

CONVEX CLASS OF STARLIKE FUNCTIONS

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ABSTRACT. Let S denote the class of functions of the form $f(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |a_n| z^n$ that are analytic and univalent in the unit disk U . Let $S(\alpha, \beta)$ and $K(\alpha, \beta)$ denote the subclasses of S consisting respectively, of starlike and close-to-convex functions of order α ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$) and type β ($0 < \beta \leq 1$). In this paper, we obtain a relationship between classes $S(\alpha, \beta)$ and $K(\alpha, \beta)$ by defining a subclass $B(\alpha, \beta)$ of $K(\alpha, \beta)$. Coefficient estimates, distortion and covering theorems are obtained for the class $B(\alpha, \beta)$. The class $B(\alpha, \beta)$ is convex.

1. Introduction

Let S denote the class of functions of the form $f(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |a_n| z^n$ that are analytic and univalent in the unit disk $U = \{z : |z| < 1\}$. We denote by $S(\alpha, \beta)$ and $C(\alpha, \beta)$, the subclasses of S consisting of functions which are, respectively, starlike of order α ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$) and type β ($0 < \beta \leq 1$), and convex of order α and type β .

A function $f \in S$ is in $S(\alpha, \beta)$ if and only if

$$\left| \left[\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right] / \left[\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + (1-2\alpha) \right] \right| < \beta, \quad z \in U$$

and is in $C(\alpha, \beta)$ if and only if

$$\left| \left[\frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right] / \left[\frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + 2-2\alpha \right] \right| < \beta, \quad z \in U.$$

A function $f \in S$ is in $K(\alpha, \beta)$, the class of close-to-convex of order α and type β , if there exists a function $\varphi(z) \in S$ such that

$$\left| \left[\frac{zf'(z)}{\varphi(z)} - 1 \right] / \left[\frac{zf'(z)}{\varphi(z)} + (1-2\alpha) \right] \right| < \beta, \quad z \in U.$$

It can easily be seen [1] that a function $f \in S$ is in $C(\alpha, \beta)$ if and only if $zf'(z) \in S(\alpha, \beta)$. In this paper, we shall obtain a relationship between the classes $S(\alpha, \beta)$ and $K(\alpha, \beta)$. We look for a subclass $B(\alpha, \beta)$ of $K(\alpha, \beta)$ that consists of members of $S(\alpha, \beta)$. For this class, results concerning coefficient estimates, distortion theorems and covering theorems are obtained in this paper. The class $B(\alpha, \beta)$ is also proved to be convex.

2. Main Results.

Theorem 1. *If $f \in K(\alpha, \beta)$, then*

$$(2.1) \quad \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \{(1+\beta)n|a_n| - (1-\beta+2\alpha\beta)|b_n|\} \leq 2\beta(1-\alpha),$$

b_n 's are the coefficients of the associated function belonging to class S .

Proof. By definition, if $f \in K(\alpha, \beta)$ then there exists a function $\varphi(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |b_n| z^n$ in S that

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z) - \varphi(z)}{zf'(z) + (1-2\alpha)\varphi(z)} \right| < \beta, \quad z \in U.$$

This gives

$$(2.2) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [n|a_n| - |b_n|]z^n}{2(1-\alpha)z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [n|a_n| + (1-2\alpha)|b_n|]z^n} \right\} < \beta.$$

Since $|\operatorname{Re}(z)| \leq |z|$ for all z , choose values of z on the real axis so that $[zf'(z)/\varphi(z)]$ is real. Upon clearing the denominator in (2.2) and letting $z \rightarrow 1-$ through real values, we obtain the inequality

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [n|a_n| - |b_n|] \leq \beta \left\{ 2(1-\alpha) - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [n|a_n| + (1-2\alpha)|b_n|] \right\}.$$

This, on simplification, gives the required coefficient inequality (2.1).

The inequality (2.1) and one more inequality give us the subclass of $K(\alpha, \beta)$, we are looking for.

The class $B(\alpha, \beta)$. A function $f(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |a_n| z^n$ is said to be in $B(\alpha, \beta)$, if there exists a function $\varphi(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |b_n| z^n$ in S such that

$$(i) \quad \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \{(1+\beta)n|a_n| - (1-\beta+2\alpha\beta)|b_n|\} \leq 2\beta(1-\alpha)$$

and

$$(ii) \quad n|a_n| - |b_n| \geq 0 \quad \text{for every } n.$$

Remark. In [2] it is shown that $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n|b_n| \leq 1$ which gives further that $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |b_n| \leq 1/2$. Hence, the inequality

$$(2.3) \quad \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n|a_n| \leq \frac{1+3\beta-2\alpha\beta}{2(1+\beta)}$$

would be a necessary condition for f to be in $B(\alpha, \beta)$. The inequality (2.3) would also be a sufficient condition if we drop the condition (ii) in the above definition.

Theorem 2. $B(\alpha, \beta) \subseteq K(\alpha, \beta)$.

Proof. Taking (ii) into account, we have

$$\left| \frac{\frac{zf'(z)}{\varphi(z)} - 1}{\frac{zf'(z)}{\varphi(z)} + (1-2\alpha)} \right| = \left| \frac{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [n|a_n| - |b_n|]z^n}{2(1-\alpha)z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [n|a_n| + (1-2\alpha)|b_n|]z^n} \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [n|a_n| - |b_n|]}{2(1-\alpha) - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} [n|a_n| + (1-2\alpha)|b_n|]}$$

which is bounded above by β if (i) holds. Hence $B(\alpha, \beta) \subseteq K(\alpha, \beta)$

Remarks 1. $S(\alpha, \beta) \subseteq B(\alpha, \beta)$. It can be verified by taking $\varphi(z)=f(z)$ and applying

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \{(n-1) + \beta(n+1-2\alpha)\} |a_n| \leq 2\beta(1-\alpha)$$

which is a necessary and sufficient condition for a function $f \in S$ to be in $S(\alpha, \beta)$, see [1, Theorem 1].

2. $B(\alpha_1, \beta_1) \subseteq B(\alpha, \beta)$ for $0 \leq \alpha < \alpha_1 < 1$ and $0 < \beta_1 < \beta \leq 1$.

3. $B(0, 1) = S(0, 1)$, ([1, Theorem 1]).

Theorem 3 [Coefficient estimates]. If $f(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |a_n| z^n$ is in $B(\alpha, \beta)$, then

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{2\beta(1-\alpha)n + (1-\beta + 2\alpha\beta)}{(1+\beta)n^2}$$

with equality only for functions of the form

$$(2.4) \quad f_n(z) = z - \frac{2\beta(1-\alpha)n + (1-\beta + 2\alpha\beta)}{(1+\beta)n^2} z^n.$$

Proof. From (i) we have

$$(1+\beta)n|a_n| \leq 2\beta(1-\alpha) + (1-\beta + 2\alpha\beta)|b_n|$$

$$\leq 2\beta(1-\alpha) + (1-\beta + 2\alpha\beta)n^{-1}$$

because for $\varphi(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |b_n| z^n \in S$, $|b_n| \leq 1/n$. This further gives that

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{2\beta(1-\alpha)n + (1-\beta + 2\alpha\beta)}{(1+\beta)n^2}$$

which is the required condition.

The function $f_n(z)$ defined in (2.4) is an extremal function with respect to $\varphi(z) = z - n^{-1}z^n \in S$.

Theorem 4 [Distortion Theorem]. *If $f \in B(\alpha, \beta)$, then for $|z| \leq r < 1$,*

$$(2.5) \quad r - \frac{1+3\beta-2\alpha\beta}{4(1+\beta)}r^2 \leq |f(z)| \leq r + \frac{1+3\beta-2\alpha\beta}{4(1+\beta)}r^2.$$

$$(2.6) \quad 1 - \frac{1+3\beta-2\alpha\beta}{2(1+\beta)}r \leq |f'(z)| \leq 1 + \frac{1+3\beta-2\alpha\beta}{2(1+\beta)}r.$$

Proof. On account of (2.3), we get

$$2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |a_n| \leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n |a_n| \leq \frac{1+3\beta-2\alpha\beta}{2(1+\beta)}.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} |f(z)| &\leq r + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |a_n| r^n \leq r + r^2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |a_n| \\ &\leq r + \frac{1+3\beta-2\alpha\beta}{4(1+\beta)}r^2, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$|f(z)| \geq r - r^2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |a_n| \geq r - \frac{1+3\beta-2\alpha\beta}{4(1+\beta)}r^2.$$

Thus (2.5) follows.

Further

$$\begin{aligned} |f'(z)| &\leq 1 + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n |a_n| |z|^{n-1} \\ &\leq 1 + r \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n |a_n| \end{aligned}$$

and

$$|f'(z)| \leq 1 - r \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n |a_n|.$$

Using (2.3), we get (2.6).

Remark. The bounds in (2.5) and (2.6) are sharp, since the equalities are attained for the functions

$$(2.7) \quad f(z) = z - \frac{1+3\beta-2\alpha\beta}{4(1+\beta)}z^2, \quad z = \pm r.$$

Theorem 5. *Let $f \in B(\alpha, \beta)$. Then the disk $|z| < 1$ is mapped onto a domain that contains the disk $|w| < (3 + \beta + 2\alpha\beta/4(1 + \beta))$. The result is sharp with extremal function defined in (2.7).*

Proof. By letting $r \rightarrow 1$ in (2.5), the proof follows.

Theorem 6. *The class $B(\alpha, \beta)$ is convex.*

Proof. We shall prove the result by using the convexity of the class S .

Let $f_1(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |a_n| z^n$ and $f_2(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |c_n| z^n$ be in $B(\alpha, \beta)$ with respect to functions $\varphi_1(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |b_n| z^n$ and $\varphi_2(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |d_n| z^n$ in S . For $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$, we shall prove that $F(z) = \lambda f_1(z) + (1 - \lambda) f_2(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} e_n(\lambda) z^n \in B(\alpha, \beta)$ with respect to $\Psi(z) = \lambda \varphi_1(z) + (1 - \lambda) \varphi_2(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} t_n(\lambda) z^n \in S$. The function $F(z)$ will belong to $B(\alpha, \beta)$ if

$$(i) \quad \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \{(1 + \beta) n e_n(\lambda) - (1 - \beta + 2\alpha\beta) t_n(\lambda)\} \leq 2\beta(1 - \alpha)$$

and

$$(ii) \quad n e_n(\lambda) - t_n(\lambda) \geq 0 \text{ for all } n.$$

Since

$$n |a_n| - |b_n| \geq 0 \text{ and } n |c_n| - |d_n| \geq 0$$

for all n , we easily get $n e_n(\lambda) - t_n(\lambda) \geq 0$ for each n . Further

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \{n(1 + \beta) e_n(\lambda) - (1 - \beta + 2\alpha\beta) t_n(\lambda)\} \\ &= \lambda \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \{(1 + \beta) n |a_n| - (1 - \beta + 2\alpha\beta) |b_n|\} \\ & \quad + (1 - \lambda) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \{(1 + \beta) n |c_n| - (1 - \beta + 2\alpha\beta) |d_n|\} \\ & \leq 2\beta(1 - \alpha). \end{aligned}$$

The result follows.

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