

## Sufficient Conditions for Univalence

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**Abstract** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  denote the class of all functions  $f$  defined and analytic in the open unit disc  $\mathbb{E} = \{z : |z| < 1\}$  and normalized by the conditions  $f(0) = f'(0) - 1 = 0$ . In the present paper, we obtain sufficient conditions for  $f$  to be starlike, Bazilevic or bounded turning of some order  $\beta, 0 < \beta < 1$  in  $\mathbb{E}$ . Our result extends an earlier such result which is available only for the range  $[1/2, 1)$  of the parameter  $\beta$ .

### 1 Introduction

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  denote the class of functions which are analytic in the open unit disc  $\mathbb{E} = \{z : |z| < 1\}$  in the complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$ . For some  $a \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  (the set of positive integers), let  $\mathcal{H}(a, n)$  represents family of all functions  $f$  in  $\mathcal{H}$  which are of the form

$$f(z) = a + a_n z^n + a_{n+1} z^{n+1} + \dots$$

We denote by  $\mathcal{A}$  the class of all those functions  $f$  in  $\mathcal{H}$  which are normalized by the conditions  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f'(0) = 1$ . Further, we also let  $S$  denote the subclass of all univalent functions in  $\mathcal{A}$ . For a real number  $\beta, 0 \leq \beta < 1$ , let

$$\mathcal{R}(\beta) = \{f \in \mathcal{A} : \Re f'(z) > \beta, z \in E\},$$

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

and

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

Functions in the class  $\mathcal{R}(\beta), S^*(\beta)$  and  $\mathcal{K}(\beta)$  are called, respectively, functions of bounded turning of order  $\beta$ , starlike functions of order  $\beta$  and convex functions of order  $\beta$ . It is well known that functions in  $\mathcal{R}(\beta), S^*(\beta)$  and  $\mathcal{K}(\beta)$  are univalent and  $\mathcal{K}(\beta) \subseteq S^*(\beta), 0 \leq \beta < 1$ . Further note that  $S^*(0) := S^*$  and  $\mathcal{K}(0) := \mathcal{K}$  are the usual classes of starlike (with respect to the origin) functions and convex functions in  $S$ , respectively. For more details on these classes of functions we refer the reader to [3].

Following Babalola [1], we say that a function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  is Bazilevic function of order  $\beta, 0 \leq \beta < 1$  and type  $\lambda + 1, \lambda \geq -1$ , if it satisfies the condition

$$\Re \left\{ f'(z) \left( \frac{f(z)}{z} \right)^\lambda \right\} > \beta, z \in E. \tag{1.1}$$

It is known that functions satisfying (1.1) are univalent for  $\lambda \geq -1$  in  $E$  [6]. Note that functions of bounded turning of order  $\beta$  are Bazilevic functions of order  $\beta$  and type 1, whereas starlike functions of order  $\beta$  are Bazilevic functions of order  $\beta$  and type 0. Babalola [1] proved the following sufficient condition for  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  to be Bazilevic function of order  $\beta, \frac{1}{2} \leq \beta < 1$  and type  $\lambda + 1$ .

**Theorem 1.1.** *If  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfies,*

$$\Re \left\{ \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) + \lambda \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} > \lambda + \frac{3\beta - 1}{2\beta}, z \in E,$$

then

$$\Re \left\{ f'(z) \left( \frac{f(z)}{z} \right)^\lambda \right\} > \beta, \frac{1}{2} \leq \beta < 1.$$

The main objective of the present article is to extend Theorem 1.1 by including the range  $(0, \frac{1}{2})$  in the set of values taken by the parameter  $\beta$ .

Before we state and prove our main result, we inform the reader that, in 2017, a general class of functions which contains starlike functions of order  $\beta$ , functions of bounded turning of order  $\beta$  and Bazilevic functions of order  $\beta$  is defined and characterized by Jimoh and Babalola [4] and a recent paper of Babalola and Jimoh [2] constitutes another interesting reading related to this general class.

## 2 Main Result

To prove our main result, we shall need the following lemma:

**Lemma 2.1** (Miller and Mocanu [5]). *Let  $\Omega$  be a set in the complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$  and suppose that  $\phi$  is a mapping from  $C^2 \times \mathbb{E}$  to  $\mathbb{C}$  which satisfies  $\phi(ix, y; z) \notin \Omega$  for  $z \in \mathbb{E}$  and for all real  $x, y$  such that  $y \leq -\frac{n(1+x^2)}{2}$ . If the function  $p \in \mathcal{H}[1, n]$  and  $\phi(p(z), zp'(z); z) \in \Omega$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{E}$ , then  $\Re\{p(z)\} > 0$  in  $\mathbb{E}$ .*

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $\frac{f(z)}{z} \neq 0$  in  $\mathbb{E}$  and*

$$\alpha(\beta) = \begin{cases} \frac{2-3\beta}{2(1-\beta)} & \text{for } 0 < \beta < \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{3\beta-1}{2\beta} & \text{for } \frac{1}{2} \leq \beta < 1. \end{cases}$$

If

$$\Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + \mu \left( 1 - \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) \right\} > \alpha(\beta), z \in \mathbb{E}, \quad (2.1)$$

then

$$\Re \left\{ f'(z) \left( \frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^\mu \right\} > \beta,$$

where  $0 < \beta < 1$ .

**Proof.** Define a function  $p$  by

$$f'(z) \left( \frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^\mu = \beta + (1 - \beta)p(z), \quad (2.2)$$

Then, clearly,  $p$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{E}$  and  $p \in \mathcal{H}[1, 1]$ .

A simple calculation yields

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + \mu \left( 1 - \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) &= \frac{(1 - \beta)zp'(z)}{\beta + (1 - \beta)p(z)} \\ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + \mu \left( 1 - \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) &= 1 + \frac{(1 - \beta)zp'(z)}{\beta + (1 - \beta)p(z)} \\ &= \psi(p(z), zp'(z); z) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\psi(u, v; z) = 1 + \frac{(1 - \beta)v}{\beta + (1 - \beta)u}$  is continuous in  $\mathbb{D} = \left[ \mathbb{C} \setminus \left( \frac{-\beta}{1 - \beta} \right) \right] \times \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{E}$ .

Let  $u = u_1 + iu_2, v = v_1 + iv_2$ , where  $u_1, u_2, v_1, v_2$  are reals with  $v_1 \leq -\frac{1 + u_2^2}{2}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \Re \psi(iu_2, v_1; z) &= 1 + \frac{(1 - \beta)\beta v_1}{\beta^2 + (1 - \beta)^2 u_2^2} \\ &\leq 1 - \frac{(1 - \beta)\beta(1 + u_2^2)}{2[\beta^2 + (1 - \beta)^2 u_2^2]} \\ &= \phi(u_2) \text{ (say)} \\ &\leq \max \phi(u_2). \end{aligned}$$

Define

$$\Omega = \{w : \Re w > \alpha(\beta)\}.$$

From (2.1),  $\psi(p(z), zp'(z); z) \in \Omega$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{E}$ . Further, since the function  $\phi(u_2)$  is symmetrical with respect to  $u_2$ , so it is sufficient to consider its behaviour for  $u_2 \geq 0$ . We can readily see that

$$\phi'(u_2) = \frac{\beta(1 - \beta)(1 - 2\beta)u_2}{[\beta^2 + (1 - \beta)^2 u_2^2]^2}.$$

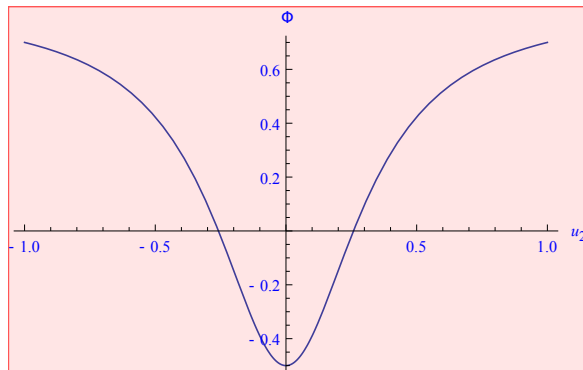
As  $0 < \beta < 1$ , so  $\phi'(u_2) > 0$  for  $0 < \beta < \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\phi'(u_2) \leq 0$  for  $\frac{1}{2} \leq \beta < 1$ . Thus  $\phi(u_2)$  is an increasing function of  $u_2$  for  $0 < \beta < \frac{1}{2}$  and decreasing function of  $u_2$  for  $\frac{1}{2} \leq \beta < 1$ . Behaviour of  $\phi(u_2)$  for  $\beta = 0.25$  and  $\beta = 0.75$  is depicted in Figure 1 and Figure 2, respectively (using MATHEMATICA version 12.0).

Therefore,

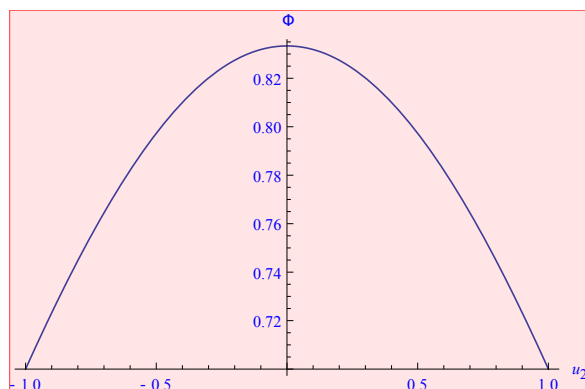
$$\max \phi(u_2) = \begin{cases} \lim_{u_2 \rightarrow \infty} \phi(u_2) = \frac{2 - 3\beta}{2(1 - \beta)} & \text{for } 0 < \beta < \frac{1}{2} \\ \phi(0) = \frac{3\beta - 1}{2\beta} & \text{for } \frac{1}{2} \leq \beta < 1. \end{cases} \tag{2.3}$$

Thus  $\Re \psi(iu_2, v_1; z) \leq \alpha(\beta)$ , where  $\alpha(\beta)$  is given by (2.3). Hence,  $\psi(iu_2, v_1; z) \notin \Omega$ . Therefore, by Lemma 2.1,  $\Re p(z) > 0, z \in \mathbb{E}$ . Finally, by (2.2),

$$\Re \left\{ f'(z) \left( \frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^\mu \right\} > \beta, \quad 0 < \beta < 1, z \in \mathbb{E}.$$



Graph of  $\phi(u_2)$  at  $\beta = 0.25$   
Figure 1



Graph of  $\phi(u_2)$  at  $\beta = 0.75$   
Figure 2

**Remark 2.3.** Theorem 1.1 corresponds to  $\mu = -\lambda$  and  $\frac{1}{2} \leq \beta < 1$  in Theorem 2.2.

Selecting  $\mu = 0$  in Theorem 2.2, we obtain the following sufficient condition for  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  to be in  $\mathcal{R}(\beta)$  for  $0 < \beta < 1$ . (Compare with Corollary 2.5, [1]).

**Corollary 2.4.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  and

$$\alpha(\beta) = \begin{cases} \frac{2-3\beta}{2(1-\beta)} & \text{for } 0 < \beta < \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{3\beta-1}{2\beta} & \text{for } \frac{1}{2} \leq \beta < 1. \end{cases}$$

If

$$\Re \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} > \alpha(\beta),$$

then

$$\Re(f'(z)) > \beta, 0 < \beta < 1, z \in \mathbb{E}.$$

Taking  $\mu = 1$  in Theorem 2.2, we obtain the following sufficient condition for  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  to be in  $\mathcal{S}^*(\beta)$  for  $0 < \beta < 1$ . (Compare with Corollary 2.2, [1]).

**Corollary 2.5.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  and

$$\alpha(\beta) = \begin{cases} \frac{2-3\beta}{2(1-\beta)} & \text{for } 0 < \beta < \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{3\beta-1}{2\beta} & \text{for } \frac{1}{2} \leq \beta < 1. \end{cases}$$

If

$$\Re \left\{ 2 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} > \alpha(\beta),$$

then

$$\Re \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} > \beta, 0 < \beta < 1, z \in \mathbb{E}.$$

Putting  $\mu = -1$  in Theorem 2.2, we obtain the following result.

**Corollary 2.6.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  and

$$\alpha(\beta) = \begin{cases} \frac{2-3\beta}{2(1-\beta)} & \text{for } 0 < \beta < \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{3\beta-1}{2\beta} & \text{for } \frac{1}{2} \leq \beta < 1. \end{cases}$$

If

$$\Re \left\{ \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} > \alpha(\beta),$$

then

$$\Re \left\{ \frac{f'(z)f(z)}{z} \right\} > \beta, 0 < \beta < 1.$$

Therefore,  $f$  is Bazilevic function of order  $\beta$  and type 2 in  $\mathbb{E}$ .

Choosing  $\mu = \frac{1}{2}$  in Theorem 2.2, we obtain the following. (Compare with Corollary 2.3, [1]).

**Corollary 2.7.** Let  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  and

$$\alpha(\beta) = \begin{cases} \frac{2-3\beta}{2(1-\beta)} & \text{for } 0 < \beta < \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{3\beta-1}{2\beta} & \text{for } \frac{1}{2} \leq \beta < 1. \end{cases}$$

If

$$\Re \left[ 2 \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) + \left( 1 - \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) \right] > 2\alpha(\beta), z \in \mathbb{E},$$

then

$$\Re \frac{z^{\frac{1}{2}}f'(z)}{f^{\frac{1}{2}}(z)} > \beta.$$

Therefore,  $f$  is Bazilevic of order  $\beta$  and type  $\frac{1}{2}$  in  $\mathbb{E}$ .

**Example 2.8.** If we take  $\beta = \frac{1}{4}$  in Corollary 2.7, we have the following result.

If

$$\Re \left[ 2 \left( 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) - \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right] > \frac{2}{3}, z \in \mathbb{E},$$

then

$$\Re \left( \frac{z^{1/2}f'(z)}{f^{1/2}(z)} \right) > \frac{1}{4}.$$

**Remark 2.9.** We are unable to include the value 0 in the set of values taken by  $\beta$  in Theorem 2.2 as in that case  $\alpha(0) = 1$  and this violates the normalization condition in inequality (2.1).

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