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NOTES ON THE OPEN DOOR LEMMA

Abstract. Applying the open door function which maps the open unit disk \mathbb{U} onto a slit domain, a certain method of the proof involving a special differential subordination which is referred to as the open door lemma was discussed by some mathematicians. In the present paper, by discussing a certain univalent function in \mathbb{U} which maps \mathbb{U} onto a slit domain, a new open door lemma is discussed.

1. Introduction

Let \mathcal{H} denote the class of functions $p(z)$ which are analytic in the open unit disk $\mathbb{U} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$. For a positive integer n and a complex number c , let $\mathcal{H}[c, n]$ be the class of functions $p(z) \in \mathcal{H}$ of the form

$$p(z) = c + \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} c_k z^k.$$

Let $p(z)$ and $q(z)$ be members of the class \mathcal{H} . Then the function $p(z)$ is said to be subordinate to $q(z)$ in \mathbb{U} , written by

$$(1.1) \quad p(z) \prec q(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

if there exists a function $w(z) \in \mathcal{H}$ with $w(0) = 0$, $|w(z)| < 1$ ($z \in \mathbb{U}$), and such that $p(z) = q(w(z))$ ($z \in \mathbb{U}$). From the definition of the subordinations, it is easy to show that the subordination (1.1) implies that

$$(1.2) \quad p(0) = q(0) \quad \text{and} \quad p(\mathbb{U}) \subset q(\mathbb{U}).$$

In particular, if $q(z)$ is univalent in \mathbb{U} , then we see that the subordination (1.1) is equivalent to the condition (1.2) by considering the function

$$w(z) = q^{-1}(p(z)) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

For $0 < r_0 \leq 1$, we let

$$\mathbb{U}_{r_0} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < r_0\}, \quad \partial\mathbb{U}_{r_0} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| = r_0\}$$

and $\overline{\mathbb{U}_{r_0}} = \mathbb{U}_{r_0} \cup \partial\mathbb{U}_{r_0}$. In particular, we write $\mathbb{U}_1 = \mathbb{U}$.

Miller and Mocanu [1] derived some lemma which is related to the subordination of two functions as follows.

LEMMA 1.1 *Let $p(z) \in \mathcal{H}[c, n]$ with $p(z) \neq c$. Also, let $q(z)$ be analytic and univalent on the closed unit disk $\bar{\mathbb{U}}$ except for at most one pole on $\partial\mathbb{U}$ with $q(0) = c$. If $p(z)$ is not subordinate to $q(z)$ in \mathbb{U} , then there exist two points $z_0 \in \partial\mathbb{U}_r$ with $0 < r < 1$ and $\zeta_0 \in \partial\mathbb{U}$, and a real number k with $k \geq n$ for which $p(\mathbb{U}_r) \subset q(\mathbb{U})$,*

$$(i) \quad p(z_0) = q(\zeta_0)$$

and

$$(ii) \quad z_0 p'(z_0) = k \zeta_0 q'(\zeta_0)$$

Applying Lemma 1.1, Miller and Mocanu [2] discussed some lemma which is referred to as the open door lemma. By using a certain method which was discussed by Miller and Mocanu [2], we consider the sharp result for the open door lemma.

LEMMA 1.2 *Let c be a complex number with $\operatorname{Re} c > 0$. Also, let $P(z) \in \mathcal{H}[c, n]$, and suppose that*

$$(1.3) \quad P(\mathbb{U}) \subset \mathbb{C} \setminus \{\ell_{c,n}^+ \cup \ell_{c,n}^-\},$$

where

$$(1.4) \quad \ell_{c,n}^+ = \left\{ w \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Re} w = 0 \text{ and } \operatorname{Im} w \geq \frac{n}{\operatorname{Re} c} \left(|c| \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1} - \operatorname{Im} c \right) \right\}$$

and

$$(1.5) \quad \ell_{c,n}^- = \left\{ w \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Re} w = 0 \text{ and } \operatorname{Im} w \leq -\frac{n}{\operatorname{Re} c} \left(|c| \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1} + \operatorname{Im} c \right) \right\}.$$

If $p(z) \in \mathcal{H}[\frac{1}{c}, n]$ satisfies the following differential equation

$$(1.6) \quad z p'(z) + P(z) p(z) = 1 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

then $\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0$ ($z \in \mathbb{U}$).

Proof. If we define the function $q(z)$ by

$$q(z) = \frac{\frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{c}z}{1-z} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

then $q(z)$ is analytic and univalent in \mathbb{U} with $q(0) = \frac{1}{c}$, and $q(\mathbb{U}) = \{w \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Re} w > 0\}$. In addition, we remark that $\lim_{z \rightarrow 1} q(z) = \infty$ and $\operatorname{Re} q(\zeta) = 0$ ($\zeta \in \partial\mathbb{U} \setminus \{1\}$). If we

assume that $p(z)$ is not subordinate to $q(z)$ in \mathbb{U} , then by Lemma 1.1, there exist two points $z_0 \in \mathbb{U}$ and $\zeta_0 \in \partial\mathbb{U} \setminus \{1\}$, and a real number k with $k \geq n$ such that $p(z_0) = q(\zeta_0)$ and $z_0 p'(z_0) = k \zeta_0 q'(\zeta_0)$. We now put $si = q(\zeta_0)$, where s is real number. Then since

$$\zeta_0 = -\frac{\bar{c} - |c|^2 q(\zeta_0)}{c + |c|^2 q(\zeta_0)} = -\frac{\bar{c} - |c|^2 si}{c + |c|^2 si},$$

we have

$$k \zeta_0 q'(\zeta_0) = -\frac{k|c + |c|^2 si|^2}{2|c|^2 \operatorname{Re} c} \leq -\frac{n|c + |c|^2 si|^2}{2|c|^2 \operatorname{Re} c} < 0.$$

Therefore, we find that

$$p(z_0) = si \quad \text{and} \quad z_0 p'(z_0) = t,$$

where s and t are real numbers with

$$(1.7) \quad t \leq -\frac{n|c + |c|^2 si|^2}{2|c|^2 \operatorname{Re} c} = -\frac{n}{2 \operatorname{Re} c} (1 + 2s \operatorname{Im} c + |c|^2 s^2) < 0.$$

If we take $z = z_0$ in the equality (1.6), then

$$z_0 p'(z_0) + P(z_0) p(z_0) = \{t - s \operatorname{Im} P(z_0)\} + i\{s \operatorname{Re} P(z_0)\} = 1,$$

which implies that

$$t - s \operatorname{Im} P(z_0) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad s \operatorname{Re} P(z_0) = 0.$$

Since $t < 0$, it is easy to see that $s \neq 0$. Thus, we obtain

$$(1.8) \quad \operatorname{Re} P(z_0) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \operatorname{Im} P(z_0) = \frac{t-1}{s}.$$

It follows from (1.7) and (1.8) that

$$\operatorname{Im} P(z_0) \begin{cases} \leq -\frac{n \operatorname{Im} c}{\operatorname{Re} c} + \frac{1}{2 \operatorname{Re} c} F(s) & (s > 0) \\ \geq -\frac{n \operatorname{Im} c}{\operatorname{Re} c} + \frac{1}{2 \operatorname{Re} c} F(s) & (s < 0), \end{cases}$$

where

$$F(s) = -\frac{2 \operatorname{Re} c + n + n|c|^2 s^2}{s}.$$

By observing the fluctuation of $F(s)$, we obtain that

$$\max_{s>0} F(s) = F\left(\frac{1}{|c|} \sqrt{\frac{2 \operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1}\right) = -2n|c| \sqrt{\frac{2 \operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1}$$

and

$$\min_{s < 0} F(s) = F\left(-\frac{1}{|c|} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re}c}{n} + 1}\right) = 2n|c| \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re}c}{n} + 1}.$$

From the above-mentioned calculations, we conclude that

$$\operatorname{Re}P(z_0) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \operatorname{Im}P(z_0) \begin{cases} \leq -\frac{n\operatorname{Im}c}{\operatorname{Re}c} - \frac{n|c|}{\operatorname{Re}c} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re}c}{n} + 1} & (s > 0) \\ \geq -\frac{n\operatorname{Im}c}{\operatorname{Re}c} + \frac{n|c|}{\operatorname{Re}c} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re}c}{n} + 1} & (s < 0), \end{cases}$$

which means that $P(z_0) \notin \mathbb{C} \setminus \{\ell_{c,n}^+ \cup \ell_{c,n}^-\}$. This contradicts the assumption, and hence we must have $p(z) \prec q(z)$ ($z \in \mathbb{U}$), which implies that $\operatorname{Re}p(z) > 0$ ($z \in \mathbb{U}$). \square

REMARK 1.3 In the open door lemma, Miller and Mocanu [1] assumed that $P(\mathbb{U}) \subset \mathbb{C} \setminus \ell_{c,n}$, where

$$\ell_{c,n} = \left\{ w \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Re}w = 0 \text{ and } |\operatorname{Im}w| \geq \frac{n}{\operatorname{Re}c} \left(|c| \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re}c}{n} + 1} + \operatorname{Im}c \right) \right\}.$$

In Lemma 1.2, we supposed that $P(\mathbb{U})$ belongs to the slit domain $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{\ell_{c,n}^+ \cup \ell_{c,n}^-\}$ which is not symmetric with respect to the real axis.

We next introduce a certain univalent function $R(z)$ in \mathbb{U} such that $R(\mathbb{U}) = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{\ell_{c,n}^+ \cup \ell_{c,n}^-\}$.

REMARK 1.4 Let b be a complex number with $|b| < 1$ such that

$$(1.9) \quad \frac{n|c|}{\operatorname{Re}c} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re}c}{n} + 1} \frac{2b}{1-b^2} - \frac{n\operatorname{Im}c}{\operatorname{Re}c} i = c.$$

If we set

$$R_1(z) = \frac{b-z}{1-\bar{b}z} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

$$R_2(z) = \frac{n|c|}{\operatorname{Re}c} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re}c}{n} + 1} \frac{2z}{1-z^2} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U})$$

and

$$R_3(w) = w - \frac{n\operatorname{Im}c}{\operatorname{Re}c} i \quad (w \in R_2(\mathbb{U})),$$

then the function $R(z)$ defined by

$$(1.10) \quad R(z) = (R_3 \circ R_2 \circ R_1)(z)$$

$$= \frac{2n|c|}{\operatorname{Re} c} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1} \frac{(b-z)(1-\bar{b}z)}{(1-\bar{b}z)^2 - (b-z)^2} - \frac{n\operatorname{Im} c}{\operatorname{Re} c} i \quad (z \in \mathbb{U})$$

is analytic and univalent in \mathbb{U} with $R(0) = c$. Moreover, since $R_2(z)$ maps \mathbb{U} onto the complex plane w with slits along the half-lines

$$|\operatorname{Im} w| \geq \frac{n|c|}{\operatorname{Re} c} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1},$$

we easily see that $R(\mathbb{U}) = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{\ell_{c,n}^+ \cup \ell_{c,n}^-\}$. The function $R(z)$ defined by (1.10) is called the open door function (cf. [2]).

REMARK 1.5 Let us consider the complex number b with $|b| < 1$ and the relation (1.9). From the relation (1.9), we have

$$(1.11) \quad b^2 + \frac{\frac{4c}{|c|} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1}}{\frac{c^2}{|c|^2} \left(\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1\right) - 1} b - 1 = 0.$$

Noting that

$$\left(\frac{\frac{2c}{|c|} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1}}{\frac{c^2}{|c|^2} \left(\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1\right) - 1} \right)^2 + 1 = \left(\frac{\frac{c^2}{|c|^2} \left(\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1\right) + 1}{\frac{c^2}{|c|^2} \left(\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1\right) - 1} \right)^2,$$

it follows from the relation (1.11) that $b = b^+, b^-$, where

$$b^+ = \frac{-\frac{2c}{|c|} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1} + \left\{ \frac{c^2}{|c|^2} \left(\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1\right) + 1 \right\}}{\frac{c^2}{|c|^2} \left(\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1\right) - 1} = \frac{\frac{c}{|c|} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1} - 1}{\frac{c}{|c|} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1} + 1}$$

and

$$b^- = \frac{-\frac{2c}{|c|} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1} - \left\{ \frac{c^2}{|c|^2} \left(\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1\right) + 1 \right\}}{\frac{c^2}{|c|^2} \left(\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1\right) - 1} = -\frac{\frac{c}{|c|} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1} + 1}{\frac{c}{|c|} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1} - 1}.$$

Since

$$\left| \frac{c}{|c|} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1} + 1 \right|^2 - \left| \frac{c}{|c|} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1} - 1 \right|^2 = \frac{4\operatorname{Re} c}{|c|} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1} > 0,$$

we find that

$$|b^+| = \frac{1}{|b^-|} = \left| \frac{\frac{c}{|c|} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1} - 1}{\frac{c}{|c|} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1} + 1} \right| < 1.$$

Therefore, we see that

$$(1.12) \quad b = 1 - \frac{2}{\frac{c}{|c|} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1} + 1} \quad (0 < |b| < 1).$$

In particular, if $c > 0$ in the equality (1.12), we obtain

$$b = 1 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{\frac{2c}{n} + 1} + 1} = \frac{n \left(\sqrt{\frac{2c}{n} + 1} - 1 \right)^2}{2c} \quad (0 < b < 1).$$

Since the open door function $R(z)$ given in (1.10) is univalent in \mathbb{U} , we find that the assumption (1.3) in Lemma 1.2 is equivalent to the subordination

$$(1.13) \quad P(z) \prec R(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U})$$

from the definition of the subordinations. Also, it is easy to see that

$$\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}) \quad \text{if and only if} \quad p(z) \prec \frac{\frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{c}z}{1-z} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U})$$

for $p(z) \in \mathcal{H}[\frac{1}{c}, n]$. Hence by Lemma 1.2, we derive the open door lemma concerned with the subordinations below.

LEMMA 1.6 *Let c be a complex number with $\operatorname{Re} c > 0$, and let $P(z) \in \mathcal{H}[c, n]$ satisfy the subordination (1.13). If $p(z) \in \mathcal{H}[\frac{1}{c}, n]$ satisfies the differential equation (1.6), then*

$$p(z) \prec \frac{\frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{c}z}{1-z} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

2. Notes on new open door function

Since the open door function $R(z)$ given in (1.10) is complicated, we will provide a simpler version of the open door function by using another method.

In order to discuss our problem, we first notice the differential equation

$$(2.1) \quad zp'(z) + P(z)p(z) = 1 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

It follows from the equation (2.1) that

$$P(z) = \frac{1}{p(z)} - \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Hence, the subordination relation in Lemma 1.6 can be written as follows:

$$\frac{1}{p(z)} - \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \prec R(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}) \quad \text{implies} \quad p(z) \prec \frac{\frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{c}z}{1-z} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U})$$

for $p(z) \in [\frac{1}{c}, n]$, where $R(z)$ is the open door function given in (1.10). We now set

$$q(z) = \frac{\frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{c}z}{1-z} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

From the theory of the differential subordinations (cf. [1]), we see that $p(z) \in [\frac{1}{c}, n]$ satisfies the following implication:

$$\frac{1}{p(z)} - \frac{zp'(z)}{p(z)} \prec \frac{1}{q(z)} - \frac{nzq'(z)}{q(z)} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}) \quad \text{implies} \quad p(z) \prec q(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Then, a simple calculation yields to

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{q(z)} - \frac{nzq'(z)}{q(z)} &= \frac{1-z}{\frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{c}z} - n \left(-\frac{1}{1 + \frac{c}{c}z} + \frac{1}{1-z} \right) \\ &= -\bar{c} - \frac{n}{1-z} + \frac{2\operatorname{Re}c + n}{1 + \frac{c}{c}z} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}). \end{aligned}$$

From the above facts, we expect that the function $R_{c,n}(z)$ defined by

$$(2.2) \quad R_{c,n}(z) = -\bar{c} - \frac{n}{1-z} + \frac{2\operatorname{Re}c + n}{1 + \frac{c}{c}z} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U})$$

is a new open door function.

We discussed some properties for the function $R_{c,n}(z)$ defined by (2.2) as follows.

THEOREM 2.1 *Let n be a positive integer, and let c be a complex number with $\operatorname{Re}c > 0$. Then the function $R_{c,n}(z)$ defined by (2.2) is analytic and univalent in \mathbb{U} with $R_{c,n}(0) = c$.*

In addition, the function $R_{c,n}(z)$ maps \mathbb{U} onto the complex plane with the slits along the half-lines $\ell_{c,n}^+$ and $\ell_{c,n}^-$, where $\ell_{c,n}^+$ and $\ell_{c,n}^-$ are defined by (1.4) and (1.5) respectively.

Proof. It is easy to see that $R_{c,n}(z)$ is analytic in \mathbb{U} with $R_{c,n}(0) = c$. Thus, we first show that $R_{c,n}(z)$ is univalent in \mathbb{U} . For $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{U}$ with $z_1 \neq z_2$, we calculate that

$$\begin{aligned} R_{c,n}(z_1) - R_{c,n}(z_2) &= \left(-\bar{c} + 2\operatorname{Re}c \frac{\bar{c} - (\bar{c} + n)z_1}{(1-z_1)(\bar{c} + cz_1)} \right) - \left(-\bar{c} + 2\operatorname{Re}c \frac{\bar{c} - (\bar{c} + n)z_2}{(1-z_2)(\bar{c} + cz_2)} \right) \\ &= \frac{2\operatorname{Re}c \left\{ (\bar{c} - (\bar{c} + n)z_1)(\bar{c} + cz_2)(1-z_2) - (\bar{c} - (\bar{c} + n)z_2)(\bar{c} + cz_1)(1-z_1) \right\}}{(1-z_1)(\bar{c} + cz_1)(1-z_2)(\bar{c} + cz_2)} \\ &= \frac{2\operatorname{Re}c(z_2 - z_1) \left\{ |c|^2 + n\bar{c} - |c|^2(z_1 + z_2) + (|c|^2 + nc)z_1z_2 \right\}}{(1-z_1)(\bar{c} + cz_1)(1-z_2)(\bar{c} + cz_2)}. \end{aligned}$$

We now suppose that

$$(2.3) \quad |c|^2 + n\bar{c} - |c|^2(z_1 + z_2) + (|c|^2 + nc)z_1z_2 = 0 \quad (z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Then, it follows from the equality (2.3) that

$$|z_1| = \left| \frac{|c|^2 + n\bar{c} - |c|^2z_2}{|c|^2 - (|c|^2 + nc)z_2} \right| < 1,$$

which implies that

$$\left(| |c|^2 + nc|^2 - |c|^4 \right) |z_2|^2 > | |c|^2 + nc|^2 - |c|^4.$$

Since

$$| |c|^2 + nc|^2 - |c|^4 = n|c|^2(2\operatorname{Re} c + n) > 0,$$

we find that $|z_2| > 1$. This contradicts the fact $z_2 \in \mathbb{U}$, and hence we must have

$$|c|^2 + n\bar{c} - |c|^2(z_1 + z_2) + (|c|^2 + nc)z_1z_2 \neq 0 \quad (z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Therefore, we conclude that

$$R_{c,n}(z_1) - R_{c,n}(z_2) = \frac{2\operatorname{Re} c(z_2 - z_1) \left\{ |c|^2 + n\bar{c} - |c|^2(z_1 + z_2) + (|c|^2 + nc)z_1z_2 \right\}}{(1 - z_1)(\bar{c} + cz_1)(1 - z_2)(\bar{c} + cz_2)} \neq 0$$

for $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{U}$ with $z_1 \neq z_2$, which proves that $R_{c,n}(z)$ is univalent in \mathbb{U} .

We next consider the image of \mathbb{U} by the function $R_{c,n}(z)$. Letting

$$z = e^{i\theta} \quad (0 \leq \theta < 2\pi) \quad \text{and} \quad c = |c|e^{i\varphi} \quad \left(|\varphi| < \frac{\pi}{2} \right),$$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} R_{c,n}(e^{i\theta}) &= -\bar{c} - \frac{n}{1 - e^{i\theta}} + \frac{2\operatorname{Re} c + n}{1 + e^{2i\varphi}e^{i\theta}} \\ &= -(\operatorname{Re} c - i\operatorname{Im} c) - n \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{i}{2} \cot \frac{\theta}{2} \right) + (2\operatorname{Re} c + n) \left\{ \frac{1}{2} - \frac{i}{2} \tan \left(\frac{\theta}{2} + \varphi \right) \right\} \\ &= i \left[\operatorname{Im} c - \frac{n}{2} \left\{ \left(\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1 \right) \tan \left(\frac{\theta}{2} + \varphi \right) + \cot \frac{\theta}{2} \right\} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we have

$$\begin{cases} \operatorname{Re} R_{c,n}(e^{i\theta}) = 0 \\ \operatorname{Im} R_{c,n}(e^{i\theta}) = \operatorname{Im} c - \frac{n}{2} \left\{ \left(\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1 \right) \tan \left(\frac{\theta}{2} + \varphi \right) + \cot \frac{\theta}{2} \right\}. \end{cases}$$

Here, we observe the fluctuation of $\text{Im} R_{c,n}(e^{i\theta})$ for $0 < \theta < 2\pi$ ($\theta \neq \pi - 2\varphi$). If we let

$$F(\theta) = \text{Im} c - \frac{n}{2} \left\{ \left(\frac{2\text{Re} c}{n} + 1 \right) \tan \left(\frac{\theta}{2} + \varphi \right) + \cot \frac{\theta}{2} \right\},$$

then, a simple calculation yields that

$$\begin{aligned} (2.4) \quad F'(\theta) &= -\frac{n}{2} \left\{ \left(\frac{2\text{Re} c}{n} + 1 \right) \frac{1}{2 \cos^2 \left(\frac{\theta}{2} + \varphi \right)} - \frac{1}{2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}} \right\} \\ &= \frac{n}{4 \cos^2 \left(\frac{\theta}{2} + \varphi \right)} \left\{ \frac{\cos^2 \left(\frac{\theta}{2} + \varphi \right)}{\sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}} - \left(\frac{2\text{Re} c}{n} + 1 \right) \right\} \\ &= \frac{n}{4 \cos^2 \left(\frac{\theta}{2} + \varphi \right)} \left\{ \left(\cos \varphi \cot \frac{\theta}{2} - \sin \varphi \right)^2 - \left(\frac{2\text{Re} c}{n} + 1 \right) \right\} \\ &= \frac{n}{4 \cos^2 \left(\frac{\theta}{2} + \varphi \right)} \left\{ \left(\frac{\text{Re} c}{|c|} \cot \frac{\theta}{2} - \frac{\text{Im} c}{|c|} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{2\text{Re} c}{n} + 1 \right) \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\theta \neq 0, \pi - 2\varphi$. Thus, we see that $F'(\theta) = 0$ for $\theta = \theta_1, \theta_2$, where

$$\theta_1 = 2 \cot^{-1} \left(\frac{\text{Im} c}{\text{Re} c} + \frac{|c|}{\text{Re} c} \sqrt{\frac{2\text{Re} c}{n} + 1} \right)$$

and

$$\theta_2 = 2 \cot^{-1} \left(\frac{\text{Im} c}{\text{Re} c} - \frac{|c|}{\text{Re} c} \sqrt{\frac{2\text{Re} c}{n} + 1} \right).$$

Then since

$$\frac{\text{Im} c}{\text{Re} c} - \frac{|c|}{\text{Re} c} \sqrt{\frac{2\text{Re} c}{n} + 1} < \frac{\text{Im} c}{\text{Re} c} < \frac{\text{Im} c}{\text{Re} c} + \frac{|c|}{\text{Re} c} \sqrt{\frac{2\text{Re} c}{n} + 1}$$

and

$$2 \cot^{-1} \frac{\text{Im} c}{\text{Re} c} = \pi - 2\varphi,$$

a simple check gives us that

$$0 < \theta_1 < \pi - 2\varphi < \theta_2 < 2\pi.$$

Moreover, it is easy to see that $F'(\theta)$ is positive for $0 < \theta < \theta_1$ and $\theta_2 < \theta < 2\pi$, and $F'(\theta)$ is negative for $\theta_1 < \theta < \theta_2$ ($\theta \neq \pi - 2\varphi$). Also, it follows from (2.4) that

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow +0} F(\theta) = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow \psi-0} F(\theta) = -\infty$$

and

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \psi+0} F(\theta) = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 2\pi-0} F(\theta) = +\infty,$$

where $\psi = \pi - 2\varphi$.

Noting that

$$\cot \frac{\theta_1}{2} = \frac{\operatorname{Im} c}{\operatorname{Re} c} + \frac{|c|}{\operatorname{Re} c} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1} \quad \text{and} \quad \cot \frac{\theta_2}{2} = \frac{\operatorname{Im} c}{\operatorname{Re} c} - \frac{|c|}{\operatorname{Re} c} \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1},$$

we find that

$$\begin{aligned} F(\theta_1) &= \operatorname{Im} c - \frac{n}{2} \left\{ \left(\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1 \right) \left(\frac{\operatorname{Im} c}{\operatorname{Re} c} + \frac{|c|^2}{(\operatorname{Re} c)^2} \frac{1}{\cot \frac{\theta_1}{2} - \frac{\operatorname{Im} c}{\operatorname{Re} c}} \right) + \cot \frac{\theta_1}{2} \right\} \\ &= -\frac{n}{\operatorname{Re} c} \left(|c| \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1} + \operatorname{Im} c \right) < 0 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} F(\theta_2) &= \operatorname{Im} c - \frac{n}{2} \left\{ \left(\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1 \right) \left(\frac{\operatorname{Im} c}{\operatorname{Re} c} + \frac{|c|^2}{(\operatorname{Re} c)^2} \frac{1}{\cot \frac{\theta_2}{2} - \frac{\operatorname{Im} c}{\operatorname{Re} c}} \right) + \cot \frac{\theta_2}{2} \right\} \\ &= \frac{n}{\operatorname{Re} c} \left(|c| \sqrt{\frac{2\operatorname{Re} c}{n} + 1} - \operatorname{Im} c \right) > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we conclude that $R_{c,n}(z)$ maps \mathbb{U} onto the complex plane with the slits along the half-lines $\ell_{c,n}^+$ and $\ell_{c,n}^-$, where $\ell_{c,n}^+$ and $\ell_{c,n}^-$ are defined by (1.4) and (1.5) respectively.

This completes the proof of the assertions of Theorem 2.1. \square

EXAMPLE 2.2 Taking $n = 1$ and $c = 1 + i$, we have

$$R_{1+i,1}(z) = -1 + i - \frac{1}{1-z} + \frac{3}{1+iz} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

The function $R_{1+i,1}(z)$ maps \mathbb{U} onto the complex plane with the slits along the half-lines $\ell_{1+i,1}^+$ and $\ell_{1+i,1}^-$, where

$$\ell_{1+i,1}^+ = \left\{ w \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Re} w = 0 \text{ and } \operatorname{Im} w \geq \sqrt{6} - 1 \right\}$$

and

$$\ell_{1+i,1}^- = \left\{ w \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Re} w = 0 \text{ and } \operatorname{Im} w \leq -(\sqrt{6} + 1) \right\}.$$

REMARK 2.3 By Remark 1.4 and Theorem 2.1, we find that

$$R(0) = R_{c,n}(0) \quad \text{and} \quad R(\mathbb{U}) = R_{c,n}(\mathbb{U}),$$

where $R(z)$ and $R_{c,n}(z)$ are given in (1.10) and (2.2) respectively. Hence, the open door function $R(z)$ can be also defined in terms of the function $R_{c,n}(z)$.

Applying the new open door function $R_{c,n}(z)$ defined by (2.2) in Lemma 1.2, we obtain the simpler following version of the open door lemma as follows.

THEOREM 2.4 Let c be a complex number with $\operatorname{Re} c > 0$, and let $P(z) \in \mathcal{H}[c, n]$ satisfy

$$P(z) \prec -\bar{c} - \frac{n}{1-z} + \frac{2\operatorname{Re} c + n}{1 + \frac{c}{\bar{c}}z} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

If $p(z) \in \mathcal{H}[\frac{1}{c}, n]$ satisfies the differential equation (2.1), then

$$p(z) \prec \frac{\frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{\bar{c}}z}{1-z} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}),$$

which means that $\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0$ ($z \in \mathbb{U}$).

For two open door functions $R(z)$ and $R_{c,n}(z)$, it is difficult to find that

$$(2.5) \quad R(z) = R_{c,n}(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{U})$$

by the calculation, because $R(z)$ given in (1.10) is complicated. But, if we consider the special case $n = 1$ and $c = 4$, then since $b = \frac{1}{2}$ in the equality (1.12), we see that

$$R(z) = \frac{6\left(\frac{1}{2} - z\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}z\right)}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}z\right)^2 - \left(\frac{1}{2} - z\right)^2} = \frac{2(1-2z)(2-z)}{1-z^2} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

On the other hand, we find that

$$R_{4,1}(z) = -4 - \frac{1}{1-z} + \frac{9}{1+z} = \frac{2(1-2z)(2-z)}{1-z^2} \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Thus, we can observe the equality (2.5) for $n = 1$ and $c = 4$ from this calculation.

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