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A Class of Analytic Functions with Missing Coefficients

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Let $T_n(A, B, \gamma, \alpha)$ $(-1 \le B < 1, B < A, 0 < \gamma \le 1$ and $\alpha > 0$) denote the class of functions of the form $f(z) = z + \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_k z^k$ $(n \in N = \{1, 2, 3, \ldots\})$, which are analytic in the open unit disk U and satisfy the following subordination condition $f'(z) + \alpha z f''(z) < ((1 + Az)/(1 + Bz))^{\gamma}$, for $(z \in U; A \le 1; 0 < \gamma < 1), (1 + Az)/(1 + Bz)$, for $(z \in U; \gamma = 1)$. We obtain sharp bounds on $\operatorname{Re} f'(z), \operatorname{Re} f(z)/z, |f(z)|$, and coefficient estimates for functions f(z) belonging to the class $T_n(A, B, \gamma, \alpha)$. Conditions for univalency and starlikeness, convolution properties, and the radius of convexity are also considered.

1. Introduction

Let A_n denote the class of functions of the form

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_k z^k \quad (n \in N = \{1, 2, 3, \ldots\}),$$
(1.1)

which are analytic in the open unit disk $U = \{z : z \in C \text{ and } |z| < 1\}$. Let S_n and S_n^* denote the subclasses of A_n whose members are univalent and starlike, respectively.

For functions f(z) and g(z) analytic in U, we say that f(z) is subordinate to g(z) in Uand we write $f(z) \prec g(z)$ ($z \in U$), if there exists an analytic function w(z) in U such that

$$|w(z)| \le |z|, \qquad f(z) = g(w(z)) \quad (z \in U).$$
 (1.2)

Furthermore, if the function g(z) is univalent in U, then

$$f(z) \prec g(z) \quad (z \in U) \Longleftrightarrow f(0) = g(0), \quad f(U) \subset g(U).$$
(1.3)

Throughout our present discussion, we assume that

$$n \in N, -1 \le B < 1, B < A, \alpha > 0, \beta < 1, 0 < \gamma \le 1.$$
 (1.4)

We introduce the following subclass of A_n .

Definition 1.1. A function $f(z) \in A_n$ is said to be in the class $T_n(A, B, \gamma, \alpha)$ if it satisfies

$$f'(z) + \alpha z f''(z) \prec h(z) \quad (z \in U), \tag{1.5}$$

where

$$h(z) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}\right)^{\gamma}, & (A \le 1; 0 < \gamma < 1), \\ \frac{1+Az}{1+Bz}, & (\gamma = 1). \end{cases}$$
(1.6)

The classes

$$T_1(1-2\beta,-1,1,1) = R(\beta) \quad (\beta = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \beta < 1), \qquad T_1(A,0,1,\alpha) = \tilde{R}(\alpha,A) \quad (A > 0)$$
(1.7)

have been studied by several authors (see [1-5]). Recently, Gao and Zhou [6] showed some mapping properties of the following subclass of A_1 :

$$R(\beta, \alpha) = \{ f(z) \in A_1 : \operatorname{Re} \{ f'(z) + \alpha z f''(z) \} > \beta \ (z \in U) \}.$$
(1.8)

Note that

$$R(\beta, 1) = R(\beta), \qquad T_1(1 - 2\beta, -1, 1, \alpha) = R(\beta, \alpha).$$
 (1.9)

For further information of the above classes (with $\gamma = 1$) and related analytic function classes, see Srivastava et al. [7], Yang and Liu [8], Kim [9], and Kim and Srivastava [10].

In this paper, we obtain sharp bounds on Re f'(z), Re(f(z)/z), |f(z)|, and coefficient estimates for functions f(z) belonging to the class $T_n(A, B, \gamma, \alpha)$. Conditions for univalency and starlikeness, convolution properties, and the radius of convexity are also presented. One can see that the methods used in [6] do not work for the more general class $T_n(A, B, \gamma, \alpha)$ than $R(\beta, \alpha)$.

2. The bounds on $\operatorname{Re} f'(z)$, $\operatorname{Re}(f(z)/z)$, and |f(z)| in $T_n(A, B, \gamma, \alpha)$

In this section, we let

$$\lambda_m(A, B, \gamma) = \begin{cases} \sum_{j=0}^m {\gamma \choose j} {-\gamma \choose m-j} A^j B^{m-j}, & (A \le 1; 0 < \gamma < 1), \\ (A-B)(-B)^{m-1}, & (\gamma = 1), \end{cases}$$
(2.1)

where $m \in N$ and

$$\binom{\gamma}{j} = \begin{cases} \frac{\gamma(\gamma-1)\cdots(\gamma-j+1)}{j!}, & (j=1,2,\dots,m), \\ 1, & (j=0). \end{cases}$$
(2.2)

With (2.1), it is easily seen that the function h(z) given by (1.6) can be expressed as

$$h(z) = 1 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \lambda_m (A, B, \gamma) z^m \quad (z \in U).$$
(2.3)

Theorem 2.1. Let $f(z) \in T_n(A, B, \gamma, \alpha)$. Then, for |z| = r < 1,

$$\operatorname{Re} f'(z) \geq 1 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^m \lambda_m(A, B, \gamma)}{\alpha nm + 1} r^{nm},$$

$$\operatorname{Re} f'(z) \leq 1 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_m(A, B, \gamma)}{\alpha nm + 1} r^{nm}.$$
(2.4)

The bounds in (2.4) *are sharp for the function* $f_n(z)$ *defined by*

$$f_n(z) = z + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_m(A, B, \gamma)}{(nm+1)(\alpha nm+1)} z^{nm+1} \quad (z \in U).$$
(2.5)

Proof. The analytic function h(z) given by (1.6) is convex (univalent) in U (cf. [11]) and satisfies $h(\overline{z}) = \overline{h(z)}$ ($z \in U$). Thus, for $|\zeta| \le \sigma(\zeta \in C \text{ and } \sigma < 1)$,

$$h(-\sigma) \le \operatorname{Re} h(\zeta) \le h(\sigma).$$
 (2.6)

Let $f(z) \in T_n(A, B, \gamma, \alpha)$. Then, we can write

$$f'(z) + \alpha z f''(z) = h(w(z)) \quad (z \in U),$$
(2.7)

where $w(z) = w_n z^n + w_{n+1} z^{n+1} + \cdots$ is analytic and |w(z)| < 1 for $z \in U$. By the Schwarz lemma, we know that $|w(z)| \le |z|^n$ ($z \in U$). It follows from (2.7) that

$$(z^{1/\alpha}f'(z))' = \frac{1}{\alpha}z^{(1/\alpha)-1}h(w(z)),$$
 (2.8)

which leads to

$$f'(z) = \frac{1}{\alpha} z^{-1/\alpha} \int_0^z \zeta^{(1/\alpha) - 1} h(w(\zeta)) d\zeta$$
(2.9)

or to

$$f'(z) = \frac{1}{\alpha} \int_0^1 t^{(1/\alpha)-1} h(w(tz)) dt \quad (z \in U).$$
(2.10)

Since

$$|w(tz)| \le (tr)^n \quad (|z| = r < 1; \ 0 \le t \le 1), \tag{2.11}$$

we deduce from (2.6) and (2.10) that

$$\frac{1}{\alpha} \int_0^1 t^{(1/\alpha)-1} h(-(tr)^n) dt \le \operatorname{Re} f'(z) \le \frac{1}{\alpha} \int_0^1 t^{(1/\alpha)-1} h((tr)^n) dt.$$
(2.12)

Now, by using (2.3) and (2.12), we can obtain (2.4).

Furthermore, for the function $f_n(z)$ defined by (2.5), we find that

$$f'_{n}(z) = 1 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_{m}(A, B, \gamma)}{\alpha nm + 1} z^{nm},$$
(2.13)

$$f'_{n}(z) + \alpha z f''_{n}(z) = 1 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \lambda_{m} (A, B, \gamma) z^{nm} = h(z^{n}) \prec h(z) \quad (z \in U).$$
(2.14)

Hence, $f_n(z) \in T_n(A, B, \gamma, \alpha)$ and from (2.13), we see that the bounds in (2.4) are the best possible.

Hereafter, we write

$$T_n(A, B, 1, \alpha) = T_n(A, B, \alpha).$$
(2.15)

Corollary 2.2. Let $f(z) \in T_n(A, B, \alpha)$. Then, for $z \in U$,

$$\operatorname{Re} f'(z) > 1 - (A - B) \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{B^{m-1}}{\alpha nm + 1},$$
(2.16)

$$\operatorname{Re} f'(z) < 1 + (A - B) \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-B)^{m-1}}{\alpha nm + 1} \quad (B \neq -1).$$
(2.17)

The results are sharp.

Proof. For $\gamma = 1$, it follows from (2.12) (used in the proof of Theorem 2.1) that

$$\operatorname{Re} f'(z) > \frac{1}{\alpha} \int_{0}^{1} t^{(1/\alpha)-1} \left(\frac{1-At^{n}}{1-Bt^{n}}\right) dt,$$

$$\operatorname{Re} f'(z) < \frac{1}{\alpha} \int_{0}^{1} t^{(1/\alpha)-1} \left(\frac{1+At^{n}}{1+Bt^{n}}\right) dt \quad (B \neq -1),$$
(2.18)

for $z \in U$. From these, we have the desired results.

The bounds in (2.16) and (2.17) are sharp for the function

$$f_n(z) = z + (A - B) \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-B)^{m-1}}{(nm+1)(\alpha nm+1)} z^{nm+1} \in T_n(A, B, \alpha).$$
(2.19)

Theorem 2.3. Let $f(z) \in T_n(A, B, \gamma, \alpha)$. Then, for |z| = r < 1,

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{f(z)}{z} \ge 1 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^m \lambda_m(A, B, \gamma)}{(nm+1)(\alpha nm+1)} r^{nm},$$

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{f(z)}{z} \le 1 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_m(A, B, \gamma)}{(nm+1)(\alpha nm+1)} r^{nm}.$$
(2.20)

The results are sharp.

Proof. Noting that

$$f(z) = z \int_0^1 f'(uz) du, \qquad \operatorname{Re} \frac{f(z)}{z} = \int_0^1 \operatorname{Re} f'(uz) du \quad (z \in U),$$
 (2.21)

an application of Theorem 2.1 yields (2.20). Furthermore, the results are sharp for the function $f_n(z)$ defined by (2.5).

Corollary 2.4. Let $f(z) \in T_n(A, B, \alpha)$. Then, for $z \in U$,

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{f(z)}{z} > 1 - (A - B) \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{B^{m-1}}{(nm+1)(\alpha nm+1)},$$

$$\operatorname{Re} \frac{f(z)}{z} < 1 + (A - B) \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-B)^{m-1}}{(nm+1)(\alpha nm+1)}.$$
(2.22)

The results are sharp for the function $f_n(z)$ defined by (2.19).

Proof. For $f(z) \in T_n(A, B, \alpha)$, it follows from (2.6) and (2.10) (with $\gamma = 1$) that

$$\frac{1}{\alpha} \int_{0}^{1} t^{(1/\alpha)-1} \left(\frac{1-A(ut)^{n}}{1-B(ut)^{n}}\right) dt < \operatorname{Re} f'(uz) < \frac{1}{\alpha} \int_{0}^{1} t^{(1/\alpha)-1} \left(\frac{1+A(ut)^{n}}{1+B(ut)^{n}}\right) dt,$$
(2.23)

for $z \in U$ and $0 < u \le 1$. Making use of (2.21) and (2.23), we can obtain (2.22).

Theorem 2.5. Let $f(z) \in T_1(A, B, \alpha)$ and $g(z) \in T_1(A_0, B_0, \alpha_0)$ $(-1 \le B_0 < 1, B_0 < A_0$ and $\alpha_0 > 0$). If

$$(A_0 - B_0) \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_0^{m-1}}{(m+1)(\alpha_0 m + 1)} \le \frac{1}{2},$$
(2.24)

then $(f * g)(z) \in T_1(A, B, \alpha)$, where the symbol * stands for the familiar Hadamard product (or convolution) of two analytic functions in U.

Proof. Since $g(z) \in T_1(A_0, B_0, \alpha_0)(-1 \le B_0 < 1, B_0 < A_0 \text{ and } \alpha_0 > 0)$, it follows from Corollary 2.4 (with n = 1) and (2.24) that

$$\operatorname{Re}\frac{g(z)}{z} > 1 - (A_0 - B_0) \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_0^{m-1}}{(m+1)(\alpha_0 m + 1)} \ge \frac{1}{2} \quad (z \in U).$$
(2.25)

Thus, g(z)/z has the Herglotz representation

$$\frac{g(z)}{z} = \int_{|x|=1} \frac{d\mu(x)}{1 - xz} \quad (z \in U),$$
(2.26)

where $\mu(x)$ is a probability measure on the unit circle |x| = 1 and $\int_{|x|=1} d\mu(x) = 1$. For $f(z) \in T_1(A, B, \alpha)$, we have

$$(f * g)'(z) + \alpha z (f * g)''(z) = F(z) * \frac{g(z)}{z} \quad (z \in U),$$
(2.27)

where

$$F(z) = f'(z) + \alpha z f''(z) \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \quad (z \in U).$$
(2.28)

In view of the function (1 + Az)/(1 + Bz) is convex (univalent) in *U*, we deduce from (2.26) to (2.28) that

$$(f * g)'(z) + \alpha z (f * g)''(z) = \int_{|x|=1} F(xz) d\mu(x) \prec \frac{1 + Az}{1 + Bz} \quad (z \in U).$$
(2.29)

This shows that $(f * g)(z) \in T_1(A, B, \alpha)$.

Corollary 2.6. Let $f(z) \in T_1(A, B, \alpha)$, $g(z) \in R(\beta, 1)$ and

$$\beta \ge -\frac{\pi^2 - 9}{12 - \pi^2}.$$
(2.30)

Then, $(f * g)(z) \in T_1(A, B, \alpha)$.

Proof. By taking $A_0 = 1 - 2\beta$, $B_0 = -1$ and $\alpha_0 = 1$, (2.24) in Theorem 2.5 becomes

$$2(1-\beta)\sum_{m=1}^{\infty}\frac{(-1)^{m-1}}{(m+1)^2} = 2(1-\beta)\left(1-\frac{\pi^2}{12}\right) \le \frac{1}{2},$$
(2.31)

that is,

$$\beta \ge -\frac{\pi^2 - 9}{12 - \pi^2}.\tag{2.32}$$

Hence, the desired result follows as a special case from Theorem 2.5. \Box

Remark 2.7. R. Singh and S. Singh [4, Theorem 3] proved that, if f(z) and g(z) belong to R(0,1), then $(f * g)(z) \in R(0,1)$. Obviously, for

$$-\frac{\pi^2 - 9}{12 - \pi^2} \le \beta < 0, \tag{2.33}$$

Corollary 2.6 generalizes and improves Theorem 3 in [4].

Theorem 2.8. Let $f(z) \in T_n(A, B, \gamma, \alpha)$ and $AB \leq 1$. Then, for |z| = r < 1,

$$|f(z)| \le r + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_m(A, B, \gamma)}{(nm+1)(\alpha nm+1)} r^{nm+1}.$$
 (2.34)

The result is sharp, with the extremal function $f_n(z)$ defined by (2.5).

Proof. It is well known that for $\zeta \in C$ and $|\zeta| \le \sigma < 1$,

$$\left|\frac{1+A\zeta}{1+B\zeta} - \frac{1-AB\sigma^2}{1-B^2\sigma^2}\right| \le \frac{(A-B)\sigma}{1-B^2\sigma^2}.$$
(2.35)

Since $AB \le 1$, we have $1 - AB\sigma^2 > 0$ and so (2.35) leads to

$$\left|\frac{1+A\zeta}{1+B\zeta}\right|^{\gamma} \le \left(\left|\frac{1-AB\sigma^2}{1-B^2\sigma^2}\right| + \frac{(A-B)\sigma}{1-B^2\sigma^2}\right)^{\gamma} = \left(\frac{1+A\sigma}{1+B\sigma}\right)^{\gamma} \quad (|\zeta| \le \sigma < 1).$$
(2.36)

By virtue of (1.6), (2.10), and (2.36), we have

$$\left|f'(uz)\right| \le \frac{1}{\alpha} \int_0^1 t^{(1/\alpha)-1} |h(w(utz))| dt \le \frac{1}{\alpha} \int_0^1 t^{(1/\alpha)-1} h((ut|z|)^n) dt,$$
(2.37)

for $z \in U$ and $0 \le u \le 1$. Now, by using (2.3), (2.21) and (2.37), we can obtain (2.34).

Theorem 2.9. Let

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_k z^k \in T_n(A, B, \gamma, \alpha).$$
(2.38)

Then,

$$|a_k| \le \frac{\gamma(A-B)}{k(\alpha(k-1)+1)} \quad (k \ge n+1).$$
(2.39)

The result is sharp for each $k \ge n + 1$ *.*

Proof. It is known (cf. [12]) that, if

$$\varphi(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k z^k \prec \psi(z) \quad (z \in U),$$
(2.40)

where $\varphi(z)$ is analytic in U and $\psi(z) = z + \cdots$ is analytic and convex univalent in U, then $|b_k| \le 1$ ($k \in N$).

By (2.38), we have

$$\frac{f'(z) + \alpha z f''(z) - 1}{\gamma(A - B)} = \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \frac{k(\alpha(k-1) + 1)}{\gamma(A - B)} a_k z^{k-1} \prec \psi(z) \quad (z \in U),$$
(2.41)

where

$$\psi(z) = \frac{h(z) - 1}{\gamma(A - B)} = z + \cdots$$
(2.42)

and h(z) is given by (1.6). Since the function $\psi(z)$ is analytic and convex univalent in U, it follows from (2.41) that

$$\frac{k(\alpha(k-1)+1)}{\gamma(A-B)}|a_k| \le 1 \quad (k \ge n+1),$$
(2.43)

which gives (2.39).

Next, we consider the function

$$f_{k-1}(z) = z + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_m(A, B, \gamma)}{(m(k-1)+1)(\alpha m(k-1)+1)} z^{m(k-1)+1} \quad (z \in U; k \ge n+1).$$
(2.44)

It is easy to verify that

$$f'_{k-1}(z) + \alpha z f''_{k-1}(z) = h(z^{k-1}) \prec h(z) \quad (z \in U),$$

$$f_{k-1}(z) = z + \frac{\gamma(A-B)}{k(\alpha(k-1)+1)} z^k + \cdots.$$
(2.45)

The proof of Theorem 2.9 is completed.

3. The Univalency and Starlikeness of $T_n(A, B, \alpha)$

Theorem 3.1. $T_n(A, B, \alpha) \subset S_n$ if and only if

$$(A-B)\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{B^{m-1}}{\alpha nm+1} \le 1.$$
(3.1)

Proof. Let $f(z) \in T_n(A, B, \alpha)$ and (3.1) be satisfied. Then, by (2.16) in Corollary 2.2, we see that Re $f'(z) > 0(z \in U)$. Thus, f(z) is close-to-convex and univalent in U.

On the other hand, if

$$(A - B)\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{B^{m-1}}{\alpha nm + 1} > 1,$$
(3.2)

then the function $f_n(z)$ defined by (2.19) satisfies $f'_n(0) = 1 > 0$ and

$$f'_n \left(r e^{\pi i/n} \right) = 1 - (A - B) \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{B^{m-1}}{\alpha nm + 1} r^{nm} \longrightarrow 1 - (A - B) \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{B^{m-1}}{\alpha nm + 1} < 0$$
(3.3)

as $r \to 1$. Hence, there exists a point $z_n = r_n e^{\pi i/n} (0 < r_n < 1)$ such that $f'_n(z_n) = 0$. This implies that $f_n(z)$ is not univalent in U and so the theorem is proved.

Theorem 3.2. Let (3.1) in Theorem 3.1 be satisfied. If $\alpha \ge 1$ and

$$(\alpha - 1)\left(1 - (A - B)\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{B^{m-1}}{\alpha nm + 1}\right) + \frac{n\alpha}{2}\left(1 - (A - B)\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{B^{m-1}}{(nm + 1)(\alpha nm + 1)}\right) \ge \frac{A - 1}{1 - B},$$
(3.4)

then $T_n(A, B, \alpha) \subset S_n^*$.

Proof. We first show that

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{B^{m-1}}{\alpha nm+1} \ge \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{B^{m-1}}{(nm+1)(\alpha nm+1)} \quad (\alpha \ge 1).$$
(3.5)

Equation (3.5) is obvious when $B \ge 0$. For $0 > B \ge -1$, we have

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{B^{m-1}}{\alpha nm+1} - \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{B^{m-1}}{(nm+1)(\alpha nm+1)} = \mu_1 - \mu_2 + \mu_3 - \mu_4 + \dots + (-1)^{m-1} \mu_m + \dots , \qquad (3.6)$$

where

$$\mu_m = \frac{nm|B|^{m-1}}{(nm+1)(\alpha nm+1)} > 0.$$
(3.7)

Since $|B| \le 1$ and

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{x}{(x+1)(\alpha x+1)}\right) = \frac{1-\alpha x^2}{(x+1)^2(\alpha x+1)^2} \le 0 \quad (x \ge 1; \alpha \ge 1),$$
(3.8)

 $\{\mu_m\}$ is a monotonically decreasing sequence. Therefore, the inequality (3.5) follows from (3.6).

Let $f(z) \in T_n(A, B, \alpha)$. Then,

$$\operatorname{Re}\{f'(z) + \alpha z f''(z)\} > \frac{1 - A}{1 - B} \quad (z \in U).$$
(3.9)

Define p(z) in U by

$$p(z) = \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}.$$
(3.10)

In view of (3.1) in Theorem 3.1 is satisfied, the function f(z) is univalent in U, and so $p(z) = 1 + p_n z^n + p_{n+1} z^{n+1} + \cdots$ is analytic in U. Also it follows from (3.10) that

$$f'(z) + \alpha z f''(z) = (1 - \alpha) f'(z) + \alpha \frac{f(z)}{z} \Big[z p'(z) + (p(z))^2 \Big].$$
(3.11)

We want to prove now that $\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0$ for $z \in U$. Suppose that there exists a point $z_0 \in U$ such that

$$\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0 \quad (|z| < |z_0|), \qquad \operatorname{Re} p(z_0) = 0.$$
 (3.12)

Then, applying a result of Miller and Mocanu [13, Theorem 4], we have

$$z_0 p'(z_0) + (p(z_0))^2 \le -\frac{n}{2} \operatorname{Re}(1 - p(z_0)) - (\operatorname{Im} p(z_0))^2 \le -\frac{n}{2}.$$
(3.13)

For $\alpha \ge 1$, we deduce from Corollaries 2.2 and 2.4, (3.1), (3.5), (3.11), (3.13), and (3.4) that

$$\operatorname{Re}\left\{f'(z_{0}) + \alpha z_{0} f''(z_{0})\right\} \leq (1 - \alpha) \left(1 - (A - B) \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{B^{m-1}}{\alpha nm + 1}\right)$$
$$- \frac{n\alpha}{2} \left(1 - (A - B) \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{B^{m-1}}{(nm + 1)(\alpha nm + 1)}\right) \qquad (3.14)$$
$$\leq \frac{1 - A}{1 - B}.$$

But this contradicts (3.9) at $z = z_0$. Therefore, we must have $\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0$ ($z \in U$) and the proof of Theorem 3.2 is completed.

Remark 3.3. In [6, Theorem 4(ii)], the authors gave the following: if $0 < \alpha < 1$ and β_1 is the solution of the equation

$$1 - \frac{3\alpha}{2} = \beta + (1 - \beta) \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{m-1}\alpha + 2(\alpha - 1)m}{m(\alpha(m-1) + 1)},$$
(3.15)

then $R(\beta, \alpha) \subset S_1^*$ for $\beta \ge \beta_1$. However, this result is not true because the series in (3.15) diverges.

4. The Radius of Convexity

Theorem 4.1. Let f(z) belong to the class $T_n(\gamma)$ defined by

$$T_n(\gamma) = T_n(1, -1, \gamma, 0) = \left\{ f(z) \in A_n : f'(z) \prec \left(\frac{1+z}{1-z}\right)^{\gamma}, \ (z \in U) \right\},\tag{4.1}$$

 $0 < \delta \leq 1$ and $0 \leq \rho < 1$. Then,

$$\operatorname{Re}\left\{ (1-\delta) \left(f'(z) \right)^{1/\gamma} + \delta \left(1 + \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) \right\} > \rho \quad \left(|z| < r_n(\gamma, \delta, \rho) \right), \tag{4.2}$$

where $r_n(\gamma, \delta, \rho)$ is the root in (0, 1) of the equation

$$(1 - 2\delta + \rho)r^{2n} - 2(1 - \delta + n\delta\gamma)r^n + 1 - \rho = 0.$$
(4.3)

The result is sharp.

Proof. For $f(z) \in T_n(\gamma)$, we can write

$$(f'(z))^{1/\gamma} = \frac{1 + z^n \varphi(z)}{1 - z^n \varphi(z)},$$
(4.4)

where $\varphi(z)$ is analytic and $|\varphi(z)| \le 1$ in *U*. Differentiating both sides of (4.4) logarithmically, we arrive at

$$1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} = 1 + \frac{2n\gamma z^n \varphi(z)}{1 - (z^n \varphi(z))^2} + \frac{2\gamma z^{n+1} \varphi'(z)}{1 - (z^n \varphi(z))^2} \quad (z \in U).$$
(4.5)

Put |z| = r < 1 and $(f'(z))^{1/\gamma} = u + iv$ $(u, v \in R)$. Then, (4.4) implies that

$$z^{n}\varphi(z) = \frac{u - 1 + iv}{u + 1 + iv},$$
(4.6)

$$\frac{1-r^n}{1+r^n} \le u \le \frac{1+r^n}{1-r^n}.$$
(4.7)

With the help of the Carathéodory inequality

$$|\varphi'(z)| \le \frac{1 - |\varphi(z)|^2}{1 - r^2},$$
(4.8)

it follows from (4.5) and (4.6) that

$$\operatorname{Re}\left\{ (1-\delta)(f'(z))^{1/\gamma} + \delta\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) \right\}$$

$$\geq (1-\delta)u + \delta + 2n\delta\gamma \operatorname{Re}\left\{\frac{z^{n}\varphi(z)}{1 - (z^{n}\varphi(z))^{2}}\right\} - 2\delta\gamma \left|\frac{z^{n+1}\varphi'(z)}{1 - (z^{n}\varphi(z))^{2}}\right|$$

$$\geq (1-\delta)u + \delta + \frac{n\delta\gamma}{2}\left(u - \frac{u}{u^{2} + v^{2}}\right) + \frac{\delta\gamma}{2}\frac{(u-1)^{2} + v^{2} - r^{2n}\left((u+1)^{2} + v^{2}\right)}{r^{n-1}(1-r^{2})(u^{2} + v^{2})^{1/2}}$$

$$= F_{n}(u, v) \quad (say),$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial v}F_{n}(u, v) = \delta\gamma vG_{n}(u, v), \qquad (4.10)$$

where $0 < r < 1, 0 < \delta \le 1$ and

$$G_{n}(u,v) = \frac{nu}{(u^{2}+v^{2})^{2}} + \frac{1-r^{2n}}{r^{n-1}(1-r^{2})(u^{2}+v^{2})^{1/2}} + \frac{r^{2n}((u+1)^{2}+v^{2}) - ((u-1)^{2}+v^{2})}{2r^{n-1}(1-r^{2})(u^{2}+v^{2})^{3/2}}$$

> 0 (4.11)

because of (4.6) and (4.7). In view of (4.10) and (4.11), we see that

$$F_{n}(u,v) \geq F_{n}(u,0)$$

$$= (1-\delta)u + \delta + \frac{n\delta\gamma}{2}\left(u - \frac{1}{u}\right) + \frac{\delta\gamma}{2r^{n-1}(1-r^{2})}$$

$$\times \left\{\left(1 - r^{2n}\right)\left(u + \frac{1}{u}\right) - 2\left(1 + r^{2n}\right)\right\}.$$

$$\Box$$

Let us now calculate the minimum value of $F_n(u, 0)$ on the closed interval $[(1-r^n)/(1+r^n), (1+r^n)/(1-r^n)]$. Noting that

$$\frac{1 - r^{2n}}{r^{n-1}(1 - r^2)} \ge n \quad (\text{see } [8]) \tag{4.13}$$

and (4.7), we deduce from (4.12) that

$$\frac{d}{du}F_{n}(u,0) = 1 - \delta + \frac{\delta\gamma}{2} \left[\left(\frac{1 - r^{2n}}{r^{n-1}(1 - r^{2})} + n \right) - \frac{1}{u^{2}} \left(\frac{1 - r^{2n}}{r^{n-1}(1 - r^{2})} - n \right) \right] \\
\geq 1 - \delta + \frac{\delta\gamma}{2} \left[\left(\frac{1 - r^{2n}}{r^{n-1}(1 - r^{2})} + n \right) - \left(\frac{1 + r^{n}}{1 - r^{n}} \right)^{2} \left(\frac{1 - r^{2n}}{r^{n-1}(1 - r^{2})} - n \right) \right] \quad (4.14) \\
= 1 - \delta + \frac{2\delta\gamma I_{n}(r)}{(1 - r^{n})^{2}},$$

where

$$I_n(r) = \frac{n}{2} \left(1 + r^{2n} \right) - r \left(1 + r^2 + \dots + r^{2n-2} \right).$$
(4.15)

Also

$$I'_{n}(r) = n^{2}r^{2n-1} - \left(1 + 3r^{2} + \dots + (2n-1)r^{2n-2}\right)$$
(4.16)

and $I'_1(r) = r - 1 < 0$. Suppose that $I'_n(r) < 0$. Then,

$$I'_{n+1}(r) = (n+1)^2 r^{2n+1} - (2n+1)r^{2n} - \left(1 + 3r^2 + \dots + (2n-1)r^{2n-2}\right)$$

$$< n^2 r^{2n} - \left(1 + 3r^2 + \dots + (2n-1)r^{2n-2}\right) < I'_n(r) < 0.$$
(4.17)

Hence, by virtue of the mathematical induction, we have $I'_n(r) < 0$ for all $n \in N$ and $0 \le r < 1$. This implies that

$$I_n(r) > I_n(1) = 0 \quad (n \in N; \ 0 \le r < 1).$$
 (4.18)

In view of (4.14) and (4.18), we see that

$$\frac{d}{du}F_n(u,0) > 0 \quad \left(\frac{1-r^n}{1+r^n} \le u \le \frac{1+r^n}{1-r^n}\right).$$
(4.19)

Further it follows from (4.9), (4.12), and (4.19) that

$$\operatorname{Re}\left\{ (1-\delta) \left(f'(z)\right)^{1/\gamma} + \delta \left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) \right\} - \rho$$

$$\geq F_n \left(\frac{1-r^n}{1+r^n}, 0\right) - \rho$$

$$= (1-\delta) \frac{1-r^n}{1+r^n} + \delta \frac{1-2n\gamma r^n - r^{2n}}{1-r^{2n}} - \rho$$

$$= \frac{J_n(r)}{1-r^{2n}},$$
(4.20)

where $0 \le \rho < 1$ and

$$J_n(r) = (1 - 2\delta + \rho)r^{2n} - 2(1 - \delta + n\delta\gamma)r^n + 1 - \rho.$$
(4.21)

Note that $J_n(0) = 1 - \rho > 0$ and $J_n(1) = -2n\delta\gamma < 0$. If we let $r_n(\gamma, \delta, \rho)$ denote the root in (0, 1) of the equation $J_n(r) = 0$, then (4.20) yields the desired result (4.2).

To see that the bound $r_n(\gamma, \delta, \rho)$ is the best possible, we consider the function

$$f(z) = \int_0^z \left(\frac{1-t^n}{1+t^n}\right)^{\gamma} dt \in T_n(\gamma).$$

$$(4.22)$$

It is clear that for $z = r \in (r_n(\gamma, \delta, \rho), 1)$,

$$(1-\delta)(f'(r))^{1/\gamma} + \delta\left(1 + \frac{rf''(r)}{f'(r)}\right) - \rho = \frac{J_n(r)}{1 - r^{2n}} < 0, \tag{4.23}$$

which shows that the bound $r_n(\gamma, \delta, \rho)$ cannot be increased.

Setting δ = 1, Theorem 4.1 reduces to the following result.

Corollary 4.2. Let $f(z) \in T_n(\gamma)$ and $0 \le \rho < 1$. Then, f(z) is convex of order ρ in

$$|z| < \left[\frac{\left(\left(n\gamma\right)^{2} + \left(1 - \rho\right)^{2}\right)^{1/2} - n\gamma}{1 - \rho}\right]^{1/n}.$$
(4.24)

The result is sharp.

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