

153. Note on a Certain Multivalent Function.

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In this note we prove a theorem on a certain multivalent function.

Theorem. Let

$$w=f(z)=\frac{1}{z^k}+a_k z^k+a_{k+1} z^{k+1}+a_{k+2} z^{k+2}+\dots+a_n z^n+\dots \quad (a_k \neq 0)$$

be regular and k -valent in $0 < |z| < 1$, then

$$k|a_k|^2+(k+1)|a_{k+1}|^2+(k+2)|a_{k+2}|^2+\dots+n|a_n|^2+\dots \leq k.$$

Proof. We consider at first a circle $|z|=r$ ($0 < r < 1$), then we may write

$$\left| \sum_{n=k+1}^{\infty} a_n z^{n-k} \right| < \delta,$$

where δ denotes a certain positive constant. Therefore, if we write

$$\zeta = \frac{1}{z^k} + a_k z^k$$

$$|w - \zeta| < \delta |z|^k = \delta r^k$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} |w - 2\sqrt{a_k}| + |w + 2\sqrt{a_k}| &\leq 2|w - \zeta| + |\zeta - 2\sqrt{a_k}| + |\zeta + 2\sqrt{a_k}| \\ &< 2\delta r^k + |\zeta - 2\sqrt{a_k}| + |\zeta + 2\sqrt{a_k}|. \end{aligned}$$

Now, since

$$\begin{aligned} |\zeta - 2\sqrt{a_k}| + |\zeta + 2\sqrt{a_k}| &= \left| z^{\frac{k}{2}} - a_k^{\frac{1}{2}} z^{\frac{k}{2}} \right|^2 + \left| z^{-\frac{k}{2}} + a_k^{\frac{1}{2}} z^{\frac{k}{2}} \right|^2 \\ &= 2\left\{ \left| z^{-\frac{k}{2}} \right|^2 + \left| a_k^{\frac{1}{2}} z^{\frac{k}{2}} \right|^2 \right\} \\ &= 2\left\{ \frac{1}{r^k} + |a_k| r^k \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

it follows that

$$|w - 2\sqrt{a_k}| + |w + 2\sqrt{a_k}| < 2\left\{ \frac{1}{r^k} + (|a_k| + \delta)r^k \right\}. \quad (1)$$

Thus the image of $|z|=r$ by $w=f(z)$ lies in the elliptic domain (1) on the w -plane. Let A denote its area, then