

# Radius of exponential convexity of certain subclass of analytic functions

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ABSTRACT. Let  $\mathcal{S}$  be the class of analytic normalized univalent functions defined on the unit disk  $\Delta = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$  and  $f, g$  be two functions in  $\mathcal{S}$  satisfying  $Re\left(\frac{zf'(z)e^{\alpha f(z)}}{g(z)}\right) > 0$  and  $\left|\frac{zf'(z)e^{\alpha f(z)}}{g(z)} - 1\right| < 1$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ . We determine the radius of exponential convexity of  $f \in \mathcal{S}$  whenever  $g$  satisfies (i)  $Re\frac{g(z)}{z} > 0$  (ii)  $Re\frac{g(z)}{z} > 1/2$ .

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $\Delta$  denote the open unit disk  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$  in  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  the class of normalized analytic functions on  $\Delta$ . Let  $\mathcal{S}$  denote the subclass of  $\mathcal{A}$  consisting of functions univalent in  $\Delta$ . The class of starlike functions and convex functions are two standard subclasses of  $\mathcal{S}$ .

For two functions  $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + a_3z^3 + \dots$  and  $g(z) = z + b_2z^2 + b_3z^3 + \dots$ , in  $\mathcal{A}$ , the sharp radius of convexity of functions satisfying

$$\Re\left(\frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)}\right) > 0$$

whenever  $g$  satisfies various geometric conditions like univalence, starlikeness, convexity, starlikeness of order  $\alpha$  and convexity of order  $\alpha$ , ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ) were obtained by Ratti [4]. In [5] he obtained similar results when  $f, g \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfying

$$\left|\frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} - 1\right| < 1$$

where again  $g$  satisfies the conditions above. Motivated by the above results, we obtain the radius of  $\alpha$ -exponential convexity for functions  $f \in \mathcal{S}$  whenever  $g$  satisfies certain conditions similar to above. We recall the definition of exponential convex functions.

**Definition 1.1.** Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ . A function  $f \in \mathcal{S}$  is said to belong to the class  $E(\alpha)$  of  $\alpha$ -exponentially convex functions if  $F(\Delta)$  is a convex set where  $F(z) = e^{\alpha f(z)}$ .

This class was introduced and studied by Arango *etal.* [1]

**Remark 1.1.** For  $f \in E(\alpha)$  and  $x \in \bar{\Delta} \setminus \{0\}$ , the function  $f(xz)/x$  is not necessarily in  $E(\alpha)$ .

The following theorem gives an analytic characterization of exponentially convex univalent functions.

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**Theorem 1.1.** [1] Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ . A function  $f$  analytic in  $\Delta$  with  $f(0) = 0, f'(0) = 1$  is in  $E(\alpha)$  if and only if

$$\Re\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + \alpha zf'(z)\right) > 0, z \in \Delta.$$

We now state few lemmas which are useful to prove our main results.

**Lemma 1.1.** [3] If  $h(z) = 1 + c_1z + c_2z^2 + \dots$  is analytic in  $|z| < 1$  and  $\Re(h(z)) > 0$  for  $|z| < 1$ , then

(i)  $\left| \frac{h'(z)}{h(z)} \right| \leq \frac{2}{1 - |z|^2}.$

(ii)  $\Re\left\{ \frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} \right\} \geq \frac{-2|z|}{1 - |z|^2}.$

**Lemma 1.2.** [4] The function  $g(z)$  is analytic for  $|z| < 1$  and satisfies  $g(0) = 1$  and  $\Re(g(z)) > \alpha$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ) for  $|z| < 1$  if and only if  $g(z) = \frac{1 + (2\alpha - 1)z\phi(z)}{1 + z\phi(z)}$ , where  $\phi(z)$  is analytic and satisfies  $|\phi(z)| \leq 1$  for  $|z| < 1$ .

**Lemma 1.3.** [4] If  $\phi(z)$  is analytic for  $|z| < 1$  and  $|\phi(z)| \leq 1$  for  $|z| < 1$ , then

(i)  $|\phi'(z)| \leq \frac{1 - |\phi(z)|^2}{1 - |z|^2};$  (ii)  $\left| \frac{z\phi'(z) + \phi(z)}{1 + z\phi(z)} \right| \leq \frac{1}{1 - |z|}.$

**Lemma 1.4.** [4] If  $h(z) = 1 + c_1z + c_2z^2 + \dots + \dots$  is analytic in  $|z| < 1$  and  $\Re(h(z)) > \alpha$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ) for  $|z| < 1$ , then  $\Re(h(z)) \geq \frac{1 - (2\alpha - 1)|z|}{1 + |z|}.$

**Lemma 1.5.** [2] If  $h(z) = 1 + c_1z + c_2z^2 + \dots + \dots$  is analytic in  $|z| < 1$  and  $\Re h(z) > 0$  for  $|z| < 1$ , then  $\Re(h(z)) \geq \frac{1 - |z|}{1 + |z|}.$

**Remark 1.2.** Functions of the form  $h(z) = 1 + c_1z + \dots$  defined on the unit disk satisfying  $\Re(h(z)) > 0$  are called positive functions.

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$  and  $g(z) = z + b_2z^2 + \dots$  be two functions in  $\mathcal{S}$ , satisfying  $\Re\left(\frac{zf'(z)e^{\alpha f(z)}}{g(z)}\right) > 0$ . If  $g$  satisfies  $\Re\left(\frac{g(z)}{z}\right) > 0, z \in \Delta$ , then the radius of  $\alpha$ -exponential convexity of  $f$  is 0.36

*Proof.* If  $f$  satisfies  $\Re\left(\frac{zf'(z)e^{\alpha f(z)}}{g(z)}\right) > 0$ , then there is a positive function  $h$  such that

$$zf'(z)e^{\alpha f(z)} = g(z)h(z).$$

Taking logarithmic derivatives on both-sides,

$$1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + \alpha zf'(z) = \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} + \frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} \tag{2.1}$$

which implies

$$\Re\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + \alpha zf'(z)\right) = \Re\left(\frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)}\right) + \Re\left(\frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)}\right)$$

$$\geq \frac{1 - 2|z| - |z|^2}{1 - |z|^2} - \frac{2|z|}{1 - |z|^2} = \frac{1 - 4|z| - |z|^2}{1 - |z|^2}.$$

If  $\frac{1 - 4|z| - |z|^2}{1 - |z|^2} > 0$ , that is, if  $|z| < \sqrt{5} - 2 = 0.36$ , then  $\Re\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + \alpha zf'(z)\right) > 0$ .

Thus,  $f$  is  $\alpha$ -exponential convex in the disk  $|z| < \sqrt{5} - 2 = 0.36$   $\square$

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$  and  $g(z) = z + b_2z^2 + \dots$  be in  $\mathcal{S}$ , and  $\Re\left(\frac{zf'(z)e^{\alpha f(z)}}{g(z)}\right) > 0$ .

If  $g$  satisfy  $\Re\left(\frac{g(z)}{z}\right) > \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $z \in \Delta$ , then the radius of  $\alpha$ -exponential convexity of  $f$  is 0.28078

*Proof.* If  $f$  satisfies  $\Re\left(\frac{zf'(z)e^{\alpha f(z)}}{g(z)}\right) > 0$ , then there is a positive function  $h$  such that  $zf'(z)e^{\alpha f(z)} = g(z)h(z)$ . Taking logarithmic derivatives on both sides

$$1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + \alpha zf'(z) = \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} + \frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)}$$

$$\Re\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + \alpha zf'(z)\right) = \Re\left(\frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)}\right) + \Re\left(\frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)}\right).$$

Since  $\Re\left(\frac{g(z)}{z}\right) > \frac{1}{2}$  we have  $\frac{g(z)}{z} = \frac{1}{1 + z\phi(z)}$  for some analytic function  $\phi$  such that  $|\phi(z)| \leq 1$ . Therefore,

$$\frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} = 1 - \frac{z\phi(z) + z^2\phi'(z)}{1 + z\phi(z)}$$

where  $\left|\frac{z\phi(z) + z^2\phi'(z)}{1 + z\phi(z)}\right| \leq \frac{|z|}{1 - |z|}$ .

$$\Re\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + \alpha zf'(z)\right) \geq 1 - \frac{|z|}{1 - |z|} - \frac{2|z|}{1 - |z|^2} = \frac{1 - 3|z| - 2|z|^2}{1 - |z|^2}.$$

If  $1 - 3|z| - 2|z|^2 > 0$  that is if  $|z| < 0.2878$  then  $\Re\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + \alpha zf'(z)\right) > 0$ .

Thus  $f$  is  $\alpha$ -exponential convex in  $|z| \leq 0.28078$   $\square$

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$  and  $g(z) = z + b_2z^2 + \dots$  be in  $\mathcal{S}$ , and  $\left|\frac{zf'(z)e^{\alpha f(z)}}{g(z)} - 1\right| < 1$ , where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  for  $|z| < 1$ . If  $\Re\left(\frac{g(z)}{z}\right) > 0$  then  $f$  is of  $\alpha$ -exponential convex in  $|z| < \frac{1}{3}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $h(z) = \frac{zf'(z)e^{\alpha f(z)}}{g(z)} - 1$ . Then  $h(z)$  is analytic in  $\Delta$  with  $h(0) = 0$ ,  $|h(z)| < 1$  for  $|z| < 1$ . By Schwarz's lemma,  $h(z) = z\phi(z)$ , with  $|\phi(z)| \leq 1$ . Therefore,

$$\frac{zf'(z)e^{\alpha f(z)}}{g(z)} - 1 = z\phi(z) \text{ i.e.}$$

$zf'(z)e^{\alpha f(z)} = g(z)(1 + z\phi(z))$ . Taking logarithmic derivative on both sides

$$\frac{1}{z} + \frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} + \alpha f'(z) = \frac{g'(z)}{g(z)} + \frac{z\phi'(z) + \phi(z)}{1 + z\phi(z)}$$

which gives

$$1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + z\alpha f'(z) = \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} + \frac{z(z\phi'(z) + \phi(z))}{1 + z\phi(z)}.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \Re\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + z\alpha f'(z)\right) &= \Re\left(\frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)}\right) + \Re\left(\frac{z(z\phi'(z) + \phi(z))}{1 + z\phi(z)}\right) \\ &\geq \frac{1 - 2|z| - |z|^2}{1 - |z|^2} - \frac{|z|}{1 - |z|} = \frac{1 - 3|z|}{1 - |z|^2}. \end{aligned}$$

If  $1 - 3|z| > 0$  then  $\Re\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + z\alpha f'(z)\right) > 0$ .

Hence  $f$  satisfying the given condition is  $\alpha$ - exponential convex in the disk  $|z| < \frac{1}{3}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.5.** Let  $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$  and  $g(z) = z + b_2z^2 + \dots$  be in  $\mathcal{S}$ , and  $\left|\frac{zf'(z)e^{\alpha f(z)}}{g(z)} - 1\right| < 1$  where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  for  $|z| < 1$ . If  $\Re\left(\frac{g(z)}{z}\right) > \frac{1}{2}$  then  $f$  is of  $\alpha$ - exponential convex in  $|z| < \frac{1}{3}$ .

*Proof.* In lines similar to the proof of the previous Theorem

$$\Re\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + z\alpha f'(z)\right) \geq \Re\left(\frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)}\right) - \frac{|z|}{1 - |z|} \geq 1 - \frac{|z|}{1 - |z|} - \frac{|z|}{1 - |z|} = \frac{1 - 3|z|}{1 - |z|}.$$

If  $1 - 3|z| > 0$ , that is,  $|z| < \frac{1}{3}$ , it is true that  $\Re\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + z\alpha f'(z)\right) > 0$ .  $\square$

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