

p-Valently Meromorphic Functions with Fixed First Coefficient

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Abstract : In this paper, we have considered the class of the functions of the form

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \left(\frac{p-\alpha}{\alpha}\right)e^{i\theta} + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} a_{n-p}z^{n-p}, \quad (p \in \mathbb{N}) \quad a_{n-p} \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{p}{2} \leq \alpha < p.$$

Coefficient inequalities, closure theorems and radius of convexity for this class are determined.

1. INTRODUCTION

Let M_p denote the class of functions of the form

$$(1.1) \quad f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} a_{n-p}z^{n-p}, \quad p \in \mathbb{N}$$

which are analytic in the punctured disk $U^* = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : 0 < |z| < 1\}$. A function $f(z) \in M_p$ is said to be starlike of order α if it satisfies the inequality

$$(1.2) \quad \operatorname{Re}\left(-\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)}\right) > \alpha, \quad (z \in U = U^* \cup \{0\})$$

for α ($0 \leq \alpha < p$). We say that $f(z)$ is in the class $S^*(p, \alpha)$ for such functions.

We have obtained [5] the following result :

Result 1 : Let the function $f(z) \in M_p$ analytic in $D_r = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : 0 < |z| < r \leq 1\}$ be given by (1.1) with $a_{n-p} \geq 0$, then $f(z) \in S^*(p, r; \alpha)$ if and only if

$$(1.3) \quad \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} (n + \alpha - p)a_{n-p}r^n \leq p - \alpha$$

for some $\alpha \left(\frac{p}{2} \leq \alpha < p\right)$.

Letting $r \rightarrow 1$ in above result – 1, we get the following result 2.

Result 2 : If $f(z) \in M_p$ defined on $U^* = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : 0 < |z| < 1\}$ satisfies

$$(1.4) \quad \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} (n + \alpha - p)a_{n-p} \leq p - \alpha \quad a_{n-p} \geq 0$$

for some $\alpha \left(\frac{p}{2} \leq \alpha < p \right)$, then $f(z) \in S^*(p, \alpha)$

In view of result 2, a function of the form (1.1) belonging to the class $S^*(p, \alpha)$ must satisfy the coefficient inequality

$$(1.5) \quad a_{n-p} \leq \frac{p-\alpha}{n+\alpha-p} \quad (n \geq p)$$

hence, we write

$$a_0 \leq \left(\frac{p-\alpha}{\alpha} \right) e^{i\theta}$$

by fixing the first coefficient a_0 , we introduce a new subclass $S^*(p, \theta; \alpha)$ of $S^*(p, \alpha)$ consisting of functions of the form

$$(1.6) \quad f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \left(\frac{p-\alpha}{\alpha} \right) e^{i\theta} + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} a_{n-p} z^{n-p}, \quad p \in \mathbb{N}$$

and $\frac{p}{2} \leq \alpha < p$.

In this paper, we obtain coefficient inequality, closure theorems and radius of convexity for the class $S^*(p, \theta; \alpha)$. Techniques used are similar to those of Silverman and Silvia [2], Uralegaddi [3], Owa and Srivastava [1] and M.K. Aouf and H.E. Darwish [4].

2. COEFFICIENT INEQUALITY :

Lemma 2.1 : Let function $f(z)$ defined by (1.6) is in the class $S^*(p, \theta; \alpha)$ if and only if

$$(2.1) \quad \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n+\alpha-p)a_{n-p} \leq (p-\alpha)(1-e^{i\theta}), \quad (a_{n-p} \geq 0)$$

for $\frac{p}{2} \leq \alpha < p$. The result is sharp.

Proof : Putting $a_0 = \left(\frac{p-\alpha}{\alpha} \right) e^{i\theta}$ in (1.4), we get

$$(p-\alpha)e^{i\theta} + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n+\alpha-p)a_{n-p} \leq (p-\alpha)$$
$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n+\alpha-p)a_{n-p} \leq (p-\alpha)(1-e^{i\theta})$$

Further, by taking the function $f(z)$ of the form

$$(2.2) \quad f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \left(\frac{p-\alpha}{\alpha} \right) e^{i\theta} + \frac{(p-\alpha)(1-e^{i\theta})}{(n+\alpha-p)} z^{n-p}$$

for $n \geq p+1$, we can see that results (2.1) is sharp.

Corollary 2.2 : Let the function defined by (1.6) be in the class $S^*(p, \theta; \alpha)$, then

$$(2.3) \quad a_{n-p} \leq (p - \alpha) (1 - e^{i\theta}) (n + \alpha - p)^{-1} \quad (n \geq p + 1)$$

The result (2.3) is sharp for the function $f(z)$ is given by (2.2).

3. CLOSURE THEOREMS :

Theorem 3.1 : Let the function

$$(3.1) \quad f_j(z) = \frac{1}{z} + \left(\frac{p - \alpha}{\alpha} \right) e^{i\theta} + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} a_{n-p,j} z^{n-p}$$

be in the class $S^*(p, \theta; \alpha)$ for $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$, then the function $F(z)$ defined by

$$(3.2) \quad F(z) = \sum_{j=1}^m d_j F_j(z) \quad (d_j \geq 0)$$

is also in the same class $S^*(p, \theta; \alpha)$ where

$$(3.3) \quad \sum_{j=1}^m d_j = 1$$

Proof : Combining (3.1) and (3.2), we get

$$(3.4) \quad F(z) = \sum_{j=1}^m d_j \left\{ \frac{1}{z^p} + \left(\frac{p - \alpha}{\alpha} \right) e^{i\theta} + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} a_{n-p,j} z^{n-p} \right\}$$

$$F(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \left(\frac{p - \alpha}{\alpha} \right) e^{i\theta} + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{j=1}^m d_j a_{n-p,j} \right) z^{n-p} \quad (\text{using 3.3})$$

Since $f_j(z) \in S^*(p, \theta; \alpha)$ for every $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$, therefore, theorem 2.1 yields

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n + \alpha - p) a_{n-p,j} \leq (p - \alpha) (1 - e^{i\theta})$$

for $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$. Thus, we obtain

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n + \alpha - p) \left(\sum_{j=1}^m d_j a_{n-p,j} \right) = \sum_{j=1}^m d_j \left(\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n + \alpha - p) a_{n-p,j} \right)$$

$$\leq (p - \alpha) (1 - e^{i\theta})$$

which implies $F(z) \in S^*(p, \theta; \alpha)$.

Theorem 3.2 : Let the function $f_j(z)$ be defined by (3.1). If $f_j(z) \in S^*(p, \theta; \alpha)$ for every $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$, then the function

$$(3.5) \quad g(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \left(\frac{p - \alpha}{\alpha} \right) e^{i\theta} + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} b_{n-p} z^{n-p}$$

is in the same class $S^*(p, \theta; \alpha)$, where

$$(3.6) \quad b_{n-p} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m a_{n-p,j}$$

Proof : Since $f_j(z) \in S^*(p, \theta; \alpha)$ it follows from theorem 2.1 that

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n + \alpha - p)a_{n-p,j} \leq (p - \alpha)(1 - e^{i\theta})$$

hence

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n + \alpha - p)b_{n-p,j} &= \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n + \alpha - p) \left(\frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m a_{n-p,j} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m \left(\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n + \alpha - p)a_{n-p,j} \right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m (p - \alpha)(1 - e^{i\theta}) \\ &\leq (p - \alpha)(1 - e^{i\theta}) \end{aligned}$$

which (in view of theorem 2.1) implies $g(z) \in S^*(p, \theta; \alpha)$. This completes the proof of theorem.

Theorem 3.3 : The class $S^*(p, \theta; \alpha)$ is closed under convex linear combination.

Proof : Let the function $f_j(j = 1, 2)$ defined by (3.1) be in the class $S^*(p, \theta; \alpha)$. It is sufficient to prove that the function $H(z)$ defined by

$$H(z) = \lambda f_1(z) + (1 - \lambda) f_2(z) \quad (0 \leq \lambda \leq 1)$$

is also in the class $S^*(p, \theta; \alpha)$.

$$H(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \left(\frac{p - \alpha}{\alpha} \right) e^{i\theta} + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \{ \lambda a_{n-p,1} + (1 - \lambda) a_{n-p,2} \} z^{n-p}$$

Since $f_1(z)$ and $f_2(z)$ belong to the class $S_p^*(\theta; \alpha)$.

Therefore,

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} |a_{n-p,1}| (n + \alpha - p) \leq (p - \alpha)(1 - e^{i\theta})$$

and
$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} |a_{n-p,2}| (n + \alpha - p) \leq (p - \alpha)(1 - e^{i\theta})$$

Now, we observe that

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} | \lambda a_{n-p,1} + (1 - \lambda) a_{n-p,2} | (n + \alpha - p) \leq (p - \alpha)(1 - e^{i\theta})$$

hence, in view of theorem 2.1, we get $H(z) \in S_p^*(\theta; \alpha)$

Theorem 3.4 : Let

$$(3.7) \quad f_p(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \left(\frac{p-\alpha}{\alpha}\right)e^{i\theta}$$

and

$$(3.8) \quad f_n(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \left(\frac{p-\alpha}{\alpha}\right)e^{i\theta} + \frac{(p-\alpha)(1-e^{i\theta})}{(n+\alpha-p)}z^{n-p} \quad (n \geq p+1)$$

Then $f(z)$ is in the class $S^*(p,\theta;\alpha)$ if and only if it can be expressed in the form

$$(3.9) \quad f(z) = \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \lambda_n f_n(z) \quad \text{where } \lambda_n \geq 0$$

and

$$(3.10) \quad \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \lambda_n = 1.$$

Proof : We suppose that $f(z)$ can be expressed in the form (3.9) then it follows from (3.8), (3.9) and (3.10) that

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \left(\frac{p-\alpha}{\alpha}\right)e^{i\theta} + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(p-\alpha)(1-e^{i\theta})}{(n+\alpha-p)} \lambda_n z^{n-p}$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(p-\alpha)(1-e^{i\theta})}{(n+\alpha-p)} \lambda_n \frac{(n+\alpha-p)}{(p-\alpha)(1-e^{i\theta})} &= \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \lambda_n \\ &= 1 - \lambda_p \leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

hence $f(z) \in S^*(p,\theta;\alpha)$

for the converse assume that the function $f(z)$ of the form (1.6) belongs to the class $S^*(p,\theta;\alpha)$. Since $f(z)$ satisfies (2.3) for $n \geq p+1$, we may set

$$\lambda_n = \frac{(n+\alpha-p)}{(p-\alpha)(1-e^{i\theta})} = a_{n-p}, \quad n \geq p+1$$

and

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

Then

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \frac{1}{z^p} + \left(\frac{p-\alpha}{\alpha}\right)e^{i\theta} + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \frac{(p-\alpha)(1-e^{i\theta})}{(n+\alpha-p)} \lambda_n z^{n-p} \\ &= \frac{1}{z^p} + \left(\frac{p-\alpha}{\alpha}\right)e^{i\theta} + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \lambda_n \left\{ f_n(z) - \frac{1}{z^p} - \left(\frac{p-\alpha}{\alpha}\right)e^{i\theta} \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{z^p} + \left(\frac{p-\alpha}{\alpha}\right)e^{i\theta} \left\{ 1 - \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \lambda_n \right\} + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \lambda_n \left\{ f_n(z) - \frac{1}{z^p} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \left\{ 1 - \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \lambda_n \right\} \frac{1}{z^p} + \left(\frac{p-\alpha}{\alpha} \right) e^{i\theta} \lambda_p + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \lambda_n f_n(z) \\
 &= \lambda_p \left[\frac{1}{z^p} + \left(\frac{p-\alpha}{\alpha} \right) e^{i\theta} \right] + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \lambda_n f_n(z) \\
 &= \lambda_p f_p(z) + \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} \lambda_n f_n(z) \\
 &= \sum_{n=p}^{\infty} \lambda_n f_n(z)
 \end{aligned}$$

This complete the proof of the theorem.

4. RADIUS OF CONVEXITY :

Theorem 4.1 : Let the function $f(z)$ defined by (1.6) be in the class $S^*(p, \theta; \alpha)$, then $f(z)$ is p -valent meromorphically convex in

$0 < |z| < r = r(p, \theta; \alpha)$ where

$$(4.1) \quad r(p, \theta, \alpha) = \inf_{n \geq p} \left\{ \frac{p^2(n + \alpha - p)}{(n^2 - p^2)(p - \alpha)(1 - e^{i\theta})} \right\}^{1/n}$$

Proof : It suffices to show that

$$(4.1) \quad \left| \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} + 1 + p \right| < p$$

Consider

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

Thus, the result follows if

$$\sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} n(n-p)a_{n-p} |z|^n \leq p \left[p - \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n-p)a_{n-p} r^n \right]$$

or

$$(4.3) \quad \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n^2 - p^2)a_{n-p} |z|^n \leq p^2$$

But by theorem 2.1, we have

$$(4.4) \quad \sum_{n=p+1}^{\infty} (n + \alpha - p)a_{n-p} \leq (p - \alpha)(1 - e^{i\theta})$$

Hence, (4.3) holds if and only if

$$\frac{(n^2 - p^2)}{p^2} |z|^n \leq \frac{(n + \alpha - p)}{(p - \alpha)(1 - e^{i\theta})}$$

or

$$|z| \leq \left[\frac{p^2 (n + \alpha - p)}{(n^2 - p^2)(p - \alpha)(1 - e^{i\theta})} \right]^{1/n} \quad (n \geq p, p \in \mathbb{N})$$

This proves the theorem.

5. THE CLASS $S_m^*(p, \theta; \alpha)$:

Instead of fixing just the first coefficient, we can fix finitely many coefficients. Let $S_m^*(p, \theta; \alpha)$ denote the class of functions of the form

$$(5.1) \quad f(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=p}^m \frac{(p - \alpha)(1 - e^{i\theta k})}{(k + \alpha - p)} z^{k-p} + \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} a_{n-p} z^{n-p}, \quad (m \geq p)$$

where $0 \leq e^{i\theta k} \leq 1$ and

$$0 \leq \sum_{k=p}^m e^{i\theta k} = e^{i\theta} \leq 1$$

Note that $S_p^*(p, \theta; \alpha) \equiv S^*(p, \theta; \alpha)$.

Theorem 5.1 : The extreme points of the class $S_m^*(p, \theta; \alpha)$ are

$$(5.2) \quad f_m(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=p}^m \frac{(p - \alpha)(1 - e^{i\theta k})}{(k + \alpha - p)} z^{k-p}$$

and

$$(5.3) \quad f_n(z) = \frac{1}{z^p} + \sum_{k=p}^m \frac{(p - \alpha)(1 - e^{i\theta k})}{(k + \alpha - p)} z^{k-p} + \frac{(p - \alpha) \left(1 - \sum_{k=p}^m e^{i\theta k} \right)}{(n + \alpha - p)} z^{n-p} \quad (n \geq m + 1)$$

Theorem 5.2 : Let the function $f(z)$ defined by (5.1) be in the class $S_m^*(p, \theta; \alpha)$, then $f(z)$ is p -valently meromorphic convex function in $0 < |z| < r_m(p, \theta; \alpha)$ where $r_m(p, \theta; \alpha)$ in the largest value for which

$$\sum_{k=p}^m \frac{(p - \alpha)(1 - e^{i\theta k})(k^2 - p^2)}{(k + \alpha - p)} r^k + \frac{(n^2 - p^2)(p - \alpha) \left(1 - \sum_{k=p}^m e^{i\theta k} \right)}{(n + \alpha - p)} r^n \leq p^2$$

for $n \geq m + 1$, the result is sharp for the function given by (5.3).

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