

On the conformal mapping of nearly circular domains.

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1. Let us denote by C a closed Jordan curve on w -plane, contained in $1-\varepsilon \leq |w| \leq 1+\varepsilon$ for $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ and surrounding the origin, and denote by D the interior of C . When ε is sufficiently small, D is a so-called nearly circular domain. Let $w=F(z)$ be the function mapping the interior of the unit circle $|z| < 1$ conformally onto D such that $F(0)=0$, $F'(0) > 0$. The estimates of various quantities related to D or $F(z)$ in terms of ε have been given by various authors, recently by S. E. Warschawski [8], E. Specht [5], and Z. Nehari and V. Singh [4]. In [8] and [5], $d \arg F(e^{i\theta})/d\theta$ is estimated under some additional conditions for C . We treat, in this paper, the similar problems under somewhat different conditions, where C is not necessarily starlike with respect to the origin and there may be several angular points on it. Further we derive the inequalities concerning $|F'(e^{i\theta})|$, $\arg F(e^{i\theta})-\theta$, etc. We consider next about the expansion of $F(z)$ by ε . The results obtained there are possibly helpful to the numerical computation of $F(z)$.

2. We begin with several lemmas.

LEMMA 1. *Let Δ be the sum of two open circular discs $|w| < 1$ and $|w-a| < r$, where $0 < r \leq 1$ and $1-r < a < 1+r$, and $e^{i\alpha}, e^{-i\alpha}$ ($0 < \alpha < \pi/2$) the intersections of those circumferences. Further we denote by $w=f(z)$ the function mapping $|z| < 1$ conformally onto Δ such that $f(0)=0$, $f'(0) > 0$, and put $f(e^{i\beta})=e^{i\alpha}$, $f(e^{-i\beta})=e^{-i\alpha}$. Then $d \arg f(e^{i\theta})/d\theta$ for $-\beta < \theta < \beta$ attains its maximum at $\theta=0$.*

PROOF. The function $w=f(z)$ is represented explicitly by the composition of the functions

$$(1) \quad z = \frac{1+i\zeta \tan \beta/2}{1-i\zeta \tan \beta/2},$$

$$(2) \quad w = \frac{\cos \frac{\alpha-\delta}{2} 1+i\omega \tan \frac{\alpha-\delta}{2}}{\cos \frac{\alpha+\delta}{2} 1-i\omega \tan \frac{\alpha+\delta}{2}}$$

and

$$(3) \quad \frac{1+\omega}{1-\omega} = \left(\frac{1+\zeta}{1-\zeta} \right)^{1+\delta/\pi},$$