

A UNIFIED PRESENTATION OF CERTAIN
CLASSES OF STARLIKE AND CONVEX
FUNCTIONS WITH NEGATIVE
COEFFICIENTS

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ABSTRACT

The authors introduce and study a unified class $\mathcal{A}(\alpha, \beta, n)$ of starlike and convex functions of order α in the open unit disk \mathcal{U} . They prove a number of theorems involving, for example, sharp distortion inequalities for, and modified Hadamard product (or convolution) of, functions belonging to the class $\mathcal{A}(\alpha, \beta, n)$. It is also shown how these theorems would apply to yield various results given in the literature.

1. INTRODUCTION, DEFINITIONS, AND PRELIMINARIES

Let $\mathcal{A}(n)$ denote the class of functions of the form:

$$(1.1) \quad f(z) = z - \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_k z^k \quad (a_k \geq 0; n \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\})$$

which are analytic in the open unit disk $\mathcal{U} = \{z : |z| < 1\}$. A function $f(z)$ belonging to the class $\mathcal{A}(n)$ is said to be starlike of order α if and only if

$$(1.2) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} > \alpha$$

for some α ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$) and for all $z \in \mathcal{U}$. We denote by $\mathcal{T}_\alpha(n)$ the subclass of $\mathcal{A}(n)$ consisting of functions which are starlike of order α in \mathcal{U} .

A function $f(z)$ belonging to the class $\mathcal{A}(n)$ is said to be convex of order α if and only if

$$(1.3) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right\} > \alpha$$

for some α ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$) and for all $z \in \mathcal{U}$. We denote by $\mathcal{C}_\alpha(n)$ the subclass of $\mathcal{A}(n)$ consisting of all convex functions of order α in \mathcal{U} . We also note that

$$(1.4) \quad \mathcal{T}_\alpha(n) \subseteq \mathcal{T}_\beta(n) \quad (0 \leq \beta \leq \alpha < 1),$$

$$(1.5) \quad \mathcal{C}_\alpha(n) \subseteq \mathcal{C}_\beta(n) \quad (0 \leq \beta \leq \alpha < 1),$$

and

$$(1.6) \quad f(z) \in \mathcal{C}_\alpha(n) \Leftrightarrow zf'(z) \in \mathcal{T}_\alpha(n) \quad (0 \leq \alpha < 1).$$

The classes $\mathcal{T}_\alpha(n)$ and $\mathcal{C}_\alpha(n)$ were introduced by Chatterjea [1], and were studied subsequently by Srivastava, Owa, and Chatterjea [5], and by Srivastava, Saigo, and Owa [6]. In particular, $\mathcal{T}_\alpha(1)$ and $\mathcal{C}_\alpha(1)$ are the classes $\mathcal{T}^*(\alpha)$ and $\mathcal{C}(\alpha)$, respectively, introduced by Silverman [4]. (For a systematic presentation of various other interesting subclasses of analytic functions, see (for example) Duren [2].)

For the general classes $\mathcal{T}_\alpha(n)$ and $\mathcal{C}_\alpha(n)$, Chatterjea [1] gave the following lemmas which (as already observed by Srivastava, Owa, and Chatterjea [5, p. 117], and also by Srivastava, Saigo, and Owa [6, p. 415, Remark 1]) are immediate consequences of certain results of Silverman [4].

LEMMA 1. A function $f(z)$ defined by (1.1) is in the class $\mathcal{S}_\alpha(n)$ if and only if

$$(1.7) \quad \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{k-\alpha}{1-\alpha} \right] a_k \leq 1 \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}).$$

The result (1.7) is sharp.

LEMMA 2. A function $f(z)$ defined by (1.1) is in the class $\mathcal{C}_\alpha(n)$ if and only if

$$(1.8) \quad \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{k(k-\alpha)}{1-\alpha} \right] a_k \leq 1 \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}).$$

The result (1.8) is sharp.

In view of Lemma 1 and Lemma 2, it would seem to be natural to introduce and study an interesting unification of the classes $\mathcal{S}_\alpha(n)$ and $\mathcal{C}_\alpha(n)$. Thus we say that a function $f(z)$ defined by (1.1) belongs to the class $\mathcal{A}(\alpha, \beta, n)$ if and only if

$$(1.9) \quad \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{(k-\alpha)(1-\beta+\beta k)}{1-\alpha} \right] a_k \leq 1 \quad (n \in \mathbb{N})$$

for some α ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$) and some β ($0 \leq \beta \leq 1$). Then, since

$$(1.10) \quad 1 - \beta + \beta k \geq 1 \quad (0 \leq \beta \leq 1; k = n+1, n+2, n+3, \dots; n \in \mathbb{N}),$$

$$(1.11) \quad \mathcal{A}(\alpha, 0, n) = \mathcal{S}_\alpha(n) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{A}(\alpha, 1, n) = \mathcal{C}_\alpha(n) \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}).$$

The object of this paper is to present a unified study of the classes $\mathcal{T}_\alpha(n)$ and $\mathcal{C}_\alpha(n)$ by proving various interesting properties and characteristics of the general class $\mathcal{A}(\alpha, \beta, n)$.

2. DISTORTION INEQUALITIES

Our main distortion inequalities for functions belonging to the class $\mathcal{A}(\alpha, \beta, n)$ are contained in

THEOREM 1. If a function $f(z)$ defined by (1.1) is in the class $\mathcal{A}(\alpha, \beta, n)$, then

$$(2.1) \quad |z| - \frac{1 - \alpha}{(n+1-\alpha)(1+\beta n)} |z|^{n+1} \leq |f(z)| \leq |z| + \frac{1 - \alpha}{(n+1-\alpha)(1+\beta n)} |z|^{n+1}$$

and

$$(2.2) \quad 1 - \frac{(n+1)(1-\alpha)}{(n+1-\alpha)(1+\beta n)} |z|^n \leq |f'(z)| \leq 1 + \frac{(n+1)(1-\alpha)}{(n+1-\alpha)(1+\beta n)} |z|^n$$

for $z \in \mathcal{U}$. The results (2.1) and (2.2) are sharp.

PROOF. Observe from (1.9) that

$$(2.3) \quad \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_k \leq \frac{1 - \alpha}{(n+1-\alpha)(1+\beta n)} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}).$$

Making use of the inequality (2.3), we readily have

$$(2.4) \quad |f(z)| \geq |z| - |z|^{n+1} \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_k \geq |z| - \frac{1-\alpha}{(n+1-\alpha)(1+\beta n)} |z|^{n+1}$$

and

$$(2.5) \quad |f(z)| \leq |z| + |z|^{n+1} \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_k \leq |z| + \frac{1-\alpha}{(n+1-\alpha)(1+\beta n)} |z|^{n+1},$$

which evidently prove the assertion (2.1) of Theorem 1.

Further, since

$$(2.6) \quad \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} k a_k \leq (n+1) \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_k \leq \frac{(n+1)(1-\alpha)}{(n+1-\alpha)(1+\beta n)} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}),$$

we have

$$(2.7) \quad |f'(z)| \geq 1 - |z|^n \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} k a_k \\ \geq 1 - \frac{(n+1)(1-\alpha)}{(n+1-\alpha)(1+\beta n)} |z|^n$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.8) \quad |f'(z)| &\leq 1 + |z|^n \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} k a_k \\
&\leq 1 + \frac{(n+1)(1-\alpha)}{(n+1-\alpha)(1+\beta n)} |z|^n,
\end{aligned}$$

which prove the assertion (2.2) of Theorem 1.

Finally, taking the function

$$(2.9) \quad f(z) = z - \frac{1-\alpha}{(n+1-\alpha)(1+\beta n)} z^{n+1},$$

we see that the results (2.1) and (2.2) are sharp.

REMARK 1. Setting $\beta = 0$ and $\beta = 1$ in Theorem 1, we obtain the corresponding results for the classes $\mathcal{S}_\alpha(n)$ and $\mathcal{C}_\alpha(n)$, given earlier by Srivastava, Owa, and Chatterjea [5, p. 117, Theorem 1; p. 119, Theorem 2].

3. MODIFIED HADAMARD PRODUCTS OR CONVOLUTIONS

For functions $f_j(z)$ ($j = 1, 2$) belonging to the class $\mathcal{A}(n)$ and given by

$$(3.1) \quad f_j(z) = z - \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_{j,k} z^k \quad (a_{j,k} \geq 0; j = 1, 2; n \in \mathbb{N}),$$

we denote by $f_1 \star f_2(z)$ the modified Hadamard product (or convolution) of $f_1(z)$ and $f_2(z)$ defined by

$$(3.2) \quad f_1 \star f_2(z) = z - \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_{1,k} a_{2,k} z^k \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}),$$

and prove

THEOREM 2. Let the functions $f_j(z)$ ($j = 1, 2$) be in the class $\mathcal{A}(\alpha, \beta, n)$. Then $f_1 \star f_2(z)$ belongs to the class $\mathcal{A}(\gamma, \beta, n)$, where

$$(3.3) \quad \gamma = \frac{(n+1-\alpha)^2(1+\beta n) - (n+1)(1-\alpha)^2}{(n+1-\alpha)^2(1+\beta n) - (1-\alpha)^2}.$$

PROOF. Employing the technique used earlier by Schild and Silverman [2], we need to find the largest γ such that

$$(3.4) \quad \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{(k-\gamma)(1-\beta+\beta k)}{1-\gamma} \right] a_{1,k} a_{2,k} \leq 1 \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}).$$

Since the functions $f_j(z)$ ($j = 1, 2$) belong to $\mathcal{A}(\alpha, \beta, n)$, we have

$$(3.5) \quad \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{(k-\alpha)(1-\beta+\beta k)}{1-\alpha} \right] a_{j,k} \leq 1 \quad (j = 1, 2; n \in \mathbb{N}).$$

Therefore, by the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, we find that

$$(3.6) \quad \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{(k-\alpha)(1-\beta+\beta k)}{1-\alpha} \right] \sqrt{a_{1,k} a_{2,k}} \leq 1.$$

Thus it is sufficient to show that

$$(3.7) \quad \left[\frac{(k-\gamma)(1-\beta+\beta k)}{1-\gamma} \right] a_{1,k} a_{2,k} \leq \left[\frac{(k-\alpha)(1-\beta+\beta k)}{1-\alpha} \right] \sqrt{a_{1,k} a_{2,k}} \quad (k \geq n+1),$$

that is, that

$$(3.8) \quad \sqrt{a_{1,k} a_{2,k}} \leq \frac{(k-\alpha)(1-\gamma)}{(1-\alpha)(k-\gamma)} \quad (k \geq n+1).$$

Since (3.6) implies that

$$(3.9) \quad \sqrt{a_{1,k} a_{2,k}} \leq \frac{1-\alpha}{(k-\alpha)(1-\beta+\beta k)} \quad (k \geq n+1),$$

we need only to prove that

$$(3.10) \quad \frac{1-\alpha}{(k-\alpha)(1-\beta+\beta k)} \leq \frac{(k-\alpha)(1-\gamma)}{(1-\alpha)(k-\gamma)} \quad (k \geq n+1),$$

that is, that

$$(3.11) \quad \gamma \leq \frac{(k-\alpha)^2(1-\beta+\beta k) - k(1-\alpha)^2}{(k-\alpha)^2(1-\beta+\beta k) - (1-\alpha)^2} \quad (k \geq n+1).$$

If we set

$$(3.12) \quad \Phi(k) = \frac{(k-\alpha)^2(1-\beta+\beta k) - k(1-\alpha)^2}{(k-\alpha)^2(1-\beta+\beta k) - (1-\alpha)^2} \quad (k \geq n+1),$$

we easily see that $\Phi(k)$ is an increasing function of k . Thus, letting $k = n + 1$ in (3.11), we obtain

$$(3.13) \quad \gamma \leq \Phi(n+1) = \frac{(n+1-\alpha)^2(1+\beta n) - (n+1)(1-\alpha)^2}{(n+1-\alpha)^2(1+\beta n) - (1-\alpha)^2},$$

which evidently proves the assertion of Theorem 2.

Finally, by taking the functions given by

$$(3.14) \quad f_j(z) = z - \frac{1-\alpha}{(n+1-\alpha)(1+\beta n)} z^{n+1} \quad (j = 1, 2; n \in \mathbb{N}),$$

we can see that the result of Theorem 2 is sharp.

REMARK 2. Putting $\beta = 0$ and $\beta = 1$ in Theorem 2, we obtain the corresponding results for the classes $\mathcal{S}_\alpha(n)$ and $\mathcal{S}'_\alpha(n)$, given earlier by Srivastava, Owa, and Chatterjea [5, p. 120, Theorem 3; p. 122, Theorem 4].

Finally, we prove

THEOREM 3. Let the functions $f_j(z)$ ($j = 1, 2$) defined by (3.1) be in the class $\mathcal{A}(\alpha, \beta, n)$. Then the function $h(z)$ defined by

$$(3.15) \quad h(z) = z - \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} (a_{1,k}^2 + a_{2,k}^2) z^k$$

belongs to the class $\mathcal{A}(\gamma, \beta, n)$, where

$$(3.16) \quad \gamma = \frac{(n+1-\alpha)^2(1+\beta n) - 2(n+1)(1-\alpha)^2}{(n+1-\alpha)^2(1+\beta n) - 2(1-\alpha)^2}.$$

The result is sharp for the functions $f_j(z)$ ($j = 1, 2$) given by (3.14).

PROOF. Since

$$(3.17) \quad \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \frac{(k-\alpha)^2(1-\beta+\beta k)^2}{(1-\alpha)^2} a_{j,k}^2 \leq \left[\sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \frac{(k-\alpha)(1-\beta+\beta k)}{1-\alpha} a_{j,k} \right]^2 \leq 1,$$

we have

$$(3.18) \quad \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \frac{(k-\alpha)^2(1-\beta+\beta k)^2}{(1-\alpha)^2} (a_{1,k}^2 + a_{2,k}^2) \leq 2.$$

Thus it is sufficient to find the largest γ such that

$$(3.19) \quad \frac{(k-\gamma)(1-\beta+\beta k)}{1-\gamma} \leq \frac{(k-\alpha)^2(1-\beta+\beta k)^2}{2(1-\alpha)^2},$$

that is, that

$$(3.20) \quad \gamma \leq \frac{(k-\alpha)^2(1-\beta+\beta k) - 2k(1-\alpha)^2}{(k-\alpha)^2(1-\beta+\beta k) - 2(1-\alpha)^2} \quad (k \geq n+1).$$

Note that the function

$$(3.21) \quad \Psi(k) = \frac{(k-\alpha)^2(1-\beta+\beta k) - 2k(1-\alpha)^2}{(k-\alpha)^2(1-\beta+\beta k) - 2(1-\alpha)^2} \quad (k \geq n+1)$$

is an increasing function of k . This implies that

$$(3.22) \quad \gamma \leq \Psi(n+1) = \frac{(n+1-\alpha)^2(1+\beta n) - 2(n+1)(1-\alpha)^2}{(n+1-\alpha)^2(1+\beta n) - 2(1-\alpha)^2},$$

which completes the proof of Theorem 3.

REMARK 3. Taking $\beta = 0$ on Theorem 3, we obtain the corresponding result for the class $\mathcal{E}_\alpha(n)$, given earlier by Srivastava, Owa, and Chatterjea [5, p. 122, Theorem 5].

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