

185. On the Univalence of Certain Integral

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1. Let S be the class of functions $f(z)$ regular, univalent in $|z| < 1$ and normalized by $f(0)=0$, $f'(0)=1$. On the other hand, let C , S^* and K be the subclass of S convex, starlike and close-to-convex functions, respectively. In the recent papers, [1], [2], [3, p. 40], [6, 7] and [9], the univalence of the functions

$$g(z) = \int_0^z \left(\frac{f(t)}{t} \right)^\alpha dt \quad \text{and} \quad g(z) = \int_0^z (f'(t))^\alpha dt$$

was studied.

2. On the univalence of $g(z) = \int_0^z (f'(t))^\alpha dt$.

Lemma 1. Let $f(z)$ be regular for $|z| \leq r$ and $f'(z) \neq 0$ on $|z| = r$. Suppose that on $|z| = r$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} d \arg df(z) = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} [\arg z f'(z)] d\theta = \int_0^{2\pi} \operatorname{Re} \left(1 + \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) d\theta = 2\pi$$

If furthermore

$$\int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} d \arg df(z) = \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} [\arg z f'(z)] d\theta < 3\pi \quad \text{for } \theta_1 < \theta_2$$

or

$$\int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} d \arg df(z) = \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} [\arg z f'(z)] d\theta > -\pi \quad \text{for } \theta_1 < \theta_2$$

then $f(z)$ is univalent and close-to-convex in $|z| < r$.

We owe this lemma to Umezawa [11] and Reade [8].

Lemma 2. Let $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \in K$. Then there is a $\rho < 1$ such that for all γ in the interval $\rho < \gamma < 1$

$$\int_{|z|=r} d \arg df(z) = 2\pi$$

and

$$3\pi > \int_C d \arg df(z) > -\pi,$$

where C is an arbitrary arc on the boundary $|z| = r$.

We owe this lemma to Umezawa [12, Theorem 1].

Theorem 1. Let $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \in K$. Then

$$g(z) = \int_0^z (f'(t))^\alpha dt$$

belongs to S and close-to-convex for $-\frac{1}{3} \leq \alpha \leq 1$.

Proof. From Lemma 2 there is a $\rho < 1$ such that for all r in the interval $\rho < r < 1$

$$(1) \quad \int_{|z|=r} darg df(z) = 2\pi$$

and

$$(2) \quad 3\pi > \int_C darg df(z) > -\pi,$$

where C is an arbitrary arc on the boundary $|z| = r$.

It is easily obtained that

$$\int_C darg dg(z) = \alpha \int_C darg df(z) + (1-\alpha) \int_C darg dz$$

and therefore from (1)

$$\int_{|z|=r} darg dg(z) = \alpha \int_{|z|=r} darg df(z) + (1-\alpha) \int_{|z|=r} darg dz = 2\pi.$$

Letting α be a negative real number, then we have from (2)

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C darg dg(z) &\leq \alpha \int_C darg df(z) + 2\pi(1-\alpha) \\ &< -\alpha\pi + 2\pi(1-\alpha) = 2\pi - 3\alpha\pi. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we have

$$\int_C darg dg(z) < 3\pi \quad \text{for} \quad -\frac{1}{3} \leq \alpha < 0.$$

Taking r sufficiently near to 1, it follows from Lemma 1 that $g(z)$ is univalent and close-to-convex in $|z| < 1$ for $-\frac{1}{3} \leq \alpha < 0$.

Applying this result and [9, Theorem 1] we can complete our proof. This is an improvement of [9, Theorem 1].

Theorem 2. Let $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \in C$. Then

$$g(z) = \int_0^z (f'(t))^\alpha dt$$

belongs to S and close-to-convex for $-0.5 \leq \alpha \leq 1.5$.

Proof. Since $f(z)$ is a convex function we have

$$\int_C darg df(z) > 0$$

where C is an arbitrary arc on the boundary $|z| = r$ and so by the same method as in the proof of Theorem 1 we can prove from Lemma 1 that $g(z)$ is univalent and close-to-convex in $|z| < 1$ for $-0.5 \leq \alpha < 0$. Applying this result and [7, Theorem 3] we can complete our proof.

3. On the univalence of $g(z) = \int_0^z \left(\frac{f(t)}{t}\right)^\alpha dt$.

Lemma 3. Let $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \in K$. Then we have

$$3\pi > \int_C darg f(z) > -\pi$$

where C is an arbitrary arc on the boundary $|z|=r<1$.

Proof. Since $f(z)$ is close-to-convex, there exists by [4] a convex function $h(z)$ such that

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{f'(z)}{h'(z)} > 0 \quad \text{in } |z| < 1.$$

Then we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{f(z)}{h(z)} > 0 \quad \text{in } |z| < 1$$

by Sakaguchi [10], [5]. This shows that

$$\pi > \int_C darg \frac{f(z)}{h(z)} > -\pi$$

where C is an arbitrary arc on the boundary $|z|=r<1$ and so that

$$3\pi \geq \int_C darg h(z) + \pi > \int_C darg f(z) > \int_C darg h(z) - \pi \geq -\pi.$$

This completes our proof.

Theorem 3. Let $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \in K$. Then

$$g(z) = \int_0^z \left(\frac{f(t)}{t} \right)^\alpha dt$$

belongs to S and close-to-convex in $|z| < 1$ for $-\frac{1}{3} \leq \alpha \leq 1$.

Proof. Take r sufficiently near to 1. Then we have on $|z|=r<1$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{|z|=r} darg dg(z) &= \int_{|z|=r} darg g'(z) + \int_{|z|=r} darg dz \\ &= \alpha \int_{|z|=r} darg f(z) + (1-\alpha) \int_{|z|=r} darg dz = 2\pi. \end{aligned}$$

Let α be a negative real number. Then we have from Lemma 3

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C darg dg(z) &= \alpha \int_C darg f(z) + (1-\alpha) \int_C darg dz \\ &< -\alpha\pi + 2\pi(1-\alpha). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we have

$$\int_C darg dg(z) < 3\pi \quad \text{for } -\frac{1}{3} \leq \alpha < 0.$$

This shows that $g(z)$ is univalent and close-to-convex in $|z| < 1$ for $-\frac{1}{3} \leq \alpha < 0$. On the other hand, we have also

$$\int_C darg dg(z) > -\pi \quad \text{for } 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1.$$

Therefore $g(z)$ is univalent and close-to-convex in $|z| < 1$ for $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$. This completes our proof and improves [1, Theorem 1].

Theorem 4. Let $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \in S^*$. Then

$$g(z) = \int_0^z \left(\frac{f(t)}{t} \right)^\alpha dt$$

belongs to S and close-to-convex in $|z| < 1$ for $-0.5 \leq \alpha \leq 1.5$.

Proof. Take r sufficiently near to 1. Then we have on $|z| = r < 1$

$$\int_{|z|=r} darg dg(z) = \alpha \int_{|z|=r} darg f(z) + (1-\alpha) \int_{|z|=r} darg dz = 2\pi$$

Since $f(z)$ is starlike in $|z| < 1$, we have

$$\int_C darg f(z) > 0$$

where C is an arbitrary arc on the boundary $|z| = r$. Let α be a negative real number. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C darg dg(z) &= \alpha \int_C darg f(z) + (1-\alpha) \int_C darg dz \\ &< (1-\alpha) \int_C darg dz \leq 2\pi(1-\alpha). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we have

$$\int_C darg dg(z) < 3\pi \quad \text{for } -0.5 \leq \alpha < 0.$$

Applying Lemma 1 to $g(z)$ we have that $g(z)$ is univalent and close-to-convex in $|z| < 1$ for $-0.5 \leq \alpha < 0$. For the case in which α is a positive real number, we have also

$$\int_C darg dg(z) > -\pi \quad \text{for } 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1.5$$

Therefore $g(z)$ belongs to S and close-to-convex in $|z| < 1$ for $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1.5$. This completes our proof. By the same method as above we obtain the following theorems:

Theorem 5. Let $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^\infty a_n z^n \in C$. Then

$$g(z) = \int_0^z \left(\frac{f(t)}{t} \right)^\alpha dt$$

is univalent and close-to-convex in $|z| < 1$ for $-1 \leq \alpha \leq 3$.

Theorem 6. Let $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^\infty a_n z^n \in S^*$. Then

$$g(z) = \int_0^z \left(\frac{t f'(t)}{f(t)} \right)^\alpha dt$$

is univalent and close-to-convex in $|z| < 1$ for $-1 \leq \alpha \leq 1$.

Theorem 7. Let $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^\infty a_n z^n$ be regular, univalent and $\operatorname{Re} \frac{f(z)}{z} > 0$ in $|z| < 1$ and

$$g(z) = \int_0^z \left(\frac{f(t)}{t} \right)^\alpha dt$$

Then $g(z)$ is univalent and close-to-convex in $|z| < 1$ for $-1 \leq \alpha \leq 1$.

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