

ON RADIUS PROBLEMS FOR SOME SUBCLASSES OF
ANALYTIC UNIVALENT FUNCTIONS

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Abstract: In this article we compute the radii of the largest disks for which the functions in the class \mathcal{S} of normalized, analytic and univalent functions belong to certain subclasses of it.

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1. Introduction

Let \mathcal{A} be the class of normalised analytic functions f defined on the open unit disk $\Delta = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ with Taylor's series expansion of the form

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \quad (1)$$

and \mathcal{S} denote the subclass of it containing univalent functions [3].

The radius problem for subclasses of \mathcal{A} or \mathcal{S} is defined as follows: if \mathcal{M} is a class of functions and \mathcal{P} is a property which the functions in \mathcal{M} may or may not possess in the disk $|z| < r$, the radius for the property \mathcal{P} in the set \mathcal{M} is the largest R such that every function in the set \mathcal{M} has the property \mathcal{P} in each disk $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < r\}$ for every $r < R$. In other words, if \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{G} are two given subsets of \mathcal{A} then the \mathcal{G} radius of f in \mathcal{F} is the largest R such that for each $f \in \mathcal{F}$, $r^{-1}f(rz) \in \mathcal{G}$ for each $r \leq R$ [4].

Several authors had considered this problem for various pairs of subclasses of \mathcal{S} . Gavrillov [5] in 1970 showed that the radius of univalence of functions in the class \mathcal{A} satisfying the inequality $|a_n| \leq n$ is the real root of the equation $2(1-r)^3 - (1+r) = 0$ and the same for those functions satisfying $|a_n| \leq M$ is $1 - \sqrt{M/(1+M)}$. In 1982, Yamashita [13] showed that the radius of univalence obtained by Gavrillov is also the radii of starlikeness for the corresponding functions. The radius of starlikeness and convexity of functions in the class \mathcal{S} were found to be $\tanh(\pi/4)$ and $2 - \sqrt{3}$ respectively [4]. The radius of univalence of certain combination of two analytic functions was obtained by [2, 7, 8].

In this paper we obtain few radii results for functions in the class \mathcal{S} of analytic, normalized univalent functions to be in certain standard subclasses of it defined and studied by various authors.

2. Preliminaries

We recall certain standard subclasses of \mathcal{S} and the respective sufficient conditions for a function $f \in \mathcal{S}$ to be in these subclasses.

Definition 2.1. [12] A function $f \in \mathcal{S}$ is said to be in the class \mathcal{D} if

$$\Re(f'(z)) > |zf''(z)|, \text{ for all } z \in \Delta.$$

Theorem 2.1. [12] A function $f \in \mathcal{D}$ if it satisfies the condition

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n^2 |a_n| \leq 1.$$

Definition 2.2. [10] A function $f \in \mathcal{S}$ is said to be in the class \mathcal{UCD} if

$$\Re(f'(z)) > 2|zf''(z)|, \text{ for all } z \in \Delta.$$

Theorem 2.2. [10] Let $f \in \mathcal{S}$. If f satisfies

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(2n-1)|a_n| \leq 1$$

then $f \in \mathcal{UCD}$.

Definition 2.3. [6, 9] A function $f \in \mathcal{S}$ is said to be in the class $\mathcal{UCD}(\alpha)$ if

$$\Re(f'(z)) > \alpha|zf''(z)|, \text{ for all } z \in \Delta, \alpha \geq 0.$$

Theorem 2.3. [10, 11] Let $f \in \mathcal{S}$. If f satisfies

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n[n\alpha + (1 - \alpha)]|a_n| \leq 1$$

then $f \in \mathcal{UCD}(\alpha)$.

Definition 2.4. [10] A function $f \in \mathcal{S}$ is said to be in the class \mathcal{SD} if

$$\Re\left(\frac{f(z)}{z}\right) > \left|f'(z) - \frac{f(z)}{z}\right|, \text{ for all } z \in \Delta.$$

Theorem 2.4. [10] Let $f \in \mathcal{S}$. If f satisfies

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then $f \in \mathcal{SD}$.

Definition 2.5. [10] A function $f \in \mathcal{S}$ is said to be in the class $\mathcal{SD}(\alpha)$ if

$$\Re\left(\frac{f(z)}{z}\right) > \alpha\left|f'(z) - \frac{f(z)}{z}\right|, \text{ for all } z \in \Delta, \alpha \geq 0.$$

Theorem 2.5. [10] Let $f \in \mathcal{S}$. If f satisfies

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [1 + \alpha(n - 1)]|a_n| \leq 1$$

then $f \in \mathcal{SD}(\alpha)$.

Definition 2.6. [10] A function $f \in \mathcal{S}$ is said to be in the class $\mathcal{SD}(\alpha, \beta)$ if

$$\Re\left(\frac{f(z)}{z}\right) > \beta\left|f'(z) - \frac{f(z)}{z}\right| + \alpha, \text{ for all } z \in \Delta, 0 \leq \alpha < 1, 0 \leq \beta \leq 1.$$

Theorem 2.6. [10] Let $f \in \mathcal{S}$. If f satisfies

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\beta n + (1 - \beta)]|a_n| \leq 1 - \alpha$$

then $f \in \mathcal{SD}(\alpha, \beta)$.

Definition 2.7. [1] A function $f \in \mathcal{S}$ is said to be in the class $\mathcal{SR}(\alpha, \beta)$ if

$$\Re(f'(z)) > \beta|f'(z) - 1| + \alpha, \text{ for all } z \in \Delta, 0 \leq \alpha < 1, 0 \leq \beta \leq 1.$$

Theorem 2.7. [1] Let $f \in \mathcal{S}$. If f satisfies

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n|a_n| \leq \frac{1-\alpha}{1+\beta}$$

then $f \in \mathcal{SD}(\alpha, \beta)$.

3. Main Results

We now obtain the radii results for functions in the class \mathcal{S} to be in the above subclasses.

Theorem 3.1. The \mathcal{D} -radius of $f \in \mathcal{S}$ is the real root of the equation $r^4 + 8r^3 - 11r^2 + 12r - 1 = 0$ lying in $(0, 1)$.

Proof. Let $f \in \mathcal{S}$ be given by (1). For $0 < r_0 < 1$,

$$\frac{1}{r_0} f(r_0 z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n r_0^{n-1} z^n.$$

Since $|a_n| \leq n$, $n \geq 2$,

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n^2 |a_n| r_0^{n-1} \leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n^3 r_0^{n-1} = \frac{1 + 4r_0 + r_0^2}{(1 - r_0)^4} - 1.$$

If $\frac{1}{r_0} f(r_0 z) \in \mathcal{D}$ then we must have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1 + 4r_0 + r_0^2}{(1 - r_0)^4} - 1 &= 1 \\ \implies 2r_0^4 + 8r_0^3 - 11r_0^2 + 12r_0 - 1 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus r_0 is the root of the equation $2r^4 + 8r^3 - 11r^2 + 12r - 1 = 0$ lying in $(0, 1)$.

Theorem 3.2. The \mathcal{UCD} -radius of $f \in \mathcal{S}$ is the real root of equation $r^4 - 5r^3 + 3r^2 - 15r + 1 = 0$ lying in $(0, 1)$.

Proof. Since $f \in \mathcal{S}$, we have $|a_n| \leq n$, $n \geq 2$ and hence

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(2n-1)|a_n|r_0^{n-1} \\ &\leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(2n-1)nr_0^{n-1} \\ &= 2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n^3 r_0^{n-1} - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n^2 r_0^{n-1} \\ &= 2 \left[\frac{1 + 4r_0 + r_0^2}{(1 - r_0)^4} - 1 \right] - \left[\frac{1 + r_0}{(1 - r_0)^3} - 1 \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{2(1 + 4r_0 + r_0^2) - (1 - r_0^2) - (1 - r_0)^3}{(1 - r_0)^4}.$$

For $\frac{1}{r_0}f(r_0z)$ to be in the subclass \mathcal{UCD} , we must have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2(1 + 4r_0 + r_0^2) - (1 - r_0^2) - (1 - r_0)^3}{(1 - r_0)^4} &= 1 \\ \implies 2(1 + 4r_0 + r_0^2) - (1 - r_0^2) - (1 - r_0)^3 &= (1 - r_0)^4 \\ \implies r_0^4 - r_0^3 + 3r_0^2 - 15r_0 + 1 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus r_0 is the root of the equation $r^4 - 5r^3 + 3r^2 - 15r + 1 = 0$ lying in $(0, 1)$.

Theorem 3.3. *The \mathcal{SD} -radius of $f \in \mathcal{S}$ is the real root of equation $2r^3 - 6r^2 + 7r - 1 = 0$ lying in $(0, 1)$.*

Proof. Let $f \in \mathcal{S}$. Then $|a_n| \leq n, n \geq 2$.

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n|a_n|r_0^{n-1} \leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n^2r_0^{n-1} = \frac{1 + r_0}{(1 - r_0)^3} - 1.$$

Now, $\frac{1}{r_0}f(r_0z) \in \mathcal{SD}$ if

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1 + r_0}{(1 - r_0)^3} - 1 &= 1 \\ \implies 2r_0^3 - 6r_0^2 + 7r_0 - 1 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence the \mathcal{SD} -radius of f is the root of the equation $2r^3 - 6r^2 + 7r - 1 = 0$ lying in $(0, 1)$.

Theorem 3.4. *Let $\alpha > 0$. The $\mathcal{UCD}(\alpha)$ -radius of $f \in \mathcal{S}$ is the real root of equation $2r^4 - 8r^3 + 11r^2 - 6(1 + \alpha)r + 1 = 0$ lying in $(0, 1)$.*

Proof. Since $f \in \mathcal{S}$, we have $|a_n| \leq n, n \geq 2$ and hence

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n[n\alpha + (1 - \alpha)]|a_n|r_0^{n-1} \\ &\leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n[n\alpha + (1 - \alpha)]|a_n|r_0^{n-1} \\ &= \alpha \left[\frac{1 + 4r_0 + r_0^2}{(1 - r_0)^4} - 1 \right] + (1 - \alpha) \left[\frac{1}{(1 - r_0)^2} - 1 \right] \\ &= \alpha \frac{1 + 4r_0 + r_0^2}{(1 - r_0)^4} + \frac{1 - \alpha}{(1 - r_0)^2} - 1. \end{aligned}$$

If $\frac{1}{r_0}f(r_0z) \in \mathcal{UCD}(\alpha)$ then we must have

$$\begin{aligned} & \alpha(1 + 4r_0 + r_0^2) + (1 - \alpha)(1 - r_0)^2 = 2(1 - r_0)^4 \\ \implies & 2r_0^4 - 8r_0^3 + 11r_0^2 - 6(1 - \alpha)r_0 + 1 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Let $f(r) = 2r^4 - 8r^3 + 11r^2 - 6(1 - \alpha)r + 1$ we have $f(0) = 1$ and $f(1) = -6\alpha < 0$. Then $f(0)f(1) < 0$ if $\alpha > 0$. The $\mathcal{UCD}(\alpha)$ -radius of $f \in \mathcal{S}$ is the root of the equation $2r^4 - 8r^3 + 11r^2 - 6(1 - \alpha)r + 1 = 0$ in the interval $(0, 1)$ whenever $\alpha > 0$.

Theorem 3.5. *If $\alpha > 0$, then $\mathcal{SD}(\alpha)$ -radius of $f \in \mathcal{S}$ is the real root of equation $2r^3 - 6r^2 + (5 + 2\alpha)r - 1 = 0$.*

Proof. Since $|a_n| \leq n$ for $f \in \mathcal{S}$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [1 + \alpha(n - 1)] |a_n| r_0^{n-1} \\ & \leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [1 + \alpha(n - 1)] n r_0^{n-1} \\ & = (1 - \alpha) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n r_0^{n-1} + \alpha \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n^2 r_0^{n-1} \\ & = \frac{1 - \alpha}{(1 - r_0)^2} + \frac{\alpha(1 + r_0)}{(1 - r_0)^3} - 1. \end{aligned}$$

If $\frac{1}{r_0}f(r_0z) \in \mathcal{SD}(\alpha)$ then we must have

$$\frac{1 - \alpha}{(1 - r_0)^2} + \frac{\alpha(1 + r_0)}{(1 - r_0)^3} - 1 = 1$$

calculation gives, $2r_0^3 - 6r_0^2 + (5 + 2\alpha)r_0 - 1 = 0$.

Let $f(r) = 2r^3 - 6r^2 + (5 + 2\alpha)r - 1 = 0$. Then $f(0) = -1$, $f(1) = 2\alpha$. Also, $f(0)f(1) < 0$ implies $\alpha > 0$. This implies the $\mathcal{SD}(\alpha)$ -radius of f is r_4 where r_4 is the root of the equation $2r^3 - 6r^2 + (5 + 2\alpha)r - 1 = 0$ provided $\alpha > 0$.

Theorem 3.6. *The $\mathcal{SD}(\alpha, \beta)$ -radius of $f \in \mathcal{S}$ is r_5 where r_5 is the root of equation $(2 - \beta)r^4 - 4(2 - \beta)r^3 + (11 - 6\beta - \alpha)r^2 - (4\beta + 6\alpha + 10)r + 1 - \beta = 0$ lying in $(0, 1)$ provided $7\alpha + 8\beta + 4 > 0$.*

Proof. Let $f \in \mathcal{S}$. Then $|a_n| \leq n$ for $f \in \mathcal{S}$.

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\alpha n + (1 - \alpha)] |a_n| r_0^{n-1} \\ & \leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [\alpha n + (1 - \alpha)] n r_0^{n-1} \\ & = \frac{\alpha(1 + 4r_0 + r_0^2)}{(1 - r_0)^4} + \frac{1 - \alpha}{(1 - r_0)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\frac{1}{r_0} f(r_0 z) \in \mathcal{SD}(\alpha, \beta)$ if

$$\begin{aligned} & \alpha(1 + 4r_0 + r_0^2) + (1 - \alpha)(1 - r_0)^2 = (2 - \beta)(1 - r_0)^4 \\ \implies & (2 - \beta)r_0^4 - 4(2 - \beta)r_0^3 + (11 - \alpha - 6\beta)r_0^2 - (4\beta + 6\alpha + 10)r_0 + (1 - \beta) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Let $f(r) = (2 - \beta)r^4 - 4(2 - \beta)r^3 + (11 - \alpha - 6\beta)r^2 - (4\beta + 6\alpha + 10)r + (1 - \beta)$, then $f(0) = 1 - \beta$, $f(1) = -4 - 8\beta - 7\alpha$ and hence $f(0)f(1) < 0$ implies $7\alpha + 8\beta + 4 > 0$. Hence the $\mathcal{SD}(\alpha, \beta)$ radius of $f \in \mathcal{S}$ is the root of equation $(2 - \beta)r^4 - 4(2 - \beta)r^3 + (11 - 6\beta - \alpha)r^2 - (4\beta + 6\alpha + 10)r + 1 - \beta = 0$ in $(0, 1)$ provided $7\alpha + 8\beta + 4 > 0$.

4. Conclusion

We conclude that the radii of the largest disk inside the unit disk for which the functions in the class of normalized, analytic and univalent functions \mathcal{S} belong to certain standard subclasses of it are the unique roots in $(0, 1)$ of certain polynomial equations.

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