

STARLIKENESS OF SOME UNIVALENT FUNCTIONS

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ABSTRACT. In the present paper we study a class $\mathcal{N}(\lambda)$ consisting of analytic functions f which satisfy the condition

$$\left| -z^3 \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)''' + f'(z) \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^2 - 1 \right| \leq \lambda,$$

where $0 < \lambda \leq 1$ and $f(z)/z \neq 0$ in the open unit disk E . For given real numbers $\alpha, 0 < \alpha \leq 1$, or $\gamma, 0 \leq \gamma < 1$, we determine ranges of λ such that functions in $\mathcal{N}(\lambda)$ are strongly starlike of order α or starlike of order γ .

1. INTRODUCTION

Let \mathcal{A} denote the class of all functions f that are analytic in the open unit disk $E = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ and are normalized by the conditions $f(0) = f'(0) - 1 = 0$. We denote by \mathcal{S} the subclass of \mathcal{A} consisting of functions univalent in E . A function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ is said to be starlike in E if f is univalent and $f(E)$ is starlike domain with respect to $z = 0$. The class of all starlike functions is denoted by \mathcal{S}^* . It is well known that $f \in \mathcal{A}$ is starlike with respect to the origin if and only if

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) > 0, \quad z \in E.$$

For $0 \leq \gamma < 1$, we define the class $\mathcal{S}^*(\gamma)$ (called the class of starlike functions of order γ) as under:

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

Clearly, $\mathcal{S}^*(0) \equiv \mathcal{S}^*$. A function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ is said to be strongly starlike of order α , $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ in E iff it satisfies $|\arg(zf'(z)/f(z))| < \alpha\pi/2$, $z \in E$. We denote by \mathcal{S}_α the class of all such functions. Note that $\mathcal{S}_1 \equiv \mathcal{S}^*(0) \equiv \mathcal{S}^*$. For $0 < \alpha < 1$, \mathcal{S}_α consists only of bounded starlike functions and therefore, the inclusion $\mathcal{S}_\alpha \subset \mathcal{S}^*$ is proper.

We say that $f \in \mathcal{R}(\gamma)$, $\gamma \in (0, 1]$ if $f \in \mathcal{A}$ and $|\arg f'(z)| < \gamma\pi/2$. It is well-known that the

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functions in $R(1)$ are Close-to-convex and hence univalent in E (see, [2, 14]).

For two functions f and g analytic in E with $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ and $g(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n z^n$, their convolution or Hadamard product is denoted by $f * g$ and is an analytic function in E defined by

$$(f * g)(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n b_n z^n.$$

For a real number $\lambda, \lambda \geq 0$, and an analytic function f with $z/f(z) \neq 0$ in E define

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{U}(\lambda) &= \left\{ f \in \mathcal{A} : \left| f'(z) \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^2 - 1 \right| \leq \lambda, z \in E \right\}, \\ \mathcal{P}(\lambda) &= \left\{ f \in \mathcal{A} : \left| \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)'' \right| \leq \lambda, z \in E \right\}, \\ \mathcal{M}(\lambda) &= \left\{ f \in \mathcal{A} : \left| z^2 \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)'' + f'(z) \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^2 - 1 \right| \leq \lambda, z \in E \right\}, \\ \mathcal{N}(\lambda) &= \left\{ f \in \mathcal{A} : \left| -z^3 \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)''' + f'(z) \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^2 - 1 \right| \leq \lambda, z \in E \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Denote the classes $\mathcal{U}(1), \mathcal{P}(1), \mathcal{M}(1)$ and $\mathcal{N}(1)$ by $\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{P}, \mathcal{M}$ and \mathcal{N} , respectively.

The study of these classes started in 1972 when Ozaki and Nunokawa [9] proved that the functions in $\mathcal{U}(\lambda)$ are univalent for $0 < \lambda \leq 1$. In 2001, Obradović and Ponnusamy [4] proved that $\mathcal{P}(2\lambda) \subsetneq \mathcal{U}(\lambda)$. It is easy to observe that the Koebe function $z/(1-z)^2$ belongs to \mathcal{U} but $\mathcal{U} \not\subseteq \mathcal{S}^*$ (see[1]). Ponnusamy and Vasundhara [12] obtained conditions on λ so that $\mathcal{U}(\lambda) \subseteq \mathcal{S}^*$. For further details on these classes including some interesting generalizations we refer to [3, 4, 8, 11, 12, 13].

In 2011, Obradović and Ponnusamy [5] studied the class $\mathcal{M}(\lambda)$ and further, in 2012, in [6], they investigated the class \mathcal{N} and proved the strict inclusions $\mathcal{N} \subsetneq \mathcal{M} \subsetneq \mathcal{P} \subsetneq \mathcal{U} \subsetneq \mathcal{S}$. They also obtained some necessary and sufficient conditions for functions to be in the class \mathcal{N} and conjectured that \mathcal{N} is not contained in \mathcal{S}^* . The work presented in this paper is inspired by this open problem. We study the class $\mathcal{N}(\lambda)$ where $0 < \lambda \leq 1$ and find conditions on the parameter λ so that the the functions in the class $\mathcal{N}(\lambda)$ are starlike or are strongly starlike of some order. We also find \mathcal{N} -radius of a function defined in terms of a function in the class \mathcal{U} . Note that for two subclasses \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{G} of \mathcal{A} , we say that r_0 is the \mathcal{G} -radius in \mathcal{F} if for every $f \in \mathcal{F}, r^{-1}f(rz) \in \mathcal{G}$ for $r \leq r_0$ and r_0 is the maximum value for which this holds.

2. PRELIMINARY LEMMAS

Let \mathcal{P}_n denote the class of functions p analytic in E such that $p^{(k)}(0) = 0$ for $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$, where $p^{(0)}(0) = p(0)$. Similarly with $w^{(0)}(0) = w(0)$, we set $\mathcal{B}_n = \{w: w \text{ is analytic, } |w(z)| \leq 1 \text{ in } E \text{ and } w^{(k)}(0) = 0 \text{ for } k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}$. For each $w(z) \in \mathcal{B}_k$, Schwarz's lemma gives: $|w(z)| \leq |z|^{k+1}$ for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, k$ and $z \in E$.

To prove our results, we shall need the following lemmas.

Lemma 2.1. [7, Lemma1c] *Let $f \in \mathcal{U}$ have the series representation $z/f(z) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n z^n$.*

Then

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

Lemma 2.2. [6, Theorem 2] *Let $\phi(z) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n z^n$ be a non-vanishing analytic function in E and that it satisfies the condition*

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n-1)^3 |b_n| \leq 1.$$

Then the function $f(z) = z/\phi(z)$ is in \mathcal{N} .

3. MAIN RESULTS

In the following result we determine a range of λ such the $\mathcal{N}(\lambda) \subset \mathcal{S}_\alpha$ for some given real number $\alpha, 0 < \alpha \leq 1$.

Theorem 3.1. *Let $f(z) = z + a_2 z^2 + a_3 z^3 + \dots$ be in $\mathcal{N}(\lambda)$ and let $\alpha, 0 < \alpha \leq 1$, be some real number and $|a_2| \leq \sin(\alpha\pi/2)$. Then $f \in \mathcal{S}_\alpha$ provided $0 < \lambda \leq \lambda_*(\alpha, |a_2|)$, where*

$$\lambda_*(\alpha, |a_2|) = \frac{-|a_2| \cos(\alpha\pi/4) + \sin(\alpha\pi/4) \sqrt{4 \cos^2(\alpha\pi/4) - |a_2|^2}}{2 \cos(\alpha\pi/4)}. \quad (3.1)$$

Proof. As $f \in \mathcal{N}(\lambda)$, so there exists a function $w \in \mathcal{B}_1$ such that

$$-z^3 \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)''' + f'(z) \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^2 - 1 = \lambda w(z). \quad (3.2)$$

Write

$$p(z) = f'(z) \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^2 - 1 = \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)' - z \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)' - 1. \quad (3.3)$$

Obviously, p is analytic in E with $p(0) = p'(0) = 0$. Hence $p \in \mathcal{P}_1$. Then (3.2) is equivalent to

$$z^2 p''(z) - z p'(z) + p(z) = \lambda w(z). \tag{3.4}$$

Now, let

$$p(z) = \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} p_k z^k \quad \text{and} \quad w(z) = \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} w_k z^k.$$

A comparison of the coefficients of z^k on both sides in (3.4) gives that

$$p_k = \frac{\lambda w_k}{(k-1)^2} \quad \text{for } k \geq 2.$$

Using this, we see that

$$p(z) = \lambda \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{w_k}{(k-1)^2} z^k = \lambda w(z) * \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} z^{k+1}$$

Next, we recall (see [10]) that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(k+a)^q} z^k = \frac{1}{\Gamma(q)} \int_0^1 z(\log(1/t))^{q-1} \frac{t^a}{1-tz} dt \quad \text{for } \operatorname{Re} a > -1 \text{ and } \operatorname{Re} q > 1.$$

Using this result, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} p(z) &= \lambda w(z) * z^2 \int_0^1 \frac{\log(1/t)}{1-tz} dt \\ &= \lambda \int_0^1 \frac{w(tz)}{t^2} \log(1/t) dt. \end{aligned} \tag{3.5}$$

As $w \in \mathcal{B}_1$, from Schwarz's Lemma it follows that $|w(tz)| \leq |(tz)|^2$ and, in view of (3.3) and (3.5), we find that

$$\left| f'(z) \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^2 - 1 \right| \leq \lambda \int_0^1 \frac{|w(tz)|}{t^2} \log(1/t) dt \leq \lambda |z|^2 < \lambda,$$

which gives

$$\left| \arg \left[f'(z) \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^2 \right] \right| \leq \arcsin(\lambda). \tag{3.6}$$

In view of (3.3), we can write (3.5) as

$$-z \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} - 1 + a_2 z \right)' + \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} - 1 + a_2 z \right) = \lambda \int_0^1 \frac{w(tz)}{t^2} \log(1/t) dt.$$

From this we easily obtain

$$\frac{z}{f(z)} = 1 - a_2 z - \frac{\lambda}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{w(tz)}{t^2} (\log(1/t))^2 dt. \tag{3.7}$$

Then, as $w \in \mathcal{B}_1$ and $z \in E$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{z}{f(z)} - 1 \right| &\leq |a_2||z| + \frac{\lambda}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{|w(tz)|}{t^2} (\log(1/t))^2 dt, \\ &\leq |a_2||z| + \frac{\lambda}{2} |z|^2 \int_0^1 (\log(1/t))^2 dt, \\ &\leq |a_2||z| + \frac{\lambda}{2} \Gamma 3 |z|^2, \\ &< |a_2| + \lambda. \end{aligned}$$

From the above inequality we conclude that

$$\left| \arg \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right) \right| \leq \arcsin(|a_2| + \lambda). \tag{3.8}$$

Further

$$\arg \left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) = \arg \left[f'(z) \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^2 \right] - \arg \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right).$$

Using (3.6) and (3.8), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \arg \left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) \right| &\leq \left| \arg \left[f'(z) \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^2 \right] \right| + \left| \arg \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right) \right| \\ &< \arcsin(\lambda) + \arcsin(|a_2| + \lambda). \end{aligned}$$

Now, the desired conclusion follows if

$$\arcsin(\lambda) + \arcsin(|a_2| + \lambda) \leq \frac{\alpha\pi}{2}.$$

It is easy to verify that we can apply the result: $\arcsin(x) + \arcsin(y) = \arcsin(x\sqrt{1-y^2} + y\sqrt{1-x^2})$, $x, y \in [-1, 1]$ and $x^2 + y^2 \leq 1$. Therefore, $f \in \mathcal{S}_\alpha$, whenever

$$\arcsin \left[\lambda\sqrt{1-(|a_2|+\lambda)^2} + (|a_2|+\lambda)\sqrt{1-\lambda^2} \right] \leq \frac{\alpha\pi}{2}.$$

Equivalently,

$$\lambda \sqrt{1 - (|a_2| + \lambda)^2} \leq \sin \frac{\alpha\pi}{2} - (|a_2| + \lambda) \sqrt{1 - \lambda^2}$$

Squaring both sides of above inequality and then simplifying the resulting terms, we see that it is equivalent to

$$\left[\sqrt{1 - \lambda^2} \sin \frac{\alpha\pi}{2} - (|a_2| + \lambda) \right]^2 \geq \lambda^2 \cos^2 \frac{\alpha\pi}{2}$$

or,

$$\sqrt{1 - \lambda^2} \sin \frac{\alpha\pi}{2} - (|a_2| + \lambda) \geq \lambda \cos \frac{\alpha\pi}{2}$$

A simple calculation shows that above inequality is equivalent to

$$2\lambda^2 + 2|a_2|\lambda - \frac{\sin^2(\frac{\alpha\pi}{2}) - |a_2|^2}{1 + \cos(\frac{\alpha\pi}{2})} \leq 0,$$

which holds true for $0 < \lambda \leq \lambda_*(\alpha, |a_2|)$, where $\lambda_*(\alpha, |a_2|)$ is given by (3.1). □

For $\alpha = 1$, Theorem 3.1 immediately implies the following result.

Corollary 3.2. *If $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + a_3z^3 + \dots$ be in $\mathcal{N}(\lambda)$ and $|a_2| = |f''(0)|/2 \leq 1$, then $f \in \mathcal{S}^*$ whenever $0 < \lambda \leq \frac{-|a_2| + \sqrt{2 - |a_2|^2}}{2}$.*

Remark 3.3. In Theorem 3.1, if we replace λ_* by $\lambda/2$, we obtain the following result of Obradović and Ponnusamy [4, Corollary 1.10] :

If $0 < \lambda \leq (-|f''(0)| \cos(\pi\alpha/4) + \sin(\pi\alpha/4) \sqrt{16 \cos^2(\pi\alpha/4) - |f''(0)|^2})/2 \cos(\pi\alpha/4)$ with $\alpha \in (0, 1]$, then we have the inclusion $\mathcal{P}(\lambda) \subseteq \mathcal{S}_\alpha$.

Theorem 3.4. *Let $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + a_3z^3 + \dots$ be in $\mathcal{N}(\lambda)$ with $|a_2| = |f''(0)|/2 \leq 1$, $\gamma \in (0, 1]$ and λ_γ satisfy the inequality*

$$\sqrt{1 - \lambda^2} \sin \gamma\pi/2 \geq 2(|a_2| + \lambda) \sqrt{1 - (|a_2| + \lambda)^2} + \lambda \cos \gamma\pi/2. \tag{3.9}$$

Then $f \in R(\gamma)$ for $0 < \lambda \leq \lambda_\gamma$.

Proof. Since

$$|\arg f'(z)| \leq \left| \arg f'(z) \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right)^2 \right| + 2 \left| \arg \left(\frac{z}{f(z)} \right) \right|,$$

Using (3.6) and (3.8) in above inequality, it follows that

$$|\arg f'(z)| < \arcsin(\lambda) + 2 \arcsin(|a_2| + \lambda). \tag{3.10}$$

Then from (3.10), we see that $|\arg f'(z)| < \gamma\pi/2$ holds in E whenever

$$\arcsin(\lambda) + 2 \arcsin(|a_2| + \lambda) \leq \gamma\pi/2. \tag{3.11}$$

Using the formula $2 \arcsin(x) = \arcsin(2x\sqrt{1-x^2})$, $x \in (-1/\sqrt{2}, 1/\sqrt{2})$ and then by a computation and simplification, we find that inequality (3.11) is equivalent to (3.9). \square

If $a_2 = 0$ and $\gamma = 1$, then Theorem 3.4 gives :

Corollary 3.5. *If $f(z) = z + a_3z^3 + a_4z^4 \dots$ be in $\mathcal{N}(\lambda)$ and $0 < \lambda \leq 1/2$, then $\operatorname{Re} f'(z) > 0$ in E .*

Remark 3.6. In Theorem 3.4, if we replace λ by $\lambda/2$, we obtain the following result of Obradović and Ponnusamy [4, Corollary 1.13] :

Let $f \in \mathcal{P}(\lambda)$. Suppose $0 < \lambda \leq 2$ and $0 < \gamma \leq 1$ are given by $\sin(\pi\gamma/2)\sqrt{4-\lambda^2} \geq (|f''(0)| + \lambda)\sqrt{4 - (|f''(0)| + \lambda)^2} + \lambda \cos(\pi\gamma/2)$. Then we have $\mathcal{P}(\lambda) \subset \mathcal{S}^*(\gamma)$.

In the next result, we find conditions under which functions in $\mathcal{N}(\lambda)$ belong to $\mathcal{S}^*(\gamma)$, $0 \leq \gamma < 1$.

Theorem 3.7. *If $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + a_3z^3 + \dots$ be in $\mathcal{N}(\lambda)$ and $|a_2| = |f''(0)|/2 \leq 1$, then $f \in \mathcal{S}^*(\gamma)$, $0 \leq \gamma < 1$ whenever $0 < \lambda \leq \frac{(1-\gamma)-(\gamma+1)|a_2|}{\sqrt{2+\gamma}}$.*

Proof. As $f \in \mathcal{N}(\lambda)$. Then, from (3.5) and in view of (3.3) and (3.7), we obtain

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} = \frac{f'(z) \left(\frac{z}{f(z)}\right)^2}{\frac{z}{f(z)}} = \frac{1 + \lambda \int_0^1 \frac{w(tz)}{t^2} \log(1/t) dt}{1 - a_2z - \frac{\lambda}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{w(tz)}{t^2} (\log(1/t))^2 dt}, \quad w \in \mathcal{B}_1 \text{ and } z \in E. \tag{3.12}$$

Now $f \in \mathcal{S}^*(\gamma)$ is equivalent to the condition:

$$\frac{1}{1-\gamma} \left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - \gamma \right) \neq iT, \quad \text{for all } T \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } z \in E. \tag{3.13}$$

Using (3.12) in (3.13), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \lambda \int_0^1 \frac{w(tz)}{t^2} \log(1/t) dt - \gamma(1-iT) \left[1 - a_2z - \frac{\lambda}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{w(tz)}{t^2} (\log(1/t))^2 dt \right] \\ & - iT \left[-a_2z - \frac{\lambda}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{w(tz)}{t^2} (\log(1/t))^2 dt \right] \neq -(1-iT), \end{aligned}$$

or equivalently,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \left[\lambda \int_0^1 \frac{w(tz)}{t^2} \log(1/t) dt + \left(-a_2 z - \frac{\lambda}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{w(tz)}{t^2} (\log(1/t))^2 dt \right) \right] \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1+iT}{1-iT} \left[\lambda \int_0^1 \frac{w(tz)}{t^2} \log(1/t) dt - \left(-a_2 z - \frac{\lambda}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{w(tz)}{t^2} (\log(1/t))^2 dt \right) \right] \\ & - \gamma \left[1 - a_2 z - \frac{\lambda}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{w(tz)}{t^2} (\log(1/t))^2 dt \right] \neq -1. \end{aligned} \quad (3.14)$$

If we denote the left-hand side of (3.14) by $H(w, T, z)$ and let

$$M = \sup_{T \in \mathbb{R}, w \in \mathcal{B}_1, z \in E} |H(w, T, z)|$$

then, in view of the rotation invariance property of the space \mathcal{B}_1 , we see that $f \in \mathcal{S}^*(\gamma)$ if $M \leq 1$. It can be seen that

$$\begin{aligned} M & \leq \sup_{w \in \mathcal{B}_1, z \in E} \left| \frac{\lambda}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{w(tz)}{t^2} \log(1/t) dt - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{w(tz)}{t^2} (\log(1/t))^2 dt \right| \\ & + \frac{\lambda}{2} \left| \int_0^1 \frac{w(tz)}{t^2} \log(1/t) dt + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{w(tz)}{t^2} (\log(1/t))^2 dt \right| + |a_2||z| \\ & + \gamma \left| 1 - |a_2||z| - \frac{\lambda}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{w(tz)}{t^2} (\log(1/t))^2 dt \right| \end{aligned}$$

Using the Parallelogram Law: $|z_1 + z_2| + |z_1 - z_2| \leq 2\sqrt{|z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} M & \leq \lambda \sup_{w \in \mathcal{B}_1, z \in E} \left[\sqrt{\left| \int_0^1 \frac{w(tz)}{t^2} \log(1/t) dt \right|^2 + \left| \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \frac{w(tz)}{t^2} (\log(1/t))^2 dt \right|^2} \right] \\ & + \gamma + (1 + \gamma)|a_2||z| + \gamma \frac{\lambda}{2} \left| \int_0^1 \frac{w(tz)}{t^2} (\log(1/t))^2 dt \right|. \end{aligned}$$

As $w \in \mathcal{B}_1$, so using the fact $|w(z)| \leq |z|^2$ in E , we get

$$\begin{aligned} M & \leq \lambda \sup_{z \in E} \sqrt{\left(\int_0^1 \log(1/t) dt \right)^2 + \left(\int_0^1 \frac{1}{2} (\log(1/t))^2 dt \right)^2} |z|^2 \\ & + \gamma + (1 + \gamma)|a_2||z| + \gamma \frac{\lambda}{2} \left(\int_0^1 (\log(1/t))^2 dt \right) |z|^2, \\ & = \lambda(\sqrt{2} + \gamma)|z|^2 + \gamma + (1 + \gamma)|a_2||z| \end{aligned}$$

Thus (3.13) (or 3.14) holds if $0 < \lambda \leq \frac{(1-\gamma)-(\gamma+1)|a_2|}{\sqrt{2}+\gamma}$. □

Corollary 3.8. Let $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + a_3z^3 + \dots$ be in $\mathcal{N}(\lambda)$ and $a_2 = f''(0)/2 = 0$. Then $f \in \mathcal{S}^*(\gamma)$, $0 \leq \gamma < 1$ provided $0 < \lambda \leq \frac{1-\gamma}{\sqrt{2+\gamma}}$.

Choosing $\gamma = 0$ and $a_2 = f''(0)/2 = 0$ in Theorem 3.7, we have the following

Corollary 3.9. Let $f(z) = z + a_3z^3 + a_4z^4 + \dots$ be in $\mathcal{N}(\lambda)$ then $f \in \mathcal{S}^*$ provided $0 < \lambda \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$.

Theorem 3.10. Let $f \in \mathcal{U}$ be of the form $z/f(z) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n z^n$ and $g(z) = \frac{1}{r}f(rz)$, $z \in E$. Then $g \in \mathcal{N}$ for $0 < r \leq r_0$, where $r_0 \approx 0.4913$ is the unique positive root of the equation

$$2r^{10} + 6r^8 + 21r^6 - 9r^4 + 5r^2 - 1 = 0. \quad (3.15)$$

Proof. Since $f \in \mathcal{U}$ and has the form

$$f(z) = \frac{z}{1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n z^n}, \quad z \in E, \quad (3.16)$$

Therefore, by Lemma 2.1, we have

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n-1)^2 |b_n|^2 \leq 1. \quad (3.17)$$

Using (3.16), for $0 < r \leq 1$, we can write

$$\frac{z}{\frac{1}{r}f(rz)} = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (b_n r^n) z^n.$$

In view of Lemma 2.2, we need to show

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n-1)^3 |b_n r^n| \leq 1, \quad \text{for } 0 < r \leq r_0.$$

Now, in view of Cauchy-Schwarz inequality and (3.17), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n-1)^3 |b_n| r^n &\leq \left(\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n-1)^2 |b_n|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n-1)^4 r^{2n} \right)^{1/2} \\ &\leq \left(\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n-1)^4 r^{2n} \right)^{1/2} \\ &= \left(\frac{r^4(1+11r^2+11r^4+r^6)}{(1-r^2)^5} \right)^{1/2} \leq 1, \end{aligned}$$

provided $0 < r \leq r_0$. Using Mathematica, One can verify that $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (n-1)^4 r^{2n} = \frac{r^4(1+11r^2+11r^4+r^6)}{(1-r^2)^5}$ and that equation (3.15) has only one positive real root in $(0, 1)$. \square

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