

## A NEW SUBCLASS OF MEROMORPHIC FUNCTION WITH POSITIVE COEFFICIENTS

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ABSTRACT. In the present investigation, the authors define a new class of meromorphic functions defined in the punctured unit disk  $\Delta^* := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : 0 < |z| < 1\}$ . Coefficient inequalities, growth and distortion inequalities, as well as closure results are obtained. We also prove a Property using an integral operator and its inverse defined on the new class.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $\Sigma$  denote the class of normalized meromorphic functions  $f$  of the form

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^n, \quad (1.1)$$

defined on the punctured unit disk

$$\Delta^* := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : 0 < |z| < 1\}.$$

The Hadamard product or convolution of two functions  $f(z)$  given by (1.1) and

$$g(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} g_n z^n \quad (1.2)$$

is defined by

$$(f * g)(z) := \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n g_n z^n.$$

A function  $f \in \Sigma$  is *meromorphic starlike of order*  $\alpha$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ) if

$$-\Re \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right) > \alpha \quad (z \in \Delta := \Delta^* \cup \{0\}).$$

The class of all such functions is denoted by  $\Sigma^*(\alpha)$ . Similarly the class of convex functions of order  $\alpha$  is defined. Let  $\Sigma_P$  be the class of functions  $f \in \Sigma$  with  $a_n \geq 0$ . The subclass of  $\Sigma_P$  consisting of starlike functions of order  $\alpha$  is denoted by  $\Sigma_P^*(\alpha)$ .

Now, we define a new class of functions in Definition 1.

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**Definition 1.** Let  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ . Further, let  $f(z) \in \Sigma_p$  be given by (1.1),  $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ . The class  $M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$  is defined by

$$M_P(\alpha, \lambda) = \left\{ f \in \Sigma_P : \Re \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{(\lambda - 1)f(z) + \lambda zf'(z)} \right) > \alpha \right\}.$$

Clearly,  $M_P(\alpha, 0)$  reduces to the class  $\Sigma_P^*(\alpha)$ .

The class  $\Sigma_P^*(\alpha)$  and various other subclasses of  $\Sigma$  have been studied rather extensively by Clunie [4], Nehari and Netanyahu [8], Pommerenke ([9], [10]), Royster [11], and others (cf., e.g., Bajpai [2], Mogra et al. [7], Uralegaddi and Ganigi [16], Cho et al. [3], Aouf [3], and Uralegaddi and Somanatha [15]; see also Duren [[5], pages 29 and 137], and Srivastava and Owa [[13], pages 86 and 429]) (see also [1]).

In this paper, we obtain the coefficient inequalities, growth and distortion inequalities, as well as closure results for the class  $M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$ . Properties of a certain integral operator and its inverse defined on the new class  $M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$  are also discussed.

## 2. COEFFICIENTS INEQUALITIES

Our first theorem gives a necessary and sufficient condition for a function  $f$  to be in the class  $M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $f(z) \in \Sigma_P$  be given by (1.1). Then  $f \in M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$  if and only if

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1 + n)\} a_n \leq 1 - \alpha. \quad (2.1)$$

*Proof.* If  $f \in M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$ , then

$$\Re \left( \frac{zf'(z)}{(\lambda - 1)f(z) + \lambda zf'(z)} \right) = \Re \left\{ \frac{-1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} na_n z^{n+1}}{-1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\lambda - 1 + \lambda n)a_n z^{n+1}} \right\} > \alpha.$$

By letting  $z \rightarrow 1^-$ , we have

$$\left\{ \frac{-1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} na_n}{-1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\lambda - 1 + \lambda n)a_n} \right\} > \alpha.$$

This shows that (2.1) holds.

Conversely assume that (2.1) holds. It is sufficient to show that

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z) - \{(\lambda - 1)f(z) + \lambda zf'(z)\}}{zf'(z) + (1 - 2\alpha)\{(\lambda - 1)f(z) + \lambda zf'(z)\}} \right| < 1 \quad (z \in \Delta).$$

Using (2.1), we see that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{zf'(z) - \{(\lambda - 1)f(z) + \lambda zf'(z)\}}{zf'(z) + (1 - 2\alpha)\{(\lambda - 1)f(z) + \lambda zf'(z)\}} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - \lambda)(n + 1)a_n z^{n+1}}{-2(1 - \alpha) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [\{1 + (1 - 2\alpha)\lambda\}n + (1 - 2\alpha)(\lambda - 1)] a_n z^{n+1}} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - \lambda)(n + 1)a_n}{2(1 - \alpha) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [\{1 + (1 - 2\alpha)\lambda\}n + (1 - 2\alpha)(\lambda - 1)] a_n} \leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have  $f \in M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$ . □

For the choice of  $\lambda = 0$ , we get the following.

**Remark 2.2.** Let  $f(z) \in \Sigma_P$  be given by (1.1). Then  $f \in \Sigma_P^*(\alpha)$  if and only if

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

Our next result gives the coefficient estimates for functions in  $M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** If  $f \in M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$ , then

$$a_n \leq \frac{1 - \alpha}{\{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1 + n)\}}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

The result is sharp for the functions  $F_n(z)$  given by

$$F_n(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1 - \alpha}{\{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1 + n)\}} z^n, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

*Proof.* If  $f \in M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$ , then we have, for each  $n$ ,

$$\{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1 + n)\} a_n \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1 + n)\} a_n \leq 1 - \alpha.$$

Therefore we have

$$a_n \leq \frac{1 - \alpha}{\{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1 + n)\}}.$$

Since

$$F_n(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1 - \alpha}{\{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1 + n)\}} z^n$$

satisfies the conditions of Theorem 2.1,  $F_n(z) \in M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$  and the equality is attained for this function. □

For  $\lambda = 0$ , we have the following corollary.

**Remark 2.4.** If  $f \in \Sigma_P^*(\alpha)$ , then

$$a_n \leq \frac{1 - \alpha}{n + \alpha}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

**Theorem 2.5.** If  $f \in M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$ , then

$$\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1 - \alpha}{1 + \alpha - 2\alpha\lambda} r \leq |f(z)| \leq \frac{1}{r} + \frac{1 - \alpha}{1 + \alpha - 2\alpha\lambda} r \quad (|z| = r).$$

The result is sharp for

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1 - \alpha}{\{1 + \alpha - 2\alpha\lambda\}} z. \tag{2.2}$$

*Proof.* Since  $f(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ , we have

$$|f(z)| \leq \frac{1}{r} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n r^n \leq \frac{1}{r} + r \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n.$$

Since,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \leq \frac{1 - \alpha}{1 + \alpha - 2\alpha\lambda}.$$

Using this, we have

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

Similarly

$$|f(z)| \geq \frac{1}{r} - \frac{1-\alpha}{1+\alpha-2\alpha\lambda}r.$$

The result is sharp for  $f(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1-\alpha}{1+\alpha-2\alpha\lambda}z$ .  $\square$

Similarly we have the following:

**Theorem 2.6.** *If  $f \in M_p(\alpha, \lambda)$ , then*

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

*The result is sharp for the function given by (2.2).*

### 3. NEIGHBORHOODS FOR THE CLASS $M_p^{(\gamma)}(\alpha, \lambda)$

In this section, we determine the neighborhood for the class  $M_p^{(\gamma)}(\alpha, \lambda)$ , which we define as follows:

**Definition 2.** *A function  $f \in \Sigma_p$  is said to be in the class  $M_p^{(\gamma)}(\alpha, \lambda)$  if there exists a function  $g \in M_p(\alpha, \lambda)$  such that*

$$\left| \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} - 1 \right| < 1 - \gamma, \quad (z \in \Delta, 0 \leq \gamma < 1). \quad (3.1)$$

Following the earlier works on neighborhoods of analytic functions by Goodman [6] and Ruscheweyh [14], we define the  $\delta$ -neighborhood of a function  $f \in \Sigma_p$  by

$$N_\delta(f) := \left\{ g \in \Sigma_p : g(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n z^n \text{ and } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n|a_n - b_n| \leq \delta \right\}. \quad (3.2)$$

**Theorem 3.1.** *If  $g \in M_p(\alpha, \lambda)$  and*

$$\gamma = 1 - \frac{\delta(1+\alpha-2\alpha\lambda)}{2\alpha-2\alpha\lambda}, \quad (3.3)$$

*then*

$$N_\delta(g) \subset M_p^{(\gamma)}(\alpha, \lambda).$$

*Proof.* Let  $f \in N_\delta(g)$ . Then we find from (3.2) that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n|a_n - b_n| \leq \delta, \quad (3.4)$$

which implies the coefficient inequality

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n - b_n| \leq \delta, \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}). \quad (3.5)$$

Since  $g \in M_p(\alpha, \lambda)$ , we have [cf. equation (2.1)]

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \leq \frac{1-\alpha}{1+\alpha-2\alpha\lambda}, \quad (3.6)$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{f(z)}{g(z)} - 1 \right| &< \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n - b_n|}{1 - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n} \\ &= \frac{\delta(1 + \alpha - 2\alpha\lambda)}{2\alpha - 2\alpha\lambda} \\ &= 1 - \gamma, \end{aligned}$$

provided  $\gamma$  is given by (3.3). Hence, by definition,  $f \in M_P^{(\gamma)}(\alpha, \lambda)$  for  $\gamma$  given by (3.3), which completes the proof.  $\square$

4. CLOSURE THEOREMS

Let the functions  $F_k(z)$  be given by

$$F_k(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_{n,k} z^n, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, m. \tag{4.1}$$

We shall prove the following closure theorems for the class  $M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$ .

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let the function  $F_k(z)$  defined by (4.1) be in the class  $M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$  for every  $k = 1, 2, \dots, m$ . Then the function  $f(z)$  defined by*

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^n \quad (a_n \geq 0)$$

*belongs to the class  $M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$ , where  $a_n = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=1}^m f_{n,k}$  ( $n = 1, 2, \dots$ )*

*Proof.* Since  $F_n(z) \in M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$ , it follows from Theorem 2.1 that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1 + n)\} f_{n,k} \leq 1 - \alpha \tag{4.2}$$

for every  $k = 1, 2, \dots, m$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1 + n)\} a_n &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1 + n)\} \left( \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=1}^m f_{n,k} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=1}^m \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1 + n)\} f_{n,k} \right) \\ &\leq 1 - \alpha. \end{aligned}$$

By Theorem 2.1, it follows that  $f(z) \in M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.2.** *The class  $M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$  is closed under convex linear combination.*

*Proof.* Let the function  $F_k(z)$  given by (4.1) be in the class  $M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$ . Then it is enough to show that the function

$$H(z) = \lambda F_1(z) + (1 - \lambda)F_2(z) \quad (0 \leq \lambda \leq 1)$$

is also in the class  $M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$ . Since for  $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$ ,

$$H(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [\lambda f_{n,1} + (1 - \lambda)f_{n,2}] z^n,$$

we observe that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1+n)\} [\lambda f_{n,1} + (1-\lambda)f_{n,2}] \\ &= \lambda \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1+n)\} f_{n,1} + (1-\lambda) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1+n)\} f_{n,2} \\ &\leq 1 - \alpha. \end{aligned}$$

By Theorem 2.1, we have  $H(z) \in M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.3.** Let  $F_0(z) = \frac{1}{z}$  and  $F_n(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1-\alpha}{\{n+\alpha-\alpha\lambda(1+n)\}} z^n$  for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ . Then  $f(z) \in M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$  if and only if  $f(z)$  can be expressed in the form  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_n F_n(z)$  where  $\lambda_n \geq 0$  and  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_n = 1$ .

*Proof.* Let

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_n F_n(z) \\ &= \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_n(1-\alpha)}{\{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1+n)\}} z^n. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n \frac{1-\alpha}{\{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1+n)\}} \frac{\{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1+n)\}}{(1-\alpha)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n = 1 - \lambda_0 \leq 1.$$

By Theorem 2.1, we have  $f(z) \in M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$ .

Conversely, let  $f(z) \in M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$ . From Theorem 2.3, we have

$$a_n \leq \frac{1-\alpha}{\{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1+n)\}} \quad \text{for } n = 1, 2, \dots$$

we may take

$$\lambda_n = \frac{\{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1+n)\}}{1-\alpha} a_n \quad \text{for } n = 1, 2, \dots$$

and

$$\lambda_0 = 1 - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n.$$

Then

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_n F_n(z).$$

$\square$

5. PARTIAL SUMS

Silverman [12] determined sharp lower bounds on the real part of the quotients between the normalized starlike or convex functions and their sequences of partial sums. As a natural extension, one is interested to search results analogous to those of Silverman for meromorphic univalent functions. In this section, motivated essentially by the work of silverman [12] and Cho and Owa [3] we will investigate the ratio of a function of the form

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^n, \tag{5.1}$$

to its sequence of partial sums

$$f_1(z) = \frac{1}{z} \text{ and } f_k(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^k a_n z^n \tag{5.2}$$

when the coefficients are sufficiently small to satisfy the condition analogous to

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1 + n)\} a_n \leq 1 - \alpha.$$

For the sake of brevity we rewrite it as

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} d_n |a_n| \leq 1 - \alpha, \tag{5.3}$$

where

$$d_n := n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1 + n) \tag{5.4}$$

More precisely we will determine sharp lower bounds for  $\Re\{f(z)/f_k(z)\}$  and  $\Re\{f_k(z)/f(z)\}$ .

In this connection we make use of the well known results that  $\Re\left\{\frac{1+w(z)}{1-w(z)}\right\} > 0$  ( $z \in \Delta$ ) if and only if  $\omega(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n z^n$  satisfies the inequality  $|\omega(z)| \leq |z|$ . Unless otherwise stated, we will assume that  $f$  is of the form (1.1) and its sequence of partial sums is denoted by  $f_k(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^k a_n z^n$ .

**Theorem 5.1.** *Let  $f(z) \in M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$  be given by (5.1) satisfies condition, (2.1)*

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{f(z)}{f_k(z)} \right\} \geq \frac{d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha) - 1 + \alpha}{d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha)} \quad (z \in U) \tag{5.5}$$

where

$$d_n(\lambda, \alpha) \geq \begin{cases} 1 - \alpha, & \text{if } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots, k \\ d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha), & \text{if } n = k + 1, k + 2, \dots \end{cases} \tag{5.6}$$

The result (5.5) is sharp with the function given by

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1 - \alpha}{d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha)} z^{k+1}. \tag{5.7}$$

*Proof.* Define the function  $w(z)$  by

$$\frac{1 + w(z)}{1 - w(z)} = \frac{d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha)}{1 - \alpha} \left[ \frac{f(z)}{f_k(z)} - \frac{d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha) - 1 + \alpha}{d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha)} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1 + \sum_{n=1}^k a_n z^{n+1} + \left(\frac{d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha)}{1-\alpha}\right) \sum_{n=k+1}^{\infty} a_n z^{n+1}}{1 + \sum_{n=1}^k a_n z^{n+1}} \quad (5.8)$$

It suffices to show that  $|w(z)| \leq 1$ . Now, from (5.8) we can write

$$w(z) = \frac{\left(\frac{d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha)}{1-\alpha}\right) \sum_{n=k+1}^{\infty} a_n z^{n+1}}{2 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^k a_n z^{n+1} + \left(\frac{d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha)}{1-\alpha}\right) \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} a_n z^{n+1}}.$$

Hence we obtain

$$|w(z)| \leq \frac{\left(\frac{d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha)}{1-\alpha}\right) \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} |a_n|}{2 - 2 \sum_{n=1}^k |a_n| - \left(\frac{d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha)}{1-\alpha}\right) \sum_{n=k+1}^{\infty} |a_n|}$$

Now  $|w(z)| \leq 1$  if

$$2 \left(\frac{d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha)}{1-\alpha}\right) \sum_{n=k+1}^{\infty} |a_n| \leq 2 - 2 \sum_{n=1}^k |a_n|$$

or, equivalently,

$$\sum_{n=1}^k |a_n| + \frac{d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha)}{1-\alpha} \sum_{n=k+1}^{\infty} |a_n| \leq 1.$$

From the condition (2.1), it is sufficient to show that

$$\sum_{n=1}^k |a_n| + \frac{d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha)}{1-\alpha} \sum_{n=k+1}^{\infty} |a_n| \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{d_n(\lambda, \alpha)}{1-\alpha} |a_n|$$

which is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=1}^k \left(\frac{d_n(\lambda, \alpha) - 1 + \alpha}{1-\alpha}\right) |a_n| \\ & + \sum_{n=k+1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{d_n(\lambda, \alpha) - d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha)}{1-\alpha}\right) |a_n| \\ & \geq 0 \end{aligned} \quad (5.9)$$

To see that the function given by (5.7) gives the sharp result, we observe that for  $z = r e^{i\pi/k}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f(z)}{f_k(z)} &= 1 + \frac{1-\alpha}{d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha)} z^n \rightarrow 1 - \frac{1-\alpha}{d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha)} \\ &= \frac{d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha) - 1 + \alpha}{d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha)} \quad \text{when } r \rightarrow 1^-. \end{aligned}$$



which shows the bound (5.5) is the best possible for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . □

The proof of the next theorem is much akin to that of the earlier theorem and hence we state the theorem without proof.

**Theorem 5.2.** *Let  $f(z) \in M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$  be given by (5.1) satisfies condition, (2.1)*

$$Re \left\{ \frac{f_k(z)}{f(z)} \right\} \geq \frac{d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha)}{d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha) + 1 - \alpha} \quad (z \in U) \tag{5.10}$$

where

$$d_n(\lambda, \alpha) \geq \begin{cases} 1 - \alpha, & \text{if } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots, k \\ d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha), & \text{if } n = k + 1, k + 2, \dots \end{cases} \tag{5.11}$$

The result (5.10) is sharp with the function given by

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1 - \alpha}{d_{k+1}(\lambda, \alpha)} z^{k+1}. \tag{5.12}$$

### 6. RADIUS OF MEROMORPHIC STARLIKENESS AND MEROMORPHIC CONVEXITY

The radii of starlikeness and convexity for the class are given by the following theorems for the class  $M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$ .

**Theorem 6.1.** *Let the function  $f$  be in the class  $M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$ . Then  $f$  is meromorphically starlike of order  $\rho$  ( $0 \leq \rho < 1$ ), in  $|z| < r_1(\alpha, \lambda, \rho)$ , where*

$$r_1(\alpha, \lambda, \rho) = \inf_{n \geq 1} \left[ \frac{(1 - \rho)(1 - \alpha)}{(n + 2 - \rho) \{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1 + n)\}} \right]^{\frac{1}{n+1}}, \tag{6.1}$$

*Proof.* Since,

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^n,$$

we get

$$f'(z) = -\frac{1}{z^2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n z^{n-1}.$$

It is sufficient to show that

$$\left| -\frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right| \leq 1 - \rho \tag{6.2}$$

or equivalently

$$\left| \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} + 1 \right| = \left| \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n + 1) a_n z^n}{\frac{1}{z} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^n} \right| \leq 1 - \rho$$

or

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{n + 2 - \rho}{1 - \rho} \right) a_n |z|^{n+1} \leq 1,$$

for  $0 \leq \rho < 1$ , and  $|z| < r_1(\alpha, \lambda, \rho)$ . By Theorem 2.1, (6.2) will be true if

$$\left( \frac{n + 2 - \rho}{1 - \rho} \right) |z|^{n+1} \leq \frac{1 - \alpha}{\{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1 + n)\}}$$

or, if

$$|z| \leq \left[ \frac{(1-\rho)(1-\alpha)}{(n+2-\rho)\{n+\alpha-\alpha\lambda(1+n)\}} \right]^{\frac{1}{n+1}}, \quad n \geq 1. \quad (6.3)$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 6.1.  $\square$

**Theorem 6.2.** *Let the function  $f$  in the class  $M_P(\alpha, \lambda)$ . Then  $f$  is meromorphically convex of order  $\rho$ , ( $0 \leq \rho < 1$ ), in  $|z| < r_2(\alpha, \lambda, \rho)$ , where*

$$r_2(\alpha, \lambda, \rho) = \inf_{n \geq 1} \left[ \frac{(1-\rho)(1-\alpha)}{n(n+2-\rho)\{n+\alpha-\alpha\lambda(1+n)\}} \right]^{\frac{1}{n+1}}, \quad n \geq 1, \quad (6.4)$$

*Proof.* Since,

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^n,$$

we get

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

It is sufficient to show that

$$\left| -1 - \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} - 1 \right| \leq 1 - \rho \text{ or equivalently} \quad (6.5)$$

$$\left| \frac{z f''(z)}{f'(z)} + 2 \right| = \left| \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n(n+1) a_n z^{n-1}}{-\frac{1}{z^2} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n z^{n-1}} \right| \leq 1 - \rho \text{ or}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{n(n+2-\rho)}{1-\rho} \right) a_n |z|^{n+1} \leq 1,$$

for  $0 \leq \rho < 1$ , and  $|z| < r_2(\alpha, \lambda, \rho)$ . By Theorem 2.1, (6.5) will be true if

$$\left( \frac{n(n+2-\rho)}{1-\rho} \right) |z|^{n+1} \leq \frac{(1-\alpha)}{\{n+\alpha-\alpha\lambda(1+n)\}}$$

or, if

$$|z| \leq \left[ \frac{(1-\rho)(1-\alpha)}{n(n+2-\rho)\{n+\alpha-\alpha\lambda(1+n)\}} \right]^{\frac{1}{n+1}}, \quad n \geq 1. \quad (6.6)$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 6.2.  $\square$

## 7. INTEGRAL OPERATORS

In this section, we consider integral transforms of functions in the class  $M_p(\alpha, \lambda)$ .

**Theorem 7.1.** *Let the function  $f(z)$  given by (1) be in  $M_p(\alpha, \lambda)$ . Then the integral operator*

$$F(z) = c \int_0^1 u^c f(uz) du \quad (0 < u \leq 1, 0 < c < \infty)$$

is in  $M_p(\delta, \lambda)$ , where

$$\delta = \frac{(c+2)\{1+\alpha-2\alpha\lambda\} - c(1-\alpha)}{c(1-\alpha)\{1-2\lambda\} + (1+\alpha)\{1-2\lambda\}(c+2)}.$$

The result is sharp for the function  $f(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1-\alpha}{\{1+\alpha-2\alpha\lambda\}}z$ .

*Proof.* Let  $f(z) \in M_p(\alpha, \lambda)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} F(z) &= c \int_0^1 u^c f(uz) du \\ &= c \int_0^1 \left( \frac{u^{c-1}}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n u^{n+c} z^n \right) du \\ &= \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{c}{c+n+1} f_n z^n. \end{aligned}$$

It is sufficient to show that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{c \{n + \delta - \delta\lambda(1 + n)\}}{(c + n + 1)(1 - \delta)} a_n \leq 1. \tag{7.1}$$

Since  $f \in M_p(\alpha, \lambda)$ , we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1 + n)\}}{(1 - \alpha)} a_n \leq 1.$$

Note that (7.1) is satisfied if

$$\frac{c \{n + \delta - \delta\lambda(1 + n)\}}{(c + n + 1)(1 - \delta)} \leq \frac{\{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1 + n)\}}{(1 - \alpha)}.$$

Rewriting the inequality, we have

$$c \{n + \delta - \delta\lambda(1 + n)\} (1 - \alpha) \leq (c + n + 1)(1 - \delta) \{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1 + n)\}.$$

Solving for  $\delta$ , we have

$$\delta \leq \frac{(c + n + 1) \{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1 + n)\} - cn(1 - \alpha)}{c(1 - \alpha) \{1 - \lambda(1 + n)\} + \{(n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1 + n))\} (c + n + 1)} = F(n).$$

A simple computation will show that  $F(n)$  is increasing and  $F(n) \geq F(1)$ . Using this, the results follows.  $\square$

For the choice of  $\lambda = 0$ , we have the following result of Uralegaddi and Ganigi [15].

**Remark 7.2.** Let the function  $f(z)$  defined by (1) be in  $\Sigma_p^*(\alpha)$ . Then the integral operator

$$F(z) = c \int_0^1 u^c f(uz) du \quad (0 < u \leq 1, 0 < c < \infty)$$

is in  $\Sigma_p^*(\delta)$ , where  $\delta = \frac{1+\alpha+c\alpha}{1+\alpha+c}$ . The result is sharp for the function

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1 - \alpha}{1 + \alpha} z.$$

Also we have the following:

**Theorem 7.3.** Let  $f(z)$ , given by (1), be in  $M_p(\alpha, \lambda)$ ,

$$F(z) = \frac{1}{c}[(c+1)f(z) + zf'(z)] = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{c+n+1}{c} f_n z^n, \quad c > 0. \quad (7.2)$$

Then  $F(z)$  is in  $M_p(\alpha, \lambda)$  for  $|z| \leq r(\alpha, \lambda, \beta)$  where

$$r(\alpha, \lambda, \beta) = \inf_n \left( \frac{c(1-\beta) \{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1+n)\}}{(1-\alpha)(c+n+1) \{n + \beta - \beta\lambda(1+n)\}} \right)^{1/(n+1)}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

The result is sharp for the function  $f_n(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1-\alpha}{\{n+\alpha-\alpha\lambda(1+n)\}} z^n$ ,  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

*Proof.* Let  $w = \frac{zf'(z)}{(\lambda-1)f(z) + \lambda zf'(z)}$ . Then it is sufficient to show that

$$\left| \frac{w-1}{w+1-2\beta} \right| < 1.$$

A computation shows that this is satisfied if

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\{n + \beta - \beta\lambda(1+n)\} (c+n+1)}{(1-\beta)c} a_n |z|^{n+1} \leq 1. \quad (7.3)$$

Since  $f \in M_p(\alpha, \lambda)$ , by Theorem 2.1, we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1+n)\} a_n \leq 1 - \alpha.$$

The equation (7.3) is satisfied if

$$\frac{\{n + \beta - \beta\lambda(1+n)\} (c+n+1)}{(1-\beta)c} a_n |z|^{n+1} \leq \frac{\{n + \alpha - \alpha\lambda(1+n)\} a_n}{1-\alpha}.$$

Solving for  $|z|$ , we get the result.  $\square$

For the choice of  $\lambda = 0$ , we have the following result of Uralegaddi and Ganigi [15].

**Remark 7.4.** Let the function  $f(z)$  defined by (1) be in  $\Sigma_p^*(\alpha)$  and  $F(z)$  given by (7.2). Then  $F(z)$  is in  $\Sigma_p^*(\alpha)$  for  $|z| \leq r(\alpha, \beta)$  where

$$r(\alpha, \beta) = \inf_n \left( \frac{c(1-\beta)(n+\alpha)}{(1-\alpha)(c+n+1)(n+\beta)} \right)^{1/(n+1)}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

The result is sharp for the function  $f_n(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1-\alpha}{n+\alpha} z^n$ ,  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

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