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# Radius of Convexity of Partial Sums of Odd Functions in the Close-to-Convex Family

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**Abstract.** We consider the class of all analytic and locally univalent functions f of the form  $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_{2n-1} z^{2n-1}$ , |z| < 1, satisfying the condition

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(1+\frac{zf^{\prime\prime}(z)}{f^{\prime}(z)}\right) > -\frac{1}{2}$$

We show that every section  $s_{2n-1}(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{n} a_{2k-1} z^{2k-1}$ , of f, is convex in the disk  $|z| < \sqrt{2}/3$ . We also prove that the radius  $\sqrt{2}/3$  is best possible, i.e. the number  $\sqrt{2}/3$  cannot be replaced by a larger one.

To the memory of Professor Lj. Ćirić (1935–2016)

#### 1. Introduction and Main Result

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  denote the class of all normalized analytic functions f in the open unit disk  $\mathbb{D} := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ , i.e. f has the Taylor series expansion

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

The Taylor polynomial  $s_n(z) = s_n(f)(z)$  of f in  $\mathcal{A}$ , defined by,

$$s_n(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^n a_k z^k$$

is called the *n*-th *section/partial sum* of f. Denote by S, the class of *univalent* functions in  $\mathcal{A}$ . A function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  is said to be *locally univalent* at a point  $z_0 \in D \subset \mathbb{C}$  if it is univalent in some neighborhood of  $z_0$ ; equivalently  $f'(z_0) \neq 0$ . A function  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  is called *convex* if  $f(\mathbb{D})$  is a convex domain. The set of all convex functions are denoted by C. The functions  $f \in C$  are characterized by the well-known fact

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(1+\frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) > 0, \quad |z| < 1.$$

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In this article, we mainly focus on a class, denoted by  $\mathcal{L}$ , of all locally univalent *odd* functions *f* satisfying

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(1+\frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) > -\frac{1}{2}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}.$$
(2)

Clearly, a function  $f \in \mathcal{L}$  will have the Taylor series expansion  $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_{2n-1} z^{2n-1}$ . The function  $f_0(z) = z/\sqrt{1-z^2}$  plays the role of an extremal function for  $\mathcal{L}$ ; see for instance [16, p. 68, Theorem 2.6i]. This article is devoted to finding the largest disk |z| < r in which every section  $s_{2n-1}(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{n} a_{2k-1} z^{2k-1}$ , of  $f \in \mathcal{L}$ , is convex; that is,  $s_{2n-1}$  satisfies

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(1 + \frac{zs_{2n-1}''(z)}{s_{2n-1}'(z)}\right) > 0.$$

Our main objective in this article is to prove

**Main Theorem.** Every section of a function in  $\mathcal{L}$  is convex in the disk  $|z| < \sqrt{2}/3$ . The radius  $\sqrt{2}/3$  cannot be replaced by a greater one.

This observation is also explained geometrically in Figure 1 by considering the third partial sum,  $s_{3,0}$ , of the extremal function  $f_0$ . We next discuss some motivational background of our problem.



Figure 1: The first figure shows convexity of the image domain  $s_{3,0}(z)$  for  $|z| < \sqrt{2}/3$  and the second figure shows non-convexity of the image domain  $s_{3,0}(z)$  for  $|z| < 2/3 =: r_0 (r_0 > \sqrt{2}/3)$ .

Considering odd univalent functions and studying classical problems of univalent function theory such as (successive) coefficient bounds, inverse functions, etc. are quite interesting and found throughout the literature; see for instance [8, 12, 15, 35]. In fact, an application of the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality shows that the conjecture of Robertson:  $1 + |c_3|^2 + |c_5|^2 + \cdots + |c_{2n-1}|^2 \le n$ ,  $n \ge 2$ , for each odd function  $f(z) = z + c_3 z^3 + c_5 z^5 + \cdots$  of S, stated in 1936 implies the well-known Bieberbach conjecture [25]; see also [3]. In our knowledge, studying radius properties for sections of odd univalent functions are new (as we do not find in the literature).

Note that a subclass denoted by  $\mathcal{F}$ , of the class,  $\mathcal{K}$ , of close-to-convex functions, consisting of all locally univalent functions  $f \in \mathcal{A}$  satisfying the condition (2) was considered in [22]. In this paper, we consider functions from  $\mathcal{F}$  that have odd Taylor coefficients. Note that the following inclusion relations hold:

$$\mathcal{L} \subsetneq \mathcal{F} \subsetneq \mathcal{K} \subsetneq \mathcal{S}.$$

The fact that functions in  $\mathcal{F}$  are close-to-convex may be obtained as a consequence of the result due to Kaplan (see [4, p. 48, Theorem 2.18]). In [22], Ponnusamy et. al. have shown that every section of a function in the class  $\mathcal{F}$  is convex in the disk |z| < 1/6 and the radius 1/6 is the best possible. They conjectured that every section of functions in the family  $\mathcal{F}$  is univalent and close-to-convex in the disk |z| < 1/3. This conjecture has been recently settled by Bharanedhar and Ponnusamy in [1, Theorem 1].

The problem of finding the radius of univalence of sections of f in S was first initiated by Szegö in 1928. According to the Szegö theorem [4, Section 8.2, p. 243-246], every section  $s_n(z)$  of a function  $f \in S$ is univalent in the disk |z| < 1/4; see [34] for the original paper. The radius 1/4 is best possible and can be verified from the second partial sum of the Koebe function  $k(z) = z/(1-z)^2$ . Determining the exact (largest) radius of univalence  $r_n$  of  $s_n(z)$  ( $f \in S$ ) remains an open problem. However, many other related problems on sections have been solved for various geometric subclasses of S, eg. the classes  $S^*$ , C and  $\mathcal{K}$  of starlike, convex and close-to-convex functions, respectively (see Duren [4, §8.2, p.241–246], [5, 26, 27, 32] and the survey articles [6, 24]). In [13], MacGregor considered the class

$$\mathcal{R} = \{ f \in \mathcal{A} : \operatorname{Re} f'(z) > 0, z \in \mathbb{D} \}$$

and proved that the partial sums  $s_n(z)$  of  $f \in \mathcal{R}$  are univalent in |z| < 1/2, where the radius 1/2 is best possible. On the other hand, in [30], Ram Singh obtained the best radius, r = 1/4, of convexity for sections of functions in the class  $\mathcal{R}$ . The reader can refer to [21] for related information. Radius of close-to-convexity of sections of close-to-convex functions is obtained in [14].

By the argument principle, it is clear that the *n*-th section  $s_n(z)$  of an arbitrary function in S is univalent in each fixed compact subdisk  $\overline{\mathbb{D}}_r := \{z \in \mathbb{D} : |z| \le r\}(r < 1)$  of  $\mathbb{D}$  provided that *n* is sufficiently large. In this way one can get univalent polynomials in S by setting  $p_n(z) = \frac{1}{r}s_n(rz)$ . Consequently, the set of all univalent polynomials is dense in the topology of locally uniformly convergence in S. The radius of starlikeness of the partial sums  $s_n(z)$  of  $f \in S^*$  was obtained by Robertson in [26]; (see also [31, Theorem 2]) in the following form:

**Theorem A.** [26] If  $f \in S$  is either starlike, convex, typically-real, or convex in the direction of imaginary axis, then there is an N such that, for  $n \ge N$ , the partial sum  $s_n(z)$  has the same property in  $\mathbb{D}_r := \{z \in \mathbb{D} : |z| < r\}$ , where  $r \ge 1 - 3(\log n)/n$ .

However, Ruscheweyh in [29] proved a stronger result by showing that the partial sums  $s_n(z)$  of f are indeed starlike in  $\mathbb{D}_{1/4}$  for functions f belonging not only to S but also to the closed convex hull of S. Robertson [26] further showed that sections of the Koebe function k(z) are univalent in the disk  $|z| < 1 - 3n^{-1} \log n$  for  $n \ge 5$ , and that the constant 3 cannot be replaced by a smaller constant. However, Bshouty and Hengartner [2] pointed out that the Koebe function is not extremal for the radius of univalency of the partial sums of  $f \in S$ . A well-known theorem by Ruscheweyh and Sheil-Small [28] on convolution allows us to conclude immediately that if f belongs to C,  $S^*$ , or  $\mathcal{K}$ , then its n-th section is respectively convex, starlike, or close-to-convex in the disk  $|z| < 1 - 3n^{-1} \log n$ , for  $n \ge 5$ . Silverman in [31] proved that the radius of starlikeness for sections of functions in the convex family C is  $(1/2n)^{1/n}$  for all n. We suggest readers refer to [22, 27, 32, 34] and recent articles [17–20] for further interest on this topic. It is worth recalling that radius properties of harmonic sections have recently been studied in [7, 9–11, 23].

#### 2. Preparatory Results

In this section we derive some useful results to prove our main theorem.

**Lemma 2.1.** If  $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_{2n-1} z^{2n-1} \in \mathcal{L}$ , then the following estimates are obtained:

(a)  $|a_{2n-1}| \leq \frac{(2n-2)!}{2^{2n-2}(n-1)!^2}$  for  $n \geq 2$ . The equality holds for

$$f_0(z) = \frac{z}{\sqrt{1-z^2}}$$

or its rotation.

**(b)**  $\left|\frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right| \leq \frac{3r^2}{1-r^2}$  for |z| = r < 1. The inequality is sharp.

(c)  $\frac{1}{(1+r^2)^{3/2}} \le |f'(z)| \le \frac{1}{(1-r^2)^{3/2}}$  for |z| = r < 1. The inequality is sharp.

(d) If  $f(z) = s_{2n-1}(z) + \sigma_{2n-1}(z)$ , with  $\sigma_{2n-1}(z) = \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_{2k-1} z^{2k-1}$ , then for |z| = r < 1 we have

$$|\sigma'_{2n-1}(z)| \le A(n,r)$$
 and  $|z\sigma''_{2n-1}(z)| \le B(n,r)$ ,

where

$$A(n,r) = \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \frac{(2k-1)!}{2^{2k-2}(k-1)!^2} r^{2k-2} \quad and \quad B(n,r) = \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \frac{(2k-2)(2k-1)!}{2^{2k-2}(k-1)!^2} r^{2k-2}.$$

The ratio test guarantees that both the series are convergent.

Proof. (a) Set

$$p(z) = 1 + \frac{2}{3} \left( \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right).$$
(3)

Clearly,  $p(z) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p_n z^n$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{D}$  and  $\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0$  there. So, by Carathéodory Lemma, we obtain that  $|p_n| \le 2$  for all  $n \ge 1$ . Putting the series expansions for f'(z), f''(z) and p(z) in (3) we get

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (2n-1)(2n-2)a_{2n-1}z^{2n-1} = \frac{3}{2} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} p_{2k-1}(2n-2k-1)a_{2n-2k-1} \right) z^{2n-2} + \frac{3}{2} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} p_{2k}(2n-2k-1)a_{2n-2k-1} \right) z^{2n-1}.$$

Equating the coefficients of  $z^{2n-1}$  and  $z^{2n-2}$  on both sides, we obtain

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} p_{2k-1}(2n-2k-1)a_{2n-2k-1} = 0$$

and

$$(2n-1)(2n-2)a_{2n-1} = \frac{3}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} p_{2k}(2n-2k-1)a_{2n-2k-1}, \quad \text{for all } n \ge 2.$$
(4)

Hence,

$$|a_{2n-1}| \le \frac{3}{(2n-1)(2n-2)} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} (2k-1)|a_{2k-1}|.$$
(5)

For n = 2, we can easily see that  $|a_3| \le 1/2$ , and for n = 3, we have

$$|a_5| \le \frac{3}{20}(1+3|a_3|) \le \frac{3}{8}.$$

Now, we can complete the proof by method of induction. Therefore, if we assume  $|a_{2k-1}| \le \frac{(2k-2)!}{2^{2k-2}(k-1)!^2}$  for k = 2, 3, ..., n-1, then we deduce from (5) that

$$|a_{2n-1}| \le \frac{3}{(2n-1)(2n-2)} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{(2k-1)!}{2^{2k-2}(k-1)!^2}$$

Induction principle tells us to show that

$$|a_{2n-1}| \le \frac{(2n-2)!}{2^{2n-2}(n-1)!^2}$$

It suffices to show that

$$\frac{3}{(2n-1)(2n-2)}\sum_{k=1}^{n-1}\frac{(2k-1)!}{2^{2k-2}(k-1)!^2} = \frac{(2n-2)!}{2^{2n-2}(n-1)!^2}$$

or,

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{3(2k-1)!}{2^{2k-2}(k-1)!^2} = \frac{(2n-2)(2n-1)!}{2^{2n-2}(n-1)!^2}.$$

Again, we prove this by method of induction. It can easily be seen that for k = 1 it is true. Assume that it is true for k = 2, 3, ..., n - 1, then we have to prove that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{3(2k-1)!}{2^{2k-2}(k-1)!^2} = \frac{(2n)(2n+1)!}{2^{2n}(n)!^2},$$

which is easy to see, since

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{3(2k-1)!}{2^{2k-2}(k-1)!^2} = \frac{(2n-2)(2n-1)!}{2^{2n-2}(n-1)!^2} + \frac{3(2n-1)!}{2^{2n-2}(n-1)!^2} = \frac{(2n)(2n+1)!}{2^{2n}(n)!^2}$$

Hence, the proof is complete. For equality, it can easily be seen that

$$f_0(z) = \frac{z}{\sqrt{1-z^2}} = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(2n-2)!}{2^{2n-2}(n-1)!^2} z^{2n-1}$$

belongs to  $\mathcal{L}$ .

The image of the unit disk  $\mathbb{D}$  under  $f_0$  is shown in Figure 2 which indicates that  $f_0(\mathbb{D})$  is not convex.



Figure 2: The image domain  $f_0(\mathbb{D})$ , where  $f_0(z) = \frac{z}{\sqrt{1-z^2}}$ .

(b) We see from the definition of  $\mathcal L$  that

$$1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} < \frac{1 + 2z^2}{1 - z^2}, \quad \text{i.e., } \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} < \frac{3z^2}{1 - z^2} =: h(z).$$

where  $\prec$  denotes the usual subordination. The poof of (b) now follows easily.

(c) Since

$$\frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} < h(z),$$

it follows by the well-known subordination result due to Suffridge [33] that

$$f'(z) < \exp\left(\int_0^z \frac{h(t)}{t} dt\right) = \exp\left(3\int_0^z \frac{t}{1-t^2} dt\right) = \frac{1}{(1-z^2)^{3/2}}.$$

Hence, the proof of (c) follows.

(d) By (*a*), we see that

$$|\sigma'_{2n-1}(z)| \le \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} (2k-1)|a_{2k-1}|r^{2k-2} \le A(n,r).$$

and

$$|z\sigma_{2n-1}''(z)| \le \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} (2k-1)(2k-2)|a_{2k-1}|r^{2k-2} \le B(n,r)$$

The proof of our lemma is complete.  $\Box$ 

## 3. Proof of the Main Theorem

For an arbitrary  $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_{2n-1} z^{2n-1} \in \mathcal{L}$ , we first consider its third section  $s_3(z) = z + a_3 z^3$  of f. Simple computation shows

$$1 + \frac{zs_3''(z)}{s_3'(z)} = 1 + \frac{6a_3z^2}{1+3a_3z^2}$$

By using Lemma 2.1(a), we have  $|a_3| \le 1/2$  and hence

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(1 + \frac{zs_{3}''(z)}{s_{3}'(z)}\right) \ge 1 - \frac{6|a_{3}||z|^{2}}{1 - 3|a_{3}||z|^{2}} \ge 1 - \frac{3|z|^{2}}{1 - \frac{3}{2}|z|^{2}}$$

which is positive for  $|z| < \sqrt{2}/3$ . Thus,  $s_3(z)$  is convex in the disk  $|z| < \sqrt{2}/3$ . To show that the constant  $\sqrt{2}/3$  is best possible, we consider the function  $f_0(z)$  defined by

$$f_0(z) = \frac{z}{\sqrt{1-z^2}}.$$

We denote by  $s_{3,0}(z)$ , the third partial sum  $s_3(f_0)(z)$  of  $f_0(z)$  so that  $s_{3,0}(z) = z + (1/2)z^3$  and hence, we find

$$1 + \frac{zs_{3,0}''(z)}{s_{3,0}'(z)} = \frac{2+9z^2}{2+3z^2}$$

This shows that

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(1 + \frac{zs_{3,0}''(z)}{s_{3,0}'(z)}\right) = 0$$

when  $z^2 = (-2/9)$  or (-2/3) i.e., when  $|z|^2 = (2/9)$  or (2/3). Hence, the equality occurs.

Next, let us consider the case n = 3. Our aim in this case is to show that

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(1 + \frac{zs_{5}''(z)}{s_{5}'(z)}\right) = \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1 + 9a_{3}z^{2} + 25a_{5}z^{4}}{1 + 3a_{3}z^{2} + 5a_{5}z^{4}}\right) > 0$$

for  $|z| < \sqrt{2}/3$ . Since the real part Re  $[(1 + 9a_3z^2 + 25a_5z^4)/(1 + 3a_3z^2 + 5a_5z^4)]$  is harmonic in  $|z| \le \sqrt{2}/3$ , it suffices to check that

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1+9a_3z^2+25a_5z^4}{1+3a_3z^2+5a_5z^4}\right) > 0$$

for  $|z| = \sqrt{2}/3$ . Also we see that

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1+9a_{3}z^{2}+25a_{5}z^{4}}{1+3a_{3}z^{2}+5a_{5}z^{4}}\right) = 3 - \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{2-10a_{5}z^{4}}{1+3a_{3}z^{2}+5a_{5}z^{4}}\right) \ge 3 - \left|\frac{2-10a_{5}z^{4}}{1+3a_{3}z^{2}+5a_{5}z^{4}}\right|$$

and, so by considering a suitable rotation of f(z), the proof reduces to  $z = \sqrt{2}/3$ ; this means that it is enough to prove

$$\frac{3}{2} > \left| \frac{81 - 20a_5}{81 + 54a_3 + 20a_5} \right|.$$

From (4), we have

$$a_3 = \frac{p_2}{4}$$
 and  $a_5 = \left(\frac{3}{40}\right) \left(\frac{3}{4}p_2^2 + p_4\right).$ 

Since  $|p_2| \le 2$  and  $|p_4| \le 2$ , it is convenient to rewrite the last two relations as

$$a_3 = \frac{\alpha}{2}$$
 and  $a_5 = \frac{3}{40}(3\alpha^2 + 2\beta)$ 

for some  $|\alpha| \le 1$  and  $|\beta| \le 1$ .

Substituting the values for  $a_3$  and  $a_5$ , and applying the maximum principle in the last inequality, it suffices to show the inequality

$$\frac{3}{2}\left|81+27\alpha+\frac{9\alpha^2}{2}+3\beta\right| > \left|81-\frac{9\alpha^2}{2}-3\beta\right|$$

for  $|\alpha| = 1 = |\beta|$ . Finally, by the triangle inequality, the last inequality follows if we can show that

$$9\left|9 + 3\alpha + \frac{\alpha^2}{2}\right| - 6\left|9 - \frac{\alpha^2}{2}\right| > 5$$

which is easily seen to be equivalent to

$$9\left|9\overline{\alpha}+3+\frac{\alpha}{2}\right|-6\left|9\overline{\alpha}-\frac{\alpha}{2}\right|>5$$

as  $|\alpha| = 1$ . Write Re ( $\alpha$ ) = x. It remains to show that

$$T(x) := 9\sqrt{18x^2 + 57x + \frac{325}{4}} - 6\sqrt{\frac{361}{4} - 18x^2} > 5$$

for  $-1 \le x \le 1$ .



Figure 3: Graph of T(x).

It suffices to show

$$9\sqrt{18x^2 + 57x + \frac{325}{4}} > 5 + 6\sqrt{\frac{361}{4} - 18x^2}$$

Squaring both sides we have

$$2106x^2 + 4617x + \frac{13229}{4} > 60\left(\sqrt{\frac{361}{4} - 18x^2}\right)$$

Again by squaring both sides we have

$$\left(2106x^2 + 4617x + \frac{13229}{4}\right)^2 > 3600\left(\frac{361}{4} - 18x^2\right).$$

After computing, it remains to show that  $\phi(x) > 0$ , where

$$\phi(x) = ax^4 + bx^3 + cx^2 + dx + e$$

and the coefficients are

$$a = 4435236, b = 19446804, c = 35311626, d = 30539146.5, e = 10613002.5625.$$

Here we see that  $\phi^{iv}(x) = 24a > 0$ . Thus the function  $\phi'''(x)$  is increasing in  $-1 \le x \le 1$  and hence  $\phi'''(x) \ge \phi''(-1) = 10235160 > 0$ . This implies  $\phi''(x)$  is increasing. Hence  $\phi''(x) \ge \phi''(-1) = 7165260 > 0$ . Consequently,  $\phi'(x)$  is increasing and we have  $\phi'(x) \ge \phi'(-1) = 515362.5 > 0$ . Finally we get,  $\phi(x)$  is increasing and hence we have  $\phi(x) > \phi(-1) = 373914.0625 > 0$ . This completes the proof for n = 3.

We next consider the general case  $n \ge 4$ . It suffices to show that

Re 
$$\left(1 + \frac{zs''_{2n-1}}{s'_{2n-1}}\right) > 0$$
 for  $|z| = r$ 

with  $r = \sqrt{2}/3$  for all  $n \ge 4$ . From the maximum modulus principle, we shall then conclude that the last inequality holds for all  $n \ge 4$ 

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(1 + \frac{zs_{2n-1}^{\prime\prime}}{s_{2n-1}^{\prime}}\right) > 0$$

for  $|z| < \sqrt{2}/3$ . In other words, it remains to find the largest *r* so that the last inequality holds for all  $n \ge 4$ . By the same setting of f(z) as in Lemma 2.1(d), it follows easily that

$$1 + \frac{zs_{2n-1}''}{s_{2n-1}'} = 1 + \frac{z(f''(z) - \sigma_{2n-1}''(z))}{f'(z) - \sigma_{2n-1}'(z)} = 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + \frac{\frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\sigma_{2n-1}'(z) - z\sigma_{2n-1}''(z)}{f'(z) - \sigma_{2n-1}'(z)}$$

or,

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(1+\frac{zs_{2n-1}''}{s_{2n-1}'}\right) \ge 1-\left|\frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right| - \frac{\left|\frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right|\left|\sigma_{2n-1}'(z)\right|+\left|z\sigma_{2n-1}''(z)\right|}{\left|f'(z)\right|-\left|\sigma_{2n-1}'(z)\right|}.$$

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Then by using Lemma 2.1, we obtain

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(1+\frac{zs_{2n-1}''}{s_{2n-1}'}\right) \ge 1-\frac{3r^2}{1-r^2} - \frac{\left(\frac{3r^2}{1-r^2}\right)A(n,r) + B(n,r)}{\frac{1}{(1+r^2)^{(3/2)}} - A(n,r)}$$

Thus, we conclude that

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(1+\frac{zs_{2n-1}^{\prime\prime}}{s_{2n-1}^{\prime}}\right) > 0$$

provided

$$\frac{1-4r^2}{1-r^2} - \frac{(1+r^2)^{3/2}}{1-r^2} \left( \frac{3r^2 A(n,r) + (1-r^2)B(n,r)}{1-(1+r^2)^{3/2}A(n,r)} \right) > 0,$$

or, equivalently

$$(1+r^2)^{3/2}\left(\frac{3r^2A(n,r)+(1-r^2)B(n,r)}{1-(1+r^2)^{3/2}A(n,r)}\right)<1-4r^2.$$

We show that the above relation holds for all  $n \ge 4$  with  $r = \sqrt{2}/3$ . The choice  $r = \sqrt{2}/3$  brings the last inequality to the form

$$\left(\frac{11}{9}\right)^{3/2} \left(\frac{\frac{2}{3}A(n,\frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}) + \frac{7}{9}B(n,\frac{\sqrt{2}}{3})}{1 - (\frac{11}{9})^{3/2}A(n,\frac{\sqrt{2}}{3})}\right) < \frac{1}{9}.$$

Set

$$C\left(n, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}\right) := 1 - \left(\frac{11}{9}\right)^{3/2} A\left(n, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}\right).$$

We shall prove that  $C\left(n, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}\right) > 0$  for  $n \ge 4$  i.e.,

$$A\left(n, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}\right) < \frac{27}{(11)^{3/2}}$$

and

$$A\left(n, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}\right) + B\left(n, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}\right) < \frac{27}{7 \times (11)^{3/2}} \quad \text{for } n \ge 4.$$

If the last inequality is proved, then automatically the previous one follows. Hence, it is enough to prove

the last inequality. Now,

$$\begin{split} A(n,r) + B(n,r) &= \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \frac{(2k-1)(2k-1)!}{2^{2k-2}(k-1)!^2} (r^2)^{k-1} \\ &\leq \sum_{k=5}^{\infty} \frac{(2k-1)(2k-1)!}{2^{2k-2}(k-1)!^2} (r^2)^{k-1} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2k-1)(2k-1)!}{2^{2k-2}(k-1)!^2} (r^2)^{k-1} - \sum_{k=1}^{4} \frac{(2k-1)(2k-1)!}{2^{2k-2}(k-1)!^2} (r^2)^{k-1} \\ &= \frac{1+2r^2}{(1-r^2)^{5/2}} - \left(1+\frac{9}{2}r^2+\frac{75}{8}r^4+\frac{245}{16}r^6\right). \end{split}$$

Substituting the value  $r = \sqrt{2}/3$ , we obtain

$$A\left(n, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}\right) + B\left(n, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}\right) \le 0.076 \dots < 0.105 \dots = \frac{27}{7 \times (11)^{3/2}}.$$

This completes the proof of our main theorem.

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