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A note on *p*-valently close-to-convex functions

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Abstract: A theorem involving multivalent close-to-convex functions is considered and then its certain consequences are given.

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INTRODUCTION

Let $A_n(p)$ denote the class of functions of the form

$$f(z) = z^{p} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{p+k} z^{p+k} (n, p \in N = \{1, 2, \dots\}),$$
(1)

which are analytic and p -valent in the open unit disk $U = \{z : |z| < 1\}$.

A function $f \in A_n(p)$ is said to be p-valently starlike functions of order α ($0 \le \alpha < p$) in U if it satisfies the following inequality:

$$Re\{\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\} > \alpha.$$
⁽²⁾

We denote this class by $S_n^*(p, \alpha)$.

Similarly, a function $f \in A_n(p)$ is said to be p-valently convex functions of order α ($0 \le \alpha < p$) in U if

$$Re\{1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)}\} > \alpha.$$
(3)

It follows from expression (2) and (3) that f is convex if and only if, zf' is starlike. A function $f \in A_n(p)$ is said to be close-to-convex functions of order α ($0 \le \alpha < p$) in U if

$$Re\{\frac{f'(z)}{z^{p-1}}\} > \alpha.$$
(4)

We denote by $C_n(p,\alpha)$.

A function $f \in A_n(p)$ is said to belong to the class of p-valently close-to-convex functions of order α and type ξ in U, if there exists a function $g(z) \in S_n^*(p,\xi)$ such that

$$Re\{\frac{zf'(z)}{g(z)}\} > \alpha, 0 \le \alpha, \xi < p, z \in U.$$
(5)

We denote the class of all such functions by $K_n(\alpha,\xi)$.

The class $S_n^*(p,0)$ was introduced by Goodman[1], whereas Patil and Thakare[2] generalized this idea to get the class $S_n^*(p,\alpha)$.Owa[3] introduced the class $C_n(p,\alpha)$, also $C_n(p,0)$ was introduced by Goodman[2].The class $K_p(\alpha,\xi)$ was studied by Aouf[4] and the class $K_1(\alpha,\xi)$ was studied by Libera[5].

The following lemma (popularly known as Jack's lemma) will be required in our present investigation.

Lemma 1. (see [6,7]) Let the (nonconstant) function w(z) be analytic in U with w(0) = 0. If |w(z)| attains its maximum value on the circle |z| = r < 1 at a point $z_0 \in U$, then

$$z_0 w'(z_0) = k w(z_0), (6)$$

where k is a real number and $k \ge 1$.

MAIN RESULTS AND THEIR CONSEQUENCES

Theorem 1. Let $f \in A_n(p), w \in C$, $\{0\}, 0 \le \alpha, \xi < p, p \in N, z \in U$, and also let the function H be defined by

$$H(z) = \frac{zf'(z)}{zf'(z) - pg(z)} \left[1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - \frac{zg'(z)}{g(z)}\right],\tag{7}$$

where $g \in S_n^*(p,\xi)$. If H(z) satisfies one of the following conditions:

$$Re{H(z)} = \left\{ < |w|^{-2} Re{w} if Re{w} > 0, (8) \neq 0 if Re{w} = 0, (9) > |w|^{-2} Re{w} if Re{w} < 0.(10) \right\}$$

 $Im\{H(z)\} = \{ < |w|^{-2} Im\{\overline{w}\} if Im\{\overline{w}\} > 0, (11) \neq 0 if Im\{\overline{w}\} = 0, (12) > |w|^{-2} Im\{\overline{w}\} if Im\{\overline{w}\} < 0.(13)$ then

$$\left|\left(\frac{zf'(z)}{g(z)} - p\right)^{w}\right|$$

where the value of complex power in (10) is taken to be as its principal value. *Proof.* We define the function Ω by

$$\left(\frac{zf'(z)}{g(z)} - p\right)^w = (p - \alpha)\Omega(z),\tag{15}$$

where $w \in C$, $\{0\}, 0 \le \alpha, \xi < p, p \in N, z \in U, f \in H_n(p) \text{ and } g \in S_n^*(p,\xi)$.

We see clearly that the function Ω is regular in U and $\Omega(0) = 0$. Making use of the logarithmic differentiation of both sides of (11) with respect to the known complex variable z, we can get

$$wz(\frac{zf'(z)}{g(z)} - p)^{-1}(\frac{zf'(z)}{g(z)} - p)' = \frac{z\Omega'(z)}{\Omega(z)},$$
(16)

and if we make use of equality (11) once again, we can find that

$$H(z) = \frac{\bar{w}}{|w|^2} \frac{z\Omega'(z)}{\Omega(z)}, w \in C, \quad \{0\}, z \in U.$$
(17)

Assume that there exists a point $z_0 \in U$ such that

$$\max_{|z| < |z_0|} |\Omega(z)| = |\Omega(z_0)| = 1, z \in U.$$
(18)

Applying Lemma 1, we can obtain

$$z_0 \Omega'(z_0) = c \Omega(z_0), c \ge 1.$$
⁽¹⁹⁾

Then (15) yields

$$Re\{H(z_0)\} = Re\{\frac{\overline{w}}{|w|^2} \frac{z_0 \Omega'(z_0)}{\Omega(z_0)}\} = Re\{c\overline{w} |w|^{-2}\},$$
(20)

so that

 $Re{H(z_0)} = \left\{ \ge |w|^{-2} Re{w}if Re{w} > 0, (21) = 0if Re{w} = 0, (22) \le |w|^{-2} Re{w}if Re{w} < 0, (23) \text{ or } \right\}$

 $Im\{H(z_0)\} = \left\{ \ge |w|^{-2} Im\{\overline{w}\} \text{ if } Im\{\overline{w}\} > 0, (24) = 0 \text{ if } Im\{\overline{w}\} = 0, (25) \le |w|^{-2} Im\{\overline{w}\} \text{ if } Im\{\overline{w}\} < 0.(26)$ But the inequalities in (17) and (18) contradict, respectively, the inequalities in (8) and (9). Hence, we conclude that $|\Omega(z)| < 1$ for all $z \in U$. Consequently, it follows from (11) that

$$\left|\left(\frac{zf'(z)}{g(z)} - p\right)^{w}\right| = (p - \alpha) \left|\Omega(z)\right|
⁽²⁷⁾$$

Therefore, the desired proof is completed. \Box

The Theorem 1 immediately yields the following interesting and important consequences.

Corollary 2. Let $f \in A_n(p), g \in S_n^*(p,\xi), \delta \in \mathbb{R}$, $\{0\}, 0 \le \alpha, \xi < p, p \in \mathbb{N}, z \in U$, and let the function H be defined by (7). Also, if H(z) satisfies the following conditions:

$$Re\{H(z)\} = \left\{ < \frac{1}{\delta} \text{ if } \delta > 0, (28) > -\frac{1}{\delta} \text{ if } \delta < 0, \text{or} Im\{H(z)\} \neq 0, (29) \right\}$$

then

$$Re\{\frac{zf'(z)}{g(z)}\} > p - (p - \alpha)^{1/\delta}.$$
(30)

Proof. We choose ω as a real number and $w = \delta \in R$, $\{0\}$ in Theorem 1, then we obtain the corollary. \Box

Corollary 3. Let $f \in A_n(p), g \in S_n^*(p,\xi), 0 \le \alpha, \xi < p, p \in N, z \in U$, and let the function *H* be defined by (7). Also, if H(z) satisfies the following conditions:

$$Re\{H(z)\} < \operatorname{lor}Im\{H(z)\} \neq 0, \tag{31}$$

then $K_p(\alpha,\xi)$, that is, f is a p-valent close-to-convex function of order α and type ξ in U. *Proof.* Putting w = 1 in the Theorem 1, we can get the corollary. \Box

Corollary 4. Let $f \in A_n(p), 0 \le \alpha < p, p \in N, z \in U$, and let the function H be defined by

$$H(z) = \left(\frac{zf'(z)}{zf'(z) - pf(z)}\right)\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\right).$$
(32)

If H(z) satisfies the following conditions:

$$Re\{H(z)\} < \operatorname{lor}Im\{H(z)\} \neq 0, \tag{33}$$

then $f \in S_n^*(p, \alpha)$, that is, f is a p-valent starlike function of order α in U. *Proof.* Putting g(z) = f(z) in the the corollary 3. \Box

Corollary 5. Let $f \in A_n(p), 0 \le \alpha < p, p \in N, z \in U$, and let the function H be defined by

$$H(z) = \left(\frac{f'(z)}{f'(z) - pz^{p-1}}\right)\left(1 + \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} - p\right).$$
(34)

If H(z) satisfies the following conditions:

$$Re{H(z)} < \operatorname{lor}Im{H(z)} \neq 0, \tag{35}$$

then $f \in C_n(p, \alpha)$, that is, f is a p-valent close-to-convex function of order α in U. *Proof.* Putting $g(z) = z^p$ in the the corollary 3. \Box

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