

CERTAIN GENERALIZATIONS OF THE ROBERTSON FUNCTIONS

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1. Introduction. Let

$$(1.1) \quad f(z) = z + a_2 z^2 + \dots$$

denote a function analytic in the unit disk $E = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ satisfying the condition

$$(1.2) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ e^{i\lambda} \left(1 + \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) \right\} > 0$$

for some real λ ($|\lambda| < \pi/2$) and for all z in E . The class C^λ of the functions f of the form (1.1) and satisfying the condition (1.2) has been studied by Robertson [6], Libera and Ziegler [4], Bajpai and Mehrotra [1], and Kulshrestha [3]. If f is in C^λ , we say that f is a λ -Robertson function. In [2], Chichra has defined the class $C^\lambda(\alpha)$ of functions f of the form (1.1) and satisfying the condition

$$(1.3) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ e^{i\lambda} \left(1 + \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) \right\} > \alpha \cos \lambda$$

for some α , λ ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$, $-\pi/2 < \lambda < \pi/2$) and for all z in E . We say, a function f of the form (1.1) is a λ -Robertson function of order α if and only if f is a member of $C^\lambda(\alpha)$. The class $C^\lambda(\alpha)$ has also been studied by Sizuk [8], who called $z f'(z)$ λ -spiral-shaped of order α .

In [5], Mogra and the author have introduced the class, $S^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$, of λ -spiral-like functions of order α and type β . Accordingly, a function f of the form (1.1) belongs to $S^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$ if and only if for all z in E , the inequality

$$(1.4) \quad \left| \frac{z f'(z)/f(z) - 1}{2\beta(z f'(z)/f(z) - 1) + (1 - \alpha)e^{-i\lambda} \cos \lambda - (z f'(z)/f(z) - 1)} \right| < 1$$

holds for some α, β , λ ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$, $0 < \beta \leq 1$, $-\pi/2 < \lambda < \pi/2$), and for all z in E . Motivated from our class $S^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$, we, in the present paper, introduce the concept of 'type' for the class, $C^\lambda(\alpha)$, of λ -Robertson functions of order α as follows:

A function $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$, analytic in E , is said to be a λ -Robertson function of order α and type β if and only if for all z in the unit disk E , the inequality

$$(1.5) \quad \left| \frac{zf''(z)/f'(z)}{2\beta(zf''(z)/f'(z) + (1-\alpha)e^{-i\lambda} \cos \lambda) - zf''(z)/f'(z)} \right| < 1$$

holds for some α, β, λ as above. We shall denote the class of all such functions by $C^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$.

It follows immediately from the definitions of $S^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$ and $C^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$ that a function f is in the class $C^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$ if and only if $zf'(z)$ is in the class $S^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$.

We observe that by taking the suitable values of the parameters α, β, λ our class $C^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$ gives rise to a number of classes previously studied; for instance, $C^\lambda(0, 1) \equiv C^\lambda$ and $C^\lambda(\alpha, 1) \equiv C^\lambda(\alpha)$. Further, the classes $C^\lambda(0, (2M-1)/2M) \equiv C_{\lambda, M}$ $C^0(\alpha, 1) \equiv C(\alpha)$ have been introduced and investigated, respectively, by Kulshrestha [3] and Robertson [7]. The class $C(\alpha)$ is known as the class of functions which are convex of order α .

It is to be noted that for general values of $\alpha, \beta, \lambda (0 \leq \alpha < 1, 0 < \beta \leq 1, -\pi/2 < \lambda < \pi/2)$, a function in $C^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$ may not be univalent in E . For example, the function

$$f(z) = i(1-z)^i - i = z + \dots$$

belongs to $C^{\pi/4}(0, 1)$, but it has a zero at each of the points $1 - e^{-2n\pi} (n=0, 1, 2, \dots)$.

In the present paper, using the results proved in [5], we establish a representation formula, distortion properties, and coefficient estimates for a λ -Robertson function of order α and type β . Finally, the radius of convexity for $C^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$ have been obtained. For the appropriate choices of the parameters, our theorems in this paper not only give rise to a number of results previously known, but can also yield many new interesting results for a number of classes earlier studied.

2. The Representation Formula. Let A denote the class of functions which are analytic in the unit disk E and which satisfy $|\phi(z)| \leq 1$ for all z in E . Since f is in $C^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$ if and only if $zf'(z)$ is in $S^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$, the following theorem follows immediately from [5, Theorem 1].

Theorem 1. *Let $f(z) = z + a_2 z^2 + \dots$ be analytic in E . Then f is in the class $C^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$ if and only if*

$$(2.1) \quad f'(z) = \exp \left\{ -2\beta(1-\alpha)e^{-i\lambda} \cos \lambda \cdot \int_0^z \frac{\phi(t)}{1+(2\beta-1)t\phi(t)} dt \right\}$$

for some ϕ in A .

For $\alpha=0, \beta=1$ we deduce the following result:

Corollary 1. *Let $f(z) = z + a_2 z^2 + \dots$ be analytic in the unit disk E . Then f is a λ -Robertson function if and only if*

$$(2.2) \quad f'(z) = \exp \left\{ -2e^{-i\lambda} \cos \lambda \int_0^z \frac{\phi(t)}{1+t\phi(t)} dt \right\}$$

for some ϕ in A .

For $\alpha=0=\lambda$, $\beta=1$, the above theorem yields the following result.

Corollary 2. Let $f(z)=z+a_2z^2+\dots$ be analytic in E . Then f is a convex function if and only if

$$(2.3) \quad f'(z) = \exp \left\{ -2 \int_0^z \frac{\phi(t)}{1+t\phi(t)} dt \right\}$$

for some ϕ in A .

3. The Sufficient Condition.

Theorem 2. Let $f(z)=z+a_2z^2+\dots$ be analytic in E . Then f is in the class $C^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$, if for some $\alpha(0 \leq \alpha < 1)$ and $\lambda(-\pi/2 < \lambda < \pi/2)$,

$$(3.1) \quad \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n \{ 2(1-\beta)n-1 + |1-2\beta+2\beta(1-\alpha)e^{-i\lambda} \cos \lambda| \} |a_n| \\ \leq 2\beta(1-\alpha) \cos \lambda, \quad \text{whenever } 0 < \beta \leq 1/2,$$

$$(3.2) \quad \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n \{ n-1 + |(2\beta-1)(n-1) + 2\beta(1-\alpha)e^{-i\lambda} \cos \lambda| \} |a_n| \\ \leq 2\beta(1-\alpha) \cos \lambda, \quad \text{whenever } 1/2 \leq \beta \leq 1$$

holds.

Proof. The proof follows from [5, Theorem 2] on using the fact that $f \in C^\lambda(\alpha, \beta) \Leftrightarrow zf'(z) \in S^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$, $z \in E$.

Corollary 3. A function $f(z)=z+a_2z^2+\dots$, analytic in E , is a λ -Robertson function if

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n \{ n-1 + \sqrt{1+2n \cos(2\lambda) + n^2} \} |a_n| \leq 2 \cos \lambda$$

holds for some $\lambda(-\pi/2 < \lambda < \pi/2)$.

Remark. By fixing the parameters α , β and λ in Theorem 2, we can obtain sufficient conditions for a function to be in the classes $C^\lambda(\alpha)$, $C_{\lambda, M}$, $C(\alpha)$, and many others.

4. Distortion Theorem. Theorem 3 in [5] together with the fact that ' f is in $C^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$ if and only if $zf'(z)$ is in $S^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$ ' yields the following distortion properties for the class $C^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$.

Theorem 3. Let $f(z)=z+a_2z^2+\dots$ be analytic in the unit disk E . If f is in $C^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$, then for $|z|=r<1$ and for all $\alpha\in[0, 1)$, $\beta\in(0, 1/2)\cup(1/2, 1]$, $\lambda\in(-\pi/2, \pi/2)$,

$$(4.1) \quad |f'(z)| \leq \left\{ \frac{(1+(2\beta-1)r)^{(1-\cos \lambda)}}{(1-(2\beta-1)r)^{(1+\cos \lambda)}} \right\}^{\beta(1-\alpha) \cos \lambda / (2\beta-1)},$$

$$(4.2) \quad |f'(z)| \geq \left\{ \frac{(1-(2\beta-1)r)^{(1-\cos \lambda)}}{(1+(2\beta-1)r)^{(1+\cos \lambda)}} \right\}^{\beta(1-\alpha) \cos \lambda / (2\beta-1)};$$

whereas for $\alpha\in[0, 1)$, $\beta=1/2$, $\lambda\in(-\pi/2, \pi/2)$,

$$(4.3) \quad |f'(z)| \leq \exp((1-\alpha) \cos \lambda \cdot r),$$

and

$$(4.4) \quad |f'(z)| \geq \exp(-(1-\alpha) \cos \lambda \cdot r).$$

The function given by

$$(4.5) \quad f'_\theta(z) = \begin{cases} 1/\{1-(2\beta-1)e^{i\theta}z\}^{2\beta(1-\alpha) \cos \lambda \cdot e^{-\lambda/(2\beta-1)}}, & \beta \neq 1/2 \\ \exp\{(1-\alpha) \cos \lambda \cdot e^{i(\theta-\lambda)}z\}, & \beta = 1/2 \end{cases}$$

provides equality in (4.1) and (4.3) when θ is given by

$$(4.6) \quad \tan \theta/2 = \frac{1-(2\beta-1)r}{1+(2\beta-1)r} \cot(\pi/2-\lambda/2).$$

Further, the above function gives equality in (4.2) and (4.4) when θ is given by the equation

$$(4.7) \quad \tan \theta/2 = \frac{1-(2\beta-1)r}{1+(2\beta-1)r} \cot(-\lambda/2).$$

Corollary 4. If $f(z)=z+a_2z^2+\dots$, analytic in E , is a λ -Robertson function of order α , then for $|z|=r<1$,

$$\left\{ \frac{(1-r)^{(1-\cos \lambda)}}{(1+r)^{(1+\cos \lambda)}} \right\}^{(1-\alpha) \cos \lambda} \leq |f'(z)| \leq \left\{ \frac{(1+r)^{(1-\cos \lambda)}}{(1-r)^{(1+\cos \lambda)}} \right\}^{(1-\alpha) \cos \lambda}.$$

The estimates are sharp.

Corollary 5. If $f(z)=z+a_2z^2+\dots$, analytic in E , is a convex function of order α , then for $|z|=r$,

$$\frac{1}{(1+r)^{2(1-\alpha)}} \leq |f'(z)| \leq \frac{1}{(1-r)^{2(1-\alpha)}}.$$

The estimates are sharp.

Remark. For suitable values of α, β, λ the above theorem can yield the distortion properties for the classes $C^\lambda, C_{\lambda, M}$, and many others.

5. Coefficient Estimates.

Theorem 4. Let $f(z)=z+a_2z^2+\dots$ be in $C^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$.

(a) If $\beta(1-\alpha)(2-\alpha)\cos^2\lambda > (1-\beta)(1+(1-\alpha)\cos^2\lambda)$, let

$$N = \left[\frac{2\beta(1-\alpha)(2-\alpha)\cos^2\lambda}{(1-\beta)(1+(1-\alpha)\cos^2\lambda)} \right],$$

where N is the greatest integer of the expression within the square bracket. Then

$$(5.1) \quad |a_n| \leq \frac{1}{n!} \prod_{k=2}^n |(2\beta-1)(k-2) + 2\beta(1-\alpha)e^{-i\lambda}\cos\lambda|,$$

for $n=2, 3, \dots, N+2$; and

$$(5.2) \quad |a_n| \leq \frac{1}{n(n-1)(N+1)!} \prod_{k=2}^{N+3} |(2\beta-1)(k-2) + 2\beta(1-\alpha)e^{-i\lambda}\cos\lambda|, \quad n > N+2.$$

(b) If $\beta(1-\alpha)(2-\alpha)\cos^2\lambda \leq (1-\beta)(1+(1-\alpha)\cos^2\lambda)$, then

$$(5.3) \quad |a_n| \leq \frac{2\beta(1-\alpha)\cos\lambda}{n(n-1)}, \quad n \geq 2.$$

The estimates in (5.1) are sharp for the function given by

$$(5.4) \quad 1+z \frac{f''(z)}{f'(z)} = \frac{1 - ((2\beta-1) - 2\beta(1-\alpha)e^{-i\lambda}\cos\lambda)z}{1 - (2\beta-1)z},$$

where

$$\beta(1-\alpha)(2-\alpha)\cos^2\lambda > (1-\beta)(1+(1-\alpha)\cos^2\lambda),$$

while the estimates in (5.3) are sharp for the functions given by

$$(5.5) \quad f'_n(z) = \{1 - (2\beta-1)z^{n-1}\}^{-2\beta(1-\alpha)e^{-i\lambda}\cos\lambda / (2\beta-1)(n-1)}$$

for $\beta \neq 1/2$; whereas for $\beta = 1/2$

$$(5.6) \quad f'_n(z) = \exp \left\{ \left(\frac{(1-\alpha)e^{-i\lambda}\cos\lambda}{n-1} \right) z^{n-1} \right\}, \quad (n \geq 2).$$

Proof. Since

$$zf'(z) = z + 2a_2z^2 + \dots$$

is a λ -spiral-like function of order α and type β , this theorem is an immediate consequence of [5, Theorem 4].

Corollary 6. If $f(z)=z+a_2z^2+\dots$ is a λ -Robertson function of order α , then

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{1}{n!} \prod_{k=0}^{n-2} |2(1-\alpha)\cos\lambda \cdot e^{-i\lambda} + k|, \quad (n \geq 2)$$

and these bounds are sharp.

Corollary 7. Let $f(z)=z+a_2z^2+\dots$ be in $C_{\lambda, M}$.

(a) If $M > (4 + \tan^2 \lambda)/4$, let

$$N = \left[\frac{2(2M-1)}{2 + \tan^2 \lambda} \right].$$

Then

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{1}{n!} \prod_{k=0}^{n-2} |l(c+k-1)|, \quad n=2, 3, \dots, N+2;$$

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{1}{(N+1)! n(n-1)} \prod_{k=0}^{N+3} |l(c+k+1)|, \quad n > N+2,$$

where $c = (1+l) \cos \lambda \cdot e^{-i\lambda} / l - 1$, $l = 1 - 1/M$.

(b) If $1/2 < M < (4 + \tan^2 \lambda)/4$, then

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{(1+l) \cos \lambda}{n(n-1)}, \quad (n \geq 2).$$

The bounds are sharp.

6. Radius of convexity. In [5], Mogra and the author have determined the radius of starlikeness for the class $S^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$. Making use of the relationship between $C^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$ and $S^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$, we may write the following as a consequence of [5, Theorem 5].

Theorem 5. Let $f(z) = z + a_2 z^2 + \dots$ be analytic in E , and f is a member of $C^\lambda(\alpha, \beta)$. Then f is convex in

$$(6.1) \quad |z| < \frac{1}{\beta(1-\alpha) \cos \lambda + \sqrt{\beta^2(1-\alpha)^2 \cos^2 \lambda + (2\beta-1)^2 - 2\beta(1-\alpha)(2\beta-1) \cos^2 \lambda}}.$$

The estimate for $|z|$ is sharp for the function given by (4.5), where θ is given by (4.7).

Corollary 8. The radius of convexity of C^λ is $\{|\sin \lambda| + \cos \lambda\}^{-1}$. The result is sharp.

The above result has also been determined, by using different method, by Libera and Ziegler [4]. Fixing $\beta=1$, the last theorem gives the following result due to Chichra [2].

Corollary 9. Let f be in $C^\lambda(\alpha)$. Then f is convex in

$$|z| < \frac{1}{(1-\alpha) \cos \lambda + \sqrt{\sin^2 \lambda + \alpha^2 \cos^2 \lambda}}.$$

The estimate is sharp.

On taking the appropriate values of the parameters α, β, λ the above theorem can give the corresponding radius of convexity for the functions in the classes $C^\lambda, C_{\lambda, M}$, and others.

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