

First order linear strong differential subordinations

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Abstract

The concept of differential subordination was introduced in [6] by S.S. Miller and P.T. Mocanu and the concept of strong differential subordination was introduced in [1] by J.A. Antonino and S. Romaguera. This last concept was applied in the special case of Briot-Bouquet strong differential subordination. In [8] we study the strong differential subordinations in the general case. In this paper we study the first order linear strong differential subordinations.

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1 Introduction

Let $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}(U)$ denote the class of functions analytic in U . For n a positive integer and $a \in \mathbb{C}$, let

$$\mathcal{H}[a, n] = \{f \in \mathcal{H}; f(z) = a + a_n z^n + a_{n+1} z^{n+1} + \dots, z \in U\}.$$

Let A be the class of functions f of the form

$$f(z) = z + a_2 z^2 + a_3 z^3 + \dots, \quad z \in U,$$

which are analytic in the unit disk.

In addition, we need the class of convex (univalent) and starlike (univalent) functions given respectively by

$$K = \{f \in A; \operatorname{Re} z f''(z)/f'(z) + 1 > 0\}$$

and

$$S^* = \{f \in A, \operatorname{Re} z f'(z)/f(z) > 0\}.$$

In order to prove our main results, we use the following definitions and lemma.

Definition 1. [1], [2], [3] *Let $H(z, \xi)$ be analytic in $U \times \bar{U}$ and let $f(z)$ analytic and univalent in U . The function $H(z, \xi)$ is strongly subordinate to $f(z)$, written $H(z, \xi) \prec\prec f(z)$ if for each $\xi \in \bar{U}$, the function of z , $H(z, \xi)$ is subordinate to $f(z)$.*

Remark 1. Since $f(z)$ is analytic and univalent Definition 1 is equivalent to:

$$H(0, \xi) = f(0) \text{ and } H(U \times \bar{U}) \subset f(U).$$

Definition 2. [7, p.24] We denote by Q the set of functions f that are analytic and injective in $\overline{U} \setminus E(f)$, where

$$E(f) = \left\{ \zeta \in \partial U; \lim_{z \rightarrow \zeta} f(z) = \infty \right\}$$

and are such that $f'(\zeta) \neq 0$ for $\zeta \in \partial U \setminus E(f)$. The subclass of Q for which $f(0) = a$ is denoted by $Q(a)$.

Definition 3. [8, Definition 4] Let Ω be a set in \mathbb{C} , $q \in Q$ and n be a positive integer. The class of admissible functions $\psi_n[\Omega, q]$ consists of those functions $\psi : \mathbb{C}^2 \times U \times \overline{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ that satisfy the admissibility condition:

$$\psi(r, s; z, \xi) \notin \Omega$$

whenever $r = q(\zeta)$, $s = m\zeta q'(\zeta)$, $z \in U$, $\xi \in \overline{U}$, $\zeta \in \partial U \setminus E(f)$ and $m \geq n$.

Lemma A. [7, Lemma 2.2.d, p.24] Let $q \in Q(a)$, with $q(0) = a$ and let $p(z) = a + a_n z^n + \dots$ be analytic in U , with $p(z) \not\equiv a$ and $n \geq 1$. If p is not subordinate to q , then there exist points $z_0 = r_0 e^{i\theta_0} \in U$ and $\zeta_0 \in \partial U \setminus E(q)$, and an $m \geq n \geq 1$ for which $p(U_{r_0}) \subset q(U)$

$$(i) \quad p(z_0) = q(\zeta_0)$$

$$(ii) \quad z_0 p'(z_0) = m \zeta_0 q'(\zeta_0).$$

2 Main results

Taking Definition 1 as starting point, we define the first order linear strong differential subordination as follows:

Definition 4. A strong differential subordination of the form

$$(1) \quad A(z, \xi) z p'(z) + B(z, \xi) p(z) \prec\prec h(z), \quad z \in U, \xi \in \overline{U}$$

where $A(z, \xi)zp'(z) + B(z, \xi)p(z)$ is analytic in U for all $\xi \in \bar{U}$ and $h(z)$ is analytic in U is called first order linear strong differential subordination.

Remark 1. If $A(z, \xi) = 1$ and $B(z, \xi) = 0$ and $h(z)$ is a convex function then (1) becomes

$$zp'(z) \prec h(z), \quad z \in U.$$

This subordination was studied by G.M. Goluzin in 1935 in [4]. Goluzin proved that if h is a convex function then

$$p(z) \prec q(z) = \int_0^z h(t)t^{-1}dt$$

and q is the best dominant of the differential subordination.

In 1970, T.J. Suffridge [10] showed that Goluzin's result remains true even if function h is only starlike.

Remark 2. If $A(z, \xi) = B(z, \xi) = 1$ then (1) becomes

$$zp'(z) + p(z) \prec h(z).$$

This subordination was studied by R.M. Robinson in 1947 in [9]. Robinson proved that if h and $q(z) = z^{-1} \int_0^z h(t)dt$ are univalent then q is the best dominant at least in the disc $|z| < \frac{1}{5}$.

Remark 3. If $A(z, \xi) = \frac{1}{\gamma}$ for $\gamma \neq 0$ and $\operatorname{Re} \gamma \geq 0$ and $B(z, \xi) = 1$ then (1) becomes

$$p(z) + \frac{zp'(z)}{\gamma} \prec h(z).$$

This subordination was studied in 1975 by D.J. Hallenbeck and S. Ruscheweyh [5]. They have proved that if h is convex then the function

$$q(z) = \frac{\gamma}{z^\gamma} \int_0^z h(t)t^{-1}dt$$

is the best dominant of the subordination.

Theorem 1. Let $p \in \mathcal{H}[0, n]$, $A : U \times \bar{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, $B : U \times \bar{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ with $A(z, \xi)zp'(z) + B(z, \xi)p(z)$ analytic in U for all $\xi \in \bar{U}$ and

$$\operatorname{Re} [nA(z, \xi) + B(z, \xi)] \geq 1, \quad \operatorname{Re} A(z, \xi) \geq 0.$$

If

$$(6) \quad A(z, \xi)zp'(z) + B(z, \xi)p(z) \prec\prec Mz, \quad z \in U, \xi \in \bar{U}$$

then

$$p(z) \prec Mz, \quad z \in U, M > 0.$$

Proof. Let $\psi : \mathbb{C}^2 \times U \times \bar{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, $r = p(z)$, $s = zp'(z)$. We have

$$\psi(r, s; z, \xi) = A(z, \xi)zp'(z) + B(z, \xi)p(z)$$

and (6) becomes

$$(7) \quad \psi(r, s; z, \xi) \prec\prec Mz, \quad z \in U, \xi \in \bar{U}.$$

Since $h(z) = Mz$, it results that $h(U) = U(0, M)$. In this case, (7) is equivalent to

$$(8) \quad \psi(r, s; z, \xi) \in U(0, M).$$

Suppose that p is not subordinated to $h(z) = Mz$. Then, by using Lemma A, we have that there exist $z_0 \in U$ and $\zeta_0 \in \partial U$ such that $p(z_0) = h(\zeta_0) = Me^{i\theta_0}$, $\theta_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ when $|\zeta_0| = 1$ and

$$z_0p'(z_0) = m\zeta_0h'(\zeta_0) = Ke^{i\theta_0}, \quad K \geq nM,$$

hence we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi(Me^{i\theta_0}, Ke^{i\theta_0}; z_0, \xi)| &= |A(z_0, \xi)z_0p'(z_0) + B(z_0, \xi)p(z_0)| \\ &= |A(z_0, \xi)Ke^{i\theta_0} + B(z_0, \xi)Me^{i\theta_0}| = |A(z_0, \xi)K + B(z_0, \xi)M| \\ &\geq \operatorname{Re} [KMA(z_0, \xi) + MB(z_0, \xi)] \geq K\operatorname{Re} A(z_0, \xi) + M\operatorname{Re} B(z, \xi) \\ &\geq M[n\operatorname{Re} A(z, \xi) + \operatorname{Re} B(z, \xi)] \geq M. \end{aligned}$$

Since this result contradicts (8), we conclude that the assumption made concerning the subordination relation between p and h is false, hence $p(z) \prec Mz$, $z \in U$.

Theorem 2. Let $p \in \mathcal{H}[1, n]$, $A, B : U \times \bar{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ with $A(z, \xi)zp'(z) + B(z, \xi)p(z)$ a function of z , analytic in U for any $\xi \in \bar{U}$ and

$$\operatorname{Re} A(z, \xi) \geq 0, \quad \operatorname{Im} B(z, \xi) \leq n\operatorname{Re} A(z, \xi).$$

If

$$(9) \quad \operatorname{Re} [A(z, \xi)zp'(z) + B(z, \xi)p(z)] > 0$$

then

$$\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0, \quad z \in U.$$

Proof. Let $\psi : \mathbb{C}^2 \times U \times \bar{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$,

$$\psi(r, s; z, \xi) = A(z, \xi)s + B(z, \xi)r$$

for $r = p(z)$, $s = zp'(z)$. In this case, (9) becomes

$$(10) \quad \operatorname{Re} \psi(r, s; z, \xi) > 0, \quad z \in U, \quad \xi \in \bar{U}.$$

Since

$$h(z) = \frac{1+z}{1-z}, \quad h(U) = \{w \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Re} w(z) > 0\}$$

from which we have that (10) becomes

$$\psi(r, s; z, \xi) \prec \frac{1+z}{1-z}.$$

Suppose that $\operatorname{Re} p(z) < 0$, meaning p is not subordinated to $h(z) = \frac{1+z}{1-z}$. Using Lemma A, we have that there exist $z_0 \in U$ and $\zeta_0 \in \partial U$ with $|\zeta_0| = 1$ such that

$$p(z_0) = h(\zeta_0) = \rho i, \quad z_0 p'(z_0) = m \zeta_0 h'(\zeta_0) = \sigma$$

where $\rho, \sigma \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\sigma \leq -\frac{n}{2}(1 + \rho^2)$, $n \geq 1$.

Then we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \psi(p(z_0), z_0 p'(z_0); z, \xi) &= \operatorname{Re} \psi(h(\zeta_0), m \zeta_0 h'(\zeta_0), z; \xi) \\ &= \operatorname{Re} \psi(\rho i, \sigma; z, \xi) = \operatorname{Re} [A(z, \xi)\sigma + B(z, \xi)\rho i] \\ &= \operatorname{Re} \{A(z, \xi)\sigma + [B_1(z, \xi) + iB_2(z, \xi)]\rho i\} \\ &= \sigma \operatorname{Re} A(z, \xi) - \rho \operatorname{Im} B(z, \xi) \leq -\frac{n}{2}(1 + \rho^2) \operatorname{Re} (z, \xi) - \rho \operatorname{Im} B(z, \xi) \\ &\leq -\frac{n}{2}\rho^2 \operatorname{Re} A(z, \xi) - \rho \operatorname{Im} B(z, \xi) - \frac{n}{2} \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\operatorname{Re} \psi(p(z_0), z_0 p'(z_0); z, \xi) \leq 0$ which contradicts (10) and we conclude that $\operatorname{Re} p(z) > 0$, $z \in U$.

Theorem 3. Let $p \in \mathcal{H}[1, n]$, $A, B : U \times \bar{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ with $A(z, \xi)z p'(z) + B(z, \xi)p(z)$ a function of z , analytic in U for all $\xi \in \bar{U}$ and

$$\operatorname{Re} A(z, \xi) \geq 0, \quad \operatorname{Im} B(z, \xi) \leq n \operatorname{Re} A(z, \xi)[-n \operatorname{Re} A(z, \xi) + z].$$

If

$$(11) \quad A(z, \xi)z p'(z) + B(z, \xi)p(z) \prec\prec z, \quad z \in U, \xi \in \bar{U}$$

then

$$p(z) \prec \frac{1+z}{1-z}, \quad z \in U.$$

Proof. Let $\psi : \mathbb{C}^2 \times U \times \bar{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$,

$$\psi(r, s; z, \xi) = A(z, \xi)s + B(z, \xi)r,$$

for $r = p(z)$, $s = zp'(z)$. Then (11) becomes

$$(12) \quad \psi(r, s; z, \xi) \prec\prec z, \quad z \in U, \xi \in \bar{U}.$$

Since $h(z) = z$, $h(U) = U$ we obtain

$$(13) \quad \psi(r, s; z, \xi) \in U, \quad z \in U, \xi \in \bar{U}.$$

Suppose that p is not subordinated to $q(z) = \frac{1+z}{1-z}$. Using Lemma A, we have that there exist $z_0 \in U$, $\zeta_0 \in \partial U$ such that

$$p(z_0) = q(\zeta_0) = \rho i, \quad z_0 p'(z_0) = m \zeta_0 q'(\zeta_0) = \sigma$$

where $\rho, \sigma \in \mathbb{R}$ and

$$\sigma \leq -\frac{n}{2}(1 + \rho^2), \quad n \geq 1.$$

Then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \psi(p(z_0), z_0 p'(z_0); z_0, \xi) &= \operatorname{Re} \psi(\rho i, \sigma; z_0, \xi) \\ &= \operatorname{Re} [A(z, \xi)\sigma + B(z, \xi)\rho i] = \sigma \operatorname{Re} A(z, \xi) - \rho \operatorname{Im} B(z, \xi) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq -\frac{n}{2}(1 + \rho^2)\operatorname{Re} A(z, \xi) - \rho\operatorname{Im} B(z, \xi) \\ &\leq -\frac{n}{2}\rho^2\operatorname{Re} A(z, \xi) - \rho\operatorname{Im} B(z, \xi) - \frac{n}{2}\operatorname{Re} A(z, \xi) \leq -1. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \psi(p(z_0), zp'(z_0); z_0, \xi) \leq -1$$

which contradicts (13) and we conclude that

$$p(z) \prec \frac{1+z}{1-z}, \quad z \in U.$$

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