

## A GENERALIZATION OF MULTIVALENT FUNCTIONS WITH NEGATIVE COEFFICIENTS

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ABSTRACT. Let  $T_p$  be the class of analytic and  $p$ -valent functions which can be expressed in the form

$$f(z) = z^p - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_{n+p}| z^{n+p}, \quad |z| < 1.$$

The subclasses  $T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$  and  $C_p(A, B, \alpha)$  of  $T_p$  have been considered. Sharp results concerning coefficient estimates, distortion and covering theorems are obtained. The radius of convexity for the class  $T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$  is determined. It is further proved that the classes  $T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$  and  $C_p(A, B, \alpha)$  are closed under arithmetic mean and convex linear combinations.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION.

Let  $S_p$  ( $p \geq 1$ ) denote the class of functions of the form

$$f(z) = z^p + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{p+n} z^{p+n}$$
 which are analytic and  $p$ -valent in the unit disc

$U = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ . A function  $f$  is said to be subordinate to a function  $F$  ( $f \prec F$ ) if there exists an analytic function  $\phi(z)$  with  $|\phi(z)| < |z|$ ,  $z \in U$ , such that  $f = f \cdot \phi$ .

For  $A, B$  fixed,  $-1 \leq A \leq B \leq 1$ , and  $0 \leq \alpha \leq p$ , we say that  $f \in S_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$  if and only if

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} < \frac{p + [pB + (A-B)(p-\alpha)]z}{1 + Bz}, \quad z \in U,$$

or equivalently  $f \in S_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$  if and only if

$$\left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - p \right| < 1, \quad z \in U.$$

$$\left| B \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - [pB + (A-B)(p-\alpha)] \right| < 1, \quad z \in U.$$

Further  $f$  is said to belong to the class  $K_p(A, B, \alpha)$  if and only if  $\frac{zf'(z)}{p} \in S_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$ .

Let  $T_p$  denote the subclass of  $S_p$  consisting of functions analytic and  $p$ -valent which can be expressed in the form

$$f(z) = z^p - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_{p+n}| z^{p+n}, \text{ and we set}$$

$$T_p^*(A, B, \alpha) = S_p^*(A, B, \alpha) \cap T_p \text{ and } C_p(A, B, \alpha) = K_p(A, B, \alpha) \cap T_p.$$

Silverman [3], Gupta and Jain [2] and Silverman and Silvia [4,5] have studied certain subclasses of univalent functions with negative coefficients. Also Goel and Sohi [1] have studied certain subclasses of multivalent functions with negative coefficients. In this paper we obtain coefficient estimates, distortion and covering theorems for the classes  $T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$  and  $C_p(A, B, \alpha)$ . We also determine the radius of convexity for the class  $T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$ . It is further shown that the classes  $T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$  and  $C_p(A, B, \alpha)$  are closed under arithmetic mean and convex linear combinations. By taking  $\alpha=0$ , we get results due to Goel and Sohi [1] and by assigning specific values to  $A$  and  $B$  and taking  $p=1$ , we get results due to Silverman [3] and Gupta and Jain [2].

## 2. COEFFICIENT INEQUALITIES.

**THEOREM 1.** A function  $f(z) = z^p - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_{p+n}| z^{p+n}$  is in  $T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$  if and only if

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [(1+B)n + (B-A)(p-\alpha)] |a_{p+n}| < (B-A)(p-\alpha). \quad (2.1)$$

The result is sharp.

**PROOF.** Let  $|z| = 1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} |zf'(z) - pf(z)| &= |B zf'(z) - [pB + (A-B)(p-\alpha)] f(z)| \\ &= \left| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} -n |a_{p+n}| z^{p+n} \right| - |(B-A)(p-\alpha)z^p| \\ &\quad - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [nB + (B-A)(p-\alpha)] |a_{p+n}| z^{p+n} \\ &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [(1+B)n + (B-A)(p-\alpha)] |a_{p+n}| - (B-A)(p-\alpha) < 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence by the principle of maximum modulus  $f(z) \in T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$ .

Conversely, suppose that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - p \right| \\
 & \leq \left| B \cdot \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - [pB + (A-B)(p-\alpha)] \right| \\
 & = \left| \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n |a_{p+n}| z^{p+n}}{(B-A)(p-\alpha)z^p - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [nB + (B-A)(p-\alpha)] |a_{p+n}| z^{p+n}} \right| < 1, \quad z \in U.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $|\operatorname{Re} z| < |z|$  for all  $z$ , we have

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n |a_{p+n}| z^{p+n}}{(B-A)(p-\alpha)z^p - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [nB + (B-A)(p-\alpha)] |a_{p+n}| z^{p+n}} \right\} < 1. \quad (2.2)$$

Choose values of  $z$  on the real axis so that  $\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}$  is real. Upon clearing the denominator in (2.2) and letting  $z \rightarrow 1$  through real values, we obtain

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n |a_{p+n}| < \{(B-A)(p-\alpha) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [nB + (B-A)(p-\alpha)] |a_{p+n}|\}$$

which implies that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [(1+B)n + (B-A)(p-\alpha)] |a_{p+n}| < (B-A)(p-\alpha).$$

The function

$$f(z) = z^p - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{(1+B)n + (B-A)(p-\alpha)} z^{p+n}$$

is an extremal function.

COROLLARY 1. If  $f \in T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$  then  $|a_{p+n}| < \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{(1+B)n + (B-A)(p-\alpha)}$ , with

equality only for functions of the form  $f(z) = z^p - \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{(1+B)n + (B-A)(p-\alpha)} z^{p+n}$ .

COROLLARY 2. A function  $f(z) = z^p - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_{p+n}| z^{p+n}$  is in  $C_p(A, B, \alpha)$  if and only if

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{n+p}{p} \right) [(1+B)n + (B-A)(p-\alpha)] |a_{p+n}| < (B-A)(p-\alpha).$$

PROOF. It is well known that  $f \in C_p(A, B, \alpha)$  if and only if  $\frac{zf'(z)}{p} \in T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$ .

$$\text{Since } \frac{zf'(z)}{p} = z^p - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{n+p}{p} \right) |a_{p+n}| z^{p+n}$$

we may replace  $|a_{p+n}|$  with  $\left( \frac{n+p}{p} \right) |a_{p+n}|$  in Theorem 1.

## 3. REPRESENTATION FORMULA.

**THEOREM 2.** A function  $f(z) = z^p - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_{n+p}| z^{n+p}$  is in  $T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$  if and only if

$$f(z) = z^p \exp \{ (B-A)(p-\alpha) \int_0^z \frac{\phi(t)}{1-Bt\phi(t)} dt \}, \quad (3.1)$$

where  $\phi(z)$  is analytic in  $U$  and satisfies  $|\phi(z)| < 1$ ,  $z \in U$ .

**PROOF.** Let  $f(z) \in T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$ , then

$$\left| \frac{\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - p}{B \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - [pB + (A-B)(p-\alpha)]} \right| < 1, \quad z \in U.$$

Since the absolute value vanishes for  $z = 0$ , we have

$$\left| \frac{\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - p}{B \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - [pB + (A-B)(p-\alpha)]} \right| = h(z) \quad (3.2)$$

where  $h(z)$  is analytic in  $U$  and  $|h(z)| < 1$  for  $z \in U$ . Integrating (3.2) with  $h(z) = z\phi(z)$  we find that

$$f(z) = z^p \cdot \exp \{ (B-A)(p-\alpha) \int_0^z \frac{\phi(t)}{1-Bt\phi(t)} dt \}.$$

The converse is obtained by differentiating (3.1).

4. DISTORTION AND COVERING THEOREMS FOR  $T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$  and  $C_p(A, B, \alpha)$ .

**THEOREM 3.** If  $f(z) \in T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$ , then

$$r^p - \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{1+B+(B-A)(p-\alpha)} r^{p+1} < |f(z)| <$$

$$r^p + \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{1+B+(B-A)(p-\alpha)} r^{p+1} \quad (|z| = r), \quad (4.1)$$

with equality for  $f(z) = z^p - \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{1+B+(B-A)(p-\alpha)} z^{p+1}$  ( $z = \pm r$ ).

**PROOF.** From Theorem 1, we have

$$[1+B+(B-A)(p-\alpha)] \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_{p+n}| < \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [(1+B)n+(B-A)(p-\alpha)] |a_{p+n}| < (B-A)(p-\alpha).$$

This implies that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_{p+n}| < \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{1+B+(B-A)(p-\alpha)}. \quad (4.2)$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} |f(z)| &< |z|^p + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_{p+n}| |z|^{p+n} \\ &< r^p (1 + r \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_{p+n}|) \end{aligned}$$

$$< r^p + \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{1+B+(B-A)(p-\alpha)} r^{p+1} .$$

Similarly,

$$|f(z)| > |z|^p - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_{p+n}| \cdot |z|^{p+n}$$

$$> r^p (1 - r \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_{p+n}|)$$

$$> r^p - \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{1+B+(B-A)(p-\alpha)} r^{p+1} .$$

COROLLARY 3. If  $f(z) = z^p - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_{n+p}| z^{n+p} \in C_p(A, B, \alpha)$ , then

$$r^p - \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)(p+1)}{p[1+B+(B-A)(p-\alpha)]} r^{p+1} < |f(z)| <$$

$$r^p + \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)(p+1)}{p[1+B+(B-A)(p-\alpha)]} r^{p+1} (\quad |z| = r),$$

with equality for

$$f(z) = z^p - \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)(p+1)}{p[1+B+(B-A)(p-\alpha)]} z^{p+1} (z = \pm r).$$

THEOREM 4. The disc  $|z| < 1$  is mapped onto a domain that contains the disc

$$|w| < \frac{1+B}{1+B+(B-A)(p-\alpha)} \text{ by any } f \in T_p^*(A, B, \alpha), \text{ and onto a domain that contains the}$$

$$\text{disc } |w| < \frac{p+[pB+(A-B)(p-\alpha)]}{p \cdot [1+B+(B-A)(p-\alpha)]} \text{ by any } f \in C_p(A, B, \alpha).$$

The theorem is sharp, with extremal functions

$$z^p - \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{1+B+(B-A)(p-\alpha)} z^{p+1} \in T_p^*(A, B, \alpha) \text{ and}$$

$$z^p + \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)(p+1)}{p[1+B+(B-A)(p-\alpha)]} z^{p+1} \in C_p(A, B, \alpha).$$

PROOF. The results follow upon letting  $r \rightarrow 1$  in Theorem 3 and Corollary 3.

THEOREM 5. If  $f \in T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$ , then

$$pr^{p-1} - \frac{(p+1)(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{1+B+(B-A)(p-\alpha)} r^p < |f'(z)| <$$

$$pr^{p-1} + \frac{(p+1)(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{1+B+(B-A)(p-\alpha)} r^p (\lvert z \rvert = r).$$

Equality holds for

$$f(z) = z^p - \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{1+B+(B-A)(p-\alpha)} z^{p+1} (z = \pm r).$$

PROOF. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \lvert f'(z) \rvert &\leq pr^{p-1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (p+n) \lvert a_{p+n} \rvert r^{p+n-1} \\ &\leq pr^{p-1} + r^p \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (p+n) \lvert a_{p+n} \rvert \\ &= r^{p-1} [p+r \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (p+n) \lvert a_{p+n} \rvert]. \end{aligned} \quad (4.3)$$

In view of Theorem 1,

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1+B) [n+p - \frac{p(1+B)+(A-B)(p-\alpha)}{1+B}] \lvert a_{n+p} \rvert \\ &\leq (B-A)(p-\alpha) \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1+B)(n+p) \lvert a_{n+p} \rvert \leq (B-A)(p-\alpha) + \\ &[p(1+B)+(A-B)(p-\alpha)] \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lvert a_{n+p} \rvert \end{aligned} \quad (4.4)$$

(4.4) with the help of (4.2) implies that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n+p) \lvert a_{n+p} \rvert \leq \frac{(p+1)(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{1+B+(B-A)(p-\alpha)}. \quad (4.5)$$

A substitution of (4.5) into (4.3) yields the right-hand inequality.

On the other-hand

$$\lvert f'(z) \rvert \geq r^{p-1} [p-r \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (p+n) \lvert a_{p+n} \rvert]$$

$$\geq pr^{p-1} - \frac{(p+1)(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{1+B+(B-A)(p-\alpha)} r^p.$$

This completes the proof.

COROLLARY 4. If  $f(z) = z^p - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_{n+p}| z^{n+p} \in C_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$ ,  
then

$$\begin{aligned} pr^{p-1} - \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)(p+1)^2}{p[1+B+(B-A)(p-\alpha)]} r^p &< |f'(z)| < \\ pr^{p-1} + \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)(p+1)^2}{p[1+B+(B-A)(p-\alpha)]} r^p &(|z| = r). \end{aligned}$$

Equality holds for  $f(z) = z^p - \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)(p+1)}{p[1+B+(B-A)(p-\alpha)]} z^{p+1} (z = \pm r)$ .

### 5. RADIUS OF CONVEXITY FOR THE CLASS $T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$ .

THEOREM 6. If  $f(z) \in T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$ , then  $f(z)$  is  $p$ -valently convex in the disc

$$|z| < R_p = \inf_n \left[ \frac{(1+B)n + (B-A)(p-\alpha)}{(B-A)(p-\alpha)} \left( \frac{p}{n+p} \right)^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{n}} \quad (n=1, 2, \dots). \quad (5.1)$$

The result is sharp, with the extremal function

$$f(z) = z^p - \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{(1+B)n + (B-A)(p-\alpha)} z^{p+n}.$$

PROOF. It is sufficient to show that  $\left| \left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) - p \right| < p$  for  $|z| < R_p$ .

We have

$$\left| \left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) - p \right| = \left| \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n(n+p) |a_{n+p}| z^n}{p - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n+p) |a_{n+p}| z^n} \right|$$

$$< \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n(n+p) |a_{n+p}| |z|^n}{p - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n+p) |a_{n+p}| |z|^n}.$$

Thus

$$\left| \left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\right) - p \right| < p \text{ if}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n+p)^2 |a_{n+p}| |z|^n < p^2$$

or

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{n+p}{p} \right)^2 |a_{n+p}| |z|^n < 1. \quad (5.2)$$

According to Theorem 1,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1+B)n + (B-A)(p-\alpha)}{(B-A)(p-\alpha)} |a_{n+p}| < 1$ .

Hence (5.2) will be true if

$$\left(\frac{n+p}{p}\right)^2 |z|^n < \frac{(1+B)n+(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{(B-A)(p-\alpha)}$$

or if

$$|z| < \left[ \frac{(1+B)n+(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{(B-A)(p-\alpha)} \cdot \left( \frac{p}{n+p} \right)^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{n}} \quad (n=1, 2, \dots). \quad (5.3)$$

The theorem follows easily from (5.3).

## 6. CLOSURE THEOREMS.

In this section we shall prove that the classes  $T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$  and  $C_p(A, B, \alpha)$  are closed under convex linear combinations.

**THEOREM 7.** If  $f(z) = z^p - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_{n+p}| z^{n+p}$  and  $g(z) = z^p - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |b_{n+p}| z^{n+p}$  are in  $T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$ , then  $h(z) = z^p - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_{n+p} + b_{n+p}| z^{n+p}$  is also in  $T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$ .

**PROOF.** Since  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  are in  $T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$ , we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [(1+B)n+(B-A)(p-\alpha)] |a_{n+p}| < (B-A)(p-\alpha) \quad (6.1)$$

and

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [(1+B)n+(B-A)(p-\alpha)] |b_{n+p}| < (B-A)(p-\alpha). \quad (6.2)$$

From (6.1) and (6.2) we get

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [(1+B)n+(B-A)(p-\alpha)] |a_{n+p} + b_{n+p}| < (B-A)(p-\alpha)$$

which implies that  $h(z) \in T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$ .

The following theorem can be proven similarly.

**THEOREM 8.** If  $f(z) = z^p - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_{n+p}| z^{n+p}$  and  $g(z) = z^p - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |b_{n+p}| z^{n+p}$  are in  $C_p(A, B, \alpha)$ , then  $h(z) = z^p - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_{n+p} + b_{n+p}| z^{n+p}$  is also in  $C_p(A, B, \alpha)$ .

**THEOREM 9.** Let  $f_p(z) = z^p$ ,  $f_{n+p}(z) = z^p - \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{(1+B)n+(B-A)(p-\alpha)} z^{n+p}$  ( $n=1, 2, 3, \dots$ ).

Then  $f \in T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$  if and only if it can be expressed in the form

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_{n+p} f_{n+p}(z) \text{ where } \lambda_{n+p} > 0 \text{ and } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_{n+p} = 1.$$

**PROOF.** Suppose  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_{n+p} f_{n+p}(z) = z^p - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{(1+B)n+(B-A)(p-\alpha)} \lambda_{n+p} z^{n+p}$ .

Then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [\lambda_{n+p} \frac{(1+B)n+(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{(B-A)(p-\alpha)} \cdot (\frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{(1+B)n+(B-A)(p-\alpha)})]$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_{n+p} < 1 - \lambda_p < 1.$$

So by Theorem 1,  $f(z) \in T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$ .

Conversely suppose  $f(z) \in T_p^*(A, B, \alpha)$ . Then

$$|a_{n+p}| < \frac{(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{(1+B)n+(B-A)(p-\alpha)}.$$

Setting  $\lambda_{n+p} = \frac{(1+B)n+(B-A)(p-\alpha)}{(B-A)(p-\alpha)} |a_{n+p}|$  ( $n=1, 2, \dots$ ),

and

$$\lambda_p = 1 - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_{n+p},$$

we have

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda_{n+p} f_{n+p}(z).$$

This completes the proof of the theorem.

**REMARKS.** (1) Putting  $\alpha=0$  in the above theorems we get the results obtained by R.M. Goel and N.S. Sohi [1].

(2) Putting  $p=1$  and taking  $A=-\beta$ ,  $B=\beta$ , where  $0 < \beta < 1$ , in the above theorems we get the results obtained by Gupta and Jain [2].

(3) Putting  $p=1$  and taking  $A=-1$ ,  $B=1$  in the above theorems we get the results obtained by Silverman [3].

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