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Parallel accessible domains and domains that are convex in some direction. (English)

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Let D denote the unit disk. A domain F is convex in the direction ζ ($\zeta \in \partial D$) if for all $z \in F$ and $w = z + u\zeta \in F$ (u real) the segment

$$s(z, w) = \{ tz + (1 - t)w \mid 0 \le t \le 1 \}$$

is in F. A domain F is convex in some direction if there is some $\zeta \in \partial D$ such that F is convex in the direction ζ . A domain F is parallel accessible if there is some direction $\zeta \in \partial D$ such that the complement of F is the union $C \setminus F = \bigcup_{t \in T} \gamma_t \cup \bigcup_{u \in U} \ell_u$, where the γ_t are rays having direction ζ or $-\zeta$, the ℓ_u are lines with direction ζ , and T and U are appropriate parameter sets. The author proves that a domain is convex in some direction if and only if it is parallel accessible.

Let P denote the set of functions p that are analytic in D, normalized by the condition p(0) = 1, and for which there is some real number α such that $R(e^{i\alpha}p(z)) > 0$. The author finds analytic representations for several classes of functions. For example, if f is univalent in D with f'(0) = 1, then f(D) is parallel accessible if and only if there is a representation of the form (1-xz)(1-yz)f' = p for some $x, y \in \partial D$ and some $p \in \tilde{P}$.

Finally, the author introduces parallel accessible domains of order β , whose complement consists of sectors of angle $(1 - \beta)\pi$ and with bisector γ_t . A representation is then derived for normalized univalent functions for which f(D) is strongly and weakly accessible of order β .

Most results have been known, but the proof here is different. The method used was developed by the author in an earlier paper [Complex Variables, Theory Appl. 11, No. 3/4, 269-279 (1989; Zbl. 679.30007)].

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