

NEW GENERALIZATIONS OF AHLFOR'S, BECKER'S AND
PASCU'S UNIVALENCE CRITERIONS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we obtain new generalizations of Ahlfors's, Becker's and Pascu's univalence criterions in the open unit disk for the integral

$$\left[\alpha \int_0^z u^{\alpha-1} f'(u) du \right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}},$$

the function $f \in \mathcal{A}$ and α complex number, $\alpha \neq 0$.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let \mathcal{A} be the class of analytic functions f in the unit disk $\mathcal{U} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$, $f(0) = f'(0) - 1 = 0$ and \mathcal{S} be the subclass of univalent functions in the class \mathcal{A} .

We will use the following lemmas for proving our main results.

Lemma 1. (*Pescar [7]*). Let α and c be complex numbers, $\operatorname{Re} \alpha > 0$, $|c| \leq 1$, $c \neq -1$ and $f \in \mathcal{A}$, $f(z) = z + a_2 z^2 + \dots$

If

$$\left| c|z|^{2\alpha} + (1 - |z|^{2\alpha}) \frac{zf''(z)}{\alpha f'(z)} \right| \leq 1, \tag{1}$$

for all $z \in \mathcal{U}$, then the function

$$F_\alpha(z) = \left[\alpha \int_0^z u^{\alpha-1} f'(u) du \right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \tag{2}$$

is regular and univalent in \mathcal{U} .

Lemma 2. (Schwarz [4]). Let f be the function regular in the disk $\mathcal{U}_R = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < R\}$ with $|f(z)| < M$, M fixed. If f has in $z = 0$ one zero with multiplicity $\geq m$, then

$$|f(z)| \leq \frac{M}{R^m} |z|^m, \quad (z \in \mathcal{U}_R), \quad (3)$$

the equality (in the inequality (3) for $z \neq 0$) can hold only if

$$f(z) = e^{i\theta} \frac{M}{R^m} z^m,$$

where θ is constant.

2. MAIN RESULTS

Theorem 1. Let α and c be complex numbers, $\operatorname{Re} \alpha > 0$, $|c| \leq 1$, $c \neq -1$ and $f \in \mathcal{A}$, $f(z) = z + a_2 z^2 + \dots$

If

$$|c||z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha} + \frac{1 - |z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha}}{\operatorname{Re} \alpha} \left| \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \leq 1, \quad (4)$$

for all $z \in \mathcal{U}$, then the function

$$F_\alpha(z) = \left[\alpha \int_0^z u^{\alpha-1} f'(u) du \right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \quad (5)$$

is regular and univalent in \mathcal{U} .

Proof. For $z = 0$, the condition (4) is verified.

If $z \in \mathcal{U}$, $z \neq 0$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{1 - |z|^{2\alpha}}{\alpha} \right| &= \left| \frac{1 - e^{2\alpha \ln |z|}}{\alpha} \right| = \left| 2 \ln |z| \int_0^1 e^{2\alpha t \ln |z|} dt \right| \leq \\ &\leq -2 \ln |z| \int_0^1 \left| e^{2\alpha t \ln |z|} \right| dt = -2 \ln |z| \int_0^1 e^{2t \operatorname{Re} \alpha \cdot \ln |z|} dt = \\ &= \frac{1 - |z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha}}{\operatorname{Re} \alpha}, \end{aligned}$$

for $\operatorname{Re} \alpha > 0$ and, hence we have

$$\left| \frac{1 - |z|^{2\alpha}}{\alpha} \right| \leq \frac{1 - |z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha}}{\operatorname{Re} \alpha}, \quad (6)$$

for all $z \in \mathcal{U}$. We consider the function $w(z) = c|z|^{2\alpha} + \frac{1-|z|^{2\alpha}}{\alpha} \cdot \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}$, $z \in \mathcal{U}$. Using the function $w(z)$ and the relation (6) we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| c|z|^{2\alpha} + \frac{1-|z|^{2\alpha}}{\alpha} \cdot \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| &\leq |c| |z|^{2\alpha} + \left| \frac{1-|z|^{2\alpha}}{\alpha} \right| \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \\ &\leq |c| |z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha} + \frac{1-|z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha}}{\operatorname{Re} \alpha} \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right|, \quad z \in \mathcal{U}, \end{aligned}$$

hence, by using the hypothesis (4), we obtain

$$\left| c|z|^{2\alpha} + (1-|z|^{2\alpha}) \frac{zf''(z)}{\alpha f'(z)} \right| \leq 1, \quad (7)$$

for all $z \in \mathcal{U}$.

From (7) and Lemma 1 it results that the function $F_\alpha(z)$ defined in (5) is regular and univalent in \mathcal{U} . \square

Using Theorem 1 we obtain new results for the univalence of integral operator F_α defined by (5).

Theorem 2. *Let α and c be complex numbers, $\operatorname{Re} \alpha > 0$, $|c| \leq 1$, $c \neq -1$ and $f \in \mathcal{A}$, $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$*

If

$$|c| |z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha} + \frac{1-|z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha}}{\operatorname{Re} \alpha} \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \leq 1, \quad (8)$$

for all $z \in \mathcal{U}$, then for any complex number β , $\operatorname{Re} \beta \geq \operatorname{Re} \alpha$, the function

$$F_\beta(z) = \left[\beta \int_0^z u^{\beta-1} f'(u) du \right]^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \quad (9)$$

is in the class \mathcal{S} .

Proof. We consider the function $\psi(x) = \frac{1-a^{2x}}{x}$, $x \in (0, \infty)$, $0 < a < 1$. The function $\psi(x)$ is the function decreasing for $x \in (0, 1)$. If $x_1 = \operatorname{Re} \alpha \leq x_2 = \operatorname{Re} \beta$ and $a = |z|$, $z \in \mathcal{U}$, then

$$\frac{1-|z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \beta}}{\operatorname{Re} \beta} \leq \frac{1-|z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha}}{\operatorname{Re} \alpha}, \quad (10)$$

for all $z \in \mathcal{U}$. From (10) we obtain

$$\frac{1-|z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \beta}}{\operatorname{Re} \beta} \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \leq \frac{1-|z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha}}{\operatorname{Re} \alpha} \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right|, \quad (11)$$

for all $z \in \mathcal{U}$.

Let's consider the function $\varphi(x) = ax$, $x \in (0, \infty)$, $0 < a < 1$. For $x_1 = \operatorname{Re} \alpha \leq x_2 = \operatorname{Re} \beta$ and $a = |z|$, $z \in \mathcal{U}$, then

$$|z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \beta} \leq |z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha}, \quad (z \in \mathcal{U}). \quad (12)$$

From (11) and (12) we get

$$|c| |z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \beta} + \frac{1 - |z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \beta}}{\operatorname{Re} \beta} \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \leq |c| |z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha} + \frac{1 - |z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha}}{\operatorname{Re} \alpha} \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \quad (13)$$

for all $z \in \mathcal{U}$, and hence, by (8) we obtain

$$|c| |z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \beta} + \frac{1 - |z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \beta}}{\operatorname{Re} \beta} \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \leq 1 \quad (14)$$

for all $z \in \mathcal{U}$.

From (14) and by Theorem 1 we obtain that the function $F_\beta(z)$ belongs to the class \mathcal{S} . \square

Theorem 3. Let α and c be complex numbers, $\operatorname{Re} \alpha > 0$, $|c| < 1$ and $f \in \mathcal{A}$, $f(z) = z + a_2z^2 + \dots$

If

$$\left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \leq \frac{(2\operatorname{Re} \alpha + 1) \frac{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha + 1}{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha}}{2} (1 - |c|), \quad (15)$$

for all $z \in \mathcal{U}$, then the function

$$F_\alpha(z) = \left[\alpha \int_0^z u^{\alpha-1} f'(u) du \right]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \quad (16)$$

is regular and univalent in \mathcal{U} .

Proof. Let's consider the function $p(z) = \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}$, $z \in \mathcal{U}$. We have $p(0) = 0$ and from (15) by Lemma 2, we get

$$\left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \leq \frac{(2\operatorname{Re} \alpha + 1) \frac{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha + 1}{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha}}{2} (1 - |c|) |z|, \quad (z \in \mathcal{U}). \quad (17)$$

From (17) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & |c| |z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha} + \frac{1 - |z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha}}{\operatorname{Re} \alpha} \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \leq \\ & \leq |c| |z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha} + \frac{1 - |z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha}}{\operatorname{Re} \alpha} |z| \frac{(2\operatorname{Re} \alpha + 1) \frac{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha + 1}{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha}}{2} (1 - |c|), \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

for all $z \in \mathcal{U}$.

Since

$$\max_{|z| \leq 1} \left[\frac{1 - |z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha}}{\operatorname{Re} \alpha} |z| \right] = \frac{2}{(2\operatorname{Re} \alpha + 1)^{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha + 1}{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha}}},$$

from (18) we get

$$|c| |z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha} + \frac{1 - |z|^{2\operatorname{Re} \alpha}}{\operatorname{Re} \alpha} \left| \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right| \leq 1, \quad (z \in \mathcal{U}), \quad (19)$$

and hence, by Theorem 1, it results that the integral operator F_α is in the class \mathcal{S} . \square

Using these results we obtain the remarks.

Remark 1. If $\alpha = 1$, from Theorem 1, we obtain Ahlfors's and Becker's criterion of univalence [1], [3].

Remark 2. For $c = 0$ and $\alpha = 1$, from Theorem 1, we obtain Becker's criterion of univalence [2].

Remark 3. For $c = 0$, from Theorem 1, we obtain the criterion of univalence proved in [5].

Remark 4. For $c = 0$, from Theorem 2, we obtain the criterion of univalence proved in [6].

Remark 5. Theorem 1 is an improvement of univalence criterion proved in Lemma 1 [7].

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