

## ON UNIFORMLY CONVEX MAPPINGS OF A BANACH SPACE INTO THE COMPLEX PLANE

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**Abstract.** Let  $E$  be a complex Banach space and let  $E$  be the unit ball in  $E$ , i.e.  $B = \{x \in E : \|x\| < 1\}$ . We introduce a new class of holomorphic functions in  $B$  and we obtain a few results concerning this new class.

### 1. Introduction

Let  $E^*$  be the dual space of  $E$ . For any  $A \in E^*$  we consider  $\chi(A) = \{x \in E : A(x) \neq 0\}$  and  $\gamma(A) = E \setminus \chi(A)$ . If  $A \neq 0$  then  $\chi(A)$  is dense in  $E$  and  $\chi(A) \cap \hat{B}$  is dense  $\hat{B}$ , where  $\hat{B} = \{x \in E : \|x\| = 1\}$ .

Let  $H(B)$  be the family of all functions  $f : B \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ ,  $f(0) = 0$  that are holomorphic in  $B$ , i.e. have the Fréchet derivative  $f'(x)$  in each point  $x \in B$ . If  $f \in H(B)$ , then in some neighbourhood  $V$  of the origin,  $f(x) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} P_{m,f}(x)$ , where the series is uniformly convergent on  $V$  and

$P_{m,f} : E \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  are continuous and homogeneous polynomials of degree  $m$ .

Let  $U = \{z \in \mathbf{C} : |z| < 1\}$ . Denote by  $CV$  the family of functions

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \quad (1)$$

that are convex in the unit disk  $U$ .

Goodman [1] defined the following subclass of  $CV$ .

**Definition.** A function  $f$  is called uniformly convex in  $U$  if  $f$  is in  $CV$  and has the property that for every circular arc  $\gamma$  contained in  $U$ , with center  $\zeta$  also in  $U$ , the arc  $f(\gamma)$  is a convex arc.

Goodman gave a two-variable analytic characterization of this class, denoted by  $UVC$ .

**Theorem 1.** *A function of the form (1) is in UCV if and only if*

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + (z - \zeta) \frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} \geq 0, \quad (z, \zeta) \in U \times U. \quad (2)$$

Also, Goodman proved that the best known bounds on the coefficients for the family  $UVC$  are  $|a_n| \leq \frac{1}{n}, n \geq 2$ .

Ma and Minda [3] and Ronning [4] independently found a more applicable one-variable characterization for  $UVC$ .

**Theorem 2.** *A function  $f$  of the form (1) is in UVC if and only if*

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} \geq \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right|, \quad z \in U. \quad (3)$$

## 2. The class $UCV_A$

Let  $A \in E^*, A \neq 0$ . For any  $f \in H(B)$  of the form

$$f(x) = A(x) + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} P_{n,f}(x), \quad x \in B \quad (4)$$

and for any  $a \in \chi(A) \cap \hat{B}$  we set

$$f_a(z) = \frac{f(za)}{A(a)}, \quad z \in U. \quad (5)$$

Obviously

$$f_a(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{P_{n,f}(a)}{A(a)} z^n, \quad z \in U. \quad (6)$$

Moreover, it is easy to check that

$$f_a^{(n)}(z) = \frac{f^{(n)}(za)(a, \dots, a)}{A(a)}, \quad n \in \mathbf{N}, z \in U. \quad (7)$$

We denote by  $UCV_A$  the family of all functions  $f \in H(B)$  of the form (4) such that, for any  $a \in \chi(A) \cap \hat{B}$  the function  $f_a$  belongs to the class  $UCV$ .

By using the properties of the functions in  $UCV$ , we obtain a few results concerning the family  $UCV_A$ .

**Theorem 3.** *If  $f \in UCV_A$  and  $a \in \hat{B}$ , then*

$$|P_{n,f}(a)| \leq \frac{1}{n} |A(a)|, \quad n \geq 2 \quad (8)$$

**Proof.** Suppose that  $f \in UCV_A$ . If  $a \in \chi(A) \cap \hat{B}$ , then  $f_a \in UCV$  and hence we get (9). If  $a \in \gamma(A) \cap \hat{B}$ , evidently  $a = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} a_m$ , where  $a_m \in X(A)$ ,  $m \in \mathbf{N}$ . There exists  $r_m \in \mathbf{R}_+$  such that  $\frac{a_m}{r_m} \in \hat{B}$ . Clearly  $(r_m)_{m \geq 0}$  is bounded for the origin is an interior point of  $B$ . Since  $\frac{a_m}{r_m} \in \chi(A) \cap \hat{B}$ ,  $m \in \mathbf{N}$ , by the first part of the proof we have

$$\left| P_{n,f} \left( \frac{a_m}{r_m} \right) \right| \leq \frac{1}{n} \left| A \left( \frac{a_m}{r_m} \right) \right|, \quad m \in \mathbf{N}.$$

Hence

$$|P_{n,f}(a_m)| \leq \frac{r_m^{n-1}}{n} |A(a_m)|, \quad m \in \mathbf{N}.$$

By taking the limit with  $m \rightarrow \infty$ , we obtain  $P_{n,f}(a) = 0$ .

**Corollary 1.** All  $f \in UCV_A$  vanish on  $\gamma(A) \cap B$ .

**Corollary 2.** If  $f \in UCV_A$ , then

$$\|P_{n,f}\| \leq \frac{1}{n} \|A\|, \quad n \geq 2$$

The following theorems provide necessary and sufficient conditions for functions in  $H(B)$  to belong to the class  $UCV_A$ .

**Theorem 4.** Let  $f \in UCV_A$  and  $f'(x) \neq 0$ , for all  $x \in B$ . Then

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{f''(x)(x,x)}{f'(x)} \right\} \geq \left| \frac{f''(x)(x,x)}{f'(x)} \right|, \quad x \in \chi(A) \cap B. \quad (9)$$

**Proof.** Let  $x \in \chi(A) \cap B$ ,  $x \neq 0$ . Then  $a = \frac{x}{\|x\|} \in \chi(A) \cap \hat{B}$  and hence the function  $f_a$  belongs to the class  $UCV$ . From (3) we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''_a(z)}{f'_a(z)} \right\} \geq \left| \frac{zf''_a(z)}{f'_a(z)} \right|, \quad z \in U.$$

By using the equality

$$\frac{zf''_a(z)}{f'_a(z)} = \frac{f''(za)(za,za)}{f'(za)(za)}, \quad z \in U$$

we obtain

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{f''(za)(za,za)}{f'(za)(za)} \right\} \geq \left| \frac{f''(za)(za,za)}{f'(za)(za)} \right|, \quad z \in U.$$

By setting  $z = \|x\|$ , we get (9).

**Theorem 5.** Let  $f \in H(B)$ ,  $f'(0) = A$  and  $f'(x) \neq 0$ , for all  $x \in B$ . If

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{f''(x)(x, x)}{f'(x)} \right\} \geq \left| \frac{f''(x)(x, x)}{f'(x)} \right|, \quad x \in B \quad (10)$$

then  $f \in UCV_A$ .

**Proof.** Let  $a \in \chi(A) \cap \hat{B}$ . Then  $f'_a(z) = f'(za)(a) \neq 0, z \in U \setminus \{0\}$  and

$$\frac{zf''_a(z)}{f'_a(z)} = \frac{f''(za)(za, za)}{f'(za)}, \quad z \in U.$$

From (10), we obtain  $f_a \in UCV$ , for all  $a \in \chi(A) \cap \hat{B}$ . Hence  $f \in UCV_A$ .

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