'(z)\} \leq 0$ in K_1 . If $\operatorname{re} F(0) \neq 0$ then $\operatorname{re}\{F(0)/f'(0)\} = \operatorname{re} F(0) < 0$. If F is regular and $f'(z) \neq 0$ then $\operatorname{re}\{F(z)/f'(z)\}$ is harmonic and by the maximum principle $\operatorname{re}\{F(z)/f'(z)\} < 0$ in K_1 .

Now we are able to prove

Theorem 2. *A necessary and sufficient condition that $f \in S^{**}$ is that for any $r \in (0, 1)$ there should exist $\delta(r) > 0$ such that for each $t \in (0, \delta(r))$ we have*

$$(1-t)f(z) + tf(-z) \rightarrow_r f(z).$$

Proof. Sufficiency. We apply Lemma 2 with $\rho = 1$ and $F(z, t) = (1-t)f(z) + tf(-z)$. Then

$$F(z) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} (zt)^{-1} [F(z, t) - f(z)] = -z^{-1}(f(z) - f(-z)).$$

By Lemma 2 we have

$$\operatorname{re}\{-(zf'(z))^{-1}(f(z) - f(-z))\} < 0, \quad z \in K_1,$$

and this implies (1.2).

Necessity. Consider $v(z, t) = \operatorname{re}\{zF'_z(z, t)/F'_t(z, t)\} = \operatorname{re}\{-z[f'(z) - t(f'(z) - f'(-z))][f(z) - f(-z)]^{-1}\}$. Since $f \in S^{**}$, we have $v(z, 0) < 0$ in K_1 . By the maximum principle for harmonic functions we have

$$v(z, 0) < -\varepsilon(r) < 0 \quad \text{in } K_r.$$

By continuity of $v(z, t)$ with respect to t we can find a positive $\delta(r)$ such that $v(z, t) < \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon(r) < 0$ for each $t \in (0, \delta(r))$ and each $z \in K_r$. Now, by a result of Bielecki and Lewandowski [1], the inequality $\operatorname{re}\{zF'_z \times \times(z, t)/F'_t(z, t)\} < 0$, $z \in K_r$, means that the image of K_r under $F(z, t)$ shrinks with increasing t . Therefore $F(z, t) \rightarrow_r F(z, 0) = f(z)$ and this proves the necessity.

Let now \mathcal{S} be the class of spiral-like functions (cf. [5]), i.e. the class of functions $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$ regular in K_1 and such that for some $\alpha \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ we have $\operatorname{re}\{e^{-i\alpha}zf'(z)/f(z)\} > 0$ in K_1 . Z. Lewandowski [3] has given necessary and sufficient conditions that f should belong to the class \mathcal{S} in terms of an inequality between the absolute values of certain

expressions involving f . We can give another characterization of the class \mathcal{S} which is an analogue of the characterization of the class \mathcal{S}^{**} as stated in Theorem 2.

Theorem 3. *A necessary and sufficient condition that a function $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$ regular in K_1 should belong to the class \mathcal{S} is that there should exist a real number $\alpha \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ and a positive function $\delta(r)$ defined in $(0, 1)$ such that for any $t \in (0, \delta(r))$ we have*

$$(1 - te^{i\alpha})f(z) \rightarrow_r f(z).$$

The proof of Theorem 3 is a repetition of the proof of Theorem 2. We have only to change auxiliary function $F'(z, t)$ which should now be chosen as $(1 - te^{i\alpha})f(z)$.

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Streszczenie

Niech \mathcal{S} oznacza klasę funkcji $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$ holomorficzných i jednolistnych w kole K_1 . Przez P oznaczymy klasę funkcji $p(z) = 1 + c_1z + \dots$ holomorficzných w kole K_1 i takich, że $\text{Re} p(z) > 0$ w K_1 . Funkcja $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$ należy do klasy \mathcal{S}^{**} jeżeli spełnia warunek (1.2).

W pracy tej dowodzę wzoru strukturalnego (2.1) dla funkcji $f \in \mathcal{S}^{**}$. Wzór ten pozwala każdej funkcji klasy P przyporządkować pewną funkcję klasy \mathcal{S}^{**} .

W dalszej części pracy dowodzę Lematu 2, który jest uogólnieniem Twierdzenia B z pracy M. S. Robertsona [4]. W oparciu o Lemat 2 podaję w terminach podporządkowania obszarowego warunki konieczne i wystarczające aby funkcja należała do klasy \mathcal{S}^{**} (Twierdzenie 2) względnie do klasy α — spiralnych (Twierdzenie 3).

Резюме

Пусть S обозначает класс функций $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$ голоморфных и однолистных в круге K_1 . Обозначим через P класс функций $p(z) = 1 + c_1z + \dots$ голоморфных в круге K_1 и таких, где $\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0$ в K_1 . Функция $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$ принадлежит к классу S^{**} , если выполняет условие (1.2).

В работе доказывается структуральная формула для функций $f \in S^{**}$. Эта формула позволяет для каждой функции класса P найти соответствующую ей функцию класса S^{**} .

Далее доказывается лемма 2, которая является обобщением теоремы В из работы М. С. Робертсона [4].

Опираясь на лемму 2, подаются при помощи областного подчинения необходимые и достаточные условия, чтобы функция принадлежала к классу S^{**} (теорема 2) или к классу α —спиральных функций (теорема 3).

