

ON A NEW CLASS OF ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS  
WITH NEGATIVE COEFFICIENTS

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1. Introduction

Let  $A$  denote the class of functions of the form

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k$$

which are analytic in the unit disk  $U = \{z: |z| < 1\}$ .

We consider some subclasses of the class  $A$ . Let  $S$  denote the subclass of  $A$  whose functions are univalent in  $U$ . A function  $f(z)$  belonging to the class  $A$  is said to be starlike of order  $\alpha$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ) if it satisfies the inequality

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} > \alpha \quad (z \in U)$$

for  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ . We denote by  $S^*(\alpha)$  the subclass of  $A$ , consisting of all starlike functions of order  $\alpha$  in  $U$ . On the other hand, a function belonging to the class  $A$  is said to be convex of order  $\alpha$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ) if it satisfies the inequality

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} > \alpha \quad (z \in U)$$

for  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ . We denote by  $K(\alpha)$  the subclass of  $A$  consisting of such functions. It is well known that  $K(\alpha) \subset S^*(\alpha) \subset S$ . These classes were introduced by Robertson [13] in 1936, and studied subsequently by Schild [15], MacGregor [5], Pinchuk [12] and Jack [3].

Let  $T$  denote the subclass of  $A$  of the form

$$(1.1) \quad f(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k$$

where  $a_k$  are non-negative real numbers for all  $k$ . In 1975, Silverman [18] introduced the classes  $T^*(\alpha) = T \cap S^*(\alpha)$  and  $C(\alpha) = T \cap K(\alpha)$  for some  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ , and proved the following lemmas.

**Lemma A.** A function  $f(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k$  is in  $T^*(\alpha)$

if and only if  $\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (k - \alpha) a_k \leq 1 - \alpha$ .

**Lemma B.** A function  $f(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k$  is in  $C(\alpha)$

if and only if  $\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k (k - \alpha) a_k \leq 1 - \alpha$ .

Several other subclasses of  $T$  were studied by Sarangi and Uralegaddi [14], Owa [6,7,8,9,10,11], Gupta and Jain [1,2] and Jain and Ahuja [4].

In 1986, Sekine and Owa [17] introduced new subclasses  $T^*(\alpha, p_k)$  and  $C(\alpha, p_k)$  of  $T^*(\alpha)$  and  $C(\alpha)$ , respectively. They defined the subclass of  $T^*(\alpha)$  consisting of functions of the form

$$f(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{1-\alpha}{k-\alpha} p_k z^k - \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_k z^k \quad (a_k \geq 0),$$

where  $0 \leq p_k \leq 1$  and  $0 \leq \sum_{k=2}^n p_k \leq 1$ , and denoted it by  $T^*(\alpha, P_K)$ .

They also defined the subclass of  $C(\alpha)$  consisting of functions of the form

$$f(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{p_k(1-\alpha)}{k(k-\alpha)} z^k - \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_k z^k \quad (a_k \geq 0),$$

where  $0 \leq p_k \leq 1$  and  $0 \leq \sum_{k=2}^n p_k \leq 1$ , and denoted it by  $C(\alpha, P_K)$ .

In 1981, the classes  $T^*(\alpha, p_2)$  and  $C(\alpha, p_2)$  for  $k=2$  were introduced by Silverman and Silvia [19].

In 1987, Sekine [16] introduced a new generalized subclass of  $T$  as follows. Let  $\{B_k\}$  denote a sequence of positive real numbers, i.e.

$$(1.2) \quad B_k > 0 \quad (k = 2, 3, \dots).$$

Let  $T(\{B_k\})$  denote the subclass of  $T$  satisfying the coefficient relation

$$(1.3) \quad \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} B_k a_k \leq 1.$$

All functions belonging to the class  $T(\{B_k\})$  satisfy the coefficient relation

$$(1.4) \quad 0 \leq a_k \leq \frac{1}{B_k} \quad (k \geq 2).$$

The classes  $T^*(\alpha)$  and  $C(\alpha)$  become to special cases of Sekine's new class. Sekine [16] showed many relations among the new class and

various subclasses of  $T$ .

I'd like to introduce a new subclass of  $T(\{B_k\})$  by using the inequality (1.4). For a finite sequence  $\{p_k\}_{k=2}^n$  of real numbers satisfying the condition

$$(1.5) \quad 0 \leq p_k \leq 1 \quad (k = 2, 3, \dots, n), \quad 0 \leq \sum_{k=2}^n p_k \leq 1,$$

we define by  $T(\{B_k\}, \{p_k\}_2^n)$  the subclass of  $T(\{B_k\})$  consisting of functions  $f(z)$  of the form :

$$f(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{p_k}{B_k} z^k - \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_k z^k.$$

## 2. Fundamental results

**THEOREM 1.** *Let a function  $f$  be in the class  $T(\{B_k\})$ . Then  $f \in T(\{B_k\}, \{p_k\}_2^n)$  if and only if*

$$(2.1) \quad \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} B_k a_k \leq 1 - \sum_{k=2}^n p_k.$$

The result (2.1) is sharp.

**Proof.** Since  $f \in T(\{B_k\})$ , the function  $f$  has the form (1.1) and the relation (1.3) holds for  $a_k$  and  $B_k$ . We put

$$a_k = \frac{p_k}{B_k} \quad (k = 2, \dots, n), \text{ then}$$

$$f \in T(\{B_k\}, \{p_k\}_2^n) \quad \text{if and only if} \quad \sum_{k=2}^n B_k \times \frac{p_k}{B_k} + \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} B_k a_k \leq 1$$

This shows the result (2.1). The function  $f(z)$  of the form

$$f(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{p_k}{B_k} z^k - \frac{1 - \sum_{k=2}^n p_k}{B_{N+1}} z^N$$

for  $N \geq n + 1$  shows that the result (2.1) is sharp.

The following corollary is a kind of coefficient estimates for  $f$ .

**COROLLARY 1.** *Let a function  $f$  be in the class  $T(\{B_k\}, \{p_k\}_2^n)$ . Then,*

$$(2.2) \quad 0 \leq a_k \leq \frac{1 - \sum_{j=2}^n p_j}{B_k} \quad (k \geq n + 1).$$

The result (2.2) is sharp.

The following theorem shows an inclusion relation.

**THEOREM 2.** *Let sequences  $\{B_k\}_2^\infty$  and  $\{p_k\}_2^n$  satisfy (1.2) and (1.5), respectively. Then we have*

$$T(\{B_k\}, \{p_k\}_2^n) \subset T(\{B_k d_k\}, \{p_k d_k\}_2^m)$$

for positive integers  $m$  and  $n$  and a sequence  $\{d_k\}_2^n$  such that  $2 \leq m \leq n$  and  $0 < d_k \leq 1$ .

We can obtain the proof of Theorem 2 by using the following two lemmas.

**LEMMA 1.** *Under the same hypotheses as in Theorem 2, we have*

$$T(\{B_k\}, \{p_k\}_2^n) \subset T(\{B_k\}, \{p_k\}_2^m)$$

for positive integers  $m$  and  $n$  such that  $2 \leq m \leq n$ .

**LEMMA 2.** *Under the same hypotheses as in Theorem 2, we have*

$$T(\{B_k\}, \{p_k\}_2^n) \subset T(\{B_k d_k\}, \{p_k d_k\}_2^n)$$

for a sequence  $\{d_k\}_2^n$  such that  $0 < d_k \leq 1$ .

**Proof.** Let  $f$  denote an element of  $T(\{B_k\}, \{p_k\}_2^n)$ . Then we obtain the form

$$f(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{p_k d_k}{B_k d_k} z^k - \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_k z^k$$

and the relation (2.1). The hypotheses  $0 < d_k \leq 1$ ,  $B_k > 0$  and  $a_k \geq 0$  show

$$(2.3) \quad 0 \leq p_k d_k \leq 1 \quad (k = 2, 3, \dots, n), \quad 0 \leq \sum_{k=2}^n p_k d_k \leq 1$$

and

$$0 < \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} B_k d_k a_k \leq \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} B_k a_k \leq 1 - \sum_{k=2}^n p_k \leq 1 - \sum_{k=2}^n p_k d_k,$$

which prove  $f \in T(\{B_k d_k\}, \{p_k d_k\}_2^n)$ .

Theorem 2' is an analogous result as Theorem 2.

**THEOREM 2'.** Let sequences  $\{B_k\}_2^{\infty}$ ,  $\{p_k\}_2^n$  and  $\{d_k\}_2^n$  satisfy (1.2), (2.3) and  $d_k \geq 1$ . Then we have

$$T(\{B_k d_k\}, \{p_k d_k\}_2^n) \subset T(\{B_k\}, \{p_k\}_2^m)$$

for positive integers  $m$  and  $n$  such that  $2 \leq m \leq n$ .

### 3. Convexity of the class $T(\{B_k\}, \{p_k\}_2^n)$

**THEOREM 3.** Let a sequence  $\{n_j\}_1^m$  consist of integers larger

than 1 and  $n$  denote the minimum of the numbers  $n_1, \dots, n_m$ . Let each function

$$(3.1) \quad f_j(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^{n_j} \frac{p_k^{(j)}}{B_k} z^k - \sum_{k=n_j+1}^{\infty} a_k^{(j)} z^k \quad (a_k^{(j)} \geq 0)$$

be in each class  $T(\{B_k\}, \{p_k^{(j)}\}_2^{n_j})$  for each  $j = 1, \dots, m$ . Then the function  $F(z)$  defined by

$$(3.2) \quad F(z) = \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j f_j(z),$$

where  $\lambda_j \geq 0$ ,  $\sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j = 1$ , is in the class  $T(\{B_k\}, \{\sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j p_k^{(j)}\}_2^n)$ .

**Proof.** By (3.1) and Theorem 1, we have inequalities

$$(3.3) \quad \sum_{k=n_j+1}^{\infty} B_k a_k^{(j)} \leq 1 - \sum_{k=2}^{n_j} p_k^{(j)} \quad (j = 1, \dots, m)$$

An easy calculation shows from (3.1) and (3.2) that

$$F(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{\sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j p_k^{(j)}}{B_k} z^k - \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j a_k^{(j)} \right) z^k,$$

where  $a_k^{(j)} = \frac{p_k^{(j)}}{B_k}$  for  $k = n+1, n+2, \dots, n_j$ .

By (3.3) and the definition of  $T(\{B_k\}, \{p_k^{(j)}\}_2^{n_j})$ , we observe that

$$0 \leq \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j a_k^{(j)}$$

$$0 \leq \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j p_k^{(j)} \leq \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j = 1,$$

$$0 \leq \sum_{k=2}^n \left( \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j p_k^{(j)} \right) \leq \sum_{j=1}^m \left( \lambda_j \sum_{k=2}^{n_j} p_k^{(j)} \right) \leq \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j = 1,$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \left( B_k \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j a_k^{(j)} \right) &= \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j \left( \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} B_k a_k^{(j)} \right) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j \left( \sum_{k=n+1}^{n_j} p_k^{(j)} + \sum_{k=n_j+1}^{\infty} B_k a_k^{(j)} \right) \\ &\leq \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j \left( \sum_{k=n+1}^{n_j} p_k^{(j)} + 1 - \sum_{k=2}^{n_j} p_k^{(j)} \right) \\ &= 1 - \sum_{k=2}^n \left( \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j p_k^{(j)} \right), \end{aligned}$$

which prove  $F \in T(\{B_k\}, \{\sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j p_k^{(j)}\}_2^n)$  with the aid of Theorem 1.

Immediately, the following corollaries are obtained by Theorem 3.

**COROLLARY 2.** Let functions  $f$  and  $g$  be in the class  $T(\{B_k\}, \{p_k\}_2^n)$  and  $T(\{B_k\}, \{p_k\}_2^{n'})$ , respectively. Then we have

$$\lambda f + \lambda' g \in T(\{B_k\}, \{\lambda p_k + \lambda' p_k\}_2^n)$$

where  $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$ ,  $0 \leq \lambda' \leq 1$ ,  $\lambda + \lambda' = 1$  and  $n \leq n'$ .

The next corollary shows convexity of the class  $T(\{B_k\}, \{p_k\}_2^n)$ .

**COROLLARY 3.** If  $f$  and  $g$  are functions in the class  $T(\{B_k\}, \{p_k\}_2^n)$  and  $\lambda$  is a real number such that  $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$ , then the function  $\lambda f + (1 - \lambda)g$  is also in the class  $T(\{B_k\}, \{p_k\}_2^n)$ .

We like to obtain a generalization of Corollary 2.

**THEOREM 4.** Let  $f$  and  $g$  be functions in the class



$T(\{B_k\}, \{p_k\}_2^n)$  and  $T(\{B'_k\}, \{p'_k\}_2^{n'})$ , respectively. Then the function  $\lambda'f + \lambda''g$ , where  $0 \leq \lambda' \leq 1$ ,  $0 \leq \lambda'' \leq 1$  and  $\lambda' + \lambda'' = 1$ , is in the class

$$T\left(\left\{\frac{B'_k B''_k}{B_k}\right\}, \left\{\frac{B'_k p'_k \lambda' + B''_k p''_k \lambda''}{B_k}\right\}_2^n\right),$$

where  $B_k = \max\{B'_k, B''_k\}$  and  $n = \min\{n', n''\}$ .

**Proof.** We may consider the case of  $n' = n'' = n$ , by virtue of Lemma 1. We can put, with the definitions of  $f$  and  $g$  and aid of Theorem 1,

$$f(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{p'_k}{B'_k} z^k - \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a'_k z^k$$

and

$$g(z) = z - \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{p''_k}{B''_k} z^k - \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a''_k z^k,$$

where

$$(3.4) \quad \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} B'_k a'_k \leq 1 - \sum_{k=2}^n p'_k, \quad \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} B''_k a''_k \leq 1 - \sum_{k=2}^n p''_k.$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \lambda' f(z) + \lambda'' g(z) \\ &= z - \sum_{k=2}^n \left( \frac{p'_k}{B'_k} \lambda' + \frac{p''_k}{B''_k} \lambda'' \right) z^k - \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \left( \lambda' a'_k + \lambda'' a''_k \right) z^k \\ &= z - \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{q_k}{c_k} z^k - \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} b_k z^k, \end{aligned}$$

where  $c_k = \frac{B'_k B''_k}{B_k}$ ,  $b_k = \lambda' a'_k + \lambda'' a''_k$  and  $q_k = \frac{B'_k p'_k \lambda' + B''_k p''_k \lambda''}{B_k}$ .

Since, by (3.4) and a simple calculation,

$$0 \leq a_k \leq p_k \lambda' + p_k' \lambda'' \leq \lambda' + \lambda'' = 1,$$

$$0 \leq \sum_{k=2}^n a_k \leq \lambda' \sum_{k=2}^n p_k + \lambda'' \sum_{k=2}^n p_k' \leq \lambda' + \lambda'' = 1$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} c_k b_k &\leq \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} (B_k \lambda' a_k + B_k' \lambda'' a_k') \\ &\leq \lambda' \left( 1 - \sum_{k=2}^n p_k \right) + \lambda'' \left( 1 - \sum_{k=2}^n p_k' \right) \\ &= 1 - \sum_{k=2}^n (\lambda' p_k + \lambda'' p_k') \leq 1 - \sum_{k=2}^n a_k, \end{aligned}$$

we obtain that

$$\lambda' f + \lambda'' g \in T(\{c_k\}, \{a_k\}_2^n)$$

with virtue of Theorem 1.

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