

## RADIUS OF STRONGLY STARLIKENESS FOR CERTAIN ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS

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For analytic functions  $f(z) = z^p + a_{p+1}z^{p+1} + \dots$  in the open unit disk  $\mathbb{U}$  and a polynomial  $Q(z)$  of degree  $n > 0$ , the function  $F(z) = f(z)[Q(z)]^{\beta/n}$  is introduced. The object of the present paper is to determine the radius of  $p$ -valently strongly starlikeness of order  $\gamma$  for  $F(z)$ .

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**1. Introduction.** Let  $\mathcal{A}_p$  ( $p$  is a fixed integer  $\geq 1$ ) denote the class of functions  $f(z)$  of the form

$$f(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=p+1}^{\infty} a_k z^k \quad (1.1)$$

which are analytic in the open unit disk  $\mathbb{U} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ . Let  $\Omega$  denote the class of bounded functions  $w(z)$  analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$  and satisfying the conditions  $w(0) = 0$  and  $|w(z)| \leq |z|$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{U}$ . We use  $\mathcal{P}$  to denote the class of functions  $p(z) = 1 + c_1 z + c_2 z^2 + \dots$  which are analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$  and satisfy  $\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0$  ( $z \in \mathbb{U}$ ).

For  $0 \leq \alpha < p$  and  $|\lambda| < \pi/2$ , we denote by  $\mathcal{S}_p^\lambda(\alpha)$ , the family of functions  $g(z) \in \mathcal{A}_p$  which satisfy

$$\frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} \prec \frac{p + \{2(p - \alpha)e^{-i\lambda} \cos \lambda - p\}z}{1 - z}, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}, \quad (1.2)$$

where  $\prec$  means the subordination. From the definition of subordinations, it follows that  $g(z) \in \mathcal{A}_p$  has the representation

$$\frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} = \frac{p + \{2(p - \alpha)e^{-i\lambda} \cos \lambda - p\}w(z)}{1 - w(z)}, \quad (1.3)$$

where  $w(z) \in \Omega$ . Clearly,  $\mathcal{S}_p^\lambda(\alpha)$  is a subclass of  $p$ -valent  $\lambda$ -spiral functions of order  $\alpha$ . For  $\lambda = 0$ , we have the class  $\mathcal{S}_p^*(\alpha)$ ,  $0 \leq \alpha < p$ , of  $p$ -valent starlike functions of order  $\alpha$ , investigated by Goluzina [5].

A function  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}_p$  is said to be  $p$ -valently strongly starlike of order  $\gamma$ ,  $0 < \gamma \leq 1$ , if it satisfies

$$\left| \arg \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} \right| \leq \frac{\pi}{2}\gamma. \quad (1.4)$$

Başgöze [1, 2] has obtained sharp inequalities of univalence (starlikeness) for certain polynomials of the form  $F(z) = f(z)[Q(z)]^{\beta/n}$ , where  $\beta$  is real and  $Q(z)$  is a polynomial of degree  $n > 0$  all of whose zeros are outside or on the unit circle  $\{z : |z| = 1\}$ . Rajasekaran [7] extended Başgöze's results for certain classes of analytic functions of the form  $F(z) = f(z)[Q(z)]^{\beta/n}$ . Recently, Patel [6] generalized some of the work of Rajasekaran and Başgöze for functions belonging to the class  $\mathcal{G}_p^\lambda(\alpha)$ . That is, determine the radius of starlikeness for some classes of  $p$ -valent analytic functions of the polynomial form  $F(z)$ .

In the present paper, we extend the results of Patel [6]. Thus, we determine the radius of  $p$ -valently strongly starlike of order  $\gamma$  for polynomials of the form  $F(z)$  in such problems.

**2. Some lemmas.** Before proving our next results, we need the following lemmas.

**LEMMA 2.1** (see Gangadharan [4]). *For  $|z| \leq r < 1$ ,  $|z_k| = R > r$ ,*

$$\left| \frac{z}{z-z_k} + \frac{r^2}{R^2-r^2} \right| \leq \frac{Rr}{R^2-r^2}. \quad (2.1)$$

**LEMMA 2.2** (see Ratti [8]). *If  $\phi(z)$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$  and  $|\phi(z)| \leq 1$  for  $z \in \mathbb{U}$ , then for  $|z| = r < 1$ ,*

$$\left| \frac{z\phi'(z) + \phi(z)}{1+z\phi(z)} \right| \leq \frac{1}{1-r}. \quad (2.2)$$

**LEMMA 2.3** (see Causey and Merkes [3]). *If  $p(z) = 1 + c_1z + c_2z + \dots \in \mathcal{P}$ , then for  $|z| = r < 1$ ,*

$$\left| \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \right| \leq \frac{2r}{1-r^2}. \quad (2.3)$$

*This estimate is sharp.*

**LEMMA 2.4** (see Patel [6]). *Suppose  $g(z) \in \mathcal{G}_p^\lambda(\alpha)$ . Then for  $|z| = r < 1$ ,*

$$\left| \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} - \left( p + \frac{2(p-\alpha)e^{i\lambda}r^2 \cos \lambda}{1-r^2} \right) \right| \leq \frac{2(p-\alpha)r \cos \lambda}{1-r^2}. \quad (2.4)$$

*This result is sharp.*

**LEMMA 2.5** (see Gangadharan [4]). *If  $R_a \leq \operatorname{Re}(a) \sin((\pi/2)\gamma) - \operatorname{Im}(a) \cos((\pi/2)\gamma)$ ,  $\operatorname{Im}(a) \geq 0$ , then the disk  $|w - a| \leq R_a$  is contained in the sector  $|\arg w| \leq (\pi/2)\gamma$ ,  $0 < \gamma \leq 1$ .*

**3. Main results.** Our first theorem is the following one.

**THEOREM 3.1.** *Suppose that*

$$F(z) = f(z)[Q(z)]^{\beta/n}, \quad (3.1)$$

*where  $\beta$  is real and  $Q(z)$  is a polynomial of degree  $n > 0$  with no zeros in  $|z| < R$ ,*

$R \geq 1$ . If  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}_p$  satisfies

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[ \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^{1/\delta} \right] > 0, \quad 0 < \delta \leq 1, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}, \quad (3.2)$$

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[ \frac{g(z)}{h(z)} \right] > 0, \quad z \in \mathbb{U}, \quad (3.3)$$

for some  $g(z) \in \mathcal{A}_p$  and  $h(z) \in \mathcal{G}_p^\lambda(\alpha)$ , then  $F(z)$  is  $p$ -valently strongly starlike of order  $\gamma$  in  $|z| < R(\gamma)$ , where  $R(\gamma)$  is the smallest positive root of the equation

$$\begin{aligned} & r^4 \left[ (p + \beta) \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) + 2(p - \alpha) \cos \lambda \sin \left( \lambda - \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) \right] \\ & + r^3 [| \beta | R + 2(p - \alpha) \cos \lambda + 2(\delta + 1)] \\ & - r^2 \left[ (p(1 + R^2) + \beta) \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) + 2(p - \alpha) R^2 \cos \lambda \sin \left( \lambda - \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) \right] \\ & - r [| \beta | R + 2(p - \alpha) R^2 \cos \lambda + 2(\delta + 1) R^2] + p R^2 \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

**PROOF.** We choose a suitable branch of  $(f(z)/g(z))^{1/\delta}$  so that  $(f(z)/g(z))^{1/\delta}$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$  and takes the value 1 at  $z = 0$ . Thus from (3.2) and (3.3), we have

$$F(z) = p_1^\delta(z) p_2 h(z) [Q(z)]^{\beta/n}, \quad (3.5)$$

where  $p_j(z) \in \mathcal{P}$  ( $j = 1, 2$ ).

Then

$$\frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} = \delta \frac{zp_1'(z)}{p_1(z)} + \frac{zp_2'(z)}{p_2(z)} + \frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} + \frac{\beta}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{z}{z - z_k}. \quad (3.6)$$

Since  $h(z) \in \mathcal{G}_p^\lambda(\alpha)$ , by Lemma 2.4, we have

$$\left| \frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} - \left( p + \frac{2(p - \alpha)e^{i\lambda}r^2 \cos \lambda}{1 - r^2} \right) \right| \leq \frac{2(p - \alpha)r \cos \lambda}{1 - r^2}. \quad (3.7)$$

Using (3.6) and (3.7) with Lemmas 2.1 and 2.3, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} - \left( p + \frac{2(p - \alpha)e^{i\lambda}r^2 \cos \lambda}{1 - r^2} - \frac{\beta r^2}{R^2 - r^2} \right) \right| \\ & \leq \frac{2\{(p - \alpha)r \cos \lambda + r(\delta + 1)\}}{1 - r^2} + \frac{|\beta|Rr}{R^2 - r^2}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

Using Lemma 2.5, we get that the above disk is contained in the sector  $|\arg w| < (\pi/2)\gamma$  provided the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{2\{(p - \alpha)r \cos \lambda + r(\delta + 1)\}}{1 - r^2} + \frac{|\beta|Rr}{R^2 - r^2} \\ & \leq \left( p + \frac{2(p - \alpha)r^2 \cos^2 \lambda}{1 - r^2} - \frac{\beta r^2}{R^2 - r^2} \right) \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) \\ & - \frac{2(p - \alpha)r^2 \sin \lambda \cos \lambda}{1 - r^2} \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$

is satisfied. The above inequality is simplified to  $T(r) \geq 0$ , where

$$\begin{aligned}
 T(r) = & r^4 \left[ (p - 2(p - \alpha) \cos^2 \lambda + \beta) \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) + (p - \alpha) \sin 2\lambda \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) \right] \\
 & + r^3 [|\beta|R + 2(p - \alpha) \cos \lambda + 2(\delta + 1)] \\
 & + r^2 \left[ (-pR^2 - p + 2(p - \alpha)R^2 \cos^2 \lambda - \beta) \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) - (p - \alpha)R^2 \sin 2\lambda \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) \right] \\
 & - r[|\beta|R + 2(p - \alpha)R^2 \cos \lambda + 2(\delta + 1)R^2] + pR^2 \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right).
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.10}$$

Since  $T(0) > 0$  and  $T(1) < 1$ , there exists a real root of  $T(r) = 0$  in  $(0, 1)$ . Let  $R(\gamma)$  be the smallest positive root of  $T(r) = 0$  in  $(0, 1)$ . Then  $F(z)$  is  $p$ -valent strongly starlike of order  $\gamma$  in  $|z| < R(\gamma)$ .  $\square$

**REMARK 3.2.** For  $R = 1$  and  $\gamma = 1$ , [Theorem 3.1](#) reduces to a result by Patel [6].

**THEOREM 3.3.** Suppose that  $F(z)$  is given by [\(3.1\)](#). If  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}_p$  satisfies [\(3.2\)](#) for some  $g(z) \in \mathcal{S}_p^\lambda(\alpha)$ , then  $F(z)$  is  $p$ -valently strongly starlike of order  $\gamma$  in  $|z| < R(\gamma)$ , where  $R(\gamma)$  is the smallest positive root of the equation

$$\begin{aligned}
 & r^4 \left[ (p + \beta) \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) + 2(p - \alpha) \cos \lambda \sin \left( \lambda - \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) \right] \\
 & + r^3 [|\beta|R + 2(p - \alpha) \cos \lambda + 2\delta] \\
 & - r^2 \left[ (p(1 + R^2) + \beta) \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) + 2(p - \alpha)R^2 \cos \lambda \sin \left( \lambda - \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) \right] \\
 & - r[|\beta|R + 2(p - \alpha)R^2 \cos \lambda + 2\delta R^2] + pR^2 \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) = 0.
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.11}$$

**PROOF.** If  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}_p$  satisfies [\(3.2\)](#) for some  $g(z) \in \mathcal{S}_p^\lambda(\alpha)$ , then

$$\frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} = \delta \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} + \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} + \frac{\beta}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{z}{z - z_k}. \tag{3.12}$$

Using [Lemma 2.4](#), we get

$$\left| \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} - \left( p + \frac{2(p - \alpha)e^{i\lambda}r^2 \cos \lambda}{1 - r^2} \right) \right| \leq \frac{2(p - \alpha)r \cos \lambda}{1 - r^2}. \tag{3.13}$$

By [\(3.12\)](#) and [\(3.13\)](#) with [Lemmas 2.1](#) and [2.3](#), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} - \left( p + \frac{2(p - \alpha)e^{i\lambda}r^2 \cos \lambda}{1 - r^2} - \frac{\beta r^2}{R^2 - r^2} \right) \right| \\
 & \leq \frac{2\{(p - \alpha)r \cos \lambda + r\delta\}}{1 - r^2} + \frac{|\beta|Rr}{R^2 - r^2}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.14}$$

The remaining parts of the proof can be proved by a method similar to the one given in the proof of [Theorem 3.1](#).  $\square$

With  $\lambda = 0$ ,  $\beta = 0$ ,  $\delta = 1$ ,  $R = 1$ , and  $\gamma = 1$ , [Theorem 3.3](#) gives the following corollary.

**COROLLARY 3.4.** Suppose that  $f(z)$  is in  $\mathcal{A}_p$ . If  $\operatorname{Re}(f(z)/g(z)) > 0$  for  $z \in \mathbb{U}$  and  $g(z) \in \mathcal{G}_p^*(\alpha)$ , then  $f(z)$  is  $p$ -valently starlike for

$$|z| < \frac{p}{(p+1-\alpha) + \sqrt{\alpha^2 - 2\alpha + 2p + 1}}. \quad (3.15)$$

**THEOREM 3.5.** Suppose that  $F(z)$  is given by (3.1). If  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}_p$  satisfies

$$\left| \left( \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} \right)^{1/\delta} - 1 \right| < 1, \quad 0 < \delta \leq 1, \quad p \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) > \delta, \quad (3.16)$$

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{g(z)}{h(z)} \right) > 0, \quad z \in \mathbb{U} \quad (3.17)$$

for some  $g(z) \in \mathcal{A}_p$  and  $h(z) \in \mathcal{G}_p^\lambda(\alpha)$ , then  $F(z)$  is  $p$ -valently strongly starlike of order  $\gamma$  in  $|z| < R(\gamma)$ , where  $R(\gamma)$  is the smallest positive root of the equation

$$\begin{aligned} & r^4 \left[ (p+\beta) \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) + 2(p-\alpha) \cos \lambda \sin \left( \lambda - \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) \right] \\ & + r^3 [|\beta|R + 2(p-\alpha) \cos \lambda + 2 + \delta] \\ & - r^2 \left[ (p(1+R^2) + \beta) \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) + 2(p-\alpha)R^2 \cos \lambda \sin \left( \lambda - \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) + \delta \right] \\ & - r [|\beta|R + 2(p-\alpha)R^2 \cos \lambda + 2(\delta+1)R^2] + pR^2 \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) - \delta R^2 = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.18)$$

**PROOF.** We choose a suitable branch of  $(f(z)/g(z))^{1/\delta}$  so that  $(f(z)/g(z))^{1/\delta}$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$  and takes the value 1 at  $z = 0$ . From (3.16), we deduce that

$$f(z) = g(z)(1+w(z))^\delta, \quad w(z) \in \Omega. \quad (3.19)$$

So that

$$F(z) = p(z)h(z)(1+z\phi(z))^\delta [Q(z)]^{\beta/n}, \quad (3.20)$$

where  $\phi(z)$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$  and satisfies  $|\phi(z)| \leq 1$  and  $p \in \mathcal{P}$  for  $z \in \mathbb{U}$ .

We have

$$\frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} = \frac{zh'(z)}{h(z)} + \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} + \delta \left( \frac{z\phi'(z) + \phi(z)}{1+z\phi(z)} \right) + \frac{\beta}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{z}{z-z_k}. \quad (3.21)$$

Using Lemma 2.4 and (3.21), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} - \left( p + \frac{2(p-\alpha)e^{i\lambda}r^2 \cos \lambda}{1-r^2} \right) \right| \\ & \leq \frac{2\{(p-\alpha)r \cos \lambda + r\} + \delta(1+r)}{1-r^2} + \frac{|\beta|Rr}{R^2-r^2}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.22)$$

So, using Lemma 2.5 and (3.22), the result can be proved by using a method similar to the one given in the proof of Theorem 3.1.  $\square$

**THEOREM 3.6.** Suppose that  $F(z)$  is given by (3.1). If  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}_p$  satisfies (3.16) for some  $g(z) \in \mathcal{S}_p^\lambda(\alpha)$ , then  $F(z)$  is  $p$ -valently strongly starlike of order  $\gamma$  in  $|z| < R(\gamma)$ , where  $R(\gamma)$  is the smallest positive root of the equation

$$\begin{aligned} & r^4 \left[ (p + \beta) \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) + 2(p - \alpha) \cos \lambda \sin \left( \lambda - \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) \right] \\ & + r^3 [|\beta|R + 2(p - \alpha) \cos \lambda + \delta] \\ & - r^2 \left[ (p(1 + R^2) + \beta) \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) + 2(p - \alpha)R^2 \cos \lambda \sin \left( \lambda - \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) + \delta \right] \\ & - r[|\beta|R + 2(p - \alpha)R^2 \cos \lambda + \delta R^2] + pR^2 \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{2} \gamma \right) - \delta R^2 = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.23)$$

**PROOF.** We choose a suitable branch of  $(f(z)/g(z))^{1/\delta}$  so that  $(f(z)/g(z))^{1/\delta}$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$  and takes the value 1 at  $z = 0$ . Since  $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}_p$  satisfies (3.16) for some  $g(z) \in \mathcal{S}_p^\lambda(\alpha)$ , we have

$$F(z) = g(z)(1 + z\phi(z))[Q(z)]^{\beta/n}, \quad (3.24)$$

where  $\phi(z)$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{U}$  and satisfies the condition  $|\phi(z)| \leq 1$  for  $z \in \mathbb{U}$ . Thus, we have

$$\frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} = \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)} + \delta \left( \frac{z\phi'(z) + \phi(z)}{1 + z\phi(z)} \right) + \frac{\beta}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{z}{z - z_k}. \quad (3.25)$$

Using Lemma 2.4 and (3.25), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{zF'(z)}{F(z)} - \left( p + \frac{2(p - \alpha)e^{i\lambda}r^2 \cos \lambda}{1 - r^2} \right) \right| \\ & \leq \frac{2(p - \alpha)r \cos \lambda + \delta(1 + r)}{1 - r^2} + \frac{|\beta|Rr}{R^2 - r^2}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.26)$$

Using Lemma 2.5 and (3.26) and a method similar to the one given in the proof of Theorem 3.1, we complete the proof of the theorem.  $\square$

**REMARK 3.7.** Some of the results of Patel [6] can be obtained from Theorem 3.6 by taking  $R = 1$  and  $\gamma = 1$ .

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