ON A PROBLEM OF GRONWALL FOR BAZILEVIČ FUNCTIONS

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ABSTRACT. Let $B(\alpha, \beta)$, α positive, β real, denote the class of normalized univalent Bazilevič functions in $K = \{z: |z| < 1\}$ of type α , β . Let $B = \bigcup_{\alpha,\beta} B(\alpha,\beta)$. Let a, $0 \le a \le 2$, and a, $0 < \alpha < \infty$, be fixed and suppose that $f(z) = z + az^2 + \cdots$ is in $B(\alpha,0)$. In this paper for given $z_0 \in K$, the author finds a sharp upper bound for $|f(z_0)|$. Also, a sharp asymptotic bound is obtained for $(1-r)^2 \max_{|z|=r} |f(z)|$. Finally, a sharp asymptotic bound is found for $(1-r)^2 \max_{|z|=r} |f(z)|$ when f is in B with second coefficient a.

1. Introduction. Let S denote the class of univalent functions f in $K = \{z: |z| < 1\}$ with the normalization f(0) = 0, f'(0) = 1. Let $M(r, f) = \max_{|z| = r} |f(z)|$, 0 < r < 1. Then in [3] Gronwall proposed the following problem.

Problem 1. Given a, $0 \le a \le 2$, and r_0 , $0 < r_0 < 1$, if $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ is in S with $|a_2| = a$, find the maximum of $M(r_0, f)$.

In [6] Jenkins solved Problem 1 using quadratic differentials. The maximum is attained by a unique function $G = G(\cdot, a, r_0)$ in S with second coefficient a and $M(r_0, G) = G(r_0, a, r_0)$. G maps K onto a region whose complement is a forked slit, symmetric about the real axis. Depending on a and r_0 , the handle of the fork is either (a) on the negative real axis, (b) at ∞ , or (c) along the positive real axis. As $r_0 \to 1$ Jenkins showed

$$(1.1) (1-r_0)^2 M(r_0, G) \to 4b^{-2} \exp(2-4b^{-1}), b=2-(2-a)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Let f be as in Problem 1. Then Hayman (see [4, Theorem 1.5]) has shown that $r^{-1}(1-r)^2M(r, f)$ is a decreasing function of r, 0 < r < 1. It follows from this fact and (1.1) that

(1.2)
$$\lim_{r \to 1} (1-r)^2 M(r, f) \le 4b^{-2} \exp(2-4b^{-1}), \quad b = 2-(2-a)^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

with equality holding for some f in S with $|a_2| = a$.

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In this paper we consider Problem 1 in certain classes of univalent functions. More specifically, for given α , $0 < \alpha < \infty$, and β , $-\infty < \beta < \infty$, let $B(\alpha, \beta)$ denote the normalized Bazilevič functions of type α , β (see [1]). That is, $f \in B(\alpha, \beta)$ if f(0) = 0, f'(0) = 1, and

$$(1.3) f(z) = z \left[(\alpha + i\beta)z^{-(\alpha+i\beta)} \int_0^z \left(\frac{\phi(\zeta)}{\zeta} \right)^{\alpha} P(\zeta) \zeta^{(\alpha+i\beta-1)} d\zeta \right]^{1/(\alpha+i\beta)}$$

where $z \in K - \{0\}$, ϕ is starlike univalent with $\phi(0) = 0$, $|\phi'(0)| = 1$, and P has positive real part with |P(0)| = 1. The symbol $(\phi(\zeta)/\zeta)^{\alpha}$ denotes an analytic α power of $\phi(\zeta)/\zeta$ in K. All other powers inside the brackets are principal values, and the integral is taken along the line segment from 0 to z. The power outside the brackets is the analytic $(\alpha + i\beta)^{-1}$ power of the function inside the brackets which approaches 1 as $z \to 0$. We note that B(1, 0) is the class of normalized close to convex functions. We put $B = \bigcup_{\alpha,\beta} B(\alpha,\beta)$ and call $f \in B$ a Bazilevič function.

Functions $f \in B$ have been shown to be univalent by Bazilevič (see also [7], [9]). They are the largest class of univalent functions given by an explicit representation formula. We remark that the extremal functions $G(\cdot, a, r_0)$ with image domains as in (a) or (c) are not Bazilevič. This can be seen by using a geometric characterization of $B(\alpha, \beta)$ due to Sheil-Small (see [9, Theorem 2]). Therefore it is worthwhile to consider Problem 1 in B. To do this we first suppose that α is fixed, $0 < \alpha < \infty$, and $\beta = 0$.

For given a, $0 \le a \le 2$, we introduce the functions $F(\cdot, \sigma)$, $1 \le \sigma \le 2\alpha + 1$, defined by

(1.4)
$$F(z,\sigma) = \left\{ \alpha \int_0^z \frac{\zeta^{\alpha-1}(1+2c\zeta+\zeta^2)}{(1-\zeta)^{2\alpha+2-\sigma}(1+\zeta)^{\sigma}} d\zeta \right\}^{1/\alpha}$$

where $z \in K$ and

(1.5)
$$2c = (\alpha + 1)a - 2\alpha - 2 + 2\sigma.$$

Let

(1.6)
$$r_1 = \max\{\alpha - \frac{1}{2}(\alpha+1)a, 1\}, \quad r_2 = \max\{\alpha+1-\frac{1}{2}(\alpha+1)a, 1\}.$$

For $\tau_1 \le \sigma \le \tau_2$ we observe that $F(\cdot, \sigma)$ is in $B(\alpha, 0)$ and $F(z, \sigma) = z + az^2 + \cdots$. Then we shall prove

Theorem 1. Let a and r_0 be fixed numbers where $0 \le a \le 2$ and $0 < r_0 < 1$. Let $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ be in $B(\alpha, 0)$ with $|a_2| = a$. Then

$$M(r_0, f) \leq \max_{r_1 \leq \sigma \leq r_2} F(r_0, \sigma).$$

If $a \ge 2\alpha/(\alpha + 1)$, then $r_2 = 1$ and $M(r_0, f) \le F(r_0, 1)$. Equality holds if and only if for some real θ , $f(z) = e^{-i\theta}F(e^{i\theta}z, 1)$, $z \in K$. As $r \to 1$,

(1.8)
$$\lim_{r \to 1} (1-r)^2 M(r, f) \le \xi(\alpha) = \left[\max \{0, \frac{1}{4}(2(1-\alpha) + (\alpha+1)a) \} \right]^{1/\alpha}.$$

If $\xi(\alpha) > 0$, then equality holds if and only if for some real θ we have $f(z) = e^{-i\theta}F(e^{i\theta}z, 1)$, $z \in K$.

From Theorem 1 we see that if $a \ge 2\alpha/(\alpha+1)$, then the maximum in (1.7) is attained by $F(\cdot,1)$ independent of r_0 . However if $0 \le a < 2\alpha/(\alpha+1)$, then it follows from our proof (see (2.4)) that for r_0 near zero the maximum in (1.7) is attained only for σ near r_2 , while for r_0 near 1 the maximum is attained only for σ near r_1 ($r_1 < r_2$). In general for a fixed r_0 and a, the question of whether the maximum in (1.7) occurs for exactly one value of σ is still open.

Most of the proof of Theorem 1 (§2) is based upon simple properties of subordination and the observation that it suffices to consider functions with real coefficients. Similar properties of subordination have been used by Gronwall [3] and Finkelstein [2] to solve Problem 1 for starlike univalent functions. However, we must use a more difficult argument to prove uniqueness in (1.8) for $\xi(\alpha) > 0$ (see §3).

In §4 we first show if $f \in B(\alpha, \beta)$ and $\beta \neq 0$, then $M(r, f) = o[(1 - r)^{-2}]$ as $r \to 1$. We then obtain easily from Theorem 1:

Theorem 2. Let a be fixed, $0 \le a \le 2$. Let $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ be in B with $|a_2| = a$. Then

(1.9)
$$\lim_{r\to 1} (1-r)^2 M(r, f) \le \max_{0<\alpha<\infty} \xi(\alpha) = \xi(\alpha_0),$$

where a_0 is the root of the equation

$$(1.10) \quad \alpha(a-2) - [2(1-\alpha) + a(1+\alpha)] \log[\frac{1}{4}(2(1-\alpha) + a(1+\alpha))] = 0.$$

Equality holds only if for some real θ , $f(z) = e^{-i\theta}F(e^{i\theta}z, 1)$, $z \in K$, where $F(\cdot, 1)$ is defined as in (1.4) with $\alpha = \alpha_0$.

We remark that (1.10) implies α_0 , for $0 \le a < 2$, is an increasing function of a and $\alpha_0 \to +\infty$ as $a \to 2$. Also, we remark that the extremal function $F(\cdot, 1)$ in Theorem 2 for $0 \le a < 2$ is in $B(\alpha, \beta)$ only when $\alpha = \alpha_0$ and $\beta = 0$, since otherwise it could not be extremal. Finally we remark for f as in Theorem 2 that $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n/n \le \xi(\alpha_0)$. This inequality follows directly from Theorem 2 and a theorem of Hayman (see [4, Theorem 5.7]).

In §5 we compare the bound given by (1.9) with the bound given by (1.2) for different values of a. We also discuss mapping properties of the function $F(\cdot, 1)$ for $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$, 1, 2, and $0 \le a < 2$ in this section.

2. Proof of Theorem 1. The proof of Theorem 1 is based upon the following lemmas (see Finkelstein [2] for similar lemmas).

Lemma 1. Let ω be analytic in K with $|\omega(z)| \le 1$, $z \in K$, $\omega(0) = 0$ and $\omega'(0) = b, -1 \le b \le 1$. If $\omega(r)$ is real, 0 < r < 1, then $\omega(r) \le r(r+b)/(1+rb)$, 0 < r < 1, with equality holding only for $\omega(z) = z(z+b)/(1+bz)$, $z \in K$.

Proof. Apply Schwarz's lemma to the function $[\omega(z) - bz]/[z - b\omega(z)]$, $z \in K$.

Lemma 2. Let Q be an analytic function in K with positive real part and Q(0) = 1, Q'(0) = 2b, $-1 \le b \le 1$. If Q(r) is real for 0 < r < 1, then

$$O(r) < (1 + 2br + r^2)/(1 - r^2), \quad 0 < r < 1.$$

Equality holds only for $Q(z) = (1 + 2bz + z^2)/(1 - z^2)$, $z \in K$.

Proof. From the hypotheses on Q we have $Q = (1 + \omega)/(1 - \omega)$, where ω is as in Lemma 1. Applying Lemma 1 and using the fact that the function $x \to (1+x)/(1-x)$ is increasing for $-1 \le x < 1$, we get Lemma 2.

Lemma 3. Let ψ be starlike univalent in K with $\psi(0) = 0$, $\psi'(0) = 1$, and $\psi''(0) = 4b$, -1 < b < 1. If $\psi(r)$ is real, 0 < r < 1, then

$$\psi(r) \le r(1-r)^{-1-b}(1+r)^{b-1}, \quad 0 < r < 1.$$

Equality holds only for $\psi(z) = z(1-z)^{-1-b}(1+z)^{b-1}$.

Proof. From the hypotheses on ψ we have $z\psi'(z)/\psi(z) = Q(z)$, where Q is as in Lemma 2. Applying Lemma 2 and integrating we get Lemma 3.

We now prove (1.7) of Theorem 1. Let a and r_0 be fixed numbers where $0 \le \alpha \le 2$ and $0 < r_0 < 1$. Let $f \in B(\alpha, 0)$ and $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ with $|a_2| = a$. By making a rotation, if necessary, we may assume that $|f(r_0)| = M(r_0, f)$. Next suppose that f has the form (1.3) with $\beta = 0$, where ϕ and P are as defined there. We put

$$\psi(z) = z \left[\frac{\phi(z)}{z} \cdot \frac{\overline{\phi(\overline{z})}}{z} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad Q(z) = [P(z) \cdot \overline{P(\overline{z})}]^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

$$g(z) = z \left[\alpha z^{-\alpha} \int_0^z \left(\frac{\psi(\zeta)}{\zeta} \right)^{\alpha} Q(\zeta) \zeta^{\alpha-1} d\zeta \right]^{1/\alpha},$$

when $z \in K$. Here the analytic $\frac{1}{2}$ powers are 1 at z = 0. It is easily checked that ψ is starlike univalent with $\psi(0) = 0$, $\psi'(0) = 1$, and that Q has positive real part with Q(0) = 1. From this fact we see that $g \in B(\alpha, 0)$ provided the powers in the expression for g are given the same interpretation as in (1.3). Since $\psi(r) = |\phi(r)|$ and Q(r) = |P(r)|, $0 \le r < 1$, we have the inequality

(2.1)
$$M(r_0, f) \leq g(r_0).$$

Also, $g(z) = z + \text{Re } a_2 z^2 + \cdots$ and Q, ψ , have real coefficients.

From the above remarks we see that Q and ψ satisfy the hypotheses of Lemmas 2 and 3. Applying these lemmas we obtain for some σ that

(2.2)
$$g(r_0)^{\alpha} \le \alpha \int_0^{r_0} \frac{(1+s^2+2c_0s)s^{\alpha-1}ds}{(1-s)^{2\alpha+2-\sigma}(1+s)^{\sigma}}$$

where $2c_0 = (\alpha + 1)$ Re $a_2 + 2\sigma - 2\alpha - 2$, $1 \le \sigma \le 2\alpha + 1$, and $-1 \le c_0 \le 1$. Let $F(\cdot, \sigma)$ and c be as in (1.4) and (1.5). Then since $c_0 \le c$, it follows from (2.1) and (2.2) that

(2.3)
$$M(r_0, f) \leq g(r_0) \leq F(r_0, \sigma).$$

Let τ_1 and τ_2 be as in (1.6). Then if $\sigma > \tau_2$, we consider $F(\tau_0, \cdot)$ as a function of σ for $\tau_2 < \sigma \le 2\alpha + 1$. We obtain since c > 0 that

$$(2.4) \frac{\partial F^{\alpha}}{\partial \sigma}(r_{0}, \sigma)$$

$$= \alpha \int_{0}^{r_{0}} \frac{(1+s^{2}+2cs)s^{\alpha-1}}{(1-s)^{2\alpha+2-\sigma}(1+s)^{\sigma}} \left[\frac{2s}{(1+s^{2}+2cs)} + \log\left(\frac{1-s}{1+s}\right) \right] ds < 0,$$

for $r_2 < \sigma \le 2\alpha + 1$. Hence $F(r_0, \sigma) < F(r_0, r_2)$, $r_2 < \sigma \le 2\alpha + 1$.

If $1 \le \sigma < \tau_1$, then $c_0 \le c < -1$, which is a contradiction to the fact that $-1 \le c_0 \le 1$. We conclude that (1.7) is true.

If $a \ge 2\alpha/(\alpha + 1)$, then $\tau_2 = 1$, and from (1.7) we have $M(r_0, f) \le F(r_0, 1)$. From Lemmas 1-3 and (2.4), we deduce that equality can hold only for rotations of $F(\cdot, 1)$.

Next we prove (1.8). First suppose that $\alpha - (\alpha + 1)a/2 < 1$. Then from (1.5) we see that $c > (\alpha + 1)a/2 - \alpha > -1$ for $r_1 = 1 \le \sigma \le r_2$. It follows from this inequality that the integrand in (2.4) is negative on $[s_0, 1)$ provided s_0 is near enough 1. Also the choice of s_0 does not depend on σ , $1 \le \sigma \le r_2$. Hence there

exists a positive constant, A, which does not depend on σ , such that $\max_{1 \le \sigma \le r_2} F(r, \sigma) \le A + F(r, 1)$, 0 < r < 1. Using this inequality, (1.7), and l'Hospital's rule we get

$$\lim_{r \to 1} (1 - r)^2 M(r, f) \le \lim_{r \to 1} (1 - r)^2 F(r, 1) = \left[\lim_{r \to 1} (1 - r)^{2\alpha} F^{\alpha}(r, 1) \right]^{1/\alpha}$$

$$= \left[\lim_{r \to 1} (2\alpha)^{-1} (1 - r)^{2\alpha + 1} \frac{d}{dr} F^{\alpha}(r, 1) \right]^{1/\alpha} = \xi(\alpha).$$

If $\alpha - (\alpha + 1)a/2 \ge 1$, we note for fixed σ and r_0 that the value of $F(r_0, \sigma)$ increases with a, as follows from (1.5). Next, given a_1 , $2 \ge a_1 > 2(\alpha - 1)/(\alpha + 1)$ we replace a by a_1 in (1.4). We obtain for fixed σ , $1 \le \sigma \le 2\alpha + 1$, a new function $G = G(\cdot, \sigma)$ in K. Furthermore, from the above remark and (2.3) it is clear that $M(r_0, f) \le F(r_0, \sigma) \le G(r_0, \sigma)$ where $1 \le \sigma \le 2\alpha + 1$. Using this inequality and arguing as in the proof of (2.5) we find that

$$\lim_{r\to 1} (1-r)^2 M(r,f) \leq \left[\max \left\{ 0, \frac{1}{4} (2(1-\alpha) + (\alpha+1)a_1) \right\} \right]^{1/\alpha}.$$

Letting $a_1 \rightarrow 2(\alpha - 1)/(\alpha + 1)$, we get $\lim_{r \rightarrow 1} (1 - r)^2 M(r, f) = 0$. Hence (1.8) is true.

3. A uniqueness proof. It remains to show for $\xi(\alpha) > 0$ that equality holds in (1.8) only for $f(z) = e^{-i\theta}F(e^{i\theta}z, 1)$, $z \in K$, θ real. This can be shown by the following argument. Suppose that $\lim_{r\to 1} (1-r)^2 M(r, f) = \xi(\alpha)$. Then by Hayman (see [4, Theorem 5.6]) there exists ψ , $0 \le \psi < 2\pi$, such that

(3.1)
$$\lim_{n\to 1} (1-r)^2 |f(re^{i\psi})| = \xi(\alpha).$$

By making a rotation if necessary, we may assume that $\psi = 0$. We recall that f has the form (1.3) with $\beta = 0$, where ϕ and P are as defined there. We claim that

(3.2)
$$\phi(z) = e^{i\tau}z/(1-z)^2, \quad z \in K,$$

for some real τ . Indeed, by a theorem of Pommerenke [8] either $\phi(z) = e^{i\tau}z/(1-e^{i\tau}z)^2$ for some real τ and γ or $M(r,\phi)=o[(1-r)^{-2}]$. The second possibility cannot occur, since it would imply $\xi(\alpha)=0$. From (3.1) the first possibility can occur only if $\gamma=0$. Hence our claim is true.

Next we note that $f(z) = z + az^2 + \cdots$. Otherwise defining g as previously and arguing as in §2, we could obtain a contradiction to (3.1). It follows from this fact and (3.2) that

(3.3)
$$P(z) = e^{-i\alpha t}(1 + 2cz + \cdots)$$

where c is as in (1.5) with $\sigma = 1$. To complete the proof of uniqueness we show that $e^{i\overline{\alpha}\tau} = 1$ and

(3.4)
$$P(z) = (1 + 2cz + z^2)/(1 - z^2), \quad z \in K$$

First from the Herglotz representation formula we see that P may be written in the form

(3.5)
$$P(z) = \cos \alpha \tau \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left(\frac{1 + e^{-i\theta}z}{1 - e^{-i\theta}z} \right) dy(\theta) - i \sin \alpha \tau, \quad z \in K,$$

where γ is a nondecreasing function on $[-\pi, \pi]$ which is continuous on the right and $\gamma(\pi) - \gamma(-\pi) = 1$. Second from Theorem 2 of Hayman [5] and its subsequent proof we see that

(3.6)
$$\lim_{r\to 1} \frac{1-r}{1+r} P(r) = \cos \alpha r [\gamma(0^+) - \gamma(0^-)] = \lambda.$$

Using (3.1) and (3.2) it follows that

$$(1-r)^{2\alpha}|f(r)|^{\alpha} = \lambda\alpha(1-r)^{2\alpha}\int_{0}^{r}\frac{\rho^{\alpha-1}(1+\rho)}{(1-\rho)^{2\alpha+1}}d\rho + o(1)$$
$$= \lambda r^{\alpha} + o(1) \longrightarrow \xi^{\alpha}(\alpha) = \frac{1}{2}(1+c),$$

as $r \rightarrow 1$. Hence,

$$\lambda = (1+c)/2.$$

Let $\gamma_1(\theta) = 0$ for $-\pi \le \theta < 0$ and $\gamma_1(\theta) = \gamma(0^+) - \gamma(0^-)$ for $0 \le \theta \le \pi$. Then since γ is continuous on the right, the function $\gamma_2 = \gamma - \gamma_1$ is increasing on $[-\pi, \pi]$. Using this fact and (3.5)-(3.7) it follows that

$$H(z) = P(z) - \frac{(1+c)}{2} \left(\frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) + i \sin \alpha r = \cos \alpha r \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left(\frac{1+e^{-i\theta}z}{1-e^{-i\theta}z} \right) d\gamma_2(\theta)$$

has positive real part and $\cos \alpha r [y_2(\pi) - y_2(-\pi)] = \cos \alpha r - (1+c)/2$. Using (3.3) and comparing coefficients in the above formula for H, we get

$$H(z) = \cos \alpha \tau - \frac{1}{2}(1+c) + [2ce^{-i\alpha \tau} - (1+c)]z + \cdots$$

$$= \cos \alpha \tau - \frac{1}{2}(1+c) + 2\cos \alpha \tau \left(\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-i\theta} d\gamma_2(\theta)\right)z + \cdots$$

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$$[2c \cos \alpha r - (1+c)] = 2 \cos \alpha r \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos \theta d\gamma_2(\theta)$$

$$\geq -2 \cos \alpha r [\gamma_2(\pi) - \gamma_2(-\pi)] = -2 \cos \alpha r + (1+c),$$

where equality holds only if γ_2 is constant on $[-\pi, \pi)$. Since $-1 < c \le 1$, the above inequality implies that $\cos \alpha r \ge 1$. Hence γ_2 is constant on $[-\pi, \pi)$ and $\cos \alpha r = 1$. We conclude that

$$H(z) = \frac{1}{2}(1-c)(1-z)/(1+z), \quad z \in K$$

and thereupon that (3.4) is true. The proof of uniqueness is now complete.

4. Proof of Theorem 2. We begin the proof of Theorem 2 by showing that if $f \in B(\alpha, \beta)$ and

(4.1)
$$\lim_{r\to 1} (1-r)^2 M(r, f) > 0,$$

then $\beta = 0$. (4.1) implies, as in §3, that

(4.2)
$$\lim_{r \to 1} (1-r)^2 |f(re^{i\psi})| > 0$$

for some real ψ . Again we may assume $\psi = 0$. We observe $(1+r)^{-1}(1-r)^3|f'(r)|$ is a decreasing function of r for 0 < r < 1, as follows easily from the well-known inequality,

$$(\partial/\partial\rho) \log |f'(\rho)| \leq (2\rho+4)/(1-\rho^2), \quad 0 < \rho < 1.$$

(For a proof see Hayman [4, p. 5].) Also, $|f(r)| \le \int_0^r |f'(\rho)| d\rho$. Using these observations we deduce that

(4.3)
$$\lim_{r\to 1} (1-r)^3 |f'(r)| > 0,$$

since otherwise we could contradict (4.2).

Before proceeding further we adopt the following notation. If b is analytic in K, $b(z) \neq 0$, $z \in K$, and b(0) = 1, we let $\log b$ denote the analytic logarithm of b in K for which $\log b(0) = 0$. Furthermore we let $\arg b(z) = \operatorname{Im} \log b(z)$. In terms of this notation we have

$$(4.4) |\log r^{-1}f(r)| \le -2(1+o(1))\log(1-r), \quad r \to 1,$$

(4.5)
$$|\log f'(r)| \le -3(1+o(1))\log(1-r), \quad r \to 1.$$

(4.4) is a simple consequence of the well-known inequality

$$\left|\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)}\right| \leq \frac{1+\rho}{\rho(1-\rho)}, \quad |z|=\rho, \ 0<\rho<1,$$

and (4.5) is a consequence of the inequality

(4.5a)
$$\left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - \frac{2\rho^2}{(1-\rho^2)} \right| \leq \frac{4\rho}{(1-\rho^2)}, \quad |z| = \rho, \ 0 < \rho < 1$$

(see Hayman [4, p. 5] for inequalities (4.4a), (4.5a)).

For completeness we give the proof of (4.5). From (4.5a) we see that

$$\left|\frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)}\right| \leq \frac{4+2\rho}{(1-\rho^2)}, \quad |z|=\rho, \ 0<\rho<1.$$

Using this inequality we obtain

$$|\log f'(r)| = \left| \int_0^r \frac{f''(\rho)}{f'(\rho)} d\rho \right| \le \int_0^r \left| \frac{f''(\rho)}{f'(\rho)} \right| d\rho \le \int_0^r \frac{4 + 2\rho}{(1 - \rho^2)} d\rho$$

$$= \log (1 + r) - 3 \log (1 - r).$$

From (4.2) and (4.4) it is easily seen that

(4.6)
$$\arg \frac{f(r)}{r} = -o(1) \log (1-r), \quad r \to 1,$$

and from (4.3) and (4.5) that

(4.7)
$$\arg f'(r) = -o(1) \log (1-r), \quad r \to 1.$$

Next we note that

(4.8)
$$(\alpha + i\beta - 1) \log z^{-1} f(z) + \log f'(z) = \log [(z^{-1}\phi(z))^{\alpha} P(z)].$$

(4.8) is a consequence of the representation formula (1.3) for f. Using (4.6), (4.7), (4.2), and taking imaginary parts in (4.8) for z = r, we get

$$(\beta + o(1)) \log |r^{-1}f(r)| = -2(\beta + o(1)) \log (1 - r) = \arg [(r^{-1}\phi(r))^{\alpha} \circ P(r)].$$

The right-hand side of this equality remains bounded as $r \to 1$, since ϕ is star-like univalent and P has positive real part. Hence we must have $\beta = 0$ and $f \in B(\alpha, 0)$.

We now prove Theorem 2. From the above argument we may assume $f \in B(\alpha, 0)$

and $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$, with $|a_2| = a$. Then from Theorem 1 it follows that

$$\lim_{r\to 1}(1-r)^2M(r,f)\leq \max_{0<\alpha<\infty}\xi(\alpha)=\xi(\alpha_0).$$

Using the differential calculus we deduce for $0 \le a \le 2$ that a_0 is the unique root of equation (1.10).

5. Some remarks on Theorem 2. The following table gives a comparison between the bound in (1.2) for $T(a) = 4b^{-2} \exp(2-4b^{-1})$, $b = 2 - (2-a)^{1/2}$, and the bound $\xi(\alpha_0)$ in (1.9) for different values of a. From the table it can be seen that the maximum difference is about .032.

a	α_{0}	ξ(a ₀)	T(a)
0	.63	.069	.093
.2	.74	.127	.157
.4	.87	.205	.237
.6	1.03	.300	.331
.8 .	1.22	.407	.434
1.0	1.47	.520	.541
1.2	1.81	.634	.649
1.4	2.30	.743	.752
1.6	3.12	.843	.848
1.8	4.98	.931	.933
1.9	7. 6	.968	.969
1.99	26.9	.997	.997

We now discuss the mapping properties of $F(\cdot, 1)$. If a = 2 and $0 < \alpha < \infty$, then $F(z, 1) = z/(1-z)^2$, $z \in K$. In general for a fixed α , $0 < \alpha < \infty$, and a, $0 \le a < 2$, the image domain corresponding to K under the mapping $F(\cdot, 1)$ does not have a simple geometric description. Therefore we consider only the cases $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$, 1, 2, and $0 \le a < 2$, where such a description is possible. If $0 \le a < 2$ and c is as in (1.5) with c = 1, we let

$$\gamma = \alpha \int_0^{e^{i\theta}} \frac{z^{\alpha-1}}{(1-z)^{2\alpha+1}} \frac{(1+2cz+z^2)}{(1+z)} dz, \quad z \in K,$$

where $\cos \theta = -c$ and $0 < \theta < \pi$.

First, if $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$, and $0 \le a < 2$, then the function $F^{1/2}(z, 1)$ is univalent in $D = K \cap \{z : \text{Im } z > 0\}$. Here the square root is intended as a principal value. Let

 $\Omega = F^{1/2}(D, 1)$. Then the boundary of Ω consists of the line segments:

$$\begin{split} l_1 &= \{w\colon \operatorname{Re}\, w \geq 0, \ \operatorname{Im}\, w = 0\}, \qquad l_2 &= \{w\colon \operatorname{Im}\, w \geq 0, \ \operatorname{Re}\, w = 0\}, \\ l_3 &= \{w\colon \operatorname{Re}\, w = \operatorname{Re}\, \gamma, \ \operatorname{Im}\, w \geq \operatorname{Im}\, \gamma\}, \end{split}$$

as we find from examining the tangent to the boundary. It follows that $F(\cdot, 1)$ maps D onto the region in the w = u + iv plane whose complement is the closure of the lower half plane and the parabolic arc

$$u = (\text{Re } \gamma)^2 - (v/2 \text{ Re } \gamma)^2, \quad v \ge 2 \text{ Im } \gamma \text{ Re } \gamma.$$

Using the reflection principle we deduce that $F(\cdot, 1)$ maps K onto the region whose complement is the parabolic arcs,

$$u = (\text{Re } \gamma)^2 - (\nu/2 \text{ Re } \gamma)^2, \quad \nu \ge 2 \text{ Im } \gamma \text{ Re } \gamma$$

 $u = (\text{Re } \gamma)^2 - (\nu/2 \text{ Re } \gamma)^2, \quad \nu \le -2 \text{ Im } \gamma \text{ Re } \gamma.$

As $a \to 2$ the parabolic arcs approach the line segment $(-\infty, -\frac{1}{4}]$.

Second if $\alpha = 1$, and $0 \le a \le 2$, then F maps K onto the region whose complement is the line segments:

Re
$$u \le \text{Re } y$$
, Im $u = \text{Im } y$, Re $u \le \text{Re } y$, Im $u = -\text{Im } y$.

Third, if $\alpha = 2$, then from an analysis similar to the case $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$, we find that $F(\cdot, 1)$ maps K onto a region whose complement is the hyperbolic arcs:

$$2uv = \operatorname{Im} \gamma, \qquad u^2 - v^2 \ge \operatorname{Re} \gamma, \qquad v \ge 0,$$

$$2uv = -\operatorname{Im} \gamma, \qquad u^2 - v^2 \ge \operatorname{Re} \gamma, \qquad v \le 0.$$

Again as $a \to 2$ the hyperbolic arcs approach the line segment $(-\infty, -\frac{1}{4}]$.

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