

ON SUBCLASSES OF P-VALENT FUNCTIONS STARLIKE IN THE UNIT DISC

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Abstract For a positive integer p , A_p will denote the class of functions $f(z) = z^p + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ which are analytic in the unit disc $U = \{z : |z| < 1\}$.

For $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$, $0 < \beta \leq 1$, $0 \leq \lambda < p$, let $S_p(\alpha, \beta, \lambda)$ denote the class of functions $f(z) \in A_p$ which satisfy the condition

$$\left| \frac{\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - p}{\alpha \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + p - \lambda(1+\alpha)} \right| < \beta \text{ for } z \in U$$

In this paper we obtain a representation theorem for the class $S_p(\alpha, \beta, \lambda)$ and also derive distortion theorem and sharp estimates for the coefficients of this class.

1. Introduction

For a positive integer p , A_p will denote the class of functions $f(z) = z^p + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ which are analytic in $U = \{z : |z| < 1\}$. Further, let

$$\left| \frac{\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - p}{\alpha \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + p - \lambda(1+\alpha)} \right| < \beta \quad (1.1)$$

with $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$, $0 < \beta \leq 1$, $0 \leq \lambda < p$ and $z \in U$. We shall then say that $f(z) \in S_p(\alpha, \beta, \lambda)$. It is the aim of this paper to obtain a representation theorem for the class $S_p(\alpha, \beta, \lambda)$ and also derive distortion theorem and sharp estimates for the coefficients of this class. $S_p(1, 1, 0) = S_p$ and $S_p(1, 1, \lambda) = S_p(\lambda)$ are respectively the classes of p -valent starlike functions and p -valent starlike functions of order λ , $0 \leq \lambda < p$. Also $S_1(0, 1, 0)$, $S_1(1, \beta, 0)$ and $S_1(\alpha, \beta, 0)$ are respectively the classes of functions studied by R. Singh [4], K.S. Padmanabhan [3] and T.V. Lakshminarasimhan [2].

We state the following lemma that is needed in our investigation.

LEMMA 1 [2]. $f(z) \in S_1(\alpha, \beta, 0) = S(\alpha, \beta)$, $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ and $0 < \beta \leq 1$, if and only if

$$f(z) = z \exp \left[-(1+\alpha) \int_0^z \frac{\phi(t)}{1+\alpha t \phi(t)} dt \right],$$

where $\phi(z)$ is analytic in U and $|\phi(z)| \leq \beta$ for $z \in U$.

2. Representation formulas for the class $S_p(\alpha, \beta, \lambda)$.

LEMMA 2. Let $H(z)$ be analytic in U and satisfy the condition

$$\left| \frac{p-H(z)}{[p-\lambda(1+\alpha)] + \alpha H(z)} \right| < \beta, \quad z \in U, \quad 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1, \quad 0 < \beta \leq 1, \quad 0 \leq \lambda < p \quad (2.1)$$

with $H(0)=p$. Then we have

$$H(z) = \frac{p - [p - \lambda(1+\alpha)] z \phi(z)}{1 + \alpha z \phi(z)} \quad (2.2)$$

where $\phi(z)$ is analytic in U and $|\phi(z)| \leq \beta$ for $z \in U$.

Conversely, any function $H(z)$ given by (2.2) above is analytic in U and satisfies (2.1).

PROOF. Let $H(z) = p + c_1 z + c_2 z^2 + \dots$ and let (2.1) hold. Then if

$$h(z) = \frac{p - H(z)}{[p - \lambda(1+\alpha)] + \alpha H(z)},$$

then $h(z)$ is analytic and satisfies $|h(z)| < \beta$, $z \in U$ and $h(0)=0$.

Hence by Schwarz's lemma, $h(z) = z\phi(z)$, where $|\phi(z)| \leq \beta$ for $z \in U$. Thus

$$H(z) = \frac{p - [p - \lambda(1+\alpha)] h(z)}{1 + \alpha h(z)} = \frac{p - [p - \lambda(1+\alpha)] z \phi(z)}{1 + \alpha z \phi(z)}$$

$|\phi(z)| \leq \beta$ for $z \in U$, which is (2.2). On the other hand, if $H(z)$ is given by (2.2), then $H(z)$ is analytic for $z \in U$, and since $|z\phi(z)| \leq \beta |z| < \beta$ for $z \in U$, we have $\left| \frac{p - H(z)}{[p - \lambda(1+\alpha)] + \alpha H(z)} \right| = |z\phi(z)| < \beta$ for $z \in U$, and the proof of lemma 2 is complete.

LEMMA 3. $f(z) \in S_p(\alpha, \beta, \lambda)$ if and only if

$$f(z) = z^p \left[\frac{f_1(z)}{z} \right]^{(p-\lambda)} \quad (2.3)$$

for some $f_1(z) \in S_1(\alpha, \beta, 0) = S(\alpha, \beta)$.

PROOF. Let $f(z) = z^p \left[\frac{f_1(z)}{z} \right]^{(p-\lambda)}$ for $f_1(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} c_n z^n \in S(\alpha, \beta)$, $z \in U$. By direct computation, we obtain

$$\frac{\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - p}{\alpha \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} + p - \lambda(1+\alpha)} = \frac{\frac{zf'_1(z)}{f_1(z)} - 1}{\alpha \frac{zf'_1(z)}{f_1(z)} + 1}$$

and the result follows from (1.1).

We now proceed to prove a theorem which gives a representation for functions of the class $S_p(\alpha, \beta, \lambda)$.

THEOREM 1. $f(z) \in S_p(\alpha, \beta, \lambda)$, if and only if

$$f(z) = z^p \exp \left[-(p-\lambda)(1+\alpha) \int_0^z \frac{\phi(t)}{1+\alpha t \phi(t)} dt \right] \quad (2.4)$$

where $\phi(z)$ is analytic and satisfies $|\phi(z)| \leq \beta$, $0 < \beta \leq 1$, $z \in U$.

PROOF. Let $f(z) \in S_p(\alpha, \beta, \lambda)$, $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$, $0 < \beta \leq 1$, $0 \leq \lambda < p$.

Then lemma 2 gives, with $z \in U$,

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} = \frac{p - [p - \lambda(1+\alpha)] z \phi(z)}{1 + \alpha z \phi(z)} \quad (2.5)$$

where $\phi(z)$ is analytic in U and $|\phi(z)| \leq \beta$ for $z \in U$. This gives

$$\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} - \frac{p}{z} = \frac{-(p-\lambda)(1+\alpha)\phi(z)}{1 + \alpha z \phi(z)} \quad (2.6)$$

which at once gives (2.4) on integration from 0 to z . On the other hand, if $f(z)$ is given by (2.4), it follows that (2.5) holds with $\phi(z)$ as in lemma 2, so that $f(z) \in S_p(\alpha, \beta, \lambda)$ and the proof is complete.

REMARK. There is another proof of Theorem 1 which is an immediate consequence of lemmas 1 and 3.

3. Distortion theorems.

LEMMA 4. Let $f(z) \in S_p(\alpha, \beta, \lambda)$. Then, for $z \in U$,

$$\frac{p - \beta[p - \lambda(1+\alpha)]|z|}{1 + \alpha \beta |z|} \leq Re \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} \leq \frac{p + \beta[p - \lambda(1+\alpha)]|z|}{1 - \alpha \beta |z|}$$

PROOF. If $f(z) \in S_p(\alpha, \beta, \lambda)$, then by lemma 2,

$$w = \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} = \frac{p - [p - \lambda(1+\alpha)]z}{1 + \alpha z}$$

with $|z| < \beta|z|$, $z \in U$, so that

$$\operatorname{Re} w = \operatorname{Re} \frac{p - [p - \lambda(1+\alpha)]z}{1 + \alpha z} \begin{cases} \geq \frac{p - \beta[p - \lambda(1+\alpha)]|z|}{1 + \alpha\beta|z|} \\ \leq \frac{p + \beta[p - \lambda(1+\alpha)]|z|}{1 - \alpha\beta|z|} \end{cases}$$

This proves lemma 4.

THEOREM 2. If $f(z) \in S_p(\alpha, \beta, \lambda)$ with $0 < \alpha \leq 1$, $0 < \beta \leq 1$, $0 \leq \lambda < p$, we have

$$|f(z)| \begin{cases} \leq |z|^p (1 - \alpha\beta|z|)^{-(p-\lambda)(\frac{1+\alpha}{\alpha})} \\ \geq |z|^p (1 + \alpha\beta|z|)^{-(p-\lambda)(\frac{1+\alpha}{\alpha})} \end{cases} \quad (3.1)$$

while if $f(z) \in S_p(0, \beta, \lambda)$, $0 < \beta \leq 1$, $0 \leq \lambda < p$,

$$|f(z)| \begin{cases} \leq |z|^p \exp[(p-\lambda)\beta|z|] \\ \geq |z|^p \exp[-(p-\lambda)\beta|z|] \end{cases} \quad (3.2)$$

PROOF. Since $f(z) \in S_p(\alpha, \beta, \lambda)$, we have

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} = \frac{p - [p - \lambda(1+\alpha)]z\phi(z)}{1 + \alpha z\phi(z)} \quad (3.3)$$

where $\phi(z)$ is analytic and satisfies $|\phi(z)| \leq \beta$ for $z \in U$. From (3.3), we obtain

$$\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} - \frac{p}{z} = \frac{-(p-\lambda)(1+\alpha)\phi(z)}{1 + \alpha z\phi(z)} \quad (3.4)$$

Using the fact that $|\phi(z)| \leq \beta$ for $z \in U$, we get from (3.4)

$$\begin{aligned} \log\left(\left|\frac{f(z)}{z^p}\right|\right) &= \operatorname{Re}\left(\log\left(\frac{f(z)}{z^p}\right)\right) \\ &= \operatorname{Re} \int_0^z \left[\frac{f'(s)}{f(s)} - \frac{p}{s} \right] ds \\ &= \operatorname{Re} \int_0^z \left[\frac{-(p-\lambda)(1+\alpha)\phi(te^{i\theta})e^{i\theta}}{1 + \alpha te^{i\theta}\phi(te^{i\theta})} \right] dt \\ &\leq \operatorname{Re} \int_0^{|z|} \frac{(p-\lambda)(1+\alpha)|\phi(te^{i\theta})|}{|1 + \alpha te^{i\theta}\phi(te^{i\theta})|} dt \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \begin{cases} \int_0^{|z|} \frac{(p-\lambda)(1+\alpha)\beta}{1-\alpha\beta t} dt = (p-\lambda) \left(\frac{1+\alpha}{\alpha} \right) \log(1-\alpha\beta|z|)^{-1}, & 0 < \alpha \leq 1, \\ \int_0^{|z|} (p-\lambda)\beta dt = (p-\lambda)\beta|z|, & \alpha = 0, \end{cases}$$

so that, the first part of (3.1) and (3.2) respectively follow at once. On the other hand, lemma 4 gives

$$\operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} \right\} \geq \frac{p-\beta[p-\lambda(1+\alpha)]|z|}{1+\alpha\beta|z|}, \quad 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1,$$

so that for $|z|=r$,

$$\begin{aligned} r \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(\log \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right) \right\} &= \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - p \right\} \\ &\geq \frac{p-\beta[p-\lambda(1+\alpha)]|z|}{1+\alpha\beta|z|} - p \\ &= \frac{-(p-\lambda)\beta(1+\alpha)|z|}{1+\alpha\beta|z|} \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} \log \left| \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right| &= \operatorname{Re} \left(\log \frac{f(z)}{z^p} \right) \\ &\geq \int_0^r \frac{-(p-\lambda)\beta(1+\alpha)}{1+\alpha\beta r'} dr' \\ &= \begin{cases} -(p-\lambda) \left(\frac{1+\alpha}{\alpha} \right) \log(1+\alpha\beta r), & 0 < \alpha \leq 1, \\ -(p-\lambda)\beta r, & \alpha = 0, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

so that the second part of (3.1) and (3.2) respectively, follow at once since $|z|=r$. For equality we may take

$$f(z) = z^p (1-\alpha\beta z)^{-(p-\lambda)\left(\frac{1+\alpha}{\alpha}\right)}, \quad 0 < \alpha \leq 1, \quad 0 < \beta \leq 1, \quad 0 \leq \lambda < p,$$

and

$$f(z) = z^p \exp((p-\lambda)\beta z), \quad \alpha = 0, \quad 0 < \beta \leq 1, \quad 0 \leq \lambda < p.$$

4. Coefficient Estimates.

LEMMA 5. If integers p and m are greater than zero, $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$, $0 < \beta \leq 1$ and $0 \leq \lambda < p$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{j=0}^{m-1} \frac{\beta^2 [(1+\alpha)(p-\lambda)+\alpha j]^2}{(j+1)^2} &= \frac{1}{m^2} \left\{ \beta^2 (1+\alpha)^2 (p-\lambda)^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} [\beta^2 [(1+\alpha)(p-\lambda)+\alpha k]^2 - k^2] x \prod_{j=0}^{k-1} \frac{\beta^2 [(1+\alpha)(p-\lambda)+\alpha j]^2}{(j+1)^2} \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (4.1)$$

PROOF. We prove the lemma by induction on m . For $m=1$, (4.1) is easily verified directly.

Next suppose that (4.1) is true for $m=q-1$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{q^2} \left\{ \beta^2 (1+\alpha)^2 (p-\lambda)^2 + \sum_{k=1}^{q-1} [\beta^2 [(1+\alpha)(p-\lambda)+\alpha k]^2 - k^2] x \right. \\ & \quad \left. \prod_{j=0}^{k-1} \frac{\beta^2 [(1+\alpha)(p-\lambda)+aj]^2}{(j+1)^2} \right\} \\ = & \frac{1}{q^2} \left\{ \beta^2 (1+\alpha)^2 (p-\lambda)^2 + \sum_{k=1}^{q-2} [\beta^2 [(1+\alpha)(p-\lambda)+\alpha k]^2 - k^2] x \right. \\ & \quad \left. \prod_{j=0}^{k-1} \frac{\beta^2 [(1+\alpha)(p-\lambda)+aj]^2}{(j+1)^2} + [\beta^2 [(1+\alpha)(p-\lambda)+\alpha(q-1)]^2 - (q-1)^2] x \right. \\ & \quad \left. \prod_{j=0}^{q-2} \frac{\beta^2 [(1+\alpha)(p-\lambda)+aj]^2}{(j+1)^2} \right\} \\ = & \prod_{j=0}^{q-2} \frac{\beta^2 [(1+\alpha)(p-\lambda)+aj]^2}{(j+1)^2} \cdot \left\{ \frac{\beta^2 [(1+\alpha)(p-\lambda)+\alpha(q-1)]^2}{q^2} \right\} \\ = & \prod_{j=0}^{q-1} \frac{\beta^2 [(1+\alpha)(p-\lambda)+aj]^2}{(j+1)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Thus (4.1) holds for $m=q$ which proves lemma 5.

THEOREM 3. If $f(z) = z^p + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} a_n z^n \in S_p(\alpha, \beta, \lambda)$, then

$$|a_n| \leq \prod_{k=0}^{n-(p+1)} \frac{\beta [(1+\alpha)(p-\lambda)+\alpha k]}{k+1} \quad (4.2)$$

for $n \geq p+1$ and these bounds are sharp for all admissible α, β , and λ for each n .

PROOF. As $f \in S_p(\alpha, \beta, \lambda)$, from Theorem 1, we have

$$\{\alpha z f'(z) + [p-\lambda(1+\alpha)]f(z)\} z\phi(z) = pf(z) - zf'(z) \quad (4.3)$$

where $|\phi(z)| \leq \beta$ for $z \in U$. Thus if

$$\phi(z) = z\phi(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{k+1} z^{k+1}$$

we have $|\phi(z)| \leq \beta |z|$ for $z \in U$ and (4.3) may be written as

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [(1+\alpha)(p-\lambda)+\alpha k] a_{p+k} z^k \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{k+1} z^{k+1} \\ & = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-k) a_{p+k} z^k \end{aligned} \quad (4.4)$$

where $a_p = 1$.

Equating coefficients of z^m on both sides of (4.4), we obtain

$$\sum_{k=0}^{m-1} [(1+\alpha)(p-\lambda)+\alpha k] a_{p+k} b_{m-k} = \{-m\} a_{p+m};$$

which shows that a_{p+m} on right hand side depends only on

$$a_p, a_{p+1}, \dots, a_{p+(m-1)}$$

of left-hand side. Hence we can write

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} [(1+\alpha)(p-\lambda)+\alpha k] a_{p+k} z^k \Psi(z) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-k) a_{p+k} z^k + \sum_{k=m+1}^{\infty} A_k z^k \end{aligned} \quad (4.5)$$

for $m=1, 2, 3, \dots$ and proper choice of A_k ($k \geq 0$). Denoting the right member of (4.5) by $G(z)$ and the factor multiplying $\Psi(z)$ in the left member of (4.5) by $F(z)$, (4.5) assumes the form

$$G(z) = F(z) \Psi(z) \text{ for } z \in U.$$

Since $|\Psi(z)| \leq \beta$ for $z \in U$ this yields for $0 < r < 1$,

$$\frac{1}{2n} \int_0^{2n} |G(re^{i\theta})|^2 d\theta \leq \frac{\beta^2}{2n} \int_0^{2n} |F(re^{i\theta})|^2 d\theta,$$

whence, using the definitions of $G(z)$ and $F(z)$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=0}^m k^2 |a_{p+k}|^2 r^{2k} + \sum_{k=m+1}^{\infty} |A_k|^2 r^{2k} \\ & \leq \beta^2 \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} [(1+\alpha)(p-\lambda)+\alpha k]^2 |a_{p+k}|^2 r^{2k} \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.6)$$

Setting $r \rightarrow 1$ in (4.6), the inequality (4.6) may be written as

$$\sum_{k=0}^{m-1} [\beta^2 [(1+\alpha)(p-\lambda)+\alpha k]^2 - k^2] |a_{p+k}|^2 \geq m^2 |a_{p+m}|^2 \quad (4.7)$$

Replacing $p+m$ by n in (4.7), we are let to

$$|a_n|^2 \leq \frac{1}{(n-p)^2} \sum_{k=0}^{n-(p+1)} \{\beta^2 [(1+\alpha)(p-\lambda)+\alpha k]^2 - k^2\} |a_{p+k}|^2, \quad (4.8)$$

where $n \geq p+1$.

For $n=p+1$, (4.8) reduces

$$|a_{p+1}|^2 \leq \beta^2 (1+\alpha)^2 (p-\lambda)^2$$

or

$$|a_{p+1}| \leq \beta (1+\alpha) (p-\lambda) \quad (4.9)$$

which is equivalent to (4.2).

To establish (4.2) for $n > p+1$, we will apply induction argument.

Fix n , $n \geq p+2$, and suppose (4.2) holds for $k=1, 2, 3, \dots, n-(p+1)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} |a_n|^2 & \leq \frac{1}{(n-p)^2} \left\{ \beta^2 (1+\alpha)^2 (p-\lambda)^2 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-(p+1)} [\beta^2 [(1+\alpha)(p-\lambda) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \alpha k]^2 - k^2] x \prod_{j=0}^{k-1} \frac{\beta^2 [(1+\alpha)(p-\lambda) + \alpha j]^2}{(j+1)^2} \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.10)$$

Thus from (4.8), (4.10) and lemma 5 with $m=n-p$, we obtain

$$|a_n|^2 \leq \prod_{j=0}^{n-(p+1)} \frac{\beta^2 [(1+\alpha)(p-\lambda)+\alpha j]^2}{(j+1)^2}$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 3. This proof is based on a technique found in Clunie [1].

Equality holds in (4.2) for $n \geq p+1$ for the function $f(z) \in A_p$ defined by

$$\frac{2f'(z)}{f(z)} = \frac{p - [p - \lambda(1 + \alpha)]\beta z}{1 + \alpha\beta z}$$

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