

## SUBORDINATION RESULTS FOR A NEW CLASS OF ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS DEFINED BY HURWITZ–LERCH ZETA FUNCTION

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we derive several interesting subordination results for a new class of analytic function defined by the integral operator  $J_{s,b}$  defined in terms of the Hurwitz–Lerch Zeta function.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $A$  denote the class of functions  $f$  of the form:

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k, \quad (1.1)$$

which are analytic in the open unit disc  $U = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ . A function  $f \in A$  is said to be in the class  $S^*(\alpha)$  of starlike functions of order  $\alpha$ , if satisfies the following inequality

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{z f'(z)}{f(z)} \right) > \alpha \quad (0 \leq \alpha < 1; z \in U). \quad (1.2)$$

Also denote by  $K$  the class of functions  $f \in A$  which are convex in  $U$ . Given two functions  $f$  and  $g$  in the class  $A$ , where  $f$  is given by (1.1) and  $g$  is given by  $g(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} b_k z^k$ . The Hadamard product ( or convolution )  $(f * g)(z)$  is defined by

$$(f * g)(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k b_k z^k = (g * f)(z) \quad (z \in U). \quad (1.3)$$

If  $f$  and  $g$  are analytic functions in  $U$ , we say that  $f$  is subordinate to  $g$ , written  $f \prec g$  if there exists a Schwarz function  $w$ , which (by definition) is analytic in  $U$

with  $w(0) = 0$  and  $|w(z)| < 1$  for all  $z \in U$ , such that  $f(z) = g(w(z))$ ,  $z \in U$ . Furthermore, if the function  $g$  is univalent in  $U$ , then we have the following equivalence (cf., e.g., [3] and [14]):

$$f(z) \prec g(z) \quad (z \in U) \Leftrightarrow f(0) = g(0) \text{ and } f(U) \subset g(U).$$

We begin our investigation by recalling that the general Hurwitz-Lerch Zeta function  $\Phi(z, s, a)$  defined by ( see [4])

$$\Phi(z, s, b) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{(k+b)^s}, \tag{1.4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b &\in C \setminus Z_0^- = \{0, -1, -2, \dots\}; Z_0^- = \mathbb{Z} \setminus \mathbb{N}, (\mathbb{Z} = \{0, \overset{+}{-} 1, \overset{+}{-} 2, \dots\}); \\ \mathbb{N} &= \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}); s \in C \text{ when } |z| < 1; R\{s\} > 1 \text{ when } |z| = 1). \end{aligned}$$

Some interesting properties and characteristics of the Hurwitz-Lerch Zeta function  $\Phi(z, s, b)$  can be found in [5], [10], [11], [13] and [19].

Recently, Srivastava and Attiya [18] introduced the linear operator  $J_{s,b} : A \rightarrow A$ , defined in terms of the Hadamard product, by

$$J_{s,b}(f)(z) = G_{s,b}(z) * f(z) \quad (z \in U; b \in C \setminus Z_0^-; s \in C), = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1+b}{k+b}\right)^s a_k z^k, \tag{1.5}$$

where, for convenience,

$$G_{s,b}(z) = (1+b)^s [\Phi(z, s, b) - b^{-s}] \quad (z \in U). \tag{1.6}$$

We note that:

- (i)  $J_{1,0}(f)(z) = J[f](z)$  ( see Alexander [1]);
- (ii)  $J_{1,v}(f)(z) = J_v f(z)$  ( $v > -1; z \in U$ ) (see [2], [9], [12]);
- (iii)  $J_{\gamma,\beta}(f)(z) = P_{\beta}^{\gamma} f(z)$  ( $\gamma \geq 0; \beta > 1; z \in U$ ) (see Patel and Sahoo [15] );
- (iv)  $J_{\gamma,1}(f)(z) = I^{\gamma} f(z)$  ( $\gamma > 0; z \in U$ ) (see Jung et al. [8]);
- (v)  $J_{n,0}(f)(z) = I^n f(z)$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ ) (see Salagean [16]).

For some  $\alpha$  ( $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ),  $b$  ( $b \in C \setminus Z_0^-$ ),  $s \in C$  and for all  $z \in U$ , let  $S_{s,b}^*(\alpha)$  denote the subclass of  $A$  consisting of functions  $f(z)$  of the form (1.1) and satisfying the condition:

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{z(J_{s,b}f(z))'}{J_{s,b}f(z)} \right) > \alpha. \tag{1.7}$$

The class  $S_{s,b}^*(\alpha)$  was introduced and studied by Răducanu and Srivastava [7].

**Definition 1** (Subordinating Factor Sequence) [20]. A sequence  $\{b_k\}_{k=1}^\infty$  of complex numbers is said to be a subordinating factor sequence if, whenever  $f$  of the form (1.1) is analytic, univalent and convex in  $U$ , we have the subordination given by

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k a_k z^k \prec f(z) \quad (z \in U; a_1 = 1). \quad (1.8)$$

## 2. MAIN RESULT

Unless otherwise mentioned, we shall assume in the remainder of this paper that,  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{Z}_0^-$ ,  $s \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $z \in U$ .

To prove our main results we need the following lemmas.

**Lemma 1** [20]. The sequence  $\{b_k\}_{k=1}^\infty$  is a subordinating factor sequence if and only if

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k z^k \right\} > 0. \quad (2.1)$$

**Lemma 2** [7]. If  $f(z) \in A$  satisfy the following inequality:

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (k - \alpha) \left| \left( \frac{1+b}{k+b} \right)^s \right| |a_k| \leq 1 - \alpha, \quad (2.2)$$

then  $f(z) \in S_{s,b}^*(\alpha)$ .

Let  $S_{s,b}^{**}(\alpha)$  denote the class of functions  $f(z) \in A$  whose coefficients satisfy the condition (2.2). We note that  $S_{s,b}^{**}(\alpha) \subseteq S_{s,b}^*(\alpha)$ .

**Theorem 1.** Let  $f \in S_{s,b}^{**}(\alpha)$ . Then

$$\frac{(2 - \alpha) |1 + b|^s}{2[|2 + b|^s (1 - \alpha) + (2 - \alpha) |1 + b|^s]} (f * g)(z) \prec g(z) \quad (2.3)$$

for every function  $g \in K$ , and

$$\operatorname{Re}\{f(z)\} > - \frac{[|2 + b|^s (1 - \alpha) + (2 - \alpha) |1 + b|^s]}{(2 - \alpha) |1 + b|^s}. \quad (2.4)$$

The constant  $\frac{(2 - \alpha) |1 + b|^s}{2[|2 + b|^s (1 - \alpha) + (2 - \alpha) |1 + b|^s]}$  is the best estimate.

*Proof.* Let  $f \in S_{s,b}^{**}(\alpha)$  and let  $g(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} c_k z^k \in K$ . Then we have

$$\frac{(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s}{2[|2+b|^s(1-\alpha)+(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s]}(f * g)(z) = \frac{(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s}{2[|2+b|^s(1-\alpha)+(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s]} \left( z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k c_k z^k \right). \quad (2.5)$$

Thus, by Definition 1, the subordination result (2.3) will hold true if the sequence

$$\left\{ \frac{(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s}{2[|2+b|^s(1-\alpha)+(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s]} a_k \right\}_{k=1}^{\infty}, \quad (2.6)$$

is a subordinating factor sequence, with  $a_1 = 1$ . In view of Lemma 1, this is equivalent to the following inequality:

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s}{[|2+b|^s(1-\alpha)+(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s]} a_k z^k \right\} > 0. \quad (2.7)$$

Now, since

$$(k-\alpha) \left| \left( \frac{1+b}{k+b} \right)^s \right|,$$

is an increasing function of  $k$  ( $k \geq 2$ ), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s}{2[|2+b|^s(1-\alpha)+(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s]} a_k z^k \right\} \\ &= \operatorname{Re} \left\{ 1 + \frac{(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s}{[|2+b|^s(1-\alpha)+(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s]} z + \frac{1}{[|2+b|^s(1-\alpha)+(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s]} \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (2-\alpha)|1+b|^s a_k z^k \right\} \\ &\geq 1 - \frac{(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s}{[|2+b|^s(1-\alpha)+(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s]} r - \frac{1}{[|2+b|^s(1-\alpha)+(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s]} \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (k-\alpha)|1+b|^s |a_k| r^k \\ &> 1 - \frac{(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s}{[|2+b|^s(1-\alpha)+(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s]} r - \frac{(1-\alpha)|2+b|^s}{[|2+b|^s(1-\alpha)+(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s]} r = 1 - r > 0 \quad (|z| = r < 1), \end{aligned}$$

where we have also made use of assertion (2.2) of Lemma 2. Thus (2.7) holds true in  $U$ . This proves the inequality (2.3). The inequality (2.4) follows from (2.3) by taking the convex function  $g(z) = \frac{z}{1-z} = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} z^k \in K$ .

To prove the sharpness of the constant  $\frac{(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s}{2[|2+b|^s(1-\alpha)+(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s]}$ , we consider the function  $f_0(z) \in S_{s,b}^{**}(\alpha)$  given by

$$f_0(z) = z - \frac{(1-\alpha)|(2+b)^s|}{(2-\alpha)|(1+b)^s|} z^2. \quad (2.8)$$

Thus from (2.3), we have

$$\frac{(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s}{2[|2+b|^s(1-\alpha) + (2-\alpha)|1+b|^s]} f_0(z) \prec \frac{z}{1-z}. \quad (2.9)$$

Moreover, it can easily be verified for the function  $f_0(z)$  given by (2.8) that

$$\min_{|z| \leq r} \left\{ \operatorname{Re} \frac{(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s}{2[|2+b|^s(1-\alpha) + (2-\alpha)|1+b|^s]} f_0(z) \right\} = -\frac{1}{2}. \quad (2.10)$$

This show that the constant  $\frac{(2-\alpha)|1+b|^s}{2[|2+b|^s(1-\alpha) + (2-\alpha)|1+b|^s]}$  is the best possible. This completes the proof of Theorem 1.

Putting  $s = 1$  and  $b = 0$  in Theorem 1, we obtain the following corollary:

**Corollary 1.** *Let  $f$  defined by (1.1) be in the class  $S_{1,0}^{**}(\alpha)$ ,  $g \in K$ , and satisfy the condition*

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k^{-1} (k-\alpha) |a_k| \leq 1-\alpha. \quad (2.11)$$

Then

$$\frac{2-\alpha}{8-6\alpha} (f * g)(z) \prec g(z), \quad (2.12)$$

and

$$\operatorname{Re}\{f(z)\} > -\frac{4-3\alpha}{2-\alpha}. \quad (2.13)$$

The constant  $\frac{2-\alpha}{8-6\alpha}$  is the best estimate.

Putting  $s = 1$  and  $b = v$  ( $v > -1$ ) in Theorem 1, we obtain the following corollary:

**Corollary 2.** *Let  $f$  defined by (1.1) be in the class  $S_{1,v}^{**}(\alpha)$ ,  $g \in K$ , and satisfy the condition*

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (k-\alpha) \left( \frac{1+v}{k+v} \right) |a_k| \leq 1-\alpha,$$

then

$$\frac{(2 - \alpha)(1 + v)}{2[(2 + v)(1 - \alpha) + (2 - \alpha)(1 + v)]} (f * g)(z) \prec g(z) \quad (2.14)$$

and

$$\operatorname{Re}\{f(z)\} > - \frac{[(2 + v)(1 - \alpha) + (2 - \alpha)(1 + v)]}{(2 - \alpha)(1 + v)}. \quad (2.15)$$

The constant  $\frac{(2 - \alpha)(1 + v)}{2[(2 + v)(1 - \alpha) + (2 - \alpha)(1 + v)]}$  is the best estimate.

Putting  $s = \gamma$  and  $b = \beta$  ( $\gamma \geq 0, \beta > 1$ ) in Theorem 1, we obtain the following corollary:

**Corollary 3.** Let  $f$  defined by (1.1) be in the class  $S_{\gamma, \beta}^{**}(\alpha)$ ,  $g \in K$ , and satisfy the condition

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (k - \alpha) \left( \frac{1 + \beta}{k + \beta} \right)^{\gamma} |a_k| \leq 1 - \alpha, \quad (2.16)$$

then

$$\frac{(2 - \alpha)(1 + \beta)^{\gamma}}{2[(2 + \beta)^{\gamma}(1 - \alpha) + (2 - \alpha)(1 + \beta)^{\gamma}]} (f * g)(z) \prec g(z), \quad (2.17)$$

and

$$\operatorname{Re}\{f(z)\} > - \frac{(2 + \beta)^{\gamma}(1 - \alpha) + (2 - \alpha)(1 + \beta)^{\gamma}}{(2 - \alpha)(1 + \beta)^{\gamma}}. \quad (2.18)$$

The constant  $\frac{(2 - \alpha)(1 + \beta)^{\gamma}}{2[(2 + \beta)^{\gamma}(1 - \alpha) + (2 - \alpha)(1 + \beta)^{\gamma}]}$  is the best estimate.

Putting  $s = \gamma$  ( $\gamma > 0$ ) and  $b = 1$  in Theorem 1, we obtain the following corollary:

**Corollary 4.** Let  $f$  defined by (1.1) be in the class  $S_{\gamma, 1}^{**}(\alpha)$ ,  $g \in K$ , and satisfy the condition

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} (k - \alpha) \left( \frac{2}{k + 1} \right)^{\gamma} |a_k| \leq 1 - \alpha, \quad (2.19)$$

then

$$\frac{(2 - \alpha)2^{\gamma}}{2[3^{\gamma}(1 - \alpha) + (2 - \alpha)2^{\gamma}]} (f * g)(z) \prec g(z) \quad (2.20)$$

and

$$\operatorname{Re}\{f(z)\} > -\frac{3^\gamma(1-\alpha) + (2-\alpha)2^\gamma}{(2-\alpha)2^\gamma}. \quad (2.21)$$

The constant  $\frac{(2-\alpha)2^\gamma}{2[3^\gamma(1-\alpha) + (2-\alpha)2^\gamma]}$  is the best estimate.

Putting  $s = n$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ ) and  $b = 0$  in Theorem 1, we obtain the following corollary:

**Corollary 5.** Let  $f$  defined by (1.1) be in the class  $S_{n,0}^{**}(\alpha)$ ,  $g \in K$ , and satisfy the condition

$$\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} k^{-n}(k-\alpha)|a_k| \leq 1-\alpha, \quad (2.22)$$

then

$$\frac{(2-\alpha)}{2[2^n(1-\alpha) + (2-\alpha)]} (f * g)(z) \prec g(z) \quad (2.23)$$

and

$$\operatorname{Re}\{f(z)\} > -\frac{[2^n(1-\alpha) + (2-\alpha)]}{(2-\alpha)}. \quad (2.24)$$

The constant  $\frac{(2-\alpha)}{2[2^n(1-\alpha) + (2-\alpha)]}$  is the best estimate.

**Remarks.**

(i) Putting  $s = 0$  in Theorem 1, we obtain the result obtained by Frasin [6, Corollary 2.3];

(ii) Putting  $s = \alpha = 0$  in Theorem 1, we obtain the result obtained by Singh [17, Corollary 2.2].

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