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THE STRUCTURE OF BOUNDARY FUNCTIONS  
IN THE CLASSES  $\mathcal{G}^M$  AND  $\mathcal{W}^M$

In this paper we consider the structure of boundary functions with respect to a functional. In the first part of this work this functional is determined in the class  $\mathcal{G}^M$  of quasi-starlike functions and in the second part - in the class  $\mathcal{W}^M$  of quasi-convex functions.

Consider the class  $\mathcal{G}^M$  of functions

$$q(z) = \frac{1}{M} z + a_2 z^2 + \dots \text{ for } |z| < 1,$$

determined by the equation

$$(1) \quad F(q(z)) = \frac{1}{M} F(z) \text{ for } |z| < 1$$

where

$$F(z) = z + A_2 z^2 + \dots \text{ for } |z| < 1$$

is a starlike functions, and  $M > 1$ .

Functions of the class  $\mathcal{G}^M$  are said to be quasi-starlike.

In formula (1), let us replace the starlike function by a convex function; we get the class  $\mathcal{W}^M$ . Functions of this class are said to be quasi-convex.

The class  $\mathcal{G}^M$  and the class  $\mathcal{W}^M$  are compact.

Assume that in  $\mathcal{G}^M(\mathcal{W}^M)$  there is given a functional defined for every function  $q \in \mathcal{G}^M(\mathcal{W}^M)$  by the formula

$$(2) \quad F(q) = F(u_0, u_1, \dots, u_n, \bar{u}_0, \bar{u}_1, \dots, \bar{u}_n)$$

where  $F$  denotes a holomorphic function, whose derivatives of the first order do not disappear simultaneously in a sufficiently large domain.

In the first part of this paper we shall consider the class  $\mathcal{G}^M$ .

$$(2') \quad \text{Let } u_i = q^{(i)}(\zeta), \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n, \quad \text{for } q \in \mathcal{G}^M$$

where  $\zeta$  is an arbitrary complex number of the unit disc.

Let us consider the set  $D$  of values of the functional (2) and  $\hat{F}$  be an arbitrary point of the boundary of  $D$ . If there exists a point  $\hat{F}$  of the complement of  $D$  that

$$(3) \quad |F - \hat{F}| \geq |F - \hat{F}|$$

for all  $F$  of the set  $D$  then  $\hat{F}$  will be called a regular point. In the contrary the point of the boundary of the set  $D$  is called a singular point.

In [4] it has been proved that the set of the regular points of the boundary of set  $D$  is dense in the boundary of set  $D$ , so in order to determine the boundary of the set  $D$  it is sufficient to examine the set of its regular points.

A function for which the value of the functional belongs to the boundary of the set  $D$  will be called a boundary function with respect to this functional.

A function for which the value of the functional gives a regular boundary point will be called a regular boundary function.

Now we shall apply the variation formula (4) from [3] to the extremal problem in the  $\mathcal{G}^M$

$$(4) \quad q_\varepsilon(z) = q(z) + \varepsilon \frac{G(z)q'(z)}{G'(z)} \left[ Q(z, a) - Q(q(z), a) \right] + o(\varepsilon)$$

where  $|a| < 1$ ,  $|z| < 1$ ,  $M > 1$ ,  $A$  is an arbitrary complex number,

$$(5) \quad G(q(z)) = \frac{1}{M} G(z) \quad \text{and} \quad G \quad \text{is a starlike function.}$$

$$(6) \quad Q(z, a) = A K(z, a) - \bar{A} K(z, \frac{1}{\bar{a}}) - \frac{A}{H(a)} L(z, a) - \frac{\bar{A}}{\bar{H}(a)} \bar{L}(z, \frac{1}{\bar{a}})$$

$$(7) \quad K(z, a) = \frac{z + a}{z - a} + H(z)$$

$$(8) \quad L(z, a) = \frac{z + a}{z - a} H(z) + 1$$

$$(9) \quad H(z) = \frac{z}{G(z)} G'(z).$$

Let us take an arbitrary boundary and regular function  $q^*$  of the family  $\mathcal{G}^M$ . Putting  $q = q^*$ ,  $z = \bar{z}$  and  $a = z$  in the formula (4), we obtain

$$q_\varepsilon(\bar{z}) = q^*(\bar{z}) + \varepsilon \psi(\bar{z}, z) + o(\varepsilon)$$

where

$$(10) \quad \psi(\bar{z}, z) = \frac{G^*(\bar{z}) q^*(\bar{z})}{G^*(\bar{z})} [Q(\bar{z}, z) - Q(q^*(\bar{z}), z)].$$

We put

$$\Delta q^*(k) = q_\varepsilon^{(k)} - q^{(k)} \quad k=0, 1, \dots, n.$$

Taking (4) and (10) into consideration, we get

$$\Delta q^*(k) = \varepsilon \psi_{\bar{z}}^{(k)}(\bar{z}, z) + o(\varepsilon).$$

Denoting by

$$\Delta F = F(q_\varepsilon) - F(q^*)$$

$$(11) \quad L(q^*) = \sum_{k=0}^n [p_k \psi_{\bar{z}}^{(k)}(\bar{z}, z) + q_k \overline{\psi_{\bar{z}}^{(k)}(\bar{z}, z)}],$$

where

$$p_k = F'_{u_k}(q^*), \quad q_k = F'_{\bar{u}_k}(q^*).$$

Next we expand (2) in Taylor's series in a neighbourhood of  $(u_0^*, u_1^*, \dots, u_n^*, \bar{u}_0^*, \bar{u}_1^*, \dots, \bar{u}_n^*)$ . In view of (2') as well as of (11), we obtain

$$\Delta F = L(q^*) + o(\epsilon).$$

It is not difficult to see that for  $\hat{F} = F(q^*)$  (3) can be written as

$$(12) \quad \operatorname{re} [\beta L(q^*)] \geq 0$$

where

$$\beta = e^{-i \arg(\hat{F} - F)}.$$

Next we denote

$$(13) \quad M(\bar{z}, z) = \frac{G^*(\bar{z}) q^*(\bar{z})}{G^{*\prime}(\bar{z})} \left[ K(\bar{z}, z) - K(q^*(\bar{z}), z) \right],$$

$$(13') \quad N(\bar{z}, z) = \frac{G^*(\bar{z}) q^{*\prime}(\bar{z})}{G^{*\prime}(\bar{z})} \left[ L(\bar{z}, z) - L(q^*(\bar{z}), z) \right],$$

and

$$(14) \quad \frac{\partial^k}{\partial \bar{z}^k} M(\bar{z}, z) = M^k(\bar{z}, z),$$

$$(14') \quad \frac{\partial^k}{\partial \bar{z}^k} N(\bar{z}, z) = N^k(\bar{z}, z).$$

If in (12) in the place of the expressions with  $\bar{A}$  we put their conjugates, then (12) can be written, in view (6), (10), (11), (13) and (14), in form

$$\operatorname{re} \left\{ A \sum_{k=0}^n \left[ \beta p_k^M(z, z) - \beta p_k^M(z, \frac{1}{\bar{z}}) - \frac{1}{H(z)} \left( \beta p_k^N(z, z) + \beta p_k^N(z, \frac{1}{\bar{z}}) \right) + \beta q_k^M(z, z) - \beta q_k^M(z, \frac{1}{\bar{z}}) - \frac{1}{H(z)} \left( \beta q_k^N(z, z) - \beta q_k^N(z, \frac{1}{\bar{z}}) \right) \right] \right\} \geq 0.$$

Hence, because  $A$  is arbitrary, we have

$$(15) \quad H(z) \left( \overline{S(z, \frac{1}{\bar{z}})} - S(z, z) \right) = P(z, z) + \overline{P(z, \frac{1}{\bar{z}})},$$

where

$$(16) \quad P(z, z) = \sum_{k=0}^n \alpha_k^N(z, z),$$

$$(17) \quad S(z, z) = \sum_{k=0}^n \bar{\alpha}_k^M(z, z),$$

$$\alpha_k = \beta p_k + \beta q_k.$$

From (15) we see that the function  $G^*$  defined by the formula (5) for  $q = q^*$  satisfies equation (18) for  $z \in D$ , where

$$(18) \quad D = \left\{ z; |z| = 1 \text{ and } |G^*(z)| < \infty \right\}$$

$$\operatorname{re} \frac{z G^*(z)}{G^*(z)} = 0.$$

Condition (18) may be rewritten in the form

$$(19) \quad \arg G^*(z) = \text{const. for } z \in D.$$

Let  $T(z)$  denote the right-hand side of formula (15)

$$(20) \quad T(z) = P(z, z) + \overline{P(z, \frac{1}{\bar{z}})}.$$

We see that, by (8), (13'), (14') and (16), the function  $T(z)$  is a real and continuous function for  $z$  of the unit circle. Further, we see that  $T(z)$  has no poles, and  $T(z)$  has, at least,  $4n+4$  roots on the unit circle. From the above it follows that  $G^*$  has, at most,  $4n+4$  singular points on the unit circle. Next, it is well known that, by (18), the function  $G^*$  may be written in the form

$$(21) \quad G(z) = \frac{z}{\prod_{k=1}^N (1 - \delta_k z)^{\beta_k}} \quad \text{for } |z| < 1$$

where

$$\delta_k = e^{i\varphi_k}, \text{ im } \varphi_k = 0, \varphi_k \neq \varphi_{k'}, \text{ for } k \neq k' \text{ and } k, k' = 1, 2, \dots, N,$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k = 2, \beta_k > 0 \text{ for } k = 1, 2, \dots, N.$$

Summarizing, we obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.** Every quasi-starlike function  $q^*$ , which is a boundary and regular function with respect to the functional (2) satisfies the equation

$$G^*(q^*(z)) = \frac{1}{M} G^*(z) \quad \text{for } |z| < 1$$

where  $G^*$  is a starlike function of the form (21).

We shall now show that  $N \leq 2n+2$ .

It is obvious that the image of the unit circle under transformation of the form (21) is the plane without  $N$  half-lines of the form  $w=w_0 t$  where  $t \geq 1$ .

Let  $e^{iy_j}$  denote the points whose images under transformation  $G^*$  are  $w_j$  where  $j = 1, 2, \dots, N$ . We may assume that

$$0 \leq \varphi_1 < \varphi_1 < \dots < \varphi_n < \varphi_1 + 2\pi.$$

Because

$$H(e^{iy}) = 0 \quad \text{for } j=1, 2, \dots, N,$$

we have

$$(22) \quad T(e^{iy}) = 0 \quad \text{for } j=1, 2, \dots, N.$$

We shall now show that

$$(23) \quad T(e^{iq_j}) \geq 0 \quad \text{for } j=1, 2, \dots, N.$$

We shall use the variation formula (24) from [2].

$$(24) \quad G_\varepsilon(z) = G(z) + \varepsilon G(z) \left[ 1 + H(z) \frac{z + e^{iq_j}}{z - e^{iq_j}} \right] + o(\varepsilon)$$

where  $|z| < 1$ .

We put

$$G(z) = w, \quad G_\varepsilon(z) = w_\varepsilon.$$

Hence, we see that

$$G^{-1}(w) = z = G_\varepsilon^{-1}(w)$$

$$G_\varepsilon^{-1}(G_\varepsilon(z)) = G_\varepsilon^{-1}\left(G(z) + \varepsilon G(z) \left[ 1 + H(z) \frac{z + e^{iq_j}}{z - e^{iq_j}} \right] + o(\varepsilon)\right).$$

We expand this function in Taylor's series in a neighbourhood of  $\varepsilon = 0$ . We then obtain

$$G^{-1}(w) = G_\varepsilon^{-1}(w) + \varepsilon w \left[ 1 + H(G^{-1}(w)) \frac{G^{-1}(w) + e^{iq_j}}{G^{-1}(w) - e^{iq_j}} \right] G^{-1}'(w) + o(\varepsilon).$$

Denoting

$$M = \frac{1}{\lambda}, \quad G(q(z)) = \lambda G(z) \quad \text{and} \quad w = \lambda G(z)$$

we see that

$$q(z) = G_\varepsilon^{-1}(\lambda G(z)) + \varepsilon \lambda \frac{G(z)q'(z)}{G'(z)} \left[ 1 + H(q(z)) \frac{q(z) + e^{i\varphi_j}}{q(z) - e^{i\varphi_j}} \right] + o(\varepsilon).$$

On the other hand we have

$$G_\varepsilon^{-1}(\lambda G(z)) = G_\varepsilon^{-1}\left(\lambda G(z) + \varepsilon \lambda G(z) \left[ 1 + H(z) \frac{z + e^{i\varphi_j}}{z - e^{i\varphi_j}} \right] + o(\varepsilon)\right),$$

$$q_\varepsilon(z) = G_\varepsilon^{-1}(\lambda G(z)) + \varepsilon \frac{G(z)q'(z)}{G'(z)} \left[ 1 + H(z) \frac{z + e^{i\varphi_j}}{z - e^{i\varphi_j}} \right] + o(\varepsilon).$$

Finally we obtain

$$q_\varepsilon(z) - q(z) = \varepsilon \frac{G(z)q'(z)}{G'(z)} \left[ H(z) \frac{z + e^{i\varphi_j}}{z - e^{i\varphi_j}} - H(q(z)) \frac{q(z) + e^{i\varphi_j}}{q(z) - e^{i\varphi_j}} \right] + o(\varepsilon).$$

If in the above formula we put  $\bar{z}$  in place of  $z$ , then (11) can be written

$$\begin{aligned} L(q) &= \sum_{k=0}^n p_k \frac{\partial^k}{\partial \bar{z}^k} \left\{ \frac{G(\bar{z})q'(\bar{z})}{G'(\bar{z})} \left[ H(\bar{z}) \frac{\bar{z} + e^{i\varphi_j}}{\bar{z} - e^{i\varphi_j}} - H(q(\bar{z})) \frac{q(\bar{z}) + e^{i\varphi_j}}{q(\bar{z}) - e^{i\varphi_j}} \right] \right\} + \\ &+ \sum_{k=0}^n q_k \frac{\partial^k}{\partial \bar{z}^k} \left\{ \frac{G(\bar{z})q'(\bar{z})}{G'(\bar{z})} \left[ H(\bar{z}) \frac{\bar{z} + e^{i\varphi_j}}{\bar{z} - e^{i\varphi_j}} - H(q(\bar{z})) \frac{q(\bar{z}) + e^{i\varphi_j}}{q(\bar{z}) - e^{i\varphi_j}} \right] \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Further by (12), we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\operatorname{re} \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^n p_k \beta \frac{\partial^k}{\partial \bar{z}^k} \left( \frac{G(\bar{z})q'(\bar{z})}{G'(\bar{z})} (L(\bar{z}, e^{i\varphi_j}) - L(q(\bar{z}), e^{i\varphi_j})) \right) + \right. \\ &\left. \sum_{k=0}^n q_k \beta \frac{\partial^k}{\partial \bar{z}^k} \left( \frac{G(\bar{z})q'(\bar{z})}{G'(\bar{z})} (L(\bar{z}, e^{i\varphi_j}) - L(q(\bar{z}), e^{i\varphi_j})) \right) \right\} \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently we have (23).

Let us consider the only two possible cases.

1°  $T(e^{i\theta}) = 0$  for every  $j=1,2,\dots,N$ .

Then by (22) we have that  $T(z)$  has, at least,  $2N$  roots on the unit circle. Therefore we obtain that  $N \leq 2n+2$ .

2°  $T(e^{i\theta}) > 0$  for some  $j$ .

In this case the unit circle may be divided into disjoint arcs which initial and terminal points are  $e^{i\theta}$  for which  $T(e^{i\theta}) > 0$ . For every arc  $T(z)$  has, at least, two times more roots than the number of points  $e^{i\theta}$  belonging to the arc. Then  $T(z)$  has, at least,  $2N$  roots, therefore we have that  $N \leq 2n+2$ .

Hence, we have proved the following theorem.

Theorem 2. Every quasi-starlike function  $q^*$ , which is boundary and regular function with respect to the functional (2) satisfies the equation

$$G^*(q^*(z)) = \frac{1}{M} G^*(z) \quad \text{for } |z| < 1$$

where  $G^*$  is a starlike function of the form (21) for which  $N \leq 2n+2$ .

Next let us consider the class  $\mathcal{W}^M$  of functions quasi convex. Now we shall use the variation formula (25) from [3] to extremal problem in the  $\mathcal{W}^M$ .

$$(25) \quad h_\varepsilon(z) = h(z) + \varepsilon \frac{h'(z)}{f'(z)} \left[ \int_0^z f'(z) [Q(z, a) - Q(h(z), a)] dz \right] + o(\varepsilon)$$

where  $|z| < 1$ ,  $|a| < 1$ ,  $A$  is an arbitrary complex number,  $h \in \mathcal{W}^M$ ,  $f$  is a convex function

$$f(h(z)) = \lambda f(z), \quad 0 < \lambda < 1$$

$$Q(z, a) = AK(z, a) - \bar{A} K\left(z, \frac{1}{\bar{a}}\right) - \frac{A}{H(a)} L(z, a) - \frac{\bar{A}}{\bar{H}(a)} L\left(z, \frac{1}{\bar{a}}\right)$$

$$K(z, a) = \frac{z+a}{z-a} + H(z)$$

$$L(z, a) = \frac{z+a}{z-a} H(z) + 1$$

$$(27) \quad H(z) = \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + 1.$$

In exactly the same way as previously we show that every quasi-convex function  $h^*$  which is boundary and regular function with respect to the functional (2) satisfies the equation

$$(28) \quad H(z) \left( E(\bar{z}, z) - \overline{E(\bar{z}, \frac{1}{\bar{z}})} \right) = R(\bar{z}, z) + \overline{R(\bar{z}, \frac{1}{\bar{z}})}$$

where

$$(29) \quad E(\bar{z}, z) = \sum_{k=0}^n \alpha_k \frac{\partial^k}{\partial \bar{z}^k} \left( \frac{h^{*'}(\bar{z})}{f^{*'}(\bar{z})} \int_0^{\bar{z}} f^{*'}(\bar{z}) \left( K(\bar{z}, z) - K(h^*(\bar{z}), z) \right) d\bar{z} \right)$$

$$(30) \quad R(\bar{z}, z) = \sum_{k=0}^n \bar{\alpha}_k \frac{\partial^k}{\partial \bar{z}^k} \left( \frac{h^{*''}(\bar{z})}{f^{*''}(\bar{z})} \int_0^{\bar{z}} f^{*''}(\bar{z}) \left( L(\bar{z}, z) - L(h^*(\bar{z}), z) \right) d\bar{z} \right).$$

Hence, denoting by  $\hat{T}(z) = R(\bar{z}, z) + \overline{R(\bar{z}, \frac{1}{\bar{z}})}$ , by (26) and (30) we have that  $\hat{T}(z)$  is meromorphic in the annulus  $R_1 < |z| < R_2$ , for given  $R_1 < 1$  and  $R_2 > 1$ . Consequently,  $\hat{T}(z)$  has, at most, a finite number of roots on the unit circle.

From (27) and (28) we see that  $\operatorname{re} \left( \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + 1 \right) = 0$  for  $z \in D$ , where

$$D = \left\{ z; |z| = 1 \text{ and } |h^*(z)| < \infty \right\}.$$

This implies, that  $\arg G^*(z) = \text{const.}$  for  $z \in D$  where  $G^*(z) = zf''(z)$ .

Hence, we have proved the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.** Every quasi-convex function  $h^*$  which is boundary and regular function with respect to the functional (2) satisfies the equation

$$f^*(h^*(z)) = \lambda f^*(z) \quad \text{for } |z| < 1$$

where  $f^*$  is a convex function of the form

$$f^*(z) = \int_0^z \frac{G^*(z)}{z} dz$$

where  $G^*$  is a starlike function of the form (21).

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